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AT TAMPA BAY DOWNS, AN UNLIKELY WIN FOR THE 'LITTLE GUY'



Dreaming of Snow | SV Photography

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

As the field turned for home in Saturday's Suncoast S. at Tampa Bay Downs, **Dreaming of Snow** (Jess's Dream), trained by Gerald Bennett, had the lead, but it sure looked like she'd never hold on. It wasn't just that she was 38-1 and had been pressed most of the way, it was who was chasing her, monsters from the stables of super trainers Mark Casse and Todd Pletcher in **Wonder Wheel** (Into Mischief) and **Julia Shining** (Curlin). Could a horse from the barn of a 78-year-old claiming trainer who had won all of two graded stakes in his career and none in 33 years, possibly pull this off?

She could and she did.

In what was arguably the biggest upset of the year in a major race, Dreaming of Snow, who was a tiring fourth in the seven-furlong Gasparilla S. in her previous start, defeated champion Eclipse Award winner Wonder Wheel by a neck in the Suncoast. It was another 1 1/4 lengths back to Julia Shining in third. In what has become more and more rare in this sport, a David beat not one, but two Goliaths.

"To win a race like this, that's what you dream of," Bennett said. Though Bennett, entering Sunday, had 4,090 winners, 14th best among all North American trainers, he has always operated well outside the spotlight. *Cont. p3*

2023 MATING PLANS, PRESENTED BY SPENDTHRIFT: JCB STABLES

As we approach the opening of the 2023 breeding season, the TDN staff is once again sitting down with leading breeders to find out what stallions they have chosen for their mares, and why. Today we caught up with JCB Stables' Ezequiel Cesar Valle, who represents the aforementioned American branch of Haras Firmamento, one of the largest farms in Argentina.

MAID OF HONOR (6, Medaglia d'Oro--Lovely Regina, by Deputy Minister), to be bred to Street Sense

We bought five mares at the last Keeneland November Sale, and she was the most expensive at \$260,000 carrying her first foal by Twirling Candy. She was originally a \$400,000 yearling.

Maid of Honor is a half-sister to MGSW Thiskyhasnolimit (Sky Mesa) and her second dam, Cara Rafaela, literally fills the page. We are sending her to Street Sense became he is one of the best stallions in America; a top sire and sire of sires who will suite her physically, too. *Cont. p7*

IN TON EUROPE TODAY

Q&A WITH HENRY FIELD

In the latest installment of the TDN's Conversations Series, Henry Field explains the key principals that helped him build Newgate Stud into what it is today.



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Amin Castillo receives a celebratory dousing at Aqueduct on Sunday after scoring his first career victory aboard Papi On Ice. | Coglianese

HIT SHOW FINE AFTER WITHERS WIN

Gary and Mary West's Hit Show (Candy Ride {Arg}) could make his next start in the GII Wood Memorial, while New York-based stablemate Slip Mahoney (Arrogate) may make his stakes debut in the GIII Gotham S.

HERNANDEZ WINS FIRST U.S. RACE

Chilean jockey Jorge Hernandez rode his first winner in the U.S. at Laurel Park Sunday.

AG BULLET STEPS UP IN LADY OF SHAMROCK

Ag Bullet (Twirling Candy) takes stakes debut in the Lady of Shamrock S. at Santa Anita Sunday.

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The Week in Review (cont. from p1)

Born in Nova Scotia, Bennett began training in his native Canada in 1976 and in 2021 became the winningest Canadianborn trainer of all time. He moved on to the now-defunct Michigan circuit, where he became a force at places like Detroit Race Course and Hazel Park and, later on, Great Lakes Downs. In the late eighties and in 1990, Bennett got a brief taste of what it was like to win at the highest level when he campaigned Beau Genius (Bold Ruckus), whose 13 career stakes wins included victories in the GI Philip H. Iselin H. and the GII Michigan Mile and One-Eighth H. He has not won a graded stakes since Beau Genius's win in the 1990 Iselin at Monmouth Park.



Gerald Bennett | Lauren King

At an age when a lot of trainers would be slowing down, Bennett has been enjoying some of his best years. He is leading the current standings at Tampa Bay Downs, where he will be seeking his eighth straight training title. He has won 830 career races at Tampa, where, when it comes to the higher-class races, it's not unusual to see shippers from the top stables based at Gulfstream.

"Those guys ship in here all the time," Bennett said. "You have to have a nice horse who can compete with them. It was a great thrill to do that, to beat those guys. The last time it happened for me was quite a few years ago, in 2002, in the Super S. Mark Casse had a horse named Exciting Story, who had just won the Met Mile. We beat him and set a track record. That was another great thrill."

On paper, Dreaming of Snow didn't appear to have much of a chance. She had never run beyond seven furlongs or around two turns and she was coming off what looked like a lackluster effort in the Gasparilla. In Wonder Wheel and Julie Shining, she would be facing two of the best 3-year-old fillies in training. But Bennett was convinced she could win this race.





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"When we ran her in seven-eighths race [the Gasparilla], she sat back and we tried to make a run with her," he said. "The track here, they had a lot of rain and they hadn't bladed it for a while. The track got biased favoring the outside. The inside was extremely deep for a while and that's where she was in that race. Anybody who was down on the inside couldn't finish. She ran an even race last time. But we have been high on this filly from the start and always thought she'd be a nice horse. I thought she had a shot [in the Suncoast]."

Dreaming of Snow was purchased for \$60,000 at the 2022 OBS March sale. It was more than Bennett usually pays.

"I go to the sale and buy these horses for \$17,500, for \$25,000," he said. "We paid \$60,000 for this one. I like going to the June sale in Ocala. It seems like you get more value there and don't have to overpay for them. If they run well and get a big number, usually I'll sell them."

Some, no doubt, will consider the Suncoast result to be a fluke. Bennett doesn't see it that way. He believes that Dreaming of Snow is a legitimate contender for the GI Kentucky Oaks and is looking to run her next in the GIII Fantasy S. at Oaklawn Apr. 1.

"When she turned for home, she drew off a bit," he said. "She's a fighter and she wouldn't let them pass her. Wonder Wheel was the class of the race and had all the hype. [Casse] had been preparing for this race for a while. He said she got tired, but the jockey was whipping on her well before the wire. You can't take anything away from our horse. She ran a monster race and she wasn't tired. In the winner's circle, she wouldn't have blown out a match."

Asmussen Vs. Suarez

Steve Asmussen was bearing down on the 10,000-win milestone last week. Entering Sunday's races, he had 9,996 career wins, a remarkable total and one that will surely keep growing for many years to come as Asmussen is just 57. But he still has a way to go before he can be crowned as the winningest trainer in the history of the sport.

That title still belongs to Peruvian trainer Juan Suarez. As of Saturday, Suarez had 10,328 wins. However,

Asmussen is gaining on him. Since Aug. 8, 2021, when Asmussen moved past Dale Baird to become the winningest trainer in the history of North American racing, Asmussen has had 440 winners while Suarez has had 332. While Asmussen is always active at several tracks in the U.S., Suarez's opportunities are limited since there is only one track in Peru, Hipodromo de Monterrico.

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A Slow Race Or Not, Hit Show Impressed

The loaded Brad Cox-barn won another stakes race with a 3-

year-old colt when Hit Show (Candy Rude {Arg}) captured Saturday's GIII Withers S. at Aqueduct. But what should we make of the time? He covered the mile-and-an-eighth in 1:54.71 and the final three furlongs were run in a leisurely :41.36.

That's not a reflection on Hit Show, but how slow the Aqueduct main track has been over the last few weeks. On the same card as the Withers, 3-year-old sprinters needed 1:13.09 to complete the Jimmy

Winkfield S. On the day before the Withers, a mile-and-aneighth race went in 1:59.04. Granted it was an \$8,000 claiming race, but that very well could be the slowest time for the

distance ever at a NYRA track. Hit Show was given a 91 Beyer figure for his effort.



Steve Asmussen | Sarah Andrew

HIT SHOW EXITS WITHERS IN FINE SHAPE

Gary and Mary West's **Hit Show** (Candy Ride {Arg}) exited his 5 1/2-length victory in Saturday's GIII Withers S. in fine shape, according to Brad Cox's Belmont-based assistant trainer Dustin Dugas.

"He looked good this morning,"
Dugas said. "He cooled out well
yesterday and came back in good
shape. He was at the front of the
stall, and bright eyed this morning.
We're happy with him and he was
happy with himself."

Hit Show's potential next starts include the Apr. 8 GII Wood Memorial.

"He's always been a horse that we thought would be better with more ground, based off pedigree, how he runs and what he's shown us in his races," Cox said. "I think we will obviously look at the Kentucky

Derby and one race between now and then. What race that is, I don't know yet. It very well could be the Wood Memorial. He obviously likes the racetrack there and we'll see how things go."

last December. He was fourth b

Hit Show | Sarah Andrew

Another Triple Crown nominee based in New York for Cox is Gold Square's **Slip Mahoney** (Arrogate), who broke his maiden in his third start at Aqueduct Jan. 21. Before that maidenbreaking score, Slip Mahoney was beaten just a neck when second behind subsequent 'TDN Rising Star' Tapit Trice (Tapit) last December. He was fourth behind Saturday's GIII Sam F.

Davis S. winner Litigate (Blame) in his November debut.

The gray colt is now being pointed towards the Mar. 4 GIII Gotham S.

"He ran against some really good horses in his last two races," Cox said. "He held his own and he's a nice colt. He's marching towards the Gotham. That's where he'll start next, and we're excited about him. He showed some heart and determination in his last two and I think he's one that will get better with doing it in the

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afternoon. He's been a little tough to get to the races, but once he got there, he's shown up and run every time."

THE WORD ON THE STREET

is that Street Sense – already sire of four G1-winning twoyear-olds – is about to have his best year with juveniles in 2023. It's a crop that has already given him a career-high yearling average. **Just imagine!**



Slip Mahoney breezed a half-mile in :49.77 (39/87) over the Belmont training track Saturday.

"He came back great. He looked good yesterday," said Dugas. "He's another one who ate up everything last night and was ready to go this morning. Dylan [Davis] was on him yesterday and he was happy with it, too."

Slip Mahoney is out of Grade I winner Got Lucky (A.P. Indy) and his third dam is the blue hen mare Get Lucky (Mr. Prospector).

Drew's Gold (Violence) will target the Apr. 8 GIII Bay Shore S. following his win in Saturday's Jimmy Winkfield S. at Aqueduct.

Of the decision to aim for the seven-furlong Bay Shore rather than the one-mile Gotham, which will offer Kentucky Derby points, co-owner and trainer James Chapman explained, "I'd rather just keep taking it step-by-step with him and run him in the seven-eighths race. He's doing super. He came out of the race like he didn't even run."



Drew's Gold | Sarah Andrew

Drew's Gold, who is co-owned with Stuart Tsujimoto, is unbeaten in three lifetime starts. The six-furlong Jimmy Winkfield was his longest effort to date.

"Who knows until you run around two turns, but it doesn't seem like the distance has affected him. The further that he goes, he just wins by more," Chapman said.

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MATING PLANS

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BELLA AURELIA (6, Medaglia d'Oro--My Miss Aurelia, by Smart Strike) to be bred to Hard Spun

Another purchase from Keeneland November. You do not have to explain too much about her; she is the first registered foal out of champion 2-year-old filly My Miss Aurelia. She has a colt by Munnings and now is in foal to Maclean's Music.

Hard Spun is the real deal. There are not too many proven stallions like him with 15 career Grade I-winners.

BY THE HOUR (5, Tapit--Miss Super Quick, by Rock Hard Ten) to be bred to Twirling Candy

Another Keeneland November purchase, this one carrying her first foal by American Pharoah. We love her pedigree, she is from the immediate family of GI Kentucky Derby winner Super Saver, and many other Grade I stakes winners.

Twirling Candy, one of the best sons of Candy Ride (Arg) at stud, suites her perfectly. Candy Ride numbers with Tapit mares are incredible and he has already shown a remarkable affinity for the A.P. Indy branch

CLEOPATRA'S CHARM (6, Pioneerof The Nile--Careless Jewel, by Tapit), to be bred to Hard Spun

Our first purchase. We bought her at Keeneland November in 2021 in foal to Omaha Beach and we have a very nice and strong colt. Her first foal is a Bernardini filly that we acquired at the last Keeneland September sale for \$155,000. She is currently in foal to Blame and I like Hard Spun for her this year because the Hard Spun/Empire Maker cross is proven (Silver State, for example).

