

VOLATILE SETTLING IN AT THREE CHIMNEYS



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by Katie Ritz

Two years ago, dual Eclipse Champion Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}) joined the Three Chimneys' stallion program after collecting six Grade I wins for the farm and partner Winchell Thoroughbreds. This year another Three Chimneys-owned racehorse in Volatile, a son of Violence campaigned by Three Chimneys and Phoenix Thoroughbred III, has been added to the roster for 2021 and will stand for an initial fee of \$17,500.

Before even stepping on a racetrack, the imposing gray was one to watch.

His stakes-winning dam Melody Lady (Unbridled's Song) was out of the dual Grade I winner Lady Tak (Mutakdim) and when he was a yearling, his full-sister Buy Sell Hold became the first winner for their sire and then two weeks later, Violence's first stakes winner in the Kentucky Juvenile S.

The young colt caught buyers' attention a few months later at the Keeneland September Sale, including no less of a judge than Kerri Radcliffe.

The agent was on the lookout for a racehorse for the Three Chimneys-Phoenix Thoroughbred partnership, and the son of Violence checked all the right boxes.

"He was a really good-looking horse with plenty of scope and length," Three Chimneys' Tom Hamm recalled. "One of his great attributes that the team really liked was the way he moved. He was very impressive and athletic-looking. He had a lot of power and leverage behind."

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THE ECLIPSE AWARD WINNERS, RANKING THE BEST OF THE BEST

by Bill Finley

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Eclipse Awards, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association is holding a promotion in which fans will be asked to choose the top 10 horses and the top jockey and trainer during the five-decade era. [Click here to play.](#)

Here are this writer's picks. It wasn't easy.

Horses:

- 1. Secretariat:** Champion 2-Year-Old Male (1972); Champion 3-Year-Old Male (1973); Champion Male Turf Horse (1973); Horse of the Year (1972, 1973). Could be the best horse who ever lived. What more needs to be said?
- 2. Seattle Slew:** Champion 2-Year-Old Male (1976); Champion 3-Year-Old Male (1977); Champion Older Male Horse (1978); Horse of the Year (1977). **Cont. p4**

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Volatile Settling in at Three Chimneys

(cont. from p1)

The partnership went to \$850,000 to purchase the youngster, making him the highest-priced yearling by Violence to date.

A case of mild tendonitis kept Volatile from the starting gate as a juvenile, but trainer Steve Asmussen knew he was just biding his time with the colt.

“Once Steve got his hands on him he realized that he was really fast, so he just wanted to be patient and take his time,” Hamm said.

Volatile made his debut in the summer of his sophomore season at Ellis Park, defeating maiden rivals at six furlongs. He came up 1 1/4 lengths short in his next start, but bounced back with a three-length win last November at Churchill Downs going six furlongs.



Volatile reaches Grade I stardom in the Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. | *Coglianesse*

“Even with a bit of a troubled trip, he ran some impressive numbers and an impressive time,” Hamm said of the 1:09:10 finish. “That was kind of the beginning of his breakout.”

Volatile made easy work of his 4-year-old debut the next spring at Oaklawn Park, winning by an eye-catching 7 1/2 lengths.

Stepping up to stakes company in his next start, he showed the same brilliance in winning the Aristides S. The eight-length victor stopped the clock at 1:07.57--just .02 seconds short of the track record.

“Volatile’s win in the Aristides was a very visually impressive race,” Hamm said. “His 112 Beyer was the highest in 2020 for any horse at any distance on any surface. If you watched the race, it was one of the most impressive things

because he was actually geared down in the stretch. I think he proved in that race that he was a very special horse.”

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Sent off as the favorite next out in the GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H., Volatile broke first under Ricardo Santana, Jr. and never looked back as he defeated a field of all Grade I winners and ran a :22.94 final quarter.

“Winning the Vanderbilt just verified what we already believed—that he could compete at the Grade I level,” Hamm said. “His performance in that race, coupled with the performance in the Aristides solidified him as one of the most talented horses out there in 2020.”

The 4-year-old was set for his next start in the GII Vosburgh S. when, days before the race, he was injured with a hairline fracture to his right front cannon bone.

“Volatile was training excellent leading up to the Vosburgh,” Hamm said. “We were going to use that race as a prep for the Breeders’ Cup, and then unfortunately he came up with an injury. He had already done enough at that point, and we thought it was time to bring him to the farm and get him ready for his stallion career.”

Hamm said that while Volatile excelled as a sprinter, he believes the colt would have been dangerous stretching out as well.

“Volatile was obviously very fast and a good sprinter, but honestly, he’s built like a miler. He’s got a lot of stretch and length to him. Actually Steve thought he could be a good one-turn mile horse, but when the Aristides was right in front of us and he was running so well, there was really no reason to change at that point and unfortunately we didn’t get the chance down the road, but we think he could have been a good miler as well.”

“He’s been overwhelmingly popular with the breeders,” Hamm continued. “We think he’s got that wow factor and that he’s going to do really well.”

When asked what it means to be able to retire a horse to stud that raced in the Three Chimneys silks, Hamm responded, “You know, it means a lot to Three Chimneys and to the Torrealba family. It’s one of our main goals not only to be able to compete at the highest level in racing, but to be able to develop our own

stallions on the racetrack. It’s a great tribute to our entire team and the hard work that everybody here puts in. It’s something we’re very proud of and it’s one of our main goals at Three Chimneys.”

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The Eclipse Award Winners, Ranking the Best of the Best *(cont. from p1)*

2. Seattle Slew *(cont)*

Yes, Secretariat is the greatest horse to have raced during the last 50 years, but you can make a strong argument that Seattle Slew was next. From Day One, he was brilliant, a horse who was the total package of speed, stamina and class. He dominated in the Triple Crown, becoming the first undefeated horse to sweep the series. After stubbing his toe and finishing second in the GIII Paterson H. at the Meadowlands, he became the only Triple Crown winner to beat a Triple Crown winner when defeating Affirmed in the 1978 Marlboro Cup H. Not that it matters when it comes to compiling this particular list, but Seattle Slew went on to become one of the greatest sires of all time.



Secretariat was an (almost) unanimous choice | *Coglianesse*

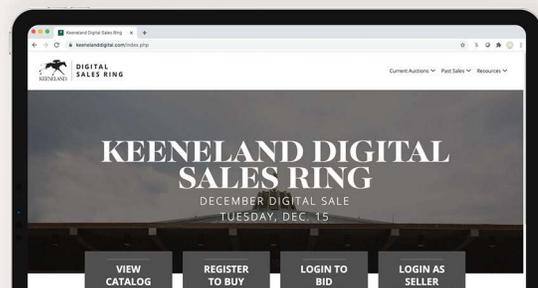
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3. Affirmed: Champion 2-Year-Old Male (1977); Champion 3-Year-Old Male (1978); Champion Older Male Horse (1978); Horse of the Year (1978, 1979).

It wasn't just that he won the Triple Crown. To do so, he had to beat, in Alydar, the most formidable opponent any Triple Crown winner has ever faced. Affirmed maintained his form over the course of three campaigns, winning a championship each time. He put an exclamation point on the end of his career when he beat Spectacular Bid in the 1979 GI Jockey Club Gold Cup. It was his 19th stakes win and 14th Grade I win. Should be on everyone's Top 10 list.



Spectacular Bid | Horsephotos

4. Ruffian: Champion 2-Year-Old Filly (1974); Ch 3-Year-Old Filly (1975).

Will be the only horse to make my Top 10 who was never named Horse of the Year. With Ruffian, you have to make an exception as her career was cut short when she tragically died after breaking down in her 1975 match race with Foolish Pleasure. To that point, she had been so dominant that no horse

had ever been in front of her at any call in any of her races. Was undoubtedly one of the most talented horses that ever lived and there's no telling what she would have accomplished had she

met a different fate. In a poll conducted by the *Associated Press*, she was named the top filly of the 20th century.

5. Spectacular Bid: Champion 2-Year-Old Male (1978); Champion 3-Year-Old Male (1979); Champion Older Male (1980); Horse of the Year (1980).

