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Mandaloun (inside) in last year's dramatic Haskell | Sarah Andrew

by Chris McGrath

Fastest two minutes in sport? You'll excuse us a bitter laugh here. By the time Mandaloun (Into Mischief) leaves the gate Saturday for the GIII Louisiana S., he'll be 382,968 minutes into a GI Kentucky Derby without end. And, with no sign of anyone putting their attorneys back in the holster, it's plainly going to be a while yet before we know whether Mandaloun will finally be anointed the 147th winner of a race that drives so many millions of dollars of investment in our industry.

As things stand, we're potentially looking at one of the luckiest animals in Turf history: a dual Grade I winner who has yet to pass the post first in a Grade I race. He was last seen, of course, in that dramatic Haskell S., which fell into his lap after Hot Rod Charlie (Oxbow) was disqualified for his tangle with Midnight Bourbon (Tiznow). The latter, conversely, has accumulated a dispiriting sequence of near-misses since his last visit to the winner's circle, on this card last year, in the GIII Lecomte S.

Given our ongoing travails, and the resulting perceptions among the wider public, our community owes a great debt to Midnight Bourbon for his balletic recovery from the brink of catastrophe at Monmouth Park. As a potential lifeline for the precarious Man o' War line, moreover, he should in due course offer another valuable service in the replication, at stud, of that extraordinary athleticism. **Cont. p3**

ATTORNEY: SANCHEZ WAS GAMBLING AS OUTLET TO BATTLE DEPRESSION

by Bill Finley

Jockey Mychel Sanchez, who has been suspended 60 days by the Pennsylvania Racing Commission for betting on horses other than the ones he rode, is not a cheat or a race-fixer, his attorney told the *TDN* Friday. Rather, said lawyer Alan Pincus, Sanchez was dealing with a serious case of depression and took to gambling as an outlet. Pincus said that in all instances Sanchez tried his best to win the races in question, whether he had bet against his own horse or not.

"It was clear he was giving his best effort," Pincus said. "He was not fixing races. He won several of the races in which he bet against his horses. The horse paid \$37 in one race, \$27 in another. He was just doing something crazy that only a psychiatrist can explain." **Cont. p6**

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We're not going to run out of sons of Into Mischief any time soon. One way or another, a lot of neutrals will be heading to Midnight Bourbon's corner as the two rivals attempt a personal reset in what will, on the anniversary of their first, be their sixth showdown. But you have to feel sympathy for Mandaloun, too. At the best of times, finishing second in the Derby is a bittersweet distinction. It's one that has been shared by some great names, for instance Native Dancer and Nashua within a couple of years of each other, as well as by many that can only make you scratch your head. And nobody, regardless, would want to satisfy a lifetime quest in quite this way, as connections of **Country House** (**Lookin At Lucky**) will doubtless attest.

On the day, their horse proved better equipped for the



Midnight Bourbon's last visit to the winner's circle was in the 2021 Lecomte | Hodges Photography

defining challenge of the American Thoroughbred than all bar one of 20,000-odd other foals in his crop. **Country House** was desperately unlucky to be denied any further opportunity of wresting attention from that ever-distracting horse, **Maximum Security** (New Year's Day). Set for a relaunch at four, only to be derailed by laminitis in February, he duly finds himself standing on most generous terms (despite being inbred to the matriarch No Class) at Darby Dan. If there's any justice, someday one of his sons will secure him overdue respect in the Derby.

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Pappacap prior to his second in the 2021 BC Juvenile | Horsephotos

But no graduate of the Fair Grounds Classic rehearsals has lately made a greater impact than **Gun Runner**--for whom the Lecomte, through Pappacap and Cyberknife, now represents the first big test of the theory that his stud debut was especially

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As his second-ever winner, Pappacap was among the most precocious of the surprisingly precocious gang that secured **Gun Runner** the freshman title; but the Rustlewood Farm homebred can be expected to consolidate on both sides of his pedigree. His mother achieved her only graded stakes placing at the end of her third campaign; his second and third dams, unusually enough, are both by sons of that doughty

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It's a big day, then, for the Winchell family, who stand **Gun Runner** with Three Chimneys and will be hoping to see Midnight Bourbon elaborate his own stud credentials. Because they also present the most obvious danger to **Gun Runner's** Lecomte pair in Epicenter (**Not This Time**), whose apt emergence in the **Gun Runner S.** over Christmas showed him to be very comfortable with pouring the speed coals into this hot surface.

Throw into the mix Trafalgar (Lord Nelson), a promising flagship for his classy hometown barn, and this looks another instructive edition of the Lecomte S. I love the cyclical nature of the Classic trail, with all its familiar staging points, coast to coast; and the return to the same card of two of the 2021 protagonists marks another ring through the trunk of the great old Triple Crown tree.

Because it's never really just about those two breathless minutes in Louisville. Those are the tiny apex of a huge pyramid that spreads out through the patient dreams of so many different people, past and present.

With everything that's going on--condensed by the tragedy of the horse that held off Mandaloun in the Derby--we must always conduct ourselves with due respect for the generations of predecessors who made our sport what it is. This race, remember, is named for the only horse ever to beat Lexington. And if we don't prove worthy of our heritage, in the perennial quest for a Derby colt, someday we will suddenly find that it's two minutes to midnight.

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Sanchez suspended cont. from p1

With Sanchez's main track, Parx, dark Friday, the jockey was listed on two mounts at Laurel. After the Maryland Racing Commission learned of the Pennsylvania suspension, Sanchez was taken of his mounts. The Maryland Jockey Club and 1/ST RACING issued a statement later in the day in which it said Sanchez has been banned indefinitely.

"After learning of the serious allegations of illegal wagering on the part of jockey Mychel Sanchez, effective immediately 1/ST RACING will institute an indefinite ban against him from training or racing at any 1/ST RACING venue," read a statement issued by 1/ST RACING. "Any decision regarding Sanchez's reinstatement will be made at a later time. 1/ST RACING stands on the principles of integrity and accountability, and we believe there is no place in our sport for this kind of unethical and illegal activity."



Mychel Sanchez | Sarah Andrew

Tom Chuckas, the director of the Thoroughbred division of the Pennsylvania Racing Commission, was not available to the media. A call to his office went to voice mail and no one returned the call from the TDN seeking comment. There was

nothing related to Sanchez's suspension on the page on the Pennsylvania Racing Commission's website listing rulings. An official ruling will likely be issued following a regularly scheduled commission meeting next week.

Should Chuckas ever make himself available, he will likely be asked to explain what appears to be a serious offense resulted in a suspension of just 60 days.

"Mychal is a straight shooter and he has worked hard and

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He continued, "And he was not doing anything to deal with it. He was just turning inward. He turned to gambling on the races for a very short period of time. I'm not a psychiatrist, but he was doing this to numb the pain."

Pincus said that Sanchez opened a TVG account in his own name and began betting Dec. 23 and made his last bets Jan. 3. He went six for 28 during that period. During that time he also rode at Aqueduct and at Laurel. Pincus said he was not sure whether or not Sanchez also bet against his mounts in New York and Maryland or just at Parx. If he bet against himself in New York or in Maryland, he could face additional penalties from those states.

"We will look into this," said J. Michael Hopkins, the executive director of the Maryland Racing Commission. "But right now he's suspended in Pennsylvania, so there's no need to be in a rush because he doesn't ride here regularly. But we will definitely take a look at it."

TVG employees noticed that the jockey had been betting against his own horses and notified the appropriate racing commissions.

Having, through his lawyer, admitted that he bet against his own horses, Sanchez will not fight the suspension.

"He was suspended 60 days starting [Friday] to the 21st of March," Pincus said. "Obviously, it was warranted. We are not going to appeal this."

Pincus said that Sanchez has already enrolled in a problem gambling program and has also sought out psychiatric help.

"He just did something because of a mental problem," Pincus said. "People are responsible for their own actions, but he has to be viewed with sympathy."

Sanchez began riding in the U.S. in 2013 and was the leading rider at Parx in 2020. According to Equibase, he's won 940 races from 6,097 mounts.

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FULL DAY OF TESTIMONY IN FISHMAN TRIAL

By Robert Gearty

A New York jury heard a full day of testimony Jan. 21 in the horse doping trial of Dr. Seth Fishman and Lisa Giannelli. The entire morning and most of the afternoon featured a second day of testimony from a woman who worked for Fishman at his Florida business Equestology for five years.

Courtney Adams, 34, testifying from Florida via video conference, told jurors that Fishman and Equestology were all about "testability." That meant creating "product" that couldn't be detected in post-race testing by horse racing authorities, she said.

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During her testimony in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, prosecutors showed an email in which a veterinarian who was a client of Equestology asked about one of the products, equine growth hormone, and whether it was testable.

"That was our biggest selling point, that he specialized in making product that wasn't testable," Adams testified, referring to Fishman. The witness, who had been an Equestology office manager and then a sales rep, said that Fishman told her there was a risk of regulators coming up with a test to detect the substance. If that happened, Fishman said he would have to create another product that would be undetectable, she said. "That was the whole point of that product to be not testable," Adams testified.

Fishman and Giannelli face conspiracy charges in a wide-ranging scheme to dope horses with performance-

enhancing drugs to boost the treated horses' chances of winning races. Those charged include prominent trainer Jason Servis, who has maintained a not guilty plea and is awaiting trial.

Others, such as trainer Jorge Navarro, have pled guilty and been sentenced.

Prosecutors say the accused were motivated by greed to win races and acted without regard to the welfare and safety of horses.

While on the stand, Adams admitted helping to mislabel products that Fishman created for clients around the country and in the United Arab Emirates. She said she also shipped vials of product without any labels.

Under questioning by prosecutor Andrew Adams, the witness said that she knew "in

general terms" that some of those who purchased Fishman's drugs were horse trainers.

"He would discuss why they wanted them and why they were being used by them," she testified.



Seth Fishman outside the courthouse Friday | Bryan Smith

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"And did he say why they were being used by trainers?" the prosecutor asked.

"He said they were being used because they were untestable," Adams replied.

The jury also heard the witness cite the names of some of the drugs Equestology sold. Those products included Endurance, Bleeder, Hormone Therapy Pack, HP Bleeder Plus, and PSDS.

Adams testified that PSDS stood for Pain Shot Double Strength, describing it as a "double strength product for pain."

She indicated she didn't know what the other substances were for. Adams said she stopped working for Equestology in 2017.

"I was over it to be honest," Adams testified. "I didn't want to do it anymore."

As she left, Fishman asked her not to discuss their business with anyone, Adams noted.

"I said okay," she said.

She said in 2018 investigators with the Food and Drug Administration approached her to ask about Fishman. She said she wasn't comfortable talking to them without a lawyer.

After Fishman, Giannelli, Servis, and about two dozen others connected to horse racing were indicted in March 2020 in the doping case, Adams said a friend sent her a link with a story about the arrests. She said after reading it she contacted law enforcement.

"I read the story, and I realized they didn't have the whole story, and I felt obliged to give it to them," Adams told the jury.

She said as a result of the information she provided, government lawyers offered her a non-prosecution agreement.

During cross-examination, Fishman's attorney Maurice Sercarz sought to suggest that Adams was motivated to contact law enforcement out of personal animosity against Fishman.

She admitted that before she left Equestology, Fishman had accused her of theft and using Equestology funds to purchase personal items. She told Sercarz she was upset about those accusations "because they were false."

During his cross-examination, Giannelli's attorney, Louis Fasulo, questioned Adams about whether she would work at a place that put horses in danger. No was her response. Adams also said she didn't think she was breaking the law when labeling products she said were mislabeled.

Toward the end of the day, Long Island retired Federal Bureau of Investigation agent Angela Jett took the stand to read from notes of an interview she conducted with Fishman in 2010.

Jett said she had interviewed Fishman as a potential government witness in a \$190 million securities fraud case. That case involved a magnate named David Brooks and a body-armor company he owned on Long Island. Fishman worked for Brooks, an owner of Standardbred racehorses that competed in New York and elsewhere.



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According to the notes, Fishman told Jett that he had supplied performance-enhancing drugs to Brooks, who administered them to horses before racing.

Brooks was found guilty in 2010 of charges connected to the fraud and died in prison while serving a 17-year prison sentence. Under cross-examination by Sercarz, Jett acknowledged that her notes don't say whether Fishman learned of the doping at the time it occurred or "after the fact."

He also pointed out that Jett's notes show that when Brooks asked Fishman to dope a horse, Fishman refused.

Fishman's admissions to Jett never led to charges.

The trial resumes Jan. 24.

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FEDERAL JUDGE DISMISSES BAFFERT'S LAWSUIT AGAINST NYRA *by T.D. Thornton*

A federal judge on Friday dismissed Bob Baffert's lawsuit against the New York Racing Association (NYRA) that had alleged the Hall of Fame trainer was injured by NYRA's initial attempt to bar him back in May and again in September when it summoned him to a hearing to adjudicate his "detrimental" conduct related to repeated equine drug positives. Chief among the reasons that United States District Court (Eastern District of New York) Carol Bagley Amon dismissed the amended complaint were that some of Baffert's claims were not yet "ripe" for a federal court to rule upon them because Baffert has yet to have the NYRA exclusionary hearing that is scheduled to begin Monday, Jan. 24.

