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## BRANT, SIYOUNI STRIKE AGAIN IN E.P. TAYLOR



**Etoile (Fr)** | Michael Burns

**Etoile (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}), a beaten favorite in her two prior North American starts after being transferred to Chad Brown, came through with a victory in Sunday's GI E.P. Taylor S. at Woodbine, giving her red-hot sire another top-level success in the same Peter Brant colors Sottsass (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) carried to victory in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe 14 days earlier.

Two-for-two to open her account for Jean-Claude Rouget last winter at Cagnes-sur-Mer, the bay was a neck runner-up in Longchamp's G3 Prix Vanteaux before annexing the G3 Prix Cleopatre at Saint-Cloud. A close fourth in the G1 Prix de Diane Longines at Chantilly, she was off the board in her last two French outings and disappointed when eighth at 17-10 in the GI Gamely S. May 20 after being bought for 750,000 guineas at Tattersalls December. Second in the local GII Dance Smartly S. Aug. 15, she was made one of three 5-2 chances here and tracked from third past soft splits of :26.44 and :51.03. Moving up a spot as the pace quickened a touch through three-quarters in 1:15.50, she drew on even terms past the five-sixteenths and drifted wide off the turn. Blowing by tiring pacesetter Theodora B. outside the furlong grounds, she kicked clear before just holding 41-1 bomber Court Return on the wire.

"It was a good trip," said winning rider Rafael Hernandez, who was riding his meet-leading 12th stakes winner. "I called Chad this morning and he told me, 'Raffi, try to get a good trip like last time. Just make sure you clear down the stretch.'" **Cont. p3**

## FASIG CALIFORNIA FALL YEARLINGS SALE MONDAY

by Jessica Martini

The Fasig-Tipton California Fall Yearlings Sale returns for its second renewal Monday, moving from its 2019 location in Pomona to Los Alamitos Race Course in Cypress for the one-day 2020 edition. The first of 298 catalogued yearlings is scheduled to go through the sales ring at 12 p.m. PT.

With a backdrop of continued uncertainty swirling around the global pandemic and its impact on the economy, consignors are approaching the one-day auction with caution.

"There is a whole lot in the air, that's all I can say," said Tom Bachman, whose Fairview consignment will offer six yearlings Monday. "I think it's going to be much like most sales where the top 15% will probably sell fairly well, but below that, it's going to be a tough market." **Cont. p6**

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**Monday, October 19, 2020**



Wesley Ward-trained GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint hopefuls Campanelle (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) (ahead) and Amanzi Yimpilo (Ire) (No Nay Never) breezed over the Keeneland turf Sunday morning. | Coady Photo

**SAY THE WORD WINS NORTHERN DANCER**

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Sam-Son Farm's Say the Word (More Than Ready), dangled for a \$62,500 tag just two starts back, picked up his first stakes win in Sunday's GI Northern Dancer at Woodbine.

**TDN Q&A WITH TOC'S GREG AVIOLI**

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Dan Ross talks to Thoroughbred Owners of California president and former Breeders' Cup president Greg Avioli about everything going on in racing in the Golden State.



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**Etoile (white cap) turns in | Michael Burns**

“He told me he'd been working the horse a few times and he put her outside of other horses, and she'd been finishing great,” Hernandez continued. “I heard that other horse coming late but I wish she was coming closer. It was too far out so my horse couldn't see. That's why I switched the whip to the left, to try to get her out and get her attention. But we did it.”

**Pedigree Notes:**

Etoile becomes the 43rd stakes winner, 24th graded stakes winner and sixth Grade I/Group 1 scorer for Aga Khan Studs' Siyouni. She is his first North American Grade I winner. Her third dam Navratilovna was a GSW in France. Her dam has a juvenile filly by Lethal Force (Ire) named Arletta (Fr) and a yearling Dabirsim (Fr) filly.

**UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES**

Date	Race	Track
Oct. 24	GIII Senator Ken Maddy S.	Santa Anita
Oct. 25	GII Goldikova S. GIII Athenia S.	Santa Anita Belmont
Oct. 31	GIII Bold Ruler S.	Belmont
Nov. 6	GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint GII Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance S.	Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland

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**Sunday, Woodbine**

**E. P. TAYLOR S.-GI**, C\$630,000, Woodbine, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:03.12, gd.

1--**ETOILE (FR)**, 124, f, 4, by **Siyouni (Fr)**

**1st Dam: Milena's Dream (Ire), by Authorized (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Rozella (Ire), by Anabaa**

**3rd Dam: Sweet Blue Eyes, by Seeking the Gold**

**1ST GRADE I WIN.** (€160,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG; 750,000gns 3yo '19 TATMA). O-Peter Brant, Mrs M V Magnier & Mrs Paul Shanahan; B-Dominique Ades Hazan, Geraldine Henochsberg & Patrick Fellous (FR); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Rafael Manuel Hernandez. C\$360,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 10-4-2-0, \$454,351. **Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.** Werk **Nick Rating: A++.**

2--**Court Return**, 124, f, 4, by **Court Vision**

**1st Dam: In Return, by Horse Chestnut (SAf)**

**2nd Dam: Bartered Bride, by Shadeed**

**3rd Dam: Lady Vixen, by Sir Ivor**

O-Ivan Dalos; B-Tall Oaks Farm (ON); T-Josie Carroll. C\$144,000.

**Hip 1552: Half-sis sells @ KEENOV with Hunter Valley**

**REGISTERED ONTARIO-BRED**

3--**Secret Message**, 124, m, 5, by **Hat Trick (Jpn)**

**1st Dam: Westside Singer, by Gone West**

**2nd Dam: Zawzooth, by Unbridled's Song**

**3rd Dam: Lady Blockbuster, by Silent Screen**

O-Madaket Stables LLC, Heider Family Stables LLC, ERJ Racing, LLC, Elayne Stables & Steven Bouchey; B-Allen Tennenbaum (KY); T-H. Graham Motion. C\$66,000.

**Hip 112: Sells with ELITE SALES at KEENOV**

**Hip 2356: half-sis sells with EATONsales at KeeNov**

**Dam purchased & mating recommended by ELIZABETH BLYTHE | 859.533.8234**

Margins: NK, 2, HF. Odds: 2.50, 41.80, 6.70.

Also Ran: Rideforthe cause, Theodora B., Pretty Point, Elizabeth Way (Ire). **Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**Etoile (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) keeps it rolling for her sire and Peter Brant in the GI E.P. Taylor S. at Woodbine**

# The November Sale

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**Sunday, Woodbine**

**NORTHERN DANCER TURF S. PRESENTED BY PATTISON-GI,**  
C\$340,200, Woodbine, 10-18, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:29.87, gd.

1--**SAY THE WORD, 121, g, 5, by More Than Ready**

**1st Dam: Danceforthecause, by Giant's Causeway**

**2nd Dam: Dancethruthestorm, by Thunder Gulch**

**3rd Dam: Dance Smartly, by Danzig**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN, 1ST GRADE I**

**WIN.** O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Gail Cox; J-Emma-Jayne Wilson. C\$216,000. Lifetime Record: 25-5-2-4, \$445,292. \*1/2 to Rideforthecause (Candy Ride {Arg}), GSW, \$291,226. **Werk**

**Nick Rating: B+. Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

 **REGISTERED ONTARIO-BRED** 

2--**Sir Sahib, 121, g, 5, Fort Larned--Xs Belle, by Dynaformer.**

O-Stronach Stables; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Kevin Attard.

C\$60,000.

**Hip 1667:** Dam sells with **EATONsales** at KeeNov

3--**Admiralty Pier, 123, g, 5, English Channel--Full Steam Ahead,**  
by Kitten's Joy. (\$100,000 Ylg '16 FTSAUG). O-Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC & Bruce Lunsford; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Barbara J. Minshall. C\$30,000.

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Margins: 1, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 5.80, 5.70, 2.15.

Also Ran: Count Again, Woodbridge, Nakamura, Jungle Fighter, Peace of Ekati. **Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com**

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**VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Say the Word uncorked a last-to-first rally in Sunday's GI Northern Dancer S. at Woodbine to post a mild upset. The dark bay dropped out the back under Emma-Jayne Wilson as favorite Admiralty Pier did as he pleased up front. He was ridden for more to inch slightly closer heading for home as stablemate and fellow Sam-Son representative Count Again (Awesome Again) took the first run at the pacesetter. **Cont. p6**



Say the Word | Michael Burns



**NOVEMBER**

MON. 9 - WED. 18

RECENT GRADED STAKES  
UPDATES TO THE CATALOG

**HIP 112  
SECRET MESSAGE**

Third in the **E.P. Taylor S. (G1)**  
at Woodbine Oct. 18

CONSIGNED BY ELITE, AGENT

**HIP 1310  
BLAME DEBBIE**

Winner of the **Rood & Riddle Dowager (G3)**  
at Keeneland Oct. 18

CONSIGNED BY BLUEWATER SALES, AGENT

**HIP 1552  
PROUD VIXEN**

*In foal to Nyquist*

Half-sister to Court Return, second in the  
**E.P. Taylor S. (G1)** at Woodbine Oct. 18

CONSIGNED BY HUNTER VALLEY FARM, AGENT

**HIP 1667  
XS BELLE**

*In foal to Mitole*

Dam of Sir Sahib, second in the **Northern Dancer  
Turf S. (G1)** Oct. 18 at Woodbine

CONSIGNED BY EATON SALES, AGENT

**HIP 2048  
THATS OUR PRINCESS**

*In foal to Nyquist*

Half-sister to City Boy, second in the  
**Nearctic S. (G2)** at Woodbine Oct. 18

CONSIGNED BY WOODS EDGE FARM, AGENT

**HIP 2356  
PLAY A SONG FOR ME**

*In foal to Catholic Boy*

Half-sister to Secret Message, third in the  
**E.P. Taylor S. (G1)** at Woodbine Oct. 18

CONSIGNED BY EATON SALES, AGENT

**322D  
OLYMPICO (FR)**

Second in the **Knickerbocker S. (G2)**  
at Belmont Oct. 18

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**HIP 244D**

**VERONIQUE**

Dam of Nashville

Supplemented to Keeneland November

Selling with Paramount Sales Monday, Nov. 9

**HIP 885**

**'20 MASTERY -  
VERONIQUE**

Weanling half-sister to Nashville

Selling with Warrendale Sales Wednesday, Nov. 11

KEENELAND 

Admiralty Pier and Count Again continued to trade jabs to midstretch, but neither had any response for Say the Word as he blew to the front over the top with Sir Sahib (Fort Larned) mirroring that move to complete the exacta.

"It was perfect actually," Wilson said of her trip. "The first time I rode him, [trainer Gail Cox] let me know that Junior Alvarado from Saratoga had said that he was funny with his mouth, he could be a little sensitive and to trip him [out] in a certain sort of way. Last time, we got the one-hole going a mile and a quarter, and I just got shuffled back. It took me a bit to just kind of get on the same page with him last time, being as sensitive as he was. I mean, he ran well, he ran third, but he was coming on end.



Michael Burns

"So today, I was more confident with him, more ground and I knew where the line was with him for my hands and give and take. He settled for me beautifully; I literally just held the mane for pretty much the first mile and a quarter. Then as I gathered him up, I knew...I just knew. He was gaining on them last time and I just knew when he straightened, he was already in flight and it was going to be tough to beat him."

Say the Word upended a 1 3/16-mile Saratoga optional claimer Aug. 14 at 51-1 while being offered up for the \$62,500 tag. He was most recently third behind Count Again and Sir Sahib in the 10-panel GIII Singspiel S. here Sept. 19. His lone 1 1/2-mile outing came when second in the 2018 Breeders' S. here while under the tutelage of Graham Motion. Say the Word made two starts for Gail Cox last fall, including a fourth in the GIII Durham Cup on this main track. He was then off the board in a trio of

tries for Neil Howard at Fair Grounds, and returned to the Cox barn to be sixth in a local optional claimer June 20.

"I think this horse kind of likes to know the people that he's with, so he's not one that's easy to shift around all the time," Cox said. "He also loves this turf course and he loved the distance. Last year, he was sent to me and we ran him on the Tapeta, and it was not to his liking."

The Samuel family's Sam-Son Farm upped its record win tally in the Northern Dancer to eight Sunday.

**Pedigree Notes:**

Say the Word is the 25th highest-level winner (92nd graded/group winner) for international sensation More Than Ready) and is out of a Giant's Causeway mare like MGISW Verrazano. He is one of 26 Grade I/Group 1 winners out of Giant's Causeway dams. Say the Word's third dam is none other than legendary Hall of Famer Dance Smartly. This is the extremely productive female family of Smart Strike, Dancethrudawn, et al. Danceforthe cause, whose 4-year-old son Rideforthe cause was fourth in the GI E.P. Taylor S. two races later on the card, produced a Distorted Humor filly in 2019 and a Street Sense filly this term. She was bred back to Twirling Candy.

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**Fasig California Fall Yearling Sale Starts Monday cont. from p1**

Bachman continued, "The real market right now in California is to find a Cal-bred who is perceived to be competitive in open racing, as well as Cal-bred company. If you have something like that, it will sell well. Now sell well may be 70% of what you thought it was going to pay a year ago. But that, in today's world, is still a horse well-sold."

Fairview consigned four of the six six-figure yearlings at last year's California sale. Of the four, three were California-breds by Kentucky sires, including the \$150,000 topper by Goldencents. This year, the Fairview consignment includes yearlings by Sky Mesa, Nyquist, Mastery, and Dialed In.

"I'm very happy with the six that I'm bringing down there," Bachman said. "I have done quite well selling in California, but if there is a fly in the ointment on one of these things, you don't know how that's going to be perceived. I think most of the people who buy out here tend to be end-users, as opposed to pinhookers, so that lightens things up a little bit in the repository." **Cont. p7**



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Pinhookers were active at the auction in 2019, but Bachman fears, with the high number of buy-backs at the Kentucky sales in September, many were able to purchase yearlings post-sale last month and won't be shopping as hard in California this year.



Los Alamitos sales grounds | Fasig-Tipton photo

"There may be some pinhookers as well," he said. "I have a Nyquist and a Mastery which are the kind of things that are nationally recognized as being in demand. So I think pinhookers will look at what I have. I think if you have a Kentucky-sired

Cal-bred where those people perceive there is added value, I think you are ok, if you have a good individual. But it's going to be tough sledding. If you have a California-sired individual, the pinhookers--last year they didn't even have a 2-year-old sale out here--and with as many not-solds as there were in September, I can't imagine the pinhookers don't have all their slots filled."

Sue Green's Woodbridge Farm will offer 18 yearlings during Monday's auction.

"I'd be lying if I didn't say I'm worried," Green said. "We watched Fasig and Keeneland and we watched Timonium. OBS was kind of up and down. I think the good horses will sell well. Our consignment has a lot of what I call the blue-collar guys, so we have nice horses who radiograph and scope, but they fall a little short of the big dogs. And I'm worried."

Owners have only slowly been allowed back at racetracks to watch their horses and the current atmosphere may make them reticent to add to their stables, according to Green.

"My owners who actually race, they aren't happy," she said. "It's not fun right now. They can't go see their horses, they can barely go watch them run. The guys who are supporting the industry, the owners, aren't having a lot of fun right now. I don't know how many people are actually going to come to buy. I hope a lot."

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# Fasig-Tipton California Fall Yearlings

## Monday, Oct. 19

# PINHOOK GUIDE

<u>Hip</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Pedigree</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Prev Sale</u>	<u>Buyer/Agent</u>	<u>Current Consignor</u>
32	C	Curlin to Mischief-Kestner	\$1,000	CTBA JAN MIX 20	Tari Brocklebank	Havens Bloodstock
91	F	Stanford-Nine to Five Lady	\$9,500	CTBA JAN MIX 20	Tari Brocklebank	Havens Bloodstock
127	F	American Freedom-Reserved Indian	\$9,000	CTBA JAN MIX 20	Randy Morris	Woodbridge Farm
159	C	Curlin to Mischief-Soul in One	\$2,200	CTBA JAN MIX 20	Tari Brocklebank	Havens Bloodstock
202	F	Shackleford-Whimsy	\$1,300	CTBA JAN MIX 20	KAM Stables	Havens Bloodstock

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A potential bright spot at the sale could be the strength of the Cal-bred program.

“The Cal-bred program, with the Golden State stakes series and the maiden bonuses--the fact that the Cal-bred races are pretty much what is holding racing up on its feet right now--that plays in our favor,” Green said. “We are bringing the product and hoping that plays into the mindset of these trainers. To fill their quotas.”

She continued, “We have heard that a lot of trainers didn’t go to Kentucky because they want the Cal-breds and I cling to that hope because we have almost all Cal-breds in our consignment. They are nice, solid horses, but I am worried the cream will rise to the top and those horses will sell well, but there are only so many owners with so much money to go around. It’s a pretty good-sized catalogue, it’s a nice catalogue, but I worry that our middle and lower-end horses will not find homes.”

Due to crowd size limitations in the Los Angeles area, Fasig-Tipton was forced to relocate the auction from Pomona to Los Alamitos this year.

“We are in a parking lot, we are going to make a long trek down to the track and into the saddling paddock and sell horses with clients looking down from above. It’s not optimal at all,” Green said of the new locale. “It is what we had to do to make this happen. Unfortunately, it’s COVID. We are just ready for it to go away.”

Bachman said, “It’s a lot easier to get to Pomona than it is to get to Los Al from Santa Anita, I know that. It’s good that they stepped up and helped Fasig-Tipton so we could have the sale. Otherwise we couldn’t have had one, which would really have been a problem. But at least we have a venue and Fasig is doing the best they can, I’m sure, trying to get business drummed up for the sale.”

Both consignors agreed the yearling sale is a pivotal next step in the California breeding industry’s calendar.

“The yearling sale is going to be a step off into a January mixed sale,” Green said. “This is a step off for people who are looking at their broodmares. If they can’t get fair market value for these yearlings, there is no incentive to breed these mares in 2021. So I think the sale is huge.”