Trainer Bud Delp called him "the greatest racehorse to ever look through a bridle." Generally considered one of the best horses not to win the

Triple Crown, his loss in the 1979 Belmont S. does not take away from his many accomplishments on the racetrack. After losing twice as a 2-year-old, he lost just twice more throughout his career, compiling a final record of 26 for 30. One of the losses came against Affirmed, in the 1979 Jockey Club Gold Cup.

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Spectacular Bid was so dominant that no one was willing to face him in the 1980 Woodward, a race he won in a walkover in his last start.

Racing was spoiled during the seventies, the first decade of the Eclipse Award era. There was one great horse after another, including three Triple Crown winners and five horses who have made it into this Top 10. It was a golden age for horse racing.

6. Forego: Champion Sprinter (1974); Champion Older Male Horse (1974, 1975, 1976, 1977); Horse of the Year (1974, 1975, 1976).

He did things that now seem inconceivable. He won the 1976 GI Marlboro Cup carrying 137 pounds, his furious late drive allowing him to catch Honest Pleasure. He was fast enough to have twice won the GII Carter H. at seven furlongs, as well as the GII Vosburgh H. at the same distance, yet he also won the Jockey Club Gold Cup back when it was a two-mile race. He won the GI Woodward S. four times. He came a long way from the afterthought who was 28-1 and finished a distant fourth behind Secretariat in the 1973 GI Kentucky Derby.

Since the inception of the Eclipse Awards, he is the only horse to be named Horse of the Year three times.

7. Cigar: Champion Older Male (1995, 1996); Horse of the Year (1995, 1996).

Was the brightest star of the nineties, a period where there was a dearth of top horses. His 16-race winning streak captivated the sport. He was one of the last remnants of a bygone era, where horses weren't restricted to four or five races a year and accepted all challenges and took on all challengers. Was sent all over the U.S. in pursuit of excellence. Won the first running of the G1 Dubai World Cup. What would he have accomplished if his connections didn't run him 11 times on the turf before finally making the switch to the dirt?

8. Zenyatta: Champion Older Female (2008, 2009, 2010); Horse of the Year (2010).

When most top horses now race 15 times or so at most during their careers, it is hard to include any modern horses on a list that contains horses like Forego. But while Zenyatta's 20 career starts do not exactly put her on a list of iron horses, she was given more than enough of a chance to prove her greatness. Her come-from-the-clouds running style made her one of the most exciting horses ever and she almost always found a way to get to the wire first. She started off her career with 19 straight wins, setting a record for a top horse, and beat males in the 2009 Breeders' Cup Classic. She ran until age 6. With horses starting less and less all the time and being retired early, it may be a long time before we see one like her again.

9. John Henry: Champion Turf Horse (1980, 1981, 1983, 1984); Champion Older Male (1981); Horse of the Year (1981, 1984).

He was a great story, the son of Ole Bob Bowers who broke his maiden at Jefferson Downs before ending up in claiming races at the Fair Grounds and in New York. But he was so much more than that. Once he got rolling, he became one of the toughest and most versatile horses in decades. He won Grade I's on the grass and dirt and was still racing at a high level at the age of nine. Won 29 stakes and 15 Grade I events.



John Henry | Horsephotos

10. American Pharoah: Champion 3-Year-Old Male (2015); Horse of the Year (2015).

He may not be among the 10 most talented horses to have raced since the seventies, but he deserves to make the cut based on his accomplishments. With so many horses having failed along the way, it started to look like winning the Triple Crown was an impossible task.

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It had gotten to the point where people were calling for changes in the format of the series to make it easier to win. It turns out that all that was needed was for the right horse to come around, one that was talented and durable enough to get through the Triple Crown without having an off day. That he also became the first horse to both win the Triple Crown and the GI Breeders' Cup Classic is still another reason he deserves to be recognized as one of the best of his era.



American Pharoah | *Coglianesse*

Honorable Mention: Sunday Silence, Justify, Rachel Alexandra.

Trainer: Wayne Lukas. Since the best days of Lukas's career, the sport has seen plenty of outstanding trainers come along, Bob Baffert, Todd Pletcher, Chad Brown. But the Lukas who dominated the sport in the eighties and nineties has no equal. The first top trainer to have divisions at a number of racetracks, he revolutionized the sport and developed champion after champion. His stable has produced 28 Eclipse Award winners and three Horses of the Year. Lukas, himself, won four Eclipse Awards as the sport's outstanding trainer, which doesn't seem like nearly enough.

Jockey: Jerry Bailey. This was a tough call between Angel Cordero Jr., the outstanding jockey of the eighties, and Bailey, the outstanding jockey of the nineties. Both were the best of their eras and, among the two, Cordero may have had the more raw talent. The tiebreaker is that Bailey won seven Eclipse Awards, the most ever among jockeys. Cordero won just two.

TDN STAFF BALLOTS:

We asked other staff members and contributors to submit their top 10s, in order. Here's what they said:

Kelsey Riley, International Editor: Secretariat, Affirmed, Seattle Slew, Spectacular Bid, Forego, John Henry, Ruffian, American Pharoah, Cigar, Curlin. Jockey: Jerry Bailey. Trainer: D. Wayne Lukas.

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BELLOCQ, LEGGETT SELECTED TO HALL OF FAME’S JOE HIRSCH MEDIA ROLL OF HONOR

Renowned Eclipse Award-winning cartoonist Pierre “Peb” Bellocq and the late Eclipse Award-winning writer William Leggett have been selected to the National Museum of Racing’s Joe Hirsch Media Roll of Honor.

Bellocq, 94, was born in France in 1926. At age 19, the French racing journal *France Courses* gave him national exposure by publishing one of his cartoons of a jockey. Bellocq signed the drawing as “Peb,” a signature that became his lifelong moniker. By 1954, Bellocq’s work had achieved international acclaim and he was contracted by Laurel Park owner John D. Schapiro to do drawings for the prestigious Washington, D.C. International S. Bellocq decided to relocate to the United States and in 1955 accepted an offer to work as the staff cartoonist for the *Morning Telegraph* and its sister paper, the *Daily Racing Form*, a job he held until December 2008.

“My father was a jump jockey in the south of France and my grandfather was a trainer. His father was a breeder. I was among horses right from the start,” Bellocq said.

Along with his work for the *Form*, Bellocq has been commissioned by numerous racetracks to produce vibrant murals capturing the flavor of the sport. His large-scale cartoon collages became fixtures at tracks such as Churchill Downs, Del Mar, Arlington, Oaklawn, Aqueduct, and The Meadowlands.

Leggett, who was born in Saratoga Springs, NY in 1931, became one of racing’s most celebrated and respected writers during his 30-year career at *Sports Illustrated*. He spent time as president of both the National Turf Writers Association and the New York Turf Writers Association and won an Eclipse Award for his racing writing in 1979.

“He had a tremendous knowledge of Thoroughbred racing,” said the late Whitney Tower, who worked with Leggett at *Sports Illustrated* for nearly 20 years. “He was an exceptional man, a great talent, and he contributed a lot to the success of *Sports*

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In 1993, Leggett was one of the eight inaugural members of the Saratoga Springs Sports Hall of Fame. He died in 1996 in New York City at the age of 64.

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MEDAGLIA D’ORO (El Prado {Ire}) <i>(Golden Sixty {Aus}–G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile)</i>	145	75 (26)
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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Los Alamitos, \$44,500, (S), Msw, 12-13, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:03.62, ft, head.

BECCA TAYLOR (f, 2, Old Topper--Lady Sax, by General Meeting), overlooked at 17-1 in this career bow, tracked the pace three wide from the third flight past a quick :21.80 quarter, started to close in on well-bet firster Omg It's Jessica (Smiling Tiger) at the eighth pole and surged in the closing strides to tag that rival by a head. The winner is a full-sister to Hail Mary, MSP, \$254,188. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Nicholas B. Alexander (CA); T-Steven Miyadi.

3rd-Delta Downs, \$35,000, (S), Msw, 12-14, 3yo/up, 5f, 1:00.10, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

HAIL STATE (g, 3, Quality Road--Lady o' War, by Leestown) showed brief speed before fading badly to finish ninth debuting for trainer Joe McKellar against open company Sept. 15 at Louisiana Downs and was given an 8-1 chance dropping in to face state-breds for his new barn here. Second widest of a four-way pace battle through a :22.38 quarter, the homebred poked a head in front while on his wrong lead nearing the sixteenth marker and inched clear from there for a 1 1/4-length success. Daddy Cool Cat (D'wildcat) won a photo for the place. The winner has an unraced juvenile half-brother by Half Ours named Sign of War and a yearling Munnings half-brother named Relic Hunter. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$21,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-World War IV Racing (LA); T-Allen Landry.



