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## EARLY VOTING: WITH ECLIPSE BALLOTS OUT IN MID-DECEMBER, WAS TAIBA AT DISADVANTAGE?



**Taiba | Benoit**

*The Week in Review, by Bill Finley*

Eclipse Award ballots were sent out electronically to voters on Dec. 12, with 19 days remaining on the calendar in 2022. That's how it's done. The ballot always lands in your in-box with a few weeks to go in the year.

In a normal year, that's not a problem. Come mid-December there are only a handful of major races left on the calendar and most Eclipse races have been wrapped up by then.

But that wasn't the case in 2022. The GI **Runhappy** Malibu S. at Santa Anita turned into a race that voters had to pay attention to. It included **Taiba** (**Gun Runner**) and a win by him in the Dec. 26 race was something a conscientious voter had to consider before casting his or her vote.

Taiba won the Malibu, giving him three Grade I wins on the year and two more than his main competition for the 3-year-old championship, **Epicenter** (**Not This Time**). Prepared to vote for **Epicenter**, I changed my mind after the Malibu and voted for Taiba.

I did the right thing—I waited. But did everybody? And are there voters out there who would have voted for Taiba and not **Epicenter** had they waited. Might this cost Taiba the Eclipse Award? **Cont. p3**

## ON TO PEGASUS FOR GULFSTREAM STAKES WINNERS

**Skippylongstocking** (Exaggerator) will be aimed at the Jan. 28 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational after his victory in the GIII Harlan's Holiday S. Saturday at Gulfstream, while the Christophe Clement-trained stablemates **City Man** (**Mucho Macho Man**) and **Decorated Invader** (Declaration of War), first and second in the GII Fort Lauderdale S., will now target the Jan. 28 GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational.

Skippylongstocking won the 2022 GIII West Virginia Derby and was third in the GI Belmont S.

"He's getting better and he's filled out so much," trainer Saffie Joseph said. "He exceeds all expectations. I never give him that much credit and he keeps delivering."

Joseph said Skippylongstocking will be joined in the Pegasus by stablemate **O'Connor (Chi)** (Boboman), who finished fourth as the favorite in the Harlan's Holiday. **Cont. p5**

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Decorated Group 1-winning jockey takes aim at a winter stint at Gulfstream Park.



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**A fresh 'start.** Accompanied by Pedro Venegas, *Upstart* weighs in for the new year at Airdrie Stud. | Jocelyn Brooks

## RAIN FORCES CANCELLATION AT SANTA ANITA

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*Steady rain from Saturday night into Sunday morning forced the cancellation of Sunday's card at Santa Anita. The card's featured GIII Santa Ynez S. will be redrawn and will be run next Sunday.*

## TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

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## The Week in Review (cont. from p1)

This is a problem, but it's one that is completely avoidable.

When you receive your ballot, the subject of the late-year races at Santa Anita is addressed.

"It is strongly encouraged that you consider waiting to vote until after the conclusion of the Grade I races Dec. 26 at Santa Anita Park, which are the Malibu S., the La Brea S. and the American Oaks," voters are told. Votes can be received as late as Jan. 3.

All that helps, but why give voters and option to cast their ballots before the year is over?

According to publicist Jim Gluckson, it's not yet known how many people voted in 2022 before the Malibu. In 2021, 13 votes came in before the Dec. 26 races at Santa Anita. In 2020, it was only seven.

That's good news and shows that people are being careful, but even seven votes or 13 votes is seven or 13 too many when you consider how close the **Epicenter**-Taiba vote is likely to be. The fix is obvious. Do not accept any votes until Jan. 1 and then give voters an extra five or six days beyond Jan. 3 to get their votes in. What's the hurry? Get it right.

## Todd Vs. Chad

In the **same column where I threw my support behind Taiba** for the 3-year-old championship, I wrote that Todd Pletcher was the "obvious" choice for the Eclipse Award for leading trainer. Steve Laymon, the co-owner of GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint winner and Chad Brown-trainee **Goodnight Olive** (**Ghostzapper**), emailed to say he thought that Pletcher was anything but a no-brainer for the award and that Brown deserved consideration. He's right.

In several relevant categories, Brown's numbers are better than Pletcher's. He had more winners (244-223), more stakes winners (51-36) and more Grade I winners (18-17). Brown's stable had earnings of \$31,057,362, while Pletcher bankrolled \$30,482,937. Brown won with 26% of his starters, while Pletcher won with 22%.

Nonetheless, I still feel Pletcher deserves the title, based largely on the fact that he will have trained three champions in 2022 in **Nest** (**Curlin**), **Malathaat** (**Curlin**) and **Forte** (**Violence**). That's a phenomenal, Eclipse Award-worthy feat. Goodnight Olive will be the champion and a Brown-trained horse may win in the filly and mare turf category. At best, he can get two. Pletcher also deserves a lot of points for finishing one-two in the GI Belmont S.

Two great trainers and two great years. But the edge goes to Pletcher.

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## GRADE 1-WINNING 2YO

1<sup>st</sup> **Champagne Stakes-Gr.1**, 1m, Belmont Park, by **4 lengths**  
1<sup>st</sup> **MSW**, 6½f, Saratoga, on debut by **4¼ lengths**

## CLASSIC-WINNING 3YO

1<sup>st</sup> **Belmont Stakes-Gr.1**, 1¼m, Belmont Park, by **3¾ lengths**  
1<sup>st</sup> **Florida Derby-Gr.1**, 1¼m, Gulfstream Park, by **4¼ lengths**  
1<sup>st</sup> **Travers Stakes-Gr.1**, 1¼m, Saratoga, by **5½ lengths**  
1<sup>st</sup> **Holy Bull Stakes-Gr.3**, 1¼m, Gulfstream Park, by **3 lengths**  
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## Has Gmax Fixed All the Bugs?

It was announced last week that Trakus, which debuted in 2006, is shutting down. The company that operated the timing and tracking system revealed that it was losing money and that the time had come to pull the plug. Trakus went a long way toward bringing the timing of races out of the dark ages and it will be missed.

But perhaps the biggest issue is that, with Trakus no longer an option, more and more tracks will convert to Gmax. Gmax is the timing system that is operated by Equibase, a subsidiary of The Jockey Club, and competed with Trakus for business. That could be a problem.

Since Gmax came on the scene in 2018, it has been plagued by problems and there have been numerous instances at several tracks where the final times of races were inaccurate. In a sport where bettors rely heavily on how fast races were run and speed figures that is unacceptable. Worse yet, it was inconceivable that in 2022 and with all the technology out there, horse racing couldn't figure out a way to accurately time its races.

Fortunately, it appears that Equibase has figured out how to solve what had been the most pressing issue, getting the times right when it comes to the final time of a race. Randy Moss, whose many duties in the industry include his work with the Beyer speed figure team, has been an outspoken critic of Gmax and has pressed The Jockey Club to fix what has been broken. Moss said that the Gmax timing system now includes a wireless beam that is used in conjunction with the GPS technology to record the final times. The new system is working, and Moss said he no longer finds any serious problems when it comes to getting the final times of the races right at Gmax tracks.

However, according to Moss, The Jockey Club has yet to address the issue of fractional times. He says that inaccuracies in this area are still a frequent problem.

"We've seen many races where the fractions are off by two-fifths or three-fifths of a second," he said. "There is a difference between :21.80 and :22.15. To handicappers, that's a big difference. Some fractions are reasonably accurate and it varies from race to race. But it is a problem."

Moss said that the reported fractions in the 2021 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff and the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, run at Del Mar and timed with Gmax, were not correct.

"At Del Mar for the Breeders' Cup, they had converted to the hybrid beams, so the final times were good," he said. "At the same time, some of the fractional times were not. Remember how incredibly fast the fractions were for the Distaff? They were off by two to three-fifths of a second. The pace was still extremely fast, but it wasn't as fast as the posted times."

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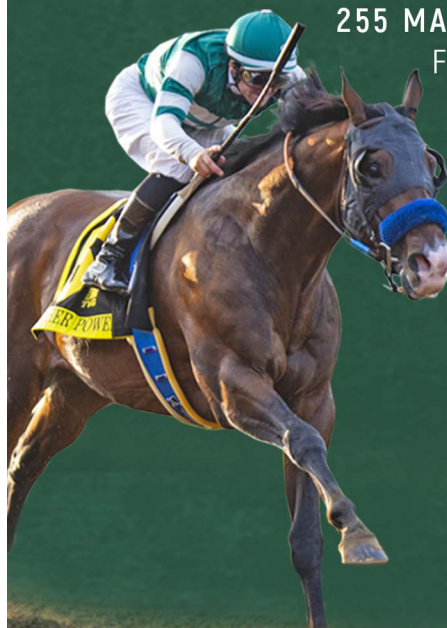
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Moss continued, "The same thing with the Classic. People were wondering how **Knicks Go** could run that fast and still hang on. He didn't run as fast as the fractional times that were posted."

Moss said he has been told that The Jockey Club is aware of the problem and is experimenting with using wireless beams to record fractional times. That would be a needed step in the right direction and can't happen soon enough.

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## On to Pegasus for Gulfstream Stakes

### Winners (cont. fromp 1)

"He wears glue-on shoes and they actually separated where one shoe was half on and half off," Joseph said of the Chilean Group 1 winner's trip in the Harlan's Holiday. "I think that could have been a hinderance. I'd rather lose a shoe than have one half on and half off."

Also expected to move on to the Pegasus are Harlan's Holiday runner-up **Pioneer of Medina** (Pioneerof the Nile) and third-place finisher **Simplification** (**Not This Time**).

Reeves Thoroughbred Racing and Peter and Patty Searles's City Man got a patient ride from jockey Joel Rosario to find room inside late and surged to a 1 1/2-length victory, while West Point Thoroughbreds, William Freeman, William Sandbrook and Cheryl Manning's Decorated Invader emerged from a three-way photo to get second by a neck.

"The two horses came back in good shape and looked good to me this morning," Clement said Sunday. "We'll speak to the owners, but the idea would be to train them for the Pegasus."



City Man | Nichole Thomas

The 6-year-old City Man won the GIII Forbidden Apple S. at Saratoga last July and was second in the GIII Bernard Baruch H. before winning a pair of New York-bred stakes in the fall.



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"He had some very good races [last] year and we just hope we can keep his form for one more race," Clement said. "The idea is to run in the Pegasus then we'll pull the plug, send him to Ocala and give him a break afterward."

Co-owner Dean Reeves, who also campaigned City Man's GI Breeders' Cup Classic-winning sire, was excited about City Man's performance.

"We were thrilled. It's just such a satisfying win and I'm just so proud of City Man and of course his stallion," he said. "It's a double win for me."