Cleopatra's Charm's dam is a Grade I stakes winner and she is a 3/4-sister to Reframe, a very famous filly in Japan who won a Listed race.

BRASSY (6, Medaglia d´Oro-Cheeky Charm, by A.P. Indy), to be bred to Nyquist

Brassy has a lovely pedigree. Her dam is 3/4-sister to Sky Mesa and Velvety, the dam of Maxfield. Her third dam is the influential mare La Affirmed, ancestress of Bernstein, for example. She was our last purchase at Keeneland November, in foal to Hard Spun.

Brassy is booked to Nyquist, one of the best young sires in America and who also crosses well over mares from the Medaglia d'Oro and A.P. Indy lines.



STREET SLAYER (4, Street Sense--Ghostslayer, by Ghostzapper), to be bred to Twirling Candy

Street Slayer is a half-sister to GSW Biddy Duke (Bayern) and descends from the same family as Forte, Folklore, Contrail, and Essential Quality, among other Grade I-winners.

We bought her as a broodmare prospect at Keeneland November and she is now booked to Twirling Candy, too. Twirling Candy is out of a Mr. Prospector line mare and has found success with mares from that line. And as I mentioned before, there are not too many active, proven stallions in Kentucky as good as him for \$60,000.

KNOCKOUT KISSES (4, Into MIschief--Transplendid by Elusive Quality), to be bred to Blame

We acquired Knockout Kisses as a broodmare prospect at the Fasig Tipton July sale last year. She is a young half-sister to GSW Dennis' Moment (Tiznow). She has a lot of Into Mischief and we chose Blame because it's a great physical match as well. We really like Blame, he is a proven stallion and he offers good value even at the increased fee of \$25,000.

Interested in sharing your own mating plans? Email garyking@thetdn.com.





HERNANDEZ SCORES FIRST U.S. WIN

Jockey Jorge F. Hernandez captured his first win in the United States when guiding Queen Cadence to victory in the first race at Laurel Park Sunday.

A multiple group-stakes winning jockey in his native Chile, the 33-year-old Hernandez's first domestic win came in his 27th mount. He also finished fourth on Shoulda Had It for owner-trainer Mario Serey, Jr. in Sunday's second race.

"I am really happy. I was waiting for it. After having five seconds in a month, I wanted to get that first win out of the way," Hernandez said through fellow jockey Angel Cruz. "It's special."

Following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, both also named Jorge, Hernandez began riding at the age of 16 prior to entering the Blanco Encalada Riders School. Standing just 4-foot-7, Hernandez quickly became one of Chile's top riders and earned the nickname, 'El Bomba.' He said he won 960 races in his home country, including Group 1, 2 and 3 stakes.



"My career was awesome over there, but I wanted to try something different in the United States," Hernandez said.

Brought to Laurel by Claudio Gonzalez, Maryland's overall leading trainer six straight years who also hails from Chile, Hernandez had five seconds and one third from his first 26 mounts. He made his North American debut Jan. 6, finishing fifth on Gonzalez-trained God is Love. Seventeen of Hernandez's mounts have come for Gonzalez.



Jorge Hernandez | MJC photo

"Claudio brought me from Chile," Hernandez said. "I want to thank Claudio and all the other trainers that have given me the opportunity since I've been here. I'm so happy for the opportunity Claudio gave me. He opened the door for me to come here."

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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Fair Grounds #13, post time: 7:14 p.m. EST

RISEN STAR S. PRESENTED BY LAMARQUE FORD-GII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Quiet as Midnight 🛪	Midnight Lute	PoBoy Racing, LLC and Metoyer, Rand S.	Chatters	Nieves	122
2	Single Ruler	Empire Maker	Rocker O Ranch, LLC	Desormeaux	Riguelme	122
3	Shaq Diesel	Khozan	Bishop, Chester A., Hinkson, Anthony and	Richards	Beschizza	122
	·		Stanford, Donovan			
4	Determinedly 🖛	Cairo Prince	John C. Oxley	Casse	Gutierrez	122
5	Harlocap 🛪	Justify	Harlo Stables Corp. and Villa Rosa Farm, Inc.	Asmussen	Velazquez	122
6	Angel of Empire 🛪	Classic Empire	Albaugh Family Stables LLC	Cox	Saez	122
7	Sun Thunder	Into Mischief	R.T Racing Stable and Cypress Creek Equine	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	122
8	Tapit's Conquest 🛪	Tapit	LaPenta, Robert V., e Five Racing Thoroughbreds	Cox	Geroux	122
			and Madaket Stables LLC			
9	Curly Jack 🛪	Good Magic	Michael McLoughlin	Amoss	Morales	122
10	Two Phil's 🖛	Hard Spun	Patricia's Hope LLC and Sagan, Phillip	Rivelli	Loveberry	122
11	Silver Heist 🖛	Tapit	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Asmussen	Lanerie	120
12	Crupi 🖛	Curlin	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Graham	122
13	Victory Formation 🛪	Tapwrit	Spendthrift Farm LLC and Frank Fletcher Racing	Cox	Prat	122
			Operations, Inc.			
14	Private Creed <a>**	Jimmy Creed	Mike McCarty	Asmussen	Gaffalione	120

Breeders: 1-Four Pillars Holdings, LLC, 2-Don Alberto Corporation, 3-Bishop Racing, Inc., 4-Bedouin Bloodstock LLC, 5-Breed First LLC, 6-Forgotten Land Investment Inc & BlackDiamond Equine Corp, 7-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 8-WinStar Farm, LLC & Tapit Syndicate, 9-Betz/J.Betz/Burns/Camaquiki/C.Kidder/etal, 10-Phillip Sagan, 11-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 12-Claiborne Farm, 13-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd.,

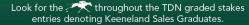
Saturday, Fair Grounds #12, post time: 6:41 p.m. EST

RACHEL ALEXANDRA S. PRESENTED BY FASIG-TIPTON-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Vahva 🖛	Gun Runner	Belladonna Racing, LLC, Hudson, Jr., Edward J.,	DeVaux	Saez	122
			West Point Thoroughbreds, LBD Stable LLC, Nice			
			Guys Stables, Manganaro Bloodstock, Runnels			
			Racing, Hornstock, Steve and Twin Brook Stables			
2	Hoosier Philly 🖛	Into Mischief	Gold Standard Racing Stable, LLC	Amoss	Morales	122
3	Knockyoursocksoff 🛪	Kitten's Joy	Town and Country Racing, LLC	Block	Prat	122
4	Chop Chop	City of Light	Selective, LLC	Cox	Geroux	122
5	Pretty Mischievous	Into Mischief	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	122
6	Miracle	Mendelssohn	WinStar Farm LLC and Siena Farm LLC	Pletcher	Velazquez	122

Breeders: 1-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC, 2-Candy Meadows LLC, 3-Zayat Stables, 4-Cobra Farm & MRJ Thoroughbreds, 5-Godolphin, 6-Magnolia Mares, LLC & Pony ExpressSales,Inc.





Saturday, Oaklawn #9, post time: 5:42 p.m. EST RAZORBACK H.-GIII, \$600,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Long Range Toddy	Take Charge Indy	Zenith Racing	Stewart	Bejarano	115
2	Law Professor	Constitution	Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC	Atras	Ortiz	120
3	Rated R Superstar	Kodiak Kowboy	Danny R. Caldwell	Villafranco	Cabrera	118
4	Ginobili 🖛	Munnings	Slam Dunk Racing, McClanahan, J & Nentwig, M	Miller	Santana, Jr.	119
5	Trademark 🛷	Upstart	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Garcia	116
6	West Will Power	Bernardini	Gary and Mary West	Cox	Rosario	122
7	Last Samurai 🖛	Malibu Moon	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Lukas	Torres	118
8	Hero Status	Flatter	MyRacehorse and Agnew, Dan J.	Glatt	Smith	116
9	Keystone Field 🖛	Candy Ride (Arg)	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Castillo	115
10	Caddo River	Hard Spun	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Lukas	Saez	116

Breeders: 1-Willis Horton Racing LLC, 2-Twin Creeks Farm, 3-Thorndale Stable L.L.C., 4-Hinkle Farms, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 7-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 8-Fred W. Hertrich III, 9-CRK Stables, LLC, 10-Shortleaf Stable

Saturday, Fair Grounds #10, post time: 5:37 p.m. EST

MINESHAFT S. PRESENTED BY RELYNE GI BY HAGYARD-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Hoist the Gold 🖛	Mineshaft	Dream Team One Racing Stable	Stewart	Hernandez, Jr.	118
2	Run Classic 🖛	Runhappy	Tom R. Durant	Calhoun	Gutierrez	118
3	Tawny Port 🖛	Pioneerof the Nile	Peachtree Stable	Cox	Geroux	118
4	Farmington Road	Quality Road	Chrysalis Stables LLC	DeVaux	Gaffalione	118
5	Big Blue Line 🖛	Atreides	Silverton Hill LLC	McGee	Lanerie	118
6	Happy American 🛪	Runhappy	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Pessin	Graham	124
7	Pioneer of Medina 🖛	Pioneerof the Nile	Sumaya U.S. Stable	Pletcher	Saez	118
8	Mr. Wireless	Dialed In	Lapczenski, Jon and JIL Stable	Calhoun	Parker	118
9	King Fury	Curlin	Fern Circle Stables & Three Chimneys Farm LLC	McPeek	Murrill	118

Breeders: 1-Dream Team Racing, 2-Millennium Farms, 3-WinStar Farm, LLC, 4-Chrysalis Stables, 5-Barak Farm, 6-Claiborne Farm, 7-International Equities Holding, Inc., 8-John Kerber & Iveta Kerber, 9-Heider Family Stables, LLC

Saturday, Laurel #8, post time: 3:58 p.m. EST

BARBARA FRITCHIE S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Prodigy Doll 🖛	Shanghai Bobby	HnR Nothhaft Horse Racing, LLC	Schoenthal	Karamanos	122
2	Liscolvin 🛪	Speightstown	Hill N' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc.	Lynch	Pennington	122
3	Pass the Champagne	Flatter	R. A. Hill Stable, Black Type Thoroughbreds,	Weaver	Cruz	122
			Rock Ridge Racing, BlackRidge Stables & Brown, J	I		
4	Quiet Imagination	Imagining	Harry Kassap LLC	Woolley	Marquez	122
5	Swayin to and Fro	Straight Talking	Baxter Racing Stable	Serey, Jr.	Monterrey	122
6	Union Lake	Speightster	Steven Schoenfeld	Terranova, II	Cancel	122
7	Moody Woman	Gormley	Robert James McGee	McMullen	Lopez	122
8	Fille d'Esprit	Great Notion	C J I Phoenix Group and No Guts No Glory Farm	Robb	Perez	122

Breeders: 1-Tolo Thoroughbreds & Michael A. Spirito, 2-Springhouse, W. Duignan, TranquilityInvestments & Speightstown Syndicate, 3-Preston Madden, 4-Harry Kassap LLC, 5-Franklin G. Smith Sr., 6-Richard Bosshard Jr., 7-Double Eagle Thoroughbreds, 8-Sweet Spirits Stables, LLC

Saturday, Laurel #9, post time: 4:29 p.m. EST GENERAL GEORGE S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sir Alfred James 🖛	Munnings	Built Wright Stables, LLC.	Cash	Acosta	124
2	Momos	Distorted Humor	Ironhorse Racing Stable, LLC and Bobo, Tami	Trombetta	-	122
3	Beren	Weigelia	St. Omer's Farm and Feifarek, Christopher J.	Reid, Jr.	Pennington	122
4	Yodel E. A. Who	Creative Cause	Johnson, Troy, Lo, Charles and Jagger, Inc.	Ness	Rodriguez	120
5	John the Bear 🖛	The Factor	Euro Stable	Gonzalez	Toledo	122
6	Pirate Rick 🛪	Liam's Map	Built Wright Stables, LLC.	Cash	Gomez	122
7	Eastern Bay	E Dubai	Built Wright Stables, LLC.	Cash	Humphrey	122
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Breeders: 1-Mt. Joy Stables, Pope McLean, MarcMcLean & Pope McLean Jr., 2-Tami D. Bobo & Distorted Humor Syndicate, 3-Susan C Quick & Christopher J Feifarek, 4-Heinz H. Steinmann, 5-George Bolton & Barry Lipman, 6-Woods Edge Farm, LLC, 7-Nancy Lee Farms, 8-Pope McLean, Marc McLean, Pope McLeanJr. & Phil Hager

