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Rough'n Tumble with Joe O'Farrell in 1960
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by *Chris McGrath*

His final semester, University of Florida. An announcement on the PA, into the classroom. "Mike O'Farrell, please call home immediately."

His father has had a heart attack. He's not expected to make it. Mom says: "You need to get to Miami."

O'Farrell rushes to the hospital, is shown into the room. Dad with tubes in his nose and arms. Looks up, sees his son, and says: "You tell those sons-of-bitches that if they're looking for money, to look someplace else."

That was the first O'Farrell knew of the farm being in trouble. And the beginning of the precarious salvage operation that underpinned the consolidation of Ocala Stud from pioneer to benchmark; from risk-taking trailblazer, to the gold standard in the Florida bloodstock industry. **Cont. p3**

WESTS: STEWARDS GETTING FINAL SAY IN DERBY DQ IS 'VERY DEFINITION OF TYRANNY'

by *T.D. Thornton*

Court documents filed Monday by Gary and Mary West allege that giving the Churchill Downs stewards the final say in the controversial GI Kentucky Derby disqualification amounts to a "breathtaking and dangerous" concentration of power that is "the very definition of tyranny."

The Wests are also alleging that in the aftermath of the disputed GI Kentucky Derby disqualification, the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission (KHRC) failed to follow its own rules by not declaring Maximum Security (New Year's Day) and Country House (Lookin At Lucky) co-winners until the case got decided in a court of law. The Wests now want the purse money and trophy escrowed until the final outcome gets definitively adjudicated via the lawsuit they currently have pending.

"There is no reason for the Court not to immediately right this wrong by declaring Maximum Security to be co-winner of the Derby pending final adjudication of this case," the plaintiffs' attorneys wrote in the filing.

The Wests own Maximum Security, who crossed the finish wire first in the Derby but was disqualified from the victory for shifting out while leading on the far turn and causing crowding that almost triggered a clipping-of-heels accident. **Cont. p6**

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It's a date. Winx (Aus) will be covered by I Am Invincible (Aus) this season. The Yarraman Park resident, who stands for \$267,500 inc. GST, has recorded 28 stakes winners in 2018/19. | Bronwen Healy

ASMUSSEN SUED BY NY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Hall of Fame trainer Steve Asmussen has been sued by the Department of Labor for alleged violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 related to underpaying over 100 grooms and hotwalkers in New York. The news comes on the heels of trainer Chad Brown being fined \$1.6 million for similar violations.

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Ocala Stud Part 2 cont. from p1

Last week, O'Farrell's son David told TDN how the family's breed-to-breeze program, unique on this scale, evolved into the tried-and-trusted launchpad for a series of top-class stallions. Saint Ballado (Halo) started here off \$2,500 seasons; by the time of his death in Kentucky, he was up to \$150,000. Latest to play up his Florida winnings in the Bluegrass is Kantharos (Lion Heart), leaving behind several potential successors on a roster of 13. Back in 1971, however, the whole project came within an ace of extinction.

O'Farrell listened aghast as his father Joe explained how the vultures were circling.

The farm had been established 16 years previously by a group of wealthy men whose paths, from various parts of the country, had crossed in the winter sun at Hialeah. One of them knew Joe and his brother through their agricultural and automobile business in Maryland. He had heard about a 650-acre farm for sale in upstate Florida, and asked Joe to look it over. Middle of nowhere, no interstate. Within 24 hours, Joe had rung his wife. "Nancy, start packin'. We're moving to Florida." Just like that. And they were installed within a fortnight.

Joe was a showman, a salesman. Unable to afford the pedigrees to sell yearlings, he hit on the idea of auctioning 2-year-olds as ready-made runners, broken and galloped. From

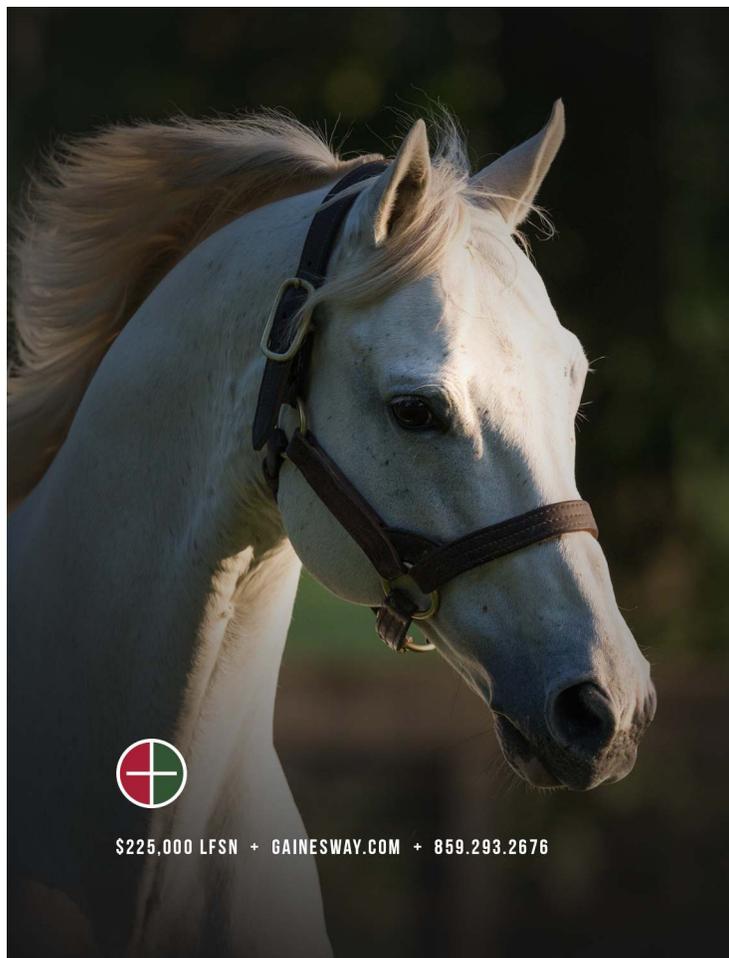
this seed, of course, a multi-million dollar market has since been nurtured by specialist pinhookers. But even then, as an apparent gimmick, Joe's sales gained sufficient traction to bed down Ocala Stud through its first decade or so. Meanwhile the farm raised 1961 Kentucky Derby winner Carry Back, and bred and sold 1965 co-Horse of the Year Roman Brother.

"My father, being young and full of energy, wanted to grow the business," O'Farrell explains. "Get better stallions, better mares, more mares. But one or two of the shareholders died, one or two weren't in great health. So they decided to sell to these two fellas from Wall Street. Florida had been getting a lot of press, since Needles won the Derby. But they borrowed a lot of money to buy the farm. And it turned out these fellas had an insurance policy on my father, that if he died, would bail them out! That's why he told me they could look someplace else for money. Because he wasn't dying."

As it was, with Joe off to recuperate in Panama, his son was sent out onto the burning deck. Days after returning to Ocala, O'Farrell took a call from the bank.

"Mike, we want you to have all the horses owned by farm in the barns tomorrow morning at 9:00. They're gonna ship out."

Next morning a dozen horsevans lined up in the lane. Most of the horses were sold locally, the best went up to Keeneland in November. **Cont. p4**



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There was still the stallion, Gun Flint. George Steinbrenner had retained 75 percent, the O'Farrells owned the rest. Now Steinbrenner called, too.

"Mike, I want you to ship that horse to Bonnie Heath Farm."

"But Mr. Steinbrenner, we're doing business, we're doing fine, we're taking care of the horse."

"Mike, unless you own over 50 percent of something, you have no control. I want him moved to Bonnie Heath."

"Yes, sir."

But one man stayed aboard the listing ship, and handed round some buckets: Herbert Allen. (One of his big investments had been the contraceptive pill and, well, the baby boom was over...) He sent them a son of Never Bend named Distinctive, and let them pay over three years. Same thing, when he decided to disperse his mares. A couple of those promptly turned out stakes winners.

"So that's really how we got going again," O'Farrell recalls.

"That, and my father's salesmanship. And I was working. I was young, scared, broke. And two weeks after that November Sale in Kentucky, I got married. Dead broke. But I was working. And we had some boarding business. And so--with the help of Herbert Allen, and this and that, and the grace of God--we made it."

But it was tight. Staff were laid off. The farm, by then over 1,000 acres, was sold. Fortunately the buyer, Roy Kennedy, proved another friend in deed: he financed the O'Farrells to retrieve the 185-acre core, incorporating the training track, the stallion barn, the stabling, the office. Gradually, year by year, they steadied the ship, patched the sails.

"I learned a lot of life's lessons in a short period of time," O'Farrell says. "I saw how people treated my father when he was up, and how people treated him when he was down. It was a very traumatic experience. But an invaluable lesson to me. Looking back on it, it was actually one of the best things that ever happened to our family. The good Lord was kind enough to give us a horse every now and then. And I learned from my father. A lot of good, some bad. But even the bad is good. Because that's how you learn."

By the time his father died, O'Farrell had been making his own reputation for 11 years, a tall, lean young man, full of honest endeavour. People were glad to carry on doing business here. People like Izzy Cohen, the supermarket magnate. He bought horses from the O'Farrells every year, notably the top-class juvenile Mighty Appealing, who then returned for his own stud career.

"We've been fortunate enough that whenever things really got tough, we always seemed to come up with a nice horse," O'Farrell says. "Whether it be a stallion, a broodmare, a racehorse, whatever. Or a good client. Things just clicked." **Cont. p5**



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And, to be fair, the family has throughout achieved a synergy with the whole Florida industry. They came here more or less as Needles won the Derby, when there were just four small farms in the neighborhood. And they brought with them from Maryland the state's first great patriarch, Rough'n Tumble.

