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## HOW WILL SAUDI SUPER RACE AFFECT PEGASUS?



The start of the 2018 Pegasus World Cup | Viola Jasko

### The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

Run a \$16-million horse race and you'd think you wouldn't have any problem attracting the best horses in the U.S., but that may no longer be the case for the G1 Pegasus World Cup. The Saudis, with their infinitely deep pockets, are set to hold a horse race that will rival any in the world, and that could spell trouble for the Pegasus.

Several important details were released last week about a multi-million dollar championship racing event that will be launched next year at King Abdulaziz Racetrack in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The key elements unveiled were that the centerpiece of the card will be a mile-and-a-quarter dirt race worth between \$15 million and \$20 million and that the races will likely be held Feb. 23. Including all the races run on the day, up to \$29 million could be given away on a card clearly set to rival, if not eclipse, the G1 Dubai World Cup program.

Those details were included in a lengthy story that appeared last week in the Arab News.

It seems that the Saudis are intent on claiming bragging rights when it comes to holding the richest race in the world, so expect that the purse for the main event will be something north of \$16 million.

"The big race will be something like \$15-\$20 million," Saudi Arabian Equestrian Club Director General and Secretary Saleh Al-Hammadi told the Arab News. "Of course the Pegasus World Cup is \$16 million, but people pay \$1 million to participate, so it is different." **Cont. p3**

## MAGNUM MOON BACK IN FLORIDA; QUIP UNCERTAIN FOR DERBY

Undefeated 'TDN Rising Star' **Magnum Moon** (Malibu Moon), dominant victor of Saturday's G1 Arkansas Derby at Oaklawn, returned to trainer Todd Pletcher's south Florida base of Palm Beach Downs early Sunday in good order, according to co-owner Robert Low.

"He ate every oat last night and showed good energy this morning," Low told the Oaklawn notes team. "He flew out early."

Made the 4-5 favorite off of a score in the GII Rebel S. Mar. 17 in Hot Springs, the bay set the pace Saturday and ran away in the stretch despite drifting well out into the track to register a four-length score. It was the fourth win in four tries for the \$380,000 KEESEP graduate, who heads to Churchill Downs as one of two undefeated G1 Kentucky Derby hopefuls along with fellow 'Rising Star' Justify (Scat Daddy). **Cont. p5 (click here)**

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**Pancakes with purpose.** Santa Anita Park will host a pancake breakfast fundraiser for exercise rider Adrian Valenzuela on Thursday, April 19 at 10am at Clockers' Corner. The 21-year-old son of trainer Martin Valenzuela, Jr. sustained a spinal cord injury during training hours on March 31. 100% of the proceeds will directly support Adrian and his family. [Click here](#) for more ways to help. | Photo courtesy of Santa Anita Park

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**The Week in Review cont.**

That may or may not have been a thinly veiled shot at the Pegasus World Cup, but the Saudi racing official does have a point. Running in a race worth \$16 million or so in which you don't have to pay a sizeable entry fee could prove to be more attractive to people than running in a \$16-million race where it costs \$1 million to gain access to the field.

The Arab News suggested that the top horses and their owners will now be in a position to cash in on what could be an historic payday, participating in the \$16-million Pegasus, the \$15-\$20-million Saudi race and the \$10-million Dubai World Cup.

While that might look good on paper, it's not practical, at least not if no one budges when it comes to where their races are on the calendar. Should the races be run on what have been their traditional dates, next year's Pegasus will be Jan. 26, the Saudi race, presumably, Feb. 23 and the Dubai World Cup Mar. 30. That would mean

three races in a 63-day period, plus the rigors of shipping from Florida to the Middle East. Even with so much money up for grabs, it's hard to imagine any trainer willing to put their horse through such a taxing schedule.

More likely, anyone eyeing these super rich races will have to make a choice between the Pegasus and the new Saudi race. You can run in the Pegasus, get plenty of rest, then ship to Dubai, cobbling together a feasible schedule. Or you could skip the Pegasus, ship to Saudi Arabia, run there and then make an easy ship over to Dubai. Riyadh and Dubai are only 530 miles apart.

Politics could also play a part. Will Arab owners feel compelled to support a race in Saudi Arabia over a race in Florida? It's worth noting that the inaugural Pegasus

World Cup was won by Arrogate (Unbridled's Song), owned by Juddmonte Farms. Juddmonte is owned by Prince Khalid bin Abdullah, a member of the Saudi royal family.

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Tim Ritvo, the COO of The Stronach Group, which owns Gulfstream, home of the Pegasus World Cup, thinks his race will be fine.

"I haven't heard much about what they are planning to do in Saudi Arabia, but I'm not that worried about it," he said. "I know they are talking about a lot of money, but that's a long way to go, all the way to Saudi Arabia. We are already in a good spot and the Pegasus is a race that perfectly complements those who are also looking at racing in Dubai."

When asked if he were worried if the Saudi race would have an edge over the Pegasus because a \$1-million entry fee would not be required, Ritvo said, "Sure, there is a difference between how the two purses are arrived at, but, by the same token, anything you do has to make business sense. No matter



Tim Ritvo | Eclipse Sportswire

how much money you have, to just fund a race like that out of your pocket is not an easy thing to do. At the end of the day, if something doesn't make business sense, it's not going to continue."

Ritvo said he would always be open to moving the date of the Pegasus if the race did wind up being hurt by the Saudis, but where would it go? Run it any earlier and you are competing with the Breeders' Cup. Run it any later and you take away the option of a horse running in the Pegasus and still entering stud duty in the same year.

The Stronach Group doesn't like to lose and the Saudis have unlimited amounts of money and they aren't putting this race together so that they can get a couple of Grade III winners out

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### Bill Nack, the Best There Ever Was

By now, you've probably heard about the passing of Bill Nack and what a great racing writer he was, but this is one of those rare occasions when the word "great" falls miserably short when describing the talents of an individual.

Nack was a genius and he could do with the written word what few others could. By that, I don't mean horse racing writers, but all writers, be they journalists, novelists, non-fiction writers, screen writers, whatever. It has become cliché to say so-and-so was the Michael Jordan of this or the Babe Ruth of that, but there are those rare individuals who are born with a gift that is rarely bestowed by the gods. When it came to writing, that was Nack. He could do things with a keyboard that we mere mortals who toil writing about this game could never dream of doing.

He will, of course, be missed, but you need not shed any tears for this man. He lived to be 77, lived one hell of a life and surely seemed to enjoy every minute of it. He just as easily could have used his talents to write about football or baseball or even politics, but as often as his editors would allow him, he chose to write about horse racing. I don't think this sport has any idea how lucky it was that Bill Nack's first love was racing.

### Oaklawn Extends Meet

As has been the case for as long as anyone can remember, Oaklawn closed up Saturday after the conclusion of the GI Arkansas Derby Day card. But that won't be the case in 2019, as it was announced last week that three weeks would be added on to the end of next year's meet.

With this news, here are two things to watch:

- How will the extended Oaklawn meet affect Kentucky racing? Horses come from several racing jurisdictions to race at Keeneland and Churchill, but a major feeder for the spring meets at Keeneland and Churchill has been Oaklawn. Now, anyone racing at Oaklawn is likely to stay put for three more weeks. That can't be a good thing for Kentucky.
- Will the longer meet mean that Oaklawn will finally rethink its long-standing policy of not having a turf course? Grass racing is exploding in the U.S. and Oaklawn is the only major racetrack in the country without a turf course. For Oaklawn, that's a much bigger impediment to success than it was, say, 15 years ago. The Cella family has maintained that if they installed a turf course there would be only so much racing they could hold over it as the early months of the meet really aren't conducive to grass racing. But now that they are set to remain open through the first Saturday in May they may want to rethink that position.

Grass racing at Oaklawn from mid-March through early May would likely work just fine and would be a great addition to the meet.

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### Magnum Moon back in Florida cont.



Magnum Moon | Coady

"It's very difficult to do what he's done since Jan. 13, breaking his maiden, to now be four-for-four and win the Rebel and Arkansas Derby and be a Grade I winner in his fourth start," Pletcher said Saturday night. "It's a real tribute to the horse's talent."

Pletcher said the tentative plan for Magnum Moon is to fly to Kentucky Apr. 23 and breeze once at Churchill Downs, likely eight days before the May 5 race.

WinStar Farm, China Horse Club International and SF Racing's 'Rising Star' Quip (Distorted Humor) was second in the Arkansas Derby after chasing the winner throughout. That, combined with his victory in the GII Tampa Bay Derby gives the colt more than enough qualifying points to take a shot in Louisville, but WinStar CEO Elliott Walden was noncommittal Saturday about whether or not his charge would be pointed there.

"I don't know," Walden said. "He was second-best today. He ran hard. Good effort and we'll see what happens."

Third finisher Solomini (Curlin) will go in the Derby, according to Zayat Stables' racing and stallion manager Justin Zayat.

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## RUNAWAY GHOST INJURED, OUT OF DERBY



Runaway Ghost | Coady

by Joe Bianca

The pride of New Mexico, GIII Sunland Derby winner **Runaway Ghost** (Ghostzapper), suffered a hairline fracture to his shin in a workout Saturday and will miss his intended start in the GI Kentucky Derby, Joe Peacock, Jr., son of the colt's owner, confirmed to *TDN* Sunday. The Todd Fincher trainee will not require surgery and will instead be turned out to recuperate. The story was originally reported by *Blood-Horse*.

"Obviously we're very disappointed," Peacock said. "We're very high on the colt. He's our first baby out of our prized mare [Rose's Desert] that had a fantastic career and we were very hopeful that he was going to have a legitimate Run for the Roses. Unfortunately that didn't work. He had a workout yesterday and when he got back and they were cooling him out, thankfully our trainer realized something wasn't quite right. He had some soreness, we did an x-ray and found a hairline fracture that's not a big deal, but the right thing to do is to give him some time off. The timing of it is unfortunate, but it's the right thing to do for 'Ghost,' so that's what we're doing."

Prior to his Sunland Derby heroics, Runaway Ghost captured the Golden Nugget S. at Golden Gate and the Riley Allison S. at Sunland, and was second in the Mine That Bird Derby.

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## MY BOY JACK 'HAPPY' AFTER LEXINGTON; SHIPS TO CHURCHILL SATURDAY



My Boy Jack edges out Telekinesis in the Lexington

Don't Tell My Wife Stables and Monomoy Stables' **My Boy Jack** (Creative Cause) walked the shedrow Sunday morning at Keeneland, a day after his come-from-behind victory in the GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. that earned him a spot in the Churchill Downs starting gate for the GI Kentucky Derby May 5.

"He ate up everything last night and this morning he is very bright and acting like he didn't even run," Julie Clark, assistant to trainer Keith Desormeaux, told the Keeneland notes team. "He was a little tired after shipping here Wednesday, but now he is a happy horse."

My Boy Jack picked up 20 points for his victory to give him 52 toward the Derby and put him safely among the top 20 point earners that will make up the field.

Clark said My Boy Jack likely would ship Saturday to Louisville, where he will give Desormeaux a Derby starter for the third consecutive year.

"We have a filly coming in for the Doubledogdare on Friday," Clark said. "Even if she didn't come, I'd like to stay here a few more days and let him chill out."

Stonestreet Stables' **'TDN Rising Star' Telekinesis** (Ghostzapper), second by a head to My Boy Jack in his third career start, is doing well the morning after the race, said David Carroll, assistant to trainer Mark Casse. Carroll said Casse and the Stonestreet connections will determine where the son of Ghostzapper will run next.

"He ran a super race; we're very proud of him," Carroll said. "Beaten by a nice horse who was a lot more seasoned. He cleaned up his feed last night and jogged sound this morning. We'll try to teach him to relax, and I think the game plan would be to keep him around two turns. It's just a question of where that race would be."

**Greyvitos** (Malibu Moon), owned by Triple B Farms, also is doing well after his fourth-place finish in the Stonestreet Lexington. He was grazing outside the stakes barn Sunday morning with groom and exercise rider Fernando Cano.

Trainer Adam Kitchingman said by phone that the Malibu Moon colt came out of the race in "excellent shape."

"I'm very happy, he just got extremely tired yesterday," Kitchingman said. "I've got a couple races in mind, but I just want to give him a few more days to make sure everything's great, and then we'll make a decision on what we're going to do."

