

TAKING STOCK: SIKURA'S HILL 'N' DALE AT XALAPA



Goodnight Olive, by Hill 'n' Dale's Ghostzapper, wins Sunday's GI Ballerina S. at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew

by Sid Fernando

What a time to be alive for John Sikura, master of Hill 'n' Dale! The farm's stallions have been putting on quite a show lately while Sikura quietly goes about the task--well, it's a labor of love, really--of restoring, modernizing, and expanding Xalapa, the historically significant Bourbon County property near Paris that he acquired a few years ago. Xalapa now houses Hill 'n' Dale's roster of 12 stallions and all of the farm's mares, yearlings, and foals on close to 1,500 acres.

On Sunday at Saratoga, the farm's Ghostzapper was represented by GI Ballerina H. winner Goodnight Olive. A day earlier at the same track, Hill 'n' Dale's flagship sire, Curlin, was the star with two Grade I winners: champion Malathaat won the Personal Ensign and Cody's Wish the Forego. The weekend before, Curlin's Nest easily took the GI Alabama S. at Saratoga and Ghostzapper's Moira, a filly, thumped colts by seven lengths in the \$1-million Queen's Plate at Woodbine.

And there's more. Violence is the sire of Lost Ark, a 2-year-old half-brother to Nest who won the Sapling S. at Monmouth Saturday by 7 1/2 lengths; Maclean's Music's champion sprinter Jackie's Warrior was a valiant second in the Forego to Cody's Wish; Curlin's Obligatory, a Grade I winner this year, was third behind Goodnight Olive in the Ballerina.

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THE PARALLEL LIVES OF FIRST CAPTAIN & FLIGHTLINE

by Mike Kane

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY - It is very much an understatement to say that during the first week of August 2019, West Point Thoroughbreds and their partners really got it right when purchasing two yearling colts.

Maybe even struck gold. Time will tell.

On Monday, Aug. 5, 2019 at Fasig-Tipton's Saratoga Sale, West Point, headed by president and CEO Terry Finley, and a group of investors went to \$1 million for Hip 80, a son of Tapit out of Feathered (Indian Charlie). He was the session topper. Named **Flightline**, the lightly raced, unbeaten bay will be the heavy favorite Saturday in the \$1-million GI TVG Pacific Classic at Del Mar. **Cont. p3**

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Acting squirrely. Sammy the cat keeps an eye on the wildlife at Shug McGaughey's barn in Saratoga. | Sarah Andrew

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Flightline and First Captain cont. from p1

Some 24 hours later, West Point and partners spent \$1.5 million for Hip 174, a chestnut son of **Curlin** out of America (A.P. Indy). He was the auction's co-topper. Later named **First Captain**, he is one of the

headliners in the \$1-million GI Jockey Club Gold Cup to be run Saturday at Saratoga Race Course.

In between Del Mar and Saratoga at Kentucky Downs Saturday afternoon, West Point and partners will have **Cavalry Charge (Honor Code)** in yet another \$1-million race, the GIII Mint Million

Sent to high-profile trainers on either coast--Flightline to John Sadler in California and First Captain to Hall of Famer Shug McGaughey in New York--neither was ready to compete at age two and Flightline had to get past a nasty career-threatening injury while still on the farm. Coincidentally,



First Captain | Sarah Andrew

the colts broke their maidens a continent apart on same day, Apr. 24, 2021, in their '**TDN Rising Star**'-worthy debuts.

Fifteen months have passed and First Captain and Flightline have important matching dates again, this time 1 1/4-mile tests within a few hours and approximately 2,850 miles from each other. Finley and his wife Debbie, the co-founders of West Point, had to select which race to attend and will be at Del Mar. Finley said he has mixed emotions about skipping First Captain's try to add a Grade I to his resume.

"I really like this horse. I really do," Finley said. "He's a cool horse to be around, he's always been, and he's a really fun horse to watch in person. I think that's a good way to put it. It will be bittersweet. You know that we'll be tied into it out there on the TV screen at Del Mar."

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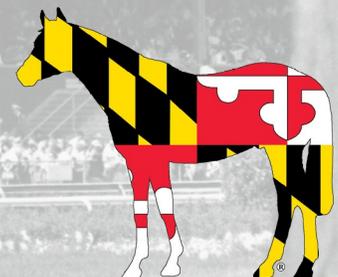
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First Captain lived up to his hype last year and won his first three starts, topped by the GIII Dwyer S., after which he finished third in his first attempt around two turns in the **Curlin S.** at Saratoga. McGaughey was not satisfied with the way he was training and the colt was not entered again until late February. He won that optional claimer at Gulfstream, bombed in the GI Carter H. and won the GIII Pimlico Special. Finley said he was disappointed when First Captain was beaten a nose by Dynamic One (**Union Rags**) in the GII Suburban S., his most recent start July 9.

"He ran a winning race and the winner ran a winning race, too," Finley said. "We just didn't have the benefit of the final pieces, or the final slice of luck there. But they're tough to get into and when we get beat--we got beat a half an inch--they sting. There's no doubt they sting when you run that well, you put in such a good effort, and you don't get the W. It doesn't go away like overnight, that's for sure. But we've got a shot to redeem ourselves. We're all feeling very, very good about our chances here."



Shug McGaughey | Sarah Andrew

First Captain, co-owned by West Point, Siena Farm, his breeder Bobby Flay and Woodford Racing, was not entered in Saratoga's 1 1/8 miles GI Whitney S., dominated by Life is Good (Into Mischief). McGaughey has worked him six times at Saratoga this summer. Two of the four visits to the main track produced bullet times. He covered a half-mile in :49.50 Sunday.

McGaughey said he was pleased with the way First Captain breezed, liked the way he galloped out and deemed him ready for the Gold Cup.

"He's had a great year," McGaughey said. "He won a race. I made a mistake and ran him in the Carter. He came back and won the Pimlico Special and got beat nose or something in the Suburban. What else more could you ask him to do?"

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Hip 589 | c. Nyquist – Co Cola

Half-brother to Search Results, second in the Personal Ensign S. (G1) Aug. 27

Consigned by Machmer Hall Sales, agent

Hip 851 | f. Gun Runner – Tamboz

Half-sister to Creative Minister, third in the Smarty Jones S. (G3) Aug. 23

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Hip 873 | c. Good Magic – Vivo Per Lei

Half-brother to Pipeline, third in the Forego S. (G1) Aug. 27

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Hip 1099 | f. American Freedom – Memories Prevail

Half-sister to Zandon, third in the Travers S. (G1) Aug. 27

Consigned by Brereton C. Jones/Airdrie Stud Inc., agent

Hip 1600 | f. Tapiture – Silent Candy

Half-sister to Epicenter, winner of the Travers S. (G1) Aug. 27

Consigned by Blandford Stud (Padraig Campion), agent for Westwind Farms

Hip 1874 | c. Malibu Moon – Kissin Kim

Half-brother to Kissalot, second in the Smarty Jones S. (G3) Aug. 23

Consigned by Buckland Sales (Zach Madden), agent

Hip 1938 | f. West Coast – More Respect

Half-sister to High Opinion, third in the Ballston Spa S. (G2) Aug. 27

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent

Hip 2328 | c. Practical Joke – Midnight Magic

Half-brother to Midnight Stroll, third in the Charles Town Oaks (G3) Aug. 26

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McGaughey said the jump from the Suburban to the Gold Cup was his plan for First Captain, who has a record of 5-1-1 from eight races, to give him two months between starts and prep him for a potential run in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

"The reason I didn't run into Whitney is I thought it would be more effective going from a mile and a quarter race back to a mile and a quarter race with the time in between," McGaughey said. "If he ran good, there's another mile a quarter race the first part of November. The timing would set him up great. The distance is perfect. I never had the Whitney on my mind, whether Life Is Good was in there or who was in there. I very seldom duck horses."

McGaughey blames himself for the Carter Apr. 9. He ended up last in the field of seven, nearly 20 lengths behind Speakers Corner (**Street Sense**).



Flightline led by breeder Jane Lyon | Sarah Andrew

"I really didn't have a place to run him. We decided to take a shot," McGaughey said. "Obviously, he didn't have that kind of speed and he ran bad. I shouldn't have run him there."

In his first start wearing blinkers and with Luis Saez up, First Captain finished strongly to edge Vindictive (**Uncle Mo**) by a head in the 1 3/16-mile Pimlico Special. Though he was just beaten in the Suburban, McGaughey said First Captain is now in the type of races that suit his breeding and ability.

"I think he's a distance dirt horse," McGaughey said. "He's by **Curlin**, who was a distance dirt horse, out of an A.P. Indy mare. A.P. Indy means long. I think it's in his pedigree that he wants to run farther."

After a couple of races and being up for the latest breeze, Finley said he thinks Saez has a better understanding of how to ride the colt. The blinkers have been a plus, Finley said, by keeping First Captain a bit closer to the pacesetters.

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JACK CHRISTOPHER impressed once again at The Spa on Saturday for Chad Brown

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"When you get up and you're running against better and better horses, it really comes down to small things in the small edges," Finley said. "You're not always certain that you're going to pick up an edge by making an equipment change, but I think it's given us a little bit of a push forward, certainly. He's good, he's impressive and he tries. Aside from the Carter, he's really put in a good effort every time he stepped on the racetrack."

Flightline quickly went from an eagerly anticipated prospect to a monster with his 13 1/4-length score in the six-furlong maiden race in April of last year. He added to his reputation with a 12 3/4-length romp in early September after missing some time with a foot bruise. Sadler and the ownership group of Hronis Racing, Siena Farm, his breeder Summer Wind Equine, Woodford Racing and West Point, opted to skip the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint and waited for the GI Malibu Dec. 26. He easily handled the competition by 11 1/2 lengths. On June 11, he improved to 4-for-4 with an electrifying six-length victory in the GI Met Mile.

Next up is Del Mar's marquee race and he is likely to be a short-priced favorite once again.

"This is a huge ask of this horse," Finley said. "I can't think of another horse that the connections have been as confident or confident enough to run him the first time two turns going a mile and a quarter against, what do we have?"

Typical of a \$1-million Grade I race, it attracted a slew of graded stakes winners, including G1 Dubai World Cup champ Country Grammer (**Tonalist**).

There's no doubt that we think he's a very, very special horse," Finley said, "but we are throwing a lot at him. He's got to answer several questions. There are going to be fastballs that are coming out of them on Saturday. Let's see what he does with a world-class fastball."

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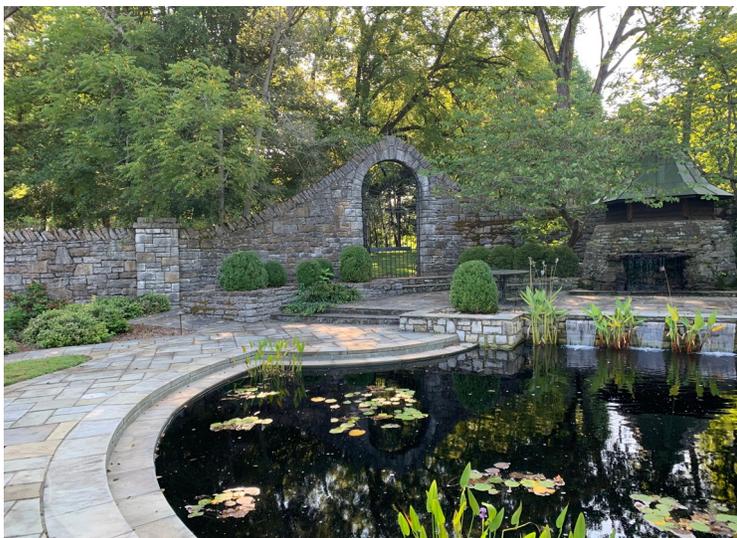


Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa cont. from p1

On top of that, freshman sire **Army Mule** had three winners over the weekend and ranks fifth on the first-crop list by progeny earnings (third by winners, with 11), behind barnmate and champion **Good Magic**, already the sire of a Grade II winner, in fourth place.

Sikura knows stallions. On the former Hill 'n' Dale property near Lexington, he started out the careers of leading sires **Candy Ride (Arg)** and **Medaglia d'Oro**, who are now at Lane's End and Darley, respectively.

In between the two weekends of Hill 'n' Dale stallion fireworks, I visited Sikura at Xalapa last Wednesday with WTC colleague and pedigree analyst Frances J. Karon, also a writer, photographer, and racing historian. Sikura, originally from Canada, isn't a typical elite Kentucky stud farm type; for one, he doesn't wear the ubiquitous uniform of the pastel button-down shirt and khaki trousers. He greeted us in a t-shirt and blue jeans, and he looked as if he'd be as equally comfortable in the raucous stands of an ice rink (he played hockey) as he would in a tranquil art gallery (he owns several paintings by celebrated Lexington-based sporting artist Andre Pater). He spoke passionately of the unique history of Xalapa; next to his desk were two large bags of wildflower seeds strewn on the floor. "I like flowers," he said casually, when we noticed. Indeed, Xalapa is enchantingly covered with various species of unique flowers, plants, and trees, both imported and native, and Sikura has done his part to add to the foliage, planting many more trees and shrubs to the clusters already mature on the land.



