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## **BOB BAFFERT: 'COUNTRY GRAMMER WILL GET** SAUDI CUP JOB DONE IF TAIBA DOESN'T'



Bob Baffert | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

by Brian Sheerin

Bob Baffert has issued an upbeat bulletin on his Saudi Cup contenders and said that, if for whatever reason his short-priced favorite **Taiba** (Gun Runner) does not get the job done, then stablemate and last year's runner-up Country Grammer (Tonalist) should be there to pick up the pieces in the world's richest race on Saturday.

The Saudi Cup is one of the only big dirt races that has eluded Baffert and, along with Country Grammer, the American handler has sent out Charlatan to fill the runner-up spot to Mishriff (Ire) in 2021. Cont. p3

## **VERIFYING 'CHECKS' ALL BOXES IN HOT** RENEWAL OF THE REBEL by Alan Carasso

For all he's accomplished in a relatively short period of time, trainer Brad Cox is yet to unsaddle a winner of the third leg of Oaklawn's 3-year-old series, the \$1-million GII Rebel S. But he'll have two strong chances to right that wrong in an extremely contentious renewal Saturday afternoon.

Verifying (Justify), a half-brother to champion Midnight Bisou (Midnight Lute), rounded out the exacta behind Blazing Sevens (Good Magic) in a sloppy-track running of the GI Champagne S. at Aqueduct Oct. 1 and never truly threatened in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile after getting pinched back at the break. The \$775,000 Keeneland September purchase could not have been more impressive in a first-level allowance going a mile on sophomore debut here Jan. 14, as he widened through the short stretch to treat **Gun Pilot** (Gun Runner) to a 5 1/4length beating.

The 2-1 morning-line favorite figures to be tested by stablemate Giant Mischief (Into Mischief), who makes his seasonal debut off a remarkable runner-up effort in the Springboard Mile in December. A Keeneland allowance winner sprinting in his prior appearance, the bay made a mess of the break and trailed, then made a quick, wide move on the turn before falling just short as the odds-on favorite. Cont. p4

## IN TON FUROPF TODAY

#### STRENGTH IN NUMBERS FOR JAPAN IN SAUDI CUP

Besides the \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup, there are five other group races on tap at King Abdulaziz Racetrack in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on Saturday, and the Japanese bring a strong contingent to the fray.

## SIX FIRST CROP STAKES PERFORMERS....

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#### Saturday, February 25, 2023



'TDN Rising Star' White Moonlight (Medaglia d'Oro) gallops at King Abdulaziz Racetrack Friday morning. | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

#### WHICH SIRE HAS HAD THE MOST RISING STARS?

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#### TODAY'S GRADED STAKES



ET	Race	Click for	TV
9:05a	Neom Turf Cup SG3, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
9:45a	1351 Turf Sprint SG3, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
10:25a	Red Sea Turf HG3, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
11:05a	Saudi Derby Cup-G3, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
11:45a	Riyadh Dirt Sprint-G3, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
12:35p	Saudi Cup-G1, KAA	TJCIS PPs	FS2
5:43p	Honeybee SGIII, OP	TJCIS PPs	FDTV
6:23p	Rebel SGI, OP	TJCIS PPs	FDTV



#### Saudi Cup cont. from p1

This year's challenge is headed by three-time Grade I winner Taiba, who had to be put through the stalls on Friday morning after his antics at the track the previous day, and the battle-hardened Country Grammer. Mike Smith will partner Taiba while Frankie Dettori takes the mount aboard Country Grammer.

"He just has so much quality," Baffert said of Taiba. "He will do what you want--he can go forward or come from off the pace--l don't worry about him. He'll fool you, because he's such a lazy work horse in the mornings and is so laid back, but when he gets in that gate and the lights turn on, that's when his light turns on."

Taiba will line out for Saturday's race at Riyadh off the back of an easy win in the Malibu S. on Dec. 26, the same Grade I Baffert's 2021 runner-up Charlatan won in preparation for his Saudi Cup effort.

"Charlatan was a brilliant horse with just brilliant speed, but he got into a speed duel with Knicks Go, which cost him the race, but this horse has speed and stamina. The Gun Runners want to run longer, mostly, and this horse--while not as brilliant speed-wise as Charlatan--has that same class and he can go longer.

"He is tough to ride and that's why Mike Smith had to really get him out and get him going last time in the Malibu. Once you put him into the race, he has the stamina, and that's why, when he missed the break [when third] in the Breeders' Cup [Classic], it hurt him. He wasn't going to beat Flightline, but it cost him second."

Earlier on that Dec. 26 card at Santa Anita, Country Grammer returned to the winner's enclosure impressively in the GII San Antonio. Thus far, he is two out of two with Dettori in the saddle.

"I think both horses are doing really well and Jimmy [Barnes, assistant] is really happy with how they look out there. Country Grammer is a horse who always runs his race. Frankie knows him really well and if the horse shows up, he'll get the job done if Taiba doesn't. This horse has never been better--he's a better horse this year, I think--and he likes this track, which is really key.

"The Saudi Cup is one of the toughest races to win," Baffert continued. "I've never won it and I really want to. It's a long ship and a different surface and you have to keep them at their best the entire time.

"It's a challenge and that's what I love. I'd love to win it for these owners. Amr [Zedan] and the Troutts [owners of WinStar Farm] and the rest of the connections have been so loyal to me and we have won some great races together--a Triple Crown with Justify--but to win this one would be an honor and I'm just





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blessed to have two good horses in the race.

"Everyone can really run in this race and it's a tough field, but expectations are high and we have some owners with a love and passion for the horse, itself, and for horse racing, so we hope we can win it for them."

The Saudi Cup will be broadcast on FS2 beginning at 8 a.m. ET Saturday morning. Equibase past performances can be found on page 2 of today's edition.

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#### Rebel Preview cont. from p1

"I expected him to run big that night and he did," Cox said. "I never expected him to break like that. Just rocked back a step right before they popped him. He's a good horse as well. We're looking forward to giving him another run around two turns."



Verifying | Coady

A Rebel 'yell' for several of the remaining nine entrants would not come as a surprise. **Red Route One** (Gun Runner) raced detached from the rest of the field in the GIII Southwest S., but rallied strongly over a rain-affected strip he may not have loved to be second to tearaway winner 'TDN Rising Star' Arabian Knight (Uncle Mo).

**Reincarnate** (Good Magic) ships in from California and is to be saddled for the first time by Tim Yakteen. A maiden winner at fourth asking at Del Mar in November, he more or less made all the running in the GIII Sham S. Jan. 8, holding off next-out GIII Robert B. Lewis S. hero Newgate (Into Mischief) by a neck.

And a case can even be made for Gun Pilot, who franked the

form of the Verfying allowance with a two-length success Feb. 4 in which he overcame some trouble on the turn to best **Bourbon Bash** (City of Light). Trainer Steve Asmussen is a four-time winner of the Rebel.

A total of 100 points (50-20-15-10-5) on the Road to the Kentucky Derby are up for grabs Saturday.

#### Wet Paint Can Keep Ball Rolling in Honeybee

Godolphin's **Wet Paint** (Blame), undefeated in a pair of starts going two turns on dirt, looks to negotiate the hike into graded stakes company as the one to beat in the GIII Honeybee S.

Like her stable companion Giant Mischief, Wet Paint broke her maiden at Indiana Grand last fall and, following an allowance second going a mile on the Turfway all-weather in December, finished with good energy to defeat the re-opposing **Taxed** (Collected) and **Defining Purpose** (Cross Traffic) in the Jan. 28 Martha Washington S.

Olivia Twist (Mshawish) is a fair bet to take tons of action off what feels a very overlaid morning line of 15-1. A \$230,000 OBS June acquistion, the bay took her two-turn bow by 15 lengths at Remington Nov. 21 and was the two-length winner of the Dec. 17 Trapeze S. in Oklahoma City. The 21-10 second pick in the Martha Washington, she gave way readily after six furlongs over a wet-fast track and deserves the benefit of the doubt, particularly if underbet.

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## WHICH SIRE HAS HAD THE MOST RISING STARS? IT'S TAPIT by Bill Finley

Since 2004, we've shined the spotlight on over 1,500 **'TDN Rising Stars'** worldwide, recognition given to a horse early on its career who has done something so impressive on the racetrack that our team believes they will go on to become graded stakes winners. A horse is designated as a **'Rising Star'** by the TDN staff after a careful and comprehensive review of many factors—including the quality of the field, margin and time of victory, pedigree, sales price and more.

Over the years, it has become a badge of honor for a sire to produce a 'Rising Star.' So which sires have been the most prolific when it comes to having one of their progeny be named a Rising Star? Below is our Top 10, which includes only sires

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based in North America. The list probably won't surprise you. Good sires produce good horses.

#### Sire (#Rising Stars)

1) Tapit (51)



**Tapit:** King of the Rising Stars | Sarah Andrew

Not only is the 22-year-old Tapit one of the top sires in the history of the sport, but he has been around nearly as long as the Rising Stars have. He got his first Rising Star way back in 2010 when Trappe Shot won a maiden special weight race for 3-year-olds at Gulfstream Park. The TDN team was not wrong about Trappe Shot, who went on to win the GII True North H. in 2011. A year earlier, he won the Long Branch S. and ran second in the GI Haskell Invitational S. As a sire, Trappe Shot has had two Rising Stars.

Tapit was just getting started. Constitution was named a Rising Star in 2014 after winning a maiden special weight race at Gulfstream. He would go on to win the GI Florida Derby and the GI Donn H. Constitution turned out to be a top sire in his own right and had produced seven TDN Rising Stars. The hits kept on coming with subsequent Rising Stars by Tapit including 2014 GI Belmont S. winner Tonalist and Essential Quality, the 3-year-old champion of 2021, whose victories include wins in the Belmont, the GI Travers S., the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile and the GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity.

And, no, the team didn't miss out on Flightline. Arguably the best horse Tapit has ever produced, he was named a Rising Star after he broke his maiden on April 24, 2021 at Santa Anita. You

know the rest of the story.

We didn't always get it right. One of Tapit's early Rising Stars was Tapit It Rich, who broke his maiden on Oct. 12, 2013 at Santa Anita. He ran five more times and never won again.

#### 2) Into Mischief (36)

The main thing separating Tapit and Into Mischief is how long they have been at stud as Into Mischief is four years younger than his rival stallion.

Into Mischief started churning out Rising Stars from the start. His first was Goldencents, who was named a Rising Star after he broke his maiden in 2012 at Del Mar. A top horse throughout his career, Goldencents went on to win, among other races, the GI Santa Anita Derby and two runnings in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. As a sire, he's had two Rising Stars. Other notable Rising Stars by Into Mischief include GI Kentucky Derby winner Mandaloun, multiple Grade I winner Life Is Good and 2020 champion female sprinter Gamine.

There are two Rising Stars by Into Mischief who are among the top candidates for this year's Kentucky Derby in Newgate and Giant Mischief.

We did not tab 2020 Kentucky Derby winner Authentic, among the better horses Into Mischief has produced, as a Rising Star.

#### 3) Distorted Humor (28)

Another sire who has been picking up Rising Stars for years. He got his first Rising Star way back in 2005 with Halo Humor, a maiden winner at Saratoga who was a Louisiana-bred. Halo Humor did not go on to win a graded stakes, but plenty of other Rising Stars by Distorted Humor did. The list includes such graded stakes winners as Any Given Saturday, Alternation, Cowtown Cat. There's also Maclean's Music, who, though he raced just once, has gone on to be a top sire.

With Momos having earned Rising Star status in 2020, Distorted Humor's time as a producer of Rising Stars has covered a span of 15 years.

#### 4) Medaglia d'Oro (24)

Another prolific sire who has been around for a while and has churned out two dozen Rising Stars, starting with Dashing Debby in 2009, who broke her maiden in the JJ'sdream S. at Calder.

In 2015, the team nailed it when naming Songbird a Rising Star after she broke her maiden at Del Mar. She, of course, went on

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to be a major star who was the champion 2-year-old filly in 2015 and the champion 3-year-old filly in 2016. She won eight Grade I races.

Elate, named a Rising Star in 2016, became another top performer for her sire and had Grade I wins in the Alabama S. and the Beldame S.

#### 4) Unbridled's Song (24)

His list is topped by Arrogate, named a Rising Star after he won a 2016 maiden special weight race at Santa Anita. Considered one of the best horses of this century, he had a run that won't soon be forgotten, winning, in order, the Travers, the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S. and the G1 Dubai World Cup. Arrogate has produced three Rising Stars so far during his brief time as a stallion.

Unbridled's Song's list of Rising Stars also includes Liam's Map, the winner of the GI Woodward S. and the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.

#### 6) Speightstown (23)

He got off to a fast start as a Rising Stars sire as his second ever Rising Star was Munnings. Named a Rising Star in 2008, he won three Grade II races and went on to be a top stallion, who has had 10 Rising Stars. Other notable Rising Stars by Speightstown include Speighster, Echo Town, Charlatan and Nashville. Another sire who has been producing Rising Stars over the course of three decades, he had his most recent Rising Star last year when Andiamo a Firenze broke his maiden at Belmont Park.

#### 6) Curlin (23)

Curlin picked up his first Rising Star in 2013 with Del Mar maiden winner Socialbug. That horse didn't go on to win a graded stakes, but plenty of other Rising Stars by Curlin did. His most successful Rising Star was no doubt Malathaat, the champion 3-year-old filly of 2021 and the champion older dirt female of 2022. Her dam, Dreaming of Julia, also deserves mention as she is also the dam of Malathaat's full sister and Rising Star Julia Shining. Julia Shining was named a Rising Star after breaking her maiden last fall at Keeneland and has since gone on to win the GII Demoiselle S. (The record for most Rising Stars for a broodmare is six, held by Delta Princess, the dam of Royal Delta). Curlin's most recent Rising Star is Faustin, who is a Kentucky Derby candidate after finishing second in the GII San



Malibu Moon | Spendthrift

Vicente S.

#### 8) Malibu Moon (22)

Another sire who has been producing Rising Stars for what seems like forever. He had his first Rising Star in 2007 and his most recent came in 2021 with H P Moon, a maiden winner at Pimlico. His top Rising Star is Carina Mia, who captured the GI Acorn S.

#### 9) Bernardini (19)

Bernardini's list is topped by Cavorting, a three-time Grade I winner who captured the GI Test S., the GI Ogden Phipps S. and the Personal Ensign. Grade I winner Dame Dorothy is another Rising Star by Bernardini. She is the dam of Spice Is Nice, a Rising Star by Curlin.

