HORSE OF THE DECADE? IT WAS AMERICAN PHAROAH

by Bill Finley

More than just a year ended Tuesday. The sport says goodbye not just to 2019, but to an entire decade, one filled with tremendous highs (two Triple Crown winners) and tremendous lows (2019’s fatalities at Santa Anita). To mark the occasion, we submit our winners in random group of categories, celebrating the very best of the 2010’s.

HORSE OF THE DECADE: AMERICAN PHAROAH

American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) came about at a time when many had all but given up on there ever being another Triple Crown winner. It had been 37 years since it was last done, by Affirmed, and the ensuing years had swallowed up 13 horses that had won the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. but, for one reason or another, couldn’t complete the job in the GI Belmont S. How and why did so many lose at Belmont Park? Was it because no horse in the modern era could possibly put together three A+ efforts in the span of five weeks, the last of them coming at a distance well beyond the comfort range of most horses?

Some even suggested that the Triple Crown had to be changed. The races needed to be shorter and spaced further apart. Call it the Triple Crown Lite. What a terrible idea.

The Triple Crown roared back to life during the decade, with not just one, but two winners. American Pharoah did it in 2015 and Justify (Scat Daddy) swept the series in 2018. Cont. p3

INDEPENDENCE HALL LOOMS LARGE IN JEROME

Leading newly turned sophomore Independence Hall (Constitution) is an overwhelming 1-5 morning line favorite in Wednesday’s Jerome S. at Aqueduct, which carries with it 10 qualifying points for the 2020 GI Kentucky Derby. A 4 3/4-length debut winner at Parx Sept. 21, the Mike Trombetta trainee annexed the track-and-trip GIII Nashua S. Nov. 3 by 12 1/4 lengths, good for a 101 Beyer Speed Figure, the fastest run by a 2-year-old last term. Second choice on the morning line is New York-bred Bourbon Bay (Bayern). A narrow runner-up in his sprint unveiling Nov. 11, he broke through emphatically in another restricted and abbreviated affair here Dec. 5. Prince of Pharoahs (American Pharoah), also bred in the Empire State, was last seen airing by five lengths going a mile at Belmont Oct. 13 in his second attempt. See field p7

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TWINS WIN NINE WEEKS APART

Twins Catch Ya Later Bro (Fury Kapcori) and Twin Turbo have both broken their maidens this year as juveniles. Bill Finley talks to their breeder Craig Wheeler and the twins’ respective connections for more on the improbable story.

2019 in Photos: August 26. Horses train at sunrise on Saratoga’s misty Oklahoma training track. | Sarah Andrew

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Finley’s Best of the Decade cont. from p1

Both are Triple Crown winners, but American Pharoah’s accomplishments were the more impressive of the two. He was the one who broke the long drought and made the sport believe once again that a really, really special horse would come along and could in fact conquer the sport’s biggest challenge. And, of the two, American Pharoah had by far the more complete career. He won two Grade I’s at two and was that year’s champion juvenile colt. He stayed in training after the Triple Crown, winning the GI Haskell Invitational S. and the GI Breeders’ Cup Classic. As brilliant as he was, Justify’s career lasted just 111 days, from the time he broke his maiden until he was retired after winning the Belmont.

TURF HORSE: WISE DAN

Only one grass horse was named Horse of the Year during the decade, and that was Wise Dan (Wiseman’s Ferry). He earned the sport’s highest honor in both 2012 and 2013, a period during which he lost just twice and won back-to-back runnings of the GI Breeders’ Cup Mile. After winning the 2014 GI Shadwell Turf Mile S. at Keeneland, he retired with a career record of 23 for 31, with 20 stakes wins and earnings in excess of $7.5 million. He won nine Grade I races, including the 2011 GI Clark H. on the dirt.

A very good horse who had, by modern standards, a lengthy, full career.
TRAINER: BOB BAFFERT
Bob Baffert won only one Eclipse Award as the nation’s top trainer, which came in 2015, American Pharoah’s Triple Crown year, during the decade. But when you consider that there were two Triple Crown winners during the 2010’s and he trained both of them, Baffert is a fairly obvious pick as the outstanding trainer of the decade.

In most any other decade, this honor would have gone to Chad Brown. If he wins the Eclipse as the nation’s top trainer in 2019, which is likely, he will have won the award four straight years.

Brown is young and has an insatiable appetite for success. He could easily win 18 of the next 20 Eclipse Awards in the trainers category. But what Baffert did is rare and special and deserving of this honor.

JOCKEY: JAVIER CASTELLANO
The champion jockey in 2010, 2011 and 2012, Ramon Dominguez dominated the early part of the decade and looked to be well on his way to being the top rider of his era. That all ended in 2013 when he was forced to retire after suffering head injuries in a spill early in the year at Aqueduct.

That paved the way for Javier Castellano to take over. A top rider throughout the decade, he won the Eclipse four straight years, from 2013 through 2016. The Ortiz brothers took over in 2017, with Jose winning the title, followed by brother Irad in 2018. Irad Ortiz Jr. will likely repeat in 2019, but neither Ortiz Brother was around for enough of the decade to merit serious consideration for this award.

“As we welcome 2020, the anticipation of Oscar Performance foals is great. He was an exceptional racehorse, exudes class and has every opportunity to leave a lasting impression as a stallion.

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FILLY OR MARE: BEHOLDER

The decade started off with back-to-back fillies being named Horse of the Year, Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) in 2010 and Havre de Grace (Saint Liam) in 2011. For both, though, those were the only years during the decade where they had standout campaigns.

