



## MONOMOY GIRL TO REJOIN COX STABLE NEXT WEEK



**Monomoy Girl** | Sarah Andrew

by Bill Finley

The comeback of **Monomoy Girl** (Tapizar) will enter a new phase next week when the Eclipse Award-winning mare returns to the racetrack. Trainer Brad Cox said Monomoy Girl will be sent shortly to his stable at Fair Grounds on or about Jan. 15.

Her appearance at Fair Grounds will mark a major step forward for a horse that has not raced since winning the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff on Nov. 3, 2018. The connections had planned on running her in 2019, but a couple of relatively small problems kept her out for the year. She had a mild case of colic in March, which put her on the sidelines through the summer. Cox was hoping to have her ready for a prep for the 2019 Distaff and the Distaff itself, but Monomoy Girl pulled a gluteal muscle in September, ending her year.

After the September setback, Monomoy Girl was sent to Paul Sharp Stables in Florida and has been in light training there over the last several weeks.

Cox said he hasn't made any plans yet. "She's just been galloping, no speed works yet, while at Paul Sharp's place," he said. "We will just see how she settles in. We really don't have a schedule. We'll take it a day at a time. It probably won't take long to get her back on the breeze schedule. From there, it will be day to day, week to week." **Cont. p3**

## NEVER ECLIPSED: "OVERWHELMING" RESPONSE by Dan Ross

It was only **this past Tuesday** that the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) invited fans to submit photos or videos to social media of their Off-Track Thoroughbreds (OTTBs) for inclusion in a series of video montages to be played during the upcoming Eclipse Awards, but the enthusiastic response already has overwhelmed those charged with weaving this tribute together.

"It's been terrific," said Keith Chamblin, the NTRA's chief operating officer, who said that the NTRA offices have been inundated with emails from OTTB owners, alongside the slew of messages posted on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

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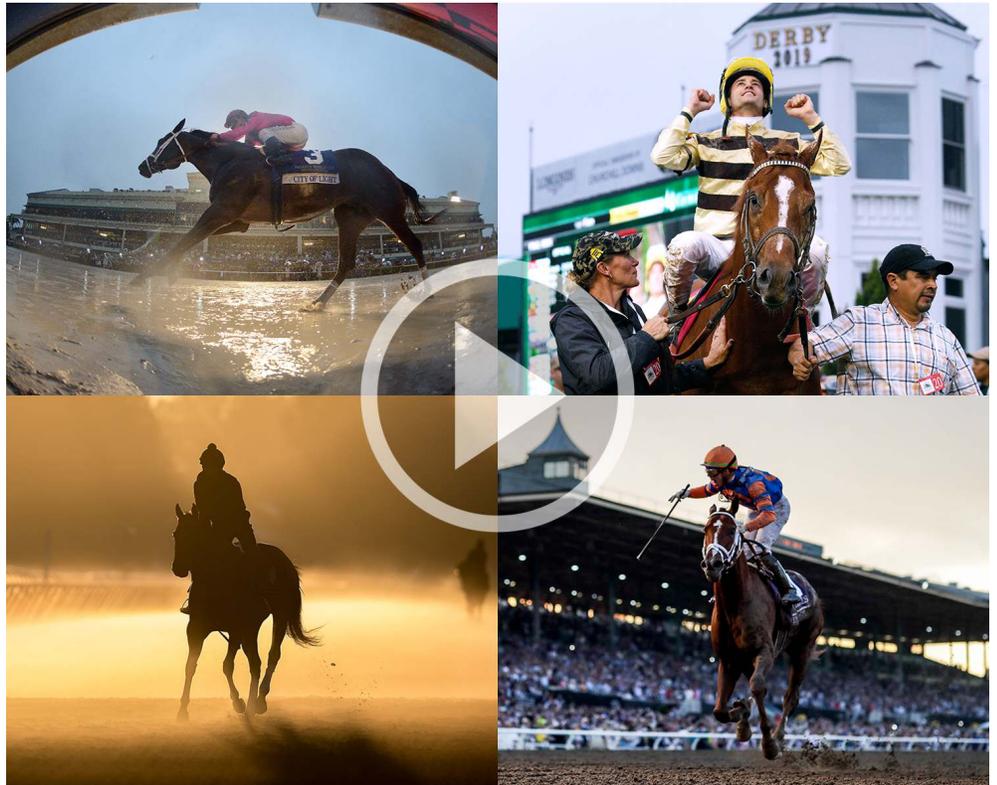
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**Monomoy Girl cont. from p1**



**Brad Cox** | Sarah Andrew

Cox said, “Obviously, we have no plans so far as what races she might run in. All I can say is one step at a time.”

Though he sees no reason why Monomoy Girl won’t make it back to the races this year, Cox said she will not run unless everyone involved is convinced that she is 100% back to the level that made her the champion 3-year-old filly in 2018.

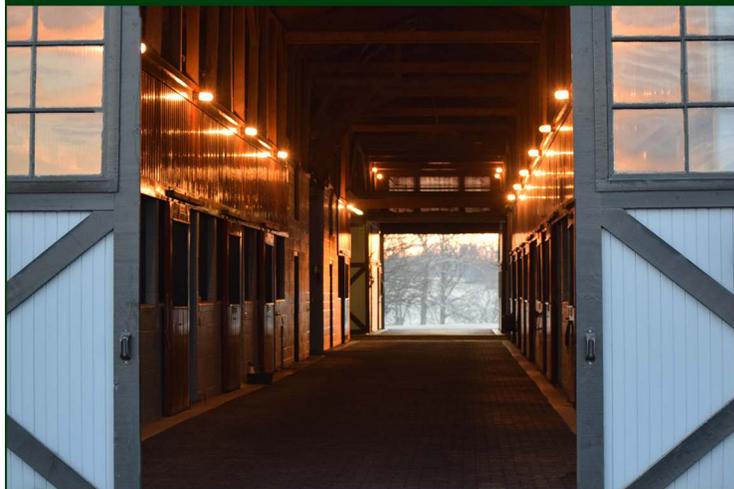
“We weren’t going to take any chances with her,” Cox said. “If she’s not 100%, we won’t run her. I’m not saying she’ll have to be 100% fit, but 100% sound. It’s going to be a big hurdle considering she accomplished so much as a 2- and 3-year-old and then we had two goes at it in 2019 that fell short. All I know, when she’s right, she’s very good and we won’t lead her over unless she’s that way. If she shows up it will tell you that she means business and we mean business.”

“When we brought her back in September, I felt like we were within a couple of weeks of a race. But I just wasn’t happy with what I was seeing. She had a minor physical setback last fall. If it shows up again we would probably pull the plug. But she’s happy, healthy and training very well right now. We’ll see what happens when she returns to the racetrack.”

Monomoy Girl is owned by the partnership of Michael Dubb, Monomoy Stables, LLC, The Elkstone Group, LLC and Bethlehem Stables LLC. In hindsight, it probably would have been a better decision to retire her after 2018 and, perhaps, sell her at a fall breeding stock sale. But Cox said no one involved with the horse has any regrets over how things have worked out.

“I think everybody is thrilled,” he said. “Everybody is looking forward and anxious to see if she can make it back. I don’t think if they had to do it over again they would have retired her. It was worth giving her a shot. Everybody is excited and optimistic that she will make it back.”

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"Monomoy Girl is an amazing filly," Cox said. "Watching what Midnight Bisou did last year shows you what an amazing talent our horse is. She's an incredible animal to be around. To see what Midnight Bisou accomplished and how great she was in 2018 and 2019 tells you something about our horse. You've got to pinch yourself and think how blessed and fortunate we were to have her and have her take us on the run she took us on. If those two were to meet this year, it would be great for racing. It would be tremendous."

Cox said he will have Midnight Bisou in the back of his mind when planning races for Monomoy Girl and will not face her rival until Cox knows that his horse is at her very best.

"With what that filly accomplished last year we would never think of running against her off a year-and-a-half layoff or anything like that," Cox said. "We will have had to accomplish a good amount and have good form before we face her."

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"I don't know if it was a mistake or not, but the poor woman in our office, we'd included her email as a contact to purchase Eclipse Award tickets," Chamblin added. "She's been hearing from owners of Off-Track Thoroughbreds from all over North America who want to tell her about their beautiful and loving pets, how they can't wait to submit, and is she the contact."

The outpouring of support has acted as a reminder "why we're

in this wonderful sport," said Amy Zimmerman, who, along with Keeneland's G.D. Hieronymus, is co-producer of the Eclipse Awards broadcast.

"Every single one of us is in here, in this business, because of the horse," Zimmerman said. "We spend so much of our time as an industry fighting about so many different things, we lose sight of that fact: we all love the horse. That, more than anything, is what the Never Eclipse is showcasing."

Within days of the NTRA's request for photos or videos from owners of OTTBs to be posted on Twitter and Facebook using the #NeverEclipsed hashtag, both social media platforms have been swamped with submissions from figures at all strata of the industry and beyond. "The couple of times I've been to the hashtag on either Twitter or Instagram, you can barely get to the bottom of the page," said Hieronymus. "We've been absolutely blown away."

According to Zimmerman, the idea for the concept arrived in a Eureka moment on a drive from Phoenix to Tucson, Arizona, for the latest Global Symposium of Racing. "This year, perhaps more than recent years, there's not a lot of suspense to most of the awards, so, I was just kicking around ideas to why people would want to watch," she said.

"Let's be honest, there's been some tough spots in the year. But one of the bright spots that continues to shine is our OTTBs,

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One of those people is **Anita Motion**, who has made a series of #NeverEclipsed social media postings illustrating the second careers of the horses that have passed through the barn of her husband, trainer Graham Motion.

"I don't typically jump on these things, but I just thought that this is something that we could get behind, and it would be easy

to do," said Motion.

"We have a huge amount of horses that we have rehomed—I could go on all day about them," she added, pointing to the **"Warriors" page** on the stable website which tells the individual stories of former Motion-trained horses who have each enjoyed successful vocations after the sun had set on their racing careers.

"We're lucky, in our office, we have Sue Kenny. A big part of her job is following up on all our retirees and rehoming," said Motion, who emphasized how, were it not for her time-consuming obligations to the barn, she would be more heavily involved in the world of OTTBs. "But [Kenny] keeps track of the horses pretty aggressively, and she really loves doing it."

According to Hieronymus, the challenge will be sorting through all the submissions, deciding who makes the cut for the live broadcast. "I certainly don't want to leave anybody out, but I have a feeling we're going to have to. And if that's the case, we'll make sure we share them socially later."

Indeed, Chamblin confirmed that every submission will be included in an awards show post-script "via the internet and social media," said Chamblin. "We're a little overwhelmed by the response at the moment, which is a good problem to have." And there's next year, perhaps.

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Chamblin, adding that the Never Eclipsed concept could "absolutely" be replicated in future iterations of the show.

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The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, which has awarded more than \$17.2 million in grants to accredited Thoroughbred aftercare organizations since 2012, is the official charity of the Eclipse Awards. The deadline for submissions this year is Jan. 17.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### JOSH STEVENS

#### J. STEVENS BLOODSTOCK:

I'd like to respond to [Mark Taylor's comments](#) regarding removal of repository X-rays for the later books of the Keeneland sale. First off, I have to give Mark and all of the 'Taylor Boys' credit for always looking forward and trying to innovate in this business, they have been leaders in this business

for as long as I can remember. As an agent who manages portfolios for breeders as well as a buyer of racehorses, I understand both sides of the fence. Often times, as a buyer, you feel like you can't afford any nice horses and as a seller you often feel that no one wants to buy your horses. Truth is, competition is heavy for the top horses and it is lacking on middle market horses. I've seen plenty of top horses that have defects on their reports still bring a premium because when you're competing against top buyers, you have to expand your criteria in order to buy the athlete you want.