Amon also wrote that Baffert could not substantiate his claim that NYRA's actions against him amounted to wrongful interference with his business relationships—such as owners who might have moved horses out of his care—because NYRA's actions were directed at Baffert, and not his clients. "Baffert fails to explain how a state actor's truthful claims reporting a suspension are criminal or independently tortious," Amon wrote. "Even though the underlying suspension was allegedly unlawfully undertaken, NYRA's statements about that suspension were entirely accurate and do not constitute a crime or tort."

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Asked via email to comment on the Jan. 21 court order on his client's behalf, Baffert's attorney, W. Craig Robertson III, wrote the following:

"The primary purpose of the federal court action was to obtain an injunction prohibiting NYRA [from] suspending Mr. Baffert without due process of law. We were successful in that regard and Judge Amon issued such an injunction [back in July that preliminarily lifted his suspension]--which she has now made permanent.

"As it pertains to our claims related to the renewed efforts by NYRA to suspend Mr. Baffert, Judge Amon has instructed us that we need to go through that [Jan. 24 hearing] process to see if NYRA actually affords the due process it is legally obligated to provide."

"While we are skeptical NYRA will do as required given its past conduct, we will go through the hearing as instructed by the Judge. Should NYRA not act fairly and in accordance with the law, we will have the right--and we will be prepared--to once again return to Court to seek justice," Robertson concluded.

Patrick McKenna, NYRA's Vice President of communications, countered with the emailed statement: "NYRA is gratified by Judge Amon's decision to dismiss Mr. Baffert's lawsuit in its entirety. As we have said throughout this process, NYRA's focus in this matter is protecting the integrity of the sport of Thoroughbred racing in New York. In furtherance of that goal, the NYRA administrative hearing will begin on Monday morning."

NYRA had banished the seven-time GI Kentucky Derby-winning trainer 16 days after now-deceased Medina Spirit tested positive for an overage of betamethasone while winning the May 1, 2021, Derby. In the 12 months prior to Medina Spirit's positive, four other Baffert trainees also tested positive for medication overages, two of them in Grade I stakes.

On July 14, the court granted Baffert a preliminary injunction that allowed him to race at New York's premier tracks until his lawsuit got adjudicated in full.

In the wake of that decision, NYRA drafted a new set of procedures for holding hearings and issuing determinations designed to suspend licensees who engage in injurious conduct. On Sept. 10, NYRA then summoned Baffert to appear at an exclusion hearing now scheduled for Jan. 24.

Baffert first filed a motion asking the judge to hold NYRA in civil contempt for trying to schedule such a hearing and to stay the hearing itself. When those requests were denied, he amended his original complaint to try and keep the hearing process from moving forward.

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By changing the injunction over Baffert's initial May suspension from "preliminary" to "permanent," Amon wrote that the civil rights aspect of Baffert's initial complaint is now "fully resolved."

That left five counts in the amended complaint to be adjudicated. Amon sided with NYRA by dismissing all of them.

NYRA had argued that one of the counts should have been dismissed related to a legal term called the "Younger abstention," which is a doctrine that mandates federal courts must not hear cases involving federal issues already being decided at the state level.

"Younger abstention is appropriate here," Amon wrote, noting that NYRA's upcoming administrative proceeding qualifies as a "civil enforcement" proceeding.

"A Younger-eligible civil enforcement proceeding can be a proceeding or hearing in front of an agency or committee tribunal; it does not need to take place in state court..." Amon wrote.

"NYRA's administrative proceedings resemble criminal prosecutions in the important respects identified in [a precedent]," Amon wrote. "First, the purpose of the proceeding is to determine if Baffert should be sanctioned for alleged wrongdoing..."

"Second, NYRA initiated the proceedings as a state actor. Baffert argues that NYRA cannot call itself a state adjudicative body because it has previously argued that it is not a state actor. Notably, Baffert does not argue that NYRA is not a state actor, since any such argument would be fatal to his [civil rights] claim..."

"Third, NYRA's proceeding was preceded by an investigation that culminated in the filing of formal charges," Amon wrote. "Baffert does not dispute that the Statement of Charges qualifies as formal charges. Instead, he argues that NYRA failed to conduct a satisfactory, independent investigation before bringing those charges. That argument is not persuasive."

As for the "ripeness" issue, Amon wrote: "Courts considering prudential ripeness ask first 'whether an issue is fit for judicial decision' and second 'whether and to what extent the parties will endure hardship if decision is withheld.'"

"Baffert alleges that proceeding with the hearing violates his due process rights. And as in [a precedent] it is not yet clear that the hearing will deprive Baffert of any property interest.

Although Baffert argues that NYRA has targeted Baffert for disparate treatment and that the hearing presents a 'fait accompli' of suspension, the September 10th Letter does not suspend Baffert. Whether NYRA is a biased agency and whether suspension is a 'fait accompli' will certainly be clearer after the hearing has run its course and NYRA has decided whether to suspend Baffert.

Amon also wrote that Baffert did not successfully argue that dismissing his case would cause him significant harm.

"If having to participate in an ongoing administrative hearing counted as per se hardship, courts would routinely find claims ripe while administrative hearings are ongoing," Amon wrote.

Baffert had argued that even the specter that he might be suspended from racing in New York had caused his business "significant injury."

But Amon wrote that his amended complaint "does not include allegations that the [letter summoning him to a hearing] has injured his business."

Amon added that, "Baffert alleges that one client [WinStar Farm] moved its horses because of the May suspension, and that other owners 'have indicated that they may have to move their horses away from Baffert if he cannot race in New York.'"

"These allegations do not indicate that Baffert will suffer any business injury from the ongoing hearing now that his original suspension has been lifted. And Baffert has provided no other evidence indicating an injury accruing from the specter of suspension," Amon wrote.

Amon wrote that courts can't be expected to be constantly reviewing whether or not the "cloud of official investigation" harms someone's business, because reviewing every such claim of harm would disrupt the administrative process and add to "already overcrowded court dockets."



Bob Baffert | *Benoit*

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“DENY THIS PETITION OUTRIGHT”: BLEA’S INTERIM SUSPENSION HEARING PLAYS OUT

by Dan Ross

In the formal hearing Friday morning of the Veterinary Medical Board’s petition for an interim suspension of California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) equine medical director Jeff Blea’s medical license, both sides laid out their arguments.

In short, the deputy attorney general Elaine Yan representing the veterinary board took a procedural defense of the petition, arguing that the allegations against Blea amount to violations of standards of practice within the veterinary community as codified in the veterinary medicine practice act.

“These guidelines emphasize the importance of examinations and diagnosis,” said Yan, before zeroing in on what she said is the “most important part” of the clinical guidelines.

“It states, and I quote, ‘Documentation of the use of all prescription drugs should conform to the requirements of the applicable state veterinary practice act,’” said Yan.

George Wallace, Blea’s attorney, argued that the allegations against Blea don’t meet the “extraordinary standard” that is typically required to suspend a veterinary license, and that no formal hearing on the “merit” of the allegations has yet been conducted and thus proven.

“You’ve had drunken veterinarians. You’ve had substance abusing veterinarians who you would not trust in a surgical suite. You have had grossly incompetent veterinarians who keep messing up even after the accusations have been filed,” said Wallace.

“In none of those cases has the veterinary medical board sought in interim suspension order. Dr. Blea is apparently the most dangerous veterinarian in existence in California, and the board has not articulated an actual present remotely likely danger that is posed by letting this disciplinary process go through the process of hearing the merits and a determination,” Wallace added.

Administrative law judge Nana Chin has 30 days with which to issue a written ruling on the case. According to Wallace, he expects that ruling to arrive by the end of next week.

Earlier this month, the California Veterinary Medical Board announced that an emergency hearing had resulted in an interim suspension of Blea’s veterinary license for a number of alleged offenses, including purportedly administering “dangerous drugs” to racehorses without a prior examination, without forming a diagnosis and without medical necessity.

The veterinary board also claims that Blea presents a “danger to public health, safety and welfare,” due to his oversight as equine medical director of the high-profile investigation into the death of the Bob Baffert-trained Medina Spirit (Protonico), the Kentucky Derby winner who collapsed and died after a

scheduled workout on Dec. 6 at Santa Anita.

A *TDN investigation* into the accusations leveled against Blea found a consensus among veterinary medical experts that the infractions are largely matters of poor record-keeping which rarely, if ever, rise to the level of a suspended license.

The role of equine medical director is first appointed by the dean of UC Davis, who then contracts out the appointee’s services to the CHRB.

Last week, UC Davis placed Blea on administrative leave pending a formal review of his veterinary license--this, despite the CHRB’s arguments that the position isn’t one that has historically required an active license.

At the beginning of Friday’s hearing, an attorney representing the CHRB attempted to formally participate in the hearing by arguing that the veterinary board’s actions to remove Blea from his equine medical director position constitutes regulatory overreach.

In response, deputy attorney general Michael Yi argued that it did fall within the veterinary board’s purview because the statutory definition of the position means that Blea is actively “engaging in veterinary medicine by conducting his duties.”

Judge Chin, however, said that the sole purpose of the hearing was to examine the merits of the allegations against Blea.

“This is something that will have to be dealt with at a full administrative hearing where parties can argue whether that constitutes unauthorized practice of veterinary medicine,” said Chin, about whether the equine medical director position requires an active license.

This left deputy attorney general Yan to argue that an interim suspension of Blea’s license was necessary in the event Blea returned to veterinary practice.

In doing so, Yan cited a passage of the veterinary board’s petition for an interim suspension against Blea where he’s alleged to have administered, from January 2021 through March 2021, medications to 3,225 horses. “This averages out to be 48 horses per day,” the petition states.

“The fact that he can go back to administering drugs to 50 horses a day, thousands of horses a month, at the behest of the trainer and not in the best interest of the horses, truly poses a serious danger to public and equine health if his license is restored,” said Yan.

Wallace argued that Blea, who hasn’t practiced veterinary medicine since he took over as CHRB equine medical director last year, has no intention of returning to practice in the near future.

Wallace also suggested that the judge could “fine tune” an order to deny the interim suspension for Blea so that he could resume his equine medical director post, and still prevent him from returning to medical practice.

“But you shouldn’t even get to that. You should deny this petition outright,” said Wallace. “And if you could, I would ask you to vacate the original suspension as improvidently granted retroactive to January third.”

Wallace added, “The board has not met the standard for this extraordinary imposition on quite possibly one of the finest veterinarians in America, and I would submit that this must be denied and repudiated in every way possible.”

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PAPPACAP BRINGS STRONGEST JUVENILE FORM INTO LECOMTE *by Alan Carasso*

Much to the delight of owner/breeder Rustlewood Farm and trainer Mark Casse, **Pappacap** (**Gun Runner**) will face nothing of the quality of the likes of ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ and likely Eclipse Award winner Corniche (**Quality Road**) when he makes his sophomore debut in Saturday’s GIII Lecomte S. at the Fair Grounds.

The homebred was off the board just once from five runs in 2021, winning the GII Best Pal S. by open lengths at second asking before completing the exacta underneath the OBS April topper when beaten 3 1/4 lengths in the GI **American Pharoah** S. Oct. 1 and again in the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile at Del Mar Nov. 5, where he sat a perfect trip, but could not quite match strides late and was 1 3/4 lengths adrift at the wire.

Casse is a two-time Lecomte winner, having unsaddled future Classic winner **War of Will** (**War Front**) in 2019 and Enforceable (**Tapit**) the following January.

“I never questioned where I wanted to go after the Breeders’ Cup,” Casse said. “I feel really comfortable at Fair Grounds. We had a lot of success over that track. I think it’s a great atmosphere and I have a lot of confidence in [assistant trainer] David Carroll. I think the track there suits him. He’s a horse that wants to settle a little bit and not have to hustle a whole lot. He gets over the ground really well there.”



Pappacap | Breeders' Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

Midnight Bourbon (Tiznow), who runs one race prior to the Lecomte this weekend (*see below*), won last year’s event for Winchell Thoroughbreds and Steve Asmussen and that formidable duo will be represented here by **Epicenter** (**Not This Time**). A speed-and-fade sixth in his seven-furlong debut at Churchill Sept. 18, he overcame the widest gate in a field of 10 to graduate by 3 1/2 lengths going the one-turn mile Nov. 13. The second choice to the dramatically overbet Rocket Dawg (**Classic Empire**) in the first running of the **Gun Runner** S. Dec. 26, the bay prompted the pace of **Surfer Dude** (**Curlin**) to the outside and powered home to take it by 6 1/2 lengths. Joel Rosario, who broke the colt’s maiden, is back aboard this weekend.

Trafalgar (Lord Nelson) is an interesting new shooter for trainer Al Stall, Jr. and Andrea Pollack’s Columbine Stable. The \$100,000 FTKSEL yearling turned \$310,000 OBS April breezer was a distant runner-up to the impressive and subsequently GISP Classic Causeway (Giant’s Causeway) sprinting on Saratoga debut Sept. 4, then rallied stoutly--albeit with a strong pace to chase--to don cap and gown by 2 1/4 lengths in a one-mile test at Churchill Oct. 2. Conservatively spotted in a first-level allowance over course and distance Dec. 2, Trafalgar attended a much softer pace, looked in all sorts of trouble as first-out winner Naval Aviator (**Tapit**) rolled up to him late, but turned back that bid to score by a hard-fought head.