A three-time graded stakes winner, Decorated Invader had to overcome drawing the outermost post in a full field of 12 in the Fort Lauderdale, but was put into contention right away by jockey Tyler Gaffalione, pressing 34-1 longshot pacesetter Winfromwithin and was still there at the end.

"I thought he ran very well because he had the terrible post. It was very encouraging. Let's not forget he was a very nice 2-year-old. It took me a while to get his form back, but I loved the race yesterday," Clement said. "As long as both horses are doing well and training well, hopefully we'll be able to run them in the Pegasus."

Trainer Todd Pletcher said **Colonel Liam** ([Liam's Map](#)) would remain under consideration for the Pegasus Turf following his sixth-place finish as the favorite in the Fort Lauderdale. Colonel

Liam, who won the Pegasus Turf in 2021 and 2022, was making his first start Saturday since running ninth in the G1 Dubai Turf last March.

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## RAIN KO'S SANTA ANITA RACES SUNDAY

Santa Anita was forced to cancel its New Year's Day racing card Sunday as steady rain soaked the Southern California area throughout Saturday night and into early Sunday morning. The rain began as a light drizzle Saturday morning, but increased in strength throughout the completion of the program, continuing throughout the night.

The holiday card's expected feature, the GIII Santa Ynez S., will be run next Sunday. Santa Anita Director of Racing Chris Merz said entries will be reopened and the field will be drawn on Thursday. The Santa Ynez will share the spotlight next Sunday with the GIII Sham S.

Four of Sunday's overnight races that were canceled--races three, five, six and eight--will be brought back as "extras" for Friday's card, which was drawn Sunday. According to Merz, with another substantial rainstorm forecast to hit the area midweek, there will likely be no turf racing Friday.

"We're probably going to be stuck with another all-dirt card," Merz said.



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Racing is expected to resume at the Arcadia oval Monday with 10 races and a first post at noon. Merz expects both the main track and training track to be open for training Monday after both were closed Sunday.

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## MANDY LYNN DELAHOUSSEY, DAUGHTER OF EDDIE D, PASSES AT 47

Mandy Lynn Delahoussaye, daughter of retired Hall of Fame jockey Eddie Delahoussaye and his wife Juanita, succumbed to a series of ailments this past Friday at age 47. Mandy, whose aunt, Rose Ann Delahoussaye, was her primary nanny and “Second Momma,” was known to racegoers at Santa Anita, Hollywood Park and Del Mar, as she often accompanied her family prior to moving to Louisiana from Arcadia in 2014.

“Mandy was an Angel sent from God to show us the world through her precious, innocent eyes,” reads an obituary posted by her family at [www.mourning.com](http://www.mourning.com). “When asked, ‘Mandy, who you betting on?’ She would reply, ‘Eddie D!’ Mandy loved to bowl, Cajun dance, loved country music and chocolate chip cookies. She could have eaten shrimp every which way, every meal, every day. Mandy loved Christmas and Halloween and anything that involved cake. She loved Lucy, Golden Girls, Little House on the Prairie and last but not least, Everybody Loves Raymond. She will be missed by all who knew her and were blessed to see her smile. Rings on her fingers, bells on her toes, she shall have music wherever she goes.”

Mandy Delahoussaye is survived by family that includes her parents, brother Loren and aunt Rose Ann, as well as longtime close friends Dot and Ray Sibille. Memorial services are scheduled for Wednesday at Martin & Castille Funeral Home in Lafayette at 1 p.m. CT.

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## GONZALEZ, TOLEDO REPEAT AS MARYLAND CHAMPIONS in 2022

Claudio Gonzalez and Jevian Toledo both enjoyed career highs as they defended their titles as the Maryland Jockey Club's leading trainer and jockey, respectively, in 2022.

Gonzalez, a 46-year-old cancer survivor from Chile, finished with 74 wins at Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course to edge Brittany Russell and Jamie Ness, who tied for second with 73 wins apiece.

It marked the sixth consecutive year that Gonzalez has led the Maryland standings, averaging 101 wins per season. He captured Laurel's winter stand to open 2022, his 19th individual meet title in Maryland.

"It feels very good. Like I always say, it's not easy and now six years in a row, it's even tougher. I never thought we'd be able to do something like that," Gonzalez said. "When we won the first year, I was happy for myself and all my people, all my workers, and every year they continue.



Jevian Toledo and Claudio Gonzalez | *Jim McCue photo*

They're very consistent, working very hard, everybody."

Horses trained by Gonzalez bankrolled \$5,626,781 in 2022, the sixth straight year he has seen an increase in seasonal purse earnings. He finished with 162 wins overall, second only to the 174 he won in 2019.

Gonzalez branched out in 2022 with a string at Monmouth Park during the summer as well as a year-round presence at Gulfstream Park in South Florida. He won the Monmouth title with 32 wins and was second with \$1.3 million in purses earned, and went 31-for-167 (19%) at Gulfstream.

"My goal is to try and do the same this year, but it gets tougher and tougher every year," Gonzalez said. "The competition is so hard

everywhere, but we're going to continue working hard and see what happens."

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Toledo, 28, won 145 races at Laurel and Pimlico for his fourth overall Maryland championship following 2015, 2017 and 2021, also banking a state-high \$5,668,927. Jeiron Barbosa, a leading contender for the Eclipse Award as champion apprentice of 2022, was second with 107 wins.

Over the final three days of Laurel's calendar year-ending fall meet, Toledo registered seven wins, including a four-win day Dec. 30 and a double Dec. 31 that enabled him to finish with a career-best 188 wins. He also reached a personal high with more than \$7.7 million in purse earnings.

"It was a fabulous year, the best year of my career, for sure," Toledo said. "Amazing, man. I have to thank God. He's the one that keeps us here, and I'm just very grateful for all the opportunities I get from all the owners and trainers and all the staff, the grooms and exercise riders, and the horses, as well. They do all the work."

Toledo led Laurel's 2022 winter meet standings in wins and tied for first at Laurel summer, and earned his first Pimlico crown during the spring Preakness Meet, giving him 10 individual meet titles in Maryland.

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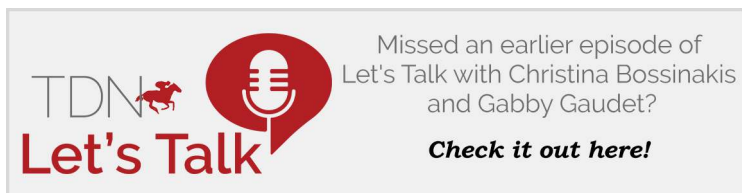
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1	Burgoo Alley (Ire)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Agave Racing Stable & Living The Dream Stables	D'Amato	Prat	124
2	Freedom Flyer 	Constitution	Marsha Naify	Powell	Dettori	120
3	Lady Edith	Street Boss	Abbondanza Racing, LLC and Aldabbagh, Omar	D'Amato	Velazquez	122
4	Lady Jae	Big Drama	82 Highlanders and Simonovich, Melvin	Barocio	Curatolo	120
5	Brooke Marie 	Lemon Drop Kid	Castleton Lyons	Kenneally	Hernandez	124
6	Amy C (GB)	Charming Thought (GB)	Madaket Stables, Dubb, Michael & LaPenta, Robert V	D'Amato	Rispoli	122
7	Royal Address (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Marsha Naify	Drysdale	Bravo	122
8	Countess Rosina (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Mullins	Berrios	120

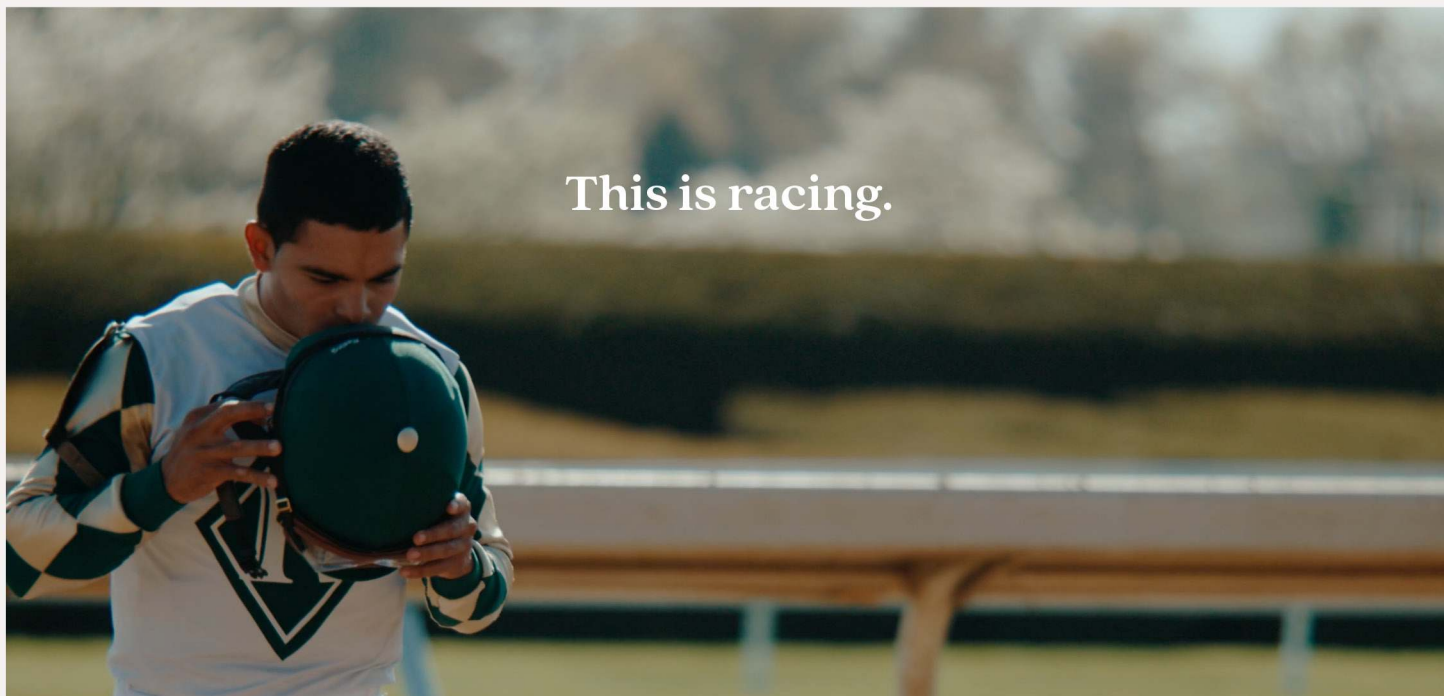
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**SMARTY JONES S.**, \$250,000, Oaklawn, 1-1, 3yo, 1m, 1:38.14, ft.

