

## 2019 KENTUCKY SIRES: ESTABLISHED SIRES



Lookin At Lucky | Coolmore photo

by Chris McGrath

The whole thing's crazy, really.

In five previous installments of this series, we've surveyed a dizzying variety of young stallions--among which only a single intake has even undertaken the cursory test of actually loading some adolescent stock into the starting gate.

The percentage of mares sent to these unproven sires is pretty horrifying, when you consider how quickly most of them will promptly be written off--more often than not on the self-fulfilling basis that their fees, books and sale dividends start to fall as soon as they get anywhere near exposure on the track. You have to get very lucky to stumble across one that not only survives the initial commercial ordeal of the sales ring, courtesy of a wholly unreliable consensus, but then conjures enough credits from his first couple of crops on the track to prevent a terminal freefall in his book.

For every Pioneer of The Nile or Uncle Mo, standing at six figures after pulling an American Pharoah or Nyquist out of their hats, there will be a cavalry of stallions very soon banished to regional or overseas service. They trudge away like pawns cynically sacrificed in a recurring stalemate, annually renewed in the hope of someday fluking a move that traps the market in a profitable "check." **Cont. p3**

## SIR ANTHONY GIVES TRAINER MITCHELL A NEW SHOT AT THE BIG TIME

by Nathan Mayberg

Trainer Anthony Mitchell closed 2018 out with a bang when his 3-year-old **Sir Anthony** (Mineshaft) sprung a shocking 25-1 upset of heavily favored GI Kentucky Derby third-place finisher Audible (Into Mischief) in the GIII Harlan's Holiday S. at Gulfstream Park Dec. 15, but the veteran conditioner said he is resisting any temptation to press on toward a potential start in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational Jan. 26.

Mitchell, who trains the ridgling for American Academy of Art president Richard Otto, has been based in Chicago for the last 20 years, but has spent more than four decades in the horse-training business. He has trained some nice fillies, including graded stakes winners Original Spin (Distorted Humor), Lovely Afternoon (Afternoon Deelites) and Summer Mis (Summer Squall). **Cont. p12**

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Mexico's undefeated Triple Crown winner **Kukulkan (Mex)** (Point Determined), last seen winning the \$300,000 Clasico del Caribe Dec. 8 at Gulfstream Park, will have the services of international champion jockey Frankie Dettori Jan. 26 when he goes to post in the \$9-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational, the richest race in North America.



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**Established Sires cont. from p1**

But if history tells us that new sires are never again likely to command as high a fee, then conversely there is real value to be had among the survivors. Not so much the sire kings, the War Fronts and Tapits, as those knights and bishops who quietly fight their corner, achieving far more than will ever be within the competence of even the most glamorous of new names.

If such proven achievers are often said to lack commercial appeal, then that is another sad reflection on an industry that too often sets out to breed yearlings rather than racehorses. For the end user, however, that's a beautiful situation. And for farms trying to build up families, likewise.

In the end, that's the great thing about this business--at least for those who can afford to back their judgement. If you think everyone else is wrong, then you can go out there and take advantage. And, at the wire, everyone can find out who was right, and who was wrong.

To be fair, moreover, there's still commercial value to be found among those sires who are establishing a track profile. War Front and Tapit, after all, had to earn their stripes: in War Front's fourth season Claiborne was down to \$10,000 and making deals for their \$250,000 top gun, and Gainesway had Tapit at \$12,500 until his runners started advertising what he could do.

So let's have a browse through the sires who are able to let their runners do the talking, rather than the advertising agencies.

Nobody, of course, needs telling that a stallion commanding a big fee might be able to get a runner. True, it's alarming to see the champion freshman in Europe catapulted to €100,000 from €25,000 after a single crop. Among those who form what remains of the lower-to-middle market, however, we'll try to pick out a few value bets.

**RUN AWAY AND HIDE (City Zip), \$6,500, Darby Dan**



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The City Zip story has only grown more remarkable since his death in 2017, with yet another Breeders' Cup winner in Bulletin and a potential GI Kentucky Derby contender in Improbable. His legacy will soon be contested accordingly, but for now one of the most accomplished sons available to transfer the genes of Ghostzapper's half-brother is quietly producing very solid results off fees that have never exceeded \$7,500.

Precocious enough to break his maiden over 4 1/2 furlongs at Keeneland, and to win a Grade III May 1, Run Away And Hide promised to prove a match for later developers when setting a stakes record in the GII Saratoga Special S. in August. Sadly he was then derailed, but he has produced sounder stock himself, notably the redoubtable Are You Kidding Me. From his sire's first crop, he was Grade II-placed as a juvenile and his 2018 success in the GII Eclipse S. at Woodbine, at age eight, took his record in the last four runnings of that race to three wins and a neck defeat.



**Midshipman** | Darley

That admirable campaigner is among the black-type and graded-stakes winners produced by his sire at a ratio comparable to many dignified with a higher fee: to take two random examples, both Pioneerof the Nile and his sire Empire Maker.

Interesting to see Run Away And Hide's book move back up from 65 to 91 last year--perhaps a response to smart juveniles the previous year in Run Away, Grade I-placed after his GII Best Pal S. success; and Ten City, winner of the GIII Bashford Manor S.

It's hardly a mainstream family, but we keep reiterating why that's not always a bad thing. (His third dam, in fact, is by a son of Hyperion!) Anyway what do you expect? Look at the price on the

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**MIDSHIPMAN (Unbridled's Song), \$8,500, Jonabell**

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Liam's Map, Unbridled's Song is getting a posthumous lift as a sire of sires. Certainly you won't go to any of those in 2019 anything like as inexpensively as you can to Midshipman. Yet how many of them will match his quiet consistency as a producer of stakes horses, even with mares superior to those he has always entertained?

Hardly the first son of his sire to prove difficult to hold together subsequently, Midshipman was a champion juvenile on synthetics and the turf elements in his family give his pedigree--the highlight of which is his half-sister, the Grade II-winning dam of Frosted (Tapit)--an intriguing mix. He had graded stakes winners on both dirt and turf in 2018, contributing to a cumulative black-type horse percentage across five crops of better than 12.5%. Again, that beats a lot of horses standing at bigger fees. Midshipman will always roll his sleeves up and look after his clients.



**Orb & Shug McGaughey** | *Sherackatthetrack*

**ORB (Malibu Moon), \$12,500, Claiborne**

This takes a bit of courage, clearly. But his farm has shown plenty, in halving his fee after a generally tame start by his first two crops of runners. And it's no good me spending half this series rebuking the commercial market for a jittery overreaction to early clues, and then failing to recognize that his new fee warrants continued faith in all those things that first made Orb so eligible as a stallion prospect.

He still has that princely family--crowned by his fourth dam, a Bold Ruler half-sister to Ruffian--and that top-class record on the track, unbeaten as he roared through the grades to win the Kentucky Derby. And his ability to throw a handsome yearling kept him unchallenged at the top of the intake in both his first

two years at market.

So it's just silly to decide that his failure to land running (just two black-type winners in 2018) means he can be definitively written off after just a second crop of juvenile starters.

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Especially when one of those two stakes winners stood up against the tide to win at the Grade I level, Sippican Harbor winning the Spinaway S. after a 17-length maiden success at the Spa.

So we know already that he's perfectly capable of producing an elite winner. His studmate Blame (Arch) took much longer to do that, Senga (Fr) winning a French Classic in his fourth year with runners. That came too late to stop Blame's book haemorrhaging from 105 to 48 in 2017. But Claiborne did exactly the same to his fee as they now have with Orb, qualifying Blame as a value pick at \$12,500 this time last year. And the rest is history: his book revived to 112 even as his maturing stock rallied to the cause, two Grade I winners helping his fee straight back up to \$30,000.

Orb finds himself in a similar pickle, his yearling average slumping from \$184,006 in 2017 to \$53,097, with his book

meanwhile down from 125 to 70. But breeders have been given every incentive to roll the dice at his new fee, and I can do no better than reprise exactly the words used of Blame in the equivalent space last year. Because some day you might find yourself looking pretty far-sighted for having sent a mare to Orb in his hour of need.



Midnight Lute | Hill 'n' Dale photo

**MIDNIGHT LUTE (Real Quiet), \$15,000, Hill 'n' Dale**

Last year Midnight Lute was given his second consecutive \$5,000 fee cut and his deeds in 2018 qualify him as real value at this level. Dual Grade I winner Midnight Bisou (also third in both the Kentucky Oaks and Breeders' Cup Distaff) was the obvious highlight, but he had two other make the elite podium and eight graded stakes performers overall. His ratio of

black-type winners and performer to starters, at 4.05 and 7.66%, was at least on a par with (and often better than) many stallions commanding much higher fees.

It's instructive to see him produce a filly like Midnight Bisou



MEDAGLIA D'ORO's **Golden girls**

Multiple G1 winner and \$3m purchase American Gal is booked to Medaglia d'Oro for 2019

I bought American Gal with a very short list of stallions in mind: **Medaglia d'Oro** was at the very top of that list. She's a very accomplished racehorse and deserves a proven sire of **Medaglia d'Oro's** quality and the A.P. Indy line is proven to work on this cross.

Mandy Pope



because the blistering speed he showed as a dual GI Breeders' Cup sprint winner--and as author of that famous 124 Beyer--was notoriously connected to the fact that he more or less raced on one gasp. With a following wind, his page would have entitled him to go two turns and he quickly showed breeders the kind of animal he could pull out of his hat with Mylute, fifth in the Kentucky Derby and third in the GI Preakness from his first crop.

As Real Quiet's outstanding son (auspiciously out of a Dehere mare), he has a cosmopolitan outcross family and it's very interesting to see that he moved his book back up from just 56 mares in 2017 to 93 last year. Midnight Lute could not have ended the campaign more auspiciously, his unbeaten juvenile daughter Midnight Fantasy having won her second stakes race by 10 lengths at Fair Grounds Dec. 30. In his prime at 16, and at such a competitive fee, Midnight Lute has been given every chance by his astute farm and there's no saying what the rewards might yet be.

**SKY MESA (Pulpit), \$15,000, Three Chimneys**

This is one seriously underrated horse. He has all the juvenile class and precocity commercial breeders seek, unbeaten in three starts at two between his Spa maiden, the GI Hopeful and the GII Breeders' Futurity. He has an immensely powerful physique. And he has a royal pedigree, out of a MGSW sister to Bernstein, their dam in turn a half-sister to champion 2-year-old filly Outstandingly (Exclusive Native); the next three dams are by Round Table, Nasrullah and War Admiral and extend directly to the great La Troienne. Oh yes--and, despite a quiet 2018, he has also compiled a record at stud that compares favourably with far more expensive stallions.

Sky Mesa's 65 black-type winners represent just a tick under seven percent of his named foals, and his 125 operators at that level exceed 13%; 24 graded stakes winners and 53 graded stakes horses weigh in at 2.5 and 5.5%. That is a very similar ratio to More Than Ready and Candy Ride (Arg), to name two \$80,000 stallions too excellent to be embarrassed by the comparison. And there are many standing at fees in between who cannot match that level of performance.

True, some of those will have mustered more than three Grade I winners, but even that is good work by Sky Mesa granted the kind of mares he must have been entertaining at that sort of fee. He has just turned 19, which will doubtless cause his book (just 63 in 2018) to be confined by another baseless prejudice. But he's only a year older than Tapit and end-users, who will note his big stats already as a broodmare sire, are not going to get better value out of the Pulpit line.

**CREATIVE CAUSE (Giant's Causeway), \$20,000, Airdrie**

This fellow found himself in a fiercely competitive intake, no

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fewer than 10 individual stallions having already produced a Grade I winner with only a third crop of juveniles on the track. Union Rags (Dixie Union), who has sired four, has broken clear but is now priced accordingly. Of the rest, perhaps Creative Cause has as good a chance as any of breaking into the elite.

Only the nose of I'll Have Another (Flower Alley) in the GI Santa Anita Derby prevented Creative Cause being a Grade I winner at both two and three and he beat Bodemeister (Empire Maker) in the GII San Felipe in between. He derailed after the Preakness but was plainly among the best of his generation and

there is an air of quiet consolidation about his work at Airdrie so far: his biggest book yet this year, off a newly elevated fee, matched by a first elite scorer in Pavel, winner of the GI Stephen Foster H.; plus a Kentucky Derby fifth in \$20,000 yearling bargain My Boy Jack.

