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## EMBLEM ROAD MAKES SUCCESSFUL RETURN IN RIYADH



Emblem Road | Horsephotos

by Alan Carasso

Prince Saud bin Salman Abdulaziz's **Emblem Road** (*Quality Road*), who caused one of the biggest upsets of the 2022 racing season anywhere in the world when defeating an international field in the \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup, took a major step towards a defense of that title with a convincing four-length success in a \$25,289 allowance going the one-turn 1600 meters at King Abdulaziz Racetrack in Riyadh Friday.

Drawn gate four and asked to carry 62kg (136 pounds), the mount of Alexis Moreno was clearly last into stride and was guided into the clear inside the opening quarter-mile, then proceeded to improve his position into midfield passing the halfway point. **Cont. p3**

## THORO-GRAPH SUES NYRA OVER DISPUTED \$333K IN ADW PARTNERSHIP *by T.D. Thornton*

A business partnership between performance-figure provider Thoro-Graph, Inc., and the New York Racing Association (NYRA) that had been billed as a "win-win-win" deal for the two parties and advance-deposit wagering (ADW) customers when it first launched in 2017 has gone sour, resulting in a lawsuit filed in New York State Supreme Court.

According to the civil complaint, Thoro-Graph is suing both NYRA and its NYRA Bets ADW platform over the alleged non-payment of at least \$333,000 that Thoro-Graph believes is its rightful cut for incentivizing horseplayers to become NYRA Bets customers via a free, membership-based portal called Thoro-Graph Player Services (TGPS).

Thoro-Graph claimed in its complaint that its portal grew NYRA's betting handle by \$100 million over a roughly five-year span, "solely through the joint venture resulting in \$3 million in revenue" for NYRA.

When the alignment between the two entities was first announced in 2017, the deal was billed as giving Thoro-Graph an ADW partner, while NYRA Bets got a valuable pipeline of new customers.

Horseplayers would benefit too, a TGPS executive **explained at the time of the launch**, because they would get access to "concierge-level support," volume-based wagering rebates, on-track visitation amenities and discounts on Thoro-Graph handicapping products. **Cont. p3**

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The Irish Thoroughbred Stallion Trail began its two-day run on Friday, and Brian Sheerin has the details.

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*Corniche* shows off for breeders paying him a visit at Ashford Stud. Click on the photo to learn why his trainer Bob Baffert believes the champion is a can't-miss opportunity as he launches his stud career. | Sara Gordon

## STUART MORRIS LEAVES HOSPITAL

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*Consignor Stuart Morris, who suffered a stroke on Christmas Eve, has been discharged from the rehabilitation facility where he has been recovering.*

## EPICENTER ARRIVES AT ASHFORD STUD

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*Epicer (Not This Time), the GI Runhappy Travers S. winner who suffered a career-ending injury in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic Nov. 5, arrived at Ashford Stud Friday to begin his stallion career.*

## NEW LAW 'DOES NOT FIX' HISA'S PROBLEMS

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*A plaintiff team headed by the National HBPA argued in a court filing the a new federal law passed two weeks ago to amend the operative language of HISA 'does not fix' three alleged constitutionality issues.*




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**Emblem Road cont. from p1**

Some six or seven wide into the bend, the 5-year-old caught the eye approaching the 600-meter marker as he began to wind up with a menacing run nearing the straight. Racing on his left lead, Emblem Road struck to the lead with about a furlong to travel and was pushed out under mild hands-and-heels encouragement to score by four lengths ([video](#)).

A perennial leading local jockey, Moreno guided Emblem Road to three consecutive scores in 2021 and 2022, including the \$213,000 Prince Faisal Cup, a local Saudi Cup prep, this time last year.

When Moreno elected to retain the mount on King's Cup hero Making Miracles (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) for the Saudi Cup, that opened the door for Wigberto Ramos to take over aboard Emblem Road and the duo came storming down the center of the track to best Country Grammer ([Tonalist](#)) by a half-length, with Midnight Bourbon (Tiznow) third. Making Miracles was fourth.

Emblem Road, \$230,000 Keeneland September yearling and \$80,000 OBS June breezer, was winning for the eighth time from 11 starts overall. He was last seen in France last July when he finished fifth of sixth as the somewhat surprising favorite in the G3 Grand Prix de Vichy, his only start on the turf to date.

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**Thoro-Graph v. NYRA cont. from p1**

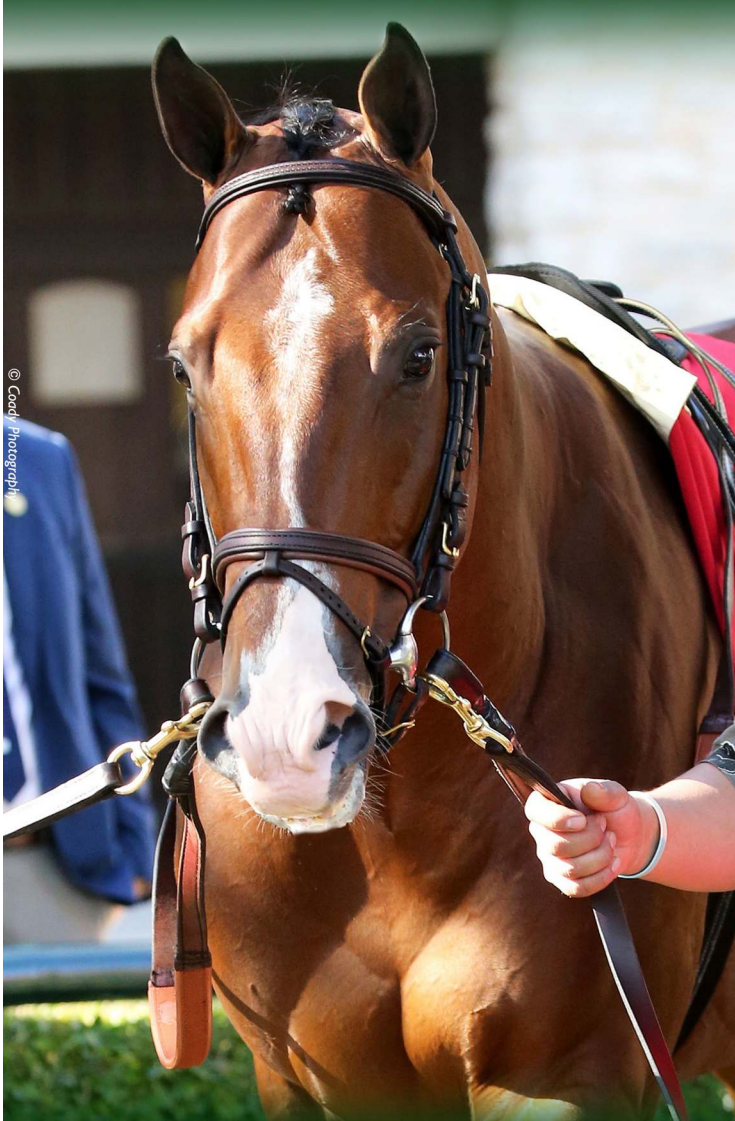
Thoro-Graph's Jerry Brown | Courtesy Jerry Brown

But according to the lawsuit, "Defendant NYRA failed to perform its part of the bargain [by allegedly not paying] Plaintiff its full 50% share of its Net Revenue," wrote Karen Murphy, the attorney for Thoro-Graph, in the Dec. 19, 2022, filing.

"That breach has resulted in hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses to date and has impacted the value of Plaintiff's corporation resulting in additional lost profits to Plaintiff," the complaint stated. **Cont. p4**

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**Thoro-Graph Lawsuit cont.**

The filing stated that the dispute involves how net revenues are calculated: "Plaintiff is entitled to its full 50% share of defendant NYRA's revenue that is generated from the handle wagered on NYRA races by non-New York residents and paid to defendant NYRA. In failing to do so, defendant NYRA is in material breach of its core financial obligation to pay Plaintiff its full revenue share under the terms of the joint venture."

The complaint contended that Thoro-Graph attempted "good faith settlement efforts" to square up the purportedly mounting non-payments, including making a written demand for the money on June 13, 2022, and a meeting

with NYRA representatives to discuss the issue.

"[NYRA's] response was to intimidate Plaintiff with the threat of termination of the joint venture and not to address the failure

to pay Plaintiff its full 50/50 share," the complaint stated.

NYRA then followed through with a letter Dec. 12 giving a 180-day notice of termination of the partnership. That action, in turn, led to Thoro-Graph's lawsuit one week later seeking

"compensatory damages which are no less than \$500,000 [and] estimated additional damages for the remainder of the term of the existing Agreement."

The court has set a Feb. 10 date for the defendants to file a reply. TDN asked a NYRA spokesperson if the racing association or NYRA Bets wished to comment prior to that filing, and also asked how the termination of TGPS might affect horseplayers who use the portal.

"NYRA will honor the terms of confidentiality agreed to by the parties involved and reply to the court by Feb. 10. This contractual

dispute does not and will not impact NYRA customers," Patrick McKenna, NYRA's vice president for communications, wrote in an email. **Cont. p5**

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### Thoro-Graph cont.

The "Termination for Convenience" letter that NYRA served Thoro-Graph is scheduled to become effective June 10.

"That notice of termination has now been issued solely because Plaintiff made it clear it would proceed with legal efforts to protect its rights under the Agreements to receive its full share of compensation," Thoro-Graph's complaint stated.

"Plaintiff performed its obligations under [the contracted terms] by maintaining its website as 'best in class' and offering free and reduced priced Thoro-Graph data which has resulted in NYRA Bets signing up over 1,700 horseplayers. This was accomplished by Plaintiff without any marketing assistance from the NYRA Parties..." the complaint stated.

"In 2017, Plaintiff grew the handle of defendant NYRA Bets by \$3.1 million," Thoro-Graph's court filing stated. "In 2018 Plaintiff's contribution was \$10.7 million; in 2019 the contribution went to \$15.3 million; in 2020 the contribution was \$22.7; in 2021 the contribution reached \$24 million; [At the time the Dec. 19 lawsuit was filed] Plaintiff's contribution [was] on track to reach \$25 million making the total added handle over \$100 million."

Drilling the alleged non-payment issue down further, the complaint stated that NYRA's deduction of an "import host fee" from the net revenue calculation is a chief bone of contention.

The complaint put it this way: "To be clear, what defendant NYRA is claiming is an "import host fee" is simply money RECEIVED by NYRA Bets solely as a result of "Qualifying Wagers" by non-New York residents on NYRA CONTENT and then passed on to and RECEIVED BY DEFENDANT NYRA AS REVENUE."

Attorney Murphy, when reached by the *TDN*, said, "For now, we will let the complaint speak for itself. We will have more to say after NYRA's response."

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### STUART MORRIS LEAVES HOSPITAL

Stuart Morris, who suffered a stroke on Christmas Eve, has been discharged from the rehabilitation facility where he has been recovering, according to a post from Carrie Brogden on his [GoFundMe page](#).

"Stuart and (partner) Patty (Mitchell) are on their way home!!!" Mitchell wrote. "We cannot possibly express the thanks for the support.... financially, emotionally and spiritually. The Thoroughbred horse industry is an amazing place and we all feel lucky to be a part of it."

Morris was transferred from UK Hospital to the Cardinal Hill rehabilitation hospital on Dec. 28, where he has made steady progress in his recovery.

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## Stuart Morris cont.

Thursday, he posted, "The support, calls, visits and prayers from everyone have been overwhelming. I am progressing very well, especially my mobility, balance and leg. I walked two miles here yesterday with a walker and half a mile with a cane. Both were supervised but unassisted. My lower left arm and hand are still very slow to wake up. I feel that's going to be a longer road back. Fortunately, my upper arm is doing very well and hopefully that will continue to my hand sooner rather than later. I will be thankfully going home this weekend and will soon begin months of outpatient work here at Cardinal Hill. We still have a long road to navigate but I am confident we will. Thank you to all for everything. I can't express my gratitude enough and will not waste this second dance card at life. WE WILL WIN."

The GoFundMe page has raised over \$193,000 from 433 individual donors to help with Morris's medical expenses.

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Stuart Morris | Keeneland photo

## EPICENTER ARRIVES AT ASHFORD STUD

Grade I winner **Epicenter** (**Not This Time**), who suffered a displaced condylar fracture to his right front leg during the running of the Nov. 5 GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Keeneland, on Friday was sent to Coolmore's Ashford Stud near Versailles, KY, where he will stand his first season at stud this year, Winchell Thoroughbreds racing manager David Fiske **tweeted**. The winner of last year's GI **Runhappy** Travers. S. and GI Jim Dandy S. had been recuperating from the injury and subsequent surgery, conducted by Dr. Larry Bramlage at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital Nov. 6, at Rebecca Maker's Shantera Farm.

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# WAR FRONT

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Temple City	13	8
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## Epicenter Arrives at Coolmore cont.

**Epicenter**, who also won the GII Risen Star S. and finished second behind Rich Strike (Keen Ice) in the GI Kentucky Derby and **Early Voting** (**Gun Runner**) in the GI Preakness S. for trainer Steve Asmussen, ended his career with a record of 11-6-3-0 and \$2,940,639 in earnings. He is a finalist for the Eclipse Award as 2022's top 3-year-old male.

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**Epicenter** | *Coglianese Photo*

## WHITE ABARRIO WORK TOWARDS PEGASUS



**White Abarrio** | *Coglianese*

C2 Racing Stable LLC and La Milagrosa Stable LLC's **White Abarrio** (Race Day) tuned up for his expected next start in the Jan. 28 GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S. with a five-furlong move over the Gulfstream Park main track Friday morning that was timed in :59.24.

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**White Abarrio cont.**

"It was a good solid work. Tyler [Gaffalione] was on him this morning. He was in good order, finished well," said trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. "He had a good gallop-out. We're pleased with where we're at. Things have gone well so far. We need another good 15 days.

"I think right now, coming into this race, he's as good as ever," the Barbadian conditioner added. "He's coming off his best race number-wise. That was the fastest he ever ran, even faster than his wins. So, he's coming off his fastest race; he's had good spacing and runs well fresh; and he's coming back to the track he's 4-for-4 on. I think everything is aligning properly."

Narrowly beaten into third when last seen in the GI Cigar Mile H. at Aqueduct in early December, the 4-year-old is one of three from his barn on the Pegasus invitation list. He is joined by recent GIII Harlan's Holiday S. hero **Skippy Longstocking** (Exaggerator) and **O'Connor (Chi)** (Boboman). Both are scheduled to work Saturday.

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## SANTA ANITA CANCELS HOLIDAY MONDAY PROGRAM



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With additional rain forecast in the area, officials at Santa Anita have announced the cancellation of the live card originally programmed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 16. As was announced when the track revealed that the Saturday, Jan. 14 program was also to be called off, racing will take place Friday, Jan. 20, originally a dark day due to the holiday racing.

Santa Anita will remain open as planned for live racing this Sunday, Jan. 15, highlighted by the redrawn GIII La Canada S., which was transferred from Saturday.

*Daily Racing Form* reported that no turf races will be run Sunday, nor were there races carded for the turf on Monday, resulting in a shortage of entries for the remaining dirt races.

According to tweets from the National Weather Service Los Angeles account, the total expected rainfall Friday night into Saturday in nearby Pasadena was predicted at 1.42", with slightly less amounts farther to the south in the downtown area. An additional one-half to one inch of precipitation was forecast for the second weather system Sunday into Tuesday, with wind gusts of up to 45 mph.

With sunnier skies predicted for next week, Santa Anita plans to run Saturday and Sunday in addition to the make-up card on Friday.


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## KITODAN NAMED 2022 CLAIMING HORSE OF THE YEAR

Turf specialist Kitodan (Point of Entry), who went from being claimed twice last year to winning Kentucky Downs's GIII \$750,000 Big Ass Fans Dueling Grounds Derby, has been selected the National HBPA's 2022 Claiming Horse of the Year, the group announced Friday morning.

