

BOLT D'ORO, MENDELSSOHN FILLIES SET PACE AT OBS SUNDAY



Hip 141 | Judit Seipert

by Jessica Martini

A filly by **Mendelsohn** (**hip 141**) had the fastest furlong breeze of Sunday's first session of the under-tack show for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training, while a daughter of Bolt d'Oro (**hip 3**) turned in the day's fastest quarter-mile breeze.

Consigned by Off the Hook, LLC, hip 141 worked the furlong in **:9 3/5** an hour and a half into Sunday's session of the breeze show. The bay filly is out of the unraced Caroline Victoria (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}), a daughter of graded winner Mighty Caroline (Stormy Atlantic) and from the family of Grade I winner American Theorem. She was bred in Florida by J Stables and Gelfenstein Farm.

Hip 3 skipped her quarter-mile in **:20 3/5** just minutes into the session, which began at 8 a.m. with temperatures in the upper 60s. The dark bay filly is out of stakes winner and graded-placed Above Fashion (Paddy o'Prado). She is consigned by Brandon and Ali Rice's RiceHorse Stable, which purchased her for \$160,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton October Sale.

The New York-bred filly will sell just at the start of the four-day Spring sale Apr. 25, so Brandon Rice said he knew she needed to set herself apart from the crowd with her work Sunday.

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PRIME-TIME REAL ESTATE REMAINS VACANT ON DERBY PREP CALENDAR

The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

An unintended consequence of moving all of the final, 100-point, nine-furlong preps for the GI Kentucky Derby to four weeks out is that there is now nearly a full month without any meaningful (to the general public) action in the lead-up to America's most historic and important horse race.

When viewed alongside other professional sports, which have significantly expanded their playoff structures in recent seasons to capitalize on the immediacy (and bettability) of wild-card and play-in games with last-chance qualifying berths on the line, the lead-up to the Derby has gone in the opposite direction, minimizing the relevancy of making the final cut as the main event looms closer. **Cont. Pg 4**

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Malcolm Parrish's American Flag (Fr) (**Wootton Bassett** {GB}) annexed ParisLongchamp's time-honoured course-and-distance trial for the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and did not disappoint with another sharp display.

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“She has the tactical speed to go an eighth, but we decided, with her being so early in the sale, we couldn’t afford to blend in,” Rice said. “We wanted to make sure that we set ourselves apart. We knew that she had tenacity and a will to run and that’s the heart that you find in those good horses. We were delighted that she was able to put her best foot forward.”

Ali and Brandon Rice are both from legendary pinhooking families and RiceHorse Stable had almost immediate success when the couple teamed up. Humble and Hungry (Limehouse), a \$7,000 Fasig-Tipton October yearling sold for \$200,000 at the 2010 OBS Spring Sale and went on to be a graded-stakes winner on the track.

“Ali and I, we play pretty humble pinhooking and we make a living modestly in this business trying to flip horses in partnerships and on our own,” Rice said. “We buy horses for \$5,000 and \$10,000—kind of like

my dad [Bryan Rice] did when he had a Breeders’ Cup champion [Storm the Court] a couple years back with a \$5,000 horse who sold for \$60,000. And our first pinhook together was a \$7,000 horse who sold for \$200,000.”



Hip 3 | Thorostride/Matt Goins

The Rices knew early on that they had something special with their speedy filly.

“Every once in a while, we get these moments of brilliance where we have an elite athlete and they usually show themselves in early spring when you breeze them and they have a big stride and just ridiculous stamina,” Rice said. “She was one of those that was just a step better than most other horses all season in her turn of foot and her love of the game, her willingness. And she has a huge stride that made everything look

easy.”

Rice agreed the filly’s six-figure yearling price was an unusual stretch for the operation. **Cont.**

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By the last set of Sunday’s session, which ended shortly after 1 p.m., temperatures were up in the mid-80s and there was a noticeable headwind, according to Rice.

“Throughout the day, the headwind was picking up for the last couple of sets,” Rice said. “I had a couple of :10 2/5 and :10 3/5’s that suffered from it. And then the warmth--it definitely feels like spring in Florida--that weather does slow things down, as does the headwind. So it might have been a tick or two slower as the day went on. Anyone that shops at sales knows that.”

The under-tack show continues through Saturday, with each session beginning at 8 a.m. The Spring sale will be held Apr. 25-28 and bidding commences each day at 10:30 a.m.

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The Week In Review Cont. From Pg. 1

Although four-week spacing is in line with the current less-is-more approach to training top-level sophomores, it’s difficult to believe that trend is so etched in stone that it necessitates stacking up the final, most lucrative preps so that three races with the exact same conditions at the exact same distance--the GI Blue Grass S., the GI Santa Anita Derby, and the GI Wood Memorial S.--all must go off within an hour of each other four weeks prior to the first Saturday in May. **Cont.**



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No disrespect to 'TDN Rising Star' **Disarm (Gun Runner)**, but the six points he accrued by running third in this past Saturday's **GIII Lexington S.** at Keeneland didn't exactly make for must-watch racing. It elevated him from 26th to 18th on the qualifying list and dislodged one other competitor, fellow 'Rising Star' **Jace's Road (Quality Road)**.

The Lexington S. is more of a last-gasp shot at the tail end of the "Road to the Kentucky Derby" points series with only 20 total points up for grabs, and its 1 1/16-miles distance is a cutback compared to the stakes that precede it.

If the Derby is going to have a qualifying points system, why not accentuate the inherent drama of racking up points when they are most coveted? If one of those final three 100-points, 1 1/8-miles stakes were to get boldly repositioned to three weeks out, would horses not come?



Angel of Empire wins the 2023 GI Arkansas Derby | Coady

I think they would-and there would be additional advantages to the track that tries it from the perspective of having a marquee day of racing without much competition.

As recently as 2021, Oaklawn Park was the "only game in town" three Saturdays before the Derby, with its premier stakes, the GI Arkansas Derby, the focal point on the national calendar.

Over the previous decade, that three-week template worked pretty well. It was the springboard for **American Pharoah's** Triple Crown campaign in 2015, plus the Arkansas Derby also produced the 2012 Kentucky Derby favorite, Bodemeister (who ran second in Louisville), and the 2019 Kentucky Derby morning-line favorite, Omaha Beach, who had to scratch days before the race with an entrapped epiglottitis.

But in 2022, Oaklawn readjusted its series of prep races by moving back the date of the Arkansas Derby so it sat five weeks out. A pre-Kentucky Derby void now exists that generates little meaningful news or excitement, and the kicker is that this past weekend is also a traditionally slow one on the mid-April national sports landscape.



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No, this is not an unrealistic plea to roll back the clock four decades to the era when Churchill Downs used to card the Derby Trial S. on the Tuesday (four days!) before the Derby itself, where it served as a legitimate prep opportunity.

But it's interesting to see how the timetable has evolved for the spacing of the spring's big 3-year-old stakes at Keeneland, Santa Anita and Aqueduct.

The Blue Grass was last run three weeks before the Derby in 2014, having occupied that spot on the calendar for 26 years. As recently as 1988, it was carded 10 days before the Derby.

The Santa Anita Derby has maintained four-week spacing prior to the Kentucky Derby since 1981, when it ran 20 days before the Derby. In 1980 and in some years in the 1970s, a late-March placement five weeks out was the norm.

The last time the Wood Memorial ran three weeks out from the Derby was in 2004. It had been that way since 1993, when two weeks out was the standard.



Lord Miles (outside) wins the GII Wood Memorial | Sarah Andrew

Of those three races, the Wood Memorial could be best positioned to make a move back to three weeks out. The New York Racing Association (NYRA) has been innovative about readjusting other aspects of its stakes schedule in recent years. And-let's face it-as the lone Grade II race among that trio, it has more incentive to distinguish itself in an effort to regain the Grade I status that the American Graded Stakes Committee stripped away after the 2016 edition.

Had the Wood (and its same-day supporting stakes) been carded for Apr. 15 this year, it wouldn't have had to contend with the opening Saturday of the Keeneland meet, and it would have simultaneously sidestepped the biggest day of the Santa Anita season. In addition, all of racing on that Apr. 8 weekend had to go up against the immensely popular Masters golf tournament, which since the advent of legalized sports wagering in the United States has intensified the competition for viewing eyeballs and betting dollars. **Cont.**



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There's another upstream advantage to making the switch as well: When Oaklawn retooled its Derby prep schedule, it also left a vacancy in the national schedule for the third week of March, which had previously been occupied by the GII Rebel S.

This year and last season there were no points-awarding "Road to the Derby" stakes in the two weeks between the GIII Tampa Bay Derby and the GII Louisiana Derby. If NYRA were to retrofit the Wood to three weeks before the Kentucky Derby, it could also move the GIII Gotham S. off its similarly crowded first-Saturday-in March slot, giving it solo status in mid-March while also putting the race in a spot where it isn't as endangered by the threat of winter weather.

Despite their shifting placements on the calendar, the last Wood Memorial winner to score in the Derby was Fusaichi Pegasus in 2000, and the last Blue Grass winner to wear a blanket of roses in Louisville was Strike the Gold in 1991. The Santa Anita Derby has been more recently productive, with its winners scoring in the Kentucky Derby in 2018, 2014 and 2012.

Maybe it will take Disarm winning the Derby this year off a three-week prep to nudge some track to claim that potentially lucrative piece of prime-time real estate.

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WHEN DO CAWS HELP AND HURT CALIFORNIA RACING?



Benoit

by Dan Ross

Last month, a [lengthy Financial Times feature](#) detailed the growing share of overall handle generated through Computer Assisted Wagering (CAW)--both in California and nationwide.

CAW players are a small group of high-volume and largely anonymous gamblers with an outsized impact on the betting markets due in no small part to the sophisticated wagering tools at their disposal. Because of their high stakes play, they're offered inducements in the form of rebates and reduced



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takeout rates largely not available to the average punter.

CAW proponents argue that these deep-pocketed players provide much needed financial ballast to an industry in flux. Critics say the industry has bent over backwards to accommodate their trade, to the point where their influence on betting pools is akin to a run-away train. It's not an easily told story--attention needs to be paid to the numbers behind the numbers.

Using California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) data, the story illustrated the way total California handle has shrunk appreciably between 2007 and 2021, but the share of that handle from CAWs has increased hand over fist during the same window.

When it comes to by far the most influential of these computer syndicates, the Elite Turf Club--a Curacao-based company owned in part by The Stronach Group and NYRA Bets LLC--their share of overall wagering has increased from about 3% to roughly 30% between 2007 and 2021, according to the FT's analysis of CHRB data.

Just two Elite Turf Club accounts account for the majority of all "Elite Turf Club" wagers bet, the FT calculated. Though here it should also be noted that other important betting entities facilitate CAW play, including some key ADW platforms.

Bill Nader, president and CEO of the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC), told the *TDN* that the Elite Turf Club's percentage share of the overall handle during Santa Anita's recently completed "Classic Meet"--which ran Dec. 26 last year through April 9--was 22.89%.

This number is important for one crucial reason: There is a tipping-point when the percentage share from CAW players on overall handle becomes so large that their participation at these levels becomes unsustainable--that it begins, essentially, to cannibalize the market.

"I think everyone would pretty much agree that around 25% is the cap and anything above that might be taking it too far," said Nader, who presides over the organization given final say over any betting-related contracts inked in the state.

"Even the CAW player would agree that in striking the right balance through their lens--to avoid the CAW player competing against the CAW player which is not what their model wants--they need liquidity in the pools for distribution of investment," said Nader.

Scott Daruty, president of Elite Turf Club, agrees there's a balance to strike--but he takes a more circumspect route as to what the tipping point is, highlighting different variables factoring into the equation, like the size and location of a racetrack.

"There are very different answers. I can only speak to the tracks that we operate," said Daruty, pointing to the 1/ST Racing facilities. **Cont.**

2 first crop GSWs at the Keeneland meet!

KEY OF LIFE recorded her third Stakes success in yesterday's **Beaumont S. [G2]**

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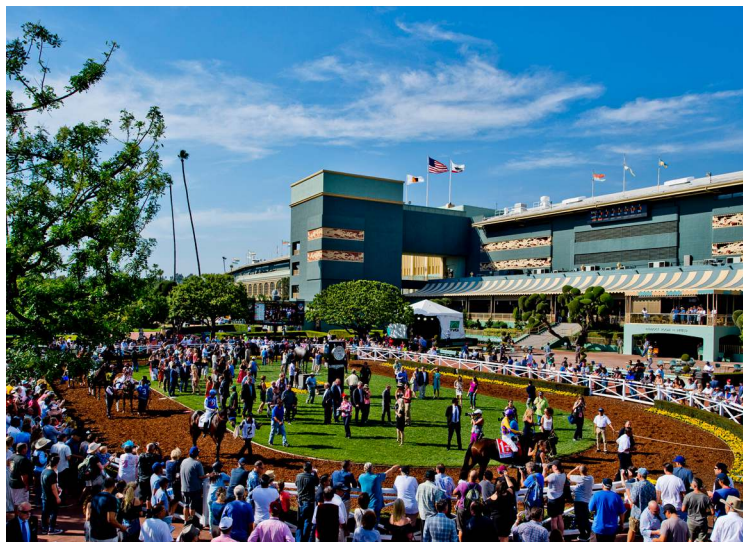
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"I would think if CAW is 15% of the pool, you're fine. I think if it's 30% or more of the pool, I personally would start to get worried about that," Daruty said. "Other tracks who have different circumstances may answer that question differently."

Does the 22.89% CAW play on total handle from the recent Santa Anita Classic Meet strike the right balance?

"I am not overly troubled at 22% if in fact that is the [right] number," said Daruty, adding how, at the time of the interview,

he was not able to verify the figure.

Earlier this week, the Daily Racing Form reported that Santa Anita will cut purse levels for the upcoming Spring meet. This cut was anticipated months in advance, said Nader, but has been influenced by issues like a slate of lost racing days through inclement weather this winter in Southern California.

Not inconsequentially, the purse account is in an operating deficit—a number currently sitting at \$554,417 in the red, but expected to shrink to \$430,789 through June 18, said Nader. How much of the state's purse account deficit can be attributed to the impacts from CAW play?