1--**VICTORY FORMATION**, 119, c, 3, by **Tapwrit**

1st Dam: **Smart N Soft**, by **Smart Strike**

2nd Dam: **Softly**, by **Binalong**

3rd Dam: **Coragil**, by **Metfield**

(\$100,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '21 FTKJUL;

\$340,000 2yo '22 EASMA). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.**

'**TDN Rising Star**'. O-Spendthrift Farm LLC & Frank Fletcher

Racing Operations, Inc.; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY);

T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. \$152,750. Lifetime Record:

3-3-0-0, \$282,285. \*1/2 to Bellamore (Empire Maker), GISP,

\$284,040.



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2--**Angel of Empire**, 118, c, 3, **Classic Empire**--Armony's Angel,

by To Honor and Serve. (\$32,000 RNA Wlg '20 KEENOV;

\$70,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Albaugh Family

Stables LLC; B-Forgotten Land Investment Inc & Black Diamond Equine Corp (PA); T-Brad H. Cox. \$47,000.

3--**Denington**, 118, c, 3, **Gun Runner**--Stronger Than Ever, by

Congrats. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Fern Circle Stables and

Magdalena Racing (Sherri McPeck) (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeck.

\$23,500.

Margins: 3, 3, HF. Odds: 0.60, 18.10, 6.80.

Also Ran: Western Ghent, How Did He Do That, Ten Days Later,

Communication Memo, C. J's Storm.

On the first day of the New Year, Brad Cox underscored his claim in the race for spots on the Kentucky Derby-points leaderboard when his undefeated colt Victory Formation cruised home the easiest of winners in the Smart Jones S. to pick up 10 of them, while his stablemate Angel of Empire gave their shared conditioner the exacta.

Christened a '**TDN Rising Star**' after he stylishly devastated a deep Keeneland maiden field Oct. 21 last year by over four lengths, the good-looking son of **Tapwrit** showed he had heart and talent by fighting back to capture a Nov. 26 Churchill Downs allowance optional claiming contest to cap his juvenile season.

Wildly popular at the betting windows for this seasonal bow, to the tune of 3-5 favoritism, Victory Formation made the first Kentucky Derby points race a procession; breaking well enough and asked to use a bit of himself to secure his lead over Western Ghent (**American Pharoah**). The race was over from there as he galloped along through :23.20, :47.75, and 1:12.36 splits unchallenged with ears pricked. When Flavien Prat shook up his mount for the short run through the stretch to the wire, the colt responded by putting a comfortable three-length margin on his closing stablemate Angel of Empire and McPeck trainee Denington, who followed the latter in from the rear of the field.

With this 10-point pick up, Victory Formation now sits in a three-way tie for sixth with GII Remsen S. winner Dubyuhnell (**Good Magic**) and GII Los Alamitos Futurity victor Practical Move (**Practical Joke**) keeping him company. Angel of Empire is eleventh--though tied with six others including Denington--after claiming four points. Counting his exacta here, Brad Cox has a loaded hand thus far with six of the early top 20 in his barn.

"This horse has a great mind. He doesn't overdo it in the morning. He settles and I think the farther the better. He's got a lot of natural speed. He's able to put himself in good position and was able to turn off and settle and finish up with good strides there," Cox said. "The breeding suggested he would go long. You never really know [going two turns] until they do it. He has to confirm it. We have opinions, horses have the answers. He gave us the right answer, today."

In addition to his Grade I-placed half-sister Bellamore (Empire Maker), Victory Formation also claims the dam of Italian stakes winner Sienna (Ger) (Amaron {GB}) as a half-relation. Smart N Soft, herself out of an accomplished mare in GSW & MGSP Softly (Binalong), has a newly-turned 2-year-old filly by **Karakontie** (Jpn) as well as a yearling filly by **Practical Joke**. She visited **Raging Bull** (Fr) for a foal this season. This is the family of GSW, track-record setter Coragil Cat (Forest Wildcat) and GSW Conquest Big E (**Tapit**). **Click for the [Equibase.com](#) chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**



**MUCHO MACHO MAN S.**, \$150,000, Gulfstream, 1-1, 3yo, 1m, 1:37.55, ft.

1--**DREAMING OF KONA**, 118, c, 3, by Fast Anna

1st Dam: Pliant, by Maria's Mon

2nd Dam: Graceful Cat, by Forest Wildcat

3rd Dam: Graceful Creek, by Darby Creek Road

(\$14,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN).

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Aldana Gonzalez Racing LLC, Lisa & Steve Ballou; B-eLGe farm (KY); T-Aldana Spieth; J-Scott Spieth. \$87,420. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$113,420.

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2--**Legacy Isle**, 120, c, 3, Shackleford--Queennameina, by Read the Footnotes. (\$210,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Daniel L. Walters, Dennis G. Smith, Anthony Smith & Rohan Crichton; B-Erv Woolsey & Ralph Kinder (KY); T-Rohan Crichton. \$28,200.

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3--**Lord Miles**, 118, c, 3, **Curlin**--Lady Esme, by Majestic Warrior. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Vegso Racing Stable (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. \$14,100.

Margins: NK, HF, 3/4. Odds: 19.70, 3.80, 5.70.

Also Ran: General Jim, Laver, Mr Bob, Il Miracolo, Baby Billy, Wine Empire, Fliparino, Eyes On the King. Scratched: Live Is Life.

Dreaming of Kona took a major jump in class as he notched his first black-type win in what was the colt's third start of his career. Breaking his maiden first-time out at Presque Isle Downs Oct. 17, the grey roan romped by 9 1/2 lengths going six panels, then shipped to Tampa Bay Downs for a minor stakes race in which he finished four-lengths back for third. This time around, facing 10 others, the 19-1 longshot tracked the undefeated \$210,000 '22 OBSAPR grad Legacy Isle down the backstretch, laying second as the leader went :22.79 to the quarter pole. With the speed moving at :45.20 for the half-mile, \$850,000 '21 KEESEP buy General Jim (Into Mischief) joined Dreaming of Kona on the inside as the challengers looked to catch Legacy Isle around the far turn. The son of Into Mischief got squeezed between his rivals approaching the eighth pole, but just before the wire, the leader darted into the longshot's path triggering an inquiry in which the stewards issued a disqualification for the infraction, awarding the trophy to Dreaming of Kona.

"He won his first race so incredibly handily at Presque Isle, but the competition wasn't of this caliber," said Lisa Ballou. "So, for him to put a performance like this in against this caliber of competition really kind of causes us to recalibrate our thoughts."

The winner was the last recorded offspring from the mare.

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Dreaming of Kona | Ryan Thompson

**LADIES S.**, \$145,500, Aqueduct, 1-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:52.15, my.

1--**FALCONET**, 118, f, 4, **Uncle Mo**--Birdatthewire (GISW, \$808,430), by Summer Bird. (\$250,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP).

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-CHC Inc. and WinStar Farm LLC; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Jose Lezcano. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: GSP, 7-3-3-0, \$312,340.

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2--**Battle Bling**, 124, m, 5, Vancouver (Aus)--Soleil Rouge, by E Dubai. (\$47,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$110,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). O-Dubb, Michael and Gandharvi LLC; B-Royal Oak Farm, LLC & E. Kiely (KY); T-Rob Atras. \$30,000.

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3--**Sweet Willemina**, 118, m, 6, Raison d'Etat--Williams Bay, by Kitten's Joy. (\$1,100 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Ciavardone, Richard and Lake, Scott A.; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Scott A. Lake. \$18,000.

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Margins: 2, 3, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.10, 1.50, 9.90.

Also Ran: Tonal Vision, Exotic West.

Falconet got off to a great 2023 and earned her first career black-type score by two lengths as the even-money favorite, making her return to non-graded company after a fourth-place finish in the GIII Comely S. over this track Nov. 25. The 2022 GIII Iowa Oaks runner-up was off a bit slow from the gate but was hustled up and raced well off the rail in the early going, content to chase the early pace set by Exotic West (**Hard Spun**) with Battle Bling to her inside around the first turn. The leader passed the half-mile in :47.84 on the backstretch just as the winner was gearing up to challenge and then steadily made her way closer

to the rail, claiming the lead around the turn. By the time she reached the five-sixteenths, she was well in command and continued on to the wire under urging, easily holding runner-up Battle Bling safe at the finish line.

"She broke good for me and she was there the whole way," said winning jockey Jose Lezcano. "When I asked her, she went on and won the race. She did everything right today."

The bay is the first foal out of Grade I winner Birdatthewire who, after earning more than \$800,000, was a \$725,000 RNA as a FTKNOV broodmare in 2017. The mare also produced the 2-year-old Grand Rapids (Into Mischief). **Click here the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**



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**HOLIDAY CHEER S.**, \$123,650, Turfway, 1-1, 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.67, ft.

**1--VISITANT, 122, h, 7, Ghostzapper--Peppermint Lounge (SP, \$136,720), by Distorted Humor.** O/B-Williamson Racing LLC (KY); T-William E. Morey; J-Gerardo Corrales. \$75,608. Lifetime Record: 19-11-3-2, \$670,797.

**2--Outadore, 120, g, 5, Outwork--Adore You, by Tactical Cat.** (\$140,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$290,000 Ylg '19 KESEEP). O-Breeze Easy, LLC; B-Deann & Greg Baer DVM (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward. \$24,680.

**3--Droppin G's, 122, g, 4, Klimt--Zooey, by Exchange Rate.** (\$15,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$50,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Lisa Tiemeyer Stable, LLC; B-Joe B. Mulholland Jr., John P. & Karen Mulholland (KY); T-Jerry Antonuik. \$12,340.

Margins: 4, NK, HD. Odds: 0.38, 2.89, 9.22.

Also Ran: Thanks Mr. Eidson, Ready for a Fight, Johnny Unleashed, My Man Flintstone. Scratched: Nobody Listens.

Visitant's 2023 bow made it two in a row for him as he parlayed a nice 6 1/2-furlong allowance score over this

all-weather track two weeks ago after a nine-month layoff into a fifth career stakes victory here as the 2-5 favorite. The 2021 Kentucky Cup Classic hero, who broke smartly from the gate, allowed the pacesetters to go in the early stages, preferring to sit off the pace and farthest outside in the clear for the run up the backstretch. As My Man Flintstone (Into Mischief) and Outadore--who was third in the 2020 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf--battled for the early lead, the latter making the front for a half-mile in :45.19, the eventual winner waited for the speed to back up before challenging for command. He was in striking distance as the early pacesetters rounded the bend and straightened out off the turn while still racing well off the rail. He took charge at the quarter pole and slowly drew away with each stride to earn the victory over Outadore. Visitant's dam, Peppermint Lodge, also produced the winning 4-year-old gelding Street Humor (Street Boss). **Click here the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG**

**LIMEHOUSE S.**, \$100,000, Gulfstream, 1-1, 3yo, 6f, 1:09.88, ft.

**1--SUPER CHOW, 122, c, 3, by Lord Nelson**

**1st Dam: Bonita Mia, by Warrior's Reward**

**2nd Dam: Miss Simpatia (Arg), by Southern Halo**

**3rd Dam: Miss Peggy (Arg), by Fitzcarraldo (Arg)**

(\$70,000 Ylg '21 FTKJUL; \$75,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-Lea Farms, LLC; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Jorge Delgado; J-Chantal Sutherland. \$61,380. Lifetime Record: 6-5-0-1, \$297,230.

