



## MARKET REMAINS STRONG AT KEENELAND JANUARY



House Rules brings a session-topping \$750,000 | Keeneland

by Jessica Martini & Christie DeBernardis

Bidding remained competitive throughout the day as the Book 1 portion of the Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale concluded Tuesday in Lexington. David Hanley of WinStar Farm made the highest bid of the day when going to \$750,000 to acquire multiple graded stakes winner **House Rules** (Distorted Humor) from the Blackwood Stables consignment as part of the J. V. Shields's dispersal.

"I thought today's session was quite strong all the way through," Keeneland's Director of Sales Operations Geoffrey Russell said at the close of business Tuesday. "It was a continuation of yesterday, with the short yearlings selling exceptionally well and the mares stepped up to the plate, too."

Through the first two sessions of the four-day auction, Keeneland sold 465 horses for a total of \$38,857,300. The average was \$83,564 and the median was \$37,000. Nineteen horses sold for \$300,000 or more during Book 1, up from 14 during the 2018 Book 1.

During Book 1 at the 2018 auction, 415 horses sold for \$28,302,000. The average was \$68,198 and the median was \$37,000. Two horses sold for seven figures in the book, led by the \$1.6-million Mrs McDougal (Medaglia d'Oro).

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## PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: QUALITY ROAD

by Andrew Caulfield

When it was announced that Quality Road's fee would more than double to \$150,000 this year, the son of Elusive Quality had justifiably been promoted to the major league of American stallions. Only War Front, Tapit, Medaglia d'Oro and Curlin are priced above him, and Quality Road shares the same fee as Into Mischief and Justify, so he is in exalted company.

However, in an industry increasingly prone to knee-jerk reactions, demand for his services has fluctuated quite markedly over the years. For example, his book of mares fell by around a third between his first and second seasons, from 149 mares in 2011 to 91 in 2012. After a reduction of his fee to \$25,000, his book revived to 136 mares in his third year, only to fall back to 110 in 2014. **Cont. p12**

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*Get Stormy takes in the sights and sounds with stallion manager Rogelio Castillo during Sunday's open house at Crestwood Farm in Lexington, KY. The son of Stormy Atlantic sired three graded stakes winners in 2018. | Sarah Andrew*

## **UNDER THE RADAR**

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## **WINSTAR TOPS BREEDERS LIST**

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*WinStar Farm LLC topped the individual breeders list in North America in 2018 with \$8,765,757 in earnings, according to statistics released Tuesday by The Jockey Club Information Systems.*

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While Tuesday's second session of the January auction lacked the fireworks provided by Monday's \$5-million sale of champion **Abel Tasman** (Quality Road), competition for young, well-covered mares remained high.

"Obviously, we didn't have an Abel Tasman today, but the mares that were here sold very well," Russell said. "House Rules, in foal to Quality Road, is the complete package--a graded stakes winner in foal to one of the hottest stallions in the world. I thought she was very well sold at that price and she goes to a good home in WinStar. We're sorry for the circumstances for the sale. Mr. Shields was a good friend."

After signing the ticket on Tuesday's session topper, Hanley admitted, "For the mares you want, it's tough. There aren't that many of them and they all are landing on the same ones. But she's the one we wanted to get today. So we're really happy."

Tuesday's buy-back rate was 21.68%, bringing the two-day

figure to 25.60%. It was 32.41% at the same point last year.

Russell credited the high clearance rate on consignors setting realistic reserves.

"These are very professional people," he said of the sellers.



**Abel Tasman | Keeneland**

"They have a good gauge on the market, they know what sells. The market is bringing the prices. So I would throw the credit back to the consignors who have adjusted to the market and have priced their horses correctly."

Quality continued to be key in the selective marketplace, according to bloodstock agent David Ingordo.

"People want quality and if you have quality, you are going to get rewarded," Ingordo said.

"There are nice horses right below that that, if you give up this or that, you get good value. There are some horses that just aren't worth it and that is reflected in their sales price. If you are honest with yourself about what your horse is worth, you will do fine."



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## WinStar Makes the House Rules



**House Rules** | Adam Coglianese

WinStar Farm General Manager David Hanley struck late in Tuesday's second session of the Keeneland January sale to acquire multiple graded stakes winner **House Rules** (Distorted Humor) ([hip 779](#)) for a session-topping \$750,000. The 8-year-old mare, in foal to Quality Road, was consigned by Blackwood Stables as agent for the dispersal of the bloodstock of the late J V Shields, Jr.

"First of all, Distorted Humor," Hanley answered when asked about the mare's appeal. "She has a ton of quality. She's a really beautiful mare and was obviously a really top runner. And we loved the cover. We are excited to see the Quality Road out of her, we think that's a great mating for her. We've been waiting for her all day and we're delighted to get her."

House Rules, co-bred by WinStar and El Catorce Inc., was purchased for \$90,000 as a Keeneland September Yearling in 2012. She won the 2015 GIII Top Flight H. and GIII Rampart S. in Shields's colors. Out of Grade I placed Teamgeist (Arg) (Mutakddim), House Rules is a half-sister to Grade I placed Win the Space (Pulpit).

Longtime owner and breeder Shields passed away last October. During his time in racing, Shields served as Director of the New York Racing Association, Director of the Breeders' Cup, Trustee of the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation and Trustee of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame. He was a founding member of the National Thoroughbred

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**ROLY POLY (USA)** (f by War Front), **4th top rated 2yr old filly in Europe in 2016**, won 6 races at 2 and 3 years, 2017 and £709,908 including Falmouth Stakes, Gr.1, Sun Chariot Stakes, Gr.1, Prix Rothschild, Deauville, Gr.1, Duchess Of Cambridge Stakes, Gr.2 and Balanchine Stakes, Gr.3, placed second in Cheveley Park Stakes, Gr.1, Coronation Stakes, Gr.1, Irish 1000 Guineas, Gr.1 and Lowther Stakes, Gr.2.

**U S NAVY FLAG (USA)** (c by War Front), see above.  
**COVER SONG (USA)** (f by Fastnet Rock), won 2 races at 3 years in U.S.A. and £83,738 including Autumn Miss Stakes, Gr.3

**2nd Dam.**  
**BUTTERFLY COVE (USA)** (f by Storm Cat), unraced; Own sister to **KAMARINSKAYA (USA)**; dam of five winners including-  
**BALLYDOYLE (IRE)** (f by Galileo), **Champion 2yr old filly in France in 2015**, **2nd top rated 2yr old filly in Ireland in 2015**, won 3 races at 2 years and £367,806 including Prix Marcel Boussac, Longchamp, Gr.1, Debutante Stakes, Gr.2, placed second in Moyglare Stud Stakes, Gr.1, 1000 Guineas Stakes, Gr.1 and Chesham Stakes, L.

**MISTY FOR ME (IRE)** (f by Galileo), see above.  
**TWIRL (IRE)** (f by Galileo), won 2 races at 2 and 3 years and £68,520 including Hurry Harriet Stakes, L., placed second in Musidora Stakes, Gr.3, Park Express Stakes, Gr.3.

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Blackwood Stables sold five horses on behalf of the phase 1 of the Shields' dispersal Tuesday at Keeneland. In addition to House Rules, the dispersal also included multiple graded stakes winner Classic Point (Flatter) ([hip 672](#)), who sold for \$370,000 to Catherine Parke on behalf of Marc Keller and graded stakes placed Full House (Discreetly Mine) ([hip 739](#)), who brought a final bid of \$240,000 from Atlantic Bloodstock.

"It is a very bittersweet moment, but we are glad the market appreciated all of Jerry Shields's horses," said Katey Caddel, director of client relations and bloodstock for Blackwood Stables. "He was an avid supporter of the sport and truly loved this game and that is reflected in his horses. We are proud to sell them here, but obviously it's a bittersweet moment."

[@JessMartiniTDN](#)

## Three Chimneys Holds Out For the 'Best'



Chris Baker | Keeneland

Though Three Chimneys Farm was the underbidder on a few horses earlier in the sale, the historic operation held out for one they really wanted with the farm's COO Chris Baker fending off all comers late in Tuesday's session to take home GISP Best Performance (Broken Vow) for \$560,000.

"She is by a stallion we have a lot of respect for," said a smiling Baker after signing the ticket on [hip 795A](#). "She is very good looking and she can run. In this day and age, if you like them, or like that many things about them, you have to stretch to get them. We are happy to have her."

As for future plans, he said, "We will breed her in 2019. We don't know to who yet."

A \$185,000 KEESEP buy turned \$300,000 FTFMAR juvenile purchase, Best Performance retired with a record of 10-1-5-0 and earnings of \$398,448. Campaigned by West Point Thoroughbreds, Tango Uniform Racing and Robert Masiello, the Christophe Clement trainee completed the exacta in five black-type events during her 2017 juvenile campaign, including the GIII Schuylerville S. on the dirt, and in the GIII Miss Grillo S. and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf on that surface. The chestnut made her final start in November.

"I think if you look at the stakes placings she had, in the Breeders' Cup, a Grade I, as a 2-year-old, it is probably more ability—even though it didn't show up on the catalogue page—for us, that she had Grade I class," Baker said."

Out of the Smart Strike mare Give My Regards, Best Performance is a half to SP My California (Calimonco) and hails from the family of GSW Broadway Empire (Empire Maker). She was consigned by Lane's End, who was the session's leading consignor by gross receipts, with 22 horses selling for \$2,429,000—an average of \$110,409.

West Point Thoroughbreds was also represented by SW Lavender Chrissie (Scat Daddy), who sold to David Ingordo on behalf of Montia Holdings LLC for \$400,000 carrying her first foal by Union Rags. --[@CDeBernardisTDN](#)

## Media Mischief to Springhouse Farm



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Gabriel Duignan | Keeneland

**Media Mischief** (Into Mischief) ([hip 440](#)) will be joining the broodmare band at Springhouse Farm after Gabriel Duignan signed the ticket at \$450,000 to acquire the 5-year-old mare in foal to Pioneerof the Nile.

"She is a nice mare with a nice page," Duignan said of the mare, who was consigned by Eaton Sales. "There is a lot to like about her."