"They're volume players and they make a significant contribution," Nader responded. "That's where I come back to the need to strike the right balance."

Modifications Already Instituted in California

That said, efforts have already been made at Santa Anita and Golden Gate Fields to control CAW growth in California—the first concerning the Rainbow Pick 6.

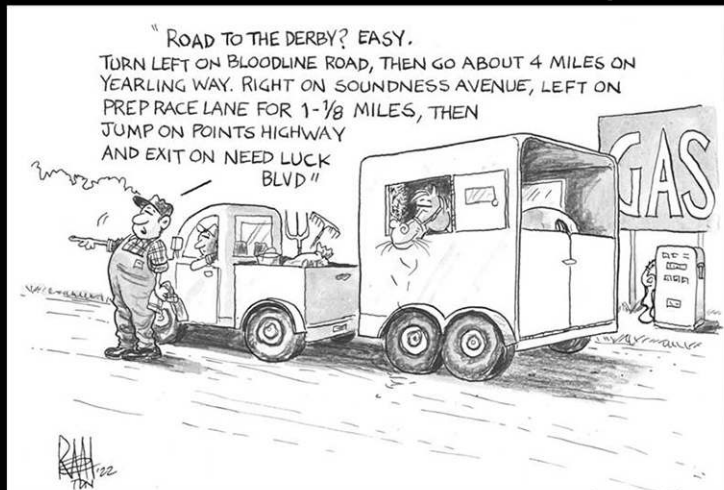
Since Santa Anita's fall meet last year, CAW players have been prohibited from taking out the Rainbow Pick 6 jackpot on a non-mandatory payout day.

"CAW players must bet in a 40-cent unit which means they can't take out the jackpot," Nader said. **Cont.**

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By rule, the only way the jackpot would be paid is to a single 20-cent unit.

The second concerns a *bête noir* of CAWs among ordinary gamblers--swinging last-minute odds changes. In response, CAW players must pay a surcharge of around 3.5% on top of their normal rate if they want to bet to the close of the win-pool, said Nader.

These modifications, said Daruty, were made at least partly in response to player feedback.

"There were complaints about late-odds shifts and a lot of focus on CAW players as the cause of that, and we wanted to take steps to try to alleviate the problem if not wholly at least partially," Daruty said.

Have these modifications rectified the problem of late-odds changes? "We've monitored it carefully and we believe it has had a materially beneficial impact on that issue," Daruty replied, leaving the door ajar for further possible pricing changes in CAW play.

"I don't know there is ever a perfect answer or a final answer," Daruty said, adding that anything more specific on possible pricing tweaks would be a hypothetical. "It's an issue we will continue to monitor and if necessary make adjustments."

Nader took a similar stance to Daruty, saying that the CAW surcharge is so prohibitive, "it effectively prices them out of participating in the win pool."

But these modifications haven't fully addressed the issue of striking the right balance between CAW and non-CAW play, Nader added, once again saying "it's all about how we control access to the pools and how we price it to ensure fairness."

As to what additional controls on the betting pools could and should be instituted, Nader also largely steered away from specifics, explaining that contract negotiations are ongoing between the tracks and the TOC with the Del Mar summer meet on the horizon.

Del Mar offers an intriguing case study as to the growing impact from CAWs in California.

According to [publicly available CHRB data](#), the total amount Elite Turf Club wagers at Del Mar annually has increased nearly 56% comparing 2018 data--the year prior to the Santa Anita welfare crisis and a global pandemic--and 2022 numbers.

On a handle-per-race basis, the increase is even more stark. Comparing 2018 numbers to 2022, the Elite Turf Club's per-race handle increased 73.1% at Del Mar.

"I'm not trying to avoid the question, but we still need to have the conversations with the track partners," Nader said, when asked about specifics concerning these ongoing negotiations. "We have the rights to approve, but I need to respect the position of the tracks. We need to come together."



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Nader pointed, however, towards the higher takeout wagers--like the Pick 4, 5 or 6 bets--as an area for possible pricing modifications.

"The CAW players have gravitated towards the multi-leg wagers which are higher takeout wagers. In many cases, higher takeout wagers can lead to higher rebates. There's where I think there's room for discussion," said Nader.

For win, place and show or Exacta wagers, the takeout is extracted one time for each race. In the multi-leg wagers, however, the takeout is extracted only one time for a sequence of races.

"So, in terms of payments to tracks through commissions and to owners through purses, those dollars are not working nearly as hard as they would be in the single race pools," said Nader.

Concern Over Core Customers

The Thoroughbred Idea Foundation (TIF), an industry think-tank, has been banging the drum about the rise of CAWs, and the implications for the industry, for several years.

Just this March, TIF co-founder Craig Bernick [warned](#) that the current trajectory of CAW play risks substantial losses to both mainstream betting customers and to racehorse ownership.

In the same vein, Pat Cummings, TIF executive director and a former executive with the Hong Kong Jockey Club, stressed how vigilant California horsemen should be to the impacts from CAW to the long-term sustainability of the state's racing industry.

"No group should be pushing more for reform in this space--and to date, that has not really happened," Cummings said, pointing to how California's purses are built solely upon handle, unlike other states which bolster their purse revenues through other sources. "Wagering is the lifeblood of the sport, but in America, nowhere more so than California." **Cont.**

As such, pricing is key. “The growth of CAW play is proof that the cost we charge bettors via takeout matters,” Cummings said.

“If takeout was higher for CAWs, they wouldn't wager or churn as much as they do,” Cummings added. “And while we don't have access to the deals cut to incentivize them, their overall growth is the sign that improving their experience through better pricing has worked.”

Indeed, the lack of public transparency by the industry at large about the impact from CAWs is glaring. Take the CHRB, one of the more transparent commissions when it comes to CAW data.

Until 2021, the CHRB issued [detailed annual betting data](#) on individual Elite Turf Club accounts. Last year, the CHRB lumped all Elite Turf Club accounts into one block.

More specifically, the incentives offered these players is another major bugbear of CAWs. According to the FT, the rebates that CAW players receive can be around 10% of whatever they bet.

When asked if these details should be made public, Nader said that any effort at pricing transparency should ideally be done uniformly across the nation. “But I'm not sure there's a willingness to do that,” said Nader, who added that legal obstacles could similarly hinder such endeavors.

When asked the same question, Daruty said that “we believe very strongly that the personal wagering habits of our customers and their personal situations is something that should remain private, so we're not prepared to discuss specific rebates of specific players—that would not be appropriate.”

Individual rebates, Daruty explained, are dependent upon a wide variety of factors.

“Thus far we haven't found a one-size fits all model that we think makes sense for our racetracks, the horsemen who run there, as well as our customers. Until we can come up with such a model, we're going to continue to have a wide variety of rebates available to a wide variety of customers,” Daruty added.

Which leads to a fear among track operators that weakened CAW incentives could drive these price-sensitive players from the game. At the same time, without controls on CAW access to the betting pools, CAW is only going to further sour the average gambler to the game, Nader admitted.

“For the casual bettor, I'm not so sure,” Nader said. “It's the core customers, they're the ones I'm concerned about. I'm talking about the ones at a level just below the CAWs—they're the ones contributing on a day-to-day basis or participating at a higher rate. We want to make sure we're looking after their interests.”

What should that look like? Nader skirted specifics, calling it “a question for the industry at large to look at.” That said, “the key is introducing new people to the sport. Maybe we haven't done a good job at that for the last 10 to 20 years.”

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KEY OF LIFE JUST HANGS ON IN BEAUMONT



Key of Life (right) just holds off Interpolate | Coady

The model of consistency, **Key of Life (Mo Town)** turned in another gutsy performance Sunday with a coast-to-coast win in the GII Beaumont S., the final race in the 2023 Road to the Kentucky Oaks.

Never off the board in her seven prior starts, including a three-race win streak last Fall at both Churchill Downs and Keeneland, the \$350,000 OBS April grad entered off a 3 1/4-length score in Oaklawn's Purple Martin S. where she posted a career-best 91 Beyer Speed Figure.

Bet like a sure thing at 2-5, Key of Life cruised to the early lead right from the jump despite her outside gate and cleared down just off the rail with **Opus Forty Two (Mendelssohn)** and **Stonewall Star (Flatter)** in hot pursuit a length back. Alone on the front end through swift opening fractions of :22.24 and :44.87, Key of Life hit the quarter pole looking as if the race was all but won. But further back in the field, **Interpolate** was coming with an eye-catching rally from fourth, circling up past both pursuers to move into second despite a wide run around the turn. With a furlong left to race and Key of Life still to catch, Interpolate kept grinding away, pulling within a neck but coming up just short as Key of Life found the wire first. With the win, Key of Life earned 10 points towards the GI Kentucky Oaks in less than three weeks time.

“She's very fast away from (the gate) and she's obviously got a lot of speed,” said winning trainer Brad Cox. “She likes Keeneland a lot.” **Cont.**



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"I like Keeneland and she likes Keeneland; she's three-for-three here. I'd like to congratulate (owners) Staton Flurry and Greg Hoffman (of Flurry Racing Stables and Hoffman Family Racing, respectively). This was a last-minute decision, so I want to commend those guys. I called them Tuesday and told them I was looking at this race. She was at Oaklawn, so it was a last-minute decision to bring her here and it worked out well. She had no graded black type, so that obviously was appealing. This (win) added a lot to her value and we're very proud of what she was able to accomplish today."

Pedigree Notes:

The fourth winner from as many to make the races out of Longride to Wisdom, Key of Life traces back to MGSW and current Hill 'n' Dale stallion **Kantharos** (Lion Heart). She becomes the third graded-stakes winner for **Mo Town** whose first crop are now 3-year-olds.

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BEAUMONT S. PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SELECT-GII,

\$390,250, Keeneland, 4-16, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:27.32, ft.

1--KEY OF LIFE, 118, f, 3, by **Mo Town**

1st Dam: Longride to Wisdom, by Harlan's Holiday

2nd Dam: Clever Idea, by Matchlite

3rd Dam: Queen of Savoy, by Conquistador Cielo

1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. (\$42,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT; \$350,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-Flurry Racing Stables LLC & Hoffman Family Racing, LLC; B-Moreau Bloodstock International, Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. \$241,800. Lifetime Record: 8-5-0-3, \$633,275. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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2--Interpolate, 118, f, 3, Into Mischief--Keesha, by **Tapit**.

1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. (\$210,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$300,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG). O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Capital Bloodstock (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. \$78,000.



3--Stonewall Star, 118, f, 3, Flatter--Jonata, by Proud Citizen.

1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. O-Barry K. Schwartz; B-Stonewall Farm (NY); T-Horacio De Paz. \$29,250.

Margins: NK, 6 1/4, 3 3/4. Odds: 0.47, 4.48, 5.87.

Also Ran: She's On the Rocks, Opus Forty Two, Shoplifter, Fun and Feisty. **Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

CHARLES TOWN JOCKEY FINED A GRAND FOR DEEP-STRETCH GAFFE

by T.D. Thornton

Jockey Carlos Eduardo Lopez, currently third in earnings and fourth in wins at Charles Town Races this year, was fined \$1,000 by the track's stewards for losing a win at the wire after his mount was clear by five lengths at the sixteenth pole and he apparently thought he could coast to victory without additional effort.

"Jockey Lopez eased his mount, Stylish Paint, coming to the wire in the ninth race on Saturday, Apr. 8, 2023, causing his horse to get beat on the wire," stated the Apr. 14 stewards' ruling. It was unclear at deadline for this story if Lopez would be appealing the fine.

Lopez, 32, knows Stylish Paint well, having ridden the 6-year-old **Paynter** mare for owner/trainer Ronney Brown in nine of her last eleven races dating back over a year, a span during which he twice won aboard her by narrow margins of a nose and a head.

But he ended up on the wrong end of the photo finish in the ninth and final race Apr. 8, a \$5,000 claimer over seven furlongs that attracted a \$53,250 win pool and was the concluding leg of double, pick three, pick four and pick five pools.

After pressing the pacemaker into submission, the 3-1 Stylish Paint took over with a half-furlong to go. The 3-2 favorite, China Cat (Justin Phillip), was gaining under Andre Ramgeet, but was seemingly left with too much work to do to win.

Lopez chose to hand-ride Stylish Paint after making the lead, then geared her down as the line loomed. But Ramgeet continued driving with China Cat, apparently catching his rival unaware at the finish.

"Oh, it got very close! Carlos Lopez thought he had it won on Stylish Paint, and it got very tight on the wire!" announcer Paul Espinosa, Jr., exclaimed in his race call.

The Equibase chart stated that Stylish Paint "dueled for the nod nearing mid-stretch and drew briefly clear, was allowed to relax in late yards and was nipped under the wire."

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Key of Life (Mo Town) wins the GII Beaumont S.
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FLORIDA DERBY RUNNER UP MAGE RETURNS TO WORK TAB



Mage | Lauren King

Mage (**Good Magic**), last out beaten a length by **Forte** (**Violence**) in the GI **Curlin** Florida Derby, returned to the Gulfstream Park worktab Sunday morning with an easy five furlongs in 1:01.09, as reported by Daily Racing Form's Mike Welsh.

"What we usually do after a big race like we had, we try to go nice and easy. That seems to be what he did today," said Gustavo Delgado Jr., assistant to his father.

Mage, who collected 40 points for his runner-up Florida Derby finish and 10 points for his fourth-place effort in the GII Fountain of Youth, currently sits 16th on the Kentucky Derby leaderboard and may remain at Gulfstream for another breeze before shipping to Churchill Downs.

"If the weather stays like this here, he may have another work here," said Delgado Jr.

