



THE TDN DERBY WRAP



Country House in the Derby winner's circle | Coady

by T.D. Thornton

This week's *TDN* Triple Crown feature examines the GI Kentucky Derby runners according to official finish position. The focus is on raw trip notes--not the merits of whether a disqualification should or should not have been called. Interesting bloodstock note: homebreds crossed the wire 1-2-3-4.

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1) COUNTRY HOUSE (c, **Lookin At Lucky--Quake Lake**, by War Chant)

'**TDN Rising Star**'. O-Mrs. J. V. Shields, Jr., E. J. M. McFadden, Jr. & LNJ Foxwoods. B-J. V. Shields, Jr. (KY). T-William I. Mott. Lifetime Record: GISW, 7-2-2-1, \$2,120,175.

'**TDN Rising Star**' Country House ran second and was elevated to the Derby win via DQ. This May 8 **Lookin At Lucky** foal impressed with his poise. He was seemingly unfazed by post 18, the crowd, the slop, and negotiating his way through the pack while largely avoiding early-race trouble. He broke alertly, and after brushing mildly with Code of Honor (Noble Mission {GB}) through the first furlong, Country House settled in about eighth for the backstretch run while four paths off the rail. He was not boxed in and had ample space on either side for most of the back straight, but jockey Flavien Prat made a crucial decision to dive between two rivals before a gap closed at the entry to the far bend. **Cont. p6**

WEST ON TODAY: CHURCHILL 'GREEDY,' NO PREAKNESS, WE'LL APPEAL

Gary West made several revelations on the "Today Show" this morning in a live appearance shortly after 7:30 Eastern Daylight Time, among them: **Maximum Security** (New Year's Day) will not run in the GI Preakness S., he will file an appeal Monday with the Kentucky State Racing Commission, and that he feels Churchill Downs is 'greedy' to allow 20 horses in the GI Kentucky Derby, which he said put horses' and jockeys' lives at risk.

West, appearing from his home in Rancho Santa Fe, California, said the experience was, "literally like the old t.v. show--the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat all in a 22-minute period of time. Winning it was the most probably euphoric thing we have ever had in our lives, and disappointment when they took the horse down for the first time in history. We were stunned, shocked and in total and complete disbelief. It had never been done before." **Cont. p3**

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BOURBON WAR JOINS PREAKNESS CAST

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Bourbon War (Tapit), second in the GII Fountain of Youth S. and fourth in the GI Florida Derby, has joined the list of contenders for the May 18 GI Preakness S.

RACHEL ALEXANDRA FEATURED IN TDN LOOK

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West on Today: Churchill 'Greedy,' No Preakness, We'll Appeal *(cont. from p1)*

West said that trainer Jason Servis, at West's request, asked the stewards for a meeting after the race, but was rebuffed.

"We are going to file an appeal today with the State Racing Commission," said West. "Right after the race, I had the trainer call the stewards and very nicely ask them if they would be willing to visit with us after the races were over. We said we'd well stay here til 11, 12:00 at night--whatever you want. They said, 'Absolutely not. We won't be showing the films until Thursday.' So we did not have any alternative legally. The appeal has to be filed within 48 hours, so we'll be filing that today."

West was questioned by host Craig Melvin, who pointed out

that in Kentucky, rules state that stewards' decisions are final. West argued that the magnitude of the event made him want to persevere.



Maximum Security holds off Country House | Horsephotos

"Obviously, we can't appeal to the stewards who made the decision, if the state racing commission refuses to hear about it," he said. "I think that this is something that is big enough and the entire racing world is looking at this and I think they deserve an opportunity to know what was going on. I was a bit shocked and surprised that the stewards wrote a statement that was probably prepared by their lawyers and refused--literally refused--to take a single question from the media. So they've been about as

non-transparent about this whole thing as anything I've seen in my entire life."

Melvin asked West if he saw Maximum Security make contact with **War Of Will** (War Front).

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“I obviously saw the horse move out, but in the Kentucky Derby where you’ve got 20 horses--and you shouldn’t have 20 horses in the Kentucky Derby,” he said. “Churchill Downs because they’re a greedy organization--has [20] rather than 14 like you have in the Kentucky Oaks, the Breeders’ Cup, and every other race in America. Just because they can make more money they’re willing to risk horses’ lives and people’s lives to do that. I’m not a fan of that. I think they should have 14 like every other race. But, yes, I saw the horse move out. [In] every Kentucky Derby, you could set down two or three horses or four horses if you wanted to because it’s like a rodeo out there.”

Host Savannah Guthrie persisted. “The rules are the rules. The situation at the Derby with 19 or 20 horses, is the situation. Isn’t the judges decision essentially correct, even if you don’t like it?”

“That is a way of looking at it,” said West, and then questioned why the stewards hadn’t posted an inquiry themselves. “The thing that is mystifying to me to me is that the stewards were either looking at it with a high-definition television or with binoculars. Our horse was in the lead the entire way around. They looked at exactly what the whole rest of the world looked at and they didn’t file a stewards’ inquiry. I can’t imagine that it was very obvious to them, either.”

West concluded by announcing that Maximum Security would not run in the Preakness. “No,” he said, “We’re not going to run in the Preakness. There’s no Triple Crown on the line for us, and there’s no reason to run a horse back in two weeks when you don’t have to.”

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BOURBON WAR JOINS PREAKNESS CAST

Bourbon Lane Stable and Lake Star Stable’s **Bourbon War** (Tapit), fourth in the Mar. 30 GI Florida Derby and second in the Mar. 2 GII Fountain of Youth S., has joined the list of likely contenders for the May 18 GI Preakness S.

“He’s doing excellent. Right now, he’s probable for the Preakness,” trainer Mark Hennig confirmed Monday. “We had a conference call yesterday and, speaking with the owners, we felt like after watching the events of the weekend, the Florida horses gave a good account of themselves and we felt we were competitive with them. So, why not take a shot in the Preakness rather than the more conservative route we were thinking in the [May 11 GIII] Peter Pan?”

Bourbon War closed from far back to finish fourth behind GI Kentucky Derby runners **Maximum Security** (New Year’s Day), **Bodexpress** (Bodemeister) and **Code of Honor** (Noble Mission {GB}) in the Florida Derby and he was second behind Code of Honor in the Fountain of Youth.

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3yo/up, 1 1/16m

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3yo, 6f

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3yo/up, 6f

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3yo, 1m (T)

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3yo/up, 5f (T)

\$100,000 **THE SIR BARTON S.**
3yo, 1 1/16m

\$100,000 **THE SEARCHING S.**
3yo, f/m, 1/2m (T)

“He and Code of Honor have been pretty close together in their races. Maximum Security certainly showed up and held up that form from Florida, so I think it seems like a smart move to try the Preakness,” Hennig said.



Bourbon War | *Leslie Martin*

Trainer Bill Mott said Monday he was “leaning toward” running GI Kentucky Derby winner **Country House** (Lookin At Lucky) in the Preakness.

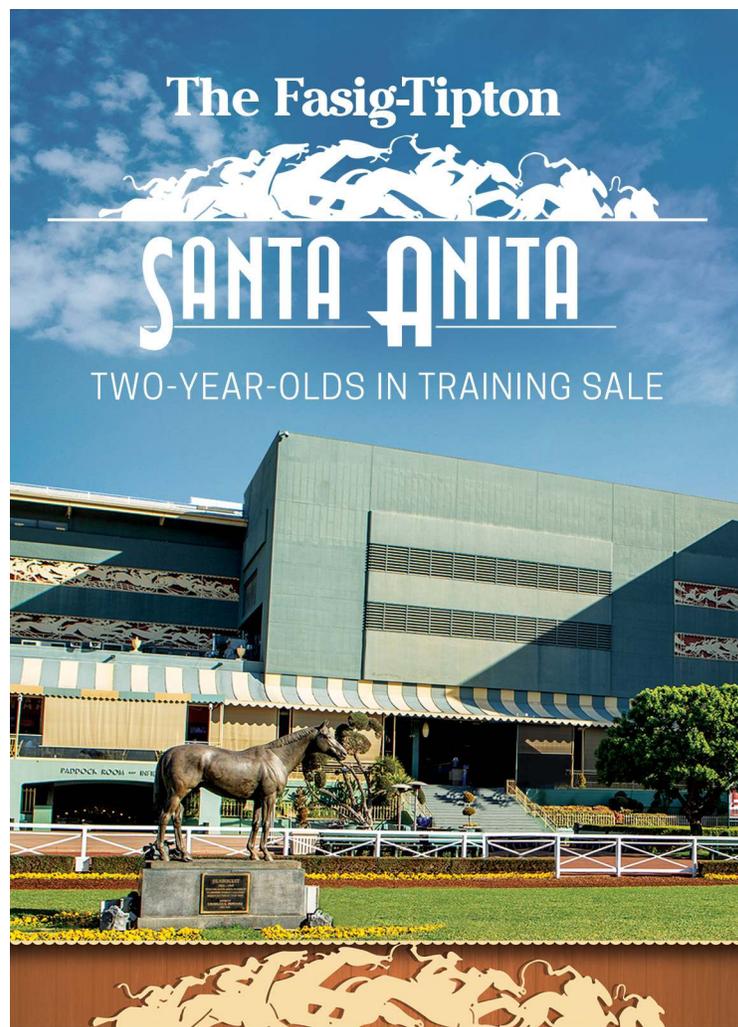
“We’re leaning toward the Preakness, since he is the Derby winner and we don’t want to pooh-pooh the Triple Crown,” Mott said. “We want to support that. If he’s real good and continues to do well with no issues, not worn out, all those good things, we’ll keep pecking away and going in that direction. If there’s anything we don’t like as we get into the weekend or early next week, we won’t feel—I don’t feel—a lot of pressure to run him, and talking to the ownership group, I don’t think they’ll put on a lot of pressure, if I’m not happy with him for some reason.”

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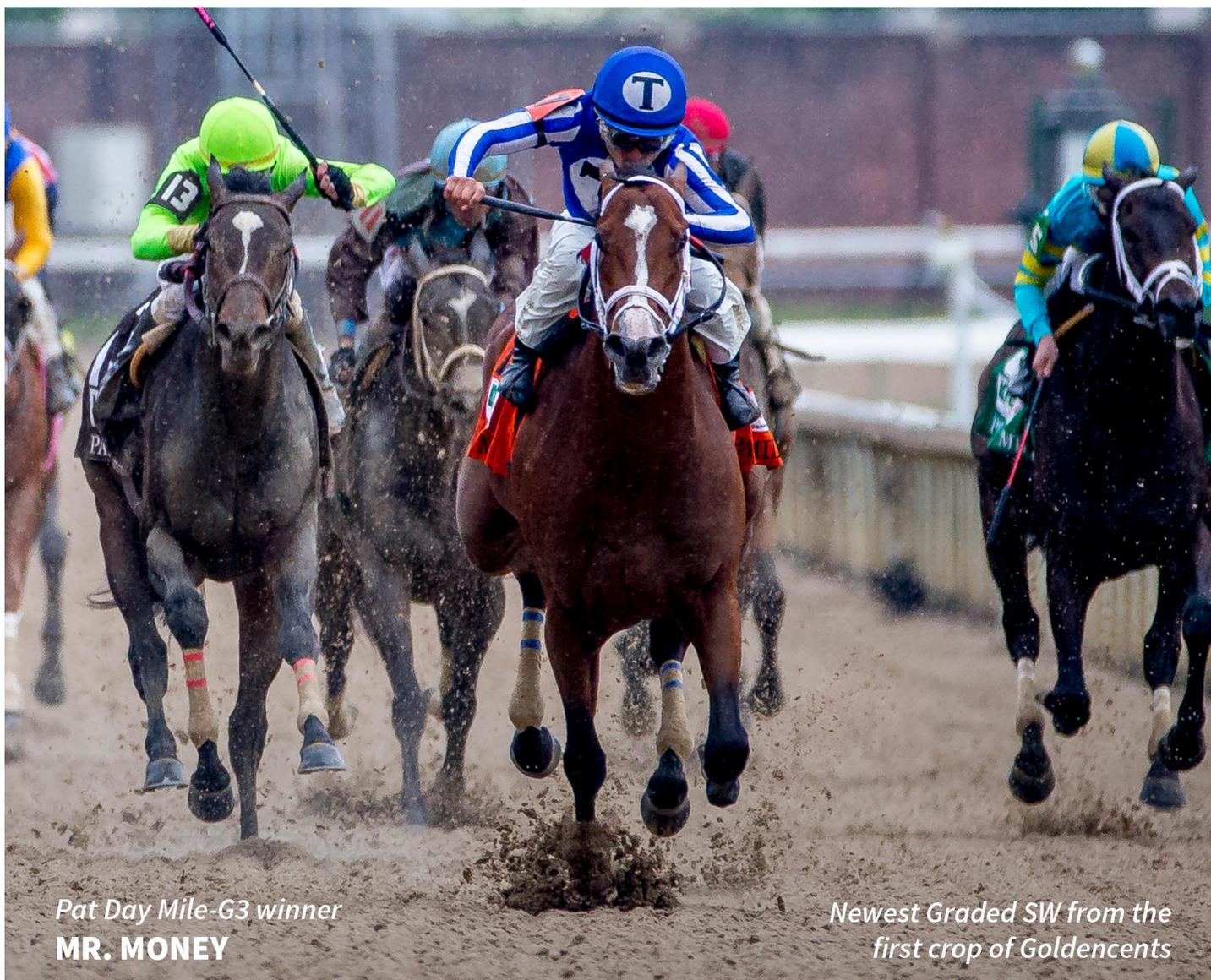
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The TDN Derby Wrap (cont. from p1)

This deft move enabled Country House to get clear sailing while clicking into another gear, and he emerged onto the turn four wide and outside of the leaders while continuing to pick up steam. He was not significantly affected by Maximum Security (New Year's Day)'s path-shifting turning for home, but Prat did have to rouse Country House to stay straight and focused while the colt wandered a bit through the lane with his head cocked outward. He was clearly the best of the main body of the field but was not striding clear with the same late-race purpose that Maximum Security delivered.

2) CODE OF HONOR (c, Noble Mission {GB}--Reunited, by Dixie Union)

O/B-W. S. Farish (KY). T-Shug McGaughey. Sales History: \$70,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSW & MGISP, 6-2-2-1, \$1,078,820.

Leading up to the Derby, I referenced that Code of Honor "needs to outrun his reputation of being an opportunist who capitalizes only under favorable circumstances." In the Derby, this light-bodied Noble Mission (GB) homebred was presented with the absolute gift of a clear rail run when Maximum Security vacated his inside spot turning for home, and Code of Honor did fight through for a short lead just as the field crested the quarter pole.