“He clearly waited on horses from the three-sixteenths to the sixteenth

[pole],” Stall, Jr. said. “Here comes a Brad Cox horse [Naval Aviator] with a full head of steam, and I’m thinking, ‘well there goes a 3-5 shot down the drain,’ but he just re-engaged when he saw him and had to run hard the last part. I like the fact that he went from lollygagging around straight to fighting.”

Cyberknife (**Gun Runner**) is another with a two-turn victory to his credit, having idled in the final stages before clinging on for a half-length maiden breaker over track and trip on Dec. 26. Trainer Brad Cox adds blinkers to try to sharpen to colt’s focus.

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MILLIONAIRES MANDALOUN, MIDNIGHT BOURBON SQUARE OFF IN LOUISIANA



Mandaloun winning Monmouth's Pegasus S. last June | Sarah Andrew

by Alan Carasso

Juddmonte's '**TDN Rising Star**' **Mandaloun** (Into Mischief) and Winchell Thoroughbreds' hard-knocking **Midnight Bourbon** (Tiznow) face each other for the fifth time in their careers, each using Saturday's GIII Louisiana S. at a possible stepping stone to the \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup in Riyadh Feb. 26.

Mandaloun makes his first start since a late-season injury derailed any hopes of making the Breeders' Cup at Del Mar. Winner of half of his six starts at three, the bay was upset by Midnight Bourbon in the GIII Lecomte S. on this program last year before turning the tables in the GII Risen Star S. the following month. A dull sixth behind Hot Rod Charlie (Oxbow) and Midnight Bourbon in the GII Louisiana Derby, the strapping bay ran Medina Spirit (Protonico) to a half-length at odds of 26-1 in the GI Kentucky Derby and may yet be declared that race's official winner. Having passed on the rest of the Triple Crown, Mandaloun was the narrow winner of the June 13 Pegasus S. at Monmouth and was the chief beneficiary when Midnight Bourbon was interfered with in the GI TVG.com Haskell S., crossing the line a nose behind Hot Rod Charlie before being put up.

"Listen, I'm not going to tell you that he's working better than ever because he's always a very, very good work horse to begin with," said trainer Brad Cox. "I think anybody that watched him train up to the Kentucky Derby could believe the way he ran the way he was training. He's definitely working as well as he was leading up to the Derby, or the Haskell, so we're in a good spot with him. I think this is a race that makes a lot of sense as far as getting back racing and seeing how it goes."

Midnight Bourbon failed to recover from a slow start in the Run for the Roses, but finished a creditable sixth ahead of a

runner-up effort in the GI Preakness S. Nailed by **Essential Quality** (Tapit) in the final strides of the GI **Runhappy** Travers S. in August, the bay was second to Hot Rod Charlie in the GI Pennsylvania Derby after some more stretch shenanigans and closed the season with a third as the favorite behind **Maxfield** (**Street Sense**) in the GI Clark S. back in Louisville Nov. 26. Blinkers go on for the first time this weekend.

"As good as he's been, I think there is more there," trainer Steve Asmussen said. "It doesn't look like he's finishing [his races] off. He's not exhausted when he comes back. I think we can get a little more out of him. There is the possibility that it makes him more aggressive and that he gets in too big of a hurry. The Louisiana S. is the perfect time to try it."

Brad Cox also sends out the progressive **Warrant** (**Constitution**), last-start winner of the GIII Oklahoma Derby Sept. 26, while **Chess Chief** (Into Mischief) will be scratched in favor of a start in next weekend's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational.

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COLIC CLAIMS DAM OF VEQUIST

by Chris McGrath

A fairytale, and an authentic story of "true love", came to a heartbreaking end Thursday when Tom and Sue McGrath of Swilcan Stable lost **Vero Amore** (**Mineshaft**), the rags-to-riches dam of champion **Vequist** (**Nyquist**).

Her abrupt surrender to colic came as a terrible shock: Vero Amore was in her prime, having just turned 11, and was carrying a sister to the 2020 Eclipse Award-winning 2-year-old filly. Tom McGrath stressed his thanks to Brookdale Farm, where she was a long-term boarder, for their characteristically alert and prompt attention; and also huge sympathy for Glenn Bennet, a great friend who had bought into the mare only last summer.



Vero Amore | EQUI-PHOTO

That investment has obviously proved desperate luck, for Bennet, but equally there could be no deeper grief over Vero Amore than for McGrath, who raced her in the Swilcan silks after trainer Robert E. "Butch" Reid Jr. found her for just \$15,000 at the Timonium 2-Year-Old Sale in 2013. She managed serial stakes placings, including second in the GII Black-Eyed Susan S.

McGrath believes that her third foal, from the first crop of **Nyquist**, was never even vetted when a \$120,000 RNA at the Keeneland September Yearling Sale. Vero Amore herself, after all, was responsible for the only black-type under the first three dams. After her debut at Parx, however, there was a lot more interest and he accepted an approach from Gary Barber and Adam Wachtel while retaining a leg. McGrath duly enjoyed the ride as Vequist won the GI Spinaway S. by nearly 10 lengths and ran second in the GI Frizette S. before

confirming herself class leader at the Breeders' Cup. Though confined to a single sophomore start, she joined the Spendthrift broodmare band at Fasig-Tipton in November for \$3.4 million.

But just as the unpredictability of the Thoroughbred yielded this fantastic dividend, now McGrath has had to absorb this "gut punch" out of nowhere.

"Yes, it's a double-edged sword, isn't it?" he reflected Friday. "She was a blue-collar girl, picked up for \$15,000, and yet she's got the moxie to do all that. I don't want for much in life, but I also grew up blue-collar--and this kind of thing just doesn't happen. People spend incredible amounts of money trying to duplicate what we did on a shoestring."

He remembers Reid calling and saying: "Got a cheapie for you!"

"But he loved her," McGrath recalls. "And with these horses, you start the dream machine on the first ticket. You punch the clock and start dreaming--and she never let us down. There could be no more perfect animal. She was a sweetheart, she did everything right, she was a great mom. She didn't know what she cost, she was an all-star. The places she took us, it was just crazy."

Vero Amore was not very big, but she was a golden nugget: all heart.

"It was like a passion she had," McGrath said. "That way she thrived with her racing, the way she would always just try. That was what made me want to carry on with her. You don't just go breed, without a notion. It's not cheap: you get your monthlies, your stud fees, and it's a two- or three-year commitment. But even setting Vequist aside, this has been a whole other side of the business that a lot of people don't get to experience, and it's been wonderful to see the way people put their lives and

emotions into it all. And I'm very proud of what she achieved."

Foremost among those dedicated horsemen have been Fred Seitz and his team at Brookdale, who had some tough calls to make this week.

"The first one was a shock, for sure," McGrath said.

"But it's typical of the way they operate that they were all over it before anyone would normally be concerned. She just wasn't regular, and he was like, 'I don't like this, mares have

super immunity when they're carrying, I want to send her get to looked at.' And where better could she have been than Rood and Riddle? And it did look like she was getting better, she was on fluids, she seemed to be stabilizing. But then it suddenly went the other way."

Happily Vero Amore's propensity to throw fillies has allowed McGrath to keep all but one of her other daughters--including **'TDN Rising Star' Mainstay (Astern)**, who finished runner-up in the GIII Schuylerville S. on her second start last year, and is closing on a return to the track. So perhaps there may yet be a legacy beyond whatever Vequist can do for Spendthrift.

"Her foal was a filly, so a full sister to Vequist, and that would have been something," McGrath said. "After you take a punch you've got to get up off the canvas, dust yourself off, and walk back to the corner. But we're taking a moment out to remember her, for sure, because she was absolutely special. Sometimes when you pass the mile marker, you have to just stop, realize the beauty that's been around you, and count your blessings. That's what today is all about."



Vequist | Horsephotos

CBA ANNOUNCES 2022 BOARD

The Consignors and Commercial Breeders Association (CBA) has installed its Board of Directors for 2022. The Board consists of 15 members--eight from the top 20 consignors and seven from other consignors and commercial breeders. Each year, a portion of the Board rotates off and new, eligible CBA members replace them.

The current Board members from the Top 20 consignors are: Conrad Bandoroff, Denali Stud; Carrie Brogden, Machmer Hall Sales; Pat Costello, Paramount Sales; Liz Crow, ELiTE Sales; Walker Hancock, Claiborne Farm; Adrian Regan, Hunter Valley Farm; Allaire Ryan, Lane's End Farm; and Mark Taylor, Taylor Made Farm.

The remaining seven at-large board members include: Neal Clarke, Atlas Farm/Bedouin Bloodstock; Tommy Eastham, Legacy Bloodstock; Lynn Hancock, Stone Farm; Gray Lyster, Ashview Farm; Zach Madden, Buckland Sales; Rob Tribbett, breeder; and Sean Tugel, breeder.

Officers completing their second year of a two-year appointment are: Allaire Ryan, President; Walker Hancock, Vice President; Mark Taylor, Treasurer; and Gray Lyster, Past President.

For more on the CBA, visit www.consignorsandbreeders.com.

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The 147th running of the \$1.5-million GI Preakness S. is set for Saturday, May 21 at Pimlico Race Course. The 154th running of the \$1.5-million GI Belmont S. is scheduled for Saturday, June 11. Last year's Triple Crown nominations attracted 326 early nominees plus nine late nominations.

Horses not nominated during the early phase can be made eligible between Jan. 30-Mar. 28 with a \$6,000 payment. Any horse not nominated during either the early or late nomination phases have a final opportunity to become eligible for the races through payment of a supplemental nomination fee due at the time of entry for each Triple Crown race: Kentucky Derby (\$200,000), Preakness (\$150,000) and Belmont (\$50,000).

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EARLY TRIPLE CROWN NOMINATIONS DUE JAN. 29

Edited Press Release

Early nominations for 3-year-old Thoroughbreds to become eligible to compete in the 2022 Triple Crown series are due Saturday, Jan. 29 with a \$600 payment.

Payment for early Triple Crown nominations must be made at the time of entry on www.TheTripleCrown.com. Information regarding phone or mail-in entries can also be found on the website.

The 2022 Triple Crown opens Saturday, May 7 with the 148th running of the \$3-million GI Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve at Churchill Downs.

FRIDAY'S AQUEDUCT CARD CANCELLED DUE TO COLD

Due to extremely cold weather predicted for the New York City metropolitan area Friday, the New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA) has cancelled the Jan. 21 card at Aqueduct Racetrack. Wind chill values are expected near zero, prompting NYRA officials to cancel Friday's card in the interest of safety for horses and humans.

While Friday's eight-race card is cancelled, Aqueduct will remain open for simulcasting.

Live racing at Aqueduct is expected to resume Saturday, Jan. 22. First post for the nine-race program is 12:20 p.m.

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ANDY SERLING TO BE HONORED BY NY CHAPLAINCY



Andy Serling | Adam Coglianese

The New York Race Track Chaplaincy will honor Andy Serling for his work with the backstretch community at its 15th annual fundraising brunch, to be held Aug. 17 at Saratoga National Golf Club during the Saratoga meet. Serling is best known as a television analyst and handicapper for New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA), where he has been a member of the broadcast team since 2008. He is also the senior racing analyst on America's Day at the Races, which presents coverage of NYRA racing on the networks of FOX Sports, and as the host of NYRA's daily handicapping show Talking Horses. Serling has also hosted the Across the Board podcast since 2017.

"I love this sport and with each passing day, I have a deeper appreciation for the commitment and dedication of backstretch workers," Serling said. "The New York Race Track Chaplaincy does incredible work for our community and I'm humbled to be honored in this way."

The NY Chaplaincy serves New York's backstretch community with children's enrichment, social service, recreational, and educational programming, as well as with non-denominational religious services. "At every opportunity, Andy goes out of his way to recognize and advocate for the members of the backstretch community and he richly deserves this honor," said Humberto Chavez, the lead chaplain and executive director of the NY Chaplaincy. Previous honorees have included Anne Campbell, Edgar Prado, Michael Dubb, Fay and David Donk, Marylou Whitney and John Hendrickson, Letty and Kieran McLaughlin, Lisa and Kenny Troutt, Debbie and Terry Finley, the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, and Irad Ortiz, Jr. The honoree is presented with a print by equine artist Tom Chapman at the brunch. For more information, visit rtcanyc.org.

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TERF AWARDS \$4K TO MIDATLANTIC HORSE RESCUE

The Thoroughbred Education and Research Foundation awarded \$4,000 to the MidAtlantic Horse Rescue (MAHR), which rescues off-the-track Thoroughbreds from feed lots and kill pens, for educational purposes. TERF's mission is to support and promote equine education by supporting organizations that are educating the public on the proper care of horses. MAHR will continue to offer Thoroughbred-only clinic series at the farm with well-known professionals.

