

KENTUCKY OAKS TOP 10: SEEKING CLARITY



Botanical winning last weekend's Bourbonette S. | Coady

by Bill Finley

For the sport's best 3-year-old fillies it's where the rubber meets the road time. The last round of preps for the GI Kentucky Oaks is upon us. In the GII Fair Grounds Oaks and the Bourbonette Oaks, there were a pair of key races last weekend. This week, we have the GII Gulfstream Park Oaks and the GIII Fantasy S. It's a division where, since 2-year-old filly champ **Wonder Wheel** (Into Mischief) finished second at 1-2 in the Feb. 11 Suncoast S. at Tampa, there has been no clear leader. Maybe that will change this weekend or next when Keeneland offers the GI Ashland S., which is expected to include three horses in our top 10. If not, this will go down as one of the most wide-open runnings of the Kentucky Oaks ever. Somewhat ironically, a star filly did emerge last week in **Munnys Gold** (Munnings), who got a 106 Beyer and broke the seven-furlong track record when winning the Sophomore Fillies S. at Tampa Bay Downs. She is, by far, the fastest 3-year-old filly in training, but, at least for now, she will stay sprinting for trainer Todd Pletcher. *Cont. p7*

1) WONDER WHEEL (f, Into Mischief--Wonder Gal, by Tiz Wonderful) O-D. J. Stable. B-Three Chimneys Farm & Clearsky Farm (Ky). T-Mark Casse. Sales history: \$275,000 yrl '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: Ch. 2yo Filly & MGISW, 6-4-2-0, \$1,570,725. Last Start: 2nd Suncoast S. Feb. 11. Kentucky Oaks Points: 48.



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After a series of high-profile issues jeopardized the very existence of our sport, a wide cross-section of leaders representing all aspects of the industry came together to support legislation to address long-standing safety issues in racing. Our legislators agreed change was needed and passed the bipartisan Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA), which included provisions for a governing body to oversee its implementation.

The purpose was simple: to address a system that lacked integrity. Before HISA, horsemen endured a dysfunctional state-to-state patchwork of rules which were inconsistently enforced.

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She's Lookin Lucky (*Lookin At Lucky*) gallops at Oaklawn on Wednesday morning in preparation for Saturday's GIII Fantasy S. | Coady Photography

RAISE CAIN EYES BLUE GRASS

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Raise Cain (*Violence*), winner of the GIII Gotham S., will likely skip a return trip to New York and aim for the Apr. 8 GI Toyota Blue Grass S., while Gotham also-rans Mr. Swagger (*Maclean's Music*) and Clear the Air (*Ransom the Moon*) are heading to the GII Wood Memorial.

EMPIRE STRIKES FAST A LATE TRIPLE CROWN NOM

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Empirestrikesfast (*Empire Maker*), a debut winner at Gulfstream earlier this month, has been added to the list of late Triple Crown nominees.

FAUCHEUX, GUTIERREZ EARN FAIR GROUNDS TITLES

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Ron Faucheux earned his third consecutive trainer's title at the recently concluded Fair Grounds meet, while Rey Gutierrez earned his first riding title.



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Breeders' Cup: HISA is Common Sense

(cont. from p1)

Thanks to the input of horsemen, owners, breeders, jockeys, racetrack operators, veterinary experts, regulators, and other industry participants across the country, HISA has established a fair, transparent, efficient, and economically sound approach to improving the integrity and safety of the sport. This includes uniform rules and regulations across all states that are in line with international standards, swift adjudication protocols, and a robust anti-doping program and medication controls.

Unfortunately, when presented with this opportunity to finally achieve meaningful reform, certain groups have responded by obstructing the path forward. Rather than offer constructive input, these groups have chosen instead to spread misinformation and drain precious industry resources with costly litigation. Some of those funding the opposition do not even care about racing and are using the debate over HISA as an opportunity to further their own political interests. Enough is enough.

Chief among the offenders is the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association. For example, the HBPA falsely claims HISA will put small entities out of business due to the costs associated with implementation. In fact, HISA specifically requires that regional differences are considered; accordingly, its governing body is addressing disparities between large and small operations and helping to identify operational efficiencies that will mitigate any increased costs.

The truth is, the HBPA has offered no solution that adequately addresses the full scope of the industry's issues, nor does it have any desire to represent its members who support meaningful reform. This has made us wonder who the HBPA really is, and why they don't want more effective controls on safety and drug use.

Many in our industry don't know that the HBPA and its affiliate groups consider anyone who obtains an ownership license to automatically be a "member" of their organization. Instead of offering members the ability to provide input on its decisions, the HBPA's insular leadership has weaponized its industry position to oppose vital reform aimed at protecting the very people it claims it represents.

We urge any HBPA members who have horse racing's best interests at heart to come to the table and engage with HISA's leaders in pursuit of sustainable change. Follow the example of leaders from a variety of organizations, including the Thoroughbred Owners of California, Kentucky Thoroughbred Association, Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, and the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.



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These groups have stepped forward with constructive input and have provided their members with information and support to make the transition to new regulations as seamless as possible.

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Breeders need owners who want to invest in horses. Owners need trainers to turn raw athleticism into speed and endurance. Trainers need jockeys, exercise riders, grooms, farriers, and dedicated veterinarians to help execute their programs and keep their horses safe and healthy. Everyone needs racetracks to provide the stages on which our athletes compete and where fans who love racing can gather to cheer on their favorites. And we all know bettors are the backbone of the business, as their wagering supports racetrack operations and purses. They deserve to bet on races that are fair.

Under HISA, uniform safety and integrity measures will ensure all participants can be part of racing's growth and success. Adjusting to the oversight of a national, independent authority may take time, but traditions must evolve if they want to endure. Although Thoroughbred racing has a long and storied past, it will only have a bright future if we make safety and integrity our top priorities through united reform.

HISA has been put in place to provide an opportunity for the sport not only to survive, but to thrive. If you want to see horse racing carry on for generations to come, please join us as we work together to ensure HISA's successful implementation.

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RAISE CAIN EYES BLUE GRASS, MR. SWAGGER, CLEAR THE AIR LIKELY FOR WOOD

Andrew Warren and Rania Warren's **Raise Cain** (*Violence*), who romped home in the Mar. 4 GIII Gotham S., will likely forego a return trip to Aqueduct and make his next start in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keeneland Apr. 8, according to trainer Ben Colebrook.

Raise Cain had his first work since the Gotham when going four furlongs in :49.00 (1/3) at Keeneland Mar. 22.

"He's been training great and put on weight," said Colebrook. "He'll breeze again [Thursday] at Keeneland. I think he really gets it now and now he's confident and feeling good. I think he's sitting on a big race wherever we go. It's exciting."

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Colebrook continued, “I don’t think the Blue Grass will be a full field and it’s one of those things where if we can run in our own backyard, it will take a strong reason for us to go to the Wood. But, it could still happen if something changes with defections and it’s still on our radar. We’re taking it day by day.”

Two horses who finished behind Raise Cain with troubled trips in the Gotham are expected to line up for the Apr. 8 GI Wood Memorial.

Victoria's Ranch's **Mr. Swagger** (**Maclean's Music**), sixth over a muddy and sealed main track in the Gotham, is expected to return to Aqueduct for the Wood.

A maiden winner in his 6 1/2-furlong debut at Aqueduct Jan. 28, the Juan Avila trainee was making just his second career start in the one-mile Gotham. He worked six furlongs in 1:19.47 (1/2) over a muddy Parx surface Saturday.

“He’s perfect,” Avila said. “He went easy and strong and

finished up very nice. We are ready for the Wood Memorial and I think he’s ready for a nice race.”

Mr. Swagger, who added blinkers when exiting post three in the Gotham, was bumped at the break and prompted the pace from fourth position at the half-mile call, but failed to fire after saving ground through the turn.

“In the Gotham, I said to Carlos [Olivero] that I want to see Mr. Swagger be in last place, but he was much closer,” Avila said. “Hopefully, this time he can stay back.”

Avila said Mr. Swagger will keep the blinkers on for the Wood Memorial.

Also expected in the Wood Memorial line-up is Cypress Creek Equine's **Clear the Air** (Ransom the Moon), who maintained rail-skimming position from seventh in the Gotham before going four wide in upper stretch and checking around the three-sixteenths pole. He continued to find more down the lane and finished 10 3/4 lengths in arrears of the victorious Raise Cain.



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“It wasn’t really what we drew up on paper going into it,” trainer Will Walden admitted. “I know when you get a bunch of horses running around in the slop, it almost never goes according to plan. Raise Cain got some momentum. He went inside and we went outside. The hole we were going for closed at the three sixteenths. When you get fully stopped on a big horse, it can be hard to re-rally. But he started picking off horses and started to get going. But by that time, it was too late in the game. If he doesn’t get stopped, I think he ends up second or third.”

A maiden winner going six furlongs at Turfway in January, Clear the Air was a troubled fourth in a one-mile optional claimer at Turfway Feb. 11 before his Gotham effort. He worked four furlongs in :48.00 (3/77) at Turfway Saturday.



Clear the Air | Coady Photography

“He’s a big, long stretchy horse and he’s very efficient,” Walden said. “The way he breezes and gallops out, he looks like a two-turn horse. He also did run two turns at Turfway going a mile. That was again a horrible trip. He never got out of cover until well inside the sixteenth pole. But the two turns that day never seemed to be an issue. He looked loaded the whole time.”

Walden said he expects to see continued improvement in his charge.

“He won’t officially be a 3-year-old until May 5,” Walden said. “I’ve felt all along that this horse has all the talent in the world. I believe he has graded-stakes type of potential. I don’t know exactly when the

lightbulb will fully go off. He’s still big and green, but if things go right for him, he can put it together. It wouldn’t shock me if he went up there and ran really big.”