"We are blessed that we were able to claim that kind of horse compared to where we were just a few years ago," said western Kentucky-based trainer Eric Foster, whose wife Brooklyn's Foster Family Racing and partners Doug Miller and Bill Wargel campaign the now 4-year-old colt after claiming him for \$80,000 in May. "We're really happy and humble to own him and thank the National HBPA for having this award. Winning Claiming Horse of the Year came out of the blue, but we are honored and so proud of Kitodan. People like us, we can't go to the Keeneland sale, pick the ones we want and hold our hand up until we come home with them."

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## Kitodan cont.

Kitodan will be honored at the awards luncheon Tuesday, Mar. 7, as part of the annual National Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Conference Mar. 6-10 at the historic Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans's French Quarter.

"Kitodan exemplifies what we look for in the National HBPA Claiming Horse of the Year," said Todd Mostoller, chair of the National HBPA's awards committee. "He ran at five different tracks on grass, synthetic and dirt and showed that it's better for a racehorse to have a big heart than a big price tag while going from three claiming races to graded-stakes winner. We love these stories. It gives hope to horsemen everywhere that you don't have to buy six- and seven-figure babies to come up with a good horse."



Kitodan winning the 2022 Dueling Grounds Derby | Coady Photo

Kitodan, a \$9,000 yearling purchase, made money for his three sets of owners as a 3-year-old. After running in stakes at age 2 for Joker Racing, Kitodan was claimed in his first start of 2022 for \$35,000 by trainer Mike Maker on behalf of owners Paradise Farms Corp. and David Staudacher, who campaigned 2021 Claiming Horse of the Year Special Reserve. Kitodan promptly won another optional allowance race at Churchill Downs while again in for the \$35,000 claiming price before taking Turfway Park's \$200,000 Rushaway S. by 3 3/4 lengths.

When Maker subsequently ran Kitodan for the \$80,000 price tag in an optional claiming race at Churchill Downs, Foster was the only one to put in a claim.

The partners recovered their investment just three weeks later when Kitodan won Churchill's \$200,000 Audubon S. at 40-1 odds, and went on to win at a mile and five-sixteenths in the Dueling Grounds race.

"It's one of those things you only dream about in racing to come up with a horse like this," said Miller, of Junction, Ill. "If we were trying to do this individually, we wouldn't even have

thought about it. Partnering gave us the opportunity."

It was the first graded-stakes victory for the owners and by far the biggest purse.

"There are a lot of people who have a lot more money and investment in the horses and never get this kind of horse," said Wargel, of Ridgway, Ill., 50 miles from Kentucky's Ellis Park. "We're just old farm boys, me and Doug. Whether we never have another one or that horse never wins another race, he made a dream come true for us."

Foster said that Kitodan winning Claiming Horse of the Year is a team award that includes his partners who made it possible, along with the trainer's staff and family, who help with the stable.

"We would never want to accept an award like this without thanking Juan Medina," Foster said of his assistant trainer. "He not only takes care of Kitodan but is also his regular exercise rider. We also very appreciative to (jockey) Geraldo Corrales and his agent Cliff Collier."

Kitodan is getting time off at Foster's farm in Utica, Ky., near Owensboro, with a major goal being Kentucky Downs' \$1 million GII Kentucky Turf Cup in September and hopefully a trip to Santa Anita for the \$4 million GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf, a race he missed last year with a minor leg issue.

"He's probably put on 100, 150 pounds. The time off has really done him some good," Foster said. "We're hoping to start back with him at the end of February. We'd love to get back to Kentucky Downs."

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## CARAVEL NAMED 2022 TOP MIDLANTIC-BRED



Caravel | Jim McCue

In the final *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred/The Racing Biz* poll of 2022, GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint heroine **Caravel** (Mizzen Mast) was named 2022's Top Midlantic-bred. The honor marked the fifth straight year the Top Midlantic-bred was also a Breeders' Cup winner.

In addition to her Breeders' Cup triumph, the Pennsylvania-bred daughter of Zeezee Zoomzoom (Congrats) racked up a record of 8-5-0-0 for earnings of \$930,983, which included wins in the GIII Franklin County S. and GIII Intercontinental S. She is the sixth Pennsylvania-bred to win a Breeders' Cup race, joining Go For Wand, Tikkanen, Alphabet Soup, Finest City, and Shamrock Rose.

"Breeders all over the region are breeding outstanding horses," Cricket Goodall, executive director of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association, said. "It's important to take a moment to reflect on and celebrate those achievements."

Caravel, who is owned by Sheik Fahad's Qatar Racing, Marc Detampel and Madaket Stables and trained by Brad Cox, was scheduled to be sold at Keeneland in November but was withdrawn with plans for a 6-year-old campaign, which includes a trip to Royal Ascot and a defense of her title in the Breeders' Cup.

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## APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR AMPLIFY MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Applications for the sprint 2023 intake of the Amplify Horse Racing Mentorship Program is now open through Friday, Feb. 3. The program connects youth and young adults interested in the Thoroughbred industry with experienced industry professionals who can offer career guidance. Mentee candidates should demonstrate a desire to learn and an interest in working in the equine industry. The suggested age range is 15-25, with no restrictions based on academic achievement.

Since its launch in 2021, the Amplify Horse Racing Mentorship Program has produced nearly 30 graduates, and propelled its participants to jobs, internships and educational pursuits within various fields of the equine industry. These include media, racetrack and farm work, pari-mutuel wagering, sales, ownership, and veterinary medicine. Notably, the program has accepted mentees from 17 different states and territories.

"In a relatively short period of time, this program has inspired many young people who might not have known they have a place in the Thoroughbred industry, and given them direction on what avenue they want to take," said Amplify executive director Annise Montplaisir. "This year we are excited to offer travel awards through the program so that a few dedicated mentees have the opportunity to experience the industry first-hand."

To learn more about the program and apply today, visit [www.amplifyhorseracing.org/mentorship](http://www.amplifyhorseracing.org/mentorship), or contact [info@amplifyhorseracing.org](mailto:info@amplifyhorseracing.org) for more information. Amplify will open applications for the fall program intake in June.

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## HBPA PLAINTIFFS TELL FIFTH CIRCUIT NEW LAW 'DOES NOT FIX' HISA'S PROBLEMS

by T. D. Thornton

As the Fifth Circuit United States Court of Appeals weighs a motion by the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) Authority to **vacate its recent opinion** that HISA is unconstitutional, a plaintiff team led by the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (NHBPA) on Friday urged the court not to do that, arguing that a new federal law passed two weeks ago to amend the operative language of HISA "does not fix" three alleged constitutionality issues.

"This Court's opinion identified three distinct problems with HISA: 'An agency does not have meaningful oversight if it does not write the rules, cannot change them, and cannot second-guess their substance,'" the NHBPA and its co-plaintiffs wrote in a Jan. 13 response.

"Congress's recent tweak to HISA fails to fix the second problem and does nothing to address the first problem or the third," the filing continued.

"Under the amended HISA the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) still cannot initiate new rules and still cannot second-guess their substance beyond 'consistency review.' And though it can now modify promulgated rules, the Authority's rules will govern

for a while even if the FTC eventually changes them," the response stated.

"In addition, the amendment reduces the FTC's oversight by eliminating the commission's power to issue interim final rules [and] ultimately, the overall purpose of HISA remains to delegate legislative power to a private corporation to 'develop and implement' programs to regulate the horseracing industry," the filing stated.

"The prior [Fifth Circuit] opinion was a correct statement of the law and the facts at the time it was issued, and the Authority has not borne its substantial burden to show the 'extraordinary remedy' of vacatur is equitable in this instance," the response stated.

The underlying lawsuit was initiated by the NHBPA and 12 of its affiliates against personnel from the HISA Authority and the FTC on Mar. 15, 2021, bringing anti-constitutionality claims under the private-nondelegation doctrine, public nondelegation doctrine, Appointments Clause, and the Due Process Clause.

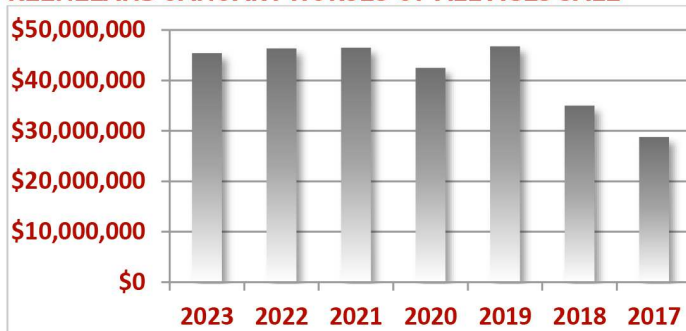
On Mar. 31, 2022, a U.S. District Court judge dismissed that suit, writing in an order that "despite its novelty, [HISA] as constructed stays within current constitutional limitations as defined by the Supreme Court and the Fifth Circuit."

The HBPA plaintiffs appealed that decision, leading to the Fifth Circuit's **reversal on Nov. 18**.

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2021	1,608	1,223	998	24.0%	81.6%	62.0%	\$46,482,600	\$46,576
2020	1,856	1,338	1,108	28.0%	82.8%	59.7%	\$42,487,500	\$38,346
2019	1,555	1,181	916	24.1%	77.6%	58.9%	\$46,759,000	\$51,048
2018	1,583	1,227	909	22.5%	74.0%	57.4%	\$34,996,000	\$38,499
2017	1,893	1,401	961	26.0%	68.6%	50.8%	\$28,785,500	\$29,954



**HBP A Filing cont.**

But by amending HISA and passing it into law as part of a much broader year-end spending bill, the HISA Authority argued in its Jan. 3, 2023, "motion to vacate" that Congress and the President have done their parts to clear up any lingering constitutional ambiguity, and now the Fifth Circuit is obliged to do its duty to "say what the law is" with regard to the rewritten HISA.

Also on Jan. 13, the state of Texas and its racing commission (both of which had been allowed to join the plaintiffs as "intervenor" with an interest in the outcome), filed a separate response to the HISA Authority's motion to vacate.

"This Court should deny the Authority's motion," the Texas plaintiffs stated. "Because the Authority tellingly does *not* assert that Congress's amendment moots this lawsuit...immediate vacatur is not warranted. Instead, as this Court has already remanded the case for further proceedings in the district court, this Court likely should follow its ordinary practice, issue its mandate, and allow the district court to consider the HISA amendment's impact on the merits of this suit in the first instance."

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**QUEEN LETRUSKA CONFIRMED FOR CURLIN THIS YEAR**

**Letruska** | Sarah Andrew

MGISW **Letruska** (Super Saver) will be covered by **Curlin** in 2023, the two-time Horse of the Year who stands at Hill 'n' Dale Farms in Paris, Kentucky, reported *DRF en Espanol* on Thursday.

"The plan is for Letruska to be shipped to Hill n' Dale Farm next month or early March where she will visit **Curlin**," the mare's former trainer Fausto Gutierrez said. "I am super happy with this choice. I have always been a big fan of **Curlin** as a runner, and now of course, as a stallion."

Now seven years old, the 2021 Eclipse Award Champion Older Dirt Female retired last year with 19 wins in 28 starts and earnings of \$3,053,529. The champion mare was a two-time winner of the GI Apple Blossom H. at Oaklawn Park, and she also recorded Grade I victories in the Ogden Phipps S. at Belmont Park, the Personal Ensign S. at Saratoga, and the Juddmonte Spinster S. at Keeneland.

With an advertised stud fee of \$225,000, **Curlin** has established himself as one of the most important stallions of this generation, including siring Grade I winners like Malathaat, Clairiere, Nest, Elite Power, and Cody's Wish, that are all finalists for this year's Eclipse Awards to be held Jan. 26 in Palm Beach, Fla.

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**LONGINES CEREMONY TO BE LIVE STREAMED**

The 2022 Longines World Racing Awards ceremony will be live-streamed on the social media accounts of Longines and the International Federation of Horse Racing Authorities, the IFHA announced Friday. The ceremony is scheduled to be Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 2:15 British time, and 9:15 a.m. EST. The event will honor the Longines World's Best Racehorse and the Longines World's Best Horse Race of the 2022 season.

The in-person event will take place at Banqueting House in London. This year marked the 400th anniversary of the building, which is one of the Historic Royal Palaces and is the only surviving portion of the lost Palace of Whitehall.



## World Racing Awards cont.

The live stream of the ceremony will be released on multiple digital platforms including World Horse Racing. Additionally, multiple other racing industry players from around the globe will show the awards, including the *TDN* on its homepage, and on our social media channels.

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## TERF AWARDS \$10K TO TRF

*Edited Press Release*

The Thoroughbred Education and Research Foundation (TERF) has awarded \$10,000 to the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation (TRF) to be used for educational reasons.

In 2021, TERF funding provided for the accreditation of the vocational instructors in the Groom Elite Program. In alignment with their mission to support and promote equine education by supporting organizations that are educating the public on the proper care of horses, TERF offers their financial assistance in 2022. TRF will use the funds to purchase teaching aides and equipment to enhance the learning experience as the incarcerated individuals move through the Groom Elite Curriculum offered at the TRF's Second Chances Programs. TRF's goal is to provide standardized level of education at each facility, educate inmates on proper care of thoroughbreds, and create higher skilled individuals who can receive gainful employment upon release from prison.

TRF Executive Director Pat Stickney comments, "The staff and board of TRF are extremely grateful to the Thoroughbred Education and Research Foundation for their continued support of our Second Chances Program. This funding enables us to enhance the learning experience of the men, women, and youths who participate in this transformational program. With the assistance from TERF, we can further expand our Second Chances Programs so that we can continue to change lives while saving more horses."

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## APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER INTERNS

Applications for The Jockey Club's summer internship program for college students and recent college graduates will open Tuesday, Jan. 17. The program will accommodate up to three interns.

"The first two years of our internship program were very successful," said Matt Iuliano, executive vice president and executive director of The Jockey Club. "The interns have been intelligent and motivated, and they have all done a tremendous job working within The Jockey Club companies.

They will be an asset to any organization within our industry, which is the goal of the program."

Interns will gain exposure to all companies and departments within the organization, and they will have the opportunity to spend additional time in areas that they find to be of particular interest. The program will last eight weeks.

The internships will take place in The Jockey Club's offices located in Lexington, Ky., and New York, N.Y. For more information and to view the application, interested candidates should visit [The Jockey Club](#) website. Applications are being accepted through Feb. 17, 2023. Selected interns will be notified in early April 2023.

## MIND CONTROL ANCHORS ROCKRIDGE STALLION ROSTER



**Mind Control (inside)** | Sarah Andrew

**Mind Control** (Stay Thirsty--Feel That Fire, by Lightnin N Thunder), who closed his career with a battling victory in the GI Cigar Mile H., will anchor the 2023 stallion roster at Rockridge Stud, where he will stand for \$8,500 LFSN as a joint venture between Irish Hill/Dutchess View Farm, Waldorf Farm and Hidden Lake Farm.

The farm's other stallions with their stud fees (all LFSN) are: **AI Khali** (Medaglia d'Oro, \$2,500); **A Shin Forward** (Forest Wildcat), \$2,500); **Disco Partner** (Disco Rico, \$4,000); **Frank Conversation** (Quality Road, private); **Slumber (GB)** (Cacique {Ire} \$7,500); **Tourist** (Tiznow, \$3,500).

Rockridge will host a stallion show Saturday, Jan. 28 from noon to 2 p.m. A lunch buffet will be served as will a raffle for free seasons to each stallion at the show (winner must be present).

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## GOLDEN GATE ADDS TRIO OF CAL-BRED STAKES

Officials at Golden Gate Fields, the CTBA (California Thoroughbred Breeders Association) and the TOC (Thoroughbred Owners of California) have joined forces to add three stakes races to the 2023 Golden Gate winter/spring meet schedule.

Nominations close Thursday, Jan. 19 for the inaugural Moscow Burning S. for Cal-bred and -sired fillies and mares at a mile on the Tapeta track. The race takes place Saturday, Jan. 28. On Saturday, Mar. 18, Golden Gate presents the first edition of the McCann's Mojave S., for state-bred 4-year-olds and upward at one mile and an eighth on the Tapeta. The final stakes of the winter/spring meet is also the last of the three newly added California-bred stakes: the \$75,000 Dream of Summer S. for fillies and mares 3-years-old and up at five furlongs on turf. The race will be run on closing day Sunday, June 11. All three stakes will have a guaranteed purse of \$75,000 each.

