

MATING PLANS, PRESENTED BY SPENDTHRIFT: PETER BRANT



Peter Brant | Sarah Andrew

by Sue Finley

Peter Brant owns some of the best mares in the world, some of which he keeps in Europe--at Coolmore in Ireland and Haras des Capucines in France--and some in America, at Claiborne Farm. We spent a fascinating half-hour on the phone with Brant going through his 2022 matings for some of his best mares. "I spend a lot of time doing this," he said. It shows.

UNI (GB) (m, 8, More Than Ready--Unaided {GB}), by Dansili {GB}, to be bred to Frankel (GB)

Uni is in foal to **Kingman (GB)**, and she's going back to **Frankel**. She was a great mile, mile-and-a-sixteenth horse. **Frankel** gets very classic horses. Their conformation is very complementary to one another. They're both really good-looking horses.

BEAUTY PARLOUR (GB) (m, 13, Deep Impact {Jpn}--Bastet {Ire}, by Giant's Causeway), to be bred to Frankel (GB)

Beauty Parlour won the French Guineas and she's the dam of Blowout (GB). She's going to **Frankel**. She was second in the Prix de Diane, but she's really a mile to a mile-and-a-sixteenth horse and **Frankel** will give her more distance. I like the cross on Beauty Parlour with Galileo (Ire). **Cont. p3**

RACING A TIMELESS ODYSSEY FOR SMITH FAMILY by Jessica Martini

At first glance, it looks like a movie you've probably seen already. A horse-crazy girl leads her family into racing and, against all odds, they end up in the winner's circle after a big race. Only, for Gaylene Smith and her family, it's no movie. It's real life after Smith's 8-year-old granddaughter London asked for a racehorse early last year. Less than a year into operation, Smith's Willow's Green Stable won its first stakes race with **Timeless Bounty** (Elusive Hour), a \$15,000 claim who took the family to Santa Anita for the GI Malibu S. last December and who will represent them in the GIII General George S. at Laurel Park Saturday.

"It all started with my granddaughter, she's a horse person," Smith explained. "She started riding when she was five. She wants to do barrel racing and is working towards that as we speak." **Cont. p6**

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*In what he admits to be the twilight of his training career, Eddie Barker just could make it all the way to this year's GI Kentucky Derby with his New York-bred Shipsational (*Midshipman*). Bill Finley has the story.*

FLIGHTLINE COULD MAKE A DERBY DAY SHOWING

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*During this week's 'TDN Writers' Room' Podcast, trainer John Sadler told the panelists that 'TDN Rising Star' Flightline (*Tapit*) could be back in action as soon as the Kentucky Derby undercard.*

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DUNBAR ROAD (m, 6, Quality Road--Gift List, by Bernardini), to be bred to Into Mischief

Dunbar Road was just second, beaten a nose in the Breeders' Cup Distaff. She's by Quality Road, and as a maiden mare, she's going to Into Mischief. She's a classic mile-and-an-eighth to mile-and-a-quarter horse. I like to breed Into Mischief to middle-distance to classic-distance horses, to a mare that would stay, so we thought that would be a very good match.

CAFE AMERICANO (m, 6, Medaglia d'Oro--Roxy Gap, by Indian Charlie), to be bred to Tapit

Cafe Americano just had an Into Mischief filly on Tuesday. She will be bred back to Tapit. Tapit crosses really well with Medaglia d'Oro. She is a rangy kind of mare who is tall, and Tapit fit her in the cross and on the conformation. I wanted to have a chance of either a grass or dirt horse from her.

ENCHANTED ROCK (m, 18, Giant's Causeway--Chic Shirine, by Mr. Prospector), to be bred to Gun Runner

Enchanted Rock is the dam of Verrazano (More Than Ready). She was bred to Curlin in 2021, and she's going to Gun Runner. This is the first time I have used him. She's a very big mare and we thought Gun Runner would suit her for a dirt horse. She has been the dam of some good dirt horses, and she has an old King Ranch pedigree. She is a very, very good mare.

NAPLES PARADE (m, 8, Street Cry {Ire}--Treasure Trail, by Pulpit), to be bred to Into Mischief

Naples Parade was one of Ed Cox's mares. She was the sister to Long Island Sound (War Front) and she is out of a half-sister to Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}). She's got a lot of dirt in her family, she's by Street Cry, and Long Island Sound was a turf horse, but that's a good cross with Into Mischief. They suit each other conformation-wise, and Into Mischief gets more stocky-looking horses. Cont. p4



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WOW CAT (CHI) (m, 8, **Lookin At Lucky--Winter Cat {Chi}), by Cat Thief, to be bred to Into Mischief**

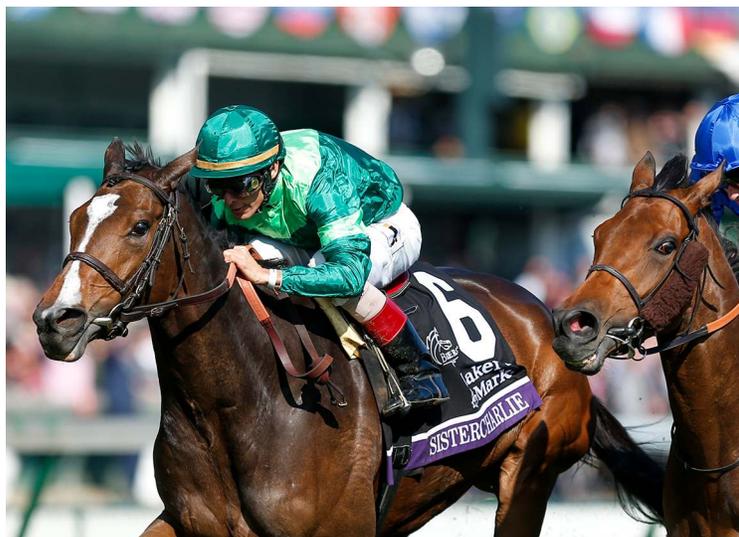
We are also breeding her to Into Mischief. She was second in the Breeders' Cup Distaff, she won the Beldame, came from Chile (where she was Horse of the Year in 2018), won a number of Group 1s in Chile and she is one of the best-looking mares we've had. She's a distance horse, a mile-and-a-quarter horse and we want to breed the best mile-and-a-quarter horses to Into Mischief.

PAID UP SUBSCRIBER (m, 10, **Candy Ride {Arg}--Shriek, by Street Cry {Ire}), to be bred to Tapit**

Paid Up Subscriber is going to Tapit. She is in foal to Into Mischief, and she hasn't foaled yet. Tapit has a tendency to get a distance horse. Plus, she's really a mile-and-a-sixteenth mare with a big girth and Tapit sometimes gets horses who are a little bit smaller. I thought the cross was great in terms of Candy Ride and Tapit.

FIFTY FIVE (m, 8, **Get Stormy--Soave, by Brahms), to be bred to Sottsass (Fr)**

Fifty Five had a Dubawi (Ire) filly this year. She is going to Sottsass. She was a brilliant miler and it's a little bit of inbreeding to Northern Dancer, which I like far back in the pedigree. There are some good female families in there. I like to cross horses that have great females in their history--super mares that were great racemares and great producers.



Champion Sistercharlie won the 2018 Breeders' Cup F/M Turf
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BLOWOUT (GB) (m, 6, Dansili {GB}--Beauty Parlour {GB}, by Deep Impact {Jpn}), to be bred to Frankel (GB)

Blowout goes to Frankel. She just won the [GI] First Lady at Keeneland this fall. She was a very, very good seven-furlong to a mile-and-a-sixteenth horse. I like Frankel with the Galileo (Ire) cross with Dansili. It's good Wildenstein blood and it's a classic cross. On conformation, they both suit each other.

HOMERIQUE (m, 7, Exchange Rate--Chiquita Picoso, by Congaree), to be bred to Dubawi (Ire)

She won graded stakes in the U.S. and Europe. She is ready to foal a Kingman (GB) foal and she is going back to Dubawi.

NEWSPAPEROFRECORD (IRE) (m, 6, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Sunday Times {GB}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), to be bred to Kingman (GB)

Newspaperofrecord is going to be bred to Kingman. I like the idea of a miler to a miler, and Kingmans in the U.S. have been running longer. We thought that's a horse we'd like to run in the U.S. That's why we chose him. Last year, she was bred to Frankel (GB).

PRECIEUSE (IRE) (m, 8, Tamayuz {GB}--Zut Alors {Ire}, by Pivotal {GB}), to be bred to Wootton Bassett (GB)

Precieuse, who won the French 1,000 Guineas, is in foal to

Kingman (GB) and she's going back to Wootton Bassett. She's a quick horse. Wootton Bassett gets a mile to a mile-and-a-quarter horse. We thought the conformation suited the cross very well.

SIGNIFICANT FORM (m, 7, Creative Cause--Church by the Sea, by Harlan's Holiday), to be bred to Sottsass (Fr)

She just had a Dubawi (Ire) colt, and she is going back to Sottsass. She won the Miss Grillo and the Ballston Spa. She's a very rangy horse that's very good with that Siyouni (Fr) blood. It's speed. It carried the distance. We like that for Significant Form. She was limited up to a mile-and-a-sixteenth, but she was top class up to that. We wanted to put some distance into her. She's beautiful. Great conformation.

SISTERCHARLIE (IRE) (m, 8, Myboycharlie {Ire}--Starlet's Sister {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}), to be bred to Dubawi (Ire)

It's a great cross, and Dubawi gets some nice speed milers and she was very fast, but this will put a little more speed into her. Sistercharlie's dam has been bred to Dubawi, with success.

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Gaylene Smith cont. from p1



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Smith continued, “She is obsessed with all things *Heartland* and all things *Secretariat* and *Seabiscuit*. We were sitting there one day and we had just watched a race on TV and she had watched those two movies about 400 times. She said, ‘I think we should have a racehorse.’ I was originally kind of shocked. I said to my son, ‘What do you think we have to do?’”

Smith’s son Jeremy threw himself into the new endeavor. “My son is a research person, so he started researching,” Smith said. “Last spring we got our first horse. And now we have 11.”

Before venturing into racing, the family had already come together to care for Smith’s ailing 97-year-old mother at their Ohio home.

“We bonded because we all have shifts,” she said. “We all live together now because of my mom. We insist on keeping her home and I work full time, besides having race horses. So my son and his family, they have their shifts. My grandson is 21 and he has his shift. We bonded over my mom.”

Focusing on racing became something else for the family to bond over. And they aren’t just weekend warriors. The Willow’s Green horses, trained by longtime family friend Dave Wilson, Jr., are stabled on a farm where they receive individualized attention.

“Some people say we have a petting zoo,” Smith said. “They are all so different, they are all trained by Dave according to their personality. They don’t all train exactly the same. It’s the same basics, but the approach is different. We don’t do anything with them for a few weeks. We let them evolve and try to figure out what their heads are like. Some of them are a little more difficult than others. And some of them are like big dogs.”

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Gaylene Smith cont.

She continued, “We just have a different approach from what we’ve seen. We don’t let them out in the pasture and do crazy stuff like that, but they are happy when they are at the farm. We can be more hands on. We do have people to do stalls, but we do them, too. Dave is involved. Tim Maxey, our farrier, is like a family member, too. And we are all just kind of rocking and rolling with the horses and the races, and discussing which race is the best one.”

