



GRASSLEY AMENDMENT FAILS; HISA 'FIX' LANGUAGE IN OMNIBUS BILL



The offices of the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, DC
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After a week of political uncertainty, the Senate has passed a version of the full year-end omnibus spending bill with language affording the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) more rule-making authority in the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA), according to a source close to the process.

The language is designed to address a ruling in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals from November, which found the law as written doesn't afford the FTC enough latitude in the rule-making process.

The Senate voted in favor of the bill 68-29, but it must first pass the House of Representatives before heading to the president's desk.

It's currently unclear what specific language the Senate's version of the \$1.7-trillion spending bill includes regarding HISA and the FTC's modified role.

But language in a **prior version** of the bill allows the FTC to "abrogate, add to, and modify the rules of the Authority promulgated in accordance with this Act as the Commission finds necessary or appropriate to ensure the fair administration of the Authority, to conform the rules of the Authority to requirements of this Act and applicable rules approved by the Commission, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of this Act." **Cont. p3**

TAKING STOCK: PRACTICAL JOKE IS VALUE

By Sid Fernando

There's a lot that can be gleaned from the freshman sires and leading sires of 2-year-olds lists.

Last year, Coolmore America's **Practical Joke** (Into Mischief) was second to **Gun Runner** (Candy Ride {Arg}) on the freshman sire list by progeny earnings, \$2,339,717 to \$4,315,980. Those numbers were good enough to make **Gun Runner** the leading sire of 2-year-olds and **Practical Joke** third, with leading sire Into Mischief splitting the newcomers with \$2,971,018. That **Practical Joke** tied **Gun Runner** by number of black-type winners with six, tops among all freshman sires, suggested he was passing on some real quality to his 2-year-olds. This year, that's been confirmed: **Practical Joke** is sixth on the 2-year-old list with earnings of \$2,197,908 through Tuesday, and he's the sire of three juvenile black-type winners, including Grade I winner Chocolate Gelato--his first in the Northern Hemisphere--and Grade II winner Practical Move. **Cont. p8**

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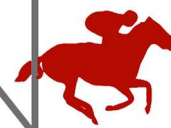
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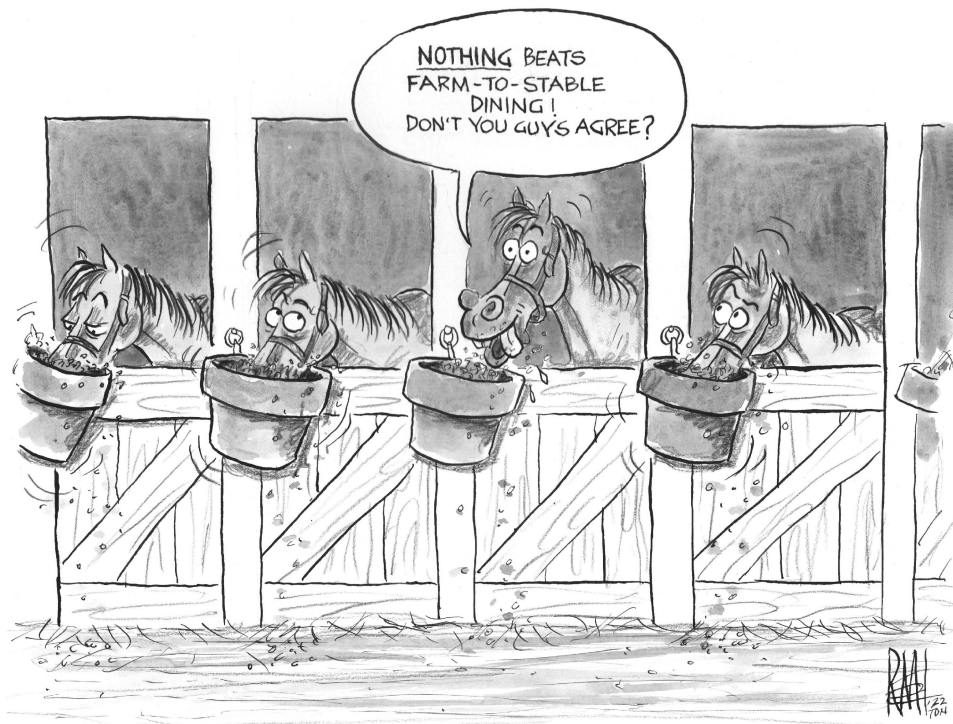
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KUMIN AS BREEDER A 'PRACTICAL MOVE'

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Horses part-owned by Sol Kumin finished second and third in last weekend's GII Los Alamitos Futurity, but they couldn't beat Practical Move (*Practical Joke*), bred by Kumin in partnership with Chad Brown.

ARLINGTON MILLION MOVING TO VIRGINIA

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The GI Arlington Million and supporting races are moving to Colonial Downs after the American Graded Stakes Committee of the Thoroughbred Owners Association gave its approval to the plan by a narrow margin.

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Grassley Bill Fails cont. from p1

Currently, the FTC can only accept or reject a proposed rule constructed by the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority, the private entity given broad umbrella power over implementing the act.

In a statement immediately following the news, National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) CEO, Eric Hamelback, praised last-minute efforts by a group of lawmakers led by Senator Chuck Grassley to strip the language from the omnibus spending bill.

"We know there were several Senators who would have supported removal language. However, the amendment did not get that opportunity and the HISA "fix" language remains in the Omnibus bill. With that said we are on firm ground to remain focused as the "fix" language changes very little about the Act as it remains unconstitutional," wrote Hamelback.



Eric Hamelback | HBPA photo

HISA spokesperson, Mandy Minger, said that the Authority would have a comment after the bill is signed.

If enacted into law, questions swirl about what this legislative fix possibly means for HISA. Various avenues were detailed in a recent conversation with constitutional law expert, Lucinda Finley.

Last week, the FTC announced that it had disapproved "without prejudice" the program's anti-doping and medication control (ADMC) rules because of the law's constitutional holes.

In the near-term, with this new language HISA can resubmit the ADMC rules with the FTC. It would then take approximately 60 days for these rules to go into effect, "assuming that the FTC was going to approve them substantively," HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus previously explained.

There remains a ruling pending in the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals concerning similar constitutional questions to the Fifth Circuit. It is currently unclear when that ruling will land.

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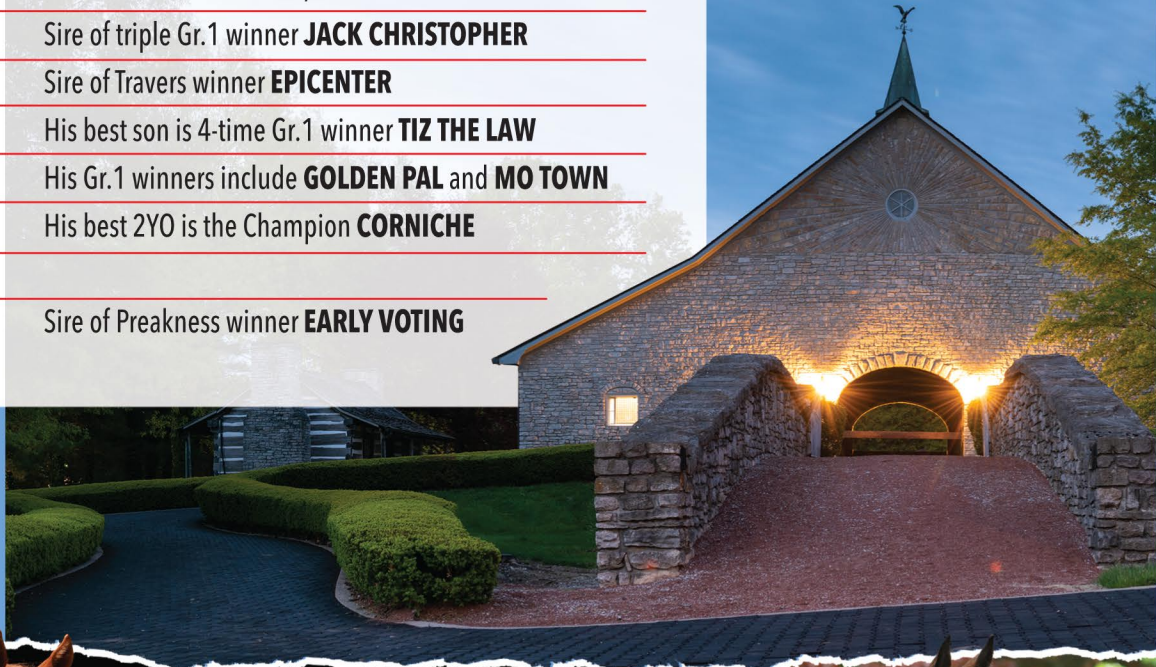
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2	MUNNINGS , \$100,000	15	Sire of triple Gr.1 winner JACK CHRISTOPHER
3	Not This Time, \$135,000	14	Sire of Travers winner EPICENTER
-	Constitution, \$110,000	14	His best son is 4-time Gr.1 winner TIZ THE LAW
5	UNCLE MO , \$150,000	13	His Gr.1 winners include GOLDEN PAL and MO TOWN
-	Quality Road, \$200,000	13	His best 2YO is the Champion CORNICHE
-	War Front, \$100,000	13	
8	Gun Runner, Private	12	Sire of Preakness winner EARLY VOTING

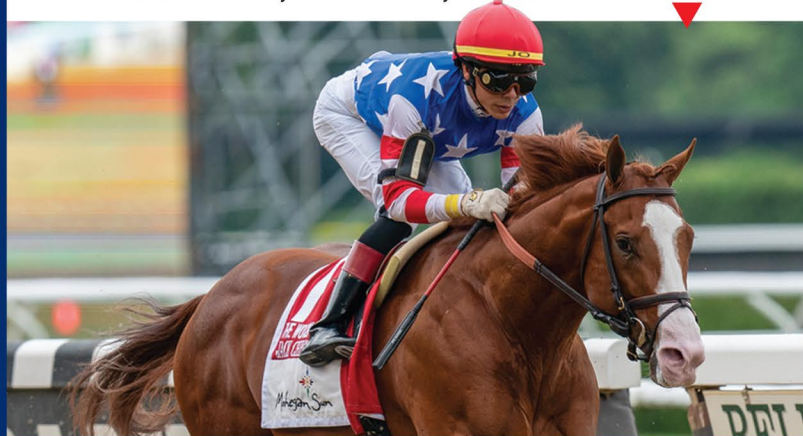
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But if the amended language in the omnibus spending bill is sufficient in the judgement of the Fifth Circuit, it could essentially render the current cases before the Fifth and Sixth Circuits legally moot in a practical sense.

It could also make the possibility of the Supreme Court taking them up altogether highly unlikely.

Even then, don't expect the legal fireworks to end, with **a case in the U.S. District Court of Texas**--Northern District, Amarillo Division--a potentially nasty looking legal blackthorn for the law.

Finley told the TDN that the case raises several additional constitutional arguments that the Fifth and Sixth Circuits did not rule on, including HISA's investigative, subpoena and punishment power as a private body, and the way in which individuals on the HISA board are appointed.

"It argues that the whole structure is a delegation of not only too much executive authority, but can amount to a delegation of legislative and judicial authority as well," Finley explained.

If the judge in the case agrees that HISA indeed delegates too much power to a private entity, the plaintiffs in the case are seeking an injunction to suspend enforcement of the law, said Finley.

Would such an injunction apply nationwide or just in Texas?

"You've actually asked what is one of the most raging controversies in U.S. law," Finley replied, leaving the answer open-ended.

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AT LOS ALAMITOS, KUMIN THE BREEDER BEATS KUMIN THE OWNER



Sol Kumin | *Coglianesse*

by Bill Finley

As the field crossed the wire in Saturday's GII Los Alamitos Futurity, Sol Kumin experienced the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat all at once. Kumin is the co-owner of second-place finisher Carmel Road (**Quality Road**) and third-place finisher Fort Bragg (**Tapit**). They ran well but couldn't outrun Practical Move (**Practical Joke**). Along with Chad Brown, Kumin bred, but does not own, the race winner.

"It was cool because I always loved the winner's dam, Ack Naughty (Afleet Alex)," he said.

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He cuts a compact sprinter's frame with a huge engine and a ton of bone. He has a history of putting substance on a foal.

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Kumin cont.

"Would I have loved to see one of the two horses we had in there with Baffert win and run off the screen? I probably would have been happier had that happened. But to look up and be able to say you bred the winner and owned the horses that ran second and third is fun. But I still enjoy the racing part of it more. I sometimes wish I still owned the horse that won."

Kumin, one of the most prominent owners in the sport, is known for being a partner on dozens of top horses every year. He says he has no intention of becoming a breeder on a large scale, but will keep the occasional mare for breeding purposes.