"We're thrilled to add these races to our stakes schedule," said Golden Gate Director of Racing and Racing Secretary Steve Martinelli. "We have a couple of Golden State Series races in April, but we wanted to give opportunities to other divisions here in Northern California. Southern California has an awful lot of them, and we wanted to add a few more up here."

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**Sunday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 6:30 p.m. EST**

**LA CANADA S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Kirstenbosch	<b>Midnight Lute</b>	Keith Abrahams	Sadler	Kimura	120
2	Angel Nadeshiko 	Carpe Diem	U.S. Equine	Gallagher	Espinoza	120
3	Ganadora 	<b>Quality Road</b>	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Velazquez	122
4	Smoothlikebuttah	Mr. Big	Robert A. Bach & William Tassar	Knapp	Pereira	120
5	Natural Colour (GB)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Ronald L.Charles & Samuel Gordon	Badilla	Prat	122
6	Under the Stars	Pioneerof the Nile	Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, & Derrick Smith	Baffert	Hernandez	124

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## 2022 Leading Third-Crop Sires by Earnings

for stallions standing in North America through Saturday, Dec. 31

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

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Not This Time</b> (2014) by <i>Giant's Causeway</i> FYR: 2018	14	28	7	15	2	3	167	101	2,810,000	12,850,409
										<i>Epicenter</i>	
2	<b>Nyquist</b> (2013) by <i>Uncle Mo</i> FYR: 2018	11	24	4	9	--	3	187	84	659,250	8,095,094
										<i>Slow Down Andy</i>	
3	<b>Frosted</b> (2012) by <i>Tapit</i> FYR: 2018	7	19	1	5	--	1	220	100	263,677	6,908,185
										<i>Macron</i>	
4	<b>Speightster</b> (2012) by <i>Speightstown</i> FYR: 2018	5	9	--	3	--	--	203	125	204,943	6,880,930
										<i>Sheriff Bianco</i>	
5	<b>Upstart</b> (2012) by <i>Flatter</i> FYR: 2018	6	13	2	4	1	3	127	81	1,385,500	6,615,566
										<i>Zandon</i>	
6	<b>Exaggerator</b> (2013) by <i>Curlin</i> FYR: 2018	4	6	1	1	--	1	220	114	724,310	5,951,578
										<i>Skippy Longstocking</i>	
7	<b>Runhappy</b> (2012) by <i>Super Saver</i> FYR: 2018	6	10	--	4	--	1	166	87	453,188	5,527,135
										<i>Joyful Cadence</i>	
8	<b>Laoban</b> (2013) by <i>Uncle Mo</i> FYR: 2018	6	13	1	3	--	2	117	55	660,250	5,028,020
										<i>Un Ojo</i>	
9	<b>Outwork</b> (2013) by <i>Uncle Mo</i> FYR: 2018	3	11	1	2	1	1	146	88	598,650	4,729,085
										<i>Leave No Trace</i>	
10	<b>Mshawish</b> (2010) by <i>Medaglia d'Oro</i> FYR: 2018	3	8	1	1	--	--	116	70	154,140	3,144,284
										<i>I Am the Law</i>	
11	<b>Uncle Lino</b> (2013) by <i>Uncle Mo</i> FYR: 2018	1	4	--	--	--	--	86	50	194,880	3,115,303
										<i>Far Mo Power</i>	
12	<b>Tourist</b> (2011) by <i>Tiznow</i> FYR: 2018	3	7	1	4	--	--	113	53	171,590	2,994,020
										<i>I Can Run</i>	
13	<b>Mosler</b> (2011) by <i>War Front</i> FYR: 2018	1	3	--	--	--	--	82	48	181,066	2,914,832
										<i>Response Time</i>	
14	<b>War Dancer</b> (2010) by <i>War Front</i> FYR: 2018	2	7	1	2	--	--	87	39	271,020	2,873,810
										<i>Dancing Buck</i>	
15	<b>Jess's Dream</b> (2012) by <i>Curlin</i> FYR: 2018	1	5	--	--	--	--	96	52	94,868	2,585,492
										<i>W W Crazy</i>	

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## JAN. 14 INSIGHTS: PLETCHER PAIR OF UNCLE MO COLTS DEBUT AT GULFSTREAM

by J.N. Campbell

5th-GP, \$84k, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 2:09 p.m. ET



Sgt. Pepper | Fasig-Tipton

Missourians Robert and Lawana Low purchased **SGT. PEPPER** (**Uncle Mo**) for \$1.6 million at the 2021 FTSAUG sale. Bred by Bobby Flay Thoroughbreds, he will make his debut sprinting on the dirt with Lasix in South Florida for the Todd Pletcher barn. Sgt. Pepper, the 5-2 morning-line favorite, is a half-brother to GSW Spice Is Nice (**Curlin**), who fetched \$1.05 million from these same connections at the 2018 KEESEP sale. Sgt. Pepper's dam Dame Dorothy (Bernardini), owned and campaigned by Bobby Flay, was herself a GISW. **TJCIS PPs.**

8th-GP, \$84k, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 3:37 p.m. ET

Another Pletcher-trained **Uncle Mo** colt will head to the post for the first time on Saturday. The 7-2 morning-line favorite **KINGSBARN** (**Uncle Mo**), an \$800,000 purchase by Spendthrift Farm at last year's FTFMAR sale, is out of GSP Lady **Tapit** (**Tapit**). His female family boasts several black-type winners, including GISW Gozzip Girl (Dynaformer).

The Shug McGaughey-trained **Weyhill Road** (**Quality Road**), a \$1.6-million KEESEP graduate and half to GISW and successful young sire **Girvin** (**Tale of Ekati**), returns to the track after finishing a well-beaten fourth on debut at Keeneland Oct. 21. **TJCIS PPs.**

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8th-Oaklawn, \$104,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-13, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.76, ft, 6 lengths.

**Klassy Bridgette** (f, 3, **Army Mule**--**Klassy Katlyn**, by **Saint Ballado**), second in her first two trips to the post in Kentucky last fall, went one better with first-time Lasix in the Oaklawn mud Dec. 11. Favored at even-money to put them back to back here, she raced in a close fifth on the inside as they bunched up through an opening quarter in :22.67. The dark bay punched through an opening along the rail at the top of the stretch and was long gone from there. It was six lengths back to U Glow Girl (**Girvin**) in second. Klassy Bridgette is the most recent offspring for Klassy Katlyn. Sales history: \$30,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$70,000 2yo '22 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$167,775. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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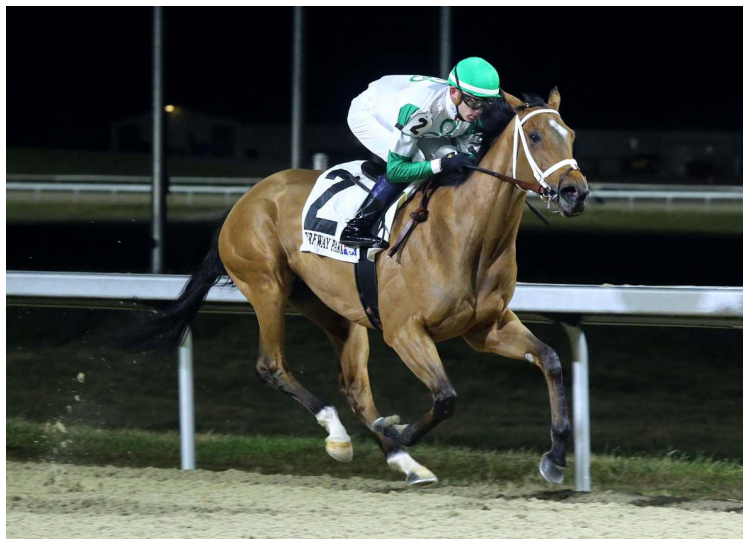
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**7th-Turfway, \$74,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-12, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:37.89, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.**

**BOTANICAL (f, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Daisy {GSW, \$162,925}, by Blame)** strolled to the front as the heavy 1-4 favorite here, put up :23.98 and 48:32 early splits, and never looked back, striding home to pick up her second victory in a row on her seasonal bow. Last out over track and trip Nov. 30, her first time on a synthetic surface, she found the conditions to her liking to the tune of 10 3/4 lengths in victory. She placed second behind next-out stakes winner Junipermarshmallow (**Quality Road**) over the turf at Keeneland last fall. Out of GIII Tempted S. victress Daisy, Botanical is the flag bearer for the mare, who also had a pair of half-brothers to the winner--a 2-year-old by Omaha Beach and a yearling by Into Mischief. She went back to that sire for 2023. Sales history: \$220,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$105,850. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-LNJ Foxwoods & Clearsky Farms; B-Clearsky Farms & Godolphin (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.



Botanical | Coady Photography

**7th-Gulfstream, \$74,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 1-13, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.27, fm, neck.**

**ENGLISH BEE (g, 7, English Channel--Evil Kitten {GSP, \$234,414}, by Kitten's Joy),** winner of the 2019 GIII Virginia Derby, competed last year in several turf stakes in Florida with his best finish, a third, coming in the GIII Canadian Turf S. at Gulfstream Park Mar. 4. After a fifth-place finish in the GII Dinner Party S. at Pimlico on the Preakness undercard, the veteran runner went to the bench for Graham Motion. Starting his 7-year-old campaign after the layoff here, the 5-1 shot was taken back to second around the clubhouse turn as longshot Proven Strategies (**Sky Mesa**) showed the way at :24.58 for the first quarter-mile and :48.63 for the half. Rounding the far turn,

the field began to reel in the leader, and with a sweeping motion, English Bee and Sky's Not Falling (Seville {Ger}) burst to the front. Down the lane, the chestnut kept on, and had just enough as the hard-charging even-money favorite Mouillage (Fr) (Toronado {Ire}) roared in to only miss by a neck. The winner's dam was bred to the late turf champion English Channel on two separate occasions, and the results were both fillies--a 2-year-old and a yearling. Evil Kitten was bred to Mshawish for 2023. Lifetime Record: GSW, 28-7-3-3, \$559,550. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-H. Graham Motion.

**Lynwood Stable Graduate**

**8th-Gulfstream, \$72,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 1-13, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.59, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.**

**NITROUS CHANNEL (c, 4, Nyquist--Laurenmychangelgirl, by Afleet Alex)** earned an eye-catching 94 Beyer in his unveiling score Feb. 5 last season at this track, and went on to finish second behind Provocateur (Into Mischief) in the Hutcheson S. Mar. 19. That winner went on to place in the GI Woody Stephens behind MGISW Jack Christopher (Munnings) and MGISP Pappacap (**Gun Runner**). Gone until Dec. 17 from that effort, he returned to place second with first-time blinkers in a sloppy six-furlong dash at this venue behind a far more seasoned rival after Tyler Gaffalione lost his whip at the eighth pole. Enthusiastically supported to the tune of 4-5 favoritism here, Nitrous Channel took control and never relinquished it, roused around the turn to fend off a challenge, but safely holding a closing Judge Davis (Distorted Humor) to a 1 1/2-length margin in the lane. A \$625,000 FTFMAR graduate, the victor is his dam's first black-type earner. He has a 2-year-old half-brother by **Good Magic** and the dam lost her 2022 **Connect** foal. She went back to **Good Magic** for this season. Sales history: \$200,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL; \$625,000 2yo '21 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-2-0, \$107,610. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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**8th-Laurel, \$52,920, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$62,500),** 1-13, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.16, gd, 10 1/2 lengths.

**PHAROAH'S BABY GYAL (f, 3, **American Pharoah**--Baby J {GSW, \$324,333}, by J Be K)** broke her maiden two back Oct. 6 in an off-turf baby dash over this track, scoring by 2 1/4 lengths as the even-money favorite over a pair of next-out winners. She came in fifth last out Nov. 14 to cap her juvenile year. Back at a mile for this seasonal bow with first-time Lasix, she was sent off the narrow 2-1 second choice behind favored Coal Mine (**Mineshaft**). Leaving the gates well to set the pace from the inside path, she never looked like anything but the winner, putting up :24.77, :48.90, and 1:14.01 splits largely in peace before receiving a left-hand reminder in upper stretch, and leaving her rivals in her wake by 10 1/2 lengths. Coal Mine held on to finish second by a head. Out of an accomplished half-sister to GISP Laureate Conductor (Bernstein), a 12-time winner in his own right, Pharoah's Baby Gyal is the most recent to get her picture taken. She has a yearling full-brother and Baby J visited **Mendelssohn** for 2023. This is the extended female family of GISP Hot Brush (Broad Brush). Sales history: \$42,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$75,620. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-G S S Tbred, LLC; B-Lynn B. Schiff (KY); T-Brittany T. Russell.

**7th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000),** 1-13, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:49.71, gd, neck.

**TRAIL RIDGE ROAD (f, 4, **Point of Entry**--Summerlin, by Lost Soldier)** won by over five lengths at first asking last season in a turf mile maiden at Hawthorne before picking up her second victory, and accompanying black-type, Oct. 8 in the local state-bred Illini Princess S. at slightly longer distance. Third last out Dec. 2 in her first try on the dirt against state-bred optional claiming company, Trail Ridge Road returned to the turf and tried her hoof against open optional claiming competition here, sent away at 7-2. She rallied fast from fifth, hitting upper stretch on the wrong lead in the final sixteenth, and forging to a neck victory over Soft Touch (**Uncle Mo**). A half to SP Beyond Proper (**Munnings**), the victress has a 2-year-old half-sister Surprise Me Again (**Dialed In**). Their dam visited Qurbaan for 2023. Lifetime Record: SW, 6-3-1-1, \$130,900. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Team Block (IL); T-Chris M. Block.



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**6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$25,500, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000),** 1-13, 3yo, 1m 40y, 1:41.05, gd, 1 length.

**PRAIRIE HAWK (c, 3, **Curlin**--Princess Ash, by Indian Charlie)** started his sophomore season with a frontrunning score at 3-1 odds in a short field of four. Tiring to sixth on unveiling at Gulfstream Oct. 15 last season when trying six panels, the half-brother to Quip (Distorted Humor), MGSW & GISP, \$1,084,339 broke out of the maiden ranks Dec. 2 when he stepped up to 1m 40yds over the Tampa main track, and kicked home 2 3/4 lengths on top. Back at track and trip here with first-time Lasix, Prairie Hawk secured his spot in the two path through the first turn, and led the field from his inside spot up the backstretch behind a :50 flat half. Saving all the ground through the final bend, he opened up on 8-1 longshot Groveland (**Street Sense**) and held his one-length advantage to the wire as the favorite and second choices wilted to fourth and third, respectively. Out of a half-sister to GISP Normandy Invasion (**Tapit**), Prairie Hawk is her newest winner. He has a yearling half-sister by Distorted Humor and Princess Ash is expecting a foal by Maclean's Music this season. Sales history: \$350,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$30,700. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Peachtree Stable & WinStar Farm LLC; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.





**1st-Santa Anita, \$69,000, (S), Msw, 1-13, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.07, gd, 3/4 length.**

**SHOCKING GREY (f, 4, Grazen--Seoul Unbridled, by Unbridled's Song)**, thrice a bridesmaid last season against state-bred company--twice sprinting over this course and once at a mile at Del Mar Nov. 27 to cap her 2022 campaign, broke through here as the 1-2 favorite despite stumbling on her way out of the blocks. Quickly settling three off the fence in sixth, she loomed the threat from four deep on the far turn and took command in upper stretch to clear Smart Monique (Grazen) by 3/4 lengths late. A half to Unbridled Ethos (Mizzen Mast), SP, \$157,145, Shocking Grey has a 3-year-old half-sister Engaging Soul (Mr. Big), and a 2-year-old half-sister Thirsty Soul (Stay Thirsty) who is the final registered foal thus far for their dam. Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, \$78,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Donald J. Valpredo (CA); T-Jeff Mullins, Jr.



