



COUNT AGAIN SOMEHOW UNDER THE RADAR IN MAKER'S MARK MILE



Count Again winning the Kilroe | Benoit

by Alan Carasso

The owner of some very solid **West Coast** form, **Count Again** (Awesome Again) nevertheless projects to be at least a little bit forgotten from a pari-mutuel perspective in a high-class renewal of the GI Maker's Mark Mile, the Good Friday feature at Keeneland.

A maiden winner during this track's fall meet in 2019 when under the care of Neil Howard, the bay won the 10-furlong GIII Singspiel S. for trainer Gail Cox in 2020, but has been kept between eight and nine panels since being switched to the barn of Phil D'Amato. Victorious in Del Mar's GII Seabiscuit H. in his first start for the new outfit at the tail end of that season, Count Again was third in last year's GI F.E. Kilroe S. and GII Eddie Read S., but was freshened off a last-of-five effort in the GII Del Mar Mile S. The break has seemed to do the trick, as he proved narrowly best first off the layoff in the GIII Thunder Road S. Feb. 5 and flew home to take this year's Kilroe Mar. 5.

Flavien Prat was in the boot for Count Again's two most recent successes, but the recently relocated rider will get a leg up from trainer Chad Brown on Juddmonte's European invader **Masen (GB)** (**Kingman (GB)**).

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'SPEAKER' LATEST TO CRY FREEDOM FOR SIRE-LINE by Chris McGrath

Not quite nailing the GI Kentucky Derby with **Essential Quality (Tapit)** felt like one of very few omissions from a spectacular 2021 for Godolphin on both sides of the Atlantic. And while it seems that Sheikh Mohammed must wait at least another year to satisfy that particular craving, his team certainly won't have felt too marginalized during the coast-to-coast sequence of rehearsals that gripped our attention last Saturday. Because they now know for a fact that they have one of the outstanding talents of the previous crop in **Speaker's Corner (Street Sense)**, whose spectacular performance in the GI Carter H.--one of four graded stakes winners on the weekend for Godolphin--represented an unmistakable coming of age.

A 114 Beyer set a formal seal on that breakout, as the highest of the year so far, but it's been clear for a while that a Bill Mott master class is coming together with the maturity of Speaker's Corner. **Cont. p3**

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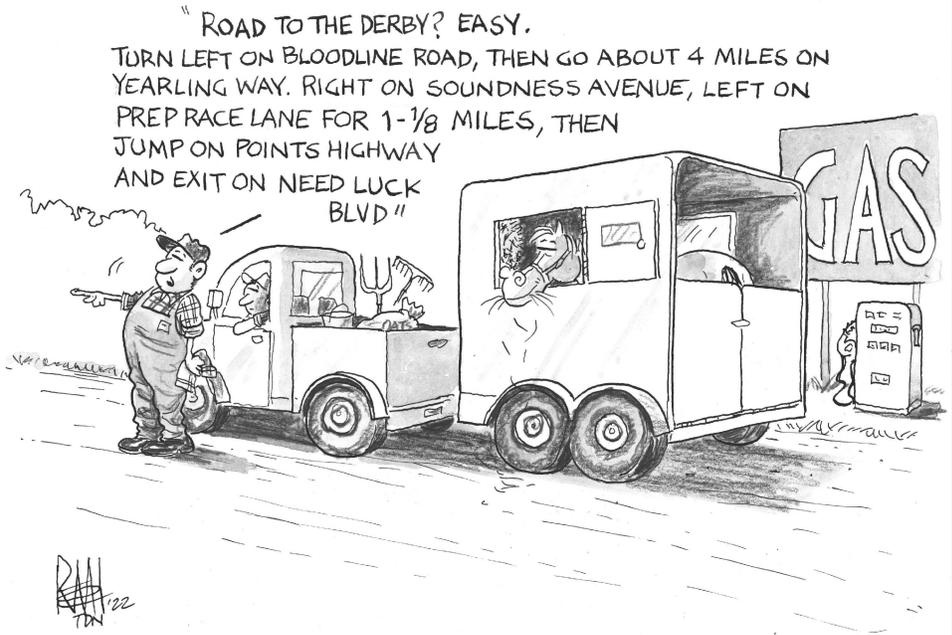
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DERBY DREAMS COME IN DUE TIME **8**

Saturday's GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. is the last-chance saloon for sophomores to try to punch a ticket to the GI Kentucky Derby in three weeks' time, and In Due Time (*Not This Time*) has a legitimate shot at making an appearance in Louisville. Katie Petrunyak has the story.

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Maker's Mark Mile cont. from p1

A maiden winner and third in the G3 Tyros S. for Ger Lyons at two, the maternal grandson of Intercontinental (GB) (Danehill) faced elders in all three starts last term, winning the valuable Sovereign Path H. on Irish Champions Day at Leopardstown Sept. 11 ahead of a front-running tally in the Listed Knockaire S. Oct. 23, both over seven furlongs. It will be interesting to see if he is quick enough to lead this group.

Smooth Like Strait (Midnight Lute) also invades from the Golden State to launch his 5-year-old campaign. Never out of the top three in 2020, his lone victory came in all-the-way fashion in the GI Shoemaker Mile in May, but he was unlucky not to add to that total when runner-up and beaten a half-length or less on five occasions, including when making the majority of the running in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile.

The commonly owned Agnes Gold (Jpn) duo of **In Love (Brz)** and **Ivar (Brz)** each have earned Grade I plaudits over this course. In Love came with a stinging stretch rally beneath Alex Achard to cause a 12-1 upset of last October's Keeneland Turf Mile, but was farther back on Breeders' Cup day and rallied mildly to be seventh. Ivar won the 2020 Shadwell Mile and was a keen fourth in defense of his title last fall before settling much better and kicking home nicely to be third at longshot odds in the Breeders' Cup, a length behind Smooth Like Strait.

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Speaker's Corner cont. from p1

In his two previous starts he had extended his superiority over runner-up Fearless (Ghostzapper) from just over a length in the GIII Fred W. Hooper S., to 5 1/2 lengths in the GII Gulfstream Park Mile. Dropping back in trip at Aqueduct, he showed high energy throughout to dominate a solid field by 4 1/2 lengths, volunteering himself as a third dimension to the showdown everyone wants to see between Flightline (Tapit) and Life Is Good (Into Mischief). If all three happen to converge on the GI Met Mile, then the Triple Crown series may have to produce something pretty special to keep open the status of Horse of the Year.

The blossoming of Speaker's Corner will be all the more gratifying to the Jonabell team because his pedigree is royal blue top and bottom. The solitary dissent on the farm may come from **Maxfield (Street Sense)**, who's entitled to feel nervous about a future rival bred on the same cross with such an abundance of commercial speed.

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Regardless, it's good to see their sire now giving himself every chance of extending a line that for a while had a fairly tenuous look. To start with, he had appeared to emulate his own father Street Cry (Ire) by majoring in fillies. Without **Street Sense** himself, who famously exorcized the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile curse in the 2007 Derby, the legacy of Street Cry (Ire) would have been uncomfortably vested in his female legends Zenyatta and Winx (Aus). (Albeit **Street Boss**, also at Jonabell, has proved a stalwart at his level). And while **Street Sense** did come up with Hallowed Crown (Aus) and one or two others in Australia, his first five Grade I winners in the U.S. were fillies and he had to wait until his seventh crop for **McKinzie** to start redressing the balance.

But now **Street Sense** is finally scraping out a promising foothold in Kentucky for the extension of the line. Next year Speaker's Corner will presumably jump into the slipstream of **McKinzie** and **Maxfield**, respectively launched over the past two

years at \$30,000 and \$40,000 by Gainesway and Jonabell.

If this momentum feels pretty timely for a stallion now 18-years-old, then we must remember how he was obliged to regroup after being loaned to Darley Japan in 2014, when at a real crossroads of his career.

(Having also shuttled to Australia five times early on, **Street Sense** has a pretty tattered passport).

Fair enough, the Japanese migration he shared with **Hard Spun** served a valid wider agenda for their owner. And it actually created a lasting opportunity for Kentucky breeders in one of the last sons of Danzig: **Hard Spun**, standing at \$60,000 before he left for Hokkaido, resumed here at just \$35,000 and is again standing at that fee in 2022. But while **Hard Spun** at least matches



Speaker's Corner | Sarah Andrew

the lifetime ratios of his buddy, across all indices, **Street Sense** will nowadays cost you more than double at \$75,000.

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That's how precious was the emergence of both **McKinzie** and **Maxfield** to win Grade I races at two. **Hard Spun's** diverse portfolio, in contrast, has seldom extended to precocity. As such, it reflects very well on **Street Sense** that both those horses, having unfortunately been sidelined during the Classics, continued to do so well in maturity. (**McKinzie** even persevered into a fourth campaign, albeit with mixed results).



Maxfield | Coady

Just like **Maxfield**, Speaker's Corner represents a deferred reward for the expensive recruitment of an aristocratic granddam. **Maxfield** is out of a daughter of Caress (Storm Cat), a \$3.1 million graft from a Harbor View family at Keeneland in November 2000; while Speaker's Corner is the belated yield on an even bigger investment at Fasig-Tipton seven years later.

Round Pond (Awesome Again) entered that ring after a truncated third campaign, having won the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff by 5 1/2 lengths at Churchill in 2006. In giving as much as \$5.75 million, Sheikh Mohammed perhaps felt a sentimental hook in her kinship to one of the more charismatic European colts to have carried his original, maroon-and-white silks.

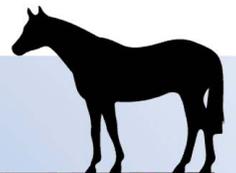
Round Pond's mother, who was by the stamina influence Trempolino, had failed to break her maiden in 10 attempts, but the next dam Coral Dance (Fr) (Green Dancer) had not only been Group 1-placed as a juvenile in France but also produced no fewer than three elite scorers. Her second named foal was Nasr El Arab (Al Nasr {Fr}), a group winner in France exported to California where he harvested four Grade Is, three on turf and one on muddy dirt. At the other end of her breeding career, 13 years later, she produced a top miler for Ballydoyle in Black Minnaloushe (Storm Cat), winner of the G1 Irish 2,000 Guineas/G1 St James's Palace S. In between, however, she had produced the memorable Pennekamp, a champion juvenile for

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Andre Fabre before winning a famous duel with the odds-on Celtic Swing (GB) (Damister) for the G1 2000 Guineas. Pennekamp proceeded to the Derby as hot favourite, but finished down the field and was not seen again. Sadly his stud career was also an anti-climax, and he ended up covering jumping mares in Ireland at €3,000.

As a half-sister to those three elite winners, Coral Dance's daughter by Trempolino was threatening to prove as mediocre in her second career as she had been in her first, and she was sold for \$20,000 at Keeneland November in 2004. By then she was 15, and unfortunately the foal she was then carrying turned out to be her last-meaning that her new owners could not profit when her unraced 2-year-old filly by Awesome Again, much her best cover, emerged the following year to win the GI Acorn S. and then at the Breeders' Cup.

Round Pond's lucrative transfer to Darley represented a huge return for Fox Hill Farms, John Servis having signed for her as a \$105,000 yearling. (Unfortunately for Servis, she was later switched to Michael Matz). After that kind of outlay, Round Pond was obviously guaranteed commensurate coverings, but she evidently had her troubles and was confined to the sporadic production of six named foals.

She made a fair start with Long River (A.P. Indy), a longshot third behind **Tonalist (Tapit)** in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup

before serving in Dubai as a veteran, actually coming up trumps in a G1 Maktoum Challenge at the age of seven. And her final foal by Dubawi (Ire) won at Saratoga last summer and is still chipping away at black type (one podium to date) at the age of five. Her **Tapit** was gelded after failing to build on a promising start, while two daughters by Bernardini never even made it to the starting gate. **Cont. p7**



Street Sense | Darley

Julio Pezua & Family

Julio Pezua was injured in a spill last week during training at Belmont Park. Julio sustained multiple spinal fractures and is still at Winthrop Hospital. He has a long road to recovery and will need a lot of therapy. With all that, Julio maintains a great attitude and a contagious smile with his family by his side. For those that remember, Julio started riding in this country in 1985 at Calder. He last rode races in 2018 and has continued on as an amazing breeze rider. Julio has ridden over 12,000 races and has over 1300 wins with his biggest win on Dixie Brass in the Met Mile.

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Speaker's Corner cont.