Saturday, Fair Grounds #11, post time: 6:09 p.m. EST

FAIR GROUNDS S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4vo/up, 1 1/8mT

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tiz the Bomb	Hit It a Bomb	Brookdale Racing, Inc.	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	118
2	Two Emmys 🖛	English Channel	Wolfe Racing LLC and Robertson, Hugh H.	Robertson	Graham	118
3	Cavalry Charge	Honor Code	West Point Thoroughbreds, Sandbrook, William and Masiello, Robert	Stewart	Cohen	118
4	Gentle Soul	Tapizar	Mueller, Martin, Ladd, Don, Reid, Richard, Bowley, Joe and Cieminis, Arvydas	Calhoun	Gutierrez	122
5	English Tavern 🖛	English Channel	Romans, Jr., Jerry and Smith, Hamilton A.	Lovell	Parker	118
6	Pixelate	City Zip	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Saez	118
7	Corelli	Point of Entry	Augustin Stable	Thomas	Geroux	118
8	Bay Street Money	Street Sense	Sanford J. Goldfarb	Maker	Gaffalione	118

Breeders: 1-Spendthrift Farm, LLC, 2-Tottenwood Thoroughbreds, Inc., 3-Glencrest Farm LLC, 4-Martin Mueller, Richard Reid, DonaldLadd, Joe Bowley & Garry Randall, 5-Dr. Charles H. Huber & English ChannelCo-Owners, 6-Godolphin, 7-George Strawbridge Jr., 8-Adena Springs

Saturday, Gulfstream #11, post time: 5:06 p.m. EST ROYAL DELTA S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Don't Get Khozy	Khozan	Imaginary Stables	Dobles	Vasquez	120
2	Kathleen O. 🖛	Upstart	Winngate Stables, LLC	McGaughey III	Castellano	120
3	Midnight Stroll	Not This Time	Gatsas Stables, R. A. Hill Stable & Schoenfeld, S	Terranova, II	Zayas	120
4	Jungle Juice (Ire)	Bungle Inthejungle (GB)	Ford, Beth and Meah, David	Meah	Bridgmohan	120
5	Classy Edition	Classic Empire	Low, Lawana L. and Robert E.	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	120
6	Soul of an Angel	Atreides	James, Gerald and Hall Performance LLC	James	Morelos	118
7	Tap Dance Fever 🛷	Tapiture	J.P.G. 2 LLC, Mr Pug LLC, Winning Stables, Inc.	Bennett	Ferrer	120
			and Team Equistaff, LLC			

Breeders: 1-Special Effort Farm, Laura Colon & Michael Colon, 2-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd & BridlewoodFarm, 3-Dr. Carolin Von Rosenberg DVM, 4-Ballybrennan Stud Ltd, 5-Chester Broman & Mary R. Broman, 6-Westbrook Stables, LLC, 7-John R. Penn

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

LADY OF SHAMROCK S., \$101,000, Santa Anita, 2-12, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:35.82, fm.

1--AG BULLET, 120, f, 3, by Twirling Candy 1st Dam: Noble Grey, by Forestry 2nd Dam: Never Fail, by Holy Bull

3rd Dam: Peaceful Intention, by Hold Your Peace (\$30,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$220,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Calvin Nguyen & Joey C. Tran;

B-H & E Ranch (KY); T-George Papaprodromou; J-Lanfranco Dettori. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$101,600.

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- 2--The Wild Grazer (Ire), 120, f, 3, Gustav Klimt (Ire)--Texas Katie (GB), by Clodovil (Ire). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Red Baron's Barn LLC & Rancho Temescal LLC; B-Pat McGree (Ire); T-Jeff Mullins. \$20,000.
- 3--Princess Bettina, 120, f, 3, Will Take Charge--Aiden's Girl, by First Dude. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Donald R. Dizney, LLC (FL); T-Peter Eurton. \$12,000.

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Also Ran: Tea N Conversation, Nyvan, Broadway Girls, Quickly Park It.

After an unsuccessful fifth behind GISW & 'TDN Rising Star' Faiza (Girvin) on the dirt at Del Mar in November, Ag Bullet made the switch to the grass and immediately found success, posting a 3 1/2-length win Jan. 22 going 6 1/2 furlongs. Stretched out to one mile for the first time here, the gray broke as the narrow 2-1 second choice behind eventual runner up The Wild Grazer and showed good early speed to contest the tempo up front. Jockey Frankie Dettori, riding in place of an injured Joe Bravo, took Ag Bullet in hand to tuck back in second off early pacesetter Broadway Girls (Army Mule). Chasing while two wide around the far turn, she hit the front with a furlong to run and held off a closing The Wild Grazer to secure the narrow win.



Ag Bullet | Benoit

Noble Grey has a 2-year-old colt, Innocent Man (Honor Code), and a yearling filly by Classic Empire. She is carrying a Mendelssohn foal for 2023. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

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BROADWAY S., \$100,000, Aqueduct, 2-12, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.82, ft.

1--FUNNY HOW, 118, f, 4, Overanalyze--Heavenly Humor (MSW, \$260,595), by Distorted Humor. (\$120,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Adelphi Racing Club and Cutair Racing; B-Hibiscus Stables (NY); T-Raymond Handal; J-Katie Davis. \$55,000. Lifetime Record: 7-5-0-2, \$262,660.

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- 2--Betsy Blue, 124, m, 5, Tonalist--Honest to Betsy, by Yonaguska. O-Cloud Nine Stable; B-Blue Devil Racing Stable, LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$20,000.
- 3--Bank Sting, 124, m, 6, Central Banker--Bee in a Bonnet, by End. (\$14,000 RNA Ylg '18 EASOCT). O-Hidden Brook Farm, McMahon, Joseph G. and McMahon, Anne; B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY); T-John P. Terranova, II. \$12,000.

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Also Ran: Know It All Audrey, Honey Money, November Rein.



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Funny How | Adam Coglianese

Funny How extended her win streak to five and made her stakes debut a winning one with an impressive last-to-first victory here. After a slow break, she had no choice but to settle early and let the speed go as she dropped back to last while November Rein (Street Boss) set all the pace. After two furlongs, though, she'd had enough of waiting and was on the move while traveling wide on the turn and had reached striking distance before the early leader began making her way around the far bend. Soon after the frontrunner posted a half-mile in :46.97, the winner began to make her way around the bend and had passed all but three of her rivals at the top of the stretch. Down the lane it was all Funny How as she dug in and easily passed all of her tiring rivals before drawing away to the 4 1/4-length victory at odds of 5-1.

"She's a filly that's just overcome adversity from Day One," trainer Ray Handal said. "She had some setbacks when she was younger. She had a soft tissue [issue] in her back ankle and we gave her the time off and she overcame all that. She just has tenacity and a will to win and an amazing fight to her. She's overcome trips. She overcomes bad breaks like she did today. She finds ways to win."

Funny How is a daughter of the MSW Heavenly Humor and a half-sister to Super Humor (Super Saver), SW, \$169,288; Funny Guy (Big Brown), MSW & GSP, \$638,645; and Three Jokers (Twirling Candy), MSP, \$342,170. The 22-year-old broodmare also produced an unnamed colt last year by The Factor. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

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8th-Oaklawn, \$104,000, Alw, 2-12, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.26, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

PARODY (f, 3, Distorted Humor--Rockster, by Super Saver) began her career with the Brisset barn at Churchill Downs with a 3/4 length maiden victory in the slop going five panels Oct. 30. She then shipped to Bob Baffert and was a beaten fourth to 'TDN Rising Star' Justique (Justify) in the Desi Arnaz S. at Del Mar Nov. 19, and produced a similar result to Ice Dancing (Frosted) in the GIII Santa Ynez S at Santa Anita Jan. 8. Sent back to her original conditioner, she dropped in against older females under Lasix for the first time. A 9-2 shot here, the homebred went with Violent Point (Violence) to the tune of :22.06 for the first quarter mile. Rounding the far turn and into the stretch the pair dueled, but Parody put away her rival with less than a furlong left to win by 1 3/4-lengths. Part of a family that includes MGSWs Rule (Roman Ruler) and Matrooh (Distorted Humor), the winner is the first to make it to the races for dam Rockster. Her unraced progeny include Candlelight, a 2-year-old filly by Speightstown and a yearling filly by Tom's d'Etat. A visit to Charlatan was made last year. Sales History: \$235,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$149,400. Click for the

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5th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 2-12, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.59, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

PRO OXIDANT (g, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Ender's Sister {MSW & MGSP, \$525,048}, by A.P. Indy) got off to promising start, breaking his maiden on debut by seven lengths at Churchill Downs last August before failing to hit the board in his next two starts. He wrapped up the year a winner over this same track and distance Dec. 29 and returned to the Fair Grounds Sunday as the narrow 6-5 choice. Two wide on the front end, he held a stalking trip before pouncing between rivals into the far turn. With a head in front as the field straightened for home, Pro Oxidant slowly went clear and opened up, hitting the wire 1 3/4 lengths ahead of Broken Rib (Exaggerator) in second. Ender's Sister, herself an accomplished race mare, has done just as well in her second career--already responsible for A.P. Indian (Indian

Charlie), MGISW, \$1,477,434, It's All Relevant (Hard Spun), GSP, \$589,467, and Tiz Shea D (Tiznow), GSW, \$482,197. She foaled a filly by City of Light last year but aborted when bred to Gun Runner for 2023. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$142,110. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. O/B-Green Lantern Stables, LLC (KY); T-Eddie Kenneally.

9th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$26,500, Alw, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000), 2-12, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.51, gd, 1 3/4 lengths. STRIKER (h, 5, War Front--Dreamologist {GSW, \$203,710}, by **Tapit)** found the drop in class back to allowance company to his liking in his first start of the year after two unplaced finishes in Woodbine's G2 Kennedy Road S. and G3 Jacques Cartier S. to end 2022 to score the win here by 1 1/2 lengths. The gray 5year-old broke alertly, sped right to the front and never looked back, leading the field for the entire grassy one-mile distance, including posting the half-mile time in :46.27. Though briefly challenged as he made his way around the turn, he was never seriously threatened and soon after straightening out for the drive kicked clear to post the win at odds of 3-1. Striker is the first foal out of 2016 GIII Las Cienegas S. winner Dreamologist, who is a daughter of champion Dreaming of Anna (Rahy). Dreamologist also produced the unplaced 4-year-old filly Aspen (Medaglia d'Oro), the 3-year-old Silver Peak (Quality Road), an unnamed yearling colt by Curlin and is currently in foal to leading sire Into Mischief. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$87,997. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. O/B-LNJ Foxwoods(KY); T-Josie Carroll.





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6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$25,500, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 2-12, 3yo, 1m 40y, 1:40.78, ft, 7 3/4 lengths.

KINGSBARNS (c, 3, Uncle Mo--Lady Tapit (GSP), by Tapit) made his first start against winners a successful one, dominating his rivals to win by 7 1/4 lengths as the public's 2-5 betting favorite. After scoring in his debut by 13/4 lengths at Gulfstream Park a month ago, the \$800,000 Fasig-Tipton March Select 2-Year-Old in Training purchase was shipped a few miles north for a first start in allowance company, a choice that proved successful. The bay colt broke smartly from the gate but drifted back in the early going to track the pace set by longshot Sentir Zuliano (Lord Nelson) while in the three path around the first turn and then closer to the rail as he straightened out for the run up the backstretch. The early pacesetter opened up a clear lead on the field behind him and was a handful of lengths in front as he passed the half-mile mark in :46.33, but soon after Kingsbarns was launching his move and was challenging for the lead along the inside midway around the final bend. Angled back out toward the center of the track past the quarter pole, the Uncle Mo colt had easily taken control and remained in command to the wire, drawing away to the handy victory. Kingsbarns is out of a half-sister to GISW Gozzip Girl (Dynaformer), who also produced a 2-year-old colt by Union Rags, who was exported to Saudi Arabia last year, and a yearling half-brother by Gun Runner. Lady Tapit is expecting a Munnings foal this year. Sales Record: \$250,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG; \$800,000 2yo '22 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$57,300. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Spendthrift Farm LLC; B-Parks Investment Group, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



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7th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Msw, 2-12, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.85, ft, 6 1/2 lengths.