#### 9) Storm Cat (19)

Considering that he was retired from study duty in 2008, it's remarkable that Storm Cat made the Top 10. Where would he be if Rising Stars went back to 1990 when his first crop appeared on the racetrack? He picked up his first Rising Star in 2005 with Where's That Tiger, a winner at the Curragh. In the U.S., the list of Rising Stars by Storm Cat includes Grade I winners Bluegrass Cat and Life Is Sweet, the winner of the 2009 GI Breeders' Cup Ladies Classic. He had his last Rising Star in 2011 with Hoorayforhollywood, a maiden winner at Santa Anita.

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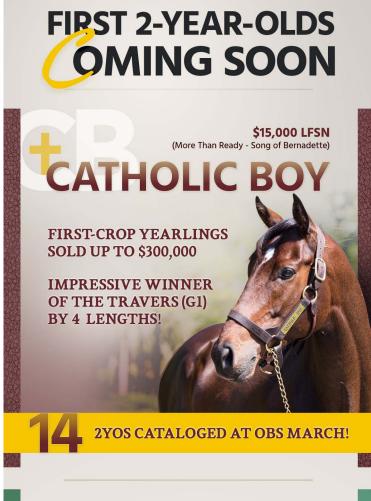
Officially sold out, the Organization of Racing Investigators (ORI) opens its 27th annual training conference with a reception for attendees on Sunday evening at the Lodge in the Desert in Tucson, Arizona.

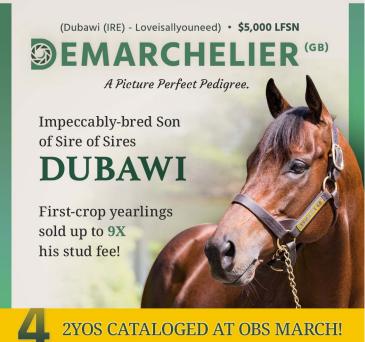
The ORI Conference includes a dozen speaker sessions scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, as presenters cover a variety of topics, including money laundering, regulatory oversight, medications, ethics, the media, human trafficking, licensing, drugs and alcohol on the backstretch, employee retention and barn surveillance. The final speaker on Tuesday will be Shawn Loehr, Director of Investigative Operations for the Horseracing Integrity & Welfare Unit (HIWU), who will give an overview of his office's program.

"We are extremely excited to welcome everyone to this year's ORI event and we want to thank all of our sponsors," said Chairman Juan Estrada. "We expected around 45 to attend and we more than doubled that, so the interest and understanding about how important our network is can be interpreted as better than ever."

To go along with this lineup, Monday afternoon will be devoted to a series of case studies and practical searches at Rillito Racetrack, which will be overseen by ORI Board Members. As an onsite teaching classroom, the setting will give participants a first-hand look into the latest techniques when it comes to investigation.

With students from the University of Arizona's Race Track Industry Program serving as volunteers during the conference, Chair Robert Hartman will deliver remarks at a dinner on Monday evening, which will be followed by author Melisa Del Bosque's keynote address. An awards ceremony intended to





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highlight the accomplishments of ORI members will conclude the banquet.

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#### LATEST DILGER SCHOLARSHIPS NAMED



Jayne Redmond | Dilger Equine

Jayne Redmond and Darcie Murray are the latest scholarship recipients from the Gerry Dilger Equine Scholarship Foundation, which benefits young people globally who are eager to learn and experience the bloodstock business by granting them the opportunity to travel, work and learn in the United States and Ireland.

Redmond, from County Clare, is currently an equine science student at the University of Limerick. She is in Kentucky working at Lane's End Farm through August of this year and is particularly interested in learning about mare and foal management.

"I hope to gain a new perspective on the horse industry and the U.S. as a country and I think anything that I learn from the experience in America will benefit me as a person and for my career," she said.

The foundation awards two scholarships annually to attend Irish National Stud, one of which goes to an Irish citizen. Murray, a native of County Kildare who grew up near The Curragh, has experience at OgHill House Stud, and after studying equine science for two years, is now seeking to learn in a hands-on environment.

"I would like to thank you so much for this incredible



opportunity in selecting me as your recipient this year," she said.

Erin Dilger added, "We are delighted to make two additional awards this year. Thank you to all the wonderful industry members in the U.S. and abroad who have contributed to our foundation, and to our volunteer board members who make this happen. We wish Jayne and Darcie much success in their equine careers."

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#### FIRST MARES IN FOAL TO OLYMPIAD, DRAIN THE **CLOCK, KEEPMEINMIND**

Olympiad (Speightstown), winner of the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup S. and runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, has had his first mares scanned in foal, Gainesway Farm announced Friday. He is confirmed in foal to Cheyenne Stables's Navasha (Giant's Causeway), who hails from the female family of Grade I winners Fault (Blame) and Juju's Map (Liam's Map). Olympiad stands for \$35,000 at Gainesway.

Gainesway also announced that GI Woody Stephens S. winner Drain the Clock (Maclean's Music) has his first mares in foal as well--Amelia Island (Hook and Ladder), the dam of Grade III winner Amelia's Wild Ride (D'Wildcat). Drain the Clock stands for \$10,000 at Gainesway.

**Keepmeinmind** (Laoban), winner of the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S., covered Wintrily (Carpe Diem), his first mare reported to be in foal. He stands for \$6,500 at Seguel Stallions New York.

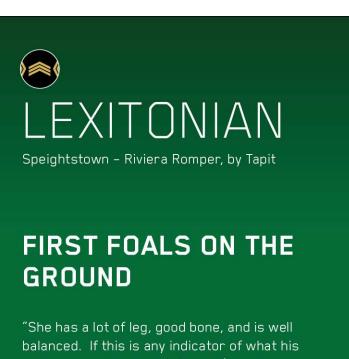
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## **GRADED STAKES** ENTRIES



#### Saturday, Oaklawn #11, post time: 6:23 p.m. EST

**REBEL S.-GII**, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Verifying 🖛	Justify	Westerberg, Mrs. John Magnier, Jonathan Poulin,	Cox	Geroux	122
			Derrick Smith & Michael B. Tabor			
2	Powerful 🖛	Nyquist	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Castillo	117
3	Red Route One	Gun Runner	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Torres	117
4	Gun Pilot	Gun Runner	Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	122
5	Giant Mischief 🖛	Into Mischief	Spendthrift Farm LLC, Steve Landers Racing LLC,	Cox	Ortiz, Jr.	117
			Martin Schwartz, Michael Dubb, Ten Strike Racing,			
			Jim Bakke, Titletown Racing Stables, Kueber Racin	g,		
			Big Easy Racing, Winners Win & Stonestreet Stable	es		
6	Reincarnate 🖛	Good Magic	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables,			
			Robert Masterson, Stonestreet Stables, Jay Schoer	nfarber,		
			Waves Edge Capital LLC & Catherine Donovan	Yakteen	Velazquez	122
7	Confidence Game 🖛	Candy Ride (Arg)	Don't Tell My Wife Stables	Desormeaux	Graham	119
8	Talladega 🖛	Into Mischief	WinStar Farm LLC & Siena Farm LLC	Brisset	Prat	117
9	Event Detail	City of Light	OXO Equine LLC	Lobo	Corrales	117
10	Bourbon Bash 🖛	City of Light	BC Stables, LLC	Lukas	Michel	117
11	Frosted Departure <	Frosted	C&H Diamond Racing LLC & Magdalena Racing	McPeek	Arrieta	117

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## **Saturday, Oaklawn #10, post time: 5:43 p.m. EST HONEYBEE S.-GIII**, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Effortlesslyelgant 🖛	Liam's Map	Alex & JoAnn Lieblong	Casse	Santana, Jr.	117
2	Towhead 🖛	Malibu Moon	Pura Vida Investments, Cindy Hutson & Brett Setzer	Maker	Castillo	122
3	Grand Love	Gun Runner	Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Rosario	117
4	Gambling Girl	Dialed In	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	117
5	Condensation	Frosted	Pravin A. Patel	Hartman	Arrieta	122
6	Take Charge Briana	Curlin	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Lukas	Michel	117
7	Wet Paint	Blame	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Prat	122
8	Defining Purpose 🖛	Cross Traffic	Magdalena Racing, Colette Vanmatre & James Ball	McPeek	Cabrera	119
9	Boss Lady Bailey 🖛	Connect	Hooties Racing LLC	Ortiz	Geroux	117
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## NORTH AMERICAN RACING

#### **SATURDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS:**

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#### **GISW MAX PLAYER MAKES 2023 DEBUT**

3rd-OP, \$106K, OC, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 2:03 p.m.

Last seen checking in fourth in last July's GII Suburban S. at Belmont, MAX PLAYER (Honor Code) makes his 6-year-old debut Saturday in an optional claimer at Oaklawn. The picture of consistency throughout his career, the Steve Asmussen trainee was a Triple Crown contender in 2020, placing third behind Tiz the Law (Constitution) in both the rescheduled GI Belmont S. and the GI Runhappy Travers S. before finishing fifth behind future Horse of the Year Authentic (Into Mischief) in the GI Kentucky Derby. He was not a factor in the 2021 G1 Saudi Cup but returned to home soil a winner two starts later in the GII Suburban S. before posting a career-best effort with a win in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup with a 102 Beyer Speed Figure. Never better than fourth in his next four starts, Max Player was benched after trying to defend his title in the Suburban.

Breaking just to his inside, **Caddo River** (Hard Spun) will make his first start for Hall of Famer D Wayne Lukas after three years with trainer Brad Cox. **TJCIS PPS** 



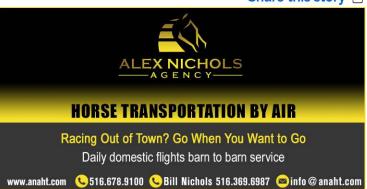
4th-OP, \$90K, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 2:34 p.m.

A Calumet Farm homebred also out of the D Wayne Lukas barn, **GAME KEEPER** (Honor Code) is a half-brother to G1 Emirates Airline Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3 winner Capezzano (Bernardini). Dam Cableknit is herself a half to champion sprinter and leading sire Speightstown (Gone West) as well as MGSW & MGISP Irap (Tiznow). Her half-sister Amour d'Ete (Tiznow) would go on to produce GI Preakness S. winner Early Voting (Gun Runner). **TJCIS PPS** 

3rd-FG, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, 7 1/2fT, 3:15 p.m.

Out of GI La Troienne S. winner Molly Morgan (Ghostzapper), KID KETCHUM (Tapit) is a Triple Crown-nominated colt racing out of the Brad Cox barn. Bred by Stonestreet Farm and owned by a large syndicate group of which Stonestreet remains a part of, the \$200,000 Keeneland September yearling picks up jockey Marcelino Pedroza, Jr. for his debut. TJCIS PPS

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## ALLOWANCE WINNERS



#### IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**8th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, Alw** (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$45,000), 2-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.43, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

PHAROAH'S HEART (m, 6, American Pharoah--Pulsating, by Pulpit), entered off a last-out third nearly three months ago over this same track at six furlongs, stretched out to the mile for only the third time in her career at odds of 5-1. In her second



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start for trainer Michelle Nevin after leaving the Steve Asmussen barn, she hustled to the front to set the tempo accompanied by a pair of rivals. Through a :22.95 opening quarter, Pharoah's Heart held her narrow advantage and began to inch away while under a ride against the rail around the far turn. Able to out-kick her rivals into the stretch, she widened her winning margin with an eighth to run and hit the wire 3 3/4 lengths ahead of a closing Glowsity (Bodemeister). The fourth winner from as many to race for her dam, herself a full-sister to GSW Mini Sermon, Pharoah's Heart has a winning 3-year-old half-brother, Pulpmaster (Cross Traffic). Her dam was bred to Uncle Chuck for the 2023 season. Sales History: \$250,000 Wlg '17 FTKNOV; \$135,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$35,000 5yo '22 FTKHRA. Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-1, \$156,343. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Tom F. McCrocklin; B-CESA Farm (FL); T-Michelle Nevin.

### WOODS EDGE FARM GRADUATE

3rd-Aqueduct, \$81,480, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 2-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.61, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

LET HER INSPIRE U (f, 4, Practical Joke--Caribbean Lady, by

**Speightstown)**, a consistent runner in the New York-bred ranks including a win in the Empire Distaff S. at Belmont's Aqueduct meeting last October, contested open company for the first time in her last start with a third over a sloppy track at 1 1/8 miles Jan. 26. Shortened up to the 6 1/2 panels for her run Friday, the \$500,000 2-year-old purchase was bet down to even money favoritism and came away as part of a four-wide bid for the front. Still widest as the quartet went down to a trio, Let Her Inspire U held her three-wide position around the far turn and had the best closing kick of the three, out-sprinting Leeloo (Practical Joke) to the line to win by 2 1/4 lengths. Out of a halfsister to MGSW & GISP Halory Leigh (Halory Hunter), Let Her Inspire U has a winning 3-year-old half-sister, Caribbean Breeze (Mendelssohn), a 2-year-old half-brother by Lookin At Lucky, and a yearling full-brother. Her dam visited Honest Mischief for this year. Sales History: \$90,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL; \$500,000 2yo '21 FTFMAR. Lifetime Record: SW, 11-5-2-2, \$413,080. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. O-CHC INC.; B-Pine Ridge Stables LTD (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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**5th-Laurel, \$60,040, Alw** (C)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000-\$40,000), 2-24, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:37.58, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

DOPPELGANGER (c, 4, Into Mischief--Twice the Lady {SW & MGSP, \$312,204}, by Quiet American), named a 'TDN Rising Star' on debut, was a contender on last year's Derby Trail for then trainer Bob Baffert and the syndicate group headed by SF Racing and Madaket Stables with a placing behind Forbidden Kingdom (American Pharoah) in the GII San Felipe S. Transferred to Tim Yakteen, he could do not better than fourth to Cyberknife (Gun Runner) in the GI Arkansas Derby and wound up a fading sixth in the GII Pat Day Mile on Derby Day. He made only one more start when moved back west to Baffert's barn--a distant fourth in the Los Alamitos Derby--before switching once more to trainer Brittany Russell. After six months on the sidelines, he returned a winner at Laurel Jan. 27 in allowance company and went off the 6-5 favorite against similar condition Friday. Just off the pace behind Workin On a Dream (Jersey Town), Doppelganger stalked from third up the backstretch before sweeping three wide around the turn into contention. In command in upper stretch, he held off Holy Synchronicity (Holy Boss) for the 1 1/2-length win. From the family of champion 3year-old filly in Canada Blushing Katy (Blushing Groom {Fr}), Doppelganger's only younger sibling is the 3-year-old colt Nitro Journey (Speightstown). His dam is carrying to Improbable this year. Sales History: \$570,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 9-3-1-1, \$277,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

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#### **IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**9th-Oaklawn, \$90,000, Msw**, 2-24, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.22, sy, 3 1/4 lengths.