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## HOFBURG BREEZES AT PAYSON

Making his first appearance on the worktab since finishing a clear second in the GI Xpressbet Florida Derby Mar. 31, Juddmonte Farms' **Hofburg** (Tapit) breezed a half-mile in :49.02 Sunday morning at Payson Park Training Center in Indiantown, Fla. for trainer Bill Mott.

"We gave him plenty of time to recover from [the Florida Derby] and we had been picking it up, picking it up," Mott told the Gulfstream notes team. "Today was his first breeze and it sounded like it was good. It sounds like he went very well."

The chestnut homebred was fourth in his debut last summer at Saratoga before being shelved for six months and returning with a promising maiden-breaking score despite a wide draw Mar. 3 in Hallandale. **Cont. p8**



Hofburg | Sarah Andrew

He took the overland route again in the Florida Derby while closing from near the back of the pack and couldn't quite get to the impressive Audible (Into Mischief) while finishing 7 3/4 lengths clear of the remainder. Along with likely favorite Justify (Scat Daddy), Hofburg will be the least experienced runner in Louisville with only three starts to his name.

"I understand he's short on seasoning in comparison to any horse who's had six or eight starts, but it looks like a few of

them are not as hardened or seasoned as they would have been in the '70s or '80s," Mott said. "This horse was very professional down at Gulfstream Park, he's done everything right, and he takes the dirt well, and that's a good thing, particularly when you're not a so-called speed horse. You have to be able to take the kickback and stay in the race, so he seems to be able to do that. He did it well at Gulfstream, which I know is probably half the size of the [Kentucky] Derby, but he still handled it well."

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## DV8 KITCHEN: A RESTAURANT WITH A PURPOSE

by Jen Roytz

A new restaurant in Lexington is combining good food and an admirable mission to make a difference in people’s lives. DV8 Kitchen, which opened its doors in August this past year, offers inspired and mouth-watering breakfast and lunch offerings, many of which are crafted using their scratch-made breads and biscuits and locally-sourced ingredients.

What sets this restaurant spot apart from the rest, however, is its commitment to the community.

One out of every three employees at DV8 Kitchen is a second chance employee who is in a treatment program for substance abuse and working hard to chart a new course for their life. The idea behind this unique approach is the brainchild of Rob and Diane Perez, who wanted to create a way to help people who were committed to changing their lives, but lacking the helping hand to do so.

“It’s really the brainchild of my wife, Diane,” said Rob Perez, who, along with his wife, owns Saul Good, a popular Lexington restaurant with three locations around the city. “She had the vision of a restaurant helping people in the early stages of recovery due to our own life experiences.”

Perez says they chose a breakfast and bakery concept to employ the most people. The couple works with several transitional housing programs in Lexington to identify and hire some of their staff.



One of the popular cinnamon roll offerings at DV8

“We provide them with a job that pays them 20% more than market rate, but we also provide them a community of support with others who have been where they are in their recovery,” said Perez. “We’re not only sensitive to the needs of someone going through recovery, but we run the restaurant in a way that’s more accountable for someone going through recovery.”

The concept is working. DV8 has been garnering rave reviews from Lexington locals for both their food and their service. Some of DV8’s featured offerings include their huevos rancheros sandwich, orange marmalade chicken sandwich and their all-day breakfast burger. They have quickly garnered a following around town for their cinnamon rolls as well, which come in three varieties: classic with cream cheese frosting, caramel with pecans and milk chocolate with frosting.

Perez says that by operating with a high level of accountability, DV8 is able to offer a higher caliber of product and a higher level of service, which is important not only to his customers, but to his staff. He and his wife have seen how the standards set and maintained in their restaurant transfer to other aspects of their second chance employees’ lives.

“Second chance employees at DV8 make more than they could elsewhere because they are held to higher standards,” said Perez. “They learn to take pride in their work and we soon see that trickle down into other aspects of their lives, like being a more accountable spouse or parent.”

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Jarrold Thornton, one of the restaurant's second chance employees who completed a substance abuse treatment program, says his career at DV8 is an integral part of his continued sobriety.

"There's a fine line between someone's work life and personal life, and there's usually a lot of overflow between the two," said Thornton. "Second chance employment helps us bridge the gap between our work lives and our personal lives and helps to keep us accountable. All of our cards are on the table there and Rob holds us to a high standard, and we then hold ourselves to that standard in our personal lives and in our sobriety. We have a sense of pride in our work, and that really helps me in my recovery."

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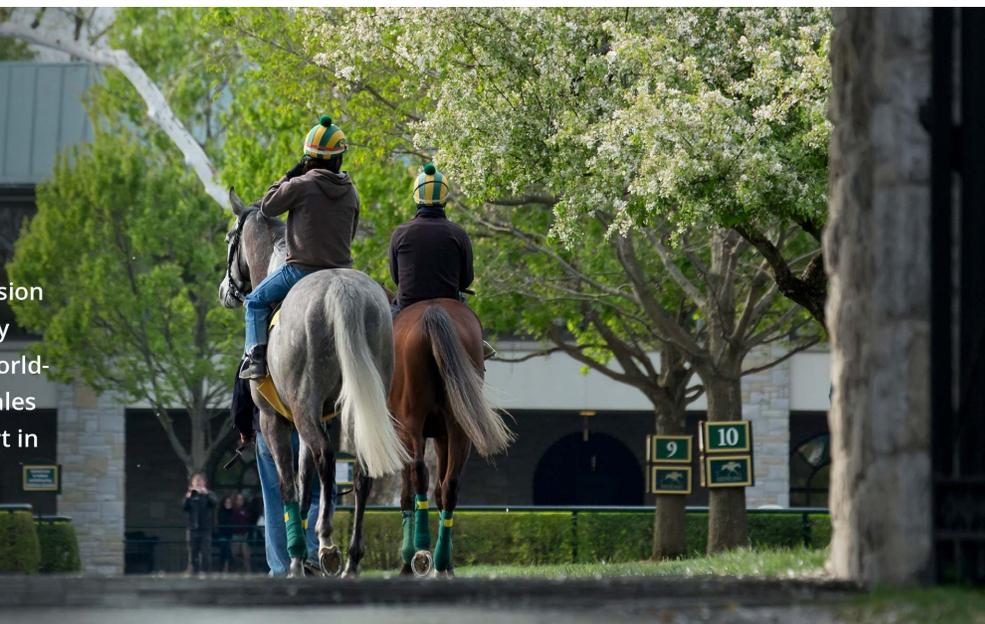
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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**TOP FLIGHT INVITATIONAL S.**, \$200,000, AQU, 4-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:51.48, ft.

1--**BLUE PRIZE (ARG), 123, m, 5, Pure Prize--Blues for Sale (Arg) (MGSW-Arg), by Not For Sale (Arg).** O-Merrielle Stable; B-Bioart S.A. (Arg); T-Ignacio Correas, IV; J-J Ortiz. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Arg & GISP-US, 12-4-6-1, \$456,193.

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2--**Frost Wise**, 120, f, 4, Frost Giant--Watch Smartly, by Smart Strike. (\$100,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR). O-George & Stephanie Autry; B-Gabriel Duignan (NY); T-Michael Dilger. \$40,000.

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3--**Verve's Tale**, 120, m, 5, Tale of Ekati--Verve, by Unbridled. O/B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Barclay Tagg. \$20,000.

Margins: NK, 1HF, 11 1/4. Odds: 1.45, 11.40, 0.90.

Also Ran: Crimson Frost, Miss Inclusive, Just Got Out.

Blue Prize, third in last year's GI Spinster S., romped home by 8 1/2 lengths in her 2017 finale in the Nov. 23 GII Falls City H. She was a lackluster seventh when returning this season in the Mar. 17 GII Azeri S. The chestnut mare chased the pacesetter Frost Wise through fractions of :24.05 and :48.55. She gradually wore that foe down in the stretch and was inching clear at the wire. "I let him [Kendrick Carmouche aboard Frost Wise] go pretty easy because I knew that I probably had the better horse," said winning rider Jose Ortiz. "At the quarter-pole, I was a little concerned, I couldn't pick up my feet and I tried to roll and get closer and I couldn't. Finally, past the eighth pole, I could see he was struggling a little bit and my filly kept going. She never picked it up really, she just keeps steady." **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



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**COPPER TOP FUTURITY**, \$162,905, SUN, 4-15, (S), 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51.55, ft.

1--**HUSTLE UP, 120, g, 2, by Abstraction**

**1st Dam: Speedin Excess (SP), by In Excess (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Danish Dessert, by Regal Classic**

**3rd Dam: Stray Flight, by Viceregal**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Dale F. Taylor Racing, LLC., Bobby McQueen, Suzanne Kirby; B-Brad King & Todd Fincher (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Tracy J. Hebert. \$81,453. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$86,793. \*First stakes winner for freshman sire (by Pulpit). \*\*1/2 to On the Low Down (Dome), MSW, \$177,606.

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2--**Stealing Home**, 117, f, 2, Southwestern Heat--Warning Track, by Grand Slam. (\$3,200 Ylg '17 RUIAUG). O-R D Hubbard & Paul Blanchard; B-R. D. R D Hubbard (NM); T-Casey T. Lambert. \$32,581.

3--**Quien Es**, 120, g, 2, Quinton's Gold--Rama Lassie, by Hadif. (\$40,000 Ylg '17 RUIAUG). O-J & SM, Inc.; B-Joe Merrick (NM); T-Fred I. Danley. \$19,549.

Margins: 7HF, 2 1/4, HF. Odds: 0.70, 8.20, 29.90.

Also Ran: Feisty Halo, Indian Diva, Scotty Who, Indian Dragon, Rexcellent, M G M's Davidson. Scratched: Lyndah Medahya, Bully Ride.

Hustle Up wired the field to take his debut over track and trip Mar. 24. Heavily favored in this second go, the dark bay gelding quickly assumed control and stormed clear down the lane for an effortless victory. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

**MIZDIRECTION S.**, \$100,000, AQU, 4-15, 3yo, f, 6fT, 1:08.50, fm.

1--**OUT OF THE FLAMES (GB), 120, f, 3, by Showcasing (GB)**

**1st Dam: Primo Lady (GB) (SW), by Lucky Story**

**2nd Dam: Lady Natilda (GB), by First Trump (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Ramajana, by Shadeed**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (30,000gns RNA Wlg '15 TATFOA; 37,000gns Ylg '16 TAOCT; £190,000 2yo '17 GOFBRE). O-Qatar Racing; B-Mr Gary Hodson & Mr Peter Moule (GB); T-Simon Callaghan; J-Paco Lopez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 11-3-1-5, \$172,091.

2--**Africa (Fr)**, 116, f, 3, Dabirsim (Fr)--Massaye (Ire), by Monsun (Ger). (€52,000 Ylg '16 ARAU2). O-Sheep Pond Partners, Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & David Simon; B-Dominique Ades Hazan (FR); T-Chad C. Brown. \$20,000.

3--**March X Press**, 122, f, 3, **Shanghai Bobby**--Indian Rush, by Indian Charlie. (\$90,000 Ylg '16 KESEEP). O-Golconda Stables; B-Pine Ridge Stables Ltd. (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$10,000.


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Margins: HD, HF, NO. Odds: 3.20, 3.80, 3.65.

Also Ran: Mentality, Golden Days, She's All Skeet, Jehozacat, Raucous, I Still Miss You, Gibby. Scratched: Nootka Sound, Wegetsdamunnys, Elevated Vision.

Out of the Flames was G2SP in Great Britain before finishing her juvenile campaign with a narrow third-place effort in the Juvenile Turf Sprint S. at Del Mar Nov. 4 for Richard Hannon. She just missed the winner's circle in second in her first start for her current barn before running third behind 'TDN Rising Star' War Heroine (Lonhro {Aus}) in the Sweet Life S. Feb. 11. The chestnut entered Sunday off a victory down the hill at Santa Anita Mar. 30.

The favorite was hard held by Paco Lopez as she sat a half-length to the outside of the longshot pacesetter through a :22.20 opening quarter. She stuck her head in front turning for home before being confronted by Africa (Fr) inside the final furlong, but fought off that foe to score the victory.

This is the fist foal out of Primo Lady (GB), who also has a juvenile filly named Little Kim (GB) (Garswood {GB}) and a yearling colt by Due Diligence. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**5th-KEE, \$78,608, Alw, 4-15, (NW3\$X), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m (off turf), 1:51.84, sy.**

**JESS I AM (r, 5, Eskendereya--Souma, by Mr. Greeley)** took a Feb. 17 optional claimer at Fair Grounds and was coming off a third-place effort after contesting the pace in New Orleans Mar. 11. The 3-2 favorite in this off-the-turfer, the chestnut was caught four wide going into the first turn and pulled his way to the lead after a quarter in :24.09. In front by four lengths after three-quarters in 1:11.94, Jess I Am held sway late to score by a half-length over Giant Payday (Giant's Causeway). **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

Lifetime Record: 21-4-4-7, \$230,085.

