

QATAR RACING ACQUIRE MABS CROSS, TO BE BRED TO ZOUSTAR



Mabs Cross (noseband) winning the Abbaye | Horsephotos

Mabs Cross (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}--Miss Meggy {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), the 2018 G1 Prix de l'Abbaye winner ([video](#)) who was recently led out unsold at 1.1-million gns at the Tattersalls November, has been acquired by Sheikh Fahad's Qatar Racing after reaching an agreement with the mare's owner/breeders David and Emma Armstrong. The 5-year-old will be bred to Zoustar (Aus) (Northern Meteor {Aus}), who will shuttle from Widden Stud to stand the 2020 Northern Hemisphere breeding season at Tweenhills Stud.

"It's really thrilling to acquire a mare of Mabs Cross's quality, and her purchase is another example of the complete faith we have in the Australian phenomenon that is Zoustar," said Tweenhills owner David Redvers. "She adds to our exciting portfolio of high-class racemares and further demonstrates the commitment Sheikh Fahad and his brothers have to breeding top-class Thoroughbreds."

A three-time winner overall at group level, including back-to-back renewals of the G3 Palace House S. at Newmarket, Mabs Cross covered herself in glory when third to Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal) and Battaash (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) in the 2018 G1 King's Stand S. and when a nose second to Alpha Delphini (GB) (Captain Gerrard {Ire}) in last year's G1 Coolmore Nunthorpe S. [Cont. p2](#)

ARIMA KINEN JAPAN'S GRAND FINALE

by Alan Carasso

Even by its own lofty standards, it has been nothing short of a magnificent season for Japanese-bred horses on the world stage. They have managed to win in places like Dubai and England, Australia and Hong Kong in prestigious races such as the G1 Dubai Turf and G1 Nassau S., the G1 Cox Plate and G1 Caulfield Cup and three of the four Longines Hong Kong International Races. Reigning Japanese Horse of the Year **Almond Eye (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) had her Hong Kong hopes cut short by a minor illness, but she looks to be in fine fettle for Sunday's G1 Arima Kinen at Nakayama Racecourse.

Utterly brilliant in winning the aforementioned Dubai Turf, she turned in an incredible effort in the G1 Yasuda Kinen, coming from a nearly impossible position to finish third, with **Aerolithe (Jpn)** (Kurofune) finding the wire just ahead of her. Given nearly five months off thereafter, she sat an admittedly soft trip in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn), but got through inside late and powered home a three-length winner, stopping the clock in 1:56.2. [Cont. p6](#)



Almond Eye winning the Tenno Sho | Horsephotos

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FOUR RACES LOSE GRADE I STATUS

Four races, including three at Santa Anita, have been stripped of their Grade I status following the meeting of the American Graded Stakes Committee. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

Qatar Racing Acquire Mabs Cross cont. from p1

She was named Sprinter of the Year at the 2018 Cartier Awards and was the recipient of the Outstanding Sprinter Award at the Racehorse Owners Association Awards.

Bred by the Armstrongs' Highfield Farm LLP, Mabs Cross stakes-winning dam is also responsible for US Grade III winner Charlie Em (GB) (Kheleyf). Other potential broodmares bought recently with the specific intention of visiting Zoustar in the future include this year's stakes-winning juveniles Good Vibes (GB) (Due Diligence) and Orlaith (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}). Both will race on in 2020 with Good Vibes set to become the first horse Qatar Racing has had with Mabs Cross's trainer Michael Dods.

Zoustar will cover mares at a fee of £30,000 at Tweenhills.

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HRI ANNOUNCES REORGANIZATION OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES



Paul Dermody

Officials at Horse Racing Ireland (HRI) announced a reorganization of its senior management team, as Paul Dermody will take over as chief executive of HRI, with John Osborne, CEO since 2017, taking on the new role of Director of Equine Welfare and Bloodstock.

Dermody, a native of Dunboyne, County Meath, joined HRI as its Commercial and Marketing Director in 2017 and served in the same role with Leinster Rugby.

"I am very excited to be taking on the CEO HRI Racecourses role. I look forward to working closely with the teams at Leopardstown, Fairyhouse, Navan and Tipperary to showcase the best of Irish racing for racegoers and industry stakeholders alike," Dermody said. "With the variety of racing hosted at these four racecourses, we have an integral role to play in growing the profile of our sport, enhancing the experience of going racing and ultimately increasing attendances. I hope to leverage my commercial experience in racing to date...to support the individual racecourses to grow their business and continue to play integral roles in the communities they exist in."

Osborne, a native of Kildare, was a former Chief Executive of the Irish National Stud prior to his service at HRI.

Osborne said: "HRI recognizes that we must have the highest standards of care for both people and horses in this industry. I am delighted to be given the opportunity to ensure that everything we do meets the high expectations of all who look on. If our horses could talk, I would like to think they would say 'a racehorse has a life well lived.'"

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DE VOS ELECTED NEW IHSC PRESIDENT

Ingmar De Vos, President of the International Equestrian Federation (FEI) was unanimously elected President of the International Horse Sports Confederation for a two-year term. He had previously served as the IHSC's Vice-President. Louis Romanet, past President of IHSC and Chairman of IFHA, was also elected as Vice-President of IHSC for a two-year term. A Belgian native, De Vos has served as President of the FEI since 2014 after previously serving as the International Federation's Secretary General.

"I'm extremely honored to be elected President of the IHSC and I would also like to thank our past President Louis Romanet for his dedication to the successful cooperation and information exchange between horse racing and equestrian sport through the IHSC," said De Vos.

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NEW RULE UPS FEE PAID FOR NON-RUNNERS

The Racehorse Owners Association (ROA) and the Professional Jockeys Association (PJA) have agreed that there will be no change in the fees paid to both Flat and jumps jockeys, but a new wrinkle is in place for those horses declared non-runners.

The fee payable to a professional jockey on the Flat remains at £127.14 and £173.59 over jumps, but while the current rules apply a fee of 40% paid to jockey on horses declared non-runners prior to raceday at 9 a.m., a booking fee of 50% will now

be paid should a horse be withdrawn at any point following jockey declarations.



The following changes are also applicable for 2020:

- In the event of a non-runner, if the last booked rider was booked prior to the Jockey booking deadline of 1 p.m. on declaration day, the Jockey will receive 50% of the riding fee.
- In the exceptionally rare event that a Jockey was booked after 1 p.m. then no non-runner riding fee is paid.
- If the horse is withdrawn before the signal to mount is given, the Jockey will receive 50% of the riding fee.
- If the race is declared void or the fixture abandoned after declaration time, no fee will be paid.
- If the horse is withdrawn after the signal to mount is given, the Jockey will receive the full riding fee.
- If the Jockey is double booked on a horse with a second preference, the Jockey will only receive the riding fee for the actual ride (e.g. 1st preference). The second preference non-runner will not command a payment.

ROA Chief Executive Charlie Liverton said “At a time when costs for owners are continuing to increase, the Board of the ROA are pleased to announce this new measure which will avoid another price rise across the board for owners. Whilst non-runners are a frustration for everyone involved, they accounted for 7.3% as a percentage of declarations in 2019, and hopefully they can be reduced even further over the coming 12 months.”

Added PJA Executive Director Dale Gibson: “We are delighted to have negotiated a booking fee for all Professional riders once the final Jockey declaration deadline occurs. The agreement, in lieu of an annual inflationary riding fee increase, is cost-neutral for owners using up to date non-runner figures.”

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BRITAIN



Friday's Result:

2nd-Wolverhampton, £5,300, Novice, 12-20, 2yo, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:28.20, st.

AMAZING NEWS (GB) (g, 2, Toronado {Ire}--Angelic Air {GB}, by Oasis Dream {GB}), who was fourth on his racecourse introduction over this course and distance Nov. 30, was quickly in front and dictating. Galloping resolutely up the straight, the 5-2 favourite hit the line strong with 4 1/2 lengths to spare over Ayr Harbour (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}). The dam is a daughter of the dual listed scorer Innocent Air (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), whose half-siblings include the stakes-winning and grade I-placed Skipping (GB) (Rainbow Quest) and the dam of the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Proportional (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}) and the GI E. P. Taylor S. winner Folk Opera (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}). She has the yearling colt Saveatree (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}) and a filly foal by Sea the Moon (Ger). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,926.

Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-W. J. and T. C. O. Gredley; B-Stetchworth & Middle Park Studs Ltd (GB); T-George Scott.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Batchelor Boy (Ire), c, 2, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Kathoe (Ire), by Fayruz (GB). Wolverhampton, 12-20, 2yo, 6f 20y (AWT), 1:14.20. B-C M Farrell (IRE). *€47,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP; 60,000gns 2yo '19 TATBRE. **1/2 to Koropick (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), GSW-Eng.

IRELAND



Friday's Result:

Dundalk, €15,000, Novice, 12-20, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:26.76, st.

DUNE OF PILAT (FR) (c, 2, Medaglia d'Oro--Rusty Slipper {MGSW & GISP-US, \$332,393}, by Lemon Drop Kid), runner-up over a mile here on debut Nov. 22, started smartly to race keenly close to the early pace. Sent to the front with two furlongs remaining, the 6-5 second favourite stayed on strongly to register a 2 3/4-length success from Balmari (Ire) (Mukhadram {GB}). The winner is the first foal out of the dam, who captured the GIII Violet S. and GIII Red Carpet H. and was third in the GI Rodeo Drive S. She is a half-sister to three other stakes performers including the GIII Oceanport H. and GIII Appleton H. winner and GI Turf Mile third Gulch Approval (Gulch), and also to the dam of the GI Wood Memorial and GII

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SIOUX NATION - Won the Phoenix S.-Gr.1 and Norfolk S.-Gr.2 at 2 and the Lacken S.-Gr.3 at 3. Out of a daughter of champion sprinter Oasis Dream and Gr.1 sprinter Catch The Blues. **First foals in 2020, fee €12,500.**



TEN SOVEREIGNS (above) beats **Advertise** and **Fairyland** in the **July Cup-Gr.1**

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Jim Dandy S.-winning sire Wicked Strong (Hard Spun). Her yearling filly by Sea the Stars (Ire) was a €220,000 Arqana August Yearling purchase by Meridian International this year, while she also has a filly foal by Invincible Spirit (Ire) and was bred to Uncle Mo and Justify for 2020. Sales history: €340,000 Ylg '18 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$13,176. O-Sun Bloodstock; B-Ralph Meahjohn (FR); T-Joseph O'Brien.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Hieroglyphic (GB), f, 2, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Philae, by Seeking the Gold. Dundalk, 12-20, 7f (AWT), 1:28.01. B-Godolphin (GB).