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LECOMTE S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Surfer Dude 🐾	Curlin	Stanley, Mark H. and Stanley, Nancy W.	Stewart	Gutierrez	122
2	Unified Report	Unified	Valene Farms LLC	Stewart	Lanerie	122
3	Pappacap	Gun Runner	Rustlewood Farm, Inc.	Casse	Bravo	122
4	Trafalgar	Lord Nelson	Columbine Stable LLC.	Stall, Jr.	Hernandez	122
5	Epicerter 🐾	Not This Time	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	122
6	Cyberknife	Gun Runner	Gold Square LLC	Cox	Geroux	122
7	Blue Kentucky	Include	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Scr	Scr	Scr
8	Call Me Midnight 🐾	Midnight Lute	Peter L. Cantrell	Desormeaux	Graham	122
9	Presidential 🐾	Pioneerof the Nile	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Hernandez, Jr.	122

Breeders: 1-CresRan LLC, 2-Stephen Brown, 3-Rustlewood Farm, Inc., 4-Machmer Hall, 5-Westwind Farms, 6-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 7-Larry Jones & Cindy Jones, 8-Hartwell Farm, Inc, 9-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC

Saturday, Fair Grounds #13, post time: 6:49 p.m. EST

LOUISIANA S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Chess Chief	Into Mischief	Estate of James J. Coleman, Jr.	Scr	Scr	Scr
2	Mandaloun	Into Mischief	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	118
3	Midnight Bourbon 🐾	Tiznow	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	118
4	Sprawl	City Zip	Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.	Drury, Jr.	Hernandez	118
5	Pirate's Punch 🐾	Shanghai Bobby	Gulliver Racing LLC, Drager, Craig W. and Legan, Dan	Forster	Lanerie	118
6	Warrant	Constitution	Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC	Cox	Hernandez, Jr.	118
7	Spa City	Street Sense	Maggi Moss	Amoss	Graham	122

Breeders: 1-Morgan's Ford Farm, 2-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 5-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 6-Twin Creeks Farm, 7-Godolphin



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										<i>Alydiva</i>	
	Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000										
2	Munnings (2006) by <i>Speightstown</i> FYR: 2012 Crops: 9	3	4	--	--	--	--	70	16	150,000	690,726
										<i>Dash Attack</i>	
	Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$85,000										
3	Uncle Mo (2008) by <i>Indian Charlie</i> FYR: 2013 Crops: 8	--	1	--	--	--	--	60	15	60,600	466,636
										<i>Allege</i>	
	Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$160,000										
4	Constitution (2011) by <i>Tapit</i> FYR: 2017 Crops: 4	--	--	--	--	--	--	51	15	46,200	419,701
										<i>Just Read It</i>	
	Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$85,000										
5	Speightstown (1998) by <i>Gone West</i> FYR: 2006 Crops: 15	2	3	--	--	--	--	53	14	202,653	481,424
										<i>Pingxiang</i>	
	Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$90,000										
6	Hard Spun (2004) by <i>Danzig</i> FYR: 2009 Crops: 12	--	--	--	--	--	--	92	14	50,400	436,216
										<i>Kupuna</i>	
	Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$35,000										
7	More Than Ready (1997) by <i>Southern Halo</i> FYR: 2002 Crops: 19	--	--	--	--	--	--	65	13	44,308	387,752
										<i>Stoltz (AUS)</i>	
	Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$50,000										
8	Midshipman (2006) by <i>Unbridled's Song</i> FYR: 2012 Crops: 9	--	--	--	--	--	--	46	13	50,400	325,602
										<i>Sky and Sand</i>	
	Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$10,000										
9	Into Mischief (2005) by <i>Harlan's Holiday</i> FYR: 2010 Crops: 11	--	3	--	--	--	--	85	12	60,600	564,498
										<i>Whiskey Double</i>	
	Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$250,000										
10	Exaggerator (2013) by <i>Curlin</i> FYR: 2018 Crops: 3	--	--	--	--	--	--	61	12	28,200	240,243
										<i>Dramatizer</i>	
	Stands: Elite Thoroughbreds LA Fee: \$5,000										
11	Pioneerof the Nile (2006) by <i>Empire Maker</i> FYR: 2011 Crops: 10	2	2	1	1	--	--	48	11	120,000	543,369
										<i>Under the Stars</i>	
	Stands: WinStar Farm USA (Dead/Retired)										
12	Not This Time (2014) by <i>Giant's Causeway</i> FYR: 2018 Crops: 3	1	2	--	--	--	--	43	11	92,070	525,844
										<i>Simplification</i>	
	Stands: Taylor Made Farm KY Fee: \$45,000										
13	Violence (2010) by <i>Medaglia d'Oro</i> FYR: 2015 Crops: 6	1	1	1	1	--	--	59	10	60,000	350,880
										<i>Newgrange</i>	
	Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$25,000										
14	Creative Cause (2009) by <i>Giant's Causeway</i> FYR: 2014 Crops: 7	--	1	--	--	--	--	61	10	38,500	274,949
										<i>Stone Creator</i>	
	Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$7,500										
15	Union Rags (2009) by <i>Dixie Union</i> FYR: 2014 Crops: 7	--	--	--	--	--	--	50	10	45,100	258,610
										<i>Primacy</i>	
	Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$30,000										

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SATURDAY INSIGHTS: SEVEN FIGURE QUALITY ROAD AND NYQUIST COLTS DEBUT

By Patrycja Szpyra



Vinco before selling for \$1.5 million at 2021 FT Timonium Sale | Fasig-Tipton

9th-FG, \$50k, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 4:54 p.m. ET

Lane's End sire **Quality Road** has two starters here with a world of hopes riding on their backs as well as eye-catching price tags. Breaking from the third gate, **VINCO (Quality Road)** will try to become his dam's fourth winner from 10 foals. A half to Welcoming (**Tapit**), who sold for \$520,000 as a 2014 KEESEP yearling before retiring as a stakes-placed runner, he has the distinction of being the most expensive prospect in a long-line of six digit auction purchases for his dam; all seven of Stormy Welcome (Storm Cat)'s sale-bound foals sold for over \$120,000. Vinco became the most recent success after going the way of West Point Thoroughbreds for \$1.5 million after breezing in :10 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton Timonium sale.

To the inside and on the rail is **Strong Quality (Quality Road)**, a \$500,000 FTKNOV purchase by Justin Casse as agent for Gary Barber and Kinsman Stable, who topped the work tab Jan. 9 with a bullet five furlongs in :59.20 and put in a strong four panel move Jan. 15 at the track as well. The colt is also re-entered for a nearly identical race Sunday.

The WinStar and Siena Farm partnership sends out another well-bred runner in \$410,000 KEESEP yearling **Ferociously (Violence)**, a half to stakes-winning Bobby Brinkley (Shanghai Bobby) and the second foal for stakes-placed, course-record-setting Brinkley (City Zip), herself a half to MGSW & GISP Bound for Nowhere (**The Factor**). This is also the family of champion sprinter turned sire, **Midnight Lute (Real Quiet)**.

Starting to the outside of that group will be \$1 million KEESEP purchase **Gunoe (Into Mischief)**, a half to GSP Sine Wave (Big Brown), who will be trying to break his maiden in a fourth try after facing the likes of Chasing Time (**Not This Time**) last out.

TJCIS PPs

8th-SA, \$67k, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 7:13 p.m. ET

Given his high-profile connections and status as the \$2.6-million Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream sale topper (:9.4) last year, it's small surprise that Magnier, Tabor, Smith, et al's **BLETCHLEY PARK (Nyquist)** was established as the 5-2 morning-line favorite for this race. He's the first foal for Spinning Wheel (Smart Strike), a half-sister to SW, \$424,652, Space Mountain (Street Cry); GI Preakness S. runner-up, MGISP, \$795,175, Ride on **Curlin (Curlin)**; and SP, \$125,541, Magic Quest (**Nyquist**). This is also the family of GI Test S. winner Victory Ride (Seeking the Gold). He is trained by Bob Baffert.

Breaking to that one's inside are a pair of pricey purchases for Kaleem Shah, the owner of both **Classic Mark (Classic Empire)** and **Beautiful Art (Klimt)**. The former is a \$325,000 FTKSEL procurement, and the latter a 2-year-old in training purchase for \$310,000 last year at OBS April. The stablemates will break from the fifth and seventh posts, respectively, for trainer Simon Callaghan. **TJCIS PPs**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 5:52 p.m. ET

SILVERBULLETDAY S., \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1m70

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Frannie and Freddie	Malibu Moon	Hernandez	Stall	5-2
2	Bernabreezy	Bernardini	Graham	Shirer	9-2
3	Miss Chamita	Keen Ice	McKee	Cash	15-1
4	Sweet as Pie	Tapit	Geroux	Pletcher	5-2
5	La Crete	Medaglia d'Oro	Rosario	Asmussen	2-1
6	Candy Raid	Candy Ride (Arg)	Riquelme	Desormeaux	15-1



La Crete, a daughter of MGISW Cavorting, scored in front-running fashion on debut at Churchill Nov. 20 | Coady

Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 3:50 p.m. ET

FRANKLIN SQUARE S., \$100,000, 3yo, f, (S), 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Sandy's Garden	Conveyance	J Ortiz	Lee	8-1
2	Sterling Silver	Cupid	McCarthy	Albertrani	5-1
3	Thinking It Over	Overanalyze	Davis	Handal	9-2
4	Thin Legs	Mission Impazible	Worrle	Acquilano	30-1
5	Flip My Id	Freud	Franco	Maker	15-1
6	Leeloo	Practical Joke	Carmouche	Duggan	7-2
7	Moam	Twirling Candy	Lezcano	De Paz	4-1
8	Meraviglioso	Lemon Drop Kid	Cancel	Ferraro	20-1
9	Shesawildjoker	Practical Joke	Vargas	Donk	6-1
10	Captainsdaughter	Midshipman	Gonzalez	Cash	8-1

Saturday, Turfway Park, post time: 8:14 p.m. ET

LEONATUS S., \$100,000, 3yo, 1m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Grantham	Declaration of War	Corrales	Maker	5-2
2	Chismoso	Grey Swallow (Ire)	Felix	Gorostieta	30-1
3	Red Label	Sky Kingdom	Barcenas	Demeritte	12-1
4	Erase	Dialed In	Talamo	Cox	4-1
5	Zoombie	Cross Traffic	Peterson	Walsh	50-1
6	O P Firecracker	Will Take Charge	Bejarano	Medina	8-1
7	Amicable	Jimmy Windows	Canuto	Livers	20-1
8	Twnty Fr Mmba	Classic Empire	Landeros	Casse	8-1
9	Zawish	Mshawish	Morales	Pitts	8-1
10	Rich Strike	Keen Ice	Leon	Reed	15-1
11	Wish Me Home	Midshipman	Esquivel	Schoenthal	20-1
12	Friar Laurence	Violence	Machado	Colebrook	3-1



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Santa Anita, \$74,228, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-21, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:47.91, fm, neck.

TONY ANN (f, 4, Cairo Prince--Never Ever, by In Excess {Ire}) came into this race riding a two race win streak starting at Santa Anita Oct. 17, when she took a six furlong turf contest wire-to-wire by just shy of four lengths. Stretched out to this distance against Del Mar allowance company Nov. 28, she delivered again by a half-length. Returning to The Great Race Place and very enthusiastically supported by the betting public at 3-5, she broke on top, secured the lead, and outlasted the closers. Hogans Holiday (**The Factor**) was second. The mare three years her senior rallied furiously in deep stretch and missed by a diminishing neck at the wire. Out of a five-time winner of over \$148,000 in earnings, Tony Ann is the second to last foal registered for Never Ever; the last being a 3-year-old filly by **Midnight Storm** named Midnight's Girl. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-2, \$138,720. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**

O-A Venneri Racing, Inc. and Fanticola, Anthony; B-Alex Venneri Racing, LLC (KY); T-Philip D'Amato.



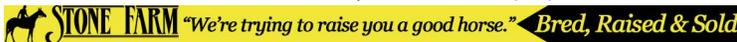


IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Santa Anita, \$67,000, Msw, 1-21, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46.17, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

ARMAGNAC (c, 3, Quality Road--Kitty Wine {SW, \$258,230}, by Lemon Drop Kid), a well-beaten third behind his impressive stablemate 'TDN Rising Star' Wharton (Candy Ride {Arg}) on debut going 6 1/2 furlongs here Dec. 31, was favored at 4-5 in this stretch to two turns. Receiving first-time Lasix, he jumped well and was sent to the front in this five-horse affair by John Velazquez. He showed the way through fractions of :23.62 and :47.77, let it out a notch approaching the quarter pole, and, despite racing a bit greenly drifting down the lane, had 2 1/4 lengths over Piroli (Battle of Midway). Also responsible for the 2-year-old filly Dubonnet (Lea), the winner's dam was bred to **Hard Spun** for 2022. Sales history: \$210,000 Ylg '20 KEESOP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$48,240. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC, Donovan, Catherine, Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC; B-Stone Farm & Joseph W. Sutton (KY); T-Bob Baffert.



7th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, Msw, 1-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.01, gd, 3/4 length.