#### IN SAUDI ARABIA:

**Ready to Connect, c, 3, Connect--Mary's Follies (MGSW, \$338,889), by More Than Ready. King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Hcp., 2000m. B-Paul Pompa Jr (KY). \*Won by 13 lengths. \*\*\$185,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$425,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$180,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. \*\*\*1/2 to Night Prowler (Giant's Causeway), MGSW, \$535,682; Regal Glory (Animal Kingdom), 'TDN Rising Star', MGISW, \$2,619,134; and Cafe Pharoah (**American Pharoah**), MG1SW-Jpn, \$3,414,646. VIDEO (SC 6)**

**Almulhem, c, 3, More Than Ready--Morrow Cove (MSW, \$182,610), by Yes It's True. King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Allowance, 2000m. B-More Than Ready Syndicate, Paul Tackett Revocable Trust, Phil Tackett Estate et al (KY). \*\$150,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$60,000 2yo '22 OBSJUN. VIDEO (SC 12)**

**Electability, g, 4, Quality Road--Spindle, by Hard Spun. King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Prince Naif Ben A/Aziz Cup (KSA-G2, NBT), 1600m. B-Purple H Bloodstock (KY). \*Won by 6 1/2 lengths. \*\*\$300,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$330,000 HRA '22 FTKJUL. \*\*\*GSP-US. \*\*\*\*1/2 to Chiseler (**Speightstown**), SP.**

**VIDEO (SC 4)**

**Emblem Road, h, 5, Quality Road--Venturini, by Bernardini. King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Allowance, 1600m. B-Brushy Hill LLC (KY). \*G1SW-KSA. \*\*\$230,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '20 OBSJUN. VIDEO (SC 4)**



#### IN BAHRAIN:

**Mobaadel, g, 5, Speightstown--Maggy's Melody, by Unbridled's Song. Sakhr, 1-13, Al Wasmiya Cup (Bhr-G3, NBT), 1000mT, :57.90. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY).**

**\*\$375,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; 50,000gns HRA '21 TATSEP.**

**VIDEO (SC 10)**

#### IN DUBAI:

**Tiger Nation, c, 3, Tamarkuz. See "Dubai".**



*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 weekend running at Chukyo and Nakayama Racecourses, including the first foal from a big-figure Keeneland November purchase:*



**Grade I winner Eskimo Kisses selling at KEENOV in 2019**

*Keeneland photo*



**Saturday, January 14, 2023****4th-CKO, ¥11,850,000, Newcomers, 3yo, 1400m**

**LA LA BELLEVILLE** (f, 3, **Union Rags**--Divine Praises, by **Medaglia d'Oro**) is the latest to make the races out of a winning daughter of SW Grand Prayer (Grand Slam), who is also the dam of MGSW & GISP Valid (**Medaglia d'Oro**); GISW Malibu Prayer (Malibu Moon); and Grand Love (**Gun Runner**), third in last year's GIII Pocahontas S. A \$130,000 Keeneland September grad, the dark bay is a half-sister to the commonly owned La La Chandon (**Street Sense**), a maiden winner at second asking in Japan in 2021. *B-Three Chimneys Farm LLC (KY)*

**REGALO FIORI (JPN)** (f, 3, **West Coast**--Legallini, by **Hard Spun**) was acquired in utero for \$80,000 at the 2019 Keeneland November Sale and is maternal granddaughter of MGSW/GISP Dust and Diamonds (Vindication), whose son Do Deuce (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) won the G1 Asahi Hai Futurity at two and last year's G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby). *B-Hatakeyama Stud Farm*

**Sunday, January 15, 2023****3rd-CKO, ¥11,850,000, Newcomers, 3yo, 1800m**

**KISS ON THE CHEEK (JPN)** (f, 3, **Curlin**--Eskimo Kisses, by **To Honor and Serve**) is the first produce from her dam, who took down the colors of Midnight Bisou (**Midnight Lute**) in the 2018 GI Alabama S. and was purchased by Shadai Farm with this filly in utero for \$2.3 million to rank as the second highest-priced offering of the 2019 Keeneland November Sale. A half-sister to Grade I-placed Silver Ride (**Candy Ride** {Arg}), Eskimo Kisses was produced by Silver Colors (Mr. Greeley), a daughter of champion 3-year-old filly and GI Kentucky Derby heroine Winning Colors (Caro {Ire}), who is also the granddam of two-time Japanese stakes winner Cheerful Smile (Jpn) (Sunday Silence). *B-Shadai Farm*

**6th-NKY, ¥11,850,000, Newcomers, 3yo, 1800m**

**BOLD ZONE** (c, 3, **Mendelssohn**--Halo Dolly, by **Popular**), closely related to Grade III-winning turf sprinter Barraza (Into Mischief), was an unfinished product when hammering for \$40,000 at KEESEP in 2021, but improved nicely and fetched \$280,000 from Katsumi Yoshida at OBS March last year after breezing an eighth of a mile in :10 1/5. Two-time graded winner Halo Dolly brought \$300,000 from Spendthrift Farm at KEENOV in 2014 and was sold in foal to Authentic for \$110,000 at the same event in 2021. *B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY)*

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**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JANUARY 14***2022 Stud Fees Listed*

**Accelerate** (**Lookin At Lucky**), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000  
214 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
4-Oaklawn, 2:57 p.m. EST, Aoc 1m, Winters Lion, 12-1  
\$27,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$35,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Awesome Slew** (Awesome Again), Ocala Stud, \$4,000  
74 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Awesome Empress, 20-1  
3-Tampa Bay Downs, 1:33 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Awesome Honor, 20-1  
9-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:33 p.m. EST, \$125K Gasparilla S., 7f, Awesome Pic, 9-2

**Bolt d'Oro** (**Medaglia d'Oro**), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000  
256 foals of racing age/32 winners/6 black-type winners  
10-Oaklawn, 5:51 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Rocket and Roll, 8-5  
\$65,000 FTK NOV wnl; \$90,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$675,000 EAS MAY 2yo  
8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Royal Dame, 20-1  
\$10,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$27,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$62,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

**City of Light** (**Quality Road**), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000  
209 foals of racing age/13 winners/3 black-type winners  
10-Tampa Bay Downs, 5:03 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Lil Miss Moonlight, 20-1  
\$95,000 KEE SEP yrl  
6-Aqueduct, 2:47 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Pinstripepizzo, 6-1  
\$200,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$95,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo  
6-Gulfstream, 2:39 p.m. EST, Aoc 7 1/2fT, Sendero, 5-2  
\$130,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$300,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Cloud Computing** (**Maclean's Music**), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000  
196 foals of racing age/17 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Gulfstream, 3:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Big Data, 6-1  
\$65,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$105,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo  
4-Oaklawn, 2:57 p.m. EST, Aoc 1m, Two Eagles River, 8-5  
\$32,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$220,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Code West** (Lemon Drop Kid), Westwin Farms

40 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
6-Sam Houston Race, 4:15 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Halo Code, 20-1

**Collected** (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000

234 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner  
5-Gulfstream, 2:09 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Cuvier, 3-1  
\$80,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$140,000 OBS OPN 2yo  
4-Charles Town, 8:32 p.m. EST, Alw 6 1/2f, Gabriel's Wing, 7-2  
\$25,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$30,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Far From Over** (Blame), Gray's Farm

32 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-Tampa Bay Downs, 1:33 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Far From Home, 15-1  
\$4,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Girvin** (Tale of Ekati), Airdrie Stud, \$20,000

179 foals of racing age/21 winners/5 black-type winners  
9-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:33 p.m. EST, \$125K Gasparilla S., 7f, Dorth Vader, 3-2  
5-Aqueduct, 2:17 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Power in Numbers, 8-5  
\$200,000 FTK JUL yrl

**Good Magic** (Curlin), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$50,000

237 foals of racing age/23 winners/7 black-type winners  
10-Oaklawn, 5:51 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Escapologist, 4-1  
\$35,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$150,000 KEE SEP yrl  
3-Tampa Bay Downs, 1:33 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Estilo Magico, 6-1  
\$35,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$42,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Good Samaritan** (Harlan's Holiday), WinStar Farm, \$7,500

172 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner  
4-Oaklawn, 2:57 p.m. EST, Aoc 1m, Coffee Caliente, 30-1  
\$62,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Harry Angel (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud, \$10,000

199 foals of racing age/25 winners/1 black-type winner  
6-Gulfstream, 2:39 p.m. EST, Aoc 7 1/2fT, Harry Time (Ire), 8-1  
£32,000 TATIRY yrl; 82,000gns TATBRE 2yo; £300,000 GOFLO 2yo

**Justify** (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$100,000

343 foals of racing age/29 winners/6 black-type winners  
6-Tampa Bay Downs, 3:03 p.m. EST, \$125K Pasco S., 7f, Champions Dream, 6-5  
\$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$425,000 OBS MAR 2yo  
10-Oaklawn, 5:51 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Pappy Wolfe, 12-1  
\$62,000 KEE SEP yrl

4-Oaklawn, 2:57 p.m. EST, Aoc 1m, Verifying, 6-5

\$775,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Mendelssohn** (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$25,000

347 foals of racing age/26 winners/2 black-type winners  
9-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:33 p.m. EST, \$125K Gasparilla S., 7f, Opus Forty Two, 12-1  
\$185,000 FTK JUL yrl

**Oscar Performance** (Kitten's Joy), Mill Ridge Farm, \$20,000

171 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-Gulfstream, 2:39 p.m. EST, Aoc 7 1/2fT, Tumbarumba, 4-1  
\$30,000 FTK OCT yrl

**Redesdale** (Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga

Thoroughbreds  
74 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-Charles Town, 8:32 p.m. EST, Alw 6 1/2f, Haggardsdale, 5-2  
\$5,000 EAS OCT yrl

**Sharp Azteca** (Freud), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000

200 foals of racing age/37 winners/4 black-type winners  
6-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Divina Dulce, 12-1  
\$25,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Tapwrit** (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000

176 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner  
5-Gulfstream, 2:09 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Armstrong, 8-1  
\$51,000 KEE SEP yrl

**West Coast** (Flatter), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000

198 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-Sam Houston Race, 4:15 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, West Jet, 9-2




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#### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-Aqueduct, \$82,000**, 1-13, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.98, sy, 5 3/4 lengths.

**KING ANGELO (h, 6, Lemon Drop Kid--Cupid's Arrow, by Awesome Again)** Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-4, \$281,850. O/B-Farone Stables, LLC (NY); T-Jorge R. Abreu.

**6th-Aqueduct, \$72,000**, (S), 1-13, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.50, sy, head.

**SHINFULL (f, 4, A Shin Forward--Awesome Bull, by Holy Bull)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-0, \$145,350. O-Edition Farm; B-Edition Farm & Linda C Conroy (NY); T-David G. Donk.

**2nd-Fair Grounds, \$51,000**, (S), 1-13, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 1m, 1:41.54, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.

**GUITAR WOMAN (f, 3, Star Guitar--Well Spun, by Hard Spun)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 8-2-4-0, \$121,000. O-Robert Joseph and Dana Salome; B-Love Partnership Interests, L.P. (LA); T-Joe O. Duhon. \*\$8,500 Ylg '21 LTBSYM; \$30,000 2yo '22 TTAAPR.

**6th-Turfway, \$49,530**, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 1-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.09, ft, head.

**THUNDER LOVE (GB) (f, 4, Profitable {Ire}--Nantyglu {GB} {SW & GSP-Eng}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 13-4-2-0, \$124,487. O-AMO Racing USA; B-Mickley Stud (GB); T-Paulo H. Lobo. \*13,000gns Wlg '19 TATFOA; £18,000 Ylg '20 TATIRY.

**7th-Laurel, \$48,300**, (C), 1-13, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46.19, gd, 2 1/2 lengths.

**SHE'SAROLLINGSTONE (m, 5, Bourbon Courage--Taylor Jagger, by Student Council)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-1, \$109,795. O-Rosalee C. Davison; B-Anchor & Hope Farm Inc. (MD); T-Damon R. Dilodovico. \*\$17,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT.

**6th-Delta Downs, \$43,000**, (S), 1-12, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 5f, :59.40, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

**MISS JANA (f, 4, Ruler's Court--Jettin Jana, by Mauk Four)** Lifetime Record: SP, 11-4-1-2, \$129,440. O-Thomas L. Arnaud and Allen Cassedy; B-Robert E. Hewlett (LA); T-Scott Gelner.

**4th-Charles Town, \$38,700**, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 1-12, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.74, ft, 7 lengths.

**NICO (h, 6, Trappe Shot--Cleft in the Rock, by Arch)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-7-10-1, \$232,216. O/B-O'Sullivan Farms LLC (WV); T-Javier Contreras. \*1/2 to Seneca Rocks (**Summer Front**), SW, \$145,718.

**6th-Charles Town, \$36,300**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 1-12, 4yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52.04, ft, 3/4 length.

**BAYTOWN FROSTY (g, 4, Frosted--Tasha's Delight {GSP-Can, MSP-USA, \$163,200}, by Afternoon Deelites)** Lifetime Record: 19-5-1-2, \$151,498. O-McEntee Racing, Inc. and Resolute Racing Alliance, LLC; B-Dr. R D Holder, Tony Holmes & Dr. & Mrs. Walter Zent (KY); T-Paul McEntee. \*\$4,500 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$50,000 RNA 2yo '21 KEEAPR. \*\*1/2 to Wilkinson (Lemon Drop Kid), MGSW & MGISP, \$475,086.



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**7th-Charles Town, \$36,300**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 1-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52.62, ft, 1/2 length.

**MY LOVELY GIRL (m, 6, Poseidon's Warrior--Orlyana Queen, by Kafwain)** Lifetime Record: 36-5-14-6, \$219,908. O/T-Analia R. Larrosa; B-Orlyana Farm (FL).

**8th-Sam Houston Race, \$36,000**, 1-13, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.15, fm, 3 3/4 lengths.

**CONSTITUTION LADY (f, 4, Constitution--Madame B Mine, by Belong to Me)** Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$71,455. O-TM Thoroughbred Racing, LLC; B-Equus Farm (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun. \*\$35,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$42,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR.



**8th-Delta Downs, \$35,770**, 1-12, (NW2L), 4yo/up, 5f, :59.74, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

**ELUSIVE WAR (g, 5, Elusive Quality--Queen of War, by War Front)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-4-1, \$91,265. O-Levings Racing LLC; B-Matt Louis Edwards (OK); T-Juan A. Larrosa. \*\$22,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV.

**3rd-Charles Town, \$33,900**, 1-12, (NW2LX), 4yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52.15, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

**FIBER STRONG (g, 5, Fiber Sonde--Candlebrook, by Saint Ballado)** Lifetime Record: 22-5-6-3, \$142,782. O-Lawrence J. Pascal and Philip Arthur Harding, Sr.; B-John D. McKee (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco.

**6th-Penn National, \$31,600, (S), 1-12, (NW1BX), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.45, gd, 4 1/2 lengths.**

**ECLIPTICALS SARAH (m, 5, Eclipticalspraline--Gentle Charmer {SW, \$344,313}, by Bertrando)** Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-3, \$57,217. O/B-Maria Montez Haire (PA); T-Flint W. Stites.

**8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$27,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 1-13, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.25, gd, 1 length.**

**DOCTOR OSCAR (c, 4, Shackleford--Miss Darla, by Montbrook)** Lifetime Record: SW, 12-6-1-2, \$181,423. O/B-Peter D. Mattson (MN); T-Tim P. Padilla.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Renewing Vows, g, 3, Broken Vow--Who's Happy (MSW, \$305,380), by Caller I. D.. Penn National, 1-12, (S), 6f, 1:12.63.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$20,550. B-Fiasco Farms Ltd. (PA).

**Audit Committee, f, 3, Classic Empire--Dark Eyes, by Holy Bull.** Aqueduct, 1-13, (C), 6f, 1:13.87. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$28,150. B-GB Associates (PA). \*\$60,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT; \$100,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

**Mano Dura, c, 3, Keen Ice--Bene Pista, by Bernardini.** Sam Houston Race Park, 1-13, 1m, 1:42.64. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$32,515. B-Calumet Farm (KY).