At last year’s California sale, 137 horses sold for \$3,667,800. The average was \$26,772 and the median was \$13,000. With 118 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 46.3%.

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## Sunday, Santa Anita

**TWILIGHT DERBY-GII**, \$202,000, Santa Anita, 10-18, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:46.89, fm.

1--**SMOOTH LIKE STRAIT, 124, c, 3, by Midnight Lute**

**1st Dam: Smooth as Usual, by Flower Alley**

**2nd Dam: Beautiful Lil, by Aptitude**

**3rd Dam: Sky Meadows, by Conquistador Cielo**

O/B-Cannon Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy; J-Umberto Rispoli. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 10-5-1-1, \$397,823. **Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

**Foaled and Raised by COLUMBIANA FARM**

2--**Scarto**, 124, g, 3, **Paynter**--Eagle Putt, by Pioneering. (\$7,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Little Red Feather Racing & Marsha Naify; B-Halleywood Farm LLC (KY); T-Mike Puype. \$40,000.

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3--**Field Pass**, 124, c, 3, **Lemon Drop Kid**--Only Me, by Runaway Groom. (\$37,000 Ylg '18 EASOCT). O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-Mark Brown Grier (MD); T-Michael J. Maker. \$24,000.

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Margins: 1HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.30, 7.20, 3.40.

Also Ran: Kiss Today Goodbye, Farmington Road, K P All Systems Go, Margot's Boy, Express Train, Dominant Soul. **Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCS.com PPs or the free Equine.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Smooth Like Strait bounced back from a short-priced defeat with a sharp score in the GII Twilight Derby Sunday at Santa Anita, the talented sophomore’s fourth stakes score and third graded stakes success.

Graduating third out going 5 1/2 furlongs on the Santa Anita lawn last October, the Cannon Thoroughbreds homebred repeated with a wire-to-wire 15-1 upset of the GIII Cecil B. DeMille S. before running fourth to close his juvenile campaign in the Eddie Logan S. Second after being pushed through a sizzling pace in the Pasadena S., he was a convincing winner of both the War Chant S. at Churchill and GIII La Jolla H. at Del Mar before running fourth at 6-5 in the GII American Turf S. back in Louisville.

Away as a clear favorite in this nine-horse group, the bay was reined in to let a longshot go and track from second through fractions of :23.60 and :47.84. Reeling in the leader as second choice Field Pass ranged up to his outside past three-quarters in 1:11.74, Smooth Like Strait shook clear powerfully outside the furlong grounds and stayed in charge from there for the victory. Scarto ran on late to complete the exacta.

“I was a little disappointed in the way he ran at Churchill Downs. I didn’t think there was a horse around that could beat him that day,” said winning trainer Mike McCarthy.

“This horse has come back, and he has not disappointed since we’ve been back [at Santa Anita]. I was a little skeptical about a mile and one eighth, but he won going a mile and a sixteenth in the La Jolla Handicap very well. All the stars aligned today. He brought his A-game. Umberto [Rispoli] rode him like the leading rider he is. I’m very happy for the Cannons and everybody involved, even my grooms Mike Munoz and Cleo Thomas, they do an excellent job with this horse.”



Smooth Like Strait | Benoit Photo

**Pedigree Notes:**

One of 33 stakes winners and 13 graded stakes winners for Hill ‘n’ Dale’s Midnight Lute, Smooth Like Strait is the first black-type performer out of Smooth as Usual, a \$35,000 Keeneland November buy by Mike Cannon in 2013. Second dam Beautiful Lil is a half-sister to MGSW/GISP Dixie Dot Com (Dixie Brass) and the dam of GISW Siphonic (Siphon {Brz}). Also under the third dam are MGSW sophomore sire Summer Front (War Front) and GISW turer Laragh (Tapit). Smooth as Usual has a yearling Temple City filly and foaled a full-brother to the winner Feb. 24 before visiting Nyquist.

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**Sunday, Belmont Park**

**HILL PRINCE S.-GII**, \$150,000, Belmont, 10-18, 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.95, yl.

1--**GET SMOKIN**, 118, g, 3, by **Get Stormy**



**1st Dam: Hookah Lady, by Smoke Glacken**

**2nd Dam: Doc's Leading Lady, by Doc's Leader**

**3rd Dam: Smart Queen, by King Pellinore**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** (\$11,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT). O-Mary Abeel Sullivan Revocable Trust; B-Hurstland Farm, Inc. & James Greene Jr. (KY); T-Thomas M. Bush; J-Javier Castellano. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, \$211,540. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Decorated Invader**, 124, c, 3, Declaration of War--Gamely Girl, by Arch. (\$200,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-West Point Thoroughbreds, William T. Freeman, William Sandbrook & Cheryl Manning; B-Redmon Farm, LLC (KY); T-Christophe Clement. \$30,000.

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3--**Bodecream**, 118, g, 3, Bodemeister--Call Mariah, by Dixie Union. (\$50,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$50,000 3yo '20 FTKHRA). O-Repole Stable; B-Judy Hicks, Kathryn Nikkel & Sanford Robertson (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. \$18,000.

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Margins: HD, 2, 1 3/4. Odds: 7.70, 0.45, 8.50. Also Ran: Buy Land and See, Starting Over, Glynn County, Assiduously (GB). Scratched: Chocolate Bar, Money Moves. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#), the [TJCIS.com PPs](#) or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). **VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Get Smokin, who had made a habit of getting run down late in stakes this year, held on to earn his day in the sun in Sunday's GII Hill Prince S. at Belmont.

A close pacesetting runner-up in the GIII Kitten's Joy S. in his 3-year-old debut, he suffered similar beats when second by a neck in the Dania Beach S. and third in the Cutler Bay S. behind today's 2-5 chalk Decorated Invader. Second to that rival two starts later in the GII Hall of Fame S. at Saratoga, he was last seen fading to eighth after missing the break in the Saratoga Derby Invitational S. Aug. 15.

Let go as the distant third choice here, the chestnut broke sharply from his inside draw and showed the way over yielding ground through splits of :24.25 and :49.52.

Turning for home under confident handling, he skipped clear into the final furlong. Decorated Invader belatedly gained ground at the sixteenth pole and surged late, but Get Smokin held on bravely to pull a narrow upset.



Get Smokin holds off Decorated Invader | *Coglianesse*

“He’s been in some tough spots in running against the best horses on the East Coast, so we pointed for this race since Saratoga and we’re really delighted,” said winning trainer Tom Bush. “We weren’t sure about the soft ground, but he handled it. I’ve thrown this horse to the wolves. He’s one of these rare horses that you’ll see who run very out of their condition and they don’t get discouraged and keep being a top runner and that’s the type of horse he is. You’re not breaking his spirit.”

“The way I handicapped the race, I felt the horse would fit the mile perfectly,” said winning rider Javier Castellano. “The last race was a little longer [1 3/16 miles]. Today, he was so patient. I was walking the dog, basically. I was lucky to be in the right place at the right time.”

“[Castellano] rode his sire and I told him in the paddock to ride him just like Get Stormy, and he said, ‘that’s what I’m going to do,’” Bush added. “We’re tickled to death. I bought the full-sister for another client so he’s excited to have a full-sister to a Grade II winner. It was much more than [the \$11,000 Get Smokin cost], but it was a very good buy.”

#### Pedigree Notes:

Get Smokin is the ninth stakes winner and sixth graded stakes winner for Crestwood Farm’s over-achieving Get Stormy. The winner’s second dam is a full-sister to the dam of champion Dayatthespa (City Zip). Hookah Lady has a juvenile Alternation colt named Bottom Deck and the yearling full-sister Bush referred to was bought for Taproot Bloodstock for \$60,000 at Keeneland September. She was bred to Vino Rosso this spring.

#### Sunday, Woodbine

**NEARCTIC S.-GII**, C\$290,000, Woodbine, 10-18, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.57, gd.

1--**SILENT POET**, 124, g, 5, by **Silent Name (Jpn)**

1st Dam: **Cara Bella**, by **Ghostzapper**

2nd Dam: **Cargo**, by **Caro (Ire)**

3rd Dam: **Aerturas (Fr)**, by **Manado (Ire)**

O-Stronach Stables; B-Adena Springs (ON); T-Nicholas Gonzalez; J-Justin Stein. C\$180,000. Lifetime Record: 18-10-4-2, \$662,473. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**City Boy**, 123, g, 6, **City Zip**--Princess Ruckus, by **Bold Ruckus**.

O-The Estate of Gustav Schickedanz & Donald Howard; B-Gustav Schickedanz (ON); T-Michael Keogh. C\$60,000.



3--**Kanthaka**, 121, g, 5, Jimmy Creed--Sliced Bread, by

Noonmark. (\$38,000 RNA Ylg '16 FTKJUL; \$140,000 2yo '17 BARMAR). O-West Point Thoroughbreds; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-H. Graham Motion. C\$25,000.



Margins: HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.70, 15.20, 3.15.

Also Ran: Olympic Runner, Guildsman (Fr), Blind Ambition, Lady Grace, Vanbrugh. Scratched: Reconfigure. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#), the [TJCS.com PPs](#) or the [free Equine.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). VIDEO, sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**

Ontario-bred Silent Poet picked up his third graded stakes win, all coming in Woodbine turf sprints, in Sunday’s GII Nearctic S. at the Toronto area oval.

Scoring in the GII Play the King S. here last summer, the gelding faded to ninth when stretched out in the GI Woodbine Mile S., but hasn’t been worse than third in five tries since, adding a GII Connaught Cup S. victory and an allowance success last out here Sept. 27. Sent off favored in this return to stakes company, the dark bay broke on top and led narrowly through an easy :23.65 quarter. Briefly getting clear at the eighth pole, he was badgered by resurgent pace foe City Boy down to the wire but held sway, with Kanthaka the only one to make up ground in third.

“He just leaves the gate so quick,” said winning rider Justin Stein. “He hits his stride right away. With a horse like that you get position and just slow him down, save as much horse as you can, and he does the rest. He loves his job. When you ask him to run, he gives you everything. He tows you down the lane.”

The win had special meaning for the connections, as trainer Nick Gonzalez’s wife Martha recently passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. In the last strides, announcer Robert Geller exclaimed, “This one’s for you, Martha.” **Cont. p11**

"It has a lot of meaning," said Stein. "People watching on the outside might not understand, but the family here, the community at Woodbine, I'm sure they were cheering big for this horse for reasons that we all know."

**Pedigree Notes:**

One of 31 stakes winners and eight graded stakes winners for Adena Springs' Silent Name, Silent Poet is the first foal out of an unraced half-sister to 2000 GI Preakness S. hero Red Bullet (Unbridled). He has a yearling full-brother named Mongol Sunday and a yearling Broken Vow half-brother. Cara Bella, a \$60,000 Keeneland November purchase by Stone Farm in 2017, visited Liam's Map this spring.



Silent Poet | Michael Burns

**Sunday, Belmont Park**

**KNICKERBOCKER S.-GII**, \$145,500, Belmont, 10-18, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:51.78, yl.

1--**DEVAMANI (FR)**, 121, g, 6, by **Dubawi (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Daryakana (Fr)**, by **Selkirk**

2nd Dam: **Daryaba (Ire)**, by **Night Shift**

3rd Dam: **Darata (Ire)**, by **Vayrann (Ire)**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** (€62,500 3yo '17 ARARC). O-Sanford Goldfarb & Samuel Abraham B-H. H. The Aga Khan Studs SC (FR); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Joel Rosario. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: 25-5-8-5, \$401,239. \*1/2 to Dariyan (FR) (Shamardal), Hwt. Older Horse at 4-Fr - at 9 1/2 - 11 f., G1SW-Fr, G1SP-HK, GSP-UAE, \$872,592; and Darabad (FR) (Dansili (GB)), SW-Fr, \$145,558. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** Click for **eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Olympico (Fr)**, 123, g, 5, Rajsaman (Fr)--Carmel (Fr), by Highest Honor (Fr). (€20,000 Ylg '16 AROYRG). O-Michael Dubb, Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables & Bethlehem

Stables LLC; B-Snig Elevage (FR); T-Chad C. Brown. \$30,000.

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3--**En Wye Cee**, 121, c, 4, Declaration of War--Celtic Arch, by Arch. '**TDN Rising Star**' O/B-Waterford Stables, Inc. (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$18,000.

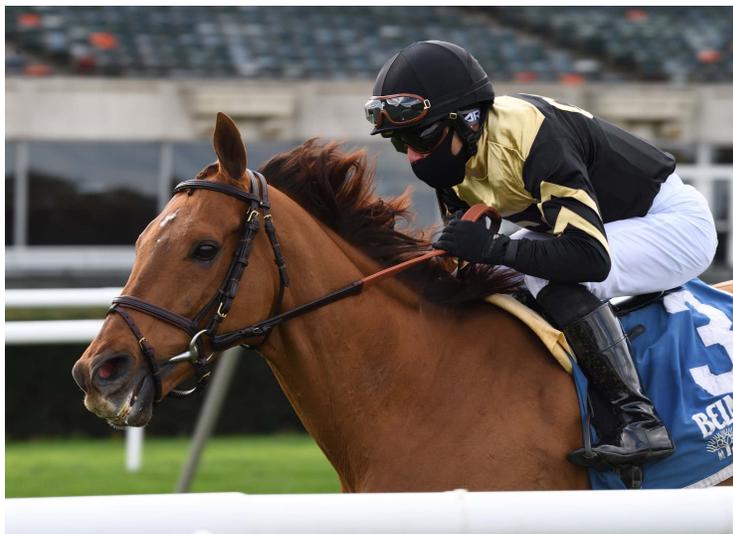
Margins: 2, NK, 1HF. Odds: 3.40, 2.30, 2.65.

Also Ran: Breaking the Rules, Seismic Wave.

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Putting blinkers on and then immediately taking them off appeared to do the trick for Devamani as the hard-knocking 6-year-old woke up and showed plenty of killer instinct Sunday to earn a first graded victory. Claimed by trainer Rob Atras on behalf of his current owners for \$62,500 off of West Point Thoroughbreds and Christophe Clement last August, the chestnut scored three starts later by a nose in an Aqueduct optional claimer in November. He was fourth in his only dirt try a month later before being transferred to the Chad Brown barn. Devamani was second by a nose in the GIII Tampa Bay S. Feb. 8, and by a neck to stablemate Instilled Regard (Arch) in the course-and-distance GII Fort Marcy S. Jun 6. He could only manage seventh behind Instilled Regard in the GI Manhattan S. July 4, and was third as the favorite behind Breaking the Rules (War Front) in a Saratoga optional claimer July 29. He had last been seen finishing third--first time and only time, at least Stateside, in blinkers--in the Spa's restricted Lure S. Sept. 7.

Away well, Devamani settled in under stout restraint in third as lightly raced En Wye Cee dictated terms. Working his way off the fence for clear sailing in the stretch, he leveled off powerfully in midstretch and had too much for his competition from there. **Cont. p12**



Devamani | Chelsea Durand

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"He was just there for me and was able to go along early and he kept going," said winning rider Joel Rosario. "To be up a little closer with the slow pace, he was on his game. He always runs hard. He had been unlucky a couple of times and he got the job done today."

This was, surprisingly, Chad Brown's first Knickerbocker win.

"We put the blinkers on him because he was falling so far out of position in his races and it didn't really work out. He wasn't happy with them," Brown noted. "When we took them off, what it left us with was a little sharper horse. Putting them on and taking them off, even though we took a defeat last time, might have been the final piece of the puzzle for this horse just to put him in the race a little bit."

He continued, "This horse has a pedigree to get better when he gets older. I'm not shy to run 6, 7 or 8-year-olds on the turf. Sometimes, they find their feet there. I'll talk to the ownership group and see, but this horse is running super. We may run him one more time [this year] or we may not. But I'm looking to run him as a 7-year-old."

**Pedigree Notes:**

Devamani becomes the 127th graded winner for his top sire and 41st out of a Selkirk mare. He is bred identically to globe-trotting MG1SW Benbatl (GB). Hailing from a productive Aga Khan family, Devamani's second dam is French MG1SW Daryaba (Ire) (Night Shift). His dam has a yearling filly by Frankel (GB).

**Sunday, Keeneland**

**ROOD AND RIDDLE DOWAGER S.-GIII**, \$125,000, Keeneland, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT, 2:34.74, fm.

1--**BLAME DEBBIE, 118, f, 3, by Blame**

1st Dam: Jadwa, by Invasor (Arg)

2nd Dam: Sultana, by Storm Cat

3rd Dam: Sierra Madre (Fr), by Baillamont

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** (\$65,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Michael Cloonan, Timothy Thornton; B-Tim Thornton & Tony Holmes (KY); T-H. Graham Motion; J-Manuel Franco. \$75,000. Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-3, \$215,920. **Werk Nick Rating: D+.** **Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

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2--**Always Shopping**, 121, f, 4, Awesome Again--

Stopshoppingmaria, by More Than Ready. O/B-Repole Stable Inc (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$25,000.

3--**With Dignity**, 121, f, 4, Declaration of War--Ivory Empress, by Seeking the Gold. **'TDN Rising Star'** O/B-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes. \$12,500.

 **LAMBHOLM SOUTH Training Graduate** 

Margins: HD, 2 1/4, HF. Odds: 1.50, 3.10, 5.70.

Also Ran: Over Thinking, Siberian Iris (Ire), Naomi Broadway (Brz). **Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Blame Debbie, bought into by Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners after a second-out graduation for Tom Proctor, was third in the GII Demoiselle S. debuting for this barn on dirt. Off the board in three of her next four starts, she was disqualified to third in a Kentucky Downs allowance after hitting the wire in front by open lengths and made amends in a local allowance Oct. 2.

Showing the way under a snug hold from Manny Franco through glacial fractions of :26.66, :53.68 and 1:20.68, the bay was taken on by second choice Always Shopping at the top of the lane and those two threw down from there, with Blame Debbie digging in resolutely at the fence to just fend off her rival.

