

BUYERS 'MORE THAN READY' AT OBS MARCH



Sales-topping hip 318 | Judit Seipert

By Christie DeBernardis & Christina Bossinakis

OCALA, FL--The Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's grounds continued to buzz with activity during a second straight day of very strong trade as the March 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale concluded Wednesday. Bidding was fast and furious right from the start with the top horse of the day--and the sale as a whole--coming in the second juvenile through the ring, **Hip 318**, a colt by **More Than Ready**, who summoned \$1.2 million from Kaleem Shah.

A daughter of **American Pharoah** (**Hip 532**) also achieved seven figures Wednesday, bringing \$1 million from Donato Lanni, who was acting on behalf of Susan and Charlie Chu. That filly made a total of four seven-figure sellers, following a pair of **Into Mischief** colts during Tuesday's session (**Hips 257** and **277**). No juveniles hit the million-dollar mark during the 2021 or 2020 March sales. There were two to reach that bar in 2019, led by \$2-million **Chestertown** (**Tapit**), who is a half-brother to Tuesday's \$1-million **Into Mischief** (**Hip 277**).

"The first day was great and we followed up with another great day," said OBS Director of Sales Tod Wojciechowski. "The gross was up for both days. As far as the total gross, we were a nine-iron from a record [gross for the sale]. We had four \$1-million horses, two each day. It was a lot of fun."

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PARI-MUTUEL BILL APPROVED BY KENTUCKY HOUSE COMMITTEE

Kentucky House Bill 607, which contains a provision to greatly benefit horseplayers by effectively eliminating breakage, was overwhelmingly approved Wednesday morning by a Kentucky House of Representatives committee. HB 607 also standardizes the tax rate on all pari-mutuel wagers placed in Kentucky and also makes claiming races eligible for Kentucky-bred purse subsidies. The bill must still be approved by the full House before being sent to the Senate.

Representative Adam Koenig, whose district in Northern Kentucky is near Turfway Park, is a primary sponsor of the bill, which also has the capacity to significantly increase revenue to the state General Fund while allowing horse racing to thrive.

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He continued, "The market is pretty hot right now. The momentum that we saw at the yearling sales last year has seemed to have carried over to this sale and, hopefully, can continue on through the spring."

Freshman stallions continued to make their presence felt during Wednesday's session with Bolt d'Oro once again leading the pack thanks to a \$900,000 colt ([Hip 438](#)) purchased by Japan's Hideyuki Mori. His Spendthrift barnmate Mor Spirit was not far behind with a \$700,000 colt selling to Mori just one hip earlier ([Hip 437](#)).

Bolt d'Oro had a total of four juveniles bring over \$400,000 through two days of selling. Other members of the freshman class to eclipse that mark, aside from Mor Spirit, were [West Coast](#), [Mendelssohn](#), [Justify](#), Cloud Computing, [Good Magic](#) and Awesome Slew. The first three of those stallions each had two meet that bar and the latter three had one apiece.



Ciaran Dunne | Photos by Z

"[Demand for young sires] is kind of standard at this sale," said Ciaran Dunne of Wavertree Stables, which sold the topper and was second-leading seller overall. "It's hard for pinhookers to buy yearlings by proven stallions. They tend to go to the end-user racing people, so we've always just gravitated to the first-season sires. As the way breeding has gone, there are so many first-crop and the second- and third-crop stallions aren't as well represented at the sales, so you end up with a lot of first-crop stallions whether you like it or not."

Mori was the leading buyer for both sessions and the sale overall, taking home seven juveniles for \$8.55 million. Eddie Woods led all sellers with 15 horses summing up \$3.351 million.

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Through two days of selling, 371 horses changed hands for \$49,498,000 with an average of \$133,418 and median of \$116,831. With 59 horses failing to sell, the RNA rate was 13.7%.

During last year's OBS March Sale, 326 juveniles had grossed \$38,265,000 with an average of \$117,377 and a median of \$62,500. Seventy-one horses left the ring unsold for an RNA rate of 17.9%.

"The market is outstanding," said Ocala Stud's David O'Farrell. "The trade is extremely competitive. I feel like there are a lot of good horses on the grounds and buying activity has been incredible. It is a very healthy, strong market right now."

A total of 165 juveniles sold Wednesday for a gross of \$22,111,000. The average was \$130,834 and the median was \$70,000. The RNA rate was 19.1%.

At the close of business last year, 145 horses had brought \$18,437,000 with an average of \$127,152 and median of \$70,000. The buy-back rate was 21.6%. After post-sales were added, those numbers changed to 150 sold for \$18,844,500 with an average of \$125,630 and median of \$68,500. This lowered the buy-back rate to 18.9%.

"The market is strong," said trainer Larry Rivelli, who advised longtime client Carolyn Wilson on her purchase of a \$570,000 colt from the first crop of **West Coast**. "You'd never know what was going on in the world if you come here. I've been doing it 20 years and you'd think by now I'd know better, but I was still surprised by today's results."



Dunne with trainer Larry Rivelli and his client Carolyn Wilson at last year's March sale | Photos by Z

Heavy rains and an unexpected tornado in the Ocala area forced some rescheduling of the breeze show and a delayed start to the opening session, but it did not dampen the enthusiasm of buyers.

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"The weather threw us some curve balls," Wojciechowski said. "But fortunately, we were able to catch those curves. We were able to make up the difference pretty well and our rescheduling worked out pretty well. We gave the buyers extra time yesterday and they appreciated that. The weather cooperated with us, when we had to move where we moved to. For having to do it on the fly, it worked out pretty darn well."

Sales action returns to the OBS ring Apr. 19 for their four-day OBS April 2-Year-Olds-in-Training Sale.

More Than Ready Colt Sparks Early**Fireworks**

It didn't take long at all for things to get fast and furious at OBS Wednesday with just the second horse through the ring, a colt by **More Than Ready** (Hip 318), summoning \$1.2 million from Kaleem Shah.

"Ask me in a year from now if I made the right choice," Shah said. "Simon [Callaghan] and Ben [McElroy] picked out this horse. It is easy to bid and write out the check in two minutes, but it takes a lifetime to get the money back. I hope we've got a good one, but we will see next year at this time."



Hip 318 | Judit Seipert

Bred by WinStar Farm, the bay colt is out of the unraced Indian Charlie mare Broad Spectrum, who is also the dam of MSP Broad Approval (Carpe Diem). Ciaran Dunne of Wavertree Stables picked up the colt for \$120,000 at Keeneland September for one of his pinhooking partnerships. The bay breezed in a snappy :9 4/5 during the under-tack show.

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As for the price, the Irishman said, "That's a lot of money, but he was a lot of horse. I'm obviously biased, but I thought he was the best horse in here and he sold like it."

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Mori Back for 'Mor' Day 2 at OBSMAR



Hideyuki Mori goes back-to-back at OBS | Christina Bossinakis

Hideyuki Mori, who punctuated Day 1 of the OBS March sale with the session's \$1.1-million toppler by Into Mischief, returned Wednesday with plenty left in his arsenal, landing consecutive pricey juveniles by freshman sires.

Kicking off Mori's Wednesday buying spree, **Hip 437** realized a \$700,000 final bid from the trainer, who did his bidding on the Mor Spirit colt from the back ring. With the OBS ticket runners patiently waiting for a signature on the Wavertree Stables offering, Mori came right back to secure Bolt d'Oro colt **Hip 438** for \$900,000. The latter was consigned by Top Line Sales LLC, who also sold a colt by the son of **Medaglia d'Oro** (Hip 291) for \$600,000 on the first day of the sale. Both colts breezed an eighth of a mile in :9 4/5 during last week.

"I was very impressed by both of them physically," said Mori, speaking through a translator. "They were both very nice movers and performed very well during their morning workouts."

Asked about the pedigrees of his purchases, Mori added, "This sale [features] very fast horses, so I am not very concerned with the pedigrees."

Mor Spirit's sire Eskenderya was sold to Japan for the 2018 breeding season. He has accounted for 79 individual winners to date.

Mori also signed for **Hip 544**, a filly by Shackleford, during Wednesday's session.

Of the Mor Spirit colt, Wavertree's Ciaran Dunne added, "It was a great result. It was a bit over what we expected, but it wasn't a surprise because he was very popular."

Hip 437, purchased for \$160,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale, represented a full-circle moment of sorts for Dunne, who also pinhooked the Texas-bred's sire. Himself an \$85,000 FTKOCT purchase in 2014, Mor Spirit resold as a juvenile for \$650,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Florida sale.

"We [sold] Mor Spirit so it was bit like shooting fish in a barrel," said Dunne. "[Hip 437] was the best Mor Spirit that we thought we had seen up until that point."

Out of Follow My Tail (Indian Charlie), the striking chestnut is a half to stakes winner Proofsinthepuddin (Marking) and stakes placed Red Raider (Roll Hennessy Roll). The 12-year-old dam is out of Group 3 scorer Freefourracing (French Deputy), the dam of stakes winners Speedway (Forest Wildcat).

"He's just beautiful," said Dunne. "He's well framed and he showed himself very well here."

Comparing both father and son, Dunne said, "They have the same body style. Both of them are kind of light and lean horses with a great hip and walk. Both have an easy, relaxed demeanor and loved to train. Mor Spirit was just so athletic and this colt is a lot the same way."--Christina Bossinakis

Cool Million for American Pharaoh Filly

A filly by **American Pharaoh** made a splash when realizing a \$1-million final bid from agent Donato Lanni at Wednesday's second session of the OBS March sale. Lani signed for the filly on behalf of Susan Chu, accompanied by Charlie and son Jerry, who did their bidding from the OBS press box. Offered as **Hip 532**, the filly was consigned by Jimbo & Torie Gladwell's Top Line Sales. The :10 flat breezer was bred by the Gladwells and E.V.S. Corp. The Apr. 30 foal will be sent to her sire's Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert. **Cont. p7**

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"I had a feeling she was going to bring a lot. She had everything," extolled Lanni. "She is just a queen. I am very happy that we got her because that's the one I wanted the most. And she's such a sweet filly. I'm really pumped."

"They've been lucky at the sale," said Lani of the Chu family, who also plucked Eda ([Munnings](#)) for \$550,000 out of this venue last year. Winner of her last four starts, all at the stakes level, Eda won the GI Starlet S. in December before returning to take the GIII Santa Ysabel S. earlier this month.

"They are really amazing people," continued Lanni. "They do so much for horse racing that people are not aware of. They're so good for the industry. And they have been so lucky with fillies. These are really good people, and good things happen to good people."



Donato Lanni | Photos by Z

The filly is out of Just Parker (Forest Camp), a half-sister to SW and GSP Qahira ([Cairo Prince](#)) in addition to SWs Stormin' Lyon (Storm Boot) and Quick Flip ([Speightstown](#)), herself the dam of GSW and MGISP Following Sea ([Runhappy](#)).

Well received at stud from the onset, [American Pharaoh](#) produced top quality turf horses earlier in his career, however, has provided another dimension to his sire profile this season with likes of recent top-level dirt winners GI Beholder Mile S. winner As Time Goes By and Triple Crown hopeful Forbidden Kingdom, victorious in Santa Anita's GII San Vicente S. and GII San Felipe S. in his two latest starts.

"Bob really liked her a lot," said Lanni. "And if anybody knows what a good [American Pharaoh](#) looks like, it would be him."--
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Top Line Sales Lives Up to Its Name at OBS

Jimbo and Torie Gladwell's Top Line Sales had a banner sale at OBS March, topped by a \$1-million daughter of [American Pharaoh](#) ([Hip 532](#)), who they bred in partnership with E.V.S. Corp.

"This is the most we ever sold a homebred for and the second horse we ever sold for \$1 million," Torie Gladwell said after congratulating buyer Donato Lanni, who was acting on behalf of Susan Chu. "We hope she is as good as the first, [GISW] '[TDN Rising Star](#)' Princess Noor ([Not This Time](#)) [\$1.35m OBSAPR]."

The :10 flat breezer is out of a half-sister to Baoma Corp.'s SW & MGSP '[TDN Rising Star](#)' Qahira ([Cairo Prince](#)) and stakes winners Stormin' Lyon (Storm Boot) and Quick Flip ([Speightstown](#)). The latter is the dam of GSW & MGISP '[TDN Rising Star](#)' Following Sea ([Runhappy](#)).

"We definitely did not expect that at all," Torie Gladwell said. "We had a lot of people on her, but the pedigree was a bit lighter, so we weren't sure what she would bring. She was a picture to look at, a stunning filly. She was big and strong with lots of scope. [American Pharaoh](#) is heating up right now [with new Grade I winner As Time Goes By and GI Kentucky Derby prospect Forbidden Kingdom]."