Big Gossey (Ire), g, 2, **Gutaifan (Ire)**--Toy Show (Ire), by Danehill. Dundalk, 12-20, 5f (AWT), :59.72. B-Mr E. Heary (IRE). *€21,000 RNA Wlg '17 GOFNOV. **30th winner for first-crop sire (by Dark Angel {Ire}).


ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Noxareno (Ger), c, 3, **Maxios (GB)**--Nobilissima (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Bluebird. Lyon la Soie, 12-20, 2150m (AWT), 2:15.50. B-Gestut Fahrhof (GER). *28,000 Ylg '17 BBASEP. **1/2 to Nianga (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}), MSW & GSP-Ger, & to Nadelwald (GB) (Shamardal), GSP-Ger, \$141,006.



IN QATAR:

Maystar (Ire), g, 2, **Mayson (GB)**--Oakley Star (GB), by Multiplex (GB). Al Rayyan, 12-20, Al Rayyan S. (Cond.), 1400mT, 1:21.81. B-Ballinvana House Stud. *€38,000 Ylg '18 TISEP; €35,000 2yo '19 GORMAY. **VIDEO**

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Friday's Result:

3rd-Lyon la Soie, €16,000, **Debutantes**, 12-20, 2yo, 9f (AWT), 1:58.45, st.

ANNALYSE (FR) (f, 2, **Olympic Glory {Ire}**--**Lily of the Lake {Fr}**, by **Dylan Thomas {Ire}**), sent off the 6-4 favourite, broke well to race in a close-up second. Committed on the front end at the top of the straight, the bay readily asserted to score by two lengths from Arrogante (Fr) (Planteur {Ire}). The winner is the first for her dam, who is a daughter of the G3 Nell Gwyn S. scorer Lil's Jessie (Ire) (Kris {GB}) and therefore a half to the stakes winner and G2 Blandford S. third Paris Winds (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). That smart performer's full-sibling Absolute Lady (Ire) produced La Cressonniere (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) who was the heroine of the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane. Her yearling filly by Shalaa (Ire) was bought by Five Star Bloodstock Transport Ltd for €75,000 at the recent Arqana October Sale. Sales history: €45,000 Ylg '18 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-Mme A G Kavanagh; B-E Robin, SCEA Keranna & Y M Roue (FR); T-Fabrice Chappet.

CONDITIONS RESULT:

7th-Lyon la Soie, €16,000, 12-20, 3yo, 12f (AWT), 2:35.11, st. **CREATIVE (FR)** (f, 3, **Mastercraftsman {Ire}**--**Incroyable {SP-Fr}**, by **Singspiel {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-3, €35,150. O-Ecurie Mathieu Offenstadt & Sylvain Fargeon; B-Wertheimer et Frere (FR); T-Jean-Pierre Gauvin. *€38,000 HRA '19 ARQNOV. **1/2 to Impertinente (Ire) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), GSP-Fr.





Hollie Doyle drives Maystar to a 3/4-length success in the Al Rayyan S. Friday in Doha | qrec.gov.qa

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IN QATAR:

Al Adheed (QA), c, 4, **Footstepsinthesand (GB)**--Wild Anthem (GB), by Manduro (Ger). Al Rayyan, 12-20, Local TB Maiden, 1400mT, 1:24.15. B-n/a. *25,000 in utero '14 TATDEM. **VIDEO**

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| Page views | 800,333 |

FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

UNITED KINGDOM

Gutaifan (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud
166 foals of racing age/30 winners/0 black-type winners
12:55-LINGFIELD PARK, 8f, RICH GIRL (Ire)
14,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2017; 1,000gns
RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale 2018 - Book 3

Mustajeeb (GB) (Nayef), Haras de Fleury
23 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
12:55-LINGFIELD PARK, 8f, MICKEY DRIPPIN (Ire)
£9,000 Tattersalls Ireland Ascot 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2019

Night of Thunder (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
108 foals of racing age/28 winners/7 black-type winners
12:55-LINGFIELD PARK, 8f, FORKED LIGHTNING (GB)
8,000gns Tattersalls December Yearlings Sale 2018
12:55-LINGFIELD PARK, 8f, I HEAR THUNDER (Fr)
€15,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2018; €26,000
Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up Sale 2019

QATAR

BANGKOK BRINGS ABUNDANT CLASS INTO QATAR DERBY *by Alan Carasso*

King Power Racing's **Bangkok (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) showed ample ability in England over the course of the 2019 season and can cap things off in Saturday's US\$500,000 Qatar Derby at Al Rayyan Racecourse in Doha. The Derby is one of three races contested annually in Qatar that is eligible for black-type.

A 500,000gns purchase out of the 2017 Tattersalls October Sale by the late Vichai Srivaddhanaprabha's operation, Bangkok made rapid progress in early 2019, winning his maiden at Doncaster in March ahead of a 1 1/4-length success in the G3 Classic Trial at Sandown the following month. Though he was well-beaten as a 9-1 chance in the G1 Investec Derby, he was runner-up to future G1 Juddmonte International S. winner Japan (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G2 King Edward VII S. at Royal Ascot and was last seen filling the same spot in the G3 Strensall S. at York Aug. 24. Silvestre de Sousa jets in from Hong Kong for trainer Andrew Balding.

Admiral Rous (Ire) (Henrythenavigator) was victorious in a pair of starts over all-weather tracks in France last winter, but also annexed a Saint-Cloud conditions test in May ahead of a

longshot third in the G3 Prix Paul de Moussac June 16. He makes his first start since being scooped up by leading Qatari conditioner Gassim Mohammad Ghazali for 325,000gns at the Tattersalls July Sale, the fourth-highest price at the auction.

Pedro Cara (Fr) (Pedro the Great) won the Listed Prix Frederic de Lagrange at Vichy July 19 and made his last appearance in the U.S., running a bang-up race to miss by a nose to the highly regarded Spanish Mission (Noble Mission) in the Jockey Club Derby Invitational S. at Belmont Park Sept. 7.

The locals are led by **Al Gazi (Ire)** (Havana Gold {Ire}), who needed eight tries to break his maiden two starts ago, then added the Thoroughbred Guineas over 1600 metres Nov. 28.

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Saturday, Al Rayyan, post time: 5:15 p.m.

QATAR DERBY, \$500,000, 3yo, 2000mT

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER |
|----|----|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 13 | Admiral Rous (Ire) | Henrythenavigator | Bentley | Ghazali |
| 2 | 15 | Al Gazi (Ire) | Havana Gold (Ire) | Al Seyabi | Al Malki |
| 3 | 5 | Alwaab (Fr) | Toronado (Ire) | Bachelot | Chappet |
| 4 | 10 | Arabic Channel | English Channel | Lukasek | Al Ramzani |
| 5 | 1 | Bangkok (Ire) | Australia (GB) | De Sousa | Balding |
| 6 | 8 | Dunkirk Harbour | Declaration of War | Quinn | Mountain |
| 7 | 2 | Ernest Aldrich (GB) | Oasis Dream (GB) | Pedroza | Al Malki |
| 8 | 7 | Markhor (Ire) | Frankel (GB) | Maniezzi | Ibido |
| 9 | 16 | Noble Ancestry (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) | Casamento | Ghazali |
| 10 | 3 | Oklahoma Dancer | Beggarthyneighbor | Al Balushi | Selvaratnam |
| 11 | 11 | Old Glory (Ire) | Frankel (GB) | Thomas | Al Ramzani |
| 12 | 14 | Pedro Cara (Fr) | Pedro The Great | Piccone | Sanchez |
| 13 | 4 | Say Good Buy (Ger) | Showcasing (GB) | Starke | Grewe |
| 14 | 12 | Seeyoubyme (Fr) | Siyouni (Fr) | Curatolo | Mountain |
| 15 | 6 | Venedegar (Ire) | Dubawi (Ire) | Henrique | Al Ramzani |
| 16 | 9 | Zamharer (GB) | Olympic Glory (Ire) | Guillambert | Ghazali |

All carry 128lbs.

Friday's Results:

QATAR OAKS (NBT), \$100,000, Al Rayyan, 12-20, 3yo, f, 2000mT, 2:01.73, gd.

1--**EX MISS (IRE)**, 128, f, 3, **Excelebration (Ire)**--Miss Starlight (GB), by Trade Fair (GB). O/B-Eng. Hassan Ali A M Aladulmalik; T-Ahmed Mohammad Kobeissi; J-Ryan Curatolo; \$57,000.

Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$65,695.

2--**Star of War**, 128, f, 3, Declaration of War--Sunshine For Life, by Giant's Causeway. (€22,000 Ylg '17 GOFORB; 60,000gns 2yo '18 TATAPR). \$22,000.

3--**Manorah (Ire)**, 128, f, 3, The Factor--Fifth Avenue Doll, by Marquetry. (€50,000 Wlg '16 GOFNOV; 82,000gns Ylg '17 TATOCT; 46,000gns HRA '19 TATAUT). \$11,000.

Margins: 2HF, 1 3/4, 1 1/4. **VIDEO**

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

Arima Kinen cont. from p1

"Her movement was very good this week," said jockey Christophe Lemaire. "She's in good shape. She won over the Tokyo 2400 meters easily, in record time, and has stamina, so she should be OK over 2500 meters at Nakayama. This will be her first time at the venue, but she's a very easy horse to ride."