I was told early on to 'buy the athlete' and I live by that. No matter how a horse vets, at the end of the day, it's either an athlete or it isn't. No vet can tell you when a defect will affect a horse's performance. They are looking at a still picture in time with no idea which direction the defect is heading or if the horse is clinically affected by the defect. Plenty vets have told me, 'this may affect this horse, but I can't tell you when.' It's up to my buyer and me to decide if the risk is worth the reward.

I will say this; very rarely do our horses stop running because of defects I buy them with. Bone bruising, fractures, knee chips, tendons, suspensories, and throats are typically the culprits. I've had them all on 'clean' horses. I've seen no correlation between a clean X-ray sheet and horses staying sound. I believe that a 'clean' horse is just as likely to suffer a career-ending injury as a

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horse with comments on their sheet. Outside of a few significant defects I won't touch at the sale, I buy athletes and don't worry about the rest. My vet is a tool in my kit to gauge risk before we make a purchase and help to decide what we are willing to spend given the risk, but I work with my clients to understand vet reports and how little they actually affect the horses' performance.

I believe removing the repository would have a negative effect on the middle market and seems like more of a deterrence to commerce when we need to be creating more middle market buyers. I think the perceived 'pickiness' of buyers is created by a lack of competition for middle market horses. I'm hopeful that the increase in purses the last couple years will incentivize more buyers to jump back in and with increased competition, we will see buyers broaden their horizons in terms of vetting.

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### #FreeDataFriday-VOLUME 16: CONFESSIONS OF A MILLENNIAL BETTOR AND DATA HOUND

*TIF Note: To those who control the keys to data in American racing--The Jockey Club, Equibase, Thoroughbred Racing Associations of North America--and to the owners of Thoroughbreds who wish to continue racing, enjoying prize money and a more sustainable sport, we suggest you read this first-person account carefully, considering how these organizations can create a better future for engaging customers with vastly improved data offerings or risk losing yet another generation.*



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by John Camardo

I was introduced to horse racing at the age of 25, in a bar, on Cinco de Mayo 2017. There was a promotional spot for an ADW offering free money to sign-up. They had hats and I wanted one.

Long story short--I wake up the next morning a bit groggy, with a hat, missed calls from a pizza delivery that never quite happened and no betting account. But I remembered the lure of the promo and figured I would give it a shot.

At first, I was just betting using “expert” picks--finding information on racing when starting from zero is more challenging than you would think. Spending 4% of my \$50 bankroll to purchase a digital, basic PP form seemed absurd. I searched for free PPs and found them. Yonkers happened to offer them one day a week--so I started playing harness racing.

My fascination grew with more research. The amount of data packed into a few pages of the free day’s PDF was astounding to me at the time, even with just the basics provided. I binged on handicapping books, hoping to expedite the learning process. Eventually, I found an ADW that offered free PPs if I wagered (but also the tough lesson--on a small bankroll--that if I didn’t play, I’d be charged for the PPs).

After months of dabbling, I decided that it was time to build a proper database.

I spent hundreds of hours building the cheapest thing possible and had a great sense of accomplishment when I thought it was ready to go. I created my first handicapping model, my first computer-generated odds line. To myself, I was a pioneer.

As my understanding of the data and how to model it improved, my handle increased. I could spend far less time handicapping (the model was doing that), and more time betting and enjoying racing. My handle in a day was exceeding handle from my first two years of betting combined.

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But with this increased familiarity with American racing data came some greater frustrations. I began to realize that which I'd spent tireless hours collecting was nothing short of garbage. Times were off. Run-up was nearly impossible to find in entries. There was very little uniformity. I had built what I thought could be my own personal racing empire on, well, a lot of garbage. And in the world of modeling, much like in the real world, the saying "garbage in, garbage out" holds true.

I did find some success. I have made multiple four-figure scores with my model, which is more than I had ever imagined was feasible. Remember--I was starting from zero. And now, I am betting far more.

Why though, was I spending so much time maintaining, cleaning and fixing data? Was nothing else out there better?

I'm sure this sounds naive to some industry veterans, and would potentially scare off my contemporaries pursuing the same thing. In a few short years of engagement, having randomly bumped into horse racing in a New York bar and really quite liking it--I found myself frustrated with the quality of the "local" product.

I started to look abroad in December 2019. As I write this, I have almost an equal amount of data on British and Hong Kong racing as I can claim for two years of time with U.S. racing. Also, it's free.

Pair that with: higher quality data (sectional times in Hong Kong are nothing short of spectacular), more of it (workouts and vet records at the click of a button, and free), more uniformity in racing (the handicap system, and classes outside of the U.S. are a modeler's dream) and frankly, better quality racing (bigger fields, transparency and integrity), and I can't help but feel ecstatic every day I have the proposition of betting in these overseas markets.

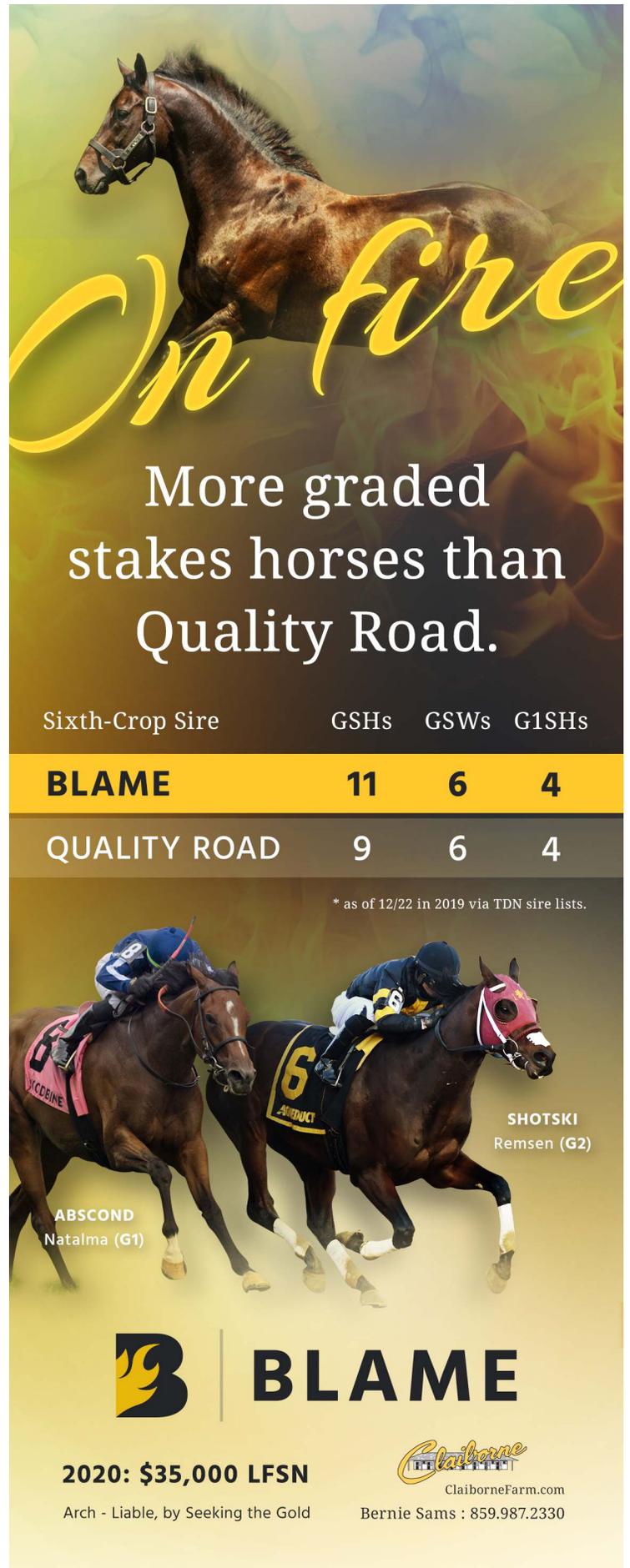
I do not want to give up on U.S. racing.

I still bet in our markets. I am, however, shifting a hefty percentage of my wagering to foreign racing. The data has proved to be better. I know that only because there was essentially no barrier or cost to entry. I knew nothing about foreign racing a few months back. With free and easy to access data, now I do, and I plan on refining it over time.

In my experience, freely accessible data is always the best bet.

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### DAN METZGER, PRESIDENT, TOBA

The top priority for our sport in 2020 is the enhancement of equine health and safety. We are facing other important challenges, but none nearly as critical as the health and safety of the Thoroughbred racehorse. We must reduce the number of fatal injuries of horses at the racetrack and demonstrate that the industry can work together to implement the needed reforms. We need to embrace new and existing technologies and policies that will significantly reduce the number of equine injuries on the racetrack.

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**RUNHAPPY NAMED TITLE SPONSOR OF ECLIPSE AWARDS, HORSE OF THE YEAR**



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Officials at the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) announced that the 49th annual Eclipse Award Dinner and the night’s highest honor, 2019 Horse of the Year, will be sponsored by Claiborne stallion Runhappy (Super Saver), the 2015 Eclipse Award-winning sprinter.

“The Eclipse Awards are the most prestigious awards in North American Thoroughbred racing. I know because we won one for Champion Male Sprinter in 2015,” said James McIngvale, who campaigned Runhappy to three Grade I victories, including the Breeders’ Cup Sprint. “It was the culmination of an unforgettable year and we are delighted that Runhappy will once again be part of a night when our sport comes together to celebrate the best in Thoroughbred racing.”

Runhappy entered stud at Claiborne in 2017 and his first-crop yearlings were received warmly by the market in 2019. According to TDN Sales Statistics, 59 youngsters sold for an average of \$227,000 and a median of \$200,000 last year, with a top price of \$700,000 for a half-brother to Canadian champions Biofuel (Stormin Fever) and Tu Endie Wei (Johar) at Keeneland September, finishing the sale as the leading freshman sire. He topped all first-crop sires as Fasig-Tipton Saratoga at an average of \$395,000 for his four sold.

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"Jim McIngvale has staunchly supported the Thoroughbred industry through his sponsorship of some of the sport's most prestigious races and race meets while also making numerous charitable contributions to a variety of causes," said NTRA President and Chief Executive Officer Alex Waldrop. "The success of Runhappy has been one of his biggest sources of pride and Runhappy's proven brilliance makes him a fitting figure to honor Thoroughbred racing's equine and human champions."

The Eclipse Awards ceremonies take place Thursday, Jan. 23, at Gulfstream Park.

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Bolt d'Oro's first foal, a filly, was born Jan. 10 | Rachel Bissonette

### BOLT D'ORO'S FIRST FOAL A FILLY

**Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro--Globe Trot, by A.P. Indy) was represented by his first reported foal Friday, Jan. 10, when a filly from Moment of Speight (Ire) (Speightstown) was born at Forever Spring Farm in Kentucky.

Bred in partnership by Forever Spring and River Oaks Farm, the bay is the first produce from her 5-year-old dam, a daughter of Irish SW and U.S. dual graded-stakes placed Shimmering Moment (Afleet Alex). The filly's third dam Vassar (Royal Academy) is responsible for champion and two-time GI

Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint hero Stormy Liberal (Stormy Atlantic), GSW Leinster (Majestic Warrior) and GISP Coast Guard (Stormy Atlantic).

"This filly has good substance and quality. She has lovely angles and is a very pretty filly," said Matt Jackson, farm manager of Forever Spring Farm. "We're super excited to breed back to Bolt d'Oro."