**Diamond Cool, g, 3, Prospective--Patriotic Brother, by Brother Derek.** Gulfstream, 1-13, (S), 7f, 1:25.57. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$44,800. B-Diamond 100 Racing Club LLC (FL). \*8 3/4-Length Winning Margin.

**Roses Are Gray, f, 3, Tapwrit--Quatre Rose, by Candy Ride (Arg).** Sam Houston Race Park, 1-13, 1m, 1:43.25. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$26,561. B-Mike G. Rutherford (KY). \*\$17,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$35,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN.

#### LEGACY Bloodstock SALES GRAD

**Town Branch, g, 4, Street Sense--Tyburn Brook, by Bernardini.** Oaklawn, 1-13, 6f, 1:11.43. Lifetime Record: 9-1-2-1, \$117,066. B-Godolphin (KY). \*\$50,000 3yo '22 FTDOCT. \*\*Full to Speaker's Corner, GISW, \$739,963.

**Seven Bridges Road, c, 4, Verrazano--Guard the Empire, by Empire Maker.** Gulfstream, 1-13, (C), 7 1/2fT, 1:28.84. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$46,180. B-George Kerr & Tim Odonohue (FL). \*\$15,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

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**American Pharoah, Pharoahs Baby Gyal, f, 3, o/o Baby J, by J Be K.** AOC, 1-13, Laurel

**Army Mule, Klassy Bridgette, f, 3, o/o Klassy Katlyn, by Saint Ballado.** AOC, 1-13, Oaklawn

**Bourbon Courage, She'sarollingstone, m, 5, o/o Taylor Jagger, by Student Council.** ALW, 1-13, Laurel

**Broken Vow, Renewing Vows, g, 3, o/o Who's Happy, by Caller I. D..** MSW, 1-12, Penn National

**Classic Empire, Audit Committee, f, 3, o/o Dark Eyes, by Holy Bull.** MCL, 1-13, Aqueduct

**Constitution, Constitution Lady, f, 4, o/o Madame B Mine, by Belong to Me.** ALW, 1-13, Sam Houston

**Curlin, Prairie Hawk, c, 3, o/o Princess Ash, by Indian Charlie.** AOC, 1-13, Tampa Bay

**Eclipticalspraline, Eclipticals Sarah, m, 5, o/o Gentle Charmer, by Bertrando.** ALW, 1-12, Penn National

**Elusive Quality, Elusive War, g, 5, o/o Queen of War, by War Front.** ALW, 1-12, Delta Downs

**English Channel, English Bee, g, 7, o/o Evil Kitten, by Kitten's Joy.** AOC, 1-13, Gulfstream

**Fiber Sonde, Fiber Strong, g, 5, o/o Candlebrook, by Saint Ballado.** ALW, 1-12, Charles Town

**Frosted, Baytown Frosty, g, 4, o/o Tasha's Delight, by Afternoon Deelites.** AOC, 1-12, Charles Town

**Grazen, Shocking Grey, f, 4, o/o Seoul Unbridled, by Unbridled's Song.** MSW, 1-13, Santa Anita

**Keen Ice, Mano Dura, c, 3, o/o Bene Pista, by Bernardini.** MSW, 1-13, Sam Houston

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<b>BEE JERSEY</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>45.00%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10.00%</b>
Girvin	52	30	57.69%	5	9.62%
Justify	73	29	39.73%	6	8.22%
Army Mule	62	25	40.32%	5	8.06%
City of Light	39	13	33.33%	3	7.69%
Bolt d'Oro	80	31	38.75%	6	7.50%
Oscar Performance	40	17	42.50%	2	5.00%
Sharp Azteca	84	37	44.05%	4	4.76%
Mo Town	58	22	37.93%	2	3.45%
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**Nyquist**, Nitrous Channel, c, 4, o/o Laurenmychangelgirl, by Afleet Alex. AOC, 1-13, Gulfstream

**Point of Entry**, Trail Ridge Road, f, 4, o/o Summerlin, by Lost Soldier. AOC, 1-13, Fair Grounds

**Poseidon's Warrior**, My Lovely Girl, m, 6, o/o Orlyana Queen, by Kafwain. AOC, 1-12, Charles Town

**Profitable (Ire)**, Thunder Love (GB), f, 4, o/o Nantyglo (GB), by Mark of Esteem (Ire). AOC, 1-12, Turfway

**Prospective**, Diamond Cool, g, 3, o/o Patriotic Brother, by Brother Derek. MSW, 1-13, Gulfstream

**Ruler's Court**, Miss Jana, f, 4, o/o Jettin Jana, by Mauk Four. ALW, 1-12, Delta Downs

**Shackleford**, Doctor Oscar, c, 4, o/o Miss Darla, by Montbrook. AOC, 1-13, Tampa Bay

**Star Guitar**, Guitar Woman, f, 3, o/o Well Spun, by **Hard Spun**. ALW, 1-13, Fair Grounds

**Street Sense**, Town Branch, g, 4, o/o Tyburn Brook, by Bernardini. MSW, 1-13, Oaklawn

**Tapwrit**, Roses Are Gray, f, 3, o/o Quatre Rose, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. MSW, 1-13, Sam Houston

**Trappe Shot**, Nico, h, 6, o/o Cleft in the Rock, by Arch. AOC, 1-12, Charles Town

**Verrazano**, Seven Bridges Road, c, 4, o/o Guard the Empire, by Empire Maker. MOC, 1-13, Gulfstream

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Date	Race	Track
Jan. 15	GI La Canada S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 21	GI Lecomte S.	Fair Grounds
	GI Louisiana S.	Fair Grounds
Jan. 28	GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S.	Gulfstream
	GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Inv. S.	Gulfstream
	GII Inside Information S.	Gulfstream
	GII San Pasqual S.	Santa Anita
	GI Fred W. Hooper S.	Gulfstream
	GI La Prevoyante S.	Gulfstream
	GI W. L. McKnight S.	Gulfstream
	GI Southwest S.	Oaklawn
	GI Las Virgenes S.	Santa Anita
	GI Houston Ladies' Classic	Sam Houston
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## 'THE PAST 12 MONTHS HAVE NOT BEEN EASY BUT MINZAAL HAS PROVIDED A BUZZ'



**Minzaal:** has been making waves already at Derrinstown Stud  
INPHO/Morgan Treacy

By Brian Sheerin

One of the early highlights of the year for pedigree buffs and casual observers, the Irish Thoroughbred Stallion Trail, got underway with a bang on Friday with heavy footfall reported at over 30 of the stallion farms taking part in the two-day extravaganza.

The TDN Europe team were out and about in the Kildare area on Friday and visited Kildangan Stud, the Irish National Stud, Yeomanstown Stud and Derrinstown Stud before venturing further south on Saturday.

Don't let the sunny snaps fool you, Friday was another bitterly cold day, but **Night Of Thunder (Ire)** warmed the cockles followed by emerging forces **Earthlight (Ire)** and **Ghaiyyath (Ire)** at Kildangan Stud.

In fact, such was the quality on show at Kildangan Stud, nominations manager Eamon Moloney described the current collection of stallions on offer at the Irish arm of the hugely-powerful Darley operation as the best he's seen during his time at the helm. [Cont. p3](#)

## VALIANT PRINCE A NEW GROUP WINNER FOR DUBAWI by Heather Anderson

The \$180,000 G2 Al Rashidiya Presented By Azizi featured a Godolphin trifecta once the dust settled, as **Valiant Prince (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) came out on top by three-quarters of a length over the better-fancied pair of **Dubai Future (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) for Saeed bin Suroor, and **Ottoman Fleet (GB)** (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**). It was the second Friday of the Dubai World Cup Carnival, and a one/three finish for Charlie Appleby.

The 1800-metre contest began with the eventual winner in close quarters under James Doyle and shuffled back to a midpack perch, as bin Suroor trainee **Passion And Glory (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire})--the fourth of the Godolphin quartet--cut out fractions on the front end. Dubai Future rated just off the frontrunner with **Wirko (Ger)** (**Kingman {GB}**) to his outside, and Valiant Prince was on Dubai Future's tail. [Cont. p9](#)

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### EMBLEM ROAD RETURNS A WINNER IN RIYADH

2022 G1 Saudi Cup hero **Emblem Road (Quality Road)** made a winning return in an allowance at Riyadh on Friday.

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## 2023 FLAT PATTERN UPDATED BY BHA

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*There will be fewer Group 3 and listed races in the 2023 UK Flat programme, the BHA Flat Pattern Committee confirmed on Friday.*

## PAUL HENSEY NEXT CEO OF AIR

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*Paul Hensey will assume the position of Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Irish Racecourses later this month.*

## TIGER NATION SURGES TO MEYDAN VICTORY

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*Tiger Nation (Tamarkuz) won the UAE 2000 Guineas Trial by 1 1/4 lengths on Friday.*

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**Irish Stallion Trail Cont. from p1**

Moloney said, "We've had good horses here in the past but we have a mix of stallions who are operating at the top of their game, like **Teofilo (Ire)** and now Night Thunder climbing his way to the top--and you don't know how far he might go--right through to Ghaiyyath, Earthlight and **Blue Point (Ire)** with his first runners this year. I don't think we've ever had a more exciting roster. "

It was not just the seasoned breeders who turned out in their droves, either, on Friday. Moloney reported a good mixture of industry stakeholders and families searching for an alternative day out to be coming through the gates at Kildangan and predicted Saturday to be even busier.

He said, "The Thoroughbred Stallion Trail is a very important initiative. It provides you with an opportunity to showcase your new horses and gives everyone a chance to see them in the flesh. A lot of breeders have been here already but they love coming back to see the stallions a second time. There's also a social aspect to the whole thing and the amount of new people who come through the gates for the Thoroughbred Trail--we've even attracted clients who had never been involved in this industry prior to the initiative, so it's very important. "

It won't take a genius to sell Ghaiyyath to breeders. He may be a Dubawi (Ire) and his dam was no giant, but this boy commands attention wherever he goes, with his giant stride and powerful makeup clearly capturing the attention of those in attendance on Friday.

Moloney commented, "I don't think we had one negative comment on a Ghaiyyath or Earthlight foals. Not one. The Earthlights are just so sharp and strong. I really think they have a huge chance. With Ghaiyyath, people seem to stop and stare at him in silence. His foals are the same--they are very athletic. I think we are in very good shape, to the point that Ghaiyyath will cover his biggest book of mares in his third season, which isn't the normal trend. He's not your typical Dubawi--he has this big walk and has great presence. Those great horses seem to have presence."

He added, "We've had a good mixture of breeders who are going to be sending us mares and families who are making a day of it viewing the stallions. There are plenty of racing enthusiasts as well, and they love coming to see the horses up close in the flesh, so there's a great mix. It's brilliant."

Geographically, Kildangan is just over 10 minutes from the Irish National Stud, and many of the same faces made the short journey to see **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**, **Lucky Vega (Ire)**, **Phoenix Of Spain (Ire)** and more.

At 26 years young, Invincible Spirit has been there and done that and is widely recognised as one of the best producers this country has to offer. **Cont. p4**

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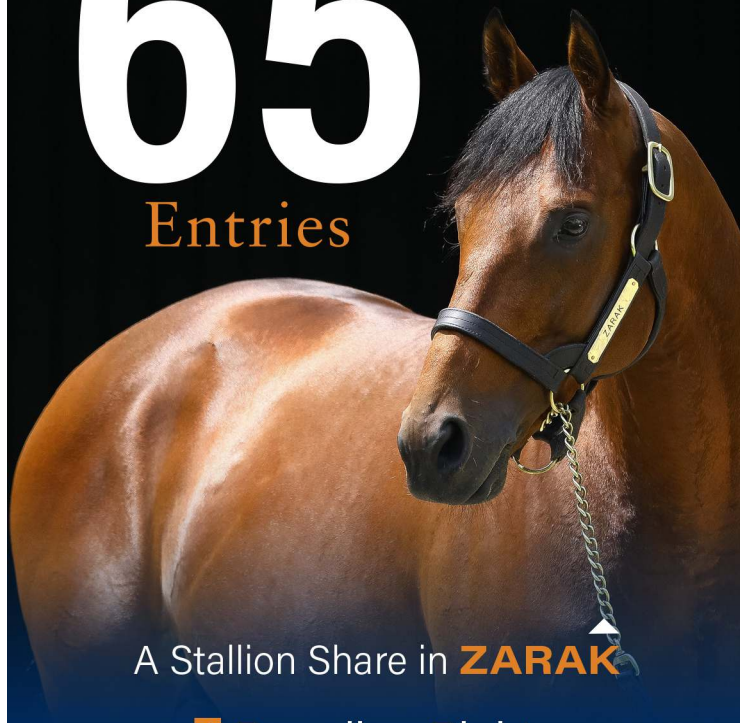
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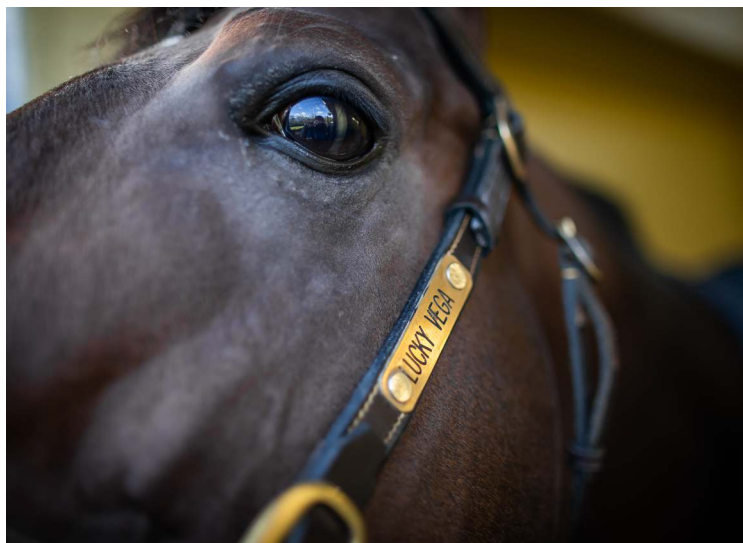
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## Irish Stallion Trail Cont.

But standing on the opposite side of the long row of boxes at the beautiful Irish National Stud could be the heir to Invincible Spirit's throne, the powerhouse that is Lucky Vega, who has done extremely well since he retired from racing and is letting down into a bull of a stallion.

Lucky Vega showed top-class form at two, including when carrying the colours of Yuesheng Zhang to victory in the G1 Phoenix S., and his owner's pursuit of top-class broodmares to support the young stallion was one of the major stories to emerge from 2022. He certainly won't lack for support.



Lucky Vega | INPHO/Morgan Treacy

Nor will **Minzaal (Ire)**. Derrinstown Stud manager Joe Behan admits that the past 12 months have not been easy for anyone working with the operation after the man he affectionately refers to as 'the boss,' Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum, passed away.

However, Group 1-winning sprinter Minzaal is proving a beacon of hope at Derrinstown and is understood to be oversubscribed already such is his popularity among breeders.

Behan explained, "Minzaal is going down very well with all the breeders. There has been nothing but positive comments on him today and he's taking everything in his stride. He's a good model, very correct and makes great use of himself. He has a great walk and has a nice bit of length and scope to him as well.

"We're very pleased and it has provided us all with a lift here at Derrinstown. He's a Group 1-winning sprinter and was an absolute flying machine as a racehorse so we're all very excited about him."

He added, "There is a buzz around the place. The past 12 months have not been easy since the boss passed away so, to get that buzz back and have everyone rowing in behind Minzaal now, it means an awful lot. It's great." **Cont. p5**



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- ✓ **SAXON WARRIOR**  
3 Group winners in 2022 from his first 2YO crop including Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf-Gr.1 winner **VICTORIA ROAD**
- ✓ **STARSPANGLED BANNER**  
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### Irish Stallion Trail Cont.

Great, too, is the confidence behind **Invincible Army (Ire)** at Yeomanstown Stud. **Dark Angel (Ire)** is still very much the daddy of them all at Yeomanstown but, despite the fact they are facing into one of the hottest years one can remember in terms of the fight for first-season sire honours, the O'Callaghans are predicting big things from Invincible Army this year.

