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FASIG-TIPTON OCTOBER SALE CONCLUDES



Session-topping Hip 1398 in the ring | Fasig-Tipton

by Jessica Martini

LEXINGTON, KY - The Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October Yearlings Sale--and the yearling sales season--concluded Thursday in Lexington with the market continuing to show resilience despite a plethora of worldwide uncertainties.

Through four sessions, 961 yearlings grossed \$32,743,700. The average of \$34,073 was down 10.2% from last year's sale-record mark of \$37,955. The median of \$15,000 rose 15.4% from the 2019 figure of \$13,000. With 265 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 21.6%. It was 24.5% a year ago.

"All in all, I think it has to be considered a successful week," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning Thursday evening. "If someone would have told me at the beginning of the week, or the beginning of the month, or certainly three months ago that the average would be down 10% and the median would be up 15% and the RNA rate would decline, I would have signed up for that immediately with no hesitation whatsoever. It was a legitimate market for four days. The buyers who were trying to buy the perceived better type horses said it was very difficult to buy. There was lots of competition for those horses. We are not going to sit here and say everything is lovely. Anytime a sale has a median of \$15,000, it's tough to make money. The economics of raising a yearling means there were a lot of unprofitable yearlings in this sale. But I think that's been the case for several years." *Cont. p3*

TURFWAY CONSTRUCTION HALTED UNTIL KY CLEARS UP HISTORICAL RACING AMBIGUITY; KY DERBY RETURNS TO MAY IN '21

by T.D. Thornton

Turfway Park's new grandstand and historical racing machine (HRM) facility won't get built until the state of Kentucky clears up the ambiguity surrounding the apparent illegality of that form of video gambling, which contributes tens of millions of dollars annually to purses in the state.

That news was delivered by Bill Carstanjen, chief executive officer of Churchill Downs, Inc. (CDI), in an Oct. 29 third-quarter earnings call with investors. *Cont. p8*

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A GRADE I PRODUCER IN FOAL TO WAR FRONT, TENSAS WEDDING JOY TO SELL AT FASIG-TIPTON NOVEMBER

Tensas Wedding Joy (Broken Vow) has already proved herself as a broodmare. Hip 219 in the Fasig-Tipton

November sale, she is the dam of Big World (Custom for Carlos), the winner of the GI La Troienne S in 2017, as well as the GIII Tempted S. in 2015. Big World was not just good, she was versatile and durable. She won stakes during her 2, 3 and 4-year-old years and won sprinting and going a route of ground.

Tensas Wedding Joy is also the dam of Gracida (Custom for Carlos), who is stakes placed.

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Fasig October Concludes cont. from p1

Through four sessions, Fasig-Tipton sold 76 horses via internet bids for approximately \$2.5 million.

Brian Graves of Gainesway, which consigned two of the five yearlings to sell for \$200,000 or over during Thursday's session, said polarization was a continuing reality in the marketplace.

"It's thin and everything has to be perfect," Graves said. "You have to have a really good physical, you have to have a little sire power and you have to have a clean vet. And if you have those three things, you can get a fair to a good price for your horse. Everything else is very thin and shaky and there just isn't any flexibility after that. Really it's a free fall after that at this point in time with all the uncertainty and the COVID situation only makes it worse."

Still, buyers were there for the perceived quality offerings.

Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan, who made Thursday's highest bid when going to \$310,000 to acquire a son of Classic Empire, said, "It's a lot of work because it's so spread out--1,500 horses over four days--but you do find some nice horses who missed earlier sales for whatever reason and sometimes a horse who didn't sell at September comes back here, like that sale-topper yesterday [\$600,000 son of Uncle Mo]. He was a beautiful horse. He doubled his price from September to now. It doesn't happen

Tensas Wedding Joy will sell in foal to War Front, making her just the third Grade I producing mare to be offered in foal to that sire since 2018. Better yet, she is carrying a foal bred on a cross that has produced five graded stakes winners.

War Front needs no introduction. His offspring have been thriving all over the world. In 2019 he had his first winner of an American Triple Crown race when War of Will won the GI Preakness S on the dirt. Showing how versatile the

offspring of War Front can be, War of Will added a Grade I win on the turf this year when he won the GI Maker's Mark Mile.

Represented by horses like Halladay (Mile), Civil Union (Filly & Mare Turf), Battleground (Juvenile Turf), Bombard (Turf Sprint) and War of Will (Dirt Mile), War Front stands an excellent chance of having a huge couple of days at the Breeders' Cup.

often, but he was a really good colt. It's the same old story. If you have a really good horse who vets clean and stands the critique of everybody, you'll do well."



Mike Ryan | Fasig-Tipton

Ryan has made almost every stop on the yearling sales scene across the globe, including at Tattersalls and Keeneland.

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“I think it’s amazing,” Ryan said of the results he has seen this fall. “I think it just shows you how resilient we are. Thank God that racing resumed back in May because it’s the engine that drives everything. And without racing, we are nothing. But purses have gone back up again in New York, they are back to pre-COVID levels. So it is amazing, but it also very polarized. We just don’t have enough people who want to race a horse, enough people who want to pay \$120 a day to want to run one. There are too many middle men, traders, not enough end-users. And that’s a problem, but it’s been remarkable. Who would have thought it? The uncertainty was unnerving and Fasig here in September was good and Keeneland was solid. But it’s the same story. You’ve got to have a nice horse. But that’s the way it is. People aren’t going to pay for average stock. If they like your horse, you’ll be rewarded.”

With the end of the yearling sales season, Ryan said with a smile, “We get a week off and we’ll be back here next Thursday looking at foals and mares.”

Bidding returns to Newtown Paddocks for Fasig-Tipton’s star-studded November sale Nov. 8.

Ryan Strikes for Classic Empire Colt

Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan went to a session-topping \$310,000 to secure a son of Classic Empire on behalf of Seth Klarman. The yearling (hip 1398), who will be trained by Chad Brown, is out of Delay of Game (Bernardini) and from the family of graded winner Sanford and champion Johannesburg.

“He’s a really good colt with a lot of Bernardini in him and a beautiful mover,” Ryan said. “He’s a New York-bred which is nice, but I think he is an open-company class horse. I thought he was the best by the sire that I saw this week--one of the best horses I saw this week. I was surprised to have to go that far for him, but we really wanted him.”

Ryan continued, “Hopefully we will see him at Saratoga next year as a 2-year-old. He’s bred to go two turns, but he looks like a horse who will have natural speed and should be able to run in late summer of his 2-year-old year. We’ve had a lot of luck buying for Mr. Klarman and Chad Brown and I told him this was a horse we had to have and let’s try to get him.”

The yearling was consigned by St George Sales on behalf of his breeder, Dan Hayden’s EKQ Stables.

“I’m very happy with the result,” Hayden said. “I’m delighted that a superior judge like Mike Ryan got him also. He’s a lovely straightforward colt with a lovely motion and balance to him. He’s loaded with quality also. I like what I’m seeing from these Classic Empires.”

Hayden purchased Delay of Game, in foal to Street Sense, for \$90,000 at the 2017 Keeneland November sale. The mare was bred and consigned by Godolphin. **Cont. p5**

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“The first thing that appealed to me about the mare was her sire, Bernardini,” Hayden said. “The sky is the limit for his broodmares. I spoke with Danny Mulvihill from Darley who were selling her and he said she was solid with no vices. Kiaran McLaughlin, who trained her, also told me that her race record didn’t necessarily reflect her talent. He said she was a runner. It was also very appealing that she had such a deep family going back to Johannesburg and, of course, Pulpit through that great mare Yarn.”

Hayden continued, “Physically she’s a lovely, scopey, old-fashioned laid-back mare that just throws everything into her foals. They have great mental attitudes and are confident animals just like her.”

The mare’s Street Sense filly, now named Spa Ready, sold for \$260,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale. Spa Ready broke her maiden first-time out at Belmont Park for Wise Racing shortly after half-brother RNA’d for \$110,000 at last month’s Keeneland September sale.

“The Street Sense filly could walk the pants off anyone and was absolutely bombproof mentally,” Hayden said. “The Classic Empire is the same and the mare has an absolute standout weanling filly by Accelerate.”

Of the yearling’s first trip through the sales ring at Keeneland last month, Hayden said, “I think he just came into the

September sale a slight bit immature and just didn't hit the mark in a slightly nervous market. He has matured well physically in the meantime and Archie St George and his whole team did their usual superb job and here we are. Spa Ready also broke her maiden impressively at Belmont first time out for Chad Brown and looks like she has a promising future. It's always a help when they end up in the hands of a trainer like Chad.”



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Gainesway sent a trio of yearlings, bred on foal shares, by its late sire Empire Maker through the ring at Fasig-Tipton Thursday and came away with three six-figure sales.

“Empire Maker is a super broodmare sire,” Gainesway’s Brian Graves said. “Everybody knows it and that only helps. People would like to have one and their chances to do that are running out.”

Empire Maker, who **died in January**, is the broodmare sire of 21 graded stakes winners, including Grade I winners Arklow (Arch), Separationofpowers (Candy Ride {Arg}) and Outwork (Uncle Mo), as well as Canadian champion Avie’s Flatter (Flatter).

Bloodstock agent Tonja Terranova went to \$200,000 to acquire a colt by the 2003 GI Belmont S. winner (**hip 1173**). The yearling is out of stakes-placed Bagatelle Park (Speightstown) and was bred in partnership with Dr. H. Steve Conboy.

“The colt was just everything you’d want to see,” Graves said. “He was leggy, he had good balance and a good walk.”



Brian Graves | Fasig-Tipton

X-Men Racing purchased an Empire Maker filly (**hip 1372**), also for \$200,000. Bred in partnership with Happy Alter, the Florida-bred bay is out of Curlin’s Mistress (Curlin), a full-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Curlin’s Approval and a half to multiple graded-placed ‘TDN Rising Star’ Apologynotaccepted (Fusaichi Pegasus).

Rounding out the trio of six-figure yearlings was **hip 1197**, a filly out of graded winner Belleski (Polish Number) who was bred in partnership with Thoreau, LLC. Down Neck Stable acquired the bay for \$155,000.

“Both the fillies were very good physicals,” Graves said. “Unfortunately these days, if you don’t have that going for you, it’s impossible to get a good result.”

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• No. Offered	293	332
• No. Sold	235	268
• RNAs	58	64
• % RNAs	19.8%	19.3%
• High Price	\$310,000	\$560,000
• No. Over \$200k	5	13
• Gross	\$7,290,900	\$10,681,700
• Average	\$31,025 (-22.2%)	\$39,857
• Median	\$15,000 (+11.1%)	\$13,500
CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2020	2019
• Catalogued	1553	1590
• No. Offered	1226	1335
• No. Sold	961	1008
• RNAs	265	327
• % RNAs	21.6%	24.5%
• No. +\$200k	26	40
• High Price	\$600,000	\$560,000
• Gross	\$32,743,700	\$38,258,900
• Average	\$34,073 (-10.2%)	\$37,955
• Median	\$15,000 (+15.4%)	\$13,000

- Purchaser: Shepherd Equine Advisors,
agent for Sanders & Hirsch
- 1534** filly **Nyquist--Four Sugars** **200,000**
(\$170,000 RNA yrl '20 KEESEP)
Breeder: Diamond Creek Farm (Ky)
Consignor: Eaton Sales, agent
Purchaser: Oracle Bloodstock, agent
- 1197** filly **Empire Maker--Belleski** **155,000**
Breeder: Thoreau LLC & Empire Maker Syndicate (Ky)
Consignor: Gainesway, Agent I
Purchaser: Down Neck Stable
- 1473** filly **Liam's Map--Enth** **150,000**
Breeder: Forty Oaks (Ky)
Consignor: Summerfield
(Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck)
Purchaser: Susan & John Moore, Mike Owens, agent
- 1225** colt **Classic Empire--Bold Quality** **140,000**
Breeder: Steven and Brandi Nicholson (Ky)
Consignor: Warrendale Sales, Agent XXX
Purchaser: SBM

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THURSDAY'S TOP YEARLINGS

HIP	SEX	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
1398	colt	Classic Empire--Delay of Game	310,000
(\$110,000 RNA yrl '20 KEESEP) Breeder: EKQ Stables (Ky) Consignor: St George Sales, Agent XVIII Purchaser: Mike Ryan, agent			
1173	colt	Empire Maker--Bagatelle Park	200,000
Breeder: H Steve Conboy & Empire Maker Syndicate (Ky) Consignor: Gainesway, Agent XXXIV Purchaser: Tonja Terranova, agent			
1372	filly	Empire Maker--Curlin's Mistress	200,000
Breeder: Happy Alter & Empire Maker Syndicate (Fl) Consignor: Gainesway, Agent XVIII Purchaser: X-Men Racing LLC, agent			
1422	filly	Constitution--Distinct Sparkle	200,000
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1389	colt	Creative Cause	Darling Sky	100,000

B-Namcook Stables, Paul Braverman and Tim Pinch (Ky)

Consigned by Warrendale Sales, Agent XIX

Purchased by BET Racing

Wark Bloodstock acquired this colt for \$15,000 at this year's Keeneland January sale.

1456	filly	Tapiture	Elke	87,000
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B-EVADI Farm Team (Ky)

Consigned by Machmer Hall Sales,

Agent for Isabelle & Layne Brogden & Elizabeth De Meric

Purchased Kern Thoroughbreds, agent

Score one for the next generation. Isabelle and Layne Brogden, daughters of Machmer Hall's Carrie and Craig Brogden, and Elizabeth De Meric, daughter of Tristan and Valery De Meric,

teamed up to purchase this filly for \$15,000 at the 2019 Keeneland November sale. Since the purchase, the yearling's half-brother Weston (Hit it a Bomb) won the GII Best Pal S.

1473	filly	Liam's Map	Enth	150,000
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B-Forty Oaks (Ky)

Consigned by Summerfield

(Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), agent

Purchased by Susan & John Moore, Mike Owens, agent

Forty Oaks purchased Enth, in foal to Runhappy, for \$55,000 at the 2017 Keeneland November sale. Her Runhappy filly sold for \$135,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November sale and again for \$225,000 at the 2019 Fasig-Tipton July sale. The mare has a weanling filly by Uncle Mo and she was bred back to Omaha Beach.

