

SIKURA: NO SIMPLE SOLUTIONS FOR A FRACTURED SPORT



John Sikura | Sarah Andrew

by Chris McGrath

At a time that so plainly demands leadership, where better to come than the desk of John Sikura? A man of notably independent outlook, the owner of Hill 'n' Dale can be relied upon for a perspective that combines candor and detachment with flair and imagination.

And those are all assets that appear to be in short supply right now. For while our community's emotional response to the traumas at Saratoga this summer was one of shared horror and grief, the polarization of opinion since has been emotive.

Much as we have seen in the political sphere, since the advent of social media, the sport's recent experiences appear to have stimulated increasing resentment and intransigence. On the one hand, some propose radical but relatively simple solutions; others, however, believe our problems are too varied to be tackled other than by diligent increments.

Sikura pleads for less panic, fewer polemics, and more circumspection, above all more coherence.

"The difficulty in every emotional event--be it gun control, abortion, be you liberal, labor, conservative--is that emotion and rational thinking tend to be polar opposites," he says. "When you see a shocking event, you react with emotion. But there's never a simplistic answer to a complex problem." **Cont. p3**

FEDERAL BILL TO REPEAL AND REPLACE HISA IN PIPELINE by T.D. Thornton

A bill that would repeal the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) and replace it with a voluntary interstate compact to govern the nation's Thoroughbred, Standardbred, and Quarter Horse racing is about to be introduced in Congress.

The Republican Louisiana Congressman Clay Higgins on Tuesday announced his intention to file the Racehorse Health and Safety Act (RHSA).

The bill would establish a governing body known as the Racehorse Health and Safety Organization (RHSAO), which would oversee breed-specific Scientific Medication Control Committees tasked with drafting and recommending drug rules for each breed.

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€750K SEA THE STARS HALF-SISTER TO GLOBETROTTER GROUP 1 WINNER STATE OF REST LEADS THE WAY AT GOFFS ORBY

Joseph O'Brien purchased a €750,000 **Sea The Stars (Ire)** half-sister to four-time Group 1 winner **State Of Rest (Ire)** (**Starspangledbanner (Aus)**) during the first session of the Goffs Orby Yearling Sale on Tuesday. Brian Sheerin has the details.

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Jacob West, agent for Repole Bloodstock, bought a **Kingman** filly from Glenvale Stud for €400,000 at Goffs Tuesday. There were a host of American buyers on Day 1. | Sarah Farnsworth

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Which Old Friend and two-time Breeders' Cup winner did Sarah Andrew catch up with today?

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Sikura places the challenge in unflinching perspective. "The unfortunate incidence of catastrophic death in racehorses has remained relatively consistent for more than 20 years," he notes. "And over the last four or five, we've had a steady decline. Difficult as it is to say in a public forum, unfortunately a horse race is a concussive, high-velocity event where everything can happen. A mis-step. A bump turning you sideways at the wrong time. Jumping on heels. The dangers of entering, exiting the gate."

Little wonder, he suggests, if forensic studies after breakdown clusters have tended--as at Churchill earlier this year--to find no single cause. In fairness, moreover, two dirt breakdowns during the Saratoga meet scarcely qualified as a "cluster." For both to involve horses in the process of winning a Grade I, in front of the grandstand, was a coincidence that horribly exposed the sport. But Sikura feels that its freakish nature needs to be recognized before any single, sweeping solution is proposed or embraced.

"Not to sound callous, but I believe that if the Saratoga casualties [six others on turf] were 50% higher but it was Belterra Park, it would not be front page of the *TDN*," he reasons. "You're wracked with emotion because of the connections, Grade I races, Saratoga, everybody's there."

"Ultimately you can never control what day this event

happens, what race, what place on the racetrack, who's watching. But from the perspective of an insurance company, they would say, 'We don't know where or when, but some years we must expect clusters of these events.' The reason they will insure barrenness in mares, mortality in horses, all the possible events, is that there's a baseline. Same with insuring properties, hurricane, fire, etc. We may [at a given time] have a higher number of casualties due to cardiac arrest. And then everything gets to a norm, until or unless you can find a drug or a scientific breakthrough that changes everything."

Sikura recognizes that none of this should discourage us from striving relentlessly to make the sport as safe as possible. The aspiration, naturally, should be zero fatalities. But he reminds us that we can never hope actually to hit zero, because with animals constructed this way there will always be an attrition rate--even per number of foals playing in a paddock. In the meantime, nobody should suggest to Sikura that either the problem or the solution can be simple.

"There are lots of factors that we can look into. Certainly, a study on the ideal racetrack. The ideal amount of cushion. Possibly a new kind of surface that is part artificial, part dirt. It could be that we come up with something that hasn't even been tried before, that is profoundly safer. And the highest level of scrutiny. Pre-scanning." **Cont.**

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"A traveling team could go racetrack to racetrack, make sure that we're doing everything we can to have the surface ideal. I think that definitely we can, should and must do better."

But even then, he predicts, from time to time something will go wrong. And it won't necessarily be anybody's fault. We will want to point to this or that reason, but many events--most, even--Sikura feels to be random. And, granted that our sport will always contain an element of danger, he finds another oversimplification in the familiar argument that only the humans participate voluntarily.

"You can say jockeys can verbalize their will," he allows. "But really racehorses do the same, because they're innately bred to have that trait. They want to run, they want to compete, they want to perform much like a hound will chase a fox. We have breeds specifically bred for defining qualities, and I think it's extremist to say that if something goes wrong, it's cruel."

He offers an example. You buy a German Shepherd puppy. But you read the science, and discover the breed to be susceptible to hip dysplasia.

"So you have the joy of the animal, the love of the animal, they're a family member, they can be a protector, many things," Sikura says. "But when they turn 12, and they have hip dysplasia and can't get up, and everybody's crying, and you're taking your dog to the vet, is the breeder somehow immoral or inhumane for breeding that dog?"

Sikura sees that inborn sense of vocation in all Thoroughbreds, from the moment they wobble onto their feet. But here, presumably, his professional peers would find easy consensus. The differences arise from how we best deploy these instincts. And here is where the sport's governance exasperates Sikura.

"Who's in charge, who's funding, and how do you put it together?" he asks. "Our 'organizations' all have the opinion that certain things are under their purview and they should be in



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charge. If you have a conundrum that seems to have no solution, it's folly to get the same group of people to study the issue. It takes an independence where, real or perceived, you can't have prejudice. Where they won't say, 'Well, this will cost too much,' or 'What about the shareholders?' Just unbiased, well-paid professionals."

But even if such people produced recommendations, who would decide on their adoption?

"We're a Rubik's Cube with one square taken out," Sikura says. "So it can't be solved under our fragmented, disorganized, parochial, backyard mentality. If an outsider came in and took over the business, many of these organizations would be eliminated as either inefficient or redundant. The others would be governed in such a way that each had a specific task: public relations, humane treatment of racehorses, media source, sponsorship."

Sikura has two axioms on power. "One, nobody voluntarily gives it up," he says. "Two, you're never doing a bad job when you're in charge."

The outsider just mentioned would look at the metrics and conclude that the sport, under the current dispensation, is diminishing. But who, Sikura asks, will sacrifice the narrow interests of their own sector to create the kind of rising tide that might eventually float all boats?" **Cont.**

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"As things stand, he complains, people will confine themselves to asking, 'Did I improve handle at my meet?' or 'What is the yearling average of my stallion?'"

"You can't have direction without directions," Sikura says. "Say someone has a bold idea. Say I did a paper and spent six months on it, and I can't wait to talk about it, I'm so excited. The biggest challenge would be who do I bring this to, and can they do anything about it? The answer would be, 'I don't know' and, 'No, they can't.' It's eternally frustrating. So there's innovative guys, billionaires, some of the brightest entrepreneurs in America--and therefore the world--that have contributed no intellect, no ideas, no participation because they felt frustrated."

Any major change has duly had to overcome fierce factional opposition: the Breeders' Cup, now HISA. Even the Breeders' Cup, perceived as a triumph, is not what Sikura feels it might be: its purses stagnant, international engagement extremely uneven. And then there's the showpiece itself, the Kentucky Derby.



The famed Twin Spires at Churchill Downs | Coady

"The single event that drives the commerce of the industry," he declares. "The point of entry to virtually everybody that owns a horse: 'I want to win the Kentucky Derby.' If you're fortunate enough to do so, there should be a financial reward that recognizes that--not just pride in achievement."

"A purse of \$3 million, with \$1 million in fees and nominations, is an embarrassment to the sport. A huge windfall is given to a corporate entity, which they're entitled to. Corporately, they've been brilliant stewards of their brand and stock value. But they have to recognize that they're in a sport that has many participants--and that those should be rewarded."

"In the NFL, players are paid to measure with their ability. There's revenue-sharing. Things are done recognizing that the league has to prosper and succeed. The best teams can have

high ticket prices, etc., but everybody needs to be a part of it. Yet participants in our industry, the people that provide the product, put on the show, are effectively minimum wage workers. The money is here from the historical racing. Instantly, the Derby can be \$5 million; the Oaks \$2.5 million. Instantly. Should be \$10 million and \$5 million. And it doesn't even have to come out of their pocket. It's a redistribution of KTDF funds, the money's there."

He invokes the example of Ron Winchell at Kentucky Downs.

"Look at what they give away!" he exclaims. "They give millions of dollars to other tracks. They can't count the money. People don't think that purses are a huge part of this, everyone talks about the pageantry and the mornings and how great it all is. I don't diminish any of that. But when nobody would race at Turfway Park or Ellis Park, and now you can't get in, is it a mystery why?"

Those tracks, of course, are under the same ownership as Churchill Downs.

"Again, I'm not critiquing the way they run their business as a 'business'," Sikura stresses. "But they've made a lot of money off the horseracing industry. Hollywood Park, shut down and sold. Arlington, shut down and sold. Calder. So I think they have a responsibility and their bottom line, it's nothing. Nothing. It's like leaving a nickel tip. Not even. A penny falls out of your pocket, you're in a hurry, you just leave it there."

And if it's human nature never to surrender more than necessary, Sikura feels that the case for doing so will never even be made by so fractured a sport.

"I think an open-minded evaluation by the other side would have to agree with you," he says. **Cont.**



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Sikura, cont.

"But we have this perfect conundrum of no rules, no uniformity--the fragmentation that is always great for an opponent. In fact, the game never takes place, because one side is too disorganized even to schedule a date."

Characteristically, Sikura's freethinking, freewheeling mind has taken us far from our opening challenge. But that's precisely because the moral interdependence of the sport's many dimensions is not matched in its structure.

"We only consider these things when there's a crisis," he says.

"But for me, the big crisis is a shrinking of the industry. And there are so many positives: healthy markets that now offer great purses, attendance, excitement. We have to find an equitable way to support places that aren't going as well. Like California. They're one racetrack closure away from being out of business. Socially, horseracing would either be neutrally or negatively interpreted by the majority of people there. You have Golden Gate being sold. You have small fields. You have land that's worth a tremendous amount of money. So what can we do, as an industry?"

The Kentucky scene is thriving, but that took work, campaigns, legislation. "It's a great example of how you can make things happen, with determination and especially unity," Sikura adds. "But again, if all you're concerned about is what's happening to you, today, California doesn't even enter your mind. It should."

As it is, California is in a vicious circle: fields drop, handle drops, purses drop, shippers drop, fields drop further. So Sikura asks whether we could we trim, say, \$3 million from Kentucky purses--so that maidens were \$105,000 rather than \$120,000--and put that into Californian graded stakes? Would that prompt a Californian investor to buy a yearling? Who knows? But what we do know is that only he is asking.

In time, he predicts, all Grade I races will be slots-funded. But he feels that the sport would be drastically eroded without sturdy coast-to-coast bookends in New York and California. By now, admittedly, past mistakes in California can't be repaired. "I don't know where everybody was when these bills were being passed, but here we are," Sikura says with a shrug. "Without some Indian participation, racing's going to have to survive being racing. And a lot of people would say, 'Well, that's the way it should be.'"

So could Horse Racing LLC, non-profit, buy Californian tracks?

"It's a free country," Sikura replies. "Whether you could do that on terms at which you could operate racing and fund the debt, I wouldn't know. I think Golden Gate is a pretty strong message on the economics: that the return on investment needs to be better. Without saying it in words, that action tells me that Santa Anita is the next consideration. Somebody offers \$1.2 billion? I believe that deal would get done. Is there a way to develop the property, keep racing? Smarter people than me would have to evaluate that. But you can't just have a patient on life support. You need a quality of life. So you need racing to thrive."

And, by a bitter irony that brings things full circle, it is actually California that has shown the rest of the industry the way in

terms of breakdowns. Not so long ago, those now announcing doomsday were doing just the same at Santa Anita. But backstretch resistance to new protocols was overcome and Santa Anita and Del Mar, without waving some magic wand, have achieved exemplary outcomes at astonishing speed. Arguably the rest of the industry has not adequately acknowledged a debt of gratitude for this, and will only do so if more people start to think along



Kentucky Downs | Coady

the same lines as Sikura.

"We don't want our money transported," he says. "But then if you thought about it long and hard, that money, was it really ours? No, it's people pulling a handle."

"Everybody is just here to reap as much as they can. If you operate a nursing home, you could make the sheets thinner: there's higher profit. But you look at the racetrack environment. You have animals, you have people living on the backside, you have van drivers, you have a lot of good people that are part of it. I think they all have to be recognized. It's not just about the head guy: how much he can eat, and what he has left over, he throws in the garbage. It might sound like I'm half-crazy. But I think that mentality flows down to everything, in every business."

