



'ANGEL' AIDED BY PACE MELTDOWN, BUT OVERALL DERBY 'EMPIRE' STILL HAZY



Angel of Empire | Hodges Photography

The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

Saturday's running of the GII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds seems unlikely to produce a colt of the caliber of the race's namesake. In 1988, Risen Star captivated New Orleans as the hometown horse owned by charismatic connections, parlaying a win in the then-GIII Louisiana Derby to Grade I scores in both the Preakness S. and Belmont S. before being voted 3-year-old champion colt at year's end.

But \$29.40 upset winner **Angel of Empire** (Classic Empire) at least fits the bill as a hard-trying underdog you can root for.

On a GI Kentucky Derby trail studded with million-dollar horses, the winner of the Feb. 18 nine-furlong leg of the Fair Grounds sophomore series is a Pennsylvania foal who was bred by Forgotten Land Investment and Black Diamond Equine.

He RNA'd for \$32,000 at KEENOV, then hammered for \$70,000 at KEESEP for owner Albaugh Family Stables.

Angel of Empire's only two previous victories had come at Horseshoe Indianapolis, although he had most recently finished second, beaten three lengths, in the Oaklawn stakes named after the most prolific Pennsylvania-bred of all time, Smarty Jones. Congratulations if you managed to sniff out Angel of Empire one week ago, when he closed at 112-1 odds in Pool 4 of the Derby Future Wager. *Cont. p3*

BAFFERT'S GOTHAM NOMS SWITCHED TO NEW TRAINERS by Bill Finley

The nominees for the Mar. 4 GIII Gotham S. at Aqueduct include four horses that have been under the care of Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert, but were nominated under the names of new trainers.

Baffert is banned from running in this year's GI Kentucky Derby and any horse under the care of a trainer suspended by Churchill Downs must be moved to a new barn by Feb. 28 in order to earn Derby qualifying points. On Friday, a U.S. District Judge ruled against Baffert as he sought a temporary injunction that would have allowed him to enter the Derby. Baffert was also banned by the New York Racing Association, but its one-year suspension ended Jan. 26.

The news that Baffert-trainees are switching stables for a possible run in the Gotham was first reported by the *Daily Racing Form*'s David Grening. *Cont. p6*

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DUBAWI SIRES 250TH STAKES WINNER

When Lake Lucerne took out Saturday's Albert M. Stall Memorial S. at the Fair Grounds in Louisiana, he became the 250th worldwide stakes winner for Dalham Hall Stud's legendary Dubawi (Ire).



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GIII Southwest S. runner-up Red Route One (Gun Runner) breezes 4f in :50.40 at Oaklawn Sunday morning ahead of the Feb. 25 GII Rebel S. Coady Photography

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The Week in Review (cont. from p1)

Trained by Brad Cox and ridden by Luis Saez, Angel of Empire capitalized on an old-fashioned pace meltdown to win by a length in 1:51.47. That equates to the slowest clocking of the Risen Star in five runnings (including a spilt division in 2020) since that stakes was extended to nine furlongs from 1 1/16 miles. The Beyer Speed Figure was 87, two points higher than the colt's runner-up effort in his previous start.

Even before the starter sprang the latch, the projected hot pace on paper loomed as the \$400,000 question in the Risen Star.

The speed-centric 'TDN Rising Star' Victory Formation (Tapwrit), the 9-5 favorite, was drawn way out wide in post 13. West Coast invader Harlocap (Justify), the 7-1 third choice, rolled into New Orleans with plenty of "1s" in his running lines. The pesky 25-1 Determinedly (Cairo Prince) was drawn inside of both those rivals. He was supposed to be aiming for shorter races as per his connections, but when no suitable race could be found, trainer Mark Casse decided to give him a shot at 1 1/8 miles, with an aim on letting him rip right to the front and see how far he could lead the field.

Those three scrambled for supremacy just necks apart the first time under the finish wire in the early-evening New Orleans darkness. By the time they hit the backstretch, Determinedly had the lead by 1 1/2 lengths, with Harlocap and Victory Formation both backing off a beat, but still very much fixated on the frontrunner.

At this juncture, Saez was content to keep Angel of Empire parked at the fence. But by the half-mile pole, he sensed the pace would be too taxing for the leaders to maintain, and he began slicing through the pack while maneuvering off the inside.

"The key with him is to follow the right horse," Saez would say post-win. "We got lucky. When he got to the three-eighths pole, I was pretty loaded. When we got to the top of the straight, I checked if I had the horse. He just kept going, and I just tried to go with him."

There aren't too many 14-horse fields in the Derby prep series, so it was particularly intriguing to see a line of about eight horses still in it to win it by the upper portion of the long Fair Grounds home straight.

But by the final sixteenth, most of those contenders had faded away like exhausted Mardi Gras revelers, and Angel of Empire chugged by them all with a well-timed late run.

While Angel of Empire's winning final time was slow compared to previous Risen Star runnings, his final furlong of :12.95 was respectable compared to this year's peers. There have been only three nine-furlong Derby qualifying points races so far in 2022-23, and his effort represents the only sub :13 clocking.



State of the Sophomore Division

So we've now reached the 75-day mark to the first Saturday in May. Here's how the state of the 3-year-old division shakes out.

Two clear leaders sit atop the sophomore totem pole.

Depending on who's doing the ranking, 'TDN Rising Stars'

Arabian Knight (Uncle Mo) and Forte (Violence) are one-two in either order on almost everyone's list.

I've got Arabian Knight slotted on top in the newest installment of the TDN Derby Top 12 that will be published in Wednesday's edition. He's occupied the kingpin spot since the rankings initially got published at the start of January, based at first on his blowout MSW unveiling on the Breeders' Cup undercard, then bolstered by his commanding, control-seizing performance in the slop in the GIII Southwest S.



Arabian Knight | Coady Photography

You can certainly make a strong case for Forte, too, although you'd have to do so without the benefit of having seen him race yet this year. His clout is based on a trio of Grade I wins at age two, including one in the deepest key race of the division in 2022 (the Breeders' Futurity S. at Keeneland) and another in his Breeders' Cup Juvenile smackdown that earned him the Eclipse Award championship.

Right behind the top two, 'TDN Rising Star' Tapit Trice (Tapit) has arguably delivered the single most empathic divisional win since January, an eight-length blowout in a one-turn-mile, first-level allowance at Gulfstream Feb. 4. That assertive effort whets the appetite for what this gray might accomplish when his distance-friendly Tapit (out of a Dunkirk mare) pedigree gets tasked with a two-turn assignment.

But beyond that? The ice remains thin on the Derby prospect pond in late February. There are plenty of horses clustered close together who have posted singularly impressive efforts and could be on the verge of further breakout races.

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Midlantic May 2YO's-in-Training grad captures her first GSW in **Royal Delta S. (G3)** on **DIRT** at Gulfstream Park on 2/18.

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But most of them are very light on actual racing experience, making it a dicey proposition to try and embrace any of them with confidence at this juncture.

In general, the balance of power is centered in Florida (particularly for Todd Pletcher's stable) and California (where a court order from last week will likely result in a number of high-level Bob Baffert trainees shifting to other conditioners).

The Derby preps at Fair Grounds, Aqueduct, and Tampa haven't produced any explosive, top-tier contenders yet. Although Oaklawn's Southwest S. yielded Arabian Knight, he's not nominated to this Saturday's GII Rebel S.

Thinking 'Long Range'

Long Range Toddy (Take Charge Indy) earned a footnote in Derby history back in 2019 when, as a 54-1 longshot already beginning to fade on the far turn, he was forced to check sharply as part of chain-reaction crowding that the Churchill Downs stewards deemed to have been caused by first-across-the-wire Maximum Security (New Year's Day).

That incident resulted in the first and only disqualification of a Derby winner for an in-race foul when Maximum Security was placed behind Long Range Toddy, who ended up 17th under the wire.

Now, nearly four years later, Long Range Toddy is one of only three remaining horses from that oddball 2019 Derby to still be racing. (Can you name the other two? Answer below.)

But his streak of longevity is striking for what he hasn't done since before the Derby--win a race.



Long Range Toddy gallops in 2019 | Coady Photography

It's also amazing that the 7-year-old has garnered \$1,194,670 in lifetime purse earnings without ever being sent postward as the betting favorite in 35 lifetime races.



On Saturday, in the GIII Razorback H. at Oaklawn, Long Range Toddy checked in sixth at 54-1 odds, adding another \$9,000 to his bankroll.

For a large chunk of his career Long Range Toddy was campaigned by his breeder, Willis Horton. Owner Zenith Racing acquired him in the spring of 2022.

Ironically, the horse who beat him in the Razorback, **Last Samurai** (Malibu Moon), is owned by the limited liability company Willis Horton Racing (Horton himself died at 82 last October).

Long Range Toddy last visited the winner's circle in the 2019 Rebel S. at Oaklawn, which was two prep races prior to his brush with infamy in the Kentucky Derby.

The other two alums from the 2019 Derby to still be in training are **Tax** (Arch), who won a Delaware stakes last summer off a 1 1/2-year layoff (he's now based out of Palm Meadows with one race at Gulfstream this year), and **Gray Magician** (Graydar), who on Feb. 8 won a \$25,000 claimer at Turf Paradise for his first victory since Oct. 10, 2019.

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Baffert's Gotham Noms Switched to New Trainers (cont. from p1)

The Baffert Gotham nominees are the Amr Zedan-owned pair of Arabian Lion (Justify) and Hejazi (Bernardini), as well as Carmel Road (Quality Road) and Fort Warren (Curlin). The latter two are owned by partnerships consisting of SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stable LLC and others. Arabian Lion, Hejazi and Carmel Road were nominated under the name of Tim Yakteen. Fort Warren was nominated under the name of Brittany Russell. It was not clear who, if any of the Baffert/Yakteen/Russell horses, will start in the Gotham.