STELLAR LILY (f, 3, Speightster--Anfield Rose, by Wilburn), off the board in her only prior start over a wet track, entered off an improved third over this same track at six furlongs Jan. 14. The 2-1 wagering choice Friday, she was into stride from the gate and assumed command into the first turn. Clear from Goldenshuga (Goldencents) in second up the backstretch, Stellar



Stellar Lily | Coady

Lily had to shake off No Guilt (Blame) at the top of the lane and sprinted for home, defeating that rival by 3 1/4 lengths. Stellar Lily has a yearling half-brother by Goldencents while her dam is in foal to Runhappy for 2023. Sales History: \$105,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$150,000 Zyo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$79,188. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Stud Dani Sam, LLC, Full Send Ventures LLC, Edmondson Brothers Southern Springs Stables (Ron Moquett) & William S. Sparks; B-Amy Boulton (KY); T-Ron Moquett.

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**8th-Turfway, \$70,000, Msw**, 2-23, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:40.45, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

JENNY LIND (f, 3, Mendelssohn--Szolnok, by Elusive Quality) was given only a 17-1 chance after finishing a distant fourth in both of her prior starts--once over Churchill's main track when debuted Nov. 18 and again over this same all-weather track at six panels Feb. 1. Slow into stride from the gate, she raced in the back flight with only a pair of rivals beat through an opening quarter in :23.64. Paced up front by Varsity Blonde (Hard Spun), Jenny Lind began to pass horses with a move into the far turn and had plenty of momentum despite swinging widest of all past the quarter pole. Kept to task, she drove past late contender Friction (Into Mischief) and cleared off to win by 1 3/4 lengths. A \$340,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic RNA last year, Jenny Lind is out of a half-sister to MGISP Solomini (Curlin). This is also the family of champion 2-year-old colt and Darley stallion Midshipman (Unbridled's Song), GSW Fast Cookie (Deputy Minister), and her son MGISW Frosted (Tapit). Szolnok foaled a colt by Into Mischief last year and was bred to Authentic for a 2023 foal. Sales History: \$140,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$60,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$340,000 RNA 2yo '22 EASMAY. Lifetime Record:

## 3-1-0-0, \$51,150. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Bradley Thoroughbreds, Laura Leigh Stable, Jim Cone, Belmar Racing and Breeding, LLC, Team Hanley and Cambron Equine, LLC; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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**6th-Aqueduct, \$70,000, (S), Msw**, 2-24, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:19.24, ft, 8 1/4 lengths.

NINETEEN OYSTERS (c, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Platinum Song {MSW, \$180,508}, by My Golden Song) RNA'd for \$240,000 as a 2-yearold at the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale last year before bringing a final bid of \$170,000 at FT's Midlantic Sale later in the summer. Given a surprising 7-1 shot despite entering off a bullet three-furlong drill Feb. 19, he stayed out in the clear, sitting a wide trip under jockey Maddie Olver. Kept four wide around the turn, he began a sustained bid as the field straightened for home and was much the best with a furlong to run, clearing off to the wire to win by 8 1/4 lengths. Early pacesetter Electric Stuff (Violence) held on to fill out the exacta. Nineteen Oysters is his dam's most recent offspring though she visited Independence Hall for a 2023 foal. Sales History: \$170,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG; \$240,000 RNA 2yo '22 FTFMAR; \$175,000 2yo '22 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$38,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

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**7th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$24,600, Msw**, 2-24, 3yo, 5fT, :57.32, fm, 3 lengths.

VAMOS VIEJO (c, 3, Practical Joke--Saucy Symphony, by First Samurai), a well-beaten seventh on dirt in his first and only start as a 2-year-old at Gulfstream in November, went off the 9-5 chalk with the switch to the turf sprint Friday. Chasing from third up the backstretch with Lasix in his system for the first time, he was forced to stay wide around the turn but had plenty of kick left to begin his stretch drive past the quarter pole. Chased all the way home by Extreme Access (Kantharos), Vamos Viejo was well clear, hitting the wire three lengths ahead of that rival. Since producing this winner, Saucy Symphony has foaled a 2-year-old filly by Goldencents and a yearling colt, Now Hiring (Catalina Cruiser). She is pregnant to Tiz the Law for 2023. Sales History: \$100,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$14,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Lugamo Racing Stable LLC; B-William Harigan, Mike Pietrangelo, Sean Downes & Liz Crow (KY); T-Victor Barboza, Jr.



#### **IN SAUDI ARABIA:**

Alia, f, 3, Good Magic--Fi, by Langfuhr. King Abdulaziz, 2-24, Allowance (\$250k), 1600m. B-Ron Stolich & BRS (KY). \*1/2 to Curlish Figure (Curlin), MSP-Can, \$178,697. \*\*\$55,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. VIDEO (SC 20)

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#### **Halcyon Hammock Graduate**

Electability, g, 4, Quality Road--Spindle, by Hard Spun. King Abdulaziz, 2-24, Allowance (\$500k), 1800m. B-Purple H Bloodstock (KY). \*GSP-US, SP-KSA. \*\*1/2 to Chiseler (Speightstown), SP-Can. \*\*\*\$300,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$330,000 HRA '22 FTKJUL. VIDEO (SC 7)



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#### IN THE UAE:

Ah Jeez, c, 3, Mendelssohn. See 'TDN Europe--Middle East'
Street Mood, c, 4, Street Boss--Tizacity, by Tizway. Meydan,
2-24, Hcp., 1600m, 1:38.43. B-Three Lyons Racing LLC & HTH
Enterprises (KY). \*\$67,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; £20,000 HRA '21
TATJUN. VIDEO



#### IN AUSTRALIA:

American Liaison (Aus), g, 3, American Pharoah--Secret Liaison (Aus) (MSW & GSP-Aus, \$439,309), by Artie Schiller. Kilmore, 2-24, Maiden, 1457mT, 1:30.25. B-Hesket Bloodstock (Vic). \*1/2 to Styling City (Aus) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), GSP-HK, \$692,190.

#### IN SOUTH KOREA:

Raon the Harley (Kor), g, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Bluegrass Festival, by Bluegrass Cat. Busan 2-24, Hcp. (C6), 1300m. B-Triple Crown Farm. \*1/2 to Caught Up In You (Fort Larned), SP, \$171,746. \*\*\$10,000 in utero '20 OBSJAN. VIDEO (SC 7)

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## SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, FEB. 25

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Accelerate (Lookin At Lucky), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000 214 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Oaklawn, 3:35 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Accelerating Babe, 30-1 \$37,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$25,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$105,000 TTA APR 2yo

5-Fair Grounds, 4:15 p.m. EST, \$75K Louisiana Broodmare Of The Year Buttercup's Song S., 1m, For Harper, 6-1 \$35,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl

Always Dreaming (Bodemeister), WinStar Farm, \$10,000 212 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner 3-Aqueduct, 1:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Gander S., 1m, D'ont Lose Cruz, 3-1

\$95,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$100,000 OBS APR 2yo 4-Charles Town, 8:32 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Reckless Affair, 2-1

**Army Mule** (Friesan Fire), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$12,500 142 foals of racing age/29 winners/7 black-type winners 4-Oaklawn, 2:34 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Stormin Army, 20-1 \$80,000 FTK JUL yrl

**Bee Jersey** (Jersey Town), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000 87 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners 8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Topsy, 3-1 \$42,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$225,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Bolt d'Oro** (Medaglia d'Oro), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000 256 foals of racing age/35 winners/6 black-type winners 6-Oaklawn, 3:35 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Beautiful Bolt, 3-1 12-Gulfstream, 5:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Dark Vector, 10-1 \$275,000 FTS AUG yrl

6-King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia, 11:05 a.m. EST,  $$1500 K \ GIII \ Saudi \ Derby \ presented by Boutique Group, 1m, From Dusk, 10-1$ 

\$200,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$900,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Bucchero** (Kantharos), Pleasant Acres Stallions 155 foals of racing age/18 winners/0 black-type winners 4-Fair Grounds, 3:45 p.m. EST, Alw 6f, Toddchero, 4-1 \$77,000 OBS APR 2yo City of Light (Quality Road), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000 209 foals of racing age/15 winners/4 black-type winners 11-Oaklawn, 6:23 p.m. EST, \$1000K GII Rebel S., 1 1/16m, Bourbon Bash, 20-1

\$280,000 KEE SEP yrl

11-Oaklawn, 6:23 p.m. EST, \$1000K GII Rebel S., 1 1/16m, Event Detail, 30-1

\$600.000 FTK NOV wnl

2-Golden Gate Fields, 4:51 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, Jeweled Shillelagh, 2-1

\$130,000 KEE SEP yrl

Cloud Computing (Maclean's Music), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 198 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Aqueduct, 1:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Gander S., 1m, Neural Network, 5-2 \$120,000 FTK OCT yrl

Collected (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
234 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Classic Dancer
\$11,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$30,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$110,000 KEE SEP
10-Oaklawn, 5:43 p.m. EST, \$300K GIII Honeybee S., 1 1/16m,
Taxed, 15-1
\$27,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$105,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Free Drop Billy (Union Rags), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 106 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner 5-Fair Grounds, 4:15 p.m. EST, \$75K Louisiana Broodmare Of The Year Buttercup's Song S., 1m, Free Drop Maddy, 3-1 \$10,500 LTB SYM yrl; \$200,000 TTA APR 2yo

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

237 foals of racing age/31 winners/7 black-type winners
6-King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia, 11:05 a.m. EST,
\$1500K GIII Saudi Derby presented by Boutique Group, 1m,
Almurtajiz, 30-1
\$60,000 KEE SEP yrl; €280,000 ARQ MAY 2yo
8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Just Like Magic, 12-1
\$55,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$100,000 KEE SEP yrl
11-Oaklawn, 6:23 p.m. EST, \$1000K GII Rebel S., 1 1/16m,
Reincarnate, 7-2
\$775,000 KEE SEP yrl

Good Samaritan (Harlan's Holiday), WinStar Farm, \$7,500 172 foals of racing age/27 winners/1 black-type winner 5-Tampa Bay Downs, 2:46 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/8mT, Most Divine, 20-1 \$20,000 KEE SEP yrl Irish War Cry (Curlin), Northview Stallion Station 103 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Charles Town, 9:32 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Irish Valentine, 5-2 6-Charles Town, 9:32 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Kidman Kerry, 8-1 \$9,000 EAS OCT yrl

Justify (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$100,000 343 foals of racing age/33 winners/6 black-type winners 6-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Scat Danz, 6-1 \$150,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$450,000 FTK OCT yrl 11-Oaklawn, 6:23 p.m. EST, \$1000K GII Rebel S., 1 1/16m, Verifying, 2-1 \$775,000 KEE SEP yrl

The Lieutenant (Street Sense), Sequel New York 30 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner 3-Aqueduct, 1:50 p.m. EST, \$100K Gander S., 1m, Dr. Kraft, 10-1 \$50,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, \$25,000 348 foals of racing age/37 winners/3 black-type winners 12-Gulfstream, 5:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Saint in the City, 6-1 \$115,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$150,000 FTK OCT yrl

Mor Spirit (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 190 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner 1-Oaklawn, 1:00 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Be Bo, 8-1 12-Gulfstream, 5:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Mor Than Tough, 15-1 \$34,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$80,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Ransom the Moon (Malibu Moon), Calumet Farm, \$5,000 101 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, \$75K Louisiana Stallion Of The Year Half Ours S., 1m, Allnight Moonlight, 9-2 \$15,000 TTA YHR yrl 3-Delta Downs, 7:16 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Reddingandlee, 8-1

Sharp Azteca (Freud), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000 200 foals of racing age/43 winners/4 black-type winners 6-Oaklawn, 3:35 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Sharp Attitude, 10-1

Tapwrit (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000 176 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners 12-Gulfstream, 5:37 p.m. EST, Msw 1mT, Gotta Like Him, 4-1 \$95,000 KEE SEP yrl 6-Oaklawn, 3:35 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Malibu Toast, 5-2 \$67,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$165,000 KEE SEP; \$200,000 OBS MAR

8-Fair Grounds, 5:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Taylors Tap, 6-1

\$21,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$35,000 OBS APR 2yo

West Coast (Flatter), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000 198 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners 6-Oaklawn, 3:35 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Dawny, 8-1 \$15,000 FTK OCT yrl

Whence (Scat Daddy), Averett Farm 22 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Delta Downs, 7:16 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Pallaton, 12-1





#### **ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

8th-Oaklawn, \$104,000, 2-24, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.10, sy, 2 3/4 lengths.

MAHAAMEL (g, 5, Into Mischief--Hot Stones (GSW, \$521,356), by Bustin Stones) Lifetime Record: 12-2-6-3, \$230,611. O-Joseph Engelhart; B-Clarkland Farm LLC (KY); T-Joe Sharp. \*700,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.





**7th-Laurel, \$78,400**, 2-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.04, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

RESPONSE TIME (m, 5, Mosler--Dominus Effect, by Dominus) Lifetime Record: 25-7-6-2, \$361,058. O-Mens Grille Racing; B-Country Life Farm (MD); T-Hamilton Smith. \*\$11,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$75,000 Ylg '19 OBSOCT; \$100,000 2yo '20 EASMAY.



**7th-Turfway, \$75,875**, 2-23, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.67, ft, neck.

QUARIA COMET (f, 4, Shackleford--Colorado Girl {Brz} **{G1SW-Brz, \$117,542}, by Elusive Quality)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, \$209,895. O/B-Brownwood Farm (KY); T-Paulo H. Lobo. **6th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000**, (S), 2-24, (NW1X), 3yo, 6f, 1:12.14, ft, 1/2 length.

COPTER (g, 3, Country Day--Whirlie Bertie {GSW, \$205,449}, by Stormin Fever) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$25,200. O-Maximo Lamarche & Federico Deltoro; B-Lora Pitre & Richard Klein (LA); T-Allen Landry. \*1/2 to Fleet Bertie (Afleet Alex), SP, \$167,197.

**7th-Fair Grounds, \$51,000**, (S), 2-24, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:43.49, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

**PERRINS (c, 4, Lea--Care, by Trappe Shot)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$66,200. O/B-Adele B. Dilschneider & Nicole Stall (LA); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.

**6th-Delta Downs, \$43,000**, (S), 2-23, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:21.39, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

ADDI BUG (f, 3, El Deal--Betty Lou, by Holy Bull) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-2-2-1, \$78,380. O-Arnold A. Haynie, Jr.; B-Jack Brown (LA); T-David C. Gomez.

**6th-Sam Houston Race, \$37,000**, 2-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.85, ft, head.

ROLLIN CHROME (f, 4, California Chrome--Bronx City Girl {GSP, \$295,714}, by Yankee Gentleman) Lifetime Record: 21-3-8-4, \$139,840. O-HDT Allied Management, LLC; B-Joe Parker (KY); T-Alejandro Baldillez Jr. \*\$1,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN; \$40,000 RNA 2yo '21 TTAAPR.