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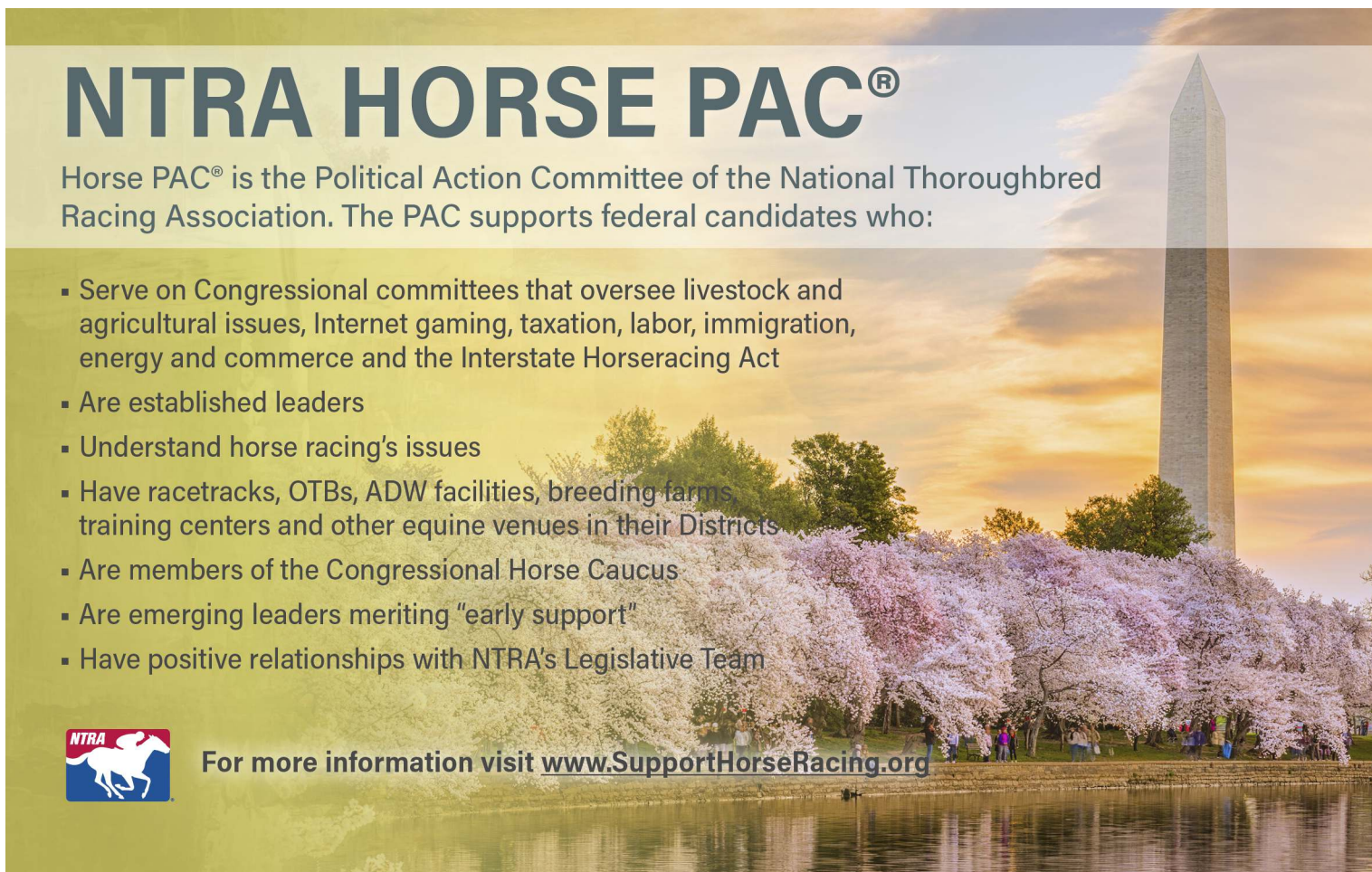
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WONDER WHEEL (cont. from p1)

It's put-up-or-shut-up time for the filly who maintains the top spot, but only because no one has done anything to take it away from her. It's still hard to fathom that she lost to Dreaming of Snow (Jess's Dream) in the Suncoast S. and had no obvious excuse that day. A repeat effort is not going to get it done in the Ashland or in the Kentucky Oaks. But it's not unreasonable to expect that she will improve off that race and run well enough to win the Ashland. If so, she'll likely be the favorite in the Oaks. We know she won't have any problem with the track at Keeneland. She's 2-for-2 there with wins in the GI Alcibiades S. and the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. After training at Mark Casse's training center throughout the winter, she's moved over to Keeneland for her final preparations.

Next Start: GI Ashland S., Kee, Apr. 7

2) BOTANICAL (f, Medaglia d'Oro--Daisy, by Blame)

O-LNJ Foxwoods & Clearsky Farms. B-Clearsky Farms & Godolphin (Ky). T-Brad Cox. Sales history: \$220,000 yrl '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: SW, 6-4-1-0, \$374,410. Last Start: Won the Bourbonette S. at Turfway Mar. 25. Kentucky Oaks Points: 70.

She's won four in a row with the most recent win coming in the Bourbonette at Turfway. During the streak, no one has come close to her. The only thing--and it's a big thing--that keeps her from being No. 1 in this poll is that all of her wins have come over the synthetic Tapeta surface at Turfway. How will she do on the dirt at Churchill Downs? We won't know until she runs in the Oaks. Outside of her apparent comfort zone on the Tapeta, she's had two other starts, finishing eighth in a maiden on the grass at Kentucky Downs and then second in another turf maiden, this one at Keeneland. She's by Medaglia d'Oro out of a **Blame** mare, so there's nothing in her pedigree to suggest that she can't handle the dirt.

Next Start: GI Kentucky Oaks, CD, May 5

3) SOUTHLAWN (f, Pioneerof the Nile--Mo d'Amour, by Uncle

Mo) O-Robert Masterson. B-WinStar Farm (Ky). T-Norm Casse. Sales history: \$290,000 yrl '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSW, 7-3-0-1, \$318,369. Last Start: Won the Fair Grounds Oaks at Fair Grounds Mar. 25. Kentucky Oaks Points: 100.



One of the storylines for this year's Oaks could be the father-versus-son battle of Mark Casse vs. Norm Casse. Mark trains Wonder Wheel and Norm trains Southlawn, who stormed into our Oaks Top 10 with a 3 1/4-length win in the Fair Grounds Oaks. After two poor performances on the grass and a clunker in the GIII Pocahontas, Southlawn has really come into her own. Before the Fair Grounds Oaks she romped in an allowance race, also at the Fair Grounds. Casse told the *Daily Racing Form* that the filly's turnaround came following a surgical procedure, known as a myectomy, to clear up a breathing issue. In a division where no one has run particularly fast, she has run back-to-back Beyer figures of 86, which puts her near the head of the class. Next Start: GI Kentucky Oaks, CD, May 5



Southlawn | Hodges Photography

4) WET PAINT (f, **Blame--Sky Painter, by Street Cry {Ire})**

O/B-Godolphin (Ky). T-Brad Cox. Lifetime Record: GSW, 5-3-1-0, \$334,100. Last Start: Won GIII Honeybee S. at Oaklawn Feb. 25. Kentucky Oaks Points: 70.

She might represent Brad Cox's best chance of winning his third Kentucky Oaks in the span of just five years. A Godolphin homebred, she's won two straight and will look to keep the ball rolling Saturday at Oaklawn in the Fantasy S. After the filly was 10th in her debut on the grass at Kentucky Downs, she has improved with each start and has run Beyer figures of 83 in each of her last two races, wins in the Martha Washington S. and the GIII Honeybee S. A late-runner with a potent stretch kick, she should like the Oaks distance of a mile-and-an-eighth. Took a surprising amount of money in the Kentucky Oaks Future Wager, closing as the favorite at 4-1. Next Start: GIII Fantasy S., OP, Apr. 1

5) PRETTY MISCHIEVOUS (f, Into Mischief--Pretty City Dancer, by **Tapit) 'TDN Rising Star'** O/B-Godolphin (Ky). T-Brendan P. Walsh. Lifetime Record: GSW, 6-4-1-1, \$501,310. Last Start: 2nd GII Fair Grounds Oaks at Fair Grounds Mar. 25. Kentucky Oaks Points: 103.

More steady than spectacular. She's won four of six lifetime starts and has never run worse than third. With back-to-back wins in the Untapable S. and the GII Rachel Alexandra S., she

was poised to take over leadership of the division, but couldn't get the job done when second in the Fair Grounds Oaks. She didn't run badly but was no match for Southlawn. She'll likely need to improve by three or four lengths to win the Oaks, but that's not impossible. At the very least, you can count on her showing up. Next Start: GI Kentucky Oaks, CD, May 5

6) JULIA SHINING (f, **Curlin--Dreaming of Julia, by A.P. Indy)**

'TDN Rising Star' O-Stonestreet Stables LLC. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (Ky). T-Todd Pletcher. Lifetime Record: GSW, 3-2-0-1, \$204,075. Last Start: 3rd Suncoast S. at Tampa Bay Downs Feb. 11. Kentucky Oaks Points: 16.

STONESTREET BRED & RAISED

Like Wonder Wheel, she needs to step up in the Ashland and show the world why she was regarded as one of the top 2-year-old fillies in training last year. A full-sister to champion Malathaat (**Curlin**), she was an impressive winner of her debut and then won the GII Demoiselle S., the same race her big sis won in 2020. But she didn't get off to a good start this year, running third in the Suncoast. Though she was beaten only 1 1/2 lengths, at no point did it look like she was going to win the race. Yes, she can run better in the Ashland, but the jury remains out on her. Next Start: GI Ashland S., Kee, April 7



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7) AND TELL ME NOLIES (f, Arrogate--Be Fair, by Exchange Rate) O-Peter Redekop B.C., Ltd. B-Lara Run, LLC (Ky). T-Peter Miller. Sales history: \$70,000 yrl '21 KEEJAN; \$230,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: GISW, 6-3-1-0, \$392,800. Last Start: Second in GIII Santa Ysabel S. at Santa Anita Mar. 5. Kentucky Oaks Points: 30.



It's been a while since a California-based filly won the Oaks, a feat last pulled off by the Bob Baffert-trained Abel Tasman (**Quality Road**) in 2017. The best 3-year-old filly currently racing in California is Faiza (**Girvin**), who is also trained by Baffert. But she was not nominated to the Kentucky Oaks. That means that And Tell Me Nolies might be the flagbearer for the **West Coast** this year. Trained by Peter Miller, the daughter of Arrogate, who sired last year's Kentucky Oaks winner in Secret Oath (Arrogate), she had an outstanding 2-year-old season, winning the GI Del Mar Debutante S. and the GII Chandelier S. There was nothing wrong with her 3-year-old debut, where she finished second behind Faiza in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. Had a seven-furlong work at the San Luis Rey training center on Mar. 25, going in a sharp 1:25.40. Next Start: GII Santa Anita Oaks, SA, Apr. 8



Punchbowl | Coady

8) PUNCHBOWL (f, Uncle Mo--Devilish Lady, by Sweetensouthernstain) O-Gary and Mary West. B-Gary and Mary West Stables Inc. (Ky). T-Brad H. Cox. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$150,528. Last Start: Won an allowance optional claimer at Oaklawn Mar. 5. Kentucky Oaks Points: 0.

She did not make her debut until Feb. 11, so she has been playing a serious game of catchup ever since. Trained by Cox and owned by Gary and Mary West, she won her debut at six furlongs by three-quarters of a length. But it was her second

career start that really picked up some heads. Going a mile-and-a-sixteenth in an Oaklawn allowance race, she coasted to a 4 1/4-length win under Florent Geroux. Talented but untested, she does next in the Ashland, where she'll have the chance to prove just how good she is. Was bet down to 11-1 in the Oaks Future Wager. Next Start: GI Ashland S., Kee, Apr. 7

9) SHIDABHUTI (f, Practical Joke--A. P. Candy, by Candy Ride {Arg}) O-Peter Brant. B-Gabriel Duignan & Gerry Dilger (Ky). T-Chad Brown. Sales history: \$77,000 wnl '20 KEENOV; \$310,000 yrl '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: SW, 3-3-0-0, \$189,600. Last Start: Won Busher S. at Aqueduct Mar. 4. Kentucky Oaks Points: 50.



