



JUSTIFY, MAGNUM MOON, AND FLORIDA



Justify | Horsephotos

by Sid Fernando

Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's April Sale of 2-Year-Olds begins next week and it's a reminder that the Florida Thoroughbred industry in Ocala--and greater Marion County in Central Florida--made its name in its early years, in the 1950s, as the place to buy early maturing stock.

The unlimited supply of sunshine and limestone-rich soil helped produce tough horses. With 24-hour access to outdoors and no winters of note, Florida-breds started off with physiological advantages over their Northern counterparts.

Florida-breds frequently outran their pedigrees because of the land and the weather, but the ways in which they were raised tough and trained early seemed to put more speed into their pedigrees, too--even where stamina was evident. This held true from the beginnings of the 2-year-olds-in-training industry, when Carl Rose's 1940 German St. Leger winner Samurai (Oleander)--a spoils of war--put Rosemere Farm in Ocala on the map in the 1950s as a sire of early maturing stock. The stamina was evident in the 1980s, with Charlie DiLibero's prolific duo of An Eldorado (Vaguely Noble) and Lawmaker (Round Table) at DiLibero Farm in Citra. And even today, you see it in the young Irish Derby winner Treasure Beach (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) at Joseph and Helen Barbazon's Pleasant Acres in Morriston.

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BARTONS MORE THAN SPECTATORS AT OBS

by Jessica Martini

Longtime California owner Richard Barton, who consolidated his breeding operation at the former Magali Farms in Santa Ynez last summer, purchased over 30 mares at the 2015 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale with the intention of supporting his family's stallion Champ Pegasus. One of those mares was Diva's Tribute (Henny Hughes), who Barton purchased for \$4,700.

Then five, the unraced mare had a weanling filly by Jimmy Creed and she sold in foal to Strong Mandate. The filly went on to become graded stakes winner and multiple Grade I placed Spectator, while the Strong Mandate colt will go through the sales ring as **hip 281** during Tuesday's opening session of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's April Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds. **Cont. p6**

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Zarkamiya (Fr) (Frankel {GB}), pictured above as a foal with her dam, MG1W European Horse of the Year Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar) at Haras de Saint Crespin, enjoyed odds-on favoritism at Longchamp on Thursday and did not disappoint her supporters with a decisive success. [Click here](#) to watch her 'TDN Rising Star' performance and see TDN Europe/International for story. | Zuzanna Lupa

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TAKING STOCK

by Sid Fernando



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And how about when speed sires were involved? Aisco Stable's brilliant sprinter Mr. Prospector and his miler son Fappiano, a John Nerud homebred whose influence on the Classics is constant, are the best examples.

Change is a constant in life and in the Thoroughbred industry, but it's particularly evident in Florida. From 2007 to 2016, The Jockey Club stats indicate the annual foal crop in Florida has declined 54%, from 4,367 foals to 2,026. Major farms have disappeared or are disappearing—not a new trend but something that's been common throughout the state's relatively young history of spurts of growth and decline. The impact of Florida on the breed at large, however, has been consistently visible, from before Dr. Fager to after Affirmed and in between, and it is evident in the female families of the two major Kentucky Derby contenders, Scat Daddy's **Justify** and Malibu Moon's **Magnum Moon**. Ironically, both were unraced at two and will be on a change-making mission to become the first Derby winner since Apollo in 1882 to have not raced as a juvenile. The sires of both, incidentally, were produced from daughters of Mr. Prospector.

Justify

Justify's third dam is Florida-bred sprinter Voodoo Lily, a daughter of Baldski out of Cap the Moment, by For the Moment. She won the six-furlong GIII Columbia S. (now the Safely Kept) at Laurel and five of 18 starts altogether for earnings of \$250,370. She was bred by two Florida stalwarts, Farnsworth Farms and Gerald Robins. Farnsworth, which won an Eclipse Award for leading breeder of 1996, was founded in Ocala in the early 1960s by the father-son duo of Isidore and Mike Sherman and stood Baldski, a son of Nijinsky and a half-brother to the top 12-furlong horse Exceller. The breeder of more than 200 stakes winners, Farnsworth also bred Cap the Moment, Justify's fourth dam. Mike Sherman closed the operation in the mid-2000s.



Justify | Zoe Metz

Robins raced For the Moment, a Grade I winner at two and three and a brother to Honest Pleasure, also a Grade I winner at two and three. Both were bred by the Sams family's Waldemar Farms near Williston and were sired by the farm's flagship Bold Ruler stallion What a Pleasure. The latter led the general sire list in 1975 and 1976 and had also sired the Waldemar-bred Kentucky Derby winner Foolish Pleasure. In partnership with Tim Sams of Waldemar, Robins bred the Fappiano colt Tasso, with whom he won the 1985 Breeders' Cup Juvenile by a nose from Storm Cat. Tasso was later named 2-year-old champion.

Waldemar, by the way, is now Gil and Marilyn Campbell's Stonehedge Farm South, where the top Florida sire Sword Dance (Ire), another son of Nijinsky, stood his entire career. The Campbells are top state breeders but like many in Florida they have cut back their operation—including the standing of stallions—in recent years. It's notable that Gil Campbell bred Songbird's dam, Grade II winner Ivanavinalot, and stood her unraced Forty Niner sire West Acre during headier times.

Magnum Moon

Magnum Moon's third dam, Win Crafty Lady, was another graded stakes-winning Florida-bred sprinter. By Crafty Prospector from Honeytab, by Al Hattab, Win Crafty Lady was bred by Estelle Sands and James H. Iselin and won the six-furlong GIII Interborough Breeders' Cup H. on the inner track at Aqueduct and overall eight of 25 starts and \$303,844.

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Win Crafty Lady got her speed and toughness from Crafty Prospector, a freaky Florida-bred son of Mr. Prospector who Jimmy Iselin had trained to win seven of 10 starts. The colt was a sprinter-miler who'd been plagued by unsoundness, and though he never won a stakes race, he was second in the GI Gulfstream Park H. and earned his ticket to stud. He began his career at Steve and Gary Wolfson's Happy Valley Farm near Ocala. The Wolfson brothers were sons of Harbor View's Louis Wolfson--the breeder and owner of Florida-bred Triple Crown winner Affirmed.

With the aid of his pedigree and the Florida environment, Crafty Prospector prospered right off the bat, getting fast and tough racehorses like Win Crafty Lady. His sire had also started his career in Florida at

Butch Savin's Aisco Stable, and by the time Crafty Prospector was enjoying success, Mr. Prospector had already left for Kentucky and was one of the most prepotent stallions at Claiborne. The Wolfson brothers had played a part in Mr. Prospector's early success, too, as breeders of his first-crop filly It's in the Air, the Eclipse champion 2-year-old filly of 1978. And Louis Wolfson had raced Mr. Prospector's sire, Raise a Native, so the fit at Happy Valley for Crafty Prospector was a natural one. Crafty Prospector's success created demand and he later followed his sire to Kentucky where he stood at Fred Seitz's Brookdale Farm. Happy Valley Farm is now defunct, but the property still operates as Jimmy "J.J." Crupi's Crupi's New Castle Farm--a top outfit for preparing young horses.



Magnum Moon | Coady photo

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This consistent pattern of success, failure, and rebirth is jarringly common in Florida, much like the high volatility index in the stock market these days. A lack of trading volume can highlight volatility in the markets, and it's probably the cause of it in Florida, where lower foal crops affect industry stability at all levels but most especially the stud farms.

Win Crafty Lady had raced for owners Joseph and Winnie Greeley. A year after the mare was retired in 1993, they bought a 147-acre farm in northwest Marion County named Ravenbrook Farm and renamed it Sabine Stable.

Sabine was a successful commercial boutique operation that followed a diversified business plan of breeding and pinhooking that kept it hedged from the vagaries of Florida's economy. On the breeding end, it patronized commercial Kentucky sires, which meant foaling mares in Kentucky before breeding there. The mares were sent back to Florida with their foals afterwards, and the foals got the benefit of being raised in Florida--but with bigger pedigrees attached to them. Win Crafty Lady became the foundation of Sabine's commercial operation, and her first notable foal was the Kentucky-bred Dehere colt Graeme Hall, a multiple Grade II winner of \$1,147,441 who cost Canadian Eugene Melnyk \$200,000 at the 1998 Keeneland September sale.

The mare's next foal was the Kentucky-bred Hennessy filly Harmony Lodge, and she also was bought by Melnyk, for \$1.65 million as a Fasig-Tipton February 2-year-old of 2000. Harmony Lodge won the GI Ballerina S. and earned \$851,120. Sabine Stable ran until Joseph Greeley died in 2013. The property was sold in 2016 and is being used for ponies now.

Sabine's link to Magnum Moon continued with Win Crafty Lady's eighth foal, Win McCool, a Kentucky-bred daughter of recently deceased Giant's Causeway. Win McCool is Magnum Moon's second dam. The Greeleys had retained and raced her, and Win McCool, like her dam, was a sprinter. She won the six-furlong GIII Floral Park H. and earned \$218,982.

Postscript

Eugene Melnyk stood Graeme Hall at his 1,000-acre Winding Oaks Farm, which encompasses some of Ocala's richest history. Melnyk bought the farm in 2001 from Harry Mangurian and put Phil Hronec, who'd been running John Franks's place, in charge. Hronec is managing the property as a boarding entity now, while Melnyk is in the process of developing it commercially. When I met Hronec in March, the first trees by the office at the entrance to the farm on SR 200 had been leveled to clear the way for a Jaguar/Land Rover dealership. **Cont. p6**

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Melnyk and Hronec enjoyed a great run together at what was formerly Mangurian's Mockingbird Farm. The latter was established in the early 1970s on 300 acres abutting Tartan Farms, and Magurian eventually absorbed 700 acres of Tartan when that famed operation closed. Hronec gave me a tour of the property, which includes the Tartan/Mockingbird graveyard where Dr. Fager and other notables rest. Only about 300 acres of the current property, including the training track, will be used for horses, Hronec said, when everything is said and done.

Hronec said Melnyk had tried to sell the property whole but didn't get the price he'd wanted and had settled on commercially developing the land himself.

A few miles away as the crow flies is Glen Hill Farm, another notable nursery that was established in the 1960s by Leonard Lavin. Lavin's grandson Craig Bernick now runs the farm, although Bernick has tweaked its mode of operation. Glen Hill, like Sabine, breeds its mares mostly to Kentucky stallions-- Bernick and his mother own Elevage Bloodstock, a minor shareholder in Curlin--and the mares, because of economies of scale, are foaled in Kentucky instead of Florida. Bernick also buys yearlings now to develop as potential broodmares. On a recent tour of Glen Hill, I saw young stock by War Front, Into Mischief, Australia (GB), and a number of other high-powered sires.

I also saw a lot of high-powered people on the farm when Bernick hosted his annual crawfish boil after a day of selling at OBS March. The party was held poolside next to a pristine mid-century modern house where Lavin had lived, and the guests included Walker Hancock, Alex Solis II, Kip Elser, Wesley Ward, Boyd Browning, Tom Ryan, Mike Wallace, Brad Weisbord, Hubert Guy, Charlie O'Connor, Gatewood Bell, Headley Bell, Jack Wolf, etc. The 2-year-olds at OBS had drawn them to Ocala. It's still the destination at this time of year and its influence cannot be ignored.

Bartons More Than Spectators at OBS cont. from p1



Hip 281 | Tibor Szlavik

"We were excited about Strong Mandate and wanted to have a few from his first crop," Barton's daughter and racing manager Kate explained of the mare's appeal. "And we did really like that she was by Henny Hughes. It fit our program to bring her out to California to breed her to our stallion Champ Pegasus. It turned out nicely."

The plan was originally to sell the colt as a yearling, but some setbacks which now seem fortuitous saw him rerouted to the 2-year-old sales.

"When we were doing yearling evaluations last year, we really liked the colt," Barton, whose father is founder of the cardboard packaging company California Packaging, said. "We were going to enter him in the summer for the July sale at Fasig-Tipton and we just had a few little setbacks with him, so we decided to wait with him. And then Spectator made her debut and so we were definitely waiting then."

Racing for breeders Rick and Sharon Waller, Spectator began her career with a 5 1/4-length debut romp at Santa Anita in June. She won by that same margin when taking the GII Sorrento S. in her second trip to the post at Del Mar in August. She concluded her juvenile campaign with a third-place finish in the GI Del Mar Debutante and was most recently second in the Apr. 7 GI Santa Anita Oaks.

Hip 281, who has been with Niall Brennan in Ocala since last September, worked a furlong in :10 1/5 during Tuesday's second session of the under-tack preview of the April sale.

"I was really happy with his work," Barton said. "I was thinking he would work :10 flat or :10 1/5, so he did really well. He's a big horse, so you have to take that into consideration. I've heard such great things about him from Niall. He thinks he will continue to improve and he will be better on dirt. He said he was a really good, smooth honest colt." **Cont. p7**

Bartons More Than Spectators at OBS cont.

The Bartons have enjoyed success purchasing mares on a strict budget in Kentucky and shipping them west to California. The family’s 35 purchases at the 2015 November sale averaged just \$5,463 and the highest-priced purchase was \$25,000.

“When we are bringing out these mares and foaling these Kentucky-sired Cal-breds, I think we have an advantage in the marketplace here because people are looking at these Kentucky sires that are eligible for the state-bred bonus program,” Barton said. “So that’s an advantage for us. And we’re maybe able to get away with a little bit of a weaker page or what-have-you. I think with the sheer numbers that we do have, we are bound to get lucky with a few updates here and there. And a few times we’ve gotten lucky with some good updates like Spectator.”

Diva’s Tribute produced a filly by Champ Pegasus in 2017 and a colt by the stallion, who stands at Barton Thoroughbreds for \$5,000, this year. Spectator’s success prompted a return trip to the Bluegrass for the mare.

“The mare is back in Lexington,” Barton said. “She is going back to Jimmy Creed.”

As for future plans for Diva’s Tribute, Barton continued, “It would be nice to continue to have a mare like that in our band since she’s only eight. But I can’t say for sure what we are going to do yet. It depends on the rest of the year. We are just really excited to have her right now.”

The Barton broodmare band numbers some 200 head and most of the sales horses are offered at the yearlings auctions. The family branched out in the juvenile market for the first time this year. In addition to the Strong Mandate colt at OBS, Barton Thoroughbreds offered a handful of 2-year-olds at the Barretts Spring Sale.

“This is the first year we’ve had horses in the 2-year-old sales,” Barton said. “We normally just focus on the yearling sales. Especially with the Strong Mandate colt, it was a timing issue. It was hard to find the right sale when he was ready and we wanted to give the colt the ultimate chance to succeed.