A garden designed by noted landscape architect Jens Jensen
Sid Fernando

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Sikura likes falconry, too, and has a red-tailed hawk that he trains to hunt housed in her own small building. Aside from his acute eye for horses and the business of buying and selling them, he's got varied interests, talents, and a keen sense of history, and they are dovetailing in his attention to detail at Xalapa. "The history of a place is more important than the sales yearling averages and prices everyone writes about," he said.

After a tour of the offices, a series of interconnected stone and wooden structures that once served as the main residence, we piled into Sikura's pickup for a trek around Xalapa. It lasted close to three hours and was a magical mystery tour of unique landscaping with natural pools, some of which once housed fish supplied by an in-house fish hatchery; stone and log buildings and barns; unique and meticulously crafted stone walls, masonry, and statues; bridges; a famous limestone water tower; a millhouse



John Sikura | Keeneland

next to Stoner Creek with a sculpture of Daniel Boone in bas relief affixed to its front façade, a work of art by the important artist Henry Augustus Lukeman—his World War I bronze is celebrated in Prospect Park, Brooklyn; remnants of a one-mile training track next to a historic and massive training barn that's now been converted to the stallion barn; and an 1827 Federal architectural brick home that Sikura and his family now occupy as their residence.

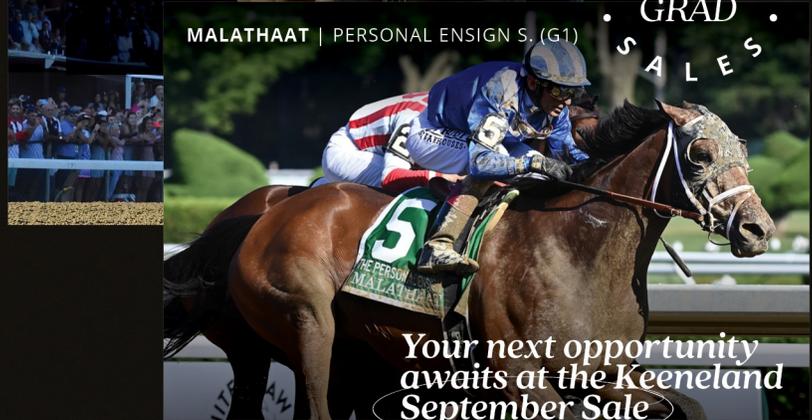
The newer barns that Sikura has constructed are in a style that melds harmoniously with the old, and old and new structures alike have been made consistent with new slate roofs. Sikura noted that the farm, which is more than 100 years old and encompasses rolling hills and valleys, had been originally designed with a sophisticated drainage system that empties into parts of Stoner Creek, and the land, therefore, is mineral rich and fertile with this natural process of moving earth. **Cont. p9**

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A Federal-style home built in 1827 | Sid Fernando

Frankly, there isn't another farm in Kentucky with quite the physical presence and aesthetic beauty of Xalapa, and the closest approximation to the awe I felt touring it came previously from a visit 30-odd years ago to the historic Argentine stud Haras Ojo de Agua, another 100-years-plus facility now shuttered as a breeder of racehorses.

Some History

Ojo de Agua bred Forli (Arg), the sire of the great Forego; and Dorine (Arg), second dam of the great Personal Ensign. Both of those influential imports resided at Claiborne, about seven miles away from the main gate at Xalapa. In the 1960s and through the early 1970s, Bull Hancock leased the training barn and track at Xalapa for the stock of Claiborne and its clients, and he

oversaw the breaking and early training of numerous champions at Xalapa, including Buckpasser and Ruffian, among many others. Sikura pointed out a log cabin--"Bull's Cabin"--adjacent to the training barn and track that Hancock had used during his stays on the farm. Hancock also leased part of the property as a Claiborne stallion annex--Bold Reasoning, the sire of Seattle Slew, stood there--and Epsom Derby winners Nijinsky and Sir Ivor, both of whom came to Claiborne in 1970 from Ireland, quarantined at Xalapa before moving to the main Claiborne property. In fact, photographer Barbara Livingston recently posted a rare photo on Twitter of Nijinsky at Xalapa next to the training barn, taken on Nov. 21, 1970 by photographer John C. Wyatt.



The old Xalapa training barn has been converted to the stallion barn at Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa | Sid Fernando

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Claiborne, of course, is one of the most storied of farms and is more than 100 years old as well, but there was a time in the 1920s and 1930s that its neighbor Xalapa was as equally well known as a stud farm and breeder--Xalapa bred 1950 Broodmare of the Year Hildene, a foundation mare for Christopher Chenery's Meadow Stud and the dam of sire First Landing. Two of the most well-known stallions in the 1920s, the high-priced European imports Prince Palatine and Negofol, stood at the farm, as did Eternal, perhaps the most successful sire at Xalapa. None of them, however, was in the class of **Curlin**. His presence at Xalapa will be as significant for future historians as the farm's past is now.

Since Sikura bought the property, much has been written of its history, and a Google search will yield many articles that repeat the well-known narrative: that Edward F. Simms and his brother William E. Simms of Bourbon County inherited the property upon the death of their father; that E.F. Simms, a Yale graduate with a degree in engineering and later an attorney, made his fortune in oil from his then-base in Texas and later returned home to Bourbon County fabulously wealthy, buying out his brother's share in Xalapa, in 1914 or 1915; that with extraordinary wealth behind him--he reportedly made \$20 million from the sale of oil fields in 1917 alone--Simms developed Xalapa into a showplace and began breeding and

racing horses on a grand scale; and that until his death in 1938, the year Hildene was foaled, he experienced several ups and downs of fortune. Simms suffered financial losses in the early 1920s around the time of the Teapot Dome Scandal (an oil partner, Harry Sinclair, owner of Rancocas Stud, was implicated), leading to a complete dispersal of Xalapa stock in 1924. Simms again suffered a massive blow in the 1929 stock market crash. In 1930, probably strapped for cash, Simms sold his private training center and track off Nelson Ave. in Saratoga to John Hay Whitney of Greentree Stud for a value between \$350,000 and \$400,000, according to the *New York Times*. Darley currently owns the facility still known as Greentree.

Simms, however, did recover years later, making a reported \$26 million from the sale of oil assets in 1937. After his death in 1938, Xalapa dispersed its stock in 1939, and it was from this dispersal that Meadow Stud purchased Hildene.

Simms's widow continued to own the farm, but by the 1950s Xalapa was out of the horse business and its grand training barn was housing farm machinery. After the Hancock era at Xalapa, Simms's granddaughter, Lillie Webb, revived the farm and started breeding horses on the property again. Her operation produced, among others of note, 1991 Group 1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Suave Dancer, a grandson of Nijinsky.

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Some years after Webb died, her children sold the main portion of the farm; other segments had been sold through the years from the roughly 2,800 acres that Simms had collected.

Sikura has reconstituted the main parts of Simms's Xalapa, most recently purchasing an adjacent property called Stoner Mill, on which sits a luxurious building known as the "Tree House"-- there's a tree trunk in the foyer that acts as a supporting buttress--that Sikura offers as a high-end Airbnb rental. "That saddle belonged to Elvis Presley and it's been authenticated," Sikura said as he showed us decorative artifacts around the house. Upstairs, Sikura pointed out a secret door that had once been a bookcase that wheeled back to hide a room that perhaps was used to hide alcohol during Prohibition.

Sikura drove us to his residence on a path that runs for more than a mile from the main gate, winding gently through a

beautifully landscaped portion of land with natural vegetation that's been attributed to iconic landscape architect Jens Jensen, whose work in Chicago's parks system is highly acclaimed and prized. Jensen's landscape architecture of private homes

includes gardens at Airdrie Stud, part of which was owned by Simms's sister-in-law in 1917, the year Jensen worked on the project, according to the National Register of Historic Places. The Jensen influence is even more apparent in the gardens behind Sikura's home, which includes a stone wall and a pond.

There's a newspaper account in the *Lexington Herald* of May 26, 1917, taken from the *The Bourbon News*, of the famed hospitality of the master of Xalapa. Simms threw a huge

party at Xalapa shortly after his \$20-million score from a few months earlier.



Sikura in his kitchen making pizza | Sid Fernando

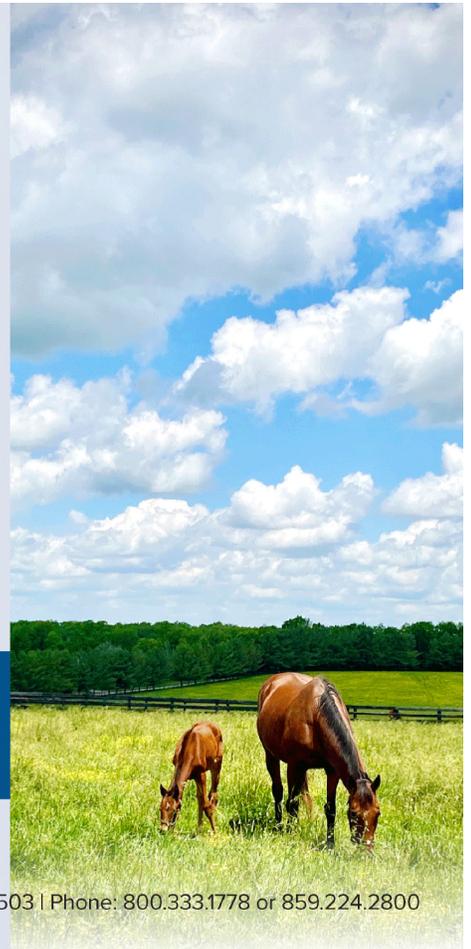
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Seemingly everyone in the county was invited to Xalapa for a fish fry “irrespective of sex/age, color, or previous condition of servitude, political or religious beliefs, the only qualification necessary being their ability to enjoy themselves. And they did!”

When we got to Sikura’s residence, he channeled Simms and went straight to the kitchen to offer us an excellent red wine. Then, he started kneading his own homemade dough for pizza, and right there in front of us he made two excellent thin-crust pies, as good as any I’ve had in Brooklyn.

Afterwards, we went out back to enjoy the Jensen garden, and then sat around a low table on a patio deck. Sikura seemed content. “Put your feet up and relax,” he said.

We did.

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UNDEFEATED, UNTESTED, VERY FAST: IOWA-BRED TYLER’S TRIBE EYES BREEDERS’ CUP



Tyler's Tribe | Coady Photography

by Bill Finley

Can an Iowa-bred who sold for just \$34,000 as a yearling, one who has never raced outside Prairie Meadows or in a graded stakes race, an Iowa-bred that is ridden by a female apprentice jockey and named for an 8-year-old who has been battling leukemia win a Breeders’ Cup race? We are about to find out.

Tyler’s Tribe (**Sharp Azteca**) may not be the best 2-year-old in training, but no juvenile anywhere this year has thrashed his competition to the extent that this gelding has. After winning last Saturday’s Prairie Meadows Freshman S. by 15 1/2 lengths, Tyler’s Tribe’s improved his record to 4-for-4 and has won his starts by a combined 53 1/4 lengths. It was after his last performance that his connections announced that Tyler’s Tribe

will be pointed to the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint.

With any horse who is beating up on suspect competition, there is always the worry that they will crash once asked to face better. That could be the case with Tyler’s Tribute, but his Beyer Speed Figures say otherwise. He got a 94 Beyer in the Prairie Meadows Freshman, which is tied for the third-best number given to any 2-year-old so far this year.

“We think he is the real deal,” said co-owner Tom Lepic. “We don’t know how good he is because he’s never been pushed. We know right now that he is awfully, awfully good, but he could be a lot better than he has shown. We just don’t know.”

It was Lepic who discovered the horse at the Iowa Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners’ Association Fall Mixed Sale 2021 and told his trainer and now co-owner Tim Martin that this was a horse he had to have.

“The only reason we bought him was because of what he looked like,” Martin said. “If you saw the picture of him we saw you’d know what I’m talking about. He looked like a horse who’d be selling for a lot in Kentucky. You won’t see many yearlings anywhere who looked better than he did. He just stood out.”

What Martin and Lepic didn’t know at the time was that the horse’s pedigree was a lot better than anyone could have imagined. He is from the first crop of Three Chimneys’ white-hot stallion **Sharp Azteca**, who has performed well above expectations and has turned his \$5,000 stud fee into one of the biggest bargains in the breeding industry. **Sharp Azteca** is the leading North American freshman sire in terms of wins and winners.

By June, Martin had Tyler’s Tribe ready and put him in a 4 1/2-furlong maiden race at Prairie Meadows for Iowa-breds. With apprentice Kylee Jordan aboard, he won by 16 3/4 lengths.

“Before he ran, I thought he was something special. But how special?” Martin said “You just don’t know until they race.”

He then won an open stakes by 8 1/2 lengths and a stakes for Iowa-breds by 12 1/2. The offers from bloodstock agents were rolling in, but Martin and Lepic decided early on that their star was not for sale. One of the reasons why Lepic wouldn’t consider offers for the horse is the sentimental value attached to his name. He is named after his grandson, who was diagnosed with leukemia two years ago. He reports that his grandson has made steady progress and is as healthy now as he has been at any point since the diagnosis.

