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**NO PLACE LIKE
HOME FOR NOWHERE**



**Shakertown winner Bound for Nowhere
with trainer Wesley Ward | Coady photo**

by Chris McGrath

Of all the different ways our community is slowly retrieving its bearings, few can be as heartening as the return of the Keeneland spring meet. Its loss, last year, was one of the first crashing waves of COVID's inundation across so many routine pleasures. And last weekend could scarcely have offered more reassuring navigational markers. The fans privileged to return to their boxes saw a Derby favorite warming up in the GII Toyota Blue Grass S. and, if uncertain in their wagering, could simply back the hometown barn of Wesley Ward, who sent out four winners (one stakes, three graded stakes) plus three seconds from nine starters.

But if you wanted to condense that sense of homecoming to a single moment, then it was no contest. Because here he was again: Bound For Nowhere in the Shakertown!

This is one remarkable racehorse. In the long history of the breed, there can't be many that have run four times in the same race within a sequence of just 10 starts. Now seven, and still flying the flag for the debut crop of **The Factor**, Bound For Nowhere took his earnings to barely cents short of \$1 million, and his race record to 1-2-3-1, when getting up to land the GII Shakertown S. by a nose.

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ORSENO RESPONDS TO BLEEDING INCIDENT

When multiple graded stakes winner **Imprimis** (**Broken Vow**) finished second by a nose to Bound for Nowhere (**The Factor**) in Saturday's GII Shakertown S. at Keeneland, he returned bleeding from both nostrils. The horse had broken through the gate prior to the start and banged his head, but was examined on the scene by the state veterinarians and pronounced fit to run. Trainer Joe Orseno, who said he "thought [his] horse bled horribly," issued a statement Thursday morning through the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) in response to the incident. It read, in part:

"Published reports and social media have had some incorrect information about what did and didn't happen to my horse Imprimis...Saturday while racing without the anti-bleeder medication Lasix. I want to set the record straight.

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Sibling Duo on Track for Big Weekend: *Micheline (Bernardini) and Proxy (Tapit), Godolphin homebreds out of the Grade I-winning mare Panty Raid (Include), are on track for a potentially big weekend as they both look to see the winner's circle at Keeneland with Proxy entered in the GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. and Micheline in the GI Coolmore Jenny Wiley. Watch our chat with trainer Mike Stidham [here](#).*

ROCK YOUR WORLD IS BRED FOR ANY SURFACE 10

In the latest edition of his Taking Stock column, Sid Fernando looks into the pedigree of Rock Your World and speaks about the success of his sire Candy Ride (Arg).

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No Place Like Home for Nowhere cont. from p1

Last year, when the race was postponed to July, he set up a track record by leading until deep in the stretch, collared by a head and a neck. It had been pretty similar in 2019, when just nailed by a neck. In sum, then, he has come within half a length of winning four Shakertowns off the reel, having romped by four lengths in 2018, a record margin for this 5 1/2-furlong dash over the grass.

Bound For Nowhere has now won seven times from only 15 starts overall. He has, in other words, both demanded and rewarded patience. Just as well, then, that he runs in the silks of an owner who really understands the ups and downs of this business. Fellow name of Wesley A. Ward.

He first fell for the horse at Ashview Farm. Like everyone else in the Bluegrass, Ward knows the kind of stock raised here by the Lyster family, headed by **Runhappy** (Super Saver) and Johannesburg (Hennessy). But in this instance, he had an extra advantage. Ward leases a house on the farm, and every day in 2015, his eye was caught by a colt out of an unraced Alydeed mare the Lysters had bought for just \$15,000 at the November sale four years previously. That has turned out to be astute work, even by their standards. Yes, she was unraced and, at 11, had a pretty discouraging breeding profile, but the fact remained that she was a half-sister to dual GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner **Midnight Lute** (Real Quiet).



Bound for Nowhere (outside) gets up by a nose in the 2021 Shakertown | Coady photo

Ward, moreover, had bought the **Afleet Alex** filly this mare was carrying when she came to Ashview. "And she could really run," he remembers. "She broke her maiden here at Keeneland but just didn't keep going like she could have. Anyway, at this little house I've leased out at Ashview for the last however many years, I'm always looking out and watching what they have. And this guy was just a beauty. One of those that you just got to have." **Cont. p4**



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Ward managed to land the colt on a single bid at \$310,000.

"At the time there wasn't anybody ringing the phone, I didn't have any orders," he recalls. "So I kept him for myself, and was very happy to do so. Putting up that kind of money, it's not something I can [generally] do. But he was just one of those that you do whatever you can, because you believe in him so much. There's very few come through a sales ring that you feel that confident about, and this was one. He was just born to be a good horse."

So Ward had an unusual combination of very high stakes but zero external pressure. He gave Bound For Nowhere all the time he needed: didn't run him at two, didn't push him into the Florida division.

"I was able to take my time with him, just let him mature and grow into himself," he explains. "I kept him up at Turfway, to get through his maiden without it being a real contentious field, and then I waited and ran him at Keeneland. And then he just bounced right through that and was off to Ascot."

Bound For Nowhere has actually managed three Ascot raids in his staccato career. That first time, he ran a solid fourth to **Caravaggio** (Scat Daddy) in the G1 Commonwealth Cup for sophomores, but perhaps the peak performance of his career to date came the following year, when beaten under a length into third by Merchant Navy (Aus) (**Fastnet Rock {Aus}**) in the G1 Diamond Jubilee S.

"The first time over there, I really thought he had a big chance," Ward remembers. "But he was just lacking in experience, especially on a straight course, and that's what got us, though he still ran a very creditable race. Then the next year, he just had a little bit of traffic trouble."

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Joel Rosario is a fantastic rider, as you've all seen last weekend, but those 5/8th and 3/4-mile races at Ascot, they're completely different. Maybe if we had Frankie [Dettori] that day, that might have made a big difference, because he knows that track like the back of his hand. Take nothing away from Joel, he's my rider, but on the day he went right and everybody else went left. And we were still just beaten on the line."

The horse has always had the potential, then, someday to land a knockout punch at the elite level. It was a real pity, then, that he was unable to run at the Breeders' Cup on his "home" track last year. But his disappearance between his third and fourth Shakertowns was instructive of the challenges Bound For Nowhere has set Ward, overall. Because it's not as though he has always had to battle some kind of chronic soundness issue. Almost invariably, he has come up with some kind of quirky new puzzle.



'He's very pampered,' says Ward | racingfotos.com

"He's had some very strange issues over the years," says Ward. "Last year, for instance, he had a little piece of shavings get stuck in his eye. Not a big deal, he was certainly able to run through it, though his eye was weeping. But what he also had, which was really strange, was some kind of pinched nerve or something. When we jogged him up and down, he was completely sound, perfect. But as soon as you put a rider on his back, he had a little hitch in behind; you could tell something was nagging him. I like to use the older vets that have seen everything, and we had chiropractors come in, we tried everything. But nobody could figure it out."

So Ward pulled the plug for the year and took the chance to get the eye sorted, too. And somehow the time off has restored Bound For Nowhere to a condition that he has possibly never surpassed.

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No Place Like Home for Nowhere cont.

Perhaps there's a message here that might be worth heeding with a lot of horses. Nobody, admittedly, would deliberately structure a career this way and his serial hold-ups have sometimes made him seem rather too aptly named. But the fact is that the horse has been able to reach physical maturity with relatively few miles on the clock.

Ward stresses that his patrons are exemplary, in terms of putting the needs of their horses first. But he does agree that Bound For Nowhere, crazy as it sounds, might only now be achieving his potential.

"Because he's been given all those winters off, I think that's where the longevity comes," he reasons. "Whenever we felt it would be a good time to let down and build back up again, we turned him out. So really he's more like a 4-year-old. I guess it might be hard to convince an owner to have just 15 starts when you're seven. But patience has certainly paid off. As I said, it's always just been minor issues. But if you pushed on, then maybe they'd have become major issues.

"A lot of my owners, I do have that type of leverage with. And those are the owners I do the best for. The ones that just let you train the horse, and let the horse tell us where to run—because he's breathing fire, so to speak, and not just because you have chosen a race and try to force his schedule round it."

Ward does tend to geld horses whenever it seems sensible, but Bound For Nowhere has been so immaculate in his behavior that he retains all necessary equipment for a stud career. At the very least, you would hope that he could yet secure a spot on a good regional program if finally nailing that elite win. The Breeders' Cup naturally dominates Ward's thinking, but in the meantime he must choose between a return to Ascot or the GI Jaipur S. at Belmont in June.

"He's never been one whose mind is wandering off, or who's hollering around the barn," he says. "He's a real gentleman. He has a nice pedigree, he's got heart, and he's a beautiful horse so, yes, I'd hope there's a farm somewhere that might stand him, even if it's at a pretty nominal fee, just because he's such a wonderful horse.

"He's very pampered, a barn favorite. He's got his own personality about him. He's all boy, that's for sure, but he was one of those that was sent to private school! But Julio [Garcia] is 58 years old and about 102 lbs, and you can gallop him around there with two fingers."

And actually Ward says he feels that this has contributed to Bound For Nowhere's lasting enthusiasm.

"He's very easy on himself," he explains. "He knows his job. Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) would outwork him each and every week. And yet when he got to race, he'd run like hell." **Cont. p7**



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Ward continued, "He knows there's not a lot of pressure in the mornings. A lot of horses can't differentiate: morning or afternoon, when they're asked to go, they're gone. This guy will go a half-mile in :52. Or, if you want him to, he'll work in :46." Ward pauses and chuckles. "Though he's always happier with :52."

If Bound For Nowhere won somewhat as the barn mascot, he had to yield the weekend headlines to other horses--notably Ward's latest Grade I winner, Kimari (**Munnings**) in the Madison S. Now six-for-10, she has "come out of the race fantastic" and Ward will now sit down with owner Dave Mowat of Ten Broeck Farm and Ben McElroy to discuss options, including a return to Ascot where she ran a fine second last year.

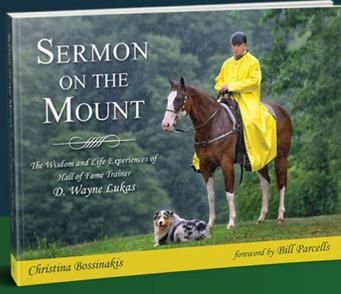
Regardless, Ward hopes to assemble his customary juvenile team for the Royal meeting. "Though I've been a little backed up with my 2-year-olds this year, with the weather here in Kentucky," he cautions. "In years past, they always come blasting right off here at Keeneland, but the better ones just aren't ready. They will be coming out in the next few weeks, and we'll just let them find their way."



Like The King | Coady

But nothing sums up the barn's overall momentum like the prospect of a first starter in the GI Kentucky Derby itself. Ward did have one make the line-up back in 2014, when drawn 20, but he was scratched and subsequently confirmed that he did not belong at that level. Now he has a legitimate contender in **Like A King (Palace Malice)**, whose success in the GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks was one of five from just six starters at Turfway the previous weekend. (The solitary "failure," incidentally, was beaten a neck!)

"We're real excited to get in there for the first time," Ward enthuses. "And especially one with a chance. Because he comes from way back and makes a big run. You never know what happens with those horses. If the speed develops up front, here we come."



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The switch from synthetics is the obvious caveat against Like A King, but the GI Santa Anita Derby success of Rock Your World (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) confirms how a Derby horse can sometimes emerge from the most unconventional of groundings.

"Early on, he certainly had an affinity for the grass as well as the Polytrack," Ward concedes. "And his dirt works were average. But his last two works here at Keeneland, on the conventional dirt surface, were really good :59-and-change, real fast times, and impressive visually. Churchill is always going to be a big question, because the two tracks have different dirt surfaces. But we're going to keep our work here at his home track, just to keep him sound going into the race."

So here is a trainer with a real spring in his step, not least with his favorite meet contributing to a sense of new beginnings in the wider world.

"Yeah, to see people getting out, traveling around a little bit, and the restaurants and everything opening up, we're getting a little bit of normalcy back," Ward says. "And hopefully as more of the vaccines get out, everything can open up completely to where the fans are back, not only in our sport but in all sports."

And if we've all been "going nowhere fast," for the past year or so, we can now gratefully take a lead from the flagship of this thriving barn. Because if we're slowly getting somewhere, after plenty of patience, then so too is one of the quickest horses in the country.

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Orseno Responds to Bleeding Incident cont. from p1



Imprimis (inside) in Saturday's Shakertown | Coady

"Thank God the considerable blood coming from Imprimis's left nostril after the race was not pulmonary hemorrhaging. It also was not from what has been erroneously reported as being a cut on his nose sustained when he broke through the gate prior to the start. Imprimis does have a sizable bump on his nose--about six inches from his nostril--from where his head apparently hit the gate, but he did not sustain any cuts. The endoscopic examination that I had my private veterinarian conduct did reveal trace levels of Exercise Induced Pulmonary Hemorrhaging [EIPH]. I'm just so thankful that it wasn't more severe."

Orseno reported Imprimis is doing well this week, but does have a large bump still visible on his nose. He stands by what he said about the new Lasix rules.

"I also don't retract what I told journalists after the race. I'll say it again right now: It's not good for the industry what they're doing forcing horses, particularly older horses, to run without Lasix in stakes races. And apparently that's not just one trainer's opinion. I didn't know so many people had my phone number, all the horsemen who called or emailed me and said, 'Thank you for speaking up'--trainers I don't even know. Someone in California called me out of the clear blue and said, 'Thank you, someone had the guts to say something.' I don't look at it that way. At the time, it wasn't about guts, it was about being very upset over my horse. I've been doing this 44 years and it's not just my livelihood, it's my life.

"I made my statement that someone has to explain to me why we're making horses bleed, older horses that have run on Lasix their whole life, and now all of a sudden you're going to penalize the best horses in the country. It's not good for the game, when we can stop it with an easy fix.

"My veterinarian's endoscopic exam of Imprimis showed that

most of the blood was from banging his head. He did have traces, a trickle down his throat, showing that he did bleed a little in the trachea. We were very lucky.