RO TOWN (f, 3, Mo Town--Runfor Ro {GSP-Can, SP-USA, \$211,042}, by Afleet Alex), racing in the slop at Gulfstream Park on debut Dec. 18, weakened before the top of the lane to finish fourth behind second-place runner, The Mrs (Khozan), who returned last month to break her maiden in South Florida. Sent off at 11-1 this time, the bay filly conserved her strength as she spied on Lady Irvine (Accelerate) down the backstretch. Rounding the far turn, the Lynch trainee swiped the lead, never looked back and won going away over the late-running Hollywoodland (Quality Road) by a healthy 6 1/2-lengths.

Ro Town is the fourth offspring of dam Runfor Ro to make the races. She is also responsible for an unraced 2-year-old filly named Lea Toro by Nyquist and a yearling filly by Mo Town, who she was bred back to last year. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$45,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Raroma Stable, LLC; B-Rajendra Maharajh (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

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9th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Msw, 2-12, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38.25, ft, 5 lengths.

SEDUCTION (f, 3, Bernardini--Thorayya, by Smart Strike) caught a wet track on debut during the BAQ meet where she finished second by 4 3/4-lengths to next out Tempted S. winner Good Sam (Good Samaritan). Working well in South Florida and bet down here to 4-5, the bay filly exited the chute in good order, went unchallenged around the far turn and sailed home nicely under a hand ride to declare victory by 5-lengths over Ocean Getaway (Tonalist). Second dam Cat Dancer (Storm Cat) produced GISW Drill (Lawyer Ron) and is a full-sister to GSW Magic Storm, who was responsible for three Japanese-bred millionaire earners, such as G1SW Satono Aladdin (Jpn). As for the winner, she has an unraced filly half-sister by Mohaymen. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$61,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Bass Stables, LLC; B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

5th-Santa Anita, \$69,000, Msw, 2-12, 3yo, f, 6fT, 1:09.42, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

TEENA ELLA (f, 3, War Front--Beholder {Ch. 3-year-old Filly, 2x Ch. Older Mare, Ch. 2-year-old Filly, MGISW, \$6,156,600}, by Henny Hughes), the third foal out of Beholder, became the champion's first winner while making her turf debut at Santa Anita Sunday. The 2-1 favorite broke alertly and was keen while in tight quarters between rivals battling for the lead in the early strides. She settled back just off the dueling leaders behind fractions of :22.76 and :45.71. Tipped out four wide at the top of the lane, the bay filly closed determinedly to win going away by 1 1/4 lengths. Irish Rose (Irish Surf) was second.

Teena Ella faded to sixth behind subsequent GI Starlet S. and GIII Las Virgenes S. winner Faiza (Girvin) in her six-furlong debut at Del Mar last November. She was most recently third going six furlongs over the main track at Santa Anita Jan. 6. Her victory capped a powerful hour for Spendthrift Farm, which was also represented by Kingsbarns (Uncle Mo), who took his record to a perfect two-for-two with a powerful victory at Tampa Bay Downs.



Teena Ella | Benoit

Beholder, a four-time Eclipse winner, has a 2-year-old filly by Bolt d'Oro and a yearling colt by Curlin. She was bred to Gun Runner, but was barren last year. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$48,740.

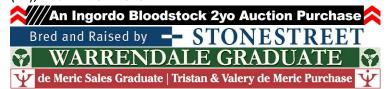
O/B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella.

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6th-Santa Anita, \$68,000, Msw, 2-12, 3yo, 1m, 1:36.78, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

SKINNER (c, 3, Curlin--Winding Way {GSW, \$208,188}, by Malibu Moon) was making his first start in more than four months and returning to maiden company after two unsuccessful stakes starts--a sixth in the GI American Pharoah S. and a third in the GI Runhappy Del Mar Futurity--and graduated with an impressive off-the-pace victory by 3 1/4 lengths in his fourth career start. After the break the bay colt was unhurried and let the speed go in front of him, the appropriately named Speed of the Nile (Pioneerof the Nile) taking command early to lead the field in the early going around the first turn and halfway up the backstretch. The stalking Yellow Brick (Quality Road) was done waiting by then and put his head in front past the half in :47.15, but Skinner was on the move and closing ground on the leaders while parked wide out in the center of the track. As the frontrunner made his way around the turn, the winner launched a sweeping move while widest of all and had reached even terms with Yellow Brick at the quarter pole. He was no match for the charging Skinner, who drew away handily to the win under little more than a hand ride at odds of 3-1. Skinner is the fifth foal out of GSW Winding Way, who is a full sister to MGSW Kauai Katie. His dam also produced an unnamed 2-year-old filly by Union Rags, an unnamed yearling filly by Maclean's Music and was bred to Nyquist for a foal this year.

Sales History: \$40,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$510,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$78,300. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-C R K Stable LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-John A. Shirreffs.





IN SINGAPORE:

Bluejay, c, 3, Practical Joke--Meadow Saffron (MSW-US, GSP-Can, \$200,725), by Military. Kranji, 2-12, Restricted Maiden, 1400mT, 1:22.81. B-Brookdale Farm LLC (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$75,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$22,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. VIDEO

Jewel Sixty-One, g, 5, First Samurai--Dance Fever, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Kranji, 2-12, Hcp., 1200m (AWT), 1:11.54. B-Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC (NY). *Formerly Maaroof. **1/2 to Estrela Monarchos (Monarchos), Ch. Older Mare & G1SW-Brz, \$138,725. ***\$52,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT; \$40,000 2yo '20 OBSJUL. VIDEO

IN DUBAL

Alhzeem, g, 5, Liam's Map--Spangled Banner by Tiz Wonderful. Meydan, 2-12, Maiden, AED82,500, 1900m, 2:00.50, ft. O-Sh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. B-Albaugh Family Stables LLC (KY). T-Michael Costa. *\$90,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. VIDEO

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Ra'Ad, g, 6, Twirling Candy--Tough Market by Suave. Meydan, 2-12, Hcp., AED87,500, 1400mT, 1:23.40, gd. O-RRR Racing. B-Machmer Hall (KY). T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. *\$140,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL; \$500,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. VIDEO

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-Oaklawn, \$106,000, 2-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45.52, ft, 2 lengths.

TRAVERSE (f, 4, Street Sense--Chastise, by Blame) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$188,065. O/B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Riley Mott.



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6th-Gulfstream, \$76,200, 2-12, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.12, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

CELESTIAL GLAZE (g, 4, Frosted--Butterfly Soul {SW, \$108,168}, by Henny Hughes) Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-4, \$91,400. O-Daniel C. Hurtak; B-Glen View Oaks LLC (KY); T-Daniel C. Hurtak. *\$35,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$160,000 2yo '21 EASMAY.



8th-Gulfstream, \$72,000, 2-12, 4yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT) (off turf), 1:39.60, ft, 1 length.

SARATOGA FLASH (g, 5, Laoban--Flash Act, by Sky Mesa) Lifetime Record: 15-5-0-1, \$215,160. O-Dailey Double Racing, LLC; B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. *\$60,000 Ylg '19 SARAUG. **1/2 to Nine Route (The Factor), SW, \$128,948.



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3rd-Gulfstream, \$72,000, 2-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2m (AWT) (off turf), 2:28.24, ft, 10 1/2 lengths.

ENSEMBLE (IRE) (m, 5, Nayef--Alqubbah {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Arcano {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 12-2-4-1, \$105,710. O-Clipper Logistics; B-Mrs T. Mahon (IRE); T-Brendan P. Walsh. *62,000gns Ylg '19 TAOCT.

8th-Aqueduct, \$72,000, (S), 2-12, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:40.15, ft, 1 length.

LATE NIGHT LARRY (g, 4, Not This Time--Maddalena {GSW & GISP, \$250,820}, by Good and Tough) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$99,700. O-SAB Stable Inc.; B-Ned Williams & Mike Matese (NY); T-Brittany T. Russell. *\$67,000 2yo '21 EASMAY; \$8,000 2yo '21 FTIDEC. **1/2 to Bern Identity (Bernstein), GSW, \$877,200; Battle of Evermore (Scat Daddy), MSP, \$301,492; Three Hawk (Violence), SP, \$172,328; Sagamore Mischief (Into Mischief), SP, \$256,445.

8th-Laurel, \$69,650, 2-12, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39.03, my, neck.
AMERICAN D'ORO (g, 5, American Pharoah--Mega Dream {SW & GSP, \$187,925}, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record:
23-6-4-5, \$239,201. O-Sterling Road Stables & LBR Racing
Stable; B-Normandy Farm LLC (KY); T-Richard P. Sillaman.
*\$100,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$22,000 2yo '20 EASMAY.

7th-Laurel, \$61,080, 2-12, 3yo, 6f, 1:12.50, my, 4 3/4 lengths. **NOAH CHANCE (c, 3, Great Notion--Ecliptical Mary, by In Summation)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$100,710. O-Mens Grille Racing; B-Maria M Haire (MD); T-John J. Robb. *\$7,500 Ylg '21 OBSWIN.

6th-Laurel, \$59,460, 2-12, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 7f, 1:26.36, my, 2 1/4 lengths.

CAPTAIN QUINT (g, 4, Mosler--Gansett, by Jump Start) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-2, \$79,789. O-Paul Berube and Karen Linnell; B-Country Life Farm, Paul Berube & Karen Linnell (MD); T-Michael E. Gorham.



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5th-Sunland, \$56,300, (S), 2-12, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.91, ft, 1/2 length.

JET N G (g, 8, Mr. Trieste--Book the Cat, by Tabasco Cat) Lifetime Record: MSP, 48-8-11-6, \$428,583. O-Maurcenia Cross; B-Maurcenia & Gary Cross (NM); T-Gary W. Cross. *Full to Numberoneson, SP, \$150,809.

6th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, 2-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.75, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

FANNIE AND FREDDIE (f, 4, Malibu Moon--Connie and Michael {GISP, \$136,860}, by Roman Ruler) Lifetime Record: MSP, 8-2-2-1, \$123,162. O-Columbine Stable LLC.; B-Betz/J.Betz/Burns/Camaquiki/C.Kidder/et al (KY); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr. *\$150,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP. **1/2 to Curly Jack (Good Magic), GSW, \$417,580.

7th-Fair Grounds, \$52,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 2-12, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:54.39, gd, 1 3/4 lengths.

RISING EMPIRE (h, 5, Empire Maker--Smart Farming, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-3, \$146,601. O-Russell Welch and Ran M. Leonard; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. *\$275,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$700,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Rocketry (Hard Spun), MGSW, \$811,577.

Broken and Trained by Randy Bradshaw



8th-Delta Downs, \$37,270, 2-11, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:20.51, wf, head.

RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC (m, 6, Cross Traffic--Dana's Lucky Lady {MSP, \$207,773}, by Lucky Lionel) Lifetime Record: SW, 23-5-7-4, \$278,991. O/B-Sugarland Thoroughbreds, LLC (MN); T-Brett A. Brinkman. *1/2 to La Glamorosa (Fire Slam), Ch. 2-year-old Filly-PR, MSW-PR, \$179,669; He's a Lady Tamer (Lion Tamer), SP, \$175,635; Full to Dame Plata, MSW, \$397,560; 1/2 to Paddy O'Lionel (Paddy O'Prado), SW, \$189,325.

5th-Sam Houston Race, \$36,000, 2-12, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.93, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

TRIPLE L'S CUTTER (f, 3, Include--Cuoco, by Union Rags)
Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$59,400. O-Thompson Racing LLC
(Stephen Thompson); B-Imagine (KY); T-Jayde J. Gelner.
*\$35,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR.