"She was so nice and so game in the lead," said Franco. I think she felt that other horse coming by the five-sixteenths pole to the wire. She never let that one pass her. I was really pleased."

**Pedigree Notes:**

Blame Debbie is the 31st stakes winner and 17th graded stakes winner for Claiborne's Blame. The winner's dam is a half-sister to GSWs Derbaas (Seeking the Gold) and Chiefdom (The Factor). Third dam Sierra Madre was a MG1SW in France and produced champion Aljabr (Storm Cat). Jadwa was bred to Nyquist this spring.



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## BAST THE HIGHEST OF HIGHS FOR BAOMA CORP



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by Katie Ritz

Only a few years after first becoming involved in Thoroughbred ownership, Susan and Charles Chu watched their first Grade I winner also become a Breeders' Cup Champion when **'TDN Rising Star'** Drefong (Gio Ponti) crossed the wire first in the 2016 Breeders' Cup Sprint under their Baoma Corporation banner.

While they'd had several graded stakes contenders come along prior to Drefong's campaign, after the millionaire took his third Grade I in the Forego S. for Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert in 2017, Baoma Corporation went through a bit of a dry spell as they searched for their next big winner.

"[Susan] was getting to the point where we would lose a big race, and she'd get really down," Baffert said. "I would say, 'You know, you have to get through this. This is what it is.' She had been kind of spoiled when she started winning right away."

Then the next summer in Saratoga, Baffert got word from agent Donato Lanni on a yearling at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Select Yearling Sale that could be worth a look.

"When we got up there, Donato Lanni said, 'There's a filly here that you are going to love,'" Baffert recalled. "So we went back there and sure enough, she was a no-brainer. Susan was there and we told her we found a really good filly and she said, 'Please don't look at it too much. We don't want people to know you like it.'"

The Uncle Mo filly was the first foal out of the Arch mare Laffina, who hailed from the family of Grade I performers Fault (Blame) and Mananan McLir (Royal Academy). The youngster was purchased by Baoma Corp for \$500,000 and was later named Bast.

"I actually thought she was going to bring a lot more," Baffert said. "She looked like one of the best fillies there. I happened to see a picture of her going through the ring and you could tell she

was like the perfect image of what you want a racehorse to look like. She was just a standout from day one."

After running second in her first start, Bast ran back in the GI Del Mar Debutante S. a few weeks later, soundly defeating the filly who had beaten her on debut and winning by almost nine lengths. She then made the quick trip north to Santa Anita in September to claim a second Grade I in the Chandelier S.

Considered one of the top choices going into the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Santa Anita last year, the bay went to the head of the field early, and after getting caught in a speed dual with longshot Two Sixty (Uncaptured), she ended up placing third.

The juvenile filly bounced back soon enough by sneaking in another win at two in the GI Starlet S., defeating Juvenile Fillies runner-up and **'TDN Rising Star'** Donna Veloce (Uncle Mo) and becoming the only horse of her foal crop to win three Grade I races as a juvenile.

A few days after the calendar turned to 2020, Bast made her sophomore debut a winning one in the GII Santa Ynez S.

It was announced the next month that a minor injury would force the filly to retire.

"She came up with a small issue on her hind end and she was going to need 90 days off," Baffert said.

The team of Baffert, Susan Chu, and John Sikura of Hill 'n' Dale put their heads together to decide the best route for the new broodmare prospect.

"Susan loves to race," Sikura said. "Before she sells the mares, she covers them to the best stallion possible. We try to create the most value in the fact that she's in foal. She's not just a prospect, she's ready to be a producer." **Cont. p14**



**Bast breaks her maiden in style with a blowout win in the GI Del Mar Debutante | Benoit**

It was decided to send the daughter of Uncle Mo to fellow Baffert trainee and Triple Crown hero Justify (Scat Daddy).

“We all talked about it and I just really thought with Justify...I mean she’s picture perfect and he’s picture perfect,” Baffert said “It’s going to be a home run.”

Sikura added, “I think you have the best of both worlds. You have the precocity and brilliant 2-year-old speed of Bast, and then in Justify you have a Classic-distance horse with precocity, speed and brilliance.”

The Chus will part ways with their three-time Grade I winner this November as Bast is offered as **Hip 245** through the Hill ‘n’ Dale consignment at the Fasig-Tipton November Sale.

Baffert said he is anticipating that Bast will be a hit at the ‘Night of Stars,’ where her dam **Laffina** sold for \$1.5 million in foal to Ghostzapper last year.

“Certain horses, when you pull them out of the stall, [people say], ‘Wow, she looks expensive.’ And those are the kind of mares that people are going for because you know they’re going to throw a beautiful foal. Those mares are priceless to come by.”

“Bast has been a Fasig-Tipton favorite for a long time,” said Fasig-Tipton’s Boyd Browning. “Since we saw her on the Saratoga sales grounds, she had that wow factor as a yearling. I think the greatest compliment I’ve ever heard about Bast was that Bob Baffert said she was one of the top five fillies he’s ever seen at a yearling sale.”

He added of the foal she is carrying, “The foal really represents the brilliance of one of the finest 2-year-olds in the country coupled with the dominance of an undefeated Triple Crown winner in Justify. It’s just a remarkable opportunity, and then you keep in mind how young the mare is and just how many opportunities you’ll have to see sons or daughters out of Bast. That gets you really excited.”

“You couldn’t ask for anything more,” Sikura said. “I think every category that a high-end seeker of quality bloodstock would look for, Bast has all of those criterion met. If she were human, she would be driven to school in a limousine and would have gone to private school. She’s the best of the best of the best. We’re excited and proud to represent Susan Chu and we’re looking forward to her not only succeeding in the sales ring, but more importantly to succeeding as a broodmare with whoever is lucky enough to acquire such a fine prospect.”

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## "THIS NOW HAS SOME PERMANENCE": TOC'S GREG AVIOLI ON CALIFORNIA HANDLE, PURSES



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by Dan Ross

Recently, **TDN published** a data set illustrating how the racing industry in California has undergone a dramatic shapeshift, both before and during the pandemic. New betting patterns have constituted a quarter-billion-dollar boon for the advance deposit wagering (ADW) industry at the expense of the California horsemen's purses.

In a nutshell, as compared to a comparable period in 2018, the number of races this year has declined 30%. Although the overall handle has declined 18.8%, purses have dropped more than 26%.

To discuss these findings, we spoke with Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) president and CEO Greg Avioli. Prior to joining TOC, Avioli served as president and CEO of The Stronach Group (TSG) and of Breeders' Cup Limited. Prior to that, Avioli was the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA)'s COO and general counsel, and is the founding president of the organization's political action committee.

The following Q&A is from a longer, more discursive conversation. Any edits have been done in such a way as to streamline extraneous portions. The remaining text has been edited only very lightly for clarity.

**DR:** What are your main takeaways from the data?

**GA:** We've seen a fundamental shift in the economics of the industry in California.

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**DR: What are the most noteworthy changes you see?**

**GA:** I think it jumps off the page at you: For the projections for the whole year, you're looking at purses generated in California, excluding Breeders' Cup, dropping from about [\$87] million in 2018 to around [\$64] million in 2020. That's a [near] 30% decline.

I do not expect to see the on-track generated purse levels or the OTB-network generated levels come back to where they were pre-COVID. I believe this now has some permanence to it.



**Golden Gate had record handle early in the pandemic**  
*Shane Micheli/Vassar Photography*

**DR:** During the initial months of the pandemic, racing was pretty much the only betting game in town. Has the reintroduction of other sports into the marketplace impacted handle on racing?

**GA:** Of course. If you just look at Golden Gate as an example, during the early days when Golden Gate was one of the few tracks running, they had record handle for them--as much as \$4 to \$5 million a day. Now that you have the return of most of the other major sports, it has returned to its traditional \$1- to \$2-million-a-day range. That's the case, order of magnitude, with all of racing.

More recently, it was a bit of a shock to folks within the industry to see the [roughly] 50% reduction in total handle for both the Derby and the Preakness. If those had been run earlier in the year during COVID, I expect those declines wouldn't have been so great.

The advent of sports wagering in the major population markets of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Illinois, coupled with the return of live sports, has definitely resulted in a decrease in

the overall rate of ADW handle. But [ADWs are] still going to have a fantastic year.

**DR: How do we fix the hit to purses, though? As Pat Cummings of the Thoroughbred Idea Foundation (TIF) has said, the splits on betting need to be reviewed. At the same time, he warns that a takeout hike would only "hasten racing's handle decline." Do you agree with him?**

**GA:** I believe that both need to be reviewed. I don't agree that you cannot review takeout in the context of looking at everything else. When you're looking at almost [30%] reduction in purse generation in the largest racing market in California over 48 months, you owe it to my constituents, the owners, to look at "X."

The whole point of this economic model is that it was derived 20 years ago for ADW. There's no question it's had its benefits for California. It's also been extremely lucrative for the operators. So, we're just looking at: What is the model that is sustainable going forward?

One thing the folks who operate the major ADWs in the state--TVG and TwinSpires and Xpressbet--these are business people, right? They understand business numbers. None of this is personal. Right? If we went to the ADWs and said, 'Guys, we're off [30%] of our revenues--of our income--essentially for two years, we need to change the model.' Of course, everyone has to look at the model.

**DR: This period has proven to be a windfall for the ADW companies like TwinSpires and Xpressbet who, at the same time, have seen operating expenses at their tracks slashed due to the reduction in racing. The TIF calculated that Churchill Downs' online wagering profits rose 39% in the second quarter of this year, even without the Derby. How does this dynamic factor into things moving forward?**

**GA:** Which dynamic are you referring to?

**DR: Where's the short-term financial incentive for companies like The Stronach Group (which owns Xpressbet) to bring patrons and bettors back to their brick-and-mortar facilities?**

**GA:** I think that there are significant reasons. Look at Del Mar, for example. They have one of the most robust food and beverage operations in the whole country when it comes to racing. On-track wagering is the most lucrative form of wagering--of course you have incentives to bring fans back to your facilities.

The Stronach Group makes more money on a dollar wagered at Santa Anita than they do bet on Xpressbet. So, I disagree with that premise.

If your question is: How do we address the reality that Churchill Downs as a racetrack owns an ADW, as does The Stronach Group? I'm really not as focused on Churchill Downs as [I am on] The Stronach Group because they own two of the largest tracks in California.



Del Mar doesn't own an ADW | Horsephotos

**DR:** But that's a different dynamic than Del Mar, though. Del Mar doesn't own an ADW—The Stronach Group does.

**GA:** Correct. I'm not privy to--they're a private company--all the books and records of The Stronach Group, but I know for a certainty that that entity is significantly better off if people are wagering at that racetrack--particularly at California where they have a relatively minor market share for ADW. I'd say [almost] 80% of [ADW wagering] in California is TwinSpires and TVG.

**DR:** So, where are you looking to make fixes?

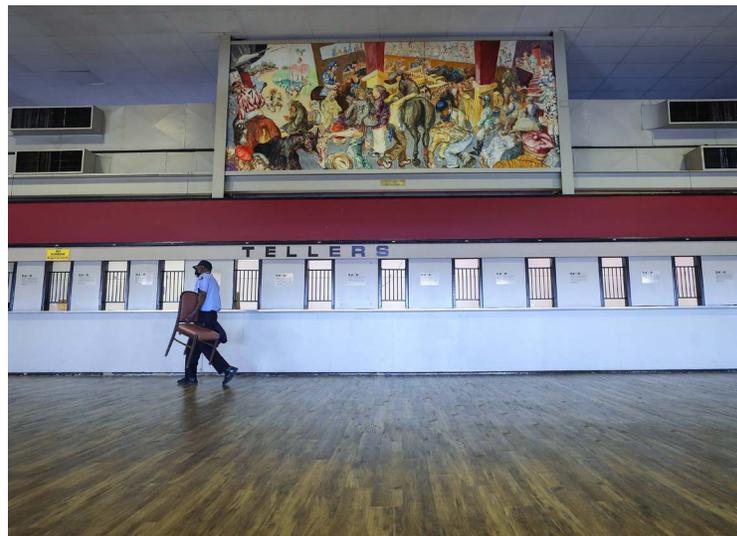
**GA:** If you go back to what I said about purse generation projected about \$85 million this year, what is coming out of that? There are two sides to the equation. One is how can we reduce expenses that are paid out of the purse account right now so it can go back to purses, right? And big expenses that we have right now for that would be the CHRБ [California Horse Racing Board], whose budget will be over \$18 million this year, with \$9 million coming from purses.

That's a budget that has increased on its own by 50% over the last five years from somewhere around \$12 million. Even though the number of horses, the number of races, number of owners, number of trainers, everything that they regulate has declined 10 to 30%, their budget has gone up 50%.

We've made it very clear to them--to the board members and the legislators--that's not good government. We need to work on that. There is some funding in the recent bill that's just passed--the animal welfare bill in Sacramento [AB 1974]--that will allow some of the [state revenues from racing licensing and fines] that previously went to the general fund, to go to fund expenses at UC Davis that were previously paid for by the CHRБ. So, it's a first step in a long journey, but that's about [\$1.2] million a year that will unburden the horse industry right now.

We have the stabling and vanning fund that will be operating at almost a [\$3.7]-million deficit this year, because it is primarily funded from wagering at the OTBs and the satellites, which have been largely dormant. We cannot continue to pay \$5 million a year out of the purse account for stabling and vanning, particularly when we are funding a capacity of stalls of approximately 3,200 while dealing with horses in those stalls of approximately 2,400. We've got to restructure that program.

We have taken significant steps in the last 12 months to shore up and improve the safety of the backside for live racing and training, so that we can stabilize if not reduce the cost of workers' compensation, which is another multi-million-dollar hit to the purse account.



Empty betting windows around California and the country are changing the business | Getty Images

We're doing the things we can do on the big picture numbers and the expense side. Obviously, the way to grow a successful business is, long-term, not to cut costs but to increase revenues. So, on the revenue side, first and foremost, and this is a longer-term effort, but we have to increase our field size.

You've seen the decrease in the number of days of racing, and now that we are down to three days of racing [a week], we have to have stronger field sizes for those three days. And that's a topic of conversation for another day: How do you go about doing that? **Cont. p17**

But the days of providing free year-round training, and yet having horses participate as the trainer chooses without regard to the broader economics, that can't continue.

**DR: You mean there might be some kind of stabling fee imposed?**

**GA:** One way or another, we have to come up with a shared vision between the racetracks and the trainers in order for the business to survive. There has to be a minimum number of horses participating on a regular basis in the state. Right now, we're much more old school, where everyone does their own thing. I run when I feel as though my horse is ready to run--can't rush them. If in fact I have a couple horses in training for a year that don't make a start, but the industry is paying for [them], that's a challenge to my business. That kind of stuff probably has to be addressed.

**DR: That's a tricky thing to address though. All we've got to do is look back at the Santa Anita welfare crisis--that was a big concern, trainers being compelled to run.**

**GA:** There's a big difference between a heavy handed--"you run or you're gone"--and an educational process where everybody starts nodding their head and going, 'I never realized.' And if we collectively don't do "X," we're not going to make it.

**DR: At the end of the day, it's the horsemen who are being crushed by the purse retention rates with ADWs. What should they be doing right now?**

**GA:** The first is philosophical--we're an ecosystem. There's no way to significantly improve California racing as an industry and as a product if it's not done together. Almost any party can block something. If the horsemen go to Sacramento and they want something and the tracks don't, it's not going to happen. Vice versa.

We have got to get leaders to emerge from all segments who can say, 'What can we all do together?' And really take the time to understand the complex economics. What can we do to fix this? Until there's a commitment to work together and realize that things are going to have to change--already have changed--then we're just wasting a lot of energy trying to convince people of your idea.

**DR: The ADW contracts expire at the end of the year. What's the status of the negotiations?**

**GA:** The way the ADWs work in California is another most remarkably Byzantium deal that legislators set up in 2000. All those licenses are set to expire by Dec. 31. So, the requirement for accepting wagers after your license is granted is that you have to have what is known as a hub agreement with one of the following parties: either the TOC or with a Thoroughbred racetrack running at least five weeks. That would be Santa Anita, Golden Gate, Los Alamitos, [Del Mar].

There's a statutory cap on the amount that [an ADW provider can receive from an ADW wager made by a California resident, which is 6.5%]. All the ADWs can go to The Stronach Group, Del Mar, Los Alamitos. If they go to one of the racetracks and they work out an agreement with them, it comes back to the TOC to approve it, and the only thing we can approve or disapprove under the law is the rate. And if we think the rate is inappropriate, we can propose a different rate. And if that rate isn't agreed to, then there is a very short specific arbitration process.

**DR: Have you made any projections on what those rates should be?**

**GA:** You can do the math. ADW [handle] is going to be \$800 million in California this year, and every point of fee paid to the ADWs is \$8 million. So, add a 5% fee which has been a standard rate for the last decade out here on the larger ADWs, that is \$40 million that they're getting in terms of post revenues--out of ADW--that would otherwise be going to the purses and commissions. If there was 4%, then it would be \$32 million. Three percent, \$24 million. We have not determined what an appropriate rate is--all this is happening in real time right now with us analyzing these numbers [and making] projections into the future.

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## TAYLOR MADE'S STEVE AVERY NAMED FINALIST FOR DEDICATION TO BREEDING AWARD



Steve Avery | Courtesy of TIEA

Congratulations to **Steve Avery**, one of three finalists in the **Dedication to Breeding Award** category of the Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards (TIEA), presented by Godolphin. The Wisconsin native has been in the horse industry for over four decades and has been part of Taylor Made for the last 20 years. Among the champions he's raised or managed are Havre de Grace, Princess Rooney, Songbird, and Speightstown.

"His responsibility, his reliability, his work ethic: it's just phenomenal," said Taylor Made's Logan Payne. "Even on vacation, he walks his dog, Henry, up to the barns to check on things."