A dual Grade I winner short and long as a 2-year-old, Bolt



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ran mile **50**  
**1:33 4/5**

Won Classic as a 3YO over 2-time Horse of the Year California Chrome. Other 3YOs to have won the Classic include Unbridled, A.P. Indy, Sunday Silence, Tiznow, and Curlin.

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d'Oro won the GII San Felipe S. and was runner-up to Triple Crown winner Justify (Scat Daddy) in the GI Santa Anita Derby. The \$630,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling was campaigned by Mick and Wendy Ruis and retired to stud with a record of four wins from eight starts and earnings of \$1,016,000.

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### OMAHA BEACH SETTLING IN AT GULFSTREAM

Fox Hill Farms Inc.'s **Omaha Beach** (War Front) galloped at Gulfstream Park Friday morning in preparation for his highly anticipated career finale in the \$3-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational Jan. 25.

"He galloped about a mile and a half this morning and looked good," trainer Richard Mandella said.

Omaha Beach's training for the Pegasus had been compromised for a few days due to a minor foot issue.

"He had a bruise in his foot the other day," Mandella said. "We took the shoes off. We poulticed it for a day and put some new shoes on [Thursday]. I'll give him a few days to get used to that. I'll probably work him next Monday. It could be Sunday. We'll just see how things go."

Following the Pegasus, Omaha Beach is scheduled to begin stud duty at Spendthrift Farm in Lexington, KY, for the 2020 breeding season.

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### CRESTWOOD OPEN HOUSE JAN. 12

The annual Stallion Open House at Crestwood Farm in Lexington is scheduled for this coming Sunday, Jan. 12, from 1-4 p.m. at the nursery's stallion barn located at 3758 Spurr Road.

Breeders are invited to register in person for the 2020 free season raffle for each of the farm's six stallions. Food and drinks will be served in a heated tent.

The newest addition to the Crestwood line-up is **Heart to Heart** (English Channel--Ask the Question, by Silver Deputy), champion 3-year-old in Canada in 2014 and a Grade I winner on turf at eight and nine furlongs. Other Crestwood stallions include **Get Stormy** (Stormy Atlantic), sire of Eclipse candidate Got Stormy; **Firing Line** (Line of David); **Jack Milton** (War Front); **Texas Red** (Afleet Alex); and **The Player** (Street Hero).

For additional information, visit [www.crestwoodfarm.com](http://www.crestwoodfarm.com).

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## TWO G1 KENTUCKY OAKS CANDIDATES...

**FINITE** won the **G2 Golden Rod S.** for Steve Asmussen on Nov 30.



“Finite's Golden Rod victory has Asmussen dreaming of Kentucky Oaks” DRF.com

**VENETIAN HARBOR** won a MSW at Santa Anita for Richard Baltas by 10¾ lengths on Dec 29 earning a 94 Beyer (the second-highest by a 2YO filly in 2019) and runs next in the **G2 Las Virgenes S.**



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## EQUIBASE ACQUIRES TIMING ASSETS OF ATC

Officials at Equibase Company LLC have announced that its Axcis Information Inc. (TrackMaster), a wholly owned subsidiary, has entered into an agreement with American Teletimer Corporation (ATC) to acquire the latter's timing assets. ATC is a leading provider of timing, photo finish and video content for Thoroughbred, Standardbred and Greyhound racing and the company will retain the photo finish and television production segments of their business.

TrackMaster will take over ATC's timing operations at 52 Thoroughbred and Standardbred tracks in the U.S. The deal is expected to close this month.

"Equibase has made significant progress in implementing its automated tracking strategy and we are the official timer at the six tracks that have installed global positioning satellite (GPS) systems," said Equibase President and Chief Operating Officer Jason Wilson. "Acquiring the timing business of ATC made sense as we move to upgrade the data collection process with the more widespread adoption of GPS technology in the coming years.

He continued, "GPS technology is versatile enough to time races as well as provide rich data sets that can be used to create more engaging video graphics. The technology also allows us to greatly enhance the presentation of handicapping information beyond the basic formats of traditional results charts and past performance lines, which were created more than 100 years ago. Finally, the technology allows for a more efficient collection of workout data, which we plan to introduce in the future."

As part of the deal, Equibase will designate ATC as its preferred photo finish, graphics and television production services partner.

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## 2019 Leading Turf Sires by Black-Type Winners

for stallions standing in North America

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Scat Daddy</b> <i>(2004) by Johannesburg Crops: 8</i>	14	27	8	16	2	7	203	72	1,192,878	7,397,733
				Stands: Ashford Stud USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)						Mr Melody	
2	<b>English Channel</b> <i>(2002) by Smart Strike Crops: 9</i>	14	25	6	12	2	3	194	80	1,062,108	7,130,970
				Stands: Calumet Farm KY Fee: \$35,000						Channel Maker	
3	<b>Kitten's Joy</b> <i>(2001) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 11</i>	10	19	6	11	1	4	331	114	717,751	8,097,376
				Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$75,000						Henley's Joy	
4	<b>War Front</b> <i>(2002) by Danzig Crops: 10</i>	9	25	5	15	--	3	185	55	241,615	4,099,401
				Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$250,000						Top Soliste	
5	<b>Medaglia d'Oro</b> <i>(1999) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 12</i>	8	20	5	9	1	1	180	56	793,260	5,752,452
				Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$200,000						Cambier Parc	
6	<b>The Factor</b> <i>(2008) by War Front Crops: 4</i>	8	21	1	10	--	1	190	65	342,023	4,780,266
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$17,500						San Jose Tesoro	
7	<b>City Zip</b> <i>(1998) by Carson City Crops: 15</i>	8	18	3	7	--	2	157	59	434,620	4,453,110
				Stands: Lane's End Farm USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)						Snapper Sinclair	
8	<b>Tapit</b> <i>(2001) by Pulpit Crops: 12</i>	8	12	3	6	--	1	146	42	392,354	3,394,049
				Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$200,000						Princesa Carolina	
9	<b>More Than Ready</b> <i>(1997) by Southern Halo Crops: 16</i>	7	13	5	8	2	2	211	66	1,455,000	6,394,601
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$80,000						Uni (GB)	
10	<b>Giant's Causeway</b> <i>(1997) by Storm Cat Crops: 16</i>	6	13	3	10	1	2	125	45	6,723,650	10,981,319
				Stands: Ashford Stud USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)						Bricks and Mortar	
11	<b>Speightstown</b> <i>(1998) by Gone West Crops: 12</i>	6	13	3	5	1	4	139	33	1,058,962	4,613,867
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$70,000						Moza Superflare	
12	<b>Lemon Drop Kid</b> <i>(1996) by Kingmambo Crops: 16</i>	6	15	2	5	--	--	158	52	185,310	3,427,066
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$20,000						Dyna Passer	
13	<b>Into Mischief</b> <i>(2005) by Harlan's Holiday Crops: 8</i>	6	13	--	2	--	--	183	58	141,815	3,401,135
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$175,000						Corruze	
14	<b>Broken Vow</b> <i>(1997) by Unbridled Crops: 15</i>	6	9	2	2	--	--	95	31	228,245	2,007,959
				Stands: Pin Oak Stud KY Fee: \$25,000						Imprimis	
15	<b>Twirling Candy</b> <i>(2007) by Candy Ride (Arg) Crops: 5</i>	5	6	3	4	1	2	134	38	1,041,900	3,687,685
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$40,000						Concrete Rose	

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We welcome your inquiry.



Craig Bernick  
President  
Glen Hill Farm



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**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST**

**LA CANADA S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Der Lu	Orb	Baoma Corporation	Baffert	Van Dyke	4-1
2	Zusha 	Congrats	Rafael Steinbruch	Mandella	Pereira	15-1
3	Queen Bee to You	Old Topper	An Equal Amount of Blueberries, LLC and Vali, Adam	Lerner	Fuentes	3-1
4	Message 	Warrior's Reward	Baoma Corporation	Baffert	Smith	4-1
5	Kaydetre	Mizzen Mast	Ranch Runners Ltd., Inc.	Randall	Blanc	30-
6	Horologist	Gemologist	There's A Chance Stable, Parkland Thoroughbreds, Medallion Racing and Abbondanza Racing, LLC	Baltas	Bravo	4-1
7	Spiced Perfection 	Smiling Tiger	Pantofel Stable, Wachtel Stable and Deutsch, Peter	Miller	Rosario	5-2
8	Starr of Quality	First Dude	Acker, Tom and Lindo, Jon	Spawr	Franco	15-1

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**Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 3:34 p.m. EST****MARSHUA'S RIVER S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Malkia	Animal Kingdom	Laura Cazares	Cazares	Maragh	20-1
2	Piece by Peace 🦄	Declaration of War	Jeff Drown	Brisset	Velazquez	20-1
3	Magic Star 🦄	Scat Daddy	Don Alberto Stable	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	9-2
4	Sweet Bye and Bye	Sky Mesa	Joseph M. Imbesi	Klesaris	Saez	5-2
5	Andina Del Sur	Giant's Causeway	Don Alberto Stable	Albertrani	Castellano	2-1
6	Maroubra (Fr)	Lawman (Fr)	Manganaro Bloodstock & West Point Thoroughbreds	DeVaux	Lopez	8-1
7	Munchkin Money	Freud	Sweet Home Stables, Parkinson, Mark, Martin, Brian Bouchey, Steven and Weintraub, Tony	Clement	Gaffalione	7-2

**Breeders:** 1-Nursery Place, Donaldson & Broadbent, 2-Samac, 3-Betz, D. J. Stables, CoCo, Burns & Magers, 4-Joseph Imbesi, 5-Don Alberto Corporation, 6-Petra Bloodstock Agency Ltd, 7-Dr. Thomas M. Murray

**Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 4:38 p.m. EST****TROPICAL TURF S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Empire of War 🦄	Declaration of War	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Castellano	10-1
2	Maraud 🦄	Blame	Collinsworth Thoroughbred Racing LLC	Orseno	Lopez	9-2
3	Big Agenda	Data Link	Lilli Kurtinecz	Kurtinecz	Prado	20-1
4	Gidu (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Zayat Stables, LLC	Pletcher	Velazquez	7-2
5	Gunnison 🦄	Bernardini	Gunpowder Farms LLC and Hinkle Farms	Rubley	Juarez	20-1
6	Tusk 🦄	Tapit	Jordan V. Wycoff	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	8-1
7	Gemonteer	Distorted Humor	Gelfenstein Farm	Antonucci	Jaramillo	10-1
8	A Thread of Blue 🦄	Hard Spun	Leonard C. Green	McLaughlin	Saez	5-2
9	Exulting 🦄	Tapit	Hui, Michael M., Hooties Racing & WSS Racing	Maker	Ortiz, Jr.	6-1
10	Sand Dancer	Eskendereya	Sea Gull Capital	Hills	Rendon	20-1

**Breeders:** 1-Mr. & Mrs. Kirk Wycoff, 2-John R. Penn & Frank Penn, 3-Mr. & Mrs. Bertram R. Firestone, 4-Ecurie Des Monceaux, 5-Hinkle Farms & Darley, 6-Flaxman Holdings Limited, 7-Millennium Farms & Distorted Humor Syndicate, 8-Flaxman Holdings Limited, 9-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 10-Seagull Associates, LLC

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 4:30 p.m. EST****LAS CIENEGAS S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Storm the Hill 🦄	Get Stormy	Alastar Thoroughbred Company LLC and Valdes, Michael	D'Amato	Prat	9-5
2	Kentan Road	Into Mischief	Keith Abrahams	Sadler	Velez	4-1
3	Jolie Olimpica (Brz)	Drosselmeyer	Fox Hill Farms, Inc.	Mandella	Smith	6-5
4	An Eddie Surprise	Square Eddie	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	8-1
5	Free Cover 🦄	Congrats	ERJ Racing, LLC	Lerner	Fuentes	6-1

**Breeders:** 1-Kimberly S. Bradley & William B. Bradley, 2-Keith Abrahams, 3-Stud T N T, 4-Reddam Racing, LLC, 5-SF Bloodstock



## SATURDAY INSIGHTS: HIGH-POWERED PEDIGREES DOT GULFSTREAM MAIDENS

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### 1st-GP, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, 6f, post time: 12:00 p.m. ET

The well-related **BEAR ALLEY (Will Take Charge)** gets his career underway for the partnership of West Point Thoroughbreds and Albaugh Family Stable. A \$525K acquisition out of the 2018 Keeneland September yearling sale, the March foal is a son of Unbridled Empire (Empire Maker), dam of GISW and GI Pegasus World Cup Turf-bound Arklow (Arch) and the latter's year-younger MGSW close relative Maraud (Blame). Bear Alley, who is therefore bred 3x3 to Unbridled, has a 2-year-old half-sister by Runhappy that was purchased by Japanese interests for \$340K at KEESEP this past fall and a yearling half-brother from the first crop of Gun Runner.