"I don't think I'll ever have a commercial breeding business," he said. "I'm too emotional and I know myself well enough to know what my limitations are."

She was bred to **Practical Joke** because Brown trained the sire and owns a share in him.

Normally, with Kumin, the plan is to race the horses he bred. But he explained that Brown prefers that the foals are sold at auction. Practical Move RNA'd for \$90,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September sale and then sold for \$230,000 as a 2-year-old at the OBS April sale. His owners are Pierre Jean Amestoy Jr., Leslie A. Amestoy and Rogers Beasley. He is trained by Baffert's former assistant, Tim Yakteen.

Coming into the Los Alamitos Futurity, Practical Move had yet to cross the wire first but was placed first through disqualification in an Oct. 10 maiden at Santa Anita in which Kumin's Fort Bragg was taken down. After that, he ran third in the GIII Bob Hope S.

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Darley

He did, however, keep Ack Naughty. Trained by Brown and a New York-bred, she debuted in 2014 and won four times from 15 starts. She finished second in the Chelsea Flower S. and the Mount Vernon S. and was third in the John Hettinger S.

"We raced the horse and loved her," Kumin said. "She was among one of the first crops of horses that we owned. When it came time to sell her, I didn't want to. We put a value on her and bought out our partners. Chad loved her, too. She ran a bunch and always tried really hard. We had a little crooked yearling who turned into this big, pretty horse."

When Brown was told of Kumin's plans he asked if he could stay involved and the two went in as partners on the mare. In her first year, she was bred to **Violence** and produced a colt who has yet to race. Her second foal is Practical Move.

"I knew this horse really well," Kumin said. "Not only did I breed him but every time he ran we had horses in there against him. I had watched all of his races."

Kumin started out with five to seven mares which he boards with Des Ryan at Dell Ridge Farm. But from such small numbers he has enjoyed considerable success. He bred and owns Fluffy Socks (**Slumber {GB}**), the winner of the GII Sands Point S., the GIII Jimmy Durante S. and the Selima S. He also bred and owns Grade III winner Sy Dog (**Slumber {GB}**).

"We have had three graded stakes winners out of something like 10 horses that we bred," he said. "It's been pretty outrageous so far."

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His collection of homebreds is about to grow. Brown was the co-owner of **Slumber** (Cacique {Ire}), who won the GI Manhattan S. in 2015. **Slumber** began his stallion career at Calumet Farm but, Kumin said, the farm considered retiring him and sending him to Old Friends because he was breeding to only a small number of mares. When told of that, Kumin said he bought the stallion for \$1 and sent him to Rockridge Stud in New York, where he stands for \$7,500. Kumin is optimistic that **Slumber** can be a success and is supporting him at stud.

"We bred 20 mares to **Slumber** last year and 16 or so the year before so we're really starting to pump things up," he said. "We have him in New York and will keep breeding 15 to 20 mares to him every year. Let's see if they will be as good as we think they can be. This has been my first real effort as a breeder. We're not going to sell many. We are breeding them to race. They will go to top trainers and, hopefully, we'll get some good horses out of this."

Whether it's with Carmel Road, Fort Bragg or National Treasure (**Quality Road**), who was third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Kumin has an excellent shot of having a horse in next year's Kentucky Derby, where they might meet Practical Move. He'll root first for the horses he owns. But if he has to lose, it might as well be to the horse he bred.

"I look at it like this, we have a mom that I loved the whole time we had her and now she's turned out to be a producer," he said. "There's nothing wrong with that."

IT'S OFFICIAL: ARLINGTON MILLION MOVED TO COLONIAL DOWNS *by Bill Finley*



Colonial Downs | Horsephotos

Churchill Downs Inc. (CDI) is set to go ahead with plans to move the GI Arlington Million, the GI Beverly D S. and the GI Secretariat S. to Colonial Downs, where the races will be run on Aug. 12. CDI acquired the New Kent, Virginia, track in August of this year.

The three races were long-time fixtures at Arlington Park, which closed at the conclusion of its 2021 meet. The Million and Beverly D. and Secretariat S. were all moved to Churchill Downs for the 2022 racing season, but the Secretariat was canceled owing to concerns over the condition of the Churchill Downs turf course. **Cont. p7**

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Arlington Million Moving to Colonial cont.

The move of the races to Virginia was officially announced in a press release released Wednesday by Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin.

"It is an incredible honor to continue the legacy of these exceptional races by hosting them in our Commonwealth," Youngkin said in the release. "I am deeply committed to growing our equine industry and as we work to revive the rich traditions of this sport in Virginia, these stakes races will accelerate our progress and ignite excitement for the fans."

Youngkin's release also quoted CDI CEO Bill Carstanjen, who said: "Churchill Downs Incorporated remains steadfast in our goal to increase the relevance of the racing product at Colonial Downs and in Virginia. We appreciate the American Graded Stakes Committee for their approval of this move, which is an important step toward that goal in terms of wagering growth and entertainment value. We are also committed to increasing the flow of purse revenue from historical horse racing to allow for expansion of race dates in the future."

The move to bring the races to Colonial had been in the making for weeks, but CDI had been awaiting approval from the American Graded Stakes Committee (AGSC), which had to decide whether or not the races could keep their graded status after being moved to a new track. For the AGSC to approve the move was not a formality as the committee's rules call for a race losing its graded status if it is moved from a track in one region of the country to another. Despite that rule, the committee approved the changes.

"The American Graded Stakes Committee has reviewed the unique circumstances around the move of these races and had a lengthy debate about the positives and negatives of allowing the races to maintain their current grades, even after moving regions," read a press release from the AGSC. After careful consideration the committee voted to allow the GI Arlington Million S., GI Beverly D. S., and GI Secretariat S. to maintain their current grades for 2023 provided all conditions of the races, except region, are substantially similar to previous years after moving to Colonial Downs."

The move to Colonial will allow the Arlington Million to go back to its traditional distance of a mile-an-a-quarter and the Beverly D. will once again be contested at a mile-and-three-sixteenths.

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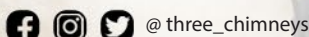


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by Sid Fernando



Practical Move won the GII Los Alamitos Futurity Dec. 17, a race that was expected to be a cakewalk for the **Justify** (Scat Daddy) colt Arabian Lion. Had the latter won, **Justify**, who also stands at Coolmore America, would have significantly tightened the race for champion first-crop sire and given the Triple Crown winner a leading seven black-type winners for the year.

As it now stands, **Justify** is third on the freshman list with earnings of \$2,398,040 behind Hill 'n' Dale's **Good Magic** with \$2,473,517 and leader Spendthrift's Bolt d'Oro with \$2,641,366 (all statistics are through Tuesday and for the Northern Hemisphere only).

On the leading 2-year-old sire list, Into Mischief is on top, followed by Bolt d'Oro (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Hill 'n' Dale's **Violence** (**Medaglia d'Oro**), **Good Magic** (**Curlin**), **Justify**, and **Practical Joke**.

This puts **Practical Joke**, who will stand for \$25,000 live foal next year, in heady company and makes him a bargain at that. His sire Into Mischief's fee is \$250,000. Bolt d'Oro's advertised fee for 2023 is \$35,000, but he can't be had for that anymore.



Practical Joke | Coolmore photo

He's booked full at the farm price and only a couple of NG seasons are available, with one offered the other day for \$42,000--the equivalent of close to \$55,000 live foal if converted with insurance. **Violence** and **Good Magic** are both advertised at \$50,000 and selling fast, and **Justify**, who was initially advertised at \$100,000 for 2023, is now at \$150,000 live foal as he closes in on a full book. **Cont. p9**



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Taking Stock cont.

Three Chimneys's **Gun Runner** is listed as private but his fee is in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

Gun Runner's first crop has now yielded a surreal total of six Grade I winners, which justifiably makes him the most expensive sire in North America. But so far he has no 2-year-old black-type winners from his second crop, which has earned \$1,385,921--good for number 21 on the 2-year-old list that he led last year. In a head-to-head comparison of second-crop juveniles, **Practical Joke** beats **Gun Runner** across the board, including by winners (24 to 17), black-type winners, black-type runners (seven to four) and Grade I winners.

As a general rule, second crops don't perform as well as first crops, but **Practical Joke** has admirably held his form with his second crop by progeny earnings, \$2,197,908 versus \$2,339,717 from last year.



Chocolate Gelato winning the Frizette | Janet Garaguso

Practical Joke's performance is also notable compared to the eight stallions who finished behind him on the first-crop Top 10 list last year, listed here by progeny earnings from last year versus this year's figures for their current juveniles: **Connect** (\$2,106,071 vs. \$1,235,808), **Classic Empire** (\$1,645,824 vs. \$818,616), **Cupid** (\$1,303,652 vs. \$98,947), **Klimt** (\$1,276,592 vs. \$728,861 and exported), **Caravaggio** (\$1,275,118 vs. \$191,481 and exported), **Gormley** (\$1,126,007 vs. \$553,091), **Mohaymen** (\$1,074,109 vs. \$169,044), and deceased **Arrogate** (\$1,069,239 vs. \$1,795,218). Only **Arrogate**'s second-crop juveniles outperformed his first.

Stallions frequently cover a lower number of mares in their second year at stud, and these mares are generally of lesser quality than those from their first year, which mostly accounts for this paradigm. **Cupid**, who also stands at Coolmore America, is a particularly stark example. Last year, he was represented by 123 named 2-year-olds, of which 75 started and 23 won. This year, he has 29 juveniles, eight starters, and two winners.

Expect similar results next year for some of the leading freshman sires of 2022, and pay attention to those like **Practical Joke** whose numbers don't fall off a cliff with their second crop of 2-year-olds.

Practical Joke's Second Career

Practical Joke, an outstanding physical specimen who stands 16.2 hands, is bred like Life Is Good, one of Into Mischief's most talented racing sons and another physical standout who will cover mares for \$100,000 at WinStar next year. Both are out of Distorted Humor mares--**Practical Joke**'s dam is Halo Humor, a black type-placed sprinter--and neither was suited for Classic distances, but both had plenty of talent over shorter trips.

Life Is Good won only a maiden special at two. **Practical Joke**, trained by Chad Brown for Klaravich Stables and William H. Lawrence, won three of his four starts as a juvenile, including the GI Hopeful S. and the GI Champagne S. His only loss was a third-place finish in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile to **Classic Empire** and **Not This Time**.

At three, **Practical Joke** was put on the Classics trail and performed well enough, even running fifth of 20 in the GI Kentucky Derby, but he didn't win again until he was cut back in distance. His most notable score that year came in the GI H. Allen Jerkens S. over seven furlongs.

He was retired to stud in 2018 with a record of five wins from 12 starts and earnings of close to \$1.8 million, and he stood for \$30,000 his first year. He's been well patronized since.

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Like many Coolmore horses, he was also shuttled, in his case to Haras Paso Nevado in Chile, and he's been **Gun Runner**-like over there with four first-crop Group 1 winners to date. Perhaps the more appropriate comparison is "Scat Daddy-like," because Paso Nevado also shuttled Coolmore's Scat Daddy, who sired busloads of South American Group 1 winners before he got rolling in the Northern Hemisphere. Two of the four top-level **Practical Joke** winners in Chile are from Scat Daddy mares, and the other two are from mares by **Lookin At Lucky** and Powerscourt (GB), two other Coolmore sires that shuttled to Paso Nevado at one time or another.

Meanwhile in the Northern Hemisphere **Practical Joke** is the sire of 11 black-type winners so far, meaning that some of his stakes-winning 2-year-olds from last year have trained on at three. One of them is Wit, who won the GIII Sanford S., was second in the Hopeful and third in the Champagne. Wit won the GIII Bay Shore S. over seven furlongs earlier this year but has recently transitioned to the turf, on which he won a listed race at Saratoga before placing in the GI Hollywood Derby at Del Mar over nine furlongs on Dec. 3. The favorite in the race, Wit was beaten by three-quarters of a length for everything.

Another is Girl With a Dream, a listed winner last year who won the GIII Forward Gal S. this year. **Practical Joke** also has had some first-time 3-year-old stakes winners, like Little Vic, who won the Listed \$100,000 City of Laurel S. on Nov. 26.

But horses like GI Frizette S. winner Chocolate Gelato and Grade II winner Practical Move, plus the four Group 1 winners in Chile, suggest that **Practical Joke** has more in the tank, and that's a tantalizing thought, especially at a fee that's below those of the notable young sires he's running with.

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FIRST-CROP SIRE RACE



DEC 22: LEADING FIRST-CROP STALLIONS SEEK A LITTLE CHRISTMAS MONEY

by Margaret Ransom

A quiet week for the top-three stallions battling it out to earn the crown as 2022 leading first-crop sire—**Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro), **Good Magic** (Curlin) and **Justify** (Scat Daddy)—has led to a busy pre-Christmas week with **Justify** and **Good Magic** each picking up a winner and all three having multiple runners both here in the U.S. and abroad over the next two days heading into the quiet holiday weekend.



