FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC CAPS BIG YEAR WITH DECEMBER SALE TUESDAY

by Jessica Martini

Fasig-Tipton Midlantic concludes its 2022 calendar of auctions with the one-session December Mixed and Horses of Racing Age Sale Tuesday in Timonium. Bidding for the first of 286 catalogued horses begins at 11 a.m. The auction opens with an offering of weanlings and broodmares and continues with a selection of yearlings before concluding with horses of racing age.

“We have had a lot of interest,” Fasig-Tipton Midlantic’s sales director Paget Bennett said ahead of Tuesday’s sale. “We have a bunch of weanlings by Kentucky sires and that always piques everybody’s interest. And some of our covering sires are flavors that everybody is after. So I think we have enough of what it takes to get people to come to the sale.”

Bennett continued, “You never know what you have until you see who is walking around the sales grounds and the people you want to see on the sales grounds at a mixed sale are here.”

This will be the fifth year the December auction will offer horses of racing age, but the section really took off when it was dominated by the dispersal of Joseph Besecker in 2019. Besecker’s racehorse offerings also topped the December sale in 2020 and 2021. Besecker will offer 25 racehorses through the Northview Stallion Station consignment Tuesday. Cont. p3

RISING STAR FAIZA SUPPLEMENTED TO STARLET

Faiza (Girvin), named a "TDN Rising Star" off an impressive debut score Nov. 12 at Del Mar, will be supplemented for $10,000 to the $300,000 GI Starlet Saturday at Los Alamitos. The Starlet, which is for fillies at 1 1/16 miles, is the first of four stakes events for 2-year-olds to be run during Los Al’s six-day Winter Thoroughbred meet that opens Friday.

Owned by Michael Lund Petersen, who won the 2015 GI Los Alamitos Futurity with Mor Spirit (Es肯德雷)， and trained by Hall of Famer Bob Baffert, Faiza cruised to a 3 1/2-length victory under wraps in her unveiling, covering six furlongs in 1:09.28. She was a $725,000 purchase earlier this year at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic sale. Cont. p4

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68 SIX-Figure FIRST-CROP YEARLINGS

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*TDN Sale Statistics, 11/21

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ATTORNEYS SANCTIONED IN HAGYARD X-RAY CASE

Dan Ross reports that two attorneys representing Midwest trainer Tom Swearingen have been ordered to repay the defendants’ legal costs in their suit against Hagyard Davidson McGee Associates.

WAGERING DOWN, PURSES UP IN NOVEMBER

Wagering dipped slightly in November and is now flat overall compared to last year’s pace, while purses continued their rise.

CHAN PLEADS GUILTY TO SINGLE FELONY COUNT

New York-based veterinarian Alexander Chan cut a plea bargain with the government Monday.
Fasig Midlantic December Sale Preview cont. from p1

“[Besecker] kind of gave the racehorse section the shot in the arm that it needed,” Bennett said. “So between Besecker and [Three Diamonds Farm’s] Kirk Wycoff and his son adding horses this year, I think people realize there is a spot to sell here at the end of the of the year—if they don’t go south and turf racing just stopped at Laurel a week or so ago. The horses still have some conditions on them, so people can buy them and go right on, if that’s what they choose to do.”

Fasig-Tipton continued to add horses with current form to the catalogue in the week before the auction as Besecker’s Bazinga C (Exaggerator), who finished third in the Safely Kept S. at Laurel Nov. 26 was added to the line-up last Thursday.

“From what I’m hearing, everybody is needing racehorses,” Bennett said. “They can go south with them. And we’ve had people from California inquiring about horses. Our representative out there called me to say people were desperate for horses out there.”

The Fasig-Tipton Midlantic season opened in May with a record-setting 2-Year-Olds in Training sale and graduates of the Timonium sale ring continue to find success on the racetrack.

“It’s been a pretty exciting year,” Bennett said. “The 2-year-old sale was amazing. And the yearling grads have done really well. It’s nice to see when a horse jumps up and does something big and you say where did he come from, and it came from Midlantic. It speaks a lot and we are very proud of our accomplishments and look forward to having more.”

Fasig-Tipton Midlantic will be hosting a second 2-year-old sale in 2023, with the inaugural June sale slated for June 28. The under-tack show for the auction is scheduled for June 26. With the absence of the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale on the 2023 calendar, the June sale will give sellers another opportunity to work their horses over a dirt track and in an area with strong regional racing programs.

“We turn so many horses away for the May sale and the number of horses we turn away is a sale in itself,” Bennett said. “People had inquired whether we would have a second sale last year. We weren’t able to make it happen last year, but it was something we wanted to put on the calendar for 2023 and it just worked out. I think it will be a win-win for a lot of people. If you don’t make May, you can make later June. Or for horses that are broken and trained up here, they don’t have to feel like they are behind the eight ball with winter weather. With all the racing options around here, with Colonial Downs, with Delaware and the Delaware-certified program and the Pennsylvania-breds and sired stakes that they just created this year and ran for the first time, there is just a lot of interest. The venues are making it interesting and appealing to buy horses to run in these areas.”

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CORNICHE
The best juvenile by leading sire Quality Road
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Fee $30,000

Faiza Supplemented to Starlet cont. from p1

Baffert—who has won the Starlet five times in a row with Dream Tree (Uncle Mo) in 2017, Chasing Yesterday (Tapit) in 2018, Bast (Uncle Mo) in 2019, Varda (Distorted Humor) in 2020 and Eda (Munnings) last year--may also start the maiden Doinitthehardway (Street Sense).

Entries for the Starlet will be taken Wednesday.

ATTORNEYS SANCTIONED IN X-RAY CASE AGAINST HAGYARD

by Dan Ross

Two attorneys representing Midwest trainer Tom Swearingen, who filed a class-action lawsuit in February 2019 alleging that Hagyard Davidson McGee Associates had been falsifying dates on radiographs for over a decade, have in a rare judicial move been ordered to repay the defendants' legal costs in the case, according to a decision dated Dec. 1 out of the Fayette Circuit Court in Kentucky.

In her decision, judge Julie Muth Goodman determined that Swearingen’s attorneys, Mason Miller and William Rambicure, had violated civil rule (CR) 11 in bringing the case against four Hagyard veterinarians without "reasonable inquiry" to gauge the merits of their client's claims.

"Miller and Rambicure's conduct in the case became particularly egregious when they continued to prosecute the Complaint after Swearingen’s written discovery responses confirmed that the Complaint’s allegations regarding Swearingen’s review of x-rays in the repository were untrue, that Swearingen could not prove requisite elements of his individual or class claims, and that he never qualified as the putative class representative,” wrote Goodman. Cont. p5
KENTUCKY-BREDS swept all four Grade 1 races the last two weeks: PROXY won the Clark S. (G1); MIND CONTROL was victorious in the Cigar Mile (G1); SPEAKING SCOUT captured the Hollywood Derby (G1), and REGAL GLORY scored in the Matriarch S. (G1).