Still seeking his first win in the Kentucky Oaks, future Hall of Famer Chad Brown has a puncher's chance with Shidabhuti. It's hard to say how good she is. She broke her maiden in September at Monmouth and followed that up with an allowance win in January at Aqueduct. In both races, she didn't beat much and didn't post a fast number. But she was up for the challenge when making her stakes debut in the Mar. 4 Busher S. at Aqueduct, where she won by two lengths. Still needs to prove she can win at the graded stakes level and around two turns. Next Start: GIII Gazelle S., Aqu, Apr. 7

10) MIRACLE (f, Mendelssohn--Good Omen, by Smart Strike) O-WinStar Farm LLC & Siena Farm LLC. B-Magnolia Express (NY). T-Todd Pletcher. Sales history: \$110,000 wnl '20 FTKNOV; \$250,000 yrl '21 FTSAR; \$360,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-1-3-1, \$197,400. Last Start: 2nd in GII Rachel Alexandra S. at Churchill Downs. Kentucky Oaks Points: 20.



Will have her chance to earn her way into the Oaks field when she goes Saturday in the Gulfstream Park Oaks, a race that came up light. That's why she's the 5-2 morning line favorite even though she's 1-for-5 lifetime and her only win came in a maiden race for New York bred in her July 27 career debut. Since, she hit the board in three straight stakes for New York bred, finishing off her 2022 campaign with a second-place finish in the Maid of the Mist S. But trainer Todd Pletcher must have had confidence in her as he threw her into the deep end in her 3-year-old debut, sending her out in the Rachel Alexandra. She finished second, just three-quarters of a length behind Pretty Mischievous, showing she can handle open company. Next Start: GII Gulfstream Park Oaks, GP, Apr. 1

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Connect (Curlin) (Nosilverspoonshere--Shantel Lanerie Memorial S.)	8	2
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Curlin (Smart Strike) (Idiomantic--Latoria S.)	92	51
Ghostzapper (Awesome Again) (Wolfie's Dynaghost--TwinSpires Kentucky Cup Classic S.-L.)	95	49
Honor Code (A.P. Indy) (Rarified Flair--Rushaway S.)	12	5
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Maclean's Music (Distorted Humor) (Dance to the Music--Desert Stormer S.-GIII)	29	7
Munnings (Speightstown) (Munnys Gold--Stonehedge Farm South Sophomore Fillies S.)	67	26
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Not This Time (Giant's Causeway) (Sibeliuss--Dubai Golden Shaheen Sponsored By Nakheel-G1)	24	10 (4)
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Speightstown (Gone West) (Dean's List--Bill Thomas Memorial S.; Otago--Equistaff Sophomore Turf S.)	132	62
Star Guitar (Quiet American) (Star Moment--Crescent City Oaks)	13	1
Temple City (Dynaformer) (Cityonthenile--Harry Henson H.)	28	13
Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie) (Kingsbarns--Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby-GII)	91	48
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EMPIRESTRIKESFAST ANOTHER LATE TRIPLE CROWN NOMINEE

Pin Oak Stud's **Empirestrikesfast** (Empire Maker) has been added to the list of late Triple Crown nominations. The connections paid the \$6,000 before Monday's deadline, but the colt's name was inadvertently omitted from the list of 12 others published Tuesday. Trained by Bill Mott, Empirestrikesfast broke his maiden in his first career start Mar. 11 at Gulfstream Park.

In total, there are now 382 sophomores eligible to compete in the Triple Crown series.

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FAUCHEUX, GUTIERREZ TAKE FAIR GROUNDS TITLES

New Orleans native Ron Faucheux earned his third consecutive training title with 42 wins at the Fair Grounds meeting which concluded Sunday. The trainer's title went down to meet's last day as Bret Calhoun, the early leader who was in search of his first local crown, and four-time champ Brad Cox were both in striking range, but had to settle for a tie for second with 37 wins apiece.

With 64 wins, Rey Gutierrez captured the first leading rider title of his young career. The 27-year-old's top moment came when **Southlawn** (Pioneer of the Nile) posted an upset in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, offering personal redemption for Gutierrez after he and his mount Hidden Connection finished a diminishing nose shy of Echo Zulu last year.



JOB OPENINGS

A listing of career opportunities in the Thoroughbred industry



Pin Oak Stud

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- Ideal candidate will be responsible for overseeing the breaking/training/rehabilitation on farm. Including but not limited to assembling crew, leading the breaking, starting, and early conditioning of approximately 30 yearlings until ready to transfer to their public trainer. Caring for and managing the layoffs that return to farm from their public trainer and conditioning them to return. Running the rehabilitation equipment and managing each horse's individual program. Experience with racetrack maintenance also required.
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- Farm vehicle, computer, and cell phone stipend provided.
- Good communication with management team, farm staff, and outside vendors will be essential.

Pin Oak provides a unique opportunity for the right individual to join a growing team with a healthy and welcoming workplace environment. We seek to add a motivated team player to our management team to assist in building a top-class breeding and racing operation in Central Kentucky.

All inquiries will be strictly confidential.

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With 20 wins from 137 starts in their first full meet at Fair Grounds, Genesis and Sylvia Castillo's L and G Racing Stable won the track's owners' race.

Fair Grounds offered the richest stakes schedule in Louisiana history at \$8.5 million during its 151st season of racing, with the Mar. 25 Louisiana Derby Day card leading the way with a \$3.1-million single-card record for purses offered in the state.

"Our 151st season was one for the books," Fair Grounds president Doug Shipley said. "Throughout the entire season our racing team proved once again they are the best in the business. Starting with an amazing Thanksgiving celebration to kick off the season and finishing with a fairytale ending with the Shantel Lanerie Second Line celebration. There were tears on the course this year as jockey Corey Lanerie returned to Fair Grounds to take home the win in the race named to honor his beloved-by-all wife. Their daughter Brittlyn served as the Grand Marshal for the Second Line walk completing out the season with full hearts all around."

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SUPER DERBY RETURNS IN 2023

The Super Derby, which was put on hiatus in 2022, will return to the Louisiana Downs stakes schedule in 2023. The nine-furlong race for 3-year-olds will be run Sept. 2 and will be worth \$200,000.

"We are looking forward to a great Thoroughbred season and the return of the Super Derby," the track's racing operations/racing secretary Matt Crawford said. "Of course, Louisiana Cup Day will return [Aug. 5] with purses of \$75,000 for the six stakes for Louisiana-breds. In addition, we will debut the \$50,000 Alabama S. [June 24] and the \$50,000 Cotton State S. [Aug. 19]."

Now under its second year of operation under Rubico Acquisition Corporation, president and owner Kevin Preston said he and his team are committed to making improvements to both the racetrack and onsite casino.

"As you know, we have made significant changes to the track and have enhanced many of the areas, including adding over 100 new slot machines to the casino floor, opening up two new restaurant concepts, adding our sportsbook and freshening up all aspects of the race track," said Preston. "This year we have added many special features of our live race broadcasts. As we move into 2023, we have a lot of additional changes happening for this upcoming racing season."

The 2023 Thoroughbred racing season at Louisiana Downs kicks off May 6 and the 61-day live racing season will run through Sept. 12.

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THOROUGHBRED AFTERCARE ALLIANCE TO PROMOTE AFTERCARE SANTA ANITA DERBY DAY

The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance has partnered with 1/ST to promote accredited aftercare awareness on GI Santa Anita Derby day Apr. 8.

The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance will be recognized with a named race on the Santa Anita Derby Day undercard. A presentation will be made to the winning connections, including a branded blanket and swag bag. There will also be an opportunity for jockeys to pledge their mount fee throughout the day to the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance.

Representatives from the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance will be onsite as a VIP concierge for one of the VIP experiences that was auctioned off earlier this year in the "Off to the Races" campaign to promote aftercare awareness. This VIP experience was donated by 1/ST.

"Santa Anita Park is pleased to welcome the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance back for Santa Anita Derby Day. At 1/ST, we are committed to furthering the impact of accredited aftercare in the industry and supporting this important work of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance," said Aidan Butler, Chief Executive Officer, 1/ST RACING & GAMING and Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance Board of Directors Member.

"The support of 1/ST is invaluable at these premier events," said Stacie Clark-Rogers, Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance Operations Consultant. "Having onsite presence is an excellent way to continue the conversation about aftercare. We are looking forward to being at the Santa Anita Derby."

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INTERACTIVE MAP SHOWCASES HORSE RACING'S ECONOMIC IMPACT ACROSS NEW YORK

Edited Press Release

We Are NY Horse Racing, a coalition of small businesses, labor unions, non-profits, and trade associations aligned to amplify the sport of horse racing's importance to the New York State economy, has released an [interactive map](#) visualizing the scope of horse racing's statewide economic impact. In addition to New York's 11 Thoroughbred and harness tracks, this new map displays 249 farms and businesses connected to the sport of horse racing.

"This new map clearly shows that upstate and downstate, New York is horse racing country through and through," said Jack Sterne, We Are NY Horse Racing spokesperson. "Horse racing is at the core of hundreds of businesses across the state and is responsible for the livelihoods of thousands of New York families. As we head into the final stretch of budget negotiations, this map will help lawmakers understand that supporting a new Belmont is supporting their constituents--no matter what district they represent."

According to an independent economic analysis previously released by We Are NY Horse Racing, the project to modernize Belmont Park would generate \$1 billion in one-time construction-related economic impact and create 3,700 construction jobs. After the new Belmont Park is built, it will produce \$155 million in new annual recurring economic output, sustain 740 new full-time jobs, and generate \$10 million in new state and local taxes per year.

"Horse racing supports businesses large and small across the Empire State--from the nearly 100 trainers at Belmont that each employ dozens of New Yorkers, to those who transport horses, to the businesses that supply our sport," said Joseph Appelbaum, President of the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association. "As this map shows, building a new Belmont Park will boost local economies and help create good jobs in every corner of the state."

The Belmont modernization project was included in Governor Kathy Hochul's Executive Budget Proposal, as well as both the Senate and Assembly's One House budget resolutions.

"It's clear that the sport of horse racing is an economic force in New York State as strong as any Thoroughbred horse that races on our tracks," said Najja Thompson, Executive Director of the New York Thoroughbred Breeders. "This sport sustains thousands of jobs for hardworking New Yorkers and a new Belmont Park would help keep New York's horse racing ecosystem strong and protect good jobs across the state."