“At Barretts, we just wanted to try it out and see if we could get Champ Pegasus babies out to other people and give them a chance to show themselves on the training track,” she continued. “The results were ok. It was one of those things where we didn’t know if we would keep the horses ourselves or sell them and we ended up putting through the sale the more precocious ones. I think it was a learning experience. We’ll maybe have to change how we evaluate in the future to sell there.”

Barton said the family’s new base in Santa Ynez has helped move the breeding program forward.

“It has been great,” she said of the new farm. “It is so nice to have a centralized operation and I think it will help to improve

our evaluation of our babies through their different stages where we can look at them weekly or monthly and it’s not a big to-do. It’s been great to have everything in one spot.”

Shanghai Bobby, Uncaptured Fillies Fastest at OBS

The start of Thursday’s fourth session of the under-tack preview of the OBS April sale was delayed by fog and was hampered by headwinds which increased in intensity throughout the day. A filly by Shanghai Bobby earned the furlong bullet time of :9 4/5. Consigned by Julie Davies, **hip 636** is out of stakes-placed Maria’s Dance (Maria’s Mon), a half to the dam of Grade I winner Ascend (Candy Ride {Arg}). Bred by Sally Andersen in Florida, the dark bay filly RNA’d for \$42,000 at last year’s OBS October Sale and for \$52,000 at the Keeneland September sale.

A filly by Uncaptured set the day’s fastest quarter-mile time of :20 4/5. Consigned by Blue River Bloodstock, **hip 668** is out of the unraced Mine Legend (Mineshaft), a daughter of stakes-placed North Park Legend (Affirmed). Sergio Centeno’s Blue River Bloodstock purchased the dark bay filly for \$27,000 at last year’s OBS October sale.

The under-tack show continues through Saturday with sessions beginning daily at 8 a.m. The OBS April sale will be held next Tuesday through Friday.

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Jenda's Agenda | Coady Photo

'**TDN Rising Star**' Jenda's Agenda (Proud Citizen) looks to increase her career record to five-for-six while making her first graded stakes start in Friday's GIII Doubledogdare S. at Keeneland. Bred and owned by trainer Larry Jones and wife Cindy when she romped by 6 1/4 lengths first out at Fair Grounds last January, the daughter of MGSW Just Jenda (Menifee) was bought into by Rick Porter's Fox Hill Farm before adding two more tallies at three, including Laurel's Caesar's Wish S. that March. Subsequently sidelined due to bone bruising, the bay was second to a very in-form foe when cut back to a sprint in New Orleans Feb. 1, but she returned to winning ways back at two turns in Hot Springs Mar. 17. "She has done well since her race at Oaklawn and done well here," Larry Jones said. "Friday will be her first start in a graded stakes, so hopefully we can move onward and upward."

Another '**Rising Star**' looking to break through at the graded level is Stonestreet homebred Valadorna (Curlin). A close second in the 2016 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, the Mark Casse pupil hasn't yet quite reached the heights she seemed like she might at that point. She became a stakes winner in the Tiffany Lass S. at Fair Grounds on Dec. 26, but faded to sixth in the GIII Houston Ladies Classic S. a month or so later.

Well Humored (Distorted Humor) is three-for-three on dirt, and stepped up markedly on the Beyer Speed Figure scale when she earned a 93 in defeating Tapa Tapa Tapa (Tapit) in Tampa's Wayward Lass S. last time out Jan. 20.

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INJECTION DISCLOSURES LOOM AS MANDATORY FOR CLAIMED CALI HORSES

By T.D. Thornton

Although a mandatory transfer of full veterinary records for claimed horses isn't likely to happen soon, the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) outlined plans Apr. 19 for a proposed new rule that would require a record of intra-articular injections to be passed from a previous owner to a new owner whenever a horse gets claimed.

The CHRB had been poised to take a first pass Thursday at advancing a rule pertaining to the transfer of "all existing veterinary medical records" for claimed horses. But after hearing input from trainers and veterinarians at a separate committee meeting earlier this week, the board opted to streamline that initiative to include only records of joint injections. Commissioner Madeline Auerbach said this compromise version of the new rule would likely surface on the agenda for the May CHRB meeting.

"We really did narrow the scope of what we were doing initially," Auerbach said. "And what we are looking for is a methodology, a mechanism, of when a horse is claimed...that the records of injections will follow that horse's claim."



Madeline Auerbach | Benoit

Auerbach added that a "last 30 days" record of injections is what could be proposed when the new rule comes up for vote.

Alan Balch, executive director of the California Thoroughbred Trainers, said that "we certainly agree with the urgency of getting this done," so long as input from veterinarians is factored into the CHRB's decision.

Auerbach agreed, adding that "based on my discussion with a lot of the different vets, they see no issue in us making that narrow [a scope of] information available at this time without further study." **Cont. p9**

CHRB cont.

CHRB equine medical director Rick Arthur, DVM, said “the point is, we’re going to try to develop something that’s simple and reasonable that provides information that protects the health and welfare of the horse.”

Separately, a related rule-making vote that could preclude horses from racing within five days of receiving any intra-articular injection was postponed Thursday because only four CHRB members were in attendance. The full CHRB board is supposed to consist of seven commissioners, but only six right now have been appointed (Chuck Winner and Jesse Choper were absent).

The CHRB advanced by a 4-0 vote a proposed rule amendment that, if adopted after a 45-day public comment period, will now require the scratch of any newly gelded Thoroughbred if the change isn’t announced to the public before start of that day’s wagering.

The CHRB has been dealing with the issue of unannounced

and/or unreported geldings for several years now. The current version of the rule, amended in 2017, states that any trainer who fails to report to the racing office the gelding of a horse be fined a mandatory minimum of \$1,000. However, a loophole exists whereby the trainer might report the gelding properly, but racing officials, for whatever reason, might fail to communicate this change to the public, thus depriving them of pertinent betting information.

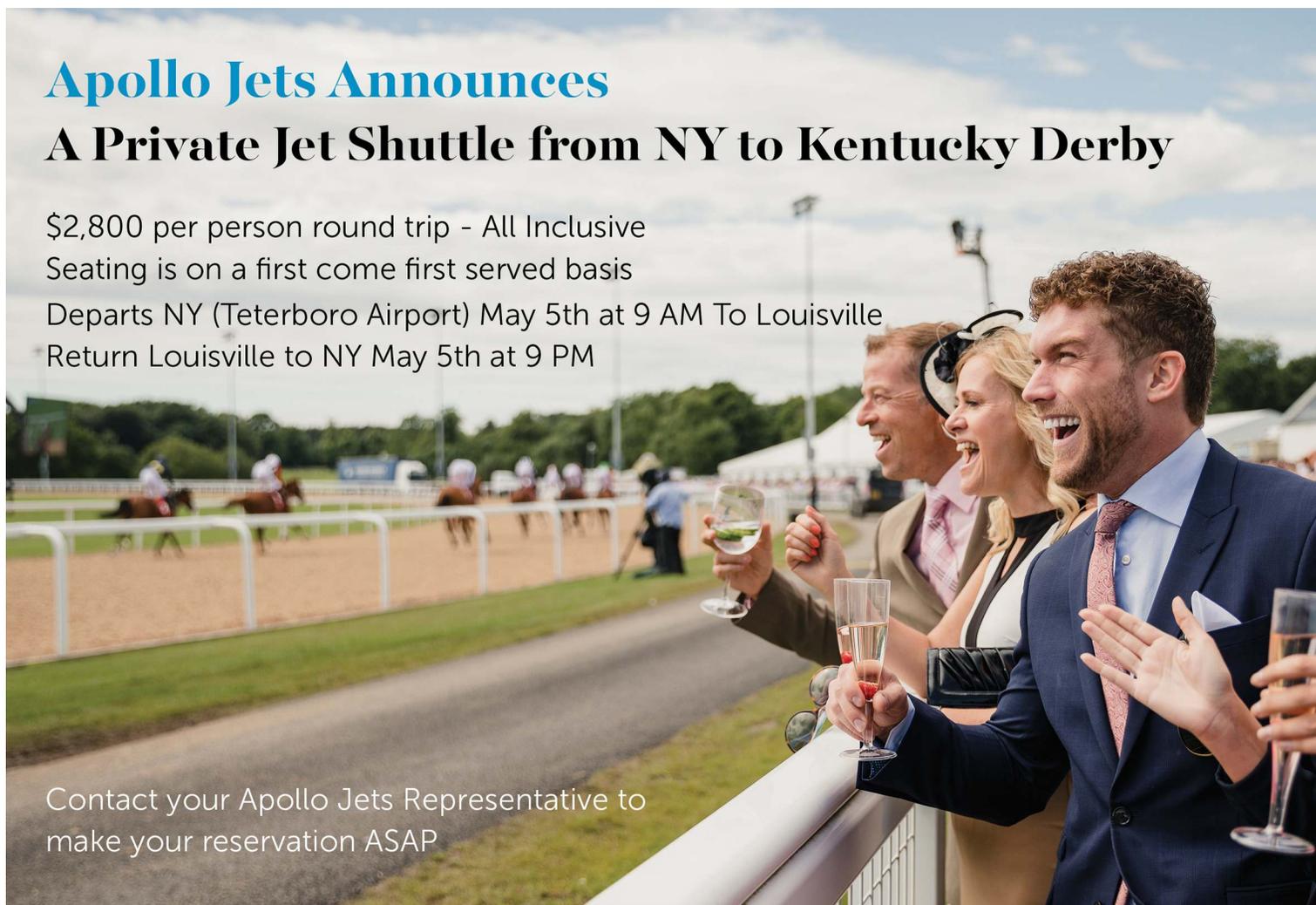
“The history of this rule was that the board a couple of years ago increased the fine to \$1,000, and the intent of that was to hopefully eliminate these situations where a change was not made known to the public,” explained CHRB executive director Rick Baedeker. “But now that the horse is going to be scratched if the public is not aware [that it has been gelded], there’s no longer a need for the specific minimum \$1,000 fine.”

To clarify, CHRB members stated that this rule won’t apply to first-time starters (because first-timers have no established statistical form that could be affected). **Cont. p10**

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A 45-day public comment period now precedes a vote on this issue by the board to make these changes official. Until then, the existing version of the rule remains in effect.

The CHRB also advanced to the public comment stage by a 4-0 vote a proposed rule that would require trainers and assistant trainers to complete 12 hours of continuing education (CE) course work over a three-year period as a condition of licensure starting in 2020.

The development of how the program would work is just now being planned, but the bulk of the requirements would likely be able to be satisfied by online participation in “modules” that the CHRB could either compile on its own or outsource from existing entities. New York and Indiana have initiated similar programs (with varying degrees of participation success), and CHRB members said making the course work dually available in Spanish would be a priority.

“The real issue is getting trainers accustomed to the fact--as lawyers, veterinarians and physicians are--that CE is part of their professional responsibility,” said Arthur. “So it is a paradigm change.”

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GII Louisiana Derby runner-up Lone Sailor (Majestic Warrior) fired a five-furlong bullet in :57.60 (1/19) at Churchill Downs Thursday morning in preparation for the GI Kentucky Derby May 5. | Coady

KY DOWNS INCREASES STAKES PURSES & ADDS NEW STAKES RACE



Veteran turfster Hogy winning the 2017 KYD Turf Sprint | Reed Palmer

Kentucky Downs will offer a record \$10 million in purses and Kentucky Thoroughbred Development Fund supplements at its five-date meet, which begins Sept. 1, with all 13 existing stakes getting increases, as well as, the creation of the \$500,000 Kentucky Downs Juvenile Turf Sprint.

The Juvenile Turf Sprint, to be held Sept. 8, is designed as a prep for the new \$1 million Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint to be held Nov. 2 at Churchill Downs. The new race, with \$250,000 of its \$500,000 purse available only to Kentucky-bred and -sired horses through the KTDF, will be run at 6 1/2 furlongs.

The Kentucky Downs Juvenile and the Exacta Systems Juvenile Fillies were stretched in distance from seven furlongs to a mile. Those races are Sept. 1 and go from \$350,000 to \$400,000, including KTDF money.

“We have witnessed the rise in the importance of turf racing in America, as evidenced by the Breeders’ Cup adding the Juvenile Turf Sprint, so we want to mirror that trend,” said Ted Nicholson, Kentucky Downs’ senior vice president and general manager. “We believe the Juvenile Turf Sprint will be a home run for the Breeders’ Cup in its first year, and it made sense for us to provide a logical pathway to that race.

“One of our goals is to be complementary to the great turf stakes at Keeneland and the Breeders’ Cup races at Churchill Downs. We see it as a terrific opportunity for horses to run at Kentucky Downs, Keeneland and Churchill Downs, never having to leave the Commonwealth as the international spotlight shines on our racetracks.”

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KY Downs cont.

The GIII Calumet Farm Kentucky Turf Cup Sept. 8 was bumped from \$600,000 to \$750,000 and the Sept. 1 Tourist Mile's purse was increased from \$400,000 to \$750,000. Both races offer \$400,000 in base purses plus an additional \$350,000 in KTDF money. The GIII Kentucky Downs Turf Sprint and GIII Kentucky Downs Ladies Turf were raised to \$500,000, from \$400,000 and \$350,000, respectively. The GIII Kentucky Downs Ladies Sprint, which is being run as a graded event for the first time this year is now \$450,000 as opposed to \$350,000 last term.

The track is also offering four \$100,000 races held under starter-allowance conditions Sept. 9 to serve as preps for the Claiming Crown late in the year at Gulfstream Park. The races (two apiece for males and for females at 6 1/2 furlongs and a mile and 70 yards) are for horses who have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less since Jan. 1, 2017. The winners receive an automatic spot in the associated Claiming Crown event and up to \$1,000 for shipping to Florida.

The enhancements are made possible by the success of Kentucky Downs' historical horse-racing operation. In addition, Kentucky Downs is transferring \$2.4 million in purses and KTDF money to Ellis Park in an arrangement approved by the Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association. The deal includes creating four \$100,000 turf stakes Aug. 5 for a Kentucky Downs Preview Day positioned as launching pads to their corresponding Kentucky Downs race.

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NYRA & MSG NETWORKS EXTEND CONTRACT

The New York Racing Association and MSG Networks announced a multi-year extension of their long-standing agreement for MSGN's telecast of NYRA's racing programming, including their flagship 'live' shows. With this agreement in place, MSG+ will continue to be the regional home for all NYRA racing.

In 2018, MSGN's coverage of NYRA racing will expand to include 225 hours of live racing and analysis, including all 40 days of Saratoga Live. With the addition of select Aqueduct Live shows, beginning with a special Charles Town Classic show Apr. 21, MSGN expects to air 105 Live shows over the remainder of 2018, an increase the 97 live shows aired in 2017. In addition, NYRA programming will also be available on MSG GO, MSGN's live streaming and video on demand platform for smartphones, tablets and computers.

"MSG Networks is proud to extend its agreement with our long-term partner, the New York Racing Association," said Jeff Filippi, senior vice president of programming and production, and executive producer, MSG Networks. "Horse racing fans can

once again look forward to extensive live coverage from three of America's premiere racing venues."