Well, if this is what it sounds like to be half-crazy, then that can't be because the rest of us are sane. If anything, in fact, "half-crazy" might well represent major progress on where we are right now.

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Stormy Liberal (2012 bay gelding, Stormy Atlantic--Vassar, by Royal Academy)

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Current location: Old Friends, Georgetown, Ky.

Stormy Liberal is one of a select number of Breeders' Cup winners to repeat the feat. Always dead game, the former claimer's final half-dozen career victories had connections and fans regularly holding their collective breaths as his biggest margin was just a neck. The tough and classy veteran raced on three continents, earned an Eclipse as champion turf male in 2018, and retired to Old Friends after his 2019 season.

"When owner David Bernsen retired Stormy to us, I was thrilled," said Michael Blowen, president of Old Friends. "The two-time Breeders' Cup winner arrived with a fan following and his owner's love. And earned the respect of everyone at Old Friends who adore him and his best friend, Patch." --Jill Williams

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Federal Bill to Repeal/Replace HISA, cont. from p1

There would also be racetrack safety oversight based on existing standards as set forth by both the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) and the model rules of the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI).

A draft of the pending bill stated that each individual state that wants to join the compact must enact a state law specifically opting in within two years of the bill's passage into federal law.

Each state would decide whether its own racing commission or RHSO got to enforce the new federal rules, which would supersede existing state statutes.

States wouldn't have to opt into RHSO. But the cost of not doing so would jeopardize their racetracks' ability to simulcast out of state.

The draft bill stated that a "host State that is not a member State of the interstate compact is prohibited from allowing interstate transmission of any electronic signal" for betting purposes, including advance-deposit wagering.

Despite the effort to kill HISA, the RHSA bill would retain some similarities to the existing structure that governs America's Thoroughbred industry.

There would still be "covered" horses, races, and licensed personnel. There would still be assessments for each state to pay its share of the costs of federal regulation, although the costs would always be breed-specific, the draft bill stated.

There would also still be a board appointed to oversee the whole thing. But in RHSO's case, five of the directors would be appointed by the state racing commission of each of the five member states that had the greatest number of racing days during the preceding three-year period, with the other four to be appointed by the commissions of the remaining member states.

The National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (NHBPA) and the North American Association of Racetrack Veterinarians are among entities that have endorsed the pending legislation.

The NHBPA is simultaneously spearheading a 2 1/2-year-old lawsuit that is trying to derail HISA based on anti-constitutionality allegations. A lower federal court has already ruled that HISA is constitutional, and the Sept. 26

announcement of the new legislation comes eight days before the NHBPA will **argue for an overturning of HISA** before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Doug Daniels, DVM, the president of the NHBPA, praised the pending legislation in a press release that read, in part, "The RHSA is a law that works from the ground up and brings all horseracing industry entities to the table in a collaborative, consensus-driven approach. It's a sensible piece of legislation that will cost horsemen much less than HISA because it will utilize resources already existing in the states. And it will be constitutional and democratic, allowing everyone in the industry to have a voice in the rulemaking process."

Congressman Higgins said in a press release that the legislation "brings Constitutional liberties and rights to the forefront, protecting the horse racing industry and the beautiful animals that we love."

Higgins's biography on his official Congressional web page states that he "is widely regarded as one of the most conservative members of Congress." He grew up on a Louisiana horse ranch.

A former police officer in the same city as Evangeline Downs racetrack, Higgins resigned amid excessive force allegations before embarking on a political career.

Since being elected to Congress in 2016, he has been known as an advocate for small government, and the fourth-term representative's stated chief objectives are border security and the enforcement of immigration laws.

But Higgins has also gained notoriety over the years for his controversial--and at times threatening and mocking--social media postings, some of which have run afoul of Facebook's "Violence and Incitement" policies. **Cont.**



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Higgins's press release announcing the RHSA bill was accompanied by a headline that referenced his "Fight" against "Federal Overreach" and "Oppressive Mandates."

Higgins said in his RHSA release that "Government should be a partner to Americans, not a predator." Yet Higgins didn't elaborate on any allegedly predatorial aspects related to HISA.

Higgins did choose in his statement to politicize recent horse fatalities by blaming HISA for not being able to pinpoint why they happened.

"After [HISA's] full implementation, Churchill Downs Racetrack, home of the [GI] Kentucky Derby, was forced to shut down after twelve horses died in six weeks," Higgins said. "Despite spending millions, the HISA Authority has failed to identify the cause of the problem."

A months-long investigative report that the HISA Authority released Sept. 12 attributed the Churchill deaths from this past spring to no common cause. At the same time, the Authority created a multi-pronged "strategic response plan" that it believes will contribute meaningfully to the reduction of future equine fatalities.

In the wake of the RHSA bill's unveiling, Lisa Lazarus, the HISA Authority's chief executive officer, countered with her own statement in defense of her organization's enabling law that read, in part, "HISA is the law of the land and has made significant progress since its implementation began in July 2022. By bringing together stakeholders across racing, HISA has, for the first time, established national, uniform Racetrack Safety rules and a clear, tough and fair Anti-Doping and Medication Control program...."

"The racing industry definitively proved over decades that voluntary compacts and state-by-state patchwork regulation do not work," Lazarus continued. "At a time when I have called for an 'all-hands-on-deck' approach, it is disappointing to see there are still some who would rather throw up roadblocks than come together for the benefit of racing."

A key plank in the RHSA legislation is that its overseeing entity must justify its decisions with "scientific evidence."

The draft bill stated that, "In developing proposed scientific medication control rules with respect to a breed of covered horses, to the extent possible, a scientific medication control committee shall use scientific methods [and] take into account the unique characteristics and needs of such breed and its racing performance model, including the varying number and nature of races each year for the breed."

In addition to having to pass a state law just to opt in to the RHSA, the draft of the bill explained that another condition of being a member will be for each state to enact a law cracking down on "deceptive" horse sales that involve horses that have



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been administered certain substances.

The draft bill stated each state shall "have in effect a statute that treats as an unfair or deceptive act or practice the sale of a covered horse [if] the seller knows or has reason to know the horse has been administered a bisphosphonate prior to the horse's fourth birthday or any other substance or method the RHSA determines has a long-term degrading effect on the soundness of the covered horse and fails to disclose to the buyer the administration of the bisphosphonate or other such substance or method."

In more general terms, covered horses may only participate in covered races "if the horse is free from the active pharmacological effect of medications, other foreign substances, and methods that enhance the natural performance of the covered horse," the draft bill stated.

Covered horses that are "injured or determined by a veterinarian to be unsound may not train or participate in a covered horserace; and the use of medications, other foreign substances, and treatment methods that mask pain in order to allow an injured or unsound covered horse to train or race in a covered horserace shall be prohibited," the draft bill stated.

Regarding sanctioning, the RHSA may impose upon certain rulebreakers "lifetime bans from horseracing, disgorgement of purses, monetary fines and penalties, and changes to the order of finish in covered races," the draft bill stated.

With respect to scientific medication control rule violators who want to appeal penalties, there will be "an opportunity to reduce the applicable administrative sanctions that is comparable to the opportunity provided by the Protocol for Olympic Movement Testing of the United States Medication Agency."

Funding of the RHSA was addressed in the draft bill, but only in very general terms. **Cont.**

Federal Bill to Repeal/Replace HISA, cont.

"The RHSO, acting through the Board, shall assess an initial fee from each State racing commission of a member State in an amount determined by the Board to be sufficient to cover the startup costs of the racing commission for the first full year that begins after the effective date..." the draft bill stated.

States will get billed--similar to how they are now assessed by HISA--and it will then be up to each state racing commission to determine how it will come up with the money to pay its share.

The draft bill stated this money can come "from a variety of sources, including foal registration fees, sales contributions, starter fees, track fees, and other fees on covered persons."

The draft bill even included a provision of what is to happen if the RHSO runs in the red.

"The RHSO may incur debt to carry out the duties of the RHSO but may not accept loans from any covered person or equine industry representative," the draft bill stated.

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'VERY POSITIVE' FASIG-TIPTON CALIFORNIA SALE TOPPED BY \$250K VRONSKY COLT

by Dan Ross & Jill Williams



Hip 211, the topper by Vronsky | Fasig-Tipton

A \$250,000 colt by late California sire Vronsky led Tuesday's one-session Fasig-Tipton California Fall Yearlings and Horses of Racing Age Sale, topping a dozen lots to sell for six figures. While the \$5,751,500 gross for 185 head and \$15,000 median (-11.76%) declined somewhat from the 2022 edition, average was up slightly from \$30,522 in 2022 to \$31,089 (+1.86%) this year. The buy-back rate, 25.7% in 2022, rose to 34%.

"Buy-backs may be up a little bit," said Fasig-Tipton's California representative Mike Machowsky. "But the guys that breed these Cal-breds are happy to race them. The Cal-bred program is a

very strong program and, as you see, we get great horses out here. It's solid. We're very happy and things are going the right way."

Now in its fifth edition, the sale was headed by a new buyer to the California market in West Point Thoroughbreds. The organization, a major yearling purchaser in Kentucky and New York, was making their first purchase at the California sale.

"We're very pleased we had some new people buying before that we haven't had in the past," said Machowsky.

"Overall the yearling market was very positive," continued Machowsky. "It was strong all the way through. People are always looking for quality, what kind of fits their program, whatever they need. We had some very nice horses.

"It's resilient, this business. We'll be looking forward to next year and hopefully the Breeders' Cup [at Santa Anita] will add a little confidence. It turned out to be a really good sale in the yearling market. We're moving upward and next year hopefully we can capitalize on it again. We're here to make it work."

The horses of racing age portion of the sale was led by **Hip 357**, an 2-year-old daughter of **Outwork** named **Work It** who broke her maiden on debut Sept. 15 at Los Alamitos. G. Chris Coleman picked up the Havens Bloodstock Agency-consigned filly for \$85,000.

Sadler Picks Up Vronsky Colt for West Point

West Point Thoroughbreds, which sprung for all or part of 14 yearlings at the recently concluded Keeneland September Yearling Sale, including the \$3-million Into Mischief topper, added a California-bred Vronsky colt to the stable Tuesday. Out of Season to perfection (Poteen), the Jan. 23-foaled colt topped the Fasig-Tipton sale at \$250,000. **Cont.**



John Sadler, second from right, and the West Point team
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Fasig-Tipton California, cont.

Consigned by Harris Farms, Inc. and bred by Old English Rancho and Ken Tevelde, the colt is a half to Sept. 16 E.B. Johnston S. winner Kings River Knight (Acclamation). Trainer John Sadler, representing West Point, said the breeders “stayed in for a leg.”

Sadler trains Kings River Knight.

“We have the half-brother,” said Sadler, “who won three or four stakes this year. This horse looks a lot like the brother so we thought he'd be good for the Cal-bred program.”

In addition to **Hip 211**, West Point also bought a **Violence** filly out of Tryst (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) for \$32,000. Consigned by McCarthy Bloodstock, agent, **Hip 270** is out of a half-sister to GISW A Z Warrior (Bernardini) and additional GSWs/GISPs JoJoWarrior (Pioneerof the Nile) and E Z Warrior (Exploit).

Knapp Springs for Full-Brother to Finneus

California trainer Steve Knapp, whose Bus Buzz (Stay Thirsty) won Del Mar's Real Good Deal S. Aug. 4 after being purchased out of this same sale for \$97,000 in 2021, made the \$225,000 winning bid for **Hip 165**--also by Stay Thirsty--on behalf of owner Todd Sheehan. The Apr. 22 colt, already named Rumble King, is by the current second-leading California sire by 2023 progeny earnings.

A son of stakes-winning My Fiona (**Ghostzapper**), the colt was bred in California by Terry C. Lovingier and consigned by his Lovacres Ranch, where Stay Thirsty also stands. The colt is a full-brother to Golden State Juvenile S. winner and GI **Runhappy** Del Mar Futurity runner-up Finneus, as well as a half to Melair S. winner Fi Fi Pharoah (**American Pharoah**).

Knapp was bullish on getting the colt. “He's beautiful and the whole family has won nothing but money. The mama's won almost \$500,000 and the two babies have both won stakes races, so it's a good family.”

“Stay Thirsty has had a lot of nice babies. Of all the ones they've given me, all of them can run. He's great for California. We like to keep them in California and run for the big money at Del Mar.”

Waller's Get Back into Family with **Improbable Filly**

Eric and Sharon Waller bred and raced GII Sorrento S. winner and MGISP Spectator (Jimmy Creed), but had sold her dam, Diva's Tribute (Henny Hughes) when that filly was just a weanling. They got back into the family for \$200,000 with **Hip 81**, an **Improbable** half-sister to Spectator.

“Not only did we breed Spectator, but we bred [her first two dams], which is where it all started,” said Eric Waller. “[Spectator's] mother was injured in a paddock accident so she never raced, then I bred her to Into Mischief and that foal had a



Hip 81 | Fasig-Tipton

paddock accident so she couldn't race. We ended up selling the mare at Keeneland before Spectator won a graded stakes, so I wanted to get that family back. This filly is the spitting image of Spectator, so I couldn't let her go.”

Waller lives in California and has “raced Cal-breds my whole life.” He indicated the Mar. 29 filly would go to Phil D'Amato, who also trained Spectator. Richard Barton Enterprises bred the Diva's Tribute filly in Kentucky and his California-based operation, Barton Thoroughbreds, agent, consigned.

Flatter Colt to Gasparrelli

A colt from the penultimate crop of Flatter, who died last year at 23, hammered for \$200,000 to Steve Gasparrelli's Slugo Racing. Consigned by Lovacres Ranch LLC as **Hip 197**, the Apr. 26 colt is out of the winning Arch mare Rapid Repair.