Rob O'Callaghan said, "We're very confident with Invincible Army. He's got great stock coming through and has a lot going for him with over 130 2-year-olds this year. They are well-bred horses and they've got the strength, the action and they have gone to the right homes as well. Karl Burke, Richard Hannon, Ger Lyons, Richard Fahey and Clive Cox have all bought yearlings by him and he's got as good a chance of any of the first-season sires to make a big impression this year. You've got to remember that he was a top-class racehorse and was a group winner at two, three and four."

Friday was the only day that Yeomanstown opened their doors to the public and O'Callaghan labelled the initiative as a success before pointing to the fact that many breeders visited with a view towards getting a glimpse at some of the younger sires the stud has to offer.

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**Rob O'Callaghan**

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He added, "Technically, this is our only day on the Thoroughbred Stallion Trail but we are open every day of the year. We've plenty of shows booked in for tomorrow [Saturday] and the past few weeks have been very busy with showing. We'd a busy morning today with a lot of people starting the Trail here and working their way on to other studs.

"It's been a good day and we've had a good mixture between breeders and casual visitors. We're glad to have them and it's good to see people enjoying their day. When you have a new stallion it's always busier. Also, a lot of people like to come and see a stallion in his second year at stud to see how they have progressed during the summer.

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## EUROPEAN NEWS

### 2023 FLAT PATTERN UPDATED BY BHA

Changes have been made to the Flat Pattern and Listed Programme for 2023, the British Horseracing Authority's (BHA) Flat Pattern Committee confirmed on Friday.

Focusing primarily on reducing the number of Group 3 and listed races, these are the first changes announced to help improve the performance of Britain's black-type races. Additional changes will be announced next month. These short-term measures are aimed at boosting field sizes and increasing this year's black-type race competitiveness. [Cont. p6](#)



## 2023 Flat Pattern Updated By BHA Cont.

Other means of strengthening the race programme in 2024 and beyond are being developed through the sport's **industry strategy**. The following Group 3 and listed races will no longer form part of the Pattern and Listed Programme for 2023:

- Listed Leisure S., Windsor (6f, 3yo+, May)
- Listed Royal Windsor S., Windsor (8f, 3yo+, May)
- Listed Fairway S., Newmarket (10f, 3yo, May)
- Listed Buckhounds S., Ascot (12f, 4yo+, May)
- Listed Midsummer S., Windsor (8f, 3yo+, July)
- Listed Denford S., Newbury (7f, 2yo, August)
- G3 Supreme S., Goodwood (7f, 3yo+, August)
- G3 March S., Goodwood (14f, 3yo, August)
- G3 Legacy Cup S., Newbury (11f, 3yo+, September)

In addition, the Listed European Free Handicap S., Newmarket Racecourse (7f, 3yo, April) and the Listed King Richard III S., Leicester Racecourse (7f, 4yo+, April) will also not be staged in 2023. An adjustment to the winter All-Weather programme will see the Listed Winter Derby Trial at Lingfield Park (10f, 4yo+, February) shortened to a mile and renamed the Listed Tandridge S. (8f, 4yo+, Feb. 4).

BHA Director of International Racing and Racing Development, Ruth Quinn, said, "The quality and competitiveness of our Flat Pattern and Listed Programme is fundamental, not just to long-term reputation and sustainability of British racing, but also to the strength of the thoroughbred breed.

"Work is already underway, as part of the industry's long-term strategy, to deliver substantive improvements to the way our racing is structured, presented and promoted.

"This includes continually enhancing the performance of our black-type programme under both codes, and ensuring that the best horses continue to be bred, owned, trained, and raced in Britain.

"The changes to the programme for 2023 are the first of a series of measures, which aim to help address some of the immediate challenges in our black-type contests, particularly around field sizes and race competitiveness, ahead of further, more fundamental, improvements--with racecourses involved in the process from the outset--for 2024 and beyond.

"Work also continues through the Jump Pattern Committee to deliver a package of measures in time for the 2023/24 season, with changes to the Jump Pattern and Listed Programme to be announced prior to the 2023 Cheltenham Festival."

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## PAUL HENSEY NAMED NEW CEO OF THE ASSOCIATION OF IRISH RACECOURSES



Paul Hensey will begin his new role later this month | AIR

Paul Hensey is the new Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Irish Racecourses (AIR) beginning later this month. He will replace Paddy Walsh, who is retiring after over two decades in the role on Mar. 31.

Hensey was most recently the Chief Operating Officer of Al Shaqab Racing, and he also worked with the Turf Club for six years. Previously, he also spent almost 15 years managing the Curragh Racecourse and training grounds and was also a member of AIR. He served two terms on the board of AIR during this time.

Conor O'Neill, Chairman of AIR, said, "Over the last few months, AIR has embarked on a competitive public recruitment process to find our incoming CEO. This extensive search was expertly handled on our behalf by Principal Connections--executive search who are part of Agilium Worldwide, LLC, one of the world's top global executive search groups. Following a meeting of the board of AIR this afternoon, I am delighted to announce that Paul Hensey's appointment was formally approved.

"Paul will take over the reins from Paddy Walsh when he retires from office at the end of March. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Paul on his appointment and welcome him on behalf of the board and our members. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing CEO Paddy Walsh who has played an integral role in the association and indeed the wider industry for decades. It has been my pleasure to work alongside him during my time as Chairman of the association and although we still have plenty of work to do between now and then I wish him the very best and every good wish for his retirement." [Cont. p7](#)

## Paul Hensey Cont.

Hensey added, "I am delighted with the appointment and feel this role really plays to my strengths. I am extremely proud of and passionate about the Irish horse racing product and I'm very much looking forward to getting involved in the racecourse side of the industry once again. Having been a member of the Association of Irish Racecourses for many years, I am keenly aware of the importance of this association, and the role it plays for our members and I am very much looking forward to getting started."

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## IRISH THOROUGHBRED WELFARE COUNCIL 2022 BEST-TURNED-OUT LEAGUE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The winners of the 2022 Irish Thoroughbred Welfare Council Best-Turned-Out League were announced on Friday. Staff from yards of Jim Bolger, Gordon Elliott, James Fahey, Michael Halford, Eoin McCarthy, Michael O'Callaghan and Robert Tyner's were honoured in different categories.

The categories are based on the number of runners each yard had during their season. Each yard wins €3,000 to be divided among staff. The winning yards are as follows:

- Flat Category A: Jim Bolger's yard with 72 best-turned-out horses from 279 runners.
- Flat Category B: Michael Halford's yard with 85 best-turned-out competitions from 216 runners.
- Flat Category C: Michael O'Callaghan's yard with 37 best-turned-out horses from 119 runners.
- Jumps Category A: Gordon Elliott's staff with 160 best-turned-out horses from 1,196 runners.
- Jumps Category B: Eoin McCarthy's yard with 74 best-turned-out horses from 193 runners.
- Jumps Category C: James Fahey's yard and Robert Tyner's team in a dead heat with 30 best-turned-out winners from just 64 and 82 runners, respectively. They share the €3,000 prize-money.

Bolger, Halford, Elliott, and Fahey's teams were also honoured in 2021.

John Osborne, Equine Welfare & Bloodstock Director at HRI, said, "Once again the best-turned-out (BTO) league has rewarded excellence in horse care while highlighting the high standard across the racing industry. We are delighted to see that over 280 different yards won a BTO prize during the year and the feedback is that it is getting ultra-competitive among yards. We have repeat winners from 2021 in the Elliott, Bolger, Halford and James Fahey yards with new category winners from Michael O'Callaghan's, Eoin McCarthy and Robert Tyner's. It was

especially exciting to see the dead heat between James Fahey and Robert Tyner's in the last few days of the competition."

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Trainer Eoin McCarthy and his team accepting their cheque as winners in the 2022 Irish Thoroughbred Welfare Council best-turned out league from John Osborne in HRI. | INPHO Photography

## VICTOR LUDORUM REPRESENTED BY FIRST REPORTED FOAL

Dual Group 1 winner **Victor Ludorum (GB)** was represented by his first reported foal, a colt, on Thursday, Jan. 12. Out of Ever Sun Shine (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), the colt was described by breeder Guillaume Vitse as "a strong colt, of good size and muscular like his father. He is a good-looking colt and I am very, very happy with him." The Kildangan Stud resident stands for €15,000 in 2023.

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# OBSERVATIONS

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## HALF TO NAVAL CROWN DEBUTS AT LINGFIELD

**1.10 Lingfield, Novice, £8,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 1y (AWT)**  
**SPRING PROMISE (IRE) (Lope De Vega {Ire})** is one of two representatives of the Charlie Appleby stable and a half-sister to last year's G1 Platinum Jubilee S. hero Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). The debutante is joined by the yard's **Star Guest (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a daughter of the operation's G2 Duke of Cambridge S. and G2 Dahlia S. winner Usherette (Ire) (Shamardal) who bids to make it third time lucky on the all-weather.

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## BRITAIN

### Friday's Result:

**2nd-Newcastle, £8,000, Novice, 1-13, 3yo/up, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:31.34, st/sl.**

**SELF ACLAIM (IRE) (c, 3, Aclaim {Ire}--Selfara {GB}, by Oasis Dream {GB})**, off the mark over this trip at Wolverhampton last month, led from the outset. Running out of fuel late on, the 2-1 second favourite held on to prevail by a short head from Razoni (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Masar (Ire) and a yearling colt by Shaman (Ire), is a daughter of Rustic (Ire) (Grand Lodge) who was third in the G3 Princess Margaret S. The family also features the G1 Irish Derby and G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup hero Grey Swallow (Ire) (Daylami {Ire}). Sales history: £57,000 Ylg '21 TATIRY. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$11,287.

O-The Roof Partnership; B-Mount Coote Stud and Anthony Warrender (IRE); T-Hugo Palmer.

### CONDITIONS RESULT:

**4th-Newcastle, £30,000, 1-13, 4yo/up, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:42.30, st/sl.**

**CHICHESTER (GB) (g, 6, Dansili {GB}--Havant {GB} {GSW-Eng, GSP-US, \$100,045}, by Halling)** Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 31-5-5-4, \$134,644. O-Sir Ian & Ms Catriona Good; B-Mrs James Wigan & London TB Services Ltd (GB); T-Keith Dalglish. \*300,000gns Wlg '17 TATFOA; 30,000gns HRA '20 TATAHI.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

**Sudden Ambush (GB), c, 3, Cracksman (GB)---Al Mahmeyah (GB),** by Teofilo (Ire). Lingfield, 1-13, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:36.44. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$7,715. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (GB). \*55,000gns RNA Ylg '21 TATOCT. \*\*1/2 to Afandem (Ire) (Vale Of York {Ire}), GSW-Fr, SP-Eng, \$169,674; 1/2 to Sky Defender (GB) (Farhh {GB}), GSP-Eng, GSP-Ger, \$158,850.

## IRELAND

### Friday's Results:

**5th-Dundalk, €12,000, Mdn, 1-13, 3yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:39.35, st.**  
**DAYZEE (IRE) (f, 3, Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Lizzy's Township {SW, \$102,580}, by Delaware Township)**, sent off at 33-1 following an inauspicious start to her career over seven furlongs here last month, found herself towards the rear after the initial yards. Staying on down the outer in the straight, the grey hit the front inside the last 100 yards to register a 3/4-of-a-length success from Hypnotise Me (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}). The stakes-winning dam, a half to four other stakes performers, also has a yearling filly by **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**. Sales history: €21,000 RNA Ylg '21 GOFSP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$7,813. O-Kevin A Quinn; B-Mrs Louise Quinn (IRE); T-Mark Fahey.

**6th-Dundalk, €12,000, Mdn, 1-13, 3yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.45, st.**  
**TEUTATES (IRE) (g, 3, Churchill {Ire}--War Goddess {Ire}, by Champs Elysees {GB})**, a 14-1 shot on this debut, was slowly away and forced to race worse than mid-division as a result. Making a telling move at the top of the straight, the homebred was in front passing the furlong pole and stayed on strongly to deny Signatory (Ire) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) by 3/4 of a length. The dam is a full-sister to the multiple group-placed Glaring (GB) and a half to the G3 Brownstown S. scorer Glowing (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) and the G2 Royal Lodge S. runner-up The Anvil (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). A granddaughter of the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Wemyss Bight (GB) (Dancing Brave) and therefore connected to Beat Hollow (GB) et al, her 2-year-old colt Warmonger (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**) was a 52,000gns purchase by Oliver St Lawrence Bloodstock at the Book 1 Sale. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,813. O-Mrs A M O'Brien; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Donnacha O'Brien.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

**Selador (Ire), f, 4, Dark Angel (Ire)---Loreto (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire).** Dundalk, 1-13, 10f 150y (AWT), 2:16.88. Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-0, \$14,551. B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd (IRE). \*£90,000 RNA Ylg '20 GOFOR; 115,000gns Ylg '20 TADEYG.

## FRANCE

## Friday's Result:

**9th-Deauville, €27,000, Mdn, 1-13, 3yo, c/g, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:20.29, st.**

**ARDITO (FR) (c, 3, Siyouni {Fr})--Valasyra {Fr}, by Sinndar {Ire}}**, sixth on debut over an extra furlong here late last month, tanked his way into second with the pace only moderate. Overhauling French Defense (Fr) (Anodin {Ire}) with 100 metres to race, the 9-2 shot surged clear to score by three lengths. The dam, who was twice listed-placed for The Aga Khan and was disqualified from first place in the 2010 G3 Prix de Flore, had been sold for €26,000 by Yeguada Centurion to Chantilly Bloodstock Agency at the 2021 Arqana December Mares Sale. Responsible for two listed-placed fillies including Varana (Fr) (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**) who in turn produced the Listed Prix de la Cochere scorer Varkesha (Fr) (Pivotal {GB}), she is kin to the the G1 Prix de Diane heroine Valyra (GB) (Azamour {Ire}). Her 2-year-old son of Recoletos (Fr) was a €35,000 purchase by Spincourt Bloodstock at the Arqana Deauville October Sale. Sales history: €85,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT; €160,000 2yo '22 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €13,500. **Video, sponsored by TVG.** O-Albert Frassetto; B-Yeguada Centurion SLU (FR); T-Gianluca Bietolini.

## CONDITIONS RESULT:

**7th-Pau, €18,000, 1-13, 4yo/up, 10f (AWT), 2:02.30, st.**  
**GLAER (GB) (g, 6, Siyouni {Fr})--Glorious Sight {Ire} {SW & MG1SP-Fr, \$430,401}, by Singspiel {Ire}}** Lifetime Record: 13-6-2-1, €57,500. O/B-SCEA Haras de Saint Pair (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. \*1/2 to Glycon (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), MGSW & G1SP-Fr, \$379,856.

## ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

**Fille Du Roi (Fr), f, 3, Belardo (Ire)--Soeur Du Roi (Fr), by Makfi (GB).** Deauville, 1-13, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:18.60. B-E Puerari & Ecurie Ades Hazan (FR). \*€35,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT.



## IN BAHRAIN:

**The Covex Kid (GB), g, 4, Mehmas (Ire)--Fonseca (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire).** Sakhir, 1-13, Al Adiyat Cup (Bhr-G2, NBT) (Bahrain Turf Series), 1800mT, 1:48.44. B-Randolf Stevens Limited.

\*€8,500 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; £26,000 Ylg '20 TATSEP; £168,000 HRA '22 TATAUG. **VIDEO (SC 12)**

**Exminster (Ire), g, 4, Ribchester (Ire)--Surface of Earth, by Empire Maker.** Sakhir, 1-13, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:36.02. B-Belmont Bloodstock Ltd & Glenville Bloodstock. \*First start in Bahrain. \*\*€54,000 Ylg '20 GOFFEB; £22,000 Ylg '20 GOFOCT; 33,000gns HRA '22 TATAUT. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

## IN SAUDI ARABIA:

**Soul Stopper (GB), g, 4, Postponed (Ire)--Perfect Spirit (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire).** King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Cond., 2000m. B-Mildmay Bloodstock Ltd. \*First start in Saudi Arabia. \*\*Won by seven lengths. **VIDEO (SC 7)**

**Lagertha Rhyme (Ire), m, 5, Gutaifan (Ire)--Cockney Rhyme (GB), by Cockney Rebel (Ire).** King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Prince Sultan Ben A/Aziz Cup (KSA-G2, NBT), 2000m. B-Mrs Bena Hickey. \*Ch 2yo Filly & Hwt. 3yo-Pol. **VIDEO (SC 10)**

**Qaader (Ire), h, 5, Night of Thunder (Ire)--Redinha (GB), by Dansili (GB).** King Abdulaziz, 1-13, Prince Khalid Abdullah Cup (Cond.), 2100mT. B-Ms Patricia Walsh. \*Holds an entry for the US\$1.5-million Neom Turf Cup (2100m) and US\$500,000 Saudi International H. (2100m) on Saudi Cup weekend. \*\*MGSP-Eng. \*\*\*€44,000 Ylg '19 GOFFEB; 110,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT.