Hosted by Greg Wolf, MSGN's broadcasts feature will include commentary and analysis from a combination NYRA personalities including Paul LoDuca, Maggie Wolfendale, Andy Serling, Gabby Gaudet and Larry Collmus.

"Sports fans trust that MSG is committed to providing consistent coverage from NYRA tracks," said Tony Allevato, Executive Producer for NYRA TV and NYRA Bets President. "The strength of the NYRA/MSG relationship has allowed us to adapt and evolve the format of our shows to meet the needs and expectations of viewers. We thank our partners at MSG for ensuring that the best racing in the country will also be the most accessible."

Live racing from Belmont Park will return to MSG Plus Apr. 28 and MSGN will telecast 44 Belmont Park Live shows. On Wednesday, June 6, Belmont Park Live will present a half hour special to preview the 150th running of the Belmont Stakes on Saturday, June 9.

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**CHURCHILL ANNOUNCES NEW DERBY WEEK SECURITY MEASURES**

Churchill Downs will institute new entry procedures that will be in effect for guests visiting the track any day of Kentucky Derby Week, starting Saturday, April 28 through Derby day May 5. The track launched KentuckyDerbyParking.com to help visitors plan their arrival.

"Churchill Downs has invested heavily to improve the arrival and entry experience for all our guests and employees. We want to ensure a safe and secure environment, while helping people get in and out of the venue as efficiently as possible," said Churchill President Kevin Flanery. "We encourage everyone joining us for Derby Week to visit KentuckyDerbyParking.com so you know exactly what to expect before you get to the track."

New entry procedures include: all guest passing through a metal detector; prohibited items (which are listed on kentuckyderbyparking.com); self-scanning entry turnstiles; no reentry; secondary ticket scanning and official wristbands for certain sections; and quick entry lanes for guests with no bags. The track has released a video to inform guests on what to expect, which can be viewed [here](#).

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ARLINGTON TO AIR TV SERIES ON NBC SPORTS CHICAGO

Kicking off its second season Apr. 21, Arlington International Racecourse will present Good Day Arlington on NBC Sports Chicago. Hosted by Howard Sudberry and Alyssa Ali, the 30-minute show will air at 11:00 a.m. on 23 Saturdays from Apr. 21 through Sept. 22.

"Howard is familiar to Chicago viewers from his years of covering the Chicago sports scene and his experience gives him a unique perspective on Chicago sports and also on Thoroughbred horse racing," said Arlington General Manager Tony Petrillo. "Alyssa has national television experience, a great social media following, and as the daughter of a trainer she is a racing expert. Howard and Alyssa also have a great chemistry and that helps makes this show fun to watch."

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MID-ATLANTIC BREEDERS JOIN MATCH SERIES

The revival of the MATCH Series (Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred Championships) gained further momentum Thursday when the region's breeders organizations announced they will pay bonuses to the breeder of the highest point earning colt/gelding and filly/mare from each program.

The Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association, Maryland Horse Breeders Association, Thoroughbred breeders Association of New Jersey and Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program will each offer \$10,000 in bonuses, with the breeder of the top point-earning male and female from each program receiving a \$5,000 bonus.

"I am delighted that we have been able to bring our breeders into the Series and showcase our bred-fund programs", said Series creator Alan Foreman. "In our efforts to revive the Series, we wanted everyone in the region to be able to participate. This is a wonderful step for the Series and something we hope we can build on in future years, including competition among the Programs".

The MATCH Series, which returns May 18 at Pimlico after a 16-year hiatus, is the industry's first and only regional championship competition. Horses will compete in stakes races in five different divisions throughout the region from mid-May through mid-September, with the horses competing for just under \$3 million in purses and earning points for their order of finish. Owners and trainers will compete for \$450,000 in bonuses, with bonuses being paid for the winners of each division and the overall championship.

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HUNDREDS TURN OUT FOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER AT SANTA ANITA *by Jonathan Murrietta*

Rafael Bejarano, who recently recovered from a wrist injury, was one of hundreds of people who showed up to the benefit pancake breakfast held by Santa Anita Thursday to help support Adrian Valenzuela who suffered a spinal cord injury in March.

"I am wishing him the best," Bejarano said. "I've been talking with him on Facebook and he is sounding very positive. I talked with him yesterday and he said, 'Thanks be to God that I feel better every day.'"

Added Bejarano, "I sent him pictures [of the pancake breakfast] to say we support him. He was very happy."

The Santa Anita backside parking lot was full and there was a line stretching around Clockers' Corner as racetrackers eagerly awaited their pancakes. A camera crew from CBS 2 Los Angeles and broadcaster Jim Hill of Sports Central, captured the crowd and festivities. The breakfast was accompanied by a raffle and live auction, moderated by Michelle Yu. A table with a bevy of raffle and auction items, including a TV, a drone, hats, and racetrack memorabilia, was set up at Clockers' Corner. A picture of Secretariat coming down the stretch in the Kentucky Derby signed by Ron Turcotte went for \$400. All the proceeds go to Valenzuela.

"We raised a lot of money and we saw a lot of people come out," said Santa Anita Vice President of Racing Rick Hammerle, organizer of the event.

Jockey Mike Smith, attending the event said, "What's great about the racetrack is it's one huge family, someone gets hurt and everyone comes out to support."

Silent Auction items for the Adrian Valenzuela fund are still available online [here](#). The silent auction will conclude this Sunday, April 22, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

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OCALA FARM MINISTRY "CALL TO THE POST" AUCTION SET FOR APR. 22

Ocala Farm Ministry will host its annual "Call to the Post" auction Sunday, Apr. 22 in the ITW Building at OBS at 5:30 p.m. ET. Among the items up for auction this year include, seven Golden Ocala summer memberships, a Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale package, four GI Belmont S. tickets, halters worn by Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) and Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}); and live auction items that include a Jack Russell puppy, four Yankees tickets and tickets to the Rockefeller Plaza tree lighting in November.

For more information, call Stephanie Brennan at 352-427-8540; or Jacqui de Meric at 352-843-0456. Tickets to the event are available at \$100 per person or \$800 per table.

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SPECIAL AQU/CT PICK 4 FOR SATURDAY

The New York Racing Association will team up with Charles Town to host a Cross Country Pick 4 Apr. 21, featuring races at Aqueduct and Charles Town, highlighted by the \$1.2 million GII Charles Town Classic.

The sequence is as follows:

Leg 1 - Charles Town, Race 10: Dance with Bristol (5:04 p.m.)

Leg 2 - Aqueduct, Race 8: New York-bred allowance (5:17)

Leg 3 - Charles Town, Race 11: GII Charles Town Classic (5:36)

Leg 4 - Aqueduct, Race 9: NYSS Park Avenue (5:49)

The minimum bet for the multi-track, multi-race wager is 50 cents. Wagering on the Cross Country Pick 4 is also available on track, on ADW platforms, and at simulcast facilities across the country.

FOX Sports Saturday At The Races, set to air on FS2 from 4-6 p.m., will offer live coverage and analysis of the Charles Town Classic, along with coverage of stakes action at Aqueduct. Gabby Gaudet will provide on-site coverage throughout the day from Charles Town.

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CDIF TO HOLD 50/50 RAFFLES DURING DERBY WEEK

Churchill Downs Incorporated Foundation will hold three separate 50/50 charitable gaming raffle drawings to be held during Kentucky Derby week, one drawing on Thurby, Oaks day and Derby day. Participants will have the chance to win half of that day's raffle sales, with the other half going toward the CDIF to support its charitable initiatives, including Thoroughbred aftercare, arts and educational opportunities for backside employees and breast and ovarian cancer research and prevention. CDIF will guarantee a minimum \$50,000 pool for the Derby day raffle. Tickets for each raffle may be purchased anytime from now until the raffle days at www.DerbyGives.com.

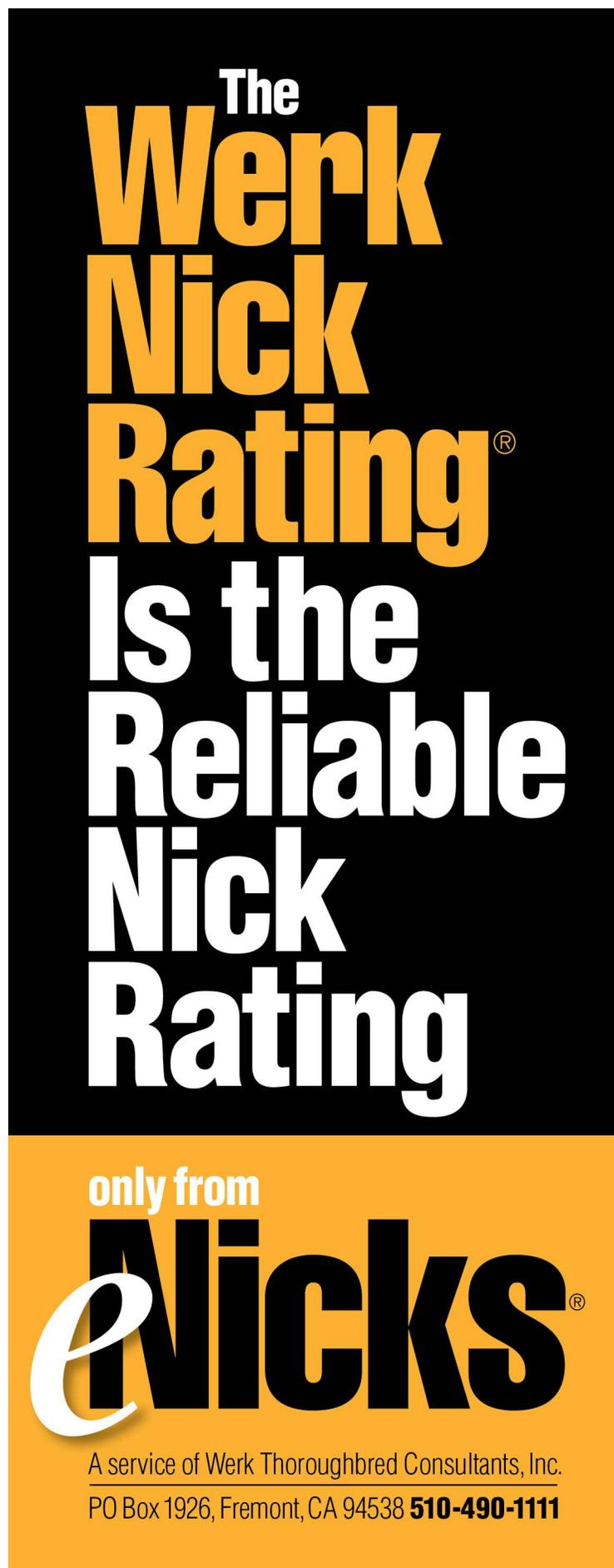
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RRP TEAM COMPETITION DEADLINE EXTENDED

Retired Racehorse Project has extended its application deadline for the Starting Gate Consulting Team Competition to May 4. The team competition was announced in March, but in order to give more teams the opportunity to participate, the deadline for applications has recently been extended to May 4.

The team competition will allow members of Pony Clubs and collegiate, high school and show stable teams to collaborate in transitioning a horse off the track, under their coach or trainer's guidance. It will also allow those considering entering the Thoroughbred Makeover as individuals in the future to experience the process without committing to acquire a horse of their own.

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Friday, Keeneland, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

HILLIARD LYONS DOUBLEDODGARE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Song of Spring	Spring At Last	Stoneway Farm	Howard	Rosario	12-1
2	Mines and Magic	Mineshaft	G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.	Oliver	Albarado	6-1
3	Girl Talk 🐾	Medaglia d'Oro	Rock Ridge Racing LLC	Stewart	Bridgmohan	15-1
4	Promise of Spring	Drosselmeyer	Best Of Times Racing, LLC	Margolis	Saez	12-1
5	Ministry	Ordained	Starfish Stable LLC	Gonzalez	Pompell	15-1
6	Apologynotaccepted	Fusaichi Pegasus	Mrs. Paul Shanahan	Walsh	Leparoux	10-1
7	Jenda's Agenda	Proud Citizen	Cindy & J. Larry Jones & Fox Hill Farms, Inc.	Jones	Geroux	5-1
8	Julerette	Successful Appeal	Katherine G. Ball	Colebrook	Lanerie	10-1
9	Valadorna	Curlin	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Casse	Hernandez, Jr.	7-2
10	Not Now Carolyn	Tapit	Big Chief Racing, LLC, Don't Tell My Wife Stables, Rocker O Ranch, LLC & Desormeaux	Desormeaux	Stevens	20-1
11	Well Humored 🐾	Distorted Humor	WinStar Stablemates Racing LLC	Delacour	Ortiz	6-1
12	Tapa Tapa Tapa	Tapit	Beau Ravine LLC	Hamm	Graham	8-1
13	Someday Soon	Proud Citizen	Estate of Tommy G. Ligon	Van Meter	Santana, Jr.	20-1

Breeders: 1-Susan Casner, 2-G. Watts Humphrey Jr., Susie Keller, Vicki Oliver & G. Watts Humphrey III, 3-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & Louise Ireland Humphrey Revocable Trust - 2008, 4-Bottom Line Stables Inc., Rowland Hancock & Dick Walker, 5-Arthur Hall & C. F. Newman, 6-Happy Alter, 7-Larry & Cindy Jones, 8-Mike & Katherine Ball, 9-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 10-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 11-WinStar Farm, LLC, 12-Patricia Pavlish, 13-Tommy G. Ligon

Saturday, Hollywood Casino At Charles Town Races, post time: 5:36 p.m. EDT

CHARLES TOWN CLASSIC S.-GII, \$1,200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fear the Cowboy	Cowboy Cal	Kathleen Amaya & Raffaele Centofanti	Loza, Jr.	Negron	118
2	You're to Blame 🐾	Distorted Humor	Bortolazzo Stable LLC	Pletcher	Bravo	118
3	Discreet Lover	Repent	Trin-Brook Stables, Inc.	St. Lewis	Acosta	120
4	Something Awesome	Awesome Again	Stronach Stables	Corrales	Prado	120
5	War Story 🐾	Northern Afleet	Imaginary Stables & Glenn Ellis	Navarro	Castellano	118
6	Diversify 🐾	Bellamy Road	Lauren & Ralph M. Evans	Violette, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	118
7	Afleet Willy	Wilburn	BB Horses	Gonzalez	Torres	118

Breeders: 1-University of Kentucky, 2-Bryant H. Prentice III, 3-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 4-Adena Springs, 5-Jack Swain III, 6-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 7-Bryant H. Prentice III