Now all was not yet lost, clearly, for this pair. A Bernardini filly out of a Breeders' Cup winner by Awesome Again is about as resonant a formula as you can find, in terms of distaff branding. And one, Tyburn Brook, has promptly salvaged the whole investment in her dam by producing Speaker's Corner as her very first foal.

He must always have been a standout, as the Jonabell team doubled down and sent Tyburn Brook straight back to **Street Sense**. Actually the resulting sophomore, Town Branch, was also in action last Saturday, stepping up on his debut to run fourth in a Keeneland maiden. Tyburn Brook has since delivered colts by **Maclean's Music** and **Nyquist**.

And while Mott is hardly known for detonating newcomers, on debut Speaker's Corner was made odds-on in a sprint on the last day of Saratoga's "ghost" meet in 2020. Third that day, he then won a Belmont maiden that in hindsight warranted graded status: chased home by GI Arkansas Derby runner-up Caddo River (**Hard Spun**), GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth winner Greatest Honour (**Tapit**) and GI **Runhappy** Travers S. third Miles D (**Curlin**), with GII Wood Memorial S. winner Bourbonic (Bernardini) down the field on debut.

In a vexing coincidence, Speaker's Corner followed **Maxfield** and **McKinzie** in having to sit out the Triple Crown and was relaunched with an allowance win back at Saratoga. He took a backwards step in the GI Pennsylvania Derby and it was a similarly fitful story in New York last fall, when he blew apart an allowance field before being run down late over a ninth furlong. As we said at the outset, however, everything now seems to have fallen into place.

There's no question that the **Street Sense** legacy is a precious one with its elusive balance of brilliance and staying power. The brilliance is perhaps rooted in the dam of Street Cry's sire Machiavellian, Coup De Folie (Halo), who was a pretty smart miler herself but above all a genetic powder keg: the great Almahmoud matches up her daughters Natalma and Cosmah respectively as Coup De Folie's second dam and mother of Halo. But there's also plenty of dash along **Street Sense**'s bottom line. Fourth dam Lianga (Dancer's Image) was a top-class sprinter in Europe, while his second dam is a half-sister to both Mr. Greeley (Gone West) and the granddam of Vekoma-whose own Carter success, a couple of years ago, arguably qualifies him as the briskest son of **Candy Ride (Arg)**.

This dynasty has also produced a couple of very quick horses in Europe, but is leavened by some sturdy Classic influences. Machiavellian sired Street Cry from an Irish Oaks winner by Troy (GB); and **Street Sense** himself is out of a Dixieland Band mare, though again she was another to have run rather quicker than the label (just missed black-type in sprints on both surfaces).

Obviously this brings Natalma back into the equation through her son Northern Dancer, as sire of Dixieland Band.

As we've already seen, the family of Speaker's Corner has itself been repeatedly seeded with two-turn depth: first four dams by Bernardini, Awesome Again, Trempolino and Green Dancer. But he has plainly drawn pretty lavishly on the strands of speed behind his sire. In other words, he will have something for everybody in his next job.

Street Sense capped off his Saturday with slow-burning sophomore Whelen Springs at Oaklawn becoming his 73rd domestic black-type scorer. These include 30 at graded level and eight (plus four in Australia) in the top tier. Bernardini, for his part, is now up to 14 Grade I winners already as a historically precocious broodmare sire.

One final footnote: among all the credit owing to the Sheikh's team, don't overlook the wit with which he was named. His dam Tyburn Brook was named for a stream, nowadays subterranean, through Hyde Park in London; and the combination with **Street Sense** prompted Speaker's Corner, as a longstanding platform for amateur "soapbox" orators in Hyde Park.

But it goes without saying that this horse is the result of some rather more important calls, from the choice of Tyburn Brook's first date to the forbearance of Mott. With such good people in his corner, here's a speaker only now warming to his theme.

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DERBY DREAMS COME IN DUE TIME

by Katie Petrunyak



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The GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. offers the last round of qualifying points for the GI Kentucky Derby on May 7 and the connections of GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth runner-up **In Due Time** (**Not This Time**) are still Derby dreaming.

Their 3-year-old chestnut colt has never been off the board in his four career starts and has already earned 20 qualifying points from his second-place finish in the Fountain of Youth. He would still need the 20 points awarded to the Lexington S. winner in order to get a chance at seeing the Kentucky Derby starting gate, but trainer Kelly Breen is confident going into Saturday's race.

"We've had some not-so-great weather here at Keeneland, but he has adapted well," Breen said. "Last week he breezed at Keeneland over a track labeled muddy. It wasn't the fastest of workouts, it was just a maintenance, but since he's been here he has been doing well."

With Paco Lopez aboard, In Due Time drew post two in a field of 11 entered in the 1 1/16-mile contest.

"We'll leave it up to Paco," Breen said when asked how he would like to see the race to play out. "Ideally I'd like to see him forwardly placed because if we ask him for speed, I think he will have the speed. I'd rather not see him get trapped in, but he ran well in a race where he came from off the pace and stayed on the rail saving ground. Whatever it's going to be, we're in Paco's hands."

In Due Time was a \$95,000 2-year-old purchase for Edge Racing, a spinoff of MyRacehorse designed to replicate a more traditional racing partnership. Edge Racing's Joe Moran and Nick Hines picked out the colt at the 2021 OBS April Sale after their partnership enjoyed success that same year with another son of **Not This Time**, Yes This Time.

"Yes This Time was Edge Racing's second purchase overall, so we had a little bit of comfort there in going with another **Not This Time**," Moran explained. "In Due Time just looked like an athlete to us and we got him at an affordable price."

In Due Time was sent to Breen's barn at Monmouth Park where he was stabled next to none other than Yes This Time.

"They were two peas in a pod," Breen said. "They were both just happy to be around."

Yes This Time won the GIII Kent S. at Delaware Park in July and just a few weeks later, In Due Time broke his maiden on debut.

Breen opted to give the colt time off after the win and he resurfaced at Gulfstream in January. He ran third coming off the layoff in a six-furlong allowance, but flourished when given added distance in his next start going a mile, traveling from mid-pack to get the win by almost six lengths.

"He is a horse that thrives for a little bit more distance," Breen explained. "It was only a one-turn mile, but he showed his ability to relax and rate and he had a pretty good punch."

The flashy win caught the eye of several more racing partnerships and before the colt's next start, Medallion Racing and Parkland Thoroughbreds had also joined in the ownership.

In Due Time finished second in an eventful GII Fountain of Youth, where his rider, Paco Lopez, was later **suspended** for 14 days for careless riding after In Due Time shifted out in the stretch and two jockeys were unseated from their mounts. Breen chose to give his trainee additional recovery time after seeing how the colt came out of the Derby prep.

"It was the first time where I saw that he was a little tired," Breen said. "He did bounce back within 48 hours, but he's a very on, sort of motivated horse and he was a little knocked out after the race. I know if we were to run well in the Lexington that it's only three weeks until the Derby, but the extended time that he had in between his last race and this race is going to help him perform better."

In Due Time will be well-supported on Saturday with 25 owners, along with their friends and family, cheering him on at Keeneland.

"We have people coming in from California, Florida, New York and Chicago so it's really cool to see all these people meet up all due to one horse," Moran said. "Any time we get to compete in these big races--and fingers crossed a win could get us in the Derby-- there's nothing more fun than that and to celebrate with more people is even better."

Perhaps as an added bit of luck, Edge Racing has a second starter at Keeneland this weekend. Escape Route (**Hard Spun**) was the partnership's first purchase in 2020 and ships in from California to run in the finale on Saturday's card.

In Due Time cont.

Edge Racing was launched in November of 2020 with the goal providing a more in-depth experience for owners buying into a larger ownership stake.

“Edge Racing is more like your traditional syndicate,” Moran explained. “95% of our owners started with MyRacehorse and it's cool to see them take that next step forward. This is our first journey on the Derby trail and it's exciting to be able to do it after such a short period of time.”

Kelly Breen is no stranger to the Triple Crown trail, with his top runners including 2011 GI Belmont S. winner Ruler on Ice (Roman Ruler) and 2011 Kentucky Derby contender and MGSW Pants on Fire (Jump Start), but he can't hide his excitement at the prospect of another Kentucky Derby starter.

“It's been a few years since I have been back,” he admitted. “My kids have never asked about races before, but they are asking if we are we going to the Derby this year. There is nothing here in Kentucky like the Kentucky Derby. Regardless of if we make it to the Derby or not, I believe that he's a nice horse and we'd like to have some fun with him and run in some nice races.”

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“AND WE'RE OFF!!!!!! Once again, the Empire Racing Club is off and running for another new year of New York Thoroughbred racing," said ERC Managing Partner Tom Durkin. "The Empire Racing Club makes possible to members the thrill of owning a race horse and being part of the game with a behind the scenes experience. The Club will have a number of runners to follow this year. It's what we call 'action'. See you in the winner's circle!"

Similarly to last season, ERC members receive regular updates about their horses via conference call, email and social media. The Club will offer the opportunity to visit the backstretch for morning training and the paddock when the ERC horses run, and will host dedicated ERC events.

“The new season will continue to feature the ERC Educational ZOOM Series in addition to the popular Race Day Events at NYRA tracks,” said ERC Coordinator Christina Bossinakis. “New for this year, the ERC will craft initiatives to offer interested members the opportunity to dip their toe into various levels of ownership, including the claiming game. Whether the goal is to enjoy the social scene, take advantage of the educational aspects or to gain a stake in the game, there will be something for everyone.”

Spearheaded by the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) in 2019, the ERC is a non-profit organization designed to introduce new fans to racehorse ownership.

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CAIRO PRINCE, LOPE DE VEGA FILLIES SHARE OBS BULLET THURSDAY *by Jessica Martini*

The fifth session of the under-tack show for next week's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training, suspended just under three hours by heavy rain, produced a pair of :9 4/5 bullet breezers, while two juveniles shared the fastest quarter-mile time of :21 flat Thursday in Central Florida.

First to hit the bullet time of :9 4/5 once action resumed around noon Thursday at OBS was a daughter of **Cairo Prince** (*hip 839*) out of the unraced Nippy (Pulpit). The gray filly is a half-sister to graded stakes winner Gibberish (*Lea*). She is

consigned by Hal Hatch's Halcyon Hammock Farm and was purchased by Hatch for \$62,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.



Hip 859 | *Judit Seipert*

Also working in :9 4/5 during the same set was **hip 859**, an Irish-bred daughter of Lope de Vega (Ire) out of stakes winner and multiple group placed Only Mine (Ire) (Pour Moi {Ire}). Purchased by West Bloodstock for €250,000 at last year's Goffs Orby sale, she is consigned to the Spring sale by Niall Brennan Stables.

“I never expect :9 and change, but I expected her to work well,” said Niall Brennan, who is consigning the juvenile on behalf of a client. “She prepped well and she looks fast. She looks like a turf sprinter. And she's very honest. She's a nice, average-sized, strong well-made filly with great balance. And she's an efficient mover.” **Cont. p11**

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OBS Under-Tack Thursday cont.

Hip 859 is one of 10 Irish-bred offerings in the Spring sale. Brennan said an increased focus on turf racing in the U.S. should make the filly appealing to domestic buyers.

"The stallion is so good--he's a top stallion in Europe--and the mare is young and she could run," Brennan said of the filly's pedigree. "Turf racing is very popular now in America, too. There is a lot more turf racing, even for 2-year-olds, and the money is great, especially in Kentucky and New York. I don't think people are really that afraid to buy turf horses anymore, even at the 2-year-old sales. If you win a stake and you're in that winner's circle, it doesn't matter if it's a turf race or a dirt race, you're just as happy."

Hip 851, a colt from the first crop of GI Belmont S. winner **Tapwrit**, shared Thursday's quarter-mile bullet time of **:21 flat**. Consigned by Eddie Woods, the gray juvenile is out of Oh Kay See (Notional), a half-sister to Grade I winner So Many Ways (Sightseeing). He was purchased by Quarter Pole Enterprises for \$100,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton July sale.

Pick View LLC sent out a filly by Dortmund (**hip 864**) to also work the quarter-mile in **:21 flat**. The chestnut is out of Our Conquistadora (Wilburn), a half-sister to graded placed Augment (Aptitude). She was purchased by Thorostock for \$25,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall sale.

The breeze show, which was suspended shortly after 9 a.m. Thursday, resumed just before noon and concluded by 4 p.m., but conditions remained good throughout the day, according to Brennan.