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But the leaders almost immediately re-engaged him, and Code of Honor boxed on valiantly despite looking overmatched in the final run to the wire while crossing it third. I can't say I truly believe Code of Honor would have blasted on through at the rail on his own power without that commodious opening, but he does deserve credit for sitting in the two path for most of the backstretch run, taking slop in the face and waiting patiently for jockey John Velazquez to give him his cue to quicken. "It was like 'Open Sesame!' Velazquez said after the Derby. "I was like 'Wow, this never happens.' I thought I was going to win it."

3) TACITUS (c, **Tapit--Close Hatches**, by **First Defence**)

O/B-Juddmonte Farms, Inc. (KY). T-Bill Mott. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 5-3-0-1, \$953,000.

The knock against Tacitus entering the Derby was that he was light on Grade I seasoning and had never faced A-list sophomores. His sustained run wasn't good enough to win last Saturday, but don't doubt for an instant that this large-framed Tapit homebred for Juddmonte didn't get meaningful schooling out of his fourth-place try (elevated to third via DQ). Tacitus broke a stutter-step slow, was guided inward, had to be taken off heels when the pack tightened, carried his head high while getting pelted with slop, then settled by the time the field crossed the finish wire the first time. Reserved at the tail of the main pack in 16th, jockey Jose Ortiz commenced to picking off some of the stragglers but seemed choosy about committing to a decisive dash through closing gaps. He roused Tacitus three-eighths out, and the colt responded despite cocking his head to the infield for a few strides. Ortiz again seemed to hesitate when debating and inside or an outside commitment at the top of the lane, then the straight was upon them with Tacitus spun out in the six path. He chugged on with determination and was able to grind down everyone but the top three while not minding the distance. "In the Belmont, he will be much better running 1 1/2 miles," Ortiz said post-race.

4) IMPROBABLE (c, **City Zip--Rare Event**, by **A.P. Indy**)

'TDN Rising Star'. O-WinStar Farm LLC, China Horse Club International Ltd. & Starlight Racing. B-St. George Farm LLC & G. Watts Humphrey Jr. (KY). T-Bob Baffert. Sales History: \$110,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GISW, 6-3-2-0, \$769,520.

'TDN Rising Star' Improbable's Derby was not a rousing success, nor was it a dud. He never truly looked comfortable, neither position-wise nor footing-wise, and Irad Ortiz Jr. said post-race "My horse didn't really like the track. I asked him to keep up and he just could not." Leaving the gate, this \$200,000 KEESEP City Zip chestnut had the reins shaken at him for speed then was instead asked to settle; parked in fifth for most of the

journey Improbable was hemmed in fairly solidly with few tactical options. He was in position to pounce through the opening created by Maximum Security's veering out but just didn't have the punch to commit to that move. "I knew the first quarter of a mile I was toast," trainer Bob Baffert said of all three of his horses post-race. "The problem is [Improbable] couldn't get out...I told my riders to stay clean [by leading the pack]. They don't listen to me."



Improbable | Horsephotos

5) GAME WINNER (c, **Candy Ride {Arg}--Indyan Giving**, by **A.P. Indy**)

'TDN Rising Star'. O-Gary & Mary West. B-Summer Wind Equine (KY). T-Bob Baffert. Sales History: \$110,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: MGISW, 7-4-2-0, \$1,936,000.

The juvenile champ found himself 20 lengths adrift by the time the field splashed through the first turn and he was never truly in it to win it. But 'TDN Rising Star' Game Winner was so up against the grain of adversity that you have to discount his Derby performance as an indicator of his true ability. He hesitated at the start and veered inward to that gap between gates, then tried (unsuccessfully) to get settled in next-to-last position. Considering Game Winner had never been farther off the pace than five lengths in his entire career, that gulf must have seemed like a massive chasm to him. Joel Rosario floated the colt seven wide down the back straight--either in search of firmer footing, to avoid kickback, or both--and that wide path still wasn't enough to avoid trouble, because By My Standards (Goldencents) edged out and bumped him about a half mile from home. Game Winner was 11 wide for the drive and brushed mildly with Tacitus late. I expect him to put in a more solid effort whenever he next resurfaces.

6) MASTER FENCER (c, **Just a Way {Jpn}**--**Sexy Zamurai**, by **Deputy Minister**)

O/B-Katsumi Yoshizawa (JPN). T-Koichi Tsunoda. Lifetime Record: SP-Jpn, 7-2-2-0, \$234,392.

Pretty nice run for a colt who was in way over his head on paper and looked a touch lost at the break before settling in on the rail far behind the field. This son of Just A Way {Jpn} was still last at the quarter pole and didn't choose the easiest route through traffic near the rail to unwind late, but once he found a seam Master Fencer gave the positive impression that he was really figuring things out. After the wire he galloped out past everyone but Maximum Security. He is reportedly being aimed for the GI Belmont S.

7) WAR OF WILL (c, **War Front**--**Visions of Clarity {Ire}**, by **Sadler's Wells**)

O-Gary Barber. B-Flaxman Holdings Limited (KY). T-Mark Casse. Sales History: \$175,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESep; €250,000 2yo '18 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 9-3-1-1, \$501,569.

War of Will had the most momentum to win, but he endured the most brutal Derby trip of all, and was lucky not to clip heels and go down in that chaotic run through the far turn. At the start, the dreaded one hole proved to be no problem for this pro breaker, and Tyler Gaffalione nudged War of Will to a contending inside stalking spot by the time the field banked into the first turn. War of Will was a tourqued-up fourth while resisting his rider's snug hold down the backstretch, but a patient Gaffalione waited until just before the five-sixteenths pole to unleash him for an attack. This move happened almost simultaneously with Maximum Security's outward drifting, and Gaffalione had to snatch back on War of Will, checking sharply, stopping a potential winning move cold. War of Will persisted with a second bid, endured more tightening between Maximum Security and Country House at the quarter pole, then had most of the starch sapped from him at the eighth pole when Maximum Security again shifted outward to assert his space. This talented colt figures to remain a divisional force, and if the remaining Classics don't pan out, he always has that stellar turf pedigree to fall back on.

8) PLUS QUE PARFAIT (r, **Point of Entry**--**Belvedera**, by **Awesome Again**)

O-Imperial Racing LLC. B-Calloway Racing LLC (KY). T-Brendan Walsh. Sales History: \$24,000 RNA Wlg KEENOV '16; \$135,000 Ylg KEESep '17. Lifetime Record: GSW-UAE, 8-2-1-2, \$1,590,400.

This \$135,000 KEESep Point of Entry ridgling had an unhurried and largely uneventful inside midpack trip. For a while on the backstretch, he seemed to be following Country House, but couldn't match strides with that winner's early move.

Ricardo Santana Jr. then dropped Plus Que Parfait onto the rail for a possible attempt to follow Code of Honor, but that avenue too was quickly sealed off before they could grab it. Shifting out several paths in the home straight, Plus Que Parfait found himself fighting on with the top five approaching the final furlong, but he had no true oomph to propel a winning bid. Now from 11 attempts, the G2 UAE Derby winner has still never finished better than sixth in the Kentucky Derby.



Plus Que Parfait | Horsephotos

9) WIN WIN WIN (c, **Hat Trick {Jpn}**--**Miss Smarty Pants**, by **Smarty Jones**)

O-Live Oak Plantation. B-Live Oak Stud (FL). T-Michael Trombetta. Lifetime Record: SW & MGSP, 7-3-2-1, \$367,300.

Win Win Win was parked third-last for most of his journey, but when it came time to fire at the top of the lane he had neither the spark nor the room to do it, with a solid line of going-nowhere horses in front of him. This Hat Trick (Jpn)-sired homebred did get clear to launch a mild bid between the quarter and eighth poles, but that brief turn of foot through the upper stretch wasn't enough to vault him into serious contention. Jockey Julien Pimentel offered a "didn't handle the track" assessment.

10) CUTTING HUMOR (c, **First Samurai**--**Pun**, by **Pulpit**)

O-Starlight Racing. B-Dell Hancock & Bernie Sams (KY). T-Todd Pletcher. Sales History: \$135,000 Ylg '17 KEESep; \$400,000 Ylg '17 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: GSW, 7-2-2-1, \$516,967.

Cutting Humor tracked the action midpack and toward the outside, and this \$400,000 FTSAUG First Samurai colt looked like he might make things interesting with a six-wide move into the far turn. He chipped away at the leaders' margins and was 10 wide into the lane but couldn't sustain his bid.



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11) BY MY STANDARDS (c, Goldencents--A Jealous Woman, by Muqtarib)

O-Allied Racing Stable, LLC. B-Don Ladd (KY). T-William Bret Calhoun. Lifetime Record: GSW, 6-2-2-1, \$653,710.

By My Standards was squeezed back leaving post three and spent the first furlong of the Derby trying to pick a spot to settle. He ranged up three wide into the turn while well back then accepted an outer slot for his backstretch trek. About a half mile out he bumped with Game Winner, but when that rival and nearby Tacitus both shot off, By My Standards was left in their wake while being scrubbed on by his rider.

12) VEKOMA (c, Candy Ride {Arg}--Mona de Momma, by Speightstown)

O-R. A. Hill Stable & Gatsas Stables. B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY). T-George Weaver. Sales History: \$135,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 5-3-0-1, \$788,850.

This compact \$135,000 KEESEP Candy Ride (Arg) colt broke alertly (true to form), then opted for a four-wide outer position through the turn and onto the backstretch. But he seemed intimidated when Country House bulled on by for his winning run and as other closers started to kick into high gear Vekoma didn't have it in him to take up the chase. "At least he came back in one piece," trainer George Weaver said post-race. "He might have gotten into a little trouble on the turn, but he was starting to back up anyway at that point."



Vekoma winning the Blue Grass | *EquiSport Photos*

13) BODEXPRESS (c, Bodemeister--Pied a Terre, by City Zip)

O-Top Racing, LLC, Global Thoroughbred & GDS Racing Stable. B-Martha Jane Mulholland (KY). T-Gustavo Delgado. Sales History: \$45,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$37,000 RNA 2yo '18 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 6-0-3-0, \$208,700.

Considering he was a maiden in against winners breaking from the outermost post, this Bodemeister colt showed some grit by

pressing the pace and holding a good close-up position against far more seasoned horses. His dramatic checking out of the far-turn scrum happened while he was already on the backpedal though, so it's not like the actions of the disqualified leader cost him a placing. Don't know if he'll win his next start against maidens, but I guarantee he'll be overbet in such a spot with the Derby running line leaping out of his past performances.

14) TAX (g, Arch--Toll, by Giant's Causeway)

O-R. A. Hill Stable, Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Hugh Lynch & Corms Racing Stable. B-Claiborne Farm and Adele Dilschneider (KY). T-Danny Gargan. Lifetime Record: GSW, 6-2-2-1, \$326,300.

Tax broke alertly and claimed a near-front rail position, but by the first turn he was steadily passed by nearly half the pack. He held his inside spot well though, and as the field tightened up he was only about five lengths off the lead. When roused for run 3 1/2 furlongs out, this Arch gelding had no go to give. "My horse was bothered by the splash in his face," said jockey Junior Alvarado. "He was not happy about that. He kept trying but he was focused on the mud being kicked in his face."

15) ROADSTER (c, Quality Road--Ghost Dancing, by Silver Ghost)

'TDN Rising Star'. O-Speedway Stable LLC. B-Stone Farm (KY). T-Bob Baffert. Sales History: \$525,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-3-0-1, \$706,200.

This \$525,000 KEESEP Quality Road 'TDN Rising Star' never mounted a stout challenge while well behind the field. "I am disappointed to be honest," said jockey Florent Geroux. "He broke all right but never traveled down the stretch the first time. He started picking up horses down the backside, but when I hit the half-mile pole, I was just out of horse. I am not sure if he didn't like the track but it felt like he never ran."

16) LONG RANGE TODDY (c, Take Charge Indy--Pleasant Song, by Unbridled's Song)

O/B-Willis Horton Racing, LLC (KY). T-Steve Asmussen. Lifetime Record: GSW, 9-4-1-1, \$854,459.

Long Range Toddy was in the hunt for the lead early on in the Derby, which is not a shocker given that he has consistently been a good gate-breaker, but it did go against jockey Jon Court's stated pre-race strategy of wanting to back off the pace. This Take Charge Indy homebred forced the fractions while sitting just off the flank of leader Maximum Security, and while he did take back sharply as part of the ripple-effect crowding just prior to the five-sixteenths pole, it's debatable whether the incident was a true momentum-stopper or if Long Range Toddy had already given all he could by the time that incident occurred. This figures to be a very useful colt with a little class relief.

17) MAXIMUM SECURITY (c, New Year's Day--Lil Indy, by Anasheed)

O/B-Gary & Mary West (KY). T-Jason Servis. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-4-0-0, \$649,400.

Obscured by the controversial DQ debate is the fact that this previously undefeated overachiever ran a very admirable wire-to-wire winning race. This son of New Year's Day gamely established himself at the head of affairs, led under legit pressure, and swatted away challengers off the turn despite (or you might argue "because of") his shifting outward two or three paths while at the 2 1/2 furlong pole. Jockey Luis Saez said the crowd noise spooked "Max" but that the colt responded when refocused, digging in to put away not just one, but three separate stretch bids from onrushing rivals. He first clawed back the lead from Code of Honor, then shifted out slightly to impose himself on War of Will at the eighth pole, and still had enough left in reserve over 10 furlongs to repulse the stamina-centric Country House, all the while extending his winning margin to 1 3/4 lengths. The stewards relegated Maximum Security to 17th, placing him behind Long Range Toddy, for causing chain-reaction interference on the turn.



Maximum Security | Horsephotos

18) SPINOFF (c, Hard Spun--Zaftig, by Gone West)

O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (KY). T-Todd Pletcher. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 5-2-0-0.

Spinoff was a pace presence while five wide into the first turn and down the backstretch run, but he never flashed signs of wanting to be more aggressively involved. "Spinoff just hated the track," said trainer Todd Pletcher. "He didn't really want any part of it. I had a hint about that earlier in the week when he galloped on the 'off' and showed us he didn't care for it. When Manny [Franco] went to riding him, he just backed right out of there."

19) GRAY MAGICIAN (c, Graydar--Burg Berg, by Johannesburg)

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Gary Barber & Wachtel Stable. B-Twin Creeks Farm (KY). T-Peter Miller. Lifetime Record: GSP-UAE, 9-1-3-2, \$584,140.

"He seemed to handle the track well but I just ran out of horse," said jockey Drayden Van Dyke. Added trainer Peter Miller, "The horse bled a two out of five and we are going to give him a little break and bring him back in 30 or 45 days."

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RACHEL ALEXANDRA FEATURED IN INAUGURAL TDN LOOK



Click on the photo above to watch the TDN Look's video on Rachel Alexandra at home at Stonestreet Farms

by Kelsey Riley

When it comes to producing a winner, the elements of a fine wine and a champion Thoroughbred look rather alike. Each is built on a foundation of intricate detail that leaves nothing to chance, and both are given the opportunity to flourish through an impeccably high standard of care that lasts a lifetime.