Beholder (Henny Hughes) may not have been as talented as Zenyatta or Havre de Grace, but no filly or mare had a more complete run during the decade. She was champion 2-year-old filly in 2012, champion 3-year-old filly in 2013 and champion older mare in 2015 and 2016. She ended her career with what very well might have been the race of the decade, the 2016 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff, in which she beat Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro) by a nose.

RACETRACK: GULFSTREAM PARK

There may not be an Eclipse category for racetracks, but that doesn't mean that one shouldn't be recognized.

At the beginning of the decade, Gulfstream was a top track but not nearly the juggernaut that it has become. The annual "Championship Meet" now rivals Saratoga as the most prestigious and popular meet in the country. The GI Florida Derby is, arguably, the single most important prep on the calendar for the GI Kentucky Derby. Gulfstream was ahead of the pack when recognizing how popular grass racing was with the bettors, oftentimes carding seven or eight grass races a day.

There is no certainty that the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational will survive the next decade, but in the 2010’s it was a welcome innovation, a race won by superstars and one that kept a couple of horses around for one more start after they otherwise would have been retired to stud after the Breeders' Cup.
Gulfstream Park cont.

With Calder being operated by indifferent management, Gulfstream executives, led by Tim Ritvo, saw the need to bolster year-round racing in Florida and successfully transitioned Gulfstream into a track that runs during the summer and for 10 months a year. And once Gulfstream management took over the racing operation at Calder/Gulfstream Park West, handle soared at South Florida’s other racetrack.

WORST STORY: THE SANTA ANITA FATALITIES

No need to rehash the details here. Let’s just hope that 2020 is the year in which racing heads back in the right direction, proving to its critics that safety is its number one concern and being able to back that up with numbers that reflect a far lower rate of fatal accidents.

BEST STORY: AFTERCARE

One Thoroughbred going to slaughter is one too many and the sport has yet to wipe out a practice that is a blight on its name. But the 2010’s were a decade when the industry made larger strides than ever before when it comes to eliminating this problem.

The days of sweeping the issue under the rug disappeared. There is hardly a track left that doesn't have a no slaughter policy on the books whereby any trainer caught sending a horse to the "killers" is banned. The decade also marked the formation of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, which was formed in 2012. The TAA has increased the awareness of the slaughter issue and given the movement a badly needed umbrella organization.
Finley cont.

Some horses may still slip between the cracks, but the number of ex-race horses that show up at these seedy sales where people buy the animal for their meat is a fraction of what it used to be.

There’s more work to be done, but the sport as a whole deserves credit for making major and meaningful changes in this area during the decade.

SEEING DOUBLE: 2-YEAR-OLD TWINS REACH WINNER’S CIRCLE NINE WEEKS APART

by Bill Finley

When it became clear that his broodmare Andrea Gail (Storm Bird) would deliver twins in 2017, Florida horseman Craig Wheeler was understandably upset. Having already produced a Grade III winner, Andrea Gail was among the more valuable mares on Wheeler’s farm in Ocala and would be delivering two horses who would have little commercial value. No one wants a twin. They are often too small and frequently have physical problems. Most don’t even survive. Experts say that in cases where broodmares have twin pregnancies, two healthy foals are delivered only 1% of the time. A horse’s uterus is generally not big enough for two fetuses to remain healthy all the way to birth.

But Wheeler had no choice other than to persevere with the pair and take whatever he could get for them at the sales or through a private purchase. It’s good that he did. Twins Catch Ya Later Bro (Fury Kapcori) and Twin Turbo may never become stars, but they have already exceeded what virtually everyone expects from twins, which is not much. On Oct. 31 at Hawthorne, Twin Turbo won a $25,000 maiden claimer. Fifty-seven days later, Catch Ya Later Bro won a $40,000 maiden claimer at Tampa Bay Downs on Dec. 27.

“I'm very much surprised how they have turned out,” Wheeler said. "I have to give my wife, Elizabeth, credit. She fed the heck out of them." Cont. p8
Twins cont.

Andrea Gail had produced the Grade III winner Areyoutalkintome (Smokester) and had another foal sell for $500,000, so when she was sent to sire Fury Kapcori, Wheeler had high expectations for how the mating would work out. Instead, he ran into one problem after another. Catch Ya Later Bro was a normal-sized horse, but had serious conformation issues. Twin Turbo was correct, but small enough that Wheeler knew no one would pay a lot of money for him.

"One was always called big twin and the other little twin," Wheeler said. "We moved Twin Turbo to a nurse mare so they would both get sufficient nutrients. They kept coming along. Even though being cared for by different mares, they were in the same paddock and were best friends growing up. With the bigger one, his legs were pretty crooked and we had to put some screws in them to straighten them up. He was a work in progress the whole way. At the beginning, the little one had to go to the clinic. He was pretty weak and it took a lot nurturing to bring him along."

By the time the horses were two, Wheeler had them ready to be put up for sale. When trainer Bill Sienkewicz, who winters in Tampa, first saw Catch Ya Later Bro, he wasn’t worried about the twin factor.

"When I saw him I wasn’t concerned at all that he was a twin," Sienkewicz said. "In my experience, I’ve seen that twins are usually weedy individuals and this one wasn’t like that. He was a nice looking colt and there was a lot of substance to him. I felt real comfortable buying him."

Owner Josie Gump said all she needed was one look before deciding to buy Catch Ya Later Bro.

"Why wasn’t I worried that he was a twin? Because I saw him," she said. "He wasn’t a spindly, little, gnarly kid. He’s a really good-looking horse."

Catch You Later Bro made his debut at Tampa, finishing second in a $25,000 maiden claimer. Sienkewicz said he won’t risk running him back in another claiming race next out.