With Baffert also suspended from running in the 2022 Kentucky Derby, the two starters in the race from his barn, Taiba (Gun Runner) and Messier (Empire Maker), competed for Yatkeen, a former assistant to Baffert.

Several other Baffert trained 3-year-old colts will also likely be on the move within the next few days. Nominations for the GII San Felipe S. at Santa Anita, also to be run Mar. 4, close Thursday and any horse from the Baffert stable with eyes on a possible Kentucky Derby start will need to find a new home.

The GII Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream will also be run Mar. 4. Baffert nominated **Hard to Figure** (Hard Spun), the runner-up in the GIII Robert B. Lewis S. According to Grening's report, Baffert was listed as the trainer on the nomination.



Hejazi | Benoit

Plans for **Arabian Knight** (Uncle Mo) and **Cave Rock** (Arrogate), generally considered the top two 3-year-olds in the Baffert stable, have yet to be announced.

Baffert is expected to have starters in Saturday's GII Rebel S. at Oaklawn. All of his nominees to that race are listed under his own name. But the Rebel takes place before the Feb. 28 deadline.

The Gotham starters were not the first 3-year-olds from the Baffert barn to find a new home. After breaking his maiden for Baffert Jan. 22 at Santa Anita, **Harlocap** (Justify) ran for Steve Asmussen in Saturday's GII Risen Star S. He finished sixth.

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PERRIERE INCHES CLOSER TO DERBY BERTH

IN HYACINTH by Alan Carasso

With soon-to-be-retired jockey Yuichi Fukunaga at the controls, **Perriere (Jpn)** (Henny Hughes) came to life entering the final furlong of Sunday's Listed Hyacinth S. at Tokyo Racecourse and proved far too strong for his rivals in picking up 30 points on the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby.

Winner of his first two trips to the races, Perriere was made the 11-10 favorite for the Hyacinth in his first start since a third to G3 Saudi Derby hopeful Derma Sotogake (Jpn) (Mind Your Biscuits) in the second leg of the series, the Listed Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun at Kawasaki Dec. 14.



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Alertly away from gate three, the blinkered bay colt hugged the fence in the second flight of horses and was patiently handled for the run into the final 600 meters. Steered out into the four path, Perriere had aim on the front-runners at the furlong grounds and came away in the final sixteenth of a mile to score by 1 1/2 lengths (video, SC 3). Z Lien (Jpn) (Maurice {Jpn}) rallied for second at 51-1, while 45-1 chance **Eclogite (Jpn)** (Henny Hughes) nosed out second wagering choice Great Sand **Sea** (Into Mischief) for third. The final time for the one-turn mile on fast dirt was 1:37.2. With 36 points, Perriere is the leader in the series, with the Fukuryu S. (allowance) over nine furlongs at Nakayama Mar. 25 the final race.



Perriere | Horsephotos

Perriere is campaigned by Yuji Hasegawa, whose name has graced American bloodstock sales for the last several years. He purchased Vanishing Point (Tapit)--a full-brother to two-time Eclipse Award winner Unique Bella--for \$1.5 million at KEESEP in 2019 and paid \$750,000 for the Arrogate colt Poison Arrow at the same event in 2020. Hasegawa also races Open Fire (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}--Go Maggie Go), recent runner-up in the G3 Kisaragi Sho and a candidate for this year's Japanese Classics.

Purchased for ¥11 million at the 2021 Hokkaido Summer Yearling Sale, Perriere is the 43rd worldwide stakes winner for Henny Hughes and his 16th in Japan. The colt's third dam is twotime European champion Ski Paradise (Lyphard), winner in France of the G1 Prix du Moulin over a mile and runner-up to Lure in the 1993 GI Breeders' Cup Mile at Santa Anita.



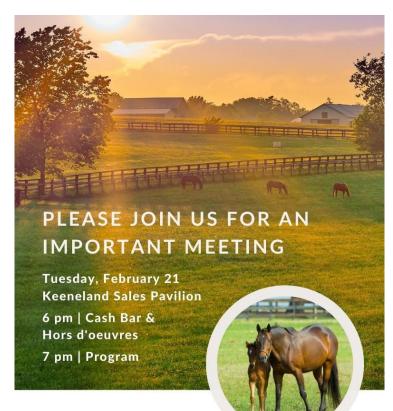


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PAUL MANGANARO

With the breeding season underway, the TDN staff is continuing the '2023 Mating Plans' series, presented by Spendthrift Farm, to find out what stallions breeders have chosen for their mares this year, and why. This week Paul Manganaro talked us through his plans for the year. Manganaro said that he owns most of his mares in partnership with a group of close friends.

DREAM YOUR DREAMS (m, 10, Tapit--Takesmybreathaway, by Gone West) to be bred to Into Mischief

I have a long history with this mare's family. I owned her dam with my father. She's an elegant, two-turn type of filly who didn't show much on the racetrack, but has a genetic pool that is second to none. Her female line goes back to the great Numbered Account (Buckpasser) and she is a half-sister to Grade I winner Frost Giant (Giant's Causeway).

I was looking to put a little more speed and substance into her and thought that using the old Bull Hancock theory--breed the best to the best and hope for the best--really pertained to this mating.

SMUGNESS (m, 4, Gun Runner--Claire's Song, by Unbridled's Song) to be bred to Street Sense

Smugness is another one that I am very familiar with her family. She's from the family of GISW Hard Not to Love (Hard Spun) and champion Wonder Gadot (Medaglia d'Oro). We purchased her third dam Hard Knocker (Raja Baba) as a yearling. We raced her and produced several foals out of her, including Smugness's second dam Chimichurri (Elusive Quality).

This mare will be going to Street Sense. My good friend of 40 years John Williams taught me a lot about the importance of good conformation. Now that I'm doing a lot more racing, I realize that you have to have a sound structure to have a chance, so I place a lot of emphasis on that aspect. This is a wonderful physical match combined with the fact that this is her first foal and I always like to use a proven stallion with a young mare.



ROADRUNNER'S HONOR (m, 6, Honor Code--Wild Idle, by Seeking the Gold) to be bred to Justify

This Grade III-placed mare is from a strong female family. Her second dam is 1996 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies champion Storm Song (Summer Squall). She has a Munnings yearling filly and is in foal to Maxfield for this year.

This year she will go to Justify. This mating breeds type-to-type on physical and I believe that Justify is one of the future stars of the stallion shed. With a \$100,000 stud fee this year, I'm hoping that by the time she drops her foal, he is worth substantially more than that.



Graded stakes producer On My Way and her 2021 Vino Rosso colt photo courtesy Paul Manganaro

ON MY WAY (m, 17, Giant's Causeway--It's Our Time, by Seeking the Gold) to be bred to Jackie's Warrior

This mare comes from a deep Manganaro family. My family purchased her second dam Leo's Lucky Lady (Seattle Slew) as a yearling, raced her and bred everything out of her. We kept a few of her daughters including It's Our Time, the dam of On My Way.

We sold On My Way as a yearling and then I bought her back two years ago. She was in foal to Vino Rosso at the time and she was already the dam of GSW King Zachary (Curlin). We sold the Vino Rosso colt for more than we bought the mare for and now she has a Quality Road yearling and is in foal to Twirling Candy.

We chose Jackie's Warrior for her this year. This is another mating that matches up really well physically. I gave it a five-out-of-five rating. This family tends to need some speed and if Jackie's Warrior can't provide speed, I don't know who can.

ENCHANTED JASMINE (m, 9, War Chant--Sharaiji Blossom, by Saint Ballado) to be bred to Olympiad

We purchased this mare at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton February

Sale as a maiden mare. She's a half to Grade II winner Dothraki Queen (Pure Prize) and under the second dam, her pedigree includes a champion in Hong Kong and a champion grass mare in Canada.

We are going to breed her to Olympiad. I bought a share in Olympiad. With his physical presence, durability and consistency, I think he'll be a really good match for this mare.

JANE MAST (m, 4, Distorted Humor--Coming Attraction, by Tapit) to be bred to Bolt d'Oro

Jane Mast had a world of talent. She ran twice, including a very impressive maiden win at Saratoga. Unfortunately an injury forced her to retire early. She's from a superb Phipps family. Her third dam is My Flag (Easy Goer).

We're excited to have the opportunity to breed her to Bolt d'Oro. It's a good match on pedigree and physical. With the start he got off to in his freshman year, we're hoping that he can provide her that early development and class.



Roadrunner's Honor is in foal to Maxfield and will visit Justify this year courtesy Paul Manganaro

RED ROSES TOO (m, 4, Nyquist--Wishful Splendor, by Smart Strike) to be bred to Not This Time

We purchased this mare's second dam Kaylem Ho (Salem) at the end of her career. We bred her to Smart Strike, which produced this mare's dam Wishful Splendor, who was a stakes winner herself and produced Grade II winner Juanita (Mineshaft).

Red Roses Too is currently in foal to Maclean's Music and for this year we are going to go with Not This Time. It's a really good physical match. There's a lot of soundness and consistency in this female family. Wishful Splendor had 14 foals to race and 12 winners, including several stakes winners. Kaylem Ho had 15 winners from as many to race. *Cont.*

Mating Plans/Red Roses Too (cont.)

We're breeding their soundness and consistency with the quality and class that Not This Time can provide.

SO HONEST (m, 8, To Honor and Serve--French Park, by Ecton Park) to be bred to Nashville

So Honest comes from the family of MGISW Palace (City Zip). She's one of our better-looking mares and is the winner of over \$64,000. We've had a little bit of bad luck with her. She came up empty in her first year, then she had a City of Light that is now two, and then she was empty the next year. This year she is in foal to Nyquist and will be going back to first-year sire Nashville.

I didn't really plan on considering Nashville for her, but when I was at WinStar and they pulled him out of the stall, I knew I had to make it happen. If he can reproduce himself physically, he will be very popular in the commercial market. I don't think you can train speed into a horse. You have to provide it through the genetic pool and this horse should do that for her.