Turfway, Derby Updates cont. from p1

CDI, a gaming corporation with six Thoroughbred tracks in its portfolio, acquired Turfway last year and soon thereafter embarked upon a \$200 project to revitalize the track and build an accompanying wagering facility 12 miles to the northeast. That satellite facility has recently been completed and is up and running with 500 HRMs, but the track itself is slated to begin its December-March racing season without permanent infrastructure that will be open to the general public. **Cont. p9**

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On Sept. 24, the Supreme Court of Kentucky reversed and remanded a previous ruling by Franklin Superior Court that had determined that the Encore brand of HRM gaming used by some tracks constitutes legal pari-mutuel wagering. Although the court opinion applied to only that one specific brand of gaming machinery, it theoretically could apply to all makes and models of HRM in Kentucky.

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission (KHRC) and Keeneland have already petitioned the Supreme Court for a rehearing, and elected officials have been lobbied hard by Thoroughbred interests to come up with a legislative fix to ensure that HRMs remain legal and operational.

"Regarding the Turfway Park HRM and grandstand project, we have temporarily paused the construction of this facility," Carstanjen said. "In late September, the Kentucky Supreme Court issued a decision concerning the

legality of the company called Exacta HRMs under Kentucky law. While we do not have any Exacta HRMs at any of our facilities, and therefore are not directly impacted by the Kentucky Supreme Court ruling, we feel it is prudent to refrain from

further significant capital investment until the Kentucky legislature has an opportunity to review the decision and the technicalities in the current law during the legislative session starting in early 2021.

"We appreciate the support of Gov. [Andy] Beshear, the KHRC, and many legislators on both sides of the aisle who are actively reviewing and discussing this decision. While the Kentucky Supreme Court decision was technically a narrow one, we anticipate that the Kentucky legislature may

consider revisions to the relevant statute in the first quarter of 2021.

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A hotel and HRM facility at Churchill Downs, the flagship property of the gaming corporation, also remains on hold. But the reason cited by Carstanjen was the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and not the Supreme Court ruling on HRMs.

"We remain paused on building the hotel and HRM facility at Churchill Downs racetrack until we are past the pandemic and can again model the future with more certainty. This is just being prudent with our shareholders' capital," Carstanjen said.

The Churchill construction pause is not new. It's been halted since April, just after the onset of the pandemic, when Carstanjen said in another CDI earnings call that the \$300-million project was on hold "until after we have completed" the 2021 GI Kentucky Derby.

Looking ahead to that 2021 Derby, Carstanjen said CDI is aiming for a return to the traditional first Saturday in May calendar spot, which falls on May 1. In 2020, the Derby got

pushed back to Sept. 5 because of the pandemic.

"We do not anticipate moving off our traditional date of the first Saturday in May," Carstanjen said. "We are starting with the assumption that we will limit the number of reserved seats to 40-50% of capacity, and we will delay selling any general admissions tickets which do not come with seats until we are closer to the date of the Derby."

If circumstances surrounding the pandemic improve, CDI will revisit that plan and open up more ticketing options, Carstanjen said.

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CON TE PARTIRO A UNIQUE OFFERING AT KEENELAND NOVEMBER

by Jessica Martini

When SF Bloodstock and Newgate Farm purchased **Con Te Partiro** (Scat Daddy--Temple Street, by Street Cry {Ire}) for \$575,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November sale, the team was already impressed with her accomplishments, but fast forward two years and it will be an even more imposing mare who goes through the ring during the first session of the Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale Nov. 9 in Lexington.

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THOROSTRIDE KEENELAND November 2020 HIP 217 CON TE PARTIRO (m. Scat Daddy) - BEDOUIN BLOODSTOCK -

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Out of the Grade I-placed Temple Street and a half-sister to multiple graded-placed Donworth (Tiznow), Con Te Partiro was purchased by bloodstock agent Gatewood Bell for \$130,000 at the 2015 Keeneland September Yearling Sale. Campaigned by the Hat Creek Racing partnership, she opened her career with a 'TDN Rising Star'-worthy victory at Keeneland for trainer Wesley Ward in 2016. Two starts later, she won the Bolton Landing S. at Saratoga and concluded her juvenile campaign with a runner-up effort against the boys in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint S. The following year, she joined Ward's Royal Ascot contingent and came away with a win in the Sandringham H.

She was winless in six starts in 2018 before going through the sales ring at Fasig-Tipton, but had done enough to make the SF team's short list that November. **Cont. p11**

“At the time, she was a stakes winner on two continents, a winner on dirt and turf, and by Scat Daddy--those attributes definitely put her on our list, but on top of that she is a beautiful mare and all class which was evident at the sale,” SF Bloodstock’s Tom Ryan said of the mare’s appeal in 2018.

Despite her winless 2018 season, Ryan said the plan was always to send the then 4-year-old racing in Australia.

“The plan was dual-pronged,” Ryan explained. “We felt, given her obvious talent as a racehorse on the turf, that she would suit Australia and could be very competitive there and then ultimately, being by Scat Daddy, from a lovely female family, that she would be an exceptional broodmare prospect.”

Transferred to Australia and the barn of trainers Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, Con Te Partiro found immediate success Down Under, winning the G3 Dark Jewel Classic at Scone in May. Off the board in her next three outings and with the

Australian breeding season looming, the decision was made to retire the mare, who had now won stakes on three continents. But the retirement was short-lived.

“Honestly, it was breeding season in the Southern Hemisphere and she was a highly accomplished mare--a Group 3 winner in Australia, and a stakes winner in Europe and the U.S. with tons of appeal,” Ryan said of the decision to retire the mare. “It's hard to pass up on a breeding season in that scenario, so we decided to go ahead and retire her. When she didn't take on the first cover there was a lot of discussion--firstly, she was a maiden, so we didn't want to stretch into a late cover and secondly, she was so talented. Thankfully we decided to put her



Con Te Partiro winning Coolmore Classic | Sportpix

back in training.”

Returned to training, Con Te Partiro would have her best season of racing in 2020, winning both the G1 Coolmore Classic S. at Rosehill and the G1 Coolmore Legacy S. at Randwick.

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-	Outwork (UNCLE MO)	2	0
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“It was outstanding,” Ryan said of Con Te Partiro’s season. “She surpassed all previous accolades picking up two Group 1s at two of Australia’s premier racetracks, Randwick and Rosehill. It was a credit to [Newgate Farm’s] Henry Field and to Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott—they had the belief in the mare and it paid off handsomely.”

In early September, it was announced Con Te Partiro would be returned to the United States for a tilt at the GI Breeders’ Cup F/M Turf before going through the sales ring at the Keeneland November sale two days later. But the 6-year-old suffered a knee injury later that month scuppering plans for an appearance at Keeneland championship weekend.

“It was absolutely disappointing to miss the Breeders’ Cup,” Ryan said. “A mare of that caliber would have been very competitive and we would have loved to end her journey there, especially given her exceptional juvenile performance against the boys at the 2016 Breeders’ Cup.”



Con Te Partiro | *Thorostride*

While her Breeders’ Cup start was canceled, Con Te Partiro will still be keeping her engagement at the November sale down the hill from the racetrack.

“She arrived back to the U.S. in early October and is in the very capable hands of Neal Clarke and Conor Doyle at Atlas Farm,” Ryan said. “She looks superb, we are very proud to offer her at the Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale.”

Of the decision to offer a mare with clearly international appeal at Keeneland, Ryan said, “It was a hard decision for sure—a mare like that is always going to be hard to give up, but we have to be true to our business and we are sellers in this case. In terms of location, I think we were spoiled for choice in that we could have offered her anywhere, but the international presence and broad buyer bench at Keeneland appealed to us. She is, after all, a U.S.-bred mare and there is something special about bringing her home.”



Louise and Henry Field accept Con Te Partiro’s Queen of the Autumn award Oct. 21

Ryan said buyers will find plenty to like about the well-traveled mare.

“I think she’s one of very few mares that really has it all,” he said. “She is cosmopolitan in every sense of the word; she was at home all over the world and took everything thrown at her with class and brilliance. A black-type winner on three continents, excelling on turf and dirt, wins from 4 1/2 furlongs to a mile, not to mention a beautiful physical, from an active female family that has also produced top sire Into Mischief, and by prolific sire Scat Daddy.”

Consigned by Bedouin Bloodstock, Con Te Partiro is catalogued as [hip 217](#).

The Keeneland November sale opens Nov. 9 with a single-session Book 1 beginning at noon. The sale continues through Nov. 18 with sessions beginning daily at 10 a.m.

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BAFFERT SCOPOLAMINE HEARING UNFOLDS IN COMPLICATED, TWISTING FASHION

by *T.D. Thornton*

After 2 1/2 years of closed-session decision-making by the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) and a complicated court battle to publicly reopen the case over whether to disqualify 2018 Triple Crown winner Justify over a scopolamine positive from when the colt won that year’s GI Santa Anita Derby, the initial back-and-forth legal salvos in an Oct. 29 stewards’ hearing on the matter indicate that the argument could come down to whether scopolamine was a Class 3 or Class 4 substance at the time of the post-race test.

The difference in classification might seem pretty simple to determine. **Cont. p13**



Justify winning the Santa Anita Derby | *Benoit*

And the distinction is of the utmost importance in California, where Class 1 through 3 drug positives trigger automatic disqualification of horses, regardless of trainer intent or culpability.

But as four-plus hours of back-and-forth testimony and cross-examination repeatedly underscored Thursday, a definitive answer on the drug’s technical classification remains elusive and open to interpretation because of the cumbersome, bureaucratic way the CHRHB has to codify its rules to comply with state law (explained below).

Beyond the objection-laden testimony over scopolamine’s classification at the time of Justify’s positive, an attorney for Bob Baffert, the colt’s trainer, argued that the stewards shouldn’t even be re-hearing the case at all because the CHRHB already adjudicated it without imposing any penalization or race disqualification in an August 2018 executive session.

That controversial 2018 commission vote took place privately after a detailed—but not publicly disclosed at the time—investigation that led to the exoneration of Justify and Baffert based on a finding of accidental environmental contamination by jimson weed.

“This case was correctly decided by the CHRHB in 2018. It was a final and binding decision. And nothing has changed since then, and you all should simply affirm that decision so that we can put this matter to bed once and for all,” said Baffert’s lawyer, W. Craig Robertson III.

“When that investigation was complete, there were two things that were clear, undisputed and undeniable,” Robertson continued. “Number one, that this was a case of innocent environmental contamination from hay and it was not a case of any intentional administration of any drug or medication. And number two, that the trace levels of scopolamine ... had no effect on the performance of these horses and no effect on the races.”

But Robert Petersen, an attorney representing the CHRHB, said he disagreed “with the idea that this is somehow a re-do of some earlier adjudication. I think the facts clearly show there has never been a full adjudication on the merits of this issue ... People may have an issue with the rule [mandating Class 3 disqualifications being too] draconian. But that’s what the rule is. I can’t change the rules.”

Although Justify is the “headline horse” in the case, the stewards were combining two cases into one hearing Thursday. Also up for potential re-adjudication was the scopolamine positive of MGISW Hoppertunity, another Baffert trainee who tested dirty when winning the GIII Tokyo City Cup S. the day after Justify won the Santa Anita Derby.

For context, the two positives of the Baffert trainees were not isolated cases. In roughly the same time frame in 2018, the CHRHB received positive post-race tests for scopolamine on five other horses, and the CHRHB eventually treated them all as unintentional jimson weed contaminations from ingesting tainted hay.



Bob Baffert | *Fasig-Tipton*

Thursday, the CHRHB’s equine medical director, Rick Arthur, DVM, was the chief witness called by Baffert’s attorney to defend the new complaint.

Arthur, who led the 2018 scopolamine investigation and had recommended not penalizing Justify, Baffert, or any of the other horses or trainers based on the findings and mitigating circumstances, testified under the unusual circumstances of disagreeing with the CHRHB’s decision to have the Santa Anita stewards revisit the case. (It should be noted that the CHRHB is no longer comprised of the same makeup of commissioners who were on the board in 2018).

“The entire case [of all scopolamine positives during that time frame] was dismissed. And I’m actually pretty shocked the state’s arguing otherwise,” Arthur said. **Cont. p14**



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CLM 16,0 NW2	\$28,000	
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“I stand by my recommendation to the executive director and the board 100%,” Arthur continued. “This was the correct decision. It was the fair decision. Usually, regulatory agencies don’t have the guts to do what’s fair and right, and this board made that decision appropriately. I think they could be questioned about the lack of transparency. And I warned them that this was not going to stay a secret at that time. But that was their decision, not mine.”

Background on the case

Arthur’s point about the lack of transparency factors centrally in the way the Justify and Hoppertunity positives were handled in 2018. No complaints were issued at the time of findings, and the CHRБ’s investigation unfolded behind the scenes while the nation was watching Justify win race after race en route to an undefeated, Triple Crown-winning season.

When the CHRБ finally did vote not to penalize Justify or Baffert, it was August 2018, and their unanimous executive-session decision was not made public.

It was more than a year before news about Justify’s positive and non-penalization became widely known. On Sept. 11, 2019, the *New York Times* broke the story that Justify tested positive when he won the Santa Anita Derby, a GI Kentucky Derby points qualifying race that vaulted him into contention for the Triple Crown.

That revelation sparked a January 2020 lawsuit initiated against the CHRБ by Mick Ruis, who owned and trained the 2018 Santa Anita Derby runner-up, Bolt d’Oro. In his suit, Ruis alleged that the CHRБ’s secret vote to dismiss the case led Ruis to suffer “the loss of purse caused by the CHRБ’s failing to disqualify Justify and re-distribute the purse for the positive test result.”

Eight months later, as part of a negotiated settlement to get Ruis to drop his lawsuit, the CHRБ again met in closed session, voting Aug. 20, 2020 to reverse its previous course of no action and to proceed with a complaint seeking the disqualification of Justify and the redistribution of the purse from that stakes.

So is scopolamine Class 3 or 4?

The new complaint that the stewards were tasked with adjudicating Thursday pertains to possible race disqualifications for Justify and Hoppertunity, and not punishment of Baffert.

The bone of contention that came up early and often was how California classified scopolamine at the time of the offenses.

The CHRБ, by its own regulation, follows the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties when establishing model rules for drugs. The ARCI once classified scopolamine as a Class 3 drug (lower-number classifications are more severe). But in

December 2016, the ARCI reclassified it to a lesser Class 4 offense.