Bear Alley faces Phipps Stable homebred **Awakened (Curlin)**, whose MGSW/GISP dam Daydreaming (A.P. Indy) has produced the likes of GISW Imagining (Giant's Causeway), MSP Reflecting (Elusive Quality) and SP Browse (Medaglia d'Oro). Under the colt's GSW second dam Get Lucky (Mr. Prospector) are GISWs Girolamo (A.P. Indy), Got Lucky (A.P. Indy) and Bluegrass Cat (Storm Cat) and GI Kentucky Derby hero Super Saver (Maria's Mon). Grade I-winning third dam Dance Number (Northern Dancer) produced Eclipse Award winner Rhythm (Mr. Prospector). The cross of Curlin over Seattle Slew-line mares has resulted in GISWs Stellar Wind, Exaggerator and Off the Tracks.

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### 3rd-GP, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, 1m, post time: 1:04 p.m. ET

Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable, who are in the running for an Eclipse Award with GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero Vino Rosso, unveil another son of the Hill 'n' Dale stalwart in the form of **AWESOME PARTY (Curlin)**. Offered in utero at KEENOV in 2016, but bought back when bidding stalled at \$475K, the May 4 foal validated the decision when hammering for \$700K at KEESEP in 2018. The bay is out of an unraced half-sister to SW Street Secret (Street Cry {Ire}), dam of Australian MG1SP Frankely Awesome {Aus} (Frankel {GB}). Third dam Anzille (Plugged Nickle) was a half-sister to Urban Sea (Miswaki), dam of Galileo (Ire) and Sea the Stars (Ire).

**Eminent Domain (American Pharoah)** is a son of Illinois-bred Dundalk Dust (Military), winner of the GII Falls City H. before being purchased for \$270K in foal to More Than Ready at KEENOV in 2014. Consigned to last year's OBS April Sale by Niall Brennan, the colt fetched \$500K from Maverick Racing after breezing an eighth of a mile in :10 2/5. Eminent Domain is campaigned in partnership by breeder China Horse Club and WinStar and debuts in the colors of the latter. **TJCIS PPs**

### 4th-GP, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, 1m, post time: 1:33 p.m. ET

Wygod Equine-bred **PALM SPRINGS (Uncle Mo)** was one of five of his sire's crop of 2017 to sell for a seven-figure sum when realizing \$1 million from WinStar/China Horse Club at KEESEP in 2018. The bay is the first foal to make the races from Sweet Bliss (Street Cry {Ire}), a Grade II-placed half-sister to MGPS Saint Vigueur (Smart Strike). Sweet Life (Kris S.), the 2009 Broodmare of the Year, is the colt's third dam and is one of just five mares to account for multiple Breeders' Cup winners (Sweet Catomine, 2002; and Life Is Sweet, 2005).

**Alfatei (Pioneerof the Nile)**, a \$210K KEENOV weanling turned \$475K KEESEP yearling, is out of a winning half-sister to She's All Eltish (Eltish), winner of this track's GII Bonnie Miss S. back in 2008. **TJCIS PPs**

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**3rd-Aqueduct, \$68,740, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-10, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:19.15, ft.**

**SECRET RULES (c, 3, Secret Circle--Missy Rules {SW, \$146,270}, by Peace Rules),** third behind 'TDN Rising Star' Gouverneur Morris (Constitution) and a next-out Keeneland maiden special weight winner in the Saratoga slop Sept. 2, went one better behind the well-regarded Bellavia (Honor Code) at Belmont Oct. 23. He broke through by a neck over track and trip Nov. 30, and was 9-10 to clear his next condition here. Ridden along from his rail draw to take a narrow early advantage, the bay doled out pressured splits of :22.41 and :46.20. He floated off the fence a bit entering the stretch, and took a few reminders to figure out his leads, but proved not for catching as he streaked home 8 3/4 lengths to the good of Polar Bear Pete (Broken Vow). The winner's dam, who is a half to MGSW Umpateedle (Suave Prospect), produced a Liam's Map filly in 2018 and a Divining Rod colt in 2019. She sold for \$10,000 at last month's Fasig-

Tipton Midlantic December Mixed Sale while back in foal to Divining Rod, while her then-weanling went for \$14,000. Sales history: \$5,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$75,000 2yo '19 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$102,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**3rd-Santa Anita, \$56,360, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.81, ft.**

**PERSEPOLIS (m, 5, War Front--Along {Ire}, by Smart Strike)** broke through at third asking going turf to dirt in a Los Alamitos sprint Sept. 19, and was second here Oct. 27 before filling the same slot when stretched to a mile behind impressive winner Carressa (Uncle Mo) at Del Mar Nov. 22. Backed as the second choice at 11-5, she tracked runaway favorite Velvet Queen (Animal Kingdom) from the fence before turning up the pressure midway down the backside and going as far as to poke a head in front approaching the second bend. That pair separated themselves from another foe heading for home, and engaged in a stretch-long duel that saw Persepolis land the final blow and hit the line a neck in front. **Cont. p3**

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Hailing from the female family of Galileo (Ire) and Sea the Stars (Ire), the winner's dam was bred to Into Mischief for 2020. Sales history: \$525,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$82,512. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**10th-Gulfstream, \$44,000, (S), Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 5ft, :54.77, fm.**

**LADY GRACE (f, 4, [Kantharos](#)--Smart Sis, by Beau Genius)**

knocked on the door for awhile before eventually breaking through in her sixth attempt in an abbreviated Woodbine event in April. She ran right back to that form when rallying into third and belying 20-1 odds in that venue's William D. Graham Memorial S. on the lawn June 8, but went missing thereafter. Competing in Florida-bred restricted company for the first time here, 5-1 shot broke alertly but was soon outfooted by the frontrunners and sat in four down on the inside. Finding her feet as she waited for running room in behind the leader in upper stretch, she gamely split rivals midway down the lane and outkicked Sweet Yare N Dira (Biondeti) to get the job done by a length. The winner is half to Sis City (Slew City Slew), GISW, \$795,764. Sales history: \$300,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-1, \$104,259. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**8th-Fair Grounds, \$41,710, (S), Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:43.29, sy.**

**SHANG (c, 4, [Shanghai Bobby](#)--Humble Janet {MGSP, \$189,050}, by Humble Eleven)** capped a four-race win streak in the local Crescent City Derby last March, but found himself off the board in both the Gill Stonestreet Lexington S. and Oaklawn Park Invitational S. before returning to winning ways in the Louisiana Legends Cheval S. at Evangeline in May. He had been off since crossing the line third, but being moved up to second after being interfered with in the July 5 Iowa Derby, and was away as a heavy 7-10 favorite while facing just three foes. Splashing through splits of :24.57, :47.99 and 1:12.86, he was never seriously threatened as he crossed the line 5 1/2 lengths to the good of Underpressure (Birdstone). The winner's MGSP dam sold for just \$500 at the 2018 ESLA Mixed Sale while in foal to El Deal. Having previously produced a Tapiture colt in 2018, she was bred back to Good Samaritan after foaling the

aforementioned El Deal colt. Sales history: \$90,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: MSW, 10-6-2-0, \$291,100. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-L. William & Corinne Heiligbrodt; B-Cloyce C. Clark (LA); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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**5th-Aqueduct, \$65,960, Msw, 1-10, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.89, ft.**  
**PERSISTO (f, 3, [Orb](#)--Vivere, by War Front)** finished a close second around two turns at Monmouth Oct. 13, and was third by just a neck here Nov. 15. A well-beaten second over track and trip Dec. 12, she was 11-10 to finally break through. Loping along in second while out in the clear, the bay poked a head in front under confident handling at the top of the lane and inched away from there to don cap and gown by 1 3/4 lengths. Halo City (Commissioner) got up into second. The winner has a short yearling full-sister and her dam was bred back to Runhappy. Sales history: \$25,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, \$68,900. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**1st-Santa Anita, \$60,780, Msw, 1-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2ft, 1:03.08, fm.**

**LAVENDER (IRE) (f, 4, [Born To Sea](#) {Ire}--Goldthroat {Ire}, by [Zafonic](#))** was second in each of a pair of starts for owner/trainer Paddy Twomey in Ireland in September and October of 2018, but hadn't been seen since being purchased for 70,000gns at that year's Tattersalls December sale. With a nondescript series of works on display, she was off at 57-10, but promptly made up for lost time. The bay grabbed a nice midpack spot along the rail early and was scrubbed on to keep pace into the turn. Eventually working her way into the clear in upper stretch, she kicked picked off foes willingly for an auspicious 1 3/4-length tally over newcomer Dance Costume (Union Rags). The winner, the second in America for her French-based (Alain Chopard's Haras des Faunes) sire, is half to Zafisio (Ire) (Efisio {GB}), G1SW-Fr, GSW-Ger, SW-GB, GSP-Ire, \$475,117; and Lansky (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), GSP-Eng & UAE. **Cont. p4**

**1st-SA cont.**

She has a 2-year-old half-sister by Markaz (Ire) and a short yearling half-brother by Alhebayeb (Ire). Sales history: €40,000 Ylg '17 TIRSEP; 70,000gns 2yo '18 TATMA. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$41,209. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**2nd-Gulfstream, \$43,000, (S), Msw, 1-10, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12.31, ft. FREEZER BURN (f, 3, Kantharos--Trippi Honor, by Trippi)** was third as the favorite in an open event at Gulfstream Park West Oct. 13, and second as the chalk in a spot like this one Nov. 29. Again the public's pick, this time at 19-10, the chestnut broke alertly before settling into a stalking spot behind dueling leaders. She revved up three wide to challenge for command near the quarter pole, and shook free in upper stretch. Longshot firster Shazzy B (Uncaptured) cut it close late, but Freezer Burn found the line with a neck to spare. The winner's dam produced an Uncaptured colt in 2018 and a Wildcat Red filly in 2019 before being bred back to the former. Sales history: \$87,000 2yo '19 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$39,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-e Five Racing Thoroughbreds; B-Honors Stable Corporation (FL); T-David Fawkes.

