

## ORAL ARGUMENTS IN SIXTH CIRCUIT HISA CASE HEARD WEDNESDAY



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By Dan Ross

CINCINNATI, OHIO -- The latest challenge to the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) was the first case before the three judges selected to weigh in on the law's constitutionality Wednesday in the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, in Cincinnati.

The plaintiffs comprise the state of Louisiana; Oklahoma and its racing commission, plus West Virginia and its racing commission. Three Oklahoma tracks-Remington Park, Will Rogers Downs, and Fair Meadows-are also plaintiffs, as are the Oklahoma Quarter Horse Association, the U.S. Trotting Association, and Hanover Shoe Farms, a Pennsylvania Standardbred breeding entity.

On the other side of the aisle are the United States of America, the HISA Authority, and six individuals acting in their official capacities for the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

Whether the brisk winter gloom that cloaked the austere courthouse in Downtown Cincinnati Wednesday morning was a good omen for the federal law, or a portent of further legal trouble ahead, is undecided for now, the three-judge panel offering no obvious tip of the hat as to which way it will rule as a body, though with some important clues as to their individual preferences. **Cont. p 3**

## DEC 6: BOLT D'ORO HAS THE LEAD

by J.N. Campbell

A three-horse match race for the 2022 first-crop sire crown is on! The *TDN* will continue to publish our earnings list on a nightly basis with data streaming in for Northern Hemisphere-born foals from stallions standing in North America.

Note that Japanese earnings are added every Sunday night, and there may be delayed reporting from other countries, which could postpone the final results in a very tight race into early January. We will also be providing a preview of 2-year-olds entered the next day in North America and beyond. Let the final jockeying for position, begin!

### Current Earnings Standings through racing of Dec. 6:

1st--Bolt d'Oro, \$2,468,708

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### **Sixth Circuit HISA Case cont. from p1**

The **two conservative judges** on the panel--Jeffrey Sutton and Richard Griffin--were the most vocal in grilling lawyers from both sides, who each were originally given 15 minutes to argue their cases, with the clock running well over time.

Judge Ransey Guy Cole, the most liberal judge on the panel, remained the quietest, largely staying away from hard constitutional questions.

Sutton--an expert on state constitutionality--was the most vociferous of the three judges, repeatedly drilling down on both sides into whether the FTC has sufficient rule making power over the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority, the private entity charged with developing rules related to medication control and racetrack safety, and otherwise just known as the Authority.

The key issues surrounded the FTC's interim rule making power, and whether that was enough of an independent mechanism to keep it from being subordinate to the Authority--key problem, in the eyes of the conservative judges.

In other words, the Authority appears to wield a lot of "discretion" in the rule-making process "not reviewable" by the FTC, said Sutton. "And that's a worry," he added.

Towards the end of the oral arguments in the Sixth Circuit--which has legal jurisdiction over the states of Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Tennessee--Griffin's mind appeared firmly set against the constitutionality of the law, as written.

"The Authority has so much broad power that is not subject to review by the FTC" other than in its ability to review a proposed rule's consistency with the statutes, said Griffin.

Sutton, however, appeared somewhat swayed by the earlier arguments of attorney Pratik Shah, representing the FTC.

In **pre-hearing court filings**, lawyers representing the plaintiffs cite the recent ruling in the **Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals**, which reversed an earlier Northern District of Texas's decision that had found HISA constitutional.

The plaintiffs point out that the Fifth Circuit found HISA fundamentally different from another important relationship between a governmental agency and a private entity--that between the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA)--because the SEC has the power to "abrogate, add to, and delete from FINRA rules as the SEC deems necessary or appropriate."

In contrast, "HISA unambiguously and 'explicitly limits agency review to 'consistency,'" wrote the plaintiffs, adding that, "In sum, that court explained that 'the **Constitution** vests federal power only in the three branches of the federal government,' but HISA 'defies this basic safeguard by vesting government power in a private entity not accountable to the people,'" wrote the plaintiffs. **Cont. p4**



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In being limited to reviewing the consistency of the Authority's proposed rules, the FTC was very similar to "a lot of law" in the relationship between the SEC and FINRA, Shah said.

Furthermore, Shah argued that the FTC's ability to write and promulgate interim final rules, many of which would go into permanent effect, is indeed enough of an independent mechanism--in the vein of the SEC--to counter concerns that the FTC has no ability to modify rules proposed by the Authority.

Attorney Matthew McGill, representing the plaintiffs, challenged that notion, arguing that the Authority has broad discretion to write its own rules, "and the FTC is utterly powerless to modify that."

Griffin appeared sympathetic towards that argument, noting unfavorably that the FTC still remains "much more limited" in its scope to write interim final rules than the Authority's rule-making discretion.

In wrapping up his arguments, Shah referenced the defendants' own court documents--in the process, sign-posting a possible endpoint for the case.

In court documents, the defendants claim that the Fifth Circuit's ruling from last month "contradicts (without addressing) the FTC's interpretation of its independent rulemaking authority under section 3053(e), FTC Br. 32-35, and turns constitutional avoidance on its head.

"The panel's holding also overlooks that the Coal Commission in *Sunshine Anthracite Coal Company v. Adkins* could modify proposed minimum prices only 'to conform to the requirements' of the statute, not at its freewheeling discretion, Authority Br. 37-38--yet that scheme was 'unquestionably valid,'" the defendants write.

"For both reasons, the Fifth Circuit panel's decision is wrong--and stands at odds with not only the two other federal courts that have upheld HISA, but also 80 years of precedent from the Supreme Court (*Adkins*) and the courts of appeals (uniformly upholding the SEC-FINRA model). Accordingly, this Court should reject the Fifth Circuit's wayward decision," the defendants wrote.

On Wednesday, Shah called the *Adkins* case "the most factually analogous" to the one before the Sixth Circuit, saying that it's "up to the Supreme Court to overturn *Adkins*."

Mention of the Supreme Court raises the possibility that the highest court in the land potentially hears this case, or the one before the Fifth Circuit. For that to happen, a number of dominoes must first fall, however. **Cont. p5**



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**Constitutional law experts** say that the Supreme Court would be more inclined to hear a HISA-related case in the event of conflicting rulings between the different appeals courts--in other words, if the Sixth Circuit finds that HISA is indeed constitutional as written.

In the interim, HISA's proponents are apparently seeking a congressional re-write of the rules, to cede the FTC greater input on the rule making process.

Last week, **it was reported** that Kentucky Senator Mitch McConnell--who was so instrumental in pushing HISA through in 2020--is seeking that fix to be included in the full-year omnibus spending bill, which could pass later this month.

Whether or not that happens, **HISA's anti-doping and medication control program** is scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 1 in the vast majority of states that conduct pari-mutuel wagering.

If a congressional fix isn't sought soon, however, and if the defendants fail to get a stay in the Fifth Circuit decision, HISA will no longer be legally binding in the states of Louisiana, Texas and Mississippi come Jan. 10 next year.

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The Board of the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) has unanimously requested the Federal Trade Commission to delay final action on HISA's proposed Anti-Doping and Medication Control rules until the constitutional questions being litigated are resolved, they announced in a press release Wednesday.

"We cannot have a situation where an enforcement action is overturned because the authority of the enforcing entity to act is in question," said Ed Martin, ARCI President. "The only way to avoid that is to delay approval of HISA rules leaving existing state rules and enforcement in place for the time being. The choice for the FTC is clear, state rules are better than no rules during this time of legal uncertainty. To approve them now with this legal uncertainty is an invitation to cheaters that you might get a free ride during the first 10 days in January, if not longer."

The ARCI release also states: "Should the FTC approve the HISA rules and penalties were imposed for a violation of those rules the action could be appealed and potentially overturned and wiped away due to the finding in the Fifth Circuit that HISA is unconstitutional.

Likewise if a racing commission enforces the existing State

anti-doping rule and penalties imposed for a violation are appealed using the argument that the federal rule preempts state action the possibility that it can be overturned also exists.

The only way to avoid this Catch-22 is to leave state rules and enforcement in place by delaying final action on the HISA ADMC rules."

The ARCI has not taken a position on the pending litigation, although some member states have and are litigating the constitutionality of the Act.

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## FIRST-CROP SIRE RACE



**Cont. from p1**

**Notable Runners for Wednesday Night, Dec. 7:**

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## SIXTY INCIDENTS OF POOL MANIPULATION. THE INDUSTRY SHRUGS

by T.D. Thornton

A month ago, the Thoroughbred Idea Foundation (TIF), a think tank that uses independent research to try and drive changes in the sport, brought to light an example of what it said was brazen quinella pari-mutuel pool manipulation at Gulfstream Park. The scheme was apparently designed to jack up the odds the manipulator would receive on winning bets placed with non-pari-mutuel offshore bookies that paid on-track prices.