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**2--Turbo, 122, c, 3, Brethren--Horah for Bailey, by Doneraile Court.** O/B-Arindel (FL); T-Juan Alvarado. \$19,800.

**3--Two of a Kind, 122, c, 3, Overanalyze--Freud's Irish Miss, by Freud.** O-K and R Racing Stable and Town Branch Racing; B-C. W. Swann & Wetherbee Holdings, LLC. (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch. \$9,900.

**Trained by Tristan & Valery de Meric**

Margins: 1, 9, 1HF. Odds: 1.10, 4.90, 2.20.

Also Ran: X Y Point, Dangerous Ride, Cajun Dream.

Super Chow racked up his fourth consecutive win and third straight in stakes company after having captured the Bowman Mill at Keeneland Oct. 29 and the Inaugural S. at Tampa Bay Downs a month ago in his last two outs. He made easy work of his 2023 debut at even money, rushing to establish command after bumping hard with rival Cajun Dream (Cajun Breeze) soon after the break and then leading the field throughout the six-furlong main track test. After passing the quarter pole in :44.95 with a 1 1/2-length advantage, he drifted out toward the middle of the track and kept drifting ever so slightly past the wire, safely holding the charge from runner-up Turbo at the rail by a length.

"The plan was to send the horse no matter what. Chantal



[Sutherland] managed to get the horse in good position,” Jorge Delgado said. “He seems to be getting better with every race. I don’t know why but when he runs here, he drifts a little bit. He [must not] like something between the three-eighths [pole] and the quarter pole. It only happens to him here, but he set good fractions and he beat a good bunch of horses.”

Bonita Mia also produced a 2-year-old full sister to Super Chow, a yearling colt by Into Mischief, and is carrying a 2023 foal by Authentic. [Click here the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

**CASH RUN S., \$100,000, Gulfstream, 1-1, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:36.70, ft.**

**1--INFINITE DIAMOND, 118, f, 3, by Bee Jersey**

**1st Dam: Ready for Gold, by More Than Ready**

**2nd Dam: Sheba Gold (Ire), by Sadler's Wells**

**3rd Dam: Ball Chairman, by Secretariat**

(\$10,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$120,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR).

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Patrick L. Biancone; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$60,140. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$103,189.

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**2--Padma, 118, f, 3, Tapit--Kareena, by Medaglia d'Oro.**

**1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-William Mott. \$19,400.

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**3--Lynx, 122, f, 3, Brethren--Darby Rose, by Red Bullet.**

O/B-Arindel (FL); T-Carlos A. David. \$9,700.

**Dam purchased carrying full sis at OBSWIN '21 for \$7,000 by Mike Slezak | BullOTheWoodsStables@gmail.com**

Margins: 2 1/4, NO, 6HF. Odds: 3.60, 2.80, 3.00.

Also Ran: Arella Star, Miss Ucraina, Looking for Hope, Alma Rosa, Atthecrossroads. Scratched: Pure Pauline.

After taking three tries to break her maiden, including running fourth just three lengths behind next out GI Del Mar Debutante S. winner And Tell Me Nolies (Arrogate), Infinite Diamond finally broke through in dominating fashion, wiring a maiden field at Gulfstream by 14 1/2 lengths. Eased home behind the field when last seen contesting the GI Alcibiades S. at Keeneland Oct. 7, the \$120,000 OBS April grad returned to Gulfstream with a 7-2 shot. Stalking closest to longshot pacesetter Arella Star (Nyquist), Infinite Diamonds hugged the rail and rode her ground-saving trip around the far turn to take command at the top of the lane. Sent clear inside the final furlong, she was safely home in front of a fading Padma who just lasted for the exacta.

“I felt like I could go out and push her a little bit because I had a ton of horse, but I didn’t want to move early,” said winning jockey Jose Ortiz. “I bided my time there, it opened up a little bit and she went through on her own. I didn’t even have to ask her. I felt like I could have gone outside and won, either way, but the horse did it on her own.”

From the extended family of Canadian champion grass horse Perfect Soul (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), Infinite Diamonds has a yearling full-sister and will gain another full-sibling this year. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#)

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**7th-Turfway, \$74,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-1, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:38.60, ft, 3/4 length.**

**ARISTOCRACY (c, 3, Tapit--Made Great Again, by Medaglia d'Oro)** remained perfect in two starts, using his maiden score at Keeneland two months ago as a springboard to this allowance win while stretching out around two turns for the first time at odds of 5-1. The gray received a ground-saving trip while mid-pack after a smooth break, content to let Olazabal (Bolt d'Oro) and Mendel's Secret (Mendelsson) duel for the early lead. As the leaders made their way into the far bend, the winner was guided up into contention while closest to the rail before being swung out into the two path and around tiring rivals as he straightened out for the stretch run. He collared Mendel's Secret on the outside just past the quarter pole, and under strong urging, began to pull away, safely holding off Safe Trip Home (More Than Ready) by three-quarters of a length at the finish line. The winner's dam produced a 2-year-old filly by Flatter, an unnamed yearling by Into Mischief, and she is in foal to **Munnings** for this year. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$83,437. [Click here the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.](#) O/B-Gary & Mary West (KY); T-Brad Cox.



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#### IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**5th-Turfway, \$68,250, Msw, 1-1, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:11.30, ft, 5 lengths.**

**DEVIOUS STARES (f, 3, **Practical Joke**--Yankee Bright, by Elusive Quality),** sent away as the 7-2 third choice behind favored Juddmonte homebred Friction (Into Mischief), endured a wide trip from her outside gate, racing in fifth as Lanetta (**Mastery**) led the field through a quarter in :22.64. Ridden hard by jockey Kent Desormeaux into the far turn while four wide, she powered to the front with all the momentum, storming by late leader and eventual runner up, 21-1 longshot Popnfizz (**Hard Spun**), and drew off nicely to win by five lengths. Out of a half-sister to GSP Isn't He Clever (Smarty Jones), GSW & GISP Adventist (Any Given Saturday), GSW Dijeerr (Danzig), and GSP Sharp Writer (Capote), Devious Stares has a pair of full-siblings--a newly-turned 2-year-old filly and a yearling colt. Yankee Bright returned to **Practical Joke** for yet another full-sibling in 2023. Sales History: \$170,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/T-Wesley A. Ward; B-George E. Bates Trustee (KY).

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**10th-Turfway, \$49,000, Msw, 1-1, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:37.27, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.**

**EYE WITNESS (c, 3, **City of Light**--Gracilia, by Mr. Greeley)** got the losing side of a three-way photo finish, taking third by a head when contesting a state-bred event at six furlongs over the grass at Belmont's Aqueduct meeting Sept. 23. In open company

Sunday over the all-weather track at Turfway, the \$650,000 yearling was content to set the pace, working through a :23.57 opening quarter. Never pressured on the front end, Eye Witness spun for home and was ridden out to the line, defeating a closing Event Detail (**City of Light**) to fill the exacta for their freshman sire (by **Quality Road**). The 12th winner for **City of Light**, Eye Witness is a half-brother to More Mischief (Into Mischief), SW, \$255,493. Gracilia, herself a half-sister to GSW & GISP Sharp Humor (Distorted Humor), saw her now 2-year-old filly by **Practical Joke** RNA for \$185,000 out of the Fasig-Tipton Preferred Yearling Sale after bringing \$220,000 as a yearling. She most recently produced a yearling filly by **Game Winner**. Sales History: \$235,000 Wlg '20 FTKNOV; \$650,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$30,240. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Jonathan Poulin, Westerberg, Mrs. John Magnier, Derrick Smith & Michael B. Tabor; B-Anlyn Farms (NY); T-Wesley A. Ward.



#### In Dubai:

**Tiger Nation, c, 3, **Tamarkuz**--Silken, by Out of Place. Jebel Ali, 1-1, Maiden, 1200m, 1:13.20. B-Richard T. Jackson (KY). \*\$110,000 2yo '22 FTIMAY.**

**Carpe Momentum, g, 6, **Carpe Diem**--Istanford (MGSW, \$415,227), by Istan. Jebel Ali, 1-1, Maiden, 1600m, 1:38.66. B-SF Bloodstock LLC (NY). \*\$150,000 wnlg '17 KEENOV; \$190,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTNAUG; \$180,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to Tonneofgrit (Aus) (Winning Rupert {Aus}), SP-Aus, \$159,662.**

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**Ghost of the Mambo, g, 6, **Ghostzapper**--Much Obliged (GSP-Us, GSP-Ca, \$422,371), by Kingmambo. Jebel Ali, 1-1, Handicap, 1950m, 1:59.07. B-Pin Oak Stud LLC (KY). \*\$145,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR. \*\*1/2 to Syphax (Arch), GSW-Eng, \$102,960.**



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**Down On Da Bayou, m, 6, **Super Saver**--Bayou Tortuga, by Empire Maker. Jebel Ali, 1-1, Conditions, 1600m, 1:37.27. B-McCann Bloodstock, Mark Keider & Doug Richards (KY).**



\*\$220,000 RNA wnlg '17 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP;  
 €190,000 2yo '19 ARQMAY. \*\*1/2 to Polar River  
 (Congrats), GSW-Uae, \$771,139; Rare Form (**The Factor**), GSP,  
 \$265,723.



## FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, JANUARY 2

### 2023 Stud Fees Listed

**Bolt d'Oro** (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000  
 256 foals of racing age/29 winners/6 black-type winners  
 9-Santa Anita, 7:00 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Bolt Supremacy, 15-1  
 \$165,000 KEE SEP yrl  
 9-Santa Anita, 7:00 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Navy Man, 7-2  
 \$80,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$475,000 KEE SEP yrl

**City of Light** (**Quality Road**), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000  
 209 foals of racing age/12 winners/3 black-type winners  
 5-Golden Gate Fields, 5:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Fast Chad, 6-1  
 \$200,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$285,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$75,000 FTF  
 MAR 2yo

**Collected** (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000  
 234 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner  
 4-Mahoning Valley, 2:08 p.m. EST, Alw 5 1/2f, Lady Giuliana, 9-2  
 \$20,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$30,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Good Samaritan** (Harlan's Holiday), WinStar Farm, \$7,500  
 172 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner  
 4-Mahoning Valley, 2:08 p.m. EST, Alw 5 1/2f, Long Black Veil  
 \$5,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

**Hoppertunity** (Any Given Saturday), Northview Stallion Station  
 154 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner  
 8-Parx Racing, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Fierce and Strong, 12-1

**Justify** (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$100,000  
 343 foals of racing age/29 winners/6 black-type winners  
 9-Santa Anita, 7:00 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Harlocap, 7-2  
 \$150,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$275,000 FTF MAR 2yo; \$400,000 EAS  
 MAY 2yo

**Prospect Park** (**Tapit**), Sau  
 42 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner  
 2-Santa Anita, 3:30 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Turquoise Bikini, 30-1

**Tapwrit** (**Tapit**), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000  
 176 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winners  
 9-Santa Anita, 7:00 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Habeas, 12-1  
 \$100,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$450,000 OBS APR 2yo  
 5-Golden Gate Fields, 5:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, No Ice No Glass,  
 6-1  
 \$85,000 KEE SEP yrl

## SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, JANUARY 2

### 2023 Stud Fees Listed

**Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song), Juddmonte Farms  
 324 foals of racing age/59 winners/6 black-type winners  
 9-Santa Anita, 7:00 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Mr Fisk, 3-1

**Classic Empire** (Pioneerof the Nile), Coolmore Ashford, \$15,000  
 273 foals of racing age/75 winners/7 black-type winners  
 8-Parx Racing, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, These guys got game, 7-2  
 \$30,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$18,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Mastery** (**Candy Ride** {**Arg**}), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500  
 330 foals of racing age/58 winners/1 black-type winner  
 5-Turf Paradise, 4:22 p.m. EST, Aoc 7 1/2f, Bruin Magic, 8-1  
 \$12,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$80,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$225,000 FTF MAR  
 2yo

**Straight Fire** (Dominus), Legacy Ranch  
 48 foals of racing age/23 winners/3 black-type winners  
 1-Turf Paradise, 2:25 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Fire Escape, 12-1  
 2-Santa Anita, 3:30 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Point and Shoot, 8-1  
 \$47,000 FTC AYR yrl



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## The New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund (NYJICF) 2023 Workers' Compensation Premium Assessment and Formula

This is the NYJICF's Assessment Plan for 2023 (2023 Assessment Plan) and, consistent with the last few years, continues to be structured on New York Racing Association (NYRA)-based horsemen contributing 86% of the NYJICF's annual cost, which is estimated to equal \$7,546,798, and Finger Lakes Gaming and Racetrack (FLRA)-based horsemen contributing 14% of the NYJICF's annual cost, which is estimated to equal \$1,228,549.

The NYJICF has the authority (i) to use up to \$2 million from the 2023 NYRA purse cushion fund and (ii) to deduct and use 2% of purses from an owner's share of purses.

**NYRA Owners** assessment and payment is a \$1,200 base premium, plus 2% of purses earned.

**FLRA Owners** assessment and payment is a \$3,060 base premium, plus 2% of purses earned.

Each race with a purse over \$1,000,000 will be capped at \$1,000,000 for Workers' Compensation assessment purposes only.

**NYRA Trainer** assessment and payment is a \$1,200 base premium plus:

NYRA trainers will pay a per stall charge of \$1.92 per day for each stall allotted and accepted during each stall allotment period as designated by the track where each trainer races, provided that the first 12 stalls allotted and accepted will be free and the per stall charge for each stall allotted and accepted in excess of 12 will be \$1.92 per day.

**FLRA Trainer** assessment and payment is a \$3,060 base premium plus:

FLRA trainers will pay a per stall charge of \$1.80 per day for each stall allotted and accepted during each stall allotment period as designated by the track.

These premium charges will be due as follows:

**NYRA and FLRA Owners and Trainers** base premium charge is due:

- At NYRA, for those trainers already stabled on the grounds: \$1,200 on or before January 1, 2023.
- At NYRA, for those owners already stabled on the grounds: \$1,200 before they run their first horse in 2023.
- For those trainers shipping in: upon entering the horse on the grounds based on the "shippers" per start schedule set forth below.
- For those owners shipping in: before they run their first horse in 2023 based on the "shippers" per start schedule set forth below.
- At FLRA, for trainers: upon entering the horse on the grounds: \$1,800 on or before April 1, 2023, and an additional \$1,260 (for a total of \$3,060) to be paid on or before June 1, 2023.
- At FLRA, for owners: \$1,800 before they run their first horse in 2023 through May 31, 2023, and an additional \$1,260 (for a total of \$3,060) to be paid on or before June 1, 2023.

Anything in this 2023 Assessment Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, FLRA's 14% of the NYJICF's cost, which is estimated to equal \$1,228,549, will be paid by FLRA in eight equal installments in the amount of \$153,568.63 between April 2023 and November 2023.

### **NYRA and FLRA Owners and Trainers**

The stall charges will be due on the last day of the first month of each allotment period, for example: January 31 for winter 2023 at NYRA and thirty days after the opening of the stable area for the spring meeting at FLRA.

If the trainer accepts stalls for the summer meeting but ships in three weeks before that meeting begins, that trainer will be responsible for the entire summer meeting plus \$1.92 per day (\$1.80 at FLRA) times the number of stalls allotted, times the number of days that the trainer occupied the stalls prior to the summer meeting, provided that the first 12 stalls allotted and accepted at NYRA tracks will be free.

**Owners/Trainers** will be required to pay the base premium charge of \$1,200

at NYRA and \$3,060 at FLRA, plus 2% of purses earned, plus the stall allotment charge.

**Private Trainers** will be responsible for the base premium of \$1,200 at NYRA and \$3,060 at FLRA. The owner employing that trainer (whose payroll the exercise riders are on) will be responsible for the stall charge plus 2% of purses earned.

**Shippers.** At NYRA, owners and trainers will be charged \$120.00 each per start for their first ten starts (for a maximum of \$1,200 for 2023). At FLRA, owners and trainers will be charged \$180.00 each per start for their first ten starts (for a maximum of \$1,800 for 2023). Owners will also be charged 2% of purses earned. Shipping trainers will only be charged a stall fee if they are assigned stalls.

A suitable stall count to be determined by the racing secretary at the current stall assessment rate (\$1.92 at NYRA tracks (except the first 12 stalls allotted and accepted will be free for 2023) and \$1.80 at FLRA) will be assessed to those horsemen stabled off of the racetrack proper and who have daily access and use of the racetrack facilities.

**Surcharge.** Each trainer, upon such trainer's second claim and any subsequent claim filed with the workers' compensation insurance carrier in 2023, shall be charged a per-claim handling surcharge based upon the total number of horses then currently trained on the date of such claim(s) (as measured by the number of stalls allocated statewide as of the date of the claim for which a surcharge is to be collected), as follows: 1 to 10 horses: \$200; 11 to 30 horses: \$400; and 31 or more horses: \$600.

### **General Information**

Should NYJICF determine that the amounts which are actually collected from (i) NYRA is inadequate to cover 86% of the NYJICF's annual cost, which is estimated to equal \$7,546,798 and and/or (ii) FLRA is inadequate to cover 14% of the NYJICF's annual cost, which is estimated to equal \$1,228,549, respectively, then the NYJICF will seek additional funds pursuant to the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law Section 221 (7).

- For determining the responsibility for payment of workers' compensation, an owner is the person whose account would be debited or credited when a horse runs. In the case of multiple ownership, this would be the managing partner.
- In order for trainers to reduce their stall charge, they must officially return stalls to the proper association, stall man or racing secretary within 10 days after assuming the stalls.
- The charge per stall is in no way to be construed as a payment for stall rent. This is only a method which the NYJICF uses to estimate the appropriate premium charge that is due.

For those racing at NYRA:

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Call the Horsemen's Bookkeeper at 718-687-4843 to have that amount debited from your account.

For those racing at FLRA:

Please send checks for the base premium payable to:

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Call the Horsemen's Bookkeeper at 585-924-3004 after April 1, 2023 to have that amount debited from your account.



**STAKES RESULTS:**

**NEW MEXICO STATE RACING COMMISSION H.**, (NB) \$100,000, Sunland, 1-1, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03.60, ft.

1--**BIKINI TIME, 118, m, 5, Attila's Storm--Unconstitutional, by Grand Slam.** O/B-Brian Mundell (NM); T-Bart G. Hone; J-Enrique Gomez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, \$156,630. \*1/2 to My Bikini Fell Off (Elusive Jazz), MSP, \$404,032.

2--**Quatro, 118, m, 5, Mr. Gold Mover--Quell, by Look See.** O-Robert Driggers & Ben Lee Ivey; B-Robert & Del Rae Driggers (NM); T-Simon J. Buechler. \$20,000.

3--**Proofsinthepuddin, 121, m, 5, Marking--Follow My Tail, by Indian Charlie.** O-Reliance Ranches LLC; B-Brad King & Todd Fincher (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$10,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, NK. Odds: 6.90, 12.80, 1.70.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**9th-Oaklawn, \$106,000, (S), 1-1, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.08, ft, 3 lengths.**

**GAR HOLE (g, 5, Tekton--Dovecot, by Afleet Alex)** Lifetime Record: SW, 8-5-0-1, \$349,274. O/B-Shortleaf (AR); T-John Ortiz.

**7th-Oaklawn, \$104,000, 1-1, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.34, ft, 3 lengths.**

**ROCK STAR PARKING (m, 5, Upstart--Park in Back, by Majesticperfection)** Lifetime Record: 18-5-4-3, \$209,670. O-Contreras Stable, Inc. & Desperado Racing LLC; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Cipriano Contreras. \*\$45,000 RNA Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$37,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP.

**3rd-Turfway, \$77,610, 1-1, 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10.41, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.**

**BLUE KENTUCKY (g, 4, Include--Sapphire Seas, by Proud Citizen)** Lifetime Record: SP, 17-5-1-3, \$258,280. O-Save L. Robbins; B-Larry & Cindy Jones (KY); T-Matthew P. Sims.

**9th-Santa Anita, \$76,296, 12-31, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.81, gd, neck.**

**CODE DUELLO (g, 5, Honor Code--Caroni, by Rubiano)** Lifetime Record: SP, 14-3-3-2, \$131,733. O-Flawless Racing, Brian Flanagan, & Mike Jarvis; B-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern (KY); T-Craig Dollase. \*\$95,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Mo Tom (Uncle Mo), GSW, \$665,356; Beautician (Dehere), SW & MGISP, \$636,175.