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

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EYEING CLOVER TARGETS GOTHAM

Ten Strike Racing's **Eyeing Clover** (Lookin at Lucky), unbeaten in two lifetime starts, could make his stakes debut in the Mar. 4 GIII Gotham S. at Aqueduct. The Brad Cox trainee opened his career with a 1 1/2-length victory going six furlongs at Oaklawn Park Dec. 31 and aired by 9 3/4 lengths going that same distance in a Fair Grounds allowance Jan. 28 (video).

A win in the one-mile Gotham could earn Eyeing Clover a trip back to Oaklawn for the Apr. 1 GI Arkansas Derby, according to Ten Strike co-managing partner Marshall Gramm.

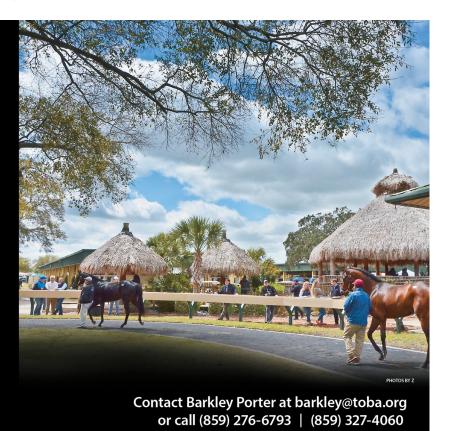
"The core of our partners are Arkansans and we wanted to use this step towards the Arkansas Derby," Gramm said. "That's a race we'd really love to win and participate in. For us, the dream race is the Arkansas Derby and the Gotham seems like a good stepping stone for it. We didn't want to quite jump up from an allowance to first time routing in the [GII] Rebel [at Oaklawn Park] next week from a timing standpoint and that race looks really tough. But the Gotham looks like it could be a really competitive race as well."

Eyeing Clover, who was purchased by bloodstock agent Liz Crow on behalf of Ten Strike for \$55,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September sale, is a half-brother to speedy graded stakes winner Heavenhasmynikki (Majestic Warrior). *Cont.*



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Eyeing Clover (cont.)



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"We've been huge Lookin At Lucky fans and we think this one is going to get better as the distances get longer, though his female family is fairly sprint-based," Gramm said. "We're excited about coming to New York for the Gotham and excited about the horse's future. They bred a speedy female family to Lookin At Lucky and it's given us an early developer. We have every reason to believe, based on the sire, that he should improve going longer and we hope the Gotham is that first step towards the Arkansas Derby."

Gramm continued, "We've been working with Liz and she buys all of our yearlings and 2-year-olds. This was one that really jumped out at her. It was a fast-looking Lookin At Lucky and she knew our affinity for the stallion and loved the female family as well. Hopefully, putting those two together can put us on the trail."

Eyeing Clover worked five furlongs in 1:00.40 (4/48) at Fair Grounds Saturday.

Cox could also be represented in the Gotham by **Slip Mahoney** (Arrogate), who broke his maiden going one mile at Aqueduct Jan. 21. Owned by Gold Square LLC, the gray colt worked five furlongs in 1:01.00 (3/18) over Belmont's training track Saturday.

The Gotham is the penultimate New York prep on the Road to the Kentucky Derby and awards the top-five finishers points based off a 50-20-15-10-5 scale. The nine-furlong Arkansas Derby is a 100-40-30-20-10 Kentucky Derby qualifier.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A TRIBUTE TO AVERY WHISMAN

by Justin Stygles

The racetrack can be a special place.

In the last year alone, I've been fortunate enough to see some wonderful things, from talking with Barbara Livingston and Sarah Andrew at morning workouts, to watching William Buick win races at Newmarket's July Festival and again at Saratoga. I would argue that one of my most memorable days of racing was a reggae-filled afternoon during the Joe Hirsch Turf Invitational card last October at the Belmont at Aqueduct meet.

Until Saturday.

The Winter Festival at Laurel Park was set up to be a festive race day, complete with activities for kids, Mardi Gras, and \$900,000 in stakes races. That was enough to perk my interest. Just a few days before the Winter Festival, 1/ST racing announced a tribute to Avery Whisman. I felt a need to attend. Fighting mental health struggles is incomprehensibly difficult. Attending would be an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than myself, as they say. Enough so, that I left work, in Maine and traveled overnight to make the 12:25 post time. To be honest, I didn't expect much. I just wanted to be in attendance. I knew there would be black armbands and a moment of silence. Perhaps a few jockeys would stand in the winner's circle during the moment of silence.

Unassumingly, I ventured on to the apron for the post-parade for the fifth race. I made my way over to the winner's circle in anticipation of the events that would follow.

Turns out I wasn't the only one. Either a lot of people also gathered around to show their respect, or this was going to be a much bigger event.

Before the race began, standing near the winner's circle, I noticed a woman crying and holding a child. I asked her if by chance she was related to Avery. Indeed, she was. I asked her if I could tell her a small story when the race was over. Surprisingly, after the race, she turned to me. I said to her, with tears welling, "Avery saved a life today." The rest of the conversation will forever remain unspoken, but she needed to know that he made a difference today.

The event was huge! Throngs of people flooded the main track. It seemed like the entire crowd filtered down the winner's circle steps. A few near me started talking about the difficulties of our own mental health recoveries. A grace perhaps, since that was one of the reasons people showed up. If a community of horse people and racetrack employees could constitute a family, then Avery had a very large family—one in which everyone at the track wanted, or was, a part of, if even for a few moments.

Letter to the Editor (cont.)



Owner-trainer Norman 'Lynn' Cash presented Eastern Bay's saddlecloth to the Whisman family. "It just seemed like this is the way the day should end. For Avery," Cash said. "Eastern Bay has never been up like that before... Maybe he had a little help getting pushed down the lane by the powers that be. What a special day." | MJC

It was almost too perfect, then, when Eastern Bay held his position to win easily in this year's edition of the GIII General George. The 13-time winner looked as clean as a wire-to-wire Derby winner as he crossed the line. Again, floods of people swarmed the winner's circle. Tears flowed, mixed with smiles as Avery Whisman's highest earner came back for the photo. Some were visibly overwhelmed. And why not? Some things are just meant to be. Especially at 7-1.

How fitting. Poetic, perhaps. Nonetheless, how perfect? I'd never been to a race day where a celebration of life was so apparent. All those connected to Avery were surrounded by love, not just from family, but from the patrons who surrounded them, eager to share their love too.

There are no words that can explain to what extent a person will struggle to do what they love most. For Avery, it was horses and riding. For some of us, it's teaching. For others, it's simply trying to be someone important in the eyes of another. Most of that pain is never spoken of for fear of upsetting or losing the ones we love. People find it hard to understand, thus keeping things quiet is even more necessary.

Racing can be a beautiful game. Like our own lives, as much as there is joy, there is also darkness. Avery knew the darkness. Yet, today, on a gorgeous winter afternoon, his light lit up the hearts of every race fan in attendance.

Today was an event that many will hold in their hearts forever.

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NORTH AMERICAN RACING



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

MADDIE MAY S., \$100,000, Aqueduct, 2-19, (S), 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38.44, ft.

1--CAIRO SUGAR, 118, f, 3, by Cairo Prince

1st Dam: Spun Sugar (MGISW, \$929,171), by Awesome Again

2nd Dam: Irish Cherry, by Irish Open 3rd Dam: Eston, by Ancestral (Ire)

(\$6,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG; \$43,000 RNA 2yo '22 WANNYB). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-AP Stable; B-Kaz Hill (NY);T-A. Bedard;

J-A. Wolfsont. \$55,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$123,107.

Mating planned & dam purchased for client by Mike Slezak | BullOTheWoodsStables@gmail.com

2--Les Bon Temps, 123, f, 3, Laoban--Winsanity, by Tapizar. (\$65,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT). O-Lady Sheila Stable, Deuce Greathouse, Cindy Hutson & Brett Setzer; B-Southern Equine Stables, LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$20,000.

IT'S IN THE WATER

3--Sweetest Princess, 118, f, 3, Cairo Prince--Sweet Cause, by Giant's Causeway. (\$60,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-R. A. Hill Stable; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (NY); T-George Weaver. \$12,000.

SGV THOROUGHBREDS GRADUATE

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 3/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 27.75, 1.10, 5.90.

Also Ran: I'mhavingamoment, Luna Loca, Starry Midnight.

After pulling her left front shoe off in the paddock before the race and having it quickly repaired, Cairo Sugar earned her second straight career win and a first stakes victory with an impressive wire-to-wire performance as the longest shot on the board at odds of 27-1. Picking up blinkers for the first time and a new bit off her five-length maiden win a month ago, the New York-bred filly showed the way from the break and through a moderate pace, including a half-mile in :47.39. Though she was briefly challenged by 7-1 chance Luna Loca (Malibu Moon) at the quarter pole, she readily dismissed that rival and continued on to the wire, easily holding even-money favorite Les Bon Temps safe at the finish.

"In her last couple races, she was bearing in down the lane, just getting away from the stick," trainer Alan Bedard said. "We went a little more left-handed and changed the bit on her. We used a straight-mouth bit--it doesn't bend in her mouth and I use that on my other stakes horse [Tic Tic Tic Boom] and it worked wonders for her. I gave it a shot and it looked like it worked wonders today."



Cairo Sugar | Coglianese

Cairo Sugar is the first stakes winner out of MGISW Spun Sugar (Awesome Again). Other notable names in her female family include her full-brother, GISW Daaher, and GISW Constellation (Bellamy Road). She also produced the 2-year-old Sugar's Last Home (Leofric). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

SPRING FEVER S., \$100,000, Santa Anita, 2-19, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.29, ft.

1--ALICE MARBLE, 124, m, 6, Grazen--Unsung Heroine, by More Than Ready. O/B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Philip D'Amato; J-Flavien Prat. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP & MSW 14-6-2-3, \$410,880. *Full to Enola Gray, GSW & GISP, \$585,100.