“Tim told me that he had no desire to sell him, that he was the best horse he’s ever trained,” Lepic said. “We immediately decided that it didn’t make any difference what offers we got, we weren’t going to sell him. I told Tim that horse meant so much to our family, with him being named after my grandson and with him being such a blessing to us and everyone around us. We are fortunate enough financially that we don’t need to sell him.” **Cont. p13**

The plan now is to run the horse one more time before the Breeders' Cup, in the Oct. 1 Iowa Cradle, a \$100,000 stakes for Iowa bred at Prairie Meadows. Ideally, there would be a Breeders' Cup sprint race on the dirt for 2-year-olds, but that isn't an option. So Martin, who says he's not ready just yet to try the horse at longer distances, plans to try him on the turf for the first time in the Breeders' Cup.

"I think we'll be fine on the turf," Lepic said. "We've seen other Sharp Aztecas win on the grass and our plan is to get to Keeneland for the Breeders' Cup about a month out from the race and get him settled in. That should give us enough time to get him ready for the turf."

Then there's the jockey. Jordan was the leading rider earlier this year at Will Rogers Downs and currently leads the Prairie Meadows standings with 58 wins. Not only has she never ridden in a Breeders' Cup race, she has all of one career mount in a graded stakes. And she's an apprentice. No apprentice jockey has ever won a Breeders' Cup race. Martin and Lepic could easily sign up one of the top riders in the sport, but Martin said the plan is to stick with Jordan.

"I feel like she knows the horse and he knows her," he said. "They've been together since he got to the track and she started breezing him. I like her riding style. She is relaxed and she calms horses down when she gets on them. She just has a way with horses that I like. I never rode girls much before, but when I saw her first starting riding I really liked her. I prefer to stay with her. She knows the horse and hasn't done anything wrong, so we are going to go with her."

Tyler's Tribe should win his next start no problem and then the questions can begin all over again. He could be a plucky underdog who falls short in the big leagues or a horse who, no matter who he is by, where he is from, and who he is ridden by, is just a very good, very fast horse. What will it be?

"I don't know how good he is," Martin said. "He's never been challenged, so it's hard to say. I can't wait to find out."

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BAFFERT RETURNS TO STAND FOR SIXTH AND FINAL DQ APPEAL SESSION

by Katie Petrunyak

Just a few days short of exactly two years after her third-place finish and eventual disqualification in the 2020 GI Kentucky Oaks, Gamine (Into Mischief) was brought to the forefront once again when Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert made his second appearance on the witness stand during the final session of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission's appeal hearing.

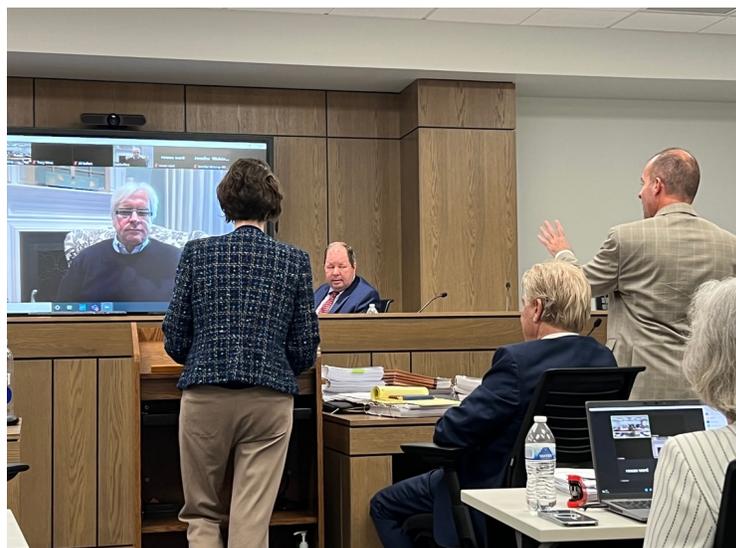
Baffert originally filed the appeal that led to this six-day hearing to clear from his record a 90-day suspension that he has

already served and to also reverse Medina Spirit (Protonico)'s disqualification from the 2021 GI Kentucky Derby.

While Baffert was present in the Frankfort, Kentucky court when he first testified on Monday, Aug. 22, he returned to the stand virtually on Tuesday.

Baffert's attorney Craig Robertson began his questioning of Baffert by tackling Gamine's Kentucky Oaks where in her post-race testing, she tested positive for betamethasone--the same corticosteroid that led to Medina Spirit's disqualification from the 2021 Kentucky Derby eight months later. As has been articulated already during the hearing, Baffert explained that Gamine was administered betamethasone via intra-articular injection 18 days before the race, which was outside of the 14-day suggested withdrawal time.

Robertson asked Baffert about his initial reaction upon learning of Gamine's positive test.



Baffert testifies during the final session of the KHRC hearing

Katie Petrunyak

"I told my veterinarians at Santa Anita that I do not want the use of betamethasone in my barn," the trainer said. "They were all aware that we would not inject these horses with betamethasone...I told them the science isn't right. Gamine should never have gotten in trouble...I didn't want any issues and we still got in trouble."

Later on during the testimony, Robertson presented a similar question when he asked Baffert what his reaction was upon learning of Medina Spirit's positive test for betamethasone.

"It hit me so hard," Baffert said. "It was chaos. I knew when I got that call that my whole life was going to change that day. I immediately called my veterinarian Vince Baker...to find out what happened. He explained to me that there was no scientific way, that [Medina Spirit] did not get injected with betamethasone."

Later asked how he has been affected by the events that have transpired since Medina Spirit's positive test was first announced, Baffert said, "It's been tough on everyone because we felt that we didn't break any rules, yet the media was being hard on us. They did a lot of big pieces and used the word 'doping' and all that."

Robertson's questioning of Baffert also covered the overturned ruling in Arkansas with Gamine and **Charlatan**, the presentation of a photo of Medina Spirit's skin rash that Baffert said led to the administration of the topical ointment Otomax, and also got into the details of how Baffert was informed of the news that Medina Spirit had tested positive for betamethasone and the events that followed.

When it came time for Jennifer Wolsing, the general counsel for the KHRC, to cross-examine Baffert, Wolsing turned the conversation back to Gamine. She first brought up a point she had made during Baffert's first testimony last week that while the suggested withdrawal time of 14 days for a betamethasone administration is in the case of a single injection, Gamine received injections of betamethasone in both hocks prior to her Kentucky Oaks performance.

"I rely on my veterinarians and I know he treated her 18 days out," Baffert said in response.

Wolsing then referenced Baffert's previous statement of discontinuing the use of betamethasone in his barn after Gamine's positive. She read a portion of the drug label for Otomax, which included the corticosteroid betamethasone valerate.

"I have to rely on my veterinarians," Baffert said again. "This horse had a skin rash that was getting ready to get out of control and they jumped on it right away."

At the close of her cross-examination, Wolsing noted that Baffert won the Los Alamitos Derby with High Connection (**Connect**) on July 9, 2022 immediately after serving the 90-day suspension.

"You did return and you returned triumphantly," Wolsing said. "You can't say you're not doing extremely well right now."

"I lost some really nice horses," Baffert replied.

Also during Tuesday's hearing, Amr Zedan, founder of Zedan Racing Stable which campaigned Medina Spirit, took to the witness stand virtually from Jordan.

Craig Robertson asked Zedan about his background, how he got involved in U.S. racing and his relationship with Baffert. When asked if he has found Baffert to ever be untruthful or evasive, Zedan was quick to answer.

"To the contrary," he explained. "And thank you for asking that question because everyone knows that I have a friendship with Mr. Baffert and the fact that I have a friendship is a result of all the good he has done for me and my family since day

one...People confuse the person with the persona. People have stereotypes [in differentiating] the persona--with him being the face of the sport, which he actually is--from the person. The person is someone that is outstanding with his family and his friends."

During his cross-examination by KHRC attorney Luke Morgan, Zedan took an opportunity to defend his trainer and said, "There's no upside for anyone here. The sport we all love has been tarnished. Bob Baffert has served his punishment and has been humiliated. His family's reputation has been dragged through the gutter because of all of this...And frankly speaking, Medina [Spirit] has proven to be the best horse in his crop. He's beaten the horses that competed against him over and over again. The horse, for God's sakes, died. Everyone has been punished. Let's just not punish the horse any further. That's all I ask."

Tuesday's session concluded with closing arguments from both sides.

Brewster spoke first and opened with a list of 16 'Admitted Facts' that he said he believed all were without genuine dispute. Among them, he explained that betamethasone was ruled by the KHRC as a Class C medication on the basis of it being an intra-articular injection and said the KHRC was not presented with any study or basis for a decision to enact a rule related to a topical treatment that contained betamethasone valerate as a component.

"What we have here is an agency that has made no rule, has had no consideration and has made no decision whatsoever as to a topical ointment involving betamethasone valerate," Brewster said.

While one of Brewster's main points was that the KHRC rules refer to only the injectable form of betamethasone, Wolsing began her closing arguments with a statement that suggested the opposite of the point that has been belabored heavily over the past 15 months.

"There has been a lot of testimony about ointments and injections and picograms," she said. "I am here to suggest that we need a dose of common sense. Medina Spirit tested positive for betamethasone. The regulations and the science make no distinction between how the betamethasone got in the horse. If it's positive, it's prohibited...Ultimately under KHRC regulations, like the regulations of every other racing jurisdiction, Mr. Baffert is responsible for the condition of Medina Spirit."

Using a dry erase board to present her points, Wolsing again brought up the case of Gamine to make the comparison between the events that transpired with both the positive betamethasone test for Gamine, and subsequently, the positive test for Medina Spirit.

"You have the same drug, the same response, the same amount of medication and, Your Honor, you also have the same sort of excuse: I relied on my vet," Wolsing said. "Similarly, you have the same culprit. [You have] the same person who is held responsible for the medication positives: Mr. Baffert."

Wolsing went on to explain that she believed Medina Spirit's positive test was "even more egregious" because Baffert had been made aware of the limit of detection rule and the 14-day stand down period for betamethasone after Gamine's positive test for the same corticosteroid.

Now that the hearing has concluded, hearing officer Clay Patrick will examine the case. Patrick said that he had 60 days from the time of receiving the transcript to arrive at a ruling that the KHRC may or may not choose to accept. Further appeals may proceed from there.

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MELANCON ARRESTED ON EVANGELINE 'BUZZER' CHARGE

by T.D. Thornton

Jockey Gerard Melancon, a mainstay atop the riding standings in his home state of Louisiana, was arrested Aug. 26 on a charge related to the alleged possession of an electrical shocking device after Evangeline Downs stewards reported an "incident" to state police.

Ray Paulick of *Paulick Report* had the scoop in a Tuesday story. He cited confirmations of the "unnatural stimulation of horses" arrest from the St. Landry Parish sheriff's office, the clerk of the parish court, and the Louisiana State Police. But details were scant because of an "ongoing investigation."

TDN attempted to contact the St. Landry Parish district attorney to find out about a court date, and whether Melancon had retained a lawyer, but had no luck reaching anyone who would comment prior to deadline for this story. Melancon himself could also not be reached for his side of the story.

The St. Landry Parish clerk of court told the *Paulick Report* that the 55-year-old Melancon was released on a \$20,000 bail bond.

Charles Gardiner, the executive director of the Louisiana State Racing Commission, told the *Paulick Report* that the state police and Evangeline stewards will conduct separate investigations. But, he added, a complicating factor in the stewards' investigation is that the Evangeline race meet has ended and the stewards are not considered to be on the job 48 hours after a meet ends.

Melancon went 0-for-4 riding at Evangeline last Wednesday, Aug. 24. He was named there on mounts Thursday and Friday but did not ride either card. The day following his arrest, Melancon rode the closing-day Evangeline card Aug. 27, then rode at Louisiana Downs Aug. 28. He is named to ride at

Louisiana Downs Sept. 4, 5, and 6.

Melancon has won 5,079 races from 32,444 mounts dating to 1984. In June of 2021, when profiled in the *Rayne-Acadian Tribune* for **winning his 5,000th race**, Melancon acknowledged issues in his 20s with alcohol and cocaine that nearly derailed his life and riding career. But he said he quit abusing substances in 1989 and has claimed sobriety as a recovering addict ever since.

Prior to that, Melancon's name had surfaced two alleged Louisiana race-fixing scandals.

In 1986, Melancon was named as an "unindicted co-conspirator" in the investigation of an allegedly fixed Fair Grounds race in which he purportedly received \$500 from another jockey to hold back his horse. Published news accounts at the time stated that Melancon had testified before a grand jury against the fellow riders who ended up being indicted.

In April of 1987, after jockey Bryan Jenkins was allegedly caught with an illegal shocking device at Evangeline, he testified at a racing commission hearing that Melancon had handed the device to him after obtaining it from a pony person, according to coverage of the incident in the *Shreveport Times*.

Even though he was never indicted in either case, citing the race-fixing allegations, the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission refused to license him to ride in the 1992 GI Kentucky Derby.

In 2021, Melancon was **named as a finalist** for the Mike Venezia Memorial Award, which the New York Racing Association awards to a jockey who displays extraordinary sportsmanship and citizenship.

This summer, on June 29, Melancon joined a federal lawsuit in which two states, the Jockeys' Guild, and various Louisiana-based "covered persons" under the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) are trying to get HISA derailed on alleged non-constitutionality grounds and for alleged non-compliance with federal rulemaking procedures.

WITH ANTICIPATION TOPS CLOSING WEEK KICKOFF CARD

The final week of the Saratoga meet kicks off Wednesday with a 10-race card highlighted by the GIII With Anticipation S. for juvenile turf colts. With the majority of the 10-horse field coming off maiden wins, horseplayers have a variety of ways to go in the betting.