There is perhaps no one who understands the importance of this better than Barbara Banke, who has reached--and stayed at--the top of the game in both industries.

Speaking at her Stonestreet Farm in Lexington on a sun-splashed April day, Banke, the chairman and proprietor of Jackson Family Wines, which she co-founded with her late husband Jess Jackson, said, "I think if people come to the farms, they see how it starts with the babies and the care that is given to the babies and the mares. And then, as they train on to be racehorses, that care continues on to the track. So when we send a horse to the track, we monitor that horse. We're there all the time to make sure that they're given the best of care. If they need a little spell from the trainer, we make sure that happens. A lot of people do that, so I would say the horse business is really concerned with the welfare of these magnificent animals.

That starts at the farm, but it continues all the way through their life. When they come back to the farm as broodmares, you want them back healthy and happy, and that's our goal."

That unwavering care through every stage of life is particularly evident on this day as we whizz through the lanes of Stonestreet by golf cart. Lush green paddocks stretch out around us in every direction. Some are dotted by heavily pregnant mares, munching lazily in the sun while in others, newborn foals frolic around their mothers, testing the gears that have been passed down to them by generations of selective breeding. Eventually, we roll to a stop beside one of the farm's many immaculate grey and white barns, where waiting inside is Stonestreet's crown jewel, the five-time Grade I winner and 2009 Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra.

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DHS TO ACCEPT VISA PETITIONS BEGINNING MAY 8

The Department of Homeland Security will begin accepting petitions for 30,000 additional H-2B visas restricted to returning workers for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 May 8, according to a release from the National Thoroughbred Racing Association. The supplemental H-2B visas are available only to returning workers who received an H-2B visa, or were otherwise granted H-2B status, during one of the last three fiscal years (FY 2016, 2017, or 2018), and availability is restricted by prioritizing only those businesses who would suffer irreparable harm without the additional workers.

"We applaud the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Labor for this joint rule making available an additional 30,000 H-2B temporary nonagricultural worker visas for Fiscal Year 2019," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "Even though these supplemental H-2B visas are available only to returning workers and there is an irreparable harm limitation, many Thoroughbred trainers will no doubt qualify for these visas because of the labor shortage that is now the norm on racetrack backstretches."

Waldrop further added, "We urge Congress to pass legislation to permanently and significantly expand the number of H-2B visas made available on an annual basis."

Details on eligibility and filing requirements are available at www.USCIS.gov.

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MJC TO OFFER TRAINER BONUSES PREAKNESS WEEKEND

The Maryland Jockey Club will once again offer a total of \$150,000 in bonus money to trainers who accumulate points in races at Pimlico during Preakness weekend. Trainers who run a minimum of five horses in the 16 stakes races during Preakness weekend will be eligible for \$100,000 in bonus money, with \$50,000 going to the trainer with the most points, \$25,000 for second, \$12,000 for third, \$7,000 for fourth, \$4,000 for fifth and \$2,000 for sixth.

Points are accumulated for finishing first (10 points), second (seven), third (five) and fourth (three) and by having a starter (one) in each of Pimlico's stakes races.

This will be the third year that the Maryland Jockey Club has offered the bonuses. Hall of Fame trainer Steve Asmussen captured the \$50,000 prize in both 2017 and 2018. He was tops with 38 points in 2017, including wins in the GIII Allaire duPont and GIII Miss Preakness S., while his 82 points from 2018 included wins in the GIII Chick Lang S., GIII Maryland Sprint, James Murphy S. and Skipat S. and a third with Tenfold in the 143rd Preakness.

There will also be bonus money totaling \$50,000 for trainers with the most points in non-stakes races during Preakness weekend. The points are accumulated in similar fashion, with \$25,000 going to the leader, \$10,000 to second, \$7,500 to third, \$4,000 to fourth, \$2,500 to fifth and \$1,000 to sixth.

Linda Rice edged Pimlico-based trainer Mary Eppler, 22-19, to earn the top non-stakes bonus in 2018.

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VENEZIA AWARD VOTING OPEN TO PUBLIC

Online voting for the 2019 Mike Venezia Memorial Award began May 6, with racing fans given the option of choosing from finalists Javier Castellano, Irad Ortiz, Jr., Jose Ortiz, Florent Geroux and Ricardo Santana, Jr.

Fans can make their selection at NYRA.com/Venezia with the online voting period to conclude May 20. The winner will be announced May 23 and the award will be presented in a special ceremony at Belmont Park May 27.

Created in 1989, the Mike Venezia Memorial Award is given to a jockey who displays the extraordinary sportsmanship and citizenship that defined Venezia, who died as the result of injuries suffered in a spill in 1988. Venezia, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., won more than 2,300 races during his 25-year career.

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R.A.C.E FUND AUCTION GETS UNDERWAY MAY 24

The Retirement Assistance and Care for Equines Fund will launch its 2019 fund drive with an online auction on eBay which opens May 24 at 8 p.m. ET. and ends May 31. Featured items include the halters of: champion Songbird, 2012 GI Belmont S. winner Union Rags, 2004 GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. winner Smarty Jones, 2017 G1 Dubai and GI Pegasus World Cup winner Arrogate, 2007 GI King's Bishop S. winner Hard Spun, and Littleprincesemma, dam of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah.

"We have some very exciting auction items again this year. We would like to especially thank volunteer Roxanne Campbell for her tireless efforts, as well as Airdrie Stud, Inc., Mrs. Pat Chapman and Equistar Farm, Castleton Lyons, Claiborne, Darley-Godolphin, Denali Stud, Gainesway, Juddmonte Farms, Lane's End, Shadwell, Secretariat.com, Stonestreet, Summer Wind Farm, Three Chimneys and Timber Town Stables for their generous support by donating such valuable items of racing champions to help us raise funds," said Marlene Murray, President of the R.A.C.E. Fund.

R.A.C.E. Fund was established in 2004 and is TAA accredited. More information about the organization can be obtained at www.racefund.org.

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A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Non-Industry Media

The Kentucky Derby Decision Might Avert Disaster *The stewards at Churchill Downs were absolutely right to disqualify Maximum Security after the talented colt drifted out at the top of the stretch and nearly wiped out the entire field in the 145th running of the Kentucky Derby. In fact, what's striking about the reaction to the ruling is that those closest to the sport have been the least surprised by it. There are plenty of things wrong about horse racing in America, but what happened Saturday at the Kentucky Derby isn't one of them.* **Andrew Cohen, The Atlantic**

As Questions and Confusion Linger, This Kentucky Derby Hangover Isn't Close to Over *This city awakens every year on the first Sunday in May with a collective hangover--a head that throbs from too many mint juleps downed, too many cheap cigars smoked and too much money lost. It has been ever thus, the price for hosting a Saturday party that begins before dawn and ends long after midnight and does not take prisoners. But on this particular Sunday, as leaf blowers swept away worthless betting tickets and teenaged volunteers scraped flattened Bud Light cans off the walkways, the pain ran just a little deeper and threatened to last a little longer. This was the Derby that would not end, and will not end. A Derby that may yet be decided in a boardroom or, heaven help us all, a courtroom. A Derby that will be remembered when the children of the grownups in attendance are long gone.* **Tim Layden, Sports Illustrated**

Forget Maximum Security's misstep; the whole of horse racing is a foul *If there's a moral to the 145th Kentucky Derby, it's that you can't take the gambling out of gambling. But try telling that to horse people, those incurable lottery addicts. The stewards of Churchill Downs imposed an artificial order on 19 horses searching for solid footing while stampeding in a mire, the brown water pooling in mud-trench harrows, while 150,000 people wearing flower pots on their heads hollered at them. What sense did any of it make? The final result, Maximum Security disqualified for committing a "foul" by straying wide, handing the roses to Country House, was just another attempt by silly humans to mask the astounding risk. Let's be clear: This entire sport is a foul.* **Sally Jenkins, The Washington Post**

Sunday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO SAO PAULO-G1, BR\$194,300, 5-5, Cidade Jardim, 3yo/up, 2400mT, 2:25.48, fm.

1--**OLYMPIC HOLLYWOOD (BRZ)**, 128, c, 4, by Soldier of Fortune (Ire)

1st Dam: Ulaya (Brz), by Wild Event

2nd Dam: Special Lady (Arg), by Lode

3rd Dam: Sport Lady (Arg), by Banner Sport

1st **GROUP 1 WIN**. O/B-Haras Regina (Brz); T-R. Solanes; J-W.S. Cardoso. Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2. *1/2 to Olympic Grece (Brz) (Roderic O'Connor {Ire}), GSP-Brz. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Aviao Sureno (Brz)**, 121, c, 3, First American--Notavel Surena (Brz), by Redattore (Brz). O-Neverending Stud; B-Haras Old Friends Ltda. (Brz); T-T. Haidar.

3--**Modigliani (Brz)**, 123, c, 3, Salto (Ire)--Ula de Lorena (Brz), by Nedawi (GB). O-Athayde Lopes; B-Castellano Stud (Brz); T-E. Araujo.

Margins: 6 3/4, 1 3/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 3.80, 3.10, 7.50.

Also Ran: Forte Cheyenne (Brz), First Fighter (Brz), Acteon Gaucho (Brz), Eleito (Brz), Power-Quark (Brz), Ultra Bom (Brz), Mary Jane (Brz), Olympic Idaho (Brz). [Click for Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Saturday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO OSAF - ORGANIZACION SUDAMERICANA DE FOMENTO DEL SANGRE PURA DE CARRERA-G1, BR\$148,200, 5-4, Cidade Jardim, 3yo/up, f/m, 2000mT, 1:59.40, fm.

1--**ALEGRIA AFLEET (BRZ)**, 121, f, 3, by Redattore (Brz)

1st Dam: Questa Afleet (Brz), by Northern Afleet

2nd Dam: Damelia (Arg), by Contested Bid

3rd Dam: Galaxy Light, by Stage Door Johnny

1st **GROUP 1 WIN**. O/B-Haras Old Friends (Brz); T-T. Haidar; J-V. Leal. Lifetime Record: SW-Brz, 7-5-0-1. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Allez-Piaf (Brz)**, 128, f, 4, Pounced--Allez Chiara (Brz), by Fantastic Dancer. O-Stud Hole in One; B-Haras San Francisco (Brz); T-T. Haidar.

3--**Olympic Harbor (Brz)**, 128, f, 4, Didimo (Brz)--Olympic Courtesy (Brz), by North Light (Ire). O-Stud Pinheiros do Sul; B-Haras Regina (Brz); T-L. Quintana.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.60, 6.50, 13.90.

Also Ran: Love do Iguassu (Brz), Betting Site (Arg), Epaepaepa (Brz), Olympic Indiana (Brz), Querindinha (Brz), Guerra Nuclear (Brz), Duty do Jaguarate (Brz), Lepate Goose (Brz), Xama (Brz), Honoravel Bisca (Brz), Nogueirinha (Brz), Dalheconquistadora (Brz), Make No Mistake (Brz). [Click for Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Saturday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO ABCPCC - ASSOCIACAO BRASILEIRA DE CRIADORES E PROPRIETARIOS DO CAVALO DE CORRIDA-G1, BR\$128,200, 5-4, Cidade Jardim, 2yo/up, 1000mT, :55.17, fm.

1--**AMULETTO (BRZ)**, 126, c, 3, by Desejado Thunder (Brz)

1st Dam: Onca Ligeira (Brz), by From Carson City (Brz)

2nd Dam: Fortyfour Bullet (Brz), by Lupin (Arg)

3rd Dam: Milestone (Brz), by Bamino (Brz)

1st **BLACK-TYPE WIN**. O-Haras Rio Iguassu; B-Haras Ponta Pora (Brz); T-A.B. Pereira; J-V. Rocha. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1.

Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A.

2--**Consul American (Brz)**, 130, h, 7, First American--Inselberg (Brz), by Yagli. O-Stud El Gibor; B-Haras Pousada Alegre (Brz); T-C. Soledade.

3--**Icelandic (Brz)**, 130, c, 4, Silent Times (Ire)--Ice Cold (Brz), by Beat Hollow (GB). O-Stud JCR; B-Haras Interlagos (Brz); T-E. Petrochinski.

Margins: 3 3/4, 1, 1. Odds: 5.40, 1.90, 4.80.

Also Ran: Raf (Brz), Marechal (Arg), Havai (Brz), Tiger of Joy (Brz). [Click for Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Sunday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO JULIANO MARTINS-G1, BR\$80,320, 5-5, Cidade Jardim, 2yos, 1500mT, 1:28.50, fm.

1--**NAO DA MAIS (BRZ)**, 123, c, 2, by T.H. Approval

1st Dam: Espetacular (Brz), by Pitu Da Guanabara (Brz)

2nd Dam: Tell Suit (Arg), by Two Harbors

3rd Dam: Tell Tale (GB), by Tamerlane (GB)

1st **BLACK-TYPE WIN**. O/B-Haras Phillipson (Brz); T-A.F.

Barbosa; J-R. Vianaa. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0. **Werk Nick**

Rating: A++. [Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Bien Sureno (Brz)**, 123, c, 2, First American--Notavel Surena (Brz), by Redattore (Brz). O-Neverending Stud: B-Haras Old Friends Ltda. (Brz); T-T. Haidar.

3--**Davy Jones (Brz)**, 123, c, 2, Que Fenomeno (Brz)--Blank Page (Brz), by Officer. O/B-Adolpho Smith de Vasconcellos (Brz); T-E. Araujo.

Margins: NK, 1, 5 1/4. Odds: 5.60, 1.70, 4.10.

Also Ran: Baita Blade (Brz), Iquealis (Brz), Old Shipman (Brz), End Do Jaguarate (Brz), Kodiak King (Brz), Keep Down (Brz), Peter Wells (Brz), Nemesis Giant (Brz), Impecavel (Brz). [Click for Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

Sunday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO JOAO CECILIO FERRAZ-G1, BR\$75,300, 5-5, Cidade Jardim, 2yos, f, 1500mT, 1:28.42, fm.

1--**TWEET (BRZ)**, 123, f, 2, by **Midshipman**

1st Dam: Nip (Brz), by Impression (Arg)

2nd Dam: Statue, by Red Ransom

3rd Dam: Sopran Mariduff (GB), by Persian Bold (Ire)

1st **GROUP 1 WIN**. O-Stud Capone; B-Haras Santarem (Brz); T-R. Magalhaes; J-Rudinick Viana. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0.

Werk Nick Rating: F. [Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Bitcoin (Brz)**, 123, f, 2, Drosselmeyer--Tobeornottobe (Brz), by Vettori (Ire). O-Stud Nova Gloria: B-Haras Old Friends Ltda. (Brz); T-Selmar Lobo.

3--**Ternura De Birigui (Brz)**, 123, f, 2, Adriano--Joia de Birigui (Brz), by Romarin (Brz). O/B-Haras Birigui (Brz); T-Eduardo Garcia.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 3/4. Odds: 3.60, 2.10, 5.40.