IN JAPAN:

Irish Sense, c, 2, Quality Road--Miss Singhsix (Ire) (GSW, \$482,138), by Singspiel (Ire). Hanshin, 12-13, Maiden, 1400m, 1:26.1. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$75,962. O-KR Japan; B-Normandy Farm LLC (KY); T-Haruki Sugiyama. *\$125,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

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American Peace, c, 2, Tapit--La Cloche (GSW, \$299,948), by Ghostzapper. Hanshin, 12-12, Maiden, 1800m, 1:54.3. Lifetime Record : 3-1-1-0, \$75,000. O-Yoshizawa Holdings; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY); T-Hidetaka Otonashi. *Full to Bellevais, GSW, \$435,470. **\$325,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. **VIDEO**



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American Seed, c, 3, Tapit--Sweet Talker (GISW, \$1,098,723), by Stormin Fever. Chukyo, 12-12, Allowance, 1900m, 1:58.7. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$415,000. O-Yoshizawa Holdings; B-Courtlandt Farm (KY); T-Kenichi Fujioka. *1/2 to Perregaux (Distorted Humor), MGSP, \$143,529; full to Sweet Tapper, GSP, \$183,231. **SP. ***\$825,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. **VIDEO**



LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE



Kaminoko, h, 5, Roman Ruler--Star Mullein, by Woodman. Hanshin, 12-13, Allowance, 1400m, 1:24.7. Lifetime Record: 36-3-4-9, \$718,173. O-Shigeo Kadono; B-Winchester Farm (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori. *1/2 to Dance of Solome (Jpn) (Biwa Takehide {Jpn}), SP, \$704,956.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Clear, g, 2, Flashback--Can You Talk, by Tale of the Cat. Busan, 12-12, Hcp., 1200m. B-Stonehaven Steadings (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$11,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.



Bolt Man, g, 2, Midshipman--Just A Flash, by Henny Hughes. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1200m. B-Foundations Farm (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$63,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL; \$67,000 RNA Ylg '19 FTKSEP; \$30,000 2yo '20 OBSJUN.

Legend Day, c, 2, Race Day--Sakra, by Buddha. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1400m. B-Terry Phillips (IN). *\$4,200 Ylg '19 KEEJAN; \$17,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT.

Eoma Eoma, c, 3, Algorithms--Lignite, by Run Away and Hide. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1400m. B-Gatewood Bell, Wesley Ward, Bret Jones, Wes Welker & Drew Fleming (KY). *Won by seven

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Hail State (Quality Road) graduates at Delta

lengths to take his career record to 7-5-1-1. **\$1,200 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$14,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$60,000 2yo '19 OBSJUN.

Fantastic Road, c, 3, **Elusive Quality**--I'm Cruising Dixie, by Dixie Union. Busan, 12-12, Hcp., 1200m. B-Ivy Lane Farm LLC & Godolphin (KY). *1/2 to Mezzano (Mizzen Mast), MSP, \$279,812. **\$42,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$60,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR.

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Global Joy, f, 3, **Imagining**--Shekeepsherbootson, by Not For Love. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1400m. B-Hope Hill Farm (MD). *\$50,000 Ylg '18 FTMOCT; \$50,000 2yo '19 FTMMAY.

Blue Macaron, f, 3, **Imagining**--She's Scary, by Congrats. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1400m. B-Cary Frommer & Rebecca David (MD). *\$40,000 2yo '19 FTMMAY.

Mighty Soo, c, 3, **Super Saver**--Gold Indy, by A.P. Indy. Seoul, 12-12, Hcp., 1800m. B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY). *\$30,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.

IN BRITAIN:

Gloucestershire, c, 2, **Flintshire (GB)**. See "Britain".

Jac's Fact (Kentucky Dane)

2 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, I'M JAC'D, 15-1

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

94 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
4-Mahoning Valley, Alw 5 1/2f, ASSERTIVE STYLE, 9-5
\$130,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Peace and Justice (War Front), Northview PA, \$3,500

23 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Parx Racing, Aoc 6 1/2f, SMOKUM PEACE PIPE, 4-1

Quick Change (Awesome Again), Raimonde Farms, \$1,000

6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, SAMEOLSONGDANCE, 5-2

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2020 Stud Fees Listed

Koh I Noor (Harlan's Holiday), Gulf Coast Equine, \$2,000

9 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, SPECIAL MISCHIEF, 6-1
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Air Force Blue (War Front), Ashford Stud, \$15,000

107 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Mahoning Valley, Alw 5 1/2f, CHOCTAW BINGO, 2-1

Cinco Charlie (Indian Charlie), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000

66 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Mahoning Valley, Alw 5 1/2f, JLO CAN DANCE, 15-1
\$3,500 KEE SEP yrl

Itsthesameoldsong (Unbridled's Song), Twin Lakes Equestrian Center, private

3 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, SONGSTOPSHELF, 10-1



ADDITIONAL
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STAKES RESULTS:

STEVE PRATHER S., (NB) \$50,000, Zia, 12-14, (S), 2yo, 1m 70y, 1:43.98, ft.

1--SARGE, 122, g, 2, Abstraction--E Bar Prospect, by Gold Fever.

O/B-Donnell Echols (NM); T-Joel H. Marr; J-Miguel T. Fuentes, Jr. \$29,700. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-2-0, \$51,922. *1/2 to E Bar Way (The Way Home), SW, \$305,162; and Movin On (Indian Firewater), SP, \$245,548.

2--**Pub**, 122, g, 2, Attila's Storm--Cocktail Girl, by Hennessy.
O-Jay Glover & Gary Stallings; B-R. D. Hubbard (NM); T-Casey
T. Lambert. \$9,900.

3--**Coming Abstraction**, 122, c, 2, Abstraction--Molly My Love,
by Dome. O/B-Mark & Annette McCloy (NM); T-Todd W.
Fincher. \$4,950.

Margins: 2HF, 1HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 0.80, 6.50, 16.40.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Los Alamitos, \$50,500, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000),
12-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03.69, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

**LOUD LOUD MUSIC (f, 3, Tizbud--Your Cheatin Heart, by
Bernstein)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-0, \$95,100. O/B-Nicholas B.
Alexander (CA); T-Steven Miyadi.

3rd-Mahoning Valley, \$29,000, (S), 12-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m,
1m 70y, ft, 1 length.

POWER BANKER (f, 4, Power Broker--Boffo, by Banker's Gold)
Lifetime Record: 15-4-2-1, \$64,334. O-William D. Pickerrell;
B-Robert Maro (OH); T-Robert C. Cline.

6th-Mahoning Valley, \$27,000, 12-14, (NW1RYX), 3yo/up, 1m,
1:42.41, ft, 1/2 length.

FRANCO (g, 6, Talent Search--Julep Tulip, by Flower Alley)
Lifetime Record: 26-7-6-6, \$154,033. O-Bryan Porter; B-J. C.
Davis Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Mary L. Hurley. *\$1,500 Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Hakman, g, 2, Hakassan (Chi)--Antique Silver, by Silver Train.
Mahoning Valley, 12-14, (S), 6f, 1:16.08. B-Robert M. Gorham
(OH).



ABSTRACTION, Sarge, g, 2, o/o E Bar Prospect, by Gold Fever.
Steve Prather S., 12-14, Zia

HAKASSAN (CHI), Hakman, g, 2, o/o Antique Silver, by Silver
Train. MSW, 12-14, Mahoning Valley

OLD TOPPER, Becca Taylor, f, 2, o/o Lady Sax, by General
Meeting. MSW, 12-13, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred

POWER BROKER, Power Banker, f, 4, o/o Boffo, by Banker's
Gold. ALW, 12-14, Mahoning Valley

QUALITY ROAD, Hail State, g, 3, o/o Lady o' War, by Leestown.
MSW, 12-14, Delta Downs

TALENT SEARCH, Franco, g, 6, o/o Julep Tulip, by Flower Alley.
ALW, 12-14, Mahoning Valley

TIZBUD, Loud Loud Music, f, 3, o/o Your Cheatin Heart, by
Bernstein. AOC, 12-13, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred



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TARA STUD'S HOMECOMING KING



River Boyne | Benoit photo

By Emma Berry and Alayna Cullen

On part of its 70-mile journey across Ireland, the River Boyne flows not far from Tara Stud in County Meath, but the stallion named in its honour has taken a far more meandering course simply to return to source.