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Saturday, Oaklawn #12, post time: 7:50 p.m. EDT

ARKANSAS DERBY-GI, \$1,250,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bourbon Bash 🐾	City of Light	BC Stables, LLC	Lukas	Gutierrez	119
2	Interlock Empire 🐾	Classic Empire	Lucky Seven Stable	McPeck	Cabrera	119
3	Harlocap 🐾	Justify	Harlo Stables Corp. and Villa Rosa Farm, Inc.	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	119
4	Two Eagles River	Cloud Computing	Mach 1 Racing and Scattered Acres LLC	Hartman	Juarez	119
5	Airtime	American Freedom	Randy Howg	Diodoro	Torres	119
6	Angel of Empire 🐾	Classic Empire	Albaugh Family Stables LLC	Cox	Prat	122
7	Rocket Can	Into Mischief	Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc.	Mott	Alvarado	122
8	Reincarnate 🐾	Good Magic	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Masterson, R, Stonestreet Stables, Schoenfarber, J, Yakteen		Velazquez	122
9	King Russell	Creative Cause	Waves Edge Capital LLC and Donovan, Catherine	Moquett	Bejarano	119
10	Red Route One	Gun Runner	Jones, Brereton C. and Naber Racing, LLC	Asmussen	Gaffalione	119
11	Kolomio 🐾	Constitution	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Desormeaux	Graham	119
			Big Chief Racing, LLC			

Breeders: 1-Machmer Hall, 2-Parks Investment Group, LLC, 3-Breed First LLC, 4-William B. Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 5-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 6-Forgotten Land Investment Inc & BlackDiamond Equine Corp, 7-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC, 8-Woods Edge Farm, LLC, 9-Brereton C. Jones, 10-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 11-EKQ Stables Corp.

Saturday, Gulfstream #14, post time: 6:40 p.m. EDT

CURLIN FLORIDA DERBY PRESENTED BY HILL 'N' DALE FARMS AT XALAPA-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Jungfrau	Arrogate	Juddmonte	Mott	Lopez	122
2	West Coast Cowboy 🐾	West Coast	Gentry Farms	Joseph, Jr.	Leon	122
3	Shaq Diesel	Khozan	Chester Bishop, Anthony Hinkson, Alvin Rampaul, Patrick Biggs and Donovan Stanford	Richards	Vasquez	122
4	Mage 🐾	Good Magic	OGMA Investments, Ramiro Restrepo, Sterling Racing LLC and CMNWLTH	Delgado	Saez	122
5	Mr. Peeks	California Chrome	C2 Racing Stable LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Gonzalez	122
6	Nautical Star	Dixie Chatter	C2 Racing Stable LLC and Stefania Farms, LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Reyes	122
7	Il Miracolo 🐾	Gun Runner	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Rios	122
8	Mr. Ripple	Dialed In	Legacy Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	122
9	Cyclone Mischief 🐾	Into Mischief	Albaugh Family Stables LLC and Castleton Lyons	Romans	Castellano	122
10	Fort Bragg	Tapit	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, R. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables, J. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC and C. Donovan	Yakteen	Rosario	122
11	Forte 🐾	Violence	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	122
12	Dubuyhnnell 🐾	Good Magic	West Paces Racing and Stonestreet Stables	Gargan	Ortiz	122

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 2-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 3-Bishop Racing, Inc., 4-Grandview Equine, 5-Winchester Place Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Gedda M. Quinonez, 7-Willow Oaks Stable LLC, 8-Pillar Property Services Inc, 9-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 10-SF Bloodstock LLC & Henry Field Bloodstock, 11-South Gate Farm, 12-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC

Saturday, Gulfstream #12, post time: 5:15 p.m. EDT**GULFSTREAM PARK OAKS PRESENTED BY FANDUEL TV-GII, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Flakes	Frosted	BC Racing LLC	Alvarado	Zayas	122
2	Infinite Diamond	Bee Jersey	Diamond 100 Racing Club, Madaket Stables, and Frank Silva	Biancone	Rosario	122
3	Just Katherine 🦋	Justify	R.T Racing Stable	Jimenez	Reyes	122
4	Affirmative Lady 🦋	Arrogate	AMO Racing USA	Motion	Saez	122
5	Miracle	Mendelssohn	WinStar Farm LLC and Siena Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	122
6	Atomically	Girvin	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Michael Bernard, and Harry Colburn	Pletcher	Ortiz	122
7	Sacred Wish 🦋	Not This Time	Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables, Steve Adkisson, C. Dunn and A. Spinazzola,	Weaver	Castellano	122
8	Dorth Vader	Girvin	John Ropes	Yates	Vasquez	122

Breeders: 1-Arindel, 2-Charles Fipke, 3-Boyd Brooks, Louis Brooks Ranch Limited Partnership, Hugh Owen, et al., 4-Alastar Thoroughbred Co, LLC, 5-Magnolia Mares, LLC & Pony Express Sales, Inc., 6-Tracy Pinchin & Michael Bernard, 7-John R. Penn, 8-John Ropes

Saturday, Gulfstream #5, post time: 1:26 p.m. EDT**PAN AMERICAN S. PRESENTED BY ROOD & RIDDLE-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Wicked Fast	Tourist	Jordan V. Wycoff	Maker	Zayas	118
2	Novo Sol (Brz)	Agnes Gold (Jpn)	Daniel Alonso	Joseph, Jr.	Reyes	120
3	Master Piece (Chi)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Michael & Julia Iavarone, Nicholas Zoumas, Argano Vapewh, Frank and Ten Twenty Racing	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	122
4	Ry's the Guy	Distorted Humor	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Wilkes	Leparoux	118
5	Therapist	Freud	Michael Dubb	Maker	Ortiz, Jr.	120
6	California Frolic 🦋	California Chrome	Julian J. De Mora Jr.	De La Cerdá	Perez	120
7	Abaan 🦋	Will Take Charge	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Alex Daigneault	Pletcher	Rosario	120
8	Bay Street Money	Street Sense	Sanford J. Goldfarb	Maker	Saez	118

Breeders: 1-Wachtel Stable, 2-Stud Eternamente Rio, 3-Haras Don Alberto, 4-Tenth Street Stables, LLC, 5-Oak Bluff Stable, LLC & C. Clement, 6-Steven Friedfertig & Taylor Made Sales Agency, 7-Rosilyn Polan, 8-Adena Springs

Saturday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT**ROYAL HEROINE S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	School Dance	Animal Kingdom	Agave Racing Stable & Rockin Robin Racing Stbls	D'Amato	Vazquez	120
2	Honey Jar	Kantharos	Bo Hirsch, LLC	McCarthy	Kimura	120
3	Closing Remarks	Vronsky	Harris Farms, Inc.	Gaines	Bravo	120
4	Nadette (Fr)	Outstrip (GB)	Team Valor International, LLC	Drysdale	Dettori	120
5	Very Scary 🦋	Connect	Luedtke, Walter, Oracheff, Robert &, Robert Scott	Kruljac	Desormeaux	120
6	Seisai (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	William S. Farish	Sadler	Rispoli	120

Breeders: 1-Betz/Lamantia/Ramsby/Strong, B & KCanetti/J.Betz, 2-Bo Hirsch LLC, 3-Harris Farms, 4-Mr. Herve Dardenne, 5-Windways Farm Limited, 6-Peter Henley, John Connolly&Pattern Blds

Saturday, Oaklawn #10, post time: 6:35 p.m. EDT**FANTASY S.-GIII, \$600,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	She's Lookin Lucky	Lookin At Lucky	Dunn, Richard, Ten Strike Racing, Barber, Gary, Sussman, Jeremy and Monken, Todd	Shirer	Torres	119
2	Grand Love	Gun Runner	Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Gaffalione	119
3	Towhead 🦋	Malibu Moon	Pura Vida Investments, Hutson, C & Setzer, Brett	Maker	Castillo	119

4	Taxed 🦋	Collected	Richard Bahde	Morse	Bejarano	119
5	Take Charge Briana	Curlin	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Lukas	Gutierrez	119
6	Wet Paint	Blame	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Prat	122
7	Pate	Super Saver	Agave Racing Stable & Living The Dream Stables	Maker	Geroux	119
8	Royal Spa	Violence	Breffni Farm	Brisset	Santana, Jr.	119
9	Olivia Twist 🦋	Mshawish	King, Brad, Andrews, Randy, Coleman, G. Chris, Cone, Jim, Kirby, Suzanne and Lewis, Lee	Fincher	Cabrera	122
10	Condensation	Frosted	Pravin A. Patel	Hartman	Arrieta	119

Breeders: 1-Richard Dunn, 2-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 3-DJ Stable, LLC, 4-Brereton C. Jones, 5-Willis Horton Racing LLC, 6-Godolphin, 7-Chance Farm, 8-Breffni Farm, 9-Brushy Hill, LLC, 10-William Humphries & Altair Farms LLC

Saturday, Oaklawn #5, post time: 3:32 p.m. EDT

OAKLAWN MILE S.-GIII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Smile Happy 🦋	Runhappy	Lucky Seven Stable	McPeck	Arrieta	121
2	Necker Island 🦋	Hard Spun	The Scherr Boys	Hartman	Murrill	117
3	Hero Status	Flatter	MyRacehorse and Agnew, Dan J.	Diodoro	Torres	117
4	Silver Prospector 🦋	Declaration of War	Orr, Ed and Orr, Susie	Asmussen	Gaffalione	121
5	Caddo River	Hard Spun	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Lukas	Santana, Jr.	121
6	Atoka	Union Rags	Lukas, Laurie & D. Wayne, Heird, J & Green, E	Lukas	Michel	117
7	Hopper 🦋	Declaration of War	Lanni Bloodstock, Madaket Stables & SF Racing	Baffert	Velazquez	117

Breeders: 1-Moreau Bloodstock Int'l Inc. & White Bloodstock LLC, 2-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 3-Fred W. Hertrich III, 4-Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC, 5-Shortleaf Stable, 6-KatieRich Farms, 7-Green Lantern Stables, LLC

Saturday, Gulfstream #7, post time: 2:26 p.m. EDT

GHOSTZAPPER S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Surly Furious	Upstart	Novogratz Racing Stables Inc.	Wismer	Ortiz	122
2	Cajun's Magic	Cajun Breeze	Stonehedge LLC	Yates	Rios	118
3	Simplification 🦋	Not This Time	Tami Bobo	Sano	Rosario	118
4	O'Connor (Chi)	Boboman	Fernando Vine Ode & Michael & Jules Iavarone	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	120
5	First Captain	Curlin	West Point Thoroughbreds, Siena Farm LLC, Bobby Flay and Woodford Racing, LLC	McGaughey III	Saez	120
6	Clapton	Brethren	Arindel	Alvarado	Jaramillo	122
7	Twelve Volt Man 🦋	Violence	Magic Cap Stables	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	118

Breeders: 1-Brereton C. Jones, 2-Stonehedge LLC, 3-France Weiner & Irwin Weiner, 4-Haras Carioca, 5-B. Flay Thoroughbreds, 6-Arindel, 7-Joe Anzalone