“I like the Flatters,” said Gasparrelli. “They did pretty well at Del Mar, maybe a little more on the turf side but they ran good on dirt, too. Bottom line is the Flatters did pretty good at Del Mar and I like him with an Arch mare.”

Gasparrelli indicated the colt would be sent to trainer Mike Puype, who has all of the approximately 30-strong Slugo stable.

“We probably won't run him early. Puype's pretty conservative so we'll see. We'll let the horse tell us.”

Bred in California by Terry C. Lovingier, the \$200,000 colt is out of a half-sister to MGSW & GISP Kitten's Point (Kitten's Joy) from the extended family of GISWs Marquetry (Conquistador Cielo) and You (You and I), as well as MGSW & GISP Five Star Day (Carson City).

“I just liked the horse's conformation,” said Gasparrelli. “He is a nice size, not too big, not too small. And he's a Cal-bred. I'm going more for the Cal-bred angle.”

SALES TOPPERS

FASIG-TIPTON CALIFORNIA FALL YEARLING SALE TUESDAY'S TOP YEARLINGS

HIP	SEX	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
211	colt	Vronsky--Seasontoperfection <i>Breeder: Old English Rancho & Ken Tevelde (CA)</i> <i>Consignor: Harris Farms, Inc., agent</i> <i>Buyer: West Point Thoroughbreds Inc.</i>	250,000
165	colt	Stay Thirsty--My Fiona <i>Breeder: Terry C. Lovingier (CA)</i> <i>Consignor: Lovacres Ranch LLC, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Steve Knapp, agent for Todd Sheehan</i>	225,000
81	filly	Improbable--Diva's Tribute <i>Breeder: Richard Barton Enterprises (KY)</i> <i>Consignor: Barton Thoroughbreds, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Eric & Sharon Waller</i>	200,000
197	colt	Flutter--Rapid Repair <i>Breeder: Terry C. Lovingier (CA)</i> <i>Consignor: Lovacres Ranch LLC, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Slugo Racing</i>	200,000
200	filly	Mendelssohn--Ringmistress <i>Breeder: Richard Barton Enterprises (CA)</i> <i>Consignor: Barton Thoroughbreds, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Sara Landon</i>	160,000

PENN NATIONAL REPLACING 51-YEAR-OLD TRACK RAIL *by T.D. Thornton*



Penn National | B & D Photography

Penn National is getting a new track rail that will replace the one that's been in place since 1972.

"That's the original track rail that's been in there since the track opened," Chris McErlean, the vice president of racing for PENN Entertainment, said during Tuesday's Pennsylvania Horse Racing Commission meeting. "We are going to a new PVC breakaway type rail that is in use at a couple racetracks right now, and it should be better from a safety standpoint and a maintenance standpoint."

Penn National started a scheduled break after the Sept. 22 program. Live Racing resumes Oct. 25.

"That should take us a little less than two weeks to get installed," McErlean said. "We're working around training. We've adjusted training hours slightly to accommodate that. But it should be up and fully installed by the middle of October."



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FASIG-TIPTON CALIFORNIA FALL YEARLINGS AND HORSES OF RACING AGE

SESSION TOTALS	2023	2022
• Catalogued	343	334
• No. Offered	281	276
• No. Sold	185	205
• RNAs	96	71
• % RNAs	34%	25.7%
• High Price	\$250,000	\$250,000
• No. \$100K+	12	14
• Gross	\$5,751,500	\$6,257,100
• Average (% change)	\$31,089 (+1.86%)	\$30,522
• Median (% change)	\$15,000 (-11.76%)	\$17,000

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OFFICIAL ARTWORK FOR 40TH BREEDERS' CUP RELEASED



Quang Ho's Breeders' Cup Saturday artwork | Quang Ho/Breeders' Cup

Breeders' Cup Limited on Tuesday unveiled the official artwork of the 2023 Breeders' Cup World Championships, set to be held Nov. 3-4 at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, CA.

The two pieces of art, created by world-renowned artist Quang Ho, will be on the cover of both the Friday and Saturday official track programs and on tickets.

"I went out for some racing last spring and got to walk about the racetrack, with the facility's beautiful turquoise color and the mountain range behind it," Ho said. "I spent a couple of days there walking around and seeing the horses up close, which is how the paddock inspiration came about. Where the racing scene was concerned, I could have taken it from so many different angles, but that iconic look of the mountain range

behind the racetrack was looming in every race I watched."

A native of Hue, Vietnam, Ho immigrated to the United States in 1975 at age 12. He has been featured in many solo art exhibits around the world and in addition to teaching art, he has won a number of prestigious art awards.

"We are honored to feature Quang Ho as this year's official Breeders' Cup artist," Justin McDonald, Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer for Breeders' Cup Limited, said. "Quang's vivid images of one of the world's most renowned racetracks will give our fans treasured mementos of two days of world-class racing as we celebrate our 40th running."

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Friday, Belmont The Big A #10, post time: 5:42 p.m. EDT

NOBLE DAMSEL S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fluffy Socks	Slumber (GB)	Head of Plains Partners LLC	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	126
2	Gina Romantica 🦿	Into Mischief	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Prat	122
3	Miss Carol Ann (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Staghawk Stables	Motion	Velazquez	122
4	Gerrymander 🦿	Into Mischief	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz	122
5	Not So Close	Empire Maker	Marylou Whitney Stables	Casse	Lezcano	122
6	Malavath (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd.	Clement	Rosario	122
7	Sunset Louise	Tonalist	Vincent Stanzione	Levine	Carmouche	122
8	Venti Valentine	Firing Line	NY Final Furlong Racing Stable & Parkland Tbreeds	Abreu	Franco	122
9	Movie Moxy 🦿	Street Sense	Linda Rice and Marequest	Rice	Ortiz	122

Breeders: 1-Head Of Plains Partners, 2-Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & CraigBrogden, 3-Mr Bill Crager, 4-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC & Pollock Farms, 5-Marylou Whitney Stables, 6-Tally-Ho Stud, 7-Schiano Racing, Inc., 8-Final Furlong Racing Stable & Maspeth Stable, 9-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC

Friday, Santa Anita #8, post time: 7:30 p.m. EDT

CHILLINGWORTH S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Clearly Unhinged	Into Mischief	Rock Brother Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	118
2	Home Cooking	Honor Code	Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson, & Paul Weitman	Baffert	Maldonado	118
3	Kirstenbosch	Midnight Lute	Keith Abrahams	Sadler	Berrios	126
4	Elm Drive	Mohaymen	Little Red Feather Racing	D'Amato	Gonzalez	126
5	Eda 🦿	Munnings	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Hernandez	126
6	Violent Runner 🦿	Violence	Les Blake	Knapp	Gutierrez	122
7	Lady T 🦿	Into Mischief	C R K Stable LLC	Shirreffs	Smith	126

Breeders: 1-Rock Brothers Breeding LLC, 2-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 3-Keith Abrahams, 4-Kenneth D'Oyen, 5-Nathan McCauley, 6-Lee McMillin & Anita Cauley Breeding, 7-Springhouse Farm & Circular Rd Breeders

Saturday, Churchill Downs #10, post time: 5:26 p.m. EDT

LUKAS CLASSIC S.-GII, \$500,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Happy American 🦿	Runhappy	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Pessin	Graham	123
2	Clapton	Brethren	RRR Racing	Summers	Torres	123
3	Warrant	Constitution	Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC	Cox	Geroux	121
4	Rattle N Roll 🦿	Connect	Lucky Seven Stable	McPeck	Hernandez, Jr.	123
5	Trademark 🦿	Upstart	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Garcia	121
6	Blue Devil 🦿	Uncle Mo	Rocket Ship Racing, LLC	Hiles	Santana, Jr.	121
7	Whelen Springs	Street Sense	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Schultz	Ferrer	123
8	Five Star General 🦿	Distorted Humor	Eltaes Stable	Forster	Lanerie	121
9	Americanrevolution	Constitution	CHC Inc. and WinStar Farm LLC	Pletcher	Gaffalione	121




Breeders: 1-Claiborne Farm, 2-Arindel, 3-Twin Creeks Farm, 4-St. Simon Place, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-Mt. Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC, 7-Shortleaf Stable, 8-WinStar Farm, LLC, 9-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding



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Saturday, Churchill Downs #9, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT

ACK ACK S.-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Seize the Night 	Carpe Diem	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Cunningham	Court	121
2	O Besos	Orb	Bernard Racing LLC, Tagg Team Racing, West Point Thoroughbreds and Stephens, Terry L.	Foley	Gaffalione	121
3	Three Technique 	Mr Speaker	Miller, David E., Grindley, Eric and Werner, John	Cook	Bejarano	121
4	Stage Raider 	Pioneerof the Nile	John D. Gunther	DeVaux	Hernandez, Jr.	121
5	Zozos	Munnings	Butzow, Barry and Joni	Cox	Geroux	121
6	Skyro	Verrazano	Raroma Stable, LLC	Lynch	Graham	121
7	Caddo River	Hard Spun	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Lukas	Cannon	121

Breeders: 1-Cove Springs Farm LLC, 2-L. Barrett Bernard, 3-Omega Farm LLC & Bally Breeders, 4-John D. Gunther, 5-Barry Butzow & Joni Butzow, 6-Rajendra Maharajh, 7-Shortleaf Stable



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FITZ DIXON, JR. MEMORIAL JUVENILE S., \$79,200, Presque Isle Downs, 9-26, 2yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15.45, ft.

1--**SHE'S FIRE**, 116, f, 2, by **Flameaway**

1st Dam: My Wish List, by Flatter

2nd Dam: Informative Style, by Dayjur

3rd Dam: North Colony, by Pleasant Colony

(\$17,000 Ylg '22 FTKFEB). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Divine Light Healing Ministries; B-Bill Adair, Phyllis Adair & Connie Brown (KY); T-Kevin Rice; J-Gaddiel A. Martinez. \$48,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$117,870.

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2--**Gotts Got It**, 121, g, 2, **Kantharos**--Sokie, by Indian Charlie.

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-The Elkstone Group, LLC (Stuart Grant); B-The Elkstone Group LLC (MD); T-Ron G. Potts. \$16,000.

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3--**Sweet Soddy J**, 123, g, 2, **Bee Jersey**--Sweet Rhapsody, by Bring the Heat. O-Built Wright Stables, LLC.; B-Built Wright Stables LLC (KY); T-Raymond E. Ginter, Jr. \$8,000.

Margins: 3 1/4, 1, 3/4. Odds: 5.20, 2.60, 14.50.

Also Ran: Going Up, Uncle Kenny, Banneker. Scratched: Catire Vizcaya.

Stepping out of her division for the first time and reverting to a synthetic surface, She's Fire went to the front early and never looked back, rolling home an easy winner in the Fitz Dixon, Jr. Memorial Juvenile S. at Presque Isle Downs Tuesday. Jetting to the front from Post 6, the sole filly in the field cut out an opening quarter in :22 as the boys tried in vain to keep pace. With her rivals attempting to close the gap approaching the quarter pole, the 5-1 chance cut the corner in front, found another gear in the lane and spurted clear to collect her first black-type victory over Gotts Got It. Runner up going 4 1/2 panels in her career debut at this venue in June, she came back to graduate while trying the turf at Belmont July 7. Fourth in a duo of stakes--Monmouth's Colleen S. July 29 and the Aug. 20 Bolton Landing S. at the Spa--she crossed the wire 11th but was promoted to 10th in the Sept. 16 one-mile GI Natalma S. at Woodbine. With the victory, the filly becomes the second black-type winner for her freshman sire (by Scat Daddy).

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27 2023 Stud Fees Listed

Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$25,000

150 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Finger Lakes, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Ida de Nile, 15-1
\$42,000 RNA FTN MIX wnl; \$10,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$17,000 OBS
MAR 2yo

Catalina Cruiser (Union Rags), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000

110 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Churchill Downs, 3:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, How Soon Is
Now, 12-1
\$57,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$122,000 KEE SEP yrl

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500

37 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Delaware, 3:30 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Copper Tax, 3-2
\$45,000 FTK OCT yrl

Disco Partner (Disco Rico), Rockridge Stud, \$4,000

18 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Finger Lakes, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Miami Twofer, 3-1

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Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro), Darley, \$5,000

104 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Finger Lakes, 3:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Enticing Prospect, 6-1
\$5,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$13,000 SAR AUG yrl
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Tempting Lady, 3-1
\$27,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$87,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$40,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Leofric (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500

56 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Finger Lakes, 3:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, You Beaut, 10-1

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500

136 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Honorable Mischief, 15-1
\$27,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 FTK JUL yrl
6-Churchill Downs, 3:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Idalou, 12-1

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000

159 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Churchill Downs, 3:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Yes to Champagne, 15-1
\$80,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 KEE SEP yrl

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$5,000

89 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Trouble With Sugar, 15-1
\$7,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$9,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$35,000 OBS OPN 2yo



Enticed | Sarah Andrew

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Always Dreaming (Bodemeister), WinStar Farm, \$10,000

213 foals of racing age/46 winners/2 black-type winners
3-Finger Lakes, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Tomaki, 5-1
\$24,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane's End Farm, \$60,000

209 foals of racing age/47 winners/6 black-type winners
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Silvery Moon, 8-1
\$37,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Code West (Lemon Drop Kid), Westwin Farms, \$2,000

40 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Remington, 9:59 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Suppose You Dream, 15-1
\$20,000 FTK OCT yrl

Collected (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000

234 foals of racing age/54 winners/5 black-type winners
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Red Sun Dress, 10-1
\$18,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$22,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo
9-Churchill Downs, 4:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, When I Look At You, 12-1
\$5,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 FTK OCT yrl

Oscar Performance (Kitten's Joy), Mill Ridge Farm, \$20,000

172 foals of racing age/32 winners/5 black-type winners
5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Lady Robo, 30-1
\$9,000 KEE SEP yrl

Tapwrit (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000

177 foals of racing age/41 winners/3 black-type winners
6-Churchill Downs, 3:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Blue Squall, 10-1
\$60,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$300,000 TTA APR 2yo



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6th-Golden Gate Fields, \$41,650, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 9-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:38.28, ft, head.