Hip 532 | Judit Seipert

Earlier in the session, the Gladwells sold a colt from the first crop of MGISW Bolt d'Oro ([Hip 438](#)) for \$900,000 to Hideyuki Mori. Spendthrift Farm, which stands that stallion, was the underbidder. The conditioner purchased last year's March topper Clos de Mesnil ([Practical Joke](#)) from the Gladwells.

"We are just very excited for Mr. Mori to be able to buy a colt like that from us," Jimbo Gladwell said. "He has the world in front of him. He is a just really, really top colt."

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Bred by Gabriel Duignan's Springhouse Farm, Hip 438 is a half-sibling to SW Foolish Humor (Distorted Humor). His dam Foolish Cause (Giant's Causeway) is a half to the late MGISW and sire Get Stormy (Stormy Atlantic). The :9 4/5 breezer was purchased by the Gladwells for \$200,000 under the name Exclusive Equine Investments.

"We got him for a partnership out of September," Jimbo Gladwell said. "The colt has been 100% straight forward all year. We couldn't be happier."

The Gladwells sold another expensive son of Bolt d'Oro during Tuesday's session in [Hip 291](#), who went to Kaleem Shah for \$600,000. He also breezed in :9 4/5.

"That Bolt was a homebred for Mr. Loren Nichols," Jimbo Gladwell said. "He let us train and sell the colt for him. It is good to have someone who breeds horses like that one."

When asked for his thoughts on the initial crop of Spendthrift's Bolt d'Oro, Jimbo Gladwell said, "We are really excited about the Bolt d'Ors. He is one of my favorite freshman stallions right now. The one I sold [Tuesday] reminded me more of an Uncle Mo. I think that came from his momma [Beautissimo (Uncle Mo)]. But, the one [Wednesday] had a lot of Medaglia d'Oro in him. I think he is going to get a route of ground and he has plenty of speed. We are just thrilled to have one of that quality."

--@CDeBernardisTDN

West Coast Proves Popular in Ocala

GI Travers S. hero West Coast (Flatter) was another freshman stallion who proved quite popular at OBS March with a pair of juveniles eclipsing the \$500,000 mark. The most expensive of the two was a \$570,000 colt ([Hip 548](#)) from the Eddie Woods consignment that went to Carolyn Wilson, who did her bidding alongside trainer Larry Rivelli.

"We bid on a couple of horses earlier. He was on our top five, but it is hard to wait around and see if you get one or you don't," Rivelli said. "We were fortunate enough to be in the running. We are happy to get him. He is a nice colt."

When asked his impressions of West Coast's first crop, Rivelli said, "They look like they will run a route of ground, which is good. They are light on their feet and have athletic builds. They are nicely put together and have been well received."

Bred by Woodford Thoroughbreds, the bay is out of SP Kimono (Bernardini) and is a half to SW Keke Kimono (Laoban). Picked up Woods's Quarter Pole Enterprises for \$155,000 at FTKJUL, he breezed in :21 flat.

"West Coast is getting a really nice horse," Woods said. "They have great shape to them; they are quick; and they are good, forceful horses. They train pretty aggressively and they appear to be really sound."



Hip 548 | Judit Seipert

A bit earlier in the day a filly by the Lane's End stallion ([Hip 529](#)) brought \$525,000 from the partnership of WinStar's Maverick Racing and Siena Farm.

"They look like they have been very well received," said Tristan de Meric of de Meric Sales, which consigned the :10 flat breezer. "We have seven of them on the farm and they are all training really well. I think the sires is going to be a good one."
--@CDeBernardisTDN

West Coast Filly Tops de Meric Draft at \$525K

A filly by freshman sire West Coast headed the de Meric Sales draft during Wednesday's final session of the OBS March sale. Maverick Racing and Siena Farms LLC purchased the Florida-bred, offered as [Hip 529](#). A \$135,000 purchase out of the FTK July sale, the dark bay registered a :10 flat work during last Sunday's breeze show.

"[The price] exceeded our expectations, but we always loved this filly," admitted Tristan de Meric. "The way she looked going over and the way the market was playing, it ended up making sense what she brought."

He continued, "[WinStar Farm's] David Hanley had come to the farm and saw her training a couple of days over the winter. She is a filly that catches the eye. She looked good at the farm, on the track and really showed up here. She's a beautiful filly and we think the world of her. We are very happy she is going where she is."

The filly is out of unplaced Julianamarie (Mizzen Mast), a daughter of MGSP De Aar (Gone West), also responsible for multiple graded stakes scorer and multiple Grade I-placed Willcox Inn (Harlan's Holiday) and stakes-placed Francisca (Mizzen Mast). This represents the family of dual Grade I winning turf horse Cetewayo. **Cont. p9**

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"She's been a very easy filly to get ready for this sale. She's always been an overachiever and we think she'll be a really nice filly down the road."

Asked about how the filly has developed since her purchase last season, de Meric explained, "She looked like this in July, just a little bit smaller. She just kept going the right way. She didn't grow in stages like some horses do, she just stayed balanced and precocious looking. It's impressive how when you stand into her, how big and balanced she is until you walk into her. She's just gotten better and better."



Tristan de Meric | Photos by Z

Freshman sire **West Coast**, standing at Lane's End, was also represented by **Hip 548**, who brought \$570,000 Wednesday.

The consignment's March offering also included **Hip 26 (Tapit, \$350,000)**, **Hip 46 (Upstart, \$425,000)**, **Hip 191 (Practical Joke, \$385,000)**, **Hip 385 (Good Magic, \$360,000)**, and **Hip 425 (Nyquist, \$300,000)**.

"I think it was a good sale, a really great market," concluded de Meric. "We got mostly everything we led through the ring sold, it ended up being 100% with a couple of post sales. We sold everything we led up here and that means it was a good market.--Christina Bossinakis

TDN TAKEAWAYS

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Spendthrift Freshmen Star at OBS

A trio of first-crop stallions from Spendthrift Farm put on quite a show over the two-day OBS March sale. MGISW Bolt d'Oro topped the group, which also included GI Met Mile winner Mor Spirit and GI Preakness S. victor Cloud Computing.

"It is a credit to our breeders," said Spendthrift's Ned Toffey. "Some of these horses were ones not everyone was eager to give a shot to, but our breeders have given us a great support. Hopefully now everyone will be supported. These are three very different sire lines, so we are trying to help keep things genetically diverse. This is a great game when things can work for breeders of all levels and that has always been important to us."

A two-time Grade I winner as a 2-year-old, Bolt d'Oro also captured the GII San Felipe S. at three and was second to **Justify** in that year's GI Santa Anita Derby. His first crop was well received at the yearling sales, including a \$1.4-million half-brother to Hall of Famer Rachel Alexandra.



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The Bolt d'Oros proved equally popular at OBS this week with seven juveniles bringing over \$250,000, headlined by a \$900,000 colt ([Hip 438](#)) purchased by Hideyuki Mori with Spendthrift as the underbidder. Bolt d'Oro stood his first season at \$25,000 and currently is listed for a fee of \$20,000.

"He was a really exciting horse when we were able to secure him," said Toffey. "Mick Ruis is our partner on him and he has provided great support. Bolt was tremendously talented and well bred, so he was a really exciting horse to bring to stud. His offspring have looked the part at every stage. They breezed the part and have shown they are extremely athletic. It is exactly what we hoped for when we bought him, but you never know if it will turn out like you hope. We couldn't be happier with the results so far. He has all kinds of potential."



Mor Spirit | Louise Reinagel

Donato Lanni went to \$650,000 to secure Mor Spirit from the Wavertree consignment for Michael Lund Petersen at the 2015 FTFMAR sale and one of his sons ([Hip 437](#)), hailing from the same consignment, brought \$700,000 from Mori at OBS Wednesday. Winner of the GI Los Alamitos Futurity S. in 2015, Mor Spirit romped in the GI Met Mile two years later. His initial crop was bred on a \$10,000 fee and he currently stands for half that price.

"Mor Spirit is a beautiful animal," Toffey said. "He is a son of Eskendereya, who is probably a horse that left the country a little too quickly and was a tremendous talent himself. Mor Spirit was also a tremendous athlete. We appreciate the support and faith our breeders have shown in us. Being by Eskendereya, it might have slowed some people down, but he was well supported. That is half the battle. We saw very athletic foals right away with him and you are seeing that now too. They are breezing very impressively and people like them. He is a horse I don't think a lot of farms wanted to stand, but he is the type of horse that if you take a shot on him, you could be well rewarded."

Cloud Computing, a member of his sire Maclean's Music's first crop, captured the 2017 Preakness for trainer Chad Brown. He put in a strong showing at this sale with four of his offspring hitting six figures, including a \$560,000 colt ([Hip 190](#)). His introductory fee was \$7,500 and he currently stands for \$5,000.

"Cloud Computing is a Preakness winner and he started at a lower price point [than most Classic winners]," Toffey said. "He has shown the talent to perform at the very top of our sport and is a beautiful animal. It has been a tremendous sire line. We have loved the foals and the yearlings. Now people are seeing just how athletic they are. A lot of the breeze analysis people thought Tuesday's Cloud Computing [Hip 190] was the best breeze in the sale. It is great to see the demand and all of the support." --[@CDeBernardisTDN](#)

Hometown Stallions Hold Their Own at OBS

Three stallions that stand just 5 1/2 miles away from the OBS sales grounds at the O'Farrell family's Ocala Stud--[Adios Charlie](#), Girvin and Awesome Slew--made sure the local contingent was well represented at the March Sale.

[Adios Charlie](#) is a stalwart on the Florida stallion ranks and one of the kingpins of Ocala Stud. One of his daughters ([Hip 213](#)) summoned \$410,000 Tuesday from West Point and Talla Racing after breezing in a blazing fast :20 2/5, the fastest quarter-mile time of the sale. Bred by William Terrell and Frank De Savino, she is out of MSW Travelator (A.P. Jet).

"Adios Charlie is kind of our proven horse," David O'Farrell said. "He has been very good to us. He has had to navigate a few small crops, but he gets runners. He has been more than useful."

He continued, "That filly worked terrific and is a beautiful filly. She was born and raised at the farm and is just exceptional."

Girvin and Awesome Slew are the new kids on the block at Ocala Stud with their first runners coming this spring. The O'Farrells consigned a homebred filly by GI Haskell S. winner Girvin ([Hip 198](#)), who brought \$240,000 from One Up Bloodstock during the opening session after working in :20 4/5. They also offered a homebred son of MGSW & MGISP Awesome Slew ([Hip 456](#)) Wednesday, who sold to Klaravich Stable for \$400,000 after also breezing in a snappy :20 4/5.

"We are really fortunate to have a couple first-year sires that are doing well in Awesome Slew and Girvin," Daivd O'Farrell said. "Girvin and Awesome Slew were both really good racehorses and have good pedigrees. Girvin has one of the liveliest pedigrees going right now. Awesome Slew has a ton of depth to his pedigree. Their offspring are sound horses with really good temperaments. They have a lot of athleticism and everything you'd like to see. It's always exciting to showcase them a little bit and so far it is working out."

