MR. MONOMOY BOSSES THEM IN THE RISEN STAR

by Alan Carasso

Sent off a generous 7-1, Mr. Monomoy (Palace Malice) secured an easy lead, set incredibly steady fractions up front and pulled away late to easily defeat GIII Lecomte S. hero Enforceable (Tapit) in the first of two divisions of the GII Risen Star S. Saturday afternoon at the Fair Grounds. Silver State (Hard Spun), who completed the exacta behind Enforceable last time, rounded out the trifecta.

Drawn gate nine and looking to improve on his useful third-place effort in the Lecomte, Mr. Monomoy hit the ground running and dropped down onto the fence entering the first turn while chased by impressive last-out allowance winner Blackberry Wine (Oxbow), heavily backed at 4-1. The $60,000 Keeneland November weanling purchase raced with his mouth a bit agape through an opening quarter in a manageable :24.22 and, with no serious pace pressure to be found, got the next two furlongs in :24.35. Blackberry Wine traveled well within himself and may have put his nose in front passing the three-eighths marker, but Mr. Monomoy counterpunched as the six panels went up in 1:12.85—an internal quarter in :24.28. Asked to sprint in upper stretch and feeling a left-handed crack of Florent Geroux’s crop three-sixteenths of a mile from home, Mr. Monomoy widened away entering the final furlong and proved a convincing winner. The winner’s final three-eighths were clocked in a respectable :37.58. Cont. p3

NO END IN SIGHT FOR FINITE

by Alan Carasso

As has been well documented, the Fair Grounds road to the GI Kentucky Oaks has been enormously productive over the last 15 years, producing no fewer than eight winners on the first Friday in May, including Monomoy Girl (Tapizar) and Serengeti Empress (Alternation) in 2018 and 2019, respectively. Finite (Munnings) is well on her way to adding to that impressive total after registering her fifth consecutive victory in Saturday’s GII Rachel Alexandra S., easily lowering the colors of the previously unbeaten Eclipse Award winner British Idiom (Flashback).

Away in good order from her widest draw, Finite was a forward factor out of the stretch for the first time, but was consigned to a three-wide run around the first turn. British Idiom broke alertly and Javier Castellano looked to have an opportunity to get in and save some ground, but instead took the overland route and raced in her chief market rival’s slipstream on the backstretch run. Cont. p7

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MODERNIST RELISHES DISTANCE IN 2ND RISEN STAR DIVISION

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One-eyed emerging superstar Hard Not to Love (Hard Spun) gets some affection from her groom Martin Lopez after a dominant score in Saturday’s GII Santa Monica S. at Santa Anita. | Horsephotos
Risen Star—Div. 1 cont.

Enforceable, last and inside of Farmington Road (Quality Road) entering the backstretch, improved into about midfield at the half-mile and finished willingly for the place, just touching off Silver State, who raced close up throughout. Farmington Road closed off nicely to be fourth.

“We had a really good start out of the gate,” the winning rider commented. “I was thinking about stalking, but when I saw no one was really going for the lead I took advantage of it and went for it. It worked really nicely for me. It was a good distance and there was no real competition up front. Last time, he did have a bad trip, but it was partly the break. He’s still a new horse and learning everything but he showed me a lot today, I’m really happy with him.”

A troubled fourth on his six-furlong debut at Keeneland Oct. 19, Mr. Monomoy earned his TDN Rising Star with a 5 1/2-length graduation at Churchill Nov. 16. Runner-up to Lynn’s Map (Liam’s Map) in a local two-turn allowance in the slop Dec. 21, the bay attended the pace in the Lecomte and came home a one-paced third.

Pedigree Notes:

Mr. Monomoy becomes the second graded winner for his second-crop sire, whose son Structor won the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf and could soon embark on a Triple Crown journey of his own in South Florida. Mr. Monomoy and his Eclipse Award-winning half-sister are each out of a half-sister to graded stakes-winning turfer Drum Major (Dynaformer). Drumette, sold for $75,000 carrying Monomoy Girl in utero at Keeneland November in 2014, was knocked down for $1.85 million in foal to Mastery at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. Drumette’s now 2-year-old Shackleford colt fetched $230,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton October sale and she foaled a filly by Mastery last year before being bred to Tapit.
Saturday, Fair Grounds
RISEN STAR S. PRESENTED BY LAMARQUE FORD-GII, $400,000,
Fair Grounds, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:50.43, ft.
1--MR. MONOMOY, 122, c, 3, by Palace Malice
  1st Dam: Drumette, by Henny Hughes
  2nd Dam: Endless Parade, by Williamstown
  3rd Dam: Mnemosyne, by Saratoga Six
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($60,000
Wlg ‘17 KEENOV; €180,000 2yo ‘19 ARQMA). O-Madaket
Stables LLC, Michael Dubb and Doheny Racing Stable;
B-FFP LLC & Highfield Ranch (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Florent
Geroux. $240,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, $327,162. *1/2 to
Monomoy Girl (Tapizar), Ch. 3yo Filly, MGISW, $2,954,750.
Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick
Rating: A.

2--Enforceable, 122, c, 3, Tapit--Justwhistledixie, by Dixie Union.
($775,000 RNA Ylg ‘18 KEESEP). O-John C. Oxley; B-Clearsky
Farms (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. $80,000.

3--Silver State, 122, c, 3, Hard Spun--Supreme, by Empire
Maker. ($450,000 Ylg ‘18 KEESEP). O-Winchell Thoroughbreds
LLC and Willis Horton Racing LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred
Holdings LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. $40,000.

Margins: 2HF, HF, 1HF. Odds: 7.50, 3.10, 3.00.
Also Ran: Farmington Road, Digital, Scabbard, Blackberry Wine,
Moon Over Miami, Ready to Roll, Perfect Revenge,
Shashashakemup.
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MODERNIST JUMPS UP IN RISEN STAR
by Alan Carasso

Twelve months ago in the GII Risen Star S., the Bill Mott barn was represented by Country House (Lookin At Lucky), who was having his fourth career run and was exiting a maiden-breaking victory going two turns for the first time. Seeking to improve on that now-retired runner’s second-place effort a year ago, Modernist (Uncle Mo) argued the pace from the inside and fought his way to a 12-1 upset over Major Fed (Ghostzapper). Ny Traffic (Cross Traffic), who battled up front with Modernist clung on for third, while even-money Anneau d’Or (Medaglia d’Oro) flopped in his 3-year-old bow, finishing a never-in-it ninth.

Popped away from gate one by Junior Alvarado, Modernist was prominent, but only third with a circuit to travel, as Ny Traffic had the superior early speed from his outside barrier. But before the latter had the opportunity to get down to the fence, Alvarado used just enough gas to slide up underneath Ny Traffic and the battle was joined. The half-mile fraction of :48.57 was identical to that of the first Risen Star division and the duo raced heads apart into the final 3 1/2 furlongs, with Modernist hard-ridden, but doing slightly better of the two into the lane. Drawing about a length clear into the final eighth of a mile, Modernist was kept to his task and found the line first.

The disappointment of the race was clearly Anneau d’Or, who was forced a bit wide into the first turn by Liam’s Lucky Charm (Khozan) and was deepest down the back. He came under heavy pressure while wide leaving the three-eighths and faded tamely to be nearly 13 lengths adrift at the wire.

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Risen Star S.—Div. 2 cont.
A debut fifth sprinting at Belmont Sept. 28, Modernist was a staying-on third over Aqueduct’s one-turn mile Dec. 7 and most recently annexed a nine-furlong maiden by four lengths Jan. 25. For his part, Country House was ninth debuting at 8 1/2 furlongs on turf and was runner-up in a one-mile Aqueduct maiden before graduating first time long at Gulfstream in his third start.

“He won at a mile and an eighth in New York and has progressed really well in this early part of his 3-year-old year,” said Mott. “He’s become more mature and has been more professional about everything. I couldn’t be more delighted with how he acted in the paddock and post parade. I told Junior (Alvarado, jockey) to take advantage of the one hole. The horse handled everything really well.”

Pedigree Notes:
Bred on the same cross responsible for GI Hollywood Derby winner Mo Town as well as Grade II winner Mopotism, Modernism is the 29th graded winner and 54th black-type winner for Uncle Mo. The winner’s dam, who passed away in 2017, is a daughter of the Wygod’s SW & GISP Sweet Life (Kris S.), whose produce include two Breeders’ Cup winners—champion 2-year-old filly and GI Juvenile Fillies victress Sweet Catomine (Storm Cat) and Life Is Sweet (Storm Cat), victorious in the GI Ladies’ Classic (i.e. Distaff). Modernist’s third dam bred Pirate’s Revenge (Pirate’s Bounty), who defeated Paseana (Arg) in the GI Milady H. in 1995.

Saturday, Fair Grounds
Risen Star S. Presented by Lamarque Ford-GII, $400,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51.28, ft. 1--Modernist, 122, c, 3, by Uncle Mo
1st Dam: Symbolic Gesture, by Bernardini
2nd Dam: Sweet Life, by Kris S.
3rd Dam: Symbolically, by Flying Paster
1st Black Type Win, 1st Graded Stakes Win. O-Pam & Martin Wygod; B-Wygod Family, LLC (KY); T-William I. Mott; J-Junior Alvarado. $240,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, $288,800. Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Major Fed, 122, c, 3, Ghostzapper—Bobby’s Babe, by Smart Strike. O/B-Lloyd Madison Farms IV, LLC (KY); T-Gregory Foley. $80,000.

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TWO G1 KENTUCKY OAKS CANDIDATES...

**Finite** landed her fourth consecutive Stakes win **yesterday** with a dominant 4 3/4 length victory in the **Gr.2 Rachel Alexandra S.** at the Fair Grounds, defeating Champion 2YO filly British Idiom.

**Last Saturday VENETIAN HARBOR** won the **Gr.2 Las Virgenes S.** by 9 1/4 lengths at Santa Anita.

11 SWs in 2019, four of them juveniles.
2019 yearlings sold for $385,000, $265,000, $260,000, $220,000 etc.
Risen Star S.—Div. 2 cont.

3--Ny Traffic, 122, c, 3, Cross Traffic--Mamie Reilly, by Graeme Hall. ($27,000 RNA 2yo ‘19 EASMAY). O-Fanelli, John, Cash is King LLC, LC Racing and Braverman, Paul; B-Brian Culnan (NY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. $40,000.

Margins: 1, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 12.80, 9.70, 11.70. Also Ran: Mailman Money, Mr. Big News, Lynn’s Map, Finnick the Fierce, Excession, Anneau d’Or, Liam’s Lucky Charm, Fame to Famous. Scratched: Truculent. Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Rachel Alexandra S. cont.

Finite continued to cover ground on the second bend, with British Idiom in her wake and while the odds-on pop came out to launch her bid in upper stretch, Finite had all the answers and pulled clear with a fair bit of authority.

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An outstanding start to 2020...

MODERNIST stamps his ticket to the Kentucky Derby with a gutsy victory in the Gr.2 Risen Star S. at the Fair Grounds yesterday.

Modernist joins leading 3YO Oaks contenders BAST and DONNA VELOCE on the Road to Churchill.

UNCLE MO

Yearlings in 2019 sold for $900,000, $750,000, $750,000, $725,000, $675,000, $650,000, $650,000, $650,000, $575,000, $510,000, $500,000, $500,000, $500,000, $500,000 etc.

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Rachel Alexandra S. cont.

A maiden winner at third asking in a 6 1/2-furlong test over the Kentucky Downs turf, Finite romped by six in the one-mile Rags to Riches S. at Churchill Oct. 27 and made it three on the hop with a 3/4-length success in her two-turn bow in the Nov. 30 GII Golden Rod S. beneath the Twin Spires. She was more workmanlike than brilliant in winning the Jan. 18 Silverbulletday S. by a neck, but came on in leaps and bounds for that effort.

“I think the last race put us in this position,” said winning trainer Steve Asmussen, who sent out Summerly (Summer Squall, 2005) and Untapable (Tapit, 2014) to win this event en route to the Oaks. “This race has obviously been a producer of really nice fillies and I think we have something to work with now with her. She’s always been a really game filly and has always showed a lot of heart. We’re hoping this filly can stay sound and keep running well and hopefully follow that same path.”

Pedigree Notes:

One of two serious Oaks chances for Munnings (GII Las Virgenes S. winner Venetian Harbor the other), Finite is a half-sister to 2018 G2 UAE Derby runner-up Reride (Candy Ride [Arg]) and her dam is a full-sister to fewer than three full black-type winners, including MGSW Tapiture, GSW Rotation and SW & GSP Retap. The $200,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic graduate has a 2-year-old half-sister named Bankable (Candy Ride [Arg]) and a yearling half-brother by Gun Runner. Remit graduate has a 2-year-old half-sister named Bankable (Candy Ride [Arg]) and her dam is a full-sister to no fewer than three full-sister to 2018 G2 UAE Derby runner-up Reride (Candy Ride Arg) and a yearling half-brother by Gun Runner. Remit was most recently bred back to the latter.

Saturday, Fair Grounds

RACHEL ALEXANDRA S. PRESENTED BY FASIG-TIPTON-GII, $294,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:43.97, ft.

1--FINITE, 122, f, 3, by Munnings

1st Dam: Remit (MSW, $257,556), by Tapit

2nd Dam: Free Spin, by Olympio

3rd Dam: Spin n Win, by Private Account

($200,000 2yo ‘19 EASMAY). O-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, Reiman, Thomas J., Dickson, William and Easter, Deborah A.; B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen; Reiman, Thomas J., Dickson, William and Easter, Deborah A.; B-T F Van Derveer, Barry Hall, Barry Lipman & Mark Mathiesen; B-T F Van Meter (KY); T-John A. Shirreffs; J-Mike E. Smith. $120,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 6-5-0-1, $408,480. *1/2 to Solemn Tribute (Medaglia d’Oro), SW & GSP, $181,234; Wonder Gadot (Medaglia d’Oro), Horse of the Year, Ch. 2yo Filly & Ch. 3yo Filly-Con, MGWSW & MGISP, $1,524,861.

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

2--Mother Mother, 120, f, 4, of Pioneerof the Nile--Mother, by Lion Hearted. ‘TDN Rising Star’ ($450,000 Ylg ‘17 KEESEP). O-Gainesway Stable (Antony Beck), Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC, Barry Hall, Barry Lipman & Mark Mathiesen; B-T F Van Meter (KY); T-Bob Baffert. $40,000.