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BAIRD DOUBLEDODGARE S.-GIII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Traverse	Street Sense	Claiborne Farm	Mott	Rosario	118
2	Green Up	Upstart	Team Valor International, LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Frost Point	Frosted	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Prat	118
4	Interstatedaydream 🌿	Classic Empire	Flurry Racing Stables LLC	Cox	Geroux	118
5	Moon Swag 🌿	Malibu Moon	Farfellow Farm, Ltd.	Walsh	Saez	118
6	Music Street 🌿	Street Sense	Kim Valerio, Prakash Sham Masand and Grandview Equine	Beckman	Leparoux	118
7	Hidden Connection 🌿	Connect	Hidden Brook Farm and Black Type Thoroughbreds	Calhoun	Gutierrez	118
8	Shotgun Hottie	Gun Runner	Omar Aldabbag and Jeff Ganje	DeVaux	Gaffalione	118

Breeders: 1-Claiborne Farm, 2-Althea Richards, 3-Godolphin, 4-William D. Graham, 5-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 6-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC, 7-St. Simon Place, 8-Vincent Colbert



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

PALISADES S., \$246,469, Keeneland, 4-16, 3yo, 5.5fT, 1:02.71, gd.

1--**GASLIGHT DANCER, 118, c, 3, by City of Light**

1st Dam: Raindrops Droptops, by Medaglia d'Oro

2nd Dam: Rahy Rose, by Rahy

3rd Dam: Rose Park, by Plugged Nickle

(\$80,000 Ylg '21 FTKJUL; \$260,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). **1ST**

BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Paradise Farms Corp., David Staudacher, Skychai Racing LLC and Angelo Carlesimo; B-Springhouse Farm (KY); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Tyler Gaffalione. \$141,438. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$282,554.

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2--**Two of a Kind, 118, c, 3, Overanalyze--Freud's Irish Miss, by Freud.** O-K and R Racing Stable and Town Branch Racing; B-C. W. Swann & Wetherbee Holdings, LLC. (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch. \$45,625.

Trained by Tristan & Valery de Meric

3--**Chiringo, 118, c, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Street Love, by Street Boss.** (\$50,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$260,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR).

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Harrell Ventures, LLC and Seaside Racing; B-Sandra Sexton (KY); T-George Weaver. \$22,813.

 **BRITTON PEAK Graduate | greg@brittonpeak.com** 

Margins: 1HF, 2 1/4, NK. Odds: 6.67, 51.55, 25.25.

Also Ran: Crispy Cat (GB), Private Creed, No Nay Hudson (Ire), Fadethenoise, Bushido, Golden Nugget, Storm Daddy, Damon's Mound, Olazabal. Scratched: New York Thunder.

Gaslight Dancer recorded the first stakes victory of his career with a solid performance in the Palisades S. Sunday at Keeneland.

A maiden winner over the Kentucky Downs turf last September, Gaslight Dancer was the beaten favorite when a narrow runner-up to Nagirroc (**Lea**) in the Oct. 9 GIII Futurity S. He was last seen finishing a respectable sixth after breaking from the far outside in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf over the Keeneland lawn last November.

The bay colt patiently waited his turn along the rail as Bushido (**First Samurai**) blazed a trail. Into the stretch, a trio of suitors vied for the lead, while the Mike Maker trainee cut to the outside. He flashed a nice turn of foot and passed his tiring rivals to win by 1 1/2 length over late-running 51-1 longshot Two of a Kind.

"Looks pretty good," Maker said. "I know last year he was pretty headstrong. [Today] he looked like he settled nice, saved ground and kicked home. Last year, he was all out wanting to go for the lead. I still think he'll stretch out to a mile."

The first of his dam's progeny, the winner also has a 2-year-old half-brother named Moon Raid (**Munnings**). His dam is a half-sister to GSW Summer Raven (Summer Squall), who is responsible for MGSW Lewis Bay (Bernadini) and GIII Holy Bull S. victor Winslow Homer (Unbridled Song). The 8-year-old bay mare RNA'd last November for \$250,000 at Keeneland while in foal to **McKinzie**. Click for the **Equibase.com** chart or **VIDEO**, sponsored by **TVG**.



Gaslight Dancer | Coady Photography

PLENTY OF GRACE S., \$97,000, Aqueduct, 4-16, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35.73, fm.

1--**EVVIE JETS, 123, m, 5, Twirling Candy--Natchez Trace, by Consolidator.** (\$75,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). O-The Estate of Robert J. Amendola; B-Farfellow Farms Ltd. (KY); T-Mertkan Kantarmaci; J-Eric Cancel. \$55,000. Lifetime Record: 18-5-6-2, \$446,530.

 **Hidden Brook Sales Graduate** 

2--**Whitebeam (GB), 118, f, 4, Caravaggio--Sleep Walk (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB).** O-Juddmonte; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd. (GB); T-Chad C. Brown. \$20,000.

3--**Runaway Rumour, 118, m, 5, Flintshire (GB)--Elusive Rumour, by Elusive Quality.** O-Lawrence Goichman; B-Lawrence Goichman (NY); T-Jorge R. Abreu. \$12,000.

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Margins: NK, 1 3/4, 1. Odds: 4.90, 3.40, 8.90.

Also Ran: Spirit And Glory (Ire), Malavath (Ire). Scratched: Impazible Donna, Toned Up.

Evvie Jets made her seasonal debut off a five-month winter freshening a winning one and picked up her second career stakes victory with an impressive wire-to-wire performance Sunday at Aqueduct. The 5-year-old mare, who has found a home on the NYRA turf courses since being haltered for \$80,000 in September of 2021, broke like a shot out of the gate and cruised largely unchallenged around the first turn and all the way up the backstretch. While hugging the rail, she remained content to set a sedate pace, passing the half-mile mark in :49.69 with a clear lead over closest pursuer Runaway Rumour. The Kentucky-bred received a brief challenge from her early stalker, as well as the tracking Whitebeam to her outside just before the quarter pole, but she kicked clear midway down the lane and after a delay in switching leads in deep stretch, successfully held off the charge from the resolute Whitebeam to earn the win.

"She broke really well and after that Eric [Cancel] knows how to set her up for the race," trainer Mertkan Kantarmaci said. "First turn, take it easy, and all the way [down the] backstretch nobody bothered us. That was a big help. I saw the :49.69 and that was beautiful for her because I know she can finish that pace easily. I wasn't sure 100% she was ready. Every layoff makes the horses a little fat and gain weight. Today, she gave everything. With the limited time we had, she did a good job today."

Evvie Jets's dam, the unraced Natchez Trace, is also responsible for Forever Mo (**Uncle Mo**), SP, \$248,315, and her last reported foal is 2-year-old colt by **Catalina Cruiser**. The most notable name in her female family is MGISW Kalookan Queen (Lost Code). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

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5th-Keeneland, \$117,000, Alw, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-16, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.76, ft, neck.

PEACEFUL WATERS (r, 4, Dialed In--Shine Softly {SP}, by Aldebaran) was making his 2023 debut after a third-place finish at this level back in October. The 4-1 shot, always quick out of the gate, sped right to the front and parked two paths off the rail for the run up the backstretch where he maintained at least a one-length advantage over the field for more than a half-mile. He moved out another path as he headed into the top of the stretch and, while maintaining his left lead all the way, dug in for battle against the challenging 7-1 chance Minnesota Ready

(More Than Ready) for the final furlong and was all out to post the narrow victory. Peaceful Waters is a half-brother to The Grass Is Blue (Broken Vow), SW, \$245,328. The winner's stakes-placed dam is a half-sister to champion Soaring Softly (Kris S.) and she was bred to Bolt d'Oro last year. Sales History: \$24,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$50,000 Ylg '20 OBSOCT; \$220,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 9-3-3-2, \$248,050. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Allied Racing Stable, LLC; B-Mark Toothaker & Keith Crupper (KY); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.

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2nd-Keeneland, \$108,245, Alw, 4-16, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT, 2:31.54, gd, 1 length.

SINFILTRE (f, 4, Uncle Mo--Shared Heart {SP}, by Forestry), off the board over dirt, turf and all-weather in the first three starts of her career last fall and winter, graduated when stretched to 1 3/16 miles over Gulfstream's Tapeta course last time out Mar. 3. Getting added ground here, the 9-5 shot bounced out to the early lead and was soon clear. Allowed to lope along unchallenged through a half in :50.41, the bay filly was pressed down the backstretch by I'm So Sorry (**Uncle Mo**), but scampered clear again and resisted that foe once more around the far turn. Elle Est Forte (Flintshire {GB}) moved to challenge the longtime pacesetter in upper stretch, but Sinfilitre was always holding her off to the wire to win by one length. I'm So Sorry was third. Sinfilitre is a half-sister to Chewing Gum (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), GSW & GISP, \$619,063. She has a yearling half-brother by **Game Winner** and her dam was bred to **Upstart** last year. The winner's third dam is multiple group winner Corrazona (El Gran Senor), who produced multiple graded-stakes winner Olmodavor (A.P. Indy). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$111,046. O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



Sinfilitre | Coady Photography

4th-Keeneland, \$140,000, Alw, 4-16, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.34, gd, neck.

GAM'S MISSION (m, 5, Noble Mission {GB}--Auntie Martha, by War Pass), winner of the 2021 GIII Regret S. and the 2022 GIII Mint Julep S., returned from nine months on the sidelines to finish sixth in the GII Hillsborough H. Mar. 11 at Tampa Bay Downs. Sent off at 8-5, the bay mare was taken in hand out of the gate and trailed the field into the first turn. Still last at the top of the lane, she closed powerfully down the center of the course and overtook pacesetter Bubble Rock (More Than Ready) in the final strides to win by a neck. Auntie Martha, in foal to **Good Magic**, sold for \$150,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale. The mare is a daughter of Grade I winner Auntie Mame (Theatrical {Ire}). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: GSW, 12-5-3-0, \$538,423.

O/B-Lazy F Ranch (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux.



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6th-Aqueduct, \$88,000, Alw (NW3\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-16, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:37.74, ft, 9 lengths.

UNBRIDLED BOMBER (c, 4, Upstart--Unbridledexplosion, by Eddington), an allowance winner at Aqueduct Sept. 29, ended the year with an optional-claiming score Nov. 12, but was a well-beaten seventh in his 2023 debut in the Jan. 7 Queen's County S. The 4-1 shot, never far back, overtook even-money favorite Stage Raider (Pioneer of the Nile) rounding the far turn and never looked back in what was a geared-down nine-length victory over **Curlin's Wisdom (Curlin)**. The first of his dam's offspring to make the races, the winner has a 2-year-old half-sister named Candy Explosion (**Unified**) and also a yearling half-sister by Mitole. His dam was bred to **Independence Hall** last year. Sales History: \$35,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record:

15-4-0-2, \$275,850. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Edward C. Potash, Brad Yankanich and James T. Ryerson; B-Unbridled Explosion, LLC (KY); T-James T. Ryerson.



2nd-Aqueduct, \$81,480, Alw, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-16, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:26.03, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

HOT FUDGE (f, 4, Liam's Map--Noelle's Mischief, by Into Mischief), stakes-placed over the Belmont lawn in November of 2021, was sidelined for nearly 15 months before returning with an six-furlong allowance score over the Aqueduct main track Jan. 29. She was third as the beaten favorite over the same last time out Mar. 18. The 8-5 favorite broke alertly and was soon clear on the front end through an easy opening quarter. Pharoah's Heart (**American Pharoah**) moved to challenge the pacesetter into the far turn, but Hot Fudge grimly held off that foe down the length of the stretch to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Hot Fudge was a \$50,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$235,000 OBS April juvenile. Noelle's Mischief has 2-year-old colt by **West Coast** who sold for \$300,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale, as well as a yearling colt by **Daredevil**. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: SP, 7-3-1-1, \$179,280.

O-KEM Stables; B-Edwin Anthony (KY); T-Linda Rice.

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4th-Aqueduct, \$72,000, Alw, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-16, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:27.03, ft, 3 lengths.

SECURITY CODE (f, 3, Frosted--Stopspendingmaria {GSP}, by Montbrook), looking for her first victory since her maiden score at Saratoga back in September, was returning to allowance company following seven stakes attempts in her last nine starts. Bumped slightly out of the gate, she soon made her way over closer to the rail, where she was content to track the pace. Security Code was asked for run while widest of all on the far turn and battled for the lead for a furlong while parked out into the center of the track. Under a steady ride, she drifted in closer to the rail inside the final sixteenth and drew away to earn the three-length victory at odds of 9-2. Fancy Joke (**Practical Joke**) was second and favored I'mhavingamoment (**Uncle Mo**) was third. Security Code's dam also produced the stakes-placed Blewitt (**Uncle Mo**), an unnamed yearling filly by the late Malibu Moon and this year foaled a colt by **Modernist**. Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-3, \$178,240. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-WellSpring Stables; B-Rockridge Stud, LLC, Ascendant Farms, LLC & Godolphin (NY); T-Philip M. Serpe.



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Keeneland, \$96,906, Msw, 4-16, 3yo, 6f, 1:10.01, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

SAUDI CROWN (c, 3, *Always Dreaming*--New Narration, by *Tapit*), let go at 5-1, chased pacesetter favorite Briterdayahead (*Girvin*) while four wide through an opening quarter in :22.29. Some two lengths back following a half in :45.25, the gray colt reeled in the pacesetter with a furlong to run and strode clear with authority to win by 4 3/4 lengths. Wild Thinker (Lord Nelson) chased him home in second, while Briterdayahead was third. Salde Callaghan purchased Saudi Crown for \$45,000 at the 2021 Keeneland January sale and Pedro Lanz, bidding for Faisal Mohammed Alqahtani, acquired him for \$240,000 following a :10 flat work at last year's OBS Spril sale. The unraced New Narration sold in foal to *Yoshida (Jpn)* for \$17,000 at the 2021 Keeneland November sale. She produced a filly last year and was bred back to King for a Day. The winner's second dam is graded winner New Normal (Forestry) and third dam is multiple graded-winner New Economy (Red Ransom). **Click for the *Equibase.com* chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$58,125.

O-FMQ Stables, Inc.; B-Chc Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.