"There are many horses that bleed significantly, but not always externally. It is wrong and naive to think no damage is being done to horses just because they didn't bleed through the nostrils. It is also deceptive for those who are trying to label an EIPH episode only by visible blood from the nostrils. How are you going to tell an owner this horse is going to only run four times this year instead of eight or nine because I need more time in between to heal them up because he bleeds and we can't use Lasix? They are going to start to get disgusted, and horses will be hurt if they return at all. Owners are not going to be as excited about buying horses and racing if they can't run them more than four times a year.

"I am on the board of the Florida HBPA. We are scoping stakes horses--which must run without Lasix at Gulfstream Park--and we're paying for it, so we hopefully can all learn something and together make informed and intelligent policy decisions from transparent data going forward. I'd say overall that the overwhelming majority of these horses are bleeding to some degree. The numbers aren't good. Do we really want to do this to our horses? I sure don't."

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Hit the Road | Benoit

The winner of four straight races and six of nine overall, including a first-ever Grade I triumph for his trainer last out, progressive **Hit the Road** (**More Than Ready**) will travel outside of California for the first time in his career to face eight rivals in a competitive renewal of the GI Maker's Mark Mile Friday at Keeneland.

Capturing his first two turf tries, the latter coming in the Zuma Beach S., as a 2-year-old, the bay ran seventh before being disqualified to last in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf and was fourth in the GIII Cecil B. DeMille S. That's the last time Hit the Road has tasted defeat, as he followed up a Santa Anita allowance score last spring with a tally in the restricted Oceanside S. July 10 at Del Mar. Given the rest of his sophomore campaign off, he's come back better than ever, dominating the GIII Thunder Road S. by 3 3/4 lengths and squeezing through a narrow opening to take the GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile S. to give conditioner Dan Blacker a career high Mar. 6 at Santa Anita.

Given the narrow nod at 7-2 on the morning line is the lone other Grade I winner in the field, Peter Brant's **Raging Bull (Fr)** (Dark Angel {Ire}). Rallying to a victory in the GI Hollywood Derby in December of 2018, the now 6-year-old has had a difficult time finding the winning thread since then, scoring just once in his subsequent 10 tries, albeit at the highest level in last spring's GI Shoemaker Mile S. at Santa Anita. The Chad Brown trainee ran a close third in this event last year and was runner-up in the GI Shadwell Turf Mile S. here in the fall before running 10th in the GI FanDuel Breeders' Cup Mile.

Lightly raced **Darain (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) intrigues as he takes a steep class hike. Starting his career two-for-two last summer in his native land for John Gosden, he failed to hit the board in the G2 Sky Bet Great Voltigeur S. or G3 Darley S., but was a narrow

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second and registered a sharp allowance score in two tries for Brad Cox this winter at Fair Grounds. **Somelikeithotbrown** (Big Brown) also commands respect, as his twin 105 Beyers from his runner-up finish in Pimlico's GII Dinner Party S. and victory in the New York-bred Mohawk S. last fall are tied with Raging Bull's Shoemaker figure for field best.

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Raging Bull | Benoit

TAKING STOCK

by Sid Fernando



ROCK YOUR WORLD IS BRED FOR ANY SURFACE



Rock Your World | Benoit

On Wednesday on Steve Byk's radio show "At the Races," while discussing the pedigree of GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby winner **Rock Your World** (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), I mentioned that the undefeated colt is suited for dirt despite beginning his career successfully with two wins on grass. In fact, Rock Your World, who earned a 100 Beyer Speed Figure on the main track, is bred to handle any surface and would probably be equally as adept on all-weather.

Owned by Hronis Racing and Talla Racing and trained by John Sadler, Rock Your World is out of the Empire Maker mare Charm the Maker, a black-type winner of three races and \$340,290. She won the listed Sharp Cat S. at Hollywood Park, the restricted Adoration S. at Del Mar, and was placed in the GI Hollywood Starlet S. on all-weather, but she was also placed in the GI Oak Leaf S. at Santa Anita on dirt and the GIII Autumn Miss S. on turf at the same track.

Likewise, Rock Your World's Argentine-bred sire was versatile. An undefeated winner of six races, **Candy Ride** won the G1 Joaquin S. de Anchorena at San Isidro in Argentina on turf and the GI Pacific Classic at Del Mar on dirt among other major wins. Ron McAnally, who famously trained John Henry to Grade I wins on dirt and turf, conditioned both **Candy Ride** and Charm the Maker, and together with his wife Deborah McAnally he's the breeder of Rock Your World. The McAnallys knew what they were doing with this mating--they bred and raced Charm the Maker--and they created a high-class colt in Rock Your World that was meant to be versatile, and he is. **Cont. p11**

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Rock Your World was sold for \$650,000 as a Keeneland September yearling and his win Saturday has put a spotlight on the low-key McAnallys' breeding program, which is not only potent but also commercially successful.

Rock Your World's 5-year-old full sister She's Our Charm-- Charm the Maker's first foal --is a McAnally homebred trained by Ron McAnally that is Grade III-placed on turf. She was bought back for \$600,000 as a Keeneland yearling, and as she's made all 11 of her starts on grass, she probably provided Sadler with the blueprint for debuting Rock Your World on turf.

The McAnallys' inside knowledge of this pedigree goes deeper than a cursory surface reading indicates. Rock Your World's second dam, the Giant's Causeway mare Charm the Giant (Ire), was bred and raced by Deborah McAnally and trained by Ron McAnally, and she was a Grade III winner on turf who produced GII John Henry Turf Championship S. winner Liam the Charmer (Smart Strike) in addition to Charm the Maker. The McAnallys didn't race Liam the Charmer, selling him for \$500,000 as a Keeneland September yearling in 2014 through Don Robinson's Winter Quarter Farm, which also sold Rock Your World and boards the McAnallys' breeding stock.

Rock Your World's third dam is the Olympio mare Olympic Charmer, also bred and raced by Deborah McAnally and trained by her husband, who also trained Olympio, a Grade I winner on turf and a multiple Grade II winner on dirt for Verne Winchell. Olympic Charmer won the GII Railbird S. at Hollywood, the GII El Encino S. at Santa Anita, and placed in the GI La Brea S. at Santa Anita on dirt. Olympic Charmer's unraced Majestic Light dam Light a Charm had been pivotally acquired by Deborah McAnally to begin this run of success over the last 25 years, and Rock Your World is a fourth-generation McAnally-bred in the tail-female

sequence of this family that has produced prominent runners in graded races on dirt, turf, and all-weather.

Candy Ride

Candy Ride began his career at John Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale for \$10,000, but now stands at W.S. Farish's Lane's End for \$75,000. He is the sire of 98 black-type winners, including Horse of the Year **Gun Runner** and champion Shared Belief, and I've previously written extensively about this outstanding stallion, including this piece from 2019, "**Candy Ride and His North American Success.**" Lane's End also stands his best stallion son, **Twirling Candy** (\$40,000 fee and the sire of Classic hopefuls Rombauer and Dream Shake); his latest champion, first-season sire **Game Winner** (\$30,000); and **Unified** (\$10,000), whose first-crop 2-year-olds will race this year after being well received at the sales. It's safe to say the farm is well invested in this line, which traces to former Lane's End sire Fappiano through the unusual sequence of Ride the Rails/Cryptoclearance/Fappiano. The more common paths to Fappiano in pedigrees go through Unbridled's Song and Empire Maker, both sons of Fappiano's GI Kentucky Derby winner Unbridled, or through Quiet American, the tail-male grandsire of **Midnight Lute** and the broodmare sire of that outstanding sire of broodmares, **Bernardini**.

You'll note that Rock Your World is out of a mare by Empire Maker, which means that he's inbred 4x4 to Fappiano on the sire-line cross. There are two other black-type winners bred on this cross, including fellow Grade I winner Separationofpowers. **Candy Ride** is also the sire of Grade I winner **Leofric** from an Unbridled's Song mare, so you get the drift that he blends well with Fappiano, and not just on the sire-line cross. **Gun Runner**, for example, is also inbred 4x4 to Fappiano through Quiet American, the sire of his second dam.

Cont. p12**Candy Ride** | *Lane's End*

Taking Stock cont.**Gun Runner** | Horsephotos

Gun Runner's dam is by Giant's Causeway, who, as noted earlier, is the sire of the second dam of Rock Your World, meaning that both of these **Candy Ride** Grade I winners have some similar elements in their respective dams. This is yet another indication of how well thought out the planning was for the mating that produced Rock Your World.

"I don't know that Ron [McAnally] really wanted to sell Rock Your World," said David Ingordo by phone Thursday, and the fact that McAnally bought back his full sister for \$600,000 as a yearling is probably an indication that he was firm on a stiff price. Ingordo, who heads Lane's End Bloodstock and is the buyer for clients Hronis Racing and John Sadler, was instrumental in the purchase of Rock Your World for \$650,000-- a price only eclipsed by the \$1 million paid for the yet-as-unraced Contango for **Candy Ride** yearlings in 2019. Contango was also a graduate of Winter Quarter Farm. That year, there were three others by **Candy Ride** that also made \$650,000: unraced Secret Weapon, who breezed a bullet :59 flat at Santa Anita Mar. 27; Red Hot and Blue, third in his only start in a maiden special at Gulfstream Feb. 7; and Constituency, who was third Mar. 13 in a \$20,000 maiden claimer at Gulfstream in his third start.

Ingordo, who plucked out Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) for \$60,000 as a Keeneland September yearling, has an excellent eye for projecting young stock for two-turn races, and he was attracted to Rock Your World because of his size and scope. "We love **Candy Ride** as a sire, of course, and he was a big colt who reminded me of **Twirling Candy**; maybe he was a bit bigger and stretchier, and he looked like a two-turn horse. Plus, his pedigree is so California-centric," Ingordo said. **West Coast**-based Hronis Racing and Sadler also campaigned champion older horse and GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner

Accelerate (**Lookin At Lucky**), now a stallion at Lane's End.

Ingordo also purchased **Accelerate**, for \$380,000 as a KEESEP yearling, but he was better as an older runner than he was at three, like Zenyatta.

Rock Your World, however, is now firmly in the Derby picture, and with his sire and female family behind him, a Classic win would send his stud value into the stratosphere. I'm sure Lane's End is anticipating exactly this and looking forward to standing yet another son of **Candy Ride** when it's all said and done, thanks to Ingordo.

Sid Fernando is president and CEO of Werk Thoroughbred Consultants, Inc., originator of the Werk Nick Rating and eNicks.

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BOURBON COUNTY SHERIFF INVESTIGATING HORSE ABUSE CASE

by Bill Finley

The Bourbon County Sheriff's Office has launched an investigation that involves dead and malnourished horses found Mar. 19 at a Thoroughbred farm in Paris, Kentucky. According to the police report, that property was owned by Steve Johnson, who had leased it to Xavier McGraph. According to his Facebook page, McGraph is the owner of McGraph Breaking and Training. The *TDN* was unsuccessful in its efforts to reach him.

In a statement released Tuesday, the Sheriff's office said that the investigation was ongoing and that a suspect had been identified and a criminal complaint had been issued. McGraph was not named in the statement.

"On the Afternoon of Mar. 19, 2021, the Bourbon County Sheriff's Office received a complaint of Equine Welfare at a farm on Brentsville Road here in Bourbon County," said the press release from the Bourbon County Sheriff's Office. "Deputies responded to the scene and immediately started an investigation into the welfare of the equine present. The Bourbon County Sheriff's Office has received support from The Ky Department of Agriculture who assisted us with locating and contacting owners and started the process of relocating horses to a safe environment for care and treatment. They are also assisting with the investigation and have sent an investigator to work closely with us throughout this case. As of now all the horses have been identified and the process of relocating them to various locations is coming to an end. The Bourbon County Sheriff's Office has identified a suspect in the case and a criminal complaint has been issued. This investigation is still ongoing, and all authorities involved are actively working together to bring this to a close." **Cont. p13**

Horse Abuse Case cont.

One of the malnourished horses at the Paris, Ky. farm
courtesy Christina Stewart

According to a police report obtained by the *TDN*, the sheriff's office received a tip from horse owner Alyssa Evans, who had given McGraph a mare to care for, that there were two dead horses in a paddock on the property. Upon investigating, they discovered the two dead horses and found additional horses that were malnourished. Veterinarian Dr. Zach Logan was brought in to evaluate 23 horses and he advised that 11 were malnourished or severely malnourished and that two dead horses likely starved to death. The two dead horses have yet to be identified.

"There's no doubt in my mind that he was starving them," Evans said of McGraph. "Never when I went out there did I see him feeding anybody."

According to the police report, "[Evans] advised that she went into the barn to locate her horse and located another horse in the stall that hers was supposed to be [in]. The horse in that stall was very malnourished and also had sores on its head and body. Deputies also were shown the two dead horses, one of which appeared to [be] recent and one that appeared to have been dead longer."

The report says that police called in a veterinarian, Dr. Zach Logan, to assess the horses.

"He looked at the 23 horses that were at the location, he advised that 11 were malnourished or severely malnourished, and the two that had died were likely to have been starved to death."

Diana Winkelspecht, who had received a call from one of McGraph's owners asking her to retrieve his horse, was among the first to arrive. She said she would eventually take in a number of ailing horses that had been on the property.

"We couldn't walk away from the situation," she said. "After

seeing this I had to see that something was done and that someone was held accountable for it. It looked like these horses had been abandoned. It didn't look like anybody had been on the part of the farm Xavier was leasing for a while. Weeks if not longer. There were two dead horses in the paddock and there were horses that were skin and bones. That's weeks and weeks of abuse."

Amanda Scarsella said that she had turned over five horses to McGraph. One, a 5-year-old broodmare named Fresh Face (**Uncle Mo**) has not been located and Scarsella said that she believed she may be one of the two dead horses.

The police report said that Johnson had offered to personally see that the horses would be taken care of, and he told *TDN* that he was unaware that there were any problems with the McGraph horses.