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**5th-Gulfstream, \$73,000, 1-1, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.30, fm, 3/4 length.**

**INTO THE SUNRISE (g, 5, Into Mischief--Bellini Sunrise, by Machiavellian)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 19-4-2-2, \$262,043. O-M Racing Group, LLC; B-Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly Anderson (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \*\$325,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. \*\*Full to Hibiscus Punch, GSW, \$261,411.



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**8th-Gulfstream, \$73,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-1, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:33.81, fm, 2 1/2 lengths.**

**HE'SPUREGOLD (g, 5, Vancouver {Aus}--Smart N Classy {GSW, \$466,209}, by Smart Strike)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 17-6-3-3, \$376,120. O-Roseland Farm Stable (Bowers); B-John Bowers Jr (NJ); T-Kelly J. Breen. \*1/2 to Stay Smart (Stay Thirsty), SW, \$268,080; and to Valedictorian (Temple City), MGSW, \$761,115.

**10th-Gulfstream, \$72,000, 1-1, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:29.86, fm, 1/2 length.**

**KITTEN MISCHIEF (g, 4, Into Mischief--Kitten's Point {MGSW & GISP, \$507,565}, by Kitten's Joy)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-2, \$116,007. O-Augustin Stable; B-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas.

**Bridlewood Farm Training Graduate**

**6th-Fair Grounds, \$53,000, (S), 1-1, (NW4L), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.97, gd, 5 1/4 lengths.**

**BELEOUT (f, 4, Flat Out--My Friend Bele {SW, \$145,980}, by My Friend Max)** Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, \$151,980. O-Pendleton Larsen, Jr.; B-Delmar Caldwell (LA); T-Courtney Dandridge Jr. \*1/2 to Hunker Down (Musket Man), MSP, \$250,275.

**7th-Laurel, \$55,110, 1-1, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.23, gd, neck.**

**I'M GITTIN THERE (f, 4, Golden Lad--Perfect Measure {SP, \$243,870}, by Wildcat Heir)** Lifetime Record: 20-4-3-3, \$170,178. O/B/T-Hamilton A. Smith (MD).

**7th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000, 1-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.88, gd, 16 lengths.**

**MERCY WARREN (f, 4, Run Away and Hide--I'm Patriotic {SP}, by To Honor and Serve)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-1, \$99,724. O-Maggi Moss, David Ingordo & Little Red Feather Racing; B-Ralph Edward Kinder & Erv Woolsey (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux. \*\$125,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN. \*\*Won by 16 lengths.



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**5th-Sunland, \$42,200, (S), 1-1, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04.33, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.**

**HANNAH'S HIGHLIFE (f, 3, Holy Lute--Rousanne {MSP}, by Desert Party)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$59,520. O/B-Teed Off Stables, LLC (NM); T-Bart G. Hone.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Grace and Charm, f, 3, Accelerate--Cruelmore, by Forestry.** Laurel, 1-1, 6f, 1:12.87. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$43,400. B-Nicky Drion Thoroughbreds, Macha Bloodstock & Kindred Stables (KY). \*\$190,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR. \*1/2 to Threes Over Deuces (Flat Out), SW & MGSP, \$632,147.

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**Tiz a Journey, f, 3, Punctuate--J Dreamer, by Stellar Rain.**

Sunland, 1-1, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.23. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,080. B-Lonnie Huseman (NM). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Clash A. J., g, 4, Bank Heist--Clash, by Arch. Aqueduct, 1-1, (S), (C), 6f, 1:13.61. Lifetime Record: 13-1-3-0, \$78,315. B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY). \*1/2 to Ire (Political Force), GSP, \$202,639; Fashion Faux Pas (Flatter), MSW & GSP, \$183,457.**

**Field of Vision, g, 4, Court Vision--Norma Lee, by Political Force.** Fair Grounds, 1-1, (S), 6f, 1:12.44. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$44,400. B-Gill Frederick & Ken Cormier (LA).

**Bartulia, g, 4, Creative Cause--Darling Sky (MSP, \$241,518), by Sky Mesa.** Fair Grounds, 1-1, 1 1/16m, 1:45.82. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$43,400. B-Namcook Stables, Paul Braverman & Tim Pinch (KY). \*\$15,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN; \$100,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT.

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**Classic Coyne, f, 4, Pioneer of the Nile--Classic Strike, by Smart Strike.** Turfway, 1-1, 1m (AWT), 1:39.09. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-1, \$68,426. B-Clearsky Farms & Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY). \*\$350,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Pretty Lady (Scat Daddy), SW, \$108,613; Handsome Mike (Scat Daddy), MGSP, \$1,005,413; Union Strike (Union Rags), GISW, \$537,625; Classic Sense (Street Sense), SP, \$159,340.

**Charging Aero, g, 4, Will Take Charge--Aerospace, by Invasor (Arg).** Tampa Bay Downs, 1-1, 6f, 1:11.60. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-2, \$48,040. B-Carol A. Reitman, Susan Gannon & Warren Miller (FL).

**Classical Magnolia, f, 4, Zong--Classical Dice, by Cherokee Run.** Fair Grounds, 1-1, (S), 1m, 1:42.36. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-3, \$46,570. B-Indian Creek Thoroughbred Farm & Ashley Lee(LA).

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**Accelerate**, Grace and Charm, f, 3, o/o Cruelmore, by Forestry. MSW, 1-1, Laurel

**Attila's Storm**, Bikini Time, m, 5, o/o Unconstitutional, by Grand Slam. New Mexico State Racing Commission H., 1-1, Sunland

**Bank Heist**, Clash A. J., g, 4, o/o Clash, by Arch. MCL, 1-1, Aqueduct

**Bee Jersey**, Infinite Diamond, f, 3, o/o Ready for Gold, by More Than Ready. Cash Run S., 1-1, Gulfstream

**City of Light**, Eye Witness, c, 3, o/o Gracilia, by Mr. Greeley. MSW, 1-1, Turfway

**Court Vision**, Field of Vision, g, 4, o/o Norma Lee, by Political Force. MSW, 1-1, Fair Grounds

**Creative Cause**, Bartulia, g, 4, o/o Darling Sky, by Sky Mesa. MSW, 1-1, Fair Grounds

**Fast Anna**, Dreaming of Kona, c, 3, o/o Pliant, by Maria's Mon. Mucho Macho Man S., 1-1, Gulfstream

**Flat Out**, Beleout, f, 4, o/o My Friend Bele, by My Friend Max. ALW, 1-1, Fair Grounds

**Ghostzapper**, Visitant, h, 7, o/o Peppermint Lounge, by Distorted Humor. Holiday Cheer S., 1-1, Turfway



**2022 Leading Sire Into Mischief had a pair of winners Sunday**

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**Golden Lad**, I'm Gittin There, f, 4, o/o Perfect Measure, by Wildcat Heir. ALW, 1-1, Laurel

**Holy Lute**, Hannah's Highlife, f, 3, o/o Rousanne, by Desert Party. ALW, 1-1, Sunland

**Honor Code**, Code Duello, g, 5, o/o Caroni, by Rubiano. ALW, 12-31, Santa Anita

**Include**, Blue Kentucky, g, 4, o/o Sapphire Seas, by Proud Citizen. AOC, 1-1, Turfway

**Into Mischief**, Into the Sunrise, g, 5, o/o Bellini Sunrise, by Machiavellian. AOC, 1-1, Gulfstream

**Into Mischief**, Kitten Mischief, g, 4, o/o Kitten's Point, by Kitten's Joy. AOC, 1-1, Gulfstream

**Lord Nelson**, Super Chow, c, 3, o/o Bonita Mia, by Warrior's Reward. Limehouse S., 1-1, Gulfstream

**Pioneer of the Nile**, Classic Coyne, f, 4, o/o Classic Strike, by Smart Strike. MSW, 1-1, Turfway

**Practical Joke**, Devious Stares, f, 3, o/o Yankee Bright, by Elusive Quality. MSW, 1-1, Turfway

**Punctuate**, Tiz a Journey, f, 3, o/o J Dreamer, by Stellar Rain. MSW, 1-1, Sunland

**Run Away and Hide**, Mercy Warren, f, 4, o/o I'm Patriotic, by To Honor and Serve. AOC, 1-1, Fair Grounds

**Tapit**, Aristocracy, c, 3, o/o Made Great Again, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. AOC, 1-1, Turfway

**Tapwrit**, Victory Formation, c, 3, o/o Smart N Soft, by Smart Strike. Smarty Jones S., 1-1, Oaklawn

**Tekton**, Gar Hole, g, 5, o/o Dovecot, by Afleet Alex. AOC, 1-1, Oaklawn

**Uncle Mo**, Falconet, f, 4, o/o Birdatthewire, by Summer Bird. Ladies S., 1-1, Aqueduct

**Upstart**, Rock Star Parking, m, 5, o/o Park in Back, by Majesticperfection. ALW, 1-1, Oaklawn

**Vancouver (Aus)**, He'spuregold, g, 5, o/o Smart N Classy, by Smart Strike. AOC, 1-1, Gulfstream

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## MODEST KINGSCOTE REAPING THE BENEFITS OF GETTING OUT MORE



Richard Kingscote and the Derby trophy | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

By Emma Berry

Richard Kingscote is far too nice. He is also a damn good jockey. And if people hadn't realised that before this year, they certainly do now. The 36-year-old is no newcomer to racing's main stage but until this past season he had to a degree been cast as a reliable sidekick to leading actors such as Frankie Dettori and Ryan Moore. Dettori is one of only a few jockeys who is instantly identifiable by his first name alone, and in true 'Frankie style' the recent announcement of his retirement allows him a year-long celebratory tour that will doubtless be to the benefit of the sport, for Dettori is box office; a crowd-puller. Kingscote is quite the opposite, but only in personality, not when it comes to talent.

"I think that being introverted has probably made it that little bit harder to move my career forward," he admits. "Because racing is the sort of sport where you have to integrate, you have to be involved with people. And I've noticed the last couple of years, particularly, the more outgoing people, the social people, are the people that get offered jobs and get moving forward just because they're out there. They're putting themselves out there, and I don't put myself out there a great deal."

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Kingscote's imminent departure for a winter riding stint in Florida came about from his recent trip to Bahrain, where he was runner-up in the G3 Bahrain International Trophy on Passion And Glory (Ire) for Godolphin.

He explains, "I was having a few drinks with someone and they said, 'Would you be interested in going to America?' Usually, as soon as I've finished I'd scurry off to my room and wouldn't be seen again. So just being that little bit more outgoing and putting myself in that position, I've been offered a stint in America. Maybe I need to learn to be a little bit more of a people person. Doors open because you're putting yourself there, where I never really have, whether that's just shyness or the way I am, I don't really know, but maybe it's something I ought to start looking into."