CLARK S. (G1)
PROXY
Owner: Godolphin
Breeder: Godolphin
Trainer: Michael Stidham

CIGAR MILE (G1)
MIND CONTROL
Owner: Red Oak Stable & Madaket Stables
Breeder: Red Oak Stable
Trainer: Todd Pletcher

HOLLYWOOD DERBY (G1)
SPEAKING SCOUT
Owner: Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners
Breeder: Mike Abraham
Trainer: H. Graham Motion

MATRIARCH S. (G1)
REGAL GLORY
Kee Jan '21 - $925,000
Owner: Peter Brant
Breeder: Paul Pompa
Trainer: Chad Brown

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The circuit court ruling follows an appeals court ruling from earlier in the year that affirmed an earlier Fayette Circuit Court decision to dismiss Swearingen’s original class action complaint, along with the trial court’s denial of the trainer’s contemporaneous motion to file an amended class action complaint.

According to attorney Mike Casey, who represents three of the Hagyard veterinarians in the case, it is “exceedingly rare” for a court to grant Rule CR 11 sanctions against attorneys.

“And frankly, we don’t ask for them unless we believe the conduct was egregious because people have a constitutional right in Kentucky to file a lawsuit,” said Casey. “It’s ironic to file a lawsuit for fraud and it ends up being a fraudulent lawsuit.”

According to last week’s court order, Miller and Rambicure are required to pay “jointly or severally” the defendants’ reasonable attorney fees and costs “from the day following the tendering of discovery responses until the date of this order.”

These “costs and fees” preclude those associated with the plaintiff’s appeals court case. “This Court lacks jurisdiction over filings in matters before the Court of Appeals,” Goodman notes.

Casey declined to comment on the amount Miller and Rambicure will be required to pay, adding that he would first have to discuss the matter with three other law firms representing the defendants.

It is currently unclear if Miller and Rambicure will appeal last week’s circuit court decision. They did not respond to an emailed request for comment before deadline.

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INTO MISCHIEF – ROSEMONDE

by INDIAN CHARLIE

2023 STUD FEE: $7,500 S&N

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In his original complaint, Swearingen claimed that he had purchased two dozen horses at Keeneland during the time the Hagyard veterinarians had allegedly been falsifying dates on the X-rays placed on file at the sales, and suggested he would not have purchased the horses had he known about the alteration.

It later transpired that Swearingen had never viewed or relied on X-rays during the years in question, nor did he have a veterinarian examine the X-rays.

“While it is certainly questionable whether the Complaint should ever have been filed, it should have become clear to Miller and Rambicure that their Plaintiff's case was completely groundless when Swearingen's discovery responses and deposition testimony indicated that he had never accessed Keeneland's x-ray depository and therefore could never have made purchasing decisions based on the misdated x-rays,” Goodman writes.

“Both Miller and Rambicure could have, and should have, dismissed the case at this point, and their decision to continue prosecuting the case anyway was egregious enough to merit an award of sanctions. The Court, therefore, in its discretion, finds it appropriate to compensate the Defendants for attorney's fees and other costs incurred past this point in the litigation, beginning the day following the tendering of Swearingen's discovery responses.”

**WAGERING DOWN, PURSES UP IN NOVEMBER**

Purses for U.S. races continued their positive trend in November, while wagering handle ticked down to essentially put the year's betting numbers on par with 2021's figures heading into 2022's final month, according to economic indicator figures released by Equibase Monday.

A total of $918,196,787 was bet on U.S. races in November, a 4.47% decrease from the $961,166,113 wagered in November 2021. For the year, $11,360,902,118 has been bet, just a .4% drop from the $11,406,643,956 wagered through 11 months in 2021. This year's total still represents an 11.7% increase from the number through November in 2020.

Purses totaled $123,469,492 this November, a 4.91% improvement from the $117,688,125 paid out in November 2021. For the year, purses have totaled $1,226,689,699, a healthy 10.91% jump from the $1,106,062,847 from November 2021. Compared to the COVID-affected year of 2020, purses are up an overwhelming 51.03% in 2022.

For the year, average field size in American racing is 7.26, a slight .93% drop from 7.33 in 2021 and an 8.19% decrease from 7.91 in 2020.
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CHAN PLEADS GUILTY TO SINGLE FELONY COUNT IN PLEA DEAL

by T.D. Thornton

The New York-based veterinarian Alexander Chan, facing three felony charges related to drug adulteration, misbranding, and wire fraud conspiracies for allegedly injecting purported performance-enhancing drugs (PEDs) into racehorses trained by co-defendant Jason Servis and then hiding the billing for his services, cut a plea bargain with the government Monday.

Chan's deal involved waiving indictment and pleading guilty to a single superseding information charge of drug adulteration and misbranding in exchange for the other charges against him being dropped, a format that is similar in substance to deals that other convicted defendants in the wide-ranging doping conspiracy case have agreed to with government prosecutors rather than face a trial by jury.

Chan had signaled his intention to plead guilty last Thursday, when he asked for and was swiftly granted a Dec. 5 change-of-plea hearing in United States District Court (Southern District of New York).

That decision seemingly left Servis as the lone remaining high-profile defendant in the case to go to trial as scheduled Jan. 9. But news broke Friday that Servis, too, is seeking a plea deal to adjudicate his own trio of felony drug misbranding and conspiracy to commit fraud charges. There was no update on the court docket with regard to Servis's case status as of early Monday evening.

As part of his plea deal, Chan will also have to pay the feds a forfeiture of $311,760. The money judgment represents the value of "any and all drugs that were adulterated or misbranded when introduced into or while in interstate commerce or while held for sale..." according to court documents filed Dec. 5.

Chan's sentencing will be Apr. 13.

CODY'S WISH WINS 2022 SECRETARIAT VOX POPULI AWARD

Edited Press Release

Cody's Wish (Curlin), this year's GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile winner who shares an endearing bond with Cody Dorman, has been voted the winner of the 2022 Secretariat Vox Populi Award. Created by Secretariat's owner Penny Chenery, the annual award recognizes the horse whose popularity and racing excellence best resounded with the public and gained recognition for Thoroughbred racing.