Last year's G1 Japan Cup winner is joined by **Suave Richard (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), victorious beneath Oisin Murphy in last month's Tokyo feature, but no better than seventh in the Tenno Sho. **Cheval Grand (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), the 2017 Japan Cup hero, was third to Silk Racing's Blast Onepiece (Jpn) (Harbinger {GB}) in this event 12 months ago and was part of a Japanese 2-3 finish in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic (Suave Richard, third). The 7-year-old was a latest ninth in the Japan Cup.

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2019 in photos: Anapurna (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and Frankie Dettori defeat Pink Dogwood (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) and Ryan Moore in the G1 Investec Oaks at Epsom. | racingfotos.com

Lys Gracieux (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) has a record of 4-2-1-1 in 2019, defeating former G1 Kikuka Sho winner **Kiseki (Jpn)** (Rulership {Jpn}) and Suave Richard in the G1 Takarazuka Kinen in June. Racing first-up for four months in the Cox Plate at Moonee Valley Oct. 26, the 5-year-old proved 1 1/2 lengths too strong. Damian Lane, in the saddle for her last two runs, has the call Sunday.




Lys Gracieux | Horsephotos

World Premiere (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) took out this year's Kikuka Sho Oct. 20, defeating **Velox (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) into third, and retains the services of the legendary Yutaka Take. Another of the Arima Kinen's six 2019 Classic winners is **Saturnalia (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), who bested Velox by a head in the G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) and again in the G2 Kobe Shimbun Hai in September. But could get no closer than sixth to Almond Eye in the Tenno Sho as the well-backed 12-5 second choice.

The Arima Kinen is annually the most heavily bet race in the world. Last year's handle on the race alone was ¥43,664,039,500 (US\$398,916,636/£306,835,446).

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Proven Thoroughbreds and Steven O'Dea have teamed for much success this season and it looks set to continue Saturday in Brisbane. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan, post time: 3:25 p.m.

ARIMA KINEN-G1, ¥570,000,000 (£4,005,913/€4,685,731/A\$7,568,600/US\$5,211,828), 3yo/up, 2500mT

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Scarlet Color (Jpn) (f) | Victoire Pisa (Jpn) | Iwata | Takahashi | 121 |
| 2 | Suave Richard (Jpn) | Heart's Cry (Jpn) | Murphy | Shono | 126 |
| 3 | Etario (Jpn) | Stay Gold (Jpn) | Yokoyama | Tomomichi | 126 |
| 4 | Stiffelio (Jpn) | Stay Gold (Jpn) | Maruyama | Otonashi | 126 |
| 5 | Fierement (Jpn) | Deep Impact (Jpn) | Ikezoe | Tezuka | 126 |
| 6 | Lys Gracieux (Jpn) (f) | Heart's Cry (Jpn) | Lane | Yahagi | 121 |
| 7 | World Premiere (Jpn) | Deep Impact (Jpn) | Take | Tomomichi | 121 |
| 8 | Rey de Oro (Jpn) | King Kamehameha (Jpn) | Miura | Fujisawa | 126 |
| 9 | Almond Eye (Jpn) (f) | Lord Kanaloa (Jpn) | Lemaire | Kunieda | 121 |
| 10 | Saturnalia (Jpn) | Lord Kanaloa (Jpn) | Soumillon | Sumii | 121 |
| 11 | Kiseki (Jpn) | Rulership (Jpn) | Moore | Sumii | 126 |
| 12 | Crocsmia (Jpn) (f) | Stay Gold (Jpn) | Fujioka | Nishiura | 121 |
| 13 | Al Ain (Jpn) | Deep Impact (Jpn) | Matsuyama | Ikee | 126 |
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The Committee reviewed 844 U.S. stakes races with a purse of at least \$75,000, and assigned graded status to 448 of them, two fewer than were graded in 2019, and listed status to 196 races. Seven Graded races were upgraded; six new Grade III races were named; 32 new listed races were upgraded from non-listed black-type status. Thirteen races which carried graded or listed status in 2019 are no longer eligible for grading.

No races were upgraded to Grade I status for 2020. Four races were downgraded from Grade I to Grade II for 2020: the Vosburgh S. at Belmont Park; Chandelier S., Santa Anita Oaks and Santa Anita Sprint Championship S. at Santa Anita Park.

Seven races were upgraded to Grade II status for 2020: the Fort Marcy S., Pennine Ridge S. and Pilgrim S. at Belmont Park; Edgewood S. and Pat Day Mile S. at Churchill Downs; Dixiana Bourbon S. at Keeneland; and Joe Hernandez S. at Santa Anita Park.

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NYRA ON BOARD WITH SAFETY REFORMS, BUT NOT LOOKING TO BAN WHIP *by Bill Finley*

As a founding member of the Thoroughbred Safety Coalition, the New York Racing Association is prepared to implement many of the reforms advocated by that group, but may wind up having more lenient rules regarding the whip than some members of the coalition.

While the Thoroughbred Safety Coalition has never put forward specific recommendations regarding use of the whip, some jurisdictions are ready to put in severe restrictions on its use. Woodbine just ended an experimental period in which jockeys were only allowed to strike their horses underhanded and the California Horse Racing Board is in the process of implementing rules that both limit the number of times a jockey can hit a horse and allow only for the underhand whipping motion. The New Jersey Racing Commission is eyeing a rule that would ban use of the whip in any form that is an attempt to make the horse run faster. **Cont. p4**

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Imperial Hint (Imperialism) and X Y Jet (Kantharos), two of the nation's swiftest sprinters, square off on a salty renewal of the GIII Mr. Prospector S. at Gulfstream Park Saturday.

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Dr. Mary Robinson, a University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine researcher and professor, discusses research on shockwave biomarkers and gene doping.

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Six races were downgraded from Grade II to Grade III in 2020: the Gazelle S. at Aqueduct; Pocahontas S. at Churchill Downs; Fasig-Tipton Holy Bull S. at Gulfstream Park; Monmouth S. at Monmouth Park; and Kona Gold S. and San Luis Rey S. at Santa Anita Park.

Six races were upgraded to Grade III status for 2020: the Belmont Turf Sprint Invitational S. and Runhappy S. at Belmont Park; Dogwood S. at Churchill Downs; Louisiana S. at Fair Grounds; Kitten's Joy S. at Gulfstream Park; and Challenger S. at Tampa Bay Downs.

Six races were downgraded from Grade III to listed status for 2020: the American Derby, Arlington Matron S. and Hanshin Cup S. at Arlington Park; All American S. at Golden Gate Fields; Hutcheson S. at Gulfstream Park; and Oceanport S. at Monmouth Park.

Thirty races were upgraded to listed status for 2020: the Aqueduct Turf Sprint Championship S. at Aqueduct; Flat Out S., Gold Fever S., Manila S., Paradise Creek S. and Point of Entry S. at Belmont Park; Bet on Sunshine S., Dream Supreme S. and Street Sense S. at Churchill Downs; Daisycutter S. at Del Mar; Cape Henlopen S. at Delaware Park; Ellis Park Derby, Kentucky Downs Preview Kentucky Turf Cup S. and Kentucky Downs Preview Turf Sprint S. at Ellis Park; Albert M. Stall Memorial S. and Tenacious S. at Fair Grounds; H. Allen Jerkens S., Janus S., Pulpit S., Tropical Park Oaks and Via Borghese S. at Gulfstream Park; Indian Summer S. at Keeneland; Kentucky Downs Juvenile Turf Sprint S. at Kentucky Downs; Concern S. and Willa On the Move S. at Laurel Park; She's All In S. at Remington Park; Unzip Me S. at Santa Anita Park; Columbia S. and Pelican S. at Tampa Bay Downs; and Lady Jacqueline S. at Thistledown. Two races were upgraded to Listed--Restricted status for 2020: the Lucky Coin S. and Tale of the Cat S. at Saratoga.

Twelve races were downgraded from listed to non-listed black-type status for 2020: the Ladies H. and Ruthless S. at Aqueduct; Arlington-Washington Lassie S. at Arlington Park; Bob Umphrey Turf Sprint S. at Gulfstream Park; Heft S. and Laurel Dash S. at Laurel Park; Senator Robert C. Byrd Memorial S. at Mountaineer Park; Turf Amazon S. at Parx Racing; Swatara S. at Penn National; Iowa Sprint H. at Prairie Meadows; David M. Vance S. at Remington Park; and Zia Park Championship H. at Zia Park.

The American St. Leger S. at Arlington Park; Miami Mile S., Old Hat S. and Sir Shackleton S. at Gulfstream Park; Donald Levine Memorial S. at Parx Racing; Mountainview S. at Penn National; and Arcadia S., Clocker's Corner S., Landaluce S., Los Angeles S., San Pedro S., Santa Anita Juvenile S. and Southern Truce S. at Santa Anita Park were not eligible for grading in 2020.

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NYRA cont. from p1

NYRA CEO and President David O'Rourke told the *TDN* that NYRA will likely make changes that are not as restrictive as what is being proposed elsewhere. Instead, the proposal now being considered is one that mirrors rules in Europe. In Great Britain, jockeys can use the whip a maximum of seven times during a race and must abide by a strict set of riding guidelines. For example, they can only raise their arm above their shoulder a maximum of two times.

"We are in midst of conversations with the appropriate parties on this," O'Rourke said. "It is sensitive. We see what California has done and what Woodbine has done. Over in Europe, they have been quite aggressive on this for a while. From our point of view, how do we take the best of each, but keep in mind the safety of the jocks? The whip is a communication tool with the horse and the jocks have been riding a specific way here for decades. There is a human safety element here when you try to change the rules on the fly. The idea will be what can we take from best practices internationally and adopt them and advocate for uniform rules in the U.S. These are rules that could progress further, but is something that the jockeys could accept."

O'Rourke added that he believes the whip most jockeys are now using is one that does not punish the horse.

"The 360 (Gentle Touch) whip that they are using, it's shocking," he said. "You can hit yourself against your hand with it and you see the difference between that and the standard crop. It really doesn't hurt, but it is loud. It makes a popping noise. We are trying to learn why they would need this whip, why are they using it, what is the safety aspect from the jocks' point of view? That's something you have to take into consideration."