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The horseman added, "We brought a nice group of horses and they did really well. They just thrived over here. We were really fortunate to be rewarded for them." --[@CDeBernardisTDN](#)

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HIP	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
318	More Than Ready--Broad Spectrum (\$120,000 yrl '21 KEESEP; \$47,000 RNA i/u '19 KEENOV) Breeder: WinStar Farm (Ky) Consignor: Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), agent Purchaser: K S I	1,200,000
438	Bolt d'Oro--Foolish Cause (\$200,000 yrl '21 KEESEP) Breeder: Springhouse Farm (Ky) Consignor: Top Line Sales LLC, Agent XVII Purchaser: Hideyuki Mori	900,000
437	Mor Spirit--Follow My Tail (\$160,000 yrl '21 FTKJUL) Breeder: Brad King (Tx) Consignor: Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), Agent I Purchaser: Hideyuki Mori	700,000
548	West Coast--Kimono (\$155,000 yrl '21 FTKJUL) Breeder: Woodford Thoroughbreds (Ky) Consignor: Eddie Woods, Agent VIII Purchaser: Carolyn Wilson	570,000
381	Justify--Dancinginherdreams (\$25,000 yrl '21 KEESEP) Breeder: John Oxley (Ky) Consignor: Parrish Farms, agent Purchaser: Rosedown Racing Stables, Oracle Bstock, agent	425,000
456	Awesome Slew--Genau Breeder: Ocala Stud (Fl) Consignor: Ocala Stud Purchaser: Klaravich Stable, Inc.	400,000
476	Justify--Haddie Be Good (\$290,000 RNA i/u '19 FTKNOV) Breeder: Craig Singer (Ky) Consignor: Niall Brennan Stables, Agent X Purchaser: Katsumi Yoshida	400,000

OBS MARCH -WEDNESDAY'S TOP FILLIES

HIP	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
532	American Pharoah--Just Parker Breeder: Torie Gladwell & E.V.S. Corp. Consignor: Top Line Sales LLC, Agent III Purchaser: Donato Lanni, agent	1,000,000

529	West Coast--Juliamarie (\$135,000 yrl '21 FTKJUL) Breeder: Milan Kosanovich (Fl) Consignor: de Meric Sales, Agent IV Purchaser: Maverick Racing & Siena Farms LLC	525,000
496	Mendelssohn--Honey Trap (\$90,000 yrl '21 OBSOCT; \$105,000 RNA yrl '21 KEESEP) Breeder: Hickstead Farm (Fl) Consignor: Paul Sharp, Agent I Purchaser: Jonathan Thomas, agent	400,000
385	Good Magic--Decor (\$160,000 yrl '21 KEESEP) Breeder: Josham Farms & Yvonne Schwabe Thoroughbreds (On) Consignor: de Meric Sales, Agent IV Purchaser: Lael Stable	360,000
468	Mendelssohn--Good Omen (\$250,000 yrl '21 SARAUG; \$110,000 wnlg '20 FTKNOV) Breeder: Magnolia Mares & Pony Express Sales (NY) Consignor: Top Line Sales LLC, Agent XXIV Purchaser: Maverick Racing & Siena Farms LLC	360,000



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SESSION TOTALS	2022	*2021
• Catalogued	319	281
• No. Offered	204	185
• No. Sold	165	150
• RNAs	39	35
• % RNAs	19.1%	18.9%
• Gross	\$21,953,000	\$18,844,500
• Average (% change)	\$133,048 (+5.9%)	\$125,630
• Median (% change)	\$75,000 (+9.5%)	\$68,500
CUMULATIVE	2022	*2021
• Catalogued	635	563
• No. Offered	430	397
• No. Sold	371	325
• RNAs	59	72
• % RNAs	13.7%	18.1%
• No. \$500K+	12	16
• High Price	\$1,200,000	\$750,000
• Gross	\$49,498,000	\$37,970,000
• Average (% change)	\$133,418 (+14.2%)	\$116,831
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Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
355	colt	Cloud Computing	Circleofcompetence	250,000

Consigned by Little Farm Equine, Agent III

Purchased by Mike McCarty

Samuel Espinoza purchased this colt for \$32,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

360	colt	Bolt d'Oro	Cloud Jumper	285,000
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Consigned by Pike Racing

Purchased by Dennis O'Neill

Al Pike was able to acquire this colt by hot freshman sire Bolt d'Oro for \$145,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale.

381	colt	Justify	Dancinginherdreams	425,000
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Consigned by Parrish Farm, agent

Purchased by Rosedown Racing Stables,

Oracle Bloodstock, agent

G.W. Parrish's Parrish Farm purchased this colt from Triple Crown winner **Justify**'s first crop for \$25,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

385	filly	Good Magic	Decor	360,000
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Consigned by de Meric Sales, Agent IV

Purchased by Lael Stable

De Meric Sales purchased this filly from the first crop of champion **Good Magic** for \$160,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September sale.

475	colt	Twirling Candy	Gypsy Judy	300,000
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Consigned by Kirkwood Stables, Agent IV

Purchased by Deuce Greathouse, Agent for Robert Masterson

Kip Elser's Kirkwood, in partnership with Lambholm and Schumer, purchased this colt for \$52,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall sale.

478	colt	Mendelssohn	Halo Dolly	280,000
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Consigned by Kings Equine, Agent V

Purchased by Katsumi Yoshida

Raul Reyes's Kings Equine purchased this colt for \$40,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

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544 filly **Shackleford** **Key is to Win** **300,000**

Consigned by Longoria Training & Sales, Agent II

Purchased by Hideyuki Mori

Greg James signed the ticket at \$40,000 to acquire this filly at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale. She worked a furlong in :9 4/5 last week.

553 colt **Ransom the Moon** **Kitty Quality** **200,000**

Consigned by Old South Farm LLC

Purchased by Bregman Family Racing LLC & Ivan Cabrera

Al Davis of Old South Farm purchased this colt from the first crop of Grade I winner Ransom the Moon for \$80,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

562 filly **Union Rags** **Lady Pamela** **150,000**

Consigned by Omega Farm, agent

Purchased by Full of Run Racing LLC II

Juvenal Diaz's Omega Farms purchased this filly for \$35,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September sale.

625 filly **Bolt d'Oro** **Moment of Speight (Ire)** **290,000**

Consigned by Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), agent

Purchased by Vince J Foglia

Ciaran Dunne's Owls Bloodstock pinhooking partnership purchased this filly for \$165,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton July sale and was among the many rewarded by her freshman sire's popularity in Ocala this week.

Pari-Mutuel Bill Advances in Kentucky cont. from p1

"In a couple of years, we're looking at a \$27-million increase, probably at a minimum," Koenig told the committee, noting that's in addition to the \$62 million projected to flow to the state from pari-mutuel taxes in 2022. "So the money is coming in from the industry. I think I found some creative ways generating additional money without hurting the product."

The bill is the product of last year's legislative interim task force on pari-mutuel wagering that was chaired by Koenig and Kentucky Senate Majority Leader Damon Thayer, a long-time supporter of the Kentucky racing industry. Created following the passage of legislation that protected Historical Horse Racing (HHR) in the state, the task force was charged with identifying ways to increase state revenues without negatively impacting purses and without discouraging racetracks from investing in HHR operations and associated capital projects.



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Penny Breakage A Positive Development...

A key element of HB 607 is the virtual elimination of so-called breakage, where tracks round down winning payoffs to the nearest dime based on a \$1 wager. Under HB 607, tracks would be required to pay off to the nearest penny, resulting in greater amounts of money returned to horseplayers. Koenig cited the example of 2018 Triple Crown winner **Justify** paying \$7.80 to win in the GI Kentucky Derby, a figure that would have been \$7.92 with penny breakage.

"That is the bettors' money," Koenig said. "I've been very interested since last year's HHR debate in making sure the bettors are taken care of. We took care of everyone else. Everyone is getting healthy on this except for the bettors, and this is how we're going to help the bettors. They're going to get paid to the penny rather than every 20 cents. In addition to taking care of the bettors, it will make Kentucky the place in North America to wager. If you're someone who wagers a lot of money, why would you bet anywhere else?" (*Click [here](#) to watch Adam Koenig on a recent episode of the TDN Writers' Room podcast.*)

Also easily passing the "L&O" committee Wednesday were bills that would legalize betting on sports in Kentucky and provide funding for problem gambling.

Additionally, HB 607 calls for the taxation of pari-mutuel wagers at 1.5%, the same rate assessed for HHR gaming. The bill raises the current rate for bets placed through ADWs from 0.5%. The tax rate on simulcast wagers placed at a Kentucky track on an out-of-state race would drop from 3%. The majority of bets are now placed through ADWs, while simulcasting has shrunk considerably as horseplayers opt for the convenience of wagering online.

KTDF Supplements Expanded...

Currently, money from the Kentucky Thoroughbred Development Fund (KTDF) is restricted to non-claiming races, but HB 607 cancels that stipulation, a policy change that has been strongly advocated for by the Kentucky HBPA in an effort to raise purses for the lower-level races in which many horsemen compete.

Rep. Al Gentry, a member of the pari-mutuel wagering task force, called making claiming races eligible for KTDF supplements "very, very important and one of the big pieces of the bill."

Given that HHR has helped Kentucky to be in a position to offer some of the highest purses in the world, and with HHR revenue expected to grow with the expansion of satellite facilities, HB 607 also stipulates that after KTDF money reaches \$40 million and the Kentucky Standardbred Development Fund its \$20 million in a year, the rate going to purses would

decrease, with the difference channeled to the state's General fund.

"We believe in two or three years, when the Historical Horse Racing facilities are more mature, that we're looking at \$20 million additional in the General Fund," Koenig told the committee. "The increase in the ADW tax from one-half to 1 1/2% will immediately generate \$4 million a year. That's the growth area, so that will continue to go up over time."

The bill also:

- Provides funding to the equine programs at the University of Kentucky and Bluegrass Community and Technical College. The University of Louisville business school's Equine Industry Program already receives funding from pari-mutuel wagering.
- Eliminates the 15-cent per person admission tax racetracks currently pay even if they don't charge admission (which is every track except Churchill Downs and Keeneland).
- Requires tracks to maintain a "self-exclusion" list--where individuals such as problem gamblers can say they don't want to be allowed into a track or HHR facility for a given period of time--to be shared with the racing commission and the other tracks and HHR properties.

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SUSPENSION IS UP, BUT PARX WON'T LET SANCHEZ RIDE *by Bill Finley*

Mychel Sanchez's 60-day suspension for betting against himself is about to end, but that doesn't mean the jockey will be back in action any time soon. After being suspended for 60 days by the Pennsylvania Racing Commission, Sanchez is eligible to ride Tuesday, but Parx management did not allow trainers to name him on horses on Wednesday when entries were taken for next Tuesday's card.

"We tried to name him on horses for Tuesday after his suspension ends and they would not accept anyone naming him on a horse," said Sanchez's attorney Alan Pincus.

Pincus added that he was not given any indication as to how long the ban from Parx would be in place.

Joe Wilson, Parx's chief operating officer, did not return a phone call Wednesday seeking comment and clarification.

Sanchez's status in Maryland is up in the air. After it was reported that Sanchez had placed bets against himself, The Stronach Group (TSG), which operates Laurel, announced that it would not allow Sanchez to ride at its tracks. Aidan Butler, TSG's chief operating answer, said via text that a final decision on Sanchez's status has yet to be reached. The first day Sanchez could possibly ride at Laurel is Mar. 25.

"No decision has been made yet," Butler wrote. "I want my management to speak to him before any decision is made. It's a pretty serious deal."

Sanchez was suspended in January after it was discovered that his recent betting activity, which included wagers of as much as \$6,000 a race, included, during a brief period that started last December, at least six instances in which he bet on a horse going up against his own mount. The bets were placed in races at Parx and at Laurel and the racing commissions in both states suspended him for 60 days and ordered him to seek counseling for a gambling problem. The suspensions ran concurrently.

Ordinarily, a jockey would likely receive a suspension of well more than two months if caught betting against himself. But Pincus successfully argued that Sanchez was not trying to fix races and instead went on a gambling spree as a means to deal with his depression.

Pincus said that under Pennsylvania rules anyone barred at a track is entitled to a hearing, which he has requested.

"Obviously, Mychel is disappointed," he said. "We went before two sets of impartial stewards [at Parx and at Laurel] who decided the penalty should be a total of two months. We trust their judgment. They are the only ones who have heard the actual facts of the case. We are eager to be able to explain the situation to the commission."

WEST POINT CEO TERRY FINLEY TALKS OBS MARCH, FLIGHTLINE ON WRITERS' ROOM



Shortly before purchasing eight horses on the first day of the OBS March Sale, West Point Thoroughbreds CEO Terry Finley joined the TDN Writers' Room presented by Keeneland Tuesday morning as the Green Group Guest of the Week to talk about the strength of the sales market, trying to find the perfect formula in analyzing and purchasing horses at auction, the latest with superstar Flightline ([Tapit](#)) and much more.

"There is no secret sauce, and we bring that up to prospective partners all the time, to acknowledge something that's obvious to all of us who have been in the game." Finley said about buying sale horses. "There's a small segment of the group of horses that are going to be sold [this week] that, on the surface, are obvious. They put everything together—they pass the vet, they work really, really well. Those, you don't really have to think a whole lot about. But the vast majority of them are in the middle ... Some consignors, if you see a :10 1/5 [furlong breeze] and know their history and the way they bring these horses to market, you know that might be very, very good. Then you see somebody else with a bevy of :9 4/5s and they have a horse breeze :10 2/5, that's a factor. You talk about the way they come away from the pole. There are some of them that don't come away from the eighth pole as quickly as they probably could have, so :10 2/5 on top of a good gallop-out is going to pick our heads up. You look at the way they've come out of the breezes and the way they're acting because they've got a lot of stress on them. There are so many things that come into play. It's a beautiful game, and you've always got to continue to improve your process."

TDN Writers' Room cont.

Finley was later asked for an update on undefeated supernova Flightline, who is three-for-three, with each performance more devastating than the next, but missed a planned start in Saturday's GII San Carlos S. Mar. 5 due to a strain in a hock.