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

3--Zusha, 120, m, 5, Congrats--Icy Tea, by Storm Cat. ($42,000 RNA Ylg ‘16 KEESEP). O-Rafael Steinbruch; B-Clearsky Farms (KY); T-Gary Mandella. $24,000. Margins: 3HF, 1HF, 1. Odds: 0.60, 1.50, 28.70. Also Ran: Lady Ninja, Road Rager. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: B.
Santa Monica S. cont.

‘TDN Rising Star’ Hard Not to Love was last seen blowing away her competition at 11-1 odds in the GI La Brea S. over this same track and trip Dec. 28, but she likely won’t be going off at double digits for awhile, especially after her latest performance. Reined back to last by Mike Smith in a compact field of five, the bay sat perched out wide and within striking distance as the rest of her foes scrambled for position through a :23.04 opening quarter. The favorite began her sweeping move into a :45.81 half, and kicked away under a hands-and-heels ride to win with authority.

“I gotta take my hat off to [trainer] John Shirreffs and everybody, the groom and the gallop girl that gets on her. She is a lot of work and they have done a lot to get her here and it is paying off,” Smith said. “She gets anxious and the fans are starting to know her. They show her a lot of respect and they get quiet for her. She just gets anxiety because she can’t see everything, but she is such a sweetheart. The best part of it all is once we get her in the gate and get her running.”

Smith added, “I told John, that I think she wants two turns I hope I’m right. She is doing so well doing what she is doing and you can’t ask her to do anymore but it’s time to probably go around the second turn.”

A three-length front-running victress on debut here almost exactly a year ago, Hard Not to Love--who is missing her left eye--doubled up over Lady Ninja (Majesticperfection) in an April optional claimer. The one blemish on her record so far was a third-place run in the May 4 Angels Flight S. after burning herself out early, but she resurfaced in another optional claimer here Oct. 25 and got the job done from off the pace first time under Smith. She and her Hall of Fame pilot further perfected her new late-running style in the La Brea.

“She’s getting better and better,” Shirreffs said. “She’s getting into those repeat performances. The stewards allowed us to break from the post parade when she came out of the tunnel. Her groom, Martin Lopez, walked her around the [clubhouse] turn and she stayed calm. She never breaks, but she reacts very quickly. Mike said he was waiting for her to relax and then he put her into the race. I love Mike, we go back a long way and we think a lot alike. He’s such a horseman, for him, it’s all about the horse. That’s above winning or losing, it’s always about the horse. It looked like this was her best race. We’re thinking about going into the [Mar. 14 GI] Beholder Mile. I think as long as she can [relax], with her style of running, it shouldn’t be a problem.”

Pedigree Notes:
Ontario-based breeder David Anderson paid $180,000 for the winner’s dam, who boasted a 104 Beyer Speed Figure herself, at the 2011 Keeneland January sale. Her first foal was Solemn Tribute (Medaglia d’Oro), a $385,000 KEESEP yearling who would go on to become a stakes winner and graded stakes-placed. Three seasons later came Wonder Gadot (Medaglia d’Oro), who Anderson sold for $80,000 as a KEESEP yearling. She’d eventually be named Canada’s champion 2-year-old filly in 2017, and champion 3-year-old filly and Horse of the Year in 2018 after annexing the Queen’s Plate, before bringing $2 million the 2019 Fasig-Tipton November sale.

Anderson sold Loving Vindication’s unraced Bodemeister 3-year-old for $300,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton October sale, and then bought back the mare for $1.45 million in that same sales ring that November. Loving Vindication, a daughter of GSW Chimichurri (Elusive Quality), produced a Nyquist filly in 2018 and Curlin colt last April. She was bred back to Medaglia d’Oro. An A.P. Indy half-sister to Loving Vindication produced last year’s GI Beholder Mile S. heroine Secret Spice (Discreet Cat), who would go on to fetch $1.4 million at Fasig November.
**General George S. cont.**

2--Threes Over Deuces, 120, g, 5, Flat Out--Cruelmore, by Forestry. ($30,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). O-Pocket 3’s Racing LLC; B-Machmer Hall & Montese LLC (KY); T-Gary Capuano. $50,000.

3--Still Having Fun, 120, g, 5, Old Fashioned--Casual Kiss, by Dehere. ($12,000 Ylg '16 EASOCT). O-Gary Barber, Wachtel Stable & Terp Racing LLC; B-Mr & Mrs Charles McGinnes & Tim Keefe (MD); T-Timothy L Keefe. $25,000.

Margins: 4, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 0.50, 21.20, 7.40.

Also Ran: Lone Rock, Tiz He the One, Factor It In, Honor the Fleet. Scratched: Wicked Trick, Wonderful Light.

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For the third consecutive stakes victory in Laurel’s GIII General George S. The Florida-bred forged to the front early but was soon overtaken by the rail-skimming Factor It In (The Factor) and Honor the Fleet (To Honor and Serve) who scooted up to his inside, carving out a quarter in :23.58. Patiently handled by the confident Irad Ortiz Jr., the 5-year-old wrested back the lead through a half in :46.90 and inched clear while drifting out several paths turning for home. Pouring it on late, Firenze Fire drew clear late to win with ease over Three Over Deuces.

“He broke so good out of the gate like always, and we didn't want to go to the lead, so I tried to stay away from there and tried to settle, and he relaxed so well,” said Ortiz, Jr. “I just sat right there and relaxed and, when I asked him, he just took off. I was confident the whole time, to be honest. He broke running and I felt like a winner all the time.”

Winning Owner Ron Lombardi said Firenze Fire is likely to run next in the GI Carter H at Aqueduct Apr. 4.

“He's invited to Dubai, but Dubai takes a lot out of horses,” said Lombardi. “I'm not ruling it out, but most likely we'll stay local, stay in the States and continue racing, rather than lose a couple of months with the traveling.”

Winner of his first two starts, including the GIIII Sanford S., Firenze Fire later added a score in the GII Champagne S. On the Triple Crown trail at three, he won the Jerome S. in January before finishing runner up in the GII Withers S. Fourth in both the GII Gotham and GII Wood Memorial, he tired to 11th in the Run for the Roses. Cut back in trip after that, he took the GII Dwyer S., was third in the GI H. Allen Jerkens S. before winning GII Gallant Bob S. He rounded out the season with a fourth in the GI Breeders’ Cup Dirt Mile.

In 2019, he added Belmont’s Runhappy S. in May before embarking on a five-race skein in Grade I company from June through November. Chief among those efforts was a runner-up finish to subsequent sprint champion Mitole (Es kendereya) in Saratoga’s Forego S. Aug. 24 followed by another second-place effort behind Imperial Hint (Imperialism) in the Vosburgh Invitational at Belmont Sept. 28. Fifth in the GI Breeders’ Cup Sprint at Santa Anita Nov. 2, he appreciated the class reprieve when scoring in Penn National’s Fabulous Strike S. Nov. 27. Most recently, he narrowly bested Happy Farm (Ghostzapper) in Aqueduct’s Gravesend S. Dec. 22.

Pedigree Notes:

In addition to Firenze Fire, My Every Wish is represented by 3-year-old Firenze Freedom (Istan), a second out winner at two before hitting the board in stakes company at Aqueduct last month. The 11-year-old mare produced a full brother to the Grade I winner last season and was bred back to Speightstown.

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Barbara Fritchie S. cont.

2--Victim of Love, 120, f, 4, Speightstown--Spacy Tracy, by Awesome Again. ($160,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP). O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Daniel J Burke (KY); T-Todd M Beattie. $50,000.

3--Anna’s Bandit, 120, m, 6, Great Notion--Onearmedbandit, by No Armistice. O-No Guts No Glory Farm; B/T-John Robb (WV). $25,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 10.10, 9.00, 6.20.

Also Ran: Needs Supervision, Blue Eyed Girl, Saguaro Row. 

Majestic Reason, just days after being crowned Maryland’s champion older mare of 2019, celebrated in style by becoming a graded-stakes winner in Saturday’s GIII Runhappy Barbara Fritchie S. at Laurel. Sharp at the break, the 10-1 chance was eased off the early pace by Trevor McCarthy, settling in a rail-hugging fourth as pacesetter Blue Eyed Girl (Super Saver)–prompted by Victim of Love–rolled through initial splits of :23.79 and :46.87. As Victim of Love overtook the stubborn Blue Eyed Girl approaching the quarter pole, Hillwood Stable and Richard Golden’s homebred took aim at the two front-runners, was fanned outward into the lane, ground her way to the front at the sixteenth pole and drew clear late to defeat Victim of Love. Anna’s Bandit closed for third.

“It worked out perfectly with two speed horses vying and we were able to sit right behind them,” explained McCarthy. “We had a nice easy pace. She’s a filly that doesn't like to be rushed. The seven-eighths was a bit of a question, but she got the right trip today.”

He added, “It was a great job by Graham [Motion]. It’s always special when we win races for Graham. He’s been the main supporter of my career and started me out. It’s a special moment. It’s definitely a race that has been on my bucket list for a while.”

Majestic Reason was a model of consistency in 2019, hitting the board six of seven starts. Following a pair of allowance scores earlier in the season, she finished third behind the talented Core Dancing (Malibu Moon) in the GII Gallant Bloom H. in September before finishing an uncharacteristically dull fifth behind Saguaro Row (Union Rags) in Aqueduct’s Pumpkin Pie S. Nov. 9. Partnered by McCarthy for the first time in the Dec. 7 Politely S. going six furlongs at Laurel, she came back to take the Willa On the Move S. over that track and trip Dec. 28.

“I wanted to put her away for the winter, but I just couldn’t not point for this race. It’s just too big a deal,” Motion said. “It’s a graded race, it’s right here at Laurel and she loves Laurel, and she was doing great coming off a big win. There was discussion about retiring her or giving her the winter off, but I’m glad we stayed the course.”

After the race, Motion wasn’t sure where Majestic Reason would run next.

“I don’t know--this was my target," he said. “I would like to give her a little freshening, even if it’s just kind of a month of not doing much and maybe look at the summer. I really haven’t thought about it. Maybe something at Pimlico. She loves this track, so there’s something to be said for keeping her here, too. I know I say it a lot, but she really is one of our favorites. She’s just a hard-knocking filly.”

Pedigree Notes:

The winner’s dam, Love’s Reason, is also responsible for stakes placed Jump for Love (Jump Start), in addition to a 3-year-old unraced son of Munnings named Artistic Reason and Heartful, an unraced juvenile filly by co-owner and -breeder Ellen Charles’s Bandbox. Last season, she produced a colt by Hard Spun and was bred back to Violence.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park
ROYAL DELTA S.-GIII, $150,000, Gulfstream, 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43.57, sy.

1--COOKIE DOUGH, 118, f, 4, by Brethren
1st Dam: Brooke’s Valentine, by Fusaichi Pegasus
2nd Dam: Jena Jena, by Dixieland Band
3rd Dam: With a Wink, by Clever Trick

1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. O/B-Arindel (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; J-Paco Lopez. $92,070. Lifetime Record: 13-3-3-4, $621,220. Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.
Royal Delta S. cont.
2--Golden Award, 124, m, 5, Medaglia d’Oro--Arch’s Gal Edith, by Arch. O-Summer Wind Equine; B-Harvey A. Clarke (KY); T-William I. Mott. $29,700.

3--Queen Nekia, 120, m, 5, Harlington--All Night Labor, by Double Honor. ($22,000 Ylg '16 EASRCT). O-Ken Copenhaver; B-Porter Racing Stable, LLC (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. $14,850.
Margins: 3/4, NO, 2 1/4. Odds: 1.60, 2.50, 8.50.
Also Ran: Tweeting, Coach Rocks, Restless Rider.
Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Sent back to Gold, she was a close second behind subsequent GII Inside Information S. victress Pink Sands (Tapit) in this venue’s GIII Rampart S. Dec. 14 and was transferred yet again to Joseph.

Pedigree Notes:
Cookie Dough is the first graded winner for her sire Brethren and one of four stakes winners by the son of Distorted Humor. She is the 31st graded winner out of a daughter of Fusaichi Pegasus. Brooke’s Valentine had just one foal after the winner, the SP 3-year-old colt named Poe (Brethren). She was bred to Brethren the last three years, including last spring.

Saturday, Fair Grounds
MINESHAFT S.-GIII, $200,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.40, ft.
1--SILVER DUST, 118, g, 6, by Tapit
1st Dam: Filare l’Oro (SW & GSP, $185,100), by Hard Spun
2nd Dam: Elusive Gold, by Strike the Gold
3rd Dam: Save My Soul, by I’ma Hell Raiser
($270,000 Ylg ’15 KEESEP; $510,000 2yo ’16 OBSMAR). O-Tom R. Durant; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun; J-Brian Joseph Hernandez, Jr. $120,000. Lifetime Record: 26-7-7-2, $822,277. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Gun It, 120, c, 4, Tapit--Miss Besilu, by Medaglia d’Oro.
($2,600,000 Ylg ’17 KEESEP). O-Whisper Hill Farm LLC and Three Chimneys Farm; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC and Besilu Stables, LLC (KY); T-Grant T. Forster. $20,000.
Margins: 3/4, 1 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.80, 30.70, 5.10.
Also Ran: Captivating Moon, Cutting Humor, Sleepy Eyes Todd, Hofburg, Winning Number, Mocito Rojo. Scratched: Roiland, Blended Citizen.
Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Cookie Dough made her first start for the Saffie Joseph barn a winning one, scoring her first graded victory in the Royal Delta. The bay pressed from an eager second as longshot Tweeting (Uncle Mo) clocked a :23.36 opening quarter and a half in :46.68. The Florida-bred took control with a half-mile left to run as favored Golden Award ranged up to confront her on her outside, but the Arindel homebred kept on finding in the homebred, holding Golden Award and Queen Nekia at bay.

“I’m very proud of her,” said Joseph. “She came from [trainer] Stan Gold. Her form spoke for itself. We just hoped we could get her to run as good as Stan because Stan did a great job.”

Cookie Dough started her career with Stanley Gold and was transferred to Kiaran McLaughlin after finishing third in the GII Black-Eyed Susan S. last May. Off the board in the GI Acorn S. June 8 in her first start for that barn, she was second next out in Belmont’s GIII Victory Ride S. July 5 and faded to fourth behind GSW Talk Veuve to Me (Violence) in a Saratoga optional claimer Aug. 11.
Silver Dust
Hodges photography

Mineshaft S. cont.