Freshman sire **City of Light** could get his first black-type winner with **Battle of Normandy** in this event. The \$500,000 FTSAUG buy captured his course-and-distance debut Aug. 6 by 2 1/4 lengths after a wide trip. His dam Adorable Miss (Kitten's Joy) was a two-time stakes winner on turf.

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Our Dream Rye'd could pay fitting tribute to his recently deceased and legendary sire **More Than Ready** with a win Wednesday. After failing in his career bow sprinting on dirt at Churchill in June, the \$210,000 OBSAPR purchase rallied from last to first when stretched to this distance on the Saratoga lawn July 30.



Battle of Normandy | Sarah Andrew

“He’s an improving colt,” trainer Ian Wilkes said. “We had no grass at Churchill, so I just used the [debut] race to get a good education in him, get him running, get him started and get him moving. He came here and lived up to what I thought he could do in his last race. He’s trained even better now for this next race and he’s improved, but he’s going to have to because you’re running against winners now.”

Also stepping up off a first-out graduation going 1 1/16 miles at this oval is **Lachaise (Oscar Performance)**, who bested fellow EmpireObreds Aug. 4. The Larry Goichman homebred also represents a first-season sire seeking his first black-type score.

Oscar Performance is also represented by **And the winner is**, who gets back on turf here. Rallying to victory after a slow start in his turf sprint unveiling at Keeneland in April, the Wayne Catalano pupil tried dirt next out in Churchill’s Bashford Manor S. July 4, finishing third behind next-out GII Saratoga Special S. runner-up Gulfport (**Uncle Mo**).

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FAIR GROUNDS ANNOUNCES 12 NEW LA-BRED STAKES, EARLIER START FOR 2022-23 MEET



Racing at Fair Grounds | Hodges Photography

A total of 65 stakes worth a combined \$8.5 million, up more than \$700,000 from last season, will be offered during Fair Grounds’s 80-day, 2022-23 Thoroughbred meet, Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots announced Tuesday. In each of the 13 unrestricted, non-graded stakes, purses have been increased by \$25,000. In addition, 12 new Louisiana-bred stakes have been added to the schedule, including six over the first two days of the meet.

“We worked with the Louisiana Thoroughbred Breeders Association and Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association to come up with these new stakes,” said Fair Grounds’ racing secretary Scott Jones. “We’re proud to have worked together for the betterment of our sport to create not only the best stakes schedule, but also the richest program we’ve ever offered in the state.”

The traditional Thanksgiving opening will give way to an earlier start to the meet, with opening day slated for Friday, Nov. 18. Six inaugural \$75,000 Louisiana-bred stakes will be run over the dirt course on the season’s first two days. Fillies and mares take center stage on Friday in the Happy Ticket (six furlongs) and the Big World (1 mile and 70 yards), both for 3-year-olds and up. The Donovan L. Ferguson Memorial, a 5 1/2-furlong event for 2-year-olds, will also be carded on opening day. Saturday’s trio of stakes are a mirror-image in terms of age, distance and surface, but these open Louisiana-bred events are highlighted by a six-furlong dirt sprint named in honor of Ivery Sisters Racing’s multiple stakes-winning fan favorite Monte Man, who retired from racing last year at age nine. **Cont. p17**

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“Coming off a very successful 150th anniversary season we can’t wait to welcome fans back to experience the best winter racing in New Orleans starting in November,” said Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots’ president Doug Shipley. “We have made significant investments at the track which includes our new \$1.5-million dollar state-of-the-art toteboard. The new board is one of the best in the country and provides an unparalleled experience. While our season will officially begin Nov. 18, we will still have our Thanksgiving day celebration that has become a staple for the residents of New Orleans.”

GII Louisiana Derby Day is scheduled for Saturday, Mar. 25, and it will card eight stakes worth a total of \$2.6 million. The 80-day, 2022-2023 Fair Grounds racing season runs through Sunday, Mar. 26. Regular post time will be 1:05 p.m. CT, but opening day post time is 3:00 p.m. CT. There will be an earlier noon CT first post on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 24), Louisiana Champions Day (Dec. 10), Road to the Derby Kickoff Day (Dec. 26), Road to the Derby Day (Jan. 21) Louisiana Derby Preview Day (Feb. 18), and Louisiana Derby Day (March 25).

For the complete stakes schedule, [click here](#).

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WEEKLY RULINGS: AUG. 22-28

by Dan Ross

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

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

With the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) having gone into effect July 1, the *TDN* will also post a roundup of the relevant HISA-related rulings from the same week.

California

Track: Del Mar

Date: 08/26/2022

Licensee: James Marsden, owner

Penalty: Suspended license

Violation: Financial responsibility

Explainer: Owner James Marsden, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Del Mar Race Track on Aug. 25, 2022, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility- \$343.75 to KC Horse Transport). Suspension to commence on Sept. 2, 2022. During the term of

this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of James Marsden are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

Track: Del Mar

Date: 08/28/2022

Licensee: Ruben Alvarado, trainer

Penalty: \$1,000

Violation: Improper report of gelding

Explainer: Trainer Ruben Alvarado is fined \$1,000 pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) and for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse Anmer Hall who was scheduled to run in the eighth race at Santa Anita Park on June 19, 2022, which resulted in a late declaration.
New York

Track: Saratoga

Date: 08/24/2022

Licensee: Joel Rosario, jockey

Penalty: Three-day suspension

Violation: Careless riding

Explainer: For having waived his right to appeal Jockey Joel Rosario is hereby suspended three (3) NYRA racing days August 28th 2022, August 31st 2022, September 1st 2022 inclusive. This for careless riding during the running of the third race at Saratoga racecourse on Aug. 18, 2022.

Track: Saratoga

Date: 08/24/2022

Licensee: Irad Ortiz, jockey

Penalty: Three-day suspension

Violation: Careless riding

Explainer: For having waived his right to appeal Jockey Irad Ortiz Jr is hereby suspended three (3) NYRA racing days Aug. 31 2022, Sept. 1, 2022, Sept. 2, 2022, inclusive. This for careless riding during the running of the eight race at Saratoga racecourse on Aug. 18. 2022.

NEW HISA STEWARDS RULINGS

Note: While HISA has shared these rulings over the past week, some of them originate from prior weeks.

Violations of Crop Rule

Albuquerque Downs

Angel Perez - ruling date August 27, 2022

Frankie Martinez - ruling date August 27, 2022

Canterbury Park

Constantino Roman - ruling date August 14, 2022
Miguel Arroyo - ruling date August 14, 2022
Sofia Barandela - ruling date August 14, 2022
Crystal Conning - ruling date August 17, 2022
Eduardo Gallardo - ruling date August 18, 2022

Delaware Park

Horacio Karamanos - ruling date August 26, 2022
Jariro Rendon - ruling date August 27, 2022

Del Mar

Juan Hernandez - ruling date August 25, 2022
Joe Bravo - ruling date August 26, 2022

Evangeline Downs

Paulina Ramirez - ruling date August 19, 2022
Treyton Albert - ruling date August 20, 2022

Fanduel / Fairmount Park

Javier Tavares - ruling date August 27, 2022

Finger Lakes

Jose Rohena - ruling date August 24, 2022
Jeremias Flores - ruling date August 24, 2022
Steven Fret - ruling date August 24, 2022

Saratoga

Amin Castillo - ruling date August 26, 2022
Jose Gomez - ruling date August 26, 2022
Luis Rodriguez Castro - ruling date August 27, 2022
Jose Lezcano - ruling date August 27, 2022
Dylan Scott Davis - ruling date August 28, 2022

Thistledown

Alexander Chavez - ruling date August 25, 2022

Mountaineer Park

Jose Davila - ruling date August 24, 2022

Voided Claims**Ellis Park**

Maysville Miss - ruling date August 21, 2022

Canterbury Park

Shotgun River - ruling date August 14, 2022

Finger Lakes

Chris Englehart - ruling date August 29, 2022

Horseshoe Indianapolis

The Feature - ruling date August 24, 2022

Monmouth Park

Reckless Place - ruling date August 22, 2022
Ray Arewethereyet - ruling date August 27, 2022
Gennie Highway - ruling date August 27, 2022

Prairie Meadows

Lucky April - ruling date August 27, 2022

Belterra Park

Pepper Pike - ruling date August 22, 2022

Parx Racing

Outline - ruling date August 23, 2022
Starship Charly - ruling date August 24, 2022
Enraged - ruling date August 24, 2022
Uncle Gary G - ruling date August 24, 2022
Broad Jumper - ruling date August 24, 2022

Violations Involving Forfeiture of Purse**Thistledown**

Alexander Chavez - 13 strikes - \$500 fine, 3-day suspension; 5 points; horse disqualified from purse

Evangeline Downs

Paulina Ramirez - 12 strikes - \$500 fine, 3-day suspension; 5 points; horse disqualified; and purse redistributed

Albuquerque Downs

Frankie Martinez - owner, jockey did 13 strikes - purse redistribution

Appeal Request Updates**Mountaineer Park**

Jose Davila
Crop rule violation
Ruling date August 23, 2022
Appeal filed August 25, 2022
Stay requested and granted

Mountaineer Park

Jose Davila
Crop rule violation
Ruling date August 24, 2022
Appeal filed August 26, 2022
Stay requested and denied

Gulfstream Park

Chantal Sutherland

Crop rule violation

Ruling date August 21, 2022

Appeal filed August 26, 2022

Stay requested and granted

[Share this story](#) **THA OPEN LETTER ON HISA**

The Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association released the following letter on HISA. Click [here](#) to read the full letter.

Below is an excerpt from the letter:

"In short, HISA has survived constitutional challenges and the legal maneuverings now are just a distraction lacking substance. As the federal court said when it granted the limited injunction, if HISA fixes the four issues it specifically addressed as faulty, the case is over. Our view was previously, and continues to be, that litigation would be costly and there is little to gain. HISA was crafted by constitutional and administrative law experts who strongly believed then, and now, that HISA would survive expected constitutional challenges.

The best course for our horsemen is to engage with HISA directly and frequently. It is our strong opinion that HISA will survive all constitutional challenges and be accepted as the regulatory authority on medication, and equine safety and welfare throughout the country. We are not inclined to spend horsemen's money or time on a lost cause. Furthermore, we believe our efforts are working. The THA, along with TOC, KTA and TOBA have been in constant communication with HISA and the FTC since day one. We sought and have actually received significant adjustments to the following rules:

Pin-firing remains acceptable for curbs and splints.

- Rule 8400(1)(a), the search and seizure provision, has been significantly curtailed.
- Toe grabs remain permissible on hind shoes.
- While the medication and enforcement rules are not done yet, our initial comment to HISA was widely praised as targeted and responsible and dozens of changes have been made by HISA at our suggestion.

Just yesterday, HISA announced it is forming a Horsemen's Advisory Group, a glaring oversight, but one we are pleased they corrected.

In no way does this mean our work is done! In particular, the

THA and our coalition partners are focused on making sure the assessment plan is fair and affordable for all of our jurisdictions. We intend to forcefully and responsibly protect the interests of our horsemen on all matters related to HISA. You should expect nothing less from us. We believe our approach has not only been in the best interests of our membership but that we have earned the respect, credibility and trust of HISA. It is better for our members to have a seat at the table rather than being relegated to the upper bleachers.

Resoundingly our members have been telling us that long-sought uniformity is the one aspect they will enjoy from HISA. Achieving uniformity is not easy and compromises are often necessary. We promise you that working with HISA, we will do the best we can for the horse, our members, and our sport. Knowing that HISA is a reality and will be regulating our sport in the future, we hope we have your support and thank those who have reached out to us already in appreciation of what we are doing to allow for a smooth transition."

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The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance will sponsor the Kitten's Joy S. on closing day of the Colonial Downs meet. A presentation of a TAA blanket and swag bag will be made to the winning connections following the running of the race.

"We're thrilled to again partner with the TAA in sponsorship of the Kitten's Joy Stakes," said Colonial Downs Vice-President of Racing Operations, Jill Byrne. "We appreciate and value the importance of what the TAA provides to the industry and are happy to recognize their great efforts on our biggest day of the year, especially with a race named after one of the greatest Virginia Derby winners ever."

The TAA will host the Best Turned Out Horse awards sponsored by the Virginia Horsemen's Benevolent Protection Agency (HBPA) for every stake race on the Sep. 6 card. Winning grooms will receive a \$100 cash prize and a TAA swag bag.

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1/ST RACING and FanDuel TV are presenting sponsors for the inaugural Horse Racing Women's Summit that will take place Sept. 28-30 at Santa Anita Park. The core pillars of the HRWS are to remove barriers, to empower, to build inclusivity and leadership, to mentor, to develop and grow the sport.

"1/ST RACING is proud to be a title sponsor of the inaugural Horse Racing Women's Summit being held at our historic Santa Anita Park," said Aidan Butler, Chief Operating Officer, 1/ST RACING. **Cont. p20**

“While our industry has taken steps towards inclusivity in racing, there is more that needs to be done and I commend this group for continuing to push the envelope and open doors for our future leaders and industry participants.”