Approaching his sixth birthday, **River Boyne (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) is back home from America and about to embark on a stallion career five years after he was sold by his breeder Derek Icteton at the Goffs November Foal Sale. On Sunday, his full-brother will pass through the same sale ring, and potential buyers would do well to reflect on the career of his elder sibling, described by Icteton as a "hard-knocking horse".

While River Boyne had the speed and precocity so beloved of the commercial market, he also had the durability which should be high on the list of pre-requisites for a new stallion. In this regard, his racing career was markedly similar to that of his perennially popular sire Dandy Man, who retired to Ballyhane Stud at the age of seven with 30 races under his belt.

It is perhaps no surprise to see the name of Ballyhane's Joe Foley in the sales returns as the pinhooker of River Boyne--a €20,000 foal who became a €65,000 Goffs Sportsman's yearling and had his first three starts at two in Ireland for Gordon Elliott. But it was following his reappearance in the ring at the Tattersalls Horses-in-Training Sale that his career really started to flow. [Cont. p2](#)

DEIRDRE TO VISIT GALILEO IN 2021

A new direction in the extraordinary odyssey of the Japanese mare **Deirdre (Jpn)** (Harbinger {GB}–Reizend {Jpn, by Special Week {Jpn}} began on Monday when the 6-year-old left her adopted home of Newmarket to begin her stud career in Ireland. Her first mating is planned to be with Coolmore's champion sire Galileo (Ire).

Bred by Northern Farm and raced by Toji Morita, Deirdre's first three seasons of racing were restricted largely to Japan, where she won five races, including the G1 Shuka Sho. She also took third in the G1 Dubai Turf on her first start outside her native country. Following her return visit to the Dubai World Cup meeting in 2019, Deirdre travelled on to Hong Kong and then to Newmarket, which has subsequently remained her base for an ambitious international campaign. [Cont. p6](#)

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VOLATILE SETTLING IN AT THREE CHIMNEYS

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Bought by Red Baron's Barn and Rancho Temescal, River Boyne moved to the Californian stable of Jeff Mullins and won his first two starts at Santa Anita, including the Listed Pasadena S., followed later in his 3-year-old season by victory in the GIII La Jolla H. From that day on, he never finished out of the first four, winning two Grade II contests as a 4-year-old before earning his Grade I laurels with victory in the Frank E. Kilroe Mile in March this year.

"I followed him through all of his racing career," recalls Icteton, who has recently welcomed River Boyne home to Tara Stud. "He is a really noble, proper, hard-knocking horse. Tough, sound and consistent throughout his whole career. So that's the sort of horse I wanted for my customers here."

He added, "What they're looking for is a sprinter/miler type, who is correct. And I often say that the cheaper the horse is, the more correct the individual has to be. Dandy Man has served

Irish breeders incredibly well over the last number of years. And this is the first son of Dandy Man to come to stud. So I'm delighted he's back. Obviously, I'm delighted we bred him. I think he's exactly what the market wants and we stood him at a very competitive price to try and keep my customers happy."

River Boyne enters stud at €5,000, standing alongside Tara's two sons of Dark Angel (Ire), **Alhebayeb (Ire)** and **Estdhkaar (Ire)**. Despite the obvious sentimental lure of standing a stallion he bred, Icteton insists River Boyne had to pass other tests first.

He says, "You know, the first question you ask yourself when you bring a colt to stud is, would I use that horse myself? And, if

you have to think more than two nanoseconds about it, you shouldn't be standing him. So, whether I bred him or not, he was always a horse I was going to go for. I was very fortunate, I had a lovely line of communication with his owners in California, who have been incredibly kind to us during his racing career." **Cont. p3**



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River Boyne Cont.

He added, "And then when he was being retired I got in very quickly and got on board. So I'm going to stand the horse on his own merits. We breed plenty of good horses around here. He's been an exceptional one in the last couple of years but he wouldn't be here [other than for the fact that] he's the right horse for the job."

Ice-ton continues, "The people who are buying the foals and the yearlings are looking for those foals that have a walk and fill the eye. [River Boyne] has got the walk. There's no reason why his progeny won't have a walk. So, it's important, again, if somebody comes to look at a stallion here, they can make up their mind within about three steps of him walking out the door. Is this horse for me or not? Does he fill your eye? Does he have that little bit of zing about him that you'd like to use? You know, if you have to look at him a couple of walks up and down, I think the answer then will be a 'no'."

As well as that "little bit of zing", there's no doubt that sire power counts for an awful lot when launching a new stallion and, in this regard, River Boyne can rely on some reflected glory from the exploits of Ballyhane Stud's flagship horse. [Cont. p4](#)



River Boyne | Benoit photo

IN TDN AUS/NZ TODAY

HALF TO GOLDEN SIXTY SET FOR MAGICS

A Capitalist (Aus) half-sister to Hong Kong Group 1 winner Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro) will sell at Magic Millions next month. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)

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River Boyne Cont.

"Dandy Man is a hell of a sire," Icton says. "And, I suppose one other thing about Dandy Mans, they're very good looking, colts and fillies, but they've done particularly well in Hong Kong. So a lot of those good colts were getting bought to go to Hong Kong, and of course they have been gelded, so there is no coming back from that. It just goes to show how sound and tough they are. Because, unless they X-ray properly, unless they were sound enough through and through, they wouldn't be there. Look at any decent card in Hong Kong and just look at the number of Dandy Man's [offspring] that are running there at the highest level. So I was lucky this fellow went west rather than east."

River Boyne's brother goes through Goffs on Sunday as **lot 602**, one of three foals being brought to the sale by Tara Stud. "He's a grand foal. He really is a little carbon copy. When

people see what the foal is like, and see what daddy is like, it's probably a relatively unique marketing ploy," says Icton.

Reflecting on River Boyne's younger days, he adds, "As a foal, he always had that great walk. He always had a great attitude.

And, to be quite honest, I hadn't seen him from the time he went from Europe to America and came back here. And, with a certain degree of trepidation when the truck arrived in, I thought, God, I hope I'm going to like this horse. I hope he's everything he was. So once he got off the truck, he was absolutely clean-limbed, he still has the walk, he still has a great attitude, which actually comes from his mother. His mother's just a lovely, lovely mare."

Their dam Clytha (GB) (Mark Of Esteem {Ire}) was bred at Usk

Valley Stud by Kevin Mercer and, though she was winless in her five starts, she has proved to be far more adept in her second career. **Cont. p5**



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River Boyne Cont.

River Boyne is clearly the best of her five winners to date, but she has also produced the six-time winner Harome (Ire) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), who earned a top rating of 93, as well as the 79-rated Brosnan (Ire) (Champs Elysees {GB}) and dual winners Incendiary (Ire) (Excellent Art {GB}) and Keukenhof (Ire) (Dutch Art {GB}). The mare's yearling filly by Divine Prophet (Aus) has been retained by Iceton and is going into training with Eddie Lynam, while the 10-year-old Xerxes (Ire), by former Tara resident Key Of Luck, is alongside her mother back at the farm. Clytha is not in foal at present but will return to Dandy Man in 2021.

In the meantime, Iceton has the job of assembling the key first book for River Boyne, and he says that early signs are encouraging.

"I'm just back from Newmarket and I was amazed in particular at the number of English farms, and very significant English

farms, that spoke to me about him," he states. "I actually was sorry that I hadn't brought him over and put him on show in Newmarket. Anybody that's come into the yard loves him. He's certainly not going to be a difficult prospect to fill. I'm

syndicating him to breeders, and breeders only, which I think is a very important thing to do. So I'm selling shares, not breeding rights because, again, I think it's important that whoever buys into a stallion buys equity rather than a breeding right. I have a good customer base and I'm hoping I can attract plenty of those back again. Of the stallions that have stood here previously, I think everybody [who bought shares] has made money. Some of them have made very significant money out of the

stallions I stood. On balance, if you sell equity to somebody and they've more than one mare, they are going to send the better mare to the horse that they have equity in, I presume."