BELLE'S FOREST (f, 4, Forest Command--Missbelleo's Cause, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-1, \$97,526.

O/B-Four Quarters Corp (CA); T-Brendan W. Galvin.

5th-Thistledown, \$41,500, (S), 9-26, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.06, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

I RECALL (m, 6, Misremembered--Real Distinctive, by With Distinction) Lifetime Record: SW, 28-9-5-5, \$377,022. O-Allen, Lowell F. and Bourke, W. John; B-Lowell F. Allen & W. John Bourke (OH); T-W. John Bourke. *1/2 to Distinctive Flower (Flower Alley), SW, \$289,394.

4th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$41,000, (S), 9-26, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.97, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

DADDY'S DREAM (g, 3, Skylord--Meanerthanu, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$65,982. O/B-Patrick D. Donahoe (IN); T-Randy Matthews.

9th-Prairie Meadows, \$34,618, 9-25, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44.17, ft, nose.

TEXTHELEGEND (g, 3, Justify--Life's Blessings, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, \$57,160. O-Patti and Hal J. Earnhardt III; B-Hal J. Earnhardt (KY); T-Dan L. McFarlane.

5th-Golden Gate Fields, \$33,946, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 9-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :56.96, fm, 3/4 length.

PRIMROSE RIDGE (GB) (f, 3, Aclain {Ire}--Primrose Place {GB}, by Compton Place {GB}) Lifetime Record: 12-2-5-0, \$52,084.

O-AMO Racing USA; B-Exors of the Late Mrs B. E. Moore (GB); T-Simon Callaghan. *8,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT.

3rd-Thistledown, \$32,500, 9-26, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.84, ft, 2 lengths.

BEER CHASER (g, 5, Karun {Ven}--Hy Mary Lady, by Mineshaft)

Lifetime Record: 29-8-4-4, \$206,421. O-Gene Burkholder; B-Mar Racing Stables Inc. (KY); T-Kim A. Puhl.

8th-Thistledown, \$30,700, 9-26, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.48, ft, 2 lengths.

INSOLITO (g, 4, Connect--Candy Sioux, by Indian Charlie)

Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-2, \$118,448. O-Shawn O'Brien; B-Tom Evans, Marjac Farms & Ted Forrest MD (KY); T-Richard Estvanko. *\$130,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

6th-Fort Erie, C\$18,184, 9-26, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.86, ft, head.

CHARLOTTE'S SILVER (f, 4, Lemon Drop Kid--Samsal {SP}, by Consolidator) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$53,175. O-Radcliffe Racing Stable and John E. Crausbay; B-Huntington Stud Farm Corp. (ON); T-Barrington Siddo. *C\$24,000 RNA Ylg '20 CANSEP. **1/2 to Keep Grinding (Tizway), GSP, \$201,205.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ironclad Alibi, c, 2, Free Drop Billy--Music Miss, by Prospector's Music. Thistledown, 9-26, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.48. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$33,900. B-Nancy J Lavrich (OH). *1/2 to Rivers Run Deep (Ready's Image), MSW, \$1,187,945.

Special Pal, f, 3, Forty Tales--Waltz Me Matilda, by Cryptoclearance. Finger Lakes, 9-26, 5 1/2f, 1:06.23.

Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$25,680. B-LL Racing, LLC (NY).

Freydis, f, 3, Lord Shanakill--Punch Maryland, by Two Punch.

Presque Isle Downs, 9-26, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:10.76. Lifetime Record: 11-1-3-3, \$60,430. B-William J. Solomon (PA).

Blazing Red, g, 3, Uptowncharlybrown--Our Diva, by Marquetry.

Parx Racing, 9-26, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:18.39. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. B-Equvine Farm LLC & Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC (PA). *1ST-TIME STARTER.



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Aclaim (Ire), Primrose Ridge (GB), f, 3, o/o Primrose Place (GB), by Compton Place (GB). AOC, 9-25, Golden Gate

Connect, Insolito, g, 4, o/o Candy Sioux, by Indian Charlie. ALW, 9-26, Thistledown

Flameaway, She's Fire, f, 2, o/o My Wish List, by Flatter. Fitz Dixon, Jr. Memorial Juvenile S., 9-26, Presque Isle Downs

Forest Command, Belleo's Forest, f, 4, o/o Missbelleo's Cause, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 9-25, Golden Gate

Forty Tales, Special Pal, f, 3, o/o Waltz Me Matilda, by Cryptoclearance. MSW, 9-26, Finger Lakes

Free Drop Billy, Ironclad Alibi, c, 2, o/o Music Miss, by Prospector's Music. MSW, 9-26, Thistledown

Justify, Texthelegend, g, 3, o/o Life's Blessings, by **Tapit**. ALW, 9-25, Prairie Meadows

Karun (Ven), Beer Chaser, g, 5, o/o Hy Mary Lady, by **Mineshaft**. ALW, 9-26, Thistledown

Lemon Drop Kid, Charlotte's Silver, f, 4, o/o Samsal, by Consolidator. ALW, 9-26, Fort Erie

Lord Shanakill, Freydis, f, 3, o/o Punch Maryland, by Two Punch. MSW, 9-26, Presque Isle Downs

Misremembered, I Recall, m, 6, o/o Real Distinctive, by With Distinction. ALW, 9-26, Thistledown

Skylord, Daddys Dream, g, 3, o/o Meanerthanu, by Arch. ALW, 9-26, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Uptowncharlybrown, Blazing Red, g, 3, o/o Our Diva, by Marquetry. MSW, 9-26, Parx Racing

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O'BRIEN SNAPS UP SISTER TO GLOBETROTTING SENSATION STATE OF REST FOR 750K



Joseph O'Brien: purchased the sister to State Of Rest
Sarah Farnsworth/Goffs

By Brian Sheerin

A **Sea The Stars (Ire)** sister to globetrotting sensation State Of Rest (Ire) (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**) found a fitting suitor at the Goffs Orby Sale with Joseph O'Brien, the man who trained that Tinnakill House graduate to win at the highest level in America, Australia, Britain and France, going to €750,000 to secure the star attraction on behalf of a major owner-breeder on Tuesday.

Tinnakill House has enjoyed **the ride of a lifetime with the family of State Of Rest** having signed for the granddam of the four-time Group 1 winner, Monaassabaat (Zilzal), at the Goffs November Mares Sale back in 2007.

The journey reached its crescendo on Tuesday when the hammer fell to O'Brien to deliver what was clearly an emotional success for Dermot Cantillon and his wife Meta Osborne.

Speaking shortly after the sale, Cantillon said of lot 48, "We had a lot of footfall down to the stable and I was always confident that she would make a good price. I'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Tsui for giving me the opportunity to breed to the stallion. We're not in a situation where we can breed to those top stallions regularly so to have a foal share was great."

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ROUGET PLEASED WITH ACE IMPACT AHEAD OF THE ARC

The undefeated G1 Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe favourite **Ace Impact (Ire)** (Cracksman {GB}) is pleasing trainer Jean-Claude Rouget ahead of the big day on Sunday. He is one of 16 on the radar for the ParisLongchamp showpiece after **Sprewell (Ire)** (**Churchill {Ire}**)'s defection at the latest forfeit stage on Tuesday.

A colourbearer for Gousserie Racing and Ecuries Serge Stempniak, the five-for-five G1 Prix du Jockey Club hero ran out a three-quarter length winner of the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano when last seen in August.

"Why shouldn't I be optimistic? I'm coming in with a horse that's unbeaten," said Rouget, who is seeking his second Arc after the success of **Sottsass (Fr)** (**Siyouni {Fr}**) in 2020." **Cont. p12**

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Americans Samantha McGreevy and Lauren Carlisle spotted out and about inspecting yearlings at Goffs. | Sarah Farnsworth

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Trainer Christopher Head is pointing Big Rock (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) to the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. on QIPCO British Champions Day.

DESERT HERO WILL NOT GO TO MELBOURNE CUP

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Owned by King Charles III and Queen Camilla, Desert Hero (GB) (*Sea The Stars {Ire}*) will skip a G1 Melbourne Cup bid this year.

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Meta Osborne & Jack & Dermot Cantillon of Tinnakill House Stud
Sarah Farnsworth/Goffs

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He added, "I'd also like to say a special thank you to the late John Clarke. It was John who facilitated the foal share and, without him, we wouldn't have had that beautiful filly here today. Then of course my own staff, my family for supporting us; you don't come across a filly like that many times in your life and my big wish is that she goes on and becomes a super race mare."

State Of Rest's dam Repose (Quiet American), who has also produced the dual Group 3 winner Tranquil Lady (Ire) (Australia {GB}), was sold to Juddmonte in May of last year. Tuesday's headline act was the last remaining offspring the County Laois farm had of that brilliant family.

Recalling how the mating to Sea The Stars for Repose came about, Cantillon continued, "I was at the Goffs Orby Sale at Doncaster and I met John. He was looking at Tranquil Lady going around the ring and I told him it was a nice filly who was going to sell well and that the two-year-old was quite nice as well. That was State Of Rest. He said, 'she might be one we'd be interested in doing a foal share with,' so that's how it came about."

He added, "I bought Monaassabaat here in 2007. It's been a long time in the making but we have done very well. A lot of people will say we are selling one of our crown jewels but sometimes you have to do that to keep the whole show running."

State Of Rest retired to Rathbarry Stud in Ireland with Saratoga Derby, Cox Plate, Prix Ganay and Prince Of Wales's S. triumphs to his name. O'Brien said that he was keen to secure the little sister to one of the smartest horses that he has trained and confirmed that he fully expected to have to shell out high six figures to get the job done.



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He said, "Obviously State Of Rest was a horse who progressed from two to three and this filly had a lot of quality and is medium-sized. We loved her from the moment we saw her and Sea The Stars is one of the best stallions in the world and the mare has proved herself as an outstanding producer. She will make a fantastic racing prospect in the short term and a brilliant breeding prospect further down the line. She will run for an existing client." [Cont. p4](#)



Lot 48, a filly by Sea The Stars topped the session on Tuesday
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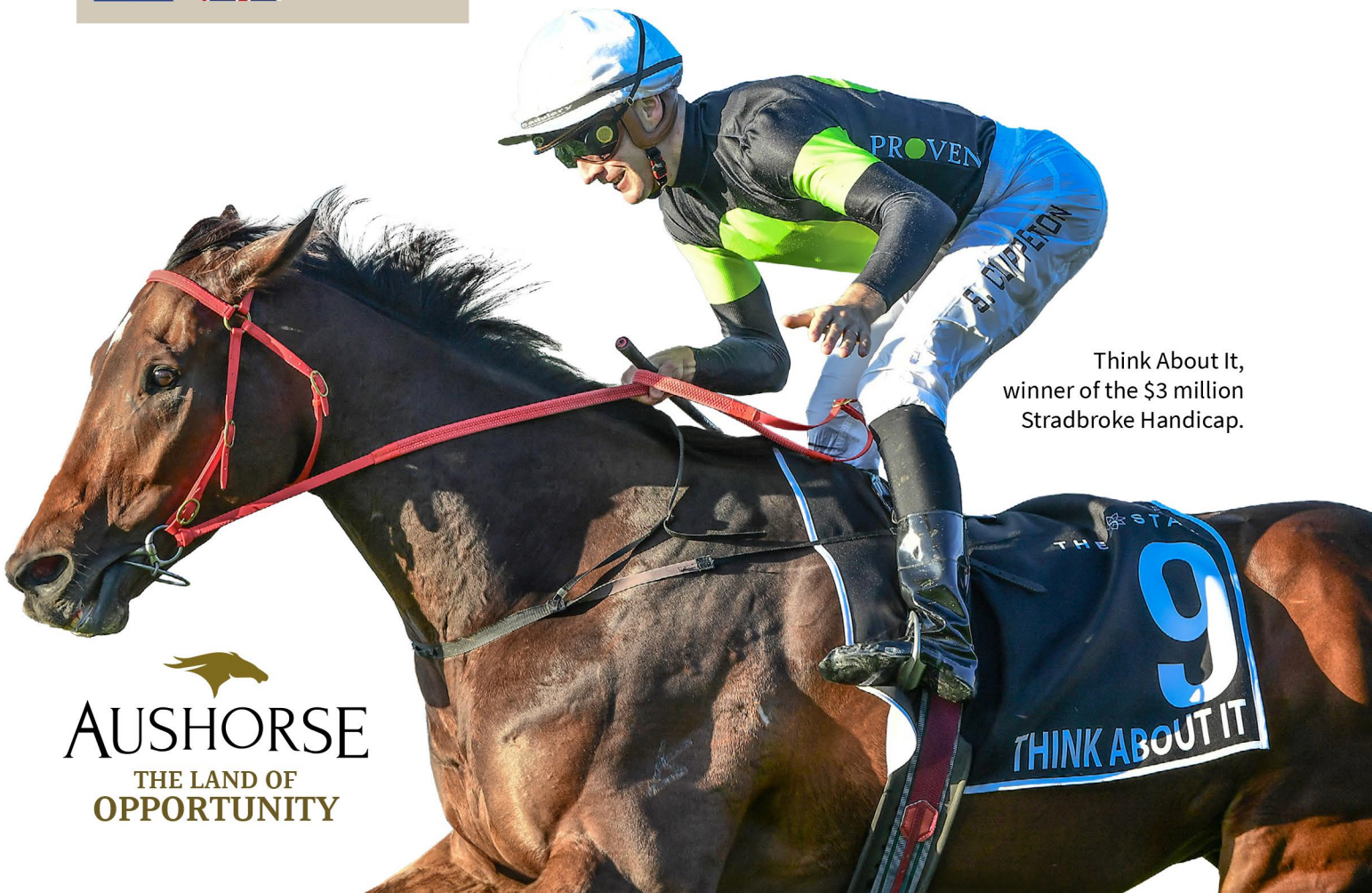
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Mike Repole Bolsters Turf Squad With Two Kingman Fillies

One of the major subplots of the Goffs Orby Sale in recent years has been the strength of the American investment. In Tuesday's preview, Goffs chief Henry Beeby paid a handsome compliment to the US agent to the sales company Jacob West, who has helped drive interest in the Orby among his American counterparts.