Though the dam of Creative Cause was a Grade I winner, and his full brother ran second in the GI Belmont, it's a family that salvages some rare and neglected lines. His damsire Siberian Summer (Siberian Express), for instance, is a half-brother to European blue hen Magnificent Style (Silver Hawk), whose son Nathaniel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) sired champion Enable (GB) in his first crop.

It feels as though this guy is one good horse away from a real breakout. In the contest to succeed his great sire, here is a Cause worth fighting for.

**KANTHAROS (Lion Heart), \$20,000, Hill 'n' Dale**

No explanation needed, by this stage. He's just a horse on his way. And with his bigger, better books, it's only a matter of time before he gets the Grade I winners he needs to warrant bigger hikes in fee than from \$15,000 last year. As it is, off his \$5,000 Florida covers, he has been producing black-type winners and performers at a cumulative rate superior to Malibu Moon, Kitten's Joy, Candy Ride (Arg), Flatter, Tiznow, Bernardini--er,

need I go on?

**LOOKIN AT LUCKY (Smart Strike) & MUNNINGS (Speightstown), both \$20,000, both Ashford**



Munnings | Coolmore photo

These two entered the game in the same year as not only Kantharos, but also Quality Road--who has since disappeared into the \$150,000 stratosphere. A tough grade, then. But both the Ashford pair made a sound start as freshmen in 2014,



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respectively finishing third and fourth by earnings; and Lookin At Lucky top by number of winners, remarkably mustering 29 from just 44 starters.

Their rewards in 2015, however, were radically different. Munnings, inched up to \$12,500 (before a hike to \$25,000 the following year), soared to 196 mares (from 94 the previous year), behind just five other stallions nationally; whereas Lookin At Lucky, raised to \$25,000 from \$15,000, stalled at 115 (from 121). The resulting foals will be the sophomores of 2019, while their imminent crop of 2-year-olds likewise come from books of 182 and 126. The difference was even more pronounced in 2017: Lookin At Lucky had 76 escorts, Munnings 178.

The time has absolutely come, then, for Munnings to start walking the walk. In principle, his better mares and bigger books should kick in now, so he is in a position to make \$20,000 look decent value. While Lookin At Lucky has somehow never built up much of a reputation as a sales sire, Munnings had hardly been knocking it out of the park. But at least his first \$25,000 covers did what they had to in 2018, moving his average up to \$80,590 from \$53,849.

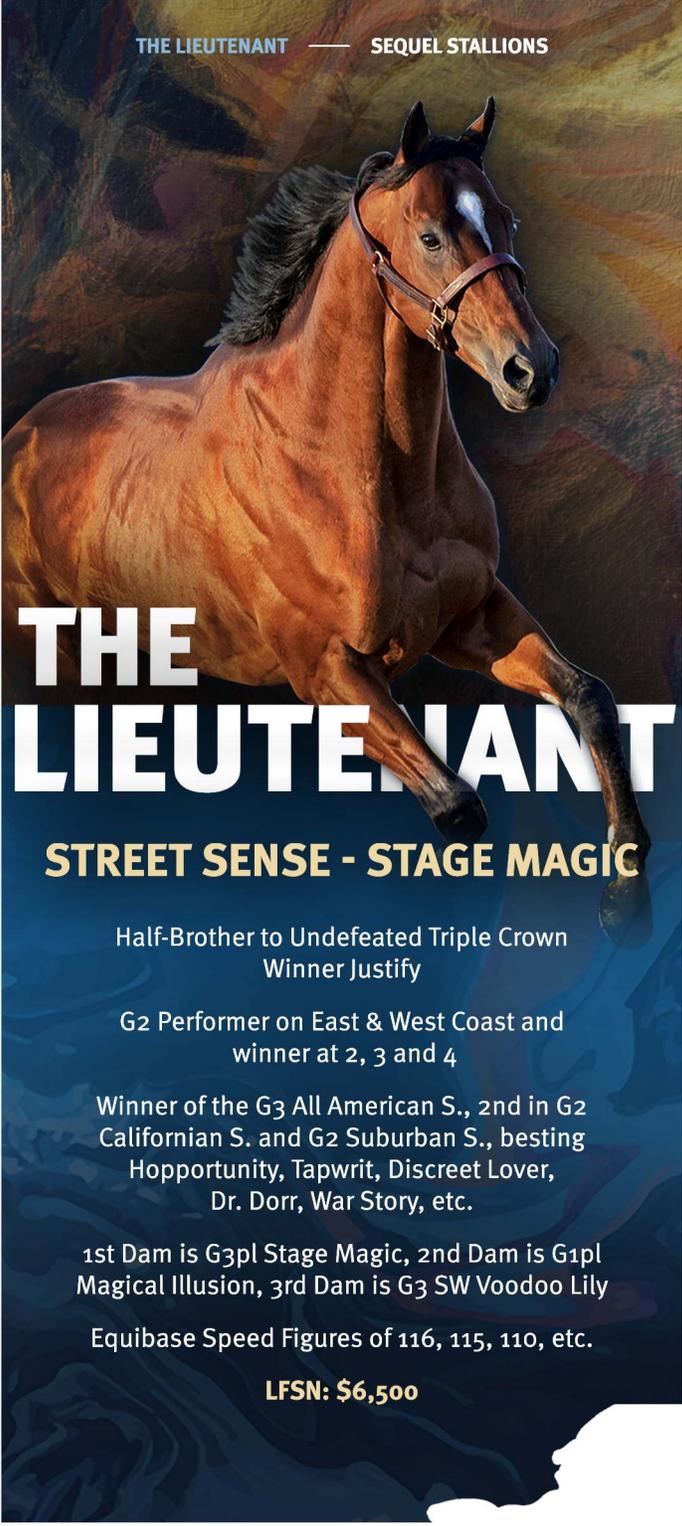
In principle, then, there's a rising tide to catch. But the fact remains that Lookin At Lucky was the better racehorse of the pair, and has now produced a champion in Accelerate--a famously slow burn, from his second crop. Only Monomoy Girl (Tapizar) meanwhile prevented his shuttle daughter Wow Cat (Chi) from matching Accelerate's Breeders' Cup success in the GI Distaff, having already added the GI Beldame to five Group 1s won in her homeland. After serial near-misses at the elite level, Lookin At Lucky has confirmed himself eligible to produce a top-class racehorse off a middle-market fee.

Munnings had a much quieter year on the track, albeit in fairness he already had his pair of Grade I winners. And the fact is that his overall body of work features black-type and graded-stakes winners at the slightly better ratio of the pair, albeit Lookin At Lucky (consistent with his many narrow misses) edges it on aggregates of placed operators at those levels.

Bottom line is that both are at a critical point. One needs due recognition for defying the shallow consensus of the market and proving that he can sire top-class racehorses; the other, conversely, has been given every chance by the market to advance his profile, too. Possibly they will head in different directions now, but you couldn't be surprised if either are standing at a much higher fee a couple of years down the line.

#### **AWESOME AGAIN (Deputy Minister), private, Adena Springs**

There's a whole bunch of ageing stallions who are entitled to feel affronted by the kind of money commanded by showy younger sires, some with no runners at all and others trading on



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just one or two early stars. At WinStar alone, for instance, the veteran Distorted Humor is outrageous value at \$50,000; you could argue that More Than Ready's global imprint also makes him underpriced, even at \$80,000; while Tiznow is a genuine legend who is also making his name as a sire of sires at \$50,000.

Awesome Again is now 25 and listed as private, so his energies are presumably being carefully managed by a farm that also stands his mighty son Ghostzapper (himself, again, reasonably priced at that level of the market at \$85,000). But he has covered 117 mares over the past two years, so there's plenty of life in the old boy as yet. And what a privilege for any breeder to have the chance of a filly, in 2020, by a son of the great Deputy Minister out of a Blushing Groom mare: broodmare sire gold. Sure enough, this year in that capacity Awesome Again was represented by none other than Accelerate.

How much he can be credited for that horse's durability can



**Awesome Again** | *Horsephotos*

perhaps be judged by the fact that Awesome Again is the sire of one of the world's toughest elite sophomores in 2018. Bravazo, Grade I-placed at two, started his campaign with a win on Jan. 13; followed Justify (Scat Daddy) every step of the way through the Triple Crown, beaten just half a length in the Preakness; and wrapped up with a neck defeat in the GI Clark H. on his 11th start of the year in November.

They won't take just any mare off the street, and I have no idea how much they'd charge, but access to Awesome Again remains a priceless privilege.

**BERNARDINI (A.P. Indy), \$50,000, Jonabell**

So, on which side do you stand? By consecutively cutting one of the world's most beautiful and

accomplished stallions from \$100,000 to \$85,000 and now \$50,000, Darley has made it impossible to sit on the fence. At 16, he's clearly at a major crossroads. He has had a painfully slow year on the track, with just two Grade III winners, but his

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For years Bernardini has been a knockout sales sire who has backed it up with 14 individual Grade I winners. Half a dozen of those, moreover, have come in the past five years: it's not as though he has forgotten how to come up with a star since producing GI Travers S. winners--emulating his own success in the race--from his first two crops.

For the end-user, the clincher surely has to be his spectacular start as a broodmare sire. The venerable A.P. Indy topped the 2018 table with black-type winners at 4.66% and 9.81%, eclipsing such broodmare sire legends as Storm Cat (2.71% black-type winners) and his son Giant's Causeway (2.93%). Bernardini produced his at an off-the-charts 7.77% and 12.14%. Aptly enough, his latest Grade I success in this capacity came in the Travers through Catholic Boy (More Than Ready).

Darley recently produced a table ranking broodmare sires by

black-type winners at the equivalent age. Yes, the expansion of the stakes program invalidates comparisons with historic greats in the sphere, but the fact remains that he is comfortably ahead of modern benchmarks in Galileo (Ire), Giant's Causeway and Shamardal.

I guess those playing the long game, at the top end of the market, are not especially bothered by such a purposeful cut to his fee. But value is available at every level of the market, and it would be rude to ignore so generous a gesture.



**Bernardini** | *Darley photo*

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**Trainer Anthony Mitchell celebrates in the winner's circle with his namesake, Sir Anthony | Gulfstream Park photo**

He was an assistant to William Badgett during his reign with Hall of Fame champion Go for Wand. But this is the first time he has a male horse in prime position to take on the toughest foes of the handicap division.

It's taken a lot of patience--a virtue that characterizes Mitchell, along with his modesty. Ask him about the success of Sir Anthony and he will first mention his assistant, partner and

owner Aimee Bohlman. Then he will credit trainer Eoin Harty and his assistant Andy Hansen for looking after Sir Anthony on his trip from Chicago to Florida. Ask him about Go for Wand, and he won't take any credit.

"That was Rose's baby," he said, referring to Rosemary Badgett Hennig, who was the filly's exercise rider.

Mitchell, 60, grew up in the seaside resort town of Brighton, England as the son of a butcher.

"My neighborhood was a working-class area," Mitchell said. "It was a little bit tough, a little bit rough, some kids went the wrong way. My father wanted me to be on the straight and narrow, so he bought me a pony."

Mitchell learned to be a rider, but it wasn't his calling. "I just wasn't good enough. I tried it for a year. I was battling weight."

By 15, he had already left school in order to work full-time for trainer Charlie Moore, working his way up to head lad at the barn.

"Charlie was a very patient trainer who paid attention to detail. He had a very good eye for the horses but didn't have the financial means to buy [the better stock]," he said, adding that his time with Moore taught him valuable skills, such as how to identify physical problems early.

After about 15 years with Moore, Mitchell made the trek to the United States.

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2018	JUSTIFY	101
<b>2017</b>	<b>TAPWRIT</b>	<b>103</b>
2016	CREATOR	99
2015	AMERICAN PHAROAH	105
2014	TONALIST	100
2013	PALACE MALICE	98
2012	UNION RAGS	96
2011	RULER ON ICE	100
2010	DROSSELMAYER	94
2009	SUMMER BIRD	100



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"I pretty much got as far as I was going to go over there," Mitchell said. "In England, they don't train on the track. You need the finances to get into a property."

In New York, he went to work for Thoroughbred trainer Tom Skiffington at Belmont Park, who also had a background as a steeplechase rider. There, he learned how to train horses stabled at the track and how to develop graded stakes horses. Eventually, Skiffington's assistant Richard Schosberg went out on his own and Mitchell would join his good friend as an assistant handling his horses at Aqueduct.