"As much as everybody else, we'd love to run him more," Finley said. "It's just the circumstances. He's not an unsound horse by any stretch. He just strained a hock and that took him out of training for three-and-a-half, four weeks, but he's back at the racetrack and he's just about ready to turn around and start galloping. We'll be there in New York on Belmont Stakes day for the Met Mile, and we can't wait. We'd love for it to be as solid a field as possible, because I think when he runs against those better horses and is successful, the aura around him continues to grow. It'll be a long, long wait between now and late in the day on Belmont day, but we just hope the wait is worth it. It's an honor to be associated with a horse like this. Anybody that buys horses and plays the game, they see the Justifys, the American Pharoahs and you dream about, 'What does that feel like?' I asked myself on a continuous basis, 'When is it going to be our time?' Horses do so much for us, and when you get one like this, it's a very, very special feeling. He could be one of the ones they talk about 100 years from now. And that just puts a smile on your face."

Elsewhere on the show, which is also sponsored by [Coolmore](#), [West Point Thoroughbreds](#), the [Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders](#), [Lane's End](#), [Canterbury Park](#), [XBTV](#) and [Legacy Bloodstock](#), the writers discussed the state of the GI Kentucky Derby trail, D. Wayne Lukas's decision to try filly Secret Oath (Arrogate) against males in the GI Arkansas Derby, Churchill running the GI Arlington Million card in Louisville this summer and more. [Click here to watch the podcast; click here for the audio-only version](#) or find it on Apple Podcasts or Spotify.

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CYBERKNIFE TO REPRESENT COX BARN IN ARKANSAS DERBY

Gold Square LLC's [Cyberknife](#) ([Gun Runner](#)) will make his next start in the \$1.25-million GI Arkansas Derby at Oaklawn Park Apr. 2, trainer Brad Cox told the Oaklawn press office.

A \$400,000 acquisition by owner Al Gold out of the 2020 Fasig-Tipton Selected Yearling Showcase, the chestnut is unbeaten in two starts going long outside of stakes competition, having graduated in his first route attempt at the Fair Grounds Dec. 26 before tacking on a three-length allowance victory at the New Orleans oval Feb. 19. In between those efforts, he was a well-beaten sixth in the Jan. 12 GIII Lecomte S. Cyberknife worked five furlongs in 1:00 flat at the Fair Grounds Mar. 12.



Cyberknife | Horsephotos

"He's probably going to continue to work down [at the Fair Grounds], but we've pretty much zeroed in on the Arkansas Derby," Cox said. "He's a tough horse to deal with, he always has been. He's gotten better. He appears to be improving. I thought his last race was a step forward. Got a really good figure the last race. I think it's going to stack up and probably be one of the better ones in the Arkansas Derby and if he runs that race, I think he's a player."

Cox's other main GI Kentucky Derby hope is ['TDN Rising Star' Zozos](#) ([Munnings](#)), who is being pointed at the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 26.

Nominations to the Arkansas Derby, which offers 170 points (100-40-20-10) on the Road to the Kentucky Derby, close this Friday, Mar. 18.

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FASIG-TIPTON DIGITAL SALE KICKS OFF THURSDAY

Fasig-Tipton's new standalone digital auction platform--Fasig-Tipton Digital--will launch Thursday with the March Digital Selected Sale. The sale continues through Tuesday, Mar. 22.

"There's a lot of people that have expressed the need for this kind of market," said [Leif Aaron](#), Fasig-Tipton Director of Digital Sales. "They've been very supportive of our first sale. To them, it's a segment of the market that needs to be filled."

The catalogue of approximately 15-20 head will be revealed at [digital.fasigtipton.com](#) Thursday and bidding will open at that time. The group will include horses of racing age, broodmares, racing/broodmare prospects and a stallion share. The digital website will feature photos, videos, repository, health information, pedigrees, race replays, various past performances and speed figures. Potential buyers can schedule a physical inspection on that platform as well. [Cont. p17](#)



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"The stallion share is for a young, up-and-coming stallion," Aaron said. "We have multiple stakes horses in this book, half siblings to Grade I winners, daughters of Grade I winners, horses with conditions left to race and graded-stakes caliber racehorses. It's a very strong group of horses."

He concluded, "The support that we've gotten from consignors horse wise is very good. It's just a real quality group of horses. I think it's going to grow eventually with volume, but for right now, we're just focused on quality to try to establish the marketplace."

For more from Aaron on the March Digital Selected Sale, click here for a [recent Q&A session](#).

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SHADWELL FARM TO SELL TWO KENTUCKY DIVISIONS



Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum in 2009 | Horsephotos

Shadwell Farm, which has been [undergoing a business review of operations](#) in the U.S., as well as in Ireland and the UK, since its founder, His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, [died last March](#), will sell two farms in Central Kentucky. The properties are the 839-acre Shadayid Stud, located on both sides of Leestown Road, and the 525-acre Erhaab Stud, located on Frankfort/Georgetown Road. Both farms feature fields, paddocks, barns, homes, and more. Shadayid Stud is being offered for \$17.75 million, while Erhaab Stud is listed for \$12 million.

A release about the "auxiliary farms" and restructuring process said, in part, "Both of these farms were meticulously developed by us, are in pristine condition, and have been impeccably maintained. These farms are separate from the original main division where we will continue to raise Thoroughbreds in the finest tradition."

Justice Real Estate will represent Shadwell as broker.

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PET SCAN INSTALLED AT ROOD & RIDDLE

Edited Press Release

Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital is pleased to announce the installation of an equine positron emission tomography (PET) scanner at the Lexington, Kentucky, hospital. This modality is used for diagnostic imaging in select lameness cases and can be used in standing, sedated horses. It does not require general anesthesia. The scans result in quantitative, three-dimensional, cross-sectional images that can help accurately pinpoint the location and severity of a problem. Any area on the limb from the foot to the carpus (knee) and tarsus (hock) can be imaged. Two different types of scans can be performed. One looks at areas of increased bone metabolism and is useful to identify sub-chondral bone disease, signs of impending fracture, suspensory ligament attachment disorders, and osteoarthritis. The other looks at the overall tissue metabolism and is useful in cases of soft tissue injury or laminitis. Rood & Riddle is the fourth location for this standing PET scanner for horses globally and is the site of the first installation at a private practice.

"We are excited to introduce this new technology for our patients," said Dr. Katherine Garrett, Rood & Riddle's director of Imaging. "PET scans will increase our ability to detect bony injury in horses, which will hopefully lead to improved outcomes."

Orthopedic surgeon Dr. Larry Bramlage added, "We started with radiographs alone, and they depended on celluloid and silver ions for an image. Then, digital radiographs moved us forward in the quality of what we could see. Nuclear scintigraphy was the next step because we could image physiology, not just anatomy. Then, the three-dimensional imaging with computed tomography (CAT) scans and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) further expanded our capabilities. We have now moved forward to another level with PET scanning, which combines the physiology of nuclear medicine and the three-dimensional capabilities of CAT and MRI into a three-dimensional image of bone physiology. It can also look at the three-dimensional activity of some soft tissues. PET adds significantly to our imaging and understanding of the true status of the equine athlete."

In 2015, Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation funded the first-ever research project that performed PET scans on equine athletes and followed that up with additional research funding in 2019. Now, this new cutting-edge research will assist vets coast to coast in identifying lameness problems that are hard to locate.

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PET Scan Installed at Rood & Riddle cont.

"Grayson has been a longtime supporter of research on the efficacy of PET scans in diagnosing injuries in horses, and we are pleased to see a PET scanner installed at one of the premier equine hospitals in the world," said Jamie Haydon, president of Grayson. "We are proud to have contributed to the development of a technology that will help countless horses at Rood & Riddle for years to come."

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GOLDEN GATE FACING 50-DAY CLOSURE

Officials at the Pacific Racing Association and Golden Gate Fields (GGF) have announced that the track and stable area will be closed to all activities and occupants for a seven-week period beginning June 18, 2022 and extending through Aug. 7, 2022, in order to provide 'safe and unimpeded access for required upgrades, repairs and inspection of the utility infrastructure serving the GGF facility.' During that time frame, there will be no live racing or training and housing will be unavailable.

In a memo issued late Wednesday, officials explained they have no choice but to take the action and that the track is required to undertake steps to 'evaluate, repair and replace sanitary sewer infrastructure' that serves the facility. As required by the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) Regional Private Sewer Lateral Ordinance, GGF must evaluate its more than 6,000 feet (more than a linear mile) of sanitary sewer laterals serving the facility. Portions of the work cannot be completed safely or expeditiously without a complete shutdown of all operations.

The memo goes on to state that the track will work with stakeholders over the course of the next three months to minimize the impact the repairs will cause. It was not immediately clear where displaced backstretch workers would be accommodated.

Golden Gate was also forced to close its facility 15 years ago when the racing surface was replaced.

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MATING PLANS

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CHINA HORSE CLUB



China Horse Club's Cara Marie, the dam of 2020 GIII Pocahontas S. winner Girl Daddy, is going back to Uncle Mo this year | Coady

With the 2022 breeding season underway, we continue to feature a series of breeders' mating plans. Today we talk to China Horse Club's U.S. Representative Fabricio Buffalo.

CARA MARIE (m, 10, Unbridled's Song--Miss Kilroy, by A. P. Indy) to be bred to Uncle Mo

This mare is a beautiful individual from a European female family that was developed by the late Stonerside operation. They raced her second dam Miss Caerleona (Fr) (Caerleon).

This year she goes back to Uncle Mo, which will be the same cross that produced her second foal Grade III winner and Grade I placed Girl Daddy. She also has a top-class yearling filly by Uncle Mo, so it's a cross that has been working.

COZZE UP LADY (m, 13, Cozzene--The White Lady, by Johannesburg) to be bred to Charlatan

This is a very nice, straightforward mare. We couldn't have been happier with such a nice comeback to the races this month for her second foal Kimari (Munnings) after selling for \$2.7 million last November. Fingers crossed she defends her title in the GI Madison S. at Keeneland this spring.

This mare has a very nice Constitution yearling colt. Cozze Up Lady has proven herself already and now we can try something new. She goes to Charlatan—a horse with plenty of speed that proved to be popular amongst breeders. This cross has a similar characteristic to the cross that produced Kimari, as both Munnings and Charlatan are sons of Speightstown. Cont. p19

EMBELLISH THE LACE (m, 10, Super Saver--Expanse, by Distant View) to be bred to Quality Road

Embellish the Lace is a good-looking mare. You look at her and it's one of those cases where it makes sense that she was a top racehorse, winning a Grade I with just a few starts. She has produced two seven-figure yearlings at the sales, one filly by Tapit called Tap the Faith that won first time out and was fifth in a Grade II as a 2-year-old last year and another filly by Into Mischief that is currently a 2-year-old.

She was already covered by **Quality Road** this year; it was tried last year but unfortunately, she didn't get pregnant.

MOONLIGHT SKY (m, 9, Sky Mesa--Vargas Girl, by Deputy Minister) to be bred to Curlin

This mare is a stakes-placed half-sister to the great Abel Tasman (**Quality Road**), who gave so much joy to China Horse Club. We are excited about her, as her first foal Urban (**Quality Road**) was second in a Grade III already in her 3-year-old campaign. She could be a special mare for sure as the family is live with many updates.

This year, she is in foal to **Tiz the Law** and is going to **Curlin**. His record with some specific A. P. Indy-line mares is impressive. With A. P. Indy mares, he has had 20% stakes winners to runners, including three Grade I winners. Looking at Bernardini

mares, he has had 21 runners and eight stakes winners, including five at the graded level. It's worth trying with a **Sky Mesa** mare as long as both physicals fit together.

YELLOW AGATE (m, 8, Gemologist--Lemon Sorbet, by Lemon Drop Kid) to be bred to Constitution

This mare gave China Horse Club a fantastic thrill by winning the 2016 GI Frizette S. in the red and yellow colors.

She is in foal to **Quality Road** and will be visiting **Constitution** this year. **Constitution** is a sire that has been doing well and should reach new heights with his progeny, having bred fantastic books of mares lately. Tiznow, the sire of Gemologist, has had 11 runners when his daughters crossed with **Constitution** and the mating has produced GSW **Tiz the Law** as well as MSW and GISP **Never Surprised**.

LAST FULL MEASURE (m, 14, Empire Maker--Lazy Slusan, by Slewvescent) to be bred to Quality Road

I think that Last Full Measure is what every breeder aspires to have. She is the daughter of a Grade I winner and she herself is a Grade I winner and producer as the dam of Valiance (**Tapit**).

This year she is in foal to **Constitution**. A stably-made mare and quite strong overall, she could use some scope and **Quality Road** seem to be a good fit physically.