On Wednesday, Pat Cummings, the TIF's executive director, told an audience at the Global Symposium on Racing hosted by the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program in Tucson that this incident was one of more than 60 purported pool manipulations he has documented at North American racetracks since the spring.

"The reason we wrote about that particular incident was because it was easily the biggest of more than five dozen incidents that we've tracked in the last six or seven months affecting, really, a significant number of racetracks, most of whom don't seem to know any of this is going on," Cummings said. **Cont. p8**

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And in the cases where regulators and racetrack operators do acknowledge that pool manipulation exists, Cummings said, they often believe the practice is victimless, without harm to the sport, or beyond their power to change.

All of those ideas are incorrect, Cummings said in a panel discussion titled "Illegal Betting's Threat to the Racing Industry."

"I've approached regulators across America with this," Cummings said. "And they say, 'Well, it is handle, right?' I mean, the tracks want this money..."

Cummings trailed off midsentence, giving the impression that industry bigwigs often shrug when faced with evidence of pool manipulation (Gulfstream, however, did **discontinue quinella wagering** days after becoming aware of the Nov. 11 pool irregularities).

A recent report titled "The State of Illegal Betting," compiled earlier this year by the Asian Racing Federation, exposed the proliferation of unlicensed and unregulated online horse racing and sports wagering companies. The report found the global demand for online wagering is increasing faster than industry's ability to react. The suspicious betting patterns detected by the TIF in American pools may have a connection to non-pari-mutuel bookmaking.

Wednesday's panel, which also included global perspectives

from Matt Fowler, the London-based director of integrity for the International Betting Integrity Association, and Martin Purbrick, the chairman of the Asian Racing Federation's Council on Anti-Illegal Betting and Related Financial Crime, outlined some major threats and discussed what actions could be taken going forward.

But it was the presentation by Cummings—who isn't even a regulator or investigator, but is more akin to an ombudsman for U.S. wagering—that hit closest to home for most stateside racing stakeholders.

Cummings said the first fundamental step is to recognize that pool manipulation is never going to be eradicated entirely. It's not even explicitly illegal. A good chunk of it, he said, occurs with the aid of the "vast" gray-market global bet-booking business whose handle is "far in excess of the legal market, and it has infiltrated American racing. There is absolutely no question."

Cummings gave an overview of how a manipulator might work, using show pools as an example. (If you want to read a more in-depth TIF writeup on the process, [click here](#).)

A manipulator might bet \$2,000 to show on a horse or horses who look certain to finish in the money at a track where the fields are uncompetitive and/or short and the show pools are miniscule. **Cont. p9**

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But instead of betting that money in the pools, he instead spreads it across a number of different offshore bookmakers in smaller increments. These are bets he intends to win, and it's important to note that the offshore outlets don't often "lay off" this money into the mutuel pools.

In the same race, the manipulator then bets, say, \$4,500 into the show pool on one of the longest shots on the board, and this

money does go through the mutuels, making a horse who is unlikely to hit the board based on past performances the overwhelming favorite in that pool. This bet he intends to lose--it's a business cost whose sole function is to abnormally drive up the show prices on the more likely horse(s) to hit the board that he backed with the offshore bookies who pay the on-track prices.

If the race unfolds as the manipulator envisioned it will, the hapless heavy show favorite runs out of the money, while the more talented horse(s) he backed via bookmakers cruises home in the top three, triggering something like a \$21.00 show payoff.

"So they sacrificed \$4,500 to win maybe \$21,000," Cummings said. "The manipulator is spreading his or her risk, likely across multiple accounts, because the offshore operator may not pay them. That's just part of the risk."

Cummings continued: "I don't see a lot of [bettors] talking about this or noticing it. And the reason is, if you bet an even-money shot to show thinking you were going to get \$2.20, and [instead] got \$21.20, who's complaining?"

That's an obvious example that should stand out, Cummings said. But this pattern occurs with more subtlety using smaller dollar amounts, he explained, like when a manipulator might be content not to make a single big score, but instead routinely inflate 1-to-5 shots in the show pool so they pay off like a 4-5 shot would. **Cont. p10**

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### **Pool Manipulation cont.**

And occasionally, the horse who was supposed to be a dud wins or hits the board, Cummings said. That's when bettors do speak up and complain about the pools not being on the level, because the big long shot they legitimately bet in the mutuels returns a vastly underlaid show payout.

That can lead to image and integrity problems, Cummings said.

"You do not want a bad name associated with your product. And every time someone manipulates your pool, if it's noticed, it's bad for your product," Cummings said.

Beyond creating bad perceptions, Cummings said, rampant pool rigging could also encourage manipulators to get a bit bolder with their actions, perhaps by spending a bit extra to bribe participants to ensure desired outcomes in races.

"If someone's willing to bet \$4,500 to show in a race where the winning jockey is earning \$900, what's an extra \$500 to make sure they don't run in the money?" Cummings said. "Or an extra \$500 to the trainer to tell the jockey to maybe be a little slow out of the gate today."

Cummings stressed that to his knowledge, there is no current evidence that pool manipulators are reaching out to arrange fixed races.

"That's a good thing--for now. But it's out there. And it happens," Cummings said.

He continued, "And there is no reason that others might not try to copy this."

Cummings explained that he's a proponent of the "best defense is a good offense" strategy to try to keep pool manipulation at bay.

The industry can do this, he said, by recognizing that our pari-mutuel system is ripe for being controlled in the manner he described, and by increasing stewards' awareness and oversight so there is a better focus on pool-watching.

A **fixed-odds system** might be a better long-term solution. But that style of betting is not completely immune from manipulation, either, Cummings said.

Reinventing our wagering menus could be an option, Cummings said, with an eye on pruning off the low-volume pools.

"Should a track that has offered win, place and show betting for the last 60 years continue to do so when the place and the show pools only average \$1,200?" he postulated.

In that case, maybe the solution is to get rid of the place and/or show pools.

The proliferation of rolling horizontal wagers on practically every race card on the continent is also a hazard waiting to happen, Cummings said, because those bets, too, draw very little mutuels action and have low base-bet increments.

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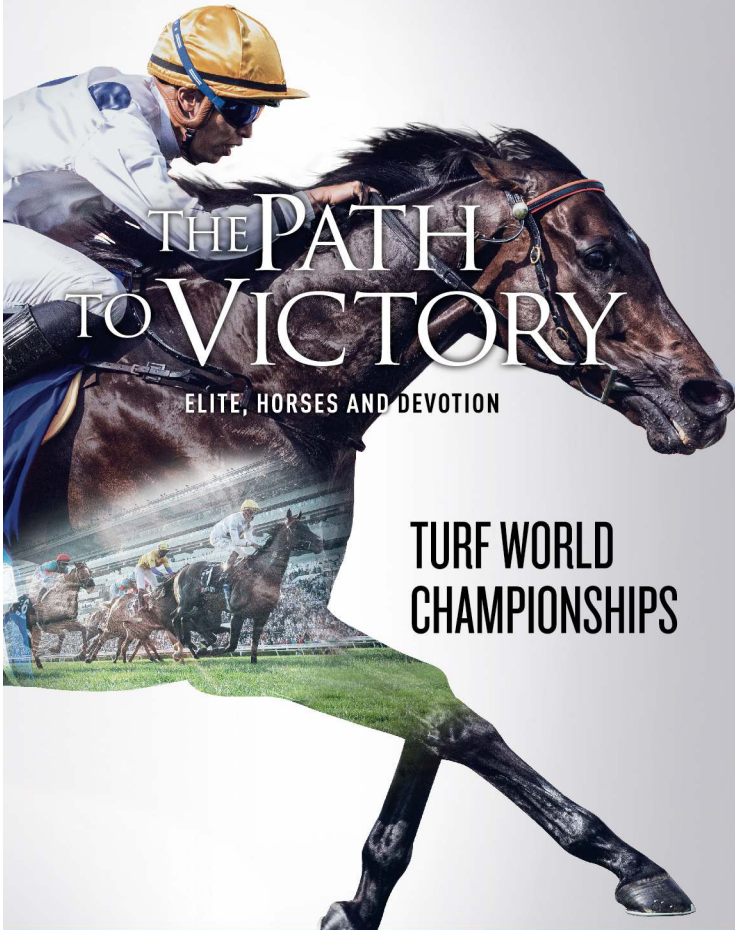
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### Pool Manipulation cont.

"We have to rethink the way we're doing this, because every small pool is a way to manipulate the outcome, to corrupt a participant, to help exact these sorts of outcomes," Cummings said.