We are completely dedicated to the safety of the equine athlete and there has been a lot of progress and a lot of dialogue that has been very encouraging. But we have to consider the human athletes as well and we have to make their safety a top, top priority."

So far as the other reforms the safety coalition is calling for, NYRA is prepared to implement rules that will curtail the use of Lasix. O'Rourke said NYRA will write into the conditions of races a ban on Lasix in 2-year-old races in 2020 and in 2-year-old races and stakes races in 2021.

"In New York, we're going to write it in the conditions that in 2020 2-year-olds won't run on Lasix and no one can use it in stakes starting in 2021," O'Rourke said. "We are currently working with the Gaming Commission on how they will test for this and regulate it in terms of what the penalties will be. We are on course to start the first phase of this in 2020." **Cont. p5**

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O'Rourke cont.

NYRA has made no commitments to medication reform beyond what is planned in 2020 and 2021, but O'Rourke hinted that there might be more to come. He said he personally likes the rules that are part of the International Federation of Horse Racing, which does not allow for race-day medication.



David O'Rourke | Coglianesse Photo

"I went to the IFHA conference in France in the fall," O'Rourke said. "This is just coming from David O'Rourke and not from the State of New York or anyone else, but I think there is significant value in our moving towards international standards."

While NYRA has not had to deal with the intense scrutiny racing in Southern California has faced this year, it was not immune from criticism. Animal rights protestors were a frequent sight this year at Saratoga. O'Rourke said that he is encouraged that the sport as a whole is headed in the right direction and ready to do its very best to ensure the safety of the horses and riders.

"We had a meeting of the coalition on Wednesday and it was very encouraging," he said. "There is, obviously, no league, so it has always been difficult to get everyone to work together and put everything aside and focus on one matter. What I see now is that the major players are coming to the table and the focus is on how do we run the game in the safest manner possible for everyone involved on the track. I think we're going to get a lot done. I have seen so much progress over last six months in terms of a uniform approach, an open dialogue and a consensus to act. We had a wake-up call and the call has worked."

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National Thoroughbred Racing Association Release

Horse trainers who utilize the H-2B guest worker visa program to fill various backstretch positions are expected to have increased access to H-2B visas as a result of language included in the 2020 spending bill passed by Congress this week and expected to be signed by the President Friday. The bill gives the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) the discretion to release additional visas above the statutory cap and also includes related labor provisions that have been in place for several years.

"Many horse trainers are unable to secure enough H-2B visas to fulfill their work force needs due to the limited availability of these visas," said NTRA President and Chief Executive Officer, Alex Waldrop. "This bill gives trainers a better chance to obtain the guest worker visas they need."

The H-2B nonimmigrant visa program allows U.S. employers who meet specific statutory and regulatory requirements to bring foreign nationals to the United States to fill temporary non-agricultural jobs. There is a statutory cap on the total number of foreign nationals who may be issued an H-2B visa or otherwise granted H-2B status during a fiscal year. Congress has set the H-2B cap at 66,000 per fiscal year, with a maximum of 33,000 available during the first half of any given fiscal year and 33,000 for workers who begin employment in the second half of the fiscal year. For the past several fiscal years demand for H-2B visas has far outpaced the supply, so many employers including trainers have been denied the H-2B visas they need to operate their businesses.

If the spending bill is passed, then for the fourth year in a row, Congress will delegate to the Secretary the authority to allocate visas above the 66,000 cap if the Secretary determines, after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, that the needs of American businesses could not be satisfied with U.S workers who are willing, qualified, and able to perform temporary nonagricultural labor. The bill would potentially increase the total number to 130,716 new and returning H-2B foreign temporary workers, according to DHS estimates.

Once signed into law, the NTRA legislative team, through its membership in the H-2B Workforce Coalition, will work with other industries such as hotel/hospitality, landscaping and seafood processing that also rely heavily on the H-2B visa program, to convince the Secretary to allocate the full number of visas authorized by the 2020 spending bill.

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by Alan Carasso

Most handicappers will view Saturday's GIII Mr. Prospector S. as a two-horse race between a pair of this country's top sprinters--**Imperial Hint** (Imperialism) and **X Y Jet** (Kantharos), winner of the race in 2015 and 2017. While they are clearly the standouts on class, they are each likely to be using the Mr. Prospector as a means to an end over a distance not optimal for either runner and that opens the door a bit--if ever so slightly.

Gary and Mary West's **Lasting Legacy** (Tapizar) could prove the chief beneficiary, assuming he classes up. Two-for-three under the care of Jason Servis as a 3-year-old in 2017, the chestnut was unplaced in two runs for Steve Asmussen last season. Returned to Servis's care this term, he is a perfect three-for-three, with determined Monmouth allowance scores in June and August ahead of a 1 1/2-length success in that track's version of the



Lasting Legacy | Equi-Photo

Mr. Prospector Sept. 28.

Imperial Hint turned in one of the more buzz-worthy performances of 2019 in winning the GI A. G. Vanderbilt S. at

Saratoga July 27, effortlessly besting **Diamond Oops** (Lookin At Lucky) and likely champion Mitole (Eskendereya) by four lengths. Ultra-game in defending his title in the GI Vosburgh S. Sept. 28, the 6-year-old was scratched out of the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint in early November, but has since trained brilliantly at Tampa. A good performance Saturday could send the Florida-bred to Saudi Arabia and/or Dubai in early 2020.

X Y Jet makes his first start since beating Imperial Hint soundly into third in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen

last March and a fourth trip to the desert in the last five years looms should he come back running. Whereas Imperial Hint has three wins at Saturday's trip under his belt, the speedy X Y Jet has yet to post a victory in three tries at seven-eighths of a mile.

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Q&A: UPENN'S MARY ROBINSON TALKS SHOCKWAVE AND GENE DOPING



Dr. Mary Robinson | UPenn

By Dan Ross

Earlier this month, researchers out of the University of Pennsylvania published a breakthrough study which identified several biomarkers associated with shockwave therapy. This study is the first of its kind to identify a possible biological signal revealing shockwave usage—an important development for a therapy that leaves no visible trace, but one that has historically generated welfare concerns due to its analgesic effects.

"Because it's not a drug—it's applied to the surface of the skin—it's just not an easy thing to detect," said lead researcher Mary Robinson, assistant professor of veterinary pharmacology and director of the Equine Pharmacology Laboratory at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, in a press release. "After a lot of trial and error, our study was able to measure changes in levels of five inflammatory factors, some of which we could detect up to three weeks after the shockwave therapy."

The study was conducted on ostensibly healthy horses. Robinson told the *TDN* that she and her colleagues will continue to research these biomarkers on other populations of racehorses, including injured horses, injured horses that have received shockwave therapy, and healthy horses in training. For this next step, researchers will dip into the university's large BioBank library of biological samples.

Robinson was also a co-author on a paper published in November proving "proof of principle," she said, that they were able to detect experimental gene therapy which had been administered via intra-articular injection. Gene doping and its performance enhancing potential is an emerging problem in horse racing.

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Robinson Q&A cont.

Broadly speaking, the term refers to the twin practices of gene editing--changing animal DNA before they're born--and gene therapy, which refers to the implantation of a piece of DNA into an adult animal to prevent or treat a disease or disorder.

In the following Q&A, Robinson discusses shockwave usage, the implications of her shockwave biomarker study, and her ongoing work in gene doping.

TDN: Can you discuss how the shockwave study was conducted?

MR: The study that was just published is looking at the effect of giving a single dose of shockwave to the front of the cannon bone to 11 healthy horses. What's really novel about this study is we could find changes in the blood that were reflective of these horses receiving shockwave therapy. The biobank is for the next steps--this initial study was more a proof of concept study.

Essentially, what we did, a week before shockwave was given, we took samples each day. After we gave the dose of shockwave, we then collected samples after that dose for up to three weeks. And we were able to see these changes occurring very rapidly, within 24 hours after the shockwave dose, and some of them lasted for up to three weeks.

What that tells me is we probably will need to follow horses out over time. And so, for each individual animal, in order to make these biomarkers make sense, we're going to need to know what their normal profile looks like, and then follow that out over time.

TDN: How did you end up narrowing in on those 10 select biomarkers (of which five indicated shockwave usage)?

MR: That was more a resource limitation than anything else. It's very difficult to do these types of studies on horses, and that maybe speaks to some of the challenges we face in identifying biomarkers. One of the difficult things is there just aren't the resources out there.

One of the ways we narrowed in on those 10 was to see which pro-inflammatory and anti-inflammatory proteins were similar between horses and humans, so that we might be able to use the resources available for humans to try to measure these things in horses. We spent quite a lot of time validating the methods that were used to make sure they would work for horses. And we chose pro and anti-inflammatory factors because we know shockwave causes a very acute inflammatory response. It increases the blood flow to the area.

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TDN: What's next in your research?

MR: As you mention, these were healthy horses--they did not have an injury. And we're looking at anti-inflammatory factors which you would maybe expect to be affected by an injury. We need to be able to look at what the effect of an injury is going to do to these factors, and then we need to look at what the effect of giving shockwave on top of that injury is going to do to those factors.

These horses were healthy, but they were not in any type of exercise regimen, so we also need to assess the effect of exercise on these factors--it's well documented that [biomarker] IL-6 that we identified is affected by exercise. So, we'll need to make sure that we take that into account.

TDN: When will you start?

MR: We've already started. We've been working on collecting these BioBank samples for several years now. It was just in the last year and a half that we've been able to quadruple the number of samples that we've collected because of the funding from the Horse Breeders Association. Within the next year, we're going to be starting to make some comparisons using the markers that we've now identified.

TDN: What can you tell us about the BioBank?

MR: The funding for the BioBank is from the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association. I was able to start the bank using some internal funds from the [University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine] New Bolton Center, and then the PHBA very generously donated money for us to expand the bank, which allowed us to hire an additional person, and get some more freezers, so that we can collect samples from horses at the racetrack and in training at various training facilities.



The New Bolton Center | UPenn



2019 in photos: July 23. Enable, the queen of Newmarket, makes her way home from Warren Hill. | Emma Berry

TDN: The BioBank primarily contains Thoroughbred samples, right?