Added Dr. Kevin Hyde of Rood & Riddle: "His impact on the industry can be seen through all those he has helped start their careers."

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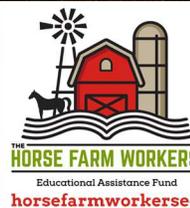
Other finalists for the Dedication to Breeding Award are David Kyle of Fasig-Tipton and Helen Otero of Coolmore America, who will be recognized on these pages in the coming days. The Dedication to Breeding Award is presented annually to an individual who has been in the Thoroughbred breeding industry for at least 10 years and is a pivotal part of his or her employer's success.

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A total of seven award categories will be honored by TIEA for 2020. Maria Cristina Silva of New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) has already been announced as the winner of the Community Award, while the winners in the other categories will be announced live in a virtual ceremony hosted by Jill Byrne and streamed at the TDN homepage Thursday, Nov. 5, at 12:00 p.m. ET. All finalists will be spotlighted in TDN in the days leading up to the ceremony.

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## FILLY ON A MISSION: DAUGHTER OF INTO MISCHIEF GARNERS RISING STARDOM

Baoma Corporation's \$750,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga buy **Private Mission** (Into Mischief) led home a one-two finish of promising fillies for the Bob Baffert barn Sunday to earn the 'TDN Rising Star' distinction. Backed as the even-money choice off a series of works that had churned up some buzz (click for [XBTV video](#) of Oct. 5 breeze in company with \$1.3-million colt American Admiral {American Pharoah}), the bay showed good early speed to sit in second locked on to the pacesetter. She took over after a :45.23 half, and only stablemate **Frosteria** (Frosted--Hystericalady) could come close to keeping up with her at that point. Private Mission had more to give, however, and cruised home a geared-down 1 3/4-length winner. Frosteria was 6 3/4 lengths clear of the third finisher.

Dam Private Gift, who was a two-turn stakes winner, was a \$2.3-million purchase by Greg Goodman's Mt. Brilliant while in foal to A.P. Indy at the 2008 Fasig-Tipton November sale. In addition to Secret Someone (A. P. Indy), MSW & GSP, \$409,301, she is responsible for the dam of last year's GI Alabama S. heroine Dunbar Road (Quality Road). **Cont. p2**

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**10th-Santa Anita, \$57,000, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16.82, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.**

**PRIVATE MISSION, f, 2, Into Mischief**



**1st Dam: Private Gift (SW, \$212,248), by Unbridled**

**2nd Dam: Private Status, by Alydar**

**3rd Dam: Miss Eva (Arg), by Con Brio II**

Sales history: \$750,000 Ylg '19 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. Free [EquineLine.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).** O-Baoma Corporation; B-Mt. Brilliant Broodmares I LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert. \*1/2 to Secret Someone (A.P. Indy), MSW & GSP, \$409,301.

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Private Gift is a half to GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Secret Status (A.P. Indy). Her Honor Code yearling filly sold to BSW/Crow for \$240,000 at last month's Keeneland September sale. Private Gift was not bred back for 2020, but visited Candy Ride (Arg) this season. Baffert trains progeny by the nation's leading sire Into Mischief that include GI Kentucky Derby hero Authentic and leading sophomore filly Gamine.



**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**FIRST STAKES WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE**

**DISPLAY S.**, C\$101,600, Woodbine, 10-18, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:22.62, ft.

1--**HELIUM**, 120, c, 2, by **Ironicus**

**1st Dam: Thundering Emilia, by Thunder Gulch**

**2nd Dam: Saint Emilia (Per), by Saint Ballado**

**3rd Dam: Proud Emilia, by Proud Appeal**

(\$55,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-D. J. Stable; B-Teneri Farm Inc & Bernardo Alvarez Calderon (KY); T-Mark

Casse; J-Emma-Jayne Wilson. C\$60,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$77,763. \*1/2 to Mighty Scarlett (Scat Daddy), GSP, \$225,860; Emilia's Moon (Malibu Moon), G1SW-Per.

1/2 sis by Scat Daddy sells at KEENOV - Hip 722 **Bluegrass Thor Services**

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2--**Gospel Way**, 120, g, 2, Brody's Cause--Bible Belt, by Pulpit. O-William B. Thompson, Jr.; B-William B. Thompson (VA); T-Nathan Squires. C\$20,000.

**Benson Farm Graduate**

3--**Decimator**, 118, g, 2, **The Big Beast**--Ragtime Road, by Dixieland Band. (\$40,000 Ylg '19 OBSOCT). O-Colebrook Farms; B-Jimmie Ballinger (FL); T-Ashlee Brnjas. C\$11,000.

Margins: 4 1/4, NK, 4. Odds: 1.40, 5.35, 56.85.

Also Ran: Exceed, Maclean's Posse, Knight Kingdom, Souper Classy. Scratched: Rocket Reload.

Helium backed up a sharp and fast track-and-trip debut score Sept. 27 to dominate Sunday's Display S. at Woodbine and become the first black-type winner for his freshman sire (by Distorted Humor). Off as the narrow 7-5 favorite over fellow impressive debut winner Maclean's Posse, the bay broke well and took up a stalking spot off the inside as his chief market rival took heat from two foes through splits of :23.65 and :46.40.



**Helium** | Michael Burns

Helium advanced ominously while out wide heading for home, and found another gear when called upon in the stretch to float away from his foes at will while capping a huge weekend North of the border for his trainer.

For the racing week at Woodbine, Casse sent out one winner each on Thursday and Friday, five Saturday and three Sunday.

Casse's five wins Saturday included dominant **'TDN Rising Star'** Souper Sensational (Curlin) in the filly equivalent of the Display, the Glorious Song S. He now boasts more than triple as many wins as the next trainer in the Woodbine meet standings.

"He's a pro, this horse is like an old soul," said pilot Emma-Jayne Wilson, whose three-win day also included the GI Northern Dancer Turf S. "First time he ran, we wanted to just get his legs and come running. He was up near the point and when I asked him to quicken, he quickened... So today, I was pretty confident. They set some decent fractions in front of him and he wasn't fazed. When you pull the trigger and they go, they're good horses. Well, that's what got me here today."

Helium's dam produced a Classic Empire maker colt in 2019 and an Accelerate colt this term before being bred back to American Pharoah. Sire Ironicus, now a Claiborne resident, blossomed at ages four and five, annexing a trio of graded races on the grass for Shug McGaughey and Stuart Janney III before just missing in the 2016 GI Shadwell Turf Mile S. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**ANOAKIA S.**, \$77,950, Santa Anita, 10-18, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.30, ft. 1--**KALYPSO, 118, f, 2, by Brody's Cause**

**1st Dam: Malibu Cove, by Malibu Moon**

**2nd Dam: Spirited Away, by Awesome Again**

**3rd Dam: Cape North, by Capote**

(\$240,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.**

O-Rockingham Ranch and David A Bernsen LLC; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Abel Cedillo. \$46,500. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$64,100. \*Second SW for freshman sire.

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2--**Queengol**, 120, f, 2, Flashback--Nechez Dawn, by Indian Charlie. (\$22,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$90,000 2yo '20 OBSMAR). O-Saragol Stable Corp. & Johana Viana; B-John R. Penn (KY); T-John W. Sadler. \$15,500.

 **Consigned by Gene Recio** 

3--**Illumination**, 118, f, 2, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Light the City, by Street Sense. (\$900,000 Ylg '19 FTSAUG). O-George Bolton, Peter & Karin Leidel, Barry Lipman, & Kerri Radcliffe; B-Breeze Easy, LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert. \$9,300.

**EATON SALES** **SOLD**

Hip 181 - Dam sells at FTKNOV w/ Baccari Bloodstock

 **LANE'S END SELLING AT KEENOV - HIP 2671** 

Margins: 2 1/4, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 4.80, 1.20, 6.10.

Also Ran: Forest Caraway, Needless to Say.

Kalypso broke her maiden in stakes company with a front-running score in the Anoakia S. Sunday at Santa Anita. The chestnut filly strode out to the early lead and was in hand through a quarter in :22.17 and a half :45.14. Three lengths in front with furlong to run, Kalypso was never threatened and sailed under the wire 2 1/4 lengths in front to become the second black-type winner for her freshman sire (by Giant's Causeway). Brody's Cause was also represented by Display S. runner-up Gospel Way at Woodbine Sunday.

"When you ride for Bob [Baffert], he just says, 'Break well and play the break.' I knew she had speed, so she broke really sharp and I just took that. She finished really strong and she galloped out really strong too. I think she did it pretty well."

Kalypso was third behind subsequent GI Del Mar Debutante runner-up Forest Caraway (Bodemeister) and Debutante third-place finisher Illumination in her 5 1/2-furlong debut at Del Mar Aug. 15 and had to settle for second behind Queengol after setting the pace over that same track and distance Sept. 5.

"We've been wanting to run her long, but we couldn't get a race to go," Baffert said. "She got sick after Del Mar, so we took our time with her. She's been training well and she's changed a lot. We'll stretch her out next time."

Malibu Cove has a yearling filly by Hit it a Bomb who sold for \$4,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale. The mare, a full-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Prospective and to the dam of this year's GIII Bashford Manor S. third-place finisher Herd Immunity (Union Rags), also has a weanling by Mor Spirit and she was bred back to Jimmy Creed. Spendthrift's B. Wayne Hughes purchased the winner's second dam, Spirited Away, for \$290,000 as a Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling in 2005. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



**Kalypso** | Benoit

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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**5th-Keeneland, \$62,138, Alw, 10-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.13, fm, 1 length.**

**IN LOVE (BRZ) (g, 4, Agnes Gold {Jpn}--Last Bet {Brz} {GSW & G1SP-Brz}, by Know Heights {Ire}),** Group 2-placed in Argentina, rallied from far back to be third behind re-opposing Falkirk (Cairo Prince) in his U.S. debut going a mile on the Churchill lawn Sept. 20. Representing the same connections as recent GI Shadwell Turf Mile hero Ivar (Brz) (Agnes Gold {Jpn}), the 7-2 favorite saved ground from off the pace before switching out and running down pacesetter Falkirk to get the job done by a length. The winner is half to Last Kiss (Brz) (Elusive Quality), G1SW-Brz, G1SP-Arg. He has a full-sister foaled in 2019. Lifetime Record: GSP-Arg, 7-2-1-2, \$63,110. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC & Stud R D I, LLC.; B-Fazenda Mondesir/Stud Rio Dois Irmaos (BRZ); T-Paulo H. Lobo.



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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**2nd-Belmont, \$80,000, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.84, ft, 3.5L.**

**CAFE SOCIETY (f, 2, Empire Maker--Full Tap, by Tapit),** let go at 10-1 from a 7-2 morning line for a barn that doesn't win with many firsters and doesn't train many 2-year-old sale grads, proved best of a promising-looking group Sunday at Big Sandy. Away alertly to press favored second timer Exact (Competitive Edge) through a :22.67 opening quarter, the bay challenged for the lead through a :46.08 half. She put away that foe by midstretch, and ran up the score to three lengths at the line in 1:10.84. Fellow firster Hit the Woah (Vancouver {Aus}) got up for second over the chalk. Cafe Society covered a furlong in **:10 flat** at the pushed-back OBS April sale.



**Cafe Society | Coglianesse Photo**

Cafe Society is the first foal out of a three-time turf sprint winner who sold for \$375,000 while carrying Cafe Society at the 2017 Keeneland November sale. Full Tap, who is out of stakes-winning half-sister to MGSW Ventana (Toccet), has a yearling full-brother to Cafe Society who brought just \$50,000 at Keeneland September. She visited Nyquist for 2021. Sales history: \$135,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$475,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$44,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Allen Stable, Inc.; B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Claude R. McGaughey III.

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**1st-Woodbine, C\$70,800, Msw, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10.35, ft, 1/2 length.**

**TAPITLIKEITSHOT (f, 3, Tapit--Gold Mover {MGSW & MGISP-USA, GSP-Can, \$1,523,010}, by Gold Fever)** had not been out since finishing a well-beaten fifth going seven furlongs at this oval Aug. 15. Sent off at 11-1, the gray filly sat just off the early pacesetters while racing along the rail. She split foes at the top of the stretch reeled in pacesetting favorite Yes To Mischief (Into Mischief) down the lane to win by a half-length.

Tapitlikeitshot, who RNA'd for \$225,000 as a KEESEP yearling, is a half-sister to Giant Mover (Giant's Causeway), SW, \$163,813; and to Maleeh (Indian Charlie), SW, \$158,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$34,238.

O-Gary Barber; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Mark Casse.

Hip #2042 - Selling with **BLUEWATER** at **KEENOV**  
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**6th-Keeneland, \$70,000, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, 7f, 1:29.23, ft, 2L. INSPECTOR FROST (c, 2, Frosted--Folk {MSW-UAE, GISP-US, \$376,924}, by Quiet American)** ran third despite a troubled trip in his 6 1/2-furlong debut at Churchill Downs Sept. 18. The 2-1 favorite seized the lead down the backstretch and was clear through a quarter in :23.11 and a half in :46.96. He skipped further clear into the stretch and reported home a two-length winner as Tiwanaku (Tapit) tried in vain to reel him in late. The ninth winner for freshman sire (by Tapit), Inspector Frost is a half-brother to Captivating Lass (A.P. Indy), SW & GSP, \$133,225. Folk, who was third in the 2007 GI Coaching Club American Oaks, produced a colt by Dialed In last year and a filly by Distorted Humor in 2020. She was bred back to Sky Mesa. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$49,500.

O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

**NBS SUCCESS**



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**8th-Belmont, \$70,000, (S), Msw, 10-18, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17.92, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.**

**HORN OF PLENTY (g, 2, Emcee--Bugle Call, by Lemon Drop Kid),** let go at 10-1, tracked the pacesetters from the rail through a quarter in :22.40 and a half in :46.36. After looking to angle out for running room at the top of the stretch, the gelding was angled back to the rail, then shifted out a path and wore down pacesetting favorite Excellent Timing (Not This Time) late to win going away by 1 3/4 lengths. Bugle Call has a yearling filly by Temple City and a weanling colt by Irish War Cry. She was bred back to Hoppertunity this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$38,500.

O-Kathleen McClay & Norm Porter; B-Trinity West Stable (NY); T-Rob Atlas.

**9th-Keeneland, \$69,905, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, 7f, 1:30.66, ft, head. SOUND THE CHARGE (g, 2, Will Take Charge--Fortunia {GSP}, by Leroidesanimaux {Brz}),** the 5-2 second choice, pulled his way to the early lead and battled through fractions of :22.92 and :46.53. The bay gelding powered clear on the turn and was still three lengths in front with a furlong to run, but his lead diminished rapidly in the final strides and he held on to win by a desperate head over Seminole Beach (Ghostzapper) who had another head on Big in the City (Trappe Shot) in third. Sound the Charge was a \$37,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$12,000 FTKOCT yearling. He has a yearling half-brother by Brody's Cause and a weanling half-sister by Malibu Moon. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000.

O-Norma Lee Stockseth & Todd Dunn; B-Janeen Oliver (KY); T-Donnie K. Von Hemel.

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**2nd-Santa Anita, \$55,000, Msw, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.64, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.**

**HIMIKO (f, 3, American Pharoah--Untouched Talent {GSW & GISP, \$243,550}, by Storm Cat),** eighth on debut over the turf at Santa Anita May 16, was runner-up over this main track June 21 and again at Del Mar last time out July 31. Shedding the blinkers for this fourth start, the 7-5 second choice was on the lead in the early strides, but was overtaken by favored stablemate As Time Goes By (American Pharoah), who rushed up to grab command along the rail down the backstretch. Himiko was just off her stablemate turning for home and rolled up to challenge the favorite at the top of the lane. She strode to the lead in the final furlong and drew clear easily to win by 2 1/4 lengths. As Time Goes By was second.

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Himiko was a \$1-million KEENOV weanling. She is a half-sister to Bodemeister (Empire Maker), GISW, \$1,304,800; and to Fascinating (Smart Strike), MGISP, \$166,320. Untouched Talent produced a filly by Pioneerof the Nile last year and a colt by Justify this year. She was bred back to Justify. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$54,500.

O-Grand Farm Family; B-Eaton (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

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**4th-Laurel, \$46,000, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:04.98, ft, nose.**

**SWIRLING DANCER (f, 2, Fort Larned--Sky High Gal {MSW & GSP, \$232,533}, by Leroidesanimaux {Brz})** proved resilient in the stretch to earn her diploma in a photo. Let go at 11-1 breaking from the outside, the Stronach homebred sped to the front to post splits of :23.15 and :46.65 but was headed into the lane and seemed beat. Main track only entrant Sugar Surge (Candy Ride {Arg}) looked like the winner late, but Swirling Dancer battled back up the fence to take a close one. The winner hails from the female family of MGISW Awad (Caveat). She has a yearling half-sister by Shaman Ghost and her dam was bred to Bernardini for 2021. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800.

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O-Stronach Stables; B-Adena Springs (CA); T-Jeremiah O'Dwyer.

**8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$39,630, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.12, ft, 1 length.**

**STARLIGHT STROLL (f, 2, Indian Evening--Maddie's Odyssey {SP, \$142,113}, by Kitten's Joy),** given a 7-2 chance off a steady series of drills at Los Alamitos, tracked her stablemate Okoye (Indian Evening) before wearing that one down by a length. The winner is half to Grecian Fire (Unusual Heat), GSW, \$418,453; and Been Studying Her (Fast Anna), MSW, \$297,542; and is a full to Sneaking Out, MGSW, \$531,441. Her dam produced a Straight Fire colt in 2019 and Tapit filly this term before being bred back to Constitution. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$23,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-KMN Racing (CA); T-Steve M. Sherman.