Also Ran: Best Magee (Brz), Sassy Race (Brz), Iguana Rose (Brz), Vamerican (Brz), No Red (Brz). [Click for Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

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1	Animosity 	Animal Kingdom	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Gallagher	Espinoza	121
2	Causeforcommotion 	Americain	Dunham, E., Kruljac, J., Reed, Jim A., Sondereker, J., Yip, S. and Yip, D.	Kruljac	Franco	121
3	Kodiak West (Ire)	Kodiak (GB)	Gainesway Stable and Naify, Marsha	Drysdale	Van Dyke	121
4	Lynne's Legacy	Unusual Heat	Richardson, M, Robersshaw, Ritchie & Tucker, Terri	O'Neill	Quinonez	121
5	Guiliana (Fr)	Zoffany (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Powell	Prat	121
6	Queen Bee to You	Old Topper	St. Hilaire, Christopher and Vali, Adam	Pender	Fuentes	121

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5th-Parx Racing, \$40,500, (S), Msw, 5-6, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.49, ft.

PICTOR (c, 3, Munnings--Listen In {SW, \$196,332}, by Wiseman's Ferry) finished a distant second in a muddy track-and-trip unveiling Apr. 13 and was punched down to 3-2 to go one better here. Bobbling a bit at the start, the chestnut led narrowly through a :22.42 quarter, widened his advantage in hand past a :45.68 half and never faced a serious danger down the lane, hitting the wire 3 1/4 lengths to the good of Jw's Third Mischie (Into Mischief). The winner's dam produced a filly by Tapiture last season before being bred to Alliance. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$31,400. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Barlar, LLC (PA); T-T. Bernard Houghton.



IN JAPAN:

Magical Spell (Jpn), h, 5, Creative Cause--Proud Spell (Ch. 3yo Filly-US, MGISW-US, \$2,131,610), by Proud Citizen. Tokyo, 5-4, Rikka S., 8f. Lifetime Record: 12-5-1-2, \$661,818. O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Hideaki Fujiwara. *1/2 to Indian Spell (Indian Charlie), SW-US; and Etruscan (Bernardini), SP-US, \$214,637.

Gekirin (Jpn), h, 5, Tapizar--Bluegrass Chatter (GSP-US), by Bluegrass Cat. Niigata, 5-5, Hakkaisan Tokubetsu, 6f. Lifetime Record: 21-4-3-1, \$496,364. O-Yoshimi Ichikawa Holdings; B-Orion Farm (Jpn); T-Keiji Yoshimura. *¥10,000,000 Wlg '14 JRHJUL.



IN JAPAN:

Jasper More, f, 4, Archarcharch--Loramateal (SP, \$125,670), by Storm Creek. Kochi, 5-2, Katsurahama Hai, 7f. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$159,091. O-Kazuo Kato; B-Joseph Duffel, Richard Reed & Tiffany Zammit (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori. *\$15,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV; \$25,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$40,000 2yo '17 OBSMAR.



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: TUESDAY, MAY 7

Goldencents (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000
256 foals of racing age/44 winners/5 black-type winners
4-Indiana Grand, Msw 1m, MINING GOLD, 5-2
\$25,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$29,000 RNA BAR SEL yrl; \$47,000 BAR OCT yrl

Itsmyluckyday (Lawyer Ron), Spendthrift Farm, \$3,500
136 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Indiana Grand, Msw 1m, ABBY'S LUCKY HEART, 20-1

Strong Mandate (Tiznow), Three Chimneys Farm, \$10,000
139 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Parx Racing, Alw 1m, GOTTA BE STRONG, 8-5
\$2,100 EAS OCT yrl
6-Parx Racing, Alw 6 1/2f, PROUD MANDATE, 2-1
\$62,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$35,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Vertiformer (Dynaformer), Poplar Creek Horse Center, \$2,000
14 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Thistledown, Alw 1m, SAMMY DA BULL, 6-1



Zenagh, f, 3, Mizzen Mast. See "France".

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Parx Racing, \$47,000, 5-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.93, ft.
CAPT. GRIDER (g, 5, Astrology--Majestic Dy {MSW & GSP, \$285,731}, by Dynaformer) Lifetime Record: 26-5-5-2,
 \$156,961. O-Pewter Stable; B-Kings and Queens Farm (KY);
 T-Kathleen A. Demasi. *1/2 to Al Qasr (Aptitude), HotY, Ch. Imp.
 Older Horse, Older Horse, Imp. Stayer & Stayer & MGSW-Per,
 G1SW-Arg & SW-US, \$190,118; Delicate Dynamite (Old Trieste),
 MSW & GSP, \$368,404; and Xaverian (Sky Mesa), SW, \$145,871.

1st-Delaware, \$42,515, 5-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.13,
 ft.

QUEEN NEKIA (f, 4, Harlington--All Night Labor {MSW, \$513,749}, by Double Honor) Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-5,
 \$125,625. O-Pecoraro Stable Inc.; B-Porter Racing Stable, LLC
 (FL); T-Anthony Pecoraro. *\$22,000 Ylg '16 EASOCT.

6th-Parx Racing, \$41,250, (S), 5-6, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.60,
 ft.

AMANDASROMEO (f, 3, Weigelia--Last Shot, by Pioneering)
 Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-2-0, \$101,950. O-Hopes Racing Stable,
 Inc.; B-Wendy H. Mutnick (PA); T-Guadalupe Preciado.

8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$41,800, 5-5, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m,
 5fT, :56.87, fm.

GOTHAM DESIRE (m, 5, Gotham City--Afleet's Desire, by Northern Afleet) Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-2, \$112,530. O-Steve
 Moger; B-Daehling Ranch (CA); T-Ed Moger, Jr.

8th-Delaware, \$40,125, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 5-6, 3yo/up,
 f/m, 1m 70y, 1:41.01, ft.

DROP DEAD RED (m, 6, Hold Me Back--Stylish Affair, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: SP, 28-6-4-2, \$184,175. O-AJ Suited
 Racing Stable, LLC; B-C. Oliver Iselin (VA); T-Francis Abbott, III.
 *\$28,000 Ylg '14 FTKJUL; \$55,000 2yo '15 OBSOPN. **Full to
 Hold Me Black, SP, \$178,196.

7th-Thistledown, \$24,000, 5-6, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f,
 1:06.28, ft.

HAWT MESS (f, 3, Girolamo--Dressed to Kill {MSP}, by Formal Gold) Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-1, \$53,402. O-Gene Burkholder;
 B-Estate of Frederic S Papert (KY); T-Kim A. Puhl.

3rd-Louisiana Downs, \$23,000, (S), 5-6, (NW2L), 3yo, f, 6f,
 1:12.52, ft.

CRISPY CREED (f, 3, Jimmy Creed--Disarona, by Bowman's Band) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$49,250. O-Drop 23, LLC; B-Gulf
 Haven Farms, LLC (LA); T-Henry B. Johnson, Jr. *\$50,000 Ylg '17
 FTKOCT; \$85,000 2yo '18 OBSAPR.

8th-Emerald Downs, \$21,700, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 5-5,
 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:02.04, ft.

BEST OF ME (f, 4, Super Saver--Lemon Gin, by First Samurai)
 Lifetime Record: SP, 7-3-0-1, \$106,280. O-Todd & Shawn
 Hansen; B-John D. Gunther (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright. *\$50,000
 Ylg '16 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Whiskey Bound, g, 3, **Afleet Alex**--La Grange (SW & GSP,
 \$107,200), by Curlin. Hastings Racecourse, 5-5, 6f, 1:13.24.
 B-R. S. Evans (KY). *\$9,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$9,500 Ylg
 '17 FTKFEB; C\$2,000 Ylg '17 BRCSEP.

Golden Birthday, g, 3, **Golden Balls (Ire)**--Mindy's Birthday (Ire),
 by Singspiel (Ire). Santa Anita, 5-5, (S), 1mT, 1:36.12. B-DP
 Racing, LLC (CA). *\$5,500 RNA Ylg '17 BAROCT.

Krissy, f, 3, **Pop Artist**--Ouch, by Gilded Time. Hastings
 Racecourse, 5-5, 6f, 1:11.01. B-Dino Konstantinos Condilenios
 (BC).

Leader of Men, g, 3, **War Front**--Refugee (GSP, \$114,070), by
 Unaccounted For. Louisiana Downs, 5-6, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.52.
 B-Barronstown Stud (KY). *\$450,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP.
 **1/2 to Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday), MGISW-US &
 G1SP-UAE, \$3,512,625; Executiveprivilege (First Samurai),
 MGISW, \$999,000; and Profit (Not For Love), SP, \$180,285.

Billie G, f, 4, **Foreign Policy**--Swift Reply, by Wood Reply. Will
 Rogers Downs, 5-6, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.44. B-Randy Swango (OK).

Baby Sugar, f, 4, **Mizzen Mast**--Shoogle, by A.P. Indy. Louisiana
 Downs, 5-6, 7 1/2fT, 1:35.57. B-Indian Creek Thoroughbred
 Farm, LLC (LA).



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Shards of Class, f, 4, **Teufflesberg**--Mrs Rabbits, by Devil His Due. Finger Lakes, 5-6, 4 1/2f, :53.58. B-James K. Roberts (NY).



AFLEET ALEX, Whiskey Bound, g, 3, o/o La Grange, by Curlin. MSW, 5-5, Hastings

ASTROLOGY, Capt. Grider, g, 5, o/o Majestic Dy, by Dynaformer. ALW, 5-6, Parx Racing

FOREIGN POLICY, Billie G, f, 4, o/o Swift Reply, by Wood Reply. MSW, 5-6, Will Rogers

GIROLAMO, Hawt Mess, f, 3, o/o Dressed to Kill, by Formal Gold. ALW, 5-6, Thistledown

GOLDEN BALLS (IRE), Golden Birthday, g, 3, o/o Mindy's Birthday (Ire), by Singspiel (Ire). MSW, 5-5, Santa Anita

GOTHAM CITY, Gotham Desire, m, 5, o/o Afleet's Desire, by Northern Afleet. ALW, 5-5, Golden Gate

HARLINGTON, Queen Nekia, f, 4, o/o All Night Labor, by Double Honor. ALW, 5-6, Delaware

HOLD ME BACK, Drop Dead Red, m, 6, o/o Stylish Affair, by Not For Love. AOC, 5-6, Delaware

JIMMY CREED, Crispy Creed, f, 3, o/o Disarona, by Bowman's Band. ALW, 5-6, Louisiana Downs

MIZZEN MAST, Baby Sugar, f, 4, o/o Shoogle, by A.P. Indy. MSW, 5-6, Louisiana Downs

MUNNINGS, Pictor, c, 3, o/o Listen In, by Wiseman's Ferry. MSW, 5-6, Parx Racing

POP ARTIST, Krissy, f, 3, o/o Ouch, by Gilded Time. MSW, 5-5, Hastings

SUPER SAVER, Best of Me, f, 4, o/o Lemon Gin, by First Samurai. AOC, 5-5, Emerald Downs

TEUFFLESBERG, Shards of Class, f, 4, o/o Mrs Rabbits, by Devil His Due. MSW, 5-6, Finger Lakes

WAR FRONT, Leader of Men, g, 3, o/o Refugee, by Unaccounted For. MSW, 5-6, Louisiana Downs

WEIGELIA, Amandasromeo, f, 3, o/o Last Shot, by Pioneering. ALW, 5-6, Parx Racing

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THE WEEKLY WRAP: CROWN A THORNY TOPIC



Camelot's Triple Crown bid fails, as he was defeated by Encke in the St Leger | *Racing Post*

by Emma Berry

Both Guineas were accompanied by a fierce north wind at the runners' backs in Newmarket but it was an ill wind of a different kind that dampened some of this correspondent's enthusiasm in anticipation of what is usually one of the most exciting weekends of the season. It is perhaps now an old-fashioned view, but part of the excitement of the first Classics of the British season has always been derived from potentially witnessing the horses who will go on to define their generation by progressing through the Classic distances.

The St Leger has long since fallen by the wayside as a long-term aim for the best 3-year-olds of the season and, with a more commercial hat on, it is easy to understand the reasons behind that. However, it is regretful that, while the Triple Crown is almost always a natural aim for the colts who lined up at Churchill Downs on Saturday, it is very rarely so for their European counterparts.

There are of course major differences between the British and American Triple Crowns in both race distances and the timing of the races through the season. In America it's all over in five weeks while here we have from early May to mid-September for things to go awry, with all manner of alternative options to tempt a potential challenger. [Cont. p2](#)

MAGICAL TAKES THE MOORESBRIDGE

It may have lacked the pizzazz of her seasonal bow in the G3 Alleged S., but the performance of Ballydoyle's **Magical (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in Monday's G2 Coolmore Highland Reel Irish EBF Mooresbridge S. at The Curragh was nevertheless ample to continue her winning run as bigger tests approach. Again following the solid tempo set by stablemate **Flag of Honour (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) as she had in that Apr. 13 Naas contest, the 2-9 favourite was nudged to the front by Ryan Moore approaching the furlong pole. While she did not open up this time, she still had 1 1/2 lengths to spare over the 2018 G1 Irish St Leger hero at the line with the race's eye-catcher **The King (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) a neck away in third.

Magical was campaigned in the manner of one of her stable's best juveniles, winning the G2 Debutante S. and finishing second in the G1 Moyglare Stud S., so it was a surprise that she went to ParisLongchamp last spring for the G3 Prix de la Grotte. [Cont. p5](#)

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THE WEEKLY WRAP by Emma Berry



Crown a Thorny Topic Cont. from p1

America had a long enough wait of its own before American Pharoah and Justify came along in quick succession, but in Britain, we're closing in on 50 years since the Triple Crown was last won in 1970 by Nijinsky. Despite it being so nearly achieved by Camelot (GB) in 2012, this time-honoured challenge is being failed not just by a reluctance of horses'

connections to aim for the St Leger, but to a degree by breeders. More than ever, a notable number of this year's Guineas runners had question marks on pedigree as to whether they would properly see out a mile, let alone progress beyond that. Now that doesn't of course mean that many of them haven't already proved themselves to be classy individuals and/or will go on to do so, but it's swiftly becoming apparent that the old maxim of the Guineas being the best Derby trial may not be used much longer.

Headline Act a Standing Dish

The potential for great stories to have come from this year's Guineas weekend was enormous. The 86-year-old Kevin Prendergast saddled **Madhmoon (Ire)** (Dawn Approach {Ire}) to be fourth on Saturday, while his young colleague David Elsworth, 79, has the talented **Dandhu (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) in his stable. She failed to fire on Sunday but has already landed a Group 3 win this season and there's certain to be more to come from her. Then there's the admirably frank Sheila Lavery, whose **Lady Kaya (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) ran a barnstormer of a race to be second in the 1000 Guineas. There will be many outside her County Meath stable will be hoping that the filly bought for €15,000 as a foal by the trainer's niece Joanne, and subsequently unsold as a yearling, will go one better in the Irish equivalent.