"Wasn't like he wasn't a good horse, he won the Santa Anita Derby, but he didn't have any breeding," O'Farrell recalls. "He started out in Maryland for \$300, I think. But in his first crop down here he had My Dear Girl, who wound up champion 2-year-old filly. And then he had Dr. Fager, one of the best of all time. When we first came, the other farms all had one or two stallions. But at the end of the day, we had Rough'n Tumble--and they didn't."

Dr. Fager stayed in town, with Tartan Farms, but the other great stallion to put Florida on the Thoroughbred map, Mr. Prospector, set a lasting trend in his "promotion" to Kentucky.

"Saint Ballado wound up No. 1 stallion, having started down here in the fourth or fifth league," O'Farrell remarks. "People get upset about it, but it's just economics. There's a bigger pool of mares in Kentucky, and more people that can afford higher fees. That's just the way it is, and that's fine. I mean, Northern Dancer didn't start out in Kentucky. So it's everywhere. They gravitate. If you do well, you're going to Kentucky."

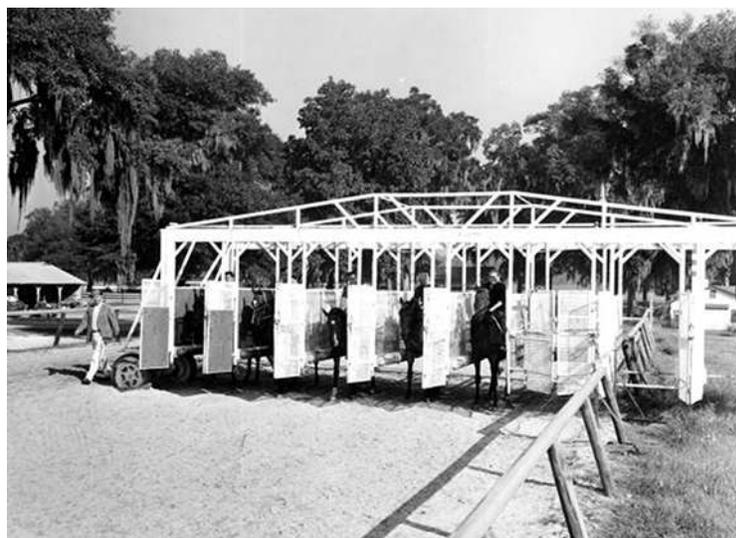
Over the years, however, O'Farrell has shown a consistent knack for spotting a stallion to outpunch his weight in the regional market. "A lot of it is gut feeling," he says with a shrug. "We get offered horses every year. You can't take them all. One guy called me three times about standing his horse. And he was a hell of a racehorse, no doubt about it, he could run. He couldn't believe that in Ocala, Florida, we were going to turn his horse down. But he had no pedigree at all. I mean, absolutely none, and my gut says he's not going to be successful with no bottom side.

"Every horse we take on, it's always because I think they can get runners. People say you can make money with this horse in three years. And I say: 'I don't care about generating money in three years. If they're not going to have runners five years from now, I don't want them.'

"We breed them, raise them, train them--and only then sell them. So they've got to have some ability. When we sell a 2-year-old, chances are we've still got a yearling, a weanling, a mare in foal. A bad stallion will break people quicker than anything in the business. Dayjur: top bloodlines, all the talent in the world, bred to the best. Couldn't miss. A horse like that crushes you. So the only way we'll take them is if we actually believe they can get runners."

His faith in the bottom half of a pedigree has enabled O'Farrell to launch a series of successful stallions by unfashionable sires. Remember, even Kantharos was by a sire who had just been banished to Turkey.

"We actually had Saint Ballado here as a yearling," O'Farrell reflects. "Full-brother to two champions [Glorious Song and Devil's Bag] and they'd bought him for [\$90,000]. Because of his conformation. He was straight in the pasterns, he toed out. And he was immature, light. But we had 150 or so in training, and he was the one horse that year, that if you saw him galloping, you'd say, 'Who's that?' Because he was smooth as silk. He had a lot of talent, and he had blood."



Gate Work at Ocala Stud in the 1960s
State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory

After the horse broke down in the Haskell, Clint Goodrich called. He wasn't getting anywhere in Kentucky. The tax laws had changed, the business was down. The owners had started out looking for \$750,000. Goodrich thought they might take \$400,000 now.

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“Clint, I tell you what,” O’Farrell replied. “My mother just died. I got no money. But if you let me stand him here in Florida, I’ll get you your \$400,000. Only it’s going to take me three years to do it.”

“Well, how you gonna do that?”

“I’m going to stand that son-of-a-bitch for \$2,500. Obviously his conformation’s not great. But with the way he’s bred, and his ability on the track, at that fee people will *have* to breed to him. And if he gets runners, with his pedigree, he’ll be worth a fortune.”

The farm veterinarian was one of the first to buy a season, and promptly bred Captain Bodgit, flying runner-up in both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness.

Then there was Florida’s four-time champion sire Montbrook, whose Ocala-bred dam was claimed back into the fold for just \$7,000 and bred to Buckaroo.

“He was so powerful,” O’Farrell recalls, patting the office bureau. “Ass as broad as this desk. And fast. Damned near set a track record, first time out. He could run the first half in 43-and-change, and they just couldn’t catch him. Unfortunately by then Izzy Cohen was in bad health, so I bought him out. Payable over three years—just like I’d learned from my father, way back. And he hit. So from a \$7,000 claim, we generated \$3 million dollars, maybe more.”

The key, for O’Farrell’s clients, is that he has never been just an opportunist; never just exploiting fast-buck market prejudices. Because of its unique business model, Ocala Stud can only “make” stallions if they “make” runners.

“People that bred to our horses over the years have made money, because they were priced right,” O’Farrell explains. “They had value. And I was always the kid. In 1971, I mean, hell, I was young. I was 24 years old. So I was thrown into the breach at an early age. But I always had energy. I was enthusiastic. And if people believe, they will breed. Horses have past performances, and so do we. People say: ‘If they’ve taken that horse, we’re in.’ That’s how it happens. But it didn’t start last week, or last year, or the year before. It started 50, 60 years ago.”

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West’s Court Battle cont. from p1

The 43-page document filed June 24 in United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (Lexington Division) is the Wests’ legal response to a June 8 “motion to dismiss” filed by the KHRC, et al, which asked a federal judge to dismiss the original suit on grounds that the litigation “fails to state a claim...upon which relief can be granted.”

On May 4, after a 22-minute-long foul claim decision played

out in dramatic fashion on national TV, the three stewards who officiated the Derby—chief state steward Barbara Borden, state steward Brooks “Butch” Becraft, and Churchill steward Tyler Picklesimer—decided that Maximum Security fouled Long Range Toddy (Take Charge Indy).

The decision to DQ a Derby winner for an in-race foul was the first in 145 runnings of America’s most important horse race, and the stewards demoted Maximum Security to 17th place. Country House, who crossed the wire second, was elevated to first and recognized as the official Derby winner.

After an appeal to the KHRC was disallowed on the grounds that the commission considers race DQs non-reviewable, the Wests took the matter to federal court. They are seeking the reversal of the DQ, plus reinstatement of the original order of finish “confirming that Maximum Security is the official winner of the Derby who remains undefeated.”

The legal meat of the June 24 filing aims to assert that the Wests do, indeed, have four separate Fourteenth Amendment due process violations that are cognizable as a matter of law.

A related argument set forth in the filing attempts to deconstruct the KHRC contention that a stewards’ DQ in Kentucky is “neither judicially reviewable under KRS 13B.150 nor reviewable by anybody, not now and not ever.”

The Wests’ are underscoring an alleged contradiction between the KHRC’s assertion that stewards’ DQ decisions are not subject to review by a higher authority by pointing out that Kentucky does, in fact, have a separate statute on the books that confers certain rights “pending final determination” of a disputed race “until the matter is finally adjudicated.”

The plaintiffs are arguing that Title 810 KAR 1:017, Section 5, “is the Commission Regulation applicable to situations in which, as here, the result of a race is ‘placed in dispute’ after the race is ‘Declared Official for Pari-mutuel Payoff.’”

That regulation states that “If the result of a race is placed in dispute by the lodging of an objection or complaint or by discovery of an alleged violation of an administrative regulation, after the race has been declared official for pari-mutuel payoff...The purse money and trophy to which the horse objected to may have been entitled shall be withheld and placed in escrow by the association until final adjudication of the dispute...”

Such a rule, the Wests are claiming, “obviously contemplates a final adjudication by a tribunal other than the Commission,” and that “the only forum that could provide final adjudication of the Order disqualifying Maximum Security is a court of law.”

A Monday email requesting comment sent to Carmine Iaccarino, the Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet lawyer listed as counsel for the defendants, did not yield a response prior to deadline for this story. **Cont. p7**

The Wests' latest court fling states that, "The proposition advanced throughout Defendants' brief that the Stewards are the only and final arbiters who can decide the fate of Maximum Security's owners' constitutional rights is at once both breathtaking and dangerous.

"Breathtaking in the sense that it runs contrary to the core principle...that unconstitutional acts by state actors, such as the actions alleged here, are judicially reviewable and, if found to violate the constitution, will be declared void.

"Dangerous in the sense that it empowers three unelected state actors, cloaked with the mantle of investigators, prosecutors and judges, to make unreviewable decisions of momentous importance without being held accountable to Plaintiffs...to the public, and indeed, to anybody ever."