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Derek Iceton on River Boyne

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River Boyne Cont.

For Flat breeders, there is one final sale to come in a year which has presented plenty of challenges for the world at large, and of course for the racing and breeding industry. The Goffs November Sale is traditionally the first to offer foals in Europe; this time it will be the last after its rescheduling to this week to coincide with the easing of restrictions in Ireland. Like most in the industry, Iceton expresses relief that the business of buying and selling horses has been able to proceed, albeit in a somewhat different style to usual.

"It's been a very difficult year," he says. "I am delighted that we've managed to get through the yearling sales as well as we have. So I'm very grateful to two lots of people here. First of all, the sales companies are to be thanked and congratulated for all they've done. All the changes in terms of sales dates, the expenses that they all had to go to to put the sales on for us in the first place.

"The other people that I really want to thank are my own staff. I have some guys here that have been to England four or five times at this stage. They only go and they come back, they get their Covid test, they do the 14 days and then they're back in England again. And they've done that without a whimper." Iceton adds, "It just goes to show how resilient a business we are in, whereas most entertainment businesses are really struggling. The people who own horses and have them in training couldn't go to see them run for the last year and yet, maybe at a slightly lower level, but not a significantly lower level, the business took place, horses got sold and, please God, we will have a better 2021."

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Deirdre and Yuta Komiyama on Newmarket Heath | Emma Berry

Throughout her lengthy stay in England at Abington Place, Deirdre has been accompanied by her daily rider Yuta Komiyama, who has become as well known on Newmarket Heath as his famous mount.

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FRANKIE DETTORI CELEBRATES 50 YEARS ON TUESDAY

Leading Flat jockey Frankie Dettori, who is also an ambassador for Sporting Index, will celebrate his 50th birthday on Tuesday. The Italian's mounts have found the winner's circle a total of 262 times at Group 1 level and have earned £150 million in prize money. In 2020, Dettori had nine Group 1 wins worldwide, as well as a 70th winner at Royal Ascot. [Cont. p7](#)



BirthDay Boy: Frankie Dettori, displaying his patented flying dismount, turns 50 on Tuesday | [Racingfotos.com](#)

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Deirdre Cont. from p1

On her second start in Britain she became the first Japanese-trained horse to win a Group 1 contest in Europe when triumphing in the Nassau S. at Goodwood. Since then, she has run in Ireland, Saudi Arabia, France and, finally, Bahrain last month.

Yoshi Hashida, whose father Mitsuru has trained Deirdre throughout her career, told *TDN*, "She is going to the next phase but the moments we spent in Newmarket and around the world will be the memories we cherish forever. She will visit Galileo and probably stay in Ireland for two or three years before returning to Japan."



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Frankie Dettori Cont.

“I have never felt fitter or more ready and able than I am now at this milestone,” said Dettori, who has celebrated 63 of those Group 1 wins in the last five years, a career best. “Longines have recently awarded me the title of the Best Jockey in the World, based on worldwide ratings, for the third year in a row so that has added a spring to my step.”

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SOUTHWELL TO SWITCH TO TAPETA SURFACE

Southwell Racecourse’s fibresand surface will be replaced by Tapeta this spring and the project will be completed by the summer of 2021, the Arena Racing Company announced on Monday. A planning application was submitted for the new surface because the fibresand has come to the end of its operational life. Fibresand was first laid down in 1989, the start of all-weather racing at the Nottinghamshire venue. Tapeta, developed by Michael Dickinson and Joan Wakefield of Tapeta Footings, has already been laid down at Wolverhampton and Newcastle—also ARC courses—since 2014 and 2016, respectively. It is also in use in North America at Presque Isle Downs, Golden Gate Fields and Turfway Park Stateside, as well as Woodbine in Canada. This project follows the construction of floodlights in 2019 and the development of a flood alleviation scheme to protect the racecourse.

“Racing at both Wolverhampton and Newcastle has benefitted hugely from the installation of Tapeta, as we have worked closely with Michael Dickinson, Joan Wakefield and their team on the maintenance and upkeep of both surfaces,” said ARC Chief Executive Martin Cruddace. “Tapeta represents the next generation of artificial all-weather racing surface, in terms of its appeal to both trainers and jockeys, and it offers a number of benefits regarding its safety record, relative lack of kickback and fairness for horses. In addition, it has the ability to handle very low temperatures and significant rainfall.”



Southwell Racecourse | Racingfotos.com

“The installation of Tapeta will give us an opportunity to look at the flat programme at Southwell and possibly introduce some Fast Track Qualifier races for the All-Weather Championships, for example. This work represents another significant step forward for racing at Southwell, which we intend to be one of the finest all-weather tracks in the world.”

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LAURINA TOPS THIRD AND FINAL SESSION OF TATTERSALLS IRELAND



Laurina | Tattersalls Ireland

The third and final session of the Tattersalls Ireland November National Hunt Sale was topped by the wildcard **Laurina (Fr)** (Spanish Moon) (lot 801A). A Grade 1-winning daughter of Lamboghina (Ger) (Alkalde {Ger}) over jumps, the Ballincurrig House Stud-consigned 7-year-old was knocked down for €290,000 to Ridgewood Stud. Another 7-year-old wildcard, the grey **Moskovite (Ire)** (Flemensfirth) (803A) found a new home at The Beeches Stud for €160,000. Consigned by Boherna Stables, the mare has placed twice at graded level over fences and is carrying her first foal by Crystal Ocean (GB).

A colt (lot 736) by Jukebox Jury (Ire) out of Sainte Baronne (Fr) (Saint des Saints {Fr}) was the most expensive weanling on the day at €70,000. The half-brother to Grade 2-winning bumper hero Appreciate It (Ire) (Jeremy) caught the eye of Richard Rohan and was part of the Charel Park Stud draft.

The foal session grossed €2,068,500 for 140 sold at a 74% clearance rate. The average was €14,775 and the median was €10,000. Combining the total results for weanlings, the aggregate was €8,932,500 for 529 sold. The average was €17,973 (+7%) and the median was €13,000.

During the mares’ session, a total of €994,000 was accrued for 18 individuals (72%). The average jumped up 229% at €55,222 and the median posted an even larger gain to €32,500 (+282%).

Tattersalls Ireland Cont.

For the entire sale, the clearance rate improved to 78% with an aggregate of €10,055,100, a median of €13,000 (+8%) and an average of €19,008 (+15%).

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MINIMUM HORSE WELFARE STANDARDS PUBLISHED BY IFHA

The IFHA Minimum Horse Welfare Standards were published by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities on Monday. The standards are in line with the IFHA's terms of reference that include promoting best practice, harmonization and information exchange across racing nations. They also complement recent reforms that ensure traceability of horses from their foal stage through into retirement and beyond. Racing authorities should refer to this guidance to establish accepted horse welfare practices in their jurisdiction and to set minimum standards of participant behaviour, including behavioural change where necessary.

"The IFHA affirms the central role of the horse in racing, and accordingly, regards the health and welfare of racehorses, in all stages of life, to be fundamentally important to the viability and sustainability of the industry," said IFHA Chairman Louis Romanet. "The Executive Council of the Federation endorses this IFHA Minimum Horse Welfare Standards document and I want to thank our Horse Welfare Committee Chairman Jamie Stier for leading the efforts to produce this useful and practical guide for racing authorities."

The IFHA Horse Welfare Committee prepared the standards, in part, by basing them upon sections of the New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing (NZTR) "Thoroughbred Welfare Assessment Guidelines" (Oct. 2019) which were developed by NZTR with the assistance of Professor Emeritus David Mellor, Foundation Director of the Animal Welfare Science and Bioethics Centre at Massey University, New Zealand. A short video and podcast featuring the aforementioned RV Executive General Manager Integrity Services Jamie Stier, Mellor, and Dr. Lynn Hillyer, Chief Veterinary Officer and Head of Anti-Doping for the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board and moderated by Rishi Persad have also been produced in conjunction with the standards ([click here to view](#)). For more information, go to www.ifhaonline.org.

