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## KY VALUE SIRES FOR 2021: FIRST FOALS DUE: PART I



**Omaha Beach** | Spendthrift/Autry Graham

by Chris McGrath

What an interesting crossroads we reach with the next group of young stallions in our survey. On the one hand, you have this new dynamic in the marketplace, with Spendthrift increasingly welcoming blue-chip prospects to build on its blue-collar successes. Yes, these may be looking to build more conventional, fee-based careers, as opposed to relying on the type of innovative promotions that helped Into Mischief evolve from a source of cheap commercial speed into the champion sire of a Kentucky Derby winner (who has himself now joined the roster, of course, so maintaining the general direction of travel). But other aspects of the model, notably books on an industrial scale, apply even to the stallions who this time last year charged the top three fees of the new intake. (Strictly the top, second and joint-third; though we should note that Spendthrift also looked after less affluent clientele with two of the cheapest rookies.)

At the same time, however, we have meanwhile had the dead weight of the pandemic reining in fees nearly across the board. And here again, as so often, it was B. Wayne Hughes and his team who took the lead. So while the farms have largely priced the latest group of rookies with confidence in an unswerving addiction among commercial breeders, some of the fees charged for the preceding group have been trimmed in purposeful fashion. **Cont. p3**

## AWESOME AGAIN DEAD AT 26

GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner and top sire **Awesome Again** (Deputy Minister--Primal Force, by Blushing Groom {Fr}) died suddenly Tuesday at Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement farm in Georgetown, Kentucky. He was 26. ([Click here for video feature 'The House That Awesome Again Built'](#))

The exact cause of death is unknown. A full necropsy is pending and a full veterinary report will follow.

The Canadian-bred had an exemplary resume as both a racehorse and a stallion. He broke his maiden at Hollywood Park in just his second start as a 3-year-old in 1997. He returned a few weeks later to capture that year's Queen's Plate S. at Woodbine. Back in the U.S. that summer the Stronach Stables homebred went on to win the GII Jim Dandy S. and was third in the GI Travers S. at Saratoga.

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**2020 in Photos: July 3.** On opening day at Monmouth Park, jockey Antonio Gallardo uses the hands-free face washing device developed by winner's circle security officer Larry Diglio. | Bill Denver/Equi-Photo

**TAPIZAR DIES**

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*Tapizar (Tapit) was scheduled to ship to Japan to stand for 2021, but was euthanized after an accident in his stall in the Gainesway stallion barn.*

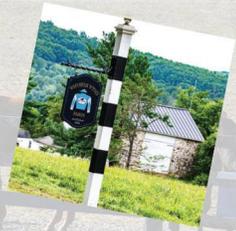
**BRENDAN WALSH JOINS THE WRITERS' ROOM**

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*Brendan Walsh was the guest of the week on the final TDN Writers' Room podcast of 2020. In addition, the team wraps 2020 and previews 2021.*

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**KY Value Sires cont. from p1**

One way or another, then, the seas are high. But breeders can certainly hope to catch a following wind.

The Spendthrift factory was certainly functioning with its customary efficiency when these horses were launched in the spring. In fact, its big three newcomers corralled 683 mares between them.

Anyone who considers that a grotesque number (not least when two of them have meanwhile done a shift in Australia) will look forward to a time, down the road, when stallions will be confined to 140 partners apiece. The game-changing element here, of course, is that the gene pool is no longer being inundated just by slick commercial blood, but by wholesome two-turn influences as well.

What remains unchanged is that breeders participate in this kind of exercise--not just at Spendthrift, of course, but at all the big commercial farms--with their eyes wide open. Yes, sheer numbers behind a stallion increase the odds of a headline runner, capable of effacing much statistical embarrassment; but the trade-off will always be a potential glut of his stock funneled into the same sales cycle.



**Omaha Beach | Coady**

To me, that's a risk well worth running with **OMAHA BEACH** (War Front--Charming by Seeking the Gold) after he mustered 215 mares for his debut book. Even at the highest tag of the intake, we dared to put him on the "value podium" last year because \$45,000 looked such a fair valuation of its standout package. Now that you can get to him for \$35,000, then, the shifting market sands are amply secured by the fact that the package itself remains precisely as attractive as before.

True, the farm has not been able to resist trumpeting him as "No. 1 freshman covering sire."

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# UNION RAGS

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## 2020 YEARLINGS AVERAGED 3.5 TIMES STUD FEE

Stallion	2021 Fee	2020 Yearling Average	Average Return Ratio*
FLATTER	\$35,000	\$130,833	3.74
<b>UNION RAGS</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$106,000</b>	<b>3.53</b>
VIOLENCE	\$25,000	\$72,128	2.89
NOT THIS TIME	\$40,000	\$113,822	2.85
MACLEAN'S MUSIC	\$25,000	\$67,083	2.68
MUNNINGS	\$40,000	\$80,932	2.02
BLAME	\$30,000	\$57,884	1.93
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**KY Value Sires cont.**

I can't blame them for that, everyone else does it, but I do wish people would stop pretending that covering sire "stats" have the slightest meaning. It's insulting to the mare, against whose primary value the paternity of a foal in utero always remains but an incidental benefit; and, in turn, it's insulting to the intelligence of breeders.

Be that as it may, this is a stallion who doesn't need any such flimsy Christmas baubles. So far as these things are ever predictable, Omaha Beach appears cast-iron.

Though sadly scratched as favorite for both the GI Kentucky Derby and an intended swansong in the GI Pegasus Gold Cup, he demonstrated his class with an accomplishment nearly as rare and auspicious as a Triple Crown as the first in 30 years to win Grade 1s at nine and six furlongs in the same campaign. In both

cases, moreover, he achieved bona fide elite form: the GI Arkansas Derby runner-up Improbable (City Zip) has himself just retired at \$40,000, while Shancelot (Shanghai Bobby) is so fearsome a specialist in the sprint sphere that he returned to course and distance next time to burn off all bar champion Mitole (Eskendereya) at the Breeders' Cup.

We'll happily indulge Omaha Beach his own defeat at that meeting, a creditable enough effort in a race that played out all wrong; while the flair of his third elite success, in the Malibu, only heightened regret that his trainer was not asked to explore the full range of his potential at four. Even as it was, however, he is the most accomplished dirt runner by a sire who is beyond the reach of

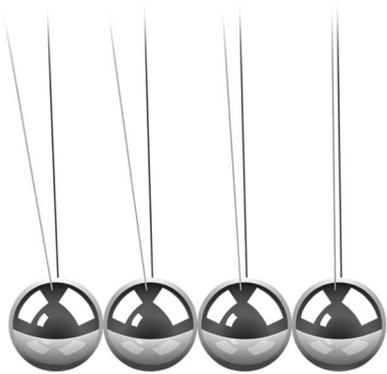
most. Omaha Beach trademarked his speed, and his ability to carry it, in consecutive wins at 1:49.91 and 1:08.79.

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**Vino Rosso** | Spendthrift/Autry Graham

# MOmentum!



## LEADING SIRES OF 2020

by Graded Stakes Winners

Rk	Stallion	GSWs	2021 Fee \$
1	<b>UNCLE MO</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>\$175,000</b>
2	Into Mischief	11	\$225,000
3	Tapit	10	\$185,000

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# Uncle MO

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**KY Value Sires cont.**

And all this is underwritten by one of the most vigorous contemporary pedigrees around: he's a half-brother to champion juvenile filly Take Charge Brandi (Giant's Causeway) out of a half-sister to two other Grade I winners in Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song) and Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), their dam Take Charge Lady (Dehere) herself a multiple elite scorer. The pairing with War Front, meanwhile, doubles the vibrant influence of Rubiano--responsible for Omaha Beach's third dam, besides being damsire of War Front. Rubiano, of course, was a half-brother to the dam of Tapit and duly represents the kind of knot in a pedigree you know to be woven from strong material.

With scopey looks and personality to match, Omaha Beach has all bases covered. If he ends up following the usual commercial cycles, taking cuts until his first runners restore momentum, then he looks one to stick with throughout.

You can only wonder what Omaha Beach might have achieved at four, when you consider the example of his neighbor **VINO ROSSO** (Curlin--Mythical Bride by Street Cry {Ire})--whose strong career finish was rewarded by a staggering 238 mares, exceeded nationally only by Uncle Mo and Mendelssohn, at Ashford, and his own farm's flagship Into Mischief. Nonetheless he gets a clip from \$30,000 to \$25,000 to keep that door revolving.

The theory with this horse is that if it looks like a Curlin, swims like a Curlin, and quacks like a Curlin, chances are that it will be a Curlin. He certainly made the resemblance stronger in his third season, transforming himself from likeable slugger into the brilliant author of a 111 Beyer when taking his bow in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

And I must say it's a lot easier to tolerate such huge books for unproven stallions when they match such sturdy, worthy track performance with a pedigree that is so well balanced. Like Omaha Beach, Vino Rosso is out of a dam who combines the Mr. Prospector sire-line with that of broodmare sire legend Deputy Minister. But he goes a step farther: both sire and damsire are by sons of Mr. Prospector; and sire and dam are out of mares respectively by Deputy Minister and his son Touch Gold.

This is somewhat reminiscent of the way inbreeding to Mr. P. is counterweighted by an influence for toughness and class (namely Nijinsky) in Justify (Scat Daddy), who was born the previous day on the same farm. Glenwood had been typically astute in acquiring Vino Rosso's dam before her weanling half-brother blossomed into GI Belmont S. runner-up Commissioner (A.P. Indy) and another sibling, Laugh Track (Distorted Humor), was foiled by a similarly narrow margin in GI Breeders' Cup Sprint.