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**2nd-Delta Downs**, **\$35,000**, 2-23, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:20.92, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

**GIMME CANDY (f, 4, Jimmy Creed--Mini Candy, by Candy Ride {Arg})** Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-0, \$84,587. O-Victory Crossing; B-Denny Andrews (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss. \*1/2 to Candy Overload (Reload), GSW-Can, SW-USA, \$327,758.

**8th-Delta Downs, \$35,000**, 2-23, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.90, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

LORD CAPTAIN (c, 4, Lord Nelson--Virtuously, by Congrats)
Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-0, \$79,594. O-Maggi Moss; B-Moreau
Bloodstock Int'l Inc. & White Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Thomas M.
Amoss. \*\$70,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV.

**5th-Charles Town, \$33,900**, (S), 2-23, (NW2L), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:21.85, gd, nose.

ACASHA'S INTUITION (g, 5, Shackleford--Canal Six {MSP, \$161,140}, by Noble Causeway) Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-1, \$55,644. O-Carreen E. Smith; B-My Meadowview LLC (WV); T-Curtis W. Bass.



**Doppelganger** (Into Mischief) gets another win at Laurel (click to watch)

**7th-Charles Town, \$33,900**, 2-23, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52.13, gd, 4 1/2 lengths.

**DERBY DAY DREAMS (g, 6, Fiber Sonde--Land of Dreams, by Marlin)** Lifetime Record: 24-6-2-8, \$157,843. O/B-Donna Jean Swaim (WV); T-Donald C. Barber.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

People Force, c, 3, Air Force Blue--Costela, by Any Given Saturday. Gulfstream, 2-24, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:41.94. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-3, \$38,600. B-John A O' Meara (KY). \*\$15,000 RNA Wlg '20 FTKNOV; \$12,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$9,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN.

G T Five Hundred, g, 3, Astern (Aus)--Cocoanut Row, by Mineshaft. Oaklawn, 2-24, (C), 6f, 1:11.76. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$28,716. B-Joe B. Mulholland Jr., John P. & Karen Mulholland (KY). \*\$40,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

Athena Beach, f, 3, Bank Heist--Beach, by Tapit. Penn National, 2-23, 6f, 1:11.31. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,260. B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

Anders Smile, g, 3, Cloud Computing--Unfriendly Koo, by Friendly Lover. Fair Grounds, 2-24, (S), 1m, 1:40.28. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$20,000. B-Earl & Keith Hernandez (LA). \*1/2 to Social Misfit (Porto Foricos), SW, \$674,112.

**Sideswiped**, f, 3, **Cross Traffic**--Kiddari (SW, \$181,992), by Smarty Jones. Charles Town, 2-23, 7f, 1:29.52. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$30,659. B-Summer Wind Equine LLC (KY).

Arrebato, c, 3, Goldencents--Oaks Lily (SP), by Badge of Silver. Aqueduct, 2-24, (C), 1m, 1:41.13. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$33,750. B-Kings and Queens Farm (KY). \*\$20,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN. \*\*1/2 to Yarek (Drosselmeyer), GSW & G1SP-Per; Dark Oak (Astrology), SW, \$189,548.

Cajun Eddie, g, 3, Mo Tom--Smittystown, by Speightstown. Sam Houston Race, 2-24, 6 1/2f, 1:18.73. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,880. B-J. Adcock & Nathan C Granger (LA). \*\$27,000 Ylg '21 TTAYHR; \$57,500 2yo '22 TTAAPR. \*\*1/2 to Mirabeau (Bind), MSW, \$105,350. \*\*\*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Lavon**, f, 3, Paynter--Legally Bay, by Read the Footnotes. Aqueduct, 2-24, (S), 1m, 1:41.91. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$68,940. B-Coffee Pot Stable (NY).



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**Hey Jackson**, c, 3, **Union Jackson**--Hey Wheresmydinner, by War Pass. Delta Downs, 2-23, 5f, 1:00.84. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$20,400. B-Sequel Stallions NY & Stonestreet (NY). \*\$27,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG; \$85,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR.

Wings Like Eagles, f, 4, Get Stormy--My Darling Debbie, by Friends Lake. Aqueduct, 2-24, 7f, :00.00. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-3, \$108,900. B-Marian M. Pearcy (KY).

**Go Brother Go**, g, 5, **Crowned King**--Hoodatcrook, by Byars. Fair Grounds, 2-24, (S), 1m, 1:40.59. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$34,400. B-Narcizo Reyes Velasquez (LA).

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**Air Force Blue**, People Force, c, 3, o/o Costela, by Any Given Saturday. MOC, 2-24, Gulfstream

American Pharoah, Pharoah's Heart, m, 6, o/o Pulsating, by Pulpit. AOC, 2-24, Aqueduct

**Astern (Aus)**, G T Five Hundred, g, 3, o/o Cocoanut Row, by Mineshaft. MCL, 2-24, Oaklawn

**Bank Heist**, Athena Beach, f, 3, o/o Beach, by Tapit. MSW, 2-23, Penn National

**Bolt d'Oro**, Nineteen Oysters, c, 3, o/o Platinum Song, by My Golden Song. MSW, 2-24, Aqueduct

**California Chrome**, Rollin Chrome, f, 4, o/o Bronx City Girl, by Yankee Gentleman. AOC, 2-24, Sam Houston

**Cloud Computing**, Anders Smile, g, 3, o/o Unfriendly Koo, by Friendly Lover. MSW, 2-24, Fair Grounds

**Country Day**, Copter, g, 3, o/o Whirlie Bertie, by Stormin Fever. ALW, 2-24, Fair Grounds

**Cross Traffic**, Sideswiped, f, 3, o/o Kiddari, by Smarty Jones. MSW, 2-23, Charles Town

**Crowned King**, Go Brother Go, g, 5, o/o Hoodatcrook, by Byars. MSW, 2-24, Fair Grounds

**El Deal**, Addi Bug, f, 3, o/o Betty Lou, by Holy Bull. ALW, 2-23, Delta Downs

**Fiber Sonde**, Derby Day Dreams, g, 6, o/o Land of Dreams, by Marlin. ALW, 2-23, Charles Town

**Get Stormy**, Wings Like Eagles, f, 4, o/o My Darling Debbie, by Friends Lake. MSW, 2-24, Aqueduct

**Goldencents**, Arrebato, c, 3, o/o Oaks Lily, by Badge of Silver. MCL, 2-24, Aqueduct

**Into Mischief**, Doppelganger, c, 4, o/o Twice the Lady, by Quiet American. AOC, 2-24, Laurel

**Into Mischief**, Mahaamel, g, 5, o/o Hot Stones, by Bustin Stones. ALW, 2-24, Oaklawn

**Jimmy Creed**, Gimme Candy, f, 4, o/o Mini Candy, by Candy Ride (Arg). ALW, 2-23, Delta Downs

**Lea**, Perrins, c, 4, o/o Care, by Trappe Shot. ALW, 2-24, Fair Grounds

**Lord Nelson**, Lord Captain, c, 4, o/o Virtuously, by Congrats. ALW, 2-23, Delta Downs

Mendelssohn, Jenny Lind, f, 3, o/o Szolnok, by Elusive Quality. MSW, 2-23, Turfway

**Mo Tom**, Cajun Eddie, g, 3, o/o Smittystown, by Speightstown. MSW, 2-24, Sam Houston

**Mosler**, Response Time, m, 5, o/o Dominus Effect, by Dominus. ALW, 2-24, Laurel

**Paynter**, Lavon, f, 3, o/o Legally Bay, by Read the Footnotes. MSW, 2-24, Aqueduct

**Practical Joke**, Let Her Inspire U, f, 4, o/o Caribbean Lady, by Speightstown. AOC, 2-24, Aqueduct

**Practical Joke**, Vamos Viejo, c, 3, o/o Saucy Symphony, by First Samurai. MSW, 2-24, Tampa Bay

**Shackleford**, Acasha's Intuition, g, 5, o/o Canal Six, by Noble Causeway. ALW, 2-23, Charles Town

**Shackleford**, Quaria Comet, f, 4, o/o Colorado Girl (Brz), by Elusive Quality. ALW, 2-23, Turfway

**Speightster**, Stellar Lily, f, 3, o/o Anfield Rose, by Wilburn. MSW, 2-24, Oaklawn

**Union Jackson**, Hey Jackson, c, 3, o/o Hey Wheresmydinner, by War Pass. MSW, 2-23, Delta Downs



Practical Joke had a pair of winners Friday | Coolmore



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Jun Light Bolt | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

by Brian Sheerin in Riyadh, Heather Anderson & Alan Carasso Wherever and whenever horses from Japan show up on the world stage, recent history dictates that they are to be taken very seriously.

As recently as 12 months ago at the Saudi Cup meeting, horses representing the island nation accounted for four of the evening's six big races, and a month later in yet another desert destination, they somehow managed to one-up themselves with a spectacular five-timer on Dubai World Cup night. The nation has yet--repeat, *yet*--to break through in either of the world's eight-figure races on the dirt, but they will have every chance to rewrite history just past 8:30 local time Saturday when a half-dozen accomplished Japanese runners take on seven others in the \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup at King Abdulaziz Racecourse in Riyadh.

The most accomplished of the group at Saturday's nine-furlong distance on the dirt is **Jun Light Bolt (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), who earned an automatic berth in the Cup via his lastgasp defeat of 2022 G2 UAE Derby hero **Crown Pride (Jpn)** (Reach the Crown {Jpn}) in the G1 Champions Cup at Chukyo last December (video). Purchased for better than \$1 million as a yearling at the JRHA Select Sale, the bay won four of 21 starts on the grass, but has been reborn with the surface switch; the Champions Cup was his third win from four runs on the main track. He'll carry saddle towel six from barrier number six. **See p3** 

#### **LORD NORTH RETURNS**

by Tom Frary

There is a faint scent of the approaching Flat season in the air on Saturday as the Gosdens' stalwart **Lord North (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) enjoys his seasonal bow in Lingfield's G3 BetUK Winter Derby. Not seen since finishing a close fourth in the G1 Eclipse at Sandown in July, the 7-year-old is at the scene of his defeat in this 12 months ago warming up for a third consecutive G1 Dubai Turf.

Robert Havlin will be on board the consistent performer and he said, "Lord North seems really well. I have ridden him in his last two pieces of work and I think he is a little sharper than he was coming into the race last year. We are using this as a prep for the Dubai Turf again but I am hoping for a real big run. He just feels that bit more switched on than he was this time last year. He is the best horse in the race by far and hopefully he can show that."

Also representing the Gosdens is the 2021 winner Forest Of Dean (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}) and Harrovian (GB) (Leroidesanimaux {GB}) who races for Lord North's owner HH Sheikh Zayed bin Mohammed Racing. Cont. p8



Lord North is back in the Winter Derby | Racingfotos.com

## IN TON AMERICA TODAY

#### OAKLAWN PARK HOSTS 3YO STAKES

Oaklawn Park in Hot Springs, Arkansas, plays host to races for 3-yearolds with Classics aspirations in Saturday's GII Rebel S. and GIII Honeybee S.

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Godolphin's William Tell (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) ran out a 1 1/2-length winner of a Chantilly all-weather maiden on Friday. The winner is from the family of three-time Group 1-winning sire Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). | Scoop Dyga

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#### SAEZ WINS INTERNATIONAL JOCKEYS CHALLENGE

American-based jockey Luis Saez took the International Jockeys Challenge at King Abdulaziz Racetrack on Friday.

#### DETTORI NAMED WORLD POOL AMBASSADOR

Frankie Dettori, who is riding his final season, has been named a World Pool ambassador.

#### ANOTHER GROUP WIN FOR 'MOONLIGHT'

Godolphin homebred With The Moonlight (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) took the G2 Balanchine at Meydan Racecourse on Friday.

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#### Saudi Cup Preview cont.

"Several front-runners drew inside so there is going to be plenty of early speed," said trainer Yasuo Tomomichi. "I believe he can settle anywhere the jockey wants to be."

Panthalassa (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) is expected to be part of the early pace, as he drew the inside stall Wednesday. Having dead-heated for the victory in last year's G1 Dubai Turf, he ran a couple of blinders in defeat in the G2 Sapporo Kinen and particularly in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn), where he dared them to catch him after opening a monstrous lead and was only run down in the final yards. He makes a second start on dirt for the charismatic Yoshito Yahagi, who was matter of fact as relates to the draw.

"I never think about the numbers but number one should be a good number," he said. "There's only one instruction--gotta go!"

**Cafe Pharoah** (American Pharoah) is the most prolific Japanese Group 1 dirt horse and passed up an opportunity for a third straight February S. in favour of Saudi riches. He'll have to negotiate a trip from gate 13 with Joao Moreira up.

"Cafe Pharoah has won the [February S.], and if you're able to win that race, you have to have a lot of ability," the 'Magic Man' said. "I'd be very surprised if he runs a poor race. He's solid, strong, big, and apparently he knows what his job is. I'll be very surprised if he's not finishing in the top four."



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Though it would be no shock to see them run well, G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) hero **Geoglyph (Jpn)**, a son of American dirt sprint champion Drefong, and the well-traveled **Vin de Garde (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), right there in last year's Dubai Turf, would be nevertheless be considered upset winners, all things considered.

Preview cont. p4



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#### Saudi Cup Preview cont.

#### Don't Sleep On The Locals...

**Emblem Road** (Quality Road) gave the home team its first win with a stunning victory over **Country Grammer** (Tonalist) in the big race last year and is back to defend his title. Fifth as the surprising favourite in the G3 Grand Prix de Vichy--a lone start on the turf--last July, the 5-year-old resumed with a smooth four-length conditions success in strong time Jan. 13 (video, SC 4).

"I'm so happy with the number eight, he's a late horse from the gate, so I can be outside easily," said jockey Alexis Moreno. "He's doing very well, he's run well and I hope he can do it again."

The commonly owned **Scotland Yard** (Quality Road), a graduate of the Fasig-Tipton Horses of Racing Age Sale, has earned his way into the Saudi Cup with three wins on the trot, including a 10 1/4-length romp over Electability (Quality Road)—winner of a \$500,000 handicap Friday—in the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques Cup Jan. 28 (video, SC 16).



Scotland Yard sold at auction last summer | Fasig-Tipton

Saudi Arabia is also represented by the two females in the race, former Polish champion Lagertha Rhyme (Ire) (Gutaifan {Ire}) and Sunset Flash (Ire) (Mayson {GB}).

**Remorse (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) ships over from Dubai for Bhupat Seemar, having run a distant third to the G1 Dubai World Cupbound Algiers (Ire) (Shamardal) in the G2 Al Maktoum Challenge R2 at Meydan three weeks ago. --Alan Carasso

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#### Will Waters Part For Subjectivist In Red Sea Turf?