Out of Media Nox (GB), Media Mischief is a half-sister to multiple Group 1 winner Nebraska Tornado (Storm Cat) and group winners Burning Sun (Danzig) and Mirabilis (Lear Fan).

Bred by Juddmonte Farms, Media Mischief made two starts in Khalid Abdullah's colors in 2017 before selling for 250,000gns to Mercer Bloodstock at the Tattersalls December sale. In foal to Pioneerof the Nile, she RNA'd for \$475,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale.

The pedigree has been active in the U.S. recently. Media Nox's daughter Imprecation (First Defence) is the dam of 3-year-old AnotherTwistafate (Scat Daddy), who has impressed in a pair of wins at Golden Gate Fields and is expected to head towards the Feb. 16 El Camino Real Derby.

Duignan acknowledged that colt's Northern California exploits added to Media Mischief's appeal.

"He could be very good," Duignan said of AnotherTwistafate. "I know it's Golden Gate, but he could be very, very good. He's not your ordinary Golden Gate horse." [@JessMartiniTDN](#)

## 'Sweet' Buy for Hyde

Breeder Tim Hyde added one of Tuesday's more popular mares to his band when going to \$420,000 to secure **Sweet Dreams** (Candy Ride {Arg}), who was the only mare in foal to Tapit offered at Keeneland January.

"I thought she was very pretty," Hyde said of [hip 568](#). "Her foal was very nice that was here in November. She is a good-looking

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mare and she is carrying a Tapit. We will probably resell the baby as a yearling."

Bred by Courtlandt Farm, Sweet Dreams is out of SW & GSP Cat Charmer (Storm Cat) and is a half-sister to MGSW Strike Charmer (Smart Strike). Gail Cox purchased the dark bay for \$67,000 at the 2013 Keeneland September Sale and she won one of three starts.

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2015 carrying a foal by Animal Kingdom. The resulting foal, a filly named Bentley's Dream was a \$65,000 KEENOV weanling turned \$325,000 FTSAUG yearling and she won on debut for Lothenbach Stables at Churchill Downs in November. Sweet Dreams was purchased by McMahon and Hill Bloodstock on behalf of Buscar Stable for \$180,000 at the 2016 KEENOV sale in foal to Street Sense and that colt brought \$210,000 from Japanese interests at the following year's November sale. That operation sold her 2018 Tapit colt this past November to Alex Solis and Jason Litt for \$380,000.

"She was a standout as the only mare in foal to Tapit," said Sergio de Sousa of Hidden Brook, who consigned the mare. "Her broodmare career got started off on a good note with her first foal winning first time out. Mission accomplished for us. Well done to the owners and good luck to the new connections." --@CDeBernardisTDN

## Ingordo Strikes for Lavender Chrissie



David Ingordo | Keeneland

Stakes winner **Lavender Chrissie** (Scat Daddy) ([hip 410](#)) got things rolling early in Tuesday's session when selling for

\$400,000 to bloodstock agent David Ingordo, who was acting on behalf of a longtime client. Consigned by Lane's End, the 7-year-old mare sold in foal to Union Rags.

"She was a lovely yearling," Ingordo said after signing the ticket out back. "We knew her from a yearling. She is in foal to Union Rags. Scat Daddy needs no introduction. He is going to be a super broodmare sire. She was, on physical, as pretty of a mare as was going to walk up here."

He continued, "This client is going to build a commercial racing/broodmare band. He knows I work at Lane's End and he knew the mare was there, so he said if you like her, buy her. She will probably go to one of our stallions at Lane's End."

A \$185,000 KEESEP yearling purchase by West Point Thoroughbreds, Lavender Chrissie won four of her eight starts for trainer Dale Romans, highlighted by a victory in the 2015 Zia Park Oaks. She RNA'd for \$290,000 at the 2016 Fasig-Tipton November Sale, after which she was put back in training. The gray made just one more start in April of 2017 before being officially retired with earnings of \$281,093.

A full-sister to MGSP Gossamer Wings, Lavender Chrissie is a half-sister to GSW Baby J (J Be K) and SW & GISP Laureate Conductor (Bernstein). --@CDeBernardisTDN

## Union Rags Colt Proves Popular at KEEJAN

A yearling colt by Union Rags ([hip 621](#)) was a hot commodity at Keeneland January Tuesday and ultimately sold to Gerry Dilger for \$390,000.

Bred by Kinnickinnic Stables, the bay is the first foal out of Zondaq (Bernardini), a half-sister to GSW & GISP Discreet Dancer (Discreet Cat); GSW Travelin Man (Trippi); and SW & GSP Sweet N Discreet (Discreet Cat). Zondaq, a \$425,000 KEESEP yearling, was purchased by New Providence Bloodstock for \$190,000 at the 2016 Fasig-Tipton February Sale and made two starts for Mike Ryan and trainer Rudy Rodriguez before retiring in the fall of 2016. The colt was consigned here by Indian Creek.

"He was really well received," said Indian Creek's Shack

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Parrish. "It was a little bit above what we expected, but we loved it. Credit should go, I must say, to our former farm manager, who left on the 31st and did the majority of the prep on this guy."

Indian Creek sold another pricey short yearling later in the sale in **hip 795F**, a colt by Kitten's Joy out of Illegal Search (Officer), who summoned \$250,000 from Dudley Racing. The bay was bred by Susan King in partnership with Ken and Sarah Ramsey. --

*@CDeBernardisTDN*

## McMahon Gets Happy



Hip 560: Runhappy—Summer Cruise | Keeneland

Bloodstock agent Mike McMahon wasn't able to acquire a weanling from the first crop of Runhappy at the November sales, but he rectified that Tuesday at Keeneland when purchasing a son of the sprint champion for \$250,000.

"Runhappy is really a sire that we wanted to buy a colt by and this was the best colt here," McMahon said. "He stacked up really high with the colts we tried to buy in November. We've been after a Runhappy for a while."

**Hip 560** is out of multiple stakes winner Summer Cruise (Vicar) and is a half-brother to graded stakes winner Sandbar (War Pass) and stakes placed Cruzette (War Pass). He was bred by Matthew Ernst and Martha Buckner and was consigned by her family's Clarkland Farm.

Clarkland purchased Summer Cruise, in foal to Lea, for \$100,000 at the 2016 Keeneland November sale. Her filly by Lea sold for \$110,000 at the 2017 Keeneland November sale and resold for \$150,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky October sale.

Runhappy had 14 weanlings sell at the Keeneland November sale for an average of \$149,643 and a median of \$145,000. The stallion stands at Claiborne Farm for \$25,000.

Asked what has impressed about the champion's first crop of

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foals, McMahon said, "They have lots of quality. They are forward horses, bright and good-shaped. They have great hind legs and conformation."

Hip 560 is likely destined for a return engagement in the sales ring later in the year.

"He'll pinhook," McMahon said. "Probably at [Fasig-Tipton] Saratoga, but not necessarily. It could be Keeneland, too. We'll just play it by ear and see how he develops. He'll get every chance." *@JessMartiniTDN*



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TOP NINE BROODMARES

Hip	Name	Status	Price
779	<b>House Rules</b>	i/f <b>Quality Road</b>	750,000
	(8, Distorted Humor--Teamgeist {Arg}, by Mutakddim)		
	<i>Consignor: Blackwood Stables, Agent for the Phase 1</i>		
	<i>Dispersal of JV Shields Jr</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: WinStar Farm</i>		
795A	<b>Best Performance</b>	Rcg/b'mare prospect	560,000
	(4, Broken Vow--Give My Regards, by Smart Strike)		
	<i>Consignor: Lane's End, Agent</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Three Chimneys Farm</i>		
440	<b>Media Mischief</b>	i/f <b>Pioneerof the Nile</b>	450,000
	(5, Into Mischief--Media Nox {GB}, by Lycius)		
	<i>Consignor: Eaton Sales, Agent</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Springhouse Farm</i>		
568	<b>Sweet Dreams</b>	i/f <b>Tapit</b>	420,000
	(7, Candy Ride {Arg}--Cat Charmer, by Storm Cat)		
	<i>Consignor: Hidden Brook, Agent XXV</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Eaton Sales Bloodstock</i>		
410	<b>Lavender Chrissie</b>	i/f <b>Union Rags</b>	400,000
	(7, Scat Daddy--Lavender Baby, by Rubiano)		
	<i>Consignor: Lane's End, Agent</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Montia Holdings LLC</i>		
672	<b>Classic Point</b>	i/f <b>Distorted Humor</b>	370,000
	(10, Flatter--Discerning, by Langfuhr)		
	<i>Consignor: Blackwood Stables, Agent for the Phase 1</i>		
	<i>Dispersal of JV Shields Jr</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Catherine Parke, Agent for Marc Keller</i>		
755	<b>Gracer</b>	i/f <b>Empire Maker</b>	345,000
	(8, Exchange Rate--Tina's Goal, by El Corredor)		
	<i>Consignor: Havens Bloodstock Agency Inc, Agent</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Twin Creeks Farm</i>		
585	<b>Top Quality</b>	Rcg/b'mare prospect	335,000
	(5, Quality Road--Lemon Bay, by Bernardini)		
	<i>Consignor: Eaton Sales, Agent</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: WinStar Farm</i>		
433	<b>Malibu Stacy</b>	Rcg/b'mare prospect	320,000
	(6, Tizway--Malibu Pier, by Malibu Moon)		
	<i>Consignor: Hidden Brook, Agent XXIV</i>		
	<i>Purchaser: Oakridge Farm</i>		

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## TOP SIX SHORT YEARLING\$

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price
621	colt	<b>Union Rags</b>	Zondaq	390,000
		Breeder: Kinnickinnick Stables (KY)		
		Consignor: Indian Creek, Agent		
		Purchaser: Albert Racing		
560	colt	<b>Runhappy</b>	Summer Cruise	250,000
		Breeder: Matthew Ernst & Martha Buckner (KY)		
		Consignor: Clarkland Farm LLC		
		Purchaser: McMahon & Hill Bloodstock, Agent		