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7th-Sam Houston Race, \$36,000, (S), 2-12, (NW2L), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.77, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

PROUD VALENTINE (f, 4, Proudinsky {Ger}--Ms Aldebaran, by Aldebaran) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$43,602. O-Horsefly Racing, LLC; B-Jones Alto Colorado Ranch, LLC (TX); T-Matt Hebert.

7th-Charles Town, \$33,900, 2-11, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :54.07, ft, 4 lengths.

GHOSTLY SQUALL (f, 4, Master Rick--Wizards Fever, by Fiber Sonde) Lifetime Record: 12-4-0-3, \$86,565. O/B/T-John D. McKee (WV).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

For Harper, f, 3, Accelerate--Holdontoyourdream (GSP, \$108,675), by Proud Citizen. Fair Grounds, 2-12, (S), 1m, 1:42.12. Lifetime Record: SP, 5-1-1-2, \$47,150. B-Clear Creek Stud LLC & Theodore Brandon (LA). *\$35,000 RNA Ylg '21 OBSOCT. **1/2 to Tightly Twisted (Hard Spun), SW, \$319,260.

No Easy Days, g, 3, American Freedom--Bringingdown Babel, by Roman Ruler. Laurel, 2-12, 1 1/16m, 1:48.16. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$63,108. B-Ben Glass, Des Ryan & Ken Canterbury (KY). *\$1,500 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$12,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT; \$65,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

Paros, g, 3, Cairo Prince--Kalabaka (SP, \$269,684), by Trappe Shot. Aqueduct, 2-12, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:19.84. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$29,871. B-Marianne Franco, MD (KY). *\$37,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT.

Spoiler, c, 3, First Samurai--A. P.'s Glory (SW), by Mineshaft. Sam Houston Race, 2-12, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.69. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$23,385. B-Curtis C. Green (KY). *1/2 to Givemetwenty (Declaration of War), SW, \$129,028.

Hypnocurrency, f, 3, **Freud**--Silverama, by Mineshaft. Aqueduct, 2-12, (S), (C), 1m, 1:42.89. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$33,312. B-Jeffrey Treadway (NY). *\$20,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

Profound Impact, c, 3, **Frosted**--Profound Moment (SW, \$180,472), by Haynesfield. Oaklawn, 2-12, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:46.57. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$29,363. B-M&M Race (KY).

Geyser Road, f, 3, **Jess's Dream**--Spa City Princess (MSW & MGSP, \$251,309), by Roaring Fever. Gulfstream, 2-12, (S), 1m 70y (AWT) (off turf), 1:41.68. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$53,800. B-Adam Madkour (FL).

Soft Pants, c, 3, **Mendelssohn**--No Lip Service, by Bodemeister. Fair Grounds, 2-12, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:49.04. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$29,240. B-The Lucky Ones (KY). *\$150,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

Miss Kaline, f, 3, Smiling Tiger--Recoiling, by Coil. Santa Anita, 2-12, (C), 1m, 1:41.35. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$31,340. B-Martin Bach & Daniel Weiner (CA). *\$25,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR.

Empress At War, f, 4, Classic Empire--Decoder, by War Front. Gulfstream, 2-12, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:42.70. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$65,980. B-Steven & Brandi Nicholson (KY). *\$22,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

Smart Monique, f, 4, Grazen--Elemental Metal, by Smart Strike. Santa Anita, 2-12, (S), 1mT, 1:37.72. Lifetime Record: 9-1-1-5, \$86,720. B-R. Traynor & Lo Hi (CA). *\$3,500 Ylg '20 FTCAYR.



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Psalm Prayer, m, 5, Songandaprayer--Hot Argument,

by Closing Argument. Delta Downs, 2-11, (S), 5f, 1:01.15. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-0, \$38,060. B-Johnny Joseph Romero (LA).

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American Pharoah, American d'Oro, g, 5, o/o Mega Dream, by Medaglia d'Oro. ALW, 2-12, Laurel

Bernardini, Seduction, f, 3, o/o Thorayya, by Smart Strike. MSW, 2-12, Gulfstream

Cairo Prince, Paros, g, 3, o/o Kalabaka, by Trappe Shot. MCL, 2-12, Aqueduct

Classic Empire, Empress At War, f, 4, o/o Decoder, by War Front. MSW, 2-12, Gulfstream

Cross Traffic, Rush Hour Traffic, m, 6, o/o Dana's Lucky Lady, by Lucky Lionel. AOC, 2-11, Delta Downs

Curlin, Skinner, c, 3, o/o Winding Way, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 2-12, Santa Anita

Distorted Humor, Parody, f, 3, o/o Rockster, by Super Saver. ALW, 2-12, Oaklawn

Empire Maker, Rising Empire, h, 5, o/o Smart Farming, by Smart Strike. AOC, 2-12, Fair Grounds

First Samurai, Spoiler, c, 3, o/o A. P.'s Glory, by Mineshaft. MSW, 2-12, Sam Houston

Freud, Hypnocurrency, f, 3, o/o Silverama, by Mineshaft. MCL, 2-12, Aqueduct

Frosted, Celestial Glaze, g, 4, o/o Butterfly Soul, by Henny Hughes. AOC, 2-12, Gulfstream

Frosted, Profound Impact, c, 3, o/o Profound Moment, by Haynesfield. MCL, 2-12, Oaklawn

Grazen, Smart Monique, f, 4, o/o Elemental Metal, by Smart Strike. MSW, 2-12, Santa Anita

Great Notion, Noah Chance, c, 3, o/o Ecliptical Mary, by In Summation. AOC, 2-12, Laurel

Include, Triple L's Cutter, f, 3, o/o Cuoco, by Union Rags. AOC,

2-12, Sam Houston

Jess's Dream, Geyser Road, f, 3, o/o Spa City Princess, by Roaring Fever. MSW, 2-12, Gulfstream

Laoban, Saratoga Flash, g, 5, o/o Flash Act, by Sky Mesa. AOC, 2-12, Gulfstream

Malibu Moon, Fannie and Freddie, f, 4, o/o Connie and Michael, by Roman Ruler. AOC, 2-12, Fair Grounds

Master Rick, Ghostly Squall, f, 4, o/o Wizards Fever, by Fiber Sonde. ALW, 2-11, Charles Town

Medaglia d'Oro, Pro Oxidant, g, 4, o/o Ender's Sister, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 2-12, Fair Grounds

Mendelssohn, Soft Pants, c, 3, o/o No Lip Service, by Bodemeister. MCL, 2-12, Fair Grounds

Mo Town, Ro Town, f, 3, o/o Runfor Ro, by Afleet Alex. MSW, 2-12, Gulfstream

Mosler, Captain Quint, g, 4, o/o Gansett, by Jump Start. ALW, 2-12, Laurel

Mr. Trieste, Jet N G, g, 8, o/o Book the Cat, by Tabasco Cat. ALW, 2-12, Sunland

Nayef, Ensemble (Ire), m, 5, o/o Alqubbah (Ire), by Arcano (Ire). AOC, 2-12, Gulfstream

Not This Time, Late Night Larry, g, 4, o/o Maddalena, by Good and Tough. ALW, 2-12, Aqueduct

Overanalyze, Funny How, f, 4, o/o Heavenly Humor, by Distorted Humor. Broadway S., 2-12, Agueduct

Proudinsky (Ger), Proud Valentine, f, 4, o/o Ms Aldebaran, by Aldebaran. ALW, 2-12, Sam Houston

Smiling Tiger, Miss Kaline, f, 3, o/o Recoiling, by Coil. MCL, 2-12, Santa Anita

Street Sense, Traverse, f, 4, o/o Chastise, by Blame. AOC, 2-12, Oaklawn

Twirling Candy, Ag Bullet, f, 3, o/o Noble Grey, by Forestry. Lady of Shamrock S., 2-12, Santa Anita

Uncle Mo, Kingsbarns, c, 3, o/o Lady Tapit, by Tapit. AOC, 2-12, Tampa Bay

War Front, Striker, h, 5, o/o Dreamologist, by Tapit. AOC, 2-12, Tampa Bay

War Front, Teena Ella, f, 3, o/o Beholder, by Henny Hughes. MSW, 2-12, Santa Anita



Teena Ella (War Front) breaks her maiden at Santa Anita (click to watch)



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HENRY FIELD Q&A: "THE WINNING POST TRUMPS ALL"



Henry Field | Newgate Stud

By Brian Sheerin

In a little over a decade, Henry Field has built Newgate into one of the leading stallion operations in Australia and a force to be reckoned with on the international thoroughbred playing field. Foxwedge got the stallion arm of the operation up and running in 2012 and, since then, the roster has grown exponentially, with Capitalist and Extreme Choice some of the more recent additions to the farm.

In this week's Q&A, Field explained the key principals that helped him build Newgate into what it is today, discussed the thinking behind partnering up with Rathbarry Stud to buy State Of Rest and much more.

Brian Sheerin: You have achieved a lot at Newgate in a little over a decade. If you could take me back to the beginning; what were your key principals in getting Newgate off the ground?

Henry Field: We didn't specifically set out to try and make Newgate a big stallion operation, it just grew organically. When we started out in 2010, we had a leased farm of about 200 acres, a couple of mares and borrowed a bit of money to get up and running. **Cont. p3**

JAPANESE CHAMPION DO DEUCE PUNCHES TICKET TO DUBAI

Despite running a forgettable 19th when last seen in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe last October, last season's G1 Japanese Derby scorer **Do Deuce (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) launched the 2023 season the right way, coming from far off the pace to take Sunday's G2 Kyoto Kinen at Hanshin. Named Japan's 2021 juvenile champion following an undefeated season that included a victory in Hanshin's G1 Futurity S., the 4-year-old is expected to make his next start in the G1 Dubai Turf at Meydan Mar. 25.

Unhurried near the back early, the bay gradually closed the gap from his outside perch through the opening mile, began to narrow the gap on front-running **Pradaria (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) rounding the final turn and blew by that rival midstretch en route to a geared-down 3 1/2-length victory over **Mantenro Leo (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}). **Cont. p12**

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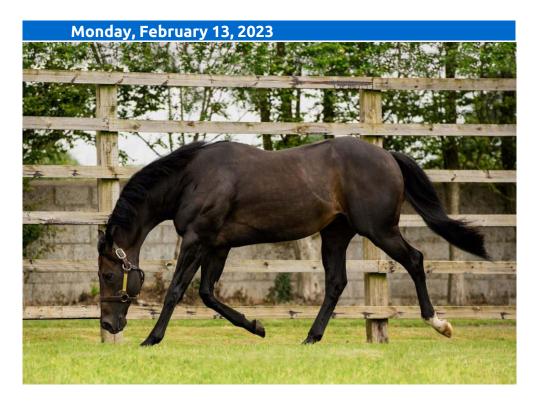
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The Archie Watson-trained Brace Emperor becomes Sioux Nation (pictured)'s fourth stakes winner by taking the Listed La Californie S. at Cagnes-Sur-Mer. See p10
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FIRST FOAL FOR FIFTY STARS

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Group 1 winner Fifty Stars (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), kicking off his second year at Sunnyhill Stud in partnership with Jack Cantillon's Bloodstock Racing, was represented by his first foal.

NEW BLACK-TYPE WINNER FOR LOPE DE VEGA

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Lope de Vega was represented by stakes winner Hooking (GB), winner of the Grand Prix De La Riviera Cote D'Azur at Cagnes-sur-Mer Sunday.

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Henry Field. cont. from p1

Thankfully, through my good friend James Harron, who had a good client in the Bateman family, they boarded a few mares on the farm. The Bateman family also gave me the opportunity to syndicate Foxwedge (Aus), a good stallion who shuttled between Australia and Europe, and that's what really got us going on the stallion front. At the same time, I had built up a really good relationship with Gavin Murphy and Tom Ryan of SF Bloodstock and we decided to embark on a joint venture at that time and build Newgate with SF Bloodstock as a major partner. Matthew Sandblom, one of my oldest clients, is an educational entrepreneur in Australia, and he also came on board in the partnership with Newgate. Between us all, we built Newgate into what is something pretty cool.

In many ways, you ripped up the playbook. Do you take time to look back at what you have achieved or are you someone who concentrates only on the future?