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6th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw, 4-16, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:43.07, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

OCEAN CLUB (f, 3, *Curlin*--Theatre Star {SW & MGSP, \$259,750}, by *War Front*) set the pace before settling for third behind Kentucky Oaks-bound Affirmative Lady (Arrogate) when stretched to 1 1/16 miles over the main track last time out Feb. 26. Moving to the Tapeta after this was taken off the lawn, the 7-5 favorite was unrushed early and settled just in behind the early pacesetter. She was tipped out a path while pulling her way to press Lendhercredit (*Candy Ride (Arg)*) into the far turn. Ocean Club put the pacesetter away into the stretch and sailed clear down the lane to graduate by 5 1/2 lengths. Starship Agenda (*Always Dreaming*) was second. Theatre Star, who was a stakes winner and multiple graded-placed in the Glen Hill Farm colors, is a half-sister to Grade I winner Taris (Flatter). She has a 2-year-old colt by *Medaglia d'Oro* who RNA'd for \$185,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale, and a yearling filly by *Curlin*. **Click for the *Equibase.com* chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$48,800. O/B-Glen Hill Farm (KY); T-Thomas F. Proctor.

9th-Golden Gate Fields, \$36,300, Msw, 4-15, 3yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.80, ft, 1/2 length.

ST. PADDY'S CHARM (g, 3, *Cloud Computing*--Bide a Wee Island, by *Sligo Bay (Ire)*), dismissed at 11-1, was away slowly and was well back behind an opening quarter in :21.70. He began picking it up around the far turn, but was in plenty of traffic at the top of the lane. He found a narrow seam in deep stretch and charged to the lead to graduate by a half-length. The winner, a \$25,000 KEENOV weanling and \$40,000 WASSEP yearling, is a half to Island Commish (Commissioner), GSW, \$269,605. Bide a Wee Island has a 2-year-old filly by *Audible* who sold for \$65,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale and a yearling colt by Laoban who sold for \$37,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale. The mare, a half to multiple graded stakes winner Something Extra (Indian Charlie), was bred to *Maxfield* last year. **Click for the *Equibase.com* chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,000. O-Peerenboom Racing Stables LLC; B-Julia B. Rice & Denny Andrews (KY); T-Dan L. Markle.



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6th-Lone Star, \$33,000, Msw, 4-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.14, fm, 1 length.

GIRL ON THE GO (f, 4, Malibu Moon--First Romance {SP, \$145,901}, by Dynaformer) found the Lone Star Park turf and the flat mile to her liking after a dismal fifth at nine furlongs over Sam Houston's last month and posted an impressive closing victory by a length at odds of more than 8-1. The bay filly settled mid-pack early after the break, content to allow the dueling duo of Cece Wave (Tidal Wave) and Dear Beau (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}) show the way for more than a half-mile. After the latter took the lead while making her way around the far bend, Girl on the Go was asked for run while traveling wide, slipped between rivals at the head of the lane and dug in down the lane to just get past runner-up Mylittlewhiskeygirl (**Constitution**) to earn the win. Her dam, First Romance, also produced an unnamed yearling colt by Laoban. Sales History: \$45,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$21,648. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.** O-Casner Racing, LP; B-Susan Casner (KY); T-Shawn H. Davis.



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, APRIL 17 2023 Stud Fees Listed

Prospect Park (**Tapit**), Sau

42 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Turf Paradise, 7:44 p.m. EDT, Aoc 7 1/2fT, Prospect of Rain, 10-1

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

200 foals of racing age/49 winners/4 black-type winners
2-Turf Paradise, 4:54 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Justin Azteca, 3-1
\$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; RNA ARZ NOV yrl



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IN SINGAPORE:

Schneider, c, 3, Mr Speaker--Gilded Splinters, by Henrythenavigator. Kranji, 4-16, Maiden, 1400mT, 1:22.87. B-Sean & Dorothy Fitzhenry (ON). *\$37,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$12,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. VIDEO



STAKES RESULTS:

ORIGINAL GOLD S., \$76,450, Charles Town, 4-15, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:26.40, ft.

1--**LUCYLOU WHO, 126, f, 4, Sky Mesa--R C's Daisyduke (SW, \$151,775), by Yes It's True. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Robert L Cole (WV); T-Emanuel J. Gerasis; J-Carlos Eduardo Lopez. \$45,870. Lifetime Record: 12-7-2-1, \$194,332.

2--**Xanthe, 118, f, 3, Aldrin--Roche, by Reparations. 1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/T-Gerasimos Moschonas; B-Anne Kilbourne (WV). \$15,290.

3--**Moonlit Shadow, 126, m, 5, Fiber Sonde--Malibu Kitten, by Parker's Storm Cat.** O-Grams Racing Stable LLC; B-Timothy C & Judith A Grams (WV); T-Timothy C. Grams. \$8,410. Margins: 3, 2 1/4, 3HF. Odds: 1.30, 19.90, 7.80.

WILDCAT S., (NB) \$60,000, Turf Paradise, 4-15, 3yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:14.64, fm.

1--**LUVLUV, 122, g, 6, Lakerville--Lucera (Ire), by Fasliyev.** O-Adam Kitchingman; B-Michael Neumann & Francoise Dupuis (CA); T-Adam Kitchingman; J-Jose Valdivia, Jr. \$34,968. Lifetime Record: SP, 27-4-2-5, \$269,750.

2--**Tartini, 122, g, 9, Giant's Causeway--Vignette, by Diesis (GB).** (50,000gns 3yo '17 TATAHI). O-Jeremy Ramsland; B-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Miguel L. Hernandez. \$11,280.

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3--**Surprisinglyperfect, 122, g, 9, Perfect Soul (Ire)--Elusive Surprise, by Elusive Quality.** (\$44,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSOPN; \$9,000 3yo '17 FTKFEB). O-Kirk Sutherland; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Jose Silva, Jr. \$5,640.

Margins: HD, NK, 1 3/4. Odds: 4.60, 7.60, 36.80.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Oaklawn, \$105,000, 4-16, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39.08, ft, 1/2 length.

PATS PROPERTY (h, 5, Carpe Diem--Kika, by Birdstone) Lifetime Record: 13-3-5-1, \$185,000. O-Clabar Mor Stables & Haran Thoroughbreds; B-Catalyst Bloodstock & Erin Knehr (KY); T-John Haran. *\$37,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR.

3rd-Oaklawn, \$104,000, (S), 4-16, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.91, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

ALLO ENRY (c, 4, Jonesboro--Vickis Got Swagger, by Pioneering) Lifetime Record: 17-3-4-2, \$210,529. O-Scotty Caroom; B-Jerry Caroom (AR); T-Martin Villafranco.

8th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, 4-16, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:07.71, fm, nose.

LADY MILAGRO (f, 4, First Dude--Tribecky, by Saint Liam) Lifetime Record: SP, 17-3-3-3, \$190,312. O/B-Dianette Rivas & Amanda Laderer (KY); T-Carlos F. Martin.

3rd-Gulfstream, \$50,300, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 4-16, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT) (off turf), :56.13, ft, 1/2 length.

HOPE IN HIM (g, 4, Chitu--Satan's Mistress {SP, \$238,825}, by Songandaprayer) Lifetime Record: 18-6-1-4, \$192,640. O-Kick Start Farm LLC; B-Michael Frank (FL); T-Barry N. Croft. *\$190,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR.

8th-Laurel, \$48,300, (C), 4-16, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.18, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

BRZINA (f, 4, Great Notion--Barouchka, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-0, \$110,800. O-Helen Marshall; B-Ann Biggs Jackson (MD); T-Kieron Magee. *\$42,000 RNA Ylg '20 EASOCT. *1/2 to Taco Supream (El Padrino), SW, \$406,487; Artful Splatter (Bandbox), SW, \$423,178; and Renaissance Rosie (Jump Start), MSP, \$372,819.

9th-Laurel, \$47,040, (C), 4-16, (C), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.08, ft, 3/4 length.

RAD PAISLEY (g, 5, Liaison--Hidden Fever, by Stormin Fever) Lifetime Record: 29-4-4-7, \$193,060. O-Richard Burnsworth; B-Thomas L. Teal (MD); T-Anthony Farrior. *\$20,000 Wlg '18 EASDEC. **1/2 to Stormin Wendy (Ecclesiastic), SP, \$183,556.



8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$40,132, 4-15, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.74, fm, 1 length.

ONE FAST BRO (g, 6, Coil--Awesome Broad, by Mr. Broad Blade) Lifetime Record: MSW, 24-4-3-7, \$254,641. O-Boardshorts Stables & Payton Boersma; B-Ruis Racing (CA); T-Q Howey. *1/2 to Awesome Return (Decarchy), MSW & GSP, \$480,998; and to One Fast Broad (Decarchy), MSW, \$390,823.

7th-Charles Town, \$38,700, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 4-15, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.68, ft, 1 length.

ISHIHARA (g, 5, Creative Cause--Donerella, by Doneraile Court) Lifetime Record: 20-7-2-4, \$173,725. O/B-Huntertown Farm LLC (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco. *1/2 to Swissarella (Swiss Yodeler), SP, \$283,912.

8th-Evangeline Downs, \$35,000, (S), 4-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.70, wf, 2 3/4 lengths.

RELIC HUNTER (c, 4, Munnings--Lady o' War, by Leestown) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$66,000. O/B-World War IV Racing (LA); T-Allen Landry.

5th-Lone Star, \$33,500, 4-16, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.19, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

JACKMAN'S RIDE (g, 6, Maclean's Music--Heart Tee {SP, \$125,943}, by Lil E. Tee) Lifetime Record: 17-4-2-1, \$86,547. O-Steve Dupy & Randy Chelf; B-Jim Plemmons (KY); T-J. R. Caldwell.

3rd-Lone Star, \$33,500, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-16, 3yo, 6f, 1:12.69, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

GUNFLASH (c, 3, Gun Runner--Flashy Campaign {SP, \$140,860}, by Political Force) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$72,385. O/B-Jerry Namy (KY); T-Karl Broberg. *1/2 to Flash of Mischief (Into Mischief), MSW & GSP, \$780,151; War Campaign (Declaration of War), MSP, \$254,802; and Royal Mesa (Sky Mesa), SP, \$264,916.

6th-Evangeline Downs, \$32,360, 4-15, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:40.76, gd, 3 3/4 lengths.

TEASIN' TESLA (f, 4, Will Take Charge--Miss Atlantic City {MSW, \$299,800}, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-0, \$68,170. O/B-Cantrell Family Partnership (KY); T-Brett A. Brinkman. *1/2 to Miss Southern Miss (More Than Ready), SW & GSP, \$220,399.

6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$26,500, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 4-16, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.06, ft, head.

WINTER'S GHOST (g, 4, He's Had Enough--Brisson, by Ghostzapper) Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-2, \$62,375. O-Patrick Mogauo, Jr.; B-Spring Run Thoroughbred Stable, LLC (FL); T-John Rigattieri.

7th-Turf Paradise, \$21,900, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$10,000-\$12,500), 4-15, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.45, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

PRAYER OF JABEZ (g, 4, Stanford--Alwazabridesmaid, by Kafwain) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-4, \$98,139. O-Anthony DeMarco; B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA); T-Edward J. Kereluk.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Theteasergotloose, f, 3, **Commissioner**--Cannonballcupcake, by Lemon Drop Kid. Lone Star, 4-16, (S), 6f, 1:14.64. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$25,190. B-Hugh Moore (TX).

Cincy's Anna, f, 3, **Fast Anna**--Cincy Girl, by Behrens. Evangeline Downs, 4-15, 6 1/2f, 1:20.10. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$19,440. B-J. Verland Prather (TN).

Thegirlfromireland, f, 3, **Goldencents**--Tattooed Girl, by More Than Ready. Laurel, 4-16, 1mT, 1:35.32. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$51,420. B-Timothy J. Rooney (MD). \$10,000 RNA Ylg '21 EASOCT.



Rum Runner Ready, f, 3, **Gun Runner**--Stormy Allure, by Stormy Atlantic. Aqueduct, 4-16, (C), 6fT, 1:08.73. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-0, \$48,532. B-Matalona Thoroughbreds, LLC, Taylor Made Stallions Inc, et al (KY). *\$75,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$135,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Stormy Embrace (Circular Quay), MGSW, \$719,543.

Triple Four, f, 3, **Jimmy Creed**--Surprise Squall (SP, \$138,473), by Stephen Got Even. Evangeline Downs, 4-15, (S), 1m, 1:43.99. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. B-Danny M. Brown (LA). *\$14,000 Ylg '21 TTAYHR. **Full to Cajun Creed, MSP, \$165,255. ***1ST-TIME STARTER.

Music Mistress, f, 3, **Laurie's Rocket**--The Gray Goose, by Malabar Gold. Oaklawn, 4-15, (S), 6f, 1:12.61. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$54,562. B-McDowell Farm (AR).

Sweet Shugs, f, 3, **Practical Joke**--Our Irish Lassie's, by Yes It's True. Charles Town, 4-15, 4 1/2f, :53.27. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-2, \$28,119. B-Narola, LLC & Invention Bloodstock (KY). *\$65,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$6,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT.



Powertrain, c, 3, **Race Day**--Hashtagsid, by Scat Daddy. Gulfstream, 4-16, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18.52. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$30,900. B-Ruddles Mill Bloodstock & Mende Racing Stables (KY). *\$13,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$60,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSOPN.

Kinison, g, 4, **Distorted Humor**--Touchy Feely, by Bernardini. Gulfstream, 4-16, (C), 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.01. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, \$34,153. B-Mulholland Springs LLC, Tom Grether Farms Inc. & Distorted Humor Syndicate (KY). *\$50,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$52,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR.



I'm Your Captain, g, 4, **Midshipman**--Lovable Lyss (SW, \$143,370), by Big Brown. Hawthorne, 4-16, (S), 6f, 1:12.43. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$18,720. B-Hugh Robertson (IL).