Justify | Coolmore photo

Justify scored first on Wednesday with his daughter Diamondsareforever breaking her maiden at first asking at Dundalk in Ireland and earning \$11,154 for the win. Other runners for **Justify** this week include Amisfield in a \$50,000 Msw at Fair Grounds on Friday, and O'Gangster at in a \$70,000 Msw at Gulfstream Park on Christmas Eve. Also on Saturday, his filly Jasper Tiara will race 1800 metres in an about \$101,196 newcomers race at Nakayama Racecourse in Japan. A win from any of his runners could help **Justify** make up ground on the two stallions in front with nine days left in 2022. His progeny earnings total now stands at \$2,411,394.

Good Magic had a quiet week last week with no winners, but his son Devil's Cay was successful in a \$50,000 Moc at Gulfstream Park on Thursday to earn \$25,800, extending his lead over **Justify** ever so slightly though not closing much ground on Bolt d'Oro. On Saturday he will be represented by Instinctual in a \$32,000 Msw at Tampa Bay Downs. His current progeny earnings total stands at \$2,485,673.

Bolt d'Oro will have a sizeable contingent assisting his effort to annex the title once and for all with four runners on Friday alone. A trio—St. Elmo, Itzos, and Fast Forward—are set to contest Turfway's 2nd race, a \$70,000 Msw, while Roxy's Ball—a \$650,000 OBSAPR 2-year-old—is set to contest a \$50,000 Msw at Fair Grounds carded as the 8th. His final runner before Christmas will be Carcano in a \$32,000 Msw at Tampa Bay Downs on Saturday. Bolt d'Oro still maintains a significant advantage over his two main rivals with progeny earnings of \$2,641,366.

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.



Current Earnings Standings through racing of Dec. 22:

1st—Bolt d'Oro, \$2,641,366
2nd—Good Magic, \$2,485,673
3rd—Justify, \$2,411,394

The TDN sire lists contain full-dollar earnings of Northern Hemisphere foals winning anywhere in the world. To view the current standings updated overnight, click [here](#).

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WALKER HANCOCK NAMED CBA PRESIDENT

The Consignors and Commercial Breeders Association (CBA) has named new officers and board members for 2023, including the move of Claiborne Farm's Walker Hancock from vice president to president. Rob Tribbett of Watercress Farm will serve as vice president, while Stone Farm's Lynn Hancock has been named treasurer and outgoing president Allaire Ryan will continue to serve the organization as past president.

"The CBA is very appreciative of Allaire's work and progress she made during her time as president," said the new president. "She took the CBA to a new level and I'm pleased to continue to work with her as she takes on her new roll as past president. I look forward to embracing the many challenges ahead and will work hard to represent all consignors and breeders in hopes of making the sales space better for everyone involved."

New board members for 2023 will be Scott Mallory (Scott Mallory, Agent), Samantha McGreevy (Taylor Made Sales), and Caroline Wilson (SF Bloodstock). Those continuing to serve include all of the officers, as well as Conrad Bendoroff (Denali Stud), Carrie Brogden (Machmer Hall Sales), Neal Clarke (Atlas Farm/Bedouin Bloodstock), Pat Costello (Paramount Sales), Liz Crow (ELITE Sales), Tommy Eastham (Legacy Bloodstock), Adrian Regan (Hunter Valley Farm), and Sean Tugel (Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners). The board consists of 15 members with eight from the top 20 consignors by sales and seven from other consignors and commercial breeders. Each year a portion of the board rotates off and new board members are appointed to fill those positions.

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Monday, Santa Anita #8, post time: 5:35 p.m. EST

LA BREA S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Under the Stars	Pioneerof the Nile	Magnier, Mrs. John, Tabor, Michael B. & Smith, Derrick	Baffert	Prat	122
2	Hot Peppers	Khozan	Caruso, Michael J. and Dubb, Michael	Rodriguez	Gaffalione	122
3	Ganadora 🦟	Quality Road	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Velazquez	120
4	Midnight Memories	Mastery	Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul	Baffert	Vazquez	122
5	Ain't Easy 🦟	Into Mischief	Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC, Lombardi, Michael V. and Platts, Joey	D'Amato	Rosario	120
6	Fun to Dream	Arrogate	Baffert, Natalie J. and Pageler, Connie	Baffert	Hernandez	120
7	Kirstenbosch	Midnight Lute	Keith Abrahams	Sadler	Kimura	120
8	Awake At Midnyte 🦟	Nyquist	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	120

Breeders: 1-Eaton, 2-Brent Fernung & Crystal Fernung, 3-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD, BrianGraves & Michael E. Hernon, 4-Michael E. Pegram, Paul Weitman & KarlWatson, 5-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 6-Connie Pageler & Bob Baffert, 7-Keith Abrahams, 8-Forty Oaks

Monday, Santa Anita #10, post time: 6:39 p.m. EST

RUNHAPPY MALIBU S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Forbidden Kingdom	American Pharoah	MyRacehorse and Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Hernandez	122
2	Messier	Empire Maker	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Masterson, Robert E., Schoenfarber, Jay A., Waves Edge Capital LLC, Donovan, Catherine M., Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC	Baffert	Velazquez	122
3	Apprehend 🦟	Arrogate	Peter Redekop B. C., Ltd.	Miller	Vazquez	120
4	Nakatomi 🦟	Firing Line	Bottle Rocket Stable, Qatar Racing & Detampel, Marc	Ward	Gaffalione	120
5	Hoist the Gold 🦟	Mineshaft	Dream Team One Racing Stable	Stewart	Rosario	120
6	Taiba	Gun Runner	Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.	Baffert	Smith	124
7	Perfect Flight	Uncle Mo	Gary Barber	Miller	Santana, Jr.	120
8	Strava 🦟	Into Mischief	Siena Farm LLC, WinStar Farm, LLC & Crum, Denny	Stewart	Prat	120
9	Straight No Chaser	Speightster	MyRacehorse	Blackner	Maldonado	120

Breeders: 1-Springhouse Farm, 2-Sam-Son Farm, 3-Elevated Bloodstock & Raxon Cho, 4-Arnold Zetcher LLC & Crestwood Farm, 5-Dream Team Racing, 6-Bruce C. Ryan, 7-Siena Farms LLC, 8-WinStar Farm, LLC, 9-John Eaton & Steve Laymon



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Monday, Santa Anita #11, post time: 7:11 p.m. EST**AMERICAN OAKS-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Rhea Moon (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Rockingham Ranch and Talla Racing LLC	D'Amato	Hernandez	124
2	Sparkle Blue	Hard Spun	Augustin Stable and Parke, Catherine	Motion	Rosario	124
3	Lady Clementine (GB)	Churchill (Ire)	Qatar Racing, Detampel, Marc and Galvin, Fergus	Papaprodromou	Dettori	124
4	Oakhurst	Mr Speaker	Little Red Feather Racing	D'Amato	Berrios	124
5	Bellstreet Bridie (GB)	Sir Percy (GB)	Red Baron's Barn LLC, Rancho Temescal LLC and Branch, William A.	Glatt	Smith	124
6	Mise En Scene (GB)	Siyouni (Fr)	Qatar Racing Limited and RacehorseClub	Walsh	Gaffalione	124
7	Skims (GB) 	Frankel (GB)	Andrew Rosen	McGaughey III	Velazquez	124
8	Pizza Bianca	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Bobby Flay	Motion	Rispoli	124
9	Salimah (Ire)	El Kabeir	Stephanie Seymour Brant	Brown	Prat	124
10	Duvet Day (Ire) 	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Bacharach, Burt, Bacharach, Jane & Schatz, Richard	McCarthy	Kimura	124
11	School Dance	Animal Kingdom	Agave Racing Stable & Rockin Robin Racing Stables	D'Amato	Vazquez	124



Breeders: 1-Kevin J. Molloy, 2-Catherine Parke, 3-The Wind Fire Partnership, 4-Vegso Racing Stable, 5-Ashbrittle Stud, 6-The Gadfly Partnership, 7-Andrew Rosen, 8-B. Flay Thoroughbreds, 9-Yeomanstown Stud, 10-John Yarr, 11-Betz/Lamantia/Ramsby/Strong, B & KCanetti/J.Betz

Monday, Santa Anita #1, post time: 2:00 p.m. EST**SANTA ANITA MATHIS MILE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Balnikhov (Ire)	Adaay (Ire)	Little Red Feather Racing, Madaket Stables LLC and Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC	D'Amato	Gaffalione	122
2	One More Bid	California Chrome	California Racing Partners, Ciaglia Racing LLC and Hanson, Ryan	Hanson	Vazquez	120
3	I'm A Gambler (Ire)	No Nay Never	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Glatt	Prat	120
4	Time to Party 	Kantharos	David A Bernsen LLC and Weijland, Raymond	Papaprodromou	Bravo	120
5	Agatino (Ire)	Buratino (Ire)	CYBT, Nentwig, Michael, Newman, Roger H. and Pagano, Ray	D'Amato	Rispoli	120
6	Handy Dandy	Fury Kapcori	Altamira Racing Stable, CYBT, Lantzman, Marc and Nentwig, Michael	Miller	Rosario	122
7	Sumter	War Front	Bass II, Perry R. and Bass, Ramona S.	Mandella	Smith	122

Breeders: 1-T. de La Heronniere & Gestut Zur Kuste AG, 2-Tolo Thoroughbreds, 3-Fullbury Ltd, 4-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd & Bridlewood Farm, 5-Mr J. Higgins, 6-Brent Fernung & Crystal Fernung, 7-Bass Stables, LLC

Monday, Santa Anita #3, post time: 3:03 p.m. EST**SAN GABRIEL S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Rip City 	City Zip	S3L, LLC	O'Neill	Maldonado	121
2	Masteroffoxhounds	War Front	Rockingham Ranch	D'Amato	Smith	125
3	Dicey Mo Chara (GB)	Adaay (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Powell	Hernandez	121
4	Go On	Nyquist	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	121
5	Bob and Jackie 	Twirling Candy	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C.	Papaprodromou	Valdivia, Jr.	121
6	Prince Abama (Ire)	Tamayuz (GB)	Michael House	D'Amato	Prat	125
7	Flashiest	Mizzen Mast	Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary, Drion, Nicolas G. and Powell, Mathilde	Powell	Rosario	121

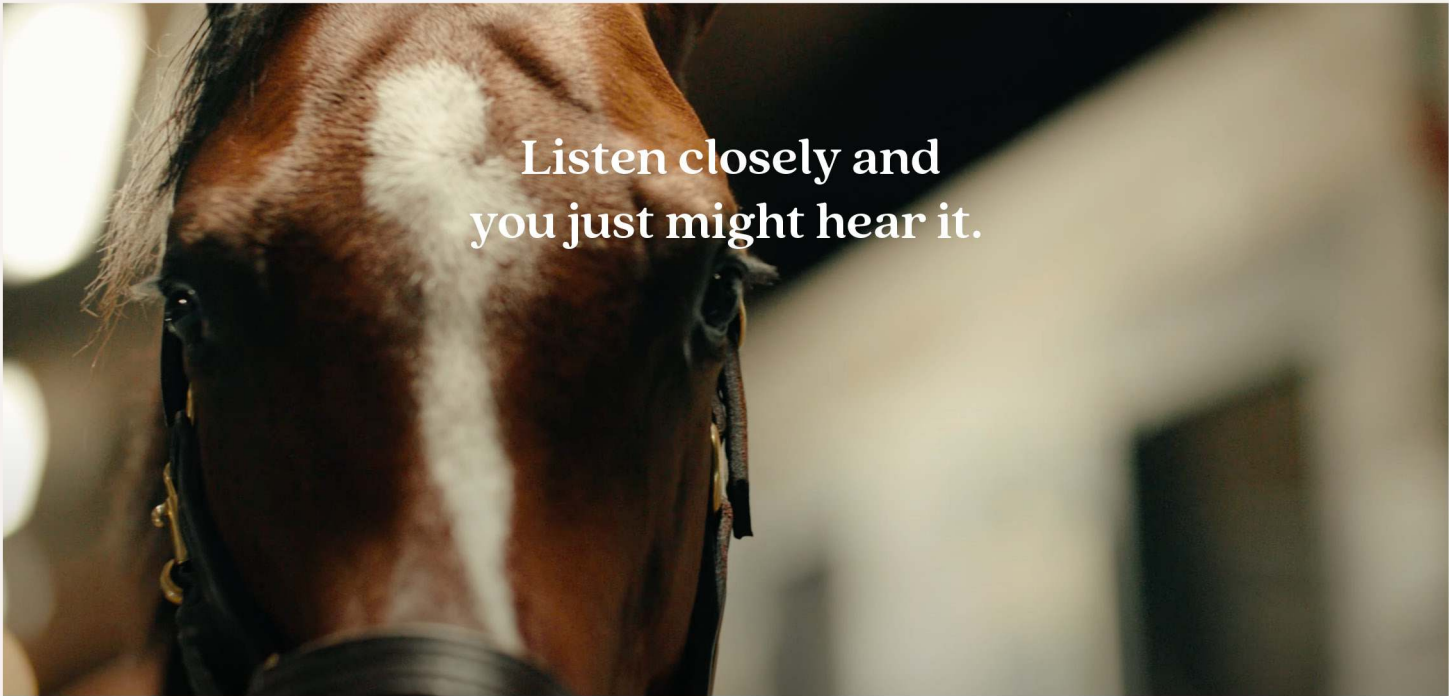
Breeders: 1-Darwin Krenz, 2-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 3-Workshop Manor Stud, 4-Reddam Racing, LLC, 5-Zayat Stables LLC, 6-Mr T. Jones, 7-Indian Creek & Nicky Drion