MR: Yes, although we're actually going to be meeting with some other groups from the Standardbred industry to see if they would be interested in supporting it as well.

TDN: How soon before you possibly narrow in on certain shockwave biomarkers that can be used for regulatory purposes?

MR: I don't know that we'll ever be able to conclusively prove that shockwave had been administered. I think what we hope to do is identify instead biomarkers that suggest that there's something concerning going on in an individual horse. Whether those relate specifically to shockwave or whether those relate to a horse that has some underlying injury--that somebody's trying to cover up or somebody doesn't even know exists--that's what this **biological passport** hopes to do.

TDN: What are your general thoughts about shockwave usage for horses in training?

MR: Currently in Pennsylvania, we don't allow it on the backside of any of the tracks, and that really is because it's not something that we can detect currently. We do not want to have it risked being used too close to a race, and that's a problem with shockwave: it has a very strong analgesic effect, just as effective as the nerve block when it's used on an injury. The key is, it can be used as a therapeutic, but you have to absolutely rest the horse. You cannot run the horse shortly after it's received shockwave.

TDN: Do you agree with the Association of Racing Commissioners International's model rule requiring a 10-day stand-down, given what we currently know about the analgesic effect?

MR: I do. But there's only one study that's definitively shown that there's an analgesic affect. I think that they stopped around two days in that study, and it's not really clear whether that effect would have lasted longer or not. There's potential that it could have an analgesic effect for a longer period of time.

TDN: What are the implications of gene doping for horse racing?

MR: It's another new way to treat disease. Instead of having to give multiple doses, the whole point of gene therapy is you can give a single dose and have a more permanent treatment. So, when you think of it in that regard, the potential for using it illicitly to try to enhance performance is huge, because a single dose might be able to create a lasting effect. So, I do think it's a serious concern. It's been on the WADA [World Anti-Doping

Agency] anti-doping list since 2003. So, our human colleagues have certainly been concerned about it for quite some time.

TDN: Do things that go on in human athletics often makes their way into horse racing?

MR: We certainly have seen that pattern, although the reverse is possible. Some people may feel more comfortable experimenting with horses than with humans. Of course, cost always becomes an issue. But it's possible there are people with the means who are willing to try and win at all costs. So, that's what we're trying to prevent.

TDN: How big an issue is it currently for horse racing?

MR: It's really hard to know at this point. There certainly has been suspicion and discussion and talk about it. I have to say I was pretty skeptical that this was a problem until more recently. Now that the therapies are being approved in humans, they've accelerated the ability for people to actually develop these therapies, so, I think it's something we need to address as soon as possible as an industry.

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FORECASTED RAIN, BUT RACING SET FOR OPENING DAY AT SANTA ANITA

by Dan Ross

Though rain is forecast between this Sunday and opening day at Santa Anita, Dec. 26, racing that day is set to go ahead as scheduled, according to Aidan Butler, The Stronach Group (TSG)'s chief strategy officer.

"This morning, we got the updated weather radar, and it looks like Thursday's going to be good," said Butler, about a day of racing that includes the GI Malibu S. and the GI La Brea S.

"As long as the track surfaces are deemed safe by the track team, we're going to be good. It's just a bit of a moving target," Butler added. "The problem is, the weather out here can change on a dime. One minute you're good, the other you're not. But we're due a bit of luck, and hopefully the sun will be shining on us."

The issue of how the track juggles race dates amid stormy periods has been a prickly one since the winter-spring meet earlier this year, when a spike in equine fatalities at the facility coincided with a sustained period of intermittently wet weather.

Indeed, this is something the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Task Force, which investigated these fatalities, noted in their concluding report, [published Thursday](#): "issues arise in a track's consistency due to the complex decision making process when managing excess water and allowing the track to dry."

In recent months, Santa Anita management have repeatedly [mentioned](#) how they would take a cautionary approach to training and racing during periods of inclement weather. As a further salve, the California Horse Racing Board [back in August](#) voted to allow the track to carve out for this upcoming winter-spring meet a three-week (12 racing programs) "flex dates" break of no racing if the weather is deemed unsuitable.

"The intent of Santa Anita management and all the players here is to announce these things as early as possible to give the horsemen and the fans as much opportunity to understand what's going on," Butler said. "The earlier we can message things the earlier people can adapt."

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POSEIDON'S WARRIOR RELOCATING TO PENNSYLVANIA

by Steve Sherack

Grade I winner **Poseidon's Warrior** (Speightstown--Poised to Pounce, by Smarten), sire of GISW and millionaire Firenze Fire, is relocating to Equistar in Pennsylvania for the 2020 breeding season. He will command a stud fee of \$5,000.

Bred on the same cross as leading sire Smart Strike, the 11-year-old stood the 2019 breeding season at Darby Dan Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. He began his career at stud at Pleasant Acres Farm in Ocala, Florida.

Four-time graded winner and GI Champagne S. hero Firenze Fire hails from the first crop of Florida's leading freshman sire of 2017, who was the only first-year stallion to sire a Grade I-winning juvenile in North America that year. Poseidon's Warrior is also the sire of last year's betfair.com Long Branch S. winner Navy Commander and the multiple stakes-placed Splicethemainbrace.

Based in the Keystone State throughout his racing career with trainer Butch Reid, Jr., Poseidon's Warrior realized a career high carrying the colors of [Tom McGrath's Swilcan Stable](#) in the 2012 GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. at Saratoga. The \$90,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale graduate posted a record of 21-7-2-4 and earnings of \$701,147.

"We reached a deal that enabled us to bring him back home," McGrath, a native of Bristol, Pennsylvania, told *TDN*. "Having bred and raced Pa-breds myself, there's been a void left behind in Pennsylvania following the unfortunate passing of stallions Jump Start and El Padrino. It's been a tremendous ride with 'Poseidon,' and to see him go on to be a stallion and sire horses as talented as Firenze Fire has been really exciting. He'll have a tremendous opportunity to prove what he could do and we couldn't be more delighted to have him back home."

A stallion show and open house will be held at Equistar between 12-4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 18.

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KEENELAND 2020 SPRING STAKES WORTH \$4.8M

Keeneland's 2020 Spring Meet stakes schedule features 18 stakes, highlighted by the Apr. 4 \$1-million GII Toyota Blue Grass and the \$500,000 GI Central Bank Ashland S., and is worth a season record \$4.8 million in purse money. The 16-day meet opens Apr. 2 and runs through Apr. 26

Among the races getting purse increases are the GI Maker's 46 Mile, boosted by \$100,000 to \$400,000, and the GIII Baird Doubledogdare S. and Giant's Causeway S., each enhanced by \$50,000 to \$150,000.

"The opening of Keeneland's Spring Meet is one of those dates horsemen and fans alike annually circle on their calendars; it generates tremendous excitement given the depth of quality and competition," Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason said. "We are delighted to offer the purse increases, especially for the Maker's 46 Mile, which further emphasizes the race's significance among turf stars early in the season."

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In addition to the Classic preps on the Apr. 4 card, Keeneland will also host the GI Madison S., GII Shakertown S. and GIII Commonwealth S. The following day's card features the GII Appalachian S. and GIII Beaumont S. Other meet highlights include the Apr. 11 GI Coolmore Jenny Wiley S. and GIII Stonestreet Lexington S.

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**ARCI APPROVES 10 AMENDMENTS TO MODEL RULES**

At its most recent meeting in Tucson, AZ, the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI), approved 10 amendments to the Model Rules.

The Amendments approved are:

- Amendment to ARCI-011-020 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (E) which prohibits the administration of Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory medications to horses within 48 hours of a race
- Amendment to ARCI-011-020 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (F) wherein a horse is ineligible to race in a flat race for 14 days after an intra-articular joint injection
- Amendment to ARCI-010-030 HORSES INELIGIBLE (10) wherein any horse in flat or jump racing will be ineligible to race if it has received an intra-articular injection in the preceding 14 days and stacking is prohibited
- Amendment to ARCI-011-015 PROHIBITED PRACTICES by adding a new subsection prohibiting the use of bisphosphonates in any horse younger than 4. The bisphosphonates must be FDA approved, administered according to instructions, and only used to treat navicular disease
- Amendment to ARCI-011-020 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (B) by dramatically increasing penalties considered to be violations in "doping" and "equine endangerment"
- Amendment to ARCI-010-020 WEIGHTS by altering weight allowances for jockeys riding 3-year-olds facing older horses and for 3-year-old horses facing older horses

- Amendment to ARCI-011-015 PROHIBITED PRACTICES (6C), by adding subsection (D) outlining under which circumstances other than laboratory testing a horse's blood can be drawn and by adding subsection (F) prohibiting chemical or immunocastration
- Amendment to ARCI-004-024 (K) PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING by adding language to address wagering opportunities in races with three or more horses.

A proposed amendment to ARCI-010-035 RUNNING OF THE RACE--USE OF THE RIDING CROP (E) was referred to the Rider and Driver Safety Committee to be considered along with alternative proposals being submitted.

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BRICKS AND MORTAR WINS 2019 VOX POPULI

Klaravich Stables and William Lawrence's **Bricks and Mortar** (Giant's Causeway), whose perfect 5-year-old campaign could land him Horse of the Year honors, was voted the 2019 Secretariat *Vox Populi* Award winner in an online poll open to all fans. The award was created by Penny Chenery, owner of the great Secretariat, to recognize "the horse whose popularity and racing excellence best resounded with the general public and gained recognition for Thoroughbred racing."

The Chad Brown trainee, whose paternal grandsire Storm Cat was out of a Secretariat mare, won six of six this season, concluding with the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf last month. He was a Grade II winner at three, but made just one start late in 2018, **having overcome** a nearly career-ending case of stringhalt.

Bricks and Mortar will be honored during the annual *Vox Populi* Day at Santa Anita Jan. 11, which will also feature a poster giveaway and other events.