London Smith may just be the family’s secret weapon.

“London came along and she's different,” Smith said with a chuckle. “They call her the horse whisperer. It doesn’t matter if we just bought a horse that day, she wants to go in the stall and get them to lie down and lay down with them and talk to them. She says, ‘I need to talk to them.’”



In the Mahoning Valley winner's circle | Conrad Photography

Last October, Willow’s Green Stables made what would turn out to be its biggest acquisition to date, claiming then 3-year-old Timeless Bounty for \$15,000 at Thistledown. Just two starts later, the colt became the stable’s first stakes starter when he went postward as a 59-1 outsider in the \$250,000 Steel Valley Sprint S. In an ending worthy of Hollywood, Timeless Bounty produced a powerful late rally to defeat a field which included established stakes performers Jaxon Warrior (Munnings) and Baby Yoda (Prospective) and earned over 11 times his claiming price.

“We got him in October and we didn’t really know him that well when he shocked the hell out of everybody,” Smith said. “That day is a day I will never ever forget in my life. I would have been ecstatic with fourth or fifth because there were some nice horses in that race.”

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Gaylene Smith cont.

Asked what it was like to watch her colors carried to victory in a stakes race, Smith said, “It was such a shock. My son just literally collapsed. We were speechless. I kept saying, ‘Oh my God. Oh my God.’ I’m crying, my son is crying. And London was saying, ‘Daddy he just won.’ Like why are you idiots crying? No matter what happens in the future, no day will be like this one.”

In recalling the day, Jeremy Smith used the word surreal more than once.

“We shed a lot of tears,” he said. “Our family has been going through quite a bit here lately with my grandmother not doing well. We’ve had some ups and downs as a family. The hugs, the tears and the embracing, was something that I don’t think any of us will ever forget for the rest of our lives. It had nothing to do with the money--I don’t think any of us could have told you what we’d won. That’s what I think was neat about it. He was a representation about what our family has been through. He was off the pace, a 59-1 longshot, kind of an underdog. You get knocked down, some people give up on you, but you don’t give up on yourself and you find a way to dig down deep and keep going. That’s what he did in there. He wasn’t expected to win. No one gave him a shot and I think he was just a representation of who and what we are as a family. If that makes sense.”

The victory earned Timeless Bounty and the Smith family a trip out West to test the deep waters in the Dec. 26 GI Malibu S. where he would finish fifth behind superstar Flightline (**Tapit**).

“He deserved the opportunity to be in that race,” Gaylene Smith said. “He had earned the right to be there. And so we flew him out there. I flew out there with some of my family and some of my family were already out there with him. There were lots of people--it’s not like races out here-- and we got the royal treatment, the meal, the whole nine yards. It was quite an experience. It was so different.”

Jeremy Smith described his first trip to Santa Anita like visiting the historic home of baseball’s Chicago Cubs for the first time.

“It was an honor to be at Santa Anita--just going there and seeing the backdrop of the place. It was kind of like going to Wrigley Field for the first time,” he said. “You just felt the history of the place. It was beautiful.”

Of competing against a horse like Flightline, Jeremy Smith added, “Flightline is a special horse and it was an honor to be in that horse’s presence and watch him run. He ran so effortlessly. It was an honor to be in a race with him.”

Timeless Bounty will get another try against graded company when he faces six foes in the seven-furlong General George Saturday at Laurel.

“We are excited,” Gaylene Smith said of the upcoming race. “I hope he does very well and makes himself proud.”

Smith is also looking forward to retiring from a 30-plus career in the food services industry to spend more time with her growing racing stable.

“I would love that. I would absolutely love that,” she said.

Looking at the winding road that has led to the 11-horse stable, Jeremy Smith said, “We have just been blessed and are enjoying the journey. That’s what it comes down to. We didn’t get into this business thinking it was going to be something that would take over our lives. But ever since we got into it, it’s pretty much consumed all of us. There are no days off, it’s around the clock. But honestly, I don’t know if any one of us would change anything. Win, lose or draw, I think these animals have touched our lives in a different way. If none of them ever ran a race again, I think we would have a very tough time getting rid of any of them. They have become part of the family. They have welcomed us into their herd and we are blessed to have them in our life.”

Gaylene Smith is looking forward to the stable settling into its second year of existence.

“Last year, we had to start up, we didn’t have anything,” she said. “We didn’t have tack. We had to get everything. So hopefully this year, it will be a little bit more relaxed. As a family effort, it has been absolutely marvelous.”

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Since he ran his first horse in 1994, Eddie Barker's routine has never changed. Every day, he gets up at an ungodly hour and heads to his work, which is his barn on the NYRA backstretch. The reward has been some winners here and there, but never more than 23 in a single year and not one of them a graded stakes winner. The GI Kentucky Derby? It's a race he watches on television.

In a sport dominated by the likes of the Bob Baffert, Todd Pletcher, Chad Brown, Steve Asmussen mega-stables, the Eddie Barkers of the profession don't get many chances to show what they can do if ever getting their hands on a quality horse. But that may change this year. In New York-bred **Shipsational** (**Midshipman**), the runner-up in the GIII Sam F. Davis S. last Saturday at Tampa Bay Downs, the 76-year-old veteran trainer has a horse who can hold his own in graded company and appears to be a legitimate threat for the Derby. Barker has been waiting his entire career for such a horse.

"A guy like myself, we don't get that many horses that come along with the ability to run the kind of numbers you need to get into the Derby," Barker said. "It makes all that getting up every morning at three o'clock over the last 30 years worth it."

Barker became a trainer by accident. He had a feed store and a customer was unable to pay the bills. In order to satisfy the debt, Barker was offered a mare in foal. He accepted and rather than hiring a trainer, he decided to do it himself.

He won five races his first year and 17 over the first three years. His numbers would improve some in subsequent years, but he was having to make do mostly with claimers and horses he would pluck out of the sales for \$15,000, \$20,000. Along the way, he never lost confidence in his own abilities.

"It's a challenge, I can tell you that," he said. "You're trying to compete against guys who get access to the best horses in the world. Where I have one, they have 25 or 30. You have to believe in your horse and you have to believe in yourself."

Barker said it's only become harder over the years for the "little guy" to compete. When he started, a trainer in New York was limited to about 35 stalls. Today, a trainer might have 80 at Belmont, 50 at Saratoga and another division at a place like Monmouth.

"Sometimes you were fortunate enough to get some horses that the larger stables couldn't take," he said. "With a little personal care and attention they did very well. That does not happen anymore."

An obvious problem for Barker, who has a 17-horse stable, was that none of his owners had particularly deep pockets. That changed somewhat when Iris Smith decided to give Barker a chance. While she was never going to spend \$1 million at the sales for a horse, she did have the means to pay in the low six figures.

With Smith's backing, Barker headed to the 2021 OBS March sale and fell in love with a **Midshipman** colt bred by Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Firestone.

"We picked (Shipsational) out off his breeze," he said. "He looked so efficient and had such a long stride on him. His gallop-out was sensational. The other plus was he was a New York-bred. We thought we could get him for \$150,000, but I don't think I would have left the sale without him. He really impressed me."



Shipsational closed out 2021 with a Sleepy Hollow win | *Coglianesse*

Shipsational, who sold for \$210,000, broke his maiden in his first start, drawing off to win by 6 3/4 lengths. After finishing fourth in the Funny Cide S., he won the Bertram Bongard S. and the Sleepy Hollow S. to conclude his 2-year-old year. All of his 2-year-old starts came against New York-breds. **Cont. p10**

Eddie Barker cont.

Some trainers may have kept Shipsational in New York to face state-bred company, but Barker wasn't about to miss out on the chance to test his colt against top open company to see if he had a Derby horse. He shipped Shipsational to Tampa and circled the Sam F. Davis on his calendar.

"These horses don't come around that often. I was going to take a shot," he said.

Shipsational was clearly second-best in the Sam F. Davis, losing by 3 3/4 lengths to top Derby hopeful Classic Causeway (Giant's Causeway). But Barker said he did not have the horse ready for his best effort and estimated that he was about 80% fit.

"I kind of thought he was a Derby horse, but he had to answer a lot of questions," Barker said. "Could he run around two turns? He had been running against New York-breds. Could he run against open stakes company? He answered all of my questions and I feel that he's going to go forward off this race. He got a lot out of it."

There will be more questions to answer when Shipsational returns for the GII Tampa Bay Derby on March 12, where he's scheduled to have a rematch with Classic Causeway. Barker will have a lot of people rooting for him, all those trainers who have kept plugging away without ever getting a break or an opportunity to show what they can do with a good horse.

"Even if I come in 10th in the Derby it would be a victory for the little guy," Barker said. "I'm getting close to the end of my career. I would like to see some of the smaller trainers around New York and around the country get a better shot. They are all doing the same thing. They work hard, are there early in the morning, they put their time in and have a modest amount of success. You put a good horse in their hands they will do just as well as Todd Pletcher or Chad Brown or anyone else. They just need a chance."

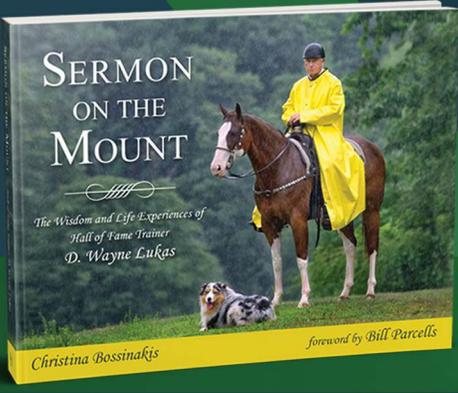
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FLIGHTLINE COULD RE-EMERGE IN CHURCHILL DOWNS S. *by Bill Finley*

The undefeated sensation **Flightline** (**Tapit**), last seen thumping his rivals in the GI **Runhappy** Malibu S. at Santa Anita Dec. 26, may return to the races sooner than later and one possible spot where he could have his next start is the seven-furlong GI Churchill Downs S. May 7, the day of the GI Kentucky Derby.

Appearing on this week's *TDN Writers' Room* podcast, trainer John Sadler said he did not think the injury suffered by the '**TDN Rising Star**' would keep him sidelined for long. Sadler announced last week that Flightline would miss his planned start in the GII San Carlos S. Mar. 5 at Santa Anita after being diagnosed with a strained hock.

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"What I wanted to say all along is that this is a setback," Sadler said. "It's not more severe than that. I don't want to be tied to a specific timetable, like he'll be out two weeks or three weeks. We don't know exactly how long yet. We'll let him come along at his own pace."

Flightline cont.

When asked about a possible racing schedule going forward, Sadler replied: "So far as the time line goes, the only thing we know that is off the table is the San Carlos. We've always said we were looking at the Met Mile and that is still kind of the goal. With the San Carlos out, he could he run at Churchill in the (Churchill Downs S.), which we won last year with Flagstaff (Speightstown). It might make some sense to go there. There are a lot of things to think about."

A start in the Churchill Downs S. followed by the GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan H. would mean that Flightline would head into the summer months having never raced beyond a mile or around two turns. Sadler said he's convinced his 4-year-old will do even better once given the opportunity to run longer.