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BHA REVISES STOP RACE PROCEDURES

A new stop race procedure, to take effect on Jan. 4, was revealed by the British Horseracing Authority on Monday. The revised procedure was developed by the British Horseracing

Authority (BHA) in conjunction with the Racecourse Association (RCA) and the Professional Jockeys Association (PJA) and have been made to ensure the procedure is as clear and safe as possible for riders, racecourse staff and for those on course.

The changes are as follows:

- The stop race flag has been re-designed from yellow to orange and yellow quarters, to be as visible as possible and consistent with other racing jurisdictions
- The stop race procedure now explicitly requires multiple flags to be deployed, either in multiple locations or multiple flags in one location if that is all that is possible
- Fox 40 whistles will continue to be used, but there will now be no additional verbal instructions to ensure only the sound of the whistle can be heard
- There will be tailored announcements via the public address system to ensure there is as much clarity as possible for those on course and broadcasters

The stop race flag will continue to be used by starters and advanced flag operators to ensure there is consistency for riders and that deployment of the stop race flag means they must cease riding. To view the current procedures, click [here](#) and to view the new procedure, click [here](#).



A flag man at the start of a hurdle race | Racingfotos.com

"It is of paramount importance for the safety of all those involved, whether riding in the race or officiating the stop race procedures, that there is absolute clarity about what to do when the stop race flag is deployed," said BHA Head of Raceday Officials Cathy O'Meara. "Under these revised procedures there will be one type of highly visible flag, deployed either in multiple locations or multiple times in one location, and one sound, to denote that riders must stop riding."

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Stop Race Procedures Tweaked Cont.

She added, "We've also added in more clarity for those watching on course or via broadcasters, to ensure communication is clearer in the event of a void race. Working closely with the RCA and PJA has allowed us to come up with new procedures which we believe will work for everyone, and above all ensure that all the relevant parties are clear about what to do if a race has to be stopped."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2020:

UNITED KINGDOM

Adaay (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Whitsbury Manor Stud
95 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners
18:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, BYE DAY (GB)

Bobby's Kitten (Kitten's Joy), Lanwades Stud
78 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
17:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, BIG KITTY (GB)
2,000gns Tattersalls February Sale 2020

Charming Thought (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Dalham Hall Stud
48 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, FIRCOMBE HALL (GB)
£8,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019
18:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, MYMATEMARMITE (GB)
£6,000 Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Yearling Sale 2019

Kodi Bear (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Rathbarry Stud
83 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
14:45-NEWCASTLE, 6f, MUMMY BEAR (Ire)
£40,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, MY SONNY (Ire)
€4,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019
18:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 5f, NIGHT NARCISSUS (Ire)
€25,000 Goffs February Mixed Sale 2019; £90,000 Goffs UK
Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019

Markaz (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud
78 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, MEANT TWO B (Ire)
€4,800 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; €7,000 Tattersalls
Ireland September Yearlings 2019

Mehmas (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud
146 foals of racing age/52 winners/4 black-type winners
17:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, RIVER CHORUS (Ire)

€10,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; 34,000gns Tattersalls
October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3
18:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 5f, TAPETEN TONI (Fr)
€27,000 RNA Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019

Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro), Taylor Made Farm
88 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
14:45-NEWCASTLE, 6f, CHILLSEA

Pearl Secret (GB) (Compton Place {GB}), Chapel Stud
43 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, GAELIC SECRET (GB)
15,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018

Prince of Lir (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Ballyhane Stud
77 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, PRINCE OF SOL (Ire)
£3,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019;
€1,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2019; 4,762gns Tattersalls
Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2020
14:15-NEWCASTLE, 6f, PRINCESS OF LIR (Ire)
£2,500 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019;
11,000gns RNA Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up Sale 2020

Twilight Son (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}), Cheveley Park Stud
122 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
18:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, FIRST LANDING (GB)
2,500gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 1,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3
14:45-NEWCASTLE, 6f, ZENZERO (Ire)
€16,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearlings 2019

FRANCE:

Awtaad (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud
94 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
1-PORNICHET, 1700m, TAMARIN (Fr)
€45,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2019

Bobby's Kitten (Kitten's Joy), Lanwades Stud
78 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
3-PORNICHET, 1700m, TURF LODGE (Ire)
€6,500 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2019

Dariyan (Fr) (Shamardal), Haras de Bonneval
70 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
1-PORNICHET, 1700m, SATIN LADY (Fr)
€35,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2019
1-PORNICHET, 1700m, SUCCESS STORY (Fr)
€15,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2019

Fascinating Rock (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Ballylinch Stud
61 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
1-PORNICHET, 1700m, CITY ROCK (Fr)
€24,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2019



Dariyan is aiming for an 11th winner on Tuesday
The Aga Khan's Studs

Goken (Fr) (Kendargent {Fr}), Haras de Colleville
61 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners
1-PORNICHET, 1700m, DESIREE DU GUERN (Fr)
2-PORNICHET, 1700m, SWEEPER CHOP (Fr)

Scissor Kick (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), Haras d'Etreham
44 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
3-PORNICHET, 1700m, MOUNTAINS BLUES (Fr)
€40,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019

BRITAIN

Monday's Results:

1st-Kempton, £6,300, Mdn, 12-14, 2yo, 10f 219y (AWT),
2:24.71, st/sl.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE (c, 2, Flintshire {GB})--Ballade's Girl, by Saint Ballado broke in midfield and remained there for most of this debut. Nudged along to close with 2 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 22-1 chance quickened smartly to seize control approaching the eighth pole and was ridden out to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Cosmic George (Ire) (Dawn Approach {Ire}), becoming the sixth winner for his freshman sire (by Dansili {GB}). He also becomes the fourth scorer from as many runners produced by Ballade's Girl (Saint Ballado) and is thus a half-brother to GIII John B Connally Turf Cup victor Coalport (Kitten's Joy), Listed Prix des Sablonnets winner Jolly Good Kitten (Kitten's Joy) and a weanling colt by Good Samaritan. His unraced dam, herself out of a half-sister to GI Santa Maria H. victress Favorite Funtime (Seeking the Gold), was bred to Yoshida (Jpn) this year. Sales history: \$145,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; 78,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,446.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Manton Park Racing; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Martyn Meade.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Waldfabel (GB), f, 3, Frankel (GB)--Waldmark (Ger) (GSP-Eng), by Mark of Esteem (Ire). Kempton, 12-14, 10f 219y (AWT), 2:23.79. B-Newsells Park Stud (GB). *1/2 to Masked Marvel (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), Hwt. 3yo Colt-Eng at 14f+, G1SW-Eng & MGSP-Aus, \$666,784; Waldlerche (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), GSW-Fr & SP-Ger; and Waldnah (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), SW-Ger.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Toulouse, €13,000, Cond, 12-14, 3yo, 12fT, 2:44.40, hy.
FREE BREATH (FR) (g, 3, Bated Breath {GB})--Three Wrens {Ire} {SW-Eng}, by Second Empire {Ire} Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, €22,650. O-Mlle Marguerite de Varine Bohan, Charles Gourdain & Mme Florence Leon-Dufour; B-Aksam Khaddam (FR); T-Charles Gourdain. *€30,000 RNA Wlg '17 ARQDEC; €29,000 RNA Ylg '18 AROCT; €3,000 RNA 2yo '19 OSAAPR.

2nd-Toulouse, €10,000, Cond, 12-14, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:41.50, hy.
OYAMBRE (GB) (c, 4, Sea The Moon {Ger})--Shemriyna {Ire}, by King of Kings {Ire} Lifetime Record: 17-4-2-2, €69,050. O-Filippo Ezri; B-All Seasons Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Frederic Rossi. *22,000gns Wlg '16 TATFOA; €35,000 RNA Ylg '17 ARAUG. **1/2 to Shimraan (Fr) (Rainbow Quest), GSW-Fr, \$421,973.