Owned by Godolphin, trained by Bill Mott, and ridden throughout the year by Junior Alvarado, Cody's Wish and his special story have gained affection and admiration that transcend the sport of racing. On the track, Cody's Wish's 2022 accomplishments featured four victories in five starts, including impressive performances in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile and GI Forego Stakes. In addition to his racing success, it was his continuing connection with his now 16-year-old namesake Cody Dorman, who lives with a rare genetic disorder, that captured fans' hearts and an abundance of Vox Populi votes. Cont. p8
In 2018, Richmond, Kentucky native Dorman was offered a tour of Godolphin’s Gainsborough Farm as part of Keeneland’s Make-A-Wish Day. Dorman’s condition, Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome, renders him unable to speak and relegates him to a wheelchair. During Dorman’s visit to the farm, an inquisitive six-month-old foal walked over to young Cody and put his head in the boy’s lap. And with that, the bay colt earned his name: Cody’s Wish. Nearly four years later, the special bond and sweet interactions between the two continue, including just days before this year’s Breeders’ Cup when the horse reconnected with his longtime pal.

"Cody’s Wish and his namesake Cody Dorman forged an instant bond that would grow to connect millions of fans to their inspiring story of hope and determination," said Kate Chenery Tweedy, daughter of Penny Chenery. "Not only did Cody’s Wish win the Breeders’ Cup Dirt Mile, as Cody predicted, but both Cody’s won the hearts of people everywhere. Their uplifting story exemplifies the best ideals of the Vox Populi Award, just as Mom wished."

Nominees for the award were submitted by the Vox Populi Committee, comprised of distinguished personalities from within and outside the racing industry. Voters also had the option to write in their own favorite candidate to recognize other exceptional horses.

The Vox Populi trophy presentation is scheduled to take place at Santa Anita Park on Jan. 14. For more information about the award, visit Secretariat.com.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 4, 2022
NORTH AMERICAN-BASED STALLIONS

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*NOTE: Last week’s listing did not include Trademark (Upstart)’s victory in the Commonwealth Turf. We include it here in the spirit of comprehensiveness.

Italics indicate new activity, statistics include Northern Hemisphere results only. Want to promote your stallion? Email suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com.
Howgreatisnate looked to answer the question: could he make it four wins in-a-row? In his three prior starts all at Delaware Park, he put away fields by using his late speed in the final sixteenth. After breaking his maiden Aug. 31 by almost four lengths, the gelding's second career race was a half-length victory while recording his first stakes win in the Sept. 29 First State Dash. Howgreatisnate returned to face optional claiming foes Nov. 5, and that result was a 1 1/2-length score. Sent off second choice here, he allowed a trio of runners to win the break, and he was content to stalk after a :22.00 flat quarter mile.

Also Ran: V Mart, Silver Slugger, Evey's Candy. Scratched: Tap in Formation.

Going :45.30 at the half-mile marker, the bay ranged up on the far turn three-wide, steadily putting away Belt Parkway, and driving down the lane made quick work of Daydreaming Boy, who was 3 1/2 back in the end. His dam produced a filly by Catalina Cruiser in 2021, and was bred to Unified in 2022.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:
FUTURE STARS S., $75,000, Parx Racing, 12-5, 2yo, 6f, 1:12.07, ft
1--HOWGREATISNATE, 124, g, 2, by Speightster
  1st Dam: Bee Dees Bid, by Tapit
  2nd Dam: Seeking Simplicity, by Seeking the Gold
  3rd Dam: Ask Me No Secrets, by Seattle Slew
($67,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.
O-Imaginary Stables; B-B. D. Gibbs Farm, LLC (KY); T-Andrew L. Simoff; J-J. D. Acosta. $44,400. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, $162,900.

2--Daydreaming Boy, 120, c, 2, Goldencents--Denali Dreamscape, by Corinthian. ($15,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; $31,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; $15,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN).
1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Bran Jam Stable and David W. Clark; B-Hinkle Farms (KY); T-Louis C. Linder, Jr. $14,800.

3--Belt Parkway, 120, c, 2, Mendelssohn--Canaryinacage, by Mineshaft. ($160,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG; $30,000 2yo '22 EASMAY).
1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Trin-Brook Stables, Inc.; B-Mina Equivest LLC (NY); T-Uriah St. Lewis. $7,400.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
9th-Del Mar, $76,000, Alw (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 12-4, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.07, fm, head.
EARLS ROCK (IRE) (g, 4, Fascinating Rock {Ire}--Ajaadat {GB}, by Shamardal) debuted Sept. 4 in Ireland as a 3-year-old before joining Phil D'Amato's Southern California base last December. After breaking his maiden at Santa Anita Jan. 9, the Irish bred cutback from a mile to 6 1/2 furlongs to win the Feb. 5 Baffle S., and then faded to fifth in the GIII Transylvania S. at Keeneland Apr. 2. Gelded in early summer, the bay resumed training in July, and returned to racing against optional claiming grass milers at Santa Anita Nov. 5 where he was third. This time, the 5-2 second choice tucked into a nice striking position behind Mecklenburg (Ire) (Power {GB}), who led the way through opening fractions of :23.84 and :47.47.

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Taking aim at the pacesetter around the far turn, Earls Rock {Ire} made up ground with a sixteenth to go, fending off a furious charge in the final strides from stablemate and favorite Lincoln Hawk {Ire} (Mehmas {Ire}) to win by a head. From the family of MG1SW Shamardal, dam Ajaadat (GB) (round bracket) recently produced a filly by Camelot {GB} in 2021, and a full-sister in 2022. Sales History: €8,000 Ylg ’19 GOAUTY. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, $147,799. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-A Fanticola; B-Newtownanner Stud Farm (IRE); T-P D’Amato.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
5th-Zia, $32,500, Msw, 12-5, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.44, ft, 6 3/4 lengths.

CHRISTIAN D’ORO (f, 2, Bolt d’Oro--Mary Sue Weloveyou, by The Factor) made her second start of her career after missing by 3/4 length going 5 1/2 panels at Zia Park on debut Nov. 21. As the 1/5 chalk, the $80,000 OBSMAR purchase rolled down the backstretch, challenged by long shot More Than Shakin (Shakin It Up), as they registered :22.26 at the quarter pole. However, Christian d’Oro revved her engine past the half-mile marker at :45:45, and cruised geared down in the stretch to win by almost seven lengths over Cairo Moon (Cairo Prince), who ended up a distant second. This is the 23rd winner for her freshman sire (by Medaglia d’Oro).

Out of a mare that produced a colt by Take Charge Indy in 2022, she visited Runhappy by 2023. Sales History: $18,000 Ylg ’21 KEESSEP; $80,000 2yo ’22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $26,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-G. Chris Coleman; B-Ben D Farm (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher.