"This was his operation," he said. "I didn't feel it was necessary for me to go back and look over his shoulder at what he was doing. I would drive by the front of the part that he was leasing and I saw the horses in the paddock, I saw him out exercising, galloping the horses or whatever. I could see the shape of those horses and they were acceptable. There weren't any warning signs that I saw."

Johnson said he looked into McGraph's background before leasing him the stalls and received "glowing reports" on him. McGraph had worked at Pin Oak Stud as a groom.

"I checked him out and his references were very strong," Johnson said.

Bourbon County police said they plan to file a summons.

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AMERICAN-SOURCED MARES CHURN OUT RESULTS AT INGLIS EASTER SALE *by Alan Carasso*



Written Tycoon colt lot 283 | *Inglis photo*

It was a stunning couple of days of trade at the Inglis Easter Yearling Sale, held this past Tuesday and Wednesday at the auction house's Riverside complex at Warwick Farm in Sydney. The event averaged A\$371,236, a 5% increase on the last comparable sale in 2019 (last year's sale was held virtually) and was the highest since 2008. The median price of A\$280,000 represented a healthy 7.9% bump over 2019 and seven out of eight horses to go under the hammer changed hands. Turnover for the sale was A\$132 million, led by an A\$2.5-million Snitzel (Aus) colt out of G1 Australian Oaks winner Rising Romance (NZ) (Ekraar) that was bought by Hawkes Racing, one of 22 seven-figure yearlings that were acquired by 17 different buying entities.

"We wanted to try and put together what was fair and effectively a lucrative market for vendors and buyers to operate in, and it's hard to escape the conclusion at the end of the sale that that has happened. It feels very healthy," Sebastian Hutch, Inglis's General Manager of Bloodstock Sales and Marketing told *TDNAusNZ*.

As is frequently the case at Easter, the progeny of bloodstock sourced in the U.S. proved popular and to follow is a brief recap of some of those sellers:

Lot 102, c, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Stormy Lucy, by Stormy Atlantic *Purchased by Tasman Bloodstock for A\$475,000*

This is the second produce for Stormy Lucy, who won her maiden for \$30,000 in 2012 and scaled the heights to upset the 2015 GI Matriarch S. at 65-1. A half-sister to the dam of GSW turf sprinter Big Runner (**Stormy Atlantic**), Stormy Lucy fetched \$575,000 from SF Bloodstock at the 2016 Fasig-Tipton Horses of All Ages Sale and was sold with this colt in utero for A\$775,000 at the 2019 Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale.

Lot 213, c, I Am Invincible (Aus)--Beat the Benchmark, by Speightstown

Purchased by Rosemont Victorian Alliance /Suman Hedge Bloodstock (FBAA)/David Redvers Bloodstock for \$525,000
A \$300,000 FTSAUG yearling, Beat the Benchmark made a winning debut and was third in the GI Natalma S. in 2016, and was purchased by Anthony Penfold for \$400,000 at FTKNOV in 2017. This is the first foal for the half-sister to SW & GSP Abraham (**Distorted Humor**) from the family of GSW/GISP Miss Isella (Silver Charm).

Lot 283, c, Written Tycoon (Aus)--Dream Play, by Hennessy
Purchased by Tom Magnier/James Bester B'stock for A\$1,100,000
Winner of the 2009 GII Comely S. for trainer Kiaran McLaughlin, Dream Play--a half-sister to GISW Diplomat Lady (Forestry)--was sold to James Bester for \$460,000 at FTKNOV later that fall. The mare's Southern Hemisphere produce include GSW & G1SP Zululand (Aus) (**Fastnet Rock {Aus}**) and GSP Chicago Bull (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}).

Lot 332, f, Exceed and Excel (Aus)--Heart Ashley, by Lion Heart
Purchased by Freedman Bros/China Horse Club for A\$500,000
Heart Ashley, the 2009 GIII Cicada S. winner, was purchased by Bester for \$500,000 at the 2010 Keeneland November sale and the half-sister to GISW Cupid (**Tapit**), GSW Ashley's Kitten (**Tale of the Cat**) and SW Indianapolis (**Medaglia d'Oro**) has been responsible for Fiano Romano (Aus) (**Fastnet Rock {Aus}**), a multiple Group 3 winner in Japan, as well as Spendthrift Australia's Group 3-placed Ameristralia (Aus) (**Fastnet Rock {Aus}**), both Easter grads.

Lot 334, f, I Am Invincible (Aus)--Helena's Secret, by Five Star Day
Purchased by IRON/George Moore Bloodstock for A\$420,000
A maiden winner from five starts, Helena's Secret was a \$200,000 purchase at KEENOV in 2011. The half-sister to SW & GSP Tears I Cry (Chester House) from the family of Street Cry (Ire) and Shamardal, is the dam of GSW & G1SP Thronum (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}) from five Australian foals to race. Click for **more on IRON** from *TDNAusNZ*.

Lot 351, c, Deep Field (Aus)--Invading Humor, by Invasor (Arg) *Purchased by A R Bell Racing for A\$380,000*

New York-bred and half-million dollar winner Invading Humor was a three-time restricted stakes winner before being scooped up by SF Bloodstock & Newgate Farm--home of the successful Deep Field--for \$100,000 at FTKNOV in 2016. This is the second foal for the full-sister to MSP New York-bred Distorted Beauty.

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Lot 405, c, Capitalist (Aus)--Ma Can Do It, by Majesticperfection

Purchased by George Moore Bloodstock for A\$725,000

Third in the 2015 GI Darley Alcibiades S. and runner-up in the GI Black-Eyed Susan S. in 2016, Ma Can Do It was knocked down to SF/Newgate for \$300,000 at FTKNOV that fall. This is also her second produce.

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FLOROPLUS DQ'D FROM TURFWAY WIN FOR LIDOCAINE

By T.D. Thornton

Floroplus (City Zip), a Turfway Park-based gelding who won three straight races in March, has been disqualified for the second of those victories after post-race testing revealed a 3-hydroxylicocaine (lidocaine) positive.

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission has voided the win and redistributed purse money for the Mar. 18 victory by Floroplus in an \$18,000 claiming sprint. Trainer Kim Hammond has been penalized with a \$500 fine and a 30-day suspension, 15 days of which will be stayed because of "mitigating circumstances (number of violations in relation to overall record)."

The stay is also conditional on Hammond not incurring a Penalty Category A or B medication violation in any jurisdiction within a year of the Apr. 5 ruling.

Lidocaine, a local anesthetic, is classified as a Class 2, Penalty Category B substance on the Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule compiled by the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI). For a first offense, the ARCI's recommended Category B penalties are a "minimum one-year suspension absent mitigating circumstances [and a] minimum fine of \$10,000 or 10% of total purse (greater of the two) absent mitigating circumstances."

According to the ruling, both Hammond and Kevin Brown (who owns Floroplus under the stable name Small Town Paddock), waived rights to formal stewards' hearings.

Small Town Paddock won six of nine races, second in the standings at Turfway's 2021 winter/spring meet, and Hammond won four of 10 starts during that time. Her suspension runs Apr. 6-20.

Floroplus, a 7-year-old, has won nine of 22 lifetime starts.

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'NORTH CAROLINA DERBY ACT' SIDESTEPS KEY ISSUE

By T.D. Thornton

Two North Carolina senators filed a bill Apr. 6 that would create a racing commission to promote and regulate a built-from-scratch Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry in a state where pari-mutuel wagering is currently not legal.

Despite that seemingly large hurdle, Senators Paul Lowe (D-Forsyth) and Jim Perry (R-Lenoir) for the most part sidestepped the controversial issue of horse betting in Senate Bill 629, which is titled "The North Carolina Derby Act."

The only gambling-related reference within the bill comes under the definition for the proposed "North Carolina Racing Office," which is to be established under the Lottery Commission and would be "vested with control of all horse racing in the State and with power to adopt rules under which racing and wagering shall be conducted."

In other words, the bill's backers are banking on fellow legislators and the citizenry of a very conservative state being okay with allowing a newly created racing commission to legalize horse betting simply by writing regulations that make it allowable.

When asked by WRAL News why betting wasn't more specifically addressed within the bill, Lowe replied, "That's part of the industry."

North Carolina hosts limited steeplechase and harness meets that are non-pri-mutuel.

Lowe told WRAL that commercial Thoroughbred racing presents an opportunity for economic development, even in rural areas.

"It's a billion-dollar industry," Lowe said. "You start looking at restaurants, hotels and all of the things that go around with this kind of agricultural sporting event-there's a lot that goes into it."

The bill states that the racing commission would be charged with the duty to "Develop a long-term plan for racing in North Carolina to determine the appropriate location and number of tracks to be built in this State so as to position any major track and its purse structure in the upper segment of good quality tracks while creating a strong breeding, foaling, and training structure throughout the State."

The bill further adds that the commission would be tasked with issuing "permits to build only quality racing facilities that are designed to permit year-round racing."

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GOLDEN GATE TO REOPEN TO FANS AT LIMITED CAPACITY

Golden Gate Fields will reopen the racetrack to a limited capacity of fans starting Friday, Apr. 16, for the remainder of the winter/spring meet that runs through June 13.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, fans will be required to reserve tickets for the duration of the meet. General admission and walk-ups are not permitted at this time. Fans are encouraged to sign-up [online](#) to be the first to receive notification when tickets go on sale.

Reopening protocols will include social distancing, mandatory masking when not actively eating or drinking, contactless thermal temperature scanning, accessible hand sanitization stations and enhanced cleaning throughout the facility.

While the track will reopen to fans in limited capacity for live racing, the Turf Club Restaurant and simulcast facilities will remain closed until further notice.

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SLACK PURCHASES KILFLYNN FARM

Florida businessman, Robert Slack, founder of Robert Slack, LLC, a Florida real estate brokerage, purchased Kilflynn Farm on Winchester Rd. near Paris, Kentucky.

The 417-acre farm, formerly owned by Denis Brosnan, was originally part of Stone Farm. Joe Riddell of the Riddell Smith Group at Rector Hayden Realtors handled the sale.

"I have been interested in a farm in Kentucky for many years, and when this one became available, I finally took the plunge, and I am excited to be in the same neighborhood as Claiborne, Machmer Hall, Hidden Brook, and other farms who produce such great runners," Slack said. "I am also very happy that Martin Keogh, one of Kentucky's most respected horsemen, will be my General Manager. The farm will be known as Stoneriggs Farm, which is the name of the farm that my parents went to in 1941 and is still in the family today."

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FAIR HILL RACES TO SKIP 2021



Fair Hill's turf course | Courtesy Fair Hill Races

Officials with Fair Hill Races, which annually holds jump racing events in Elkton, Md., announced Thursday the decision to skip the 2021 season and not schedule any races. Traditionally held in May, the Fair Hill Races are extremely popular with both the racing segment and the general public.

While uncertainty regarding COVID-19 and safety regulations came into play, the cancellation was also an opportunity to let the newly installed turf surface mature. Through a \$20-million public-private partnership between the state of Maryland and the Fair Hill Foundation, upgrades to the historic one-mile track were completed last year. Among the upgrades were a new irrigation system, distance poles, finish pole and running rails, and widened turns. The course is part of the newly constructed equestrian Special Event Zone at Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area. The venue also features a new cross-country course, updated timber course, and new competition arenas built within the turf track's infield. The inaugural Maryland 5 Star at Fair Hill, to be held in October, will be the first event to take place in the Special Event Zone.

"While it is disappointing that we will not be able to host the races this spring, we know that holding off and letting the new surface develop properly is the right decision," said Fair Hill president and CEO Charles C. Fenwick, Jr. "We want to ensure the course will be stable and secure for many decades to come. When the course was first constructed in 1928, William du Pont, Jr. waited six years before allowing horses on the track for the same reason. With today's technology, we do not expect the maturing process to take nearly that long."

The Turf Course at Fair Hill was modeled after the original design of England's Aintree Racecourse and hosted its first race in 1934.

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TONY RYAN BOOK AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Six finalists have been announced for the 2021 Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award, which recognizes the year's best long-form writing on racing. The award is presented annually by Castleton Lyons.

A Hole Through the Wind, by Alan Patterson, reveals the lives of twin colts through the diary and remembrances of an old horseman.

Diane Crump, A Horse-Racing Pioneer's Life in the Saddle, by Mark Shrager, is a biography of the first woman to ride in a pari-mutuel race in the U.S.

First-Time Starter is a novella written by former owner and jockey's agent Stan Jensen.

Good Things Come is the first novel by equine artist Linda Shantz and mixes hope, heartbreak and romance on the Canadian racing scene.

Ruffian, by Precious McKenzie, is a fictional account of the life of the champion filly as seen through a young racing fan.

Sylvia Rideoutt Bishop Had a Way With Horses, by Vicky Moon, is the biography of the first black woman to obtain a trainer's license in the U.S.

The Tony Ryan Book Award winner had been announced at a Castleton Lyons reception in April since 2006, but the 2021 announcement was by necessity moved back to November and was conducted remotely for the first time, via Zoom conference. A similar format is expected this year with a tentative target date of late April.

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STEWARDS TO PROVIDE TELEVISED EXPLANATIONS FOR DECISIONS AT INDIANA GRAND

Indiana Grand Racing and Casino has implemented a new audio and visual system for the track's stewards which will allow Senior State Steward Eric Smith to provide a live, televised explanation from the steward's room on how officials made their decision during an infraction.

"We feel providing an explanation directly from the stewards is a great way to inform fans watching and wagering on our product," said Eric Halstrom, Indiana Grand's vice President and general manager of racing. "They will now be able explain how they came to a conclusion on a specific ruling and give insight on the information they reviewed and gathered from the jockeys involved in the incident."

Indiana Grand also announced Thursday it will be using a drone to offer enhanced camera angles for television production of its upcoming Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse meets.