"I think this horse has some quality to him," he said. "I’ll probably move him up to an allowance race or even try the Pasco S. He’s been training great. His first race really woke him up. He is the nicest damn horse. I imagine as a twin he got a lot of attention when being raised. He’s just a wonderful horses and I’m so glad we got him."

About the time See Ya Later Bro was sold, trainer Ingrid Mason was looking for some inexpensive prospects for owner Mike Waters. Retaining an ownership interest in the horse, she helped pick out Twin Turbo at the OBS June 2-Year-Old Sale, where he went for $25,000.

"He’s small, but I don’t mind small horses," Mason said. "He was a good-looking individual and was correct. I liked him. Absolutely, I was discouraged that he was a twin, but I’m sure he would have sold for a lot more if not a twin."

Twin Turbo needed four starts to break his maiden, but when he did it was an encouraging effort. He drew off to win by 5 1/2 lengths.

It looks like the two have fairly comparable ability, but don’t expect them to meet any time soon. Mason races in Chicago and at Oaklawn. After Tampa closes, Sienkewicz goes to Delaware Park. A win in the Pasco S. by Catch You Later Bro could put him on the route to the GII Tampa Bay Derby, but that seems like a reach. But there’s nothing wrong with being a solid horse who earns enough to pay the bills. With the way they have been running, that’s not too much to ask of Catch You Later Bro and Twin Turbo—even if they are twins.
BROWN, KLARAVICH & FRANCO ARE NYRA YEAR-END LEADERS

Trainer Chad Brown took home his fifth-consecutive New York Racing Association training title, jockey Manny Franco secured his second-straight NYRA year-end riding title and owner Klaravich Stables was the circuit’s leading owner in 2019.

Brown saddled 142 winners from 552 starters (25.7%) between Saratoga, Belmont and Aqueduct for earnings of $15.62 million—exceeding his previous high mark set in 2018. Seth Klarman’s Klaravich Stables, one of Brown’s main owners, won 57 races on the NYRA circuit from 196 tries (29.1%), racking up $5.18 million. Klaravich won outright or shared five of the six NYRA individual meet titles in 2019.

Franco won two individual meet titles in 2019, and 212 races at NYRA tracks from 1274 mounts (16.6%). His mounts bankrolled more than $14.6 million.

"I'm very thankful," said the 25-year-old native of Puerto Rico. "I have to thank all the trainers and owners for putting me on these good horses, as well as my agent [Hall of Fame jockey Angel Cordero, Jr.], who has also helped me a lot during my career and especially this year. It's a big accomplishment. I just want to continue to ride and do well."

CA PARTICIPATION PURSES TO INCREASE IN 2020

Guaranteed Participation Purses will be increased from $351 to $500 in Southern California and from $300 to $450 at Golden Gate Fields starting on Jan. 1, 2020, the Thoroughbred Owners of California announced Tuesday.

"The TOC appreciates the intense economic pressure that Thoroughbred owners in California have been under in the past year," said TOC chairman Nick Alexander. “We have experienced flat purses and rising costs of business, including the new safety reforms that the owners have been required to fund on their own and a substantial increase in CHRB expenses that are funded 50% from the statewide purse accounts and which will exceed $14.5 million this year. TOC's decision to increase participation purses is meant to assist owners with these expenses and encourage them to continue to run in California."

Alexander concluded, “Looking to the future we are hopeful that working with the CHRB and the racetracks we can come up with a more equitable sharing of expenses so that we have enough owners and racehorses in California to allow our sport to grow and thrive in the future."

2019'S MOST-WATCHED VIDEOS

We showed three million videos through the TDN’s video platforms (Vimeo and YouTube) in 2019. These were the most popular. Click on the red link to watch them:

1. 67,123 views: Meet Songbird’s First Foal, by Arrogate. The mating of two exceptional racehorses—Arrogate and Songbird—each in their first season of breeding, has resulted in an exceptional foal. Meet the filly everyone will be watching, and who Mike Smith is already anticipating riding.

2. 32,405 views: California Chrome’s First Yearlings to Sell in July. Of all the stallions new to the breeding scene in 2017, California Chrome was certainly the most anticipated. With a wildly devout fan base and a race record which included popular wins in the G1 Kentucky Derby at 3 and the G1 Dubai World Cup at 5, California Chrome brought talent, durability, and charisma to the table. TDN sat down with Taylor Made Farm president and CEO, Duncan Taylor, to discuss his first yearlings on offer prior to the 2019 Fasig-Tipton July Sale.

3. 31,260 views: Rachel Alexandra: It’s a Wonderful Life. 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. In Rachel Alexandra, Barbara Banke has discovered exactly that. We visit her at Stonestreet Farm to check in on her life today.

4. 30,652 views: UAE Derby winner Plus Que Parfait. In French, the plus que parfait is used to indicate an action that has taken place prior to another event in the past. But in the case of Plus Que Parfait the horse, his trainer Brendan Walsh is hoping that the best is still yet to come. Kelsey Riley caught up with Walsh on the Churchill Downs backstretch.

3. 27,957 views: Wolfendale Turns Lifelong Passion Into a Career. Third-generation horsewoman Maggie Wolfendale combined her broadcasting degree and passion for Thoroughbreds into a career as NYRA’s paddock analyst. Christie DeBernardis catches up with her at Aqueduct.