While later working as an assistant to Badgett, he was with Go for Wand in her final moments after she tragically broke down at Belmont Park in the 1990 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff while dueling with Bayakoa. Mitchell ran onto the track and pulled her up after she got back on her feet after collapsing at the sixteenth pole.

"It was the worst day," the trainer recalled. Mitchell used to ride out on a pony in the mornings with Go for Wand and Rose as they went to work.



Go For Wand | Horsephotos

"I really don't think she reached her full potential," he said of the seven-time Grade I winner. "These exceptional horses seem to have an aura about them. They just stand out from the rest. The breezes were so easy for her."

Mitchell's experience with Go For Wand laid the groundwork for his patient approach toward training Sir Anthony, who shares a third dam with 2014 Horse of the Year California Chrome. Mitchell elected to give Sir Anthony a winter break last

year rather than push on toward a Florida campaign--a decision that allowed him to hatch a better plan this winter to prepare for his breakout stakes score. Continuing down the same path, Mitchell doesn't expect to run his muscular grandson of A.P.

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Indy and Smart Strike in the Pegasus--perhaps next year, he said.

"As a 4-year-old, I think he's going to get bigger and better," Mitchell said. "He's still filling out. He's developing muscles on his front end and hind end."

Sir Anthony was bred by his owner, Richard Otto. The two connected when Mitchell was working for Arlington Park magnate Richard Duchossois at his Hill 'N Dale Farm in Illinois in the 1990s. Otto, who has owned horses since being introduced to the sport in 1985 by former Chicago Bears chairman Ed McCaskey, named the horse Sir Anthony because Arlington Park announcer John Dooley refers to Mitchell as "Sir Anthony" when he wins a race.

As for the horse, Sir Anthony is currently resting on a farm in Ocala, awaiting his next assignment. It will likely be another graded stakes in Florida. Mitchell said he wants to give him a month off.

"He's a very cool customer. He's very laid back. Nothing really bothers him too much," said Mitchell, who currently operates a nine-horse barn out of Hawthorne and will base five horses at Gulfstream Park this winter.

The trainer admitted he is savoring the moment.

"I don't get to see graded stakes horses year after year," he said. "I'm very blessed and fortunate. When the times are hard and you're not winning and you put your head down and a horse like Sir Anthony comes around, it makes all the rest of the stuff not so bad."

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## AKINDALE THOROUGHBRED RESCUE MAKES A MAJOR MOVE

by Diana Pikulski



Monumental changes are in the works at Akindale Thoroughbred Rescue (ATBR). Since its inception in 2006, ATBR has primarily operated as a sanctuary situated on an annex of Akindale Farm, the beautiful home and Thoroughbred operation of the late John Hettinger. That is about to change. ATBR is transitioning into the grand Akindale training barn which will be called the A. John Hettinger Rehabilitation Center, home to their new “Reinventing Racehorses” program.

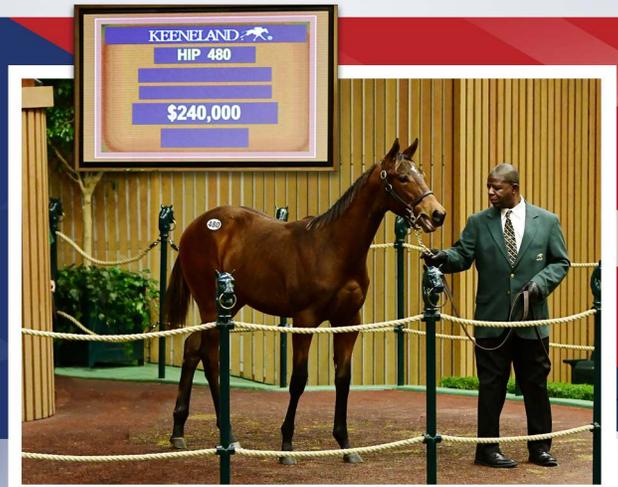
With a grant from Blue Horse Charities, the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance accredited organization modified the training barn into an 18-stall rehabilitation center, built a new outdoor arena and is refurbishing a small barn to be an eight-stall adoption center which will be named the Fasig-Tipton Adoption Center in gratitude of their support. This year, they will be launching a fundraising campaign to construct an indoor training facility. With the indoor arena in place, ATBR’s long-term goal is to begin a therapeutic program for people using sanctuary horses.

“It is a dream come true to be able to relaunch and expand our new ‘Reinventing Racehorses’ rehabilitation and retraining program in the heart of the farm as John always wanted,” said Christina Andrews, Executive Director of ATBR.

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“It’s a big step physically and financially, but we are confident that with our location, reputation, partners and supporters, we will succeed in growing and expanding the program and then raise the funds for a new indoor arena.”

Historically, ATBR adopted out its share of horses but was seasonally restricted. Doing so, in order to make room for new rescues, was of particular interest to Hettinger when he founded the organization. Now, rehabilitation, retraining and adoption will be a primary focus of ATBR and they will accept more horses with that potential.

“We have great partners in Beyond the Wire, Take The Lead, the TCA, TAA as well as many other retirement organizations and private individuals,” Andrews said. “Having a well-designed training center so ideally located will allow us to serve the industry and our partners better than ever.”

The new setting is not only perfect for retraining; it is also sanctuary befitting champions. Among the 130 horses enjoying a forever-home at Akindale are Evening Attire (\$2,977,130), Stud Muffin (\$671,865), Hotstufanthensome (\$756,743), and Callmetony (\$666,446).

For all of us who were close to John Hettinger, having ATBR move to the main part of the farm is joyous but also sad in a way. We are nostalgic for the days when Akindale was a busy breeding and training operation. Training and racing continued after Hettinger’s death in 2008 until 2016 when his longtime trainer and close friend, Kate Feron retired.

Ultimately, rehabilitating and retraining off-track Thoroughbreds is what Hettinger would have wanted for the farm. While he left a trust for care of his retired horses and to get the rescue started, he was clear that ATBR had to fundraise and garner financial support from racing thereby keeping the industry responsible for racehorses needing placement.

“Each decision we make incorporates John’s legacy,” said ATBR Board President D.G. Van Clief. “The steps being taken at the farm today are designed not only to assure that Akindale carries on as one of the country’s most important Thoroughbred rehab

and adoption facilities, but that its operation reflect John’s leadership role in creating second careers for retiring race horses. Our success in fund raising and developing working partnerships is going to be an essential part of the picture.”

In the late 1990s, Hettinger became the most influential advocate for stopping the slaughter of horses. He fought and invested tirelessly to pass federal legislation to outlaw horse slaughter and transportation of horses for slaughter in the United States. While no federal ban on horse slaughter or transportation of horses for slaughter has come to fruition in the United States, currently there is no federal funding for USDA inspection of horse slaughter plants. Therefore no slaughter plants are open here. Tens of thousands of horses are still transported across the borders for slaughter. Immense progress has been made within the Thoroughbred racing industry to try and keep Thoroughbreds out of the slaughter pipeline and this is attributable in large part to Hettinger’s activism.

“There was no greater advocate for a bill to end horse slaughter than Mr. Hettinger,” said federal lobbyist Chris Heyde of Blue Marble Consultants. “We talked almost daily and he gave me invaluable insight on the horse industry, political world and provided powerful business connections that helped propel the 2002 bill to levels we have not seen since his passing. With his loss, our efforts have not had the success in Congress, though I keep fighting in his name because there was no one more passionate about the welfare of the horse than John Hettinger.”

When Hettinger passed away, Ray Paulick wrote: “Of all the things John Hettinger ever said or wrote about horse slaughter, there is one paragraph that has stayed with me. It came from an article he wrote in 2003 and asked me to publish in *the Blood-*

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‘How do we as an industry feel about our horses?’ he wrote. ‘Are we horse lovers? Are these animals, who work for us in one way or another throughout their entire lives, sensitive and capable of trust, courage and generosity of spirit? Or are they fast cows without horns?’

Fast cows without horns? That line got me. Until then, I was ambivalent about slaughter, because I considered horses “livestock,” which, technically, they are. But that simple but brilliant observation taught me there are different kinds of livestock--the kind that are bred and raised for human consumption, and the kind that are bred and raised for sport, but end up in the food chain by unfortunate circumstances.

Thank you, Mr. Hettinger, for helping me finally understand what was so clear to you.”

ATBR is now poised to realize its fullest potential and the dreams of Hettinger. By continuously and publically showing the worth and abilities of Thoroughbreds both sound and unsound, ATHR is showing the importance of federal legislation outlawing the transport of horses for slaughter. The other good news is that thanks to Hettinger, the farm is there to stay. During his life, he put the entire farm in conservation easement.

To learn more about Akindale Thoroughbred Horse Rescue and how you can support the mission of John Hettinger, contact [Chris@akindalehorserescue.org](mailto:Chris@akindalehorserescue.org) or go to [www.akindalehorserescue.org](http://www.akindalehorserescue.org). Diana Pikulski is the editor of the *Thoroughbred Adoption Network*.

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**GULFSTREAM’S TOTAL HANDLE TOPS \$2 BILLION IN 2018 ALL-TIME RECORD HANDLE**



Gulfstream | Robert Duyos

A record \$2.01 billion was wagered via Gulfstream Park in 2018, representing a \$122.7 million increase over the previous



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## A LEADING SON OF A.P. INDY

Stakes performers in December include:

**SIR ANTHONY**, Harlan’s Holiday S. (G3) defeating G1W Audible

**TRUE TIMBER**, 2nd Cigar Mile H. (G1) by 3/4 length

**OUR SUPER FREAK**, 3rd Gin Talking S., multiple stakes performer



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record in 2017. Live wagering was up from \$1.632 billion to \$1.75 billion despite two fewer days of racing.

Gulfstream's 2018 highlights included the second-running of the \$16-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational, won by Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), named Horse of the Year two days earlier at the Eclipse Awards at Gulfstream Park. All-sources handle on the Pegasus was a then-record \$41 million, a 4% increase over the 2017 inaugural running. The 67th running of the GI Florida Derby, won by Audible (Into Mischief), generated a total handle of \$49.909 million, a single-day record handle.

"We're grateful for all the support we received in 2018 from fans and horsemen," said Gulfstream's General Manager Bill Badgett. "The quality of racing, the stars both human and equine who participated at Gulfstream were incredible. We continue to rebuild year-round racing in Florida with the help of breeders, owners and horsemen. While we're pleased with the record growth the past two years in handle, we believe there is room to continue growing. The Stronach Group's commitment to reinvigorate Thoroughbred racing is evident by its pursuit of improved customer service, relevant entertainment and fine dining."

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## DETTORI TO RIDE UNDEFEATED KUKULKAN IN PEGASUS



Frankie Dettori | Leslie Martin

Mexico's undefeated Triple Crown winner **Kukulkan (Mex)** (Point Determined), last seen winning the \$300,000 Clasico del Caribe Dec. 8 at Gulfstream Park, will have the services of

## 9 Stakes winners in 2018 including 3 juveniles:

**PLEASE FLATTER ME** won the **Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies Stakes** by 4 lengths and the **Gin Talking Stakes** at Laurel Park on Saturday by 5¾ lengths *(pictured)* ▶

**WAKEFIELD** won the **Texas Thoroughbred Futurity** at Lone Star Park

**MONEY FROM HEAVEN** won the **Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship Stakes** at Laurel Park

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international champion jockey Frankie Dettori Jan. 26 when he goes to post in the \$9-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational, the richest race in North America. "He's really interested to ride," trainer Fausto Gutierrez said. "He will be arriving that week [of Pegasus]." Kukulcan is scheduled to breeze twice in Mexico before leaving Jan. 17 for Gulfstream.

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## STORMY LIBERAL AIMING FOR DUBAI



Stormy Liberal | Horsephotos

Two-time GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint winner **Stormy Liberal** (Stormy Atlantic), runner-up as the 4-5 favorite in Santa Anita's GIII Joe Hernandez S. on New Year's Day, remains on schedule for the G1 Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan Mar. 30. The 7-year-old finished a good second in the race last year.

"All systems go," said co-owner Brian Trump of Rockingham Ranch. "He's definitely being pointed to Dubai. There are not many Grade I turf sprints here in the U.S. and he has shown us that he belongs with the top turf sprinters in the world. We will take it one prep at a time, but 'Stormy' wants the Al Quoz Sprint title."

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# MAJOR UPDATES!

3YO NOW A WINNER / 2YO NOW A STAKES WINNER!

