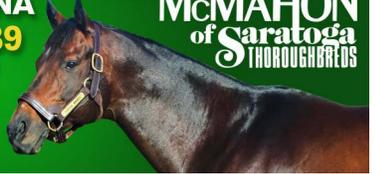


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CLASSIC EMPIRE FILLY SETS 1/4-MILE MARK AT OBS



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by Jessica Martini

The under-tack show for next week's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training continued Tuesday with a livelier track that saw six horses break the :10 flat mark and a filly by **Classic Empire** turn in the fastest quarter-mile work of the week so far. Working early in the day's first set, a chestnut filly from the first crop of the juvenile champion (hip 317) zipped her quarter-mile in :20 2/5. The juvenile is consigned by Keiber Rengifo's Golden Rock Thoroughbreds on behalf of breeders Gabriel and Aisling Duignan of Springhouse Farm.

"She worked really well today," Rengifo, who was aboard for the work, said. "She just repeated what she had been doing the last couple months at the farm where she showed a lot of talent on the dirt." **Cont. p3**

NOW 88, RON MCANALLY COULD WIN HIS FIRST DERBY...BUT AS A BREEDER

by Bill Finley

Twenty-four years after he last started a horse in the race, Ron McAnally could achieve as a breeder what he never accomplished as a trainer--win the GI Kentucky Derby. Along with his wife Deborah, McAnally is the breeder of the GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby winner **Rock Your World (Candy Ride {Arg})**, who will be among the favorites come Derby day.

It is the latest chapter in a Hall of Fame career that has included wins with superstars like John Henry, Paseana and Bayakoa and three Eclipse Awards as the nation's top trainer but has fizzled out as McAnally has tried to deal with the prejudice owners seem to have when it comes to aging trainers.

McAnally is 88 and has been a part of the Southern California circuit since 1948. He has just six horses in his stable, five of which he owns. Since 2012, the most winners he has had in any single year is seven.

"The older you get, people don't want you," he said. "They want a young trainer even if they don't have any experience. They won't choose an older trainer that has a lot of experience."

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Rengifo continued, “We weren't surprised by the time she did over here at OBS because she was working unbelievably the last couple months. The way she worked today is the way she was training the last 60 days.”

The filly is out of the unraced Tigress Tale (*Tale of the Cat*), who is a half-sister to graded winner Stays in Vegas (*City Zip*). She RNA'd for \$37,000 at Keeneland last September.

“I was one of the bidders,” Rengifo said. “I loved the way she was built, she is a nice-looking filly and I loved the way she looked at Keeneland. I bid almost \$27,000, but she didn't make it to the reserve and the breeders still own her. We were talking to Spider and Aisling and they gave me the opportunity to train her.”

Golden Rock, which has 21 juveniles consigned to the Spring

ssale, was also represented Tuesday by a pair of :10 flat workers: a filly by **Lord Nelson** (hip 368, :10 flat); and a colt by Tiznow (hip 376, :10 flat).

In addition to breeding all his own horses, Rengifo also works horses for Karl Keegan's Lucan Bloodstock, Scott Kintz's Six K's Training and Sales and Juan Centeno's All Dreams Equine.

“The track was a little bit better today than it was yesterday because of all the water from the thunder storms Sunday,” Rengifo said. “There was still a lot of water in the track Monday. I saw a lot of good horses breeding today, it's 100% a better track today. But the fast horses are still going fast. We had a :10 flat in the last set, so it was pretty consistent if you had the right horse.”

While 13 horses shared Monday's bullet furlong time of :10 flat, six broke through that mark to work the co-fastest time of :9 4/5 Tuesday.



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Among them was a filly by **Into Mischief** (hip 288) who worked in :9 4/5 for Mayberry Farm. The bay filly is out of Take Charge (**Hard Spun**), a daughter of multiple graded placed Hidden Reserve (Mr. Prospector) and a full-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Reload and a half to graded winners Philanthropist (Kris S.) and Defer (Danzig).

The juvenile was purchased for \$300,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale by Paul Manganaro, Nice Guys Stable and Steve Hornstock.

"Visually and emotionally pleasing," Manganaro said of his reaction to the bullet breeze. "She had been under the care of April Mayberry and her team and they had thought highly of her for a long time. So it was nice to see the talent we thought she had come out at the right time. I've been in this business long enough, so I know anything can happen. But it was exciting at the same time. When she crossed that finish line, it was like watching one of your siblings score the winning goal or touchdown in a sports event."



Paul Manganaro | Christina Bossinakis photo

Of the filly's appeal at last year's September sale, Manganaro said, "The head of our selection team was the legendary John Williams. So the main attraction was John liked her physically. Then obviously being by arguably the hottest stallion in the world right now in **Into Mischief** sealed the deal. And she's from a wonderful deep family."

The initial plan was for the partners to race the filly, but high praise from Mayberry convinced them to test the market.

"We bought this filly and a **Gun Runner** filly at the Keeneland sale last year without any intention of pinhooking, but April's reports were that she was a very talented filly," Manganaro said. "When we saw the demand for **Into Mischief** in the marketplace, we decided, if she can bring us there, let's test the market. She brought us to this point, so we are very happy with that."

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Manganaro, Nice Guys Stables and Hornstock do have a horse to look forward to at the racetrack in impressive maiden winner Defeater (**Union Rags**).

“We have a few horses together,” Manganaro said of the partnership. “We have a pretty nice 3-year-old colt who was with Tom Amoss named Defeater. We were just starting to get Derby fever with him and he got a slight injury, but he'll be back soon.”

A colt from the first crop of **Midnight Storm** (hip 264) also shared the co-fastest :9 4/5 furlong time for G.W. Parrish's Parrish Farms.

“He prepped really well, so I was expecting him to work well,” Parrish said of the colt.

Parrish and his wife Karen purchased the dark bay colt for \$34,000 at last year's Keeneland September Yearling Sale.

“My wife picked him out, so she was very happy,” he said with a chuckle. “He had a nice head and a nice eye. I did the bidding, but she liked him, so I kind of listened to her--happy wife, happy life.”

The juvenile is out of Summer of Joy (**Sky Mesa**), a full-sister to multiple graded placed Spectacular Sky.

Also sharing the bullet furlong time Tuesday were: a colt by **Speightstown** (hip 232, :9 4/5) consigned by Centofanti Thoroughbreds; a colt by **Cairo Prince** (hip 253, :9 4/5) consigned

by Wavertree Stables; a colt by **Twirling Candy** (hip 262, :9 4/5) consigned by Grassroots Training & Sales; and a filly by **Daredevil** (hip 395, :9 4/5) consigned by Eddie Woods.

The under-tack show continues through Saturday and commences each day at 8 a.m. The Spring sale will be held next Tuesday through Friday with bidding beginning each day at 10:30 a.m.

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But McAnally has not grown bitter. He is happy to still be training and says he enjoys every minute of it.

"I love being out here," McAnally said last year. "It put me where I am, and I tell everybody, 'If you love something you're doing, it's not a job.' People sit on the freeway five days a week and they can't wait till the weekend comes to get a couple of days off."

And in Rock Your World, he has a horse to follow and root for in this year's Triple Crown races, knowing that his fingerprints are all over this success story. He trained Rock Your World's sire, **Candy Ride** and was the owner, breeder and trainer of his dam, Charm The Maker (Empire Maker). He also trained, owned and bred the colt's second and third dam.



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Ron McAnally | *Benoit*

"I give all the credit to the mare, Charm The Maker," he said. "She has produced nothing but stakes horses and winners."

McAnally's small stable includes She's Our Charm, a 5-year-old full-sister to Rock Your World and the third-place finisher in the 2020 GIII Robert J. Frankel S. With Rock Your World, McAnally let him go through the ring at the 2019 Keeneland September sale, where he was bought for \$650,000 and is now owned by the partnership of Hronis Racing LLC and Talla Racing LLC and trained by John Sadler.

"I thought the world of this colt," McAnally said of Rock Your World. "I was in the stall with him before he sold."

Looking back, McAnally wishes the horse didn't meet his reserve, which would have meant that he would still be his owner and trainer and, most likely, on his way to Churchill Downs with a serious Derby contender.

"We didn't get to keep him. That's just the way life goes," he said.

But he's happy with the way the story turned out.

"I have no regrets," he said. "I've known John Sadler since he started off here many years ago working for a veterinarian. I've been friends with John for a long time. A couple of days after the Santa Anita Derby he came over to me at Clocker's Corner and I congratulated him and said he deserves a lot of credit because he has done a great job with this horse."

McAnally's specialty was never young colts. Most of his major wins came with older horses and grass horses, but he did win the Arkansas Derby twice when it was a Grade II race. He won it in 1990 with Silver Ending and the following year with Olympio. He's also had a pair of winners in the GI Hollywood Futurity, with Valiant Nature in 1993 and with Matty G. in 1995. Starting with Super Moment in 1980, he has run 10 horses in the Kentucky Derby, the latest being Hello (Ire) in 1997. None have finished in the top three.

The problem, he says, is that he never came to Churchill Downs with the right horse.

"As I've told Bob Baffert a number of times, 'Just give me the horse.'" he said. "You are supposed to win when you have a horse like John Henry. A hotwalker could train a good horse. Everyone wants to get the credit when they win a big race. But I truly believe and will say for the rest of my life, you will never succeed if you don't have the right horse. If you don't have any good horses you'll never do well."

He hopes his next star is already in his barn. He owns and trains Rock Your World's full-brother, a 2-year-old colt named He's Our Maker. He's not going to let this one get away, and he's not going anywhere. Can he win the 2022 Derby as a trainer? You never know.

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DON'T JUMP THE GUN, HIS RUNNERS ARE COMING ON FAST

by Katie Ritz



Training forwardly: Gun Runner colts breeze in company at Keeneland last Saturday. From inside: Ten Gauge, Magazine Street--a half to GSW Finite (Munnings)--and Chileno
Frances Karon

The team at Three Chimneys could hardly have asked for a better start at stud for champion **Gun Runner**. The most expensive horse to retire to stud for the 2018 season, he filled a 171-mare book his first year, was the leading first-crop weanling sire the following year with an average exceeding \$275,000, and again topped his class with his yearlings in 2020.

By most accounts, the son of **Candy Ride (Arg)** has not done a thing wrong in his early stud career and yet, as his first crop was building a foundation in training early on this year, they were pigeonholed into the theory that they might take some time to develop into top form.

After all, **Gun Runner** was competitive at the highest level in his early career, but it wasn't until late November of his sophomore campaign that he scored his first of six Grade I victories in the Clark H. and from there, was nearly unbeatable against top company as he earned his Horse of the Year title at four, capped off with a GI Pegasus World Cup win at five.

The stereotype doesn't go without strong reasoning then, so the Gun Runners will just have to prove the doubters wrong.

Perhaps no one can provide more insight on how **Gun Runner's** first crop is progressing than the one who trained the dual champion.

Steve Asmussen currently has seven **Gun Runner** 2-year-olds in training at Keeneland, many of which he is pointing to debut once the Churchill Downs Spring Meet is underway. He said that each of these juveniles received glowing praise from his father Keith when they were first put under saddle at the family's training center in Laredo, Texas.

"We're very interested in wanting **Gun Runner** to succeed because of all he's done for us from an emotional aspect, but from all the conversations I've had from my father, he consistently talks about how good their attitude is about taking what you're doing with them. They're very businesslike, they keep their appetite and continue to get stronger. Straightforward is how he describes them."

Asmussen stressed that the most common thread found in all of the Gun Runners is their mentality.

"They have very good minds about them," he said. "They're extremely sound and mentally mature. They're showing some talent, so we're more than a little excited about them."