Monday, Santa Anita #6, post time: 4:32 p.m. EST

SAN ANTONIO S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Hopkins 🐾	Quality Road	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC and Masterson, Robert E.	Baffert	Hernandez	121
2	Stilleto Boy	Shackleford	Steve Moger	Moger, Jr.	Smith	123
3	Breakfast Ride 🐾	Distorted Humor	Eggert, Paul and Eggert, Karen	Sadler	Rosario	119
4	Hudson Ridge	American Pharoah	Double L Racing and Baffert, Natalie J.	Baffert	Prat	121
5	Heywoods Beach 🐾	Speightstown	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Vazquez	123
6	Country Grammer 🐾	Tonalist	Commonwealth Thoroughbreds, LLC, Winstar Farm LLC and Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.	Baffert	Dettori	123

Breeders: 1-Nursery Place, 2-John Kerber & Iveta Kerber, 3-Paul Eggert & Karen Eggert, 4-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 5-SF Bloodstock LLC, 6-Scott Pierce & Debbie Pierce



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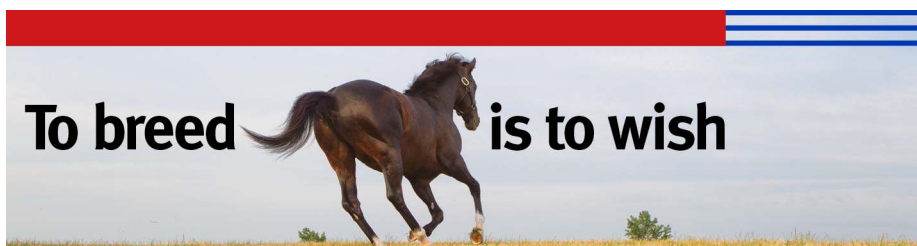
2022 Leading Sires of 3-Year-Olds by Black-Type Winners

for stallions standing in North America through Wednesday, Dec. 21

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	Gun Runner (2013) <i>Candy Ride (Arg)</i>	12	23	9	16	4	9	90	44	2,012,520	13,203,956
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY</i>				<i>Fee: Private</i>		<i>Cyberknife</i>	
2	Munnings (2006) by <i>Speightstown</i>	7	9	4	5	1	1	66	37	886,400	4,216,780
	<i>Crops: 9</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$85,000</i>		<i>Jack Christopher</i>	
3	More Than Ready (1997) by <i>Southern Halo</i>	7	10	5	6	--	2	88	44	616,126	4,115,883
	<i>Crops: 19</i>			<i>Stands: WinStar Farm USA (Dead/Retired)</i>						<i>Jean Gros</i>	
4	Uncle Mo (2008) by <i>Indian Charlie</i>	6	15	4	9	1	2	75	43	1,314,000	5,957,998
	<i>Crops: 8</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$160,000</i>		<i>Mo Donegal</i>	
5	Caravaggio (2014) by <i>Scat Daddy</i>	6	11	4	6	1	1	115	47	397,275	2,525,689
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$35,000</i>		<i>Tenebrism</i>	
6	Not This Time (2014) by <i>Giant's Causeway</i>	5	13	3	8	1	2	64	37	2,810,000	7,084,471
	<i>Crops: 3</i>			<i>Stands: Taylor Made Farm KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$45,000</i>		<i>Epicenter</i>	
7	Practical Joke (2014) by <i>Into Mischief</i>	5	10	2	3	--	1	113	66	351,000	5,407,336
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$35,000</i>		<i>Wit</i>	
8	Cairo Prince (2011) by <i>Pioneerof Nile</i>	5	10	1	1	--	1	95	55	384,440	3,819,624
	<i>Crops: 5</i>			<i>Stands: Airdrie Stud KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$15,000</i>		<i>Play Action Pass</i>	
9	Classic Empire (2014) by <i>Pioneerof Nile</i>	5	9	2	3	--	1	88	51	409,325	3,598,736
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$17,500</i>		<i>Interstatedaydream</i>	
10	Tapit (2001) by <i>Pulpit</i>	5	10	2	3	--	1	61	32	367,900	3,300,704
	<i>Crops: 15</i>			<i>Stands: Gainesway Farm KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$185,000</i>		<i>Charge It</i>	
11	War Front (2002) by <i>Danzig</i>	5	9	1	5	1	1	45	29	1,001,100	2,970,389
	<i>Crops: 13</i>			<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$100,000</i>		<i>Annapolis</i>	
12	Into Mischief (2005) by <i>Harlan's Holiday</i>	4	20	3	12	1	2	145	74	553,540	6,673,576
	<i>Crops: 11</i>			<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$250,000</i>		<i>Gina Romantica</i>	
13	Arrogate (2013) by <i>Unbridled's Song</i>	4	9	1	2	1	1	76	43	1,603,250	5,845,990
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Juddmonte Farms USA (Dead/Retired)</i>						<i>Secret Oath</i>	
14	Pioneerof the Nile (2006) by <i>Empire Maker</i>	4	11	4	6	1	1	60	29	906,200	4,859,061
	<i>Crops: 10</i>			<i>Stands: WinStar Farm USA (Dead/Retired)</i>						<i>Matareya</i>	
15	Cupid (2013) by <i>Tapit</i>	4	8	1	4	--	1	106	62	488,750	4,342,857
	<i>Crops: 2</i>			<i>Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY</i>				<i>Fee: \$5,000</i>		<i>Desert Dawn</i>	

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SPEEDY \$650K BOLT D'ORO FIRSTER UNVEILED AT FAIR GROUNDS

8th-FG, \$50K, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, 5:45 p.m.

Purchased for \$650,000 out of the OBS April Sale after a sharp :9.4 breeze, **ROXY'S BALL** (Bolt d'Oro) was the most expensive filly and the second-most expensive overall by her freshman sire (by **Medaglia d'Oro**) from the sale. From a heavily-Australian influenced family, her third dam produced MG1SW Toledo (Aus) (At Talaq). Closer up, her own dam is a multiple stakes winner and multiple graded-stakes placed in her native Australia before being imported in 2018. Conditioned by Keith Desormeaux, Roxy's Ball posted a pair of back-to-back bullet works at Fair Grounds, going five furlongs over a sloppy track from the gate in 1:01 4/5 (1/15) Nov. 26 and again in 1:00 (1/18) Dec. 3.

A homebred filly for Clearsky Farms and Three Chimneys Farm, **Amisfield (Justify)** is a half-sister to a pair of graded stakes winner in MGSW Handsome Mike (Scat Daddy) and GISW Union Strike (**Union Rags**). She posted a bullet of her own Nov. 25, going five furlongs in 1:01 1/5 (1/10) and checked in just behind Roxy's Ball Dec. 3 with a work in 1:00 3/5 (3/18). **TJCIS PPS**

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5th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 12-22, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.42, ft, 6 lengths.

STROBE (c, 3, Into Mischief--Flashing {MGISW, \$633,226}, by A.P. Indy), bet like a sure thing at 1-5, entered off his only loss to date, a second-place finish against optional claimers Nov. 12 at Churchill Downs. A gate-to-wire winner in his two prior starts by a combined 10 1/2 lengths, Strobe looked to do the same Thursday, going straight to the front to dictate terms into the turn. Pressed only mildly by Higher Standard (Into Mischief), he easily dispatched that rival and still had plenty of run left down the lane to draw off, hitting the wire six lengths ahead of 19-1 shot Omaha Red (Daaher). A half-brother to Floodlight (**Medaglia d'Oro**), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$111,885, Strobe has a weanling half-brother by **Street Boss**. His dam is due to **Liam's Map** in 2023. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$191,398. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. *1/2 to Floodlight (**Medaglia d'Oro**), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$111,885.


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8th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 12-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46.81, ft, 1 length.

ONE TIME MO (f, 3, **Uncle Mo--Single Solution {GSW, \$199,439}, by Flatter)** took three tries to break her maiden, doing so last time out in maiden special weight company at Churchill Downs Nov. 6. Steered to the rail by regular pilot Corey Lanerie after contact at the break, she tracked mid pack in fourth while saving ground into the turn. Tipped out to split rivals past the quarter pole, One Time Mo began to pick up positions inside the final furlong, overtook late leader Ain't Broke (**Dialed In**) with a sixteenth to run, and edged clear for the one-length win at odds of 2-1. Already a half-sister to No Fault of Mine (**Blame**), SW & MGSP, \$267,814, One Time Mo is out of a half-sister to GISW Vacare (Lear Fan). Single Solution produced an un-raced 2-year-old full-sister to One Time Mo and a yearling filly by **War Front** before visiting **Blame** for a full-sibling to No Fault of Mine in 2023. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$130,100. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** O/B-Lothenbach Stables Inc (KY); T-Neil L. Pessin.



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Fair Grounds, \$50,000, Msw, 12-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.61, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.

NON VIOLENCE (f, 3, **Violence--Singavictorysong, by Hard Spun),** given the 5-2 nod for her belated debut, got squeezed back at the start and found herself chasing from fifth while racing several paths off the rail. Ridden into contention as the field swung around the far turn, she loomed from the five path at the head of the lane, ranged up to challenge pacesetter One More Laugh (Distorted Humor), and sprinted past to make it a race for second place as she cruised late to win by 5 1/4 lengths. One More Laugh held second to fill out the exacta. Singavictorysong, herself a half-sister to MGSW & GISP Too Much Bling (Rubiano), is responsible for a 2-year-old filly, Song of America (**American Pharoah**), and a weanling colt by **Mendelssohn**. She is due to **Lexitonian** in 2023. Sales History: \$27,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$190,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Martin Racing Stable LLC, Bob Gorsky & Circustown Racing Stables, LLC; B-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun.



9th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$25,000, Msw, 12-22, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47.56, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

EMBRACE ME (f, 2, **Candy Ride {Arg}--Assertive, by Blame),** off the board in both of her prior starts caught a scratched-down field of just four in this rained-off event. Racing with blinkers for the first time at 6-5, she sat a ground-saving third for much of the early running, tracking pacesetter She's So Bearish (Cross Traffic) before making an inside move going around the far turn. Clear of the top pair with a furlong to run, Embrace Me outran Lexa (**Gun Runner**) to the line to win by 2 1/4 lengths. From the extended family of GI Kentucky Derby winner Fusahichi Pegasus (Mr. Prospector), Embrace Me has a yearling full-sister. Sales History: \$200,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$130,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$19,225. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Mark T. Anderson; B-Stone Farm (KY); T-Thomas Albertrani.