The filing continues: "Concentrating such enormous power over others in the hands of a few state actors is the very definition of tyranny and is an anathema to the structure of our constitutional system of checks and balances."

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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According to a civil complaint filed June 7 in the Eastern District of New York, Asmussen and his KDE Equine LLC failed to pay overtime and keep adequate and accurate records. Labor Secretary Alex Acosta is "seeking back wages, liquidated damages, and other relief for employees who care for and assist training Thoroughbred horses" at Asmussen's stables at the three New York Racing Association tracks. Asmussen had previously been sued for similar complaints by the Department of Labor twice and settled both cases.

The news comes on the heels of trainer Chad Brown **being hit with over \$1 million in fines** for federal labor violations.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Parx Racing, \$58,780, Msw, 6-24, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53.74, ft. LULA'S ROADRUNNER (f, 2, Uptowncharlybrown--Be Bop a Lula, by Unbridled's Song), sent off at 7-2, rushed up to challenge Double Down Dare (Cross Traffic) on the lead through a quarter in :22.92 and a half in :47.03 and outbattled that foe down the lane to win by a neck. Favored Colby (Super Saver) was chasing the pacesetter along the rail down the backstretch and appeared to clip heels and dropped off the pace. She tipped out three wide at the top of the lane and was just touched out by Pink Caddy (El Padrino) for third. Be Bop a Lula produced fillies by Uptowncharlybrown in 2018 and 2019. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$37,800. O/B-Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC (PA); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr.

7th-Parx Racing, \$45,750, Msw, 6-24, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.37, ft. GLORY SONG (c, 3, Munnings--In My Glory {MGSP, \$181,490}, by Honour and Glory) opened his career with runner-up efforts going six furlongs at Laurel Mar. 23 and at Parx Apr. 28 and was a non-factor sixth at that distance at Pimlico May 18. The tepid 3-1 favorite broke sharply and was on the lead in the early strides. He briefly lost his advantage down the backstretch, but regained command on the turn and spurred clear en route to a 3 1/4-length victory. Star Fitzstall (Star Guitar) closed for second. Glory Song RNA'd for \$47,000 as a KEESEP yearling. His dam produced a filly by Verrazano last year and was bred back to Lord Nelson. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$46,400. O/B-Charles Lo (KY); T-Jamie Ness.

3rd-Parx Racing, \$40,500, (S), Msw, 6-24, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.15, ft. START MEEE (c, 3, Jump Start--Play With Me {SP}, by Grand Slam), the 6-5 favorite, rushed up along the rail to challenge for the lead down the backstretch. He took charge entering the far turn and powered clear down the lane to win by six lengths. Fleet Tweet (Take Charge Indy) was second. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. O-NYKY Thoroughbred Stable; B-NYKY Thoroughbreds (PA); T-Mark J. Reid.

1st-Thistledown, \$30,500, Msw, 6-24, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.24, ft. LIBERATE (g, 2, Gemologist--Southern Silence, by Dixie Union), half of the 8-5 favored entry, jumped out to the early lead and set all the pace before romping home a 17 1/4-length winner. Muy Caro (Fed Biz) was second. Southern Silence produced a filly by Daredevil in 2018 and a colt by Speightster this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,500. O/B-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC & WinStar Farm, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.



IN JAPAN:
Maquis, c, 3, Pioneerof the Nile--Life Well Lived, by Tiznow. Tokyo, 6-22, Maiden (\$89k), 8f, 1:39.4. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-1, \$132,243. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Takahisa Tezuka. *1/2 to Muqtaser (Distorted Humor), MGSP, \$303,605; American Patriot (War Front), GISW, \$487,272; and Well Humored (Distorted Humor), SW. **\$350,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.



Tiger Kit, c, 3, Lucky Pulpit--Kitra, by Woodman. Hakodate, 6-22, Maiden (\$89k), 5f, 1:00.1. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-1, \$132,243. O-Nasuno Farm; B-Budget Stable (CA); T-Shoichiro Wada. *\$25,000 Ylg '17 BARAUG; \$75,000 2yo '18 BARAPR.
Swing Beat, c, 3, Tapit--Backseat Rhythm (GISW, \$842,195), by El Corredor. Tokyo, 6-23, Allowance (\$327k), 8f, 1:35. Lifetime Record: 13-4-2-2, \$677,664. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm (KY); T-Yukihiko Kato.

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Uri, c, 3, **Alternation**--My Favorite Tune, by Maria's Mon. Seoul, 6-22, Hcp. (\$52k), 1700m. B-William D Fishback (KY). *\$20,000 Ylg '17 KJEESEP; \$65,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

Star Road, c, 3, **Bernardini**--Fanfare, by Curlin. Busan, 6-23, Hcp. (\$52k), 1600m. B-H & L Partners - 2013 (KY). *\$50,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

Spring Back, g, 3, **Gemologist**--Frangible, by Broken Vow. Seoul, 6-22, Hcp. (\$78k), 1200m. B-WinStar Farm LLC, Burden Creek Farm & Clifton Farm LLC (KY). *\$140,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$90,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.



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Heungbok Dream, g, 3, **Verrazano**--Candy Cat Can, by Langfuhr. Seoul, 6-23, Hcp. (\$95k), 1800m. B-Morera Breeding & Racing LLC (KY). *\$40,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$40,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

Baengmunbaekdap, g, 4, **Tapizar**--Shining Victory, by Victory Gallop. Busan, 6-23, Hcp. (\$95k), 1200m. B-Judy B Hicks (KY). *1/2 to Majestic Presence (Majestic Warrior), MSP, \$227,896; and Victress (Include), GSW, \$209,603. **\$80,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '17 OBSMAR.

IN PERU:

Carta De Amor, f, 3, **Union Rags**--Puxa Saco (GSW & GISP, \$400,575), by Dehere. Monterrico, 6-20, Cond., 1000m. B-Alastar Thoroughbred Co LLC (KY). *1/2 to Exclusive Diva (Bernardini), MSW, \$199,343. **\$15,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$23,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR. **VIDEO**



IN RUSSIA:

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Tommy Lee Bars, c, 2, **Tonalist**--So Very Happy, by Elusive Quality. Krasnodar, 6-22, Listed Stakes (NBT), 1400m. B-Cobra Farm & Suzanne Biszantz (KY). *First winner for freshman sire (by Tapit). **\$40,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$85,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP.



Sotie Uno T N, f, 3, **Macho Uno**--Smoke Rise, by Buddha. Kazan, 6-23, Allowance, 2000m. B-Double O Bloodstock (KY).

*Remained undefeated in three starts. **\$35,000 Ylg '17 KEEJAN; \$22,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

Dream Charger, f, 3, **Will Take Charge**--RichiegirIgonewild (GSW, \$105,924), by Wildcat Heir. Krasnodar, 6-22, Krasnodar Oaks (NBT), 2400m. B-Doug & Felicia Branham (KY). *Now a seven-time winner from eight trips to the post. **1/2 to Super Allison (Super Saver), SW, \$157,043. ***\$50,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP.



IN SOUTH KOREA:

Go Go Bi, f, 3, **To Honor and Serve**--J's Hot Shot Lady, by Badge of Silver. Seoul, 6-23, Hcp. (\$52k), 1200m. B-Arika Everatt-Meeuse & Tim Meeuse (ON). *\$12,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.



IN SOUTH KOREA:

Daegun Power (Kor), g, 3, **The Factor**--Calamba (Aus), by Bernardini. Seoul, 6-22, Hcp. (\$35k), 1300m. B-Yoo Jae Pil. *A\$22,000 in utero '16 INGMAY.

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STAKES RESULTS:

ONTARIO COUNTY S., \$50,000, Finger Lakes, 6-24, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:11.80, ft.

1--**HOT DIGGITY**, 116, g, 3, **Frost Giant--Hot Splash (SP, \$230,267)**, by **Sunriver**. **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Hobby Horse Stables LLC; B-Hobby Horse Stables LLC & John P. Hicks (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart; J-Reylu Gutierrez. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$73,650.

2--**Freudme**, 120, c, 3, **Freud--Nobody But Me**, by Trust N Luck. (\$11,000 Wlg '16 FTNMIX). O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Blue Devil Racing, LLC (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart. \$10,000.

3--**Empiremeister**, 118, g, 3, **Bodemeister--Raise Up**, by Henrythenavigator. (\$27,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEEJAN; \$14,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTKOCT; \$9,000 2yo '18 EASMAY). O-Kevin Moore & Allen Myers; B-Kingsport Farm LLC, Hidden Lake Farm LLC & David Campbell (NY); T-Amber Cobb. \$5,000.

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LANE'S END DANNY SHIFFLETT SCHOLARSHIP S., \$50,000, Lone Star, 6-23, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2ft, 1:28.44, fm.

1--**CORLUNA**, 118, f, 4, **Unbridled's Heart--Red Moon Cat**, by **Malibu Moon**. **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Ian Yarnot (TX); T-Sarah Delany; J-Richard E. Eramia. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 19-6-3-0, \$92,024.

2--**Shes Our Fastest**, 122, f, 4, **Oratory--Dawali**, by Festival of Light. (\$14,000 Ylg '16 TTAMIX; \$50,000 2yo '17 OBSOPN). O-Mark Norman & Norman Stables LLC; B-Eureka Thoroughbred Farm (TX); T-Scott Gelner. \$10,000.

3--**Discreet Smile**, 116, f, 3, **Discreet Cat--Smiles Golden Song**, by My Golden Song. O/B-Sylvia Baird (TX); T-L Stroope. \$5,500. Margins: NK, 1 3/4, HF. Odds: 4.70, 2.90, 5.50.

WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATORS S., \$50,000, Emerald Downs, 6-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.04, ft.

1--**BEST OF ME**, 119, f, 4, **Super Saver--Lemon Gin**, by **First Samurai**. (\$50,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Todd & Shawn Hansen; B-John D. Gunther (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright; J-Franklin Ceballos. \$26,400. Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-1, \$136,130.

2--**Bella Mia**, 119, f, 4, **Harbor the Gold--Bella Campana**, by Slewdledo. O-Maryanski, John and Janene; B-William T. Griffin (WA); T-Blaine D. Wright. \$9,600.

3--**Dontkissntell**, 119, f, 4, **Rosberg--Low Key Affair**, by Vying Victor. O-Darlyne & Karl Krieg; B-Wendy Kruger (BC); T-Tom Wenzel. \$7,200.

Margins: 3, NK, 1HF. Odds: 2.30, 2.80, 2.90.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Parx Racing, \$58,540, 6-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:26.55, ft.

GRAZEN HONOR (f, 4, Grazen--Honored Gold {SP, \$160,485}, by Double Honor) Lifetime Record: 24-4-2-5, \$168,868. O-CM Racing; B-Gordon Mitchnich (PA); T-Robert Mosco. *Full to Rocko's Wheel, SP, \$227,449.

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1st-Delaware, \$41,070, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 5ft, :57.85, gd.

MISS DEPLORABLE (f, 4, Big Drama--Usual Manner {MSP, \$128,043}, by Double Honor) Lifetime Record: SW, 9-3-1-0, \$94,475. O-Six SandBaggers Stables; B-Sorrento Oaks Farm Inc (FL); T-Baltazar Galvan.

7th-Delaware, \$38,375, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70yT, 1:43.49, gd.

RAINING LEMONS (m, 5, Lemon Drop Kid--Aunt Henny {GSW, \$251,351}, by Hennessy) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-3, \$103,205. O/B-Edith R. Dixon (KY); T-Michael R. Matz.

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8th-Pleasanton, \$36,114, 6-23, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.88, ft.

EMPRESSIVE CAT (f, 3, Peppered Cat--Edamame {SP, \$193,687}, by Bold Executive) Lifetime Record: 8-3-3-1, \$88,002. O-G C C I; B-Neale Jensen (CA); T-Clifford Delima. *\$14,000 Ylg '17 NCAAUG.

7th-Thistledown, \$31,800, (S), 6-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.46, ft.

GALACTIC (g, 3, Gemologist--Spring Water, by Spring At Last) Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-0, \$63,080. O/B-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC & WinStar Farm, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.



2nd-Parx Racing, \$30,990, Wcl (NW3L)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.88, ft.

SWEET TURN (m, 5, Orientate--Pacific Island, by Grand Slam) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$98,362. O-Jane E. White; B-Elizabeth B. Barr & The Stallion Company (PA); T-Donald R. White.

2nd-Louisiana Downs, \$23,000, (S), 6-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18.29, ft.

TRICKY CREED (f, 4, Jimmy Creed--Tricky Indy, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 20-2-6-3, \$87,950. O/B-Indian Creek Thoroughbred Farm LLC (LA); T-Phillip Mark Dison. *1/2 to Straight Fire (Dominus), MGISP, \$146,400.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Starring John Wain, c, 3, **Kafwain**--Star Vesta, by Master Command. Pleasanton, 6-23, 6f, 1:12.99. B-George Todaro, Jerry Hollendorfer & Mark Randall (CA).

Z Red Rocket, f, 4, **Dublin**--Prettidancer, by Citidancer. Thistledown, 6-24, 6f, 1:13.40. B-Donna Lee Sammons & Michael McPoland (NY). *\$1,000 RNA Wlg '15 FTNMIX; \$1,200 RNA Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

Bourbon Boy, g, 4, **Street Sense**--Bourbonstreetgirl (MGSP), by Langfuhr. Finger Lakes, 6-24, 1m 70y, 1:45.36. B-Twin Farms, LLC, Thomas N Mina & Walter S Borisenok (KY).



BIG DRAMA, Miss Deplorable, f, 4, o/o Usual Manner, by Double Honor. AOC, 6-24, Delaware

DUBLIN, Z Red Rocket, f, 4, o/o Prettidancer, by Citidancer. MSW, 6-24, Thistledown

FROST GIANT, Hot Diggitty, g, 3, o/o Hot Splash, by Sunriver. Ontario County S., 6-24, Finger Lakes

GEMOLOGIST, Galactic, g, 3, o/o Spring Water, by Spring At Last. ALW, 6-24, Thistledown

GEMOLOGIST, Liberate, g, 2, o/o Southern Silence, by Dixie Union. MSW, 6-24, Thistledown

GRAZEN, Grazen Honor, f, 4, o/o Honored Gold, by Double Honor. ALW, 6-24, Parx Racing

JIMMY CREED, Tricky Creed, f, 4, o/o Tricky Indy, by A.P. Indy. ALW, 6-24, Louisiana Downs

JUMP START, Start Meee, c, 3, o/o Play With Me, by Grand Slam. MSW, 6-24, Parx Racing

LEMON DROP KID, Raining Lemons, m, 5, o/o Aunt Henny, by Hennessy. AOC, 6-24, Delaware

MUNNINGS, Glory Song, c, 3, o/o In My Glory, by Honour and Glory. MSW, 6-24, Parx Racing

ORIENTATE, Sweet Turn, m, 5, o/o Pacific Island, by Grand Slam. WCL, 6-24, Parx Racing

PEPPERED CAT, Empressive Cat, f, 3, o/o Edamame, by Bold Executive. ALW, 6-23, Pleasanton

STREET SENSE, Bourbon Boy, g, 4, o/o Bourbonstreetgirl, by Langfuhr. MSW, 6-24, Finger Lakes

SUPER SAVER, Best of Me, f, 4, o/o Lemon Gin, by First Samurai. Washington State Legislators S., 6-23, Emerald Downs

UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN, Lula's Roadrunner, f, 2, o/o Be Bop a Lula, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 6-24, Parx Racing

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: STRADIVARIUS



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By Andrew Caulfield

It was Shamardal who took the honours as the top stallion at Royal Ascot, with his four successes, and while I have no desire to detract from the achievements of a stallion who has already been featured twice in this column this year following the successes of Blue Point (Ire) and Skardu (Ire), I would point out that Shamardal had only one group winner at the Royal Meeting, albeit the outstanding dual winner Blue Point.

Sea The Stars (Ire), on the other hand, was the only stallion responsible for three individual group winners, with Stradivarius's heart-warming repeat victory in the G1 Gold Cup being preceded by Crystal Ocean (Ire)'s breakthrough success in the G1 Prince of Wales's S. and Star Catcher (GB)'s defeat of the Oaks third Fleeting (Ire) in the G2 Ribblesdale S. Even Sea The Stars's half-brother Galileo (Ire) couldn't quite match that treble, failing to add to the wins of Circus Maximus (Ire) and Japan (GB).

Incidentally, Galileo was also outpointed by his arch rival Pivotal (GB) in the role of broodmare sire, with Pivotal's daughters claiming three group successes, thanks to Raffle Prize (Ire), Advertise (GB) and Defoe (Ire), compared to Galileo's two, via Watch Me (Fr) and Space Traveller (GB).

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BLUE POINT RETIRED FROM RACING

Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal--Scarlett Rose {GB}, by Royal Applause {GB}), who last week recorded a historic double when taking the G1 King's Stand S. and G1 Diamond Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot, has been retired from racing ahead of a stud career with Darley next year.

"Blue Point has had a fantastic week and has managed to succeed where many horses have failed in completing this extraordinary double," said trainer Charlie Appleby. "His Highness Sheikh Mohammed was very much the instigator behind going for the challenge and was delighted when he won as he had been planning this for some time.

"Blue Point is sound and well, but owes us nothing so we will retire him on a high. He will now enjoy a break over the summer and will then begin his new career at stud."

In completing the Royal Ascot Group 1 sprinting double, Blue Point became the first European-trained horse in almost 100 years to accomplish that feat, and one of only a handful of horses ever to do so.

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Blue Point winning the Diamond Jubilee | Racing Post

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



Stradivarius has now won nine of his 11 starts over a mile and three-quarters or more, including six of his seven starts over two miles and beyond. After he had won over a mile as a 2-year-old, Timeform suggested that Stradivarius "will be suited by 1 1/4m+," but who could have suspected that this Newcastle maiden winner would develop into such an exceptional long-distance performer? I think it is fair to say that virtually no modern-day flat horses are bred with extreme distances in mind, but fortunately the dormant stamina lurking in pedigrees occasionally reawakens to stunning effect, as Stradivarius has demonstrated so admirably. The bare facts of his pedigree are that his sire Sea The Stars-- who was fast enough to win the 2,000 Guineas--was never asked to tackle more than a mile and a half, and his dam, Private Life (Fr), won over a mile and 1 3/8 miles before earning black-type over an extended mile and a half. Private Life's dam Pough-keepsie (Ire) raced only over a mile and a quarter, winning once at Evry, and none of Stradivarius's other grand-parents--the miler Cape Cross (Ire) and the major 1 1/2-mile winners Urban Sea and Bering (GB)--was ever tried beyond a mile and a half.

So what are the likely sources of Stradivarius's ability to shine over two and a half miles? The prime suspect has to be Sadler's Wells, the sire of his second dam Poughkeepsie. Although the 14-time champion sire never won beyond a mile and a quarter in a career which featured victories in the Irish 2000 Guineas, the Eclipse and the Irish Champion S., that didn't stop his progeny establishing an average winning distance of 11.4 furlongs (compared to the 11.2 furlongs of his son Galileo and the 11.2 furlongs of Galileo's half-brother Sea The Stars).