<b>795F colt</b>	<b>Kitten's Joy</b>	<b>Illegal Search</b>	<b>250,000</b>
<i>Breeder: Susan King &amp; Kenneth L &amp; Sarah K Ramsey (KY)</i>			
<i>Consignor: Indian Creek, Agent</i>			
<i>Purchaser: Dudley Racing</i>			
<b>404</b>	<b>colt</b>	<b>Cairo Prince</b>	<b>Lady Lapuma</b>
			<b>230,000</b>
<i>Breeder: Highclere (KY)</i>			
<i>Consignor: Stuart Morris, Agent III</i>			
<i>Purchaser: BBN Bloodstock</i>			
<b>425</b>	<b>filly</b>	<b>Ghostzapper</b>	<b>Lovely Daughter</b>
			<b>225,000</b>
<i>Breeder: Martha Jane Mulholland &amp; Tom Grether Farm (KY)</i>			
<i>Consignor: Mulholland Springs, Agent VIII</i>			
<i>Purchaser: Bradley Thoroughbreds, Agent</i>			
<b>455</b>	<b>colt</b>	<b>Nyquist</b>	<b>Moon Music</b>
			<b>220,000</b>
<b>(\$120,000 in utero '17 KEENOV)</b>			
<i>Breeder: William D Graham (ON)</i>			
<i>Consignor: Eaton Sales, Agent for</i>			
<i>William D Graham (Windhaven Farms)</i>			
<i>Purchaser: Fish Bloodstock</i>			

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• Catalogued	409	391
• No. Offered	309	311
• No. Sold	242	229
• RNAs	67	82
• % RNAs	21.7%	26.4%
• No. \$300K+	10	6
• High Price	\$750,000	\$1,600,000
• Gross	\$17,805,100	\$15,036,900
• Average (% change)	\$73,575 (+12%)	\$65,663
• Median (% change)	\$35,000 (+40%)	\$25,000

<b>CUMULATIVE</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
• Catalogued	817	783
• No. Offered	625	614
• No. Sold	465	415
• RNAs	160	199
• % RNAs	25.6%	32.4%
• No. \$300K+	19	14
• High Price	\$5,000,000	\$1,600,000
• Gross	\$38,857,300	\$28,302,000
• Average (% change)	\$83,564 (+22.5%)	\$68,198
• Median (% change)	\$37,000 (n/c)	\$37,000

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**FUNTASTIC** (c. by More Than Ready). 4 wins at 3, 2018, \$409,943. N.A./U.S., United Nations S. [G1] (MTH \$100,000), Gio Ponti S. (AC \$30,000). (Total: \$410,711).

**QUIET GIANT** (f. by Giant's Causeway).

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## KEENELAND JANUARY –

### TUESDAY MARES

Hip	Name	Status	Price (\$)
410	Lavender Chrissie	i/f Union Rags	400,000

(7, Scat Daddy–Lavender Baby, by Rubiano)

Consignor: Lane's End, agent

Purchaser: Montia Holdings LLC

West Point raced Lavender Chrissie--a \$185K KEESEP purchase--to four wins from eight starts, including the 2015 Zia Park Oaks, for earnings in excess of \$281K. They elected to retain the filly when she RNAd for \$290K at FTKNOV in 2016.

### SHORT YEARLINGS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
425	filly	Ghostzapper	Lovely Daughter	225,000

Breeder: Martha Jane Mulholland, Tom Grether Farm (KY)

Consignor: Mulholland Springs, Agent VIII

Purchaser: Bradley Thoroughbreds, Agent

Martha Jane Mulholland and her late husband John acquired this filly's dam, a Big Brown half-sister to GSW Starship Truffles (Ghostzapper), for \$40K at KEENOV in 2013. The couple put the mare in foal to Ghostzapper, but bought her back on a bid of \$120K at FTKFEB in 2015. That produce fetched \$130K as a KEESEP yearling and a full-brother made \$270K at KEENOV in 2017.

455	colt	Nyquist	Moon Music	220,000
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Breeder: William D Graham (ON)

Consignor: Eaton Sales,

Agent for William D Graham (Windhaven Farms)

Purchaser: Fish Bloodstock

The Ontario-based William D. Graham purchased Moon Music (Malibu Moon) with this colt in utero for \$120K at KEENOV in 2017. Moon Magic, also the dam of SW Uncle Brennie (Uncle Mo), produced a colt by Nyquist in 2018 and is due again to the Darley-based Kentucky Derby winner.

560	colt	Runhappy	Summer Cruise	250,000
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Breeder: Clarkland Farm (KY)

Consignor: Clarkland Farm LLC

Purchaser: McMahon & Hill Bloodstock, Agent

Clarkland Farm paid \$100K for MSW Summer Cruise (Vicar) in

foal to Lea at KEENOV in 2016 and sold the mare's half-sister to GSW Sandbar (War Pass) for \$110K at KEENOV the following fall.



Each sales day, we ask one buyer to look at the day's results, and choose the horse he or she thinks was the Buy of the Day.



Nick Sallusto | Fasig-Tipton

### Hip 416: Lilies So Fair (Giant's Causeway)

Buyer: John Gunther. Price: \$170,000



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## PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

by Andrew Caulfield



That was the year Quality Road's first crop came out with all guns blazing, with his sons Hootenanny and Blofeld respectively ranking joint-third and joint-eighth among the colts on the Experimental Free Handicap. Understandably, this earned him a book of 152 mares in 2015, with his fee restored to \$35,000, but 2015 wasn't a banner year for Quality Road's progeny. They failed to win a graded stake and, as a consequence, his book fell by 40 mares in 2016, leaving him with a crop of 81 2-year-olds to race this year.

Fortunately, his early crops have done so well that they have smoothed out any further bumps in the road, and the stallion is enjoying a well-deserved spell of popularity, during which his fee has gone from \$35,000 to \$70,000 and now to \$150,000.

Needless to say, he needed to achieve something fairly extraordinary to fuel these latest increases. The bare facts are that he was represented by no fewer than 11 graded stakes winners in 2017, even though his total number of starters--207--was markedly smaller than those of some of his rivals.

### Recent Stakes success from his current 3yo crop:

- 01/05/19 LNJ Foxwoods' **Fancy Dress Party** won the Glitter Woman Stakes at Gulfstream Park by **5¾ lengths** to remain unbeaten (PICTURED)
- 12/29/18 **Please Flatter Me** won the Gin Talking Stakes at Laurel Park by **5¾ lengths**
- 12/08/18 **Money Fromheaven** won the Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship Stakes at Laurel Park



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**Quality Road | Lane's End**

He went close to equaling that feat last year, when he had 10 graded winners among his 221 starters. Five of them scored at the highest level, and one, City of Light, took the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile to follow Hootenanny (Juvenile Turf) and Caledonia Road (Juvenile Fillies) as his third Breeders' Cup winner from his first five crops of racing age. He hadn't fallen far short of another Breeders' Cup winner when his champion daughter Abel Tasman narrowed Forever Unbridled's winning margin to half a length in the 2017 Distaff.

Quality Road's squad of 2018 graded winners underlined his versatility, in addition to his unusual ability. They included members of his first, third, fourth and fifth crops, with the first being represented by Spring Quality (GI Manhattan S. over a mile and a quarter on turf) and Great Stuff (GIII Toboggan S. over seven furlongs). At the other end of the age scale came Lonely Road (GIII Matron S. over six furlongs on turf) and the high-class Bellafina (three graded wins, including Grade I victories in the Del Mar Debutante over seven furlongs and the Chandelier S. over 1 1/16 miles). Bellafina showed that she has lost none of her speed or ability when she easily gave weight and a beating to four opponents in the GII Santa Ynez S. over the weekend.

Quality Road himself raced only once as a 2-year-old, for a maiden special weight win at Aqueduct, and his sire Elusive Quality was unraced at two. That hasn't stopped him siring plenty of good juveniles, with Bellafina, Abel Tasman, Caledonia Road, Hootenanny, Klimt, Blofeld, Lonely Road and Road to Victory all becoming graded winners at two.

Similarly, the fact that Quality Road was a dirt specialist hasn't stopped him siring plenty of good turf performers, as did his sire Elusive Quality and grandsires Gone West and Strawberry Road. Hootenanny, Spring Quality and Illuminant have all enjoyed Grade I success on turf, while Paved, Frank Conversation, Lonely

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Road and Cowboy Culture are other graded winners on turf. Perhaps the time has come for Europeans to give him more than a cursory look, as his sire enjoyed Group 1 success in Europe with Raven's Pass, Elusive City, Elusive Kate and Certify.

An interesting aspect of Bellafina's pedigree is that she is out of a Malibu Moon mare, the stakes-placed Akron Moon. Bellafina is comfortably the best winner sired so far by Quality Road from mares by sons of A.P. Indy, but there are also Grade III-placed performers out of daughters of Congrats and Bernardini, as well as Bellafina's brother Diamond King, who has been second or third in three GIIs at up to nine furlongs.

Bellafina ranks alongside Stellar Wind, Girvin, By the Moon and My Conquestadory as one of five Grade I winners produced by daughters of Malibu Moon. Bearing in mind that Malibu Moon spent his first four years as a stallion at a very modest fee in Maryland, he had every right to make a slowish start as a

broodmare sire with his eldest daughters. All five of his Grade I winners are out of mares sired after his move to Kentucky, following his eye-catching start with his first runners in 2003.

**Not For Love**, the non-stakes-winning stallion responsible for Bellafina's second dam Akronism, is another well-connected horse who gave Maryland breeders access to some first-rate bloodlines. Akronism took the Maryland Million Distaff H. over seven furlongs as a 3-year-old and later took the GIII Royal North S. over six furlongs on turf and the GIII Seaway S. on all-weather.

Bellafina has almost single-handedly raised this family's

profile. As recently as November 2016, Akron Moon failed to find a buyer at \$47,000. Two years later, after Bellafina's two Grade I successes, she was back under the hammer. Although she again failed to sell, she was RNA'd at \$2,700,000, again in foal to Quality Road.

