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## HORSE RACING INTEGRITY AND SAFETY ACT ADVANCES IN CONGRESS



by Bill Finley

The \$900 billion COVID-19 relief bill that was expected to pass Monday includes a provision that calls for the passage of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act. With the omnibus spending bill having received bipartisan support and with President Donald J. Trump expected to sign it, the legislation that would bring sweeping change to how the sport is regulated and policed appears to have cleared its final hurdle.

Congressional leaders announced Sunday night that they had reached a deal on the stimulus package that included the horse racing act. It was expected to be voted on by the House of Representatives some time Monday and would then go to the Senate, which could also vote on the bill Monday. Once the bill is signed by President Trump it will become a reality.

“It’s a great day,” said Congressman Paul Tonko (D-NY), a longtime proponent of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act. “It’s going to save a sport, provide additional jobs and will be so respectful of the equine athletes, the jockeys and others who are involved. It begins and ends there. I am thrilled about it.”

The effort to increase attempts to end doping and to improve safety through legislation has been an on-going process that started at least six years ago and was spearheaded by Tonko (D-NY), whose district includes Saratoga, and Congressman Andy Barr (R-Ky), whose district includes Keeneland. **Cont. p3**

## FETLOCK ARTHRODESIS ADVANCES PROVIDE OPTIONS FOR INJURED HORSES

by Dan Ross

If pressed to pinpoint a single Achilles heel in the racehorse, it's probably a fair bet to assume many would zero in on the fetlock--the intricate joint mechanism that in a racehorse travelling at top speed proves especially vulnerable to system failure. Indeed, **19 of the 22** horses that suffered catastrophic musculoskeletal injuries at Santa Anita during its benighted winter-spring meet nearly two years ago had sesamoid fractures.

In most cases, the prognosis for horses who suffer severe fetlock breakdowns is grim, but a procedure pioneered at the end of the 1970s called the fetlock arthrodesis suddenly provided a viable avenue to save some horses that would otherwise be euthanized. **Cont. p4**

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## Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Act Advances in Congress *(cont. from p1)*

However, the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act appeared to be stalled until Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky) announced his support in a September press conference at Keeneland.

“It’s a great day,” said Arthur Hancock, who, along with his wife Staci, has been fighting for industry reform for nearly 30 years and formed the Water Hays Oats Alliance. “It’s hard to believe. I’m still sort of pinching myself that it is done. Leader McConnell of Kentucky has done a wonderful job and so has Andy Barr and Paul Tonko. Senator McConnell, they threw him the pass and he ran a 75-yard touchdown. I think now the horse business has a future. People will come to, hopefully, trust it again and have confidence in it. We’re going to clean out the drugs and thugs.”

The House passed a stand-alone version of the Act shortly after McConnell voiced his support, but had to vote again because the legislation was now included in a different bill. The language covering the Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Act in the spending bill is virtually identical to the bill passed by the House of Representatives in September.

“The private, independent, self-regulatory, non-profit corporation, to be known as the ‘Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority’ is recognized for purposes of developing and implementing a horseracing anti-doping and medication control program and a racetrack safety program for covered horses, covered persons, and covered horseraces,” it reads.

“I think this will build great layers of integrity into the process, which is an important thing,” Tonko said. “There are many, many choices for sports fans these days. The sports fans are very discerning and if we are to provide a cleaner image, one that’s safer and more respectful of the equine athlete, the jockeys and all the people involved in the sport, I think it will mean a great shot in the arm for the sport.”

The bill calls for a phase-in period, with the bill going into effect July 1, 2022, at which time the “Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Authority” will be in place and responsible for “developing and implementing a horseracing anti-doping end-medication program and a racetrack safety program for covered horses...”

The “Authority” will be governed by a nine-member Board which must be put in place prior to July 1, 2022. The Federal Trade Commission will have oversight of the Authority and the United States Anti-Doping Agency will be brought in to handle drug testing and enforcement.

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The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act had picked up widespread support in the industry. The Jockey Club was the most visible and vocal group when it came to supporting reform measures through legislation, but was joined by the Breeders' Cup, Keeneland, Churchill Downs, the New York Racing Association, Del Mar, The Stronach Group, as well as other influential racing organizations.

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### Fetlock Arthrodesis Advances Provide Options for Injured Horses *(cont. from p1)*

Due to costs and limited range of activities for horses post-surgery, the fetlock arthrodesis—a procedure to stabilize the ankle, preventing joint movement by fusing it into a normal position for the leg—has been traditionally performed on horses with residual paddock value.

Perhaps the widest known fetlock arthrodesis recipient is **Barbaro**, the 2006 GI Kentucky Derby winner who suffered a

complicated series of fractures to and around his right hind fetlock at the start of the 2006 GI Preakness S. In the end, Barbaro succumbed to these injuries, though only after an extended struggle.



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But a program in California that has been underway for about a year has the aim of making the procedure a practical consideration for a wider net of injured horses.

"We have to recognize that there are times when we make decisions based on finances," said Ryan Carpenter, a SoCal-based veterinarian who performs the arthrodesis surgeries at Santa Anita. "So, we're taking the approach that if you remove finances from the equation, what is the best course of action for this horse?"

As a rule of thumb, in the event an owner or trainer cannot afford the cost of surgery and convalescence--roughly \$20,000 in total--expenses are shared between The Stronach Group (TSG), the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) and the horse's owner and/or trainer, said TSG Chief Veterinary Officer Dionne Benson. In some cases, TSG has picked up the entire tab, she said.



*Sarah Andrew*

But the program--also employed at other TSG facilities in California, like Golden Gate Fields--has courted certain concerns. For one, the procedure is intricate and invasive, with the potential for a number of post-surgery complications. That horses who receive it are essentially paddock-bound raises long-term economic considerations.

Some have also suggested the program could be used to skew state fatality statistics, an assertion both Carpenter and Benson strongly deny.

"I would never do anything that I wouldn't do on another horse," said Carpenter, who added that the results of the program thus far are encouraging. Of the eight horses that Carpenter has performed fetlock arthrodesis surgery on over the past year, six have proven successful, he said.

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**What is Fetlock Arthrodesis?...**

There are two primary candidates for fetlock arthrodesis, experts say: horses crippled with degenerative arthritis, and in racehorses, those that suffer a closed biaxial proximal sesamoid fracture (when both sesamoid bones break in the same leg).

The initial portion of the surgery concerns the removal of cartilage between the bones, to make the fusion as tight and stable as possible. "That's the most important part of the procedure that's often not done correctly," warned Carpenter. "You need that bone-on-bone interface so that it can heal properly."

A plate is placed across the front of the fetlock, which holds the whole joint in place. This plate is secured with screws that can be inserted into the fetlock, pastern, cannon bone and, when necessary, the sesamoids.

A "tension band," which is essentially a wire that goes behind the fetlock joint, provides another layer of joint stabilization.

"When the sesamoid bones break, you have nothing that supports it back there, and the fetlock drops," Carpenter said of the need for this mechanism.

Not every horse that suffers a traumatic fetlock fracture is a candidate for the surgery. Compound fractures come with too great a threat of infection, for example.

Existing laminitis in the opposite limb is a serious problem, and "usually enough of a red flag that we would not proceed," wrote Dean Richardson, chief of surgery at The University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine's New Bolton Center, in emailed answers to questions.

Most importantly, there needs to be a good flow of blood to the foot. "When a horse fractures its sesamoid bones and it drops its fetlock, they stretch the blood vessels," said Carpenter, explaining the link between fetlock injuries and curtailed blood flow to the lower limb. "They don't have a tremendous amount of collateral circulation when it comes to the foot, and that's why **tissue perfusion** [the lack of adequate blood supply] is a big issue."

Fetlock arthrodesis--pioneered by acclaimed veterinarian, Larry Bramlage--is long and complicated. In the course of perfecting the procedure, Carpenter reckons that he has shaved about an hour off the time he takes to complete the surgery, with it now taking him roughly two hours.

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Because of the intensive nature of the procedure, coupled with the relative scarcity of viable equine candidates, there's a limited number of surgeons across the country with the necessary skill sets to take the surgery on, experts say.

At the same time, "The procedure has evolved a lot from the way Bramlage first described it," said Carpenter, pointing to the development over the years of locking compression plates, where the screws fix to the plate, making it a very "fixed, stable construct."



Larry Bramlage | Horsephotos

And how successful is the fetlock arthrodesis surgery? In a 2008 article, Bramlage is quoted as saying that, "In the first group of horses we presented, the success rate of the primary treatment approached 70%." For other kinds of injuries, such as degenerative arthritis, "It's as high as 80%," he added.

Likewise, Richardson said that success is inextricably linked to the severity of the original injury.

"Certain types of injuries such as complete disruption of the distal sesamoidean ligaments are much more difficult and the prognosis for success as defined above is probably only 50-60%, whereas fetlock arthrodesis in horses that need the joint fused for problems not related to being an active racehorse results in essentially a 100% success rate," Richardson wrote.

Post-surgery, most horses are reasonably comfortable quickly after the fetlock is stabilized, say experts, though this is still the time when the risk of complication is high. "If you're going to fail, you're going to fail very quickly," said Wayne McIlwraith, founder of the Orthopaedic Research Center at Colorado State University.

Laminitis and local infection are common medical hurdles to overcome in the short term--further down the road, experts warn of potential residual problems with the pastern region. "The fetlock is meant to bend a lot for a reason," said Carpenter. "Now that it can't, you're transitioning the stress to the other joints."



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For the first few months of convalescence, horses are restricted to box rest. After that, a process of light exercise can begin, leading eventually to a point where the horse can be turned loose in the paddock. This can take roughly six months, said Carpenter.

Though the overwhelming majority of horses will only ever be pasture or breeding-sound, Richardson said that a "small percentage" have been ridden at "low level work," like trail riding. That these horses are essentially pasture-bound is not a reflection of pain in the fused joint, Richardson explained--rather, it's due to the practicalities of a high-motion joint being fixed, immobile.

"Fusing it inexorably results in a marked asymmetry of gait that feels terrible when you sit on the horse," Richardson wrote. "It is not painful to the horse, but it looks bad and feels bad to the rider."

Nevertheless, among some in the industry, the procedure carries a stigma. "When we started this, there were a lot of memories from these surgeries in the early days--how challenging they were, and how often they went poorly," admitted Benson.

Several industry figures who spoke on the condition of anonymity also raised concerns about a lack--especially in the early days of the program--of clear guidance to determine which horses receive the surgery, and how the economics is structured.



**Barbaro in recovery pool** | Horsephotos

According to Benson, TSG is in the process of developing standardized protocols to guide its California program. These primarily surround the funding mechanism, she said, but also include avenues to ensure others, like the attending veterinarian, weigh in on each case.

When asked if the CHRB, the state industry's regulatory body, is overseeing the shape of these standards, equine medical director Rick Arthur said that, "I have certainly encouraged them to standardize protocols so all the horsemen understand what's available, and what they're being asked to do, and what they're expected to do."

The American Association of Equine Practitioners' [euthanasia guidelines](#) outline five main points to assist veterinarians in making "humane decisions regarding euthanasia of horses." These points are as follows:



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*A horse should not have to receive continuous analgesic medication for the relief of pain for the rest of its life.*

*A horse should not have to endure a lifetime of continuous individual box stall confinement for prevention or relief of unmanageable pain or suffering.*

The program, Benson said, has provided an opportunity to showcase the surgical advancements that have been made to the procedure over the years. "We've had far more successes, fortunately, than we've had issues," she said, adding that ultimately, "Any decision that's made on the medical side is made in the best interest of the horse."