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
2022 Stud Fees Listed
Eastwood (Speightstown), Blackstone Farm, $2,500
11 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Parx Racing, 2:37 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Go East, 9-2

Sharp Azteca (Freud), Three Chimneys Farm, $5,000
132 foals of racing age/31 winners/3 black-type winners
7-Parx Racing, 2:37 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Meet the Elite, 8-1
Saturday’s Results:
6th-Nakayama, ¥13,400,000 ($98,298), Newcomers, 2yo, 1200m, 1:12.9, ft.
LUCKS AT THERE (f, 2, Kantharos--Come Sunday {SW, $270,845}, by Repent), a $45,000 purchase out of last year's Keeneland September sale, was the 33-10 second choice in her first trip to the races and was beaten for speed before settling ahead of midfield while wide. Under a ride into the final three furlongs, the half-sister to Someday Soon (Proud Citizen), SW & GISP, $292,098; and Let’s Be Clear (Munnings), SP, $183,714, was asked for her best three off the inside entering the straight, dueled with a rival deep into the final furlong and prevailed by a hard-fought neck. Also kin to the 2-year-old filly Who Da Boss (Street Boss), Lucks At There is out of an own sister to MSW Repenting. Sales history: $45,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $52,111.
O-M Taki; B-The Estate of Tommy G Ligon (KY); T-Makoto Saito.

6th-Hanshin, ¥9,900,000 ($72,564), Mdn, 2yo, 1800m, 1:54, ft.
YUTTITHAM (JPN) (c, 2, Justify--Zipessa {GISW, $783,550}, by City Zip), a promising second on Sapporo debut Aug. 27, was pounded into 10 cents on the dollar for this second go and made no mistakes. Drawn barrier one, the chestnut--bearing the Deep Impact (Jpn) silks--missed the kick slightly, but quickly recovered to press the pace from the outside. Allowed to ease into the lead under an easy hold on the turn, Yuttitham hit another gear turning into the lane and pulled away to take it by a decisive eight lengths. Yuttitham is the first foal out of his dam, upset winner of the GI First Lady S. for Empyrean Stable and Michael Stidham in 2017 and purchased by Shadai Farm for $1.25 million at Keeneland November in 2018. The colt was purchased for better than $1.8 million at last year's JRHA Select Sales in Hokkaido and his yearling half-brother by Isla Bonita (Jpn) (Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)) was secured by this owner for approximately $559,000 at this year's sale. Zipessa is the dam of a weanling filly by in-form stallion Kizuna (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)). Sales history: $1,815,520 Ylg '21 JRHAJUL. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $59,071.
O-Makoto Kaneko Holdings; B-Shadai Farm; T-Naosuke Sugai.

Sunday’s Results:
6th-Nakayama, ¥14,250,000 ($104,504), Allowance, 2yo, 1200m, 1:11.1, ft.
ECORO ARES (c, 2, Unified--Red Hot Tweet, by Heatseeker {Ire}) was the impressive winner of his 1400-meter debut at Hanshin Oct. 9, but was a midfield seventh trying nine furlongs in the Listed JBC Nisai Yushun Nov. 3. Back to three-quarters of a mile for this, the $72,000 KEESEP yearling turned $210,000 OBSMAR juvenile put himself right into the early mix, argued the pace while between rivals every step of the way and gamely held sway late by a neck. One of three winners from three to race for his dam, Ecoro Ares is the mare's last listed produce. Sales history: $72,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; $210,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $104,003.
O-Masatoshi Haramura; B-St Simon Place LLC & Scott Stephens (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori.

6th-Hanshin, ¥13,400,000 ($98,298), Newcomers, 2yo, 1400m, 1:25.6, gd.
IN HIS EYES (f, 2, Race Day--Lee Ann W, by Mr. Greeley) was the narrow 21-10 second favorite while making her debut from the one hole Sunday and jumped alertly to lead her rivals onto the dirt course. Traveling under an easy hold on the turn, she was shaken up with a quarter-mile to race and kept on strongly to take it by 1 1/4 lengths. A $3,000 purchase out of the 2021 Wanamaker's March Sale, the gray filly had her fair share of admirers when hammering for $250,000 at this year’s OBS April Sale (.10 1/5). In His Eyes is a half-sister to Peruvian Boy (Tapiture), MSP, $228,316, and her female family includes MG1SW Advertise (GB) (Showcasting (GB)). Sales history: $3,000 Ylg '21 WANMAR; $250,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $52,126.
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8th-Zia, $47,000, (S), 12-5, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.29, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

CHEESE TRAY (g, 4, Attila’s Storm--Road to Reason, by Redattore (Brz)) Lifetime Record: 21-6-6-6, $283,866. O/B-J. Kirk Robison & Judy Robison (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher.

7th-Zia, $44,000, (S), Alw, 12-5, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:06.17, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

MCMERCUSUL (g, 4, McKenna’s Justice--Royal Bling, by Too Much Bling) Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-1, $76,415. O-Judge Lanier Racing, LLC; B-McKenna Thoroughbreds LLC (NM); T-Nancy Summers.

8th-Golden Gate Fields, $38,674, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 12-4, 3yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.39, ft, 3/4 length.

LOVE CANDY (g, 3, Danzing Candy--Love Winning, by Tapizar) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-0, $106,136. O/B-Stuart Tsujimoto (CA); T-Ed Moger, Jr.

8th-Mahoning Valley, $26,400, 12-5, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.67, ft, 8 3/4 lengths.

ATOMIC TONE (g, 3, Protonico--Blind On the Music (MSW & GSP, $153,167), by Too Much Bling) Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, $53,856. O-Jerry Ward; B-International Equities Holding, Inc. (KY); T-Michael L. Rone.

6th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, $20,352, (S), 12-4, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:14.19, gd, 1/2 length.

TIMBERRY TIDDLER (g, 4, Machen--Cobra Girl, by Badge of Silver) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, $40,775. O/B-T-J. Michael Baird (OH).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Pine Valley, c, 3, Maclean’s Music--Je Suis Tizzy, by Tiznow. Parx Racing, 12-5, 6 1/2f, 1:18.36. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-2, $73,923. B-Fredric Gussin (KY). *$32,000 RNA Wlg ’19 KEENOV; $75,000 Ylg ’20 EASOCT; $250,000 2yo ’21 TTFMAR; $60,000 3yo ’22 KEENOV.

IN JAPAN:

Lucks At There, f, 2, Kantharos. See ‘US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan’

In His Eyes, f, 2, Race Day. See ‘US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan’

Ecoro Ares, c, 2, Unified. See ‘US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan’

Jasper Jack, h, 6, Declaration of War--Crescent Moon, by Seeking the Gold. Nakayama, 12-4, Lapis Lazuli S.-Listed, 1200mT, 1:08.1. Lifetime Record: 23-5-3-1, $780,161. O-Kazuo Kato; B-Camas Park Stud (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori. *1ST STAKES WIN. **$175,000 Ylg ’17 KEESSEP.