Saturday, Gulfstream #8, post time: 2:56 p.m. EDT

ORCHID S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT	
1	Viburnum	Include		Dede McGehee	Danner	Saez	120
2	Miss Yearwood	Will Take Charge		Roger Keith Long	Wilkes	Landeros	117
3	Transient (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)		e Five Racing Thoroughbreds	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	117
4	Tamarindo	Into Mischief		Stefania Farms, LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Reyes	117
5	Amazing Grace (Ger)	Protectionist (Ger)		Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd.	Clement	Rosario	123
6	Personal Best	Tapit	Joseph Allen LLC	McGaughey III	Ortiz, Jr.	123	
7	Lady Arsinoe	Pioneerof the Nile		Nine Thirty Racing LLC	Mott	Castellano	117
8	Atomic Blonde (Ger)	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)		Michaela Faust, West Point Thoroughbreds, and Heather Winters	Clement	Ortiz	123

Breeders: 1-Dede McGehee, 2-R. Keith Long, 3-B. Sangster & Freynestown Stud, 4-Craig Lawrence Wheeler, 5-Dr. Chr. Berglar, 6-Mr. Joseph Allen LLC, 7-Mr. & Mrs. David Garner, 8-Gestut Karlshof

NORTH AMERICAN RACING



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Sunland, \$31,601, Msw, 3-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.15, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

SWEET TEMPEST (f, 3, Mucho Macho Man--Conzig, by Congrats), fifth over this track and trip Mar. 7, was installed the 5-2 choice to get off the mark in this return. Contesting the early pace through a :22.24 quarter, the bay edged to the front at the quarter pole, swung out a couple of paths wide turning for home and drew clear to score by Not Now Victoria (**Not This Time**). This represents the family of HOTY and leading sire A.P. Indy. Sales history: \$55,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$19,404. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-The Quarter Company LLC; B-Mare Croft (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher.

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SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, MARCH 30

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Army Mule (Friesan Fire), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$12,500

143 foals of racing age/37 winners/7 black-type winners
5-Gulfstream, 2:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Delta Delta, 9-2
\$65,000 KEE SEP yrl

Bolt d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000

256 foals of racing age/37 winners/6 black-type winners
5-Gulfstream, 2:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Dark Vector, 8-5
\$275,000 FTS AUG yrl

Bucchero (Kantharos), Pleasant Acres Stallions

155 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Gulfstream, 4:07 p.m. EDT, Alw 5f, Clay Soldier, 5-2

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

180 foals of racing age/30 winners/5 black-type winners
7-Oaklawn, 4:50 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Giroovin, 10-1
\$40,000 KEE SEP yrl

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

348 foals of racing age/42 winners/3 black-type winners
7-Oaklawn, 4:50 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, B Minor, 6-1
\$85,000 KEE SEP yrl

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

200 foals of racing age/48 winners/4 black-type winners
7-Oaklawn, 4:50 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Tyler's Tribe, 8-5
\$34,000 IOW OCT yrl



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**IN JAPAN:**

Gran Aplauso, c, 4, **Gun Runner**--Fiducia (SW & GSP-Jpn, \$1,425,976), by **Medaglia d'Oro**. Hanshin, 3-25, Allowance, 1200m, 1:11.1. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$188,904. O-Koji Maeda; B-North Hills Co Limited (KY); T- Mikio Matsunaga.

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Northern Time, g, 5, **Not This Time**--Stella Prima, by El Prado (Ire). Seoul, 3-25, Hcp. (C2), 2000m. B-Martin Lake & Serendipity Farm (KY). *1/2 to Stella Rose (**Mineshaft**), SP-Can, \$168,769; and Small Bear (Macho Uno), SW, \$417,923. **\$65,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT. **VIDEO (SC 2)**

Lord Ban, h, 6, **Malibu Moon**--Melancholy, by Run Softly. Seoul, 3-26, Hcp. (C1), 1600m. B-Barr Inman & Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). *1/2 to Got Shades (Pollard's Vision), MSW, \$222,769. **\$15,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$30,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$50,000 2yo '19 FTMMAY. **VIDEO (SC 1)**

**IN JAPAN:**

Broad Reach (Jpn), f, 4, **Arrogate**--Reaching (Ire), by Dansili (GB). Chukyo, 3-26, Allowance, 1800m, 1:53.1. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-0, \$115,227. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Yoshitada Munakata.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

5th-Gulfstream, \$54,000, (S), 3-29, (NW1X), 3yo, 6f, 1:10.11, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

BOUNCER (g, 3, Adios Charlie--Kaiken, by First Samurai)

Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$61,940. O-Gary Barber & D. J. Stable LLC; B-Helen C. Alexander (FL); T-Mark E. Casse. *\$190,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN.

7th-Gulfstream, \$54,000, (S), 3-29, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.75, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

CHARLIE'S WISH (f, 3, First Dude--Superior Sarah, by Werblin) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$87,220. O-Royalight Racing, LLC; B-Three Gin Guys Stable (FL); T-David Fawkes.

8th-Sunland, \$45,600, (S), 3-28, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.08, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

PROBATE (g, 6, Pro Prado--Aquarellist {SP}, by Ole') Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-3, \$98,142. O/B-C. P. Hourigan (NM); T-Ever Olguin. *1/2 to Cali Baby (Thatsusintheolbean), MSW, \$535,709.

7th-Mahoning Valley, \$33,700, (S), 3-29, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:14.79, ft, neck.

AIN'T NO BANDLEADER (g, 3, Global Power--Moonshine Promise, by Will He Shine) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-1, \$61,381. O-Christina Estvanko & JSR Stables, Inc.; B-Ronald J. Paolucci (OH); T-Richard Estvanko.

6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$27,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 3-29, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08.91, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

TOPPER T (g, 7, Bellamy Road--Des Moines {SW-Can, SP-USA, \$246,390}, by Evansville Slew) Lifetime Record: 38-8-8-5, \$433,297. O-Danny Stafford; B-Blackoak Farm (IA); T-Jon G. Arnett. *1/2 to Hilton Magic (Daaher), SP, \$235,994.

2nd-Mahoning Valley, \$26,400, 3-29, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.26, ft, 6 1/2 lengths.

ATLANTIC FIRESTORM (g, 5, Effinex--Stormy Saturday, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-2, \$44,352. O-Ann Bernecker; B-Rhapsody Farm LLC & Jonathan K. Davis (NY); T-Joe Pizzurro. *\$2,500 Ylg '19 EASOCT.

1st-Mahoning Valley, \$25,900, 3-29, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:06.82, ft, 6 lengths.

HOLIDAY DECISION (f, 3, Good Samaritan--Twisted Decision, by Old Fashioned) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-1, \$110,169. O-H. Jack Hendricks; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Joel Delacruz Mejia. *\$35,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$105,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Reagan's Decision (**Unified**), GSP, \$125,180.



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5th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$24,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000),
3-29, 3yo, f, 5fT, :56.46, fm, 3 3/4 lengths.

GRAND OAK (IRE) (f, 3, Speightstown--Lady Oak {Ire} {SP, \$133,972}, by Arcano {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-0, \$80,241. O-Yurie and Carl F. Pascarella & Herringswell Racing Club; B-SF Bloodstock (IRE); T-H. Graham Motion. *\$105,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$210,000 2yo '22 FTKHRA.



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5th-Turf Paradise, \$23,400, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm
(\$20,000-\$25,000), 3-28, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:35.57, ft, neck.

T BONES TRICK (g, 7, Midnight Lute--Hopeful Union, by Dixie Union) Lifetime Record: 43-12-9-8, \$215,777. O-Tony Bartscher; B-Tenlane Farm (KY); T-Wade Rarick. *\$150,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Indy Carr, g, 3, Indy Wind--Miss Carrera, by Memo (Chi). Mahoning Valley, 3-29, (S), 1m, 1:46.40. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$38,709. B-Beckett Racing Team (OH). *1/2 to Missap (A. P. Warrior), MSW, \$243,671; Diez Dancer (Stevie Wonderboy), SP, \$160,469.

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Bellamy Road, Topper T, g, 7, o/o Des Moines, by Evansville Slew. AOC, 3-29, Tampa Bay

Effinex, Atlantic Firestorm, g, 5, o/o Stormy Saturday, by Stormy Atlantic. ALW, 3-29, Mahoning Valley

First Dude, Charlie's Wish, f, 3, o/o Superior Sarah, by Werblin. ALW, 3-29, Gulfstream

Global Power, Aint No Bandleader, g, 3, o/o Moonshine Promise, by Will He Shine. ALW, 3-29, Mahoning Valley

Good Samaritan, Holiday Decision, f, 3, o/o Twisted Decision, by Old Fashioned. ALW, 3-29, Mahoning Valley

Indy Wind, Indy Carr, g, 3, o/o Miss Carrera, by Memo (Chi). MSW, 3-29, Mahoning Valley

Midnight Lute, T Bones Trick, g, 7, o/o Hopeful Union, by Dixie Union. AOC, 3-28, Turf Paradise

Mucho Macho Man, Sweet Tempest, f, 3, o/o Conzig, by Congrats. MSW, 3-28, Sunland

Pro Prado, Probate, g, 6, o/o Aquarellist, by Ole'. ALW, 3-28, Sunland

Speightstown, Grand Oak (Ire), f, 3, o/o Lady Oak (Ire), by Arcano (Ire). AOC, 3-29, Tampa Bay

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'HE'S EVERYTHING CLIVE COX SAID HE WOULD BE': CATURRA TAKES TO THE ROPES



Caturra is the latest newcomer to be profiled by TDNtv. Click above to view more about the newest Overbury stallion. | *Overbury Stud*

By Emma Berry

The winds of change have blown through Overbury Stud in the last year. Gone is the stalwart of the British National Hunt ranks, Kaya Tara (GB), who died in retirement in December at the age of 28. Last summer the Gloucestershire farm had welcomed the horse that many will hope could be his replacement, Golden Horn (GB), bought from Anthony Oppenheimer by Jayne McGivern as his burgeoning National Hunt statistics caught many an eye. [Cont. p3](#)

GUINEAS BREEZE-UP AND HIT CATALOGUE RELEASED BY TATTERSALLS

The catalogue for the 2023 Tattersalls Guineas Breeze-Up and Horses-in-Training Sale is now [online](#). Breezes will take place at Newmarket's Rowley Mile Racecourse at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 3. The horses-in-training portion of the sale, featuring 154 lots, will begin at 9:30 a.m. on May 4. There are 201 lots for the breeze-up sale, which begins at 2 p.m. later that same day.

Past graduates of the Guineas Breeze-Up Sale include crack sprinter and multiple Group 1 winner The Platinum Queen (Ire) (Cotai Glory {GB}), G2 Beresford S. hero Crypto Force (GB) (Time Test {GB}), and Grade/Group 1 winners Shantisara (Ire) (Coulsty {Ire}) and Trueshan (Fr) (Planteur {Ire}).