**4th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,400, Msw, 1-10, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22.14, ft.**

**MUNGOJERRIE (g, 4, Declaration of War--Jellicle Song, by Street Cry {Ire})** failed to run to favoritism when seventh first out on the Keeneland grass Oct. 9, but showed what that early buzz may have been about when running a much-improved race to check in second by a head turf routing here Dec. 14. With every one of his foes with experience having already made at least one start in the maiden claiming ranks, the Jackson homebred was pounded down to 3-10 favoritism here despite the surface switch and ran to it to the tune of a 16 1/2-length graduation tally after attending the pace. Fifty Over (Uncle Mo) was second. The winner is out of an unraced daughter of MGISW Precious Kitten (Catienus), who in turn produced GSW/MGISP Divining Rod (Tapit) and is a half to none other than top sire Kitten's Joy. This is also the female family of champion 2-year-old filly Dreaming of Anna (Rahy), et al. Jellicle Song has a newly turned 2-year-old colt by Candy Ride (Arg) and visited Into Mischief for 2020. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$16,355. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Lael Stables; B-M. Roy Jackson (KY); T-Arnaud Delacour.

**7th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,000, Msw, 1-10, 3yo, 5ft, :56.69, fm.**

**SUMMER ASSAULT (g, 3, Summer Front--Quality Included, by Include)**, working since November for this debut, became the 19th winner for his sire (by War Front) with a smooth trip. Well off early fractions of :20.95 and :44.88, the bay was roused on the turn, swung wide, and mowed down the leaders to win going away by 2 1/2 lengths, paying \$18.80. Favored fellow first-time starter My Eclair (Speightstown) held the runner-up spot after setting the pace. Quality Included was bred to Girvin for this season. Sales History: \$80,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKJUL; \$15,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$45,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$12,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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7-Sunland, Msw 6f, CEBOLLA, 5-2  
3-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, EMINENT DOMAIN, 15-1  
\$500,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Bayern** (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000  
157 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, LIAM'S FIRE, 6-1  
\$75,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS OPN 2yo  
6-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, SIR KAHN, 30-1  
\$18,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$65,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$85,000 RNA OBS  
APR 2yo; \$28,000 OBS OPN 2yo  
1-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, TIO WIL, 6-1  
\$75,000 KEE SEP yrl

**The Big Beast** (Yes It's True), Ocala Stud, \$6,000  
102 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Sunland, Msw 6f, ARROGANT BEAST, 12-1  
\$21,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$20,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Boat Trip** (Harlan's Holiday), Special T Thoroughbreds, \$2,500  
31 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner  
9-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, MISS RYLEIGH, 3-1

**Carpe Diem** (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$15,000  
231 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners  
7-Sam Houston Race, Msw 6f, CARPE EROS, 6-1  
\$125,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Circumference (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), Milky Way Farms, \$3,000  
41 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
9-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, PHOENIX TEARS, 12-1  
9-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, SASSYSERB, 7-2  
\$32,000 BAR SEL yrl

**Constitution** (Tapit), WinStar Farm, \$40,000  
233 foals of racing age/29 winners/5 black-type winners  
3-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, BOURBON WISDOM, 10-1  
\$85,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$100,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Danza** (Street Boss), Fair Winds Farm, \$2,500  
140 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, PITCHING ARI, 5-2

**Daredevil** (More Than Ready), Turkish Jockey Club, private  
158 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-Sam Houston Race, Msw 6f, DYNAMO KID, 10-1  
\$50,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$52,000 FTK OCT yrl  
7-Santa Anita, Msw 5 1/2ft, SWEET DEVIL, 8-1  
\$90,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Golden Lad** (Medaglia d'Oro), Northview Stallion Station, \$5,000  
124 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners  
1-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, MR. PHILLY DILLY, 7-2  
\$115,000 OBS OPN 2yo  
7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, OCCHI D'ORO, 12-1  
\$9,500 RNA EAS OCT yrl

**Govenor Charlie** (Midnight Lute), Lovacres Ranch, \$3,000  
57 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
9-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, GOVENESS SHEILA, 50-1

**Honor Code** (A.P. Indy), Lane's End Farm, \$30,000  
213 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Santa Anita, Msw 5 1/2ft, DON'T UNZIP ME, 8-1  
\$130,000 KEE NOV wnl  
1-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, ROGUE ELEMENT, 12-1  
\$250,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Khozan** (Distorted Humor), Journeyman Stud, \$8,500  
130 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners  
7-Gulfstream, Aoc 1 1/16m, GANGLY, 12-1  
\$9,000 OBS WIN wnl  
7-Gulfstream, Aoc 1 1/16m, LURE HIM IN, 6-1

**Last Gunfighter** (First Samurai), Pin Oak Lane Farm  
36 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
5-Delta Downs, Msw 6 1/2f, LAST BATTLE, 5-2  
\$18,000 OBS WIN wnl

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 6-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, MILITARIST, 6-1  
 \$70,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$295,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo  
 1-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, SILVER RATIO, 4-1  
 \$320,000 KEE SEP yrl  
 7-Gulfstream, Aoc 1 1/16m, SOUNION, 7-2  
 \$360,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Medal Count** (Dynaformer), Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm, \$2,000  
 81 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
 7-Sam Houston Race, Msw 6f, CHAKODA, 10-1  
 \$14,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

**Night of Thunder (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud, \$25,000  
 180 foals of racing age/28 winners/7 black-type winners  
 7-Santa Anita, Msw 5 1/2ft, RAKASSAH (Ire), 7-2  
 €25,000 GOF NOV wnl; £40,000 GOU KPR yrl; 40,000gns TAT  
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**Palace** (City Zip), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000  
 151 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner  
 1-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, SAG HARBOR, 8-1  
 \$75,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$125,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Palace Malice** (Curlin), Three Chimneys Farm, \$25,000  
 211 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners  
 3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, TRY TRY AGAIN, 5-1

**Secret Circle** (Eddington), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$5,000  
 62 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners  
 9-Fair Grounds, Alw 6f, REACH THE CIRCLE, 20-1

**Tapiture** (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500  
 246 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners  
 3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, GUCCISSIMO, 15-1  
 \$3,500 KEE SEP yrl; \$9,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$6,000 OBS OPN 2yo  
 3-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, POINT DRIVEN, 12-1  
 \$47,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$160,000 OBS APR 2yo  
 7-Sunland, Msw 6f, TAPPIN FORA DANCE, 8-1  
 \$90,000 KEE SEP yrl  
 7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, TAPPING THE GLASS, 7-2  
 \$22,000 KEE SEP yrl  
 4-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, TOUCHPOINT, 10-1  
 \$25,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$95,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Tonalist** (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000  
 179 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner  
 3-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, TONS OF GOLD, 10-1  
 \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$25,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

**Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun), Spendthrift Farm, \$6,000  
 231 foals of racing age/28 winners/1 black-type winner  
 3-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, TELEPHONE TALKER, 6-5



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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**6th-Aqueduct, \$72,277, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.44, ft.**

**FORGOTTEN HERO (f, 4, Mission Impazible--Seattle Ash, by Seattle Sleet)** Lifetime Record: SW, 12-3-0-0, \$182,644.  
 O-John T. Toscano, Jr. & Charles E. Festa, Jr.; B-Sequel Stallions NY & Charles E. Festa Jr. (NY); T-John T. Toscano, Jr.

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**8th-Laurel, \$53,550, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.69, my.**

**FACTOR IT IN (c, 4, The Factor--Speightlass, by Speightstown)**  
 Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-0, \$123,215. O-Michael Scheffres;  
 B-Pope McLean, Marc McLean, Pope McLean Jr. & Phil Hager (KY); T-Carlos A. Mancilla. \*\$75,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

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**5th-Laurel, \$53,088, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-10, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40.06, my.**

**LONG POINT BEACH (f, 3, Golden Lad--Oriental River, by Orientate)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$65,904. O-Five Hellions Farm; B-Hillwood Stables, LCC (MD); T-Lacey Gaudet. \*\$50,000 2yo '19 EASMAY.

**5th-Delta Downs, \$40,000, (S), 1-9, (NW2L), 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:22.48, ft.**

**DA DUE RUN RUN (f, 4, Due Date--Run N Sassy, by Run Production)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-4, \$62,190.  
 O-Dianne B. Dunham; B-L. H. Dunham (LA); T-Randy Pedigo.



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**8th-Delta Downs, \$36,720**, 1-9, (NW3L), 4yo/up, 5f, :58.24, ft. **TAPIZARS SECRET (g, 4, Tapizar--Unobstructed View {GSP}, by Yes It's True)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-5-1, \$115,110. O-Lee Lasater; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Chris Richard. \*\$100,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Blueridge Traveler (To Honor and Serve), SW & GSP, \$415,333; Honor Up (To Honor and Serve), MSW & GISP, \$392,743.

**5th-Sunland, \$28,100**, 1-10, (C), 4yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:02.70, ft. **CONQUEST SMARTEE (h, 6, Smart Strike--Forty Gran {MSP}, by El Gran Senor)** Lifetime Record: SP, 20-3-6-5, \$127,412. O-Stable H. M. A.; B-My Meadowview LLC (KY); T-Bart G. Hone. \*\$425,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$390,000 2yo '16 KEENOV. \*\*Full to Square Eddie, GISW-US, GSP-Eng, \$856,019; 1/2 to Reverently (Pulpit), SP, \$150,402.

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**3rd-Charles Town, \$28,000**, 1-9, (NW2LX), 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53.13, ft.

**HALFWAY (f, 4, Tapit--Every Way {MGSP, \$222,254}, by City Zip)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$35,356. O-Todd Crow; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Troy Newton. \*\$35,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT.

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**5th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$23,500**, Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 1-10, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.68, fm.

**PHANTOM OPENING (m, 6, Arch--Phantom Rising, by Mr. Greeley)** Lifetime Record: 21-4-1-2, \$139,399. O-Surfside Stables, LLC; B-Warrender Associates & Diane Curry (KY); T-Jordan Blair. \*\$60,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$45,000 5yo '19 KEEJAN.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Power Forward**, f, 3, **Competitive Edge**--Hard to Get, by Not For Love. Charles Town, 1-9, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.91. B-Coleswood Farm, Inc. (WV). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*1/2 to Slip the Cable (Midshipman), MSW, \$379,114; Weekend Liberty (Midshipman), MSP, \$229,964.

**Be With Us**, f, 3, **Hampton Court (Aus)**--Be With Me, by Corinthian. Charles Town, 1-9, 7f, 1:30.73. B-Ikhana Farm, McEntee Bloodstock & Racing LLC & Trachsel Farms LLC (KY). **Friday's Best**, g, 3, **Sum of the Parts**--Feels Like Friday, by Anet. Fair Grounds, 1-10, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.05. B-Stewart M Madison (LA). \*\$16,000 RNA Ylg '18 ESLYRL.

**Shelley's Gem**, f, 3, **Tale of Ekati**--Run for Gold (SW, \$124,276), by Gold Spring (Arg). Turfway, 1-9, 1m (AWT), 1:38.60. B-William C. Chaudoin (KY).

**Make a Stand**, c, 3, **Union Rags**--Graser (Ire) (MSP, \$116,578), by Motivator (GB). Gulfstream, 1-10, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:41.40. B-The Elkstone Group LLC (MD). \*\$95,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP.

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**Comet Causey**, g, 4, **The Way Home**--Shine Miss Comet, by Comet Shine. Sunland, 1-10, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:18.40. B-Susan K Vescovo (NM). \*1/2 to Shining Source (Source), SW, \$583,158; Kimbell (Western Gambler), SP, \$168,271.