Cummings said he has spoken with various groups of officials and regulators over the past year about the problem of pool manipulation.

Their reactions?

"Interested, but [there was] very little they thought they could do about this," Cummings said.

"This falls back on track operators. It falls back on horsemen's groups," Cummings said, pointing out that the idea of looking the other way when pool manipulation occurs is not justifiable simply because it increases handle and thus fuels purses.

"If you don't recognize it, [or] if you bury your head and say, 'I don't want to hear about it--not interested,' it's going to keep happening," Cummings said.

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## DERBY PREPS HIGHLIGHT AQUEDUCT WINTER STAKES SCHEDULE

A trio of GI Kentucky Derby preps highlight the Aqueduct 2023 winter meet stakes schedule, which was released by NYRA Wednesday. The 44-day winter meet, which begins Jan. 1 and runs through Mar. 26, will offer a total of 25 stakes races worth \$3.2 million. Live racing will be conducted Thursday to Sunday until Feb. 12 and will move to a Friday to Sunday schedule from Feb. 17 through the end of the meet.



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Stakes action kicks off on opening day with the first Derby prep, the \$150,000 Jerome S., which offers 10 qualifying points to the winner.

The next Derby qualifier will be the 20-point, \$250,000 GIII Withers S. Feb. 4 and the third is the \$300,000 GIII Gotham S., worth 50 points, to be held Mar. 4.

The winter meet also includes two prep races for the GI Kentucky Oaks, starting with the \$100,000 Busanda S., a 20-point qualifying race. The other is the \$200,000 Busher S. Mar. 4, worth 50 qualifying points.

The first graded race will be the \$150,000 GIII Toboggan S. Jan. 28 and the final graded event takes place on Gotham day, the GIII Tom Fool H. **Cont. p12**

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# MIDSHIPMAN

G1 horses include 2022 big winners Royal Ship and Special Reserve, plus Golden Pal's dam Lady Shipman.

**Darley**

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**Aqueduct Winter Meet cont.**

Aqueduct will host a special President's Day card Monday, Feb. 20, which will be highlighted by the \$100,000 Haynesfield S. for older New York-bred males.

The final weekend of the winter meet will feature the \$100,000 East View S. for New York-bred sophomore fillies Mar. 24, followed by New York Claiming Championship Day Saturday, Mar. 25 with six starter events offering a combined \$380,000 in purse money.

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and a pair of berths to the 2023 National Thoroughbred Racing Association Handicapping Championship in Las Vegas. Cost to enter is \$500. Of that amount, \$100 will be placed in the contest prize pool with the remaining \$400 going towards a live money wagering card.

Tournament races will include the entire card at Los Alamitos. Permitted wagers include win, place, show, exactas, trifectas and daily doubles. Each entry must wager at least \$50 on a minimum of five races that day, but there is no wagering limit. The player with the highest bankroll at the end of the day will be declared the winner and the second highest bankroll will be the runner-up. The winner will receive 50% of the prize pool. The remaining payoffs: 20% (2nd place), 15% (3rd place), 7.5% (4th place) and 7.5% (Most Money Wagered).

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2022 juveniles led by G3 Pocahontas winner Fun and Feisty and unbeaten four-time Stakes winner Back to Ohio.

**Darley**

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**SIX-DAY LOS AL MEET STARTS FRIDAY**

The six-day winter Thoroughbred meet at Los Alamitos will begin Friday, Dec. 9. Racing will be conducted Friday-Sunday both weeks with a 12:30 p.m. post time. The meet will be highlighted by the GI Starlet S. Dec. 10, offering 10 points towards the GI Kentucky Oaks, and GII Los Alamitos Futurity S. Dec. 17, with 10 points towards the GI Kentucky Derby.

Completing the stakes program are a pair of one-mile races for 2-year-olds bred or sired in California, the \$100,000 Soviet Problem S. for fillies Dec. 11 and the \$100,000 King Glorious S. Dec. 18.

There will also be a handicapping contest Saturday, Dec. 17 and the Los Alamitos Racing Association will offer a cash prize

**THE QUEEN'S PLATE RENAMED THE KING'S PLATE**

The historic Queen's Plate, North America's longest continuously run stakes race, will be renamed The King's Plate. Woodbine will run the next edition of the Canadian Classic Sunday, Aug. 20. Entry conditions for the 2023 King's Plate are unchanged with the race remaining open to all 3-year-old Thoroughbreds foaled in Canada.

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# TDN\* RISING SIRE

\$20,000 S&N

## MIDSHIPMAN

Latest yearlings, all bred off an \$8.5k fee: \$260k, \$230k, two at \$150k. Back to Ohio was a \$385k two-year-old.

**Darley**

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### *The King's Plate cont.*

"The Plate is one of the most celebrated events in horse racing, and we're proud to celebrate its history while starting a new chapter under the banner of The King's Plate," said Jim Lawson, Woodbine Entertainment's CEO. "Those who attend can expect more than elite-level horse racing. They can soak in the elements of food, fashion, and culture that have become associated with this prestigious annual event while enjoying moments designed for a new generation of race fans. We're excited to share more details about The King's Plate in the months to come."

First run in 1860 with a purse of 50 guineas from Queen Victoria to Canadian-bred horses, the prize from the British monarchy still continues this day. The Queen's Plate was renamed in 1901 to The King's Plate during the reign of four consecutive kings, then returned to The Queen's Plate moniker in 1952 when Queen Elizabeth II ascended the throne. In September, King Charles III was named British monarch.

The King's Plate is Canada's oldest and most prestigious Thoroughbred race and the 2023 running, worth \$1 million and the first leg of the Canadian Triple Crown, will mark the 164th edition.

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### 2023 GEORGE WOOLF AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Jockeys Daniel Cedeno, Javier Castellano, Terry Houghton, Edwin Maldonado, and Willie Martinez have been named by Santa Anita Park as finalists for the 2023 George Woolf

Memorial Jockey Award. Determined by a vote of their fellow riders nationwide, the Woolf Award can only be won once in a lifetime. It has been presented annually by Santa Anita since 1950. All of the finalists, except Castellano, are appearing on the ballot for the first time.



Joe Bravo won the 73rd George Woolf Award | Benoit

The Woolf Award was named in honor of the late George Woolf, known as "The Iceman," who passed away due to a racing accident at Santa Anita in 1946. The first recipient of the award was Gordon Glisson in 1950, while Joe Bravo was the 73rd recipient this past year. The Woolf Award trophy is a replica of the life-sized statue which adorns Santa Anita's Paddock Gardens area.

The 2023 Woolf Award winner will be announced in February.

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## NORTHVIEW STALLION STATION OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY

Northview Stallion Station's stallion roster will be available for inspection during an open house Dec. 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Chesapeake City, Maryland. The roster includes: Eclipticalspraline, Engage, Galawi (Ire), Golden Lad, Great Notion, Hoppertunity, Irish War Cry, Madefromlucky, True Valour and Uncle Lino.

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## 2023 RACING DATES APPROVED FOR HORSESHOE INDIANAPOLIS

Racing dates for the 21st season of Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing at Horseshoe Indianapolis were approved by the Indiana Horse Racing Commission (IHRC) at their regular meeting Dec. 1 held at Harrah's Hoosier Park. A total of 123 racing days are on the calendar with six all-Quarter Horse racing days included in the overall total.

One of the biggest changes for the 2023 racing season is the addition of several Saturday dates from June 3 through Sept. 2. Five of those dates are allotted for Quarter Horse racing with a first post time of 10:45 a.m. Five dates in that time frame will be Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing with a first post of 5:30 p.m., while two dates, July 8 and Aug. 26, will have an earlier post time of 12 p.m. The July 8 date will be the track's signature event, the GIII Indiana Derby.

The general racing calendar will begin with a Monday through Thursday schedule with Monday racing dropped in the summer to accommodate Saturday racing. In September, the schedule will go back to the original format of Monday through Thursday.