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**Barn 2**      **PARTY OF INTEREST**      **Hip No. 73**  
**Dark Bay or Brown Mare; foaled 2009**

Seattle Slew  
Weekend Surprise  
Quiet American  
Oil Field

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Bernardini  
Cara Rebel  
Seeking the Gold  
Search Party (1997)  
Deputation

Mr. Prospector  
Don Game  
Daisy Minister  
Wildling Party

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**1st dam**  
**Search Party**, by Seeking the Gold, 6 wins at 3 and 4, \$258,254, 3rd Affectionately H. (G3) (AQU, \$12,474), Personal Ensign S. (L) (MTH, \$8,250). Sister to **Manco (G3)**, half-sister to **Proxy Statement (G2)** Dam of 10 registered foals, 10 of racing age, 10 to race, 5 winners, including—  
**CRIMINOLOGIST** (f. by Maria's Mon), 9 wins, 3 to 5, \$554,313, Cardinal H. (G3) (CD, \$98,964), Noble Damsel H. (G3) (BEL, \$67,020), Athena H. (G3) (BEL, \$65,460), Beaugay H. (G3) (AQU, \$64,920), Perfect Storm S.-R (SAR, \$49,020)-ncr, 1 1/8 mi. in 1:46 3/5, 3rd Athena H. (G3) (BEL, \$11,020). Dam of 6 foals, 4 to race, 3 winners, including—  
**INSPECTOR LYNLEY** (c. by Lemon Drop Kid), 4 wins, 3 to 5, 2018, \$533,099, Saranac S. (G3) (SAR, \$180,000), Tampa Bay S. (G3) (TAM, \$90,000), Fessy-Tipton Lure S. (LH) (GAR, \$55,000), 2nd Wise Dan S. (G2) (CD, \$39,200), 3rd Knickerbocker S. (G2) (BEL, \$24,000), etc.  
**Rescue Squad** (c. by Dynaformer), 3 wins, 2 to 5, \$204,929, in N.A.U.S., 2nd Red Smith H. (G2) (AQU, \$30,000), Bryan Station S. (G3) (KEE, \$25,000), winner at 6 in Saudi Arabia.  
**Party Now** (f. by Tiznow), 3 wins at 3, \$164,050, 2nd Sweetest Chant S. (L) (GP, \$20,000), Tropical Park Oaks (GP, \$13,650).  
**Search and Seizure** (f. by War Chant), Unplaced in 2 starts. Dam of—  
**TAMMY THE TORPEDO** (f. by More Than Ready), 5 wins, \$355,530, Suwannee River S. (G3) (GP, \$90,210), Violet S. (G3) (MTH, \$60,000), etc.  
**SEEK AND DESTROY** (f. by Verrazano), 2 wins in 4 starts at 2, 2018, \$101,860, Chelsey Flower S. (BEL, \$35,000).

**RACE RECORD:** At 2, once 2nd, twice 3rd; at 3, one win, once 2nd, once 3rd. Earned \$91,410.

**PRODUCE RECORD:**  
2014 **Stock and Sire**, f. by Speightstown. Unraced.  
2015 **Battle Zoned** g. by Giant's Causeway. Placed at 3-2018, \$-749.  
2016 **Five Star General** c. by Distorted Humor. Winner in 2 starts at 2-2018, \$93,656.  
2017 aborted single foal; 2018 f. by Into Mischief. Mated to Bodemeister (Empire Maker—Untouched Talent), last service March 12, 2018. (Believed to be **PREGNANT**).

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**January 5, 1980...**Spectacular Bid began his undefeated four-year-old season, winning the Malibu S. by five lengths at Santa Anita; the gray colt finished his 1980 campaign with a perfect nine-for-nine record.

**January 7, 1916...**Pan Zareta, who would go on to win 76 races, makes her Fair Grounds debut, winning a six-furlong sprint under 124 pounds.

**January 11, 1950...**Five-year-old Citation returned after more than a year off to win an allowance race at Santa Anita. Sidelined after taking his 15th straight race, the Tanforan H. December 11, 1948, he claimed his 16th in a row at odds of 3-20 by a length and a half.

# Leading 2018 Fifth-Crop Sires by Worldwide Earnings

for stallions standing in North America

Earnings represent worldwide figures, stud fees listed are 2018 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>Quality Road</b> <i>(2006) by Elusive Quality FYR: 2012</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>1,412,000</b>	<b>11,837,623</b> <i>City of Light</i>
				<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000</i>							
2	<b>Lookin At Lucky</b> <i>(2007) by Smart Strike FYR: 2012</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>5,005,000</b>	<b>10,431,061</b> <i>Accelerate</i>
				<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$20,000</i>							
3	<b>Blame</b> <i>(2006) by Arch FYR: 2012</i>	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>718,550</b>	<b>7,806,380</b> <i>Marley's Freedom</i>
				<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i>							
4	<b>Kantharos</b> <i>(2008) by Lion Heart FYR: 2012</i>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	--	<b>2</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>698,610</b>	<b>7,027,538</b> <i>XY Jet</i>
				<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$20,000</i>							
5	<b>Warrior's Reward</b> <i>(2006) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2012</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	--	<b>2</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>710,080</b>	<b>5,671,385</b> <i>Axelrod</i>
				<i>Stands: WynOaks Farm PA Fee: \$4,500</i>							
6	<b>Munnings</b> <i>(2006) by Speightstown FYR: 2012</i>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	--	--	<b>184</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>336,200</b>	<b>5,259,217</b> <i>Proforma</i>
				<i>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$20,000</i>							
7	<b>Midshipman</b> <i>(2006) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2012</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	--	--	<b>160</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>362,766</b>	<b>4,612,084</b> <i>Sassy Sienna</i>
				<i>Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$8,500</i>							
8	<b>Super Saver</b> <i>(2007) by Maria's Mon FYR: 2012</i>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>208</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>208,900</b>	<b>4,470,759</b> <i>Hedge Fund</i>
				<i>Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i>							
9	<b>Majesticperfection</b> <i>(2006) by Harlan's Holiday FYR: 2012</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>138</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>282,250</b>	<b>3,847,314</b> <i>Chanteline</i>
				<i>Stands: Haras Rapetti Uruguay Fee: Private</i>							
10	<b>Temple City</b> <i>(2005) by Dynaformer FYR: 2012</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	--	--	<b>173</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>281,282</b>	<b>3,168,505</b> <i>Kimbear</i>
				<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$10,000</i>							
11	<b>Hold Me Back</b> <i>(2006) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2012</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>130</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>132,695</b>	<b>2,774,982</b> <i>Mia Bella Rossa</i>
				<i>Stands: NY Fee: N/A</i>							
12	<b>Tale of Ekati</b> <i>(2005) by Tale of the Cat FYR: 2012</i>	--	<b>6</b>	--	<b>3</b>	--	<b>1</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>223,933</b>	<b>2,461,428</b> <i>Anna Perenna</i>
				<i>Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i>							
13	<b>Desert Party</b> <i>(2006) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2012</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>96</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>159,325</b>	<b>2,187,992</b> <i>Orchid Party</i>
				<i>Stands: Irish Hill &amp; Dutchess Views Stallions NY Fee: \$2,500</i>							
14	<b>Street Magician</b> <i>(2004) by Street Cry (Ire) FYR: 2012</i>	--	<b>4</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>59</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>86,803</b>	<b>1,446,282</b> <i>Up Hill Battle</i>
				<i>Stands: Roland Farm MD Fee: \$3,000</i>							
15	<b>Line of David</b> <i>(2007) by Lion Heart FYR: 2012</i>	--	<b>1</b>	--	--	--	--	<b>92</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>150,650</b>	<b>1,188,159</b> <i>Fear No Evil</i>
				<i>Stands: Red River Farms LA Fee: \$2,500</i>							

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**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:00 p.m. EST**

**SAN GABRIEL S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Liam the Charmer 🍀	Smart Strike	Madaket Stables LLC	McCarthy	Desormeaux	124
2	Platinum Warrior (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Yuesheng Zhang	Sadler	Foley	122
3	Cleopatra's Strike	Smart Strike	Slam Dunk Racing and Nentwig, Michael	D'Amato	Prat	120
4	Oscar Dominguez (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Rockingham Ranch	Miller	Bejarano	120
5	Chicago Style	Kitten's Joy	Glen Hill Farm	Proctor	Van Dyke	124
6	Flamboyant (Fr)	Peer Gynt (Jpn)	Bienstock, David and Winner, Charles N.	Gallagher	Blanc	122
7	Next Shares 🍀	Archarcharch	Iavarone, Michael, Iavarone, Jules, McClanahan, Jerry, Dunn, Christopher T., Marasa, William, Robershaw, Ritchie and Taylor, Mark	Baltas	Rosario	124
8	Big Score	Mr. Big	George Krikorian	Yakteen	Smith	120
9	Big Bend 🍀	Union Rags	Union Rags Racing LLC	Proctor	Talamo	120
10	Arms Runner	Overdriven	Rockingham Ranch	Miller	Pedroza	120

**Breeders:** 1-Ron McAnally & Deborah McAnally, 2-Triermore Stud, 3-Sam-Son Farm, 4-Whisperview Trading Ltd, 5-Glen Hill Farm, 6-SNC Regnier & San Gabriel Inv. Inc., 7-Buck Pond Farm, Inc., 8-George Krikorian, 9-Daniel J. Burke & Kathleen Schweizer, 10-Ocala Stud

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST**

**SHAM S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sueno 🍀	Atreides	Silverton Hill LLC	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	120
2	Gray Magician	Graydar	Wachtel Stable, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Barber, Gary	Miller	Prat	120
3	Savagery	Bellamy Road	Rockingham Ranch	Miller	Rosario	120
4	Easy Shot 🍀	Trappe Shot	Calumet Farm	Desormeaux	Bejarano	120
5	Coliseum	Tapit	Godolphin, LLC	Baffert	Talamo	120
6	Gunmetal Gray 🍀	Exchange Rate	Hollendorfer, LLC, Pearl Racing and West Point Thoroughbreds	Hollendorfer	Smith	120
7	Much Better 🍀	Pioneerof the Nile	Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	Baffert	Van Dyke	120

**Breeders:** 1-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc., 2-Twin Creeks Farm, 3-Ponder Hill, Inc., 4-Hinkle Farms, 5-Godolphin, 6-Lee Pokoik, 7-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC

**Sunday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST**

**SANTA YNEZ S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mother Mother 🍀	Pioneerof the Nile	Bolton, George, Hall, Barry, Lipman, Barry, Mathiesen, Mark and Molasky, Andrew	Baffert	Van Dyke	120
2	Bellafina 🍀	Quality Road	Kaleem Shah, Inc.	Callaghan	Prat	124
3	Sold It 🍀	The Factor	Dunne, Ciaran and Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	120
4	Tomlin 🍀	Distorted Humor	Fairview, LLC	Specht	Baze	120
5	Reflect 🍀	Trappe Shot	Impact Thoroughbreds LLC & Madaket Stables LLC	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	120

**Breeders:** 1-T. F. VanMeter, 2-JSM Equine, LLC., 3-Jeanne Canty, Judy Hicks, Kathryn Nikkel& Pegasus Stud LLC, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-T/C Stable, LLC




NORTH AMERICAN  
**ALLOWANCES**

**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**9th-Gulfstream, \$45,200, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500),**  
 1-3, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.89, ft.

**THIRD DAY (h, 5, Bernardini--Onebadkitty {SW, \$171,708}, by Street Cry {Ire})** was a debut winner at Monmouth in the summer of 2016 and doubled up off a six-plus-month layoff in the restricted Just One More S. here the following February. Unseen for over 21 months after that, he was transferred from the Todd Pletcher barn and ran third in a local optional claimer upon return for this outfit Nov. 10 before dropping a spot Dec. 7. Off at 53-10 in this feature, the \$575,000 OBS March buy broke on top before deferring to sit fourth at the fence behind fractions of :23.67 and :46.96. Advancing while tipped three wide past the five-sixteenths pole, he overtook Local Hero (Hard Spun) in deep stretch and edged away to a 1 1/4-length success. Local Hero held for second over pacesetter Brasstown (Tiznow). The victor has a juvenile half-sister by Carpe Diem and yearling Exaggerator half-sister. His dam was paired with Klimt last spring. Sales History: \$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$575,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, \$99,690. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Town and Country Racing, LLC; B-Janet Lyons & James Atwell (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

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**8th-Delta Downs, \$37,000, Alw, 1-3, (NW1X), 3yo, 7f, 1:29.11,**  
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**ROCKTIZWAY (g, 3, Tizway--Seattle Artist, by Stormy Atlantic)** scored at first asking Nov. 19 at Zia and was made a 39-10 repeat proposition here. Away smoothly, the bay didn't corner as smoothly going into the clubhouse turn and traveled third-last behind splits of :23.58 and :48.40. Sent after the leaders three wide entering the final bend, he drew alongside frontrunning favorite Wilmington (Union Rags) at the sixteenth pole and edged past that one late to prevail by a neck.