**ARCH**, Phantom Opening, m, 6, o/o Phantom Rising, by Mr. Greeley. AOC, 1-10, Tampa Bay

**BORN TO SEA (IRE)**, Lavender (Ire), f, 4, o/o Goldthroat (Ire), by Zafonic. MSW, 1-10, Santa Anita

**COMPETITIVE EDGE**, Power Forward, f, 3, o/o Hard to Get, by Not For Love. MSW, 1-9, Charles Town

**DECLARATION OF WAR**, Mungojerrie, g, 4, o/o Jellicle Song, by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 1-10, Tampa Bay

**DUE DATE**, Da Due Run Run, f, 4, o/o Run N Sassy, by Run Production. ALW, 1-9, Delta Downs

**GOLDEN LAD**, Long Point Beach, f, 3, o/o Oriental River, by Orientate. AOC, 1-10, Laurel

**HAMPTON COURT (AUS)**, Be With Us, f, 3, o/o Be With Me, by Corinthian. MSW, 1-9, Charles Town

**KANTHAROS**, Freezer Burn, f, 3, o/o Trippi Honor, by Trippi. MSW, 1-10, Gulfstream

**KANTHAROS**, Lady Grace, f, 4, o/o Smart Sis, by Beau Genius. AOC, 1-10, Gulfstream



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**MISSION IMPAZIBLE**, Forgotten Hero, f, 4, o/o Seattle Ash, by Seattle Sleet. AOC, 1-10, Aqueduct

**ORB**, Persisto, f, 3, o/o Vivere, by War Front. MSW, 1-10, Aqueduct

**SECRET CIRCLE**, Secret Rules, c, 3, o/o Missy Rules, by Peace Rules. AOC, 1-10, Aqueduct

**SHANGHAI BOBBY**, Shang, c, 4, o/o Humble Janet, by Humble Eleven. AOC, 1-10, Fair Grounds

**SMART STRIKE**, Conquest Smartee, h, 6, o/o Forty Gran, by El Gran Senor. ALW, 1-10, Sunland

**SUM OF THE PARTS**, Friday's Best, g, 3, o/o Feels Like Friday, by Anet. MSW, 1-10, Fair Grounds

**SUMMER FRONT**, Summer Assault, g, 3, o/o Quality Included, by Include. MSW, 1-10, Tampa Bay

**TALE OF EKATI**, Shelley's Gem, f, 3, o/o Run for Gold, by Gold Spring (Arg). MSW, 1-9, Turfway

**TAPIT**, Halfway, f, 4, o/o Every Way, by City Zip. ALW, 1-9, Charles Town

**TAPIZAR**, Tapizars Secret, g, 4, o/o Unobstructed View, by Yes It's True. ALW, 1-9, Delta Downs

**THE FACTOR**, Factor It In, c, 4, o/o Speightlass, by Speightstown. AOC, 1-10, Laurel

**THE WAY HOME**, Comet Causey, g, 4, o/o Shine Miss Comet, by Comet Shine. MSW, 1-10, Sunland

**UNION RAGS**, Make a Stand, c, 3, o/o Graser (Ire), by Motivator (GB). MCL, 1-10, Gulfstream

**WAR FRONT**, Persepolis, m, 5, o/o Along (Ire), by Smart Strike. AOC, 1-10, Santa Anita



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Waldgeist enters stud at Ballylinch | Scoop Dyga

By Daithi Harvey

It is hard to believe this is the fifth year in a row I have traversed rural Ireland on the Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Irish Stallion Trail, and while it represents a unique chance for the general public who are interested in the bloodstock industry to get a glimpse of some household stallion names, for me personally it provides a lovely opportunity to see the new kids on the block who will be covering mares for the first time this spring. The majority of these are not long out of competition and thus many bear more resemblance to a horse in training rather than a stallion, and another great feature of the trail is to see the physical alteration that occurs to many stallions year on year, in particular the ones who had been freshmen the previous

year. My one regret is not being able to get to more farms but deadlines, daylight and speed limits dictate that only a handful can be reached during the hours of business.

Adhering to a strict schedule is key to fitting in as many visits as possible, as is an early start, so with that in mind and considering he was one of only a few stallion masters opening their doors at 9 a.m., it was to Ballyhane Stud first to see Joe Foley and Steve Parkin's new recruit **Soldier's Call (GB)**. The son of Showcasing (GB) appears the type of stallion Foley has been so successful in managing over the years and he arguably has even more commercial appeal than the likes of Captain Rio (GB) and Dandy Man (Ire) when they started off, albeit that is reflected in his opening fee of €10,000. Lest anyone needs reminding Soldier's Call was a precocious, fast and classy juvenile that won the Listed Windsor Castle S. at Royal Ascot, the G3 Prix d'Arenberg at Chantilly and the G2 Flying Childers S. at Doncaster. He also took on his elders with distinction when third in that same season's G1 Prix de l'Abbaye at ParisLongchamp. Although winless at three, he enhanced his profile with solid placings against the world's best sprinters in both the G1 King's Stand S. and the G1 Nunthorpe S. and Foley said he is understandably excited about launching him this spring.

I couldn't leave without a quick look at Ballyhane's poster boy Dandy Man (Ire). He will stand this year at €15,000, which is the highest price that a Ballyhane stallion has commanded to date.

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**Same Studs, Exciting New Names cont. from p1**

"I could have stood him for higher, the demand was there, but the way the market is at the moment I decided to leave him at €15,000," Foley said. "He's a great stallion and his progress has been so relentless; let's hope Soldier's Call will be as successful. He's certainly a similar model to Dandy Man and anyone that has seen him has been very impressed," he added.

To Coolmore next, and there was no time to waste as I was keen to make the opening 10 a.m. show where I was looking forward in particular to seeing the rookies **Calyx (GB)**, **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)** and **Magna Grecia (Ire)**. Calyx, the first son of Kingman (GB) to retire to stud in Ireland, had only a short career, running just four times.

However, there were signs of brilliance on three of those

outings, namely when he beat subsequent triple Group 1 winner Advertise (GB) in the G2 Coventry S. in 2018 and also when he blitzed his opponents in the G3 Commonwealth Cup Trial S. at Ascot in May of last year. His racing career was cut short but the

Kingman factor and his obvious raw talent were enough to see Coolmore swoop to secure him for their roster, with his breeder Juddmonte Farms retaining a share in him.

After a perfect juvenile campaign that was crowned with a win in the G1 Juddmonte Middle Park S., Ten Sovereigns had an in-and-out 3-year-old season, the highlight of which was his sparkling win in the G1 Darley July Cup. He still did more than enough to earn a berth in Coolmore and he is quite a taking individual with plenty of scope

and loads of quality. The fact that his sire No Nay Never's covering fee has gone beyond the reach of many breeders should ensure no shortage of suitors for his services this year.



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Having ended his juvenile season in style when winning the G1 Vertem Futurity Trophy in 2018, Magna Grecia resumed 2019 in similar fashion when running out a clear-cut winner of the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas. He didn't fire, however, in the G1 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas and after a period on the sidelines his racing career ended with another below-par effort at Ascot in October. This son of Invincible Spirit (Ire), however, lacks absolutely nothing from a physical point of view and is one of the more imposing horses on the roster.

Commenting on Coolmore's new additions Mark Byrne, himself a recent enough team member, said, "It's good to have three new horses retiring that each offer something different. Obviously we've been huge on Galileo (Ire) but now we are beginning to see Galileo's influence come through as a broodmare sire of stallions with the success last year of Night Of Thunder (Ire). So with Magna Grecia also out of a Galileo mare we are hoping that might follow on. There is still huge demand for No Nay Never despite his fee hike so that augurs well for Ten Sovereigns, and Calyx won a lot of admirers with the blistering pace he showed so there is plenty to be optimistic about."

At six years of age, **Waldgeist (GB)** is twice as old as some other stallions retiring to stud this year and one hopes that his impeccable race record that saw him log four Group 1 wins--including an epic defeat of Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the 2019 G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe--will see the son of Galileo get the support he deserves. In a precocity obsessed industry breeders should not forget the new Ballylinch stallion was a Group 1 winning 2-year-old and his ability to withstand the

rigours of competing with the very best in the world for four seasons should not be underestimated. As he was paraded in front of viewers at Ballylinch, the stud's Eoin Fives revealed that

part owner Gestut Ammerland would be sending 14 mares to him this year, including Group 1 winner Grey Lilas (Ire) (Danehill) while Date With Destiny (Ire), best known as the only progeny of the late George Washington (Ire) is also booked in.

Ballylinch is of course home to a six-figure stallion now in **Lope De Vega (Ire)**, who embarks on the 2020 covering season on a fee of €100,000. Interestingly, he was kept ticking over in the off season by covering a select group of mares on Southern Hemisphere

time, including the dual Group 1 winner Viddora (Aus) (I Am Invincible {Aus}). Another 6-year-old four-time Group 1 winner retiring to stud this year is **Blue Point (Ire)** but Darley's son of Shamardal will be operating at the other end of the distance spectrum to Waldgeist. Blue Point achieved a rare feat in 2019 when winning the opening day's G1 King's Stand S. at Royal Ascot and bouncing out four days later to follow up in the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. In doing so, he became the only horse to win three Group 1 sprints at Royal Ascot, having also won the King's Stand in 2018. He retires to stud at a fee of €45,000 at a time when his own sire Shamardal's stock could not be any higher following an annus mirabilis in 2019 thanks to star juveniles Pinatubo (Ire), Earthlight (Ire) and Victor Ludorum (GB).

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I was delighted my arrival in Kildangan also coincided with **Night Of Thunder (Ire)** being paraded, Europe's leading 2019 first season sire having returned to his land of birth after a stint at Dalham Hall in Newmarket. It's no doubt great news for Irish breeders and his 2020 fee of €25,000 seems eminently fair considering he sired seven stakes winners in his first crop.

Next up was the Irish National Stud, where **Phoenix Of Spain (Ire)** is the new offering. The son of Lope De Vega was another of last season's 3-year-olds who threatened to be a dominant force but who could not quite replicate his early season best performance, which came in beating Too Darn Hot (GB) by three lengths in the G1 Irish

2000 Guineas at The Curragh. He is a fine, big, good-walking horse and I imagine Cathal Beale and the INS team are delighted to have him. He is also being well supported this year by a range of domestic and international breeders including SF Bloodstock, who have committed nine mares to him. At 23 years of age,



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fellow INS stallion **Invincible Spirit (Ire)** is the oldest stallion among the top 10 sires list in Ireland and Britain, but he certainly isn't showing his advancing years, looking remarkably youthful as he paraded with his long-serving groom Michael 'Daffer' Kelly.

Then again, he probably heard about his upcoming date with the fantastic Laurens (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), a prospect that ought to put a pep in his step.

Facing into a sixth and final viewing of the day, the old Merc was literally sucking diesel at this stage but there were enough fumes to get me to Yeomanstown Stud outside Naas before calling it a day. **Invincible Army (Ire)** is the O'Callaghans new offering for 2020 and at the beginning of the 2019 flat

season this fellow looked set to make the breakthrough to Group 1 level after an impressive early season win in the G2 Duke Of York S. However, he could not quite make that last, most difficult leap into elite company, but still posted some decent efforts at the top level.

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According to Guy O'Callaghan, who along with his brother Robert was providing front of house support to their father Gay, the Yeomanstown team had been tracking the progress of Invincible Army ever since David O'Callaghan spotted him at the Craven Breeze up two and a half years ago. They had to be patient though and only sealed the deal to stand the son of Invincible Spirit in September.

"We are really thrilled to have gotten him, there was a lot of competition for him but thankfully he came our way," said Guy O'Callaghan. "Credit has to go to David for noticing him first. He is a beautiful horse with a great temperament and he is a great addition to the roster here."