Hermosa | Racing Post

Nineteen-year-old David Egan rode in his first Classic on Saturday and his second just 24 hours later when keeping his trademark cool to guide the favourite **Qabala** (Distorted Humor) to a third-place finish for his boss Roger Varian, having won the previous day's Listed Newmarket S. aboard the highly promising **UAE Jewel (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}). To make his appearance in the 1000 Guineas even more memorable, Egan rode against his father John, who was 12th on **Garrel Glen (GB)** (Mount Nelson {GB}).

But, as we have come to expect, the headlines were dominated by Aidan O'Brien and his ever-dependable ally Galileo (Ire). The champion sire may have had no representative in the colts' Classic but he featured as damsire of **Magna Grecia (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), just as he has done with previous winners Night Of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}) and Saxon Warrior (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}). Then on Sunday, his daughter **Hermosa (Ire)**, though apparently only the Ballydoyle third string, was not just the standout in the paddock but also on the racecourse when making all the running and kicking clear out of the dip just when it looked as if her chance might be thwarted. **Cont. p3**

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The Weekly Wrap Cont.

Two years on from Winter (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) beating her favoured stablemate Rhododendron (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), this was another well deserved Classic victory for the understated Wayne Lordan. Incidentally, Hermosa's sister Hydrangea (Ire) was down the field in 10th that day, ridden by Pdraig Beggy, who would go on to enjoy the biggest day of his career a month later when winning the Derby on Wings Of Eagles (Fr) (Pour Moi {Ire}).

Coolmore has long given the Derby vital support but it seems unlikely that Magna Grecia will head to Epsom, despite his juvenile Group 1 triumph in the Vertem Futurity being a tried and trusted route to being a major player on the first Saturday of June.

Hermosa, however, the daughter of the Pivotal (GB) mare Beauty Is Truth, whose tally of Group 1 winners now stands at three, has rocketed into second place in the betting for the Oaks behind stablemate **Pink Dogwood (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}), despite O'Brien's warning on Monday that she is likely to be aimed at the Irish 1000 Guineas and not the Oaks. Her name is the Spanish word for beautiful and Hermosa's progression through the Classic tests would be just that.

Leger Legends

For all that the St Leger's dwindling appeal gives scant hope of another Triple Crown winner, its influence is perhaps now felt in other ways.

With a stud berth as a National Hunt stallion often the best that colts who run well in the race can hope for, maybe we will start to see more of them remaining in training to challenge for an increasingly lucrative programme of longer-distance races, not least the Weatherbys Hamilton Stayers' Million.

The 2017 St Leger certainly gives cause for hope in this regard. Nine of the 11 runners in that year, led by Capri (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), can still be seen in action. Runner-up Crystal Ocean has not been out of the first two in seven subsequent group races and looks a formidable flagbearer this year for Sir Michael Stoute, who excels with older middle-distance campaigners. In a stellar line-up, Stradivarius (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) was third in the St Leger and sailed unbeaten through last season as champion stayer, while Rekindling (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}) won the Melbourne Cup and Coronet (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Defoe (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}) have been admirably consistent.

Europeans Prevail in the U.S.

While American racing was dominated by one controversial story which moved even the President to air his views on Twitter, away from the Kentucky Derby there were good results for European-bred runners in the U.S. over the weekend. [Cont. p4](#)

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The Weekly Wrap Cont.

At Churchill Downs, **Digital Age (Ire)**, winner of the GII American Turf S., brought up an across-the-pond stakes double for Invincible Spirit (Ire), who had struck earlier in the day with his first British Classic winner Magna Grecia (Ire). Not only another triumph from Klaravich Stables and Chad Brown's shopping spree at Tattersalls, Digital Age brought further success for his breeder Craig Bennett's Merry Fox Stud, whose major winners include Cursory Glance (Distorted Humor) and Charming Thought (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}).

Brown's winning run wasn't restricted to Kentucky. At Belmont Park, he saddled two of the day's four stakes winners. **Santa Monica (GB)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) won the GII Sheepshead Bay S., her third graded stakes victory since being bought for 375,000gns by Stephen Hillen at the Tattersalls December Sale in 2017, and 4-year-old **Olympico (Fr)**, became the first major American winner for his French-based sire Rajsaman (Fr) when taking the GIII Fort Macy S. by three lengths.

Another ex-pat winner in Kentucky on Saturday was **Beau Recall (Ire)** (Sir Prancealot {Ire}), who claimed her second Grade II strike in the Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile S.

Marvellous Marnanes

The Marnane family has enjoyed terrific success in France in recent years and Theresa Marnane is currently lying fifth in the French owners' table behind Godolphin, Wertheimer & Frere, Gerard Augustin-Normand and Al Shaqab Racing.

On Saturday, the Marnane runners, trained by Matthieu Palussiere, pulled off a clean sweep of the three juvenile contests in the country that day, following on from the success of **Brand New Day (Ire)**, a homebred daughter of Epaulette (Aus), who won her second race of the season at Chantilly on May 2.

It was another former shuttler, Sidestep (Aus), who provided two of the four winners of the week for the team. The son of Exceed And Excel (Aus) spent three seasons at Haras du Logis in Normandy but did not return this year. He made headlines in March when his daughter Kiamichi (Aus) won the G1 Golden Slipper for Godolphin.

At Bordeaux Le Bouscat, a double was completed by his son **Wheels On Fire (Fr)** after the Con Marnane-bred **Fan Club Rules (Ire)** became the second winner for fellow freshman sire Gutaifan (Ire).

Another Sidestep colt, **Real Appeal (Ger)**, notched the second victory of his fledgling career by following his debut success at Chantilly on Apr. 24 with victory at Marseille Borely.

The Marnanes' Bansha House Stables will offer 10 juveniles for sale at Arqana's Breeze-up Sale in Deauville on Saturday, including a son of Kingman (GB) out of a Pivotal (GB) half-sister to crack sprinter Signs Of Blessing (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) (**lot 124**).



Olivia, Theresa & Con Marnane | Emma Berry

Wertheimers on a Roll

While Con and Theresa Marnane are farming the French juvenile contests, Alain and Gerard Wertheimer have been fielding a formidable team of 3-year-olds so far this season, the latest success coming via yesterday's G3 Prix de Guiche winner **Flop Shot (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}), who joins Slalom (Fr) (Intello {Ger}), Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Platane (GB) (Le Havre {Ire}) and Starmaniac (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) on the brothers' list of Classic hopefuls.

Meanwhile, Saturday's listed winner Bartaba (Fr) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and G2 Prix du Muguet winner Plumatic (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) have flown the flag for the older division and have ensured the Wertheimer team has made a flamboyant start to what could be a memorable season. **Cont. p5**

Adieu, Dunaden



Dunaden being saddled by Mikel Delzangles | Emma Berry

The final nod this week must go to **Dunaden (Fr)** (Nicobar {GB}). While it gives no pleasure whatsoever to record his death at the age of 13, amid the ongoing welfare arguments that appear to threaten horseracing, it's worth noting that so tough a horse, who raced 46 times around the world, was claimed by an accident in his paddock. Bad luck can befall even the best of them.

His story was one to keep many of the sport's smaller players hoping and believing. Yes, when he won his three Group 1 races in Australia and Hong Kong he was owned by a sheikh—and in fact he played a significant part in ensuring that the young Sheikh Fahad Al Thani would make a major investment in the sport. But this was a horse who passed from his breeder's hands at the foal sales for a mere €1,500. That breeder was Comte Edouard Decazes, who boarded Dunaden's dam La Marlia (Fr) at Haras de Maulepaire, right next to where her sire Kaldounevees (Fr) stood at Haras du Mesnil.

Dunaden, who earned more than £5 million when campaigned so admirably by Mikel Delzangles to win 10 races, was by a very wide margin the best offspring of Nicobar, a Group 2-winning miler and son of Indian Ridge (Ire). The Byerley Turk sireline hangs by a thread, with another fine stayer Vinnie Roe (Ire) (Definite Article {GB}) being one of a handful of sires left at stud to represent this foundation stallion.

Dunaden had 87 mares in his first book before his partners dropped away to 36, 56 and 17 in ensuing seasons. He had covered 10 mares this season before his death last week. Though he has such scant representation to come, he had made a promising start with his runners. Days before he died, his son

Ranch Hand (GB), bred by Emma Balding and trained by her son Andrew, was the impressive 12-length winner of a Southwell novice race in the famous 'Mill Reef colours' bequeathed to the Baldings by Paul Mellon and now carried by the horses of the Kingsclere Racing Club. Perhaps there's a chapter or two still to be written.

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G2 Mooresbridge S. Cont. from p1

Only fourth tried in blinkers there, she had turned things around by the end of May and was training like the yard's number one for the G1 Epsom Oaks only for injury to intervene. From her re-entry when successful in the nine-furlong G3 Kilboy Estate S. here in July, it has been a case of building back to where connections believed she would be and that was achieved with a win in the G1 QIPCO British Champions Fillies & Mares S. at Ascot and second to Enable (Ire) (Nathaniel {GB}) in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf.



Magical (left) | Racing Post

The G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup back at this venue on May 26 is next up for Magical and her trainer said, "She's coming along lovely. They went a good gallop--Seamus [Heffernan] didn't dawdle around in front and there were three Group 1 winners in the race, plus Jessie's horse is decent as well. Flag of Honour is getting his act together. The reason we were a bit hard on him last year was because he acted up in France last year, so we just had to wake him up a bit. He'll be better again when he goes up in trip again to a mile and a half plus. The [May 31 G1] Coronation Cup could be a possibility, but we will see how Kew Gardens gets on first [in the G3 Ormonde S. at Chester on Thursday]."

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Pedigree Notes

After producing the G1 Lockinge S., G1 Prix de l'Opera and G1 Fillies' Mile-winning Rhododendron (Ire) and this filly back-to-back, it is fair to say that the debut of the 2-year-old filly by Halfway To Heaven (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) named Heaven of Heavens (Ire) also by Galileo will be keenly anticipated. It is impossible to overstate the significance of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas, G1 Nassau S. and G1 Sun Chariot S. heroine's standing amongst Coolmore's enviable broodmare band and her third colt was born this year again by the number one sire. The incredible family of the high-class Cassandra Go (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}) and her dam Rahaam (Secreto) keeps churning out horses that make a real difference and next month it could have a G1 Ascot Gold Cup winner to boast of if the 2018 G1 Melbourne Cup hero Cross Counter (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) can keep his run going. [\(Return to p1\)](#)

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COOLMORE HIGHLAND REEL IRISH EBF MOORESBRIDGE S.-G2,

€130,000, Curragh, 5-6, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:12.19, g/y.

1--MAGICAL (IRE), 129, f, 4, by **Galileo (Ire)**

1st Dam: Halfway To Heaven (Ire) (MG1SW-Eng, G1SW-Ire & G1SP-Fr, \$941,139), by Pivotal (GB)

2nd Dam: Cassandra Go (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire)

3rd Dam: Rahaam, by Secreto

O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Orpendale, Chelston & Wynatt (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €76,700. Lifetime Record: Hwt. 3yo-Eur at 11-14f, G1SW-Eng, G1SP-Ire & GISP-US, 14-6-3-0, \$1,595,764. *Full to Rhododendron (Ire), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ire, MG1SW-Eng, G1SW-Fr, GSW & G1SP-Ire, GISP-US, \$1,786,763; and Flying The Flag (Ire), GSW-Ire & GSP-Saf, \$195,702. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.** *Triple Plus*. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**Flag of Honour (Ire)**, 132, c, 4, **Galileo (Ire)**--Hawala (Ire), by Warning (GB). O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Barronstown Stud (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. €24,700.

3--**The King (Ire)**, 129, c, 4, **Mastercraftsman (Ire)**--Catch the Moon (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. (120,000gns Wlg '15 TATFOA; 140,000gns Ylg '16 TATOCT). O-Mill House LLC; B-Longueville Bloodstock & Matrix Bloodstock (IRE); T-Jessica Harrington. €11,700.

Margins: 1HF, NK, NK. Odds: 0.20, 5.00, 33.00.

Also Ran: Latrobe (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

IT'S ALL HAPPENING

After another weekend of weekends for Ballydoyle, the kiln was kept firing at The Curragh's re-opening on Monday when **Happen** (War Front) played her part by winning the G3 Coolmore Gleneagles Irish EBF Athasi S. Seven furlongs was theoretically going to prove on the sharp side for the daughter of the stable's G1 English, Irish and Yorkshire Oaks heroine Alexandrova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), but Ryan Moore had it ideally judged as he delivered her to the front with her final stride for a short-head verdict over **Dan's Dream (GB)** (Cityscape {GB}). Runner-up to the subsequent G1 1000 Guineas runner-up Lady Kaya (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}) in the Apr. 6 G3 Ballylinch Stud 1000 Guineas Trial at Leopardstown, the 11-4 second favourite was last approaching two out but the stamina her dam imparts saw her swallow up last year's G3 Fred Darling S. winner and the long-time leader **Rionach (GB)** (Sea the Stars {Ire}), who was a neck away in third.

Aidan O'Brien is eyeing the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas back here May 26. "Her dam was always best doing that and she couldn't come from far enough back," he said. "Ryan said she won't mind stepping up to a mile, so that's where we will go next."



Happen | *Racing Post*

Pedigree Notes

Happen, who had won narrowly on her third maiden start over seven furlongs at Leopardstown in October, is a half-sister to the stable's G2 Dahlia S. and G3 Snow Fairy S. winner and G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup runner-up Somehow (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and also the dual group-winning stayer Alex My Boy (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}). The aforementioned Alexandrova is also responsible for Bella Qatara (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) who produced the Listed Cocked Hat S. winner and recent G3 John Porter S. runner-up Aspetar (Fr) (Al Kazeem {GB}). She is a half to the G1 Cheveley Park S. scorer Magical Romance (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}) and a full-sister to Masterofthehorse (Ire) who was third in the G1 Epsom Derby. [Cont. p7](#)

G3 Athasi S. Cont.

Also connected to the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and her half-sister Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) who took last year's G2 Ribblesdale S. and was placed in the G1 Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational S., G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 Prix de l'Opera, she has a yearling colt by Mastercraftsman (Ire).

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Monday, The Curragh, Ireland

COOLMORE GLENEAGLES IRISH EBF ATHASI S.-G3, €80,000,

Curragh, 5-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:26.72, g/y.