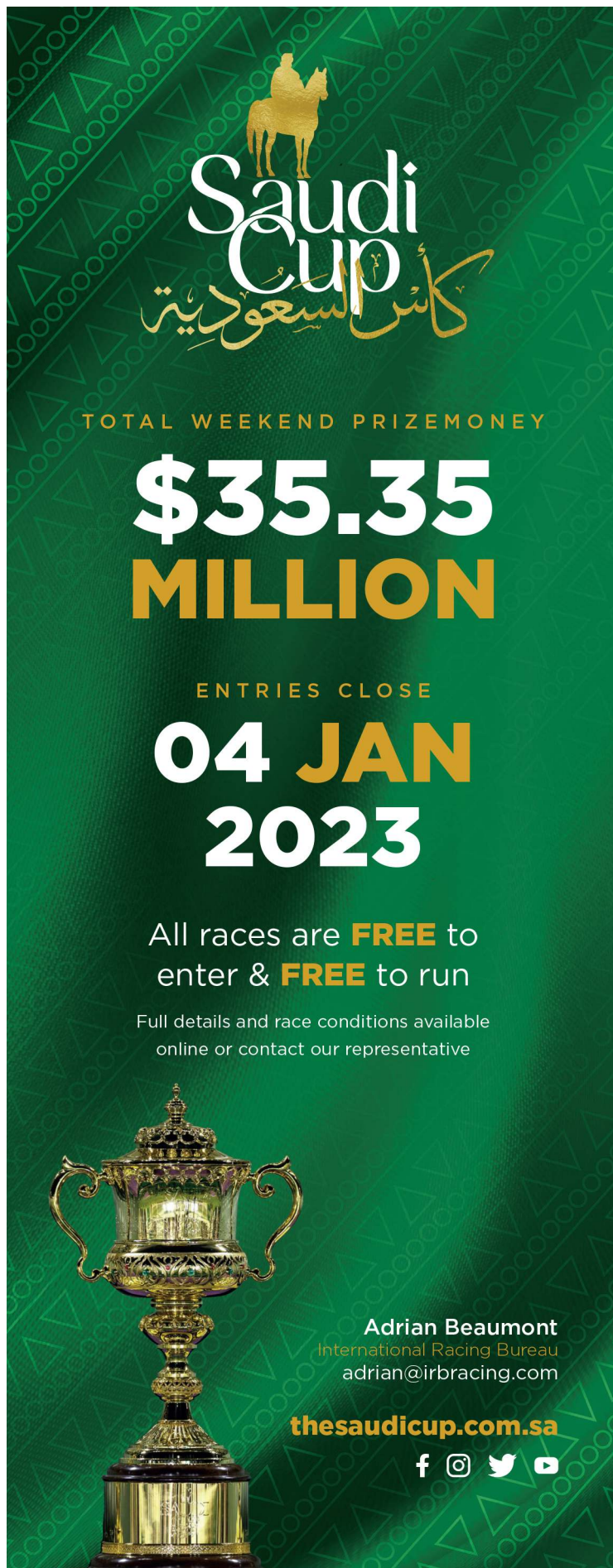
In addition to Indiana Derby, the fourth annual Indiana Champions Day, also featuring stakes races in excess of \$1 million, is slated for Saturday, Oct. 28 with a first post of 12 p.m.

Horseshoe Indianapolis will also conduct live racing on three holidays during the meet. Racing will be held Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day and Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day with a first post of 12 p.m. Racing will also be held Saturday, Sept. 2 for Labor Day, featuring an all-Quarter Horse card beginning at 10:45 a.m.

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## WINTER AUCTION TO BENEFIT BACKSIDE LEARNING CENTER AT CHURCHILL DOWNS

In order to help finance the essential programs of **the Backside Learning Center at Churchill Downs (BLC)**, **The Louisville Thoroughbred Society (LTS)** will sponsor an auction of donated items Friday, Dec. 16 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. ET. **Cont. p15**



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*The Pressbox* will provide phone numbers and the staff, while their website updates bidding every five minutes.

Some of the highlighted items include horse blankets from Triple Crown winners **American Pharoah** and **Justify**, as well as one used by Spendthrift Farm's leading sire, Into Mischief. Also on the block, will be a reserved table for eight at Kentucky Downs, and a three-bottle set of select LTS craft bourbons.

In light of Churchill Downs Inc. recently announcing that it would be keeping the backside and racetrack open through the winter to assist with the stabling of the Kentucky horse population, as their very own Turfway Park runs its meet, the BLC will continue to respond with a range of services for workers. These include: a weekly fresh food market, social services and case management, free mental health therapy, and an adult program for second language learners. Sherry Stanley, the Executive Director of the Churchill Downs Backside Learning Center said, "We have always worked with the community of families over the winter who stay in town."

[Click here](#) for more information on special auction items added to the list.

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## NYRA BETS HOLDING ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH GAME OF SILKS

NYRA Bets Holding, LLC, a subsidiary of NYRA Bets, LLC, the official online wagering platform of the New York Racing Association, Inc., has acquired a minority equity ownership in Game of Silks, the online game connected to the real world of Thoroughbred horse racing, it was announced Wednesday.

In addition to this strategic investment, the partnership establishes Game of Silks as the Official Blockchain Game and Metaverse Partner of NYRA. The agreement will enable the global horse racing industry to capitalize on the rapid growth of Web3 gaming through the Game of Silks, a top 10 sports-themed NFT platform on the Ethereum blockchain which boasts a community of more than 25,000 members.

"Game of Silks presents its players with a fascinating and entertaining challenge by gamifying racehorse ownership in a completely new way," said Dave O'Rourke, NYRA President & CEO.

NYRA will utilize *America's Day at the Races* and *Saratoga Live*, the acclaimed national television shows produced by NYRA and

broadcast on the networks of FOX Sports, to provide owners with the latest news, data and information on the Game of Silks metaverse. As the operator of Saratoga Race Course, Belmont Park and Aqueduct Racetrack, NYRA will accelerate the creation of digital versions of New York's premium racing venues in the Game of Silks metaverse.

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Doinitthehardway 	<b>Street Sense</b>	Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson, & Paul Weitman	Baffert	Vazquez	120
2	Classymademoiselle 	Malibu Moon	Javier C. Perez	Periban	Pereira	120
3	Faiza	<b>Girvin</b>	Michael Lund Petersen	Baffert	Prat	120
4	Fast and Shiny 	Bernardini	Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson, & Paul Weitman	Baffert	Cedillo	120
5	Uncontrollable	<b>Upstart</b>	Repole Stable	McCarthy	Smith	120
6	Pride of the Nile 	Pioneerof the Nile	<b>West Coast</b> Stables, LLC	Mora	Hernandez	120
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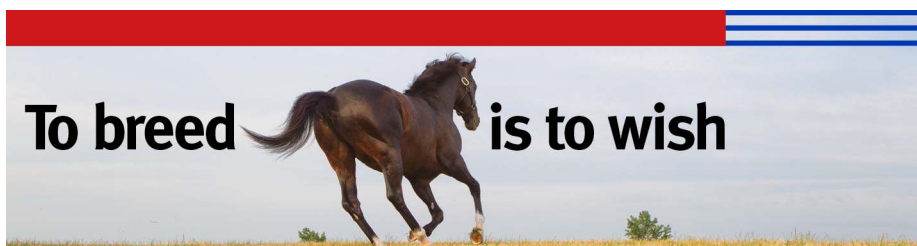
# Cumulative Leading Second-Crop Sires by Winners

for stallions standing in North America through Tuesday, Dec. 6

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	<b>Practical Joke</b> (2014) by Into Mischief FYR: 2019	10	20	3	6	1	3	177	95	603,000	9,357,600
										Wit	
2	<b>Gun Runner</b> (2013) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2019	15	28	10	18	6	10	142	76	2,116,375	18,683,449
										Echo Zulu	
3	<b>Keen Ice</b> (2012) by Curlin FYR: 2019	3	10	1	1	1	1	134	76	2,508,989	7,173,071
										Rich Strike	
4	<b>Classic Empire</b> (2014) by Pioneerof the Nile FYR: 2019	7	12	2	3	--	1	128	72	498,825	5,938,231
										Interstatedaydream	
5	<b>Caravaggio</b> (2014) by Scat Daddy FYR: 2019	8	17	4	9	1	2	156	71	627,052	3,822,628
										Tenebrism	
6	<b>Connect</b> (2013) by Curlin FYR: 2019	5	15	2	4	1	1	137	69	1,014,511	6,687,066
										Rattle N Roll	
7	<b>Cupid</b> (2013) by Tapit FYR: 2019	5	10	2	5	--	1	116	69	621,150	5,575,668
										Desert Dawn	
8	<b>Gormley</b> (2014) by Malibu Moon FYR: 2019	3	9	1	3	--	--	122	66	261,206	4,134,365
										B Dawk	
9	<b>Unified</b> (2013) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2019	3	7	--	1	--	--	115	66	220,330	3,855,103
										Unified Report	
10	<b>American Freedom</b> (2013) by Pulpit FYR: 2019	1	4	--	--	--	--	123	63	408,975	3,577,810
										Freedom Speaks	
11	<b>Mastery</b> (2014) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2019	1	3	1	2	--	--	141	55	286,680	3,353,250
										Midnight Memories	
12	<b>Bal a Bali (Brz)</b> (2010) by Put It Back FYR: 2019	1	1	--	--	--	--	93	53	142,960	2,223,807
										Corner Office	
13	<b>Arrogate</b> (2013) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2019	6	12	3	5	3	3	107	51	1,768,417	8,448,745
										Secret Oath	
14	<b>Lord Nelson</b> (2012) by Pulpit FYR: 2019	3	6	--	1	--	--	96	49	235,850	3,493,461
										Super Chow	
15	<b>Mohaymen</b> (2013) by Tapit FYR: 2019	2	4	1	1	--	--	77	47	253,729	3,090,604
										Mowins	