"I'm looking at the Breeders' Cup Classic," he said. "It's just that when you have a setback it's hard to go from first base to third. We think that this horse will be better longer. If you look at his races and watch him run when he's going 1:08 it's not like he's going 1:08 and is going to slow up. He is cruising along. You could make the case that he will be better at longer distances. He trains like he will be better at longer distances. We're just not there yet. We're definitely looking to stretch him out."

Sadler has approached every move with Flightline with caution, but said he hasn't treated this horse any differently than any other horse he might have in his barn that are less valuable and less talented.

"When you're racing in California, the standard of care is the same for all these horses," he said "I treat him the same as I would with all of them. The only difference is I'm on here with you guys talking about him. If it were another horses and this happened I'd only be talking to the owner."

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BRIAN LYNCH TALKS CLASSIC CAUSEWAY, JOHN SADLER GIVES FLIGHTLINE UPDATE ON WRITERS' ROOM



Click for the Writers' Room podcast with guest Brian Lynch

Kentucky West Racing and Clarke Cooper's **Classic Causeway** stamped himself as a major GI Kentucky Derby contender Saturday when convincingly taking the GIII Sam F. Davis S. at Tampa Bay Downs for trainer Brian Lynch, and Tuesday, Lynch joined the *TDN* Writers' Room **presented by Keeneland**. Sitting down with Joe Bianca and Bill Finley as the **Green Group Guest of the Week**, Lynch talked about his colt—one of the final horses by late superstar sire Giant's Causeway—provided updates on other top horses in his barn, reminisced about his time spent as an assistant for Bobby **Frankel** and more.

"I thought I might have dodged the [GIII] Holy Bull into a tougher spot, once it had all come out on paper," Lynch said of the Sam Davis. "Because it looked like it was a pretty competitive race and a lot of horses wanted to be forwardly placed and that was the way I'd seen him running his race. When I walked into the paddock, it was a really good-looking group of 3-year-olds. But then when he walked in, I thought, 'Ah, I'm OK.' He looked great. When that :22 and change came up [for the first quarter] and they straightened for the run down the backside, I could see [jockey Irad Ortiz, Jr.'s] body language telling me, 'I'm cruising. I'm comfortable. This [other horse] is hanging on to me, but I've got plenty of horse.' When we got halfway around the far turn, you could see them all try and edge up on him, but Irad still hadn't moved a finger. So that gave me plenty of confidence that he had some horse for his run down the lane."

Asked about his time working for the legendary **Frankel**, Lynch said, "I trained for a lot of years out in California on my own and I'd known Bobby for many, many years before I went to work for

him. I trained for Golden Eagle Farm, and when Mr. [John] Mabee died, Bobby said to me, 'They're going to downsize that operation, you need to come work for me. We've got a lot of 2-year-olds coming in here.' He talked me into coming out to Saratoga and taking a string of horses for him there. And every day, I think of what a blessing that was. It was my best move. He exposed me to a lot of good clients and a lot of good horses. When I think back, Bobby was probably not the greatest teacher, but if you were around him and didn't learn a lot, shame on you. He had that sixth sense, and he was all about the horse first. It was just a great experience to be around him for so many years, and it gave me a good feel for how to manage horses, how to get them to the races and how to keep them around."

Elsewhere on the show, which is also sponsored by **Coolmore**, the **Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders**, **XBTV**, **Lane's End**, **West Point Thoroughbreds** and **Legacy Bloodstock**, the hosts welcomed John Sadler to give an **injury update** on his barn superstar Flightline (**Tapit**) and held their annual 3-year-old fantasy draft. Click [here](#) for the video podcast; click [here](#) for the audio-only version or find it on Apple Podcasts or Spotify.

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AMENDED ACCUSATIONS SET BALL ROLLING TOWARDS BLEA HEARING *By Dan Ross*



Dr. Jeff Blea | AAEP

In an amended accusation, the California Veterinary Medical Board has revised its original set of complaints leveled against California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) equine medical director, Jeff Blea.

The additional information, however, mostly "fine-tunes" what was included in the **original accusation** against Blea and doesn't change the "big picture," said George Wallace, Blea's attorney.

Blea cont.

According to **various leading veterinary medical experts**, that big picture is one largely of lax record keeping.

What the amended accusation does, however, is set the ball rolling on a rough time-table leading to a full hearing, giving Blea 15 days with which to file a notice of defense.

Once Blea's notice of defense has been filed, the formal hearing is required to be scheduled within 30 days, said Wallace. But due to the complicated nature of the case, it will likely take longer, he said.

"We expect to oppose and refute most everything here when the appropriate time comes. It remains the case that the allegations of the Accusation are disputed, and will be either refuted altogether or shown to be consistent with the professional and legal obligations of equine veterinarians generally, and particularly of equine veterinarians at California race tracks," Wallace wrote in an email, regarding the amended accusation.

Blea was put on **administrative leave** from his position as California horse racing's head veterinarian by UC Davis in January. As per an **administrative law judge ruling** from earlier this month, Blea's veterinary license is also temporarily suspended pending a formal hearing.

In the interim, Blea might still seek injunctive relief in the California Superior Court to lift the temporary block on his veterinary license due to the fact the suspension has "serious problems in terms of a lack of an evidentiary basis," Wallace said. A decision on such a move could arrive by next week, he said.

After the administrative law judge's ruling earlier in February, CHRB executive director, Scott Chaney, explained that the agency was contemplating similar legal intervention in the Superior Court on behalf of Blea.

According to a CHRB spokesperson Wednesday, no decision had yet been made on the agency's legal approach in the case.

The veterinary board accuses Blea of a number of offenses, including allegedly administering drugs to racehorses without a prior examination to form a diagnosis and determine medical necessity, failing to establish "any" veterinary-client-patient relationship, and of issuing drugs that are not FDA approved for equine administration.

A subsequent TDN investigation found a broad consensus among veterinary medical experts that the infractions are largely matters of poor record keeping which typically result in punitive actions less severe than a suspended license.

Veterinary experts also suggested that the investigation potentially failed to account for the unusual nature of veterinary practice on the backstretch, where veterinarians with multiple barns under their care can build the sort of relationship with

their animals that is absent from traditional small animal practice.

In its original argument for an interim suspension, the veterinary board also claimed 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 GI Kentucky Derby winner who collapsed and died after a scheduled workout Dec. 6 at Santa Anita.

The final results of that necropsy were **issued to the public** last week, with Medina Spirit's cause of death ultimately "undetermined."

According to UC Davis, Blea remains on administrative leave, despite completion of the necropsy.

"The conclusion of the Medina Spirit necropsy does not affect the status of the equine medical director position. Dr. Blea's administrative leave continues. In the meantime, school personnel continue to fulfill the duties of the equine medical director for the California Horse Racing Board," wrote a UC Davis spokesperson, in an email.

The amended accusation includes details that weren't included in the original complaint.

It states, for example, that Blea's veterinarian confidential reports revealed "clusters of equine patients were administered identical medications and treatments, at the same time, at the request of their trainers without medical necessity."

Listed are the following substances that are commonly found along the racetrack backstretch: Adequan, Gastrogard, Aspirin powder, Acepromazine pills, Uniprim, Otomax, Legend (a hyaluronic acid), and Tucoprim powder.

The amended accusation also adds additional substances to those that Blea reportedly possessed or used that have not been approved by the FDA.

But as Bryan Langlois, former president of the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association, **had previously told the TDN**, just because certain drugs don't have FDA approval for use in horses doesn't mean veterinarians are prohibited from prescribing them.

"A lot of drugs that are out there, they're FDA approved but only in certain species or only in humans. The companies never did the trials to test them in animals to get the FDA certification. So, a lot of times, we prescribe these drugs as off-label use," Langlois had told the *TDN*.

"Usually, what that means is that there is no FDA approved equivalent out there for that species. The research has been done and the drug dosage has been worked out so that it can be used safely in animals, you just have to make the owner aware of the fact that you're using it off-label," he had said.

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Blea cont.

Among the punitive outcomes the veterinary medical board is seeking against Blea is full revocation or suspension of his license.

The *TDN* asked Langlois to review the amended accusation. In a text, he explained that the nature of the allegations still don't rise to the level requiring immediate license suspension.

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Every week, the *TDN* publishes a roundup of key official rulings from the primary tracks within the four major racing jurisdictions of California, New York, Florida and Kentucky.

[Here's a primer](#) on how each of these jurisdictions adjudicates different offenses, what they make public (or not) and where.

California

Track: Santa Anita

Date: 02/11/2022

Licensee: Aaron Eric Kroul, owner

Penalty: Suspension

Violation: Failure to appear before stewards on financial responsibility charges

Explainer: Owner Aaron Eric Kroul, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita Park on Feb. 10, 2022, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility--DVM John Araujo, \$829.50).

Suspension to commence on Feb. 18, 2022. During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Aaron Eric Kroul are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

Track: Santa Anita

Date: 02/11/2022

Licensee: Ruben Valdes, owner

Penalty: License restoration

Violation: N/A

Explainer: Owner Ruben Valdes, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility--\$4,240.00 to K C Horse Transport, Inc.) is restored to good standing. LATS #31 ruling issued at Santa Anita Park on Jan. 28, 2022, is set aside.

Track: Santa Anita

Date: 02/12/2022

Licensee: Ruben Gomez, trainer

Penalty: \$500 fine

Violation: Late declaration

Explainer: Trainer Ruben Gomez, who was scheduled to start LADY MO in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on Feb. 11, 2022, is fined \$500.00 for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration--didn't want to run). *Rule #1532. Fine shall be paid to the Paymaster within calendar days from the date of this ruling, or the license of the person upon whom the fine has been imposed shall be suspended.

Track: Santa Anita

Date: 02/13/2022

Licensee: Jonathan Wong, trainer

Penalty: \$500 fine

Violation: Late declaration

Explainer: Trainer Jonathan Wong, who was scheduled to start ATLANTIC STRIKE in the third race at Santa Anita Park on Feb. 12, 2022, is fined \$500.00 for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration--didn't want to run).

New York

Track: Aqueduct

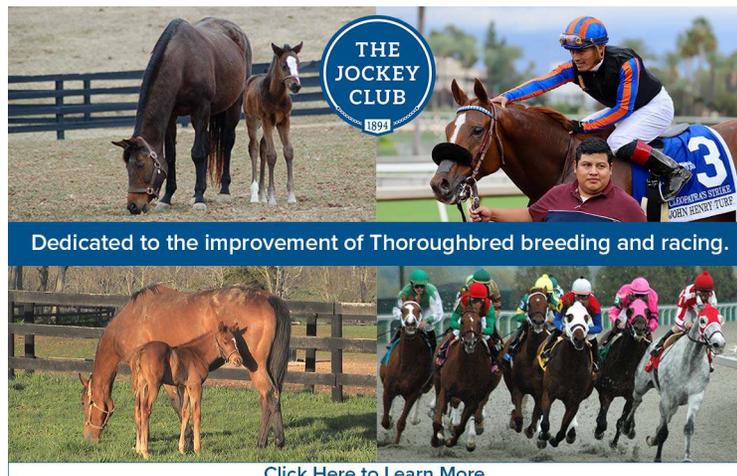
Date: 02/11/2022

Licensee: Michael Simmonds, trainer

Penalty: \$500

Violation: Late scratch

Explainer: Trainer Mr. Michael Simmonds is hereby fined the sum of \$500.00 dollars for failing to tend to business in a proper manner necessitating a late scratch in the sixth race on Jan. 23, 2022 at Aqueduct Racetrack. **Cont. p15**



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Track: Aqueduct

Date: 02/11/2022

Licensee: Michael Simmonds, trainer

Penalty: \$300

Violation: Late scratch

Explainer: Mr. Michael Simmonds is hereby fined the sum of \$500.00 dollars for failing to tend to business in a proper manner necessitating a late scratch in the ninth race on Jan. 23, 2022 at Aqueduct Racetrack.