**4th-Remington, \$29,000, Msw, 10-17, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.34, ft, 1L.**

**TAYTAY (f, 2, Violence--Le Sang Royale, by Henrythenavigator),** second on debut at Prairie Meadows in August, dueled her way to a one-length victory Saturday evening as the 9-5 favorite. High Cost of Livin (Midshipman) was second. The winner has a yearling half-brother by Outwork and weanling half-sister by Carpe Diem. Her dam was bred back to Outwork. Sales history: \$20,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$22,943. **Click for Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-M Schmidt; B-Dana Waier Thoroughbreds (IL); T-S Young.

**3rd-Hawthorne, \$28,160, Msw, 10-18, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.88, my, 7 1/4 lengths.**

**JOLINA (f, 2, Lemon Drop Kid--Julie Be Good, by Stormy Atlantic)** did no running when beaten almost 44 lengths routing on the Arlington grass Sept. 18. Dismissed at 31-1 in receipt of first-time Lasix here, the homebred zipped right to the front and never looked back, despite drifting sharply in the stretch, to notch a 7 1/4-length shocker. Newcomer Perfectiontodetail (Majesticperfection) was second.

Jolina's dam is a half-sister to GSW Summer Mis (Summer Squall) and produced a blame colt last year. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$18,480. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**Unique Diamond, g, 5, English Channel--Diamond Dilemma (Ire),** by Sinnar (Ire). Rome, 10-18, Hcp. (€20.9k), 2200mT, 2:26.24. Lifetime Record: 29-9-9-1. O/T-Societa Al M.S. SRL Di Salvioni M. Rita. B-Calumet Farm (KY). \*\$1,500 Ylg '16 FTKOCT.

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### FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

**Dowsing (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), Holden Farm, \$25,000

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

7-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, FORSBERG, 50-1

**Harry's Holiday** (Harlan's Holiday), Southern Indiana Equine, \$3,000

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

9-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, A TOUCH OF JUSTICE, 8-1

\$3,271 IND MIX yrl

9-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, INCREDIBLE JUSTICE, 30-1

\$10,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

**Majestic Harbor** (Rockport Harbor), Harris Farms, \$2,500  
 15 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
 7-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, MANUELITO, 3-5  
 \$3,800 IND MIX yrl

**Sahara Sky** (Pleasant Tap), Indy Dancers Training Center, \$2,000  
 5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
 7-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, CAN'T SAY ELLY MAE, 30-1



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**3rd-Woodbine, C\$100,385**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$45,492-\$47,388),  
 10-18, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.48, gd, 1 length.

**ROYAL LASER (g, 5, Giant Gizmo--Green Jewel, by Green Dancer)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 26-5-4-5, \$274,959. O-Goldmart Farms & Royal Laser Racing Inc.; B-Richard Moylan (ON); T-Sid C. Attard. \*1/2 to Venus Bay (Mobil), SP, \$252,984; and Kingsport (Milwaukee Brew), MSW, \$792,618.

**8th-Woodbine, C\$73,622**, 10-18, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT),  
 1:09.02, ft, head.

**CASH DIVIDEND (g, 5, Candy Ride {Arg}--Dyno Temper, by Dynaformer)** Lifetime Record: 19-4-2-1, \$120,454. O-Barry & Ryan Shane Kerbel; B-Machmer Hall & Haymarket Farm (KY); T-Denise McClachrie. \*\$200,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV.

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**7th-Laurel, \$46,350**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 10-18,  
 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43.28, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

**LANDING ZONE (f, 3, Morning Line--Lunar Landing, by El Corredor)** Lifetime Record: 18-6-7-2, \$173,777. O-BB Horses; B-Bell Tower Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Claudio A. Gonzalez. \*\$4,500 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

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**5th-Laurel, \$45,906**, 10-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.15, ft, nose.

**MARYANORGINGER (f, 3, Strong Mandate--Timetobegone, by Vindication)** Lifetime Record: SW, 5-2-0-0, \$113,713. O-Hibiscus Stables LLC & Christopher Dunn; B-C. Kidder, N. Cole & Linda Griggs (KY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart. \*\$25,000 Wlg '17 FTKNOV; \$190,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL.

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**3rd-Gulfstream West, \$44,600**, Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 10-18,  
 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57.50, gd, 1 1/2 lengths.

**MISS AURAMET (f, 4, Uncaptured--Hello Rosie, by Yes It's True)** Lifetime Record: 16-7-4-2, \$269,240. O-David Melin, Leon Ellman, & Laurie Plesa; B-Marion G. Montanari (FL); T-Edward Plesa, Jr. \*\$42,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT; \$135,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

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**8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$41,190**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000),  
 10-17, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:37.52, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

**HECK YEAH (h, 5, Acclamation--Lutess, by Maria's Mon)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 11-5-0-0, \$335,769. O-Robert Baedeker, Constance Ann Pageler & Michael Sigband; B-Michael Pageler (CA); T-Steve M. Sherman.

**7th-Gulfstream West, \$38,100**, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$60,000),  
 10-18, 2yo, 1mT, 1:39.41, gd, 3 3/4 lengths.

**I GET IT (f, 2, Get Stormy--Twisted Beauty, by General Quarters)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$40,200. O-We Got This Stables; B-Flying H Stables, LLC (MD); T-Ronald B. Spatz. \*\$8,500 Ylg '19 OBSOCT.

**8th-Remington, \$34,001**, 10-17, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.35, fm,  
 1 3/4 lengths.

**TUT'S REVENGE (g, 4, Eskendereya--Cat Five' O {SW, \$121,817}, by Pleasantly Perfect)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 20-7-2-2, \$255,075. O-Claim To Fame Stable; B-Lane Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Clinton C. Stuart.

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**7th-Hawthorne, \$28,320**, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,500), 10-18,  
 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.22, gd, 1 length.

**FULL OF GRACE (f, 4, Strong Mandate--La Glamorosa {Ch. 2-year-old Filly-PR, MSW-PR, \$179,669}, by Fire Slam)** Lifetime Record: 19-6-3-1, \$150,563. O-Novogratz Racing Stables Inc.; B-Rose Hill Farm Inc. & John Trumbulovic (KY); T-Hugh H. Robertson. \*\$37,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTKJUL; \$20,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

**4th-Century Mile, C\$19,520**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$26,537), 10-18, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.71, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

**SHARP DRESSED BEAU (g, 4, Car Talk {Ire}--Sudden, by Speed Jaro {Fr})** Lifetime Record: SW, 17-5-2-4, \$88,250. O-Empire Equestrian; B-Neil Knapp (OR); T-Rick Hedge. \*\$1,600 2yo '18 BGSKY.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Derzkii**, g, 2, **Frac Daddy**--Lady Sarah, by Whywhywhy. Woodbine, 10-18, 1mT, 1:37.53. B-Megan Allan & Lesley Kraus (ON). \*C\$2,700 RNA Wlg '18 CANNOV; C\$19,000 RNA Ylg '19 CANSEP.

**Juba Did It**, g, 2, **Juba**--Landon Did It (MSP, \$122,562), by Personal First. Charles Town, 10-17, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.05. B-Kristy Petty (WV). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*3rd winner for first-crop sire (by Tapit).

**Railsplitter**, g, 3, **Bodemeister**--Ghost Flower (MSP, \$129,486), by Ghostzapper. Golden Gate Fields, 10-18, 1mT, 1:37.92. B-Glen View Oaks LLC (KY). \*\$75,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL; \$125,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR.

#### **Kip Elser's KIRKWOOD STABLES**

**Much More Halo**, c, 3, **More Than Ready**--Spinning Time, by Giant's Causeway. Santa Anita, 10-18, 5 1/2ft, 1:03.28. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). \*\$170,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$390,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR.

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**Priceless Will**, g, 3, **Wilko**--Priceless Friend, by Successful Appeal. Woodbine, 10-18, (C), 6f (AWT), 1:10.16. B-Heste Sport Inc. - TB Racing Division (ON).

**Comic**, f, 4, **Distorted Humor**--Miss Super Quick (SP), by Rock Hard Ten. Remington, 10-17, 6f, 1:10.49. B-LNJ Foxwoods (KY).

**Roll the Stone**, g, 4, **Rascal Cat**--Lasting Lake, by Meadowlake. Century Mile, 10-18, 6f, 1:10.66. B-Running Fawcett Thoroughbreds LTD (AB).



**ACCLAMATION**, Heck Yeah, h, 5, o/o Lutess, by Maria's Mon. AOC, 10-17, Golden Gate

**AGNES GOLD (JPN)**, In Love (Brz), g, 4, o/o Last Bet (Brz), by Know Heights (Ire). ALW, 10-18, Keeneland

**AMERICAN PHAROAH**, Himiko, f, 3, o/o Untouched Talent, by Storm Cat. MSW, 10-18, Santa Anita

**BLAME**, Blame Debbie, f, 3, o/o Jadwa, by Invasor (Arg). GIII Rood and Riddle Dowager S., 10-18, Keeneland

**BODEMEISTER**, Railsplitter, g, 3, o/o Ghost Flower, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 10-18, Golden Gate

**BRODY'S CAUSE**, Kalypso, f, 2, o/o Malibu Cove, by Malibu Moon. Anoaia S., 10-18, Santa Anita

**CANDY RIDE (ARG)**, Cash Dividend, g, 5, o/o Dyno Temper, by Dynaformer. ALW, 10-18, Woodbine

**CAR TALK (IRE)**, Sharp Dressed Beau, g, 4, o/o Sudden, by Speed Jaro (Fr). AOC, 10-18, Century Mile

**DISTORTED HUMOR**, Comic, f, 4, o/o Miss Super Quick, by Rock Hard Ten. MSW, 10-17, Remington

**DUBAWI (IRE)**, Devamani (Fr), g, 6, o/o Daryakana (Fr), by Selkirk. GII Knickerbocker S., 10-18, Belmont

**EMCEE**, Horn of Plenty, g, 2, o/o Bugle Call, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 10-18, Belmont

**EMPIRE MAKER**, Cafe Society, f, 2, o/o Full Tap, by Tapit. MSW, 10-18, Belmont

**ESKENDEREYA**, Tut's Revenge, g, 4, o/o Cat Five' O, by Pleasantly Perfect. ALW, 10-17, Remington

**FORT LARNED**, Swirling Dancer, f, 2, o/o Sky High Gal, by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). MSW, 10-18, Laurel

**FRAC DADDY**, Derzkii, g, 2, o/o Lady Sarah, by Whywhywhy. MSW, 10-18, Woodbine

**FROSTED**, Inspector Frost, c, 2, o/o Folk, by Quiet American. MSW, 10-18, Keeneland

**GET STORMY**, Get Smokin, g, 3, o/o Hookah Lady, by Smoke Glacken. GII Hill Prince S., 10-18, Belmont

**GET STORMY**, I Get It, f, 2, o/o Twisted Beauty, by General Quarters. AOC, 10-18, Gulfstream West

**GIANT GIZMO**, Royal Laser, g, 5, o/o Green Jewel, by Green Dancer. AOC, 10-18, Woodbine

**INDIAN EVENING**, Starlight Stroll, f, 2, o/o Maddie's Odyssey, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 10-18, Golden Gate

**INTO MISCHIEF**, Private Mission, f, 2, o/o Private Gift, by Unbridled. MSW, 10-18, Santa Anita

**IRONICUS**, Helium, c, 2, o/o Thundering Emilia, by Thunder Gulch. Display S., 10-18, Woodbine

**JUBA**, Juba Did It, g, 2, o/o Landon Did It, by Personal First. MSW, 10-17, Charles Town

**LEMON DROP KID**, Jolina, f, 2, o/o Julie Be Good, by Stormy Atlantic. MSW, 10-18, Hawthorne

**MIDNIGHT LUTE**, Smooth Like Strait, c, 3, o/o Smooth as Usual, by Flower Alley. GII Twilight Derby, 10-18, Santa Anita

**MORE THAN READY**, Much More Halo, c, 3, o/o Spinning Time, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 10-18, Santa Anita

**MORE THAN READY**, Say the Word, g, 5, o/o Danceforthecause, by Giant's Causeway. GI Northern Dancer Turf S. Presented by Pattison, 10-18, Woodbine

**MORNING LINE**, Landing Zone, f, 3, o/o Lunar Landing, by El Corredor. AOC, 10-18, Laurel

**RASCAL CAT**, Roll the Stone, g, 4, o/o Lasting Lake, by Meadowlake. MSW, 10-18, Century Mile

**SILENT NAME (JPN)**, Silent Poet, g, 5, o/o Cara Bella, by Ghostzapper. GII Nearctic S., 10-18, Woodbine

**SIYOUNI (FR)**, Etoile (Fr), f, 4, o/o Milena's Dream (Ire), by Authorized (Ire). GI E. P. Taylor S., 10-18, Woodbine

**STRONG MANDATE**, Full of Grace, f, 4, o/o La Glamorosa, by Fire Slam. AOC, 10-18, Hawthorne

**STRONG MANDATE**, Maryanorginger, f, 3, o/o Timetobegone, by Vindication. ALW, 10-18, Laurel

**TAPIT**, Tapitlikeitshot, f, 3, o/o Gold Mover, by Gold Fever. MSW, 10-18, Woodbine

**UNCAPTURED**, Miss Auramet, f, 4, o/o Hello Rosie, by Yes It's True. AOC, 10-18, Gulfstream West

**VIOLENCE**, Taytay, f, 2, o/o Le Sang Royale, by Henrythenavigator. MSW, 10-17, Remington

**WILKO**, Priceless Will, g, 3, o/o Priceless Friend, by Successful Appeal. MOC, 10-18, Woodbine

**WILL TAKE CHARGE**, Sound the Charge, g, 2, o/o Fortunia, by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). MSW, 10-18, Keeneland

## NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Oct. 24	GIII Senator Ken Maddy S.	Santa Anita
Oct. 25	GII Goldikova S. GIII Athenia S.	Santa Anita Belmont
Oct. 31	GIII Bold Ruler S.	Belmont
Nov. 6	GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint GII Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance S.	Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland
Nov. 7	GI Longines Breeders' Cup Classic GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf GI Breeders' Cup Mile GI Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff GI Breeders' Cup Sprint GI Big Ass Fans Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint GII Autumn S. GIII Maple Leaf S. GIII Turnback the Alarm S.	Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Keeneland Woodbine Woodbine Aqueduct

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## WONDERFUL UPDATES FOR ARQANA OCTOBER



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Emma Berry

By Emma Berry

DEAUVILLE, France—Following on from an extraordinarily robust fortnight of trade at Tattersalls, the yearling sales action has switched back to Deauville, with a higher number of visitors than expected, especially breeze-up pinhookers unable to fill their quotas in the face of strong opposition in Newmarket.

Though held in its traditional slot, the Arqana October Sale has a slightly different feel this year as it incorporates a number of yearlings which would otherwise have been in the V2 Sale in August, as well as those originally destined for Osarus in September. In order to accommodate this higher level of demand, the sale has been extended to five days, beginning at the Elie de Brignac complex from Monday.

“In the spring and summer when we were putting the catalogues together for September and October it was very difficult to understand what was going to happen in the autumn,” said Arqana’s executive director Freddy Powell on Sunday. “Some people wanted to put some of their October horses into the Select Sale in September to try to sell as soon as possible, just in case, and some people wanted to go to October even if we felt they had suitable horses for the Select Sale.

## THE REVENANT ENTERS WINTER QUARTERS FIT AND WELL

Saturday’s G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. hero **The Revenant (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) has emerged from his QIPCO British Champions Day test in good order and will not start again this year. Besides the QEII, the 5-year-old gelding also landed the G2 Prix Daniel Wildenstein on Arc Weekend this term, his second edition of the race.

“He’s back in his box and very happy—he came out of the race well,” said trainer Francis-Henri Graffard. “The QEII was the plan since the race last year. Obviously we had to miss a big part of the season, and our patience was rewarded. He had a very good comeback in the Wildenstein and came on a lot for the race. He produced a very good performance.

“We will wait until next year now—we won’t travel abroad and will stick to Europe. Hopefully we will be able to run him in the spring and the autumn. He has won on good ground, but obviously he can perform at a very high level on soft and heavy.”

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## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### ETOILE SHINES IN GI E. P. TAYLOR S.

Siyouni (Fr)’s **Etoile (Fr)** earned her first Grade I victory in the E. P. Taylor S. at Woodbine on Sunday. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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He added, “So it was a big juggling act with all the vendors and breeders, but Ludovic [Cornuel] and his bloodstock team have done a good job and have kept in touch with the vendors all the time to keep them informed.”

Having shunted back its major August Yearling Sale, which goes hand in hand with Deauville’s top-class month of racing, to a quieter September date, there is a sense of relief at some return to normality for Arqana, which had to delay and relocate its breeze-up sale in the spring to hold it in tandem with Goffs UK at Doncaster.

Powell continued, “The Arc Sale was the first sale in France this year to be held at the right time. Everything else has been different. At one point this year we didn’t even know if all the races could be run—there was a concern that this could be a lost generation—but thankfully most of the big races have gone ahead even if they weren’t all at the right time.”

As prize-money has fallen in other jurisdictions, and with no owners currently allowed to go racing in Ireland, and no spectators in Britain, this season France Galop has been proactive in its campaign to lure overseas owners to French racing. An extra incentive will be in place from next season as the owners’ premiums are raised to 70% on top of prize-money for 2-year-old races, and that will be extended to 3-year-old races from 2022.

“Knowing that we didn’t have our V2 Sale this year, and that Osarus didn’t have its sale, all those 2-year-old types are in this sale, so we can believe and hope that people who are looking for 2-year-old types are going to find them here,” Powell said. “There are a lot of pinhookers around, and obviously a lot of them couldn’t get to Keeneland this year. They are optimistic people and it’s great that they believe that we will be having breeze-ups here next year. It’s what we all hope for.”



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He added, “The French stallions are quite popular in Europe at the moment and we have a catalogue full of them, and the catalogue has improved in the last few weeks with some good updates.”

In the case of **lot 170**, there has been not just one but two Group 1 updates since the publication of the catalogue. The colt, offered by Coulonces Sales, is from the first crop of the Haras de Montfort & Préaux stallion Recorder (GB) and is a half-brother to Wonderful Tonight (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), the winner of the Qatar Prix de l’Opera and QIPCO British Champions Fillies & Mares S. for English-based French trainer David Menuisier and owner Chris Wright.