Looking to remain undefeated this year following a victory in the Jan. 18 GIII Louisiana S., Silver Dust made good on his 9-5 odds with a professional win in Saturday’s GIII Mineshaft S. at the Fair Grounds. Settled in a comfortable fourth as Pirate’s Punch (Shanghai Bobby) cut out a moderate opening quarter in :24.41, the grey inched his way closer to the front runner leaving the backstretch. Taken to the outside of the early leader for the stretch drive, he received strong encouragement from Brian Hernandez Jr. through the lane, and despite Gun It’s best closing effort, the gelding had enough left in the tank to repel his late-running foe. Pirate’s Punch rounded out the trifecta.

“This horse is just getting better and better,” said Hernandez Jr. “You just have to trust him. He is a little bit of a quirky horse from what I’ve seen. Jack [Gilligan] has done a great job riding him and I was fortunate enough to fill in. I learned from watching replays to stay out of his way and give him the most comfortable trip I can. That’s what we did today. He ran nice and when we turned for home he picked it up.”

Victorious in last year’s Mineshaft, Silver Dust finished runner-up in the nine-panel GII New Orleans H. at the Fair Grounds and Indiana’s Michael G. Schaefer Memorial S. before annexing the GIII West Virginia Governor’s S. at Mountaineer Park in August. In his seasonal finale, he was caught late and had to settle for second in the GIII Lukas Classic in September.

“We wish he was this good as a 3-year-old,” said owner Tom Durant. “But in all seriousness, this is my first 6-year-old to race. I have raced a lot of horses and I’ve never raced one this age. He seems to just be getting better and better as we go and I’m hoping he can continue to impress us.”

Pedigree Notes:

Silver Dust is bred on the same Tapit/Hard Spun cross as MGSw Souper Tapit. The winner is the first foal out of Filare l’Oro, who is also responsible for 3-year-old Forza Di Oro (Speightstown), who broke his maiden at second asking at Belmont in October. The 11-year-old mare produced an Empire Maker colt in 2018 and did not have a foal in 2019, but was bred to Frosted last spring. Silver Dust hails from the family of MGSw Stop Traffic (Cure the Blues), who is the dam of GI Whitney H. victor Cross Traffic (Unbridled’s Song).

Saturday, Fair Grounds

FAIR GROUNDS S.-GIII, $150,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:47.29, fm.

1--FACTOR THIS, 118, g, 5, by The Factor
   1st Dam: Capricious Miss (GB), by Singspiel (Ire)
   2nd Dam: White House (GB), by Pursuit of Love (GB)
   1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($2,700 Ylg ’16 KEESEP; $11,000 2yo ‘17 OBSAPR). O-Gaining Ground Racing LLC; B-Maccabee Farm (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Shaun Bridgmohan. $90,000.
   Lifetime Record: 27-8-3-4, $545,030. Werk Nick Rating: B.
   Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Synchrony, 118, h, 7, Tapit--Brownie Points, by Forest Wildcat. O-Pin Oak Stable; B-Pin Oak Stud, LLC (KY); T-Michael Stidham. $30,000.
3--Botswana, 118, g, 5, Graydar--Oculuna, by Century City ( Ire).
   O/T-Bentley Combs; B-Silverton Hill, LLC (KY). $15,000.
   Margins: 1, 4HF, HD. Odds: 8.40, 1.40, 51.10.
   Also Ran: Midnight Tea Time, Dontblamerocket, Honovi, Tone Broke, Spectacular Gem, Space Mountain, Classic Covey.
   Scratched: Sailing Solo, Captivating Moon, The Great Day (Arg), Wound Tight. Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
   VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Factor This took full advantage of fresh ground at the rail and perhaps a little ring-rustiness from favored Synchrony to cause a mild upset in Saturday’s GIII Fair Grounds S. in the Big Easy.

Able to secure the early lead without doing too much work to get there, Factor This covered the opening quarter-mile in :23.57 and backed down the pace some through the middle stages. Synchrony looked to be going well enough for Joe Bravo from fifth spot, saving every inch of ground from about five lengths behind. Cont. p14
Fair Grounds S. cont.

Factor This traveled strongly on the speed and cut the corner into the lane, remaining on what has appeared to be the best part of the track, while Synchrony pushed away from the inside and into the three path with a furlong and a half to race. The chalk was getting there late, but the wire came first for Factor This.

Claimed by these connections for $62,500 in August 2018, Factor This defeated Botswana (Graydar) by a head in the Kentucky Downs Preview Turf Cup at Ellis last August ahead of a fourth to recent GI Pegasus Turf Cup Invitational hero Zulu Alpha (Street Cry {Ire}) in the GIII Kentucky Turf Cup Sept. 7. The bay was exiting a third to Dontblamerocket (Blame) in the Jan. 18 Col. Bradley S. after being bumped in upper stretch.

Pedigree Notes:
The eighth graded winner for his leading fifth-crop sire, Factor This is out of an unplaced sister to 2010 G2 Ribblesdale S. runner-up Eldalil (GB) and a half to the dam of Cappella Sansevero (GB) (Showcasing (GB)), a Group 3 winner and third in the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. in Ireland and runner-up in the G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot, all at age two in 2014. His third dam was responsible for MGSW/MG1SP Whitewater Affair (GB) (Machiavellian), dam of Japanese champion and G1 Dubai World Cup hero Victoire Pisa (Jpn) (Neo Universe {Jpn}) and G1SW Asakusa Den’en (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}). Capricious Miss’s last listed produce is the unraced 3-year-old filly Favorite Impulse (Langfuhr).

PROMISING 3YOS BREEZE AT SANTA ANITA

C R K Stable’s Royal Act (American Pharoah), a gritty second to undefeated Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile) in the GII Robert B. Lewis S. Feb. 1 and fellow Lee Searing colorbearer Honor A. P. (Honor Code), an exceptionally impressive maiden winner when last seen over a mile last October, were each out for Saturday morning breezes over the Santa Anita main track.

A $500,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase, Royal Act was making his dirt debut in the Lewis and sat a very wide trip, but plugged on gamely to drop a 3/4-length decision. The bay went five-eighths of a mile in 1:01.20 (15/58) Saturday morning.

“This was his first work since the Lewis, so he'll let us know (where and when to run next),” trainer Peter Eurton said. “We'll have him nominated everywhere so we have several options. The more distance the better for him.”

Options include the GII TwinSpires.com Louisiana Derby Mar. 21, the GI Curlin Florida Derby Mar. 28 and the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 4.

Honor A. P. was a from-the-clouds second to recent GII San Vicente S. runner-up Ginobili (Munnings) on his six-furlong debut at Del Mar Aug. 17 and made many sit up and take notice with a 5 1/4-length graduation when stretched to a route of ground at Santa Anita Oct. 10. The $850,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling tuned up for his much-anticipated sophomore debut with a stamina-building seven-furlong move that was clocked in 1:27 Saturday morning (XBTV video).

FIRST FOAL FOR IRISH WAR CRY A COLT

The first foal by Northview Stallion Station’s Irish War Cry (Curlin–Irish Sovereign, by Polish Numbers) was born the evening of Feb. 12 at Blackstone Farm in Pennsylvania when Danu (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) delivered a chestnut colt. She is the second foal for her dam, who is herself out of a half-sister to champion juvenile Action This Day (Kris S.).

“From all reports he’s a big-boned, strapping colt,” said Martin Somers of High Kings Racing, who purchased Danu as a yearling in 2015. “This is our first time breeding and we were delighted that we could breed to such a stallion like Irish War Cry.”

New Jersey-bred Irish War Cry was a leading 3-year-old of his generation in 2017, winning the GII Lambholm South Fountain of Youth S. and GII Wood Memorial S. before finishing runner-up after setting the pace in the GI Belmont S. He added a 4 1/2-length success in the GIII Pimlico Special at four.
Irish War Cry covered 83 mares his first season. The syndicated 6-year-old stallion stands his second season for $6,500 live foal, payable when the foal stands and nurses.

Gov. Tom Wolf’s Move To End Horse Race Subsidy Is A Good Bet

For 16 years, Pennsylvania has been saddled with an obligation to prop up a flailing horse race industry. In 2004, the state legalized gaming in large part to create a channel of money to flow to the Race Horse Development Fund which supports breeders, owners, horses, farms, jockeys, and other racing-related expenses. Philadelphia Inquirer Editorial Board

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Monday, Oaklawn, post time: 5:43 p.m. EST

SOUTHWEST S.-GIII, $750,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

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I was hands-on, I was down in the trenches. And I loved it… I was an employee. But I watched that farm like I was a Hancock.
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**RAZORBACK H.-GIII, $500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m**

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SUNDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS
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5th-GP, $50K, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 2:34 p.m. ET

The well-bred Follow the Flag (Tapit) makes her debut here for Skara Glen Stables and trainer Michael Matz. The $675,000 KEENOV weanling is out of Grade I winner Mushka (Empire), herself a $1.6-million FTSAUG yearling; $2.4-million KEENOV ’08 seller; and $650,000 KEENOV ’16 graduate while carrying Follow the Flag. Mushka is a granddaughter of MGISW Lakeway (Seattle Slew). Follow the Flag shows an upbeat series of drills, mostly of late over the Palm Meadows sod—click for XBTV video of her Jan. 4 drill (5f, 1:04 1/5, 2/11). TJCIS PPs

4th-SA, $55K, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 5:00 p.m. ET

Lane Way (Into Mischief) ran into a Bob Baffert-trained juggernaut on debut, and he’ll face two more well-bred and high-priced runners from that Hall of Famer’s barn this time around. A $550,000 OBSMAR grad (2:21 1/5), the Richard Mandella pupil was third here Jan. 19 behind a ‘TDN Rising Star’-garnering performance by Nadal (Blame), who doubled up in the GII San Vicente S. last Sunday. Lane Way earned a solid 89 Beyer Speed Figure for his own debut outing. Pletcher’s pair in here are $700,000 KEESEP buy Charlatan (Speightstown), and $575,000 KEENOV weanling, $800,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga RNA and $410,000 Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream grad (10 3/5) J Z My Man (American Pharaoh). The former is out of MGSW and MGISP Authenticity (Quiet American), making him a half to SW Hanalei Moon (Malibu Moon). J Z My Man hails from a female family chock full of ‘Rising Stars,’ including his MSW dam J Z Warrior (Harlan’s Holiday). He prepped for this with a five-furlong local spin from the gate Feb. 11 (1:01.00, 5/50|XBTV Video). Fellow newcomer Capo Mafioso (Street Boss) is out of a full-sister to GSW My Sweet Addiction (Tiznow) and daughter of GSW Healthy Addiction (Boston Harbor). TJCIS PPs

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

DIXIE BELLE S., $122,500, Oaklawn, 2-15, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.46, ft.

1--RING LEADER, 119, f, 3, by Paynter
1st Dam: Ringmistress, by Bandini
2nd Dam: Jasminola (Fr), by Seattle Dancer
3rd Dam: Jasm, by Secretariat
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. ($80,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Novogratz Racing Stables Inc.; B-George Krikorian (KY); T-Mclean Robertson; J-Joseph Talamo. $75,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, $143,400. *10th SW for her sire (by Awesome Again).

$10,000 TWIN AWARD

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2--Specially, 118, f, 3, Tapiture--Peace Process, by War Front. ‘TDN Rising Star’. ($20,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; $40,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL; $475,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR). O-John C. Oxley; B-Ikhana Farm (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. $25,000.

3--Wasabi Girl, 119, f, 3, Shanghai Bobby--Tick Tick Boom, by Cuvee. ($75,000 Wlg '17 FTKNOV; $130,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL; $190,000 RNA 2yo '19 EASMAY). O-Winchell Thoroughbreds & Allen Creel; B-Highclere Inc. (KY); T-S. Asmussen. $12,500.

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Kept True*
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Kept True closed out 2019 with a state-bred allowance score over track and trip Dec. 20 and was second to the re-opposing Cash Offer in a sloppy renewal of the La Verdad S. Jan. 4. Favored to go one better this time, the homebred stalked from second as Stonesintheroad (Bustin Stones) ticked off an opening quarter in :23.03. Drawing even as the half went in :46.80, Kept True disposed of that rival in the lane and kicked clear to earn her black-type badge. It was the third win of the day for jockey Dylan Davis.

"Dylan [Davis] has obviously been doing great with her," said winning conditioner Leah Gyarmati. "She has always shown ability; it was just a matter of trying to figure out what her level is. Against open company that was obviously a different ball game. As time passes, I think she's getting a little better and stronger. Some horses don't bloom until they are four or five, and you have to have patience. She's obviously a very nice New York-bred filly."

Kept True is the 64th stakes winner for her late sire Yes It's True, whose champion daughter La Verdad won this race in 2014. The winner's third dam is champion sprinter Safely Kept.

Dixie Belle S. cont.
Margins: HF, 5HF, 3/4. Odds: 4.00, 0.70, 4.60.
Also Ran: Sassy Seneca, Miss Firecracker.
Ring Leader maintained her perfect record with a score over favored ‘TDN Rising Star’ Specially in the Listed Dixie Belle S. at Oaklawn Saturday evening. Second choice on the board, the bay, who broke her maiden at first asking at Canterbury Park in June and returned Jan. 24 to romp by 5 1/4 lengths in the mud locally, tracked from third behind an opening split of :22.48. She challenged three deep on the far turn and went on with it, turning into the home straight with all of the momentum. The $80,000 KEESSEP yearling maintained her rapidly shrinking advantage all the way to the line as the slow-starting Specially took a late dive at Ring Leader, but would ultimately miss by a half-length.

“She’s improving,” trainer Mac Robertson said. “Obviously, she went from winning by a head at Canterbury to winning by five at Oaklawn. That’s a big move. Usually when they make that big of a move, they make another one. I don’t think it’s foolish to be high on a horse like that. They always come again. When they come that much from 2 to 3, they always come again. It might not be next time. Might be in the fall or next year, but they come again. They get better."

The dam, whose lone win from 10 starts was a $12,500 maiden claimer going this trip over the Golden Gate synthetic in December of 2012, has a juvenile colt by Mshawish. A half-sister to SW Jazzy Gallop (Victory Gallop), she foaled a filly by Atreides Jan. 21. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
EL CAMINO REAL DERBY, $101,800, Golden Gate Fields, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:51.58, ft.