Always looking to the future and always trying to get better. The key to our success has been our personnel and the team.

Obviously our farm is headed by Jim Carey, who I was lucky enough to work with at Coolmore 20 years ago, and I think he's the best stud manager I've ever worked with. I couldn't believe it when he came on board to work with us and he has been a huge part of our success story. On the bloodstock and sales side of things, we have Bruce Slade and Tony Williams, who are very experienced guys. Between us all, we've got a strong team that allows me to grow the business. I obviously work very closely with my partners in growing the business and, having the likes of Jim, Bruce and Tony managing the day-to-day running of things, that allows me to use my time on growing Newgate. It's grown exponentially since we started out.

You obviously built your brand with speed horses in Australia but now seem to be diversifying the business with more stoutly-bred horses. State Of Rest (Ire) is a good recent example of that. That may have come as a surprise to a few people. Why is it that you felt he'd be a good fit for Newgate?



Australian speed sires have been the bread and butter of the Australian sires' table for decades. Most people would agree

that what we do best in Australia is speed horses and we probably have the best speed horses in the world down here. It is a high quality product, the Australian speed stallions, and it has really got our product going in Newgate, with Extreme Choice (Aus), Capitalist (Aus) and Deep Field (Aus), who have been so dominant here and in Hong Kong and broader Asia. Russian Revolution (Aus), the champion first-season sire in Australia last season, is another example, so they are all very fast horses, but we had been talking about

diversifying over the past number of years as we felt there was an opportunity to bring in a high-class middle-distance horse into the operation. They are hard to get and obviously Coolmore and Godolphin have a stranglehold on the majority of the high-class horses who are retired to stud in Europe each year.

Conceptually, I think that horses who can perform well in Australian conditions, they are often the ones who make the

Rathbarry Stud, we jumped at the opportunity to partner with

outstanding racehorse when winning Group 1s in France and at

them to buy him. He went on and confirmed himself an

best sires and the fact that State Of Rest was good enough to come down and win the Cox Plate, our premier weight-for-age race where he beat our champion three-year-old Anamoe (Aus) and our horse of the year Verry Elleegant (NZ), it showed that the horse had top-class mile-and-a-quarter talent. Not only that, the fact that he did it after landing a Grade 1 in Saratoga, it showed that he had the tenacity and toughness that comes with travelling all over the world and succeeding at the top level, which is very important for

us here in Australia. When State Of Rest became available with



Tom Ryan, Henry Field and Gavin Murphy | Bronwen Healy

Royal Ascot. Cont. p5

Frankie Dettori guides MANHATTAN JUNGLE to an easy success in the Sweet Life Stakes, Santa Anita NTHEIUN RATHASKER 🍪 STUL

But we had taken a view that, if we are going to stand a middle-distance horse, it has to be the right one for Australian conditions, and we are confident that State Of Rest is the right fit.

So this had been on your mind before State Of Rest became available?

Yes, we had discussed it with the team and were actively trying to find a middle-distance horse with the right attributes, but obviously they are hard to find. As soon as State Of Rest won the Cox Plate, it became obvious that he was the play. Also, Nick Williams, who is a big owner in Australia and in Joseph O'Brien's yard, told me the massive opinion that Joseph had of the horse before the Cox Plate so that performance did not come as a major surprise and the wheels had been set in motion. What the horse did after the Cox Plate, in winning Group 1s in France and at Royal Ascot, confirmed that he was a great investment for us and our partners in the China Horse Club.

Does State Of Rest represent a new challenge in terms of marketing him in Australia as he is something different for Australian breeders?

I think he will be received extremely well. For a brand like ours, that really specialises in Australian speed, for us to go and buy a

Cox Plate winner, I think people take note of that in a very positive way. This is not a decision that was taken lightly. It has been well thought out and I think people notice that and I think they will support the horse heavily. I am sure that State Of Rest will be booked out within weeks of announcing his fee for this year.

You have set the rock-solid foundations with your sprint stallions at Newgate but, along with State Of Rest joining the roster, it seems as though there is plenty to look forward to on the track with the more stoutly-bred Militarize (NZ) (Dundeel {NZ}) shaping up to be a smart runner.

The reality is that the Australian sires' championship is dominated every year by the fastest horses, for the most part. There are some exceptions to the rule and there are some very good shuttle stallions, no more successful than Danehill (Ire) and more recently More Than Ready, so there are examples of very potent shuttle sires. Then there are some very successful middle-distance stallions, the likes of Zabeel (NZ) and So You Think (NZ), along with a horse in Melbourne, Shamus Award (Aus), who started from a low base. We don't want to be long in these types of horses but when there's one we have belief and high conviction in, we're certainly happy to take them on board.



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What does the future hold for Militarize? He looks like a smart prospect.

He's more of a seven-furlong to a mile style two-year-old. There are two Group 1 races in the Sydney Autumn Carnival, the Group 1 Sires Produce Stakes and the Group 1 Champagne Stakes. We've won both races before and they are the two races we could target with him. Hopefully that will set him up for being an important middle-distance three-year-old for us.



Tom Magnier, Henry Field and MV Magnier | Bronwen Healy

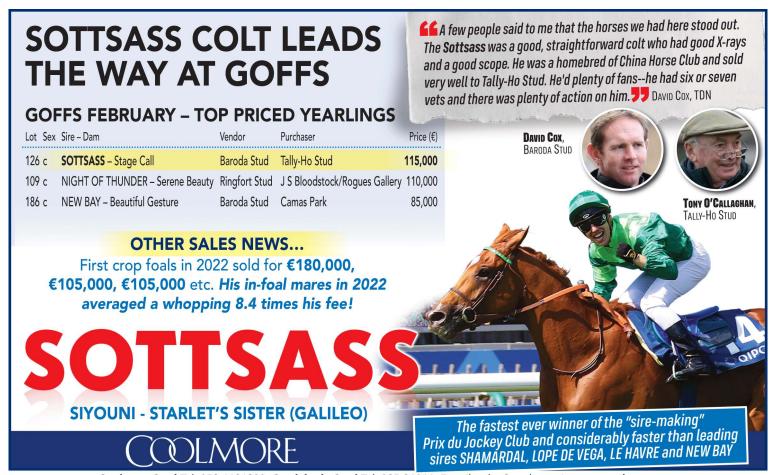
The stallion partnerships are obviously very popular in Australia but what is it that you set out to buy when sourcing a yearling that you hope to stand at stud one day?

For me, first and foremost, they've got to be athletes. I'm far more focussed on buying runners and horses who are built mechanically–muscle tone, athleticism and class–how I like them. I probably work hardest to try and buy the racehorse first and am a big believer that horses can make their own pedigrees. It's a big bonus when these horses have a page behind them, and we'd never underestimate that, but I try to buy the best racehorse we can. The best stallion prospects are almost always the best racehorses.

It's almost becoming a buzz word in Europe, 'we need to be more like Australia,' but in reality, that's one of the few

countries where spending a million dollars on a yearling can be justified given the prize-money on offer.

For sure. The reality is, it only makes sense if you are buying stallions and you won't last very long unless you are producing the goods and buying horses who end up on the roster as it's a very expensive game. We don't take for granted that one or two bad years could really put us in a bad spot.



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We've had a huge amount of success doing it and, alongside China Horse Club and our other partners, we've raced 12 colts who have gone on to be stallions in a seven-year period. We're probably averaging on purchasing 20 colts a year and, at the end of the day, results are what matter so we're lucky to have had success. With success, it gives longevity to the programme.

What would a day in the life of Henry Field look like? You are dealing with a lot of powerful people and there must be a lot of communication involved to keep everything moving in the right direction? If there's a lot of pressure involved, you seem to be dealing with it very well.

Obviously when the horses are winning, and we've been on a massive run with our two-year-olds this year, that makes it feel a lot easier. When they are losing, it can be a bit lonely. The one thing I would say is that we are massively selective when it comes to choosing our partners. Each and every one of them are outstanding and we're all close friends. We've a very strong social group and, even though we have some of the most successful business titans in Australia within the group, we've all got mutual respect for each other. I'll tell you what else is great, whether we have a good or a bad day, we all stay strong. We've been together for long enough that we can ride the ups and downs. We share the ambition to have success, which is imperative to keep the whole thing rolling, but we also have close relationships and friendships with the people who are involved in these partnerships. That's a wonderful thing.

You were in attendance at some of the biggest meetings in Britain last season courtesy of Artorius (Aus) and State Of Rest. What were your key takeouts from that trip?

For Australians, taking horses to Royal Ascot is probably the ultimate in racing. It was an honour to win the Prince Of Wales's Stakes with State Of Rest and come so close to winning the Platinum Jubilee Stakes with Artorius, who got held up before flashing home and just failing to get there. Bottom line, you need a hell of a good horse to take up there. There's no point in bringing a second-rater. We'll certainly be trying again this year and Artorius will go back for another crack at the Platinum Jubilee. Hopefully with an ounce of luck, he can be winning there this year.

Artorius could be earning a lot more money staying in Australia but international competition is what underpins meetings like Royal Ascot.

I've got great admiration for the Japanese, who you could make the same argument for. They could keep their best horses on home shores and run them for a lot more prize-money but they like to travel. We have an obligation to travel our horses. The quality of Australian racing at this point, especially up to a mile, has never been better. We have some very powerful genetics. There is a lot of wealth in the Australian bloodstock industry and that has created a situation, a bit like in Japan 20 years ago, where the Australians are going over and buying some of the best northern hemisphere mares in the world. I think we are breeding some great horses and almost have a responsibility to bring them all over the world and showcase how good our product is.

And I understand there is an exciting chapter about to be written with Extreme Choice?

We are breeding northern hemisphere mares to Extreme Choice, who is statistically the best stallion in Australia and running at 17 per cent stakes horses to runners. He's obviously had fertility problems but, from his first crop, he's had a Golden Slipper winner and many more top-class runners. He's a phenomenal stallion so we are breeding some mares on the northern hemisphere time to him and have set an ambitious goal for one of them to win a two-year-old race at Royal Ascot. We've set a long range plan with Extreme Choice and look forward to bringing some of his better two-year-olds to Royal Ascot to take on the best juveniles in Europe in a couple of years. That's certainly one of the biggest ambitions for our partnerships, to take on the best two-year-olds in Europe and show them that ours are the best in the world!

You touched on the sales; Newgate enjoyed a great start to the new year at Magic Millions.

We had 54 offered and sold 54 at Magic Millions. We were the leading vendor, once again, and also the leading buyer as we bought 18 colts for our syndicate. They will race in our partnership and hopefully we'll have a lot of success and one or two of those will end up being stallions at Newgate. It was a very busy sale but certainly one I came away from feeling quite satisfied that we did a lot of good business at.

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Who would you say your biggest influence has been?

Doing the Godolphin Flying Start programme provided me with a huge head start. From there, I got a great position with Coolmore, where I was given a lot of responsibility and opportunity. To have gained experience with two of the pre eminent global stallion operations set me up well for starting Newgate. But as individuals go, I started out in this industry with Gai Waterhouse and she hammered into me the importance of work ethic and integrity. There was no better school to learn the basics than in Gai's. I only spent a short time working with Tim Hyde in Ireland but I think he left one of the biggest impressions on me. He educated my eye and, a lot of the success we have had in buying horses in Australia down through the years, I would attribute that to Tim. It was such an honour to walk around the sales complex with Tim. There are no finer horsemen than him. He took me under his wing for about six months but it was a time I will never forget. I've learned a lot about horses from a lot of good people but he really taught me more than anyone else in this industry. The basis of every horse I buy now, it stems from what I learned from Tim. The other people who have been extremely important to my career have to be my business partners, Gavin Murphy and Tom Ryan of SF Bloodstock. They are two of the smartest guys in the game and they make me look very intelligent. It wouldn't matter what country a mare or stallion is in, they are the sharpest guys I've met at valuing horses and buying and selling. I would definitely say that the SF team have been a phenomenal help in driving the success of Newgate, along with my other partner Matthew Sandblom, a self-made businessman. It's very easy for me to say we've built this great business at Newgate but I can assure you that, without Gavin, Tom and Matthew, there'd be no Newgate today.