ANNA VOLANTE (f, 4, Fast Anna--Two Trail Sioux {GSW & GISP, \$664,960}, by Indian Charlie) rallied to complete the trifecta at Churchill Downs last time Nov. 26. Favored at 3-2 to break through here, she was sent to the front from her rail draw, led through fractions of :22.48 and :46.08 and dug in gamely down the stretch to keep finding en route to a 3/4-length victory over Joan's Way (Cairo Prince). The winner's dam had a filly by **Kantharos** in 2020. Sales history: \$140,000 2yo '20 EASMA. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$58,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Intrepid Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Litt Family Trust, Jason Litt & SB Racing Corp (KY); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.



7th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$25,000, Msw, 1-21, 3yo, 1mT, 1:39.58, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

(DH)--NAPOLEONIC WAR (c, 3, War Front--Naples Parade, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,875. O-Peter M. Brant; B-White Birch Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.



(DH)--SEIGNEUR (c, 3, Flintshire {GB}--Silva {Fr} {MSW-Fr, \$104,151}, by Anabaa) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,875.

O-Ghislaine Head; B-Brookdale Thoroughbreds Inc (KY); T-Christophe Clement.



Napoleonic War, sent off as the 4-5 favorite, broke slowly and settled last on his maiden voyage going a mile on the Tampa Bay Downs turf while the other half of the dead heat Seigneur was third in the early running. The 7-1 shot Seigneur was keen to press, however, and pulled his rider along through the first turn to secure second on the outside of rivals. With the pair covering the front and back of the field, their positions remained unchanged until the final turn, where Napoleonic War launched his rally going wide and Seigneur took the lead from the longtime frontrunner. The former was forced to the inside to save some ground, and dove even further to the rail midway down the stretch. Napoleonic War inched closer with every stride and the wire came as both noses went down together.

Napoleonic War is his unplaced dam's first foal, and winner. There is a yearling half-sister by **Constitution** on record, and the dam was barren after visiting Into Mischief last season. Seigneur is out of a four-time stakes-winning dam in France. Silva has six winners as a broodmare as well as a yearling full-sister to the colt named Lycada. She was also barren after being bred to **Flatter** for this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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2021 Stud Fees Listed

American Freedom (Pulpit), Airdrie Stud, \$6,000

191 foals of racing age/22 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Fair Grounds, 1:00 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Conservative Values, 8-1
 \$4,500 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Bird Song (Unbridled's Song), Sau

37 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner
 9-Fair Grounds, 4:54 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Smarty John, 10-1

Classic Empire (Pioneerof the Nile), Coolmore Ashford, \$17,500

186 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners
 8-Santa Anita, 7:13 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Classic Mark, 15-1
 \$325,000 FTK SEL yrl
 5-Turfway, 8:14 p.m. EST, \$100K Leonatus S., 1m, Twenty Four
 Mamba, 8-1
 \$55,000 KEE NOV wnl
 7-Gulfstream, 3:05 p.m. EST, Aoc 7 1/2fT, Wake Surf, 6-1
 \$55,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Connect (Curlin), Lane's End Farm, \$25,000

194 foals of racing age/29 winners/2 black-type winners
 2-Fair Grounds, 1:30 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Downtown
 Connector, 5-1
 \$140,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$130,000 KEE SEP yrl
 2-Fair Grounds, 1:30 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Fully Connected,
 8-1
 \$60,000 KEE SEP yrl
 8-Santa Anita, 7:13 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Midnight Fury, 4-1
 \$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$200,000 OBS APR 2yo

Cupid (Tapit), Coolmore Ashford, \$5,000

173 foals of racing age/25 winners/2 black-type winners
 10-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Cupids Dream,
 10-1
 \$60,000 OBS OPN 2yo
 8-Aqueduct, 3:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Franklin Square S., 6 1/2f,
 Sterling Silver, 5-1
 \$13,000 FTK SEL yrl

Divining Rod (Tapit), Country Life Farm

96 foals of racing age/21 winners/1 black-type winner

5-Laurel, 2:09 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Bliss This, 3-1

El Deal (Munnings), Red River Farms

51 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners
 3-Delta Downs, 2:51 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Leudeal, 10-1

El Kabeir (Scat Daddy), Yeomanstown Stud, \$6,000

182 foals of racing age/15 winners/3 black-type winners
 10-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Salimah (Ire),
 2-1
 180,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Gormley (Malibu Moon), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500

197 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners
 1-Fair Grounds, 1:00 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Honeysuckledelight, 8-1
 \$70,000 ESL YRL yrl
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:00 p.m. EST, Aoc 1 1/16m, Indefensible, 30-1
 \$14,000 KEE SEP yrl
 1-Fair Grounds, 1:00 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Mardi Gras Gormley,
 30-1

Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), Three Chimneys Farm, \$125,000

245 foals of racing age/31 winners/6 black-type winners
 7-Fair Grounds, 3:56 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Ari Oakley, 6-1
 14-Fair Grounds, 7:20 p.m. EST, \$200K GIII Lecomte S., 1 1/16m,
 Cyberknife, 6-1
 \$400,000 FTK SEL yrl
 14-Fair Grounds, 7:20 p.m. EST, \$200K GIII Lecomte S., 1 1/16m,
 Pappacap, 8-5
 6-Fair Grounds, 3:27 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Shoot Themessenger,
 20-1

Hard Aces (Hard Spun), Averett Farm

37 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Delta Downs, 2:51 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Friendly Aces, 12-1

Keen Ice (Curlin), Calumet Farm, \$7,500

191 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Fair Grounds, 2:58 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Ice Blast, 8-1
 1-Aqueduct, 12:20 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Keen Dancer, 50-1
 \$3,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$13,000 EAS MAY 2yo
 5-Fair Grounds, 2:58 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Keen Heir, 12-1
 \$34,000 RNA FTK NOV wnl; \$57,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$225,000 EAS
 MAY 2yo
 11-Fair Grounds, 5:52 p.m. EST, \$150K Silverbulletday S., 1m,
 Miss Chamita, 15-1
 \$3,000 KEE SEP yrl
 5-Turfway, 8:14 p.m. EST, \$100K Leonatus S., 1m, Rich Strike,
 15-1

10-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT,
Shesascoldasice, 20-1

Kiss the Ghost (Ghostzapper), Poplar Creek Horse Center
6 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Mahoning Valley, 1:38 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, R Three Angels, 6-1
\$3,000 FTK OCT yrl

Klimt (Quality Road), Jockey Club of Turkey, \$7,500
282 foals of racing age/26 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Fair Grounds, 1:30 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Art Heist, 7-2
\$65,000 OBS OCT yrl
8-Santa Anita, 7:13 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Beautiful Art, 15-1
\$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$310,000 OBS APR 2yo
8-Gulfstream, 3:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Butterbean, 3-1
\$22,000 KEE SEP yrl
4-Turfway, 7:46 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, The Judge and Jury, 7-2
\$117,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$45,000 EAS MAY 2yo
4-Mahoning Valley, 1:38 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, Quality Bet, 5-1

Lord Nelson (Pulpit), Spendthrift Farm
158 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Aqueduct, 1:48 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Central Pride, 5-1
\$110,000 OBS OPN 2yo
4-Aqueduct, 1:48 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Juggler, 4-1
\$115,000 KEE SEP yrl
14-Fair Grounds, 7:20 p.m. EST, \$200K GIII Lecomte S., 1 1/16m,
Trafalgar, 5-1
\$100,000 FTK SEL yrl; \$310,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mastery (Candy Ride {Arg}), Claiborne Farm, \$10,000
221 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 3:56 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Hazy Command, 7-2
\$75,000 KEE SEP yrl

Midnight Storm (Pioneerof the Nile), Taylor Made Farm, \$7,500
126 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Aqueduct, 1:48 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Hot Rod Rumble, 9-5
\$75,000 FTK SEL yrl; \$325,000 EAS MAY 2yo



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Mohaymen (Tapit), Shadwell Farm, \$7,500
102 foals of racing age/23 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Santa Anita, 7:13 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Sense of Dominance, 4-1
\$43,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$75,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$170,000 EAS MAY
2yo

Mo Tom (Uncle Mo), Red River Farms, \$2,000
63 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Delta Downs, 2:51 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Lutie Mo, 7-2

Practical Joke (Into Mischief), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000
266 foals of racing age/24 winners/6 black-type winners
8-Aqueduct, 3:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Franklin Square S., 6 1/2f,
Leeloo, 7-2
\$150,000 KEE JAN wnl
8-Aqueduct, 3:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Franklin Square S., 6 1/2f,
Shesawildjoker, 6-1
\$80,000 KEE SEP yrl
6-Tampa Bay Downs, 2:43 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Standup
Comedienne, 20-1
\$130,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$115,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Stanford (Malibu Moon), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, \$5,000
121 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Golden Gate Fields, 8:02 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Dude It's a Party,
6-1
\$20,000 FTC AYR yrl

Straight Fire (Dominus), Legacy Ranch
48 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Turfway, 8:14 p.m. EST, \$100K Leonatus S., 1m, Ain't Straight,
30-1

Tom's Ready (More Than Ready), Red River Farms, pensioned
15 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-Laurel, 2:09 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Quite Ready, 12-1
\$9,500 RNA OBS WIN wnl

Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
194 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners
3-Fair Grounds, 2:00 p.m. EST, Aoc 1 1/16m, Underhill's Tab, 5-2
\$10,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$19,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$400,000 OBS MAR
2yo
14-Fair Grounds, 7:20 p.m. EST, \$200K GIII Lecomte S., 1 1/16m,
Unified Report, 15-1
\$33,000 ESL YRL yrl

Union Jackson (Curlin), Sequel New York, \$2,500
69 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

1-Aqueduct, 12:20 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Kisses for Emily, 8-1
\$125,000 EAS MAY 2yo



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Rawy, c, 3, **Frosted**. See 'TDN Euro--Middle East'

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Jessieui Kkum, g, 4, **Jess's Dream**--Love in Bloom, by **More Than Ready**. Busan, 1-21, Hcp. (C4), 1400m. B-Janice Woods (FL). *\$25,000 Ylg '19 OBSOCT. **VIDEO (SC 10)**

So Much Go, g, 5, **Street Sense**--Suroof, by Empire Maker. Busan, 1-21, Hcp. (C3), 1600m. B-CESA Farm (FL). *\$40,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. **VIDEO (SC 6)**

IN CHILE:

Rom Tale, c, 3, **Tale of the Cat**--Romana Ruler (Chi) (G1SW-Chi, \$113,931), by Roman Ruler. Club Hipico, 1-21, Maiden, 1000m. B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **Bred to Southern Hemisphere time. **VIDEO (SC 1)**



IN INDIA:

My Opinion (Ind), h, 7, **Dialed In**--Love Me Good (SP), by Jazil. Chennai, 1-21, Allowance, 2400mT, 2:32.17. B-Sans Craintes. *MSW-Ind. **\$16,000 in utero '14 KEENOV. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Usurp (Kor), c, 3, **Anchor Down**--Sergeant O'Rourke (SP), by Forestry. Busan, 1-21, Hcp. (C6), 1200m. B-Park Hee Sang. *\$20,000 in utero '18 KEENOV. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

IN CHILE:

Coronado (Chi), c, 2, **Practical Joke**--Canterita (Chi) (SP-Chi), by **Lookin At Lucky**. Club Hipico, 1-19, Maiden, 1000m. B-Haras Paso Nevado. **VIDEO (SC 2)**



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Laurel, \$77,952, Opt. Clm (\$40,000-\$50,000), 1-21, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:52.77, ft, 3/4 length.

TORCH OF TRUTH (g, 7, Not For Love--Amber Comet {SP, \$186,711}, by Amerrico's Bullet) Lifetime Record: 26-5-8-5, \$273,030. O-Marie F. Trombetta; B-The Elkstone Group LLC (MD); T-Michael J. Trombetta. *Full to Heather, MSP, \$191,172; Comet of Love, SW, \$266,805.



7th-Laurel, \$75,265, Opt. Clm (\$40,000-\$50,000), 1-21, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.45, ft, 5 lengths.

AIR TOKEN (g, 5, Golden Lad--Saint Dinorah, by St Averil) Lifetime Record: SW, 29-8-8-3, \$358,693. O-Corrales Racing, LLC; B-Carol Ann Kaye (MD); T-Jose Corrales. *\$3,500 Ylg '18 EASOCT.

5th-Gulfstream, \$55,000, Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-21, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:42.79, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

TAKE CHARGE RO (m, 5, Will Take Charge--Big Awakening, by Big Brown) Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-2, \$172,198. O-Raroma Stable; B-William Humphries (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch. *\$65,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$45,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$87,000 Ylg '18 OBSOCT.

7th-Sam Houston Race, \$39,000, (NW26MX)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-20, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.26, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

BOERNE (m, 5, Fed Biz--Seeking the Jewel, by Seeking the Gold) Lifetime Record: MSW, 18-7-4-1, \$269,375. O-De Luca and Sons Stable; B-Randi Moreau-Sipiere & Eric Moreau-Sipiere (TX); T-Robertino Diodoro. *\$10,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.

8th-Sam Houston Race, \$38,000, (S), (NW26MX)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 1-20, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.75, fm, 1/2 length.