O/B-Zayat Stables, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.



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**3rd-AQU, \$75,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-15, 3yo, 1mT, 1:34.39, fm.**

**HAWKISH (g, 3, Artie Schiller--Bridal Memories, by Unbridled)** earned his 'TDN Rising Star' title when flying home late to graduate at Gulfstream Park Jan. 6. He finished fourth after a wide trip most recently in the GIII Palm Beach S. there Mar. 3. Breaking from the rail, the 2-5 favorite stayed along the inside into the first turn and tucked in behind pacesetter Morrison (The Factor) through a quick opening quarter in :22.86. He continued to save ground around the second turn before switching out into the two path. Easily going by that rival at the eighth pole, the gelding pulled away with each stride en route to a 4 3/4-length victory. Morrison was 5 1/2 lengths clear of the rest of the field in second. Hawkish's unraced dam is a daughter of MGISW Memories of Silver (Sliver Hawk) and is a half to MGISW turfer Winter Memories. She is represented by a juvenile filly named Champagne Diet (Declaration of War) and a yearling filly by Summer Front. She visited Data Link last year. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$75,700. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Robert V. LaPenta, AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC & Madaket Stables LLC; B-AJ Suited, LLC (KY); T-James J. Toner.

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**2nd-SA, \$56,000, Alw, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 4-15, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16.48, ft.**

**ZULFIKHAR (c, 3, Bodemeister--Pink Diamond {SP, \$113,160}, by Mineshaft)** earned his cap and gown sprinting at Los Alamitos July 7, but wasn't seen again until finishing fourth in his first two-turn test over the Oaklawn slop Feb. 19 behind 'TDN Rising Star' New York Central (Tapit). The 2-1 second choice was three lengths adrift in last through a :21.73 first quarter, but only three lengths off the lead. He rallied four wide on the turn and put his head in front at the quarter pole before fighting off a resilient McKale (Congrats) in the final sixteenth for the half-length victory. Zulfikhar was a \$190,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase turned \$750,000 Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream juvenile buy. Two-time winner Pink Diamond has a yearling colt by Graydar and a weanling colt by Cairo Prince. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$64,550. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum; B-Nursery Place, Donaldson, Broadbent & Hughes (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

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**1st-GP, \$40,000, (S), Alw, 4-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.54, ft.**

**DANCIE (m, 5, D'wildcat--Fast Annie, by Cherokee Run),** a debut winner in July of 2015, didn't resurface until a fourth-place effort at Gulfstream Dec. 7 and was second, beaten just a neck, going six furlongs at this oval last time out Feb. 25. The even-money favorite, on or near the lead throughout, wrested control from pacesetter Fontanazza (Biondetti) with a furlong to run and inched away to score by a half-length. Dancie RNA'd for \$19,000 as an OBSAUG yearling. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$72,390.

O/B-GoldMark Farm (FL); T-Ralph E. Nicks.



**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**3rd-KEE, \$71,773, Msw, 4-15, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45.34, sy.**

**SKEPTIC (f, 3, Tiznow--Clear Thinking, by Awesome Again)** was second behind subsequent Martha Washington S. winner Red Ruby (Tiznow) Nov. 25 at Churchill and third behind subsequent GII Gulfstream Park Oaks winner Coach Rocks (Oxbow) in her sophomore unveiling at this distance at Gulfstream Feb. 14. Sent off at 7-2, the bay filly had the lead going into the first turn, but ceded her advantage and settled in second down the backstretch. She moved up along the rail to challenge for the lead turning for home, skipped clear at the top of the lane and splashed home a 3/4-length winner over the late-closing Tequila Sunrise (Lemon Drop Kid).



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O-G Watts Humphrey, Jr. & Ashbrook Farm; B-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & St. George Farm, LLC (KY); T-George Arnold, II.



LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE



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**6th-AQU, \$62,000, (S), Msw, 4-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.71, fm.**

**CUMBRIA (f, 4, [Distorted Humor](#)--[Honorio {Ire}](#) {SW-Ire}, by [Sadler's Wells](#)),** fourth while sprinting six furlongs over the main track in her Mar. 4 debut, was favored at 8-5 in this move to the lawn. The bay filly exchanged bumps in traffic in the early strides before settling just off the pace along the rail. Tipped out a path at the top of the lane, she inhaled the pacesetter and sailed home a two-length winner. Starlite Mission (Mission Impazible) was second. Cumbria, who RNA'd for \$235,000 as a KEESEP yearling, is a half-sister to Maximova (Danehill Dancer {Ire}, SW & MGSP, \$334,068). Honorio, purchased by Gallagher's Stud for \$250,000 while carrying Maximova at the 2009 Keeneland November sale, RNA'd for \$295,000 while in foal to Hard Spun at last year's Fasig-Tipton November sale. She produced a filly by Hard Spun this spring. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$40,200.

O-Joseph V. Shields, Jr.; B-Gallagher's Stud (NY); T-James A. Jerkens.

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**9th-AQU, \$62,000, (S), Msw, 4-15, 3/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.58, fm. MYHARTBLONGSTODADY (f, 3, [Scat Daddy](#)--[Elusive Rumour](#) {MSP, \$140,050}, by [Elusive Quality](#)),** the even-money favorite, tracked the pacesetters, rallied three wide into the stretch and darted to the lead at midstretch and pulled away to win by 1 3/4 lengths. Grand Banks (Paddy O'Prado) was second.

Myhartblongstodady RNA'd for \$245,000 as an FTSAUG yearling and for \$95,000 as an OBSAPR juvenile. Her dam, also a two-time RNA, was three times stakes placed in New York-bred company for breeder Larry Goichman. The mare, a half-sister to stakes winner Beebe Lake (Grand Slam), produced a colt by The Factor last year and a filly by Flintshire (GB) this year. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$37,200.

O/B-Lawrence Goichman (NY); T-Chad C. Brown.



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**3rd-SA, \$54,345, Msw, 4-15, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.60, ft.**

**DOWNTOWNER (c, 4, [Majestic Warrior](#)--[Sky River](#), by [Henny Hughes](#))** went to the sidelines after finishing fifth in his debut at this oval in January 2017 and resurfaced with a runner-up effort over track and trip Mar. 9. The bay colt, sent off the 1-2 favorite, was caught between rivals in a three-way skirmish for the lead down the backstretch and fell off the pace slightly as they approached the far turn. Niggled at for more nearing the stretch, he rallied three wide into the lane and closed determinedly to win going away by 1 1/4 lengths. Papa Jazz (Scat Daddy) was second. Downtowner, an \$82,000 KEESEP yearling, sold for \$240,000 as a BARMAR juvenile. His dam Sky River, a half-sister to graded stakes winners Keats (Hennessy) and Fairbanks (Giant's Causeway), produced a filly by Shackelford last year. The mare was purchased by co-breeder Douglas Arnold of Buck Pond Farm for \$50,000 as a yearling at the 2011 Fasig-Tipton October sale and was off the board in two career starts for Arnold and Rob Auerbach in 2013. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$44,280.

O-Karl Watson, Michael Pegram & Paul Weitman; B-Buck Pond Farm, Inc. & Rob Auerbach (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

**3rd-TAM, \$20,250, Msw, 4-15, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.17, fm. TOO CHARMING (f, 3, [Bernardini](#)--[Tout Charmant](#) {MGISW, \$1,781,879}, by [Slewvescent](#)),** third in a Gulfstream off-turf event second out Jan. 3, went one better upped to 1 1/8 miles there Feb. 4. She flashed early speed in her latest Mar. 11 in Hallandale before fading to seventh. The 7-5 favorite sat two lengths off the lead through fractions of :23.34 and :47.90 and responded when asked by Daniel Centeno in the two path on the far turn.

Hitting the front at the furlong marker, Too Charming held off Lemon Princess (Lemon Drop Kid) in the final stages to graduate by 1 1/4 lengths. Osare (Medaglia d'Oro), Arrogate's half-sister, rallied to grab fourth in her debut. Too Charming is a half to Dancing House (Tapit), GSW & GISP, \$450,825. Their dam captured both the GI Matriarch S. and the GI Del Mar Oaks. She recently produced a juvenile colt named Journeyman (Animal Kingdom) and a yearling filly by Tapizar. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$26,025. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Thomas Albertrani.

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### IN IRELAND:

**Bandua**, c, 3, **The Factor**. See "Ireland".

### IN SINGAPORE:

**Maximus**, g, 5, **Lemon Drop Kid**--Imagine (MSW, \$267,059), by Giant's Causeway. Kranji, 4-15, Kranji 'B' Stakes (\$76k), 1600m (AWT), 1:39.37. B-Pauleeanna Thoroughbreds LLC (FL). \*1/2 to Femme Fatale (Distorted Humor), MSP, \$172,952. \*\*\$30,000 2yo '15 OBSJUN. **VIDEO**

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### STAKES RESULTS:

**SUNLAND PARK H.**, \$150,000, SUN, 4-15, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:47.21 (NTR), ft.

1--**OH SO REGAL**, 118, c, 4, **Sidney's Candy--Oh So Nice**, by **Smart Strike**.

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.**(\$70,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$18,000 2yo '16 KEENOV). O-Judge Lanier Racing; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Miguel L. Hernandez; J-Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.. \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-2, \$143,162.

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2--**Sphene**, 114, c, 3, **Bodemeister**--Cherokee Jewel, by Cherokee Run. (\$15,000 2yo '17 KEENOV). O-Judge Lanier Racing; B-WinStar Farm (KY); T-Miguel Hernandez. \$30,000.

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3--**Futile**, 121, g, 5, **Broken Vow**--Stormy Kiss (Arg), by Bernstein. (\$42,000 4yo '17 FTKHRA). O-Jackie Rojas & Chris Wilkins; B-M. Roy Jackson (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman. \$15,000.

Margins: 4, 1, 3/4. Odds: 6.30, 14.50, 1.40.

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-KEE**, \$79,660, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 4-15, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.69, sy.

**HEARTWOOD** (c, 4, **Tapit**--Maple Forest {MSW & GSP, \$275,066}, by **Forestry**) Lifetime Record: SW, 15-4-1-0, \$240,735. O-James K. Chapman & Stuart Tsujimoto; B-Blue Heaven Farm (KY); T-James K. Chapman. \*\$500,000 Wlg '14 FTKNOV; \$75,000 3yo '17 FTKHRA.



**7th-KEE**, \$65,920, 4-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:38.07, sy.

**RED DANE (ITY)** (f, 4, **Red Rocks {Ire}**--Lady Rangali {Ire} {SP, \$328,545}, by **Danehill Dancer {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-3, \$89,630. O-Calumet Farm; B-Centro Equino Arcadia Srl (ITY); T-Charles LoPresti.

**8th-SA**, \$58,070, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 4-15, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.56, ft.

**SWISS MINISTER** (g, 5, **Lucky Pulpit**--Alpine Echo, by **Swiss Yodeler**) Lifetime Record: SP, 30-7-5-3, \$233,643. O-Battle Born Racing Stable, Vito Casucci & Nick Ferrera; B-Heinz H. Steinmann (CA); T-Genaro Vallejo.



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**6th-SA, \$58,043**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 4-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:47.05, fm.

**VASILIKA (f, 4, Skipshot--La Belle Marquet, by Marquetry)** Lifetime Record: 21-7-4-3, \$218,355. O-All Schlaich Stables LLC, Hollendorfer, LLC, Gatto Racing, LLC & G Todaro; B-Mikhail Yanakov (KY); T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

**1st-SA, \$57,035**, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 4-15, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36.18, fm.

**BOLD PAPA (g, 6, Papa Clem--Bold Roberta {SW, \$449,704}, by Bold Badgett)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-3, \$113,575.

O-Christopher Dunn & Jeremy Peskoff; B-Thomas Weyand Bachman (CA); T-Richard Baltas. \*\$10,000 Ylg '13 BAROCT; \$110,000 2yo '14 BARMAY.