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**Add “sire of sires to Uncle Mo’s growing list of accomplishments**

“Uncle Mo is on the precipice of a singular and unprecedented accomplishment as a trio of his sons - Nyquist, Laoban, and Outwork - are poised to finish the year in three of the top four slots on the first-crop sires’ list... and they’ve achieved their rankings by siring quality runners.

Case in point: each of the Uncle Mo’s had a horse win (Nyquist with Vequist) or place (Laoban with Keepmeinmind, Outwork with Outadore) in a Breeders’ Cup race at Keeneland last month, while Uncle Mo himself had Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf winner Golden Pal, one of 22 current SWs for the stallion.”

*Who's Hot, Who's Not, Frances J. Karon, Werkhorse.com, Dec 12<sup>th</sup>*

**2020 Leading First Crop Sires**

Rk	Stallion	BTW	G1SH	Earnings
1	Nyquist ( <b>UNCLE MO</b> )	2	4	\$2,332,086
2	Laoban ( <b>UNCLE MO</b> )	3	2	\$1,548,160
3	Not This Time (Giant's Causeway)	3	1	\$1,462,335
4	Outwork ( <b>UNCLE MO</b> )	2	1	\$1,185,931

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Also the sire of **MO TOWN** (\$7,500), a Gr.1 winner around two turns at 3 years, just like Nyquist and Outwork.

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**KY Value Sires cont.**



**Mitole** | Breeders' Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

Another striking physical, Vino Rosso is a fascinating test case for the commercial proliferation of a really edifying, old-school template. Can you get too much of a good thing? What a pleasant change to find out!

Pure commercial speed, however, was still available from the other big gun rolled into the Spendthrift arsenal last year.

**MITOLE** (Eskendereya--Indian Miss by Indian Charlie) was correspondingly busy, entertaining 230 guests, yet gets an eye-opening slash in fee to \$15,000 from \$25,000.

Mitole bestrode the sprint division in a fashion that would have made him a perfectly legitimate Horse of the Year, spreading his four Grade I wins between six and eight furlongs, with a stakes record in no less storied a race than the Forego at the intermediate trip. Any horse that can sandwich a performance like that between success in the Breeders' Cup Sprint (112 Beyer) and the stallion-making Met Mile has the kind of deep-grained speed that holds. Witness times in those races of 1:09 flat, 1:20.8 and 1:32.75.

The new fee offers a helpful nudge to those seeking a little more breadth to his pedigree, albeit his dam is a half-sister to a Grade II winner; but they should comfort themselves that Mitole's sire, though hastily exported, represents a truly aristocratic family and this was his second Met Mile winner in three crops.

Having started on the same peg, **AUDIBLE** (Into Mischief--Blue Devil Bel by Gilded Time) gets a mild trim to \$22,500 after receiving 219 mares--apparently the biggest herd that WinStar has ever rounded up for a rookie. Obviously plenty of breeders out there agree that what counts most about Audible is the visible, his farm lauding this fine mover as "the best-looking son of Into Mischief."

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**KY Value Sires cont.**



**Audible** | Linzay Marks

He evidently made a lasting impression in the GI Florida Derby, despite subsequently taking six months out after a storming third to Justify (Scat Daddy) in the GI Kentucky Derby and then disappearing for good after a fine effort in the G1 Dubai World Cup. In hindsight the relaxed, long-striding Audible was a real pathfinder for Authentic (Into Mischief) in showing how their sire, with the upgrading of his mares, would stretch his speed round a second turn to become a legitimate player at Classic level.

But fear not, Audible had all the trademark speed and precocity, too, as a \$500,000 2-year-old who was really rolling by the time he romped in the GII Holy Bull S. in 1:41.92. And if the page is somewhat patchy in between, his fourth dam is multiple Grade I winner Classy Cathy (Private Account).

It's perfectly understandable for Claiborne to hold **CATHOLIC BOY** (More Than Ready--Song Of Bernadette by Bernardini) at \$25,000. His genes, physical and track record are just the same, after all, albeit the world around us may be a rather different place. Needless to say, this is a very different kind of farm from Spendthrift anyway, typically favoring conservative books (Catholic Boy began with 131 mares) to avoid flooding the market. Besides, as one breeder recently complained to me, it can be demoralizing when the value of your foal's paternity is diminished when still in utero.

Claiborne has a long history of standing stallions of international reach and Catholic Boy absolutely fits as a Grade I winner on both dirt and turf at three. And it's worth remembering that he had laid down a very similar marker as a juvenile, impressing in the GII Remsen S. after closing to within two lengths in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf.

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**THIS WILL GET YOUR HEAD SPINNING**

**Q:** How many stallions have sired **five** horses to run **100+ Beyers** on dirt in 2020?

**A:** One...

Ranked by 100+ Beyer horses on dirt, 2020

<b>1</b>	<b>Hard Spun</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>2</b>	Into Mischief	4
	Uncle Mo	4
	Speightstown	4
	Munnings	4
<b>6</b>	Curlin	3
	Candy Ride	3
	Maclean's Music	3



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**KY Value Sires cont.**



**Catholic Boy** | Sarah Andrew

He was also a graded stakes winner at Saratoga in that first campaign, so would seem perfectly entitled to get his stock up and running. The immediate family is solid without being regal, but the first three dams are by highly edifying broodmare influences in Bernardini, Seeking the Gold and Nijinsky, while beyond that you get to the same Argentinian family that gave us La Lorgnette (Val de l'Orne {Fr}), the Canadian champion who produced an extraordinary European talent in Hawk Wing (Woodman).

While entitled to breed a two-turn dirt horse, Catholic Boy can plainly cater to proliferating turf/synthetic opportunities and would merit the kind of enterprise we don't see enough from European shoppers. Maybe it's just a case of whether the future arrives in time, but he's "More Than Ready" for it.

Much the same is true of **YOSHIDA** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}--Hilda's Passion by Canadian Frontier), who gets a clip to \$15,000 from \$20,000 after entertaining 148 clients at WinStar. His principal



**Yoshida** | Sarah Andrew

service might be to repatriate the line of Sunday Silence, whose breed-shaping impact on turf in Japan duly extends the versatility we associate with the overall Halo brand (not least through WinStar's own international flagship, the sire of Catholic Boy).

Sure enough, Yoshida crowned a tough and consistent career over three seasons with elite success on both grass and dirt, and was additionally beaten under two lengths both over a straight mile at Royal Ascot and behind Accelerate (Lookin At Lucky) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

His page offers a corresponding blend, tracing to a half-sister to Damascus via a granddam by El Prado (Ire). There is rather more quantity than quality in between, and the damsire won't help in that regard, but something is certainly working: Yoshida's dam won the GI Ballerina S. by nine lengths and clocked a 1:20.45 track record in the GII Inside Information S. Certainly his own sire is a Thoroughbred of the very highest class, while you can judge his physical allure by a yearling tag of \$750,000.

**Read part two of Chris McGrath's Value Sires-First Kentucky Weanlings in Friday's TDN, with coverage of World of Trouble, Catalina Cruiser, Preservationist, Divisidero, Enticed, Flameaway, Maximus Mischief, Coal Front, Demarchelier, Heart to Heart, Lost Treasure and Qurbaan, plus Chris's top three on the value podium.**

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**Awesome Again cont. from p1**



**Awesome Again** | Sarah Andrew

At four, he completed an undefeated season that included five graded stakes victories, among them the GI Stephen Foster H., GI Whitney H., and one of the most memorable editions of the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, where, looking defeated, he rallied in the stretch to defeat Coronado's Quest and Swain and that year's GI Kentucky Derby-Preakness hero, Silver Charm. **Cont. p9**

**Awesome Again cont.**

He retired from racing in 1998 with nine wins from 12 starts and earnings of \$4,374,590.

As significant in the breeding shed as he was on the track, Awesome again sired three champions: Ghostzapper, 2004 Horse of the Year and champion older horse; Ginger Punch, 2007 champion older mare; and Nominee, a multiple champion in Trinidad and Tobago.

His other elite runners include Old Friends retirees Game on Dude--who captured 14 graded stakes and is the only three-time winner of the GI Santa Anita H. in history--and Awesome Gem, who captured the GI Hollywood Gold Cup at age seven; GI Breeder's Cup Distaff winner Round Pond; GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Wilko; and 2019 GI Belmont S. winner Sir Winston.



Awesome Again | Horsephotos

He sired 13 millionaires and five multi-millionaires as well as four Breeders' Cup winner. Awesome Again was also the first Breeders' Cup Classic winner to sire a Classic winner

(Ghostzapper).

Awesome Again had been retired from stud duty at Frank Stronach's Adena Springs in 2019 and was pensioned to Old Friends in October of this year.

"Anyone who ever saw Awesome Again on the racetrack or at Adena Springs knew he was aptly named," Michael Blowen, founder and President of Old Friends, said. "I'm just sorry his time at Old Friends was so short because I know he would have made a searing, lasting impression on his many fans, and I'm so sorry

that circumstances prevented him from displaying his greatness for a lot longer. Awesome, indeed."

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## TAPIZAR DIES



Tapizar | Gainesway

**Tapizar** (Tapit--Winning Call, by Deputy Minister), who was set to be shipped to Japan to stand stud at Yushun Stallion Station for the 2021 season, was euthanized after an accident in his stall at the Gainesway quarantine barn Tuesday night. The 12-year-old was scheduled to travel in mid-January.

"It is with great sadness that Gainesway confirms the sudden and tragic loss of Tapizar," said Gainesway Farm's General Manager Brian Graves in a statement. "Our hearts go out to all of those involved."