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WEDNESDAY’S INSIGHTS:

SNAP CHAP TAKE TWO

Snap Chap | Keeneland photo

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9th-SA, $55k, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 6:30 p.m. ET

OXO Equine’s SNAP CHAP (Into Mischief), a $1.2-million KEESEP yearling, will shed the blinkers and stretch out for this second start. The bay colt, trained by Don Chatlos, was fourth in his six-furlong debut at Del Mar Nov. 23. He is out of Gaudete (Distorted Humor), a half-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Munnings (Speightstown). David Hofmans saddles Five Star Racing Stable’s first-time starter Don V. (Street Sense), a $325,000 KEESEP yearling. Out of Christies Treasure (Belong to Me), the dark bay colt is a half-brother to graded stakes winner Sacristy (Pulpit) who is the dam of Grade I placed Flor de La Mar (Tiznow). TJCIS PPs

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Aqueduct, $70,875, Alw, 12-31, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:51.76, sy.

PATAGONIA (c, 3, Strong Mandate--Lantern, by Mineshaft) finished second, but promoted to first, while debuting for trainer Todd Pletcher and owners China Horse Club International and WinStar Farm at Monmouth Park Aug. 10 and closed to be second for those same connections in a Keeneland allowance Oct. 13. Purchased for $150,000 at the Keeneeland November sale, he was making his first start for the new connections here. Sent off at 7-2, Patagonia trailed the field through fractions of :24.02 and :48.24. He made rapid progress turning for home, was five wide into the lane and closed with a powerful late flourish to nail pacesetting favorite Communicator (Bernardini) by a neck on the wire. Patagonia is a half-brother to Lantiz (Tizway, SP, $271,821). A $95,000 KEEJAN yearling, he RNA’d for $210,000 as a KEESEP yearling before selling for $450,000 at the 2018 OBS March Sale and again for $150,000 at the 2019 Keeneland November sale. The Evanses have already had success buying a horse of racing age from WinStar out of the November sale. They acquired subsequent Grade I winner Diversify (Bellamy Road) for $210,000 at that auction in 2016. Lantern produced a filly by Unified in 2019 and was bred back to Mo Town. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $81,600. O-Lauren & Ralph Evans; B-Hartmut H. Malluche & Silesia Farm (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas.

Consigned by Bobby Dodd, Agent

TODAY’S FEATURED VIDEO REPLAYS

Portos (Tapit) glides home unchallenged at Aqueduct Tuesday.

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6th-Aqueduct, $65,344, Alw, (S), 12-31, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23.88, sy.  
**SILVER SEEKER (g, 3, Central Banker--Silver Wave, by Star Dabbler),** a debut winner at Indiana Grand Apr. 17, was fourth over the lawn in Indiana May 18 and moved to the all-weather to win a Turfway allowance Dec. 6. The 9-1 shot took the lead midway down the backstretch, inched clear into the stretch and reported home a 2 3/4-length winner. Financialstability (Midnight Lute) closed for second. Silver Seeker RNA’d for $7,500 as an FTKOCT yearling. Silver Wave produced a full-sister to the winner in 2019 and was bred back to Central Banker. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](https://www.equibase.com/chart) or [VIDEO](https://www.fasig-tipton.com/video), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.  
Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, $66,550.  
O-Erin LaCroix; B-Patrick Davis (NY); T-Gene LaCroix.

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6th-Turfway, $47,420, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 12-31, 2yo, 1m (AWT), 1:40.32, ft.  
**ARTEMUS EAGLE (c, 2, Wicked Strong--Beth Ann’s Kitten, by Kitten’s Joy),** fifth on the lawn while debuting for trainer Chad Brown at Monmouth Park Sept. 8, graduated versus $50,000 maiden claimers at Keeneland Oct. 25 and was most recently fourth over this track and trip Dec. 6. Let go at 7-1, the bay colt settled off the pace, angled out four wide at the top of the lane and closed well to win going away by one length. Pacesetting Bahama Channel (English Channel) was second. Beth Ann’s Kitten produced a colt by Creative Cause in 2019 and was bred back to Carpe Diem. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](https://www.equibase.com/chart) or [VIDEO](https://www.fasig-tipton.com/video), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.  
Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, $48,280.  
O/B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.

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5th-Sunland, $25,600, Alw, 12-31, (NW2L), 2yo, 6f, 1:09.85, ft.  
**COMPETITIVE IDEA (g, 2, Competitive Edge--That’s the Idea {MSW, $291,275}, by Diabolical) romped by 7 1/2 lengths in his Nov. 4 debut at Zia Park and was coming off a third-place effort in the Nov. 27 Zia Juvenile S. The 1-2 favorite set the pace through fractions of :22.11 and :44.88 and pulled away to score by 2 1/4 lengths. Old Trafford (Bayern) was second. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](https://www.equibase.com/chart) or [VIDEO](https://www.fasig-tipton.com/video), sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.  
Lifetime Record: SP, 3-2-0-1, $41,460.  
O/B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:
3rd-Aqueduct, $65,960, Msw, 12-31, 2yo, 1 1/8m, 1:54.58, sy.
PORTOS (c, 2, Tapit--Fierce Boots {SW, $103,147}, by Tiznow),
fourth on debut at this distance at Saratoga Aug. 22, was third
going 1 1/16 miles at Keeneland Oct. 5 and was most recently
second over track and trip Nov. 11. The 1-5 favorite was allowed
to settle into stride and trailed the field while racing three wide
around the first turn. The gray colt moved to within striking
distance after a half in :49.61 and hit the lead after three-
quarters in 1:14.95. He skipped clear down the lane and sailed
under the wire geared down and 10 3/4 lengths in front.
Cowtown (Tonalist) was second. Stakes-winning Fierce Boots, a
half-sister to Grade I winner Power Broker (Pulpit), has a
yearling filly by Speightstown and a weanling colt by
Bodemeister. She was bred back to Into Mischief. The mare was
purchased by Wertheimer and Frere for $700,000 as a 3-year-
old at the 2014 Keeneland November sale. Click for the
Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, $63,900.
O/B-Wertheimer Et Frere (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1
American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile), Ashford Stud, $100,000
162 foals of racing age/27 winners/4 black-type winners
10-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/16mT, LIPSTIKLIESNLOVERS, 12-1
$145,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
7-Aqueduct, $150K Jerome S., 1m, PRINCE OF PHAROAHS, 8-1