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Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT**DIXIANA ELKHORN S.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Some in Tieme (Brz)	Shirocco (Ger)	Some In Time, Inc	McPeek	Ricardo	118
2	Oscar Nominated	Kitten's Joy	Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey	Maker	Rosario	118
3	Call Provision	Lemon Drop Kid	Klaravich Stables, Inc. & William H. Lawrence	Brown	Ortiz	118
4	Danish Dynaformer	Dynaformer	Charles E. Fipke	Attfield	Albarado	118
5	Dot Matrix	Freud	Ten Strike Racing	Cox	Bridgmohan	118
6	Canessar (Fr)	Kendargent (Fr)	Guy Pariente	Delacour	Santana, Jr.	118
7	One Go All Go 🌿	Fairbanks	Rodney Paden	Dickey	Landeros	118
8	Hunter O'Riley 🌿	Tiz Wonderful	Sean Shay & Michael J. Ryan	Toner	Geroux	120
9	Bullards Alley	Flower Alley	Wayne Spalding & Faron McCubbins	Glyshaw	Lanerie	123
10	Itsinthepost (Fr)	American Post (GB)	Red Baron's Barn LLC	Mullins	Baze	120
11	Big Bend 🌿	Union Rags	Union Rags Racing LLC	Proctor	Stevens	118
12	Hayabusa One (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Team Valor International & Gary Barber	Miller	Espinoza	118

Breeders: 1-Haras Santa Maria de Araras, 2-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 3-KatieRich Farms, 4-Charles Fipke, 5-Truxton Stables, 6-Haras De S.A. Aga Khan SCEA, 7-Albert P. Coppola, 8-Mike G. Rutherford, 9-Eugene Melnyk, 10-Julien Leaunes, 11-Daniel J. Burke & Kathleen Schweizer, 12-Dominique Lepagney

Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:00 p.m. EDT**KONA GOLD S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Blameitonthelaw 🌿	Blame	Doubledown Stables, Inc.	Sadler	Talamo	122
2	Bobby Abu Dhabi 🌿	Macho Uno	Rockingham Ranch & David A Bernsen LLC	Miller	Espinoza	122
3	Ten Blessings	Smart Strike	Patti & Hal J. Earnhardt III	Baffert	Van Dyke	122
4	Calculator	In Summation	Richard C. Pell	Miller	Desormeaux	122
5	Ransom the Moon	Malibu Moon	Agave Racing Stable & Jeffrey Wilke	D'Amato	Prat	124

Breeders: 1-Northern Bloodstock Inc, 2-T/C Stable, LLC, 3-Hal Earnhardt, 4-Ocala Stud, 5-Sam-Son Farm

Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT**AMERICAN S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fabozzi 🌿	Sidney's Candy	William Branch & Norman Stables, LLC	Glatt	Conner	122
2	What a View	Vronsky	Finish Line Racing, LLC, The Elwood Johnston Trust Black & Taste of Victory Stables		Elliott	122
3	Colonist 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Hollendorfer	Van Dyke	122
4	Ritz A. P.	English Channel	Calumet Farm	Blacker	Franco	122
5	Blackjackcat	Tale of the Cat	Al & Sandra S. Kirkwood	Glatt	Desormeaux	124
6	Sawyer's Hill 🌿	Spring At Last	David Jacobson	Jacobson	Garcia	122
7	Free Rose	Munnings	Abbondanza Racing, LLC & Premier Racing Club	Baltas	Talamo	122
8	Mr. Roary 🌿	Scat Daddy	Kretz Racing LLC	Papaprodromou	Quinonez	122
9	Kenjisstorm	Stormy Atlantic	Head of Plains Partners LLC, KM Racing Enterprise, Inc. & J. Carillo	D'Amato	Prat	122

Breeders: 1-Budget Stable, 2-Old English Rancho & Patsy & Sal Berumen, 3-Springland Farm & HKN, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Al & Sandra Kirkwood, 6-Betz/Lamantia/CoCo Equine/Magers/Burns, 7-Nathan John McCauley, 8-Judy Hicks & Kathryn Nikkel, 9-Dapple Bloodstock & Susan Bunning



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1	Violence (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro	5	10	1	5	--	--	83	45	\$287,080 Cosmic Burst	\$2,581,075
2	Overanalyze (2010) by Dixie Union	5	8	--	2	--	1	80	35	\$251,726 Analyze the Odds	\$2,224,966
3	Jimmy Creed (2009) by Distorted Humor	4	10	2	3	--	1	55	33	\$303,200 Spectator	\$1,780,965
4	Shanghai Bobby (2010) by Harlan's Holiday	3	9	--	1	--	--	74	24	\$170,832 Mr. Pete	\$1,490,249
5	Paynter (2009) by Awesome Again	1	8	--	--	--	--	63	29	\$95,457 Renaissance Frolic	\$1,369,163
6	Animal Kingdom (2008) by Leroidesanimaux (Brz)	3	4	1	2	--	1	49	19	\$352,200 Untamed Domain	\$1,322,748
7	Flat Out (2006) by Flatter	1	3	--	--	--	--	64	31	\$89,966 Greasedlightning	\$1,235,617
8	Graydar (2009) by Unbridled's Song	1	3	1	1	--	--	74	31	\$129,570 Lombo	\$1,174,834
9	Point of Entry (2008) by Dynaformer	2	3	1	1	--	--	52	18	\$195,000 Analyze It	\$1,165,227
10	Justin Phillip (2008) by First Samurai	1	5	--	--	--	--	48	21	\$310,877 Ryono Tesoro	\$1,152,872
11	Poseidon's Warrior (2008) by Speightstown	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	12	\$669,100 Firenze Fire	\$1,077,009
12	Orb (2010) by Malibu Moon	1	2	--	1	--	--	54	17	\$145,800 Orbolution	\$1,044,263
13	Alternation (2008) by Distorted Humor	--	2	--	--	--	--	49	19	\$138,658 First Alternate	\$951,925
14	Declaration of War (2009) by War Front	3	6	2	5	--	2	68	20	\$157,180 Speed Franco	\$949,203
15	Morning Line (2007) by Tiznow	2	5	--	--	--	--	39	21	\$160,400 Seven Trumpets	\$905,675

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FIRST SAMURAI FILLY RUNS AWAY TO RISING STARDOM AT KEENELAND



Chelsea Cloisters | Coady Photography

by Joe Bianca

Hat Creek Racing's **Chelsea Cloisters** took all the money for her debut in Thursday's opener at Keeneland and ran to it with a powerful victory to become the second 'TDN Rising Star' of the day.

Showing several sharp drills, including a local half-mile gate spin in :48 flat (5/86) Apr. 6, the \$125,000 Fasig-Tipton July buy broke customarily sharply for a Wesley Ward baby from her inside draw as the 11-10 favorite and quickly established command. Challenged briefly by Elle Factor (The Factor) through a :22.60 quarter, the bay stole away on the turn and slammed the door past the furlong grounds en route to an eight-length romp in sharp time. Elle Factor was second-best, while Seeking a Star (Pioneer of the Nile), an \$800,000 Keeneland September pickup, checked in fourth.

The winner is a half to Beggarthyneighbor (Half Ours), SW, \$190,217, while her dam is a half to GSW Antrim Rd. (Fit to Fight) and second dam Pretty in Green is a half to MG1SW Wavering Monarch (Majestic Light). Deeper in the female family appear MG1SW Motivator (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), MG1SW Goodbye Halo (Halo), dual champion Zilzal (Nureyev), MG1SW Awe Inspiring (Slew o' Gold), MG1SW Culture Vulture (Timeless Moment) and MG1SW Polish Precedent (Danzig). Postulant was bred to Not This Time last spring.

"I did things a little different this year," Ward told *TDN* of his approach to 2-year-olds. "I broke a lot of them up here at the farm at Keeneland and got them in the field. Then as soon as they allowed us to come on the training track at Keeneland, we trained there and we started shipping over from Keeneland on their workout days to Turfway and they did all their works at Turfway. They came around a little slower than they normally do in Florida, where you never have to miss a day or dodge weather, but it's all starting to come together and I think it's going to help me in the long-term, especially with this filly, because she was a little slow coming around and then every work just started getting better and better and better, and she sure showed it today."

Ward, who has sent fellow 'Rising Stars' Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) and Hat Creek-owned Con Te Partiro (Scat Daddy) to victories at Royal Ascot in the last two years, confirmed that he'll be pointing Chelsea Cloisters there as well this summer.

"That's the focus of Gatewood Bell's Hat Creek stable, where he tries to buy into or put a group together to buy some of these types and hopefully one will emerge from his group to get over there," the jockey-turned-trainer said. "Every year, he's been able to do it and it looks like he's done it again. I tell his daddy he's the horse-picker deluxe."

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-AQU, \$83,300, Alw (NW3\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-19, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.63, ft.

KING KRANZ (h, 5, Munnings--Queen Congie, by Henny Hughes), a two-time stakes winner for trainer John Terranova, went winless in four starts last year and was laid up for over 10 months before returning for this barn to post a nose allowance victory over track and trip Mar. 16. Made the heavy favorite at a nickel above even-money to double up here, the bay broke a half-step slowly before settling in third at the fence behind splits of :22.97 and :45.54. Moving up to challenge the leaders three deep at the eighth pole, he dueled down pace actor Angry Moon (Langfuhr) from there to prevail by a neck. The victor has an unraced sophomore Liaison half-sister named Sing a Psalm and a juvenile half-sister by Strong Mandate named Suprema. His dam was bred back to his sire last term. Sales History: \$25,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$37,000 RNA Ylg '14 FTKJUL; \$95,000 2yo '15 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: MSW & MGSP, 17-4-3-4, \$407,490. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Zayat Stables, LLC; B-Bob & Alice Austin (KY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez.

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8th-KEE, \$76,000, Alw, 4-19, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.08, ft.

BIG DOLLAR BILL (g, 4, Midnight Lute--A Precious Memory, by Honor Grades) took six tries to break his maiden, but has steadily moved forward since then and was fourth with a career-high 95 Beyer in the Challenger S. last out Mar. 10 at Tampa. Off as the 19-10 second choice in this spot, the dark bay settled in a distant fifth behind splits of :23.79 and :47.02. Progressing smartly on the bottom half of the far turn, he surged past Silver Dust (Tapit) in midstretch and kicked away to score by 2 1/4 lengths over that rival. The winner is a half to Decisive Edge (Bernardini), GSP, \$210,832. He has a juvenile half-brother by To Honor and Serve and his dam was paired with Haynesfield last season. Sales History: \$70,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT. Lifetime

Record: 11-2-4-2, \$139,726. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Dennis Farkas & Brett & C. Franklin; B-Epona Equine, LLC & Gary Young (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-AQU, \$100,000, Msw, 4-19, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51.99, ft.

WHAT THE LUCK (c, 2, Lookin At Lucky--Magic Reider, by Majesticperfection), given a 57-10 chance to become the second Wesley Ward juvenile winner in 15 minutes following the 'TDN Rising Star'-worthy performance by Chelsea Cloisters at Keeneland, broke alertly and was sent hard to show the way narrowly through a :22.74 quarter. Cutting the corner into the stretch, bay kicked clear past the furlong grounds en route to a three-length success. Social Fan (Overanalyze), part of a 2-5 Todd Pletcher entry, completed the exacta. The winner is the first foal out of a dam who visited Constitution last spring. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$50,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Ice Wine Stable (NY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

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9th-KEE, \$73,906, Msw, 4-19, 3yo, 1mT, 1:39.61, gd.

THEMANBEHINDTHEMAN (c, 3, Quality Road--Fastbridled, by Unbridled's Song), who put in a bullet five-furlong gate move on the local main in 1:00 flat (1/13) Apr. 8, took a good amount of play off his 12-1 morning line to be 34-5 at the off in this career bow. Put on the lead from his rail post, the \$97,000 Keeneland September pickup clicked off pokey fractions of :25.07 and :50.33, started to get away on the turn and finished up with plenty of run to score by 2 3/4 lengths. Special Forces (Candy Ride {Arg}) was second after chasing the winner throughout. Themanbehindtheman is out of an unraced half-sister to MGSW turfer Interactif (Broken Vow) who is responsible for a juvenile filly by Street Sense, a yearling Tiznow colt and a filly by Union Rags foaled Mar. 23. Sales History: \$97,000 Ylg '16 KEESSEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$44,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Michael Dubb, Monomoy Stables, LLC & Bethlehem Stables LLC; B-Jamm Ltd. (KY); T-Jorge R. Abreu.

7th-KEE, \$60,753, Msw, 4-19, 3yo, 1mT, 1:39.23, gd.
RAGING BULL (FR) (c, 3, Dark Angel {Ire}--Rosa Bonheur {SP-Fr}, by Mr. Greeley) continued a lights-out run for trainer Chad Brown at the Keeneland meet with a rallying debut tally on the grass. Showing a steady worktab at Palm Meadows before finishing off preparations with an easy half-mile on the local dirt in :49 flat (33/86) Apr. 6, the bay broke about two lengths slowly as the narrow 29-10 third choice before darting over to the rail into the clubhouse turn. Traveling comfortably in sixth behind fractions of :24.28 and :48.80, he advanced four wide on the latter half of the far bend, swept to the lead just outside the sixteenth pole and edged clear to score by two lengths in hand over First Spring (Spring At Last). The winner's second dam is MGSW Rolly Polly (Ire) (Mukaddamah). He has a juvenile half-brother by Pivotal (GB) named Rapture (Fr) and a yearling Siyouni (Fr) half-sister named Siyoubaby (Ire). Sales History: €90,000 Ylg '16 GOFORB. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$34,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Peter M. Brant; B-Dayton Investments Limited (FR); T-Chad C. Brown.