The winner is a half to Secret Passion (Archarcharch), SW, \$111,724. His dam has a juvenile Archarcharch colt named Archie Can't Sell and produced a filly by Cinco Charlie last season before being bred to California Chrome. Sales History: \$27,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$39,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Jaylan & Mike R. Neatherlin; B-Paul King (KY); T-Mike R. Neatherlin.



NORTH AMERICAN  
**MAIDENS**

**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**3rd-Gulfstream, \$43,140, Msw, 1-3, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23.52, ft.**  
**BOTERO (c, 4, Medaglia d'Oro--Burban {SW & GISP, \$289,087}, by Speightstown)** finished an even sixth debuting for Bob Baffert last January and took some play at 13-2 in this return for another Hall of Fame outfit. Traveling in a close-up second through a sharp :22.68 quarter, the homebred moved in tandem with odds-on Personal Time (Malibu Moon) past a :45.25 half. Overtaken by that foe briefly nearing the stretch, he quickly responded and kicked clear into the lane to best the chalk by three lengths.

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The winner's dam, picked up by Don Alberto for \$310,000 at Keeneland November in 2013, is responsible for an unraced sophomore Tiznow colt named Black Sparrow and fillies by Empire Maker from each of the past two seasons. She was bred to Violence last spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$26,145. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Don Alberto Stable; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY); T-William I. Mott.

**7th-Turfway, \$16,800, Msw, 1-3, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:40.24, ft.**

**VALKYRIE (f, 4, Awesome Again--Lemon Tiz, by Lemon Drop Kid),** dismissed at over 27-1 in this career bow, broke about a length slowly before quickly recovering to show the way into the first turn. Dueling with another longshot through a :24.87 quarter, the dark bay inched clear past a :48.79 half, drifted wide after straightening for home, but corrected course in the final sixteenth and hung on resolutely late to turn back the challenge of favored Stereo Viewing (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) by a nose. The victress has a juvenile half-sister by Elusive Quality and her dam produced a Flintshire (GB) filly last term before visiting Red Rocks (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,100. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Frank D. Irvin (KY); T-Luis A. Cotto.



**IN QATAR:**

**Comrade In Arms, g, 4, War Front--Maryinsky (Ire) (G1SP-Eng),** by Sadler's Wells. Al Rayyan, 1-3, Novice Plate, 1900m, 2:03.42. B-Barnett Enterprises (KY). \*1/2 to Peeping Fawn (Danehill), Ch. 3yo Filly-Eur, Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 9.5-10.5f & 11-13f, MG1SW-Eng & Ire, \$1,387,274; and Thewayyouare (Kingmambo), G1SW-Fr, \$340,968. \*\*72,000gns HRA '18 TATJUL. **VIDEO**

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**Saturday, January 5, 2019**

**3rd-NKY, ¥9,550,000 (\$89k), Maiden, 3yo, 1800m**

**DALLAS TESORO (f, 3, Cairo Prince--Copelan's Angel, by Copelan)**, a \$60K Keeneland November weanling purchase, matured into a \$235K OBS April 2-year-old, and raced twice at two for third-place efforts on Tokyo debut in November and over this course and distance the following month ([video](#), gate 10). The daughter of a Grade III-placed dam, Dallas Tesoro is a half-sister to SW Fly Away Angel (Skip Away) from the deeper female family of GISW Pure Fun (Pure Prize). *B-Christiana Stables LLC (KY)*

**4th-KYO, ¥11,400,000 (\$106k), Newcomers, 3yo, 1200m**

**TIMING NOW (c, 3, Tapit--Her Smile, by Include)** is the latest foal to make the races from the 2011 GI Prioress S. winner and cost \$750K as a KEESEP yearling in the fall of 2017. Her Smile, whose 4-year-old daughter Pink Sands (Tapit) was an impressive allowance winner at Gulfstream Park Dec. 27, is a half-sister to MSW Moon River (Bluegrass Cat) and to the dam of SW & GSP Tricks To Doo (Into Mischievous). KatieRich Farms acquired Her Smile for \$1.5 million at Keeneland November in 2014. *B-KatieRich Farms (KY)*

**8th-KYO, ¥19,000,000 (\$176k), Allowance, 3yo, 2000mT**

**PERKUNAS (JPN) (c, 3, Majesticperfection--Thundercup, by Thunder Gulch)**, a brother to 2015 GI Kentucky Oaks winner Lovely Maria, made a big impression in a single racetrack appearance last season, carrying Joao Moreira to a 1 3/4-length success in an 1800m maiden over this course Nov. 11 ([video](#), gate 4). Thundercup, who was sold to the late Olin Gentry and Thomas Gaines for \$32K carrying Lovely Maria at KEENOV in 2011, was acquired privately by Shadai Farm with this foal in utero in 2015. *B-Shadai Farm*

**Sunday, January 6, 2019**

**2nd-KYO, ¥9,550,000 (\$89k), Maiden, 3yo, 1200m**

**TOP SOLISTE (f, 3, War Front--Moth {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire})**, a \$650K graduate of the 2017 KEESEP sale, turned in a terrific debut effort to miss narrowly over the local turf course Oct. 21 ([video](#), gate 9) and tries the main track for her sophomore debut. The bay's dam, third to Sky Lantern (Ire) (Red Clubs {Ire}) in the 2013 G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas, is a half-sister to GSW Hearthstead Maison (Ire) (Peintre Celebre) and SW & G1SP Rave Reviews (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Top Soliste is bred on the same cross as this sire's G1SWs Roly Poly and U S Navy Flag. *B-Opendale, Chelston & Wynatt (KY) -Alan Carasso*

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**FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JANUARY 4**

**Atreides** (Medaglia d'Oro), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$6,500  
101 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-Hawthorne, Msw 6f, BECAUSESHECANDOIT, 8-1

**Awesome Bet** (Awesome Again), Peach Lane Farms, \$1,500  
13 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
5-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, BET AGAIN, 12-1

**Boisterous** (Distorted Humor), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, \$5,000  
86 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner  
5-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 1mT, BOISTEROUS SKYE, 20-1  
9-Santa Anita, Msw 6 1/2f, SEA OF LIBERTY, 7-2

**Cairo Prince** (Pioneerof the Nile), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000  
227 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-Santa Anita, Msw 1m, HARMON, 6-1  
\$42,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$100,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$500,000 OBS MAR 2yo  
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 1 1/16mT, OCEAN MONARCH, 8-1  
\$180,000 KEE NOV wnl

**Clubhouse Ride** (Candy Ride {Arg}), Harris Farms, \$2,500  
64 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Golden Gate Fields, Msw 1mT, MOON HOUSE, 9-2

**Fed Biz** (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$12,500  
187 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, VOGT, 8-5  
\$37,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$85,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$150,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**He's Had Enough** (Tapit), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$5,000  
138 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners  
6-Santa Anita, Msw 1m, ISTANBUL, 10-1  
\$40,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$160,000 BAR APR 2yo

**Magician (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), Haras de Corlay, \$12,500  
125 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 1 1/16mT, DRY LAKE, 8-1

**More Than a Reason** (More Than Ready)  
2 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
6-Hawthorne, Msw 6f, LETS GO GIRLS, 30-1

**Noble Mission (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), Lane's End Farm, \$25,000  
151 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Turfway, Msw 1m, NOBLE LEGACY, 20-1  
\$77,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$120,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$4,500 OBS OPN 2yo

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**Sabercat** (Bluegrass Cat), Averett Farm, \$3,500  
 23 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
 5-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, COLLEGE CAT, 20-1

**Sum of the Parts** (Speightstown), Red River Farms, \$2,000  
 29 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
 1-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, BEAUTIFUL BEV, 20-1  
 \$9,200 ESL MIX wnl; \$10,000 TTA APR 2yo  
 5-Delta Downs, Msw 5f, CHARLIES TICKET, 8-1  
 \$2,000 ESL MIX yrl

**Uncaptured** (Lion Heart), Ocala Stud Farm, \$6,000  
 141 foals of racing age/8 winners/3 black-type winners  
 6-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 7f, CAPTURED BEAUTY, 8-1

**Unusual Heatwave** (Unusual Heat), BG Thoroughbred Farm, \$2,500  
 16 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
 9-Santa Anita, Msw 6 1/2f, UNUSUAL ANGEL, 5-1

**Will Take Charge** (Unbridled's Song), Three Chimneys Farm, \$30,000  
 207 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner  
 6-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 7f, LUNA FORTIS, 5-2  
 \$160,000 KEE SEP yrl

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JANUARY 4**

**Fort Larned** (E Dubai), Adena Springs, \$7,500  
 101 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners  
 6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, LUXE DIAMOND, 6-1

**New Year's Day** (Street Cry {Ire}), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$7,500  
 112 foals of racing age/49 winners/3 black-type winners  
 8-Aqueduct, \$150K Jerome S., 1m, DIRECT ORDER, 5-1

**Power Broker** (Pulpit), SAU, \$5,000  
 136 foals of racing age/40 winners/0 black-type winners  
 6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, CAN U HANDLE THIS, 12-1  
 \$10,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$42,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Shanghai Bobby** (Harlan's Holiday), Arrow Stud, \$15,000  
 242 foals of racing age/86 winners/5 black-type winners  
 8-Fair Grounds, Msw 5 1/2ft, PRETTY PRIORITY, 20-1



**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**6th-Turfway, \$20,400, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-3, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:40.51, ft.**

**DYNAMIC RACER (c, 3, Run Away and Hide--Biogio's Gift, by Any Given Saturday)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$25,499.

O-Lou Dunn Diekemper Trust; B-Lou Dunn Diekemper Racing (KY); T-Ronald Kahles.



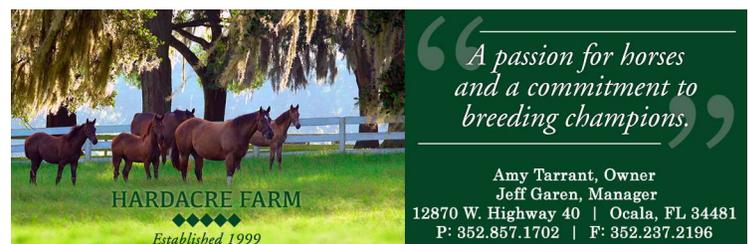
**AWESOME AGAIN**, Valkyrie, f, 4, o/o Lemon Tiz, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 1-3, Turfway

**BERNARDINI**, Third Day, h, 5, o/o Onebadkitty, by Street Cry (Ire). AOC, 1-3, Gulfstream

**MEDAGLIA D'ORO**, Botero, c, 4, o/o Burban, by Speightstown. MSW, 1-3, Gulfstream

**RUN AWAY AND HIDE**, Dynamic Racer, c, 3, o/o Biogio's Gift, by Any Given Saturday. AOC, 1-3, Turfway

**TIZWAY**, Rocktizway, g, 3, o/o Seattle Artist, by Stormy Atlantic. ALW, 1-3, Delta Downs



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By Kelsey Riley

After kicking off our European value sires series earlier this week with [stallions entering stud in 2019](#), we move on to sires with their first foals this year. Please note that figures of mares bred are taken from the 2018 Return of Mares, and are subject to be slightly off due to late registrations.

A trio of colts entered stud last year sharing the top-of-the-class fee of €35,000, and all three remain at that price this year: Coolmore's Caravaggio (Scat Daddy) and Churchill (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), and Haras d'Etream's Almanzor (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}).

After an undeniably successful first season for Scat Daddy's No Nay Never that saw his fee quadrupled, **Caravaggio** will have an even heavier load of anticipation and all the buzz riding on his shoulders. And while No Nay Never was an exciting racehorse in his own right, Caravaggio was simply a masterpiece in winning the G2 Coventry S., G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. and G1 Commonwealth Cup, the latter from the champion sprinter Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). The hype had started early for No Nay Never, his first yearlings selling so well that he earned a fee hike before he even had runners, so it will be interesting to see how the Caravaggios are received at the foal sales later this year.