**8th-LRL, \$51,650**, 4-15, 3yo/up, 5 1/2ft, 1:00.94, fm.

**ROCKET HEAT (g, 6, Latent Heat--Enjoy the Moment {MGSW & GISP, \$540,608}, by Slew's Royalty)** Lifetime Record: GSW, 31-9-6-3, \$425,560. O-Matthew Schera; B-Farfellow Farms Ltd. (KY); T-Carlos F. Martin. \*\$60,000 Ylg '13 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Sum of the Parts (Speightstown), MGSW, \$876,189.



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**7th-LRL, \$44,550**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000-\$25,000), 4-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47.00, wf.

**NYX WARRIOR (m, 5, Majestic Warrior--Shelterfromastorm, by Chester House)** Lifetime Record: 22-5-8-5, \$169,190. O/B-Cody Beattie; B-Teneri Farm Inc (KY). \*\$27,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP.

**10th-GP, \$40,000**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 4-15, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.21, ft.

**MR ATILA (c, 4, Ghostzapper--Haysee, by Orientate)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-4-2, \$86,730. O-Mondego Stable Inc.; B-AJ Suited, LLC (KY); T-Francisco D'Angelo. \*\$110,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN. \*\*1/2 to Uncle Lino (Uncle Mo), SW & GISP, \$316,160.

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**1st-LRL, \$36,050**, (C), 4-15, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.54, ft.

**VENTE TO GO (f, 3, El Padrino--O K to Love, by Not For Love)** Lifetime Record: SP, 8-3-2-2, \$101,810. O/T-Cesar Nambo; B-Cordelia Stables (MD).

**6th-EVD, \$25,640**, 4-14, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.37, sy.

**KISS THAT DUDE (f, 4, First Dude--Kiss Me Tu, by Cherokee Run)** Lifetime Record: 16-5-5-2, \$121,350. O-Wayne T. Davis; B-Maverick Stables, Inc. (LA); T-Shane Wilson. \*\$9,500 Ylg '15 OBSWIN; \$16,000 Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$10,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR.

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**8th-EVD, \$25,000**, (S), 4-14, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:06.28, sy.

**HONEST TINA (f, 4, Honest Man--Mississippi Dice, by Valid Expectations)** Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$83,190. O-Red Rose Racing; B-Dennis Milligan (LA); T-Scott Gelner.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Hanky Panky Kim**, f, 2, **Infinite Resource--Blooming Pleasure** (MSP), by Lesters Boy. SUN, 4-15, (S), 4 1/2f, :51.84. B-Fred I Danley (NM). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.



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**Yeehaw**, c, 3, **Anthony's Cross--Breathtakingly**, by Indian Ocean. TAM, 4-15, 1m 40y, 1:42.73. B-Fastponies, LLC (FL). \*\$10,000 Ylg '16 OBSWIN; \$40,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

**Mongolian Window**, f, 3, **Drosselmeyer--Window Shopper**, by Dynaformer. SA, 4-15, (C), 6 1/2ft, 1:13.74. B-Dagvadorj Ganbaatar (KY). \*1/2 to Mongolian Shopper (Any Given Saturday), SW, \$188,457.

**Sabotare**, g, 3, **Fusaichi Zenon (Jpn)--Ghostly Belle**, by Ghostly Moves. SUN, 4-15, (S), 6f, 1:10.21. B-Larry & Denise Nichols (NM). \*1ST-TIME STARTER. \*\*1/2 to Citizen Geller (Pro Prado), SW, \$391,134.

**Lucky Lula**, f, 3, **Lucky Pulpit--Mama Lula**, by Fit to Fight. SA, 4-15, (S), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05.26. B-David J Payne (CA). \*\$6,000 Ylg '16 BAROCT.

**Ravens Reflection**, g, 3, **Munnings--Fancy and Free** (MSP), by Future Storm. HAW, 4-14, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.50. B-Peter Abruzzo & John Carver (IL). \*1/2 to Bad Boy Peter (Fusaichi Pegasus), SP, \$180,466.

**First Mistress**, f, 4, **First Dude--Flip the Stone**, by Birdstone. GP, 4-15, (C), 6f, 1:11.04. B-Shadybrook Farm Inc (FL). \*\$20,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to River Rocks (Western Pride), GSP, \$322,350; Mia Torri (General Quarters), MSW & MGSP, \$314,720.

**Terrible Day (Arg)**, c, 4, **Harlan's Holiday--Miss Tita** (Arg) (GSW-Arg), by Numerous. KEE, 4-15, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45.82. B-Firmamento (ARG). \*Full to Solo Lolo Nomias (Arg), GSW & MGISP-Per.

**Captain Chaos**, g, 4, **Tapit--Last Full Measure** (GISW, \$293,245), by Empire Maker. CT, 4-14, 7f, 1:29.56. B-Gainesway Management Corporation & St. George Farm, LLC (KY). \*\$385,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP.

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**Insubordination**, g, 5, **Vronsky--Rebellious** (SP), by Proud Irish. SA, 4-14, (S), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05.16. B-Old English Rancho & Patsy & Sal Berumen (CA). \*\$20,000 2yo '15 BAROCT.

## BROWNE REFLECTS ON PIONEERING CAREER



Willie Browne at the 2017 Craven sale | Tattersalls photo

By Chris McGrath

Willie Browne was already on the plane when he got the call. “Well Jim?”

The airport couldn't be handier, just over the road from Keeneland as it is. Even so Browne had run out of time, and been obliged to head across before **hip 2169** took his turn at the 2016 September Sale. But his compatriot Jim McCartan had liked the colt too. And now he was calling from the back walking ring.

“We've a problem here,” said McCartan. “This horse is a cribber.”

Some 18 months later--back home in Co Tipperary, just next to Coolmore--Browne shakes his head as he recalls one of the most momentous conversations in 40 years of passing young horses through the sieve of his instincts, as both stockman and trader.

“That was the first we knew of it,” he says. “Up till then I'd say we might have been ready to give 60 or 70 grand for the horse. If you come up from a National Hunt background--and that's where we started--you want them to fill your eye. And he's a big, substantial horse. But there was I, over in Bluegrass [Airport], and he's a cribber.”

Forty years, during which he has become the doyen of a trade that didn't really exist when he started.

The first European breeze-up sale, at Doncaster in 1977, was conceived largely as a clearing house for horses that had fallen through the cracks as yearlings. As Browne recalls, Tally Ho was the only other outfit that saw the potential straightaway. Nowadays there are dozens of consignors trying to make it pay, polishing up rough-diamond yearlings into ready-to-run juveniles. But it is still Browne whose example they follow; still Browne, whose five steep furlongs of woodchip they borrow to hone their horses for the sales.

The day before *TDN's* visit, no fewer than 95 outside horses had been boxed over to join his own string at Mocklershill. One consignor was making a five-hour round trip from Co Kerry for the fourth morning running. Yet the biggest touch of the lot, a story to sustain them through the darkest, coldest feed rounds of the winter, was contingent on the luck--the sheer vagueness and fatalism--of what Browne agreed with McCartan next.

“Listen, follow him in,” he said. “And if he's cheap, buy him.”

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**Browne Reflects on Pioneering Career Cont. from p1**

Cheap? What did that mean? Where would they have left him, this cribber by a sire who had been unable to keep his old Kentucky home?

“That’s a good question,” shrugs Browne. “I would have guessed if we went over 20, maybe?”

As it was, the colt--culled by the same farm that had exported his father Street Sense to Japan--was theirs for \$15,000.

“The sire was cold, I suppose,” Browne says. “They had shipped him off at that stage, and then he started showing signs that maybe they’d got rid of the horse too soon. Of course he has gone full circle since, he’s back in fashion now.”

Just seven months later Browne and McCartan sold the son of Street Sense for €1.4 million at the Arqana Breeze-Up Sale. The purchaser was Kerri Radcliffe, for Phoenix Thoroughbreds; and while those two parties have since gone their separate ways, the

horse himself (as Walk In The Sun) has won both his first starts. Browne doesn’t want any numbers repeated, because it is no longer his business; but he understands that the owners have turned down a hefty profit even on what they paid in Deauville.

“He trained probably as good as I’ve ever had,” he says. “He looked huge, like he shouldn’t be quick. But he was. I’d been touting him for weeks before Deauville. And he did a fantastic breeze, there was only one horse quicker all day.”

With his white hair and a penetrating eye behind his spectacles, Browne has something of a barn owl about him as he settles over his tea in the stable office. He gestures towards the gallops. “Sometimes, of course, you’re very happy up there,” he says. “And then on the day you’re let down. But everything gelled with that horse. The strangest thing was that Darley sold him for 15 grand, and Fergie [John Ferguson, then still Sheikh Mohammed’s bloodstock manager] bid 850 for him. In fairness,

you have to say they’re not small-minded people. Okay, they sold him. But they were prepared to do something about it.”

The big players’ interest in a Mocklershill horse is testimony not only to their faith in Browne’s opinion--vouchsafed with reliable candour--but also to his own adaptability. Because the obsession with times has become such that even the most respected horseman of the old school will not get full value for a horse who puts in a mere breeze, when everyone else is gunning for something closer to a tornado.

Browne was filled with admiration by **Niall Brennan’s recent stand, in TDN**, over the enslavement of the American market to the bullet breeze. Browne, likewise, admits that much of the pleasure has gone out of the game since the arrival of the clockers on the European scene. But the fact that Mocklershill remains an undiminished force in the market suggests that even Browne has had to compromise.

With a sheepish look, he reluctantly draws from his pocket Exhibit A: a stopwatch. “Actually I put in a timing system some years ago,” he admits. “It was quite elaborate. Worked from a satellite in the sky. But when you did your breeze, you had to put certain equipment on the horse. And when jockeys saw that, the whole game changed: they were more revved than the horses. So I only did it for two years. It wasn’t any good for the horses. So now, secretly...” He sighs, and restores the gadget to his pocket. “Listen, it’s not an exact science. And I half judge it with my eye. But if then you look at your watch, and it matches up, it gives you that little second opinion.”

He still considers himself a traditionalist and would be nervous of the legacy risked by those giving horses more of a powder-keg preparation. Even the more temperate approach, after all, will expose any mental fragility in some animals.

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### **Browne Reflects on Pioneering Career Cont.**

“But to be fair to them, those horses that do the fast breezes-- they do tend to go on, despite being ‘gunned’,” he says. “I suppose we’re living in different times, you know, there’s probably more pressure everywhere. That the whole thing is governed by the clock, it doesn’t sit easy on me. To get this breeze time, you have to do stuff you’d prefer you didn’t have to. But remember you’ll have the same carry-on if you go to a racing stables. The biggest thing in a racehorse is his mind. Whatever his ability, if you can’t cope mentally you’re in trouble anyway.”

“There are so many ways of doing this. But [the overall model] does work. You go to the better tracks in England, from August on, and every second horse in the maiden is a 400 grand, 500 grand yearling. If I sell a horse for 400 grand, I want it to work out well! So many of those expensive yearlings never do anything. Yet everyone’s very quick to jump on the bandwagon where the breeze-ups are concerned.”

Browne has earned the right to have his opinion heeded, whatever the clock might say. True, he finds that people visiting his barn at the sales sometimes hand the list straight back to him and ask him to pick out the viewings instead. That can be awkward if he has a couple of dozen lots to move on. At the same time, all the airy talk you hear among buyers--to the effect that the clock is just one factor among many--is simply not matched by deeds.

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“People will listen to a degree,” Browne says. “But when they get the timesheets... I had a filly last year in Doncaster, I think she was half a second, maybe six-tenths off the best one. And would you believe she was 41st on the list. I was very happy with her breeze but if you have to go right down there to find her, and you don’t know your stuff...”

Sometimes, mind, it pays to go against the crowd. His Deauville coup, for instance, rewarded his unswerving faith in the American Thoroughbred. **Cont. p4**

**Browne Reflects on Pioneering Career Cont.**

With Mark Dwyer, a regular collaborator, he will reckon to see 60% at Keeneland from Book 2 through to the second week. That is some amount of legwork for a septuagenarian, even one with a 9-year-old son to keep him on his game. But he is puzzled that most Europeans rely on the breeze-ups as an import agency.

“Somewhere in the middle there, American horses went out of fashion,” he says. “But I think that wheel is on the full cycle now. And even though Keeneland is the most competitive market in the world, there’s still better value there than at most of the European sales. You just have to work at it.”

Browne--like Dwyer, and so many other breeze-up consignors--learned the ropes with steeplechasers. His father rode in several Grand Nationals, and they were trying (not terribly successfully) to scrape together a few quid, buying and selling jumpers, when the Doncaster experiment gave them a new option.