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2022 Leading First-Crop Sires by Black-Type Winners

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Earnings represent Worldwide figures, NH foals only, stud fees listed are 2022 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Justify (2015) by Scat Daddy FYR: 2020 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$100,000	4	5	3	3	--	--	31	11	165,710	974,158
2	Sharp Azteca (2013) by Freud FYR: 2020 Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$5,000	2	3	--	--	--	--	44	18	246,294	821,392
3	Girvin (2014) by Tale of Ekati FYR: 2020 Stands: Ocala Stud FL Fee: \$6,000	2	2	1	1	--	--	20	10	145,560	631,930
4	Bolt d'Oro (2015) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2020 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$20,000	1	5	--	1	--	--	45	12	104,160	841,350
5	Good Magic (2015) by Curlin FYR: 2020 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$30,000	1	2	1	1	--	--	31	10	205,200	723,533
6	Awesome Slew (2013) by Awesome Again FYR: 2020 Stands: Ocala Stud FL Fee: \$4,000	1	1	--	--	--	--	11	6	98,000	269,766
7	Free Drop Billy (2015) by Union Rags FYR: 2020 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$5,000	1	1	--	--	--	--	17	3	102,700	225,036
8	Gold Rush Dancer (2013) by Private Gold FYR: 2020 Stands: El Dorado Farms WA Fee: Private	1	1	--	--	--	--	5	3	40,612	77,337
9	Counterforce (2013) by Smart Strike FYR: 2020 Stands: Road's End Farm BC Fee: 2,000	1	1	--	--	--	--	6	2	48,916	71,486
10	Army Mule (2014) by Friesan Fire FYR: 2020 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$7,500	--	1	--	--	--	--	31	11	90,000	651,648
11	Mendelssohn (2015) by Scat Daddy FYR: 2020 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$35,000	--	1	--	--	--	--	37	11	72,400	573,444
12	Mo Town (2014) by Uncle Mo FYR: 2020 Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY Fee: \$7,500	--	--	--	--	--	--	27	6	81,460	405,480
13	Oscar Performance (2014) by Kitten's Joy FYR: 2020 Stands: Mill Ridge Farm KY Fee: \$12,500	--	1	--	--	--	--	24	8	63,230	371,355
14	Smokem (2015) by Union Rags FYR: 2020 Stands: Lovacres Ranch CA Fee: \$5,000	--	--	--	--	--	--	14	4	57,620	282,786
15	City of Light (2014) by Quality Road FYR: 2020 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$60,000	--	--	--	--	--	--	14	5	78,750	266,215

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Wednesday, Saratoga #9, post time: 5:39 p.m. EDT

WITH ANTICIPATION S.-GIII, \$175,000, 2yo, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Battle of Normandy	City of Light	West Point Thoroughbreds & Woodford Racing	McGaughey III	Carmouche	122
2	Andthewinneris 🌿	Oscar Performance	Susan Moulton	Catalano	Prat	122
3	Noble Huntsman	Noble Mission (GB)	Richard Greeley	Friedman	Franco	122
4	Bourbon Therapy	Free Drop Billy	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Saez	122
5	El Conejito	Palace	John D. Stephens	Stephens	Torres	122
6	Bramble Blaze	Summer Front	Ballybrit Stable, LLC	Dini	Lezcano	122
7	Quincy Cafe 🌿	Mendelssohn	KEM Stables	Gaudet	Cancel	120
8	Lachaise	Oscar Performance	Lawrence Goichman	Abreu	Ortiz	122
9	Our Dream Rye'd 🌿	More Than Ready	Bourbon Lane Stable and Circle N Thoroughbreds	Wilkes	Leparoux	122
10	Boppy O 🌿	Bolt d'Oro	Oxley, John C. and Breeze Easy, LLC	Casse	Davis	120
11	Determinedly 🌿	Cairo Prince	John C. Oxley	Casse	Velazquez	118

Breeders: 1-Gage Hill Stables, LLC & W. S. Farish, 2-Susan Moulton, 3-Richard Greeley, 4-Scott Pierce, 5-John Stephens & Jill Stephens, 6-Ballybrit Stable LLC, 7-Castleton Lyons, Kilboy Estate & GavinTierney, 8-Lawrence Goichman, 9-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 10-Rustlewood Farm, Inc., 11-Bedouin Bloodstock LLC

Friday, Saratoga #9, post time: 5:39 p.m. EDT

PRIORRESS S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Wicked Halo	Gun Runner	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Gaffalione	122
2	Hot Peppers	Khozan	Michael Dubb and Michael J. Caruso	Rodriguez	Saez	122
3	Lady Scarlet 🌿	Union Rags	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Ortiz	122
4	Mischievous Diane 🌿	Practical Joke	Perrine Time Thoroughbreds	Handal	Franco	118
5	Bank On Anna	Central Banker	WellSpring Stables	Serpe	Lezcano	120
6	Angitude 🌿	Violence	Joseph F. Novogratz	Cox	Rosario	118
7	Sterling Silver	Cupid	Mark T. Anderson	Albertrani	McCarthy	120
8	Half Is Enough 🌿	Frosted	Ironhorse Racing Stable LLC	Trombetta	Prat	120
9	Smash Ticket	Midnight Lute	King, Brad, Kirby, Stan & Suzanne & Coleman, B	Atras	Carmouche	120
10	Union Lake	Speightster	Steven Schoenfeld	Terranova, II	Velazquez	118

Breeders: 1-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 2-Brent Fernung & Crystal Fernung, 3-Popatop, LLC, 4-Wynnstay LLC & Mark Toothaker, 5-Lou Corrente, 6-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd., 7-Mallory Mort & Karen Mort, 8-Rigney Racing LLC, K2, 9-Brad King, 10-Richard Bosshard Jr.

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Saturday, Kentucky Downs #10, post time: 6:31 p.m. EDT

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tut's Revenge	Eskendereya	Claim To Fame Stable	Stuart	Cheminaud	122
2	Cavalry Charge	Honor Code	West Point Tbreeds, Sandbrook, W & Masiello, R	Stewart	Cohen	126
3	Pixelate	City Zip	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Geroux	122
4	Gray's Fable	Gio Ponti	Goldfine, Steve, Provost, Kari and Zlonis, Jeff	Lynch	Michel	126
5	Betwithbothhands	Uncle Mo	Hernandez Racing Stable, LLC	Hernandez	Beschizza	122
6	Mr Dumas 🦄	Majesticperfection	WSS Racing LLC and Hooties Racing LLC	Ortiz	Gutierrez	126
7	Kentucky Ghost	Ghostzapper	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Bejarano	126
8	Injunction	Skipshot	J & J Stables, LLC and Vaccarezza, Nicholas	Vaccarezza	Corrales	122
9	Atone	Into Mischief	Jordan V. Wycoff	Maker	Gaffalione	122

Breeders: 1-Lane Thoroughbreds LLC, 2-Glencrest Farm LLC, 3-Godolphin, 4-Jeff Zlonis, 5-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 6-Ramspring Farm, 7-Blue Devil Racing Stable, LLC, 8-Mikhail Yanakov, 9-Godolphin



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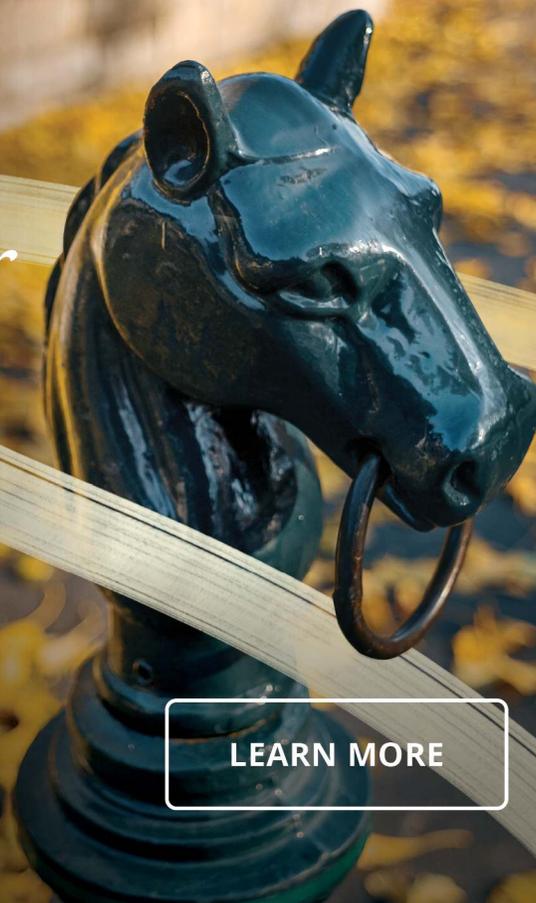


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4th-Colonial Downs, \$78,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 8-30, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:51.04, fm, 1 length.

FLYING FORTRESS (f, 4, Uncle Mo--Dakota Queen, by War Front), a debut winner sprinting over this course last August, went to the sidelines following a next-out seventh-place effort at Kentucky Downs Sept. 5. She returned with a win going one mile at Laurel Apr. 24 and was beaten just a neck when second going 1 1/16 miles at this oval July 12. Sent off the 3-5 favorite, the gray filly assumed the early lead, raced keenly through a quarter in :24.63 and was still pulling her way under a hold down the backstretch through a half in :49.95. Still well-held as the three-quarters went up in 1:14.63, she was finally let loose at the top of the stretch and powered clear before holding Community Adjusted (**Summer Front**) safe to the wire to win by one length. Flying Fortress is a full-sister to Enola Gay, GSW, \$235,990. Dakota Queen, in foal to Authentic, sold to Barry and Judith Becker for \$345,000 at the 2021 Keeneland November sale. She produced a colt by the GI Kentucky Derby winner this year and was bred back to **Street Sense**. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$126,881. O-Joseph Allen; B-Mr. Joseph Allen LLC (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III.



Flying Fortress | *Coady Photography*



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$34,000, Msw, 8-30, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.33, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

COUNT DE MONET (c, 2, Speightster--Ravenesque {SP, \$121,476}, by Dance With Ravens), dismissed at 11-1, was hustled out of the gate and attended the pace through an opening quarter in :22.60. The bay colt assumed command midway on the turn, was clear through a half in :46.63 and reported home a 1 1/2-length winner over the closing Color Field (**Mastery**). Count de Monet, who RNA'd for \$37,000 as a KEENOV weanling, sold for \$8,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall sale and again for \$85,000 following a **:10 1/5** work at this year's OBS April sale. Ravenesque produced a filly by Exaggerator this year and was bred back to **Echo Town**. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. O-Charles Galli; B-Copper Penny Stables (KY); T-Thomas H. Swearingen.

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

2022 Stud Fees Listed

Always Dreaming (Bodemeister), WinStar Farm, \$12,500

127 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Saratoga, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Own the Field, 6-1
\$30,000 KEE SEP yrl

Bolt d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000

167 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S., 1
1/16m, Boppy O, 8-1
\$190,000 KEE SEP yrl

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000

101 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S.,
1 1/16m, Battle of Normandy, 3-1
\$500,000 FTS AUG yrl

Forever d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro), Breakway Farm, \$2,000

14 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Julee Forever,
20-1
9-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Rhythm
Forever, 20-1

Free Drop Billy (Union Rags), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000

54 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S.,
1 1/16m, Bourbon Therapy, 20-1
\$19,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$40,000 FTK HRA 2yo
3-Canterbury, 7:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Dropped Cold, 5-1

Funtastic (More Than Ready), Three Chimneys Farm, \$5,000

22 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Albuquerque, 8:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Undo the Right, 8-1
\$8,000 TTA APR 2yo

Girvin (Tale of Ekati), Ocala Stud, \$6,000

104 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
3-Saratoga, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Closethegame Sugar,
4-1
\$10,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000
173 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S.,
1 1/16m, Quincy Cafe, 20-1
\$385,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$140,000 OBS MAR 2yo
3-Saratoga, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Wicked Secret, 10-1
\$55,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$25,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mor Spirit (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000

109 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 3:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Giant
Awakening, 5-2
\$50,000 OBS MAR 2yo

National Flag (Speightstown), Blazing Meadows Farm, \$1,500

18 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-Thistledown, 2:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Go Girl, 10-1
3-Thistledown, 1:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Secrets Untold, 3-1
5-Thistledown, 2:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Way of the World, 3-1

Oscar Performance (Kitten's Joy), Mill Ridge Farm, \$12,500

85 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S., 1
1/16m, Andthewinneris, 5-1
\$67,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
9-Saratoga, 5:39 p.m. EDT, \$175K GIII With Anticipation S.,
1 1/16m, Lachaise, 5-1
\$180,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl

Rivers Run Deep (Ready's Image), Poplar Creek Horse Center,
\$2,000

10 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Thistledown, 1:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, In Troubled Waters, 7-2

Sharp Azteca (Freud), Three Chimneys Farm, \$5,000

130 foals of racing age/18 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Presque Isle Downs, 3:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Aztec Princess,
15-1

West Coast (Flatter), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000

124 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 3:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Tiz the
Coast, 5-1
\$22,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31

2022 Stud Fees Listed

Almasty (Scat Daddy), Equiprovet Canada Inc., \$1,500

3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Colonial Downs, 1:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Midnight in Alaska, 10-1
\$7,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$47,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

Blofeld (Quality Road), Murmur Farm, \$4,000
 50 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners
 7-Delaware, 3:30 p.m. EDT, \$50K Blue Hen S., 5 1/2f,
 Chickiness, 8-1

Connect (Curlin), Lane's End Farm, \$25,000
 195 foals of racing age/52 winners/4 black-type winners
 3-Saratoga, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Winning Connection, 8-1
 \$26,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), Three Chimneys Farm, private
 246 foals of racing age/59 winners/12 black-type winners
 3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 3:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Chelonian, 6-1
 \$300,000 KEE SEP yrl

Lord Nelson (Pulpit), Spendthrift Farm
 159 foals of racing age/39 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Delaware, 3:30 p.m. EDT, \$50K Blue Hen S., 5 1/2f, Bound by
 Destiny, 3-1
 \$22,000 FTK OCT yrl



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8th-Colonial Downs, \$69,500, (S), 8-30, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1mT,
 1:38.80, fm, 3/4 length.