On Monday, three of Asmussen's **Gun Runner** trainees, all Winchell Thoroughbred homebreds, had their first timed gate works at Keeneland. The first, a colt out of SW Louisville First (Girolamo) named Under the Gun went a half mile in :47.40 (5/38). Asmussen said he told his team to slow down the next set. Red Run, a colt out of the **Tapit** mare Red House, breezed in :47.80 (8/38) while Gunite, the son of 2015 Bolton Landing S. winner Simple Surprise (Cowboy Cal), worked in :49.20 (19/38).

"It's not hard on them to move fast," Asmussen noted. "**Gun Runner** was that way too. We had **Gun Runner** at Keeneland at a similar time when he was a 2-year-old, and it was the same thing--very intelligent, athletic and forward in his training. He was capable of working and training and racing as fast as horses can do."

Another **Gun Runner** that may not be too far off from debut made headlines a few weeks ago at the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale. Selling as **Hip 181**, the colt out of the stakes-winning Ohio-bred mare Needmore Flattery (**Flatter**) brought \$1.7 million as the second-highest purchase of the sale. Agent Gary Young purchased the April foal on behalf of Zedan Racing Stable to train under the tutelage of Bob Baffert.



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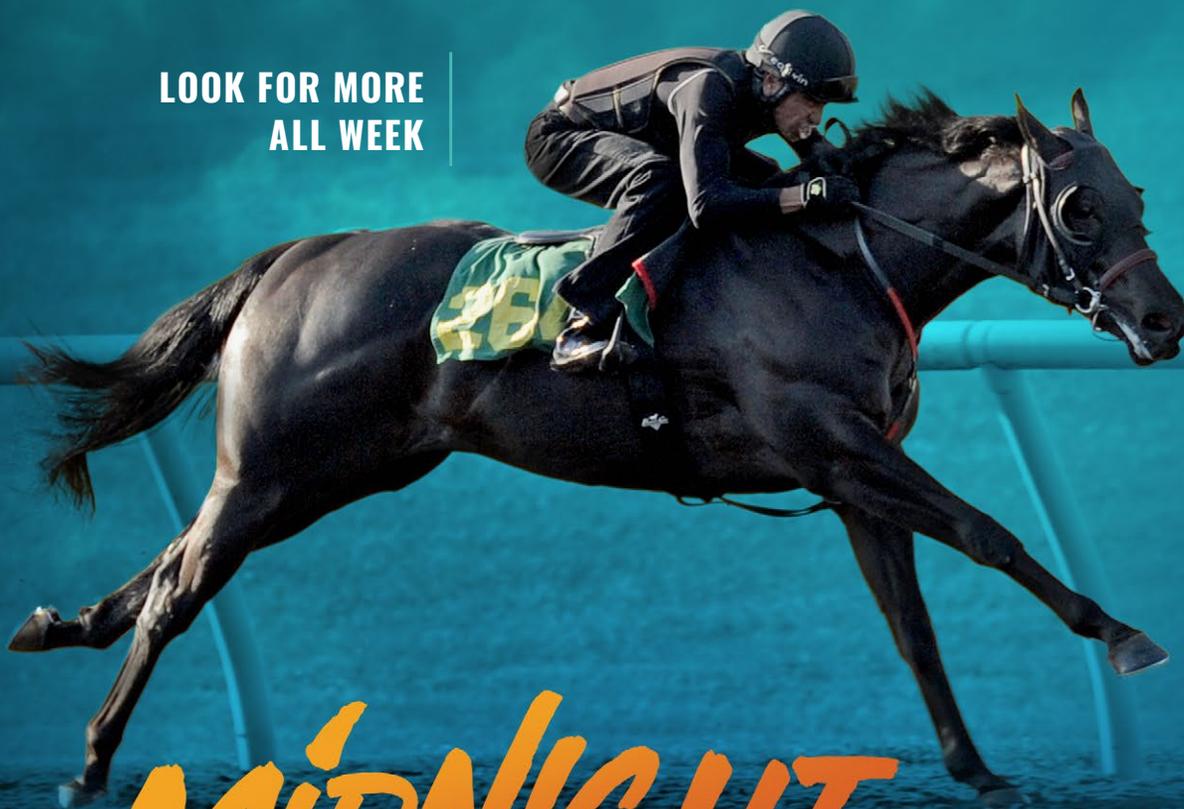
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“He was the spitting image of **Gun Runner**,” Young recalled. “There was no DNA test necessary for him. I loved **his work** on the track and then I went to see him and I thought him and the **Nyquist** [**Hip 28**, \$2.6-million sale topper] were two very, very nice colts. Between Baffert, Mr. Zedan and I, we decided that the **Gun Runner** would be the one we would go for and we were very happy to get him.”

Young reported that the colt is now thriving in training at Santa Anita.

“He’s galloping there and Bob is very happy with him,” he said. “His barn habits are terrific. He goes to the track and trains and then goes back in his stall and lies down and relaxes all day. So there’s absolutely no buyer’s remorse so far.”

Young explained that he has always expected **Gun Runner**’s progeny to progress early on in their career.

“**Gun Runner** was built like a fast horse and he was a very athletic horse,” he said. “I wasn’t surprised that the **Gun Runners** are showing precocity, but the people who are more surprised probably base that on how **Gun Runner** got better as his career progressed. He wasn’t a bad 2-year-old or 4-year-old, he just wasn’t dominating as much as he was later on when he was practically unbeatable.”

Young recalled watching **Gun Runner** train in California leading up to his memorable victory in the GI Breeders’ Cup Classic.

“This horse trained like there was no way he could lose that race. You could tell by watching him train that it was going to take one hell of a horse to beat him. He definitely got better as he got older, but he was a good 2-year-old too, which is a very good combination.”

Speaking from his hotel in Ocala, Young said he has his eye on a few more juveniles by the same sire at the upcoming OBS Spring Sale.

“I’m very bullish on **Gun Runner**,” he said. “I could foresee myself buying more of them maybe even this year. It would be no surprise if he turned out to be a very good sire. **Candy Ride** hasn’t had a whole lot of sons at stud yet, but he was a freak of a racehorse that turned out to be a very good sire, so you would expect his sons to make good sires.”

On the first day of the OBS breeze show Monday, a **Gun Runner** colt selling as **Hip 118** from the Eisaman Equine

consignment and out of stakes winner **Salamera** (Successful Appeal) fired a **:10 bullet**.

Consignor Barry Eisaman said he was not surprised by the speedy work.

“His breezes had been showing us that kind of speed any time you asked him,” he said. “He’s a really big colt and a classy

mover. It’s astonishing that he has as much speed as he does because he doesn’t look like a sprinter at all; he looks like a classic, two-turn sort of creature.”

Eisaman said that he has worked with roughly half a dozen **Gun Runner** juveniles at his farm this spring.

“All of them have excellent minds, including this colt,” he noted. “This colt will work like that and then come back and act like a sensible 3-year-old. Nothing rattles him. If I was rooting for **Gun Runner**’s success with his first crop, I would think he has a pretty good chance.”

Eisaman said he was once a believer that **Gun Runner** might not see a fast start at stud with his first 2-year-olds, but that working with them this year has proven him otherwise.

“All the **Gun Runners** that I have act precocious,” he said. “When I was looking at them as yearlings or when we were first breaking them and watching them gallop, I would have agreed wholeheartedly that they’re probably going to be later. But as I started to do little baby breezes with them, they all displayed plenty of speed.”

A winner in his first two starts as a juvenile, **Gun Runner** should have all the potential to produce the same with his first runners. But even so, just as the best was still to come for **Gun Runner**’s career, the same may be said someday for his progeny.

“He was a special talent,” Asmussen said. “As we all know, he was very good at two and three against good company, but he was Horse of the Year as a 4-year-old. Who he was at four and five is as good as it gets, so it’s hard to measure that. We were pleasantly surprised that his progeny are showing plenty of ability now, like him, but the exciting part is the fact that his last four to five starts were so phenomenal and when he retired at five, he was still trending up.”



Hip 118 is one of nine **Gun Runner juveniles currently entered in the OBS Spring Sale | Tiborphoto, courtesy Barry Eisaman**

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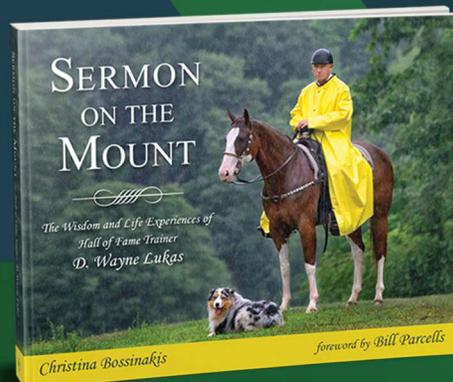
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AUDIT REVEALS \$272K IN UNCOLLECTED NJ COMMISSION FINES



Monmouth Park | Sarah Andrew

by T.D. Thornton

A state audit of the New Jersey Racing Commission (NJRC) that sampled the records of 100 individuals listed as never having paid their fines for racing infractions has revealed that at least \$272,000 remains uncollected, with 76% of that money being outstanding for penalties that were imposed by the NJRC as long as two decades ago.

The Office of the State Auditor, which probed various aspects of the commission for the period between July 2016 through March 2020, also stated that the commission-produced equine fatality reports “are not always complete and the timeliness of the submission of reports cannot be determined.”

Although the audit stated that the commissions finances were generally properly processed and recorded in the state’s accounting systems, there were concerns over some missing cash receipts for certain licensing and fingerprinting transactions at the commission’s offices at Monmouth Park, Meadowlands Racetrack, and Freehold Raceway.

John Brennan of njonlinegambling.com first reported on the audit, a copy of which can be accessed [here](#).

“We judgmentally selected 100 of 138 licensed individuals with outstanding fines over 90 days from the NJRC List of Fines Not Collected report for the period Mar. 13, 2000 through Aug. 30, 2019,” the audit stated. “The individuals listed in the report did not pay their fines within the required 48 hours. We reviewed the NJRC system to verify if these individuals were suspended and placed on the security guide and noted the commission did not suspend the licenses of 18 individuals.

“In addition, for the same sample of 100 individuals, we noted 91 rulings with fines totaling \$272,000 are still outstanding, of which 69 rulings totaling \$215,725 range from 10 to 19 years old. If an agency is unable to collect debt within 90 days, the account should be transferred to the Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services for further collection efforts....The lack of the commission’s enforcement of controls with regard to suspensions increases the risk that suspended individuals could participate in horse racing activities.”

The NJRC was allowed to attach a written response to the state audit. The commission disputed some of the audit’s findings on the unpaid fines and lack of suspensions.

“We have reviewed the 18 licensees in question and found that only one licensee received a license to race in New Jersey after failing to pay a fine,” the NJRC stated. “That license was issued in 2009, and has not been renewed since then. All of the licensees who are neither deceased nor out of business have been placed on the NJRC Security Guide. Individuals placed on the Security Guide do not obtain licensure for as long as their fines remain unpaid.

“It is important to note that the NJRC has a backup procedure in place intended to ensure that persons who do not pay fines do not race. When an individual with an outstanding fine comes in to be licensed, even if they are not on the Security Guide, the billing screen will show the outstanding, unpaid balance in red. The NJRC licensing inspectors are trained to refuse to issue a license until the fine is paid.”

With regard to the equine fatality reporting, the audit cited a lack of required tattoo numbers for some deceased horses and the omission of other required identifying information as mistakes that needed to be corrected moving forward.

“We reviewed the equine fatality reports from calendar year 2014 through calendar year 2018 to determine if the reports were complete,” the audit stated. “Eighteen of the 111 reports (16%) reviewed were submitted without the tattoo number. Thirty-four of the 111 reports (31%) were submitted with inadequate information regarding the carcass removal. Six of the 111 reports (5%) were missing the necessary signature of either the trainer, custodian, or veterinarian. Eight of the 111 reports (7%) were submitted without the owner or trainer’s name being listed.

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“In addition, we could not determine the timeliness of the submission of any of the reports to the commission because the reports were not date-stamped when received,” the audit summed up.