SINGAPORE FLASH (g, 6, Shanghai Bobby--Dare to Dance, by Thunder Gulch) Lifetime Record: SP, 21-6-4-1, \$174,075. O-Triple V Racing, LLC.; B-Virginia Jago Elder (TX); T-J. R. Caldwell.

9th-Sam Houston Race, \$37,000, 1-20, (NW2L), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.39, ft, head.

SAMS TIME (c, 4, Not This Time--Soho Star, by Posse) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$52,389. O-Jason Cline & Jerry Russell; B-Elm Tree Farm, LLC & Danny Bockmon (KY); T-Karl Broberg. *\$45,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$70,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR.



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5th-Delta Downs, \$36,180, 1-21, (NW2L), 4yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:35.26, ft, 5 lengths.

PRIDDIS (f, 4, Vancouver {Aus}--Banyan Street, by Gone West) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-3, \$56,985. O-Simon Hudy; B-Chancey Mill Farm, Scott & Debbie Pierce (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro. *\$14,000 RNA Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$10,000 Ylg '19 OBSOCT; \$90,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN.



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8th-Delta Downs, \$36,000, 1-21, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 5f, :59.68, ft, 3/4 length.

BACKSHOT (r, 5, Tapiture--Awesomkeylee, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 21-4-3-1, \$129,157. O-Claiming Game Racing; B-Ginny McKinlay, et al. LLC (KY); T-Karl Broberg. *\$100,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$350,000 2yo '19 FTSANA. **1/2 to The Money Monster (Majestic Warrior), MSW, \$156,723.

8th-Turf Paradise, \$27,300, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$10,000-\$12,500), 1-21, 4yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :57.89, ft, 1/2 length.

BULLY BABY (f, 4, Diabolical--Shamrock Girl {MSW, \$251,181}, by King Bull) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-5-2-2, \$91,295. O/T-Raymond G. Valerio; B-Bar Y Equine, LLC (NM). *\$50,000 Ylg '19 RUIAUG.

6th-Turf Paradise, \$26,600, Opt. Clm (\$15,000-\$20,000), 1-21, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08.92, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

ABI GEZUNT (g, 4, Bullsbay--Lasso From El Paso {SP, \$124,358}, by Smoke Glacken) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$41,348. O-Norma I. Martinez; B-Dr. Franklin Lewkowitz MD & Karen Louise Lewkowitz (MD); T-Esteban Martinez.

6th-Mahoning Valley, \$26,400, 1-21, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.31, ft, 6 lengths.

JAIL HOUSE CODE (f, 4, Honor Code--Jail House Money, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-3, \$75,581. O-Erik Fadlovich; B-Nesco II LTD (KY); T-Megan Fadlovich. *\$180,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Stormy Pattern, c, 3, Gone Astray--From Top to Bottom, by Hard Spun. Gulfstream, 1-21, (C), 1m, 1:37.55. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$45,900. B-Ruben Valdes (FL). *\$13,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

Gimme Candy, f, 3, Jimmy Creed--Mini Candy, by Candy Ride (Arg). Delta Downs, 1-21, 7 1/2f, 1:35.80. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$24,847. B-Denny Andrews (KY).

Kobe Tough, c, 3, Kobe's Back--Our Gin Mill, by Go for Gin. Laurel, 1-21, (WC), 6f, 1:14.35. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$50,127. B-Bonita Farm (MD).



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Joe Mike Jim, f, 3, Mosler--Laura's Moon, by Malibu Moon. Laurel, 1-21, (WC), 6f, 1:14.22. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$37,542. B-Country Life Farm & Laura's Moon LLC (MD). *\$10,000 Wlg '19 EASDEC; \$9,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT; \$25,000 2yo '21 EASMAY.



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Maximum Impact, c, 3, New Year's Day--Slow Gin, by Pulpit. Mahoning Valley, 1-21, 1m, 1:40.44. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$16,820. B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY).

Smart Analysis, g, 3, Overanalyze--Curlin Copy, by Tenpins. Delta Downs, 1-21, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:22.54. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$32,900. B-Danny M. & Donna B. Brown (LA). *\$1,500 Ylg '20 ESLYRL.

Boudoir Burlesque, f, 4, Jack Milton--Raging Storm, by Unbridled Energy. Mahoning Valley, 1-21, 6f, 1:15.66. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$19,000. B-Pope & Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr. (KY). *\$4,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

Jimmy Dan, g, 4, Kitten's Joy--Coronette, by Empire Maker. Fair Grounds, 1-21, 1 1/8mT, 1:55.79. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-5, \$83,179. B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY). *\$95,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.



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Mongolian Ford, g, 4, Shackelford--Window Shopper, by Dynaformer. Santa Anita, 1-21, (C), 1m, 1:40.27. Lifetime Record: 10-1-2-0, \$48,120. B-Ganbaatar Dagvadorj (KY). *1/2 to Mongolian Shopper (Any Given Saturday), SW, \$210,233.

Bowl of Cherries, f, 4, Speightster--Star White (SP), by Naevus. Santa Anita, 1-21, (C), 6 1/2fT, 1:16.39. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-5, \$69,960. B-Rose Hill Farm (KY). *\$85,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Starry Pursuit (Van Nistelrooy), MSW, \$194,685; Shanghai Tariff (Shanghai Bobby), SW, \$426,945.



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- Diabolical**, Bully Baby, f, 4, o/o Shamrock Girl, by King Bull. AOC, 1-21, Turf Paradise
- Fast Anna**, Anna Volante, f, 4, o/o Two Trail Sioux, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 1-21, Fair Grounds
- Fed Biz**, Boerne, m, 5, o/o Seeking the Jewel, by Seeking the Gold. AOC, 1-20, Sam Houston
- Flintshire (GB)**, Seigneur, c, 3, o/o Silva (Fr), by Anabaa. MSW, 1-21, Tampa Bay
- Golden Lad**, Air Token, g, 5, o/o Saint Dinorah, by St Averil. AOC, 1-21, Laurel
- Gone Astray**, Stormy Pattern, c, 3, o/o From Top to Bottom, by **Hard Spun**. MOC, 1-21, Gulfstream
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- Kobe's Back**, Kobe Tough, c, 3, o/o Our Gin Mill, by Go for Gin. WMC, 1-21, Laurel
- Mosler**, Joe Mike Jim, f, 3, o/o Laura's Moon, by Malibu Moon. WMC, 1-21, Laurel
- New Year's Day**, Maximum Impact, c, 3, o/o Slow Gin, by Pulpit. MSW, 1-21, Mahoning Valley
- Not For Love**, Torch of Truth, g, 7, o/o Amber Comet, by Amerrico's Bullet. AOC, 1-21, Laurel
- Not This Time**, Sams Time, c, 4, o/o Soho Star, by Posse. ALW, 1-20, Sam Houston
- Overanalyze**, Smart Analysis, g, 3, o/o **Curlin** Copy, by Tenpins. MSW, 1-21, Delta Downs
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- War Front**, Napoleonic War, c, 3, o/o Naples Parade, by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 1-21, Tampa Bay
- Will Take Charge**, Take Charge Ro, m, 5, o/o Big Awakening, by Big Brown. AOC, 1-21, Gulfstream

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MAC SWINEY ON TRACK FOR 4-YEAR-OLD CAMPAIGN



Mac Swiney with jockey Rory Cleary and grooms John Hayes and Ger Flynn after winning the Irish 2000 Guineas | racingfotos.com

By Kelsey Riley

Last year's G1 Irish 2000 Guineas winner **Mac Swiney (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) has been turned out since running in the G1 Hong Kong Cup in December and will return to training next week, trainer, owner and breeder Jim Bolger told the *TDN*.

The 4-year-old, who also won the G1 Vertem Futurity Trophy and G2 Futurity S. at two, trailed in last of 12 at Sha Tin.

"He didn't run well in Hong Kong and we don't know the reason for it," Bolger said. Mac Swiney's four career wins have come over ground listed as yielding or worse, however Bolger said he is "still not convinced that he doesn't go on fast ground."

"I hope he'll be a busy 4-year-old," the trainer added. "We might also find the key to why he doesn't run well so often."

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NAVAL CROWN ASSERTS HIS CLASS IN AL FAHIDI FORT by Alan Carasso

Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) provided his all-conquering sire his third winner in the last four runnings of the G2 Al Fahidi Fort S. and 143rd worldwide scorer at graded/group stakes level with a deceptively easy success in the seven-furlong test Friday at Meydan.

Away alertly from a low barrier, the athletic bay found himself forwardly placed and was locked away at the fence as the veteran **Ajwad (GB)** (**Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}**) was ridden for speed from gate 13 and came across the field to lead at a good gallop. Quietly ridden on the bend by William Buick while holding his position, Naval Crown was waited with in upper stretch, muscled his way into the clear with about two furlongs to race, hit the front going well at the 200-metre peg and remained comfortably in front as **Story of Light (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) chased him home in vain. Shadwell's **Zainhom** (Street Cry {Ire}) rallied from near the tail of the field to grab third.

Multiple Group 3-placed in France at two, Naval Crown was a creditable third in a single try on the dirt in the G3 UAE 2000 Guineas last February before bouncing back to take the Listed Meydan Classic going a mile over the local turf three weeks hence. Beaten less than three lengths into fourth by Poetic Flare (Ire) (**Dawn Approach {Ire}**) as a 50-1 chance in the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas in May, Naval Crown backed up to this trip to be runner-up in the G3 Jersey S. at Royal Ascot June 19. **Cont. p2**

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Mac Swiney On Track For 4-Year-Old Campaign cont. from p1

Bolger continued, “We still don’t know the reason for it. He’s a very genuine horse and his work is always good at home, and yet he throws in some bad runs from time to time.”

Mac Swiney has won from seven furlongs to a mile, but also ran with credit going longer when fourth in the G1 Derby and third in the G1 Champion S.

“He’ll be versatile from a mile up to a mile-and-a-half,” Bolger said. “He has a nice turn of foot and he got the mile-and-a-quarter well in the Champion S.”

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Naval Crown Asserts His Class In Al Fahidi Fort cont. from p1

Naval Crown was last seen struggling home eighth in the G1 Prix Jean Prat at Deauville July 11.

In a post-race interview, winning trainer Charlie Appleby said he'd be inclined to pass the upcoming stc1351 Turf Sprint in Saudi Arabia next month, a race won last year by Space Blues (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and instead take in the 1400-metre \$300,000 Ras Al Khor conditions race on Super Saturday Mar. 5 as a steppingstone to his 4-year-old season in Europe.

Pedigree Notes

Naval Crown is the first foal from his dam, winner of the Listed Prix Amandine for Andre Fabre at Maisons-Laffitte in 2016 before visiting Dubawi for her first cover the following spring. Come Alive is one of five winners from eight to the races for her dam Portrayal, a listed winner and Group 3-placed in England and twice place at group level in France, including a third to the

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Naval Crown cont.

once-beaten, dual Classic winner Divine Proportions (Kingmambo) in the G2 Prix Robert Papin in 2004. Come Alive is represented by a 2-year-old Lope de Vega (Ire) filly and a yearling filly by Shamardal.

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Friday, Meydan, Dubai

AL FAHIDI FORT PRESENTED BY MINA BY AZIZI-G2, \$180,000, Meydan, 1-21, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:22.02, gd.

1--**NAVAL CROWN (GB), 126, c, 4, by Dubawi (Ire)**

1st Dam: Come Alive (GB) (SW-Fr), by Dansili (GB)

2nd Dam: Portrayal, by Saint Ballado

3rd Dam: True Glory (Ire), by In the Wings (GB)

1ST GROUP WIN. O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby; J-William Buick. \$108,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, MGSP-Fr, 12-3-2-5, \$287,402. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus*.**

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2--**Story of Light (Ire)**, 126, g, 5, Dark Angel (Ire)--Beautiful Ending (GB), by Exceed and Excel (Aus). **1ST BLACK-TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE.** O-Mohammed Ahmad Ali Al Subousi; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Ahmad bin Harmash. \$36,000.

3--**Zainhom**, 126, g, 8, Street Cry (Ire)--Kaseema, by Storm Cat. O-Shadwell Stable; B-Shadwell Farm LLC (KY); T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. \$18,000.

Margins: 1, SHD, NK.

Also Ran: Storm Damage (GB), Manjeer (Ire), Spirit of Light (Ire), Sanary (GB), Could Be King (GB), Land of Legends (Ire), Alkaamel (GB), Ajwad (GB), Garrulous (SAf), Ventura Rebel (GB), La Barrosa (Ire). **Click for the Emirates Racing chart and the free Equine.com catalog-style pedigree. VIDEO.**

CAPE CROSS GELDING FIRES IN AL RASHIDIYA

Desert Fire (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) has been a stalwart of the Dubai World Cup Carnival since he first arrived as a lightly raced 4-year-old in 2019, and he posted a career-best on Friday evening when winning his first black-type race in the G2 Al Rashidiya S.