Caravaggio had 17 in-foal mares sold last year from 19 through the ring for an average of £158,446/€176,305. He covered 217 mares in 2018.

**Almanzor** broke down every barrier he confronted in 2016, proving himself the top French 3-year-old with a win over Zarak (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G1 Prix du Jockey Club before besting the future Arc winner Found (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})—and a host of other top-class older horses—in both the G1 Irish Champion S. and G1 Champion S. and was named Europe's champion 3-year-old colt. The sporting decision was made to leave him in training as a 4-year-old, but Almanzor was sadly struck by a herpesvirus outbreak that hit trainer Jean-Claude Rouget's barn and never returned to his best. That won't affect his odds at stud, of course; he is by Iffraaj's Wootton Bassett, who is still a promising young sire himself and has had his own fee doubled to €40,000 this year. Almanzor comes from a stout Aga Khan female family that includes Prix du Jockey Club winner Darsi (Fr) (Polish Precedent) and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches winner Darjina (Fr) (Zamindar).

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European 3-year-old champion Almanzor | Haras d'Etream

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### 2019 KENTUCKY SIRES: ESTABLISHED SIRES

Having examined younger, unproven sires in the first five parts of a series, Chris McGrath finally makes it to Kentucky's established sires.

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**Value Sires Series: First Foals Of 2019 cont. from p1**

**Churchill** is the latest in the lineup of Galileo-sired Classic winners to head to stud in Co. Tipperary, following on from Australia (GB) and Ruler of the World (Ire) in 2015, Gleneagles (Ire) the following year and The Gurkha (Ire) in 2017. Galileo's success thus far as a sire of sires is there for all to see, but the likes of Gleneagles, Churchill and Decorated Knight (GB) could usher in a new era for their sire as the first sons of Galileo from Storm Cat mares to go to stud. This trend is a result of breeders sending Galileo faster mares than those from the stamina-laden pedigrees that produced New Approach (Ire), Teofilo (Ire) and even Frankel (GB) earlier in his career, and Churchill—who covered 211 mares last year—in particular has a very fast page, his dam being the G2 Queen Mary S. second Meow (Ire), a daughter of the G1 Cheveley Park S. winner and G1 Diamond Jubilee second Airwave (GB) (Air Express {Ire}), who is a half-sister to the G1 Nunthorpe S. winner Jwala (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). For Churchill and his full-sister Clemmie (Ire), the blending of Galileo's stamina with a sharp Storm Cat dam resulted in the ultimate mile performer. Sprinting mares of all types are now knocking down Galileo's door, and it will be fascinating to see where this latest trend sends his career as a sire of sires. At the same time, Coolmore stands **Highland Reel (Ire)** from the same sire crop; the admirable middle-distance performer hails from the tried-and-true Galileo over Danehill cross that has produced successful sires Frankel and Teofilo as well as up-and-comers like Intello and Noble Mission, and Highland Reel stays at €17,500 after covering 184 mares last year.

Galileo's two other European Group 1-winning sons from this sire crop both get a fee trim for 2019: **Ulysses (Ire)** (£30,000 to £17,500) and **Decorated Knight** (€15,000 to €12,000). Two better bred horses you would hardly find anywhere: the G1 Coral-Eclipse and G1 Juddmonte International winner Ulysses is out of the G1 Oaks winner Light Shift (Kingmambo) and therefore is from a similar cross to rising young sire Camelot (Sadler's Wells over a Kingmambo mare), while G1 Jebel Hatta, G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup and G1 Irish Champion S. winner Decorated Knight is out of a full-sister to Giant's Causeway and You'resothrilling, the dam of Gleneagles.

In the case of Ulysses, the fee cut looks like good business practice on behalf of Cheveley Park Stud; the horse covered 115 mares last year, and after a cut throat season at the breeding stock sales perhaps breeders will respond to a little relief and support the horse in his crucial second year.

The Irish National Stud stated when it released its fees for 2019 that it was reducing some to respond to market needs, and the package that is Decorated Knight should be extremely appealing.

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### **Value Sires Series: First Foals Of 2019 cont.**

He is a three-time Group 1 winner that is closely related to Gleneagles—who started out at €60,000—and Giant’s Causeway and from one of the best families in the global stud book standing for €12,000. It is surprising that just 66 mares visited the horse last year—perhaps a one has fallen off the front of that figure? Sure, he didn’t do his best running until five, but at that stage he could run with the best of them, and the page is full of precocious Group 1 winners that could tip the odds slightly more in the favor of those looking for a quick return. In any case, buyers of in-foal mares this season were more than happy to take a swing; he cleared 24 of 25 offered, including the G3 Princess Margaret S. winner Princess Noor (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), who brought 675,000gns. Breeders Saleh Al Homaizi and Imad Al Sagar supported Decorated Knight with some of their impeccably bred mares—a number of those being the ones to go through the ring—so he’ll have some blueblooded youngsters working for him in a few years’ time.



**Postponed could be the heir to Dubawi | Alayna Cullen**

Also taking small fee cuts—again, not alarming considering the market—are Darley’s Group 1 winners **Ribchester (Ire)** (Iffraaj {GB}) and **Postponed (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire})—both four-time Group 1 winners. Ribchester was Europe’s standout miler last year, following up on a win in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois at three with victories in the Lockinge S., Queen Anne and Prix du Moulin de Longchamp. The success of the aforementioned Wootton Bassett, another son of Iffraaj, at stud should only help his popularity, and Ribchester covered 154 mares at €30,000. He is down to €25,000.

Postponed took the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at four, and the Dubai Sheema Classic, the G1 Coronation Cup and the Juddmonte International at five.

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He is a grandson of G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Bianca Nera (GB) (Salse) and his half-sister God Given (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) boosted the page in November with a win in the G1 Premio Lydia Tesio. Postponed did his best running later but he also won the G2 Great Voltigeur S. at three. Dubawi has yet to establish a flagship son at stud—he has had some bad luck with Al Kazeem being subfertile and Poet’s Voice dying young—but the likes of Poet’s Voice and Makfi have both sired Group 1 winners, and Postponed looks to have all the ingredients. He covered 112 mares last year at £20,000 and a small cut to £15,000 could help keep the momentum going.

Others from the sire crop to give Dubawi a chance to establish a top sire son include **Zarak (Fr)**, the Aga Khan’s Group 1-winning son of Arc winner Zarkava (Ire) who stands at Haras de Bonneval for €12,000 and covered 133 mares last year. It bodes well that the Aga Khan Studs are giving him a real chance with some of their well-bred mares, including Group 1 mares Shareta (Ire) and Shankardeh (Ire). He also covered sisters to Charm Spirit (Ire) and Laurens (Fr). The National Stud stands **Time Test (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) for €8,500. He was top class over a mile to 2000 metres and was unlucky to not be a Group 1 winner, placing at that level four times.

Darley’s third Group 1 winner in this sire crop is **Profitable (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), the G1 King’s Stand S. winner who lived up to his name when covering 185 mares at Kildangan Stud last year at €12,000.



Aclaim is from the family of Montjeu | Amy Lanigan

Profitable is rated higher than both Invincible Spirit and that one’s best sire son thus far, I Am Invincible (Aus)—also a five-furlong specialist who reached his best later in his racecourse career—and while Profitable hit his best stride at four and five, he did win at two. He stays at €12,000 this year.

Another son of Invincible Spirit is available alongside his sire at the Irish National Stud at a reduced fee: the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere winner **National Defense (Ire)**, who is down from €12,000 to €8,000 for 2019.

National Defense is out of a Kingmambo mare, and class shines through on the page with 10 black-type horses under the first two dams.

Two more well-supported Group 1 winners to take fee cuts for their second seasons are Tally-Ho Stud’s **Galileo Gold (Ire)** (Paco Boy {GB}) and the National Stud’s **Aclaim (GB)** (Acclamation {GB}). Again, this looks like smart business in a ruthless sales climate. The G1 2000 Guineas winner Galileo Gold covered 140 mares last year at €15,000 and is

available for €10,000 this year, while the G1 Prix de la Foret winner Aclaim can be accessed in 2019 for £9,500 after breeding 160 mares at £12,500 in 2018.

Incidentally, the two horses share a similar page: Aclaim’s second dam is a half-sister to Montjeu (Ire), while Galileo Gold’s third dam is a different half-sister to that prolific sire. That family also features the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Again (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), and the G1 King’s Stand S. winner Goldream (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}).

New Group winner

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### Value Sires Series: First Foals Of 2019 cont.

Standing alongside Galileo Gold at Tally-Ho is the G3 Molecomb S. winner **Cotai Glory (GB)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who covered 180 mares at €6,000 and also takes a fee trim to €5,000. The fact that Bungle Inthejungle, also by Exceed and Excel, did so well this year bodes well for Cotai Glory, as does the fact that, like No Nay Never, he is out of an Elusive Quality mare.

As Scat Daddy's stock continued to rise in late 2017, Yeomanstown Stud secured his dual Grade III-winning son **El Kabeir** for stud duty. That was before No Nay Never had had a runner and before Justify had started in a race, and sure enough by season's end El Kabeir had covered 146 mares at €8,000—he remains at that fee this year. He was a winner at Saratoga at two before taking the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. later that year, and he won two Kentucky Derby prep races—the GIII Jerome S. and GIII Gotham S. over 1700m—at three.

**Ardad (GB)** (Kodiac {GB}) was very popular at Overbury Stud last year, covering 132 mares at £6,500, and he is just the kind of horse the commercial buyers could latch on to at the foal sales: he won the Listed Windsor Castle S. on his second start at two and later added the G2 Flying Childers S.

And of course, he is by Kodiac from the super speedy family of G1 Prix de l'Abbaye winner Maarek (GB) (Pivotal {GB}).

While Almanzor and Zarak are the headliners for France of this sire crop, there are some strong supporting acts, of which Haras de Bouquetot stands four. **Brametot (Fr)** (Rajsaman {Fr}) was a dual winner at two before taking the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and the G1 Prix du Jockey Club the following year. He ran an RPR of 121 when fifth behind Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the 2017 G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. He is free of Northern Dancer and his dam is a half-sister to Monsun (Ger). He is down to €6,000 from €10,000.

**Al Wukair (Ire)** (Dream Ahead) and Zelzal (Fr) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) both stay at their opening fee of €8,000. Al Wukair was an unbeaten stakes winner in France at two before finishing third to Churchill in the G1 2000 Guineas. He won the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois with an RPR of 120 later that season. He is out of a daughter of Machiavellian and his second dam is the G1 Prix de Diane winner Caerlina (Ire) (Caerleon).

**Zelzal** is by Sea The Stars out of a Kingmambo mare, and while he didn't get going until three he barely put a foot wrong thereafter.



Three-time Group 1 winner Decorated Knight is awarded the gold on the TDN's Value Sires podium | *Caroline Norris*

### Value Sires Series: First Foals Of 2019 cont.

He found the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains to be too much too soon after winning his first two starts, but bounced back to take the G3 Prix Paul de Moussac and the G1 Prix Jean Prat.

**Ectot (Fr)** (Hurricane Run {Ire}) stays at €5,000. The half-brother to G1 St. James's Palace S. winner Most Improved (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}) won the G1 Criterium International at two, was a Group 3 winner over GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner Karakontie (Jpn) (Bernstein) at three and at five he won the GI Joe Hirsch Turf Classic over Flintshire (GB) (Dansili {GB}).

Haras du Logis stands **Ultra (Ire)** (Manduro {Ger}), who combines class with precocity. The highest-rated 2-year-old by Manduro (Ger)—and out of a Nashwan mare who has produced three stakes horses—Ultra is the fastest-ever winner of the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere. He was unbeaten in three starts at two and won a listed race at three. He stays at €7,000 this year.

Also at that fee is **The Grey Gatsby (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) at Haras du Petit Tellier, and let's not forget he was among the very best of his generation at three, winning the G1 Prix du Jockey Club and the G1 Irish Champion S.—over Australia—before an agonizing run at four saw him place in the G1 Dubai Turf, G1 Prince of Wales's S., G1 Coral-Eclipse and G1 Juddmonte International. He earned RPRs of 125-plus on four occasions and stands for €7,000.