"The 2019 racing season offered varied and interesting stories of equine stars, and Bricks and Mortar was a standout among them," said Kate Chenery Tweedy, daughter of the late Penny Chenery and family historian. "Bricks and Mortar's comeback is a favorite plot in American sports lore--the return of a champion. We congratulate his connections and look forward to the presentation of the Secretariat *Vox Populi* Award trophy in January."

Added Klaravich principal Seth Klarman, "The well-being of all our horses is our primary concern. When Bricks and Mortar was injured, we wanted to give him whatever time he needed to have the best chance for a full recovery. And did he ever recover! We are grateful for the fans who voted for Bricks and Mortar, who is truly the horse of a lifetime."

For more information on the award, visit secretariat.com.

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TCA TO HONOR AUERBACH, NY RACE TRACK CHAPLAINCY

Thoroughbred Charities of America will present prominent owner/breeder Madeline Aurbach with the Allaire du Pont Leadership Award and the Race Track Chaplaincy - Metropolitan New York Division with the Ellen and Herb Moelis Industry Service Award at the 30th Annual Stallion Season Auction 'Tis the Season Celebration presented by LNJ Foxwoods on Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020 at Distillery Square at Grand Reserve in Lexington, KY.

“Our board has again selected two outstanding award recipients,” said Erin Crady executive director of TCA. “Madeline’s contributions to the welfare of Thoroughbreds and the Race Track Chaplaincy of New York’s programs for backstretch workers exemplify the spirit of these awards. We look forward to honoring our award recipients at our ‘Tis the Seasons Celebration in January.”

For more information on the event, and to purchase tickets, visit tca.org.

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TERF AWARDS \$10K TO MHIF

The Thoroughbred Education and Research Foundation (TERF) is pleased to award Maryland Horse Industry Foundation (MHIF) \$10,000 for educational purposes.

MHIF was chartered in 1988 by the Maryland Horse Breeders Association (MHBA) to serve various educational and charitable needs of the Maryland horse industry. MHIF supports a number of programs and is responsible for the maintenance and expansion of the Maryland Horse reference library.

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RISE UP TO STAND IN OREGON

Grade III winner **Rise Up** (Rockport Harbor--Appenzell, by Johannesburg) has been retired from racing and will stand stud in 2020 at Oregon’s Oakhurst Thoroughbreds as property of Lee and Connie Erickson.

The 8-year-old won 12 of his 49 starts and hit the board an additional 17 times for earnings of \$1,232,136. His six stakes victories were headlined by a win in the 2013 GIII Delta Downs Jackpot S.

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GISW **Complexity** (Maclean’s Music) was tabbed as a “TDN Rising Star”

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MR. PROSPECTOR S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 7f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | ML |
|----|----------------|-----------------|--|---------------|------------|------|
| 1 | Home Base | Street Sense | Patricia's Hope LLC | Tomlinson | Landeros | 20-1 |
| 2 | Imperial Hint | Imperialism | Raymond Mamone | Carvajal, Jr. | Castellano | 1-1 |
| 3 | X Y Jet | Kantharos | Rockingham Ranch, Gelfenstein Farm and David A Bernsen LLC | Navarro | Jaramillo | 7-5 |
| 4 | Zenden | Fed Biz | LLP Performance Horse, LLC | Pletcher | Velazquez | 15-1 |
| 5 | Lasting Legacy | Tapizar | West, Gary and Mary | Servis | Ortiz, Jr. | 6-1 |
| 6 | Diamond Oops | Lookin At Lucky | Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC, Amy Dunne, D P Racing LLC and Patrick L. Biancone Racing LLC | Biancone | Leparoux | 10-1 |

Breeders: 1-Christine Katherine Hayden, 2-Shade Tree Thoroughbreds Inc, 3-Didier Plasencia, 4-Brent Harris & Beth Harris, 5-Jack Swain III, 6-Kin Hui Racing Stables LLC



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for stallions standing in North America through Thursday, Dec. 19

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| Rank | Stallion | BTW | BTH | GSW | GSH | G1SW | G1SH | Starters | Wnrs | Highest Earner | Earnings |
|------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|----------|------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1 | American Pharoah <i>(2012) by Pioneerof the Nile FYR: 2017 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: Private</i> | 4 | 11 | 3 | 8 | -- | 3 | 62 | 21 | 692,500 | 2,516,493 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Four Wheel Drive | |
| 2 | Constitution <i>(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$40,000</i> | 4 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 60 | 26 | 347,000 | 2,037,892 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Tiz the Law | |
| 3 | Palace Malice <i>(2010) by Curlin FYR: 2017 Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$25,000</i> | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 58 | 19 | 709,500 | 1,724,880 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Structor | |
| 4 | Liam's Map <i>(2011) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$35,000</i> | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 42 | 16 | 329,500 | 1,412,829 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Wicked Whisper | |
| 5 | Tapiture <i>(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i> | 2 | 5 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 65 | 26 | 163,936 | 1,345,453 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Axiomo | |
| 6 | Competitive Edge <i>(2012) by Super Saver FYR: 2017 Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: \$12,500</i> | 4 | 6 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 49 | 22 | 219,308 | 1,274,040 |
| | | | | | | | | | | My Italian Rabbi | |
| 7 | Bayern <i>(2011) by Offlee Wild FYR: 2017 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$15,000</i> | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 49 | 21 | 107,112 | 1,265,105 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Tempers Rising | |
| 8 | Khozan <i>(2012) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2017 Stands: Journeyman Stud FL Fee: \$8,500</i> | 2 | 8 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 42 | 18 | 233,800 | 1,213,383 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Liam's Lucky Charm | |
| 9 | Wicked Strong <i>(2011) by Hard Spun FYR: 2017 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$6,000</i> | 1 | 4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 62 | 24 | 63,895 | 1,027,874 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Wicked Slider | |
| 10 | Summer Front <i>(2009) by War Front FYR: 2017 Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$10,000</i> | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 48 | 16 | 146,862 | 928,031 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Fighting Seabee | |
| 11 | Tonalist <i>(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$15,000</i> | 1 | 4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 45 | 15 | 98,280 | 844,463 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Tonalist's Shape | |
| 12 | Carpe Diem <i>(2012) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2017 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$15,000</i> | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 48 | 14 | 81,140 | 814,334 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Bella Aurora | |
| 13 | Fast Anna <i>(2011) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2017 Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: \$10,000</i> | 3 | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 37 | 10 | 211,280 | 784,305 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Been Studying Her | |
| 14 | Honor Code <i>(2011) by A.P. Indy FYR: 2017 Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: \$30,000</i> | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 39 | 13 | 75,294 | 723,617 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Corsi | |
| 15 | Race Day <i>(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$7,500</i> | 4 | 5 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 31 | 12 | 120,448 | 712,566 |
| | | | | | | | | | | Josie | |

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PLETCHER UNVEILS PRICEY CARPE DIEM

By Christie DeBernardis



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6th-GP, \$50K, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 2:30 p.m. ET

Todd Pletcher saddles \$550,000 KEESEP buy **CARPE OMNIOUS (Carpe Diem)** in this debut. The bay, the most expensive of his sire's 73 first-crop yearlings sold in 2018, boasts a series of bullet drills leading up to this unveiling, including a five-panel move in 1:01 2/5 (1/4) at Palm Beach Downs Dec. 16. His dam is a half to English Highweight Lucky Story (Kris S.) and G1SW Dr Fong (Kris S.). Pletcher sends out another first timer in **Texas Swing (Curlin)**. The \$275,000 KEESEP purchase is out of a full-sister to MGISW sire Colonel John (Tiznow) and the dam of GSW & MGISP 'TDN Rising Star' Comical (Into Mischief). Kiaran McLaughlin saddles a newcomer for Godolphin in **Spa City (Street Sense)**, who is a son of MGSW Sara Louise (Malibu Moon). **TJCIS PPs**





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EXPENSIVE CURLIN DEBUTS IN NOLA

8th-FG, \$45K, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 4:23 p.m.

Frank Fletcher went to \$525,000 to acquire **F F ROCKET (Curlin)** at OBS April after he breezed in :10 2/5 and he makes his career bow in this test. His dam is MGSP Mekong Delta (Stormy Atlantic), a full-sister to Canadian champion Leonnatus Anteus. **TJCIS PPs**

MR. MONOMOY LOOKS TO FOLLOWS UP ON 'RISING STAR' DEBUT

13th-FG, \$46K, Opt. Clm. (\$50K), 2yo, 1m 70yds, 6:48 p.m.

MR. MONOMOY (Palace Malice) looks to build on his 'TDN Rising Star'-worthy graduation last out as he faces winners for the first time here. Rallying from well back to be fourth in his six-panel unveiling at Keeneland Oct. 19, the \$60,000 KEENOV buy romped by 5 1/2 lengths next out sprinting at Churchill Downs Nov. 16 and tries two turns for the first time here. The bay is a half-brother to champion Monomoy Girl (Tapizar). **TJCIS PPs**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 1:58 p.m. EDT

LETELLIER MEMORIAL S., \$75,000, 2yo, f, 6f

| PP HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------|------|
| 1 Street Flyer | Street Sense | Cohen | Chapman | 10-1 |
| 2 Taraz | Into Mischief | Geroux | Cox | 2-1 |
| 3 Gee She Sparkles | Race Day | Sorenson | Pish | 9-2 |
| 4 Sweet Kisses | Carpe Diem | Bridgmohan | Englehart | 7-2 |
| 5 Halama | Pioneerof the Nile | Lanerie | Walsh | 5-1 |
| 6 Ursula | Tapit | Murrill | Stidham | 3-1 |

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 5:21 p.m. EDT

SUGAR BOWL S., \$75,000, 2yo, 6f

| PP HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|-------------------|----------------|---------|------------|-----|
| 1 Shashashakemeup | Shackleford | Graham | Desormeaux | 5-2 |
| 2 Gold Street | Street Boss | Santana | Asmussen | 2-1 |
| 3 Ryan's Cat | Kitten's Joy | Cohen | Chapman | 5-1 |
| 4 Amongst | Into Mischief | Geroux | Cox | 9-2 |
| 5 Self Taught | Shanghai Bobby | Mena | Stall | 6-1 |
| 6 Axiomo | Tapiture | Lanerie | Maker | 5-1 |

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 6:19 p.m. EDT

TENACIOUS S., \$75,000, 3yo/up, 1m 70yds

| PP HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|---------------------|------------------|------------|----------|------|
| 1 Lone Sailor | Majestic Warrior | Graham | Amoss | 6-1 |
| 2 Blended Citizen | Proud Citizen | Geroux | Cox | 5-1 |
| 3 Extirpator | Gemologist | Guerrero | Turner | 30-1 |
| 4 Pioneer Spirit | Malibu Moon | Cohen | Diodoro | 3-1 |
| 5 Tenfold | Curlin | Santana | Asmussen | 8-1 |
| 6 C Z Rocket | City Zip | Borel | Stall | 7-2 |
| 7 Tringale | Flat Out | Murrill | Davis | 12-1 |
| 8 Ballard High | Flat Out | Hernandez | Stewart | 10-1 |
| 9 M G Warrior | Majestic Warrior | Bridgmohan | Cox | 10-1 |
| 10 Captivating Moon | Malibu Moon | Lanerie | Block | 8-1 |



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Gulfstream, \$40,700, Alw, 12-20, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:22.11, ft.