Niall Brennan | Fasig-Tipton photo

"There was a lot of rain, which kind of surprised everybody," he said. "Looking at the forecast last night, there was nothing about it and then suddenly this morning we were all seeing this come in. We got some of the breeze show in and they made the right call to suspend it. It got heavy and there were

thunderstorms. It rained for a good hour, hour and a half. There was a lot of water, but they gave the track a chance to drain, they harrowed it. It's an amazing surface that they had that much rain and half an hour after it stopped we were back breezing. The track was in excellent condition."

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

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NEW DETAILS EMERGE IN LAOBAN SUIT

by Bill Finley

The *Louisville Courier-Journal* is reporting that Laoban (**Uncle Mo**)'s death last year resulted after the stallion was injected with a cocktail of vitamins and minerals they called the "Black Shot," which was meant to increase his interest in breeding after he struggled to cover mares toward the end of the season.

The *Courier-Journal* based much of its reporting on insurance documents it obtained regarding the death of the stallion that stood at WinStar Farm. Part-owners Cypress Creek Equine and Southern Equine Stables filed suit last month in Fayette Circuit Court in an effort to have the insurance company, The North America Specialty Insurance Company (NAS), pay off a claim they submitted after the horse died.

In March, it was reported that Cypress Creek Equine, LLC was suing the insurance company for an undisclosed sum that includes mortality coverage, compensatory damages, court costs and attorney fees.

NAS has alleged that three of the four substances given to Laoban had been administered after their expiration date and that one of them had expired nearly nine years ago. The insurance company has charged that the "acts, errors and omissions" of attending veterinarian Dr. Heather Wharton were a matter of failing to provide proper care for the horse and that she took risks not covered in the policy.

"WinStar has been in the Thoroughbred business for over 20 years," WinStar CEO and President Elliott Walden said in a statement to the paper. "Laoban's passing was a traumatic experience and felt by everyone at the farm. As we stated at the time, insurance companies in general have a self-serving interest in denying claims and blaming others. We resolved by mutual agreement any concerns that were brought to us and closed the chapter of this tragic loss a long time ago."

Citing the insurance documents, the *Courier-Journal* reported that Laoban mounted three mares on May 22, 2021, but "failed to finish his job" and failed again the following day when matched with two more mares. **Cont. p12**



Laoban | Sarah Andrew

He was treated with the shot the next day and, according to the insurance company, died within minutes of being given the injection. The incident was on videotape.

Laoban was eight at the time of his death. He entered stud in New York at Sequel Stallions for a fee of \$7,500, but was relocated to WinStar based largely on the performance of his first crop to the races in 2020. That group included Simply Ravishing, the winner of the 2020 GI Darley Alcibiades S. He also sired Grade II winner and multiple Grade I-placed Keepmeinmind.

Sequel Stallions' owner Becky Thomas, who retained partial ownership of Laoban after WinStar became its syndicate manager in October 2020, told the *Courier-Journal* that the stallion's death was a "very unfortunate accident." She confirmed she had settled with WinStar.

Laoban's stud fee was increased to \$25,000 upon the move to WinStar. He sired 219 registered foals. He was bred to 126 mares in 2021.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JENINE SAHADI

Since the FBI announced in 2020 that their years-long federal investigation into cheating allegations in horse racing had caught admitted "doper" Jorge Navarro, suspected "doper" Jason Servis and a host of other co-conspirators, the lines separating these criminals and most of the rest of the industry's participants with largely minor legal drug positives have been significantly blurred.

Fast forward to the 2021 Kentucky Derby, a full 14 months after Navarro and Servis were arrested and charged with federal conspiracy charges related to drugging of their horses, social media erupted with rumors that Medina Spirit had tested positive for a "banned substance." The information leaked just days after his victory and seemingly before the colt's trainer, Bob Baffert, had been notified there was a post-race positive.

From that time until now, much of the information that has trickled out has come mostly from speculation or been based on half truths and information twisted to suit a negative agenda. Rarely have details involving Medina Spirit been based on fact. Factor in the press tour Bob Baffert went on defending himself and his position that nothing nefarious was in play--for better or worse--and the perfect storm had developed.

Baffert's record as a trainer--which by industry standards has been cleaner, safer and better than most--was attacked, twisted and manipulated. His personal life--especially his wife and children--came under an all-out assault and was subject to a sea of the most horrific hate imaginable. None of which had anything to do with a post-race positive of a legal therapeutic medication in the Kentucky Derby.

My history with Bob Baffert is well-documented and I haven't always been his biggest fan. However, I knew, in all likelihood, the people saying those things had never met the man. Strangers unconcerned by what it actually means to be a "doper" or "cheater" hurled those epithets as if they actually knew him not only as a person, but also as a trainer.

That said, my disdain for the behavior of his harshest critics is clear and I continue to have the same questions. What is the definition of a cheater? What does it mean?

In what has been one of the most bizarre scenes I've ever witnessed, racing media, political actors, paid social media trolls, disgruntled bettors, along with powerful horsemen's groups and others have perpetuated or fostered a false "Lance Armstrong" narrative about Baffert. They compare Medina Spirit's overage of a legal therapeutic medication to actual blood doping and cheating. I don't really understand why, though I have my suspicions, and for the life of me I cannot fathom how he became the worst thing about horse racing.

Perhaps if we define what a "cheater" or "doper" is, reckless and uninformed attacks on trainers would stop. Educating the media and public on what constitutes cheating versus what is an unintentional overage of a therapeutic medication might actually be a positive development for horse racing. Instead, the industry sits idly by as shows like Saturday Night Live call betamethasone, a medication the industry allows and regulates, to be portrayed as a performance enhancing anabolic steroid. There is never any industry pushback on false narratives.

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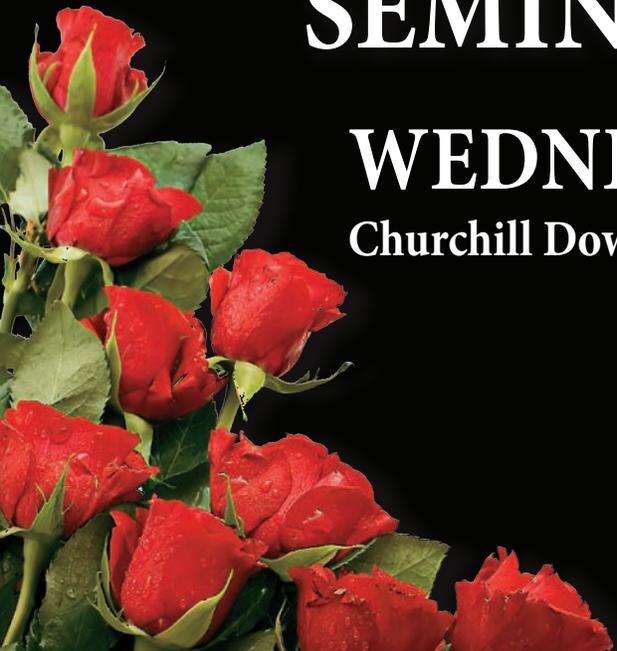
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We have heard from racing's leadership organizations and also from the federal government that untestable drugs may be in use daily. This may be true, although we have yet to see any proof of it up to this point. In the meantime, we have allowed anti-horse racing activists and those who want to end horse racing altogether to spew damaging lies and perpetuate false narratives. These extremists don't hold everyone to the same standards. In fact, some trainers with multiple significant violations seem to get a pass, while others are vilified.

What do I mean by not holding everyone to the same standards? For example, are multiple class 4C positives (e.g. betamethasone) as harmful as one Class 2 (e.g. metformin) positive? Is it a recency equation? If so, are multiple class 4C positives more harmful to both the horse and the image of racing in the public eye than one Class 2 positive? Are we certain that class 4C positives are "masking" more powerful drugs like EPO, as some allege, and if that's the case, where is the science to support that? Where did this narrative originate? Even more confusing to me is why we even have classifications if we are going to lump all positives into the "doping" narrative? What purpose do the classifications serve, if not to protect the horse and integrity of the game in general?

For years, many of the industry's participants, including myself, have been begging the decision makers for uniform rules and penalties in all racing jurisdictions. This would certainly solve the double-standard issue. It is a daunting task for sure, but certainly one worth the effort from industry leaders--those actually in a position to be heard and effect change in the best interests of the industry. So why hasn't it happened? We have literally had decades to get our ducks in a row and those with the most strength, power, and influence have continued to bury their heads in the sand, or alternatively, added fuel to the fire that is swiftly burning down our industry.

That's not to say all leaders have ignored the issues.

In California, for example, horses are now routinely subject to the most exhaustive pre-race medication and soundness exams in the country. Out-of-competition and thorough testing has become standard and, in rare cases, trainers are being cited for drug overages in workout tests. Is there any other jurisdiction in the country that demands the same strict level of oversight and protocols that California does? If there is, I certainly don't know about it.

California doesn't get sufficient credit from the industry in this area. Critics appearing more concerned with field size than the safety of horses bang the loudest drum to drown out the state's accomplishments. We know equine safety can only help to grow field sizes, as well as, positive public perception. Again, racing industry leadership--or a lack thereof--has played a major role in getting us to this point.

Social media, mainstream and horse racing media, and "experts", who harbor their own animosity for individuals and the industry, have taken us to a very dark place. Anonymous accounts on social media aim to destroy who and what they don't like. Anyone who presents a rational argument supported with facts is labeled an apologist or far worse. I personally know people who have received death threats. Others have been told they've had background checks run on them. Many have had profane slurs hurled at them. Some of these folks shouting the same vitriol every day are provided cover and support by leadership groups and members of the media who claim to be impartial and to want what's best for the industry. Attacks on owners, who have for decades lost their money with a smile on their face, have ramped up, as well. I will never be convinced this is a good strategy in the short or long run, yet here we are, with many passionate and well intentioned owners accused of being complicit criminals. Interesting to note that the attackers usually have their own set of immoral behaviors that fly under the radar, but hypocrisy is in full view in 2022.

I don't know where this all ends, but I believe if we can't answer the simplest of questions, like what defines a cheater, or work to achieve uniform rules and regulations throughout the industry, then we are doomed. Change is needed, but we can't allow uninformed critics and activists, who would love nothing more than the collapse of racing to win.

The same standards need to be applied equally for all, in every jurisdiction, from coast to coast. In California, the lessons learned over the past few years have been plentiful. To the racing associations' credit they actually did something--many things--to help the horses and the industry as a whole. Meanwhile, virtually every other jurisdiction continues the status quo while hoping that the frenzy surrounding Bob Baffert will distract from their own breakdown rates and medication violations. Oddly enough, some states have almost no medication violations. Other states should learn from California's mistakes and implement the changes they made to move the industry in a positive direction for a change.

Bob Baffert isn't horse racing's problem, no matter how many times anonymous trolls armed with hatred and half-truths say so on Twitter. Cue the mob.

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PHBA RELEASES 2022 STATE-BRED STAKES SCHEDULE

The Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association has released the 2022 stakes schedule for state-bred horses with 27 stakes to be run at Pennsylvania tracks throughout the year totaling over \$4 million.

The stakes action kicks off Apr. 25 at Parx Racing with two seven-furlong \$100,000 races for older horses: the Unique Bella for fillies and mares, and the Page McKenney H. Seven \$100,000 stakes will be carded on Pennsylvania Day at the Races Aug. 22 at Parx, including the first two events of the inaugural 2-year-old PA-Sired PA-Bred Stallion Series. The 2-year-old sire series continues on Parx's Pennsylvania Derby Day card Sept. 24 with the \$200,000 Prince Lucky S. and Imly S. Also carded are two \$200,000 races for older horses, the Plum Pretty for fillies and mares and the Alphabet Soup H. on the turf.

New on the calendar is the \$100,000 Jump Start S. for Pennsylvania-sired and bred older horses over seven furlongs Oct. 18 at Parx. Presque Isle Downs will host five \$100,000 PA-bred stakes starting in July. Penn National's Penn Mile card June 3 includes four \$100,000 Pennsylvania-bred stakes. In late November, Penn National is once again the host track for the \$200,000 Shamrock Rose for juvenile fillies. The final stakes on the schedule is the \$200,000 Pennsylvania Nursery at Parx.

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OKLAHOMA TRAINING TRACK OPENS SATURDAY

The Oklahoma Training Track at Saratoga will open for training Saturday, Apr. 16, NYRA announced Thursday. The barn area at the Oklahoma will open to licensed trainers and staff beginning Friday, Apr. 15. Prior to the opening of the 2022 summer meet July 14, the Whitney Viewing Stand will be open to the public on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays beginning Friday, Apr. 29 from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. The Whitney Viewing Stand is accessible through Gate 21 on East Avenue and is free of charge.