The NJRC responded that it has already proposed a series of amendments to the New Jersey Administrative Code that would improve the fatality reporting, Those amendments were proposed back in December 2019, the NJRC stated. But the commission’s response didn’t address why it’s taken nearly 1 1/2 years to get those better reporting guidelines on the books.

The NJRC is supposed to consist of nine members appointed by the governor, but there continue to be five vacancies on the commission in the governor’s fourth year in office.

The commissioners are Pamela Clyne (chair), Michael Arnone, Francis Keegan, and Glen Vetrano. Judith Nason is the executive director in charge of daily operations.

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MILLER FINED \$500 FOR CLASS 4 POSITIVE

by T.D. Thornton

Trainer Peter Miller, currently third in wins and fourth in earnings at Santa Anita Park, has been fined \$500 for a Class 4 finding of isoflupredone that was confirmed via split-sample testing when his trainee, Hembree (Proud Citizen), won the GII Joe Hernandez S. at 5-1 odds Jan. 1. Isoflupredone is an injectable steroid primarily administered for anti-inflammatory effects. The drug’s 4C categorization is on the less-severe side of the scale of the Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances list published by the Association of Racing Commissioners International. According to the California Horse Racing Board rule book, a trainer’s first violation within a 365-day period for a Category C drug violation can result in a minimum fine of \$500 to a maximum fine of \$1,000 (absent mitigating circumstances). In April 2017, Miller was previously fined \$1,000 by the CHRB for an isoflupredone overage.

No disqualification or purse redistribution was listed within the ruling text on the CHRB website. Hembree, owned by Tom Kagele, subsequently raced Feb. 6 when fifth in the GIII Thunder Road S. at Santa Anita.

It was not immediately clear at deadline for this story if Miller was appealing the fine. The stewards’ ruling was dated Apr. 10.

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TIF: WAGERING INSECURITY, PART I-- EXPECTATIONS

This is Part 1 of the Thoroughbred Idea Foundation’s (TIF) series “Wagering Insecurity.”

Faced with remarkable competitive pressure from the rise of legal sports betting, horse racing is at a crossroads. Confidence amongst horseplayers and horse owners is essential to the future sustainability of the sport. Efforts to improve the greater North American Thoroughbred industry will fall flat if its stakeholders fail to secure a foundation of integrity. Achieving this is growing increasingly difficult after the sport has neglected its core base--horseplayers--for decades. “Wagering Insecurity” details some of that neglect, and the need to embrace serious reform. Fortunately, there are examples across the racing world to follow.

Participants across racing should have some basic expectations met.

Simply put, the competitions within racing should be fair and honest. Horses should be free from any illegal performance enhancement. Jockeys should expect horses are sound, track surfaces are safe and stewards enforce rules consistently. Bettors should expect that jockeys give horses their best chance to win, betting information is accurate and that wagering systems are secure and do not advantage some customers over others.

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This series delves into the integrity of North American horse racing, specifically as it relates to the \$11 billion wagered through the pari-mutuel system, and the uncounted billions wagered outside the purview of North American racing regulators.

Horse racing is competing for customers, working to retain existing ones while trying to attract and develop new ones, like any business. Proper standards of integrity are necessary.

Are racing’s customers, the bettors, properly protected at present?

TIF believes the answer to that question is “no.” The security of racing’s wagering systems is not up to contemporary standards. The oversight of racing from stewards and regulators is not sufficient at present for customers to have confidence in the legitimacy of results.

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Leading Sires YTD by Black-Type Winners

for stallions standing in North America through Tuesday, Apr. 13

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Into Mischief <i>(2005) by Harlan's Holiday FYR: 2010 Crops: 10 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$225,000</i>	16	30	7	14	1	3	247	85	270,000	6,254,984
2	Curlin <i>(2004) by Smart Strike FYR: 2010 Crops: 10 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$175,000</i>	8	18	6	12	3	3	151	41	467,100	3,737,733
3	Tapit <i>(2001) by Pulpit FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$185,000</i>	6	15	4	7	--	1	128	43	930,000	3,896,936
4	Street Sense <i>(2004) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2009 Crops: 11 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$60,000</i>	6	8	3	4	--	2	133	36	856,600	2,816,409
5	Candy Ride (Arg) <i>(1999) by Ride the Rails FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$75,000</i>	6	7	5	6	1	2	121	45	546,600	2,674,154
6	Ghostzapper <i>(2000) by Awesome Again FYR: 2007 Crops: 13 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$85,000</i>	6	7	2	4	1	1	114	41	360,000	2,244,298
7	Munnings <i>(2006) by Speightstown FYR: 2012 Crops: 8 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$40,000</i>	5	13	1	5	1	1	159	56	300,000	2,679,939
8	Speightstown <i>(1998) by Gone West FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$90,000</i>	5	14	4	8	--	1	121	36	147,500	1,744,848
9	American Pharoah <i>(2012) by Pioneerof the Nile FYR: 2017 Crops: 3 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$100,000</i>	5	8	2	4	1	2	102	22	166,000	1,370,550
10	Medaglia d'Oro <i>(1999) by El Prado (Ire) FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$150,000</i>	5	9	4	5	1	2	92	25	155,000	1,349,638
11	Hard Spun <i>(2004) by Danzig FYR: 2009 Crops: 11 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$35,000</i>	4	8	1	6	--	1	139	51	390,000	2,526,543
12	Liam's Map <i>(2011) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2017 Crops: 3 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i>	4	8	3	5	1	1	79	25	729,000	2,211,100
13	Goldencents <i>(2010) by Into Mischief FYR: 2016 Crops: 4 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$15,000</i>	4	7	3	4	--	--	133	40	240,000	1,755,396
14	Pioneerof the Nile <i>(2006) by Empire Maker FYR: 2011 Crops: 9 Stands: WinStar Farm USA (Dead/Ret)</i>	4	6	2	5	--	--	102	34	260,260	1,664,430
15	Get Stormy <i>(2006) by Stormy Atlantic FYR: 2014 Crops: 6 Stands: Crestwood Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i>	4	4	2	3	--	--	45	9	92,678	496,021

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101 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Mahoning Valley, Alw 6f, Angel's Sassy, 5-1

Den's Legacy (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Mighty Acres, \$2,000
49 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Will Rogers Downs, Msw 6f, J B's Legacy, 7-2

Harry's Holiday (Harlan's Holiday), Southern Indiana Equine,
\$3,000
36 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Indiana Grand, Msw 5f, Get Lucky Justice, 2-1
\$17,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$15,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Majestic Harbor (Rockport Harbor), Harris Farms, \$2,500
27 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Indiana Grand, Alw 5f, Manuelito, 5-1
\$3,800 IND MIX yrl

Outwork (**Uncle Mo**), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
211 foals of racing age/27 winners/3 black-type winners
8-Indiana Grand, Msw 5 1/2f, Knicks Front, 7-2
\$150,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$190,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Taprize (**Tapit**), R Star Stallions, \$2,500
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7-Indiana Grand, Msw 5f, Embroided, 30-1



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9th-Delta Downs, \$42,000, (S), 4-13, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f,
:59.52, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

LADY HOPPER (f, 4, Calibrachoa--Newmar, by Salt Lake)
Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$55,210. O-David Morales; B-J. Adcock
(LA); T-James B. Ludwig. \$2,200 Ylg '18 ESLYRL. *1/2 to Brilliant
Son (Stormin Fever), GSP, \$291,717; and to Yonegwa (Kafwain),
MSW, \$189,292.

7th-Mahoning Valley, \$29,500, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000),
4-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:06.24, ft, 1/2 length.

VALLEY OF MO'ARA (f, 4, Overanalyze--Pola Golden R N, by
Golden Missile) Lifetime Record: 10-6-3-0, \$169,415. O-Blazing
Meadows Farm LLC and TEC Racing (Elliott S. Logan); B-Michael
William Soehnen (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm. *\$58,000 RNA Wlg
'17 PEDOH; \$13,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

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8th-Mahoning Valley, \$29,000, (S), 4-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m,
6f, 1:13.96, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

ANGEL'S SASSY (f, 3, Cinco Charlie--Windsail, by Grand
Appointment) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$38,150. O/B-Susan
Anderson Racing LLC (OH); T-Susan L. Anderson.

5th-Will Rogers Downs, \$25,740, (S), 4-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up,
1m, 1:40.75, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

ABSAROKA (g, 5, Flat Out--Wanton Song, by Brahms) Lifetime
Record: 12-3-2-1, \$71,386. O/B-Cowboy Stables, LLC (OK);
T-Roger F. Engel.

4th-Turf Paradise, \$22,000, Alw, 4-13, (NW1TL), 3yo/up, 7
1/2fT, 1:29.19, fm, 1/2 length.

NAVY ARMED GUARD (g, 6, Midshipman--Black Java {SP,
\$117,145}, by Pine Bluff) Lifetime Record: 30-7-5-7, \$203,536.
O-Quinn Howey; B-George Pruette & Philip Coomer (KY);
T-Quinn Howey. *\$47,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR; \$60,000 5yo '20
FTKHRA. **1/2 to Discreet Angel (Discreet Cat), Ch. 3-year-old
Colt-PR, Ch. 2-year-old Colt-PR, MSW-PR, \$243,448.

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Jolly Jumper, g, 3, **Magna Graduate**--Everlastingly (SP, \$173,257), by Fistfite. Will Rogers Downs, 4-13, (S), 6f, 1:13.11. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$18,917. B-Clark Brewster (OK).

Tapit's Spirit, g, 3, **Tapizar**--Timeless Spirit, by Devil His Due. Indiana Grand, 4-13, 5 1/2f, 1:05.86. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,600. B-Normandy Farm (KY). *\$10,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

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King of Light, g, 4, **Carpe Diem**--Queen of Races, by Henrythenavigator. Mahoning Valley, 4-13, 1m 70y, 1:46.63. Lifetime Record: 13-1-3-2, \$22,185. B-Equvine Farm LLC & **Carpe Diem** Syndicate (PA). *\$45,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$21,000 2yo '19 EASMAY.

Elite Attraction, f, 4, **Elite Squadron**--First Attraction (SW), by Pancho Villa. Indiana Grand, 4-13, (S), 5f, 1:01.06. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-1, \$26,925. B-Lake Shore Farms LLC (IN). *1/2 to Officer Griffin (Officer), SW, \$368,863.



Calibrachoa, Lady Hopper, f, 4, o/o Newmar, by Salt Lake. ALW, 4-13, Delta Downs

Carpe Diem, King of Light, g, 4, o/o Queen of Races, by Henrythenavigator. MSW, 4-13, Mahoning Valley

Cinco Charlie, Angel's Sassy, f, 3, o/o Windsail, by Grand Appointment. ALW, 4-13, Mahoning Valley

Elite Squadron, Elite Attraction, f, 4, o/o First Attraction, by Pancho Villa. MSW, 4-13, Indiana Grand

Flat Out, Absaroka, g, 5, o/o Wanton Song, by Brahms. ALW, 4-13, Will Rogers

Magna Graduate, Jolly Jumper, g, 3, o/o Everlastingly, by Fistfite. MSW, 4-13, Will Rogers

Magna Graduate, Mega Bond, g, 4, o/o She's a Bond Girl, by Truluck. MSW, 4-13, Will Rogers

Midshipman, Navy Armed Guard, g, 6, o/o Black Java, by Pine Bluff. ALW, 4-13, Turf Paradise

Noble's Promise, Big Blue Emu, f, 4, o/o Northern Chill, by Maria's Mon. MSW, 4-13, Indiana Grand

Overanalyze, Valley of Mo'ara, f, 4, o/o Pola Golden R N, by Golden Missile. AOC, 4-13, Mahoning Valley

Read the Footnotes, Casino Queen, m, 5, o/o Bianco, by Yes It's True. ALW, 4-13, Will Rogers

Skylord, Tuffer Than Tuff, g, 4, o/o Icey Energy, by Unbridled Energy. ALW, 4-13, Indiana Grand

Tapizar, **Tapit's Spirit**, g, 3, o/o Timeless Spirit, by Devil His Due. MSW, 4-13, Indiana Grand

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A JOKE TO BE TAKEN VERY SERIOUSLY



Lot 71, a filly by **Practical Joke**, topped Tuesday's trade | Tattersalls

by Chris McGrath

NEWMARKET, UK—After such giddy disruption to the last cycle, the first session of the European breeze-up calendar gave the sector a comforting sense that its world might be easing back on its axis. But those seeking continuity could find it, not between the market that was eventually salvaged last summer and the one that was tested here on Tuesday, but extending from the 2-year-old sales already staged this year across the ocean.