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, $15,000
95 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Aqueduct, $150K Jerome S., 1m, BOURBON BAY, 5-1
$205,000 SAR AUG yrl; $240,000 RNA FT MAR 2yo
10-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/16mT, LA BABAIA, 20-1
7-Fair Grounds, Msw 1 1/16m, WILD UNION, 3-1
$95,000 KEE SEP yrl; $225,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Call Me George (Point Given), Gulf Coast Equine, unknown
3 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Fair Grounds, Msw 5 1/2fT, CHARSEY, 20-1

Commissioner (A.P. Indy), WinStar Farm, $7,500
94 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 7f, FLORADO, 4-1
$21,000 KEE NOV wnl; $35,000 KEE SEP yrl

Constitution (Tapit), WinStar Farm, $15,000
123 foals of racing age/29 winners/5 black-type winners
1-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, FREDERICKTOWN, 20-1
$200,000 KEE SEP yrl
7-Aqueduct, $150K Jerome S., 1m, INDEPENDENCE HALL, 1-5
$100,000 KEE SEP yrl; $200,000 RNA FT MAR 2yo
3-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, NEW YORK SUPREME, 8-5
$18,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; $40,000 OBS APR 2yo

Curlin to Mischief (Curlin), Rancho San Miguel, $3,500
23 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Golden Gate Fields, Aoc 5 1/2f, MISCHIEVOUS CURLIN, 9-2
$9,000 RNA BAR OCT yrl

Jack Milton (War Front), Crestwood Farm, $6,500
58 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Laurel, Wmc 1m, BACK CHARGE, 8-1
$28,000 EAS DEC wnl
1-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/16mT, BAD BEAT BRIAN, 15-1
$22,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $16,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $115,000
EAS MAY 2yo
4-Fair Grounds, Msw 5 1/2fT, BALOOK, 8-1
$2,000 RNA ESL YRL yrl; $20,000 RNA EQL 2YO yrl

Karakontie (Jpn) (Bernstein), Gainesway Farm, $10,000
89 foals of racing age/12 winners/3 black-type winners
1-Santa Anita, Msw 1mT, SPANISH COUNT, 15-1
$25,000 KEE SEP yrl

Liam's Map (Unbridled's Song), Lane's End Farm, $20,000
114 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
10-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/16mT, CHOOSE TO BE HAPPY, 6-1
$57,000 RNA BAR SEL yrl; $90,000 OBS OCT yrl

Micromanage (Medaglia d'Oro), Rockridge Stud, $4,000
38 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, HELMERS RUN, 30-1

Mr Speaker (Pulpit), Lane's End Farm, $10,000
79 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Mahoning Valley, Alw 6f, SPEAK LIGHTLY, 6-1
Normandy Invasion (Tapit), Pin Oak Lane Farm, $3,500
52 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, BELLA INVASION, 15-1 $4,700 KEE JAN wnl;
$15,000 RNA FTK OCT yr; $9,000 EAS MAY 2yo
3-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, ROSEY’S INVASION, 6-1

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
123 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners
10-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/16mT, MISS CHEENY, 30-1
$22,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $3,000 KEE SEP yr

STAKES RESULTS:
PRAIRIE BAYOU S., $73,787, Turfway, 12-31, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.49, ft.
1--PEEKACHO, 120, g, 4, Hold Me Back--Pioneering Cat (MSW, $234,488), by Pioneering. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Andrew C. Ritter; B-Ledgelands LLC & Andrew C. Ritter (KY); T-Brian Michael; J-John McKee. $44,175. Lifetime Record: 32-11-6-6, $227,413.

2--Royal Mesa, 121, c, 3, Sky Mesa--Flashy Campaign, by Political Force. O/B-Jerry Namy (KY); T-Philip A. Sims. $14,250.

3--Guest Suite, 120, g, 5, Quality Road--Guest House, by Ghostzapper. O-Contreras Stable Inc. & Victory Stables, LLC; B-W. S. Farish & Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership (KY); T-Cipriano Contreras. $7,125.

Margins: NK, 4, 1 1/4. Odds: 13.00, 9.50, 3.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
7th-Turfway, $30,602, 12-31, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:38.55, ft.

