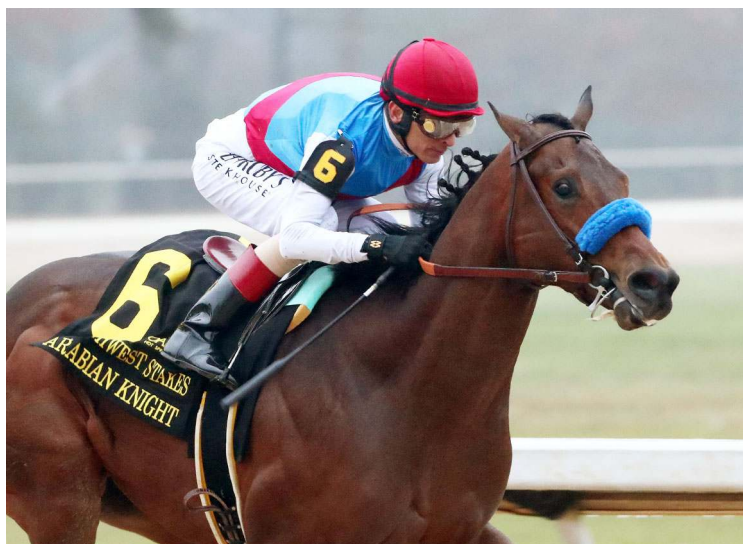


BAFFERT BIGGER, STRONGER THAN EVER



Arabian Knight | Coady Photography

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

Bob Baffert has certainly taken his lumps ever since it was discovered that **Medina Spirit** (Protonico) tested positive for a banned substance in the 2021 GI Kentucky Derby. He was hit with a 90-day suspension from the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, the New York Racing Association banned him for a year and Churchill Downs banned him for two years. Though Baffert is still fighting the Churchill ban, in all likelihood, he will not be allowed to start a horse in this year's Derby, which would be the second straight year he was prevented from running a horse in the race.

Then, it was reported last week, that horses currently trained by Baffert must be sent to another trainer by Feb. 28. If not, they will not be eligible for qualifying points for the Derby. Last year, he didn't have to turn over his Derby hopefuls to another stable until just prior to the last round of Derby preps, races like the GI Santa Anita Derby and the GI Arkansas Derby.

With just about any other trainer, these penalties could have been a major setback, with owners sending their horses to new barns. But Baffert is not any other trainer. When it comes to winning Triple Crown races he is arguably the best there has ever been and owners know that teaming up with him improves their chances of winning the sport's most coveted races, even if he might not be the trainer of their horses when it comes Derby time. No one walked away. **Cont. p3**

AFTER WASP ATTACK, FIPKE GRATEFUL TO BE ALIVE by Bill Finley

For Chuck Fipke, Saturday could have gone better. His **Lady Speightspeare** (**Speightstown**) finished fourth in the GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational S. and with a better trip might have been closer.

"That's the way horse racing is," the owner and breeder said. "I was kind of disappointed. For every time you do well in this sport, it seems that you are disappointed 50 times."

Not that Fipke was complaining. With his having nearly died just 15 days before the race, it's easy to keep things in perspective.

On Jan. 13, Fipke was in Costa Rica where he was taking pictures of birds. He had forgotten to bring his glasses and was having trouble seeing. That led him to getting lost and he took a wrong turn and found himself in the thick of the jungle. It was there that he was attacked by a swarm of wasps. **Cont. p5**

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HAVNAMELTDOWN WIRES SAN VICENTE

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Havnameltdown (Uncaptured), one of three Bob Baffert trainees in a four-horse field, went wire-to-wire to earn his third graded victory in the GII San Vicente S. Sunday.

PEGASUS COULD EXPAND TO SANTA ANITA

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According to an Associated Press report, 1/ST racing, which owns Gulfstream Park and Santa Anita, intends to bring the Pegasus format to the California track in 2024.

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

So it's no surprise that Baffert has not suffered the "irreparable harm" that his lawyers kept arguing would be the case when contesting the suspensions. But no one could have foreseen what was to come, that Baffert would emerge from this with more firepower than he has ever had.

That was on full display last weekend. Baffert won the GIII Southwest S. at Oaklawn with **Arabian Knight** (**Uncle Mo**). The next day he captured the GII San Vicente S. with Havnameltdown (Uncaptured), a race in which he sent out three of the four starters. But nothing shined a light on Baffert's dominance quite like the list of nominees for the GIII Robert B. Lewis S., which was released Saturday. Sixteen horses were nominated and 14 are trained by Baffert. He very well could be the only trainer to have a horse in next Saturday's race.

The list of owners of the horses nominated for the Lewis is a stellar group, individuals and partnerships who have remained fiercely loyal to Baffert. You have Zedan Racing Stables, Michael Lund Petersen, the Pegram, Watson, Weitman partnership and the SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables partnership.

The list of Lewis nominees does not include **Cave Rock** (Arrogate). The GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up who was Baffert's best 2-year-old last year, Cave Rock, as of Sunday, had not had a published workout in 2023, not a good sign with the

Derby just 95 days away.

Baffert's weekend also included a win in the GIII Las Virgenes S. for 3-year-old fillies with **Faiza** (**Girvin**) and a second-place finish with **Defunded** (**Dialed In**) in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational.



Faiza | *Benoit*

None of which means that Baffert, or whomever is brought in prior to the Derby, has to win the race, but they will likely head to Churchill with a very strong hand, one led by Arabian Knight.

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After an electric win in his debut Nov. 5 at Keeneland, he had no problem with the next test, two turns and stakes competition in the Southwest. While GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner **Forte** (**Violence**) has accomplished more than Arabian Knight, the Baffert runner, who cost \$2.3 million at the OBS April sale, has been so impressive that he looks like the leader of the division and he tops the **TDN's Derby Top 12**. Look for him to take the Oaklawn route to the Derby and follow in the footsteps of 2015 Triple Crown winner **American Pharoah** (Pioneer of the Nile), who won the GII Rebel S. and the Arkansas Derby on his way to Louisville.

The most starters Baffert has ever had in the Derby is three, which he has done four times. Last year, Tim Yakteen, subbing for Baffert, had two. Could Baffert, or whomever is brought in to deputize, have six or seven starters in this year's race? It seems entirely possible. And after the Derby has been run, the last of the suspensions or bans that Baffert has been hit with, will be over. He can move on.

With the two-year anniversary of Medina Spirit having tested positive in the Derby coming up, the Hall of Fame trainer has proved his resiliency and his major owners have all stood by him. It's no doubt been a trying two years for Baffert, but it could have been a lot worse. He's stronger than ever.

Numbers Plummet at Sam Houston

For those of you who missed it, **Pauline's Pearl** (**Tapit**) won Saturday's GIII Houston Ladies Classic at Sam Houston and **Scarlet Fusion** (**Curly**) captured the GIII John Connally Turf Cup. Not that hardly anybody was able to watch or wager on those races.

You have to feel bad for Sam Houston management, which has done a good job over the years promoting what it calls the Houston Racing Festival. The event has given the track some needed exposure over the years and brought in some good horses. Midnight Bisou (**Midnight Lute**) won the Ladies Classic in 2019 and Letruska (Super Saver) captured the race in 201.

But this year, thanks to a hissy fit from the Texas Racing Commission, the Saturday card at Sam Houston was all but invisible. The Texas racing regulators pulled the plug on the simulcasting of all races in the state after declaring that the advent of the Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Act meant it was illegal to send the races out of state. So, unless you were present in Texas Saturday, you could neither watch nor bet on the Sam Houston races. With no betting being taken on the races, none of the major ADWs showed the Sam Houston races.

The results were predictable. The handle on the day was \$488,385. Last year, when the races were run on a Sunday, the handle was \$5,698,052. That's a decline of 91.4%.

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PEGASUS WORLD CUP CHAMPIONS ARE BRED IN KENTUCKY

ART COLLECTOR rolled to an authoritative victory in the **\$3,000,000 Pegasus World Cup Inv. S. (G1)** at Gulfstream Park on Saturday, becoming the seventh Kentucky-bred to win the lucrative race in its eight-year history.

Also on the Pegasus program, **ATONE** captured the **\$1,000,000 Pegasus World Cup Turf Inv. S. (G1)**, and **QUEEN GODDESS** won the **\$500,000 Pegasus World Cup Filly and Mare Turf (G3)**.

Congratulations to the connections

Pegasus World Cup Inv. S. (G1) **ART COLLECTOR**

Owner: Bruce Lunsford

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Pegasus World Cup Turf Inv. S. (G1) **ATONE**

F-T July - \$130,000

Owner: Three Diamonds Farm

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Trainer: Mike Maker

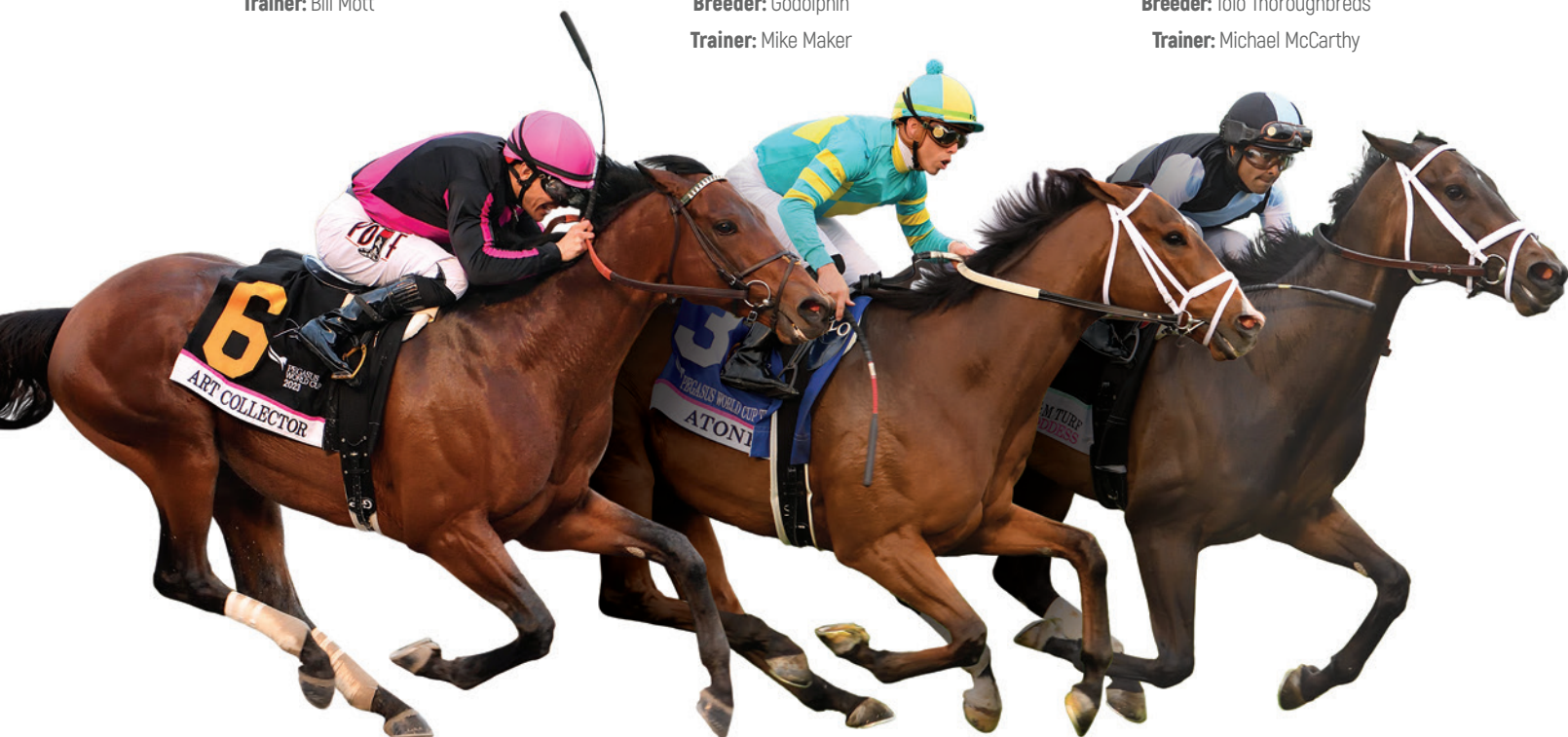
Pegasus World Cup Filly & Mare Turf (G3) **QUEEN GODDESS**

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The Texas tracks get some of their purse money from a fund that comes from sales taxes on horse feed, tack and other horse-related products and services. But trying to maintain purses when the handle is next to nothing is not feasible. Meanwhile, the Texas Racing Commission continues to cut off its nose to spite its face, putting the future of racing in the state in jeopardy.