How would you define success at Newgate?

Success for us is a continuing focus on being the best we can be. I think in this business, all the marketing and sales that you do, none of that really matters. All that matters is the winning post. If I had to define success for Newgate in two words it would be the winning post. I must add that another lightbulb moment came about five years ago when I was lucky enough to visit Arthur Hancock's Kentucky Stone Farm. Tom Ryan took me out there and their way of raising horses is very organic and natural. It goes right back to how it was done decades back and, over the past five years at Newgate, there would be very few farms with a better record than ours at raising horses. I would credit that to our methodology of raising horses hard and tough. The value of bloodstock had sky-rocketed in the past decade or two and a lot of horses are being raised a bit soft as a result. Arthur raises his horses as naturally as possible and he gets big, strong and tough horses as a result.



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Certainly at Newgate, there can't be many farms that raise their horses in bigger paddocks and in bigger mobs than what we do. I am sure that has played a major role in our success. All facets of this business are important but the winning post trumps all. Whether that's for your stallions or the racehorses that you are breeding, winning races and winning good races is really all that matters.

What has been your best day in racing?

Being involved in the ownership of two Golden Slipper winners in Stay Inside and Capitalist. Winning Golden Slippers is the ultimate for us so, being involved in the ownership of two of them, that is something that was very special.

Newgate has exploded into a global brand and you've achieved a lot in 10 years but it seems like there is still a lot more to come. You are clearly quite hungry still.

I feel like we've built a great platform. We started off 10 years ago with a dream and now we've got great foundations built. Naturally, if you look at where we might be in another 10 years' time, we're starting from a far better position than when we set out in this business.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

FIFTY STARS WELCOMES FIRST FOALS

Fifty Stars (Ire) (Sea the Stars (Ire)--Swizzle Stick (Ire), by Sadler's Wells) welcomed his first foals as he starts his second season at Sunnyhill Stud in partnership with Jack Cantillon's Bloodstock Racing. The Group 1-winner did his best running in Australia but now stands in the Northern Hemisphere at the National Hunt stud.

"I'm going to be looking everywhere I can to find more mares for Fifty Stars on the basis of his first foal out of Lady Breffni (Ire) (Yeats {Ire}). We bought Grade 2-winning Lady Breffni to launch our Syndicates.Racing breeding syndicate and our owners have been rewarded with a tank of a filly--she looks like she could run in a point to point by Christmas," said Cantillon. " We've been struck this year by breeders really waking up to the opportunity to breed to Sea The Star's only Group 1-winning son that won a group race over less than a mile--something not even Baaeed, Crystal Ocean or Stravarius could do and they don't stand for €3,000! Micheal Hickey's phone is going to be very busy if foals keep coming out like her."

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BRITAIN

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Rose King (Ire), g, 3, Tasleet (GB)--Chrissycross (Ire), by Cape Cross (Ire). Southwell, 2-12, 6f (AWT). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £9,828. B-Lynch Bages Ltd (IRE). *80,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT; 70,000gns 2yo '22 TATBRE; €4,000 2yo '22 GORMAY. **1/2 to Gustavus Weston (Ire) (Equiano {Fr}), MGSW-Ire, \$153,488.

FRANCE

Sunday's Results:

PRIX DE LA CALIFORNIE-Listed, €55,000, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 2-12, 3yo, 8fT, 1:34.89, st.

- 1--BRAVE EMPEROR (IRE), 125, g, 3, by Sioux Nation
 1st Dam: Roman Gal (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)
 2nd Dam: Gali Gal (Ire), by Galileo (Ire)
 3rd Dam: Asterita (GB), by Rainbow Quest
 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. (£19,000 Ylg '21 DBSPRM).
 O-Middleham Park Racing LX; B-Caroline Hanly & Sean Ronan (IRE); T-Archie Watson; J-Luke Morris. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, €61,325.
- 2--Bolivie (Ire), 121, f, 3, Exceed And Excel (Aus)--Burma Sun (Ire), by Rip Van Winkle (Ire). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. (€90,000 Wlg '20 GOFNOV). O-Haras d'Etreham; B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-Christophe Ferland. €11,000.
- 3--Showay (Fr), 121, f, 3, Galiway (GB)--Show Gorb (Spa), by Caradak (Ire). O-Le Haras de la Gousserie; B-Guy Pariente Holding (FR); T-Patrice Cottier. €8,250.

Margins: 1 3/4, HD, 3/4. Odds: 1.40, 7.70, 5.70. Also Ran: Mqse De Maintenon (Ire), J'Embrasse Pas (Fr), Cambronne (Fr), Vivernus (Fr), Machito (Ire), Ariane (Spa), Onyxka (Fr). Video, sponsored by TVG.



Brave Emperor | *JM Tempier/JDG*

Bringing up a treble of consecutive wins at Chepstow, Chelmsford and Wolverhampton over the course between May and November, Brave Emperor returned to finish first past the post again in a mile handicap at Southwell Jan. 26 only to lose the race in the stewards' room due to interference. Rousted along to take a pitch in second from the break, the imposing bay forged ahead two out and stayed on strongly under Luke Morris's driving to secure a first black-type success with authority. The winner is the first of two foals out of a half to the multiple Group 1-placed Salouen (Ire) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}). From the family of the G1 Lockinge S. hero Keltos (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}) and fellow sire Loxias (Fr) (Saumarez {GB}), her 2-year-old filly is by Inns Of Court (Ire). With the victory, Brave Emperor becomes one of 12 black-type horses and the fourth black-type winner for Coolmore sire Sioux Nation.

GRAND PRIX DE LA RIVIERA COTE D'AZUR - JACQUES

BOUCHARA-Listed, €60,000, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 2-12, 4yo/up, 10f
(AWT), 1:58.77, st.

- 1--HOOKING (GB), 125, g, 7, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Quanzhou (Fr) (SW-Eng), by Dubawi (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. (€97,000 Ylg '17 ARQOCT). O-Ecurie Griezmann; B-Haras de la Perelle (GB); T-Philippe Decouz; J-Aurelien Lemaitre. €30,000. Lifetime Record: 32-8-4-2, €198,890.
- 2--Glaer (GB), 125, g, 6, Siyouni (Fr)--Glorious Sight (Ire), by Singspiel (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-SCEA Haras de Saint Pair (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. €12,000.
- 3--Fantastic Spirit (Fr), 125, g, 6, Charm Spirit (Ire)--Fantastic Cuix (Fr), by Fantastic Light. (€25,000 Wlg '17 ARQDEC; €50,000 2yo '19 ARQMAY). O-Cuadra Alex Y Sofia CB; B-Suc L Kneip, J Bossert & Mme V Bossert (FR); T-Patrik Olave Valdivielso. €9,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 1.80, 4.580, 32.00. Also Ran: Bakhchisaray (Fr), Kahuna (Fr), Saint Hellier (Fr), Dragonet (Fr), Honguemare (Fr), Indian Pacific (Fr), Mr Coalville (Ire), Woodstone (Ger). Video, sponsored by TVG.

Signing off in 2022 with a win over 9 1/2 furlongs at Deauville in December, Hooking was back a month later to double up over a mile at this track and continued the thread with a first black-type success on a surface that suits him ideally. Patiently ridden with two behind early, the bay made up ground quickly from the top of the straight to the two pole and after gaining command a furlong later stayed on strongly to the line. The listed-winning dam, who also has Lope De Vega's promising 3-year-old filly Alia's Rose (Fr) and a 2-year-old daughter of Wootton Bassett (GB) named Quendresa (GB), is kin to the G1 Prix du Cadran hero Mille Et Mille (GB) (Muhtathir {GB}) and the G3 Prix de Conde-placed Capo Maximo (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}). The third dam is the G1 Deutschland-Preis and G2 Preis der Diana-placed Quezon City (Ger) (Law Society).

CONDITIONS RESULT:

1st-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €26,000, 2-12, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15.72, st.

LE CADEAU (GB) (c, 4, Dabirsim {Fr}--Lady Frances {GB}, by Exceed And Excel {Aus}) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 19-4-4-5, €147,860. O-Mme Jacques Cygler; B-P Rolls (GB); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. *€15,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT.



IN HONG KONG:

Circuit Stellar (Ire), g, 5, Mehmas (Ire)--Lillebonne (Fr), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Sha Tin, 2-12, Hcp. (C2), 1400mT, 1:21.66. B-Peter Henley & John Connolly. *SW-Ire. **Formerly Magnanimous (Ire). ***1/2 to Micro Manage (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}), GSP-Ire; Seisai (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Ire, \$100,011; and Thornbrook (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}), GSP-Ire. ****€50,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV. VIDEO

IN MEYDAN:

Deciduous (GB), h, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Black Cherry (GB) (GSP-GB), by Mount Nelson (GB). Meydan, 2-12, Hcp., AED95,000, 2410mT, 2:29.70, gd. O-Salem Rashid Ghadayer. B-Rockcliffe Stud (GB). T-Salem bin Ghadayer. *480,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT; AED470,000 HRA '22 ERASEP. **Half to Little Rollright (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), SP-GB. ***"He won very easily, although I had to take my time in the straight when I thought I could go inside and I could not, so I had to go right," said rider Mickael Barzalona.



Trained and owned by Salem Bin Ghadayer, Deciduous likely earned a spot at the Dubai World Cup Carnival after his impressive success in the Fazaa Gold H. | Dubai Racing Club

"Royston [Ffrench, jockey] was very happy with him last week over a mile and one (1800metres). He suggested going up in trip and he was right." **VIDEO**

Stormy Ocean (GB), h, 4, Frankel (GB)--As Good As Gold (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). Meydan, 2-12, Hcp., AED95,000, 1800mT, 1:50.46, gd. O-Rabbah Racing. B-Newsells Park Stud & Partners (GB). T-Simon & Ed Crisford. *480,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT. **"It's the first time for me to ride [Stormy Ocean] at the races," said Barzalona, whose mount is now likely to have gained a place at the Carnival, having been rated 88 prior to this. "He was strong at the beginning and then settled well and he has a good action, so hopefully he can progress." VIDEO

Torrkee (Fr), g, 5, Myboycharlie (Ire)--Fontaine Margot (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Ballingarry (Ire). Meydan, 2-12, Maiden, AED82,500, 1200mT, 1:10.15, gd. O-Sh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. B-Melchior Francois Mathet & Bloodstock Agency Ltd (Ire). T-Michael Costa. *€25,000 Wlg '18 ARQDEC; €50,000 Ylg '19 ARQOCT. VIDEO

Falsehood (Ire), h, 7, Kingman (GB)--Half Truth (Ire), by Verglas (Ire). Meydan, 2-12, Hcp., AED95,000, 1600m, 1:37.89, ft.
O-Hamad Ali Hamad Al Hamroor. B-Godolphin (Ire).
T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. VIDEO



IN HONG KONG:

Beauty Eternal (Aus), g, 4, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Ithacan Queen (NZ), by Savabeel (Aus). Sha Tin, 2-12, Hcp. (C3), 1400mT, 1:21.55. B-P Raftopolous (Vic). *1/2 to Love Sensation (Aus) (Night of Thunder {Ire}), GSP-Aus, \$155,858. **A\$90,000 Ylg '20 INGFEB. VIDEO





WORLDWIDE NEWS

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Japanese Horse of the Year **Efforia (Jpn)** (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) was pulled up and was later determined to have suffered from atrial fibrillation.



Do Deuce winning last fall | JRA

Pedigree Notes:

A winner of six starts, including the GII Gallant Bloom H. and GIII Sugar Swirl S. and runner up in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint, Dust and Diamonds realized \$1 million when offered at the 2016 Keeneland November sale after producing black-type performer Much Better (Pioneerof the Nile) earlier that season. In Japan, she dropped full-brother named Fulleren (Jpn), an earner of \$699,654, before producing a 2018 Deep Impact colt of modest success. A May foal in 2019, Do Deuce is the sole black-type winner for his dam.

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KYOTO KINEN-G2, ¥119,800,000, Hanshin, 2-12, 4yo/up, 2200mT, 2:10.90, fm.