WICKED STRONG, Artemus Eagle, c, 2, o/o Beth Ann's Kitten, by Kitten's Joy. AOC, 12-31, Turfway

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
HOLD ME BACK, Peekacho, g, 4, o/o Pioneering Cat, by Pioneering. Prairie Bayou S., 12-31, Turfway

STRONG MANDATE, Patagonia, c, 3, o/o Lantern, by Mineshaft. ALW, 12-31, Turfway

CENTRAL BANKER, Silver Seeker, g, 3, o/o Silver Wave, by Star Dabbler. ALW, 12-31, Aqueduct

COMPETITIVE EDGE, Competitive Idea, g, 2, o/o That's the Idea, by Diabolical. ALW, 12-31, Sunland

ESKENDEREYA, Performance Review, m, 6, o/o Right to Rule, by Five Star Day. AOC, 12-31, Sunland

FRANKEL (GB), Westerland (GB), g, 4, o/o Arabesque (GB), by Zafonic. ALW, 12-31, Turfway

GREAT NOTION, High Holy, c, 2, o/o Altagracia, by Flatter. Turfway, 12-31, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:19.39. B-Silverton Hill, LLC (KY)

HOLD ME BACK, Peekach, g, 4, o/o Pioneering Cat, by Pioneering. Prairie Bayou S., 12-31, Turfway

TAPIR, Portos, c, 2, o/o Fierce Boots, by Tiznow. MSW, 12-31, Aqueduct

VERAZANO, Vibrancy, f, 2, o/o Crescenda, by Bowman’s Band. MCL, 12-31, Aqueduct
Galileo, by a Country Mile

Galileo is champion sire for the eleventh time | Coolmore

By Emma Berry

Ten years ago, after becoming champion sire for the first time in 2008, Galileo (Ire) had to hand over the title to his fellow Coolmore sire Danehill Dancer (Ire). But that was the one and only time the greatest stallion many of us will ever know has had to relinquish that status. In 2019, he claimed his eleventh champion sire title in Britain and Ireland.

On New Year’s Day, Galileo turns 22. His sire Sadler’s Wells, whose dominance he has already emulated, continued on active duty until the age of 27 and lived in retirement at Coolmore until he was 30. Galileo, who is currently tearing his way towards his father’s record of 14 sires’ championships, is certainly demonstrating similar longevity. In his routine excellence we must be careful not to take him for granted—we may never see his like again.

In October 2018, Galileo surpassed the number of Group 1 winners set by Sadler’s Wells when Magical (Ire) won the QIPCO British Champions Fillies and Mares S. to become his 74th winner at the highest level. A little over a year later that tally stands at 84—equal to the Group 1 winners’ record set by Danehill—with Galileo’s best horses of 2019 including the winners of the Derby, Irish Derby, Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe, the 1000 Guineas and Champion S. in both England and Ireland, the Moyglare Stud S., St James’s Palace S. and Irish St Leger.

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NORWAY, BLENHIM PALACE TO RACE IN AUSTRALIA

Yulong Investments has purchased a controlling interest in former Ballydoyle representatives Norway (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and Blenheim Palace (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), with the pair of newly-turned 4-year-olds set to race on in Australia with trainer Chris Waller, Racing.com reports.

Norway won the Listed Zetland S. at two and was third in the G1 Irish Derby and G2 Great Voltigeur S. before taking the G3 Paddy Power Betting Shop S. at Leopardstown on Sept. 14. Blenheim Palace broke his maiden in April of 2019 and was third behind Norway at Leopardstown—one of three pattern placings this season—before winning Dundalk’s G3 Diamond S. over 2000 metres two weeks later. Both colts have important sire siblings: Norway’s half-brother Duke of Marmalade (Ire) (Danehill) has been an important sire in Europe and now stands in South Africa.

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BILL FINLEY: LEADERS OF THE DECADE

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He was also represented by two Group 1 winners in Australia: Cape Of Good Hope (Ire) and Magic Wand (Ire). The latter typifies the hardness Galileo imparts to his offspring, a factor which doubtless helps to set him apart from his peers. The only way in which Magic Wand is not typical of her sire’s elite runners is in the fact that she didn’t record her first top-flight win until November of her 4-year-old season. But consider this: following a 3-year-old season which included a fourth-place finish in the Oaks and victory in the G2 Ribblesdale S. as well as two near misses in the Prix Vermeille and Prix de l’Opera from nine starts, her 2019 itinerary started at Gulfstream Park in January where she was second to Bricks And Mortar (Giant’s Causeway) in the GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational S.

From there she went to Dubai, then on to New York, Ascot, The Curragh and back to Ascot. Chicago, Leopardstown, Australia for three starts within a fortnight including her victory in the G1 Mackinnon S. four days after the Melbourne Cup, and then finally to Sha Tin, where she was beaten just a short-head by Win Bright (Jpn) (Stay Gold {Jpn}) in the G1 Hong Kong Cup.

It was a dizzying programme in which Magic Wand finished in the first three in eight of her 12 international races.

Galileo's second Arc winner, Waldgeist (GB), has joined the Ballylinch Stud roster for 2020 but we can, hopefully, look forward to his Derby-winning sons Anthony Van Dyck (Ire) and Sovereign (Ire) returning this year, as well as the most exciting of his 2019 3-year-old crop, Japan (GB), winner of the G1 Juddmonte International and G1 Grand Prix de Paris. Among his top-class fillies, Magical (Ire) excelled during the 2019 season, winning five races, including the Champion S. in both England and Ireland, and twice finishing runner-up to Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) as well as to Crystal Ocean (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) in the G1 Prince of Wales’s S.
Galileo’s 39 black-type winners in Europe in 2019 represented 13.6% of his runners. Of his 98 winners, his top earner was Waldgeist, thanks largely to landing the spoils in Europe’s richest race. Waldgeist’s earnings, which came in just shy of £3 million, helped to propel Galileo’s European progeny earnings to £16,145,540—almost three times that of his nearest pursuer, Dubawi (Ire). His British and Irish earnings of £11,945,529 were amassed largely from 82 individual winners from 191 runners (43%). With Galileo miles clear in both the European and British and Irish tables, Dubawi ranks second overall in Europe but notably only one of his offspring’s six Group 1 wins of the year was recorded in Britain or Ireland, and he comes in at fifth place in that table behind Sea The Stars, fellow Darley sire Shamardal, and Frankel (GB).