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**7th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$25,500, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000)**, 12-7, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.48, fm, 4 1/2 lengths.  
**CANDIDATE (c, 2, Exaggerator--Navy Ribbon {MSW, \$157,469}, by Pure Prize)** got rained off the turf in his debut start and faded the last quarter mile after leading early to finish seventh of eight at Laurel Oct. 2. Getting on the grass next time out Oct. 23, he went gate to wire to break his maiden over Wednesday's distance. Making his first start away from Laurel, Candidate went off a narrow second choice at 9-5 and settled into a stalking second a length off pacesetter Tiz a Beast (**The Big Beast**). Still in chase mode up the backstretch through a half in :47.17, he made an inside move around the far turn to strike the front and drew off once clear to win by 4 1/2 lengths over the closing favorite Dataman (**Tapit**). Candidate has a weanling half-sister by Bolt d'Oro and his dam visited **Cairo Prince** for the 2023 season. Sales History: \$20,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$150,000 2yo '22 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$46,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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### FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

2022 Stud Fees Listed

**Accelerate (Lookin At Lucky)**, Lane's End Farm, \$15,000  
124 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner  
2-Charles Town, 7:30 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Cosmic Rewind, 15-1  
\$12,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$11,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$27,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Always Dreaming (Bodemeister)**, WinStar Farm, \$12,500  
127 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner  
2-Charles Town, 7:30 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Sister's Duty, 2-1  
\$19,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$15,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Collected (City Zip)**, Airdrie Stud, \$15,000  
119 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
4-Charles Town, 8:25 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Gabriel's Wing, 3-1  
\$25,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$30,000 EAS MAY 2yo  
8-Remington, 11:23 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Marebell, 8-1

**Frank Conversation (Quality Road)**, Rockridge Stud, \$3,500  
41 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
2-Charles Town, 7:30 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Brick Alley, 12-1  
\$10,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$5,500 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

**Good Samaritan (Harlan's Holiday)**, WinStar Farm, \$7,500  
111 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
4-Charles Town, 8:25 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, She's Mybuddybuddy, 20-1  
\$42,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy)**, Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000  
174 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-Remington, 11:23 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Mendi's Girl, 8-1  
\$65,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$55,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Mobile Bay (Lone Star Special)**, Whispering Oaks Farm  
5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Remington, 11:23 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Destron Bay, 15-1

**Mor Spirit (Eskendereya)**, Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000  
109 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
2-Charles Town, 7:30 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Shake It Girl, 5-2  
\$8,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$19,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

**Ransom the Moon (Malibu Moon)**, Calumet Farm, \$7,500  
73 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
9-Remington, 11:51 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, Purrfect Moon, 8-1  
\$27,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

**Redesdale (Speightstown)**, McMahon of Saratoga  
Thoroughbreds, \$2,500  
42 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners  
2-Charles Town, 7:30 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Dapplesanddiamonds, 12-1  
\$10,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$6,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Sharp Azteca (Freud)**, Three Chimneys Farm, \$5,000  
132 foals of racing age/31 winners/3 black-type winners  
5-Aqueduct, 2:14 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Sharpaz, 10-1  
\$20,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$30,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$90,000 OBS APR 2yo



## SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

### 2022 Stud Fees Listed

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

144 foals of racing age/33 winners/2 black-type winners

7-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Phileas Fogg, 9-2

**Biogenic (Tapit)**, Airdrie Stud

10 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

9-Remington, 11:51 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, Biogenic Babe, 6-1

\$8,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$32,000 OBS OPN 2yo



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**EARLY EDITION (f, 4, Munnings--Very Distinctive {SW, \$160,388}, by Mutakddim)** Lifetime Record: 19-2-3-1, \$111,850. O/B-Gary & Stacy Machiz (NY); T-Stacy Machiz. \*1/2 to Late Breaking News (Jump Start), SP, \$370,398.

**6th-Parx Racing, \$46,690,** 12-7, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.16, sy, 1 1/4 lengths.

**NOBLE GASTON (g, 3, Noble Bird--Sammie, by Montbrook)** Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-2, \$86,700. O-The Hakim's Stable; B-Juve Diaz (FL); T-Mario Dominguez. \*\$22,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

**8th-Mahoning Valley, \$34,900,** 12-7, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.33, my, 1/2 length.

**LIONISTIC (f, 3, Animal Kingdom--Race Lady, by Bernardini)** Lifetime Record: SW, 13-6-4-1, \$188,558. O-Michael Annechino; B-Raimonde Farms LTD (OH); T-Jeffrey Radosevich.

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**6th-Mahoning Valley, \$27,500**, 12-7, (NW4L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:14.48, my, 2 3/4 lengths.

**CEVICHE (f, 4, Brethren--Villa Villa Coola, by Maimonides)**

Lifetime Record: 46-4-7-5, \$110,197. O-Angela Casalinova; B-Arindel (FL); T-Tina Casalinova. \*\$2,500 2yo '20 OBSOPN.

**6th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$26,598**, 12-6, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.52, my, 1 length.

**ENERGIZER (g, 5, Uncle Mo--Spark {MSP, \$119,443}, by**

**Speightstown)** Lifetime Record: 22-7-3-1, \$174,188. O-Anthony Hohla; B-Peter Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Dave Treharne.

**3rd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$22,610**, 12-6, (NW4LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41.52, my, 6 1/4 lengths.

**CONTENT (f, 4, Sky Kingdom--Swift Indian, by Indian Charlie)**

Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-3, \$111,357. O-Brandon Polizzi; B-Charlie & Jessica Rimer & Lisa Nowicki (KY); T-Jay Bernardini. \*\$14,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP.

**4th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$20,564**, 12-6, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.77, my, 7 1/4 lengths.

**QUICK MASTER (c, 3, Hard Spun--Pura Classe {Brz} {G1SW-Brz, \$118,387}, by Grand Slam)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-2, \$57,204.

O/B-Brownwood Farm (KY); T-Paulo Lobo. \*1/2 to Zuzu Bem (Brz) (First American), GSW & MG1SP-Brz.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Agnello's Dream, c, 2, Always Dreaming--Grammajo, by**

**Street Sense.** Mahoning Valley, 12-7, 1m, 1:42.65. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$21,816. B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY). \*\$35,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. \*\*Ninth winner for freshman sire (by Bodemeister).

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**Reveille Song, f, 2, Honor Code--Our Candy Striper, by**

**Candy Ride (Arg).** Gulfstream, 12-7, (C), 5fT, :56.68. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$34,860. B-Live Oak Stud (FL).

**Praetorian Guard, g, 2, Speightster--Super Shopper, by**

**Super Saver.** Parx Racing, 12-7, 6f, 1:13.32. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$44,250. B-Jim Gladwell (KY).

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B-Sun Valley Farm & Friends of Act Nicely (KY).

**Mixer Jensen, g, 3, Mixmaster--Paiges World, by World Order.**

Mahoning Valley, 12-7, (S), 6f, 1:16.03. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$21,500. B-Harold Brown (OH).

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**Always Dreaming**, Agnello's Dream, c, 2, o/o Grammajo, by  
**Street Sense**. MSW, 12-7, Mahoning Valley

**Animal Kingdom**, Lionistic, f, 3, o/o Race Lady, by Bernardini.  
ALW, 12-7, Mahoning Valley

**Exaggerator**, Candidate, c, 2, o/o Navy Ribbon, by Pure Prize.  
AOC, 12-7, Tampa Bay

**Hard Spun**, Quick Master, c, 3, o/o Pura Classe (Brz), by Grand  
Slam. ALW, 12-6, Mountaineer

**Honor Code**, Reveille Song, f, 2, o/o Our Candy Striper, by **Candy  
Ride (Arg)**. MOC, 12-7, Gulfstream

**Munnings**, Early Edition, f, 4, o/o Very Distinctive, by  
Mutakddim. AOC, 12-7, Parx Racing

**Speightster**, Praetorian Guard, g, 2, o/o Super Shopper, by  
Super Saver. MSW, 12-7, Parx Racing

**Tiznow**, Unescorted, f, 2, o/o Act Nicely, by Birdstone. MSW,  
12-7, Mahoning Valley

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## SEALIWAY THE CENTREPIECE AT BRAND NEW BEAUMONT



Emilie Alex, Pauline Chehboub, Gregoire Parchantour, Kamel Chehboub and Mathieu Alex with dual Group 1 winner Sealiway

Emma Berry

By Emma Berry

It is unquestionable that the cessation of the Head family's operation at Haras du Quesnay is a sad development for French breeding but there is at least one phoenix to rise from those ashes in the launch of the Chehboub family's Haras de Beaumont. Set on 100 acres of land formerly owned by Alec and Ghislaine Head on the Quesnay estate, and just across the road from the chateau, the new operation's proximity to Deauville is one major draw, as is the retirement to the French stallion ranks of the dual Group 1 winner **Sealiway (Fr)** (Galiway {GB}), who carried the Chehboub's green-and-yellow silks of their Haras de la Gousserie with distinction in France and England.