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# UNDER THE RADAR



*Today, we begin a series where we ask agents and others who book a lot of mares for their clients which sires might be flying slightly under the radar in this breeding season. Who might be getting overlooked in the rush for the new, hot thing? Read on.*

## Clark Shepherd, Shepherd Equine Advisers: TONALIST – Lane's End Farm, \$15,000



**Tonalist | Lane's End**

When I analyze matings for my clients, I try to stay commercial, but first and foremost, I want to design a racehorse. I make a list of OPTIMAL Matings from my overall analysis, then drop back and ask what makes sense physically, then what makes sense commercially.

I focus mainly on the \$15,000-plus seasons for built-in commercial perception. If asked this same question last year, I would have said Blame. I supported him from the beginning, and to get to him last year for \$12,500 was a blessing. Now, it's hard to get a mare to him. I have also strongly supported stallions like Violence in a similar way from the start.

In doing upwards of 100 matings per year, you start to see a lot of patterns. Every year, a new sire has a pedigree structure that tends to accommodate a broad base of mares. This is almost always a strong indicator of a potential racehorse sire. I like to support this type of stallion in the beginning and even through his "off" years prior to his progeny hitting the track. This approach has proved to be very rewarding. Real results end up creating commercial success, even if it wasn't necessarily perceived that way in the beginning.

This year, I'd have to say Tonalist fits the same profile of sire

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potential and great value. I've been a heavy supporter of Tonalist from day one. I've already booked mares this year to him. He's come down the ladder as far as stud fee, and he seems to accommodate all kinds of mares, both physically and by pedigree structure. I've been able to back up my initial impression with what my clients' mares have produced and what I've seen at the sales, not to mention his good sales averages. They might not be 2-year-olds winning at Keeneland in April; they may take a little time, but they're going to be good horses.

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## WINSTAR TOPS BREEDERS LIST IN 2018



Kenny Troutt (right) | Horsephotos

WinStar Farm LLC topped the individual breeders list in North America in 2018 with \$8,765,757 in earnings, according to statistics released Tuesday by The Jockey Club Information Systems. WinStar Farm LLC bred 219 starters with 204 wins, 164 seconds, and 144 thirds out of 1,216 starts. WinStar Farm LLC also led the individual breeders list in 2016.

Calumet Farm was second with earnings of \$8,572,959 and 211 wins out of 1,787 starts.

In addition, WinStar Farm LLC topped the breeders list that includes partners with \$11,817,080 in earnings and 319 wins from 2,020 starts. Calumet Farm came in second with \$8,630,379 in earnings and 213 wins out of 1,812 starts.

Rounding out the top 10 individual breeders were Besilu Stables LLC, \$7,764,896 (20 wins/100 starts); Brereton C. Jones, \$7,584,838 (228/1,477); Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey, \$7,037,007 (238/1,680); Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings



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LLC, \$6,938,655 (113/665); Adena Springs, \$6,462,689 (167/1,013); Mike Abraham, \$6,416,972 (62/491); Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC, \$5,955,327 (137/982); and Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd., \$5,747,427 (92/556).

Completing the list of the top 10 breeders including partnerships were Brereton C. Jones, \$8,576,043 (246 wins/1,641 starts); Besilu Stables LLC, \$7,862,435 (23/116); Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey, \$7,167,593 (243/1,734); Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, \$7,149,383 (122/724); Adena Springs, \$6,911,399 (183/1154); Fred W. Hertrich III, \$6,692,104 (136/864); and Mike Abraham, \$6,587,070 (70/528).

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## THE LAST WORD WITH JOEL ROSARIO

by Dan Ross



**Joel Rosario | Coady**

*Wondering what a model of consistency looks like? Look no further than Joel Rosario, a perennial presence at the top of the jockey tree. Even so, 2018 proved to be an annus mirabilis for Rosario, whose recent win in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic applied the polish to an already gilded season. In this "Last Word," Rosario talks presidents, baseball, and role models.*

**TDN:** Where does your Breeders' Cup Classic win for John Sadler fit into your career, taking into account your Dubai World Cup and Kentucky Derby wins?

**JR:** John and I go way back, starting with my time in California. He gave me many opportunities. I feel really grateful. And I think it's another step forward in my career--a big step for me. I used to watch the Breeders' Cup and races like that [as a kid]. I never thought in my life I'd be in this position.

**TDN:** Talking of the Kentucky Derby, I hear the president of the Dominican Republic called you after your Derby win. What did you talk about? Did you think it was a hoax?

**JR:** Yeah, I did to begin with. It was a complete surprise. He just congratulated me for winning the Kentucky Derby.

**TDN:** You're the most successful jockey to come out of the Dominican Republic. Do you think your achievements have influenced the kids back there?

**JR:** I think so--there's not many jockeys who come out of the



# TONALIST

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## TAPIT'S #1 FRESHMAN SIRE OF YEARLINGS IN 2018

	Stallion	Average
1	<b>TONALIST</b>	<b>\$103,036</b>
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Dominican Republic. Everybody growing up there, they want to play baseball. For me, being so successful, winning all those races, definitely gives the kids something to look up to.

**TDN:** Who has been your biggest role model in life and why?

**JR:** In life, I think I'm going to say my role model is my mom. She's a very special person. She's amazing. She's the kind of person who likes to help people--she likes to care for everybody.

**TDN:** Is she proud of your career?

**JR:** I think she is, yes, very proud of me. She watches the races every day, always watching where I am, seeing how I'm doing. She's always been very supportive.

**TDN:** Who has been the most influential person in your career and why?

**JR:** A lot of people have helped me be where I am now, starting in the Dominican Republic all the way to the United States. Lots of people have given me lots of opportunities. I couldn't single one person out.

**TDN:** Let's talk about your early years in the Dominican Republic. How did the racing industry there prepare you for your career in America?

**JR:** I went to jockey school. It was a little hard to get in because I



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**COZZY CORNER** [G3]. 4 wins.

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### 3<sup>RD</sup> dam

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was so young, well under the age of 18. My mom and dad had to be responsible for me. I got my jockey's license at the age of 13. It was competitive, the racing there. It's tough no matter what--even a two-horse race is tough to win.

**TDN:** You won four jockey championships over there. Were you a bit of a superstar?

**JR:** Yeah, I was! Television, magazines. They follow racing closely over there.

**TDN:** What do you miss most about the Dominican Republic? Do you go back often?

**JR:** I have a big family there still. I miss the people, the food, everything. That's where I grew up. I go back when I have time--I'm always so busy here. Not much vacation. When I have a few days off I go back.

**TDN:** I've read you said you would be a baseball player if you weren't a jockey. Is that right? If so, what position do you play?

**JR:** I love horses, but I love baseball, too. I can play any position. I love playing third base the most.

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## STEPHEN GOT EVEN DEAD AT 23



Stephen Got Even | Equi-Photo

**Stephen Got Even** (A.P. Indy–Immerse, by Cox's Ridge), millionaire and winner of the 2000 GI Donn H., has died at



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age 23 at Lane's End Farm. Stephen Got Even stood at Lane's End from 2001 through 2015 and retired from stud alongside his sire. He is the sire of champion 2-year-old colt Stevie Wonderboy and Grade I winners First Dude and I Want Revenge. He sired no fewer than 38 black-type stakes winners; his progeny have earned more than \$50.5 million. Bred by W. S. Farish and W. S. Kilroy, Stephen Got Even was foaled at Lane's End Farm and sold to Stephen and Tomisue Hilbert for \$325,000 at the 1997 Keeneland July Yearling Sale. He will be buried in the cemetery at Lane's End. "Stephen Got Even will be greatly missed at the farm and will be remembered for his kind disposition," a press release from Lane's End read.

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## STALLIONS' FIRST FOALS

### KLIMT

- Darby Dan Farm's Klimt, a Grade I-winning juvenile by Quality Road, sired his first reported foal Saturday, Jan. 5 at Britt Wadsworth's Mahoney Eden Manor in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
- Bred by Randy Brandon, the colt is produced from the winning Medaglia d'Oro mare D'Orsay, who is out of the Roar mare



**Klimt's First Foal**

Forty Marchanta (Arg), a multiple Group 1 winner and champion 3-year-old filly in Argentina.

- "The future is bright for Klimt," said Ryan Norton, stallion director at Darby Dan. "He was an accomplished racehorse, he possesses a stallion's pedigree and has a great physical to match. He bred a strong first book of mares, and his first foal looks the part."

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## Leading 2018 Sires by G1/GI Stakes Winners

for stallions standing in North America/NH-born progeny

Earnings represent worldwide figures, stud fees listed are 2019 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	<b>More Than Ready</b> (1997) by Southern Halo	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>1,660,000</b>	<b>13,958,588</b>
										<i>Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$80,000</i>	<i>Roy H</i>
2	<b>Quality Road</b> (2006) by Elusive Quality	<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>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$150,000</i>	<i>City of Light</i>
3	<b>Candy Ride (Arg)</b> (1999) by Ride the Rails	<b>17</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>7,000,000</b>	<b>17,976,492</b>
										<i>Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$80,000</i>	<i>Gun Runner</i>
4	<b>War Front</b> (2002) by Danzig	<b>20</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>952,096</b>	<b>8,881,186</b>
										<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$250,000</i>	<i>Homesman</i>
5	<b>English Channel</b> (2002) by Smart Strike	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>644,880</b>	<b>7,877,100</b>
										<i>Stands: Calumet Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i>	<i>Channel Maker</i>
6	<b>Kitten's Joy</b> (2001) by El Prado (Ire)	<b>17</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>3,929,935</b>	<b>19,109,185</b>
										<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$75,000</i>	<i>Hawkbill</i>
7	<b>Scat Daddy</b> (2004) by Johannesburg	<b>20</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>3,798,000</b>	<b>16,389,024</b>
										<i>Stands: Ashford Stud USA (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>	<i>Justify</i>
8	<b>Tapit</b> (2001) by Pulpit	<b>15</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>680,000</b>	<b>13,790,935</b>
										<i>Stands: Gainesway Farm KY Fee: \$225,000</i>	<i>Unique Bella</i>
9	<b>Lookin At Lucky</b> (2007) by Smart Strike	<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>Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$20,000</i>	<i>Accelerate</i>
10	<b>Malibu Moon</b> (1997) by A.P. Indy	<b>11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>1,177,800</b>	<b>10,331,603</b>
										<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$75,000</i>	<i>Magnum Moon</i>
11	<b>Blame</b> (2006) by Arch	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>718,550</b>	<b>7,821,305</b>
										<i>Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i>	<i>Marley's Freedom</i>
12	<b>Into Mischief</b> (2005) by Harlan's Holiday	<b>18</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>1,141,120</b>	<b>14,085,598</b>
										<i>Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$150,000</i>	<i>Audible</i>
13	<b>Curlin</b> (2004) by Smart Strike	<b>17</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1,728,400</b>	<b>12,469,090</b>
										<i>Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$175,000</i>	<i>Good Magic</i>
14	<b>Street Sense</b> (2004) by Street Cry (Ire)	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>876,000</b>	<b>10,317,077</b>
										<i>Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$50,000</i>	<i>McKinzie</i>
15	<b>Speightstown</b> (1998) by Gone West	<b>17</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>1,210,707</b>	<b>9,927,465</b>
										<i>Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$80,000</i>	<i>Matera Sky</i>

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**9th**-Parx Racing, \$53,578, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 1-8, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:24.29, ft.