“No doubt about it,” Browne says. “National Hunt people know their horses. I’d be very much into conformation; I love a good walk, a good hindleg. But at the end of the day, if you’re looking for a real good horse, pedigree is what matters. When people come to me at the sales, it’s always the big sire on your door they go to first. The mare never gets enough credit. For me she’s 75% of the whole job.”

“If you go back 10 years, before time became such a factor, I would have been as brave as anyone to go in and buy a yearling. I’d give 200 grand if the horse had the looks and the pedigree. Because if you had a good individual and he went up there with a good action, at the worst you’re going to get your money back. But now if you give 200 or 400 for a horse, and he does a poor time, you’ve lost everything.”

If that means you sometimes have to buy a cribber, demonstrably that isn’t always a bad thing. A significant portion of his Deauville profit was ploughed into relaying the woodchip. And it wouldn’t have taken long to get through the rest, with over 90 horses in his latest intake.



Willie Browne at the recent Goffs UK Breeze Up Sale | Alayna Cullen

Lest we forget, the only man to sell a seven-figure breezer in Europe before Browne at Deauville was--Willie Browne. When he draws attention to the framed newspaper headlines, however, it is with the very opposite of complacency.

“See that there?” he says, pointing. “To be honest, I’d prefer to train a winner of a small race in Dundalk than to do that. Because there’s so much satisfaction out of it. It’s a magical feeling, training a winner. You get up in the morning, and he’s still there; it’s your project and it’s worked. I do train the odd one. Three at the moment. But if you’re a pinhooker you’ve got to be a pinhooker. If you start keeping some back that you like, you can’t make the rest of it credible.”

“Ninety horses is too many. I’m no spring chicken. How long I can stay at it, I couldn’t tell you. There’s nothing better around for me anyway. As I say, the enjoyment left it slightly when the times came in. Anyway that’s how it is. It’s a great game, and we’ve had great fun at it.”

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## TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR COLLECTIVE INFLUENCE *By Jack Cantillon*



Jack Cantillon

How did you make the decision to go to the races for the first time? Had you read about the sport and was your interest sparked? Had you a friend who was passionate about racing? Perhaps your family was involved in horses? No matter your journey to the sport, there is one universal truth in each individual journey--your decision was influenced. It was influenced by what you read. It was influenced by your friend's passion. It was influenced by

your family's involvement. Human decisions are shaped by those around us. Today, if we want to transform the reach of our sport, the answer is simple, we need to each take personal responsibility for widening our sport's collective influence.

Influence is the capacity to affect decisions, a quest that should obsess racing's leaders worldwide. But what does influence look like today? Step forward, social media star Kylie Jenner, showing her discontent with the new version of social media platform Snapchat, Kylie tweeted her decision to stop using the app "soo does anyone else not open Snapchat any more? Or is it just me . . . ugh this is so sad." Kylie did not profit from the tweet but Snapchat lost over \$1bn in value in 24 hours in the sell-off on the stock market that followed the tweet.

With the influence that one person and one tweet can now have, inevitably, this process has been commercialized. "Influencers" are social media "stars", like Kylie, who have monetised their followers by posting pictures and endorsing brands or, in the case of President Trump, capitalized on the platform given by social media for extraordinary political gain.

On Instagram alone (a photo sharing platform), the global influencer market is now worth over \$1.5 billion. Influencers with over 100,000 followers are paid around \$1,000 per post in support of a brand. The more followers, the higher the multiple in cost per post. Consumers agree it works. 84% of millennials say that user-generated content has some influence on what they buy. Racing, whether it likes it or not, will soon be at a marketing crossroads. Should it pay to influence the next generation of racegoers by using these "stars"?

At first glance, using social media stars with large followings within easy reach is an appealing option for racing. Look at the success of Conor McGregor in advertising the first Pegasus World Cup. Look at the hype generated by Usain Bolt DJ-ing at the Melbourne Cup carnival. And yet, the impact while initially large, is fleeting and hollow. I don't see Conor and Usain rocking up with legions of followers in top hats to Royal Ascot anytime soon. Where then should we look for answers?

Let me float a kite with you. Kitesurfing, without financial backing, has become one of the fastest growing sports in the world in attracting newcomer participants. It has done this, just as racing could, by harnessing the modern mediums of influence. The exotic locations are documented on Instagram. The experiences are captured on GoPros. Participants connect and inform each other of the best conditions on WhatsApp. [Cont. p6](#)



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Since its arrival in the 1990s, it now counts Google founder Larry Page, entrepreneur Richard Branson, former secretary of state John Kerry and one and a half million others as its devotees. That's real, decision-making, influence.

We, as a sport, need to understand how we most make a cultural impact. The Queen is the most recognisable face in the world. To quantify the prestige and economic impact she has on British racing would be to belittle it. Winx has transported Australian racing from the back pages to the front. American Pharoah gave American racing the champion it craved. People want to take photos and document that they are part of a story that is special, whether it is by sharing in the Queen's personal passion or witnessing history. That is real, authentic influence that draws new people to the sport. Just think of the moments that shaped your initial interest in the sport? I don't think it was



The Queen, pictured with her filly Estimate | *Racing Post*

a particularly well worded ad in the newspaper.

We don't need thousands of followers, what we need is an industry-wide commitment to create meaningful, impactful content using the free tools available to us. After all, the first ever motion picture video was of a galloping horse. We need to become our own influencers. ITV Racing is leading from the front and while their viewing figures might not be matching those of Channel 4, they understand that viewing figures are just one metric and their influence can be much greater by extending the range of mediums that they use. They've championed with viewers a social media stable so viewers can interact with presenters during the broadcast. They do Facebook Live feeds before and after the broadcast. And by producing podcasts they demonstrate an understanding that video isn't the only format in which racing fans want to consume their content.

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The power is with us all. Each conversation you have explaining racing to a stranger widens our impact. Ger Lyons does a wonderful job with a Facebook blog in being as open and transparent as possible about his horses. And each tweet you post widens our influence in the digital conversation. Antoine Griezmann is one of the world's best footballers and a passionate owner of racehorses. He has tweeted to his 5m followers about his colt Tornibush with Philippe Decouz and uploaded photos of his racing colours hanging at home. Each video you take opens up our sport to be discovered by more people. Take a look at the wonderful videos Godolphin are producing this year.

It shouldn't be so radical to suggest that every racing authority worldwide needs to develop a branding team not just to widen the authority's reach through their own internal channels but to empower our own sport's participants to become influencers. Drones should be available to rent free to trainers so that they can show off their facilities or tape key pieces of work. Media training should become part of a jockey's licensing. Breeders should be shown examples like Arrowfield and given the tools to capture the amazing development of the potential racehorse from its earliest tottering steps. This isn't a 100m dash with Usain, this needs to be a sustained, committed campaign, with ownership of the task ahead given to our greatest influencers - you.

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## EUROPEAN NEWS

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### O'BRIEN PAIR DOUBTFUL FOR CLASSICS

G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine **Clemmie (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), currently favoured in the G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas and the winning **Amedeo Modigliani (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) have both suffered setbacks and could miss those Classic runs, Aidan O'Brien told *Racing Post* on Sunday. A full-sister to dual Classic hero Churchill (Ire), Clemmie sustained a stone bruise last month.

"Clemmie had a hold-up last month and is only back walking," O'Brien said to *Racing Post*. "It's possible the Newmarket Guineas might come too soon for her and we might decide to aim her at the [G1] Irish 1000 with possibly a race before then.

Her brother Churchill got a mile but only just, so there are no guarantees she will get the distance. If she doesn't then we can always drop her in trip. She showed last season she has plenty of speed, winning the [G2] Duchess of Cambridge and the Cheveley Park."

The highly regarded '**TDN Rising Star**' Amedeo Modigliani has an August Galway win to his credit from two starts, but he drew off by 5 1/2 lengths that day and was behind only fellow Ballydoyle stablemate Saxon Warrior (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the wagering for the June 2 G1 Epsom Derby prior to Sunday's news.

"He's had a setback and is only walking and trotting," O'Brien said. "We're going gently with him and won't be forcing him. He might not be ready for the Classics and most likely it will be the second half of the season for him. He's a smart colt and we like him."

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### CRACKSMANS TO GALLOP AT HQ

G1 QIPCO Champion S. victor **Cracksman (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) and Frankie Dettori will have a racecourse gallop before racing at Newmarket on Tuesday. The John Gosden trainee will be put through his paces over the Rowley Mile accompanied by a stablemate at 12:40 p.m. local time, 70 minutes before racing begins at 1:50 p.m. The 4-year-old is targeting the G1 Prix Ganay at ParisLongchamp for his seasonal reappearance on Apr. 29, but also holds an entry in the x Dunaden Jockey Club S. at Newmarket on May 5. Placed in both the English and Irish Derbys, the 130-rated bay also struck twice at Group 2 level in 2017, taking the G2 Great Voltigeur S. and G2 Qatar Prix Niel.

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## PERFECT WOOTTON

**Wootton (Fr)** (Wootton Bassett {GB}) was acquired by Godolphin from breeder Haras de Quetieville after plundering his Aug. 22 debut by six lengths going one mile at Deauville and backed up that promise with a similarly dominant performance in the Oct. 19 Listed Prix Isonomy back over that course and distance last time. Sent to the front after the initial strides of this sophomore return, he was shaken up at the quarter-mile marker and came under ever-increasing pressure as the tenderly handled **Olmedo (Fr)** (Declaration of War) persisted in forcing him to pull out all the stops inside the final eighth to register a career high in game fashion.

“We had some minor niggles with him over the winter, but they all cleared in time and I’m delighted with that performance,” claimed trainer Alex Pantall. “He was on edge beforehand, but he behaved that way on debut and perhaps he was a little too fresh. Leading was not a problem as he settled well and Mickael [Barzalona] was patient from the front. He waited and waited until asking for Wootton’s main effort. There’s no doubt he has room for improvement and will come on a lot for the run, both physically and mentally. Faster ground

will not be a problem so we will come back here for the [May 13 G1] Poule d’Essai des Poulains.”

Jean-Claude Rouget was proud of the runner-up’s run and indicated a rematch was on the cards for the front two, adding, “Olmedo ran a great race. We’ve had a bad winter and I’ve been unable to prepare my team as I’d have liked so that run was most encouraging. I think the first and second are two very good horses, finishing clear of the remainder. We’ll be back in the Poulains hoping to reverse the result and I don’t think there is anything to compete with these two.”

### Pedigree Notes...

Wootton is the leading performer produced by G3 Prix du Calvados placegetter American Nizzy (Fr) (American Post {GB}) and he is a half-brother to the 2-year-old colt Hot Summer (Fr) (Sommerabend {GB}) and the yearling colt Magic Baron (Fr) (Dabirsim {Fr}). American Nizzy is a granddaughter of Listed Prix Isola Bella victress Quittance (Riverman), who in turn is out of a winning half-sister to GISP GII Del Mar Invitational Oaks heroine Suivi (Diesis {GB}). **Click for the [free EquineLine.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)**



Wootton, prior to maintaining his perfect record in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau at ParisLongchamp on Sunday. | Scoop Dyga

**Sunday, Longchamp, France**

**PRIX DE FONTAINEBLEAU-G3**, €80,000, LCP, 4-15, 3yo, c, 8fT, 1:47.33, hy.

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

**1st Dam: American Nizzy (Fr) (GSP-Fr, \$107,781), by American Post (GB)**

**2nd Dam: Quietude, by Woodman**

**3rd Dam: Quittance, by Riverman**

**1ST GROUP WIN.** O-Godolphin SNC; B-Ecurie Haras de Quetieville (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall; J-Mickael Barzalona.

€40,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, €73,500. **Werk Nick**

**Rating: F. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**



2--**Olmedo (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, **Declaration of War**--Super Pie, by Pivotal (GB). **'TDN Rising Star'** (€100,000 Ylg '16 ARAUG).

O-Ecurie Antonio Caro & Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Dream With Me Stable Inc (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

€16,000.

3--**Louis d'Or (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, Intello (Ger)--Soudanaise (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. (€27,000 Ylg '16 AROCT). O-Camille Garnier; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (FR); T-Tony Castanheira. €12,000.

Margins: HD, 3HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.00, 1.60, 8.70.

Also Ran: Rostropovich (Ire), Mind Mapping. **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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**MUSIS AMICA DOWNS GROTTÉ FOES**

**Musis Amica (Ire)** (Dawn Approach {Ire}) was straight on the case, registering a Nov. 10 debutantes' heat over 7 1/2 furlongs at Saint-Cloud in her only prior start, and punched her ticket to the May 13 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches with a late flourish in this black-type bow.