TOLAGA BAY (g, 6, Fierce Wind--Fearless Bay, by Pleasant Tap)
 Lifetime Record: SP, 24-3-4-7, \$180,166. O-Mark W. Buyck, Jr.;
 B-Susan Minor (VA); T-Archibald J. Kingsley, Jr.

4th-Prairie Meadows, \$44,475, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm
 (\$30,000), 8-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.22, ft, 1/2 length.

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 Score)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$89,368. O/B-Warren L. Bush
 (IA); T-Doug L. Anderson.

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$41,000, (S), 8-30, (NW2L),
 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.86, ft, neck.

**CIELO BLU (g, 4, Blueskiesrainbows--Ms. Cat Princess {SW,
 \$161,320}, by Cat Doctor)** Lifetime Record: 21-2-3-6, \$104,344.
 O-T.C. Racing Stable (Jim Dauby), B and B Stables, LLC & Red
 Shed Thoroughbred; B-T.C. Racing Stable (IN); T-T Richardville.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, \$38,649, 8-30, (NW1X), 3yo/up,
 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44.12, ft, 1/2 length.

**HEIRLOOM KITTEN (g, 6, Kitten's Joy--Exceedexpectations, by
 Tale of the Cat)** Lifetime Record: 28-7-4-3, \$227,080. O-Martin
 Brothers Racing Stables, Inc. & Mine to Equine, LLC; B-Kenneth
 L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-William N. Martin. *\$40,000 RNA
 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **Full to Politicallycorrect, MSW & MGSP,
 \$685,861.

6th-Thistledown, \$38,400, (S), 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f,
 1:12.80, sy, 1 1/4 lengths.

**HOPPY GILMORE (g, 3, Alternation--Westminister Road, by
 Quality Road)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$83,370. O/T-Michael L.
 Rone; B-Maccabee Farm (OH). *\$8,000 Ylg '20 OTBOMX.

2nd-Thistledown, \$38,400, (S), 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f,
 1:12.04, sy, 1 3/4 lengths.

**MASTEROFTHEHOUNDS (g, 4, Dominus--Keen Scent, by
 Foxhound)** Lifetime Record: 17-3-2-6, \$104,433. O/B-W. John
 Bourke & Lowell F. Allen (OH); T-Richard Zielinski. *1/2 to
 Adventurous Fox (Canadian Frontier), SP, \$161,441.

8th-Thistledown, \$38,000, 8-30, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.64,
 my, 1 length.

OHIO MUNNY (g, 5, Munnings--Thus, by Tiznow) Lifetime
 Record: 29-6-4-3, \$128,878. O/T-Khadeem Galloway; B-K. C.
 Garrett Farm (OH). *\$47,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP.

8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$36,000, 8-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up,
 f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.72, fm, 2 3/4 lengths.

**COVENANT LADY (f, 4, Temple City--More for Jill, by More
 Than Ready)** Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-1, \$118,565. O-B and B
 Stables, LLC, Anthony Granitz & Michael Wern; B-Crowning
 Point Farm & Casa De Caballos (IN); T-Anthony J. Granitz.
 *\$9,500 Ylg '19 FTKOCT .

1st-Belterra, \$27,200, (S), 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m,
 1:42.66, sy, neck.

OUT FOR FUN (f, 3, City Weekend--Preseli's Pulpit, by Pulpit)
 Lifetime Record: SW, 11-3-2-2, \$118,561. O-Marion F. Gorham;
 B-Hillburn Racing Stable LLC (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham. *1/2 to
 Tivis (Tale of Ekati), MSW, \$235,515.

5th-Louisiana Downs, \$23,000, 8-29, (C), 3yo/up, 7 1/2ft, 1:33.77, gd, nose.

SNIVELING (g, 4, Will Take Charge--Brief Tears, by Orientate) Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-2, \$83,561. O-L and G Racing Stables; B-Wilhte & Nursery Place (KY); T-Cesar Govea. *1/2 to No Problem (**Munnings**), GSW, \$137,750.

6th-Louisiana Downs, \$23,000, (S), 8-29, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25.30, ft, neck.

INTO WISHING (g, 3, Iron Fist--Just Like Shay, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 13-2-3-0, \$46,270. O/T-Patti Turner; B-Carrol J. Castille & Estate of Allen Guillotte (LA).

4th-Louisiana Downs, \$21,690, 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.36, sy, 1 3/4 lengths.

GAME DAY PLAY (g, 4, Violence--Haley's Lolipop {GSP, \$105,300}, by Cuvee) Lifetime Record: SW, 13-3-1-3, \$144,682. O-Rick & Clayton Wiest, Randy Marriott and Heads Up Racing LLC; B-Tom Durant (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro. *1/2 to Tejano Twist (**Practical Joke**), SW, \$316,794.



5th-Louisiana Downs, \$21,090, 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:44.89, sy, nose.

TEXAS BLUEBONNET (f, 3, Cairo Prince--Palpita, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 12-3-0-1, \$55,734. O-Hugh Moore; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Shane Wilson. *\$5,500 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$25,000 2yo '21 TTAAPR.

3rd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,716, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 8-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (off turf), 1:12.65, sy, 2 lengths.

TUNSTALL (m, 5, Seville {Ger}--And a Cherry Tree {SP}, by Chief Seattle) Lifetime Record: 26-4-1-6, \$79,496. O/T-Gregory Viands; B-R. Larry Johnson (MD). *\$2,500 Ylg '18 EASDEC.

3rd-Fort Erie, C\$17,571, 8-30, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.18, sy, 4 lengths.

PRINCESS HALIME (f, 4, Oxbow--Moon Dreamer, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, \$39,013. O/T-Jeff Voyce; B-Hinkle Farms (KY). *\$11,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; C\$6,000 Ylg '19 BRCSEP. **1/2 to Media Luna (**Lea**), MSW-PR, \$153,829.



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Raise the Praise, f, 2, **Blofeld**--Union Way, by **Union Rags**. Louisiana Downs, 8-29, 5ft, 1:00.28. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$16,120. B-JSM Equine, LLC (KY). *\$4,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT.



Ocean of Storms, c, 2, **Malibu Moon**--Wind Racer, by **Curlin**. Prairie Meadows, 8-29, 5f, :58.01. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$22,560. B-Baoma Corp (KY). *\$12,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN.



Rileys Redemption, f, 2, **The Factor**--Evana, by Even the Score. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-30, (S), 5f, :59.11. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$28,800. B-Dwayne Tinkle & Kevin Patterson (IN).

Oh So Social, g, 2, **Unified**--Hawaiian Sky, by Parker's Storm Cat. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-29, (S), 5f, 1:00.58. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$22,360. B-Rancho Monarca, LLC (IN).

Clingman, g, 3, **Central Banker**--Miss Curley d'Oro, by **Curlin**. Finger Lakes, 8-30, 6f, 1:13.82. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$25,850. B-Windylea Farm - New York LLC (NY).

Breakwater, c, 3, **Flatter**--Quiet Harbor (GSW, \$274,670), by Silver Deputy. Colonial Downs, 8-30, 1mT, 1:38.09. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$60,500. B-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC (KY). *1/2 to In the Lee (**Tapit**), SP, \$196,920.

Follow Your Dream, g, 3, **Kantharos**--Trompe L' Oeil, by Bluegrass Cat. Thistledown, 8-30, 6f, 1:12.86. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$16,040. B-Greg & Patricia Osterloh (KY).

Crystal Ship, f, 3, **Midshipman**--Midnight in Giada, by **Midnight Lute**. Presque Isle Downs, 8-30, 6f (AWT), 1:09.65. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$22,750. B-DP Racing, LLC (KY). *\$60,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$120,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL.



Crimson Legion, f, 3, **Mixmaster**--Legion of Dreams, by Colony Key. Thistledown, 8-30, (S), 1m, 1:45.08. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-0, \$23,706. B-Pistols Legacy LLC (OH).

Out Dancing, f, 3, **Outwork**--Dance Hall Girl, by Gulch. Parx Racing, 8-30, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:19.70. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$36,650. B-J. M. Herbener & Dr. & Mrs. Patrick J. Ford VMD (KY). *\$160,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP. **1/2 to Medal of Courage (Warrior's Reward), SW, \$381,982.

Navy Soul, g, 3, **Strong Mandate**--Mark of a Post, by Benchmark. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-30, 6f, 1:11.08. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$22,494. B-Alex Venneri Racing, LLC (KY).

U S Honour Nap, g, 3, **Three Hour Nap**--U S Honour, by U S Ranger. Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, 8-30, (S), 6f, 1:14.21. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$19,432. B-Kenneth Hutchens (IL).

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- Blueskiesnrainbows**, Cielo Blu, g, 4, o/o Ms. Cat Princess, by Cat Doctor. ALW, 8-30, Horseshoe Indianapolis
- Cairo Prince**, Texas Bluebonnet, f, 3, o/o Palpita, by **Tapit**. ALW, 8-30, Louisiana Downs
- Central Banker**, Clingman, g, 3, o/o Miss Curley d'Oro, by **Curlin**. MSW, 8-30, Finger Lakes
- City Weekend**, Out for Fun, f, 3, o/o Preseli's Pulpit, by Pulpit. ALW, 8-30, Belterra
- Dominus**, Masterofthehounds, g, 4, o/o Keen Scent, by Foxhound. ALW, 8-30, Thistledown
- Fierce Wind**, Tolaga Bay, g, 6, o/o Fearless Bay, by Pleasant Tap. ALW, 8-30, Colonial Downs
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- Include**, Just Like Trista, f, 3, o/o Lookin to Score, by Even the Score. AOC, 8-29, Prairie Meadows
- Iron Fist**, Into Wishing, g, 3, o/o Just Like Shay, by **Mineshaft**. ALW, 8-29, Louisiana Downs
- Kantharos**, Follow Your Dream, g, 3, o/o Trompe L' Oeil, by Bluegrass Cat. MSW, 8-30, Thistledown
- Kitten's Joy**, Heirloom Kitten, g, 6, o/o Exceedexpectations, by Tale of the Cat. ALW, 8-30, Presque Isle Downs
- Malibu Moon**, Ocean of Storms, c, 2, o/o Wind Racer, by **Curlin**. MSW, 8-29, Prairie Meadows
- Midshipman**, Crystal Ship, f, 3, o/o Midnight in Giada, by **Midnight Lute**. MSW, 8-30, Presque Isle Downs
- Mixmaster**, Crimson Legion, f, 3, o/o Legion of Dreams, by Colony Key. MSW, 8-30, Thistledown
- Munnings**, Ohio Munny, g, 5, o/o Thus, by Tiznow. ALW, 8-30, Thistledown
- Outwork**, Out Dancing, f, 3, o/o Dance Hall Girl, by Gulch. MCL, 8-30, Parx Racing

- Oxbow**, Princess Halime, f, 4, o/o Moon Dreamer, by Malibu Moon. ALW, 8-30, Fort Erie
- Seville (Ger)**, Tunstall, m, 5, o/o And a Cherry Tree, by Chief Seattle. AOC, 8-29, Mountaineer
- Speightster**, Count de Monet, c, 2, o/o Ravenesque, by Dance With Ravens. MSW, 8-30, Horseshoe Indianapolis
- Strong Mandate**, Navy Soul, g, 3, o/o Mark of a Post, by Benchmark. MSW, 8-30, Horseshoe Indianapolis
- Temple City**, Covenant Lady, f, 4, o/o More for Jill, by **More Than Ready**. ALW, 8-29, Horseshoe Indianapolis
- The Factor**, Rileys Redemption, f, 2, o/o Evana, by Even the Score. MSW, 8-30, Horseshoe Indianapolis



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- Three Hour Nap**, U S Honour Nap, g, 3, o/o U S Honour, by U S Ranger. MSW, 8-30, Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing
- Uncle Mo**, Flying Fortress, f, 4, o/o Dakota Queen, by **War Front**. AOC, 8-30, Colonial Downs
- Unified**, Oh So Social, g, 2, o/o Hawaiian Sky, by Parker's Storm Cat. MSW, 8-29, Horseshoe Indianapolis
- Violence**, Game Day Play, g, 4, o/o Haley's Lolipop, by Cuvee. ALW, 8-30, Louisiana Downs
- Will Take Charge**, Sniveling, g, 4, o/o Brief Tears, by Orientate. ALW, 8-29, Louisiana Downs

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GLOBETROTTER STAR STATE OF REST RETIRED TO STUD



State Of Rest: retired to stud | Scoop Dyga

By Brian Sheerin

Joseph O'Brien has revealed that State Of Rest has been retired to stud after Racing Victoria found an issue in an MRI scan that would prevent him travelling to Australia to defend his Cox Plate crown.