There From The Start ~ Mating by KATHY BERKEY

2--Taming the Tigress, 122, m, 5, Smiling Tiger--Joeandbetty'sbaby, by Yes It's True. (\$21,000 2yo '20 CTBAJA). O-Mia Familia Racing Stable and Moon S. Han; B-Highlander Racing Stable (CA); T-Librado Barocio. \$20,000.

Nick J. Hines #SargeSelect (* * * N)

3--Eddie's New Dream, 124, m, 5, Square Eddie--Walkingonadream, by Tapit. O/B-Reddam Racing, LLC (CA); T-Ben D. A. Cecil. \$12,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, 3/4, 5 3/4. Odds: 1.00, 5.40, 3.30.

Also Ran: Doris Mae, Chancery Way.

A mark of consistency since coming to the D'Amato barn in early October 2020 after three tries under Steve Miyadi, Alice Marble won three out of four as an older filly against primarily optional-claiming company. She then proceeded to step up into the stakes ranks when she netted both the Wishing Well S. Feb. 26 and Fran's Valentine S. May 28, and also placed in the GII Monrovia S. Apr. 9, all at Santa Anita.

After a third at Del Mar Nov. 26 against optional claimers, she shipped back to Arcadia with another show result Jan. 7, this time in the Sunshine Millions Filly and Mare Turf Sprint S.

Switching to the dirt for the first time in over a year and sent on her way as the even-money favorite in this spot, the homebred raced smoothly along the rail in the second flight as Eddie's New Dream split horses just before the far turn. Winding up before the top of the lane behind the entire field and clearly full of run, the D'Amato trainee finally found her gap past the eighth pole and proved her mirth to win rather easily over Taming the Tigress.

Alice Marble is a full-sister to GIII Wilshire S. winner Enola Gray, who has produced a trio of colts herself. Their dam Unsung Heroine (More Than Ready) is responsible for 11 foals, six of whom are winners. She has visited Grazen each of the past four years. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

INSIGHT Outcomes

8th-Oaklawn, \$103,000, Alw (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 2-19, 3yo, 1m, 1:37.10, ft, 4 lengths.

TWO EAGLES RIVER (g, 3, Cloud Computing--Majestic Island, by Majestic Warrior), a debut winner at Churchill last October, was second behind subsequent Smarty Jones S. winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Victory Formation (Tapwrit) in an optional claimer in Louisville Nov. 26 before a runner-up effort in the Renaissance S. at Oaklawn Dec. 31. He was a well-beaten third behind Grade I-placed Verifying (Justify) when stretched to a mile at this oval last time out Jan. 14. Making his second straight start at a mile, the 6-5 shot broke a half-step slowly from his inside post, but was hustled to the front heading into the first turn. The dark bay gelding was under a snug hold down the backstretch as the quarter went up in :23.36 and the half in :47.94. He skipped further clear approaching the stretch and strode home an unchallenged four-length winner. Even-money favorite Disarm (Gun Runner), making his first start since a sparkling maiden score at Saratoga last August, stalked the pacesetter throughout and attempted to close the gap late, but came home second best. Two Eagles River was a \$32,000 FTKJUL yearling and a \$220,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Majestic Island produced a filly by

Goldencents last year and was bred back to Knicks Go. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-2-1, \$195,700.

O-Mach 1 Racing & Scattered Acres LLC; B-William B. Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman.

🦁 WARRENDALE GRADUATE 🚱

9th-Gulfstream, \$76,200, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 2-19, 4yo/up, 5fT, :55.22, fm, neck.

KANTHARI (c, 4, Kantharos--Ari the Adventurer, by Pioneerof the Nile) was a winner as the post-time favorite when first seen over this same surface and distance Dec. 16, but yielded favoritism here to Hope in Him (Chitu) who shot from the gate and quickly opened up on the field. Kanthari sat two back in third while racing between rivals up the backstretch as Hope in Him blitzed an opening quarter in :20.99. Angled in for a stretch drive, he closed determinedly through traffic inside of the pacesetter and just got up in the shadow of the wire to deny Biz Biz Buzz (Fed Biz) by a neck, while Hope in Him was a nose back in third. A full-brother to Adventurous Lady, MSW, \$143,876, Kanthari has a placed 3-year-old full-brother, Southern Sunset, and a 2-year-old half-brother by Good Magic. Sales History: \$220,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$575,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$79,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-MyRacehorse & Spendthrift Farm LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



8th-Gulfstream, \$75,800, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 2-19, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.37, ft, 3 lengths.

Value of the board in four starts as a 3-year-old, she placed against optional claimers back in south Florida but entered off a lackluster performance in the GII Inside Information S. Jan. 28. A 9-2 shot behind heavy favorite Radio Days (Gun Runner), Diamond Wow had only one rival beat through an opening half in:45.01, but quickly upped the speed from the two path around the turn. Fanned out to the six path at the head of the lane, she carried her momentum into the final furlong to take command and drew off to the line for the three-length win.



Diamond Wow | Lauren King

Restofthestory (Jess's Dream) just out-finished Radio Days for second. Out of a half-sister to MGSW & MGISP Diamond Oops (Lookin At Lucky), Diamond Wow has an unraced 3-year-old half-sister, Diamond Lane (Competitive Edge), and a yearling full-brother. Her dam returned to Lookin At Lucky for another full-sibling in 2023. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 10-3-2-0, \$182,740. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Diamond 100 Racing Club, Amy E. Dunne & Patrick Biancone; B-Diamond 100 Racing Club (KY); T-Patrick L. Biancone.

5th-Aqueduct, \$74,000, (S), Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$45,000), 2-19, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:36.60, ft, 1/2 length.

OVERSTEP (c, 4, Into Mischief--Modest Maven, by Uncle Mo) began his juvenile campaign with an impressive 6 3/4-length win against state-bred company at Belmont Sept. 25 before running second to Shipsational (Midshipman) in the Sleepy Hollow S. Oct. 30. Shutdown for 15 months, he reemerged with a fourlength victory at Aqueduct Jan. 26. Overstep dueled with 9-5 cofavorite Awesome Native (Practical Joke) down the backstretch. The leaders were joined rounding the far turn by the bidding Baldizar (Honor Code). Down the lane, the \$360,000 KEESEP buy showed his mettle as he kept on to put away his rivals past the eighth pole and spurned a late push by Ouster (Outwork). The winner is a half to recent second-place finisher in both the GII Remsen S. and GIII Withers S., Arctic Arrogance (Frosted), who has a full 2-year-old sister in Mo Froze. Modest Maven visited Maclean's Music last year. Sales History: \$360,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$171,550. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Repole Stable & St. Elias; B-Chester & Mary Broman (NY); T-Todd Pletcher.

Purchased by Jacob West Bloodstock

8th-Santa Anita, \$72,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 2-19, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.48, ft, neck.

FAST AND SHINY (f, 3, Bernardini--Spotted Heart {SW, \$167,692}, by Lion Hearted) broke her maiden at first asking over five panels at Del Mar last summer but found Grade I waters too deep when checking in fifth over 20 lengths behind And Tell Me Nolies (Arrogate) in the GI Del Mar Debutante in just her second start. Off the board in her next pair of starts, she rebounded in her first try as a 3-year-old with a third in the GIII Santa Ynez S. last time out Jan. 8. Given a 4-1 shot Sunday with Lasix in her system for the first time, she went to the front to handle the pace making just head of Procrastination (Not This Time). As that challenger faded around the far turn, Good as Gone (Nyquist) took her place and that pair battled on down the stretch in tight quarters with Fast and Shiny prevailing by a neck. A claim of foul and a steward's inquiry into the events of the stretch did not change the order of finish. From the family of champion female sprinter Judy the Beauty (Ghostzapper), Fast and Shiny's only younger sibling is a yearling colt by Munnings. Sales History: \$150,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSP, 6-2-0-1, \$133,700. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson & Paul Weitman; B-Douglas Scharbauer (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

Hidden Brook Foaled, Raised & Sold

4th-Sam Houston Race, \$36,000, Alw, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 2-19, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.51, ft, 3/4 length.

ALTO ROAD (c, 3, Army Mule--Field of Flowers, by City Zip) successfully returned to allowance company and the main track after a dismal turf experiment in the Texas Turf Mile S. a month ago to win here by three-quarters of a length. The colt also returned to his preferred running style and showed the way right from the break and dueled early with 5-2 chance Straight Luck (Straight Fire) for more than three furlongs. He briefly shook free and passed a half-mile in :46.16 and despite the late charge form Perfect Prank (Practical Joke) held on gamely to prevail under little more than a hand ride at odds of 7-2. Alto Road is the first foal for his unraced dam, who also produced the 2-year-old colt Frosty the Giant (Frosted), an unnamed filly by Kantharos and visited Midshipman last year. Sales History: \$12,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-2-0, \$90,210.

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O-Champion Racing Stable; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Ronnie E.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Aqueduct, \$77,600, Msw, 2-19, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.18, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.

PROMISEHER AMERICA (f, 3, American Pharoah--

Promisedyouheaven, by Unbridled's Song) faced a wide trip in what was a debut eighth sprinting at Aqueduct Dec. 15, but notched a second-place finish after adding a furlong next out Jan. 15. Floating upwards toward 4-1 and facing four others, the chestnut filly overcame a misstep at the break to run off the speed down the backstretch. Chasing a trio of leaders that included favorite Undoubtedly (Blame) around the far turn, the Ray Handal trainee got in gear to the outside and unleashed a barrage of speed to win going away by 6 1/4 lengths over the tardy Avant (Uncle Mo). GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint heroine Mizdirection (Mizzen Mast) is a half-sister to the winner's second dam Hurricane Bernie. She has a yearling filly by Curlin, while being bred to Constitution last year. Sales History: \$75,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$60,638. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Hoffman Thoroughbreds & T. McCrocklin; B-R. & L. Low (KY); T-Raymond Handal.