Urban Sea’s extraordinary influence on the modern-day breed continues to be felt in force, not only through Galileo and his sons and daughters, but also through another son, Sea The Stars, who had his best year yet in 2019. Ten years after he sailed unbeaten through the 2000 Guineas, Derby, Coral-Eclipse, Juddmonte International, Irish Champion S. and the Arc before his subsequent retirement to Gilltown Stud, the son of Cape Cross (Ire) continues to grow in stature as an elite sire. Debate will continue to rage as to the rankings given to the top racehorses around the world, but few can deny that Sea The Stars’s top-rated son Crystal Ocean was worthy of the greatest respect following his victory in the G1 Prince of Wales’s S. and narrow defeats to Enable and Japan in the King George and Juddmonte International. He is now at Beeches Stud—though he was certainly also worthy of a place on Coolmore’s Flat roster—but we can look forward to the extraordinarily consistent stayer Stradivarius (Ire) returning this season.
The treble Group 1 winner Star Catcher (GB) was another standout performer for Sea The Stars in 2019 and we are blessed that she too will remain in training with John Gosden.

Sea The Stars had a higher strike-rate than his half-brother of 48% winners to runners and earnings in Britain and Ireland of £4,164,792 (£5,685,781, third in Europe).

Any stallion who sires three unbeaten juvenile Group 1 winners can be considered to have had a very good season indeed, and that is the position in which Shamardal found himself in 2019. All three came for his ‘home team’ Godolphin, with Pinatubo (Ire) the pick of the entire crop of 2017 on all evidence to date, backed up by the French-trained duo of Earthlight (Ire) and Victor Ludorum (Ire).

Between them they plundered the Dewhurst S., National S., Prix Morny, Middle Park S. and Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere. Some haul.

Shamardal was also represented by a Classic winner in the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Castle Lady (Ire), as well as the top sprinter of the season, Blue Point (Ire), who has now joined him at Kildangan Stud. The third, fourth and fifth places in the table for Britain and Ireland were really closely contested and his progeny earnings of £3,512,673 (£5,464,482, fourth in Europe) puts Shamardal marginally ahead of Frankel on £3,495,105 (£4,657,665, fifth in Europe).

Since his first runners hit the track in 2017, Frankel has wasted little time in making his presence felt near the top of the table and has been in the top four sires in Britain and Ireland for the last three years, finishing third in 2018 behind his father Galileo and Dubawi. His top earner in 2019 was Juddmonte’s unbeaten Logician (GB), who rounded off his season with victory in the St Leger, and the grey looks to be another decent staying prospect for the Gosden stable. Logician was Frankel’s second British Classic winner of the season after Oaks winner Anapurna (GB), who was the star of a terrific year for her owner-breeder Meon Valley Stud and later won the G1 Prix de Royallieu.

And so to Dubawi. Just as Aidan O’Brien has a surfeit of Galileo’s offspring in his stable, Charlie Appleby finds himself in a similar position with Dubawi. In assessing the merits of the rivals, both trainers are fulsome in their praise of the temperaments of their respective runners. This, as we know, is an attribute every bit as important as athletic ability, and it is seemingly a heritable trait which has enabled Dubawi to become the most sought-after stallion in Britain for some years now. His son Night Of Thunder (Ire) waltzed away with the freshman sires’ championship—which will be discussed in greater detail in these pages later this week—and Dubawi has now been joined at Dalham Hall Stud by his top earner in 2019, Too Darn Hot (GB).

This member of Lord and Lady Lloyd Webber’s first-class family of Dar Re Mi (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) was the champion 2-year-old of 2018 who was forced to miss the 2000 Guineas with soreness in a splint bone. He returned to the track in the G2 Dante S., finishing second to Telecaster (GB) (New Approach {GB}) in that noted Derby trial, but nine days later a change of tack saw him drop back to a mile for the Irish 2000 Guineas, in which he was second to Phoenix Of Spain (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). So high had winter expectations been that a subsequent third-place finish in the G1 St James’s Palace S. increased the mutterings as to whether the neat bay colt had ‘trained on.’ He duly muted such whisperings with back-to-back Group 1 wins in the Prix Jean Prat and Sussex S., but the latter would prove to be his final start when he was found just days later to have incurred a hairline fracture of a hind cannonbone. His early departure to the stallion ranks has not dimmed breeders’ enthusiasm for his services this year—neither has his £50,000 service fee—as the ‘book full’ sign was nominally posted next to his name before the breeding stock sales were even finished.

Old Persian (GB)—bred on the same Singspiel cross as Too Darn Hot and Wuheida (GB)—also kept Dubawi’s name in lights outside Europe with wins in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic and G1 Northern Dancer Turf S. at Woodbine.
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Only £1,237 separated Dubawi from Frankel in progeny earnings for Britain and Ireland, and with Coronet (GB) and Ghaiyyath (Ire) each landing major prizes in France and Germany, Dubawi’s European earnings came in at £5,703,553.

Dark Angel (Ire) continues to carry the torch for the sprinting division with great credit. In fifth place with earnings of £3,163,581 (£4,041,014, eighth in Europe), his runners were of course headed by the might Battaash (Ire), who broke Dayjur’s track record when winning the G1 Nunthorpe S. at York in the summer.

His stablemate at Charlie Hills’s Lambourn yard is another fast son of Dark Angel, the Stewards’ Cup winner Khaadem (Ire).