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Sarah Andrew

### Not Just Committed In The Short Term...

A not-inconsiderable sticking point to these surgeries is money. "I've long considered that if you've bred a horse and race it, or buy a horse and race it, you should be responsible for the welfare of that horse for the rest of its life," said McIlwraith. "Unfortunately, that's an ideal that not everybody holds to."

Which leads to the long-term economic considerations of caring for a pasture-sound horse. California's aftercare program falls under the umbrella of the California Retirement Management Account (CARMA).

According to Madeline Auerbach, who founded the organization and remains on its board of directors, "CARMA's position is that if this is veterinary driven, and the vets have determined that this is within their guidelines to operate on the horse, we support that and we support trying to provide services for the horse."

Has the selection process for horses to receive the surgery thus far been vet driven? "It has been," Auerbach replied. "It's been vet driven in terms of: Is it worth trying or is it cruel and unusual punishment."

Financially, CARMA is not "at this point struggling" to care for the horses, said Auerbach. But in the long-term, "We have to figure out a way that we get compensated for it," she said, floating the idea of a fee or separate fund.

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figure out trying to make sure that we do not deplete the funds. This year has been horrific, obviously, in terms of financial support, because we get most of our money from the purse account."

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When asked if TSG will step in to provide additional funding in the event a horse who has undergone fetlock arthrodesis surgery finds itself in a financially precarious situation in the future, Benson replied: "If there comes a time when a horse in one of these situations, or a horse really in any risky situation, we want to help be part of the solution, not pass it down the road and assume it's somebody else's problem...We're not just committed to the horses who race at our tracks for the short-term."

Carpenter stressed the relatively small number of horses for which the surgery is applicable. "If we have partnership from the industry to help decrease the financial burden to the owner, and we have well-respected lay-up facilities that are willing to take these horses on, maybe we find out that these horses can actually do more than we expected them to do, and we can place them at other places," Carpenter said. "Then, this perceived burden may not be as big as it once was."



### NAME CHANGER TO KAZ HILL FARM

Graded stakes winner **Name Changer** (Uncle Mo--Cash's Girl, by Northern Afleet) will enter stud next year at Peter Kazamias's Kaz Hill Farm in Middletown, New York. A homebred runner for Richard Santulli's Colts Neck Stables, the 7-year-old won the 2018 GIII Monmouth Cup S. He was also third in the 2016 GII West Virginia Derby. On the board in 18 of 24 starts, Name Changer won eight times and earned \$567,080. He will stand for a fee of \$2,500 live foal, stands and nurses, as property of Kaz Hill Farm. A limited number of lifetime breeding rights are also available.



**Name Changer** | Sarah Andrew

"Anyone paying attention to the leading sire lists knows something big is happening when it comes to Uncle Mo," said Kazamias. "Not only does Uncle Mo himself have 14 graded stakes winners in 2020, more than any other stallion in the United States, but his sons Nyquist, Laoban and Outwork rank first, second and fourth on the North American leading first-crop sire list. With a powerful build reminiscent of his sire, and his undeniable racing class, it's easy to imagine Name Changer carrying on that tradition."

Bloodstock agent Michael Slezak, who serves as Kaz Hill's manager of bloodstock, brokered the deal to buy Name Changer.

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### MONTPLAISIR NAMED KEEP EDUCATION COORDINATOR

**Annis Montplaisir** has been named the Kentucky Equine Education Project's first-ever equine education coordinator. Montplaisir will be responsible for building awareness of the equine industry and the industry's educational and employment opportunities by building relationships with 4-H, FFA, and breed youth councils, among other organizations. Additionally, Montplaisir will be responsible for marketing industry programs through social media, special events, and the KEEP Equine Summit Luncheon Series.

The new position is the result of collaboration among the KEEP Foundation, Fasig-Tipton, Glen Hill Farm, Godolphin, The Jockey Club, and Mt. Brilliant Farm.

A native of Fargo, North Dakota, Montplaisir is a recent graduate of the Godolphin Flying Start Program and has worked as the project manager for Together for Racing International, as well as co-hosting a bilingual horse racing show called La Trifecta.

"I am thrilled to begin my role as the equine education coordinator, and to teach people that educational programs and careers in the equine industry are accessible to anyone," Montplaisir said. "Through this position, I hope to promote existing programs, encourage collaboration between initiatives, and facilitate connections that will help newcomers get involved. Ultimately, I believe that education can positively impact the sustainability of the Thoroughbred industry--and the equine industry as a whole."

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- **Janae** (Closing Argument), in foal to Malibu Moon and due in April; residing at Safari North;
- **Miss Always Ready** (More Than Ready), a full-sister to GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf winner More Than Real and carrying a full-sibling to GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf hero Structor (Palace Malice); residing at Three Chimneys, due to foal in April;
- **Miss Chapin** (Royal Academy), the dam of GISW Coffee Clique (Medaglia d’Oro) and in foal to Oscar Performance (Kitten’s Joy), campaigned--like Coffee Clique--by John and Jerry Amerman; residing at Mill Ridge and due mid-March;

- **To the Moon Alice** (Malibu Moon), a half-sister to GSW Unchained Melody (Smart Strike) in foal to Uncle Mo and due to foal in late April at Old Tavern Farm in Saratoga.

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Sire (Sire's Sire)	#SWs	#GSWs
<b>BERNARDINI</b> (A.P. Indy) <i>(Oliviaofthedesert--Trapeze S.)</i>	78	46
<b>CAIRO PRINCE</b> (Pioneerof the Nile) <i>(Jeweled Princess--She's All In S.)</i>	11	4
<b>FED BIZ</b> (Giant's Causeway) <i>(Biz Nipper--Clasico Jorge Amelio)</i>	10	1
<b>LEA</b> (First Samurai) <i>(Dipping In--Useeit S.)</i>	5	1
<b>MINESHAFT</b> (A.P. Indy) <i>(Senor Buscador--Remington Springboard Mile S.)</i>	53	22
<b>SQUARE EDDIE</b> (Smart Strike) <i>(Play Chicken--King Glorious S.)</i>	18	3
<b>UNION RAGS</b> (Dixie Union) <i>(Spielberg--GII Los Alamitos Futurity)</i>	16	9

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Sire	#RS (#GSWs/#SWs)
Into Mischief	6 (2/2)
Speightstown	5 (3/3)
Curlin	4 (1/2)
Munnings	3 (--/2)
Tapit	3 (2/2)
Uncle Mo	3 (1/1)
Frosted	2 (1/1)
Ghostzapper	2 (1/1)
Hard Spun	2
Street Sense	2
Violence	2 (1/1)

## UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Dec. 26	GI American Oaks	Santa Anita
	GI La Brea S.	Santa Anita
	GI Runhappy Malibu S.	Santa Anita
	GII Mathis Brothers Mile	Santa Anita
	GII San Antonio S.	Santa Anita
Dec. 27	GIII Allaire duPont S.	Laurel
	GIII Robert J. Frankel S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 1	GII Joe Hernandez S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 2	GII San Gabriel S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Sham S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 3	GII Santa Ynez S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 9	GIII Tropical Turf S.	Gulfstream
	GIII La Canada S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Las Cienegas S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 16	GIII Lecomte S.	Fair Grounds
	GIII Louisiana S.	Fair Grounds
Jan. 17	GIII Astra S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 18	GIII Megahertz S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 23	GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational	Gulfstream
	GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational	Gulfstream
	GIII Fred W. Hooper S.	Gulfstream
	GII Inside Information S.	Gulfstream
	GIII La Prevoyante S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Marshua's River S.	Gulfstream
	GIII William L. McKnight S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Palos Verdes S.	Santa Anita

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**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 5:30 p.m. EST**

**LA BREA S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, F, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Princess Mo	Uncle Mo	Derby, Susan and Folgner, Gary	Gomez	Franco	120
2	Merneith	American Pharoah	HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud	Baffert	Velazquez	120
3	Himiko	American Pharoah	Grand Farm Family	Baffert	Prat	120
4	Secret Keeper	Into Mischief	Wygod, Pam and Martin	Sise, Jr.	Cedillo	120
5	Finite	Munnings	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, Reiman, Thomas J., Dickson, William and Easter, Deborah A.	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	122
6	Biddy Duke	Bayern	Joseph E. Besecker	O'Neill	Hernandez	122
7	Provocation	Into Mischief	Speedway Stable LLC	Baffert	Rosario	120
8	Motivated Seller	Into Mischief	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Rispoli	120
9	Fair Maiden	Street Boss	Godolphin, LLC	Harty	Gonzalez	120
10	Golden Principal	Constitution	Watson, Karl, Pegram, Michael E. & Weitman, Paul	Baffert	Smith	120
11	Stellar Sound	Tapit	Don Alberto Stable	McCarthy	Espinoza	120

**Breeders:** 1-Barronstown Stud, 2-China Horse Club, 3-Eaton, 4-Pam & Martin Wygod, 5-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Machmer Hall & D + J Racing LLC, 7-Betz/D.J. Stables/CoCo/Burns/Magers, 8-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 9-Godolphin, 10-CESA Farm, 11-Don Alberto Corporation

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:00 p.m. EST**

**AMERICAN OAKS-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, F, 1 1/4mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Red Lark (Ire)	Epaulette (Aus)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Gallagher	Van Dyke	124
2	Miss Addie Pray	Uncle Mo	Gilbert, Julie and Sones, Aaron	Gallagher	Smith	124
3	Capital Structure (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Rosario	124
4	Going to Vegas	Goldencents	Bederian, Harry, Kamberian, Harout, Nakkashian, Hagop and Baltas, Richard	Baltas	Gutierrez	124
5	Luck Money	Lookin At Lucky	Catherine M. Wills	Delacour	Santana, Jr.	124
6	Guitty (Fr)	Dunkerque (Fr)	Benowitz Family Trust, Madaket Stables LLC, Mathiesen, M. and Powell, M.	Powell	Hernandez	124
7	California Kook	Boisterous	Wachtel Stable and Barber, Gary	Miller	Gonzalez	124
8	Duopoly	Animal Kingdom	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	124
9	Sharing	Speightstown	Eclipse Thoroughbred Prtnrs & Gainesway Stable	Motion	Velazquez	124
10	Neige Blanche (Fr)	Anodin (Ire)	Madaket Stables LLC, De Seroux, Laura, Naify, Marsha and Powell, Mathilde	Powell	Rispoli	124

**Breeders:** 1-Mrs S. M. Rogers & Sir Thomas Pilkington, 2-Gabriel Duignan, Crooshaven Bldsk, Petaluma Bldsk & Circular Rd Bdrs, 3-Fortescue Bloodstock, 4-J. Kirk Robison & Judy Robison, 5-Dr. Catherine Wills, 6-Hyperion Sarl, 7-Wachtel Stable & Gary Barber, 8-Jamm LTD., 9-Sagamore Farm, 10-Ecurie du Sud

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:30 p.m. EST****RUNHAPPY MALIBU S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Collusion Illusion 🌿	Twirling Candy	Agnew, Dan J., Orr, Rodney E., Schneider, Jerry and Xitco, John V.	Glatt	Prat	124
2	Thousand Words 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Albaugh Family Stables & Spendthrift Farm	Baffert	Velazquez	122
3	Nashville 🌿	Speightstown	CHC INC. and WinStar Farm LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	120
4	Charlatan 🌿	Speightstown	SF Rcnng, Starlight Rcnng, Madaket Stbls, Fielding J Stonestreet Stbls, Hertrich, III, F Golconda Stables	Baffert	Smith	120
5	Express Train 🌿	Union Rags	C R K Stable LLC	Shirreffs	Hernandez	120
6	Independence Hall 🌿	Constitution	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Twin Creeks Rcnng Stables, Verratti, Kathleen & Verratti, Robert	McCarthy	Rosario	120