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Always Dreaming, Saudi Crown, c, 3, o/o New Narration, by Tapit. MSW, 4-16, Keeneland

Carpe Diem, Pats Property, h, 5, o/o Kika, by Birdstone. ALW, 4-16, Oaklawn

Chitu, Hope in Him, g, 4, o/o Satan's Mistress, by Songandaprayer. AOC, 4-16, Gulfstream

City of Light, Gaslight Dancer, c, 3, o/o Raindrops Droptops, by Medaglia d'Oro. Palisades S., 4-16, Keeneland

Cloud Computing, St. Paddy's Charm, g, 3, o/o Bide a Wee Island, by Sligo Bay (Ire). MSW, 4-15, Golden Gate

Coil, One Fast Bro, g, 6, o/o Awesome Broad, by Mr. Broad Blade. ALW, 4-15, Golden Gate

Commissioner, Theteasergotloose, f, 3, o/o Cannonballcupcake, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 4-16, Lone Star

Creative Cause, Ishihara, g, 5, o/o Donerella, by Doneraile Court. AOC, 4-15, Charles Town

Curlin, Ocean Club, f, 3, o/o Theatre Star, by War Front. MSW, 4-16, Gulfstream

Dialed In, Peaceful Waters, r, 4, o/o Shine Softly, by Aldebaran. AOC, 4-16, Keeneland

Distorted Humor, Kinison, g, 4, o/o Touchy Feely, by Bernardini. MOC, 4-16, Gulfstream

Fast Anna, Cincy's Anna, f, 3, o/o Cincy Girl, by Behrens. MSW, 4-15, Evangeline

First Dude, Lady Milagro, f, 4, o/o Tribecky, by Saint Liam. ALW, 4-16, Aqueduct

Frosted, Security Code, f, 3, o/o Stopspendingmaria, by Montbrook. AOC, 4-16, Aqueduct

Goldencents, Thegirlfromireland, f, 3, o/o Tattooed Girl, by More Than Ready. MSW, 4-16, Laurel

Great Notion, Brzina, f, 4, o/o Barouchka, by Not For Love. ALW, 4-16, Laurel

Gun Runner, Gunflash, c, 3, o/o Flashy Campaign, by Political Force. AOC, 4-16, Lone Star

Gun Runner, Rum Runner Ready, f, 3, o/o Stormy Allure, by Stormy Atlantic. MCL, 4-16, Aqueduct

He's Had Enough, Winter's Ghost, g, 4, o/o Brisson, by Ghostzapper. AOC, 4-16, Tampa Bay

Jimmy Creed, Triple Four, f, 3, o/o Surprise Squall, by Stephen Got Even. MSW, 4-15, Evangeline

Jonesboro, Allo Enry, c, 4, o/o Vickis Got Swagger, by Pioneering. ALW, 4-16, Oaklawn

Lakerville, Luvluv, g, 6, o/o Lucera (Ire), by Fasliyev. Wildcat S., 4-15, Turf Paradise

Laurie's Rocket, Music Mistress, f, 3, o/o The Gray Goose, by Malabar Gold. MSW, 4-15, Oaklawn

Liaison, Rad Paisley, g, 5, o/o Hidden Fever, by Stormin Fever. ALW, 4-16, Laurel

Liam's Map, Hot Fudge, f, 4, o/o Noelle's Mischief, by Into Mischief. AOC, 4-16, Aqueduct

Maclean's Music, Jackman's Ride, g, 6, o/o Heart Tee, by Lil E. Tee. ALW, 4-16, Lone Star

Malibu Moon, Girl On the Go, f, 4, o/o First Romance, by Dynaformer. MSW, 4-16, Lone Star

Midshipman, I'm Your Captain, g, 4, o/o Lovable Lyss, by Big Brown. MSW, 4-16, Hawthorne

Mo Town, Key of Life, f, 3, o/o Longride to Wisdom, by Harlan's Holiday. GII Beaumont S., 4-16, Keeneland

Munnings, Relic Hunter, c, 4, o/o Lady o' War, by Leestown. ALW, 4-15, Evangeline

National Defense (GB), National Genereux (Ire), g, 4, o/o Just

Special (GB), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB). MSW, 4-16, Golden Gate
Noble Mission (GB), Gam's Mission, m, 5, o/o Auntie Martha, by War Pass. ALW, 4-16, Keeneland

Practical Joke, Sweet Shugs, f, 3, o/o Our Irish Lassie's, by Yes It's True. MSW, 4-15, Charles Town

Race Day, Powertrain, c, 3, o/o Hashtagsid, by Scat Daddy. MOC, 4-16, Gulfstream

Sky Mesa, Lucylou Who, f, 4, o/o R C's Daisyduke, by Yes It's True. Original Gold S., 4-15, Charles Town

Smiling Tiger, Cardiff Crack, g, 4, o/o Codacious, by Desert Code. MSW, 4-16, Golden Gate

Stanford, Prayer of Jabez, g, 4, o/o Alwazabridesmaid, by Kafwain. AOC, 4-15, Turf Paradise

Twirling Candy, Evvie Jets, m, 5, o/o Natchez Trace, by Consolidator. Plenty of Grace S., 4-16, Aqueduct

Uncle Mo, Sinfiltrer, f, 4, o/o Shared Heart, by Forestry. ALW, 4-16, Keeneland

Upstart, Unbridled Bomber, c, 4, o/o Unbridledexplosion, by Eddington. AOC, 4-16, Aqueduct

Will Take Charge, Teasin' Tesla, f, 4, o/o Miss Atlantic City, by Stormy Atlantic. ALW, 4-15, Evangeline



Ocean Club powered clear to a maiden-breaking score over Gulfstream's Tapeta Sunday. | *Coglianesse*



AMERICAN FLAG DOMINATES THE FONTAINEBLEAU



American Flag | ScoopDyga

by Tom Frary

With Ballydoyle's **Victoria Road (Ire)** (**Saxon Warrior {Jpn}**) and Juddmonte's **Halfway Line (GB)** (**Zoffany {Ire}**) missing from the line-up for Sunday's G3 Prix de Fontainebleau, Malcolm Parrish's **American Flag (Fr)** (**Wootton Bassett {GB}**)--Tres Americanqueen {Fr}, by American Post {GB}) occupied pole position for ParisLongchamp's time-honoured course-and-distance trial for the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and he did not disappoint with another sharp display. Gaining a following with a six-length win over a mile at Saint-Cloud in November and a smooth three-length success in the Listed Prix Omnium II over the same track and trip Mar. 18, the Yann Barberot-trained relative of the G2 Grand Prix de Deauville winner Tres Blue (Ire) (Anabaa Blue {GB}) was held up at the tail of the five-runner field early by Christophe Soumillon.

Unleashed out wide to take command a furlong from home, the 9-10 favourite was soon clear and could again coast to the line for a comfortable 2 1/2-length verdict over **Marhaba Ya Sanafi (Ire)** (Muhaarar {GB}) as **Rajapour (Ire)** (Almanzor {Fr}) surrendered his unbeaten record a short neck away in third. "It could be that I can finally train the top horse I have been dreaming of," Barberot said. "This is why we wake up every morning. He has a lovely temperament and does everything easily and it all starts from there." **Cont. p3**

NO NAY NEVER COLT EARNS TDN RISING STAR BADGE IN IRELAND by Sean Cronin

Coolmore and Westerberg's hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt **Democracy (Ire)** (**No Nay Never**--Ruby Tuesday {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) gave the perfect audition for Royal Ascot and outwitted his four rivals to earn a 'TDN Rising Star' rosette in Sunday's Irish Racehorse Experience At INS Irish EBF Maiden at the Curragh.

The even-money favourite broke on the lead before settling in a close-up third after the initial strides of this six-furlong contest. Inching forward on the bridle to launch his challenge going well at the quarter-mile marker, he was shaken up to seize control soon after and quickened clear in impressive fashion inside the final furlong to easily account for **Jalaybee (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}) by 2 3/4 lengths.

No Nay Never's quintet of earlier Rising Stars includes dual Group 1-winning sire **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)** and last year's G1 Phoenix S. hero Little Big Bear (Ire), the latter posting a debut second in this contest last year. **Cont. p11**

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

MENDELSSOHN, BOLT D'ORO FILLIES EARN OBS BULLETS

Two-year-old fillies by **Mendelssohn** and Bolt d'Oro, respectively, were fastest over one and two furlongs during first under-tack show ahead of next week's OBS April Sale in Central Florida.

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Malcolm Parrish's American Flag (*Wootton Bassett*), with Christophe Soumillon in the irons, winning Sunday's G3 Prix de Fontainebleau at Longchamp. | Scoop Dyga

SWEET COMEBACK FOR BLUE ROSE CEN

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Returning to the same ParisLongchamp course and mile distance over which she dominated the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac, Blue Rose Cen continued where she left off with a success in the G3 Prix de la Grotte on Sunday.

FLIGHT LEADER LANDS PRIX NOAILLES IN PARIS

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Juddmonte's Flight Leader put his hat into the ring for June's G1 Prix du Jockey Club after a game victory on seasonal return in Sunday's G3 Prix Noailles at ParisLongchamp.

HARRINGTON CONDEMNS 'NATIONAL PROTESTS

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BHA chief executive Julie Harrington condemned the actions of protestors who delayed the Grand National and announced an analysis to try and understand what caused the fatalities.

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Prix de Fontainebleau cont.

American Flag will be one of the leading French runners in the upcoming Classics here and at Chantilly and his trainer added, "I have never pushed him hard, this was not a target and I wanted to keep something in the tank for the major races to come. First, it will be the [May 14] Poule d'Essai des Poulains and then the [June 4 Prix du] Jockey Club if he shows us that he can stay. The only answer I don't have yet is which ground he prefers. He has always run on soft or very soft, so good is a question mark."



American Flag | ScoopDyga

Pedigree Notes

American Flag, who was a €102,000 purchase at the 2021 Arqana Deauville August Sale, is out of a daughter of the dual group-placed Tres Ravi (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) whose six black-type performers include the aforementioned Tres Blue who was also runner-up in the G1 Deutsches Derby. She also produced Tres Blue's G2 Prix de Royallieu-placed full-sister Tres Rapide (Ire), who is the second dam of the G2 Prix Eugene Adam and G3 Prix Exbury winner and G1 Prix Ganay runner-up Pretty Tiger (Ire) (Sea The Moon {Ger}) and the G3 Prix Thomas Bryon runner-up Pretty Boy (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}). Tres Americanqueen's 2-year-old colt American Thunder (Fr) is by Night Of Thunder (Ire).

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France

PRIX DE FONTAINEBLEAU-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-16, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:44.64, hy.

1--**AMERICAN FLAG (FR)**, 128, c, 3, by **Wootton Bassett (GB)**

1st Dam: Tres Americanqueen (Fr),
by American Post (GB)

2nd Dam: Tres Ravi (Ger), by Monsun (Ger)

3rd Dam: Tres Magnifique (GB), by Gay Fandango

1ST GROUP WIN. (€102,000 Ylg '21 ARQAug). O-Malcolm Parrish; B-Chevotet de la Hauquerie (FR); T-Yann Barberot;

LATEST GROUP SUCCESS



PAPILIO won the **Appalachian Stakes-Gr.2** at Keeneland on 8th April for Mark Casse.



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J-Christophe Soumillon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, €89,900. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#), or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

2--**Marhaba Ya Sanafi (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, Muhaarar (GB)--Danega (GB), by Galileo (Ire). **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (IRE); T-Andreas Schutz. €16,000.

3--**Rajapour (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, Almanzor (Fr)--Raydara (Ire), by Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. O-H H Aga Khan; B-His Highness The Aga Khan's Studs S C (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. €12,000.

Margins: 2HF, SNK, 2HF. Odds: 0.90, 7.90, 1.90.

Also Ran: Maniac (Ire), Royal Shake (GB). Scratched: Halfway Line (GB), Victoria Road (Ire). **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

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PERFECT COMEBACK FOR BLUE ROSE CEN

by Tom Frary

Returning to the same ParisLongchamp course and mile distance over which she had dominated the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac on Arc day, Yeguada Centurion SL's **Blue Rose Cen (Ire)** ([Churchill \(Ire\)](#)--Queen Blossom {Ire}, by Jeremy) continued where she left off with an all-the-way success in the G3 Prix de la Grotte on Sunday. Sporting a red hood for the preliminaries, the even-money favourite was sent straight to the front by Aurelien Lemaitre and was asked to extend two out. Responding generously without the need for the whip, the bay had 1 1/2 lengths to spare over **Lindy (Fr)** (Le Havre {Ire}) at the line, with the outsider **Palerma (Fr)** (Alex The Winner) 1 3/4 lengths away in third.

"I am delighted with the performance, because she did it with authority from the front," trainer Christopher Head said. "She had a real campaign as a two-year-old and we had to see how she would run first time out. Now she has a race under her belt, she will come on for the run hopefully and head to the French Guineas [the May 14 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches] next." Christophe Ferland said of Lindy, "She has run a blinder, confirming the quality she had shown as a juvenile. She finished strongly, but the winner had first call in front and we will be back for the Poule."



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Pedigree Notes

Blue Rose Cen, who also has another course-and-distance win in her palmares having captured the G3 Prix d'Aumale in September, is out of a 110,000gns 2018 Tatts December purchase by Leopoldo Fernandez Pujals' operation. Her only known foal to date, the winner is a granddaughter of the G3 Silver Flash S.-placed Mark Of An Angel (Ire) (Mark Of Esteem {Ire}) whose career successes included the G3 Park Express S. and GIII Santa Barbara S.

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France

PRIX DE LA GROTTÉ-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-16, 3yo, f, 8ft, 1:45.07, hy.

1--**BLUE ROSE CEN (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by **Churchill (Ire)**

1st Dam: Queen Blossom (Ire) (GSW-Ire & US, \$220,859), by Jeremy

2nd Dam: Mark Of An Angel (Ire), by Mark Of Esteem (Ire)

3rd Dam: Dream Time (GB), by Rainbow Quest

O/B-Yeguada Centurion SLU (IRE); T-Christopher Head; J-Aurelien Lemaitre. €40,000. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Fr, 7-5-1-0, €365,060. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***.

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2--**Lindy (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Le Havre (Ire)--Llanita (GB), by Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (€110,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG). O-Ecurie Waldeck, Meridian International SARL Et Al; B-Ecurie La Vallee Martigny EARL (FR); T-Christophe Ferland. €16,000.

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3--**Palerma (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Alex The Winner--Peace Mine, by **Mineshaft**. **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand & Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois; B-J-P-J Dubois (FR); T-Manon Scandella-Lacaille. €12,000.

Margins: 1HF, 1 3/4, SNK. Odds: Evens, 10.00, 30.00.