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4th-KEE, \$55,334, Msw, 4-19, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.12, ft.
ATHENS QUEEN (f, 2, Majestic Warrior--Mine All Mine {SP}, by Belong to Me), made the narrow 12-5 chalk in this unveiling, was first out of the blocks to dictate terms in the clear past a :22.41 quarter. Challenged in the stretch by Northern Beauty (Munnings), the bay dug in to repel that one by a neck on the wire, giving her trainer a clean sweep of the day's juvenile races. The victress has a yearling half-brother by Stay Thirsty and her dam was bred to Maclean's Music last season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Reiley McDonald; B-Athens Woods, LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

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9th-GP, \$46,000, Msw, 4-19, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.07, ft.
LEGIT (c, 3, Curlin--Logalina Pompina, by Corinthian) had work to do early, but came running late to score by himself first out at Gulfstream for Repole Stable and Todd Pletcher. Displaying an above-average worktab at Palm Beach Downs, capped by a half-mile gate move in :49 flat (5/26) Apr. 13, the \$125,000 Keeneland September graduate came away well from his rail draw as the 17-10 second choice, but was shuffled back to travel in a clear fourth behind fractions of :23.76 and :46.12. After being worked on for at least a furlong by Tyler Gaffalione, the chestnut came alive three-eighths from home, swooped up alongside favored Crafty Jack (Trajectory) nearing the straightaway and burst clear soon thereafter to graduate by 5 1/2 lengths. Crafty Jack was clear for second, ahead of

\$435,000 firster Our Honor (Union Rags). The winner is the first foal out of an unraced half-sister to GSW/GISP Mellow Fellow (Belek) and SW/MGSP Zawzooth (Unbridled's Song). Logalina Pompina foaled a colt by Lea last term before visiting Will Take Charge. Sales History: \$65,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Repole Stable; B-David Greathouse II (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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Saturday, Apr. 21, 2018

11th-TOK, ¥41,800,000 (US\$417k), Open (Oasis S.), 4yo/up, 1600m

DREAM KIRARI (h, 6, Giant's Causeway--Truant, by Gone West), third in the G3 Elm S. last term, steps up in trip after a third going 1400 metres in the Listed Coral S. at Hanshin behind fellow US-bred and 2016 G1 February S. hero Moanin (Henny Hughes) on Mar. 31. Out of a half-sister to European highweights Bosra Sham (Woodman) and Hector Protector (Woodman), as well as French Classic victor Shanghai (Procida), the entire was purchased for \$250,000 back in 2013 during the Keeneland September Yearling Sale. *B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY).*

2nd-KYO, ¥9,550,000 (US\$89k), Maiden, 3yo, 1400m

AMERICAN DOMINGO (f, 3, Scat Daddy--Queen of The Night, by Sadler's Wells) was 10th over the Hanshin sod when unveiled on Dec. 9, but was a much-improved fourth switched to Chukyo over this trip Mar. 25. Trying dirt for the first time on Saturday, the \$160,000 KESEP yearling is from the same family as international champion Falbrav (Ire) (Fairy King), as her placed dam was a half-sister to the six-time Group 1 winner. *B-Queen Of The Night Syndicate (KY).*

Sunday, Apr. 22, 2018

10th-KYO, ¥34,620,000 (US\$322,364), Allowance, 4yo/up, 1900m

SOLEIL DE PARIS (c, 4, Lemon Drop Kid--Chatham, by Maria's Mon) already sports three wins from seven starts, and was successful over the Nakayama main going 1800 metres on Jan. 14. Making his second 4-year-old appearance, the \$535,000

KEESEP yearling shares his MSP dam Chatham (Maria's Mon) with European juvenile highweight Air Force Blue (War Front), while champion juvenile filly Flanders (Seeking the Gold) is nested under his third dam, the winning Starlet Storm (Storm Bird). *B-Stone Farm (KY)*.

11th-KYO, ¥112,800,000 (US\$1,050,500), G2 Yomiuri Milers Cup, 4yo/up, 1600mT

DASHING BLAZE (h, 6, Kitten's Joy--Blazing Bliss, by Honour and Glory) scored his first group win in the G3 Epsom Cup at Tokyo last June, but ran respectably when fourth in the G3 Kokura Daishoten in his 6-year-old bow on Feb. 8. Originally a \$65,000 KEESEP yearling, the full-brother to SP Honor the Kitten bloomed into a \$400,000 OBSAPR juvenile and dropped a spot most recently in the Mar. 11 G2 Kinko Sho to subsequent G1Osaka Hai hero Suave Richard (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}). Another U.S.-bred of interest is **Mozu Ascot (c, 4, Frankel {GB}--India, by Hennessy)**, a son of European superstar Frankel (GB), who has enjoyed such a good start to his second career. From the family of Grade I winners To Honor And Serve (Bernardini) and Angela Renee (Bernardini), the half-brother to SW Kareena (Medaglia d'Oro) was an encouraging second last out in the G3 Hankyu Cup on Feb. 25. *B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY) for Dashing Blaze & B-Summer Wind Farm (KY) for Mozu Ascot.*

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Brethren (Distorted Humor), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$6,000

100 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
8-TAM, Msw 7f, THE STIFLER, 30-1

Data Link (War Front), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500

186 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner
7-GG, Aoc 1mT, BORNONVALENTINEDAY, 5-2
\$7,200 KEE SEP yrl

El Kingdom (El Prado {Ire}), Stonewall Dominion Farm, \$0

20 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
4-LS, Msw 1mT, POMPEYANO, 20-1
4-LS, Msw 1mT, SEDUCTIVE U S A, 20-1

El Padrino (Pulpit), Northview PA, \$5,000

113 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners
8-LRL, Alw 5 1/2f, FRECHETTE, 8-1
\$24,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Flat Out (Flatter), Spendthrift Farm, \$10,000

230 foals of racing age/31 winners/1 black-type winner
3-AQU, Msw 1m, BALLARD HIGH, 3-1
\$110,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$220,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Fort Larned (E Dubai), Adena Springs, \$15,000

97 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner
3-KEE, Msw 7f, FORT PECK, 4-1

Graydar (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made Stallions, \$15,000

193 foals of racing age/31 winners/1 black-type winner
6-KEE, Msw 1 1/16mT, ABSOLUTE LOVE, 3-1
\$105,000 KEE SEP yrl

Hunters Bay (Ghostzapper), Adena Springs North, \$4,000

20 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
8-LRL, Alw 5 1/2f, BAY OF CATS, 7-2

Justin Phillip (First Samurai), Castleton Lyons, \$12,500

124 foals of racing age/21 winners/1 black-type winner
5-AQU, Aoc 6 1/2f, WHAT A CATCH, 3-1
\$90,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$265,000 FTF MAR 2yo

Morning Line (Tiznow), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000

134 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
10-KEE, Msw 1 1/16mT, FLAWSOME, 30-1
6-HAW, Alw 1mT, JINX JOHNSON, 5-2
\$10,500 KEE SEP yrl

5-AQU, Aoc 6 1/2f, MORNING BREEZ, 9-5
\$62,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$65,000 SAR AUG yrl

4-SA, Aoc 6f, SURRENDER NOW, 3-1
\$19,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$220,000 BAR MAR 2yo

Overanalyze (Dixie Union), WinStar Farm, \$10,000

193 foals of racing age/35 winners/5 black-type winners
5-AQU, Aoc 6 1/2f, ANALYZE THE ODDS, 2-1
\$15,000 FTK OCT yrl

6-KEE, Msw 1 1/16mT, CORKER, 15-1
\$57,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$92,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$130,000 OBS APR 2yo

6-KEE, Msw 1 1/16mT, GENUWINE, 30-1

\$4,500 FTK OCT yrl

Oxbow (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$20,000
167 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
8-TAM, Msw 7f, BUCK SNORT, 8-1
\$58,000 RNA KEE JAN yrl; \$115,000 FTK JUL yrl

Paynter (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25,000
218 foals of racing age/29 winners/1 black-type winner
4-LS, Msw 1mT, ABSTRACT PAYNTER, 30-1
\$15,000 KEE SEP yrl
8-TAM, Msw 7f, WAVE MAKER, 4-1
\$170,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$425,000 FTF MAR 2yo

Raison d'Etat (A.P. Indy), Calumet Farm, \$15,000
56 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
1-LRL, Msw 5 1/2ft, MARU'S RAVEN, 5-1
\$1,100 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday), Ashford Stud, \$20,000
238 foals of racing age/24 winners/3 black-type winners
5-AQU, Aoc 6 1/2f, MR. PETE, 8-1

Soldat (War Front), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$5,000
158 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners
4-GP, Aoc 1mT, THE X, 4-1
\$20,000 OBS AUG yrl; \$60,000 FTF MAR 2yo

Wolfcamp (El Prado {Ire}), Blue Diamond Horseshoe LLC, \$3,000
12 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-LS, Msw 1mT, CHASING JETT, 30-1



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-KEE, \$75,776, 4-19, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 5 1/2ft, 1:05.10, gd.
HOLLOW POINT (g, 4, **Into Mischief--Sunny Laugh, by Relaunch**) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-3, \$125,423. O-Jackpot Ranch; B-Highclere Inc. (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. *\$170,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP.

8th-AQU, \$70,630, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 4-19, 4yo/up, 6ft, 1:10.73, gd.
PSYCHIC ENERGY (g, 4, **Freud--Go Ask Daisy {SW}, by Mutakddim**) Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-1, \$161,618. O-Vina Del Mar Thoroughbreds LLC and Black Swan Stable; B-Thomas/Burleson (NY); T-Linda Rice. *\$5,000 Ylg '15 FTKOCT; \$75,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Lady Alex (Benchmark), SP, \$198,150.

6th-CT, \$24,500, (S), 4-18, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:27.33, ft.
SEE YA MANANA (f, 3, **Creative Cause--Ms Manana, by Graeme Hall**) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$50,815. O-Huntertown Farm LLC; B-Heinz Joseph Steinmann (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco.

7th-CT, \$24,000, 4-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:48.99, ft.
MEAN BEAN (g, 6, **Garnered--Distinctly Spring, by Distinctive Pro**) Lifetime Record: 24-5-11-3, \$138,734. O/T-Glenn N. Harrison; B-Jessica Loy (WV).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Problem Solving, f, 3, **Algorithms--Heart of a Chief** (SP), by Tabasco Cat. AQU, 4-19, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18.47. B-Fletcher & Carolyn Gray (KY). *\$50,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP.

Tensas Talk, g, 3, **Liaison--Tensas Idea**, by Ide. EVD, 4-18, (S), 7f, 1:25.75. B-Curt Leake (LA). *\$11,000 Ylg '16 OBSAUG; \$8,700 2yo '17 TTAAPR.

Logic, c, 3, **Point of Entry--Getback Time** (MSP, \$384,050), by Gilded Time. GP, 4-19, (S), 1mT, 1:36.39. B-Arindel (FL). *\$140,000 RNA 2yo '17 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Shaman Ghost (Ghostzapper), Ch. 3yo Colt-Can & MGISW, \$3,859,311.

Making Rainbows, f, 3, **Santiva--Clancy's Candy**, by Candy Ride (Arg). IND, 4-18, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.45. B-Bone Doctors Stable LLC (IN). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Grey Mask, g, 5, **Leroideasanimaux (Brz)--Parting Bid**, by Spectacular Bid. HAW, 4-19, 6f, 1:10.84. B-Patricia M. Mayfield & Family Broodmares IV (FL). *\$22,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV. **1/2 to Departing Now (Wheaton), SW, \$326,129.



ALGORITHMS, Problem Solving, f, 3, o/o Heart of a Chief, by Tabasco Cat. MCL, 4-19, Aqueduct

CREATIVE CAUSE, See Ya Manana, f, 3, o/o Ms Manana, by Graeme Hall. ALW, 4-18, Charles Town

CURLIN, Legit, c, 3, o/o Logalina Pompina, by Corinthian. MSW, 4-19, Gulfstream Park

DARK ANGEL (IRE), Raging Bull (Fr), c, 3, o/o Rosa Bonheur, by Mr. Greeley. MSW, 4-19, Keeneland

FIRST SAMURAI, Chelsea Cloisters, f, 2, o/o Postulant, by Pulpit. MSW, 4-19, Keeneland

FREUD, Psychic Energy, g, 4, o/o Go Ask Daisy, by Mutakddim. AOC, 4-19, Aqueduct

GARNERED, Mean Bean, g, 6, o/o Distinctly Spring, by Distinctive Pro. ALW, 4-18, Charles Town

INTO MISCHIEF, Hollow Point, g, 4, o/o Sunny Laugh, by Relaunch. ALW, 4-19, Keeneland

LEROIDESANIMAUX (BRZ), Grey Mask, g, 5, o/o Parting Bid, by Spectacular Bid. MSW, 4-19, Hawthorne
LIAISON, Tensas Talk, g, 3, o/o Tensas Idea, by Ide. MSW, 4-18, Evangeline
LOOKIN AT LUCKY, What the Luck, c, 2, o/o Magic Reider, by Majesticperfection. MSW, 4-19, Aqueduct
MAJESTIC WARRIOR, Athens Queen, f, 2, o/o Mine All Mine, by Belong to Me. MSW, 4-19, Keeneland
MIDNIGHT LUTE, Big Dollar Bill, g, 4, o/o A Precious Memory, by Honor Grades. ALW, 4-19, Keeneland
MUNNINGS, King Kranz, h, 5, o/o Queen Congie, by Henry Hughes. AOC, 4-19, Aqueduct
POINT OF ENTRY, Logic, c, 3, o/o Getback Time, by Gilded Time. MSW, 4-19, Gulfstream Park
QUALITY ROAD, Themanbehindtheman, c, 3, o/o Fastbridled, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 4-19, Keeneland

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By Tom Peacock

It feels unnecessary for Roger Charlton to talk of building his profile. This, after all, is a man who won two Derbies in his first season some 28 years ago, and in the meantime has developed a reputation perhaps the equal of any other current British trainer in terms of pragmatism and maximising the potential of sprinters, stayers and anything in between. Yet racing is a numbers game and memories are short in this data-rich age. So Charlton, who jots down every winner in a small notebook on his desk at the historic Beckhampton yard he took over from Jeremy Tree, can point to an impressive 67 fresh entries from 2017 including three Group 1s from the Irish National Stud's new stallion Decorated Knight (GB) (Galileo {Ire}).

"Last year was our best in terms of winners and prizemoney, and we were even sixth in Ireland, mainly thanks to Decorated Knight," he said. "He'll be hard to replace at that level but I suppose at this time last year we weren't really expecting to win three Group 1s with him--he was consistent in Group 3s, Group 2s, but Group 1s are hard to come by. Somehow he did it, so we need a replacement."

"Our strength this year is that maybe on the back of having a couple of good years, maybe Group 1 winners help, and the likes

of Quest For More (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Thistle Bird (GB) (Selkirk) and Al Kazeem (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) are gradually lifting your profile, raising your head a bit more. And I think that results to a certain extent in better quality younger horses from owner-breeders as well as new owners. Probably this year, for the first time since I started training, we have over 60 2-year-olds. We only have space for 105 here, but you need reserves and if you're looking for quality you also need quantity to get you there. After all, we're competing with people who have 200 or 250 horses in training. We have to fight hard."

Last year's intake included Juddmonte's giant **Herculean (GB)** (Frankel {GB}), a full-brother to the smart Fair Eva (GB) out of G1 Sprint Cup S. winner African Rose (GB) (Observatory), who made a striking debut at Ascot last September. "Herculean has been a little slow to come to hand, he was a bit held up in one way or another, so he won't run in a trial or the Guineas," Charlton explained. [Cont. p2](#)

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TAKING STOCK: JUSTIFY, 'MOON' & FLORIDA

Sid Fernando examines the Florida influences in the pedigrees of GI Kentucky Derby-bound colts **Justify** (Scat Daddy) and **Magnum Moon** (Malibu Moon). [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

A promotional graphic for Snitzel Peerless. It features a large, stylized number '24' in the center, set against a background of a sunset over a field with horses. Text includes 'SNITZEL PEERLESS', 'Individual Australian Stakeswinners in 2017/18', and '3 from breaking the all-time record in a season'. At the bottom, it says 'DISCOVER GREATNESS' and 'www.arrowfield.com.au'.