"Our team has been challenged to take Caesars' racing to the forefront in technology and a drone is one step in doing so," said Halstrom. "As we began to pull this new concept in, we started realizing how this drone could really showcase our racing

program and set our TV production apart from others. It's important to note we do not plan on changing the way people watch our races but rather complement our current production with innovative views that nobody else is offering in their daily broadcasts. Lastly, we also view this as a potential way to assist the stewards in reviewing races, especially in areas where current camera angles are more difficult than others to see the full action of a race"

The Matrice 200 Drone, which is a little less than three feet in width and stands 16 inches high, is capable of zoom options with adjustable speed and is programmable from location to location. Operators are required to be licensed with the Federal Aviation Administration with a Remote Pilot Certificate. Three of Indiana Grand's audio-visual department team members recently completed training and are now licensed to fly the drone.

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MAKER'S MARK MILE S.-GI, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Get Smokin	Get Stormy	Mary Abeel Sullivan Revocable Trust	Bush	Alvarado	120
2	Hit the Road 🌿	More Than Ready	D K Racing, LLC, Radley Equine, Inc., Taste of Victory Stables, Gold, Rick, Maslowski, Tony E. and Odmark, Dave	Blacker	Geroux	123
3	Somelikeithotbrown	Big Brown	Skychai Racing LLC and Sand Dollar Stable LLC	Maker	Velazquez	118
4	Sacred Life (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables and Bethlehem Stables LLC	Brown	Castellano	118
5	Darain (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Qatar Racing Limited and Watership Down Stud	Cox	Saez	118
6	Ride a Comet 🌿	Candy Ride (Arg)	Oxley, John C. and My Meadowview Farm LLC	Casse	Gaffalione	118
7	Flying Scotsman	English Channel	Calumet Farm	Sisterson	Lanerie	118
8	Raging Bull (Fr)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
9	Field Pass	Lemon Drop Kid	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Rosario	118

Breeders: 1-Hurstland Farm, Inc. & James Greene Jr., 2-Fred W. Hertrich III, 3-Hot Pink Stables & Sand Dollar Stables, 4-Mr. Viktor Timoshenko & Mr. AndriyMilovanov, 5-Watership Down Stud, 6-My Meadowview LLC, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Dayton Investments Limited, 9-Mark Brown Grier

Saturday, Oaklawn, post time: 7:41 p.m. EDT

ARKANSAS DERBY-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Super Stock 🌿	Dialed In	Woolsey, Erv and Asmussen, Keith	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	122
2	Caddo River	Hard Spun	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Cox	Geroux	122
3	Hozier	Pioneerof the Nile	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC and Masterson, Robert E.	Baffert	Garcia	118
4	Get Her Number	Dialed In	Gary Barber	Miller	Arrieta	122
5	Concert Tour	Street Sense	West, Gary and West, Mary	Baffert	Rosario	122
6	Last Samurai 🌿	Malibu Moon	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Stewart	Court	118

Breeders: 1-Pedro Gonzalez & P. J. Gonzalez, 2-Shortleaf Stable, 3-WinStar Farm, LLC, 4-Philip Robertson & Brenda Robertson, 5-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 6-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC

Saturday, Oaklawn, post time: 7:05 p.m. EDT

COUNT FLEET SPRINT H.-GIII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	No Parole 🌿	Violence	Moss, Maggi and Tramontin, Greg	Amoss	Vazquez	118
2	Whitmore	Pleasantly Perfect	LaPenta, Robert V., Southern Springs Stables and Head of Plains Partners LLC	Moquett	Santana, Jr.	123
3	Mojo Man	Stay Thirsty	Dash C. Goff	DiVito	Arrieta	116
4	Strike Power 🌿	Speightstown	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Rosario	117
5	Empire of Gold	Goldencents	Evans, Johnny B. and Eoff, Terry	Eoff	Cabrera	117
6	C Z Rocket	City Zip	Madaket Stables LLC, Barber, Gary & Kagele, Tom	Miller	Geroux	122
7	Mr. Jagermeister	Atta Boy Roy	Boice, Kristin, Cummings, Leslie and Lund, Valorie	Lund	Bowen	116

Breeders: 1-Coteau Grove Farms, 2-John Liviakis, 3-Rose Hill Farm, 4-Courtlandt Farm, 5-W C Racing, 6-Farm III Enterprises LLC, 7-Kristin Boice

Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 6:03 p.m. EDT**COOLMORE JENNY WILEY S.-GI, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Micheline	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Saez	118
2	Tamahere (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Swift Thoroughbreds, Inc., Madaket Stables LLC and Wonder Stables	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Juliet Foxtrot (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Juddmonte Farms	Cox	Gaffalione	118
4	Etoile (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Brant, Peter M., Magnier, Mrs. M. V. and Shanahan, Mrs. Paul	Brown	Castellano	120
5	Maxim Rate 🌿	Exchange Rate	Slam Dunk Racing and Branham, James D.	Callaghan	Rispoli	118
6	La Signare (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Madaket Stables LLC, Cambron, Tim, Cambron, Anna and Bradley Thoroughbreds	Walsh	Velazquez	118

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-E.A.R.L. Elevage Du Sarai, 3-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 4-Dominique Ades Hazan, GeraldineHenochsberg & Patrick Fellous, 5-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 6-Moussa Mbacke

Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT**STONESTREET LEXINGTON S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Noble Reflection 🌿	Liam's Map	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey	Baltas	Castellano	118
2	Swiftsure 🌿	Uncle Mo	Siena Farms, LLC and Asmussenequine.com	Asmussen	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Bezoz 🌿	Empire Maker	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC and Masterson, Robert E.	Baffert	Van Dyke	118
4	It's My House	Anthony's Cross	Gans, Doug, Jacobs, Gary, Katz, Larry M. and Riggs, Kevin	Hess, Jr.	Rispoli	118
5	Unbridled Honor	Honor Code	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Leparoux	118
6	Hockey Dad	Nyquist	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	118
7	Proxy	Tapit	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Velazquez	118
8	Ultimate Badger 🌿	Commissioner	Bakke, Jim and Isbister, Gerald	Romans	Lanerie	118
9	King Fury	Curlin	Fern Circle Stables & Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	McPeck	Hernandez, Jr.	118
10	Starrininmydreams	Super Saver	Stewart Racing Stable and WinStar Farm LLC	Stewart	Saez	118

Breeders: 1-G. Watts Humphrey Jr., 2-Siena Farms LLC, 3-Grousemont Farm, 4-Bryan Keith OSteen & Caryl Carlisle OSteen, 5-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 6-Reddam Racing, LLC, 7-Godolphin, 8-Erv Woolsey & Ralph Kinder, 9-Heider Family Stables, LLC, 10-Dallas Stewart & WinStar Farm, LLC

Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 4:24 p.m. EDT**BEN ALI S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Beau Luminarie	I Want Revenge	Linda S. Pavey	Brisset	Saez	118
2	Treasure Trove 🌿	Tapizar	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Gaffalione	118
3	Night Ops	Warrior's Reward	Steve Landers Racing LLC	Cox	Castellano	118
4	Sprawl	City Zip	Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.	Drury, Jr.	Hernandez, Jr.	118
5	Silver Dust 🌿	Tapit	Tom R. Durant	Calhoun	Beschizza	118

Breeders: 1-Linda S. Pavey, 2-John Fradkin & Diane Fradkin, 3-Aschinger Bloodstock Holdings, LLC, 4-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 5-Don Alberto Corporation



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1	Ghostzapper (2000) by Awesome Again	6	7	2	4	1	1	115	38	7,320,000	9,147,273
	FYR: 2007 Crops: 13 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$85,000 Mystic Guide										
2	Speightstown (1998) by Gone West	5	14	4	8	--	1	149	43	3,500,000	6,625,007
	FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$90,000 Charlatan										
3	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday	16	30	7	14	1	3	249	80	270,000	6,164,366
	FYR: 2010 Crops: 10 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$225,000 Mandaloun										
4	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by El Prado (Ire)	5	8	4	5	1	2	129	36	1,779,897	4,964,715
	FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$150,000 Golden Sixty (Aus)										
5	Tapit (2001) by Pulpit	5	13	3	6	--	1	148	45	930,000	4,775,390
	FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$185,000 Essential Quality										
6	Paynter (2009) by Awesome Again	2	5	1	2	1	1	130	50	3,240,000	4,764,225
	FYR: 2015 Crops: 5 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$7,500 Knicks Go										
7	Curlin (2004) by Smart Strike	7	17	5	11	3	3	159	45	467,100	3,768,109
	FYR: 2010 Crops: 10 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$175,000 Known Agenda										
8	American Pharoah (2012) by Pioneerof the Nile	5	8	2	4	1	2	119	27	979,239	2,965,160
	FYR: 2017 Crops: 3 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$100,000 Cafe Pharoah										
9	I'll Have Another (2009) by Flower Alley	1	2	--	1	--	--	162	37	303,847	2,890,504
	FYR: 2014 Crops: 6 Stands: Ocean Breeze Ranch CA Fee: \$10,000 Meiner Yukitsubaki (Jpn)										
10	Hard Spun (2004) by Danzig	4	8	1	5	--	--	179	55	390,000	2,864,849
	FYR: 2009 Crops: 11 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$35,000 Silver State										
11	Street Sense (2004) by Street Cry (Ire)	6	8	3	4	--	1	149	39	756,600	2,837,880
	FYR: 2009 Crops: 11 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$60,000 Concert Tour										
12	Munnings (2006) by Speightstown	5	13	1	5	1	1	164	57	300,000	2,666,775
	FYR: 2012 Crops: 8 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$40,000 Kimari										
13	Constitution (2011) by Tapit	3	10	1	6	--	2	119	39	314,000	2,449,261
	FYR: 2017 Crops: 3 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$85,000 Independence Hall										
14	Candy Ride (Arg) (1999) by Ride the Rails	6	7	5	6	1	1	121	43	546,600	2,444,400
	FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$75,000 Rock Your World										
15	The Factor (2008) by War Front	3	5	3	4	--	--	171	55	300,000	2,345,842
	FYR: 2014 Crops: 6 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$17,500 Charmaine's Mia										

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FASTNET FILLY FLIES TO 'TDN RISING STAR'- DOM AT THE BIG A *by Alan Carasso*



Star Devine as a yearling | *Tattersalls photo*

Dispatched at debut odds of 9-1 in Thursday's fourth race from Aqueduct, Lawrence Goichman's **Star Devine (Ire)** (**Fastnet Rock {Aus}**) gave her rivals a bit of a head start after hopping slightly at the break, but she was handled perfectly thereafter by Trevor McCarthy and stormed home down the center of the track to graduate in sharp time to become a new **'TDN Rising Star.'**

Spotting the field a couple of lengths after that slow beginning, Star Devine--a 200,000gns purchase by Mike Ryan out of the 2019 Tattersalls October Sale--Book 1--was allowed to find her feet and settled last but one as the leaders went a good gallop up front. Tracking favored **Dovima (Union Rags)** through in about the three path on the turn, she was steered out decisively to the grandstand side as they hit the top of the lane and she sprinted her final two furlongs in a slick :22.53 (per Trakus data) to take it by 1 1/2 lengths.

Star Devine is the second foal for her dam, who was purchased by Mick Flanagan for 350,000gns in foal to **Mastercraftsman (Ire)** at the 2016 Tattersalls December Mares sale. Stars At Night is a half-sister to 2011 G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas and G1 Darley Yorkshire Oaks winner Blue Bunting (Dynaformer) and a full-sister to MGSP Exemplar (Ire). Star Devine has a 2-year-old full-brother named Poker Face (Ire) and a yearling full-sister. Star Devine is bred on the exact same cross responsible for GI Man o' War S. heroine Zhukova (Ire), G1 Investec Oaks winner Qualify (Ire), G1 Moyglare Stud S. victress Intricately (Ire) and Australian Group 1 winners Personal (Aus), Age of Fire (Aus) and Magicool (Aus).

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4th-Aqueduct, \$80,000, Msw, 4-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:07.83, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

STAR DEVINE (IRE), f, 3, by **Fastnet Rock (Aus)**

1st Dam: **Stars At Night (Ire)**, by **Galileo (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Miarixa (Fr)**, by **Linamix (Fr)**

3rd Dam: **Mrs Arkada (Fr)**, by **Akarad (Fr)**

Sales history: 200,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$44,000.

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FRIDAY'S INSIGHTS: 'RISING STAR' RETURNS AT KEENELAND *by Alan Carasso*

6th-Keeneland, \$83K, AOC, 4/up, f/m, 8.5f, post time: 3:51 p.m. ET

Robert and Lawana Low's current crop of 4-year-olds includes leading U.S. turf horse Colonel Liam (**Liam's Map**) and **'TDN Rising Star'** **SPICE IS NICE (Curlin)**, who dips down into allowance company for her seasonal debut. An impressive 12-length maiden winner at first asking last January, she was runner-up in the GII Davona Dale S., but only fifth to Swiss Skydiver (**Daredevil**) in the GII Gulfstream Park Oaks. An easy Belmont allowance winner last July, the \$1.05-million Keeneland September yearling and daughter of GISW Dame Dorothy (**Bernardini**) makes her first start since a sixth in the GI Alabama S. at Saratoga Aug. 15. **TJCIS PPs**

Pricey Into Mischief Colt Gets Going at Aqueduct...

1st-Aqueduct, \$80K, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, post time: 1:20 p.m. ET

ABSOLUTE COURAGE (Into Mischief) was the most expensive of 17 of his all-conquering stallion's offspring to sell as foals in 2018 when fetching \$500,000 at KEENOV (the second-priciest was future **'TDN Rising Star'** and GSW Mutasaabeq at

\$425,000). The half-brother to MSP Thanks Mr. Eidson (**More Than Ready**) found himself back in the Keeneland sales pavilion 10 months later, hammering for \$800,000 to the bid of Courtlandt Farms. The Jan. 28 foal is out of an unraced daughter of GSW Profit Column (Private Account), the dam of GSW/GISP Final Round (Storm Cat) and SW Countess **Curlin** (**Curlin**). Similarly, **Supply and Demand** (**Exaggerator**) was the most expensive weanling from the first crop of his Classic-winning stallion, selling for \$230,000 at KEENOV in 2018. The gelding is out of a full-sister to MGSW/GISP Redeemed (**Include**). **TJCS PPs**

Lothenbach Firster Looks Live in Keeneland Finale...