Kamel Chehboub and his daughter Pauline, who plays a key role in the family's racing and breeding interests, campaigned Sealiway in partnership with his breeder Guy Pariente having bought him as a yearling at the Arqana August Sale in 2019. His subsequent rise to Group 1 star is very much a feather in the cap of Pariente's Haras de Colleville, as not only is Sealiway from the first crop of resident stallion Galiway, a son of Galileo (Ire), but his dam Kensea (Fr) was also bred there and is by the stallion that made the farm's name, Kendargent (Fr). **Cont. p3**

## EPIC POET AND STALLION SHARE IN PERSIAN KING ADDED TO ARQANA DECEMBER ONLINE SALE

The Group 3-placed **Epic Poet (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) (lot 18) and a share in Classic winner **Persian King (Ire)** (lot 11) are two of the highlights of the Arqana December Online Sale at 3-5 p.m. on Dec. 15. The Jean-Claude Rouget-trained Epic Poet won the Listed Prix Pelleas at Compiègne in July. Third in the G3 Prix du Prince d'Orange on Sept. 4, he was most recently second in a pair of listed races at Marseille Borely.

Persian King, who won the G1 French 2000 Guineas among his three Group 1s, will have his first yearlings in 2023. His first foals made up to €160,000. There is also a half-share available in **Zelzal (Fr)** (lot 12), a share in **Dariyan (Fr)** (lot 13); and a breeding right in Group 1 sire **Territories (Ire)** (lot 14). **Cont. p5**

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### ORAL ARGUMENTS IN SIXTH CIRCUIT HISA CASE HEARD WEDNESDAY

The latest challenge to HISA was the first case before the three judges selected to weigh in on the law's constitutionality on Wednesday in the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, in Cincinnati.

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The Longines International Jockeys' Championship took place at Happy Valley in Hong Kong on Wednesday. The spoils were shared by Silvestre de Sousa and Tom Marquand. Horsephotos

## MUHAARAR GELDING TWO-FOR-TWO AT KEMPTON

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Tyndrum Gold (GB) (Muhaarar {GB}) made it two-for-two after a 2 3/4-length victory over the Kempton all-weather.

## QANTIEM FIRST-OUT WINNER AT PAU

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Pau marked the first start for Qantiem (Fr) (Anodin {Ire}), and the colt was gritty with a short head victory.

## 44TH & 45TH WINNERS FOR SIOUX NATION

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Wednesday marked the 44th and 45th winners for *Sioux Nation*, whose *Elusive Tune* (Ire) and *Sopran Magritta* (Ire) won at Dundalk and Varese, respectively.

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## Sealiway Cont. from p1

Step back one more generation in the pedigree of Sealiway and we find that his second dam Sea Island (Fr), bought inexpensively by Pariente as a yearling, is by the former Quesnay resident Gold Away (Ire). What goes around, comes around.

The success of this horse on the racecourse has in no small way driven the Chehboubs' desire to make a major impact on the French scene by launching their own stallion operation. Sealiway has been joined at Haras de Beaumont by the 12-year-old **Intello (Ger)**, whose stud career thus far has been split between Quesnay and Cheveley Park Stud in Newmarket, and the George Strawbridge-bred **Stunning Spirit (GB)**, a Group 3-winning miler by Invincible Spirit (Ire) in the same colours as Sealiway who started his stud career at Haras de Hoguenet and has his first foals on the ground this year. It is plain, however, that this new venture very much centres on one horse.

"Sealiway, It starts with him," says Pauline Chehboub. "We have a horse like him, a champion, and we wanted to do the best for him. We are very proud to offer Sealiway in France. He won the Champion S. in the UK and he was the best 2-year-old in France."

The Chehboubs are certainly not newcomers to the racing scene. Hailing from Marseille, Kamel and his brother Bouzid raced the 2008 GI Arlington Million winner Spirit One (Fr) (Anabaa Blue {GB}) who spent some years at stud in France. They already own Haras de la Gousserie in the Loire region, and they also enjoyed a major victory on Arc weekend last year when Rougir (Fr) (Territories {Ire}) won the G1 Prix de l'Opera. She was subsequently sold for €3 million to Peter Brant and Michael Tabor and went on to win this season's GI EP Taylor S. for Chad Brown. **Cont. p4**



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1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix de Chantilly **Gr2** in 2022

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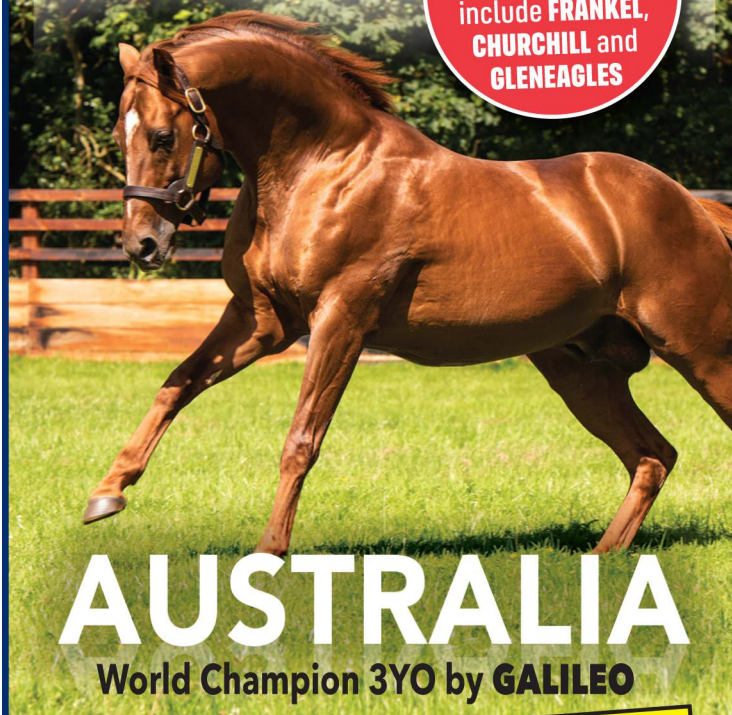
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### Sealiway Cont.

Running a commercial stallion operation is a new direction, however, and the family has played a masterstroke in appointing Mathieu and Emilie Alex to run Haras de Beaumont. Mathieu Alex, who cut his teeth in the business with a lengthy stint at Coolmore, was a key player in the success of Haras de la Cauviniere, later Montfort et Preaux, and its flagship stallion Le Havre (Ire), who died earlier this year.

Pauline Chehboub adds, "We are very happy to establish this new project in France and to do that with family and with a good team like Mathieu and Emilie. That's super exciting."

Alex is all too aware of the commercial imperatives key to launching a new stallion when he says, "It's clear [Sealiway had] quite an extraordinary racing career because he won his first race as a 2-year-old in May over six furlongs. He had the speed to win over six. He won the Champion S. over 10. He was second only to St Mark's Basilica (Fr) in the [G1] French Derby, which is a great stallion-making race. He was a champion 2-year-old in France.

"It's the interesting part about him. Because he raced at two, three and four people forget, but he was extremely good as a 2-year-old and had a lot of precocity, and there is a lot of precocity in his pedigree. And that's one of the targets with him, to try to target that 2-year-old market as well."

Sealiway, who had only arrived at Haras de Beaumont three

days in advance of *TDN's* visit in early December, is certainly playing his part well so far. A relaxed individual who appears to enjoy posing for the camera, he is an easy-moving horse who will surely draw admirers as visitors descend on the new stud through the early months of 2023 and for the Route des Etalons on Jan. 21 and 22.