The four-time Group/Grade 1 hero was last seen finishing down the field in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville and the O'Brien team feel that the issue that presented itself in the MRI scan was to blame for that poor performance.

State Of Rest (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}--Repose {Quiet American}) shot to prominence when winning the G1 Saratoga Derby Invitational S. before beating the best of the Australians in the G1 Cox Plate at Moonee Valley last season.

The globetrotting star also made his mark closer to home when landing a memorable Prince Of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot this season. The 4-year-old will now take up stallion duties at Rathbarry Stud in Ireland and Newgate Farm in Australia.

O'Brien said on Tuesday, "Everyone here at Carriganog Racing is so disappointed that State Of Rest's racing career has come to a sudden end. He was without question a remarkably talented, durable and consistent performer. We asked a huge amount of him throughout his career and he delivered every time."

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MAJOR BRITISH OWNER RESIGNED TO SELLING AFTER BIG-RACE WIN

By Brian Sheerin

Fresh from recording one of his biggest paydays as an owner when **Amichi (Ire)** (Gutaifan {Ire}) stormed to victory in the Tattersalls Somerville Auction S. at Newmarket on Saturday, Laurence Bellman has admitted that the Ed Walker-trained juvenile is likely to continue his career abroad.

But first, Bellman is excited to roll the dice at another valuable sales race, the £150,000 Tattersalls October Auction S. in October. After that, the property developer expects to field offers from abroad for the gelding and explained why it is becoming increasingly difficult as an owner in Britain to resist the temptation to sell.

"Amichi does not owe me anything but the rest of the horses I have in training have to be paid for by the one or two that I am able to sell," Bellman said. "If I get that right offer, he may have to be sold but, before then, the plan is to run him in the big sales race at Newmarket in October." [Cont. p4](#)

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TAKING STOCK: SIKURA'S HILL 'N' DALE AT XALAPA

In his latest Taking Stock, Sid Fernando investigates the storied history of John Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale Farm at Xalapa. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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Johnny Allen celebrates victory in last year's G1 Cox Plate after guiding State Of Rest (Ire) (*Starspangledbanner {Aus}*) to victory at Moonee Valley. | Bronwen Healy

TDN RISING STAR ON DECK AT BADEN-BADEN

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'TDN Rising Star' Habana (Ger) (*Kingman {GB}*) steps up in class in the G3 149th Renate & Albrecht Woeste Zukunfts-Rennen.

TATTERSALLS AUGUST SALE KICKS OFF

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Wednesday marks the Tattersalls August Sale in Newmarket, which features horses-in-training.

INTELLO FILLY HEADS OSARUS YEARLINGS

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A filly by Intello (Ger) topped the Osarus Yearling Sale at La Teste de Buch on Tuesday.

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The trainer added, "He won Group/Grade 1 races on three different continents in the face of a wide variety of tracks, ground conditions and race tempos. It all came alike to him. He had the most incredible constitution and will to win. We'll miss him greatly but we look forward to training his progeny in the years ahead."

Shane Crosse partnered State Of Rest to both of his Group 1 triumphs in Europe--the Prix Ganay and the Prince of Wales's S.--and the rider admitted that it may be some time before he is associated with one so good as O'Brien's ace.

He said, "State Of Rest is a spectacular horse. He gave me two of the best days of my career, especially that day at Royal Ascot, and I will never forget them. He was magnificent at Ascot and it's obviously gutting that he has to retire this way but obviously it's great that he finishes his career safe and sound. I was very lucky to be a part of his career and he should make up into a wonderful stallion."

Asked if Crosse felt like he had questions to answer aboard State Of Rest heading into the Prince Of Wales's after the pair were downed in the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup at the Curragh the previous month, the rider said, "We probably did. He ran a huge race in the Tattersalls Gold Cup [finished third] but the main talking horse heading into Royal Ascot was Bay Bridge (GB) (New

Bay {GB}).

"He had never taken on Group 1 opposition so we knew we had that advantage over him and we took the bull by the horns in the race. Joseph told me to go out and keep it simple and make them come and catch me. That's what we did and the best horse won on the day. He is just a top-class animal and, as I said, I was just very lucky to be a part of his career."

State Of Rest retires as the only horse in history to have won three consecutive Group/Grade 1 races in as many different continents and, according to Crosse, O'Brien deserves special recognition for his training of the colt.

He said, "Joseph could have played it safe and took in all of the big races in Europe. He didn't have to go to America or Australia but it just shows the belief that he had in the horse. Joseph never fails to surprise. He pulls something crazy out of the bag every year.

"MJ Doran has also played a huge part in the horse's career. He rides him out every day and has travelled all over the world with him. He knows the horse inside out. Those two men are to thank for keeping State Of Rest at the top of his game for the past few seasons. It will be a while before we come across one as good."

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State Of Rest cruises home in the Prince Of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot | [Racingfotos.com](#)



Laurence Bellman (right), has 36 horses in training
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Laurence Bellman Cont. from p1

He added, "If I ran it [ownership] as a business I'd have gone bankrupt two or three times over. You do it for the passion and, when something like Amichi winning the Sommerville Auction S. happens, when you are lucky enough to win three or four times what the horse cost in one scoop, that is something else."

Ed Sackville, who buys all of Bellman's horses, came up trumps with Amichi, recruited from Yeomanstown Stud in Ireland at last year's Tattersalls Somerville Sale for just 15,500gns.

Bellman has 21 horses in training and he expects that Amichi, named after the nickname he gave Sackville, to be worth a multitude of that initial price tag now.

That's not to say that Amichi has always looked well-bought. After running no sort of a race at Newbury on debut, connections decided to geld Amichi, and they have not looked back since.

Bellman explained, "Ed always liked him but he was a randy little bugger to begin with. He kept on getting himself into trouble by trying to mount everything at home in the yard--and it wasn't just the fillies, either. He tried to mount another colt one day and he got a kick in the stomach for his troubles.

"He was showing enough to suggest he might win a maiden or maybe even shape up into being a Royal Ascot contender. Apart from being a bit naughty, he was doing all of the right things at home."

The owner added, "He was so off it that day at Newbury, not focussed at all, and Richard [Kingscote] came back in and told us to completely dismiss it as he wasn't concentrating and was more concerned about what was going on around him. We gelded him within 48 hours of that run and he came out of that well.

"Ed was quietly confident that he'd run well at Kempton and

said he was a good each-way price at 10-1. Fortunately, he won well and, while Ed didn't think he was savvy enough with effectively just one run under his belt to land the big sales race at Newmarket, we were delighted to see him go and win."

Amichi is now rated 87 with promise of more to come and, while Bellman is happy to roll the dice at Newmarket in October, he's not sure if he will be able to retain the gelding beyond that.

"He's been rated 87 this [Tuesday] morning and we hope he's better than that," Bellman said. "The complete shame about the whole thing is, if someone from abroad makes an offer, I will just have to say yes as I will not win the prize-money over here to justify turning down what could be on the table.

"Obviously, if he did win the sales race at Newmarket in October, it would take his earnings past something in the region of £140,000. That is all 'if', and that would be fantastic if he did win the sales race, but if he was running abroad, that's what they'd get for winning one or two ordinary races out there.

"When you buy a horse for 15,500gns and then someone wants to pay you 20 times that amount, it's hard to say no to that, isn't it?"

If Amichi is sold to continue his career abroad, he won't be the first horse of Bellman's to have charted such a path. The owner accepted an offer from Hong Kong last year for three-time winner Alabama Boy (Ire), also trained by Walker, and concluded that such sales were necessary to keep the lights switched on.

He said, "I have 36 horses in training--15 of those are in the Horse Watchers Syndicate, which is brilliant, and I own 10% shares in each of those. So 21 are in my own name. I've sold good horses abroad in the past.

"Last year, we sold Alabama Boy [now Zoom Boom (Ire) (Awtaad {Ire})] to go to Hong Kong. He cost us €35,000 and, after winning three races for us, we got 10 times that amount to sell him abroad. [Cont. p5](#)



Ed Sackville purchased Amichi for 15,500gns | Tattersalls

Laurence Bellman Cont.

"I'm not saying I want to sell my best horses but, I actually think that, if you own a horse in this country and it manages to win two races for example, that will just about cover your training fees for the year and that's not even mentioning the cost of the horse."

He added, "There was a time, I think it was five years ago, when I had eight winners between five different horses and the winnings didn't even pay for the upkeep of those horses over what was a four-month period."

"But, like I said, it's my passion. The whole industry is unbalanced and the wrong people are in power and have control of all the money. It's the owners and the trainers who are not benefiting and they are the ones who provide the horses for entertainment."

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RACE PREVIEWS

TDN RISING STAR ON DECK FOR BADEN-BADEN FEATURE *by Sean Cronin*

Andreas Wohler trainee **Habana (Ger)** (**Kingman {GB}**) debuted in style when beating the boys by daylight, earning a '**TDN Rising Star**' tag, tackling 6 1/2 furlongs at Cologne last month and makes the inevitable step up in class for Wednesday's G3 149th Renate & Albrecht Woeste Zukunfts-Rennen at Baden-Baden. "Like all the German 2-year-olds, Habana has to cope with the jump in class," Wohler told *GaloppOnline*. "She has developed nicely and will hopefully be among the frontrunners."

Gestut Fahrhof's homebred, who went unsold at last year's Tattersalls October Book 1 fixture, faces eight rivals in the day's seven-furlong feature including **See Paris (Ger)** (**Counterattack {Aus}**), who posted an impressive three-length tally in a €52,000 Auktionsrennen when debuting for the Henk Grewe stable over Cologne's 6 1/2-furlong strip at the end of last month, his only prior outing. The home defence also features the unbeaten duo **Empathie (Ger)** (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), a July 17 maiden winner at Mulheim, and **Bodyman (Fr)** (**Territories {Ire}**), who notched a 4 1/2-length score at Deauville earlier this month. In the absence of Charlie and Mark Johnston's Listed Denford S. runner-up Ferrari Queen (Ire) (**Decorated Knight {GB}**), the international challenge consists of the Theresa Marnane-owned **Ghrainne (GB)** (**Ardad {Ire}**) and G3 Premio Primi Passi victrix **Bottle Of Bubbles (Ire)** (**Cotai Glory {GB}**), with the experienced duo making the trip from trainer Florian Guyader's Chantilly base.

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TATTERSALLS AUGUST SALE KICKS OFF ON WEDNESDAY

The Tattersalls August Sale, one of the more recent horses-in-training sales on the calendar, takes place at Newmarket on Wednesday with 224 lots set to go under the hammer. The sale, introduced for the first time in 2020 in response to COVID-related circumstances, features drafts from Godolphin, Juddmonte, Richard Hannon, George Boughey, Richard Fahey and more.

Rolling The Dice (Ire) (**Mehmas {Ire}**) (**lot 167**), who finished third in the G2 May Hill S. last year, and the 95-rated **Sea The Shells (GB)** (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**) (**lot 303**) are two of the more interesting horses in the sale.

The sale kicks off at 9:30 a.m. and the catalogue can be viewed online on the [Tattersalls website](#).

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INTELLO FILLY HEADS OSARUS YEARLINGS

The number of yearlings offered may have been halved since last year, but the key figures remained largely the same at the Osarus Yearling Sale at La Teste de Buch, with the median of €10,000 slightly up on 2021 and the average of €11,467 virtually the same.

From an original catalogue of 150 yearlings, 131 were put through the ring, with 88 sold for a clearance rate of 67%, up from 63%. At the final fall of hammer, the aggregate stood at €947,500. **Cont. p6**



Lot 86, the sale-topping Intello filly | Osarus

Osarus Cont.

Few of the yearlings sold would have returned much profit on their cost of production, with the day's top price of €45,000 being set by a daughter of Intello (Ger) (lot 86), offered by Elevage de Seguegne and bought by Trotting Bloodstock, who went home with five yearlings from the sale. The granddaughter of the listed winner Ethelinda (GB) (Indian Ridge {GB}) is a half-sister to recent winner Athelia (Fr) (Johnny Barnes {Ire}).

Irish breeze-up pinhookers Con Marnane, Mary Reynolds and Ambrose O'Mullane of Ardglass Stables, and John Bourke of Hyde Park Stud, all got involved, with Marnane signing for seven yearlings at the sale where he unearthed subsequent Group 1 winner Sands Of Mali (Fr) (Panis) for €20,000.

The top-class sprinter had been sold by Alain Chopard's Haras des Faunes, which was once again the sale's leading vendor with 14 sold for €163,000. Only Marseille-based trainer Christophe Escuder was busier than the Bansha House maestro and the Frenchman ended the day as the leading buyer with 10

yearlings to his name.

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SCHEDULE FOR REMAINING 2022 TATTERSALLS ONLINE SALES RELEASED

The schedule for the rest of the 2022 Tattersalls Online sales calendar was released on Tuesday. Held monthly through the end of the year, the sales dates are as follows:

- Tattersalls Online September Sale, Sept. 13-14
- Tattersalls Online October Sale, Oct. 20-21
- Tattersalls Online November Sale, Nov. 16-17
- Tattersalls Online December Sale, Dec. 14-15.