IN JAPAN:

Yuttitham (Jpn), c, 2, Justify. See ‘US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan’

IN CHILE:

Fortino (Chi), c, 3, Midshipman--Farreras (Chi), by Fusaichi Pegasus. Hipodromo Chile, 12-3, Clasico Premio St Leger-G1, 2200m, 2:15.50. B-Haras Don Alberto. VIDEO (SC 5)

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**DANZING CANDY**, Love Candy, g, 3, o/o Love Winning, by Tapizar. AOC, 12-4, Golden Gate

**FASCINATING ROCK (IRE)**, Earls Rock (Ire), g, 4, o/o Ajaadat (GB), by Shamardal. AOC, 12-4, Del Mar

**MACHEN**, Timberry Tidder, g, 4, o/o Cobra Girl, by Badge of Silver. ALW, 12-4, Mountaineer

**MACLEAN'S MUSIC**, Pine Valley, c, 3, o/o Je Suis Tizzy, by Tiznow. MSW, 12-5, Parx Racing

**MCKENNA'S JUSTICE**, McMercelus, g, 4, o/o Royal Bling, by Too Much Bling. ALW, 12-5, Zia

**PROTONICO**, Atomic Tone, g, 3, o/o Bling On the Music, by Too Much Bling. ALW, 12-5, Mahoning Valley

**SPEIGHTSTER**, Howgreatisnate, g, 2, o/o Bee Dees Bid, by Tapit. Future Stars S., 12-5, Parx Racing

**TIZNOW**, Liznow, f, 3, o/o World Event, by Quiet American. MSW, 12-5, Mahoning Valley
‘IF YOU DIDN’T GET PAID THIS YEAR YOU DID SOMETHING WRONG’

By Brian Sheerin

As entertaining as he is brave, Philipp Stauffenberg has dominated the top bracket of the pinhooking table despite buying only a select number of foals each year.

Stauffenberg was once again in the spotlight in October when five of his yearlings took Tattersalls by storm when selling for a combined figure of 2,345,000gns at a memorable Book 1 sale.

Back at Tattersalls, where he was searching for his next Book 1 star at the December Foal Sales, the never-boring and cigarillo-smoking Stauffenberg spoke with TDN Europe’s Brian Sheerin about his approach to pinhooking, love for breeding, family history and much more.

Stauffenberg went on to add another foal to his portfolio at the December Breeding Stock Sale at Arqana, a €150,000 Hello Youmzain (Ire) filly. He also sold four foals at that sale and explains the reasons why they were offered at public auction below. Cont. p3

APPLEBY WINS SECOND CONSECUTIVE FLAT TRAINERS’ CHAMPIONSHIP

For the second straight year, Newmarket-based trainer Charlie Appleby was honored with the Derby Award as 2022’s champion flat trainer by the Horserace Writers and Photographers Association (HWPA).

The 47-year-old Appleby so far this year has been represented by 150 winners and 225 seconds from 478 starters—a 31% win rate—and his runners have earned £6,225,397. Among those victories were 18 European Group winners—three Group 1s—including a one-two finish in the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas with Coroebus (Dubawi {Ire}) and Native Trail (Oasis Dream {GB}), a first victory for the conditioner in the prestigious Classic.

The HWPA award completes a clean sweep of the 2022 jockeys’, trainers’ and owners’ championships for Godolphin, who in addition to Appleby also employs jockey William Buick.

“‘I’m hugely proud of what myself and the team have achieved in backing the Trainers’ Championship up for a second consecutive year,” Appleby said. “I’m very lucky to have the team at Moulton Paddocks and Godolphin and I’m extremely appreciative of their dedication. Cont. p8

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MIDLANTIC MIXED SALE SET FOR TUESDAY

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For the second day in a row, a filly from the consignment of the Aga Khan Studs topped the Arqana Vente d’Elevage when the 3-year-old filly Vazzana (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) was sold to Busherstown for €120,000.

Leading jumps owner J P McManus and recently retired Kevin Manning were among those honoured Monday with Horse Racing Ireland Awards.

Coolmore America will stand five new stallions at Ashford in 2023. Corniche ($30,000), Early Voting ($25,000), Epicenter ($45,000), Golden Pal, pictured, ($30,000) and Jack Christopher ($45,000).
Now that the foal sales are almost finished for 2022, how would you sum up buying in the current market?
Very tough. If you wanted to buy quality, the prices had risen and, overall, the selection of foals in that top bracket was very small. Quite often you can find the nice horse without the pedigree or else you have the page and the physical does not match up. I like to buy the physical and some of these physicals just didn’t have a strong enough page for me. The problem for me is that we do all of the work back home in Germany. All the foals come back home to Germany and we prep them there. I have to focus on the Book 1, Book 2 or Orby horse, as that is where the market has the best chance of holding up. It is quite difficult doing these high-level pinhooks. Obviously, you have a reduced number of people who are able to afford these high-end yearlings so, if I buy a foal for say €100,000, a lot of trainers and owners will automatically say that it will be out of their range when it comes to the yearling sales. For that reason, it is a little bit of a risk to buy in that bracket but, when it works out, it’s very good. The other problem I face is, I just can’t buy the numbers. Nowadays I buy seven to 10 foals. We are a small operation. I have a few principles on how I want to raise these horses so we keep only a very small number on the farm, so we never overstock. I have just 39 boxes on the farm and these are all limiting factors. So, if I was to go to pretty much all of the sales and buy horses at every level, I would completely lose control. This is why I focus on the few sales and limit my selection process.

I know you said you are concentrating on the top bracket but I noticed you bought a few speedier types on pedigree at least—two Dandy Mans (Ire) and an Advertise (GB)—at the foal sales at Goffs.

Buying that Advertise filly happened more or less by accident. I didn’t target that filly. I was looking at other foals and I saw her out of the corner of my eye and really liked her. I bought her and, yes, additionally there is hope that Advertise will produce some very good 2-year-olds and she is a lovely physical, and I really adored her. I just thought they were racehorses. Whether they will be successful pinhooks, I don’t know, but I think they are racehorses and that’s why I bought them.

Are you down on numbers for this year given you bought only two foals at Tattersalls?
I am happy with what I bought. I got six foals at Goffs and only two here at Tattersalls. I have some very nice colts but I am lacking the high-end filly. There was a better selection of high-end fillies here at Tattersalls on paper than at Goffs but the owner-breeders, Juddmonte especially, were so strong. The value was not there for me. I underbid the Lope De Vega (Ire) filly that Juddmonte bought for half a million—I went to 480,000gns—but, paying that price, your margin becomes very thin when you are buying for resale. I just wanted to have her. She was the one I liked the most of all the filly foals here. But I didn’t succeed. I bid 600,000gns on the sister to Chaldean (GB) and she sold for one million. I formed a special syndicate to buy Chaldean when he was a foal but, again, Juddmonte were strong on him and already owned half of him. I just had to leave him behind as well. So I fended off all of my competitors on these high-end foals but when the owner-breeders, who are the people you want to be selling to the following year as yearlings, come in and bid strong, you cannot compete with that. Cont. p4
That was the major theme to develop at Tattersalls with Juddmonte, Shadwell and Moyglare being so strong. It must have been fairly demoralising going head-to-head with operations of that size?