A baker's dozen line up in the G3 Longines Red Sea Turf H. over 3000 metres on grass, and the \$2.5-million dollar question is if multiple Group 1 winner **Subjectivist (GB)** (Teofilo {Ire}) has returned to his formidable best after overcoming a tendon injury and 600-plus days away from the races.

Trainer Charlie Johnston was still an assistant to his father, Mark, when the bay stormed to victories in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak in October of 2020, the G2 Dubai Gold Cup in March of 2021 and the G1 Gold Cup at Royal Ascot later that June. It is a big ask for the 6-year-old, but Johnston is happy with his star's progress.

"It is a feeling of the unknown," said Johnston. "We wouldn't be here if we didn't feel we would be competitive. Can I have the same confidence I had two years ago? No. This horse is coming back from a serious tendon injury, a tendon injury that in a lot of cases is career-ending. It is not like a bone injury that you know would have repaired to 100%.

"Stall 13 wouldn't have been my first choice of where to jump from, but it is what we've got and we just have to make the best of the situation.

"The horse seems in good fettle with himself and it's all systems go. I think he is showing the signs of a horse who has spent 20 months away from the track and he was always quite a difficult horse to lead up, particularly on a raceday going back a couple of years, so it doesn't concern me to see him full of himself."

John and Thady Gosden won the second running of the Saudi Cup with Mishriff (Ire) (Make Believe {GB}), and are back in Riyadh with **Trawlerman (Ire)** (Golden Horn {GB}) for this marathon affair. The 2022 Ebor H. winner carries the Godolphin blue, and was third after briefly leading in the G2 British Champions Long Distance Cup in October. **Cont. p5** 



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#### Red Sea H. cont.

"He's an Ebor winner who was able to make the step-up to group class when he was third in the Long Distance Cup on Champions Day at Ascot, so you would like to think he will continue to develop into a good stayer," the younger Gosden said. "But this is a very good race, not least with the return of Subjectivist, and he faces very tough competition in a very competitive handicap."

Japan's **Silver Sonic (Jpn)** (Orfevre {Jpn}) will be cutting back in trip on Saturday, after running out an 3/4-length winner of the 3600-metre G2 Sports Nippon Sho Stayers S. first off a sevenmonth hiatus on Dec. 3. The Shadai colourbearer is slotted into post one, near Darius Racing and Michael Motschmann's 2021 G1 Deutsches Derby victor **Sisfahan (Fr)** (Isfahan {Ger}), who leaves from stall three for trainer Henk Grewe. In between them is the outstandingly well-bred **Enemy (GB)** (Muhaarar {GB}), third in the G3 Sagaro S. for owners Tracey Bell and Caroline Lyons, from the yard of Ian Williams. If the last-named were to triumph, he would be the fourth group winner for his stakeswinning dam Prudenzia (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). --Heather Anderson



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#### Missed The Cut A Warm Order For Neom Turf Cup

Can George Boughey and Oisin Murphy get off to the best possible start together with **Missed The Cut** (Quality Road) in the G3 Neom Turf Cup?

Murphy has committed to riding Boughey's Royal Ascot winner this season and they will be bidding to get off to the best possible start in the \$1.5-million contest.

Missed The Cut is a short-priced favourite to get his campaign off with a bang and Boughey says that he is happy from what he is seeing from the 4-year-old in the build-up to the race.



Missed the Cut | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

"We're happy with him," Boughey said. "He beat the Dubai World Cup favourite [Algiers {Ire} (Shamardal)] on the all-weather at Lingfield back in November and he comes here in super shape so we are looking forward to it.

"The Algiers form is obviously good form. Algiers has taken his form to a different level on the dirt in Meydan and this is a whole different kettle of fish for Missed The Cut. It is a tight 10 and a bit furlongs [2100m] around the turf here. He has got plenty of pace and I'm hoping he should go well."

Missed The Cut could face stiffest opposition from fellow British raiders **Sir Busker (Ire)** (Sir Prancealot {Ire}), trained by William Knight, and John and Thady Gosden's **Mostahdaf (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}).

John Gosden said, "Mostahdaf is training well having had a nice break after the Arc when he didn't handle the very heavy conditions.

"He looks great and seems to be enjoying the warmer climate. He is a lightly raced colt, still with plenty of potential and he has Group-winning form between 10 and 12 furlongs [2000m to 2400m]."

The trainer added, "We don't have any campaign mapped out for him yet, we would like to take it step-by-step, but I'd be hopeful of a good showing tomorrow."

Meanwhile, Sir Busker comes into the Neom Cup off the back of a blowout under Ryan Moore on the all-weather, and the leading jockey remains loyal in Saturday's contest.

Knight said, "He's been in good order here and he arrives on the back of career-best form last year with a Group 2 win and a Group 1 place.

"He has come out of his prep a few weeks ago at Lingfield very well and Ryan Moore is back on him. We're hopeful of a big run." Cont. p6

#### **Neom Turf Cup cont.**

Bahrain-based veteran trainer Allan Smith will be hoping to grab the headlines with **Byline (GB)** (Muhaarar {GB}). Consistent throughout his career, the six-year-old comes into the contest after finishing third in the Listed Crown Prince Cup over 2000m on Feb. 3.

Speaking after morning track work on Friday, Smith said, "He breezed very well today. He galloped out good and was clean-winded. I'm very pleased with him."

In 2021, Al Adiyat and Smith were a close second in the 1351 Turf Sprint on Saudi Cup day with Dark Power (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). This year, they bring a similarly overlooked type into the meeting. Veteran jockey Gerald Mosse takes the reins from post three.

"He's taken everything in stride since he arrived and is a happy horse," Smith continued. "There wasn't much to do with him since he got over here from Bahrain. He's had a nice busy season and ran just a couple weeks ago. He ran a good race, but was a bit unlucky with a high draw and being wide throughout the entire race. He's better than that.

"He ran 10 furlongs [2000m] last time and this race is a little farther than that, but Bahrain has a big, sweeping track and this is a tighter track, which makes me think the distance won't be a problem. He's doing very well and we're hopeful for a good run." --Brian Sheerin

#### Lemaire Bids To Call The Tune Again On Songline



Songline looks to defend her title in the 1351 Turf Sprint

Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

While Richard Hannon is doubly represented in the following G3 1351 Turf Sprint by **Happy Romance (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) and **Lusail (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}), the race appears to be dominated by Japanese-trained runners, including last year's winner **Songline (Jpn)** (Kizuna {Jpn}).

Trained by Toru Hayashi, Songline will again be partnered by Christophe Lemaire, who rode four winners on this card 12 months ago.

Lemaire said of Songline's chances of a repeat win aboard the Japanese raider, "I think she is in better condition than last year. If I remember correctly last year, when I rode her in the morning, she was a little bit stiff. Today, I felt she was very smooth and her footwork was very good so I am more confident than last year."

He added, "She will have to show that she is a Group 1 horse. She had some issues last autumn but this morning she looked brilliant. All the staff did their best to bring the mare at her best for Saturday. She can stay the mile so it means that, if the pace is strong, you will need stamina in the last furlong. She has got that stamina."

Lauda Sion (Jpn) (Real Impact {Jpn}), winner of the G1 NHK Mile Cup in Japan, returns to the race he finished fourth in last year. He had a breeze on the dirt track under jockey Bauyrzhan Murzabayev on Friday and was reported by connections to be in good form.

Shigeki Todo, assistant to trainer Takashi Saito, said, "We prefer giving just a stretching-out breeze rather than fast gallop on the week of the race--it is our stable's routine. He looked under control this morning with the jockey which I always want to see."

Hannon's Happy Romance was third to Songline in this race last year and, along with Lusail, makes up a strong challenge for the trainer.

Hector Tournier, representing Hannon, said, "Both horses have done the work they needed at home. They travelled well and are easy horses." --Brian Sheerin

#### My Map Looks To Stay Unbeaten in Derby

Locally based **My Map** (Liam's Map) looks to run his unbeaten mark to five-from-five as he takes on an international group in the \$1.5-million G3 Saudi Derby Cup Saturday evening.

Winner of a pair of starts over the summer season at Ta'if, he returned from a three-month freshening to take a local allowance over 1400 metres and made it four in a row in the Saudi Derby Qualifier Jan. 27, defeating **Almulhem** (More Than Ready) by 2 1/4 lengths, with **Atta Alghali** (Karakontie {Jpn}) a further half-length adrift in third (video, SC 2). My Map drew 13 of 13.

Japan took the first two runnings of the Derby and will have a strong chance to add to that total here. **Continuar (Jpn)** (Drefong) makes his 3-year-old debut Saturday, having won two of his three trips to the post at home, including the Cattleya S. conditions race that serves as the first leg on the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby at Tokyo Nov. 26. **Cont. p7** 

#### Saudi Derby Cup cont.

His lone defeat came in his second career start at the hooves of **Derma Sotogake (Jpn)** (Mind Your Biscuits), who would go on to annex the second leg of the Kentucky Derby series, the Dec. 14 Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun. Third that day was Perriere (Jpn) (Henny Hughes), recent winner of the Listed Hyacinth S. to climb to the top of the Derby leaderboard. **From Dusk** (Bolt d'Oro), Group 2-placed on turf, and **Ecoro Ares** (Unified) look like fringe players from the barn of Hideyuki Mori, who saddled Full Flat (Speightstown) in 2020 and the late Pink Kamehameha (Jpn) (Leontes {Jpn}) the following year.

Bob Baffert won last year's renewal with Pinehurst (Twirling Candy) and is represented here by Havnameltdown (Uncaptured). Campaigned exclusively over six and seven furlongs to date, the Florida-bred won the GIII Bob Hope S. in November and tacked on a 1 1/2-length success in the GII San Vicente S. Jan. 29. He tries to see out the mile here with Frankie Dettori in the irons. --Alan Carasso



Havnameltdown | JCSA/Erika Rasmussen

#### From 'Prince' To King In Dirt Sprint?

Like many of the Saudi Cup night races, there is a high class Japanese presence in one form or another, and in the \$1.5-million G3 Riyadh Dirt Sprint Presented By Sports Boulevard, three runners from the Land of the Rising Sun have signed on.

Chizu Yoshida's **Dancing Prince (Jpn)** (Pas de Trois {Jpn}) is back to defend his title in the 1200-metre dirt feature, and will leave from stall seven in the nine-horse race under Damian Lane.

More likely to wind up in the winner's circle than not, the Chizu Yoshida runner has only lost once since his victory here, and defeated the re-opposing **Ryuno Yukina (Jpn)** (Vermilion {Jpn}) going this trip at Morioka in the Listed JBC Sprint on Nov. 3.

However, there is also a strong American contingent headed by Juddmonte's Eclipse Award-winning sprinter **Elite Power** (Curlin), who has won his last five starts for Hall of Famer Bill Mott. Frankie Dettori is booked for the entire, who splits the nine-horse field in gate five. A 1 1/4-length victor in the GI Qatar Racing Breeders' Cup Sprint in November, the 5-year-old is not the only Breeders' Cup participant, as GI Big Ass Fans Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile fourth and GI Hopeful S. scorer **Gunite** (Gun Runner) enters fresh off a victory in the Jan. 28 Listed King Cotton S. at Oaklawn Park. The Winchell Thoroughbreds' homebred leaves from stall two with Tyler Gaffalione in the irons for trainer Steve Asmussen, who recently celebrated his 10,000th career victory.

"Gunite has been training really well and as evidenced by his first performance as a 4-year-old, he's doing quite well," said David Fiske, who manages owner/breeder Winchell Thoroughbreds' racing and bloodstock. "I get videos almost every day of him since arriving in Saudi Arabia and he seems to be doing great there. The race has been in the back of our minds as an early goal since the Breeders' Cup. His race in the King Cotton increased our confidence that he could be effective in a race that, on paper, might appear to be a little short for him, distance-wise." --Heather Anderson



Dancing Prince winning last year's edition | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

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### **LUIS SAEZ WINS INTERNATIONAL JOCKEYS CHALLENGE AT SAUDI CUP**



Luis Saez: celebrates his win aboard Wajaab in the opening race Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia / Mathea Kelley

Leading US-based rider Luis Saez lifted the International Jockeys Challenge presented by stc at Riyadh racecourse on Friday.

It had turned out to be the ideal culmination for the competition with five of the 14 male and female riders from around the world still in with a chance of winning by the time of the last of the four legs.

Saez, who had ridden at the meeting before, ended up winning one race and finishing second in two others, including the Round 4 finale.

"It's super exciting, I want to say thank you to everybody for this magnificent moment--my family, well everybody, I'm pretty happy," he said.

"Over here I don't understand the form too much, I could only see how my horses ran last time and so I studied every horse, which was a bit difficult. But I had a good feeling, I have a lot of faith in my horses, I feel like they are going to run good and every horse ran pretty good so I'm pretty happy. I rode the horses like they told me, pretty much. When you break from the gate, when you are in a good position, be kind, be confident and try and win the race.

"This place is very special for me, I really love this course, I love the dirt, I love everything here, the people, I feel like this is home here."

Yuga Kawada filled the runner-up sport while British-based rider Joanna Mason, who gave an exhibition from the front in Round 2 aboard Medbaas (KSA) for Saad Bin Khiood, took the bronze medal.

"To come second in the last and win this has been amazing," Mason after victory aboard Medbaas.

"I just got told simple instructions, jump out, get to the rail because he likes being in front and push on from the 600m, he's all speed. That's what he did and he went on again.

"When the horse came to me he pulled out that bit extra. I'm not experienced on the dirt but it rides beautifully, I've been on a first and a second, I really can't complain!"

An amateur rider from as far back as 2006 who has also competed in jumps races, Mason has made a striking impression in a couple of full seasons as a professional, steering home 46 winners in Britain last year and has been clocking up many miles in the car during the current domestic all-weather season.

She continued, "To even be picked to be out here, as much as representing the UK and the rest of the world and the females, to have a second and a winner, I couldn't have asked for anything better. It's a dream come true, everyone has been so hospitable."

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#### **Lingfield Winter Derby cont.**

Forest Of Dean will be partnered by South African jockey Collen Storey, while Roger Varian pitches in Flaxman Stables' 2022 Easter Classic runner-up Tyrrhenian Sea (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}).

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## **DETTORI NAMED WORLD POOL AMBASSADOR**



Jockey Frankie Dettori will serve as a World Pool ambassador in his final season of racing | Mathea Kelley

Frankie Dettori, who is riding his final season in 2023, has been named a World Pool ambassador.

The partnership will see the Italian write regular blogs and content in advance of World Pool racedays this year, beginning with the second day of the \$30.35-million Saudi Cup meeting on Saturday, which features the \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup, and five Group 3 contests.