Kingscote became a Group 1-winning jockey back in 2014 when guiding Brown Panther to glory in the Irish St Leger during his days as stable jockey to Tom Dascombe. [Cont. p3](#)

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He also hit the top level again in the G1 Flying Five aboard Havana Grey (GB), who is now one of the most exciting young sires in Britain. His riding career, which is now closing in on 20 years, has been peppered with stakes wins, but it was 2022 which can be considered his true annus mirabilis as the name Richard Kingscote was added to that special roll of honour reserved for jockeys to have triumphed at Epsom in the Derby.

Following his victory on Desert Crown (GB) he was quizzed about his relatively new association with one of the greatest Derby-winning trainers of all time, Sir Michael Stoute.

"We get on well because neither of us likes to talk much," was his response, and it is easy to see why Kingscote has fitted in so well at Stoute's Freemason Lodge, proving a more than able addition to the riding ranks when Ryan Moore is fulfilling his obligations for Ballydoyle.

Desert Crown, who also won the G2 Dante S., has only ever been ridden in public by Kingscote, who has only twice partnered his second hugely significant winner of the year, Bay Bridge (GB). He won on the four-year-old on both occasions, including the G1 QIPCO Champion S., and it is easy to imagine the partnership remaining intact in the high-profile races which Bay Bridge will be contesting next year.

Explaining his growing connection with Stoute following his departure from Dascombe's former base of Manor House Stables in Cheshire, he says, "Tom and I were together for a long time and it was a difficult decision to move on from there. He'd supported me so much and I had a good job that a lot of lads would've loved, and I did. I liked working with Tom, we got on very well and I had the opportunity to get on some nice horses over the years."

He continues, "But it's very difficult to get hold of those horses, and I was lucky to get an opportunity with Sir Michael. Over the last four or five years, I had the odd couple of rides and winners for Sir Michael, and maybe two or three years ago I asked if I was in Newmarket would I be able to pop in and ride out.



**Richard Kingscote aboard Bay Bridge | [racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)**

"I've never be one to push myself forward and try stepping on people's toes and I don't like to be forceful or pushy. So I would never have been there too much, but if I stayed [in Newmarket], they were happy to have me in. And then I think with Covid, Sir Michael and Ryan were quite aware that Ryan may not be able to travel back and forward from Ireland as much as in normal

years. So I don't know how it went or why I was picked, but I was asked if I'd become more involved and obviously I was delighted about that. I think for any jockey to be involved with a yard like Sir Michael's is a privilege. It's a big deal."

Despite Kingscote's rising profile, and his impending arrival at Gulfstream Park being announced in a press release from the racecourse, we still don't know a huge amount about the jockey. When

this is pointed out to him as we speak just before Christmas, he replies, "There's not much to know. But that's all right."

He continues, "I'm quiet and I'm private. I prefer to stay at home. I'm actually out tonight to William Buick's party and tomorrow I'm going to the BBC Sports Personality of the Year awards. It's the first time I've been invited and now it's coming to it, I'd almost rather just stay at home, but I'm going anyway, because it's nice to be involved with those things; how often are you going to get invited to the Sports Personality of the Year? So I thought I'd give it a go."

While he does undoubtedly keep a much lower profile than some of his weighing-room colleagues, Kingscote is an engaging interviewee. The only question he deflects is the unfair query as to which of Desert Crown or Bay Bridge he'd prefer to ride if he could only ride one ("I know which one it would be but it's not fair to say") and he adds of his Derby winner, who is on the comeback trail from injury, "He's very exciting. I saw him about a month ago and he looks great. And he's got such a great temperament."

Kingscote's most successful year numerically came in 2021 when he rode 128 winners, the fifth time he has reached three figures.



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**WON** Listed First Flier Stakes, 5f.

**WON** Maiden, 5f., on 8th April by 1½ lengths

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In 2022 he is just shy of that mark on 98, and he has not ridden in Britain since signing off for a well-earned break with a winner at Lingfield on December 10. This year, however, has by any measure been his best yet on the racecourse.

"The Derby was surreal and it was huge," he recalls, before adding modestly, "But my horse was a steering job, so I think winning at Ascot, not having just the one Group 1 this year but also having the second one, just really cemented it a little bit in being a very good year.

"We went to Ascot [on Champions Day] with no expectation as well, which was great, because Baaeed was such a strong favourite."

He adds, "And it could well be a very exciting year with both of them staying in training."

Now based not far from Lambourn, Kingscote grew up in the south-west of England in Weston-super-Mare and started riding as a 12-year-old. In his typically guileless fashion he admits that he was a complete outsider to racing.

"My mum got a pony and my brother and I started having riding lessons once a fortnight," he says. "I didn't really like school and because I was little I said I'd like to be a jockey. I knew nothing about it, honestly, I'd never have even watched a Flat race in my life. But mum found out about the Newmarket [British] Racing School, and I did the nine-week course there. I was unbelievably green. I think Frankie was probably the only jockey I've ever heard of, even though [Kieren] Fallon had been multiple champion jockey. I was just that far away from racing, I had absolutely no idea, but I just said I like riding horses and I like going fast so I'll be a jockey, which was probably quite naive, but somehow we got there."

What Kingscote is too modest to mention, of course, is that the getting there "somehow" didn't just happen but was the consequence of his own hard work and professionalism, as well as the talents which had become apparent once he started riding. Like many young riders, he found that his career seemed to be stalling once he had finished his apprenticeship with Roger Charlton but, heading up to Cheshire with Tom Dascombe when

the latter accepted the job as trainer at Michael Owen's Manor House Stables, he steadily earned the respect of the racing community as one of the most hard-working, loyal and reliable jockeys in the game as he and Dascombe established themselves as a formidable partnership, particularly to be feared at their local track Chester.

Though Kingscote has steadily earned bragging rights, there is no hint of the arrogance that sometimes comes with the confidence needed to be a

top-level sportsman. In fact, more than most people, he is only too aware of the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune that lurk in every life. Last year his younger brother Karl, who had been working at Denford Stud at the time, had a mountain-biking accident which has left him paralysed.

"Karl now lives with mum near Ffos Las," he says. "We're still close even though he doesn't live 20 minutes away any more. One of our major hobbies is that we are both gamers. We speak almost every day, and we play together online. So we speak a lot still, which I think is quite good for him, and good for me as well."

What has also been good for the jockey after the cut and thrust of the season is taking a proper break to spend some time with his wife Ashleigh and their two young children before he departs for America.

"It's hard to take time off as a jockey, particularly, obviously, in the summer it's just not the done thing," he says. "So come the winter you ought to allow yourself a little bit of downtime and I often take things easier but still like to ride for my people. I've not ridden for a few weeks and I won't be riding until the new year."



Kingscote with wife Ashleigh and sons William and Sebastian *racingfotos.com*

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Frankie Dettori, who started his own American sojourn with three Boxing Day winners at Santa Anita, may have stolen his thunder but it is unlikely Kingscote will be complaining about that. In fact, despite his considerable success and experience, he appears to be approaching his forthcoming trip in mid-January with a degree of trepidation.

"Obviously, I've been to a few Breeders Cups but it's my first proper stint riding anywhere else really, bar Australia when I was an apprentice. I think I'll be quite green about it all, to be honest," he admits, his natural and unconscious modesty shining through as, from Gulfstream's point of view, they will be welcoming not the bit player which he still views himself as, but one of the highest-achieving jockeys in the world.

"I'm a bit nervous about it, but I am looking forward to it. Everyone seems quite excited that I'm going over. I did a radio show yesterday and all of a sudden got loads more American followers on Twitter."

By the time he returns, Kingscote will likely have plenty more, for while he may not trumpet his own talents in the way in which an American audience will be more accustomed, he is certainly a rider to follow.

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## 12 QUESTIONS

### With Richard Knight

#### First job in the Thoroughbred industry?

Mucking out at Guirys 1 in Coolmore Ireland on my year out from University. I think there were 20 foals in the barn--18 by Sadler's Wells and two by Danehill.

#### Biggest influence on your career?

Ultimately, my father, who introduced both my brother William and I to racing. He loved his National Hunt and we spent many a happy afternoon at Huntingdon and Towcester. Later in life, both Richard Henry and Simon Mockridge played major roles in my experience and development.

#### Favourite racehorse of all time, and why?

Desert Orchid. I was 10 when he won the Gold Cup and he was a grey who jumped well--everything me and my grey pony at the time aspired to be.



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#### Who will be champion first-season sire in 2023?

Too Darn Hot.

#### Greatest race in the world?

The Derby.

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

MV Magnier. MV works very hard and I would imagine his day-to-day is incredibly diverse from selecting young stock to managing the paths of future champions. I love that diversity.

#### Emerging talent in the industry (human)?

He has already emerged, but at only 24 years old, I am going to say Tom Marquand. I am sure Tom will be champion jockey in the near future.

#### Name a horse *TDN* should have made a Rising Star, and didn't?

Checkandchallenge--I so hope he will provide my brother William with his first Group 1 winner in 2023.

#### Under-the-radar stallion?

Once again, I am not sure quite how under the radar they are, but I think both **Saxon Warrior** and Cracksman are set for big years ahead.





*All the ARQANA team  
wishes you a wonderful 2023*





## Friday night treat?

Chinese takeaway.

## Guilty pleasure outside racing?

Watching Rugby Union.

## Race I wish I'd been there for...

The Wow Signal's Prix Morny Group 1 win. I think I was inspecting yearlings for the Goffs UK Premier sale. Any winner celebrating with John and Sean Quinn is good fun, so I really missed out with his Group 1 win.

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## BRITAIN

### CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**4th-Southwell, £30,000, Cond, 1-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:27.67, st.**

**MANAAFITH (f, 4, Exceed And Excel {Aus}--Almashooqa, by Dubawi {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 7-5-1-0, \$58,897. O-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; B-Shadwell Farm LLC (KY); T-Roger Varian.

**5th-Southwell, £8,000, Nov, 1-1, 3-5yo, 4f 214y (AWT), :58.01, st.**

**PAY FOR ADAAY (GB) (g, 4, Adaay {Ire}--Gracilia {Fr}, by Anabaa)** Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$10,047. O-PCF Racing Ltd; B-D R Tucker (GB); T-Simon Hodgson. \*10,000gns Wlg '19 TATFOA.