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AQUEDUCT TO REMAIN OPEN FOR SIMULCASTING FOLLOWING MEET *Edited Press Release*

The New York Racing Association Inc (NYRA) has announced that Aqueduct Racetrack will remain open for simulcasting on live race days during the upcoming Belmont Park spring/summer meet, which begins Apr. 28 and continues through July 10

Beginning Thursday, Apr. 28, fans can access the second floor of Aqueduct to watch and wager on racing action from Belmont Park and tracks across the country. In accordance with the live racing schedule at Belmont, Aqueduct will be open for simulcasting Thursday through Sunday, apart from certain holiday weekends when racing is conducted Friday through Monday at Belmont Park.

Aqueduct will open to patrons at 11 a.m. in advance of a 1 p.m. first post time at Belmont. On Thursdays starting May 12, Aqueduct will open to patrons at 1 p.m. in advance of a twilight racing first post time of 3:05 p.m.

There is no admission charge to access simulcasting on the 2nd floor at Aqueduct. Admission to Longshots will be \$10 or just \$5 for NYRA Bets' members. Parking is available free of charge.

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Apr. 22	GIII Baird Doubledogdare S.	Keeneland
Apr. 23	G1 Apple Blossom H.	Oaklawn
	GII Oaklawn H.	Oaklawn
	GII Elkhorn S.	Keeneland
	GIII Ben Ali S.	Keeneland

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Friday, Keeneland #9, post time: 5:16 p.m. EDT

MAKER'S MARK MILE S.-GI, \$600,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	In Love (Brz)	Agnes Gold (Jpn)	Bonne Chance Farm, LLC and Stud R D I, LLC.	Lobo	Achard	10-1
2	Shirl's Speight	Speightstown	Charles E. Fipke	Attfield	Saez	50-1
3	Atone	Into Mischief	Jordan V. Wycoff	Maker	Gaffalione	12-1
4	Masen (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Brown	Prat	5-1
5	Ivar (Brz)	Agnes Gold (Jpn)	Bonne Chance Farm, LLC and Stud R D I, LLC.	Lobo	Talamo	6-1
6	Smooth Like Strait	Midnight Lute	Cannon Thoroughbreds, LLC	M McCarthy	Rispoli	2-1
7	Count Again	Awesome Again	Agave Racing Stable and Sam-Son Farm	D'Amato	Rosario	5-1
8	Somelikeithotbrown	Big Brown	Skychai Racing LLC and Sand Dollar Stable LLC	Maker	Ortiz	12-1
9	Set Piece (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	8-1
10	Mira Mission	Noble Mission (GB)	Mary Abeel Sullivan Revocable Trust	Wilkes	Leparoux	20-1
11	Public Sector (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	8-1

Breeders: 1-Fazenda Mondesir / Stud Rio Dois Irmaos, 2-Charles Fipke, 3-Godolphin, 4-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 5-Stud Rio Dois Irmaos, 6-Cannon Thoroughbreds, LLC, 7-Sam-Son Farm, 8-Hot Pink Stables & Sand Dollar Stables, 9-Juddmonte Farms (East) Ltd, 10-Mary A. Sullivan, 11-The Kathryn Stud

Saturday, Keeneland #10, post time: 5:48 p.m. EDT

JENNY WILEY S.-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Scarabea 🐎	American Pharoah	Calumet Farm	Sisterson	Leparoux	123
2	Waliyak (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Fawzi Abdulla Nass	Vaughan	Rispoli	123
3	Shantisara (Ire)	Coulsty (Ire)	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC & LaPenta, Robert V.	Brown	Prat	123
4	Regal Glory 🐎	Animal Kingdom	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz	123
5	Navratilova	Medaglia d'Oro	G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.	Arnold, II	Hernandez	123
6	Lady Speightspeare	Speightstown	Charles E. Fipke	Attfield	Saez	123

Breeders: 1-Calumet Farm, 2-Soledad De Moratalla, Alban Chevalier DuFau & Pierre Hugues Henry, 3-Mr Oliver Donlon, 4-Paul P Pompa, 5-G. Watts Humphrey Jr., 6-Charles Fipke

Saturday, Oaklawn #11, post time: 6:42 p.m. EDT

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

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mojo Man	Stay Thirsty	Dash C. Goff	DiVito	Santana, Jr.	116
2	Chipofftheoldblock	Ready's Image	Penny S. Lauer	Lauer	Court	115
3	Letsgetlucky	Munnings	Brown, Edward Rusty J., Klein, Alan P. and Lebherz, Philip	Koriner	Garcia	115
4	Empire of Gold	Goldencents	Evans, Johnny B. and Eoff, Terry	Eoff	Eramia	116
5	Jackie's Warrior 🐎	Maclean's Music	Robison, J. Kirk and Robison, Judy	Asmussen	Rosario	123
6	Bob's Edge	Competitive Edge	Freeny, Michael & Patricia & Taylor, Jennifer Grayson	Jones	Quinonez	121

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STONESTREET LEXINGTON S.-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Midnight Chrome	California Chrome	Alexandria Stable	Servis	Ortiz	118
2	In Due Time 🌿	Not This Time	Edge Racing, Medallion Racing & Parkland Thoroughbreds	Breen	Lopez	118
3	We All See It 🌿	Street Sense	Anderson Stables, LLC and Homewrecker Racing LLC	Kenneally	Saez	118
4	Ethereal Road 🌿	Quality Road	Gilbert, Julie and Sones, Aaron	Lukas	Espinoza	118
5	Howling Time 🌿	Not This Time	Albaugh Family Stables LLC	Romans	Talamo	118
6	Skate to Heaven	Laoban	Cypress Creek Equine, Wiest, Rick and Wiest, Clayton	Diodoro	Cohen	118
7	Major General 🌿	Constitution	WinStar Farm LLC and Siena Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	Strava 🌿	Into Mischief	WinStar Farm LLC, Siena Farm LLC and Crum, Denny	Stewart	Gaffalione	118
9	Tawny Port 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Peachtree Stable	Cox	Geroux	118
10	Dash Attack	Munnings	Catalyst Stable, Magdalena Racing, Pollard, Kevin J. and Slevin, Patty	McPeck	Prat	120
11	Call Me Midnight 🌿	Midnight Lute	Cantrell, Peter L. and Gase, Benjamin	Desormeaux	Graham	120

Breeders: 1-New Dawn Stable, LLC & Deo Volente Farms, 2-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc, 3-Wayne Lyster, Gray Lyster & Bryan Lyster, 4-Paul Pompa Jr., 5-Springhouse Farm, 6-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 7-Circular Road Breeders, 8-WinStar Farm, LLC, 9-WinStar Farm, LLC, 10-Catalyst Stable & Magdalena Racing, 11-Hartwell Farm, Inc



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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Quality Road (2006) by <i>Elusive Quality</i> FYR: 2012 Crops: 9 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000	5	13	3	8	1	1	150	68	10,106,667	13,857,542
2	Tonalist (2011) by <i>Tapit</i> FYR: 2017 Crops: 4 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$10,000	2	5	1	3	1	1	107	39	10,460,000	11,966,752
3	Into Mischief (2005) by <i>Harlan's Holiday</i> FYR: 2010 Crops: 11 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$250,000	9	26	6	14	1	2	256	63	2,355,000	7,654,196
4	American Pharoah (2012) by <i>Pioneerof the Nile</i> FYR: 2017 Crops: 4 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$80,000	4	7	4	4	2	2	152	52	1,073,414	4,313,078
5	Speightstown (1998) by <i>Gone West</i> FYR: 2006 Crops: 15 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$90,000	4	10	3	7	1	1	127	45	1,211,648	3,994,938
6	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by <i>El Prado (Ire)</i> FYR: 2006 Crops: 15 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$100,000	5	20	4	16	--	--	133	33	838,500	3,567,182
7	Tiznow (1997) by <i>Cee's Tizzy</i> FYR: 2003 Crops: 18 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: Pensioned	1	3	--	2	--	1	105	32	2,390,000	3,534,698
8	Oxbow (2010) by <i>Awesome Again</i> FYR: 2015 Crops: 6 Stands: Calumet Farm KY Fee: \$7,500	1	3	1	3	--	2	89	27	2,610,000	3,493,139
9	Uncle Mo (2008) by <i>Indian Charlie</i> FYR: 2013 Crops: 8 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$160,000	5	11	4	6	--	1	157	54	424,000	3,454,431
10	Curlin (2004) by <i>Smart Strike</i> FYR: 2010 Crops: 11 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$175k	5	14	4	10	1	1	144	52	418,050	3,445,153
11	Not This Time (2014) by <i>Giant's Causeway</i> FYR: 2018 Crops: 3 Stands: Taylor Made Farm KY Fee: \$45,000	5	8	3	5	1	2	89	35	880,000	3,403,958
12	Munnings (2006) by <i>Speightstown</i> FYR: 2012 Crops: 9 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$85,000	7	13	2	5	--	1	167	56	291,200	3,387,510
13	Gun Runner (2013) by <i>Candy Ride (Arg)</i> FYR: 2019 Crops: 2 Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$125k	6	14	4	10	2	2	58	14	785,000	3,179,902
14	Street Sense (2004) by <i>Street Cry (Ire)</i> FYR: 2009 Crops: 12 Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$75,000	5	7	2	3	1	1	172	50	375,490	2,856,881
15	More Than Ready (1997) by <i>Southern Halo</i> FYR: 2002 Crops: 19 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$50,000	3	7	1	5	--	1	152	41	616,126	2,710,680

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7	120	Emblem Road (USA)	KSA
7	120	Home Affairs (AUS)	AUS
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7	120	Think It Over (AUS)	AUS
7	120	Zaaki (GB)	AUS



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Spendthrift Farm's freshman sire **Bolt d'Oro**, a MGISW by Medaglia d'Oro, sired his first winner from his first starter Wednesday when his son Pop d'Oro captured a trial race at Turf Paradise in front-running fashion. He won by a length while stopping the clock in :52.03 seconds for 4 1/2 furlongs. Owned and trained by Jose Luna Silva, the dark bay colt was bred in Arizona by H & E Ranch and is out of the Unbridled's Song mare Just Like Pop.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

Friday, Keeneland, post time: 4:12 p.m. ET

LIMESTONE S., \$200,000, 3yo, f, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Thunder Love (GB)	Profitable (Ire)	Talamo	Lobo	30-1
2	Her World (Ire)	Caravaggio	Ortiz, Jr.	Ward	2-1
3	Kaufymaker	Jimmy Creed	Ortiz	Ward	6-1
4	Ruthin (GB)	Ribchester (Ire)	Velazquez	Ward	8-1
5	Sin City Girl	Ghostzapper	Gutierrez	Diodoro	30-1
6	Derrynane	Quality Road	Rosario	Clement	5-2
7	Lost My Sock	Tourist	Hernandez	Ryan	30-1
8	Unbridled Mary	Maclean's Music	Bravo	Sadler	6-1
9	Fast Corey	Practical Joke	Geroux	Cox	8-1
10	Gun Boat	War Front	Saez	McGaughey	10-1



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Keeneland, \$109,450, Alw, 4-14, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.65, gd, 2 1/4 lengths.

OAKHURST (f, 3, Mr Speaker--Happiness Is {SW & GSP, \$231,269}, by Dynaformer), a last out two-length winner over the all-weather Feb. 9 at Gulfstream Park, made it two in a row here. Getting back on the turf and sent off at 7-2, Oakhurst settled in eighth through the opening half-mile in :47.78. She made progress to race in third turning for home, engaged the top two Ready Lady (**More Than Ready**) and Bravo Kitten (**Kitten's Joy**) and rallied past to win by 2 1/4 lengths. Bravo Kitten held on for second. Oakhurst has a 2-year-old half-sister named Charleston Way (Cross Traffic) and a newborn half-brother by **Union Rags**. Sales History: \$195,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$107,805. [Click for the Equibase.com chart and VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

O-Little Red Feather Racing; B-Vegso Racing Stable (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.



7th-Aqueduct, \$81,840, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:35.62, ft, 10 1/4 lengths.

MAKE MISCHIEF (f, 4, Into Mischief--Speightful Lady, by Speightstown) ran her three rivals off their feet in her comebacker here. Last term's Maddie May S. winner and GI Acorn S. third-place finisher set a pressured pace, began to shake clear approaching the quarter pole and rolled home an easy 10 1/4-length winner as the 6-5 favorite. The New York-bred was last seen finishing third in the Empire Distaff H. at Belmont Oct. 30. Sales history: \$285,000 Ylg '19 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: SW & GISP, 16-5-4-3, \$489,150. [Click for the Equibase.com chart and VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

O-Gary Barber; B-Avanti Stable (NY); T-Mark E. Casse.