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Needless to say, the finest stayers by Sadler's Wells included the multiple Gold Cup winners Yeats (Ire) and Kayf Tara (GB) and the Doncaster Cup winners Septimus (Ire) and Saddler's Rock (Ire).

There is also stamina to be found in the bottom half of the pedigrees of both of Stradivarius's parents. Sea The Stars's second dam, Allegretta, was by Lombard (GB), whose wins included the Deutsches St Leger, and his third dam, Anatevka, was by Espresso, who stayed a mile and three-quarters very well. Espresso was by Acropolis, whose brother Alycidon won the Gold Cup and sired a winner of the Gold Cup in Twilight Alley.

Stradivarius has a very distinguished third dam in Pawneese (GB), who won the Oaks by five lengths before inflicting the first defeat on the classic-winning Riverqueen (Fr) in the Prix de Diane. Pawneese then took on the males in the King George and put up a remarkable display of front-running to win again, in the process proving herself Europe's champion 3-year-old filly of 1976. Brilliant though she was at her best, Pawneese had a comparatively undistinguished sire in Carvin. A winner of the Criterium de Saint-Cloud over a mile and a quarter as a 2-year-old and third in the Prix du Jockey-Club, Carvin later reached the frame in a pair of important 15-furlong races, the Grand Prix de Paris and the Prix Royal-Oak.

Pawneese's broodmare sire, Le Haar, sired Ramsin, winner of the Prix du Cadran over the same distance as the Gold Cup.

Although Pawneese proved a major disappointment as a broodmare for Daniel Wildenstein, her Sadler's Wells filly Poughkeepsie made some amends. In addition to Stradivarius's dam, she produced the listed winner Parisienne, who ranks as the second dam of the Melbourne Cup and Grosser Preis von Berlin winner Protectionist (Ger). Stradivarius is the third very useful performer to have represented Private Life. Her Monsun (Ger) gelding Persian Storm (Ger) was a dual Group 3 winner over a mile and a quarter in Germany, while her Peintre Celebre gelding Rembrandt Van Rijn (Ire) stayed at least a mile and three-quarters in the UAE. In assessing Sea The Stars's Royal Ascot treble, it is worth reminding everyone that Stradivarius and Crystal Ocean are both members of his fourth crop, which contained only 74 foals. Crystal Ocean and Stradivarius were separated by only a short head when second and third behind Capri (Ire) in the 2017 St Leger, but Crystal Ocean has been busily emphasising both his class and versatility, with two of his 2019 successes coming over a mile and a quarter.

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Pedigree Insights cont.

Fortunately, Sea The Stars has received much more consistent support since the likes of Taghrooda (GB) and Sea The Moon (Ger) did so well for him at Classic level in 2014, and his Ribblesdale winner Star Catcher comes from a 2016 crop of 136. The 2018 Return of Mares credits the Gilltown star as having covered more than 160 mares in both the 2017 and 2018 seasons, so be prepared for plenty more Royal Ascot winners for Sea The Stars in years to come.

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DASHING DELIGHT FOR THE MARISCOTTIS

By Emma Berry

It may not have felt like a flaming June as Dashing Willoughby (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) ground his way through the mud at Royal Ascot to win the G2 Queen's Vase last Wednesday, but for his delighted owners Mick and Janice Mariscotti, it was the continuation of a red-hot run which also included a trip to the winner's enclosure at Epsom on Derby day. For Epsom-born Mick Mariscotti, who combines his love of horseracing with being a Tottenham Hotspur fan, the only blot on an otherwise successful summer was choosing to watch his football team in the Champions League final over cheering home Le Don De Vie (GB) (Leroideasanimaux {Brz}) at what was once his local track.

"I was in Madrid watching my team not win the Champions League final," he said with a grin at Ascot on Saturday as the equine celebrations continued. "It was a massive mistake, but fortunately Janice was at Epsom with a group of our friends and they had an absolutely fantastic day."



Mick and Janice Mariscotti flank Andrew Balding after Dashing Willoughby's Royal Ascot win | [racingfotos](#)

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"I did manage to see the race on the plane while sitting on the tarmac before we took off, so I left Madrid in a better mood than I would have done otherwise."

The 3-year-old winner of the Investec Private Banking Handicap on Derby day, trained, like Dashing Willoughby, by Andrew Balding, won twice at Epsom this year before becoming one of the stars of the Goffs London Sale on the Monday before Royal Ascot when being sold to Aziz Kheir as a potential Melbourne Cup prospect for £460,000. It was a handsome return on his 50,000gns yearling price at Tattersalls, where he was bought from his breeder Kirsten Rausing's Staffordstown Stud. Like many owners, the Mariscottis must weigh up each year which horses to keep, and which must be sold on. Their strategy of aiming for more middle-distance types means that often there is good residual value in a progressive 3-year-old and it had worked out in very similar fashion just two years earlier with Drochaid (GB) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), a 40,000gns yearling and winner of a Tattersalls Book 1 Bonus who landed the same race on Derby day and was later sold privately to Godolphin.

"I was born and brought up in Epsom so winning the Derby would be an absolute dream, but we are realistic enough to know that we are probably not going to be able to buy something that might be capable of doing that," Mariscotti explained. "But we aim for horses that are that sort of type and what you end up getting is something that probably gets that trip and a bit more."

Indeed, this is exactly what the Buckinghamshire-based couple has ended up with in Dashing Willoughby, who continued a fine season for his Oaks-winning breeder, Meon Valley Stud.

"We have had a few sprinters but typically we go for that middle-distance type, usually bought relatively modestly. Dashing Willoughby was bought in Book 1 for 70,000gns and that's about our target price," he continued. "We rely totally on Andrew and Emma Balding and Tess Hetherington to keep us on the straight and narrow in terms of choosing the individual, as long as we like the horse as well. We absolutely love getting involved at the sales. We rely on the experts to sift out the ones that aren't right for us but we go and see everything that they tell us they are vaguely interested in and we have loads of them vetted, then we collectively decide how much we should spend on a certain horse. Janice and I get really involved in the process and if we don't like a horse we will say so."

Success at Epsom has not been restricted solely to the aforementioned handicap winners as the couple also previously owned Goldoni (Ire) (Dylan Thomas {Ire}), winner of the Investec Derby Trial in 2012 but unable to run in the 'big one' owing to the fact that he had already been relieved of two vital parts of his anatomy.

He later continued his career in Australia with David Hayes and a similar path may now lie ahead for Le Don De Vie, who has been switched to the stable of Hughie Morrison, trainer of last year's Melbourne Cup runner-up Marmelo (GB) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}).

"It was a really difficult decision to sell Le Don De Vie and one that Janice in particular wasn't totally on board with, but the rationale is that it's what we do to keep the show going on, because we all know that buying and keeping racehorse is an expensive business," said Mariscotti. "So if we're in the lucky position of having two good horses we probably will always want to sell one of them and keep one of them. We felt on balance that right now Dashing Willoughby is higher-rated and likely to be higher-rated in the shorter term than Le Don De Vie.

Maybe if the races have been the other way round it would have been different but it would have been unusual for us to keep two top-quality horses as we need the funds coming in for next year. Le Don De Vie's sale will pay for another two years for us."

He added, "Maybe I'll look back and think it wasn't the right thing to do but we've had our first Group winner and our first Royal Ascot winner and right now it feels absolutely fantastic. I can't really describe how exciting it was. What was really pleasing for us, and for Andrew as well, is that we targeted that race right back from last year. Dashing Willoughby ran really well in the Haynes, Hanson & Clark Conditions race at Newbury and at that point Andrew said he thought that the Queen's Vase would be the race for him."

As anyone involved with racehorses will know, long-term planning does not always pan out as intended, and indeed there was an eleventh-hour scare for Dashing Willoughby, when he was found to be lame on the Saturday morning before Royal Ascot.



Mick and Janice Mariscotti with Emma and Andrew Balding at Tattersalls | Tattersalls

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"I must say a massive thank you to the staff at Kingsclere, not just for training and looking after Dashing Willoughby but also for getting him to the race. Leanne Masterton was getting married that day so lots of people from the yard we're going to the wedding, but Kevin Hunt stayed behind and he spent all of Saturday night packing and dressing the foot and looking after the horse. By Sunday morning, Andrew rang me and said that he thought he was going to be sound in time. I am so grateful to everyone there, particularly Kevin and Angie, who was with him at the races on the day," said Mariscotti.

With a Group 2 victory now in the book, the owners can start to dream about future big-race targets for their star, who may well chart a similar course to dual Ascot Gold Cup hero Stradivarius (Ire) in his 3-year-old season. The G1 Qatar Goodwood Cup is under consideration, perhaps followed by a tilt at Classic glory in the St Leger, while an entry for the Melbourne Cup has also been tentatively made by his trainer.

"The great thing is there are lots of nice options," said Mariscotti, who admitted that he and Janice have not been tempted by the breeding business. "We've decided that it's expensive enough owning racehorses. Breeding them as well just brings a whole bunch of headaches, and also that's not our background. It is difficult enough to buy a good one and I've been advised by friends of mine in breeding not to do it." Judging by the success of the couple's yearling purchases with the Balding team, this sounds like eminently sensible advice.