**Breeders:** 1-Donald R. Dizney, LLC, 2-Hardacre Farm, 3-Breffni Farm, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-Dixiana Farms LLC, 6-Woodford Thoroughbreds

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 3:30 p.m. EST****MATHIS BROTHERS MILE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Whisper Not (GB)	Poet's Voice (GB)	Dunn, Christopher T. and Peskoff, Jeremy	Baltas	Rosario	120
2	Strongconstitution 🌿	Constitution	Roadrunner Racing and Sayjay Racing LLC	O'Neill	Cedillo	122
3	Storm the Court	Court Vision	Exline-Border Racing, LLC, David A. Bernsen, LLC, Wilson, Susanna, and Hudock, Dan	Eurton	Velazquez	120
4	Heywoods Beach 🌿	Speightstown	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Hernandez	120
5	Smooth Like Strait	Midnight Lute	Cannon Thoroughbreds, LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	124
6	Field Pass	Lemon Drop Kid	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Santana, Jr.	122
7	Scarto 🌿	Paynter	Little Red Feather Racing and Naify, Marsha	Puype	Prat	120

**Breeders:** 1-Cecil and Miss Alison Wiggins, 2-Stonehaven Steadings, 3-Stepping Stone Farm, 4-SF Bloodstock LLC, 5-Cannon Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Mark Brown Grier, 7-Halleywood Farm LLC

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 5:00 p.m. EST****SAN ANTONIO S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Take the One O One	Acclamation	Jay Em Ess Stable	Koriner	Valdivia, Jr.	121
2	Kiss Today Goodbye 🌿	Cairo Prince	John Sondereker	Kruljac	Smith	119
3	Extra Hope	Shanghai Bobby	Jay Em Ess Stable	Mandella	Hernandez	123
4	Sharp Samurai 🌿	First Samurai	Red Baron's Barn, Rancho Temescal & Glatt, Mark	Glatt	Prat	121
5	Combatant 🌿	Scat Daddy	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Santana, Jr.	123
6	Midcourt 🌿	Midnight Lute	C R K Stable LLC	Shirreffs	Espinoza	123
7	Idol 🌿	Curlin	Calvin Nguyen	Baltas	Saez	119
8	Mucho Gusto 🌿	Mucho Macho Man	HRH Prince Faisal Bin Khaled	Baffert	Velazquez	123

**Breeders:** 1-Thomas W. Bachman, 2-Debmar Stables, 3-Samantha Siegel, 4-Cudney Stables, 5-Paget Bloodstock, 6-Dixiana Farms LLC, 7-My Meadowview LLC, 8-Teneri Farm Inc. &Bernardo Alvarez Calderon

**Saturday, Laurel, post time: 3:53 p.m. EST**

**ALLAIRE DUPONT S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Alittlestalk	Demon Warlock	Warlock Stables, Roddina A. Barrett & Kelly Dougan	Barrett	Cedeno	121
2	Another Broad 	Include	Farfellow Farm, Ltd.	Asmussen	Rosado	123
3	Landing Zone 	Morning Line	BB Horses	Gonzalez	Cruz	120
4	Eres Tu	Malibu Moon	Seltzer, Edward A. and Anderson, Beverly S.	Delacour	McCarthy	123
5	Ice Princess	Palace Malice	Flying P Stable, R. A. Hill Stable and Gargan, Danny	Gargan	Carrasco	120
6	Wicked Awesome 	Awesome Again	Warwick Stable	Allen, III	Karamanos	123
7	Needs Supervision 	Paynter	Howling Pigeon Farms, LLC, Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable and Madaket Stables LLC	O'Dwyer	Russell	125

**Breeders:** 1-Warlock Stables, A. Floyd, K. Dougan, M.Hudson & Horseplayer's Racing Club, 2-Fitzhugh, LLC, 3-Bell Tower Thoroughbreds, 4-Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly Anderson, 5-Mina Equivest, LLC, 6-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds, LLC, 7-Mike Abraham



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**Mean Season** (Henny Hughes), Whispering Oaks Farm, \$2,000  
5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, CHINESE BANDIT, 8-1  
3-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, MEAN CANNON, 3-1

**Peace and Justice** (War Front), Northview PA, \$3,500  
23 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner  
1-Parx Racing, Msw 7f, LOUIE'S LAW, 10-1

**Uncle Lino** (Uncle Mo), Northview PA, \$4,000  
61 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners  
1-Penn National, Msw 6f, JEWEL'S INDIAN GIRL, 15-1  
\$2,800 RNA EAS OCT yrl  
1-Penn National, Msw 6f, LIFE MASTER CATHY, 8-5  
1-Parx Racing, Msw 7f, MARVALOUS MIKE, 3-1

## SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22 2020 Stud Fees Listed

**Hangover Kid** (Lemon Drop Kid), Murmur Farm, \$2,500  
10 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner  
1-Penn National, Msw 6f, ACT OF COURAGE, 15-1



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## IN JAPAN:

**Black Lotus**, c, 2, **American Pharoah**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan.'

**Lady Mercy**, c, 2, **American Pharoah**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan.'

**Lincoln Tesoro**, c, 2, **Carpe Diem**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan.'

**France Go de Ina**, c, 2, **Will Take Charge**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan.'

**Pompeii Worm**, c, 4, **Itsmyluckyday**-- Briecat (MGSW & GISP, \$683,263), by Adcat. Hanshin, 12-19, Alw. (\$139k), 1400m, 1:24.3. Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-3, \$265,146. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Sei Ishizaka. \*\$525,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR.

**San Jose Tesoro**, c, 4, **The Factor**--Cabaret Starlet, by Tale of the Cat. Nakayama, 12-20, Alw. (\$339k), 1200mT, 1:09.5. Lifetime Record: 15-4-0-1, \$568,738. O-Kenji Ryotokuji Holdings; B-Sheltowee Farm, WMK Racing LLC, Patricia Pavlish, Joe Miller, et al (KY); T-Hiroyasu Tanaka. \*\$30,000 Ylg '17 KEEJAN; \$100,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

## IN SOUTH KOREA:

**Jangsan Clear**, g, 2, **Orb**--Clear Pond (GSP), by Dynaformer. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1200m. B-G Watts Humphrey Jr, Susan Keller, Vicki Oliver & G Watts Humphrey III (KY). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*1/2 to Clear the Mine (Mineshaft), SP, \$375,526. \*\*\*\$30,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

**Ace Killer**, c, 2, **Race Day**--Windy Prairie, by Tale of the Cat. Busan, 12-20, Hcp., 1200m. B-Bella Bloodstock LLC (KY). \*\$6,500 Ylg '19 FTKOCT.

**Iron Socks**, c, 3, **Mineshaft**--Centurian Lady, by Cat Thief. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1800m. B-V Gail Ray (KY). \*\$65,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$42,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$37,000 2yo '19 FTMMAY.



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**Clean Up Bella**, c, 3, **Oxbow**--Bella Cardona (SW), by Bertrando. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1400m. B-Le Jardin (KY). \*\$14,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$20,000 Ylg '18 OBSOCT; \$50,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR.

**Royal Elvis**, g, 3, **Uncle Mo**--Malibu Legacy (SP), by Malibu Moon. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1400m. B-Edward A Cox Jr (KY). \*\$32,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

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**Gallop Curlin**, g, 4, **Curlin**--Colona, by Pulpit. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1400m. B-WinStar Farm LLC & MR Capital LLC (KY). \*\$25,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.



**Doraonpogyongseon**, h, 7, **Kantharos**--Smartybegone, by Smarty Jones. Busan, 12-20, Hcp., 1400m. B-GoldMark Farm LLC (FL). \*2x Ch. Sprinter, Ch. Miler & SW-Kor. \*\*1/2 to Oldfashioned Style (Old Fashioned), GSP, \$149,682. \*\*\*\$14,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$50,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.



**IN PANAMA:**

**Biz Nipper**, f, 2, **Fed Biz**--Catnipper, by Kitten's Joy. Presidente Remon, 12-20, Clasico Jorge Amelio, 1400m. B-Copper Penny Stables (KY). \*1ST STAKES WIN. \*\*\$3,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT.

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**IN ITALY:**

**Danse de Guerre**, f, 4, **Declaration of War**--Stormy Tak, by Stormy Atlantic. Siracuse, 12-19, Hcp. (E5.5k), 2300mT. O-Scuderia Jerome di En. Gi. SAS. B-Pauleeanna Thoroughbreds (FL). T-Stefano Postiglione. \*\$25,000 Ylg '17 FTKFEB; \$2,200 Ylg '17 OBSOCT.



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**Sunday's Results:**

**6th-Nakayama**, ¥13,400,000 (\$129,234), **Newcomers**, 2yo, 1800m, 1:58.2, ft.

**BLACK LOTUS** (c, 2, **American Pharoah**--Arravale {Horse of the Year, Ch. Grass Mare & GISW-Can, GISW-US, \$1,129,697}, by Arch) contributed to a phenomenal stretch all around the world for American Pharoah while becoming his 11th winner from 14 starters in Japan and 23rd juvenile winner of 2020. The 4-5 chalk missed the break by a length or two and was consigned to a wide run around the first right-handed turn. Asked for some

acceleration with a half-mile to race, the \$200,000 Keeneland September yearling loomed a threat three deep at the quarter pole, clawed his way to the front inside the final 150 meters and held on gamely to graduate by a length. Arravale was purchased by John Moores and Charles Noell's Merribelle Stable for \$490K in foal to Animal Kingdom at KEENOV in 2016, having already produced Nancy O (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), GSP-Can. Black Lotus is Arravale's last listed produce. American Pharoah was also represented in the last several days by Lady Mercy, who broke her maiden Saturday at Chukyo (see below); GSP Royal Act, an allowance winner Sunday at Los Alamitos; Kentucky Pharoah, who graduated Saturday in Hallandale; and Beating All, victorious over the Kempton all-weather on debut for Sir Michael Stoute Dec. 16. American Pharoah's son Vincent Van Gogh was the Cartier Champion 2YO colt for 2020. Sales history: \$200,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$67,961. O-Red Magic Inc.; B-Merriebelle Stable LLC (KY); T-Takashi Kanari.

**Saturday's Results:**

**7th-Hanshin**, ¥13,830,000 (\$133,834), **Allowance**, 2yo, 1800m, 1:53.6, ft.

**FRANCE GO DE INA** (c, 2, **Will Take Charge**--Dreamy Blues, by Curlin) was looking to make it two straight, having carried Yuichi Fukunaga to a four-length success over this course and distance Nov. 28. The \$100,000 KEESEP acquisition was content to stalk the pace from second this time around, turned up the heat approaching the stretch and powered home late to score by five solid lengths as the even-money selection. France Go de Ina, who is out of a half-sister to GSW Shawklit Mint (Air Forbes Won), is by the same sire as Herrschaft, who won the Fukuryu S. (allowance), the fourth leg of the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby, last March. Dreamy Blues was most recently bred to Goldcents. Sales history: \$100,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$131,068.

O-Yuji Inaida; B-Betz Kidder B & K Canetti & Jim Betz (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori.