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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

5th-Keeneland, \$100,000, Msw, 4-14, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.94, ft, 3/4 length.

RUNPAT (c, 4, Runhappy--Miss Mary Pat {MSW, \$102,863}, by Service Stripe) was a solid second after losing his action while returning from the bench at Fair Grounds Mar. 11 and gave his backers some anxious moments once again here. The 8-5 favorite broke like a shot and pressed in an outside second. He took over following a quarter-mile in :22.15 and hit the top of the stretch with a clear advantage, but it was anything but smooth sailing from there. First-time starter Nabokov (**Uncle Mo**), a full-brother to GSW & MGISP Mopotism and a \$775,000 KEESEP graduate, tipped out and looked well on his way while taking the lead as Runpat raced erratically in the stretch. Runpat wasn't done yet, however, and fought back gamely along the inside to regain the advantage while continuing to race greenly late en route to a 3/4-length graduation. The winner is a half-brother to Save Rock and Roll (Super Saver), GSP, \$108,500; and Shore Runner (**More Than Ready**), MSW, \$362,340. Progeny in the pipeline for the winner's dam include: a 2-year-old filly by **Classic Empire** and a yearling filly by **Runhappy**. Sales history: \$200,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$71,563.

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O-Kueber Racing, LLC; B-Bedouin Bloodstock LLC & Timber Town Stables LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

1st-Aqueduct, \$77,600, Msw, 4-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.23, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

SPEAKS FOR ITSELF (f, 4, Malibu Moon--Una Mac Cool, by Giant's Causeway) made this belated debut well worth the wait. Part of an entry favored at 2-5, she was hustled to the front by Manny Franco, began to increase her advantage heading into the far turn and cruised home to win by a geared-down 5 1/2 lengths over \$1.4-million KEESEP graduate Hoodooland (**Medaglia d'Oro**). Una Mac Cool is also represented by a **Twirling Candy** colt of 2021 and a **Candy Ride (Arg)** colt of this year. Her 3-year-old filly Inventing (**Union Rags**) was a very good second after stumbling at the start for Todd Pletcher on debut at Gulfstream Apr. 2. This is also the extended female family of GISWs Dunbar Road (**Quality Road**) and Secret Status (A.P. Indy). Sales history: \$320,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$44,000. **Click [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**
O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Mt. Brilliant Broodmares I LLC (KY);

T-Chad C. Brown.



1st-Keeneland, \$76,480, Msw, 4-14, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53.06, ft, 8 lengths.

HURRICANE DEBBIE (f, 2, Brody's Cause--Lucky's stormwarning, by Lookin At Lucky), not much of a secret at 3-5 for Wesley Ward, forced the early issue from an outside second. She revved up to take on the leader at the top of the stretch and powered clear in the lane to graduate by eight expanding lengths. The pacesetting Ski Slope (**Frosted**) stayed on for second. The winner's dam, purchased by Springhouse Farm for \$60,000 at KEENOV in 2015, is also responsible for recent Texas Glitter S. runner-up Lucci (Brody's Cause) and a colt by **Dialed In** of 2021. She was bred to **Not This Time** for 2022. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$48,360. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**

O-Gabriel Duignan & Mrs. Charlie O'Connor; B-Springhouse Farm & Ben McElroy (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

9th-Aqueduct, \$70,000, (S), Msw, 4-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 6ft, 1:10.01, fm, 5 1/4 lengths.

ACT OF CONGRESS (f, 3, Constitution--Perfect Stage, by Majesticperfection), off at 8-1 for this debut run, sped to the front and never looked back en route to a 5 1/4-length score. Sales history: \$47,000 RNA Ylg '20 FTKSEL. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$38,500. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**

O-Flying P Stable; B-Twin Creeks Farm (NY); T-Bruce N. Levine.

8th-Gulfstream, \$44,400, Msw, 4-14, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.15, ft, 1 length.

REPUBLIQUE (f, 3, Strong Mandate--Cashmere, by Cowboy Cal), a half-sister to GI Preakness S. winner Rombauer (**Twirling Candy**), GISW, \$1,040,500, was chilly on the board at 8-1 in this unveiling over the all-weather. She was ridden in fourth early, set her sights on the top two at the head of the stretch and rolled down the center to get up by a length over favored Sadie Bear (**The Big Beast**). The winner is also a half-sister to Cono (Lucky Pulpit), SP, \$190,982; the 2-year-old colt Alexander Helios (**Cairo Prince**); and a filly by **Twirling Candy** of this year. Cashmere is a half-sister to millionaire and Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint winner California Flag (Avenue of Flags). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,800. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-John & Diane Fradkin (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.

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2022 Stud Fees Listed

Smokem (Union Rags), Lovacres Ranch

24 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Santa Anita, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, It's Saul Right, 5-1
 \$10,000 FTC AYR yrl
 1-Santa Anita, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, One Smokin Moon, 5-2
 \$30,000 FTC AYR yrl
 1-Santa Anita, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Paytricia, 6-1
 1-Santa Anita, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Smokin Amelia, 10-1
 \$10,000 CTB AJA yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, APRIL 15

2022 Stud Fees Listed

Astern (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), Darley, \$10,000

142 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner
 2-Keeneland, 1:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Meant to Be, 10-1
 \$27,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$87,000 KEE SEP yrl

Bal a Bali (Brz) (Put It Back), Calumet Farm, \$5,000

148 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner
 9-Oaklawn, 6:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Bali Dreamin, 3-1

Biogenic (Tapit), Airdrie Stud

10 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Mahoning Valley, 4:02 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Aferdita, 12-1
 \$4,500 KEE SEP yrl

Caravaggio (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000

214 foals of racing age/37 winners/4 black-type winners
 7-Keeneland, 4:12 p.m. EDT, \$200K TVG Limestone S., 5 1/2ft, Her World (Ire), 2-1
 \$400,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$425,000 KEE JAN 2yo

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

187 foals of racing age/34 winners/3 black-type winners
 7-Aqueduct, 4:27 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Ava K's Boy, 10-1
 10-Keeneland, 5:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Jetinwithclass, 10-1
 \$240,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$90,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

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

174 foals of racing age/36 winners/4 black-type winners
 8-Evangeline Downs, 9:40 p.m. EDT, \$60K Acadiana S., 6f, Sassy Emma, 6-1
 \$30,000 OBS APR 2yo

Greenpointcrusader (Bernardini), Ocala Stud, \$3,500

54 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:01 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Talkin Topsy, 10-1

Holy Boss (Street Boss), Anchor & Hope Farm

71 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
 6-Charles Town, 9:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Lunar Dash, 8-1
 \$2,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Madefromlucky (Lookin At Lucky), Northview Stallion Station

71 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner
 6-Charles Town, 9:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Made to Be Lucky, 12-1
 \$13,000 EAS DEC wnl

Mastery (Candy Ride {Arg}), Claiborne Farm, \$10,000

222 foals of racing age/19 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:01 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Girl Pro, 15-1
 \$135,000 RNA FTK SEL yrl; \$65,000 FTK OCT yrl

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

127 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Golden Gate Fields, 7:27 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Lil Spanky, 9-2
 \$13,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$15,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$19,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$20,000 OBS APR 2yo
 4-Santa Anita, 5:37 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Midnight Silence, 12-1
 \$20,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$65,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mr. Z (Malibu Moon), Calumet Farm, \$2,500

57 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
 6-Evangeline Downs, 8:46 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Madame Jane, 12-1
 \$9,500 RNA ESL YRL yrl



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Mo Tom (Uncle Mo), Red River Farms, \$2,000
64 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Evangeline Downs, 9:40 p.m. EDT, \$60K Acadiana S., 6f,
Wholelottamo, 5-2
\$17,000 ESL YRL yrl

Neolithic (Harlan's Holiday), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$5,000
66 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Evangeline Downs, 9:40 p.m. EDT, \$60K Acadiana S., 6f,
Splenda Gail, 4-1
\$70,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Practical Joke (Into Mischief), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000
267 foals of racing age/38 winners/6 black-type winners
7-Aqueduct, 4:27 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Agility, 7-2
\$160,000 FTN MIX wnl
10-Keeneland, 5:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Dontgetabovuraisin, 5-1
\$150,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$300,000 FTK SEL yrl
7-Keeneland, 4:12 p.m. EDT, \$200K TVG Limestone S., 5 1/2fT,
Fast Corey, 8-1
\$75,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl; \$90,000
OBS APR 2yo
8-Laurel, 4:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Practical Kitty, 15-1
\$28,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl; \$18,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Profitable (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Kildangan Stud, \$12,500
226 foals of racing age/35 winners/3 black-type winners
7-Keeneland, 4:12 p.m. EDT, \$200K TVG Limestone S., 5 1/2fT,
Thunder Love (GB), 30-1
13,000gns TAT FOA wnl; £18,000 TAT IRY yrl

Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Kildangan Stud, \$12,500
218 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Keeneland, 4:12 p.m. EDT, \$200K TVG Limestone S., 5 1/2fT,
Ruthin (GB), 8-1
350,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Shaman Ghost (Ghostzapper), Adena Springs North, \$7,500
115 foals of racing age/20 winners/1 black-type winner
10-Keeneland, 5:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Kendall Spirit, 20-1
\$1,200 OBS WIN wnl; \$15,000 OBS OPN 2yo
7-Santa Anita, 7:11 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, Madiha, 5-2
\$20,000 FTC AYR yrl

Straight Fire (Dominus), Legacy Ranch
48 foals of racing age/12 winners/3 black-type winners
7-Golden Gate Fields, 7:27 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Engee Ombee,
9-5

Unified (Candy Ride {Arg}), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
194 foals of racing age/28 winners/3 black-type winners
8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:01 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Unified Ride, 10-1
\$1,500 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$5,500 KEE SEP yrl; \$25,000 OBS OPN
2yo



In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this weekend running at Hanshin and Nakayama Racecourses. While the 3-year-old filly set was front and center for last weekend's G1 Oka Sho, their male counterparts get their chance in Sunday's G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas), and though there are no American-bred runners in the field of 18, several of the colts were produced by mares sourced at the Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland November Mixed Sales. See the front section of the paper for additional details:

Saturday, April 16, 2022

11th-HSN, Arlington Cup-G3, ¥76,000,000 (\$604k), 3yo, 1mT

JASPER KRONE (c, 3, **Frosted**--Fancy Kitten, by **Kitten's Joy**), a \$25K Keeneland September yearling turned \$90K OBS March breezer, has already punched well above his weight, with two victories and two minor placings from five starts, including a cozy success in what amounts to a first-level allowance going six furlongs at Nakayama Mar. 26 ([video](#), SC 2). The chestnut, who hails from the female family of Jump Start and **Mastery**, is joined in the field by Dugat (**Practical Joke**) (\$190K 2yo '21 OBSMAR), whose commonly owned stable companion Jean Gros (**More Than Ready**) wired the field in the G2 New Zealand Trophy Apr. 9. *B-Machmer Hall & Godolphin (KY)*

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Keeneland, \$140,000, 4-14, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.27, gd, 3/4 length.

CURLY RUTH (m, 5, Curlin--Rutherie (GISW-USA, GSW-Can, \$1,298,671), by Pulpit) Lifetime Record: 16-5-4-0, \$328,927. O-Green Lantern Stables LLC; B-Payson Stud Inc (KY); T-Eddie Kenneally. *\$275,000 Ylg '18 KESEEP.

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8th-Aqueduct, \$84,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-14, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.45, fm, 3/4 length.

FLOP SHOT (IRE) (g, 6, New Approach {Ire}--Dancequest {Ire} {SP-Fr }, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 12-3-4-3, \$235,601. O-Peter M. Brant; B-Wertheimer Et Frere (IRE); T-Chad C. Brown. *€850,000 3yo '19 ARARC.

5th-Aqueduct, \$72,000, 4-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:09.09, fm, 1 3/4 lengths.

SASSY MELISSA (f, 4, War Dancer--Sing My Song, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-2, \$130,590. O/B-Joseph G. Bucci (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart.

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8th-Laurel, \$58,644, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-14, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:06.39, ft, head.

GOLDENIZE (g, 3, Blofeld--Golden Innis, by Yarrow Brae) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$95,911. O-Mrs. E. Allen Murray, Jr.; B-Murmur Farm (MD); T-Timothy L. Keefe.

