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# TIZ THE LAW TO COOLMORE UPON RETIREMENT



**Tiz the Law** | Sarah Andrew

GI Belmont S. winner **Tiz the Law** (Constitution--Tizfiz, by Tiznow) will stand at Coolmore America's Ashford Stud upon his retirement, but will continue to race for owners Sackatoga Stable throughout his racing career, Coolmore announced Thursday morning. The colt, by the current leading second-crop sire Constitution, has won five of his six lifetime starts, including his impressive classic win last Saturday.

"Tiz The Law is the outstanding colt of his generation so we are obviously delighted he'll be coming here," said Coolmore America manager Dermot Ryan. "From day one when he broke his maiden at Saratoga, we have been watching him closely and he has everything one looks for in a stallion prospect. We are grateful to Jack Knowlton and his partners in Sackatoga Stable for letting us be a part of such an exciting horse, and also to Barclay Tagg, Robin Smullen and their team, who have done a tremendous job with him. He's a Grade I-winning juvenile and is now a Classic winner. Combined with his near-perfect race record, he's very good looking and is a very well-bred individual."

Constitution was second only to Coolmore's American Pharoah on the 2019 first-crop sire list, and Thursday's announcement means that Coolmore America will now stand three of the past five Belmont S. winners. **Cont. p3**

## FANS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND KENTUCKY DERBY

by Bill Finley

The Sept 5 GI Kentucky Derby will be held with a limited amount of spectators in the stands, it was announced Thursday by Churchill Downs.

"We are happy to announce that we will conduct Derby week with fans," Churchill Downs President Kevin Flanery said. "It's going to be a different experience. This is a different year."

Churchill's plans to conduct the races with fans was approved by Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear and state health officials. The Derby was moved from its traditional spot, the first Saturday in May, to September because of the coronavirus pandemic. Churchill is currently holding its spring-summer meet with no fans allowed at the races.

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Veteran reinsman Perry Ouzts, who turns 66 years old next month, rode five winners on Thursday's live program at Belterra Park. | Coady

**SPEED HELPS VIOLENCE BREAK GRADE I BARRIER 4**

In the aftermath of 'TDN Rising Star' No Parole's victory in last Saturday's GI Woody Stephens S., Chris McGrath takes a deeper look at Hill 'n' Dale's Violence.

**NO 2-YEAR-OLD RACES IN MARYLAND? 7**

In response to the refusal of the Maryland Racing Commission to vote or otherwise rule on the carding of Lasix-free races for 2-year-olds in the state, The Stronach Group indicated they would not be writing any juvenile races under the present rules.



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**Tiz the Law To Coolmore cont.**

Tiz the Law joins Triple Crown winners American Pharoah and Justify at the Versailles, Kentucky, nursery. Tiz The Law's dam, Tizfiz, was the winner of seven races including the GII San Gorgonio H. carrying the top weight of 118 pounds.

"Tiz The Law is such a pleasure to be around," said his trainer, Barclay Tagg. "He impresses me every day with how easy he does everything. Nothing is out of reach for him. I have been training horses for such a long time and I have never had a horse like him. He makes my life very easy. We are looking forward to running him in the GI [Runhappy] Travers [Aug. 8 at Saratoga], then on to the Derby and Preakness. He has achieved so much already and is a very exciting horse for the future. I wouldn't change him for the world."

After breaking his maiden in his 2-year-old debut at Saratoga Aug. 8, 2019, Tiz the Law won the GI Champagne S. at Belmont by four lengths. He suffered a narrow loss in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S., but has reeled off three straight graded stakes wins in 2020, including the GIII Holy Bull S. and the GI Curlin Florida Derby prior to the Belmont.

Jack Knowlton, operating manager of Sackatoga Stables, said: "Sackatoga Stable is pleased that Tiz The Law will stand at Coolmore America's Ashford Stud. It is an honor that he will become a part of the world's largest breeding operation of Thoroughbred racehorses. We are excited to see what Tiz the Law has in store on the track for the remainder of his 3-year-old year and beyond, and then look forward to his career as a stallion at Ashford."

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Tiz the Law | Viola Jasko

**Spectators To Be Allowed at Kentucky Derby cont.**



Churchill Downs grandstand at the 2019 Derby | Horsephotos

What remains to be seen is exactly how many fans will be allowed into a facility that routinely attracts at least 150,000 for America's favorite horse race. Flanery said there will be a "reduced capacity" but added that it is too early to speculate just how many people will be allowed to attend.

"We will have reduced capacities at various points throughout the facility," Flanery said. "We will work through that. We are just getting the guidelines and just got the approvals yesterday. We have some work to do. Our team, they are in it up to their necks and having a great time and doing everything right to guarantee people have a great experience once they come into this facility."

While the Churchill team will continue to work on measures and protocols that will be in place for the Derby week crowds, a few guidelines have been established.

In an effort to limit the flow of people moving around in the grandstand, anyone purchasing a general admission ticket will be limited to the infield. That means that only those who have seats will be allowed inside the main grandstand. And barn area access will be restricted to essential personnel. Guests and parties in the barn area for morning workouts and during race days will be eliminated.

Flanery said that there are about 60,000 seats in the grandstand.

"I am not worried about the number (of attendees) at this point," Flannery said. "What I am worried about is making sure we have good protocols in place and that we are talking with our guests and developing a plan that works. We are looking at guidelines on how to do that. I am more focused on what is the experience going to be like. We have the guidelines from the state to work with, but obviously it is a reduced capacity."

### Fans at Derby cont.

Tickets purchased for the original Derby date will be honored. Anyone who cannot or is not willing to attend on the Sept. 5 date will be issued a refund.

As far as what will be expected from fans, that, too, is a work in progress. In its press release, Churchill announced that there will be a “revised Fan Code of Conduct that establishes expectations for guests coming to the Derby.” Flanery said fans will be encouraged to wear masks but stopped short of saying they will be mandatory.

“Masks are something every business is dealing with,” Flanery said. “We will encourage everybody to wear a mask, especially when they are walking around...We understand that no person is perfect. We all forget sometimes. I think we will do this together. We need to communicate, communicate, communicate.”

Flanery noted that even a Derby run four months later than normal and with restrictions on how many people can attend will be a welcome development for racing and for the city of Louisville.

“We have to take baby steps as a community to move forward and do something that lifts the spirits of this town and the world,” he said. “We are going to do our part on both sides, to be safe and responsible, but also to make sure that we do our part so that we can get back to some sense of normalcy.”

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## SPEED HELPS VIOLENCE BREAK GRADE I BARRIER

by Chris McGrath

As his name suggests, there appear to be no half measures with Violence.

He had, let's face it, suddenly been under a bit of pressure. It was only last year that Hill 'n' Dale had been able to hoist his fee from \$25,000 to \$40,000, his first sophomores having confirmed him as the most glamorous stallion in his intake: clear top of the class in 2018 by earnings, winners, stakes winners/performers, graded stakes horses. Having started out at \$15,000, he had just processed his third crop of yearlings for an average \$133,600.

Yet just when it seemed as though Medaglia d'Oro had found his most eligible heir, Violence faltered. He mustered two stakes winners in 2019 and his yearling average plummeted to \$44,649.

Hill 'n' Dale promptly reversed that fee hike for this spring. With the far-sighted John Sikura at the helm, that looked a businesslike move rather than a nervous one. Certainly Sikura's own fidelity remained unshaken. Everything that had made so many people hail Violence as the next big thing remained in

place: the sumptuous physique, the aristocratic genes, the athletic caliber. Breeders just needed some encouragement to roll with the punches. As Sikura reminded *TDN* in March: “Sometimes you have to be a contrarian and jump on something when people are uncertain. That's how you make money in the horse business.”

That said, Sikura plainly needed the horse to regroup--and, in such an unforgiving commercial environment, to do so quickly. Happily, Violence seems to have given himself a long hard stare in the mirror, and has come out with all guns blazing.

Earlier this month, the 4-year-old **Volatile**--at \$850,000, the sire's most expensive yearling to date--produced an extraordinary exhibition in the Aristides S. at Churchill, incinerating his rivals by eight lengths in 1:07.57. And then, last Saturday, the Louisiana-bred 3-year-old **'TDN Rising Star' No Parole** similarly showed speed to be his forte when giving their sire a breakout first Grade I score in the Woody Stephens S., dominating his pursuers from the front. Suddenly there is a strong case for crediting Violence with the premier sprinter in both crops.



**No Parole** | Sarah Andrew

That's a pretty interesting development, given the diversity of his own sire's influence. Medaglia d'Oro, though by an avowed turf sire in El Prado (Ire), himself operated on dirt and has divided his elite performers not only between the surfaces, but also across disciplines. Though his best stock has tended to operate round a second turn, his sprinters include Astern (Aus), Vancouver (Aus) and Warrior's Reward (GI Carter H.).

Rather notoriously, Medaglia d'Oro's dam Cappucino Bay is by the forgettable Bailjumper. But her own family contributes a double dose of gunpowder: both her damsire, champion juvenile Silent Screen, and her third dam were out of daughters of the Greentree matriarch Sunday Evening.

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**McGrath cont.**

Herself inbred to that lightning bolt, The Tetrarch, the fast and precocious Sunday Evening includes some notably quick horses among the many good ones to have decorated her family. Silent Screen's mother, for instance, is also third dam of GI Carter H. winner Swagger Jack (Smart Strike) and of an elite South African sprinter All Will Be Well (SAf) (Badger Land); while another daughter fills the same slot in the background of Irish champion sprinter Bluebird (Storm Bird).

Sunday Evening is also an ancestor of some outstanding turf runners, such as Indian Skimmer (Storm Bird) and Henrythenavigator (Kingmambo). As such, her duplication in his family tree may well have contributed to Medaglia d'Oro's ability to parlay class into different environments.

Storm Bird--the sire of Indian Skimmer and Bluebird--also gave the modern breed one of its most important crossover stallions in Storm Cat, a champion sire on both sides of the Atlantic. And Storm Cat's serial matings with the Hall of Famer Sky Beauty (Blushing Groom), besides producing a group-winning juvenile in Europe, also gave us the second dam of Violence.

Then consider Sky Beauty's Grade I-winning dam Maplejinsky. She was by a formidable Classic/turf influence in Nijinsky, yet also a half-sister to the freakish Dayjur (Danzig), one of the fastest horses anyone can remember in Europe who was able to adapt instantly to dirt (if not to sunshine!) in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint.

Gold Beauty, the dam of Dayjur and Maplejinsky, had been a conduit of unadulterated Mr. Prospector speed on the track; only the second female sophomore besides Ta Wee, in fact, to be named champion sprinter. But then Mr. P. himself developed an increasingly wide repertoire at stud. And Violence's own dam Storming Beauty (a limited talent: won a nine-furlong dirt maiden at four, her only success in seven starts) is by Mr. P.'s son Gone West, whose own versatility as an influence has been emulated, at stud, by fast sons like Speightstown, Elusive Quality and Mr. Greeley.

Overall, this family can give us a grass router like Point of Entry (Dynaformer) or a GI Wood Memorial winner like Tale of Ekati (Tale of the Cat). So nobody should be too dogmatic about what

to expect from Violence. He is absolutely entitled to give you a grass runner, for instance. Yet here he is, with two headline acts majoring in molten speed on the main track.

Having been confined to four starts, Violence's own best game was never definitively established. He won on debut over seven furlongs at Saratoga, with a green outsider named Orb (Malibu Moon) creeping into third; Violence still looked raw, off an enforced break, when stepping up a furlong to win the Gil Nashua S.; and he then adapted well to a synthetic surface for his Grade I in the CashCall Futurity. Resurfacing in the Gil Fountain Of Youth S., he thrived on a hot pace to lead into the stretch but was worn down late by Orb, by now on the curve that would lead to the GI Kentucky Derby itself.

Violence emerged from that first defeat with a sesamoid fracture that ended his career. As a result, he was never tested at a Classic distance and we can't know quite how far he would have eeked out the speed and precocity he had shown.

What had seemed auspicious, in that regard, was the kind of glossy, lengthy build we associate with Medaglia d'Oro. As a yearling--bred by Dell Ridge Farm, and sold through Hill 'n' Dale--he had duly realized \$600,000 from Black Rock Stables on the third day of the Keeneland September Sale. He was the session's top colt and that noted judge of horseflesh, Donato Lanni, described him as "the best-

looking yearling by far" he saw in 2011.

That physical allure helped crowd as many as 181 mares into Violence's debut book, behind just four other stallions in North America; and his immediate traction, first in the ring and then on the track, means that the pipeline has remained loaded throughout. His juveniles this year graduate from a book of 187 mares; and his yearlings, from one of 214.

With numbers like that behind him, Violence was in growing need of a standard-bearer to advance cumulative indices--32 black-type horses at 8%, for instance, or 14 graded stakes performers at 3.5%--that do not quite stand up (as yet) to such underrated achievers, at this tier of the marketplace, as Lookin At Lucky, Sky Mesa or Violence's own studmate Midnight Lute. Just as well, then, that he is again walking the walk, after last year's stumble, with the simultaneous emergence of two such theatrical dashers as Volatile and No Parole.



**Violence** | Sarah Andrew

**Violence cont.**

As is true of any talented horse, of course, credit must be divided with their own families. Last month, colleague Steve Sherack **anticipated Volatile's sensational Churchill display** with a profile of her granddam Lady Tak (Mutakddim); and No Parole's Louisiana antecedents also merit a separate treatment. In the meantime, it's worth noting that his first two dams are a reverse mirror of his sire: one by a son of Storm Cat, in Bluegrass Cat; the next by a son of Mr. Prospector, Miswaki.

One way or another, connections of No Parole seem to have renounced the two-turn experiment that backfired in the GII Rebel S. Prior to that, he had smashed up Louisiana-breds to the tune of 34 lengths in three starts (including, admittedly, a two-turn mile); and he effortlessly dominated his rivals when dropped to six furlongs next time.



**Violence winning the Nashua | Jessica Hansen**

Violence does have a Group 1 winner over 10 furlongs on dirt in Argentina, the result of early shuttling to Haras La Pasion. But it's intriguing that one of his first graded stakes winners, Talk Veuve To Me, ended up dropping back to sprinting despite deep seams of stamina in her pedigree.

Clearly these two darting swallows, No Parole and Volatile, "do not a summer make." There are literally hundreds of young horses by Violence out there who remain entitled to go a second turn, and extend the impact achieved by this pair around one. For now, the fact that they share such blazing velocity must remain no more than a striking coincidence.

Arguably the El Prado branch has given the Sadler's Wells sire-line greater reach, in terms of where and how its scions operate, than has the record-breaking European colossus Galileo (Ire). That's largely the work of Medaglia d'Oro; and that is also how Violence can most validly assume the mantle of his 21-year-old sire.

It scarcely needs reiterating of the breed-changing Northern Dancer that his legacy was as much about versatility as class. And, besides representing the El Prado sire-line, Violence entwines other branches of the dynasty through two of his first four dams: his granddam's sire Storm Cat did a similar service for Storm Bird to that performed by Medaglia d'Oro for El Prado; and then there is Maplejinsky's sire Nijinsky.

The other epoch-making name that recurs in Violence, incidentally, is that of Somethingroyal: one son, Sir Gaylord, gave us Sir Ivor to sire El Prado's Classic-winning dam Lady Capulet; and daughters of another, Secretariat, foaled the sires of both Violence's first two dams, Gone West and Storm Cat.

So while it's often pleasing to find something exotic behind a good horse--the Bailjumper element in Medaglia d'Oro, for instance--it's pretty hard to argue with the way Violence blends so many dominant colors of the modern breed. By the same token, it would be premature to predict that these especially vibrant streaks, freshly daubed in sprints by Volatile and No Parole, will necessarily end up dominating the whole palette. But it looks like it could be fun to watch.

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## MD COMMISSION PUSHES BACK ON LASIX-FREE 2YOS, STRONACH GROUP VOWS TO WRITE NO JUVENILE RACES

by T.D. Thornton

After the Maryland Racing Commission (MRC) on Thursday refused to vote or otherwise rule on a late agenda request to allow The Stronach Group (TSG) to card Lasix-free races for 2-year-olds, an attorney for the TSG-owned Maryland Jockey Club (MJC) told the commission that the MJC-owned Laurel Park wouldn't be scheduling any juvenile races at all under the present rules that allow the use of the controversial anti-bleeding medication.

"We currently [don't] have, and I don't believe we will have, any intent of carding a 2-year-old race under the condition of the administration of Lasix," said Alan Rifkin, the MJC's lawyer. "Our position on Lasix isn't going to change."

With over 100 juveniles currently in training at Laurel and no races for 2-year-olds yet run or on the horizon in the state, Rifkin's avowal prompted commissioner Thomas Bowman to predict a short-term "devastating effect on Maryland racing, because the horses are going to have to go out of state to run."