In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this Saturday running at Nakayama Racecourse. The highlight of the weekend and one of the year's main events, the G1 Arima Kinen (Grand Prix) has attracted most every top galloper in Japan. Tune in Sunday morning at 1:40 a.m. ET if still setting out the milk and cookies ahead of Santa's arrival:



Sweetgrass | Brittlan Wall

6th-NKY, ¥13,400,000, Newcomers, 2yo, 1800m

JASPER TIARA (f, 2, **Justify**--Sweetgrass, by **Street Sense**) is the first foal to the races for her dam, placed no fewer than five times at the graded-stakes level for Six Column Stables and Randy Bloch and purchased by Baccari Bloodstock for \$250,000 at the 2017 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. The May 3 foal, who was scratched from an intended debut in July, was one of 12 youngsters purchased by trainer Hideyuki Mori at Keeneland September last fall, hammering for \$150,000. A full-sister to Jasper Tiara fetched \$160,000 at this year's KEESEP sale, while Sweetgrass was sold on for \$135,000 in foal to **City of Light** at last month's Keeneland November sale. *B-Chris Baccari, Brad Stephens & Breeze Easy (KY)*

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IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Brq, c, 2, **Jimmy Creed**--Carlisle House, by Dynaformer. King Abdulaziz, 12-22, Maiden, 1200m. B-Cloyce C Clark Jr & Jay Goodwin (LA). *\$21,000 Ylg '21 TEXAUG; \$36,000 2yo 22 OBSAPR. **VIDEO (SC 10)**



IN INDIA:

My Opinion (Ind), h, 7, **Dialed In**--Love Me Good (SP), by Jazil. Mysore, 12-21, Allowance, 2000mT. B-Sans Craintes. *MSW-Ind. **\$16,000 in utero '14 KEENOV. **VIDEO**



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

2022 Stud Fees Listed

Awesome Slew (Awesome Again), Ocala Stud, \$4,000
36 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Gulfstream, 1:06 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Gambling Holiday, 7-2
\$125,000 OBS APR 2yo

Bee Jersey (Jersey Town), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000
38 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Penn National, 8:43 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, High Strike, 7-2
\$26,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$72,000 OBS APR 2yo

Bolt d'Oro (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000
167 foals of racing age/27 winners/5 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Roxy's Ball, 9-2
\$35,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$650,000 OBS APR 2yo

Girvin (**Tale of Ekati**), Ocala Stud, \$6,000
105 foals of racing age/20 winners/5 black-type winners
3-Gulfstream, 1:06 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Erskine, 6-1
3-Gulfstream, 1:06 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, First Place G, 8-1
\$275,000 OBS APR 2yo

Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday), Northview Stallion Station, \$5,000
81 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Penn National, 8:43 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Fierce and Strong, 5-1

Justify (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$100,000
176 foals of racing age/29 winners/6 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Amisfield, 9-2

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$35,000
174 foals of racing age/25 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Fancy Caber Neigh, 4-1
\$20,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$75,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

2022 Stud Fees Listed

Valiant Minister (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), Bridlewood Farm, \$5,000
70 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Gulfstream, 1:06 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Etretat, 15-1





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7th-Turfway, \$77,844, 12-21, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15.26, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

DROPPIN G'S (g, 3, Klimt--Zooney, by Exchange Rate) Lifetime Record: 14-3-0-4, \$206,401. O-Lisa Tiemeyer Stable, LLC; B-Joe B. Mulholland Jr., John P. & Karen Mulholland (KY); T-Jerry Antonuik. *\$15,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$50,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR.

6th-Turfway, \$71,791, 12-21, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.48, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

VACCINE OF HOPE (f, 3, Pioneerof the Nile--Media Mischief, by Into Mischief) Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-0, \$132,808. O-R.T Racing Stable; B-Carhue Investments (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward. *\$260,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

8th-Gulfstream, \$68,000, 12-22, 3yo/up, 5fT, :55.66, gd, 3/4 length.

FULL DISCLOSURE (g, 3, Cajun Breeze--Theladysaidno, by Concerto) Lifetime Record: 12-5-1-2, \$158,020. O-Elizabeth L. Dobles & Imaginary Stables; B-Shadybrook Farm Inc (FL); T-Elizabeth L. Dobles. *Full to Cajun Casanova, MSW, \$283,624.

7th-Gulfstream, \$64,000, 12-22, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.44, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

ENDORSED (h, 6, Medaglia d'Oro--Dance Card {GISW, \$502,200}, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: MGSP, 32-5-8-5, \$751,103. O-Mark D. Breen; B-Godolphin (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. *1/2 to Cody's Wish (Curlin), MGISW, \$1,332,130.

6th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, (S), 12-22, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.78, ft, neck.

JACK BOB AND LARRY (g, 3, Social Inclusion--Crypto Note, by Cryptoclearance) Lifetime Record: SP, 6-3-0-3, \$93,850. O/B-Dennis Milligan (LA); T-Henry B. Johnson, Jr. *1/2 to Udoknowjack (Storm Day), SW, \$183,695.

5th-Turfway, \$41,400, 12-21, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:37.61, ft, nose.

KING'S LEGACY (f, 3, Animal Kingdom--Apt to Be Amazing, by Aptitude) Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$71,560. O-Grit to Glory; B-Godolphin & Freddy and The Goat (KY); T-Thomas Van Berg.

6th-Delta Downs, \$41,000, (S), 12-22, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:43.27, my, 3 1/2 lengths.

JERSEY HOTTIE (f, 4, Redding Colliery--Hot Talent {SW, \$387,850}, by Alphabet Soup) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-2, \$77,858. O-Laurence Jone; B-Montgomery (LA); T-Sarah Delany. *\$2,500 Wlg '18 ESLMIX. **1/2 to Hot Zapper (Ghostzapper), SW, \$166,285; Big Game Baby (Gold Tribute), SW, \$106,822.

1st-Delta Downs, \$41,000, (S), 12-22, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, 1:00.18, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

WON DAY (f, 3, Time Bandit--Sack O Rocks, by Buzzy's Gold) Lifetime Record: 12-2-4-0, \$95,136. O-Myers Horse Racing, LLC (Jamie Myers); B-Gerald L. Averett (LA); T-Allen Landry.

2nd-Delta Downs, \$39,170, 12-22, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:20.26, ft, 6 1/2 lengths.

DREAMER'S DISEASE (g, 4, Laoban--Marketplace, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: SW, 18-4-2-0, \$245,155. O-Cypress Creek; B-Southern Equine (KY); T-Ricky Courville. *\$74,000 RNA 2yo '20 OBSMAR; \$45,000 4yo '22 KEENOV.

8th-Delta Downs, \$36,000, 12-22, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:36.18, my, 1 length.

MY FRIEND AMY (f, 3, Orb--Orrery, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 20-5-7-3, \$203,727. O/T-Scott Gelner; B-JSM Equine, LLC (KY). *\$10,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

6th-Mahoning Valley, \$27,500, 12-22, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.18, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

NAUGHTY PRINCE (g, 5, Into Mischief--Queen Stephanie, by Proud Citizen) Lifetime Record: 30-9-10-4, \$223,090. O-Julie M. Fenster; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Craig Sweeting. *1/2 to Crown the Kitten (Kitten's Joy), SW, \$397,126.

8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$26,500, 12-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.93, ft, 3 lengths.

SHE'S PEACHY KEEN (f, 3, Keen Ice--W W Old School, by Royal Academy) Lifetime Record: 15-4-1-1, \$118,530. O-Equistaff & Winning; B-Delaverne (KY); T-Gerald Bennett. *\$47,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Dubdubwatson (Kipling), MSP, \$201,892.

3rd-Mahoning Valley, \$25,900, 12-22, (NW2L), 2yo, 6f, 1:12.44, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.

AGNELLO'S DREAM (c, 2, Always Dreaming--Grammajo, by Street Sense) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$37,356. O-Danielle Agnello; B-WinStar Farm (KY); T-Jeffrey Skerrett. *\$35,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **12th winner for freshman sire (by Bodemeister).

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4th-Mahoning Valley, \$25,900, 12-22, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:42.57, ft, neck.

GOLD HERITAGE (g, 3, Union Rags--Tare Green, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: SP, 11-2-2-1, \$81,913. O/T-Megan Fadlovich; B-Indian Creek (KY). *\$190,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Ocean Atlantique (American Pharoah), SW & GSP-Fr.

THINK INDIAN CREEK

9th-Turf Paradise, \$23,400, 12-21, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.38, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

RACE HOME (g, 5, Race Day--Head for Home, by Whiskey Wisdom) Lifetime Record: SW, 25-8-4-5, \$181,209. O-Tim Banker; B-Columbiana (KY); T-Manuel Ortiz. *\$29,000 Ylg '18.



Into Mischief had a pair of winners on the day | Lee Thomas

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Foxy Junior, f, 2, **Cuba**--Foxy Drummer, by Flatter. Penn National, 12-21, 6f, 1:12.19. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$28,997. B-Dianne L. Stern (PA).

My Lil Dude, g, 2, **First Dude**--Kindling (MSP, \$304,881), by Boundary. Fair Grounds, 12-22, (S), 1m, 1:42.01. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$38,000. B-Lisa Cheramie Rouse (LA).

Devil's Cay, c, 2, **Good Magic**--Silver Dollar Diva, by Harlan's Holiday. Gulfstream, 12-22, (C), 1m, 1:38.20. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,800. B-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock (KY). **22nd winner for freshman sire (by Curlin).

Triple L's Cutter, f, 2, **Include**--Cuoco, by Union Rags. Delta Downs, 12-22, 1m, 1:43.72. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$30,940. B-Imagine (KY). *\$35,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR.

IMAGINE...

Mighty Madison, f, 2, **Nyquist**--Wedding Jitters, by Broken Vow. Turfway, 12-21, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.52. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$79,250. B-De Sousa Stables & Cranford Bloodstock LTD (KY). *\$210,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.



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Be Sharp, f, 2, **Sharp Azteca**--Cascabella (MSP, \$192,352), by Afleet Alex. Mahoning Valley, 12-22, 6f, 1:15.34. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$15,590. B-Patterson Bloodstock & Bellepoint Management, LLC (KY). *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP. **33rd winner for freshman sire (by Freud).

Red Head Kid, g, 3, **Cowtown Cat**--Compliment Tree, by Flatter. Mahoning Valley, 12-22, (S), 1m, 1:45.90. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$19,398. B-Rick D & Shelly L Terrell (OH).

My Little Mia, f, 3, **Yankee Gentleman**--Magical Mia, by Gold Fever. Delta Downs, 12-22, (S), 5f, 1:00.28. Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-0, \$41,170. B-Gerard Perron (LA). *1/2 to Grand Luwegee (El Corredor), MSW, \$504,590.

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Always Dreaming, Agnello's Dream, c, 2, o/o Grammajor, by Street Sense. ALW, 12-22, Mahoning Valley

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Cajun Breeze, Full Disclosure, g, 3, o/o Theladysaidno, by Concerto. AOC, 12-22, Gulfstream

Candy Ride (Arg), Embrace Me, f, 2, o/o Assertive, by Blame. MSW, 12-22, Tampa Bay

Cowtown Cat, Red Head Kid, g, 3, o/o Compliment Tree, by Flatter. MSW, 12-22, Mahoning Valley

Cuba, Foxy Junior, f, 2, o/o Foxy Drummer, by Flatter. MSW, 12-21, Penn National

First Dude, My Lil Dude, g, 2, o/o Kindling, by Boundary. MSW, 12-22, Fair Grounds

Good Magic, Devil's Cay, g, 2, o/o Silver Dollar Diva, by Harlan's Holiday. MOC, 12-22, Gulfstream

Include, Triple L's Cutter, f, 2, o/o Cuoco, by Union Rags. MSW, 12-22, Delta Downs

Into Mischief, Naughty Prince, g, 5, o/o Queen Stephanie, by Proud Citizen. AOC, 12-22, Mahoning Valley

Into Mischief, Strobe, c, 3, o/o Flashing, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 12-22, Fair Grounds

Keen Ice, She's Peachy Keen, f, 3, o/o W W Old School, by Royal Academy. AOC, 12-22, Tampa Bay

Klimt, Droppin G's, g, 3, o/o Zooney, by Exchange Rate. AOC, 12-21, Turfway

Laoban, Dreamer's Disease, g, 4, o/o Marketplace, by Stormy Atlantic. ALW, 12-22, Delta Downs

Medaglia d'Oro, Endorsed, h, 6, o/o Dance Card, by **Tapit**. AOC, 12-22, Gulfstream

Nyquist, Mighty Madison, f, 2, o/o Wedding Jitters, by Broken Vow. MSW, 12-21, Turfway

Orb, My Friend Amy, f, 3, o/o Orrery, by Smart Strike. ALW, 12-22, Delta Downs

Pioneer of the Nile, Vaccine of Hope, f, 3, o/o Media Mischief, by Into Mischief. ALW, 12-21, Turfway

Race Day, Race Home, g, 5, o/o Head for Home, by Whiskey Wisdom. AOC, 12-21, Turf Paradise

Redding Colliery, Jersey Hottie, f, 4, o/o Hot Talent, by Alphabet Soup. ALW, 12-22, Delta Downs

Sharp Azteca, Be Sharp, f, 2, o/o Cascabella, by Afleet Alex. MSW, 12-22, Mahoning Valley

Social Inclusion, Jack Bob and Larry, g, 3, o/o Crypto Note, by Cryptoclearance. ALW, 12-22, Fair Grounds

Time Bandit, Won Day, f, 3, o/o Sack O Rocks, by Buzzy's Gold. ALW, 12-22, Delta Downs

Uncle Mo, One Time Mo, f, 3, o/o Single Solution, by Flatter. AOC, 12-22, Fair Grounds

Union Rags, Gold Heritage, g, 3, o/o Tare Green, by Giant's Causeway. ALW, 12-22, Mahoning Valley

Violence, Non **Violence**, f, 3, o/o Singavictorysong, by **Hard Spun**. MSW, 12-22, Fair Grounds