Not only that, but West came up trumps on day one when signing for two different **Kingman (GB)** fillies on behalf of American powerhouse owner Mike Repole to the tune of €600,000.

Speaking after signing for a €400,000 daughter of the high-class Group 2 winner Bocca Baciata (Ire) (Big Bad Bob {Ire}) (lot 260) from Glenvale Stud, West said, "She was kind of the pick of the litter from a filly perspective. She was bought for Mike Repole to go back to America so I'd assume she'll go into training with Todd Pletcher. We'll keep our fingers crossed as we're opening up a new turf division for Mike.

"We've bought two Kingmans today and as I got off the phone to Mike just now he said don't call him tomorrow because he's done! That's Mike Repole in a nutshell. The update with the filly winning today only helped and we're happy to secure her. **Kingman** has done well in America, I think his stock appreciates the firm going that we have."

That update came when Bocca Baciata's daughter Foniska (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) made all to win the Navigation S. at Cork for Jessica Harrington, who also trained the dam.

West added, "We've bid on a few today but it's strong for the right ones, there's plenty of trade. I love this sale, it produces top runners year after year. I feel like there's value here and they're raised right and come from good people. It's a great sale." **Cont. p5**



American agent Jacob West | Sarah Farnsworth/Goffs



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Frankel Colt Stars As Godolphin Make Return To The Orby

Godolphin returned to the Orby Sale market in style when snapping up a **Frankel (GB)** colt (lot 32) from Yeomanstown Stud for €625,000 before adding a Dubawi (Ire) colt (lot 100) from Ballylinch Stud for €400,000 and a Teofilo (Ire) filly (lot 168) for €190,000 from Baroda Stud.

A buying team of Anthony Stroud, Charlie Appleby and David Loder saw off a determined challenge from Mark McStay for the **Frankel** colt out of Promised Money (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), a Listed-winning sprinter for Eddie Lynam and producer of Listed winner Salimah (Ire) (El Kabeir) and G2 Mill Reef S. runner-up Fivethousandtoone (Ire) (**Frankel {GB}**).

"He's for Godolphin," said Stroud after signing for the **Frankel** colt. "Charlie, David and myself all saw this horse and we all

liked him very much.

"He's by **Frankel** and comes from a very good farm. He's very smooth and came within the range we thought he would. He's just a very nice horse."



Anthony Stroud marked a return to the Orby buying bench for Godolphin | Goffs/Sarah Farnsworth

Godolphin had been absent from the Orby since 2019, where their purchases included the subsequent Group 1-winning sprinter Creative Force (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}).

McStay Goes To 400k For Daughter Of No Nay

He may have been out of luck on the **Frankel** colt but McStay had more than one hand to play on the afternoon and the chips were firmly down on lot 156, a **No Nay Never** filly bought from Glenvale Stud for €400,000.

Out of Juddmonte's black-type performer Ultrasonic (Mizzen Mast), the **No Nay Never** was reported to have been top of McStay's wish list on what proved to be a busy afternoon for the agent. **Cont. p6**

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"She's as nice as there is on the grounds here today," he said. "I thought the price was probably right because the sire is having a phenomenal year and she has a very good pedigree; what's not to like? There was plenty of competition so I'm delighted to get her."

The **No Nay Never** filly was purchased for an unnamed client and no trainer was revealed, however, McStay also featured among the buyers for lot 87, a Fastnet Rock (Aus) filly for €200,000 on behalf of well-known connections.

She was consigned by Marlhill House Stud and is on her way to Donnacha O'Brien and will run for Medallion Racing, the part-owners of the brilliant G3 Albany S. winner Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio).

Medallion also added a **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)** filly (lot 116) to their haul from Glenvale Stud for €98,000 and she will go into training with Paddy Twomey.



Mark McStay | Goffs/Sarah Farnsworth

Talking Points After Day 1

- Al Shira'aa Farms lit the touch paper for the sale when going to €200,000 for the second lot into the ring, the Whitehall Stud-drafted **American Pharoah** half-sister to Group 1 winner Onesto (Ire) (**Frankel (GB)**). Not long afterwards, Kieran Lalor, who buys on behalf of the powerful owner-breeder, added a **Wootton Bassett (GB)** filly (lot 12) out of a sister to **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)** for €250,000. She was consigned by WH Bloodstock.
- Pinhooking profits always make for encouraging reading and few do it better than Tally-Ho Stud. Lot 86 is as good an example as any. Bought for 130,000gns from Ringfort Stud at the Tattersalls December Foal Sales, the Ghaiyyath (Ire) filly out of a Listed-placed Zoffany (Ire) mare realised €360,000 to Peter and Ross Doyle. Meanwhile, lot 31, a Havana Grey (GB) half-brother to The Wizard Of Eye (Ire) (Galileo Gold {GB}), was picked up for €52,000 from Pipe View Stud in November. He was on Tuesday sold to Sackville Donald and Dermot Farrington for €180,000.
- Paula Flannery was another to pull off a shrewd pinhook on the day when her 23,000gns Havana Grey (GB) foal purchase rocked into €140,000. Lot 148 was consigned by Ballyvolane Stud and was bought by Andrew Balding.
- Mick Kinane was another busy buyer at Goffs on Tuesday. On behalf of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Kinane bought an Acclamation (GB) colt (lot 19) from Rathbarry Stud for €280,000 and a **No Nay Never** colt (lot 201) from Baroda Stud for €240,000.

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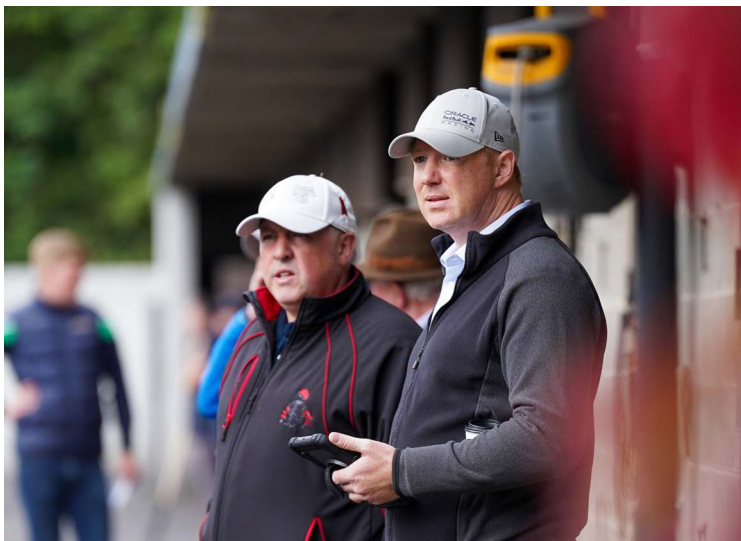


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- At close of play on Tuesday, the aggregate, average and median had all dropped by 10% compared to the corresponding day's trade 12 months ago. However, many of the big-ticket lots are still to come on Wednesday, including the eagerly-anticipated Stauffenberg Bloodstock draft. Turnover stood at €24,287,500, while the average was €112,443 and the median €85,000.



Kieran Lalor (right) of Al Shira'aa | Goffs/Sarah Farnsworth

Redvers Goes To 460k For "Rockstar" Wootton Bassett

David Redvers described the third most expensive horse to go through the ring on the day, a €460,000 **Wootton Bassett** (GB) colt out of the brilliant racemare Albigna (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}), as "a rockstar individual" before revealing the lofty plans in store.

The Camas Park Stud-drafted colt (lot 205) was bought on behalf of a new partnership between Sheikh Fahad, the China Horse Club and expanding British-based owner David Howden, best known for owning the high-class Running Lion (GB) (Roaring Lion).

The partnership are in search of colts who have the potential of becoming stallions and, in the **Wootton Bassett** colt out of Albigna, Redvers certainly fitted the brief on paper at least.

Speaking shortly after signing the docket, Redvers said, "This colt has been on our minds since we first saw him. We are trying to buy horses for a partnership of Sheikh Fahad, the China Horse Club and David Howden with a view of hopefully, one day, turning them into a stallion. He's by a phenomenal sire of high-class two-year-olds. He is a rockstar individual. Hopefully he will be a top-class two-year-old." **Cont. p8**

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Albigna, of course, will form part of the exciting draft of high-class Niarchos-owned broodmares that will go under the hammer at Goffs in November. Expertly trained by Jessica Harrington, Albigna carried the colours of the Niarchos family to victory in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac in 2019.

Redvers continued, "It's always nice knowing there is a

genuine reason for a sale, especially with top-class bloodlines like this. If it had come up from another hotel, you might have thought, 'why are they selling it?' But there is a straightforward reason as to why he has turned up at the sales and we all have the opportunity to look at these mares in November. Genuine Group 1-winning mares producing horses like this, they are as rare as hen's teeth."

Indeed, Goffs has been a happy hunting ground for Redvers and Sheikh Fahad in the past, and connections will be hoping for similar luck with their new acquisition.

"This place has been very kind to us," Redvers added. "We've bought some lovely horses here in the past. Sheikh Fahad's first Group 1 winner, Lightning Pearl (Ire) (Marju {Ire}), came out of here, as did his first Classic winner in Simple Verse (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}). We hope to make a stallion out of this one."

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Lot 61: Le Havre (Ire)--Saiga (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire})

Bred by Balreask Stud (Ire)

Consigned by Baroda Stud

Bought by John McCormack for €150,000

Any chance one has to buy a Le Havre filly from the few that will be on offer from now on is one worth taking, and this first foal of the juvenile Listed winner Saiga looks a sound investment. She will be trained by Joseph O'Brien.

Bought by American-based agent John McCormack for an undisclosed client, she is a grand-daughter of French champion two-year-old Vorda (Fr) (Orpen), who won the G1 Cheveley Park S. and was runner-up in the G1 Prix Morny and has already produced five winners from the same number of runners. Giving the page some fresh international relevance, Vorda's half-brother Prognosis (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) won the G2 Sapporo Kinen last month for Mitsu Nakauchida and the Shadai Race Horse Co Ltd to add to his G2 Kinko Sho victory and runner-up finish in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup in Hong Kong. Wherever this filly ends up racing, eventually she wouldn't look out of place in any elite broodmare band in the world, especially given the potential of the late Le Havre to become an influential broodmare sire, while Saiga's sire Teofilo is already noted in this regard.



American-based agent John McCormack | Sarah Farnsworth/Goffs

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GOFFS ORBY SALE PART 1 DAY 1

Lot	Sex	Sire Dam	Price (€)
148	c	Havana Grey (GB)--Touching (Ire)	140,000
<i>Bred by T. C. Dawson (GB)</i>			
<i>Consigned by Ballyvolane Stud</i>			
<i>Purchased by Andrew Balding</i>			

This colt was picked up by Paula Flannery for 23,000gns out of the Tattersalls December Foal Sale. Out of the listed-placed Touching (Kheleyf), he is a half-brother to the German Group 3 winner Brian Ryan (GB) (Finjaan {GB}), while this is also the family of Listed Ballymacoll Stud S. winner and G2 Sun Chariot S. and G3 May Hill S. second Feminine Wiles (Ire) (Ahonoora {GB}). Part of his Whisbury Manor-based sire's third crop, he caught the eye of trainer Andrew Balding on Tuesday and made over six times that amount. Balding purchased three yearlings by the end of the first session for a gross of €310,000 and an average of €103,334.