NONNA MADELINE (f, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}--Cool Storm, by Storm Cat), a half-sister to Nonna Mela (Arch), GSW, \$286,670, earned her 'TDN Rising Star' badge defeating future champion Jaywalk (Cross Traffic) by 3 1/4 lengths in her Monmouth unveiling during her 2-year-old season last June. Last year's GIII Schuylerville S. runner-up hadn't been heard from since finishing a distant fifth behind the aforementioned talented gray in the GI Frizette S. at Belmont last October. The comebacking 4-5 favorite broke on top despite a stumbling start and led them every step en route to an impressive 5 3/4-length decision. Gorgeous in Rags (Union Rags) was second. Cool Storm, an unraced full-sister to GISW Bluegrass Cat, produced a colt by Super Saver in 2018 and a filly by that sire this year. She was bred back to Bee Jersey. Cool Storm, a \$1-million KEESEP yearling, brought \$800,000 from R.J. Bennett at the 2016 FTKNOV Sale. Sales history: \$130,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-2-1-0, \$105,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Teresa Viola Racing Stables & St. Elias Stable; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.



9th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 12-20, 2yo, 1m, 1:35.07, ft.

ETE INDIEN (c, 2, Summer Front--East India, by Mizzen Mast), a narrow come-from-behind debut winner sprinting on grass here Sept. 13, entered off an eighth-place finish in Keeneland's GIII Dixiana Bourbon S. Oct. 6. Making his first attempt on dirt here, the rail-drawn 14-1 shot vied for early command from the inside through a sharp opening quarter in :22.92, hit the gas on the far turn, and, despite racing greenly down the stretch, wasn't for catching. It was 2 1/2 lengths back to heavily favored Toledo (Into Mischief) in second. East India had a colt by Air Force Blue in 2018 and a filly by Runhappy in 2019. She was bred back to Collected. Sales history: \$85,000 RNA Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$80,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; €240,000 2yo '19 ARQMA. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$48,556. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Lina Shanahan, Sanford Bacon, Dream With Me Stable, Inc., Horse France America, D P Racing LLC & Patrick L. Biancone Racing LLC; B-Robert B. Tillyer & Eric Buckley (KY); T-Patrick L. Biancone.



5th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 12-20, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:38.12, gd.

MICHELINE (f, 2, Bernardini--Panty Raid {MGISW, \$1,052,380}, by Include) earned her diploma in the grassy Sorority S. at Monmouth Park Sept. 1, then switched to dirt with a well-beaten ninth with first-time Lasix in the GI Darley Alcibiades S. at Keeneland Oct. 4. She was last seen finishing eighth in the Chelsey Flower S. at Aqueduct Nov. 3. Adding blinkers here, the 3-5 favorite raced in sixth through a half mile in :48.84. She began to launch between horses as they straightened for home and came charging down the outside in the stretch to defeat Summer Clothes (Summer Front) by a length. Panty Raid brought \$2.5 million from John Ferguson on behalf of Sheikh Mohammed's operation at the 2008 FTKNOV Sale. She is also represented by a Tapit colt of 2018. Lifetime Record: SW, 5-2-0-1, \$84,733. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Michael Stidham.



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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

American Pharoah (Pioneer of the Nile), Ashford Stud, \$100,000
162 foals of racing age/26 winners/4 black-type winners
1-Gulfstream, Msw 5fT, DON'T TASE ME BRO, 4-1
\$160,000 KEE SEP yrl

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000
95 foals of racing age/22 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Laurel, Msw 1 1/16m, LIAM'S FIRE, 3-1
\$75,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS OPN 2yo
6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, SIR KAHN, 15-1
\$18,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$65,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$85,000 RNA OBS
APR 2yo; \$28,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$25,000
124 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, CARPE OMNIOUS, 3-1
\$550,000 KEE SEP yrl
3-Fair Grounds, \$75K Letellier Memorial S., 6f, SWEET KISSES,
7-2
\$170,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$290,000 FTK OCT yrl

Competitive Edge (Super Saver), Ashford Stud, \$7,500
111 foals of racing age/25 winners/4 black-type winners
6-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, SUPER LEGS, 20-1
\$7,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; \$3,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$27,000 OBS OPN
2yo

Daredevil (More Than Ready), WinStar Farm, \$7,500
81 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16mT, DYNAMO KID, 20-1
\$50,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$52,000 FTK OCT yrl
8-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, RED HOT DEVIL, 30-1
6-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, SHI O'SHI, 12-1
\$105,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$50,000 FTK OCT yrl
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, SYL THE TOMCAT, 8-1

Global Power (Pulpit)
3 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, POWERS OUT, 7-2

Honor Code (A.P. Indy), Lane's End Farm, \$40,000
111 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners

4-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16m, CAVALRY CHARGE, 5-1
\$375,000 FTS AUG yrl
9-Laurel, Msw 1 1/16m, SECURITY BREACH, 2-1

Imagining (Giant's Causeway), Anchor & Hope Farm, \$7,500
54 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Laurel, Msw 1 1/16m, MARKET MOVER, 10-1
\$2,500 EAS OCT yrl
6-Parx Racing, Aoc 6f, MONDAY MORNING QB, 3-5
\$25,000 EAS OCT yrl

Last Gunfighter (First Samurai), Pin Oak Lane Farm
24 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
6-Penn National, Msw 5f, VISHNU, 15-1

Lea (First Samurai), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500
72 foals of racing age/8 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, UNCONQUERED LEA, 7-2
\$70,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Liam's Map (Unbridled's Song), Lane's End Farm, \$20,000
114 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Laurel, Msw 1 1/16m, DREAMS OF YVONNE, 12-1
13-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, LYNN'S MAP, 9-2
\$270,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$285,000 OBS APR 2yo
6-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, READYFORMYCLOSEUP, 8-1
\$130,000 OBS APR 2yo
8-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, WARRIOR'S MAP, 8-1

Moonshine Mullin (Albert the Great), Lake Hamilton Equine
Center, \$1,000
19 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Hawthorne, Msw 5 1/2f, MOONSHINE MOMENT, 12-1

Normandy Invasion (Tapit), Pin Oak Lane Farm, \$3,500
52 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Aqueduct, Msw 6 1/2f, BELLA INVASION, 15-1
\$4,700 KEE JAN wnl; \$15,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$9,000 EAS MAY
2yo

Palace (City Zip), Spendthrift Farm, \$6,000
87 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Delta Downs, Msw 6 1/2f, GRACE FOREVER, 20-1
\$20,000 OBS OCT yrl
3-Hawthorne, \$50K Jim Edgar Illinois Juvenile S., 6 1/2f,
PALAGO, 6-1

Palace Malice (Curlin), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000
123 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners

13-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, MR. MONOMOY, 3-1
\$60,000 KEE NOV wnl

Pataky Kid (Rockport Harbor), Swifty Farms, \$1,500
3 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, MYERS TIGER, 12-1

Race Day (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, \$6,000
96 foals of racing age/14 winners/4 black-type winners
3-Fair Grounds, \$75K Letellier Memorial S., 6f, GEE SHE SPARKLES, 9-2
\$8,500 TTA MIX yrl
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, IT'S A MANS WORLD, 2-1
1-Mahoning Valley, Msw 6f, TAPAWAY, 10-1
\$5,000 KEE JAN wnl
6-Hawthorne, Msw 5 1/2f, WILD WES, 5-1
\$10,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$39,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Sky Kingdom (Empire Maker), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000
49 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16m, IN SKY WE TRUST, 9-2

Summer Front (War Front), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
97 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
13-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, NOMO D'ORO, 12-1
\$47,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$52,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
123 foals of racing age/26 winners/2 black-type winners
10-Fair Grounds, \$75K Sugar Bowl S., 6f, AXIOMO, 5-1
\$20,000 FTK OCT yrl
1-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, BEAUTIFUL TRAUMA, 4-1
\$35,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$150,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$190,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo
1-Gulfstream, Msw 5fT, RALSTON, 6-1

Tonalist (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000
97 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, ALTA'S AWARD, 6-1
4-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16m, STRIKE APPEAL, 7-2
\$70,000 KEE NOV wnl

Wicked Strong (Hard Spun), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500
130 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Fair Grounds, Aoc 1m, EVIL LYN, 5-1
\$60,000 KEE SEP yrl
5-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16mT, WICKED WORRY, 15-1
\$140,000 KEE SEP yrl

Wicked Tune (Concorde's Tune)
5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Gulfstream, Msw 5fT, DISCREET TUNE, 10-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, DEC. 21

Arcade (Tale of the Cat), Smokey Creek Farm, \$1,000
6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Hawthorne, \$50K Jim Edgar Illinois Juvenile S., 6 1/2f, RIP IT RYAN, 5-1

Atreides (Medaglia d'Oro), River Oaks Farm, \$5,000
102 foals of racing age/29 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, Msw 6f, PAUL WITH ALL, 8-1