Practical Joke has been the toast of the Florida sales, not least with the \$750,000 filly who topped the OBS March Sale, and the rookie son of **Into Mischief** achieved a remarkable mirror distinction when another of his daughters dominated the opening session of the Tattersalls Craven Sale at 360,000gns.

This was an exciting moment for those of us who deplore the modern schism between the American and European gene pools. After all, it was with a turf breeze that this filly had arrested so much attention. In the event, however, it turned out that she will now be repatriated to her native land to join Chad Brown.

Presented by Tally-Ho Stud as **lot 71**, she was bought by Alex Elliott on behalf of White Birch Farm.

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FEELING THE LOVE

Newmarket's Craven meeting cranks up on Wednesday, with the G1 1000 Guineas aspirants tackling the G3 Lanwades Stud Nell Gwyn S. up the Rowley Mile that plays host to the May 2 Classic. As usual, the seven-furlong prep has some genuine prospects for the big occasion including Normandie Stud's '**TDN Rising Star**' **Love Is You (Ire)** (**Kingman** {GB}), who oozed class when beating the smart Gift List (GB) (**Bated Breath** {GB}) by 3 1/2 lengths in the Listed Radley S. on testing ground over this trip at Newbury in October.

Roger Charlton has yet to win the 1000, but the homebred daughter of the G1 Coronation S. heroine **Fallen For You** (GB) (**Dansili** {GB}) has the right credentials on pedigree and a convincing performance here will see her offer stern opposition to the ultra-exciting but totally-unproven **Santa Barbara** (Ire) (**Camelot** {GB}) in over three weeks' time. **Cont. p8**

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• Average (% change)	99,769gns
• Median (% change)	80,000gns

Tattersalls Craven Day 1 Cont. from p1

"The 2-year-old guys in Florida were raving about **Practical Joke** all winter," the agent said. "But it's another thing then to go and do it. And they seem to be doing it. This is a beautiful filly and will be going back to Chad, who trained **Practical Joke**. She has been very highly thought of from day one. Roger has raved about her all along."

Of course, the phenomenal **Into Mischief** initially had to make his name with mediocre mares and his encouraging start as a sire of sires suggests that his genetic alchemy is not necessarily going to be confined by their limitations. **Practical Joke** won three stallion-making Grade Is, at two and three, and was in corresponding demand from the outset with commercial breeders. This filly is a half-sister to Group 2-placed **Rebel Tale (Tale Of The Cat)** and boasts a Grade I winner as the third dam.

"The sire line is magic," enthused Roger O'Callaghan of Tally-Ho. "And this is as good a filly as I have had to breeze. She has been a genuine natural from the start. I bought her as a foal with Archie St George [\$185,000 Keeneland November weanling]. She didn't make the yearling sale, and we brought her here."

Elliott noted that the complexion of this catalogue has responded to the new Royal Ascot bonus, but felt that this filly was a more traditional Craven type.

"She is a May foal, and is going to need a bit of time," he reasoned. "She is scopey, with quality, and the more time you can give those, the better they can be. But she was the one. She did everything."

Overall the session represented a very positive reset after the traumas of last year, when the sector was exposed to the first wave of the pandemic. **Cont. p3**



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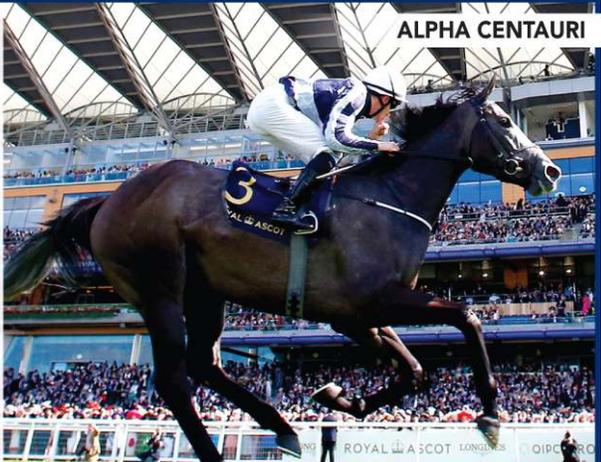
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In the end a Craven Sale was staged after Royal Ascot, so direct comparisons would not be valid. But the 65 lots sold of 75 offered (86%) this time turned over an aggregate 6,485,000gns for a 80,000gns median and 99,769gns average. The 2019 and 2018 sales finished with medians of 85,000 and 75,000, respectively, so while the averages then tipped 120,000gns and 140,000gns, this definitely felt like a bold step in the right direction.

Night Improves Swann's Evening

Though this sale is dominated by colts, the most conspicuous demand through its first half was for fillies. One thing is for sure: Peter Swann will be hoping that his outlay of 265,000gns for a daughter of Night Of Thunder, presented as **lot 50** by Star Bloodstock, ultimately gives his evening a more auspicious look than it had achieved to that point. As chairman of Scunthorpe Football Club, he was obliged to report that his team was already 4-0 down to Morecambe. [Cont. p4](#)



Peter Swann | Tattersalls

Tattersalls Craven Day 1 Cont.

In this sphere, however, his Cool Silk Partnership is in the Premier League. Swann reckons he is now up to 62 winners from the breeze-up sales, and one of them is already being targeted at the richest prize on the planet next January. Working with agent Matt Coleman, Swann has found the likes of Royal Ascot winner Prince Of Lir (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) and Group 1 winner Sands Of Mali (Fr) (Panis) at the breeze-ups; while now the ongoing success at Meydan for Midnight Sands (Speightstown) sets him up for a crack at the Saudi Cup.

Not that rocket science had been required to identify the exuberance of this filly's breeze the previous morning. But their record has allowed Swann's team to be confident in their focus.

"We've been doing it a long time now," he said. "We just use everything we can, and ensure the horse is sound if we can. We

though this filly's breeze was excellent. And she has a great pedigree, so if we can win a race then we're halfway there. But she's definitely the sort of thing we're looking for, the way she's built: a real specimen, very strong and not too tall in the leg."

She is the first foal of a sister to G1 July Cup runner-up Main Aim (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), the pair out of G3 Prix de Sandringham winner Orford Ness (GB) (Selkirk). The dam, who had a light career in France, offered relatively affordable access to a Juddmonte family when picked up by Rabbah Bloodstock for 38,000gns at the December Sale here in 2016. She was sent to Night Of Thunder in his second season at stud, and her daughter could duly ride the wave with the

Kildangan stallion after he made a flying start from his first couple of crops (fee trebled to €75,000 this spring). She was picked out of Book II here last October by Byron Rogers / Star BS for 95,000gns. [Cont. p5](#)



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Coleman signed a 210,000gns docket a few minutes later for **lot 56**, a son of **Oasis Dream** from Oak Tree Farm bought by Mags O'Toole for 67,000gns in Book 1 last October. But this time he was acting on behalf of colleague Anthony Stroud and Godolphin.

"Anthony and David Loder thought he was one of the picks of the sale," Coleman said. "He breezed very well, and obviously has a good pedigree: his mother is a sister to the dam of **Calyx (GB) (Kingman {GB})**. And this is the same cross as **Calyx**. He is a grand-looking horse, Norman [Williamson] has done a good job with him."

Dabirsim Filly Is Different Class

Dabirsim (Fr) has had an interesting career as a breeze-up stallion, his first-crop daughter Different League (Fr) having been rejected at 14,000gns at Doncaster before entering training in the colours of his consignor's wife and winning at Royal Ascot. There was rather more interest next time she entered a ring, making 1,500,000gns at the December Sale here.

So prospectors nowadays know to take a second look at this rare European outlet for the Sunday Silence line, and there was corresponding demand for a charming filly pinhooked by Robson Aguiar as **lot 25**. Picked up for €50,000 at Arqana last summer, this daughter of an unraced sister to French Listed winner Oriental (Jpn) (Smart Strike) (next dam a half-sister to Classic winner Falco (Pivotal {GB})) realised a handsome profit from Roger Varian at 240,000gns.

"She did a good breeze but wasn't blitzed," the hometown trainer noted. "It looks like there is plenty of horse left to train. She has plenty of scope, she moves nicely and it looks like she has a good mind on her. That's what I liked: that she's not just a rock-and-roll bullet."

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Auctioneer Ollie Fowlston put down the hammer declaring that he looked forward to seeing the filly at Royal Ascot, where a new £125,000 sale bonus will be up for grabs.

"Who knows?" said Varian with a shrug. "But she looks the sort that could be out in May. She's mature, she's strong, there's no reason not to move on."

Varian is always considered in his judgement and his observations on the bonus scheme are worth heeding.

"She's for an existing client and I don't know that the bonus was the absolute thing that brought him to the market," he said. "Those bonuses are jolly hard to win. But we're in a very bleak time, regarding prizemoney, a very dangerous time. So we can't knock any incentives, whether through bonuses or other schemes."

Radcliffe's Tall Order

No pressure on **lot 34**, a daughter of Toronado (Ire) presented by Kilminfoyle House Stud. She only has to be another Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy).

Kerri Radcliffe, who gave 210,000gns for the filly, was acting on behalf of Peter Leidel—one of the co-owners of Lady Aurelia, whose consecutive scores at the royal meeting were by an aggregate of 10 lengths.



Kerri Radcliffe | Tattersalls

Tattersalls Craven Day 1 Cont.

"Peter hasn't been to Ascot since Lady Aurelia," explained Radcliffe. "So that was a factor for him. She's very racy filly from a good consignor who gets results, and that makes a big difference. She behaved well and did everything right. Hopefully she can be an Ascot filly, that's what we were looking for, and she'll be trained in England though no decisions have yet been made as to where."

Whether she will retain her first registration is another matter: she arrived here as **Babycrri (Fr)**. Regardless she was a splendid pinhook, bought by Federico Barberini for just €33,000 at Arqana last October. She's out of a young Acclamation (GB) mare, but the second dam was a clue to the dash she exhibited in her breeze as a half-sister to another dual Royal Ascot winner Equiano (Fr), himself of course also by Acclamation.

Kilminfoyle celebrated a remarkable supplementary dividend after the sale when sealing a deal for **lot 8**, a **Kingman** colt who had been scratched after breezing. Tattersalls added him to its listed transactions as a 335,000gns private sale to Manor House Stud. Bred by Frank Dunne from listed winner Flying Fairies (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), his physique can be judged from the fact that he made €310,000 as a foal at Goffs November.

Marnane Lands Running

The first proper "touch" of the new circuit was celebrated by the Bansha House team, who pinhooked a Kodiak colt out of the Tattersalls Ireland Yearling Sale (transferred here) for £38,000—and brought him here as **lot 7**, to make 160,000gns from Stephen Hillen and Kevin Ryan. "A good start after a dodgy time last year," said Con Marnane, with the wry smile of one who knows there is still a long way to go. "Amy picked him out, he came from a very good farm in Egmont Stud, and I suppose we were just in the right place at the right time."

The buyers bought the evergreen Brando (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) at

this sale back in 2014 and Marnane is confident they have one of similar calibre here.

"I think he's a right candidate to win that Royal Ascot bonus," said Marnane. "He has just been a pleasure to have around, a real gentleman of a horse who did everything right all the way through. I'm thrilled he's going to such a good team and they can run him straightaway from here."