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SESSION TOTALS	2023	2022
• Catalogued	273	261
• Number Offered	253	237
• Number Sold	216	216
• Not Sold	37	21
• Clearance Rate	85%	91%
• No. €500K+	2	3
• High Price	€750,000	€2,600,000
• Gross	€24,287,500	€27,162,000
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• Median (% change)	€85,000 (-10.5%)	€95,000



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Lot	Sire Dam	Price (€)
48	f, Sea The Stars (Ire)--Repose <i>Bred by Tinnakill Bloodstock, Ltd. (Ire)</i> <i>Consigned by Tinnakill House</i> <i>Purchased by Joseph O'Brien</i>	750,000
32	c, Frankel (GB)--Promised Money (Ire) <i>Bred by Yeomanstown Stud (Ire)</i> <i>Consigned by Yeomanstown Stud</i> <i>Purchased by Godolphin</i>	625,000
205	c, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Albigna (Ire) <i>Bred by Flaxman Stables Ireland, Ltd. (GB)</i> <i>Consigned by Camas Park Stud</i> <i>Purchased by Qatar Racing/China Horse Club</i>	460,000
100	c, Dubawi (Ire)--Solage (GB) <i>Bred by Ballylinch Stud & Ecurie des Charmes (Ire)</i> <i>Consigned by Ballylinch Stud</i> <i>Purchased by Godolphin</i>	400,000

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156 f, No Nay Never--Ultrasonic	400,000	258 c, New Bay (GB)--Bloomfield (Ire)	320,000
<i>Bred by Newstead Breeding (Ire)</i>		<i>Bred by John Connaughton (Ire)</i>	
<i>Consigned by Glenvale Stud</i>		<i>Consigned by Church View Stables</i>	
<i>Purchased by Avenue Bloodstock</i>		<i>Purchased by Clive Washbourn/JS Bloodstock/G Scott Racing</i>	
260 f, Kingman (GB)--Bocca Baciata (Ire)	400,000	106 c, Camelot (GB)--Sparrow (Ire)	300,000
<i>Bred by Flaxman Stables Ireland, Ltd. (Ire)</i>		<i>Bred by Coolmore (Ire)</i>	
<i>Consigned by Glenvale Stud</i>		<i>Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment</i>	
<i>Purchased by West BS Agent For Repole Bloodstock</i>		<i>Purchased by D Farrington</i>	
174 c, Sea The Stars (Ire)--What A Home (Ire)	375,000	204 f, Blue Point (Ire)--Albaraah (Ire)	300,000
<i>Bred by Sunderland Holding, Inc. (Ire)</i>		<i>(€230,000 i/u '22 GOFNOV)</i>	
<i>Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment</i>		<i>Bred by Barronstown Stud (Ire)</i>	
<i>Purchased by MV Magnier</i>		<i>Consigned by Barronstown Stud</i>	
		<i>Purchased by Clay Scherer/Stripes</i>	
86 f, Ghaiyyath (Ire)--Shenoya (Fr)	360,000	209 c, Earthlight (Ire)--All Of Me (GB)	300,000
<i>(130,000gns Wlg '22 TATDEC)</i>		<i>(60,000gns Ylg '22 TATDEC)</i>	
<i>Bred by Ringfort Stud, Ltd. (Ire)</i>		<i>Bred by Michael E Wates CBS (GB)</i>	
<i>Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud</i>		<i>Consigned by Limekiln Stud</i>	
<i>Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock</i>		<i>Purchased by Marquee Bloodstock/Jason Taylor</i>	
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He added, “We know in any race anything can happen and we’re coming to the end of the season, but he gets three kilos from the older horses, which is important. I’m optimistic in the sense that he goes into the race unbeaten and has done everything we have asked him to so far.

“It’s been six weeks [since Deauville] and the six weeks have passed very quickly.”

The 2400-metre Arc will be the colt’s first try over that trip and at that racecourse. In the lead up to Sunday’s card, the weather also appears to be playing fair which is good news for several contenders.

“Obviously we can’t be certain, but with the way he finishes his races and also the fact his sire was a winner over the distance gives us hope that he can stay,” he continued. “If the Prix du Jockey Club [French Derby] had been over a mile and a half, as it was in the past, he would have won that.

“Last year Vadeni (Fr) (Churchill {Ire}) was in the same place for us and he ran really well [finished second to Alpinista (GB) (Frankel {GB})]. I’m not worried about the course, he’s an easy horse once he’s settled in his race and there are plenty of horses that have won the Arc that also hadn’t run at Longchamp before.

“I think it is going to be good for everyone, which is an interesting point about this year’s race. In the past the race was often criticised for its heavy ground and the fact horses are tired, but this year I think the ground is going to suit everyone.”



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Ground Key For Feed The Flame And Fantastic Moon

G1 Grand Prix de Paris winner and ‘TDN Rising Star’ **Feed The Flame (GB)** (Kingman {GB})’s camp is hoping for a bit of ease in the ground. Pascal Bary is seeking his first Arc, and is also confident in his Jean-Louis Bouchard-owned colt, who was second to **Fantastic Moon (Ger)** (Sea The Moon {Ger}) in the G2 Prix Niel earlier this month.

“He’s a very good horse, he has a very good temperament and he gets the mile and a half really, really well,” said Bary. “I think on the day of the Arc, the ground will be slightly different and he will be more comfortable on that ground.

“Anything a bit softer than the ground he encountered in the Jockey Club, Grand Prix de Paris and Prix Niel would be appreciated.”

The connections of G1 Deutsches Derby hero and Prix Niel scorer Fantastic Moon were pleased with their colt’s Tuesday work at Munich and have not ruled out the Arc at this stage. Raced by the Liberty Racing Syndicate, Fantastic Moon would need to be supplemented.

“Fantastic Moon’s work in Munich was very good,” said Liberty Racing Syndicate’s Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten on X on Tuesday morning. “The trainer will have a discussion with the owners about the possibilities with an eye on ground conditions. The Arc is in any case again a real option, if the sun continues.”

Another expected supplement is the Coolmore partners’ **Continuous (Jpn)** (Heart’s Cry {Jpn}), who won the G1 St Leger for Aidan O’Brien in mid-September.

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BIG ROCK 'FRESH' FOR QEII NEXT MONTH

Big Rock (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) has exited the G1 Prix du Moulin in good order and will aim for the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. on QIPCO British Champions Day, according to trainer Christopher Head.

Successful in a listed race in March, the Yeguada Centurion homebred added the G3 Prix la Force and G3 Prix de Guiche in successive months. He has finished second in his last three races, all at Group 1 level--the Prix du Jockey Club, the Prix Jacques le Marois, and the Prix du Moulin, the latter most recently in September.

"He's doing fine, he came out of the Prix du Moulin very well and he's aiming for the Queen Elizabeth II S.," Head said.

"He has done some very nice work and everything's all right. He's a horse that has needed a bit of time between races and I'm very happy to have had that kind of break between the Moulin at Longchamp and the Queen Elizabeth S.

"We have him back fresh and everything, so I think he will be more than interesting for his next race. Heavy ground is not a problem, whatever the ground does, it is not a problem for him."

Head also revealed plans for Infinity Nine Horses' **'TDN Rising Star' Ramatuelle (Justify)**, who is a multiple group winner and ran second in the G1 Prix Morny last month.

"The owners have decided that she has had a very nice 2-year-old season and they want to have a 100% chance with her at three," Head explained of the G3 Prix du Bois and G2 Prix Robert Papin heroine.

"They have decided not to run her again this season, she will be back next year in spring."

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NO ROYAL RUNNER IN THE MELBOURNE CUP, AS DESERT HERO RULED OUT

Group 3 winner **Desert Hero (GB)** ([Sea The Stars {Ire}](#)), who races for The King and The Queen, will not travel to Australia and contest the G1 Melbourne Cup in November. Instead, he will be given a break and will return as a 4-year-old.

Trained by William Haggas, the son of Desert Breeze (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) won the G3 Gordon S. in August, and was third to Continuous (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) in the G1 St Leger at Doncaster on Sept. 16.

John Warren, racing adviser to the King and Queen, said, "After giving it plenty of thought we have decided that Desert Hero won't head to the Melbourne Cup this year.

"It is obviously a world-class race and it was very tempting, but he is still a young horse and we will give him more time to mature.

"He will now have a good break and William will work out a plan for next year."

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INAUGURAL CATALOGUE FOR GOFFS BRITISH NH BREEDERS SHOWCASE REVEALED

A total of 100 foals have been **catalogued** for the first edition of the Goffs British NH Breeders Showcase at Doncaster on Friday, Nov. 3.

The two-day format of the showcase will see a foal show beginning at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 2, with the sale held at noon on the following day. The foal show will offer a generous total prize pool of £10,000 which will be shared among the top three colts and fillies in each class. The late Richard Aston of Goldford Stud will be honoured during the colts' class, while the fillies' class will honour Robert Chugg of Little Lodge Farm.

One of the choicest lots is lot 50, a colt by Blue Bresil (Fr) out of the Grade 1-winning hurdler Stormy Ireland (Fr) (Motivator {GB}). Among the other offerings is a Golden Horn (GB) colt (lot 38) out of a half-sister to the multiple Grade 1 winner Honeysuckle (GB) (Sulamani {Ire}); a filly (lot 53) by Walk In The Park (Ire) who is out of a full-sister to Grade 1 winner Bravemansgame (Fr) (Brave Mansonnien {Fr}); and a No Risk At All (Fr) colt (lot 49) out of a half-sister to Grade 1 winner Cyrlight (Fr) (Saint Cyrien {Fr}).

Goffs UK Managing Director Tim Kent said, "Since announcing this new concept we have been blown away by the level of support from British NH Breeders and are delighted to release a superb catalogue of NH foals for its debut." [Cont. p14](#)

Goffs British NH Breeders Showcase Cont.

He added, "This Doncaster sale has been introduced following many requests from British breeders for a UK-based NH foal sale before Christmas, and we have worked in conjunction with breeders and the TBA to introduce this select, premium sale that showcases the best of British NH breeding.

"When planning, we wanted to help celebrate British Breeding and the wonderful foals entered in the sale so Goffs are putting up £10,000 in prize-money for the foal show which will honour two recently departed and much missed figures of the British breeding world, Richard Aston and Robert Chugg. The foal show will be held on Thursday, 2 November, with the sale the day following on Friday, 3 November, and we hope to welcome a large audience of British breeders and overseas visitors to Doncaster for what will be an exciting two days."

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This is the first edition of the British NH Breeders Showcase | Goffs

AUCTAV HOSTS FLAT SALE OCT. 14

Auctav will conduct its first sale exclusively dedicated to Flat horses on Saturday, Oct. 14. Offered both online at [Auctav's website](#) and at Haras de Bois Roussel, the catalogue includes horses in training and yearlings, in addition to broodmares and foals.

Highlighting the broodmares is lot 84, **Lovera (Fr)** (Kendargent {Fr}), who is in foal to Hello Youmzain (Fr); **Sommerfee (Fr)** (Casamento {Ire}) (lot 67), who is responsible for four black-type performers carrying to Reoleto (Fr); and **Piscine De Ruinart (GB)** (Zoffany {Ire}) (lot 76), who is the sister of German Group winner and American Grade I-placed Indian Blessing (GB) (Sepoy {Aus}). Among the stallions represented, Muhaarar (GB) will have several youngsters on offer, including lot 74, a filly out of Joubachope (Fr) (Captain Chop {Fr}), whose dam is a sister to Chopastair (Fr) (Astair {Fr}); lot 79, a filly out of Killi (Ire), who is

out of a Group 2 winner and is a sister to three black-type horses; and lot 83, a filly out of Mercifilly (Fr) (Whipper), a sister to four black-type horses.

Inspections begin Oct. 13, starting at 9 a.m. and Saturday, Oct. 14, at 8:30 a.m. The sale proper begins at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023:

FRANCE

Calyx (GB) (**Kingman {GB}**), Coolmore Stud

103 foals of racing age

6-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, Betanyx (Fr)

€15,000 RNA Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2021 - English Version

Le Brivido (Fr) (**Siyouni {Fr}**), Haras de la Haie Neuve

39 foals of racing age

6-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, Mister Segui (Fr)

€9,000 Arqana Deauville September Yearling Sale 2022

UNITED KINGDOM

Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud

161 foals of racing age

17:30-KEMPTON PARK, 6f,

14:05-REDCAR, 6f, Indivar (Ire)

€75,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2022; 250,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2023

16:15-GOODWOOD, 7f, Les Bleus (GB)

€52,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022; £60,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2023

Calyx (GB) (**Kingman {GB}**), Coolmore Stud

103 foals of racing age

14:40-REDCAR, 8f, Budding Poet (GB)

17:30-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, Little Miss Magic (Ire)

16:15-GOODWOOD, 7f, Unreal Connection (GB)

20,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; 22,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Crystal Ocean (GB) (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**), The Beeches Stud

173 foals of racing age

13:55-GOODWOOD, 10f, Dream Ocean (Ire)

€40,000 Goffs February Sale 2022; 50,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2022



Masar has a runner at Kempton | Darley

Invincible Army (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud

95 foals of racing age

14:40-REDCAR, 8f, Supreme Tenacity (Ire)

€2,000 Goffs February Sale 2022; €9,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2022

Land Force (Ire) (No Nay Never), Highclere Stud

117 foals of racing age

16:15-GOODWOOD, 7f, Land of Magic (GB)

6,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Le Brivido (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Haras de la Haie Neuve

39 foals of racing age

16:58-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, No Mischief (GB)

Magna Grecia (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

109 foals of racing age

16:58-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, Sneaky Blinder (Fr)

€40,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2022; €40,000 Arqana May 2yo Breeze Up 2023

Masar (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

104 foals of racing age

16:58-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, Breckenridge (GB)

11,000gns Tattersalls February Sale 2022; 30,000gns Tattersalls December Yearling Sale 2022

Study of Man (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), Lanwades Stud

54 foals of racing age

15:15-REDCAR, 7f, Alacrity (GB)

Ten Sovereigns (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud

150 foals of racing age

17:30-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, Sarasa (Ire)

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

120 foals of racing age

18:00-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, Ghaihaban (GB)

190,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2022

15:15-REDCAR, 7f, Modern Times (GB)

130,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2022

13:55-GOODWOOD, 10f, Sphinx of Naxos (Ire)

150,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2022; €65,000 Arqana May 2yo Breeze Up 2023

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

HOW THEY FARED

15.40 Cork, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, f, 8fT

Ballydoyle representative **Flight Of Fancy (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), a full-sister to G1 Criterium International hero Johannes Vermeer (Ire), was unable to land a telling blow and finished just over four lengths behind the winner in a never-nearer fifth.

BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

5th-Beverley, £7,500, Novice, 9-26, 2yo, 7f 96yT, 1:37.30, sf.

PEACE WALK (GB) (c, 2, Cracksman {GB})--Hoodna {Ire}

{SP-Eng}, by **Invincible Spirit {Ire}**, who gave no show at all on debut when tailed off in York's valuable Convivial Maiden S. last month, was an entirely different proposition here breaking well to shadow the leader Conde (Ire) (Phoenix Of Spain {Ire}).

Wearing down that rival passing two out, the 7-1 shot stayed on strongly to score by four lengths. The first foal out of the listed-placed dam was Dubai Dominion (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), who was placed in the Listed Flying Scotsman S. and Listed Stonehenge S. The second dam is the listed scorer Heaven's Cause (Giant's Causeway) and the third is Heaven's Command (GB) (Priolo), who was successful in the GIII Violet H. and who was placed on three other occasions at that level. Hoodna's yearling is a colt by Harry Angel (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,946.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Johnston.



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2nd-Nottingham, £8,000, Mdn, 9-26, 2yo, f, 8f 75yT, 1:52.30, sf. **WHERE I WANNA BE (IRE) (f, 2, Camelot {GB}--Travel, by Street Cry {Ire})**, a Sept. 6 debut fourth going one mile at Kempton in her only prior start, broke well from the inside stall and led after the initial strides here. On the front end throughout, the 6-5 pick came under pressure passing the two pole and was ridden out inside the final furlong to hold the late thrust of Times Edition (GB) (Kingman {GB}) by a nose. Where I Wanna Be is the fifth of six foals and fourth scorer out of a multiple-winning half-sister to MGSW GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Eight Belles (Unbridled's Song) and the stakes-placed duo Escape Route (Elusive Quality) and All Hands (Unbridled's Song). The May-foaled bay is a half-sister to G2 Dubai City Of Gold victor Global Storm (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) and a weanling colt by No Nay Never. Sales history: €95,000 Ylg '22 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,817.

O-P Stokes & S Krase; B-Lynch Bages, Camas Park & Summerhill Bloodstock (IRE); T-Ralph Beckett.



Camelot | Coolmore

4th-Newcastle, £6,600, Mdn, 9-26, 2yo, f, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:26.33, st.

GIUDECCA (GB) (f, 2, Ulysses {Ire}--Echelon {GB} {G1SW-Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, \$780,775}, by Danehill), third over an extended seven furlongs at Lingfield last month, travelled easily in the slipstream of the leaders throughout the early stages. Sent to the front 1 1/2 out, the 5-2 second favourite stretched away with comfort to score by 2 3/4 lengths from Miss Black Jack (GB) (Soldier's Call {GB}). The winner is the 10th foal out of one of the Stud's better racemares who captured the G1 Matron S. and five other group races including the G2 Celebration Mile. Her best progeny to date is the G1 Sun Chariot S., G1 Falmouth S. and G2 Duke of Cambridge S. heroine Integral (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}) who in turn produced the listed-placed Fundamental (GB)

(Dark Angel {Ire}). Also responsible for the multiple listed-placed Provenance (GB) by Ulysses's sire Galileo (Ire) and the second dam of the G3 Palace House S. runner-up Existent (GB) (Kingman {GB}), Echelon is a daughter of the G1 Coronation S. winner Exclusive (GB) (Polar Falcon) whose other high-class performer was the dual Celebration Mile scorer and dual Group 1-placed Chic (GB) (Machiavellian). Also related to the 2000 Guineas-winning sire Entrepreneur (GB) and his Oaks-placed full-sister Dance A Dream (GB), she also has a yearling full-sister and foal full-brother to the winner, with the former named Enclosure (GB). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$7,999.

O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Limited (GB); T-Sir Michael Stoute.

5th-Newcastle, £6,600, Mdn, 9-26, 2yo, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:27.36, st.

AFRICAN SPIRIT (IRE) (g, 2, Showcasing {GB}--African Skies {GB} {GSW-Eng}, by Johannesburg), sent off at 13-2, raced a touch freely anchored in mid-division early. Sauntering to the front passing the two-furlong marker, the 33,000gns Tatts December Yearling Sale graduate drew away to score with authority by five lengths from Arantes Nascimento (GB) (Charm Spirit {Ire}). The winner is currently the last known foal out of the G3 Princess Margaret S.-winning dam, a granddaughter of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Matiya (Ire) (Alzao) who has also produced the Listed Empress S. winner and triple Group 3-placed Calypso Beat (Speightstown) and whose daughter of Mehmas (Ire) is due to sell at the upcoming Arqana Deauville October auction. Sales history: 33,000gns Ylg '22 TADEY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,352.

O-Mrs S J Brookhouse; B-Framont Ltd & R S Cockerill (IRE); T-Ben Brookhouse.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Beverley, £20,000, 9-26, 3yo/up, 5fT, 1:05.40, sf.

KORKER (IRE) (g, 4, Dandy Man {Ire}--Adaptation {GB}, by Spectrum {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 23-5-6-1, \$134,655.

O-Fine Claret Racing & More Turf Racing; B-Ballyhane Stud Ltd (IRE); T-Karl Burke. *£50,000 Ylg '20 GOFFUK.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Pals Battalion (Ire), c, 2, Invincible Army (Ire)--Princesse Savoie (GB), by Tamayuz (GB). Beverley, 9-26, 5fT, 1:07.37. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$6,202. B-Michael O'Mahony (IRE). *€8,000 Ylg '22 GOFSP; 52,000gns 2yo '23 TATBRG.

Irish Nectar (GB), g, 2, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Paco's Angel (GB) (MSP-Eng), by Paco Boy (Ire). Nottingham, 9-26, 5f 8yT, 1:02.57. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$8,991. B-Biddestone Stud Ltd & Irish NationalStud (GB). 50,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT.

Yokohama (Ire), c, 2, **Make Believe (GB)**--Am I, by Thunder Gulch. Newcastle, 9-26, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:29.16. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,564. B-Patrick Hayes & Make Believe Syndicate (IRE). *€27,000 Wlg '21 GOFNOV; 35,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. **1/2 to Questioning (Ire) (Elusive Quality), GSW-Eng, \$223,617.

Really Darn Hot (Ger), f, 2, **Too Darn Hot (GB)**--Raipura (Ger), by Montjeu (Ire). Beverley, 9-26, 8f 100yT, 1:53.33. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$8,102. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER). *18th winner for freshman sire (by Dubawi {Ire}). **21,000gns Ylg '22 TADEY; 35,000gns 2yo '23 TATBRG.

Monkmoor Pip (GB), g, 3, **Fast Company (Ire)**--Jal Mahal (GB), by Sepoy (Aus). Lingfield, 9-26, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:37.23. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,011. B-Mr & Mrs G Middlebrook (GB). *£3,000 RNA Ylg '21 GOFFUK.

It's Marvellous (GB), f, 3, **Intello (Ger)**--One So Marvellous (GB), by Nashwan. Lingfield, 9-26, 10f (AWT), 2:03.60. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$13,128. B-Meon Valley Stud (GB). *1/2 to Coquet (GB) (Sir Percy {GB}), MSW & GSP-Eng.

IRELAND

Tuesday's Results:

NAVIGATION S.-Listed, €42,500, Cork, 9-26, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:45.41, s/h.

1--**FONISKA (IRE)**, 124, f, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--**Bocca Baciata (Ire)** (MGSW & G1SP-Ire, \$347,505), by **Big Bad Bob (Ire)**.

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O/B-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd (IRE); T-Jessica Harrington; J-Shane Foley. €25,500. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$45,150.

2--**Snapraeterea (Ire)**, 133, g, 5, **Buratino (Ire)**--**Snap Alam (Ire)**, by Alamshar (Ire). (€15,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFSP). O/B-J P Farrell (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien. €8,500.

3--**Clever And Cool (Ire)**, 129, f, 3, **Vocalised**--**Sunset Beauty (Ire)**, by Whipper. O-Marguerite Bolger & Mrs J S Bolger; B-Patrick Bolger (IRE); T-Jim Bolger. €4,250.

Margins: 3, 2 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 12.00, 10.00, 6.00.

Also Ran: Lord Massusus (Ire), Flame Of Eire (Ire), Statement (Ire), Self Belief (Ire), Dame Kiri, Proud And Regal (Ire), Fast Tara (Ire), Bay Of Plenty (Ire), Power Under Me (Ire), Madly Truly (Ire). Scratched: Caracal (Fr).

Third in the 10-furlong Listed Salsabil S. at Navan in April, Foniska was fifth in the G3 Blue Wind S. at that trip at Naas the following month before beating one rival in Royal Ascot's Sandringham H. when last seen. Given abundant time off having scoped dirty after that excusable flop, the homebred bounced back with real intent here, making all under Shane Foley and unleashing impressive acceleration early in the straight to put

herself out of reach.

"She has enjoyed making the running in the past. She had a good run in the Salsabil in Navan on deep ground and I think the key to her is ground," her rider said. "She went to Ascot when the ground was very firm and came back sore, but Mrs. Harrington and Kate have done a good job to get her back. I liked the way she picked up between the three and the two and even down to the one again. She kept quickening and gave me a feel."

The dam was a smart campaigner for these connections, winning the aforementioned Salsabil before going on to add the G2 Kilboy Estate S. and G3 Dance Design S. to her tally and fill the runner's-up spot in the G1 Pretty Polly S. Sold for €530,000 at last year's Goffs November Bloodstock Sale to BBA Ireland and the Lucky Vega Syndicate, she is kin to the G3 Prix Miesque scorer and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches-placed Topeka (Ire) (Whipper) and her G3 Prix Edmond Blanc-winning full-sister Kalsa (Ire) and to the dam of the Listed Michael Seely Memorial S. winner and G2 Duke Of Cambridge S. third Primo Bacio (Ire) (Awtaad {Ire}).

Also connected to the GI Natalma S. heroine La Pelosa (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), Bocca Baciata's daughter of **Kingman (GB)** sold to Jacob West acting for Repole Bloodstock for €400,000 during the evening's opening session of the Goffs Orby Book 1. Her filly foal is by Mehmas (Ire). **VIDEO**.



Foniska is the late Galileo's 370th stakes winner | Coolmore

4th-Cork, €16,000, Mdn, 9-26, 2yo, 8fT, 1:47.99, sf/hy.

EZELIYA (FR) (f, 2, **Dubawi {Ire}**--**Eziyra {Ire}** {MGSW & G1SP-Ire, G1SP-Eng & HK, \$754,699}, by **Teofilo {Ire}**), who ran fourth to subsequent Listed Ingabelle S. runner-up Content (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in her Aug. 24 debut over seven furlongs at Leopardstown when last seen, raced in fourth for the most part here. **Cont. p18**

4th-Cork Cont.

Nudged forward once into the straight, the 11-10 favourite made her challenge passing the quarter-mile marker and was driven out inside the final furlong to prevail by a length from Wendla (GB) (Ulysses {Ire}). “I was impressed because everything went wrong really,” admitted rider Chris Hayes. “She half-fluffed her lines coming out of the gates, we went no pace and it was a 3 1/2-furlong sprint. I was in a decent position to move forward, but I had to build. She is a filly that stays well, but I couldn’t bustle her up or do anything silly. I was impressed though and she will be a lovely filly for 10 furlongs in the spring. She handled that ground quite well, has a great attitude and will either go for a black-type race or a deserved break now.” Ezeliya, half-sister to a yearling colt by **Siyouni (Fr)**, is the second foal and scorer produced by MG1SP G2 Blandford S. victrix Eziyra (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}). The March-foaled homebred bay’s stakes-placed second dam Eytarna (Ire) (Dubai Destination) is a half-sister to G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Prix Royal-Oak heroine Ebadiyla (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells), G1 Moyglare Stud S. victrix Edabiya (Ire) (Rainbow Quest) and G1 Gold Cup winners Estimate (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) and Enzeli (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$10,864. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (FR); T-Dermot Weld.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

2nd-Cork, €50,000, Hcp, 9-26, 2yo, 6fT, 1:16.06, sf.
OCEAN BAROQUE (IRE) (g, 2, **Caravaggio--Glenrowan Rose {Ire}** {SP-Eng}, by **Bushranger {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$57,634. O-J Kirkland & Mrs J M Ryan; B-Weldspec (IRE); T-Daniel Murphy. *€17,000 Ylg ‘22 GOFST.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bonbon (Ire), f, 2, **Footstepsinthesand (GB)**--Under Offer (Ire), by **Bated Breath (GB)**. Cork, 9-26, 5fT, 1:01.71. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$10,786. B-Summit Bloodstock (IRE). *1/2 to Basil Martini (Ire) (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**), GSW-Ire.

FRANCE

Tuesday’s Results:

3rd-Vichy, €16,000, Mdn, 9-26, 2yo, 8fT, 1:43.14, sf.

INDIE BRIGHT (FR) (f, 2, **City Light {Fr}**--**Mandhata {Fr}**, by **Dalakhani {Ire}**), an Aug. 24 first-up third at Deauville last time, tracked the leaders in a handy fifth through halfway in this one. Making headway into third rounding the home turn, the 11-10 favourite quickened to the fore approaching the final furlong

and was ridden out in the latter stages to assert by 2 1/2 lengths from Angel In The Sky (Fr) (Mekhtaal {GB}), becoming the 15th winner for her freshman sire (by **Siyouni {Fr}**). Indie Bright is the latest of two foals and lone performer produced by an unraced granddaughter of MG1SW European champion Mandesha (Fr) (Desert Style {Ire}). Mandesha’s leading representative is G1 Prix d’Ispahan third and stakes-winning sire Mandour (Smart Strike). Sales history: €1,000 RNA Ylg ‘22 ARQFEB; €11,000 Ylg ‘22 ARQSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €11,000. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Mme Isabelle Corbani, Patrice Renaudan & Stephane Wattel; B-Mme Isabelle Corbani & SARL Jedburgh Stud (FR); T-Stephane Wattel.