At Pegasus World Cup, Business is Booming

1/ST Racing has put a lot of its resources behind turning a day at the races into an event. The best example is Pegasus World Cup Day. By combining a stellar day of racing, a \$3-million race and a number of on-track entertainment options, 1/ST has turned the day into a horse racing party.

That might not appeal to everyone as there are surely a lot of curmudgeonly horseplayers who could do without having to pay a good dollar to attend and have no interest in listening to musical acts whose audience are Gen Z-ers. But it is working. They handled \$43,886,543 Saturday at Gulfstream. Up until 2016, the race was not the Pegasus but the GI Donn H. and the likes of Kygo, OneRepublic and Joe Jonas were nowhere to be found. In the last year of the Donn, the handle was \$19,954,971. It has more than doubled since.

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After Wasp Attack, Fipke Grateful to be Alive (cont. from p1)

"I was making my way through the jungle and I ran into the wasps," he said. "They literally swarmed all over my body. I was bitten well over 2,000 times."

From there, it was just a matter of whether or not he would live. Fipke said he passed out after the attack but he woke up in time to call out and was found by a young Costa Rican. With the assistance, he was taken to a four-wheel drive police vehicle and then transported to a small satellite hospital.

"I wasn't doing very well but they managed to get me from the satellite hospital to a really good local hospital with really good doctors," he said.

He had come that far, but there were no guarantees that he would make it.

"The doctor there didn't think I would survive," Fipke said. "He said he hadn't heard of anyone who had ever survived an attack like this. There are 400 different types of wasps, but these were really bad wasps. I didn't think I was going to make it. My fiancée didn't think I was going to make it and neither did the doctor. When you have some good horses like I do, you really don't want to die. On the one hand, I was very unlucky that this happened to me. On the other hand, I lived. So I was lucky."

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To make matters worse, some wasps had burrowed their way inside his eardrum, threatening his hearing. Fipke underwent a successful surgery to remove the wasps from his ear and his hearing was saved.

In time, and though he said the itching was unbearable, Fipke started to improve. On Jan. 20, he returned to a hospital in his native British Columbia, Canada and a few days later was released. He said he's now about 70% recovered. But he never considered traveling to Gulfstream.



Chuck Fipke | Horsephotos

"There was no way I could travel," Fipke said. "It wasn't until the last few days that I started to improve and then I improved quite a bit."

The wasp attack was not the first time Fipke has been seriously ill. He said he had previously suffered from a case of cerebral malaria, also a life-threatening illness.

"I wasn't supposed to survive the case of cerebral malaria, but I did," Fipke said. "I've used up two of my nine lives. Seven to go."

Lady Speightspeare has been one of top runners in the Fipke barn over the last few years. She won the GI Natalma S. in 2020, the same year she was named Canada's champion 2-year-old filly. In what may have been the best race of her career, she finished third in this year's GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf. A five-time stakes winner, she earned \$457,420.

The Pegasus was her last race and she will now be bred to **Gun Runner**. It will be a while before that foal makes it to the races, but Fipke should be around to watch its career unfold. He is a lucky man.

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2nd Dam: **Charms Way**, by **Salt Lake**

3rd Dam: **Remember Midnight**, by **Cure the Blues**

(\$16,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT; \$200,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR).

O-Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson & Paul Weitman;

B-Katherine S Devall (FL); T-Bob Baffert; J-Juan J. Hernandez.

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O-Michael Lund Petersen; B-Dattt Farm LLC (KY); T-Bob

Baffert. \$40,000.

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3--**Fort Warren**, 120, c, 3, **Curlin**--La Appassionata,

by Bernardini. '**TDN Rising Star**'. **1ST BLACK TYPE,**

1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. (\$550,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP).

O-SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert

E. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Jay A. Schoenfarber,

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Mike Pegram, Karl Watson and Paul Weitman's Havnameltdown set all the fractions and held stablemate and co-favorite Faustin at bay to the wire to win the GII San Vicente S. by 1 1/2 lengths at Santa Anita Sunday. Off a tad awkwardly from his inside post, Havnameltdown recovered quickly to pull himself to the early lead and was in control after a quarter in :22.46, with longshot Man Child (**Creative Cause**), the lone non-Baffert runner in the four-horse field, in close attendance. The bay colt inched further clear entering the far turn as the half went up in :45.46. Faustin, making his first start since a '**TDN Rising Star**'-worthy debut at Santa Anita Dec. 26, loomed a threat nearing the stretch, but Havnameltdown scampered clear into the lane and maintained his advantage to the wire as his stablemate tried in vain to reel him in down the length of the stretch.

"I felt out of the gate with the first jump, he broke really fast and strong then after that I felt like I was just cruising," said winning jockey Juan Hernandez. "He was having fun out there. He was kind of waiting for horses, I was doing the same thing, I was just waiting for him and waiting for the competition to get close to me so I could start making my horse run. At the three-eighths, I felt the pressure a little bit and I asked him and he responded really well. Turning for home he switched leads and he picked it up by himself."

Havnameltdown will likely stay at one-turn distances, while Baffert is looking forward to stretching Faustin out.

"This horse is built for this distance that's him, one turn," Baffert said of the winner. "He will stay one turn. Faustin, he was kind of a grinding slow, he wants to go longer, the other horse [Fort Warren] wants to go longer. You try to get outs into them so they'll learn and you'll figure [them out]. The other two are ready to go long.

"The problem is that if you break your maiden first time out, you have to run in stakes. It is that way all over the country. Just getting these races into them is important. Faustin, you can tell he is not there yet, once he goes two turns, you'll see a big difference in him. He was trying to get there but he was running against a top-class sprinter."

Havnameltdown was a \$16,000 OBSOCT purchase by pinhooker Blas Perez, who resold the colt for \$200,000 following a :9 4/5 work at last year's OBS April sale. The colt graduated on debut at Del Mar last July and added a win in the Aug. 14 GIII Best Pal S. in his second outing. He suffered his first loss when second behind stablemate Cave Rock (Arrogate) in the Sept. 11 GI Del Mar Futurity, but returned to the winner's circle with a 1 1/4-length victory in the Nov. 20 GIII Bob Hope S. last time out.



Havnameltdown | Benoit

Pedigree Notes:

Havnameltdown is one of six graded winners for his sire Uncaptured. The Canadian champion 2-year-old, who began his stud career at Ocala Stud, relocated to South Korea for the 2020 breeding season.

The winner's dam, Ashley's Babe, in foal to Maximus Mischief, RNA'd for \$170,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale. She has a 2-year-old **Tapiture** colt who RNA'd for \$4,500 earlier this month at the Keeneland January sale.

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REPORT: 1/ST RACING PLANNING ON HOLDING PEGASUS RACES AT SANTA ANITA IN 2024

by Bill Finley

According to an *Associated Press* report, 1/ST racing, which owns Gulfstream Park and Santa Anita, intends to bring the Pegasus format to the California track in 2024.

"I'd really love to see that we bring it to the **West Coast**," 1/ST President and CEO Belinda Stronach told the AP. "That will probably happen in 2024. What we did this year for 2023 was said, 'OK, we have a number of great race days, let's coordinate those better and call it the 1/ST Racing Tour and recognize great achievements within our own footprint.'"

The wire service reported that the plan is to have two Pegasus days in 2024, one at Gulfstream and the other at Santa Anita, with each program including turf and dirt races. It was not immediately clear where the two race days would fit into the calendar and what races would be run at each track. Stronach made it clear that the 2024 schedule will include Pegasus races at Gulfstream, the only home the events has known since it began in 2017.

"This is staying here in Miami," Stronach said. "Pegasus has a home here in Miami. We can't move Pegasus from Miami. We have great partners here and it's more than just a day now. We have deep roots here in Miami."

A California Pegasus will join the 1/ST Racing Tour, a package that includes many of the biggest days and races at the 1/ST tracks, including the GI Preakness S. at Pimlico. The tour also includes the runnings of the GI Florida Derby and the GI Santa Anita Derby.

"We can never rest on our laurels," Stronach said. "We have to keep moving forward. We have a great team that's really committed."

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ART COLLECTOR IN FINE SHAPE AFTER PEGASUS WIN

Bruce Lunsford's **Art Collector** (Bernardini) exited his win in Saturday's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational in fine shape, according to trainer Bill Mott.

"He's happy. He was bright and alert and seemed to be feeling pretty good about himself," Mott reported from Payson Park Sunday morning.

Art Collector, winner of the 2021 GI Woodward S., had been a solid stakes performer before his emphatic 4 1/2-length victory in the Pegasus Saturday.

"It's strange. I knew he was doing well going into the race. I felt like he was training well, but you can't really predict the outcome in a race like that," Mott said. "There's some nice horses in there and you don't know much about the rest of them. I knew our horse was doing well. Did he exceed expectations? I wouldn't say that because I didn't know what to expect."

Plans for the 6-year-old remain up in the air.

"Anytime you've got a well-bred horse that's a Grade I-stakes winner, I think going to stud is always an option, and it's just a matter of timing when you do it. I can't say what was going on in [Lunsford's] head. I don't think that was the first thing that was on his mind though," Mott said. "I think Bruce kind of entered the new year thinking he enjoys seeing him on the racetrack and I think he was prepared to continue on that route for the rest of the year if things got going well."

Trainer Mike Maker reported Sunday that Three Diamonds Farm's **Atone** (Into Mischief) was also doing well following his breakthrough victory in Saturday's GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational.

"He came out of it in good order," Maker said. "It's impossible not to be impressed by the way he ran."

Maker mentioned the Mar. 25 GII Muniz Memorial Classic at Fair Grounds and May 6 GI Turf Classic at Churchill Downs as possible upcoming targets for Atone.

Atone capped a huge day at Gulfstream for Maker, who also ran sixth in the Pegasus Turf with 74-1 long shot **King Cause** (**Creative Cause**). Earlier in the day, Maker won the GIII Fred W. Hooper with **Endorsed** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) and finished first, second, third and fifth in the GIII William L. McKnight led by winner **Red Knight** (Pure Prize).

On the day, Maker had three wins, one second and two thirds and earned \$846,300 in purses. Prior to that he had a record of 29-4-3-4 with \$154,615 in purses earned at the Championship Meet, which opened Dec. 26.

"It was a great day," Maker said. "We were kind of in a slump there and to break out of it in that fashion felt great."

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1	Lord Miles	Curlin	Vegso Racing Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	118
2	West Coast Cowboy 🦋	West Coast	Gentry Farms	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	118
3	Shadow Dragon	Army Mule	Peachtree Stable	Mott	Ortiz	118
4	Cyclone Mischief 🦋	Into Mischief	Albaugh Family Stables LLC and Castleton Lyons	Romans	Gaffalione	120
5	Mr Bob 🦋	Practical Joke	John Grossi's Racing Corp., Beast Mode Racing Falcone, Jr., Robert N.	Falcone, Jr.	Rosario	118
6	Legacy Isle	Shackleford	Walters, D, Smith, D, Smith, A & Crichton, Rohan	Crichton	Saez	120
7	Il Miracolo 🦋	Gun Runner	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Reyes	118
8	Rocket Can	Into Mischief	Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc.	Mott	Alvarado	118

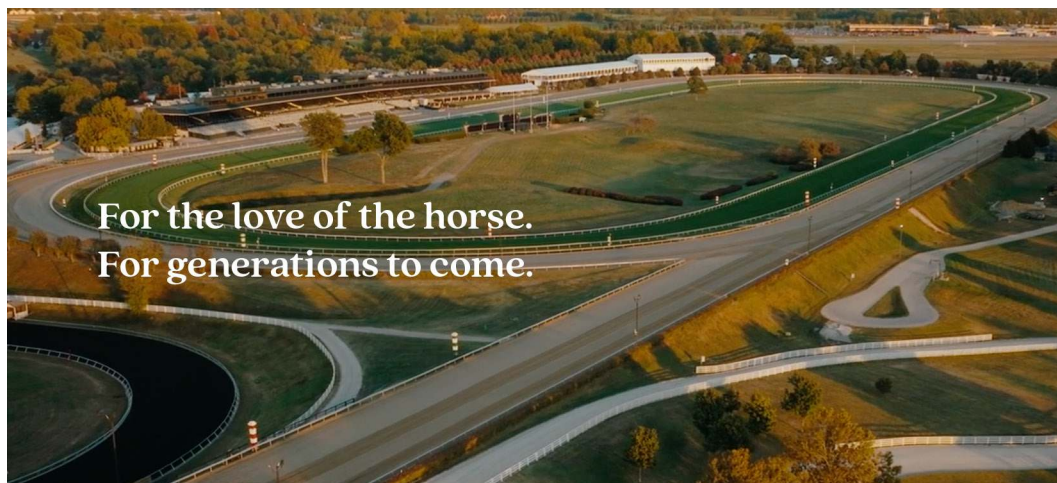
Breeders: 1-Vegso Racing Stable, 2-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 3-AJ Suited, 4-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 5-Clarkland Farm LLC, 6-Erv Woolsey & Ralph Kinder, 7-Willow Oaks Stable LLC, 8-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC

Saturday, Gulfstream #9, post time: 3:46 p.m. EST

KITTEN'S JOY S.-GIII, \$175,000, 3yo, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Candidate	Exaggerator	Mark B. Grier	Delacour	Gaffalione	122
2	Souzak (Fr)	Kodiac (GB)	R. Larry Johnson	Motion	Rosario	120
3	Moon Cat	Malibu Moon	Dare To Dream Stable LLC	Davis	Alvarado	118
4	Major Dude	Bolt d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	124
5	Lights of Broadway 🦋	City of Light	John C. Oxley	Casse	Morelos	122
6	Dude N Colorado (GB) 🦋	Uncle Mo	Three Diamonds Farm	Pletcher	Saez	118
7	Congruent	Tapit	Bobo, Tami and Lugamo Racing Stable LLC	Sano	Zayas	122
8	Boppy O 🦋	Bolt d'Oro	Oxley, John C. and Breeze Easy, LLC	Casse	Ortiz	124

Breeders: 1-Rose Hill Farm & Thoroughbred Acadiana, 2-Ecurie Skymarc Farm & LanglaisBloodstock, 3-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 4-Clearsky Farms, 5-Upson Downs Farm & Papason Stables, 6-St. Elias Stables, LLC, 7-Tapit Syndicate & Glencrest Farm, LLC, 8-Rustlewood Farm, Inc.