4th-Charles Town, \$33,900, 4-13, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51.85, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

BULL MEECHUM (g, 5, Limehouse--Pink Gloss, by Songandaprayer) Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-1, \$87,711. O/B-Conroy Thoroughbreds LLC (WV); T-Anthony Farris.

7th-Charles Town, \$33,900, 4-13, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.84, ft, 7 1/2 lengths.

STAND BY YOU (f, 4, Munnings--Medaglia d'Argento, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-3, \$106,719. O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Silesia Farm (KY); T-Todd M.

Beattie. *\$22,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT; \$115,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN.

7th-Evangeline Downs, \$26,000, (S), 4-13, (NW2L), 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.80, ft, neck.

GUITAR DOCTOR (c, 3, Star Guitar--My Gal Layla {MSP}, by My Pal Charlie) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$44,170. O-Susan K. Love; B-Wayne Love (LA); T-Eduardo Ramirez.

7th-Turf Paradise, \$24,220, Opt. Clm (\$15,000-\$20,000), 4-13, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.11, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

PIKNITUPLAYNITDOWN (g, 5, Southern Image--Preachers Daughter, by Lucky Pulpit) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$35,936. O-John Moresco, Dennis Wong & Donna Hjort; B-Roger & Donna Hjort & John Moresco (CA); T-Donna Hjort.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Twilight Years, g, 3, **Golden Years--Rite of Passage**, by Prized. Charles Town, 4-13, (S), 7f, 1:28.22. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$25,595. B-O'Sullivan Farms (WV).

Papiringo, c, 3, **Gormley--Risen Day**, by Storm Day. Evangeline Downs, 4-13, (S), 1m, 1:42.22. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$23,000. B-Clear Creek Stud LLC (LA). *\$24,000 RNA Ylg '20 TTAYHR; \$13,000 2yo '21 TTAAPR.

Brigadier General, c, 3, **Street Sense--Mia and Molly**, by Giant's Causeway. Keeneland, 4-14, 1 1/16m, 1:44.91. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$106,416. B-Rose Hill Farm & TNIP LLC (KY). *\$150,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL.

Pharaoh's Triumph, g, 4, **American Pharoah--Winning Rhythm** (GSP, \$209,476), by Giant's Causeway. Laurel, 4-14, 1m (off turf), 1:39.99. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$32,700. B-Adena Springs (ON).

Synonymous, f, 4, **Ironicus--Chic Shanique**, by Dynaformer. Aqueduct, 4-14, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:44.77. Lifetime Record: 11-1-1-0, \$40,340. B-Indian Creek (KY). *\$1,400 Ylg '19 KESEEP; \$12,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN.

Cash in a Flash, g, 4, **Uncle Mo--Cry and Catch Me** (GISW, \$226,480), by Street Cry (Ire). Gulfstream, 4-14, (C), 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.04. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,098. B-Live Oak Stud (FL). *1/2 to Souper Escape (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Ch. Older Dirt Female-Can, MGSW-Can, SW-USA, \$367,883.

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- Curlin**, Curly Ruth, m, 5, o/o Rutherienne, by Pulpit. ALW, 4-14, Keeneland
- Golden Years**, Twilight Years, g, 3, o/o Rite of Passage, by Prized. MSW, 4-13, Charles Town
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- Ironicus**, Synonymous, f, 4, o/o Chic Shanique, by Dynaformer. MCL, 4-14, Aqueduct
- Limehouse**, Bull Meechum, g, 5, o/o Pink Gloss, by Songandaprayer. ALW, 4-13, Charles Town
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- Mr Speaker**, Oakhurst, f, 3, o/o Happiness Is, by Dynaformer. ALW, 4-14, Keeneland
- Munnings**, Stand by You, f, 4, o/o Medaglia d'Argento, by

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- New Approach (Ire)**, Flop Shot (Ire), g, 6, o/o Dancequest (Ire), by Dansili (GB). AOC, 4-14, Aqueduct
- Runhappy**, Runpat, c, 4, o/o Miss Mary Pat, by Service Stripe. MSW, 4-14, Keeneland
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- Star Guitar**, Guitar Doctor, c, 3, o/o My Gal Layla, by My Pal Charlie. ALW, 4-13, Evangeline
- Street Sense**, Brigadier General, c, 3, o/o Mia and Molly, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 4-14, Keeneland
- Strong Mandate**, Republique, f, 3, o/o Cashmere, by Cowboy Cal. MSW, 4-14, Gulfstream
- Uncle Mo**, Cash in a Flash, g, 4, o/o Cry and Catch Me, by Street Cry (Ire). MOC, 4-14, Gulfstream
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EYDON GIVES OLDEN TIMES A WINNER IN THE FEILDEN



Eydon (red and white) stretches away in the Feilden
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Denied a clear passage on debut when tackling a mile on Newcastle's Tapeta in December, Eydon was an eye-catching third but arguably may well have won had fortune smiled on him before going back over the same course and distance Feb. 19. Sent off the 4-9 favourite, the homebred was denied late by Oceania Legend (Ire) (**Australia {GB}**) on that occasion and had not offered a compelling reason why he should turn over the likes of the Listed Washington Singer S. winner and G2 Superlative S. runner-up Masekela and the G3 Horris Hill S. runner-up Cresta (Fr) (New Bay {GB}) here.

Anchored in a detached last throughout the early stages by David Egan, the imposing bay made an impressive forward move out wide to swamp Masekela approaching two out and draw away for a resounding success.

"He's a lovely horse, but he's a big horse, he's come here weighing nearly 550 kilos and that's why he has taken a bit of time," trainer Roger Varian commented. "Big horses always seem to take plenty of time. We've always rated him, he's always worked nicely at home. He galloped out well there and he'll get further, he's an exciting horse." [Cont. p2](#)

BIG START FOR KESSAAR AS FIRST WINNER DAZZLES

Thursday's Newmarket card featured as fast a 2-year-old as has been seen so far in 2022 as Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum's **Tajalla (Ire)** ripped up the Rowley Mile to earn **TDN Rising Star** status on debut and provide Tally-Ho Stud's first-season sire Kessaar (Ire) with his first winner.

Well-regarded by Roger Varian, the April-foaled relative of Ardad (Ire) tracked the leaders throughout the early stages of the five-furlong bet365 British EBF Novice S. and when pointed forward by Andrea Atzeni took control approaching the furlong pole. Stretching away up the rising ground, the 11-8 favourite scored by 2 3/4 lengths from **Fragrance (GB)** (**Oasis Dream {GB}**), with 1 3/4 lengths further back to **Cheeky Maxi (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) in third.

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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

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Keeneland's Friday card features the GI Maker's Mark Mile where **Count Again** (Awesome Again) returns to the Lexington oval. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Eydon is by the Darshaan stallion Olden Times (above), who won the Feilden back in 2001 and would go on to land Chantilly's G1 Prix Jean Prat for Prince Faisal | Scoop Dyga

Listed Feilden S. Cont. from p1

“He was entered in the Craven and we were weighing up the options of Craven or nine furlongs, but the Prince [Faisal] said ‘don’t go for a novice or a maiden, go for the Feilden if you’re happy with him’ and this is hopefully another nice horse for the Prince, who has had so many nice horses over the years,” the trained said. “The way he’s won here would justify an ambitious plan.”

Varian added, “I got it wrong on his second start but he ran very well on his debut and if you watch that back, he looked a jolly nice horse although he didn’t win. As we were saddling him we said the horse will be delighted that he didn’t have to go up the A1 today and he has probably enjoyed a short trip down the road.

“We always thought he would be better on grass than on the all-weather and his work over the last fortnight had been good.

“I have to thank Prince Faisal really, A for sending me the horse to train as he has been very supportive of me throughout my career. Prince Faisal is very knowledgeable, and he saw the promise from this horse on his debut. The Prince has had so many great horses and he owned the sire Olden Times who won this race a few years ago.”

Although Eydon holds entries for the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas, G2 Dante S. and the G1 Cazoo Derby, his next start is up in the air.

Varian continued, “I won’t make any decisions without speaking to the Prince. We will see how he comes out of the race but he is well entered up. I’m not sure where we go next, but he has got all the entries. The way he won here he would

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justify an ambitious plan and is something to look forward to I think.”

The winner is the first foal out of the dam, who died as a 7-year-old and is a half to four black-type performers including the Listed Sandringham H. winner and G3 Nell Gwyn S. third Festivale (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and her Listed Prix de Saint-Patrick-winning full-sister Arctic Gyr (Ire). Moon Mountain has left the 2-year-old filly Hopeful (GB) (Make Believe {GB}) and a yearling filly by **Kingman (GB)**.

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BET365 FEILDEN S.-Listed, £52,000, Newmarket, 4-14, 3yo, 9fT, 1:50.89, gd.

1--EYDON (IRE), 126, c, 3, by Olden Times (GB)

1st Dam: Moon Mountain (GB), by Frankel (GB)

2nd Dam: Cephalonie, by Kris S.

3rd Dam: Heraklia, by Irish River (Fr)

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Prince A. A. Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Limited (IRE); T-Roger Varian; J-David Egan. £29,489. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$42,371.

2--Masekela (Ire), 126, c, 3, El Kabeir--Lady's Purse (GB), by Doyen (Ire). (€35,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; 30,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-Mick and Janice Mariscotti; B-Coolawn Stud (IRE); T-Andrew Balding. £11,180.



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3--**Austrian Theory (Ire)**, 126, c, 3, Awtaad (Ire)--Cedar Sea (Ire), by Persian Bold (Ire). (30,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-Dr J Walker; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd and P A Byrne (IRE); T-Mark Johnston. £5,595.

Margins: 3 1/4, 3/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 22.00, 2.00, 25.00.

Also Ran: Sonny Liston (Ire), Cresta (Fr), Dawn of Liberation (Ire).

Kessaar's 'TDN Rising Star' Cont. from p1

Varian had made no secret of his faith in Tajalla, whose closing fractions were as rapid as it gets at this time of year. "That was pleasing, but he has always looked a natural," he said. "We don't have too many out in April, but that horse has been very forward for a little while. He was green in the paddock and green in the race, but when he hit the rising ground I thought he quickened up really smartly. He looked sharp today and you would have to hope is an above-average early season 2-year-old. I don't think he needs to go beyond five, so we will stick at that for the time being. He will improve for the run and he is an exciting juvenile. We will keep our options open, but hopefully he is the type that gets us to Royal Ascot."

Kessaar took three starts to get off the mark, although he did have to navigate the deep waters of the Royal meeting's Listed Windsor Castle S. on his second. This auspicious start to his stud career came courtesy of a first foal out of Armum (Ire) (Society Rock {Ire}), a half to the aforementioned Ardad (Ire). That G2 Flying Childers S. and Windsor Castle-winning son of Kodiak (GB) proved a notable sire in his own right last term, with his first crop featuring Perfect Power (Ire). Tajalla, a 90,000gns purchase at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1, is also related to the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp and G2 QIPCO British Champions Sprint S. winner Maarek (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) and the G2 Gimcrack S. third Mystery Smiles (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}). Armum's second foal is a yearling filly by Ardad's sire.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

PROBERT TO BE CROWNED ALL-WEATHER CHAMPION JOCKEY

Jockey David Probert will be named the 2021/2022 All-Weather Champion Jockey on Friday, Apr. 15. The 33-year-old has ridden 82 winners during the all-weather season to date, 20 better than Hollie Doyle in second place. The season lasts from Oct. 19-Apr. 15.

Probert, said of his all-weather title win, “It’s great, it’s rolled on from a very good season last season, but I’ve been very lucky to ride for plenty of different trainers. It means a lot to win and it’s a big achievement, hopefully it bounces into a good grass season.



David Probert champion-elect on the all-weather
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“It always helps to stay around in the winter and keep my face in the game. I’ve built up good connections who have helped me and given me plenty of opportunities, so I owe a huge thank you to all the owners and trainers who have supported me.”

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Tajalla, the first runner and first winner for his Tally-Ho Stud-based sire, was named a ‘TDN Rising Star’ at Newmarket on Thursday.

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David Probert Cont.

He is also considered the fourth chance for the Flat Champion Jockey title, with that season beginning on Apr. 30. A joint winner with William Buick of the 2008 Apprentice Jockeys' Championship, Probert exceeded 150 winners in a year for the first time.

"We've got lots of good horses this season at Andrew's [Balding], some really nice 3-year-olds like Sandrine who is going in the G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas," added Probert. "Hopefully, there are plenty of chances to get that elusive Group 1.