City Light | Zuzanna Lupa

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Vichy, €30,000, Cond, 9-26, 3yo, 12fT, 2:34.77, sf.
SALAHUDIN (FR) (c, 3, **Camelot {GB}**--**Wajnah {Fr}** {SW-Fr}, by **Redoute’s Choice {Aus}**) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 8-2-5-1, €61,100. O/B-Al Shaqab Racing (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

2nd-Vichy, €15,000, Cond, 9-26, 4yo, 12fT, 2:37.81, sf.

MIRABAD (FR) (g, 4, **Gleneagles {Ire}**--**Mila {Fr}** {SW-Fr}, by **Cape Cross {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, €39,110. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles. *1/2 to Mirann (Fr) (Motivator {GB}), SP-Aus, \$100,743.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Descartes (Ire), c, 2, **Mehmas (Ire)**--Riddles (Fr), by **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**. Vichy, 9-26, 5fT, :59.94. B-Sherbourne Lodge (IRE). *€155,000 2yo ‘23 ARQMAY.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

COOLMORE AUSTRALIA SECURES STRAWBERRY HILL STUD

by Kristen Manning/TTR AusNZ

One of Australia's finest equine properties, Strawberry Hill Stud, is set to continue its role as an industry leader with the famed thoroughbred nursery purchased by Coolmore Australia for an undisclosed amount.

And they are very pleased to have done so with Tom Magnier telling *The Thoroughbred Report*, "You just don't see places like that anywhere in the world go on the market."

"The facilities are top class, everything has been done to the highest of standards," he said, adding that not much needs to be done at the Mount White farm--"It is already at a Coolmore standard!"

"It is all down to John's passion, there is no farm like it in Australia--it is just an unbelievable property, and one with such great proximity to Sydney."

Ideally located just 58km north of Sydney, Strawberry Hill was named in honour of Singleton's great galloper Strawberry Road (Aus) (Whiskey Road).

A horse who so famously travelled the world, adding to his four local Group 1 victories (the 1983 WS Cox Plate, the 1983 AJC Derby, the 1983 Queensland Derby and the 1983 Rosehill Guineas) another two overseas--the G1 Grosser Preis von Baden in Germany and the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud in France.

"The first time we saw the farm we knew we had to have it," Magnier said, adding that whilst exact plans are still being formulated for its use alongside Coolmore's current properties, it is likely that "by the end of this spring carnival we will have horses spelling there."

A Historic Property

Magnier is not only excited to see Strawberry Hill become part of the Coolmore Australia story due to the advantages of the

farm but also because of its history.

"It is a huge thing for Coolmore to be able to continue the legacy that John has built. It is a historic property that has the famous results on the board... it is truly one of the most iconic properties in Australia."

One that has been built up over the decades with Tom respectful of the "time, effort and passion that John and his family have put into this farm."

"It takes decades to develop a farm to this standard and the attention to detail was something we noticed from the minute we drove in," he said.

Looking forward to the farm becoming "a world-class spelling farm for the best horses," Magnier said that Coolmore had "searched for a long time to find the right place and it is a huge thrill to end up with Strawberry Hill."



Coolmore's Tom Magnier | Tattersalls

Singleton's Legacy Lives On

Singleton dispersed his considerable thoroughbred assets via a Magic Millions sale in late August, one which saw the likes of Ciaran Maher Bloodstock, the China Horse Club, Newgate Farm, Go Bloodstock, Trilogy Racing, Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott Racing, Kestrel Racing, Highway Farm (Yulong), Kingstar Farm and Kia Ora Stud secure quality bloodstock.

The sale saw 55 lots sell at a gross of A\$15.497 million

with the top-priced seller being the regally bred G2 Tea Rose S. winner Miss Fabulass (Aus) (Frankel {GB}), a daughter of the Australian Champion 3-Year-Old Filly Samantha Miss (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) who was knocked down for A\$1.85 million to Highway Farm (Yulong).

Magic Millions' Managing Director Barry Bowditch is happy at the outcome, noting that "one of the most successful thoroughbred breeding and racing operations globally, Coolmore identified from first inspection that this property was world-class and that it was an opportunity not to be missed."

"It is a fantastic outcome," Bowditch said.

And Clint Donovan, Director of Donovan & Co, agreed.

"It has been a pleasure representing John Singleton and the Singleton Group in facilitating this substantial transaction in partnership with Magic Millions," he said. **Cont. p20**

Strawberry Hill Stud Cont.

He added, "Strawberry Hill Stud is the pinnacle of equine farms of its size nationwide--the love, heart and soul poured into the farm by John over a number of years was clearly evident to all that visited this magical property.

"The result of the Coolmore Australia purchase is a fitting next chapter for this incredible piece of the country."

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ASIA

Tuesday's Result:

HAKUSAN DAISHOTEN-Listed (Jpn-G3), ¥42,500,000, Kanazawa, 9-26, 3yo/up, 2100m, 2:11.00, gd.

1--**WILSON TESORO (JPN)**, 121, c, 4, Kitanas Black (Jpn)

1st Dam: Chesutoke Rose, by **Uncle Mo**

2nd Dam: Deputy's Delight, by French Deputy

3rd Dam: Bishop's Delight, by Sawbones

O-Kenji Ryotokuji Holdings; B-Ryoken Farm (Jpn); T-Hitoshi Kotegawa; J-Yuga Kawada; ¥25,000,000. Lifetime Record: 11-7-0-0, ¥127,880,000.

2--**Meisho Funjin (Jpn)**, 119, h, 5, Hokko Tarumae (Jpn)--Sinister Queen (Jpn), by Sinister Minister. (¥8,100,000 Ylg '19 JBBAJUL). O-Yoshio Matsumoto; B-Miyauchi Farm (Jpn); ¥8,000,000.

3--**Peisha Es (Jpn)**, 126, c, 4, Espoir City (Jpn)--Lisa Psyche (Jpn), by Wild Rush. O-Naoto Kitajo; B-Shinichi Takamura (Jpn); ¥4,000,000.

Margins: HF, 1HF, 2. Odds: 1.20, 8.30, 14.50.

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GOFFS Orby Sale, Day 2

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Pedigree</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Previous Sale</u>	<u>Buyer</u>
274	F	Kodiac x Cartesienne	40,000	GOFNOV	LTM BS
275	F	Cracksman x Cascella	42,000	GOFNOV	Woodlane Stables
281	F	Saxon Warrior x Chances Are	62,000	GOFFEB	Whitehall Stud
291	F	Invincible Spirit x Condensed	80,000	GOFNOV	Anna Sundstrom/F Zwicky
292	F	Cracksman x Conselice	32,000	GOFNOV	Tally Ho Stud
299	F	Sioux Nation x Crimson Sunrise	46,000	GOFNOV	JB BS
302	F	Blue Point x Crossanza	62,000	GOFNOV	N.D BS
310	C	Kodiac x Dame Judi	75,000	GOFNOV	Tally Ho Stud
311	C	Twilight Son x Dance Diva	38,000	TATDEC	Evergreen BS
312	C	Inns of Court x Dance Troupe	60,000	GOFNOV	Boherguy Stud
313	C	Kingman x Dane Street	550,000	GOFNOV	Stauffenberg BS
314	C	Dark Angel x Daniela de Vega	40,000	TATDEC	Vendor
318	C	Almanzor x Dayita	35,000	TATDEC	Berry BS
323	C	Acclamation x Dew	62,000	GOFNOV	Peter & Ross Doyle BS
324	C	Ghaiyyath x Diantha	60,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
325	C	Kodiac x Dierama	40,000	GOFNOV	Aughamore Stud
328	C	Churchill x Double Fantasy	25,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
329	C	Wooded x Dourdana	32,000	GOFNOV	Springfield House Stud
330	C	Arizona x Dream Impossible	60,000	GOFNOV	Peter Nolan
333	C	Mehmas x Dubka	125,000	TATDEC	RSL
335	C	Invincible Spirit x Duchesse	52,000	TATDEC	Lynn Lodge Stud
336	F	New Bay x Dusk	57,000	TATDEC	JC BS
337	C	Camelot x Dusty In Memphis	45,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
341	C	Churchill x Echo Park	40,000	GOFNOV	Compas Equine
354	C	Zoustar x Evil Spell	48,000	TATDEC	WH BS
355	F	Havana Grey x Faery Song	65,000	TATDEC	Townley Hall BS
360	C	Starspangledbanner x Fashion Design	48,000	GOFNOV	Whitehall Stables
361	F	Profitable x Fashion Line	37,000	GOFNOV	Townley Hall BS
363	C	Dark Angel x Feileacain	50,000	TATDEC	Brian Grassick BS

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376	C	Shaman x Friday Fizz	28,000	GOFNOV	Anna Sundstrom/F Zwicky
377	F	Saxon Warrior x Future Energy	55,000	GOFNOV	Glenvale Stud
382	F	Churchill x Glowing Star	88,000	GOFNOV	Castlehyde Stud
383	C	Night of Thunder x Good Place	180,000	GOFNOV	Grove Stud
384	C	Earthlight x Gorges	57,000	GOFNOV	Lynn Lodge Stud
387	C	Mehmas x Graceful	60,000	TATDEC	GHS BS
390	C	Kodi Bear x Guthanna Gaoithe	45,000	GOFNOV	Manister House Stud
391	C	Kameko x Gypsy Carnival	20,000	TATDEC	Manister House Stud
392	C	Mohaather x Habita	11,000	TATDEC	Berry BS
393	C	Ghaiyyath x Hadeeqa	60,000	TATDEC	Glenvale Stud
394	C	Kameko x Hamsat Elqamar	52,000	TATDEC	GHS BS
399	C	Churchill x Heartlines	70,000	TATDEC	Lynn Lodge Stud
400	C	Mehmas x Heavenly River	240,000	TATDEC	Peter & Ross Doyle BS
403	C	Kodiac x High Haven	30,000	GOFNOV	Evergreen BS
404	F	Sottsass x High Zaff	52,000	GOFNOV	Glenvale Stud
405	C	Sergei Prokofiev x Holberg Suite	34,000	TATDEC	JC BS
406	C	Ten Sovereigns x Hollie Point	45,000	GOFNOV	Charles Shanahan
408	C	Havana Grey x House Paint	35,000	GOFNOV	Yeomanstown Stud
413	F	Acclamation x Impetus	42,000	GOFNOV	Hayley O Connor
415	F	Starspangledbanner x Inch Perfect	25,000	GOFNOV	West Park Farm
419	F	Sea The Stars x Infinite Cheers	65,000	GOFNOV	Archdale BS
422	F	Sea The Moon x Isango	34,000	TATDEC	Kildaragh Stud
430	C	Kodiac x Jeva	78,000	TATDEC	Camas Park Stud
432	F	Mehmas x Julia's Magic	65,000	GOFNOV	Tally Ho Stud
436	C	Cracksman x Just One Kiss	125,000	GOFNOV	Oneliner Stables
439	C	Magna Grecia x Kalandara	36,000	GOFNOV	Lynn Lodge Stud
444	F	Dark Angel x Kiltara	58,000	GOFNOV	Diamond BS
449	F	Saxon Warrior x Komedý	160,000	GOFNOV	Camas Park Stud
451	F	Masar x La Arenosa	40,000	TATDEC	Kelly Equine
458	C	Mehmas x Lady Emly	68,000	GOFNOV	Killourney Mor Farm
462	F	Dandy Man x Lady Magdala	68,000	GOFNOV	S and M BS
465	C	No Nay Never x Last Jewel	120,000	TATDEC	Glenvale Stud
468	F	Showcasing x Legacy Park	70,000	GOFNOV	RC BS
474	C	Circus Maximus x Lifting Me Higher	50,000	GOFNOV	Whitehall Stables
481	F	Oasis Dream x Lizzie Siddal	25,000	GOFNOV	Woodtown House Stud

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490	F	Sergei Prokofiev x Madame Ritz	28,000	GOFNOV	JB BS
499	C	Starspangledbanner x Marfa Lights	62,000	GOFNOV	CC BS
501	C	Showcasing x Mark of An Angel	32,000	TATDEC	Ard Erin Stud
502	F	Starspangledbanner x Mary McPhee	28,000	GOFNOV	Anna Sundstrom/F Zwicky
505	C	Australia x Mechanism	40,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
506	F	Havana Grey x Messalina	46,000	TATDEC	Elton Lodge Stud
512	C	Churchill x Miss Macnamara	85,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
514	C	Kameko x Miss Sugars	45,000	GOFNOV	Baroda Stud
515	C	Earthlight x Missisipi Star	26,000	TATDEC	Ballinafad Stud
524	C	Blue Point x Motheeba	60,000	GOFNOV	Coolroe House
535	F	Sea The Moon x Newsletter	50,000	GOFNOV	Vendor
538	F	Sea The Stars x Niku	125,000	GOFNOV	BBA Ireland
539	F	Calyx x Nili Patera	13,000	GOFNOV	Glidawn Stud
542	C	Starspangledbanner x Not After Midnight	65,000	GOFNOV	Aughamore Stud

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The Airlie Stud team hard at work but still smiling. | Goffs/Sarah Farnsworth