Wonderful Tonight and the yearling were bred by Montfort & Préaux manager Mathieu Alex and the stud’s consultant Sylvain Vidal under the banner of Ecurie Taos. The pair bought the dam, Salvation (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), privately for £2,000 after she failed to sell in the ring at the Tattersalls July Sale of 2010.

“She’s from Camelot’s family and there was a lot of class in there, and we were both big fans of Montjeu,” said Alex at Arqana on Sunday morning. “We bought her quite cheaply and at the time Air Chief Marshal (Ire) was on the farm. We have always supported our stallions and we thought that she would be a good match for him, both on bloodlines and physically.”

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## Arqana October Yearling Sale Preview Cont.

That first mating with Air Chief Marshal resulted in Penjade (Fr), who was a winner and twice listed-placed in France for Philippe Decouz before being switched to Chad Brown's string in America, where she was fourth in the GIII Athenia S. The breeders have been true to their word in supporting the farm's own stallions, and Salvation, now the dam of four winners, has twice visited Rajsaman (Fr) before her promotion to Le Havre's book produced Wonderful Tonight from the second of her two matings with the stud's flagship stallion. As well as the Recorder yearling colt, she also as a filly foal by the Queen's former runner and is now back in foal to Le Havre.

"All her foals have been talented horses and she has been a very lucky mare for us," Alex continued. "When Wonderful Tonight went to the yearling sale she was bought back in the ring and I said to David Menuisier and Crispin de Moubray that the filly was bred on the farm and that we liked her, even if she wasn't a typical sales horse. To be fair to them, they said straight away that they would send a vet and that if all was good they would buy her. I am delighted for them and for Chris Wright as she will be a lovely broodmare for his stud."

In winning the Prix de l'Opera at the Arc meeting, Wonderful Tonight became the fifth Group 1 winner to have emerged from the paddocks of Montfort & Préaux in the last six years, following the Le Havre-sired trio of Avenir Certain (Fr), La Cressonniere (Fr) and Suedois (Fr), as well as Air Chief Marshal's Mont Ormel (Fr).

Alex added, "Sadler's Wells and most of his sons have worked very well with Le Havre and the [yearling] colt is very typical of the type of horse the mare has produced. We are obviously very pleased to have Recorder on the farm. He's very well bred and was a very talented horse, according to his connections. The Queen has supported him, Mr. Augustin-Normand has supported him and now Mr Bizakov has supported him." [Cont. p4](#)



The Sea The Stars half-sister to Aunt Pearl, lot 110b | Arqana

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**Arqana October Yearling Sale Preview Cont.**

Alex said, “ We are very happy with his stock and next year will be a very important year for him. What I like about Recorder is that he was a fast Galileo, and that’s what we need, especially in this country. What’s important for stallions is the quality of mares, where they are raised and good trainers, and that’s what we are working on hard for him, like we did with Le Havre.”

The Recorder colt is not the only yearling to have received a significant update since the publication of the catalogue. Among others is **lot 125**, the Reliable Man (GB) half-sister to Plainchant (Fr) (Gregorian {Ire}), recent winner of the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte as well as the G3 Prix Eclipse.

In the Haras d’Etreham draft, a colt by the stud’s freshman stallion Almanzor (Fr), **lot 122**, is the three-quarter-brother to recent Listed Prix de Saint-Cyr winner Speak Of The Devil (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), while Etreham also offers a supplementary lot, **110b**, a Sea The Stars (Ire) half-sister to GII Jessamine S. winner Aunt Pearl (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}).

The Arqana October Yearling Sale with Osarus gets underway in Deauville at 11 a.m. on Monday, with 2 p.m. starts for the following three days and a return to 11 a.m. for Friday.

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**HEIDI HIGH**

Manfred Schmelzer’s **Noble Heidi (Fr)** (Intello {Ger}) added to trainer Henk Grewe’s regular Tours de France tally with a July 1 debut win over seven furlongs at Compiegne, slipping to third in an Aug. 21 heat over the same distance at Clairefontaine, and she regained the winning thread upped to one mile at Chantilly last month, defeating subsequent G3 Prix Thomas Bryon second Homeryan (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) in that Sept. 1 test. She was sent postward as the 17-10 selection for Sunday’s G3 Preis der Winterkonigin, Germany’s premier event for juvenile fillies, and duly delivered for a career high in the one-mile Baden-Baden feature. The eventual winner stalked the pace in fourth after an alert getaway in this black-type bow. Improving into third at the top of the straight, she was sent in pursuit of **Novemba (Ger)** (Gleneagles {Ire}) approaching the final furlong and kept on strongly under continued rousting in the closing stages to deny that rival by 3/4-of-a-length nearing the line.

“She works well at home and has the feel of a very good horse although I did manage to get beat on her once,” winning rider Andrasch Starke told *GaloppOnline*. “The race was run at a fast pace and I had to commit on the bend. She quickened very well, but had a look around once she hit the front.” **Cont. p5**



**SHALAA**

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**G3 Preis der Winterkonigin Cont.**

Champion trainer Henk Grewe added, “We selected her with the owner and she impressed us at the sales, although the price was a bit high for the pedigree. I think she will stay 10 furlongs without any problems and we’ll see if she can go beyond that. We might take her back to France to build her up, but she is not a [G2 German] 1000 Guineas filly. The [G1 Preis der] Diana is her ultimate goal.”

Peter Schiergen, trainer of the runner-up Novemba, said, “Sybille [Vogt] gave her a ride and the horse ran great. She will now go on her winter break and we shall aim her at next year’s [G2 German] 1000 Guineas.”



Henk Grewe | Marc Ruehl

**Pedigree Notes**

Noble Heidi, half to a yearling filly by Zarak (Fr) and the sixth pattern-race winner for her sire, is the second of three foals and lone scorer produced by a half-sister to Listed Radley S. runner-up Oxsana (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and G3 Kolner Herbst-Stuten-Meile victress Turning Light (Ger) (Fantastic Light), herself the dam of MGSP Listed La Puente S. winner Surrey Star (Ire)

(Dubawi {Ire}). Her second dam, G2 German 1000 Guineas placegetter Turning Leaf (Ire) (Last Tycoon {Ire}), is kin to Listed Bremer Sprint-Cup third Tartuffo (Ger) (Big Shuffle) and Listed Krefelder Stutenpreis third Tamarita (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}). The latter’s descendants include G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten-winning sire Tai Chi (Ger) (High Chaparral {Ire}), G3 Hamburger Stutenpreis victress Taraja (Ger) (High Chaparral {Ire}), this year’s G3 Prix Daphnis winner Thorin (Ger) (Soldier Hollow {GB}) and this term’s Listed Prix Gold River winner Think Of Me (Ger) (So You Think {NZ}).

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**Sunday, Baden-Baden, Germany**

**PREIS DER WINTERKONIGIN-G3**, €105,000, Baden-Baden, 10-18, 2yo, f, 8fT, 1:43.32, sf.

1--**NOBLE HEIDI (FR)**, 128, f, 2, by **Intello (Ger)**

1st Dam: **Noble Pensee (Fr)**, by **Orpen**

2nd Dam: **Turning Leaf (Ire)**, by **Last Tycoon (Ire)**

3rd Dam: **Tamacana (GB)**, by **Windwurf (Ger)**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN.** (€77,000 Ylg ‘19 BBAGS). O-Manfred Schmelzer; B-Marc Bridoux & EARL Haras de l’Hotellerie (FR); T-Henk Grewe; J-Andrasch Starke. €60,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, €88,280. \*6th SW for her sire (by Galileo {Ire}). **Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Novemba (Ger)**, 128, f, 2, **Gleneagles (Ire)**--Nevada (Ger), by Dubai Destination). O/B-Gestut Brummerhof (GER); T-Peter Schiergen. €23,000.

3--**Amazing Grace (Ger)**, 128, f, 2, Protectionist (Ger)--Amabelle (Ger), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). O/B-Dr Christoph Berglar (GER); T-Waldemar Hickst. €11,000.

Margins: 3/4, 1 3/4, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.70, 22.50, 6.90.

Also Ran: Marlar (Ger), Near Lady (Ger), Peaches (Ger), Theodora (Ger), Shila (Ger), Gonamira (Ger), Reine d’Amour (Ger). Scratched: Salonlove (Ger). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

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**PREMIO VERZIERE MEMORIAL-G3**, €77,000, Milan, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 2000mT, 2:06.10.

1--**ELISA AGAIN (GB)**, 125, f, 4, **Champs Elysees (GB)**

**1st Dam: Sunny Again (GB)**, by **Shirocco (Ger)**

**2nd Dam: Spotlight (GB)**, by **Dr Fong**

**3rd Dam: Dust Dancer (GB)**, by **Suave Dancer**

**1ST GROUP WIN.** (5,500gns Ylg '17 TATOCT). O-Luigi Pietro Roveda. B-Bluehills Racing Limited (GB). T-Roberto Biondi.

J-Andre Mezzatesta. €29,750. Lifetime Record: 15-6-6-1, €179,390. \*1/2 to Berkshire Rocco (Fr) (Sir Percy {GB}), SW & G1SP-Eng, \$185,953. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Amica Nostra (Ire)**, 121, f, 3, **Epaulette (Aus)**--Qenaa (GB), by Royal Applause (GB). O-Ross Wright & Emma Kennedy. B-William J. Kennedy (Ire). T-Jerome Reynier. €13,090.

3--**Santa Rita (Ity)**, 125, f, 4, **Jukebox Jury (Ire)**--**Sister Act (Ger)**, by Act One (GB). O-Stefano Botti. B-Dallera Albino (Ity). T-A. Botti. €7,140.

Margins: NO, 6, NK. Odds: 1.59, 3.25, 12.05.

Also Ran: Visions (Ire), Made In Italy (Ire), Agnes (Fr),

Presidential Sweet (Ity), Elle Memory (Ger).

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## EUROPEAN NEWS

### MEHMAS TIES IFFRAAJ AT 38 FIRST-CROP 2YO WINNERS

Tally-Ho Stud resident **Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}--Lucina {GB}, by Machiavellian) equaled Iffraaj (GB) (Zafonic)'s number of first-crop 2-year-old winners on Sunday, with **Power Under Me (Ire)** bringing up his 38th individual winner. The gelding, bred by Barbel Reiss and a €28,000 Goffs November weanling, won on debut over six furlongs at Naas. Always prominently placed, the Vincent Gaul colourbearer asserted late to win by 2 1/4 lengths over Coulthard (Ire) (Coulsty {Ire}).

Of Mehmas's 146 2-year-olds, 94 (64%) have started, and his winners to runners percentage stands at 26%. **Cont. p7**



**Power Under Me (right)**, is the 38th first-crop 2-year-old winner for his sire **Mehmas (Ire)** | [Racingfotos.com](#)

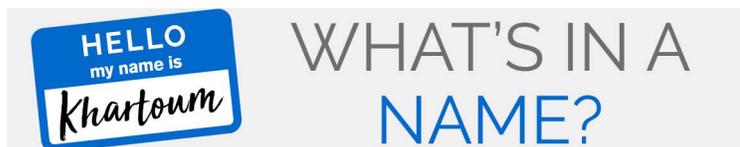
**Mehmas Cont.**

Clustered among his winning progeny are four black-type winners—G1 Middle Park S. and G2 Richmond S. hero Supremacy (Ire), G2 Gimcrack S. winner and Middle Park third Minzaal (Ire), Listed Julia Graves Roses S. victor Acklam Express (Ire) and Listed Rose Bowl S. and G3 Cornwallis S. third Method (Ire). Mehmas stood for €7,500 at Tally-Ho this season.

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So the name of this brilliant young winner is ingeniously linked to the one of his sire (also noteworthy for his creative spacing, or lack of it). The Egyptian theme was already very much present in the family with another son of mother Up, older brother and group competitor Monarch of Egypt, who is by—yes, you guessed right—American Pharoah.

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By Andrea Branchini

**1st-Curragh, €12,000, Mdn, 10-11, 2yo, 7fT, 1:31.20, sf. KHARTOUM (c, 2, Pioneerof the Nile--Up {Ire} {MGSW-Ire & G1SP-Fr, \$379,468}, by Galileo {Ire})** Sales history: \$1,000,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$10,165. O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Peter M Brant; B-Ran Jan Racing Inc (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien.

There is a lot of African geography in the background of 2-year-old **Khartoum** (Pioneerof the Nile–Up (Ire), by Galileo {Ire}). Khartoum, the capital of Sudan, is where the Blue Nile (from Lake Tana in Ethiopia) and the White Nile (from Lake Victoria) meet and unite, forming a greater river.

“From there [Khartoum], the Nile continues to flow north towards Egypt and the Mediterranean Sea,” states Wikipedia. The Nile is maybe the longest river in the world (the Amazon has a similar claim) and has always been very important to the agricultures of Sudan and Egypt.



Khartoum | Racingfotos.com

## FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

**Monday, Oct. 19, 2020:**

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Adaay (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Whitsbury Manor Stud  
 94 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners  
 13:15-PONTEFRACT, 8f, TIME FOR A GOOD UN (GB)  
 €31,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; 20,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 2

**Awtaad (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud  
 94 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner  
 13:45-PONTEFRACT, 35K THE ebfstallions.com SILVER TANKARD STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)8f, ROSEABAD (Ire)  
 40,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 45,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 1

**Charming Thought (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), Dalham Hall Stud  
 48 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners  
 19:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, COUNTRY CHARM (GB)  
 £8,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
 12:45-PONTEFRACT, 6f, PIVOTING (GB)  
 4,800gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3

**Coulsty (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Rathasker Stud  
 45 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners  
 13:15-PONTEFRACT, 8f, COUL KAT (Ire)  
 £15,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
 13:15-PONTEFRACT, 8f, DIAMOND HAZE (Ire)  
 €8,000 Tattersalls Ireland Flat Breeding Stock Sale 2018;  
 €11,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Kodi Bear (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Rathbarr Stud  
 83 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
 13:45-PONTEFRACT, 35K THE ebfstallions.com SILVER TANKARD STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)8f, MYSTERY ANGEL (Ire)  
 £13,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019;  
 22,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale 2020

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

146 foals of racing age/38 winners/4 black-type winners  
 13:30-WINDSOR, 5f, GOOD LISTENER (Ire)  
 €35,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; £50,000 Goffs UK  
 Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019

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

43 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
 19:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, FLORA'S AURA (GB)  
 £6,000 Goffs UK September HIT & Yearling Sale 2019  
 12:45-PONTEFRACT, 6f, FORBIDDEN SECRET (GB)  
 €12,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €15,000 Tattersalls  
 Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Twilight Son (GB)** (Kyllachy {GB}), Cheveley Park Stud

122 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
 13:15-PONTEFRACT, 8f, IN PARADISE (GB)  
 19:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, PLEINMONT (Ire)  
 6,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; €17,000  
 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Vadamos (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud

127 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
 19:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, SABRATHA (Ire)  
 €4,500 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019; 10,000gns  
 Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up Sale 2020

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

48 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners  
 1-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, MELANDROS (Fr)  
 €10,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019

**Exosphere (Aus)** (Lonhro {Aus}), Haras du Logis

31 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
 1-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, SPHERICAL (Fr)  
 €5,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2018 - English  
 Version; €14,000 Baden-Baden Sept. Yearling Sale 2019

**Isfahan (Ger)** (Lord of England {Ger}), Gestut Ohlerweiherhof

45 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
 3-LYON LA SOIE, 1800m, SISFAHAN (Fr)  
 €16,000 Arqana Deauville Autumn Mixed Sale 2019

**Scissor Kick (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), Haras d'Etreham

44 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
 4-LYON LA SOIE, 1800m, ANGELINO (Fr)  
 €8,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2018 - English  
 Version; €25,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019

**Vadamos (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud

127 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
 1-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, BOUVINES (Ire)  
 £3,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019



Prince of Lir is looking for a 14th winner in Ireland on Monday  
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**IRELAND****Awtaad (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud

94 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner  
 4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, CREATE BELIEF (Ire)  
 €12,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Belardo (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Kildangan Stud

93 foals of racing age/9 winners/3 black-type winners  
 4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, DISCO BOOTS (Ire)

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

77 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
 4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, ALICE KITTY (Ire)  
 €36,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2019

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

88 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners  
 3-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, DEVIOUS DREAMER (Ire)  
 €1,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019  
 1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, PERILOUS (Ire)

**Estidhkaar (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}), Tara Stud

106 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners  
 3-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, CAPTAIN ROCK (Ire)  
 €7,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €8,000 RNA  
 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Harzand (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}), Giltown Stud

70 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
 4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, PORT SUNLIGHT (Ire)

**Marcel (Ire)** (Lawman {Fr}), Anngrove Stud

20 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
 1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, CREATIVE MOJO (Ire)  
 €6,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

**Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud  
146 foals of racing age/38 winners/4 black-type winners  
4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, DHA LEATH (Ire)  
1,500gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018

**Parish Hall (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}), Redmondstown Stud  
24 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-GOWRAN PARK, 8f, HALLA RINCE (Ire)

**Pearl Secret (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}), Chapel Stud  
43 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, OUR SECRET PEARL (GB)  
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on the European racing scene

### BROTHER TO SERPENTINE UNVEILED AT GOWRAN

**3.05 Gowran Park, Mdn, €15,500, 2yo, 8fT**  
**KING OF THE CASTLE (IRE)** (**Galileo {Ire}**) is a full-brother to this year's G1 Epsom Derby hero Serpentine (Ire) who was the latest in a line of smart performers out of the G1 Epsom Oaks-placed Remember When (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Aidan O'Brien saddles the May-foaled chestnut, who is joined by the stable's **Roman Empire (Ire)** (**Galileo {Ire}**), a half-brother to the G1 Phoenix S. winner Sudirman (Henrythenavigator) who was fourth on debut here in July.