Track: Aqueduct

Date: 02/14/2022

Licensee: Jeremiah C Englehart, owner/trainer

Penalty: \$500 fine and 7-day suspension

Violation: Medication violation

Explainer: Having received a report from the NYS Gaming Commission Equine Drug Testing Laboratory of the finding of Prednisolone in the body fluid sample taken from Horse "Catch That Party" (#5) which finished 2nd in the 6th race on Oct. 17, 2021, and having waived his right to appeal, Owner/Trainer Mr. Jeremiah C Englehart is suspended for 7 Calendar days effective Feb. 14-Feb. 20, 2022 inclusive and fined \$500.00 dollars. Furthermore, the Stewards order horse "Catch That Party" disqualified from any part of the purse and the purse redistributed as follows:

1. (#1) Chulainn
2. (#9) Grape Nuts Warrior
3. (#10) Cotton
4. (#7) Agent Creed
5. (#8) Fatima's Blessing
6. (#4) Mr. Kringle
7. (#2) Missionatthespa
8. (#6) Regality
9. (#3) Work Out

Ordered that during your period of suspension, you shall not directly or indirectly participate in New York State pari-mutuel horse racing. You are denied the privileges and use of the grounds of all racetracks, you are forbidden to participate in any share of purses or other payment. Every horse is denied the privileges of the grounds and shall not participate in pari-mutuel racing in New York State, that (a) is owned or trained by you, or by any individuals who serves as your agent or employee during your suspension; or (b) for which you during your suspension are directly or indirectly with training, including any arrangements to care for, train, enter, race, invoice, collect fees

or other payments, manage funds, employ or insure workers, provide advise or other information or otherwise assist with any aspect of the training of such horses.

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DALOS TO RECEIVE AWARD OF MERIT

Ivan Dalos with Amis Gizmo | Michael Burns photo

Prominent owner/breeder Ivan Dalos will be presented with the E. P. Taylor Award of Merit during the 47th Sovereign Awards ceremony to be held Thursday, Apr. 14 in Vaughan, Ontario.

The owner of the Ontario-based Tall Oaks Farm, Dalos has been involved with Thoroughbreds for 45 years and has bred the likes of Victory Gallop and Channel Maker, winning more than a dozen Sovereign Awards, including as outstanding breeder. He has raced the likes of homebreds Ami's **Flatter**, Ami's Mesa and Amis Gizmo to a variety of stakes successes both north and south of the border.

The Jockey Club of Canada will also present Denzil Fonseca was the award for outstanding groom, sponsored by OLG. Currently employed by trainer Michael Doyle, Fonseca is marking his 40th year on the Woodbine backstretch this year. Among the horses he has cared for are Queen's Plate winner Holy Helena and Tiz Imaginary.

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AFFIRMED SUCCESS EUTHANIZED AT OLD FRIENDS



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Affirmed Success (Affirmed--Towering Success, by Irish Tower), a three-time Grade I winner at seven and eight furlongs and back-to-back winner of the GIII Poker H. on the turf, was euthanized Feb. 16 at Old Friends in Georgetown, Kentucky. He was 28 years old and according to attending veterinarians, was suffering from chronic hoof infections.

A homebred for Al Fried, Jr. and trained throughout by Rich Schosberg, Affirmed Success won the first three starts of his career and was third to Awesome Again in the 1997 GII Jim Dandy S., but made his name as a top-class sprinter/miler on the dirt, winning the GI Vosburgh S. and the GI Carter H. at seven furlongs and the GI Cigar Mile H. In his first of eight appearances on the turf, Affirmed Success won the first of his two Pokers in 2000 and was beaten a neck and two noses behind War Chant, North East Bound and Dansili (GB) in that year's GI Breeders' Cup Mile. He became the oldest winner of the GIII Toboggan H. at the age of eight in 2003. He retired with 17 wins overall from 42 career starts and earnings in excess of \$2.2 million. Affirmed Success was originally retired to the Kentucky Horse Park and featured in the daily 'Parade of Breeds' show, but when soundness issues precluded his continued participation, he was transferred to Old Friends.

"He was such an incredible race horse, and he had such a great personality," said Schosberg. "Beside his obvious talent, he had class, was brilliant, and was a joy to train. He always put in his best effort. And with his high cruising speed and running style he was exciting for the fans to watch, too.

"You think of a horse like that as the iron horse, as indestructible," Schosberg added, "but being in this business my entire life, you know that day is going to come. But he had an incredible life. He had a great life on the track and an incredible life in his aftercare at Old Friends."

"I like my horses the way I like my people, honest and hardworking, and Affirmed Success completely embodied that," said jockey Richard Migliore, who rode Affirmed Success to four victories, including the 2002 Carter. "He was as hard-working and tenacious as any horse that I've ever been around, and I am happy to have been a small part of his history. I take comfort in knowing that he had a great twilight of his life."

"He was one of my first horses, and he was a great champion," said owner-breeder Al Fried, Jr. "I am so sorry to lose him."

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OAKS EARLY NOMINATIONS CLOSE SATURDAY

Early nominations for the May 6 GI Longines Kentucky Oaks are due by Saturday. Early nominations to the Kentucky Oaks cost \$200. Fillies that are not nominated during the early phase may nominate from Feb. 20-April 16 with a \$1,500 payment. A supplementary nomination of \$25,000 may be made at the time of entry.

Last year, 105 fillies were nominated during the early phase to the Oaks with five late nominations.

In recent years, nominations to the \$1-million GI Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic ran concurrently with the Oaks. This year, nominations to the Turf Classic will close Apr. 16.

For more information about nominations to the Longines Kentucky Oaks, visit www.churchilldowns.com/horsemen.

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CDI NAMES SIMON SENIOR V.P., CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER

Edited Press Release

Officials at Churchill Downs Incorporated (CDI) have announced that Nate Simon has been named Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of the company. He will be responsible for providing strategic technology leadership and services. Simon replaces Ben Murr who was promoted to President of TwinSpires and Online Gaming in January.

Simon joined CDI in 2011 as Vice President of Operations for the Company's United Tote division before his promotion to President of United Tote in 2012. During that time, Simon was accountable for over 200 employees across the United States and Canada and over \$25 million in global revenue.

"I am very proud of the results Nate has delivered in modernizing United Tote over the past 10 years," said Bill Carstanjen, Chief Executive Officer of CDI. "We look forward to him building on these contributions by delivering further

innovation and growth to the Company as the Chief Technology Officer.”

Prior to joining CDI, Simon was the Global Head of IT Operations for Clariant. He started his career with General Electric Co. where he completed the GE Information Management Leadership Program and worked as an Enterprise Resource Planning Project Leader. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science from Indiana University.

Simon’s promotion is effective immediately. CDI will move quickly to fill the role of President of United Tote.

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WANAMAKER'S FEBRUARY CATALOGUE RELEASED

The catalogue for the upcoming Wanamaker's February Sale, which features 32 hips, was released Wednesday. The catalogue includes nine no-guarantee stallion seasons for 2022, as well as eight broodmares from Ron Lombardi's Mr Amore Stable and two Maryland-bred juveniles from Anchor & Hope Farm.

The on-line auction will be open for nine days, with live bidding opening at 8 a.m. ET Feb. 16 and the first listing closing Feb. 24 at 5 p.m. Subsequent listings will end in three-minute increments.

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Date	Race	Track
Feb. 19	GII Risen Star S., pres. by Lamarque Ford	Fair Grounds
	GII Rachel Alexandra S. presented by Fasig-Tipton	Fair Grounds
Feb. 20	GIII Fair Grounds S.	Fair Grounds
	GIII Mineshaft S.	Fair Grounds
	GIII Gulfstream Park Sprint	Gulfstream
	GIII General George S.	Laurel
Feb. 26	GIII Barbara Fritchie S.	Laurel
	GIII San Simeon S.	Santa Anita
Mar. 5	GII Rebel S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Honeybee S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Royal Delta S.	Gulfstream
	GI Santa Anita H.	Santa Anita
	GI Beholder Mile S.	Santa Anita
	GI F. E. Kilroe Mile	Santa Anita
	GII San Carlos S.	Santa Anita
	GII San Felipe S.	Santa Anita
	GII Buena Vista S.	Santa Anita
	GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S.	Gulfstream
	GII Davona Dale S.	Gulfstream
	GII Mac Diarmida S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Canadian Turf S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Herecomesthebride S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Honey Fox S.	Gulfstream
	GIII The Very One S.	Gulfstream
Mar. 6	GIII Gotham S.	Aqueduct
	GIII Tom Fool H.	Aqueduct
Mar. 12	GIII Santa Ysabel S.	Santa Anita
	GII Lambholm So. Tampa Bay Derby	Tampa Bay
	GII Hillsborough S.	Tampa Bay
	GII Azeri S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Florida Oaks	Tampa Bay
	GIII Challenger S.	Tampa Bay
	GIII Hurricane Bertie S.	Gulfstream
	GIII San Luis Rey S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Las Flores S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Essex H.	Oaklawn
Mar. 13	GIII Whitmore S.	Oaklawn
	GII TwinSpires.com Louisiana Derby	Fair Grounds
Mar. 26	GII TwinSpires.com Fair Grounds Oaks	Fair Grounds
	GII Muniz Memorial Classic	Fair Grounds
	GII New Orleans Classic	Fair Grounds
	GII Santa Ana S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Sunland Park Derby	Sunland Park
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	GII Gulfstream Park Oaks	Gulfstream
	GII Pan American S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Kitten's Joy Appleton S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Ghostzapper S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Orchid S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Fantasy S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Oaklawn Mile S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks	Turfway
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Saturday, Fair Grounds #13, post time: 6:58 p.m. EST

RISEN STAR S. PRESENTED BY LAMARQUE FORD-GII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Pappacap	Gun Runner	Rustlewood Farm, Inc.	Casse	Gaffalione	122
2	Russian Tank 🦄	Tourist	Glockenburg LLC	Dorochenko	Vega	122
3	Trafalgar	Lord Nelson	Columbine Stable LLC.	Stall, Jr.	Hernandez	122
4	Tawny Port 🦄	Pioneerof the Nile	Peachtree Stable	Cox	Geroux	122
5	Epicenter 🦄	Not This Time	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	122
6	Pioneer of Medina 🦄	Pioneerof the Nile	Sumaya U.S. Stable	Pletcher	Saez	122
7	Zandon 🦄	Upstart	Jeff Drown	Brown	Ortiz	122
8	Smile Happy 🦄	Runhappy	Lucky Seven Stable	McPeck	Lanerie	122
9	Bodock	Street Boss	Calumet Farm	Cox	Pedroza, Jr.	122
10	Slow Down Andy	Nyquist	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	122