Alan Foreman, the chairman/chief executive officer of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (THA), whose members include Maryland owners and trainers, said TSG did not

approach horsemen or breeders in advance of bringing the matter up before the commission June 25.

"We suspected something was up weeks ago because they weren't carding 2-year-old races," Foreman said, adding that the THA reached out to TSG officials for an explanation. "We couldn't get an answer. We waited weeks to get an answer. We kept getting bounced around."

Foreman continued: "So here we have, in the middle of the COVID pandemic, the horsemen with their backs up against the wall economically. We've got an industry we're trying to rebuild. We've got barns full of 2-year-olds, and they come in this past week and tell the commission, 'Oh, by the way, we're not writing 2-year-old races with Lasix. Either you do it our way, or we're not going to write those races.' And we have to tell our horsemen now to take their horses out of state."

Michael Algeo, the MRC chairperson, likened the way the MJC broached the no-Lasix topic as akin to trying to change the rules in the middle of a football game.

"And if you don't agree with the change of the rules, we're going to take our ball and go home," Algeo added.

Algeo made it clear at the outset of the discussion of the agenda item that the June 18 request in the form of a letter from TSG technically came in too late to be considered for the monthly meeting, but he wanted to end up including it because the medication issue was of such importance. **Cont. p8**

## KEENELAND SEPTEMBER DEADLINE NEARS FOR ¼% CHECK-OFF PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

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Algeo said the letter, signed by Craig Fravel, TSG's chief executive of racing operations, stated, "we intend to begin scheduling races for 2-year-olds [without Lasix] and hereby inform the commission that your action is required."

Algeo said he was "somewhat taken aback" at receiving what appeared to be more of a written directive, rather than a request, from TSG. He noted the letter was accompanied by a press release about the 2-year-old Lasix ban that seemed to suggest the commission's compliance was a foregone conclusion. Algeo said TSG then submitted a lengthy legal memorandum only 48 hours before the June 25 teleconference, meaning it came in too close to the meeting for commissioners to read and understand in a timely manner.

"That, sir, put us in a very difficult position," Algeo told Rifkin. He then added in a curt tone that underscored his annoyance, "And it's a position that I don't like to be put in."

Nonetheless, Rifkin was allowed nearly 18 minutes of uninterrupted testimony to state TSG/MJC's case on not allowing 2-year-olds to race on Lasix.

"We are not asking the commission for a ban on race-day Lasix. We agree with you Mr. Chairman, that is a question for another day," Rifkin said. "All MJC intends to do here is present the opportunity to owners or trainers who voluntarily wish to race their 2-year-olds drug-free of Lasix...without the competitive disadvantage of other horses using Lasix."

Rifkin said no new regulation or law would be needed to approve the Lasix-free races for juveniles. He explained that's because the current Lasix regulations hinge on the word "permissible" and not "mandatory" when describing how the drug is to be used.

"That regulation speaks to what owners and trainers may do. Not what the [MJC] must do," Rifkin said. "That is, there is nothing in that regulation that requires MJC to run any races for horses using Lasix."

Rifkin then pointed out that another section of the state's regulations limit Lasix doses on race day to "not more than 100" nanograms.

"Quite obviously, carding a race with zero nanograms of Lasix as a voluntary condition of entrance is less than the maximum permitted 100 nanograms," Rifkin said. "That's entirely consistent with that regulation."

As for the request coming in only a week before the meeting (and after an edition of the MRC agenda had already been publicly noticed), Rifkin said, "I know there is some concern that this has come upon you fast. But it really hasn't in some respects. The debate over Lasix has been here for awhile.

"We submit that MJC has a legitimate business reason and absolute right to conduct drug-free races," Rifkin continued. "There is no law, regulation, or condition that prohibits that action, [and that the 2-year-old Lasix ban] is in the best public

interest of equine safety and the public's general interest.

"While it may be permissible--in other words voluntary--for an owner or trainer to administer Lasix, it does not mean the track licensee is obligated to be an accomplice and run races for the benefit of those horses who have been administered the drug.

"The action we are taking here is modest," Rifkin summed up. "The action we are taking here is a first step."

Algeo replied that, "I understand what your argument is. I understand your interpretation. With all due respect, I just simply disagree with it."

Algeo said that according to his interpretation, there is no statutory, case law, or regulatory authority that allows the commission to tell the MJC it can run certain races without Lasix.

"I happen to believe that...the best interests of Maryland racing would be to actually continue racing 2-year-olds with Lasix," Algeo said.

After Algeo made his points, Rifkin asked for clarification: "Are you telling us we must run races for 2-year-olds with Lasix?"

"No sir," was Algeo's reply.

On the heels of that exchange was when Rifkin, in answer to another commissioner's suggestion that Laurel try carding both Lasix-allowed and Lasix-free juvenile races to see what happens, stated his above-quoted desire by the MJC not to write any 2-year-old races at all under the current circumstances.

Algeo closed the discussion by saying that the commission's official action on the item for Thursday would be to refer the no-Lasix proposal to the MRC's newly formed safety and welfare committee, with the request that the issue be expedited so it can be taken up at a future meeting before the full commission.

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## NEW MARYLAND WHIP POLICY STARTS THE SIX-STRIKE COUNT AT QUARTER POLE

*By T.D. Thornton*

Effective Aug. 1, from the quarter pole to the finish wire, Maryland jockeys will be limited to six whip strikes--either overhanded or underhanded--with no more than two of those blows in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond. Prior to the quarter pole, jockeys will be allowed an unlimited number of strikes, provided they are delivered in an underhand manner, which is considered less harmful to horses.

The Maryland Racing Commission (MRC) unanimously voted to approve the policy modification during its Thursday teleconference meeting. It's based on a regional idea proposed in May by the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association to create uniformity in whip rules among the mid-Atlantic tracks, although each state's racing commission still must choose whether to adopt the recommendations either in part or in whole.

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### Maryland Whip Policy cont.

MRC executive director J. Michael Hopkins explained that for right now, the voting-in of the new policy is to be a guide for Maryland stewards, similar to the way the current discretionary policy that got implemented in January at Laurel Park (10 strikes total, no more than three in succession) is being used.

For the new policy to be backed by an official MRC rule, Hopkins said, the commission must next craft a proposed schedule of penalties that will have to be voted upon at a future meeting.

“The intention is not to limit the use of the whip, but bring it more under control,” Hopkins said.

Hopkins added that Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, and West Virginia are the other regional jurisdictions where the new policy is expected to be acted upon and possibly implemented.

In crafting the mid-Atlantic policy, Hopkins said industry stakeholders took into consideration that jockeys have different safety and horse-encouragement needs depending on the size of each racetrack. What is appropriate on ovals less than a mile in circumference—like at Charles Town or Timonium—might not be right for the wide, sweeping turf course at Colonial Downs.

After the vote, during the public commentary session, Steve Koch, senior vice president of racing for The Stronach Group, which owns Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course, said his company does not support this particular initiative because it looks “quite different” from what has been proposed in a number of other jurisdictions, and thus does not promote the desired goal of nationwide uniformity.

Mindy Coleman, an attorney representing The Jockeys’ Guild, also voiced objections after the vote was taken. She said the policy was “too restrictive and limits the jockey’s ability to communicate with the horse and encourage [it] to achieve its maximum placing.”

Coleman added that, “We’re willing to agree to the proposal if the rider was allowed to use the riding crop [without limitation] in the underhanded fashion to the eighth pole, and restricting the use of the riding crop six times in the overhand fashion throughout the race.”

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## BOURBON COURAGE FILLY SETS QUARTER-MILE MARK IN TIMONIUM THURSDAY

by Jessica Martini

TIMONIUM, MD - A filly by Bourbon Courage worked the fastest quarter-mile and three juveniles shared the day’s fastest furlong work time during Thursday’s second session of the under-tack show ahead of next week’s Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale in Timonium, Maryland.

**Bourbon on Sunday** (hip 286), a Maryland-bred daughter of Bourbon Courage consigned by Naoise Agnew’s Nomad Farm Training and Sales, worked a quarter-mile in Thursday’s bullet time of :21 1/5. It was the second fastest quarter-mile through two of three sessions of the under-tack show.

“We actually thought she might go a little faster than that,” Agnew admitted. “She prepped out here really fast, :21 4/5 and they were just sitting on her basically. But we are very happy with her. She did it very easily by herself. And she blew a back shoe as well in the work, that could have been our :21 flat right there.”

Agnew is consigning the filly on behalf of breeder Ron Parker, who has a five-horse commercial broodmare band based in Maryland. Parker purchased the filly’s dam Sunday in Malibu (Malibu Moon) for \$5,000 at the 2017 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic January sale. The stakes-placed mare is also the dam of stakes placed Faze the Nation (Cal Nation).



Naoise Agnew | J Martini

Agnew has a farm near Penn National and Bourbon on Sunday has been working at the Pennsylvania track.

“She’s ready to go right on,” Agnew said. “She is a really, really nice horse. I’d put any money on it that she’s going to be a stakes horse.”

A transplanted Irishman, Agnew has been consigning under the Nomad banner for eight years. His four-horse 2020 Midlantic consignment includes Motherland Bourbon (Bourbon Courage) (hip 131), also bred by Parker.

“I come here with a handful of horses every year,” he said. “I have two client horses this year and the other ones are mine.”

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## Midlantic Breeze Show cont.

Keiber Rengifo's Golden Rock consignment sent out a daughter of Fed Biz ([hip 276](#)) to earn a share of Thursday's furlong bullet time of **:10 flat**. The Maryland-bred filly is the first foal out of stakes-placed Stormin Wendy (Ecclesiastic). She was purchased by Scott and Evan Dilworth for \$25,000 as a weanling at the 2018 Keeneland November sale before RNA'ing for \$21,000 at Keeneland last September.

"Our client bought her at the Keeneland sale in November as a weanling," Rengifo said. "She was going to go to the yearling sale, but there were so many horses there she got a little lost. He just decided to keep her. He saw a lot of talent in her when they were prepping for the yearling sale and they decided to send her to a 2-year-old in training sales."



Keiber Rengifo | *Thorostride*

This is Golden Rock's second consignment to the Midlantic sale, but Rengifo has plenty of positive memories of the Timonium auction.

"I was working before with Randy Hartley and Dean DeRenzo and they had a lot success at this sale and that's why I really like this sale," the Venezuelan said. "When I worked for those guys, they did really good here. So to have a filly like her is something special. Not too many horses can do a :10 flat here."

The bullet worker capped a big day for Golden Rock, which also sent out three horses to work in :10 1/5: a filly by Munnings ([hip 186](#)); a colt by Goldencents ([hip 243](#)); and a filly by More Than Ready ([hip 258](#)). The consignment also sent out colts by Bodemeister ([hip 228](#)) and Constitution ([hip 256](#)) to work in :10 2/5.

"Constitution is really hot right now and this horse loved the dirt and we really like the Munnings filly," Rengifo said. "The Goldencents colt is Pennsylvania-bred, so we decided to bring him up here since it's so close to Parx and Penn National."

Rengifo, who rode some 18 winners on the Midlantic circuit in 2015, 2016 and 2017, breezed all of the Golden Rock horses in Timonium and said he thought the track played fair throughout the day.

"It's not too hard or too deep. They do a good job with the track--they put a lot of water on it," he said. "Last year, they were breezing 35 of 40 horses a set and they would have four or five sets. Now with the seven sets, I don't mind because I think it's the same opportunity for all of the consignors. Every set gives a really good chance to everyone."

For the second day in a row, Luis Garcia's L.G. consignment sent out a first-crop juvenile by Speightster ([hip 261](#)) to work the furlong bullet time of **:10 flat**. Garcia purchased the filly, in partnership with Gina Fennell, for \$20,000 at the Keeneland September sale. The bay is the first foal out of graded stakes placed Spirituality (Gemologist).



Hip 263 | *Thorostride*

Consignor Al Pike was also represented by his second furlong bullet worker of the under-tack show. Pike sent out a filly by Goldencents ([hip 263](#)) to work in **:10 flat** Thursday. She is out of Spring Zapper (Ghostzapper), a daughter of graded stakes placed Spring Season (Seeking the Gold). Pike purchased the juvenile for \$30,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton July sale.

The under-tack show concludes with a final session Friday beginning at 8 a.m. The Midlantic sale will be held next Monday and Tuesday with bidding scheduled to commence at 11 a.m.

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**Thursday, Woodbine**

**JACQUES CARTIER S.-GIII**, C\$143,500, Woodbine, 6-25, 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.61, ft.

1--**PINK LLOYD, 124, g, 8, by Old Forester**

**1st Dam: Gladiator Queen (SP, \$128,618), by Great Gladiator**

**2nd Dam: Ascot Sarah, by Ascot Knight**

**3rd Dam: Sarawilha, by Sir Ivor**

(C\$30,000 Ylg '13 CANSEP). O-Entourage Stable; B-John Carey (ON); T-Robert P. Tiller; J-Rafael Manuel Hernandez. C\$94,500. Lifetime Record: Horse of the Year, 3x Ch. Male Sprinter, Ch. Older Dirt Male, Ch. Older Horse-Can, 28-23-1-1, \$1,395,747.

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**REGISTERED ONTARIO-BRED**

2--**Malibu Secret**, 117, g, 6, **Malibu Moon**--Ain't No Tellin', by Dynaformer. O-1569389 Ontario, Inc. & Bruno Schickedanz; B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Martin Drexler. C\$25,000.

**REGISTERED ONTARIO-BRED**

3--**Not So Quiet**, 117, g, 5, **Silent Name (Jpn)**--Mona Moon, by Perigee Moon. O-Heste Sport, Inc.; B-Heste Sport Inc. - TB Racing Division (ON); T-Mark E. Casse. C\$16,500.

**REGISTERED ONTARIO-BRED**

Margins: 2, HF, 1. Odds: 0.25, 7.65, 3.60.

Also Ran: Circle of Friends. Scratched: Dixie's Gamble.

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Sent off the long odds-on favorite, Pink Lloyd put yet another 'brick in the wall,' leaving three overmatched rivals 'comfortably numb' in winning the Jacques Cartier S. for the fourth straight year Thursday evening.

Alertly away, the 8-year-old raced widest of the quartet and well out of harm's way before settling in third as Circle of Friends (Midnight Lute) set a solid pace from Not So Quiet. Ridden along just a touch on the turn by Rafael Hernandez, Pink Lloyd was poised nearing the stretch, but so, too, was Malibu Secret, who had saved every inch of ground at the fence. The latter looked dangerous for a stride or two passing the three-sixteenths, but Pink Lloyd had an extra gear, and although he caused Circle of Friends to check mildly a furlong out, he skipped home to claim first 'money' for the seventh consecutive time dating back to last year's Cartier and for the 23rd time in 28 career starts.

Canada's Horse of the Year in 2017, Pink Lloyd is the three-time defending Sovereign Award winning sprinter (six-time champion overall) and was perfect in six official outings last season, including a third straight score in the GIII Vigil S. Declared a non-starter in the GIII Bold Venture S. last September, he closed the season with a facile success in the GII Kennedy Road S. Nov. 23.

The lone graded winner and one of 18 black-type winners for his sire--a half-brother to 2015 Canadian Horse of the Year Catch a Glimpse (City Zip)--Pink Lloyd has a 2-year-old full-brother named Old Blue Cliff and his dam was most recently bred back to Old Forester.



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**KITTY TAYLOR, Warrendale Sales**



**Kitty Taylor | Fasig-Tipton**

I think most of the time, folks don't want to see others peoples' point of views and/or they can't see them due to their life experiences. I was listening to NPR yesterday, and they were discussing the discontinuation of Aunt Jemima, Uncle Ben's and Cream of Wheat because of their use of African American imagery. I had never thought of the subtle messaging that just those small daily images make on our views of others.

To that point, until we in racing can become more self-aware, we can't be more inclusive. While we're not like NASCAR and have flown the Confederate flag for decades, we have our own "exclusive" clubs at race tracks. There is a hierarchy--clubhouse versus grandstand, membership versus non-membership, all of this is visible to those around them. While there are now racing clubs that are "all women" like Starlight Ladies, how about some open the door to others? **Cont. p12**

When I was much younger, a majority of grooms at the race track were largely African American, and now it's largely a Hispanic work force. Until we can level the playing field and crack open doors for everyone to enjoy and participate, racing will remain the exclusive club it has historically been. Perhaps opening up board membership to others via appointed versus voted on for inclusion to the Breeders' Cup, Jockey Club, Keeneland, etc. will start that process. This is a time of change in our country and I hope we can see the opportunities.

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"He gave Rockingham Ranch and me a tremendous ride," Miller added. "It was both an honor and a pleasure to train such a magnificent animal. He is sound and healthy and this seemed like the right time to make this change in his career. We've had him since he was a 2-year-old, so watching him grow and mature into a world champion has been a great gift."