His evident precocity augurs well for this Apr. 26 colt, and he has the page to back him up too: his dam is a half-sister to the dam of the flying machine Battaash (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}); and therefore also to the G2 Champagne S. winner Etlala (GB) (Selkirk), and to the dam of multiple Group 1-placed sprinter Tasleet (GB) (Showcasing {GB}).

"He'll look a cheap horse if he wins that bonus," Marnane said. "Because he has a stallion's pedigree as well."

The Hillen-Ryan combination later went to 200,000gns for **lot 62**, a Mehmas colt from Longways Stables. "Mehmas is doing wonderful things," Hillen remarked. "And this horse has a good stride pattern, he's a very nice individual and never put a foot wrong, he has a great attitude."

He is from the family of Mount Nelson (Ire) and ultimately Reference Point (GB) but Hillen said with a shrug: "At the breeze-ups I want to buy the individual, to be honest I don't even look at the pedigree: they can even run or they can't."

Donohoe Hopes to Be Lucky Again

Not every headline number represents a headline sale and while 240,000gns looked a good price for **lot 10**, the fact is that he only mildly advanced similar bids made twice for him in the past in this same ring. The Lope De Vega (Ire) colt was first bought by Woodford Thoroughbreds as a foal at the 2019 December Sale, only to be bought in for 200,000gns in Book I last October. Entrusted to a man who would give him every chance in Willie Browne of Mocklershill, he responded with a breeze persuasive enough for Michael Donohoe of BBA (Ireland). **Cont. p7**



Stephen Hillen | Tattersalls



The session's top colt was lot 10, a son of Lope de Vega | Tattersalls

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The agent has a happy history with this stallion, having bought last year's G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner Lucky Vega (Ire) as a yearling.

"And this colt is a very good physical," Donohoe reasoned. "I liked him as a yearling, just thought he might have been a bit raw, but Willie has done a great job with him. I saw him at Willie's before he came over: Willie was quite high on him, and the horse breezed the way he thought he would. He looks precocious, as though he has plenty of speed and won't take too long."

Donohoe was acting for a Middle Eastern client with an international presence and no decision has yet been made on which trainer will be fortunate enough to receive this fellow. Repeated interest in this colt is easily explained, his second dam boasting none other than Classic winner Speciosa (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) as half-sister, with that wonderful mare Pride (Fr) duly lurking in the next generation.

Practical Joke is not the only Coolmore youngster now trying to make his name and, in the middle market, John Gosden appeared to make an astute early strike in giving 95,000gns for **lot 3**, a colt from the first crop of the admirable **Highland Reel**. With a second dam by Rainbow Quest out of Ebadiyla (Ire), the G1 Prix Royal Oak-winning half-sister to two G1 Ascot Gold Cup winners, he hardly had the most obvious profile for this environment. But he did a bright breeze for Malcolm Bastard and he'll be in good hands to show that this sector can produce performers of every stamp.

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SESSION TOPPERS

**TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE UP SALE
TUESDAY'S TOP LOTS**

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (gns)
71	f	Practical Joke	Purr And Prowl	360,000
(\$185,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV) Bred by Parrish Hill Farm & Ashford Stud (KY) Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud Purchased by A C Elliott, Agent for White Birch Farm				
8	c	Kingman (GB)	Flying Fairies (Ire)	335,000
(€310,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV) Bred by Frank Dunne (Ire) Consigned by Kilminfoyle House Stud, Agent Purchased by Manor House Stud				
50	f	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Militate (GB)	265,000
(95,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT) Bred by Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (Ire) Consigned by Star Bloodstock Purchased by Cool Silk Partnership/Stroud Coleman Bloodstock				
10	c	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Freedom March (GB)	240,000
(230,000gns Wlg '19 TATDEC; 200,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT) Bred by Freedom March Syndicate & Lope de Vega Syndicate Consigned by Mocklershill Purchased by BBA Ireland				
25	f	Dabirsim (Fr)	Ironique	240,000
(€50,000 Ylg '20 ARAAUG) Bred by Neustrian Associates & Christopher Richard Hirst (Fr) Consigned by Aguiar Bloodstock Ltd. Purchased by Ebonos				
34	f	Toronado (Ire)	La Undecima (Fr)	210,000
(€33,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT) Bred by Mr Ivano Ricci (Fr) Consigned by Kilminfoyle House Stud Purchased by Kerri Radcliffe Agent/Peter Leidel				
56	c	Oasis Dream (GB)	Needleleaf (GB)	210,000
(€50,000 Wlg '19 ARQDEC; 67,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT) Bred by Le Haras D'Haspel (GB) Consigned by Oak Tree Farm Purchased by Godolphin				

Toppers Cont.

62 c Mehmas (Ire) Party Feet (Ire) 200,000
 (€49,560 Ylg '20 GOFORB)
 Bred by Gigginstown House Stud (Ire)
 Consigned by Longways Stables
 Purchased by Hillen/Ryan

83 c Dabirsim (Fr) Sablerose (Ire) 190,000
 (€35,000 Wlg '19 ARQDEC; €95,000 Ylg '20 ARQAUG)
 Bred by Petra Bloodstock Agency Ltd (Ire)
 Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud
 Purchased by Michael O'Callaghan

7 c Kodiak (GB) Faithful Duchess (Ire) 160,000
 (€30,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; €44,840 Ylg '20 TISEP)
 Bred by Mr Darren Curley (Ire)
 Consigned by Bansha House Stables
 Purchased by Hillen/Ryan

29 c Cotai Glory (GB) Jollification (Ire) 130,000
 Consigned by Kilbrev Stables
 Purchased by SackvilleDonald

Hours after Cotai Glory notched his first winner at the Rowley Mile, the young Tally-Ho sire provided Kilbrev Stables with a pinhooking homerun; they had purchased this son of the winning Jollification (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) for 19,000gns at last year's Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale.

49 c Mehmas (Ire) Midnight Destiny (Ire) 155,000
 Consigned by Bansha House Stables
 Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock

Con Marnane scooped up this second-crop son of Mehmas for €21,000 from the Tattersalls Ireland mixed sale in December, and the continuation of the sire's good fortune into the early part of 2021—including recent Grade/Group 3 winners Going Global (Ire) and Keeper Of Time (Ire)—can only have helped boost this colt's value significantly. He is certainly bred for speed, being inbred 2x3 to Acclamation (GB) through Mehmas and his damsire Dark Angel (Ire).

57 c Cotai Glory (GB) New Magic (Ire) 110,000
 Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud
 Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock/George Baker

The popularity of Cotai Glory was sustained throughout the session; Tally-Ho Stud had picked up this son of its resident sire for €43,000 at Goffs November in 2019. He is a half-brother to three winners out of the listed-placed New Magic (Ire) (Statue of Liberty), and rode the momentum of the sire having his first winner on the Rowley Mile just hours earlier.

77 c Muhaarar (GB) Rainbow Springs (GB) 110,000
 Consigned by Ardglas Stables
 Purchased by Ian Williams/Richard Ryan

This filly out of the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac third Rainbow Springs (GB) (Selkirk) was picked up by Ardglas Stables for €29,500 from last year's Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale. Rainbow Springs has already produced the winning Virgo Rising (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and is a half-sister to G3 Prix Chloe scorer Sparkling Beam (Ire) (Nayef).

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Jockey Jason Watson is hoping she can continue her trajectory towards the main event. "Love Is You is exciting. She has wintered well and looks great," he said. "Steve Raymont, who rides her out every day, has been very happy with her. I've not sat on her, but I've confidence in the team and what they think and I think she should run well. Though she has won at Ascot and Newbury, which are pretty level tracks I don't think the track will be an issue as she is quite well-balanced." **Cont. p9**

THE GOLDEN TOUCH

TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (gns)
7	c	Kodiak (GB)	Faithful Duchess (Ire)	160,000

Consigned by Bansha House Stables
 Purchased by Hillen/Ryan

Con Marnane picked up this half-brother to three winners for £38,000 at last year's Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale relocated to Park Paddocks. He shares a second dam with a pair of prominent speedsters of recent years: the champion sprinter Battaash (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and the multiple group winner and Group 1-placed Tasleet (GB) (Showcasing {GB}).

23 c Kodi Bear (Ire) In Dubai 150,000gns
 Consigned by Aguiar Bloodstock
 Purchased by A C Elliott, Agent/Amo Racing

Hours after enjoying a 2-year-old winner in Forca Brasil (Ire) (Cotai Glory {GB}) across the road at the Rowley Mile's Craven Meeting, Amo Racing swooped for this second-crop son of Kodi Bear, who is a half-brother to five winners and cost Robson Aguiar €59,000 at last year's Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale. His winning dam In Dubai (Giant's Causeway) is out of the G2 Ribblesdale S. and G3 Musidora S. winner Bahr (GB) (Generous {Ire}), whose dual Grade/Group 1-winning daughter Nahrain (GB) (Selkirk) produced the globetrotting Group 1 winner Benbatl (GB) (Kodiak {GB}).



Dizzy & Charlie Appleby | Emma Berry

Wednesday Group Previews Cont.

He added, “She won on heavy ground at the end of the season, but I don’t think she necessarily needs that ground and I think good ground is what she wants. Stamina will be no issue, while she looks stronger this year and that seems to have increased her speed a bit.”

Also unbeaten is the Sangsters and James Wigan’s **Saffron Beach (Ire)** (New Bay {GB}) with vital course-and-distance experience from both her debut and the G3 Oh So Sharp S. in the autumn. Trainer Jane Chapple-Hyam commented, “I feel that Saffron Beach has wintered well and she is training well. She looks fantastic in her coat. She has had no hiccups with her build-up and we have taken her over to the watered gallop two weeks ago to test her. She has developed into a 3-year-old and what she did at two was a bonus.”

Charlie Appleby puts forward **Divine Light (Ire)** (**Kingman** {GB}), who also scored over this track and trip on her sole start in October, while John and Thady Gosden supply another unexposed **Kingman** in Hissa Hamdan Al Maktoum’s Chelmsford novice scorer **Tawahub (GB)**. Appleby said, “Divine Light is a sharp filly, with a course-and-distance win under her belt. It looks a competitive renewal of the race and this should tell us where we are with her.”

The card gets underway with the Bet365 British EBF Maiden Fillies’ S. for the 2-year-olds, where high-profile freshmen Ribchester (Ire) and **Highland Reel (Ire)** have representatives, while the Bet365 European Free H. hosts Godolphin’s Feb. 25 G3 Meydan Classic winner **Naval Crown (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) who beat the fellow Charlie Appleby-trained Master of the Seas (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) there. He will have to be smart to give eight pounds to Eve Johnson Houghton’s G3 Horris Hill S. runner-up

Percy’s Lad (GB) (Sir Percy {GB}), but the latter’s trainer issued a note of caution when she said, “A few of mine appear to be needing the run and we have had some disappointing results, but he deserves to be there and he did nothing wrong last season. It was too soft for him at Newbury and we know he stays a mile and that is probably what he wants. I know we are dropping back to seven, but he is working well and I’m happy as I can be.”

In the G3 Bet365 Earl of Sefton S., Frankie Dettori announces his return to home soil as he partners Isa Salman Al Khalifa’s impressive Mar. 27 Listed Magnolia S. winner **Global Giant (GB)** (Shamardal). Now turned 50, Dettori is relishing being back on his territory. “I’m looking forward to riding back in Britain and getting back on Global Giant, who is owned by a good friend of mine Sheikh Isa,” he said. “This looks a good spot for him and nine furlongs should be ideal. It is a good ride to have as my first ride back in Britain this year. I’ve really been enjoying things and I’m really looking forward to seeing people back at the races here. Fifty is a big number and it does scare me a bit sometimes, but the body feels good at the moment thank God and I’m enjoying my racing.”