Breeders: 1-Rustlewood Farm, Inc., 2-WinStar Farm, LLC, 3-Machmer Hall, 4-WinStar Farm, LLC, 5-Westwind Farms, 6-International Equities Holding, Inc., 7-Brereton C. Jones, 8-Moreau Bloodstock Int'l Inc. & White Bloodstock LLC, 9-Calumet Farm, 10-Reddam Racing, LLC

Saturday, Fair Grounds #12, post time: 6:27 p.m. EST

RACHEL ALEXANDRA S. PRESENTED BY FASIG-TIPTON-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	La Crete	Medaglia d'Oro	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	122
2	North County	Not This Time	Hillen, Rebecca, Stonecrest Farm & De Julio, Bruno	Walsh	Beschizza	122
3	Miss Mattie B 🦄	Tonalist	Westlake Racing Stable	Hess, Jr.	Smith	122
4	Dream Lith	Medaglia d'Oro	Cypress Creek Equine and Bennewith, Arnold	Diodoro	Vazquez	122
5	Divine Huntress	Divining Rod	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Long Valley Stables	Motion	Ortiz	122
6	Candy Raid 🦄	Candy Ride (Arg)	Don't Tell My Wife Stables & Desormeaux, J. Keith	Desormeaux	Riquelme	122
7	Turnerloose 🦄	Nyquist	Thrash, Ike and Dawn	Cox	Geroux	122
8	Goddess of Fire	Mineshaft	Red Oak Stable	Pletcher	Saez	122
9	Awake At Midnyte 🦄	Nyquist	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	122
10	California Angel 🦄	California Chrome	Chris Walsh	Leonard, III	Parker	122
11	Hidden Connection 🦄	Connect	Hidden Brook Farm and Black Type Thoroughbreds	Calhoun	Gutierrez	122

Breeders: 1-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 2-Shadow Pond Stable, 3-R. S. Evans, 4-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 5-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Ricky L. Buckley & Joshua Dreiband, 6-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 7-William Humphries & Altair Farms LLC, 8-Red Oak Stable, 9-Forty Oaks, 10-Irish National Stud, 11-St. Simon Place



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Saturday, Fair Grounds #10, post time: 5:25 p.m. EST**MINESHAFT S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sprawl	City Zip	Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.	Drury, Jr.	Gaffalione	118
2	Silver Prospector 🌿	Declaration of War	Orr, Ed and Orr, Susie	Asmussen	Rosario	118
3	Title Ready	More Than Ready	Charles E. Fipke	Stewart	Gutierrez	118
4	Olympiad 🌿	Speightstown	Grandview Equine, Cheyenne Stable & LNJ Foxwoods	Mott	Alvarado	118
5	Miles D 🌿	Curlin	Brant, Peter M. and LaPenta, Robert V.	Brown	Ortiz	122
6	Fort Peck	Fort Larned	Flying P Stable	Diodoro	Vazquez	118
7	Midcourt 🌿	Midnight Lute	C R K Stable LLC	Shirreffs	Geroux	118
8	O Besos	Orb	Bernard Racing LLC, Tagg Team Racing, West Point Thoroughbreds and Stephens, Terry L.	Foley	Hernandez, Jr.	118
9	Happy American 🌿	Runhappy	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Pessin	Graham	118
10	Untreated 🌿	Nyquist	Team Valor International, LLC	Pletcher	Saez	118
11	Big Dreaming	Declaration of War	Frank Carl Calabrese	Catalano	Loveberry	118

Breeders: 1-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 2-Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC, 3-Charles Fipke, 4-Emory A. Hamilton, 5-River Bend Farm, 6-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC, 7-Dixiana Farms LLC, 8-L. Barrett Bernard, 9-Claiborne Farm, 10-Ashview Farm & Old Oak Farm, 11-Frank C. Calabrese

Saturday, Fair Grounds #11, post time: 5:56 p.m. EST**FAIR GROUNDS S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cavalry Charge	Honor Code	West Point Thoroughbreds, Sandbrook, William & Masiello, Robert	Stewart	Hernandez, Jr.	118
2	Forty Under	Uncle Mo	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Murrill	122
3	Santin	Distorted Humor	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	118
4	Major Fed	Ghostzapper	Lloyd Madison Farms, IV LLC	Foley	Geroux	118
5	Monarchs Glen (GB) 🌿	Frankel (GB)	Hui, Michael M. and WSS Racing, LLC	Maker	Alvarado	118
6	Adhamo (Ire)	Intello (Ger)	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables & Lazzinnaro, Louis	Brown	Ortiz	118
7	Halo Again 🌿	Speightstown	Winchell Thoroughbreds & Willis Horton Racing	Asmussen	Rosario	122
8	Captivating Moon	Malibu Moon	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Block	Loveberry	118
9	Point Me By 🌿	Point of Entry	Homewrecker Racing LLC	Kenneally	Beschizza	118
10	Largent 🌿	Into Mischief	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC	Pletcher	Saez	118
11	Two Emmys 🌿	English Channel	Wolfe Racing LLC and Robertson, Hugh H.	Robertson	Graham	118

Breeders: 1-Glencrest Farm LLC, 2-Cedar Hill LLC, 3-Godolphin, 4-Lloyd Madison IV, LLC, 5-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 6-Wertheimer et Frere, 7-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc., 8-Lothenbach Stables Inc, 9-Winchester Farm, 10-Lazy Lane Farms, LLC, 11-Tottenwood Thoroughbreds, Inc.



Saturday, Laurel #8, post time: 3:55 p.m. EST

BARBARA FRITCHIE S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fille d'Esprit	Great Notion	C J I Phoenix Group and No Guts No Glory Farm	Robb	Perez	122
2	Glass Ceiling 🌿	Constitution	Baker, Charlton and Foster, Michael S.	Baker	Davis	122
3	Kaylasaurus	Munnings	Bush Racing Stable, Liberty House Racing, Black Ridge Stables LLC and Saufley, George	Kreiser	Hernandez	122
4	Regal Retort 🌿	Jimmy Creed	Charlton, David, MarchFore Thoroughbreds and Bradley Thoroughbreds	Asmussen	Ruiz	122
5	Prodigy Doll 🌿	Shanghai Bobby	HnR Nothhaft Horse Racing, LLC	Schoenthal	Toledo	122
6	Bold Confection 🌿	Candy Ride (Arg)	Ben Rollins	Servis	Pennington	122
7	Jakarta	Bustin Stones	Three Diamonds Farm	Trombetta	Carrasco	122
8	Belle of the North	Street Boss	Stronach Stables	Corrales	Karamanos	122

Breeders: 1-Sweet Spirits Stables, LLC, 2-Twin Creeks Farm, 3-Arrowwood Farm, Inc, 4-Robert Landry & Glenna Laureano, 5-Tolo Thoroughbreds & Michael A. Spirito, 6-Twin Hopes Farm, LLC, 7-Arrowwood Farm, Inc, 8-Adena Springs

Saturday, Laurel #9, post time: 4:27 p.m. EST

GENERAL GEORGE S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	War Tocsin 🌿	Violence	Trin-Brook Stables, Inc.	St. Lewis	Haddock	122
2	Cordmaker	Curlin	Hillwood Stable LLC	Jenkins	Carrasco	122
3	Shackqueenking 🌿	Shackleford	Pocket 3's Racing LLC	Capuano	Rodriguez	122
4	Sir Alfred James 🌿	Munnings	Built Wright Stables, LLC.	Cash	-	122
5	Threes Over Deuces 🌿	Flat Out	Pocket 3's Racing LLC	Capuano	Perez	122
6	Timeless Bounty	Elusive Hour	Willow's Green Stables, LLC	Wilson, Jr	Franklin	124
7	Air Token	Golden Lad	Corrales Racing, LLC	Corrales	Acosta	122

Breeders: 1-Hare Forest Farm, Ltd., 2-Robert T. Manfuso & Katharine M. Voss, 3-Ledgelands LLC & Andrew C. Ritter, 4-Mt. Joy Stables, Pope McLean, Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr., 5-Machmer Hall & Montese LLC, 6-Elkhorn Oaks Inc., 7-Carol Ann Kaye



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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 15	1	4	1	3	--	--	43	5	339,045	717,693
				Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$100,000						Golden Sixty (AUS)	
2	Liam's Map (2011) by Unbridled's Song Crops: 4	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	2	531,000	588,006
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$40,000						Colonel Liam	
3	More Than Ready (1997) by Southern Halo Crops: 19	--	2	--	2	--	--	41	6	274,060	563,830
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$50,000						Stoltz (AUS)	
4	Kitten's Joy (2001) by El Prado (Ire) Crops: 14	2	2	1	1	--	--	45	9	123,800	423,862
				Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$50,000						Aligato	
5	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday Crops: 11	2	4	--	2	--	--	26	7	89,040	384,830
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$250,000						Barraza	
6	Quality Road (2006) by Elusive Quality Crops: 9	2	3	2	3	--	--	18	4	135,000	377,314
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000						Friar's Road	
7	Uncle Mo (2008) by Indian Charlie Crops: 8	1	2	--	--	--	--	31	7	65,400	366,602
				Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$160,000						Encroachment	
8	Temple City (2005) by Dynaformer Crops: 9	2	4	1	2	--	--	31	8	74,400	361,205
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$5,000						Another Mystery	
9	American Pharoah (2012) by Pioneerof the Nile Crops: 4	--	1	--	--	--	--	36	3	161,293	348,040
				Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$80,000						Reframe	
10	Speightstown (1998) by Gone West Crops: 15	1	4	1	2	--	--	17	3	105,635	310,128
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$90,000						Shirl's Speight	
11	Mizzen Mast (1998) by Cozzene Crops: 17	2	2	1	2	--	1	16	3	187,390	300,004
				Stands: Juddmonte Farms KY Fee: Pensioned						Lighthouse	
12	Constitution (2011) by Tapit Crops: 4	--	1	--	1	--	1	15	5	177,000	283,827
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$85,000						Never Surprised	
13	Candy Ride (Arg) (1999) by Ride the Rails Crops: 15	1	2	1	1	--	--	20	5	150,000	273,537
				Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$75,000						Chewing Gum	
14	Grazen (2006) by Benchmark Crops: 10	1	2	--	--	--	--	12	3	110,000	266,794
				Stands: Tommy Town T'breeds CA Fee: \$6,000						Rose Dawson	
15	English Channel (2002) by Smart Strike Crops: 12	--	2	--	1	--	--	35	6	59,253	261,426
				Stands: Calumet Farm USA (Dead/Retired)						My Indy	

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My Philly Twirl winning at Gulfstream Wednesday
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7th-Gulfstream, \$54,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 2-16, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.22, fm, 3/4 length.