1--**HAPPEN, 123, f, 3, by War Front**

1st Dam: Alexandrova (Ire) (Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 11-13f, Hwt. 3yo Filly-Ire at 9 1/2-10 1/2f, MG1SW-Eng, G1SW-Ire & G1SP-Fr, \$1,210,034), by Sadler's Wells

2nd Dam: Shouk (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB)

3rd Dam: Souk (Ire), by Ahonoora (GB)

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith;

B-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €47,200. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$79,848. *1/2 to Alex My Boy (Ire) (Dalakhani {Ire}), 2x Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 14f+, MGSW-Fr, GSP-Ger & SP-Eng, \$239,416, & to Somehow (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9 1/2f, GSW-Eng & Ire, \$371,345. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.** *Triple Plus*. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**Dan's Dream (GB), 135, f, 4, Cityscape (GB)--Royal Ffanci (GB), by Royal Applause (GB).** O/B-Hunscote Stud (GB); T-Mick Channon. €15,200.

3--**Rionach (GB), 135, f, 4, Sea the Stars (Ire)--Forest Crown (GB), by Royal Applause (GB).** (125,000gns Ylg '16 TAOCT; €140,000 2yo '17 GOFHIT). O-Robert J W Moran; B-Car Colston Hall Stud (GB); T-Michael O'Callaghan. €7,200. Margins: NO, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.75, 7.50, 33.00.

Also Ran: Hand On Heart (Ire), Foxtrot Liv (GB), Titanium Sky (Ire), Drombeg Dream (Ire), Indian Blessing (GB), I Remember You (Ire), Luceita (Ire). [Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

THE PERFECT FLOP SHOT

Andre Fabre and the Wertheimer brothers already had a strong hand for the G1 Prix du Jockey Club before Monday, but their collective prospects of holing the Chantilly Classic grew

greater as **Flop Shot (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) demonstrated genuine flair in the track's G3 Prix de Guiche. Settled fourth initially by Maxime Guyon, the 10-1 shot who was a Mar. 12 course-and-distance scorer was delivered to put his seal on the race with 300 metres remaining and draw away to beat stablemate **Syrtis (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) by three lengths.



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Pedigree Notes

Flop Shot is the first foal out of the listed-placed Dancequest (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), who is a half to the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud winner and G1 Prix de Diane-placed Plumania (GB) (Anabaa). The latter is the dam of Plumatic (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), who captured Wednesday's G2 Prix du Muguet for these connections, and also Starmaniac (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) who was third in the G2 Prix Greffulhe on the same card. Dancequest, who also has a 2-year-old colt by Camelot (GB) named Veritas (Ire) and a yearling colt by Australia (GB) named Wallaroo (Ire), is also a half-sister to the G2 Prix de Royallieu scorer Balladeuse (Fr) (Singspiel {Ire}) who later produced the G1 Prix Vermeille heroine and G1 Prix de Diane runner-up Left Hand (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). This excellent family also features Groom Dancer, Slew the Slewor and Tagel, Falco, Kinshasa No Kiseki (Aus), Absolutely (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) and Abbey Marie (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}).

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Sunday, Chantilly, France

PRIX DE GUICHE-G3, €80,000, Chantilly, 5-6, 3yo, c/g, 9fT, 1:52.55, sf.

1--**FLOP SHOT (IRE), 128, c, 3, by New Approach (Ire)**

1st Dam: Dancequest (Ire), by Dansili (GB)

2nd Dam: Featherquest (GB), by Rainbow Quest

3rd Dam: Featherhill (Fr), by Lyphard

O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Maxime Guyon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, €64,450. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Syrtis (GB)**, 128, c, 3, **Frankel (GB)**--Sabratih (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). (€350,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG). O-Godolphin SNC; B-GB Partnership (GB); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.

3--**Insandi (Fr)**, 128, g, 3, Anodin (Ire)--Insan Mala (Ire), by Bahhare. (€42,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG; €470,000 HRA '18 ARARC). O-Sunderland Holding Inc; B-Jan Krauze (FR); T-William Haggas. €12,000.

Margins: 3, 1 1/4, HF. Odds: 10.50, 1.10, 7.10.

Also Ran: Famous Wolf (Fr), Toijk (Fr), Tel Aviv (Fr), Makmour (Fr). [Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)



Magna Grecia | *Racing Post*

"She ran an absolute cracker and I couldn't be prouder of her," said trainer Sheila Lavery, who trains for her niece Joanne, to *Racing Post*. "She travelled beautifully through the race and the plan now is to drop her back to six furlongs and have a go at the Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot. She won't run again before then I don't think and we will go straight there. She has loads of speed, so a stiff six furlongs at Ascot should really suit her."

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GUINEAS WINNERS TARGET IRISH COUNTERPARTS

Aidan O'Brien is targeting Guineas doubles for both **Magna Grecia (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and **Hermosa (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) following their victories at Newmarket over the weekend. Magna Grecia ran out an impressive winner of the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas on Saturday--providing his trainer with a 10th victory in the colts' Classic. The following afternoon Hermosa played a starring role in the G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas and while O'Brien initially suggested the G1 Investec Oaks at Epsom could be on her agenda, he is now leaning towards sticking at a mile in the Irish 1000 Guineas later this month.

Speaking at The Curragh on Monday, O'Brien said, "I was delighted with Magna Grecia and the plan is to come back here [for the Irish 2000 Guineas]. I initially thought about the Oaks for Hermosa, but it's possible that she could come back here too for the Irish 1000 Guineas."

A trip to Royal Ascot is on the cards for '**TDN Rising Star**' and G1SW **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)** (No Nay Never) after his fifth-placed finish behind Magna Grecia over the Rowley Mile.

O'Brien added, "Ten Sovereigns was on the side with no pace and Ryan [Moore] had to be more forward than he would have liked as he knew the other side was ahead of him. He still ran a very good race and the plan is to go back in trip with him, probably for the [G1] Commonwealth Cup [at Royal Ascot]."

Also pointing to the Commonwealth is 1000 Guineas bridesmaid **Lady Kaya (Ire)** (Dandy Man {Ire}).

ADVERTISE AIMED AT FRENCH GUINEAS

Martyn Meade trainee **Advertise (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}), winner of the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. last term, will make a quick turn around and run in the May 12 G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French 2000 Guineas), *Racing Post* reported on Monday. Also successful in the G2 Arqana July S. as a juvenile, the Phoenix Thoroughbred Limited colourbearer was runner-up in the G1 Darley Dewhurst S. in October and ran 15th in the May 4 G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas at Newmarket. [Cont. p9](#)



Advertise | *Racing Post*

Advertise Aimed at French Guineas Cont.

“Things didn’t go to plan in the Guineas, but maybe it was because he was slightly ring-rusty,” Meade told *Racing Post*. “The plan now is to go to the French Guineas on Sunday, as he really didn’t do an awful lot last week. We just need to sharpen his mind up a little bit because when he left the stalls at Newmarket he didn’t go a clap. He was perfect in every way going into the race, but he didn’t quite put his best foot forward on the day.

“He barely went six furlongs let alone a mile, but he didn’t have a hard race and remains in tip-top form. I’m still confident he’ll get the mile, we just have to get him ready for Sunday.”

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SANDS OF MALI CAMP CONSIDERING EVEREST, DUKE OF YORK

Richard Fahey has set The Everest in Australia as a potential long-range target for his smart sprinter **Sands Of Mali (Fr)** (Paris). The 4-year-old ended last season with victory in the G1 British Champions Sprint at Ascot in October, and reappeared with a sixth in the G1 Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan on World Cup night in March. He now looks likely to return in the G2 Duke of York S. next week, ground permitting, before heading to Royal Ascot.

Fahey told *attheraces.com*, “I was a little disappointed with his reappearance effort in the Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan where he didn’t finish the race well, but he was taking on hardened professionals and it was a big ask. However, that should have put him right for the season and he has been going very well at home since. We will be looking at York for him and if he didn’t go there then we would go straight for the Golden Jubilee Stakes at Royal Ascot. He wouldn’t want it too firm and long term we are talking about the possibility of him going to Australia in October for The Everest.”

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JALMOUD EYEING QUEEN’S VASE

Charlie Appleby feels that **Jalmoud (GB)** (New Approach {Ire}) has the ideal profile to be a lively contender in this year’s G2 Queen’s Vase at Royal Ascot. The Newmarket handler is considering stepping the hat-tricking seeking son of New Approach up to a mile and three-quarters for the Group 2 contest on June 19 which was won last year by subsequent G1 St Leger winner Kew Gardens (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Since meeting with defeat on his debut, Jalmoud has not looked back in two starts this season after following up victory on his seasonal

return at Newmarket when landing the Listed Prix de l’Avre at Paris-Longchamp on Saturday.

Appleby said, “He is not in the Derby as he was a horse that just looked to be taking his time to develop. When he broke his maiden at the Craven meeting we were pleased with it and physically he did well and it surprising how well he has done in two weeks. In France they went steady in soft ground and it turned into a three-furlong sprint which wouldn’t have suited him so I’m pleased how much he found because at one stage I thought he might have got swallowed up.

“I just wonder whether he might potentially be a Queen’s Vase horse. He has got a stout pedigree and I think going up in trip you will see a better horse in time.”

A step up in trip is likely to be on the cards for stablemate and **‘TDN Rising Star’ Al Hilalee (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who is still as short as 11-1 for next month’s G1 Investec Derby at Epsom, after he lost his unbeaten record when beating only three home in the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas at Newmarket on May 4.

Appleby added, “It was probably a race too soon of that calibre for him. He was a bit slow from the gate and after the first two or three furlongs we knew our fate. To be fair to William [Buick] he said after a couple of furlongs he was never in a rhythm aboard him so we have just got to put a line through it. He ran too bad to be true.

“He was a bit tired on Sunday so we will monitor him over the next few days. He has got a pedigree that is stamina laden so stepping up is definitely going to be the next stage but more importantly we want to get him back in front and enjoying it.”

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8.30 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £5,800, 3yo/up, 8f 142y (AWT)

TEMPUS (GB) (Kingman {GB}) makes his seasonal bow for Khalid Abdullah and Roger Charlton with one promising debut run behind him having been second in a decent Nottingham maiden in October. A son of the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud winner Passage of Time (GB) (Dansili {GB}) and therefore a half-brother to the stable's classy Time Test (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) who was later runner-up in the GI Manhattan S. and GI Fourstardave H. Under Chad Brown, he meets some notably-bred newcomers. They include Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum's **Abr Al Hudood (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn})**, a Hugo Palmer-trained daughter of the South African Classic winner Amanee (Aus) (Pivotal {GB}) and Sheikh Al Jalila Racing's **Nonchalance (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, a John Gosden-trained granddaughter of the stable's G1 Fillies' Mile winner Playful Act (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and therefore connected to Nathaniel (Ire).

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BRITAIN



Monday's Results:

1st-Beverley, £6,400, Cond, 5-6, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.80, gd.

DYLAN DE VEGA (GB) (c, 2, Poet's Voice {GB}--Colorada {GB}, by Lope de Vega {Ire}), an Apr. 20 debut second at Nottingham last time, was slick from the gate and raced on the front end from flagfall in this one. Gaining an outright advantage soon after passing the quarter-mile marker, the 4-5 pick was pushed clear inside the final 150 yards to comfortably account for Ruby Wonder (GB) (Swiss Spirit {GB}) by three lengths. Half-brother to a yearling colt by Brazen Beau (Aus), he is the first foal and scorer produced by Colorada (GB) Lope de Vega {Ire}), herself one of two winners out of a half-sister to four stakes performers headed by G3 Prix de Flore and G3 Prix Corrida victress Trumbaka (Ire) (In the Wings {GB}), from a family including MG1SP sire Russian Blue (Ire) (Danehill). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,054. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Smarden Thoroughbreds; B-Mrs H J Fitzsimons & S Bradley (GB); T-Richard Fahey.

2nd-Beverley, £6,400, Cond, 5-6, 2yo, 5fT, 1:04.66, gd.

INFINITE GRACE (GB) (f, 2, Sepoy {Aus}--Pepper Lane {GB})

{SP-Eng, \$189,643}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who ran second in her Apr. 18 debut over this trip at Ripon last time, broke well from the outside gate and stalked the leaders in third until beyond halfway here. Looming large at the quarter-mile marker, the 4-1 chance was shaken up to lead approaching the final furlong and ridden out in the closing stages to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Doncaster Rosa (GB) (Alhebayeb {Ire}). From a family featuring GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic-winning sire Stroll (Pulpit), she becomes the first scorer out of Listed Guisborough S. placegetter Pepper Lane (GB) (Exceed an Excel {Aus}) and is a half-sister to the yearling filly Brazen Belle (GB) (Brazen Beau {Aus}) and a 2019 colt by Brazen Beau (Aus). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$6,960. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Kevin Nicholson (GB); T-David O'Meara.

7th-Beverley, £6,800, Novice, 5-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 207yT, 2:11.22, gd.

MANNAAL (IRE) (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Soraaya {Ire} {GSW-Eng}, by Elnadim), last seen finishing fourth in the Listed Montrose S. at a mile at Newmarket in November, was settled in a close second throughout the early stages. Sent to the front approaching the two-furlong pole, the 5-6 favourite stayed on to score by 1 3/4 lengths from Illumined (Ire) (Sea the Moon {Ger}). On this evidence, the winner looks more of a middle-distance performer in the making than the sprinter his G3 Princess Margaret S.-winning dam was. Also runner-up in the G2 Cherry Hinton S., Soraaya is a half to the Listed Woodcote S. scorer and G2 Superlative S. runner-up Declaration of War (Ire) (Okawango) from the family of the G2 Premio Parioli-winning sire Le Vie Dei Colori (GB) (Efisio {GB}). Her 2-year-old filly is by Dark Angel (Ire), while she also has a yearling colt by Shamardal. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$12,847. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Simon Crisford.

6th-Royal Windsor, £5,800, Novice, 5-6, 3-4yo, 8f 31yT, 1:43.20, gd.

DAVYDENKO (GB) (c, 3, Intello {Ger}--Safina {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), seventh on debut over this trip at Salisbury in September, raced in mid-division from the outset as a largely disregarded 12-1 shot. Switched from the middle of the track towards the rail, the homebred stayed on under hand riding to pass Birdcage Walk (GB) (Sea the Moon {Ger}) in the last 150 yards and score comfortably by 1 1/4 lengths. The winner is a half-brother to Marenko (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who captured the G3 Fred Darling S. when it was staged at Chelmsford in 2016, having finished second in the G2 May Hill S. and G3 Prix du Calvados at two, GSW-Eng & GSP-Fr, \$112,912. **Cont. p11**

6th-Royal Windsor Cont.