Also Ran: Prija (Fr), Autumn Starlight (GB), Algolia (Ire), Preciosite (GB), Paz (GB), Oujda (Fr). **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

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FLIGHT LEADER BATTLES TO NOAILLES

VICTORY IN PARIS by Sean Cronin

Juddmonte's 3-year-old colt **Flight Leader (GB)** (Frankel {GB}--Principal Role, by Empire Maker) was last seen graduating in an Oct. 12 nine-furlong maiden at Chantilly and put his hat into the ring for June's G1 Prix du Jockey Club back there after battling to a game victory on seasonal return in Sunday's G3 Prix Noailles at ParisLongchamp. **Cont. p6**

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The eventual winner, who had earlier posted a Sept. 1 debut ninth behind the 'TDN Rising Star' performance of Padishakh (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) at this venue, broke from the outside stall and found cover off the tempo in fifth after the initial strides. Coaxed along passing the quarter-mile marker, the 19-5 chance came under sterner urging entering the final furlong and was driven out in the latter stages to prevail by a short-neck from **Harry Way (Fr)** (Galiway {GB}) in brave fashion. In a blanket finish, Fabrice Chappet nominee **Fortune (Fr)** (De

Treville {GB}) was a neck adrift in third.

"When this horse first ran, Andre Fabre had mentioned him as a potentially very good one, but unfortunately he missed out on debut," said Juddmonte's on-course representative. "He won well second time out over nine furlongs, proving already that he stays, and he should be better on good ground. He will come on for the run and has made a step forward to the [June 4 G1] Prix du Jockey Club. Andre Fabre will discuss his programme with Barry Mahon and the [Abdullah] family. There are plenty of opportunities and the trainer knows how to handle these situations, so we have no worries."

Pedigree Notes

Flight Leader, who becomes the 79th pattern-race winner for his sire (by Galileo {Ire}), is the sixth of eight foals and one of four scorers produced by MSW G1 Nassau S. third Principal Role (Empire Maker). The March-foaled bay's dam, herself a daughter of GII La Prevoyante H. and GIII River Cities Budweiser Breeders' Cup S. victrix Interim (GB) (Sadler's Wells), is kin to GI Charles Whittingham Memorial-winning sire Midships (Mizzen Mast), GI San Juan Capistrano Invitational runner-up Staging Post (Pleasant Colony) and to the dam of G1 Grosser Preis von Bayern heroine Temida (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}). Flight Leader is a half-brother to the unraced 2-year-old colt Rickshaw (GB) (Cracksman {GB}) and a weanling filly by **Kingman (GB)**.

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Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France

PRIX NOAILLES-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-16, 3yo, 10 1/2ft, 2:18.69, hy.

1--**FLIGHT LEADER (GB)**, 128, c, 3, by **Frankel (GB)**

1st Dam: Principal Role (MSW & G1SP-Eng, MGSP-US, \$238,766), by Empire Maker

2nd Dam: Interim (GB), by Sadler's Wells

3rd Dam: Intermission (GB), by Stage Door Johnny

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Juddmonte; B-Juddmonte Farms Ireland Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre; J-Bauyrzhan Murzabayev. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €53,500. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

2--**Harry Way (Fr)**, 128, g, 3, Galiway (GB)--Miss Vinga (Fr), by High Rock (Ire). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.** O-Le Haras de la Gousserie & Robert Bonaventure; B-Robert Bonaventure (FR); T-Nicolas Perret. €16,000.

3--**Fortune (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, De Treville (GB)--February Sun (GB), by Monsun (Ger). **1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Rashit Shaykhutdinov (FR); T-Fabrice Chappet. €12,000. Margins: SNK, NK, 3/4. Odds: 3.80, 3.00, 2.40.

Also Ran: Londoner (Ire), Rubis Vendome (GB), Prince De Paname (Fr), Mononof (Fr). **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

POINT LONSDALE BACK WITH A WIN IN THE ALLEGED



Point Lonsdale | Racingfotos.com

by Tom Frary

If there were any fitness doubts about **TDN Rising Star Point Lonsdale (Ire)** (Australia {GB})--Sweepstake {Ire}, by Acclamation {GB} ahead of Sunday's G3 Alleged S. at The Curragh, they were answered categorically as Ballydoyle's almost-forgotten talent worked hard to prevail and get back on track on his comeback.

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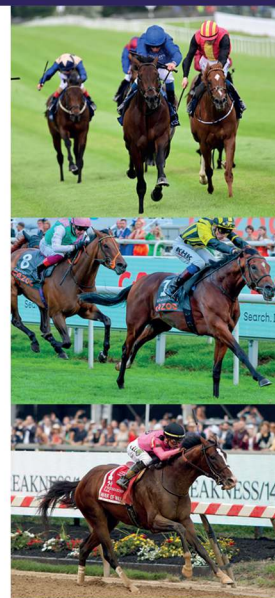
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Set a stiff task by the race-hardened **Visualisation (Ire)** (**No Nay Never**) as that Listed Devoy S. winner took no prisoners on the front end, the 2021 G2 Futurity S.-winning full-brother to stable stalwart Broome (Ire) was kept close by Wayne Lordan and only began to get on top inside the last 150 yards. At the line, the 6-4 favourite who was last seen finishing unplaced in the 2000 Guineas had 1 1/2 lengths to spare over that rival as they finished clear.

"I'm very happy with that on his first run back on that ground. He's going to stay further," Aidan O'Brien said. "We thought as a two-year-old that he would get further than seven furlongs, but he never went any further because we had other horses. Then we ran him in the Guineas and he got injured. There was nowhere to hide today. Joseph's horse went a good gallop and none of the other horses were able to close."

Where Point Lonsdale fits in remains to be seen, with the stable not short on big names among its older horses. "We have Luxembourg in the same sort of bracket," the Ballydoyle conditioner added. "At the moment we are looking at the Ganay for him and, if not, the [G2] Mooresbridge. This horse could go for something like the [G1] Coronation Cup and take in another race before that."

Pedigree Notes

Point Lonsdale's dam Sweepstake, who was successful in the Listed National S. and Bedanken S., runner-up in the GIII Appalachian S. and third in the G3 Princess Margaret S., has already excelled by producing the aforementioned seven-times group-winning Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud hero Broome by Galileo's son Australia. Galileo is also responsible for the family's triple group-winning stayer Ernest Hemingway (Ire), while his son **Frankel (GB)** sired another G2 Futurity S. winner in Rostropovich (Ire), who went on to finish runner-up in the G1 Irish Derby, and the G3 Prix d'Aumale scorer Toulifaut (Ire).

This is also the dynasty of the stable's G1 Phoenix S.-winning sire Zoffany (Ire) and the G1 St Leger runner-up Berkshire Rocco (Fr) (Sir Percy {GB}), as well as the G3 Bengough S. winner Projection (GB) who shares Acclamation as a sire with Sweepstake. Others of note from this Hesmonds Stud family include the G3 Fred Darling S. winner Bulaxie (GB) (Bustino {GB}), responsible for the G2 Premio Lydia Tesio winner Claxon (GB) (Caerleon) whose GIII Hillsborough S.-winning and G1 Nassau S.-placed daughter Cassydora (GB) (Darshaan {GB}) threw the aforementioned Ernest Hemingway. Sweepstake's 2-year-old colt by **Frankel** was unsurprisingly a 2.4million gns sensation when knocked down to M V Magnier and White Birch Farm as the second highest-priced lot at last year's Book 1 Sale.

Sunday, The Curragh, Ireland

SP OR BETTER GUARANTEED WITH TOTE ALLEGED S.-G3, €55,000, Curragh, 4-16, 4yo/up, 10ft, 2:24.79, hy.

1--**POINT LONSDALE (IRE), 131, c, 4, by Australia (GB)**

1st Dam: Sweepstake (Ire) (SW & GSP-Eng, SW & GSP-US, \$114,162), by Acclamation (GB)

2nd Dam: Dust Flicker (GB), by Suave Dancer

3rd Dam: Galaxie Dust, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

(575,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, Westerberg; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Wayne Lordan. €33,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Ire, 7-5-1-0, \$272,429. *Full to Broome (Ire), G1SW-Fr, GSW-UAE, MGSW & G1SP-Ire, GSW-Eng, GISP-US, \$2,756,270. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

ANOTHER LEGEND BRED IN IRELAND

2--**Visualisation (Ire), 131, g, 5, No Nay Never--Roselita (Ire), by Sadler's Wells.** (£245,000 RNA HRA '21 GOFFLN). O-Harold John Millar; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien. €11,000.

3--**Layfayette (Ire), 136, g, 6, French Navy (GB)--Scala Romana (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire).** (€4,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP; €54,000 2yo '19 TATGOR). O-Mrs Patricia Hunt; B-Matthew

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Also Ran: Self Belief (Ire), Fastnet Crown (Ire). Scratched: Piz Badile (Ire).

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GOLDANA ARRIVES IN THE GLADNESS

by Tom Frary

Emphatic in Hanover's Listed Alson-Trophy in October, **Goldana (Ire)** (Galileo Gold {GB}) had already looked a potentially smart purchase at just €130,000 at the Arqana December Sale and that proved to be the case as she marked her debut for the Joseph O'Brien stable with success in Sunday's G3 Lester Piggott Gladness S. at The Curragh. Keen initially for Dylan Browne McMonagle, the 17-2 shot settled in the slipstream of her relative **Mea Domina (Fr)** (Pivotal {GB}) and grew stronger as that leader tired inside the final furlong to gain control and score by 1 3/4 lengths.

"It's the owners' first horse with me and she looks a smart filly going forward," O'Brien commented. "She had good form on slow ground in Germany and it's nice to start off the season with a group win for her. We bought her in Arqana last year and she is a sister to Love Reigns who is a smart filly for Wesley Ward.

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O'Brien, continued, "She has a pedigree and was a listed winner already. She won her listed race over nine furlongs, so she'll probably stay a bit further. It looked as though she got a little bit outpaced when they quickened up, but she came good in the last 100 yards."



Goldana (left) | Racingfotos.com

Pedigree Notes

Goldana, who becomes the third group winner for her sire, is out of the unraced Humble And Proud (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) whose first foal was the GI Sword Dancer S., GII Bowling Green S. and GII Ft. Lauderdale S. scorer Glorious Empire (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**) and who is also the dam of the aforementioned dual stakes winner Love Reigns (Ire) (U S. Navy Flag). She is kin to the Listed Newmarket S. winner and G2 King Edward VII S. runner-up Delsarte (Theatrical {Ire}) and to the listed-placed Regina Mundi (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) who is in turn the dam of the G3 Prix d'Aumale scorer Rocques (Fr) (Lawman {Fr}) and of this race's runner-up Mea Domina by Humble And Proud's sire Pivotal who had captured last year's Listed Prix Isola Bella. Also connected to the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp hero Avonbridge (GB) (Averti {Ire}), the dam's 2-year-old filly by Kodiak (GB) was a €160,000 purchase by R McNamara at the Goffs Orby Sale, while she also has a yearling colt by Mehmas (Ire). **Cont. p10**

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Sunday, The Curragh, Ireland

LESTER PIGGOTT GLADNESS S.-G3, €55,000, Curragh, 4-16, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:34.17, hy.

1--GOLDANA (IRE), 132, f, 4, by Galileo Gold (GB)

1st Dam: Humble And Proud (Ire), by Pivotal (GB)

2nd Dam: Delauncy (GB), by Machiavellian

3rd Dam: Casey (GB), by Caerleon

1ST GROUP WIN. (£40,000 Ylg '20 GOFOR; €120,000 HRA '22 ARQDEC). O-Sights On Gold Partnership; B-Patrick Grogan (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien; J-Dylan Browne McMonagle. €33,000. Lifetime Record: MSW-Ger, 10-4-2-2, \$70,595. *1/2 to Love Reigns (Ire) (**U S Navy Flag**), MSW-US, \$242,065; 1/2 to Glorious Empire (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), GISW-US, \$977,227. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

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ANOTHER LEGEND BRED IN IRELAND

2--Mea Domina (Fr), 132, f, 4, Pivotal (GB)--Regina Mundi (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). 1ST GROUP TYPE. (€200,000 Wlg '19 ARQDE; €850,000 HRA '22 ARQDEC). O-Merry Fox Stud Limited & Newsells Park Stud Ltd; B-San Paolo Agri Stud SRL & Cheveley Park Stud Limited (FR); T-Paddy Twomey. €11,000.

3--Cosmic Vega (Ire), 135, g, 5, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Pivotal Era (GB), by Pivotal (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP TYPE. (20,000gns RNA Ylg '19 TADEYG). O-Long Inch Limited; B-Mrs Noreen Clibborn (IRE); T-Mick Halford & Tracey Collins. €5,500.

Margins: 1 3/4, NK, HF. Odds: 8.50, 2.00, 12.00.

Also Ran: Carrytheone (GB), Nightcliff (Ire), Power Under Me (Ire), Hannibal Barca (Ire).

ITALIAN 2000 GUINEAS HERO SEE HECTOR EDGES DUSSELDORF FEATURE *by Sean Cronin*

Cometika AG's 4-year-old colt **See Hector (Ger)** (Counterattack {Aus}--Scouting {Ire}, by New Approach {Ire}), a Henk Grewe trainee, finished off the board in three pattern-race starts since annexing last term's G3 Premio Parioli (Italian 2000 Guineas) and doubled his win tally with a game triumph coming back for his seasonal return in Sunday's G3 Kalkmann Fruhjahrens-Meile at Dusseldorf.

The 74-5 chance brushed aside an early nudge when breaking swiftly from the inside gate and accepted a tow along the fence in fourth through halfway. Turning for home in third, he was shaken up to go second approaching the two pole and kept on strongly under continued rousing in the closing stages to edge



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Gestut Park Wiedingen homebred **Western Soldier (Ger)** (Soldier Hollow {GB}) by a nose following a thrilling nip-and-tuck tussle.