MY PHILLY TWIRL (f, 3, **Hard Spun--My Philly Girl, by Empire Maker)** finished fifth over this course and trip Dec. 26 but bounced back to post a front-running score cutting back a sixteenth here Jan. 19. Sent off at 8-5 here, the chestnut raced up into a tracking second as Surreal Fantasy (**Outwork**), who took control early, drew the second choice several paths wide into the first turn while carving out a quarter in :24.58. In the two path through a :49.92 half, the homebred started to inch closer on the far turn, took over just past the quarter pole, but soon lost that advantage to 40-1 longshot Soul of an Angel (Atreides), who was coming up along the inside as Love Her Lots (**Cupid**) took aim on her outer flank. Having to dig in late, My Philly Twirl outgunned Love Her Lots late to triumph by 3/4 of a length. Favored On Alert (**Medaglia d'Oro**) closed to be a close-up third. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$64,730. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-John Gallegos (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh.

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5th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$27,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 2-16, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.00, fm, head.
SKIMS (GB) (f, 3, **Frankel {GB}--Royal Decree, by Street Cry {Ire})** ran fifth in her debut going six panels at Belmont in October before coming home a winner next time out while stretching to 8 1/2 furlongs at Aqueduct a month later. Installed the 3-5 choice while getting lasix or the first time here, the bay pulled her way into second as Mirth 'n Merriment (**Connect**) led through a :23.01 quarter. Still tugging on Pablo Morales while stalking the frontrunners outer hip through a :47.95 half, the Andrew Rosen homebred was given a little more rein leaving the far turn and responded by taking the lead in a matter of a few strides. Dispensing of the fading pacesetter through the lane, she had to withstand the oncoming Sweet Dutchess (**Will Take Charge**)), but managed to hold off the 9-5 second choice by a head at the wire. Royal Decree, dam of War Decree (**War Front**), GSW-Eng, GSW-Ire, \$312,212, is also responsible for a yearling filly by Lope de Vega (Ire). She is a daughter of the dual Grade I-winning turf mare Ticker Tape (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}). Sales history: \$235,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$63,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Andrew Rosen (GB); T-Claude R. McGaughey III.

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3rd-Delta Downs, \$38,000, (S), Msw, 2-16, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:23.31, ft, 1 length.

PLAY MO (g, 3, Mo Tom--My Queen Olivia {SW}, by Half Ours), sent off at 7-2 in this first go, settled in a stalking third through opening splits of :25.28 and :50.54. Making his move three wide turning for home, he opened up a solid cushion but was reigned in late by King of Contraband (Strong Mandate) en route to a length victory. Sales history: \$8,500 Ylg '20 OBSWIN; \$25,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Set-Hut LLC; B-Brandon Adcock (LA); T-Jeff Delhomme.



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, FEB. 17

2021 Stud Fees Listed

El Deal (Munnings), Red River Farms

51 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 5:05 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, Charco, 3-1
\$70,000 OBS WIN wnl

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

198 foals of racing age/29 winners/2 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 5:05 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, Bron and Brow, 8-5
\$35,000 ESL YRL yrl; \$200,000 OBS APR 2yo

Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), Three Chimneys Farm, \$125,000
245 foals of racing age/33 winners/9 black-type winners
7-Sam Houston Race, 7:52 p.m. EST, Aoc 1mT, Carioquina, 6-5
\$475,000 KEE NOV wnl

Hard Aces (Hard Spun), Averett Farm

37 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
3-Delta Downs, 3:21 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Corbin's Wild Aces, 5-1
3-Delta Downs, 3:21 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Friendly Aces, 6-1

Iron Fist (Tapit), Whispering Oaks Farm

36 foals of racing age/9 winners/2 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 5:05 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, Order Up, 8-1
\$2,000 ESL MIX wnl

Midnight Storm (Pioneerof the Nile), Taylor Made Farm, \$7,500

126 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Charles Town, 8:25 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Midnight Regret, 10-1
\$14,000 EAS OCT yrl

Mo Tom (Uncle Mo), Red River Farms, \$2,000

64 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Delta Downs, 3:21 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, She's Wayne's, 10-1

Noble Bird (Birdstone), Ocala Stud, \$4,000

72 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Charles Town, 8:25 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Mygidgetmarie, 9-2

Takeover Target (Harlan's Holiday), Red River Farms

51 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Delta Downs, 3:21 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Miss Target, 8-1
7-Fair Grounds, 5:05 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, My Heavy Son, 30-1

Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000

194 foals of racing age/21 winners/3 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, 5:36 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2fT, Marital Bliss, 7-2
\$70,000 FTK SEL yrl; \$130,000 EAS MAY 2yo

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-Parx Racing, \$60,020, 2-16, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.41, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

FORTHELUVOFBOURBON (g, 5, Bourbon Courage--Nosubstituteforluv, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: SW, 16-6-1-3, \$265,200. O-Smart Angle LLP; B-Hidden Acres 4-D Farm (PA); T-Michael V. Pino.

6th-Delta Downs, \$40,000, (S), 2-16, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 5f, 1:00.09, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

PUZZLING PRIORITY (f, 4, Apriority--Think Green, by Grindstone) Lifetime Record: 8-4-1-0, \$61,840. O-Elite Thoroughbred Racing LLC; B-Royal B. Kraft (LA); T-Lee Thomas.

6th-Penn National, \$29,736, 2-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.02, ft, neck.

PAPA TONY (g, 5, Papa Clem--Field of Interest, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 28-5-6-5, \$112,227. O-Harry E. Dimitriou; B-Liberty Road Stables (CA); T-Harry E. Dimitriou. *\$5,000 2yo '19 CTBAJA.

4th-Mahoning Valley, \$27,900, 2-16, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.68, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

JUMP INTO THE FIRE (f, 4, Runhappy--Katniss the Victor {MSP, \$113,700}, by Midnight Lute) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$32,322. O-Andrew N. Warren; B-Glendalough LLC (KY); T-Ben Colebrook. *\$120,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT.

LAMBHOLM SOUTH Training Graduate

5th-Mahoning Valley, \$27,900, 2-16, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.12, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

DEBDURITE (g, 7, Soldat--Oakwood Park, by Strong Hope) Lifetime Record: 55-8-9-5, \$113,204. O-Nestor R. Rivera; B-Steve A. Williams (FL); T-Nestor Rivera. \$7,500 Wlg '15 OBSOCT.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Venture On, g, 3, **Added Edge**--Em N Emmy, by **Sky Mesa**.

Mahoning Valley, 2-16, (S), 6f, 1:15.15. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-2, \$29,870. B-Raimonde Farms LTD (OH).

*1/2 to Emmy's Candy (Sidney's Candy), MSP, \$159,688.

Talented Man, g, 3, **Talent Search**--Musket Mary, by Musket

Man. Parx Racing, 2-16, (S), 6f, 1:12.06. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$20,650. B-Michael Moore (PA).

Another Travis Durr Graduate from Webb Carroll Training Center

Thinkin Out Loud, c, 3, **War Dancer**--Time Marches On, by

Leading the Parade. Penn National, 2-15, 6f, 1:12.25. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$22,891. B-Sugar Plum Farm LLC (NY).

*\$4,000 RNA Ylg '20 EASOCT.

Opha May, f, 4, **Mobil**--Military Lass, by Lost Soldier. Mahoning

Valley, 2-16, (S), 1m, 1:44.07. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-1, \$32,445. B-Smokin C LLC (OH). *\$2,100 Wlg '18 OHIOCT.

Closet Shopper, f, 4, **Tapit**--Duke's Dream, by Mr. Greeley. Parx

Racing, 2-16, 6f, 1:12.14. Lifetime Record: 15-1-1-2, \$75,889. B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY). *\$600,000 Ylg '19 KESEEP.

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Added Edge, Venture On, g, 3, o/o Em N Emmy, by **Sky Mesa**. MSW, 2-16, Mahoning Valley

Apriority, Puzzling Priority, f, 4, o/o Think Green, by Grindstone. ALW, 2-16, Delta Downs

Bourbon Courage, Fortheluvofbourbon, g, 5, o/o Nosubstituteforluv, by Not For Love. ALW, 2-16, Parx Racing

Frankel (GB), Skims (GB), f, 3, o/o Royal Decree, by Street Cry (Ire). AOC, 2-16, Tampa Bay

Hard Spun, My Philly Twirl, f, 3, o/o My Philly Girl, by Empire Maker. AOC, 2-16, Gulfstream

Mo Tom, Play Mo, g, 3, o/o My Queen Olivia, by Half Ours. MSW, 2-16, Delta Downs

Mobil, Opha May, f, 4, o/o Military Lass, by Lost Soldier. MSW, 2-16, Mahoning Valley

Papa Clem, Papa Tony, g, 5, o/o Field of Interest, by Unbridled's Song. ALW, 2-15, Penn National

Runhappy, Jump Into the Fire, f, 4, o/o Katniss the Victor, by **Midnight Lute**. ALW, 2-16, Mahoning Valley

Soldat, Debdurite, g, 7, o/o Oakwood Park, by Strong Hope. ALW, 2-16, Mahoning Valley

Talent Search, Talented Man, g, 3, o/o Musket Mary, by Musket Man. MSW, 2-16, Parx Racing

Tapit, Closet Shopper, f, 4, o/o Duke's Dream, by Mr. Greeley. MSW, 2-16, Parx Racing

War Dancer, Thinkin Out Loud, c, 3, o/o Time Marches On, by Leading the Parade. MSW, 2-15, Penn National

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ENCOURAGING START TO ARQANA'S SALES YEAR



Osaila brought €200,000 at Arqana | Zuzanna Lupa

Arqana has its first auction of the year in the book and the activity across the last two days at the mixed February Sale will likely have pleased Eric Hoyeau and his team after some solid trade, particularly for broodmares. That has been very much in accordance with similar sales which have already taken place in Britain and Ireland this year and, from a larger catalogue than last year's lockdown fare, the figures at Arqana have lifted slightly across the board.

Turnover was of course up, with 38 more horses sold this time around at the close of trade, bringing an aggregate of €4,154,00, representing an improvement of 37.7%. The median rose slightly to €6,000 from €5,500 and the average was up by 19.8% at €13,847. The clearance rate was unchanged at 80%.

It didn't take long for trade to click into top gear with the arrival in the ring, five lots from the start of the session, of **Osaila (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), the dual Group 3 winner in her days in training with Richard Hannon.

Arthur Hoyeau ended up in front as the bidding settled at €200,000 for the 10-year-old mare (lot 224), who is granddaughter of the great Detroit (Fr) (Riverman {Fr}), one of the rare broodmares to have won the Arc herself and to have produced an Arc winner, in this case Carnegie (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). [Cont. p2](#)

SIR MARK TODD TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED FROM TRAINING

The British Horseracing Authority (BHA) has placed an interim suspension on the licence of trainer Sir Mark Todd following the publication over the weekend of [a video showing him striking a horse with a branch](#) for refusing at a water obstacle.

Investigations are ongoing into the circumstances surrounding the events depicted in the video made two years ago during a cross-country clinic at which Todd was teaching. Until that process is complete Todd will be unable to enter horses to race in Britain.

A statement released by the BHA on Wednesday morning read, "The chair of British racing's Independent Judicial Panel has today approved an application from the BHA that an interim suspension should be placed on the training licence of Sir Mark Todd following the emergence over the weekend of a video showing him striking a horse with what appears to be a branch.