Dettori, who is riding 2022 Saudi Cup runner-up Country Grammer (Tonalist) in the 1800-metre Group 1, said, "I've got a lot of different places to visit on my final year in the saddle, so it's great to be working with World Pool who have also increased their reach to other countries and racetracks in 2023. From The Saudi Cup to Dubai and then onto all the major days in the UK and Ireland, it will hopefully be a very exciting season for all of us."

Michael Fitzsimons, Executive Director Wagering Products of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, added, "Having Frankie on board as a torchbearer in the final year of an incredible career is absolutely brilliant for World Pool. It's a huge year for Frankie and it's the same for World Pool after a record breaking 2022, and we couldn't be more thrilled to be partnering with a global icon who has done so much for the sport of horse racing."

For more information on the World Pool, please visit their website.

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## **BECKETT ELECTED TO SECOND TERM AS NTF PRESIDENT**



Ralph Beckett (r) | Tattersalls

Trainer Ralph Beckett was confirmed for a second term (2023/24) as the National Trainers Federation President following Thursday's NTF Annual General Meeting.

The NTF was also restructured during the AGM, with the intent to introduce a consultation model, so that the views of trainers are always accurately reflected in industry discussions. British Horseracing Authority (BHA) Chairman Joe Saumarez Smith, Neil Hayward (Industry People Board, Chair) and BHA Chief Operating Officer Richard Wayman also addressed NTF members regarding how the BHA will fulfil its leadership role in

the new industry structure.

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## THOROUGHBID MARCH CATALOGUE **AVAILABLE**

The 37-lot ThoroughBid March Sale catalogue is now online. Set for Mar. 3 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on the ThoroughBid online platform, the sale features several entries from Ronan McNally including the 2020 Troytown winner The Jam Man (Ire) (Papal Bull {GB}) (lot 5) and Grade 2 scorer **Dreal Deal (Ire)** (Arvico {Fr}) (lot 17).

Besides the horses-in-training, broodmares, and other young stock, there are also breeding rights available in Legends Of War (lot 28), Roseman (Ire) (lot 32) and established stallion Charming Thought (GB) (lot 36).

James Richardson, CEO of ThoroughBid, said, "We are delighted with the March Sale's offerings--our most varied mixed sale yet with the exciting additions of breeding rights to three quality UK-based stallions.

"It's also great to be entrusted by a trainer with another set of quality horses, like The Jam Man and Dreal Deal. These are two classy dual-purpose horses who'll give their new connections plenty of great days ahead and could be aimed at the spring festivals"

"With plenty of black-type running through the catalogue, the broodmare and young stock entries have some great potential and we're very much looking forward to seeing how they sell and what they go on to do with their new connections.

"Our £5,000 Point2Rules Bonus is a really valuable incentive for buyers and, as so many of Britain and Ireland's top horses start out in Point-to-Points, it's a highly achievable bonus."

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The Jam Man | ThoroughBid

## BRITAIN

#### **CONDITIONS RESULT:**

3rd-Wolverhampton, £10,000, 2-24, 3-5yo, 9f 104y (AWT), 2:03.11, st.

DAYZEE (IRE) (f, 3, Mastercraftsman {Ire}--Lizzy's Township **(SW, \$102,580), by Delaware Township)** Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$14,171. O-Mrs A Gillies & Manton Park; B-Mrs Louise Quinn (IRE); T-Martyn Meade. \*€21,000 RNA Ylg '21 GOFSPT.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Latin Verse (GB), g, 3, Postponed (Ire)--Parnell's Dream (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). Lingfield, 2-24, 12f (AWT), 2:33.87. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$10,930. B-Mr & Mrs David Aykroyd (GB).

## **IRELAND**

#### Friday's Result:

**2nd-Dundalk,** €**15,000, Mdn**, 2-24, 3yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:43.80, st. MISS CARUSO (IRE) (f, 3, Sioux Nation--School Run {Ire}, by Invincible Spirit (Ire)), fourth over seven furlongs here last month, tracked the leader racing three-wide early. In front approaching the furlong marker, the 9-2 second favourite asserted to beat Curvature (Ire) (Lope De Vega (Ire)) by half a length.



Miss Caruso (left) | Racingfotos.com

The dam, who produced the G3 Tattersalls Somerville S. third Harrow (Ire) (El Kabeir), is a half to the listed-winning and stakes-placed Noor Sahara (Ire) (Lope De Vega (Ire)) from the family of the five-times Group 1-winning European champion and sire Dream Ahead and the G3 Princess Margaret S. scorer and G1 Cheveley Park S. runner-up Princess Noor (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)). She also has a 2-year-old filly by Churchill (Ire) bought by Meridian International for €135,000 at the Goffs Orby, and a yearling colt by Ghaiyyath (Ire) who fetched 240,000gns when knocked down to J R Bloodstock at the Tattersalls December Foal Sale. Sales history: £50,000 Ylg '21 TATIRY. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$10,315.

O-Shamrock Thoroughbreds & A Zevenbergen; B-School Run Bloodstock (IRE); T-Adrian McGuinness.

#### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Maid To Shine (Ire), f, 4, Dandy Man (Ire)--Shine A Star (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). Dundalk, 2-24, 7f (AWT), 1:27.93. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-2, \$9,968. B-Ballycrighaun Stud (IRE).

## **FRANCE**

#### Friday's Results:

**1st-Chantilly,** €**28,000, Cond**, 2-24, 3yo, 8f (AWT), 1:39.25, st. BELINSKOV (FR) (g, 3, Mehmas {Ire}--Al Shahaniya {Ire}, by **Zoffany (Ire))**, who scored over 9 1/2 furlongs here last month, recovered from a tardy start to press the early pace. In front and at work two out, the 17-10 favourite stayed on stoutly to prevail by a length from Mount Tambora (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}). The dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Toronado (Ire) and a yearling colt by Wooded (Ire), hails from the family of Mehmas's GI Del Mar Oaks heroine and multiple Grade II scorer Going Global (Ire), the G3 Dubai International Airport World Trophy winner Mitbaahy (Ire) (Profitable {Ire}) and the G1 Cheveley Park S. winner Tiggy Wiggy (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}). Sales history: €140,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €27,500. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Alain Jathiere, Ecurie X & Ecurie Vivaldi; B-N A Al-Mesned & A T Al-Mehshadi (FR); T-Stephane Wattel.



**Belinskov** | Scoop Dyga

**3rd-Chantilly, €27,000, Mdn**, 2-24, 3yo, c/g, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.15, st.

WILLIAM TELL (FR) (g, 3, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Lucerne {GB}, by Frankel {GB}), gelded after a no-show at Deauville in August, broke awkwardly from his wide draw before tanking to the front under Arthur Mosse claiming eight pounds. In control in the home straight, the 17-2 shot was coaxed to a comfortable 1 1/2-length success from Monapia (Fr) (Harry Angel {Ire}). The winner is the first of two foals so far out of the unraced dam, who is a half-sister to the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S., G1 Prix du Moulin de Longchamp and G1 Prix Jean Prat-winning sire Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Also connected to the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Dream And Do (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}), her 2-year-old filly is by Lope De Vega (Ire). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, €18,900. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Godolphin SNC; B-Ecurie des Monceaux (FR); T-Andre Fabre.

#### **CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**2nd-Chantilly**, €**18,000**, 2-24, 4yo/up, 9f (AWT), 1:52.22, st. **FORT PAYNE (FR) (h, 5, Rio De La Plata--Lady Verde {Fr}, by Meshaheer)** Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Fr, 13-5-3-1, €133,245. O-Alain Jathiere, Mme Philippe Demercastel & Nicolas Caullery; B-Mme P Demercastel (FR); T-Nicolas Caullery.

**1st-Monty-de-Marsan, €15,000**, 2-24, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:18.40, vs.

SPELL ON YOU (IRE) (f, 4, Caravaggio--Nature Spirits {Fr} {SW-Fr}, by Beat Hollow {GB}) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, €40,650. O-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd; B-Niarchos Family (IRE); T-Philippe Sogorb. \*€120,000 RNA HRA '22 ARQDEC. \*\*1/2 to Ghostwatch (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), SW-Eng & SP-Fr, \$239,071.

#### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

Khabesa (Fr), f, 3, Al Wukair (Ire)--Khadima (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Zamindar. Breeder:Haras Du Hoguenet, P Nataf & H Mazeaud. Chantilly, 2-24, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:19.12. B-Haras du Hoguenet, P Nataf & H Mazeaud (FR). \*€20,000 Ylg '21 ARQNOV.



#### **IN AUSTRALIA:**

Wineglass Bay (Ire), g, 4, New Bay (GB)--Lady Penko (Fr) (SW & G1SP-Fr, \$107,705), by Archipenko. Canterbury, 2-24, Hcp., 1900mT, 1:58.63. B-Ballylinch Stud. \*75,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT.

#### IN THE UAE:

With The Moonlight (Ire), f, 4, Frankel (GB). See 'Middle East' Colour Up (Ire), g, 5, Mehmas (Ire). See 'Middle East' Taamol (Ire), g, 9, Helmet (Aus). See 'Middle East'

#### **IN SAUDI ARABIA:**

Hapipi Go Lucky (Ire), f, 4, Mehmas (Ire)--Hapipi (GB), by Bertolini. King Abdulaziz, 2-24, Hcp. (\$400k), 1200mT. B-Tally-Ho Stud. \*£26,000 Ylg '20 GOFSEP; 11,000gns HRA '21 TATAUT. VIDEO (SC 16)

Qaader (Ire), h, 5, Night of Thunder (Ire)--Redinha (GB), by Dansili (GB). King Abdulaziz, 2-24, Hcp. (\$500k), 2100mT. B-Patricia Walsh. \*MGSP-Eng. \*\*€44,000 Ylg '19 GOFFEB; 110,000gns HRA '19 TATAUT. VIDEO (SC 1)

Starcat (GB), g, 6, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Purr Along (GB) (GSW-Fr & Ire, MGSP-Eng, \$209,800), by Mount Nelson (GB). King Abdulaziz, 2-24, Hcp. (\$400k), 2100mT. B-Qatar Bloodstock & Newsells Park Stud. \*125,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT. VIDEO (SC 8)



Qaader and Alberto Sanna win the \$500,000 Saudi International H. Friday at King Abdulaziz Racecourse | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

#### IN BAHRAIN:

Noble Mark (Ire), g, 4, Animal Kingdom--Above the Mark, by Street Cry (Ire). Sakhir, 2-24, Hcp., 2400mT, 2:29.13.

B-Tinnakill Bloodstock. \*25,000gns RNA Wlg '19 TATDEF; £37,000 Ylg '20 GOFSEP; 75,000gns HRA '22 TATAUT.

VIDEO (SC 1)

The Covex Kid (Ire), g, 4, Mehmas (Ire)--Fonseca (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire). Sakhir, 2-24, National Bank of Bahrain Cup (NBT, Bhr-G2), 1800mT, 1:47.80. B-Randolf Stevens Ltd. \*€8,500 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; £26,000 Ylg '20 TATSEP; £168,000 HRA '22 TATAUG. VIDEO (SC 2)

Instinctive Move (GB), c, 4, Showcasing (GB)--Peach Melba (GB) (SW-Ger, \$102,959), by Dream Ahead. Sakhir, 2-24, National Bank of Bahrain Cup (NBT, Bhr-G2), 1200mT, 1:10.58. B-R Kent & Executors of Lady Lonsdale. \*75,000gns Wlg '19 TATDEF; 90,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT. VIDEO (SC 6)



#### **IN NEW ZEALAND:**

**Decision Time (NZ)**, f, 3, **Time Test (GB)**--Sound Decision (NZ), by Volksraad (GB). Riccarton, 2-24, Maiden, 1200mT, 1:12.95. B-B W & Mrs R A Wilson. VIDEO

## WITH THE MOONLIGHT WALTZES TO **VICTORY IN BALANCHINE** by Heather Anderson



With The Moonlight | Dhric/AK/DRC

Godolphin homebred With The Moonlight (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) handled the 1800-metre trip of the G2 Balanchine S. without incident to collect her second win in two starts in the desert on Friday.

Tugging a bit from the bell, the well-traveled 4-year-old shadowed front-running Lyrical Poetry (Ire) (Lope De Vega (Ire)) throughout the backstraight. Pilot William Buick had his hands full, but once noses pointed toward home, With The Moonlight churned up to Lyrical Poetry's hindquarters and was sitting on go. Edging up to even terms with 500 metres still to travel, the Saeed bin Suroor-trained filly found more and strode away to win impressively by 4 1/2 lengths over a stubborn Lyrical Poetry. Ascot Brass (Swe) (Juniper Tree {Ire}) had saved all the ground along the inside, and stuck on to take third by a short head.

Listed-placed at two, With The Moonlight was first or second in four of her five 2022 starts, including when playing the bridesmaid to McKulick (GB) (Frankel {GB}) in the GI Belmont Oaks Invitational S. in July. She got the better of that rival in the GIII Saratoga Oaks Invitational S. upstate at Saratoga a month later, and found only Haughty (Empire Maker) too good in the

GII Lake Placid S. at the Spa on Aug. 20. Back in the winner's circle in the G2 Cape Verdi going a mile here on Feb. 3, she is likely to once again pack her bags for an American summer campaign.

"She came on for the Cape Verdi in every way and the nine furlongs [1800 metres] suits her better than the mile," said Buick. "She's really getting the hang of it now. She has a good bit of class and does everything the right way."

#### **Pedigree Notes**

Sand Vixen celebrated her biggest day in the sun with a onelength victory in the G2 Flying Childers S. in 2009. As a broodmare, the half-sister to stakes winner So Will I (GB) (Inchinor {GB}) has foaled the star-crossed G1 Jebel Hatta hero Dream Castle (GB) (Frankel {GB}), a full-brother to the winner, as well as sophomore filly Catch A Star (Ire) (Cracksman {GB}), a Blue Point (Ire) juvenile filly and a colt of 2022 by Earthlight (Ire).

Friday, Meydan, Dubai

**BALANCHINE PRESENTED BY LAND ROVER-G2**, \$180,000, Meydan, 2-24, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT, 1:49.47, gd.

1--WITH THE MOONLIGHT (IRE), 130, f, 4, by Frankel (GB) 1st Dam: Sand Vixen (GB) (GSW-Eng, \$119,931), by Dubawi (Ire)

> 2nd Dam: Fur Will Fly (GB), by Petong (GB) 3rd Dam: Bumpkin (GB), by Free State (Ire)

O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby; J-William Buick. \$108,000. Lifetime Record: SW-Eng, GSW & GISP-US, 11-6-2-1, \$815,271. \*Full to Dream Castle (GB) (Frankel {GB}), MGSP-Eng, G1SW-UAE, GSP-Tur, \$863,725. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. \*Triple Plus\*. Click for the eNicks report & 5cross pedigree.