Roy H retires with a record of 23-10-5-2 and earnings of \$3,139,765.

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## TWO-TIME CHAMPION SPURTER ROY H RETIRED



Roy H | Benoit

Roy H (More Than Ready), champion sprinter of 2017 and 2018, has been retired at age eight, trainer Peter Miller said in a statement Thursday.

"It is with some sadness but also great joy that we announce the retirement of Roy H from racing," Miller said. "What can you say about a horse like this who has given us so many thrilling moments? He is the embodiment of class and we will definitely miss seeing him compete. Fortunately, we will not have to miss him for long as he will be retired as a barn pony and remain a very important part of our team. He is a 'favorite son' among our staff and the feeling seems to be mutual as Roy H loves to be around the other horses and loves to train."

Bought for \$310,000 at the 2014 Keeneland April 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale, Roy H campaigned for Rockingham Ranch and David Bernsen. He picked up his first stakes win in the 2017 GII True North S. and followed with victories in the GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship S. and GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. He repeated in both of those events in 2018 and last raced when capturing the GII Palos Verdes S. last January.



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***Pink Lloyd (Old Forester) wins the GIII Jacques Cartier S. for the fourth year running Thursday.***



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Ashford Stud has donated a halter won by its resident Triple Crown winner American Pharoah for an upcoming online auction to benefit Hope After Racing Thoroughbreds (HART), an Iowa-based aftercare organization.

The silent-auction fundraiser will be held exclusively online beginning at noon Friday, June 26 and will conclude Friday, July 3, at 8:30 p.m. Central time. The auction features other memorabilia, services, photos, paintings, tack and more. All the proceeds go to HART's care, rehabilitation, retraining and rehoming of retired racehorses from Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino. Those wishing to donate outside of the auction may do so directly through HART's website at [iahart.org](http://iahart.org).

"We're so grateful to Ashford Stud for donating this halter worn by one of the all-time greats," said HART president Jon Moss. "This is a chance for a racing, horse or sports enthusiast to own this priceless memorabilia while helping horses that don't have a set future when they are through racing. HART finds safe, loving homes for our retired racehorses, preparing them for second careers in the show ring, eventing, trail riding or simply as pleasure or companion horses."

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**Saturday, Belmont, post time: 6:08 p.m. EDT**

**JUST A GAME S.-GI, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Beau Recall (Ire) 🌿	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Slam Dunk Racing and Medallion Racing	Cox	Ortiz	122
2	Got Stormy 🌿	Get Stormy	Gary Barber	Casse	Saez	124
3	Valedictorian	Temple City	Epic Racing	Breen	Lezcano	120
4	Newspaperofrecord (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
5	Regal Glory	Animal Kingdom	Paul P. Pompa, Jr.	Brown	Franco	120
6	Uni (GB)	More Than Ready	Dubb, M., Head of Plains Partners LLC, LaPenta, R. and Bethlehem Stables LLC	Brown	Rosario	124
7	Zofelle (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Heider Family Stables LLC	Walsh	Castellano	118

**Breeders:** 1-Tom Wallace, 2-Mt. Joy Stables, Pope McLean, MarcMcLean & Pope McLean Jr., 3-John Bowers, Jr., 4-Times of Wigan Ltd, 5-Paul P Pompa, 6-Haras D'Etreham, 7-Fullbury & Minch Bloodstock

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 5:47 p.m. EDT**

**STEPHEN FOSTER S.-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m**



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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fearless 🌿	Ghostzapper	China Horse Club and WinStar Farm LLC	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
2	Pirate's Punch 🌿	Shanghai Bobby	Gulliver Racing, Drager, Craig W. and Legan, Dan	Forster	Smith	120
3	Alkhaatam	Tapit	Shadwell Stable	Peitz	Cannon	120
4	Multiplier 🌿	The Factor	Wachtel Stable, Kerr, George J. and Barber, Gary	Miller	Gaffalione	120
5	Tom's d'Etat 🌿	Smart Strike	G M B Racing	Stall, Jr.	Mena	124
6	By My Standards	Goldencents	Allied Racing Stable, LLC	Calhoun	Saez	122
7	Silver Dust 🌿	Tapit	Tom R. Durant	Calhoun	Beschizza	120
8	Owendale 🌿	Into Mischief	Rupp Racing	Cox	Geroux	120

**Breeders:** 1-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust, 2-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 3-Shadwell Farm, LLC, 4-Mark Stansell, 5-SF Bloodstock LLC, 6-Don Ladd, 7-Don Alberto Corporation, 8-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings, LLC

**Saturday, Belmont, post time: 5:04 p.m. EDT**

**NEW YORK S.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Call Me Love (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	R Unicorn Stable	Clement	Ortiz, Jr.	122
2	Feel Glorious (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing and Tango Uniform Racing LLC	Clement	Alvarado	120
3	My Sister Nat (Fr)	Acclamation (GB)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz	118
4	Fools Gold	Medaglia d'Oro	Wise Racing LLC	Brown	Franco	120
5	Valiance	Tapit	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Schwartz, Martin S. and China Horse Club International Ltd.	Pletcher	Castellano	120
6	Mrs. Sippy	Blame	Andrew Stone	Motion	Rosario	120
7	Mean Mary	Scat Daddy	Alex G. Campbell, Jr.	Motion	Saez	120

**Breeders:** 1-Grundy Bloodstock SRL, 2-Mrs E. C. Roberts, 3-Ecurie Des Monceaux, 4-Regis Farms, LP, 5-China Horse Club International Limited, 6-Andrew Stone, 7-Alex G. Campbell, Jr. Thoroughbreds, LLC

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 5:15 p.m. EDT****FLEUR DE LIS H.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m****CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN.™**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Go Google Yourself	Into Mischief	Jay Em Ess Stable	McGee	Hernandez, Jr.	120
2	Another Broad	Include	Farfellow Farm, Ltd.	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
3	Chocolate Kisses	Candy Ride (Arg)	Debby M. Oxley	Casse	Carroll	120
4	Serengeti Empress	Alternation	Joel Politi	Amoss	Talamo	124
5	Midnight Bisou	Midnight Lute	Bloom Racing Stbl, Madaket Stables & Allen Racing	Asmussen	Smith	124
6	Red Dane (Ity)	Red Rocks (Ire)	Calumet Farm	LoPresti	Lanerie	120
7	Motion Emotion	Take Charge Indy	Abbondanza Racing, Mark DeDomenico LLC and Medallion Racing	Baltas	Leparoux	120

**Breeders:** 1-Samantha Siegel, 2-Fitzhugh, LLC, 3-Pin Oak Stud, LLC, 4-Tri Eques Bloodstock, LLC, 5-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 6-Centro Equino Arcadia Srl, 7-WinStar Farm, LLC

**Saturday, Woodbine, post time: 4:42 p.m. EDT****NASSAU S.-GII, C\$175,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Nantucket Red	Get Stormy	Colebrook Farms	Brnjas	Boulangier	116
2	Another Time	Munnings	Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC	Minshall	Lermyte	116
3	Amalfi Coast	Tapizar	Terra Racing Stable	Attard	Hernandez	118
4	Lunar Garden	Malibu Moon	Chiefswood Stables Limited	Simon	Stein	116
5	Elizabeth Way (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	John J. McCormack	Attfield	Wilson	120
6	Malakeh (GB)	Harbour Watch (Ire)	Heider Family Stables LLC, Madaket Stables LLC and Kisber, Michael E.	Motion	Kimura	116
7	Eyeinthesky	Sky Mesa	Gary Barber	Casse	Husbands	118

**Breeders:** 1-Diane Snowden & Guy Snowden, 2-Machmer Hall, 3-Terra Farms Ltd., 4-Chiefswood Stables Limited, 5-Godolphin, 6-Gestut Gorldorf, 7-Rusty Kindratiw

**Saturday, Belmont, post time: 5:36 p.m. EDT****TRUE NORTH S.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Diamond King	Quality Road	Cash is King LLC and LC Racing	Servis	Carmouche	118
2	Midnightcharly	Uptowncharlybrown	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC and Godric LLC	Coletti, Jr.	Castellano	118
3	Wicked Trick	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Rice, Linda and Cooper, Stephen G.	Rice	Lezcano	118
4	Wait for It	Uptowncharlybrown	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	Coletti, Jr.	Franco	118
5	Yorkton	Speightstown	Chiefswood Stables Limited	Motion	Davis	120
6	Stan the Man	Broken Vow	Long Lake Stable LLC	Terranova II	Rosario	118
7	Promises Fulfilled	Shackleford	Baron, Robert J. and WinStar Farm LLC	Romans	Saez	122
8	Firenze Fire	Poseidon's Warrior	Mr. Amore Stable	Breen	Ortiz, Jr.	120

**Breeders:** 1-JSM Equine, LLC., 2-Godric LLC, 3-Corrigan Racing Stable, Inc., 4-Fantasy Lane Stable, 5-Chiefswood Stables Limited, 6-Emma Quinn, Dermot Quinn, Scott Pierce &Debbie Pierce, 7-David Jacobs, 8-Mr Amore Stables

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**Saturday, Thistledown, post time: 4:22 p.m. EDT****OHIO DERBY-GIII, \$500,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m**

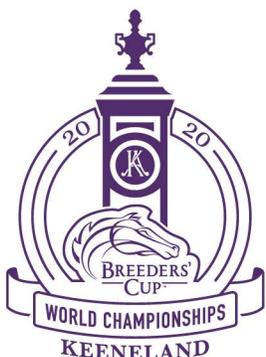
PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Dean Martini 🌿	Cairo Prince	Raise the BAR Racing, LLC	Amoss	-	120
2	Rogue Element 🌿	Honor Code	Calumet Farm	Romans	McKee	120
3	Rowdy Yates	Morning Line	L and N Racing LLC	Asmussen	Baze	122
4	Lebda	Raison d'Etat	Euro Stable	Gonzalez	Cintron	122
5	Dack Janiel's	Tonalist	Calumet Farm	Sisterson	Burke	120
6	Sprawl	City Zip	Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.	Mott	Lopez	120
7	Informative 🌿	Bodemeister	Trin-Brook Stables, Inc.	St. Lewis	Bisono	120
8	Bear Alley 🌿	Will Take Charge	West Point T'breeds & Albaugh Family Stables	Romans	Corrales	120
9	Code Runner 🌿	Honor Code	Calumet Farm	Asmussen	Feliciano	120
10	South Bend	Algorithms	Sagamore Farm LLC	Hough	Bejarano	120
11	Soros 🌿	Commissioner	Eclipse T'bred Partners & OGMA Investments	Delgado	Machado	120
12	Established 🌿	Constitution	Twin Creeks Racing Stables & Mt. Brilliant Farm	Stidham	Murrill	120
13	Storm the Court	Court Vision	David A Bernsen LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC,			
			Hudock, Dan and Wilson, Susanna	Eurton	Prat	126
14	Unrighteous	Violence	Calumet Farm	Pletcher	Parker	120
15	Celtic Striker 🌿	Congrats	Imperial Racing, LLC	Handal	Gutierrez	120

**Breeders:** 1-Brereton C. Jones & Bret Jones, 2-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & W. S. Farish, 3-Tracy Rene Strachan, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Calumet Farm, 6-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 7-Rose Hill Farm & John Trumbulovic, 8-John R. Penn & Frank Penn, 9-Baumann Stables, Edward Bradley & Dr. Aaron Sones, 10-Highclere, Inc., 11-Shain Crain, 12-Mt Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC, 13-Stepping Stone Farm, 14-Calumet Farm, 15-Stoneview Farm Inc. & Craig D. Upham

**Saturday, Belmont, post time: 4:32 p.m. EDT****VAGRANCY H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Royal Charlotte 🌿	Cairo Prince	First Row Partners and Parkland Thoroughbreds	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	122
2	Mother Mother 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Gainesway Stable, Hall, Barry, Lipman, Barry, Mathiesen, Mark and Molasky, Andrew	Baffert	Rosario	120
3	Chalon	Dialed In	Lael Stables	Delacour	Ortiz	121
4	Jakarta	Bustin Stones	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Saez	116
5	Come Dancing	Malibu Moon	Blue Devil Racing Stable	Martin	Castellano	124
6	Victim of Love 🌿	Speightstown	Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC	Beattie	Lezcano	118
7	Pacific Gale 🌿	Flat Out	Tobey L. Morton	Kimmel	Alvarado	118

**Breeders:** 1-Rhineshire Farm LLC, 2-T. F. VanMeter, 3-J. K. Griggs & Linda Griggs, 4-Arrowwood Farm, Inc, 5-Blue Devil Racing Stable, LLC, 6-Daniel J. Burke, 7-Bally Breeders



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November 6-7



**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 4:43 p.m. EDT**

**BASHFORD MANOR S.-GIII, \$100,000, 2yo, 6f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Crown and Coke	Aikenite	Matthew Schera	Lawrence, II	Mena	120
2	Hulen	Tapiture	Heiligbrodt, William & Corinne, Madaket Stables & Spendthrift Farm LLC	Asmussen	Lanerie	120
3	Gatsby	Brethren	Arindel	Alvarado	Gaffalione	120
4	Hyperfocus 🌿	Constitution	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
5	Herd Immunity 🌿	Union Rags	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Miller	Hernandez, Jr.	120
6	Cazadero 🌿	Street Sense	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	120
7	County Final 🌿	Oxbow	Ennis, John, Noriega, Hayden and 47 Roses, LLC	Ennis	Graham	120

**Breeders:** 1-Richard Forbush, 2-Keith Asmussen, 3-Arindel, 4-Mike Heitzmann, Jill Heitzmann & WinStar Farm, LLC, 5-Mike G. Rutherford, 6-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 7-Calumet Farm

**Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 6:20 p.m. EDT**

**REGRET S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Dominga	Ghostzapper	Don Alberto Stable	Cox	Bridgmohan	118
2	His Glory 🌿	Mineshaft	Joe Sharp	Sharp	Hernandez, Jr.	118
3	Stunning Sky 🌿	Declaration of War	Paradise Farms Corp.	Maker	Gaffalione	118
4	In Good Spirits	Ghostzapper	Bal Mar Equine, LLC	Stall, Jr.	Mena	118
5	Crystal Cliffs (Fr)	Canford Cliffs (Ire)	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables & Wonder Stables	Motion	Velazquez	118
6	Micheline	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Bravo	118
7	Edgee Angel 🌿	Competitive Edge	Self, Dorothy, Simms, Zack and Morgeson, Jay A.	Simms	Lanerie	118
8	Wexx	Declaration of War	Hinkle Farms	Jones	Beschizza	118
9	Eve of War	Declaration of War	Treadway Racing Stable	Pletcher	Geroux	118
10	Harvey's Lil Goil	American Pharoah	Estate of Harvey A. Clarke and Braverman, Paul	Mott	Garcia	118
11	Witez	More Than Ready	Mary Ann Charlston	Wilkes	Landeros	118
12	Pass the Plate	Temple City	Silverton Hill LLC	McGee	Leparoux	118
13	Hendy Woods 🌿	Uncle Mo	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Casse	Carroll	118

**Breeders:** 1-Don Alberto Corporation, 2-Farm III Enterprises LLC, 3-Stephen J. McDonald, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-M. L. Bloodstock Ltd., 6-Godolphin, 7-Stillmeadow Farm LLC, 8-Hinkle Farms, 9-Jeff Treadway, 10-Harvey A. Clarke, 11-Mary Ann Charlston, 12-Silverton Hill, LLC, 13-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC



## Leading Second-Crop Sires by Black-Type Horses

for stallions standing in North America through Wednesday, June 24

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>American Pharoah</b> (2012) by Pioneerof the Nile FYR: 2017 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: Private	4	10	2	6	--	--	89	19	505,855	1,796,958
2	<b>Constitution</b> (2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$40,000	3	7	2	5	1	2	80	25	1,133,300	2,468,528
3	<b>Honor Code</b> (2011) by A.P. Indy FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$30,000	2	5	2	3	1	2	53	19	320,000	1,337,463
4	<b>Bayern</b> (2011) by Offlee Wild FYR: 2017 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$15,000	--	5	--	2	--	--	59	21	107,915	956,545
5	<b>Tapiture</b> (2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	2	4	--	--	--	--	80	27	90,000	1,004,908
6	<b>Summer Front</b> (2009) by War Front FYR: 2017 Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$10,000	1	4	1	2	--	1	57	15	358,850	846,123
7	<b>Carpe Diem</b> (2012) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2017 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$15,000	--	3	--	1	--	--	75	19	123,344	1,212,389
8	<b>Khozan</b> (2012) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2017 Stands: Journeyman Stud FL Fee: \$8,500	1	3	--	2	--	--	61	28	111,889	1,178,949
9	<b>Liam's Map</b> (2011) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$35,000	--	3	--	2	--	2	62	20	210,000	1,109,038
10	<b>Palace Malice</b> (2010) by Curlin FYR: 2017 Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$25,000	2	3	1	1	--	--	73	16	260,000	837,324
11	<b>Wicked Strong</b> (2011) by Hard Spun FYR: 2017 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$6,000	1	3	--	--	--	--	74	18	59,425	680,350
12	<b>The Big Beast</b> (2011) by Yes It's True FYR: 2017 Stands: Ocala Stud FL Fee: \$6,000	2	3	--	--	--	--	40	17	129,318	660,066
13	<b>Mr Speaker</b> (2011) by Pulpit FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	1	3	--	1	--	--	44	11	83,600	514,072
14	<b>Tonalist</b> (2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$15,000	1	2	1	2	--	--	61	18	259,145	1,247,832
15	<b>Karakontie (Jpn)</b> (2011) by Bernstein FYR: 2017 Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	2	2	1	1	--	--	42	10	256,800	675,004

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## IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**EASY GOER S.**, \$60,000, Belmont, 6-25, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:42.37, ft.