Musis Amica | Scoop Dyga

Steadied off the pace in fifth for much of this renewal, she was scrubbed along passing the two pole and, despite appearing held approaching the final eight, quickened impressively in the closing stages to claim a personal best in decisive fashion.

"Andre [Fabre] told us she was our filly for the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches, but it looked a strong race on paper beforehand so it is a pleasant surprise," admitted Godolphin's Lisa-Jane Graffard. "We thought she might lack for experience in this first start of the season which, of course, is only the second outing of her career. She has a lovely action, she quickened well and can improve physically because she is a big filly. She's not quite there yet, but we're still very hopeful of a good run back here next month."

**Pedigree Notes...**

Musis Amica, who is also entered in the May 27 G1 Prix Saint-Alary and June 17 G1 Prix de Diane, is a daughter of G2 Prix de Malleret and G3 Prix de Royaumont placegetter White Star (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), and is thus a half to G2 Prix Eugene Adam hero Harland (GB) (Halling) and a 2-year-old colt by Raven's Pass. Her second dam is G1 Kentucky Oaks, G1 Delaware Oaks and G1 Alabama S. heroine White Star Line (Northern Dancer), who produced G2 Prix de Pomone victress Whitehaven (GB) (Top Ville {Ire}), herself the dam of dual stakes winner Copeland (GB) (Generous {Ire}) and the granddam of G2 Blue Diamond Prelude victress Samara Dancer (NZ) (Hinchinbrook {Aus}) and G3 Caulfield Guineas Prelude winner Eclair Big Bang (NZ) (Savabeel {Aus}). Musis Amica shares her granddam with G1 Moyglare Stud S.-winning European highweight Preseli (Ire) (Caerleon) and G1 Oaks d'Italia heroine Valley of Gold (Fr) (Shirley Heights {GB}). **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

**Sunday, Longchamp, France**

**PRIX DE LA GROTTÉ-G3**, €80,000, LCP, 4-15, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:46.85, hy.

1--**MUSIS AMICA (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by **Dawn Approach (Ire)**

**1st Dam: White Star (Ire) (MGSP-Fr), by Darshaan (GB)**

**2nd Dam: White Star Line, by Northern Dancer**

**3rd Dam: Fast Line, by Mr. Busher**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** O-Godolphin SNC; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Mickael Barzalona.

€40,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €53,500. **Werk Nick**

**Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**



2--**Sea Prose (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Lope de Vega (Ire)--Calasetta (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). O-Roy Racing Ltd; B-Ecurie La Boetie (FR); T-Freddy Head. €16,000.

**G3 Prix de la Grotte Cont.**

3--**Latita (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Silver Frost (Ire)--Amazing Story (Fr), by Cricket Ball. (€5,000 Ylg '16 ARQNOV). O-Pierre Van Belle, Jean-Claude Rouget & Jose Bruneau de la Salle; B-Jedburgh Stud & Thierry de la Heronniere (FR); T-Fabrice Vermeulen. €12,000.

Margins: 1HF, HF, HF. Odds: 10.00, 14.00, 4.10.

Also Ran: Magical (Ire), Wind Chimes (GB), Mission Impassible (Ire), Sweet Dream (Fr), Armoricaine (GB). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video](#), sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**

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## PHARRELL SPRINGS AN UPSET IN THE NOAILLES

The road to the 2018 G1 Prix du Jockey Club received its first voyagers on Sunday, with Jean-Louis Tepper's **Pharrell (Fr)** (Manduro {Ger}) coming out on top in a tight finale with **Alhadab (Fr)** (Camelot {GB}) and **Flag of Honour (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in the G3 Prix Noailles at ParisLongchamp. Like so many Jean-Claude Rouget runners before him, the chestnut was kept in the provinces at two and entered this first Parisian test on the back of conditions wins over 10 furlongs at Angers in October and November. A generous 17-1 as a result, he tracked the leading trio under Jean-Bernard Eyquem and was the first of the eventual protagonists to strike for home with two furlongs remaining. Chased hard by Ballydoyle's Flag of Honour to the line, he showed tenacity to ward off that threat as the Fabre representative Alhadab closed on his other side. At the line, he had a head to spare over the latter, with the same margin back to Flag of Honour in third as they put eight lengths between them and **Gyllen** (Medaglia d'Oro).



Pharrell (I) | Scoop Dyga

Rouget has a keen eye for a potentially smart horse and this bargain purchase is just another reminder of that. "I've always liked this horse, he very much reminded me of another son of Manduro called Ultra (Ire) who won the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere for Godolphin and that's why I bought him as a yearling. I did not even look at his family," he explained. "Lately, his home work was not that good but you have to run them and take the races as they come. It was a very nice surprise to see him win so bravely and as I was not expecting that I haven't mapped out a program for him. We'll see how he comes out of this to see where he goes next."

### Pedigree Notes...

The dam, who is a half to the listed-placed Mogadishio (Fr) (American Post {GB}), also has a yearling filly by Dabirsim (Fr). This is the family of the GII Mathis Brothers Mile S. runner-up Perfectly Majestic (Majesticperfection), the GII Buena Vista H. scorer and GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup S. runner-up Blue Moon (Fr) (Lomitas {GB}) and the G1SW staying sire Bannaby (Fr) (Dyhim Diamond {Ire}). **Click for the [free Equine.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).**

### Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France

**PRIX NOAILLES-G3**, €80,000, LCP, 4-15, 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:23.51, hy.

1--**PHARRELL (FR)**, 128, c, 3, by **Manduro (Ger)**

**1st Dam: Censure (Fr)**, by **Kendor (Fr)**

**2nd Dam: Nebraska (Fr)**, by **Octagonal (NZ)**

**3rd Dam: Touraille (Fr)**, by **Jim French**

**1st BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** (€15,000 Ylg '16 ARAUG). O-SARL Ecurie J L Tepper; B-Suc. P Camus-Denais & B Camus-Denais (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Jean-Bernard Eyquem. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-2, €83,750. **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: A+.**



2--**Alhadab (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, **Camelot (GB)**--Grace Lady (Fr), by Muhtathir (GB). O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Jean-Philippe Dubois (FR); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.

3--**Flag of Honour (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--Hawala (Ire), by Warning (GB). O-Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Barronstown Stud (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. €12,000. Margins: HD, HD, 8. Odds: 16.80, 8.50, 2.50.

Also Ran: Gyllen, Nobokhov (GB), Barade (Fr), Vicopisano (Fr), Young Fire (Fr). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Video](#), sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**

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## BUTZJE DOMINATES AT COLOGNE

Trainer Markus Klug has another star on his hands in **Butzje (Ger)** (It's Gino {Ger}) after she spreadeagled her opposition in Sunday's G3 Karin Baronin Von Ullmann - Schwarzgold-Rennen at Cologne. Sent off at 4-1, the bay who was last seen finishing a well-beaten sixth in the G3 Preis der Winterkonigin at Baden-Baden in October led at every step and maintained a ruthless gallop in the testing conditions to register an emphatic seven-length defeat of **Angelita (Ger)** (Areion {Ger}). Butzje is the last known foal out her useful dam Beltana (Ger) (Areion {Ger}), who was a listed-winning 2-year-old.

**Sunday, Cologne, Germany**

**KARIN BARONIN VON ULLMANN -**

**SCHWARZGOLD-RENNEN-G3**, €55,000, COL, 4-15, 3yo, f, 8ft, 1:41.86, sf.

1--**BUTZJE (GER)**, 128, f, 3, by It's Gino (Ger)

1st Dam: Beltana (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Areion (Ger)

2nd Dam: Bat Sheva (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB)

3rd Dam: Be Happy (Ger), by Homing (GB)

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** (€5,500 Ylg '16 BBAOCT). O-Holger Renz; B-Stall 5-Stars (GER); T-Markus Klug; J-Andreas Helfenbein. €32,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €38,200. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.** **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

2--**Angelita (Ger)**, 128, f, 3, Areion (Ger)--Angel Dragon (Ger), by Royal Dragon. O/B-Gestut Brummerhof (GER); T-Peter Schiergen. €12,000.

3--**Suada (Ger)**, 128, f, 3, Maxios (GB)--Shiramiyna (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). (€38,000 RNA Ylg '16 BBAGO). O-Art 4 Horseracing; B-Gotz Meyer zu Reckendorf (GER); T-Markus Klug. €6,000.

Margins: 7, 4, 3 1/4. Odds: 4.00, 2.40, 3.00.

Also Ran: Wierland (Ger), Dina (Ger), Dance Me, La Magique (Ger), Queens Beauty (GB). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equine.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

## FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

**Monday, Apr. 16, 2018**

**UNITED KINGDOM**

Gregorian (IRE) (Clodovil {Ire}), National Stud

85 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners

14:50-WINDSOR, 5f, SOLESMES (GB)

3,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2016



Gregorian is aiming for his first winner at Windsor on Monday.

*Alayna Cullen*

## IRELAND



**Sunday's Results:**

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOBLESSE S.-Listed**, €55,000, COR, 4-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 12ft, 3:17.48, hy.

1--**BLOOMFIELD (IRE)**, 126, f, 4, **Teofilo (Ire)**--**Ramona (GB)**, by **Desert King (Ire)**.

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** (110,000gns RNA Ylg '15 TATOCT). O/B-John Connaughton (IRE); T-Willie McCreery; J-Billy Lee. €32,450. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 4-2-2-0, \$79,711. \*1/2 to Prima Luce (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Ire, \$154,565.

2--**Glamorous Approach (Ire)**, 129, m, 5, New Approach (Ire)--Maria Lee (Ire), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). (€280,000 5yo '18 GOFFEB). O-Ballylinch Stud. €11,000.

3--**Clear Skies (GB)**, 126, m, 5, Sea The Stars (Ire)--Out West, by Gone West. (500,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT). O-John P McManus. €5,000.

Margins: 4 1/4, 2 1/4, HF. Odds: 0.80, 3.30, 3.00.

Also Ran: Geoffrey's Girl (Fr), Cinnabar Reds (Ire).

Untested as a juvenile, Bloomfield posted a June 10 debut win at The Curragh and ran second in the June 28 Listed Naas Oaks Trial and closed last term with another runner-up finish in the Aug. 6 G3 Give Thanks S. over this course and distance. The lightly raced bay tracked the leaders under restraint in fourth and improved one spot before halfway. Looming large off the home turn, she eased to the fore approaching the two pole and stayed on relentlessly under stern urging inside the final quarter mile to secure a career high by daylight.

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Sodden but jubilant, the connections of Bloomfield | *Racing Post*

Listed Noblesse S. Cont.

“She is as honest a filly as you can get and it’s grand to win,” commented trainer Willie McCreery. “I wanted to see if she was a Cup filly because she settles so well and all she does is gallop. I have her in the [Listed] Vinatge Crop S. [at Navan] next week and I’d say she’ll stay the 14 furlongs, but I don’t think we’ll go there. There are plenty of options both here and abroad, and she is well bred so we’ll try and find a Group 3 with her.”

Bloomfield is one of seven winners and the second black-type performer produced by Ramona (GB) (Desert King {Ire}), and she is kin to G3 Athasi S. victress Prima Luce (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Ramona is herself an unraced half-sister to MGSW G1 July Cup runner-up Cassandra Go (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), who in turn is the dam of three stakes winners headed by MG1SW Irish highweight Halfway To Heaven (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

**1st-COR, €16,000, Mdn, 4-15, 3yo, 8f 100yT, 2:11.84, hy.**

**EXPECTED (IRE) (g, 3, Intikhab--Andorra {GB}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB}),** sent off the 4-1 second favourite for this debut in extremely testing ground, raced with two behind early. Relishing the conditions, the €34,000 TIRSEP yearling cruised to the front two furlongs out and stayed on to make the end margin a bloated 21 lengths. The winner is a half-brother to the G3 Denny Cordell Lavarack & Lanwades Stud Fillies S. scorer Duchess Andorra (Ire) (Duke of Marmalade {Ire}), GSW-Ire

\$116,355. The dam, whose 2017 filly is by Finsceal Fior (Ire), is like the G1SW European champion 2-year-old filly Embassy (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) a daughter of Pass the Peace (Ire) (Alzao) who also took the G1 Cheveley Park S. and was champion 2-year-old filly in Ireland after capturing the G3 Debutante S. before running second in the G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$12,152. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/T-Paddy Twomey; B-M. Ryan (IRE).