The closing 10-furlong handicap has been won by Papal Bull (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), Main Sequence (Aldebaran) and Old Persian (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and so can carry weight as an early guide to potential. Carrying topweight is Godolphin’s **Act of Wisdom (Ire)** (**Galileo** {Ire}), a son of the disqualified 1000 Guineas winner Jacqueline Quest (Ire) (**Rock of Gibraltar** {Ire}) who is on a four-timer for Old Persian’s trainer Charlie Appleby.

At Leopardstown, the one-mile Listed Heritage S. sees the return of **‘TDN Rising Star’** and proven Group 1 performer **Lope Y Fernandez (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), who was last seen finishing third in the GI Breeders’ Cup Mile in November.

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Global Giant | Mathea Kelley/Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

SHADWELL SENSATION A NEW RISING STAR

It may have been one of the 3-year-old contests at Newmarket's Craven meeting that did not carry black-type, but Tuesday's bet365 British EBF Conditions S. witnessed a potential class act that could stand alongside any of this week's established Guineas trial winners as Shadwell's regally-bred **Mutasaabeq (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) made all to blitz his rivals and earn **TDN Rising Star** status. Doing it the other way around when successful over this seven-furlong trip on heavy ground on debut here in October, the son of the G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Coronation S. heroine Ghanaati (Giant's Causeway) was wide awake from the stalls opening this time and on to the rail applying pressure from the front under Jim Crowley. Chased hard by Ballydoyle's race-fit **Duke of Mantua (Ire)** (**No Nay Never**) and Godolphin's well-regarded **Noble Dynasty (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) passing halfway, the Charlie Hills trainee simply brushed any threat aside and powered up the hill to win by six lengths from the former, who had performed so well in The Curragh's Madrid H. Mar. 21 which is already looking strong form. There was another two lengths back to the heavily-supported Charlie Appleby-trained Noble Dynasty in

third and with the time under a second off the track record, there was understandably talk of the main event here on May 1.

"He definitely had an advantage being in front here and got a golden highway there a bit, which might have flattered him but I love the way he galloped out and he's very exciting," Hills said. "He went right to the top of the hill there after the line. Sheikh Hamdan loved his breeding and Ghanaati is now improving as a broodmare, with Afaak (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**) a Royal Ascot winner and this fellow lovely and we also have a 2-year-old by Muhaarar (GB) who looks a beauty as well, so it's good to see.

"Sheikh Hamdan had been a huge supporter of ours, so it's sad that he is not here to witness that. He's got a great team and we'll speak to the management and discuss what's best. He's a gorgeous horse, we left him out of the 2000 Guineas because we were worried he was mentally immature and we didn't want to rush him, but the way he's trained throughout the spring we can probably now have a discussion about that [supplementing]. He could go for a listed race and then Royal Ascot instead.

"Ghanaati had her quirks, as a lot of the good ones do, so we wanted to keep lid on him and put a hood on before the start but he was very professional and the more racing he gets the better he should get." **Cont. p11**



The regal Mutaasabeq after earning 'TDN Rising Star' status at Newmarket | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

Mutasabeq Cont.

Like Mutasabeq, the Barry Hills-trained Ghanaati came to Newmarket in the spring of her Classic year with just a maiden win under her belt but with a substantial reputation and duly won the 1000 Guineas on her seasonal bow. Charlie Hills has been graced with all her progeny so far, with the aforementioned Afaak capturing the 2019 Royal Hunt Cup and the year-younger Wafy (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) going on to win last year's G3 Mahab Al Shimaal when sold to join Satish Seemar, GSW-UAE, \$246,592. Mutasabeq's full-sister Alandalos (GB) was a handicapper who was tried over 10 furlongs, so there is significant hope that this colt could see out a mile on pedigree and the way he surged past the line here can only add ballast to that view.

Ghanaati's dam, the Listed Virginia H. and Listed Oh So Sharp S. winner Sarayir (Mr. Prospector), also produced Mawatheeq (Danzig) who captured the G3 Cumberland Lodge S. and was second in the G1 Champion S., and the smart Rumoush (Rahy) who took the Listed Feilden S. and was third in the G1 Epsom Oaks. She is in turn responsible for four Shadwell black-type performers including the talented G3 City of York S. winner Talaayeb (GB) (Dansili {GB}) who also carried TDN Rising Star status, while she is also connected to the G2 Queen Mary S. winner and G1 1000 Guineas third Maqaasid (GB) (Green Desert) and this month's impressive All-Weather Mile Championships Conditions S. winner Khuzaam (Kitten's Joy) who is believed to be Group 1 material by Roger Varian. In the year of the sad passing of his owner-breeder, Mutasabeq would be a fitting Classic winner descended from the immeasurable Height of Fashion (Fr) (Bustino {GB}) who provided him with so much glory and fulfilment via Nashwan, Nayef and Unfuwain.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

BLOODSTOCK AGENT RICHNER DIES AT 68

Chris Richner, a popular face on the French sales circuit who combined his bloodstock agency with being a longtime representative of the Agence Francaise and Arqana, has died at the age of 68 from Covid-19.

The Swiss-born horseman worked in banking in England and Switzerland before putting his equine knowledge to good use in his role as an agent particularly focused on assisting Eastern European clients. Among the Classic winners purchased by Richner for Hungary, Serbia, Slovakia and the Czech Republic are Border War (Fr), Czech Chardonney (Fr), Eminens (Fr) and Magnas (Fr), while Autor (Ire) won the G3 St Leger Italiano. He was also responsible for buying Tzigane Du Berlais (Fr) (Poliglote {GB}), winner of the famous Velka Pardubice steeplechase, as a yearling from Arqana for €26,000.

Two of Richner's best known purchases were Subway Dancer (Ire), a dual group winner in France who was also third in the G1 Champion S. on British Champions Day, and the G2 Prix du Gros Chene winner Tour To Paris (Fr).

Acknowledging his contribution to the sales company, a statement released by Arqana said, "We sincerely thank [Chris] for all these years spent at our side. Always a friendly face at the sales, his joie de vivre and kindness will be missed by all."

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TATTERSALLS CHELTENHAM APRIL ENTRIES REVEALED

The return of point-to-pointing in Britain and Ireland has facilitated a number of recent winners to be entered for the Tattersalls Cheltenham April Sale which, because of ongoing Covid restrictions at racecourses, will be held in Newmarket on Apr. 23.

Twenty-three young jumpers have been catalogued, 17 of which have won a point-to-point or bumper in the last few weeks, including the 5-year-old **Takoda (Ire)** (Doyen {GB}), who strolled to a 25-length victory on debut at Higham on Apr. 2. Also catalogued is a Shirocco (Ger) half-sister to the Grade 3-winning chaser Burn And Turn (Ire) (Flemensfirth) from the family of the high-class Space Trucker (Ire). Named **Letthetruthbeknown (Ire)**, the 5-year-old mare was the eight-length winner of the mares' point-to-point bumper at Cork on Apr. 5.

Inspections for the sale can take place at Tattersalls' Park Paddocks from 1 p.m. on Thursday, Apr. 22, and the sale will commence the following day, also at 1 p.m.

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SIBLING TO SIZING JOHN HEADS GOFFS UK STORES

A Telescope (Ire) half-brother to the Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Sizing John (GB) (Midnight Legend {GB}) is among the 301 entries for the Goffs UK Spring Store Sale.

The 3-year-old gelding, who is being offered as **lot 138** by Elms Bloodstock, is also closely related to recent G2 Jane Seymour Mares' Hurdle winner Abythingforlove (GB), who is by Black Sam Bellamy (Ire), the late brother to Telescope's sire **Galileo (Ire)**.

Also included in the two-day sale, which takes place in Doncaster on May 17 and 18, is a 3-year-old Dunaden (Fr) half-brother to last weekend's G1 Aintree Stayers' Hurdle winner Thyme Hill (GB) (Kay Tara {GB}), who is slated as **lot 234**. A recent update has also been provided for the pedigree of **lot 100**, a half-brother to shock Irish Grand National winner Freewheelin Dylan (Ire) (Curtain Time {Ire}), by the late Presenting (GB).

"Shortly after our team started inspections earlier this year it was apparent that there was likely to be unprecedented demand for places at this sale and that has indeed been the case," said Goffs UK managing director Tim Kent.

"Early feedback also indicated that there was a clear increase in the quality of horse being aimed at the sale and that standard has followed right through our inspections which bodes very well for the sale in a few weeks.

"The result is arguably the finest selection of stores we have

catalogued for the Doncaster Spring Sale and clearly the best catalogue we have produced in recent years. The higher demand and increased quality means we have produced a larger catalogue, 301 horses this year, and expanded the sale to two high-class days."

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GAIN TO SPONSOR NEW CURRAGH RACE SERIES

GAIN Equine Nutrition will sponsor a series of three 2-year-old races at The Curragh billed as the "Champion Collection", the racecourse announced on Tuesday. The company initially sponsored the G1 Irish St Leger in 2012, switched to sponsoring the G2 Railway S. in 2014 and added the Listed First Flier S. in 2020. The G3 Marble Hill S. will be added to GAIN's sponsorship portfolio for the first time this term. In addition, the winning horse from the GAIN Railway S. will receive a free entry into the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S.

Joanne Hurley, Irish Country Manager, GAIN Equine Nutrition noted, "We are delighted to strengthen our support of The Curragh racecourse this year by launching the Champion Collection series. This partnership has grown over the years and truly reinforces GAIN's commitment to both the racing and bloodstock industries. We have enjoyed an excellent long-standing relationship with The Curragh and look forward to three very keenly-contested races."

Evan Arkwright, Racing and Sponsorship Manager, commented, "We are excited to extend our very valued partnership with GAIN this year. There is already a natural synergy between all three races consistently attracting some of the best juveniles in Europe, so we are delighted to be able to officially link them through their generous sponsorship."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, Apr. 14, 2021:

UNITED KINGDOM

Aclaim (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), The National Stud
115 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
13:15-NEWMARKET, 5f, Banana (GB)
13:40-BEVERLEY, 5f, Noble Albert (GB)

Ardad (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Overbury Stud
91 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
13:15-NEWMARKET, 5f, Beautiful Sunshine (GB)
52,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; £34,000 Goffs

UK Premier Yearling Sale 2020

14:15-BEVERLEY, 5f, Honorah (GB)
 2,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; £840 RNA
 Tattersalls Ascot Yearling Sale, Newmarket
 14:15-BEVERLEY, 5f, Vintage Clarets (GB)
 £20,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2020

Cotai Glory (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Tally-Ho Stud
 126 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 13:15-NEWMARKET, 5f, Devious Angel (Ire)
 15,239gns Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2020
 14:15-BEVERLEY, 5f, Stardust Gambler (Ire)
 3,810gns Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2020

Divine Prophet (Aus) (Choisir {Aus}), Tara Stud
 29 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 13:40-BEVERLEY, 5f, Ercolano (Ire)
 £10,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2020

Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
 136 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 13:15-NEWMARKET, 5f, Reel of Fortune (Ire)
 5,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2020

Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Kildangan Stud
 118 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 13:15-NEWMARKET, 5f, Indian Guru (Ire)
 £60,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2020



Highland Reel has a runner at Newmarket on Wednesday | Coolmore

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

DAUGHTER OF AGAIN DEBUTS AT LEOPARDSTOWN

2.00 Leopardstown, Mdn, €15,000, 3yo, f, 10fT
SURELY (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) is one of two from Ballydoyle alongside the Listed Staffordstown Stud S. third **La Joconde (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}), but unlike that half-sister to Santiago (Ire) (Authorized {Ire}) comes into this without racecourse experience. A daughter of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Again (Ire) (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}), she is a full-sister to the dual Group 1-placed Delphinia (Ire) and multiple group-placed Delano Roosevelt (Ire).