“He was very much under the weather after winning in Italy last year, but had been working well coming into this race and is now back to being the horse we know him to be,” Grewe told *GaloppOnline*. Cometic’s racing manager Holger Faust added, “For me, that has to be one of the strongest mile races in recent years in Germany. There were three comeback starts for See Hector after the [Italian] Guineas, but it’s only now that he’s fully back. We’ll now target Rome’s [G2] Premio Presidente della Repubblica in five weeks.”

Pedigree Notes

See Hector is the leading performer from sire Counterattack (Aus)’s initial crop and his Parioli win was a pattern-race first for dam Scouting (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), whose page has been updated by full-brother and MGSP G2 Gran Criterium third Sea Paris (Ger). The January-foaled chestnut is also a full-brother to the unraced 2-year-old filly Sound Attack (Ger). His second dam Scatina (Ire) (Samum {Ger}) bagged the G2 Schwarzgold-Rennen and is a half-sister to G3 Lillie Langtry Fillies’ S. scorer Sevensa (Fr) (Galileo {Ire}), herself the dam of four black-type winners headed by G3 Prix de Royaumont winner Savanne (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) and G3 Sandown Classic Trial victor Sevensa Star (Ire) (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}). Scatina’s dual Classic-winning second dam Slenderella (Ger) (Alpenkonig {Ger}) is out of a half-sister to G2 Preis der Diana heroine Sabera (Ger) (Fast Fox {Fr}), with this being the dam line of legendary racemare and producer Schwarzgold (Ger) (Alchemist {Ger}).

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Sunday, Dusseldorf, Germany

KALKMANN FRUHAHRS-MEILE-G3, €55,000, Dusseldorf, 4-16, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:38.43, sf.

1--**SEE HECTOR (GER)**, 128, c, 4, by Counterattack (Aus)

1st Dam: Scouting (Ire), by New Approach (Ire)

2nd Dam: Scatina (Ire), by Samum (Ger)

3rd Dam: Silvassa (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)

(€44,500 Ylg ‘20 BBAGS). O-Cometica AG; B-Gestut Karlshof (GER); T-Henk Grewe; J-Lukas Delozier. €32,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, 8-2-0-1, €133,600. *Full to See Paris (Ger), MGSP-Ger & GSP-Ity. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#), or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

2--**Western Soldier (Ger)**, 123, g, 5, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Wamika (Ger), by Shirocco (Ger). **1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Gestut Park Wiedingen (GER); T-Peter Schiergen. €12,000.

3--**Calif (Ger)**, 126, g, 4, Areion (Ger)--Cherry Danon (Ire), by Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire). (€95,000 RNA Ylg ‘20 BBAGS). O-Stall Hanse; B-Gestut Brummerhof (GER); T-Peter Schiergen. €6,000.

Margins: NO, 2, HD. Odds: 14.80, 13.40, 6.70.

Also Ran: Parol (Ger), Best Lightning (Fr), Zerostress (Ger), Aemilianus (Ger), Dapango (Ger), True Tedesco (Ger), Sweetheart (Fr), Arnis Master (Ger), Mythico (Fr), Zavaro (Ger). Scratched: Fire Of The Sun (Fr).

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“You’d have to be very happy with that on very deep ground,” said Aidan O’Brien. “He travelled very well and, when Wayne [Lordan] dropped him down to go, he was a little bit lost on the ground, but he would never have seen that [heavy] ground before. It was a good education for him, he has plenty of speed and I’d say he’s a classy horse. He’s big and he’s strong and very laid back.” Looking ahead to immediate targets, the trainer added, “There is the Listed [First Flier S.] back here in a few weeks and we could look at that.” [Cont. p12](#)

NEW GROUP WINNER

Frankel

Flight Leader

Won Prix Noailles **Gr.3**, 10½f, ParisLongchamp

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Democracy | Racingfotos

Democracy, the latest of four foals, is the second scorer produced by a granddaughter of Lanwades Stud matriarch Alruccaba (Ire) (Crystal Palace {Fr}) and the March-foaled bay is a full-brother to last term's G3 Oh So Sharp S. victrix Midnight Mile (Ire). His dam Ruby Tuesday (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) is kin to six black-type performers headed by G1 Moyglare Stud S. victrix Quarter Moon (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Yesterday (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Oaks and G1 Irish Oaks third All My Loving (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Quarter Moon produced G1 Pretty Polly S. victrix Diamondsandrubies (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and G1 Fillies' Mile S. third You'll Be Mine (Kingmambo), with the latter being the dam of MGSW G1 Irish Champion S. and G1 Ranvet S. placegetter Eminent (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) and stakes-winning G1 Tancred S. third King Frankel (Ire) (Frankel {GB}).

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NEW
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1st-Curragh, €17,000, Mdn, 4-16, 2yo, 6fT, 1:23.68, hy.

DEMOCRACY (IRE), c, 2, by No Nay Never

1st Dam: Ruby Tuesday (Ire), by Galileo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Jude (GB), by Darshaan (GB)

3rd Dam: Alruccaba (Ire), by Crystal Palace (Fr)

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,216. *Full to Midnight Mile (Ire), GSW-Eng. Click for the [free Equineline.com](https://www.equineline.com) catalogue-style pedigree.

O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Westerberg;
B-Premier Bloodstock (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien.

BHA CHIEF JULIE HARRINGTON CONDEMNS GRAND NATIONAL PROTESTS

British Horseracing Authority [BHA] chief executive Julie Harrington has condemned the actions of protestors who delayed the Grand National and also announced a "painstaking" analysis will take place in a bid to try and understand what caused three fatalities over the three days of the meeting.

The Sandy Thomson-trained Hill Sixteen suffered a fatal fall at the first fence in the race that was delayed by around 15 minutes after animal activists stormed the track. Two more horses were killed at the meeting.

In a statement released on Sunday, Harrington said, "Our thoughts are with everyone connected to the horses who suffered fatal injuries this week. No one will be more affected by this news than the trainers, owners and stable staff who have provided these horses with first-class care and attention throughout their lives..

"The BHA and Aintree racecourse will now analyse the races in painstaking detail, as is the case every year, to build on our existing data and help us understand what caused these incidents."

She added, "British racing works tirelessly to improve the sport's safety record and reduce avoidable risk. Every incident is reviewed by the BHA alongside the racecourse and other bodies. As a sport we have for years shown great determination and commitment to improve welfare standards by taking measured scientific, evidence-based, regulatory and education-based steps.

"It is for this reason that the fatal injury rate in the sport has reduced by over 1/3 in the last 20 years, to 0.2% of runners." Merseyside Police said 118 people were arrested during the protests. The response of racegoers at Aintree was also hailed after they played a role in deterring those who protested the race but Thomson blamed the 15-minute delay for driving the ill-fated Hill Sixteen "hyper" before the showpiece event.

Davy Russell, whose Grand National mount Galvin exited the race at the first and later collided with a ladder that had been left on the side of the racetrack by protestors, said that the delay caused by the animal rights activists had a detrimental effect on the horses.

Speaking on Luck On Sunday, Russell said, "I'm not sure that the people who protested yesterday realised the damage they were doing. The experience they were laying upon the horse was unnecessary, and the experience they were laying on the trainers and the jockeys."

Commenting on the protests, Harrington said, "We respect the right of anyone to hold views about our sport but we robustly condemn the reckless and potentially harmful actions of a handful of people in disrupting the race at a time when horses were in the parade ring. **Cont. p13**

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Julie Harrington | BHA

"Those involved in British racing are rightly proud of our sport and the role it plays in providing an unparalleled quality of life for horses bred for racing. Love and respect for horses is at the heart of everything we do.

"The Grand National is and always will be an iconic sporting event and the actions of a small number of people will do nothing to diminish its huge and enduring international appeal."

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EUROPEAN NEWS

DONNCHA MCCARTHY TO JOIN THE CASTLEBRIDGE CONSIGNMENT

Donncha McCarthy, a graduate of both The Irish National Stud and the Godolphin Flying Start program and a familiar face at bloodstock sales in Europe and Australasia, is joining The Castlebridge Consignment as its Irish sales executive. McCarthy is just returning from the sales in Australia, where he worked for Bennett Racing.

"I worked a number of the sales for Castlebridge last year and whilst Bill Dwan knew I was keen to return to Australia for their yearling sales, it was agreed that I would come back to Castlebridge in Ireland this year to carry out a very similar role to Patrick Diamond, the Castlebridge sales executive based in Newmarket," McCarthy said.

"I have also worked for Stuart Boman of Blandford Bloodstock in the past and he's asked me to help him again at the breeze-up sales so I will be working those sales with Stuart over the next couple of months between working for Castlebridge. I've already started to make farm visits with Bill in Ireland and recently

travelled to Newmarket to see Andrew Mead and the rest of the team who are based there. It's a very exciting role and I'm looking forward to the future with Castlebridge".

Castlebridge director Andrew Mead commented, "We are pleased to have Donncha back on board, he was of considerable help last year and it's great to have two well-known young industry figures such as Patrick Diamond and Donncha representing the company".

Fellow Director Bill Dwan added: "We expect Donncha to visit a lot of farms and stables in Ireland in the coming months and he will also be meeting plenty of people at the races. We recognise that this industry is all about personal contacts coupled with delivering a professional service to clients, so we believe in investing in young guys such as Donncha and Patrick."

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Donncha McCarthy

IRELAND

Sunday's Results:

2nd-Curragh, €17,000, Mdn, 4-16, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:09.20, hy.

PORTA FORTUNA (IRE) (f, 2, Caravaggio--Too Precious {Ire}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) was restrained to race within range at the tail of the field after an alert getaway in this debut. Easing into contention once past halfway, the 9-2 chance was shaken up for a stands' side rail run passing the furlong pole and went through the gears inside the final 150 yards to outpoint dead-heaters Ellie Moore (Ire) (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**) and Neo Smart (Ire) (Belardo {Ire}) by a neck. "She was our first 2-year-old, runner so it was good to see her do that," said trainer Donnacha O'Brien.

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"I thought she was a nice filly, but it's hard to judge when you haven't run one. Gavin [Ryan] said he followed the one that there was a bit of money for, he got the gap at the right time and she quickened up well. We might have a look at a Group race for fillies at Naas next month. She has plenty of scope, so is not just a five-furlong filly." Porta Fortuna is the first of three foals produced by four-time winner Too Precious (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), herself a full-sister to Group 2-winning G1 Australian Cup runner-up Numerian (Ire) and G3 Prix Francois Boutin third Montesilvano (Ire). The January-foaled bay, who hails from the family of G1 St Leger-winning sire Milan (GB) (Sadler's Wells), is half to a yearling filly by **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)** and a weanling filly by **Sottsass (Fr)**. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,216.

O-Mrs A M O'Brien; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Donnacha O'Brien.

3rd-Curragh, €15,000, Mdn, 4-16, 3yo, 10fT, 2:24.94, hy.
BRIGHT LEGEND (IRE) (c, 3, Zoustar {Aus}--Alexiade {Ire}, by Montjeu {Ire}), a half-brother to the G3 Desmond S. winner Alexios Komnenos (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}), had been down the field on debut over seven furlongs here last month and raced keenly early behind the front pair. Veering left when sent in pursuit of the leader Young Ireland (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) in the final two furlongs, the 8-1 shot was straightened by the whip to overhaul that rival close home and prevail by 3/4 of a length. The dam, whose yearling filly is by Invincible Army (Ire), is a daughter of the G1 Acorn S. heroine Aptostar (Fappiano) who is responsible for the excellent producer In Anticipation (Ire) from a mating with Montjeu's sire Sadler's Wells. In Anticipation's progeny include the G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Irresistible Jewel (Ire) (Daneshill) and the listed scorer Diamond Trim (Ire) (Highest Honor {Fr}), linking the winner to the G1 Irish St Leger hero Royal Diamond (Ire) (King's Best) and the G1 Goodwood hero Salvatoxl (Aus) (Kuroshio {Aus}). Sales history: €140,000 Ylg '21 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,896.
 O-Boniface Ho Ka Kui; B-P Motherway (IRE); T-Fozzy Stack.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Run Ran Run (Ire), c, 3, No Nay Never--Scream Blue Murder (Ire) (GSW-Ire, SW-Eng, \$139,482), by Oratorio (Ire). Curragh, 4-16, 6fT, 1:23.10. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$15,547.
 B-Coolmore & Clayton Park Stud Ltd (IRE). *1/2 to Too Soon To Panic (Ire) (**Gleneagles {Ire}**), SW & GSP-Ire.

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FRANCE

Sunday's Results:

PRIX LORD SEYMOUR-Listed, €52,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-16, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:38.41, hy.

1--VIRTUAL ROCK (IRE), 126, g, 4, Fascinating Rock (Ire)--Himiko (Ire), by Aussie Rules. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.

O/B-Takaya Kimura (IRE); T-Satoshi Kobayashi; J-Ioritz Mendizabal. €26,000. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 9-3-1-1, €85,350.

2--Melo Melo (GB), 122, f, 4, Gleneagles (Ire)--You Look So Good (GB), by Excellent Art (GB). (110,000gns Wlg '19 TATFOA). O-Ecurie Ama.Zingteam; B-The Pocock Family (GB); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €10,400.

3--Fenelon (Fr), 126, g, 5, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Aigue Marine (GB), by Galileo (Ire). (€80,000 RNA Ylg '19 ARQAUG). O-Noir et Or Elevage SA, Ecurie Skymarc Farm & Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Noir et Or Elevage SA & Ecurie Skymarc Farm (FR); T-Nicolas Clement. €7,800.

Margins: HF, 1HF, SNK. Odds: 11.20, 4.00, 6.00.

Also Ran: Or Gris (Fr), Galashiels (Ire), Northern Ruler (Ger), Sea The Sky (Ger). **Video, sponsored by TVG.**



Virtual Rock | ScoopDyga

Virtual Rock, who hit the board in Chantilly's June 19 G3 Prix du Lys and this venue's Sept. 1 Prix de Lutece, went postward for this fifth black-type outing coming back off a sixth in Saint-Cloud's Mar. 18 G3 Prix Exbury and stepped forward in style to claim a belated first stakes triumph. The eventual winner broke on the lead and remained there throughout. Bustled along passing the quarter-mile marker, he refused to yield and was resolute under continued urging to hold on for a career high.