1--**CELTIC STRIKER, 120, c, 3, Congrats--Shylock's Daughter, by Star Dabbl**er. (\$100,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Imperial Racing, LLC; B-Stoneview Farm, Inc. & Craig D. Upham (KY); T-Raymond Handal; J-Manuel Franco. \$44,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$121,600.

## **VINERY SALES GRADUATE**

2--**Sonneman**, 120, c, 3, Curlin--Zardana (Brz), by Crimson Tide (Ire). (\$375,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Courtlandt Farms (Donald & Donna Adam); B-Arnold Zetcher LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$16,000.

Margins: 19 3/4, NO. Odds: 1.75, 0.20.

Also Ran: Casino Grande. Scratched: Informative, Prodigious Bay, Toy.

Down to only two following the gate scratch of Toy (Tapizar), it was all Celtic Striker and GI Belmont S.-winning jockey Manny Franco in a runaway here. Playing a bit of cat and mouse down the backstretch with Jose Ortiz while racing in the five path, Celtic Striker led through fractions of :23.55 and :46.55, and was never seriously threatened by his heavily favored lone rival en route to a daylight victory. Celtic Striker, a second out maiden winner sprinting in the Monmouth slop last October, was overmatched in graded company after a front-running optional claiming win at Parx Feb. 8, finishing 11th in the GIII Gotham S. Mar. 7 and sixth in the GIII Matt Winn S. May 23. The winner's dam is also represented by the unraced 2-year-old filly Jedediah (Congrats) and a yearling colt by Declaration of War.

"I knew that my horse was a lot faster than the other one, so I took advantage," Franco said. "I just wanted to keep him on the inside to see what kind of move he made, and I made my move first. In a two-horse race, I didn't want to move too soon if I didn't have to, but I wanted to make it difficult for the other horse, too." **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



## IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**6th-Belmont, \$56,000, (S), Alw**, 6-25, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36.49, ft.

**MAKINGCENTS (f, 3, Goldencents--Mischief Maker {SW, \$267,617}, by Cape Town)**, a runaway maiden winner at third asking at this distance at Aqueduct Mar. 1, made it two straight with a dominating front-running score at odds of 4-1. It was 8 3/4 lengths back to favored Singular Sensation (Mineshaft) in second. Mischief Maker's most recent produce is an Empire Maker colt of 2019. Sales history: \$37,000 RNA Ylg '18 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-2, \$78,440. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Fortune Farm (Richard Nicolai); B-Windhorse Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart.

## **Another Webb Carroll Training Center Graduate**

**3rd-Indiana Grand, \$32,500, Alw** (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 6-25, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.56, ft.

**LASTCHANCEFORLOVE (f, 3, Violence--Awe Hush, by Awesome Again)**, a sharp front-running debut winner at Fair Grounds Feb. 21, showed speed and tired to finish a well-beaten eighth in her first try versus winners at Gulfstream Apr. 11. Given a 7-2 chance to get back on track here, the dark bay shot out to the front and was pressed through an opening quarter in :22.69. She began to shake clear approaching the quarter pole and wasn't for catching in the stretch. It was 4 1/2 lengths back to Myeerah (Constitution) in second. The winner's dam is also represented by a 2-year-old Wicked Strong filly, a yearling colt by Not This Time and a filly by Accelerate of this year. Sales history: \$190,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$46,890.

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O-Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch; B-White Fox Farm (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh.

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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**9th-Churchill Downs, \$79,874, Msw, 6-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.63, fm.**

**FLABBERGASTED (f, 3, Uncle Mo--Miss Luann {SP}, by Unbridled's Song),** second behind next out winner Cat's Pajamas (Street Sense) beneath the Twin Spires last time May 17, stalked and pounced her way to earn her cap and gown in style as the 9-5 favorite. It was 2 1/2 lengths back to Sursum Corda (Constitution) in second. The winner is a half to Nomorerichblondes (Hard Spun), GSW-UAE, \$237,388. Miss Luann had a Honor Code colt in 2019. Sales history: \$350,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$68,374. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-e Five Racing Thoroughbreds; B-Blue Devil Racing, LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.

**9th-Belmont, \$53,000, (S), Msw, 6-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:22.18, fm.**

**SILKY BLUE (f, 3, Hard Spun--Beautiful But Blue {MSW & GISP, \$395,450}, by El Corredor),** a well-beaten second in the Belmont slop in a rained-off affair last October, got the money at 18-1 fresh off the bench in this turf debut. She raced within striking distance in fourth, traveled smartly just behind the leaders on the far turn and outgamed favored Fresco (Freud) to the wire to graduate by a nose. Beautiful But Blue is also represented by a Curlin yearling colt. Sales history: \$220,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$41,550. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Colts Neck Stables LLC; B-Chester & Mary R. Broman (NY); T-Jorge Duarte, Jr.

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**Speightster (pictured) will be represented by first-time starter Fabricate at Churchill Downs Friday | Sarah Andrew**

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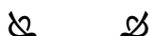
Love and Pride winning the Personal Ensign | Susie Raisher

In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this weekend running at Tokyo and Hanshin Racecourses. Group 1 racing will recess in Japan, but not before this weekend's running of the Takarazuka Kinen, featuring Lucky Lilac (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}), a daughter of 2011 GI Ashland S. winner Lilacs and Lace (Flower Alley):

**Saturday, June 27, 2020**

**6th-HSN, ¥9,680,000 (\$90k), Maiden, 3yo, 2000mT**

**PHARSALUS (c, 3, Giant's Causeway--Damsah, by Mr. Greeley)** switches to the turf for this third lifetime appearance, having finished down the field in a pair of dirt maidens over sprint distances. A \$150K Keeneland September yearling purchase, the chestnut is out of a daughter of MSW and eight-time group-placed Modeeroch (Ire) (Mozart {Ire}), the dam of MGSP Moteo (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}). Further down the page is dual Group 1-winning champion Belardo (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}). B-Al Shaqab Racing (KY)



**Sunday, June 28, 2020**

**5th-TOK, ¥13,400,000 (\$125k), Newcomers, 2yo, 1600mT**

**VOIX D'ANGE (f, 2, Curlin--Love and Pride, by A.P. Indy)** is the latest to the races for her dam, winner of the 2012 GI Personal Ensign H. and GI Zenyatta S. for Green Hills Farm and trainer Todd Pletcher. A \$675K KEESEP purchase by the Maeda family's North Hills Co. Ltd., the late February foal is a half-sister to Princesinha Julia (Pioneerof the Nile), winner of last year's Trapeze S., while her second dam Ile de France (Storm Cat) is a Grade I-placed half-sister to Darley America's Bernardini (A.P. Indy). Love and Pride was acquired by Borges Torrealba Holdings for \$4.9 million in foal to Distorted Humor at the 2013 Fasig-Tipton November sale. B-Three Chimneys Farm LLC (KY)

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**Speightster** (Speightstown), WinStar Farm, \$10,000

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2-Churchill Downs, Msw 6f, FABRICATE, 5-1

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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-Churchill Downs, \$82,627**, (NW3\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 6-25, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.08, ft.

**ABSOLUTELY AIDEN (c, 4, Stay Thirsty--Quiet City, by Carson City)** Lifetime Record: 12-6-0-1, \$242,563. O-Greg Frye & Wesley Hawley; B-John H. Clarke, Kimberly K. & Rodney H. Nardelli (KY); T-Wesley E. Hawley. \*\$52,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$100,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$120,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to Veneti (Old Trieste), MSP, \$176,185; Special Jo (Johannesburg), MGSP, \$329,608.

**6th-Woodbine, C\$78,368**, Opt. Clm (\$43,995-\$45,828), 6-25, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.00, fm.

**REAL MONEY (g, 4, Real Solution--Money Huntress, by Mineshaft)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-3, \$133,680. O-Gary Barber; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \*\$32,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$675,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR; \$22,000 3yo '19 KEENOV. \*\*1/2 to Adorable Miss (Kitten's Joy), MSW, \$162,590; Noble Beauty (Kitten's Joy), GSW, \$162,100.



**7th-Belmont, \$60,000**, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 6-25, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:07.84, fm.

**FAST GETAWAY (g, 5, Into Mischief--Stolen Star {MSP, \$210,544}, by Cat Thief)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-4-2, \$190,444. O/B-Chester & Mary R. Broman (NY); T-Linda Rice. \*1/2 to Highway Star (Girolamo), MGSW & MGISP, \$1,326,813; Captain Bombastic (Forty Tales), MSW, \$316,800.



**7th-Indiana Grand, \$45,000**, (S), 6-25, 3/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.87, ft.  
**UNBRIDLED CLASS (m, 5, Unbridled Express--Miss Carmelite, by Mutakddim)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 22-10-5-4, \$397,972. O/B-L.T.B. Inc & Hillerich Racing, Inc. (IN); T-Bernard S. Flint. \*Full to Ace of Aces, MSW, \$264,685; Express Model, SW, \$133,202; Express Run, SW, \$343,640.

**1st-Indiana Grand, \$38,500**, (S), 6-25, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.82, ft.

**TWO LAST WORDS (g, 3, Commissioner--My Peg, by Fusaichi Pegasus)** Lifetime Record: SW, 9-4-1-1, \$151,079. O-Deann

Baer; B-Deann & Greg Baer DVM (IN); T-Tim Glyshaw.

**4th-Indiana Grand, \$37,000**, (S), 6-25, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.67, fm.

**AZILOOK (m, 5, Sainly Look--Azidiscout, by Repriced)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$55,143. O/B-Gerald Holt (IN); T-A M. West.

**8th-Indiana Grand, \$35,880**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 6-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.83, fm.

**AMAZIMA (f, 4, Noble Mission {GB}--Taegu, by Halo)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-2, \$126,390. O-J. Steven Wilson; B-Mount Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. \*\$25,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$90,000 2yo '18 EASMAY; \$130,000 3yo '19 KEENOV. \*\*1/2 to Contributing (Medaglia d'Oro), SW, \$150,225; 1/2 to Classic Elegance (Carson City), MGSW, \$204,006.



**7th-Lone Star, \$35,000**, 6-24, (NW1X), 3/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.67, ft.  
**VIOLENT RIDGE (g, 5, Violence--Feel Ridge {Brz} {GSW-Brz, \$147,002}, by Choctaw Ridge)** Lifetime Record: SP, 15-4-3-2, \$173,386. O/B-BG Stables (CA); T-Robertino Diodoro. \*1/2 to Feeling Strong (Capital Account), MSP, \$154,493.

**5th-Penn National, \$31,600**, (S), 6-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.50, ft.

**BEYOND THE BEND (g, 3, Jump Start--Sharp and Sassy, by Sharp Humor)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$40,732. O/B-W. M. T. Stable & Sylmar Farm (PA); T-T. Bernard Houghton.

**2nd-Canterbury, \$25,500**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 6-25, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.42, ft.

**SO ALIVE (g, 4, Super Saver--Mythical Bride, by Street Cry {Ire})** Lifetime Record: GSP, 9-3-0-3, \$99,902. O-Cliff Racing, LLC; B-John D. Gunther (KY); T-Nevada Litfin. \*\$160,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. \*1/2 to Vino Rosso (Curlin), Ch. Older Dirt Male, MGISW, \$4,803,125.

**8th-Evangeline Downs, \$25,220**, (S), 6-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m (off turf), 1:39.91, sy.

**HALOSTAR (g, 4, Star Guitar--J Lo's Halo, by Sunny's Halo)** Lifetime Record: 11-2-1-0, \$35,750. O-BMS Racing Stable (Sarah Delany); B-Love Partnership Interests, L. P. (LA); T-Sarah Delany. \*\$2,200 RNA Ylg '17 ESLMIX; \$14,000 2yo '18 EQL2YO.

**3rd-Canterbury, \$25,000**, 6-24, (C), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.50, ft.

**HONDO LANE (c, 3, Mr Speaker--Super Buggy, by Grand Slam)**

Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$35,220. O/B-Roy Gene Evans (KY); T-S H. Davis. \*1/2 to Chief Cicatriz (Munnings), GSW, \$515,120.

**8th-Belterra, \$24,100**, (S), 6-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.06, ft.

**SISTER'S CREED** (f, 4, **Jimmy Creed**--Justoneatheguys, by **Corinthian**) Lifetime Record: SP, 9-3-0-3, \$47,815.

O-Sheltowee Farm; B-Daniel J. Yates & Patricia J. Yates (OH); T-Michael Evans II. \*\$70,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Lookin At Justice**, c, 2, **Atreides**--Traditionalist, by Aptitude. Indiana Grand, 6-25, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.76. B-Justice Farm, Greg Justice (IN). \*\$15,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT. \*\*1/2 to Memphisinmay (Rockport Harbor), SW, \$324,668; Southern Mischief (Into Mischief), SW, \$178,710. \*\*\*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Gold Button**, f, 3, **Gemologist**--I Be Me, by Mineshaft. Churchill Downs, 6-25, (C), 7f, 1:23.46. B-Canamer Farm (KY). \*\$24,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKOCT. \*\*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Seeking the Dream**, f, 3, **Great Notion**--Deanies Dancer, by Lion Hearted. Penn National, 6-24, 6f, 1:11.80. B-Elizabeth R. Houghton (PA). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Pretty Boy Dave**, g, 3, **Liaison**--Prettiereverydave, by Midnight Lute. Indiana Grand, 6-25, (S), 6f, 1:12.31. B-Christopher Steven Hancock (IN). \*\$5,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$6,000 2yo '19 OBSOPN.



**Caravel**, f, 3, **Mizzen Mast**--Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats. Penn National, 6-24, 5fT, :57.82. B-Elizabeth M. Merryman (PA). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Northern Journey**, f, 3, **Northern Afleet**--Beija Fleur, by Quaker Ridge. Belterra, 6-25, (S), 6f, 1:13.29. B-Robert M. Gorham (OH).

**Saratoga Love**, f, 3, **Palace Malice**--Vinda, by Vindication. Belmont, 6-25, (S), (C), 6fT, 1:08.30. B-George Weaver (NY). \*\$50,000 Ylg '18 SARAUG.



**Bellamy Cay**, f, 4, **Bellamy Road**--Cayman Colada, by Yonaguska. Evangeline Downs, 6-24, 1m (off turf), 1:40.73. B-Cypress Bend Farm (LA). \*\$15,000 Ylg '17 ESLYRL; \$47,000 2yo '18 TTAAPR. \*\*1/2 to Theoryintopractice (Into Mischief), SW, \$291,107.

**Aubey Ridge**, c, 4, **Itsmyluckyday**--Cristina Ridge, by Come



Uncle Mo's Flabbergasted graduates beneath the Twin Spires | Coady

Summer. Canterbury, 6-24, 7 1/2ft, 1:28.45. B-Winchester PlaceThoroughbreds, LLC (KY).