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Saturday, Gulfstream #11, post time: 5:01 p.m. EST**SWEETEST CHANT S.-GIII, \$175,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sweetlou'sgotaces 🦋	Constitution	Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable & Twin Sports Racing	Handal	Rosario	122
2	Padma	Tapit	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	118
3	Malley moo 🦋	English Channel	Rockingham Ranch, David A. Bernsen, Talla Racing and JWS Racing LLC	Sisterson	Leparoux	118
4	Metaphysical 🦋	American Freedom	Rocket Ship Racing, LLC	Hiles	Perez	118
5	Alpha Bella	Justify	Don Alberto Stable	Pletcher	Saez	118
6	Bulsara	Klimt	Commonwealth New Era Racing	Trombetta	Reyes	120
7	Cairo Consort	Cairo Prince	Repole Stable and Town and Country Racing, LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	122
8	Heavenly Sunday 🦋	Candy Ride (Arg)	Miacomet Farm	Cox	Gaffalione	120
9	Stephanie's Charm	Distorted Humor	R.T Racing Stable	Jimenez	Ortiz	118

Breeders: 1-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC & George Saufley, 2-Godolphin, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-Brereton C. Jones, 5-Don Alberto Corporation, 6-Ellen B. Kill Kelley, 7-Frankfort Park Farm, 8-Randal Family Trust, 9-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding

Saturday, Gulfstream #6, post time: 2:15 p.m. EST**CLAIBORNE FARM SWALE S.-GIII, \$125,000, 3yo, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	General Jim 🦋	Into Mischief	Courtlandt Farms, LLC	McGaughey III	Saez	120
2	Keanu	Brethren	Arindel	Alvarado	Alvarado	118
3	Two of a Kind	Overanalyze	K and R Racing Stable and Town Branch Racing	Lynch	Rosario	120
4	Aaraj	Commissioner	JFG Thoroughbreds	D'Angelo	Ortiz, Jr.	118
5	King Sparrow	Redesdale	Dexter Craigie, Jr.	Richards	Ruiz	118
6	Super Chow	Lord Nelson	Lea Farms, LLC	Delgado	Sutherland	120

Breeders: 1-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock & Centerline Breeding, 2-Arindel, 3-C. W. Swann & Wetherbee Holdings, LLC., 4-Jumping Jack Racing LLC, 5-Howard C. Nolan, 6-Spendthrift Farm LLC

Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 4:17 p.m. EST**FORWARD GAL S.-GIII, \$125,000, 3yo, f, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Flakes	Frosted	BC Racing LLC	Alvarado	Zayas	118
2	Twice as Sweet	Candy Ride (Arg)	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	120
3	Atomically	Girvin	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Bernard, Michael	Pletcher	Ortiz	120
4	Arella Star 🦋	Nyquist	J Stables LLC	Rodriguez	Vasquez	120
5	Apropos	Mendelssohn	Burning Daylight Farms and Galbraith, Rebecca	Toner	Ruiz	118
6	Lynx	Brethren	Arindel	David	Rosario	120
7	Undervalued Asset 🦋	Speightstown	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	Red Carpet Ready	Oscar Performance	Ashbrook Farm and Upland Flats Racing	Arnold, II	Saez	120
9	Positano Sunset	Goldencents	Six Column Stables, LLC, Bloch, Randall L., Seiler, John and Hall, David	Wilkes	Leparoux	118
10	Adeliese's Smile 🦋	Uncle Mo	R.T Racing Stable	Jimenez	Reyes	118

Breeders: 1-Arindel, 2-Godolphin, 3-Tracy Pinchin & Michael Bernard, 4-Respite Farm, 5-Robert Slack, 6-Arindel, 7-Speightstown Syndicate & Cloyce C. Clark, Jr., 8-Lynn B. Schiff, 9-John Seiler, Randy Bloch, Trish Henson, Brad Stephens & Dave Hall, 10-Breeze Easy, LLC



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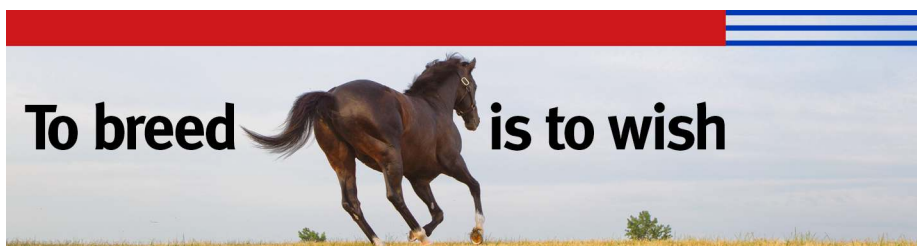
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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Uncle Mo (2008) by Indian Charlie	2	2	1	1	--	--	30	6	458,250	772,678
		Crops: 9		Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY		Fee: \$150,000				Arabian Knight	
2	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday	1	2	--	1	--	--	45	13	58,200	699,183
		Crops: 12		Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY		Fee: \$250,000				No Confession	
3	Goldencents (2010) by Into Mischief	1	2	--	--	--	--	48	10	82,500	383,603
		Crops: 6		Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY		Fee: \$10,000				Lugan Knight	
4	Frosted (2012) by Tapit	1	4	1	2	--	--	31	3	120,000	344,215
		Crops: 4		Stands: Darley KY		Fee: \$10,000				Ice Dancing	
5	Gun Runner (2013) by Candy Ride (Arg)	--	3	--	1	--	--	23	2	141,000	334,481
		Crops: 3		Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY		Fee: Private				Red Route One	
6	Bolt d'Oro (2015) by Medaglia d'Oro	1	2	1	1	--	--	31	6	120,000	328,265
		Crops: 2		Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY		Fee: \$35,000				Instant Coffee	
7	Munnings (2006) by Speightstown	2	4	--	--	--	--	29	7	60,000	317,945
		Crops: 10		Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY		Fee: \$100,000				L Street Lady	
8	Practical Joke (2014) by Into Mischief	--	1	--	--	--	--	36	5	62,400	314,680
		Crops: 3		Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY		Fee: \$25,000				Joking Way	
9	Connect (2013) by Curlin	1	2	--	--	--	--	34	5	90,000	308,648
		Crops: 3		Stands: Lane's End Farm KY		Fee: \$25,000				The Alys Look	
10	Justify (2015) by Scat Daddy	--	2	--	1	--	--	25	3	62,400	283,831
		Crops: 2		Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY		Fee: \$100,000				Verifying	
11	Cairo Prince (2011) by Pioneerof the Nile	1	2	--	--	--	--	42	6	60,140	281,446
		Crops: 6		Stands: Airdrie Stud KY		Fee: \$15,000				Cairo Consort	
12	Mendelssohn (2015) by Scat Daddy	1	1	--	--	--	--	36	8	48,493	279,345
		Crops: 2		Stands: Coolmore Ashford KY		Fee: \$25,000				Bold Zone	
13	Tapwrit (2014) by Tapit	1	1	--	--	--	--	23	5	152,750	269,058
		Crops: 2		Stands: Gainesway Farm KY		Fee: \$10,000				Victory Formation	
14	Violence (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro	--	--	--	--	--	--	18	7	44,400	256,080
		Crops: 7		Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY		Fee: \$40,000				Murky	
15	Good Magic (2015) by Curlin	1	1	1	1	--	--	24	6	60,000	247,487
		Crops: 2		Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY		Fee: \$50,000				Reincarnate	

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Bandita | *Coglianese*

by J.N. Campbell

Bandita (**Gun Runner**), backed down to even-money favoritism, did not disappoint her connections or the bettors turning in a sparkling debut performance to earn 'TDN Rising Star' honors at Gulfstream Park Sunday afternoon.

Breaking alertly, the Bass Stables colorbearer set the tone early by controlling the pace up front. Despite being challenged by Arrow Bolt (Arrogate) just before the far turn, the \$350,000 KEESEP purchase moved professionally, and at the eighth pole, showcased a new set of gears as the rest of the field faded into the background. Bandita hit the wire 8 3/4 lengths ahead of 7-2 shot Ocean Club (**Curlin**) in second.

"It was impressive," winning trainer Todd Pletcher said of the debut effort. "She had trained exceptionally well. She's been a very straightforward filly and her works have been very good so we were looking forward to it."

Pletcher continued, "She was traveling very comfortably and finished up nicely, kind of what we were hoping for. I was glad to see her do it."

Pletcher said all options will be on the table when the connections discuss Bandita's next start.

"We'll see," he said. "She's certainly talented enough to think about stakes but, hopefully, we get a chance to develop her the right way."

Bandita's dam Tricky One, who was purchased by International Equities Holdings for \$275,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed Sale, is a half-sister to MSW Optionality (**Gun Runner**) and SW Simple Surprise (Cowboy Cal), whose millionaire son GISW Gunite (Gunite) won Saturday's King Cotton S. at Oaklawn.

Tricky One has an unnamed 2-year-old filly by Flatter, who sold to pinhooker Tom McCrocklin for \$60,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale, and the mare visited **Practical Joke** last year. Bandita is the sixth 'TDN Rising Star' for last year's leading sophomore sire, **Gun Runner**.

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4th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:22.77, ft, 8 3/4 lengths.

BANDITA, f, 3, **Gun Runner**

1st Dam: Tricky One, by Unbridled's Song

2nd Dam: Simplify, by Pulpit

3rd Dam: Classic Olympio, by Olympio

Sales History: \$350,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Click for the free Equineline.com catalog-style pedigree.** O-Bass Stables, LLC; B-International Equities Holding, Inc. (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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CLOCKER'S CORNER S., \$101,000, Santa Anita, 1-29, (C), 4yo/up, 6 1/2ft, 1:12.05, fm.

1--LANE WAY, 122, g, 6, Into Mischief--Corderosa (GSP), by Aldebaran. (\$550,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-MyRacehorse; B-GWTW Horses LLC (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella; J-Mike E. Smith. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 17-4-6-5, \$367,560.



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2--MOTORIOUS (GB), 122, g, 5, Muhaarar (GB)--Squash (GB), by Pastoral Pursuits (GB). (55,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; 220,000gns 3yo '21 TATAHI). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Anthony Fanticola; B-Kirtlington Stud & Mrs Mary Taylor (GB); T-Philip D'Amato. \$20,000.

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3--Respect the Code, 120, g, 4, Honor Code--Anabaa's Creation (Ire), by Anabaa. (\$47,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$55,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-David A Bernsen LLC and Aldabbagh, Omar; B-St. Elias Stables, LLC (KY); T-George Papaprodromou. \$12,000.

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Margins: 2HF, HF, 2 3/4. Odds: 2.00, 0.70, 13.10.

Also Ran: Yeng Again, Nero, Lambeau, Coulthard (Ire).

Scratched: Count of Amazonia (Ire).

Once again proving his aptitude for Santa Anita's turf course, Lane Way kicked off the season the right way, returning a confident winner. Eased back off the pace soon after the start, the 2-1 chance bided his time as Yeng Again (Carpe Diem) carved out a :22.28 quarter. Closing three wide through a :43.87 half, the 6-year-old edged in front rounding the home turn and kicked clear late to score over favored Motorious, who got up in the final jumps to edge Respect the Code.