The dam, who was third in Royal Ascot’s Listed Sandringham H., is a daughter of these connections’ star performer Russian Rhythm (Kingmambo) who was one of the best of her sex in recent times. Europe’s champion 3-year-old filly in 2003 courtesy of her triumphs in the G1 1000 Guineas, G1 Coronation S. and G1 Nassau S., she went on to add the G1 Lockinge S. to her tally and as a juvenile was successful in the G2 Lowther S. and G3 Princess Margaret S. She was sent to Pivotal for her first three foalings and all three were daughters who each produced group winners. Her first Barynya (GB) was responsible for the G3 Sovereign S. scorer Zonderland (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), Safina was the second and Zykina (GB) came a year after prior to throwing the G3 Sceptre S. scorer Spangled (GB) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}). Safina’s 2-year-old filly by Frankel (GB) is named Melnikova (GB), while she also has a yearling filly by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,943. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Heer We Go Again (GB), c, 2, **Heeraat (Ire)**--Madame Mojito, by Smart Strike. Bath & Somerset County, 5-6, 5f 10yT, 1:02.04. B-Dalwhinnie Bloodstock (GB). *15,000gns RNA Wlg '17 TATFOA; €3,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

maiden at Navan Mar. 30, Shelir proved the drop back to seven to be no problem when taking this Irish 2000 Guineas pointer. Travelling strongly initially towards the rear, the grey moved easily up the ranks before Chris Hayes had to get busy two furlongs from home. Hitting the front 100 yards from the line, the homebred was well on top at the line as outsider Eclipse Storm emerged from the ruck.

Trainer Dermot Weld has Classic ambitions now. “He did it very nicely and is still a horse with plenty to learn about racing,” he said. “I was always confident over the last furlong that he was going to get there. He’ll obviously appreciate a mile, which he won over in Navan, and the logical thing is to come back here for the [May 25 G1] Irish 2000 Guineas. It’s just his second start and most of the other horses had a lot more experience than he had. He’s a work in progress and I think there is a nice bit more to come from this horse.”

Shelir’s dam, who also has a 2-year-old colt by Zoffany (Ire) named Shekhem (Ire) and a yearling colt by Golden Horn (GB), is a daughter of the G1 Prix de Diane heroine Shemaka (Ire) (Nishapour {Fr}) which makes her a full-sister to the G3 Prix de Lutece and G3 Prix Allez France scorer Shemima (GB). She is also a half to the listed-winning Shemaya (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), who threw the G1 Prix du Jockey Club runner-up Shamkiyr (Fr) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), to the fellow listed scorer Shemala (Ire) (Danehill) who produced another G3 Prix Allez France winner in Shemiyla (Fr) also by Dalakhani and the dam of the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere third Shediak (Fr) (Selkirk). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

IRELAND



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Monday’s Results:

COOLMORE CHURCHILL IRISH EBF TETRARCH S.-Listed,

€57,500, Curragh, 5-6, 3yo, 7fT, 1:26.84, yl.

1--**SHELIR (IRE)**, 129, c, 3, **by Dark Angel (Ire)**

1st Dam: Shelina (Ire), by Dalakhani (Ire)

2nd Dam: Shemaka (Ire), by Nishapour (Fr)

3rd Dam: Shashna, by Blakeney (GB)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (IRE); T-Dermot Weld; J-Chris Hayes. €33,925. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$46,305.

2--**Eclipse Storm (GB)**, 129, g, 3, Dream Ahead--Gentle Breeze (Ire), by Dubawi (Ire). O-Iman Hartono. €11,500.

3--**Flash Gordon (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, Kodiak (GB)--Oasis Sunset (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). (220,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT). O-Fiona Carmichael. €5,750.

Margins: 1 1/4, NO, 3/4. Odds: 8.00, 33.00, 7.50.

Also Ran: Piano Solo (Fr), I Am Superman (Ire), Limit Long (GB), U S S Michigan, Gloves Lynch (GB), Major Reward (Ire), Antilles.

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FIRST FLIER S.-Listed, €45,000, Curragh, 5-6, 2yo, 5fT, 1:02.20, yl.
 1--**ICKWORTH (IRE)**, 124, f, 2, by **Shamardal**

**1st Dam: Ishitaki (Arg) (Ch. 2yo Filly & MG1SW-Arg),
 by Interprete (Arg)**

2nd Dam: Nice Watch (Arg), by The Watcher

3rd Dam: Nice Dancing (Arg), by Kazan (Fr)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Willie McCreery;
 J-Billy Lee. €26,550. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$40,122. *1/2
 to White Witch (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), SP-Ger.

2--**King Neptune**, 129, c, 2, **War Front**--Agreeable Miss, by
 Speightstown. O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Susan
 Magnier. €9,000.

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3--**In the Present**, 124, f, 2, **Karakontie (Jpn)**--Dreams of Fire, by
 Dynaformer. O-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd. €4,500.

Margins: 2 1/4, HF, NO. Odds: 8.00, 0.40, 5.50.

Also Ran: American Lady (Ire), Moments Linger (Ire), Kocasandra
 (Ire), Ampeson (GB).

Ickworth followed up a Mar. 29 debut score over five furlongs
 at Dundalk with an impressive victory in this black-type bow.
 Well away to stalk King of Neptune (War Front) in second
 through halfway, she cruised by that rival to lead passing the
 quarter-mile marker and was urged clear once shaken up
 approaching the final furlong to easily register a career high in
 Europe's first juvenile stakes contest of the year.

"She's a sharp little filly, I was delighted to see the drying
 ground all [last] week and I'd say a bit quicker ground would suit
 her even better," explained trainer Willie McCreery. "She's a
 little bit busy at times, but she's very easy to deal with once she
 gets out on the track and settled lovely today. It suited us to get
 a lead into the race and everything worked out. She quickened
 up well and ran right through the line. Sheikh Mohammed loves
 to have runners in Royal Ascot and she's going to love the fast
 ground so keeping her sound until then would be the thing and I
 don't think she'll run [again] before that. It's always a stiff five
 [furlongs] here and I would be thinking of five rather than six for
 her at the moment. She had all the toe everywhere and she
 quickened away from them in the last furlong. I wouldn't be
 trying to stop her as she's doing all that in her own tempo."

Ickworth is one of three winners out of MG1SW Argentinian
 champion 2-year-old filly Ishitaki (Arg) (Interprete {Arg}), herself
 the star performer produced by a winning half-sister to MG1SW
 sire New Dandy (Arg) (New Noble), dual top-level victress Nice
 Bijou (Arg) (Search Tradition) and G1 Gran Premio Criadores
 heroine Nice Tradition (Arg) (Search Tradition). The homebred
 bay is kin to Listed Bayerischer Munchener Sprint Cup third
 White Witch (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Exceed
 and Excel {Aus}). **Click for the Racing Post result. Video,
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Ickworth | Racing Post

1st-Curragh, €19,000, Mdn, 5-6, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.20, yl.

**SUNDAY SOVEREIGN (GB) (c, 2, Equiano {Fr}--Red Sovereign
 {GB}, by Danzig Connection)**, an Apr. 13 debut fourth behind
 the 'TDN Rising Star' display of Monarch of Egypt (American
 Pharoah) tackling five furlongs at Naas last time, was sharply
 into stride and led from the outset of this one. Holding sway
 throughout, the 11-4 favourite was last off the bridle inside the
 final quarter mile and surged clear under mild urging in the
 closing stages to easily account for Arizona (Ire) (No Nay Never)
 by an impressive three lengths. "I felt that he'd come on a lot for
 his first run, he duly did and I was happy with the way he did it,"
 commented trainer Paddy Twomey. "That's what I hoped would
 happen, but I wouldn't be making any hard and fast plans at the
 minute." Winning rider Billy Lee added, "He's improved a good
 bit from his first run, where he was a bit babyish and missed the
 kick badly, but he was good and professional today and travelled
 easy all the way. When I gave him a kick, he put daylight
 between them and the right horse was second." He is the latest
 foal and fifth scorer for his winning dam and hails from a family
 featuring MG1SW sire Teenoso (Youth). Sales history: 12,000gns
 Wlg '17 TATFOA; €30,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP. Lifetime Record:
 2-1-0-0, \$14,242. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O-Sunday Racing Club; B-Byerley Stud (GB); T-Paddy Twomey.

FRANCE



Monday's Results:

PRIX DES LILAS-Listed, €55,000, Chantilly, 5-6, 3yo, f, 8fT,
 1:39.22, sf.

1--**OBLIGATE (GB)**, 126, f, 3, by **Frankel (GB)**

1st Dam: Responsible (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB)

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

3rd Dam: Kerali (GB), by High Line (GB)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms

Ltd (GB); T-Pascal Bary; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €27,500.

Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €41,000.

2--**Pure Zen (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Dolce Attesa (GB), by Dr Fong. O-Scuderia Micolo SNC. €11,000.

3--**Gypsy Spirit (GB)**, 126, f, 3, Gregorian (Ire)--Romany Gypsy (GB), by Indesatchel (Ire). (6,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT). O-The Gypsy Spirit Partnership. €8,250.

Margins: 3HF, 1, 5. Odds: 4.60, 5.60, 12.00.

Also Ran: Simplicity (Fr), Mythic (Fr), Olympe (Fr), Etruria (GB), Houesville (Fr). Scratched: Isalys (Fr), So Unique (Fr).



Obligate | Scoop Dyga

Obligate led throughout when securing a Nov. 9 newcomers' heat going 7 1/2 furlongs at Saint-Cloud in her only prior start and mirrored those tactics to earn a first black-type rosette in this sophomore return. Sent to the fore from the outset, she was comfortable on the lead for the most part and was ridden clear of toiling rivals inside the final 300 metres to register a personal best with plenty to spare.

"She's a very nice filly, but not necessarily an easy ride," said winning trainer Pascal Bary. "We've established she's much better when travelling in front and that's what she did when she won last year as a 2-year-old. She has a huge stride and is more comfortable running that way. She uses that stride efficiently, but has a tendency to be a little keen with it. She took time to come to hand this year and I'm sure she'll come on for the run. I'm not certain she'll go much further so, at this stage, we'll keep her at the one-mile trip and the plan is to come back over this course and distance for the [June 2 G2] Prix de Sandringham."

Obligate is the first foal produced by the unraced Responsible (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) and the homebred bay is a full-sister to the hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt Indigo Lake (GB) and a yearling filly. Her dam is a daughter of storied blue hen Hasili (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}) and thus kin to top-level performers Banks Hill (GB) (Danehill), Intercontinental (GB) (Danehill), Heat Haze (GB) (Green Desert), Deluxe (Storm Cat), Cacique (Ire) (Danehill), Champs Elysees (GB) (Danehill) and Dansili (GB) (Danehill). **Click**

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2nd-Chantilly, €30,000, Mdn, 5-6, 3yo, 6fT, 1:12.95, sf. **ZENAGH (f, 3, Mizzen Mast--Stormica {SW & GSP-US, MSP-Fr, \$167,472}, by Storm Cat)**, runner-up in seven-furlong starts at ParisLongchamp Sept. 12 and at this venue last time Oct. 1, was off the pace through the early fractions of this seasonal return. Making headway from halfway, the 13-10 favourite came under pressure passing the two pole and kept on well under a drive once seizing control approaching the final eighth to hold the late bid of Grace Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) by a nose. She becomes the fourth scorer produced by stakes-winning GIII Desert Stormer H. third Stormica (Storm Cat) and is thus a half-sister to Listed Palomares S. third Not Here (Gone West), the unraced 2-year-old colt Kanderel (Candy Ride {Arg}) and a yearling filly by English Channel. Stormica, kin to five black-type performers headed by MGSW sire Old Trieste (A.P. Indy), was bred to Exaggerator last year. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, €25,800. **Video**, sponsored by **Fasig-Tipton**. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (KY); T-Andre Fabre.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Chateaubriant, €30,000, Cond, 5-6, 3yo, 9f 165yT, 2:01.75, g/s.

GALLY JEM (FR) (c, 3, Acclamation {GB}--Vally Jem {Fr} {SW & MGSP-Fr, \$203,841}, by Dylan Thomas {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-0, €49,990. O-Ecurie Saint Martin; B-SCEA Bissons (FR); T-Paul de Chevigny. *€90,000 RNA Ylg '17 ARAUG.

2nd-Chateaubriant, €24,000, Cond, 5-6, 4yo/up, 9f 165yT, 2:03.14, g/s.

AL MASHRAB (GB) (g, 4, Style Vendome {Fr}--Candicans {GB}, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-1, €53,350. O/B-Al Shaqab Racing (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *1/2 to Layali (Fr) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}), MSP-Fr, \$112,628.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sarati (Fr), f, 3, **Anodin (Ire)**--Quillaja (Ger), by Tiger Hill (Ire). Le Pin Au Haras, 5-5, 10fT, time: n/a. B-Marcello Randelli & Sonja Banziger (FR).

Inshallah Queen (GB), f, 3, **Casamento (Ire)**--Height of Vanity (Ire), by Erhaab. Tours, 5-5, 11fT, 2:15.27. B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *1/2 to Speedy Approach (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), GSP-Ger & SP-Eng, \$587,839.

Waddah (Fr), c, 3, **French Fifteen (Fr)**--Accordia, by Smart Strike. Chateaubriant, 5-6, 9f 165yT, 2:00.86. B-SCEA du Haras de Victot (FR).

Angelica (Fr), f, 3, **Kendargent (Fr)**--Avola (Fr), by Galileo (Ire). Tours, 5-5, 8fT. B-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois (FR).

Faverolles (Fr), f, 3, **Le Havre (Ire)**--La Pernelle (Ire) (GSP-Fr, \$191,768), by Beat Hollow (GB). Limoges, 5-5, 12fT, 2:29.60. B-Franklin Finance SA (FR).

GERMANY



Monday's Results:

1st-Mulheim, €5,100, **Cond**, 5-6, 3yo, 7fT, 1:21.99, gd.

REVELSTOKE (GB) (c, 3, Tornado {Ire}--Crown {Ire}, by Royal Applause {GB}), third in the G2 Gran Criterium at the San Siro when last seen in October, sat last of the quartet early. Taken wide of his rivals in the straight, the 2-5 favourite passed Molly Massimo (Ger) (Soldier Hollow {GB}) in the final 50 metres en route to a 1 1/4-length success. The winner is a half-brother to the Listed Scarbrough S. winner and G2 Mill Reef S. third Global Applause (GB) (Mayson {GB}), SW & MGSP-Eng, \$147,300. The speedy dam is a half to the G2 Rockfel S. runner-up Cochabamba (Ire) (Hurricane Run {Ire}) from the excellent Juddmonte family of the multiple top-level winners Byword (GB) (Peintre Celebre) and Proviso (GB) (Dansili {GB}) and champion Wandesta (GB) (Nashwan). Her 2-year-old filly Laurel Wreath (GB) by Hot Streak (Ire) is yet to race, while her yearling filly by Kodiak (GB) sold for 180,000gns to Emerald Bloodstock at the Tattersalls December Foal Sale. She also has a colt foal by Profitable (Ire). Sales history: 145,000gns RNA Wlg '16 TATFOA; €160,000 RNA Ylg '17 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ity, 4-2-0-1, €37,650. O-Australian Bloodstock Stable; B-R F & S D Knipe (GB); T-Andreas Wohler.