**1st-Chukyo**, ¥9,680,000 (\$93,383), **Maiden**, 2yo, 1800m, 1:54.7, ft.

**LADY MERCY** (f, 2, **American Pharoah**--Two Oceans, by Cape Town) was well-bet for her first two runs, finishing sixth on her 1200-meter debut at this track Sept. 21 and a distant third trying this trip for the first time at Kyoto Oct. 17. One of the first to break the line, the 17-1 shot ceded the early advantage and settled just off the leaders flank. Traveling nicely in hand through the middle stages, the homebred edged in front approaching the quarter pole and kicked clear in the final furlong to best fellow U.S.-bred Voix d'Ange (Curlin) by five lengths.

From the family of Japanese champions Narita Brian (Jpn) (Brian's Time) and Biwa Hayahide (Jpn) (Sharrood), Lady Mercy has a yearling full-sister, now domiciled in Ireland, and her dam was most recently covered by Mendelssohn. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$62,136.

O/B-Toshihiro Matsumoto (KY); T-Yoshihito Kitade.

**1st-Nakayama, ¥9,680,000 (\$93,383), Maiden, 2yo, 1200m, 1:12.5, ft.**

**LINCOLN TESORO (c, 2, Carpe Diem--Santa Vindi, by Vindication)**, no factor in his first two trips to the races, was away slowly this time, but was roused along to take up the running after about a furlong. The half-brother to Flexibility (Bluegrass Cat), GSW, \$288,500, galloped along comfortably, kicked farther in front off the final quarter and reported home a 2 1/2-length winner. The \$75,000 KEESEP yearling is out of a daughter of MGSW Santa Catalina (Cure the Blues), the dam of GISW Golden Missile (A.P. Indy), and has a yearling half-brother by Distorted Humor. Santa Vindi was bred to Munnings and Omaha Beach this past season. Sales history: \$75,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$49,515.

O-Kenji Ryotokuji Holdings; B-Stonehaven Steadings (KY); T-Shizuya Kato.



#### IN JAPAN:

**Meisho Hyuma (Jpn)**, c, 2, **Distorted Humor**--Love and Faith, by Corinthian. Hanshin, 12-19, Maiden (\$93k), 1200m, 1:13.4. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$86,408. O-Yoshio Matsumoto; B-Mishima Bokujo; T-Kenichi Fujioka. \*\$270,000 in utero '17 KEENOV.

**Fulleren (Jpn)**, f, 3, **Pioneerof the Nile**--Dust and Diamonds (GSW & GISP, \$496,260), by Vindication. Chukyo, 12-19, Alw. (\$139k), 1800m, 1:54.8. Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$167,087. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Kazuya Makita. \*Won by seven lengths. \*\*Full to Much Better, MGSP, \$208,981. \*\*\*\$1,000,000 in utero '16 KEENOV.

#### IN SOUTH KOREA:

**Hi Hi (Kor)**, c, 2, **Tourist**--Lily Olay, by Successful Appeal. Seoul, 12-19, Hcp., 1200m. B-Go Yangjin. \*14th winner for freshman sire (by Tiznow). \*\*\$30,000 in utero '17 KEENOV.



#### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**5th-Remington, \$38,250, (S), 12-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.68, ft, 1/2 length.**

**EUTYCHIA (f, 4, Itsmyluckyday--Serene Serena, by Beau Genius)**

Lifetime Record: 31-4-4-7, \$109,495. O/T-Steven M. Asmussen; B-Robert Lewis & Rosalie Smith (OK).

**9th-Remington, \$35,775, 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.69, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.**

**EUROMANTIC (g, 3, Euroears--Saka, by Air Commander)**

Lifetime Record: 13-3-5-2, \$121,876. O-Bar VH Ranch; B-Theresa Hanson (OK); T-Victor Hanson.

**7th-Delta Downs, \$32,400, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 12-21, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.32, ft, 3/4 length.**

**VICE VERSA (g, 4, Speightstown--Deja Vu, by Giant's Causeway)**

Lifetime Record: 13-5-2-1, \$143,438. O-Lana Wiest, Jason Ryan & Randy Marriott; B-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro. \*1/2 to Crystal Ball (Malibu Moon), GISP, \$126,000; and Escapade (More Than Ready), MSP, \$180,516.

**3rd-Mahoning Valley, \$29,000, (S), 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:15.78, sy, 1 1/4 lengths.**

**MOBIL SONG (f, 3, Mobil--Lite Medley, by Lite the Fuse)**

Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$66,235. O/T-Shane Meyers; B-Steve Palinkas (OH).

**5th-Zia, \$26,000, (S), 12-21, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.50, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.**

**DAUX (g, 4, Abstraction--Thibodaux {MSP}, by Early Flyer)**

Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-4, \$71,580. O-James Sours & Teresa K. Marr; B-Michael C. Stinson (NM); T-Joel H. Marr. \*Full to Evacuee, SP, \$175,269.

**2nd-Mahoning Valley, \$21,200, 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13.21, sy, nose.**

**KHALFANI (g, 4, Blame--Frio Town, by Kerosene)** Lifetime

Record: 10-4-0-4, \$36,052. O-Irish Charm Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Bryant H. Prentice (KY); T-Gary L. Johnson. \*\$20,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. \*\*1/2 to Beau's Town (Beau Genius), MGSW, \$697,850.



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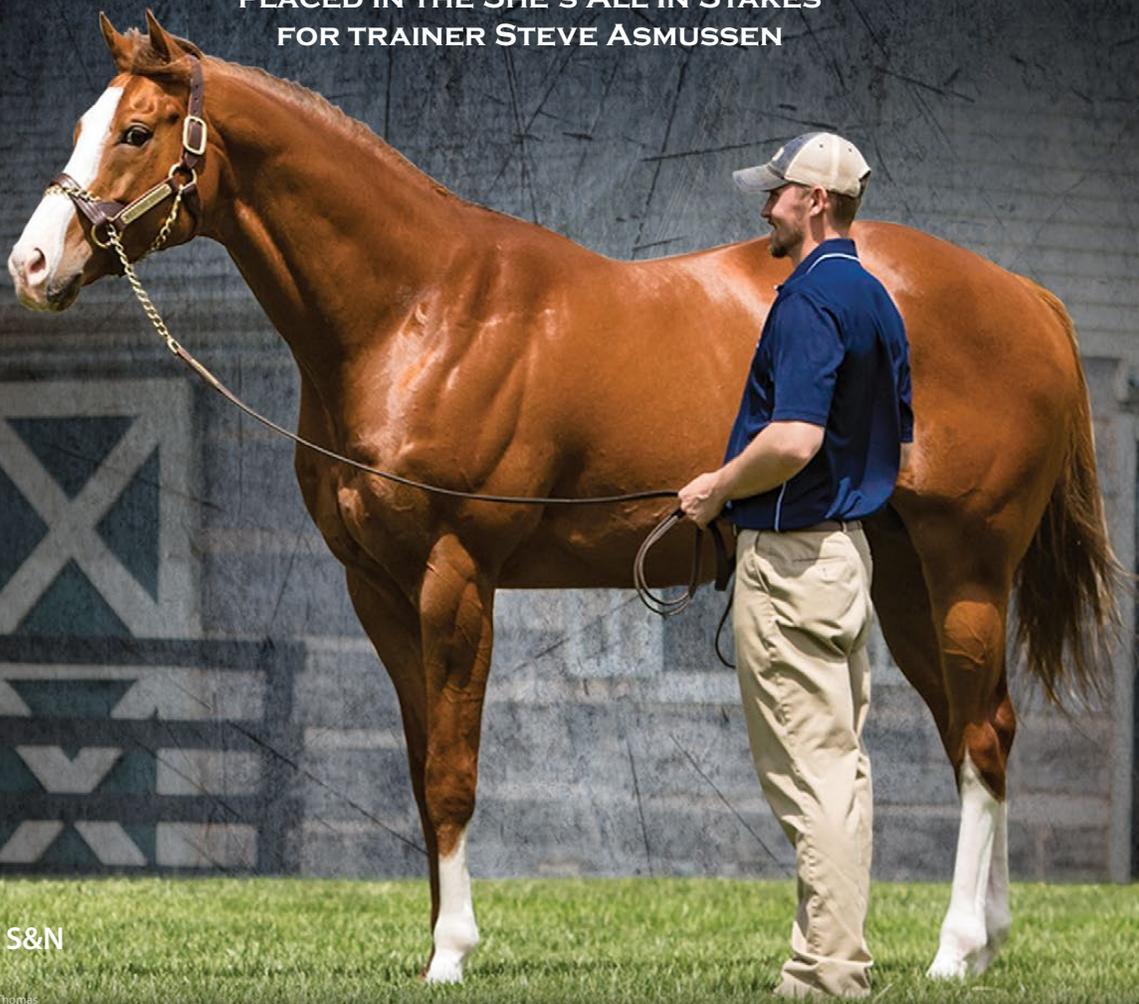
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**Clearly Sailing**, f, 2, **Custom for Carlos**--Clear Sailing (SW, \$128,940), by Empire Maker. Delta Downs, 12-21, (S), 5f, 1:00.50. B-Coteau Grove Farms (LA). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Timeless Bounty**, c, 2, **Elusive Hour**--Nava, by Even the Score. Mahoning Valley, 12-21, 6f. B-Elkhorn Oaks Inc. (MI).

**Spirit of Spootie**, c, 2, **Euroears**--Abigail Lane, by Liquor Cabinet (Ire). Remington, 12-20, (S), 1m, 1:41.13. B-DSH Stables, LLC (OK).

**Samborita**, f, 2, **Overanalyze**--Sambora, by Holy Bull. Remington, 12-20, 5 1/2f, 1:06.38. B-Mike Hughes (TX). \*\$3,500 Ylg '19 TTAMIX.

**Dixiefied**, f, 2, **Read the Footnotes**--Tickleyourfancy (SW, \$184,429), by Forest Camp. Remington, 12-20, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.76. B-Eureka Thoroughbred Farm (OK).

**Love My Ride**, g, 3, **Best Act**--Sugar Pie, by Candy Ride (Arg). Remington, 12-20, (S), 6f, 1:11.45. B-Bryan Hawk (OK). \*\$6,000 Ylg '18 OKCYRL.

**Do You Bileve**, f, 3, **Mr. Nightlinger**--Summer Event, by Event of the Year. Remington, 12-20, (S), 1m, 1:40.66. B-Patrick Swan & Rose Smith (OK).

**Bodie'slittlegirl**, f, 4, **Bodemeister**--Tap Twenty One, by Tapit. Zia, 12-21, 6f, 1:09.14. B-TK Stables LLC (KY). \*\$10,000 2yo '18 KEENOV.