5th-Gulfstream, \$71,400, Msw, 2-19, 3yo, 5fT, :55.84, fm, 1/2 length.

GOLDEN NUGGET (c, 3, Mendelssohn--Tipping Point, by **Speightstown**), who opened his career with a pair of wellbeaten efforts going six furlongs at Fair Grounds this winter, cut back in distance and tansitioned to the turf to graduate in his third career start. The winner stalked the pace in the early going, content to sit behind the early flight while traveling closest to the rail parked in the two path all the way up the backstretch. As the pacesetting duo of Monet Never (Ire) (No Nay Never) and Portofino (Speightster) made their way around the bend, the winner was guided off the rail and out into the center of the course to challenge and was breathing down the early leader's neck as he passed the quarter pole. Portofino held on to the lead into deep stretch, posting a half-mile in a quick :44.28, but could not hold on to the lead as Golden Nugget surged past his tiring rival in the last few strides to win by a halflength at odds of 9-2. His dam also produced last year's Rainbow S. winner Blame J D (Blame), a 2-year-old colt named Handsome Herb (Practical Joke), an unnamed yearling colt by Bolt d'Oro and she's currently carrying a full-sibling to Golden Nugget. Sales History: \$180,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$350,000 2yo '22

OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$42,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Northstar Racing; B-James Matheney (KY); T-Brendan Walsh.

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2nd-Laurel, \$53,860, Msw, 2-19, 3yo, 6f, 1:11.64, ft, 1/2 length. LEONIDS (g, 3, Midnight Storm--Areolite {SP}, by Tapit) faded to fifth after contesting the early pace over Turfway's all-weather surface when debuted Jan. 20. The 9-5 chalk for his first try over the dirt, the gelding was once again up on the pace while racing outside of a rival up the backstretch. With plenty left as Ruffner (Always Dreaming) dropped back into the far turn, Leonids was put to a right-handed ride down the lane and kept on, holding off Full Irish (Irish War Cry) to win by a half-length. The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister, Tharolite (Kantharos), and a yearling half-sister by Maclean's Music. Areolite returned to Kantharos for the 2023 season. Sales History: \$19,000 RNA Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$55,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$32,600. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Commonwealth New Era Racing; B-Hill N Dale Equine Holdings, Inc (KY); T-Todd M. Beattie.



6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$24,000, Msw, 2-19, 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.33, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

SILVER PEAK (c, 3, Quality Road--Dreamologist {GSW, \$203,710}, by Tapit) debuted over the synthetic track at Woodbine Nov. 13 and got up to be second when traveling 6 1/2 furlongs. Given the stretch out and the change of surface Sunday, the gray jumped from the blocks as the narrow 7-5 second choice and dove to the front to lead narrowly into the first turn. Showing the way through opening fractions of :23.63 and :48.85, Silver Peak held his position up the backstretch as Life At Sea (West Coast) stayed a length off of him in second. The top pair stayed one-two as they swung past the quarter pole, with Silver Peak maintaining his advantage down the stretch, keeping Life At Sea at bay to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Out of GIII Las Cienegas S. winner Dreamologist--herself a daughter of champion 2-year-old filly Dreaming of Anna (Rahy) and halfsister to the late GISP & sire Fast Anna (Medaglia d'Oro)--Silver Peak's third dam is a half-sister to champion grass horse and leading sire Kitten's Joy (El Prado (Ire)). Silver Peak has a yearling half-brother by Curlin while Dreamologist visited leading sire Into Mischief for a 2023 foal. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$25,166. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. O/B-LNJ Foxwoods (KY); T-Josie Carroll.

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IN THE UAE:

Made In Dubai, g, 4, More Than Ready--Goose Martini, by Bernardini. Meydan, 2-19, Maiden, AED82,500, 1600mT, 1:37.13, gd. O-Sh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum. B-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Salem bin Ghadayer. *145,000gns HRA '21 TATAPR. VIDEO

Lake Causeway, g, 6, Creative Cause--Lake Squared, by Friends Lake. Meydan, 2-19, Hcp., AED87,500, 1400m, 1:25.18, ft. O-John Walter Moraes. B-Brian Kahn & Atlas Farm LLC (PA). T-Bhupat Seemar. *\$42,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; €30,000 RNA 2yo '19 ARQMAY. VIDEO

IN JAPAN:

Lemon Pop, h, 5, Lemon Drop Kid. See 'TDN Europe'

IN SINGAPORE:

Benbo, c, 3, Midshipman--Word Association (SP), by Benchmark. Kranji, 2-19, Open Maiden, 1200m (AWT), 1:12.12. B-McKenzie Bloodstock (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$13,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. VIDEO



IN HONG KONG:

Atullibigeal (Aus), g, 4, **Street Boss**. See 'TDN Europe--Australian-Bred Winners'



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

2023 Stud Fees Listed

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000 209 foals of racing age/15 winners/4 black-type winners 2-Santa Anita, 3:59 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Castle Island, 3-1 \$440,000 KEE SEP vrl

Frank Conversation (Quality Road), Rockridge Stud 63 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Aqueduct, 3:22 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Bandulu Queen, 20-1 \$1,000 RNA EAS DEC wnl

Good Magic (Curlin), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$50,000 237 foals of racing age/31 winners/7 black-type winners 6-Parx Racing, 2:16 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Bruno Barber Girl, 6-1 \$35,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$47,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$30,000 OBS APR 2yo

Good Samaritan (Harlan's Holiday), WinStar Farm, \$7,500 172 foals of racing age/26 winners/1 black-type winner 5-Aqueduct, 3:22 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Good Accelebrate, 7-2 \$23,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$18,000 EAS MAY 2yo 5-Aqueduct, 3:22 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Harlan's Bond, 8-1 \$22,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$45,000 EAS OCT yrl 2-Santa Anita, 3:59 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Xander, 12-1 \$40,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$100,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$295,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday), Northview Stallion Station 155 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Parx Racing, 2:16 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Elevenmonthslater, 5-1

6-Parx Racing, 2:16 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Flirting, 7-2 \$16,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$65,000 EAS OCT yrl; \$120,000 EAS MAY 2yo

National Flag (Speightstown), Blazing Meadows Farm 38 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners 9-Mahoning Valley, 4:32 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Kiss Valentina, 8-1

Tapwrit (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000 176 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners 2-Santa Anita, 3:59 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Dazzlemesilver, 12-1 \$15,000 FTK OCT yrl

West Coast (Flatter), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000 198 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners 4-Laurel, 1:57 p.m. EST, Aoc 1 1/16m, Circling the Drain, 7-5 \$45,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl



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STAKES RESULTS:

DUST COMMANDER S., \$122,525, Turfway, 2-18, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:42.75, ft.

1--OCEAN ATLANTIQUE, 122, g, 6, American Pharoah--Tare Green, by Giant's Causeway. (\$275,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; €1,100,000 2yo '19 ARQMA; \$180,000 4yo '21 FTKHRA). O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-Indian Creek (KY); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Walter A. Rodriguez. \$74,616. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Fr, 21-4-4-2, \$276,120.

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- 2--Camp Hope, 120, h, 5, Summer Front--Praising, by Pulpit. (\$55,000 RNA Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL). O-Walking L Thoroughbreds, LLC; B-Bret Jones (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek. \$24,360.
- 3--Beatbox, 122, h, 5, Pioneerof the Nile--Magical World, by Distorted Humor. (\$2,100,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$70,000 3yo '21 KEENOV). O-Rob Comestro & Jeff Ganje; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux. \$12,180.

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Margins: 5 1/4, NO, 3HF. Odds: 8.92, 11.76, 1.69.

ENCHANTRESS S., (NB) \$100,000, Sunland, 2-19, (S), 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40.80, gd.

- 1--DOER NOT A FAKER, 121, f, 3, by Diabolical--Complete Package, by Boundary. O-J. Kirk & Judy Robison; B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison & Downstream Racing, LLC (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Luis A. Fuentes. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$89,347. *Full to That's the Idea, MSW, \$291,275.
- 2--Crafty Money, 121, f, 3, Conquest Mo Money--Songcraft, by Mr. Groush. (\$18,000 RNA 2yo '22 TTAAPR). O-Judge Lanier Racing, LLC; B-McKenna Thoroughbreds LLC (NM); T-Nancy

Summers. \$20,000.

3--Pandora Who, 121, f, 3, Comfort--Lover's Dream, by Jump Start. O/B-Sam E. & Sammy L. Stevens (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$10,000.

Margins: NK, 8, 3/4. Odds: 1.70, 10.30, 26.70.

EL DORADO SHOOTER S., \$76,350, Golden Gate Fields, 2-18, (S), 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.15, ft.

- 1--SEE THROUGH IT, 125, g, 6, Curlin to Mischief--Crystal House, by Chester House. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Belico Racing LLC & Lizbeth Medina; B-Edward Allred (CA); T-Milton G. Pineda; J-Brayan Pena. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 22-6-4-4, \$227,754.
- 2--**Top Harbor**, 125, h, 5, Harbor the Gold--Reba Is Tops, by He's Tops. O/B-Eric Schweiger, Gordy Jarnig & Kenny Marshall (CA); T-Tim McCanna. \$15,000.
- 3--**Highland Ghost**, 125, c, 4, Shaman Ghost--Wee Highland Lass, by Include. O/B-Highland Yard, LLC (CA); T-O. J. Jauregui. \$9,000.

Margins: 3/4, 2 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 9.50, 1.60, 15.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

2nd-Oaklawn, \$106,000, (S), 2-19, (C), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.51, ft, neck.

MACHO RONNIE (g, 5, Macho Rocket--Ide Rather Be Me, by Ide) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-2, \$107,470. O-Joseph C. Longtin; B-Denver Thornton (AR); T-Burl D. McBride.

7th-Aqueduct, \$84,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 2-19, 4yo/up, 1 3/16m, 1:59.94, ft, 1 length.