**IT'S GOOD TO BE US** (c, 4, **Tapit**--Great Hot {Brz} {MGSW & MGISP, \$594,177}, by Orientate) finished fourth after a slow beginning on debut here last May before graduating when stretched out to two turns next up and gutting out a track-and-trip allowance score June 26. Unseen since then, the \$650,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga buy returned with a bullet half-mile in :47.13 (1/23) Jan. 2 and was backed to 6-5 favoritism. After getting a shoe repair in the paddock, the dark bay tussled with Will Munnings (Munnings) through splits of :22.58 and :45.29. Stiff-armng that rival approaching the furlong grounds, he quickly encountered a fresh challenge from Yeah Rocky (Silver Train) and responded gamely to edge away late for a one-length success. Yeah Rocky narrowly held onto second. The victor is the first foal out of a dam who captured the GII Lexus Raven Run S. in 2011 and the GII Santa Maria S. two seasons later. Selling for \$400,000 to Gainesway at Fasig-Tipton November in 2013, she is responsible for a juvenile Empire Maker colt who hammered for \$600,000 to Spendthrift at Keeneland September, as well as a yearling full-sister to the winner. She was bred to Curlin last spring. Sales History: \$650,000 Ylg '16 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$85,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Cash is King LLC; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-John C. Servis.



**IN SOUTH KOREA:**

**Thunder Mark**, f, 3, **Afleet Alex**--Boomanji, by Carson City. Seoul, 1-6, Hcp. (\$53k), 1300m. B-Rakesh S & Kumund S Sikand & Afleet Alex Syndicate (KY). \*Won by 10 lengths. \*\*\$15,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '18 FTMMAY.

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**Hwa Gi**, f, 3, **Big Brown**--Frangipanni, by Cape Town. Seoul, 1-5, Hcp. (\$67k), 1000m. B-Bloom Squared (NY). \*\$9,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTMJAN; \$35,000 2yo '18 FTMMAY.

**Hwang Geum Saja**, c, 3, **Jimmy Creed**--Bear West, by Gone West. Seoul, 1-5, Hcp. (\$53k), 1300m. B-Richard D Maynard & Sparks View Farm LLC (OH). \*\$45,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$45,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

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**Samseong Donghaeng**, c, 3, **Violence**--First To Come Home, by Came Home. Seoul, 1-6, Hcp. (\$67k), 1700m. B-Dr Jerry Bilinski (NY). \*\$40,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT.

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**Sun Lighting**, c, 4, **Creative Cause**--Dattts Lady Di, by Proud Citizen. Seoul, 1-6, Hcp. (\$67k), 1800m. B-Bret Jones (KY).

\*Won by six lengths. \*\*\$43,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '17 OBSJUN.

**Speed Joy**, c, 4, **Jimmy Creed**--Simply Elegant, by Wildcat Heir. Seoul, 1-5, Hcp. (\$80k), 1200m. B-Susan Casner (KY). \*\$9,000 Ylg '16 FTKOCT; \$35,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR.

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**Cheongdam Tiger**, g, 4, **Data Link**--Informative Style, by Dayjur. Seoul, 1-5, Hcp. (\$53k), 1700m. B-Davant Latham (KY). \*Won by five lengths. \*\*1/2 to Point Blank (Quiet American), SP,

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**Cheonjiga**, g, 6, **Trappe Shot**--What a Girl Needs, by Dixieland Band. Seoul, 1-6, Hcp. (\$98k), 1200m. B-Nursery Place (KY). \*\$85,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$14,000 2yo '15 OBSJUN.

#### IN CHILE:

**Bronkel**, f, 4, **Frankel (GB)**--Bronte (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). Club Hipico, 1-7, Cond., 1300mT, 1:13.85. B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY). \*Won for the eighth time in 17 starts and for the sixth time in her last seven appearances. **VIDEO**

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**Seobu Cat (Kor)**, c, 3, **Discreet Cat**--Deville, by Petionville. Busan, 1-4, Hcp. (\$36k), 1000m. B-Bu Gun Young. \*1/2 to Puntsville (Cashel Castle), MSW, \$455,012; and Devileye (Indigo Shiner), MSW, \$241,055. \*\*\$15,000 in utero '15 KEENOV.



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**Atreides** (Medaglia d'Oro), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$6,500  
101 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners  
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, ITSALLABOUTMEMEME, 3-1

**Drill** (Lawyer Ron), Get Away Farm, \$4,500  
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**Handsome Mike** (Scat Daddy), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$4,000  
95 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners  
10-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5fT, BEST CHANCE YET, 20-1

**He's Had Enough** (Tapit), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$5,000  
138 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners  
10-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5fT, ARBA, 8-1  
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, CHINACATSUNFLOWER, 7-2

**Noble Mission (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), Lane's End Farm, \$25,000  
151 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Gulfstream, Msw 1mT, EXULT, 8-1  
\$150,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Tidal Volume** (Tapit), Poplar Creek Horse Center, \$3,000  
47 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
3-Mahoning Valley, Alw 1m, FIRSTHAND JUSTICE, 15-1  
\$5,200 PED OH yrl

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9**  
**Declaration of War** (War Front), Shizunai Stallion Station, \$40,000  
372 foals of racing age/72 winners/8 black-type winners  
7-Gulfstream, Msw 1mT, STATE OF WAR, 15-1  
\$110,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$85,000 EAS OCT yrl; \$190,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**El Padrino** (Pulpit), Northview PA, \$5,000  
163 foals of racing age/29 winners/1 black-type winner  
3-Penn National, Msw 6f, LET'S BLAZE, 3-2

**Maxios (GB)** (Monsun {Ger}), Gestut Fahrhof, \$10,000  
258 foals of racing age/43 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-Gulfstream, Msw 1mT, TINTORETTO (Ger), 8-1

**Overanalyze** (Dixie Union), WinStar Farm, \$10,000  
247 foals of racing age/72 winners/6 black-type winners  
3-Mahoning Valley, Alw 1m, OVER ICCE, 5-2

**Oxbow** (Awesome Again), Calumet Farm, \$17,500  
272 foals of racing age/38 winners/2 black-type winners  
6-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, BOWDEAN, 15-1

**Violence** (Medaglia d'Oro), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000  
336 foals of racing age/100 winners/11 black-type winners  
9-Gulfstream, Aoc 5fT, DOMINANCE, 6-1  
\$235,000 FTK JUL yrl



#### STAKES RESULTS:

**CLASICO DIA DE REYES S.**, \$52,120, Camarero, 1-6, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47.82, ft.

**1--ESPLENDOROSA, 122, m, 5, by Hockenheim-Colonial PR, by Sudden Thunder.** O-Estable Cinco Hermanos; B-Waldemar Rodriguez (PR); T-Maximo Gomez; J-Edwin Castro. \$30,230. Lifetime Record: Ch. 2yo Filly & 3yo Filly-PR, 33-24-6-0, \$363,729. \*1/2 to La Irunesa (United States), Ch. 2yo Filly-PR & SW, \$120,179.

**2--Regalada, 120, f, 4, Hockenheim-Transformadora, by Van Nistelrooy.** O-L.A.R. Stable, Corp.; B-Luis Archilla (PR); T-Eric A. Betancourt. \$10,424.

**3--Las Monjas, 118, f, 4, Elusive Chris-Bellicose Belle, by War Deputy.** O-Willie Racing (Willie Concepcion Melend); B-Hacienda Los Nietos, Inc. (PR); T-Jason Lisboa. \$5,212. Margins: HF, 1, 3 3/4. Odds: 0.65, 2.60, 2.05.

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**7th-Parx Racing, \$41,500, (S), 1-8, (NW2BX), 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.69, wf.**

**SWEET MAGGIE MAE (m, 6, Wild and Wicked--Tacky Affair {SP, \$256,889}, by Mutakddim)** Lifetime Record: 38-7-6-12, \$345,659. O-Morris E. Kernan, Jr. & M-Z Racing Partnership; B-Ocean Breezes Racing Stable (PA); T-Marcos Zulueta.

**8th-Sunland, \$30,500, (S), 1-8, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:37.60, ft. MR. WILD ROCKETE (g, 5, Lazy Rutherford--Miss Wild Rockete, by Wild Rocket)** Lifetime Record: 25-5-6-4, \$66,621. O-Richard E. Ford & Fred Sorenson; B-Richard Ford (NM); T-Jimmy C. Collier.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Calboyzeke, c, 3, Hostile Takeover--Sarah's Prize, by Pure Prize.**  
Mahoning Valley, 1-8, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:09.45. B-Kimberly Kay Blakeslee (OH).

**Celtic Line, g, 3, Line of David--My Celtic Star, by Star Dabbler.**  
Mahoning Valley, 1-8, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:08.90. B-Lowell F. Allen (OH).

**Strictly the Best, c, 3, Run Away and Hide--Anchovy, by Lawyer Ron.** Parx Racing 1-8, (C), 6f, 1:13.50. B-Ron Kirk, John Bates & Michael Riordan (KY). \*\$9,500 2yo '18 EASMAY.