Owner Robert Lothenbach bought a dozen horses at the 2019 Keeneland September sale for \$3,235,000, and **FINE COTTON** (**Curlin**) looks to repay some of his \$450,000 investment in the Friday finale in Lexington. The May 1 foal is out of the unraced Carolina Cotton (Majesticperfection), who was purchased by Woodford Thoroughbreds for \$370,000 with this filly in utero at KEENOV in 2017. Majesticperfection is the sire of Lothenbach's GISW Bell's the One. Fine Cotton's second dam includes Whatdreamsmadeof (Graeme Hall), the Grade II-placed dam of MGSW Curalina (**Curlin**). **TJCS PPs**

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Friday, Keeneland, post time: 4:24 p.m. ET

LIMESTONE TURF SPRINT, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Inajiffy	Street Boss	G Saez	Sharp	15-1
2	Threatlevelmidnite (GB)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Bejarano	West	50-1
3	Carimba	Kantharos	Ortiz Jr	Ward	8-1
4	Salvaje	Kantharos	Hernandez	DeVaux	30-1
5	Igloo	Mshawish	Rispoli	Thomas	30-1

6	New Boss	Street Boss	Beschizza	Calhoun	6-1
7	Tobys Heart	Jack Milton	Castellano	Lynch	6-1
8	Campanelle (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Rosario	Ward	8-5
9	Goin' Good	Congrats	Geroux	Cox	8-1
10	Alda	Munnings	Velazquez	Motion	6-1
11	Nimbostratus (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	L Saez	Miller	8-1
12	Phantom Vision	Declaration of War	Gaffalione	Maker	30-1
13	Navratilova	Medaglia d'Oro	Leparoux	Arnold	30-1



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Oaklawn, \$105,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.71, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

CANDURA (m, 5, **Into Mischief--Halloween Candy**, by **Candy Ride** {**Arg**}) hadn't faced the starter since a pair of efforts on



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grass as a juvenile, winning first up sprinting on the Del Mar lawn and finishing last of six in the 2018 Surfer Girl S. at Santa Anita that fall. Trying dirt for the first time off the lengthy layoff with some sharp, local five-furlong drills on display, the 7-1 chance was in the early mix after exiting from her rail draw, snuck up the inside to get her head in front rounding the far turn and drew clear in the stretch to win impressively by 3 1/2 lengths over Break Curfew (**Into Mischief**). Halloween Candy's most recent produce is the unraced 3-year-old filly Too Much Kandy (**Kantharos**). Sales history: \$240,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$99,345. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**

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 **LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE** 

8th-Keeneland, \$83,000, Alw, 4-8, (NW2\$X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.04, gd, 1 1/4 lengths.

FIGHTING SEABEE (c, 4, Summer Front--Broke N Dixie, by Broken Vow), front-running winner of the GIII With Anticipation S. at two, missed by a neck in a local allowance Oct. 22, and though he was last of 14 in the Nov. 6 Bryan Station S., he was beaten under four lengths. Fourth in a sloppy Churchill allowance Nov. 25, the bay was a tough-trip ninth to Colonel Liam (**Liam's Map**) in the Dec. 26 Tropical Park Derby at Gulfstream. Alertly away, the 18-1 gamble showed enough speed to secure the box seat and raced on the back of pacesetting Invader (**War Front**) for the opening 6 1/2 furlongs. Taking advantage of a rails run when the front-runner drifted out into the lane, Fighting Seabee challenged at the fence a furlong from home and boxed on courageously to score by 1 1/4 lengths. French SW & GSP Ocean Atlantique (**American Pharoah**) could not capitalize on a good trip and settled for fifth in his U.S. debut. Fighting Seabee is the lone listed produce for his dam, a daughter of SW Blushing Dixie (Dixie Union). Sales history: \$105,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: GSW, 10-3-2-0, \$215,015. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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7th-Keeneland, \$81,000, Alw (NW1X), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:49, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

PROMISE KEEPER (c, 3, Constitution--Mira Alta, by Curlin) faded to be fourth to next-out GIII Sam F. Davis S. winner Candy Man Rocket (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) on Gulfstream debut Jan. 9 before graduating over that track's one-turn mile Feb. 6. He failed to land a blow from a high draw at odds of 4-1 in the

GII Tampa Bay Derby Mar. 6, but was a warm item on this return to allowance company. Slowly into stride from the one hole, the \$160,000 KEESEP yearling saved ground from fourth and was angled out for a three-path run around the turn. He came calling for the lead in upper stretch and kicked home to score by 5 1/2 lengths as the even-money chalk. A half-brother to War Stopper (Declaration of War), GSP, \$108,470; and Wicked Awesome (Awesome Again), SW & GSP, \$294,460, Promise Keeper is out of a half-sister to Great Hunter (Aptitude), winner of the GI Breeders' Futurity at this venue in 2006; and Aspen Light (**Bernardini**), the dam of MGSW/MGISP Owendale (**Into Mischief**). Mira Alta is the dam of a 2-year-old Shanghai Bobby filly, a yearling filly by **Honor Code** and is due to **Mastery**. Sales history: \$160,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$74,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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4th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, Alw (NW1\$X), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 4-8, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:34.25, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

POR QUE NO (f, 3, Wicked Strong--Cryptic Message {MSW & GSP, \$533,677}, by Cryptograph) entered riding a three-race winning streak over the Gulfstream lawn, albeit versus cheaper company, graduating for a \$35,000 tag Jan. 15, then adding starter optional claimers Feb. 11 and Mar. 17, respectively. The rail-drawn 9-5 chance broke on top here and made every pole a winning one, scoring by 1 1/2 lengths over favored Honey Pants (**Cairo Prince**). The winner's dam, a \$140,000 KEENOV purchase by Spendthrift in 2015, is also responsible for an **Into Mischief** filly of 2019 (brought A\$100,000 from O'Brien Thoroughbreds at last month's Inglis Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale) and an Overshare (Aus) colt of 2020. Sales history: \$2,500 Ylg '19 OBSWIN; \$25,000 Ylg '19 OBSOCT; \$25,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-0, \$82,540. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by **TVG**.

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6th-Keeneland, \$78,917, Msw, 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.44, gd, 4 lengths.

AVENUE (c, 3, Quality Road--Magic Union {GSP, \$217,566}, by Dixie Union), made two previous starts going 1 1/16 miles over the Gulfstream lawn, running well to finish second after showing speed on debut Jan. 30, then came from far back to finish fifth Feb. 28. Getting some additional distance to work with here, the 4-1 shot sat a stalking trip on the inside in third, shifted outside of the dueling leaders approaching the five-sixteenths and punched home nicely en route to a four-length tally over **Freddy Flintshire (Flintshire {GB})**. Avenue, a \$450,000 KEESEP graduate, is a half-brother to Tizamagician (Tiznow), MGSP, \$227,851. Magic Union's most recent produce is a 2-year-old **Into Mischief** colt purchased by bloodstock agent Mike Ryan at last year's Fasig-Tipton Selected Yearlings Showcase. Sales history: \$450,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$55,800. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by **TVG**.

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2nd-Keeneland, \$55,240, Msw, 4-8, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.04, ft, 1 length.

SHESGOTATTITUDE (f, 2, Tiznow--Mackenzie Capri, by Eskendereya) was allowed to drift up to 21-5--better than twice her morning line--in the face of the heavily backed Wesley Ward 3-5 firster Twilight Gleaming (Ire) (National Defense {GB}) and ran to some eye-popping morning trials to provide trainer John Ennis with his second debut winner of the meet. Exiting a bullet three-furlong blowout in :34 flat (1/32) over this main track Mar. 30, the bay filly hit the ground running and showed the way exiting the chute through an opening quarter-mile in :22.41. She cut the corner into the stretch and responded gamely through the final 50 yards to score by a length. Twilight Gleaming, the first runner for her Irish National Stud-based stallion, was slowly into stride, raced three wide around the turn, loomed with every chance at the furlong pole and could not sustain a winning bid. James Graham was in the irons for Ennis, the same team responsible for the good-looking debut winner **Bohemian Frost (Frosted)** on opening day Apr. 2. The winner's dam, a half-sister to SW & GSP '**TDN Rising Star'** **Telekinesis (Ghostzapper)**, was acquired with this filly in utero for \$85,000 at the 2018 Keeneland November sale. Shesgotattitude's third dam was MGSW/MGISP Gold Mover (Gold Fever), whose SW daughter Giant Mover (Giant's Causeway) produced GSW & GISP Family Tree (Smart Strike) and GSW Liora (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), runner-up in the 2019 GI Kentucky Oaks. Mackenzie Capri is the dam of a yearling colt by **Kantharos** and was most recently covered by **The Factor**. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by **TVG**.

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6th-Delta Downs, \$42,520, Msw, 4-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :58.77, ft, 10 3/4 lengths.

OVA CHARGED (f, 3, Star Guitar--Charged Cotton {SW, \$162,741}, by Dehere) was pounded into 9-5 favoritism to open her account at first asking and made no mistakes. Ridden away from gate seven by Joel Dominguez, the homebred covered the first quarter-mile in a fast :22.15, widened on the turn and sprinted clear to take it by 10 3/4 lengths. Evelyn Benoit's operation acquired Ova Charged's stakes-winning dam for \$150,000 at KEENOV in 2015 and the filly the mare was carrying at the time became the stakes-placed Sethamee Street (**Street Sense**). Ova Charged has a 2-year-old full-sister, a yearling full-brother and visited Star Guitar again last season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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3rd-Penn National, \$27,696, Msw, 4-7, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04.65, ft, 2 lengths.

CATCHING THE WIND (f, 3, Justin Phillip--Catch My Fancy {MSW, \$147,676}, by Yes It's True) was part of the favored entry at 17-10 off a good-looking Parx worktab and poked through to lead them up after a sixteenth of a mile. Entrymate Onthisharvestmoon (**Malibu Moon**) drew in off the also-eligible list and gave chase throughout, but could never run down Catching the Wind, who prevailed by two lengths despite never switching her leads in the stretch. The winner is not only a half to Dubini (Gio Ponti), SW & GSP, \$381,102; and a full-sister to What a Catch, SW, \$236,587, but is also a half to Catch the Moon (**Malibu Moon**), the dam of GISW Girvin (**Tale of Ekati**);

and GSWs Coked and Loaded (Colonel John), Pirate's Punch (Shanghai Bobby) and current Triple Crown participant Midnight Bourbon (Tiznow). Catch My Fancy has a 2-year-old filly named Cancel This (**Malibu Moon**), a yearling colt by **Dialed In** and is due to **Omaha Beach**. Sales history: \$40,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,260. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Pewter Stable; B-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY); T-Kathleen A Demasi.



IN DUBAI:

Rare Ninja, c, 3, Distorted Humor--Tap The Magic, by Tapit.

Meydan, 4-8, Cond, 3yo, 1900m. B-Fred W Hertich III & John D Fielding (KY). *\$20,000 yrl '19 KEESEP. **Won by 4 3/4 lengths. **VIDEO**



In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners (and, in today's case, by a US-based shuttle stallion) entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this weekend running at Nakayama, Niigata and Hanshin Racecourse. The second of those venues hosts the first of this year's fillies' Classics, the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas), featuring champion Sodashi (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}):

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3rd-HSN, ¥9,680,000 (\$89k), Maiden, 3yo, 2000m

SUZUKA PHAROAH (AUS) (c, 2, American Pharoah--Berrimilla {Aus} by Fastnet Rock {Aus}) spots his Northern Hemisphere-bred opponents a significant amount of maturity, but, in broad terms, Australian imports typically hold their own at this level. An A\$120K purchase out of the 2020 Inglis Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale, the Sept. 18 foal is a maternal grandson of the

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stakes-placed Purrfection (NZ) (**Tale of the Cat**), resulting in Storm Cat inbreeding that has proved successful with this successful young sire. The colt's third dam is responsible for G1 New Zealand Oaks winner and G1 Australian Oaks runner-up Boundless (NZ) (Van Nistelrooy). *B-Dr DJ O'Brien (Qld)*



Suzuka Pharoah as a yearling | *Inglis photo*

6th-NII, ¥9,680,000 (\$89k), Maiden, 3yo, 1800mT
HIROSHIGE SAPPHERE (JPN) (f, 3, **Medaglia d'Oro--Al's Gal, by **English Channel**)** is the first produce for her dam, a \$35K Mike Maker claim turned Grade I winner of the 2016 E.P. Taylor S. ([video](#)). Sold for \$800K at Fasig-Tipton November a few weeks later, she remained in training into early 2017, but was retired, was covered by this sire and fetched \$950K at Keeneland November that fall. Among the competition Sunday is Ho O Margaux (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), a once-raced (third) daughter of GI Ballerina S. winner Haveyougoneaway ([Congrats](#)). *B-Shigeki Nishikawa*

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California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit), Arrow Stud, private
 196 foals of racing age/22 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 7f, Classy Chrome, 6-1
 \$52,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Declan's Warrior (Majestic Warrior), O'Sullivan Farms, \$1,000
 9 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 5-Charles Town, Msw 7f, Catfish, 12-1

Exaggerator (Curlin), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
 249 foals of racing age/28 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, Overexaggerate, 10-1
 \$45,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 OBS APR 2yo
 1-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, Supply and Demand, 5-2
 \$230,000 KEE NOV wnl

Frosted (Tapit), Darley, \$25,000
 238 foals of racing age/26 winners/2 black-type winners
 10-Keeneland, Msw 7f, Frozay All Day, 15-1
 \$75,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mosler (War Front), Country Life Farm, \$4,000
 112 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners
 9-Laurel, Wmc 6f, Mr. Mosley, 10-1
 \$20,000 EAS OCT yrl
 9-Laurel, Wmc 6f, **Mosler** Safe, 8-1
 \$22,000 EAS DEC wnl; \$45,000 FTK JUL yrl
 4-Laurel, Alw 7f, Wicked Prankster, 20-1
 \$5,000 KEE NOV wnl

Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro), Taylor Made Farm, \$7,500
 133 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 7f, Dannyhill, 15-1
 \$17,000 KEE SEP yrl
 7-Keeneland, \$100K TVG Limestone Turf Sprint S., 5 1/2fT, Igloo, 30-1
 \$9,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$40,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Not This Time (Giant's Causeway), Taylor Made Farm, \$40,000
 204 foals of racing age/37 winners/5 black-type winners
 1-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, Dazzle Time, 9-5
 \$150,000 KEE SEP yrl
 2-Keeneland, Msw 1m, Maybe Later, 4-1
 \$57,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

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Nyquist (Uncle Mo), Darley, \$75,000
 214 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners
 9-Oaklawn, Aoc 1 1/16m, Willful Woman, 7-2
 \$400,000 FTS AUG yrl

Speightster (Speightstown), WinStar Farm, \$10,000
 228 foals of racing age/28 winners/2 black-type winners
 5-Keeneland, Alw 1 1/16mT, Fabricate, 12-1
 \$75,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
 7-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 1mT, Nerves of Steel, 9-5
 \$17,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$60,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Uncle Lino (Uncle Mo), Northview Stallion Station, \$4,000
 132 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, Strong Safety, 6-1

Upstart (Flatter), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
 167 foals of racing age/31 winners/1 black-type winner
 8-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 7f, Marketability, 12-1
 \$35,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$40,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

War Dancer (War Front), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$7,500
 128 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner
 5-Keeneland, Alw 1 1/16mT, Ms Wicked, 30-1
 CAN\$4,500 RNA CAN SEP yrl



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8th-Oaklawn, \$106,000, Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:42.62, ft, 6 3/4 lengths.
W W FITZY (m, 5, Well Positioned--Stormy Fitz, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: SW, 20-8-3-2, \$262,593. O-Contreras Stable Inc & Randy Wientjes; B-William P Stiritz (IL); T-Cipriano Contreras.