Montfort et Preaux has crafted a remarkable success story with its flagship sire Le Havre (Ire), and it will be hoping to follow suit with The Queen's **Recorder (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). The chestnut made just three starts, all at two, breaking his maiden at second asking before taking the G3 Acomb S. Being out of a Danehill Dancer mare, Recorder bears the aforementioned cross that has already produced sires like Frankel and Teofilo, and in addition to Recorder, his G2 Cherry Hinton and G3 Albany S.-winning dam Memory (Ire) has produced the Grade II winner Call To Mind (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Recorder remains at €6,000 in 2019.

### Value Sires Podium

**Gold** - Decorated Knight (€12,000): a three-time Group 1 winner from the family of Giant's Causeway and Gleneagles.

**Silver** - Profitable (€12,000): has a similar profile to I Am Invincible.

**Bronze** - Aclaim (€9,500): by sire of sires Acclamation from the Classic family of Montjeu.

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## DREAM COMES TRUE IN SINGSPIEL

**Dream Castle (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) was once considered a leading British Classic contender by Godolphin, and while Meydan's G3 Singspiel S. is a far cry from those lofty targets, Thursday's win nonetheless indicated that the now 5-year-old may now be prepared to fulfill some of that early promise after being gelded.

Not that Dream Castle disappointed in the 3-year-old features. After breaking his maiden on debut in early April 2017, the bay was pitched straight into the G3 Greenham S. and finished second to the subsequent Group 1-winning miler Barney Roy (GB) (Excelebration {Ire}). He was fifth in both the G1 2000 Guineas and Royal Ascot's G3 Jersey S., and was campaigned exclusively in Dubai last year after finishing second in Turkey's G2 International Topkapi Trophy.



Dream Castle takes the Singspiel | DRC/Erika Rasmussen

His best effort in four outings at four was a third, beaten 1 1/4 lengths, behind Group 1-winning sprinter Jungle Cat (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}) in the seven-furlong G2 Al Fahidi Fort, and he was put away for the year and gelded after beating just two home in the Mar. 10 G3 Burj Nahaar.

Making his seasonal debut on Thursday and stepping up to nine furlongs for the first time, Dream Castle was well covered up in midpack down the backstretch as Grade I winner Deauville (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) set the pace and last year's Royal Hunt Cup winner Settle For Bay raced wide and without cover. As they rounded the turn, Christophe Soumillon steered Dream Castle into the clear on the outside and they began a rally. Sweeping to the lead passing the furlong marker, Dream Castle ran out a comfortable winner and the first of a Godolphin top five.

**Singspiel S. result cont.**

“I talked with Pat Cosgrave a lot before the race because he knows the horse better than any other jockey,” said rider Christophe Soumillon. “He told me the horse has changed a lot this year, and was much more settled in the morning track-work. I could feel it straight when I was going down the start, and he was really settling down. The big race for him now will probably be the [Dubai] Turf over the same distance; I am sure he can run between seven furlongs and 1800 metres without a problem, it just depends on the pace.”

**Pedigree Notes**

A homebred for Godolphin, Dream Castle is the second foal and first stakes winner out of the G2 Flying Childers S. winner Sand Vixen (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). The mare has a 2-year-old colt by Dawn Approach (Ire) and a yearling son of Dark Angel (Ire). [Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

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**Thursday, Meydan, Dubai**

**SINGSPIEL S. PRESENTED BY LONGINES V H P COLLECTION-G3**, \$200,000, Meydan, 1-3, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1800mT, 1:49.40, gd.

1--**DREAM CASTLE (GB)**, 126, g, 5, by **Frankel (GB)**

**1st Dam: Sand Vixen (GB) (GSW-Eng, \$119,931), by Dubawi (Ire)**

**2nd Dam: Fur Will Fly (GB), by Petong (GB)**

**3rd Dam: Bumpkin (GB), by Free State (Ire)**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Godolphin; B-Darley (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Christophe Soumillon. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng & Tur, 11-2-2-1, \$321,722. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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2--**Racing History (Ire)**, 126, h, 7, Pivotal (GB)--Gonbarda (Ger), by Lando (Ger). O-Godolphin; B-Darley (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \$40,000.

3--**Salsabeel (Ire)**, 126, g, 5, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Tokyo Rose (UAE), by Jade Robbery. O-Godolphin; B-Darley (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby. \$20,000.

Margins: 1HF, HD, 3. Also Ran: Team Talk (GB), Bay of Poets (Ire), Light the Lights (SAf), Escalator (GB), Furia Cruzada (Chi), Gm Hopkins (GB), Degas (Ger), Deauville (Ire), Key Victory (Ire), Hornsby (GB), Settle For Bay (Fr), Musaddas (GB), Arod (Ire).

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**TURNING THE CORNER**

The seven-length winner in track-record time of a Carnival handicap last winter, **Raven’s Corner (Ire)** (Raven’s Pass) found group company a task too tall in a pair of subsequent appearances, finishing a distant seventh in the G3 Mahab al Shimaal and a well-beaten eighth in the G2 Godolphin Mile. But, making his return to pattern level in Thursday’s G3 Dubawi S., the new 6-year-old sat a perfect three deep off the speed and kept on well enough in the final 100 metres for a 1 3/4-length defeat of **Drafted** (Field Commission). It was a big gap back to the latter’s stablemate **My Catch (Ire)** (Camacho {GB}) in third.

Advantageously drawn one from the outside in this seven-horse affair, Raven’s Corner jumped alertly and punched the breeze out wide as My Catch set the early tempo in advance of **High On Life (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Asked for a bit more run passing the midway point, Raven’s Corner was sent into the lead with three-sixteenths of a mile to race and finished up on his incorrect lead, but was home in plenty of time. Drafted, who defeated the slow-starting Raven’s Corner into fourth in the Listed Garhoud Sprint over course and distance Dec. 6, settled well back in the field and made eye-catching, but belated, progress up the fence to finish clearly second.

“If everything goes just perfect for him, which it did today, this is who he is,” said winning trainer Satish Seemar. “He’s had his problems with this and that, but everything was right for him today. He has proven before by breaking a track record for seven [furlongs last February] that he’s a good horse and today he’s back. He’s going to go step-by-step, but the [Jan. 31 G3 Al Shindagha Sprint] is likely.”



Raven’s Corner | Dubai Racing Club/Erika Rasmussen

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## Pedigree Notes

The 12th group winner for his GI Breeders' Cup Classic-winning sire, Raven's Corner is one of five winners from as many to race for Beautiful Filly, one of just two foals produced by Royal Alchemist. The latter, who died in 2007, was a half-sister to US GISW Fire the Groom (Blushing Groom {Fr}), who went on to further fame as the dam of champion and dual Group 1-winning sprinter Stravinsky (Nureyev) and SW & GSP Moscow Ballet (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Beautiful Filly is the dam of 3-year-old filly Deira Surprise (GB) (Slade Power {Ire}) and a 2-year-old full-brother to Unforgettable Filly. **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

### Thursday, Meydan, Dubai

**DUBAWI S. PRESENTED BY LONGINES LADIES MASTER COLLECTION-G3**, \$200,000, Meydan, 1-3, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1200m, 1:11.68, ft.

1--**RAVEN'S CORNER (IRE)**, 127, g, 6, by **Raven's Pass**

1st Dam: **Beautiful Filly (GB)**, by **Oasis Dream (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Royal Alchemist**, by **Royal Academy**

3rd Dam: **Prospector's Fire**, by **Mr. Prospector**

**1ST STAKES WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** (120,000gns Ylg '14 TATOCT; AED135,000 HRA '16 ERASEP). O-Touch Gold Racing & Sean Ewing; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Satish Seemar; J-Richard Mullen. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 16-5-4-1, \$320,016. \*1/2 to Unforgettable Filly (GB) (Sepoy {Aus}), GSW-Ger, MSW & MGSP-Eng, \$198,960. **Werk Nick Rating:**

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

2--**Drafted**, 127, g, 5, Field Commission--Keep the Profit, by Darn That Alarm. (\$19,000 RNA Ylg '15 OBSAUG; \$35,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR; AED40,000 HRA '17 ERASEP). O-Misty Hollow Farm; B-John Foster, Barbara Hooker & Field Commission Partnership (FL); T-Doug Watson. \$40,000.



3--**My Catch (Ire)**, 127, g, 8, Camacho (GB)--Catch the Sea (Ire), by Barathea (Ire). (85,000gns Ylg '12 TATOCT; €135,000 2yo '13 ARQMAY; €120,000 HRA '13 ARQARC). O-Valentin Bukhtoyarov & Evgeny Kappushev; B-D Noonan & Loughphilip Bloodstock (IRE); T-Doug Watson. \$20,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, 6HF, 2HF. Also Ran: Above the Rest (Ire), High On Life (GB), Trickbag, Ace Korea.

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### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Originaire (Ire)**, c, 3, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Polly Perkins (Ire) (MSW-Eng), by Pivotal (GB). Chelmsford City, 1-3, 8f (AWT), 1:41.18. B-Vimal and Gillian Khosla (IRE). \*€50,000 Ylg '17 GOFOR. \*\*1/2 to Lola Beaux (GB) (Equiano {Fr}), GSP-Ire & US, & to Final Frontier (Ire) (Dream Ahead), GSW-Ire.

**Temur Khan (GB)**, g, 4, **Dansili (GB)**--Slink (GB), by Selkirk. Southwell, 1-3, 12f 14y (AWT), 2:38.02. B-London Thoroughbred Services, Ltd. (GB). \*230,000gns Wlg '15 TATFOA; 12,000gns HRA '18 TATAHI. \*\*1/2 to Bye Bye Birdie (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), GSW-Ire.

## FRANCE



### CONDITIONS RESULT:

**2nd-Deauville**, €26,000, 1-3, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:27.93, st.

**BLANCHE DOREE (FR)** (f, 3, **Havana Gold {Ire}**--**Balle Blanche {Fr}**, by **Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, €28,900. O-Ecurie Normandie Pur Sang; B-Ecurie Du Sud (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. \*€7,000 RNA Wlg '16 ARDEC; €24,000 Ylg '17 ARV2.

## DUBAI

### Thursday's Results:

**2nd-Meydan**, \$100,000, Cond, 1-3, 3yo, f, 1400m, 1:27.22, ft.

**AL HAYETTE** (f, 3, **Union Rags**--**Water of Life**, by **Hennessy**) was placed twice in three starts on the turf and synthetic in Britain last summer and, after finishing a tame sixth on her local debut on Nov. 22, turned the tables when stretched out to a mile for the first time to break her maiden by four lengths at Meydan on Dec. 20. Biding her time midpack and two paths off the fence down the backstretch in this UAE 1000 Guineas Trial, the chestnut was under a vigorous handride by Fabrice Veron rounding the turn. It took her almost the length of the stretch to really get going, but she hit another gear at the 200 meter mark. She rolled past Nashirah (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) with 50 meters left and won cosily going away. Al Hayette is one of four winners out of Water Of Life, a granddaughter of the listed-winning Seaquay (Fire Dancer).

**2nd-Meydan cont.**

She is also a half-sister to the stakes-placed Boston Brahmin (Boston Harbor) and Steal The Show (Cat Thief), the latter the dam of Grade III winner Stealcase (Lawyer Ron). Water Of Life has also produced the SP Wealth Effect (Curlin), and has a 2-year-old filly by Twirling Candy, a yearling daughter of Laoban and was bred to Tourist for 2019. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$88,809. Sales history: \$20,000 wnl '16 KEENOV; \$12,000 yrl '17 KEESEP; 67,000gns 2yo '18 TATMAY. \*1/2 to Wealth Effect (Curlin), SP-US. **Click for the Racing Post result. VIDEO.** O/T-Ismail Mohammed; B-Patrick Davis & W S Farish (KY).



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Al Hayette wins in the UAE 1000 Guineas Trial | DRC/E Rasmussen

**3rd-Meydan, \$145,000, Hcp, 1-3, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1000mT, :57.47, gd.**

**FAATINAH (AUS) (g, 6, Nicconi (Aus)--Alqwah (Ire), by Danehill),** a former group-winning sprinter and Group 1-placed Down Under, won on his carnival debut last year but was last seen locally finishing a distant eighth in the G1 Al Quoz Sprint. He won a listed race at Moonee Valley upon his return to Australia in August but failed to hit the board in four subsequent attempts at stakes level. He repeated last year's feat in his return to Dubai on Thursday, sitting close to the pace down the straight and striking the lead at the 100 metre mark to win by 2 1/2 lengths going away from Hit The Bid (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). Lifetime Record: MGSW & G1SP-Aus, 31-7-6-2, \$720,856. \*1/2 to Jalsah (Aus) (Elusive Quality), GSP-Aus, \$160,450. **Click for the Racing Post result. VIDEO.** O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Stud Australasia Ltd (AUS); T-David Hayes.