**S L R Gus McCrae, g, 4, Stellar Rain--S L R Lonesomedove, by Mr. Groush.** Sunland, 1-8, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:03.97. B-Western Livestock LLC (NM).



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**HOCKENHEIM**, Esplendorosa, m, 5, o/o Colonial P R, by Sudden Thunder. GIII Clasico Dia de Reyes S., 1-6, Camarero

**HOSTILE TAKEOVER**, Calboyzeke, c, 3, o/o Sarah's Prize, by Pure Prize. MSW, 1-8, Mahoning Valley

**LAZY RUTHERFORD**, Mr. Wild Rockete, g, 5, o/o Miss Wild Rockete, by Wild Rocket. ALW, 1-8, Sunland

**LINE OF DAVID**, Celtic Line, g, 3, o/o My Celtic Star, by Star Dabbler. MSW, 1-8, Mahoning Valley

**RUN AWAY AND HIDE**, Strictly the Best, c, 3, o/o Anchovy, by Lawyer Ron. MCL, 1-8, Parx Racing

**STELLAR RAIN**, S L R Gus McCrae, g, 4, o/o S L R Lonesomedove, by Mr. Groush. MSW, 1-8, Sunland

**TAPIT**, It's Good to Be Us, c, 4, o/o Great Hot (Brz), by Orientate. AOC, 1-8, Parx Racing

**WILD AND WICKED**, Sweet Maggie Mae, m, 6, o/o Tacky Affair, by Mutakddim. ALW, 1-8, Parx Racing

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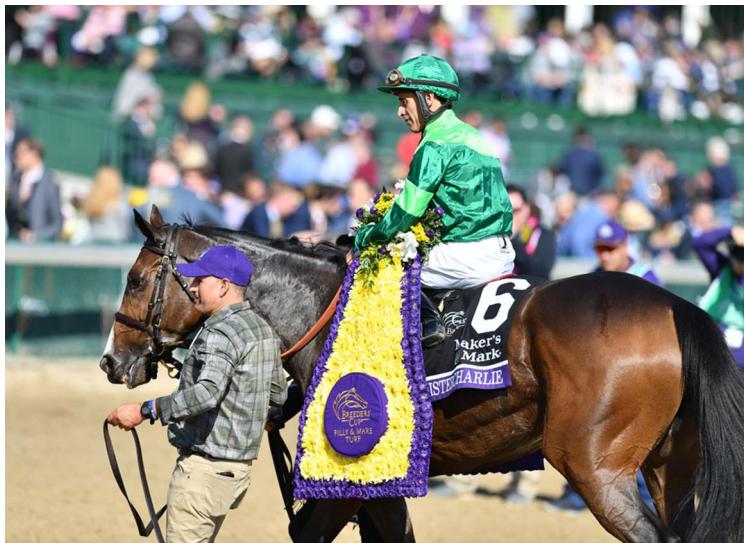


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## MATING PLANS: ECURIE DES MONCEAUX



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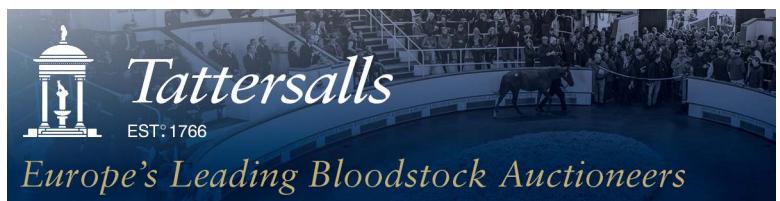
by Emma Berry

Following a year in which group winners Sistercharlie (Ire) (Myboycharlie {Ire}), Intelloquent (Ire) (Intello {Ger}) and Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) continued to advertise internationally the merits of France's leading breeding conglomerate and sales consignor Ecurie des Monceaux, further partners have been introduced to the fold, as well as a number of well credentialled young broodmares. However, we'll start our overview of the farm's 2019 matings plans with members of a family which helped to put Monceaux on the bloodstock map.

"We bought **Platonic (GB)** with Patricia Boutin from Fitocks Stud when we were first starting out and I think it's fair to call this 'P' family our foundation family," says Monceaux frontman Henri Bozo.

The 20-year-old daughter of Zafonic will be making a short trip to Haras de Bonneval to visit one of France's most in-demand stallions, Siyouni (Fr).

"She's an old mare now and we want to keep her here at Monceaux. She is not in foal as she was due late but she has a yearling colt by Le Havre (Ire) and a Camelot (GB) colt who was bought by Jeremy Brummitt and is in training with John Gosden for Bjorn Nielsen," Bozo adds.



Platonic's three daughters at the farm are **Pacifique (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}), **Prudente (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}) and **Prudenzia (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}), the latter being the dam of Classic heroine Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and also G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Magic Wand. Prudenzia will return to Galileo (Ire) after she delivers a foal by the champion sire, while Pacifique, currently in foal to Siyouni, will visit Kodiak (GB).

Bozo says, "Prudente is a full-sister to Prudenzia. Her first foal is a smart colt by Galileo. She is in foal to Siyouni and is going to Lope De Vega (Ire), who is a stallion we're keen to support. His stats are very good and I think he gives a young mare a really good chance. Another mare we are sending him is **Falling Leaves (Ire)**, a young mare by Galileo who is currently in foal to Fastnet Rock (Aus). **My Rosie (Ire)** we bought from Watership Down Stud in December 2017 and she has a nice Frankel (GB) colt, is in foal to Siyouni and will also go to Lope De Vega. Our policy is to go to proven stallions as much as we can." [Cont. p2](#)

## IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

### PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: QUALITY ROAD

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## Mating Plans: Ecurie des Monceaux Cont. from p1

Sistercharlie's four Grade I wins in 2018 culminated in her Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf success and it's no surprise to hear that her owner Peter Brant has also now bought her 4-year-old half-sibling My Sister Nat (Fr) (Acclamation {GB}) and sent her to Chad Brown. Brant also has the 3-year-old colt Sottsass (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), who was a €340,000 yearling purchase and a winner last year at Clairefontaine on his second start. Their dam **Starlet's Sister (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) is in foal to Dubawi and is booked for a return visit.

"We started with a bit of luck and had some nice mares. Now we have a second wave of exciting broodmares and among them is Starlet's Sister. Her 3-year-old is a big hope for this year," says Bozo.

Also among that second wave is **Nuit Polaire (Ire)** (Kheleyf), the dam of G1 Prix Jean Prat winner Intelloquent who is now in foal to Siyouni and is another booked to go Dubawi. Darley's flagship sire will also be sent the well-bred Group 3 winner **Golden Valentine (Fr)** (Dalakhani {Ire}).

"We own Golden Valentine in partnership with LNJ Foxwoods. She is a close relative of Goldikova and is in foal to Galileo. When we have what we think is a mare of high potential we try to go to the best stallions we can in the beginning," Bozo explains.

The 10-year-old **Militante (Ire)** (Johannesburg) added to Monceaux's group-race haul as a breeder last year via victory for her daughter Wind Chimes (GB) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) in the G3 Prix Lieurey. Trained by Andre Fabre for Coolmore, Wind Chimes came close to Group 1 success when beaten just a head by Recoletos (Fr) in the Prix du Moulin and a neck when third in the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches. Her dam is now in foal to Frankel and will visit his sire Galileo this season.

Among the stallions with multiple Monceaux bookings is freshman Roaring Lion, who will cover **Naissance Royale (Ire)** (Giant's Causeway), **Louversey (GB)** (Acclamation {GB}) and **Secrete (Fr)** (Cape Cross {Ire}).

"Naissance Royale was part of the start of Monceaux and is a mare we really love," says Bozo. "She has a lovely yearling filly by Shalaa (Ire)—we're very pleased by his foals—and she is now in foal to Invincible Spirit (Ire). He is a stallion who has been very good to us. I just love him. He seems now to be a very promising sire of sires here and in Australia."

"We were keen to support Roaring Lion. He is a superb animal, so courageous and consistent, and so easy to cross. Louversey, whom we bought in foal to Le Havre, is also going to

him, as is Secrete, who is currently in foal to Galileo."

He continues, "A newly acquired mare is **Knyazhna (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}). We bought her in foal to Siyouni at Arqana in December in partnership with Lordship Stud and Gary Chervenell. She will be going to Kingman (GB). He's one of the young stallions we really believe in. He's had an amazing start and you can only imagine that those nice 2-year-olds will only improve at three."

Also booked to Juddmonte's young stallion is **Swiss Affair (GB)**, a winning Pivotal (GB) daughter of Swiss Lake who was bought into privately to form a partnership with her breeder Lordship Stud.

Bozo adds, "No Nay Never is another young stallion we are using. He has had a big jump in his fee but he is a good strong horse who you can use with mares who need a bit of power. The three mares we are sending to him are **Frame Of Mind (Ire)**, a Wertheimer-bred Invincible Spirit mare in foal to Siyouni; **Rhodalia (GB)**, a young Galileo

mare out of Royal Highness (Ger) who is in foal to Lope De Vega, and **Some Spirit (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). **Cont. p3**



Future Classic heroine Chicquita as a yearling | Emma Berry



Bozo with Platonic and her 2016 Kingman filly who would be named Mulan (Ire) | Emma Berry

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"We are also sending three mares to Sea The Stars (Ire), and two lovely mares to Le Havre, who is a proven sire who is easy to use, and I think the best is yet to come from him. We will also be using Zoustar (Aus), who has thrown some powerful 2-year-old types in Australia and we thought it would be worth giving him a go."

Balancing proven sires with unproven is an annual headache for most breeders who, without a crystal ball, have no way of telling which of the young stallions will be a hit or a miss. Plenty missed out on the chance to use Wootton Bassett (GB) in his early days, and Bozo was no exception.

He says, "I am aware that we are very lucky to be able to afford the good stallions and there is more choice now, with farms such as Ballylinch, Tweenhills, Bouquetot, Etreham, etc., offering competition to Coolmore and Darley, but it's not getting any cheaper. I wasn't bold enough to use Wootton Bassett at the start but he was a good bet for those who did and we are now supporting him. Among the mares we will be sending to him is **Pretty Spirit (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), a half-sister to [G3 Autumn S. winner] Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}) bought at Arqana in December."