Arthur testified that the CHRБ fully intended to follow the ARCI’s model rule that reclassified scopolamine (and other drugs that also changed classes). But since California’s Office of Administrative Law doesn’t allow the CHRБ to change rules by automatically referencing another authority’s code, the racing agency has to go through a drawn-out process to make even minute changes such as drug reclassifications.

So because of this bureaucratic backlog, scopolamine in 2018 was still technically Class 3 in California, even though Arthur and the CHRБ considered it to match the ARCI’s newer Class 4 downgrade.



Rick Arthur | *Horsephotos*

Arthur explained how as the equine medical director, he has regulatory leeway to take into consideration mitigating circumstances, and that’s what he did when recommending no initial penalties for the scopolamine positives.

“It is inherently unfair to hold somebody to a classification that is outdated because of regulatory inefficiency,” Arthur said.

But Petersen, the CHRБ attorney, said regardless of Arthur’s intent and interpretation, that’s not how the scopolamine rule was on the books at the time Justify and Hoppertunity tested positive.

“It is true that scopolamine was later reclassified as Class 4. But that did not happen until January 2019,” Petersen said.

In concluding remarks, Robertson urged the stewards to consider the wider, precedent-setting implications of not allowing the scopolamine adjudications from 2018 to remain intact.

“You, as stewards, always have discretion to do what’s right and just,” Robertson said. “And not only do you have that discretion, you should exercise that discretion. Not just for the parties in this case, but for the horse industry as a whole.”

CHRB steward John Herbuveaux, who moderated the proceedings, cautioned all parties at the conclusion of the hearing that a decision is “not going to be something that’s going to happen in the very near future.”

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MAJOR RACING ORGANIZATIONS TO JOINTLY FUND STUDY ON LASIX IN 2-YEAR-OLDS

The Stronach Group, Breeders’ Cup Ltd., Churchill Downs Inc., Keeneland, the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association and the New York Racing Association, Inc. have agreed to jointly fund North America’s largest study on the effects of furosemide and on the prevalence and severity of Exercise-Induced Pulmonary Hemorrhage (EIPH) in 2-year-old racehorses.

The study, formally titled Furosemide: Its Effects on the Prevalence and Severity of Exercise-Induced Pulmonary Hemorrhage (EIPH) and the Immune System’s Normal Response to Exercise in Two-Year-Old Racehorses, began this month and is being led by Dr. Warwick Bayly and Dr. Macarena Sanz from the Department of Veterinary Clinical Services at Washington State University’s College of Veterinary Medicine.



Spring racing at Keeneland | *Coady*

The study will aim to address the debate surrounding whether or not injection of furosemide has beneficial, detrimental or no effects on the welfare of 2-year-olds. The use of furosemide and its effects has been a dominant issue confronting North American racing for more than a decade. The study will try to address unanswered questions at the heart of furosemide use, namely:

- Does the administration of furosemide four hours before racing and/or training reduce the severity of EIPH in 2-year-old racehorses?

- Does the pre-race administration of furosemide four hours before racing effect a horse’s performance?

The study will evaluate the endoscopic exams from at least 600 horses from three groups representing the major racing jurisdictions of California, Delaware, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. Horses will be evaluated in three groups: 1) those who are given furosemide at least 48 hours before racing or not at all; 2) those who are given furosemide 24 hours before racing or not at all and; 3) those who are administered furosemide four hours before racing. Veterinary practitioners from each of the jurisdictions will be asked to recruit trainers who are existing clients to voluntarily participate in the study.

“This study provides an opportunity to fill a critical knowledge gap on the use of furosemide,” said Dr. Warwick Bayly, Professor, Equine Medicine, Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine. “As a first-of-its-kind study of this depth, it is our hope that once completed we will be able to provide additional information that will enable the horse racing industry to address the regulation of furosemide in the United States from a scientifically-informed perspective.”

“The current patchwork of rules and regulations across the United States regarding the administration of furosemide does a disservice to the horses and the practitioners who care for them,” said Dr. Dionne Benson, Chief Veterinary Officer, The Stronach Group. “This study is an opportunity for industry stakeholders to come together to invest in meaningful steps to address pressing questions so that we may develop a higher and more consistent standard of rules and regulations.”

Preliminary results from the study are expected to be available in spring 2021, assuming the quantity and quality of the samples satisfy the requirements for statistical relevance as set out by Dr. Bayly and Dr. Sanz.

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GSW RIDEFORTHECAUSE AMONG FASIG-TIPTON’S LATEST NOVEMBER SUPPLEMENTS

The latest supplements to the Fasig-Tipton catalogue include four racing or broodmare prospects, highlighted by **Rideforthecause** (Candy Ride {Arg}) (**hip 282**), winner of the Sept. 18 GII Canadian S. A half-sister to 2020 GI Northern Dancer Turf S. star Say the Word (More Than Ready), her third dam is Canadian Horse of the Year and Broodmare of the Year Dance Smartly (Danzig). Rideforthecause will be consigned by Sam-Son Farm as **part of their recently announced dispersal**.

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RidefortheCause won the Canadian Sept. 18 | Michael Burns

Four Stars Sales consigns **Into Mystic** (Into Mischief) (hip 283), victress of the Kentucky Downs Preview Ladies Sprint S. Aug. 2, who has since placed in two graded events, including a nose defeat to MGISW Got Stormy (Get Stormy) in the GIII Buffalo Trace Franklin County S. Oct. 9. Taylor Made Sales consigns **Shippy** (Midshipman) (hip 284), runaway winner of this summer's Blue Sparkler S. at Monmouth Park, who also had graded stakes form last year at two. And finally, Stuart Morris consigns 2-year-old **Miss Nondescript** (Mosler) (hip 285), who won the Oct. 24 Maryland Million Lassie S. to remain undefeated.

The November Sale is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 8, at 2 p.m. with supplemental entries accepted through the Breeders' Cup.

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OAKLAWN RELEASES NEW PROPOSED INTEGRITY INITIATIVES FOR '21

Working in partnership with the Arkansas Racing Commission and the Arkansas HBPA (Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association), Oaklawn Racing Casino Resort has announced, subject to legislative approval, a series of significant proposed safety and integrity enhancements planned for the 2021 racing season. Key provisions include the prohibition of Clenbuterol within 60 days of a race, reduction in the maximum amount of Lasix without specific approval, and the mandatory use of safety whips in races.

"We began working on these measures last spring," said Oaklawn President Louis Cella. "We hosted a series of roundtable meetings with horsemen, regulators, racing officials, and our own management team where we asked a simple question: 'What can we do to enhance the safety and integrity of our program?'"

The rule changes are currently making their way through the regulatory approval process in Arkansas and are expected to be finalized in advance of the start of the 2021 racing season Jan. 22.

"We could not have accomplished all of this without the strong partnership we have with our Racing Commission and our horsemen," Cella said. "When it comes to integrity and safety, we are united."

Some of the proposed rule or policy changes include:

- The use of Clenbuterol or any other beta2-agonist will not be allowed within 60 days prior to a race at Oaklawn, confirmed for the first time through hair testing.
- The maximum dosage of Lasix that can be administered has been reduced by 50% without specific approval of the State Veterinarian. Lasix is also prohibited in any 3-year-old stakes that awards points towards eligibility in the GI Kentucky Derby (Smarty Jones, GII Southwest S., GII Rebel S., and GI Arkansas Derby) and GI Kentucky Oaks (Martha Washington, GIII Honeybee S., and GIII Fantasy S.)
- The use of extracorporeal shock wave therapy, radial pulse wave therapy or similar treatments will not be allowed within 30 days of a race. Also, shock wave equipment will not be allowed on Oaklawn's grounds at any time.
- Trainer and veterinarian records must be made available upon request for review by the pre-race exam veterinarians.
- The only riding crops allowed during races will be the 360 Gentle Touch (360 GT), Pro-Cush or other similar riding crops approved by the stewards.
- Off-track training facilities in Arkansas will be asked to agree to abide by rules similar to rules that apply on-track.
- Horses will be required to be on the grounds at least 72 hours before races unless approved for late arrival. To facilitate this, entries will be scheduled at least four days prior to a race.

"Our racing program has become one of the elite racing programs in America with a projected average daily purse distribution of \$700,000 a day in 2021," he added. "In addition, we are close to completing a \$100-million expansion project that will elevate the program even further. So the time for safety and integrity enhancements is now."

One of the individuals who worked closely with Oaklawn and horsemen in the development of these measures was Alex Lieblong, Chairman of the Arkansas Racing Commission.

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A horse owner himself, Lieblong said, “I applaud Oaklawn for taking these forward-thinking steps that will help solidify Oaklawn’s status as one of the premier racing destinations in the country. They have the full support of the Racing Commission.”

Another key participant, Bill Walmsley, president of the Arkansas HBPA, added, “We began these meetings in early 2020 and continued working through the summer and into the fall. While we do not endorse every change, we do not object to any of these changes. Overall, it has been a true partnership effort, and it demonstrates why Oaklawn, the Arkansas HBPA and the Arkansas Racing Commission enjoy what I believe is the strongest working relationship in the industry.”

Oaklawn’s 2021 season runs from Friday, Jan. 22 through Saturday, May 1. Stall applications are now available on www.oaklawn.com and are due Nov. 5.

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ANDY BEYER JOINS TDN WRITERS’ ROOM



by Joe Bianca

As the Breeders’ Cup draws nearer, legendary author, columnist, figuremaker and handicapper Andy Beyer joined the TDN Writers’ Room **presented by Keeneland** this week. Calling in via Zoom as the **Green Group Guest of the Week**, Beyer discussed the future of playing the horses, what his action looks like these days and the evolution of speed figures over the years.

Asked about his early Breeders’ Cup opinions, Beyer understandably said he’s against the strong on hype, weak on numbers Princess Noor (Not This Time), who figures to be among the favorites in the Juvenile Fillies.

“The commentators on TV were just riding the Beyer Speed Figures, like, ‘How can this great horse only be getting figures in the 70s?’” he said. “Todd Schrupp on TVG mentioned her in the same breath with Ruffian, which to me is sacrilege. But the fact is when I look at all of her races, the figures are solid as a rock. When she won her last race [the GII Chandelier S.] at Santa Anita, there was a really weak group of male 2-year-olds [in that

day’s GI American Pharoah S.] going the same distance. You have a direct line of comparison and her time was just very mediocre, as with her other races, so I always believed in standing by right figures when I can and I’ll be betting against her in the Breeders’ Cup.”

On how his betting habits compare to a younger version of himself, Beyer said, “I bet much less. When I developed the figures I was just about the only person who had speed figures. I had as great an edge as a gambler could want from the mid-70s to the mid-90s. Now that speed figures are common currency and everybody has access to them, I don’t have that. I made hay while the sun shined, in those golden years. Plus there are elements of the modern game that I just don’t like. At the top of the list is the Rainbow 6 and those other copycat jackpot bets. There was nothing that got my juices flowing like a big carryover in a traditional Pick 6. But the jackpot bets are, to me, a sucker bet to fleece the average player. So I’m down on that.”

A longtime critic of drugs in racing and the lax regulatory approach that allows cheaters to prosper, Beyer admitted that he didn’t realize the depths of the alleged criminality that were revealed in this March’s FBI indictments of Jason Servis and Jorge Navarro.

“In all the years that I would write about super-trainers and guys whose performance seemed to defy logic, I had the notion that, the industry is just looking the other way, stewards aren’t cracking down,” he said. “We learned from the case earlier this year that it’s not as simple as that. This was a major criminal conspiracy, with people manufacturing sophisticated drugs, hiding the presence of those drugs in a sophisticated way. It took a year-long investigation by the FBI with wiretaps to nail the cheaters. This was not just a sneaky trainer and a sneaky vet, it was something that needed a major law enforcement effort. So I think the only answer to this problem is to bring in high-powered investigators. Within the industry itself, it wasn’t negligence, we just didn’t have the tools to keep the cheaters at bay.”

Elsewhere on the show, in the **West Point Thoroughbreds** news segment, the writers discussed the recent string of medication positives coming out of the Bob Baffert barn and what they mean, then gave their first-blush impressions of the Breeders’ Cup pre-entries. [Click here to watch the podcast; click here for the audio-only version.](#)

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FROM TDN LOOK: THE INCOMPARABLE, INVINCIBLE, UNBEATABLE CIGAR

Twenty-five years ago, Cigar put together a perfect 10-for-10 season in the middle of a streak of 16 straight wins. We remember it here.

by Bill Finley



Cigar | Coglianese

It was the sixth race on an ordinary Friday card in October at Aqueduct some 26 years ago and there was nothing to suggest that the \$34,000 allowance event would ever have any relevance. Jose Santos was aboard the favorite, a recent allowance winner who started out at Suffolk Downs named Golden Plover. Julie Krone had the mount for Tom Skiffington on second-choice Taddaruj. The third choice in the field of six was a Bill Mott-trained 4-year-old making the switch over to dirt after a lackluster 11-race run on the turf. His name was Cigar.

That's where and how it began, on a quiet fall day at the Big A when no one could have seen this coming. Owned by Allen Paulson, Cigar started off his career in California for trainer Alex Hassinger, Jr., winning just two of nine starts. Transferred to the barn of Bill Mott, he lost another four straight races, all of them allowances on the grass. Perhaps the shift to the dirt would help. They were running out of options.

"It was just the process of elimination for us," Mott said. "We tried him on the turf and that wasn't working out well enough, so we switched him to the dirt. There was no magic in it."

Cigar was dominant that day, winning by eight lengths. Twenty-one months, nine racetracks and two countries later, Cigar had pieced together an historic 16-race winning streak that is among the most extraordinary feats put together by a modern horse. It was the streak that would earn him two Horse of the Year titles, 11 Grade I wins, a spot in the Hall of Fame and legendary status. It was a streak that, for those who were part of it, will be forever etched in their memories.

I was fortunate to be there for almost all of it, 14 of the 16 wins. That was at a time when newspapers still mattered and not all had given up on horse racing. I was the racing writer for the *New York Daily News*, which allowed me to dart around the country, and to Dubai, to follow this horse.

"Greatness is neither easy to describe nor to qualify, but the criteria surely includes the ability to rise to any challenge, to be invincible," I wrote after Cigar won the 1996 Dubai World Cup, his 14th straight win. "This is Cigar, a champion."

Such breathless praise might ordinarily seem over the top, but not with this horse. He did what no other horse had done since the great Citation in 1948, who also won 16 in a row. Always show up. Always win. As the streak stretched on, through New York, California, Massachusetts, Florida, he really did seem to be invincible.