Swift away from the barriers, Desert Fire raced among the frontrunners with no one particularly keen to take up the running until **Highland Avenue (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) came through on the rail. Desert Fire eventually settled a joint third on the outside and about six lengths off the frontrunner as Highland Avenue took the field into the turn. Desert Fire quickly whittled away at Highland Avenue's lead rounding the turn, and had dead aim on that rival as they turned for home. The blaze-faced bay hit the lead approaching the 300 metre mark out in the middle of the track and was never in danger as the Charlie Appleby pair of **Royal Fleet (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Art Du Val**

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(GB) (No Nay Never) chased, with the veteran Group 1 winner Lord Glitters (Fr) (Whipper) making up ground late to grab fourth.

“That’s the biggest win of my career,” said jockey Hector Crouch. “It’s surreal. It’s an amazing feeling. I’m just so thankful to Saeed and his team for giving me the chance. It was my best season in the UK and its nice to come over here and to stay in the limelight. Just delighted for the horse as well he’s been here a good number of years and he deserved a big one. He quickened like he hasn’t before, that’s the best he’s ever felt. Seems funny to say, he’s seven, hopefully there’s more to come. He put the race to bed very well.

Desert Fire, a Godolphin homebred, made a belated racing debut with a three-start–for two wins--summer campaign in 2018 at three. He won at first asking at Meydan the following January in a mile handicap, and was placed twice before that carnival closed. Returning to Dubai in 2020 off a European campaign, Desert Fire was third in the 2000 metre Listed Zabeel S., but was gelded after two more lacklustre starts. In his first start since that operation, Desert Fire won a Lingfield conditions race which looks much better in hindsight; the horse who was

second, Walton Street (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), would win three straight after and posted a career-high in last autumn’s GI Canadian International S. Desert Fire, too, continued his upward trajectory while continuing to rise in trip, finishing third to Walton Street in the G2 Dubai City of Gold last March. He warmed up for this with a second in Kempton’s Listed Floodlit S. over a mile and a half on Nov. 1.



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Monday 31st January

Pedigree Notes

Desert Fire is the first stakes winner and second-to-last reported foal out of the Chilean Horse of the Year and Classic winner Crystal House (Chi) (Golden Voyager), who also produced the Argentinean Group 3-placed Criza (Smarty Jones). The second dam, Cristalline (Chi) (Northair), was also a champion and Classic winner in Chile and other prolific members of the family include G1 Chilean Derby winner Crisantemo (Chi), G1 El Derby scorer Cefalu (Chi), G1 Las Oaks victress Candy Doll (Chi) and G1 Chilean 2000 Guineas winners Santiago Matias (Chi) and Omayad (Chi).

Friday, Meydan, Dubai

AL RASHIDIYA PRESENTED BY RIVIERA BEACHFRONT BY AZIZI-G2, \$180,000, Meydan, 1-21, 3yo/up, 9fT, 1:46.16, gd. 1--**DESERT FIRE (IRE)**, 126, g, 7, by Cape Cross (Ire)

1st Dam: Crystal House (Chi) (MG1SW-Chi, \$163,325), by Golden Voyager

2nd Dam: Cristalline (Chi), by Northair

3rd Dam: Calderina (Ity), by Carral (Fr)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Hector Crouch. \$108,000. Lifetime Record: 20-6-3-4, \$366,990. *1/2 to Criza (Smarty Jones), GSP-Arg. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Royal Fleet (GB)**, 125, g, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Zibelina (Ire), by Dansili (GB). O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby. \$36,000.

3--**Art Du Val (GB)**, 126, g, 6, **No Nay Never**--Aquarelle Rare (GB), by Rainbow Quest. (120,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT). O-Godolphin; B-D J and Mrs Deer (GB); T-Charlie Appleby. \$18,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, NK, 1. Also Ran: Lord Glitters (Fr), Bedouin's Story (GB), Erasmo (GB), Erzindjan (Ire), Highland Avenue (Ire), Kick On (GB), Bless Him (Ire), Partenit (Fr).

Click for the Emirates Racing chart. Click for the free Equineline.com catalog-style pedigree. VIDEO.

AL TARIQ ROLLS ON IN DUBAWI

Al Tariq (Fr) (Oasis Dream {GB}) appeared to find a new lease on life during last year's carnival after joining trainer Doug Watson's string, and his purple patch continued on Friday evening with a victory in the G3 Dubawi S.

Taking advantage of the rail draw to grab an early lead, Al Tariq was put in tighter quarters by **Freedom Fighter (Violence)** and **Bochart (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) as they moved to save ground on the run into the turn. Al Tariq allowed Freedom Fighter to poke his head in front rounding the bend as Bochart dropped away, but the blinkered Al Tariq was traveling visibly better as they passed the quarter pole, and he shrugged off that rival to draw clear and win by two lengths. Freedom Fighter held off a



AL TARIQ

g. 2016 OASIS DREAM x EL CUERPO E LALMA



Dubawi Stakes (Gr.3)
Meydan

Owner Abdulmohsen Al Abdulkareem
Trainer..... Doug Watson
Breeder Selim Blanga Moghrabi

BREEZE UP 2018
Price €150,000
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late rally from **On The Warpath (GB)** (Declaration Of War) to be second.

Campaigned initially in France with Pia Brandt, Al Tariq won just one of 10 starts there before being expatriated to Dubai. His lone start in 2020 was a second in a Jebel Ali handicap, but he enjoyed a busier campaign last year when scooping the G3 Al Shindagha Sprint and Listed Jebel Ali Sprint in four outings. Prior to Friday, Al Tariq had not run since winning a Jebel Ali conditions race over this six furlong trip on Nov. 26.



Al Tariq | DRC

Pedigree Notes

Out of the Harlan's Holiday mare El Cuerpo E l'Alma, Al Tariq is a great-grandson of Yarn (Mr. Prospector), who produced not only the GII King's Bishop S. winner and prolific sire Tale Of The Cat and G1 Phoenix S. winner Minardi, but also the dams of European champion 2-year-old and sire Johannesburg and multiple graded stakes winner, track record setter and sire Fed Biz. Yarn is also the third dam of the GI Vosburgh S. scorer Joking, and it is also the family of the excellent American sire Pulpit. Al Tariq is a half-brother to the G2 Prix Robert Papin and G3 Prix du Bois third Lehaim (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), as well as the 3-year-old filly Stormy Duchess (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) and a 2-year-old filly by Caravaggio.

Friday, Meydan, Dubai

DUBAWI S. PRESENTED BY RIVIERA BY AZIZI-G3, \$150,000, Meydan, 1-21, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.75, fs.

1--**AL TARIQ (FR), 130, g, 6, by Oasis Dream (GB)**

1st Dam: El Cuerpo E l'Alma, by Harlan's Holiday

2nd Dam: Fabulist, by Devil's Bag

3rd Dam: Yarn, by Mr. Prospector

(€140,000 Wlg '16 ARQDEC; €135,000 Ylg '17 ARQOCT; €150,000 2yo '18 ARQMAY). O-Abdul Mohsen Al Abdul Kareem; B-Selim Blanga Moghrabi (FR); T-Doug Watson; J-Pat Dobbs. \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 19-5-4-0, \$339,786. *1/2 to Lehaim (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), MGSP-Fr, \$153,529. **Werk Nick Rating: C+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Freedom Fighter, 130, c, 4, Violence--Canadian Ballet, by City Zip.** (\$120,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). O-Al Rashid Stables LLC; B-Mr. & Mrs. Troy Reed (KY); T-Bhupat Seemar. \$30,000.

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3--**On the Warpath (GB), 130, g, 7, Declaration of War--Elusive Pearl, by Medaglia d'Oro.** (\$150,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; UAE150,000 HRA '21 ERASEP). O-Nasir Askar; B-Sahara Group & Eurowest Bloodstock (IRE); T-Musabbah Al Mheiri. \$15,000. Margins: 2, SHD, 1 1/4. Also Ran: Ibn Malik (Ire), Canvassed (Ire),

Bochart (GB), Maystar (Ire). Scratched: Meraas (GB). [Click for the Emirates Racing chart.](#) [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [VIDEO.](#)

EUROPEAN NEWS

HON SUPPORTS RACING WELFARE WITH £100,000 DONATION

Racehorse owner Dr Johnny Hon, who operates Global Group Racing, has donated £100,000 to Racing Welfare to fund the Housing Support Officer role for the next three years. The Housing Support Officer helps the young tenants living at Racing Welfare's properties and working in racing to manage all aspects of their lives, setting them up for success.

Racing Welfare's Housing Support Officer Sarah Ashley said, "For some young people they don't have family support so I'm the only person they have to check they are doing okay. It allows people to become more confident and thrive in all aspects of their lives. I've taken the same journey myself through the racing school, working and riding in yards, it's not easy and I understand that. I can empathise, and they feel comfortable talking to me. They are our next generation of racing staff. If they are living well here, they will continue to do so."

Hon said, "I am delighted to back this project for the next three years. As a passionate racing fan and owner of Albert House Stables, I know the importance of supporting all the great people who make racing happen. Young people come into racing with a love of horses and a desire to share in the excitement of winning races, but they have not always been well supported and they can be vulnerable in their personal lives. This project makes a real difference and sets an example that should be copied elsewhere in racing communities."

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ANOTHER GROUP WIN

Oasis Dream

SIRE OF	Al Tariq
WINNER	Dubawi Stakes Gr.3 , 6f, Meydan
OWNER	Abdulmohsen Al Abdulkareem
BREEDER	Selim Blanga Moghrabi
TRAINER	Doug Watson

LONGINES WORLD RACING AWARDS CEREMONY ON TUESDAY

The 2021 Longines World Racing Awards ceremony will be held virtually on Jan. 25 at 2 p.m. GMT. The show, which will be hosted by Francesca Cumani from the National Horse Racing Museum in Newmarket for the second straight year, will honour the Longines World's Best Racehorse, the Longines World's Best Horse Race and the Longines World's Best Jockey of 2021. Ryan Moore has already been revealed as last year's World's Best Jockey, while the other award winners will be revealed during the event. The IFHA's annual list of the top 100 Group/Grade 1 races, and rankings for all horses rated 115 or higher last year, will also be released on Tuesday.

The ceremony will be released on multiple digital platforms including the social media accounts of Longines, the IFHA and World Horse Racing.

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BRITAIN

Friday's Results:

2nd-Southwell, £7,300, Novice, 1-21, 3yo, 11f 23y (AWT), 2:31.39, st/sl.

NEW COMEDY (IRE) (g, 3, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Tearless {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Street Cry {Ire}), sent to post as the 10-3 favourite, settled in mid-division after a tardy break. Making his move stand's side, the bay overhauled Rockfire (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) a furlong from home en route to a 2 1/4-length success. The useful listed-winning dam, who made a winning debut herself at the age of four, is also responsible for the German listed scorer Romantic Song (Ire) (Shamardal). A granddaughter of the outstanding producer Magnificent Style (Silver Hawk), her G1 Fillies Mile and G2 Lancashire Oaks-winning dam Playful Act (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) threw the GIII Orchid S. winner Anjaz by Tearless's sire Street Cry and Giants Play (Giant's Causeway), who captured the GII New York S. Connected to the heavyweight Nathaniel (Ire) and his G1 Irish Oaks-winning full-sister Great Heavens (GB), herself the dam of last year's G3 Prix de Royaumont scorer Thunder Drum (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), her 2-year-old is a full-sister to the winner while her yearling filly is by Thunder Drum's sire. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,360. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby.

6th-Newcastle, £7,300, Mdn, 1-21, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:14.84, st/sl.

SIP AND SMILE (IRE) (c, 3, Acclamation {GB}--Marisol {Ire}, by Teofilo {Ire}), sent off the 3-1 second favourite, missed the break and took time to warm into the race from behind. Making up ground to tackle Lord Paramount (GB) (Ribchester {Ire}) with 150 yards remaining, the bay stayed on to secure a comfortable 1 1/2-length success from that rival. The unraced dam, whose 2-year-old filly Platinum Jubilee (Ire) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**) was bought by the Highclere Agency for 65,000gns at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 2, is a full-sister to Arod (Ire) who proved a smart performer with wins in the G2 Summer Mile and G3 Diomed S. and places in the G1 Sussex S. and G1 Lockinge S. Also related to the GII Oak Tree Derby scorer Dark Islander (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}), her yearling is a full-sister to the winner. Sales history: 95,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT; 40,000gns 2yo '21 TATAHI. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,360. **Video, sponsored by TVG.** O-The Pipa Dobson Syndicate; B-Rathbarry Stud & D Major (IRE); T-George Boughey.

IRELAND

Friday's Result:

7th-Dundalk, €15,000, 1-21, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:27.29, st.

SINGSONG LADY (IRE) (f, 3, Cotai Glory {GB}--Singitta {GB}, by Singspiel {Ire}), only 10th on her sole start at this trip at Naas in September, broke well from her wide stall to track the leaders throughout the early stages. Staying on to gain the advantage with half a furlong to race, the 25-1 shot asserted to score by 3/4 of a length from Silk Damask (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}). "She's a lovely big, scopey filly and loved that surface," trainer Gavin Cromwell explained. "She's a big, tall lady and we gave her a break after her run in Naas and she has come on plenty for it. She's come home well and when she got there she's pricked her ears as well. We'll have a look and see what there is here for her and if not we might put her away. She probably wants nice ground." The dam, who produced the listed-placed Singeur (Ire) (Chineur {Fr}), SP-Eng, \$202,239, is also the second dam of the stakes scorer Simmy's Temple (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}). Under the second dam, the GII Adirondack S.-placed Ferber's Follies (Saratoga Six), is the G2 July S. winner Nevisian Lad (GB) also by Royal Applause, while this is also the family of the GII Brooklyn H. and GII Hutcheson S.-winning sire Limehouse (Grand Slam). Sales history: 10,000gns Wlg '19 TATFOA; 43,000 RNA 2yo '21 TATBRG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$10,815.