"From the time I got on him he was just oozing a lot of confidence today, a little more than normal," said Mike Smith. "I could tell that he was going to run a big one today. A lot of times he will wait on horses, today he actually ran away from them."

"It was impressive. He settled nice and finished really strong. He is always consistent, but he was a little different today."

A winner sprinting at Santa Anita in one of only two starts in 2021, the gelding finished second or better in all five starts last term. Runner up in the GII Eddie D. S. in October, he won against \$80,000 optional claiming company at Santa Anita in November before coming up just 1 3/4 lengths short of the victory in the Dec. 31 GII Joe Hernandez S.

The winner's dam, Corderosa, is also responsible for a yearling colt by **Uncle Mo** and was bred back to **Gun Runner**.

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RILEY ALLISON DERBY, \$100,000, Sunland, 1-29, 3yo, 1m, 1:37.17, ft.

1--**ONE IN VERMILLION**, 124, c, 3, by **Army Mule**

1st Dam: **Given Star**, by **Any Given Saturday**

2nd Dam: **Queens Carousel**, by **Afternoon Deelites**

3rd Dam: **Irving's Girl**, by **Badger Land**

(\$26,000 Ylg '21 ARZNOV). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Jonathan Kalman; B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA); T-Esteban Martinez; J-Harry Hernandez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$149,620. *Sixth stakes winner for sophomore sire (by **Friesan Fire**).

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2--**How Did He Do That**, 124, c, 3, **Good Magic**--Stormin Maggy, by Storm Cat. (\$190,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT). O-J. Kirk & Judy Robison; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$20,000.

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3--**Loudmouthsoup**, 118, c, 3, Speightster--Talkaholic, by Majesticperfection. (\$25,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Charles Garvey; B-Lone Pond Farm & Mr. & Mrs. David M. Washer (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro. \$10,000.

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Margins: 1, 3, 1 3/4. Odds: 3.60, 3.30, 16.10.

Also Ran: Zia Zapper, Giroovin, American Outlaw, Remember Sixtytwo, Fleet of Flags, Wild On Ice. Scratched: Ha Ha for You, Malmo, Respect the Union.

One in Vermillion went wire-to-wire to become the sixth stakes winner from the first crop of his sire, **Army Mule** (**Friesan Fire**), in the Riley Allison Derby at Sunland Sunday. The chestnut colt strode out to the early lead and raced greenly while fending off various challengers through an opening quarter in :23.75 and a half in :46.94.



One in Vermillion | Coady Photography

Headed by Fleet of Flags (**Midshipman**) approaching the lane, One in Vermillion battled back along the inside to retake the lead in upper stretch and had built up enough of an advantage to hold off the late-flying How Did He Do That in the final strides.

One in Vermillion graduated while making his second start in the Turf Paradise Open Spring Futurity last May and resurfaced with a win in the Lost in the Fog S. at Turf Paradise Dec. 21 (both non-black type events).

Given Star, who was purchased by breeder Richard Barton with the winner in utero for \$4,500 at the 2019 Keeneland November sale, has a 2-year-old filly by Cat Burglar and was bred to Bodexpress last year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

BORDERPLEX S., (NB) \$65,000, Sunland, 1-29, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:15.58, ft.

1--**CHRISTIAN D'ORO, 116, f, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Mary Sue**

Weloveyou, by **The Factor**. (\$18,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR). O-G. Chris Coleman; B-Ben D Farm (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Luis A. Fuentes. \$40,300. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$66,300.

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2--**Foolish Delight**, 116, f, 3, Carpe Diem--More Than Folly, by More Than Ready. (\$40,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Christa Utt, Greg Green, M.C.M Stables, LLC & Corie O'Connor; B-E. H. Beau Lane (KY); T-Greg Green. \$14,300.

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3--**Flying Connection**, 121, f, 3, **Nyquist**--Free Flying Soul, by Quiet American. (\$250,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Brad King, Jim Cone, Robert L. Lewis, Suzanne Kirby & Randy Andrews; B-Liberty Road Stables (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$6,500.

Consigned by  **GAINESWAY**

 **Bradley Thoroughbreds Purchase** 

Margins: HF, 2 3/4, 3. Odds: 7.50, 7.50, 0.30.

Also Ran: Fee, Love Tank.

After narrowly missing against the boys at first asking Nov. 21, Christian d'Oro returned to break her maiden against her own gender at second asking in a 6 3/4-length romp at Zia Dec. 5.

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An \$80,000 OBSMAR pick-up last year, the daughter of leading first-crop sire Bolt d'Oro was given just a 7-1 shot for her first try against winners in stakes company. On the lead with pressure to her outside from Fee (Into Mischief), Christian d'Oro stayed just off the rail around the far turn, fought off that challenge and opened up a furlong from home. Foolish Delight closed from third but ran out of time and had to settle for second as Christian d'Oro held on for the narrow win. Out of a half-sister to MGSP Qahira (**Cairo Prince**) and to the dam of GSW & MGISP Following Sea (**Runhappy**), Christian d'Oro has a yearling half-brother by **Take Charge Indy** while Mary Sue Weloveyou visited **Runhappy** for a 2023 foal. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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9th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, Alw, 1-29, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.39, ft, neck.

HOT FUDGE (f, 4, Liam's Map--Noelle's Mischief, by Into Mischief) was returning to allowance company and sprinting on the dirt in what was her first start after a near-miss second-place finish in Belmont Park's grassy Stalwart Member S. at a mile 14 months ago. The 3-1 second choice, who was a distant seventh in the 2021 G1 Frizette S., broke smoothly from her far outside post position, but took back and sat a couple of lengths off the pace set by Lady Milagro (**First Dude**), who showed the way with a clear lead all the way up the backstretch. As the early leader rounded the bend, Hot Fudge was asked for run and was challenging the frontrunner to the outside in tandem with a late-running Kitten's Appeal (Successful Appeal) to her outside. The eventual winner earned the lead in time to log a half-mile in :46.63 and the pacesetter soon retreated leaving the last two to engage in a prolonged stretch duel, Hot Fudge just edging out Kitten's Appeal in the last jumps to cap a three-win day for trainer Linda Rice. Noelle's Mischief has a 2-year-old colt Reynolds Channel (**West Coast**) and an unnamed yearling colt by **Daredevil**. She was bred to **Essential Quality** for a foal this year. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$235,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$123,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** O-KEM Stables; B-Edwin Anthony (KY); T-Linda Rice.

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7th-Santa Anita, \$73,000, (S), Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-29, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.31, ft, 1/2 length.

CEILING CRUSHER (f, 3, Mr. Big--Palisadesprincess, by Indian Charlie), a 4 3/4-length debut winner for owner Dan Northrup and trainer Luis Mendez at this track last June, was purchased privately in the last month and was the 2-5 favorite to win this first outing for the new connections. He was widest of all in a three-way battle for the lead down the backstretch through an opening quarter in :22.27 and stuck his head in front after a half in :45.55 only to have Fun Money (Mrizek) retake the lead. Ceiling Crusher clawed his way back and outfinished his stablemate by a half-length. Palisadesprincess, who was purchased by Harris Farms with Ceiling Crusher in utero for \$4,500 at the 2020 CTBA January Mixed Sale, has a yearling colt by Desert Code and was bred back to Smiling Tiger. Sales history: \$22,000 Ylg '21 NCAAUG; \$115,000 RNA 2yo '22 FTCAIR. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$83,400.

O-Wonderland Racing Stables, LLC, Todd Cady, Tim Kasparoff & Ty Leatherman; B-Harris Farms, Inc. (CA); T-Doug F. O'Neill.



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5th-Aqueduct, \$80,000, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:19.42, ft, 8 lengths.

ASSET PURCHASE (f, 3, Dialed In--Quick Hit Fever, by Dublin), just a \$75,000 yearling purchase for this leading owner/trainer combo, broke greenly but kept pace with the field, tracking from third just off pacesetter Now Showing (Mendelssohn) through a :22.65 opening quarter. Set down from the four path to engage the frontrunners, the 3-1 chance easily took command as the field swung off the far turn and gave the others no chance from there, hitting another gear and opening up under a hand ride before coming under wraps close to home en route to an eight-length win. Risk Free (American Freedom) closed from off the pace to round out the exacta. Out of a daughter of GSW & GISP Hello Lucky (Lucky Lionel), Asset Purchase has a yearling half-sister by Lord Nelson still to race behind her. Quick Hit Fever was not reported bred for 2023. Sales History: \$10,000 Ylg '21 FTKFEB; \$75,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$44,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Sheltowee Farm & Dialed In Syndicate (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

5th-Oaklawn, \$90,000, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.17, my, 4 3/4 lengths.

EFFORTLESSLYELGANT (f, 3, Liam's Map--County Clare, by Uncle Mo), third by 1 1/2 lengths after a troubled trip at first asking over this distance at Churchill Nov. 23, returned to the races Sunday as the popular 3-5 wagering choice. Sent from the blocks to duel up front with Dawny (West Coast), she outfooted that rival and assumed command into the far turn. Never in doubt from there, Effortlesslyelgant maintained a comfortable gap down the stretch and hit the wire 4 3/4 lengths to the good as Dawny held her position in second at 28-1. Out of a half-sister to MGSW Indyanne (Indian Charlie) and champion imported sprinter in Panama Distintodiferente (Banker's Gold), Effortlesslyelgant has a 2-year-old half-brother by Constitution who realized \$210,000 at Keeneland September and a yearling half-brother by Caravaggio. County Clare is due back to Liam's Map for a full-sibling in 2023. Sales History: \$475,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$60,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Alex & JoAnn Lieblong; B-Offshoot Farm LLC (KY); T-Norm W. Casse.



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7th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:47.70, ft, neck.

TITUBA (f, 3, Good Magic--Sabi Sands, by Lemon Drop Kid), fifth in a restricted maiden special at Churchill Nov. 24 in her only start to date, picked up Lasix for the first time Sunday. Sent to the lead from a middle gate, the narrow 2-1 second choice set a pressured tempo throughout, holding off a pair of challengers to her outside at the head of the lane in Medaglia Forever (Medaglia d'Oro) and Biloxi Blues (Tapit). Despite getting in tight down on the rail around the furlong marker, Tituba battled back to regain momentum and outfinish her rivals to the wire, just getting up by a neck over Medaglia Forever. Sabi Sands has a 2-year-old filly by Oscar Performance and has a yearling filly by Bolt d'Oro, but was not reported bred for 2023. Sales History: \$37,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$125,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$47,000 2yo '22 FTKHRA. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$44,760. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-LNJ Foxwoods (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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11th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.77, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

MRS. ASTOR (f, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Causal, by Creative Cause), fifth at this distance over the Keeneland lawn in her debut last October, was making her first start since finishing a late-closing third over a mile of this turf course Dec. 11. Adding Lasix for this third start, the 5-2 shot broke alertly from her outside post, but was taken in hand to settle off the pacesetters heading into the first turn. Midpack down the backstretch, the bay filly inched closer into the far turn and rolled up four wide into the stretch. She produced a powerful kick to take charge with a furlong to run and strode clear to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Sun Bee (English Channel) was second. Casual, a half-sister to Canadian champions Biofuel (Stormin Fever) and Tu Endie Wei (Johar), was purchased by St. Elias Stables for \$175,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton February sale. She produced a colt by Munnings that year and a filly by Battalion Runner in 2022. She was bred back to Battalion Runner last year. Her yearling filly sold for \$7,500 to Charles Ritter at last week's OBS Winter Mixed Sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$50,137.

O-Augustin Stable; B-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas.



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8th-Turfway, \$70,000, Msw, 1-28, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46.18, ft, 1 length.

QUADRA ISLAND (c, 3, Kitten's Joy--Sky Walk, by Unbridled's Song), sporting a pair of attempts over the Tapeta at a mile which resulted in a debut fifth Dec. 2 and an improving third Jan. 1, raced as the favorite this time and rated midpack with 7-2 shot Noises Off (Candy Ride {Arg}) struggling to hold the lead on the backside. Around the far turn with a wall of horses in front of him, the Brad Cox trainee cut to the inside down the stretch, found an opening at the rail and edged away to win by a length over Noises Off. The winner is a half to turf specialist Stunning Sky (Declaration of War), GSW, \$333,672. His dam is also responsible for an unraced 2-year-old filly named Matagora Bay (Bernardini) and a yearling by Omaha Beach. She was bred to War of Will last year. Sales History: \$95,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$49,700.