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2013 GI Madison S. winner Last Full Measure (Empire Maker)
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SAMBUCAS CLASSICA (m, 18 Cat Thief--In Her Glory, by Miswaki) to be bred to Quality Road

This is the dam of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile S. winner and sire **Classic Empire**. She has produced several other stakes horses in Uptown Twirl (**Twirling Candy**), Anytime Magic (**Fusaichi Pegasus**) and Exclamation Point (**Concord Point**). In partnership with WinStar, we have a full-brother to **Classic Empire** called Harvard (Pioneerof the Nile) who could be another stakes horse on her resume.

She is currently in foal to **Improbable** and will be covered this year by **Quality Road**. **Quality Road** has had plenty of opportunities with Storm Cat-line broodmare sires and has produced 11 stakes winners. She is a neater type and should benefit from his scope.

IOTAPA (m, 12, Afleet Alex--Concinnous, by El Corredor) to be bred to Not This Time

This mare was quite versatile at the track having won Grade I races over the dirt and synthetic. On the breeding side, she has always produced good-sized foals like herself.

She went to **Improbable** last year and is close to foaling. This year she is visiting **Not This Time**, who has had six graded winners so far and five of those are out of Mr. Prospector-line mares.

Let us know who you're breeding your mares to in 2022, and why. We will print a selection of your responses in TDN over the coming weeks. Please send details to: garyking@thetdn.com.

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DEL MAR "SHIP & WIN" IS RICHER THAN EVER IN '22

Del Mar will offer its richest "Ship and Win" bonus when the program, designed to encourage out-of-state horses to compete in California, returns for its 12th year at the oceanside oval's summer meeting. This year's program offers a \$5,000 starter bonus and a 50% purse supplement for any dirt runner. Turf horses earn a \$4,000 starter fee and a 40% purse bonus.

The purse bonuses extend to additional starts at the summer meet and are designed to increase all purses won by first through fifth finishers. Further, should a 'S & W' horse be claimed out of its first outing and subsequently run back at the meet, the original owner will receive all bonuses.

"This has proven to be an exceptional program for Del Mar and California racing," said David Jerkens, a Del Mar vice president and its racing secretary. "We strengthen our fields each summer with "Ship & Win" horses and the majority of them stay on and race in the state. Our local owners and trainers bring us the bulk of these out-of-state runners and our partnership with Santa Anita on this has worked very well."

Thoroughbred Owners of California Chairman Gary Fenton added, "My two favorite aspects are always that a) our owners are the biggest recipients of the bonus and b) there is a benefit to the entire ecosystem as up to 10% of Santa Anita's field size is made up of 'Ship & Win' graduates. There isn't a more lucrative way to bring horses to California."

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NINETEEN HORSES ON OFFER AT WANAMAKER'S MARCH SALE

Wanamaker's March Sale catalogue features 19 offerings, highlighted by **Bordeaux Belle** (*Quality Road*). The unraced 3-year-old filly is being sold as a broodmare prospect by StarLadies Racing. She is out of multiple stakes winner Shanon Nicole (Majestic Warrior). The sale also offers yearlings, 2-year-olds, racing prospects, broodmares, stallion seasons and a stallion.

Live bidding for the online auction will open at 8 a.m. ET Mar. 24 and the first listing will close at 5 p.m. ET with subsequent listings ending in three-minute increments. Detailed buying information can be found at www.wanamakers.com.

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ORSENO TO BE INTERIM PRESIDENT OF FL HBPA



Joe Orseno | Ryan Thompson

The **2022 election** for the board of the Florida Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) has concluded with trainer Joe Orseno slated to serve as interim president. He replaces Stephen Screni, who did not run for reelection.

Reelected to the board of directors are owner Adam Lazarus and trainers Orseno, Kathy Davey, and Terri Pompay. New to the board is owner David Rousso. Troy Levy and Ralph Nicks have stepped down. The remainder of the board consists of owners Chester Bishop, Thomas Cannell, and Teresa Palmer, as well as trainers Patrick Biancone, David Fawkes, and Ron Spatz.

The new board will take office at the next board meeting Mar. 24. New officers will be named at that time.

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"A STAKE IN STARDOM" INITIATIVE UNVEILED BY AMERICA'S BEST RACING



Giant Game | Horsephotos

America's Best Racing, a multimedia fan development and awareness-building platform formed by The Jockey Club (TJC), has launched a new initiative designed to introduce racing to new fans. Named "A Stake in Stardom," the program has tabbed brand ambassadors Sarah Cline and Joey Mulinaro to go behind the scenes as partial owners of 3-year-olds in partnership with West Point Thoroughbreds. Cline is best known as a TikTok influencer and Mulinaro is a former Barstool Sports contributor and impressionist. Each will receive a minority ownership stake in Giant Game (Giant's Causeway) and Vinco (*Quality Road*), respectively.

"This is a tremendous opportunity to reach and attract new fans to racing, enabling them to experience the sport and lifestyle of Thoroughbred racing like never before," said Stephen B. Panus, president of TJC Media Ventures Inc. "By providing the brand ambassadors with an ownership stake in the racing career of the horses, everyone will have an inside, all-access look into a horse's preparation, care, and competitions, from stable to starting gate, through the unique lens and perspectives of Sarah Cline and Joey Mulinaro. We're incredibly grateful to Terry Finley and West Point Thoroughbreds for their collaboration with America's Best Racing and for helping to amplify the message that horse racing is truly a sport for everyone."

Giant Game, third in the GI TVG Breeders' Cup Juvenile, was most recently off the board in the Mar. 12 GII Lambholm South Tampa Bay Derby, while Vinco--a \$1.5 million 2-year-old at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic sale--was second in a Jan. 22 Fair Grounds maiden and also off the board in a subsequent try.

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News Roundup cont.**HICKMAN, FIXTURE OF TEXAS/LOUISIANA RACING INDUSTRY, DIES**

Willie Stuard Hickman, who served in several roles in the Thoroughbred industry in Texas and Louisiana, passed away Mar. 15. Had been hospitalized with pneumonia and was 64 years old.

Born in Red Rock, Texas, Hickman at various times trained racehorses and worked in the racing office at Sam Houston Race Park for over two decades. As stall superintendent, jockey room coordinator and most recently, stakes coordinator, Hickman had lasting relationships with horsemen in both Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing. He also did an excellent job as jockey agent to rider Alfonso Lujan. One of the most successful Quarter Horse jockeys in the region for 11 years, Lujan won over 2,100 races prior to his retirement in 2018.

"Willie was a valued member of the Sam Houston racing office and was well-respected by our horsemen," said racing secretary James Leatherman. "We appreciate his many years of service and extend our deepest condolences to his family."

Hickman is survived by his daughter, Cheyenne Hickman; brother, Jimbo Hickman; niece and nephew, Chelsea and Justin; aunt, Betty Davis; and numerous cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, William Earl and Mattie Ruth Hickman; and his daughter, Savannah Hickman.

Services for Willie will be held on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Johnson and Robison Funeral Home, 107 W. Napoleon St., Sulphur, LA. Burial will follow at Mimosa Pines Cemetery in Carlyss. The family will receive friends on Monday at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

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Date	Race	Track
Mar. 19	GIII Essex H.	Oaklawn
	GIII Whitmore S.	Oaklawn
Mar. 26	GII TwinSpires.com Louisiana Derby	Fair Grounds
	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
Mar. 27	GIII Sunland Park Derby	Sunland Park
Apr. 2	GI Arkansas Derby	Oaklawn
	GI <i>Curlin</i> Florida Derby	Gulfstream
	GII Gulfstream Park Oaks	Gulfstream
	GII Pan American S.	Gulfstream
	GIII <i>Kitten's Joy</i> Appleton S.	Gulfstream
	GIII <i>Ghostzapper</i> S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Orchid S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Fantasy S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Oaklawn Mile S.	Oaklawn
	GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks	Turfway
Apr. 8	GI Central Bank Ashland S.	Keeneland
	GIII Kentucky Utilities Transylvania S.	Keeneland
Apr. 9	GI Toyota Blue Grass S.	Keeneland
	GI Madison S.	Keeneland
	GI Carter H.	Aqueduct
	GI <i>Runhappy</i> Santa Anita Derby	Santa Anita
	GII Wood Mem'l S., Pres. By World Resorts Casino	Aqueduct
	GII Appalachian S., Pres. by JRA	Keeneland
	GII Shakertown S.	Keeneland
	GII Santa Anita Oaks	
	GII Monrovia S.	Santa Anita
	GII Royal Heroine S.	Santa Anita
	GIII ProvidenciaS.	SantaAnita
	GIII Commonwealth S.	Keeneland
Apr. 10	GIII Beaumont S. (Keeneland Select)	Keeneland
Apr. 15	GI Maker's Mark Mile	Keeneland
Apr. 16	GI Jenny Wiley S.	Keeneland
	GIII Stonestreet Lexington S.	Keeneland
	GIII Count Fleet Sprint H.	Oaklawn
Apr. 22	GIII Baird Doubledogdare S.	Keeneland
Apr. 23	GI Apple Blossom H.	Oaklawn
	GII Oaklawn H.	Oaklawn
	GII Elkhorn S.	Keeneland
	GIII Ben Ali S.	Keeneland
Apr. 29	GIII Bewitch S.	Keeneland
Apr. 30	GII Californian S.	SantaAnita
	GII Santa Margarita S.	Santa Anita
	GII Charles Whittingham. S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Kona Gold S.	Santa Anita
	GIII San Francisco Mile	Golden Gate
May 1	GIII Wilshire S.	Santa Anita

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2022 Second-Crop Sires by YTD Earnings

for stallions standing in North America through Tuesday, Mar. 15

Earnings represent NA & EU figures, NH foals only, stud fees listed are 2022 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Gun Runner (2013) by <i>Candy Ride (Arg)</i>	3	8	1	4	--	--	47	11	137,500	979,301
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$125,000	Early Voting
2	Classic Empire (2014) by <i>Pioneerof the Nile</i>	1	5	1	2	--	--	42	15	220,000	860,155
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$17,500	Morello
3	Arrogate (2013) by <i>Unbridled's Song</i>	2	3	1	1	--	--	31	11	300,000	848,230
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Juddmonte Farms USA (Dead/Retired)	Secret Oath
4	Practical Joke (2014) by <i>Into Mischief</i>	1	2	1	1	--	--	67	14	62,760	780,853
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$35,000	Girl With a Dream
5	Connect (2013) by <i>Curlin</i>	1	3	--	--	--	--	52	11	103,880	664,878
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$25,000	Don't Swear Dave
6	Cupid (2013) by <i>Tapit</i>	1	2	--	1	--	--	61	17	65,000	657,643
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$5,000	Sterling Silver
7	Keen Ice (2012) by <i>Curlin</i>	1	5	--	--	--	--	59	15	72,560	545,257
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Calumet Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	Majestic Frontier
8	Gormley (2014) by <i>Malibu Moon</i>	--	1	--	--	--	--	41	11	53,900	443,044
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	Badgerville
9	Unified (2013) by <i>Candy Ride (Arg)</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	38	11	45,800	376,593
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	Fromanothamutha
10	Blofeld (2012) by <i>Quality Road</i>	--	1	--	--	--	--	13	12	57,744	375,686
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Murmur Farm MD Fee: \$4,000	Gamestonks
11	Mastery (2014) by <i>Candy Ride (Arg)</i>	--	2	--	1	--	--	39	8	42,040	367,422
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	Epoch
12	Midnight Storm (2011) by <i>Pioneerof the Nile</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	32	10	60,000	364,690
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Taylor Made Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	Magnolia Midnight
13	American Freedom (2013) by <i>Pulpit</i>	--	2	--	--	--	--	48	10	56,650	355,264
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$6,000	Good Skate
14	Shaman Ghost (2012) by <i>Ghostzapper</i>	--	--	--	--	--	--	25	5	64,875	328,013
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Adena Springs North ON Fee: 7,500	Madiha
15	Divining Rod (2012) by <i>Tapit</i>	1	1	--	--	--	--	25	9	70,000	318,667
	FYR: 2019									Stands: Country Life Farm MD Fee: \$5,000	Local Motive

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Saturday, Oaklawn #9, post time: 6:10 p.m. EDT

ESSEX H.-GIII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Thomas Shelby	Curlin	M and M Racing	Diodoro	Cohen	118
2	Title Ready	More Than Ready	Charles E. Fipke	Stewart	Hernandez, Jr.	117
3	Warrior's Charge	Munnings	Ten Strike Racing and Madaket Stables LLC	Cox	Geroux	119
4	Plainsman	Flatter	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Cox	Rosario	122
5	Popular Kid	Popular	George A. Sharp	Davis	Arrieta	116
6	Rated R Superstar	Kodiak Kowboy	Danny R. Caldwell	Villafranco	Cabrera	118
7	Beau Luminarie	I Want Revenge	Linda S. Pavey	Brisset	Santana, Jr.	118
8	Hanalei's Houdini	Jersey Town	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Vazquez	117