1--DO DEUCE (JPN), 128, c, 4, by Heart's Cry (Jpn)

1st Dam: Dust and Diamonds (MGSW & GISP, \$496,260),

by Vindication

2nd Dam: Majestically, by Gone West 3rd Dam: Darling Dame, by Lyphard

O-Kieffers Inc.; B-Northern Farm; T-Yasuo Tomomichi; J-Yutaka Take; ¥62,910,00. Lifetime Record: Ch. 2yo Colt-Jpn, MG1SW-Jpn, 9-5-1-1.

*1/2 to Much Better (Pioneerof the Nile), MGSP, \$313,571. Click for theeNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: C.

- 2--Matenro Leo (Jpn), 123, c, 4, by Heart's Cry (Jpn)--Saratoga Venus (Jpn), by Brian's Time. O-Chiyono Terada; B-Inoke Farm; ¥25,260,000.
- 3--**Pradaria (Jpn)**, 126, c, 4, Deep Impact (Jpn)-Chasse' Roll (Jpn), by Kurofune. O-Nagoya Yuho Inc.; B-Orient Farm; ¥16,130,000. Margins: 3 1/2, NK, 1 1/2; Odds: 1.50, 14.20, 7.80.

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Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

KYODO NEWS SERVICE HAI-G3, ¥76,610,000, Tokyo, 2-12, 3yo, 1800mT, 1:47.00, fm.

1--PHANTOM THIEF (JPN), 123, c, 3, Harbinger (GB)

1st Dam: Lupin, by Medaglia d'Oro

2nd Dam: Promising Lead (GB), by Danehill

3rd Dam: Arrive (GB), by Kahyasi (Ire)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Turf Sport Inc.; B-Tanikawa Farm; T-Masayuki Nishimura; J-Christophe Lemaire; ¥40,427,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0. **Werk Nick Rating: F. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

- 2--**Touch Wood (Jpn)**, 123, c, 3, by Duramente (Jpn)--Amazing Moon (Jpn), by Admire Moon (Jpn) O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Murata Farm; ¥ 16,122,000.
- 3--Danon the Tiger (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Heart's Cry (Jpn)--She's a Tiger, by Tale of the Cat. (¥270,000,000 wnlg '20 JRHAJUL). O-Danox Inc.; B-Northern Farm; ¥10,061,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, NO; Odds: 3.10, 8.20, 2.60.

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550K WRITTEN TYCOON COLT STEALS THE SHOW



Sally Williams and Sebastian Hutch | Inglis

by Lydia Symonds

At A Glance:

- At the close of trade on the first day the auction house reported that 204 (81 per cent) sold for an aggregate of \$23,616,500, which is a dip on the extraordinary figures recorded 12 months ago when 226 (93 per cent) sold for total receipts of \$27,418,500.
- The average on the first day finished at \$115,767, which is only marginally less than the impressive figure of \$121,321 recorded at the end of the opening session 12 months ago.
- The median dropped \$10,000 on last year, having been recorded at the end of the action on Sunday as \$90,000 having been \$100,000 at the same point in 2022.
- A colt by Written Tycoon was the top-billing on Sunday after he was purchased by TFI and Annabel Neasham for \$550,000.
- Yulong Investments finished the day as the leading buyer, securing three lots for a total spend of \$690,000, which was marginally more than Mick Price's MG Price Racing & Breeding banner who bought three yearlings for \$570,000.
- Leading the way on the sire front by average (with three or more sold) was Toronado (Ire), who had four yearlings sell for an aggregate of \$960,000 and finished with an average of \$240,000. The leading sire by aggregate was Written Tycoon who had 10 lots realise \$1,855,000.
- The leading vendor by aggregate was Newgate Farm who sold

15 yearlings for \$1,995,000, while Kingstar Farm led the way by average (with three or more sold) having sold four lots at an average of \$233,400.

"I think we've been a little bit spoiled over the past few years in terms of what an acceptable clearance rate is. It is at 80 per cent which I would expect is a figure we will significantly improve on in the next 24 to 48 hours. But given 80 per cent in itself is a perfectly acceptable clearance rate, we'd like to get it higher and I think we will.

"There is no doubt that there is a degree of selectivity to the market. People have a pretty clear idea of what sort of horses they want to buy and if you don't quite land in that sweet spot, it is a bit harder, but evidently if you land in the sweet spot there is an opportunity to get premiums for your stock and I think that's important for any market."

Hutch said the day's trade outperformed his expectations ahead of the sale.

"It has certainly been a stronger day than what we were anticipating as a group. I think every vendor would want an auction house to be apprehensive in advance of any sale because it keeps complacency from the door and it means everyone is focused on doing a good job and what the objectives are," he said.

"We were very clear about what we were trying to accomplish throughout the day but I think most of us were very surprised by the nature of the competition and the depth of it. We are conscious of the circumstances and it is something we are sensitive to, but by the same token we were very pleased by the quality of the horse that we had here."



Annabel Neasham with Learning to Fly | Inglis

"We felt people coming to the sale could find lots of nice horses to buy and certainly on the evidence of today (Sunday) they found them and bid accordingly, which is great.

"Evidently, the figures point to the fact that there is a lot of money in the market. In the context of the Classic sale, I think somebody said it was the second strongest first day in the history of the Classic sale and by a big margin.

"The median and the average are down a little bit year on year, but they would be up on almost any other year. I know the format has changed slightly, there's no Saturday night session any more, but it would be as a positive start to this sale as there's even been other than 12 months ago."

Lot 130 - Written Tycoon x Sylvia's Mother, colt - \$550,000

Trainer Annabel Neasham made headlines on Saturday when she saddled Learning To Fly (Justify {USA}) to win the R. Listed Inglis Millennium at Randwick and the trainer was back at the Warwick Farm complex on the first day of the Inglis Classic Yearling Sale on the hunt for her next track star.

The highlight of her purchases on day one of the sale was a colt by Yulong's headline stallion Written Tycoon, who she teamed up with TFI to purchase for \$550,000.

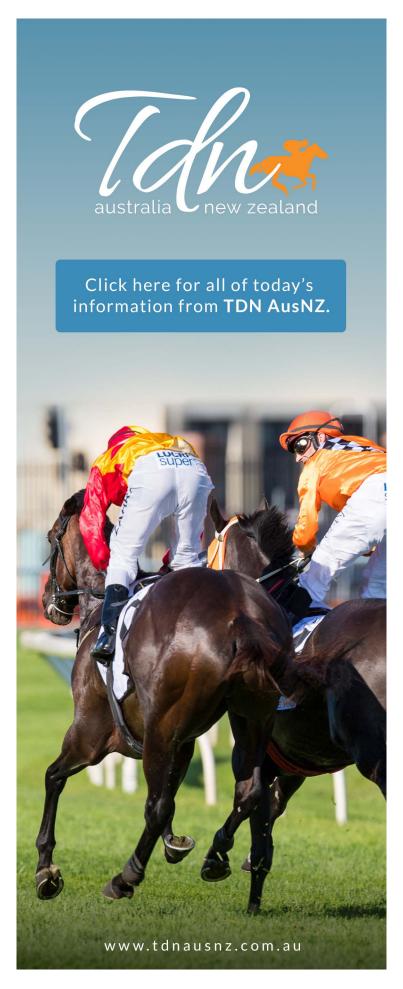
Catalogued as Lot 130 and offered as part of the Berkeley Park Stud draft, the colt is the first foal out of the Group 3-winning Snitzel mare Sylvia's Mother and hails from the same family as Group 1 winner Bel Mer (Bel Esprit), the dam of listed winner All Too Royal (All Too Hard).

"We're really excited to get him. He's a lovely physical, by Written Tycoon, a champion stallion who's ever so consistent, out of a fast and very talented Snitzel mare," said TFI's Racing and Bloodstock Manager, Sally Williams.



Written Tycoon colt, top lot | Inglis

"He's a lovely athletic colt, very well balanced, ticks every box really." Cont. p3



Written Tycoon colt, cont.

"Above all, he seemed to have a wonderful temperament which is incredibly important with these colts.

"In our opinion, he was the best colt here at the sale so we were happy to pay the money for him. We loved him and really wanted to get him. It's a great feeling, a relief, can't wait to get him home and see what he can do."

Lot 166 - Extreme Choice x Top Billing (NZ), colt - \$480,000

Last year at the Classic sale, progeny of Extreme Choice proved popular at the Sydney auction and that momentum continued into this year's auction when a colt out of the winning stakes-placed Savabeel mare Top Billing (NZ) sold to Brae Sokolski's Yes Bloodstock and Mat Becker's Group 1 Bloodstock (FBAA) for \$480,000.

Offered by Kingstar Farm, the colt will head into training with Mick Price and Michael Kent Jnr with the former having bought Extreme Choice at the 2015 edition of the sale for \$100,000 and trained him to a pair of Group 1 wins in the G1 Blue Diamond S. and G1 AJ Moir S.

"He'll go to Mick Price and Mick Kent Jnr and hopefully they can do the job. They (Mick) obviously did the job with the stallion," said Sokolski. "They are few and far between (the Extreme Choices) and we loved him. We thought he was a beautiful colt. He was right at the top of our mark, but we are very happy to walk away with him."

Bidding alongside retired jockey Glen Boss, Sokolski said he respected the multiple Group 1-winning jockey's opinion and said he was also a fan of the colt.

"Bossy's a very close friend of mine. He actually had a look at him and is a good judge himself and he liked what he saw. Matty Scown does all my bloodstock work, he does an amazing job.

"We've bought one Extreme Choice before, a filly, and now we've got a colt. Hopefully, he goes on with it, he looks like he's going to go early. He's a strong, mature colt so I have high hopes for him," he said.

Sokolski said he was not discouraged to see this colt was out of a staying Savabeel mare, quite the opposite considering G1 VRC Oaks winner Extreme Choice is out of a Keysbrook, who also got a trip.

"He's out of a Savabeel mare, so it's probably a cross you wouldn't expect with Extreme Choice, but you look at She's Extreme and she's out of a So Secret mare and she won an Oaks so that works. We're hopeful that lightning might strike twice," he continued.



Lot 30 - Ocean Park (NZ) x Sacred Rhythm (NZ), colt - \$460,000

Earlier on in the afternoon, Damon Gabbedy of Belmont Bloodstock Agency (FBAA), who was buying for leading Western Australian owner Bob Peters, went to a massive \$460,000 for a colt by Waikato Stud's ever-consistent sire Ocean Park (NZ).

Offered by Lime Country Thoroughbreds, the colt is the second foal out of listed-winning mare Sacred Rhythm (NZ) (Pentire {GB}) and Gabbedy said he had to go way and above this proposed budget to secure the colt.

"We bought him for Bob Peters in Perth who is a fantastic owner and great supporter. He is a very patient owner, he loves Ocean Park and he breeds to him and he is the perfect sire for what Mr Peters likes: give them a bit of time and be more of a 3-or 4-year-old," explained Gabbedy.

"So, we're really excited about him. The breed takes a little bit of time, he's not going to be aimed at any of the 2-year-old races. You're just going to have to be a little bit patient and that's what Mr Peters does, he gives them time and patience and he has had a lot of success doing that."

Gabbedy said that would likely be Peters' only purchase of the week

"We blew the budget completely. But anyway, that was the one he wanted for the whole sale, so I think that'll be the end of the sale for Bob.

"He (Ocean Park) was one of the best. We looked at plenty in New Zealand as well and this one was one of the nicest ones I've seen this year.

Jo Griffin of Lime Country Thoroughbreds, who was selling the youngster on behalf of New Zealand breeder, James Chapman of Jamieson Park, said the colt was popular throughout the inspection process and was hopeful of a good result.

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"Everybody was on him, all the big trainers loved him. He's a very stylish horse, obviously the first foal out of a stakes-winning Pentire mare and I say to him "that's why you come to Australia to sell your best horses, James! He had something like 23 x-ray hits, he was very popular.

"We had him on the market at \$150,000 and thought he might make \$250,000-\$300,000 so when that hammer came down at \$460,000, it was like 'wow'. We always like to put our horses on the market and let the market decide on the day and let the buyers do their thing.

"James is trying to breed a 1400-metre-1600-metre horse so he's doing some very specific breeding and I think it's paid off for him. "Inspections have been busy, we've had plenty of people through, we've brought good horses here and I think we're going to have a good sale again."

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