**MOBIL**, Mobil Song, f, 3, o/o Lite Medley, by Lite the Fuse. ALW, 12-21, Mahoning Valley

**MR. NIGHTLINGER**, Do You Bileve, f, 3, o/o Summer Event, by Event of the Year. MSW, 12-20, Remington

**OVERANALYZE**, Samborita, f, 2, o/o Sambora, by Holy Bull. MSW, 12-20, Remington

**READ THE FOOTNOTES**, Dixiefied, f, 2, o/o Tickleyourfancy, by Forest Camp. MSW, 12-20, Remington

**SPEIGHTSTOWN**, Vice Versa, g, 4, o/o Deja Vu, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 12-21, Delta Downs



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**ABSTRACTION**, Daux, g, 4, o/o Thibodaux, by Early Flyer. ALW, 12-21, Zia

**BEST ACT**, Love My Ride, g, 3, o/o Sugar Pie, by Candy Ride (Arg). MSW, 12-20, Remington

**BLAME**, Khalfani, g, 4, o/o Frio Town, by Kerosene. ALW, 12-21, Mahoning Valley

**BODEMEISTER**, Bodie'slittlegirl, f, 4, o/o Tap Twenty One, by Tapit. MSW, 12-21, Zia

**CUSTOM FOR CARLOS**, Clearly Sailing, f, 2, o/o Clear Sailing, by Empire Maker. MSW, 12-21, Delta Downs

**ELUSIVE HOUR**, Timeless Bounty, c, 2, o/o Nava, by Even the Score. MSW, 12-21, Mahoning Valley

**EUROEARS**, Euromantic, g, 3, o/o Saka, by Air Commander. ALW, 12-21, Remington

**EUROEARS**, Spirit of Spootie, c, 2, o/o Abigail Lane, by Liquor Cabinet (Ire). MSW, 12-20, Remington

**ITSMYLUCKYDAY**, Eutychia, f, 4, o/o Serene Serena, by Beau Genius. ALW, 12-20, Remington



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## SOLID MARE TRADE AT GOFFS



Zain Art was knocked down for €390,000 on Monday | Goffs

By Daithí Harvey

KILDARE, Ireland--The final instalment of the rescheduled Goffs November Sale was devoted to breeding stock and again some high end withdrawals robbed the sale of some potential headline makers. Despite this, trade for mares that were deemed commercially desirable was strong with no shortage of suitors for the right types and it was the proven producer **Zain Art (Ire)** (Excellent Art {GB}) who held sway when selling for €390,000 to Timmy Hyde's Camas Park Stud.

One feature from Monday's sale was the healthy 87% clearance rate and this coupled with 11 six figure lots saw the aggregate reach €5,479,600. The sale posted an average of €31,674 and a median price of €14,000.

Taking stock of both this week's sale and indeed a turbulent sales year, Goffs CEO Henry Beeby said, "2020 has truly been a year like no other and for all the wrong reasons. Indeed, more than anything our overwhelming feeling is one of relief that we have managed to get to the year-end having held our sales, albeit with several on revised dates and, of course, some in different locations. Whilst we recognise that we are better off than so many it has seemed that Irish sales have had to deal with some issues and barriers to trade that others have not had to face. However, with the help of many people and entities we made it." [Cont. p2](#)

## LONGINES WRA CEREMONY TO BE VIRTUAL

The 2020 Longines World Racing Awards ceremony will be held in a virtual format on Jan. 26 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Organised by Longines and the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities (IFHA), the event will celebrate the Longines World's Best Racehorse, the Longines World's Best Horse Race and the Longines World's Best Jockey of the 2020 season. The ceremony will be released on multiple digital platforms including the social media accounts of Longines and the IFHA.

The Longines WBRR are established by international handicappers according to the performance of the horses in the top races and the highest rated race is determined by averaging the rankings of the first four placed horses. [Cont. p7](#)

## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### HORSE RACING INTEGRITY AND SAFETY ACT ADVANCES IN CONGRESS

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act has been included as a provision in the COVID-19 relief bill that was expected to pass Monday in Congress. Bill Finley has the story. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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**Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale Cont. from p1**

Beeby added, "Our Foal Sale ended up with a smaller than usual catalogue as understandably some vendors made other plans as, at the time of entry, there was so much uncertainty. Then we were hit with more withdrawals than would normally be the case when the sale had to be delayed. Make no mistake we absolutely respect the decisions people have had to make this year but it meant a contraction in the results we have been able to return especially as several of the absentees had huge sales potential.

"That said trade was remarkably strong for those [foals] that caught the eye culminating in an especially vibrant final day that saw a trio of Frankels sharing top billing at €440,000 when selling to buyers from UK, Japan and Ireland. Not surprisingly last year's record breaking results were out of reach but it is worth remembering that the 2019 sale outperformed the market and grew by 25% so we have really gone back to 2018 which is not a bad result given the times we

are in. In fact the average price is 9% ahead of two years ago and the median static."

He continued, "Our Breeding Stock catalogue was also much reduced and, again, the reasons are clear. In fact you could ask why anyone would want to be selling a broodmare this year in Christmas week so we have been heartened by the level of interest from what has proved a global audience with the help of Goffs Online. Again last year was particularly good growing by 28% so perspective is needed when analysing the figures which makes the average and median being within 5% especially pleasing.

"So we bid farewell to 2020, a year that no one will look back on too fondly. However there have been some notable moments at Goffs sales on both sides of the Irish Sea, most especially at our NH sales. Within five weeks we recorded two record breaking Point-To-Point prices at hastily arranged sales at Yorton Farm in Wales and sold the legendary Apple's Jade for an amazing €530,000 in between." **Cont. p3**

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**Goffs Group Chief Executive Henry Beeby at the end of the Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale**



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## **Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale Cont.**

He added, "Our Land Rover Sale was the first sale in Ireland since the outbreak of Covid, returning better than expected results and set the standard for store sales for the second year in succession. We also launched Goffs Online which has proved a huge asset at traditional sales as well as allowing us to continue to trade during lockdown with two successful purely online live auctions as well as a timed sale of a notable horse in training.

"These are the successes but I confess that our yearling sales proved a massive disappointment, most particularly our flagship Orby Sale which we had to move to the UK this year. I would be deluded if I tried to suggest that it was anything other than very challenging and recognise that we did not perform.

"We were faced with some difficult choices in the midst of the pandemic and got some of them right but undoubtedly made some mistakes. However we cannot change the past but can only state to all our vendors that we will redouble our efforts in 2021 when we all hope and pray that Covid-19, and its massive disruptions, prove to be in the past.

"In closing I want to thank everyone for their understanding and forbearance throughout this terrible time," added Beeby. "Every vendor has taken a leap of faith with each entry whilst all our purchasers are more valued than ever. I especially want to thank HRI and ITM as they have been so supportive and helpful with endless advice and assistance as we navigated our way through what was allowed and, as importantly, responsible. We have also worked closely with Edmond Mahony and his teams at Tattersalls in UK and Ireland as well as Eric Hoyer and all at Arqana to ensure we lessened the impact of the inevitable disruptions to the sale calendar.

"On this occasion, I also want to pay particular tribute to the entire Goffs team as every one of them, in every department, has offered nothing but support, encouragement and help throughout the year without a hint of complaint as circumstances beyond anyone's control conspired to make life far from straightforward.

"Indeed this is an amazing industry and I close by saluting every participant for showing an enduring resilience in the face of something that only seemed to get worse. Let's hope next year sees an end to Covid related problems and a return to what we know. For now we send our best wishes for a safe Christmas that is as merry as possible for everyone."

Monday's session topper, **lot 892**, came to prominence earlier this summer when her 2-year-old daughter Aloha Star (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) won the G2 Balanchine S. at The Curragh and she proved that was no fluke when running third next time in the G1 Phoenix S. The Fozzy Stack-trained filly was bought soon after that by LNJ Foxwoods and it would be no surprise to see her emerge as a leading G1 Commonwealth Cup contender next year. **Cont. p4**

## **IN TDN AUS/NZ TODAY**

### **CHC'S REVOLUTION REACHES MILESTONE**

TDN AusNZ caught up with China Horse Club's Founder and Chairman Teo Ah Khing. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)



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## GOFFS NOVEMBER FOAL & BREEDING STOCK SALE

### Top 10 Purchaser by Aggregate

Purchaser	Aggregate	Lots	Average
Tally Ho	€956,500	18	€53,139
BBA Ireland	€853,000	21	€40,619
Yeomanstown Stud	€805,000	9	€89,444
Camas Park Stud	€775,000	5	€155,000
Lynn Lodge Stud	€636,000	12	€53,000
JC Bloodstock	€603,500	6	€100,583
Margaret O'Toole	€463,000	4	€115,750
Juddmonte Farms	€440,000	1	€440,000
Blackstar Bloodstock	€440,000	1	€440,000
Paca Paca Farm	€440,000	1	€440,000

### Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale Cont.

Zain Art was consigned by Ciara Eglinton's Collegelands Stud on behalf of Cornagher House and is in foal to Highclere stallion Land Force (Ire).

The Aga Khan-bred **Sindiyma (Ire)** (Kalanisi {Ire}) was a €20,000 purchase in this ring seven years ago by Tony Ashley but having bred the likes of Sikandarabad (Ire) (Dr Fong) and Marie's Diamond (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) in the interim, the now 13-year-old mare was a very different commodity when returned to Goffs on Monday as **lot 922**.

Carrying an own sibling to G3 Anglesey S. winner Marie's Diamond and offered by Airlie Stud, the mare will now swap Kildare for Kilkenny after Ballylinch Stud's John O'Connor successfully bid €315,000 for her.

"She is a lovely proven mare with a high class pedigree," O'Connor said afterwards. "She will come back to Ballylinch, we'll foal her down and the plan is to cover her with Lope De Vega. I love the fact she was able to breed two stakes winners and one from a Giant's Causeway-line stallion. Hopefully if we breed a few fillies out of her we can start to establish our own successful branch of the family."

There were some real gems among the Godolphin draft and the second batch that went through the ring on Monday afternoon produced some excellent sales. Chief among these was **lot 911, Varamini (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}), offered with an Invincible Spirit (Ire) cover. The 4-year-old, who is a full-sister to G2 Prix Sandringham winner Volta (Fr), was bought by Margaret O'Toole for €280,000.

"She is a very good looking mare and she is in foal to a good stallion," said O'Toole. "It is a current family with plenty going on and she will be staying in Ireland."

Shortly before this, Airlie Stud went to €160,000 to secure **lot 907, Bitter Lake** (Halling). The winning half-sister to G1 Fillies' Mile winner Lyric Of Light (GB) (Street Cry) is in foal to Blue Point (Ire) and has young fillies by Shamardal and Exceed And Excel (Aus) on the ground.

Another significant transaction saw the 16-year-old mare **Criticism (GB)** (Machiavellian) go the way of the Cantillon's Tinnakill Bloodstock for €120,000. **Lot 900**, who was a five time graded stakes winner in America, has already produced the stakes winner Magical Touch (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and was sold in foal to Night Of Thunder (Ire).

The first Godolphin draft wasn't short of quality either and the first to break six figures was **lot 814, Haughtily (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The half-sister to G1 Coronation S. winner Lillie Langtry (Ire) (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}) was unraced, and has yet to breed a winner from two horses of racing age. However such is the depth of her pedigree that it took a bid of €105,000 from Hubie De Burgh to secure the close relative to the brilliant multiple champion Minding (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). The 9-year-old is carrying a Ribchester (Ire) foal and is due in the middle of March. [Cont. p5](#)



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## GOFFS NOVEMBER FOAL & BREEDING STOCK SALE DAY 4

SESSION TOTALS	2020	2019
• Catalogued	272	368
• Number Offered	199	295
• Number Sold	174	242
• Not Sold	25	53
• Clearance Rate	87%	82%
• High Price	€390,000	€525,000
• Gross	€5,490,600	€8,022,900
• Average (% change)	€31,555 (-4.8%)	€33,152
• Median (% change)	€13,500 (-3.6%)	€14,000
CUMULATIVE	2020	2019
• Catalogued	1033	1343
• Number Offered	836	1097
• Number Sold	656	873
• Not Sold	180	224
• Clearance Rate	78%	80%
• High Price	€440,000	€1,200,000
• Gross	€23,069,200	€34,452,200
• Average (% change)	€35,166 (-11%)	€39,464
• Median (% change)	€18,000 (-10%)	€20,000



Lot 907, Bitter Lake | Goffs

**Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale Cont.**

Shortly after this **lot 819**, the 6-year-old winning mare **Light Spirit (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}) was purchased by Old Carhue Stud for €70,000. Carrying to Exceed And Excel (Aus), the daughter of G1 Fillies' Mile winner Lyric Of Light (GB) (Street Cry) has a yearling filly by Exceed And Excel and a Shamardal filly foal working for her.