Henri Bozo &amp; Patricia Boutin | Emma Berry

While Bozo has been the figurehead for Monceaux, he is quick to acknowledge the part played by a wide range of internationally successful breeders involved in the farm.

"All the mares are owned in different partnerships and it's very interesting to hear from the various partners," he explains.

**Mating Plans: Ecurie des Monceaux Cont.**

"Patricia Boutin does a lot of work for Lady Chryss O'Reilly and Edouard de Rothschild and I've been working with her for a long time. I am also helped greatly by Camilla Trotter who provides me with so much good analysis, nicks and figures, which is wonderfully done. And of course there is much input from the partners, so it's a big think tank for three months. The first thing we want is to produce a good racehorse and the commercial success comes after that."

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**WITH NICOLAS LEFEVRE**

After its popularity earlier this year, Young Guns returns with all new questions and young professionals. Today we speak with Nicolas Lefevre, Founder of Equos Racing International.

**TDN: Tell us about your career to date?**

**Nicolas Lefevre:** I was born and raised in Paris and I have always been fond of horses. I did my first summer internships at Kildaragh Stud in high school and realised that I wanted to work in the industry. In parallel to my business studies in Paris, I did one breeding season at the Aga Khan Studs (Gilltown), then Cheveley Park Stud in the UK before flying to Australia in 2014. I worked there for Peter and Paul Snowden in Sydney before working as a showman for top breeders across most New Zealand and Australian sales. This is where I met Louis Le Metayer for who I've worked with for the past three and a half years. I had a fabulous time beside him working between Australia and France, following the sales seasons of both hemispheres. I decided last summer to launch my own company, Equos Racing International.



Nicolas Lefevre

**TDN: If you could be one person in the industry for a day who would it be and why?**

**NL:** Probably Angus Gold. He is one of the biggest buyers across the world and remains a very natural and cool character.

**TDN: What is the best piece of advice you've ever received?**

**NL:** To stay humble and never take anything for granted.

**TDN: What is the best aspect of your current job?**

**NL:** Travelling and meeting passionate people from all over the world in fantastic areas. And the fact that every day we learn something new.

**TDN: If you weren't working in the horseracing industry what would you be doing?**

**NL:** Probably working in the art business as my parents are auctioneers in Paris, or maybe as a ski instructor as I am fond of skiing and the mountains.

**TDN: If you had 24 hours to get someone interested in the horseracing industry how would you do it?**

**NL:** First, I'd take them to morning track work in Chantilly. It's the best way for me to show the magnificence of racehorses and our sport in general. Showing behind the scenes is the most passionate thing if someone wants to discover a new environment. I'll then take them to the races, taking time to explain every aspect of the process of a race meeting, introducing them to the passionate professionals of our industry. And I'll try to give them a winning tip.

**TDN: What was your biggest achievement in 2018?**

**NL:** I would say launching my own company this summer, and my first yearling purchase at the Osarus sales in September was particularly memorable.

## Young Guns With Nicolas Lefevre Cont.

### TDN: Who was your horse of 2018 and why?

**NL:** Probably the Australian Cup winner Harlem because he was the first Group 1 winner I was involved with. He was bought by Astute Bloodstock when I was working for Louis Le Metayer.

### TDN: What is your New Year's resolution?

**NL:** To keep improving to be the best possible. To encourage new people to become passionate about our industry and to keep going to the races. To share my passion with people coming from various backgrounds.

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## EUROPEAN NEWS



### Sires announced for TBA Flat Stallion Parade

A total of 10 first- or second-season sires standing in Great Britain will anchor the 2019 TBA Flat Stallion Parade at Tattersalls on Jan. 31, the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association announced on Tuesday. **Ardad (Ire)** (Kodiak {GB}), **Harbour Law (GB)** (Lawman {Fr}), **Havana Grey (GB)** (Havana Gold {Ire}), **Lancaster Bomber** (War Front), Massaat (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), **Master Carpenter (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), **Rajasinghe (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}), **Time Test (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), **Unfortunately (Ire)** (Society Rock {Ire}) and **Washington DC (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) will be paraded at 11 a.m. in the sales ring.



Havana Grey | Racing Post

Breeders, owners, trainers and spectators are invited to view the stallions in the Left and Right Yards. **Cockney Rebel (Ire)** (Val Royal {Fr}), **Equiano (Fr)** (Acclamation {GB}), **Gregorian (Ire)** (Clodovil {Ire}) and **Pearl Secret (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}) will also be available for viewing. Light refreshments will be available for TBA members and those who wish to view the stallions and speak to stud representatives.

"The 2019 Flat Parade will showcase eight new recruits to the stallion ranks and see the return of second season sires Ardad and Time Test," said TBA Chief Executive Claire Sheppard. "The event has always been an excellent opportunity for breeders to view stallions on the first day of the February Sale and meet with stud managers to discuss nomination enquiries. The TBA team will be on site in the Left and Right Yards to answer any questions and we would like to thank Tattersalls and Weatherbys for their continued support of this event which raises awareness of the latest stallions available to breeders before the start of the covering season."

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**CORRECTION:** The *TDN* incorrectly stated that Taareef was the only son of Kitten's Joy to stand in France for 2019 in our Jan. 8 edition. Instead, the Haras du Mezeray stallion is joined by Luck of the Kitten, who will stand his first season in France at Haras D' Annebault after spending his initial season at stud in Italy. We regret the error.

## BRITAIN



### Tuesday's Results:

**5th-Newcastle, £10,400, Novice, 1-8, 3yo, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:42.35, st.**

**SET PIECE (GB) (c, 3, *Dansili (GB)*--*Portodora*, by *Kingmambo*)**, who scored on debut at Kempton Dec. 12, was unhurried early settled with two behind. Needing cajoling at times by Luke Morris, the even-money favourite overcame notable greenness to take command approaching the furlong pole and readily assert to score by three lengths from *Sparkle In His Eye (GB)* (*Sea the Stars (Ire)*). The dam is a daughter of the stakes scorer *High Walden (El Gran Senor)*, who was also third in the G3 *Musidora S.* in England before finishing runner-up in the GII *Santa Ana H.* She is herself a half to eight stakes performers headed by the G1 *Epsom Oaks* heroine *Reams of Verse (Nureyev)* and the G1 *Eclipse S.* and G1 *Phoenix Champion S.*-winning sire *Elmaamul (Diesis (GB))*.

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Set Piece drew off by three lengths. | *Racing Post***5th-Newcastle Cont.**

This is also the family of the six-times Group and Grade 1/heroine Midday (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). Portodora's 2-year-old filly by Kingman (GB) is named Alocasia (GB), while she also has a colt foal by Frankel (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$13,445.

**Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms (East) Ltd (GB); T-Hugo Palmer.

**CONDITIONS RESULT:**

**7th-Newcastle, £6,400, 1-8, 3yo, 5f (AWT), 1:01.15, st.**

**LORNA COLE (IRE) (f, 3, Lethal Force {Ire}–Suedehead {GB}, by Cape Cross {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$11,508. O-Mr John O'Mulloy; B-J. Waldron & J. Barton (IRE); T-Willie Muir.

Goffs UK January Sale, featuring NH foals and initial point-to-point entries, is slated for Jan. 22-23. The [catalogue](#) is now available.

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### ALMOND EYE NAMED JAPANESE HOTY

by Alan Carasso

**Almond Eye (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), who swept the Japanese Filly Triple Crown and concluded her season with a world record-setting victory against the boys in the G1 Japan Cup, was named Japan's Horse of the Year and champion 3-year-old filly Tuesday. The first champion for her boom sire, she received each of the 276 votes cast for Horse of the Year,

becoming the first unanimous winner of that award since T M Opera O (Jpn) (Opera House {GB}) in 2000. Almond Eye was also unanimously voted champion sophomore filly.

Almond Eye earned her first group win in January, then returned from a three-month freshening to defeat 2017 champion juvenile filly Lucky Lilac (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}) in the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) (1600m) ([video](#)). Stretched to Tokyo's metric mile and a half for the G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) the following month, she proved two lengths too tough ([video](#)) and completed the Triple Crown with a smooth success in the G1 Shuka Sho (2000m) Oct. 14 ([video](#)). Sent off the 2-5 favourite in the Japan Cup, Almond Eye tracked a fast pace set by G1 Japanese St Leger hero Kiseki (Jpn) (Rulership {Jpn}), but claimed that one at will inside the 200m en route to a 1 3/4-length victory ([video](#)) in a record time of 2:20.6. Owned by Silk Racing Co. Ltd, trained by Sakae Kunieda and ridden throughout the campaign by record-setting jockey Christophe Lemaire, Almond Eye has been entered for the G1 Dubai Turf and G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, with the 2019 G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe a longer-range objective.

Silk Racing is to be represented by another champion in the form of **Blast Onepiece (Jpn)** (Harbinger {GB}), who received 114 votes to take the 3-year-old male division over G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) hero Wagnerian (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}). The striking bay colt was a three-time group winner in 2018, posting a remarkable first win at that level in the G3 Mainichi Hai (1800m) ([video](#)) in March and closing the campaign with a scintillating defeat of champion older male **Rey de Oro (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) in the G1 Arima Kinen (2500m) Dec. 23 ([video](#)). **Le Vent Se Leve (Jpn)** (Symboli Kris S.) finished third in the 3-year-old male category, but was named champion dirt horse on the strength of his win in the G1 Champions Cup Dec. 2 ([video](#)). [Cont. p7](#)

Almond Eye | *Horsephotos*

**Almond Eye Named Japanese HOTY Cont.**

**Danon Fantasy (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) won three of her four outings, including the G1 Hanshin Juvenile Fillies ([video](#)) to provide her all-conquering stallion with a 16th champion, while the 2-year-old male division was more hotly contested, with G1 Asahi Hai Juvenile ([video](#)) victor **Admire Mars (Jpn)** (Daiwa Major {Jpn}) given the nod over G1 Hopeful S. hero ([video](#)) **Saturnalia (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}).