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3rd-Santa Anita, \$67,500, Msw, 1-29, 3yo, 6f, 1:09.52, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

GEAUX ROCKET RIDE (c, 3, Candy Ride {Arg})--Beyond Grace, by Uncle Mo), debuting with Lasix, was a live firster after clocking a nice work back on Dec. 30 (five furlongs, :59.60, 1/72) for the Mandella barn. Sent off at odds of 6-1, the \$350,000 FTKJUL buy led from the rail, but was chased down the backstretch by heavy favorite Sonoran (Ride On Curlin) to the tune of :22 flat. Rounding the far turn, the pacesetter began to steadily extend his lead, and past the eighth pole kept to the task to score by 5 3/4-lengths over the chalk. The winner is the first racehorse purchased by Dana and Jim Bernhard, who purchased historic Pin Oak Stud just outside of Versailles, Kentucky late last year, and have been active buying the sales ring over the last two years. Beyond Grace was bought by OXO Equine as a 2-year-old at the FTFMAR for \$1,500,000. Sales History: \$350,000 Ylg '21 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$40,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** O-Pin Oak Stud LLC; B-OXO Equine LLC (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella.

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STAKES RESULTS:

JAMISON MEMORIAL H., (NB) \$100,000, Sunland, 1-29, (S), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.99, ft.

1--**CHEESE TRAY**, 123, g, 5, Attila's Storm--Road to Reason, by Redattore (Brz). O/B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Luis A. Fuentes. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 22-7-6-6, \$343,866.

2--**Thunder Dome**, 124, g, 9, Dome--Lauren Lynn, by Hadif. O-Mike & Bill Carson; B-Frank Richardson & Mooring (NM); T-Dallas J. Barton. \$20,000.

3--**Storm Bayou**, 119, g, 7, Attila's Storm--Samba Queen, by Giant's Causeway. (\$45,000 Ylg '17 RUIAUG). O-Kent V. Kunz; B-R. D. R D Hubbard (NM); T-Simon J. Buechler. \$10,000. Margins: NO, HF, 3/4. Odds: 2.30, 4.50, 54.20.

WISHING WELL S., \$97,852, Turfway, 1-28, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.65, ft.

1--**OPENING BUZZ**, 120, f, 4, Stanford--Open Mic, by Unbridled's Song. (\$34,000 RNA Ylg '20 NCAAUG). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA); T-Jonathan Wong; J-Walter A. Rodriguez. \$46,624. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, \$152,585.

2--**Awesome Treat**, 120, m, 5, Awesome Patriot--Tiz a Treat, by Tiz Wonderful. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Rakesh S. and Kumud S. Sikand; B-Kumud S. Sikand (KY); T-Justin Wojczynski. \$24,040.

3--**Altered Shot**, 120, m, 5, **Alternation**--Wyn Jym, by Proud Citizen. (\$14,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$28,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Steve Vanovich, Larry Craig and Speshell Racing; B-Marianne Stribling (KY); T-Gregory D. Foley. \$12,020.

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MOSCOW BURNING S., \$75,900, Golden Gate Fields, 1-28, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:38.67, ft.

1--ROSE MADDOX, 123, f, 4, Grazen--Heat the Rocks (MSP, \$147,489), by Unusual Heat. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Steven Miyadi; J-Assael Espinoza. \$42,750. Lifetime Record: SP, 11-4-4-1, \$224,062.

» **Mare Purchased & Mating Planned by KATHY BERKEY** «

2--Chancery Way, 123, f, 4, Mr. Big--This Means War, by War Chant. (\$6,500 Ylg '20 NCAAUG). O-Andy and Rob Smolich; B-Harris Farms & John Nicoletti (CA); T-Jamey R. Thomas. \$14,250.

3--Shezarunaway, 123, m, 6, Sway Away--Livelaughlove, by Bluegrass Cat. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Michael Rovner, Glen and Betty L. Wallace; B-Michael Rovner & Glen Wallace (CA); T-Dan L. Markle. \$9,000.

Margins: 1, 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 3.20, 1.60, 48.80.

FT. BLISS S., \$75,000, Sunland, 1-29, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.30, ft.

1--COMPETITIVE IDEA, 120, g, 6, Competitive Edge--That's the Idea (MSW, \$291,275), by Diabolical. O-The Luxury Group Racing LLC & Mike Luciano; B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci; J-Luis A. Fuentes. \$46,500. Lifetime Record: 27-8-9-5, \$370,800.

2--Chattalot, 118, c, 4, Midnight Lute--Mamboalot, by Kingmambo. (\$4,500 RNA Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$110,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR). O-Bloom Racing Stable LLC (Jeffrey Bloom) & David A. Bernsen, LLC; B-Gryphon Investments, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$16,500.

» **LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE** «

3--Clavichord, 118, g, 7, Super Saver--Solo Piano, by Empire Maker. (\$15,000 3yo '19 KEENOV). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Dilly Dilly Racing; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-Simon J. Buechler. \$7,500.

Margins: 2 3/4, HF, NK. Odds: 2.90, 3.60, 14.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Oaklawn, \$106,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-29, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.25, my, 3 1/2 lengths.

KUPUNA (c, 4, Hard Spun--Hanalei Hailey, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-2, \$214,300. O-Wayne Sanders & Highlander Training Center; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC & Greg Biagi (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun. *\$140,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

» **OPTIMAL MATING PURCHASE BY SHEPHERD EQUINE ADVISERS** «

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9th-Oaklawn, \$105,000, 1-29, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.81, my, 3/4 length.

SUE ELLEN MISHKIN (f, 4, Mohaymen--Robin of Halfmoon, by Uncle Mo) Lifetime Record: 10-5-0-2, \$202,968. O-Ten Strike Racing; B-Gold Square, LLC (NY); T-Matt A. Shirer.



ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

8th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, 1-29, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:54.47, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

TONAL IMPACT (g, 5, Tonalist--Kitty Kat, by Kitten's Joy) Lifetime Record: 19-6-2-2, \$267,116. O-A. Bianco Holding Limited; B-RGP Ocala Holdings, LLC (KY); T-Linda Rice. *\$37,000 RNA Ylg '19 OBSWIN; \$19,000 RNA Ylg '19 OBSOCT; \$40,000 RNA 2yo '20 OBSAPR.

» **SIX K'S TRAINING & SALES GRADUATE** «

9th-Santa Anita, \$75,000, 1-28, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.72, fm, 1 length.

KITTY KITANA (GB) (f, 4, Bobby's Kitten--Mistaken Love, by Bernardini) Lifetime Record: 9-2-5-2, \$176,523. O-Little Red Feather Racing and Sterling Stables, LLC; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (GB); T-Philip D'Amato. *15,000gns Ylg '20 TATASY; £40,000 2yo '21 TATGOR.

10th-Gulfstream, \$73,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 1-29, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35.71, fm, 3 lengths.

FAST AS FLIGHT (m, 5, Air Force Blue--Tiznow Peace, by Tiznow) Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-2, \$216,948. O-Jim & Susan Hill; B-Pursuit of Success LLC (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch. *\$47,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

4th-Laurel, \$71,350, 1-29, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.58, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

SIR ALFRED JAMES (g, 7, Munnings--Super Phoebe, by Malabar Gold) Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 34-10-4-4, \$837,839. O-Built Wright Stables, LLC.; B-Mt. Joy Stables, Pope McLean Sr., Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr. (KY); T-Norman L. Cash. *\$17,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$27,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Got Stormy (Get Stormy), MGISW-USA, GSW & GISP-Can, \$2,468,403; Sky Gold (Successful Appeal), SP, \$151,020.

7th-Laurel, \$60,480, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$62,500), 1-29, 3yo, 1m, 1:39.49, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

FEELING WOOZY (g, 3, Irish War Cry--Stormy Love Affair, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$104,710. O/T-Hamilton A. Smith; B-Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds, LLC (MD). *\$16,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT.

5th-Fair Grounds, \$53,000, (S), 1-29, (NW4L), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.33, sy, neck.

FIRST I'VE SEEN (f, 4, Astrology--Correct Call {MSW}, by Consolidator) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-4, \$129,690. O-Tom Curtis; B-Tom Curtis & Wayne Simpson (LA); T-Victor Arceneaux. *\$9,500 RNA Ylg '20 ESLYRL.

5th-Sunland, \$51,800, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 1-29, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.22, ft, 3/4 length.

BYE BYE BRANDI (f, 4, Marking--Ringback, by Gone Hollywood) Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$94,280. O-B4 Farms, LLC; B-Fred Alexander (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. *1/2 to Hollywood Henry (Roll Hennessy Roll), MSP, \$419,365.

7th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000, 1-29, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.08, sy, 7 1/2 lengths.

BARTULIA (g, 4, Creative Cause--Darling Sky {MSP, \$241,518}, by Sky Mesa) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$74,000. O-Novogratz Racing Stables Inc.; B-Namcook Stables, Paul Braverman & Tim Pinch (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. *\$15,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN; \$100,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT.

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6th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000, (S), 1-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:48.18, sy, 4 1/4 lengths.

SERIOUSLY SAM (f, 4, Astrology--Cactus Cadillac {SW, \$141,897}, by Cactus Ridge) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-3, \$78,260. O-Passin A Good Time Stable; B-Tom Curtis & Wayne Simpson (LA); T-Sam B. David, Jr. *\$13,500 Ylg '20 ESLYRL. **1/2 to Thegreatcollection (Saint Anddan), SW & MGSP-UAE, SP-USA, \$727,995; Sabra Tuff (Cross Traffic), GSP, \$210,770.

8th-Delta Downs, \$36,000, (NW3L)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 1-28, 4yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:35.22, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

ANOTHER HOT MESS (f, 4, Hard Spun--Shrilanka {SP}, by Pleasantly Perfect) Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$79,350. O-Cantrell Family Partnership; B-Godolphin & Clifton Farm (KY); T-Brett A. Brinkman. *\$125,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN.

8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$26,850, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 1-29, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22.91, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

MORGAN POINT (g, 4, Jess's Dream--Sherrie Belle {SP}, by Outflanker) Lifetime Record: 15-4-2-2, \$117,814. O/B-Robert C. Roffey (FL); T-John G Vinson.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lady of the Light, f, 3, **Carpe Diem**--Waving, by Street Cry (Ire). Golden Gate Fields, 1-28, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.91. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$18,600. B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY). *\$5,500 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

Lassie My Girl, f, 3, **Double Irish**--Robin My Girl (SP, \$187,268), by Mutakddim. Oaklawn, 1-28, (S), 6f, 1:12.36. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$72,000. B-Anderson Farms (AR).

Zanarazzi, f, 3, **Khozan**--Glitterazzi, by **Hard Spun**. Sunland, 1-29, 5 1/2f, 1:04.14. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$27,955. B-Sammy L. Stevens (FL).

Chloe's Crown, f, 4, **Declaration of War**--Kitten's Catch, by Kitten's Joy. Santa Anita, 1-29, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.36. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$44,720. B-Cannon Thoroughbred LLC (KY).

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El Potente, c, 4, **Temple City**--Charmsil (MSP, \$260,455), by Silver Charm. Santa Anita, 1-29, (C), 6 1/2fT, 1:15.46. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$32,300. B-Charmsil LLC (FL). *\$35,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

Taraashoq, h, 5, **Curlin**--Lear's Princess (GISW, \$491,870), by

Lear Fan. Charles Town, 1-28, 1 1/16m, 1:51.82. Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-0, \$37,447. B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY).

In the Limelight, g, 5, **Limehouse**--Claque, by Exchange Rate. Charles Town, 1-28, (S), 4 1/2f, :54.00. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-1, \$25,976. B-Julie Calvert & Cristina Mosby (WV).

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Air Force Blue, Fast as Flight, m, 5, o/o Tiznow Peace, by Tiznow. AOC, 1-29, Gulfstream

Army Mule, One in Vermillion, c, 3, o/o Given Star, by Any Given Saturday. Riley Allison Derby, 1-29, Sunland

Astrology, First I've Seen, f, 4, o/o Correct Call, by Consolidator. ALW, 1-29, Fair Grounds

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Astrology, Seriously Sam, f, 4, o/o Cactus Cadillac, by Cactus Ridge. ALW, 1-29, Fair Grounds

Attila's Storm, Cheese Tray, g, 5, o/o Road to Reason, by Redattore (Brz). Jamison Memorial H., 1-29, Sunland

Bobby's Kitten, Kitty Kitana (GB), f, 4, o/o Mistaken Love, by Bernardini. ALW, 1-28, Santa Anita

Bolt d'Oro, Christian d'Oro, f, 3, o/o Mary Sue Weloveyou, by

The Factor. Borderplex S., 1-29, Sunland

Candy Ride (Arg), Geaux Rocket Ride, c, 3, o/o Beyond Grace, by

Uncle Mo. MSW, 1-29, Santa Anita

Carpe Diem, Lady of the Light, f, 3, o/o Waving, by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 1-28, Golden Gate

Competitive Edge, Competitive Idea, g, 6, o/o That's the Idea, by Diabolical. Ft. Bliss S., 1-29, Sunland

Creative Cause, Bartulia, g, 4, o/o Darling Sky, by **Sky Mesa**.