Boisterous (Distorted Humor), Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, \$5,000
86 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 5 1/2f, HANNAH'S BOISTER, 5-2

Cameo Appearance (Majestic Warrior), Red River Farms, \$1,500
21 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Delta Downs, Msw 6 1/2f, WHAT'S MY DOIN, 4-1
\$3,200 ESL MIX wnl

Central Banker (Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$7,500
135 foals of racing age/49 winners/4 black-type winners
5-Parx Racing, Msw 6f, HELENE JACQUELINE, 12-1
\$35,000 SAR AUG yrl

Fed Biz (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$10,000
187 foals of racing age/64 winners/5 black-type winners
3-Hawthorne, \$50K Jim Edgar Illinois Juvenile S., 6 1/2f, MIND YOUR OWN BIZ, 1-1
10-Gulfstream, \$100K GIII Mr. Prospector S., 7f, ZENDEN, 15-1
\$7,500 KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 OBS OPN 2yo



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Flashback (Tapit), Diamond B Farm, \$3,500
 177 foals of racing age/43 winners/1 black-type winner
 3-Mahoning Valley, Msw 5 1/2f, VERA'S SMART TRIP, 12-1
 \$11,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Fort Loudon (Awesome of Course), Ocala Stud, \$2,500
 15 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 6-Gulfstream, Msw 6f, SHOW NO MERCY, 10-1

Palmy Bay (Lydgate)
 9 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Delta Downs, Msw 6 1/2f, TWN PALMYSDESTINY, 12-1

Seville (Ger) (Galileo {Ire}), Heritage Stallions
 119 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners
 6-Penn National, Msw 5f, LACCO AMENO, 10-1

Uncaptured (Lion Heart), Kor, \$6,000
 143 foals of racing age/43 winners/5 black-type winners
 5-Parx Racing, Msw 6f, PLAY BY PLAY, 4-1

Verrazano (More Than Ready), Haras Old Friends, \$15,000
 269 foals of racing age/90 winners/5 black-type winners
 6-Hawthorne, Msw 5 1/2f, DURITZ, 15-1
 \$32,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$17,000 FTK FEB wnl



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Aqueduct, \$86,182, (S), 12-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.27, ft.
KEPT TRUE (f, 3, Yes It's True--Well Kept {MSP, \$222,400}, by Henny Hughes) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-4-1-1, \$218,834.
 O-Treadway Racing Stable; B-Jeffrey Treadway (NY); T-Leah Gyarmati.

Hidden Brook Raised & Florida Graduate

7th-Turfway, \$47,130, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 12-19, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:11.80, ft.

JOKER ON JACK (g, 2, Declaration of War--Aventure Love {Fr} {MSP-Fr, \$161,406}, by Orpen) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$79,888. O-Ice Wine Stable; B/T-Wesley Ward (KY).



7th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, (S), 12-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.30, ft.

HAVE NO FEAR (f, 3, Cameo Appearance--Time Well Spent {MSP, \$112,040}, by Storm and a Half) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$71,060. O-Ten Strike Racing & Raquel Ritchie; B-Scrivener Stables (LA); T-Matt A. Shirer.

8th-Fair Grounds, \$41,000, 12-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.62, fm.

STRIKE MY FANCY (f, 4, Smart Strike--Sure Peg, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 14-2-0-1, \$61,203. O-Teresa & David J. Palmer; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Matt A. Shirer. *\$95,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$105,000 Ylg '16 FTKOCT.



3rd-Gulfstream, \$40,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 12-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.05, ft.

MIDTOWN ROSE (f, 3, Gary D--Uno Royale, by Macho Uno) Lifetime Record: 13-5-4-1, \$185,820. O-Damon Ming; B-Dynasty Thoroughbreds (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.

7th-Delta Downs, \$38,720, 12-19, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:20.36, ft.

BEST KEPT SECRET (f, 3, Line of David--Secretsoftheheart {SW, \$166,270}, by Put It Back) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-1, \$106,378. O-Tracy Hersman; B-Flying H Stables, LLC (KY); T-Benard Chatters. *1/2 to Bree's Got Heart (Colonel John), MSP, \$247,495.

2nd-Delta Downs, \$37,120, 12-19, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 7 1/2f, 1:33.96, ft.

GOLD BUYER (g, 3, My Golden Song--Most Magic, by Magic Cat) Lifetime Record: MSP, 16-3-4-1, \$89,392. O-Mike Powers; B-Douglas Scharbauer (TX); T-Tracy A. Norris. *\$37,000 RNA 2yo '18 TTAAPR. **Full to Better Than Magic, MSP, \$159,350.

6th-Penn National, \$29,120, 12-19, (NW1X), 3/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.68, ft.

BROOKS ROBINSON (g, 4, Not For Love--Lovely Rose B, by In Case) Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-0, \$99,453. O/B-Mary B. Boskin (MD); T-Demelza McMahan.

1st-Penn National, \$28,000, 12-19, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03.00, ft.

ZIRA (f, 3, Verrazano--Cherie's A. P., by A. P. Warrior) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-0, \$69,270. O/B-Matthew Schera (KY); T-James L. Lawrence, II. *\$52,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTKOCT; \$12,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN.

8th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,750, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 12-20, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.10, ft.

ZORB (g, 3, Orb--Bacchanal Lady, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-1, \$53,693. O-Raroma Stable; B-Rajendra Maharajh (KY); T-David Fisher.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Glory Dia, f, 2, Dialed In--Barb's Glory, by Sun King. Gulfstream, 12-20, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:17.34. B-Michael D O'Rorke (KY). *\$32,000 RNA Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$7,500 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$18,000 RNA 2yo '19 OBSOPN.

Miss Important, f, 2, Graydar--Sudden Ghost (SW), by Ghostzapper. Turfway, 12-19, 1m (AWT), 1:41.06. B-Wynnstay LLC & Jay McKee (KY). *\$7,000 RNA Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$210,000 2yo '19 EASMAV.

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Sydster, g, 2, Power Broker--Tensas Salt (SP), by Salt Lake. Fair Grounds, 12-20, (S), 1mT, 1:37.86. B-J. Adcock & Montgomery Equine Center (LA). *\$2,500 RNA Ylg '18 ESLYRL; \$23,000 2yo '19 EQL2YO. **1/2 to Is Too (Midshipman), MSW, \$191,240.

Noble Way, g, 3, Noble Mission--Island Bound (GSW, \$277,790), by Speightstown. Laurel, 12-20, (WC), 7f, 1:22.95. B-Robert Manfuso & Katharine M. Voss (MD).

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Freaky Styley, c, 3, Scat Daddy--Cinco de Mayo Mio (SP, \$128,326), by El Corredor. Aqueduct, 12-20, (S), 1m, 1:40.03. B-West Point Thoroughbreds Inc. & 3C Stables, LLC (NY).

Island Cadger, g, 3, Trinniberg--Seahag, by Cashel Castle. Charles Town, 12-19, (S), 4 1/2f, :52.61. B-Gary William Carter (WV).



BERNARDINI, Micheline, f, 2, o/o Panty Raid, by Include. AOC, 12-20, Tampa Bay

CAMEO APPEARANCE, Have No Fear, f, 3, o/o Time Well Spent, by Storm and a Half. ALW, 12-20, Fair Grounds

CANDY RIDE (ARG), Nonna Madeline, f, 3, o/o Cool Storm, by Storm Cat. ALW, 12-20, Gulfstream

DECLARATION OF WAR, Joker On Jack, g, 2, o/o Aventure Love (Fr), by Orpen. AOC, 12-19, Turfway

DIALED IN, Glory Dia, f, 2, o/o Barb's Glory, by Sun King. MCL, 12-20, Gulfstream

GARY D, Midtown Rose, f, 3, o/o Uno Royale, by Macho Uno. AOC, 12-20, Gulfstream

GRAYDAR, Miss Important, f, 2, o/o Sudden Ghost, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 12-19, Turfway

LINE OF DAVID, Best Kept Secret, f, 3, o/o Secretsoftheheart, by Put It Back. ALW, 12-19, Delta Downs

MY GOLDEN SONG, Gold Buyer, g, 3, o/o Most Magic, by Magic Cat. ALW, 12-19, Delta Downs

NOBLE MISSION (GB), Noble Way, g, 3, o/o Island Bound, by Speightstown. WMC, 12-20, Laurel

NOT FOR LOVE, Brooks Robinson, g, 4, o/o Lovely Rose B, by In Case. ALW, 12-19, Penn National

ORB, Zorb, g, 3, o/o Bacchanal Lady, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 12-20, Tampa Bay

POWER BROKER, Sydster, g, 2, o/o Tensas Salt, by Salt Lake. MSW, 12-20, Fair Grounds

SCAT DADDY, Freaky Styley, c, 3, o/o Cinco de Mayo Mio, by El Corredor. MSW, 12-20, Aqueduct

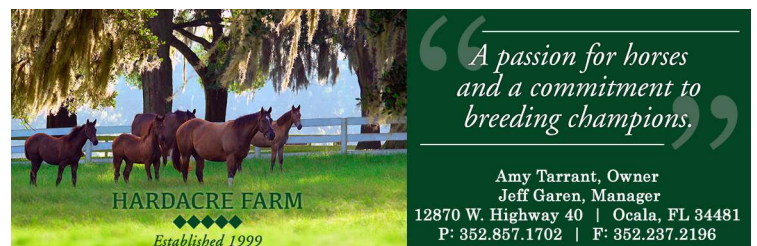
SMART STRIKE, Strike My Fancy, f, 4, o/o Sure Peg, by Arch. ALW, 12-20, Fair Grounds

SUMMER FRONT, Ete Indien, c, 2, o/o East India, by Mizzen Mast. AOC, 12-20, Gulfstream

TRINNIBERG, Island Cadger, g, 3, o/o Seahag, by Cashel Castle. MSW, 12-19, Charles Town

VERRAZANO, Zira, f, 3, o/o Cherie's A. P., by A. P. Warrior. ALW, 12-19, Penn National

YES IT'S TRUE, Kept True, f, 3, o/o Well Kept, by Henny Hughes. ALW, 12-20, Aqueduct



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