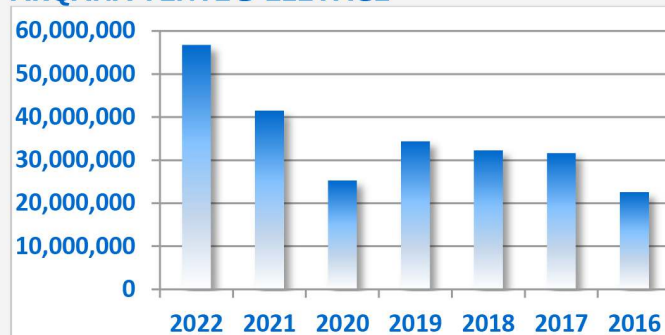
"Sealiway is obviously a very important horse for the this new operation and this farm," Alex continues. "The owners want to support the horse. It's so important not only to send good mares to the horse, but also to raise [the offspring] properly and send them to good trainers. It doesn't always work, but this is the formula we like to follow."

Alex acknowledges that the former inhabitants of the land now known as Haras de Beaumont set a formidable example to follow.

He says, "It's part of the Quesnay, which has been extremely successful. It's going to be very difficult to do as well as the Head family but we'll try hard for sure. And we are very fortunate to have this land. A lot of champions have been bred here. Treve has been raised here. So, you know, it's a dream for us, but we work hard for it. This location as well, when you're standing stallions, we are 10 minutes away from Deauville, so when people are at the sales, they can give us a call, we have a shuttle, they come here, they'll see the horses, and they can be back in town 10 minutes later." [Cont. p5](#)

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2020	840	704	557	16.2%	79.1%	66.3%	€ 25,284,500	€ 45,394
2019	1037	918	701	11.4%	76.4%	67.6%	€ 34,426,500	€ 49,111
2018	1031	901	695	12.6%	77.1%	67.4%	€ 32,282,500	€ 48,721
2017	930	866	696	6.9%	80.4%	74.9%	€ 31,661,500	€ 45,491
2016	923	823	595	10.8%	72.3%	64.4%	€ 22,593,500	€ 37,792





The Champion S. went to Sealiway | [Racingfotos.com](#)

### Sealiway Cont.

Sealiway is of course not alone in the new stallion barn. His fellow Galileo-line sire Intello is rising 13 and has the Group/Grade 1 winners Intellogent (Ire) and Adhamo (Ire) to his credit. Stunning Spirit, meanwhile, hails from the Strawbridge family that produced Group 1 winner Rainbow View (Dynaformer), a sister to his dam.

"Intello has got an extraordinary ratio of stakes horses, 11% stakes performers to runners, which is huge," Alex notes. "And he's a very well-bred, good-looking horse. He was a French Derby winner, and he's a proven sire at a very reasonable fee, so we are very happy to have him, and we are also going to stand Stunning Spirit, who is a group winner by Invincible Spirit and his dam is a full-sister to Group 1 winner."

As outlined by Alex, the Chehboub family plans to support Sealiway with a number of mares from their own broodmare band as well as some recent purchases, including Key Success (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), the dam of black-type earners Axdavali (Fr) (Goken {Fr}) and Axdaliva (Fr) (Elusive City), bought at Arqana last weekend.



Sealiway at the Breeders' Cup | [Racingfotos.com](#)

Pauline Chehboub says, "We bought three mares at Goffs especially for him: one by Dubawi (Ire), one by Acclamation (GB) in foal to **Sea The Stars (Ire)**, and another Group 1-placed [mare], so we'll send maybe 25 or 30 mares to him this year."

Pauline will have her work cut out as she oversees the family's stable in Chantilly, which is the base of trainer Ludovic Ravisce. Their 55 horses in training are also spread between a number of trainers including Jean-Claude Rouget, Francis-Henri Graffard, Yann Barberot and Didier Guillemin.

"I have a lot of trainers to follow and we have maybe 25 2-year-olds, so it is very busy," she says. "But I love the breeding, it is my passion, so I will help Mathieu and Emilie and spend time in Deauville and Chantilly."

She adds of Sealiway's recent retirement from the Graffard yard, "It was a special moment when he left the stable at Chantilly for the last time because there was a lot of sentiment for this horse. He has been different class from the beginning, since my father saw him as a yearling. He's a good mover, he could do short distances and Classic distances so, for me, he had everything."

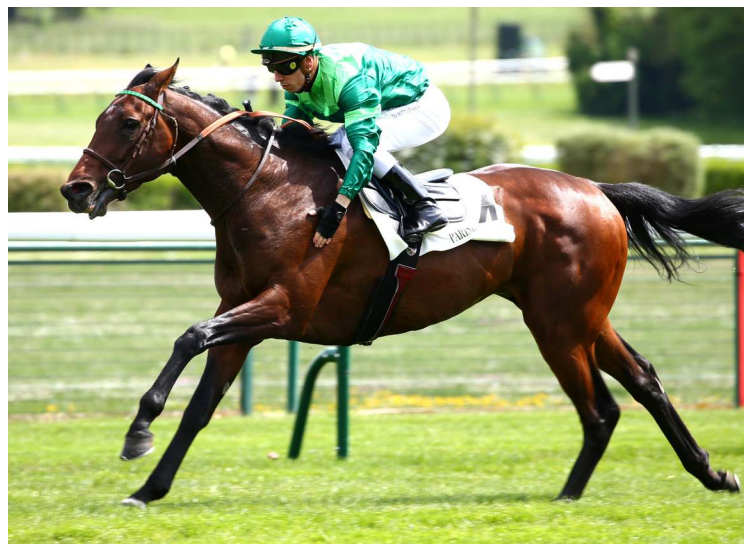
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## EUROPEAN NEWS

### Arqana Online December Cont. from p1

The catalogue also features the listed winner **Gregolimo (Fr)** (Galiway {GB}) (lot 15) from the draft of trainer Simon Brogi, among others.

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## BRITAIN

### Wednesday's Results:

**1st-Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 12-7, 2yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:28.07, st/sl.**

**INTRICATE PILLAR (IRE) (f, 2, Awtaad {Ire}--Delicate {GB}, by Zamindar),** who posted a Nov. 18 first-up eighth over course and distance last time, tracked the leaders in fourth after a slick exit here. Taking closer order once into the straight, the 10-1 chance came under pressure passing the quarter-mile marker and was ridden out to deny Abbey's Dream (GB) (Tasleet {GB}) by a neck in the dying strides. Intricate Pillar, full to a yearling filly and a weanling filly, is the fourth of six foals and first scorer out of a full-sister to G3 Prix d'Aumale victrix and G1 Prix Marcel Boussac third Zantenda (GB) (Zamindar), herself the dam of this term's Listed Criterium de l'Ouest third Speedaara (Fr) (Muhaarar {GB}). Sales history: €38,000 RNA Ylg '21 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,455. O-Fitorfat Racing; B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Tom Ward.

**3rd-Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 12-7, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:39.89, st/sl.**

**TYNDRUM GOLD (GB) (g, 2, Muhaarar {GB}--La Napoule {GB}, by Piccolo {GB})** incurred a seven-pound penalty for annexing his Nov. 2 debut over this strip and stalked the leaders in a handy third after a sharp getaway. Angled off the fence for a clear run in early straight, the 4-6 chalk powered to the fore approaching the eighth pole and quickened clear in style inside the final 100 yards to easily outpoint Garrick Painter (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) by 2 3/4 lengths. Tyndrum Gold, half to a weanling colt by Iffraaj (GB), is the fourth of five foals and one of three scorers produced by a winning full-sister to G1 Nunthorpe S. heroine and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup runner-up La Cucaracha (GB) (Piccolo {GB}). Sales history: 32,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$8,671. O-Opulence Thoroughbreds; B-Copgrove Hall Stud (GB); T-Roger Varian.

**4th-Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 12-7, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.34, st/sl.**

**DIONYSIAN (GB) (c, 2, Exceed And Excel {Aus}--Magic Nymph {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}),** who shed maiden status over course and distance last month, tanked to the front after the initial strides and remained there throughout. Comfortable on the lead for the most part, the 8-11 pick was nudged along when threatened at the two pole and pushed out inside the final furlong to easily defeat Anisette (GB) (Awtaad {Ire}) by two lengths. Dionysian is the seventh of eight foals and one of three scorers produced by an unraced daughter of G1 Coronation S. heroine Balisada (GB) (Kris {GB}). The April-foaled chestnut is a full-brother to GSW G1

Cox Plate and G1 Jebel Hatta placegetter Folkswood (GB) and half to a yearling filly by Harry Angel (Ire). Sales history: 30,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$8,871. O-Opulence Thoroughbreds; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-Stuart Williams.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Al Agaila (Ire), f, 3, Lope De Vega (Ire)--L'Amour De Ma Vie (GSW-UAE, SW-Fr & GSP-Eng, \$322,632), by Dansili (GB).** Kempton, 12-7, 8f (AWT), 1:38.81. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-2, \$9,883. O-KHK Racing; B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford. \*€240,000 Ylg '20 ARDEAY.