Tapizar's top produce is the seven-time Grade I winner and soon-to-be two-time champion Monomoy Girl, a \$9.5 million FTKNOV purchase by Spendthrift following her second GI Breeders' Cup Distaff win. He is the third-leading sire by cumulative earnings from his crop year, and is also third on this year's year-to-date fifth-crop list. He is also the sire of GIII Delaware Oaks winner Project Whiskey, as well as four other graded stakes winners, 10 black-type winners and 24 black-type horses. In all his progeny have earned over \$22 million.

Trained by Steve Asmussen, the Winchell Thoroughbreds homebred won six of his 14 races, topped by the 2012 GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile and GII San Fernando S. Tapizar had stood at Gainesway since his retirement in 2013.

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## VILLAFRANCO SUSPENDED FOR CAFFEINE POSITIVE AT OAKLAWN

By T.D. Thornton

Two winners and two second-place horses who subsequently tested positive for caffeine at Oaklawn Park back in February have been disqualified from their placings and purses, and the trainer of all four, Federico Villafranco, will be suspended for the first 30 days of the Oaklawn Park meet under the Arkansas Racing Commission (ARC)'s "absolute insurer" rule.

Caffeine, a stimulant, is listed as a Class 2, Penalty Category B drug on the Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances list published by the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI).

For a first-offense Category B penalty, the ARCI recommends a 15-day suspension and minimum \$500 fine, with mitigating circumstances raising the penalty to 60 days maximum and \$1,000.

TDN emailed John "Smokey" Campbell, the ARC's executive director, asking for details about the Dec. 14 rulings and an explanation of how the commission determined the 30-day, no-fine penalty. TDN also wanted to know if Villafranco has appealed. This story will be updated if a timely reply is received.

The DQ'd winners were Millwood (Lemon Drop Kid) from the second race, an \$8,000 claimer, on Feb. 1 and D'Rapper (Cherokee Rap), winner of the fifth race, a \$50,000 claimer, on Feb. 8.

The DQ'd runners-up were Fayette Warrior (Exchange Rate) from the fourth race, a \$16,000 NW3L claimer, Feb. 2 and Council Rules (Council Member), who was claimed for \$8,000 out of the first race Feb. 8.

Danny Caldwell was the owner of all four horses at the time of the violations. He was not penalized by the ARC.

Villafranco's suspension will run from Jan. 22 through Feb. 20, 2021.

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## BRENDAN WALSH JOINS WRITERS' ROOM 2020 WRAP-UP SHOW

It's been an eventful year to say the least, and Wednesday morning, the crew of the TDN Writers' Room presented by Keeneland wrapped up the biggest stories of 2020 and looked forward to the promise of a new year with an assist from trainer Brendan Walsh. Calling in via Zoom as the Green Group Guest of the Week for the second time, Walsh talked about the highly-anticipated return of barn star Maxfield (Street Sense), what his hopes are for the implementation of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act and trainees he's excited about sending out in 2021.

Maxfield, a blowout victor of the 2019 GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity, missed the rest of his 2-year-old season with an ankle injury and, after a victory in the GIII Matt Winn S. in his sophomore debut, had to be taken off the GI Kentucky Derby trail soon after with a condylar fracture. Returning to training in late September, he's set to run for just the fourth time in Saturday's Tenacious S. at Fair Grounds.

Asked about how he manages the mental toll of conditioning the talented but oft-injured Maxfield, Walsh said, "It's been disappointing and frustrating each time [he's gotten hurt], but the saving grace of it all is the fact that the horse could come



back from when he's gotten injured. There was always something in the future. As far as fractures go, it was non-displaced and a pretty easy fix. I've had lots of horses with fractures like this and the recovery rate is actually very high for them. So yeah, it was disappointing, especially this year, because it meant missing a potential chance for the Derby, but we always knew that eventually we were going to get another crack at it late in the game."

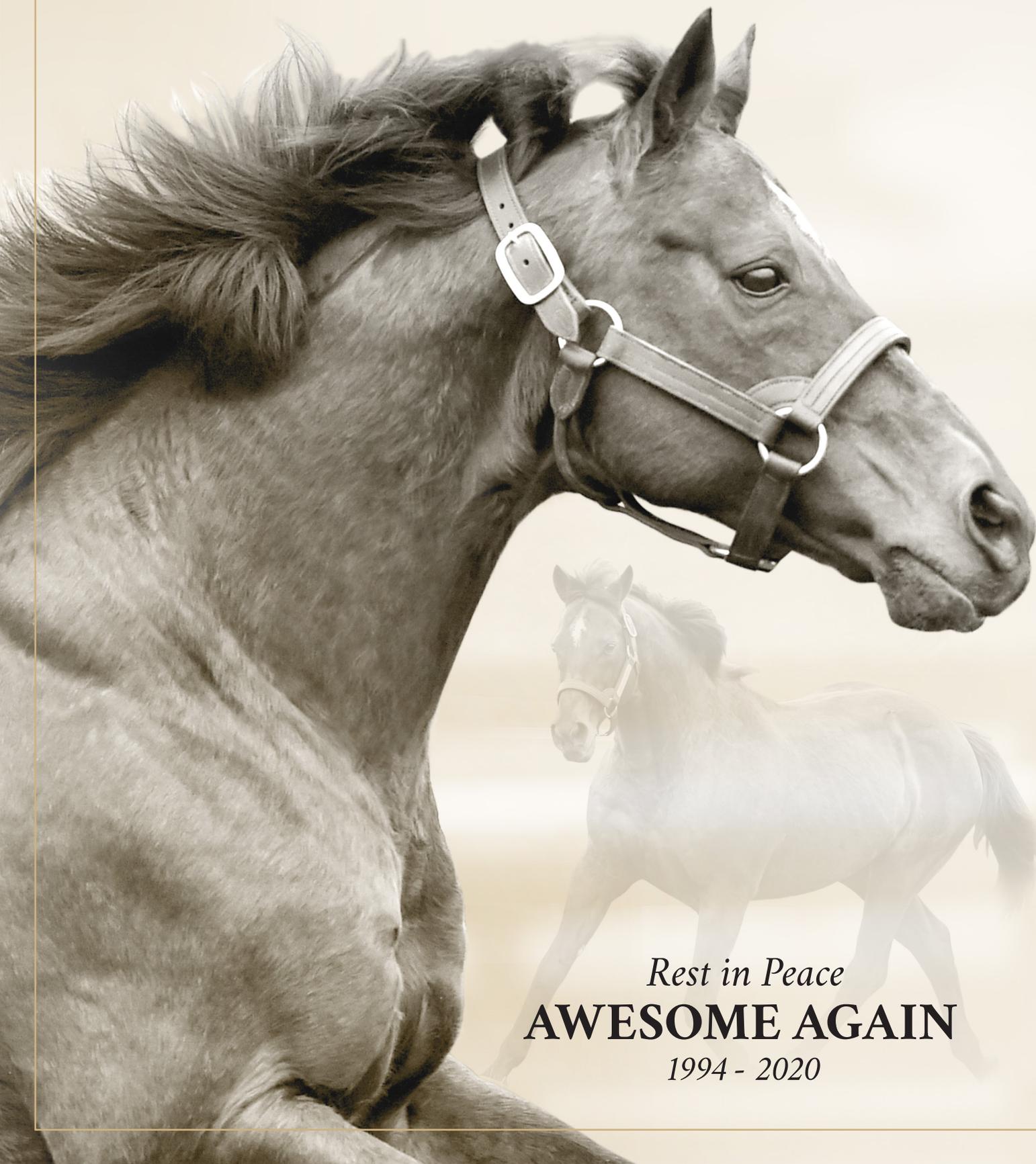
The conversation turned to the expected passage of the HISA in 2021 and how important it would be to establish the kind of centralized regulatory body that the Irish-born Walsh dealt with in the British Horseracing Authority. **Cont. p12**



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“I think we’ve made big, big leaps forward this year,” he said. “Last time I was on the show, we touched on this and I wasn’t totally confident about it happening. But it looks now like there’s a very good chance it will happen. I think it’s highly essential that it happens for racing here. We’ve made a lot of advances in various states with medication policies, etc. but it’s very important to have a uniform policy all over the country. It’s going to make it easier on everybody because people will have a clearer picture on medications we are and aren’t allowed to use. That’s what we’d all like to have.”

Elsewhere on the show, the writers assessed where the industry stands with its most pressing issues such as the FBI indictments, HISA, equine safety and handle trends and how they expect and want those stories to develop in 2021. In the [West Point Thoroughbreds](#) news segment, they talked about the demise of greyhound racing and how horse racing’s powers that be may be finally acting just in time to save their industry. Then they discussed what horses they’re most looking forward to seeing next year and relived the best of host Joe Bianca’s 2020 rants. [Click here to watch the podcast](#); [click here for the audio-only version](#).

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## STRONACH GROUP JOINS PETA IN URGING BAN ON SALE OF HORSES TO SOUTH KOREA

After viewing PETA’s video expose of the slaughter of racehorses in South Korea, including the stallion Private Vow, The Stronach Group is endorsing PETA’s efforts to ban the sale of North American Thoroughbreds to South Korean racing interests.

PETA can now show that Private Vow was sold to South Korea for stud duty in 2014 and ended up being slaughtered for meat in July. He sired 196 foals in the U.S. and South Korea.

Belinda Stronach, chair and president of The Stronach Group, said, “The Stronach Group is urging all North American auction companies, breeders, and owners to develop policies that prohibit the sale of Thoroughbred racehorses or brood mares to South Korea without the meaningful and binding assurances that these noble animals will be protected after their racing and breeding careers.”