Hubie De Burgh teamed up with Norelands Stud not long after to purchase **lot 844, L'Age D'Or (GB)**, (Iffraaj {GB}) for €90,000. The half-sister to two stakes winners is in foal to Lanwades Stud stallion Sea The Moon (Ger) who will stand at his highest fee so far in 2021.

Similarly the Aga Khan draft is a fertile source of success, last year's €110,000 purchase Sonaiyla (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) increased eightfold in value when sold earlier this month and **lot 934**, a filly by the same sire, was the top priced lot this year from the draft when selling to Ballygallon Stud for €150,000. The 3-year-old **Eshtiya (Ire)** won a Dundalk maiden in August for Dermot Weld and is a half-sister to the promising Weld trained 2-year-old Erzindjan (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}).

Meanwhile, **lot 862, Opal Heart (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), held the distinction of being the only mare offered for sale in the world this year in foal to Sea The Stars (Ire). The Jockey Hall Stud-consigned 3-year-old daughter of G2 Prix du Royallieu winner Sea Of Heartbreak (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) cost the BBA's Michael Donohoe €110,000, which isn't bad value given the stallion enters 2021 with an advertised fee of €150,000.

The Grassicks of Newtown Stud enjoyed a rewarding sale with **lot 846, Always Gold (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}), when the 5-year-old was knocked down to Rabbah Bloodstock for €105,000. The mare was picked out by Cathy Grassick at Arqana two years ago for €22,000 but a plan to put her back into training had to be aborted when she picked up an injury. Sent to Juddmonte to be covered by Bated Breath (GB), the Grassicks

were then fortunate that the mare's half-brother Chachnak (Fr) (Kingman {GB}) made his mark in two Group 3 contests in the meantime.

"We're delighted but a bit sad to see her go," Newtown's Sally-Anne Grassick said. "There are four of us involved in her and we've always loved her but it was a good price and credit to Cathy for buying her originally."

Deflecting most of the praise back onto the mare herself Cathy Grassick chipped in, "She is a gorgeous mare and I'm delighted Rabbah have bought her as she will be well mated. I've always been a big fan of Bated Breath and I thought it was a cross that would suit the mare. As Sally said, we're sad to see her go as she is such a queen but I look forward to following the progress of her progeny."

Rabbah later added **lot 949** to their broodmare band when paying €160,000 for **Second Glance (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), a 3-year-old in foal to Calyx (GB) from The Castlebridge Consignment.

The first mare to make a decent ripple was **lot 796** from Grenane House Stud. The 4-year-old **Tracing (Ire)**, a daughter of Galileo (Ire) and the stakes winner and Classic placed Ishvana (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), landed a Dundalk maiden for Aidan O'Brien on her final run and was knocked down to Kevin Blake for €85,000. The mare was sold in foal to Ten Sovereigns (Ire) and is also a full-sister to the promising Never Forgotten (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) who was the impressive winner of a Gowran maiden for Joseph O'Brien in July but did not run subsequently.

Blake is building up a strong band of mares and said, "It's hard enough to get your hands on a young Galileo mare like this, so I'm delighted. She is carrying a colt as well which is a plus and the full-sister Never Forgotten is back in training after a small setback, so hopefully she can give the pedigree a boost next season as she looks quite smart."

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**GOFFS NOVEMBER FOAL & BREEDING STOCK SALE**  
**Top 10 Vendors by Aggregate**

Vendors	Aggregate	Lots	Average
The Castlebridge Consignment	€2,178,200	49	€44,453
Godolphin	€1,501,000	34	€44,147
Swordlestown Little	€1,034,000	6	€172,333
Ballylinch Stud	€849,500	23	€36,935
Baroda Stud	€738,000	20	€36,900
HH Aga Khan Studs S.C.	€676,000	17	€39,765
Irish National Stud	€629,500	16	€39,344
Tinnakill House	€576,500	14	€41,179
Collegelands Stud	€530,500	9	€58,944
Airlie Stud	€501,000	4	€125,250

# SESSION TOPPERS

## GOFFS NOVEMBER FOAL & BREEDING STOCK SALE: MARE TOPPERS

Lot	Name	Status	Price (€)
892	Zain Art (Ire)	i/f to Land Force (Ire)	390,000
	<i>(m, 8, Excellent Art {GB}–Zigarra {GB}, by Halling)</i>		
	<i>Bred by Kildaragh Stud(Ire)</i>		
	<i>Consigned by Collegelands Stud</i>		
	<i>Purchased by Camas Park Stud</i>		
922	Sindiyma (Ire)	i/f to Footstepsinthesand (GB)	315,000
	<i>(m, 13, Kalanisi {Ire}–Sinndiya {Ire}, by Pharly {Fr})</i>		
	<i>Bred by His Highness the Aga Khan’s Studs S.C. (Ire)</i>		
	<i>Consigned by Airlie Stud</i>		
	<i>Purchased by Ballylinch</i>		
911	Varamini (Fr)	i/f to Invincible Spirit (Ire)	280,000
	<i>(f, 4, Siyouni {Fr}–Persian Belle {GB}, by Machiavellian)</i>		

*Bred by T., D. & A. de la Heronniere (Fr)*  
*Consigned by Godolphin*  
*Purchased by Margaret O’Toole*

907	Bitter Lake	i/f to Blue Point (Ire)	160,000
	<i>(m, 8, Halling–Suez {GB}, by Green Desert)</i>		
	<i>Bred by Darley (KY)</i>		
	<i>Consigned by Godolphin</i>		
	<i>Purchased by Airlie Stud</i>		
949	Second Glance (Ire)	i/f to Calyx (GB)	160,000
	<i>(f, 3, Galileo {Ire}–Rosdhu Queen {Ire}, by Invincible Spirit {Ire})</i>		
	<i>Bred by Coolmore (Ire)</i>		
	<i>Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment</i>		
	<i>Purchased by Rabbah Bloodstock</i>		
972	Assurance (Ire)	Horse-Out-Of-Training	160,000
	<i>(f, 3, Teofilo {Ire}–Gearanai, by Toccet)</i>		
	<i>Bred by J. S. Bolger (Ire)</i>		
	<i>Consigned by Glebe House Stables</i>		
	<i>Purchased by Clifton Farm</i>		

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2020 Classic Winners; Victor Ludorum (GB) (Shamardal) winning the G1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Deauville. | Scoop Dyga



# New JOB OPENINGS

*A listing of career opportunities in the Thoroughbred industry*

## DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR One-year Consultancy Contract

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- A willingness to get things done

Ideally, the contract will run from February 2021 to the end of January 2022, with 12–16 days' input per month, depending on workload.

To apply, submit your CV and covering letter here, highlighting your capabilities and track record in the above areas, by midnight GMT on 5 January 2021. Please include your daily fee. Interviews will

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**Goffs Toppers Cont.**

**934 Eshtiya (Ire)**      **Horse-Out-Of-Training**      **150,000**  
*(f, 3, Dark Angel {Ire}–Eshera {Ire}, by Oratorio {Ire})*  
*Bred by His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S. C. (Ire)*  
*Consigned by HH Aga Khan Studs S.C.*  
*Purchased by Ballygallon Stud*

## EUROPEAN NEWS

**Longines WRA Ceremony to Be Virtual Cont. from p1**

Previously, it was announced that the **2020 Longines World's Best Jockey is Frankie Dettori**. To view the full list and for more information on the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings, please visit [www.ifhaonline.org](http://www.ifhaonline.org).

"We are glad to celebrate once again the Best of the Best in horseracing," commented Longines Vice President Marketing, Matthieu Baumgartner. "With this first digital edition, we encourage racing fans from all over the world to interact and post their contents using the hashtag #LonginesWorldRacingAwards."

"We hope everyone will enjoy the behind-the-scenes moments this virtual ceremony allows us to present," said IFHA Chairman Louis Romanet. "We are looking forward to celebrating the accomplishments of our honourees in this interactive format."

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The Longines World Racing Awards will be held virtually on Jan. 26. | IFHA

**DIRSG ANNUAL UPDATE PUBLISHED**

The 2020 Annual Update from the Diversity in Racing Steering Group (DiRSG) was published on Monday. The **report** highlights the importance of capitalising on the current momentum within British racing to continue to work together for a more diverse and inclusive sport. Funded by the Racing Foundation, the DiRSG report also contains discussion of ethnic diversity within racing in light of the worldwide conversation about race and racism seen this year, highlights a number of important individual milestones as well as the launch of a wide variety of industry initiatives around diversity and inclusion. The publication also reviews the progress of the DiRSG against its objectives for 2020 whilst setting out the group's priority actions for 2021. New members of the DiRSG include Scottish Racing Academy Manager Eleanor Boden, Hong Kong Jockey Club Veterinarian Dr. Cedric Chan, PhD Candidate, Self-Employed Researcher David Letts and Gareth Wesley, Head of Innovation at Brand Dynamics. BHA Chief Executive Nick Rust will step down at the end of the year.

Rose Grissell, British racing's Head of Diversity and Inclusion, said, "Despite the challenges faced during the COVID-19 pandemic, 2020 has seen positive stories created and impactful actions being undertaken across British racing. Individual milestones achieved on track, in particular Hollie Doyle's incredible achievements, have continued to take racing to wider audiences. More so, the launch of a raft of industry initiatives and the recent public focus on diversity issues have created real momentum behind the drive to make racing for everyone. We know that racing will be a better, stronger and more sustainable sport if we are able to attract a more diverse audience and a workforce that represents wider society."

"We are grateful for the Racing Foundation's continued support, which will allow the group to work with the industry to continue the good progress made this year. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the group, in particular those who have stepped down this year, for their time and efforts, as well as former Chair Nick Rust for all his work in helping to establish and guide the group since its formation."

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**2020 E2SE COURSE GRADUATES AT THE NATIONAL STUD**

The 2020 TBA Entry to Stud Employment graduation ceremony took place via live stream from the Joan Westbrook Lecture Theatre on Dec. 18. The TBA Education and Employment Committee Chairman Sam Bullard presented the certificates, with the award for the Most Outstanding Student given to Sam Malone, 24, from York. Malone will join the team at Cheveley Park Stud for his placement in the new year. **Cont. p8**



TBA's Sam Bullard presents the Most Outstanding Student award to Sam Malone | *The National Stud*

**2020 E2SE Course Graduates Cont.**

All graduates completed the nine-week training phase with certificates in the Principles of Horse Care, Transporting Horses and Manual Handling. They will next complete their Level 2 Diploma whilst on work placements in the new year.

Fully funded by the Thoroughbred Breeders Association and the Racing Foundation, the E2SE course started in 2018 and provides practical work-based training for individuals who wish to pursue a career in the Thoroughbred industry, but are lacking relevant experience. Once the course is completed, students who have achieved the required standard will have an interview for a minimum six to nine months paid position at a UK Thoroughbred stud farm.

“As we all know it has been a difficult year and so we are especially proud of these students and all they have achieved in nine short weeks,” said Fiona Dowling, Education Manager. “The majority had never worked with horses before coming to The National Stud and the level of improvement is just incredible. We are very excited to follow their careers and see them make a valuable contribution to the industry in the future.”