Yea, it is in a way. You do your selection process and target these horses, then you try to think about what kind of money you will have to spend and, when it comes to the bidding, you can even go beyond your limit to try and get it and then you don’t succeed. Obviously that is tough. But anyway, you have to cope with that. It’s how the whole thing works. I only had a very short list of these fillies so, when you target them and cannot buy them, it is a little bit frustrating.

It seemed like a lot of buyers were zoning in on the top of the market. Perhaps the thinking there is that, if there is a bit of a downturn in the economy, they will have the yearlings to sell to the recession-proof operations?

I think so. It is not only us but some of the pinhookers who have been operating at that high level, they have been really well-rewarded. The thinking is that it is a safer option. Okay, you have to spend a little bit more money but it might be better in the reselling process to focus on that bracket. Whether we have a year like this again, that is a question mark.

We had a very special situation this year where Sheikh Mohammed and his son were incredibly strong on the high-end yearlings. Their spending impacted every other level of the market because the high-end buyers couldn’t succeed at the top level against him and were forced to drop down. There was a knock-on effect and it lifted everything.

Cont. p5
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There was a cloud of doubt hanging over the yearling sales this year so, given what transpired, how surprising was that?

If you leave our little bubble, you have the war in Europe, which we haven't had since World War II, all the other problems the industry is facing with the situation in China and the supply chain, and the fact we had the coronavirus for two years as well. You had to be worried but the yearling sales turned out to be sensational. People say to me, oh you had a tremendous year, how do you do it? I think that is wrong. I might be a little bit more in the limelight through some big prices but, the truth is, anyone who had a half-decent horse made a profit this year. Whether it was a breeder or a pinhooker, it didn't matter, the whole market was so strong. If you didn't get paid this year, you did something wrong. You can't blame others. This year was the year for everybody and I think that was reflected in the foal sales and even more so now in the sales of mares. It's madness. It really is. I looked at every foal I felt would get into Book 1 and 2 at Tattersalls as well as high-end Orby types and, let me tell you, what some of my colleagues spent on foals that I would not like to touch was amazing.

You mentioned the war in Ukraine. Unfortunately, war is something your family knows all too much about. Can you tell us a little more about that?

My grand-uncle tried to assassinate Hitler but failed. The whole family was sent to a concentration camp after that. The order came from the German government for all of them to be killed and quite a big number of them were. A lot of my family were shot after it happened. My father told me all about his own situation in the concentration camp. He told me about how they were on the walk to death, as the German government had found someone who was willing to kill us all, but thankfully the war ended just in time and we were freed by the Americans. It's a relief that I am here today and I feel lucky but it does not really influence what I do in my life. Sometimes, you have to factor in what is going on in that world and how many people are in that same situation in Ukraine right now. Cont. p6
Conversations cont.

The war in Ukraine could have had a much more detrimental effect on our industry.
Definitely. Okay, it’s happening in Europe and is very close to us so it’s overall very worrying but the war and the coronavirus have had a big impact on the way people do things. I have never seen so many poorly raised foals because of the costs involved—the price of everything has gone up. Don’t forget we didn’t have the easiest of years with the drought, either. This was also a major factor as well. Maybe that is why there was a smaller selection of foals but a lot more breeders may have decided not to sell their stock as foals due to the strength of the yearling market. They had too much money left over on the table so maybe a higher number of the better foals from this year’s crop will be offered as yearlings next year. The pinhooking game is about getting value when buying foals. You have to weigh up if the foal has been underdone just because the people who prepped it didn’t do the best possible job or whether the basics have not been laid with that foal. If the foal has had a poor youth, then you lack a foundation to be able to build them up. For example, if the bone substance is not there because they have not been raised properly, they will never make it as racehorses. The aim is to buy a really good racehorse and make money on the way. That is necessary to keep the whole thing going. But at the end of the day, if you don’t sell good racehorses and only sell nice show horses, it will not work.

Can you give us an idea of what kind of work you do with the foals between now and the yearling sales?
In the first few weeks, you have to look after them especially well because they have gone through a pretty difficult process. They have been prepped, which is one thing, and then the sales with all of the shows can be quite demanding. You have to be careful that these foals don’t fall into a hole when you buy them. They normally live out 24/7 but we bring them in every day to check temperatures and give them a chance to lay in the straw or whatever. But they more or less live outside all of the time. You have to keep a close eye on how they are. That’s very important, especially at this time. Luckily, I have had fewer foals who need to be wrapped up all of the time. I just hate these foals who have been pampered going to the sales. They are just not tough enough to live out all of the time so you may have to adjust one or two things for these ones. You can’t leave those ones out day and night because it gets quite cold with us in Germany. It’s an individual process but the goal is that they will all live outside in time. It’s a natural approach and it’s the same for when we prep them as yearlings. We don’t keep them in the boxes during that time. All of them go out, depending on the weather, but usually they all stay out at night until the beginning of September. After that, they get turned out for between four and six hours per day. It’s much more labour intensive and I need a lot more staff to do it this way. For me, the horse comes first and, in nature, they wouldn’t stay the whole day in a box and not be moving. That’s why I like to have them out as much as possible.

It’s a big family operation with your wife Marion and daughter Alexandra heavily involved at the sales which must be a big help?
It’s fantastic that it is like that. Alexandra studies in London but when I ruptured my Achilles tendon, I could not do anything with the yearlings and it was difficult to find staff so we managed to persuade her university to allow her to come back and work with us. She had to do an internship in the bracket of luxury goods and we managed to convince the university that we are dealing with luxury goods. This allowed her to come back and work with us and continue her studies. She always loved the horses and I was really happy to have an assistant this year. Whether she will continue in horses when her studies are complete, we don’t know.

When you think of this game objectively and explain what you do to people outside of the industry, spending six figures on a foal in the hope of turning it into a million-Euro yearling, it’s all a bit crazy, isn’t it?
I think about that more than you would believe. I think I am a realist. You may not believe that but I have my feet down on the earth and I am realistic about what can happen. It has just developed this way but I know that I am mad to be doing what I am doing. It is madness. Even I can admit that. It is mad and I am mad to be doing it.

Has there ever been times where you thought it was too mad?
Again, I am thinking every moment like this. It is a high-risk
thing. The way I do this, I select and buy the foals first and when I have finished my shopping, we start to split the horses up between different partners. That is a long process because it is difficult to please everyone. I'm not doing this, for example, in a way where everyone has to take 10 per cent of every horse, it's all different. Some may want 20 per cent in one and nothing in the other. It is up to me to try and balance the whole thing out. Whoever is willing to support every horse is at an advantage.