**VIDEO (SC 4)**



## IN BAHRAIN:

**Echo Through Time (Bhr), f, 3, Time Test (GB)--Hawatif (Ire), by Royal Applause (GB).** Sakhir, 1-13, Maiden (Bhr-bred), 1400mT, 1:24.67. B-n/a. \*1ST-TIME STARTER. **VIDEO (SC 8)**

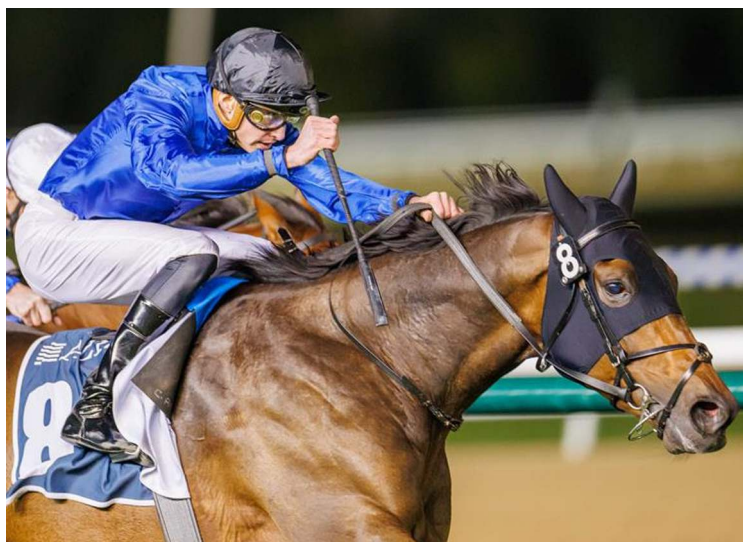
**Amwaj (Bhr), g, 4, Highland Reel (Ire)--Venturous Spirit (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire).** Sakhir, 1-13, HH Sh Mohammed Bin Salman Bin Hamad Al Khalifa Cup (Bhr-G2, NBT), 1800mT, 1:53.79. B-n/a. **VIDEO (SC 4)**

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## G2 Al Rashidiya Cont. from p1

Able to save ground against the fence, Valiant Prince appeared poised for a big effort rounding the far bend and Wirko retreated leaving the turn. **Cont. p10**





Valiant Prince and James Doyle | DRC

## G2 Al Rashidiya Cont.

Passion And Glory's lead diminished upon straightening, and Dubai Future took over with 400 metres remaining, as Ottoman Fleet also began to let down for his run. Splitting Dubai Future and Ottoman Fleet, the dark bay battled with those foes, before finally subduing Dubai Future in the final 50 metres. Ottoman Fleet's drive fell flat.

"It was a big step forward on what he's achieved in the past," said Doyle. "We were drawn well, but it got a little hairy on the bend and the two in front got away. It kind of suited him as he doesn't want to see much daylight and the way he picked up was quite a surprise--he felt like he was always going to win comfortably."

A winner of a brace of one-mile Meydan handicaps last winter, the 5-year-old ran fourth in the Listed Paradise S. returned to England in April. He drew off to win the Listed Ganton S. by four lengths at York in June, and Friday was his first start in 217 days.

## Pedigree Notes

Darley's remarkable Dubawi, fresh off his first UK/Ireland Champion Sire title, has sired 249 black-type winners. Friday's winner is his 162nd group winner.

Valiant Prince joins G3 Pinnacle S. heroine Klassique (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) as group winners out of G1 Matron S. victress Chachamaidee (Ire) (**Footstepsinthesand** {GB}). Klassique, who was also placed an additional three times at group level in England and France, has colts by **Siyouni** (Fr) and Lope De Vega (Ire) in 2021 and 2022. The last reported foal for Chachamaidee is Capitano (GB) (**Sea The Stars** {Ire}), who is an unraced 3-year-old colt.

A half-sibling to G3 Premier Cup winner Chief Whip (Giant's Causeway) and a full to G3 Fred Darling S. heroine J Wonder (**Footstepsinthesand** {GB}), Chachamaidee is from the extended

family of G1 1000 Guineas heroine Virginia Waters (Kingmambo), herself the granddam of G3 Snow Fairy S. winner and G1 Irish Oaks/G1 Pretty Polly S. bridesmaid Rain Goddess (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

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## Friday, Meydan, Dubai

**AL RASHIDIYA PRESENTED BY AZIZI-G2**, \$180,000, Meydan, 1-13, 3yo/up, 9fT, 1:46.92, gd.

1--**VALIANT PRINCE (IRE)**, 126, g, 5, by Dubawi (Ire)

1st Dam: Chachamaidee (Ire) (Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9 1/2f, G1SW-Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, \$650,743), by **Footstepsinthesand** (GB)

2nd Dam: Canterbury Lace, by Danehill

3rd Dam: Legend Maker (Ire), by Sadler's Wells

**1ST GROUP WIN.** (200,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT). O-Godolphin; B-R A H Evans (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby; J-James Doyle. \$108,000. Lifetime Record: SW-Eng, 9-5-2-0, \$229,409. \*1/2 to Klassique (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Eng, MGSP-Fr, \$180,470.

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**Werk Nick Rating: A.** Click for the **eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Dubai Future (GB)**, 126, g, 7, Dubawi (Ire)--Anjaz, by Street Cry (Ire). O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \$36,000.

3--**Ottoman Fleet (GB)**, 125, g, 4, **Sea The Stars (Ire)**--Innevera (Fr), by Motivator (GB). (€290,000 Wlg '19 ARQDEC; 425,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-Godolphin; B-SCEA Marmion Vauville & Alain Jathiere (GB); T-Charlie Appleby. \$18,000.

Margins: 3/4, HF, 4 1/4.

Also Ran: Zagrey (Fr), Freescape (GB), Fastnet Crown (Ire), San Donato (Ire), King David (Den), Passion And Glory (Ire), Ursa Minor (Ire), Wirko (Ger). **Click for the VIDEO.**

## DUBAI

### Friday's Results:

**6th-Meydan, Cond**, \$150,000, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 10f, 2:04.98, fs.

**SALUTE THE SOLDIER (GER)** (g, 8, **Sepoy** {Aus}--**Street Fire** {Ire}, by **Street Cry** {Ire}), who won the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3 in early March of 2021, did not visit the winner's circle again until Friday's success. Fifth in the G1 Dubai World Cup later that month, he did no better than fifth in three separate tries--all at stakes level--in 2022. His latest start was a fifth defending his Al Maktoum Challenge crown last March. Part of the early pace scramble, Adrie De Vries eventually steered the gelding to the head of affairs, and he stayed glued to the fence for the entirety of the race from stall eight. **Cont. p11**



Salute The Soldier | DRC

### 6th-Meydan Cont.

Bendoog (**Gun Runner**) attempted to make a race of it at the 500-metre mark, but Salute The Soldier was always holding him and lasted to win by 2 1/4 lengths. Atletico El Culano (Uru) (Alcorano {Brz}) passed Bendoog late for second. "I'm so happy for the horse and for the team to get him back to that level, as it was a tough race today," said De Vries. "Since we moved to Meydan [Nass is now based at Grandstand Stables] he seems a lot happier. Last year he just wasn't the same horse and I had my doubts he would get back, but he's proved me wrong." The sixth foal, fifth runner and fifth winner for his unraced dam, the 8-year-old's youngest siblings are a juvenile filly by Profitable (Ire) named Smouldering (GB) and a yearling full-sister to her. GI Eddie Read H. hero Monzante (Maria's Mon) is a half-brother to Salute The Soldier's second dam, Firedrake (Kris S.). Another half-sister, the Woodman mare Leaf Storm, is the dam of Peruvian Horse of the Year Golden Leaf (Arg) (Stay Thirsty), and this is also the clan of GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Skywalker (Relaunch). Sales history: 380,000gns HRA '19 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 26-9-5-3, \$1,370,118. **VIDEO.** O-Victorious; B-Alan Spence (GER); T-Fawzi Abdulla Nass. \*380,000gns HRA '19 TATAUT.

**4th-Meydan, Cond, \$150,000, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:22.68, gd.**

**SOFT WHISPER (IRE) (m, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--Placidia {Ire}, by Sea The Stars {Ire})** made it two wins in a row now having previously annexed the Listed Peroni Nastro Azzurro British EBF S. her last start at Ascot on Oct. 1. The 2021 Listed UAE One Thousand Guineas winner was under a tight hold from the break here, eager and on the bridle in the early going but able to be rated about a length back early and stalking the pace set by stablemate White Moonlight (Medaglia d'Oro) in the red cap for

more than 800 meters. Soon after the leader rounded the bend for home, Soft Whisper was on even terms with her chief rival before putting her nose in front with about 400 metres left to go. White Moonlight was unwilling to concede defeat and the two in blue battled gamely to the finish line, the winner swapping leads back to the left for extra traction before pulling away to claim the narrow victory. "She improved physically, even this season," trainer Saeed bin Suroor said. "Her condition wasn't good last year, which can happen with fillies, but we took her back to England and looked after her with a plan to bring her back to Dubai." The 5-year-old is the only winner for her dual-winning dam, and she is a half-sister to fillies of 2021 and 2022 by Night Of Thunder (Ire). This is a fairly deep female family replete with stakes winners and sires including champion Peintre Celebre, three-time Group 1 winner Persian King (Ire), and G1 Prix Ganay hero Planteur (Ire). Lifetime Record: MSW-Eng, SW-UAE, 18-9-2-0, \$433,763. **VIDEO.** O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

**3rd-Meydan, Cond, \$60,000, 3yo, 7f, 1:24.51, fs.**

**TIGER NATION (c, 3, Tamarkuz--Silken, by Out Of Place)**

rocketed straight to the vanguard while under pressure to his outside from Morning (**Munnings**). Striding out in a good rhythm, the dark bay's lead shrank to a neck as Morning inched closer, but he found another gear at the 350-metre mark and motored home a 1 1/4-length victor. Es-Unico (Brz) (War Secretary) produced an eye-catching turn of foot to take second, 5 1/4 lengths ahead of Sharp Army (**Sharp Azteca**). Morning faded to fourth. Tiger Nation had previously won his career bow by open lengths at Jebel Ali on New Year's Day. "It wasn't an easy race and I wasn't sure what to expect, but it couldn't have gone better," said jockey Mickael Barzalona. "He's inexperienced but fast and powerful so he's got everything he needs to get the [UAE 2000 Guineas] trip." Added trainer Salem bin Ghadayer, "I wasn't sure about running him here but I got some pressure from Mickael who wanted him to experience the lights and the track, rather than go straight to the 2000 Guineas. I don't see it's impossible for him to get the mile." The third foal and first winner for his dam, Tiger Nation is followed by juvenile filly Social Smile (**Uncle Mo**). After missing to Moonshine Mullen in 2022, Silken was covered last spring by **Echo Town**. The winner's first four dams were all bred by Claiborne farm. His third dam, the Majestic Light mare Knot, is the fourth dam of dual Grade III winner Clearly Now (Horse Greeley) and GIII Desert Stormer S. heroine Bendable (Horse Greeley). Sales history: \$110,000 2yo '22 FTIMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$45,803. **VIDEO.** O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Richard T. Jackson (KY); T-Salem bin Ghadayer.





Tiger Nation | DRC

**2nd-Meydan, Cond**, \$60,000, 3yo, 6fT, 1:09.12, gd.  
**AL DASIM (IRE) (c, 3, Harry Angel {Ire}--Dance Hall Girl {Ire}, by Dansili {GB})** made easy work of his first start of the year and a smooth transition from an all-weather conditions win at Wolverhampton last out Nov. 22. The well-traveled chestnut, who was making his seventh start at his eighth track and fourth for trainer George Boughey, was taken back off the pace after a clean break and set out toward the middle of the course early. He was content to lay a couple lengths behind the dueling pacesetters Fast Uno (Brz) (War Secretary), Noor Bano (Ire) (Kodi Bear) and Kal Barg (Mark Valeski), who were all stretched out across the course virtually rail to rail, in the early going and after about 600 metres, was asked for his best run. He easily threaded his way between his rivals and soon after taking the lead, drifted over closer to the inside rail to complete his task. Under little more than a hand ride, he pulled away to earn the three-length win while gearing down past the finish. "It was obviously fantastic, our second runner in Dubai to be a winner," Boughey said. "To have horses running all around the world and through the winter to have a nice team of horses to run in Dubai is fantastic. "He's a horse who's been targeted to come out here for a while. Sheikh Abdullah obviously wants to have horses running out here and he's got a fantastic stable in Kuwait and in Saudi, and now to have a winner in Dubai is obviously great. He's a horse who'll probably head towards the Dubai Trophy in February. He's shown an adaptability to run on turf and also on the all-weather, and it would be no surprise to see him run on the dirt. Everyone's delighted and huge credit goes to my team out here: Ryan King and Charles Eddery who have the horses in great shape. It's a feather in the cap for everyone at home." The winner is a half to Tashweeq (Ire) (Big Bad Bob {Ire}), SW-Eng, \$142,034; and a juvenile filly by **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**. Under the

third dam is G1 French 2000 Guineas hero Bachir (Ire) (Desert Style {Ire}). Sales history: £50,000 Ylg '21 GUKAUG. Lifetime Record: 9-4-3-0, \$61,347. **VIDEO**.  
 O-Sheikh Abdullah Almalek Alsabah; B-Skymarc Farm (IRE); T-George Boughey.

#### ADDITIONAL HANDICAP RESULTS:

**1st-Meydan, Hcp**, \$75,000, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 8f, 1:38.07, fs.

**ROYAL MEWS (FR) (g, 6, Siyouni {Fr}--Queen Arabella {GB}, by Medicean {GB})** Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$81,792. O-Deva Racing; B-Meon Valley Stud (FR); T-Bhupat Seemar. \*€72,000 Wlg '17 ARQDEC; €350,000 Ylg '18 GOFORB; AED520,000 HRA '21 DUBSEP. **VIDEO**.

**7th-Meydan, Hcp**, \$75,000, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:35.37, gd.

**ELECTRICAL STORM (GB) (g, 6, Dubawi {Ire}--Mujarah {Ire}, by Marju {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 14-3-4-4, \$99,138. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \*1/2 to Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Hwt. 3yo-Eur at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. 3yo-Eng at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eur at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. 3yo-Fr at 7-9 1/2f, Hwt. Older Horse-Fr at 7-9 1/2f, MG1SW-Eng & Fr, G1SP-UAE, \$3,443,680. **VIDEO**.

## BUSINESS PROGRAMME ANNOUNCED FOR THE 39TH ASIAN RACING CONFERENCE

The 39th Asian Racing Conference Business Programme was revealed on Friday. Set for Wednesday, Feb. 15, the ARC Business Programme will begin with "The Landscape", a scene-setting session that will explore the changing landscape of sport.

ARF Chairman Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, also CEO of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, will share his vision for the future of global racing and the opportunities and the barriers that line that path to that future. Other speakers include Masayuki Goto, Vice-Chairman of ARF and President and CEO of the Japan Racing Association, British Horseracing Authority CEO Julie Harrington, former Victorian Attorney-General and Racing Minister Martin Pakula, Chairman of the Australian Turf Club Peter McGauran, and Harvey Norman CEO and Magic Millions co-principal Katie Page-Harvey.