Breeders: 1-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 2-Charles Fipke, 3-Al Shaquab Racing, 4-Joseph Minor, 5-Rod Rodriguez & Lorraine Rodriguez, 6-Thorndale Stable L.L.C., 7-Linda S. Pavey, 8-Dr. & Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau

Saturday, Oaklawn #7, post time: 5:04 p.m. EDT

WHITMORE S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	No Shirt No Shoes	Shackleford	James Reisinger	Anderson	Garcia	121
2	Bob's Edge	Competitive Edge	Freeny, Michael, Freeny, Patricia and Taylor, Jennifer Grayson	Jones	Quinonez	124
3	Greeley and Ben	Greeley's Conquest	End Zone Athletics, Inc.	Broberg	Cabrera	119
4	Kneedepinsnow	Flat Out	Paradise Farms Corp., Staudacher, David & Al Bianchi Racing	Maker	Vazquez	121
5	Atoka	Union Rags	Lukas, Laurie, Lukas, D. Wayne, Heird, Jim and Green, Eleanor	Lukas	Contreras	121
6	Royal Daaher	Daaher	Doubledown Stables, Inc.	DiVito	Arrieta	121
7	Tulane Tryst	Into Mischief	David Ingordo	DeVaux	Hernandez, Jr.	121
8	Heart Rhythm	Flat Out	Duncan, Kelly G and Duncan, Trisha Vance	Duncan	Franco	121
9	Hollis	Street Sense	WSS Racing, LLC and 4 G Racing, LLC	Ortiz	Santana, Jr.	121

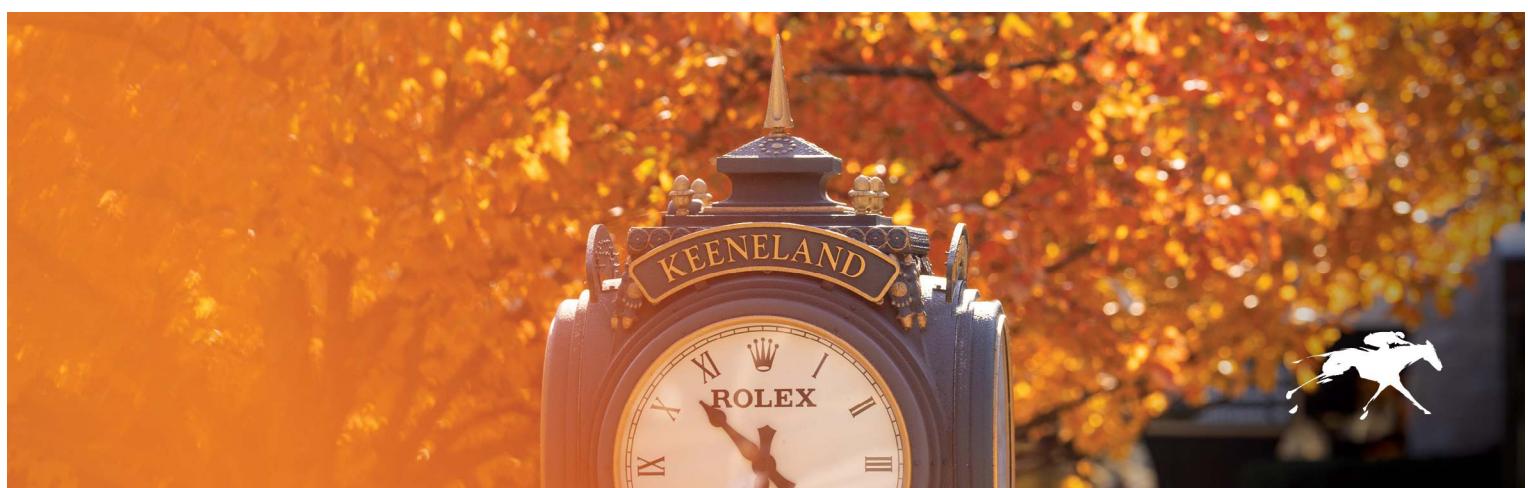
Breeders: 1-Kim Nardelli & Rodney Nardelli, 2-Westwind Farms, 3-Millard R. Seldin Rev. Trust, 4-BWB Bloodstock, LLC & WDS Bloodstock, 5-KatieRich Farms, 6-Doubledown Stables, Inc., 7-Machmer Hall, 8-Terrazas Thoroughbreds, LLC., 9-Mueller Thoroughbred Stable, LTD.



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CLAIRIERE (f, 4, Curlin--Cavorting {MGISW, \$2,063,000}, by Bernardini), fresh off a 2021 season that saw her take both the



Clairiere | Hodes Photography

GI Cotillion S. Sept 25 and GII Rachel Alexandra S. Feb. 21, got back in the winner's circle Wednesday to begin her 2022 campaign. Though a last out fourth by only three-quarters of a length to longshot Marche Lorraine (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}) following an impossible trip in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff Nov. 6, Clairiere posted a career-high 101 Beyer Speed Figure and seemed poised to come into the new year ready to roll. Bet down as the 1-9 favorite, she added Lasix for the first time for trainer Steve Asmussen. She broke cleanly and rated back just off the rail behind the quick early pace of Super Quick (Super Saver). She was content in her position up the backstretch and advanced between horses entering the far turn when she swung outside of Audrey's Time (**Uncle Mo**) and Tizafeelin (Jimmy Creed). Despite switching back to her left lead down the stretch, Clairiere was unchallenged and crossed the wire a dominating 6 1/2 lengths in front. Her dam has also produced La Crete (**Medaglia d'Oro**), SW, \$159,460, the 2-year-old colt Judge Miller (**Curlin**) (\$550,000 KEESEP yearling); and was bred to leading sire Into Mischief for 2022. "That was a good place to get started," assistant trainer Scott Blasi said. "She

got to walk out of her own stall, walk over here, and get a nice start to her year. We're looking forward to big things from her throughout the rest of the year. No more easy spots after today. It's great to have her back." Lifetime Record: GISW, 11-4-3-2, \$1,324,592. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

B/O-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Steve M. Asmussen.

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7th-Gulfstream, \$54,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000),
3-16, 3yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:29.99, fm, 1 length.

BEECHNUT TROPHY (f, 3, Real Solution--South Sound, by Stroll) earned a second straight win Wednesday while shortened up to 7 1/2 furlongs. A maiden winner going 1 1/16 miles on the turf last time out Dec. 26, Beechnut Trophy added Lasix for her first start as a 3-year-old and looked to continue the upward trajectory of her Beyer Speed Figures, most recently posting a 71 in that aforementioned maiden win in which four horses have come back to win since. Off as the 7-5 choice, she broke from the inside and was quickly bumped a few strides out and forced to settle at the back of the pack. She sat comfortably on the inside of stablemate Running Legacy (**Gun Runner**) up the backstretch. Angled out six wide at the top of the stretch, Beechnut Trophy picked up speed, shifted to the rail, and pushed clear to post a one-length victory over Love Her Lots (**Cupid**). She is a half-sibling to two other winners and is the last reported foal of her dam. "I was a little wide, but I thought I was following the right horse [**Thataint Tooshabby**], who won her last two," winning rider Jose Ortiz said. "She was going pretty easy on the outside approaching the quarter-pole and then they started drifting out in front of me. I saw a window on the inside. When I got her to the inside, she rebroke and gave me another kick." Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$78,600. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

8th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, Msw, 3-16, 3yo, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:03.80, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

CONDEMN (c, 3, **Medaglia d'Oro--Sentence, by Blame**) took four tries to break his maiden, finally getting the win with first-time Lasix and blinkers here. A close second going seven furlongs at Ellis in July, he was last seen finishing seventh behind subsequent GISW Rattle N Roll (**Connect**) going two turns at Churchill Sept. 23. Off at 11-1 in this off the turfer, Condemn broke at the back of the field and raced on the rail. Guided eight wide into the stretch, he rolled home to score by 1 1/2 lengths over Cyclone (Point of Entry). The chestnut colt is the first foal for his dam, who also has a yearling full-brother to Condemn and a 2022 filly by **Candy Ride (Arg.)**. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$41,979. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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

191 foals of racing age/29 winners/0 black-type winners

6-Oaklawn, 4:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Boat Song, 8-1

\$22,000 KEE SEP yrl

8-Turfway, 9:46 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Bourbon Talking, 20-1

\$27,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Battle of Midway (Smart Strike), WinStar Farm

5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

4-Sam Houston Race, 5:27 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Smart Battle,

30-1

\$90,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$13,000 OBS OPN 2yo

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

186 foals of racing age/31 winners/3 black-type winners
7-Turfway, 9:16 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6 1/2f, Twenty Four Mamba, 8-5
\$55,000 KEE NOV wnl

Divining Rod (**Tapit**), Country Life Farm

96 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Oaklawn, 4:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Alpha Whiskey, 12-1
\$25,000 EAS OCT yrl; \$135,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Gentlemen's Bet (Half Ours), McDowell Farm, \$1,250

18 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Oaklawn, 4:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Acehigh Royal, 12-1

Iron Fist (**Tapit**), Whispering Oaks Farm

36 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Fair Grounds, 6:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Iron Fortune, 30-1
\$1,200 ESL MIX yrl

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

191 foals of racing age/26 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Gulfstream, 2:01 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Queen Macha, 3-1
\$16,000 KEE SEP yrl

Klimt (**Quality Road**), Jockey Club of Turkey, \$7,500

282 foals of racing age/36 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Art Heist, 7-2
\$65,000 OBS OCT yrl

7-Turfway, 9:16 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6 1/2f, Droppin G's, 10-1
\$15,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$50,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Kobe's Back (**Flatter**), Bonita Farm, \$3,000

28 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Charles Town, 8:53 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Sargent Kobe, 8-1

Practical Joke (**Into Mischief**), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000

266 foals of racing age/35 winners/6 black-type winners
6-Oaklawn, 4:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Sinner's Sin, 2-1
\$39,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS APR 2yo



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Have Mercy (Aus), f, 3, **American Pharoah**--Blissful (Aus), by Lonhro (Aus). Hawkesbury, 3-15, Maiden, 1100mT, 1:04.31. B-C M Murphy (NSW). *A\$210,000 Ylg '20 MMGCYS.



ADDITIONAL RACING

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-Gulfstream, \$54,000, 3-16, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.14, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

FIRENSPICE (f, 3, Uncaptured--One Oh Eight, by Mr. Greeley) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$70,580. O-Cumberland Stable; B-Tim James Mawhinney & Karen Faye Mawhinney (FL); T-Christopher Davis. *\$27,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR; \$60,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

2nd-Fair Grounds, \$53,000, 3-16, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:46.00, ft, neck.

PLAY MO (g, 3, Mo Tom--My Queen Olivia {SW}, by Half Ours) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$54,600. O-Set-Hut LLC; B-Brandon Adcock (LA); T-Jeff Delhomme. *\$8,500 Ylg '20 OBSWIN; \$25,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

7th-Mahoning Valley, \$36,200, (S), 3-16, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13.28, ft, 1 length.

RUN BUBBA RUN (g, 4, Tidal Volume--Positive Thinker, by Storm Boot) Lifetime Record: 16-4-1-4, \$92,683. O-Smith Red Gate Farm, LLC; B-Hal Snowden (OH); T-Larry E. Smith.

1st-Penn National, \$31,976, 3-15, 3yo, 1m 70y, 1:42.46, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

NIMITZ (c, 3, Jump Start--Stormy Randie, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$52,462. B/O-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC (PA); T-Phil Schoenthal.

7th-Penn National, \$29,535, 3-15, 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:40.68, ft, 3 lengths.

MY MAN POTS N PANS (g, 7, Justin Phillip--Key Appeal, by Successful Appeal) Lifetime Record: 29-6-4-7, \$154,049. B/O-Rock Talk Farm LLC (KY); T-Kelly Rubley. *\$27,000 RNA Ylg

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8th-Turf Paradise, \$29,400, 3-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:28.10, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

COVER VERSION (m, 7, Medaglia d'Oro--Vaguely Familiar, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 36-5-6-4, \$190,238. O-5th Street Stables; B-Godolphin (KY); T-Reed Saldana. *€28,000 3yo '18 ARQDE.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mission Girl, f, 3, **Commissioner**--Brier Hill Girl, by Dark Kestrel. Mahoning Valley, 3-16, (S), 6f, 1:15.70. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-1, \$33,258. B-Raimonde Farms LTD & Beechwood Racing Stables (OH).