Craig Favel, CEO of 1/ST Racing, said, “As part of the 1/ST HORSE CARE mission we are committed to the care and safety of Thoroughbreds before, during and after their racing careers which is why we are endorsing PETA in this effort.”

PETA has asked the Korea Racing Authority to introduce a retirement system modeled on the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, allocate 2% of prize money to aftercare, end its support for horse slaughter, and ensure that imported North American horses will not be slaughtered.

“The over 400 American racehorses exported to South Korea every year deserve peaceful retirements, not terrifying deaths on a slaughterhouse floor,” says PETA Senior Vice President Kathy Guillermo. “PETA is calling on North America’s Thoroughbred horse racing industry to stop selling horses to South Korea until the slaughter ends.”

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**LOS ALAMITOS FUTURITY-GII, \$200,000, 2yo, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Red Flag 🌿	Tamarkuz	Moss, Jerome S. and Moss, Tina	Shirreffs	Espinoza	120
2	Petruchio	Into Mischief	Bass II, Perry R. and Bass, Ramona S.	Mandella	Smith	120
3	The Great One	Nyquist	ERJ Racing, LLC, Train Wreck AI Racing Stables, Brennan, Niall, J., Fritz, Tom and Strauss, William	O'Neill	Cedillo	120
4	Weston 🌿	Hit It a Bomb	Drakos, Chris and Hanson, Ryan	Hanson	Baze	120
5	Positivity	Paynter	Charles, Annie & Justyn Winner	Gallagher	Van Dyke	120
6	Spielberg 🌿	Union Rags	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Golconda Stables, Siena Farm & Masterson, Robert	Baffert	Prat	120

**Breeders:** 1-Elaine Macpherson, 2-Bass Stables, LLC, 3-Coteau Grove Farms, 4-EVADI Farm Team, 5-Allen Farm, LLC, 6-G. Watts Humphrey Jr.

**Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 4:43 p.m. EST**

**MR. PROSPECTOR S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Lasting Legacy 🌿	Tapizar	David A Bernsen LLC and Lambert, Jeffrey	Hess, Jr.	Lopez	122
2	Cool Arrow	Into Mischief	My Purple Haze Stables	Pompay	Zayas	126
3	Wind of Change (Brz)	Forestry	Daniel Alonso	Sanchez	Reyes	122
4	Haikal	Daaher	Shadwell Stable	Pletcher	Saez	120
5	Majestic Dunhill 🌿	Majesticperfection	R. A. Hill Stable	Weaver	Bravo	126
6	Last Judgment	Congrats	M. Dubb, S. Hornstock & Bethlehem Stables LLC	Maker	Vasquez	120
7	Diamond Oops 🌿	Lookin At Lucky	Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC, Dunne, Amy E., D P Racing LLC and Patrick L. Biancone Racing	Biancone	Leparoux	126
8	Sleepy Eyes Todd 🌿	Paddy O'Prado	Thumbs Up Racing, LLC	Silva	Gaffalione	126
9	Firenze Fire	Poseidon's Warrior	Mr. Amore Stable	Breen	Ortiz, Jr.	126
10	Ebben 🌿	Trappe Shot	J S Stables LLC	Margolis	Lanerie	122
11	Zenden 🌿	Fed Biz	LLP Performance Horse, LLC	David	Albarado	122
12	Mind Control	Stay Thirsty	Red Oak Stable and Madaket Stables, LLC	Sacco	Velazquez	124

**Breeders:** 1-Jack Swain III, 2-H. Allen Poindexter, 3-Haras Sao Jose da Serra, 4-Shadwell Farm, LLC, 5-Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC, 6-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 7-Kin Hui Racing Stables LLC, 8-Two Hearts Farm LLC & Kristen Goncharoff, 9-Mr Amore Stables, 10-Hinkle Farms, 11-Brent Harris & Beth Harris, 12-Red Oak Stable



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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Into Mischief</b> (2005) by Harlan's Holiday Crops: 9 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$175,000	21	42	8	19	3	7	347	136	7,170,000	18,217,641
2	<b>Uncle Mo</b> (2008) by Indian Charlie Crops: 6 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$125,000	15	24	9	16	--	4	232	98	406,400	7,460,520
3	<b>Tapit</b> (2001) by Pulpit Crops: 13 Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$200,000	11	19	8	15	2	4	199	76	1,570,000	9,909,119
4	<b>Curlin</b> (2004) by Smart Strike Crops: 9 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$175,000	11	27	6	19	2	5	236	99	1,020,600	8,131,665
5	<b>Munnings</b> (2006) by Speightstown Crops: 7 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$30,000	11	17	6	7	--	2	228	109	571,000	6,828,141
6	<b>Speightstown</b> (1998) by Gone West Crops: 13 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$70,000	9	15	4	8	1	4	166	79	767,145	6,783,511
7	<b>Quality Road</b> (2006) by Elusive Quality Crops: 7 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$200,000	8	14	3	7	--	3	182	72	498,140	4,796,777
8	<b>Stay Thirsty</b> (2008) by Bernardini Crops: 5 Stands: Lovacres Ranch CA Fee: \$10,000	8	11	2	4	--	1	167	81	242,429	3,168,939
9	<b>Fiber Sonde</b> (2005) by Unbridled's Song Crops: 10 Stands: Beau Ridge Farm WV Fee: \$1,000	8	9	--	1	--	--	94	53	184,836	2,396,952
10	<b>Violence</b> (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro Crops: 4 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$25,000	7	10	3	4	3	3	183	88	270,866	4,182,307
11	<b>Street Sense</b> (2004) by Street Cry (Ire) Crops: 10 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$75,000	6	11	4	6	--	--	215	96	699,166	5,988,442
12	<b>Malibu Moon</b> (1997) by A.P. Indy Crops: 18 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$60,000	6	11	1	3	--	1	204	91	459,899	4,837,244
13	<b>Tapiture</b> (2011) by Tapit Crops: 2 Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	6	13	1	4	--	1	152	75	508,600	3,833,093
14	<b>Liam's Map</b> (2011) by Unbridled's Song Crops: 2 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$35,000	6	9	3	5	1	3	101	42	502,800	3,224,008
15	<b>Bernardini</b> (2003) by A.P. Indy Crops: 11 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$40,000	5	12	2	6	--	1	171	64	642,829	4,823,820

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**9th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 12-16, 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:27.48, fm, 1/2 length.**

**SOCIAL PARANOIA (c, 4, **Street Boss**--Shutterbug, by Deputy Minister)**, an eight-length graduate over this turf course last March, parlayed that effort into placings in the GII American Turf S., GIII Pennine Ridge S. and GI Belmont Derby last spring and summer. Fourth in the Saratoga Derby Invitational S., he closed out his sophomore campaign with a score in the Exacta Systems Dueling Grounds Derby and picked up a pair of Grade III victories earlier this year in the local Appleton S. and when last seen in the Poker S. July 4 at Belmont. Hammered down to 1-2 in this return, the \$75,000 Fasig-Tipton July bargain settled in sixth behind fractions of :23.83 and :46.49. Swinging five wide approaching the lane, he closed steadily to overtake Olympic Runner (Gio Ponti) in deep stretch for a half-length triumph. The winner has a yearling full-brother and his dam was bred to both Street Boss and Street Sense this term. Sales History: \$75,000 Ylg '17 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 16-5-4-5, \$955,510. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-The Elkstone Group, LLC (Stuart Grant); B-Mineola Farm II, LLC & Silent Grove Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



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## IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**1st-Delta Downs, \$30,000, Msw, 12-16, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:42.74, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.**

**HYPERNOVA (f, 2, **Violence**--Cosmic Emergency {SP}, by Any Given Saturday)** finished last of 11 debuting over six furlongs Oct. 31 at Churchill and was given a 13-5 chance adding Lasix here. Leading narrowly through a :24.15 quarter, the \$110,000 Keeneland September grad crept clear past a :49.42 half, shook off a mild bid from favored Mopsicle (Liam's Map) on the latter half of the far turn and stayed in charge through the lane for a 2 3/4-length score. Princess Doir (Broken Vow), the lone firster in the field, was up late for second to give trainer Tom Amoss the exacta. The winner's dam, a \$60,000 Keeneland November purchase by Coteau Grove Farms in 2018, has a yearling Klimt colt who sold to Grassroots Training & Sales for \$55,000 at KEESEP. She was bred to Munnings this spring. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '19 KEEJAN; \$110,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$18,838. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Cosmic Racing, LLC; B-Rose Creek Farm (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss.



**2nd-Tampa Bay Downs, \$21,500, Msw, 12-16, 3yo/up, 1m 40y, 1:39.26, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.**

**CONTRAFLOW (g, 3, **Street Sense**--Swap Fliparoo {GISW, \$664,358}, by Exchange Rate)** ran an even third on debut last August at Monmouth and was made a 29-10 proposition returning off the long layoff as a new gelding here. Making the lead with little resistance, the gray dictated terms through splits of :24.09 and :47.69. Shaking further clear into the lane, he faced no dangers from there and hit the wire 3 1/4 lengths to the good of favored Centrifuge (Tapit). The victor's dam, who captured the 2006 GI Test S., sold to Calumet Farm for \$50,000 at Keeneland November in 2018. She has a yearling Classic Empire filly and foaled a colt by Honor Code Apr. 26 before being bred to Ransom the Moon. Sales History: \$90,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$17,650. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Phoenix Thoroughbred III, Ltd.; B-My Meadowview LLC (KY); T-Michael Stidham.



**FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17**  
2020 Stud Fees Listed

**Anchor Down** (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$7,500  
51 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Delta Downs, Msw 1m, CHIEF CHEETAH, 15-1  
\$50,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$100,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$11,000 OBS MAR 2yo; \$17,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

**California Chrome** (Lucky Pulpit), Arrow Stud, private  
104 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turfway, Msw 1m, JAMSSTAR, 9-2  
\$90,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Exaggerator** (Curlin), WinStar Farm, \$20,000  
124 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turfway, Msw 1m, FILLY RAY CYRUS, 30-1  
\$10,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Firing Line** (Line of David), Crestwood Farm, \$5,000  
33 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, GUNS BLAZING, 9-2  
\$60,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Juba** (Tapit), Taylor Mountain Farm, \$1,500  
24 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner  
2-Charles Town, Msw 6 1/2f, TEST ME I DARE U, 4-1

**Majestic Harbor** (Rockport Harbor), Harris Farms, \$2,500  
15 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turfway, Msw 1m, LIEUTENANT KITTY, 15-1

**Not This Time** (Giant's Causeway), Taylor Made Farm, \$12,500  
111 foals of racing age/26 winners/3 black-type winners  
7-Laurel, Aoc 1m, LOVE IN HER EYES, 8-1  
\$14,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$4,500 OBS OCT yrl; \$14,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo  
5-Delta Downs, Msw 1m, ONE TIME GEM, 4-1  
\$120,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

**Outwork** (Uncle Mo), WinStar Farm, \$15,000  
118 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners  
5-Delta Downs, Msw 1m, DREWHUSTLE, 8-1  
\$45,000 ESL YRL yrl

**Upstart** (Flatter), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000  
101 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turfway, Msw 1m, ORGANZA, 20-1  
\$17,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$32,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$24,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17**  
2020 Stud Fees Listed

**Micromanage** (Medaglia d'Oro), Rockridge Stud, \$4,000  
60 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Aqueduct, Msw 7f, MICRO ME, 15-1

**Tonalist** (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000  
179 foals of racing age/54 winners/2 black-type winners  
7-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, TONALISM, 5-2

**Wicked Strong** (Hard Spun), Spendthrift Farm, \$6,000  
234 foals of racing age/69 winners/3 black-type winners  
8-Aqueduct, Msw 7f, WICKED KARMA, 30-1

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**5th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$12,500),**  
12-16, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.27, ft, 2 lengths.

**R MERCEDES BOY (g, 4, Overdriven--Velvet Charm, by Montbrook)** Lifetime Record: 18-5-4-5, \$156,890. O-Averill Racing LLC, CCF Racing Stable, LLC, Jim Stackpoole & Silver Oak Stable LLC; B-Ocala Stud (FL); T-Georgina Baxter. \*\$45,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN. \*\*1/2 to R Girls a Charmer (In Summation), SW, \$171,026.

**8th-Delta Downs, \$33,820, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 12-16,**  
3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.94, ft, 6 3/4 lengths.

**HOP KAT (c, 3, Stay Thirsty--Granny Mc's Kitten {SW & GSP, \$305,793}, by Kitten's Joy)** Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, \$120,688. O-Maggi Moss; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss. \*\$19,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$80,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR.

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**7th-Mahoning Valley, \$31,200, (S), (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 12-16, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13.70, ft, neck.**

**MISTER MOBIL (g, 3, Mobil--Apple Annie, by Lemon Drop Kid)**  
 Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-6, \$99,669. O-Laurie Pratt; B-Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich. \*\$3,100 Ylg '18 OHIOCT.

**1st-Mahoning Valley, \$21,200, 12-16, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:44.61, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.**

**GOOD NEWS (f, 3, Uncle Mo--Engaged, by Malibu Moon)**  
 Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-2, \$44,504. O-CJ Thoroughbreds, Casner Racing, LP & Jerry Durant; B-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Timothy E. Hamm.

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**8th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,392, 12-15, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:06.83, ft, 1/2 length.**

**HARPER (c, 3, Include--Jump Up, by Jump Start)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-2, \$72,937. O-John Conforti; B-Sierra Farm (KY); T-Chelsey Coady. \*\$250,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$25,000 3yo '20 KEEHRA. \*\*1/2 to Amy's Challenge (Artie Schiller), MSW & MGISP, \$647,273.

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**Little Demon, c, 2, Awesome of Course--Evil Dame, by Hear No Evil.** Gulfstream, 12-16, (C), 7f, 1:23.60. B-Jacks or Better Farm Inc. (FL).

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**Flutiste, f, 2, Mizzen Mast--Etincelle, by Dynaformer.** Gulfstream, 12-16, (C), 1mT, 1:37.28. B-Wertheimer Et Frere (KY).

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**Rational d'Oro, f, 3, Musaiter--Rational Thinker, by Diabolical.** Zia, 12-15, (S), 6f, 1:10.59. B-Joann Wilson (NM).

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**Lake Nimrod**, c, 3, **Super Saver**--Kiddari (SW, \$181,992), by Smarty Jones. Mahoning Valley, 12-16, 5 1/2f, 1:07.62. B-Summer Wind Equine LLC (KY). \*\$180,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

**LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE**

**Exult**, g, 4, **Noble Mission (GB)**--Miss Ocean City, by Mineshaft. Gulfstream, 12-16, (C), 1mT, 1:35.91. B-Mike Connelly (KY). \*\$150,000 2yo '18 EASMAY. \*\*1/2 to Azar (Scat Daddy), GSW, \$356,558.



**AWESOME OF COURSE**, Little Demon, c, 2, o/o Evil Dame, by Hear No Evil. MCL, 12-16, Gulfstream

**BAYERN**, Dodger, r, 3, o/o Born Perfect, by Mr. Prospector. MSW, 12-16, Delta Downs

**BIRDRUN**, Monster Hunter, g, 2, o/o Sligo Knows, by Sligo Bay (Ire). MSW, 12-16, Mahoning Valley

**INCLUDE**, Harper, c, 3, o/o Jump Up, by Jump Start. ALW, 12-15, Mountaineer

**MIZZEN MAST**, Flutiste, f, 2, o/o Etincelle, by Dynaformer. MCL, 12-16, Gulfstream

**MOBIL**, Mister Mobil, g, 3, o/o Apple Annie, by Lemon Drop Kid. AOC, 12-16, Mahoning Valley

**MUSAITER**, Rational d'Oro, f, 3, o/o Rational Thinker, by Diabolical. MSW, 12-15, Zia

**NOBLE MISSION (GB)**, Exult, g, 4, o/o Miss Ocean City, by Mineshaft. MCL, 12-16, Gulfstream

**OVERDRIVEN**, R Mercedes Boy, g, 4, o/o Velvet Charm, by Montbrook. AOC, 12-16, Gulfstream

**STAY THIRSTY**, Hop Kat, c, 3, o/o Granny Mc's Kitten, by Kitten's Joy. AOC, 12-16, Delta Downs

**STREET BOSS**, Social Paranoia, c, 4, o/o Shutterbug, by Deputy Minister. AOC, 12-16, Gulfstream

**STREET SENSE**, Contraflow, g, 3, o/o Swap Fliparoo, by Exchange Rate. MSW, 12-16, Tampa Bay

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## QUALITY ACROSS TINNAKILL DRAFT



Invincible Spirit colt out of Chicago Dancer | Goffs

By Kelsey Riley

In an industry that involves cycles of frequent change, one thing that can be relied upon as a constant is the presence of Tinnakill House Stud at Goffs's major sales, and Dermot Cantillon and Meta Osborne's Co Laois nursery reliably returns this weekend with a select draft of mares and foals for the Goffs November Foal and Breeding Stock Sales.

Tinnakill's 17 foals slated for the first three days of the sale include eight during Sunday's premier session. Lot 600 is one of 13 foals by Invincible Spirit (Ire) set to go under the hammer and his dam, Chicago Dancer (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}), is quickly accruing an enviable record at this sale.

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## TATTS IRELAND CONCLUDES SALE SEASON

The new yearling section of the Tattersalls Ireland November Flat Foal and Breeding Stock Sale provided the highlight lots during the rescheduled single-session sale at Fairyhouse on Wednesday, with a pair of fillies leading the way. Taking top honors at yet another yearling auction in 2020 was a Jim Bolger-bred, this time a Dawn Approach (Ire) filly out of the placed My Fere Lady (Mr Greeley) who was bought by Clongan House for €45,000. Her 3-year-old full-sister Feminista (Ire) is the lone winner from three runners for the mare. The chestnut was consigned by Boherguy Stud as lot 925.

Belardo (Ire) has gotten off to a promising start at stud this year, and his filly out of the winning Fashion Line (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) (lot 1004) from Ballybin Stud fetched €33,000 from BBA Ireland. The third foal from her dam, she is a sibling to a winner and from the family of G2 Prix de Royallieu scorer Princess Yaiza (Ire).

The session's highest-priced yearling colt was a son of standout first-season sire Mehmas (Ire) (lot 922) who commanded €21,000 from Con Marnane. Consigned by Collegelands Stud, the bay is the second foal out of the nine times placed Midnight Destiny (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}).

The top-priced foal was Kilmore Stud's colt from the first crop of the 2017 G1 Prix Morny and G2 Prix Robert Papin winner Unfortunately (Ire).