- 2--Lyrical Poetry (Ire), 126, f, 4, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Luce (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O/B-Ballygallon Stud Ltd (IRE); T-Johnny Murtagh. \$36,000.
- 3--Ascot Brass (Swe), 126, m, 6, Juniper Tree (Ire)--By the Book (Ire), by Definite Article (GB). O-Stall Valley; B-Sigfridsson Tor Harry (SWE); T-Niels Petersen. \$18,000.

Margins: 4HF, SHD, 2 1/4.

Also Ran: Iron Butterfly (Swe), Kennella (Fr), Katoucha (Fr), In Time (Fr), Tranquil Lady (Ire). VIDEO.



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## MIDDLE EAST

#### Friday's Results:

**6th-Meydan, \$200,000, Cond.**, 3yo, 10fT, 2:04.58, gd. **SHARAR (c, 3, Gun Runner--Sacre Coeur, by Saint Ballado)** took four tries to break his maiden, but surged to a four-length victory once sent beyond a mile in an 1800-metre affair here on Feb. 5. Glued to the rail and racing with a very low head carriage, the chestnut shifted away from the fence as the field began to curve back toward the stands. Never out of touch with the vanguard, Sharar began to go through his gears inside the final 500 metres, but he lacked room and was waiting for a gap just over a furlong from the wire. A hole appeared at the furlong grounds, and he charged through, cruising alongside One Nation (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), and just pipping him for the neck victory.



**Sharar** | *Dhric/AK/DRC* 

"It got a little bit tight and I had to wait for the gap for a long time," said Adrie De Vries. "It didn't really go to plan, but he would have been unlucky to lose as he travelled really well. He's only half the size of some of these other horses, but he has a lot of quality. I'd be happy to put him away now as he needs to fill out and then he'll be a proper horse next season." The winner is a half-brother to Eclipse champion turf female Lady Eli (Divine Park), the winner of five Grade I races Stateside; dual U.S. Grade III winner Bizzy Caroline (Afleet Alex); Princesa Caroline (American Pharoah) (GSP-US); and the dam of Sacred (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), who claimed the G2 Hungerford S. and G3 Nell Gwyn S. Sacre Coeur has a 2-year-old filly by American Pharoah still to come, and she visited Claiborne Farm's Blame last season. Sharar is also kin to Canadian champion 2-year-old dilly Spring In The Air (Spring At Last), the heroine of the 2012 GI Darley Alcibiades S; 2016 GI Spinaway S. winner Sweet Loretta (Tapit), 2011 G1 Irish 1000 Guineas third and G2 Debutante S. winner Laughing Lashes (Mr. Greeley); 2005 G1 Racing Post Trophy victor Palace Episode (Machiavellian);

and GI La Brea S. winner Spiced Perfection (Smiling Tiger). Sales history: \$250,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$600,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$140,242. **VIDEO.** 

O-KHK Racing; B-Runnymede Farm Inc, & Catesby W Clay Investment 2 LLC (KY); T-Fawzi Nass.

#### ——Runnymede Farm Bred

**2nd-Meydan, \$75,000, Hcp.**, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.16, ft.

COLOUR UP (IRE) (g, 5, Mehmas {Ire}--Tifariti, by Elusive Quality) earned his first win over this track and trip at third asking on Dec. 1, and shortened up to 1000 metres at Jebel Ali, won again on Dec. 17. Returned to this oval, he was second to Rawy (Frosted) in a 1200-metre handicap on Jan. 20. Away in good order, Patrick Dobbs had the 5-year-old gelding in a nice rhythm in midfield. Inching toward the vanguard with every stride on the turn, he pounced on Zawaaya (GB) (Oasis Dream (GB) at the 300-metre mark and promptly drew off to win as he pleased by 5 1/2 lengths. Vasari (Muhaarar {GB}) was best of the rest in second. "He relaxed a lot better tonight and when I gave him a squeeze halfway around the bend, he lit up and quickened like a really good horse," said Dobbs. "He doesn't want to be running that often so the [G3] Jebel Ali Sprint could be the plan if he's OK." Plucked for just 16,000gns out of the Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale (video), the Tally-Ho Stud-bred is one of six foals and three winners out of the late Tifariti. Her last produce is a juvenile filly by Inns Of Court (Ire). Second dam Sahara Star (GB) (Green Desert) won the G3 Molecomb S., and is the granddam of top-class sprinter and Group 1 sire Dream Ahead (Diktat {GB}), as well as the great-granddam of dual Group 1 winner Fairyland (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) and multiple group winner Now Or Never (Ire) (Bushranger {Ire}), who was third in the 2016 G1 Irish 1000 Guineas. Sales history: 16,000gns 2yo '20 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$93,749. VIDEO.



Colour Up | Dhric/AK/DRC

**4th-Meydan, \$150,000, Cond.**, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:36.92, gd. MAWJ (IRE) (f, 3, Exceed And Excel {Aus}--Modern Ideals {GB}, by New Approach (Ire)) named a 'TDN Rising Star' after a 4 3/4-length Newmarket romp at first asking in May, the bay was second in the G3 Albany S. at Royal Ascot, before she defeated subsequent Group 1 winner and Cartier Champion 2-Year-Old Filly Lezoo (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}) in the G2 Duchess Of Cambridge S. back at Newmarket in July. Third to that rival two starts later in the G1 Cheveley Park S., the Godolphin homebred has been flawless at Meydan, having earlier taken the 1400metre Jumeirah Fillies Classic over soft ground on Jan. 27 prior to her Friday heroics. In front midway down the backstretch, the Saeed bin Suroor trainee travled nicely beneath a motionless Daniel Tudhope. Slipped an inch of rein just before the quarterpole, she glided effortlessly away to an 8 1/2-length domination, with fellow Godolphin runner, Charlie Appleby charge and G3 Prestige Fillies' S. victress Fairy Cross (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) a distant second. "Obviously the trip was unknown," said Tudhope. "I didn't really want to make it [the running], but there was no one going on and she has plenty of speed. She pricked her ears and came back to me and felt very good. We know she stays a mile now." "As we know, she has plenty of speed," added Bin Suroor. "She's a nice filly and she has improved a lot. The boss [Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum] will decide where she goes next. She could go to the [G2] UAE Derby but it's 9 1/2 furlongs (1900metres) so more likely we will take her back to Newmarket [for the G1 1000 Guineas] or maybe the [G1] French Guineas." Although Modern Ideals failed to win, she has more than made up for it as a broodmare, with her six foals--five of racing age-including 2022 Eclipse Champion Turf Male Modern Games (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Ch. Turf Male-US, GSW & MG1SP-Eng, MGISW-US, G1SW-Fr, GISW-Can, \$3,176,716, who won both the GI Breeders' Cup Mile and GI Woodbine Mile last term; as well as Modern News (GB) (Shamardal) (SW & MGSP-Eng, MSP-UAE, \$211,546), a stakes winner in England and placed in both the G3 Diomed S. and G3 Sovereign S. Mawj is her latest to race, but there is an unnamed 2-year-old Mastercraftsman (Ire) filly yet to come. Modern Ideals is also a half-sister to group winners Ultra (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}), who won the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere and is now a Darley sire at Haras du Logis, and G3 Prix Minerve heroine Synopsis (Ire) (In The Wings (Ire)). Third dam Proskona (Mr. Prospector) won a brace of group races in Italy, and is also the ancestress of GII Canadian H. heroine Calista (GB) (Caerleon), dual Group 1 winner Act One (GB) (In The Wings {GB}), who later served at stud, and the Grade/Group 1-placed trio of Summer Solo (Arch), Summer Symphony (Ire) (Caerleon) and Gharir (Ire) (Machiavellian). Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Eng, 7-4-1-1, \$303,972. VIDEO.

O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

**1st-Meydan, \$60,000, Hcp.**, 3yo, 7f, 1:25.13, ft. **AH JEEZ (c, 3, Mendelssohn--Poetic, by Violence)** was making his dirt and Meydan bow on Friday, and he ran off to win the opener by 2 1/4 lengths from Sharp Army (Sharp Azteca), emulating his Coolmore Ashford-based sire, who turned in a 18 1/2-length stunner in the G2 UAE Derby five years ago. Part of the early pace discussion, the bay, bearing the distinctive black hood and scarlet O'Neill shadow roll, avoided kickback out in the five-path just behind the pacesetters. Able to save a bit of ground on the far turn, he was always making steady improvement once the real running began at the quarter pole and quickly put the race to bed. Steaming home from there, it was always only a matter of how far for the son of the winning Poetic.



Ah Jeez | Dhric/AK/DRC

"It was very straightforward," said Buick. "That's his first start on dirt ever and I got a nice position just behind the leaders and out of the kickback. You just hoped that he would pick up on the surface as well as he did on turf." O'Neill added, "He ran just the way we hoped. He'd been training well but you never really know until they run a race. Being a son of Mendelssohn we thought he would be OK on the dirt and it couldn't have worked out any better." The 3-year-old broke his maiden at second asking at Del Mar last August, and was fourth in the GIII Del Mar Juvenile Turf S. there a month later, before earning black-type when third in the Listed Speakeasy S. at Santa Anita in October. Later in 2022, he would take an allowance optional claimer on Veteran's Day, but was only fourth in the GIII Cecil B. DeMille S. back over the Del Mar grass on Dec. 4. Selected by Steve Rothblum for \$55,000 out of the OBS Spring Sale last year after breezing a furlong in :10.2, the March-foaled colt is followed by half-brothers by Kantharos and Game Winner in 2021 and 2022, respectively. His dam, herself a half-sister to Listed Arlington-Washington Lassie S. heroine Into Trouble (Into Mischief), the duo daughters of GII Hollywood Oaks runner-up Smooth

Performer (Benchmark), was covered by Horse of the Year Knicks Go last spring. Third dam Smooth Player (Bertrand) struck three times at the Grade II level in California, and was runner-up in the 1999 GI Del Mar Oaks. Sales history: \$77,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$55,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: SP-US, 9-3-0-1, \$157,074. VIDEO.

O-Mark Davis; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Doug O'Neill.

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#### **HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**2nd-Meydan, \$75,000, Hcp.**, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:23.08, gd.

TAAMOL (IRE) (g, 9, Helmet {Aus}--Supreme Seductress {Ire}, by Montjeu {Ire}) Lifetime Record: MSW-UAE, SW-Eng, 45-8-3-1, \$383,755. O-Shadwell; B-Derek Gibbons, Tomas Kerin & Ann Gibbons (IRE); T-Ali Al Badwawi. \*95,000gns Wlg '14 TATFOA; 140,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT. VIDEO

**7th-Meydan, \$75,000, Hcp.**, NH4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 8f, 1:38.43, ft.

STREET MOOD (c, 4, Street Boss--Tizacity, by Tizway) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-2, \$104,065. O-Jumaa Mubarak Al Junaibi; B-Three Lyons Racing LLC & HTH Enterprises (KY); T-Musabbeh Al Mheiri. \*\$67,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; £20,000 2yo '21 GORJUN. VIDEO

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## GOLDEN SIXTY, ROMANTIC WARRIOR CLASH IN HK GOLD CUP by Alan Carasso

It was a battle royale in last month's G1 Stewards' Cup, as Hong Kong's three top-rated gallopers--two emerging from victories at the Longines Hong Kong International Races meeting in December--faced off. At the end of 1600 thrilling metres and having delivered excellent theatre as advertised, two-time reigning Horse of the Year Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro) showed there was still a fair bit of life left in the tyres when defeating G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup hero Romantic Warrior (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) and G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile victor California Spangle (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}). While the latter awaits next month's G1 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup, Romantic Warrior is likely to go favoured while stepping back out to his best gig in Sunday's 2000-metre G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup.

While Golden Sixty is a two-time winner going 10 furlongs, including this event in 2021--albeit by the skin of his teeth--Romantic Warrior is the jurisdiction's best over the trip, having won the BMW Hong Kong Derby and G1 FWD QE II Cup last preparation before adding the Hong Kong Cup at the end of December.

"He's [Romantic Warrior] good, he's happy--there's been no problems," said trainer Danny Shum. "It all depends on the draw, but he should be able to sit third, fourth or fifth [in the run]."

Romantic Warrior has gate six in a field of seven.

As for Golden Sixty, his jockey Vincent Ho is actually of the opinion that the 7-year-old is just now close to being a furnished product.

"He used to fight a lot, but not anymore and when I ask him for the effort, he will give it to me straight away," said Ho. "He's been really good this season.

"Romantic Warrior obviously has proven very, very good at 2000 metres and he will be very hard to beat. He's one of the best horses in Hong Kong."

Golden Sixty departs from the four hole Sunday.

The afternoon's co-featured event is the second leg of the local 4-year-old series, the Hong Kong Classic Cup over the 1800 metres.

Jamie Kah jets back in to renew her partnership with **Voyage Bubble (Aus)** (Deep Field {Aus}), who she rode a treat from the front to take out the Hong Kong Classic Mile Jan. 29. The Ricky Yiu trainee could be the speed of the speed again, but should get at least some pressure from the likes of Happy Valley specialist **Encountered (Ire)** (Churchill {Ire}). That could help set things up a bit for **Tuchel (NZ)** (Redwood {GB}), the ride of Zac Purton, who was inconvenienced by the lack of pace when runner-up in the Classic Mile, while **Super Sunny Sing (Aus)** (Nicconi {Aus}) looms a threat with further improvement for Ho. He rides a three-race winning streak into the Classic Cup, including a convincing success going a mile in Class 3 Jan. 24.