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## BRITAIN

### 16 STALLIONS SET FOR GOFFS UK NH SHOWCASE

A total of 16 stallions will be featured at the 2020 Thoroughbred Breeders Association NH Stallion Showcase at the Goffs UK sales complex in Doncaster Jan. 21, the first day of the Goffs UK January Sale. Stallions will be available for viewing between 9a.m. and 3p.m. Stallions represented are Dartmouth (GB), Dragon Dancer (GB), Falco, Flag Of Honour (Ire), Forever Now (GB), Frammassone (Ire), Frontiersman (GB), Gentlewave (Ire), Harbour Law (GB), Jack Hobbs (GB), Linda's Lad (GB), Masterstroke, Pether's Moon (Ire), Scalo (GB), Sun Central (Ire), and Telescope (Ire).

"We are pleased to be returning to Doncaster for the fourth annual TBA NH Stallion Showcase and our thanks go to the team at Goffs UK for continuing to support us and initiatives to help NH breeders," TBA Chief Executive Claire Sheppard said. "The event continues to grow in popularity as many breeders and purchasers visiting the sales take the opportunity to view the upcoming and established sires of jump racing."

The silent auction will accept bids until 3p.m. Jan. 21. Advance bids will also be accepted by phone or email prior to the event and all received bids will be confirmed in writing. Successful bidders will be contacted after the event. For more information, contact [info@thetba.co.uk](mailto:info@thetba.co.uk).

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**Friday's Result:**

**5th-Wolverhampton, £5,300, Novice, 1-10, 3yo, 12f 51y (AWT), 2:40.70, st.**

**WALEYDD (GB) (c, 3, Nathaniel {Ire}--Ta Ammol {GB}, by Halling),** who was runner-up over 10 furlongs at Newcastle when last seen in November, travelled strongly behind the front trio early. Sent to the front approaching the furlong pole, the 1-5 favourite was cajoled to the line as Marcela de Vega (GB) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) bore down and had a neck to spare over that rival. The winner is the first live foal out of an unraced half to the talented Sajjhaa (GB) (King's Best), a dual listed scorer who was second in two renewals of the G2 Middleton S. in England before capturing the G1 Dubai Duty Free, G1 Jebel Hatta, G2 Balanchine and G2 Cape Verdi in Dubai. A granddaughter of the G3 Lancashire Oaks winner and G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Noushkey (GB) (Polish Precedent), she has a 2-year-old filly by Golden Horn (GB) and a yearling full-brother of the winner to follow. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$8,924. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sh.eikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (GB); T-Roger Varian.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Lua De Mel (Ire), f, 3, Casamento (Ire)--Selfara (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB).** Lingfield, 1-10, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:11.49. B-Mount Coote Stud & A. Warrender (IRE). \*€14,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

## IRELAND

**CONDITIONS RESULT:**

**Dundalk, €13,000, 1-10, 4yo/up, 8f (AWT), 1:39.89, st.**  
**BOWERMAN (GB) (g, 6, Dutch Art {GB}--Jamboretta {Ire}, by Danehill)** Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-1, \$51,200. O-Total Recall Racing Club; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-A McGuinness. \*150,000gns Ylg '15 TAOCT; 52,000gns HRA '19 TATJUL.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Moll (Ire), f, 3, Camelot (GB)--Jamm (Ire), by Duke of Marmalade (Ire).** Dundalk, 1-10, 8f (AWT), 1:40.44. B-Coolmore (IRE). \*€3,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

**Ela Katrina (GB), f, 4, Kendargent (Fr)--Ela Athena (GB) (GSW & MG1SP-Eng, MG1SP-US, G1SP-HK & Ity, \$1,125,252), by Ezzoud (Ire).** Dundalk, 1-10, 10f 150y (AWT), 2:16.85. B-Newsells Park Stud (GB). 35,000gns RNA Ylg '17 TAOCT; 30,000gns 3yo '19 TATMA. \*\*1/2 to Pallasator (GB) (Motivator {GB}), MGSW-Eng, \$720,947.

## FRANCE

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Mira Star (Ire), f, 3, Sea the Stars (Ire)--Spinaminnie (Ire), by Moss Vale (Ire).** Marseille-Pont-de-Vivieux, 1-10, 10f (AWT), 2:09.68. B-Linacre House Ltd (IRE). \*€110,000 Wlg '17 GOFNOV; 120,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT.

**IN SINGAPORE:**

**Spirit of Big Bang (Ire), g, 5, Intikhab--Crossing (GB) (MSP-Ire, \$150,431), by Cape Cross (Ire).** Kranji, 1-10, Hcp. (£28k/€33k), 1600mT, 1:35.26. B-Keelogue Stables. \*€24,000 Ylg '16 TISEP; €55,000 2yo '17 GORMAY. **VIDEO**



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**L'ORMARINS QUEEN'S PLATE-G1**, R1500000, 4yo/up, 1600mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Do It Again (SAf)	Twice Over (GB)	Fourie	Snaith	132
2	Rainbow Bridge (SAf)	Ideal World	Lerena	Sands	132
3	Soqrat (Aus)	Epaulette (Aus)	Murray	de Kock	132
4	Hawwaam (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Marcus	de Kock	132
5	Vardy (SAf)	Var	Zackey	Ad. Marcus	132
6	One World (SAf)	Captain Al (SAf)	Byleveld	Marshall	132
7	Twist of Fate (SAf)	Master of My Fate (SAf)	Domeyer	Marcus	132
8	Undercover Agent (SAf)	Captain Al (SAf)	Orffer	Crawford	132
9	Pack Leader (SAf)	Philanthropist	Winnaar	Kotzen	132
10	Crown Towers (Aus)	Camelot (GB)	Fayd'Herbe	Snaith	132

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa post time: 4:05 p.m.**

**CARTIER PADDOCK S.-G1**, R1000000, f/m, 3yo/up, 1800mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Miyabi Gold (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Fayd'Herbe	Snaith	132
2	Platinum Class (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Lerena	Snaith	132
3	Front and Centre (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Marcus	Crawford	131
4	Santa Clara (SAf)	Duke of Marmelade (Ire)	Domeyer	Bass-Robinson	131
5	Silvano's Pride (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Fourie	Snaith	131
6	Snapscan (SAf)	Oratorio (Ire)	Winnaar	Kotzen	131
7	Water Spirit (SAf)	Jackson (SAf)	Orffer	Crawford	131
8	Queen Supreme (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Murray	de Kock	129
9	Driving Miss Daisy (SAf)	Master of My Fate (SAf)	Khumalo	Sands	119
10	Drama Queen (SAf)	Ashaawes	Cheyne	Bass-Robinson	119
11	Castellano (SAf)	Querari (Ger)	Andrews	Kotzen	119

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## EXCEED AND EXCEL COLT TOPS DAY 3 FOR TEAM HAWKES



Lot 640 | TDNAusNZ

by Bren O'Brien & Paul Vettise

Team Hawkes executed part one of an expensive plan with the session-topping purchase of Lot 640, a son of Exceed And Excel out of Cressfield's high-quality draft on Day 3 of the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale.

### AT A GLANCE: Day 3 at Magic Millions

- The sale continued to strengthen with average, aggregate and median all increasing from the same point last year
- The average has jumped from \$237,866 to \$252,113
- The median has increased \$10,000 from the same stage last year to \$180,000
- Overall gross has jumped from \$149,380 million to \$158,327 million
- A son of Exceed And Excel was Team Hawkes' pick of the sale and they went to \$1.8 million to secure the colt offered by Cressfield
- Exceed And Excel ends the session with a second seven figure colt when Edinburgh Park's youngster goes to Gerald Ryan for \$1 million, delivering the first seven figure result for the vendor
- Marie Yoshida's dream came true when she purchased her sale favourite for \$1 million, a sister to the talented Group winning mare Houtzen (I Am Invincible).

### Team Hawkes Stays the Distance

As they certainly knew they would, Team Hawkes faced stern opposition for Cressfield's outstanding Exceed And Excel's son, but stood firm and the last bid from father John and sons Michael and Wayne of \$1.8 million went unanswered from under-bidder Coolmore. The family operation, who has a history of developing top-notch colts, is confident their latest high-priced acquisition will justify his hefty price tag when he begins his racing career next season.

"He was certainly the colt of the sale, we thought. It's big money and you've certainly got to perform when you spend that, but he looks a real 2-year-old," Wayne Hawkes said. "Everyone says it and everyone thinks it, but he's a Magic Millions and Golden Slipper horse for next year for sure."

The colt is out of Platelet (Strategic), who won 10 races with pride of place on her CV being Group 1 triumphs in the Robert Sangster S. and the Goodwood H., feature events in which she also posted runner-up finishes. All four dams on the colt's pedigree page are multiple winners with family members including the G2 Expressway S. winner Hockney (Quest For Fame {GB}) and Dalradian (Reward For Effort), who won the Inglis Banner 2YO.

"He's just a lovely, relaxed horse and he was like that the whole time we looked at him. I think we looked three or four times and he didn't bat an eye lid," Hawkes said. "When you're at the top end and in the big races there's pressure everywhere."

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Wayne Hawkes | TDNAusNZ

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The team has enjoyed success this season with the progeny of Exceed And Excel, having prepared Exceedance to win the G1 Coolmore Stud S. during the Melbourne spring carnival.

“He’s just come back into the stable at Flemington. The Exceed And Excels have done well, but this one’s got a little bit to do to live up to Exceedance, but you know what-- I’ll take half as good as Exceedance right now if I could get that guarantee,” Hawkes said. “I don’t want to give too many secrets away, but let’s just say we’ve got a lot of lovely horses that keep on making us look good.

There is a knack to training colts, there’s no doubt about that and I’m going to say it, there’s not many people that can and can continually do it.

“That sounds cocky, but we’ve just come off Brutal and Exceedance in 2019. You won’t get much better than that, a Doncaster winner and a Coolmore winner with two different horses. We get it right more times than we get it wrong and we’ve got a good team around us.”



**Lot 704 | Magic Millions**

**Colt Hawkes-Bound**

The Hawkes stable will also be receiving Lot 704, a Deep Field colt bought by prominent owner Alan Bell out of the draft of Attunga Stud for \$800,000.

“He’ll go there and no better hands for him to be in. We’ve had some luck along the way so why not drill for oil where it’s been found,” Bell said. “He’s just a great colt and he’s got all the quality in the world and out of a proper mare.

“He was one of those colts that you see every now and then at the sales and he’s by my horse whose going so well. I bought six out of his first crop thinking they would get more expensive with time and that’s come true.”

He is a son of the stakes winning Flying Spur mare Roulettes, who has already produced the G3 BJ McLachlan S. winner Sun City (Zoustar) and the black type performer Spin (I Am Invincible).

“He just got better and better every day he was here and he’s a beautiful horse. I just hope we have luck with him.” Bell has no qualms with the level he had to go to to secure the youngster.

“I thought he was bought for a reasonable price in this market. I was glad to get him, I was pretty determined. Some horses speak to you and he certainly spoke to me and he’s got everything I look for.”

Bell said the Gold Coast market, particularly for colts, had been strong.

“There’s a great lot of colts here and under huge competition. It’s an exciting phase of the game when people come in and share the risk and share the reward with these colts’ syndicates.”

**Exceedingly Good**

Evergreen Darley stallion Exceed And Excel provided the day’s sale-topper and he also ended the session strongly when his son offered by Edinburgh Park was knocked down to trainer Gerald Ryan for \$1 million.

“It’s a nice round figure, it has nice ring to it. We looked at him on Saturday and we thought he was dead-set he was one of the colts of the sale,” Ryan said.

“A lovely, athletic, great moving colt, I’ve sat back and waited for him and that’s why we haven’t bought any others along the way. I thought he was

a really nice horse.

“His two brothers go well. Eleven Eleven goes around in the 3YO Classic and the 2-year-old has had one start for a Listed placing and he looks as if he would be a horse that would be back here next year.”

Ryan admitted that they had paid more than anticipated for the youngster.