At least 47 stallions with juveniles catalogued have sired Classic or Grade/Group 1 winners including Acclamation (GB), [Australia](#) (GB), [Camelot](#) (GB), Cotai Glory (GB), Dark Angel (Ire), Exceed And Excel (Aus), Invincible Spirit (Ire), Kodiak (GB), Mehmas (Ire), New Bay (GB), [No Nay Never](#), [Oasis Dream](#) (GB), [Saxon Warrior](#) (Jpn), Sea The Moon (Ger), Showcasing (GB), [Starspangledbanner](#) (Aus), Teofilo (Ire), Zoffany (Ire), and Zoustar (Aus) among others.

There are also 19 first-season sires with offspring slated for sale, among them are Advertise (GB), Blue Point (Ire), [Calyx](#) (GB), Eqtidaar (Ire), and Inns Of Court (Ire). [Cont. p4](#)

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*Drumroll (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), a full-brother to G1 2000 Guineas and G1 Racing Post Trophy hero and Coolmore stallion **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)** (pictured), won his Navan debut by a half-length on Wednesday. | Coolmore Stud*

RUGBY WORLD CUP TRIP ATTACHED TO BALLYHANE S. 5

The four edition of the Listed Irish EBF Ballyhane S. will be worth €300,000, with all 24 runners eligible for prize-money.

GODOLPHIN RUNNERS GIVEN AMERICAN TARGETS 6

A pair of well-credentialed Godolphin runners will make their 2023 Stateside debuts at Keeneland.

VADENI & LUXEMBOURG SET TO CLASH IN GANAY 6

*Classic hero Vadeni (Fr) (**Churchill {Ire}**) and Luxembourg (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**) are set to clash in the G1 Prix Ganay.*

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Caturra Cont. from p1

Then, at the other end of the spectrum, in came Caturra (Ire) last autumn, the first son of Mehmas (Ire) to stand in Britain and, judging by early demand, a welcome addition to the more commercial end of the stallion ranks in the UK.

"The response has been tremendous," says Overbury Stud's Simon Sweeting, who may well be giving serious consideration to installing a revolving door on the covering barn. "He has got some super mares. His owner, Saeed bin Mohammed Al Qassimi, has really got behind him and he's bought some lovely mares, especially for him. And obviously he is determined that he succeeds, like we all are. But we've got some tremendous support from people that I would consider to be really good breeders. Nick Bradley is sending at least six mares, Fiona Denniff is supporting him, Whatton Manor Stud, Richard Kent, Paul Shanahan has a share in him. Byerley Stud and Houghton Bloodstock are also sending a lot. Good, sensible breeders who produce winners have got behind him, so hopefully that's going to give him a chance."

The saying goes that if something ain't broke, don't fix it, and for the team at Overbury, it was well worth taking a chance on Caturra so soon after the early success of Ardad (Ire), who was Britain's leading first-season sire in 2021, and whose stand-out

son, the treble Group 1 winner Perfect Power (Ire), has recently joined Darley's team of stallions at Dalham Hall Stud.

It is easy to join the dots: Ardad, Caturra, and Perfect Power were all bred by Tally-Ho Stud, where Ardad's sire Kodiak (GB) has stood with distinction for years, and which is also home to Mehmas. Furthermore, both Ardad and Caturra won the G2 Flying Childers S. Ironically, this was also the race that was seemingly at the mercy of Cotai Glory (GB) when he jinked and unseated George Baker. Seven years later, Cotai Glory, who also stands at Tally-Ho Stud, edged out Ardad to be the leading freshman sire of Europe.

"It's extraordinary how Tally-Ho keep producing horses like this, but they do. And we're very lucky to be the beneficiaries further down the line," admits Sweeting.

This week scientists at University College Dublin and PlusVital have **published research** which has identified genes associated with stress in the racehorse, and it serves as a timely reminder as to the importance of that magical ingredient in a horse's make-up which is every bit as important as ability: temperament. This is a trait which has often been spoken about in regard to Mehmas himself, who was famously so laidback as an early juvenile in his days with breeze-up pinhooker Roger Marley that he barely paid the son of Acclamation (GB) any attention—until he started galloping. **Cont. p4**



Caturra and Adam Kirby after winning the 2021 Flying Childers S. at Doncaster | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingphotos.com)

“He has had some very good-looking foals... I bred a lot of stakes-winning mares to him. What I do is, I give the stallion mares over a three-year period and the best mares will probably be sent to him in years two and three so that the quality is maintained”

Peter Brant of White Birch Farm, TDN

Amongst the mares Brant has booked for 2023 are **\$4,100,000** four-time Grade 1 winner **UNI**, **650,000gns** Rockfel Stakes-Gr.2 winner **SPAIN BURG** (on the strength of her 2023 Sottsass colt), **€675,000** purchase **BLUE KIMONO** and City Of York Stakes-Gr.3 winner **NEMORALIA**.

“A strong, quality, well-balanced and exceptionally good-walking foal. Sottsass himself was a World Champion 3YO by a top stallion in Siyouni and is owned by a very important man in the industry”

Michael Fitzpatrick, purchaser of a €180,000 colt at Goffs November



“Two lovely fillies, both very good walkers with plenty of size and scope. I was very impressed by Sottsass when I saw him at Coolmore and if these two are anything to go by, you'd have to give him a great chance”

Mags O'Toole, purchaser of filly foals for €105,000 at Goffs November and 80,000gns at Tattersalls December



“We like him a lot. He was a frame of a horse as a foal and has the potential to turn out a big scopey yearling. I like the idea of the stallion and tried to buy another by him at Goffs February”

Jamie Railton, on the colt purchased with Trotting Bloodstock for €105,000 at Arqana December



“Based on what I've seen, the future for Sottsass looks very bright”

Paul Shanahan who has supported him strongly from the outset



“The Sottsass was a good, straightforward colt who had good X-rays and a good scope. He'd plenty of fans—he had six or seven vets, and there was plenty of action on him”

David Cox, of Baroda Stud who consigned the €115,000 colt bought by Tally Ho Stud at Goffs February



“She was a very, very powerful foal who walked exceptionally well. Every time she came out of the box she performed... I would definitely be advising my clients to use Sottsass”

Daniel Creighton, Salcey Forest Stud who sold a filly for 80,000gns



Broke the 1m2½f track record at Chantilly defeating triple Gr.1 winner Persian King in the Prix du Jockey Club-Gr.1. Previous winners include leading sires New Bay, Lope de Vega and Shamardal

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Caturra Cont.

Caturra hails from the second crop of Mehmas and, according to his former trainer Clive Cox, and now to Sweeting, he appears to have adopted a similar no-nonsense approach to life.

"He's absolutely brilliant. He really is just a very straightforward horse," Sweeting says. "He enjoys the routine. He's very relaxed about the way that we do things with him, seeing a lot of the other horses like mares and foals in the same yard as him, and the other stallions. He's quite happy and relaxed out in the paddock, and he's taken to the covering tremendously. He's everything, in fact, that Clive Cox said he would be. He does what you want, as he did when he was in training."

He continues, "He's getting more than his fair share of mares in foal. It's obviously the slower part of the season, so he is not under pressure. But he's getting them in foal with great regularity. So we are really pleased with the early results. He's very virile, and he's got a great libido."

Sweeting adds, "Temperament is obviously such an important thing because, I keep saying it to people: if the trainers like them, then you've got half a chance. But if the trainers don't like them, if they haven't got a good attitude, they can very quickly turn against them and then you are sunk before you even start."

Caturra is out of the Sleeping Indian (GB) mare Shoshoni Wind (GB), a decent handicapper over five and six furlongs, with three wins to her name and a runner-up finish in the Listed Empress S. at Newmarket. Though he has predominantly speed influences close up in his pedigree, the four-year-old's third dam, Pat Or Else (GB) (Alzao), is a half-sister to the St Leger and Gold Cup winner Classic Cliche (Ire) (Salse) and to Yorkshire Oaks and Prix Vermeille victrix My Emma (GB) (Marju {Ire}). With around 115 mares currently booked to him, Caturra clearly will be given a good chance to try to emulate the start made by his own sire in Ireland, and by his fellow Overbury resident, Ardad, whose popularity continues with 145 mares booked in to date.

"We did wonder when we started him how Caturra would impact on Ardad or vice versa," Sweeting says. "But actually they're in two different brackets. One is proven and one is not. And they are two very different things for breeders to pick out and reasons for them to use either one."

"Caturra at the moment is a good level below [Ardad] in price,

although a very similar type of horse at the start. But Ardad, he just feels very established now, and particularly having another stakes winner at the weekend, he just feels like he's done it and people can rely on him. You know you're going to get a

good-looking horse, you know you've got the potential of a racehorse, and you know that people are going to like them at the sales. Whereas Caturra, you're paying a lot less money, but of course he has to prove himself, so they are in two different places in the market."

While the two young sprint stallions are clearly going to be kept busy this covering season, busier still will be the Derby and Arc winner Golden Horn. He is listed as having covered 152 mares in his final year at Darley, and his book will be just as full



Golden Horn pictured at Overbury Stud | Emma Berry

this time around, with the Cheltenham Festival winner Concertista (Fr) (Nathaniel {Ire}) among a line-up of smart jumping mares to be paying him a visit.

"He is going to be busier than all of the others," Sweeting notes. "We're lucky. We've got a great covering team. We've got a good system and it works pretty well. It is a busy time of year but I am certainly not going to complain about that. When you've got three or four horseboxes there, three times a day, it's a good sign."

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EUROPEAN NEWS

Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale Cont. from p1

Other stallions represented by their first juveniles in the sale are Invincible Army (Ire), Masar (Ire), Phoenix of Spain (Ire), Soldier's Call (GB), Study of Man (Ire), **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**, Too Darn Hot (GB) and **Magna Grecia (Ire)**, who has already produced an impressive debut winner, and American sire **Catholic Boy**.

The Horses-in-Training Sale features last out winners **Naaser (Ire)** (New Bay {GB}) (lot 152) from The Castlebridge Consignment, and Jamie Railton will consign **Maasai Mara (GB)** (Roaring Lion) (lot 100). **Cont. p5**



The Platinum Queen | Horsephotos

Guineas Breeze-Up & HIT Sale Cont.

The 100-rated **Kiwano (Fr)** (Dabirsim {Fr}) (lot 114) will go through the ring for David Simcock; while the Michael Appleby-trained **Zealot (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) (lot 99), is also set to sell off of a mark of 109. Juddmonte, too, offers a draft, with seven horses going under the hammer, among them lot 128, a Galileo (Ire) colt named **Caustic (GB)**. Two lots of note from Vicarage Farm are a **Sea The Stars (Ire)** filly (lot 154) out of a Nathaniel (Ire) half-sister to G2 Lancashire Oaks winner Pongee (GB) (Barathea {Ire}), as well as the granddam of top producer Prudenzia (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). Also from their draft is lot 124, a 2-year-old colt by New Bay (GB) out of G2 Queen Mary S.-placed Hairy Rocket (GB) (Pivotal {GB}).

Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony said, "The Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up enjoyed an exceptional year on the racecourse in 2022, led by historic G1 Prix de l'Abbaye winner The Platinum Queen, one of seven group and listed performers bought at last year's sale. Classic prospect Crypto Force, multiple Group 1-winning stayer Trueshan, US Grade I winner Shantisara and Scandinavian Champion Hard One To Please also illustrate the quality and diversity that buyers have come to expect from the sale. This year's catalogue features a strong selection of quality 2-year-olds that we are confident will appeal to domestic and international buyers in all sectors of the market, alongside the largest horses in training section in the sale's history."

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RUGBY WORLD CUP TRIP ATTACHED TO €300K BALLYHANE S.

The fourth running of the Irish EBF Ballyhane S. on Monday, August 7 will be worth €300,000, with all 24 runners in the race set to earn prize-money.

At a twin launch at Ballyhane Stud and the Lord Bagenal Hotel on Wednesday evening, representatives from Naas Racecourse, the Irish EBF and Ballyhane, ably helped by the stud's impeccably behaved new stallion Space Traveller (GB), also announced an accompanying prize for one lucky racegoer of a trip to the 2023 Rugby World Cup. Entrance to Naas Racecourse for the meeting will be free.

A median auction race for juveniles whose sire had one or more yearling sold last year with a median price of not more than €75,000, the six-furlong contest has attracted 345 entries. A total of 29 Irish-based trainers have horses entered, with 145 entries hailing from Britain. Connections of the winner are in line to scoop €150,000, while the breeder of the winner will receive a free nomination to a Ballyhane stallion.

Joe Foley, owner of Ballyhane Stud, which will also sponsor free admission to the racecourse for the meeting, said, "It was great to see the Flat season kick off last weekend and we are once again eagerly awaiting the Irish EBF Ballyhane Stakes in August. The race may be a few months away yet but owners and trainers alike love to dream and it's fantastic to see such a strong number of entries for what will be the fourth renewal of the race at Naas. The Irish EBF Ballyhane Stakes is a valuable race and prize-money is so important to the owners so we are excited to be associated with such a popular day once again."

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Space Traveller with Dermot Cantillion, Nessa Joyce, Joe Foley, and former Irish rugby international Bernard Jackman

Ballyhane S. Cont.

Prior to the race, a draw will be made at Naas, assigning one racegoer to each horse in the feature race, with the name linked to the winning horse set to win a two-night package for the Ireland vs South Africa match, including return flights, hotel transfers, hotel B&B, pre-match lunch and two tickets.

"The Irish EBF Ballyhane Stakes is a highlight of the August Bank Holiday weekend now and we are delighted with the huge number of entries we have received," said Eamonn McEvoy, manager of Naas Racecourse. "Everyone at Naas is very grateful to Ballyhane for their support by also sponsoring the gate on the day and some lucky racegoer is going to leave on the day with a trip of a lifetime to see the best rugby team in the world at the World Cup. It promises to be a fantastic afternoon."

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GODOLPHIN WILL SEND MODERN GAMES BACK TO KEENELAND

A pair of Godolphin's stable stars are headed back to contest Grade I races in America, the owner confirmed in a tweet on Wednesday.

Trained by Charlie Appleby, the American champion **Modern Games (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) will ship to Keeneland's Spring Meet to run over the Haggan Turf Course in the GI Maker's Mark Mile on Friday, Apr. 14. **With the Moonlight (Ire)** (**Frankel {GB}**), who won the GIII Saratoga Oaks Invitational S. and was second in the GI Belmont Oaks Invitational S., will contest the GI Jenny Wiley S. on Saturday, Apr. 15.

"The team are advancing nicely in preparation for the 2023 season," Godolphin tweeted. "Stable star Modern Games will head straight to the G1 Maker's Mark Mile at Keeneland. With The Moonlight heads to the G1 Jenny Wiley."



Modern Games | Michael Burns/WEG

Set to begin his 4-year-old campaign, the bay colt has never lost in North America. As for With the Moonlight, the now-4-year-old filly swept the G2 Cape Verdi and the G2 Balanchine in February.

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VADENI VS. LUXEMBOURG LIKELY IN GANAY



Vadeni | Scoop Dyga

Vadeni (Fr) (**Churchill {Ire}**), the Aga Khan's 2022 G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe runner-up, is likely to renew his rivalry in an early-season rematch with **Luxembourg (Ire)** (**Camelot {GB}**) in the G1 Prix Ganay after connections confirmed that is his most likely target on Wednesday.

In last year's G1 Irish Champion S., it was the Aidan O'Brien trainee Luxembourg who struck first by beating Jean-Claude Rouget's charge over soft ground at Leopardstown on Sept. 10. With even more give in the ground a month later, the Aga Khan colt was second to Alpinista (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**) in the Arc, while the Westerberg, Magnier, Tabor and Smith-owned colt finished seventh.

Aga Khan racing manager Georges Rimaud said "Vadeni is training ok, he is going to run in the Prix Ganay and we'll see from there."

He added when asked about the rematch, "That is what we are hoping for anyway. I don't know if it will be exciting or what, but it will be interesting."

Another Aga Khan-owned colt set for his 2023 debut is Vadeni's stablemate **Erevann (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}). The now-4-year-old won four of his five starts when last seen, including a victory in the G2 Prix Daniel Wildenstein during Arc weekend.

"Erevann is the same--he is also doing well," said Rimaud. "We'll decide soon where we go with him. He'll run over a mile--he's more of a miler, absolutely."

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BURROWS GIVES UPDATE ON RETURN OF SHADWELL TALENT



Owen Burrows | Tattersalls

Shadwell's **Anmaat (Ire)** (Awtaad {Ire}), winner of the G2 Prix Dollar at ParisLongchamp last out on Oct. 1, is due to make his first start of his 5-year-old campaign soon, trainer Owen Burrows confirmed on Wednesday.

"He's good, he's in strong work. I've made an entry for him in the [G1] Tattersalls Gold Cup and he'll also have an entry for those two group races in France--the [G1 Prix] Ganay and the [G1] Prix d'Ispahan. One is at the end of April and one's at the end of May."

The gelding began last year with a half-length success in the John Smith's Cup on July 9 at York and then landed a win in the G3 Betfred Rose Of Lancaster S. by four lengths at Haydock on Aug. 6.

Burrows went on to say, "You've got Group 3s at Sandown--Gordon Richards and the Brigadier Gerard--but he'd have a Group 2 penalty in those, so I think if we're happy and he's showing all the right signs at home, then why not have a crack?"

As for other members of the Shadwell lineup in his care, plans for the return of **Hukum (Ire)** (**Sea The Stars** {Ire}), who won the G1 Coronation Cup over Pyledriver (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}) last June, are also under advisement. A hind leg injury ended the full-brother to Baaeed (GB)'s year, but after a successful operation, he began the rehabilitation process. A bid later this year for the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe could be feasible.

"I was speaking to Angus [Gold, Shadwell racing manager] about a month ago about whether we'd be brave enough to go back to Epsom first time out, but we're probably not," said Burrows.

"We'll probably have a prep run somewhere in May, with a

view to the main target being the [G2] Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot and then the races are all pretty mapped out for him. The good thing with him is that he's shown a preference for going on soft ground, so it's lovely to think he'd be turning up in France in October. He's rehabbed well and Sheikh Hissa was quite keen to give him another chance."

Burrows also provided an update on **Alflaila (GB)** Dark Angel {Ire}, who scored a trio of listed and Group 3 victories at the end of last season before sustaining a fracture to his left fetlock. That ruled him out for a Bahrain run in November, but he is making strides with his recovery and is expected back soon.

"Alflaila is still back at Shadwell, I had an update a few weeks ago and he was back cantering," he said. "I'm hoping he'll be back with me next week or the week after at the latest."

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TATTERSALLS ONLINE APRIL SALE LINEUP RELEASED

A total of 33 lots have been catalogued for the Tattersalls Online April Sale and can be viewed [here](#). Bidding for the sale commences from 12 noon on Tuesday, Apr. 4 and closes from 12 noon on Wednesday, Apr. 5. The catalogue is comprised of 28 horses in and out of training from both Flat and National Hunt disciplines, four broodmares and a yearling filly by Planteur (Ire), sire of dual Group 1 winner Trueshan (Fr).

Set to go through the ring from Darren Bunyan's Blackmiller Stables is three-time winner **Elzaam Blue (Ire)** (Elzaam {Aus}) (lot 25). Posting a victory on his most recent start at Dundalk on Feb. 15, he is out of the Dansili (GB) mare Ghostflower (Ire), making him a half-brother to Jebel Ali S. victor Lost Eden (Ire) (Seas The Stars {Ire}). [Cont. p8](#)



Elzaam Blue at Dundalk | Tattersalls

Tattersalls Online Cont.

A pair of other lots to watch include 5-year-old gelding **Dinoo (Ire)** (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**) (lot 24) offered by Roger Varian's Carlburg Stables, who won his most recent start on Feb. 23 at Newcastle. Also of note, Sophie Buckley's Culworth Grounds Farm will present two mares, including **Jumeirah Street** (Street Cry {Ire}) (lot 4) who is offered in foal to G1 Derby hero Masar (Ire).

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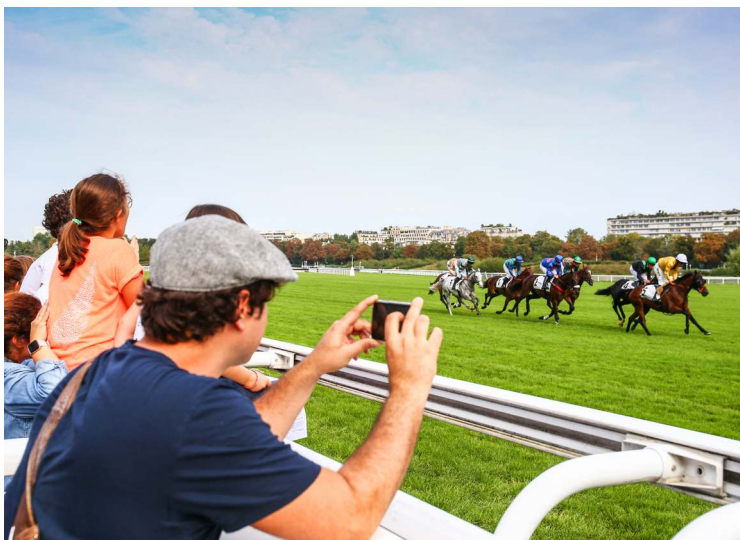
MAISONS-LAFFITTE SALE GOES THROUGH

Former racecourse Maisons-Laffitte, which was in operation until November of 2018, has been sold, France Galop announced on Wednesday.