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Blue Point Retired From Racing cont. from p1

Bred by Oak Lodge Bloodstock, Blue Point was bought by **Kate and Matthew Sigsworth** under the Ebor Bloodstock banner at Tattersalls December in 2011 for 110,000gns. He was pinhooked at Book 1 the following autumn for 200,000gns when bought by John Ferguson on behalf of Godolphin. Blue Point immediately displayed his talent at two, winning first out at Nottingham before taking a Doncaster novice race by 11 lengths, which earned him 'TDN Rising Star' status. He would take the G2 Gimcrack S. and place in both the G1 Middle Park S. and G1 Dewhurst S. before the season was out.

Starting out in Ascot's G3 Pavilion S. at three, Blue Point bested the subsequent champion sprinter Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) before checking in third behind Caravaggio (Scat Daddy) in his first Royal Ascot appearance in the G1 Commonwealth Cup. The bay would get his redemption the following year when besting Battaash (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}) in the King's Stand, and while he went winless in two more tries last summer he more than made up for it this season with five consecutive wins. He swept a pair of preps at Meydan before taking the G1 Al Quoz Sprint, and recorded a pair of career-best efforts last week at Royal Ascot.

"He will be missed by everyone in the yard, and I would like to thank the entire team at Moulton Paddocks, without whom none of this would have been possible," Appleby said. "Blue Point has a fantastic mind, is a natural athlete and was a pleasure to train. I have every confidence he will, like his sire Shamardal, be a huge success as a stallion."

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JULY CUP NEXT FOR ADVERTISE; MEADE GETS HOUTZEN

Last week's G1 Commonwealth Cup winner **Advertise (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}) will likely tackle older horses in the G1 July Cup on July 13 before further Group 1 tests in France later this season.

"I think the vague idea at the moment is to think about the July Cup--then the Prix Maurice de Gheest over 6 1/2 furlongs looks tailor-made for him, absolutely up his street," said trainer Martyn Meade. "Then we'd like to end up in the [G1 Prix de la] Foret over seven. That's what we're thinking at the moment-- I don't think he'll go back to a mile."



Advertise winning the Commonwealth Cup | *Racing Post*

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Advertise, who was never out of the top two last year and won the G1 Phoenix S., was bouncing back off a lacklustre effort when 15th in the G1 2000 Guineas.

"As a Group 1 winner at two and three, he's already booked his next career," Meade added. "Whatever he does now is a bonus."

Meade has added another high-profile sprinter to his stable, with **Houtzen (Aus)** (I Am Invincible {Aus}) transferred from Toby Edmonds for the remainder of the season. Meade said she is likely to target the G2 King George S. at Goodwood on Aug 2.

"She's a nice one to get. We've trained for the owners before, so she's going to come here for the rest of this season," said Meade. "I think we'll stick to five--the good sprint at Goodwood will be the plan. I'll just have to assess how she is and see how she adapts to her new surroundings and then make a plan.

Houtzen blew all chance last week in the King's Stand after stumbling leaving the stalls.

"It was unfortunate what happened in the King's Stand. It was a long way to come for that to happen and over five furlongs, you simply can't afford anything like that. It was so frustrating, of all the things. We're very pleased to get her and hopefully she can put her best foot forward."

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CANNOCK CHASE TO BE SOLD BY DEVON AUCTION HOUSE

By Emma Berry

Cannock Chase (Lemon Drop Kid), winner of the 2015 G1 Pattison Canadian International and a half-brother to last week's G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Star Catcher (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), is set to be sold through Devon-based livestock auctioneers Kivells along with another 20 horses owned by Killashee House Ltd., which has been placed in administration.

The 8-year-old stallion, bred by Anthony Oppenheimer's Hascombe & Valiant Studs, and himself a winner at Royal Ascot in 2014 for owner Saeed Suhail and Sir Michael Stoute, has been removed from Worsall Grange Stud in North Yorkshire where he has stood for the last two seasons. He will be sold by private treaty next week. Interested parties will be able to inspect him in his current temporary location, which cannot be disclosed by the administrators until Wednesday.

On Tuesday, a mixture of 20 broodmares, 2-year-olds and yearlings will go under the hammer at the Exeter Livestock Centre. The dispersal sale will begin with an auction of tack at 10:30 a.m. followed by the young stock and then broodmares. Among the horses to be sold are six yearling fillies and five yearling colts by Cannock Chase, as well as a 2-year-old colt by Sidestep (Aus) and a 2-year-old Finjaan (GB) filly.



Cannock Chase | *Racing Post*

The young stock will be sold in pens rather than through the ring. James Morrish, an auctioneer for Kivells who is overseeing the sale, told *TDN* on Monday, "The horses are on their way to Exeter from Yorkshire now. I have taken advice from lots of good people, to include Weatherbys and the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association. We are not Goffs or Tattersalls. We are trying our very best but at the end of the day, horses will still be sold in a livestock centre. However, we are ensuring that the young stock won't be able to put legs out through the pens and won't slip. They will be in deep straw and a highly respected vet has seen them as they have gone on to the lorries this morning and another vet will be waiting for them to arrive in Exeter. My instructions from the administrators, Moorfields, are that welfare has to be of the highest priority."

He continued, "The stallion was picked up by an independent haulier yesterday and has gone to a private yard in the Midlands, and from Wednesday he will be able to be inspected by appointment. Anyone who wishes to do that should contact me. The completion date of that exercise is Friday, 5 July. People can go to see him and then bid me a price. Again, Moorfields are very conscious that they want Cannock Chase to go to the right home, and they would not want him to be knowingly purchased and then put into a sale again. I've had a lot of advice from very helpful Thoroughbred stud owners from all over the country."

Morrish was keen to stress that all the horses who will be offered for sale have been well looked after at Worsall Grange Stud. He added, "There have been no welfare problems on the farm whatsoever. There are other horses still there and I can reassure everybody that all the horses I saw were in very good order, with lots of food and lots of grass. Those who were in stables were in clean boxes and the staff there are doing a super job."

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Cannock Chase to be Sold cont.

The company directors of Killashee House Ltd. are listed as Kahlil de Burca and Lucy Horner, neither of whom could be reached for comment on Monday. Horner has been stud manager at Worsall Grange Stud, which is also listed as standing the stallions Dylan Mouth (Ire) and Peace Envoy. St Leger winner Millenary (GB) returned to Nunstainton Stud last year.

Full details of Tuesday's auction can be found [here](#).

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DERBY FESTIVAL HOLDS MEET THE LEGENDS

The Kildare Derby Festival will stage a Meet The Legends Night on June 25 at the Silken Thomas in Kildare Town. At a cost of €10, guests can spend the evening hearing from Irish racing legends John Oxx, Johnny Murtagh, Dermot Weld, Christy Roche, Pat Smullen and Seamus Heffernan. MC for the evening will be Dessie Scahill. Proceeds from the evening will go to the Injured Jockeys Fund and the Trainers Benevolent Fund.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

6.35 Newbury, Novice, £7,400, 2yo, f, 7ft

STAR SPIRIT (GB) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) is the first foal out of the G1 Prix de Diane heroine Star of Seville (GB) (Duke of Marmalade {Ire}) and debuts for the same Lady Bamford-John Gosden partnership. A May foal, she takes on another newcomer of note in Triermore Stud and Peter Stanley's **Onassis (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a Charlie Fellowes-trained daughter of the disqualified G1 1000 Guineas heroine Jacqueline Quest (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) which makes her a half-sister to last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner Line of Duty (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

FRANCE

Outstrip (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Dalham Hall Stud 106 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner 5-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1100m, ABAN (Ire) €5,800 Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; €6,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2018; €6,000 BBAG October Mixed Sale 2018

UNITED KINGDOM

Cable Bay (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Highclere Stud 114 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners 17:30-NEWBURY, 6f, CARMEL (GB) 4,000gns Tattersalls February Sale 2018 18:05-NEWBURY, 6f, CHROMIUM (GB) 6,191gns RNA Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018; £3,500 Goffs UK Autumn HIT & Yearling Sale 2018 17:30-NEWBURY, 6f, THE RED WITCH (GB) 6,500gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

Free Eagle (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Irish National Stud 87 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 17:30-NEWBURY, 6f, HOLLYWOOD WALTZ (GB) 1,500gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 4

Golden Horn (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud 98 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 18:35-NEWBURY, 7f, GOLDEN LIPS (Ire) 80,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 1

Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud 166 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners 17:30-NEWBURY, 6f, OCASIO CORTEZ (Ire) €20,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2018 17:30-NEWBURY, 6f, RICH GIRL (Ire) 14,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 1,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

Ivawood (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}), Coolmore Stud 100 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 14:00-BEVERLEY, 7.5f, BREGUET MAN (Ire) €7,500 Goffs November Foals Sale 2017; 14,500gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

Mustajeeb (GB) (Nayef), Haras de Fleury 23 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 18:05-NEWBURY, 6f, INTIMATE MOMENT (GB) 10,000gns Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Sept. Yearling Sale 2018



Golden Horn (GB) | Darley

First-Season Sires cont.

Night of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
108 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
14:45-BRIGHTON, 6f, BREDEBURY (Ire)
11,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

BRITAIN**Monday's Results:**

2nd-Royal Windsor, £5,800, Mdn, 6-24, 2yo, 6f 12yT, 1:13.27, gd.

KNIGHT SHIELD (IRE) (c, 2, Starspangledbanner {Aus}--Three Decades {Ire}, by Invincible Spirit {Ire}), a 5-1 shot on this racecourse bow, raced off the pace initially. Steadily wearing down Tambourine Girl (GB) (Cable Bay {Ire}) from the two-furlong marker, the bay overhauled that long-time leader in the shade of the post for a short-head success. The dam, whose first foal was the Listed Bosra Sham S. winner and G3 Fred Darling S. third Melbourne Memories (GB) (Sleeping Indian {GB}), is a half to the G2 Gold Bowl winner Gorongosa (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}). Her yearling is a filly by Mehmas (Ire). Sales history: £140,000 Ylg '18 GOUKPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,766. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-M M Stables; B-M. P. & R. J. Coleman (IRE); T-William Haggas.