7th-Toulouse, €10,000, Cond, 12-14, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:31.00, hy.
ROAD TO THEROCK (FR) (f, 4, Sommerabend {GB})--Spirit of the Sea {Fr}, by Maille Pistol {Fr} Lifetime Record: 19-5-4-2, €57,050. O-Maurice Hassan, Mme Katia Denambride & Patrick Bonnan; B-Maurice Hassan, Patrick Bonnan & Ryad Bendali (FR); T-Christophe Pautier. *€3,000 RNA 2yo '18 OSAAPR.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

BEAUTY GENERATION RETIRED

by Alan Carasso

Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock {Aus})--Stylish Bel {Aus}, by Bel Esprit {Aus}, a two-time Hong Kong Horse of the Year and only horse to surpass the HK\$100 mark in career earnings, has been retired after his fifth in Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile. He will live out his days at Living Legends in Victoria, Australia, alongside other Hong Kong retirees Silent Witness (Aus), Mr Stunning (Aus) and California Memory, among others.

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Beauty Generation Cont.

Bred by Nearco Stud Ltd., Beauty Generation was purchased for NZ\$60,000 by Kylie Bax's Hermes Syndications from the Highden Park draft at the NZB National Yearling Sale in 2014 and was sent to race in Australia. Trained by Anthony Cummings as Montaigne, the bay gelding won two of seven starts, including a runner-up effort in the G1 Rosehill Guineas, prior to his purchase by the Kwok Family.

Prepared in Hong Kong by John Moore, Beauty Generation was third to his late stablemate Rapper Dragon (Aus) (Street Boss) in the 2017 BMW Hong Kong Derby and set (and still holds) a track record for 2200 metres, but was reinvented as a 1400-1600m horse for the 2017-2018 season. He carried Derek Leung to a 15-2 upset in the 2017 G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile and Zac Purton was in the irons when wiring the field in the 2018 G1 Champions Mile.



Beauty Generation | HKJC photo

The latter race was the start of an 18-month stretch where nothing could come close to Beauty Generation. In that time he amassed 10 consecutive wins, going back-to-back in the Hong Kong Mile (video) and the Champions Mile and he peaked on a domestic rating of 138 following a first-up success in the G3 Celebration Cup H. Third in search of a three-peat in the 2019 Hong Kong Mile, he retained his zest for racing to post a second score in the G1 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup (1400m) last February. The last of his 18 local victories came in the G2 Chairman's Trophy in April. David Hayes trained Beauty Generation for three starts this season following Moore's retirement.

"I knew it may be on the table," said Purton, who rode the champion 28 times. "It's a bittersweet day. It's a sad end. He's been the best horse for me in my career. I'm certainly going to miss him. He was brave again [in Sunday's Mile] and wherever he may go in the world, I'm sure I'll go and visit him in his paddock one day."

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1	Lope de Vega (Ire) <i>(2007) by Shamardal Crops: 7</i>	5	11	2	5	--	1	112	56	197,961	1,164,665
				<i>Stands: Ballylinch Stud Ire Fee: €100,000</i>						<i>Angel Power (GB)</i>	
2	Siyouni (Fr) <i>(2007) by Pivotal (GB) Crops: 7</i>	6	18	1	6	1	1	117	52	164,336	1,334,329
				<i>Stands: Haras de Bonneval Fr Fee: €100,000</i>						<i>Dream And Do (Ire)</i>	
3	Galileo (Ire) <i>(1998) by Sadler's Wells Crops: 16</i>	18	28	14	22	5	12	94	49	425,325	3,295,242
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>						<i>Love (Ire)</i>	
4	Dark Angel (Ire) <i>(2005) by Acclamation (GB) Crops: 10</i>	3	8	1	2	--	--	116	49	89,636	814,140
				<i>Stands: Yeomanstown Stud Ire Fee: €85,000</i>						<i>Art Power (Ire)</i>	
5	Zoffany (Ire) <i>(2008) by Dansili (GB) Crops: 6</i>	--	8	--	3	--	--	109	48	38,763	838,403
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €22,500</i>						<i>Shalamba (Ire)</i>	
6	Kingman (GB) <i>(2011) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) Crops: 3</i>	11	16	7	10	2	2	83	47	537,675	1,435,354
				<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £150,000</i>						<i>Palace Pier (GB)</i>	
7	Kodiac (GB) <i>(2001) by Danehill Crops: 11</i>	--	4	--	1	--	--	115	47	31,479	599,237
				<i>Stands: Tally-Ho Stud Ire Fee: €65,000</i>						<i>Finans Bay (Ire)</i>	
8	Dubawi (Ire) <i>(2002) by Dubai Millennium (GB) Crops: 12</i>	3	10	1	5	--	--	89	43	87,640	682,743
				<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £250,000</i>						<i>Onassis (Ire)</i>	
9	Night of Thunder (Ire) <i>(2011) by Dubawi (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	10	15	5	8	--	1	75	38	202,448	1,070,185
				<i>Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire Fee: €25,000</i>						<i>Auyantepui (GB)</i>	
10	Camelot (GB) <i>(2009) by Montjeu (Ire) Crops: 4</i>	4	11	3	8	3	3	93	38	175,111	895,178
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €40,000</i>						<i>Even So (Ire)</i>	
11	Golden Horn (GB) <i>(2012) by Cape Cross (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	1	11	--	3	--	--	70	37	57,563	709,020
				<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £40,000</i>						<i>Shandoz (GB)</i>	
12	Sea the Stars (Ire) <i>(2006) by Cape Cross (Ire) Crops: 8</i>	8	11	6	7	1	3	69	35	286,612	1,327,680
				<i>Stands: Giltown Stud Ire Fee: €150,000</i>						<i>Miss Yoda (Ger)</i>	
13	Gleneagles (Ire) <i>(2012) by Galileo (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	5	10	2	7	--	--	77	34	70,704	724,352
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €35,000</i>						<i>Silence Please (Ire)</i>	
14	Charm Spirit (Ire) <i>(2011) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) Crops: 3</i>	1	4	--	1	--	--	70	34	66,435	666,151
				<i>Stands: Tweenhills Stud Eng Fee: £8,500</i>						<i>Fantastic Spirit (Fr)</i>	
15	Australia (GB) <i>(2011) by Galileo (Ire) Crops: 3</i>	5	7	4	6	2	3	75	32	243,116	926,678
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €27,500</i>						<i>Galileo Chrome (Ire)</i>	

HALF TO GOLDEN SIXTY SET FOR MAGICS



Golden Sixty at trackwork Dec. 8 | HKJC

by Bren O'Brien

The international interest in Element Hill's Capitalist filly entered in next month's Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale was already strong before her half-brother, **Golden Sixty** (Medaglia D'Oro {USA}), won Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile.

As breeders of the Hong Kong star, Element Hill celebrated Golden Sixty's ascension to the status of being a Group 1 winner on Sunday, taking his career record to 14 wins from 15 starts and stretching his winning streak to 11 straight victories.

His amazing run of results, and resultant rise to prominence, made a compelling case for the Hutchins family to put his yearling half-sister through the sales ring rather than retain her as a potential broodmare.

"It basically came down to the commercials of it. There was a stage where we felt we were going to keep her. At that stage, Golden Sixty was a very good horse, but he didn't have that international Group 1 on his resume," Josh Hutchins told *TDN AusNZ*.

"It just feels that the commercial realities have come into play, and she is now worth quite a bit of money. We have safely got the mare, Gaudeamus, back in foal to Vancouver, which will hopefully be a three-quarter to Golden Sixty, and if that ends up as a filly, that will be the one we certainly keep."

Pedigree updates don't come much better timed for a yearling than at an international level in the month before a sale. Hutchins also feels the strong start Capitalist's first crop have made on the track will also be of benefit to the filly, who is catalogued as Lot 336, when she goes through the Gold Coast sales ring.

"Capitalist has had a great start with his progeny, getting another winner at Melbourne on the weekend. That helps a lot too. She is a very nice filly and we are looking forward to taking her to the sale in January," he said.

Hutchins feels the daughter of Capitalist would stand up quite well even without the additional bold type on her page, and she shapes as one that will deal with the pressure of the sales environment well.

"She's a no-fuss filly and most trainers, buyers and bloodstock agents are going to see that with her. She's very straightforward. She looks an early type and she has got a good stride on her. She's got a good head and she's just a lovely filly to do anything with as well," he said.

"She has a beautiful temperament and I think she will handle herself in great order. In that way, she is a lot like what Golden Sixty was when we sold him as a yearling. I don't think she will have any issue handling the sales, and I think that's what a lot of people look for.