**2nd-Southwell, £6,500, Cond, 1-1, 4yo/up, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:40.37, st.**

**WIN WIN POWER (IRE) (g, 6, Exceed And Excel {Aus}--Spesialta {GB}, by Indian Ridge {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 25-3-1-2, \$21,636. O-Honestly Racing; B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE); T-Michael Appleby. \*200,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT; 13,000gns 4yo '21 TATAHI; £2,000 5yo '22 TATASN. \*\*1/2 to Nargys (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}), GSW-Eng, \$100,300.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Saxonhill (Ire), g, 6, Elzaam (Aus)---Blondie's Esteem (Ire), by Mark Of Esteem (Ire).** Southwell, 1-1, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:41.10. Lifetime Record: 12-1-0-0, \$4,950. B-Brian Gallivan (IRE). \*€5,000 Wlg '17 GOFNOV; £4,500 RNA 4yo '21 GOFFUK.



### In Dubai:

**Chosen Mark (Ire), g, 5, The Last Lion (Ire)---She's A Character (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire).** Jebel Ali, 1-1, Handicap, 1400m, 1:25.74. B-R & R Bloodstock. \*£20,000 Ylg '19 GOF AUG.

**Rayig (GB), g, 7, Exceed And Excel (Aus)---Kaabari, by Seeking the Gold.** Jebel Ali, 1-1, Handicap, 1200m, 1:12.23. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd. \*58,000gns Ylg '17 TATOCT; €190,000 2yo '18 GORMAY.

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

**CHINESE CLUB CHALLENGE CUP H.-G3, HK\$3,900,000, Sha Tin, 1-1, 3yo/up, 1400mT, 1:21.43, gd.**

**1--LUCKY SWEYNESSE (NZ), 135, g, 4, by Sweynesse (Aus)**

**1st Dam: Madonna Mia (NZ) (SW-NZ, \$134,764), by Red Clubs (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Hill of Hope (Aus), by Danehill**

**3rd Dam: Macozie (NZ), by Marscay (Aus)**

(NZ\$90,000 2yo '20 NZBRTR). O-Cheng Ming Leung, Cheng Yu Tung, Cheng Mei Mei & Cheng Yu Wai; B-P L Dombroski, Explosive Breeding Ltd & S A Sharrock; T-Manfred Man; J-Zac Purton; HK\$2,223,000. Lifetime Record: 12-8-2-1, HK\$15,955,200. \*Full to Signora Nera (NZ), G1SP-Aus, GSP-NZ, \$145,027. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#) [Click for the free EquineLine.com catalog-style pedigree.](#)

**2--Healthy Happy (Aus), 123, g, 6, Zoustar (Aus)---Lady Lakshmi (Aus), by Lonhro (Aus).** (A\$375,000 Ylg '18 MMGCYS). O-Sin Tung Hing, Sin Yuk Lok & Sin Yuk San; B-Lachlan River Bloodstock (Vic); T-Frankie Lor FC; J-Silvestre de Sousa; HK\$858,000.

**3--The Golden Scenery (Aus), 116, g, 5, Deep Field (Aus)---Saga's Gift (Aus), by Real Saga (Aus).** (A\$4,000 Ylg '19 MMJUN). O-Xiao Tan Ping; B-G Rapisarda (Qld); T-Tony Cruz A S; J-Harry Bentley; HK\$448,500.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1, NK. Odds: 3-5, 87-10, 8-1.

Also Ran: Beauty Joy (Aus), Blaze Warrior, Fantastic Treasure. Scratched: More Than This (GB). [Click for the HKJC.com chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.](#)





## IMPERATRIZ HEADLINES DOMINANT DAY FOR TE AKAU



***Imperatriz returns to winning form as she bests Babylon Berlin in Sunday's G1 Sistema Railway***  
Kirstin Ledington

*By Lydia Symonds*

Talented mare Imperatriz (I Am Invincible) chalked up her third win at the highest level when she produced a memorable performance to win the G1 Railway S. at Te Rapa on Sunday, handing David Ellis' Te Akau Racing a third consecutive win in the race.

Trained by Mark Walker, the 4-year-old mare showed bravery in spades when she wore down runaway leader Babylon Berlin (All Too Hard), eventually beating her by 0.2l. Multiple Group 1 winner Levante (NZ) (Proisir) was another 2l further adrift in third.

The high-class daughter of I Am Invincible had her colours lowered in both the G1 Tarzino Trophy and the G1 Arrowfield Stud Plate, leading Walker to send her for a spell and bring her back for a fresh-up tilt at the Group 1.

After a second placing in a Matamata trial on December 23, Walker's plan came to fruition on Sunday with a brilliant performance.

"I think having her back on top of the ground today was key, and I'm very proud to see the mare come back like this," Walker said. "We've got a great team around us at Te Akau, including three or four who could be great trainers in their own right – and, in time, they will be. It's all come together today (Sunday), and it's a very satisfying result.

"The other big part of it is Opie Bosson (winning jockey). There's no jockey quite like him in New Zealand when it comes to big races, and he's done it again today (Sunday)." In winning the Group 1, Imperatriz handed Te Akau a third consecutive win in the Group 1, with Advantage (Fastnet Rock) and Entriviere (NZ) (Tavistock {NZ}) having won the race in 2021 and 2022 respectively.

### ***Pedigree Notes:***

Bred by Raffles Dancers NZ Ltd, Imperatriz was bought by David Ellis for \$360,000 at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale in 2020 and she is out of winning Shamardal (USA) mare Berimbau, who is herself a half-sister to Listed winner Vinco (I Am Invincible).

With three Group 1 wins to her name, Imperatriz becomes the most elite-level-winning progeny of Yarraman Park Stud resident I Am Invincible.

The stallion is set to be represented by 53 yearlings at this year's Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale, including Lot 186, who is out of a daughter of Shamardal, meaning he is bred on the same cross as Imperatriz.



***A jubilant Opie Bosson aboard Imperatriz***  
Trish Dunell

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**Sunday, Te Rapa, New Zealand**

**RAILWAY S.-G1**, NZ\$300,000, Waikato RC, 1-01, Open Set Weight With, 1200mT, 1:08.90, Good.

1--**IMPERATRIZ (AUS)**, 56.0, m, 4, by **I Am Invincible (Aus)**

1st Dam: **Berimbau (Aus)** (GSP-Aus), by **Shamardal**

2nd Dam: **Percussive (Aus)**, by **Encosta de Lago (Aus)**

3rd Dam: **So Striking (Aus)**, by **Pre Emptive Strike**

(\$360,000 Ylg '20 MM Gold Coast). O-Te Akau Invincible Empress Racing Partnership (Mgr: Karyn Fenton-Ellis Mnzm); B-Raffles Dancers (N Z) Pty Ltd NSW; T-M W Walker; J-O P Bosson; NZ\$172,500. Lifetime Record: 15-10-1-1, NZ\$780,825. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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2--**Babylon Berlin (AUS)**, 54.0, m, 5, All Too Hard (Aus)--

You Can't Say That (Aus), by Fusaichi Pegasus. O-Scott Williams, Ben Foote, Kim Rogers, Samuel Beatson, Cedric Foote & Andrew Stuart; B-Bloodstock Resources Ltd VIC; T-B W Foote; J-K Asano; NZ\$55,500.

3--**Levante**, 57.0, m, 6, Proisir (Aus)--Island Doy (GB), by Doyoun (Ire). O-Mrs C J & P H Brown, A C & Mrs M E Enting, Sandringham Investments Ltd & M J Tapper; B-L Williams, Waikato, NZ; T-K & B Kelso; J-R T Elliot; NZ\$27,000.

Margins: 0.2 len, 2.2 len, 2.7 len

Also Ran: Dragon Leap (Aus), Malt Time (Aus), Justacanta, Letzbeclam (Aus), Johny Johny, One More Time, Mr Jay Eight.



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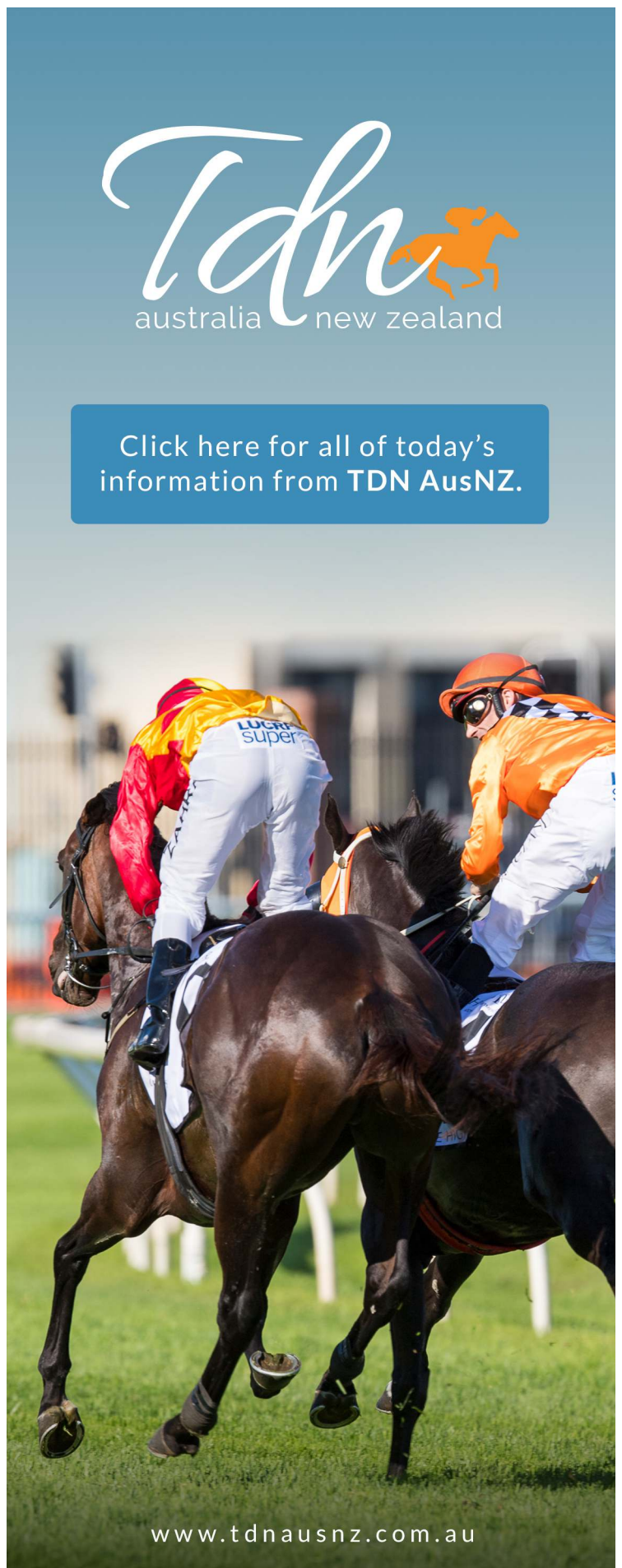
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