**ATREIDES**, Lookin At Justice, c, 2, o/o Traditionalist, by Aptitude. MSW, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**BELLAMY ROAD**, Bellamy Cay, f, 4, o/o Cayman Colada, by Yonaguska. MSW, 6-24, Evangeline

**COMMISSIONER**, Two Last Words, g, 3, o/o My Peg, by Fusaichi Pegasus. ALW, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**CONGRATS**, Celtic Striker, c, 3, o/o Shylock's Daughter, by Star Dabbler. Easy Goer S., 6-25, Belmont

**GEMOLOGIST**, Gold Button, f, 3, o/o I Be Me, by Mineshaft. MCL, 6-25, Churchill Downs

**GOLDENCENTS**, Makingcents, f, 3, o/o Mischief Maker, by Cape Town. ALW, 6-25, Belmont

**GREAT NOTION**, Seeking the Dream, f, 3, o/o Deanies Dancer, by Lion Hearted. MSW, 6-24, Penn National

**HARD SPUN**, Silky Blue, f, 3, o/o Beautiful But Blue, by El Corredor. MSW, 6-25, Belmont

**INTO MISCHIEF**, Fast Getaway, g, 5, o/o Stolen Star, by Cat Thief. AOC, 6-25, Belmont

**ITSMYLUCKYDAY**, Aubey Ridge, c, 4, o/o Cristina Ridge, by Come Summer. MSW, 6-24, Canterbury

**JIMMY CREED**, Sister's Creed, f, 4, o/o Justoneatheguys, by Corinthian. ALW, 6-25, Belterra

**JUMP START**, Beyond the Bend, g, 3, o/o Sharp and Sassy, by Sharp Humor. ALW, 6-24, Penn National

**LIAISON**, Pretty Boy Dave, g, 3, o/o Prettiereverydave, by Midnight Lute. MSW, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**MIZZEN MAST**, Caravel, f, 3, o/o Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats. MSW, 6-24, Penn National

**MR SPEAKER**, Hondo Lane, c, 3, o/o Super Buggy, by Grand Slam. ALW, 6-24, Canterbury

**NOBLE MISSION (GB)**, Amazima, f, 4, o/o Taegu, by Halo. AOC, 6-24, Indiana Grand

**NORTHERN AFLEET**, Northern Journey, f, 3, o/o Beija Fleur, by Quaker Ridge. MSW, 6-25, Belterra

**OLD FORESTER**, Pink Lloyd, g, 8, o/o Gladiator Queen, by Great Gladiator. GIII Jacques Cartier S., 6-25, Woodbine

**PALACE MALICE**, Saratoga Love, f, 3, o/o Vinda, by Vindication. MCL, 6-25, Belmont

**REAL SOLUTION**, Real Money, g, 4, o/o Money Huntress, by Mineshaft. AOC, 6-25, Woodbine



**Uncle Mo's Flabbergasted** | Coady

**SAINTLY LOOK**, Azilook, m, 5, o/o Azidiscout, by Repriced. ALW, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**STAR GUITAR**, Halostar, g, 4, o/o J Lo's Halo, by Sunny's Halo. ALW, 6-24, Evangeline

**STAY THIRSTY**, Absolutely Aiden, c, 4, o/o Quiet City, by Carson City. AOC, 6-25, Churchill Downs

**SUPER SAVER**, So Alive, g, 4, o/o Mythical Bride, by Street Cry (Ire). AOC, 6-25, Canterbury

**UNBRIDLED EXPRESS**, Unbridled Class, m, 5, o/o Miss Carmelite, by Mutakddim. ALW, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**UNCLE MO**, Flabbergasted, f, 3, o/o Miss Luann, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 6-25, Churchill Downs

**VIOLENCE**, Lastchanceforlove, f, 3, o/o Awe Hush, by Awesome Again. AOC, 6-25, Indiana Grand

**VIOLENCE**, Violent Ridge, g, 5, o/o Feel Ridge (Brz), by Choctaw Ridge. ALW, 6-24, Lone Star

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June 27	GI Just A Game S.	Belmont
	GII New York S.	Belmont
	GII True North S.	Belmont
	GIII Vagrancy H.	Belmont
July 4	GI Runhappy Metropolitan H.	Belmont
	GI Manhattan S.	Belmont
	GII Suburban H.	Belmont
	GIII Poker S.	Belmont
July 11	GIII Victory Ride S.	Belmont
	GII Ruffian S.	Belmont

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## NIGHT OF THUNDER COLT TOPS CRAVEN



The 575,000gns Night Of Thunder colt | Tattersalls

By Emma Berry

NEWMARKET, UK--Thunder is indeed expected in Newmarket as the scorching hot snap comes to an end but it appeared early at Tattersalls on Thursday when Darley's up-and-coming sire Night Of Thunder (Ire) was represented by the leading juvenile, at 575,000gns, of the Craven Breeze-up Sale. With Jane Chapple-Hyam one of the early determined bidders, the bragging rights eventually went to Tom Biggs of Blandford Bloodstock, who played the winning shot in a game of ping-pong in the seats between himself and underbidder Mark McStay.

Johnny Collins of Brown Island Stables had made a splash with a colt by the same sire at the Craven Sale of 2019 when selling the subsequent dual winner Path Of Thunder (Ire) to Godolphin for 375,000gns. He said, "After that I wanted to buy another Night Of Thunder but I'm not sure I'll be able to buy them in the future."

Last year's Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale purchase proved to be well bought at £72,000, and the profit he turned on Thursday will doubtless go some way to shoring up an uncertain year of trade for the pinhooker.

Collins added, "The colt never put a foot wrong. I bought him early [in August] and he is a late April foal and he has just kept progressing. He grew and he strengthened." [Cont. p2](#)

## BALLYDOYLE SIX IN LINE FOR IRISH DERBY CHALLENGE

Aidan O'Brien has declared six colts among the field of 15 set to go to post for Saturday's G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at The Curragh, with last week's G2 Queen's Vase winner **Santiago (Ire)** (Authorized {Ire}) looking the first string with Seamie Heffernan up. Wayne Lordan rides the G2 King Edward VII S. runner-up **Arthur's Kingdom (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}) in the largest field to grace the Classic since 1977. Santiago, who drops back two furlongs following his impressive Royal Ascot victory, has been done no favours by the draw with a wide posting in 11, while Joseph O'Brien's main chance **Crossfirehurricane** (Kitten's Joy) will also have to navigate a high draw in 13. Scott Heider's unbeaten G3 Gallinule S. scorer will be joined by the supplemented June 13 G1 Irish 1000 Guineas fourth **New York Girl (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}), who exits from stall 14 as the sole filly in the line-up. Jim Bolger relies on the maiden **Fiscal Rules (Ire)** (Make Believe {GB}), who was fifth in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas on June 12 and the homebred is drawn five, one out from Arthur's Kingdom who sports first-time cheekpieces.

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Santiago winning the Queen's Vase | Racing Post

## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### TIZ THE LAW TO COOLMORE UPON RETIREMENT

Recent G1 Belmont S. winner Tiz the Law (Constitution) will retire to Ashford Stud at the conclusion of his racing career. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

**Night Of Thunder Colt Tops Craven cont. from p1**

Tom Biggs was unable to divulge the owner or future trainer of the colt (lot 134), who is out of the winning Shadwell-bred mare Thurayaat (GB) Tamayuz (GB), a grand-daughter of the G1 Oaks and G1 1000 Guineas winner Midway Lady (Alleged). His dam had been bought by Oliver St Lawrence for breeder Imran Butt for just €19,000 at the 2018 Goffs February Sale when carrying him.

The roasting temperature outside the ring was on occasion reflected in some of the transactions within, but the high points were sporadic and there will be more hard-luck tales among pinhookers than there are congratulatory moments.



Tom Biggs | Tattersalls

After a rash of withdrawals and a smattering of late entries, 84 juveniles came under the hammer for the Craven Sale and, with vendors clearly taking a pragmatic approach, an encouraging 83% clearance rate was registered through the sale of 70 horses for a total of 6,649,500gns. That was 15 fewer than the number sold at last year's event and, in this extraordinary season, comparisons seem almost pointless but, as a guide, the average settled at 94,993gns, which was down by 22%, while the median dropped by 28% to 61,000gns.

**American Sires In Vanguard**

Known to have completed one of the fastest breezes on Monday and the only juvenile by the U.S. Triple Crown winner American Pharoah in the sale, lot 51 attracted plenty of attention as he entered the ring, though his purchaser was not there in person to place the decisive bid. The colt eventually brought the hammer down at 400,000gns to an online play from Simon Chappell.

Byron Rogers was one of the men responsible for buying the son of stakes winner Harlan's Honor for \$170,000 at the Keeneland September Sale and, with his team of fellow pinhookers at Star Bloodstock, decided to send the colt to be prepared for sale in Ireland by Johnny Hassett.

"We're delighted with that," Rogers said. "He's a tough little horse and has been very straightforward. He breezed really well and looked the part. We bought 14 horses last year and sold two privately before the sale. We also put two into training for the syndicate. There were three horses who really stood out for us in March and he was one of them, along with the Acclamation filly who sells later."

Contacted later by telephone, Simon Chappell said, "I know the guys at Star Bloodstock and they've been telling me this colt is a good horse all year. At 400,000gns there was no way I was letting a horse like him slip through the net. He's by the sire of the moment in American Pharoah, he did the third-fastest breeze and has a massive stride, so I used the online bidding system and bought the horse. He'll be going into training with Simon Crisford."

Another of the day's leading lights was lot 152, who wasn't even in the sale when the catalogues were first printed and only arrived in Ireland from America in early March. Willie Browne of Mocklershill took charge of the Normandy Farm-bred daughter of Hard Spun and said he was "flabbergasted" when she sold to Matt Coleman for 375,000gns.

"She's a lovely filly and her breeze was exceptional," he added.

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# Muhaarar

OASIS DREAM - TAHRIR (LINAMIX)

Sire of **FOUNTAIN CROSS**

Winner: Novice Stakes, 6f, Haydock  
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 Breeder: Glebe Farm Stud  
 Trainer: Richard Hannon




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"She only came to me on Mar. 2 and at that stage Fairyhouse was the only sale she could have gone to, but with the delay we brought her here and I think she is a seriously good filly."

The April-foaled filly is out of the Lemon Drop Kid mare Lemonette, a dual Grade III-placed winner of four races who has already produced the stakes-placed Basha (Uncle Mo) among her three winners to date.

Regular breeze-up buyer Peter Swann of the Cool Silk Partnership was alongside Coleman during the bidding and said afterwards, "We really liked this filly and we waited for her. She might end up going abroad, we have just sent Midnight Sands to Brendan Walsh in the U.S."

**Kodiac's Good Week Continues**

Anthony Stroud and Simon Crisford swooped for the top-priced son of Kodiac (GB) in the sale (lot 71), who was bought for Sheikh Duaij Al Khalifa for 300,000gns. The colt out of the unraced Sea The Stars (Ire) mare Life Of Pi (GB) had been bought at the December Sale for 125,000gns by Dromoland Farm and was offered by Roger Marley and John Cullinane of Church Farm & Horse Park Stud.

"He ticked all the boxes and vetted well," said Stroud of the colt from the family of Derby entry Armory (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). "It seems so long ago that I last bought a horse."

Sheikh Duaij has previously enjoyed much success with breeze-up graduate A'Ali (Ire) (Society Rock {Ire}), who won the G2 Norfolk S., G2 Prix Robert Papin and G2 Flying Childers S. and was also trained by Crisford.

Another of the day's leading lots (53) looks likely to remain in Newmarket for the time being in the care of trainer Amy Murphy after Chris Dwyer and Victoria de Sousa went to 270,000gns to buy Grove Stud's Kodiac colt out of Honey mead (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}).

"He'll stay in Britain for now," said de Sousa, who was also consigning horses later in the day at the Ascot Breeze-up Sale. "He's a good strong colt and he's been bought for a client of Chris who lives abroad."

Bred on the same cross as the dual Group 1 winner Fairyland (Ire), the colt is a half-brother to the unbeaten 3-year-old High Accolade (Ire) (Outstrip {GB}), who won for the second time on Sunday.

The third Kodiac 2-year-old among the day's top 10 lots was lot 96, who was bred by his consignor Tally-Ho Stud and sold to Alex Elliott for 220,000gns. The colt out of the once-raced Cadeaux Genereux (GB) mare Najrann (GB) will race for a partnership from the stable of Archie Watson.

"He came highly recommended, Roger [O'Callaghan] told me of two horses in the early spring and this was one of them," Elliott said. "I bought Setarhe (Ire) from Tally-Ho last year and she finished second in last week's [G3] Albany S. Kodiac had a great Royal Ascot and is the sire on everyone's lips."

**Freshman Sires In Demand**

Shalaa (Ire) and Twilight Son (GB) both have their first runners on the track at present and a member of each of their debut crops featured in the day's top 10.

Breeder Toby Barker offered his Shalaa colt through Malcolm Bastard as lot 68 and was rewarded with a final bid of 250,000gns from Richard Brown of Blandford Bloodstock.

"This horse did an exceptional breeze, in every way--visually, and on time and stride," said Brown, who added that the colt will be trained by Simon Crisford. "Shalaa has made a good start, we like the stallion. His runners so far look as though they are going to seven-furlong or miling types. This mare has done it already."

The mare Lauren Louise (GB) (Tagula {Ire}) has indeed been a star for Barker. Her two best offspring are Blaine (GB) (Avonbridge {GB}), winner of the G2 Gimcrack S. in 2012, and Bogart (GB)

(Bahamian Bounty {GB}), whose four wins include the Listed Redcar Two-Year-Old Trophy.

"We were not sure coming into today," said Bastard. "He came to me in January and has always worked well."

The colt's breeder added, "He was a bit backward, so we decided to wait. Malcolm has done a great job. The mare has been phenomenal for us and I just try to keep out of her way."



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Scarlet Dragon	Duke Of Edinburgh Stakes (Handicap)	Alan King	Hollie Doyle	Hp Racing Scarlet Dragon
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The Twilight Son filly (lot 67) was one of a pair of expensive purchases by John and Jake Warren and was bought for Highclere's Bermuda Thoroughbred Racing.

"Twilight Son has been going okay and we hope that this horse will be his flagbearer," said Jake Warren.

Bred by Powerstown Stud, a regular name on the breeze-up consignors' list, the half-sister to Group 3-placed Naseem Sea (Ire) (Bahri) was bought for €67,000 as a foal by Tally-Ho Stud.

The Warrens also went to 250,000gns for a colt by Siyouni (Fr), who was offered as lot 80 by the partnership of Longways Stables and Star Bloodstock. An expensive yearling pinhook at 220,000gns, he is the first foal of the G3 Dick Poole Fillies's S. runner-up Marsh Hawk (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and will now race in the colours of Isa Salman Al Khalifa.

"He is by a top sire and out of a brilliant racemare, and he is a very exciting prospect," said Warren, who added that the colt would be trained by Richard Hannon.

### Chairman Praises Vendors' Commitment

Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony said he was looking forward to the easing of travel restrictions which would simplify conditions for potential buyers at the Guineas and July Sale next month but was nevertheless encouraged by the level of international participation at the Craven Sale, particularly via the company's online platform. He said, "First and foremost we would like to pay tribute to each and every individual who has worked so hard to make sure that the 2020 Craven Breeze-up Sale took place under almost normal conditions, albeit more than two months later than intended. In particular, we should recognise the patience and commitment of the breeze-up consignors who have worked with us every step of the way and have adapted to the challenges that the global pandemic has thrown at people in every walk of life. None of us can pretend that the past few months have been easy, but in these times of adversity it has been even more pleasing than usual to see so many of the consignors well rewarded. A clearance rate of 83%, an average price nudging 100,000 guineas and a top-priced colt matching last year's highest-priced colt are very respectable statistics and reflect the outstanding professionalism of the breeze-up consignors who, as ever, brought a fine collection of



Jamie Spencer | Tattersalls

2-year-olds to the Craven Breeze-up Sale."

Mahony continued, "We should equally recognise the huge contribution made by today's purchasers. They have yet again demonstrated the enduring appetite for quality European Thoroughbreds and the esteem in which the Craven breeze-up is

held. Even in these extraordinary times we have had buyers active from all corners of the world, including Australia, Bahrain, Dubai, Hong Kong, Kuwait, Qatar and Spain, and the domestic demand has also exceeded expectations. Obviously the highlight was Johnny Collins's spectacular pinhooking triumph with his outstanding 575,000 guineas sale-topping Night Of Thunder colt, but there were numerous other success stories and we can be confident that there will be plenty of 2020 Craven Breeze-up graduates

performing at the highest level."

He added, "We are expecting international travel restrictions to be eased in the near future, which will be a great relief and, as we look forward to the Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-up and July Sale, it has also been encouraging to see the new internet bidding facility being widely used by buyers at all levels of the market. We have done our best to explore every possible way for buyers to participate at our sales in these unusual times and it has clearly been well received."