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**JAPAN RACING ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONS – 2018**

Horse of the Year, 3YO Filly

**ALMOND EYE (JPN)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn})

4YO+ Male

**REY DE ORO (JPN)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn})

4YO+ Female

**LYS GRACIEUX (JPN)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn})

Sprinter/Miler

**FINE NEEDLE (JPN)** (Admire Moon {Jpn})

Dirt Horse

**LE VENT SE LEVE (JPN)** (Symboli Kris S.)

3YO Male

**BLAST ONEPIECE (JPN)** (Harbinger {GB})

2YO Male

**ADMIRE MARS (JPN)** (Daiwa Major {Jpn})

2YO Filly

**DANON FANTASY (JPN)** (Deep Impact {Jpn})

Steeplechase

**OJU CHOSAN (JPN)** (Stay Gold {Jpn})



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**San Fermin (Aus)**, f, 4, **Charge Forward (Aus)**--Choice Blend (Aus), by Redoute's Choice (Aus). Vaal, 1-8, Assessment Plate, 1200mT, 1:09.86. O-Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert); B-Arrowfield Pastoral (Pty) Ltd (NSW); T-M G & A A Azzie.

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**JANUARY CUP H.-G3**, HK\$3,250,000 (£328,947/€363,849/A\$592,140/US\$414,975), 3yo/up, 1800mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	10	Time Warp (GB)	Archipenko	Purton	Cruz	133
2	7	Eagle Way (Aus)	More Than Ready	de Sousa	Moore	130
3	5	Southern Legend (Aus)	Not A Single Doubt (Aus)	Whyte	Fownes	129
4	2	Gold Mount (GB)	Excellent Art (GB)	Sanna	Gibson	126
5	6	Northern Superstar (SAf)	Count Dubois (GB)	Teetan	Millard	114
6	8	Simply Brilliant (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Badel	Lor	114
7	4	Horse of Fortune (SAf)	Stronghold (GB)	Lai	Yip	113
8	9	Citron Spirit (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Poon	Yiu	113
9	1	Insayshable (Ire)	Rajj (Ire)	Moreira	Size	113
10	3	Dinozzo (Ire)	Lilbourne Lad (Ire)	Chadwick	Size	113

**Thursday, Meydan, Dubai, post time: 8:50 p.m.**

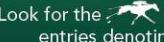
**AL MAKTOUM CHALLENGE R1 SPONSORED BY MUBADALA-G2**, \$350,000, NH 4yo/up & SH 3yo/up, 1600m

SC	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Kimbear	Temple City	Dobbs	Watson	125
2	North America (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Mullen	Seemar	125
3	Masaarr	Distorted Humor	Hayes	Bachalard	125
4	Muntazah (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Crowley	Watson	125
5	Dolkong	Afleet Alex	Cosgrave	Foster	125
6	African Ride (GB)	Candy Ride (Arg)	Soumillon	Crisford	125
7	Heavy Metal (GB)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Barzalona	Jadhav	125
8	Gold Town (GB)	Street Cry (Ire)	Doyle	Appleby	125
9	Etijaah	Daaher	O'Neill	Watson	125

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## 500 MILLION REASONS TO SMILE IN NSW/VIC



Mark Newnham after his first Group 1 win with Maid of Heaven | TDN AusNZ

by Bren O'Brien

There are half a billion reasons why leading trainers and syndicators are approaching this year's sales season, which kicks off with the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale on Wednesday, with renewed confidence. The prizemoney war between New South Wales and Victoria will see annual returns to owners reach over A\$500m in those two states in 2019, a remarkable increase of over A\$140m since 2015.

The cost of ownership has long been a barrier to entry for new players to the market, but the series of tit-for-tat boosts, highlighted by the recent delivery of a A\$40-million increase as part of an election promise in Victoria, is having the intended impact of defraying those costs and enabling more people to use ownership as a profitable commercial venture.

"In the past when people have said you buy horses as an investment, you don't really, you buy them as a form of leisure, but buying horses for investment is becoming more of a reality now with that level of prizemoney," Arrowfield chairman John Messara told TDN AusNZ.

An additional knock-on effect, something that Racing NSW's Chief Operating Officer Graeme Hinton described as 'unintended', is the confidence the top trainers and syndicators take into sales like the Magic Millions.

It's interesting to note that overall returns to owners across NSW and Victoria have gone up 42% since 2015 while the aggregate from the major yearling sales has gone up 41%. Correlation doesn't necessarily mean causation, but several major industry figures see the relationship between increased prizemoney and additional confidence in investing in the market.

For a champion trainer like Chris Waller, attracting new owners is never too much of a concern, but convincing existing owners to re-invest during yearling season is a lot easier when they know they are more likely to get a return.

"Ultimately when you go to a sale, you are thinking about the owners coming back and buying next year as well. If you go into the sale with that perspective, and you have that respect for the people that are spending their money, you'll certainly last a lot longer than you would otherwise," Waller said. "We are going to unbelievable high levels of prizemoney. It's going to be a massive positive. When you can get an existing owner in front of you and say, look, in NSW and Victoria, you are racing for half a billion dollars, that's a much easier sell."

### An Emerging Perspective

For an emerging trainer like Mark Newnham, who has one Group 1 compared to Waller's 92, the broadening of the ownership base is the thing that can transform his business, giving him a lot more assurance when it comes to acquiring horses. Cont. p2



Brad Spicer was busy inspecting yearlings on the Gold Coast this week | TDN AusNZ

## 500 Million Reasons Cont. from p1

"There are a lot of incentives for people to own horses now and the way it is set up means that it is available to everybody," he said. "It's not the situation where they have half a dozen billionaires propping up the whole industry. It's available to everyone, it's not overly expensive and there is a chance for a return. That return could be on the racetrack or even post-career, whether it be a stallion at stud or even as a broodmare, good fillies are bringing a lot of money. There is a really good chance to get a return and it's a lot of fun."

Wayne Hawkes, who trains in partnership with his brother Michael and father John, has been a long-time vocal advocate of prizemoney increases. Inspecting yearlings on the Gold Coast this week, Hawkes said it was hard to yet quantify the exact impact that the increased returns to owners was having, but the anecdotal response has been very positive.

"You can't put a percentage increase in terms of the returns to specific owners, just yet, but when prizemoney is going through the roof, and it's in the papers, and it's getting great coverage, then that can only increase the likelihood people want to be involved," he said.

## Easier to Sell the Dream

Leading syndicator Brad Spicer won't be altering his approach to the sales season, but he knows that it will be a lot easier to syndicate the horses he does buy with the message of an increased likelihood of better returns.

"We still have to go out there and buy a horse and get the owners involved. What it does, it gives the owners an extra chance to get a return on their purchase," he said. "I think the marketing comes into it. Especially when you have Melbourne and Sydney at A\$125,000 and A\$135,000 a race. If you are buying a horse at A\$150,000, you only have to win two races to get out. Any prizemoney increase is a positive. I know we've seen the big blue between New South Wales and Victoria, but it's been great for the ownership base. If you've got horses in both states, it's win-win."

## Spread of Prizemoney Crucial

While the introduction of the A\$7.5-million Golden Eagle and the A\$5-million All-Star Mile in the past six months have garnered plenty of headlines, Waller said it is the even spread of prizemoney increases across the board which will have the most significant impact on all aspects of the industry.

"They've been very clever and not just promoting city racing, but into country racing as well," he said. "For example, in NSW it's A\$20,000 for a country race, A\$35,000 for a provincial race, A\$50,000 midweek and a minimum A\$125,000 on Saturdays, it has a great flow on effect."

Hawkes agrees, saying the bulk of the prizemoney, Australia-wide should be aimed at maiden races.

"I want to see the bottom-end improved. I'd love to see maidens across the country worth A\$30,000. It doesn't matter

where you go. Then your first hit is your best hit."

Waller believes this accessibility to ownership, both through price and process, puts Australia in a premier position compared to Hong Kong and Japan.

"I don't think racing has ever been in a better position in Australia. I would say it is the best prizemoney in the world because anybody can race a horse here," he said.



Horses race in Sydney for a minimum of A\$125,000 on Saturdays | Bronwen Healy

## Depth to Emerge in Buying Bench

The other effect, Waller

says we are likely to see at sales is more depth in the buying bench as emerging trainers are now much better placed in terms of being able to play with the big boys.

"That's why it is so good for the younger trainers and those second-tier trainers, looking for bigger numbers, there has never been a better opportunity," he said. "Getting the opportunity with a horse from your stable from the Magic Millions or an Inglis or New Zealand Sale is a big thing. I've been on both sides of the fence. I've been here (Gold Coast) plenty of times and have not been able to buy horses."

"I know how hard it is. But again, having a product to sell to a client, making sure they are coming back next year is key to building your numbers. If you are getting a return for your owners, they are going to be in the business a lot longer." Cont. p3

## 500 Million Reasons Cont.

Waller also points to the major events, like Saturday's Magic Millions Raceday, and the newly implemented A\$2-million Inglis Millennium, as further excellent incentives for owners to be involved.

### **Signs of Resurgence**

#### **Already There**

Hinton said Racing NSW are taking the pulse of the industry in many ways and one area they are already seeing more confidence in is in the breeding industry with 2016/17 being the first year in the past eight where the total foal crop has increased in Australia.

"We are seeing increased investment. The Racing Australia annual report shows an increasing trend in the foal crop, which is a reflection of the investment in racing. The decline is being arrested," Hinton said.

"Our goal is that the more horses we have in training, the larger the field sizes, the more revenue we generate, which then allows us to generate more prizemoney. It's a cycle."

While they beg to differ on a few things, the major racing authorities in Victoria and New South Wales are in full agreement that a rising tide will float all boats.

"Recent prizemoney increases in Victoria are designed to support all industry participants and provide a broad section with the opportunity benefit from the extra A\$40 million on offer across the state," Racing Victoria's Executive General Manager-Racing, Greg Carpenter said. "With these increases distributed across both metropolitan and country meetings, we expect that this will encourage new and continued investment in our



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