"We opted for the [G3 Prix] Exbury to start him off because of the suitable going, but 10 furlongs is not his game," explained trainer Satoshi Kobayashi. "He is not an easy horse and you have

to be after him all the time, especially to get him to switch leads, but he kept finding. The key to him is more the ground condition than the trip, as he is rain dependent, and he can come back in the [May 7 G3] Prix d'Hedouville over 12 furlongs or the [May 29 G2 Prix] Vicomtesse Vigier over 15 furlongs."

Virtual Rock is the fifth of seven foals and first stakes scorer out of an unraced sibling of MGSP Listed Ruby S. and Listed Silver S. victrix Deauville Vision (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), whose descendants include stakes-winning distaffer Talentuosa (Ity) (Samysilver). Virtual Rock's third dam Marienthal (GB) (Top Ville {Ire}) is also the ancestress of stakes-winning G3 Prix Eclipse second Salut L'Africain (Fr) (Ski Chief), Listed Derby de l'Ouest winner Vangaug (Fr) (Gentlewave {Ire}) and G2 Prix du Conseil de Paris runner-up Dupontal (Ire) (Blackdoun {Fr}). Marienthal, who is a full-sister to G1 Prix Royal-Oak victor Top Sunrise (Fr), hails from the family of G1 Prix Morny heroine Sakura Reiko (Fr) (Kenmare {Fr}). The winner's dam Himiko (Ire) (Aussie Rules) has a yearling filly by River Boyne (Ire) to come.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cover Point (Fr), f, 3, **Jack Hobbs (GB)**--Flute Bowl (GB), by Black Sam Bellamy (Ire). Durtal, 4-15, 14 1/2fT, 3:15.50. B-Christopher Stedman (FR).

Pacini (GB), c, 3, **Poet's Word (Ire)**--Frequently (GB), by Dansili (GB). Durtal, 4-15, 14 1/2fT, 3:24.65. B-William Slattery (GB).

GERMANY

Sunday's Results:

1st-Mulheim, €10,000, Mdn, 4-16, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:42.32, sf.

MIMA (GER) (f, 3, Soldier Hollow {GB})--Meransa, by Fusaichi Pegasus, who posted a Nov. 27 debut seventh going 10 furlongs at Mulheim in her only prior start, held sway under a firm hold after a slick getaway here. In command throughout, the 81-5 chance was shaken up at the top of the straight and stayed on relentlessly under a late drive to hold Tamarinde (Ger) (Amaron {GB}) by 1 1/4 lengths. Mima is the sixth of seven foals and third scorer by Soldier Hollow (GB) out of a daughter of stakes-winning GI Las Virgenes S. third Blue Moonlight (Mining), herself the third dam of the stakes-winning duo Greek Geek (Misremembered) and Cuban Cobra (Flat Out). Blue Moonlight is a half-sister to GII Orchid H. victrix Blush (Sir Gaylord) and GIII Brighton Beach H. winner Blue Baron (Sir Ivor) while the February-foaled bay is full to a 2-year-old colt. Sales history: €10,000 Ylg '21 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €6,000. O-Christian Schroder; B-Sergej Penner (GER); T-Andreas Wohler.

5th-Mulheim, €10,000, Cond, 4-16, 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:14.87, sf. **KASSADA (GER) (f, 3, Sea The Moon {Ger})--Kasalla {Ger} {G1SP-Ger}, by Soldier Hollow {GB})**, who graduated tackling 10 furlongs at Munich last November, raced in second passing the judge first time and remained there for most of this sophomore bow. Quickening for control at the quarter-mile marker, the 16-5 second favourite was not for catching thereafter and lengthened clear before gearing down nearing the line to easily account for Weracruz (Ger) (Cracksman {GB}) by an impressive four lengths. Kassada, half to a 2-year-old colt by Protectionist (Ger), is one of two scorers for G1 Preis von Europa third Kasalla (Ger) (Soldier Hollow {GB}), herself a full-sister to G1 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3 runner-up Kassiano (Ger). The March-foaled homebred bay's dam is also kin to GSW G1 Deutsches Derby placegetter Kaspar (Ger) (Pivotal {GB}) and MGSP G3 Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen runner-up Kastano (Ger) (Nathaniel {Ire}). Kassada, half to a weanling colt by **Zarak (Fr)**, is from the family of G1 Derby Italiano-winning sire Kallisto (Ger) (Sternkonig {Ire}). Sales history: €140,000 RNA Ylg '21 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-2, €11,350. O/B-Gestut Rottgen (GER); T-Markus Klug.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

WINDSOR'S RETURN SEES DEBUT FOR SON OF SKY LANTERN

3.10 Windsor, Novice, £8,000, 3yo, 10fT

APOLO (GB) (Kingman {GB}) is an eye-catching newcomer on the first of the regular Windsor Monday fixtures in 2023, with KHK Racing Ltd having paid 625,000gns at the 2021 Tattersalls Book 1 Sale for this fifth foal out of the four-times Group 1-winning 1000 Guineas heroine Sky Lantern (Ire) (Red Clubs {Ire}). Already responsible for the high-class G1 Falmouth S. winner Snow Lantern (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**), her John and Thady Gosden-trained colt is fitted with a tongue tie and cheekpieces. The stable also sends out Normandie Stud's homebred **Loving Feeling (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire})**, a son of the G3 Prix de Flore winner Loving Things (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), while Sir Michael Stoute introduces Juddmonte's **Liable (GB) (Frankel {GB})**, a full-brother to the G2 Prix de Sandringham scorer and G1 Prix Rothschild third Obligate (GB).

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HOW THEY FARED

1.25 Curragh, Mdn, €17,000, 2yo, 6fT

River Tiber (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), the 480,000gns Book 1 relative of the 2013 G1 Phoenix S. winner Sudirman (Henrythenavigator), was withdrawn by Aidan O'Brien who instead unleashed the new **TDN Rising Star** Democracy (Ire) (**No Nay Never**).

FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

UNITED KINGDOM:

Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud

161 foals of racing age

14:35-WINDSOR, 5f, Valour And Swagger (Ire)

45,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; £80,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

Eqtidaar (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Nunnery Stud

54 foals of racing age

13:15-REDCAR, 5f, Mistress Teite (GB)

15,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; 5,500gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Too Darn Hot (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

120 foals of racing age

14:35-WINDSOR, 5f, Perelle (GB)

€22,000 RNA Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; £20,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

WORLDWIDE NEWS

SOL ORIENS A RISING STAR FOR KITASAN BLACK IN SATSUKI SHO *by Alan Carasso*

Just days after his first-crop son Equinox (Jpn) was named the world's highest-rated racehorse for his stunning victory in last month's G1 Longines Dubai Sheema Classic, successful young stallion Kitanasan Black (Jpn) was represented by his first Japanese Classic winner when **Sol Oriens (Jpn)** came from a near-impossible position 400 metres from home to take Sunday's G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) by a widening 1 1/4 lengths. **Tastiera (Jpn)** (Satono Crown {Jpn}) led into the final furlong, but was swamped late on, while favoured **Phantom Thief (Jpn)** (Harbinger {GB}) won a photo for third.



Sol Oriens | Japan Racing Association

Void of speed from the inside gate, the 21-5 second-elect drifted right back through the field and was guided a few paths off the rail to race fourth-last and three wide into the first bend as **Granite (Jpn)** (Danon Ballade {Jpn}) set what appeared to be solid fractions in the wet ground. Patiently handled down the back and up the rise approaching the 800-metre peg, Sol Oriens was shuffled back and raced last but one and a good 12 lengths off the lead on the second turn.

Moving nearly laterally when awkwardly switching his legs nearing the straight, Sol Oriens was steered out 10 or 11 wide and whooshed home down the soundest part of the racing surface to win in highly impressive fashion, while again swapping his leads in the final stages. His final three furlongs were covered in :35.5, remarkable given the underfoot conditions, and 0.9 seconds faster than any of his rivals. Tastiera also rallied well off the inside, while Phantom Thief was mostly one-paced in third.

Sol Oriens becomes the first horse in 80 years to win the Guineas with as few as two previous starts.

"He's still very green, especially at the turns, with only a short career coming into this race, but as he's already shown in his previous start, I know first hand the power and speed which this colt possesses," said winning jockey Takeshi Yokoyama, who piloted Efforia (Jpn) (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) to win this race in 2021. "So, while we had a lot of ground to cover from way behind, I knew that if I could keep him in good rhythm up to the straight, he would be able to show his full potential to win this race."

The Classic series continues with the G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) (2400 metres) at the headquarters of Japanese racing May 28.

Pedigree Notes:

While there were no members of the final crop of Deep Impact (Jpn) in the Satsuki Sho, there is something of a connection to the legendary sire, as Kitanas Black is a son of Deep Impact's year-younger full-brother Black Tide (Jpn).

A popular and accomplished galloper in his own right, Kitanas Black won 12 of his 20 career appearances, including the 2015 G1 Kikuka Sho (Japanese St Leger), back-to-back renewals of the G1 Tenno Sho (Spring), a G1 Japan Cup and a career-closing victory in the G1 Arima Kinen. Now the sire of two elite-level scorers, the 11-year-old Shadai resident is also responsible for Group 2 winner Gaia Force (Jpn) from his first crop and for the Group 3-winning 3-year-old filly Ravel (Jpn).

Sol Oriens's dam was the upset winner of the 2011 G3 Prix Fille de l'Air for Carlos Laffon-Parias and was purchased by bloodstock agent Patrick Barbe for €320,000 in foal to Leroidesanimaux (Brz) from the Haras du Quesnay draft at the 2014 Arqana December Sale. Her second foal became the newly retired Vin de Garde (Jpn), a Group 2 winner at home and second and third, respectively, in the G1 Dubai Turf in 2021 and 2022. Skia's half-brother Tropaios (GB) (Excellent Art {GB}) was a listed winner in France for Laffon-Parias and went on to become a standout for the China Horse Club and trainer Michael

Freedman in Singapore, where he was victorious in the Singapore Gold Cup. Motivator is also the broodmare sire of treble Japanese Group 1 winner and champion older horse Titleholder (Jpn) (Duramente {Jpn}).

Skia is the dam of a 2-year-old colt by Deep Impact's son Kizuna (Jpn) and is due to Epiphaneia (Jpn) for her 2023 produce.

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

SATSUKI SHO (JAPANESE 2000 GUINEAS)-G1, ¥ 416,260,000, Nakayama, 4-16, 3yo, c/f, 2000mT, 2:00.60, yl.

1---**SOL ORIENS (JPN)**, 126, c, 3, by Kitanas Black (Jpn)

1st Dam: Skia (Fr) (GSW-Fr, \$163,904), by Motivator (GB)

2nd Dam: Light Quest, by Quest For Fame (GB)

3rd Dam: Gleam of Light (Ire), by Danehill

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-Shadai Race Horse; B- Shadai Farm; T-Takahisa Tezuka; J-Takeshi Yokoyama; ¥225,382,000.

Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, ¥272,697,000. *1/2 to Vin de Garde (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), GSW-Jpn, MG1SP-UAE, \$2,792,422.

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

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Sol Oriens (white cap) storms home to win Sunday's Satsuki Sho | Horsephotos

Satsuki Sho cont.

2--**Tastiera (Jpn)**, 126, c, 3, Satono Crown (Jpn)--Partitura (Jpn), by Manhattan Cafe (Jpn). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK-TYPE**. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; ¥87,252,000.

3--**Phantom Thief (Jpn)**, 126, c, 3, Harbinger (GB)--Lupin, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK-TYPE**. O-Turf Sport Inc; B-Tanikawa Farm; ¥53,626,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 3/4, HD. Odds: 4.20, 8.00, 2.80.

Also Ran: Metal Speed (Jpn), Shonan Bashitto (Jpn), Shazzan (Jpn), Top Knife (Jpn), Win Odin (Jpn), Hrimfaxi (Jpn), Bellagio Opera (Jpn), Gruner Green (Jpn), Granite (Jpn), Touch Wood (Jpn), Meiner Laulea (Jpn), One Direct (Jpn), Ras Hammel (Jpn), Ho O Biscuits (Jpn), Danon Touchdown (Jpn).

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Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

ANTARES S.-G3, ¥72,760,000, Hanshin, 4-16, 4yo/up, 1800m, 1:49.50, hy.

1--**PROMISED WARRIOR(JPN)**, 130, h, 6, by Majestic Warrior

1st Dam: Promised Spark (Jpn), by Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)

2nd Dam: Plain (Jpn), by Jade Robbery

3rd Dam: Dyna Land (Jpn), by Northern Taste

O-Silk Racing; B-Bando Farm; T-Kenji Nonaka; J-Katsuma Sameshima; ¥38,532,000. Lifetime Record: 8-6-1-0,


¥141,332,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A**. Click for the **eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree**. Click for the **free EquineLine.com pedigree**.

2--**Vanyar (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Turtle Bowl (Ire)--Bright Elf (Jpn), by Brian's Time. **1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE**. O-Hidaka Breeders Union; B-Makimoto Farm; ¥15,152,000.

3--**King's Sword (Jpn)**, 126, c, 4, Sinister Minister--Kings Berry (Jpn), by King Halo (Jpn). **1ST BLACK-TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE**. O-Hidaka Breeders Union; B-Nisshin Farm; ¥ 9,576,000.

Margins: HF, 2, 1. Odds: 0.90, 7.10, 5.60.

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PRIX SIGY-G3, €80,000, 3yo, 5 1/2fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	2	Wodao (Fr)	Showcasing (GB)	D O'Brien	G Ryan	126
2	4	Denver Chop (Fr)	Vale Of York (Ire)	O de Montzey	Forest	126
3	8	Disillusion (Ire)	Profitable (Ire)	Soto Loring	Sousa Ferreira	126
4	3	Vicious Harry (Fr)	Harry Angel (Ire)	Delcher Sanchez	Guyon	126
5	1	Whistle And Flute (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	H de Nicolay	Soumillon	126
6	5	Marshman (GB)	Harry Angel (Ire)	Burke	C Lee	126
7	6	Ciao Pa' (Fr)	Shamalgan (Fr)	Schoenherr	Bazire	126
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