"This interim suspension means that while investigations continue into the circumstances of this incident, Sir Mark will be unable to race horses in Britain or internationally." [Cont. p4](#)



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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

MATING PLANS, PRESENTED BY SPENDTHRIFT: PETER BRANT

The TDN's Sue Finley speaks with owner/breeder Peter Brant regarding his 2022 mating plans for his broodmare band. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

Encouraging Start To Arqana's Sales Year cont. from p1

Osaila will head to Coolmore Stud in Ireland for a date with the European Horse of the Year for 2021.

"She is a very beautiful mare, with one of the best profiles in the sale," said Hoyeau. "She had a great racing career and her pedigree is exceptional. She is already the dam of a winner and will be covered by St Mark's Basilica (Fr) this season."

The further family of Osaila, who was not in foal after being covered by Toronado (Ire) last season, includes the G2 Ribblesdale S. victrix Banimpire (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**) and Melbourne Cup winner Twilight Payment (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}).

The in-foal crew was led by **lot 227**, the Dubawi (Ire) mare **Zomara (Fr)**, who is a winning half-sister to listed winner Merveillo (Fr) (Archipenko).

With a yearling colt by **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** already on the ground, she was sold by the Channel Consignment carrying to Haras d'Etreham's young sire Persian King (Ire), with Alain Decrion bidding on behalf of Yeomanstown Stud to €140,000. The mare's dam Merville (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) is a half-sister to the Group 1 winners and stallions **Ectot (Ire)** and **Most Improved (Ire)**.

The most sought-after mares of the day came through in quick succession, with **lot 231, Helcia (Fr)** (Olympic Glory {Ire}), who is in foal to Mehmas, selling to David Redvers, bidding on the phone via Freddy Powell, for €115,000. The 6-year-old mare is a daughter of the dual GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint winner Mizdirection (Mizzen Mast).



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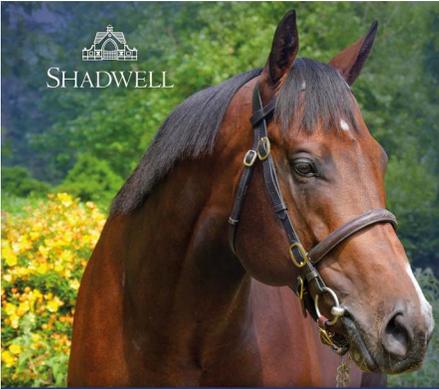
Among the smart Flat pedigrees were some decent mares with strong dual-purpose credentials, and none more so than **Crystal Reef (GB)** (King's Best), whose three group-winning half-brothers Martaline (GB), Reefscape (GB) and Coastal Path (GB) have all posted some notable results as National Hunt sires. Now 17, Crystal Reef has produced the G2 Prix Chaudenay winner Doha Dream (Ire) (Shamardal) and was offered as **lot 411** in foal to the most sought-after French jumps sire, Doctor Dino (Fr). Sebastien Desmontils of Chauvigny Global Equine was the successful bidder at €130,000.

Bidding via telephone, agent Paul Harley went to €120,000 for **lot 388**, the pretty grey Galileo (Ire) sister to stakes winners Pablo Escobarr (Ire) and Roberto Escobarr (Ire). The 8-year-old was offered in foal to **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** by Haras de Bouquetot, and she will now join Anna Sundstrom at Coulonces. Bouquetot ended the two days as the leading vendor, with 11 horses sold for €809,000.

Top marks in the yearling section went to Domaine de l'Etang's colt by **No Nay Never (lot 222)**. The son of the Galileo mare Meeting (Ire), from the family of Gregorian (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}), was pinhooked by Charles Briere of the Fairway Consignment at €80,000.

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SESSION TOPPERS

ARQANA FEBRUARY SALE

WEDNESDAY'S TOP LOTS

LOT	NAME	STATUS	PRICE (€)
224	Osaila (Ire)	not in foal	200,000
	<i>(m, 10, Danehill Dancer {Ire}–Mennetou {Ire}, by Entrepreneur {GB}) (220,000gns yrl '13 TAOOCT) Breeder: Mennetou Syndicate Consignor: Haras de Bouquetot Purchaser: Arthur Hoyeau, Agent</i>		
227	Zomara (Fr)	i/f Persian King (GB)	140,000
	<i>(m, 7, Dubawi {Ire}–Merville {Fr}, by Montjeu {Ire}) (€62,000 HRA '18 ARQDEC) Breeder: Wertheimer & Frere Consignor: The Channel Consignment Purchaser: Alain Decrion</i>		
411	Crystal Reef (GB)	i/f Doctor Dino (Fr)	130,000
	<i>(m, 17, King's Best–Coraline {GB}, by Sadler's Wells) (160,000gns HRA '08 TATDEC; 200,000gns HRA '12 TADDEC) Breeder: Juddmonte Farms Consignor: Haras de Bouquetot Purchaser: Chauvigny Global Equine</i>		
388	Mahabba (Ire)	i/f Starspangledbanner (Aus)	120,000
	<i>(m, 8, Galileo {Ire}–Bewitched {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}) Breeder: R Scarborough & Carradale Consignor: Haras de Bouquetot Purchaser: Paul Harley Bloodstock Ltd</i>		
231	Helcia (Ire)	i/f Mehmas (Ire)	115,000
	<i>(m, 6, Olympic Glory {Ire}–Mizdirection, by Mizzen Mast) Breeder: Al Shaqab Racing Consignor: Haras de Bouquetot Purchaser: David Redvers</i>		
324	Swiss Affair (GB)	not in foal	85,000
	<i>(m, 10, Pivotal {GB}–Swiss Lake, by Indian Ridge {GB}) Breeder: Lordship Stud Consignor: Arcadia Elevage Purchaser: Newsells Park Stud/A'Ali</i>		

IN TDN AUS/NZ TODAY

PROBABEEL RETIRED

Four-time Group 1 winner **Probabeel (NZ)** (Savabeel {Aus}) has been retired after sustaining a suspensory injury. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)

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• Catalogued	233	190
• Number Offered	180	156
• Number Sold	141	120
• Not Sold	39	36
• Clearance Rate	78.3%	76.9%
• High Price	€200,000	€110,000
• Gross	€1,772,000	€1,643,000
• Average (% change)	€12,567 (-8.2%)	€13,692
• Median (% change)	€6,000 (-4%)	€6,250
CUMULATIVE	2022	2021
• Catalogued	451	379
• Number Offered	374	323
• Number Sold	300	261
• Not Sold	50	62
• Clearance Rate	80.2%	80.8%
• High Price	€200,000	€250,000
• Gross	€4,154,000	€3,016,500
• Average (% change)	€13,847 (+19.8%)	€11,557
• Median (% change)	€6,000 (+9%)	€5,500

EUROPEAN NEWS

Sir Mark Todd Temporarily Suspended From Training
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It continued, "The trainer has admitted the individual involved in the video was him, has apologised for his actions and agreed to the imposition of an interim suspension.

"The BHA will provide further updates as necessary in due course, though will not be able to comment on the detail of the investigation itself until it is concluded. The interim suspension has been approved on the basis that it can be reviewed at a later date if necessary, on application by either party."

The double Olympic gold medal-winning eventer was initially granted his training licence by the BHA in 2020. He had previously trained successfully in his native New Zealand, where his notable victories included the 2003 G1 New Zealand Oaks with Bramble Rose (NZ) and the G1 Wellington Cup in 2007 with Willy Smith (NZ). Todd has enjoyed a distinguished career in the saddle, winning Badminton Horse Trials four times and Burghley on five occasions. **Cont. p5**



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He was knighted in the 2013 New Year's Honours for services to equestrian sport.

Todd apologised for his behaviour in a statement released over the weekend. He said, "I wholeheartedly apologise to the horse and all involved for my actions in this video clip. One of the main things I preach is about establishing a mutual respect between horse and rider, and that patience and kindness is the best way to get results.

"I believe this is one of the main attributes, along with a great empathy with animals, that has enabled me to have a long and successful career in eventing. I am very disappointed in myself that I did not adhere to that in this case."

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OISIN MURPHY HEARING SET FOR TUESDAY

Oisin Murphy, the three-time champion jockey in Britain, will face the independent disciplinary panel of the British Horseracing Authority (BHA) on Tuesday, Feb. 22 for five alleged rule breaches.

Members of the panel will consider whether Murphy misled the BHA regarding his travel destination in order to circumvent Covid rules and failed to comply with those restrictions. Further charges relate to two separate incidents, on May 5, 2021 and Oct. 8, 2021, when the jockey failed breath tests for alcohol at Chester and Newmarket racecourses, respectively. The hearing will also determine whether Murphy has brought racing into disrepute by breaching the rule pertaining to "acting in a manner which is prejudicial to the proper integrity, conduct and good reputation of the sport."

Murphy was crowned champion for the third time in October following a closely-fought battle with William Buick which was only decided on the final day of the jockeys' championship on QIPCO British Champions Day. He has not been seen in action this year having voluntarily relinquished his licence in December 2021. At that time the BHA took the unusual step of releasing a statement on the jockey's behalf within its own press release announcing the charges levelled against him.

Murphy stated on Dec. 16 last year, "On returning from abroad last September in 2020 I failed to follow the Covid protocol set out by the BHA. In breaking these rules, and attempting to mislead the BHA, I've let my governing body down, along with trainers, owners, staff, sponsors and family for which I wish to apologise.

"In addition to this there have been two racecourse incidents linked to alcohol during 2021. It became obvious to me and to everyone else that I needed to seek serious help. In recognition of this I have relinquished my licence and will now focus on my

rehabilitation. I am grateful to the BHA for agreeing to postpone the disciplinary hearing until I have been able to take these steps.

"Whether I deserve it or not, many kind people have stood by me and I really appreciate their support. I'm deeply embarrassed and regret my actions."

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BRITAIN

Wednesday's Results:

1st-Kempton, £7,000, Mdn, 2-16, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:28.92, st/sl.

CLASE AZUL ULTRA (IRE) (c, 3, Mehmas {Ire}--Ashtown Girl {Ire}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), seventh on debut over a mile here Jan. 29, broke smartly to gain the early lead. Kicking in midstraight, the 7-2 second favourite was driven out to record a length success from Lord Vader (GB) (Ulysses {Ire}). The winner is a half-brother to Ziarah (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), MSP-US, \$205,866. The dam, a half to the G2 Temple S.-winning sire Hot Streak (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) from the Shadwell family of Nashwan et al, has a yearling colt by Ribchester (Ire). Sales history: 320,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,119.

O-Amo Racing Limited; B-Barry Noonan (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Pepper Streak (Ire), f, 3, Hot Streak (Ire)--Rohesia (GB), by High Chaparral (Ire). Newcastle, 2-15, 5f 1y (AWT), 1:00.24. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$12,798. B-Mr Patrick Cosgrove (IRE).

*€21,000 RNA 2yo '21 GOFAUT.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Elzaam Blue (Ire), g, 4, **Elzaam (Aus)**--Ghostflower (Ire), by Dansili (GB). Dundalk, 2-16, 8f (AWT), 1:42.01. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,496. B-Mogeely Stud Ltd (IRE). *8,000gns Ylg '19 TAOCT; £840 2yo '20 TATABR.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULT:

1st-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €19,000, 2-16, 4yo/up, 7 1/2ft, 1:37.50, hy.