If You Please, f, 3, **Kitten's Joy**--Pretty Philly, by Unbridled's Song. Mahoning Valley, 3-16, 6f, 1:12.98. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,580. B-PTK, LLC (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Summer of Mischief, f, 3, **Summer Front**--Trio of Mischief, by Congrats. Tampa Bay Downs, 3-16, 5f (off turf), :58.22. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$24,510. B-Mike Bush (KY).

Paper Mansion, f, 3, **Tu Brutus (Chi)**--Gymnast Jadie, by Concord Point. Parx Racing, 3-16, (C), 6f, 1:14.12. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$27,740. B-Rose Creek Farm (KY). *\$7,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEEJAN.

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Fed Chair, g, 3, **Twirling Candy**--Fix You, by Flying Chevron. Penn National, 3-15, (S), 6f, 1:10.89. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$30,720. B-Matthew T. Groff (PA).

R Girl's Werth It, f, 3, **Uncaptured**--Valid Concorde, by Concorde's Tune. Gulfstream, 3-16, (C), 5fT, :56.93. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$43,560. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *\$60,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Seismic Jolt (**Kantharos**), SW, \$121,106.

Half Court Sam, g, 4, **Attila's Storm**--Rousanne (MSP), by Desert Party. Sunland, 3-15, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:15.50. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$24,274. B-Teed Off Stables, LLC (NM).



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Attila's Storm, Half Court Sam, g, 4, o/o Rousanne, by Desert Party. MSW, 3-15, Sunland

Commissioner, Mission Girl, f, 3, o/o Brier Hill Girl, by Dark Kestrel. MSW, 3-16, Mahoning Valley

Curlin, Clairiere, f, 4, o/o Cavorting, by Bernardini. AOC, 3-16, Fair Grounds

Jump Start, Nimitz, c, 3, o/o Stormy Randie, by Stormy Atlantic. ALW, 3-15, Penn National

Justin Phillip, My Man Pots N Pans, g, 7, o/o Key Appeal, by Successful Appeal. AOC, 3-15, Penn National

Kitten's Joy, If You Please, f, 3, o/o Pretty Philly, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 3-16, Mahoning Valley

Medaglia d'Oro, Condemn, c, 3, o/o Sentence, by **Blame**. MSW, 3-16, Fair Grounds

Medaglia d'Oro, Cover Version, m, 7, o/o Vaguely Familiar, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 3-15, Turf Paradise

Mo Tom, Play Mo, g, 3, o/o My Queen Olivia, by Half Ours. ALW, 3-16, Fair Grounds

Real Solution, Beechnut Trophy, f, 3, o/o South Sound, by Stroll. AOC, 3-16, Gulfstream

Summer Front, Summer of Mischief, f, 3, o/o Trio of Mischief, by Congrats. MSW, 3-16, Tampa Bay

Tidal Volume, Run Bubba Run, g, 4, o/o Positive Thinker, by Storm Boot. ALW, 3-16, Mahoning Valley

Tu Brutus (Chi), Paper Mansion, f, 3, o/o Gymnast Jadie, by Concord Point. MCL, 3-16, Parx Racing

Twirling Candy, Fed Chair, g, 3, o/o Fix You, by Flying Chevron. MSW, 3-15, Penn National

Uncaptured, Firenspice, f, 3, o/o One Oh Eight, by Mr. Greeley. ALW, 3-16, Gulfstream

Uncaptured, R Girl's Werth It, f, 3, o/o Valid Concorde, by Concorde's Tune. MOC, 3-16, Gulfstream

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A CHAMPION CROWNED AS A CHAMPION BOWS OUT



Tiger Roll and Delta Work over the last | PA Images

By Emma Berry

CHEL滕HAM, UK--It is a rare moment when a beaten horse elicits a more rousing reception than a winner, but then **Tiger Roll (Ire)** (Authorized {Ire}) is the rarest of beasts. An enigma sometimes, but scintillating on his many days in the sun, he retires a proper champion of a horse after giving his all for one final run in relentless rain.

Nobody could claim that the Glenfarclas Cross Country Chase is a championship race--in fact there are those who call for its exclusion from the Festival--but the quirky up-hill-down-dale marathon contest is one that has seen one of the most popular horses in training at his very best over the years. Tiger Roll has won the race three times since 2018, and going into this swansong year for one last hurrah it looked very much like the script had been read and understood. Indeed, it had been by Tiger Roll, who despite the sodden ground looked dead set on giving the Cheltenham faithful the result they longed to see. But his younger stablemate **Delta Work (Fr)** (Network {Ger}), who was promoted to favourite as the rain continued to fall, decided to play the role of party-pooper.

With Tiger Roll skipping round in his usual workmanlike manner in the hands of Davey Russell, the master of the National Hunt weighing-room, the duo led the field a merry dance through the final lap. [Cont. p2](#)



CAPACITY CROWDS EXPECTED FOR DWC NIGHT

The Mar. 26 Dubai World Cup night, which features \$30.5 million in purses spread across nine races, is expected to attract a full house of fans for the 26th edition. Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, race meetings have been conducted with restrictions placed on the number of people allowed to attend, but for the first time since 2019, there are no restrictions at a Meydan race day. Meydan Racecourse can hold up to 80,000 spectators.

Sheikh Rashid bin Dalmoock Al Maktoum, the Chairman of Dubai Racing Club, said, "We are so happy to have everyone back here for what will be a fantastic 26th running of the Dubai World Cup meeting. The atmosphere will be absolutely electrifying. The quality of the horses, trainers, owners and jockeys who have assembled is better than ever and we are looking forward to a superb day of racing with our guests from all over the world." [Cont. p8](#)

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However, danger loomed as Delta Work and Jack Kennedy came to challenge over the final flight, setting up a battle royal up the stamina-sapping run-in.

At the line, the 12-year-old Tiger Roll, a five-time winner at the Festival and a dual Grand National hero, was but a length down, giving Michael O'Leary's Gigginstown House Stud and Gordon Elliott a truly memorable quinella.

"Tiger is the horse of a lifetime and he's going to have a brilliant retirement back at Gigginstown," said Elliott as both horses were welcomed back to the winner's enclosure in tandem.

"He's been with us for nine years now, we've always had faith in him and we've really enjoyed today. Tiger made it the race it was. In one way I'm delighted with the one-two, but if

he'd won that would have been really special. But I'm delighted with him and he got the reaction he deserved."

Eight years ago, on just the third start of his life, Tiger Roll landed his first win at Cheltenham in the G1 JCB Triumph Hurdle over two miles. Three years later he took the National Hunt Chase over double the distance under Elliott's assistant Lisa O'Neill before returning 12 months on to win his first Cross Country Chase followed by his first Grand National just a month after that. He bows out having won 13 of his 44 starts, but the stats don't really do the little horse justice. The son of a Derby winner, bred for the Flat and bought initially to race for Sheikh Mohammed, he was considered surplus to requirements at Godolphin and was sold unraced for just £10,000 to Nigel Hawke, who

trained him to win on his debut before he changed stables again. [Cont. p3](#)



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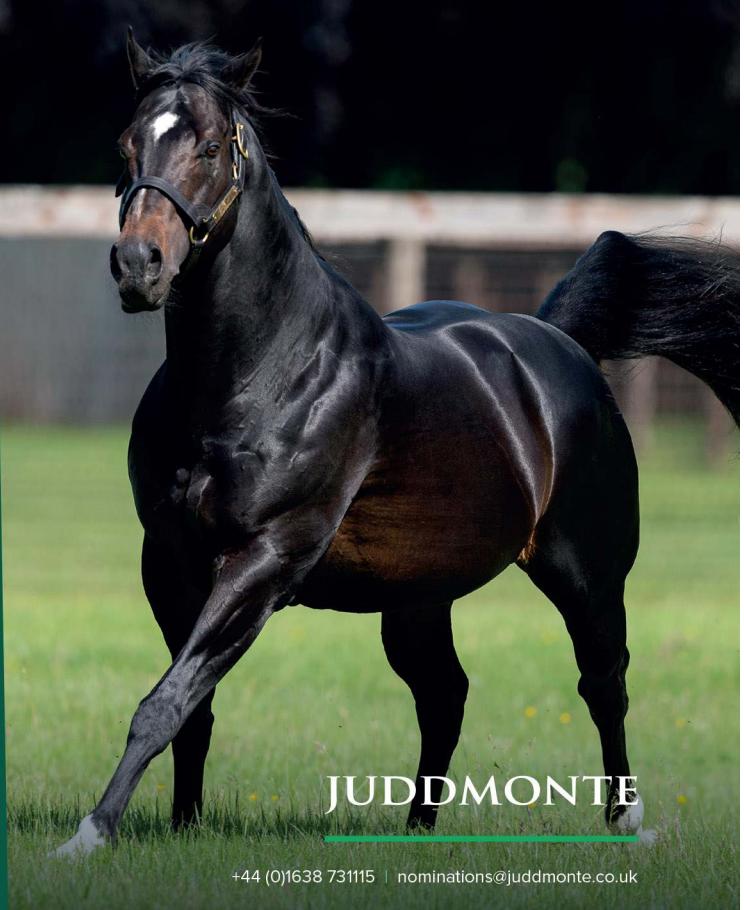
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"He is a great horse and he has got a fitting send-off," said Russell, who rode Tiger Roll to both his Grand National victories. "I always felt Jack breathing down my neck and I would say the rain and the ground just caught us out as Delta Work is very effective on that ground and I'd say Tiger is not as effective on it."

"He went down on his sword the way he deserved to go down. You can see the public are fantastic. It doesn't matter where they are from they are cheering both horses. It is such a marvellous sport we have and we are so lucky. He is just a marvellous horse."

In eight appearances at the Cheltenham Festival, Tiger Roll has finished in the first two on seven occasions to force his way into the hearts of those who make the annual pilgrimage to the Cotswolds. It will be a while before we see his like again--or hear a winning favourite booed over the line.

Mullins Leads The Irish Charge

Willie Mullins, a man as urbane as he is successful, extended his comfortable lead at the head of the Cheltenham Festival trainers' roll of honour, with another three victories on Wednesday to add to his win in Tuesday's finale. For Mullins, winning races comes as naturally as breathing, but a glaring omission in his well-rounded curriculum vitae had been the G1 Queen Mother Champion Chase. Thanks to **Energumene (Fr)** (Denham Red {Fr}) that is no longer the case.

The race had been billed as one of the clashes of the week but a variety of factors led to Wednesday's feature being as damp a squib as the racegoers dodging in and out of the rain that persisted throughout the afternoon. The ground, which was downgraded from good to soft, to soft, and then to heavy as the day wore on, was no hindrance to the winner, however, even though it apparently scuppered the chances of the only horse to have beaten him in more than two years, **Shishkin (Ire)** (Sholokhov {Ire}). **Cont. p4**



Energumene and Paul Townend win the G1 Queen Mother Champion Chase | PA Images

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Cheltenham Festival Day 2 Cont.

From the off, Energumene's main rival was never travelling and his usually exuberant jumping folded in the heavy going. Sensibly, Shishkin, who has lit up the last two Festivals with his authoritative victories in the G1 Supreme Novices' Hurdle and G1 Arkle Trophy, was pulled up by Nico de Boinville soon after the eighth fence. Disappointing but no disaster.

With another of the leading lights, **Chacun Pour Soi (Fr)** (Policy Maker {Ire}), taking a tumble five fences from home to further weaken the field, Energumene crept into contention after being hunted round toward the rear under a canny energy-saving ride from Paul Townend. He challenged eventual runner-up **Funambule Sivola (Fr)** (Noroit {Ger}) for the lead three out and thereafter the race was at his mercy, with the 8-year-old striding clear from the penultimate fence to win convincingly.

"He jumped so well, he got me into the race and I was able to fill up everywhere," said Townend after riding his second winner of the day for Mullins, who is now the most successful trainer of all time at the Festival with 82 winners to his name.



Winners By Country (Trainer):

Country	Wins
Ire	8
GB	6

Winners By Country (Bred):

Country	Wins
Ire	8
GB	3
Fr	3

"Riding a Champion Chase winner for Willie is great. Ruby [Walsh] didn't leave many behind him but we are glad to pick up what scraps he left. We were out of luck yesterday but in luck today, so that's all right and everyone's in one piece."

Jumping may be the name of the game at Cheltenham but arguably the race in which Mullins has been feared the most over the years is the G1 Weatherbys Champion Bumper, which traditionally brings the curtain down on Wednesday.

In fact, the trainer even rode his first winner of the Festival bumper, Wither Or Which (Ire), in 1996, and he has trained another 11 winners of the race since then. The most recent is doubtless one to savour as **Facile Vega (Ire)** (Walk In The Park {Ire}) is the son of a Festival darling in the six-time G1 Mares' Hurdle winner Quevega (Fr) (Robin Des Champs {Fr}).