**3.35 Gowran Park, Mdn, €25,000, 2yo, f, 8fT**  
**MARTINIQUE (GB)** (**Le Havre {Ire}**) is another notable Ballydoyle newcomer on the card, being a 825,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate whose dam is the G2 Park Hill S. runner-up Phiz (Ger) (Galileo {Ire}). Related to the dual group winner Peace Royale (Ger) (Sholokhov {Ire}), the March-foaled bay tackles 13 rivals in this introduction.

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## BRITAIN

**Monday, Pontefract, post time: 1.45 p.m.**

**EBFSTALLIONS.COM SILVER TANKARD S.-Listed, £35,000, 2yo, 8f 6yT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	6	Naamoos (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Fanning	Johnston
2	7	Pythagoras (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Hanagan	Fahey
3	2	The Rosstafarian (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	J Doyle	Palmer
4	5	Iconic Queen (GB)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Bentley	Beckett
5	4	Mystery Angel (Ire)	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Curtis	Boughey
6	3	Percy's Pride (Ire)	Sir Percy (GB)	Shepherd	Knight
7	1	Roseabad (Ire)	Awtaad (Ire)	Norton	Johnston

All carry 124 pounds bar Naamoos, Pythagoras & The Rosstafarian, 129.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Aim For the Stars (GB)**, f, 3, **Muhaarar (GB)**--Bright Approach (Ire) (SP-Eng), by New Approach (Ire). 8<sup>th</sup>-Wolverhampton, 10-17, 9f 104y (AWT), 1:59.76. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (GB). \*72,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT.

## IRELAND

**Sunday's Results:**

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF GARNET S.-Listed, €47,500, Naas, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 8fT, 1:45.75, sf.**

**1--PARENT'S PRAYER (IRE), 128, f, 3, by Kingman (GB)**

**1st Dam: Pure Excellence (GB) (SW-Eng),  
by Exceed and Excel (Aus)**

**2nd Dam: Albavilla (GB), by Spectrum (Ire)**

**3rd Dam: Lydia Maria (GB), by Dancing Brave**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (€165,000 2yo '19 TATGOR). O-Ecurie Ama.Zing Team; B-Sun Kingdom Pty Ltd (IRE); T-Archie Watson; J-Ben Coen. €28,500. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 5-2-1-1, \$45,233. \*27th SW for her sire (by Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

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(DH) **2--Stormy Belle (Ire)**, 131, m, 6, Dandy Man (Ire)--Herrera (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). (€2,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; €4,500

RNA Ylg '15 TISEP; €9,000 2yo '16 GBMBR). O-P C Byrne; B-David Webb (IRE); T-Pat Fahy. €9,500.

(DH) **2--Best on Stage (Ger)**, 131, f, 4, Pastorius (Ger)--Best Moving (Ger), by Reset (Aus). (€16,000 Ylg '17 BBAGS; €120,000 HRA '19 ARQDE). O-Emma Kennedy; B-Gestut Riepegrund (GER); T-Paddy Twomey. €9,500.

Margins: 3, NK, NK. Odds: 12.00, 80.00 & 8.00.

Also Ran: Secret Pulse (Ire), Darkest (Ire), Apricot Moon (GB),

Simply A Breeze (Ire), Soul Search (Ire), Etneya (Ire), Elfin Queen, Salsa (Ire), Celestial Object (Ire), Faire Croire (Ire), Holy Roman Empress (Ire). Scratched: A New Dawn (Ire), Insinuendo (Ire), Tasalka (Ire).

Capping a stellar weekend for the Archie Watson stable, the lightly-raced Parent's Prayer proved her third placing in the G3 Fairy Bridge S. at Gowran Park Sept. 2 to be no fluke with a first black-type success here. Held up towards the back early having missed the break, the bay moved ominously well between rivals on the home turn before hitting the front passing two out and staying on strongly to the line.

"She's done it well. She loved the ground and travelled through the race very easily," jockey Ben Coen said. "She picked up well at the two pole and I probably got there too soon. She was getting a bit lonely, but she toughed it out to be fair. She loves that ground and that is probably her ideal trip."

Parent's Prayer's dam is the Listed Montrose Fillies' S. winner Pure Excellence, who descends from the G1 Yorkshire Oaks and G2 Nassau S. heroine Connaught Bridge (Ire) (Connaught {GB}). From the family of the G1 Middle Park S. hero Primo Valentino (GB) (Primo Dominie {GB}), she has the unraced 2-year-old colt Medway (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}) to follow. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#).**



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**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BLUEBELL S.-Listed**, €47,500, Naas, 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 11f 190yT, 2:39.92, sf.

1--**BARRINGTON COURT (IRE)**, 134, m, 6, **Mastercraftsman (Ire)** --**Arabian Hideway (Ire)**, by **Desert Prince (Ire)**. **1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (€32,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; €34,000 RNA Ylg '15 GOFORB; €100,000 RNA HRA '18 GPUNCH). O-John P McManus; B-Las Pampas Polo Team (IRE); T-Jessie Harrington; J-Shane Foley. €28,500. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 15-5-5-2, \$122,179. \*74th SW for her sire (by Danehill Dancer {Ire}).  
2--**Snapraiceps (Ire)**, 134, f, 4, Canford Cliffs (Ire)--Snap Alam (Ire), by Alamshar (Ire). O/B-J P Farrell (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien.

€9,500.

3--**Yaxeni (Fr)**, 129, f, 3, Maxios (GB)--Kithonia (Fr), by Sadler's Wells. (€8,000 Ylg '18 GOFFEB). O-SBA Racing Limited; B-Famille Niarchos (FR); T-Ger Lyons. €4,750.

Margins: 1HF, 4HF, NK. Odds: 1.88, 11.00, 5.50.

Also Ran: Mighty Blue (Fr), Sagrada Familia (GB), Shamiyna (Ire), Starlight Dream (Ire), Tashi (Ire), Prose (Ire), Lugnaquilla (Ire), Cerro Bayo (Ire), Ennistymon (Ire), Oh So True, Wilderness (GB). Scratched: Elizabethofaragon (Ire).

Useful in bumpers and over hurdles under the other code, Barrington Court who sports the famous national hunt silks of J. P. McManus has proven a force to be reckoned with since being switched to the level. Following a seven-length maiden win at Bellewstown Aug. 27 with a second to the subsequent G1 Prix du Cadran heroine Princess Zoe (Ger) (Jukebox Jury {Ire}) in the Listed Oyster S. over 12 furlongs at Galway Sept. 8, the chestnut was again runner-up in the G3 Loughbrown S. over two miles at The Curragh last time Sept. 27. Settled under cover early worse than mid-division, she was able to cruise into contention from the top of the straight and was ahead of her only serious rival Snapraiceps a furlong from home before her excess stamina kicked in.

"Soft ground doesn't seem to worry her, whether she goes two miles or a mile and a half. She would probably have enough speed for a mile and a quarter," trainer Jessica Harrington explained. "She may come back here for the [Listed] Finale Stakes [Nov. 7]. I don't think she will go back over hurdles, as every time she runs she hurts herself."

Barrington Court is the last foal out of the unraced dam, who is a full-sister to the G3 Solario S. winner Foss Way (Ire) and a half to the Singapore champion Chevron (Ire) (Medicean {GB}). The third dam is the Listed Prix du Cercle runner-up Blushing Away (Blushing Groom {Fr}), whose three group winners are headed by the G2 Prix du Muguet hero and dual G1 Prix du Moulin de Longchamp runner-up and sire Gold Away (Ire) (Goldneyev) and the G3 Prix Perth winner Danzigaway (Danehill). She is in turn the dam of the GII Commonwealth Breeders' Cup and GII Acadia H. hero Silent Name (Jpn) (Sunday Silence) and the listed-winning sire Galiway (GB) (Galileo {Ire}). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#).**

**4th-Naas**, €120,000, Cond, 10-18, 2yo, 7fT, 1:31.66, sf. **ECLIPTICAL (IRE) (c, 2, Elzaam {Aus})--Vocal {GB}**, by **Singspiel {Ire}**, who warmed up for this valuable "Foran Equine Irish EBF Auction Race Final" with a win over an extended seven furlongs at Bellewstown Aug. 26, was anchored in last early by a confident Colin Keane. Delivered with unerring accuracy down the outer in the final two furlongs, the 9-2 second favourite picked up in impressive fashion to strike the front 100 yards from the line and readily assert for a 1 1/4-length verdict over The Blue Panther (Ire) (Buratino {Ire}). **Cont. p11**

## 4th-Naas Cont.

“He was a horse that Vincent Gaul bought earlier this year from Sean Jones and David Spratt to replace Indicative Vote, who was second in a Group 3 at Dundalk,” Shane Lyons explained. “When he won in Bellewstown, the plan was to go for this race. He wants a mile, but we thought with the bit of cut in the ground this would suit. He’ll be a lovely horse next year, is all heart and showed there that he has a touch of class as well. He was drawn 16, Colin dropped him in and to be able to come from last to first you have to be good. All credit to Foran for sponsoring this race. It’s a massive incentive for owners and trainers to go for these races with a great pot on offer.” The winner is the only foal to race for the dam, who failed to make the track herself but is a half to the G1 Pretty Polly S. winner and G1 Champion S. runner-up Chorist (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), in turn the dam of the G2 Yorkshire Cup and G2 Jockey Club S. scorer Gospel Choir (GB) (Galileo {Ire}). Sales history: €18,000 Ylg ‘19 TIRSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$98,343. O-Vincent Gaul; B-Coleman Bloodstock Limited (IRE); T-Ger Lyons.

**2nd-Naas, €15,500, Mdn, 10-18, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:15.64, sf.**

**ELIZABETHAN (f, 2, War Front--Misty For Me {Ire} {Hwt. 2yo Filly-Fr & Ire, Hwt. 3yo-Ire at 9.5-11f, MG1SW-Ire, G1SW-Fr & GISP-US, \$1,124,364}, by Galileo {Ire}),** a Sept. 17 last-out third over course and distance, headed the stands’ side group in an overall fifth after an alert getaway in this one. Powering to the front just inside the two pole, the 10-3 second choice was rowed along approaching the final eighth and kept on strongly to easily account for Elanora (Ire) (No Nay Never) by 1 1/4 lengths. “She’s had some lovely runs and is progressing slowly,” said winning rider Seamus Heffernan. Elizabethan becomes the fourth winner for MG1SW distaffer Misty For Me (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), herself a full-sister to G1 Prix Marcel Boussac victress Ballydoyle (Ire), and the March-foaled bay is a full to the MG1SW duo U S Navy Flag and Roly Poly. Misty For Me, who was bred to Justify this year, has also produced GIII Autumn Miss S. victress Cover Song (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and a yearling filly by War Front. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$13,463.

O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Susan Magnier; B-Orpendale, Chelston & Wynatt (KY); T-Aidan O’Brien.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Power Under Me (Ire), g, 2, Mehmas (Ire)--Oonagh (Ire),** by Arakan. Naas, 10-18, 6fT, 1:15.25. B-Ms Barbel Reiss (IRE). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*38th winner for freshman sire (by Acclamation {GB}). \*\*\*€28,000 Wlg ‘18 GOFNOV.

## FRANCE

### Sunday’s Result:

**4th-Toulouse, €22,000, Cond, 10-18, 2yo, 8fT, 1:46.60, hy. ROCKET SONG (FR) (c, 2, Dream Ahead--Sister Agnes {Ire}, by Dr Fong),** who was off the mark at Mont-de-Marsan Sept. 19, broke alertly to bag the rail and the early advantage. Sticking to his task up the straight, the 17-5 shot held off allcomers and had 3/4 of a length to spare over Jasmin Dore (Fr) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) at the line. The winner is the last known foal of the dam, who is also responsible for the Listed Prix Policeman runner-up Snap Call (GB) (Tamayuz {GB}). The second dam is the Listed Galtres S. winner and G3 Park Hill S. runner-up Nibbs Point (Ire) (Sure Blade), who produced the G3 Brigadier Gerard S. winner and G1 2000 Guineas-placed Border Arrow (GB) (Selkirk) and is kin to the dam of the GIII Boiling Springs Breeders’ Cup H. winner and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas third Storm Dream (Ire) (Catrail). Sales history: €25,000 Ylg ‘19 AROCT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, €23,300. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Team Valor International & Anant Singh; B-SCEA des Pres Verts (FR); T-Didier Guillemin.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

**Calliope (Fr), f, 3, Diamond Green (Fr)--Celendine (GB),** by Oratorio (Ire). Toulouse, 10-18, 10fT, 2:16.30. B-M Daguzan-Garros (FR). \*€10,000 RNA HRA ‘19 ARNOV.

## GERMANY

### Sunday’s Results:

**4th-Baden-Baden, €200,000, Cond, 10-18, 2yo, 7fT, 1:29.41, sf. PRINCIPE (GER) (c, 2, Free Eagle {Ire}--Paraisa {GB} {SW & MGSP-Ger}, by Red Ransom),** a Sept. 19 debut runner-up over this trip at Hoppegarten last time, was off the pace under cover through halfway in this valuable Ferdinand Leisten Memorial. Roused into action soon after turning for home, the 27-10 pick was ridden to the front with 150 metres remaining and powered clear from there to prevail by an impressive five lengths from Sledge Hammer (Fr) (Pastorius {Ger}). He becomes the second scorer for stakes-winning G3 Preis der Winterkonigin and G3 Schwarzgold-Rennen runner-up Paraisa (GB) (Red Ransom), herself a half-sister to G1 Premio Roma hero Potemkin (Ger) (New Approach {Ire}). The February-foaled bay is half to a yearling colt by Kodiak (GB). Sales history: €125,000 Ylg ‘19 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €101,000.

O-Klaus Allofs & Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof; B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER); T-Andreas Wohler.

**1st-Baden-Baden, €6,300, Mdn, 10-18, 2yo, 8ft, 1:45.27, sf.**

**WIESENTAU (GB) (c, 2, Mukhadram {GB}--Wurfscheibe {Ger} {Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 11-14f & MGSW-Ger, \$168,943}, by Tiger Hill {Ire})** tracked the leaders in a handy fifth from the outset of this debut. Angled to the outside with 350 metres remaining, the 47-10 chance quickened to challenge entering the final furlong and was pushed out in the closing stages to deny Quizzer (Ire) (Helmet {Aus}) by an ultimately comfortable neck margin. He becomes the fourth scorer from as many runners produced by three-time German Group 3 victress Wurfscheibe (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}) and the homebred bay is kin to G3 Premio Guido Berardelli winner Wiesenbach (GB) (Jukebox Jury {Ire}), a yearling colt by Farhh (GB) and the dam of Listed Prix du Cercle third Wayatos (Fr) (Maxios {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €3,150.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Gestut Ravensberg (GER); T-Andreas Wohler.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Minotauros (Fr), c, 3, Tiberius Caesar (Fr)--Mary Martins (Ire),** by Orpen. Baden-Baden, 10-18, 9ft, 1:58.59. B-Helmut Volz (FR). \*SP-Ger. \*\*1/2 to Saratoga Black (Ire) (Pyrus), GSW & G1SP-Ity, \$345,854; and Warder (Ire) (Ivan Denisovich {Ire}), SW-Ity.

## ITALY

#### Sunday's Result:

#### FIRST STAKES WINNER FOR SIRE

**PREMIO UBALDO PANDOLFI-Listed, €42,900, Rome, 10-18, 2yo, f, 1200mT, 1:12.74.**

1--**FULGENTIA (GB), 121, f, 2, Territories (Ire)**

**1st Dam: India Spirit (GB), by Dr Fong**

**2nd Dam: Gino's Spirits (GB), by Perugino**

**3rd Dam: Rising Spirits (Ire), by Cure the Blues**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (£6,000 Ylg '19 GOFAUG). O-Davide Livermore. B-Star Cottage Stud (GB). T-Grizzetti Galoppo SRL. J-Pasqual Borrelli. €16,575. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, €31,335.

\*1st SW & 15th winner for her sire (by Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

2--**Virgin Isla (Ire), 121, f, 2, Mehmas (Ire)--Virgin Queen (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB).** (€10,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV; €24,000 Ylg '19 SGASEP). O-Leonardo Ciampoli. B-Azienda Agricola Allevamento Deni (Ire). T-Grizzetti Galoppo SRL. €7,293.

3--**Sunshine Day (Ity), 121, f, 2, Arcano (Ire)--Touch of Light (Ire),** by Xaar (GB). O/B-Effevi SRL (Ity). T-A. Botti. €3,978.

Margins: 2 1/4, 2HF, 3/4. Odds: 10.26, 17.90, 1.14.

Also Ran: Alderamin (Ire), Bias Power (GB), Meine Stute (GB), Donnafugata (Ire), Permetti (GB), Puerto Princesa (Ire), Sliding Woman (Ire).

**PREMIO CAMPOBELLO-Listed, €42,900, Milan, 10-18, 2yo, 1800mT, 1:59.50.**

1--**SOPRAN POSEIDONE (IRE), 121, c, 2, Gutaifan (Ire)**

**1st Dam: Ms Sasha Malia (Ire), by Verglas (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Ostwahl (Ire), by Waajib (Ire)**

**3rd Dam: Ostkonigin (Ger), by Alpenkonig (Ger)**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (€22,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV).

O-Leonardo Ciampoli. B-Miss Eileen Farrelly (Ire). T-Grizzetti Galoppo SRL. J-Gerard Mosse'. €16,575. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ity, 3-3-0-0, €32,575. \*3rd SW for his sire (by Dark Angel {Ire}).

2--**Bell'imbusto (GB), 121, c, 2, Helmet (Aus)--Just One Kiss (GB),** Cape Cross (Ire). (5,000gns Wlg '18 TATDEC). O-Gaetano Ledda. B-Lordship Stud (GB). T-A. Botti. €7,293.