Yankee Gentleman, My Little Mia, f, 3, o/o Magical Mia, by Gold Fever. MSW, 12-22, Delta Downs

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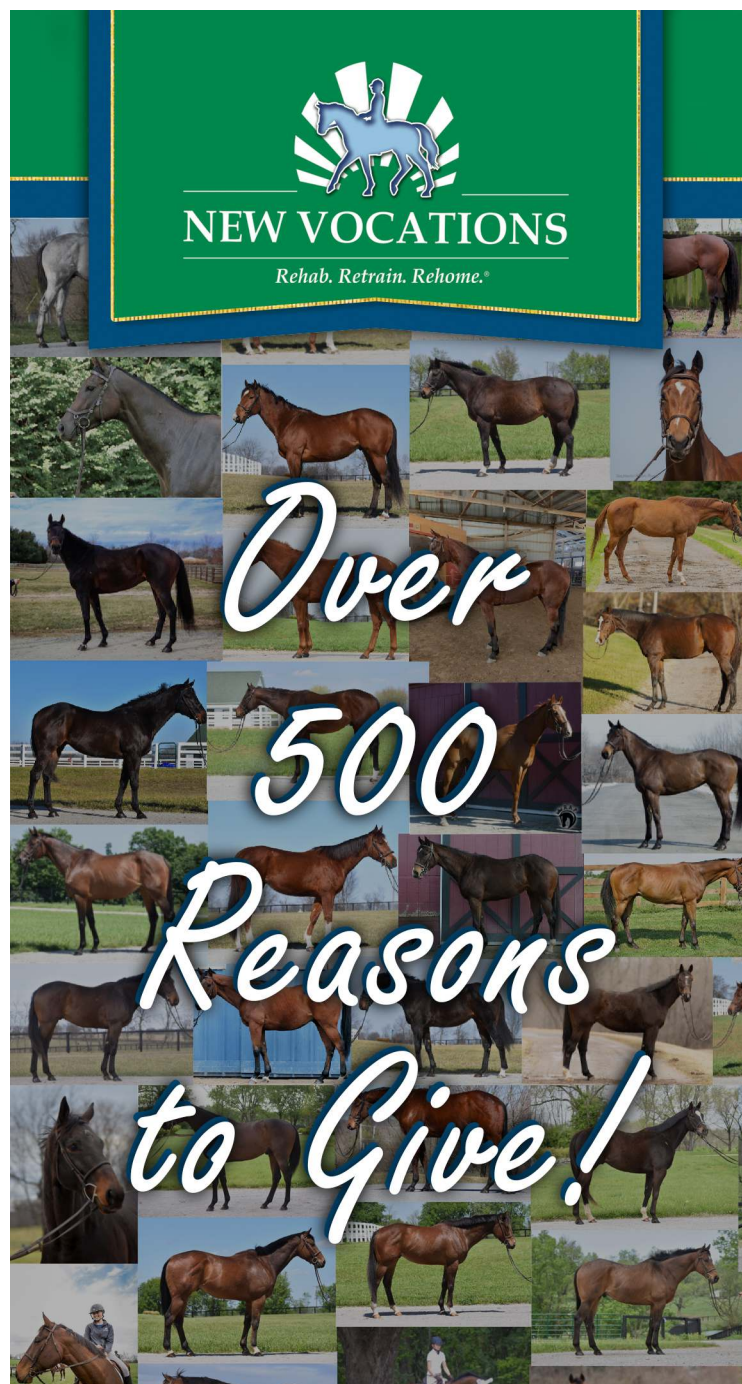
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By Brian Sheerin

Peter Molony is best known for being the man who bought the reigning Champion Hurdler Honeysuckle (GB) (Sulamani {Ire}) on behalf of his client Kenny Alexander. He also works for Sheikh Fahad's Qatar Racing operation, is an agent for Goffs and has had a multitude of top horses through his hands at Rathmore Stud. That may be why the Limerick native signs off on his Twitter bio with the word 'busy'!

Son of the legendary Martin Molony, widely regarded as the best dual-purpose jockey of all time, Peter is one of the most respected judges in the game.

He opened the gates of Rathmore Stud to TDN Europe this week and revealed why Leopardstown is D-Day for dual Champion Hurdle winner Honeysuckle and explained that retirement would be the preferred option to running in the Mares' Hurdle at Cheltenham for Henry de Bromhead's star.

Molony also shares that, for when Honeysuckle is retired to the paddocks, she will visit Walk In The Park (Ire). He also discussed in great detail his role at Goffs, concerns for the industry, Oisín Murphy's eagerly-anticipated return and much more in this week's Starfield Stud-sponsored Q&A. [Cont. p3](#)

CHAMPION NH SIRE MILAN PASSES AT 24

Classic hero **Milan (GB)** (Sadler's Wells--Kithanga {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB}), died at Grange Stud on Wednesday, Dec. 21, Coolmore announced on Thursday. The 2019/20 Champion National Hunt Sire was 24.

"Milan was a very good-natured horse and will be sadly missed by everyone here," said Catherine Magnier. "He was a wonderful servant providing top class horses year in year out."

Bred by Fittocks Stud, Milan was bought by Demi O'Byrne for 650,000gns as a yearling at Tattersalls in 1999, and joined Aidan O'Brien's yard. Racing for Michael Tabor, he won his only start at the Curragh at two in 2000, and was third in the 2001 G1 Prix Lupin in his second appearance at three. Back on top in the G2 Great Voltigeur S. at York three starts later, the son of G3 St. Simon S. heroine Kithanga was a five-length winner of Doncaster's G1 St. Leger next out. [Cont. p10](#)

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

GRASSLEY AMENDMENT FAILS; HISA 'FIX' LANGUAGE IN OMNIBUS BILL

The Senate has passed a version of the full year-end omnibus spending bill with language affording the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) more rule-making authority in HISA, according to sources from the National HBPA..

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Goffs Chairman Eimear Mulhern presents Goffs Group CEO Henry Beeby with a commemorative picture which celebrates his 40 years with Goffs and Goffs UK (formerly DBS), 16 of which have been spent at Kildare Paddocks. | Goffs

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Tweenhills and Qatar Racing hosted takeaway vans at the Tattersalls December Foal and Mare Sales to raise money for Racing Welfare.

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The TDN's own Alayna Cullen is the subject of the latest installment of the 12 Questions series.

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Nominations are now open for the 2023 edition of the Dubai World Cup night meeting.

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Brian Sheerin: With your Rathmore Stud hat on, how do you reflect on 2022?

Peter Molony: It was a great year for us. The first big sale was the Land Rover and our horses sold really well there. We'd a good Milan (GB) filly of our own who sold well. We gave 50 grand for her as a foal and we got 150 grand for her at the Land Rover, so that was lovely. The yearlings sold well as well and, considering what's happening in the world, the market held up really well--especially for the quality horses. We were lucky enough to breed a nice winner last year, Wren's Breath (Ire) (Elzaam {Aus}), who Henry [de Bromhead] trained for us. We'd a half-sister to her at the Orby by Zoustar (Aus) and she made 300 grand, which was phenomenal. She is a beautiful filly. Our pinhooks went quite well this year so we got stuck in again in November. But, as I said, the market was quite strong so it was hard to buy the ones you wanted.

BS: Any air of trepidation about getting stuck in again? This was a phenomenal year but some people are worried that we might feel a bite in 2023.

PM: We've had a few very good years with the pinhooking on the Flat. We decided that we'd step off the beaten track a little bit because, when we went in for the big, fancy, obvious foals, we had to give too much for them and we just haven't been lucky with them recently. We bought later foals, a few end of April and even May foals, which pinhookers seem to step away from, but they've done very well for us so we did the same again. We didn't just plough on regardless. We thought about what we were going to do and went for that type of foal again. Hopefully it will work out. On the National Hunt foals, we decided to concentrate a little bit more on quality. John Bleahan is a great friend of mine and we were chatting away recently about what the market is going to look like in the next couple of years and his summarisation was good. He said, 'it's either this or sheep,' in that we don't know anything different, so we may as well keep going at what we know best. **Cont. p4**

Cheers for Churchill

CHURCHILL [2023 fee: €30,000] is way out in front in the sophomore sire standings, and by some considerable margin too, with earnings of £4 million-plus putting him well clear of a chasing pack headed by Zarak [2023 fee: €60,000].

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2	Zarak	4	0	€1,879,796
3	Cotai Glory	2	1	€1,674,261
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Conversations Cont.

BS: The National Hunt market is going through a strange period at the moment. You need to be by Walk In The Park, Blue Bresil (Fr) or one of the good French sires to get well paid. When you were concentrating on the top end, what stallions were you honing in on?

PM: It's very tight. There are only a small number of top-end stallions that people seem to want. We bought a couple of Walk In The Parks (Ire), we could only get our hands on one Blue Bresil (Fr), we got a No Risk At All (Fr) and took a chance on a couple of foals by Order Of St George (Ire)--I really like them, they're really good-looking horses and they seem to have lovely temperaments. But it's a risky time for him as he has a couple of crops ahead and, if they don't work out, it's not ideal. I bought a Soldier Of Fortune (Ire) but didn't give huge money for it and we bought a Maxios (GB) and a Vadamos (Fr), so we have a bit of a spread.

BS: I suppose the best horse you ever bought was outside the box in that she was by Sulamani (Ire).

PM: The difference with her was that she was bought to race. All

of those foals are bought to be sold on. There's a big difference between buying a racehorse and a sales horse which shouldn't make sense but it does. You have to buy what the market is going to want in the future.

BS: And speaking about Honeysuckle (GB), there has been a lot said and written since she lost her unbeaten record but what's your own feeling on the whole thing.

PM: All the ratings people seem to believe it was her best ever run in the Hatton's Grace and normally her first run of the season is always her worst run. I suppose she's getting older and it's going to take a little more to get her ready first time out so, taking everything into account, it was one of her highest-rated runs for her first start of the season so we'd have to be happy. If we weren't protecting an unbeaten run, I think we'd have left Fairyhouse cock-a-hoop with ourselves. We haven't lost faith in her. Leopardstown here we come.

BS: Everyone wants that match between Honeysuckle and **Constitution Hill** (GB) in the Champion Hurdle. Is that still the dream or has the Mares' Hurdle become a more appealing target than it was previously?

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Conversations Cont.

PM: First of all, I think the Mares' Hurdle is getting a bit of a slagging off, which I think is totally unfair. If we didn't have the mares' programme that has been built up over the past 20 years, Honeysuckle probably wouldn't be running right now--she'd be out in a field with a foal at foot somewhere. The amount of top-class mares who have come through the system in the past 10 to 15 years, most of those, if not all of them, would never have hit the track if it wasn't for the mares' programme. I think people are missing the point, to be honest, and I think the mares' programme is hugely important. We got a lot of slagging when we ran Honeysuckle in the Mares' Hurdle first time round but, as it happened, we probably ended up running in the tougher race by taking on Benie Des Dieux (Fr) (Great Pretender {Ire}). People were saying we were ducking the challenge of the Champion Hurdle but we just felt she wasn't quite ready to run over two miles at championship pace and that the two-and-a-half-mile option was better at that stage in her career. Her jumping was a bit slow at that time--she was big and novicey when winning her first Irish Champion Hurdle the time before so we did what was best for her. That will be the same this year.

We will always do what's best for Honeysuckle. That's the number one thing. I suppose I will give you a bit of a scoop here, if we don't think that she is up to running to her best, she probably won't run full stop--she'll be retired. Kenny said that last year, that we were going to give her one more season but, if we don't feel she is up to doing herself justice, she is not going to be risked. She is too important to us. We are not going to risk her. We have to think that she will be up to running to her full ability if she runs again.

BS: Is Leopardstown D-Day in that, if she doesn't run right up to her best, she could be retired?

PM: That is a distinct possibility, yes. It's not about ducking competition. There are three scenarios. Number one is that she runs in the Champion Hurdle, number two is that she is retired and number three is that she goes for the Mares' Hurdle. The least likely scenario is that she would run in the Mares' Hurdle. That's where we are at with her. It's all about Honeysuckle. We are all dreaming and we really want to take on **Constitution Hill**. Nicky Henderson is a great friend and has been a wonderful supporter of mine. We've been slagging each other all summer and nothing would give me more pleasure than going out and beating **Constitution Hill** as I think he is a phenomenal horse. That's what we really want to do. But let's see what the next few weeks bring. Both horses have to get there in one piece.



Honeysuckle & Rachael Blackmore winning their second Champion Hurdle | *Racingfotos.com*

BS: Kenny seems to be a great character. From saying he was extremely confident on *Racing TV* the evening before Honeysuckle won her first Champion Hurdle to being magnanimous in defeat after the Hatton's Grace, he is quite refreshing.