ALW, 1-29, Fair Grounds

Curlin, Taraashoq, h, 5, o/o **Lear's Princess**, by **Lear Fan**. MSW, 1-28, Charles Town

Declaration of War, Chloe's Crown, f, 4, o/o Kitten's Catch, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 1-29, Santa Anita

Dialed In, Asset Purchase, f, 3, o/o Quick Hit Fever, by Dublin. MSW, 1-29, Aqueduct

Good Magic, Tituba, f, 3, o/o Sabi Sands, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 1-29, Gulfstream

Good Samaritan, R Tootsie Glitter, f, 3, o/o Gold Club, by Majestic Warrior. MCL, 1-29, Tampa Bay

Grazen, Rose Maddox, f, 4, o/o Heat the Rocks, by Unusual Heat. Moscow Burning S., 1-28, Golden Gate

Gun Runner, Bandita, f, 3, o/o Tricky One, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 1-29, Gulfstream

Hard Spun, Another Hot Mess, f, 4, o/o Shrilanka, by Pleasantly Perfect. AOC, 1-28, Delta Downs

Hard Spun, Kupuna, c, 4, o/o Hanalei Hailey, by Malibu Moon. AOC, 1-29, Oaklawn

Into Mischief, Lane Way, g, 6, o/o Corderosa, by Aldebaran. Clocker's Corner S., 1-29, Santa Anita

Irish War Cry, Feeling Woozy, g, 3, o/o Stormy Love Affair, by Stormy Atlantic. AOC, 1-29, Laurel

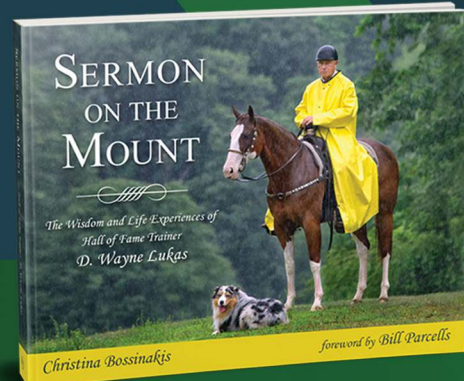
Jess's Dream, Morgan Point, g, 4, o/o Sherrie Belle, by Outflanker. AOC, 1-29, Tampa Bay

Khozan, Zanarazzi, f, 3, o/o Glitterazzi, by **Hard Spun**. MSW, 1-29, Sunland

Kitten's Joy, Quadra Island, c, 3, o/o Sky Walk, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 1-28, Turfway

Liam's Map, Effortlesslyelgant, f, 3, o/o County Clare, by **Uncle Mo**. MSW, 1-29, Oaklawn

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Limehouse, In the Limelight, g, 5, o/o Claque, by Exchange Rate. MSW, 1-28, Charles Town

Lookin At Lucky, Mrs. Astor, f, 3, o/o Causal, by **Creative Cause**. MSW, 1-29, Gulfstream

Marking, Bye Bye Brandi, f, 4, o/o Ringback, by Gone Hollywood. AOC, 1-29, Sunland

Mohaymen, Sue Ellen Mishkin, f, 4, o/o Robin of Halfmoon, by **Uncle Mo**. ALW, 1-29, Oaklawn

Mr. Big, Ceiling Crusher, f, 3, o/o Palisadesprincess, by Indian Charlie. AOC, 1-29, Santa Anita

Munnings, Sir Alfred James, g, 7, o/o Super Phoebe, by Malabar Gold. ALW, 1-29, Laurel

Stanford, Opening Buzz, f, 4, o/o Open Mic, by Unbridled's Song. Wishing Well S., 1-28, Turfway

Temple City, El Potente, c, 4, o/o Charmsil, by Silver Charm. MCL, 1-29, Santa Anita

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ITBA Award Winners | Caroline Norris

by Emma Berry

KILLENARD, Ireland--The trick to living a mostly happy life is to spend as much time as possible doing what you love. Simple, right?

That's not to say that people in the bloodstock industry don't work incredibly hard. There is no real let-up in the work either, with almost wall-to-wall sales these days, foals on the way, mares to be covered, mud to be scraped off almost everything and, some mornings, ice to be broken on water troughs and buckets.

But it's a wonderful life nonetheless, and every now and then moments can be found for a collective letting down of hair and slapping on of glad rags to celebrate those whose contributions have been particularly noteworthy over the previous year.

The best of these events in Europe by a country mile is the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders' Association's National Breeding and Racing Awards. For a truly immersive experience, and in an effort to make it look like I wasn't turning up merely for the Champagne and dancing, the weekend escape from Newmarket to Ireland was augmented by trips to visit two significant breeding operations in the country's heartland.

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OVERSEAS OPTIONS FOR G60 FOLLOWING THRILLING STEWARDS' CUP by Alan Carasso

It was billed as a clash of the titans, with Hong Kong's three highest-rated gallopers squaring off for the first time in the G1 Stewards' Cup Sunday at Sha Tin. It certainly did not disappoint.

Those who may have thought **Golden Sixty (Aus)** (**Medaglia d'Oro**)'s defeat at the hooves of **California Spangle (Ire)** (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**) in last month's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile signaled the beginning of the end or a changing of the guard were reminded in no uncertain terms that the 7-year-old retains all of his zest for racing when he ran out a one-length winner. **Romantic Warrior (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), whose rise to the top of the local rankings has been nothing short of meteoric and included a barnstorming win in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup on HKIR day, couldn't quite sprint with Golden Sixty, but did manage to stay on for second over an alibi-free California Spangle. [Cont. p7](#)

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The jockey made the trip up from Melbourne to Hong Kong and found the winner's enclosure twice—including in the Hong Kong Classic Mile.

LEMON POP 'SALTY' IN JAPANESE GROUP SCORE

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The runner carried Godolphin blue to victory in the G3 Negishi S. in Tokyo for his first career black-type success.

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ITBA Awards cont. from p1

One of those has already featured significantly at the ITBA Awards over many years and another will undoubtedly do so in the future, and you can read more about Tally-Ho Stud and Al Shira'aa Farms in the *TDN* in the coming week.

I will admit to some trepidation ahead of my visit to the O'Callaghan family at Tally-Ho. Their incredible success is matched by their collective disinclination to be interviewed, so when you turn up at someone's house at lunchtime knowing that your arrival brings about as much joy to your hosts as a trip to the dentist for root canal treatment then it is nigh on impossible not to spend most of the time apologising for your presence. As it transpired, the warm welcome from Disney the black Labrador was extended heartily by Tony, Anne, Roger and Henry. Tally-Ho's seven stallions paraded without fuss, their laidback demeanours undoubtedly contributing to the success of the offspring of those far along enough in their careers.

"Temperament is everything," declared Tony O'Callaghan over lunch, and it is hard to disagree with a man whose farm churns out smart winners with metronomic regularity.

This time last year, the achievements of Tony and Anne O'Callaghan were deservedly recognised by their induction into the ITBA Hall of Fame. A Tally-Ho connection continued through Saturday's awards when the hugely popular Tom Lacy was recognised as Small Breeder of the Year for Persian Force (Ire). Not only is the G2 July S. winner and dual Group 1 runner-up a son of Mehmas (Ire) but he has joined his father on the roster at the O'Callaghans' farm this year. They know him well, having pinhooked him as a foal from the Lacy family.

Tom Lacy was presented with his award by John O'Connor of Ballylinch Stud, to whom Lacy had sold his homebred Ingabelle (GB) (Taufan), who went on to become an important foundation mare at Ballylinch. Lacy's achievements extend well beyond his success as a breeder, however. In a marvellous video compilation encapsulating the 87-year-old's career in racing we saw grainy black-and-white footage of his days in the saddle. Not many people can boast of riding against the great Arkle (Ire) and Flyingbolt (GB), not that boastfulness is a term one would use to describe the hard-working Lacy.

After his race-riding days, he went on to carve a successful career as a trainer, launching the career of no less a talent than the much-missed Pat Smullen, who rode for him in his early days, as did Lacy's sons Barry and Tony, both of whom present on Saturday to support their father.

Tony and his wife Cathy had made the trip from Kentucky, as had the recipients of arguably the most popular award of the evening, the Wild Geese Award, which recognises the contribution of Irishmen and women in the racing and breeding industry around the world. It is safe to say that the ITBA will not run out of potential recipients, for the Irish influence runs deep,

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particularly in Kentucky, where David and Ann Hanley have been based since leaving Ireland.

Like Tom Lacy, David Hanley was previously a successful trainer before his move, with the Grade I winner Golden Apples (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) among his many achievements as both trainer and breeder (with James Egan of Corduff Stud). Now general manager of WinStar Farm, he was described in the video marking the award by Mike Ryan as, "The best judge of a horse that I have ever been around."

Ann Hanley is as beloved as her husband and, since being diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease 16 years ago, has raised more than \$4 million in vital research funding for the debilitating condition as well as being a tower of support to her many friends and colleagues in the breeding industry. The Hanleys' award was jointly deserved and universally approved by those in attendance, and surely by many more tuning in via the livestream.

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This year's inductee into the ITBA Hall of Fame was William Flood, master of Boardsmill Stud and a great servant to Irish National Hunt breeding.

Flood's award was warmly greeted by a standing ovation from the 300-plus guests at The Heritage hotel on a night when emotions ran high. Earlier in the proceedings, the award for the Novice Hurdler of the Year, Sir Gerhard (Ire) (Jeremy), had been collected by Joe and Sharon Fitzpatrick. Their son Jonathan, who bred the eight-year-old at the family's Keatingstown House Stud, died in a car crash in 2017 at the age of just 23, several years before Sir Gerhard became so successful in the colours of Cheveley Park Stud. Beaten only twice in his ten races to date, the gelding is a glorious, galloping reminder of the nascent talent of the young Fitzpatrick, a graduate of the Irish National Stud course who had also worked at Coolmore and Ballylinch.

Two important anniversaries took place in 2022. The Aga Khan Studs celebrated its centenary while the Haefner family's Moyglare Stud marked its 60th year in the breeding industry. Both these milestones went hand-in-hand with continued excellence on the track for graduates of the respective operations.

Princess Zahra Aga Khan and her mother Princess Salima were both in attendance to collect the Two-Year-Old Filly of the Year Award for the exciting Classic prospect Tahiyra (Ire) (**Siyouni {Fr}**).

"It was an amazing year, and I spent most of the year thinking about my grandfather and great grandfather," said Princess Zahra, reflecting on the 2022 season which also saw Vadeni (Fr) (**Churchill {Ire}**) win the G1 Prix du Jockey Club and G1 Eclipse S. "I think it was incredible that it happened last year. We are going into year 101 with such a lovely range of hopes."

Eva-Maria Bucher-Haefner, who took over the running of Moyglare Stud from her late father Walter, was the recipient of two awards on the evening, for the Three-Year-old Filly of the Year, the Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Homeless Songs (Ire) (**Frankel {GB}**), and the Stayer of the Year, Kyprios (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), whom she races in partnership with Coolmore. It has been noted before but it bears repeating that Kyprios's celebrated dam, Polished Gem (Ire) (Daneshill), bore ten foals for ten winners, eight of whom won black-type races, including the Group 1 winners Free Eagle (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Kyprios, and his full-sister Search For A Song (Ire).

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Ben Sangster was back at The Heritage to claim an award for the second year running as the breeder of Luxembourg (Ire) (**Camelot** {Ire}), who was named Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year, while Timmy Hyde of Camas Park Stud, flanked by his wife Trish and daughters Wendy and Valerie, collected the trophy for Two-Year-Old Colt of the Year, Little Big Bear (Ire) (**No Nay Never**). The Aidan O'Brien trainee was bred by Hyde along with his son, Tim, of Summerhill.

From budding talent to esteemed veterans of the sport, the ITBA Awards reward the passion, dedication and determination of the participants of what remains a vital industry in Ireland. The huge importance of Thoroughbred breeding to the Irish economy and the country's reputation of a global forerunner in horseracing was reflected by the fact that three Irish government ministers attended the ceremony, with Charlie McConalogue, Minister for Agriculture, on hand to present William Flood with his Hall of Fame Award alongside ITBA chair Cathy Grassick.

That connection to the country's seat of power is undoubtedly one of the reasons that the Irish racing and breeding industry continues to thrive and remains a shining example to other nations attempting to emulate its success.