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**Quality Across Tinnakill Draft cont. from p1**

Her first foal, a colt by Sea The Stars (Ire), was bought by the late Gerry Dilger of Dromoland Farm for €330,000 at Goffs November in 2017 and pinhooked for 1-million gns at Tattersalls October Book 1 the following autumn when bought by Godolphin. Named Volkan Star (Ire), he was a winner last year at two for Charlie Appleby and trained on in 2020 to win the Listed Fairway S. and the G3 Prix du Lys over a mile and a half at ParisLongchamp. Chicago Dancer's second foal, a filly by Sea The Stars, made €200,000 at Goffs November last year and will carry the green silks of Peter Brant, having been bought by his White Birch Farm for 350,000gns at this year's renewal of Book 1. Cantillon expressed confidence that Chicago Dancer's third foal will catch the eye at Kildare Paddocks. As well as critically having produced a stakes winner with her first foal, Chicago Dancer is a half-sister to two stakes winners herself, and appearing under



Jack and Dermot Cantillon | Tattersalls

the third dam are the likes of the G1 Sydney Cup scorer Mourayan (Ire) and the G2 Lancashire Oaks and G3 Lillie Langtry S. winner Endless Time (Ire).

"The pinhookers have done really well out of this family," Cantillon said. "This colt is by Invincible Spirit and it looks like the mare throws to the stallion. Both of the Sea The Stars' were very much like him and reminded me very much of their sire, and this one reminds me of Invincible Spirit. He's a good-walking colt with a good attitude. We expect he'll do well for us and I'm fairly confident that whoever buys him, he'll do well for them as well."

Tinnakill offers a Camelot (GB) colt (lot 582) who is the second foal out of Benefaction (Ire), a 6-year-old daughter of Nathaniel (Ire) who was a winner at three in France. Benefaction is a half-sister to the Aga Khan-bred GI Secretariat S. winner Shamdinan (Fr) (Dr Fong) and the G2 Herbert Power S. scorer Shahwardi (Fr) (Lando {Ger}), and a

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### Quality Across Tinnakill Draft cont.

granddaughter of the G2 Prix de Malleret winner and G1 Irish Oaks second Shamadara (Ire), who produced the G1 Gran Premio di Milano winner Shamdala (Ire). Benefaction has a yearling colt by Siyouni (Fr). The Camelot colt is one of six by his sire in the sale, and Cantillon noted they have been scarce in the marketplace.

“I’ve been surprised but how few Camelots have come up for public auction; I think there were only two or three in Newmarket and again at Goffs there are very few,” he said. “This is an outstanding foal. He comes from a really good Aga Khan Group 1 family and Camelot crossed with that type of mare will get you potentially a top-class middle-distance horse. Physically he’s a good horse, he’s a good walker. I’d be very optimistic he’d sell well and I think he’ll be a very good start for the mare. This would be one of our very best foals.”

Tinnakill’s **lot 719** is an Exceed and Excel (Aus) colt out of the Listed John Musker S. third Silver Grey (Ire) (Chineur {Fr}). Cantillon signed for the then 9-year-old Silver Grey for 26,000gns in foal to Brazen Beau (Aus) at Tattersalls December in 2016, just weeks after her listed-placed 4-year-old half-sister Kodiva (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) sold for \$425,000 in foal to Speightstown at Keeneland November. Kodiac, to be fair, looks much catchier on a catalogue page than Chineur, but Silver Grey has nonetheless proven a shrewd purchase for Tinnakill. The Brazen Beau colt she was carrying at the time made 65,000gns as a foal at Tattersalls for Tinnakill, while her next foal, a Fast Company (Ire) filly named Graceful Moment (Ire), made £35,000 as a Doncaster yearling. Tinnakill sold Silver Grey’s Kodiac (GB) yearling colt for 50,000gns at Tattersalls December last year.



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**Quality Across Tinnakill Draft cont.**

“Maybe people were put off by Chineur, but she’s a grey mare and if you look down that family, there have been some very good horses of that colour so I suppose that appealed to me,” Cantillon said.

Those greys on the page include third dam Negligent (Ire) (Ahonoora), England’s champion 2-year-old filly of 1989, and four-time Group 1 and Classic winner Sky Lantern (Ire) (Red Clubs {Ire}). Cantillon explained, however, that the real credit for Silver Grey winding up in the Tinnakill broodmare band is due to showperson Alan Hannigan.

“I was standing on the rail at the back walking ring at Tattersalls and Alan Hannigan, who works for me at the sales, he was leading the horse up and he said to me, ‘Dermot, you should buy this horse,’” Cantillon said. “So that was the extent of the research. On the basis of that I went in and I bought the mare, and she’s been very, very successful for us.”

“Silver Grey was a very good sprinter in her own right,” Cantillon continued. “She was rated 108 and she’s the best sprinter and the highest-rated horse by her sire. Her first foal showed promise at two and has continued; he’s now won three races. This is a typical Exceed and Excel foal; he’s strong, he

looks a 2-year-old sprinting type and he’s got a good walk. He’s what you’d hope for, and I always like to see in a foal that when it comes out of the box, it’s what you’d expect to see. He looks like an Exceed and Excel and I think that’s always a big plus.”

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**Dermot Cantillon on Harry Angel**

Tinnakill offers a filly from the first crop of champion sprinter Harry Angel (Ire) in **lot 677**. Cantillon purchased the filly’s

dam, the winning Mokaraba (GB) (Unfuwain) for €30,000 at Goffs November four years ago from the Derrinstown Stud draft, and in the interim Mokaraba’s first foal, the GIII Robert J Frankel S. winner Qaraaba (GB) (Shamardal), has provided the family a significant boost.



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Her current 3-year-old is Harvest Moon (Uncle Mo), who won four straight races this summer including the G3 Torrey Pines S. and the GII Zenyatta S. before finishing fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff at Keeneland last month. Qaraaba's Californiagoldrush (Cape Blanco {Ire}), now five, won the GII Sands Point S. and was third in the GI Del Mar Oaks in 2018. The third dam is the five-time Group 1 winner and triple Classic scorer Salsabil (Sadler's Wells), herself a daughter of champion Flame Of Tara (GB) and a half-sister to Group 1 winner and sire Marju (Ire). "I bought that mare from Derrinstown and I've been lucky that a number of good black-type horses have come up particularly under her first daughter, who was a stakes winner," Cantillon said. "Qaraaba is producing fillies that are Group 1 fillies, really, and I'm excited about what's going to happen as the pedigree matures."

"I think the Harry Angel filly looks a real sprinting type," he added. "What I liked about Harry Angel is that he had brilliance. On the racecourse he showed on a number of occasions that he was brilliant. I always think that if you're going to invest in a stallion, if the stallion has shown that I think it sets them out from the crowd. I have a breeding right in the horse and that's why I bought it, because I was attracted to the fact that he was such a great racehorse."

Tinnakill offers just two mares during the breeding stock session of the Goffs November Sale on Monday, and each is a young stakes winner or producer. First into the ring as lot 898 is the 9-year-old **Hala Hala (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Cantillon bought her for 68,000gns at the same Tattersalls December sale he plucked Silver Grey from in 2016, and the two-time winner out of the Galileo (Ire) mare Galistic (Ire) cost 68,000gns on that occasion while barren. The three foals she has produced for Tinnakill have all done well in the ring—a €55,000 yearling, a 50,000gns foal and a 58,000gns foal—and the middle of those, an Exceed and Excel filly named Hala Hala Hala (Ire), was a winner this year at two and second in the G3 Princess Margaret S. Hala Hala is offered in foal to Bated Breath (GB).

Following Hala Hala into the ring will be **Crisaff's Queen (GB)** (Zoffany {Ire}) (lot 899), who broke her maiden in listed company in Italy at second asking and is offered carrying her first foal, by Ten Sovereigns (Ire). Tinnakill purchased her for €30,000 at Goffs February this year.

"They're two really nice mares," Cantillon said. "Hala Hala, her second foal was second in a Group 3 as a 2-year-old and looks like she could win a stake next year. Crisaff's Queen is what a lot of people really look for, and that's a stakes-winning 2-year-old. They're two good mares and I think they'd be two good additions to any broodmare band."

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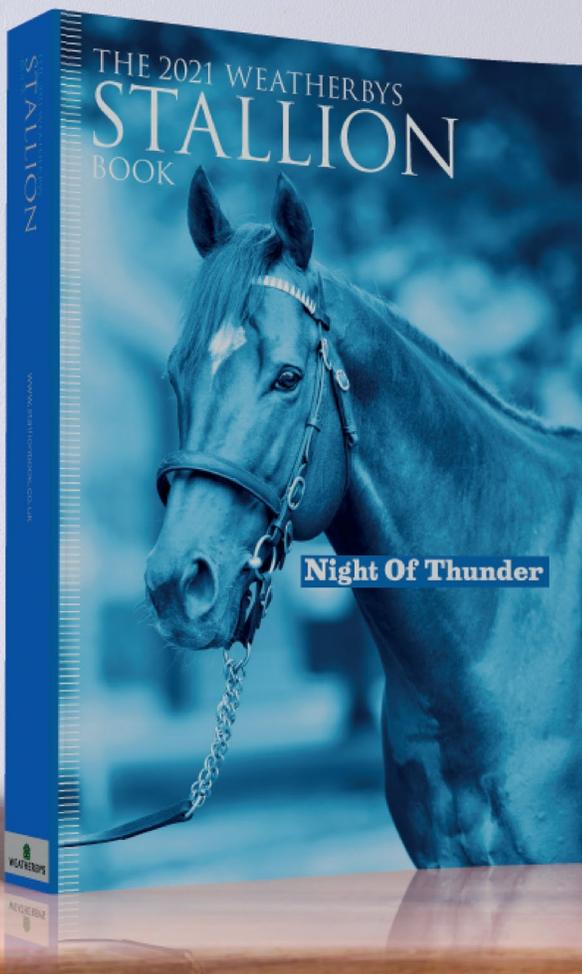
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**Tatts Ireland Concludes Sale Season cont. from p1**

Lot 1046, who is a half-brother to the Grade 3-placed chaser The Last Marju (Ire) and a grandson of G1 Nunthorpe S. winner Lochangel (GB), was bought by Ivor Andray Bloodstock for €25,000.