"It would be nice to get one on the board, but I am just going to take it daily and monthly and see where we are. I am coming off the back of a very good year last year so I am aiming at quality more than anything, but I would always like to get as many winners as possible."

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NATURE STRIP TOPS LWBRR WITH LIFE IS GOOD

Australian sprinting king **Nature Strip (Aus)** (Nicconi {Aus}) won the G1 T J Smith S. in Australia recently and moves to the top of the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings with a mark of 124 shared with GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S. hero **Life Is Good** (Into Mischief).

Next on the rankings list is **Speaker's Corner (Street Sense)**, the 4 1/2-length victor of the GI Carter H. at 123. Hong Kong superhorse **Golden Sixty (Aus)** (Medaglia d'Oro) returned to the winner's circle in the G2 Chairman's Trophy S., and was given a mark of 122. A pair of U.S. runners sit just one point lower—G1 Dubai World Cup hero **Country Grammer (Tonalist)** and Saturday's GII Shakertown S. winner **Golden Pal (Uncle Mo)**.

Five horses are a joint seventh in the rankings at a mark of 120: \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup winner **Emblem Road (Quality Road)**, G1 Lightning S. hero **Home Affairs (Aus)** (I Am Invincible {Aus}), G1 Dubai Sheema Classic victor **Shahryar (Jpn)** (Deep

Impact {Jpn}), G1 Queen Elizabeth S. scorer **Think It Over (Aus)** (So You Think {NZ}) and **Zaaki (GB)** (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), who was second in the Queen Elizabeth. For the complete Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings, please visit the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities' [website](#).

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SIR MARK TODD TO RESUME TRAINING AFTER FOUR-MONTH SUSPENSION

Sir Mark Todd, who had been placed in an interim suspension by the British Horseracing Authority (BHA) on Feb. 16, received a four-month suspension, with two months deferred, following a BHA independent disciplinary panel hearing on Thursday.

Todd had been charged with conduct prejudicial to the reputation of racing in February, after a video emerged on social media of him striking a horse with a branch in August of 2020. The 65-year-old had been knighted in 2013 for his services to equestrian sport.

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MORE FIRST CROP SUCCESS

The Whitsbury Manor-bred **STAR OF LADY M** retains her unbeaten record with an impressive victory in a 5 furlong novice race at Ripon.

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Sir Mark Todd Cont.

Although Todd issued an apology, his licence was suspended in February pending an initial hearing on Mar. 24, which was adjourned due to legal issues. His Honour Brian Barker, acting as panel chairman, heard the case privately on Apr. 14. Barker announced Todd’s suspension, but as he has already served two months, he will be able to make entries immediately.

Barker said, “The appropriate sentence is one of four months suspension, with two months of that deferred for two months.

“That means that the eight weeks that he has already served is sufficient and that Sir Mark is able to operate under his licence immediately and that further, providing that there are no transgressions in the next two months until the June 14, then that deferment will disappear.”

The BHA offered the following statement: “We are grateful to the Disciplinary Panel for their time in considering this case and acknowledge the penalty handed down this afternoon. As Sir Mark has himself recognised in public statements since the video emerged and in accepting that he was in breach of Rule (J)19, his behaviour on this occasion fell short of the standard expected of all licensed individuals and ran contrary to the values of care and respect for the horse that underpin British

racing.”

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IFAR CONFERENCE CONTINUES ON APR. 19

The second and final virtual session of the 2022 International Forum for the Aftercare of Racehorses (IFAR) will be held at 12 a.m. BST on Apr. 19. IFAR partnered with the Japan Racing Association (Japanese Consultative Committee on Aftercare of Racehorses) to host the 2022 event. Rishi Persad moderated the first virtual session on Apr. 5, and next Tuesday’s session will be moderated by the Australian-based racing broadcaster Caroline Searcy.

“Our first webinar attracted viewers from nearly 20 countries and resulted in engaging discussions with our speakers about global aftercare issues,” said Di Arbuthnot, chair of IFAR. “With the diversity of speakers and panelists that we have assembled for next week, I am looking forward to continuing the dialogue around effective Thoroughbred aftercare programs, which, as mentioned in our first session, are critical for the sustainability of our industry.”

To view the Apr. 5 session of the IFAR conference, please click [here](#). **Cont. p7**



Jockeys riding at Newmarket on Thursday out in force with Frances Crowley and Sue Durcan to remember multiple Irish champion jockey Pat Smullen following his memorial race, organised by Ted Durcan | *Emma Berry*

IFAR Conference Cont.

To find out more about the conference, including speakers, moderators, presentation topics, bios or to register for the free Apr. 19 session, please go to the IFAR [website](#).

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IWTW APRIL CATALOGUE RELEASED

A mixed catalogue of both Flat and National Hunt horses was released by I Want The Winner on Thursday. Slated to begin on Apr. 20 at 5 p.m., the sale will end 24 hours later at 5 p.m. local time on Apr. 21. The online sale features horses like four-time winner **Winter Warmth (Ire)** (Fast Company {Ire}) (lot 1), lot 3, **Loverdose (Fr)** (Joshua Tree {Fr}), a half-brother to G1 Melbourne Cup runner-up Max Dynamite (Fr) (Great Journey {Jpn}); and black-type mare **Don't Teutch (Fr)** (Country Reel) (lot 4), who has a Romanised (Ire) filly at foot and is in foal to Toronado (Ire). Entries are still being accepted, and to view the catalogue, please go to I Want The Winner's [website](#).

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This quality filly bred by Miss Kirsten Rausing from the first crop of **Circus Maximus (Ire)** is out of the G3 Oh So Sharp S. runner-up Alamode (GB) (Sir Percy {GB}), from the immediate family of Alborada (GB) (Alzao) | *Coolmore*

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Thursday's Results:

WHITSBURY MANOR STUD / BRITISH EBF LANSDOWN S.-Listed, £57,500, Bath & Somerset County, 4-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f 10yT, 1:01.49, g/s.

1--**WHITE LAVENDER (IRE), 130, f, 4, Heeraat (Ire)--Goodnight and Joy (Ire), by Rip Van Winkle (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.**

O-Mrs Barbara M. Keller; B-Paul McCartan (IRE); T-Karl Burke; J-Clifford Lee. £32,608. Lifetime Record: SP-Ire, 8-2-2-0, \$72,122.

2--**Hellomydarlin (Ire), 119, f, 3, Galileo Gold (GB)--Speed Freak (GB), by Fastnet Rock (Aus).** O-Nick Bradley Racing 48; B-Tally Ho Stud (IRE); T-George Boughhey. £12,363.

3--**Get Ahead (GB), 119, f, 3, Showcasing (GB)--Suelita (GB), by Dutch Art (GB).** (200,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**

O-Hot To Trot Racing V; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud (GB); T-Clive Cox. £6,187.

Margins: 1HF, NO, HD. Odds: 12.00, 16.00, 9.00.

Also Ran: Zim Baby (GB), Sows (Ire), Peggy Sioux (GB), Illustrating (GB), Tenaya Canyon (GB), Teresa Mendoza (Ire), Cuban Breeze (GB), Mountain Brave (GB), Obtain (GB), Fearless Angel (Ire), Glamorous Breeze (GB), Favourite Child (GB).
Scratched: Al Simmo (GB).

With Joseph Murphy last season, White Lavender had made an instant impact when scoring on debut at Navan in May and while she had yet to add to that tally in six subsequent starts had shown enough to suggest a race of this nature was well within her grasp. Unlucky not to have already won one of these when a strong-finishing second having met trouble in running in the Listed Abergwaun S. over this trip at Tipperary in August, the bay had been fourth when last seen in the six-furlong Listed Waterford Testimonial S. at The Curragh in October.

Held up in customary fashion using the 3-year-old Hellomydarlin as a target just ahead, she had to come around all rivals but made light of the task and after seizing the advantage 150 yards from the finish readily asserted for a deserved first black-type success.

The winner is the first foal out of the unraced dam, who is a daughter of the listed-placed Great Joy (Ire) (Grand Lodge) and therefore a half-sister to the dual G1 Champions Mile winner Xtension (Ire) (Xaar {GB}). Her daughters have proven a rich source of classy runners, with the listed-placed A Huge Dream (Ire) (Refuse To Bend {Ire}) producing Mrs Gallagher (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**) who took the 2018 running of this race. Her Beatrix Potter (Ire) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) is the dam of the G1 July Cup and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup hero Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and the G2 Mill Reef S. winner Pierre Lapin (Ire) (Cappella Sansevero {GB}), while her Triggers Broom (Ire) (Arcano {Ire}) produced the G1 Middle Park S. hero Supremacy (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}). Goodnight and Joy's 2-year-old colt by Harry Angel's sire was a 370,000gns purchase by Blandford Bloodstock at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1. She is also responsible for a yearling colt by Pierre Lapin's sire. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

3rd-Newmarket, £20,000, Novice, 4-14, 3yo, 7fT, 1:25.15, gd.
TUSCAN (IRE) (c, 3, Churchill {Ire}--Orcia {Ire} {SP-Fr, MSP-Ire}, by Shamardal), sixth when last seen in the Listed Silver Tankard S. at Pontefract in October, tracked the early leader. Taking time to engage inside the final two furlongs, the 11-2 shot answered William Buick's call to overpower TDN Rising Star Audience (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}) 100 yards from home and score by 3/4 of a length. "He ran once at listed level last year, but he hated the ground up there and he lost his action completely, so it was lovely to get him on some fast ground like this," trainer Charlie Hills explained. "There is the [Listed] King Charles II back here and the [G3] Jersey S. at Royal Ascot. Those are the sort of races for him." The winner is the first foal out of the triple listed-placed dam, who is a half to three out black-type performers including the G3 Winter Hill S. scorer Distant Memories (Ire) (Falbrav {Ire}) and GI Flower Bowl S. third Mutatis Mutandis (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}). The second dam, the listed-winning and dual Group 3-placed Amathia (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), is a half to six other black-type winners including Hathrah (Ire) (Linamix {Fr}) who was third in the G1 1000 Guineas. Orcia also has the 2-year-old filly Abbadia (Ire) by the sire of Mutatis Mutandis. Sales history: £140,000 Ylg '20 GOFOR; 135,000gns 2yo '21 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$26,007.
 O-John and Jess Dance; B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Charles Hills.

1st-Ripon, £7,500, Novice, 4-14, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.69, sf.
STAR OF LADY M (GB) (f, 2, Havana Grey {GB}--Abraj Dubai, by Street Cry {Ire}), sharp enough to make a winning debut over this trip 10 days earlier at Redcar, enjoyed a lead to halfway. Left in front soon after, the 10-11 favourite was pushed out to score readily by 3 1/2 lengths from Teatime Tipple (GB) (Pastoral Pursuits {GB}). The dam, whose yearling filly is by Showcasing (GB), hails from the family of the European Horse of the Year and champion grass horse Fantastic Light (Rahy). Sales history: 15,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$10,970.
Video, sponsored by TVG.
 O-Mr M Madden; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud (GB); T-David O'Meara.

2nd-Bath & Somerset County, £7,800, Novice, 4-14, 2yo, 5f 10yT, 1:02.87, g/s.
WHISTLE AND FLUTE (IRE) (c, 2, Dandy Man {Ire}--Maria Ormani {Ire}, by Roderic O'Connor {Ire}), sent off the 7-2 second favourite, tracked the leader Global Effort (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}) travelling easily from the outset. Taking that rival's measure passing the two pole, the bay asserted to score by 2 1/2 lengths. The unraced dam, whose yearling is a full-sister to the winner, is a half to the G2 May Hill S. scorer and G1 Fillies Mile runner-up Agnes Stewart (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}) and the listed-

winning Sorrel (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) who was placed in the GIII La Prevoyante S. and GIII Orchid S. Sales history: £13,000 Ylg '21 TATIRY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,524. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

O-The Woodway 20; B-Ballyhane (IRE); T-Eve Johnson Houghton.