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**EMHF FELLOWSHIP OBSERVER COMPETITION LAUNCHED**

The EMHF Fellowship Observer competition, open to all members of racing societies affiliated to the ESHF, was created by the European and Mediterranean Horseracing Federation (EMHF) and the European Student Horseracing Federation (ESHF). The winner of the competition will be invited and have their expenses paid to present their ideas to the next EMHF General Assembly planned to be an in-person event in Warsaw, Poland on May 15-16, 2021. Members of the EMHF are the racing authorities for thoroughbred racing in the 26 member

countries and key administrators from these racing authorities form the delegates to the General Assembly.

Members of the ESHF are invited to submit a paper of no more than 500 words on the subject: ‘What should racing administrators in the European and Mediterranean region do to encourage greater participation in horseracing among young adults and, in particular, among students’. The paper must list the member’s university society and be submitted to [paullkhan@euromedraciing.eu](mailto:paullkhan@euromedraciing.eu) by Jan. 31, 2021, while submissions will be judged by a panel selected from the EMHF’s Executive Counsel. For more information and student eligibility, please visit [www.euromedraciing.eu](http://www.euromedraciing.eu).

Dr. Paull Khan, Secretary-General of the EMHF said, “I’m very excited by this concept and can’t wait to read the submissions. After all, when looking for innovative ideas about how to attract the younger generation to racing, who better to ask than university students with a passion for our sport? This Fellowship will, in return, provide a talented young person with a unique opportunity to gain an insight into racing’s administration at the European level.”

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Students on course at Limerick | *Racingfotos.com*

**FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS**

**Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020:**

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Buratino (Ire)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Kildangan Stud  
 88 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners  
 13:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, PLASTIC PADDY (GB)  
 9,500gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 3



**Martinborough has a pair of runners at Pornichet on Tuesday**  
*Haras de Grandcamp*

**Coulsty (Ire)** (Kodiac {GB}), Rathasker Stud  
45 foals of racing age/9 winners/3 black-type winners  
12:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, ENDURING (GB)  
£10,000 Tattersalls Ireland Ascot Yearling Sale 2019

**The Last Lion (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}), Kildangan Stud  
43 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
13:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, DARWELL LION (Ire)

**New Bay (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), Ballylinch Stud  
77 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners  
13:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, LA TIHATY (Ire)  
€32,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; £60,000 Goffs UK  
Premier & Silver Yearling Sale 2019  
13:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, VINA BAY (GB)  
14,000gns Tattersalls August Horses-in-Training Sale 2020

**Pearl Secret (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}), Chapel Stud  
43 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners  
14:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 10f, DOUBLETHETROUBLE (GB)  
€40,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2018; 25,000gns Tattersalls  
Craven Breeze-Up Sale 2020

**Vadamos (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud  
127 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners  
14:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 10f, JUSTICIALISM (Ire)  
60,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2019 - Book 1

## FRANCE

**Buratino (Ire)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Kildangan Stud  
88 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, MAMA IMELDA (Fr)  
€10,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019

**Martinborough (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), Haras de Grandcamp  
49 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

4-PORNICHET, 1700m, CENTRAL PARK WEST (Fr)

4-PORNICHET, 1700m, MARTIN'S JUSIS (Fr)

€25,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2018 - English  
Version; €20,000 RNA Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019;  
€8,500 RNA Osarus 2yo Breeze-Up Sale, La Teste 2020

## BRITAIN

### Monday's Results:

**2nd-Lingfield, £9,600, Nov, 12-21, 2yo, f, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:37.86, st.**  
**SAMMARR (GB) (f, 2, Golden Horn {GB}--Ta Ammol {GB}, by Halling)** was slowly away from the outside gate and raced in rear through the initial fractions of this unveiling. Swinging wide and stoked up off the home turn, the 6-1 chance made a rapid move into fourth entering the final furlong and kept on strongly under continued coaxing to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Vital Force (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) nearing the line. She is the second of four foals and becomes the first scorer out of an unraced half-sister to G1 Dubai Duty Free and G1 Jebel Hatta heroine Sajjhaa (GB) (King's Pest), herself produced by a winning daughter of GSW G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up Noushkey (GB) (Polish Precedent). The February-foaled bay is half to a yearling colt by Nathaniel (Ire) and a weanling filly by Showcasing (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$8,323. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (GB); T-Roger Varian.

**2nd-Newcastle, £6,700, Mdn, 12-21, 2yo, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:26.11, st.**

**DUTY OF CARE (GB) (c, 2, Kingman {GB}--Exemplify {GB}, by Dansili {GB})**, who hit the board going seven furlongs in his Dec. 9 debut at Kempton last time, tracked the leaders in third after the opening exchanges here. Nudged along to close with three furlongs remaining, the 5-6 favourite came under pressure to tackle Mobadra (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) approaching the final furlong and was ridden out to deny that persistent rival by a half-length. He is the fifth of six foals and fourth scorer produced by a winning half-sister to MG1SW dual Classic awardee Special Duty (GB) (Hennessy), herself out of a sibling of MG1SW distaffers Sightseek (Distant View) and Tates Creek (Rahy). The Juddmonte homebred is a half-brother to GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero Expert Eye (GB) (Acclamation {GB}) and a yearling filly by Acclamation (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$6,618. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

## FRANCE

## Sunday's Results:

**7th-Chantilly, €22,000, Mdn, 12-21, 2yo, f, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:58.50, st.**

**ANY TIME SOON (IRE) (f, 2, Camelot {GB}--Aquarelliste {Fr} {Hwt. Older Mare-Eng & Fr, MG1SW-Fr & G1SP-HK, \$1,357,557}, by Danehill)** kept company with the back markers after a sluggish getaway in this debut. Under wraps until coaxed forward at the quarter-mile marker, the 31-10 second choice was four lengths off Our First Lady (Ire) (Fast Company {Ire}) passing the eighth pole and found extra gears under continued rousing to edge that foe by 3/4-of-a-length in the dying strides. She becomes the seventh scorer for MG1SW stakes producer Aquarelliste (Fr) (Danehill) and is a half-sister to a trio of stakes performers headed by stakes-winning G1 Prix Jean Romanet runner-up Ame Bleue (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). The February-foaled homebred bay is also kin to a yearling filly by Tamayuz (GB) and a weanling filly by Australia (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €11,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Ballymore Thoroughbred Ltd; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (IRE); T-Andre Fabre.

## CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**1st-Chantilly, €27,000, Cond, 12-21, 2yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:18.68, st.**

**FOREFRONT (IRE) (c, 2, Estidhkaar {Ire}--Archange {Fr}, by Arcano {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, €22,660. O-Mme A G Kavanagh & Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Josephine Soudan. \*€3,500 RNA Ylg '19 TIRSEP.

## ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Bobbymurphy (Fr)**, c, 2, **Intello (Ger)**--Galaxie des Sables (Fr) (SP-Fr, \$109,633), by Marchand de Sable. Chantilly, 12-21, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:56.04. B-Haras d'Haspel (FR). \*€30,000 RNA Ylg '19 ARAUG; €58,000 2yo '20 OSAMAY. \*\*1/2 to Galaxe (Fr) (High Chaparral {Ire}), MSP-Fr.

## ITALY

## ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

**Le Seigneur de Fer (Ire)**, c, 2, **New Bay (GB)**--La Dame de Fer (Ire), by Mr. Greeley. Napoli, 12-21, Deb. (€11k), 1800mT. O-Stefano Botti. B-SEB, WJB, N'Mount & New Bay Syndicate (Ire). T-A. Botti. \*7,500gns RNA Wlg '18 TATNOV; €5,000 Ylg '19 GOFOCT. \*\*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*\*12th winner for his sire (by Dubawi {Ire}).



## EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

## IN JAPAN:

**Schnell Meister (Ger)**, c, 2, **Kingman (GB)**--Serienholde (Ger) (G1SW-Ger, \$379,079), by Soldier Hollow (GB). Nakayama, 12-19, Cond., 1600mT, 1:35.8. Lifetime Record : 2-2-0-0, \$168,447 O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Takahisa Tezuka.

**Elizabeth Tower (GB)**, f, 2, **Kingman (GB)**--Turfdonna (Ger) (G1SW-Ger, \$343,824), by Doyen (Ire). Hanshin, 12-19, Newcomers, 1600mT, 1:36.9. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$67,961. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm; T-Tomokazu Takano.

**Triple Ace (Ire)**, c, 3, **Shamardal**--Triple Pirouette, by Sunday Silence. Hanshin, 12-20, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:32.6. Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-0, \$642,913. O/B-Godolphin; T-Takashi Saito. \*GSP-Jpn.

## MIDDLE EAST

## Sunday's Results:

**QATAR DERBY (Black-Type)**, \$500,000, Al Rayyan, 12-20, 3yo, 2000mT, 2:00.81, gd.

1--**HELLENISTIQUE (FR)**, 128, g, 3, by **Wootton Bassett (GB)**

1st Dam: **Hasturianita (Ire)**, by **Dubawi (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Habilea (Fr)**, by **Grand Lodge**

3rd Dam: **Habidancer (Fr)**, by **Groom Dancer**

**1ST STAKES WIN.** (€130,000 Ylg '18 ARQAUG; €56,000 HRA '20 ARQNOV). O-Injaaz Stud; B-Haras d'Etream; T-Zuhair Mohsen Zuhair Maki; J-Marco Casamento; \$285,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$339,884.

2--**King Pacha (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, **Acclamation (GB)**--Regina Mundi (Ire), by **Montjeu (Ire)**. (€75,000 Wlg '17 ARQDEC; €150,000 Ylg '18 ARQAUG; €100,000 HRA '20 ARQARC). \$110,000.

3--**Sir Arthur Dayne (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, **Sir Prancealot (Ire)**--Shoshoni Wind (GB), by **Sleeping Indian (GB)**. (£38,000 Ylg '18 GOFAUG; 88,000gns HRA '19 TATOCT). \$55,000.

Margins: 3, 1 3/4, 1HF.

Also Ran: **Perfect Empire (GB)**, **Happy Bere (Fr)**, **Hayzum (Fr)**, **Wedream (Fr)**, **Skip the Queue (Ire)**, **Union (Ire)**, **Bottom Bay (GB)**, **Usak (Fr)**, **Suffrage (Fr)**, **Mount Fuji (Ire)**, **Main Reef (GB)**. Scratched: **Dramatic Sands (Ire)**.