6th-Aqueduct, \$84,000, Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-8, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.40, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.
BIG ENGINE (h, 6, Not For Love--Lady Bi Bi {MSW, \$314,715}, by Lord Avie) Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-8-6-3, \$327,625. O-McCourt Racing; B-Tri County Stables (NY); T-Linda Rice. *\$80,000 Ylg '16 SARAUG.



3rd-Aqueduct, \$82,000, 4-8, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.10, ft, nose.
O'TROUBLE (g, 4, In Trouble--Hollow Sky, by Yes It's True) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-3, \$160,860. O/B-Timothy S. O'Toole (KY); T-Anthony W. Dutrow.

7th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, 4-8, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:07.31 (NCR), fm., 2 3/4 lengths.
GOGO SHOES (f, 4, Carpe Diem--Bell's Shoes {MSP, \$146,789}, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-2, \$107,745. O-Team Westview Stables; B-Somewhere Stables KY LLC (KY); T-Derek S Ryan. *\$70,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$25,000 3yo '20 OBSWIN.



8th-Laurel, \$53,802, 4-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:22.90, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.
QUEEN OF TOMORROW (f, 4, Bandbox--Middle Jewel, by Magna Graduate) Lifetime Record: 19-5-3-3, \$160,874. O-Robert D Bone; B-Kenneth Holt (MD); T-Claudio A Gonzalez.

6th-Laurel, \$51,435, Opt. Clm (\$28,000-\$35,000), 4-8, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:41.86, ft, head.
DINAR (h, 5, Union Rags--Internal Affair, by Orientate) Lifetime Record: SP, 14-3-1-4, \$193,562. O-AI Rashid Stables, LLC; B-Royal Oak Farm (KY); T-Jamie Ness. *\$80,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$145,000 RNA 2yo '18 FTFMAR; \$90,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN.

8th-Delta Downs, \$41,360, Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41.26, ft, nose.
SWEET BLINDNESS (m, 5, Central Banker--Sleek, by Bernardini) Lifetime Record: 19-4-3-3, \$99,226. O-Andrews T and S Racing; B-Hidden Lake Farm LLC (NY); T-Gary M Scherer. *\$10,000 Wlg '16 FTNMIX; \$41,000 Ylg '17 SARAUG.



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7th-Delta Downs, \$41,000, (S), 4-8, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:21.05, ft, head.

SONG N A CAT (g, 7, Songandaprayer--Cat Eyes, by Devil His Due) Lifetime Record: 47-7-2-10, \$133,200. O-Kim C White; B-Perry Segura (LA); T-Dale White, Sr. *\$9,000 RNA Ylg '15 FTKOCT.

2nd-Delta Downs, \$41,000, (S), 4-8, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:28.40, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

HOTMOLLY (f, 3, Custom for Carlos--Hottamolly {SW, \$157,618}, by Sky Classic) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-1, \$77,300. O-Al & Bill Ulwelling; B-Clear Creek Stud LLC (LA); T-Gary M. Scherer. *\$11,000 RNA Ylg '19 ESLYRL.

6th-Penn National, \$29,120, 4-7, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.93, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

SHANGHAISCHOOL (c, 4, Shanghai Bobby--Ever Always, by Mr. Nugget) Lifetime Record: 15-2-5-3, \$79,444. O-Peter Kazamias; B-Dennis A Drazin (KY); T-Dimitrios K Synnefiyas.

3rd-Charles Town, \$28,000, 4-7, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:28.65, ft, 1/2 length.

MALIBU SPLASH (f, 4, Nicanor--Malibu Kitten, by Parker's Storm Cat) Lifetime Record: 20-5-6-3, \$117,170. O-Grams Racing Stable LLC; B-Timothy C & Judith A Grams (WV); T-Timothy C Grams. *1/2 to Moonlit Song (Fiber Sonde), MSW, \$404,840.

7th-Charles Town, \$28,000, (S), 4-7, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:21.85, ft, 3/4 length.

SEATTLE SAILAWAY (g, 4, Siente El Trueno--Breezy Arch, by Admiralty Arch) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-1, \$38,729. O/B/T-Joseph P Stehr (WV).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Wild Combo, f, 3, **Into Mischief**--Spring Fling, by Lemon Drop Kid. Oaklawn, 4-8, (C), 6f, 1:10.84. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$48,248. B-Hunter Valley Farm & Pat Barrett (KY). *\$360,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV.

Cause to Dream, f, 3, **Mineshaft**--Approach, by **Curlin**. Laurel, 4-8, (WC), 6f, 1:10.97. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$30,810. B-W. S. Farish & George Bolton (KY). *\$3,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$27,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN.

Sophie's Prayer, f, 3, **Songandaprayer**--Caroline Dehere, by Dehere. Delta Downs, 4-8, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:22.43. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$25,200. B-Riceland Racing Stables Llc (LA). *\$4,000 RNA Ylg '19 ESLYRL.

Traders Luck, g, 3, **Weigelia**--Deanies Dancer, by Lion Hearted. Penn National, 4-7, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.51. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,960. B-Elizabeth R Houghton (PA). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Cornbread Hill, g, 4, **Hard Spun**--Deanaallen'skitten (SW, \$374,246), by **Kitten's Joy**. Keeneland, 4-8, (C), 6f, 1:10.40. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,000. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Cherokee Song, f, 4, **Pioneerof the Nile**--Chicalelee, by Cherokee Run. Aqueduct, 4-8, (C), 1mT, 1:36.59. Lifetime Record: 21-1-4-3, \$101,066. B-Hunter Valley, Adrian Regan & Fergus Galvin (KY). *\$290,000 Ylg '18 KEEJAN; \$145,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$22,000 2yo '19 EASMAY.

Ribbons and Medals, g, 4, **To Honor and Serve**--Our Candy Stripper, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. Penn National, 4-7, 6f, 1:11.62. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$32,150. B-Live Oak Stud (FL).



Bandbox, Queen of Tomorrow, f, 4, o/o Middle Jewel, by Magna Graduate. ALW, 4-8, Laurel

Carpe Diem, Gogo Shoes, f, 4, o/o Bell's Shoes, by **Mineshaft**. ALW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Central Banker, Sweet Blindness, m, 5, o/o Sleek, by **Bernardini**. AOC, 4-8, Delta Downs

Constitution, Promise Keeper, c, 3, o/o Mira Alta, by **Curlin**. AOC, 4-8, Keeneland

Custom for Carlos, Hotmolly, f, 3, o/o Hottamolly, by Sky Classic. ALW, 4-8, Delta Downs

Fastnet Rock (Aus), Star Devine (Ire), f, 3, o/o Stars At Night (Ire), by **Galileo (Ire)**. MSW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Hard Spun, Cornbread Hill, g, 4, o/o Deanaallen'skitten, by **Kitten's Joy**. MCL, 4-8, Keeneland

In Trouble, O'Trouble, g, 4, o/o Hollow Sky, by Yes It's True. ALW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Into Mischief, Candura, m, 5, o/o Halloween Candy, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. AOC, 4-8, Oaklawn

Into Mischief, Wild Combo, f, 3, o/o Spring Fling, by Lemon Drop Kid. MCL, 4-8, Oaklawn

Justin Phillip, Catching the Wind, f, 3, o/o Catch My Fancy, by Yes It's True. MSW, 4-7, Penn National

Mineshaft, Cause to Dream, f, 3, o/o Approach, by **Curlin**. WMC, 4-8, Laurel

Nicanor, Malibu Splash, f, 4, o/o Malibu Kitten, by Parker's Storm Cat. ALW, 4-7, Charles Town

Not For Love, Big Engine, h, 6, o/o Lady Bi Bi, by Lord Avie. AOC, 4-8, Aqueduct

Pioneer of the Nile, Cherokee Song, f, 4, o/o Chicalee, by Cherokee Run. MCL, 4-8, Aqueduct

Quality Road, Avenue, c, 3, o/o Magic Union, by Dixie Union. MSW, 4-8, Keeneland

Shanghai Bobby, Shanghaischool, c, 4, o/o Ever Always, by Mr. Nugget. ALW, 4-7, Penn National

Siente El Trueno, Seattle Sailaway, g, 4, o/o Breezy Arch, by Admiralty Arch. ALW, 4-7, Charles Town

Songandaprayer, Song N a Cat, g, 7, o/o Cat Eyes, by Devil His Due. ALW, 4-8, Delta Downs

Songandaprayer, Sophie's Prayer, f, 3, o/o Caroline Dehere, by Dehere. MSW, 4-8, Delta Downs

Star Guitar, Ova Charged, f, 3, o/o Charged Cotton, by Dehere. MSW, 4-8, Delta Downs

Summer Front, Fighting Seabee, c, 4, o/o Broke N Dixie, by Broken Vow. ALW, 4-8, Keeneland

Tiznow, Shesgotattitude, f, 2, o/o Mackenzie Capri, by Eskendereya. MSW, 4-8, Keeneland

To Honor and Serve, Ribbons and Medals, g, 4, o/o Our Candy Striper, by Candy Ride (Arg). MSW, 4-7, Penn National

Union Rags, Dinar, h, 5, o/o Internal Affair, by Orientate. AOC, 4-8, Laurel

Weigelia, Traders Luck, g, 3, o/o Deanies Dancer, by Lion Hearted. MSW, 4-7, Penn National

Well Positioned, W W Fitzy, m, 5, o/o Stormy Fitz, by Stormy Atlantic. AOC, 4-8, Oaklawn

Wicked Strong, Por Que No, f, 3, o/o Cryptic Message, by Cryptograph. AOC, 4-8, Gulfstream

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'TDN Rising Star' Spice Is Nice (Curlin x Dame Dorothy) returns to the races Friday at Keeneland | Sarah Andrew photo



RAAJ TOO FAST IN THE DJEBEL



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Sharpened by a return fourth in the 6 1/2-furlong Listed Prix Montenica on Chantilly's Polytrack Mar. 18, **Fast Raaj (Fr)** (Iffraaj {GB}) made that fitness edge count in Thursday's G3 Prix Djebel at Deauville. Racing for a partnership between Ecurie du Parc Monceau, Haras d'Etream, Riviera Equine S.A.R.L and trainer Yann Barberot, the bay who had won here over 7 1/2 furlongs again on the Polytrack in October was anchored in a share of last off the strong early tempo alongside one of the other colts who had enjoyed an outing in 2021, Godolphin's **Pimento (GB)** (Iffraaj {GB}). While that rival moved first, Fast Raaj was delivered wide on the track by Gregory Benoist and proved to have the smarter turn of foot to gain the advantage with a furlong remaining. Pressed by the Fabre trainee all the way to the line, the 11-1 shot was always holding him to score by a neck, with the Listed Prix Zeddaan winner **Prince Lancelot (GB)** (Sir Prancealot {Ire}) faring best of the seasonal debutantes three lengths away in third. "This race was his target and I think the race he had last time left him perfect for today," Barberot said. "He had broken a shade slowly on that occasion and Gregory did not want to give him a hard race as I wanted him in great form for this. He finished very well there and so I was quite confident he would run well today."

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LORD GRIMTHORPE TO LEAVE JUDDMONTE

Lord (Teddy) Grimthorpe, who has for 22 years served as racing manager for Juddmonte, will stand down from that position after this year's Royal Ascot meeting. **Prince Khalid Abdullah**, who founded Juddmonte and began racing horses more than 40 years ago, died aged 84 on Jan. 12.

Since taking up the role in 1999, Grimthorpe has worked with 24 European trainers and overseen 3000 horses in training. Of those, 1400 won over 2400 races, including almost 100 Group 1 wins. The list of champion Grimthorpe was involved with includes Enable (GB), **Frankel (GB)**, Banks Hill (GB), Rail Link (GB), Special Duty (GB), Workforce (GB), Twice Over (GB), Middy (GB), **Oasis Dream (GB)** and **Kingman (GB)**. After Khalid Abdullah's death, Juddmonte Chief Executive Douglas Erskine Crum said the prince's family was "very committed to keeping Juddmonte as it is going."