The ITBA National Breeding and Racing Awards 2022

- **Next Generation Award:** Micheal Conaghan
- **Young National Hunt Horse:** Facile Vega
Bred by Hammer & Trowel Syndicate
- **Novice Hurdler of the Year:** Sir Gerhard
Bred by Keatingstown Bloodstock
- **Novice Chaser of the Year:** Bob Olinger
Bred by Kenneth Parkhill
- **Hurdler of the Year:** Flooring Porter
Bred by Sean Murphy
- **Chaser of the Year:** Shishkin
Bred by CJ & EB Barnett
- **Small Breeder of the Year:** Tom Lacy
- **Two-Year-Old Filly of the Year:** Tahiyra
Bred by HH The Aga Khan's Studs
- **Two-Year-Old Colt of the Year:** Little Big Bear
Bred by Camas Park Stud & Summerhill
- **Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year:** Homeless Songs
Bred by Moyglare Stud Farm
- **Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year:** Luxembourg
Bred by B V Sangster

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- **Stayer of the Year:** Kyprios
Bred by Moyglare Stud Farm
- **Wild Geese Award:** David and Ann Hanley
- **Hall of Fame:** William Flood

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IN HONG KONG:

Unpresuming (Ire), g, 4, **Bated Breath (GB)**--Shy Audience (Ire), by Sir Prancealot (Ire). Sha Tin, 1-29, Hcp. (C4), 1400mT, 1:22.37. B-Redpender Stud Ltd. *280,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT.

VIDEO

Toronado Phantom (Fr), g, 5, **Toronado (Ire)**--Hathfa (Fr), by Dark Angel (Ire). Sha Tin, 1-29, Hcp. (C2), 1200mT, 1:09.56. B-Nasser Abdulla Al Mesned. *€36,000 Ylg '19 ARQAUG.

VIDEO

IN AUSTRALIA:

Critical (Fr), m, 5, **No Nay Never**--Maid To Believe (GB), by Galileo (Ire). Geelong, 1-29, Maiden, 1212mT, 1:13.45. B-Rashit Shaykhutidinov-Viraz. *1ST-TIME STARTER. **1/2 to Maid to Remember (GB) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), GSP-US & Eng; and Machete (Fr) (Myboycharlie {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr. ***270,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; 28,000gns HRA '21 TATDEC.

IN BARBADOS:

So Suave (Ire), g, 6, **Make Believe (GB)**--Stylish One (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Garrison Savannah, 1-28, Coolmore 'Home of Champions' S. and Trophy (NBT), 1800mT, 1:51. B-Belmont BS, Glenville BS, C McAvoy & MB Syndicate. *15,000gns RNA Wlg '17 TATDEF; £20,000 RNA Ylg '18 GOFAUG; £13,000 RNA 2yo '19 TATAPR. **VIDEO**



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WORLDWIDE NEWS

Stewards' Cup cont. from p1

As opposed to last year's race, when Vincent Ho--by his own admission--settled Golden Sixty too far off the pace and watched a 16-race winning skein come to an inglorious halt when second to **Waikuku (Ire)** (Harbour Watch {Ire}), the bay was asked to sit handier this time around, as California Spangle lobbed them along through an opening 800 metres in :49.12, well over a second outside standard time. Romantic Warrior and Karis Teetan were content to monitor proceedings from second and the three market leaders began to get away from their four rivals nearing the straight. Though Purton noticeably upped the tempo, Golden Sixty had him covered, and when daylight appeared one off the fence a furlong out, he made use of his quick turn of foot and went on to a victory that was fairly soft in the finish. Romantic Warrior hit a bit of a flat spot inside the final 200 metres, but managed to pick himself up late.



Hong Kong's big three fight it out in the Stewards' Cup | HKJC

While COVID-19 was primarily responsible for dashing any plans to travel Golden Sixty the last couple of seasons, connections reported that they had paid up for the G1 Dubai Turf Mar. 25 with the G1 Yasuda Kinen in Tokyo in early June also a possibility. The Feb. 26 G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup and a rematch with Romantic Warrior over the latter's best trip of 2000 metres is also under consideration.

"We have to see how he pulls up and we'll discuss with the team," Ho said. "We have entered the Dubai 1800 on turf as well, so that's another thought. I think it's a good race for him and it can be a 'prep' race for him if we go to Japan because it's left-handed and he can get used to the heat and all that."

Ho suggested that the sometimes-feisty Golden Sixty has learned to harness his energy.

"He was very comfortable [in the run] and this year he has not pulled, so when he jumped very well, he still dropped the bit and made it even easier for me to handle him and decide what position I wanted to get," he said. "If I wanted him to be faster, he will be and if I drop my reins, he will relax. So, when Zac picked the pace up at the half mile, [Golden Sixty] still followed through very nicely without any effort."

Gaudeamus is also the dam of the unraced 3-year-old filly Golden Sister (Aus) (Capitalist {Aus}), an A\$425,000 graduate of the 2021 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale who has since been exported to America, and a yearling filly by **Medaglia d'Oro's** G1 Golden Slipper-winning son Vancouver (Aus). She was most recently covered by So You Think (NZ).

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

STEWARDS' CUP-G1, HK\$12,000,000, Sha Tin, 1-29, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:33.99, gd.

1--**GOLDEN SIXTY (AUS)**, 126, g, 7, by **Medaglia d'Oro**

1st Dam: Gaudeamus (GSW-Ire, \$179,846),

by Distorted Humor

2nd Dam: Leo's Lucky Lady, by Seattle Slew

3rd Dam: Konafa, by Damascus

(A\$120,000 Ylg '17 MMGCYS; NZ\$300,000 2yo '17 NZBRTR).

O-Stanley Chan Ka Leung; B-Asco International Pty Ltd (Qld);

T-Francis Lui Kin-wai; J-Vincent Ho Chak-yiu; HK\$6,840,000.

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2--**Romantic Warrior (Ire)**, 126, g, 5, Acclamation (GB)--Folk

Melody (Ire), by Street Cry (Ire). (300,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT;

HK\$4,800,000 HRA '21 HKJUN). O-Peter Lau Pak Fai; B-Corduff

Stud & T J Rooney; T-Danny Shum Chap-shing; J-Karis Teetan;

HK\$2,640,000.

3--**California Spangle (Ire)**, 126, g, 5, **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**--

Pearlitas Passion (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). (€150,000 Ylg

'19 GOFORB). O-Howard Liang Yu Shing; B-M Enright; T-Tony

Cruz; Zac Purton; HK\$1,200,000.

Margins: 1, NK, 3HF. Odds: 3-2, 1-1, 29-10.

Also Ran: Waikuku (Ire), Beauty Joy (Aus), Russian Emperor (Ire),

Panfield (Chi). Click for the **HKJC.com chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO**.



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Voyage Bubble Specta-'Kah'-lar in Classic Mile...



Jamie Kah made the most of her trip up from Melbourne Sunday, riding two winners on the 10-race program | HKJC

When jockey Derek Leung opted for **Sword Point (Aus)** (**American Pharoah**) in Sunday's Hong Kong Classic Mile, trainer Ricky Yiu reached out to Mickael Barzalona to partner with **Voyage Bubble (Aus)** (Deep Field {Aus}), only to lose his services when the Frenchman was handed a suspension in Dubai. The conditioner then rang up Australia's Jamie Kah, whose first rides in Hong Kong came during last month's Longines International Jockeys' Championship, and who jetted in after five mounts Saturday at Moonee Valley in Melbourne. Let go at odds of 11-1, Voyage Bubble was given a perfectly rated ride from the front by the 26-year-old to score the upset.

Favored **Packing Treadmill (Aus)** (Manhattan Rain {Aus}) and **Keefy (Aus)** (All Too Hard {Aus}) were the two quickest away, but Kah took advantage of her low draw and, after a bit of a tardy dispatch, sent Voyage Bubble through to lead linking up with the course proper and slowed the pace right down. Passing the half-way point in a modest :48.51, Voyage Bubble was allowed an especially easy time of things from the 800m to the 400m--covering that section in :23.29--and the duo therefore had something left for the finish, sprinting the final two furlongs in :22.78 for a straight-forward success. **Tuchel (NZ)** (Redwood {GB}) came on for second having sat a perfect inside trip, while Packing Treadmill kept on for third.

"I'm pretty speechless, it's been a very special day," said Kah, riding her second winner of the day and third overall in Hong Kong after posting a victory on IJC night. "I've had such a great experience here with some beautiful horses I have ridden. I was speechless after and I got goosebumps--it's hard to make me speechless, it was a very exciting day."

She added, "He was mapped to get a really nice, sweet run in the race and I was confident. I was just worried about him late

as he has the tendency to lay in and I just thought something's going to swoop him late but he just built and built, he got stronger and stronger and probably at the 200 [-metre mark] I thought we were never in doubt--it was a really impressive win going forward."

With the victory, Voyage Bubble becomes the 24th black-type winner for Deep Field and his second in Hong Kong, joining 2021 G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint hero Sky Field (Aus). Overall, Deep Field is the sire of 28 winners from 48 starters in Hong Kong. Voyage Bubble is out of a half-sister to Bannock (Ire) (Bertolini), winner of the Listed Rockingham S. and placed in the G2 Richmond S. and G2 July S. for Sheikh Hamdan Bin Mohammed al Maktoum and Mark Johnston as well as Australian listed winner Moulin Lady (Aus) (Reset {Aus}). This is also the extended female family of Canadian Horse of the Year Never Retreat (Smart Strike) and Sweetest Chant.

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

HONG KONG CLASSIC MILE-LR, HK\$12,000,000, Sha Tin, 1-29, NH/SH4yo, 1600mT, 1:34.58, gd.

1--VOYAGE BUBBLE (AUS), 126, g, 4, by Deep Field (Aus)

1st Dam: Raheights (Aus), by Rahy

2nd Dam: Laoub, by Red Ransom

3rd Dam: Lisieux, by Steady Growth

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (A\$380,000 Ylg '20 INGFEb). O-Sunshine and Moonlight Syndicate; B-Torryburn Stud (NSW); T-Ricky Yiu Poon-fai; J-Jamie Kah; HK\$6,840,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-3-1, HK\$10,617,725. *1/2 to Brettan (Aus) (Commands {Aus}), SP-Aus; and Diddums (Aus) (Snitzel {Aus}), GSW-Aus, \$164,688.

2--**Tuchel (NZ)**, 126, g, 4, Redwood (GB)--Trista Rossa (Aus), by Testa Rossa (Aus). (NZ\$130,000 Ylg '20 NZBJAN). O-Philip Chan Kwok Chung; B-G Harvey; T-John Size; J-Luke Currie; HK\$2,640,000.

3--**Packing Treadmill (Aus)**, 126, g, 4, Manhattan Rain (Aus)--I'm An Outowner (Aus), by Dane Shadow (Aus). (A\$30,000 Wlg '19 IGLJUN). O-Exciting Racing Syndicate; B-A Beard (Vic); T-Francis Lui Kin-wai; J-Zac Purton; HK\$1,200,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1HF, 1. Odds: 10-1, 21-1, 3-1.

Also Ran: Cordiceps Six (Aus), Galaxy Witness (Aus), Sword Point (Aus), Keefy (Aus), (DH) Beautyverse (NZ), (DH) Sweet Encounter (NZ), La City Blanche (Arg), Bon's A Pearla (Aus), Viva Chaleur (Fr), Flagship Warrior (Aus), Ivy League (Ire). **Click for the HKJC.com chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.**

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Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

NEGISHI S.-G3, ¥76,810,000, Tokyo, 1-29, 4yo/up, 1400m, 1:22.50, gd.

1--**LEMON POP**, 126, h, 5, by Lemon Drop Kid

1st Dam: Unreachable, by Giant's Causeway

2nd Dam: Harpia, by Danzig

3rd Dam: Razyana, by His Majesty

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. (\$70,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV). O-Godolphin; B-Mr & Mrs Oliver S Tait (KY); T-Hiroyasu Tanaka; J-Keita Tosaki; ¥40,567,000. Lifetime Record: 10-7-3-0, \$1,313,929. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#) [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Sold by Blandford Stud for Mr. and Mrs. Tait

 **Dam purchased by SCHUMER BLOODSTOCK**

2--**Gilded Mirror (Jpn)**, 121, m, 6, Orfevre (Jpn)--Titan Queen, by Tiznow. O-Silk Racing; B-Northern Farm; ¥16,164,000.

3--**Battle Cry (Jpn)**, 123, c, 4, Isla Bonita (Jpn)--Dear Comet (Jpn), by King Kamehameha (Jpn). O-G Riviere Racing; B-Dearest Club; ¥10,082,000.

Margins: HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 0.60, 4.10, 11.80.

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From the first time he first set foot on the racetrack in late 2020, Lemon Pop has always hinted at top ability, and the beautifully bred 5-year-old scooped the first major prize of his career with a hard-fought victory in Sunday's G3 Negishi S., a stepping-stone to the G1 February S. in three weeks' time.