Can you explain a little more about who the partners are and what the breakdown of the investment is like?
There are some foals where I am left with them myself. A good example would be two years ago when I bought a Free Eagle (Ire) colt. He was well-bred on the dam side but obviously nobody wanted Free Eagle. I paid €80,000 for him but I couldn't persuade my partners to come in on him so I was left with 80 per cent. They just thought I was completely mad. I then sold him for 150,000gns here as a yearling so I was happy that I was left with 80 per cent on that occasion. I cannot do that every time because I am not a wealthy man. This is the risky part of this. I have to pay for all of these foals and then I go and collect between all of the different partners depending on what shares we sell after the sales. Luckily, some of my partners who have been with me for many years rely on my judgment and have done very well financially out of this. That makes it a little bit easier.

Is there one particular result that you look back on as being the one that catapulted you to becoming one of the leading pinhookers in Europe?
I have to admit that, in my heart, I am a breeder and never thought about pinhooking. It just developed through Andreas Putsch, who is also a German, and he knew how I was working with horses and asked me if I would like to pinhook for him. At the beginning, it was only his money I was spending and I was not even involved in the ownership of the foals. I only bought them and prepped and sold them. That was going quite well so more people were asking to come in. Andreas is no longer involved but the other partners who started on that journey are still involved now and new came in.

And prior to the pinhooking, how did you develop your love for thoroughbreds?
I was a professional showjumper before I started working in racing but I was not good enough to fulfill my dream to become an Olympic champion. I always loved thoroughbred breeding so, back in 1985, I was approached and became an assistant manager at a stud farm. I then managed two stud farms, building them up from scratch, before setting up my own bloodstock agency in 1994. Of the first foals and yearlings I bought, there were two Classic winners and several stakes horses, so I was very lucky at the time.

There were two fillies by Seattle Dancer who were very good. Que Belle (Can) won the German 1,000 Guineas and the German Oaks and was Group 1-placed. She also ran in the Arc. She was a very good filly and we sold her to Wayne Hughes. This is how it started. Marion and I have been developing the farm ever since and we have been developing the breeding side of the operation. Then I met Andreas and, as I said, he set me up. I never would have taken the risk to go at that level without him.

You've mentioned a few times that it's the breeding that is closest to your heart so it must give you huge pleasure to have bred Fantastic Moon (Ger) who is one of the best 2-year-olds in Germany this year.
Yes and it's very emotional for us because this colt is by Sea The Moon (Ger) and I bought the second dam of Sea The Moon as a foundation mare for Gestut Karlshof for €4,000 and she has produced three Classic winners. Marion and I met through the second dam of Frangipani (Ger), who is the dam of Fantastic Moon. From both sides, horse and human, it is very emotional. This family is very close to our heart. If Marion had not looked for a boarding place for that mare, Fraulein Tobin, many years ago, we'd have never met. For this to happen now after a sensational Book 1 sale is incredible.

And what type of horse do you view Fantastic Moon as next year?
Obviously he's one of the best 2-year-olds in Germany but now he has to progress through the winter. I don't think he is a Derby horse because the family lacks stamina but obviously Sea The Moon is a stamina influence. I see him more as a 10-furlong horse. There is talk of the French Derby for him so we will see. It's a nice situation to be in. We can dream a little bit over the winter with that horse as well.

You are best known for being a buyer but you also sell four foals at the December Breeding Stock Sale at Arqana.
The Kingman (GB) was a foal share for a client and she was born and raised on the farm. Juddmonte want to sell most of these at the foal sales which is why she goes there. The other three were homebreds. It sounds odd but our homebreds sold very badly as yearlings this year so, to balance the books, we needed to sell the foals this year.

I understand that you have been contemplating consigning mares as well?
The aim is to diversify. The demand of people who want to invest is getting bigger and I can't increase my foal portfolio. The
idea is to buy young mares, breed from these mares and then sell the offspring. This is the aim as we’d like to develop a new branch in the portfolio. But I am not sure if now is the right time to invest in these younger mares because the market is so hot. If you want to turn the mare around quickly, you could buy a race filly and cover her and sell her on, but in my heart I am a breeder and would like to take on something that is more of a long-term process.

You clearly care deeply about breeding and your philosophy is an interesting one.
It sounds odd but money really does not interest me. Okay, I need to survive but that’s all. I only need money to live. I can’t take it with me anyway. I need to give my kids a chance as well but they are going to have to make it on their own. I said to all of my kids, ‘you won’t inherit anything because I need all of the money for the way we live our life’, so the only thing they get is a good education and then they have to build it up on their own.

Who has been your biggest influence on your journey in bloodstock?
I really adore a few of my colleagues. They do a fantastic job in the way that they prep their horses. Take Paul McCartan, he’s a genius. He is somebody I have always adored. He’s a very good stock person. If you look at some of the younger ones coming through, the Gleeson brothers from Aughamore do an incredible job as well. I was stabled beside them during Book 2 and we had a long chat about how they do everything. They are good guys.

Appleby Champion UK Flat Sire cont.
“Winning the QIPCO 2000 Guineas was the highlight. It’s something that personally I hadn’t done before and had finished close on a few occasions. It’s one of those races that I was very keen to get on the board. That was a very proud day.”

Appleby-trained runners collected three victories at Royal Ascot in the shape of Coroebus (G1 St James’s Palace S.), Naval Crown (Dubawi {Ire}) (G1 Platinum Jubilee S.) and Noble Truth (Kingman {GB}) (G3 Jersey S.). He also took the leading trainer title at the Qatar Goodwood Festival and tightened the girth on three winners in this year’s Breeders’ Cup World Championships at Keeneland-Silver Knott (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) (G1 Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf), Mischief Magic (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) (G1 Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint) and Rebel’s Romance (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) (G1 Longines Breeders’ Cup Turf).

“On behalf of all of us at Godolphin, I want to offer huge congratulations to Charlie Appleby on winning the trainers’ championship for the second year in a row,” Hugh Anderson, managing director of Godolphin (UK & Dubai), said. “It’s a great achievement and testament to his own skill as a trainer – the high points of this season are almost too many to mention but I would point to the three 2000 Guineas with 3 different colts and the Breeders’ Cup hat-trick as being particular standouts.”

Appleby received his award on Monday night at the Royal Lancaster hotel in London.