**1st-Meydan, \$175,000, Hcp, 1-3, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2410mT, 2:32.41, gd.**

**BIN BATTUTA (GB) (h, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--Land of Dreams {GB} {MGSW-Eng, \$113,251}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB})** Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$189,599. O-Godolphin; B-Darley (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \*1/2 to Into The Dark (GB) (Rainbow Quest), MSW & GSP-Eng, \$169,531; and Dream Ahead (Diktat {GB}), Ch. 2yo & Ch. Sprinter-Eur, Hwt. 2yo Colt-Eng, Hwt. 3yo Colt-Eng at 5-7f, MG1SW-Eng & Fr, \$777,768. **Click for the Racing Post result. VIDEO.**

**6th-Meydan, \$175,000, Hcp, 1-3, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1400mT, 1:23.48, gd.**

**ANOTHER BATT (IRE) (g, 4, Windsor Knot {Ire}--Mrs Batt {Ire}, by Medecis {GB})** Lifetime Record: SW-Tur, MSP-Eng, 17-5-2-3, \$427,483. O-Excel Racing; B-J W Nicholson (IRE); T-George Scott. \*110,000gns RNA HRA '18 TATAUT. **Click for the Racing Post result. VIDEO.**



**IN QATAR:**

**High Horse (Ire), c, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Lady Alexander (Ire)** (GSW-Eng & Ire, \$102,936), by Night Shift. Al Rayyan, 1-3, Maiden Plate, 1200m, 1:12.15. B-Mountarmstrong Stud. \*1/2 to Dandy Man (Ire) (Mozart), Hwt. 3yo Colt-Ire, GSW & G1SP-Eng, MSW & GSP-Ire, \$541,334; and Anthem Alexander (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), GSW & MG1SP-Eng, GSW-Ire, \$335,351. \*\*100,000gns RNA Ylg '17 TATOCT; 68,000gns HRA '18 TATJUL. **VIDEO**

European-Bred Winners cont.

**Woodkid (Ger)**, h, 5, **New Approach (Ire)**--Waldtraut (Ger) (MSW & G1SP-Ger, \$108,305), by Oasis Dream (GB). Al Rayyan, 1-3, Hcp., 1700m, 1:49.29. B-Gestut Brummerhof. \*€400,000 Ylg '15 BBASEP. **VIDEO**

WORLDWIDE NEWS

VIVLOS TO TARGET TURF REPEAT



Vivlos | Horsephotos

The 2017 G1 Dubai Turf winner **Vivlos (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), will head to the paddocks later this spring, but not until she attempts another win in that \$6-million feature in late March. Vivlos is also a Classic winner in her native Japan, having won the 2016 G1 Shuka Sho, and she was second to Benbatl (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in last year's Turf. She was most recently second to Beauty Generation (NZ) (Rock to Rock {Aus}) in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile.

"Instead of our original plan, we want to run her one more time and will keep her in training until Dubai," said owner Kaz Sasaki, a retired Major League Baseball star. "The competition will probably be strong, but she does very well in 'away games.'"

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN NEW ZEALAND:

**Fazioli (Aus)**, g, 3, **Redoute's Choice (Aus)**--Presume (GB), by Galileo (Ire). Te Aroha, 1-3, Maiden, 1600mT, 1:38.16. B-B Lindsay (NSW). **VIDEO**

**Ardrossan (Aus)**, c, 4, **Redoute's Choice (Aus)**--Miss Argyle (Aus), by Iglesia (Aus). Te Aroha, 1-3, Hcp., 1200mT, 1:09.82. B-Windemere Stud (Qld). \*1/2 to Cheyenne Warrior (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}), SW-Aus, \$189,768; and Bergerac (Aus) (Drumbeats {Aus}), SW-Aus, A\$422,450. \*\*SW-NZ. \*\*\*A\$150,000 Ylg '16 INGFEb. **VIDEO**

AUSTRALIAN GROUP 1 RACES – 2018/2019

Date	Race	Track
Feb. 9	C. F. Orr S.	Caulfield
Feb. 16	Lightning S.	Flemington
Feb. 23	Blue Diamond S.	Caulfield
	Futurity S.	Caulfield
	Oakleigh Plate	Caulfield

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 4:35 p.m.**

**L'ORMARINS QUEEN'S PLATE-G1**, R1,500,000

(£81,686/€90,659/US\$103,725), 3yo/up, 1600mT



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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Legal Eagle (SAf)	Greys Inn	Marcus	Tarry	132
2	6	Do It Again (SAf)	Twice Over (GB)	Fourie	Snaith	132
3	5	Undercover Agent (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Orffer	Crawford	132
4	9	Hat Puntano (Arg)	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Dillon	Ramsden	132
5	4	Rainbow Bridge (SAf)	Ideal World	Fayd'Herbe	Sands	132
6	2	Amazing Strike (SAf)	Ideal World	Cheyne	Sands	132
7	1	Infamous Fox (Aus)	Foxwedge (Aus)	Danielson	Dawson	132
8	10	Buffalo Bill Cody (Ire)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Lerena	de Kock	131
9	8	Snowdance (SAf)	Captain AI (SAf)	Hewitson	Snaith	127
10	3	Soqrat (Aus)	Epaulette (Aus)	Simons	de Kock	121

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa, post time: 3:55 p.m.**

**CARTIER PADDOCK S.-G1**, R1,000,000

(£55,307/€61,330/US\$69,914), 3yo/up, 1800mT



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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	8	Cascapedia (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Lerena	de Kock	132
2	9	Brave Move (SAf)	Horse Chestnut (SAf)	Zackey	Marcus	132
3	10	Sylvan On Fire (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Danielson	Dawson	132
4	6	Safe Harbour (SAf)	Elusive Fort (SAf)	Munger	Tarry	132
5	7	Oh Susanna (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Fourie	Snaith	131
6	3	Lady In Black (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	Veale	Drier	131
7	1	Miyabi Gold (SAf)	Silvano (Ger)	Marcus	Snaith	131
8	12	Fresnaye (SAf)	Western Winter	Fayd'Herbe	Ramsden	131
9	5	Hashtagyolo (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	de Melo	Kannemeyer	131
10	2	Elusive Heart (SAf)	Elusive Fort (SAf)	Domeyer	Kotzen	131
11	4	Miss Katalin (SAf)	Trippi	Khumalo	Snaith	131
12	11	Second Request (SAf)	Twice Over (GB)	Hewitson	Tarry	119

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 2:00 p.m.**

**BAUHINIA SPRINT TROPHY H.-G3**, HK\$3,250,000 (£328,947/€363,849/A\$592,140/US\$414,975), 3yo/up, 1000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Ivictory (Aus)	Mossman (Aus)	Moreira	Size	133
2	6	Wishful Thinker (Aus)	I Am Invincible (Aus)	Badel	Gibson	113
3	4	Jumbo Luck (Aus)	Reward For Effort (Aus)	H N Wong	Lui	113
4	5	Jolly Banner (Aus)	Lonhro (Aus)	Poon	Yiu	113
5	2	Styling City (Aus)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Whyte	Moore	113
6	1	Fabulous One (NZ)	Elusive City	Chadwick	Gibson	113

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## AUSSIES ABROAD: CRAIG BROGDEN



Craig Brogden | Machmer Hall

By Bill Finley

Bill Finley recently spoke to Perth native, 42-year-old Craig Brogden. While his involvement in Australian racing was brief, he has established himself as one of the top figures in the U.S. breeding industry as the general manager of Machmer Hall, a breeding farm with a consistent record of success. Among others, Machmer Hall bred Tepin (Bernstein), a two-time American champion and the winner of the G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot.

**TDN AusNZ: You spent very little of your professional career working in Australia, but that is where you got interested racing. How did that happen?**

Craig Brogden: My first involvement in racing was actually through my grandfather. He used to gamble on the horses every weekend. He was just a small bettor. In the early eighties, he took us racing one day when I was probably nine years old to Newcastle and that was my first real exposure going to the races.

Horse racing is much bigger in terms of general public awareness in Australia than it is in the U.S. The newspapers always had a couple of pages dedicated to racing every day. When I was a young kid, I'd get the newspaper every day and read about the races. The Australian newspaper had a big breeders feature every Monday on the big races and I'd follow all the breeding and pedigrees.

That was my passion, I absorbed all that I could. I always thought I'd become a bloodstock agent or a pedigree guy. I used to understand all the line breeding and in-breeding, and I knew every stallion in the stallion register.

**TDN AusNZ: What was the extent of your experience working with horses before you left Australia?**

CB: I had a very good job at Emirates Park. They wanted me to spend the summer helping to prep the yearlings. I was a young kid who hadn't worked much with horses. I never really thought I'd be working on a horse farm when I was growing up.

We had a Fairy King colt we were prepping for the sales. That was before they were regularly shuttling him to Australia, so there were only four Fairy King yearlings in the entire country that year. That really perked my interest. The colt turned out to be Encosta De Lago. He was a very good race horse and the leading sire in Australia in 2008 and 2009. Horses like that are what really drive you, being around top level, Grade I horses.

**TDN AusNZ: You looked like you were on your way to a promising career in the industry in Australia. Why did you leave?**

CB: I wanted to see the world and learn the horse industry in a number of countries. I went to England first. When I was done there, it was a shorter flight to America than Australia, so I decided to go to Kentucky next.

I started at Three Chimneys. At the time, Three Chimneys was a much bigger operation and I wanted to experience something different than the big corporate farms. At a place like that, you'd be stuck in one division with one group of horses, and I wasn't learning what I really wanted to learn.

So I went to work for Dr. Phil McCarthy at Watercress Farm. I spent a year and a half there and probably learned more there in that year and a half than I learned in the previous six to seven years when I worked elsewhere.

I credit all my success today to Dr. McCarthy and what he taught me. He was ahead of everybody when it came to breeding commercial horses in Kentucky and knowing what the market wanted.

**TDN AusNZ: Next you met your wife Carrie, who was in the process of starting Machmer Hall, went to work with her, and have been there ever since. Machmer Hall's track record is outstanding. What are you guys doing right?**

CB: The main thing is raising horses to be athletes, I learned that from working with Dr. McCarthy.

You leave these horses outside as much as possible, letting them grow and build those bones, muscles and tendons, so they can withstand racing. A lot of people don't think about the fact that the factory is the broodmare and you have to make that factory valuable. If you don't raise the progeny the right way because you are only worried about the sale, then your factory is going to be damaged forever.

It's more important to us that the horse runs to the best of its abilities and is strong and durable for the owner that buys the horse than we get paid the most money on the day the horse sells. We will get paid a lot more money if that horse wins a graded stakes race or a Grade I because we still have the factory, the mother.

The most important thing for us is that the horse is raised to be a race horse. That's our breeding philosophy, as well. Nicks and all the stuff I thought were important when starting out looking at pedigrees and reading about breeding is really not that important in Machmer Hall's breeding philosophy. We are trying to breed big, strong, powerful horses, ones that are capable of winning big races.

People ask me what kind of horse are you trying to breed and I always say, 'look at the 100 meter sprinters at the Olympics.' Even if you don't know anything about the athletes themselves you can look at the eight runners lining up at the starting line and you would pick the same guy every time to win the race. If Usain Bolt were in that field you would always pick him to win the race because he just looks like he's faster than the rest of them. That's what we're trying to breed, the horse that looks like Usain Bolt.

**TDN AusNZ: What are some of the things they do differently in America than in Australia, things that maybe the Australian breeding industry could learn from?**

CB: The prepping of horses here for the sales is something that is so much more intense than in Australia. Bringing horses to the sales here is very professional across the board.

That's something I don't think is as intense in Australia--at least it wasn't before I left. Here, the yearlings look like mini-race horses, they're so fit and muscular. The professionalism in the yearling prep is remarkable.



Craig Brogden with his kids | Machmer Hall

**TDN AusNZ: You sound no more like you are from Australia than I do. There is almost zero hint of an accent. What happened?**

CB: It just faded away. Carrie does like to correct people. She would correct me when I would say something the Australian way instead of the American way. A lot of words, like 'tomato' versus 'tah-mah-to' were changed and that's how a lot of the accent got adjusted.

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