Included in the sale to the Etablissement Public Foncier d'Ile-de-France (EPFIF) mandated by the City of Maisons-Laffitte, includes buildings on the site including the grandstand, as well as the racecourses proper, and the golf course installed in the centre of the courses. Negotiations for the sale of the property were held throughout 2022. The news of the successful sale was welcomed by France Galop.

Back in April of 2021, the City of Maisons-Laffitte had expressed interest in the site and in October of the same year, the Maisons-Laffitte City Council had given their approval for a purchase offer made by the EPFIF. Following negotiations with the various stakeholders, the members of the France Galop Committee voted in December 2022 to sell the Maisons-Laffitte racecourse.

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Fans watch a field race for the wire at Maisons-Laffitte | Scoop Dyga

SIR MARK PRESCOTT TO JOIN HALL OF FAME PANEL

With over 2,000 winners to his credit since 1970, trainer Sir Mark Prescott has joined the Judging Panel for the QIPCO British Champions Series Hall of Fame after the passing of James Delahooke, the organisation said in a release on Wednesday.

"The Hall of Fame is a great initiative that promotes the best in our sport and stimulates further interest in the National Horseracing Museum in Newmarket," Prescott said. "I'm surprised and honoured to be invited to join such a tip-top Hall of Fame judging panel, and to be tasked with making such important decisions."

Inductions are decided upon by a panel of horseracing experts. This year's class will be announced ahead of the QIPCO Guineas Festival, while the ceremony will take place during that event in May. The National Horseracing Museum in Newmarket will also unveil an updated Hall of Fame exhibition at that time.

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HOW THEY FARED

5.35 Navan, Mdn, €12,000, 3yo/up, c/g, 8ft

Ballsbridge (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), the first foal out of the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere and G1 Moyglare Stud S. heroine Happily (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), was in the fight for much of the straight before tiring to finish fourth.

BRITAIN

Wednesday's Results:

5th-Lingfield, £11,400, Novice, 3-29, 3-5yo, 10f (AWT), 2:05.37, st.
DASHO LENNIE (GB) (c, 3, Territories {Ire}--Sami {GB}, by Champs Elysees {GB}), not seen since finishing fourth in a decent Sandown maiden in August, raced behind the leading trio throughout the early stages. Staying on up the inside of Edge Of Ember (GB) (Cracksman {GB}) in the straight, the 7-4 favourite overhauled that rival close home to prevail by a head. The winner is the first foal out of the unraced dam, whose 2-year-old colt by Sea The Moon (Ger) was a 42,000gns purchase by John Foote Bloodstock at the Book 2 Sale. [Cont. p9](#)

5th-Lingfield Cont.

A half-sister to four black-type performers headed by the Listed Sandringham H. winner and G3 Nell Gwyn S.-placed Festivale (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and to the dams of last year's G1 Chariot S. third Grande Dame (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) and Listed Feilden S. scorer and 2000 Guineas fourth Eydon (Ire) (Olden Times {GB}), she also has a yearling colt by Territories (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$8,669. O-Brook Stud; B-Brook Stud Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Seán Woods.

3rd-Kempton, £11,000, Novice, 3-29, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:12.75, st/sl.

ALPHA ZULU (GB) (c, 3, Zoustar {Aus}--La Rioja {GB} {GSW-Eng, GSP-Fr, GSP-Ire, \$119,157}, by Hellvelyn {GB}), runner-up over this trip on debut at Newcastle early this month, broke well to track the leader in second. In front approaching the furlong pole, the 8-13 favourite was pushed out to register a 1 1/2-length success from Peony (GB) (Churchill {Ire}). The dam, who was also second on debut before going one better and then landing the G3 Dick Poole Fillies S., was also placed in the G3 Summer S., G3 Prix de Seine-et-Oise and G3 Renaissance S. The winner, who shares her second dam with the G1 Prix Morny-placed Rhythm Master (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and the G2 Temple S. scorer and G1 King's Stand S. and G1 Prix de l'Abbaye-placed Liberty Beach (GB) (Cable Bay {Ire}) is kin to the 2-year-old colt Morning Suit (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and a full-brother to a yearling colt. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$12,903. O-Qatar Racing Limited; B-The La Rioja Partnership (GB); T-James Ferguson.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Deceiver (GB), g, 3, Cracksman (GB)--Penny Drops (GB) (MSP-Eng, SP-Fr), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Kempton, 3-29, 7f (AWT), 1:26.18. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$6,581. B-Mr & Mrs G Middlebrook (GB). *\$7,000gns RNA Ylg '21 TATOCT.

IRELAND

Wednesday's Results:

2nd-Navan, €14,500, Cond, 3-29, 4yo/up, 14fT, 3:26.71, hy.
FRENCH CLAIM (FR) (c, 4, French Fifteen {Fr}--Zahrada, by Galileo {Ire}), who was third in last year's G1 Irish Derby, tracked the leader initially. Soon in command, the 4-9 favourite whose 2-year-old full-sister is named Diane Spirit (Fr) was eased late to register a perfect confidence-boosting return success by 7 1/2 lengths from Taipan (Fr) (Frankel {GB}). Sales history: €9,000 Ylg '20 ARQAU; £36,000 2yo '21 TATGOR. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Ire, 8-3-0-2, \$135,611.

O-Teme Valley; B-Mathieu Daguzan-Garros & Jean-Claude Gour (FR); T-Paddy Twomey.

4th-Navan, €12,000, Mdn, 3-29, 3yo, 10fT, 2:24.68, hy.
GOOLOOGONG (IRE) (c, 3, Australia {GB}--Muwakaba, by Elusive Quality), a full-brother to the G2 Blandford S. winner and G1 Irish Oaks runner-up Cayenne Pepper (Ire), had blown the start when fifth on his sole outing behind stablemate Bertinelli (Justify) over a mile at Dundalk in November and cut a different figure here gaining the lead soon after the break. Galloping on strongly as Nation's Call (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) briefly threatened inside the final two furlongs, the 5-2 favourite hit the line strong with 2 1/4 lengths to spare over that rival, who was in turn 14 lengths clear of the remainder. "Ryan gave him a lovely ride and he spoke very nicely of him," Aidan O'Brien's representative Chris Armstrong said. "He'll fit into one of the [Derby] trials now and we'll see how he goes. He's a mile-two-furlongs-plus horse, has a lovely attitude and is a typical Australia." Cayenne Pepper (Ire), who was also placed in two renewals of the G1 Pretty Polly S., was a 2 million gns purchase by Tom Magnier at the 2021 Tattersalls December Mares Sale. The third dam is Allegretta (GB) (Lombard {Ger}), responsible for the great Urban Sea (Miswaki) whose son Galileo (Ire) is the sire of Gooloogong and Cayenne Pepper's 2-year-old half-brother. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$8,102. O-Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith; B-Capital Bloodstock (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.



Gooloogong (right) | Racingfotos.com

7th-Navan, €12,000, Mdn, 3-29, 3yo/up, 8fT, 2:00.48, hy.
DRUMROLL (IRE) (c, 3, Deep Impact {Jpn}--Maybe {Ire} {Ch. 2yo Filly-Eur, G1SW-Ire, SW & G1SP-Eng, \$469,223}, by Galileo {Ire}), a full-brother to the G1 2000 Guineas and G1 Racing Post Trophy hero Saxon Warrior (Jpn), was slowly away and forced to play catch-up for much of the contest. **Cont. p10**

7th-Navan Cont.

Sticking to his guns late on as the leaders trod water up the hill, the 13-2 shot wore down Time Tells All (Ire) (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**) close to the line to register a highly encouraging half-length success from that fellow newcomer who is a half-brother to Homeless Songs (Ire) (**Frankel {GB}**). "Seamie [Heffernan] was happy with Drumroll once the penny dropped, but he was very green early," Aidan O'Brien's representative Chris Armstrong said. "He did his best work towards the end. We'll maybe look at a conditions race or see how he progresses and fit him in to one of the trials." The talented dam, who captured the G1 Moyglare Stud S. and G2 Debutante S. to obtain European champion 2-year-old filly status before finishing third in the G1 1000 Guineas, has also produced Deep Impact's listed-placed Pavlenko (Jpn) and More Beautiful (**War Front**) who also achieved black-type in that manner. A full-sister to the G3 Silver Flash S. scorer Promise To Be True (Ire) and to the dam of last year's G3 Prix Thomas Bryon winner Continuous (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), she hails from the family of the G1 Oaks and G1 Preis der Diana heroine Dancing Rain (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Her yearling colt is by **Kingman (GB)**. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,809. **VIDEO**.

O-Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/D Smith/Westerberg; B-Maybe Syndicate (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.

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FRANCE

Wednesday's Result:

4th-Le Mans, €21,000, 3-29, 3yo, f, 1950mT, 2:05.84,
vs.

LA FILOMENA (IRE) (f, 3, Lope De Vega {Ire}--Sagaciously {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Lawman {Fr}), runner-up when last seen over 9 1/2 furlongs on Deauville's Polytrack in November, broke awkwardly before stalking the early pace. Also awkward on the final bend, the 3-5 favourite was nevertheless in front at the top of the two-furlong straight and stayed on strongly to score by three lengths from Flores (Fr) (Fast Company {Ire}). The winner is the second foal out of the listed-placed dam, whose first was Lope De Vega's Listed Prix Pelleas scorer Epic Poet (Ire) who was also

third in the G3 Prix du Prince d'Orange. Kin to the dam of the G1 Commonwealth Cup, G1 Prix Morny and G1 Middle Park S. hero Perfect Power (Ire) (Ardad {Ire}), she hails from the Aga Khan family of the Arc hero Sagamix (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}) and Shastye (Ire) (Danehill) who produced Ballydoyle's Group 1-winning Galileo (Ire) siblings Japan (GB) and Mogul (GB) and the high-class filly Secret Gesture (GB). Sales history: 210,000gns Wlg 20 TATFOA; 310,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, €19,950. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

O-White Birch Farm; B-George J Kent (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

1st-Le Mans, €22,000, 3-29, 4yo/up, 1950mT, 2:06.01, vs.

AFTER THE RAIN (IRE) (f, 4, Shamardal--Anjaz {GSW-US, \$195,378}, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-1, €39,774. O-Godolphin SNC; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. *1/2 to Dubai Future (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSW-Bah, MSW & MGSP-UAE, SW & MGSP-Eng, GSP-SAR, \$2,106,617.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Uragano (Fr), c, 3, Summer Front--Alone (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Le Mans, 3-29, 1950mT, 2:07.62. B-M Mouni (FR). *€50,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT.

Lady Chapel (Fr), f, 4, Zarak (Fr)--Last Song (GB), by Singspiel (Ire). Le Mans, 3-29, 1950mT, 2:04.41. B-Peter-Robert Spiller.

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