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BRITAIN

Wednesday, Newmarket, post time: 14:25

BET365 EUROPEAN FREE H.-Listed, £35,000, 3yo, 7fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	1 Ontario (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	A O'Brien	R Moore	133
2	2 Naval Crown (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	C Appleby	Buick	132
3	3 Tactical (GB)	Toronado (Ire)	Balding	Murphy	131
4	4 Royal Scimitar (Ire)	Territories (Ire)	Cox	Kirby	127
5	5 Dark Lion (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Varian	Egan	124
6	6 Legal Attack (GB)	Shalaa (Ire)	S&E Crisford	J Doyle	124
7	7 Percy's Lad (GB)	Sir Percy (GB)	Johnson Houghton	Bishop	124

Tuesday's Results:

BET365 FEILDEN S.-Listed, £30,000, Newmarket, 4-13, 3yo, 9fT, 1:48.23, gd.

1--HIGHLAND AVENUE (IRE), 126, c, 3, by Dubawi (Ire)

1st Dam: Lumiere (GB) (Hwt. 2yo Filly-Eng, G1SW-Eng, \$329,674), by Shamardal

2nd Dam: Screen Star (Ire), by Tobougg (Ire)

3rd Dam: Actoris, by Diesis (GB)

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby; J-James Doyle. £17,013. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$62,725.

2--Secret Protector, 126, c, 3, War Front--Eternal Bounty (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). (\$800,000 Ylg '19 KESEP). O-Godolphin; B-R. S. Evans (KY); T-Charlie Appleby. £6,450.

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3--Royal Champion (Ire), 126, c, 3, Shamardal--Emirates Queen (GB), by Street Cry (Ire). O/B-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum (IRE); T-Roger Varian. £3,228.



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Margins: 1 1/4, 6, HD. Odds: 4.50, 4.50, 2.00.

Also Ran: Youth Spirit (Ire), Fancy Man (Ire), Gentleman Joe (GB), New Treasure (Ire), Arturo Toscanini (Ire).

Successful in two of his first three starts on Kempton's Polytrack, Highland Avenue was particularly impressive when taking the Mar. 3 "Road To The Kentucky Derby" Conditions S. given that he had to overcome a tardy start. Much more sprightly from the break in this debut on turf, the grey tracked the leading duo before taking over approaching the two-furlong pole. Chased down by stablemate Secret Protector from there, he gave generously as the pair pulled clear of a smart field.



Highland Avenue receives a pat from James Doyle after winning the Listed Feilden S. | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

"To be fair, he hasn't done anything wrong in his career and just found it a little bit sharp first time," jockey James Doyle said of the homebred, whose dam enjoyed her finest hour at this venue when winning the G1 Cheveley Park S. and is a full-sister to the GI E. P. Taylor S. heroine Sheikha Reika (Fr) (Shamardal). "He's a sleeper at home and not flashy in his work, but he'd shown enough and has improved on the track. He quickened up well in the Kentucky Derby race and has mentally improved throughout each run. He'll probably come back in distance after today, I was surprised how well he travelled and he responded a bit sharper than I thought he would. Charlie said we should take our time with him and I think he'll come on massively for that."

Appleby is keen to avoid over-facing the winner for now and added, "He is doing everything the right way--we are not trying to achieve too much too soon with him. He is very much a horse that might not jump straight into the deep end just yet. Physically, he is a big horse. Each run he is tightening up and skeletally is strengthening up well. He has got to do a stalls test now, as I've taken a ticket with him the last three occasions, but I'm sure it will be fine. The second horse has added substance to it. It was a hard choice for William [Buick], but he had ridden Secret Protector and not this one so he stuck with him. He is a horse that is probably crying out for a bit further. As this horse

mentally sharpens up, he will get physically sharper and he will get quicker. At this moment, I think a Guineas might be too much. I don't want to lose this horse just by rolling the dice with him, as he has got an engine."

Lumiere's 2-year-old filly is by [Galileo \(Ire\)](#), while she also has a 2020 filly by [Sea the Stars \(Ire\)](#). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#)

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1st-Newmarket, £8,050, Mdn, 4-13, 3yo, c/g, 7ft, 1:24.09, gd. CAROLUS MAGNUS (IRE) (g, 3, [Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}](#)--[Izola {GB}](#), by [Beat Hollow {GB}](#)), who was a Mar. 28 debut third over this trip at Doncaster in his only prior start, broke smartly and raced on the lead from flagfall here. Holding sway throughout, the 11-2 chance was shaken up at the quarter-mile marker and ridden out on the climb to the line to comfortably hold [Magical Land \(Ire\)](#) ([Frankel {GB}](#)) by 1 3/4 lengths. He is the third of four surviving foals and second scorer produced by a winning half-sister to Listed [Blenheim S. victor Brick By Brick \(Ire\)](#) ([Big Bad Bob {Ire}](#)). The April-foaled bay is half to a yearling filly by [Havana Grey \(GB\)](#). Sales history: €38,000 Ylg '19 TIRSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$6,902. O-Kennet Valley Thoroughbreds III; B-Peter & Hugh McCutcheon (IRE); T-Andrew Balding.

6th-Newcastle, £5,600, Mdn, 4-13, 3yo/up, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:39.67, st/sl.

CORDOUAN (FR) (c, 3, [Shalaa {Ire}](#)--[Piler Lann {Fr}](#), by [Le Havre {Ire}](#)), second last time over seven furlongs here in October, raced freely throughout the early stages behind the leader. Left in front passing three out, the 11-8 favourite stayed on strongly despite his earlier antics to record an emphatic 5 1/2-length defeat of [Malhoob \(Kitten's Joy\)](#). The dam, who has a 2-year-old full-brother to the winner, is a half to the GII [Wise Dan S. scorer Pleuven \(Fr\)](#) ([Turtle Bowl {Ire}](#)) and to the dam of the listed winner [Plegastell \(Fr\)](#) ([Planteur {Ire}](#)). Sales history: €101,000 Ylg '19 ARAUG; £105,000 2yo '20 GOFARQ. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$8,593. **Video, sponsored by TVG.** O-Sheikh Hamed Dalmook Al Maktoum; B-S.N.C. Ecurie de Castillon & S.C.E.A. des Prairies & J Aime (FR); T-John Gosden.

FIRST WINNER FOR SIRE

2nd-Newmarket, £8,000, Novice, 4-13, 2yo, 5ft, :59.70, gd. FORCA BRASIL (IRE) (c, 2, [Cotai Glory {GB}](#)--[Naias {Ire}](#), by [Namid {GB}](#)), sent off at 4-1, tracked the early pace before slipping between rivals to gain the lead with a furlong remaining. Asserting for a 3/4-of-a-length verdict over [Love de Vega \(Ire\)](#) ([Lope de Vega {Ire}](#)), the chestnut became the first winner for Tally Ho Stud's first-season sire (by [Exceed and Excel {Aus}](#)).

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2nd-Newmarket Cont.

Trainer George Boughey said, “He’s a lovely horse who has always shown a lot of raw pace and is a true professional. “He likes fast ground and he’s top of our colts at the moment--we’ve got none faster than him.” The winner, a half-brother to last year’s G3 Mercury S. and Listed Windsor Castle S. third Muker (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), is out of a half to the classy pair of Danehill Dancer (Ire) sprinters Snaefell (Ire) and Daganya (Ire), with the latter in turn responsible for Degraives (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**) who captured the G3 Eyrefield S. Sales history: €6,500 Wlg ‘19 GOFNOV; 60,000gns Ylg ‘20 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,938.

O-Amo Racing Limited; B-Mr Joe & June Staunton (IRE); T-George Boughey.

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HANDICAP RESULT:

6th-Newmarket, £20,000, 4-13, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:23.75, gd.

DOUBLE OR BUBBLE (IRE) (f, 4, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Mango Lady {GB}, by Dalakhani {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$29,758. O-Salah Fustok; B-Deerfield Farm (IRE); T-Chris Wall.

*Full to Mix and Mingle (Ire), GSW-Eng, \$150,330.

FRANCE

Tuesday’s Results:

2nd-Chantilly, €27,000, Mdn, 4-13, unraced 2yo, 5fT, 1:01.49, vsf.

HAVE A GOOD DAY (IRE) (f, 2, Adaay {Ire}--Black Meyeden {Fr}, by Black Minnaloushe) recovered from an early brush exiting the outside stall and occupied a forward slot after the initial strides of this unveiling. Coming under pressure at halfway, the 20-1 chance was ridden to challenge entering the final furlong and kept on well for continued urging to assert by 2 1/2 lengths from stablemate Aint Misbehaving (Ire) (Cotai Glory {GB}). Kin to a yearling colt, she is the sixth of seven foals and second scorer produced by a half-sister to Listed Prix Djebel third Indigo Blue (Fr) (Night Shift) and G3 Concorde S. runner-up Hasanat (GB) (Night Shift), herself the dam of G3 Killavullan S. third Takrice (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Mme Theresa Marnane; B-Michael Phelan (IRE); T-Florian Guyader.



Forca Brasil scampers home to become the first winner for his first-season sire. | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Chantilly, €28,000, Cond, 4-13, 3yo, 12fT, 2:39.91, vsf. SOLDIER RISING (GB) (g, 3, Frankel {GB}--Sahrawi {Ger} {SW-Fr & SP-Eng, \$158,438}, by Pivotal {GB}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, €30,580. O-Ballymore Thoroughbred Ltd; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre. *240,000gns RNA Ylg '19 TATOCT.

3rd-Chantilly, €28,000, Cond, 4-13, 4yo/up, 5fT, :59.47, vsf. BERNEUIL (IRE) (g, 4, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Derivatives {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, €39,925. O-Antoine Gilibert; B-Ecurie La Vallee Martigny (IRE); T-Carlos & Yann Lerner. *€40,000 Ylg '18 AROCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Detesnouvelles (Fr), f, 2, Territories (Ire)--Vega Dance (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (IRE). Tarbes, 4-13, 5 1/2T, :58.60. B-Haras du Cadran & Alain Decrion (FR).

Masterboy (Fr), c, 3, Adelphos (Fr)--Miss Anelia (Fr), by Majorien (GB). Tarbes, 4-13, 7 1/2fT, 1:33.40. B-Haras d'Haspel (FR).

Privilege (Fr), f, 3, Elusive City--Helen Fourment (GB), by Dutch Art (GB). Tarbes, 4-13, 7 1/2fT, 1:32.80. B-SARL Jedburgh Stud & Cyril Humphris (FR). *€10,000 Ylg '19 AROCT. **1/2 to Mon Ami l'Ecoissais (Fr) (Orpen), MSP-Fr, \$207,462.