CURLIN'S WISDOM (c, 4, Curlin--Whisper Wisdom, by Rockport Harbor) Lifetime Record: SP, 17-5-5-4, \$399,600. O-Martin Zaretsky; B-Pine Ridge Stables LTD (NY); T-Linda Rice. *\$255,000 RNA Ylg '20 FTKSEL; \$210,000 RNA Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$310,000 RNA 2yo '21 EASMAY.

2nd-Santa Anita, \$80,850, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 2-19, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:21.89, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

HOLDEN THE LUTE (g, 6, Midnight Lute--Casino Gold, by Proud Citizen) Lifetime Record: 29-6-9-2, \$319,700. O-L. Drummond, P. Schwartz & J. Xitco; B-M. Pegram, K. Watson & Paul Weitman (KY); T-Mark Glatt. *Full to Gimme Da Lute, MGSW, \$627,560.

7th-Turfway, \$66,600, 2-18, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10.61, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

LAUGH AND PLAY (f, 4, Into Mischief--Playful Humor, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-1, \$170,302.

O-Paradise Farms Corp.; B-R. S. Evans (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.

*\$140,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP.

8th-Delta Downs, \$43,000, (S), 2-18, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:41.65, ft, 6 3/4 lengths.

CALCULATED (c, 4, Klimt--Dos Lunas {GSP, \$154,039}, by Hennessy) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$52,980. O-Mojica Stables, Inc.; B-Georgia Farms Inc. (LA); T-Edith A. Mojica. *\$11,000 RNA Ylg '20 OBSWIN; \$47,000 Ylg '20 ESLYRL; \$24,000 RNA 3yo '22 OBSWIN.

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3rd-Golden Gate Fields, \$39,534, 2-19, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:36.76, ft, neck.

CRAZY DREAMS (g, 4, Gallant Son--Carolina Grande, by Sought After) Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-1, \$130,378. O-Patrick Brogan; B-Daehling Ranch (CA); T-Isidro Tamayo. *Full to Carolina Mia, MSP, \$205,352.

3rd-Sunland, \$38,600, 2-19, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.03, gd, 6 lengths.

FOR LOVE NOT MONEY (m, 5, Tiznow--Last Dance for Me, by General Meeting) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-2, \$87,296. O-Stan Munro; B-Al & Saundra Kirkwood (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci. *\$29,000 4yo '22 FTCAYR.

9th-Sam Houston Race Park, \$36,000, 2-19, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:46.16, fm, neck.

WHISKEY NOT WINE (g, 5, Noble Mission {GB}--Enchanted Fortune, by Indian Charlie) Lifetime Record: 23-4-5-5, \$93,666. O-John Rigney; B-Jacalyn M. Tillman LLC (KY); T-Mindy J. Willis. *\$10,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

3rd-Charles Town, \$35,100, 2-18, (NW3LX), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.29, ft, 4 lengths.

DEBIT CARD (g, 4, Will Take Charge--Awesome Gift {Brz}, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, \$87,232. O-Stephen & D. Jackson; B-Stud TNT (KY); T-F. Stites. *\$8,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

7th-Charles Town, \$34,900, 2-18, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47.46, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

RAISE A SPEIGHTS (g, 4, Speightster--Well Received, by Any Given Saturday) Lifetime Record: 14-5-4-1, \$122,851. O-Leslie Boyd; B-Dormellito Stud & Mulholland Springs LLC (KY); T-A. Farrior. *\$30,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; \$35,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mademoisellejackie, f, 3, American Pharoah--Mademoiselle Coco, by Medaglia d'Oro. Gulfstream, 2-19, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.87. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$87,630. B-Nancy S. Dillman (KY). *\$200,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

Moonlight Warrior, f, 3, **Archwarrior**--Prairie Moonlight (MSP, \$106,758), by Premeditation. Sunland, 2-19, (S), 6f, 1:12.25. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$27,870. B-Jim Volk (NM).

Ms Carroll County, f, 3, Cinco Charlie--Valiant Reason, by To Honor and Serve. Oaklawn, 2-19, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.14. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$76,500. B-C.F. Newman (AR). *\$40,000 2yo '22 TTAAPR.

Proof She Zips, f, 3, **Idiot Proof**--Zipping My Way, by City Zip. Santa Anita, 2-19, (S), 6 1/2fT, 1:16.95. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$50,340. B-Daniel C ONeill (CA).

Like No Other, f, 3, **Stanford**--She's Not a Lemon, by Lemon Drop Kid. Golden Gate Fields, 2-19, 1m (AWT), 1:40.62. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$32,760. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA).

Fourth Street, f, 3, Street Sense--Katie's Keepsake, by Medaglia d'Oro. Golden Gate Fields, 2-18, 6f (AWT), 1:11.01. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$39,400. B-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY). *\$95,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$600,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

LUCAN BLOODSTOCK A 2 Year Old Sales Graduate

Escape Free (Ire), f, 4, Free Eagle (Ire)--Calatrava Cape (Ire), by Cape Cross (Ire). Golden Gate Fields, 2-19, 1m (AWT), 1:39.64. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$19,940. B-Windflower Overseas Holdings Inc (IRE). *22,000gns 3yo '22 TATAHI.

Count Asher, c, 4, Hard Spun--Elinvar, by Elusive Quality. Golden Gate Fields, 2-19, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.34. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$25,650. B-Jerome S. Moss (KY).

Orth, g, 4, **Jeranimo**--Lets Get Frisky, by Marino Marini. Santa Anita, 2-19, (S), 6fT, 1:09.26. Lifetime Record: 14-1-2-2, \$100,240. B-Eric Kruljac, Tom & Rebekah Lawless (CA).

Shadow Box, g, 4, Laoban--Mercy's Delight, by Sea of Secrets. Charles Town, 2-18, 6 1/2f, 1:21.04. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$20,924. B-Pucker Ridge Farm LLC (NY). *\$46,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSOPN; \$55,000 3yo '22 OBSWIN.

Delightof the Nile, f, 4, Pioneerof the Nile--Delightfully So, by Indian Charlie. Sam Houston Race, 2-19, 6f, 1:11.36. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$65,537. B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY). *\$180,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

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Canatlan, h, 5, Fifteen Love--Thunderously, by Wild Again. Sam Houston Race Park, 2-19, (S), 1mT, 1:39.52. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$22,810. B-Jose Luis Espinoza (TX). *1/2 to Thunderestimate (Western Expression), SW, \$183,144.

Big Flint, g, 5, **Flintshire (GB)**--She's a Big Winner (SW, \$111,666), by Bellamy Road. Santa Anita, 2-19, (C), 1mT, 1:35.68. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-2, \$63,160. B-Sharon Alesia, Ciaglia Racing LLC, Robin Christensen & Harry Crusberg (CA).

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American Pharoah, Mademoisellejackie, f, 3, o/o Mademoiselle Coco, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 2-19, Gulfstream

American Pharoah, Ocean Atlantique, g, 6, o/o Tare Green, by Giant's Causeway. Dust Commander S., 2-18, Turfway

American Pharoah, Promiseher America, f, 3, o/o

Promisedyouheaven, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 2-19, Aqueduct Archwarrior, Moonlight Warrior, f, 3, o/o Prairie Moonlight, by Premeditation. MSW, 2-19, Sunland

Army Mule, Alto Road, c, 3, o/o Field of Flowers, by City Zip. AOC, 2-19, Sam Houston

Bernardini, Fast and Shiny, f, 3, o/o Spotted Heart, by Lion Hearted. AOC, 2-19, Santa Anita

Cairo Prince, Cairo Sugar, f, 3, o/o Spun Sugar, by Awesome Again. Maddie May S., 2-19, Aqueduct

Cinco Charlie, Ms Carroll County, f, 3, o/o Valiant Reason, by To Honor and Serve. MSW, 2-19, Oaklawn

Cloud Computing, Two Eagles River, g, 3, o/o Majestic Island, by Majestic Warrior. AOC, 2-19, Oaklawn

Curlin, Curlin's Wisdom, c, 4, o/o Whisper Wisdom, by Rockport Harbor. AOC, 2-19, Aqueduct

Curlin to Mischief, See Through It, g, 6, o/o Crystal House, by Chester House. El Dorado Shooter S., 2-18, Golden Gate

Daaher, Super Wonder Girl, m, 7, o/o Comic Page, by Distorted Humor. STR, 2-19, Oaklawn

Diabolical, Doer Not a Faker, f, 3, o/o Complete Package, by Boundary. Enchantress S., 2-19, Sunland

Fifteen Love, Canatlan, h, 5, o/o Thunderously, by Wild Again. MSW, 2-19, Sam Houston

Flintshire (GB), Big Flint, g, 5, o/o She's a Big Winner, by Bellamy Road. MCL, 2-19, Santa Anita

Grazen, Alice Marble, m, 6, o/o Unsung Heroine, by More Than Ready. Spring Fever S., 2-19, Santa Anita

Hard Spun, Count Asher, c, 4, o/o Elinvar, by Elusive Quality. MSW, 2-19, Golden Gate

Idiot Proof, Proof She Zips, f, 3, o/o Zipping My Way, by City Zip. MSW, 2-19, Santa Anita

Into Mischief, Laugh and Play, f, 4, o/o Playful Humor, by

Distorted Humor. AOC, 2-18, Turfway

Into Mischief, Overstep, c, 4, o/o Modest Maven, by Uncle Mo. AOC, 2-19, Aqueduct

Jeranimo, Orth, g, 4, o/o Lets Get Frisky, by Marino Marini. MSW, 2-19, Santa Anita

Kantharos, Kanthari, c, 4, o/o Ari the Adventurer, by Pioneerof the Nile. AOC, 2-19, Gulfstream

Klimt, Calculated, c, 4, o/o Dos Lunas, by Hennessy. ALW, 2-18, Delta Downs

Laoban, Shadow Box, g, 4, o/o Mercy's Delight, by Sea of Secrets. MSW, 2-18, Charles Town