“We probably went twice as much on our budget in terms of what we had him at originally. As the sale went on, and we got closer, I missed out on a filly I really liked and when I missed out on her I put all my focus on him.

“This guy has got a stallion’s pedigree and if he can come back and win a Magic Millions. He would be a cheap horse.”

The grey colt, Lot 784, is out of Smokin’ Alice (USA) (Smoke Glacken {USA}), who has left the winner Eleven Eleven (Fastnet Rock) his younger stakes placed brother War Memorial. It is also the family of the multiple Group 1 winning deeds of Criterion (Sebring) and his G1 Doomben Cup winning half-brother Comin’ Through (Fastnet Rock).

### Sibling Snapped Up



Lot 749 | Magic Millions

A sister to Houtzen (I Am Invincible) was always going to be in demand and the younger sibling to the gifted mare didn't disappoint with the Yarraman Park Stud-offered filly changing hands for seven figures.

Bidding opened at \$200,000 on Lot 749 and not long after the deal was closed with the youngster knocked down to Marie Yoshida for \$1 million.

"This is the horse of the sale and we are so thankful and blessed to be able to not only bid on her, but to purchase her," she said. "I can't believe it."

"You see the world's best and richest race series and the full sister won it."

The filly is the fourth foal of Set To Unleash (Reset), whose only representative has been Houtzen, a dual Group 3 winner and also successful in the Magic Millions 2YO Classic. It is also the family of the former champion South African filly and four-time Group 1 winner Sun Classique (Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}).

"The mother has an I Am Invincible baby filly and she's back in foal to I Am Invincible and Houtzen is in foal to Curlin. It's a gold family, it's a platinum family."

The filly is destined to be prepared in Sydney by Peter and Paul Snowden.

"She has the walk and she has all the moves. She's a gorgeous filly in the sale, we're very, very happy and we hope she does very, very well. We got beaten on so many on Thursday and that put a bit more in the budget for this filly."

### Sale Exceeding Expectations

Magic Millions Managing Director Barry Bowditch has been taken aback by how strong the sale has been across the first three days. "It's just going to another level. In my mind I thought today would be a day where we would go strong without having

too many fireworks, but it was a bit better than that. It was really solid," he said.

"The average has increased, the clearance rate is healthy and I think at the moment the gross is up some \$9 million on last year, which I unbelieveable and very much unexpected."

"I think it's got a lot to do with the confidence in the horses here. I think we have got a great group of horses, the vendors have supported us with their very best yearlings and with that the buyers have come here being able to bid on them in realistic numbers, the strength in the middle end is as deep as we have seen."

### Piggott Gets his Star

A Zoustar colt, Lot 715, with a predominantly North American pedigree offered by Newhaven Park went to the closing \$900,000 bid from Ardross Bloodstock's Jamie Piggott.

"As a stallion we have a lot of respect for Zoustar in the Northern Hemisphere and I admire Sheikh Fahad taking him up there. I think they are quality horses and it's showing down here as well," Ardross' Jamie Piggott said.

"He is a racy colt and I think he will be a better horse in a couple of months. He is a three-quarter to Queen Kay, who came out and won really well the other day. The mother was a winner at two."

"I will have to speak to the investors and see where we are going, but we have got a few in training with Michael Costa and with Kim Waugh as well, so it's possible that he will stay here on the Gold Coast."

He is out of Saga Of The Storm (Real Saga {USA}), who won twice in Queensland, and the next three dams were mainly successful in North America.



Lot 715 | Magic Millions

**Magic Millions Day 3 cont.**

Their offspring include the dual Group 1 winners Seventh Street (USA) (Street Cry {Ire}) and American Gal (USA) (Concord Point {USA}) while the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen winner Reynaldtothewizard (USA) (Speightstown {USA}) is another family member.

Piggott said the buying bench had been deep and made life difficult, but he was delighted to bag a Zoustar colt.

"It has been tough. There is always going to be competition at Magic Millions. We bought a really nice No Nay Never at the breeze-up sales as well and I'm flattered to get a Zoustar as well."



**Lot 598 | Magic Millions**

**Sebring colt Impresses**

A well-related son of Sebring, Lot 762, will be placed into a colt's syndicate following his \$825,000 by Newgate and SF Bloodstock, the China Horse Club and Stonestreet Stables.

"We're very excited about it. He's a beautiful horse raised by a great farm, a son of Sebring and a grandson of More Than Ready so what not to like," SF's Tom Ryan said.

"It's a deep family and a horse we can all get excited about for next year. It's competitive, but there's plenty of nice horses around, you just have the fight for the good ones.

"He's by a great stallion and a lovely sire line. He looks a very sound and well-raised horse, very forward and mature."

The Sebring colt is a half-brother to the stakes performer Outlaw Kate (Exceed And Excel) with their dam the Listed Ottawa S. winner and G3 Blue Diamond Prelude runner-up She's Got Gears (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

**Farrington Wins Out**

A son of Snitzel from the Aquis draft had more than his share of admirers, but it was international bloodstock agent Dermot Farrington who had the final say on Lot 598 with a bid of \$800,000 and expected to go to that level to secure the youngster.

"You never know when you step in for these sorts of horses, but he deserved to make his price," he said. "He was always going to be popular and Snitzel has proven that he can sire a good one, so why wouldn't he sire another good one.

"He's a very good colt, a high end physical with a big page."

Farrington purchased the colt on behalf of an undisclosed Australian client with a decision on a trainer yet to be made. The colt is out of One Funny Honey (Distorted Humor {USA}),

who is the dam of the G2 Sweet Embrace S. winner One More Honey (Onemoremore) and the promising Vega One (Lope de Vega {Ire}), who has won four times including the Listed Queensland Day Plate.

The second dam Lan Kwai Fong (Bluebird {USA}) won the G3 Vanity S. and finished runner-up in the G1 VRC Oaks and this is the family of the multiple Group 1 winner and champion sire Broad Brush (USA).

"He was our most popular horse in the draft for the entire sale. We are delighted

that Dermot was able to buy him on behalf of a client - he is a great judge," Aquis' Tony Williams said.

"We are delighted with the price as well. He is by Snitzel, who is one of the greatest stallions to stand in Australia for a long time and to be able to offer a colt of that quality under the Aquis banner was certainly an honour to do that.

"She's proved herself a good broodmare with two stakes winners and she is a mare that has a wonderful international pedigree and this colt will certainly do the purchasers proud."

**Lloyd Says Yes**

Trainer Lloyd Kennewell will welcome a half-brother to The Everest winner Yes Yes Yes (Rubick) into his stable after successfully claiming him for \$700,000.

Presented by Kitchwin Hills as Lot 775, he is a son of Sebring and Sin Sin Sin (Fantastic Light {USA}), who has also produced the multiple winner and stakes performer Dee Nine Elle (Duporth).

"He's a cracking colt and probably more of a late 2-year-old and a real classic Caulfield Guineas type of horse," Kennewell said. "He's a great athlete with a great walk and I'm proud to have him.

"We'll put a good crew of people into him, but they'll remain anonymous for the moment. I'm just really excited to take this horse home."

Yes Yes Yes aside, a headline name in the colt's pedigree is the G1 Galaxy H. winner In Her Time (Time Thief).

### Godolphin Strikes Early

Godolphin was active early in the session to secure fillies by Fastnet Rock and Snitzel, going to \$600,000 apiece for the pair.

The first was Lot 526 from Cressfield's draft and a daughter of the G1 Stradbroke H. winner Mid Summer Music (Oamaru Force) and a half-sister to the Magic Millions Ballarat Classic winner and the G3 BJ McLachlan S. placegetter Euphoric Summer (Not A Single Doubt).

"She's by a champion stallion out of a Group 1 winning mare and meets all the criteria we set for the week," Godolphin's Jason Walsh said. "She's got an absolutely bombproof attitude."

Cressfield's Bruce Neill was delighted with the outcome, particularly as he still owns the dam.

"We're very pleased and she was very popular throughout the sale. We thought we had a few buyers on her," Neill said.

"It got slow during the lead-up, but once we got her on the market, we had a reserve of \$350,000, she started to gather interest. She made what I thought was a pretty fair price.

"I'm always nervous early on and that's the beauty of the sales. The adrenaline gets pumping, but we knew she'd had the inspections, the x-rays were clean and she's already thrown a stakes winner out of a Group 1 winning mare.

"It was all there, but it was the case of finding the right buyer and thank goodness Godolphin was the right buyer.

"I've still got the mare. She's got a Merchant Navy on the ground and she's been a good broodmare. She's sold well. I got \$300,000 for the first Fastnet Rock, who has won well in New Zealand, and Euphoric Summer made good money and is now a Group 3 placed horse.

"I only race the ones I can't sell, so I give the market every chance to buy something from me."

The Snitzel filly, Lot 532, offered by Strawberry Hill Stud is a daughter of the Magic Millions 2YO Classic winner Mirror Mirror (Dehere {USA}) who has already produced the Listed Carrington S. winner No Looking Back (Redoute's Choice) and the Group 3 performer Chauffeur (Snitzel).

It is also the family of Group 1 winners Malaguerra (Magnus), Aloha (Encosta de Lago) and Seabrook (Hinchinbrook).

"She's a lovely filly and kind of prospect we're here to source. She's from a great family and we think she's a really top class filly, our trainer (James Cummings) is in love with her," Walsh said.

"We're primarily here to get fillies from families and irrespective of what they do on the racecourse they will be joining our breeding program. She's strong and she's neat and she handled the week well."



### IN SINGAPORE:

**Galaxy Star**, g, 4, **Fastnet Rock**--Mica's Pride (GSW-Aus, \$121,350), by Bite the Bullet (USA). Kranji, 1-10, Hcp. (\$54k), 1200m, 1:10.98. B-Go Bloodstock (NSW). \*Formerly Sir Owen. \*\*1/2 to Silently (Anabaa {USA}), SW-Aus, US\$128,067; Varenna Miss (Redoute's Choice), GSW-Aus, \$365,100; Criterion (NZ) (Sebring), MG1SW-Aus, MG1SP-HK, US\$6,058,476; and full to Comin' Through, G1SW-Aus, US\$1,390,650. **VIDEO**

**Gingerella**, g, 5, **Gingerbread Man**--Jestervale, by Real Jester. Kranji, 1-10, Hcp. (\$91k), 1000m (AWT), :58.29. B-Cromartry Park (WA). \*\$11,000 Ylg '16 MGC FEB. **VIDEO**

**Karisto**, g, 5, **Written Tycoon**--Verkko, by Flying Spur. Kranji, 1-10, Hcp. (\$75k), 1600m (AWT), 1:39.30. B-Woodside Park Stud Pty Ltd (Vic). \*\$180,000 Ylg '16 MMGCYS; NZ\$220,000 2yo '16 NZBRTR. **VIDEO**

### IN MACAU:

**Luck of Stratum**, g, 4, **Stratum**--Enzed Girl (NZ) (MSP-Aus), by Stravinsky. Taipa, 1-10, Maiden (\$37k), 1350m (sand), 1:21.8. B-Sandown Lodge Pty Ltd (Vic). \*\$130,000 Ylg '17 ING FEB; \$50,000 Ylg '17 ING JUN; \$40,000 2yo '17 NZBRTR. **VIDEO**

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### IN SOUTH KOREA:

**Spice Candy**, f, 3, **Hallowed Crown**--Spicewood (USA), by Dixie Union (USA). Busan, 1-10, Hcp. (\$50k), 1000m. B-Jung Young Sik. \*Won by eight lengths as the prohibitive \$1.60 favourite. \*\*\$50,000 in utero '16 KEENOV. \*\*\*First South Korean winner for sire (by Street Sense {USA}).

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