Trade overall was plagued by a low clearance rate, with just 53% of the horses that went through the ring finding new homes—that was down slightly from 55% last year. In all, 72 horses found new homes on the day for an aggregate of €439,700. The average dipped 5% to €6,107, while the median remained steady at €3,000.



The sale-topping Dawn Approach filly | Tattersalls Ireland

Tattersalls Ireland Chief Executive Officer Matt Mitchell said, "Today we concluded the 2020 sales season at Tattersalls Ireland. Reflecting on the year, 2020 has been one of the most challenging to date for all of us. That said, we have been able to conclude a successful season working closely with our colleagues at Park Paddocks and in tandem with HRI, ITM and Goffs. A heartfelt thank you must go to our loyal clients, who even in the most uncertain times continued their commitment to Tattersalls Ireland and for that we are extremely grateful.

"The year may have been testing, but the resilience of the bloodstock market is a testament to the industry. The market leading Derby Sale produced the second highest priced filly for the sale on record when the half-sister to Altior was sold for €300,000 to Gordon Elliott and Aidan O’Ryan. The September Yearling Sale saw a record price of £325,000 as well as the Goresbridge Breeze Up Sale seeing a 9% increase in average and a median price of €21,978, an increase of 22%. The November National Hunt Sale achieved its own records with the highest average on record and a record price for a mare when Laurina was sold for €290,000.

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• Gross	€439,700	€547,600
• Average (% change)	€6,107 (-5%)	€6,442
• Median (% change)	€3,000	€3,000

support the racecourse received.

“In 2020 the impact of the pandemic has been significant but mitigated by cushions such as the Government Furlough Scheme, Business Rates Relief and pandemic insurance for racing without crowds,” he said. “That picture adversely changes in 2021 and the business has had to take the appropriate steps to reduce its fixed and variable costs.

“Without our pandemic insurance and the Government support of furlough and business rates relief, our 2020 trading loss would be over £20m. The year will only be overall cash positive due to that support and a very significant reduction in our capital investment programme. 2021 will be much more challenging without such support. Our modelling currently projects a significant figure pre-tax loss in 2021. Whilst the business is robust and remains in sound financial health, the journey back to normality will be gradual and determined by the phasing of public allowed to the races.”

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**ASCOT PROJECTS TOUGH TIMES AHEAD**

Ascot Racecourse has said it does not expect crowds to return to pre-COVID levels before 2022, and in releasing its 2019 financial results on Wednesday painted a bleak financial picture for the next two years in the absence of continued government support.

“Overall, in terms of our long-term financial flight path, we forecast that the Covid-19 pandemic will have set the business plan back at least three years,” said Guy Henderson, chief executive officer of Ascot Racecourse.

Ascot returned a net profit of £7.3-million last year and a rise in turnover and reduced its net debt to £37.9-million, which is ahead of schedule, while making further investment and capital expenditure in racecourse facilities. Looking at 2020 and ahead into 2021, however, Henderson said things would have been extremely bleak this year without the significant government



The Ascot parade ring during Royal Ascot in 2017 | Horsephotos

**MORE CUPS TARGETS FOR CROSS COUNTER**

Godolphin’s 2018 G1 Melbourne Cup winner **Cross Counter (GB)** (Teofilo {Ire}) will have the Australian showpiece as a target once again in 2021 as the gelding stays in training with Charlie Appleby as a 6-year-old.

“Off the back of Twilight Payment winning the Melbourne Cup at the age of seven, hopefully there is still a bit of life left in Cross Counter,” Appleby said. “To win the Melbourne Cup as 3-year-old is a tough gig to do. He went back and put up another good performance in the race last year [eighth], and I just felt this year during the summer he showed the signs of fatigue, so therefore we knocked his season on the head and gave him the rest of the summer off.”

**More Cups Targets For Cross Counter cont.**

Indeed, Cross Counter ran just three times this year, when third in the Longines Turf Handicap on the Saudi Cup Card and when third in both the G1 Gold Cup at Royal Ascot and the G3 Henry II S. at Sandown.

“He is out in Dubai getting some sunshine, and we will start his campaign there,” Appleby said. “I’d probably say the Dubai Gold Cup would be his main early-year aim. It’s hard for him to run in those handicaps with big weights like he did in that race in Saudi Arabia last year, so I’d think we will aim for the Dubai Gold Cup.

“If he can rekindle his form he will be competitive in that, then longer term, we might work back from a Melbourne Cup with him.”

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**AMBIVALENT TO VISIT KING OF CHANGE**

**Ambivalent (Ire)** (Authorized {Ire}), the winner of the G1 Pretty Polly S. in 2013 and the G2 Middleton S. in 2014, will visit Derrinstown Stud’s new recruit King Of Change (GB) (Farhh {GB}) in 2021. Ali Saeed’s Ambivalent has already gotten off to a good start as a broodmare; her first foal was Al Hilalee (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), winner of last year’s G2 Prix Hocquart for Godolphin. Ambivalent has an unraced 2-year-old filly by Sea The Stars (Ire) named Teona (Ire), a yearling colt by Invincible Spirit (Ire) and a filly foal by Dubawi (Ire).

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**RACING WELFARE EMERGENCY APPEAL HITS TARGET**

Racing Welfare’s Emergency Appeal, which was launched when the COVID-19 pandemic hit to make up for the income deficit the charity faced due to the cancellation of its fundraising events, has hit its £500,000 target.

Racing Welfare Chief Executive Dawn Goodfellow said, “I can honestly say that we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the racing community. The news that we have hit our target is a great boost as we head towards the end of 2020 and is a wonderful reflection of the unwavering support we have received this year. I cannot say thank you enough to everyone who has donated during what has been a tough time for so many. I very much hope everyone in the industry is able to enjoy the festive period and remind anyone who needs support that Racing Welfare remains available 24/7 throughout this time.”

Racing Welfare this week has sent out nearly 600 Christmas boxes to retired racing staff who in normal times would be joining together for Christmas lunches. The charity has also continued its check-in calls and Facebook group, Racing Conversation, to try to combat loneliness and isolation during the pandemic.

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**FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS**

**Thursday, December 17:**

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Adaay (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Whitsbury Manor Stud  
 95 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners  
 17:30-CHELMSFORD CITY, 10f, POCKETEER (Ire)  
 50,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3

**Charming Thought (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}), Dalham Hall Stud  
 48 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
 16:55-CHELMSFORD CITY, 8f, OLYMPE DE GOUGES (GB)

**Kodi Bear (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Rathbarry Stud  
 83 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner  
 15:25-SOUTHWELL, 6f, COCO BEAR (Ire)  
 25,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; £15,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019

**Mehmas (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud  
 146 foals of racing age/53 winners/4 black-type winners  
 15:25-SOUTHWELL, 6f, MEHMO (Ire)  
 £24,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019; 6,500gns

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**First-Season Sires With Runners cont.**

Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale 2020

15:25-SOUTHWELL, 6f, YORKSHIRE PIRLO (Ire)

**Speightster** (Speightstown), WinStar Farm

122 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners

16:20-CHELMSFORD CITY, 7f, K REX

\$35,000 Keeneland Association September Yearling Sale 2019

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

122 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner

17:30-CHELMSFORD CITY, 10f, COMPLEXO (GB)

15,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2018; 8,000gns

Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3

**FRANCE****Goken (Fr)** (Kendargent {Fr}), Haras de Colleville

61 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners

1-DEAUVILLE, 1900m, TORTOLA (Fr)

€20,000 RNA Arqana Deauville v2 Yearling Sale 2019

**BRITAIN****Wednesday's Results:****2nd-Kempton, £6,300, Nov, 12-16, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.82, st/sl.**

**BILL PEYTO (IRE) (c, 2, Acclamation {GB}--Ardeola {Ger}, by Manduro {Ger})**, an Oct. 3 debut second going seven furlongs at Newmarket in his only prior go, raced under a firm hold in fourth after an alert getaway here. Rowed along approaching the two pole, the 9-2 chance was ridden along to challenge entering the final eighth and kept on well to prevail by a neck from Wake Up Harry (GB) (Acclamation {GB}). Kin to a yearling colt by New Bay (GB), he is the first of two foals produced by a multiple-winning half to G1 Melbourne Cup and G1 H E Tancred S. hero Almandin (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and G2 Gerling-Preis victor Atempo (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Sales history: €90,000 Ylg '19 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,205.

O-Australian Bloodstock; B-Ronald Rauscher (IRE); T-David Simcock.