Lookin At Lucky, Diamond Wow, f, 4, o/o Patriotic Diamond, by Hat Trick (Jpn). AOC, 2-19, Gulfstream

Macho Rocket, Macho Ronnie, g, 5, o/o Ide Rather Be Me, by Ide. ALW, 2-19, Oaklawn

Mendelssohn, Golden Nugget, c, 3, o/o Tipping Point, by Speightstown. MSW, 2-19, Gulfstream

Midnight Lute, Holden the Lute, g, 6, o/o Casino Gold, by Proud Citizen. AOC, 2-19, Santa Anita

Midnight Storm, Leonids, g, 3, o/o Areolite, by Tapit. MSW, 2-19, Laurel

Noble Mission (GB), Whiskey Not Wine, g, 5, o/o Enchanted Fortune, by Indian Charlie. ALW, 2-19, Sam Houston Pioneerof the Nile, Delightof the Nile, f, 4, o/o Delightfully So, by

Indian Charlie. MSW, 2-19, Sam Houston

Quality Road, Silver Peak, c, 3, o/o Dreamologist, by Tapit. MSW, 2-19, Tampa Bay

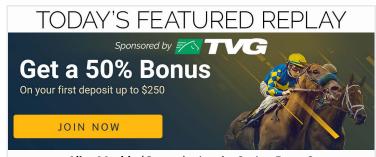
Speightster, Raise a Speights, g, 4, o/o Well Received, by Any Given Saturday. ALW, 2-18, Charles Town

Stanford, Like No Other, f, 3, o/o She's Not a Lemon, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 2-19, Golden Gate

Street Sense, Fourth Street, f, 3, o/o Katie's Keepsake, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 2-18, Golden Gate

Tiznow, For Love Not Money, m, 5, o/o Last Dance for Me, by General Meeting. ALW, 2-19, Sunland

Will Take Charge, Debit Card, g, 4, o/o Awesome Gift (Brz), by Street Cry (Ire). ALW, 2-18, Charles Town



Alice Marble (Grazen) wins the Spring Fever S. (click to watch)



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DUBAWI SIRES 250TH INDIVIDUAL STAKES WINNER



Dubawi | Darley

By Brian Sheerin

Dubawi (Ire), the world's most successful active stallion, achieved another major milestone on Saturday by siring his 250th individual stakes winner.

Away from all the bright lights and razzmatazz of a big festival, Godolphin homebred Lake Lucerne, who began his career with John Gosden, achieved that landmark success when running out a cosy winner of the Albert M Stall Memorial S. at Fair Grounds for Brendan Walsh and Tyler Gaffalione.

That victory means that Dubawi has now achieved 599 stakes wins in total. A whopping 53 horses by him have scored at the highest level, with many serving to harden Dubawi's reputation as a sire of sires, which leading bloodstock agent Anthony Stroud has explained is one of the most pleasing aspects of the evergreen 21-year-old's influence.

He said, "Dubawi is just an unbelievable stallion. To be a sire of sires, which he is, it's unprecedented really. Dubai Millennium (GB) was a very special horse for everyone at Godolphin and it's wonderful that the line is continuing. We have Dubawi and his sons who will continue.

"You've got New Bay (GB), Zarak (Fr), Night Of Thunder (Ire) and lots of other young sires coming through like Ghaiyyath (Ire) and Space Blues (Ire) who are all by him. There's a lot to look forward to." Cont. p3

DUBAI IN PLAY FOR GODOLPHIN'S LEMON POP FOLLOWING FEBRUARY S. by Alan Carasso

Stepping up to the top level for the first time in what has already been a productive career, Godolphin's **Lemon Pop** (Lemon Drop Kid) ran a strong 1600 metres and comfortably held a final-furlong rally from the classy **Red le Zele (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) to land Sunday's February S. at Tokyo Racecourse. A fourth consecutive American-bred winner of the 'Win and You're In' qualifier for the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Classic, Lemon Pop will remain over shorter trips and holds an invitation to the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen in five weeks' time. Despite the obvious appeal of such a journey, connections were playing it close to the vest post-race.

"Lemon Pop has been invited to Dubai, but we won't be making a decision on this for some time yet," said Godolphin Japan President Harry Sweeney, who purchased the chestnut in the name of Paca Paca Farm for \$70,000 as a weanling at the 2018 Keeneland November Sale. Cont. p5

IN TON AMERICA TODAY

WEEK IN REVIEW: RISEN STAR FAILS TO IMPRESS

Taking a look back at the week that was, T. D. Thornton recaps the GII Risen Star S. and surmises that the modestly graded nine-furlong prep will have little bearing on the Triple Crown trail.



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First Winter, owned by Salem Rashid Ghadayer and trained by Ahmad bin Harmash, has likely secured his spot in the Carnival with a win in the Dubai Creek Harbour H. They went a good gallop early on which is key to this lad as he can be very keen. He's on an upward trajectory. I'm delighted for Ahmad and the team. The yard's going very well at the moment. Dubai Racing Club

HINDU TIMES MAKES NEWS IN KOKURA DAISHOTEN

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Previously placed three times at group level, Silk Racing's Hindu Times (Jpn) became a 17th winner at group level for former G1 King George VII & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. hero Harbinger (GB) in Sunday's G3 Kokura Daishoten.

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Dubawi cont.

Stroud added, "I don't think you could ever get tired of speaking about a stallion who is so on top of his game like Dubawi is. He has been a consistent sire at the highest level. We are just very privileged to have had stallions like Galileo (Ire), and now Sea The Stars (Ire), Frankel (GB) and Dubawi in Europe."

Stroud has bought a large portion of Godolphin's yearlings at public auction in recent years and, alongside Sheikh Mohammed, returned to the market at Book 1 at Tattersalls last year to snap up 14 yearlings to the tune of just over 13,000,000gns by the dominant stallion. Put simply, there are few people better qualified to comment on the success Dubawi is having than he is.



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However, while Stroud admits that what Dubawi has achieved already is astounding, he said that he firmly believes that the ink is still wet on his story.

He explained, "It's a great landmark for him to have achieved but, in racing, you never look backwards and always push forward. Yes, 250 is great, but there is still more to come from him. I firmly believe that the trajectory that he is on, it will continue to go upwards.

"The great thing about Dubawi is his versatility. He can get top-class horses over six furlongs, a mile or any distance. It's remarkable really. Another thing, they all seem to have very good minds. They have wonderful temperaments."

Of the 250 individual stakes winners sired by Dubawi, 133 were colts or geldings and, in terms of Group or Graded winners, 98 have been achieved by colts or geldings and 65 by fillies or mares.

Stroud also acknowledged the huge significance surrounding the fact that milestone winner Lake Lucerne was bred by Godolphin and carried the famous royal blue silks to victory on Saturday. Cont. p4

MAKING A BIG IMPRESSION!

All the Arizonas seem to be stamped the same, plenty of size, bit of scope and they walk very well. I thought he was a very good physical, like they all have been, but he was a horse with a very good pedigree... he was the one we needed to buy. 3 3

Peter Nolan, purchaser of the colt ex **Dream Impossible** for **€60,000** at Goffs November

The Arizonas were all very athletic, good looking and looked like they were going to be good racehorses.

He is an absolutely smashing foal and a great walker

Ausra Mackeviciute, purchaser of the colt ex **What Endures** for **€42,000** at Goffs November

44 He was a beautiful colt, I'm very impressed with the stock by the sire 37

Paula Flannery, purchaser of the colt ex Princess Theodora for €35,000 at Goffs November

I actually underbid the Arizonas who caught my eye...
I actually underbid the Arizona colt
who Peter Nolan bought at Goffs
for €60,000

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He said, "Yes, it's quite fitting as the homebreds are the backbone to the Godolphin operation. They are key to any successful racing operation. The homebreds are the spine."

Providing an update on Dubawi, who is set to stand for a whopping £350,000 this year, Stroud added, "He is really good, really well, and understandably has a fantastic book of mares to look forward to this year."

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Antoine de Watrigant.

Kerno Quatz (Fr), c, 3, Myboycharlie (Ire)--Ushuaia Quatz (Fr) (SP-Fr, \$227,972), by Johann Quatz (Fr). Nimes, 2-19, 9 1/2fT, 2:02.84. B-O Quiniou (Fr).

Her 2-year-old filly Dambulla (Fr) is by Ribchester (Ire), while

she also has a yearling colt by Profitable (Ire) named Daumesnil

O-SCEA Carant & Frank A McNulty; B-Haras de Beauvoir (FR); T-

(Fr). Sales history: €18,000 RNA Ylg '21 ARQOCT. Lifetime

Record: 2-1-1-0, €13,300. Video, sponsored by TVG.