**Crystal Delight (GB), c, 3, New Approach (Ire)--Crystal Capella (GB) (MGSW-Eng, \$550,532), by Cape Cross (Ire).** Lingfield, 12-7, 10f (AWT), 2:06.03. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$7,116. B-South Court Stud (GB). \*60,000gns 3yo '22 TATAHI.

## FRANCE

### Wednesday's Results:

**2nd-Pau, €18,000, Mdn, 12-7, unraced 2yo, 10f (AWT), 2:07.10, st.**

**QANTIEM (FR) (c, 2, Anodin {Ire}--She Loves You {GB}, by Lawman {Fr})** was reined back after a sharp break and raced in mid division after the initial exchanges of this newcomers' test. Making headway in the straight when shaken up approaching the furlong marker, the 19-5 second choice seized control with 100 metres remaining and was ridden out to hold the late surge of Grand Prince (Fr) (Toronado {Ire}) by a short head. Qantiem is the third of four foals and second scorer out of a half-sister to MG1SW sire Reliable Man (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}), MGSW G1 Doomben Cup third Imposing (GB) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and Listed Coupe des Trois Ans victor Gale Force (Fr) (Sinndar {Ire}). The February-foaled bay is a half-brother to the multiple stakes-placed Layla (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) and a yearling colt by **Zarak (Fr)**. Sales history: €35,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €9,000. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

O-David Naccache, Filippo Ezri, AGV Karwin Stud & Damien de Watrigant; B-Fair Salinia Ltd (FR); T-Damien de Watrigant.

### CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**6th-Pau, €18,000, Cond, 12-7, 2yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:34.90, st.**

**KENMYA (FR) (f, 2, Cloth Of Stars {Ire}--Wataany {Fr}, by Linda's Lad {GB})** Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, €29,250. O-Horses & Berries SL; B-Teddy Poirier, Bruno-Roland Poirier & Mlle Laetytia Poirier (FR); T-Guillermo Arizkorreta Elosegui. \*€18,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT.



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**JUDDMONTE**

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Kievsky (Fr)**, c, 2, **Al Wukair (Ire)**--Dawaes (Fr), by Marchand De Sable. Pau, 12-7, 8f (AWT), 1:38.70. B-Jean-Claude Ollivier (FR). \*1/2 to Damila (Fr) (Milanais {Fe}), GSW-Fr, \$102,442.

## IRELAND

**Wednesday's Results:**

**2nd-Dundalk**, €22,000, Cond, 12-7, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:26.44, st. **ELUSIVE TUNE (IRE)** (f, 2, **Sioux Nation**--Flavia Tatiana {Ire}, by **Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), a Nov. 16 debut sixth over course and distance last time, was positioned in midfield through the early fractions of this return. Easing forward on the home turn, the 12-1 chance made continued headway under pressure in the straight to challenge out wide approaching the final furlong and kept on strongly in the closing stages to assert by two lengths from Blue News (Air Force Blue), becoming the 44th winner for her freshman sire (by Scat Daddy). **Sopran Magritta (Ire)** became **Sioux Nation**'s 45th soon after when graduating over 9 3/4 furlongs at Varese in Italy. "I was a little bit further back than I would have liked, but we were going along and I got a nice tow into the race," said rider Mikey Sheehy. "She has done it well from a wide draw and, in fairness to her, she quickened up nicely and put the race to bed well. She's not overly big, but she has got the right attitude and has the will to win." Elusive Tune is the seventh of eight foals and fifth scorer produced by Flavia Tatiana (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), herself a dual-winning granddaughter of Listed Prix Soya third Litani River (Fr) (Irish River {Fr}). The May-foaled bay is kin to G3 Brownstown S. third Damselily (Ire) (Power {GB}) and a yearling filly by **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$14,076. O-Mrs A M O'Brien; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Make Us Proud (Ire)**, g, 3, **Champs Elysees (GB)**--Limousine (GB), by Beat Hollow (GB). Dundalk, 12-7, 12f (AWT), 2:32.19. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,537. B-Rathasker Stud (IRE). \*35,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT. \*\*1/2 to Sesame Birah (Ire) (Gregorian {Ire}), SP-Eng.

## ITALY

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Sopran Magritta (Ire)**, f, 2, **Sioux Nation**--Icebreaking (Ire) (GSP-Ity), by Elusive City. Varese, 12-7, Mdn., 1950mT. O-Leonardo Ciampoli. B-Allevamento La Nuova Sbarra (Ire).

T-Grizzetti Galoppo SRL. \*€16,000 Wlg '20 GOFDEC. \*\*1/2 to Foot Of King (Ire) (**Footstepsinthesand {GB}**), GSP-Ity. \*\*\*45th winner for her first-season sire (by Scat Daddy).

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

## DE SOUSA, MARQUAND SHARE LONGINES IJC TITLE

by Alan Carasso

Coronavirus dictated that it wasn't exactly business as usual at Happy Valley Racecourse for the staging of Wednesday's Longines International Jockeys' Championship. But there was a return to at least some semblance of normalcy, as a crowd of about 11,000 fans filed into the stands and into the beer garden to watch Silvestre de Sousa finish level with Tom Marquand to cause a dead heat for just the third time in the history of the event. The duo shared HK\$700,000 (£73,544) in prize-money.

COVID-19 had already resulted original IJC invitees Yuga Kawada and Jye McNeil being sidelined for the meeting, and the virus claimed a third would-be participant Wednesday when France's Mickael Barzalona tested positive. Zac Purton was a warm favourite to bag a third IJC, but at the end of the day, he struck out, and the competition saw a different jockey win each of the four legs, forcing a countback to decide the winner--or, in this case, winners.

Vincent Ho, who will team up with Golden Sixty (Aus) (**Medaglia d'Oro**) for a three-peat attempt in Sunday's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile, struck in the first leg of the sequence driving the 8-1 chance **Handsome Rebel (Aus)** (Denman {Aus}) to a narrow victory over **Faribault (Aus)** (Zoustar {Aus}) ([video](#)) for trainer Jamie Richards. [Cont. p8](#)



Silvestre de Sousa (left) and Tom Marquand | HKJC photo



### Longines IJC Cont.

Derek Leung took Barzalona's place in the IJC and made the most of the opportunity in the second leg, scoring by a short head astride 135-pound topweight **Win Win Fighter (Ire)** (Elzaam {Aus}) after favoured **Royal Pride (Aus)** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) slashed through one off the fence and looked on his way to victory (**video**) for McNeil's replacement Hugh Bowman. In was another feather in the cap for the homegrown Leung, whose previous crowning moment came aboard Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock {Aus}) in the 2017 Hong Kong Mile.

Neither Marquand nor De Sousa had pointed heading into the third of the IJC races, but that changed when Marquand's 11-1 chance **Winning Dragon (Chi)** (Ivan Denisovich) pegged back longshot **Red Majesty (NZ)** (Ferlax {NZ}), who was well-rated from the front by Lyle Hewitson--subbing for Kawada--but just failed to see it out at nearly 40-1 (**video**).

With as many as nine chances heading into the finale, it was De Sousa who capitalized from close range on **Adios (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}), just holding off a late surge from **Red Lion (Ire)** (Belardo {Ire}) (**video**), a two-time winner and seventh in the Britannia H. at Royal Ascot this year for trainer Andrew Slattery when racing as Finach McHugh (Ire). Red Lion would have made Australia's Jamie Kah--who took a Class 3 handicap earlier in the evening for Douglas Whyte--the outright winner on the occasion of her 27th birthday, but the event was declared a tie, as both Marquand and De Sousa posted fourths in other legs of the series. Ho's best finish outside of his was a fifth-place effort, while Leung's next best was a sixth.


"To finish joint-top with Silvestre is pretty epic," said

Marquand, who finished tied for second behind Zac Purton here 12 months ago. "He's been champion jockey back home, he works so hard and is someone you look up to in the weighing room. It's a huge honour and sometimes you have to pinch yourself that these things are happening."

Marquand's wife Hollie Doyle, third in the final IJC race after being under a COVID cloud until she was cleared to participate Tuesday, closed the Happy Valley meeting with a 9-1 upset of the Class 2 United Kingdom H. (1800m) on **Spirited Express (Aus)** (**No Nay Never**).

De Sousa, winner of the 2018 IJC, said, "I'm just delighted. It's my second time winning and I finished placed another time. In the last leg I just felt the crowd and although it was a long last half furlong, thank God he got his head down and we gave it everything."

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