3rd-Chepstow, £5,800, Cond, 6-24, 3yo/up, 8f 14yT, 1:34.80, gd.

RED ARMADA (IRE) (c, 3, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Alumni {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Selkirk), runner-up behind subsequent Royal Ascot winner Biometric (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}) going seven furlongs at Newbury last time May 17, was well away to race prominently from the outset here. Easing to the front with three furlongs remaining, the 4-7 pick came under pressure when threatened on all sides passing the two pole and kept on well for continued urging in the closing stages to assert by 1 3/4 lengths from Bint Soghaan (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Becoming the sixth scorer from as many runners out of Listed Cheshire Oaks victress Alumni (GB) (Selkirk), the bay is kin to MGSP Listed Steventon S. winner and multiple Czech champion Dux Scholar (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and a yearling filly by Exceed and Excel (Aus). Alumni is herself a half-sister to three black-type performers including MGSW sire Prolix (GB) (Kris {GB}) and G2 Europachampionat victor Bad Bertrich Again (Ire) (Dowsing). Sales history: €120,000 Ylg '17 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, \$12,193. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-China Horse Club International Ltd; B-Castle Paddock Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Clive Cox.

2nd-Chepstow, £5,800, Cond, 6-24, 3yo/up, 10fT, 2:07.45, gd.
SAFFRAN (IRE) (g, 3, Teofilo {Ire}--Oriental Step {Ire}, by Tamayuz {GB}), was compromised by a slow start when posting a promising third at Nottingham in his June 2 debut and broke well to tracked the leaders in third for most of this one. Shaken up to challenge passing the quarter-mile marker, the even-money pick quickened clear approaching the final eighth and was ridden out to score by an impressive 4 1/2 lengths from Train to Georgia (Scat Daddy). He is the first foal and winner produced by an unraced daughter of G2 Premio Ribot victress Oriental Fashion (Ire) (Marju {Ire}) and the gelded bay is half to the unraced 2-year-old filly Oriental Night (Ire) (Shamardal), a yearling colt by Exceed and Excel (Aus) and a 2019 filly by Muhaarar (GB). His dam is kin to five black-type performers, headed by G3 City of Auckland Cup victor St Jean (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), and is descended from storied blue hen Height of Fashion (Fr) (Bustino {GB}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$5,495. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Mohammed Ali Al Tajir; B-Hadi Al Tajir (IRE); T-Simon Crisford.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Dazzling Des (Ire), c, 2, **Brazen Beau (Aus)**--Secret Liaison (Ire), by Dandy Man (Ire). Wolverhampton, 6-24, 5f 21y (AWT), 1:01.52. B-Mrs A. T. McMillan (IRE). *€33,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

FRANCE**Monday's Results:**

PRIX HAMPTON-Listed, €52,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 6-24, 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.97, gd.

1--**SHADES OF BLUE (IRE), 119, f, 3, Kodiak (GB)--Enjoyable (Ire), by Verglas (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Alison Jones; B-Newton Stud Farm Inc (IRE); T-Clive Cox; J-Hollie Doyle. €26,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 5-2-1-2, €53,566.
2--**Forza Capitano (Fr)**, 128, c, 4, Captain Marvelous (Ire)--Fantasia (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). O-Georg Kern. €10,400.
3--**Ken Colt (Ire)**, 128, g, 4, Kendargent (Fr)--Velvet Revolver (Ire), by Mujahid. (€20,000 RNA Ylg '16 ARAUG). O-Roy Racing Ltd, Christopher N Wright, Fabrice Chappet & Crispin de Moubay. €7,800.

Margins: SHD, 2, 1 3/4. Odds: 1.10, 11.00, 4.80.

Also Ran: Lady In France (GB), Son Cesio (Fr), Sexy Metro (Fr), Pirandello (GB). Scratched: Pocket Dynamo. **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



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Shades of Blue, who followed up a five-furlong debut score at Ascot with a third in the G2 Queen Mary S. over the same strip during last year's Royal meeting, came back this term to hit the board in an Apr. 26 Doncaster conditions heat--her only try at six furlongs--and second in York's May 16 Listed Westow S. back at five last time. The 11-10 favourite was alert from the stalls and racer in fourth through the early stages. Scrubbed along soon after halfway, she was driven to challenge entering the final furlong and kept on resolutely for continued urging to hold the late lunge of Forza Capitano for a career high. Shades of Blue, kin to a yearling filly by Dark Angel (Ire), is the lone performer produced by an unraced half to stakes-winning G2 Ribblesdale S. and G2 Lancashire Oaks runner-up Sahool (GB) (Unfuwain). She shares her second dam Mathaayl (Shadeed), herself a dual winning half to G3 Princess Margaret S. victress Mubhubh (Blushing Groom {Fr}), with a swathe of black-type performers headed by G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club victor Ventura Storm (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) and MGSW sires Maraahel (Ire) (Alzao) and Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Other notable descendants of Mathaayl include last month's G1 Lockinge S. hero Mustashry (GB) (Tamayuz {GB}) and MGSP sire Tazahum (Redoute's Choice {Aus}).

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Maisons-Laffitte, €35,000, Cond, 6-24, 3yo, 12fT, 2:35.31, gd.

MISTER NINO (FR) (c, 3, Magician {Ire})--Desideria, by Desert Party) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, €39,100. O-NBH Racing; B-SAGL Seserve (FR); T-Jean-Marie Beguigne. *€28,000 Ylg '17 AROCT; 58,000gns RNA 2yo '18 TATGNS; €30,000 HRA '18 ARQJUL.

2nd-Maisons-Laffitte, €34,000, Cond, 6-24, 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.43, gd.

HAS D'EMRA (FR) (c, 2, Kheleyf--Royalrique {Fr}, by Enrique {GB}) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, €46,100. O-Laurent Haegel; B-Jacques Boitteau & Christophe Plisson (FR); T-Frederic Rossi.
2nd-Salon de Provence, €22,000, Cond, 6-24, 3yo, 10fT, 2:03.97, g/s.

SEMARIYA (FR) (f, 3, Archipenko--Serasana {GB}, by Red Ransom) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, €21,500. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *1/2 to Saryshagann (Fr) (Iffraaj {GB}), SP-Fr, \$102,438.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Exalted Angel (Fr), g, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Hurryupharriet (Ire) (SW-Eng & MSP-Fr), by Camacho (GB). Maisons-Laffitte, 6-24, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.14. B-Tirnaskea Stud (FR). *€150,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG.

Happy To Be (Fr), f, 3, Zanzibari--Happy Crazy (Fr), by Redback (GB). Salon-de-Provence, 6-24, 10fT, 2:10.22. B-Xavier Leredde & Mme Valerie Boix-Vives (FR). *€30,000 Ylg '17 AROCT.

IRELAND**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

Xcite (Ire), f, 3, Kingman (GB)--Recite (Jpn), by Forty Niner. Ballinrobe, 6-24, 9f 162yT, 2:11.39. B-F. Dunne (IRE). *1/2 to One Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Ire, \$102,541, & to Some Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), GSP-Ire.

GERMANY**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

In Memory (Ire), f, 3, Reliable Man (GB)--Ijojo, by Giant's Causeway. Munich, 6-24, 10fT, 2:16.98. B-Stall Ullmann (GER).
Propolia (Ger), f, 3, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Pretty Smart (Ger), by Law Society. Munich, 6-24, 8fT, 1:44.80. B-Gestut Park Wiedingen (GER). *€11,000 RNA Ylg '17 BBASEP; €17,000 Ylg '17 BBAOCT.

EASTERN EUROPE**MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Fiburn F (Ire), c, 2, Dandy Man (Ire)--Littlemissara (Ire), by Bushranger (Ire). Sluzewiec (Poland), 6-23, Maiden, 1200mT. B-Peter & Sarah Fortune. *1ST TIME STARTER. **Won by 18 lengths. *€11,000 RNA Ylg '18 GOFFEB; €12,000 Ylg '18 TISEP; £10,000 2yo '19 GUK2YO. VIDEO**
Vain Hope (Ire), f, 2, Gutaifan (Ire)--Vale of Belvoir (Ire), by Mull of Kintyre. Bratislava (Slovakia), 6-23, Maiden, 1000mT. B-Mrs Ana Alice Byrne. *1ST TIME STARTER. **10th winner for first-crop sire (by Dark Angel {Ire}). *Won by six lengths. ****4,500gns Wlg '17 TINOV; €4,500 Ylg '18 GOFNOV. VIDEO**
Inter Royal Lady (Ire), f, 2, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--Fearn Royal (Ire), by Ali-Royal (Ire). Sluzewiec (Poland), 6-22, Maiden, 1000mT. B-Fergus Cousins. *Won by 5 1/2 lengths. **1ST TIME STARTER. *€22,000 RNA Wlg '17 GOFNOV; €25,000 Ylg '18 GOFSP. VIDEO**



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for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, June 23.