## VIDEO

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

for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, Dec. 20

Earnings represent European figures, stud fees listed are 2020 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Mehmas (Ire)</b> <i>(2014) by Acclamation (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	4	<b>12</b>	2	<b>6</b>	1	<b>2</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>157,258</b>	<b>1,038,142</b>
				<i>Stands: Tally-Ho Stud Ire Fee: €7,500</i>						<i>Supremacy (Ire)</i>	
2	<b>Territories (Ire)</b> <i>(2012) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	2	<b>7</b>	1	<b>2</b>	--	<b>1</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>52,692</b>	<b>405,046</b>
				<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £12,000</i>						<i>Rougir (Fr)</i>	
3	<b>Belardo (Ire)</b> <i>(2012) by Lope de Vega (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	4	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	--	--	<b>49</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>93,140</b>	<b>368,322</b>
				<i>Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire Fee: €10,000</i>						<i>Lullaby Moon (GB)</i>	
4	<b>Pride of Dubai (Aus)</b> <i>(2012) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	--	--	<b>37</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>131,153</b>	<b>356,518</b>
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud EUR (Dead/Ret)</i>						<i>Telepathic Glances (Ire)</i>	
5	<b>Kodi Bear (Ire)</b> <i>(2012) by Kodiak (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	1	<b>5</b>	--	<b>5</b>	--	--	<b>50</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>48,137</b>	<b>349,476</b>
				<i>Stands: Rathbarry Stud Ire Fee: €6,000</i>						<i>Mystery Angel (Ire)</i>	
6	<b>Coulsty (Ire)</b> <i>(2011) by Kodiak (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	1	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>35,961</b>	<b>156,772</b>
				<i>Stands: Rathasker Stud Ire Fee: €4,000</i>						<i>Suicide Squad (Ire)</i>	
7	<b>New Bay (GB)</b> <i>(2012) by Dubawi (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	2	<b>4</b>	2	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>36</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>75,968</b>	<b>285,979</b>
				<i>Stands: Ballylinch Stud Ire Fee: €15,000</i>						<i>New Mandate (Ire)</i>	
8	<b>Adaay (Ire)</b> <i>(2012) by Kodiak (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	--	<b>3</b>	--	<b>1</b>	--	--	<b>63</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>142,880</b>	<b>440,566</b>
				<i>Stands: Whitsbury Manor Stud Eng Fee: £5,000</i>						<i>Shark Two One (GB)</i>	
9	<b>Goken (Fr)</b> <i>(2012) by Kendargent (Fr) FYR: 2018</i>	2	<b>3</b>	2	<b>3</b>	--	--	<b>37</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>72,389</b>	<b>422,367</b>
				<i>Stands: Haras de Colleville Fr Fee: €3,000</i>						<i>Go Athletico (Fr)</i>	
10	<b>Shalaa (Ire)</b> <i>(2013) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	--	<b>3</b>	--	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>59</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>32,570</b>	<b>257,706</b>
				<i>Stands: Haras de Bouquetot Fr Fee: €25,000</i>						<i>No Speak Alexander (Ire)</i>	
11	<b>Prince of Lir (Ire)</b> <i>(2014) by Kodiak (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	1	<b>3</b>	1	<b>1</b>	--	<b>1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>91,961</b>	<b>245,104</b>
				<i>Stands: Ballyhane Stud Ire Fee: €4,000</i>						<i>The Lir Jet (Ire)</i>	
12	<b>Twilight Son (GB)</b> <i>(2012) by Kyllachy (GB) FYR: 2018</i>	1	<b>2</b>	1	<b>1</b>	--	--	<b>80</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>118,983</b>	<b>322,415</b>
				<i>Stands: Cheveley Park Stud Eng Fee: £7,000</i>						<i>Aria Importante (GB)</i>	
13	<b>Isfahan (Ger)</b> <i>(2013) by Lord of England (Ger) FYR: 2018</i>	1	<b>2</b>	1	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>54,650</b>	<b>151,494</b>
				<i>Stands: Gestut Ohlerweiherhof Ger Fee: €3,000</i>						<i>Kahar (Ger)</i>	
14	<b>Awtaad (Ire)</b> <i>(2013) by Cape Cross (Ire) FYR: 2018</i>	1	<b>2</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>54</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>141,877</b>
				<i>Stands: Derrinstown Stud Ire Fee: €15,000</i>						<i>Ebeko (Ire)</i>	
15	<b>Dariyan (Fr)</b> <i>(2012) by Shamardal FYR: 2018</i>	--	<b>2</b>	--	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>25</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24,070</b>	<b>133,057</b>
				<i>Stands: Haras de Bonneval Fr Fee: €8,000</i>						<i>Princesse de Saba (Fr)</i>	



## CHC'S REVOLUTION REACHES MILESTONE



Teo Ah Khing (right) leads in Russian Revolution after his win in the G1 Oakleigh Plate | TDN AusNZ

by Bren O'Brien

With **Russian Revolution's** first crop of yearlings to be offered at Magic Millions on the Gold Coast next month, *TDN AusNZ* caught up with China Horse Club's Founder and Chairman Teo Ah Khing, to discuss the dual Group 1 winner's influence and CHC's global plans.

The esteem and affection that China Horse Club's Teo Ah Khing has for Russian Revolution is immediately evident in the tone of his voice when he speaks of the Newgate stallion.

With racehorses in eight countries across the world, a massive multinational broodmare band and investments in scores of stallions globally, you could forgive Teo for lacking sentiment about his bloodstock, but nothing could be further from the truth, especially when it comes to the horse he simply calls Russian.

"I was there when we bought him. He stood out and all the [stallion] syndicates shortlisted him. I remember speaking with Michael Wallace and we pushed very hard to get him. The selection process with the China Horse Club and Henry [Field], is very rigorous. It's like choosing Miss Universe or Mr Universe," Teo told *TDN AusNZ*.

"Every year we go through a very rigorous process. You remember those horses that stand out and it was not surprising to me that he measured up. We had a budget for him, had one

bid and got him."

That one bid at the 2015 Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale was for \$320,000, with the son of Snitzel secured from the draft of Vinery Stud and sent to Peter and Paul Snowden to train. At that point, China Horse Club was a relatively new player in the Australian market having emerged in the previous 18 months.

In a brilliant 11-start career, which featured two Group 1 wins, Russian Revolution helped power CHC's interests in Australia to another level, making himself a career as a stallion.

"From day one, Peter Snowden had a lot of positive feedback about him. He was always such a consistent horse. Like many successful future stallions, he had the consistent way and was well mannered," Teo said.

"I was at both of his Group 1 wins. I remember being in Melbourne for the Oakleigh Plate. It was an amazing win and it was a tough win. It was similar in The Galaxy. He just showed up in those races."

What is perhaps not understood about Russian Revolution here in Australia is the impact the horse's success had on the global reach of the China Horse Club, which was set up in 2013 to be Asia's premier lifestyle, business and thoroughbred racing club.

"Russian Revolution as a horse was really important for us as a club and particularly with our members in China. As a young club establishing ourselves with a major stallion, his success was historic for China Horse Club," Teo said.

"We have Russian members who live in St Petersburg and it consolidated that relationship. Just the name of the horse, it has travelled around the world."

Perhaps the greatest compliment for Russian Revolution is the company Teo holds him in when he considers China Horse Club's most important horses.

"Along came Justify and he is like a sequel to Russian Revolution. Russian came first and then Justify. Russian, for me, is really a cornerstone for our breeding project in the whole world," Teo said.

### ***The 2021 Revolution***

To be put in the same bracket as an unbeaten US Triple Crown winner is some endorsement. It's backed up by the fact that Teo will travel to Australia--doing the mandatory two weeks of quarantine in Brisbane--to watch Russian Revolution's first crop go through the ring at the Magic Millions Yearling Sale on the Gold Coast in January.

There is a sense of palpable anticipation from the Singapore-based, Malaysian-born businessman at seeing how Russian Revolution's 35 first-crop yearlings will fare on the Gold Coast.

"I'm not just saying this because we own a major share in him, but many of our friends from Japan and China are looking at the stamp he has left on his progeny. The quality stands out across the board. It's not just about one or two standing out," he said.

"We ourselves have a few standouts, based at Sledmere, but across the board, all our breeders are very happy. We have great confidence in him. We have so much feedback, not just from Royston at Sledmere, there are so many other breeders sending photographs and we look at them, and you can see instantly the Russian Revolution stamp on them."

The faith China Horse Club has shown in the stallion is evident in its support through its broodmares, lifting the number it sent to him in 2020, which was his third season at Newgate.

"It was interesting, when in his third season, breeder support dropped off a bit as it tends to do, but China Horse Club, we bred more in year three than in our previous two years. That says a lot about the confidence of our members in him," he said.

And Teo indicated that China Horse Club is keen to put its money where its mouth is when it comes to bidding on his progeny in the sales ring itself.

"There is quite a big bunch of Russian Revolutions that measure up to our selection criteria, which is very exciting," he said.

That includes China Horse Club's own stock, with a commitment to offer the best horses on the open market to determine their true value.

"When we breed, we are true breeders and all our best horses are also on sale," he said.

### ***Australia at the Centre of a Global Strategy***

Australia remains the main focus of CHC's global investment, despite its increased level of commitment in the United States off the back of Justify's success.

"To date our largest investment in our entire global portfolio is in Australia. We believe in the Australian market and industry. It's healthy, it's competitive and it's world class," Teo, a former architect, said.

"Australia's selection of broodmares is very competitive. We always feel a bit lighter in the pocket every time after the

broodmare auctions, but there is never any regret. We have a great collection of very beautiful and well-performed broodmares. We will continue to invest because we are getting results.

"The number of stallion shares and stallions we have, Australia is still top of the charts. We are investing a lot in America, with the Justify factor as well."

China is another area of substantial investment, especially moving forward, but Teo sees that as complementing what China Horse Club is doing in Australia, with the prospect of strong synergies between the thoroughbred industries in both countries.

"We never lose focus on what is our greatest market and if China's breeding and racing opens up fully, Australia will be standing to benefit. That's why our focus is in Australia. Our plans in China are very big," he said.

### ***Back in Business in the 'New Normal'***

The COVID-19 pandemic may have curbed CHC's global expansion plans somewhat this year, but Teo said ambitions for the group remain strong headed into 2021.

"Racing is a dream for many people, particularly in China. There are many people rising up in racing and that trend in China is strong. We are talking about 100,000s of people," he said.

"We see ourselves as a club that doesn't just rise today and disappear tomorrow, but one which can be a beacon to others. We want to lead the way so that others can come later on and be

better than us. This is what the industry needs."

In order to achieve the success that Teo envisions, China Horse Club has had to utilise partnerships with many of the biggest thoroughbred racing and breeding operations around the world, including the likes of WinStar, Coolmore and locally, stallion partner Newgate. He sees this approach as the true power behind China Horse Club's existing success and future prosperity.

"Partnerships, they can have their differences, but to be able to work through and resolve those differences and come to a common understanding is important," he said.

"The China Horse Club and our partnerships are a great story to tell. Some people said the Club wouldn't last more than three years, but this is our seventh year and we are still going strong. Partnerships have been really important in that."



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### Island Dream Becomes Reality

Among the most ambitious projects Teo is spearheading is the investment in the Royal St Lucia Turf Club. In a multi-billion dollar project, he secured special permission from The Queen to develop a luxury club on the Caribbean island of St Lucia, focussed around the raceclub and securing additional investment to the island.

The inaugural US\$150,000 Pitons Cup was staged at the track in December 2019 with grand visions for what the race and the Club might become.

"The Royal St Lucia Turf Club does what China Horse Club can't do in that part of the world. St Lucia will evolve similarly in terms of DNA to what China Horse Club has done. However, it has that geographic base, within the Caribbean, with the tourism and the appeal as that 'get away' destination," he said.

"That destination is about lifestyle and racing. It has gained traction in the first season. We hosted the Pitons Cup at St Lucia and we had very many private jets in St Lucia that had never been there before. The impact of the club itself on the economy of the island was clear for everyone to see.

"Sometimes we take for granted what a difference a big race can mean. For a small economy like St Lucia, a big race can have a big impact. It brought people from all over the world, from North America, Europe and from Latin America as well."

The COVID-19 pandemic prevented the 2020 event from taking place, but plans are firmly underway for racing to resume in 2021.

"I am confident it will resume bigger and better than it was. Give it five years, and I feel it may overtake what we have done with China Horse Club portfolio," Teo said.

### Passion Still Burns Strong

Through his multitude of investments, Teo's passion for thoroughbred racing and breeding remains undiminished. It is clear he intends to continue his involvement for some time to come.

"I told the boys that after five to 10 years I might hand over to them, but it looks like it has become my hobby now," he said.

"My whole family are connected to these horses around the world. It's part and parcel of our life and I think once that happens, it is very important to be passionate about it. We think a lot about how to improve not only what we are doing, but the industry at large."

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