The half-brothers Kodiac (GB) and Invincible Spirit (Ire) finished seventh and eighth in Britain and Ireland and, with 166 winners, Kodiac was the numerical leader across Europe. His two Group 1 winners came in the form of Fairyland (Ire), who built on her juvenile success for owner-breeder Evie Stockwell to win the G1 Flying Five S. on Irish Champions Weekend, while Hello Youmzain (Fr) won the Haydock Sprint Cup.

Invincible Spirit meanwhile was represented by the 2000 Guineas winner and new Coolmore sire Magna Grecia (Ire), as well as the dependable Invincible Army (Ire), who increased his tally of career group wins to four and retired to Yeomanstown Stud.

When one thinks of Nathaniel (Ire), it is likely that the first horse to spring to mind will always be Enable. But the Newsells Park Stud resident is far from one-dimensional and his daughter Channel (Ire) became his second Classic winner in the Prix de Diane, while Dashing Willoughby (GB) won the G2 Queen’s Vase at Royal Ascot. Finishing ninth in Britain and Ireland, Nathaniel was seventh overall in Europe.

A sire who remains popular in both hemispheres, Lope De Vega (Ire) completes the top 10 stallions in Britain and Ireland. He had a further breakthrough in 2019 with his first Classic winner, Phoenix Of Spain, winner of the Irish 2000 Guineas and now a new resident at the Irish National Stud. The G1 Prix d’Ispahan winner Zabeel Prince (Ire) was another A-lister for Lope De Vega, and Duke Of Hazzard (Ire) rounded off his season with three straight stakes wins, culminating in the G2 Celebration Mile.

The Coolmore duo of Camelot (GB) and Zoffany (Ire) finished just outside the top 10, while Ballyhane Stud’s Dandy Man (Ire) continues to be a reliable winner-producer with 90 to his credit in 2019. The fatal injury in training to his 1000 Guineas runner-up Lady Kaya (Ire) was one of the low points of the season.

No Nay Never and Kingman (GB) have only just been represented by their second crop of runners but they each already have a son at Coolmore. The July Cup winner Ten Sovereigns (Ire) is the standout of No Nay Never’s first crop, while the same can be said of G2 Coventry S. winner Arizona (Ire) from his second crop. The previous year’s Coventry winner Calyx (GB) is Kingman’s first sire son. No Nay Never was 15th in the table for Britain and Ireland with Kingman in 19th. However, the latter took higher order in the overall European championship, in which he was 14th, his runners headed by his first Classic winner Persian King (Ire).

An honourable mention must go to Kingman’s fellow Banstead Manor Stud resident Bated Breath (GB), who had a terrific year, especially in high summer when he was represented by three Royal Ascot winners–Daahyeh (GB), Space Traveller (GB) and Biometric (GB). His stakes winners helped him to 15th place in Britain and Ireland.
Siyouni Shines In France

Galileo’s European dominance also delivered him the top spot in France but not far behind his monetary tally and the leader of the French domestic sires was the Aga Khan Studs’ Siyouni (Fr). In fact the two stallions combined in the production of the Prix du Jockey Club winner Sottsass (Fr), Siyouni’s son out of Ecurie des Monceaux’s star broodmare Starlet’s Sister (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)). He remains in training for this year, but two of Siyouni’s sons, City Light (Fr) and Le Brivido (Fr) are new to stud in France and Britain, while his brilliant daughter Laurens (Fr) bowed out with another Group 1 win in the Prix Rothschild.

Le Havre (Ire) had group winners in America, Japan and Britain as well as his home country, and it was his daughter Villa Marina who became his fourth Group 1 winner in the Prix de l’Opera, giving him a third-place finish in the French table.

Kendargent (Fr) sired the highest number of winners in France—78 to Siyouni’s 73 and Le Havre’s 70—to end the year in fourth with treble group winner Skalleti (Fr) his leading light.

Soldier Hollow Salutes In Germany

With Galileo leading the way in Britain, Ireland and France, it fell to another representative of the Sadler’s Wells line, Soldier Hollow (GB), to claim the top spot in Germany, which has been his home throughout his racing and stud career.

The son of In The Wings (GB) has just turned 20 and his reputation in Germany is in direct contrast to his diminutive stature. His 51 winners and five stakes winners put him in pole position ahead of Areion (Ger), the sire of G3 Preis der Winterfavoriten and G2 Gran Criterium winner Rubaiyat (Fr). Scalo (GB) ended the year in third place having provided the 2019 G1 Deutsches Derby winner Laccario (Ger) for the season’s leading breeder in Germany, Gestut Hof Ittlingen, who also bred Scalo and his sire Lando (Ger).

Scalo has stood his stallion career to date in France, but has joined the National Hunt ranks in Britain this year at Yorton Farm.

In the coming week we will review the leading first-season sires and broodmare sires of 2019.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Ajax Tavern (GB), g, 2, Canford Cliffs (Ire)--Gimme Some Lovin (Ire), by Desert Style (Ire). Lingfield, 12-31, 7f 1y (AWT), 1:25.04. B-Stratford Place Stud & Willow Bloodstock (GB).
*1ST-TIME STARTER. **1/2 to Thammin (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), SW-UAE, $115,398.

Norway, Blenheim Palace To Race In Australia cont. from p1

Norway is also a full-brother to Derby winner Ruler of the World (Ire), who provided the multiple Group 1 winner Iridessa (Ire) in his first crop and stands his debut season in France next year.

Blenheim Palace is a full-brother to dual Guineas winner and two-time Group 1-winning juvenile Churchill (Ire), who has his first yearlings this year.
Thursday, Meydan Racecourse, UAE, post time: 20.50 p.m.
*all post times are in local time.

**DUBAWI S.-G3, **$200,000, 3yo/up, 6f

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