**5th-COR, €12,000, Mdn, 4-15, 3yo, 10fT, 2:42.70, hy.**

**BANDUA (c, 3, The Factor--If Angels Sang, by Seattle Slew),** a \$150,000 KEENOV foal, followed the leading duo after a flag start. Taking over approaching the quarter pole, the 4-1 shot pounded through the final stages to win by 9 1/2 lengths from Arthurian Fame (Ire) (Camelot {GB}). Giuseppe Garibaldi (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Ballydoyle’s G3 Eyrefield S. runner-up, was a further 14 lengths away in third as the ground became almost unraceable. The winner is a half-brother to the Argentinian MGSW Ilusora (Tale of the Cat), the GII Charles Whittingham Memorial H. scorer Tale of a Champion (Tale of the Cat), GSW-US, \$271,193, and the GIII Eddie D S. winner Mr. Roary (Scat Daddy), GSW-US, \$248,225. The dam, who has an as-yet unraced 2-year-old colt by Warrior’s Reward named Cowboys Dream, is out of the MGSW and MGISP Chapel of Dreams (Northern Dancer), a half-sister to Storm Cat whose family features the G1 Racing Post Trophy hero Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,113. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Calumet Farm; B-Judy Hicks & Kathryn Nikkel (KY); T-Dermot Weld.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:**

**Promising (Ire), f, 4, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Lethal Quality** (SP-US), by Elusive Quality. WOL, 4-14, 6f 20y (AWT), 1:14.03. B-Irish National Stud (IRE). \*€350,000 Ylg ‘15 GOFORB. \*\*MGSP-Eng.

## FRANCE

**Sunday's Result:**

**PRIX LORD SEYMOUR-Listed**, €52,000, LCP, 4-15, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:46.04, hy.

1--**CASTERTON (IRE), 129, c, 4, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--**

**Chenchikova (Ire), by Sadler's Wells.** O-OTI Management Pty Ltd; B-Chenchikova Syndicate (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €26,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 9-3-3-1, €96,300. \*Full to Smuggler's Cove (Ire), SW-Ire & G1SP-Eng.

2--**Caravagio (Fr), 126, h, 5, American Post (GB)--Semire (Fr), by Mizoram.** O-Philippe Jeanneret. €10,400.

3--**Rashkani (Fr), 126, g, 5, Pivotal (GB)--Radiyya (Ire), by Sinndar (Ire).** O-Gold and Blue Limited. €7,800.

Margins: 1, 2, NK. Odds: 4.90, 3.70, 14.00.

Also Ran: Sirius (Ger), Galipad (GB), Pinkie Brown (Fr), Spirit's Revench (Fr), Smart Whip (Fr).

Third on his first try at black-type in Saint-Cloud's 15-furlong G3 Prix de Lutece in September, Casterton ended his sophomore campaign with a first black-type success in the Listed Prix Vulcain over 12 1/2 furlongs at Deauville in October. Settled in mid-division on the inner early, the bay was delivered with a strong effort to overwhelm Caravagio a furlong from home and assert for an easy comeback score. The dam, who is a full-sister to High Chaparral (Ire) and Black Bear Island (Ire), was responsible for Smuggler's Cove who was third in the G1 Dewhurst S. for Ballydoyle. She also has an as-yet unraced 3-year-old colt by Declaration of War named Warspite (Ire) and a yearling filly by Deep Impact (Jpn). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**L'Or et l'Argent (Fr), f, 3, Stormy River (Fr)--Valleyrose (Ire), by Royal Academy.** BDX, 4-14, 8fT, 1:51.40. B-Gilles & Aliette Forien (FR). \*€18,000 Ylg '16 OSLATE. \*\*1/2 to Kandidate (GB) (Kabool {GB}), GSW & G1SP-Eng, GSW-UAE, \$842,605; and Star Valley (Fr) (Starborough {GB}), GSW-Fr, \$208,163.

## GERMANY

**Sunday's Results:**

**1st-COL, €5,100, Mdn, 4-15, 3yo, 8fT, 1:44.30, sf.**

**INDAH (GER) (f, 3, Dabirsim {Fr}--Iota {Ger}) {G1SW-Ger, \$254,063}, by Tiger Hill {Ire}** inched her way to the front after the opening skirmishes of this debut. Nudged along passing the

three-furlong marker, the 3-5 pick was safely clear entering the final eighth and kept on well to hold the late bid of Portentoso (Ger) (Santiago {Ger}) by a half-length. She becomes the fifth scorer out of G1 Preis der Diana heroine Iota (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}) and is a half-sister to G1 Grosser Preis von Bayern-winning German highweight Ito (Ger) (Adlerflug) and Listed Grand Prix de Lyon runner-up Iniciar (Ger) (Galileo {Ire}). Iota has also produced the yearling colt In Swoop (Ire) (Adlerflug {Ger}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €3,000.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O/B-Stall Ullmann (GER); T-Jean-Pierre Carvalho.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Klungel (Ger), c, 3, Jukebox Jury (Ire)--Konigstochter (Ger)** (SW-Ger), by Dai Jin (GB). COL, 4-15, 11fT, 2:26.08. B-Gestut Zoppenbroich (GER). \*€28,000 Ylg '16 BBAGS. \*\*1/2 to Kaldera (Ger) (Sinndar {Ire}), Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 14f+ & GSW-Ger, \$131,064.

## OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

**3.30 Leopardstown, Mdn, €16,000, 3yo, f, 10fT**

**MAGIC WAND (IRE) (Galileo {Ire})**, one of three contenders for Aidan O'Brien, is kin to G1 Irish Oaks heroine Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and is the mount of Seamus Heffernan backing up a debut seventh going one mile here in her only prior start last October. Her nine rivals feature stablemates **Broadway (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})**, a half-sister to G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S. victress Danedream (Ger) (Lomitas {Ger}), returning off a first-up fourth tackling six panels at Naas in June; and **Athena (Ire) (Camelot {GB})**, who is kin to G1 Irish Oaks winner Bracelet (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), making her seasonal bow coming off a seventh in last term's G3 Park S. at Naas.

**5.35 Leopardstown, Mdn, €15,000, 3yo, f, 7fT**

Jackie Bolger's **SCRIOBH NUA (IRE) (New Approach {Ire})** is kin to five black-type performers including MGSW G1 1000 Guineas runner-up Cuis Ghaire (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Coronation S. placegetter Gile Na Greine (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), and GSW G1 Moyglare Stud S. second Scintillula (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Opposition to the Jim Bolger-trained newcomer includes His Highness The Aga Khan colourbearers **Simiyna (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire})**, a hitherto untried half-sister to stakes-winning G1 Irish St Leger fourth Silwana (Ire) (Peintre Celebre); and her twice-raced Dermot Weld stablemate **Shareva (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire})**, who is a half-sister to dual G2 Blandford S. victress Shamreen (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}).

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# WORLDWIDE NEWS

## INGLIS BROODMARE & WEANLING SALE LED BY 'INVINCIBLE' COLT

The first day of the three-day Inglis Australian Broodmare and Weanling Sale held at Riverside Stables was topped by **lot 119**, a son of I Am Invincible (Aus), who sold for A\$255,000 to Lyndhurst Farm. Day 1 was divided between 146 select weanlings--plus one supplemental lot--and 20 general session weanlings. The clearance rate for the select portion was 92%, with 118 sold from 147 catalogued, grossing A\$3,441,300. The average was A\$29,164 (+7.1%) and the median was A\$17,000 (+13.3%). For the general weanling session, the clearance rate was even higher at 94% for 17 sold, with an aggregate of A\$87,000, an average of A\$5,118 (-62.9%) and a median of A\$4,500 (-43.8%).

Evergreen Stud Farm offered five of the top nine foals, including the I Am Invincible topper, who is out of a placed daughter of Group 1 winner Critic (NZ) (Centaine {Aus}). Under the third dam is New Zealand Horse of the Year Ocean Park (NZ) (Thorn Park {Aus}) and G1SW Prince Kaapstad (NZ) (Kaapstad {NZ}).

"He is by one of the best sires at the moment and we just loved him when we first saw him," said Lyndhurst Farm's Mark Treweek regarding the topper. "I think it has been a really nice market. Some have made good money, but overall there has been a middle range and most people would be pretty happy."

The second highest priced weanling (**lot 117**), just like lot 119, was consigned by Evergreen Stud Farm on behalf of Hillside Thoroughbreds and brought A\$130,000 from Maluka Thoroughbreds Pty. Ltd. A bay son of Hinchinbrook (Aus), the full-brother to MGSW Whispering Brook (Aus), who ran third in the G1 Thousand Guineas, is out of Artful Whisper (Machiavellian).

"There's a lot of confidence around in the market overall and similar to the Easter Yearling Sale, anything that's quality will sell especially well," said Evergreen Stud's Tony Bott. "Both the I Am Invincible and Hinchinbrook colts sold very well. They were both lovely weanlings and had been very popular all week. We talked to the interested people and told them they were going to be sold, there weren't going to be silly reserves, we got them on the market early, the buyers had the confidence to bid which always helps and they sold very well."



Lot 90 | Inglis



Lot 119 | Inglis

"All credit really must go to Hillside," he added. "They were presented to us in lovely condition and we didn't have to do a lot. The buyers obviously appreciated quality and we saw the end result. It was fantastic."

Three other lots made six figures on Sunday, among them a third Evergreen Stud Farm offering, a son of Written Tycoon (Aus) (**lot 65**) out of Rossa Mia (Aus) (Testa Rossa {Aus}), herself a half-sister to Group 2 winner Stokehouse (Aus) (Anabaa), who attracted a bid of A\$110,000 from Sheamus Mills Bloodstock; a colt by MGSW Rubick (Aus) out of Witchlike (Aus) (Magic Albert {Aus}) (**lot 104**) from Aquis Farm snapped up by Devcich Bloodstock Ltd. for A\$128,000; and Middlebrook Valley Lodge's Dissident (Aus) colt (**lot 90**), out of MSW and G1 South Australian Oaks bridesmaid Tingirana (NZ) (Generous {Ire}) who made A\$110,000 to N Jones. **Cont. p15**



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**INGLIS AUSTRALIAN BROODMARE AND WEANLING SALE: DAY 1**

SELECT WEANLINGS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	147	118
• Number Offered	128	97
• Number Sold	118	84
• Not Sold	10	13
• Clearance Rate	92%	87%
• High Price	A\$255,000	A\$160,000
• Gross	A\$3,441,300	A\$2,286,500
• Average (% change)	A\$29,164 (+7.1%)	A\$27,220
• Median (% change)	A\$17,000 (+13.3%)	A\$15,000

GENERAL WEANLINGS	2018	2017
• Catalogued	20	19
• Number Offered	18	14
• Number Sold	17	13
• Not Sold	1	1
• Clearance Rate	94%	93%
• High Price	A\$15,000	A\$80,000
• Gross	A\$87,000	A\$179,500
• Average (% change)	A\$5,118 (-62.9%)	A\$13,808
• Median (% change)	A\$4,500 (-43.8%)	A\$8,000

**Inglis Cont.**

The dearest filly on the day, by Not A Single Doubt (Aus) and out of G2 SAJC Breeders' S. victress Freestyle (Aus) (Snippets), hammered at A\$75,000 to Redwall Bloodstock. The fifth Evergreen Stud Farm offering, lot 8, is the 11th foal of her dam and is already a half-sister to seven winners from eight foals to make the races, including GSP House of Fun (Aus) (Starcraft {NZ}). Her second dam is dual listed heroine Stella Artois (Aus) (Geiger Counter), a full-sister to SW & GSP Smytzer's Trish (Aus) and a half-sister to a pair of Group 3 scorers in Snitzel (Aus) fillies Aliyana Tilde (Aus) and Teaspoon (Aus).

Rubick led all sires by aggregate, with seven of nine sold for A\$292,000, followed by I Am Invincible with his sale-topping colt at A\$255,000. The latter also led by average, with Hinchinbrook second in that category at A\$95,000 for two of three sold. Deep Field (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}) sported a perfect record, with all three offered changing hands for a total of A\$208,000, averaging A\$69,333, good for sixth overall and second for sires with two or more weanlings catalogued.

"The first year here at Riverside, I think we've shown today that selling quality select weanlings on the Sunday after the Australian Easter Yearling Sale works," said Inglis Managing Director Mark Webster. "We've certainly got a platform to work

off for future years. There is plenty more quality on offer tomorrow and Tuesday with broodmares and race fillies, so I encourage people to come along and take part or register to bid online. Our Bloodstock team will be available to inspect any lots if clients are unable to attend the sale."