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Chris McGrath looks at Bound for Nowhere, who wins another Shakertown S. at Keeneland. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Raaj Too Fast In The Djebel cont. from p1

“The strong rhythm in the race helped him and the jockey told me that he was more relaxed behind the gates than he is usually, so I have to be confident he can stay a mile. He’ll run next in the [G1 Poule d’Essai des] Poulains [at ParisLongchamp May 16].”

Pedigree Notes

Fast Raaj’s dam Interesting (Ire) (Raven’s Pass) was runner-up to Penny’s Picnic (Ire) (Kheleyf) in the 2012 G3 Prix Eclipse as a juvenile for the Henri-Alex Pantall stable prior to joining Tommy Albertrani with little success. Bought by Haras d’Etreham for €300,000 out of the Godolphin draft at the 2017 Arqana December Mares Sale, she has a 2-year-old filly by the Stud’s Almanzor (Fr) to come. A daughter of the G3 Prix de Cabourg scorer and G1 Prix Morny and G1 Prix de la Salamandre runner-up With Fascination (Dayjur) and granddaughter of the GI Santa Susana S., GI Hollywood Oaks and GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Fran’s Valentine (Saros {GB}), she is therefore connected to the multiple top-level-winning pair With Anticipation (Relaunch) and Mr Stunning (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}).

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Thursday, Deauville, France

PRIX DJEBEL-G3, €80,000, Deauville, 4-8, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:25.29, gd.

1--**FAST RAAJ (FR)**, 128, c, 3, by **Iffraaj (GB)**

1st Dam: Interesting (Ire) (GSP-Fr), by **Raven’s Pass**

2nd Dam: With Fascination, by **Dayjur**

3rd Dam: Fran’s Valentine, by **Saros (GB)**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Ecurie du Parc Monceau, Yann Barberot, Haras d’Etreham & Riviera Equine SARL; B-Haras d’Etreham, Riviera Equine SARL & Ecurie du Parc Monceau (FR); T-Yann Barberot; J-Gregory Benoist. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €65,660. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Pimento (GB)**, 128, c, 3, Iffraaj (GB)--Chili Dip (GB), by Alhaarth (Ire). (22,000gns Wlg ‘18 TATFOA; 115,000gns Ylg ‘19 TAOCT). O-Godolphin SNC; B-Alan Parker & New England Stud Farm Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.

3--**Prince Lancelot (GB)**, 128, c, 3, Sir Prancealot (Ire)--Rainbow Vale (Fr), by Moss Vale (Ire). (€90,000 Ylg ‘19 ARAUG). O-Antoine Gilbert & Fabrice Chappet; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm (GB); T-Fabrice Chappet. €12,000.

Margins: NK, 3, HD. Odds: 11.60, 3.10, 9.00.

Also Ran: Normandy Bridge (Fr), Crowdfunding (Fr), Go Athletic (Fr), Midlife Crisis (Fr), Esope (Fr). Scratched: Sotoro (Fr). [Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by TVG.](#)



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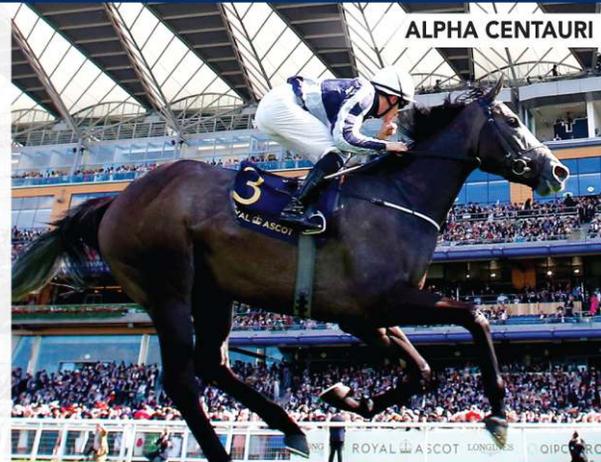
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REINA MADRE ON TOP IN THE IMPRUDENCE

There was another minor upset at Deauville on Thursday as the G3 Prix Imprudence went the way of the 18-1 shot **Reina Madre (Ire) (Kingman {GB})**. Sporting the silks of the Leopoldo Fernandez Pujals and his Yeguada Centurion operation which is set to become a familiar presence in this country, the Mauricio Delcher Sanchez trainee had last been seen finishing fourth in the Premio Gran Criterium in Madrid in October and entered this Classic prep something of an enigma. Settled with two behind early by Christophe Soumillon, the bay who was also runner-up in the Listed Grand Criterium de Bordeaux in early October stayed on strongly to reel in **Sky Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire})** in the last 50 metres for a short-neck success, with **Louliana (Ire) (Acclamation {GB})** 1 1/2 lengths behind in third. “She was a very useful 2-year-old last year and had run a very good race in Bordeaux, but maybe she was a little bit gone in her last race in Madrid,” Delcher Sanchez commented of the bay, who was under the care of Alvaro Soto Loring in 2020. “She’s been with me for only three months and I could appreciate the quality in her morning work--she is definitely a very nice filly and everyone can see she hasn’t quite blossomed yet, which leads me to think there is room for improvement. It’ll most probably be the [G1 Poule d’Essai des] Pouliches [at ParisLongchamp May 16] next.”

Pedigree Notes

Reina Madre, who was bred by Paddy Burns of Loughtown Stud and was the €350,000 topper of the 2018 Goffs November Foal Sale as Pujals flexed his financial muscle, is out of the Fittocks Stud-bred Splashdown (GB) (Falbrav {Ire}), who captured the Listed Ballymacoll Stud Lord Weinstock Memorial S. and was also responsible for the G3 Solario S. winner and G2 Superlative S. runner-up Aktabantay (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**). A half-sister to three other stakes performers headed by the Listed Height of Fashion S. winner Cosmodrome (Bahri), she is a relative of the remarkable Bosra Sham (Woodman) and Hector Protector and the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere-winning sire Ultra (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}). Her 2020 filly is by **Oasis Dream (GB)**.

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Thursday, Deauville, France

PRIX IMPRUDENCE-G3, €80,000, Deauville, 4-8, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:25.12, gd.

1--**REINA MADRE (IRE), 126, f, 3, by Kingman (GB)**

1st Dam: **Splashdown (GB) (SW-Eng), by Falbrav (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Space Time (Fr), by Bering (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Space Ritual (Ire), by Top Ville (Ire)**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. (€350,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV). O-Yeguada Centurion SLU; B-P Burns (IRE); T-Mauricio Delcher Sanchez; J-Christophe Soumillon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €63,560. *1/2 to Aktabantay (GB) (**Oasis Dream (GB)**), GSW-Eng, \$383,617. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

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2--**Sky Angel (Ire), 126, f, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Mayhem (Ire), by Whipper.** (€800,000 Ylg '19 ARAUG). O-Godolphin SNC; B-C-Squared Investments (IRE); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. €16,000.

3--**Louliana (Ire), 126, f, 3, Acclamation (GB)--Rosie's Premiere (Ire), by Showcasing (GB).** (€44,000 Ylg '19 AROCT; £80,000 2yo '20 GOFJUL). O-Mbaya Niang SNC & Scuderia Il Fino; B-Haras du Mezeray SA (IRE); T-Frederic Rossi. €12,000.

MAB Purchased by MAB Agency (M-A Berghgracht)

Margins: SNK, 1HF, SHD. Odds: 17.90, 7.20, 1.90.

Also Ran: See The Rose (Ire), Kennella (Fr), Livachope (Fr), Cassiopea (Fr), Belcarra (Ire). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by TVG.**

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EUROPEAN NEWS

Lord Grimthorpe To Leave Juddmonte cont. from p1

Grimthorpe, who currently serves as deputy senior steward of The Jockey Club and is on the York Racecourse board after nine years as chairman there, said, "I have always felt that the time for me to stand down from Juddmonte would be when Prince Khalid was no longer involved. It has been a huge privilege to work for the Prince and his family, and with the outstanding Juddmonte team, which has been so successful for so long. Of course I am sad to leave, but, with the Prince's death two months ago and over 20 years as his racing manager, now is the right time.

"I leave an organisation in great shape which is supreme at what it does, and I have no doubt Juddmonte will continue to thrive and produce top-class homebred Thoroughbred horses competing at the highest level on racecourses across the world."

Prior to his appointment with Juddmonte, Grimthorpe worked for the British Bloodstock Agency for more than 20 years. He said he plans to stay involved in the Thoroughbred industry.

"I've just had the most tremendous time," he said. "It's been an absolute honour and privilege to have worked for Prince Khalid and his family. This just seemed right. I still want to remain active in the industry, and there are some things I want to pursue back in Yorkshire. Life will go on. Obviously I've given it a great deal of thought and I haven't taken the decision lightly. I've been unbelievably lucky, I really have."

Grimthorpe nominated two standouts among the many champions he has been involved with at Juddmonte.

"When Prince Khalid died and we looked back at the big moments, there were so many extraordinary horses who had won serious Group 1 races who hardly got a mention," he said.

NEW GROUP WINNER

Kingman

SIRE OF **Reina Madre**
 WINNER Prix Imprudence **Gr.3**, 7f, Deauville
 OWNER Yeguada Centurion SL
 BREEDER P Burns
 TRAINER M Delcher Sanchez

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“I think in terms of special moments, though, Frankel looms over everything. Seeing him develop, Sir Henry [Cecil] became a very close friend, as did all the Juddmonte trainers, but it was just the story around Frankel with how ill Henry was.”

“Obviously I’m biased, but the day at York with him [the Juddmonte International] was very special--it was a day a lot of people remember. Prince Khalid was there, Henry was very ill, and the crowd were beyond belief. I was waiting for Prince Khalid to arrive--and normally at York when there is a big crowd a lot of it is coaches--but this wasn’t, this was a case of people getting in their car to go and see the horse. I’ve never seen the paddock as crowded--it was like Cheltenham--and of course his performance was outstanding. People still come up to me to talk about that day.



Lord (Teddy) Grimthorpe | racingfotos.com

“Then of course, we’ve had Enable the last few years. She had the most remarkable personality, and her relationship with Frankie [Dettori] was something special too, which all added to the story.”

Erskine Crum thanked Grimthorpe for his service, saying, "On behalf of Prince Khalid's family and all of us past and present at Juddmonte, I thank Teddy for all he has done to help the organisation be at the very top of its game year after year. He will be sorely missed and we wish him the very best of good fortune for the future."

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MISHRIFF, 'GUIDE' TOP WORLD RANKINGS



Mishriff winning the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic | Horsephotos

After impressive displays during the Dubai World Cup card, **Mishriff (Ire)** (Make Believe {GB}) and **TDN Rising Star Mystic Guide (Ghostzapper)** share the top spot with a 122 ranking in the second edition of the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings for 2021. The rankings are compiled by the Longines

World's Best Racehorse Rankings Committee and published by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities (IFHA).

Mishriff, who led the rankings following his victory in the Saudi Cup, switched back to turf and won the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic next time out. Joining Mishriff at the top with a win in the G1 Dubai World Cup, Mystic Guide came into the race having won Oaklawn Park's GIII Razorback H. earlier this season.

Joining Australia's **Nature Strip (Aus)** (Nicconi {Aus}) at 121 in the co-third spot is **Eduardo (Aus)** (Host {Chi}), who is a perfect two-for-two this season. Eduardo defeated Nature Strip by a short head in the G2 Hyland Race Colours Challenge S. and then went on to win the G1 Bisley Workwear Galaxy. **TDN Rising Star Charlatan (Speightstown)**, winner of last December's GI Malibu S. at Santa Anita, is ranked in co-fifth at 120. The chestnut finished second behind Mystic Guide in the Feb. 20 G1 Saudi Cup. Also among those co-ranked in fifth at 120, **TDN Rising Star Life Is Good (Into Mischief)**, **Lord North (Ire)** who entered the top five after winning the G1 Dubai Turf and Hong Kong's 2020 Horse of the Year **Exultant (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}) and **Golden Sixty (Aus)** (**Medaglia d'Oro**), two for two in Group 1 company in Hong Kong this season. For the complete rankings, click [here](#).

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Reina Madre (Ire) (**Kingman {GB}**) winning the G3 Prix Imprudence at Deauville. The filly, bred by Paddy Burns and racing in the colours of Yeguada Centurion SL, was a €350,000 Goffs November foal. | *Scoop Dyga*



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for 3yos and upward that raced between 1st January 2021 and 4th April 2021

RANK	RATING	HORSE	TRAINED IN
1	122	Mishriff (IRE)	GB
1	122	Mystic Guide (USA)	USA
3	121	Eduardo (AUS)	AUS
3	121	Nature Strip (AUS)	AUS
5	120	Charlatan (USA)	USA
5	120	Exultant (IRE)	HK
5	120	Golden Sixty (AUS)	HK
5	120	Life Is Good (USA)	USA
5	120	Lord North (IRE)	GB



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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Friday, April 9:

UNITED KINGDOM

Profitable (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
130 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
13:00-LEICESTER, 5f, Crypto Quest (Ire)
£55,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2020

FRANCE:

Birchwood (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Huderie
58 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-FONTAINEBLEAU, 1000m, Jazzy Wood (Fr)
€4,500 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2019

Recorder (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Haras de Montfort & Preaux
108 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-FONTAINEBLEAU, 1000m, Redliner (Fr)
€8,500 Arqana Deauville February Mixed Sale 2020

Whitecliffsofdover (War Front), Haras de la Haie Neuve
57 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-FONTAINEBLEAU, 1000m, Beauty Fatale (Fr)

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DAUGHTER OF TALENT DEBUTS AT KEMPTON

3.35 Fontainebleau, Mdn, €27,000, 3yo, c/g, 9ft

NINE WEST (GB) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) debuts for the Wertheimers and Andre Fabre and is a G1 Prix du Jockey Club entered half-brother to the operation's star miler Solow (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}). Before Solow managed to bring up a sequence of five Group 1 wins, he broke his maiden in June of his 3-year-old season so time is on this homebred's side.