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**TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE**

SESSION TOTALS	2020	2019
• Catalogued	154	147
• Number Offered	84	109
• Number Sold	70	85
• Not Sold	14	24
• Clearance Rate	83%	78%
• No. \$500K+	1	2
• High Price	575,000gns	850,000gns
• Gross	6,649,500gns	10,343,000gns
• Average (% change)	94,993gns (-21.9%)	121,682gns
• Median (% change)	61,000gns (-28.2%)	85,000gns

# SALE TOPPERS

## TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE

LOT	SIRE   DAM	PRICE(gns)
134	<b>c, Night Of Thunder (Ire)–Thurayaat (GB)</b> (£72,000 yrl '19 DONPRM) Breeder: The Flying One (GB) Consignor: Brown Island Stables, Ireland Purchaser: Blandford Bloodstock	575,000
51	<b>c, American Pharoah–Harlan's Honor</b> (\$170,000 yrl '19 KEESEP) Breeder: Bridlewood Farm (USA) Consignor: Star Bloodstock Purchaser: Simon Chappell	400,000
152	<b>f, Hard Spun–Lemonette</b> Breeder: Normandy Farm (USA) Consignor: Mocklershill, Ireland Purchaser: Cool Silk Part./Stroud Coleman	375,000
71	<b>c, Kodiak (GB)–Life of Pi (GB)</b> Breeder: Mr. J Dance (GB) Consignor: Church Farm & Horse Park Stud, Ireland Purchaser: Stroud Coleman Bloodstock	300,000
53	<b>c, Kodiak (GB)–Honeymead (Ire)</b> (310,000gns yrl '19 TATOCT) Breeder: James F. Hanly (Ire) Consignor: Grove Stud, Ireland Purchaser: Chris Dwyer, agent	270,000
80	<b>c, Siyouni (Fr)–Marsh Hawk (GB)</b> (220,000gns yrl '19 TATOCT) Breeder: Rockcliffe Stud (Ire) Consignor: Longways Stables & Star Bloodstock Purchaser: John & Jake Warren	250,000
68	<b>c, Shalaa (Ire)–Lauren Louise (GB)</b> Breeder: Toby Barker (GB) Consignor: Mr. Malcom Bastard Purchaser: Blandford Bloodstock	250,000
96	<b>c, Kodiak (GB)–Najraan (GB)</b> Breeder: Tally-Ho Stud (Ire) Consignor: Tally-Ho Stud, Ireland Purchaser: A C Elliott, agent	220,000
67	<b>f, Twilight Son (GB)–Laqataat (Ire)</b> (€68,000 wnl '18 GOFNOV; €62,000 yrl '19 GOFORB) Breeder: Powerstown Stud (Ire) Consignor: Tally-Ho Stud, Ireland Purchaser: John & Jake Warren	210,000
83	<b>f, Dubawi (Ire)–Meeznah</b> (180,000gns yrl '19 TATOCT) Breeder: Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB)	200,000

Consignor: Egmont Stud, Ireland

Purchaser: David Redvers Bloodstock

# THE GOLDEN TOUCH

## TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE

LOT	SIRE   DAM	PRICE (gns)
28	<b>c, Dandy Man (Ire)–Coincidentally (GB)</b> Bred by Tom Radley Consigned By Oak Tree Farm Purchased by Colm Sharkey, Agent  This colt out of the three-time winner Coincidentally provided a nice score for Norman Williamson, the Irish agent having picked him up for €52,000 at Tattersalls Ireland last September.	140,000
129	<b>c, Exceed and Excel (Aus)–Sufoof (Ire)</b> Bred by Lynn Lodge Stud Consigned By Knockanglass Stables Purchased by SackvilleDonald  This grandson of the G3 Athasi S. victress Walayef (Danzig) was bought by Highflyer Bloodstock for £35,000 at Goffs UK as a yearling. He is the first foal out of the mare, who was herself a 55,000gns find by Mags O'Toole from the Tattersalls July Sale of 2017 while carrying him.	140,000
141	<b>c, Mehmas (Ire)–Walaaa (Ire)</b> Bred by DR Tucker Consigned by C.A.J. Stables Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock  The well-supported Mehmas has made a strong start with his first 2-year-olds in recent weeks, and this colt could soon add his name to the Tally-Ho resident's roster of winners. He was also a good pinhooking score, having been bought for £14,000 as a yearling. He first went through the ring for 16,000gns at Tattersalls December as a foal when bought by Yeomanstown Stud, and he was in utero when his dam was purchased for €14,000 at Arqana December in 2017.	130,000
144	<b>c, Adaay (Ire)–Winifred Jo (GB)</b> Bred by Mr Max Weston Consigned by C.H. Thoroughbreds Purchased by A C Elliott, Agent  By another first-season sire, this descendant of the GI Yellow Ribbon H. winner Bonne Ile turned a tidy profit here, having cost £36,000 at Doncaster last August.	155,000

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## JETTING IN FOR THE FRESH PRINCE OF THE RING *By Emma Berry*



The Tattersalls Ascot-topping Prince Of Lir colt | Tattersalls

NEWMARKET, UK--There may have been one significant Prince Of Lir (Ire) colt missing from those originally consigned for the Tattersalls Ascot Breeze-up but the Ballyhane Stud resident still made his presence felt as the sire of three of the top eight lots of the sale.

The G2 Norfolk S. winner The Lir Jet (Ire) was withdrawn by Robson Aguiar and sold privately ahead of the delayed auction but that hold up has worked in other peoples' favour. Heading the list of those who found themselves in the ring on Thursday afternoon was lot 13, the colt from Knockanglass Stables out of the listed-placed juvenile winner Harvest Joy (Ire) (Daggers Drawn), who sold for 92,000gns to Mark McStay of Avenue Bloodstock.

"He's a lovely horse and we are delighted to have bought him," said McStay, who was acting on behalf of a group of owners with Joe Parr, who is in his first season training in Newmarket. "We thought he was one of the nicest horses on the sales ground and he compared very favourably with those in the Craven Sale, both on type and on the time he did for his breeze. He was prepared very well by Thomond O'Mara, who recommended him highly."

Bred by John Hutchinson, the colt was bought by O'Mara for €10,000 at the Goffs February Sale. McStay added, "He might have been considerably cheaper 10 days ago had it not been for The Lir Jet but we hope he might be the next one. The horse is eligible for the new Ballyhane Stakes at Naas so hopefully he can go over and win some of Joe Foley's money."

Peter Swann was the man who raced Prince Of Lir--a Norfolk S. winner and breeze-up graduate himself--and, while Swann had to play the role of underbidder on the sale's top lot, he picked up number two on the list, another colt by the sire for whom he has an understandable fondness.

Sold for 70,000gns, lot 23 was consigned by Mickey Cleere of MC Thoroughbreds. A son of the six-time American winner Little Italy (Proud Citizen), he was bred by Gerard Mullins.

Matt Coleman did the bidding on behalf of Swann's Cool Silk Partnership and said, "We missed out on The Lir Jet but Peter was very keen to buy a Prince Of Lir colt for Robert Cowell to train as he also trained the sire."

Prince Of Lir ended the sale as the leading sire with an average of 44,800gns for five sold.

The Cool Silk team also picked up a first-crop son of Pearl Secret (GB) (lot 85) for 45,000gns and ended the sale as leading buyer with three bought for 130,000gns. The Pearl Secret colt was another with particular significance for Swann as he is out of Bertorizzia (Fr) (Bertolini), an unraced half-sister to Cool Silk's G1 QIPCO British Champions Sprint winner Sands Of Mali (Fr) (Panis), himself a £75,000 purchase from the second edition of the Ascot Breeze-up Sale.

Despite a much denuded catalogue--after 39 withdrawals only 57 juveniles were offered for sale--the figures for what is usually the breeze-up season opener held up pretty well. Fifty horses (88%) sold for a total of 1,000,440gns, for a 21% improvement in the median to 15,750gns and an average which held steady at 20,009gns.

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Prince of Lir, winning the 2016 G2 Norfolk S., is responsible for the top two lots at Thursday's Tattersalls Ascot sale | *Racing Post*

# SALE TOPPERS

TATTERSALLS ASCOT BREEZE-UP SALE

## TOP THREE LOTS

LOT	SIRE   DAM	PRICE (gns)
13	<b>c, Prince Of Lir (Ire)–Harvest Joy (Ire)</b> (£10,000 yrl '19 DNPRM) Breeder: John Hutchinson Consignor: Knockanglass Stud Purchaser: Avenue Bloodstock	92,000
23	<b>c, Prince Of Lir (Ire)–Little Italy</b> Breeder: Gerard Mullins Consignor: M.C. Thoroughbreds Purchaser: Cool Silk Partnership/Stroud Coleman	70,000
34	<b>c, Starspangledbanner (Aus)–Mysterious Burg (Fr)</b> 58,000 (€18,000 wnl '18 GOFNOV; €10,000 yrl '19 GOFORB) Breeder: Ciaran De Barra Consignor: A.&N. Bloodstock Purchaser: BBA Ireland	



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### TATTERSALLS ASCOT BREEZE-UP SALE

SESSION TOTALS	2020	2019
• Catalogued	96	91
• Number Offered	57	78
• Number Sold	50	67
• Not Sold	7	11
• Clearance Rate	88%	86%
• High Price	92,000gns	£110,000
• Gross	1,000,440gns	£1,377,000
• Average (% change)	20,009gns	£20,552
• Median (% change)	15,750gns	£13,000

\*Note: this year's sale was conducted in Guineas due to the move to Park Paddocks

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# EUROPEAN NEWS

## Ballydoyle Six In Line For Irish Derby Challenge cont. from p1

In an unusual year where the Irish Classic precedes the G1 Investec Derby by a week, Aidan O'Brien is keeping **Russian Emperor (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), **Mogul (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Vatican City (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) back for Epsom. According to *Racing Post*, **Armory (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) has been described as a possible for the blue riband and also the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club on July 5.

Jump racing supremo Rachael Blackmore will take part in the race after she was handed the ride on the Emmet Mullins-owned and trained maiden **King of the Throne (Hard Spun)**. Second to another of Joseph O'Brien's contenders **Galileo Chrome (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) in a 10-furlong Curragh maiden in which Ballydoyle's outsider **Dawn Rising (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) was fourth on June 12, the chestnut is a fairytale ride for one of the National Hunt sport's leading pilots who has three wins on the level under her belt already in 2020. "I can't believe it--it's pretty cool to be riding in it and very exciting," she said. "I'm really looking forward to it and feel like I'm an impostor, but it means a lot. I never dreamt of riding in a Classic and fair play to Emmet for giving me the ride."

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## MILITARY MARCH OUT OF DERBY



Military March winning the Autumn S. | *Racing Post*

Godolphin G3 Autumn S. winner and G1 2000 Guineas fourth **Military March (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}) has been ruled out of the July 4 G1 Investec Derby after suffering a setback, according to trainer Saeed bin Suroor. Military March was third favourite for the blue riband. [Cont. p8](#)



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“He’ll be back by the end of the season, but his setback means no Derby,” the trainer said. “He’s a nice horse, we like him and he was doing really well so it’s really unfortunate. He’ll have a break now, but he should be back in October and we’ll look forward to that.

“It’s sad that he’s not running. He ran a good race in the Guineas and the Derby looked the perfect race for him; we’ve always felt he was a mile-and-a-quarter or mile-and-a-half horse, but he’s still one to look forward to in the future. It’s not serious, but he just needs time.

“He would have been my best chance in the Derby for a long time.”

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## KAMEKO PLEASES BALDING IN KEMPTON GALLOP



Kameko winning the Guineas | *Racing Post*

Trainer Andrew Balding said he has “been really pleased” with **Kameko** (Kitten’s Joy) since his victory in the June 6 G1 2000 Guineas, and that the Qatar Racing colorbearer came through a racecourse gallop at Kempton on Wednesday well. He is aiming for the July 4 G1 Investec Derby.

“He went to Kempton [on Wednesday] for a gallop, which we did before Newmarket 10 days prior, and it went well,” Balding said. “We had the option of going to Epsom, they kindly offered, but I felt he needed a decent piece of work and I felt more comfortable doing that at a place we’d done it before. We played safe, went to Kempton and we’re perfectly happy with what he did.

“We were all thrilled. It was an easy piece for him, relatively speaking, he worked with the same lead horses he worked with before the Guineas—not group horses by any stretch—but he pulled clear very nicely. In terms of pointing to his fitness levels, he had a really good blow, he scoped clean afterwards, and I

couldn’t be happier.”

Kameko is aiming to become the first colt to complete the Guineas/Derby double since Camelot (GB) in 2012. Just two others—Dawn Approach (Ire) and Saxon Warrior (Jpn)—have attempted it in the interim.

“Obviously there is no way of knowing [if he’ll stay the trip] until you try,” Balding said. “The figures show he’s very talented. The whole point of the Guineas and the Derby is that one is a test of speed and the other a test of temperament, stamina and agility. We’ve passed the speed test, now we’ve to pass the other.”

Balding’s father Ian is best known for training the great Mill Reef, who was second in the Guineas in 1971 before going on to win the Derby. Andrew Balding said his father has chimed in on his son’s Classic double attempt.

“My dad was saying, ‘why not gallop him over a mile and a half’ which is what they did in those days—Mill Reef did it between running in the Guineas and the Derby—but you can’t find it out at home, you’ve got to suck it and see,” the younger Balding said.

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## YOSHIDA PURCHASES POULICHES WINNER

Katsumi Yoshida of Northern Farm has purchased last month’s G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches winner **Dream And Do (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}) privately, *Journal de Galop* reports.

The deal was brokered by Emmanuel de Seroux of Narvick International, who said, “Dream And Do is a very pretty filly who is precocious with abundant class and speed, and she comes from an excellent maternal line. She will continue her career with [trainer] Frederic Rossi before retiring to Northern Farm in Japan. She matches perfectly the type of mare that Katsumi likes to have.”



Dream And Do | *Scoop Dyga*

### Yoshida Purchases Pouliches Winner cont.

Indeed, Yoshida enjoyed a purple patch over the winter with mares sourced from Japan; he purchased the dams of G1 Tenno Sho winner Fierement (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and triple Group 1 winner Admire Mars (Jpn) (Daiwa Major {Jpn}) at Arqana's December Breeding Stock Sale, and the dam of last year's Japanese Horse of the Year Lys Gracieux (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) was a private transaction. Yoshida has continued to be active at the top of the market at that sale, and his brother Teruya has also made a big splash for French-bred mares, his collection including Classic winners Avenir Certain (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), La Cressonniere (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) and Stacelita (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}), who has already producing Japanese champion and Classic winner Soul Stirring (Jpn) (Frankel {GB}).

Dream And Do had been previously campaigned as a homebred by Haras Du Logis Saint Germain, having been led out unsold at €80,000 from Arqana's August yearling sale. Out of the placed Librettist mare Venetias Dream (Ire), Dream And Do is from the family of Group 1-winning miler Charm Spirit (Ire) and influential broodmare Fanfreluche.

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## IRELAND TO ALLOW OWNERS FROM JULY 20

In line with government guidelines and re-opening procedures, Horse Racing Ireland has ammended a number of its COVID-19 protocols, and has revealed that from July 20 up to two owners per horse will be allowed on course for their race(s).

Before that, from July 1, the prohibition on racecourse attendees over the age of 70 will be removed; the limit on journalists and photographers will be increased to five from three; one representative of associations whose attendees are permitted to be at race meetings will be allowed; and premier handicaps will be opened to international runners in addition to all black-type races under both codes.

From July 20, two owners per horse will be permitted on course for their race(s) only. At this time, racecourses will be allowed to nominate up to five attendees which could include sponsors and racecourse board/committee members. Social-distanced trophy presentations for feature race will be permitted.

Current health screening and mask requirements will remain in place, and field sizes will remain limited to 18 with the exception of some feature races.

Brian Kavanagh, chief executive of Horse Racing Ireland, said, "Since we resumed racing in Ireland on June 8, the level of care and compliance with the Covid-19 protocols has been excellent and is appreciated by the Covid-19 teams in Horse Racing Ireland and the IHRB. While we're announcing some easing of the restrictions today, it is very important that everybody

continues to comply with the rules on the racecourse around social distancing and face masks, and the requirements around pre-health screening.

"We are delighted to be able to confirm today that owners will be permitted to return to the racecourse on July 20, with certain restrictions. Owners play a key role in Irish racing and their loyalty during this difficult period has been especially noteworthy, and from July 20 two owners per horse will be allowed to access the racecourse to see their horse run. We are working with racecourses around providing safe, achievable catering options for key personnel working at the racecourse and aim to have a consistent offering from July 20."

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## ARQANA SUMMER SALE CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for Arqana's Summer Sale, which has drawn 252 2-year-olds, fillies and mares and horses in training on July 20, is online. The dual purposes sale was given a timely advertisement at Royal Ascot when Santiago (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}) won the G2 Queen's Vase S., his dam having been purchased carrying him at the Summer Sale for €275,000 in 2016.

As per usual Wertheimer et Frere brings a coveted collection to Deauville, and its draft includes Humble (GB) (Cacique {Ire}) (lot 74), a 3-year-old filly from the family of Goldikova (Ire) (Anabaa); and Igo (Fr) (Lawman {Fr}) (lot 32), a 3-year-old filly out of a half-sister to Group 1 winner Polydream (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}).

The catalogue includes a selection of horses in training rated 90-plus. The 2-year-olds catalogued include a Showcasing (GB) colt who descends from the Group 1-winning mare Pharaoh's Delight (lot 6) and a Siyouni (Fr) colt (lot 22) with a handful of stakes winners under the second dam.

Fifteen slots have been reserved for wildcards.