"Somebody asked me one time, 'Was he the best horse that you ever rode?'" said Jerry Bailey, who was aboard Cigar for 15 of his 16 wins during the streak. "I think he's almost the best horse anybody could have ever ridden."

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AARON WEST OF BRADLEY THOROUGHBREDS NAMED FINALIST FOR NEWCOMER AWARD

Congratulations to **Aaron West**, one of three finalists in the **Newcomer Award** category of the Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards (TIEA), presented by Godolphin. Currently the racing operations manager at Bradley Thoroughbreds LLC, West originally hails from Arkansas, where he was bitten by the Thoroughbred bug at Oaklawn Park. A move to Kentucky followed, as did a graduation from the North American Racing Academy (NARA) after focusing on ground skills and barn management. First a yearling groom at Lane's End Farm, West landed at Bradley Thoroughbreds. He coordinates with owners--making sure everyone is licensed, ensuring silks and papers are in the right spots, and organizing seating on race days; provides updates on breezes; works with trainers on horses' targets; and more.

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Aaron West | Courtesy of TIEA

“Aaron comes to work every day with a can-do attitude,” said Pete Bradley.

[Click for the video feature on West](#) done by TIEA.

Other finalists for the Newcomer Award are [Robert Cole of FTBOA](#) and [Alexis Kolasa of Denali Stud](#). The Newcomer Award is presented annually to an individual who has been in racing or breeding for under five years and has shown ambition to continue a career in some facet of the Thoroughbred industry while also improving his or her skills and knowledge.

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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DEL MAR FALL MEET KICKS OFF OCT. 31

Del Mar’s seventh Bing Crosby fall race meeting, which begins Saturday Oct. 31 for its 15-day run and continues through Sunday, Nov. 29, will offer 16 stakes races, headed by the GI Hollywood Derby Nov. 28 and GI Matriarch S. Nov. 29. Nine of the track’s fall stakes will be run on its Jimmy Durant Turf Course.

Following its Saturday/Sunday opening weekend, the track will settle into a Friday-through-Sunday format for the following

three weeks, then close things out with a four-day finish starting on Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 26.

The track will continue its emphasis on the safety of its horses and riders. Its extensive program of enhanced procedures and protocols include additional veterinarian oversight, a panel of experts that scrutinizes all horse entries and overriding analyses of medications and workout routines for its horses. As was the case during recently concluded summer meet, the track will operate its fall season under stringent COVID-19 protocols, including daily health screenings for all employees and essential personnel. It will have medical professionals onsite and require both the wearing of face masks and social distancing. In accordance with state and local guidelines, racing again will be conducted without fans in attendance.

“Safety is on our menu from start to finish,” said Del Mar Thoroughbred Club’s CEO Joe Harper. “If you start with safety, everything else just flows. And not only will we again have safe racing, but we’ll once more have the best racing in the country throughout our stand, something racing fans are going to love to watch.”

First post throughout the season will be 12:30 p.m. on all days with the exception of Thanksgiving Day, which gets an 11 a.m. start. Live cards will also be presented on both Breeders’ Cup days at Keeneland Nov. 6 and Nov. 7.

For the complete stakes schedule, visit www.dmtc.com

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Not This Time (2014) by Giant's Causeway	1	3	1	2	1	1	35	13	303,000	775,272
										Princess Noor	
2	Nyquist (2013) by Uncle Mo	1	2	1	2	1	2	27	9	195,500	651,729
										Vequist	
3	Laoban (2013) by Uncle Mo	2	4	1	3	1	2	23	5	265,000	626,764
										Simply Ravishing	
4	Upstart (2012) by Flatter	--	2	--	1	--	1	35	14	139,600	606,331
										Reinvestment Risk	
5	Frosted (2012) by Tapit	--	2	--	1	--	1	29	9	90,144	477,945
										Travel Column	
6	Outwork (2013) by Uncle Mo	1	1	--	--	--	--	31	8	89,940	424,576
										Samborella	
7	Speightster (2012) by Speightstown	1	2	--	--	--	--	35	8	60,299	352,484
										Fabricate	
8	Brody's Cause (2013) by Giant's Causeway	2	3	1	2	--	--	18	4	145,520	340,708
										Sittin On Go	
9	Air Force Blue (2013) by War Front	--	--	--	--	--	--	17	6	66,400	279,276
										Guana Cay	
10	Exaggerator (2013) by Curlin	--	1	--	--	--	--	35	6	57,000	272,762
										Color of Dawn	
11	Jess's Dream (2012) by Curlin	--	1	--	--	--	--	16	4	135,400	258,846
										Restofthestory	
12	Mosler (2011) by War Front	1	1	--	--	--	--	14	5	84,090	239,406
										Miss Nondescript	
13	Cinco Charlie (2012) by Indian Charlie	1	2	--	--	--	--	22	9	59,712	228,832
										Huntsinger	
14	Mshawish (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro	--	--	--	--	--	--	21	7	60,007	218,995
										Arabian Prince	
15	Texas Red (2012) by Afleet Alex	1	2	1	1	--	--	11	4	120,500	217,826
										My Girl Red	

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Saturday, Belmont, post time: 4:57 p.m. EDT

BOLD RULER H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mihos 🍀	Cairo Prince	Centennial Farms	Jerkens	Ortiz, Jr.	117
2	Share the Ride 🍀	Candy Ride (Arg)	Silvino Ramirez	Arriaga	Franco	120
3	Wendell Fong 🍀	Flat Out	Gold Square LLC	Lynch	Saez	116
4	Arch Cat 🍀	Arch	Burns Thoroughbred Racing LLC	Velazquez	Carmouche	117
5	Majestic Dunhill 🍀	Majesticperfection	R. A. Hill Stable	Weaver	Rosario	117
6	Phat Man	Munnings	Two Rivers Racing Stable LLC, Stribling, Marianne and Sweezey, J. Kent	Sweezey	Castellano	121

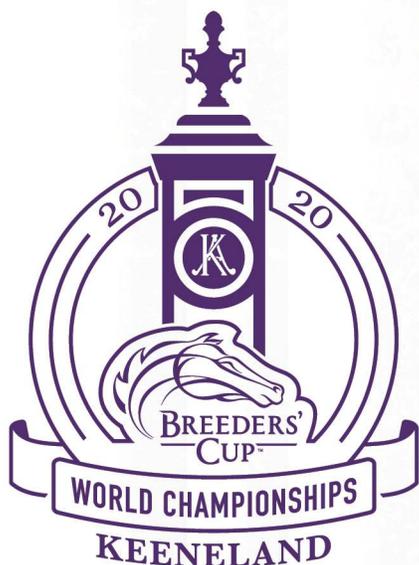
Breeders: 1-Wayne Lyster, Gray Lyster & Bryan Lyster, 2-Dixiana Farms LLC, 3-Nicholas M. Lotz, 4-Santucket Stables & Indian Creek, 5-Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC, 6-Kim Nardelli & Rodney Nardelli



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

CROWN AMBASSADOR S., \$78,900, Indiana Grand, 10-28, (S), 2yo, 6f, 1:12.53, sy.

1--**DILLSBORO DEVIL, 118, g, 2, by Skylord**

1st Dam: No Little Angel, by Lord Carson

2nd Dam: Arctic Valley, by Arctic Tern

3rd Dam: Seven Valleys, by Road At Sea

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Spooky Hollow Racing Inc (IN); T-John L Langemeier; J-Marcelino Pedroza. \$45,920. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$66,920. *Third SW for sire (by Sky Mesa).

2--**Rockin All Night, 119, g, 2, Pass Rush--Utesa, by Edgington.** O/B/T-R Gary Patrick (IN). \$15,307.

3--**Betsdownletsride, 122, g, 2, Sangaree--Convey, by Tale of the Cat.** O-Herbert & Darlene Likens; B-Herbert Likens (IN); T-Cipriano Contreras. \$8,419.

Margins: 1HF, HF, 2HF. Odds: 6.50, 32.20, 0.30.

Also Ran: Manuelito, Parker, Volacious, Kingoftherainbow, Joe Cool.

Dillsboro Devil overcame a bit of a slow start en route to a 4 1/4-length debut success Oct. 13 and was the third betting choice trying stakes company for the first time here. Drawn two as he was for his bow, the homebred set the pace from the two path as heavily favored Betsdownletsride argued from the fence. Dillsboro Devil began to get the better of the battle on the turn, opened up leaving the three-sixteenths marker and held sway late. No Little Angel is the dam of a weanling filly by Shackleford and was bred back to Skylord. Trainer John Langemeier owned and trained Twilight Eclipse (Purim) and campaigned him to two wins from two starts before selling him on to West Point Thoroughbreds in 2012. Twilight Eclipse went on to win the 2015 GI Man O'War S., made four appearances in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf and earned better than \$2 million following his sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

Friday, Remington Park, post time: 11:23 p.m. CT

CLEVER TREVOR S., \$60,000, 2yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Hulen	Tapiture	Elliott	Asmussen	5-2
2	Game Day Play	Violence	Wade	Calhoun	3-1
3	Gushing Oil	Dialed In	Luzzi	Pish	4-1
4	Carpe Luna	Carpe Diem	Vazquez	Asmussen	6-1
5	Bobby Brinkley	Shanghai Bobby	Cabrera	Calhoun	5-1
6	Red N Wild	Bayern	Doyle	Eoff	10-1
7	Stans Hookin Bull	Lookin At Lucky	Diego	Jacks	20-1

*Results will appear in Sunday's TDN



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Churchill Downs, \$52,495, Alw, 10-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.71, sy, 6 1/4 lengths.

ATTACHMENT RATE (c, 3, Hard Spun--Aristra, by Afleet Alex), third in the GIII Gotham S. over the winter, was runner-up to Dr Post (Quality Road) in the Unbridled S. in April and behind Art Collector (Bernardini) in the Runhappy Ellis Park Derby Aug. 9 ahead of a 14th in the GI Kentucky Derby Sept. 5.



Attachment Rate | Coady

Favored at 1-2 to snap a six-race skid dating back to February, Attachment Rate was asked for speed by Joe Talamo and disputed the early fractions from a fairly tight spot down inside. Held together on the second turn, Attachment Rate began to work clear under vigorous handling entering the final furlong and a half and drew off to be 6 1/4 lengths to the good at the wire. **Cont. p2**

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Gherardini (Bernardini) splashes home an impressive debut winner at Laurel Park.

6th-Churchill, cont.

The Virginia-bred is out of a half-sister to the stakes-winning dams of GISWs Data Link (War Front) and Hymn Book (Arch) and has a yearling half-sister by Classic Empire. Aristra was most recently covered by Laoban. Sales history: \$100,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSP, 10-2-3-1, \$171,172. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Jim Bakke & Gerald Isbister; B-C Oliver Iselin (VA); T-Dale L Romans.



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Churchill Downs, \$86,430, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:05.93, sy, 7 3/4 lengths.

TRAIN TO ARTEMUS (f, 2, Tapizar--Pay Day Kitten, by Kitten's Joy) set the early pace when well-bet for her Sept. 15 debut sprinting at Kentucky Downs before giving way to finish third. Allowed to take her chance when this heat came off the grass, the Ramsey homebred made the most of the opportunity, dictating terms beneath Gerardo Corrales before streaking home by 7 3/4 lengths. Train to Artemus has a yearling half-sister by Overanalyze and a weanling half-sister by Constitution. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$58,092. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY); T-Wesley A Ward.



Train to Artemus | Coady

7th-Belmont, \$80,000, Msw, 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23.72, sy, 6 3/4 lengths.

UNDINE (f, 3, Broken Vow--The Vapors, by Congrats), a running-on fourth in a single appearance for Shug McGaughey this time last year, endured a wide trip and did well to be third in a maiden over six furlongs here Oct. 2. Hard-ridden by Javier Castellano to secure the early lead, the Shortleaf homebred covered the opening half in a strong :44.97 while pressured by favored Tactical Move (First Defence), turned that one away approaching the lane and went through his gears in the final quarter to score by a good-looking 6 3/4 lengths. Seaside Retreat (Blame) ran on for second. The winner's dam has a yearling filly by Midnight Lute and a weanling Cairo Prince colt. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$56,060. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Shortleaf Stable Inc (KY); T-Brad H Cox.



2nd-Belmont, \$70,000, (S), Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 6f (off turf), 1:10.78, sy, 4 1/4 lengths.

STORM SHOOTER (c, 2, Twirling Candy--Nice Boots Baby {SW, \$126,627}, by Storm Boot) was favored at 70 cents on the dollar and made the early running in his Sept. 25 debut over track and distance before weakening late to finish third. The money was on early for this second go, but he eased out to 9-5 and made light work of his rivals. The \$100,000 SARAUG yearling turned \$180,000 OBSAPR breezer argued the pace inside of 103-1 Production Credit (Central Banker), put that one away in upper stretch and splashed home a 4 1/4-length winner. Storm Shooter is a half-brother to Orinoquia (Whywhywhy), SW & GISP, \$210,042, the dam of SW & MGSP Top Line Growth (Tapizar), and also has a yearling half-brother by Bodemeister. Sales history: Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$44,740. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-MyRaceHorse Stable; B-Jerry Bilinski (NY); T-Todd A Pletcher.



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Maiden Winners cont.

5th-Woodbine, C\$62,109, Moc (\$30,026), 10-29, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.66, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

LOADED QUESTION (f, 2, Reload--Stormy Adieu {SP}, by Silic {Fr}) was one of two first-time starters and left the gates as a 14-1 chance. Soon in front, the Ontario-bred took them along at a good clip, traveled like a winner on the turn and was never really asked for her best in scoring by a comfortable 1 3/4-lengths while ridden hands and heels through the line. The seventh winner for her freshman sire (by Hard Spun), Loaded Question has a yearling half-brother by Where's The Ring and a weanling half-sister by Souper Speedy. Stormy Adieu was covered by Tonalist this year. Sales history: C\$82,000 RNA Ylg '19 CANSEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$28,960. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Frank D Di Giulio Jr (ON); T-Robert P Tiller.



5th-Laurel, \$46,000, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 1m (off turf), 1:41.41, sy, 5 1/2 lengths.