PM: He is genuinely a lovely guy and very down to earth. After Honeysuckle won the Champion Hurdle last season, he led her in with his shirt hanging out and the *Racing Post* rolled under his arm. I think some people had thought that some interloper had run into the winner's enclosure to lead Honeysuckle back in. But that's him--no airs or graces about him. I am very lucky to have met him and to be working for him.

BS: How did that relationship come about?

PM: The first time I met Kenny was at this kitchen table 12 or 14 years ago. He rang David Redvers around the same time Sheikh Fahad got involved. David told him that he was concentrating on the Flat but recommended that he come and visit us here at Rathmore Stud. [Cont. p6](#)

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PM: He told me about his dream to breed top-class National Hunt horses and I told him he was nuts. I advised him to buy foals so at least he'd know what he was getting and therefore he could concentrate on the thing a little bit. The first thing we did was buy two National Hunt foals at the Tattersalls February Sale to pinhook together. We bought a Kalanisi (Ire) and a Flemensfirth.

At the time, we had been buying National Hunt foals to pinhook as yearlings but the National Hunt yearling market fell flat on its face. This was about the time when that happened. They cost 17 grand each and, when we brought them back to the November Sale, we couldn't get what we paid for either of them. Kenny must have been thinking, 'oh my God, what idiot am I after getting involved with?' I told him that we had two lovely horses on our hands but the National Hunt yearling market had gone. We kept them on as 3-year-olds and sold the Kalanisi privately. He paid for himself and the Flemensfirth and went on to be named Champagne Express (GB) for Nicky Henderson. He was a good horse. We brought the Flemensfirth to the Land Rover Sale, I think it was the first year I was working as an agent for Goffs, and he made 130 grand. We sold him again to Nicky Henderson and David Minton, funnily enough, and he turned out to be O O Seven (Ire). From thinking I was an eejit, Kenny must have suddenly thought that I was a genius, but maybe the truth was somewhere in the middle.

For the next few years after that, I was only doing bits and pieces for Kenny and I bought him a mare called Asturienne (GB) (Sleeping Car {Fr}) off Alan King. She was his first broodmare and ended up breeding his first black-type horse, Carrie Des Champs (Ire) (Robin Des Champs {Fr}), and she's also bred Doddiethegreat {Ire} (Fame And Glory {GB}). Typical of Kenny, he named that horse after Doddie Weir and all of his prize money will go towards the Doddie Weir foundation for motor neurone disease.

It was five years ago when I went up to Kenny's box at Cheltenham. I'd noticed he'd started to spend a few quid through different agents, which was all fine, but he wasn't having any success. He'd given a lot of money for a few horses

with no results. There was another bloodstock agent there that day chatting him up. He's actually a friend of mine and I've told him this story since and he laughs about it. But I kind of saw red a bit that day. I just felt that the whole thing was disorganised and that Kenny was going to get cheesed off with the whole thing because he'd things coming at him from every direction. It was just too disorganised.

When that bloodstock agent left the box, I pulled Kenny aside and told him that he needed to get somebody to pull it all together and organise it for him. I can tell you, I was not looking for the job myself because I had Rathmore, Qatar and Goffs to concentrate on. He asked me to do it and, after saying no a good few times, I rang my wife Sarah to see if she thought we could take it on or not, and we decided to give it a go. The following day, I was walking through the Cheltenham enclosure and met Henry and Heather de Bromhead. I invited them up to meet

Kenny and they got on like a house on fire. We bought Sinoria (Ire) (Oscar {Ire}) at the Cheltenham sale that week and then we bought Honeysuckle the following month at the Goffs Punchestown Sale.

BS: It has snowballed, hasn't it?

PM: Yes, and the idea is to concentrate on well-bred National Hunt mares, which is why I had no interest in Honeysuckle initially because I didn't think her pedigree was good enough. The idea is that they go back to Kenny's stud as

broodmares. With those mares, you might have to give a lot of money for them after they win their point-to-point but, if they stand on a nail in the morning, they still have a residual value whereas the geldings don't. There's a certain safety net.

BS: Halka Du Tabert (Fr) (Balko {Fr}) was impressive at Naas on Tuesday and looks another smart recruit for Kenny. What other running plans are there for over Christmas?

PM: She was very good and she'll go to Fairyhouse for the Solerina Mares Novice Hurdle next. We've a nice juvenile hurdler, Gala Marceau (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), who won a listed juvenile hurdle for fillies impressively at Auteuil. She's smart. Gauloise (Fr) (Samum {Ger}) is also back from injury and will hopefully run over the Christmas as well. **Cont. p7**



Rachael Blackmore, Kenny Alexander and Henry de Bromhead
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Conversations Cont.

BS: And you must be sick of re-telling the story of how you came to buy Honeysuckle at this stage.

PM: Our scouts told us about how impressive she was in winning her point-to-point and, I'll have to be honest, I didn't even look at her race. I took one look at her pedigree and didn't think it was good enough. As a Goffs agent, I wanted to show support to the sale so I went down to look at her and she was a big, raw and narrow thing--she was like two boards slapped together. I thought, 'if she could win as impressively as they are all telling me that she won, she must be good.' I went and watched the race and she was unbelievable. I rang Henry and Kenny and told them that maybe we should reconsider her.

BS: Being by Sulamani she could go to any stallion, couldn't she? Have you thought that far ahead or do you want to get her racing career over and done with first?

PM: I have already talked to a stallion master. All you need to do is look at the National Hunt sales to figure out who she will be going to see. She's booked in to Walk In The Park, all going well. That's the plan.

BS: And what about Henry's role in the whole thing? I know that you are very close with him.

PM: I can remember the first time I met Henry and it's probably not far off 40 years ago when we were in school. I was in fifth year and I think he was in first year. I can remember that he had a pudding bowl haircut! I remember him because he was a de Bromhead and we all knew his father Harry as being a successful trainer. Henry was a cheeky little pup! We've always been friendly and, I've said before, great horses bring people together and between Honeysuckle, Sinoria, Minella Melody (Ire) (Flemensfirth), we've had huge success with the de Bromheads and have become closer and closer with them and the kids down through the years. They are such a lovely family. They are phenomenally strong people. I am full of admiration for them.

BS: What will the next few months entail with a view towards the Land Rover? A lot of work has gone into that sale in the last number of years and it's amazing how much the quality has risen as a result.

PM: There is a great team at Goffs and everyone is really enthusiastic. The first thing we did was target the horses. The year we sold O O Seven, we also had Tombstone (Ire) (Robin Des Champs {Fr}) in our draft and a lot of people at the time were asking me why I didn't have them in the Derby Sale. My attitude was, Eddie O'Leary, David Minton and Nicky Henderson were all at Goffs, so why would I need to go anywhere else. John Bleahan and I had a horse four or five years prior to that, Virginia Preuil (Fr) (Saint Preuil {Fr}), and we got €120,000 for him at the Land Rover. I think he was the first ever National

Hunt store to make €100,000 or more at Goffs. So I had confidence that, if you had the right horse at Goffs, you were going to get well-paid for it. It took seven or eight years but slowly the confidence in the sale began to grow and people started to send better horses. The marketing team does a great job at getting the trainers and the agents in and the momentum has really grown.

BS: And obviously a huge amount of work went on behind the scenes to attract the American buyers to

Goffs for the Orby and it told with the record-breaking trade. Could you see that sale developing further?

PM: A couple of years have passed since the Orby debacle at Doncaster and it was a debacle, it was an absolute disaster and nobody is denying that, so there was a lot of soul searching after it. A lot of Irish vendors were really good to us the following year and brought some lovely horses to the Orby to help revitalise it and it worked. It worked really well. This year was a step up again. The one thing people will say to you, and they said it when we were trying to build the Land Rover, is that traditionally, all the best horses have been sold at the Derby Sale or that, throughout history, all the best yearlings have been sold at Newmarket. My question is why? If the horses are in the Orby well then the buyers will come. [Cont. p8](#)



Halka Du Tabert and Jack Kennedy won a maiden hurdle at Naas on Tuesday
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Conversations Cont.

PM: It's an awful shame that millions of euros worth of yearlings pass the door at Goffs on their way up to the ferry every year. I believe there's no need for that. Since I have joined Goffs, I've sold everything there--at the Orby, Sportsman's and the Land Rover.

BS: The Goffs Million was reintroduced this year and I think people recognised that. Is there anything else in the pipeline or do you think they are gimmicks?

PM: I think gimmick would be an unfair word and those incentives are needed. Thinking outside the box is needed. Henry Beeby is such an enthusiast and such a hard worker. He's passionate about the whole game and is desperate to get the Orby where it should be. I've no doubt that there's going to be a lot thrown at the sale over the next five years.

BS: If you were to think big, look at how well a race like The Everest has been received in Australia. I'm not saying something like that would work here but I do think there's a bit of a disconnect between racing and bloodstock and the more we can fill in those blanks, it has to have a huge upside

for the industry.

PM: Absolutely. When you mention Australia, I think that is where we need to look towards. I know they have a different funding model but one man I hugely admire, and what he did for Magic Millions and how they caught up on Inglis, is Gerry Harvey. He's done something that should be admired hugely and maybe even mimicked.

BS: And how do you view the future of Irish racing?

PM: With the way society is going and with the demonisation of gambling from certain sections, I think we need to be looking at different ways of funding the industry. I'm not sure if I am bright enough to figure it out but I think racecourses--with notable exceptions--are relying a little too much on media rights and not working hard enough on getting people through the turnstiles. There were suggestions that there might be racing behind closed doors in Britain not too long ago because it would be easier on the racecourse in question not to employ staff etc for punters on the track. I asked the question recently about what the GAA's main revenue stream was. It's people through the turnstiles. That's something we need to work on big time. [Cont. p9](#)



Ocean Road captures the GI Gamely S. at Santa Anita in May | Benoit Photo

"He was gifted and was still riding 2-year-olds for me here when he was 75. People used to say to me that I was nuts to put him up but the answer was that he was much less likely to get a fall than anyone else. I think he was a horse whisperer. What he could do was phenomenal."

Peter Molony discussing his father Martin

Conversations Cont.

PM: If you look at Australia and the crowds that go racing and the atmosphere they can generate on course, I think it's something we need to try and emulate. The racetracks really need to work on this. I've a very good friend who doesn't have anything to do with racing and he asked me recently if our industry was totally reliant on gambling. When I told him it was, he made an interesting face, and that's the way society is going so we need to be aware of that. We really need to be actively thinking about different ways of funding the industry.

BS: And speaking about international jurisdictions, Sheikh Fahad has had heightened success in America this year.

PM: Fergus Galvin and Adrian Regan in Hunter Valley Farm have done a wonderful job. Sheikh Fahad has done a good bit of trading there recently as well. The likes of Ocean Road (Ire) (Australia {GB}), who was a high-class filly in England but goes over there and wins a Grade I. The prize-money over there is phenomenal and, when you win your Grade I over there, you can see what they are worth. She made \$1.6 million at the sales. It's hard to argue with that model.

BS: And closer to home, can you tell me a bit more about Rathmore Stud? There is great history to this place.

PM: Apparently the first mention of us here is back in 1682--so we've been here a while! My grandfather William trained a couple himself. He'd a good horse Hill Of Camas and another

called Timber Wolf, who I think won a Galway Plate. My grandmother owned Knight's Crest who my father rode to win the Irish Grand National when he was just 16 years' old. That was his first major win as a jockey. So there was Martin, my father, and his brother Tim, who won four Champion Hurdles in a row and I'm pretty certain he's the only person to have done that. He was crowned champion jockey five times in England and was actually left this place but decided to move to England and sold it to my father.

BS: Martin was arguably the greatest dual-purpose jockey of all time.

PM: He had already retired 13 or 14 years by the time I was born. He was only 26 when he retired and we couldn't really appreciate all that he achieved in the saddle but we certainly saw it here at home. He was gifted and was still riding 2-year-olds for me here when he was 75. People used to say to me that I was nuts to put him up but the answer was that he was much less likely to get a fall than anyone else. I think he was a horse whisperer. What he could do was phenomenal. The likes of Paul Carberry and Ruby Walsh, they have something, it's a gift. Horses just relax for them. You'd put my father up, aged 75, on a 2-year-old who'd been bucking and kicking and, as soon as he'd sit up on him, the horse would just relax. It was phenomenal to watch. He used to drive us mad as kids. He'd send us out to get a horse from the field and we'd be running around for an hour trying to catch it. He'd come out and, next thing, the horse would walk over to him. It used to drive us bonkers! He wasn't very generous with his talent--he didn't pass it on! [Cont. p10](#)



Oisín Murphy | [Racingfotos.com](#)

Conversations Cont.

BS: I suppose we're seeing something similar with Rachael Blackmore in that horses seem to just run for her.