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## GOFFS ARQANA BREEZE-UP OPEN FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION

Goffs Online, which will be offered for the first time at the July 1 Goffs Arqana 2020 Breeze-Up Sale at Doncaster, is now open for registration. Registrations must be made at least 48 hours prior to the start of the sale. To learn more about the Goffs Online bidding service, click [here](#).

Telephone bidding will also be available and can be made by contacting Tim Kent and Jeremy Mactaggart of Goffs UK and Eric Hoyer and Freddy Powell of Arqana. Phone bidders are required to supply a signed [Authorisation of Agent Form](#) appointing Goffs or Arqana to bid on their behalf.

“We are 100% committed to making our auctions as accessible as possible and Goffs Online allows purchasers to participate from anywhere in the world,” said Goffs Group Chief Executive Henry Beeby. “Indeed, online bidding will now be a permanent feature at all Goffs sales and we have developed a simple format that is very easy to use.”

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## PRIZE MONEY RELEASED FOR 2020 QATAR GOODWOOD FESTIVAL



Stradivarius winning at Goodwood | *Racing Post Photo*

Goodwood Racecourse released prize money for the 2020 Qatar Goodwood Festival Thursday. The five-day meeting, which will kick off with the G1 Goodwood Cup July 28, will offer a total prize fund of just over £2,300,000. The Qatar Goodwood Festival will run from July 28 through Aug. 1. A purse of £275,000 will be on offer for the week’s feature race--the G1 Qatar Sussex S.

“Obviously prize money for this year’s Qatar Goodwood Festival is less than previous years, and significantly less than we would want, but any major race meeting is reliant on attendances and hospitality for the majority of its revenue,” said Adam Waterworth, MD at Goodwood. “Without the support of all our sponsors--but especially that from the Qatar Racing and Equestrian Club--we would not have been able to offer anything like the prize money levels.”

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## LGBT+ AWARENESS OFFERED IN BRITISH RACING

The Diversity in Racing Steering Group’s dedicated LGBT+ sub-group launched a new **e-learning module** to improve LGBT+ awareness and inclusion within British racing. The module has

been included in the mandatory licensing courses at the British Racing School and National Horseracing College. The module, available for free via **Racing2Learn**, is accessible to anyone involved in the industry.

The LGBT+ dedicated sub-group was developed following research which indicated many individuals who identified as a sexual minority did not feel comfortable ‘coming out’ at work, despite largely positive attitudes towards sexual minority individuals throughout the sport. The group aims to influence social change and promote a diverse and fully inclusive industry. Scheduled for later in the year, the LGBT+ network will offer a program designed for role models and allies to share their experiences and collaborate to support anyone in British racing who identifies as LGBT+.

Comprised of members from across the racing industry, the initiative will offer updates via **@RacingWithPride** on Twitter.

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## TELECASTER THE TOAST IN LA COUPE

Unperturbed by stifling conditions despite the early hour, Castle Down Racing’s **Telecaster (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}) bounced back, from a run of three defeats, in style to garner Thursday’s breakfast edition of the 10-furlong G3 La Coupe at ParisLongchamp. The Hughie Morrison trainee had finished off the board in both G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Eclipse S., after posting an emphatic triumph in York’s G2 Dante S., and made his belated seasonal return with a third, behind subsequent G1 Prince of Wales’s S. hero Lord North (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in this year’s staging of the June 7 G3 Brigadier Gerard S. at Haydock. With France’s authorities making the sensible decision to shift the racing schedule and avoid the highest temperatures of a European heatwave, the bay went postward as the 2-5 favourite and slotted into third, several lengths off the pacesetter **Diamond Vendome (Fr)** (Style Vendome {Fr}), as the field raced in single file for the most part. Angled away from the rail and into the open with 500 metres remaining, Telecaster powered to the front soon after passing the quarter-mile marker and lengthened clear in imperious fashion to easily outclass **Romanciere (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}) by four lengths. It was another 4 1/2 lengths back to **Mr Satchmo (Fr)** (Mr. Sidney) in third.

“He is quite electric, but strong-headed and I was hoping there’d be a strong pace so I could get him to relax,” explained winning rider Christophe Soumillon. “French races are often tactical and that could have played against him, but with the pace ahead he travelled beautifully. When I asked him he was very strong and responded and, at the end, I won easily. It was probably not the best Group 3, but there is no doubt that he can do well at a higher level. The course is in a beautiful condition, it’s good-to-soft and rides perfect.”



Telecaster | Scoop Dyga

### Pedigree Notes

Telecaster is one of three winners and the leading performer produced by MG1SP G1 Epsom Oaks and G1 Irish Oaks second Shirocco Star (GB) (Shirocco {Ger}), herself out of a winning half-sister to three black-type winners headed by G1 Irish 2000 Guineas runner-up and G3 Tetrarch S.-winning sire France (GB) (Desert Prince {Ire}). The February-foaled bay is the second of four foals and a half-brother to the year-younger G3 Autumn S. and G3 Solario S. placegetter Al Suhail (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and a 2020 foal by Frankel (GB).

#### Thursday, ParisLongchamp, France

**LA COUPE-G3**, €56,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-25, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:01.98, g/s.

1--**TELECASTER (GB)**, 126, c, 4, by **New Approach (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Shirocco Star (GB)** (MG1SP-Ire, G1SP-Eng & GSP-Fr, \$485,970), by **Shirocco (Ger)**

2nd Dam: **Spectral Star (GB)**, by **Unfuwain**

3rd Dam: **Hyperspectra (GB)**, by **Rainbow Quest**

(180,000gns RNA Ylg '17 TATOCT). O-Castle Down Racing; B-Meon Valley Stud (GB); T-Hugh Morrison; J-Christophe Soumillon. €28,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Eng, 7-3-1-1, €142,731. \*1/2 Al Suhail (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), MGSP-Eng. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.** **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ \*Triple Plus\*.**

2--**Romanciere (Ire)**, 122, f, 4, **Dansili (GB)**--Balladeuse (Fr), by Singspiel (Ire). O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (IRE); T-Andre Fabre. €11,200.

3--**Mr Satchmo (Fr)**, 126, g, 5, Mr. Sidney--Windya (Fr), by Linamix (Fr). O-OTI Management Pty Ltd, Alexandre Houyvet, Yan Houyvet, SCEA Carant, Mickael Devena, Mme Christine Hersant & Mme Flore Houyvet; B-Jean-Yves Payet-Descombes, Ecurie Biraben & Mme Jocelyne Payet-Descombes (FR); T-Antoine de Watrigant. €8,400.

Margins: 4, 4HF, SNK. Odds: 0.40, 7.30, 12.00.

Also Ran: Subway Dancer (Ire), Diamond Vendome (Fr), Nisreen (Ire). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.** **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

### SPACE BLUES ON TOP IN PARIS

ParisLongchamp's morning action continued with the G3 Prix de la Porte Maillot, Europe's second pattern race of the day, and it was another raider from Britain taking the plaudits in the capital. Godolphin's **Space Blues (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who placed in both G1 Prix Jean Prat and G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest last term, had tasted stakes success in Epsom's Listed Surrey S. on Oaks day last year and the 'TDN Rising Star' doubled his stakes tally with victory in Haydock's Listed Spring Trophy on seasonal return last time. The 1-2 favourite was positioned off the clear leader, **Azano (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), along the rail in third after a slick getaway from the inside stall. Shaken up when inching into the clear at the quarter-mile marker, he was not for catching thereafter and kept on strongly under whipless cajoling in the latter stages to comfortably hold stablemate **D'bai (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) by 1 1/4 lengths, with **Stunning Spirit (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) a half-length further adrift in third.

"We went a furious pace early so everyone found their place in the field and I was able to get a good position without any early fights," explained winning rider Mickael Barzalona. "I came out soon after turning for home because I feared the horse in front and didn't want to give Space Blues too much to do. He quickened nicely as the class act he is and won very safely. Six furlongs would be too sharp for him and I imagine the [G1] Maurice de Gheest could be a nice option for him again, but it's not my decision."

### Pedigree Notes

Space Blues, one of four winners produced by G2 Challenge S. victress Miss Lucifer (Fr) (Noverre), is a half-brother to MGSW G2 Al Maktoum Challenge and G3 UAE Oaks winner Shuruq (Elusive Quality), herself the dam of stakes-winning GII Fair Grounds Oaks and GIII Wonder Again S. placegetter Antoinette (Hard Spun). The homebred chestnut is also kin to the unraced 2-year-old filly Beautiful Future (Ire) (Night of Thunder {Ire}). Miss Lucifer is out of a winning half-sister to G2 King Edward VII S.-winning sire Amfortas (Ire) (Caerleon) and fellow sires Chevalier (Ire) (Danehill) and Chief Lone Eagle (Giant's Causeway). She is also kin to G3 Prix de Royaumont victress Legend Maker (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), herself the dam of G1 1000 Guineas heroine Virginia Waters (Kingmambo), and to the dam of G1 Matron S. victress Chachamaidee (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}).



'TDN Rising Star' Space Blues | Scoop Dyga

Thursday, ParisLongchamp, France

**PRIX DE LA PORTE MAILLOT-G3**, €56,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-25, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:19.91, g/s.

1--**SPACE BLUES (IRE)**, 130, c, 4, by **Dubawi (Ire)**

1st Dam: Miss Lucifer (Fr) (GSW-Eng, \$193,403),  
by Noverre

2nd Dam: Devil's Imp (Ire), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB)

3rd Dam: High Spirited (Ire), by Shirley Heights (GB)

'TDN Rising Star' O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby;  
J-Mickael Barzalona. €28,000. Lifetime Record: SW &  
MGSP-Eng, MG1SP-Fr, 11-5-3-1, €263,646. **Werk Nick Rating:**  
**A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**D'bai (Ire)**, 130, g, 6, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Savannah Belle (GB), by  
Green Desert. O-Godolphin; B-Lodge Park Stud (IRE); T-Charlie  
Appleby. €11,200.

3--**Stunning Spirit (GB)**, 130, h, 6, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Stunning  
View, by Dynaformer. (€65,000 5yo '19 ARQARC). O-Le Haras  
de la Gousserie; B-George Strawbridge (GB); T-Frederic Rossi.  
€8,400.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 1HF. Odds: 0.50, 8.80, 14.00.

Also Ran: Grace Spirit (GB), Duhail (Ire), Azano (GB),  
Stormbringer (GB), We Go (Fr). **Click for the Racing Post result**  
**or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video,**  
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## OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

### DAUGHTER OF MASSARRA DEBUTS AT THE CURRAGH

4.15 Curragh, Mdn, €16,500, 2yo, f, 6fT

**FRIENDLY (IRE) (Galileo {Ire})** was not foaled until May 15th, so improvement can be expected in due time but it is interesting that Aidan O'Brien has opted to go so soon with the 12th progeny out of the speedy Massarra (GB) (Danehill). All of her full-siblings Mars (Ire), Gustav Klimt (Ire), Wonderfully (Ire), Cuff (Ire) and Blissful (Ire) and her half-sister Nayarra (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) were able to make their mark in black-type company at different levels and this chestnut relative of Invincible Spirit (Ire) needs close watching as she debuts against Moyglare Stud's **A Ma Chere (Ire) (Kodiac {GB})**, a Dermot Weld-trained daughter of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas runner-up Mad About You (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}).

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Massarra, with Pat Eddery aboard, winning at Newmarket in 2001  
*Racing Post*

# TDN Rising Stars

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## FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

### Friday, June 26:

#### UNITED KINGDOM

##### **Adaay (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Whitsbury Manor Stud

94 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners  
13:40-NEWMARKET, 6f, ADAAY DREAM (GB)  
£20,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, A DAY OF MISCHIEF (GB)

##### **Awtaad (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud

94 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
13:40-NEWMARKET, 6f, WISPERING ANGEL (Ire)  
£20,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €9,000 Goffs  
Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2019

##### **Bobby's Kitten** (Kitten's Joy), Lanwades Stud

77 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
13:40-NEWMARKET, 6f, BOBBY ON THE BEAT (Ire)  
24,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, COPPER KITTEN (GB)  
£3,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, LITTLE GEM (GB)  
£3,000 Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3

##### **Buratino (Ire)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Kildangan Stud

88 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
13:20-DONCASTER, 6f, BELVEDERE BLAST (Ire)  
€7,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €30,000 Tattersalls  
Ireland September Yearlings 2019

##### **Charming Thought (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), Dalham Hall Stud

48 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, GEMS JEWEL (GB)  
3,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 1,000gns RNA  
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 4

##### **Coulsty (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Rathasker Stud

44 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, SANTOSHA (Ire)

##### **The Gurkha (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

120 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
14:10-NEWMARKET, 6f, MAJD AL ARAB (Ire)

##### **The Last Lion (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}), Kildangan Stud

43 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
13:20-DONCASTER, 6f, BRANSTON LION (Ire)  
€30,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; 21,000gns Tattersalls  
October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 2

##### **Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud

146 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, ALONE TIME (Ire)  
£20,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
13:20-DONCASTER, 6f, METHOD (Ire)  
€16,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; £20,000 Goffs UK  
Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019

##### **Pearl Secret (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}), Chapel Stud

43 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
17:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, SHEILA O'SHEA (GB)  
4,800gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 4

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## Thursday's Results:

**EBF ETERNAL FILLIES S.**-Listed, £30,500, Haydock, 6-25, 3yo, f, 7f 37yT, 1:25.80, g/f.

1--**UNDER THE STARS (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by **Night of Thunder (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Jumeirah Palm Star (GB)**, by **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Golden Flyer (Fr)**, by **Machiavellian**

3rd Dam: **Shir Dar (Fr)**, by **Lead On Time**

(6,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT). O-Saeed Manana; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (IRE); T-James Tate; J-PJ McDonald. £17,297. Lifetime Record: GSW-Eng, 8-4-0-0, \$196,753.

2--**Jovial (GB)**, 126, f, 3, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Joyeuse (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute. £6,558.

3--**Althiqa (GB)**, 126, f, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Mistrusting (Ire), by Shamardal. O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby. £3,282. Margins: NK, HF, HF. Odds: 5.50, 6.50, 2.50.

Also Ran: Stormy Girl (Ire), Wejdan (Fr), Separate (GB), Stylistique (GB), Boomer (GB), Final Option (GB), Dancing Feet (Ire), Spring Of Love (GB), Nina Bailarina (GB). Scratched: Afraid of Nothing (GB), Between Hills (Ire). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#).**

With some 1000 Guineas also-rans up against some unexposed types from leading stables, this looked a strong renewal on paper of the race initially staged at Warwick and now customarily the property of the Northern track of Carlisle. In the event, it did not disappoint as the tough-as-teak Under the Stars came back from a big effort in the Guineas to upstage the lesser-campaigned exciting duo Jovial and Althiqa in a thriller. Jumping to the fore with success in the six-furlong G3 Princess Margaret



**Under the Stars winning at Haydock | *Grossick Racing***

S. on her second juvenile start in July, Under the Stars had been on the premises when fourth in the G2 Lowther S. also at that trip at York in August and when fifth in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. at The Curragh and fourth in Newmarket's G2 Rockfel S. trying an extra furlong the following month. Signing off with a win in the £150,000 Tattersalls October Auction S. back over six at Newmarket in October, the diminutive bay was in the firing line heading to two out in that venue's June 7 Classic before early freshness and the stiff mile took their toll. Drawn widest here, she was dropped out in rear early by PJ McDonald with a strong pace to run at. Stoked up a long way from home, she challenged wide and after joining battle with Jovial and Althiqa inside the last 150 yards toughed it out to the line, where she had recorded a fast time on the rapidly-baking surface.

"It was a very good performance and to be fair to [trainer] James [Tate], as soon as the draw was made he hatched the plan to take back and ride for luck," the winning rider said. "She probably was the best horse in the race and with a nicer draw would probably have won easier. She spit the bridle out early on and I had to niggle her, but that's a good thing--she has two ways of running, either to go up there and do a bit too much or to go to sleep when dropped out. If the cards fell right, I'd like to think she could get a bit of group 1 action and I think this is her trip. She is tough and gutsy."

Another remarkable bargain purchase by Saeed Manana, Under the Stars is out of a granddaughter of the GII Palomar H. winner Shir Dar (Fr) (Lead On Time), whose leading performer is the G3 Sandown Sprint S. runner-up Gee Kel (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). The fourth dam Irish Sea (Irish River {Fr}) is a half-sister to the G3 Meld S.-winning prolific producer Sailor's Mate (Shirley Heights {GB}) and to Grecian Sea (Fr) (Homeric {GB}) who was responsible for the G1 Yorkshire Oaks heroine Hellenic (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}). Jumeirah Palm Star's 2-year-old colt by The Last Lion (Ire) is named Lusaka (Ire), while she also has a yearling colt by Slade Power (Ire).