GHERARDINI (f, 2, Bernardini--Brush Hour, by Broad Brush) was sent off the 3-2 choice in this maiden rained off the grass and onto a Zeta-affected main track at Laurel and sustained a rally for the better part of 3 1/2 furlongs to graduate by an impressive 5 1/2 lengths. Away clearly last beneath Sheldon Russell, the \$150,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase was ridden quietly from about third last before being asked to improve a long way from home. The bay made eye-catching progress as she looped her rivals widest on the track, but nevertheless made the lead under a hold with a quarter-mile to gallop and kicked on nicely to prevail by daylight. Our Bella Nicole (Honor Code) rallied down the center for second. Gherardini is a half-sister to Brushed by a Star (Eddington), MGSW & GISP, \$644,031; and to Thethiefatmidnight (Cat Thief), Ch. 3yo Filly, Ch. Older Mare & MSW-PR, \$404,509. Gherardini is bred on the same cross over Broad Brush responsible for Dueling Grounds Oaks winner and GI QE II Challenge Cup runner-up Micheline and has a weanling half-brother by More Than Ready. Sales history: \$150,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables & Robert V LaPenta; B-Tony Holmes & Godolphin (KY); T-Brittany Russell.



4th-Gulfstream West, \$37,000, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 1m, 1:38.94, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

KIGER (c, 2, Verrazano--Georgia, by Tiz Wonderful) was an even fourth trying six furlongs first time out at Gulfstream Sept. 19 and was the 11-10 chalk stretching out to two turns for the first time. Taken in hand to sit a stalking trip outside the pacesetter, the homebred eased to the front at the three-eighths and looked home free. Carpenter Call (Tourist), the 17-10 second pick, took a good run at the leader entering the final furlong, but Kiger repelled the bid and went on to score by 2 1/4 lengths. The cleverly named Georgia is represented by a weanling Lord Nelson filly and was bred back to Cloud Computing. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$23,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Peachtree Stable (KY); T-Saffie A Joseph Jr.

6th-Gulfstream West, \$36,000, (S), Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 6f, 1:11.18, ft, 5 lengths.

BIG THORN (c, 2, The Big Beast--Save a Rose, by Super Saver) missed by a length in second against open company across town Sept. 26 and was favored at 6-5 to go one better in with fellow Florida-breds this time around. Out of camera view early as 42-1 Warrior's Pride (Poseidon's Warrior) set suicidal fractions, Big Thorn found his best stride rounding the turn, attacked two wide into the lane and raced away to graduate by five lengths. Produced by a full-sister to SW & MGSP Hedge Fund and a half to MGSW Stanford (Malibu Moon), Big Thorn has a yearling half-brother by Frosted and a weanling full-brother. Save a Rose went back to The Big Beast this past breeding season. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$34,100. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Alex & JoAnn Lieblong (FL); T-David Fawkes.

5th-Indiana Grand, \$31,000, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:39.85, sy, 1 length.

POCA MUCHA (f, 2, Tourist--Lost Badge, by Badge of Silver) became the seventh winner for her freshman sire (by Tiznow), skimming the rail in the final 50 yards to be up in time. Lightly regarded at 19-1 off a modestly rated sprint debut at Belterra Park Oct. 2, Poca Mucha secured the box-seat trip from gate one, but was getting turn-down reminders from Alex Achard fully a half-mile from home. Busily ridden at one pace at the midpoint of the turn, the dark bay kept plugging away and surged through at the fence to best pace-setting second favorite Walk Me Home (Air Force Blue) by a length. Heavily favored Demeter (Bernardini) stalked the pace and was given every conceivable chance, but was forced to settle for third. Poca Mucha is out of a half-sister to 2009 Breeders' S. winner Perfect Shower (Perfect Soul {Ire}) and has a yearling half-brother

named Quase La (Outwork). Her dam was bred to The Factor and Mizzen Mast this past season. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$20,010. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**
O/B-Brownwood Farm LLC (KY); T-Paulo H Lobo.



IN THE UAE:

Lahmoom, g, 4, **Exchange Rate**–Mykindasaint (MSW-US, \$171,228), by Saint Ballado. Al Ain, 10-29, Hcp. (AED70k), 1000m, :59.84, ft. O-Alqemah Racing Team. B-Jim Wells & Candy Meadows LLC (KY). T-Salem bin Ghadayer. *\$10,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT; \$35,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Malibu Saint (Malibu Moon), SW-US, \$103,261.



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In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this Saturday running at Kyoto and Tokyo Racecourses. Former Horse of the Year Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) makes her first start since June in defense of her title in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn), a race connections will use as a springboard to potential targets at home and/or abroad over the next six weeks:

Saturday, October 31, 2020

5th-KYO, ¥13,400,000 (\$128k), Newcomers, 2yo, 2000mT

VICTORION (JPN) (c, 2, Uncle Mo–Easter Island, by Giant's Causeway) is the first foal for his dam, an unraced daughter of GISW Awesome Maria (Maria's Mon), who was purchased for \$350K carrying this foal in utero at the 2017 Keeneland November Sale. Victorion, whose female family includes Grade I winners Discreet Cat and Discreetly Mine, was purchased for ¥20 million (\$180,400) as a foal at the 2018 JRHA Select Sale and his yearling half-sister by successful young sire Duramente (Jpn) made ¥22 million (\$206,785) at the Hokkaido Summer Yearling Sale this past August. Easter Island also has a weanling colt by Orfevre (Jpn). *B-Hidaka Taiyo Bokujo*

6th-TOK, ¥13,400,000 (\$128k), Newcomers, 2yo, 1600m

AMERICAN YELL (c, 2, Tapit–Sindy With an S, by Broken Vow), a \$700K KEESEP purchase, is out of a Grade III-winning dam who has already worked well with this sire, producing SW & GSP My Miss Tapit and the GSP duo I'll Wrap It Up and Rattataptap. Owner Katsumi Yoshizawa, who campaigned Master Fencer (Jpn) (Just A Way {Jpn}) in the 2019 Triple Crown, also races SP American Seed (Tapit), who aired by seven lengths in his first start on dirt last weekend. *B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd (KY)*

ANNUNCIATION (c, 2, Union Rags–Acquant, by Giant's Causeway) is the first produce for his three-time winning dam, a daughter of dual Grade III winner Social Queen (Dynaformer), whose son Force The Pass (Speightstown) took out the 2015 GI Belmont Derby Invitational S. A \$230K KEESEP acquisition, the chestnut is a half-brother to an Arrogate colt that was bought back for \$425K at KEESEP last month and a weanling colt by Mastery. *B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY)*

NIGHT FROLIC (c, 2, Into Mischief–Frolic's Revenge, by Vindication) is out of a five-time stakes winner that has already been responsible for SW American Frolic (Blame) and SP Mc Awesome (Super Saver). The April foal's MSW second dam Stormy Frolic (Summer Squall) was a daughter of GSW Lindsay Frolic (Mt. Livermore), whose 10 winners from 12 to race included GSW/MGISP Super Frolic (Pine Bluff). Night Frolic cost \$300K at KEESEP. *B-Woodford Thoroughbreds (KY)*

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

Air Force Blue (War Front), Ashford Stud, \$15,000

107 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Laurel, Msw 1mT, NUUK, 12-1

California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit), Arrow Stud, private

104 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Belmont, Msw 6f, MAGNIFICENT CHROME, 30-1
\$175,000 FTS AUG yrl; \$37,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Den's Legacy (Medaglia d'Oro), Mighty Acres, \$2,000

22 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Remington, Msw 5 1/2f, RUN SLEWY RUN, 20-1

Exaggerator (Curlin), WinStar Farm, \$20,000

124 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
10-Churchill Downs, Msw 1 1/16mT, DRAMATIZER, 20-1
\$22,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl
4-Belmont, Msw 1 1/16m, EMMA AND I, 20-1
\$32,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Frosted (Tapit), Darley, \$40,000

125 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Belmont, Msw 1 1/16m, FROSTED BOURBON, 8-1
\$240,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$120,000 FTK OCT yrl

Laoban (Uncle Mo), Sequel New York, \$5,000

79 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Laurel, Msw 1mT, TALES OF SARATOGA, 20-1
\$23,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$19,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$37,000 RNA
OBS MAR 2yo; \$9,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Mosler (War Front), Country Life Farm, \$4,000

73 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Laurel, Wmc 6f, HELLO HOT ROD, 3-1
\$10,000 EAS OCT yrl

Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro), Taylor Made Farm, \$10,000

88 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Laurel, Msw 1mT, ELUSIVE, 20-1

Not This Time (Giant's Causeway), Taylor Made Farm, \$12,500

111 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Laurel, Wmc 6f, IT'S SIZZLING TIME, 9-2
\$1,000 EAS OCT yrl

3-Laurel, Aoc 1m, OMATI, 12-1

\$70,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$70,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$50,000
OBS MAR 2yo

Nyquist (Uncle Mo), Darley, \$40,000

94 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners
10-Churchill Downs, Msw 1 1/16mT, PRINCESS THEOREM, 6-1
\$85,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; \$10,000 FTK JUL yrl

Slumber (GB) (Cacique {Ire}), Calumet Farm, \$5,000

16 foals of racing age/1 winner/1 black-type winner
4-Belmont, Msw 1 1/16m, MARVELOUS MAUDE, 3-1

War Dancer (War Front), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$7,500

73 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Laurel, Msw 1mT, HEROIC DEED, 6-1
4-Belmont, Msw 1 1/16m, SALUKI, 15-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000

157 foals of racing age/66 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Remington, \$60K Clever Trevor S., 7f, RED N WILD, 10-1
\$9,000 KEE SEP yrl

Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$15,000

231 foals of racing age/53 winners/3 black-type winners
8-Remington, \$60K Clever Trevor S., 7f, CARPE LUNA, 6-1
\$35,000 KEE SEP yrl

Last Gunfighter (First Samurai), Pin Oak Lane Farm

36 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
11-Penn National, Msw 6f, QUEEN ROSEMARY, 15-1

Race Day (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500

149 foals of racing age/44 winners/4 black-type winners
1-Remington, Msw 5 1/2f, SMOKEY REFLECTION, 20-1

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500

247 foals of racing age/86 winners/6 black-type winners
8-Remington, \$60K Clever Trevor S., 7f, HULEN, 5-2
\$50,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$295,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

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STAKES RESULTS:

LADY FOG HORN S., (NB) \$100,000, Indiana Grand, 10-28, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45.76, sy.

1--**FIREBALL BABY, 126, f, 4, Noble's Promise--Bubbles and Babies, by A.P. Indy.** O/B-Rigney Racing LLC (IN); T-Philip A Bauer; J-Marcelino Pedroza. \$59,400. Lifetime Record: MSW, 18-5-1-4, \$335,361.

2--**Unbridled Class, 126, m, 5, Unbridled Express--Miss Carmelite, by Mutakddim.** O/B-L T B Inc & Hillerich Racing Inc (IN); T-Bernard S Flint. \$19,800.

3--**Expect Indy, 126, m, 7, Mr. Mabee--Jet n' Expectation, by Valid Expectations.** O-Gumpster Stable LLC; B-Lake Shore Farm (IN); T-Cipriano Contreras. \$10,890.

Margins: 4HF, 1HF, NO. Odds: 3.20, 1.50, 1.50.

UNREACHABLE STAR S., (NB) \$100,000, Indiana Grand, 10-28, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.30, sy.

1--**UPHOLD, 121, g, 5, Lentenor--On the Point, by Point Given.** O-Clabar Mor Stables LLC & Haran Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Colette Marie VanMatre (IN); T-John Haran; J-Angel Rodriguez. \$57,600. Lifetime Record: 20-6-2-2, \$198,671. *1/2 to Defining Hope (Strong Hope), MSW, \$306,238.

2--**Redskiesatnight, 118, g, 3, Blueskiesrainbows--Redverse, by Menifee.** O/B-Bad Boy Racing LLC (IN); T-Brad H Cox. \$19,200.

3--**Barefootbootlegger, 117, g, 4, Storm's Eye--Good Whiskey, by Indian Charlie.** (\$4,500 Ylg '17 PEDIND). O-Clabar Mor Stables LLC & Haran Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Triple D Partners LLC (IN); T-John Haran. \$10,560.

Margins: 1, 2HF, NK. Odds: 33.10, 5.20, 44.10.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Belmont, \$88,000, Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, 6f (off turf), 1:09.16, sy, 1 3/4 lengths.

ABSENTEE (c, 4, Fed Biz-Truant, by Gone West) Lifetime Record: SP, 15-5-5-3, \$250,970. O/B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); T-Jorge Duarte Jr. *\$85,000 RNA 2yo '18 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Dream Kirari (Giant's Causeway), SW & MGSP-Jpn, \$1,517,205.



9th-Churchill Downs, \$84,875, 10-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/4m (off turf), 2:05.89, sy, 5 1/2 lengths.

NEPAL UP (c, 4, Will Take Charge--Golden Crown {Uru}, by T. H. Approval) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-1, \$75,587. O-Brownwood Farm LLC; B-Haras Phillipson Inc (KY); T-Paulo H Lobo.

8th-Churchill Downs, \$83,273, Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.76, sy, 3 3/4 lengths.

CLUB CAR (f, 4, Malibu Moon--Sittin At the Bar {MSW & GSP, \$705,896}, by Into Mischief) Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-3, \$252,872. O-Michael & Katherine G Ball; B-Brett A Brinkman & P Dale Ladner (KY); T-Ben Colebrook. *\$120,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Jack the Umpire (Bodemeister), SW, \$173,800; and Cilla (California Chrome), GISP.

7th-Laurel, \$43,260, 10-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:04.69, sy, 1 length.

EGO MAN (g, 3, Constitution--Miss Narcissist {MSW, \$241,970}, by Freud) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$71,390. O-Colts Neck Stables LLC; B-Pippa's Hurricane (KY); T-Jorge Duarte Jr. *\$110,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$130,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR.



6th-Indiana Grand, \$32,500, Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:44.19, sy, 4 1/2 lengths.

ADDISON (f, 3, Shackleford--Philadelphia Gold, by Touch Gold) Lifetime Record: 15-2-5-0, \$84,930. O-Contreras Stable & Andrew Knapczyk; B-Sheltowee Farm, Michael E Evans II & Travis A Evans & My Meadowview LLC (KY); T-Cipriano Contreras. *\$40,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$90,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. **1/2 to Ohio Gold (Wilburn), SW, \$279,797.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cross of Galilee, g, 2, Anthony's Cross--Belle Mistique, by General Quarters. Indiana Grand, 10-29, (S), 1m, 1:42.52. B-Thomas Foley (IN). *\$17,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP.