The second day of the Broodmare and Weanling Sale will begin at 10 a.m. local time, when 225 broodmares and race fillies will go under the hammer during the Select Race Fillies & Broodmares session, followed by two supplemental race fillies. Click [here](#) to view the complete results.

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## SESSION TOPPERS

### INGLIS AUSTRALIAN BROODMARE & WEANLING SALE: DAY 1 TOP LOTS

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$A)
119	c	I Am Invincible (Aus)	Bang On (NZ)	255,000
Consigned by Evergreen Stud Farm Purchased by Lyndhurst Farm				
117	c	Hinchinbrook (Aus)	Artful Whisper	130,000
Consigned by Evergreen Stud Farm Purchased by Maluka Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd				
104	c	Rubick (Aus)	Witchlike (Aus)	128,000
(A\$190,000 i/u '17 MGLMAY) B-Aquis Sha Tin Syndicate (Qld) Consigned by Aquis Farm Purchased by Devcich Bloodstock Ltd				

### SPIRIT OF BOOM'S FEE ANNOUNCED

Standout first-season sire **Spirit of Boom (Aus)** (Sequalo {Aus}) will stay at the McAlpine family's Eureka Stud in Queensland and will command a A\$55,000 fee for the 2018 breeding season, ANZ Bloodstock News reported early on Monday. The dual Group 1 winner stood for A\$11,000 last year, but has already sired four stakes winners among his 11 winners from just 35 runners to date.

"Breeders can breed to him with confidence in that he throws you a good type and he works with the Danehill bloodline," Harry McAlpine told ANZ on Sunday. "We have a lot of big agents and big-name breeders tell us you stand at whatever price, we are coming with as many mares as you will take."

His filly Kinky Boom (Aus) won the lucrative Listed Inglis 2yo Premier this season, while Jonker (Aus) lifted the Wyong Magic Millions 2YO Classic. Both listed winners Outback Barbie (Aus) and EF Troop (Aus) have been placed at the Group 2 level, in the G2 Percy Sykes S. and the G2 Todman S., respectively. [Cont. p16](#)



Spirit of Boom | Eureka Stud

**Spirit of Boom Cont.**

Through Sunday, Spirit of Boom’s runners have amassed \$1,165,082 in earnings and he leads the first-season sire list by winners. Only Zoustar (Aus) is ahead of him in the earnings race.

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**Eureka Stud 2018 Roster & Fees**

<b><u>Stallion</u></b>	<b><u>Fee (\$A)</u></b>
Spirit of Boom (Aus) (Sequalo {Aus})	+55,000
Defcon (Aus) (Choisir {Aus})	6,600
Red Dazzler (Aus) (Red Ransom)	4,400
<i>+ indicates fee increase.</i>	

**SMART MISSILE TO TWIN HILLS**

MGSW **Smart Missile (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), will move to **Twin Hills Stud** for the 2018 breeding season, the stud tweeted Saturday evening. The Australian third-crop sire will stand for A\$13,200. Among the champion Australian first-crop sire’s top runners are Group 3 winners I’ll Have a Bit (Aus) and Debellatio (Aus), and he is responsible for another three stakes winners to date.

**ORFEVRE COLT POWERS TO GUINEAS SCORE**

Five years have passed since Orfevre (Jpn) (Stay Gold {Jpn}) last graced a racecourse with the Japanese Horse of the Year bowing out on top in the 2013 G1 Arima Kinen, but his first-crop son **Epoca d’Oro (Jpn)** is already following in his sire’s hoofsteps, with a two-length win in the G1 Satsuki Sho at Nakayama on Sunday.

Orfevre saluted in the 2011 edition of the 2000-metre Classic. Away to an alert beginning, the dark bay strode to a clear cut fourth as **Aithon (Jpn)** (King’s Best), **Generale Uno (Jpn)** (Screen Hero {Jpn}) and **Jun Valerot (Jpn)** (New Approach {Ire}) opened up over 10 lengths on the trailing pack. Patiently handled by a

calm Keita Tosaki, the Hideaki Fujiwara trainee wasn’t given his cue until 500 metres from the line, as the leading trio began to falter from their front-running exertions. Swooping four deep, the 13-1 seventh choice came calling with a full head of steam as 23-1 **Sans Rival (Jpn)** (Rulership {Jpn}) also gave chase from the back of the pack in upper stretch. Bursting past Generale Uno, he strode away to win with authority. Sans Rival caught Generale Uno late for second with 1 3/4 lengths between them, while Stelvio (Jpn) was fourth, a neck farther back. Favoured **Wagnerian (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) did not muster his usual sharp turn of foot when the real running began and finished seventh in the 16-horse field.



Epoca d’Oro | Horsephotos

“I was able to place him as planned,” said Tosaki, who was winning his seventh JRA Group 1. “He established a good rhythm and responded well rounding the final corner. He’s a smart horse and is developing with each race. His powerful run today shows that he will have no problem handling the extra distance in the [G1] Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby).”

Third at first asking in a 1800-metre Kyoto newcomer affair on Oct. 9, Epoca d’Oro donned cap and gown cut back to a mile there on Jan. 21 and made it two on the bounce in Kokura’s Asunaro Sho upped to this trip on Feb. 10. He found **Stelvio (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) too good trying group company, in the G2 Fuji TV Sho Spring S. last out at Nakayama on Mar. 18.

***Pedigree Notes...***

Japanese Triple Crown winner and two-time G1 Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe runner-up Orfevre (Jpn) has already been represented by 2017 Japanese champion 2-year-old filly Lucky Lilac (Jpn), who was runner-up in the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) just last Sunday and G3 Sapporo Nisai S. winner Rock This Town (Jpn). Epoca d’Oro is the Shadai Stallion Station resident’s second top-flight winner and is the fifth runner and third winner from five foals to race for his Japanese multiple stakes-winning dam Daiwa Passion. [Cont. p17](#)

**G1 Satsuki Sho Cont.**

Under his third dam is GII Del Mar Invitational scorer Daros (GB) (Damister), who was third in the GI Oak Tree Invitational, while fourth dam Cairn Rouge (Ire) (Pitcairn {Ire}) captured the 1980 editions of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Champion S. **Click for the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).**

**Sunday, Nakayama, Japan**

**SATSUKI SHO (JAPANESE 2000 GUINEAS)-G1**, ¥245,530,000 (US\$2,287,725/£1,606,858/€1,854,465), Nakayama, 4-15, 3yo, c/f, 2000mT, 2:00.80, gd.

1--**EPOCA D'ORO (JPN)**, 126, c, 3, Orfevre (Jpn)

1st Dam: **Daiwa Passion (Jpn) (MSW-Jpn, \$869,344)**, by **Forty Niner**

2nd Dam: **Sun Rouge (Jpn)**, by **Shady Heights (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Tikanova**, by **Northern Dancer**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.**

(¥34,000,000 Wlg '15 JRHAJUL). O-Hidaka Breeders Union; B-Toru Tagami (Jpn); T-Hideaki Fujiwarae; J-Keita Tosaki; ¥134,871,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1. \*2nd G1SW for his sire (by Stay Gold {Jpn}). **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Sans Rival (Jpn)**, 126, c, 3, Rulership (Jpn)--Un Fil Rouge (Jpn), by Agnes Tachyon (Jpn). O-Kyoko Habata; B-Yasuyuki Saito (Jpn); ¥51,106,000.

3--**Generale Uno (Jpn)**, 126, c, 3, Screen Hero (Jpn)--Shanghai Rock (Jpn), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). O-G Riviere Racing; B-Shinsei Farm (Jpn); ¥31,553,000.

Margins: 2, 1 3/4, NK; Odds: 13.50, 23.60, 16.80.

Also Ran: Stelvio (Jpn), Kitano Commandeur (Jpn), Grail (Jpn), Wagnerian (Jpn), Aithon (Jpn), Gendarme, Time Flyer (Jpn), K T Clever (Jpn), Oken Moon (Jpn), Meiner Fanrong (Jpn), Double Sharp (Jpn), Jun Valerot (Jpn), Three Helios (Jpn).

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**Sunday, Hanshin, Japan**

**ANTARES S-G3**, ¥68,840,000 (US\$641,416/£450,519/€519,972), Hanshin, 4-15, 4yo/up, 1800m, 1:49.80, sy.

1--**GREAT PEARL (JPN)**, 126, h, 5, by **King Kamehameha (Jpn)**

1st Dam: **Fortune Word (Jpn)**, by **Dehere**

2nd Dam: **Copano Omamori (Jpn)**, by **Helissio (Fr)**

3rd Dam: **Victoria Crown (Jpn)**, by **Faberge (Fr)**

(¥30,000,000 Wlg '13 JRHAJUL). O-H H Sheikh Fahad; B-Chiyoda Farm (Jpn); T-Mitsumasa Nakauchida; J-Yuga Kawada; ¥36,588,000. Lifetime Record: 9-7-0-0. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).**

2--**Mitsuba (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, Kane Hekili (Jpn)--Saint Christmas (Jpn), by Commander in Chief (GB). O-Kyoei Inc.; B-Tabata

Farm (Jpn); ¥14,168,000.

3--**Queen's Saturn (Jpn)**, 123, h, 5, **Pyro--Keiai Bellona (Jpn)**, by Kurofune. O-Queen's Ranch Inc; B-Manabu Satake (Jpn); ¥9,084,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 1 1/4; Odds: 1.20, 7.90, 9.50.

Also Ran: Top Divo (Jpn), Yuranoto (Jpn), London Town (Jpn), Altair (Jpn), Namura Arashi (Jpn), My Tity (Jpn), Meisho Utage (Jpn), Dia Del Rey (Jpn), Meisho Sumitomo (Jpn), Cosmo Canadian (Jpn), Asukano Roman (Jpn), Mondo Intero (Jpn), Meiner Basara (Jpn).

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## AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

**IN HONG KONG:**

**Styling City (Aus)**, g, 2, **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**--Secret Liaison (Aus) (MSW & GSP-Aus, A\$424,005), by Artie Schiller. Sha Tin, 4-15, Griffin Race (A\$135k), 1000mT, :57.83. B-Hesket Bloodstock (Vic). \*1ST START WIN. \*\*Won by 6 1/2 lengths. \*\*\*A\$300,000 Ylg '17 INGEAS. **VIDEO**

**Fiama (Aus)**, g, 4, **Makfi (GB)**--Proud Hussey (Aus), by Hussonet. Sha Tin, 4-15, Hcp. (A\$215k), 1600mT, 1:35.97. B-Qatar Bloodstock (Vic). \*Formerly Ratoute Yutty (Aus). **VIDEO**

**Go Public (Aus)**, g, 4, Stratum (Aus)--Placement (NZ) (G1SP-Aus, A\$472,378), by Savabeel (Aus). Sha Tin, 4-15, Hcp. (A\$215k), 1400mT, 1:22.65. B-Widden Stud Australia Pty Ltd, Balmerino Racing Partnership Trust (NSW). \*1/2 to Berkshire Lady (Aus) (Star Witness {Aus}), SP-Aus. \*\*A\$38,000 RNA Ylg '15 INGMEL. **VIDEO**

**Prawn Baba (Aus)**, g, 5, **Duke of Marmalade (Ire)**--Countess of Tiba (Aus), by Second Empire (Ire). Sha Tin, 4-15, Hcp. (A\$305k), 2200mT, 2:13.47. B-G F Delsar (SA). \*Formerly Get the Dukes Out (Aus). \*\*A\$20,000 Ylg '14 MMADE; A\$35,000 2yo '14 MMGC2YO. **VIDEO**

**IN SINGAPORE:**

**Dinghu Mountain (Aus)**, g, 5, **Snitzel (Aus)**--Layette (Aus), by Thunder Gulch. Kranji, 4-15, Hcp. (A\$78k), 1200m (AWT), 1:11.92. B-N J R Werrett (NSW). \*A\$725,000 Ylg '14 INGEAS. **VIDEO**

**IN MACAU:**

**Bring Me Speed (Aus)**, g, 3, **Sebring (Aus)**--Jessica Rose (Aus), by Keep the Faith (Aus). Taipa, 4-14, Lisboa Challenge (A\$66k), 1500mT, 1:28.1. B-Konj Pty Ltd As Trustee for Collier Family Trust (NSW). \*1ST STAKES WIN. \*\*A\$67,500 RNA Ylg '16 INGEAS. **VIDEO**