1--AZUL COAST, 122, c, 3, by Super Saver
   1st Dam: Sky Treasure (GSW, $492,426), by Sky Mesa
   2nd Dam: Preemptive Attack, by Smart Strike
   3rd Dam: Bold Ruritana, by Bold Ruckus ($150,000 Wlg ’17 KEENOV; $320,000 Ylg ’18 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Karl Watson, Michael E. Pegram & Paul Weitman; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Rafael Bejarano. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $104,000.

2--American Farmer, 122, c, 3, Bluegrass Cat--Farmers Wife, by Quiet American. O-BKB Stables LLC and Sherman, Steve; B-BKB Stables LLC (CA); T-Steve M. Sherman. $20,000.

3--Indian Peak, 122, c, 3, Comic Strip--Ms. Booty, by Roar. O-Jill & Dr. William T. Gray; B-William T. Gray (CA); T-Quinn Howey. $12,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 1HF. Odds: 1.30, 19.40, 3.60.

Also Ran: Wine and Whisky, The Stiff, Sacred Rider, Ajourneytofreedom, Czechmight, Final Final, Mysterious Stones, Praise Loudly.

Azul Coast won on debut going a mile on dirt at Los Alamitos Dec. 8 and was second to stablemate Authentic (Into Mischief) next out in the GII Sham S. going the same distance at Santa Anita Jan. 4.avored to go one better in this switch to synthetic, the Bob Baffert pupil raced in a two-wide fourth in the initial stages and was pushed out two paths rounding the first turn. Keeping a watchful eye on the leaders through a first half-mile in :49.13, the bay ranged up four wide turning for home, struck the front in mid-stretch and extended clear to earn 10 points towards the GI Kentucky Derby.

Azul Coast is the 25th stakes winner for his sire Super Saver and is bred on the same Super Saver/Sky Mesa cross as GSW & GISP I Spent It. He is the first foal out of Grade II-winner Sky Treasure, a half-sister to GSW Surgical Strike (Red Giant). She has since produced a 2-year-old filly and a yearling filly, both by Capitalist (Aus). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

ALBERT M. STALL MEMORIAL S., $100,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.25, fm.

1--SHE’SONTHEWARPATH, 118, f, 4, Declaration of War--Ha Ha Tonka (SW, $156,400), by Distorted Humor. O/B-Robert E. Low & Lawana L. Low (KY); T-Steve Margolis; J-Chantal Sutherland. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2, $228,705.

2--Mitchell Road, 122, m, 5, English Channel--Quake Lake, by War Chant. O-Mrs. J. V. Shields, Jr. and E. J. M. McFadden, Jr.; B-J. V. Shields (KY); T-William I. Mott. $20,000.

3--Quick Witted, 118, m, 6, Afleet Alex--Humoristic, by Sefapiano. O-Lorian Francesca Peralta-Ramos; B-Mrs. Arturo Peralta Ramos (KY); T-Ignacio Correas, IV. $10,000.


Also Ran: Notapradaprice, Zofelle (Ire), Quebec, Flower Party (Ire), Makealitlemischief, Don’t Tell Marge, Stave, Elsa, Irisa (Arg), Aife, May Lily. Scratched: Area, Makeme Dream.

She may have been a longshot, but She’sonthewarpath had won three straight last year—including the TaWee S. at Indiana Downs—after switching to both the turf and rider Chantal Sutherland. Stiffer competition proved too much for her at that stage, but she was going right again after a third in the Dec. 28 Pago Hop S. at Fair Grounds and most recently worked a 1:00 bullet for five furlongs in NOLA Feb. 7 (1/23).

After acting up in the gate, She’sonthewarpath broke sharply before being taken back to a mid-pack spot on the rail. They were stacked up in front of her coming off the turn, but the bay homebred willingly split horses, made the front, and was well clear as Mitchell Road chased her to the wire.

“We are just really proud of her,” said winning trainer Steve Margolis. “This filly has a lot of guts. After her last race we needed to give her some time. She is a fighter, and I told Chantal to just do your thing and try to get a good trip. When she called on her she really gave her a good punch and she kept going which is hard to do in a field like this.”

Dam Ha Ha Tonka is a half to MGSW and MGISP Catapult (Kitten’s Joy) and sold for $35,000 at the 2018 Keeneland November sale. Shipped to India after the sale, she produced a colt by Dialed In there last year. Her granddam was the outstanding sprinter Capote Belle (Capote), whose wins included the 1996 GI Test S. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
MIRACLE WOOD S., $100,000, Laurel, 2-15, 3yo, 1m, 1:38.38, ft.
1--LEBDA, 118, c, 3, by Raison d’Etat
  1st Dam: Lenders Way (MSP, $248,514), by Hook and Ladder
  2nd Dam: Stellar Maiden, by Raffie's Majesty
  3rd Dam: Triunfante, by Mt. Livermore
($1,000 Ylg ’18 EASOCT; $100,000 2yo ’19 EASDEC).

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Euro Stable; B-Calumet Farm (KY);
T-Claudio A. Gonzalez; J-Alex Cintron. $60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 7-3-1-2, $154,525.

2--Mine Not Mine, 118, c, 3, Golden Lad--Belterra, by Unbridled. ($72,000 Ylg ’18 EASOCT; $210,000 2yo ’19 EASDEC). O-Cash is King LLC, D. J. Stable LLC & LC Racing LLC;
B-Robert T Manfuso (MD); T-Brittany Russell. $20,000.

3--Romanoff, 118, g, 3, Fast Anna--Rey Lake, by Meadowlake. ($45,000 Ylg ’18 KEEJAN; $37,000 RNA Ylg ’18 KEESEP; $42,000 2yo ’19 EASMAY). O-Euro Stable; B-Avla Pitts (MD); T-Claudio A. Gonzalez. $10,000.


Lebda led home a one-two for recent graduates of the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic December Mixed sale while earning a belated first black-type victory. Receiving a strong 82 Beyer Speed Figure when stretching next-out G3 Prix du Bois S. winner Maven (American Pharoah) to a half-length in an April Aqueduct baby race, the dark bay broke through here in early May. He was shelved until an 11-length optional claiming score at Delaware Aug. 22, and outran 25-1 odds to finish third behind highly regarded ‘TDN Rising Star’ Dennis’ Moment (Tiznow) in the GII Iroquois S. under the Twin Spires Sept. 14. A distant last behind Independence Hall (Constitution) in the GIII Nashua S. at Aqueduct Nov. 3, he brought $100,000 as part of the dispersal of Joe Besecker’s holdings in Timonium. Remaining a member of the Claudio Gonzalez barn, he was one spot behind New Commission (Field Commission) when third in the seven-panel Heft S. here Dec. 28.

Away well from the rail inside of the badly stumbling heavy favorite Dreams Untold (Smarty Jones), Lebda took command at the fence as he traveled strongly through splits of :22.96 and :45.57. He batted away a head-turning move from the favorite around the bend, and was far in front to midstretch before being saved by the line from fast-finishing Mine Not Mine.

The winner’s Keen Ice now yearling half-brother was a $125,000 KEENOV ’19 grad. His dam visited Cloud Computing for 2020. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

JOHN B. CAMPBELL S., $99,000, Laurel, 2-15, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.46, ft.
1--ALWAYSMINING, 124, g, 4, Stay Thirsty--What Will Be, by Anees. ($32,000 Ylg ’17 KEEJAN; $130,000 Ylg ’17 KEESEP). O-Runnymoore Racing; B-Avla Pitts (MD); T-Kelly Rubley; J-Julian Pimentel. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 19-9-1-2, $536,442.

2--Monongahela, 122, h, 6, K One King--Record High, by Touch Gold. O-Dubb, Michael, Bethlehem Stables LLC and Aisquith, Gary; B-Gunpowder Farms LLC (PA); T-Jason Servis. $20,000.

3--Someday Jones, 124, h, 7, Smarty Jones--Last Toots, by Concern. O-Main Line Racing Stable, and Alexandria Stable;
B-Patricia L. Chapman (PA); T-John C. Servis. $10,000.

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, 3HF. Odds: 2.00, 1.30, 1.60.

Also Ran: Forewarned, Bonus Points. Scratched: Wait for It, Senior Investment.

Alwaysmining won six straight races at Laurel last term, capped by an 11 1/2-length romp in the Federico Tesio S. in April. Failing to fire in the GI Preakness S., he was fourth in the Easy Goer S., but was promoted to third through the DQ of the runner-up. A non-factor again in the GIII Indiana Derby July 13, the gelding was off the board in the local Howard and Sondra Bender Memorial S. Dec. 7, but improved to be second in the Native Dancer S. here three weeks later. He was last seen winning the state-bred Jennings S. over this strip Jan. 18.

Given a 2-1 chance in a field scratched down to five, Alwaysmining went right to the lead, loping along through leisurely early splits with Monongahela glued to his outside hip. That rival turned up the heat entering the far turn and the pair battled stride-for-stride down the lane with Alwaysmining eeking clear late for a neck success. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
JOHN BATTAGLIA MEMORIAL S., $95,150, Turfway, 2-14, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45.92, ft.
1--INVADER, 118, c, 3, by War Front
  1st Dam: Say (Ire) (GSW & G1SP-Ire & SP-Eng, $158,325), by Galileo (Ire)
  2nd Dam: Riskaverse, by Dynaformer
  3rd Dam: The Bink, by Seeking the Gold
($500,000 Vlg '18 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Cheyenne Stables, LLC, Grandview Equine and LNJ Foxwoods; B-Orpendale, Chelston & Wynatt (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward; J-Albin Jimenez. $60,140. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, $106,200.
*Full to Fog of War, GISW, $192,970; and Naval Intelligence, SW-Eng, $428,308.

2--High Holy, 118, c, 3, Great Notion--Altagracia, by Flatter
  O/B-Silverton Hill, LLC (KY); T-Darrin Miller. $14,550.
3--Toma Todo, 118, c, 3, English Channel--Henna, by Horse Chestnut (Saf). ($11,000 Vlg '17 KEENOV). O-Bloom Racing Stable LLC; B-B. P. Walden (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. $9,700.


Also Ran: My Man Flintstone, Ryan’s Cat, Artemus Eagle, Hail to the Chief, Bahama Channel. Scratched: Drew, Declared, Truculent, Shake Some Action.

CINCINNATI TROPHY S., $74,749, Turfway, 2-14, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.40, ft.
1--KARAK, 122, f, 3, Karakontie (Jpn)--Down The Well (Ire), by Mujadil
  ($22,000 Vlg '17 KEENOV; $30,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; $365,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR). O-Breeze Easy, LLC; B-Parrish Hill Farm, Amanda Roach Cole & Karakontie Syndicate (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward; J-Gerardo Corrales. $44,175. Lifetime Record: GSP 6-3-0-1, $160,175.
‘TDN Rising Star’ *1/2 to Aqua Frio (Uncle Mo), SW, $177,112.

2--Secretly Wicked, 120, f, 3, Wicked Strong--Secret Congrats, by Congrats
  ($1,300 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP). O/T-Jack Hancock; B-Nancy C. Shuford (KY). $14,250.
3--Fashion Code, 118, f, 3, Honor Code--Holiday Fashion, by Harlan's Holiday
  ($275,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Martin S. Schwartz; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Steve M. Asmussen. $7,125.

Margins: 8HF, 3 1/4, 1. Odds: 3.40, 37.00, 12.60.

Also Ran: Kay Bee Gee, Las Ramblas, Rising Seas, Snaffle, Anna’s Fast, Baileston Lassie, L. A. Star. Scratched: My Good Girl, Miss Firecracker.

‘TDN Rising Star’ *1/2 to Aqua Frio (Uncle Mo), SW, $177,112.

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Invader

After making his first four starts on turf, Invader broke through with a 12 3/4-length demolition in his first try on synthetic here Dec. 4. Given a 5-1 chance despite that performance in this step up to black-type company, the bay was off a beat slow, but quickly rushed up to stalk from a close third as High Holy clocked an opening quarter in :24.45. Turning up the heat on the pacesetter through a :48.71 half-mile, the $500,000 KEESEP buy drew even with the chalk turning for home and put him away in the lane, rolling clear to another dominant score.

“There were a couple of speed horses in there and I didn’t want to go to the lead too early,” said jockey Albin Jimenez. “I wanted to wait as long as I could, but he’s such a strong horse. By the three-eighths pole he was taking it by himself so I just him go.”

Invader is the 89th stakes winner for top international sire War Front. He is bred on the same War Front/Galileo cross as MGISWs Roly Poly and U S Navy Flag. His full-brother Fog of War won the GI Summer S. at Woodbine and his other full-brother Naval Intelligence was a stakes winner in England. His dam Say, a GSW & G1SP, is a daughter of MGISW Riskaverse (Dynaformer). This is also the family of Horse of the Year Havre de Grace (Saint Liam) and MGISW Tonalist (Tapit). Say did not have a foal in 2018 and her 2019 American Pharoah foal died. She was bred back to War Front last spring. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Elm Tree Farm Sales Graduate
Quickly disposing of that overmatched foe, she turned for home in front and powered clear with ease to win for fun. It was 8 3/4 lengths back to the runner-up.

Tabbed a ’TDN Rising Star’ off her impressive debut win at Belmont last May, Karak failed to fire next out when shipped across the pond for the Windsor Castle S. at Royal Ascot in June, but rebounded with a defeat of males in Monmouth’s Tyro S. in August. Fourth to undefeated Alms (City Zip) in Belmont’s GIII Matron S. Oct. 5, she was third last time in Aqueduct’s Stewart Manor S. Nov. 10.