Double Whopper, f, 2, Maclean's Music--Cheyenne Autumn, by Indian Charlie. Indiana Grand, 10-29, 6f, 1:13.39. B-Johnson Galvin & Flounders (KY). *\$13,000 RNA Ylg '19 FTKUL.

Tapit's Girl, f, 2, Tapiture--Flashy Thunder (SP, \$151,086), by Thunder Gulch. Laurel, 10-29, (WC), 6f, 1:13.23. B-Michael Gentry (KY). *\$1,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV. **1/2 to Sound of Thunder (Stephen Got Even), SW, \$145,946.

Targe, f, 2, Will Take Charge--Curio, by Bernardini. Laurel, 10-29, (WC), 6f, 1:12.79. B-Country Life Farm & Curio Broodmare LLC (MD). *\$19,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV.



Waltzing Champ, g, 3, Ghostzapper--First Waltz, by Medaglia d'Oro. Woodbine, 10-29, 7fT, 1:24.07. B-Adena Springs (ON).

Tenderfoot, g, 3, Graydar--Chechako (SP, \$106,010), by Invasor (Arg). Belmont, 10-29, (C), 7f (off turf), 1:24.25. B-Marylou Whitney Stables LLC (KY).

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ANTHONY'S CROSS, Cross of Galilee, g, 2, o/o Belle Mistique, by General Quarters. MSW, 10-29, Indiana Grand

BERNARDINI, Gherardini, f, 2, o/o Brush Hour, by Broad Brush. MSW, 10-29, Laurel

BROKEN VOW, Undine, f, 3, o/o The Vapors, by Congrats. MSW, 10-29, Belmont

CONSTITUTION, Ego Man, g, 3, o/o Miss Narcissist, by Freud. ALW, 10-29, Laurel

FED BIZ, Absentee, c, 4, o/o Truant, by Gone West. AOC, 10-29, Belmont

GHOSTZAPPER, Waltzing Champ, g, 3, o/o First Waltz, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 10-29, Woodbine

GRAYDAR, Tenderfoot, g, 3, o/o Cheechako, by Invasor (Arg). MCL, 10-29, Belmont

HARD SPUN, Attachment Rate, c, 3, o/o Aristra, by Afleet Alex. ALW, 10-29, Churchill Downs

LENTENOR, Uphold, g, 5, o/o On the Point, by Point Given. Unreachable Star S., 10-28, Indiana Grand

MACLEAN'S MUSIC, Double Whopper, f, 2, o/o Cheyenne Autumn, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 10-29, Indiana Grand.

MALIBU MOON, Club Car, f, 4, o/o Sittin At the Bar, by Into Mischief. AOC, 10-29, Churchill Downs

NOBLE'S PROMISE, Fireball Baby, f, 4, o/o Bubbles and Babies, by A.P. Indy. Lady Fog Horn S., 10-28, Indiana Grand

RELOAD, Loaded Question, f, 2, o/o Stormy Adieu, by Silic (Fr). MOC, 10-29, Woodbine

SHACKLEFORD, Addison, f, 3, o/o Philadelphia Gold, by Touch Gold. AOC, 10-29, Indiana Grand

SKYLORD, Dillsboro Devil, g, 2, o/o No Little Angel, by Lord Carson. Crown Ambassador S., 10-28, Indiana Grand

TAPITURE, Tapit's Girl, f, 2, o/o Flashy Thunder, by Thunder Gulch. WMC, 10-29, Laurel

TAPIZAR, Train to Artemus, f, 2, o/o Pay Day Kitten, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs

THE BIG BEAST, Big Thorn, c, 2, o/o Save a Rose, by Super Saver. MSW, 10-29, Gulfstream West

TOURIST, Poca Mucha, f, 2, o/o Lost Badge, by Badge of Silver. MSW, 10-29, Indiana Grand

TWIRLING CANDY, Storm Shooter, c, 2, o/o Nice Boots Baby, by Storm Boot. MSW, 10-29, Belmont

VERRAZANO, Kiger, c, 2, o/o Georgia, by Tiz Wonderful. MSW, 10-29, Gulfstream West

WILL TAKE CHARGE, Nepal Up, c, 4, o/o Golden Crown (Uru), by T. H. Approval. ALW, 10-29, Churchill Downs

WILL TAKE CHARGE, Targe, f, 2, o/o Curio, by Bernardini. WMC, 10-29, Laurel



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MAGIC WAND RETIRED AFTER FOOT ABSCESS RULES OUT OZ START



Magic Wand & Ryan Moore winning the Mackinnon | Bronwen Healy

Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}–Prudenzia {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}), a winner of the 2019 G1 Mackinnon S., has been retired from racing and will join Coolmore Stud’s broodmare band in Ireland next year, Coolmore Australia tweeted on Thursday morning. The 5-year-old was due to defend her title in the Mackinnon S., but was withdrawn with a foot abscess prior to the race.

“Following a foot abscess as she was preparing for a second tilt at the Mackinnon S., Magic Wand has been retired and will join our broodmare band in Ireland,” the stud tweeted. “She has been a wonderful mare for Coolmore and our partners and much loved by her strapper Yvonne.”

Bred by Ecurie des Monceaux and Skymarc Farm in Ireland, the daughter of French listed heroine Prudenzia brought €1.4 million to top the 2016 Arqana August Sale and join Aidan O’Brien’s string at Ballydoyle. A winner of the 2018 G2 Ribblesdale S. at Royal Ascot and Listed Cheshire Oaks, the bay rolled a pair of twos in the G1 Qatar Prix Vermeille and G1 Prix de l’Opera Longines prior to running fourth in the GI Breeders’ Cup Filly & Mare Turf to end her sophomore season. Wheeled back in the GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational S. in January of 2019, she was second to subsequent U.S. Horse of the Year Bricks and Mortar (Giant’s Causeway). [Cont. p2](#)

BREEDING STOCK NUMBERS FALL AGAIN IN 2020

It’s not a new phenomenon for a Flat stallion to switch to a National Hunt stud and suddenly find himself in strong demand and that was certainly the case this year for **Maxios (GB)**, who moved from Gestut Fahrhof to Castlehyde Stud, where he covered 298 mares.

Weatherbys, which has just published its annual *Return Of Mares*, records the son of Monsun (Ger) as the busiest stallion of 2020 in Britain and Ireland, while the most in-demand freshman sire was **Crystal Ocean (GB)**, who covered 280 mares at The Beeches Stud.

The book also shows a decline in the combined foal crops of the two countries to be 5%, falling from 13,443 in 2019 to 12,778. Weatherbys does, however, issue the caveat that foal registrations have been carried out later by some breeders owing to “the unique challenges presented by Covid”, and that could lead to a higher number of foals being registered between the end of September and next February’s *Return Of Mares Supplement*. [Cont. p3](#)



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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

FASIG-TIPTON KENTUCKY OCTOBER WRAPS

The four-day Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October Yearling Sale concluded on Thursday in Lexington. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

Magic Wand Retired Cont. from p1

Her busy 2019 also included stops in Dubai and the UK (twice), as well as two other trips Stateside for a third in the GI Man o'War S. in May and another second to Bricks and Mortar in August's GI Arlington Million S. She also made two journeys to Ireland for seconds in the G1 Pretty Polly S. in the summer and later in September the G1 Irish Champion S.

Despite all the travel, Magic Wand appeared to thrive and was making her ninth start of the year when fourth in last October's G1 Cox Plate. Unplaced in the 2019 G1 Melbourne Cup, she claimed the Mackinnon just four days later on Nov. 9 for a thoroughly deserved Group 1 victory. The Aidan O'Brien trainee then missed by just a nose in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup in December.

After another second in the Pegasus World Cup Turf on Jan. 25, Magic Wand was unplaced in the inaugural \$20-million Saudi Cup on dirt in February. Given four months on the bench, she saluted in the G2 Lanwades Stud S. on July 5. In three more 2020 starts in the UK and Ireland, her best performance was a fourth in the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. in July. The world traveler's record stands at 28-4-9-2 and \$4,702,433 in earnings.

A half-sister to Irish highweight and G1 Irish Oaks victress Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) who made €600,000 at Arqana

August in 2011 and later sold for €6 million at the 2013 Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale, Magic Wand is also a full-sister to the 4-year-old filly G3 Prix de Royaumont third Je Ne Regretterien (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), a €950,000 Arqana August yearling.

Her dam's 2017 colt Enemy (GB) (Muhaarar {GB}) brought €420,000 two years ago at Arqana, while her 2018 Dubawi (Ire) filly Philomene (Ire) made €1.625 million last year. Her latest, a full-brother to Magic Wand, was her best sale yet. The colt was picked up by Coolmores MV Magnier for €2 million to top this year's sale, which was incidentally held in September due to COVID-19.

Prudenzia is a half-sister to [Wednesday's Tattersalls Autumn Horses in Training Sale topper English King \(Fr\) \(Camelot {GB}\)](#), who made 925,000gns and is en route to Australia, as well as GSW Pacificque (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}). Under the blue-blooded fourth dam Souk (Ire) (Ahoonora {GB}) are Irish highweight and G1 Epsom Oaks winner Alexandrova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1 Melbourne Cup hero Rekindling (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}), G1 Cheveley Park S. scorer Magical Romance (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}), and the Classic-placed duo of Masterofthehorse (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Golden Sword (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}).

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Magic Wand easily taking the G2 Lanwades Stud S. at The Curragh this June. | [Racingfotos.com](#)

EUROPEAN NEWS

Report of Mares Bred Cont. from p1

The registered shortfall for now is more pronounced in Britain, where the number of foals dropped by 9% to 4,236, the steepest reduction since a 16% drop in 2010. The numbers rose steadily during the middle of the last decade, to a recent high of 4,674 in 2017. In Ireland, the foal crop was down by 2.8% year-on-year to 8,542, the third consecutive small reduction since 9,044 foals were registered in 2017.

Similarly, the number of mares at stud in Britain dropped and is now 8,161 compared to 9,015 just three years ago, with almost 86% of those mares having been covered in 2020. The reduction in broodmare numbers in Ireland has been more modest and currently stands at 14,201 compared to 14,434 in 2017, with 89% having been covered.

The number of recorded coverings in 2020 was also down—to 19,961 from 20,819 in 2017. Ireland lost 20 stallions from its ranks in 2020 and now has 232, while Britain's tally was down by just three to 149.

The *Return Of Mares* can be bought from the Weatherbys offices at Tattersalls or Goffs during the sales and can also be ordered online [via this link](#).

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TATTERSALLS HIT SALE CONCLUDES

The four-day Tattersalls Horses-in-Training Sale concluded in muted fashion on Thursday following the highlight provided on Wednesday by the sale of English King (Fr) (Camelot {GB}) to Australia for 925,000gns.

It took just 37,000gns to top the final session, that price being bid by Nick Bradley of Glebe Farm for the New Approach (Ire) 3-year-old **Citronella (GB)** (lot 1405) from the celebrated family of High Hawk (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}).

The strong clearance rate which had been the hallmark of the October Yearling Sales at Park Paddocks continued throughout this week, with 88% of the 1,105 horses offered being sold. This was down slightly from 90% in 2019 but was still an impressive figure given that many of the sale's regular international buyers were unable to travel this year, a factor which was remarked upon by the company's chairman Edmond Mahony in his closing statement. [Cont. p4](#)



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OLE KIRK TO VINERY UPON RETIREMENT

Ole Kirk (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}) will stand at Vinery Stud when he is retired. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)

Tattersalls Autumn HIT Sale Cont.

He said, “The Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale is a uniquely international fixture and to stage it amidst such widespread global travel restrictions was a daunting prospect, but yet again the industry has risen to the challenge.

“The sale understandably lacked some of its customary vibrancy with so many of our regular overseas buyers unable to travel, but the market has again held up remarkably well, particularly at the top end where we have seen a record sale price for a colt of 925,000gns and double last year’s number of lots sold for more than 300,000 guineas. It is a similar scenario to the recent Tattersalls October Yearling Sales. Quality bloodstock remains a coveted commodity and the status of the Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale as the premier sale of its type in the world is based on consistent achievement on racecourses throughout the world.”

Overall the sale’s key indicators dipped, with the aggregate of 21,375,100gns being down by 14%, while the average fell by 13% to 22,384gns and the median by 25% to 9,000gns.

Despite the travel restrictions, there was notable participation from Australian trainers, with New Zealand-born Michael Moroney buying three lots through his brother Paul and their agent on the ground in Newmarket, Armando Duarte. The trio accounted for 1,475,000gns of the sale’s turnover, while fellow New Zealander and Sydney’s leading trainer Chris Waller, acting through John Ferguson, bought five horses for a total of 935,000gns. Ciaran Maher and Annabel Neasham were also active, along with syndicators Australian Bloodstock, Dynamic Syndications and Darby Racing.

New Saudi Arabian venture Najd Stud was also one of the sale’s leading buyers with four horses purchased through Ted Voute for 935,000gns. [Cont. p5](#)



Horses on display at Park Paddocks | Tattersalls

Tattersalls Autumn HIT Sale Cont.

Mahony continued, “It is no coincidence that the most notable feature of the international influence this week has been the contribution from Australian and Saudi Arabian connections. The inaugural \$30-million Saudi Cup night in February this year saw the connections of two Autumn Horses-in-Training purchases standing proudly in the winner’s enclosure and there have been four individual Australian Group 1 winners from the sale since 2019. Success-driven demand is the key to so many sales at Tattersalls and it has been especially evident at all levels of this year’s market.

“Equally important has been the role of the live internet and telephone bidding facilities which have both played a crucial part in enabling participation from buyers unable to attend the sale in person. We all crave the return of some semblance of normality to everyday life, but in the meantime we are having to explore all possible ways in which to facilitate business and the live internet and telephone bidding platforms have been vital innovations which have proved particularly well suited to this sector of the bloodstock market.”

As French sales company Arqana announced on Thursday that it is reviewing its remaining sales for the year in light of a new month-long lockdown in France, Mahony expressed his gratitude that the Horses-in-Training Sale had been able to take place in Newmarket.

He added, “As ever in this turbulent year we must also express our thanks to everyone who has participated in the sale this week. The challenges we all face show few signs of abating, but yet again everyone has conducted themselves with commendable patience and determination. We continue to be enormously grateful for this collective spirit of cooperation and now look forward to the December Foal and Breeding Stock Sale, incorporating the Cheltenham December Sale, which will bring the 2020 Tattersalls sales season at Park Paddocks to a conclusion.”