"They come for the first look and then a second and third time. They are looking for how they handle it, because it's a long week for these yearlings. She'll progress no problem, I have no doubt about it."



Golden Sixty selling as a yearling | Magic Millions

Already in Demand

Unsurprisingly, in the month since the catalogue has been released, it has been Lot 336 which has been the centre of most enquires to Element Hill out of its 16-strong draft for the Gold Coast.

"We've already had enquiries from buyers in Hong Kong and a few Chinese buyers that are stepping up in the industry. There have been plenty of requests for videos and photos of her," he said. "They are obviously getting ready for January given they will be unlikely to attend in person and they are looking to get a gauge if they are in the market to purchase her.

"It's comforting to have that much enquiry and not just from the local market, but from internationals as well. That just cements the idea that we might get that bidding war, which is great for us. I feel she might be one of the most popular fillies on the sales complex."

Hutchins purchased their dam, Gaudeamus (USA) (Distorted Humor {USA}), in foal to Medaglia d'Oro (USA) for \$160,000 at the 2015 Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale. The subsequent foal was Golden Sixty and was sold by Element Hill for \$120,000 at the 2017 Magic Millions Gold Coast Sale, before being pin-hooked by Riversley Park to Hong Kong trainer Francis Lui for NZ\$300,000 through the New Zealand Bloodstock Ready to Run Sale later that year.

The next foal, a colt by Fastnet Rock, to be named Quiet Riot, was sold for \$200,000 at the 2018 Magic Millions Yearling Sale to Bjorn Baker Racing before a colt by Choisir fetched \$150,000 to Matthew Dunn and Neil Jenkinson at the 2019 Magic Millions. He is named Rainbow Connection.

The Family Connection

The Hutchins family retained an interest in both of those horses, with both set to feature for their respective trainers Baker and Dunn, in the autumn. Quiet Riot was an impressive winner on debut at Warwick Farm last January but has been sidelined with injury since February.

"He showed a lot of promise early on. He stepped out and was a city winner for Bjorn Baker. Just before his third start, he kicked a wall in the tie up stalls and incurred an injury which has seen him have nine months out," Hutchins said.

"He's back in the stable now with Bjorn and we are due to see

him in the next two to three months. We should be able to see him step out and trial early to mid-February. The prognosis for racing from the vets is quite good for him."

Rainbow Connection, now a 3-year-old, had a couple of trials for Dunn in the spring but is yet to step out for a racetrack debut.

"He is quite a big horse. He showed a lot of promise at the trials early on, but he got so big, we had to geld him. He just kept on going a little bit shinsore and showing a bit of immaturity," Hutchins said.

"He's back in work now, with Matthew Dunn, and he'll probably step out maybe a month after Quiet Riot. Matthew will send him down to his Warwick Farm stable which is a measure of the level he thinks he is at."

Plenty of Star Power in Draft



Paul Moroney inspecting Capitalist filly | Element Hill

Their half-sister may be the star of the show when it comes to Element Hill's draft for the 2021 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale, but she isn't the only one set to make an impression, according to Hutchins.

"I'm really happy with the lovely, even bunch of yearlings we have headed to the sale. I'm quite excited for this bunch, because it's been a couple of years since we have had a draft of this calibre headed to the sales," he said.

The two other standouts, both on pedigree and on type, according to Hutchins are Lot 627, the filly by Zoustar out of Pasar Silbano (Ire) (Elnadim {Ire}), making her a sister to Widden Stud stallion Zousain, and Lot 583, the I Am Invincible colt out of My Amelia (Redoute's Choice), who is a half-brother to Group 1 winner and Aquis stallion, The Mission.

"The full sister to Zousain, she has just come on in leaps and bounds. She is an absolute machine. We've had pre-inspections already at the farm and between her and the Golden Sixty half, they are up there with our best fillies. She is quite the animal," he said.

"Our best colt would be the I Am Invincible colt, who is a half to The Mission. He's pretty special. We've had quite a few pre inspections, including Paul Moroney, who said we'd do very well out of him. It's good to have that sort of statement from a bloodstock agent like Paul Moroney.

"I'm very happy with the draft as a whole and I'm looking forward to those standouts going through the ring."

Hutchins believes that while there is still an aspect of uncertainty heading into the 2021 sales season, the general signs of economic recovery would indicate that there remains a sufficient level of investment there to sustain the market.

"We probably won't know until the first day of the sale but I would like to think that there is enough money in the market. Coming out of COVID-19, where the property market has been so hot, there seems to still be a lot of money around," he said.

"Even in the midst of COVID-19 in July, we still managed to have quite a significant broodmare sale at Magic Millions. I don't see why that won't carry on to the Yearling Sale.

"I think we will be okay, and I think there will be enough international representatives here in Australia to be able to fill those orders. From the international front, I think there will still be a presence and I think our domestic market is strong enough to fill any gaps."



IN JAPAN:

Legal Battle (Aus), c, 3, **Smart Missile (Aus)**--Pyrography (Aus), by Danzero (Aus). Nakayama, 12-13, Plate Race, 8fT. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$176,923. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Arrowfield Pastoral Pty Ltd (NSW); T-Fumimasa Takahashi. *A\$220,000 Ylg '19 MMLJAN.

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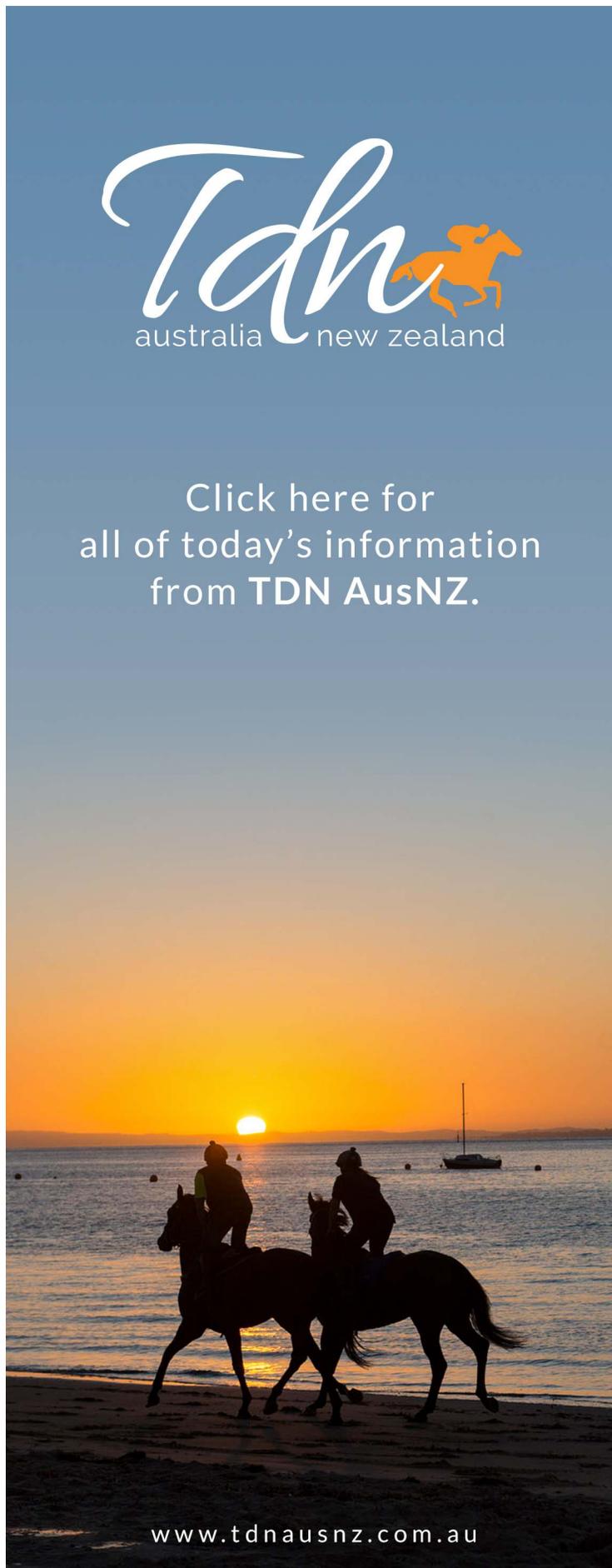
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