Karak is one of three stakes winners from the first crop of GI Breeders’ Cup Mile victor Karakontie. Her dam produced a Violence filly in 2018 and an Animal Kingdom colt in 2019. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

Sugar Swirl S. at Gulfstream Dec. 14. Second against males in the Sunshine Millions Sprint Jan. 18, she returned to winning ways in typical box-to-wire fashion Saturday. Dam Broadway Martha sold for just $1,000 carrying a full-brother to Lady’s Island at the 2018 OBS Winter Mixed Sale. She was bred to Long On Value for 2020. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

MINARET S., $50,000, Tampa Bay Downs, 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.97, ft.
1--LADY’S ISLAND, 123, m, 6, Greatness--Broadway Martha, by Broad Brush. O-Matties Racing Stable LLC & Averill Racing LLC; B-Bailey Bolen (FL); T-Gerald S. Bennett; J-Emisael Jaramillo. $30,000. Lifetime Record: GSW, 28-14-4-3, $434,195.
2--Into Chocolate, 117, f, 4, Into Mischief--Candy Drawer, by Candy Ride (Arg). O/B-Pam & Martin Wygod (KY); T-William I. Mott. $10,000.
3--Caught Up in You, 117, f, 4, Fort Larned--Bluegrass Festival, by Bluegrass Cat. (S$9,000 RNA Wlg ’16 KEENOV). O-John A. Marceda; B-Firefly Farm Racing, LLC (FL); T-Robert A. Raymond. $5,000. 
Margins: 2, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.10, 4.10, 77.70.
Also Ran: Suzie’ssteppinout, Lovesick, Molto Bella, Sean’s Idea, Boujie Girl, Midtown Rose, Puntsville. Scratched: Proposition, Foxy Mischief.

Former claimer Lady’s Island was eight for nine with one second last season, capped by a 6 3/4-length romp in the GII

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
10th-Oaklawn, $86,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 2-15, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:43.93, ft.

BONNY SOUTH (f, 3, Munnings--Touch the Star, by Tapit) was favored in both her fourth-place debut beneath the Twin Spires Nov. 14 and when second past the post, but promoted to first, in her route bow at Fair Grounds Dec. 22. She was made the 7-1 chance trying allowance company for the first time here. Near the back of the pack through the early going, the chestnut began to improve approaching the far turn and made it all the way to third behind favored Perfect Happiness (Majesticperfection) on the far turn. That rival threw in the towel in early stretch and Shedaresthedevil (Daredevil) seized the baton, only to be tackled close home by Bonny South. Those two dueled briefly, but the Juddmonte colorbearer clawed past on the outside to win by three-quarters of a length. The winner’s dam is represented this year by juvenile filly Sun Path (Munnings). A half-sister to G1 Prix de la Foret heroine Etoile Montante (Miswaki), she also has a yearling colt by Munnings and is due to Quality Road. This is also the family of Group/Grade 1 winners Kings Will Dream (Ire) (Casamento {Ire}), Sightseek (Distant View), Tates Creek (Rahy), European highweighted juvenile filly Special Duty (GB) (Hennessy) and young Juddmonte sire Expert Eye (GB) (Acclamation {GB}). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $83,350. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. 
O/B-Juddmonte Farms, Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.
6th-Oaklawn, $86,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45.43, ft.

SOMETHING NATURAL (c, 3, Violence--Sheer Joy, by Gilded Time), fifth over a mile when unveiled at Ellis Park in July to subsequent Gill With Anticipation S. hero Fighting Seabees (Summer Front) and future SW and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf bridesmaid Billy Batts (City Zip), donned cap and gown two starts later at Indiana Downs Oct. 12. Unplaced in a sloppy Churchill Downs optional claimer Nov. 30, he was four lengths behind Wells Bayou (Lookin At Lucky) making his 3-year-old bow at that level in the mud locally Jan. 26. Sent off at 2-1 Saturday, the Brad Cox trainee tucked in behind the leading duo through a half-mile in :47.31. Content to maintain his ground-saving trip, until 5/16ths out, he tipped out a path, stormed to the front and kicked away to win by 1 1/2 lengths. Davidic Line (Line of David) rallied late to take second. The winner's dam foaled a filly by Daredevil in 2018. She was covered by both Cinco Charlie and Cloud Computing last spring. Sales history: $87,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; $160,000 Ylg '18 KEESUP; $130,000 2yo '19 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, $92,382. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Madaket Stables LLC, Kent Spellman & Ten Strike Racing; B-Julie Rini & Victor Zambrano (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

5th-Fair Grounds, $86,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51.80, ft.

SHAKE SOME ACTION (c, 3, Into Mischief--Tiz a Chick, by Tiznow) closed to be fifth on debut sprinting in the slop here Dec. 21 and was promoted to fourth after the DQ of the winner. He rallied to victory next out when switched to the lawn and stretched out to nine furlongs here Jan. 18. Given a 6-1 chance in this return to the main track, the dark bay raced off the rail in mid-pack through soft opening fractions. Popped the question on the backstretch, he readily responded with a three-wide move into contention on the turn for home. Seizing command in the lane, Shake Some Action repelled the late bid of co-favored $2-million OBSMAR topper Chestertown (Tapit) to win by a neck. Chestertown's entrymate Winning Impression (Paynter) was another 3/4 of a length back in third. The winner is the first foal out of Tiz a Chick, who has since produced the juvenile colt Tiz Me Again (Orb) and a yearling filly by Practical Joke. She was bred back to Bernardini. Tiz a Chick is a half to GSW Tizahit (Tiznow), who is the dam of GSW Come Dancing (Malibu Moon). Sales history: $235,000 Ylg '18 KEESUP; $340,000 RNA 2yo '19 OBSMAR; $300,000 2yo '19 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $62,700. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Rupp Racing; B-Edgar Scott Jr. & Jane MacElree (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

4th-Turfway, $45,100, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 2-15, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:11.52, ft.

MERCHANTS OF COOL (g, 3, Trappe Shot--Brie's Snowflake, by Tale of the Cat), a one-paced fourth in his racetrack unveiling at Keeneland last April, drew off to win by 10 1/2 lengths as the short-priced favorite trying the all-weather here going 6 1/2 furlongs Jan. 10. Sent off at 50 cents on the dollar Saturday, the gelding was dead last from the gate, but motored up toward midfield past a first quarter in :22.11. He inched by rivals down the backstretch and arrived at the head of affairs just inside the final quarter mile as the pacesetter tired. He appeared ready to go right on by all comers, but the stalking Dark Oak (Astrology) refused to yield against the inner, with the duo battling all the way to the line. Merchants of Cool won the bob by a head. Brie's Snowflake foaled a filly by Noble Mission (GB) last spring and was sent back to the Lane's End resident later that year. Merchants of Cool's second dam is a half-sister to the star-crossed GI King's Bishop S. hero Lost in the Fog (Lost Soldier). Sales history: $10,000 Ylg '18 KEESUP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $59,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/T-Wesley A. Ward; B-Dixiana Farms LLC (KY).

8th-Delta Downs, $34,000, Alw, 2-14, (NW2L), 3yo, 7 1/2f, 1:33.82, ft.

DR. FORMAN (g, 3, Bodemeister--Back Flip (SP), by Super Saver) wired the field on debut at this oval Dec. 6 and rallied to be second next out at Sam Houston Jan. 18. Sent off as the 8-5 second choice, the gelding vied for early control with Parlay Pete (Cajun Breeze) and out-dueled that rival in the lane, kicking clear to win by 1 1/4 lengths. The winner is the first foal out of Back Flip, who has since produced a juvenile filly by Pioneerof the Nile and a yearling filly by Ghostzapper. She was bred back to Bolt d'Oro. Sales history: $180,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESUP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $46,980. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Allied Racing Stable, LLC (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun.
8th-Mahoning Valley, $31,300, (S), Alw, 2-15, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.46, ft.
CHIP CHOP (g, 3, Twirling Candy--Floral Park, by Forest Wildcat) won on debut over track and trip Oct. 14 and was given a 5-2 chance to repeat here. Left at the break, the bay regrouped and surged up onto the heels of the top three through a quick first quarter. Slipping through on the fence to grab the lead entering the far turn, Chip Chop rolled clear to win by 6 1/2 lengths. The winner is a half to Heavenhasmynikki (Majestic Warrior), GSW, $426,730; Floral Sky (Sky Mesa), SW, $206,732; and Doug's Buddy (Badge of Silver), MSW, $213,959. Floral Park produced a Runhappy colt in 2018 and visited Lookin At Lucky last year. Sales history: $70,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.
Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $36,780. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
O/B-Langsem Farm, Inc (OH); T-William D. Cowans.

1st-Aqueduct, $68,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:19.38, ft.
PATROL (c, 3, Liam’s Map--Jenny's So Great (GSW, $678,438), by Greatness), sent off the 5-2 choice after a series of progressive works, settled in fourth early as Speaking of Credit (Mr. Speaker)--tracked closely by favored Twelth Man (Super Saver)--raced through an opening quarter in :22.64. Turning for home, the favorite took control while Patrol was boxed in between rivals and in need of racing room. Finding daylight in the lane, Patrol powered past the oncoming Sixteen Tons (Bodemeister) and collared Twelth Man late en route to a 1 1/2-length victory. Subsequent to Patrol, GSW Jenny's So Great foaled a colt by Orb and a filly by Practical Joke last season. She was bred back to Bolt d'Oro. Sales history: $190,000 Ylg '18 KESEP; $350,000 2yo '19 KEAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $37,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Gary Barber and ERJ Racing LLC; B-Woods Edge Farm, LLC (KY); T-Joe Sharp.

2nd-Oaklawn, $85,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 6f, 1:10.38, ft.
SYCAMORE RUN (c, 3, Street Sense--Dattt Echo (MSP, $119,085), by Stormy Atlantic) was a sharp 3 1/2-length debut winner in the Fair Grounds slop Dec. 21, but finished a distant 12th in the GIII Lecomte S. on the stretch out there Jan. 18. He was subsequently DQ'd from his debut for a positive test for levamisole--one of eight at Fair Grounds for the Joe Sharp barn--but found himself a heavy favorite to again graduate from the maiden ranks in this event that carried a purse worth $40,000 more than the one he scored in first out. Content to press the pace in second before taking over entering the bend, the 3-5 favorite shook off pesky Plane Talk (Conveyance) approaching the stretch and kicked away by a convincing 5 1/4 lengths from there. The winner is out of a half-sister to GISW Mani Bhavan (Storm Boot), GSW Hear the Ghost (Ghostzapper) and SW/GISP Closing Bell (Tapit). This is the extended female family of leading sire Speightstown. Dattt Echo has a 2-year-old filly by Frosted and visited Collected for 2020. Sales history: $175,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $51,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Scott & Evan Dilworth; B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Joe Sharp.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
5th-Oaklawn, $85,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 6f, 1:09.83, ft.
PNEUMATIC (c, 3, Uncle Mo--Teardrop (SP), by Tapit) stumbled a few steps out of the gate in this unveiling, but didn’t let it hinder his quest for a diploma at first asking. He settled mid-pack, ranged up on the outside coming off the turn, and wore down the late-leading and fellow firster Skol Factor (The Factor) to prevail by a long neck, paying $10.80 for the win. The first foal for his dam, a full- or half-sister to GI winner Pyro (Pulpit), was a sharp 3 1/2-length debut winner over track and trip Oct. 14 and was given a 5-2 chance from his debut for a positive test for levamisole--one of eight at Fair Grounds for the Joe Sharp barn--but found himself a heavy favorite to again graduate from the maiden ranks in this event that carried a purse worth $40,000 more than the one he scored in first out. Content to press the pace in second before taking over entering the bend, the 3-5 favorite shook off pesky Plane Talk (Conveyance) approaching the stretch and kicked away by a convincing 5 1/4 lengths from there. The winner is out of a half-sister to GISW Mani Bhavan (Storm Boot), GSW Hear the Ghost (Ghostzapper) and SW/GISP Closing Bell (Tapit). This is the extended female family of leading sire Speightstown. Dattt Echo has a 2-year-old filly by Frosted and visited Collected for 2020. Sales history: $175,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $51,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Scott & Evan Dilworth; B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Joe Sharp.

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OUT OF ORDER OF PURSE:
2nd-Aqueduct, $85,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 6f, 1:10.38, ft.
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O-Scott & Evan Dilworth; B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Joe Sharp.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
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O-Scott & Evan Dilworth; B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Joe Sharp.

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- Optional Claiming Races: purses of $20,000/up
- Maiden Special Weight Races: purses of $18,000/up
- Maiden Claiming Races: purses of $18,000/up & a minimum claiming price of $40,000
4th-Aqueduct, $60,000, (S), Msw, 2-15, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:26.70, ft. STONEZAPPER (f, 3, Ghostzapper--Stone Maker, by Empire Maker) was a distant second first up at the Big A Jan. 17 and was the 19-10 narrow second choice here for a strong second-out barn. Showing increased gate speed this time, the Valente homebred pressed from second out in the clear through splits of :23.46 and :47.88. She took over at the head of the lane, and was always doing plenty to deny Sharp Starr (Munnings) by 2 1/4 lengths. The winner's dam is a half-sister to GISW and New York-based sire Bustin Stones (City Zip). She has a 2-year-old colt by Congrats and a yearling filly by Creative Cause and was bred back to Twirling Candy. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $45,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O/B-Roddy J Valente (NY); T-Linda Rice.

7th-Oaklawn, $60,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.22, ft. LEXI ON THE MOVE (f, 3, Fast Anna--Invalida, by Street Cry {Ire}) was 4-1 to make her debut a winning one and delivered. Not far off a :21.99 and :45.56 opening pace, Lexi On the Move tipped to the outside coming off the turn and had her mind on winning. She needed nothing more than an animated hand ride to pull clear of Catechism (Karakontie {Jpn}) by 2 3/4 lengths in late stretch. The winner’s unraced dam has a juvenile filly by Will Take Charge and a yearling filly by Super Saver. She is a daughter of 2010 GI Ruffian Invitational S. winner Malibu Prayer (Malibu Moon), who brought $2 million at Keeneland’s 2011 November sale. Sales History: $40,000 Ylg ’18 KEESEP; $47,000 RNA 2yo ’19 OBSAPR; $160,000 2yo ’19 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $36,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Highlander Training Center; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro.

3rd-Fair Grounds, $50,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.40, ft. AIN’T NO ELMERS (f, 3, Goldencents--Voussoir, by Arch) boasted some snappy works over this strip in preparation for this career bow and was dispatched at 5-2. Seizing the early advantage, the bay zipped through early splits of :21.74 and :45.48. Showing the way into the lane, she cruised clear to graduate by 6 1/2 lengths. Salacioususacation (Jersey Town) filled the place spot. The winner has a juvenile half-brother named Mr. Wireless (Dialed In) and a yearling half-sister also by Dialed In. Voussoir was bred back to Street Sense last term. Sales history: $37,000 RNA Ylg ’18 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $30,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Jon Lapczenski & John Kerber; B-John Kerber (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun.