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## BAHRAIN TURF SERIES DOUBLE FOR CALLAN, AL HADDAD AND AL MOHEMEDIYA RACING

**The Covex Kid (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}) and **Mobaadel (Speightstown)** gave jockey Neil Callan, trainer Hesham Al Haddad and Al Mohemediya Racing a double as the Bahrain Turf Series continued on Friday.

The Al Adiyat Cup, an 1800-metre conditions race and local Bahraini Group 2, went to The Covex Kid, who was winning his second race of the Bahrain Turf Series after taking the Al Dana Cup last out. It was also a trifecta for Al Haddad, who also trains the runner-up **Tawaareq (Ire)** (Shamardal) and the third home, **Zagato (GB)** (Frankel {GB}).

"I've ridden a lot of nice horses in England but with regards to horses to ride he's unreal," said Callan of The Covex Kid, who will now be aimed at the King's Cup in March. "He's super chilled and you can put him where you want and you can do whatever you want with him. The pace was slow which surprised me so I just took the box seat. I probably sent him on a bit earlier than I wanted to. I knew the horse in front of me wasn't going to go any further and I didn't want to break his stride. It just meant I had to commit a little bit earlier but I knew he was going to gallop through the line. He's been winning over 2000m and over 2400m. He's just a nice horse and a very easy horse to ride."

Held over 1000 metres, the Al Wasmiya Cup is a local Bahrain Group 3, and Mobaadel ran out a three-length winner over George Baker's **Get It (GB)** (Twilight Son {GB}).

Added Callan, "He came back from Dubai, had sore shins and just wasn't right in his coat. His runs had been okay but not to his level so it kind of gave me optimism that he was still running well but not 100%. Coming back off set weights against horses that he should be giving plenty of weight to and having experienced his last piece of work, changed my mind. I got off him and said 'I'm riding him' and he duly obliged. I'm glad he's back and we're hoping he can improve to the level he was at last season and he should be able to hold his own."

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## \$2.5 MILLION VINNIE COLT TO CIARON MAHER



Friday's \$2.5-million topper | Magic Millions

by Oz Wedmore

### At A Glance:

- The average after Day 4 stood at \$297,259, up from \$293,648 at the same point last year.
- The median dipped slightly to \$220,000, just behind last year's, whilst the gross was \$207,784,000, nearly \$2 millions ahead of the comparable 2022 figure.
- The clearance rate climbed again to 88.15%, compared to 93.5% at the same point last year.
- The top lot was the \$2.5 million I Am Invincible colt (Lot 676) out of Booker (Written Tycoon) who sold from the Coolmore Stud draft to Ciaron Maher Racing.
- There were four further yearlings to sell for \$1 million or more, including the \$2-million daughter of I Am Invincible who sold to the holiday-making Rigney family from the draft of Segenhoe Stud.
- On aggregate, I Am Invincible extended his lead again amongst the sires, now sitting over \$13 million clear, as Zoustar remained just ahead of Snitzel. The Yarraman Park resident also leads those two on average, his jumping markedly up to \$731,905.
- Blue Point (Ire) remained at the head of the first-season sires, with his 16 lots selling for an average of \$378,125.

- The combination of China Horse Club, Newgate, Go Bloodstock and Trilogy Racing continue to lead the buyer's bench on aggregate after Day 4--they have spent a total of \$10,100,000 on 18 yearlings so far.
- Of the vendors, Newgate Farm-consigned yearlings have brought the most money so far, their 44 to sell totalling \$14,525,000, fractionally ahead of Segenhoe Stud who have sold 25. Emirates Park now lead on average (\$591,429) from their seven to sell.

It was another exceptional day of trade at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale, as two horses reached or surpassed the \$2 million mark. The results didn't stop there, as a further three yearlings made seven figures, including the \$1-million trade of a daughter of first-season sire Too Darn Hot (GB).

But, for Magic Millions' Managing Director Barry Bowditch, a particular highlight was seeing the Rigney family extend their holiday to add a \$2-million daughter of I Am Invincible to their brand new Australian collection.

"It's fantastic to have new people come to our horse sale, and the Rigneys have seen an opportunity in Australia to come here and buy some fast fillies," Bowditch said.

"They're a fantastic couple, they've had a great time and I've enjoyed hosting them this week. I'm delighted that they've participated in the market, and, obviously, they went to a big level today and they've probably bought one of the best fillies to walk through a Magic Millions sales ring.

"The average has just slowed up a little bit, (but) there are some good deals being done outside the sale ring, that means buyers are getting every opportunity. There's a good thirst there to buy these horses; a clearance rate of 88%, an average of almost \$300,000--it's extraordinary."

Looking ahead to the Magic Millions Raceday on Saturday, Bowditch said his team will have more reason than the ordinary punter to be cheering home the favourite Empire Of Japan (Snitzel) in the R. Listed Magic Millions 2YO Classic.

"It's interesting isn't it? Having the half-brother to one of the star colts of the sale (Lot 995, Exceed And Excel x Ichihara) starting favourite... It's something for us as a sales company to cheer on tomorrow, but no one will be cheering harder than George Altomonte and his team."

The half-brother by Exceed And Excel will enter the sale ring at around 8 p.m. (AEST) on Saturday evening.

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**John Kennedy on the 'Vinnie' colt**

### ***\$2.5-million I Am Invincible x Booker colt***

In any other year at the Gold Coast, the \$2.5 million commanded by the Coolmore Stud-consigned I Am Invincible colt (Lot 676) out of Booker (Written Tycoon) might have been the headline result from the sale. As it is, Ciaran Maher Bloodstock can hold claim only to the third-most-expensive signing of the sale so far.

A winner of the 2019 G1 Oakleigh Plate for Mathew Ellerton, Booker also won the G2 Thousand Guineas Prelude and the G3 Kevin Hayes S.

She isn't the only fast one in her family either--her brother is Waikato's speedy new sire Banquo, a listed winner at Flemington who later that season was only just mown down by Microphone in the G2 Autumn S.

Booker was purchased by Tom Magnier for a Coolmore-led partnership at the 2020 Inglis Chairman's Sale for \$1.6 million, and hence Friday's sale provided an almighty return on that investment--with her very first foal.

"It was a great result," Coolmore's Stud Manager John Kennedy told *TDN AusNZ*. "It was a mare partnership that we put together a number of years ago so it's been a project that's been in the pipeline for quite some time.

"The day this colt was born it was a sigh of relief--he's been an outstanding animal since that day, always carrying himself in the right manner.

"It's a team effort that goes into producing these animals and it's a credit to all the staff at Coolmore that this fella's come to the sales and turned himself out in such good condition."

Coolmore stud have now been on both ends of the high-level action--both instances involving progeny of I Am Invincible--with Tom Magnier signing for the record-breaking son of Anaheed (Fastnet Rock) on Thursday.

"It's a special sale for us, in 2019 we brought what we thought was a special draft up here and we've had two Group 1 winners out of it--let's hope he's the next one.

Kennedy reported that Booker's filly foal to follow is very much in the same mould as her brother, and that the mare is carrying a pregnancy to their dual-Group 1 winner Home Affairs. Given that they've managed to recoup the initial investment in Booker at the first attempt, will they be tempted to retain her filly foal?

"We'll see what this guy does in between," said Kennedy. "If he wins the Slipper, we'll have an easy decision on our hands."

### ***\$2-Million I Am Invincible X Flippant Filly***

The Rigneys evidently enjoyed their first experience of buying a horse during their holiday in Australia on Thursday--so much so that they changed their flights in order to return on Friday and duly secured a second seven-figure filly. This one, bred and consigned by Yarraman Park as Lot 873, cost them even more at \$2 million, and is by the stud's own Champion I Am Invincible.

She is the second produce of the Group 3-winning Hinchinbrook mare Flippant, and from the family of Group 1 winners I Am Excited (Snitzel), Atlantic Jewel (Fastnet Rock), Commanding Jewel (Commands) and Russian Emperor (Galileo {Ire}).

With John Moynihan guiding their first foray into Australian bloodstock, Rick Rigney admitted that their sudden involvement might not have been as spontaneous as it first seemed.

"John was telling us what great racing it is here in Australia for three or four years and has been telling me that I have to come down," he said after the sale.



**John Moynihan | *Magic Millions***



Sheamus Mills | *Magic Millions*

He added, “Earlier this week our daughter got scuba-certified so we went diving with our daughter. It has been the greatest experience for us.

“We’ve had these great experiences and we’ve already named the first filly Invincible Maddison after our daughter was diving for sharks.”

Like Thursday’s purchase, the I Am Invincible filly will be sent to Peter and Paul Snowden to train and, asked what the outcome might be should the fillies prove successful on the track, Rigney said he would be inclined to keep them in Australia.

### ***\$1.45 Million Zoustar X Fuddle Dee Duddle Filly***

Having signed for Zoustar’s \$1.1-million daughter (out of Member’s Joy) on the first day of the sale, Sheamus Mills of Sheamus Mills Bloodstock (FBAA) struck again on Friday to secure another of his daughters.

Consigned by Longwood Thoroughbred Farm as Lot 886, Mills forked out \$1.45 million for the filly out of Fuddle Dee Duddle (Red Ransom {USA}), a Group 3 winner who is a half-sister to Group 2 winner and Group 1-placed Hallowell Belle (Starcraft). Fuddle Dee Duddle is also a half-sister to the dam of Bella Nipotina (Pride Of Dubai) and has produced a sister to Mills’s acquisition, last year’s G3 Maribyrnong Plate winner Brereton.

“She’s right up there,” Mills said. “The nice ones have made plenty. We had a bit of a go at the I Am Invincible x Flippant—it didn’t come off... Two nice horses within five lots, that’s been the story of the week, a concentration of nice horses then it goes quiet for a little while.

“I just really like the stallion, he’s had an enormous year, particularly with his 3-year-old fillies. He just keeps going up a level and up a level.

“In his early days, in his first-ever crop, I bought a filly called

Persuader who won a couple of stakes races for us, then the market got away from me then in terms of being able to buy one. Now, in my opinion, he’s justifying the prices they’re paying.

“She’ll probably go to Mick Price’s...as long as he keeps training winners, I’ll keep giving him horses.”

### ***\$1-million Too Darn Hot (GB) x Enbihaar Filly***

Whilst first-season shuttle stallion Too Darn Hot stands in both hemispheres under Darley’s banner, he was bred and raced by media baron Andrew Lloyd Webber’s Watership Down Stud.

The son of Dubawi (Ire) evaded the stud’s regular policy of selling colts and retaining only fillies because of a minor issue as a youngster, and instead found his way to John Gosden’s Newmarket stable, going on to achieve dual-champion accolades and joining the Darley roster in partnership with his breeder.

Johnny McKeever represents Watership Down in the Southern Hemisphere, and therefore knows the stallion well. So, when what he terms an exceptional type was offered on Friday by Vinery Stud as Lot 828, he was comfortable in stretching to \$1 million to secure the second foal from the exceptional juvenile Enbihaar (Magnus).

Secured in conjunction with Watership Down and Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott Racing, McKeever agreed that the abundance of elite juvenile form in the pedigree, coupled with her intended trainers, points to an obvious profile for the filly.


“Hopefully we get a good 2-year-old,” he laughed. “She’s very strong behind, a huge muscular hindquarter, very good, following through walk.

“She may take a bit longer, but I definitely think she’ll be a 2-year-old winner and hopefully she’s a 2-year-old group winner—even better if she’s a 2-year-old Group 1 winner.”

Adrian Bott & Johnny McKeever | *Magic Millions*

It's a strong show of support from Watership Down of their first-season sire, but McKeever has little doubt that his progeny, with the influence of the world-class Dubawi, will find success in the Southern Hemisphere.

"I, personally, just feel...certain sires are over and above ordinary," he said. "Galileo would be one, Dubawi would be one... There's no reason to be negative. I know he (Dubawi) wasn't particularly well-received when he came down to Australia, that at this point in his career when it's so obvious that he's highly elite, there's no question."

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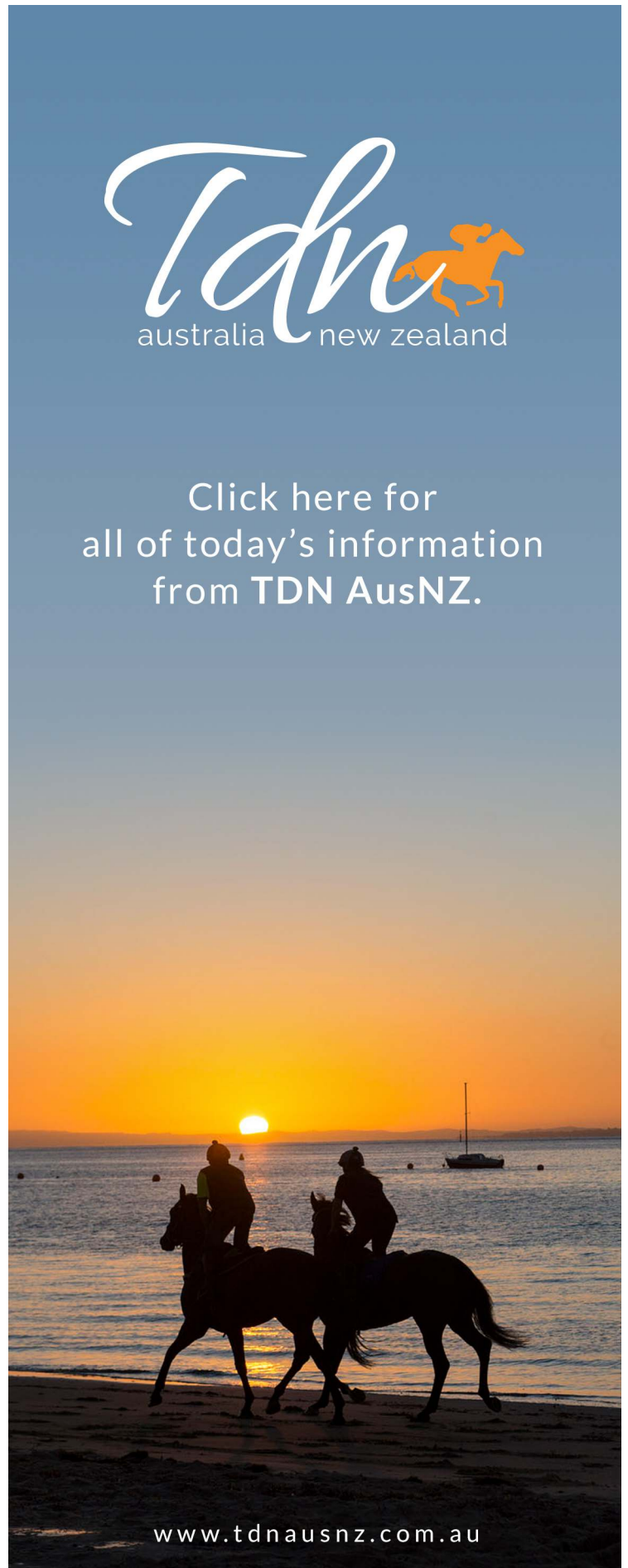
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Date	Race	Track
Jan. 14	G3 Standish H.	Flemington
Jan. 26	G3 Blue Diamond Preview	LP Hillside
	G3 Manfred S.	LP Hillside
Jan. 28	G2 Expressway S.	Rosehill
	G3 Widden S.	Rosehill
	G3 Canonbury S.	Rosehill
	G2 Australia S.	The Valley
Feb. 4	G3 Chairman's S.	LP Hillside
	G3 Geoffrey Bellmaine S.	LP Hillside
	G3 Eskimo Prince S.	LP Hillside
Feb. 10	G3 Bow Mistress Trophy	Hobart
Feb. 11	G3 Blue Diamond Prelude	LP Hillside
	G2 Blue Diamond Prelude (F)	LP Hillside
	G2 Autumn S.	LP Hillside
	G3 Kevin Hayes S.	LP Hillside
	G2 Rubiton S.	LP Hillside
	G1 C.F. Orr S.	LP Hillside
	G3 Carlyon Cup	LP Hillside
	G2 Apollo S.	Royal Randwick
	G2 Light Fingers S.	Royal Randwick

  
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