Charlton on a Quest to Find the Next Star Cont. from p1

“He’ll hopefully make an outing some time later in April and we’ll see where we go from there. He’s a big horse with a long stride, and looked quite good at Ascot. He’s exciting. He put on a lot of weight through the winter and you’d still think that he’d be a better horse in September than he is in June. He could start off over seven furlongs but I’d be looking at a mile and it would be a bonus if he stayed further.”

Charlton’s sole entry in the G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas is **Gavota (GB)** (Bated Breath {GB}), narrowly beaten in the G3 Oh So Sharp S. last October. “She was a bit unlucky not to win a group race but perhaps didn’t handle running into the dip at Newmarket. She’s not a big, robust filly, she should come to hand, and might go in a Guineas trial but I’m not at this stage thinking of her as a rock-hard Guineas contender. It might be a question of looking about a bit.” Indeed Gavota’s Guineas credentials may become clearer after she contests the G3 Dubai Duty Free S. at Newbury on Saturday.

Even more intriguing is **Withhold (GB)** (Champs Elysees {GB}), who landed a mighty gamble on only his second start for his new connections in the Cesarewitch. “It was only a handicap and he is only rated 98 but I can see him improving,” Charlton said. “The aim this year is, longer term, to present him into the Melbourne Cup with a low weight, but he needs to improve 12lb or thereabouts to get in. To see if he’s good enough he probably needs to run in Cup races and maybe start at Sandown. Even if he’s second or third the handicapper will be looking at taking him up.”

He continued, “It’s about a light season, four or five runs before the Cup, so rather than it being an afterthought it’s going to have to be an objective. It’ll be very hard to do that but instead of a £60,000 race, we’re trying to win a £4-million race but [owner] Mr [Tony] Bloom would like that sort of challenge.”



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Although his premier stayer is being geared for abroad, Charlton approves of the valuable bonuses recently allocated to the Cesarewitch and Ebor. “Thanks to the BHA the stayers programme has been hugely incentivised and they’re proper races to have as a target,” he said. “I think it will take eight to 10 years before it really gets into the system. The owner-breeder who is planning their matings now will start to think ‘we’ll go to that mile and a quarter, mile and a half stallion because there should be a market for those rather than wanting instant success from natural speed all the time’. The market for the stayers is pretty good, there’s a steady stream going to Australia for that exact reason in that they don’t breed staying horses. In many ways staying races are more captivating, and it’s nice to have horses that are late maturing, and with stamina in their pedigrees.”

Almodovar (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) exemplifies the type Charlton describes. Third in the G2 Hardwicke S. in 2016 for David Lanigan, he is not far off a belated reappearance. The 68-year-old explained, “He had a year out to recover from various issues. I don’t know a lot about him but so far he’s a nice natured, nice moving horse who had a pretty high level of potential form. As a 6-year-old and a gelding, you’d hope there’s a good chance he gets back up to that level or better.”

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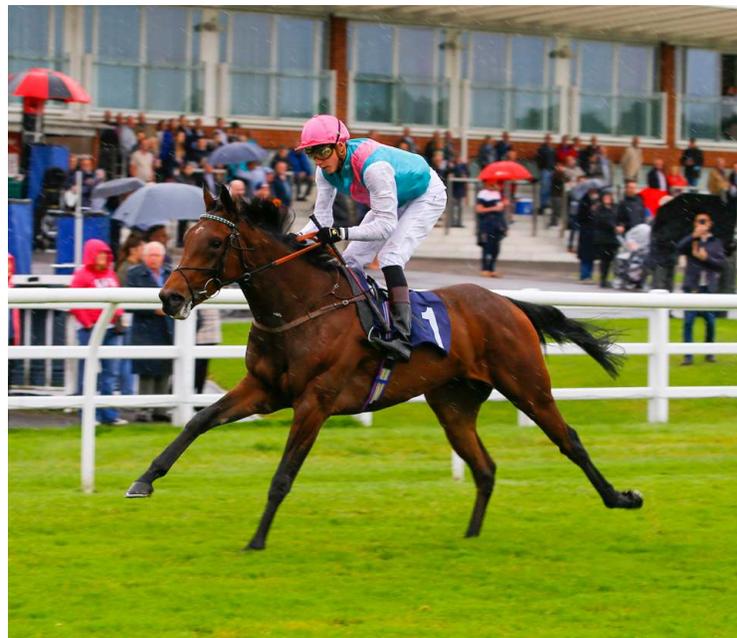
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Gavota runs at Newbury on Saturday | Racing Post Photo

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Atty Persse (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), who won at Royal Ascot before losing his way, has also been gelded. “He needed bit of time off to rebuild himself. He’s not in full training, so no early targets, but he has done very well and I think that with a bit of luck, at the level he’s at, he can still progress again. He has settled down very well. Montjeu had a gene that needed careful management, such as with Camelot, and some of the Frankels might be the same. You need to harness their energy and be trained well, as he was, but some are deeply relaxed. It’s a bit like Danehill in that he’s proving he can be a sire of anything--they can stay, they can be fast, they can be 2-year-olds--and we’re only scratching at it now, he has plenty more to come.”

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“We saw a lot of energy in Frankel when he was winning his races, and some of the characteristics of the Frankels is that it’s very obvious that their best furlong was their last one, or even the one after the winning post.”

Roger Charlton

Atty Persse | *Racing Post*

Charlton on a Quest to Find the Next Star Cont.

Charlton continued, “We saw a lot of energy in Frankel when he was winning his races, and some of the characteristics of the Frankels is that it’s very obvious that their best furlong was their last one, or even the one after the winning post. Atty did that, they get into their stride and they’re away.”

Other older members of the team include the prolific **Cribbs Causeway (Ire)** (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}), who will attempt to pick up further black-type, old stager **Second Step (Ire)** (Dalakhani {Ire}) and **Projection (GB)** (Acclamation {GB}), who shook up the high-class Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal) in the G3 Bengough S. and will take in more group sprints.

“A few of the 2-year-olds I might need to get on with, but I like to work them on the grass and we’ve not been anywhere near that with the weather,” Charlton concluded. “There are some nicely bred ones among them and some quite nice maiden 3-year-olds, but you have to remind yourself that Charlie Appleby, John Gosden, they all have hugely strong bunches of 3-year-olds as well. They’re pretty competitive divisions—you think you’ve got a good one to run at Newbury and it’s beaten by group horses.”

Certainly his string lacks the depth of a few of his rivals but, as the last 28 years have shown, Roger Charlton is never making up the numbers.

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BLUE IS THE COLOUR

Charlie Appleby has made his presence felt in a major way this week at Newmarket and 24 hours after Soliloquy (GB) made all under William Buick to capture the G3 Nell Gwyn S. It was déjà vu as ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ **Masar (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) killed off the opposition in dramatic fashion in Thursday’s G3 bet365 Craven S. Setting just a steady tempo early, last year’s G3 Solario S. winner, who started as the 7-2 second favourite, had everything in trouble passing three out and from there it was all over as he strode on powerfully for a nine-length dismissal of **White Mocha** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), with the 8-13 favourite **Roaring Lion** (Kitten’s Joy) fading to be third, a head away.

“That was a very good performance—he had been showing flashes of brilliance and was always going to be a better 3-year-old than 2-year-old,” Buick said. “He’s a lovely mover with a great turn of foot and he just put everything together there.”

Appleby, who had gambled with the dirt in Meydan when tackling the Mar. 10 Listed Al Bastakiya with Masar only to see him trail in 10th, was not surprised by the result and added, “I knew he was 100% ready, as he’d done fantastically well over the winter. It was never my intention to run him in Dubai, but he was going too well and so I wanted to get a bit of gas out of him and put some manners on him. If he had adapted to the dirt, we could have gone UAE Derby and if not it still put a run under his belt and so if this came down to a dogfight fitness was going to be his edge. He quickened twice and has got stronger, but we always said he was going to be a 3-year-old and he’s got the pedigree to do that. The Guineas route is foremost in our minds now.” [Cont. p5](#)

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G3 Craven S. Cont.

Understandably, given his G2 Royal Lodge S. win and G1 Racing Post Trophy second accompanied by bullish vibes from Newmarket, Roaring Lion was hot property here and few conceived of defeat as he looked to set up a rematch with Saxon Warrior (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}). If Masar had a patchy record, he was still an unknown quantity and his unbeaten stablemate **Glorious Journey (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) looked all potential so the Appleby team arrived with an air of quiet confidence. Masar's early conditioning when third in the Listed Chesham S. at Royal Ascot helped him to succeed in Sandown's Solario in September before he came unstuck on testing ground when third in the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere at Chantilly on Arc day. Sixth behind Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy) in Del Mar's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf in November, he had therefore become something of a forgotten horse particularly as he was beaten out of sight tackling the dirt last month. Even at halfway here supporters of Roaring Lion would have been content as he seemed to be following the chestnut with a degree of comfort, but as Masar applied building pressure the favourite soon cracked and the closing stages were a tour de force rarely seen in this 2000 Guineas prep.

Roaring Lion's trainer John Gosden was far from forlorn and said, "I'm perfectly happy. He was 80%. He tired in the last furlong. For me, he needs an end-to-end gallop. He does not want a steady one and a dash. He may well go for the Guineas. I'd hope there'd be proper pace all the way. There usually is. It's very different to the trial. I think his strength in the end will be a mile and a quarter at least. He's in the [G1] Prix du Jockey Club as well, but the Guineas is still very much an option."

Hugo Palmer said of the runner-up White Mocha, "We'll probably skip the Guineas and go a mile and a quarter next time."

Pedigree Notes...

It is not surprising that Masar was tried on the dirt, as his dam Khawlah (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) was successful in the G2 UAE Derby and G3 UAE Oaks. A half-sister to the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano scorer and G1 Jebel Hatta runner-up Vancouverite (GB) (Dansili {GB}), she is a granddaughter of Melikah (Ire) (Lammtarra) who captured the Listed Pretty Polly S. and placed in the G1 English and Irish Oaks. Her three black-type winners are headed by the G2 Grand Prix de Deauville hero Masterstroke (Monsun {Ger}), who was also third in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, while her G3 Meld S.-winning son Moonlight Magic (GB) shares Cape Cross as a sire with Khawlah. Melikah's dam is the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe heroine and bewildering matriarch Urban Sea (Miswaki), whose Sea the Stars (Ire) is also by Cape Cross. Khawlah's 2-year-old colt by Shamardal unfortunately died this year. **Click for the free [Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)**

Thursday, Newmarket, Britain

BET365 CRAVEN S.-G3, £60,000, NEW, 4-19, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:38.15, gd.

1--**MASAR (IRE)**, 126, c, 3, by **New Approach (Ire)**

1st Dam: Khawlah (Ire) (Hwt. 3yo-UAE at 7-9.5f, MGSW-UAE & GSP-Eng, \$1,366,175), by Cape Cross (Ire)
2nd Dam: Villarrica, by Selkirk
3rd Dam: Melikah (Ire), by Lammtarra

'**TDN Rising Star**'. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby; J-William Buick. £34,026. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 7-3-0-2, \$157,990. **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)**

Werk Nick Rating: A++.

2--**White Mocha**, 126, c, 3, Lope de Vega (Ire)--

Lastroseofsummer (Ire), by Haafhd (GB). (90,000gns Ylg '16 TATOCT). O-Dr Ali Ridha; B-Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Hugo Palmer. £12,900.

Winning with Woodford



3--**Roaring Lion**, 126, c, 3, **Kitten's Joy**--Vionnet, by Street Sense. (\$160,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). O-Qatar Racing Ltd; B-Ran Jan Racing Inc (KY); T-John Gosden. £6,456.



Margins: 9, HD, 4. Odds: 3.50, 16.00, 0.60.

Also Ran: Glorious Journey (GB), Just Brilliant (Ire), Sir Hamilton (Ire). Scratched: Thunderhooves (GB). **Click for the [Racing Post result.](#) Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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SECOND ACT

Heavily-supported when winning the G3 Connaught Access Flooring Abernant S. 12 months ago, Angie Bailey's **Brando (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) was cast only as a bit-player if the market was to be trusted ahead of Thursday's renewal but he turned that logic around with a convincing display. With sustained money forcing Prince Faisal bin Khaled and Susan Magnier's G3 Jersey S. winner **Le Brivido (GB)** (Siyouni {Fr}) into 6-5 favourite, Brando who had also captured Deauville's G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest in August traded at a generous 9-2 and waited in rear with Tom Eaves in patient mood. Delivered to lead passing the furlong pole, the imposing chestnut was always comfortably holding **Sir Dancealot (Ire)** (Sir Prancealot {Ire}) to score by 3/4 of a length, with Le Brivido only sixth as the French raider failed to make an impact.



Brando | Racing Post

Trainer Kevin Ryan was happy to arrest a lean spell for Brando, whose final three efforts of 2017 resulted in unplaced efforts before undergoing a wind operation in the winter.

"He was due to go to Dubai, but his last piece of work wasn't where I wanted him to be so the owners said don't run him," he explained. "The last 10 days, he's turned the corner and has really come to himself. I think we'll have to space out his runs more this year. He ran so well [when third] in the July Cup last year and it comes so soon after Royal Ascot. Do I sacrifice one for the other? I'll discuss it with the owners. We may go back to York next for the [G2] Duke of York. It went pear-shaped last year, but he has good form there. Nothing's set in stone yet."

David Elsworth said of Sir Dancealot, "He can do six and seven furlongs. We'll aim for something at Royal Ascot. We've cut him since last year. He used to hang to the left and we couldn't identify the problem, but he was uncomfortable in that area so we thought it best to have him cut. I'd like to think he'd improve a little

bit. With the good ground here it seemed sensible to run him."

Pedigree Notes...

Brando is a half-brother to the GI American Oaks Invitational and GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup heroine Ticker Tape (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}), whose daughter Royal Decree (Street Cry {Ire}) produced the G2 Vintage S. winner War Decree (War Front). Another of Brando's half-siblings, Sant Elena (GB) (Efisio {GB}), was responsible for the G1 Prix Morny and G1 Middle Park S.-winning European highweight Reckless Abandon (GB) (Exchange Rate) and this year's G2 TV Tokyo Hai Aoba Sho (Japanese Derby Trial) runner-up Best Approach (GB) (New Approach {Ire}). The dam Argent du Bois, whose 2-year-old colt is by Cape Cross (Ire), is a half-sister to the G1 Racing Post Trophy scorer Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest) and also to Vienna Affair (GB) (Red Ransom), dam of the GII Lake George S. and GIII Appalachian S. heroine Daring Dancer (Empire Maker). The third dam is the GII Palomar H. and GII Wilshire H. winner Chapel of Dreams (Northern Dancer), a half-sister to Storm Cat who was also runner-up in the GI Ramona H. and GI Gamely H. and is the second dam of the GII Peter Pan S.-winning sire Postponed. **Click for the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

Thursday, Newmarket, Britain

CONNAUGHT ACCESS FLOORING ABERNANT S.-G3, £60,000, NEW, 4-19, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:12.34, gd.