4th-Fair Grounds, $50,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.94, fm. AUBURN HILLS (c, 3, Palace Malice--Timeless Silver, by Silver Deputy) was third and second in Woodbine all-weather routes during the month of November, and dead-heated for runner-up honors going a sixteenth longer than this Jan. 18. Backed at 6-1 to break through against a full field and while shedding the blinkers that he’d worn since his second start, the chestnut grabbed the early advantage and never relinquished it as he dug in late to repel the bid of Free Spender (Super Saver) by a bobbing head. The winner is half to Eighty Nine Red (Bold Executive), SW, $235,116; and Silver Princess (Old Forester), SW, $129,309. His dam, who is out of MGSW and MGISP Bourbon Belle (Storm Boot) and therefore a half to Canadian champion Queen’s Plate winner Not Bourbon (Not Impossible {Ire}), visited another son of Curlin in Good Magic for 2020. Sales history: $225,000 Ylg ’18 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, $57,693. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Cheyenne Stables, LLC, Grandview Equine & LNJ Foxwoods; B-James Everatt, Janeane Everatt, Arika Everatt-Meeuse & Tim Meeuse (ON); T-Josie Carroll.
3rd-Laurel, $45,320, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18.38, ft.
MAMA’S GREY GHOST {f, 3, Violence--Merchant, by Silver Ghost} finished second going a furlong farther than this Jan. 18, and was installed the 3-2 favorite to go one better. Away alertly, she was locked onto the pacesetter while sitting three wide down the backside. She took over in upper stretch, and kicked away convincingly to run up the score to 3 1/4 lengths. Longshot firster Special Freedom (Freedom Child) spaced out in the stretch. The winner is half to Distintoydiferente (Banker’s Gold), Ch. Imp. Sprinter-Pan, SW-Pan; and Indyanne (Indian Charlie), MGSw, $449,870. She has a 2-year-old half-sister named Katie’s Day (Carpe Diem). Sales history: $140,000 Ylg ’18 KEESEP; $100,000 2yo ’19 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0, $31,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Raymond L. Davis & Super C Racing Inc.; B-Offshoot Farm, LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

3rd-Gulfstream, $43,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, m, 1:35.03, sy.
ATTACHMENT RATE {c, 3, Hard Spun--Aristra, by Afleet Alex} failed to show much in a Churchill sprint last June behind subsequent MGSw Scabbard (More Than Ready), but he resurfaced here Jan. 25 and flew home from far back to finish a close second at 50-1 odds. Given a 3-1 chance this time getting an extra furlong to work with and in a driving rain, the chestnut moved through rivals and found a foothold at the rail in a distant third behind a freewinging 99-1 shot into the turn. Able to work his way off the fence to avoid that plummeting pacesetter hitting the turn for home, he sparred with well-backed Rag Tag (Union Rags) before shaking that one off and being clear with green strides to roll home by 6 1/4 lengths. The winner is half to a Classic Empire yearling filly and his dam, who hails from the female family of Grade I winners Hymn Book (Arch) and Data Link (War Front). Citizen Advocate’s only foal since Money Moves is a yearling filly by More Than Ready. Sales history: $975,000 2yo ’19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $25,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Robert V. LaPenta & Bortolazzo Stable LLC; B-Whitehall Lane Farm (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

7th-Gulfstream, $43,000, Msw, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/8m (off turf), 1:52.17, sy.
TAPAGE {c, 3, Tapit--Hystericalady {GISW, $2,390,556}, by Distorted Humor} failed to hit the board in her first five attempts on the main track and did not do any better when trying turf last time here Jan. 18. Sent off at 5-1 in this off-the-turf affair, the homebred was off a step slower than the rest from his rail draw and settled in sixth on the fence through the early stages. Swung out four wide turning for home, the chestnut battled the top two down the lane and wore them down late to win by a half-length. Or’effice (Medaglia d’Oro) was the runner-up. The winner is a half to Lady Montdore (Medaglia d’Oro), GSW & GISP-US & GSP-Fr, $318,642. Grade I-winning multimillionaire Hystericalady—a $3-million KEENOV buy and daughter of Chilean champion Sacramentada (Chi) (Northair)—produced a Frosted filly in 2018 and was bred back to Medaglia d’Oro last spring. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-0, $32,350. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Kiaran P. McLaughlin.

1st-Laurel, $39,600, Msw, 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.22, ft.
SONG OF THE NIGHT {f, 4, Tiznow--Northern Station {SW, $181,680}, by Street Cry {Ire}}, who made her first two career starts with Jerry Hollendorfer sprinting in California, was runner-up in the more recent of the two at Pleasanton last June. Third in her only start for Jonathan Wong going a mile at Del Mar in August, she resurfaced with Todd Beattie last month, finishing a close-up second while negotiating a sixteenth shorter here Jan. 18. Pounded down to 1-20 favoritism this time, the Tommy Town homebred was a hair behind her competition exiting the gate, but soon made her way to the fore, carving out a quarter in :23.12. Cont. p11
**LRL1 - Song of the Night**

Comfortably in front into the far turn, Song of the Night was five lengths clear at the quarter pole and continued to extend from there, winning by 12 3/4 lengths over 22-1 longshot Lady Licious (Bobalicious). The half to Barbados (Speightstown), GSW, $377,241, has an unraced half-sister by Uncle Mo named Honor and Praise and a yearling half-brother by Candy Ride (Arg). Northern Station was bred back to Kitten’s Joy. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-2, $47,320. 

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O/B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC LLC (KY); T-Todd Beattie.

**9th-Golden Gate Fields, $32,280, Msw, 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10.80, ft.**

JUSTALITTLEVIOLENT (f, 4, Violence--Little Sandy (SP), by Speightstown) rallied to be third on debut on dirt at Fresno Oct. 12 and was given a 7-2 chance to improve in this switch to synthetic. The bay missed the break and her jockey pulled hard on her left rein to correct course once she made it out of the stalls. Trailing the field early, the $50,000 KEENOV buy was still last, but has closed the gap a bit with two furlongs left to run. Three wide at the top of the lane, Justalittleleftviolet swiftly picked off rivals and sailed clear with ease to win by two lengths before galloping out wide past the rail. Illapawnie (Warrior’s Reward) was the runner-up. Third in the Coronation Cup S., Little Sandy is responsible for 3-year-old colt Lil Red Corvette (Orb), a juvenile colt by Blame and a yearling half-brother to the winner by Vancouver (Aus). Justalittleviolet’s dam is also a half-sister to GII Honeymoon S. victress Paved (Quality Road), second in the GI Rodeo Drive S. Sales history: $50,000 Wlg ’16 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $21,120.

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O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Jonathan Wong.

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SUNDAY, FEB. 16**

American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile), Ashford Stud, private 318 foals of racing age/30 winners/5 black-type winners
4-Santa Anita, Msw 6f, J Z MY MAN, 5-1 $575,000 KEE NOV wnl; $800,000 RNA FTS AUG yrl; $410,000 FTF MAR 2yo
5-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/8mT, LIPSTIKLIESNLOVERS, 12-1 $145,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill ’n’ Dale Farms, $15,000 157 foals of racing age/26 winners/0 black-type winners 1-Santa Anita, Msw 5 1/2fT, BELLA VITA, 5-2 $75,000 FTK OCT yrl; $400,000 OBS APR 2yo 8-Aqueduct, $100K Gander S., 1m, BOURBON BAY, 2-1 $205,000 SAR AUG yrl; $240,000 RNA FTF MAR 2yo

The Big Beast (Yes It’s True), Ocala Stud, $6,000 102 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners 10-Gulfstream, Alw 5fT, HEAR MY PRAYER, 7-2 $16,000 OBS OCT yrl

Carpe Diem (Giant’s Causeway), WinStar Farm, $15,000 231 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners 5-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/8mT, BREEZY MONEY, 8-1 $115,000 KEE NOV wnl; $150,000 FTK OCT yrl; $195,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Competitive Edge (Super Saver), Ashford Stud, $12,500 155 foals of racing age/32 winners/4 black-type winners 4-Santa Anita, Msw 6f, SHOOTERS SHOOT, 6-1 $90,000 KEE NOV wnl; $70,000 KEE SEP yrl; $300,000 OBS APR 2yo

Constitution (Tapit), WinStar Farm, $40,000 233 foals of racing age/31 winners/5 black-type winners 8-Fair Grounds, Msw 5 1/2fT, BREEZY MONEY, 8-1 $90,000 KEE SEP yrl

7-Santa Anita, $100K GII Sweet Life S., 5 1/2fT, LAURA’S LIGHT, 6-5 $95,000 KEE NOV wnl; $25,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
**Governor Charlie** (Midnight Lute), Lovacres Ranch, $3,000
59 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Santa Anita, Aoc 1mT, BALTIMORE BEECHO, 15-1

**Honor Code** (A.P. Indy), Lane's End Farm, $30,000
213 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Santa Anita, $100K GIII Sweet Life S., 5 1/2fT, ROADRUNNER'S HONOR, 12-1
$55,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $100,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Imagining** (Giant's Causeway), Anchor & Hope Farm, $7,500
98 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Laurel, Wmc 1m, LADY FOX, 7-2

**Liam's Map** (Unbridled's Song), Lane's End Farm, $35,000
232 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
10-Gulfstream, Alw 5fT, COMPENSATE, 8-1
$55,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $100,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Micromanage** (Medaglia d'Oro), Rockridge Stud, $4,000
60 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Aqueduct, $100K GIII Sweet Life S., 5 1/2fT, MICROSCOPE, 12-1

**Palace Malice** (Curlin), Three Chimneys Farm, $25,000
211 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, Msw 5 1/2fT, DON'TSHOWWEAKNESS, 10-1
3-Aqueduct, Msw 1m, INVETERATE, 4-1
$400,000 KEE SEP yrl; $230,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo
7-Sunland, Msw 5 1/2f, PALACE REVENGE, 8-1
$3,000 KEE SEP yrl
7-Santa Anita, $100K GIII Sweet Life S., 5 1/2fT, SPITEFULNESS, 15-1
$29,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

**Tapiture** (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
246 foals of racing age/32 winners/3 black-type winners
5-Gulfstream, Msw 1 1/8fT, MISS CHEENY, 50-1
$22,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $3,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Tonalist** (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, $15,000
179 foals of racing age/20 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Laurel, Wmc 1m, GAUZY, 2-1
$29,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $36,000 EAS OCT yrl

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**Dublin Pharaoh**, c, 3, **American Pharoah**. See “Britain”.

**IN ITALY:**

**Danse de Guerre**, f, 4, **Declaration of War**--Stormy Tak, by Mutakddim. Siracuse, 2-15, Hcp. (£5.5k), 1700mT. Lifetime Record: 23-3-3. O-Scuderia Jerone di En.Gi. S. B-Pauleeanna Thoroughbreds (FL). T-Stefano Postiglione. *$25,000 Ylg ’17 FTKFEB; $2,200 Ylg ’17 OBSOCT.

**IN SINGAPORE:**

**Fame Star**, g, 5, **Twirling Candy**--Fanlight Fanny (SP-Eng), by Lear Fan. Kranji, 2-15, Alw ($72k), 1200mT, 1:09.31. B-George W Brown MD (KY). **$39,000 2yo ’17 OBSJUN. **VIDEO

**IN AUSTRALIA:**

**Mount Tabora**, g, 4, **Scat Daddy**--Canterbury Lace, by Danehill. Flemington, 2-15, Hcp. ($84k), 1600mT, 1:35.86. B-Barronstown Stud (KY). **1/2 to Chachamaidee (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9.5f, G1SW-Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, $650,743; J Wonder (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), MGSW-Eng, $190,113; and California Whip (ex Giant Whip) (Giant's Causeway), GSW-HK, $1,399,447. **$750,000 Wlg ’16 KEENOV.

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STAKES RESULTS:

**COLONEL POWER S.,** $100,000, Fair Grounds, 2-15, 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.15, fm.
1—**JUST MIGHT, 118, g, 4, Justin Phillip—Dynamite Babe, by Dynaemaux. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Griffon Farms & Michelle Lovell (KY); T-Michelle Lovell; J-Colby J. Hernandez. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 14-3-4-4, $172,007.

2—**Chaos Theory, 118, g, 5, Curlin--Chaotic Cat, by Tale of the Cat. ($260,000 Wlg '15 KEENOV; $42,000 3yo '18 KEENOV).** O-Detampel, Marc, Sunshine State Racing, LLC and Bottle Rocket Stable; B-Bluewater Sales & Mike Carpenter (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. $20,000.

3—**Fast Boat, 118, g, 5, City Zip--Yellow Boat, by Lemon Drop Kid. ($95,000 RNA 4yo '19 FTKHRA).** O-Brad Grady; B-R. S. Evans (KY); T-Joe Sharp. $10,000.


**WIDE COUNTRY S.,** $100,000, Laurel, 2-15, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:24.01, ft.
1—**NAUGHTY THOUGHTS, 118, f, 3, by The Factor**
   1st Dam: Sweet Thoughts (MSW & GSP, $327,450), by A.P. Indy
   2nd Dam: Sweet Catomine, by Storm Cat
   3rd Dam: Sweet Life, by Kris S. ($3,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Rafael Lopez; B-Maryland Mare Venture, LLC (MD); T-Jonathan Maldonado; J-Jevian Toledo. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 15-4-5-4, $189,397.

2—**Princess Cadey, 118, f, 3, Dialed In--Dyrce, by Sandpit (Brz). ($28,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; $16,000 Ylg '18 KEENOV).** O-Magic Stable, LLC; B-Martin J Keogh & Tanya Johnson (KY); T-Claudio A. Gonzalez. $20,000.

3—**She'smysunshine, 118, f, 3, Golden Lad--Hopefully, by Officer. ($1,000 Ylg '18 EASOCT).** O-Emerald Racing Stable LLC; B-Krystina & Ramon Fernandez (MD); T-Herold Whylie. $10,000.

Margins: 4 3/4, 1, HF. Odds: 8.10, 7.30, 42.30.

**PELICAN S.,** $75,000, Tampa Bay Downs, 2-15, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.24, ft.
1—**KILLYBEGS CAPTAIN, 122, h, 6, Mizzen Mast--Al Maha, by Holy Bull.** ($20,000 Ylg '15 KEESSEP; $75,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR).
   O-Curragh Stables; B-H. Allen Poindexter (KY); T-John P. Terranova II; J-Samy Camacho. $45,000. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 26-7-5-3, $572,453.