"To me, the fact we had the dam and she was so good, and that he has come through and he looks to be as good as her is fantastic," Mullins said.

"He is very easy to train and we just keep a lid on him all the time. The only pressure I had with him was the pressure I put on myself. That's what I just see at home every day. This horse just travels and now you're seeing what I see. He really impressed me in Leopardstown and just impressed me again today. He's a real sort."

The 5-year-old Facile Vega is now unbeaten in his three starts and his owners in the Hammer & Trowel Syndicate will be hoping he can follow a similar trajectory to his stablemate and last year's Champion Bumper winner **Sir Gerhard (Ire)** (Jeremy). The Cheveley Park Stud representative has been beaten only once in his life and ensured the day started well for the Mullins team when winning the G1 Ballymore Novices' Hurdle.

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Sir Gerhard was one of two winners on the day for jockey Paul Townend | PA Images

Man On A Mission

Rumours of the death of British National Hunt racing appear to have been greatly exaggerated, certainly in the novice chasing division.

Victory for Alan King in Tuesday's Arkle with Edwardstone (GB) (Kayf Tara {GB}) was followed by another five-time winner this season, the exciting **L'Homme Presse (Fr)** (Diamond Boy {Fr}), who slogged through the mud under jockey Charlie Deutsch in the manner expected of a Venetia Williams trainee to claim the G1 Brown Advisory Novice Chase from the Lucinda Russell-trained **Ahoy Senor (Ire)** (Dylan Thomas {Ire}).

"He has been absolutely fantastic," said Williams. "All credit to Andy [Edwards, owner], who picked him out and has seen him right the way through to here. I'm just thrilled and honoured to have been the custodian of him."

She continued, "Andy was recommended him when he had had two runs in France and he had ended up with a tendon injury. He was damaged goods at that point but with most tendon injuries if you do the right thing and give them time you can get them back. He joined me just a year after that injury in the September and he didn't have his first run for us until Grand National day.

"It was a long played-out story but here we are. He is a big

horse and always looked like he was going to be a chaser. What a fabulous ride Charlie gave him, he did everything right. We can dream about anything now."

Both Williams and Russell hold the rare distinction of having trained a Grand National winner and the two trainers, one based almost in Wales and the other in Scotland, are clearly great friends.

Russell, who struck on the first day with Corach Rambler (Ire) (Jeremy) in the G3 Ultima Handicap Chase, said sportingly after finishing second, "I'm delighted for Venetia. If I'm going to get beaten by anybody I'm happy that it's Venetia."

The two women join Nicky Henderson, his former assistant Ben Pauling, and Alan King on the winners' sheet for Britain but, as widely expected, the Irish team has surged ahead after two days with eight winners on the board to the home team's six. At half-time in Cheltenham after a brutally wet day, every victory over the final two days will be hard earned.

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Charlie Deutsch celebrates aboard L'Homme Presse after taking the G1 Brown Advisory Novices' Chase | PA Images



The TDN's Alayna Cullen checks in with three-time G1 Prix de la Foret heroine One Master (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and her first foal, a chestnut colt by Dubawi (Ire). She is boarded at New England Stud. Owned by Roy and Gretchen Jackson, the bay has been covered by Frankel (GB) this season. Click above to view.

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on the European racing scene

EARTHLIGHT'S SISTER DEBUTS AT WOLVES

5.00 Southwell, Novice, £7,300, 3yo, 8f 13y (AWT)

SHARP FRANK (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**) is an intriguing newcomer for his owner-breeders Cayton Park Stud, being a son of the GII Lake Placid S. winner and GI Garden City S.-placed Sharp Susan (Touch Gold), who was a \$2-million purchase at the 2008 Fasig-Tipton Select November Mixed Sale. Andrew Balding has charge of the March-foaled half-brother to the multiple South African Group 1 winner Oh Susanna (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}) and dual Group 1-placed Signore Fox (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}).

7.30 Wolverhampton, Novice, £8,700, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f 36y (AWT)

CALLISTO MOON (GB) (**Shamardal**) is the third foal out of the G1 Fillies' Mile third Winters Moon (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), with the first being Shamardal's surprisingly speedy Earthlight (Ire) who captured the G1 Prix Morny and G1 Middle Park S. Charlie Appleby introduces the March-foaled chestnut against some experienced peers, but she will be feared from a stable whose strike-rate on the all-weather speaks for itself.

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BRITAIN

CONDITIONS RESULT:

1st-Kempton, £6,500, 3-16, 3yo, 10f 219y (AWT), 2:25.10, st/sl.
SURREY MIST (FR) (c, 3, Kendargent {Fr}—Kindly Dismiss {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Excellent Art {GB}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$9,939. O-Surrey Racing (SM) & Guy Pariente; B-Guy Pariente Holding (FR); T-George Baker. *€30,000 Ylg '20 ARQDOY.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Guilin (Ire), c, 3, Cityscape (GB)--Paradise Way (GB), by Elusive Quality. Kempton, 3-16, 8f (AWT), 1:39.85. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,380. B-Boocock Trading Ltd (IRE). *2,500gns RNA Wlg '19 TATFOA; 23,000gns Ylg '20 TATASY.

Outsmart (Ire), g, 3, Outstrip (GB)--Mi Rubina (Ire) (SP-Ger), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). Newcastle, 3-16, 8f 6y (AWT), 1:42.20. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-2, \$10,318. B-Kildaragh Stud & M Downey (IRE).

FRANCE

Wednesday's Results:

PRIX RONDE DE NUIT-Listed, €55,000, Chantilly, 3-16, 3yo, 5 1/2ft, 1:08.14, hy.

1--FEEL YOUR POWER (FR), 126, c, 3, by Captain Marvelous (Ire)
1st Dam: Flame of Fame (Fr), by Shakespearean (Ire)
2nd Dam: Fantasia (Ger), by Monsun (Ger)
3rd Dam: Fatal Attraction (Ger), by Czaravich

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Georg Kern (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall; J-Mickael Barzalona. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, €50,000.

2--Fearless Angel (Ire), 122, f, 3, Belardo (Ire)--Oddysey (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** (€5,000 2yo '21 GOFFEB; €44,000 2yo '21 ARQJUN). O-Amo Racing Limited; B-H J O'Brien & M McCallan (IRE); T-David Loughnane. €11,000.

3--Elliptic (Ire), 122, f, 3, Caravaggio--Aqua De Vida (Ire), by Fastnet Rock (Aus). O-Mrs A O'Brien & Mrs J Magnier & M Tabor & D Smith; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Donnacha O'Brien. €8,250.

Margins: NO, 5, 3/4. Odds: 9.70, 6.10, 3.70.

Also Ran: Starfix (Ire), Favourite Child (GB), Lady Fantasia (GB), Josejosephine (Fr), Dizzy Bizu (Ire), Invincible Dani (Ire).

Third in the six-furlong Listed Prix Zeddaan on similarly testing ground at Deauville in October, Feel Your Power failed to stay the seven furlong of Saint-Cloud's Listed Prix Herod the following month and trailed in last of nine. **Cont. p7**

Feel Your Power (right) | *Scoop Dyga*

Listed Prix Ronde de Nuit Cont.

However, he was in his element reverting to a speed test to open his black-type account. Sticking to the rail throughout, the imposing bay edged ahead passing two out and hit the line with the bare minimum to spare over the visitor Fearless Angel. The winner is so far the sole progeny out of the dam, who is a half to two black-type performers headed by Captain Marvelous's Forza Capitano (Fr) who captured this and was third in the G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise. [Video, sponsored by TVG](#).

PRIX MONTENICA-Listed, €55,000, Chantilly, 3-16, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.33, st.

1--LOUBEISIEN (FR), 126, c, 3, by Kheleyf

1st Dam: Lolif (Fr), by Loup Breton (Ire)

2nd Dam: Rahyna, by Rahy

3rd Dam: Lochlin Slew, by Seattle Slew

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. (€35,000 2yo '21 OSAMAY). O-Le Haras Des Sens, Ecurie Maxime Moczulski, Ecurie Mill Reef SAS & C Ferland; B-M Delaplace (FR); T-Christophe Ferland; J-Stephane Pasquier. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, €58,850.

2--Sicilian Defense (GB), 122, f, 3, Muhaarar (GB)--Manasarova, by More Than Ready. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** (€35,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP). O-Benjamin Teboul & Gemini Stud; B-SCEA Haras De Saint Pair (GB); T-Yann Barberot. €11,000.

3--Txope (Fr), 122, f, 3, Siyouni (Fr)--Power of the Moon (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). (€310,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP). O-Ecurie Griezmann; B-Haras Voltaire (FR); T-Philippe Decouz. €8,250.

Margins: 1, SHD, HD. Odds: 32.00, 11.00, 13.00.

Also Ran: Le Cadeau (GB), Rose Premium (Ire), Exigency (GB), Kinggentleman (GB), Criollo (GB), Healing Oasis (Fr), Zawaaya (GB), Scot's Grace (Ire), Kalganov (Fr).

Drawn wide, Stephane Pasquier made up his mind to attack from the outset and get the rail and Loubeisien rewarded that ploy with a front-running tour de force once he had been established on the lead after a furlong. The winner, unconsidered on the tote but who had won over a mile on soft

ground at Saint-Cloud in September and was dropping in trip after a latest fifth in the Listed Prix de la Californie over that distance on Cagnes-Sur-Mer's Polytrack Feb. 13, kicked in early straight and the closers were always chasing a lost cause after. Loubeisien is currently the only foal out of a half to the triple listed scorer Guajaraz (Fr) (Rashbag {GB}), whose family includes the G3 Negishi S. scorer Ferrari Pisa (Touch Gold). [Video, sponsored by TVG](#).

Loubeisien and his winning connections | *Scoop Dyga*

2nd-Chantilly, €27,000, Mdn, 3-16, 3yo, f, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:57.22, st. **SANTA GIULIA (FR)** (f, 3, Shala (Ire)--Alpine Rose (Fr) {G1SW-Fr, \$540,127}, by Linamix (Fr)), fourth on debut over this course and distance Feb. 15, raced wide in mid-division early. Working her way to the front with a furlong remaining, the 11-1 shot was tackled by Ela Kodi Mou (Ire) (Kodi Bear (Ire)) but found extra to prevail by a short head. The winner is currently the last known foal out of the dam, who annexed the G1 Prix Jean Romanet and G2 Prix Corrida and was second in the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud. Also the second dam of three black-type performers headed by last year's Listed Grand Prix de Clairefontaine scorer and G2 Prix de Pomone runner-up Joie De Soir (Ire) (Fastnet Rock (Aus)), she emanates from the Lagardere dynasty of Linamix's Fragrant Mix (Ire) and the G1 Queensland Oaks winner Allow (Aus) (Rahy). Sales history: €75,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €16,200. [Video, sponsored by TVG](#).

O-Ecurie Francky Defosse & Frederic Sauque; B-Ecurie des Monceaux, Ecurie Skymarc Farm & Noir Et Or Elevage SA (FR); T-Fabrice Chappet.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Wakaburn (Fr), c, 3, **Wootton Bassett (GB)**--Akasti (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire). Chantilly, 3-16, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:56.96. B-SAS Racing D & C Mongin (FR). *€90,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP; £150,000 2yo '21 ARQMAY.



EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN QATAR:

My Glory (Fr), c, 3, **Olympic Glory (Ire)**--Nawarah (GB), by Acclamation (GB). Al Rayyan, 3-16, Maiden, 1200m (dirt). B-Hassan Ali Abdulmalik. **VIDEO (SC 7)**

IN UAE:

Jumaira Bay (Fr), g, 5, **Siyouni (Fr)**--Desert Sunrise (GB), by Green Desert. Abu Dhabi, 3-14, Hcp. (AED80k), 1400mT, 1:22.84. O-Al Kamda Racing. B-SCEA Le Haras D'Haspel (Fr). T-Doug Watson. *€120,000 Ylg '18 OSASEP; €120,000 RNA 2yo '19 ARQMAY; 95,000gns RNA HRA '21 TATOCT.

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He added, "I would like to thank our partners for their support and also the team at Dubai Racing Club, who have worked so hard to bring this meeting together."

For the first time, the **Goffs Dubai Breeze-Up Sale** will be held on Mar. 23 leading up to Dubai World Cup night. The sale **will be held at Meydan Racecourse**, with the breezes conducted over the Tapeta track.

He added, "The first-ever Dubai Breeze-Up Sale is something we are all looking forward to eagerly as well, as it gives owners and connections in the region the chance to view and purchase some of the best bred 2-year-old horses in their backyard. It is something that will further cement Dubai's position as one of the main centres for racing, not just in the region, but globally too."

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