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SESSION TOTALS	2020	2019
• Catalogued	368	287
• Number Offered	229	202
• Number Sold	205	190
• Not Sold	24	12
• Clearance Rate	90%	94%
• High Price	37,000gns	40,000gns
• Gross	1,246,300gns	1,356,400gns
• Average (% change)	6,080gns (-15%)	7,139gns
• Median (% change)	4,000gns (-20%)	5,000gns
CUMULATIVE	2020	2019
• Catalogued	1625	1562
• Number Offered	1105	1097
• Number Sold	971	985
• Not Sold	134	112
• Clearance Rate	88%	90%
• High Price	925,000gns	625,000gns
• Gross	21,735,100gns	25,393,400gns
• Average (% change)	22,384gns (-13%)	25,780gns
• Median (% change)	9,000gns (-25%)	12,000gns

RACING CONTINUES AMID NEW LOCKDOWNS

Racing in France and Germany looks set to continue behind closed doors after both countries have been placed in new temporary lockdowns.

The rising rates of coronavirus across Europe means that, as of midnight on Thursday, France will return to lockdown conditions seen earlier in 2020, with only essential journeys being permitted and restaurants, bars and most shops closed for all bar essential provisions. [Cont. p6](#)



CLASSIC WINNING DUBAWI

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JACINTH makes all to win by 5 lengths in the 7f Novice Stakes at Lingfield yesterday.
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Masked spectators at Deauville | Emma Berry

Racing Continues in France/Germany Cont.

However, the country’s sports minister Roxana Maracineanu has confirmed that professional sport can continue and that professional athletes are allowed to train and to travel to competitions.

France is one of the few European nations to have welcomed

spectators back to racecourses in a limited capacity, with up to 5,000 people allowed on French racecourses throughout the summer and up to this week in areas which had not already succumbed to tighter Covid-related restrictions. Though no announcement has yet been made by France Galop, it seems likely that from Friday only key personnel accompanying horses will be allowed to go racing in France, with the current lockdown in place until at least Dec. 1.

The situation in Germany is similar, with racing being allowed to continue behind closed doors during a newly announced four-week lockdown, which is set to commence on Nov. 2.

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TARNAWA ON SONG FOR BREEDERS’ CUP

MG1SW **Tarnawa (Ire)** (Shamardal) is in good form heading toward a start in the Breeders’ Cup at Keeneland on Nov. 7. The 4-year-old filly who races in the colours of His Highness The Aga Khan is cross entered in both the GI Longines Breeders’ Cup Turf and the GI Maker’s Mark Filly & Mare Turf. Christophe Soumillon has the ride. The chestnut has won all three starts this year beginning in the G3 Give Thanks S. at Cork on Aug. 8. She later added the Sept. 13 G1 Qatar Prix Vermeille and the Oct. 4 G1 Prix de l’Opera Longines, both at ParisLongchamp. [Cont. p7](#)



Sir Dragonet ridden by trainer Ciaran Maher at Mordialloc Beach. | Bronwen Healy



Tarnawa | Scoop Dyga

Tarnawa Cont.

“I’ve been delighted with Tarnawa,” said trainer Dermot Weld. “We purposefully planned an autumn campaign with her. She won the Prix Vermeille very nicely and went back and won the Prix de l’Opera and has progressed from those two Group 1 wins. We’ve kept her on the same training schedule. She’s a very straightforward filly to train. She did a nice bit of sharp work last week and I was very happy with the way she went.

“It’s pretty certain that she’ll go to the Turf. It’s a pretty tight track with a short straight and there will likely be a bigger field in the Filly & Mare race, so the chance of getting a bad draw increases. Christophe Soumillon will definitely ride her. I thought he gave her two perfect rides when she won her two Group 1s and you don’t break a winning combination.”

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ARQANA MULLING ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS AS FRENCH COVID RESTRICTIONS TIGHTEN

Following the news that French President Emmanuel Macron is tightening COVID-19 restrictions, Arqana announced they are considering several options for their remaining 2020 sales. A decision on new sale dates and formats will be made early next week.

“We spoke with the local authorities this morning and received confirmation that the upcoming sales will have to follow a different organization from the one in place at the recent October Yearling Sale,” said Arqana CEO Eric Hoyer. “Several alternative options remain on the table and we are working hard to review them and come up with a solution that would allow Arqana to serve its purpose which is to act as a marketplace for horses. We will be in a position to make a decision early next week following further discussion with local authorities.”

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RATHASKER STUD ANNOUNCES REDUCED FEES

Rathasker Stud has released the 2021 covering fees for its four stallions, with all but one having been dropped in price.

Bungle Inthejungle (GB), sire of this season’s G3 Cornwallis S. winner Winter Power (Ire), who has won four of her nine races in a busy juvenile campaign, will stand at €8,000, down from €12,000 in 2020.

The stud’s stalwart **Clodovil (Ire)** was represented by a new Group 1 winner this season in the Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Tiger Tanaka (Ire) and he has had his fee reduced from €8,000 to €5,000.

Clodovil stands alongside his son **Gregorian (Ire)**, who has also enjoyed stakes success in France this year via G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte winner Plainchant (Fr), and he too will stand at €5,000, his fee having been dropped from €6,000.

Completing the quartet is **Coulsty (Ire)**, a son of Kodiak (GB) whose first-crop runners this year have posted a strike-rate of 43%, and he remains unchanged at a fee of €4,000.

Commenting on his roster, stud owner Maurice Burns said, “We are very pleased to offer four proven stallions at Rathasker Stud for 2021. This year has been a difficult year for many breeders and in acknowledgment of this we have taken the step to reduce or maintain all our stud fees for 2021.”

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Bungle Inthejungle | Caroline Norris

EQUIANO TO JOIN IRISH NATIONAL STUD

Dual Royal Ascot-winning sprinter Equiano (Fr) will move from Britain to stand at the Irish National Stud in 2021.

The 15-year-old son of Acclamation (GB) has spent 10 seasons at Newsells Park Stud, during which time he has sired treble Group 1 winner The Tin Man (GB) and GI Breeders’ Cup Turf Sprint victrix Belvoir Bay (GB) among 17 stakes winners. [Cont. p8](#)

Equiano Cont.

Irish National Stud CEO Cathal Beale said, “We are delighted to offer Equiano to the Irish market at a time when solid, proven speed influences are ever more valued by breeders. He is an imposing individual with a great walk and, being completely free of Sadler’s Wells and Danzig blood, he is a great outcross option. Standing alongside Invincible Spirit, Equiano’s addition to our roster will mean we can offer Irish breeders two of the most prolific sources of speed available in Europe.”

Equiano started his racing career in Spain under the care of Mauricio Delcher Sanchez and soon progressed to group company in France before beating Takeover Target (Aus) in the G1 King’s Stand S. during his 3-year-old season. Switched to Britain and the stable of Barry Hills following his Royal Ascot success, he won a further three races in England as a 5-year-old, including a second King’s Stand. He was also runner-up in the G1 July Cup by a neck to Starspangledbanner (Aus). Through four seasons of racing he won seven of his 27 starts.

No fee has yet been set for Equiano, who stood at £6,000 for his last two seasons in Britain.

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Equiano | T Jones

**FIRST-SEASON SIRES
WITH RUNNERS**

Friday, Oct. 30, 2020:

UNITED KINGDOM

Ajaya (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Ire
31 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
13:45-NEWMARKET, 30K THE IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF
'BOSRA SHAM' FILLIES' STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)6f,
WORLDLY WISE (Ire)

17,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up Sale 2020

Coulsty (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Rathasker Stud
45 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
12:35-NEWMARKET, 7f, BODROY (Ire)
€3,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2019; £5,500 Goffs UK
Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019; 50,000gns RNA Tattersalls
Guineas Breeze-Up Sale 2020

Estidhkaar (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Tara Stud
106 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
13:45-NEWMARKET, 30K THE IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF
'BOSRA SHAM' FILLIES' STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)6f, RANIA
(Ire)
4,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 3,500gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3

Fascinating Rock (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Ballylinch Stud
61 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
18:45-NEWCASTLE, 8f, BLUE HONEY (GB)
12,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; £15,000 Goffs
UK September HIT & Yearling Sale 2019

Mehmas (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud
146 foals of racing age/42 winners/4 black-type winners
13:45-NEWMARKET, 30K THE IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF
'BOSRA SHAM' FILLIES' STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)6f, MISHAL
STAR (Ire)

Territories (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
113 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners
17:15-NEWCASTLE, 7f, NEON CITY (GB)
10,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; €21,000
Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

FRANCE

Ajaya (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Ire
31 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-AMIENS, 1650m, FOREVER CLEMENTINE (Fr)
€9,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2019

Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud
127 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-AMIENS, 1650m, BOUVINES (Ire)
£3,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019

IRELAND

Coulsty (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Rathasker Stud
45 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
1-DUNDALK, 5f, MACS DILEMMA (Ire)
€3,500 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018

Kodi Bear (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Rathbarry Stud
83 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner

1-DUNDALK, 5f, KOMPROMAT (Ire)
 €2,500 RNA Goffs February Mixed Sale 2019; €5,000 Tattersalls
 Ireland September Yearlings 2019

Mehmas (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud
 146 foals of racing age/42 winners/4 black-type winners
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, LINCOLN HAWK (Ire)
 €20,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, QUEENS CARRIAGE (Ire)
 €16,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2019
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, SUPREME MACHINE (Ire)
 €16,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €14,500 Goffs
 Autumn Yearling Sale 2019

Shalaa (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
 118 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, BALDOMERO (Ire)
 185,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 150,000gns
 Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 1; £460,000 Goffs
 Arqana 2020 Breeze Up Sale (Doncaster)

Twilight Son (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}), Cheveley Park Stud
 122 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, TWILIGHT MAN (GB)
 28,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 2

Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud
 127 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-DUNDALK, 5f, BALTINGLASS ABBEY (Ire)
 €2,200 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2020



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HALF TO PRIDE OF DUBAI DEBUTS AT NEWCASTLE

12.35 Newmarket, Novice, £8,000, 2yo, c/g, 7fT

ALANMAR (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}) cost 800,000gns at the Tattersalls October Sale Book 1 and debuts for Shadwell and the William Haggas stable. The half-brother to the smart group winners Weary (Fr) (Astronomer Royal) and Nyaleti (Ire) (Arch) encounters Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum's fellow newcomer **Dubawi Sands (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a Roger Varian-trained half-brother to the G1 2000 Guineas hero Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}).

6.45 Newcastle, Mdn, £5,300, 2yo, f, 8f 5y (AWT)

BINT AL ANOOD (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) is a half-sister to the dual Group 1-winning first-season sire Pride of Dubai (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) who debuts for Sheikh Mohammed Bin Khalifa Al Maktoum and the John Gosden stable. In a maiden packed with intriguing prospects, Ali Saeed's **Teona (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire})** from the Roger Varian yard is a half-sister to Godolphin's classy Al Hilalee (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) out of the G1 Pretty Polly S. heroine Ambivalent (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}).

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BRITAIN

Friday, Newmarket, post time: 1.45 p.m.

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BOSRA SHAM FILLIES' S.-Listed, £30,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	10	Happy Romance (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Scr	Scr
2	11	Chocoya (GB)	Sepoy (Aus)	J Doyle	Palmer
3	7	Ghaaliya (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	R Moore	Meehan
4	4	Glesga Gal (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Marquand	Palmer
5	5	Kindred Spirit (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Atzeni	Varian
6	2	Meu Amor (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	R Ryan	Beckett
7	8	Mishal Star (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Bentley	T Ward
8	12	Operatic (Ire)	Showcasing (GB)	Mitchell	S&E Crisford
9	1	Point Louise (GB)	Free Eagle (Ire)	Turner	H Dunlop
10	9	Rania (Ire)	Estidhkaar (Ire)	J Watson	Kirk
11	6	Ventura Diamond (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	de Sousa	Fahey
12	3	Worldly Wise (Ire)	Ajaya (GB)	Crowley	Mohammed

All carry 126 pounds.

Thursday's Results:

LADBROKES EBF FLEUR DE LYS FILLIES S.-Listed, £37,750, Lingfield, 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:35.10, st.

1--**INDIE ANGEL (IRE)**, 123, f, 3, **Dark Angel (Ire)--Indigo Lady (GB) (SW-Ire & GSP-Fr)**, by **Sir Percy (GB)**. **1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (600,000gns Wlg '17 TATFOA). O-Cheveley Park Stud; B-Ringfort Stud & P Hancock (IRE); T-John Gosden; J-Frankie Dettori. £21,408. Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-2, \$73,494. *67th SW for her sire (by Acclamation {GB}).

2--**Lavender's Blue (Ire)**, 126, f, 4, **Sea the Stars (Ire)--Beatrice Aurore (Ire)**, by **Danehill Dancer (Ire)**. O-Benny Andersson; B-Chess Racing (IRE); T-Amanda Perrett. £8,116.

3--**Ummalnar (GB)**, 126, m, 5, **Shamardal--Royal Secrets (Ire)**, by **Highest Honor (Fr)**. O-Mohammed Jaber; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (GB); T-William Haggas. £4,062.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, 3/4. Odds: 12.00, 7.00, 5.00.

Also Ran: Romsey (GB), Alnaseem (GB), Elegant Light (GB), Hateya (Ire), Farzeen (GB), Soffika (Ire), Gypsy Whisper (GB), Cloak of Spirits (Ire), Dean Street Doll (Ire).

Successful in handicaps over seven furlongs at Newmarket July 11 and at a mile at Salisbury Aug. 9, Indie Angel was eighth in Sandown's G3 Atalanta S. Aug. 23 and seventh in a competitive affair reverting to handicap company at Ascot Sept. 5. Anchored in last early, the grey was delivered five-wide turning for home and swept to the front a furlong out en route to an authoritative first black-type success.

"I was told to sit out the back and then loop the field on the outside, because Indie Angel does not like to go through horses," Dettori explained. "She liked the clean air on the outside and won well. The most important thing about today was to get black-type by finishing in the first three, so to win is a bit of a bonus."