PM: When Rachael rode Honeysuckle to win the Grade 1 novice hurdle at Fairyhouse, Richard Pugh came up to me and told me that, in his reckoning, she was the first lightweight jockey to be as successful over jumps as my father was. Horses are so balanced under her and she's got a phenomenal tactical brain. I can't really compare her to my father because I never saw him ride in a race.

BS: Speaking of jockeys, a certain Oisin Murphy is back next year.

PM: Listen, he's a brilliant rider. He's stayed here a few times this year and we've gone around looking at breeze-up horses together and things like that. Please God he can keep on the straight and narrow and realise his full potential because he's a wonderful rider. He's seriously gifted.

BS: That famous Kieran Fallon anecdote from an interview with David Walsh comes to mind. He described Pat Smullen as being "the person who gives his whole life to the job to the best of his ability," before adding, "no distractions. Great professionalism. I don't know how they do it. I've had my quirks. Pat has had his tractors."

PM: Oisin is not alone in that a lot of supremely talented people, be that riders, footballers, musicians, actors, whatever, seem to have a bit of a kink. My father certainly had one. He was incredibly religious. It's about channeling their talent as best they can. Sheikh Fahad, David Redvers and Andrew Balding, they've all been unbelievably patient with him and he's got a great support team. It's up to him now to make the most of it.

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Milan | Coolmore

Covering mares at Grange Stud beginning in 2004, Milan left Champion Hurdle hero Jezki (Ire), and Christmas Hurdle winner Darlan (GB). His top chasers are legion and include Santini (GB), Monalee (Ire), Apache Stronghold (Ire), and 2017 G3 Grand National scorer One For Arthur (Ire) among others. Milan's daughter Marie's Rock (Ire) starred in March's G1 Mares' Hurdle at Cheltenham and backed that effort up with another top-level score in the Coolmore Kew Gardens Irish EBF Mares Champion Hurdle at Punchestown this April. Of his 105 black-type performers, he sired 38 graded winners in the National Hunt sphere.

From the extended family of dual Derby hero Kahyasi (Ire) (Ile De Bourbon), several of Milan's daughters are black-type producers, with Coney Island (Ire) (Flemensfirth) and Skyace (Ire) (Westerner {GB}) both Grade 1 winners, the former over fences and the latter over hurdles.

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Tweenhills and Qatar Racing once again hosted the Tweenhills Angus Burger and Tweenhills Coffee vans at the Tattersalls December Sales to raise money for Racing Welfare. The vans raised £8,500, which was donated to the charity.

"We are delighted to be able to support Racing Welfare in these incredibly challenging times and wish to thank everyone for their custom," David Redvers, owner and managing director of Tweenhills, said. "Tweenhills Angus Beef is produced from the grass-fed herd of cattle reared at Tweenhills alongside the stallions, mares and foals, and is expertly prepared by our local butcher." [Cont. p11](#)

EUROPEAN NEWS

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Unplaced in Sakhee (Bahri)'s G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the half-brother to fellow St. Simon S. heroine Koora (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) was second to Fantastic Light (Rahy) in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf at Belmont in October. Injured in his lone start at four, he was retired with a mark of 10-3-2-1 and \$991,814 in earnings.



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Twenehills Takeaway Vans Cont.

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12 QUESTIONS

With Alayna Cullen, Marketing Manager TDN

What was your first job in the Thoroughbred industry?

Runner at Middlelane Farm.

The biggest influence on your career?

That would have to be my grandparents and three aunts.

Favourite racehorse of all time, and why?

Wigmore Hall. He was a proper character and whenever he is brought up in conversation there is a warmth in the memories shared.

Who will be champion first-season sire in 2023?

Hard one to call but I think Too Darn Hot. I was impressed with a lot of the stock by first-season sires at the yearling sales so I think it will be an interesting year.

Greatest race in the world?

The Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. We have been so lucky to have witnessed the last few years' renewals in particular.

If you could be someone else in the industry for a day who would it be, and why?

This is tricky as there are many people I would love to get an insight on but I'll go with John Gosden. If only to find out what is really going on in his head when he wins a Group 1 because he is quite the picture of tranquility on the outside.

Emerging talent in the industry (human)?

Alex and Shane Power of Tradewinds Stud.

Horse *TDN* should have made a Rising Star, and didn't?

To be fair the team don't miss many but The Platinum Queen.

Under-the-radar stallion?

Australia.

Friday night treat?

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Alayna Cullen

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Newmarket Kebab.

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Thursday's Results:

4th-Lingfield, £6,800, Nov, 12-22, 2yo, 10f (AWT), 2:06.56, st.
NAZYMBEK (FR) (c, 2, Kingman {GB}--Nazym {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) broke smartly to gain an early lead and was reined back to stalk the pace along the rail in third after the initial skirmishes of this debut. Shaken up off the home turn, the 4-6 favourite quickened in stylish fashion to regain control with 150 yards remaining and surged clear in the closing stages to defeat Muir Wood (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) by an easy 2 3/4 lengths. Nazymbek is the fifth foal and winner produced by an unraced sibling of G1 Fillies' Mile heroine Listen (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Moyglare Stud S. victrix Sequoyah (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). The January-foaled homebred bay is a full-brother to G3 Musidora S.victrix Nausha (GB) and a half to G3 March S. runner-up Nagano (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and a yearling colt by Siyouni (Fr). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,437.

O-Nurlan Bizakov; B-SAS Sumbe (FR); T-Roger Varian.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

3rd-Lingfield, £6,800, Nov, 12-22, 2yo, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:24.55, st.
NEW DEFINITION (GB) (c, 2, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Second Generation {GB} {SW-Fr}, by Dawn Approach {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-2-5-1, \$31,971. O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-James Tate.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Paris Lights (Ire), g, 3, Siyouni (Fr)--Cabaret (Ire) (GSW-Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Lingfield, 12-22, 10f (AWT), 2:06.37. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$7,593. B-Woodnook Farm Pty Ltd (IRE). *650,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT; 60,000gns 3yo '22 TATJUL. **Full to St Mark's Basilica (Fr), MG1SW-Eng & Fr, G1SW-Ire, \$2,965,423; and 1/2 to Magna Grecia (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), MG1SW-Eng, \$597,769.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Deauville, €34,000, Cond, 12-22, 2yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.00, st.

AXDALIVA (FR) (f, 2, Elusive City--Key Success {Ire}, by Kodiak {GB}) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 10-3-3-1, €80,440. O-Mandalore Racing Stable SAS, Jean-Claude Peuset, Normandie Breeding, Yann Barberot, Passion & Dream, Daniel Jacob Weissmann, Jean-Patrick Vitse, Mme Corine Moreux & Philip Prevost Baratte; B-Mme Camille Vitse, Guillaume Vitse & Yann Barberot (FR); T-Yann Barberot. *1/2 to Axdavali (Fr) (Goken {Fr}), MGSP-Fr, \$217,125.

**IN HONG KONG:**

Nordic Dragon (Ire), g, 3, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Rely On Me (Ire), by Kyllachy (GB). Happy Valley, 12-21, Hcp. (C3), 1200mT, 1:08.96. B-E Smith & Cloneymore Farm. *€88,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; £130,000 Ylg '20 GOFORB; \$891,863 HRA '22 HKJUL. **VIDEO**

IN AUSTRALIA:

Fretta (GB), f, 2, Frankel (GB)--Alderry (SAf) (GSW & GISP-SAf, \$110,108), by Al Mufti. Sandown (Lakeside), 12-21, Maiden, 1500mT, 1:30.63. B-Essafinaat UK Ltd. *1ST-TIME STARTER. **1/2 to Al Sahem (SAf) (Silvano {Ger}), GISW-SAf, \$250,87; and Al Mutawakel (SAf) (Silvano {Ger}), GISP-SAf. ***220,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT.

Allegedly (Fr), g, 3, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Hug (Ire), by Dark Angel (Ire). Wangaratta, 12-22, Maiden, 1600mT, 1:38.14. B-Frank McNulty. *47,000gns Wlg '19 TATDEF; 90,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT.

IN QATAR:

Sowardmanchester (GB), c, 2, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--Queen's Harbour (GB) (MSP-Ger), by Harbour Watch (Ire). Al Rayyan, 12-22, Maiden, 1600mT, 1:36.51. B-Blue Diamond Stud Farm (UK) Ltd. *25,000gns Ylg '21 TATSEP; £30,000 2yo '22 GOFAPR. **VIDEO (SC 7)**

Mystical Music (GB), g, 3, Al Kazeem (GB)--Midnight Dance (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Al Rayyan, 12-21, Hcp., 1200m, 1:11.33. B-Littleton Stud. *32,000gns HRA '21 TATAUT.

VIDEO (SC 6)

WORLDWIDE NEWS

NOMINATIONS FOR DUBAI WORLD CUP CARNIVAL OPEN

Nominations are now open for the 2023 edition of the Dubai World Cup meeting, set for Saturday, Mar. 25 at Meydan Racecourse. Celebrating its 27th anniversary this year, the Dubai World Cup will offer \$30.5 million in purses across eight stakes races.

In addition to the \$6-million 2000-metre main event, supporting races include the G1 Longines Dubai Sheema Classic at 2400 metres; the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen set at 1200 metres on dirt; the G1 Al Quoz Sprint over 1200 metres on turf; the 3200-metre G2 Dubai Gold Cup on turf; 1900 metre G2 UAE Derby, which also offers 100 GI Kentucky Derby qualifying points to the winner; G2 Godolphin Mile offered at 1600metres on dirt; and the G1 Dubai Kahayla Classic for Purebred Arabians, over 2000 metres on dirt.

“As ever, we are so excited about welcoming the best horses, jockeys and trainers back to Meydan Racecourse for the Dubai World Cup meeting, which is one of the ‘must do’ events on the global sporting calendar,” Major General Mohammed Essa Al Adhab, General Manager of Dubai Racing Club, said. “The 2022 edition was a thrilling event and we feel sure that 2023 will surpass that and give racing fans memories and connections to last a lifetime.”

Nominations for the Dubai World Cup meeting are free, but close on Monday, Jan. 23. For more information please visit the [Dubai Racing Club website](#).

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DUBAI

Thursday's Result:

ABU DHABI CHAMPIONSHIP THOROUGHBRED-Listed, AED380,000, Abu Dhabi, 12-22, NH 3yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 2200mT, 2:16.68, gd.

1--WICKYWICKYWHEELS (IRE), 121, f, 4, The Carbon Unit--Advertising Space (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-James Mearns Long. B-Thistle Bloodstock, Ltd. (Ire). T-Bhupat Seemar. J-T. O'Shea. AED228,000. Lifetime Record: 14-6-1-1, \$156,525. *1/2 Ralston Road (Ire) (Dylan Thomas


{Ire}), SW-Eng, \$110,731; and a full to Carbon Dating (The Carbon Unit), GSP-UAE & Ire, \$250,861.

2--Away He Goes (Ire), 125, g, 6, Farhh (GB)--Island Babe, by Kingmambo. (75,000gns Ylg '17 TATOCT). O-Khalifa Saeed Sulaiman. B-Rabbah Bloodstock, Ltd. (Ire). T-Ismail Mohammed. AED76,000.

3--New Comedy (Ire), 123, g, 3, Sea The Stars (Ire)--Tearless (GB), by Street Cry (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE. (120,000gns HRA '22 ERASEP). O-Naser Askar. B-Godolphin (Ire). T-Ahmed Al Shemali. AED38,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1HF, 2.

Also Ran: Ursa Minor (Ire), Mordin (Ire), El Patriota (Uru), Violent Justice. **VIDEO.**

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1	Akai Ito (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Miyuki	Nakatake	121
2	Izu Jo No Kiseki (jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	Iwata	Ishizaka	121
3	Boldog Hos (Jpn)	Screen Hero (Jpn)	Fukunaga	Miyamoto	121
4	Aristoteles (Jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	Take	Otonashi	125
5	Geraldina (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Demuro	Saito	121
6	Vela Azul (Jpn)	Eishin Flash (Jpn)	Matsuyama	Watanabe	125
7	Efforia (Jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	T. Yokoyama	Shikato	125
8	Win Mighty (Jpn)	Gold Ship (Jpn)	Wada	Igarashi	121
9	Equinox (Jpn)	Kitasan Black (Jpn)	Lemaire	Kimura	121
10	Justin Palace (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Marquand	Sugiyama	121
11	Last Draft (Jpn)	Novellist (Ire)	Miura	Toda	125
12	Potager (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Yoshida	Tomomichi	125
13	Titleholder (Jpn)	Duramente (Jpn)	K. Yokoyama	Kurita	125
14	Boccherini (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Hamanaka	Ikee	125
15	Breakup (Jpn)	Novellist (Ire)	Tosaki	Kuroiwa	125
16	Deep Bond (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Kawada	Okubo	125

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