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

Sunday's Result:

FRANCE

5th-Pau, €19,000, Mdn, 2-19, 3yo, 7f (AWT), 1:23.90, st. DODOMA (FR) (c, 3, Gutaifan {Ire}--Damila {Fr} {GSW-Fr, \$102,442}, by Milanais {Fr}), narrowly denied on debut over a mile here at the start of the month, shadowed the early leader. In front passing the 300-metre marker, the 11-10 favourite stayed on to score by 3/4 of a length from First Page (Fr) (Bated Breath {GB}). The winner is the first foal out of the speedy dam, who captured the G3 Prix de Ris-Orangis and was third in the G3 Prix Texanita. H

IN THE UAE:

Noor Bano (Ire), f, 3, Kodi Bear (Ire)--Colour Blue (Ire) (MSP- Ire, \$234,897), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire). Meydan, 2-19, Maiden, AED82,500, 1400mT, 1:24.65, gd. O-Sultan Ali. B-Rathbarry Stud (Ire). T-Ismail Mohammed. *£32,000 Ylg '21 GOFAUG. VIDEO

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Branwell (Ire), g, 5, Dubawi (Ire)--Emily Bronte (GB) (GSW-Fr) by Machiavellian. Meydan, 2-19, Hcp., AED95,000, 2200m, 2:20.00, ft. O-Jumaa Mubarak Al Junaibi. B-Godolphin (Ire). T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. *Half to Earnshaw (Medaglia d'Oro), GSW-Fr, G1SP-GB, MGSP-UAE, S781,715; Lockwood (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), GSW-Fr & GSW-GB, \$216,913. VIDEO

Law of Nature (Fr), g, 5, Siyouni (Fr)--Davantage (Fr) by Galileo (Ire). Meydan, 2-19, Hcp., AED82,500, 1800mT, 1:49.97, gd. O-Rashid Al Shehhi & Tawfiq Mohammed. B-Ecurie Des Monceaux (Fr). T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. *Half to Devant (Fr) (Showcasing {GB}), GSW-Fr, \$112,088. **€240,000 Ylg '19 ARQAUG. ***AED60,000 HRA '21 ERAAPR. VIDEO

First Winter (Ire), g, 6, Dubawi (Ire)--Abhisheka (Ire) (SP-UAE), by Mount Nelson (GB). Meydan, 2-19, Hcp., AED95,000, 2000mT, 2:01.76, gd. O-Salem Rashid Ghadayer. B-Godolphin (Ire). T-Ahmad bin Harmash. *Half to Aesop's Fables (Distorted Humor), G1SW-Fr, \$487,582. **AED500,000 HRA '21 ERAAPR. "He was probably a bit fresh for his first two runs," said jockey Ray Dawson, whose mount is now likely to earn the 90 or higher rating required for the Carnival, having won here off 88. "But it all went to plan last time and he was probably a little bit fitter today. They went a good gallop early on which is key to this lad as he can be very keen. He's on an upward trajectory. I'm delighted for Ahmad and the team. The yard's going very well at the moment." VIDEO

Abshrek (GB), g, 6, Oasis Dream (GB)--Azanara (Ire), by Hurricane Run (Ire). Meydan, 2-19, Hcp., AED95,000, 1400mT, 1:23.53, gd. O-Bouresly Racing Syndicate. B-Elysian Bloodstock Ltd (GB). T-Rashed Bouresly. *Full to Azano (GB), GSW-Fr & GSP-GB, \$189,441. **260,000gns Ylg '18 TATNOV. VIDEO

WORLDWIDE NEWS

February S. cont.

"Thrilled that Lemon Pop has won a Group 1 race at his first attempt and won in good style. We are relieved that he now has a JRA Group 1 on his curriculum vitae which will be very important for his next career whenever he finishes racing."

Handed a good draw in gate seven, Lemon Pop was in the vanguard early, but was content to drift back a few spots as the mare **Shonan Nadeshiko (Jpn)** (Orfevre {Jpn}) took the 16-strong field through an opening half-mile in a solid :46.60. Tipped out into the four path with about 600 metres to travel, Lemon Pop traveled strongly into the race and was under a long hold--having yet to be asked for his best--as the field hit the quarter pole.

Finally given a dig by Ryusei Sakai approaching the final furlong, Lemon Pop pinched a break as Red le Zele flashed and loomed a momentary danger, but the favourite had the race well and truly in safe keeping and proved a clear-cut winner.

Meisho Hario (Jpn) (Pyro) nearly unseated jockey Suguru Hamanaka at the break and was a long last down the backstretch, but rallied strongly to finish third.

The other US-bred winners of the race include Mozu Ascot (Frankel {GB}) in 2020 and Cafe Pharoah (American Pharoah) the last two years.

The victory was the second at group level for Lemon Pop, who rebounded from a tough loss in the G3 Musashino S. over course and distance Nov. 12 to reverse form with Gilded Mirror (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}) in the G3 Negishi S. over seven panels Jan. 29. Jockey Keita Tosaki had ridden Lemon Pop to each of his seven previous wins, but opted for fourth-placed **Dry Stout (Jpn)** (Sinister Minister) Sunday, much to Sweeney's surprise.

"[We] were shocked to read in the sports papers just two weeks ago that Keita Tosaki had decided to get off Lemon Pop to ride another horse," said Sweeney. "We then had to scramble to find a replacement and we are delighted with Sakai-san's performance today. It was a pressure ride for him too as he was riding Lemon Pop, the favourite, for the first time and in a Group 1 race."

Added the winning jockey: "I am grateful to be given the chance to ride such a strong and favored horse and am happy we won. He responded well and pulled away strongly all the way to the wire."

'TDN Rising Star' Shirl's Speight (Speightstown) sat an inside trip from a disadvantageous low draw and was beaten about 10 lengths into ninth.

"From what the jockey was telling me, he wasn't enjoying the kickback that much, but I think he ran an OK race," said trainer Roger Attfield. "I just think he's a superiour turf horse, but we gave it a try." Cont. p6



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Pedigree Notes:

On behalf of former Darley executive Olly Tait and his wife, Blandford Bloodstock went to 165,000gns for Unreachable from the Juddmonte draft at the 2012 Tattersalls December Mares Sale. Unreachable is a daughter of Harpia, a full-sister to the highly influential Danehill as well as Eagle Eyed and Shibboleth, etc., and is a half-sister to the stakes-placed First Word (Chester House) and the young American regional stallion Redesdale (Speightstown). This is also the family of Dundonnell (First Defence), a Group 3 winner in England, a listed winner in Hong Kong and Group 3-placed in Dubai.

Unreachable was offered in foal to Good Magic at the 2020 Keeneland January Sale but was led out unsold on a bid of \$55,000. The mare was privately acquired by Jay and Christine Hayden's Saintsbury Farms and the colt the mare was carrying at the time--an Ontario-bred now named Equivoque--would go on to fetch \$325,000 from China Horse Club/Gandharvi at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale. Unreachable is also the dam of a 2-year-old colt by Good Magic and a yearling colt by Maclean's Music. A Maximum Security colt out of Lemon Pop's half-sister Regal Rags (Union Rags) was sold for \$110,000 at Keeneland November last fall. Unreachable, now 14 years of age, was entered for, but was unsurprisingly withdrawn from this year's Keeneland January Sale when again in foal to Maclean's Music.

Lemon Pop is the 10th worldwide Grade I/Group 1 winner for his sire, who was pensioned from stud duties at Lane's End in 2021 and is his second top-level winner out of a Giant's Causeway dam. The late 'Iron Horse' is now the broodmare sire of 32 G1SW/GISW.



Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

FEBRUARY S.-G1, ¥232,860,000, Tokyo, 2-19, 4yo/up, 1600m, 1:35.60, ft.

1--LEMON POP, 128, h, 5, by Lemon Drop Kid

1st Dam: Unreachable, by Giant's Causeway

2nd Dam: Harpia, by Danzig

3rd Dam: Razyana, by His Majesty

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (\$70,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV). O-Godolphin; B-Mr & Mrs Oliver S Tait (KY); T-Hiroyasu Tanaka; J-Ryusei Sakai; ¥123,403,000. Lifetime Record: 11-8-3-0, ¥288,439,000.

Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

Foaled and Sold by Blandford Stud for Mr and Mrs Tait

- 2--Red le Zele (Jpn), 128, h, 7, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)--French Noir (Jpn), by French Deputy. O-Tokyo Horse Racing; B-Shadai Farm; ¥48,972,000.
- 3--Meisho Hario (Jpn), 128, h, 6, Pyro--Meisho Ohi (Jpn), by Manhattan Cafe (Jpn). O-Yoshio Matsumoto; B-Mishima Bokujo; ¥30,486,000.

Margins: 1HF, 2HF, 1. Odds: 1.20, 8.00, 9.70.

Also Ran: Dry Stout (Jpn), Admire Lupus (Jpn), Speedy Kick (Jpn), Helios (Jpn), Soliste Thunder (Jpn), Shirl's Speight, Kenshinko (Jpn), Sekifu (Jpn), Auvergne (Jpn), Keiai Turquoise (Jpn), T M South Dan (Jpn), Shonan Nadeshiko (Jpn), Jasper Prince.

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Sunday, Kokura, Japan

KOKURA DAISHOTEN-G3, ¥82,630,000, Kokura, 2-19, 4yo/up, 1800mT, 1:49.70, sf.

1--HINDU TIMES (JPN), 127, g, 7, by Harbinger (GB)

1st Dam: Mahabharata (Jpn), by Deep Impact (Jpn)

2nd Dam: Mahab, by Nureyev

3rd Dam: Personal Business, by Private Account 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Silk Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Takashi

Saito; J-Bauyrzhan Murzabayev; ¥43,581,000. Lifetime Record: 19-6-3-3, ¥195,686,000. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free

Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Catedral (Jpn), 128, h, 7, Heart's Cry (Jpn)--Abyla (GB), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; ¥17,166,000.

3--Baji O (Jpn), 121, h, 5, Rulership (Jpn)--Flawless Dancer (Jpn), by Harbinger (GB). **1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE**. (¥58,000,000 yrl '19 JRHAJUL). O-Tsuyoshi Suzuki; B-Shadai Farm; ¥11,083,000.

Margins: NO, HF, HF. Odds: 3.90, 16.70, 17.80.

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Atullibigeal (Aus), g, 4, Street Boss--Kellys Ocean Jewel (GB), by Dansili (GB). Sha Tin, 2-19, Hcp. (C3), 1600mT, 1:34.99. B-R Harding (Vic). *SW-NZ. **1/2 to San Miguel (NZ) (Pins {Aus}), SP-NZ. ***A\$40,000 Wlg '19 INGJUL; NZ\$80,000 RNA Ylg '20 NZBJAN. VIDEO



IN HONG KONG:

Beluga (NZ), g, 6, Tavistock (NZ)--Prestigious Miss (Aus) (MGSP-NZ), by Written Tycoon (Aus). Sha Tin, 2-19, Hcp. (C1), 1400mT, 1:21.75. B-Mattrans (Vic) Pty Ltd. *NZ\$150,000 Ylg '18 NZBJAN; NZ\$400,000 2yo '18 NZBRTR. VIDEO



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