MORSAN (IRE) (g, 6, **Rajsaman {Fr}**--**Racemate {GB}** {SW-Fr, \$130,103}, by **Hurricane Run {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 25-6-1-1, €86,111. O-Ecuries Serge Stempniak & Cedric Boutin; B-Franklin Finance S.A. (IRE); T-Cedric Boutin. *€13,000 HRA '20 ARQAUT.



IN AUSTRALIA:

Rapid Achiever (Fr), f, 4, **Wootton Bassett (GB)**--Diavola (GB), by Duke of Marmalade (Ire). Sandown (Hillside), 2-16, Hcp., 1300mT, 1:17.20. B-Haras Bonne Chance. *€130,000 Ylg '19 ARQOCT.



IN AUSTRALIA:

Conqueror (Aus), c, 2, **Churchill (Ire)**--Dixie Chick (Aus), by Star Witness (Aus). Kensington, 2-16, Maiden, 1100mT. B-H & J Blight (NSW). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **A\$180,000 Ylg '21 INGFEb.

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Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 7:45 p.m.

BLUE POINT SPRINT PRESENTED BY JEBEL ALI PORT-G2, \$180,000, NH/SH 3yo/up, 1000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Acklam Express (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Scott	Tinkler	125
2	7	Dahawi (GB)	Heeraat (Ire)	Fresu	Al Mheiri	125
3	5	He's A Balter (Aus)	Spirit Of Boom (Aus)	Jones	Clarken	125
4	1	Khaadem (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Dettori	Hills	125
5	9	Lazuli (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Buick	Appleby	125
6	8	Live In The Moment (Ire)	Zebedee (GB)	O'Shea	West	125
7	2	Parsifal (NZ)	Darci Brahma (NZ)	Spencer	Clarken	125
8	4	Waady (Ire)	Approve (Ire)	O'Neill	Watson	125
9	6	Wild Majesty (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Atzeni	Watson	125

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 8:20 p.m.

NAD AL SHEBA TROPHY PRESENTED BY DP WORLD UAE-G3, \$200,000, NH 4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 2810mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	12	Dubai Horizon (Ire)	Poet's Voice (GB)	Cosgrave	bin Suoor	125
2	3	East Asia (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Mullen	Williams	125
3	2	Enemy (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Atzeni	Williams	125
4	4	Global Heat (Ire)	Toronado (Ire)	Dettori	bin Suoor	125
5	1	Island Brave (Ire)	Zebedee (GB)	Dobbs	Main	125
6	5	Majestic Mambo (SAf)	Mambo in Seattle	Woodworth	de Kock	125
7	11	Mekong (GB)	Frankel (GB)	O'Neill	Osborne	125
8	6	Mind Mapping 	Medaglia d'Oro	Ben Djekidel	Al Hamida	125
9	9	New Trails	Medaglia d'Oro	Dawson	bin Harmash	125
10	7	Pablo Escobarr (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	O'Shea	Seemar	125
11	8	Rodrigo Diaz (GB)	Golden Horn (GB)	Spencer	Simcock	125
12	15	Taqareer (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	de Vries	Saeed	125
13	13	Dancing King (Ire)	Free Eagle (Ire)	Barzalona	bin Ghadayer	121
14	14	Dubious Affair (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Fresu	Fellowes	121
15	10	Manobo (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Buick	Appleby	121

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 7:10 p.m.

UAE OAKS PRESENTED BY JAFZA-G3, \$150,000, NH/SH 3yo, f, 1900m

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	2	Arabian Gazelles 	Mastery	Dettori	Seemar	125
2	7	Hot Pink (Ire)	Bungle Inthejungle (GB)	Dawson	bin Harmash	125
3	4	Minwah 	Cupid	Dobbs	Watson	125
4	1	Remas 	Blame	Barzalona	bin Ghadayer	125
5	3	Shadzadi (Ire)	El Kabeir	O'Shea	Seemar	125
6	5	Shahama	Munnings	de Vries	Nass	125
7	6	Uchchaihshravas (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Holmquist	De Burca	125

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PROBABEL RETIRED AFTER SUSPENSORY SETBACK



Probabeel won four Group 1s | Bronwen Healy

by Bren O'Brien

Four-time Group 1 winner and reigning New Zealand Horse of the Year **Probabeel (NZ)** (Savabeel) has suffered a suspensory injury and will be retired from the racetrack.

Cambridge Stud's Brendan and Jo Lindsay, the Champion 5-year-old mare's owners, confirmed the news on Wednesday just days after her winning return to the track in the G3 Geoffrey Bellmaine S. at Caulfield.

The Jamie Richards-trained mare was discovered to have a suspensory ligament injury to her off foreleg. The injury is not causing her any discomfort but is sufficient for her to be retired with immediate effect.

Probabeel was set to take her place in the upcoming The All-Star Mile but will instead return to New Zealand when she is fit to travel and prepare for a career as a broodmare at Cambridge Stud. A mating decision for her will be determined in the coming months.

"While we are both saddened at the news, we are eternally grateful for the unique role that Probabeel has played for Cambridge Stud and our family for the past four years," the Lindsays said in a statement.

"She came on the scene at the beginning of our time at Cambridge and has been a constant flag bearer for everyone. We are sad that it has come to an end but look forward to getting her home and to racing her progeny over the next 10 years."

In a brilliant career, Probabeel won 13 times in 29 starts, winning the G1 Epsom H., the G1 Surround S., the G1 Caulfield S. and the G1 Futurity S. She was recognised as New Zealand's Champion Sprinter/Miler last season as well as Horse of the Year.

She was also placed on four further occasions in Group 1 company, while she amassed a further six stakes successes, including the both the R. Listed Karaka Million 2YO and the R. Listed Karaka Million 3YO Classic, the only horse to complete the feature Ellerslie double.

Over her career, she amassed prizemoney of over \$4.3 million, the second most of any of the progeny of Champion Waikato Stud sire Savabeel.

Born for Stardom

Bred by Waikato Stud, Probabeel is out of Group 3-placed Pins mare Far Fetched (NZ) from an extended family that includes Group 1 winners Savvy Coup (NZ) (Savabeel) and Never Been Kissed (NZ) (Tivaci).

She was offered through the Waikato Stud draft at the 2018 New Zealand Bloodstock National Yearling Sale at Karaka where she was purchased by Te Akau's David Ellis for NZ\$380,000.

Ellis struck a deal with underbidders, the Lindsays, and she was offered to run in the Cambridge Stud colours, in which she has competed with distinction.

Her career for Richards began with a narrow defeat at Te Rapa in November 2018, but she quickly made amends winning a trio of races at Ellerslie, the last of which was in the Karaka Million 2YO where she overcame a wide barrier and swamped past her rivals.

She headed to Australia to contest black type 2-year-old races off the back of that hat-trick and while she wasn't able to add further juvenile success, she did run a close fifth behind Microphone in the G1 Inglis Sires'.

Her spring 3-year-old campaign was also without a win, but she ran second in the G1 Flight S. before heading back home for the summer, again storming home to claim the Karaka Million 3YO Classic in what was an historic double.

But the best was to come for the filly, who was able to turn the tables on Funstar (Adelaide {Ire}), who had beaten her in the Flight S., in the G1 Surround S. for her first Australian victory.

Later that year, Probabeel was a dominant winner of one of Australia's great handicaps, the G1 Epsom H., that success coming off her win in the G3 Bill Ritchie H.



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Bronwen Healy

Then, in the autumn of her 4-year-old season, she won the G3 Geoffrey Bellmaine S. and followed that up by upsetting another Champion mare, Arcadia Queen (Pierro), in the G1 Futurity S.

Arguably her greatest racetrack success was when she took on red-hot favourite Zaaki (GB) (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) in the G1 Might And Power S. at Caulfield in the spring of 2021.

She edged through along the inside to defeat Nonconformist (Rebel Raider) and Zaaki to claim her fourth Group 1 victory. That looked a total she was destined to add to this autumn before her injury setback.

Her first suitor at stud will be a much-discussed topic over the coming months, with the Lindsays seemingly having a wealth of options for a champion mare who is an outcross to most of the dominant sirelines in Australasia.

A Success Owed to Many Hands

Cambridge Stud took the opportunity to express gratitude to all of those who have contributed to Probabeel's success on the racetrack.

"Cambridge Stud would like to thank the amazing team that has enabled Probabeel to perform at an elite level for four years, led by Te Akau trainer Jamie Richards throughout that time. He managed to train and minutely plan her path each preparation which, with the difficulties posed by COVID-19, was

an incredible feat," the statement said.

"His attention to detail and communication was outstanding throughout and we wish Jamie well with his future training career in Hong Kong.

"Our thanks go to Te Akau's David Ellis CNZM and Karyn Fenton-Ellis MNZM for being with us on the journey and for offering her to us in the first place; special thanks go to the Te Akau Racing team at Matamata, particularly Nicole Shailer and her team in the fillies' barn; to Cambridge Stud's Karaka team who looked after her for each spell; in Australia, John Thompson and Anthony Freedman who stabled her for each preparation.

"We are particularly grateful to the team of jockeys who partnered her throughout her career--Opie Bosson, Kerrin McEvoy, Damian Lane and Brett Prebble. She was incredibly lucky to have a wonderful travelling companion in Ashleigh Handley for most of her career and was looked after more recently by Hunter Durrant while in Melbourne."

Te Akau also issued a statement upon the retirement of Probabeel, who was known in the stables simply as 'Jo'.

"The lover of a good track, Jo will remain for now in Melbourne as she is the inseparable friend of her stablemate Kahma Lass--we cannot wait to see her future foals!" Te Akau said. "Thank you Probabeel for a wonderful career, highlighted by your heart and of course, grit and determination! We will always remember you with pride."

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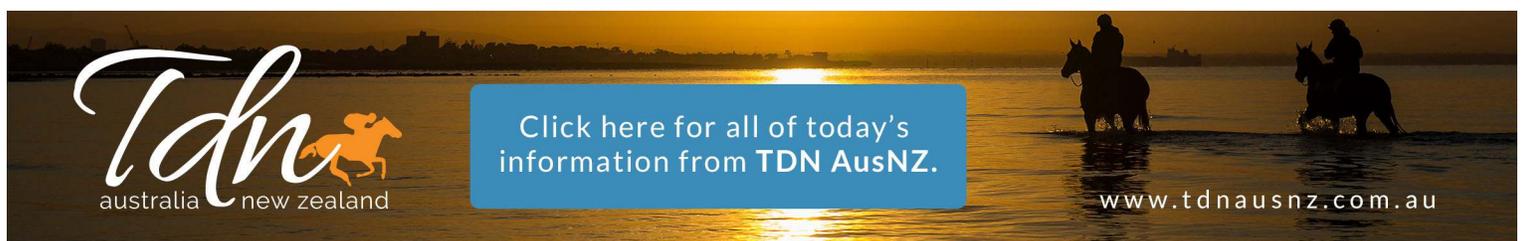
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