1--**BRANDO (GB)**, 133, g, 6, by Pivotal (GB)

1st Dam: Argent du Bois, by Silver Hawk

2nd Dam: Wiener Wald, by Woodman

3rd Dam: Chapel of Dreams, by Northern Dancer

(52,000gns Ylg '13 TAOCT; 115,000gns 2yo '14 TATBRE). O-Mrs Angie Bailey; B-Car Colston Hall Stud (GB); T-Kevin Ryan; J-Tom Eaves. £34,026. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Fr, MG1SP-Eng, GSP-Ire, 24-8-5-3, \$835,639. *1/2 to Ticker Tape (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}), MGISW-US & SP-Eng, \$1,452,396. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)**

2--**Sir Dancealot (Ire)**, 133, g, 4, Sir Prancealot (Ire)--Majesty's Dancer (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). (€15,000 Wlg '14 GOFNOV; €30,000 Ylg '15 GOFSP). O-C Benham/ D Whitford/ L Quinn/ K Quinn; B-Vincent Duignan (IRE); T-David Elsworth. £12,900.

3--**Projection (GB)**, 133, g, 5, Acclamation (GB)--Spotlight (GB), by Dr Fong. (£90,000 Ylg '14 DNPRM). O-The Royal Ascot Racing Club; B-Highclere Stud (GB); T-Roger Charlton. £6,456. Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, NO. Odds: 4.50, 16.00, 12.00.

Also Ran: Magical Memory (Ire), Gordon Lord Byron (Ire), Le Brivido (Fr), Dream of Dreams (Ire), Spirit of Valor. Scratched: Perfect Pasture (GB), One Master (GB). **Click for the [Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

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NO GUINEAS FOR WILLIE JOHN

The once raced **Willie John (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) will not be taking up a G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas entry according to his new trainer Roger Varian. The colt was an impressive winner of a Yarmouth maiden last back end for William Haggas but was then sent to Tattersalls February Sale to dissolve his previous ownership group which included Markus Jooste of Mayfair Speculators. It was there that Roger Varian successfully bid 1.9-million guineas for Willie John on behalf of Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum but the owner will have to wait until mid summer before seeing the colt compete.

Giving an update on the son of dual Group 1 winner Izzi Top (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) Varian said; "Willie John has impressed me in his work this spring, galloping in the manner of a high-class colt. While it is unfortunate he has incurred a small setback at this stage of the season, this will not keep him out for too long and we look forward to mapping out a group-race programme for him from July onwards."

In other Guineas news Jim Bolger's G1 Goffs Vincent O'Brien National S. winner **Verbal Dexterity (Ire)** (Vocalised) will also miss the race. The homebred was being aimed directly towards the Rowley Mile in two weeks time but has met with a setback which will delay his return.

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MAGICIAN COMING BACK TO IRELAND

Coolmore stallion **Magician (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire})-- Absolutelyfabulous {Ire}, by Mozart {Ire}) will relocate from Ashford Stud to Coolmore's Castlehyde Stud in Cork next month. The G1 Irish 2000 Guineas winner's eldest crop are now 2-year-olds and his covering fee has been set at €7,500. Magician's yearlings sold quite well last autumn; he had six sell for an average of 67,333gns and a top price of 210,000gns which was for a colt out of Perfect Step (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), bought by Amanda Skiffington on behalf of Coolmore at Tattersalls Book 2 from Kilminfoyle House Stud.

Castlehyde manager John Kennedy is looking forward to the stallion joining the likes of Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) and Starspangledbanner (Aus) and said, "The Magician colt out of Perfect Step has been earning very positive reports from Ballydoyle so it makes sense to bring Magician back to Ireland. He also has first crop 2-year-olds with British-based trainers Richard Fahey, Charlie Hills, Peter Chapple-Hyam, David Simcock and Charlie Fellowes."

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FRANKEL DAUGHTER OF ZARKAVA NAMED RISING STAR

Zarkamiya enjoyed odds-on favouritism in this distaffers' test and did not disappoint her supporters with a decisive success in this unveiling. She was steadied off the pace in a midfield sixth after breaking on terms with the front rank. Nudged along off the home turn, the 9-10 pick quickened in impressive fashion to challenge entering the final eighth and ran on strongly under mild urging in the closing stages to comfortably best long-time leader Xagere (Fr) (Kendargent {Fr}) by a length.

"She's a lovely looking filly, but doesn't show much in her paces at home," explained trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre. "She's not very demonstrative, but has a lot of energy and gives a lot. I feel we should take her step by step and space out her races. I think she will stay further and her next race will be over a mile-and-a-quarter."

The Aga Khan's homebred is the sixth foal and second winner produced by storied MG1SW European Horse of the Year Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar) and is a half-sister to G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud hero and G1 Prix du Jockey Club runner-up Zarak (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}). Like the winner, both Zarkava and Zarak were also conditioned by de Royer-Dupre. [Cont. p8](#)

Frankel Daughter of Zarkava Named Rising Star Cont.

The bay, who retains entries in the May 13 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches, May 27 G1 Prix Saint-Alary and June 17 G1 Prix de Diane, is also kin to a 2-year-old colt by Invincible Spirit (Ire) and a yearling filly by Siyouni (Fr).

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4th-LCP, €25,000, Mdn, 4-19, unraced 3yo, f, 8ft, 1:46.32, vsf. ZARKAMIYA (FR), f, 3, by Frankel (GB)

1st Dam: Zarkava (Ire) (HotY-Eur & MG1SW-Fr, \$4,793,989), by Zamindar

2nd Dam: Zarkasha (Ire), by Kahyasi (Ire)

3rd Dam: Zarkana (Ire), by Doyoun (Ire)

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. 1ST-TIME STARTER. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR); T-Alain de Royer-Dupre. **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



Zarkamiya became the first of two 'TDN Rising Stars' on Thursday. | *Scoop Dyga*

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Thatsy (Fr) (Martaline {GB}) (lot 15) topped the single-session Tattersalls Ireland Cheltenham April Sale, selling for £130,000 to Aidan O'Ryan and Gordon Elliott. A winner of a Mar. 11 point-to-point, the Monbeg Stables offering was second in another point-to-point on Mar. 31. The 4-year-old grey was one of 25 lots to find a new home on Thursday, as the sale grossed £1,265,600. The average was £50,620 (-41%) and the median was £47,000 (-6%).

"Whilst it has been a terrific season at the Tattersalls Ireland Cheltenham Sales thus far--this evening's April Sale is the first one to show a decrease in the key indicators," said Tattersalls Ireland Director of Horses in Training Richard Pugh said. "Comparing sales to previous year however will never apply to select form sales such as this one in the same way as it does to sales with more substantial catalogue quantities. April 2017 bounced back from a relatively low comparable turnover in 2016 to return exceptional results last year."

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Thursday's Results:

6th-NEW, £10,000, Cond, 4-19, 3yo, 10fT, 2:04.72, gd.

NORDIC LIGHTS (GB) (c, 3, Intello {Ger}--Marika {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Marju {Ire}), who scored in taking fashion on debut over 10 furlongs on Lingfield's Polytrack Mar. 7, raced towards the fore throughout the early stages. In front with a half mile remaining, the 5-2 second favourite was joined and headed soon after by the strong-travelling Argentello (Ire) (Intello {Ger}) but stuck to the task to regain the advantage approaching the final furlong. Staying on stoutly, the 575,000gns TATBRE 2yo had two lengths to spare over Raa Atoll (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) at the line, with Argentello fading to be five lengths further away in third and The Queen's Elector (GB) (Dansili {GB}) another five lengths back in fourth having made the early running. "He broke the track record here breezing and although he did it the nice way around first time when he was slow out of gates, we expected him to do it like he did today," commented trainer Charlie Appleby whose purple patch continues. "He's a nice horse and I think he'll get further, but I'll sit on the fence for a bit and digest the week." Nordic Lights, who as Appleby stated caused a stir on day one of last year's Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale and duly became the most expensive progeny of his sire at that point, is a half-

brother to Sabratak (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), MSW & GSP-Fr, \$165,478, and to Raw Impulse (GB) (Makfi {GB}), SW-Aus, \$191,238. The listed-winning dam is a half to the G3 Fred Darling S. winner Sueboog (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), who in turn produced one of Godolphin's stalwarts in the G1 Prix d'Ispahan and G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano scorer Best of the Bests (Ire) (Machiavellian). Her 2-year-old colt is by Charm Spirit (Ire) and she also has a yearling colt by Kingman (GB). Sales history: 95,000gns Wlg '15 TATFOA; 100,000gns RNA Ylg '16 TATOCT; 575,000gns 2yo '17 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$14,400.

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O-Godolphin; B-Shutford Stud (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.

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7th-NEW, £10,000, Cond, 4-19, 3yo, 10fT, 2:08.67, gd.

STAR OF SOUTHWOLD (FR) (c, 3, Le Havre {Ire}--Into the Wild {Fr}, by Great Journey {Jpn}), sixth on debut behind Juddmonte's promising Crossed Baton (GB) (Dansili {GB}) over this trip at Kempton Mar. 31, was ignored at 28-1 but showed early speed to race in a close-up second. **Cont. p10**



Nordic Lights (Intello), a 575,000gns Tattersalls Craven graduate, wins impressively at Newmarket for William Buick & Godolphin. | [racingfotos.com](#)

7th-NEW Cont.

Always travelling like the best horse in the race, the €110,000 ARAUG yearling took command with three furlongs remaining and only needed to be shaken up to comfortably administer a 3 1/4-length beating to Stream of Stars (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}). Howman (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), the 450,000gns TATOCT half-brother to Lillie Langtry (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), stayed on late to finish another two lengths away in third. The winner is the first runner for the dam, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Evasive (GB) named Evasive Docha (Fr). She is a half to the G3 Prix Cleopatre winner and GII Diana H. third Garendare (GB) (Vacarme) and the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte-winning sire Roi Gironde (Ire) (Fairy King). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,189.

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O-Middleham Park Racing XXXIII; B-S.C. Snig Elevage (FR); T-Richard Hannon.

4th-NC, £5,800, Cond, 4-19, 2yo, 5f (AWT), 1:01.97,
st.

SABRE (GB) (c, 2, Mayson {GB}--Crinkle {Ire}, by Distant Relative {Ire}), sent off at 15-2, raced keenly without cover early before being sheltered behind the rest of the field. Stopped in his run and out of contention with a furlong remaining, the 28,000gns TAOCT yearling showed a telling surge when in the clear to strike the front within 100 yards and readily score by three lengths from Moojim (Ire) (Moohaajim {Ire}). Sabre is the last known foal out of the unraced dam, whose son Wave Aside (GB) (Reset {Aus}) was third in the Listed Redcar Two-Year-Old Trophy. A half-sister to the G2 Richmond S. third Cedarberg (UAE) (Cape Cross {Ire}), she is also related to the sire Desert Style (Ire) (Green Desert). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,330.

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O-Mrs Janis MacPherson; B-Rosyground Stud (GB); T-Richard Fahey.

7th-NC, £5,800, Cond, 4-19, 3yo/up, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:27.87,
st.

EMARAATY (GB) (c, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Zee Zee Top {GB} {G1SW-Fr, SW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-Ire, \$270,501}, by Zafonic), the joint-top lot alongside Glorious Journey (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) at the 2016 Tattersalls October Sale at 2.6million gns, had impressed to earn **TDN Rising Star** status over seven furlongs at Newbury in September prior to disappointing when eighth of nine in the G1 Dewhurst S. at Newmarket the following month. Again free in this easy reintroduction, the 1-5 favourite tanked along in second and when separated from the field by Jim Crowley approaching the three-furlong pole began to stamp his authority on the contest. Untroubled in the run to the line, he had six lengths to spare over Runway (GB) (Sepoy {Aus}) there.

Emaraaty is a half-brother to the former John Gosden-trained G1 Prix Jean Romanet and G1 Pretty Polly S. heroine Izzi Top (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), G1SW-Fr & Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, \$734,076, and G2 Prix de la Nonette scorer and G1 Prix de l'Opera runner-up Jazzi Top (GB) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Fr, SW-Eng, \$275,616. He is out of the 2003 G1 Prix de l'Opera heroine Zee Zee Top, a daughter of the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Colorspin (Fr) (High Top {Ire}) who also produced the G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S., G1 Eclipse S. and G1 Coronation Cup-winning European champion and sire Opera House (GB) and star stayer Kayf Tara (GB). The third dam is the G3 Lingfield Oaks Trial and G3 Lancashire Oaks-winning Meon Valley Stud foundation mare Reprocolor (GB) (Jimmy Reppin {GB}), whose many classy descendants also include Tuesday's Listed Feilden S. winner Mildenberger (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) and last year's G3 Rose of Lancaster S. scorer Ballet Concerto (GB) (Dansili {GB}). Zee Zee Top also has a 2-year-old filly by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$12,688. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Meon Valley Stud (GB); T-John Gosden.

2nd-NEW, £15,000, Debutantes, 4-19, 3yo, 8ft, 1:39.68, gd.

SAWWAH (GB) (c, 3, New Approach {Ire}--Mudaaraah {GB} {SW & GSP-Eng}, by Cape Cross {Ire}), sent off at 25-1 in this Wood Ditton S. placed more centrally in the Craven meeting's program this year, was reserved towards the rear early racing up the stand's rail. Picking up rivals heading downhill, the homebred struck the front with just over a furlong remaining and surged up the ascent to the line for a two-length success from Rock Force (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}). Military Band (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), the half-brother to Cracksman (GB) (Frankel {GB}), briefly flattered but faded into sixth. Winning trainer Owen Burrows said, "He'd been working well at home, but I'd only been able to get them on the grass twice. I ran two here on Tuesday and one of them had been working well and ran no sort of race, so I just thought I was further behind than I originally believed. He galloped out strongly and picked up well. We'll see how he comes out of it and have a look in a couple of weeks." The dam Mudaaraah was a useful juvenile, winning the Listed Star S. and finishing second in the G3 Prestige S. A half-sister to the listed-winning dam of the G3 Prix Noailles scorer Raseed (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) from the family of the MG1SW Bahri (Riverman) and fellow sire Bahhare (Woodman), she has a 2-year-old filly by Dansili (GB) named Maktabba (GB) and a yearling filly by Muhaarar (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,785. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (GB); T-Owen Burrows.

British Report Cont.