3--**Sens of Emperor (Ire), 118, f, 2, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--** Sense of Victory (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). (€7,000 Ylg '19 TATSEP). O-Stefano Botti. B-Kevin Blake (Ire). T-A. Botti. €3,978.

Margins: 3 1/4, 4, NK. Odds: 0.82, 1.68, 8.07.

Also Ran: Dark Foundation (Ity), Sopran Tucano (Ire).

## SWEDEN

#### Sunday's Results:

**STOCKHOLM FILLIES & MARES S.-Listed, SKr332,000, Bro Park,** 10-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 10 1/2ft, 2:13.80, gd.

1--**QUEEN ROUGE (DEN), 130, f, 4, Lord of England (Ger)--**

**Tolerate (GB), by Dubawi (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Mme M Fernande; B-Stutteri Hjortebo (DEN); T-Marc Stott; J-Oliver Wilson. SKr166,000. Lifetime Record: 15-10-4-1, SKr4,211,610. \*19th SW for her sire (by Dashing Blade {GB}).

2--**Silverstone (Den), 130, f, 4, Pistachio (GB)--Loquita (Den), by** Final Appearance (Ire). O-BS Racing; B-Bechmann Racing; T-Niels Petersen. SKr83,000.

3--**Zahara (Ger), 130, m, 5, Nayef--Zegna (Ger), by Shirocco** (Ger). (€36,000 Ylg '16 BBAGS). O-Mr Ascot; B-Graf & Graf von Stauffenberg (GER); T-Wido Neuroth. SKr39,840.

Margins: 6, 2HF, HF. Odds: 0.73, 13.88, 33.80.

Also Ran: Margrethe (Den), Eesha My Flower, Swan Black (Den), For the Roses (Swe), Freed From Desire (GB), Rapidash (GB), High As A Kite (Fr), Powerpoint (Swe), In Vero We Trust (Fr). Scratched: Saltie Girl (GB).

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## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### TRIPLE TIARA FOR DARING TACT IN SHUKA SHO

Normandy Thoroughbred Racing's **Daring Tact (Jpn)** (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) became the first undefeated Japanese Filly Triple Crown Winner with a 1 1/4-length score in the G1 Shuka Sho (Japanese Fillies' St. Leger) at Kyoto on Sunday. Cutting back in trip to 2000 metres, the dark bay is the sixth winner of that prestigious hat trick after Mogami (Fr) (Lyphard) (1986), Still in Love (Jpn) (Sunday Silence) (2003), Apapane (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) (2010), Gentildonna (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) (2012), and Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) (2018).

Sent off favoured at 40 cents on the dollar, Daring Tact gradually worked toward the fence as the gates flew from stall 13. **Maltese Diosa (Jpn)** (Kizuna {Jpn}) led them into the first turn while shadowed by **Ho O Peaceful (Jpn)** (Orfevre {Jpn}) and **Miyamazakura (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}). Still three paths off the inside and well back in the field on the backstretch, the pace was hot up front as Maltese Diosa came under pressure from that aforementioned duo, with the first 1000 metres in :59.40.

Already rallying sharply toward the vanguard 900 metres from home, Daring Tact was within a few lengths of the lead still held by Maltese Diosa with three furlongs to cover as the field began to bunch on the far turn. Maltese Diosa hung tough and maintained a narrow advantage until the final 200 metres, but Daring Tact was gobbling up ground with **Magic Castle (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) to her inside flashing a similar turn of foot. That duo blew past the longtime leader late, with Daring Tact always holding her rival safe. It was another 3/4 of a length back to **Soft Fruit (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), who was slow to begin. Maltese Diosa tired to seventh. Sunday's card was the first time limited fans had been permitted to the racecourse.

"The filly seemed a bit nervous at the paddock but she broke well and we were able to race in good position and in good rhythm," said winning rider Kohei Matsuyama. "There was some pressure as we were aiming for the first undefeated Triple Crown filly in JRA history, but I'm delighted to be able to accomplish this remarkable feat. I want to thank the filly and offer her my congratulations. She has developed into a bold filly and I hope that she will remain undefeated."

Trainer Haruki Sugiyama and Matsuyama both celebrated their fourth Japanese Group 1 victory, while their star is possible for the Nov. 29 Japan Cup.

Not seen on the racecourse until November of her juvenile year, Daring Tact found 1600 metres at Kyoto to her liking at first asking, and added the Listed Elfin S. over that course and

distance on Feb. 8. She stepped up again with a victory in the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) at Hanshin on Apr. 12, and, tried over 2400 metres for the first time, demolished her rivals with a victory in the May 24 G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) at Tokyo. That was her final appearance prior to her victory on Sunday.



Daring Tact | JRA photo

### Pedigree Notes

The lone Group 1 winner for her sire, Daring Tact is the second and best foal from Daring Bird. Her juvenile full-sister Maono Zenith (Jpn) (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) has placed in one start, and the duo share a yearling full-sister and a Drefong weanling half-sister foaled May 24. The second dam is G3 Fuchu Himba S. heroine Daring Heart (Jpn) (Sunday Silence), who is a half-sister to GI Super Derby hero Ecton Park (Forty Niner), and Japanese Group 3 winner Pit Fighter (Jpn) (Pulpit). This is also the extended family of Grade I winners Banker's Lady (Nijinski II), her son Banker's Gold (Forty Niner), and GI Jenny Wiley S. victress Daisy Devine (Kafwain).

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### Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

**SHUKA SHO-G1**, ¥195,460,000

(US\$1,854,380/£1,435,735/€1,582,866), Kyoto, 10-18, 3yo, f, 2000mT, 2:00.60, gd.

1--**DARING TACT(JPN)**, 121, f, 2, 3, by Epiphaneia (Jpn)

1st Dam: **Daring Bird (Jpn)**, by King Kamehameha (Jpn)

2nd Dam: **Daring Heart (Jpn)**, by Sunday Silence

3rd Dam: **Daring Danzig**, by Danzig

(¥12,000,000 Ylg '18 JRHAJUL). O- Normandy Thoroughbred Racing; B-Hasegawa Farm (Jpn); T-Haruki Sugiyama; J-Kohei Matsuyama. ¥103,822,000. Lifetime Record: 5-5-0-0. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

**2--Magic Castle (Jpn), 121, f, 3, Deep Impact (Jpn)**

**1st Dam: So Magic (Jpn), by Symboli Kris S.**

**2nd Dam: Xua (Ire), by Fairy King**

**3rd Dam: Bold Starlet (GB), by Precocious (GB)**

O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥41,092,000.

**3--Soft Fruit (Jpn), 121, f, 3, Deep Impact (Jpn)**

**1st Dam: Strawberry Fair (GB), by Kingmambo**

**2nd Dam: Storm Song, by Summer Squall**

**3rd Dam: Hum Along, by Fappiano**

O-Godolphin; B-Darley Japan Farm (Jpn); ¥25,546,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, NO. Odds: 0.40, 55.90, 53.70.

Also Ran: Pallas Athena (Jpn), Miss New York (Jpn), Oh My Darling (Jpn), Maltese Diosa (Jpn), Musica (Jpn), Win Mighty (Jpn), Fiori Chiari (Jpn), Ablaze (Jpn), Dantsu Elise (Jpn), Ria Amelia (Jpn), Miyamazakura (Jpn), Win Marilyn (Jpn), Sanctuaire (Jpn), Cravache d'Or (Jpn), Ho O Peaceful (Jpn).

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**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong**

**ORIENTAL VASE SHA TIN TROPHY H.-G2**, HK\$4,500,000 (£449,537/€495,597/A\$819,962/US\$580,618), Sha Tin, 10-18, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:33.37, gd/fm.

**1--GOLDEN SIXTY (AUS), 123, g, 5, by Medaglia d'Oro**

**1st Dam: Gaudeamus (GSW-Ire, \$179,846),**

**by Distorted Humor**

**2nd Dam: Leo's Lucky Lady, by Seattle Slew**

**3rd Dam: Konafa, by Damascus**

(A\$120,000 Ylg '17 MMGCYS; NZ\$300,000 2yo '17 NZBRTR). O-Stanley Chan Ka Leung; B-Asco International Pty Ltd (Qld); T-Francis Lui; J-Vincent Ho; HK\$2,565,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. 4yo-HK, 13-12-0-0, HK\$36,130,600. \*1/2 to Igitur (Aus) (Helmet {Aus}), SP-Aus, \$120,093. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ \*Triple Plus\***. **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).**

**2--Ka Ying Star (GB), 126, g, 5, Cityscape (GB)--Casual Gance (GB), by Sinnadar (Ire).** O-Leung Shek Kong; B-Kingsclere Stud; T-Tony Cruz; J-Chad Schofield; HK\$990,000.

**3--Southern Legend (Aus), 128, g, 8, Not A Single Doubt (Aus)--Donna's Appeal (Aus), by Carnegie (Ire).** (A\$280,000 Ylg '14 INGEAS). O-Boniface Ho Ka Kui; B-Corumbene Stud (NSW); T-Caspar Fownes; J-Karis Teetan; HK\$517,500.

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Margins: HF, 1 3/4, NK. Odds: 3-10, 45-1, 17-1.

Also Ran: Champion's Way (Aus), Dances With Dragon (NZ), Beauty Generation (NZ), Chefano (SAf), Singapore Sling (SAf), Fast Most Furious (Ire), Harmony Victory (Brz), Furore (NZ), Playa del Puente (Ire).

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**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong**

**PREMIER BOWL H.-G2**, HK\$4,500,000 (£449,537/€495,597/A\$819,962/US\$580,618), Sha Tin, 10-18, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:07.89, gd/fm.

**1--WISHFUL THINKER (AUS), 120, g, 7, by I Am Invincible (Aus)**

**1st Dam: Zebithea (Aus), by Barathea (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Zebilena (NZ), by Zabeel**

**3rd Dam: Darling Order (NZ), by Indian Order (GB)**

**1ST STAKES WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** (A\$80,000 Ylg '15 MMMAR; A\$120,000 RNA 2yo '15 INGRTR). O-Ideal Brilliance Stable; B-J Davies (Qld); T-Dennis Yip; J-Derek Leung; HK\$2,565,000. Lifetime Record: 34-9-1-8, HK\$15,444,545.

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**2--Computer Patch (Aus), 117, r, 4, Exceed and Excel (Aus)--Girl Hussler (Aus), by Hussonet.** (A\$800,000 Ylg '18 INGEAS).

O-Yeung Kin Man; B-Segenhoe Thoroughbreds Australia Pty Ltd (NSW); T-Tony Cruz; J-Karis Teetan; HK\$990,000.

**3--Rattan (NZ), 119, g, 7, Savabeel (Aus)--Grand Princess (Aus), by Last Tycoon (Ire).** (NZ\$150,000 Ylg '15 NZBJAN). O-Wong Ting Bor; B-M H S & S H R Davison & Mrs M P Schick; T-Richard Gibson; J-Antoine Hamelin; HK\$517,500.

Margins: SHD, 2, NK. Odds: 44-1, 12-5, 30-1.

Also Ran: Hot King Prawn (Aus), Big Party (Aus), Voyage Warrior (Aus), Perfect Match (Aus).

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## CLASSIQUE LEGEND SET FOR HONG KONG



**Classique Legend with Kerrin McEvoy | Ashlea Brennan**

by Bren O'Brien

Carmel Size has reflected on **Classique Legend's** (Not A Single Doubt) ascension to Australia's richest prize, The Everest, with equal measures of heartbreak and pride.

A lifetime working with horses has taught Size a lot about connection, but she was never quite prepared for the conflicting emotions she felt as Classique Legend, the horse she selected as a yearling and has pretty much spent every available moment with since, crossed the line well clear of his rivals in Saturday's \$15-million race at Randwick.

"It was the greatest highlight and yet maybe the greatest lowlight," Size told *TDN AusNZ*.

Size, who purchased Classique Legend for Hong Kong-based owner Bon Ho at the 2017 Inglis Classic Yearling Sale from his breeders at Tyreel Stud, has managed the relationship between Ho and her employer, trainer Les Bridge, and was the mastermind behind the plan for Ho to target the grey son of Not A Single Doubt at The Everest.

Ho purchased a slot in The Everest with one thing in mind, to win the race with Classique Legend. At his second attempt on Saturday, he achieved that goal in emphatic fashion.

But the 5-year-old's success means that Australia won't hold Ho's ambition for the horse, and he will leave Size and Bridge's care on Monday to head to Hong Kong, where he will be trained by Caspar Fownes.

At least twice before Size had convinced Ho to keep Classique Legend in Australia, including once when he was on board a plane ready to leave, but with plans to race in Dubai, Japan and Hong Kong, Ho confirmed last week that her horse of a lifetime would be leaving Australia.

It changed the complexion on Saturday's race, and while she admits she was much better at handling the expectation of The Everest second time around, the looming farewell to Classique Legend hung over her throughout the day.

"We had the advantage of the dress rehearsal last year. We managed our emotions a bit better this year because we knew what to expect. It was a bit bittersweet because we had the news that the horse will be moving to Hong Kong tomorrow. We went with heavy hearts," she said.

"Since he first came to our stable as a baby, he's been in my life. I've worried over him, I've nursed him, I've taught him to be a gentleman. He's everything I ever wanted in a horse."

Size's devotion to Classique Legend in her role at Bridge's stables has become a major part of the story of the horse's emergence to stardom. He was the first horse she checked in on as she entered the stables at 2:15 a.m., and he was the last she would say goodbye to when she left.

Every step of the journey, she was there, working with Bridge to coax the powerful grey to his full potential.



**Carmel Size with Les Bridge | TDN AusNZ**

"It's something you can not put into words. It is a connection. From the minute I saw him, he was going to come home with me, regardless of if my client had said I'd paid too much for him," she said. "If that had happened, I would have been selling where I live to buy him myself. Maybe there's a tinge of regret I didn't do that now."

### *Global Plans End the Dream for Size*

Ho's decision to move the horse to Hong Kong may not be a surprise, but it has still left Size heartbroken. Ho told reporters over the weekend that he felt Hong Kong would be a much better base for Classique Legend going forward considering he wants to race him across the world in the next year before bringing him back to Australia to contest The Everest once again under Fownes's care. He also said it was the last chance he could bring the horse to Hong Kong to train under Hong Kong Jockey

Club regulations.

Interestingly, Fownes, who prepares Southern Legend (Not A Single Doubt) for Ho, also trains Classique Legend's talented half-brother **Aethero** (Sebring) as well for Andrea Tien and Arthur Cheng.

Knowing Ho was not going to change his mind, Size focussed on helping Bridge get Classique Legend ready for his farewell assignment. It was three days out from the race that it became clear to her that it would take something special to beat him on Saturday.

"I was looking at him in his yard just before we saddled him on Wednesday of this week, and I've seen him every day for every preparation he has had for us, and I've never seen him so muscular. If he was a bodybuilder, he would have been winning world championships," she said.



Classique Legend after saluting in The Everest | Ashlea Brennan

"I saw that in him when I selected him as a yearling. He always had that swagger. I did question myself during his 2-year-old year, because he went backwards, but Les has always told me that a standout yearling will always come back to what it was on type in time.

"Everything about him was just perfect leading into the race. Les was extremely buoyant, but I couldn't go down that path, because I was a bundle of nerves, so I just carried on like we were going to a country meeting and blocked everything out."

The race itself evolved as well as Bridge and Size could have hoped. Eduardo (Host {Chi}) set a breakneck speed ahead of Nature Strip (Nicconi), with Classique Legend able to camp back off the pace further back in the field.

As the field turned for home, and Kerrin McEvoy asked Classique Legend for his effort, there was never really going to be any other horse win the race. In the end, he had 2.5l to spare over Bivouac (Exceed And Excel) and Gytrash (Lope De Vega {Ire}).

"That's his pattern of racing for sure. The speed on, and for him to get buried and have one last shot at them," Size said. "What impressed me yesterday is that he had to make his run from a long way out. In The Shorts, he sprinted quickly for a shorter distance, whereas yesterday, he was able to sustain that for longer. He's a very versatile horse."

### **Life After Legend**

Life after Classique Legend is not something Size really wants to contemplate just yet, but she will maintain her work with Bridge, who she described as a terrific mentor, and work out what is next.

"I will still be working for Les and running the racing stable, I have a huge obligation to the horses that are in training and the staff. I still clock on at 2:15 every morning and we have all the horses ready to leave for training at 3:45. There's a lot of things I am responsible for," she said. "I perhaps would dearly love to train in my own right but there are lots of trainers out there, I don't know really. I just don't know at the moment.

"For the immediate future, I'll see through my obligations with Les, and we still train horses for Mr. Ho, including a promising one in All Time Legend."

As for her enduring memory of Saturday, Size said if there had to be an end to her time with Classique Legend, there was no better way to do it.

"If you are going out with a bang, you might as well slam the door shut," she said. "At least I can hang my hat on buying a very good horse."



#### **IN HONG KONG:**

**Golden Sixty**, g, 5, **Medaglia d'Oro (USA)**. See 'TDN Europe--Asia.'

**Wishful Thinker**, g, 7, **I Am Invincible**. See 'TDN Europe--Asia.'



#### **IN HONG KONG:**

**Winning Dreamer**, g, 4, **Deep Field (Aus)**--Markisa (GSP-NZ), by Danehill (USA). Sha Tin, 10-18, Hcp. (NZ\$293k), 1200m, 1:08.96. B-Goodson & Perron Family Trust. \*Remained undefeated in four starts. \*\*1/2 to Ocean Jewel (Aus) (Ocean Park), SW-Aus, US\$145,368. \*\*\*NZ\$300,000 Ylg '18 NZBJAN.

#### **VIDEO**

**Will Power**, g, 5, **Power (GB)**--Lilahjay, by Tavistock. Sha Tin, 10-18, Hcp. (NZ\$430k), 1200m (AWT), 1:08.40. B-Mrs M A G & R I Johnson. \*NZ\$80,000 Ylg '17 NZBFEB. **VIDEO**

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