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Frankel (GB) <i>(2008) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2014</i>	11	25	6	17	2	6	138	55	538,497	4,786,480 <i>Simply Brilliant (GB)</i>
	<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £175,000</i>										
2	Bated Breath (GB) <i>(2007) by Dansili (GB) FYR: 2014</i>	6	11	4	7	--	--	165	48	251,521	1,855,247 <i>Expecting (GB)</i>
	<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £10,000</i>										
3	Helmet (Aus) <i>(2008) by Exceed and Excel (Aus) FYR: 2014</i>	2	3	2	2	1	1	137	44	7,440,000	8,448,487 <i>Thunder Snow (IRE)</i>
	<i>Stands: Gestut Fahrhof Ger Fee: €9,000</i>										
4	Nathaniel (Ire) <i>(2008) by Galileo (Ire) FYR: 2014</i>	4	6	2	3	1	1	137	38	678,033	1,818,144 <i>Channel (IRE)</i>
	<i>Stands: Newsells Park Stud Eng Fee: £25,000</i>										
5	Casamento (Ire) <i>(2008) by Shamardal FYR: 2014</i>	2	6	2	3	--	--	160	46	293,123	1,410,356 <i>Amade (IRE)</i>
	<i>Stands: Sunnyhill Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>										
6	Campanologist <i>(2005) by Kingmambo FYR: 2014</i>	3	4	2	3	--	--	51	20	53,457	395,897 <i>Django Freeman (GER)</i>
	<i>Stands: Gestut Fahrhof EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>										
7	Rajsaman (Fr) <i>(2007) by Linamix (Fr) FYR: 2014</i>	1	4	1	1	--	--	138	41	107,500	1,104,143 <i>Olympico (FR)</i>
	<i>Stands: Jalogny Farm Fr Fee: €4,500</i>										
8	So You Think (NZ) <i>(2006) by High Chaparral (Ire) FYR: 2014</i>	1	1	1	1	--	--	61	11	180,639	895,711 <i>Buddies (AUS)</i>
	<i>Stands: Coolmore Australia EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>										
9	Scalo (GB) <i>(2007) by Lando (Ger) FYR: 2014</i>	1	1	1	1	--	--	11	2	64,392	97,423 <i>Laccario (GER)</i>
	<i>Stands: Haras de Gelos Fr Fee: €2,200</i>										
10	Harbour Watch (Ire) <i>(2009) by Acclamation (GB) FYR: 2014</i>	--	3	--	--	--	--	117	28	1,029,879	1,816,723 <i>Waikuku (IRE)</i>
	<i>Stands: Tweenhills Farm & Stud Eng Fee: Pensioned</i>										
11	Sepoy (Aus) <i>(2008) by Elusive Quality FYR: 2014</i>	2	3	--	--	--	--	119	33	94,569	1,128,591 <i>Sacred Rebel (AUS)</i>
	<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>										
12	Mayson (GB) <i>(2008) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2014</i>	--	1	--	--	--	--	109	39	199,255	996,669 <i>Mayson Junior (JPN)</i>
	<i>Stands: Cheveley Park Stud Eng Fee: £6,000</i>										
13	Excelebration (Ire) <i>(2008) by Exceed and Excel (Aus) FYR: 2014</i>	3	5	--	2	--	--	113	22	247,383	973,973 <i>Splendour and Gold (AUS)</i>
	<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €8,000</i>										
14	Born To Sea (Ire) <i>(2009) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2014</i>	1	2	--	1	--	--	105	26	158,248	854,267 <i>Born To Play (IRE)</i>
	<i>Stands: Haras des Faunes Fr Fee: €4,000</i>										
15	Elzaam (Aus) <i>(2008) by Redoute's Choice (Aus) FYR: 2014</i>	1	2	--	--	--	--	71	18	140,656	624,250 <i>Pretty Vacant (GB)</i>
	<i>Stands: Ballyhane Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>										

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WINX SET FOR VINNY DATE



Winx and Hugh Bowman | Bronwen Healy

by Bren O'Brien

It's a match made in equine heaven, with Australia's record-breaking mare Winx (Street Cry {Ire}) to visit Australia's record-breaking stallion I Am Invincible at Yarraman Park this season. Winx recently retired with an astonishing record of 37 wins from 43 starts, including victories in her last 33 races and a world record 25 Group 1 successes. The winner of \$26.5 million in prizemoney, the announcement of who would be her first mating has been eagerly anticipated.

Being by Street Cry out of an Al Akbar (USA) mare, she is free of Danehill (USA) blood and so there were a wealth of options for her both in Australia and overseas.

I Am Invincible was always a front runner to win the race to sire her first foal. He has rewritten the record books with 28 stakes winners this season, the most ever by an Australian-based stallion. His star has risen at an amazing rate in the past six years, during which time his service fee has increased from \$11,000 inc GST to \$267,500 inc GST next season.

Winx's owners, Peter and Patty Tighe, Richard Treweeke and Debbie Kepitis, confirmed the match in a media release on Monday.

"As owners, we have utilised and considered the expert advice of bloodstock professionals both domestically and internationally," the statement said. "We have sought the opinions of various pedigree consultants, bloodstock agents and stud managers."

"They provided us with the foundation of information to assess and use to compile the short list of stallions for consideration."

"This process highlighted the extreme depth to the stallion ranks in Australia and across the world, however when considering the options of travelling overseas her welfare remained of the highest priority and we decided she would remain in Australia for her first breeding season."

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who made expressions of interest. The level of attention was overwhelming and something we are very grateful for."

Yarraman Park director Arthur Mitchell told *TDN AusNZ* that discussions over whether Winx would visit I Am Invincible were simple and straight forward.

"We haven't had a lot of communication. We've spoken to Debbie Kepitis a couple of times and we said, he is available if you want to come to him, we left it at that. We haven't hassled or anything. We've let it be and let them make their minds up," he said.

The cross of I Am Invincible with a Street Cry mare is unproven, with only one horse with this cross making it to the track so far. Broodmares by Street Cry have produced 51 winners from 122 runners this season, with the most notable success Lyre (Lonhro) in G1 Blue Diamond S. this season.

Mitchell has every faith in the pedigree working out well and sees the two as a good physical match as well.

"He comes up pretty well on pedigree. It seems pretty logical, a big good-looking horse who gets mostly good types and can put a bit of speed into her, it seems a pretty sensible mating," he said.

"We're delighted she's coming and hope she has a nice foal."

Two Queens

I Am Invincible has already sired a weanling filly out of Australia's other Queen of the Turf, the unbeaten Black Caviar (Bel Esprit), who is in foal to him again and is likely to pay a third visit this spring. While he won't win his first Australian Champion Sires title this year, he will be Champion 2YO Sire, and is currently leading his great rival, Arrowfield's Snitzel in winners and stakes wins. **Cont. p2**

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The G1 Tattersall's Tiara win on Saturday by Invincibella took I Am Invincible to four Group 1 wins for the season, behind only Street Cry, who had eight, seven of them by Winx, and Redoute's Choice, who had five, four by The Autumn Sun.

"It has been an amazing season and his racetrack progeny are still not out of the top class mares yet. We are hoping we can keep it going. To have a season like this is amazing. His 2-year olds through to his older horses, it's been terrific," Mitchell said.

"And he is Champion sire of 2-year olds, without winning a Golden Slipper or a Blue Diamond or a Magic Millions, which takes a bit of doing."

Winx's extended family is making an impact on the Australian breeding scene.

Her half-sister Miss Atom Bomb (Encosta De Lago) has had three foals, including the winner Nuclear Blitz (Sepoy) as well as a colt by I Am invincible last spring.

Her unraced half-brother Boulder City (Snitzel) stood his first season at Riverbank Farm last spring. Her dam Vegas Showgirl (NZ) (Al Akbar {USA}) has a 2-year-old filly named Courcheval (Snitzel) and a yearling filly named Covent Garden (Exceed And Excel) and is in foal to Deep Impact {Jpn}), who she visited last year.



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IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Yu Zhou Xing Shen, c, 2, **Uncle Mo (USA)**--Aqua D'amore (G1SW-Aus, \$1,936,850), by Danehill (USA). Yulong, 6-22, Magic Millions Cup Trial, 1000m (sand), 1:00.95. O-Huayu Horse Industry; B-Katom (NSW). *\$80,000 Ylg '18 MMGCYS.

VIDEO

Ji Di, c, 3, **Artie Schiller (USA)**--Light Rose, by Royal Academy (USA). Yulong, 6-22, Hcp., 1200m (sand), 1:12.13. O-JIN Chengjun; B-Ms R Frenzel (Vic). *\$12,000 RNA Wlg '16 INGJUN; \$20,000 Ylg '17 INGMAR. **VIDEO**

Sheng Quan Gong Zhu, f, 3, **Denman**--Emaurismo, by Redoute's Choice. Yulong, 6-22, Hcp., 1800m (sand), 1:55.65. O-WANG Junning; B-Mrs J S Mackay (NSW). *1/2 to Spring Heat (More Than Ready {USA}), GSW-NZ. **\$52,500 Ylg '17 INGFEb. **VIDEO**

Lang E Fei Zhou, c, 3, **Strada**--Tiger Tess, by Hold That Tiger (USA). Yulong, 6-22, Maiden, 1200m (sand), 1:12.28. O-WANG Junning; B-Riverdene Stud Pty Ltd (NSW). *1/2 to Brugal Reward (Reward For Effort), GSW-Aus, \$260,290. **\$25,000 Ylg '17 INGMAR; \$42,000 2yo '17 INGRTR. **VIDEO**

Huang Jin Hai An, c, 4, **Wicked Style (USA)**--Valued, by Bianconi (USA). Yulong, 6-22, Maiden, 1200m (sand), 01:11.93. O-QIN Lei; B-Mr NC Stewart (Qld). *\$32,000 Ylg '16 MMMAR. **VIDEO**

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