Indie Angel | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

The listed-winning and group-placed dam, whose unraced 2-year-old colt Verderon (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) cost Stroud Coleman Bloodstock 500,000gns when sold at the 2018 Tattersalls December Foal Sale, is a relative of the G1 Irish Oaks-winning champion Give Thanks (GB) and the G1 Premio Roma winner Imperial Dancer (GB) (Primo Dominie {GB}). She also has a yearling filly by Churchill (Ire) bought by BBA Ireland and Ed Dunlop Racing for 90,000gns at the recent Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

LADBROKES EBF RIVER EDEN FILLIES S.-Listed, £37,750, Lingfield, 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 13f (AWT), 2:40.94, st.

1--**SORREL (IRE)**, 123, f, 3, **Dansili (GB)--Anice Stellato (Ire)**, by **Dalakhani (Ire)**. **1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O/B-George Strawbridge & James Wigan (IRE); T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-William Buick. £21,408. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-1, \$63,085. *1/2 to Agnes Stewart (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}), GSW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-Ire, \$176,586. **145th SW for her sire (by Danehill).

2--**Elizabethofaragon (Ire)**, 123, f, 3, **Galileo (Ire)--Beltisaal (Fr)**, by **Belmez**. O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Ann Marie O'Brien; B-Mrs Ann Marie O'Brien (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. £8,116.

3--**Domino Darling (GB)**, 123, f, 3, **Golden Horn (GB)--Disco Volante (GB)**, by **Sadler's Wells**. O-Mr A E Oppenheimer; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-William Haggas. £4,062.

Margins: 1 3/4, NO, 1. Odds: 3.00, 2.75, 5.50.

Also Ran: Moll Davis (Ire), Tulip Fields (GB), Tribal Craft (GB), Indefatigable (Ire), Hyanna (GB), Jane Marple (GB), Vivid Diamond (Ire), Tiger Print (GB).

Winning a brace of handicaps since being stepped up to a mile and a half at Leicester Aug. 10 and at Doncaster Sept. 11, Sorrel took the next step up the ladder in her stride with a smooth first black-type success here. Always travelling with ease on the Polytrack behind the leading quartet, the homebred was allowed to coast to the front three furlongs from home and kick decisively on the home turn.

"She stays very well and is very straightforward. From the awkward start we have here over this trip, she jumped well and got herself into a lovely position," jockey William Buick said. "The pace was pretty good and she was pretty close to it throughout. I was slightly worried that something may come from behind, but she went through the gears lovely and gets that trip very well. She has a lovely attitude and all she wants to do is please you. For me, she has improved again since Doncaster and I see no reason why she won't improve again next year." **Cont. p11**

River Eden Fillies' S. Cont.

The dam's first foal was the G2 May Hill S. winner and G1 Fillies' Mile runner-up Agnes Stewart. Her family includes the sires Definite Article (GB) (Indian Ridge {Ire}) and Salford Express (Ire) (Be My Guest) and the G3 Greenham S. winner Salford City (Ire) (Desert Sun {GB}). Her yearling colt by Havana Gold (Ire) was bought this month by Hurworth Bloodstock at Tattersalls October Book 2 for 150,000gns. **Click for the Racing Post result.**
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3rd-Lingfield, £6,800, Novice, 10-29, 2yo, f, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:25.47, st.

INVITE (IRE) (f, 2, The Gurkha {Ire}--Katiyra {Ire} {GSW-Ire, G1SP-Eng, G1SP-Fr, \$351,150}, by Peintre Celebre), an 18-1 shot on this debut, settled under cover in mid-division early. Angled wide turning for home, the bay surged to the front a furlong out and stayed on to score by 2 1/4 lengths from Carryonregardless (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}) and become the 11th winner for her sire (by Galileo {Ire}). The dam was third in the G1 Epsom Oaks and G1 Prix de l'Opera as well as winning the G2 Blandford S. Sold by The Aga Khan Studs to BBA Ireland for €70,000 at the 2017 Goffs November Mares Sale, she is a half to the G3 Prix de Royaumont scorer Kataniya (Ire) (Raven's Pass) and to the dam of the G3 Killavullan S. third Katiba (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}). Her 2020 colt is by Churchill (Ire). Sales history: €24,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,711. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/T-Sylvester Kirk; B-RJB Bloodstock (IRE).

6th-Chelmsford City, £5,800, Novice, 10-29, 3yo/up, 8f (AWT), 1:39.54, st.

AT EASE (GB) (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Jostle {MGISW, \$1,389,932}, by Brocco), who was fourth on debut over a mile at Newcastle Oct. 2, broke well to gain the early lead. Pressed by Mars Landing (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) up the home straight, the 5-1 second favourite kept on to score by 3/4 of a length. The winner is a daughter of the G1 American Oaks and G1 Alabama S. heroine, who is responsible for the three stakes performers Fire Assay (Medaglia d'Oro), GSP, \$127,946; Adirondack King (Lawyer Ron), MSW & MGSP, \$578,554; and Nobrag Justfact (The Factor), SW, \$201,444. With a yearling filly by Time Test (GB) to come, her family also includes the G3 Standish H. winner and G1 Inglis Sires runner-up Odyssey Moon (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,200. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Lansdowne Thoroughbreds (GB); T-Charlie Hills.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mariance (GB), f, 2, Adaay (Ire)--Fair Maiden (Jpn), by Carnegie (Ire). Lingfield, 10-29, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.88. B-Mr & Mrs S Bosley (GB). *11,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; £16,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFFPR. **21st winner for her sire (by Kodiak {GB}).

A Pint of Bear (Ire), g, 2, Kodi Bear (Ire)--Heart of an Angel (GB), by Dark Angel (Ire). Southwell, 10-29, 4f 214y (AWT), :58.69. B-Willie Musson Racing Ltd (IRE). *8,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; £10,000 2yo '20 GOFARQ. **16th winner for his sire (by Kodiak {GB}).

Jacynth (Ire), f, 2, New Bay (GB)--Bayja (Ire), by Giant's Causeway. Lingfield, 10-29, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.45. B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE). *72,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; 120,000gns 2yo '20 TATBRE. **1/2 to Ekhtiyaar (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}), MGSP-UAE, \$492,446; & to New Providence (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), MGSW-Eng, \$298,500. ***11th winner for her sire (by Dubawi {Ire}).

FRANCE**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

5th-ParisLongchamp, €28,000, Cond, 10-29, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:29.42, hy.

TRUE ROMANCE (FR) (g, 5, George Vancouver--Hallen {Fr}, by Midyan) Lifetime Record: 15-6-3-2, €117,420. O-Francis-Henri Graffard, Haras des Adelis, Mme Danielle de la Heronniere & Thierry de la Heronniere; B-Thierry de la Heronniere & Mme Danielle de la Heronniere (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. *€30,000 RNA Ylg '16 OSLATE. **1/2 to Zayade (Fr) (Country Reel), MSP-Fr, \$194,973; and Winter Springs (Fr) (Stormy River {Fr}), SP-Fr, \$143,078.

2nd-ParisLongchamp, €27,000, Cond, 10-29, 2yo, c/g, 9fT, 2:10.63, hy.

NEMBO KID (FR) (c, 2, Siyouni {Fr}--Victoria College {Fr} {MSP-Fr}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, €26,700. O-Alain Michel Haddad & David Smaga; B-Alain Michel Haddad (FR); T-David Smaga. *1/2 to Lucky Look (Fr) (Teofilo {Ire}), MGSP-Fr, \$117,799; Millfield (Fr) (Whipper), GSP-Fr, \$299,709; and La Poutanesca (Ire) (Falco), SP-Fr, \$156,633.

4th-ParisLongchamp, €27,000, Cond, 10-29, 2yo, f, 9fT, 2:07.75, hy.

INCARVILLE (FR) (f, 2, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Ilhabela {Ire}, by Azamour {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €28,900. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Naji Nahas (FR); T-David Smaga.

4th-Bordeaux-Le-Bouscat, €22,000, Cond, 10-29, 2yo, 9 1/2ft, 2:23.44, hy.

AL HAWRA (FR) (f, 2, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Salwa {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €16,000. O/B-Al Shaqab Racing (FR); T-Simone Brogi.

5th-Bordeaux-Le-Bouscat, €20,000, Cond, 10-29, 4yo/up, 9 1/2ft, 2:20.95, hy.

SHEHIYR (FR) (g, 7, Acclamation {GB}--Shemiyla {Fr} {GSW-Fr, \$169,373}, by Dalakhani {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 24-6-3-3, €84,870. O-Herve Audoy, Sarah Audoy, Samuel Marchesseau & Romain Labataille; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR); T-Sarah Audoy. *€13,000 5yo '18 ARQJUL. **1/2 to Sheraz (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), SP-Fr.

2nd-Bordeaux-Le-Bouscat, €18,000, Cond, 10-29, 3yo, 7ft, 1:41.13, hy.

QUEEN KAHLUA (GB) (f, 3, Kingman {GB}--Kahlua Kiss {GB} {MSP-Eng}, by Mister Baileys {GB}) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-1, €38,950. O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Horizon Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Henri-Francois Devin. *57,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT. **1/2 to Windhoek (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), MSW & MGSP-Eng, SW-Tur, \$603,441.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Born The Same Day (Fr), c, 2, Stormy River (Fr)--Miss Annie (Fr), by Dubawi (Ire). Bordeaux-Le-Bouscat, 10-29, 8ft, 1:51.89. B-Serge Duchene & Haras des Sablonnets (FR). *1ST-TIME STARTER.



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VINERY SNAPS UP OLE KIRK



Ole Kirk & William Pike | Bronwen Healy

by Bren O'Brien

Vinery Stud has won the race to secure the breeding future of dual Group 1-winning colt **Ole Kirk** (Written Tycoon). Vinery immediately joins the existing ownership group of the colt and will stand the son of Written Tycoon at its Hunter Valley farm once his racetrack career is completed.

"It is fantastic. We have been so excited about this horse and he is the hottest horse going around at the moment. He's ticked all the boxes in what we look for in a horse. It's great for our momentum, our young horses are going so well, and so to pick up Ole Kirk is a big deal for us," Vinery Stud's General Manager, Peter Orton, told *TDN AusNZ*.

"He's all the things we look for in a stallion. He is a good-looking horse, he was a very good 2-year-old and he's come out as an early 3-year-old and knocked off two of the hottest races you would want to be winning," he said.

The stud future of the winner of this year's G1 Golden Rose S. and G1 Caulfield Guineas has been hotly contested, with Vinery seeing off a host of rivals to win his signature.

"There was a lot of people on the horse for obvious reasons and you are dealing with a syndicate of people and so you have to run a process so it's fair for everybody. It was a long process and I am glad it came out the way it did," Orton said.

Ole Kirk is one of the most anticipated stallion prospects of his generation, not only for his racetrack performance, but also on type and on pedigree, being by the increasingly influential Written Tycoon out of Naturale, a sister of unbeaten superstar Black Caviar (Bel Esprit). He will stand alongside his close relative

All Too Hard, a half-brother to his dam. His pedigree also offers a vital outcross to the plethora of Danehill (USA)-line mares in Australasia.

"He's got an outstanding pedigree, and you probably have to add another 25% on him being an outcross, which is so valuable to our market at the moment," Orton said.

Bred at Gilgai Farm, just like his illustrious relatives, Ole Kirk was a \$675,000 purchase at the 2019 Inglis Melbourne Premier Sale for Mark Player's International Thoroughbred Solutions on behalf of Neil Werrett. Jamieson retained an ownership interest in the colt after he was sold as a yearling and is delighted to have now helped secure his breeding future.

"As breeder and part owner of our most exciting horse Ole Kirk, I am thrilled to have Vinery come in as a partner in the colt," Jamieson said. "Ole Kirk has the genetic potential and the elite racetrack performance to play a major role in the ongoing development of the Australian thoroughbred industry. He is from one of the most successful pedigrees in the Australian Stud Book, descending back to the blue hen mares Scandinavia and Helsing. His sire-line traces back through to Last Tycoon and Try My Best, making him a great genetic match for mares carrying Danehill in their pedigree."

Jamieson said the interest in the colt's stud future had been strong but he felt that Vinery was the best place for him to launch his breeding career when the time comes.

"We had great interest from a number of studs for him but after many detailed discussions we settled on Vinery, as their team 'headed by Peter' were very keen to land him for stud duties and made a compelling proposal," he said. "With the support of all current owners as well as that of Vinery and their loyal clients he will be supported with a great lineup of mares when he begins his stud career. Personally, I believe we have been fortunate and put our foot on a future great speed stallion and can't wait for him to begin the next phase of his exciting career."

Orton said that the support of shareholders like Jamieson will be crucial in Ole Kirk's prosperity in the breeding barn, while Vinery would look to offer further shares to involve breeders which can broaden the base of mares he can serve.

"The colt has the benefit of a strong shareholder group involved in his racing, and they are strongly committed to his future at stud. We have the added advantage of having his elite breeder Rick Jamieson involved in identifying mares to suit the horse and breeding a good number of his own mares to Ole Kirk ensuring he has every opportunity to succeed at stud," he said.



Peter Orton | Bronwen Healy

Ole Kirk is currently spelling and will return to the care of John, Michael and Wayne Hawkes for an autumn campaign. The Hawkeses are renowned as stallion-making trainers and have so far planned his racing career carefully, executing his development from a stakes-winning 2-year-old to now a multiple Group 1-winning 3-year-old.

Like All Too Hard, Ole Kirk debuted with a win in the Listed Talindert S. before finishing third in the G2 VRC Sires' Produce. He then finished fourth in the G1 Inglis Sires' Produce at Randwick and third in the G1 Champagne S., concluding his 2-year-old campaign.

After a pair of seconds to open his 3-year-old campaign in the Listed Rosebud and G3 Run To The Rose, he exploded late to win the G1 Golden Rose last month. He then followed that up by comfortably winning the G1 Caulfield Guineas, becoming just the second horse to win both 3-year-old features at Group 1 level.

Exceeding Expectations

The announcement Ole Kirk will stand at the iconic Hunter Valley stud is a significant boost and comes off the back of last year's G1 Coolmore Stud S. winner Exceedance beginning his stallion career at Vinery in 2020. The farm has a host of young stallions, with Headwater and Press Statement's oldest progeny having just turned three and Star Turn having his first runners to the track this season.

"This industry does come in ebbs and flows and you have to be patient and keep doing the right thing. Things have gone our way over the past 12 months," Orton said.

"It's great to get a horse of this calibre and it's great to win the battle. It's also good for the owners involved in the farm and it's great for the staff. It gives them a real injection of energy, it's good, positive stuff. This game is all about momentum and this just adds to that."

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