Away awkwardly from the 13 hole, the \$70,000 Keeneland November weanling purchase on behalf of Godolphin improved to race in the second flight of horses about three away from the inside for the opening half-mile. Pulled out into the four path leaving the 600-metre pole, the chestnut was roused to the front with a little more than a furlong to race and finished willingly to hold off the fast-finishing Gilded Mirror, reversing the form of their last meeting in this track's G3 Musashino S. over a mile Nov. 12. Lemon Pop was running his record over the Tokyo 1400 metres to five-from-five.



Lemon Pop | Courtesy JBIS

Unreachable, a daughter of the legendary Danehill (Danzig)'s Grade III-winning full-sister Harpia and also a half to New York-based stallion Redesdale (**Speightstown**), was unplaced in a pair of 3-year-old starts for Juddmonte and Dermot Weld and was purchased by Blandford Bloodstock, on behalf of former Darley Chief Operating Officer Olly Tait and his wife Amber, for 165,000gns (\$278,915) at the 2012 Tattersalls December Mare sale.

Unreachable was led out unsold on a bid of \$55,000 at the 2020 Keeneland January Sale, and the foal she was carrying at the time, a **Good Magic** colt, was purchased by China Horse Club/Gandharvi for \$325,000 at Fasig-Tipton Saratoga in 2021 before CHC bought out their partner for \$240,000 during the HORA section of last year's KEENOV sale. The mare is also responsible for a 2-year-old colt by **Good Magic**, a yearling **Maclean's Music** colt and is due to that Hill 'n' Dale sire for 2023. Lemon Pop's third dam also includes Danehill's accomplished full-brothers Eagle Eyed and Shibboleth. Lemon Pop is the 107th stakes winner and 49th graded/group winner for the now 27-year-old Lemon Drop Kid.

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Sunday, Chukyo, Japan

SILK ROAD S.-G3, ¥78,090,000, Chukyo, 1-29, 4yo/up, 1200mT, 1:07.30, fm.

1--NAMURA CLAIR (JPN), 125, f, 4, by Mikki Isle (Jpn)

1st Dam: Sun Queen, by Storm Cat

2nd Dam: Fountain of Peace, by Kris S.

3rd Dam: Coup de Genie, by Mr. Prospector

O-Mutsuhiro Namura; B-Tanikawa Farm; T-Kodai Hasegawa; J-Suguru Hamanaka; ¥41,553,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Jpn, 11-4-2-3. **Werk Nick Rating: A+**. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--First Force (Jpn), 127, h, 7, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)--Rush Life (Jpn), by Sakura Bakushin-Oh (Jpn). O-Koji Yasuhara; B-Mishima Bokujo; ¥16,158,000.

3--Mad Cool (Ire), 123, c, 4, Dark Angel (Ire)--Mad About You (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire). (€225,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV). **1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE**. O-Sunday Racing; B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd; ¥10,079,000.

Margins: HD, NK, 2HF. Odds: 3.80, 34.70, 1.50.

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625K SAVABEEL COLT SHINES AT KARAKA



Top Lot Savabeel Colt at Karaka | *New Zealand Bloodstock*

by Richard Edmunds

At A Glance:

- The opening day average had marginally increased to NZ\$160,143, compared to NZ\$159,067 on Day 1 of last year's sale, while in 2021 the Day 1 average closed at NZ\$130,134 and in 2020 it sat at NZ\$145,381 at the same point of the sale.
- The healthiest growth came in the median which was recorded at NZ\$147,500, a huge increase on the Day 1 figure of NZ\$125,000 12 months ago. The Day 1 median fell to NZ\$100,000 in 2021, having finished at NZ\$110,000 in the opening session in 2020.
- Aggregate at the close of trade on Sunday finished at NZ\$22,420,000 over NZ\$2 million more than the NZ\$20,042,500 recorded at the same point in 2022. While after the opening session in 2021 the aggregate sat at NZ\$17,047,500 and in 2020 it was NZ\$21,952,500.
- The clearance rate was at 73 per cent by the end of the day, up on 69 per cent from Day 1 in 2022.
- The top lot of the day, a colt by Savabeel, was secured by Te Akau's David Ellis for NZ\$625,000 and he finished the day as the

leading buyer by aggregate, spending NZ\$1,750,000 on seven yearlings.

- After a brilliant day in the sales ring, Waikato are the front runners in terms of vendors by aggregate, selling 18 yearlings for NZ\$2,635,000.
- Lib Petagna's Elsdon Park are presenting their first draft at the sale and they will be delighted with their first day, selling four yearlings for an average of NZ\$265,000 and an aggregate of NZ\$1,060,000.
- After a fine day of trade, Savabeel is the leading sire by both aggregate and average having nine yearlings sell for a total of NZ\$3,015,000 and an average (with three or more lots sold) of NZ\$335,000.
- So You Think's (NZ) popularity came to the fore during the opening session when three of his youngsters brought NZ\$845,000 and the Coolmore Stud sire finished the day with an average of NZ\$281,666.

The welcome return of international buyers brought a buoyant atmosphere to Karaka for the opening day of the 2023 New Zealand Bloodstock Karaka Yearling Sale on Sunday, but locals still more than held their own, snapping up the two highest-priced lots of the day.

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Karaka kingpin and Te Akau Racing's David Ellis | *New Zealand Bloodstock*

625k Savabeel Colt Shines Cont.

Karaka kingpin David Ellis came out on top again with his NZ\$625,000 purchase of Lot 59--a colt by Savabeel out of Bayrock (Fastnet Rock). Savabeel was also the sire of the second highest-priced yearling, Lot 97, who was bought by Andrew Forsman.

New Zealand Bloodstock were delighted with the opening day's trade, which set the tone for an exciting week of selling.

"Firstly, I think it was a really nice touch to honour the late Sir Patrick Hogan in naming the auditorium in his honour this morning," bloodstock executive Kane Jones said.

"We saw a really strong day of selling. It's great to have all the internationals back, but we're also really heartened by the fact that the local Kiwi buyers were strong. We saw Te Akau, we saw Stephen Marsh and we saw Andrew Forsman all feature prominently. It was great.

"The average of NZ\$162,000 and median of NZ\$150,000 are both well up on previous years, and we know that the clearance rate of 73 per cent will be heading upwards as we speak.

"The general vibe is that the strongest part of the catalogue is still to come. Having seen all of these horses multiple times, I know there's some heavy hitters and some fireworks to be expected in the next few days. Looking forward to Day 2 and certainly Day 3, and we expect the sale to remain strong as we go on."

Lot 59, Savabeel x Bayrock colt, NZ\$625,000

Savabeel and Fastnet Rock have each provided plenty of success stories for David Ellis on his annual pilgrimages to Karaka, and the Te Akau Racing principal put those two outstanding sires together in his first major purchase of Karaka 2023.

Ellis went to NZ\$625,000 on Sunday afternoon to secure Windsor Park Stud's well-related colt by Savabeel out of the Fastnet Rock mare Bayrock.

Savabeel yearlings previously purchased by Ellis at Karaka include the Group 1 winners Embellish (NZ), Probabeel (NZ), Noverre (NZ), Cool Aza Beel (NZ), Amarelinha (NZ), Prise De Fer (NZ), Sword Of Osman (NZ) and Hall Of Fame (NZ), while Advantage and Heroic Valour have been headline acts among his Fastnet Rock successes.

Lot 59 is a full brother to the Listed Twilight Glow S. winner Hindaam (NZ) (Savabeel), who was sold to Suman Hedge Bloodstock (FBAA) for \$1 million as a broodmare prospect at the 2021 Shadwell Stud Australasia Unreserved Dispersal.

Bayrock, meanwhile, is a sister to three stakes winners including the G1 Coolmore Stud S. and G1 Diamond Jubilee S. winner and sire Merchant Navy.

Ellis paid NZ\$875,000 at Karaka 2020 for this colt's full brother Espionage (NZ) (Savabeel), who has been a placegetter, and he has high hopes for his new acquisition.

"I believe in this family big time, and I think this is the best foal the mare's left to date," he said. "He's a ripper of a colt and was definitely one of my top two or three colts in the sale.

"He's by our Champion Sire Savabeel and out of a Fastnet Rock mare, and he's a full brother to Hindaam, who was a very good filly in Australia. He was reared on one of the best farms, Windsor Park Stud.

"There's a hell of a lot to like to him, and I don't think he'll be for sale for too long before all the shares are snapped up."

The colt capped a buoyant first couple of hours of selling action in Sunday's opening session of Book 1, and Ellis was upbeat about the early signs.

"I think it's been a very strong start," he said. "There's been good money for a lot of good horses, and with most of the top lots probably later in the catalogue, it bodes well for the rest of the sale."

Lot 97, Savabeel x Chiaretta (NZ) filly, \$600,000

Accomplished owner-breeder Lib Petagna has had a dream start to his new Elsdon Park venture, netting NZ\$600,000 for a filly by Savabeel out of Chiaretta (NZ) (Makfi {GB}).

Petagna's green, dark blue and yellow colours have been prominent on Australasian racetracks, carried by the likes of Group 1 winners Lucia Valentina (NZ) (Savabeel), Sofia Rosa (NZ) (Makfi {GB}), Nicoletta (NZ) (Savabeel), Crown Prosecutor (Medaglia D'Oro {USA}) and Waikato Stud stallion Tivaci. In May of last year, he and his wife Katrina bought the former Valachi Downs property in Matamata. With Kerrie Cox at the helm as general manager, Elsdon Park is making its yearling sale debut at Karaka 2023.



Lot 97, Savabeel Filly | New Zealand Bloodstock

The Savabeel-Chiaretta filly was catalogued as Lot 97 and was only the third member of the Elsdon Park draft to go through the ring. She was bought by Andrew Forsman in partnership with bloodstock agents Andrew Williams and Bevan Smith.

"It's brilliant, I'm very happy with that," Petagna said. "We've made a big investment in the farm, and this is the first time selling under our own brand. It's very special to get a result like this, and I'm pleased to see her go to a very good stable where she will be given every opportunity."

Coincidentally, the filly sold for exactly the same price as the Petagna-bred Ethereal Star (Snitzel), who was also bought by Forsman, Williams and Smith from the draft of Blandford Lodge at Karaka last year. She has been a Listed winner and was runner-up in this month's R. Listed Karaka Million 2YO.

"Ethereal Star is a really nice filly who has already done enough to at least hold her value, and we're hoping this filly might be able to do similar," Forsman said. "She's a very neat type, athletic, and I think she also has some of the sharpness of her mother, who was quite a good racehorse. Lib Petagna and Bruce Perry have been big supporters of me in my career, and it's great to be able to buy such nice horses off them."

Forsman was in a bidding duel with Te Akau Racing's David Ellis, who took the lead with a bid of NZ\$560,000. But Forsman took the plunge and put in a decisive bid of NZ\$600,000.

"I was hoping we might get her for somewhere between NZ\$400,000 and NZ\$500,000, but we had to push a bit further," Forsman said. "I realistically had only one bid left and didn't want to be NZ\$580,000, so I stretched out to NZ\$600,000."

Lot 91, Super Seth x Chandelier (NZ) colt, NZ\$380,000

A day after teaming up with Waikato Stud to win the G3 Desert Gold S. with their homebred 3-year-old filly Mazzolino (NZ) (Savabeel), trainer Stephen Marsh played his part in another notable result for the renowned nursery at Karaka on Sunday.

Marsh paid NZ\$380,000 for Lot 91, a colt from the first crop of Waikato Stud's Caulfield Guineas-winning stallion Super Seth. One of the early highlights of Waikato Stud's Karaka 2023 draft, the colt is a half-brother to the G1 Rosehill Guineas and G1 Winx S. winner Mo'unga (NZ) (Savabeel).

"I loved this colt from the first time I saw him," Marsh said. "I was worried that he might be outside our price range, but I'm rapt to be able to get him for this price."

"He's a beautiful, athletic colt and a great mover. I always look at type first, but it's nice to back it up with a good family as well. He has plenty of credentials there, being a half-brother to a quality multiple Group 1 winner in Mo'unga."

Marsh has been impressed with the progeny of Super Seth, whose yearlings sold for up to \$450,000 at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale earlier this month.

"The Super Seth yearlings have made a good impression and sold very well over on the Gold Coast," Marsh said. "He was a quality racehorse himself and is an exciting young sire." Marsh bought the colt in partnership with one of his major supporters, American businessman Dennis Foster's Bourbon Lane Stable.

"Bourbon Lane and Dennis Foster will take a majority share, and we'll syndicate the rest to New Zealand owners," Marsh said. "We first teamed up with them a few years ago and they've become outstanding supporters. They get right in behind us and take shares in most of the yearlings that we buy. It really helps to have that support behind you, which gives you the confidence to come to the sales and bid on quality colts like this."

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