6th-Ripon, £7,500, Novice, 4-14, 3yo, 12f 10yT, 2:48.34, sf.
TROJAN HORSE (IRE) (c, 3, Ulysses {Ire}--Guardia {Ger} {SP-Ger}, by Monsun {Ger}), carrying a penalty due to his Redcar novice win over nine furlongs in October, was free early shadowing the leader Kincade (Ire) (Nathaniel {Ire}). Taking over three out, the 15-8 second favourite was green in the clear but was always comfortably on top of that rival to score by 3/4 of a length. The listed-placed dam, who has produced one black-type performer in the G3 Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen and G3 Ittlingen Derby Trial-placed Guiri (Ger) (Motivator {GB}), is a full-sister to the G1 Deutschland-Preis and G1 Grosser Preis von Baden-winning sire Getaway (Ger) and to the G1 Preis der Diana and G1 Oaks d'Italia heroine Guadalupe (Ger). She in turn produced two Group 1 winners in Guignol (Ger) (Cape Cross {Ire}) and Guiliani (Ire) (Tertullian). Also connected to this stable's dual G1 Gold Cup hero Royal Rebel (GB) (Robellino), Guardia's yearling is a son of Zoffany (Ire). Sales history: €30,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; 6,000gns Ylg '20 TADEYG. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$13,621. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**
 O-Mr R W Huggins; B-Guardia Partnership (IRE); T-Charlie & Mark Johnston.

1st-Newmarket, £10,000, Mdn, 4-14, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:24.96, gd.
OUT FROM UNDER (GB) (c, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Koora {GB} {GSW-Eng, \$136,783}, by Pivotal {GB}), runner-up over this trip when last seen at Redcar in September, raced freely early tracking the leader. Looming to Wodeton (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) approaching the final two furlongs, the 8-11 favourite was let loose soon after to take command and register an authoritative 2 1/2-length verdict over that rival. The winner, a full-brother to last year's G2 Queen's Vase winner Kemari (GB), GSW-Eng, GSP-Fr, \$230,145, is out of the G3 St Simon S. scorer and G2 Middleton S. runner-up and half-sister to the G1 St Leger hero and GI Breeders' Cup Turf runner-up Milan (GB). M V Magnier was the buyer when her 2-year-old son of Galileo (Ire)--now named Klondike (GB)--sold for 600,000gns at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1. She also has a yearling filly by Kingman (GB). Sales history: 120,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$14,363.
 O-White Birch Farm and Fittocks Stud; B-Fittocks Stud (GB); T-Harry & Roger Charlton.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Bella Veneta (GB), f, 3, **Belardo (Ire)**--World Class (GB), by Galileo (Ire). Bath & Somerset County, 4-14, 8fT, 1:43.84. B-Deerfield Farm (GB). *12,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT.

FRANCE

Friday's Result:

1st-Lyon-Parilly, €18,000, Cond, 4-14, 2yo, 5fT, 0:57.68, sf. AXDALIVA (FR) (f, 2, Elusive City--Key Success {Ire}, by Kodiak {GB}), who was runner-up over 900 metres in the season's opening juvenile contest here Mar. 20, put that experience to immediate use to gain the early advantage. Stretching her rivals inside the final furlong, the 17-10 favourite had 2 1/2 lengths to spare over Kassar Said (Fr) (Whipper). The winner is the third of three foals out of the dam, with the first being the G3 Prix du Pin and G3 Prix du Bois runner-up Axdavali (Fr) (Goken {Fr}), MGSP-Fr, \$180,616. She is a half to Music Theory (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), who was third in the G3 Solario S., and is also connected to the G3 Thoroughbred S. winner Montiridge (Ire) (Ramonti {Fr}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €12,600. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Mandalore Racing Stable SAS, Jean-Claude Peuset et al; B-Mme C Vitse, G Vitse & Barberot (S) (FR); T-Yann Barberot.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

3rd-Lyon-Parilly, €24,000, 4-14, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:34.91, sf. COEUR MACEN (FR) (m, 5, Siyuni {Fr})--Decision {Fr}, by Kentucky Dynamite Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 21-5-3-4, €83,416. O-Nunzio Ricignuolo, Betrand Milliere, Boualem Mekki, Cedric Milliere & Jean-Philippe Zaoui; B-Haras du Quesnay (FR); T-Jean-Pierre Gauvin. *€52,000 Wlg '17 ARQDEC; €75,000 Ylg '18 ARQAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Chaussons Roses (Ire), f, 3, **New Approach (Ire)**--Go Lovely Rose (Ire), by Pivotal (GB). Lyon-Parilly, 4-14, 8fT, 1:41.39. B-Knocktoran Stud (IRE). *1/2 to Roseman (Ire) (**Kingman {GB}**), SW & G1SP-Fr, \$245,342; & to Baradar (Ire) (Muhaarar {GB}), G1SP-Eng.

Pontet (Fr), c, 3, **New Approach (Ire)**--Ponte Vespucci (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Anabaa. Lyon-Parilly, 4-14, 8fT, 1:41.51. B-T de la Heronniere (FR). *€70,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP.

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2	Ask Victor More (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Tanabe	Tamura	126
3	Tosen Vanno (Jpn)	Vanquish Run (Jpn)	Kowata	Kobiyama	126
4	Killer Ability (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	T Yokoyama	Saito	126
5	Grand Line (Jpn)	Duramente (Jpn)	Miura	Takagi	126
6	Justin Rock (Jpn)	Leontes (Jpn)	Tosaki	Yoshioka	126
7	Born This Way (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Ishibashi	Maki	126
8	Dante's View (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	H Yoshida	Tomomichi	126
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11	Onyankopan (Jpn)	Eishin Flash (Jpn)	Sugawara	Kojima	126
12	Do Deuce (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Take	Tomomichi	126
13	Be Astonished (Jpn)	American Patriot	Wada	Iida	126
14	Geoglyph (Jpn)	Drefong	Fukunaga	Kimura	126
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NEWHAVEN PARK PURCHASES MO'UNGA



Mo'unga | Bronwen Healy

by Trent Masenhelder

Newhaven Park has seized the rarest of opportunities by securing the best-performed colt by Savabeel, dual Group 1 winner **Mo'unga (NZ)**.

Bred by Waikato Stud, Mo'unga is by the seven-time Champion New Zealand Sire from the unraced O'Reilly (NZ) mare Chandelier (NZ). He was purchased by Aquis Farm for NZ\$325,000 at the 2019 New Zealand Bloodstock Karaka Yearling Sale (Book 1).

Ahead of Saturday's G1 All Aged S. at Randwick, where he is well-fancied to add another elite-level victory, Mo'unga has had 15 starts, for five wins and five minor placings, banking winnings of just over \$1.8 million.

Mo'unga notched his maiden Group 1 triumph as a 3-year-old, in last year's Rosehill Guineas in March, before adding a second in the Winx S. in August.

Speaking to *TDN AusNZ*, Newhaven Park Principal John Kelly said they were rapt to secure the classy entire.

"Newhaven Park has purchased Mo'unga. Everyone has worked really hard to get the deal done and we are delighted to have bought him," Kelly said. "Everyone's excited going into Saturday; we all have expectations that he'll run a great race.

"We are going to syndicate him with some old and new clients, and we still have a few shares left.

"Aquis have retained a share in him; they're going to come on

the journey with us, so that's great.

"We are very excited about it; we think with him being a son of Savabeel, out of an O'Reilly mare, he offers a great opportunity for Australian breeders. He's a beautiful outcross that's worked very well with the Australian mares that have gone to New Zealand."

In Search of More Riches

"We intend to race him on for another year, so that's the upcoming spring and next autumn," said Kelly. "We still think he has a lot to offer as a racehorse. When he comes back in the spring he will still be trained by Annabel."

Mo'unga will run for the new ownership group in the All Aged and his jockey, Tommy Berry, will wear Aquis's colours for the final time. Post-Saturday, Mo'unga's jockey will be in Newhaven's renowned black-green sash, red sleeves and white cap.

ZOUSTAR TO STAND FOR \$198,000 (INC GST)

by Jessica Owers

Widden Stud announced its stallion roster this week and, among its 17 sires standing between two farms in as many states, the upswing in **Zoustar's** fee was the overwhelming highlight. This spring, Zoustar heads towards his ninth season at stud and his service fee has been announced at \$198,000 (inc GST). It's a rise on last season's fee of \$154,000 (inc GST), and it puts the son of Northern Meteor into the major league, as if he weren't already there.



Zoustar | Widden Stud

“He’s been considered the up-and-coming stallion of the Australian sire ranks for a long time, and we saw that last year,” said Antony Thompson, the principal of Widden Stud. “He was right up there in the handful of top sires by service fee, sales success and racetrack success, and we’ll see him to continue to rise as some of the other horses around him get older.”

Zoustar’s 2022 fee of \$198,000 puts him right among I Am Invincible and Snitzel at the top of the Australian fee table, and landing on this figure was a matter of supply and demand for Thompson.

“Speaking to major breeders and seeking advice from independent bloodstock agents... those things are helpful when it comes to setting a service fee,” the studmaster said. “It’s really just supply and demand, and you also get an understanding of where you are with enquiries and pre-bookings from breeders, which indicates that they’d like to use Zoustar this year and which mares they’d like to send.”

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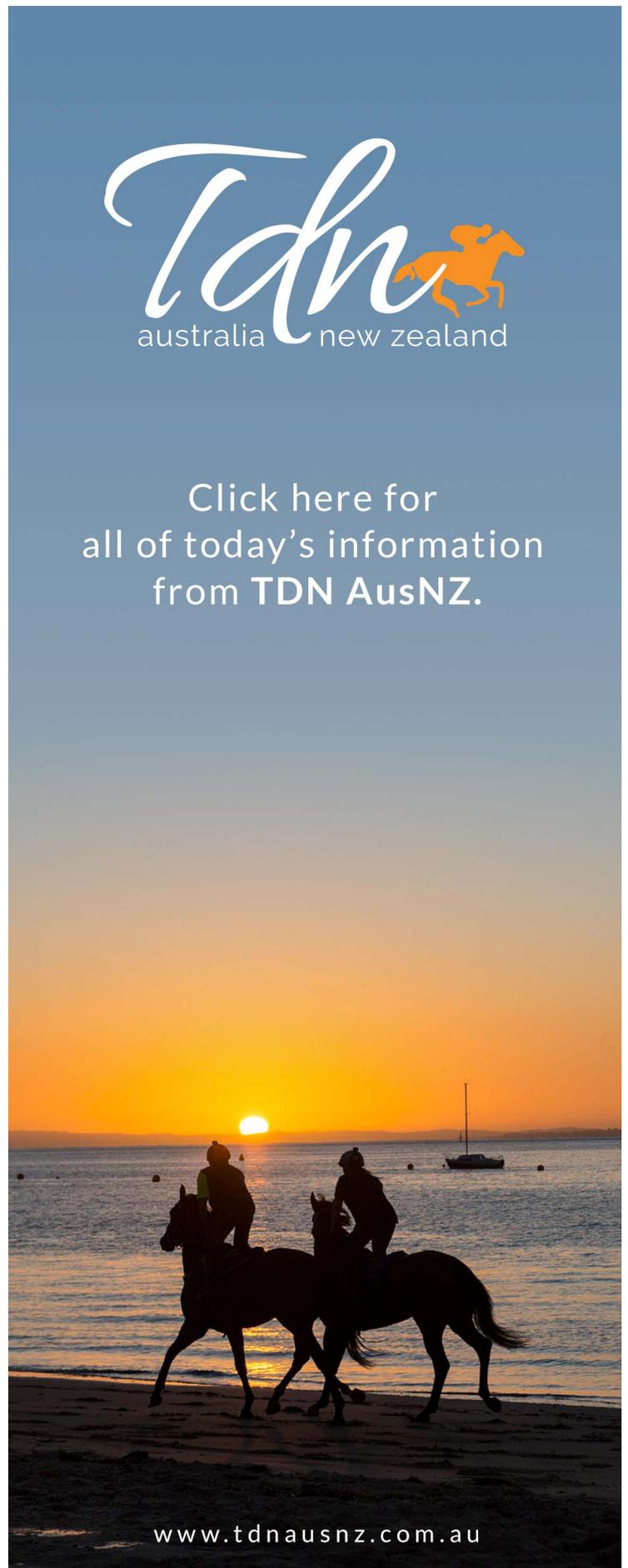
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	G3 Easter Cup	Caulfield
	G3 Neds Victoria H.	Caulfield
	G3 Frank Packer Plate	Randwick
	G1 Champagne S.	Randwick
	G3 James H. B. Carr S.	Randwick
	G3 Hall Mark S.	Randwick
	G3 JRA Plate	Randwick
	G1All-Aged S.	Randwick
	Apr. 23	G3 R N Irwin S.
Apr. 30	G2 Queensland Guineas	Eagle Farm
	G2 Victory S.	Eagle Farm
	G3 Hawkesbury Guineas	Hawkesbury
	G3 Hawkesbury Gold Cup	Hawkesbury
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