5th-NEW, £10,000, Mdn, 4-19, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:25.56, gd.
SHEIKHA REIKA (FR) (f, 3, Shamardal--Screen Star {Ire}, by Tobougg {Ire}), a 550,000gns TATOCT yearling, had run creditably in decent company at two and finished second to the smart Godolphin fillies Soliloquy (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Hadith (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) at Ascot in September and Nottingham in October. Settled behind the early leaders travelling easily, the 5-4 favourite arrived at the front with minimal effort approaching the quarter pole and was pushed out to score by three lengths from Ocala (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}). "Maybe I was running over a furlong too far last year," trainer Roger Varian commented. "She'll get the mile well this year, but she worked like a nice filly last year and I got her beat three times. I think she was beaten by nice fillies. I'm delighted she's won and I think she has a bright future. I'll speak to the owner about plans, but I think she's a nice one to look forward to." The dam, who was the impressive winner on her sole career start, was responsible for the G1 Cheveley Park S.-winning English highweight Lumiere (GB), also by Shamardal, G1SW-Eng, \$329,674. Her 2-year-old colt is by Authorized (Ire) and her yearling colt is by Golden Horn (GB). Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, \$14,818. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Mark Johnston Racing Ltd (FR); T-Roger Varian.

HANDICAP RESULT:

8th-NEW, £13,200, 4-19, 3yo, 8fT, 1:40.40, gd.
BREATH CAUGHT (GB) (c, 3, Bated Breath {GB}--Double Crossed {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Caerleon) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$16,778. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Ralph Beckett. *1/2 to Twice Over (GB) (Observatory), Ch. Older Horse-Eur, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng at 9 1/2-11f, MG1SW-Eng, GSW-Fr & UAE, GISP-US & G1SP-Ire, \$4,033,121.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

7th-RIP, £6,000, 4-19, 3yo, 12f 10yT, 2:47.81, sf.
YABASS (IRE) (c, 3, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Fresh Mint {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$12,835. O-The Ride The Lightning Partnership; B-Grangecon Stud (IRE); T-Archie Watson. *28,000gns Ylg '16 TAOCT. **1/2 to Canary Row (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), SW-Ire, \$175,628.

6th-NC, £5,800, 4-19, 3yo/up, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:30.58, st.
TANSEEQ (GB) (c, 3, Havana Gold {Ire}--Roslea Lady {Ire}, by Alhaarth {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$12,199. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shortgrove Manor Stud (GB); T-William Haggas. *28,000gns RNA Wlg '15 TATFOA; £160,000 Ylg '16 GOUKPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Light My Fire (Ire), f, 2, Dragon Pulse (Ire)--Shawaaty (Ire), by Monsun (Ger). RIP, 4-19, 5fT, 1:04.54. B-Seamus O'Neill (IRE). €9,500 RNA Wlg '16 GOFNOV; €23,000 Ylg '17 TIRSEP.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

3.00 Newbury, Mdn, £8,550, 3yo, f, 10fT

HAZARFIYA (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) is a half-sister to the 2016 G1 English and Irish Derby hero Harzand (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) who bids to build on a debut third over a mile here in October. Newsells Park Stud's homebred represents the Sir Michael Stoute stable and meets Lord Lloyd-Webber's newcomer **Lah Ti Dar (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a John Gosden-trained daughter of the MG1SW Dar Re Mi (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) and therefore a full-sister to the G1SP So Mi Dar (GB).

5.05 Newbury, Debutantes, £8,550, 3yo, f, 7fT

SOLAR GOLD (IRE) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) is a half-sister to the G1 Prix Jean Prat-winning sire Havana Gold (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) who represents Mary-Anne Parker and the Charlie Hills stable. Richard Hannon saddles Al Shaqab Racing's **Hesterya (Ire) (Kodiac {GB})**, a 260,000gns TATOCT full-sister to the G3 Firth of Clyde S. winner Shaden (Ire).

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FRANCE

**Thursday's Results:**

2nd-LCP, €35,000, Cond, 4-19, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:44.79, vsf.
SHUTKA (FR) (f, 3, Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}--Pearlescence {GSP-Fr}, by Pleasantly Perfect), who graduated in her third go tackling one mile at Toulouse last time Mar. 12, was sharply into stride and led from the outset of this one. Maintaining control throughout, the 19-5 chance was roused into action passing the quarter-mile marker and kept on well under continued urging in the closing stages to hold Castellar (Fr) (American Post {GB}) by a half length. The €48,000 ARQDEC foal is one of two winners and the latest representative of G3 Prix Minerve placegetter Pearlescence (Pleasantly Perfect), herself a half-sister to G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf and G1 Matriarch S. heroine Starine (Fr) (Mendocino). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, €32,300. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Alain Jathiere & Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois; B-Alain Jathiere, Dream With Me Stable Inc & Mme Ariane Gravereaux (FR); T-Antoine de Watrigant.

French Report Cont.

5th-LCP, €35,000, Cond, 4-19, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:44.16, vsf.
MER ET NUAGES (FR) (c, 3, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Mahnaz {GB} {SP-Fr}, by Dansili {GB}), who bettered a Nov. 8 debut third tackling one mile at Chantilly with a breakthrough score upped to 9 1/2 panels back there on sophomore return last time Mar. 26, was settled at the tail of the field for most of this turf bow. Making ominous headway under urging in the straight, the 49-10 chance quickened smartly inside the final furlong to collar Wusool (Speightstown) by a neck in the dying stride. He is the only registered foal produced by Listed Prix Belle de Nuit second Mahnaz (GB) (Dansili {GB}), herself a daughter of dual stakes winner Minaccia (Ger) (Platini {Ger}). Minaccia is responsible for five black-type performers in total, headed by MGSW G1 Prix Royal-Oak runner-up Macleya (Ger) (Winged Love {Ire}) and G3 Prix de Barbeville victor Montclair (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), and is from a family which features G1 Preis der Diana heroine Mystic Lips (Ger) (Generous {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, €35,550.

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O-Mme Elisabeth Fabre; B-Ecurie Peregrine SAS (FR); T-Andre Fabre.

1st-LCP, €25,000, Mdn, 4-19, unraced 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:46.18, vsf.
INDEED (GB) (g, 3, Showcasing {GB}--Argumentative {GB} {MSP-Fr}, by Observatory) received a bump leaving the boxes and was fired up in third before settling fourth after the initial exchanges. Coming under pressure soon after turning for home, the 19-5 chance challenged approaching the final eighth and was ridden out in the closing stages to prevail by a half length from Orbaan (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The bay is the third scorer produced by Listed Prix Amandine and Listed Prix de la Cochere third Argumentative (GB) (Observatory) and he is kin to G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud hero Epicuris (GB) (Rail Link {GB}) and a yearling filly by Make Believe (GB). Argumentative is herself out of a winning half to G3 Prix Fille de l'Air victress Dance Dress (Nureyev), who in turn is the dam of GII Buena Vista H. and GII Santa Ana H. heroine Costume (GB) (Danehill). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-Henri-Francois Devin.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-CHB, €30,000, Cond, 4-19, 3yo, 9f 165yT, 2:07.52, vsf.
SADARAK (FR) (c, 3, Myboycharlie {Ire}--Sadiyna {Fr}, by Sinndar {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, €36,240. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

7th-LCP, €28,000, Cond, 4-19, 4yo/up, 5fT, :56.70, vsf.
MOON TROUBLE (IRE) (g, 5, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Shake the Moon {Ger} {SP-Fr}, by Loup Solitaire) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 18-3-4-3, €110,640. O-Mme Melissa O'Neill, Noel R Wilson & David Barlow; B-Haras du Mezeray SA (IRE); T-Eoghan O'Neill.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Emin (Ire), c, 3, Camelot (GB)--Chocolat Chaud (Ire), by Excellent Art (GB). CHB, 4-19, 13fT, 3:07.47. B-Team Hogdala AB (IRE). *€40,000 Ylg '16 AROCT.

La Houblonniere (Fr), f, 3, Le Havre (Ire)--Mixed Intention (Ire) (MSW & MGSP-Fr, \$206,795), by Elusive City. CHB, 4-19, 9f 165yT, 2:10.19. B-Franklin Finance SA (FR).

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS**IN UNITED STATES:**

So Hi Society (Ire), f, 3, Society Rock (Ire)--Lilac Mist (GB), by Spectrum (Ire). Aqueduct, 4-18, Alw. (NW1X, Opt. Clm.) (\$73.5k), 1mT, 1:37.85. B-Robert Ryan & Brendan & Joan Quinn (Ire). *€5,000 Ylg '16 TIRSEP; £62,000 2yo '17 GOFBRE; €180,000 HRA '17 ARQARC. **SP-Eng.

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Santa Monica (GB), m, 5, Mastercraftsman (Ire)--Zacchera (GB), by Zamindar. Keeneland, 4-18, Alw. (NW2X) (\$63,807), 1 1/2mT, 2:32.54. B-D. J. Erwin Bloodstock (GB). *30,000gns Wlg '13 TATFOA; 120,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT; 375,000gns HRA '17 TATDEC. **GSW-Ire.

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WORLDWIDE NEWS**OUTRAGEOUS CHAMPAGNE S.**

By Dane Squance

With two top level chances in Saturday's G1 Moet & Chandon Champagne S. over 1600m at Randwick, Team Hawkes' runners **Outrageous (Aus)** (All Too Hard {Aus}) and **Irukandji (Aus)** (Dundeel {NZ}) look capable of continuing their impressive form of late. Third in the G1 Sires' Produce S. over a furlong shorter on Apr. 7, the Brenton Avdulla-ridden Outrageous gained clear running when it was too late last start before charging home, indicating that the step up to the mile should suit. **Cont. p13**



El Dorado Dreaming winning the Sires' Produce | Bronwen Healy

Outrageous Champagne S. Cont.

A winner of the G3 Baillieu Qty (1400m) on Mar.31, the Spendthrift Australia-raced Irukandji, like his stablemate, indicates that the 1600m of Saturday's race should suit and from gate four has the option of going forward, or settling behind those that try to cross him.

One of only two runners in the field to have contested the G1 Golden Slipper S. and the G1 Sires' Produce S., the Hayes, Hayes and Dabernig-trained **Long Leaf (Aus)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) finished in fourth last start after working home well out of the pack, and if still capable of performing at his peak on his fifth run in this campaign, should be a contender. Seemingly surprising all bar her trainer and owner by winning the G1 Sires' Produce S. as the outsider of the field, **El Dorado Dreaming (Aus)** (Ilovethiscity {Aus}) needs to be included once again, purely just to show that her Group 1 victory was no fluke.

Successful in the G2 VRC Sires' on Mar. 10, before a very unlucky run in the Sires' Produce, the Ciaran Maher-trained **Not A Single Cent (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) is looking to atone here, and a win would give his dam a second Group 1 winner in the space of a few weeks, with the colt being a half-brother to triple Group 1 winner Happy Clapper (Aus) (Teofilo {Ire}). With his dam capturing this race in 2013, Godolphin's well-bred colt **Encryption (Aus)** (Lonhro {Aus}) had the gun run in the Sires', a race also won by his dam Guelph (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), but failed to really make an impression, when beaten just under two lengths into sixth. His sire and dam recorded 11 combined Group 1 wins at 1600m and above, so on paper this colt should be in the finish.

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'ARTIST' SEEKS THIRD GROUP 1 WIN

By Dane Squance

Stunning when capturing the G1 TJ Smith S. on Apr. 14 by two lengths, his second elite level score, the Gerald Ryan-trained **Trapeze Artist (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) looks hard to beat in Saturday's G1 All-Aged S. over 1400m. Jumping around slightly in his distances of late, the 3-year-old colt will surely secure himself a more lucrative stud deal if he can claim a third Group 1 victory.

Around this time last year, Godolphin's **It's Somewhat** (Dynaformer) resumed with a Group 3 win followed a victory over this year's G1 Doncaster winner Happy Clapper (Aus) (Teofilo {Ire}) before travelling to Queensland for further stakes success. If anywhere near that form, the 7-year-old could surprise quite a few. Three runs back over 1400m saw **Brave Smash (Jpn)** (Tosen Phantom {Jpn}) snared the G1 Futurity S. at Caulfield and having never finished out of the places at the trip, the Darren Weir-trained A\$2.3m earner puts up a strong case. Second on four occasions from five starts at the trip, including second in this race last year, the Kris Lees-trained **Le Romain (Aus)** (Hard Spun) will be third-up after a pleasing fourth behind Trapeze Artist in the TJ Smith S.

Placed in three of his four runs this time in, blue-blood colt **Showtime (Aus)** (Snitzel {Aus}) is likely to sit handy, and if the pace is only moderate, he could sprint when rounding the turn and be hard to run down. Winless since the Listed Albury Cup in March 2016, but with 11 placed efforts, all at black-type level since, the Chris Waller-trained **Tom Melbourne (Ire)** (Dylan Thomas {Ire}) is statistically a place chance, although categorically he's not a winning chance.

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Trapeze Artist is bidding for his third Group 1 win | Darren Tindale

'Artist' Seeks Third Group 1 Win Cont.

Not having raced since his failure in the G1 Australian Cup over 2000m at Flemington, Godolphin's **Hartnell (GB)** (Authorized {Ire}) drops back to the trip of his most recent Group 1 victory, when winning the CF Orr S. at Caulfield in February. Given an easy time in a recent barrier trial, jockey Hugh Bowman rides the 7-year-old in an attempt to reinvigorate the multiple Group 1 winner.

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Rich Hill Stud 2018 Roster & Fees

Stallion	Fee (NZ\$)
Satono Aladdin (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn})*	12,500
Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger})	15,000
Shocking (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire})	10,000
Proisir (Aus) (Choisir {Aus})	7,000
Jimmy Choux (NZ) (Thorn Park {Aus})	5,000

*Indicates new stallion.

ASIA

Wednesday's Result:

TOKYO SPRINT-Listed, ¥45,900,000
 (US\$427,330/£300,949/€346,029), Oi, 4-18, 4yo/up, 1200m,
 1:11.80, sy.

1--**GRACEFUL LEAP (JPN), 126, h, 8, Gold Allure (Jpn)**

1st Dam: Rabbit Foot, by Seeking the Gold

2nd Dam: Argentario, by Believe It

3rd Dam: Away, by Blue Prince

O-Shinji Maeda; B-North Hills (Jpn); T-Shinsuke Hashiguchi;
 J-Yutaka Take; ¥27,000,000. Lifetime Record: 41-11-8-2.

2--**Kitasan Mikazuki (Jpn), 126, h, 8, by King Halo (Jpn)**--Kitasan
 Jewelry (Jpn), by Sakura Bakushin-Oh (Jpn). O-Ono Shoji Inc.;
 B-Minoru Hironaka (Jpn); ¥9,450,000.

3--**Nero (Jpn), 123, h, 7, by Johannesburg**--Nishino Takarazuka
 (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. O-Shigeyuki Nishiyama; B-Honkiri
 Farm (Jpn); ¥5,400,000.

Margins: 1HF, HF, NK; Odds: 10.70, 6.70, 4.30. **VIDEO.**



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