3rd-Mulheim, €6,000, **Mdn**, 5-6, 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:10.78, gd.

SKYFUL SEA (FR) (f, 3, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Saldentigerin {Ger} {GSW & MG1SP-Ger, GSP-Ity, \$294,863}, by Tiger Hill {Ire}), fifth on debut over this course and distance at Dusseldorf Apr. 14, was keen early racing behind the leader against the rail. Pushed along in the backstraight, the 11-10 favourite gained the lead with 300 metres remaining and asserted for a 2 1/2-length verdict over Bitcoin (Ger) (Soldier Hollow {GB}). Saldentigerin was a high-quality performer for these connections, winning at Group 3 level and placing in the G1 Preis der Diana and G1 Preis von Europa. She is responsible for Salut (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}), SW-Ger, GSP-Ity & SP-Fr, \$171,151, and his G1 Preis der Diana-winning full-sister Salomina (Ger), G1SW-Ger, \$332,689. The latter went on to produce Salacia (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) who was second in last year's G2 Sho Rose S. Also connected to another G1 Preis der Diana heroine in Serienholde (Ger) (Soldier

Hollow {GB}), she has a 2-year-old colt by Makfi (GB) named Sunchyme (Ger). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €3,200. O/B-Gestut Bona (FR); T-Peter Schiergen.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Gold (Ger), f, 3, **Sea the Moon (Ger)**--Gold Charm (Ger) (SW-Fr), by Key of Luck. Mulheim, 5-6, 7fT, 1:23.55. B-Gestut Gorldorf (GER). *€90,000 Ylg '17 BBASEP. **1/2 to Princess Charm (Ire) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$111,403.



IN JAPAN:

Enshroud (GB), c, 3, **Authorized (Ire)**--Screen Star (Ire), by Tobougg (Ire). Tokyo, 5-5, Novice Race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, \$107,273. O-Godolphin; B-Mark Johnston Racing Ltd (GB); T-Kazuo Fujisawa. *1/2 to Lumiere (GB) (Shamardal), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Eng, G1SW-Eng, \$329,674; and Sheikha Reika (Fr) (Shamardal), SW-Eng, GISW-Can, \$287,753. *90,000gns Wlg '16 TATNOV.

ASIA

Thursday's Result:

KASHIWA KINEN-Listed (Jpn-G1), ¥102,000,000 (US\$919,833/£702,601/€822,015), Funabashi, 5-2, 4yo/up, 1600m, 1:40.20, yl.

1--**GOLD DREAM (JPN)**, 126, h, 6 **Gold Allure (Jpn)**

1st Dam: Mon Vert (Jpn) (SP-Jpn, \$575,280), by French Deputy

2nd Dam: Special Jade, by Cox's Ridge

3rd Dam: Statistic, by Mr. Prospector

O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Osamu Hirata; J-Christophe Lemaire. ¥60,000,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. Dirt Horse-Jpn, MG1SW-Jpn, 19-9-6-1.

2--**Inti (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Came Home--Kitty (Jpn), by Northern Afleet. O-Shigeo Takeda; B-Kiyoshige Yamashita (Jpn); ¥21,000,000.

3--**Apollo Kentucky**, 126, h, 7, Langfuhr--Dixiana Delight by Gone West. O-Apollo Thoroughbred Club; B-Doug Branham (KY); ¥12,000,000.

IN THE DARBY DAN TRADITION

Margins: 1HF, 2, 1HF. Odds: 0.90, 0.60, 53.70.

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Leading Sires of 3-Year-Olds by Group Stakes Winners

for stallions standing in Europe through Sunday, May 5

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

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Le Havre (Ire) <i>(2006) by Noverre Crops: 7</i>	6	8	3	4	--	--	68	23	74,085	508,684
				<i>Stands: Haras de Montfort & Preaux Fr Fee: €45,000</i>						<i>Roman Candle (GB)</i>	
2	Invincible Spirit (Ire) <i>(1997) by Green Desert Crops: 14</i>	3	4	3	4	1	1	41	13	297,019	473,641
				<i>Stands: Irish National Stud Ire Fee: €120,000</i>						<i>Magna Grecia (Ire)</i>	
3	Shamardal <i>(2002) by Giant's Causeway Crops: 12</i>	3	5	3	3	--	1	41	12	90,382	302,642
				<i>Stands: Kildangan Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>						<i>Skardu (GB)</i>	
4	Dandy Man (Ire) <i>(2003) by Mozart (Ire) Crops: 7</i>	2	2	2	2	--	1	70	14	140,502	328,919
				<i>Stands: Ballyhane Stud Ire Fee: €12,500</i>						<i>Lady Kaya (Ire)</i>	
5	Kingman (GB) <i>(2011) by Invincible Spirit (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	2	3	2	2	--	--	45	15	45,368	230,161
				<i>Stands: Banstead Manor Stud Eng Fee: £75,000</i>						<i>Calyx (GB)</i>	
6	Australia (GB) <i>(2011) by Galileo (Ire) Crops: 2</i>	2	3	2	2	--	--	44	11	43,449	176,791
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €35,000</i>						<i>Bangkok (Ire)</i>	
7	Campanologist <i>(2005) by Kingmambo Crops: 3</i>	2	2	2	2	--	--	10	3	27,624	68,859
				<i>Stands: Gestut Fahrhof EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>						<i>Winterfuchs (Ger)</i>	
8	Galileo (Ire) <i>(1998) by Sadler's Wells Crops: 15</i>	2	4	1	2	1	1	51	15	283,550	480,377
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: Private</i>						<i>Hermosa (Ire)</i>	
9	Olympic Glory (Ire) <i>(2010) by Choisir (Aus) Crops: 2</i>	2	5	1	3	--	--	56	14	47,061	293,646
				<i>Stands: Haras de Bouquetot Fr Fee: €8,000</i>						<i>Phoceene (Fr)</i>	
10	Sakhee's Secret (GB) <i>(2004) by Sakhee Crops: 8</i>	1	1	1	1	--	--	43	14	84,093	222,599
				<i>Stands: Ity Fee: N/A</i>						<i>Out of Time (Ity)</i>	
11	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) <i>(2004) by Danehill Crops: 10</i>	1	4	1	2	--	--	33	6	63,458	197,448
				<i>Stands: Coolmore Stud Ire Fee: €15,000</i>						<i>Fullness of Life (Ire)</i>	
12	Showcasing (GB) <i>(2007) by Oasis Dream (GB) Crops: 6</i>	1	2	1	1	--	--	53	10	39,697	161,607
				<i>Stands: Whitsbury Manor Stud Eng Fee: £55,000</i>						<i>Mohaather (GB)</i>	
13	Iffraaj (GB) <i>(2001) by Zafonic Crops: 10</i>	1	2	1	1	--	--	54	13	22,181	158,035
				<i>Stands: Dalham Hall Stud Eng Fee: £35,000</i>						<i>Argyron (Ire)</i>	
14	Cape Cross (Ire) <i>(1994) by Green Desert Crops: 16</i>	1	1	1	1	--	--	24	8	49,479	121,011
				<i>Stands: Kildangan Stud EUR (Dead/Ret/Exp)</i>						<i>Cartiem (Fr)</i>	
15	Soldier Hollow (GB) <i>(2000) by In the Wings (GB) Crops: 9</i>	3	4	1	2	--	--	24	7	27,701	104,253
				<i>Stands: Gestut Auenquelle Ger Fee: €30,000</i>						<i>Axana (Ger)</i>	

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INGLIS AUSTRALIAN BROODMARE SALE REVIEW



Fast and Sexy | Inglis

by Paul Vettise

Coolmore successfully wore two hats on the closing day of the Inglis Australian Broodmare Sale with a winning play for a mare with a rich pedigree and later received top dollar as vendors of two well-related mares in foal to exciting stallion prospects.

At A Glance:

- Coolmore starred in two roles with success from the buying bench and as a vendor, offering a pair of high-profile mares.
- Twin Hills Stud secured a well-performed mare with a deep pedigree for A\$200,000 and compliments Inglis on the success of the sale.
- Shadowbrook Bloodstock is keen to expand its Victorian breeding operation and added quality to its broodmare band in the form of High Hostess (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}) for A\$200,000.
- Select Race Fillies and Broodmare Sale grossed A\$10,338,750 with a clearance rate of 76% and an average of A\$42,199.
- Coolmore was the leading vendor by aggregate with 24 lots sold for A\$1,502, 200 and, for three or more lots sold, Segenhoe Stud was the leading vendor by average with nine lots sold at an average of A\$73,556.

Coolmore Plays the Aces

Coolmore was firstly won over by a mare with a speedy pedigree and went to A\$200,000 for **Aljawzaa** (Exceed And Excel), **lot 477**, presented by Yarraman Park Stud. In foal to the dual Group 1 winner Impending, Aljawzaa was a juvenile winner and she is a sister to Eximius who won twice at Listed level.

“On that mating I reckon she’ll breed a good, fast 2-year-old,” Coolmore Nominations and Stallions’ Manager Colm Santry said. “We valued her at around that sort of mark. She’s a sister to a stakes winner and it’s a very fast family with Canny Lad and Dehere there.”

Also on the pedigree page are the G1 Golden Slipper S. and the G2 Silver Slipper winner Mossfun (Mossman) and Mawahibb (Magic Albert), who as Aramco won two black-type sprints in Singapore.

“The market here is very strong at the top end, especially for nice, young mares,” Santry said.

Aljawzaa is seen as an ideal consort for Coolmore’s new shuttle stallion Saxon Warrior (Jpn), an unbeaten Group 1 winning juvenile who trained on to win the G1 2000 Guineas.

Fast and Sexy to Twin Hills

Later in the session, Coolmore offered the well-performed **Fast And Sexy** (Fastnet Rock) as **lot 564** and she was snapped up by Olly Tait’s Twin Hill’s Stud for A\$200,000.

“Fastnet Rock is becoming a good broodmare sire and in time he’ll be a great broodmare sire,” Tait said. “She’s a lovely mare and Group 1 placed as a 2-year-old and a number of wins in Sydney on top of that. It’s hard to get these ones so happy to have her.”

Fast And Sexy is also in foal to No Nay Never (USA), but a future mating for the mare has yet to be decided. **Cont. p2**

He's off to a phenomenal start in the Northern Hemisphere and I hope he does the same here.

Olly Tait on No Nay Never

Inglis Australian Broodmare Sale Results Day 2 Cont. from p1

“He’s off to a phenomenal start in the Northern Hemisphere and I hope he does the same here,” Tait said. “She’s from the family of Invincible Spirit and hopefully, she can throw us some nice foals and we can bring them back here and sell them as yearlings very well. We’ll get the mare home and then make our minds up. There are lots of different options for her and we’ll continue to give that a bit of thought.”

Tait was also impressed by the strength of the sale at the Riverside Stables. “Inglis has done a great job getting people here, it’s a professional market,” Tait said. “All the right people are here and Inglis is to be complimented on that.”

Tom Moore, Coolmore Marketing and Nominations, wasn’t surprised Tait landed the final blow to get Fast And Sexy.

“She has a lot going for her,” he said. “Olly Tait is very savvy and knows value when he sees it so we wish him all the very best with her.”

Navy Cover Appealing

Coolmore’s High Chaparral (Ire) mare **High Hostess (NZ)** was offered in foal to the former crack sprinter Merchant Navy (Fastnet Rock) and **lot 590** was knocked down to Shadowbrook Bloodstock, of Victoria.

“We’re about 10 minutes south of the Cranbourne racecourse, we’ve been there about 12 years,” Norm Hassell said. “We’ve got a small farm and pre-dominantly do pre-training and a lot of rehab for horses of all types recovering from injuries. We’re not getting any younger and we’re looking to down-size that part of the operation and upsize the breeding.”

High Hostess’s cover to Merchant Navy was particularly attractive, with fingers crossed for a positive outcome this time.

“We’ve got a good mare at home and she slipped to Merchant Navy,” Hassell said. “This is a terrific mating for this mare.”

A winner over 1400 metres, High Hostess is out of Abeel Hostess (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), who was successful five times up to 1800 metres. She is a three-quarter sister to the three-time Group 3 winner Zabarra (NZ).

“High Hostess is young and we’ll have a lot of good times with her, I’m sure,” Hassell said. “We haven’t thought that far ahead for a stallion for next season – you don’t make decisions on race

day.”

Sale a Success

The revamped Australian Broodmare & Weanling Sale and the Chairman’s Sale was deemed an overwhelming success with Inglis Managing Director Mark Webster saying the restructured sales format and scheduling played a significant role in the positive results.

“We listened to the feedback from our clients after some indifferent results last year, we changed some things around and I’m thrilled with how the past four or five days have played out for everyone,” Webster said. “There was strong, competitive bidding across all three sales--the weanlings, the Chairman’s and the broodmares--and that led to many great results for the breeders and vendors.

“I’d like to thank all our clients who supported these sales and

I wish the buyers the best of luck with their new purchases.”

Friday night’s Chairman’s Sale was also a resounding success, with Henry Field of leading vendor Newgate Consignment describing it as a “really well executed sale.”

“It was a great job by the Inglis team keeping the catalogue very tight and the buying bench very big,” Field said. “It was a terrific sale. Every single mare we put to the market sold for above the reserve and the competition on most mares, there were three or more buying groups on

them. That’s testimony to the depth of the buying bench.”

Sale Stats

The broodmare sale completed a major four days of action which resulted in:

- The two days of select and general race fillies and broodmares averaging A\$42,199 and clearing an improving 76% through the ring.
- Thursday’s select weanlings clearing 85% and averaging A\$36,088 for 177 foals sold.
- The Chairman’s Sale ending with a clearance rate of 92% and average of A\$427,315, a record for a Southern Hemisphere sale.
- In total over the four days of selling almost A\$40 million was grossed.



Mark Webster | TDN AusNZ

WINNERS BY AUSTRALIAN SIRES

IN JAPAN:

Moira Aithon (Jpn), h, 5, **Lonhro (Aus)**--Titan Queen, by Tiznow. Kyoto, 5-5, Kurama S., 6fT. Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-1, \$837,000. O-Takaya Shimakawa; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Yasutoshi Ikee. *1/2 to Renee's Titan (Bernstein), GSW-US, \$168,171; Fashion Alert (Old Fashioned), GSW-US, \$260,943; and Strong Titan (Regal Ransom), GSW-Jpn, \$1,352,749. *¥64,000,000 Wlg '14 JRHJUL.

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Date	Race	Track
May 11	Doomben 10,000 S.	Doomben
	SA Derby	Morphettville
May 18	Doomben Cup	Doomben
	The Goodwood	Morphettville
May 25	Kingsford-Smith Cup	Eagle Farm
June 1	Queensland Oaks	Eagle Farm
June 8	Stradbroke H.	Eagle Farm
	J J Atkins S.	Eagle Farm
	Queensland Derby	Eagle Farm
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