JAPANESE GROUP 1 RACES – 2021

Date	Race	Track
Apr. 18	Satsuki Sho (2000 Guineas)	Nakayama
May 2	Tenno Sho (Spring)	Hanshin
May 9	NHK Mile Cup	Tokyo
May 16	Victoria Mile	Tokyo
May 23	Yushun Himba (Oaks)	Tokyo
May 30	Tokyo Yushun (Derby)	Tokyo
June 6	Yasuda Kinen	Tokyo
June 27	Takarazuka Kinen	Hanshin
Oct. 3	Sprinters' S.	Nakayama
Oct. 17	Shuka Sho	Hanshin
Oct. 24	Kikuka Sho (St Leger)	Hanshin
Oct. 31	Tenno Sho (Autumn)	Tokyo
Nov. 14	Queen Elizabeth II Cup	Hanshin
Nov. 21	Mile Championship S.	Hanshin
Nov. 28	Japan Cup	Tokyo

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Shaman at Yeomanstown Stud

Wednesday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 15.00

BET365 EARL OF SEFTON S.-G3, £45,000, 4yo/up, 9fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	6	Forest of Dean (GB)	Iffraaj (GB)	J&T Gosden	Buick	129
2	5	Global Giant (GB)	Shamardal	J&T Gosden	Dettori	126
3	4	Marie's Diamond (Ire)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Johnston	de Sousa	126
4	1	My Oberon (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Haggas	J Doyle	126
5	3	San Donato (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Varian	Atzeni	126
6	2	Solid Stone (Ire)	Shamardal	Stoute	R Moore	126

Wednesday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 15.35

LANWADES STUD NELL GWYN S.-G3, £45,000, 3yo, f, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	9	Chocoya (GB)	Sepoy (Aus)	Palmer	J Doyle	126
2	10	Divine Light (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	C Appleby	Buick	126
3	1	Love Is You (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Charlton	J Watson	126
4	2	Mamba Wamba (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Nicholls	Hamilton	126
5	3	Sacred (GB)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Haggas	R Moore	126
6	8	Saffron Beach (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	J Chapple-Hyam	Kirby	126
7	4	Seattle Rock (GB)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Kirk	Murphy	126
8	7	Star of Emaraaty (Ire)	Pride of Dubai (Aus)	J&T Gosden	Dettori	126
9	5	Tawahub (GB)	Kingman (GB)	J&T Gosden	Crowley	126
10	6	Ventura Diamond (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Fahey	de Sousa	126

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Lot	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Sale	Buyer
85	F	Showcasing x Shemda	100,000	TATOCT2	Grove Stud
86	C	El Kabeir x Shes Ranger	23,600	GOFORB	Vendor
87	C	Dandy Man x Shesthebiscuit	12,500	TATIRENOV	Con Marnane
89	C	Exceed And Excel x Shyrl	95,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
90	C	Practical Joke x Sky Saver	75,000	FTAUG	Thomas Whitehead
91	F	Camelot x Spiritual Praise	34,220	TATIRESEP	Vendor
93	C	Sea The Moon x St Aye	44,250	GOFORB	Meadowview Stables (P.S.)
94	C	Profitable x Starletina	12,000	TATOCT2	Thomond O'Mara
96	C	Aclaim x Step Sequence	68,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
98	C	Showcasing x Sunny York	30,000	TATOCT3	CJW BS
99	C	Gormley x Surf Ride	8,000	FTOCT	Hyde Park Stud
101	C	Showcasing x Swirral Edge	65,000	TATDECY	Opulence / R Ryan
103	F	Kodi Bear x Taqneyya	18,000	GUKPRM	Aguiar BS
104	C	Ribchester x Tarando	21,000	TATOCT3	J B BS
105	C	Dark Angel x Tawayna	75,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
106	C	Siyouni x The Wagon Wheel	50,000	TATOCT2	Stroud Coleman BS
108	C	Union Rags x Tiz Imaginary	40,000	KEESEP	Old Pals Bloodstock
109	C	Street Boss x Tizacity	67,000	FTOCT	Wycombe House
110	C	Footstepsinthesand x To Shine	28,000	GUKPRM	Vendor
111	C	Nathaniel x Topaze Blanche	10,000	ARQOCT	Pegasus Bloodstock
112	C	Distorted Humor x Trophy Point	50,000	KEESEP	MC Bloodstock
113	C	Bated Breath x Typhoon Della	75,000	GOFNOV	JC BS
114	C	Showcasing x Vayasa	25,000	TATOCT2	Vendor
115	C	Ribchester x Venus de Medici	40,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
116	C	Kodiac x Village Fete	105,000	TATDEC	Vendor
117	C	Night of Thunder x Vitoria	120,000	GOFNOV	Yeomanstown Stud
118	C	Mehmas x Woodland Maiden	14,160	TATIRESEP	Vendor
119	C	Ulysses x Zuhoor Baynoona	25,000	TATOCT2	JCH BS
120	F	Mastery x Adventure	110,000	KEESEP	Featherbed Bloodstock
121	C	Dark Angel x African Moonlight	41,300	GOFORB	A&B BS
123	C	Sea The Stars x Akrivi	35,000	TATOCT1	Austin Whelan
124	C	Siyouni x Alamarie	32,500	ARQOCT	AH BS (P.S.)
125	C	Profitable x Alexander Youth	24,000	GUKPRM	Star BS (P.S.)
127	F	Starspangledbanner x Allou Yialou	11,800	GOFSP0	Katie McGivern (P.S.)
128	C	Dark Angel x Along Came Casey	50,000	GUKPRM	Richard Fahey
129	C	Fast Company x Alyssum	9,440	GOFSP0	Meadowview Stables
130	F	Night of Thunder x Amami	37,000	GUKPRM	Brown Island Stables Ltd
131	C	Kodiac x An Chulainn	78,000	GOFNOV	Redpender Stud
132	F	Iffraaj x Anna Sophia	34,650	TATASCY	Dolmen BS
133	C	Dabirsim x Araca	22,000	ARQAUG	Robson Aguiar

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Lot	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Sale	Buyer
134	C	Coach House x Ares Choix	8,400	TATASCY	Aguiar BS
135	C	Siyouni x Aristocratic Lady	115,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
136	C	Exceed And Excel x Arjeed	27,140	TATIRESEP	Bushypark Stables
137	C	Prince of Lir x Barqeyya	15,000	GUKPRM	GPeckhamRacing (P.S.)
139	F	Holy Roman Emperor x Bella des Airs	7,080	TATIRESEP	Leamore Horses (P.S.)
140	C	Empire Maker x Belle Ete	40,000	FTOCT	M.C. Bloodstock
141	C	Acclamation x Border Bloom	25,000	TATOCT2	Robson Aguiar
142	C	Bernardini x Bourbonstateofmind	20,000	FTOCT	Thomond O'Mara
143	C	Caravaggio x Bright Sapphire	130,000	TATOCT1	Vendor
144	F	Havana Gold x Broughtons Revival	12,000	GUKPRM	Philippa Mains
145	C	Union Rags x Careless Jewel	115,000	KEESEP	P. B. Bloodstock
146	F	Profitable x Caessor	11,800	TATIRESEP	Kilbrew Stables
147	F	Kitten's Joy x Cat On a Tin Roof	75,000	KEESEP	Bishop Bloodstock
149	C	Night of Thunder x Clowning	75,000	TATOCT2	Kilronan (P.S.)
150	C	Hard Spun x Coal and Ice	18,000	KEESEP	Michael Cleere
153	C	Starspangledbanner x Condensed	47,200	TATIRESEP	Vendor
154	F	Kingman x Continental Drift	82,600	TATIRESEP	Greenhills Farm
155	C	Street Boss x Corinthian Wind	37,000	KEESEP	Chad Schumer, agent
156	F	Kingman x Cut Short	80,000	TATOCT1	Church Farm / Horse Park Stud
157	C	Profitable x Dame Alicia	37,760	GOFORB	Robson Aguiar
158	F	Ardad x Dame Shirley	20,000	GOFOPN	Con Marnane
159	F	Belardo x Dance Company	5,000	GOFOPN	Vendor
161	C	New Bay x Dangle	21,240	GOFSP0	Beechlawn BS
161A	C	Twilight Son x Desert Liaison	25,000	TATOCT2	JCH BS
162	F	Fast Company x Diminish	9,440	TATIRESEP	C M Stables
163	C	Holy Roman Emperor x Dirtybirdie	12,980	GOFSP0	Vendor
165	F	Kodiac x Duchess Andorra	76,700	TATIRESEP	Yeomanstown Stud
166	C	Night of Thunder x Dularama	44,100	TATASCY	Mark Grant
167	C	Profitable x Dutch Courage	55,000	GUKPRM	Mags O'Toole
168	C	Adaay x Dutch Desire	22,050	TATASCY	Con Marnane

*Information sourced from Weatherbys. **Goffs Orby, Sportsmans and Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling sale prices have been converted to Euro, BHA GBP/EUR rate of 1.18



FOUR NEW FBAA MEMBERS



Andrew Williams | TDN AusNZ

by Jessica Owers

The Federation of Bloodstock Agents Australia (FBAA) has approved four new members into its fold this week, and they are Andrew Williams, James Clarke, William Johnson and Peter Twomey.

Each will join the 24-member FBAA as accredited bloodstock agents, and will be bound by the organisation's Code of Ethics, which enforces respectable practice in the sale and purchase of bloodstock, along with other services including valuations, consultancy, management and mating advice.

Ethics and Transparency for Williams

Sydney-based Kiwi ex-pat Andrew Williams has been at the helm of Andrew Williams Bloodstock since 2017. He is associated with the purchase of horses like Verry Elleegant (NZ) (Zed {NZ}), Crosshaven (Smart Missile) and Bella Nipotina (Pride Of Dubai).

Williams said the reshaping of the FBAA in the last 12 months was the attraction in his application for membership.

"Given that it's got new shape, that's what caught my interest in joining," he said. "The fact that there's going to be a much more professional and collective approach to it with transparency is a good thing, and I don't know if it will assist in generating new business at all, but it brings a bit more professionalism to my role."

Williams said he was comfortable trading in the capacity he was formerly in, but added that the FBAA was an added layer to the game.

"It's a great initiative," he said. "It highlights transparency and ethics to encourage business through bloodstock agents, and especially young agents that want to have longevity in the industry."

Clarke Held to Account

James Clarke, of Clarke Bloodstock, has been an agent since September 2018, which came about after many years in senior management with Bjorn Baker Racing and Godolphin. At the recent Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale, he was involved in the buying of a number of yearlings, amounting to \$1.37 million in bloodstock.

In a short space of time, Clarke has moved and shook on racing's top shelf, and said that the FBAA membership was an inevitable addition to the industry.

"It can only be a good thing in our profession to be part of an organisation that holds us to a code of conduct in the way we operate," he said. "Fundamentally, I think the FBAA is a very important thing for the industry, and I'm very pleased to be a part of it."

"Changes to the structure of the organisation in the last six months by Craig Rounsefell are something that I'm really excited by, and I think it's only going to continue to play a more prominent role in the industry going forward."

Young Face in Will Johnson

At 29-years-old, Will Johnson is the youngest addition to the FBAA, and the youngest accredited member. He said it was important that bloodstock agents were on the same page.



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“Integrity should be at the forefront of the industry,” he said, “and working alongside people like Craig Rounsefell and Suman Hedge, who have made the changes necessary to capture more members into the FBAA, it’s a really good thing for people like me. Those guys are only making the FBAA stronger.

Johnson began operating as a bloodstock agent in late 2019. Before that, he spent time with Lindsay Park, and then Roger Varian and Luca Cumani in the UK. In 2017 he moved into bloodstock, slotting into the footsteps of Irish agent Hubie de Burgh.

“The likes of Dermot Farrington and James Harron have worked with Hubie and have both gone on to be leading agents,” Johnson said. “Being in my late 20s, I just thought I was at the right age to come back to Australia and establish myself under my own name. Recent changes to the FBAA have signalled a new chapter for the organisation, so I was happy to have joined.”

Protecting Investors at Wattle

Wagga Wagga-based agent Peter Twomey established Wattle Bloodstock in 2017 after nine years with Inglis and, before that, previous experience in the hands of Vin Cox and Damon

Gabbedy. He brings a seasoned presence to the FBAA, with up to 90% of his business pointed at the Asian market.

“I’ve known about the FBAA for a number of years,” Twomey said. “I was very buoyed by the appointment of Boomer (Rounsefell), and what he and the others are instituting to boost the profile of the Federation and give it a bit more teeth.”

Twomey is a registered stock and station agent in NSW, but he said that having a professional bloodstock organisation with clout was something he was very interested in. He added that the injection of change into the FBAA was exciting.

“It’s not that the Federation wasn’t doing a good job in the past,” Twomey said. “But I think getting it up to modern standards has been great, and of course integrity has been key. Being able to ensure that agents are held accountable and operating within best practice is important.”

Twomey said the last three to six months have flagged the importance of regulation.

“We’ve seen some really big figures in terms of what horses are selling for,” he said. “In my time, I’ve seen a couple of things go wrong, not necessarily from an agent’s point-of-view, but from within the industry with people doing wrong by buyers. It’s really frustrating to see that, because you do lose investors really quickly if they get a bad experience, and that affects everyone.”

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