5.05 Fontainebleau, Mdn, €27,000, 3yo, f, 9ft

STAR GARLAND (IRE) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) is another Fabre representative of note to debut on this card, being Godolphin's daughter of the G1 1000 Guineas, G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Yorkshire Oaks heroine Blue Bunting (Dynaformer). Entered in the G1 Prix de Diane, the February-foaled bay is joined by the stable's **Love Child (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}), Lady Bamford's 700,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate who is a half-sister to the G2 Prix Niel and G2 Prix Chaudenay winner Brundtland (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and who was disappointing on her sole start at Deauville in July.

5.40 Kempton, Mdn, £5,300, 3yo, f/m, 10f 219y (AWT)

PRETTY FAIR (IRE) (Dubawi {Ire}) is a daughter of the G1 Epsom Oaks heroine Talent (GB) (New Approach {Ire}) who has already produced a classy individual by this sire in last year's G2 Prix Corrida winner and G1 Prix Jean Romanet runner-up Ambition (GB). Simon and Ed Crisford have charge of Mark Dixon and James Rowsell's homebred, who meets nine rivals on this debut.

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IRELAND

Thursday's Results:

1st-Gowran, €15,000, Mdn, 4-8, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:45.33, sf.

CREATE BELIEF (IRE) (f, 3, Awtaad {Ire}--Girl of The Hour {GB}, by Makfi {GB}), third on debut over this course and distance in October, broke well from her wide draw to stalk the leader. In front with two furlongs remaining, the 10-3 second favourite asserted to score by 2 1/4 lengths from Adelisa (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**). The dam, whose 2-year-old is a daughter of Elzaam (Aus) and who also has a yearling colt by **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**, is from the family of the G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Juddmonte International-winning European champion and sire Authorized (Ire). Sales history: €12,000 Ylg '19 TIRSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$13,322.

O-Mrs Orla Murtagh; B-Laurence Kennedy (IRE); T-Johnny Murtagh.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Gowran, €18,500, 4-8, 3yo, 8fT, 1:44.70, sf.

ERZINDJAN (IRE) (c, 3, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Eshera {Ire} {SW-Ire}, by Oratorio {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$27,537.

O-H.H. Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S.C. (IRE); T-Dermot Weld.

6th-Gowran, €12,000, 4-8, 4yo/up, 14fT, 3:09.40, sf.

STRATUM (GB) (g, 8, Dansili {GB}--Lunar Phase {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 32-7-8-2, \$466,351. O-Anthony Bloom; B-Al Asayl Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Willie Mullins.

*160,000gns HRA '16 TATAHI.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Stylistic Approach (Ire), g, 3, **Dawn Approach (Ire)**--Strapless (Ire), by Whipper. Gowran, 4-8, 8fT, 1:45.60. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$14,504. B-J. S. Bolger (IRE).



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Dual Royal Ascot winner Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) pictured with her first foal, a colt by Curlin. | Stonestreet Farm

BRITAIN

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Kehailaan (Ire), c, 3, **Gleneagles (Ire)**--Defrost My Heart (Ire) (SP-Fr, \$134,020), by Fastnet Rock (Aus). Southwell, 4-8, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:45.42. B-Fair Salina (IRE). *€75,000 Ylg '19 GOFOR.

FRANCE

Thursday's Results:

2nd-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 4-8, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:25.29, gd.
ABFAB (IRE) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Edith Wharton {Ire}, by Dubawi {Ire}), fourth in 6 1/2-furlong events here in August and last month, was off the pace in rear through halfway in this one. Taking closer order approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 49-10 chance quickened smartly to go third entering the final eighth and ran on strongly in the closing stages to assert by 3/4-of-a-length from The Promise (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}). The February-foaled homebred bay is the lone foal produced by Edith Wharton (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), herself an unraced daughter of MG1SW US champion Islington (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, €18,680. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**
 O/B-White Birch Farm (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Live (Ire), c, 3, **Outstrip (GB)**--Living Art, by Trippi. Deauville, 4-8, 7fT, 1:24.47. B-Haras d'Haspel (IRE). *€18,000 Ylg '19 ARAUG.



IN DUBAI:

Mcmanaman (Ire), c, 3, **Dark Angel (Ire)**--Seafrost (GB) (GSP-Ire), by Foxwedge (Aus). Meydan, 4-8, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1400mT. B-Yeomanstown Stud. *SP-Eng. **65,000 RNA yrl '19 GFOCT; 22,000gns HRA '20 TATOCT.

Alfareeq (Ire), g, 4, **Dark Angel (Ire)**--Urjuwaan (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). Meydan, 4-8, Cond, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 1600mT. B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd. *SP-Fr.

Mutaraffa (Ire), g, 5, **Acclamation (GB)**--Excellent View (GB), by Shamardal. Meydan, 4-8, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1200mT. B-Messrs Mark Hanly & James Hanly. *SP-UAE. **70,000gns yrl '17 TATOCT.

Good Tidings (Fr), g, 5, **Teofilo (Ire)**--Nouvelle Bonne (Fr), by Desert Style. Meydan, 4-8, Hcp, 4yo/up, 2410mT. B-David Powell. *115,000 yrl '17 ARQOCT.

Bawaasil (GB), g, 6, **Oasis Dream (GB)**--Hedaaya (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire). Meydan, 4-8, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1400mT. B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd. *1/2 to Tamadhur (Ire) (Arcano {Ire}), MGSP-Ire.

Zorion (GB), g, 7, **Smart Strike**--Zofzig, by Danzig. Meydan, 4-8, Hcp, 4yo/up, 2000mT. B-Darley. *GSP-Ire. **Full to Zip Top (Ire), G1SP-Eng.

Bochart (GB), g, 8, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Camlet (GB), by Green Desert. Meydan, 4-8, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1400m. B-Darley. *MSP-UAE. **1/2 to Cheviot (Rahy), SP-Ire.

ASIA

Thursday's Result:

MARINE CUP-Listed, ¥42,500,000, Funabashi, Japan, 4-7, 3yo/up, f/m, 1600m, 1:38.40, ylg.

1--**TEOREMA (JPN), 121, m, 5, Just a Way (Jpn)**--Stars Aligned (Ire), by Sea The Stars (Ire). **1ST STAKES WIN.** O-Yukio Mizukami; B-Kasamatsu Farm; T-Koichi Ishizaka; J-Yuga Kawada; ¥25,000,000. Lifetime Record: 18-5-5-2. *1/2 to Harmony Magellan (Jpn) (Daiwa Major {Jpn}), MSP-Jpn, \$588,736.

2--**Madras Check**, 123, m, 5, Malibu Moon--Gloat, by Mr. Greeley. (\$285,000 yrl '17 FTNAUG; \$500,000 2yo '18 FTFMAR) O-Kazuko Yoshida; B-Christine Katherine Hayden (ON); ¥8,750,000.

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3--**Salsa Dione (Jpn)**, 123, m, 7, Gold Allure (Jpn)--Salsa Queen (Jpn), by Lindo Shaver. O-Hirotaka Sugawara; B-Araya Farm; ¥5,000,000.

Margins: 2, HF, 2. Odds: 2.00, 3.00, 1.30.

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HUTCH DELIGHTED WITH INGLIS EASTER



Sebastian Hutch | Inglis

by Bren O'Brien

Inglis believes a hot Australian yearling market, highlighted by an outstanding set of results at its Easter Yearling Sale this week, could be bolstered even further in 2022 by a return of significant levels of international investment and the increased confidence of the local market.

The top-line statistics from the Easter Yearling Sale painted a picture of a yearling market in rude health and came off the back of record results at just about every other yearling sale in the country in 2021 for both Inglis and rival Magic Millions.

There were 22 \$1 million-plus lots sold in Sydney, while the average, median and aggregate were all at their highest level since the extraordinary and unprecedented Easter Sale of 2008 where Bob Ingham, Sheikh Mohammed, Nathan Tinkler and Shadwell's Angus Gold spent \$50 million between them.

But as opposed to that market, which was driven by a small number of heavily invested parties, the 2021 resurgence has been led by investment from many fronts, with 37 individual buyers spending over \$1 million, as over \$132 million was spent.

If there is an opportunity for further growth in 2022 it is in the likely return of significant international investment, as the global response to the COVID-19 pandemic gathers pace and meaningful international travel resumes.

International buyers spent \$16.21 million this week at the Riverside Stables, with \$8.43 million of that coming from New Zealand. In the most recent pre-pandemic Easter Sale in 2019, the international spend amounted to \$25.1 million, with \$7.9 million from across the Tasman.

What that amounts to, is an increase in Australian-based investment in the Easter Sale from \$98.3 million in 2019 to just short of \$116 million in 2021.

That statistic alone paints a story of a local market which has surged at almost an unbelievable rate in 2021, something that Inglis General Manager Bloodstock Sales and Marketing, Sebastian Hutch, said was far beyond what the sales company could have expected even at the start of 2021.

"I think if you'd said to us at the first of January that the Classic Sale will be up 24 per cent, the Premier Sale will be up 26 per cent and we would have had the second-highest grossing Easter of all time, and turnover in excess of \$130 million, even the most optimistic amongst us would have thought that was probably unlikely," Hutch said.

"But the fundamentals of the industry are fantastic. We have some really strong personalities in administration and the experience here is fantastic; the racing experience, people want to be involved in it."

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\$2.5 million Snitzel colt purchased by Hawkes Racing
Inglis

Positivity the Envy of the World

Hutch feels the vibrancy of the industry is driving such positive sentiment, which is in turn feeding the confidence of the local market. He says that could be a significant lure for international investment should international travel restrictions continue to lift as expected later in 2021.

"You walk around the sales complex and you will meet people from all over the world working with horses. This is where everybody wants to be. It's just such an enjoyable place to be involved," he said.

"The reality is that as soon as international travel opens up again, there will be a hell of a lot more people getting involved down here. I think the industry has a lot to be proud of in how it has conducted itself in the past 12 months and there will be people looking at this and saying they want to be part of it," he said.

"From an international perspective, the base is only going to grow."

International players with Australian operations, such as Coolmore, Tony Fung Investments, China Horse Club and the like, were among the leading buyers at Easter, fending off competition from leading local trainers like Hawkes Racing, Ciaron Maher Racing and Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott.

While competition is extremely hot for the top yearlings, Hutch said he feels that it only makes sense that other international investors will target the Australian market in the coming years. He also expects there is potential for growth locally.

"You look at it, and yes, if the next big kick is going to come, it is that international involvement. But we also need to ensure that the people who are involved in the domestic market have a positive experience," he said.

"There are a lot of great personalities involved in the sport, a lot of young people. If people enjoy their experience, then they might want to go again, they might want to get friends to come in. We have a responsibility as industry participants to make sure people have a good time."



Coolmore's Tom Magnier | Inglis

Market Bodes Well for Breeding Sales

The upcoming Inglis Chairman's Sale, to be held on Friday, May 7 at the Riverside Stables, is also set to benefit from the health of the yearling market, which has ensured investor confidence is high and breeders are well-resourced looking to restock for the 2021 breeding season.

"We've put together what is a pretty spectacular catalogue for the Chairman's Sale in a few weeks' time. The whole catalogue is made up of mares who are going to be the dams of Easter yearlings in time," Hutch said.

"On the evidence of the Easter Sale, people are going to want those kinds of mares, because yearlings out of the mares are selling for a premium, they are really popular."

The Australian Weanling Sale, to be held Thursday, May 6, is another likely beneficiary, with 2021 representing an excellent year for those who bought foals in the uncertainty of

2020 and then sold them as yearlings in a bumper 2021 market.

"There was some fantastic pinhook results through the Easter Sale and people who bought out of our Weanling Sale, as it was, last July, sold through Easter with some great results. People who also bought pregnancies out of the Australian Broodmare Sale in recent years and have sold them back through.

"It does bode well for those Sales. This sort of market does give people real confidence."

Sales Rivalry Drives Resurgence

Hutch also acknowledged that the fierce competition between Inglis and rival auction house Magic Millions has helped vendors capitalise on the market confidence in 2021.

"The fact that two auction houses are so competitive with each other and do so much to try and generate good returns for vendors and fantastic occasions for buyers and industry participants to be a part of, I think it will be unpropelled in any other part of the world. It's just great for the market," he said.

Inglis Managing Director Mark Webster gave an indication this week that the Easter catalogue could be set to expand on the size of its catalogue, which stood at 442 in 2021. Hutch said the company will be driven by whatever it thinks will work in the market and help bolster returns back to their clients.

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"If the results that we have had in the past two or three months mean we can run a better sales series, well fantastic," he said.

"Our objective is to try and give vendors as much confidence that we can, to work with us and sell with us. I think people can come away from our sales and think that the team at Inglis work hard for me as a vendor and do everything they can to get good results and they are people who I want to do business with."



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Wine and Wine, g, 4, **Snitzel**--Gold Anthem (SP-Aus), by Made of Gold (USA). Happy Valley, 4-8, Hcp. (C3) (\$252k), 1200m, 1:09.99. B-Makybe Racing & Breeding (Vic). *Formerly Aussie. **1/2 to **Starspangledbanner** (Choisir), Ch. Sprinter-Aus & Eur, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng & Ire at 5-7f, MG1SW-Aus & Eng, GSP-Ire, US\$1,967,818; and Barood (Choisir), SP-Aus, \$312,035.

VIDEO

Telecom Fighters, g, 4, **The Brothers War (USA)**--Moorings Capital, by Song Of Tara (Ire). Happy Valley, 4-8, Hcp. (C3) (\$252k), 1650m, 1:39.43. B-R J Weekes (NSW). *Formerly Cap's Boy. **VIDEO**

Massive Pocket, g, 7, **Stratum**--Sprung (USA) (GSW-Can, US\$287,145), by Grand Slam (USA). Happy Valley, 4-8, Hcp. (C2) (\$370k), 1000m, :56.47. B-M F Doyle (NSW). *Formerly Verstappen. **Full to Tawteen, SW & MGSP-Aus, \$379,960; half to Well Sprung (Star Witness), SW-Aus, \$361,150; and Connemara (**Fastnet Rock**), MGSP-Aus, \$324,325. ***\$250,000 Ylg '15 INGEAS. **VIDEO**

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