**2nd-Haydock, £6,400, Nov, 6-25, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.47, gd.**  
**FOUNTAIN CROSS (GB) (c, 2, **Muhaarar (GB)**--Infamous Angel {GB} {GSW-Eng, \$132,218}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus})**, who ran second of three over this trip in his June 15 debut at Goodwood last time, was sharply into stride and led from the outset of this straight dash. Coming under pressure when headed by Vedute (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) passing the quarter-mile marker he rallied gamely for three cracks of Pat Dobbs's whip to overpower that rival in the closing stages for a half-length success. Half-brother to a yearling filly by Showcasing (GB), he becomes the fourth scorer produced by G2 Lowther S. victress Infamous Angel (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), herself out of an unraced half-sister to Listed Stonehenge S. winner Sgt Pepper (Ire) (Fasliyev). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$6,683. O-Denis Barry; B-Glebe Farm Stud (GB); T-Richard Hannon.

**7th-Leicester, £5,400, Mdn, 6-25, 3yo/up, 10ft, 2:06.11, g/f. WISE GLORY (IRE) (g, 3, Muhaarar {GB}--Bint Almukhtar {Ire}, by Halling),** who was runner-up to the potentially smart Valyrian Steel (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) in a June 1 maiden over an extended 10 furlongs on Newcastle's Tapeta, was soon at the head of affairs. Professional in the final two furlongs, the 2-5 favourite saw off Golden Pine (Ire) (Golden Horn {GB}) to win by two lengths. The dam is an unraced granddaughter of the G3 Prix du Bois scorer The Perfect Life (Ire) (Try My Best) from the family of the dual champion sprinter Last Tycoon (Ire) and fellow sire Astronef (Ire). Her 2-year-old colt is by Dark Angel (Ire), while she also has a yearling full-brother to the winner. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$6,421.

O/B-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

**8th-Leicester, £5,400, Mdn, 6-25, 3yo/up, 10ft, 2:07.86, g/f. MY FRANKEL (GB) (c, 3, Frankel {GB}--My Special J's {GSW-Ire, SP-USA, \$156,781}, by Harlan's Holiday),** seventh on debut behind TDN Rising Star and G1 St James's Palace S. hero Palace Pier (GB) (Kingman {GB}) over seven furlongs at Sandown in August, was waited with behind the leading duo throughout the early stages. Sent to the front passing the two-furlong pole, the 11-10 favourite stayed on to secure a 1 1/2-length verdict over Nasraawy (Kitten's Joy). The first foal out of the dam, who took the G2 Debutante S., was the Listed Cocked Hat S. runner-up Main Street (GB) (Street Cry {Ire}). Connected to the champion Sacahuista and the sires Geri and A.P. Arrow, she has the 2-year-old colt Major J (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}) and a yearling colt by Nathaniel (Ire). Sales history: 380,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,338.

O-Saeed Suhail; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.



**Fountain Cross winning for Muhaarar at Haydock Thursday**  
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**British report cont.****ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Hot Scoop (GB)**, c, 2, **Hot Streak (Ire)**--News Desk (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). Bath & Somerset County, 6-25, 5f 160yT, 1:09.32. B-M. E. Broughton (GB). \*11,000gns Ylg '19 TAOCT.

**Establish (GB)**, c, 3, **Australia (GB)**--Azenzar (GB), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Bath & Somerset County, 6-25, 8fT, 1:39.23. B-Saleh Al Homaizi & Imad Al Sagar (GB). \*37,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT.

**Shoot To Kill (Ire)**, g, 3, **Dandy Man (Ire)**--Nancy Astor (GB), by Shamardal. Bath & Somerset County, 6-25, 5f 10yT, 0:59.60. B-Camogue Stud Ltd (IRE). \*€40,000 Wlg '17 GOFNOV; £85,000 Ylg '18 GOUKPR.

**Aristocratic Lady (Ire)**, f, 4, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Dubai Queen (SP-Eng), by Kingmambo. Leicester, 6-25, 6fT, 1:11.01. B-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum (IRE).

## FRANCE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**5th-ParisLongchamp**, €22,000, Cond, 6-25, 3yo, 7fT, 1:20.60, g/s.

**HONEY CAKE (IRE) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Pink Anemone {GB} by Dansili {GB})** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, €27,200. O-Khalid Rashid Al Mohannadi; B-William McAlpin (IRE); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. \*€95,000 Ylg '18 AROCT; €110,000 2yo '19 ARQMAY.

**6th-ParisLongchamp**, €15,000, Cond, 6-25, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:39.06, g/s.

**TWO WEEKS (GB) (m, 5, Mayson {GB}--Laurena {Ger}, by Acatenango {Ger})** Lifetime Record: 18-3-2-3, €41,413. O-Mme Arlette Clabots, Ecurie Majestic Racing EURL & Mme Carole Artu; B-Limestone Stud & Tara Stud (GB); T-Stephane Cerulis. \*£10,000 Ylg '16 GOUKPR; 75,000gns 2yo '17 TATGNS; 10,000gns 3yo '18 TATAUT.

## IRELAND

**Thursday's Result:**

**2nd-Fairyhouse**, €13,500, Mdn, 6-25, 3yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:11.66, gd.

**PONTCHATEAU (IRE) (c, 3, War Command--Patuca {GB}, by Teofilo {Ire})**, fifth on debut at Roscommon June 15, stalked the leaders early. Staying on to gain the lead passing the two-furlong pole, the 9-1 shot asserted to score by two lengths from Hosier

(Ire) (Camelot {GB}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Awtaad (Ire) and a yearling colt by Excelebration (Ire), is a half to the G1 Premio Roma and G2 Prix Dollar scorer Potemkin (Ger) (New Approach {Ire}), also a four-times group 3 winner in Germany and twice placed in the G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis. Sales history: 55,000gns RNA Ylg '18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,759.

O-Mrs A G Kavanagh & Michael Downey; B-M Downey & Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Paddy Twomey.

**1st-Fairyhouse**, €13,500, Mdn, 6-25, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:13.74, gd.

**SLANEY EAST (IRE) (f, 3, New Approach {Ire}--Maria Lee {Ire}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Ire})**, who ran fourth behind subsequent G3 Blue Wind S. runner-up Snow (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) over this trip in her June 13 debut at The Curragh last time, broke well to track the pace in second for the most part here. Coming under pressure off the home turn to challenge at the quarter-mile marker, the 7-2 second favourite appeared held in second entering the final furlong and ran on strongly under a drive to deny Astadash (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) by a half-length nearing the line. "She came home well the last day, she's improved a little bit from it and will appreciate stepping up a bit more in trip," said Kevin Manning. "She handles that ground, she stuck at it well and a mile-and-a-quarter in a stronger-run race will be fine, but stepping up in trip will definitely bring more improvement. I thought Astadash might be hard to beat, which she was, and she's a filly that's going the right way." From a family featuring MG1SW sire Teofilo (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), the April-foaled homebred becomes the fourth winner for her dam and she is kin to MSW G3 Kilternan S. and G3 Munster Oaks placegetter Glamorous Approach (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), the hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt Poetic Flare (Ire) (Dawn Approach {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Dawn Approach (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,957.

O-Mrs J S Bolger; B/T-Jim Bolger (IRE).

**IN SOUTH AFRICA:**

**Akwaan**, g, 3, **I Am Invincible**--Born to Rock (SW & G1SP-Aus, US\$190,905), by Fastnet Rock. Vaal, 6-26, Hcp., 1600m, 1:36.09. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (NSW); T-Mike de Kock. \*\$500,000 Ylg '18 INGEAS.

**Saturday, Curragh, Ireland, post time: 7:15 p.m.**

**DUBAI DUTY FREE IRISH DERBY-G1, €750,000, 3yo, c/f, 12FT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	4	Arthur's Kingdom (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Lordan	A O'Brien	128
2	12	Chiricahua (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Keane	Lyons	128
3	13	Crossfirehurricane	Kitten's Joy	Crosse	J O'Brien	128
4	10	Dawn Patrol (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Whelan	A O'Brien	128
5	5	Fiscal Rules (Ire)	Make Believe (GB)	Manning	Bolger	128
6	15	Galileo Chrome (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Greatrex	J O'Brien	128
7	3	Gold Maze (GB)	Golden Horn (GB)	Foley	Harrington	128
8	1	Iberia (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Hussey	A O'Brien	128
9	7	King of the Throne 	Hard Spun	Blackmore	Mullins	128
10	9	Order of Australia (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Beggy	A O'Brien	128
11	11	Santiago (Ire)	Authorized (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien	128
12	6	Sherpa (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	W Lee	D O'Brien	128
13	8	Sunchart (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Coen	Slattery	128
14	2	Tiger Moth (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	McNamara	A O'Brien	128
15	14	New York Girl (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)	McDonogh	J O'Brien	125

**Sunday, Hanshin, Japan, post time: 3:40 p.m.**

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1	Tosen Cambina (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Hamanaka	Sumii	128
2	Persian Knight (Jpn)	Harbinger (GB)	Wada	Ikee	128
3	Glory Vase (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Lane	Ozeki	128
4	African Gold (Jpn)	Stay Gold (Jpn)	Fuji	Nishizono	128
5	Saturnalia (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Lemaire	Sumii	128
6	Tosen Surya (Jpn)	Lohengrin (Jpn)	Yokoyama	Ono	128
7	Wagnerian (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Fukunaga	Tomomichi	128
8	Red Genial (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Sakai	Takahashi	128
9	Admire Alba (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Nishimura	Sugai	128
10	Meisho Tengen (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Matsuyama	Ikezoe	128
11	Lucky Lilac (Jpn) (f)	Orfevre (Jpn)	Demuro	Matsunaga	123
12	Mozu Bello (Jpn)	Deep Brillante (Jpn)	Ikezoe	Morita	128
13	Danburite (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Matsuwaka	Otonashi	128
14	Kiseki (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Take	Sumii	128
15	Stiffelio (Jpn)	Stay Gold (Jpn)	Miyuki	Otonashi	128
16	Chrono Genesis (Jpn) (f)	Bago (Fr)	Kitamura	Saito	123
17	Cadenas (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Sameshima	Nakatake	128
18	Blast Onepiece (Jpn)	Harbinger (GB)	Kawada	Otake	128

**Breeders:** 1-Shadai Farm, 2-Oiwake Farm, 3-Lake Villa Farm, 4-Darley Japan K K, 5-Northern Farm, 6-Takaya Shimakawa, 7-Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc, 8-Shadai Farm, 9-Northern Farm, 10-Mishima Bokujo, 11-Northern Racing, 12-Murata Bokujo, 13-Northern F arm, 14-Shimokobe Farm, 15-Shadai Farm, 16-Northern Racing, 17-Grand Stud, 18-Northern F arm

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## THE ISSUE WITH X-RAYS



Sheamus Mills | TDNAusNZ

By Bren O'Brien

The ambiguity around weanling and yearling x-rays has long been a bugbear of breeders, buyers and sellers alike and the lack of clarity could also present a potential issue around equine welfare, according to a leading agent.

Sheamus Mills raised his frustration with how issues such as bone chips are categorised in a recent social media post, after receiving a report on a weanling x-ray that a hind fetlock chip had been characterised as 'medium risk'.

What irks Mills most about instances like this is not that the chip is discovered, but that a recommendation of surgery is made based on the saleability of the horse itself, not because of any potential issues with soundness.

"A far as I can tell, these are clinical explanations of the x-ray findings of a horse. They determine whether or not there is a chip or a lesion, or OCD, or any other abnormality or issues," Mills told TDN AusNZ.

"That then gets parcelled up into a category of being labelled, low, medium or high risk. That to me is where the problem lies.

"I have had so many horses over the years, where they might categorise a client's horse as medium risk for a hind fetlock chip, and I have never seen a horse's career end due to a hind fetlock issue of that nature.

"The biggest problem I have with them, is when you get advice from vets that if you are keeping the horse to race, don't worry

about it, but if you are going to sell the horse, it's best we clean it up."

For Mills, that means a horse may undergo surgery for what amounts to cosmetic issues which may impact their marketability at the sales, rather than their ability to realise and sustain their potential on the racetrack.

"It's either performance-affecting or it's not. I'm not suggesting that there aren't issues with the x-rays results that shouldn't be noted and I am certainly not suggesting that x-rays should be done away with," Mills said.

"The frustration I have is where these categorisations are made on a cosmetic basis. The report I spoke about on Twitter said specifically that the horse would need surgery if it was to go through the sale.

"The message there, is not that 'for this horse to become an athlete, we need to take a chip out', the comment was specifically, 'if we are going to take it to the sales'. That's not right."

The frustrating aspect for Mills is that in an era where equine welfare is increasingly in focus, he believes there are more and more young horses undergoing operations for reasons which don't necessarily improve their soundness.

"Every time you put a horse under, you are taking a risk. This should not be underestimated. It goes under the knife to make a couple of humans happy, with no suggestion that it is going to give it every chance to be a nice, sound racehorse."

### **Evidence-based Medicine Crucial for Vets**

Dr Bridget Bester is an experienced equine vet based at Hunter Equine Centre at Scone. She works extensively assessing x-rays of horses for agents and vendors and said science must sit at the heart of any assessment.

"Evidence-based medicine is so important, because if you go on your own experience, it is not really good enough to be honest," she said.

Dr Bester estimates around 15 percent of thoroughbreds she sees would fit into the category of having medium or high-risk x-rays, but also said it was important to note that not all issues are equal when it came to assessing horses.

"The studies tell us that things like sesamoids are higher risk and so we have to be fairly strict on sesamoids," she said.

Crucial too, according to Dr Bester, is the relationship between the vet and the client, be they a buyer, seller or agent.

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"It does depend on the financial situation of the person involved, their stake and their opinion. Different people have different risk profiles dependant on their circumstances. It is a case of letting people know that there is a risk there as opposed to saying, you can't buy that horse. They do rely on our opinion, because they don't know what the science is behind it," she said.

She said this was a key reason why there is not a consistent approach across different vets when it comes to things such as x-rays.

### ***Black and White Replaced by Beige***

Segenhoe Stud General Manager, Peter O'Brien, has long been outspoken about how the proliferation and interpretation of x-rays has impacted the ability of commercial breeders to sell what he would assess as perfectly sound horses. He says ambiguity and uncertainty kills you as a seller in the marketplace.

"I think the John O'Shea court case made everybody wary about litigation. That has driven an approach from vets, in particular, where everything has now got very beige rather than black and white. If you are at a horse sale and if you have an ambiguity of opinions, it affects your price," he said.

"What frustrates me is that x-rays have been around for about 20 years and there is a lot of knowledge that has been gleaned as to what x-ray issues are and how they impact on the racetrack as far as affecting performance.

"Most of these issues have no bearing on the racecourse. For us, we have Winter Bride and Pretty In Pink and the only reasons we have them is because they were high risk x-rays. You would hope after 20 years that maybe the veterinary profession would have the balls required to make some more black and white opinions."

Like Mills, O'Brien is concerned that possible opinions of the marketplace, rather than proper rigorous scientific evidence, is leading to an increasing amount of horses undergoing surgery.

"The only winners out of these x-rays are vets. They clip the ticket with the x-ray and then recommend surgeries. It has been a bonanza for the veterinary profession, but it has been a disaster for commercial breeders, because it can take 90 per cent off the value of a horse," he said.

O'Brien utilises the services of Dr Angus Atkins at Segenhoe, someone who he says has the experience and understanding of racehorses to properly assess x-rays and determine the right path to take in their development.

He said a broader industry approach utilising experienced vets like Dr Atkins as well as the clout of Thoroughbred Breeders' Australia and the Australian Veterinary Association to develop specific guidelines is what is needed.

"Race vets, who are on a racetrack seven-days a week, dealing with issues that directly affect a racehorse, they have a much clearer idea of what is concerning and people like that need to be at the vanguard," he said.

### ***Taking out the Medium***

Mills' solution, and he admits it is one which may require a degree of greater thought, is to abolish the medium risk status, and just establish if a horse is high risk or low risk from an x-ray.

"Medium is a complete waste of time. The approach to the report should be totally focussed around making the horse more

sound, or to give it a greater chance of being sound," he said. "What we should be doing, if we are truly considering the horse's welfare, is that every comment on that form should be about making the horse more sound and making it a better athlete, not about increasing the horse's sale price," he said.

Dr Bester said the more detailed categorisation of x-rays is an important tool for vets in dealing with their clients, and the solution to issues such as the one outlined above lay in the trust and communication with the client.

"It's very hard to say 'low risk' if

there is anything there. We always ensure our reports have the detail to split them into categories. We might use phrases like 'low with time' or 'low with care'," she said.

"Sesamoids, you might say low medium, because with sesamoids, statistics say you can not leave them as low. But we might think in six months, it might be back to low."

She said the pressure is there when you are making decisions on someone else's potentially significant investment to ensure you give them the best information possible and it's a complex issue for everybody.

"There's a lot of conflicting issues and things to consider, let alone the complexity of the science itself," she said.



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