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“She’s a lovely mare,” said Katie Rudd, who signed the ticket on behalf of Busherstown. “She’ll come back to Ireland. It’s the first time I’ve bought at the Vente d’Elevage—the market is strong.” Cont. p9
Trainnah (GB), a daughter of the influential Pivotal (GB), fetched €55,000 from Jamie Piggott Bloodstock to rank as the session’s second-dearest offering. Consigned by Haras de Castillon, the 9-year-old mare is a half-sister to the dual group-winning James Garfield (Ire) (Exceed and Excel (Aus)) and to the dam of SW & MGSP Nate The Great (GB) (Nathaniel (Ire)). Trainnah’s dam Whazzat (GB) (Daylami (Ire)) is a half-sister to the dam of US champion turf female Uni (GB) (More Than Ready). Trainnah was sold in foal to Ectot (GB).

Nearly four out of every five horses (217) offered during Monday’s session were reported as sold for gross turnover of €2,540,000. The average of €11,704 improved by 12.77% over last year, while the median price of €8,500 represented a gain of 21.4%.

Entering Tuesday’s final session, 613 horses have changed hands for €56,099,500. The average of €91,516 and median of €26,000 are well ahead of last year’s numbers.

### SESSION TOPPERS

**ARQANA DECEMBER BREEDING STOCK**

**MONDAY’S TOP BROODMARES/RACING PROSPECTS**

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(3, Teofilo (Ire)--Vazira (Fr), by Sea The Stars (Ire))

Consigned by Aga Khan Studs

Purchased by Busherstown

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**728** Trainnah (GB)  
(9, Pivotal (GB)--Whazzat (GB), by Daylami (Ire))

Consigned by Haras de Castillon

Purchased by Jamie Piggott Bloodstock

**601** Unnamed Weanling  
(B-NBH Racing (Fr))

(f, 2, The Grey Gatsby (Ire)--Miracle Seeker (GB), by Rainbow Quest)

Consigned by Haras du Pley (Dispersal)

Purchased by BAG Bloodstock

**787** Western Oasis (Ire)  
(B-Haras de la Perelle)

(f, 2, Frankel (GB)--Cladocera (Ger), by Oasis Dream (GB))

Consigned by Fairway Consignment

Purchased by Guy Petit

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**ARQANA VENTE D’ELEVAGE -- MONDAY**

**SESSION TOTALS**

- Number Offered: 273 (2022) vs. 277 (2021)
- Number Sold: 217 (2022) vs. 204 (2021)
- Not Sold: 56 (2022) vs. 73 (2021)
- Clearance Rate: 79.49% (2022) vs. 73.65% (2021)
- High Price: €120,000 (2022) vs. €2,117,500 (2021)
- Average (% change): €11,705 (+12.77%) vs. €10,380 (2011)
- Median (% change): €8,500 (+21.43%) vs. €7,000 (2021)

**CUMULATIVE TOTALS**

- Number Offered: 774 (2022) vs. 909 (2021)
- Number Sold: 613 (2022) vs. 688 (2021)
- Not Sold: 161 (2022) vs. 221 (2021)
- Clearance Rate: 79.20% (2022) vs. 75.69% (2021)
- High Price: €120,000 (2022) vs. €3,000,000 (2021)
- Gross: €2,540,000 (2022) vs. €41,541,000 (2021)
- Average (% change): €91,516 vs. €60,379 (2021)
- Median (% change): €26,000 vs. €15,000 (2021)

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MCMANUS, MANNING HONOURED WITH HRI AWARDS

Leading owner J.P. McManus and the recently retired jockey Kevin Manning were among those honoured Monday at the annual Horse Racing Ireland Awards.

McManus, who is a 19-time champion National Hunt owner in Ireland, received the Contribution to the Industry Award. He has been associated with many of the top jumps horses for over 40 years with more 4,000 winners, including Mister Donavan (Choral Society {GB}), Jack Of Trumps (Kings Theatre {Ire}) and Deep Gale (Deep Run {GB}). He is a six-time Champion Hurdle-winning owner, two-time Grand National winner with Don’t Push It (Old Vic {GB}) and Minella Times (Oscar {Ire}), and the Cheltenham Gold Cup went his way with Synchronised (Sadler’s Wells).

Manning, who concluded his 40 years in the saddle this fall, was bestowed the Irish Racing Hero Award. He was champion apprentice in 1984 and 1987 and he won 36 Group 1 winners over his remarkable career, including the Epsom Derby aboard New Approach (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in 2008, the Irish Derby on Trading Leather (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) Hong Kong Cup on Alexander Goldrun (Ire) (Gold Away {Ire}) in 2004.

The Kenny Alexander-owned Honeysuckle (GB) (Sulamani {Ire}) was crowned Horse of the Year for the second consecutive year after extending her winning streak to 16 races. She remained unbeaten for a fourth season and added Hatton’s Grace Hurdle for a third time, the Irish Champion Hurdle and the Champion Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival for a second time, and the Champion Hurdle at Punchestown.

Jockey Sam Ewing received the Emerging Talent Award, the National Hunt Award went to Henry de Bromhead, the National Hunt Achievement Award was won by John ‘Shark’ Hanlon, Liz Lalor earned the Point-To-Point honor, the Flat Award went to Billy Lee, the Flat Achievement Award was given to Dylan Browne McMonagle and Wayne Lordan was honored with the Ride of the Year for his effort aboard Waterville in the Friends of The Curragh Irish Cesarewitch.

Lord Paramount (GB), g, 3, Ribchester (Ire)--Affluent (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). Wolverhampton, 12-5, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:27.97. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, $9,470. B-D J & Mrs Deer (GB). *1/2 to Daahyeh (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}), MGSW-Eng, G1SP-Ire & GISP-US, $416,989; and Saint Lawrence (Ire) (Al Kazeem {GB}), SW & MGSP-Eng.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:
5th-Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, €14,000, Cond, 12-5, 4yo/up, 10f (AWT), 2:06.26, st.
MOON FLOWER (FR) (f, 4, Morandi {Fr}--Nadya {Ger}, by Lecroix {Ger}) Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-0, €14,000. O/B-Luc Mirto (FR); T-Stephane Labate.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Princess Zizou (Fr), f, 3, Prince Gibraltar (Fr)--Ziride (Fr) (SP-Fr, $135,271), by Valanour (Ire). Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, 12-5, 10f (AWT), 2:14.95. B-Ecurie Gribomont (FR). *5,000 RNA Ylg 20 ARQOCT.

IN JAPAN:
Four Star Days (Jpn), f, 2, Kingman (GB)--Fourstar Crook (GISW-US, $1,624,566), by Freud. Nakayama, 12-3, Newcomers, 1200mT, 1:09.8. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $52,111. O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm; T-Tetsuya Kimura. *1ST-TIME STARTER.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Once Adaay (GB), c, 2, Adaay (Ire)--Sonko (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire). Wolverhampton, 12-5, 6f 20y (AWT), 1:14.38. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $4,506. B-J A Khan (GB). *15,000gns RNA Ylg ‘21 TATSOM.
2022 Leading Third-Crop Sires by Black-Type Winners
for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, December 4.

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