2—**He Hate Me, 118, g, 5, Algorithms--Quiet Holiday, by Harlan’s Holiday. ($90,000 Ylg '16 FTKJUL).** O-Sagamore Farm LLC; B-Mike Mareina & Nathan Mitts (FL); T-Heath Lawrence; J-Kassie Guglielmino. $29,760. Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-1, $53,115.

3—**Wind of Change (Brz), 122, h, 5, Forestry--Academia Real, by Banker’s Gold.** O-Alonso, Amancio and Some In Time, Inc.; B-Haras Sao Jose da Serra (BRZ); T-Efren Loza, Jr.. $7,500. Margins: 3/4, 1, HF. Odds: 8.50, 22.60, 1.60.

TURF PARADISE DERBY, (NB) $50,000, Turf Paradise, 2-15, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46.50, ft.
1—**SWAGSATIONAL, 122, g, 3, Gallant Son--Bullysima, by Holy Bull.** O-Keith Swagerty; B-Keith & Jan Swagerty (WA); T-Heath Lawrence; J-Kassie Guglielmino. $29,760. Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-1, $53,115.

2—**Wicked Winnings, 122, g, 3, Dialed In--Knight Raider, by Tribunal. ($57,000 Ylg '18 WASSEP).** O-Tim M. Bankers; B-Nina M Hagen & Holly Sturgeon (WA); T-Manuel Ortiz, Sr. $9,600.

3—**Race Home, 122, g, 3, Race Day--Head for Home, by Whiskey Wisdom. ($29,000 Ylg '18 WASSEP).** O-Tim M. Bankers; B-Columbiana Farm LLC (KY); T-Manuel Ortiz, Sr. $4,800.

Margins: 3/4, 1, NO. Odds: 2.00, 3.00, 13.40.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Oaklawn, $89,000, (C)/Opt. Clm ($75,000), 2-15, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.48, ft.

**MOJO MAN (g, 5, Stay Thirsty--Cooking Mama, by Bandini)**
   Lifetime Record: 18-4-2-3, $60,000. O-Rafael Lopez; B-Maryland Mare Venture, LLC (MD); T-Jonathan Maldonado; J-Ramini. $40,000. Lifetime Record: 18-4-2-3, $60,000.

7th-Aqueduct, $70,224, (S), 2-15, (NW1$X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:12.44, ft.

**BRONX BOMBER (g, 4, Take Charge Indy--Latin Lynx, by Forest Wildcat)**
   Lifetime Record: 15-4-2-1, $169,556. O-Dash C. Goff; B-Rose Hill Farm (KY); T-James P. DiVito; J-Kassie Guglielmino. *$15,000 Ylg '16 FTKOCT; $100,000 2yo '17 OBSAPR.
3rd-Aqueduct, $65,600, (S), 2-15, (NW1$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.78, ft.  
LITTLE SONG (f, 4, Curlin--Sister Diane, by Giant’s Causeway)  
Lifetime Record: 11-4-0-1, $99,440. O-Gumpster Stable LLC; B-Milfer Farm Inc. (NY); T-Ralph D’Alessandro. *$210,000 Ylg ’17 SARAUG.

9th-Laurel, $54,474, 2-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.65, ft.  
STROLL SMOKIN (g, 5, Stroll--Glackety, by Smoke Glacken)  
Lifetime Record: MSP, 20-6-2-6, $200,449. O-No Guts No Glory Farm; B-Barak Farm (MD); T-John J. Robb.

8th-Parx Racing, $49,568, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($35,000), 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:43.67, ft.  
CANDY ASSET (g, 6, Candy Ride {Arg}--Unbridled Essence {GSW, $324,957}, by Essence of Dubai)  
Lifetime Record: 22-5-3-5, $105,487. O-Matthew T. Groff; B-Red Oak Stable (KY); T-Phil Schoenthal. *1/2 to Unbridled Daddy (Scat Daddy), GSP, $199,566.

9th-Parx Racing, $47,000, 2-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.69, ft.  
WHISTLING BIRDS (c, 4, Jimmy Creed--Unshuttered, by Unbridled)  
Lifetime Record: 12-2-5-0, $117,374. O-Bran Jam Stable & David W. Clark; B-Pinnacle Farms Bloodstock LLC (NY); T-Louis C. Linder, Jr. *$30,000 Ylg ’18 OBSAPR.

3rd-Charles Town, $29,000, (S), 2-15, (NW3L), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:28.75, ft.  
CANDYFORACAUSE (f, 3, Charitable Man--Candy One, by Yankee Victor)  
Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-2-1-1, $59,001. O/B-Ricardo Bailey; B-Spring Farm (ON). *C$7,000 RNA Ylg ’18 CANSEP; $7,500 2yo ’19 OBSOPN.

8th-Gulfstream, $44,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($16,000), 2-15, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:37.43, sy.  
SOUPER JAGUAR (g, 4, Quality Road--Giant Cats Eye (GSP, $146,639), by Giant’s Causeway)  
Lifetime Record: 12-2-5-2, $111,230. O-Live Oak Plantation; B-Live Oak Stud (FL); T-Mark E. Casse.

2nd-Mahoning Valley, $23,500, 2-15, (NW2L), 3yo, 6f, 1:09.27, gd.  
JAMAICAN MAGIC (c, 3, Magician {Ire}--Lyndenshire, by Langfuhr)  
Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-0, $37,201. O/T-Ricardo Bailey; B-Spring Farm (ON). *C$7,000 RNA Ylg ’18 CANSEP; $7,500 2yo ’19 OBSOPN.

3rd-Tampa Bay Downs, $22,750, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($32,000), 2-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.59, fm.  
JOY NIDERA (ARG) (m, 5, Fortify--Stormy Nimble {Arg} {MG1SW-Arg}, by Bernstein)  
Lifetime Record: GSW & MG1SP-Arg, 10-3-2-0, $78,340. O-Red Magic, Inc.; B-La Biznaga (ARG); T-Ignacio Correas, IV. *1/2 to Hat Ninja (Arg) (Hat Trick {Jpn}), MGSW-Arg; full to Nastia (Arg), G1SW-Arg.

ADDITIONAL MAIDENWINNERS:  
It'smyintension, f, 3, Americain--Seetsang, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Charles Town, 2-14, (S), 4 1/2f, 1:54.94. B-John D. McKee (WV).  
ERNIE BANKS (g, 5, Grazen--Chelcee’s Hope (SP, $237,123), by Bartok {Ire})  
Lifetime Record: 22-5-4-4, $85,806. O-Battle Born Racing Stable; B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Jonathan Wong.

8th-Sunland, $31,100, (S), 2-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19.05, ft.  
SCARLET STREAK (m, 5, Roman Emperor--Where’s Scarlet, by In Excess {Ire})  
Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-1, $65,247. O/B-Gallegos del Norte Racing (NM); T-Jose R. Gonzalez, Jr.

9th-Gulfstream, $44,000, (S), (NW1$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.43, ft.  
SOUPER JAGUAR (g, 4, Quality Road--Giant Cats Eye (GSP, $146,639), by Giant’s Causeway)  
Lifetime Record: 12-2-5-2, $111,230. O-Live Oak Plantation; B-Live Oak Stud (FL); T-Mark E. Casse.

3rd-Charles Town, $29,000, (S), 2-15, (NW3L), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:28.75, ft.  
CANDYFORACAUSE (f, 3, Charitable Man--Candy One, by Yankee Victor)  
Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-2-1-1, $59,001. O/B-Ricardo Bailey; B-Spring Farm (ON). *C$7,000 RNA Ylg ’18 CANSEP; $7,500 2yo ’19 OBSOPN.

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Lifetime Record: 22-5-4-4, $85,806. O-Battle Born Racing Stable; B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Jonathan Wong.
Fort Knox, c, 3, Goldencents--America's Lady, by Quiet American. Fair Grounds, 2-15, 1 1/8m, 1:51.86. B-Dormellito Stud & David Purvis (KY). *$50,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.

Akna, f, 3, Oxbow--Alexandria Wa, by Bluegrass Cat. Parx Racing, 2-15, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.41. B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA). *$50,000 Ylg '18 FTKJUL; $30,000 2yo '19 EASMAY.

Special Treasure, f, 3, Special Rate--Borrego's Treasure, by Borrego. Sam Houston Race, 2-14, (C), 1mT, 1:39.13. B-Leslie Clemmer (OK).

Enemy Runner, c, 3, Tapiture--Diamondsontohewater, by Scat Daddy. Mahoning Valley, 2-15, (S), 6f, 1:09.81. B-Mary Lourdes Pinckney (OH). *$190,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.

Audrey's Time, f, 3, Uncle Mo--Unforgotten (MSW & MGSP, $609,038), by Northern Afleet. Fair Grounds, 2-15, 1mT, 1:36.50. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). *$185,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP. **1/2 to Silverpocketsfull (Indian Charlie), GISP, $137,671.

Valiant Appeal, g, 4, Adios Charlie--Sweetly Valid, by Sweetchoumunsaint. Sam Houston Race, 2-14, 6 1/2f, 1:17.71. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *$38,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Are You Kidding Me (Run Away and Hide), Ch. Older Horse x2-Can, MGSw, $1,318,090.

Second Coming, f, 4, Ghostzapper--Sweet Awakening, by Street Cry (Ire). Gulfstream, 2-15, 7f (off turf), 1:25.23. B-Aaron Sones, John Bates, Ron Kirk & Michael Riordan (KY). *$140,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; $310,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.


Insurrection, g, 4, Revolutionary--Miss Marl, by Bwana Charlie. Sam Houston Race, 2-14, (C), 1m, 1:41.09. B-William Garrison (NY). *$35,000 Wlg '16 FTNMIX; $50,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.


Oh Pretty Woman, m, 5, Scat Daddy--Monkey Face, by Bertrando. Santa Anita, 2-14, (S), 1mT, 1:36.25. B-Donald Valpredo & Martin Jones (CA).
Palace Malice was represented by three winners Saturday, including a new graded winner in Mr. Monomoy.

INTO MISCHIEF, Shake Some Action, c, 3, o/o Tiz a Chick, by Tiznow. AOC, 2-15, Fair Grounds

JAMES STREET, Coast of Roan, g, 4, o/o Susan B Good, by Good Journey. AOC, 2-15, Santa Anita

JIMMY CREED, Whistling Birds, c, 4, o/o Unshuttered, by Unbridled. ALW, 2-15, Parx Racing

JUMP START, Sky Jumper, g, 4, o/o Dakota Sky, by War Chant. MCL, 2-15, Santa Anita

JUSTIN PHILLIP, Just Might, g, 4, o/o Dynamite Babe, by Dynaformer. Colonel Power S., 2-15, Fair Grounds

KARAKONTIE (JPN), Karak, f, 3, o/o Down The Well (Ire), by Mujadil. Cincinnati Trophy S., 2-14, Turfway

KITTEN'S JOY, Jurgen, c, 3, o/o Dixie in Pink, by Dixieland Band. MSW, 2-15, Santa Anita

LIAM'S MAP, Patrol, c, 3, o/o Jenny’s So Great, by Greatness. MSW, 2-15, Aqueduct

MAGICIAN (IRE), Jamaican Magic, c, 3, o/o Lyndenshire, by Langfuhr. ALW, 2-15, Mahoning Valley

MAJESTIC WARRIOR, Majestic Reason, m, 5, o/o Love’s Reason, by Not For Love. GIII Runhappy Barbara Fritchie S., 2-15, Laurel

MIZZEN MAST, Killybegs Captain, h, 6, o/o Al Maha, by Holy Bull. Pelican S., 2-15, Tampa Bay

MUNNINGS, Bonny South, f, 3, o/o Touch the Star, by Tapit.

AOC, 2-15, Oaklawn

MUNNINGS, Finite, f, 3, o/o Remit, by Tapit. GII Rachel Alexandra S. presented by Fasig-Tipton, 2-15, Fair Grounds

ORB, Chrystal Sphere, c, 3, o/o Christina d’Oro, by Medaglia d’Oro. MSW, 2-15, Fair Grounds

ORB, Der Lu, f, 4, o/o Taboo, by Forestry. AOC, 2-14, Santa Anita

OXBOW, Akna, f, 3, o/o Alexandria Wa, by Bluegrass Cat. MSW, 2-15, Parx Racing

PALACE MALICE, Auburn Hills, c, 3, o/o Timeless Silver, by Silver Deputy. MSW, 2-15, Fair Grounds

PALACE MALICE, Mirabell Mei, f, 3, o/o Two Harbors, by Pulpit. MSW, 2-15, Tampa Bay

PALACE MALICE, Mr. Monomoy, c, 3, o/o Drumette, by Henny Hughes. GII Risen Star S. presented by Lamarque Ford, 2-15, Fair Grounds

PAYNTER, Ring Leader, f, 3, o/o Ringmistress, by Bandini. Dixie Belle S., 2-15, Oaklawn

POINT OF ENTRY, Bye Bye Nicky, f, 4, o/o Bye Bye Buffy, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 2-15, Tampa Bay

POSEIDON’S WARRIOR, Firenze Fire, h, 5, o/o My Every Wish, by Langfuhr. GIII General George S., 2-15, Laurel

QUALITY ROAD, High Road, f, 4, o/o Miss Squeal, by Smart Strike. ALW, 2-15, Gulfstream
UNCLE MO, Modernist, c, 3, o/o Symbolic Gesture, by Bernardini. GII Risen Star S. presented by Lamarque Ford, 2-15, Fair Grounds

UNCLE MO, Pneumatic, c, 3, o/o Teardrop, by Tapit. MSW, 2-15, Oaklawn

VIOLENCE, Mama's Grey Ghost, f, 3, o/o Merchant, by Silver Ghost. MSW, 2-15, Laurel

VIOLENCE, Something Natural, c, 3, o/o Sheer Joy, by Gilded Time. AOC, 2-15, Oaklawn

YES IT'S TRUE, Kept True, f, 4, o/o Well Kept, by Henny Hughes. Broadway S., 2-15, Aqueduct
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HAGGAS'S GLOBAL SPRING CHALLENGE

By Emma Berry

The grass gallops are now open on Newmarket's Warren Hill—a sure sign that spring is on the way, and formerly part of the traditional countdown to the start of the Flat season. These days, however, the top-class Flat action barely stops throughout the year which means that before the wraps come off the British turf season at Doncaster on Mar. 28, a number of the town's trainers will already have had some of their leading lights in action around the world.