O-Nora T Byrne; B-Nafferty Stud (IRE); T-Gavin Cromwell.



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CONDITIONS RESULT:

6th-Dundalk, €14,500, 1-21, 4yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:25.86, st. PRETREVILLE (FR) (h, 7, Acclamation {GB}--Pegase Hurry, by Fusaichi Pegasus) Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 20-8-4-1, \$219,328. O-Shamrock Thoroughbreds & Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Serge Boucheron (FR); T-Adrian McGuinness. *€100,000 Ylg '16 AROYRG; €240,000 RNA HRA '20 ARARC; 95,000gns HRA '21 TATHRA.



IN BAHRAIN:

Chimgan (Ire), c, 3, Cotai Glory (GB)--Global Alexander (Ire), by Dark Angel (Ire). REHC, 1-21, Cond., 1200mT, 1:15.56. B-Mountarmstrong Stud. *£68,000 Ylg '20 GOFSEP.

VIDEO (SC 3)

Tall Order (Ire), g, 4, Muhaarar (GB)--Fate (Fr) (GSW-Fr, \$226,884), by Teofilo (Ire). REHC, 1-21, Hcp., 2400mT, 2:31.76. B-Fair Salinia Ltd. *95,000gns RNA Ylg '19 TATOCT; 9,000gns HRA '21 TATAUT. VIDEO (SC 5)

IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Groom (GB), c, 3, Aclaim (Ire)--Tohaveandtohold (GB), by Pivotal (GB). King Abdulaziz, 1-21, Cond., 1200m. B-Plantation Stud. *€30,000 RNA Wlg '19 GOFNOV; £36,000 Ylg '20 GOFSEP; 27,000gns HRA '21 TATAUT. VIDEO (SC 8)



Friday's Results:

1st-Meydan, Cond, \$100,000, 3yo, 6fT, 1:10.56, gd. SILENT SPEECH (GB) (c, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Epitome {Ire}, by Nashwan) was a debut second going seven furlongs at Newmarket on Oct. 29 and broke his maiden going the same trip over the Wolverhampton synthetic four weeks later. Off a step slow in this return to the turf, Silent Speech was away a step slow and moved to a far-side slot under William Buick. Niggled along passing the halfway mark down the Meydan straight, Silent Speech moved within striking range. Put to a drive approaching the 400 metre mark, the chestnut hit the lead passing the 300 metre mark and drew away to win by two lengths despite drifting right late on. Saeed bin Suroor's pacesetting Home City (Ire) (Profitable {Ire}) re-rallied late to

hold second. Silent Speech is a half-brother to Godolphin's G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere scorer Ultra (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}) and G3 Prix Minerve victress Synopsis (Ire) (In The Wings {GB}), as well as to the dam of last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf and G3 Somerville S. winner Modern Games (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), another member of the Appleby stable. His dam Epitome (Ire) (Nashwan) failed to find the winner's enclosure in her own racing career but has proven a very useful producer; she also has the listed-placed Epic Simile (GB) (Lomitas {GB}) to her credit, and Epitome has three daughters, including Epic Simile, who are stakes producers. Epitome, who is a daughter of the Italian champion filly Proskona (Mr. Prospector) and a half-sister to the GII Canadian S. winner Calista (GB) (Caerleon), has an as-yet unnamed 2-year-old colt by Kingman (GB). *1/2 to Synopsis (Ire) (In The Wings {GB}), GSW-Fr, \$106,635; Epic Simile (GB) (Lomitas {GB}) MSP-Fr; and Ultra (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}), G1SW-Fr, \$316,150. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$68,175. **Click for the Emirates Racing chart. VIDEO.** O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.



Silent Speech is from the family of Modern Games | Dubai Racing Club

2nd-Meydan, Cond, \$60,000, 3yo, 9fT, 1:47.58, gd. ISLAND FALCON (IRE) (c, 3, Iffraaj {GB}--Adoringly {Ire}, by Dubawi {Ire}) finished third on debut going 1800 metres at Goodwood on Oct. 10, and broke his maiden dropped down half a furlong at Nottingham three weeks later. Making his 3-year-old debut back up to 1800 metres, the bay was in no rush leaving the gates and found himself in the rear of the pack and on the fence down the backstretch. He gradually made up ground and was midpack rounding the bend, and shifted out to the three path to make his bid at the top of the straight. Set down by Frankie Dettori as the runaway pacesetter Pjerrot (Hard Spun) attempted to steal away, Island Falcon came with an eye-catching turn of foot, initially moving in tandem with the

2nd-Meydan cont.

Charlie Appleby-trained New Kingdom (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). He had that rival's measure late on, however, hitting the line a comfortable 1 1/4-length winner from New Kingdom, with Pjerrot sticking around for third. Island Falcon is out of Adoringly, an unraced daughter of the G1 Schweppes Oaks scorer Anamato (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), the dam of last year's G1 Inglis Sires S. and G1 Caulfield Guineas winner Anamoe (Aus) (**Street Boss**) and the listed-winning Anamba (GB) (Shamardal). The family has been particularly prolific Down Under, having also produced Group 1 winners like Grand Armeé (Aus) (Hennessy), Dealer Principal (Aus) (Flying Spur {Aus}), Yourdeel (NZ) (Dundeel {NZ}) and Wylie Hall (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), a multiple Group 1 and Classic winner in South Africa. Adoringly has an unnamed 2-year-old colt by Shamardal and a yearling colt by Blue Point (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$48,321. **Click for the Emirates Racing chart. VIDEO.**

O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.



Island Falcon is a relative of top Australian 3-year-old Anamoe | Dubai Racing Club

3rd-Meydan, Cond, \$60,000, 3yo, 7f, 1:24.32, fs.

RAWY (c, 3, Frosted--Graceful Rage, by Tiznow) a \$240,000 OBS March 2-year-old, finished second on debut at Meydan going six furlongs on the dirt on Dec. 23, and filled the same position over the same distance at Jebel Ali just six days ago. Away from the gates a half-length ahead of his rivals, Rawy took advantage and moved to the rail under Mickael Barzalona, leading the field by 2 1/2 lengths down the backstretch. That lead had dwindled to a half-length by the time they rounded the bend, with Mujeer (**Violence**) keen to make a race of it early, but Rawy soon shrugged that rival off, sprinting clear and putting four lengths

on him by the time he hit the 300. That advantage grew to as much as six lengths, but dwindled to two on the line with the colt ridden to the wire under hands and heels as Quality Boone (Arg) (Daniel Boone {Brz}) and Kiefer (Brz) (Drosselmeyer) chased in vain. Last year's GI Summer S. and Listed Stonehenge S. winner Albahr (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), who was scratched from the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf in November after acting up in the gate, traveled four-wide throughout and had no kick in the stretch, eventually settling for fifth. "Since we bought him from the United States he showed ability," said Rawy's trainer Salem bin Ghadayer. "To continue to think about the [UAE] 2000 Guineas we knew we must run him tonight to see where we are. He proved he has class today, we are happy. I don't think the mile [in the Guineas] will be too much of an issue. He has speed but he also has the stamina to make the mile, he's a horse with a good temperament. He's very lovely. Everything goes easy with him."



Rawy was a \$240,000 OBS March 2-year-old | Dubai Racing Club

Rawy is the second live foal out of the winning Graceful Rage (Tiznow), who has a 2-year-old filly by **Hard Spun** and a yearling daughter of Tapizar, and is due to foal to **Complexity** this season. Graceful Rage is a half-sister to listed winner and G2 Saratoga Special second Tip Tap Tapizar (Tapizar) and the listed-placed Divine Music (Songandaprayer). The third dam Strike A Balance (Green Dancer) produced the Canadian Horse of the Year and dual Grade I winner Peaks And Valleys as well as the stakes-winning Alternate, the dam of GI Pacific Classic winner **Higher Power** (Medaglia d'Oro), multiple group winner **Alternation** (Distorted Humor) and listed winner Interrupted (Broken Vow). It is also the family of GI Pegasus World Cup winner Mucho Gusto (**Mucho Macho Man**).

3rd-Meydan cont.

Sales history: \$75,000 wnl '19 KEENOV; \$40,000 yrl '20 KESEEP; \$240,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$43,761.

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O-RRR Racing; B-Spruce Lane Farm Et Al (NY); T-Salem bin Ghadayer.

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7th-Meydan, Cond, \$80,000, 3yo/up, 10f, 2:03.46, fs.
DUBAI ICON (GB) (g, 6, New Approach {Ire}--Arabian Beauty {Ire}, by Shamardal) Lifetime Record: SP-UAE, 14-4-3-0, \$135,135. O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.



HISTORY ON THE LINE IN STEWARDS' CUP

by *Alan Carasso*



Golden Sixty | HKJC photo

Reigning Hong Kong Horse of the Year **Golden Sixty (Aus)** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) is already the owner of one local record, having become the winningest horse in Hong Kong history when easily defending his title in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile six weeks ago. The 6-year-old looms a dominant favourite when he goes in search of a second consecutive victory in Sunday's G1 Stewards' Cup over his pet distance and two more records lie straight ahead.

The Hong Kong Mile was win number 19 from 20 starts and not only took him to within a couple of Group 1 wins of shattering the all-time earnings mark of Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock {Aus})--who retired with HK\$106 million in the bank--but also marked his 16th consecutive trip to the winner's circle dating back some 930 days to July 2019. Should he salute on Sunday, he will equal the winning streak set by the legendary Silent Witness (Aus) (El Moxie) as his own legend continues to grow.

Golden Sixty will race third-up in the Stewards' Cup and has been given a reasonably quiet time since the international Mile, finishing third to Group 1-winning sprinter **Wellington (Aus)** (All Too Hard {Aus}) in a 1000-metre trial Jan. 4 before being topped off with some easy hit-outs on the grass.

If connections are feeling any pressure, it isn't showing. "There's no record in my mind at the moment, just focusing on the race," jockey Vincent Ho told the HKJC notes team. "He's been working well. I'm looking forward to it. It's another small field. At the age of six, I think he's better than even before--mentally and physically."

Golden Sixty's challengers include last-out Group 3 winner **Healthy Happy (Aus)** (Zoustar {Aus}) and Mile runner-up **More Than This (GB)** (Dutch Art {GB}), while G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup third **Russian Emperor (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) will be using this as a prep for next month's G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup (2000mT).

In the afternoon's co-featured event, **Sky Field (Aus)** (Deep Field {Aus}), who took the tragedy-filled G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint last month, goes for a Group 1 double in the Centenary Sprint Cup, where he will face Wellington, who lost all chance when miraculously avoiding the spill in the Sprint; defending champion **Hot King Prawn (Aus)** (Denman {Aus}); undefeated **Master Eight (Aus)** (Oamaru Force {Aus}); and the flighty **Courier Wonder (NZ)** (Sacred Falls {NZ}).

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4.05 p.m.

STEWARDS' CUP-G1, HK\$12,000,000 (£1,129,079/€1,358,747/A\$2,119,638/US\$1,541,274), 3yo/up, 1600mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Golden Sixty (Aus)	Medaglia d'Oro	Ho	Lui	126
2	7	More Than This (GB)	Dutch Art (GB)	Leung	Shum	126
3	4	Waikuku (Ire)	Harbour Watch (Ire)	Purton	Size	126
4	3	Russian Emperor (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Shinn	Whyte	126
5	5	Sky Darci (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Moreira	Fownes	126
6	2	Healthy Happy (Aus)	Zoustar (Aus)	Badel	Lor	126
7	6	Kings Shield 	Scat Daddy	Bentley	Lor	126

Breeders: 1-Asco International Pty Ltd (Qld), 2-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd, 3-Shane Molan, 4-Coolmore, Lauri Macri & Partners, 5-M W Freeman & D G Price, 6-Lachlan River Bloodstick (Vic), 7-Rosemont Farm LLC (KY)

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 2.00 p.m.

CENTENARY SPRINT CUP-G1, HK\$12,000,000 (£1,129,079/€1,358,747/A\$2,119,638/US\$1,541,274), 3yo/up, 1200mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Sky Field (Aus)	Deep Field (Aus)	Shinn	Fownes	126
2	2	Wellington (Aus)	All Too Hard (Aus)	Badel	Gibson	126
3	7	Courier Wonder (NZ)	Sacred Falls (NZ)	Moreira	Size	126
4	4	Hot King Prawn (Aus)	Denman (Aus)	Purton	Size	126
5	6	Stronger (Aus)	Not A Single Doubt (Aus)	Ho	Whyte	126
6	5	Computer Patch (Aus)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Poon	Cruz	126
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