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#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #8, post time: 12:35 p.m. EST

#### **SAUDI CUP S.-G1**, \$20,000,000, 4yo/up, 1800m

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	7	Panthalassa (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Hiroo Race Co. Ltd	Yahagi	Yoshida	126
2	10	Taiba	Gun Runner	Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.	Baffert	Smith	126
3	3	Crown Pride (Jpn)	Reach the Crown (Jpn)	Teruya Yoshida	Shintani	Lane	126
4	9	Scotland Yard 🖛	Quality Road	HRH Prince Saud bin Salman bin Abdulaziz	Almulawah	Gutierrez	126
5	13	Sunset Flash (Ire) (f)	Mayson (GB)	Faihan Almandeel	Almandeel	Alsarhani	121
6	6	Jun Light Bolt (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Junji Kawai	Tomomichi	Moore	126
7	8	Remorse (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Al Rashid Stables, LLC	Seemar	O'Shea	126
8	4	Emblem Road 🛪	Quality Road	HRH Prince Saud bin Salman bin Abdulaziz	Almulawah	Moreno	126
9	11	Vin de Garde (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Shadai Race Horse Co. Ltd.	Fujiwara	Barzalona	126
10	2	Country Grammer 🛪	Tonalist	Commonwealth Thoroughbreds, LLC,	Baffert	Dettori	126
				Winstar Farm LLC & Zedan Racing Stables			
11	12	Lagertha Rhyme (Ire) (f)	Gutaifan (Ire)	HRH Prince Abdulaziz Bin Fahd	Almandeel	Ferreira	121
12	5	Geoglyph (Jpn)	Drefong	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd.	Kimura	Lemaire	126
13	1	Cafe Pharoah	American Pharoah	Koichi Nishikawa	Hori	Moreira	126

Breeders: 1-PANGLOSS Y.K., Toshihiro Hirosaki et al., 2-Bruce C. Ryan, 3-Shadai Farm, 4-Bridlewood Farm, 5-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 6-Northern Racing, 7-Godolphin, 8-Brushy Hill, LLC, 9-Shadai Farm, 10-Scott Pierce & Debbie Pierce, 11-Mrs Bena Hickey, 12-Northern Farm, 13-Paul P. Pompa

#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #5, post time: 10:25 a.m. EST

#### LONGINES RED SEA TURF H.-G3, \$2,500,000, 4yo/up, 3000mT

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	7	Silver Sonic (Jpn)	Orfevre (Jpn)	Shadai Race Horse Co. Ltd.	Ikee	Lane	125
2	3	Enemy (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Bell, Tracey and Lyons, Caroline	Williams	Kingscote	128
3	8	Sisfahan (Fr)	Isfahan (Ger)	Darius Racing and Motschmann, Michael	Grewe	Mitchell	125
4	5	Big Call 🖛	Animal Kingdom	Christophe Ferland	Ferland	Guyon	125
5	10	Nate The Great (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Mildmay Racing and Caslon, D. H.	Balding	Murphy	123
6	9	My Frankel (GB)	Frankel (GB)	HRH Prince Faisal Bin Khaled	Alshoieb	Doyle	123
7	13	Pin Your Hopes (Ire)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Faihan Almandeel	Almandeel	Ospina	120
8	11	Echt (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Yu Hirai	Mori	Kawada	122
9	2	Trawlerman (Ire)	Golden Horn (GB)	Godolphin, LLC	Gosden	Dettori	129
10	12	Master Gatsby (Fr)	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	Haif Mohammad Abood Alqhtani Sons	Rezaiq	Alfouraidi	120
11	4	Al Qareem (Ire)	Awtaad (Ire)	Nick Bradley Racing 33 and Burke	Burke	Moore	125
12	6	Get Shirty (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Akela Thoroughbreds Limited	O'Meara	Tudhope	125
13	1	Subjectivist (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Dr. J Walker	Johnston	Fanning	137

Breeders: 1-Shadai Farm, 2-Ecurie Des Monceaux & Skymarc Farm Inc, 3-Guy Pariente Holding, 4-Spruce Lane Farm, Copper Beach Stables, Grand Crue Farm, et al, 5-Mildmay Bloodstock & D. H. Caslon, 6-Newsells Park Stud, 7-Peter & Hugh McCutcheon, 8-Yu Hirai, 9-Godolphin, 10-Haras de Saint Julien, 11-Shadwell Estate Company Limited, 12-Haras du Mont Dit Mont, 13-Mascalls Stud



#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #3, post time: 9:05 a.m. EST

#### NEOM TURF CUP S. PRESENTED BY ALTANFEETHI-G3, \$1,500,000, 4yo/up, 2100mT

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Eagle's Flight (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	HRH Prince Abdulaziz Bin Fahad	Almandeel	Barzalona	126
2	3	Dubai Future (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	bin Suroor	Tudhope	126
3	1	Byline (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Al Adiyat Racing	Smith	Mosse	126
4	7	Mostahdaf (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Shadwell Estate Company Ltd	Gosden	Crowley	126
5	2	Castle (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	HRH Prince Saud bin Salman bin Abdulaziz	Almulawah	Moreno	126
6	5	Flying Visit (Ire)	Pride Of Dubai (Aus)	Mohammad S M Almutairi	Al Harabi	Ferreira	126
7	8	Peter The Great (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Bander Abdullah M. Almutairi	Alghareeban	Ospina	126
8	9	Sir Busker (Ire)	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Kennet Valley Thoroughbreds XI Racing	Knight	Moore	126
9	6	Missed the Cut 🖛	Quality Road	Babington, Lanes End, St Elias and Hudson	Boughey	Murphy	126
10	11	White Moonlight (f)	Medaglia d'Oro	Godolphin, LLC	bin Suroor	Cosgrave	121
11	10	Star of Wins (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Refaei Sanat Alghuraban	Fawaz	Almaimoni	126

**Breeders:** 1-John Connaughton, 2-Godolphin, 3-Toby Barker, 4-Shadwell Estate Company Limited, 5-Wertheimer et Frere, 6-J. S. Bolger, 7-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd, 8-Ms Ann Foley, 9-Framont LTD, 10-Godolphin, 11-Sunderland Holdings Inc

#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #4, post time: 9:45 a.m. EST

#### 1351 TURF SPRINT S. PRESENTED BY STC-G3, \$1,500,000, 4yo/up, 1351mT

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	9	Happy Romance (Ire) (f)	Dandy Man (Ire)	The McMurray Family	Hannon	Levey	121
2	11	Songline (Jpn) (f)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd.	Hayashi	Lemaire	121
3	7	Raaed (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Sharaf Mohammed S. Al Hariri	Alsubaie	Ferreira	126
4	3	Garrus (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Mrs. Susan Roy	Hills	Crowley	126
5	5	Lusail (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Al Shaqab Racing	Hannon	Doyle	126
6	2	Casa Creed 🖛	Jimmy Creed	LRE Racing LLC & JEH Racing Stable LLC	Mott	Saez	126
7	1	Bathrat Leon (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Hiroo Race Co. Ltd	Yahagi	Sakai	126
8	4	Lauda Sion (Jpn)	Real Impact (Jpn)	Silk Racing Co. Ltd.	Saito	Murzabayev	126
9	10	Resistencia (Jpn) (f)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Carrot Farm Co. Ltd	Matsushita	Moore	121
10	6	Pogo (Ire)	Zebedee (GB)	Woodward, Gary and Linnet	Hills	Shoemark	126
11	8	Rozgar (Ire)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Haif Mohammed Algahtani	Rezaiq	Alfouraidi	126

**Breeders:** 1-Redpender Stud Ltd, 2-Northern Farm, 3-J. Hanly, A. Stroud and T. Stewart, 4-Mrs Max Morris, 5-Tally-Ho Stud, 6-Silver Springs Stud, LLC, 7-Mishima Bokujo, 8-Shunsuke Yoshida, 9-Northern Farm, 10-Thomas Foy, 11-Haras de Son Altesse l'Aga Khan SCEA

#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #6, post time: 11:05 a.m. EST

#### SAUDI DERBY PRESENTED BY BOUTIQUE GROUP-G3, \$1,500,000, 3yo, 1600m

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	2	Loreley (Brz)	Kentuckian	Haras San Pedro	Colombo	Lazo	131
2	6	Baalb (Ire)	Belardo (Ire)	Saad Ali M. Almutairi	Alghareeban	Ospina	121
3	9	Derma Sotogake (Jpn)	Mind Your Biscuits	Hiroyuki Asanuma	Otonashi	Matsuwaka	121
4	10	Ecoro Ares 🛪	Unified	Masatoshi Haramura	Mori	Fukunaga	121
5	3	Almulhem	More Than Ready	Ahmed Saad B Aljebreen	Alfarraj	Alawfi	121
6	12	Havnameltdown	Uncaptured	Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and	Baffert	Dettori	121
				Weitman, Paul			
7	1	Es-Unico (Brz)	War Secretary	Stud Crespi	Cintra	Moreira	131
8	4	Almurtajiz 🖛	Good Magic	HRH Prince Saud bin Salman bin Abdulaziz	Abdulwahed	Moreno	121
9	11	From Dusk 🛪	Bolt d'Oro	Susumu Fujita	Mori	Kawada	121
10	8	Continuar (Jpn)	Drefong	Lion Race Horse Co. Ltd.	Yahagi	Sakai	121
11	7	Commissioner King 🛪	Commissioner	Faisal Mohammed A Alqahtani	Alshammri	Morales	121
12	5	Atta Alghali 🖛	Karakontie (Jpn)	Saadoun Saleh Saadoun Alotaibi	Alathaab	Alfairouz	121
13	13	My Map 🛪	Liam's Map	HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud	Aladhayani	Alfouraidi	121

**Breeders:** 1-Haras Santa Rita da Serra, 2-Oghill House Stud & Joseph M. Burke, 3-Shadai Farm, 4-St. Simon Place LLC & Scott Stephens, 5-More Than Ready Syndicate, Paul TackettRevocable Trust, Phil Tackett Est. et al, 6-Katherine S. Devall, 7-Haras San Francesco, 8-Hermitage Farm, 9-Springhouse Farm, 10-Lake Villa Farm, 11-Paul Tackett Revocable Trust, Phil Tackett Estate et al., 12-John O'Meara, 13-Kenwood Racing LLC

#### Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racecourse Saudi Arabia #7, post time: 11:45 a.m. EST

#### RIYADH DIRT SPRINT S. PRESENTED BY SPORTS BOULEVARD-G3, \$1,500,000, 3yo/up, 1200m

PP	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	5	Justin (Jpn)	Orfevre (Jpn)	Yoshio Oda	Yahagi	Sakai	126
2	4	Gunite	Gun Runner	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Gaffalione	126
3	9	Ryuno Yukina (Jpn)	Vermilion (Jpn)	Ryuichi Minoshima	Ono	Shibata	126
4	8	Remake (Jpn)	Lani	Koji Maeda	Shintani	Fukunaga	126
5	2	Elite Power 🛪	Curlin	Juddmonte	Mott	Dettori	126
6	6	Meraas (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Maitha Salem Mohammed Belobaida Alsuwaidi	Summers	Adorno	126
7	1	Dancing Prince (Jpn)	Pas de Trois (Jpn)	Chizu Yoshida	Miyata	Lane	126
8	7	Pagan (Ire)	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Abdulrahman Alrashad	Almandeel	Alsarhani	126
9	3	Freedom Fighter 🖛	Violence	Al Rashid Stables, LLC	Seemar	O'Shea	126

**Breeders:** 1-Yoshio Oda, 2-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 3-Takeshi Machida, 4-North Hills Co,. Ltd., 5-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 6-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 7-Shadai Farm, 8-T. F. Lacy, 9-Mr. & Mrs. Troy Reed

#### Saturday, Lingfield, post time: 14:05

#### THE BETUK WINTER DERBY S.-G3, £100,000, 4yo/up, 10f 0y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Forest of Dean (GB)	Iffraaj (GB)	Godolphin	John & Thady Gosden	Collen Storey	128
2	Foxes Tales (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	King Power Racing Co Ltd	Andrew Balding	Rob Hornby	128
3	Harrovian (GB)	Leroidesanimaux (Brz)	HH Sheikh Zayed bin Mohammed Racing	John & Thady Gosden	Kieran O'Neill	128
4	King of The South (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Mr Saif Ali	William Knight	Jamie Spencer	128
5	Lord North (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	HH Sheikh Zayed bin Mohammed Racing	John & Thady Gosden	Robert Havlin	128
6	Lucander (Ire)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Nigel Jones & Paul Bowden	George Baker	Andrea Atzeni	128
7	Pistoletto	War Front	J A Thompson & S Russell	John Ryan	David Probert	128
8	Tyrrhenian Sea (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd	Roger Varian	David Egan	128

**Breeders:** 1-Car Colston Hall Stud, 2-Manister House Stud, 3-Miss K. Rausing, 4-Mr S. Sweeney, 5-Godolphin, 6-Mr John Connolly, 7-Tada Nobutaka, 8-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd

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#### Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4.05 p.m.

#### CITI HONG KONG GOLD CUP-G1, HK\$12,000,000, 3yo/up, 2000mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	4	Golden Sixty (Aus)	Medaglia d'Oro	Но	Lui	126
2	6	Romantic Warrior (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Teetan	Shum	126
3	5	Tourbillion Diamond (Aus)	Olympic Glory (Ire)	Badel	Shum	126
4	7	Ka Ying Star (GB)	Cityscape (GB)	McDonald	Cruz	126
5	1	Money Catcher (NZ)	Ferlax (NZ)	De Sousa	Lor	126
6	2	Glorious Dragon (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Bentley	Ng	126
7	3	Panfield (Chi)	Lookin At Lucky	Bowman	Millard	126

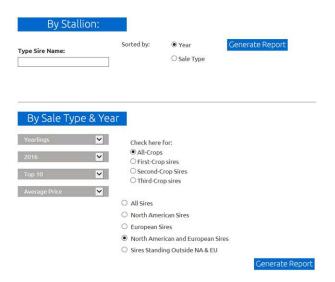
**Breeders:** 1-Asco International Pty Ltd (Qld), 2-Corduff Stud & T J Rooney, 3-Arrowfield Group Pty Ltd, Jungle Pocket Pty Ltd (NSW), 4-Kingsclere Stud, 5-Haunui Bloodstock Ltd, 6-Team Hogdala AB, 7-Agricola Taomina Ltda

#### Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 5.15 p.m.

#### HONG KONG CLASSIC CUP-LR, HK\$12,000,000, 4yo, 1800mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	2	Keefy (Aus)	All Too Hard (Aus)	Leung	Lor	126
2	6	Voyage Bubble (Aus)	Deep Field (Aus)	Kah	Yiu	126
3	14	Beautyverse (NZ)	Tarzino (NZ)	McDonald	Cruz	126
4	1	Tuchel (NZ)	Redwood (GB)	Purton	Size	126
5	7	Sweet Encounter (NZ)	Toronado (Ire)	Currie	Size	126
6	10	Flagship Warrior (Aus)	Foxwedge (Aus)	Teetan	Hayes	126
7	11	Galaxy Witness (Aus)	Star Witness (Aus)	Shinn	Fownes	126
8	5	Super Sunny Sing (Aus)	Nicconi (Aus)	Но	So	126
9	13	Sword Point (Aus)	American Pharoah	Bowman	Lor	126
10	9	Encountered (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	De Sousa	Man	126
11	12	La City Blanche (Arg)	Cityscape (GB)	Badel	Cruz	126
12	3	Majestic Colour (Aus)	So You Think (NZ)	Chadwick	Lor	126
13	8	Sinba (Aus)	Xtravagant (NZ)	Chau	Richards	126
14	4	Bon's A Pearla (Aus) (f)	Bon Hoffa (Aus)	Hewitson	Hayes	122
Emergencies						
		Woodfire Bro (NZ)	Echoes of Heaven (Aus)	No Rider	Ho	126
		Perfect Team (Aus)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	No Rider	Fownes	126





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