**3rd-Kempton, £6,300, Nov, 12-16, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.44, st/sl.**

**BEATING ALL (c, 2, American Pharoah--Ann of the Dance {SW & GSP-US, \$198,332}, by English Channel)** broke well and settled third along the fence after the initial exchanges of this unveiling. Shaken up soon after turning for home, the 11-4 second choice quickened for control inside the quarter-mile marker and ran on strongly in the latter stages to comfortably hold Foxes Tales (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) by a length. He is the third of five foals and second scorer out of stakes-winning GIII Arlington-Washington

Lassie S. placegetter Ann of the Dance (English Channel), herself a full-sister to GI E. P. Taylor S. heroine Al's Gal and a half to Brazilian Group 2-winning dam of MG1SW GI Shadwell Turf Mile victor Ivar (Brz) (Agnes Gold {Jpn}). His dam, who was bred to Nyquist this year, has a yearling filly by Animal Kingdom and a weanling colt by Bernardini to come. Sales history: \$370,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,487.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Saeed Suhail; B-Betz-Lamantia-Ramsby-Strong, B &amp; K Canetti-J Betz-Ashford Stud (KY); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**2nd-Lingfield, £5,300, Nov, 12-16, 2yo, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:37.99, st. POSSIBLE MAN (GB) (c, 2, Le Havre {Ire}--Baldovina {GB}, by Tale of the Cat)**, who ran ninth tackling one mile at Kempton in his Nov. 18 debut last time, occupied an inside slot in third for most of this one. Scrubbed along with three furlongs remaining, the 7-2 second choice came under sterner urging in the straight and was driven out to assert by an ultimately snug half length from Unforgotten (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). He becomes the fifth scorer produced by a daughter of G3 Prix Penelope victress Baldwina (Fr) (Pistolet Bleu {Ire}) and the April-foaled homebred bay is a half-brother to G2 Queen Mary S. winner Ceiling Kitty (GB) (Red Clubs {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Frankel (GB). Ceiling Kitty is the dam of Listed Chesham S. victor and G3 Solario S. runner-up Arthur Kitt (GB) (Camelot {GB}) and Listed Boadicea Fillies' S. victress and G3 Summer S. third Eartha Kitt (GB) (Pivotal {GB}). Descendants of Baldwina include G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) heroine Jeweler (Jpn) (Victoire Pisa {Jpn}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,617. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-King Power Racing Co Ltd (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Primo Bacio (Ire), f, 2, Awtaad (Ire)--Suvanna (Ire)**, by Arcano (Ire). Lingfield, 12-16, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.99. B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE). \*13th winner for freshman sire (by Cape Cross {Ire}). \*\*100,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT.

**Sealed Offer (GB), f, 2, Lethal Force (Ire)--Royal Seal (GB)**, by Dansili (GB). Lingfield, 12-16, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.56. B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB). \*18,000gns 2yo '20 TATAHI.

**Mutahamisa (Ire), f, 2, Mehmas (Ire)--Il Palazzo**, by Giant's Causeway. Kempton, 12-16, 7f (AWT), 1:27.29. B-CN Farm Ltd (IRE). \*53rd winner for freshman sire (by Acclamation {GB}). \*\*42,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; 75,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT. \*\*\*1/2 to Still Standing (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), SW-Ire.

**Affwonn (Ire), c, 3, Free Eagle (Ire)--Shauna's Princess (Ire)**, by Soviet Star. Wolverhampton, 12-15, 8f 142y (AWT), 1:48.24. B-Mrs B Gardiner (IRE). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*50,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT.

# FRANCE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**5th-Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, €16,000, Cond, 12-16, 3yo/up, 10f (AWT), 2:07.76, st.**

**SKALLETTO (FR) (g, 6, Kendargent {Fr}--Skallet {Fr} {SW & MGSP-Fr, \$181,946}, by Muhaymin)** Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 46-8-6-10, €153,655. O-Mme Rosine Bouckhuyt, Eric Blaisse & Philippe Delaey; B-Guy Pariente Holding (FR); T-Fabrice Vermeulen. \*€60,000 RNA Ylg '15 ARAUG. \*\*Full to Skalleti (Fr), MGSW-Fr, GSW-Itly & G1SP-Eng, \$768,604; and Skazino (Fr), SW-Fr, \$180,695.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Electrifying (GB), f, 2, Dark Angel (Ire)--Electrify (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire).** Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, 12-16, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:30.67. B-Carisbrooke Stud (GB). \*€40,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFOR.

**Katafonic (Fr), c, 3, Iffraaj (GB)--Pitamore (SP-Fr), by More Than Ready.** Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, 12-16, 10f (AWT), 2:03.95. B-Wertheimer & Frere (FR). \*€13,000 3yo '20 ARQJUL.

# IRELAND

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**7th-Dundalk, €11,000, Cond, 12-16, 3yo/up, 8f (AWT), 1:37.91, st.**

**JUYUSH (GB) (g, 5, Frankel {GB}--Faithfilly {Ire} {SW-Fr}, by Red Clubs {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 16-4-0-0, \$37,671. O-Direct Bloodstock; B-Qatar Bloodstock & Ecurie des Charmes (GB); T-Sarah Lynam. \*€300,000 Ylg '16 ARAUG; £30,000 3yo '18 GOHITY.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Catena Zapata (Ire), c, 2, Vadamos (Fr)--Pretty Priceless (Ire), by Pearl of Love (Ire).** Dundalk, 12-16, 8f (AWT), 1:39.25. B-Woodtown House Stud (IRE). \*12th winner for freshman sire (by Monsun {Ger}). \*\*€7,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV; €27,000 Ylg '19 TIRSEP.

**Pin Your Hopes (Ire), g, 3, Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)--Izola (GB), by Beat Hollow (GB).** Dundalk, 12-16, 12f (AWT), 2:35.36. B-Peter & Hugh McCutcheon (IRE). \*€11,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP; 10,000gns RNA 3yo '20 TATAHI.

# MIDDLE EAST

**DUBAI CREEK MILE-Listed, AED132,500, Meydan, 12-17, NH 3yo/up & SH 4yo/up, 1600m.**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Quip	Distorted Humor	SCR	SCR	SCR
2	Casey Jones (Ire)	Casamento (Ire)	Fresu	Al Mheiri	125
3	Capezzano	Bernardini	Ffrench	bin Ghadayer	130
4	Kimbear	Temple City	Dobbs	Watson	132
5	Thegreatcollection	Saint Anddan	Cosgrave	Watson	125
6	Secret Ambition (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	O'Shea	Seemar	128
7	Mount Pelion (Ire)	Raven's Pass	Hitchcott	Watson	125
8	Alkaamel (GB)	Havana Gold (Ire)	O'Neill	Al Mheiri	125
9	Salute The Soldier (Ger)	Sepoy (Aus)	de Vries	Nass	130

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## BELIEBER ON TOP INGLIS DIGITAL SALE



**Belieber** | Inglis

by TDN AusNZ

Smart gelding Belieber (Zoustar) topped the Inglis Digital December Online Sale after being purchased by Tory Lavalle of ML Stables for \$300,000.

Offered by former trainers Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, the gelding broke his maiden by an impressive 3l back in November. Lavalle and his family are chasing the Group 1 dream to honour the memory of Tory's brother, Mick who died suddenly in 2014 at just 50 years of age.

"My brother raced horses for more than 30 years, many with Kembla Grange trainers, and the family want to continue his legacy," Lavalle said. "Our aim is to win a Group 1 in his honour, so we are in the process of building up ML Stables at Kembla Grange with trainer Anthony Mountney.

"We'd like to have 16 in work at all times but with a few babies still to come through, it's exciting to be starting the new year with a horse like Belieber who is already racing and looks very progressive."

The gelding was bred and raced by the Tait family, sporting their famous colours of red with a white cap.

Olly Tait, who described Belieber as a lovely horse, was full of praise for the Inglis Digital platform, which he has used several times in the past.

"Extremely happy with the result, I certainly thought the horse had every opportunity in that he was exposed to buyers the world over," he said. "Inglis' promotion was excellent, the promotional video was fabulous and the work the Inglis team did is very much appreciated."

At the conclusion of the Sale, the December Online Auction grossed \$2.64 million which pushed the 2020 turnover to just shy of \$52 million, plus a clearance rate of 81 per cent.

### *Maher purchases Koorungal yearlings*

Koorungal Stud sold 20 yearlings for a total of \$243,250, with their colt by Duporth out of Miss Cacciatore (Snitzel) one of three purchases made by Ciaran Maher from their draft.

"Ciaran was here today to inspect all the yearlings and we're really happy to see these colts and fillies go to trainers nice and early and be given every opportunity which is important for some of our young broodmares," Principal Stuart Lamont said. "We had several sell for more than expected and it's all about averages for us, so overall we're very happy."

Three other lots sold for six figures – they were multiple stakes-placed mare Niccovi (Nicconi), who was purchased by Telemon Thoroughbreds for \$185,000, Bob McKay paid \$150,000 for the Fastnet Rock mare Cerebellum, carrying a positive to Dundee (NZ) and Star Encounter (Jeune {GB}), the dam of three stakes winners, was snapped up by Ferguson Bloodstock for \$105,000.



**Olly Tait** | SDP Media

As the clock hit zero on the final lot in the December catalogue, Inglis Digital Business Manager Nick Melmeth had a chance to reflect on the standout 2020 moments for the platform.

“It’s been immensely satisfying to see the growth of Inglis Digital from a fledgling monthly online sale, to become a trusted and popular avenue for people to trade stock – and the quality of horses continues to raise the bar,” Melmeth said. “Since it launched in May, 2017, Inglis Digital has recorded \$90.5 million in turnover.

“Obviously 2020 has been a boom year, 43 lots sold for \$100,000 or more (82 since 2018), Digital had its first Group 1-winning graduate in Bella Vella (\$22,500 2019 April), a new record top lot last sale – when Sneaky Five’s dam Small Minds sold for \$410,000 – and the platform was utilised for the Great Southern Sale and Melbourne Gold Sale due to the Victorian lockdown.

“But even more rewarding, is seeing the new owners enjoy success on the racetrack. When Digital graduates win four of seven races at Orange on Monday, we as a team will celebrate it as much as reading about a winner in Macau or a \$135,000 graduate like Dance winning in town.

“We’ve forged relationships with new clients and now have a database of more than 7800 registered bidders.

“We’re excited by the prospect of the platform improving even further in 2021 and look forward to working with buyers and sellers to achieve further outstanding results.”

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