Highlights over the past two years have included the sale of Group 3-winning filly **West End Girl (GB)** (Golden Horn {GB}) for £420,000 and the sale of **Classical Wave (GB)** (**Gleneagles {Ire}**) for 240,000gns. Other sales of note include subsequent Australian dual Group 3 winner **Great House (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) for £175,000, and National Hunt mare **Barbados Blue (Ire)** (Getaway {Ger}), who realised 90,000 gns at the most recent Tattersalls Online sale. Going forward, it is the intent of Tattersalls to make the monthly Tattersalls Online sales a permanent fixture of the sales calendar. The December Sale will target entries from the National Hunt and point-to-point sphere.

Tattersalls Online Sales Executive Katherine Sheridan said, "Tattersalls are committed to growing the online sales sector and regular monthly sales will add consistency and regularity to the Tattersalls Online sales calendar. With each sale, we are engaging new participants from all over the world and the feedback we have received has been extremely positive. We are dedicated to ensuring that users have the best possible experience when buying or selling on the Tattersalls Online platform and we believe there is huge potential for Tattersalls Online within the UK and Ireland, as well throughout Europe and further afield."

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BAUM NAMED PRESIDENT OF THE GERMAN OWNERS AND BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

Gregor Baum, President of the Hanoverian Rennverein and owner of Gestut Brummerhof, was unanimously elected as the new President of the German Owners and Breeders Association at its annual General Meeting on Monday, Aug. 29. Baum replaces Honorary President Manfred Ostermann, who had served 18 years in his former role. The new Vice-President of the organisation is Dr. Ingeborg von Schuber, who owns Gestut Ebbesloh.

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SPONSORS OF THE FOLLOWING STATS FOR THE:

OSARUS YEARLING SALE

SESSION TOTALS	2022	2021
• Catalogued	150	281
• Number Offered	131	261
• Number Sold	88	164
• Not Sold	43	97
• Clearance Rate	67%	63%
• High Price	€45,000	€50,000
• Gross	€947,500	€1,732,000
• Average (% change)	€11,467 (-1.4%)	€11,633
• Median (% change)	€10,000 (+11%)	€9,000

German Owners And Breeders Association Cont.

In addition, the German Owners and Breeders Association's new Board of Directors are as follows: Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten, Heike Bischoff-Lafrentz, Peter Gollmann, Stefan Hahne, Sascha Hartung, Rolf Harzheim, Dr. Andreas Jacobs, Friedrich von Lenthe, Jacqueline Leve, Andreas Neugeboren, Doris Schmidt, Jeanette Spratter, Jochen Stargardt, Christian Sundermann, Matthias Tamrat, Philip Baron von Ullmann and Nastasja Volz-Degel. Delegates for the board of directors of the Racing Authorities are Gregor Baum, Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten and Nastasja Volz-Degel.

"The Owners and Breeders association is thankful that Manfred Ostermann will continue to support the new board of directors as the honorary president," Baum said.

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Manfred Ostermann & Gregor Baum | *Marc Ruhl*

RIDING A DREAM ACADEMY TO STAGE COURSE FOR NON-RIDERS

The Riding A Dream Academy, launched on the back of an historic Magnolia Cup victory for young Muslim woman Khadijah Mellah, will hold a week-long residential course aimed at encouraging youngsters with little or no riding experience.

The academy supports people aged between 14 and 18 from diverse ethnic communities and underprivileged backgrounds. In 2021, a residential course for riders was held at the British Racing School in its pilot year, along with the Khadijah Mellah Scholarship. Funded by the Racing Foundation, the academy was established to help make horseracing more accessible to young people from diverse backgrounds.

Khadijah Mellah, who became the first British Muslim woman to ride a winner when landing the Magnolia Cup at Goodwood in 2019, said, "After the success of our pilot year we wanted to

make sure that we were providing opportunities that would allow as wide a group of young people as possible to spend time learning how to look after racehorses and finding out more about horseracing. This is an amazing opportunity for young people who love animals and are wanting to try their hand at something new, whilst also finding out more about the opportunities for them within the sport."

Naomi Lawson, director and co-founder of the academy added, "When we first launched the Academy we had lots of applications from young people who had been inspired by Khadijah and wanted to get involved but didn't have the experience to join one of our riding-based courses. Thanks to the support of the Racing Foundation we are now able to offer these young people a specially tailored course which will introduce them to the world of horseracing, including how to care for our racehorses and all the different facets that make up the sport."

The fully funded residential week at Newmarket's British Racing School runs from Oct. 24 to 28. It will include visits to racing yards, studs and racecourses. Applications close on Wednesday, Sept. 21. Further information about the course can be found [here](#).

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Khadijah Mellah | *Racingfotos.com*

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR CATS PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Nominations for the Careers Advice and Training Service (CATS) Personal Development Award, sponsored by Hartpurty University, are now open, Racing Welfare announced on Wednesday. The award recognises the person who has put the most dedication and effort into developing their career in racing after using the CATS service. The judging panel will be looking for someone who has been proactive and taken every opportunity available to develop themselves in the racing industry. [Cont. p8](#)

CATS Personal Development Award Cont.

The deadline to nominate is on Friday, Sept. 30, with three finalists shortlisted by the judges and invited to lunch for the winners' presentation at Newmarket Racecourse on Friday, Oct. 28. To find out more, or submit a nomination, please visit the [CATS section of the Racing Welfare website](#).

Catherine Porter, Head of Hartpury University's Equine Department, said, "It is a pleasure to continue our support of the CATS Personal Development Award for another year. The calibre of entrants for last year's award were high, and we are very much looking forward to hearing the stories of those nominated this year. Our partnerships with organisations within the horseracing industry allow us to continue to develop qualifications that enhance the career prospects of students at Hartpury and to lead best practice for horses, riders and professionals."

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Ahead of the two-day Longines Irish Champions Weekend, three-time champion jockey Colin Keane, onboard a pony called Ginger, gives children attending the Festina Lente centre a riding lesson on Tuesday

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2022:

UNITED KINGDOM

Gustav Klimt (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
65 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners

13:50-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Last Stand (Ire)
15,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2020; 7,000gns

Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2021; €12,000
Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2022

Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
105 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners

14:00-LINGFIELD PARK, 5f, Harry Brown (GB)

14:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, Just Bring It (Ire)
130,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2021

Havana Grey (GB) (Havana Gold {Ire}), Whitsbury Manor Stud
115 foals of racing age/31 winners/3 black-type winners

14:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, Boom Boom Pow (GB)

17:20-HAMILTON PARK, 5f, Kelpie Grey (GB)
11,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2021;
£47,250 Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2022

Jungle Cat (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Kildangan Stud
17 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

18:25-HAMILTON PARK, 6f, Jungle Time (Ire)

Kessaar (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud
77 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners

14:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 5f, Queen of Uplands (Ire)
€37,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2020; 30,000gns Tattersalls
Craven Breeze Up Sale 2022

Massaat (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Mickley Stud
70 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners

15:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 7.25f, Mallorie Parkes (GB)

Sioux Nation (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Stud
165 foals of racing age/28 winners/2 black-type winners

14:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, Colnago (Ire)
€9,500 RNA Tattersalls Ireland Flat Foal & Breeding Stock Sale
2020; €130,000 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2022

15:10-WOLVERHAMPTON, 7.25f, Kohana Breeze (Ire)
£31,500 Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2022

U S Navy Flag (War Front), Coolmore Stud
72 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners

13:50-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Our Florentine (Ire)
 £9,500 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2021

Zoustar (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}), Tweenhills Stud
 107 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner

14:40-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, Zephina (GB)
 3,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2021

FRANCE

Sioux Nation (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Stud
 165 foals of racing age/28 winners/2 black-type winners

2-COMPIEGNE, 1600m, Mon Sioux (GB)
 €12,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2021

IRELAND

Seahenge (Scat Daddy), Haras de la Haie Neuve
 50 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, Holy Scat Passion (Fr)
 €9,500 Arqana Deauville Autumn Flat Yearling Sale 2021;
 €12,000 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2022



Seahenge has a runner in Ireland | Haras de la Haie Neuve

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SON OF DIFFERENT LEAGUE SET FOR GOWRAN BOW

13.55 Gowran, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, c/g, 7fT
 With Ryan Moore engaged elsewhere, Wayne Lordan gets the

call aboard Aidan O'Brien trainee **SUBZERO (IRE) (Galileo {Ire})**, who is the first of two foals out of the dual Group 1-placed G3 Albany S. victrix Different League (Fr) (Dabirsim {Fr}). The April-foaled bay, whose lofty entries include G1 Dewhurst S. and G1 Derby tickets, is opposed by 10 on debut in a contest won by the stable in four out of five renewals.

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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Epsom, £9,500, Mdn, 8-30, 2yo, 8f 113yT, 1:49.77, gd.
COOL PARTY (GB) (c, 2, Postponed {Ire})--Party Line {GB}, by Montjeu {Ire}), denied by a nose going one just over one mile at Lingfield in his Aug. 20 debut last time, accepted a tow racing in second after breaking on the lead here. Forced wide and slipping to third off the home turn, the 2-11 lock ran green when coming under pressure with three furlongs remaining and quickened smartly once finding balance inside the final quarter mile to win, going away, by 2 1/4 lengths from Kyogo (Ire) (Ribchester {Ire}). Cool Party, half to a weanling colt by Bobby's Kitten, is the fifth foal and scorer out of a multiple-winning half to Australia's G3 Easter Cup victor Observational (GB) (Galileo {Ire}). The April-foaled bay's stakes-winning second dam Party (Ire) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) is a full-sister to the dam of G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Teppal (Fr) (Camacho {GB}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$8,044.

O/B-Stuart Counsell (GB); T-Charlie & Mark Johnston.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Raven's Up (Ire), f, 2, **Raven's Pass--Up Tempo** (GB), by Pivotal (GB). Ripon, 8-30, 5fT, 1:00.20. B-Laurence Jones (IRE).

*€10,500 Ylg '21 GOAUTY; €28,000 2yo '22 TATGOR.

Manitou (Ire), g, 2, **Sioux Nation--Jowana** (Ire), by Dutch Art (GB). Chepstow, 8-30, 6f 16yT, 1:09.98. B-Pat Beirne (IRE).

*28th winner for freshman sire (by Scat Daddy). **€18,500 Wlg '20 GOFNOV; £29,000 RNA Ylg '21 TATIRY; £42,000 2yo '22 TATBRG.

Perfect Play (GB), c, 2, **Siyouni (Fr)--Giants Play** (GSW-US & SP-Eng, \$159,449), by Giant's Causeway. Carlisle, 8-30, 7f 173yT, 1:40.04. B-Newsells Park Stud (GB). *90,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. **1/2 to Ispolini (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSW-Ger & UAE, GSP-Eng, \$736,065; Vivionn (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), MGSP-Eng; and Playful Sound (GB) (Street Cry {Ire}), SP-Eng.

Invisible Friend (Ire), f, 3, **Sea The Stars (Ire)--Stealth Missile** (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Carlisle, 8-30, 9fT, 1:59.15. B-Sunderland Holding Inc & Mabaki Inv (IRE). *€160,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV.

Painless Potter (Ire), g, 4, **Camacho (GB)**--Wider World (Ire), by Dubai Destination. Chepstow, 8-30, 8f 14yT, 1:33.51. B-Ronan Tynan (IRE). *€10,000 Wlg '18 TATFBR; £34,000 Ylg '19 GOFFPR.

On Edge (GB), g, 4, **Mayson (GB)**--Edge Of Light (GB), by Xaar (GB). Chepstow, 8-30, 6f 16yT, 1:10.42. B-Christopher & Annabelle Mason Racing (GB).

FRANCE

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dream Of Deauville (Fr), f, 2, **Le Havre (Ire)**--Debutante (Fr) (MSP-Fr), by Gold Away (Ire). Dieppe, 8-30, 9fT, 1:52.70. B-Ecurie des Monceaux, Scuderia Waldeck SNC & Meridian International SARL (FR). *€60,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT.

I Am Incredible (Fr), f, 2, **Pedro The Great**--Selfsame, by Dansili (GB). Dieppe, 8-30, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.80. B-Philip Mahler (FR). *€16,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Hateya (Ire) (**Footstepsinthesand {GB}**), SW-Swe, \$129,465.

Rashford (Fr), c, 2, **Zarak (Fr)**--Radium (Fr), by Sinnidar (Ire). Dieppe, 8-30, 9fT, 1:52.70. B-Friedrich Hodel (FR). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Siyouangel (Fr), f, 3, **Siyouni (Fr)**--Military Angel (MGSP-Ire), by Big Brown. Dieppe, 8-30, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.40. B-Haras de Beauvoir (FR). *€70,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT.

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149TH RENATE & ALBRECHT WOESTE - ZUKUNFTS-RENNEN-G3, €55,000, 2yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	2	Bottle Of Bubbles (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Guyader	T Hammer-Hansen	128
2	7	Bodyman (Fr)	Territories (Ire)	Suborics	Seidl	127
3	6	Sarasto (Fr)	Zoffany (Ire)	Hickst	Madamet	127
4	5	See Paris (Ger)	Counterattack (Aus)	Grewe	Cadeddu	127
5	9	Winning Spirit (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	Schiergen	Murzabayev	127
6	3	Empathie (Ger)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Klug	Starke	123
7	4	Evina (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Suborics	Piechulek	123
8	1	Ghrainne (GB)	Ardad (Ire)	Guyader	Pouchin	123
9	8	Habana (Ger)	Kingman (GB)	Wohler	Pedroza	123

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