This spring promises to have a more international outlook than usual for William Haggas and his team, who are set to have runners at the inaugural Saudi Cup meeting, the Dubai International Racing Carnival and The Championships in Sydney. For the latter, two of the stable's residents, Addeybb (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) and Young Rascal (Fr) (Intello {Ger}), went into quarantine last week.

"I've always harboured this desire to do the Australian gig. Even after Ascot last year with Addeybb I mentioned to his team that I fancied having a crack at the QE2 next April and now we're on our way," says Haggas.

The trainer is referring to the 6-year-old's victory at the Royal Meeting in the Listed Wolferton S., in which the heavy rain for the early part of week very much played to the gelding's strengths. In fact, it's almost two years since the mud-loving Addeybb stepped out on turf which wasn't described either as soft or heavy. Cont. p2

CHAMPION HANAGAN HOSPITALIZED AFTER NEWCASTLE FALL

Jockey Paul Hanagan was taken to hospital after a fall from Requinto Dawn in the #BetYourWay At Betway H. at Newcastle. Hanagan's mount appeared to clip heels before stumbling a furlong out in the sprint handicap, the penultimate race on Saturday's all-weather evening card. The dual Flat champion jockey was attended by medics on course, and a Tweet on Newcastle's official account shortly afterwards provided a brief update.

It read, "Following an unfortunate incident in race seven, Paul Hanagan has been attended to by medical staff on the track, he is conscious and has been taken to hospital for further assessment."

Hanagan appeared to be thrown clear from Richard Fahey's Requinto Dawn (Ire) (Requinto {Ire}), who galloped away without suffering any obvious injury.

Weighing-room colleague Barry McHugh, speaking after he had ridden the winner of the final race on the card, provided a positive report on Hanagan's condition. Cont. p4

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

TWO RISEN STAR DIVISIONS PROVIDE 3YO CLARITY

Saturday's GII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds was split into two divisions, with Mr. Monomoy (Palace Malice) and Modernist (Uncle Mo), saluting respectively. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.
William Haggas Cont. from p1

He went on to win the G3 Rose of Lancaster S. after finishing runner-up in the G2 York S., and he rounded off his 2019 season back at Ascot, where he finished third in the G1 Champion S.

Haggas is understandably hoping that there will be a repeat of the wet tracks found in Sydney in recent Australian autumns.

He says, "It's a little bit of a different soft, not quite an English soft, more soft on top and fast underneath, but they are having rain now in Sydney and a lot of the tracks have had cancellations recently with waterlogging. Hopefully that will seep in and if we get lucky that will suit him really well. It's a risk you have to take. The race is worth over £1,000,000 to the winner and he won't run for that in England until the Champion S., so he has a bit of time to get over it."

Owned by Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum, the consistent Addeybb has become quite a favourite at Haggas's Somerville Lodge, which is no surprise given that he's won seven races through his four seasons in training there and has been in the first three on another four occasions.

"He's a marvellous horse, very genuine. He's just got better and better, and I'm definitely going to try him over further this year, over a mile and a half," Haggas says. "He's a thoroughly genuine mile-and-a-quarter horse, and a good galloping horse, and when he gets his conditions he's pretty effective. He's not difficult to ride either."

On the plane to Australia alongside Addeybb will be Bernard Kantor's Young Rascal, a potential runner in the G1 Sydney Cup. The 5-year-old shouldn't be inconvenienced by soft ground either, as he bagged a pair of Group 3 wins on soft and good-to-soft turf at Newbury as a 3-year-old after finishing seventh in the Derby. Gelded last spring, he added victory in a listed contest on the all-weather to this record in November before a fact-finding mission to Hong Kong.

"We deliberately took him to Hong Kong to see how he would travel," says Haggas. "We knew the ground would be too fast for him but he'd had the summer off and came back and won a listed race at Kempton so, there we were, all gassed up in great form with no race. He was a little bit nervy with the travelling but he travelled back well and I think that experience will have done him good." Cont. p3

10TH GROUP ONE WINNER FOR

LOPE DE VEGA

Sire of GYTRASH, a very impressive winner of the Group 1 Black Caviar Lightning Stakes at Flemington yesterday.

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William Haggas Cont.

He adds, "I hope that he will take the travelling to Australia in his stride and that he does enough in Sydney to warrant a trip back to Melbourne in November."

Haggas is certainly a good traveller himself, with an international outlook that is a must for trainers of large strings these days. His sole winner in Australia to date is OTI Racing’s Fastnet Tempest (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), though various former residents of his stable have ended up Down Under, including the G1 Doomben Cup winner Beaten Up (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}), who was bred by the trainer’s father Brian, and Dal Harraild (GB) (Champs Elysees {GB}). Another, Raheen House (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), the full-brother to Sydney Cup winner Shraaoh (Ire), has recently joined the stable of Kris Lees.

The timing of The Championships at Randwick in early April is not the easiest for many European runners but, for the right horse, the valuable prizes on offer make the races worthy of consideration, according to Haggas, who says, "I had dinner with Peter and Frances Stanley years ago and John and Kris Messara were there. John was telling us about the concept of the Autumn Carnival—it hadn’t started then—but his enthusiasm left a real imprint in my mind. It’s always been on my radar but I haven’t had the horses that I thought were right. Young Rascal could run here in the John Porter for £30,000 to the winner, and it’s a competitive race, not an easy race to win, so it doesn’t really need a whole heap of brains to work out that it’s worth going."

He adds, "I like Australia, I like the racing and I like the people, so I’m keen to give it a go. We’re taking two good types."

Before Haggas returns to Australia, he and his wife Maureen, a key asset in the success of the Somerville Lodge team, will be accruing plenty of airmiles with several trips to the Gulf.

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IN TDN AUS/NZ TODAY

GYTRASH DELIVERS UPSET LIGHTNING WIN

Gytrash (Aus) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) salutes in the G1 Black Caviar Lightning S. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.
William Haggas Cont.
The useful 109-rated Momkin (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}) has recently joined the yard from Roger Charlton and he is entered for the Turf Sprint at the Saudi Cup meeting on Feb. 29 for his Saudi Arabian owner-breeder Prince A A Faisal.

"I fear that the distance will be too short for him in Saudi," Haggas notes. "It's 6 3/4 furlongs and I think he wants a mile, but his owner and I are very keen to support the day. He has an invitation so we are hoping that he might run well fresh. In Australia they do it all the time—run first time over a shorter distance and they can run really well, so we are hoping that might happen. He’s due to go for a racecourse gallop next week and then he will go to Saudi on Saturday. I'd love Momkin's race to be a mile, but it's on turf and he loves fast ground, so we'll see."

He adds of the meeting, "It's a very exciting concept and it's another fantastic opportunity for horsemen. Here is a country which had nothing internationally and now all of a sudden there's $29 million on the table. They've timed it well so it can go hand in glove with Dubai and then go on to Saudi."

Completing the international quartet is Pablo Escobarr (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who has already had his passport stamped for Dubai once this year but is temporarily back in Newmarket. Hussain Alabbes Lootah’s 4-year-old finished runner-up to the David Simcock-trained Universal Order (GB) (Universal {Ire}) in the Listed Dubai Racing Club Classic on Jan. 2 and has the option of a first run at a mile and six furlongs in the G3 Nad Al Sheba Trophy on Feb. 27 or the G2 Dubai City of Gold over two furlongs shorter on Super Saturday [Mar. 7.]

"I asked Mr. Lootah if I could bring him back after his first run and he’s due to leave on Saturday," Haggas explains. "He has to qualify to run on World Cup night and I just fancy stepping up in trip for his next run. He gave a bit of weight to David's horse in the handicap in January but he was beaten quite comfortably so I wondered if he was quick enough for a better race at a mile and a half. I thought it would be a nice option to go up in trip so I put him in the Dubai Gold Cup just in case he improves for the step up to a mile and six. He’s a very tough, handy horse and he could develop into a Melbourne Cup horse too."

Haggas also has plenty to look forward to on the home front this year with a strengthened team, which includes stable star One Master (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), the dual winner of the G1 Qatar Prix de la Foret. Sportingly, her owner-breeders Roy and Gretchen Jackson of Lael Stables have kept the mare in training as a 6-year-old at the stable which was once home to her dam Enticing (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) and grandam Superstar Leo (Ire) (College Chapel {GB}).

"We've got lots of nice horses this year," he says. "Our owners have really upped their game and we've got to start looking at these international contests as well as the big ones at home. When I started racing there was hardly any racing on the Flat anywhere after November. Now it's all over the world."

Hanagan Hospitalized Cont. from p1
McHugh told Sky Sports Racing, "He's moving, and that's the main thing. We're all worried about him—we're close-knit, and I'm probably going to nip over to Newcastle (hospital) to check in that he's okay. I'm sure they'll keep him in tonight. But it's a good sign that he's talking, and he's moving."

GSW & MG1SP KACHY INJURED, PUT DOWN
GSW and MG1SP Kachy (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}--Dubai Bounty {GB}, by Dubai Destination), raced by Dave Lowe, suffered a fatal injury at Lingfield on Saturday.

Tom Dascombe’s speedster was lining up in Saturday’s Heed Your Hunch At Betway H., after his planned appearance in the Listed Cleves S. two weeks ago was scuppered by a last-minute setback. After Kachy broke in his usual electric style, he took a false step as the race began in earnest and was swiftly pulled up by Richard Kingscote. The race was won by James Fanshawe’s Harry’s Bar (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}). It was later announced the £52,000 Doncaster Premier yearling had been put down.

Lowe tweeted, "RIP big fella. You were our world and will be missed forever." Cont. p5
Kacy Cont.

A winner of nine of his 28 starts and with $643,623 in earnings, the Denniff Farms Ltd.-bred won the 2015 G3 Molecomb S., the 2018/19 editions of the Listed Cleves S. and was runner-up in the 2016 Commonwealth Cup. He was also third in both last year’s G1 Diamond Jubilee S. and the 2018 G2 Temple S.

Under his third dam is MGSW Beat the Bank (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}).

Lingfield also paid tribute, tweeting, "We would like to offer our huge condolences to the connections of Kacy, who suffered a fatal injury in race three this afternoon. A true champion, he will live long in the memory of everyone at Lingfield Park."

Saturday’s Result:
2nd-Lingfield, £5,300, Novice, 2-15, 3yo, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:41.50, st.

DUBLIN PHARAOH (c, 3, American Pharoah--Wile Cat, by Storm Cat), third last time in a novice over this trip at Newcastle in December, was sent up to race behind the leading trio early. Wound up to challenge Behind the Wall (Ire) (Society Rock {Aus}) approaching the last half-furlong, the 5-6 favourite was quickly past and on to a 1 1/2-length success. The first foal out of the dam was Shumoos (Distorted Humor), who captured the G3 Sirenia S. and was placed in the G2 Queen Mary S. and G2 Cherry Hinton S., GSW-Eng & GSP-US, $242,321. The second dam is the GI Spinaway S. and GI Matron S. heroine Strategic Maneuver (Cryptoclearance), who produced the group-winning sire Ishiguru (Danzig) and the GII La Canada S. scorer Cat Fighter also by Storm Cat. Wile Cat’s yearling colt is by Pioneerof the Nile, after which she was bred to American Pharoah and Pioneerof the Nile. Sales history: $190,000 RNA Wlg ‘17 KEENOV; $375,000 Ylg ‘18 KEESEP; 375,000gns RNA 2yo ‘19 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $6,148. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Damien Brennan; B-Springhouse Farm (KY); T-Roger Varian.

5th-Newcastle, £5,300, Novice, 2-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:45.13, st.

MANAABIT (IRE) (f, 3, Kodiak {GB}--Pilates {Ire}, by Shamardal), fifth last time over this trip at Kempton Jan. 29, broke well to lead from the outset. Keeping up the gallop inside the final quarter mile, the 9-1 shot held off Rideson (GB) (Golden Horn {GB}) to score by a half length. The dam, whose 2-year-old full-sister to the winner sold for 130,000gns Ylg ’18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $4,474. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Mount Armstrong Stud (IRE); T-William Haggas.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:
Salsada (Ire), f, 3, Mukhadram (GB)--Mokaraba (GB), by Unfuwain. Newcastle, 2-15, 8f 5y (AWT), 1:44.23. B-Tinnakill Bloodstock (IRE). **£24,000 Ylg ‘18 TIRSEP; 75,000gns 2yo ‘19 TATHIT. **1/2 to Qaraaba (GB) (Shamardal), GSW-US, $171,119, & to Kifaah (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSP-UAE, $225,811.
Saturday's Results:
PRIX SAONOIS-Listed, €52,000, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 2-15, 4yo/up, 8f (AWT), 1:34.68, st.

1--VOLFANGO (IRE), 125, h, 6, Dutch Art (GB)--Celebre Vadala (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Peintre Celebre. 'TDN Rising Star'. O/B-SCEA Haras De Saint Pair (IRE); T-Fabrice Vermeulen; J-Maxime Guyon. €26,000. Lifetime Record: 19-6-0-2, €149,620. *1/2 to Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}), G1SW-Fr & GSW-Ger, $943,175.

2--Bowerman (GB), 125, g, 6, Dutch Art (GB)--Jamboretta (Ire), by Danehill. (150,000gns Ylg '15 TAOCT; 52,000gns HRA '19 TATJUL). O-Total Recall Racing Club; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB); T-Adrian McGuinness. €10,400.

3--Rocquemont (Fr), 125, c, 4, Anodin (Ire)--Rebecca's Filly (Fr), by Elusive City. (€23,000 Wlg '16 ARDEC; €60,000 Ylg '17 ARAUG). O-Gerard Augustin-Normand, Georges Duca & Mme Laurence Samoun; B-C & S Thomas (FR); T-Christophe Escuder. €7,800.

Margins: 3/4, 1, 2. Odds: 4.80, 1.80, 2.20.
Also Ran: We Ride the World (Ire), Carlton Choice (Ire), Nadeem Alward (Fr), Esperitum (Fr), Dream of Words (Ire).

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Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

7th-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €28,000, Cond, 2-15, 3yo, c, 2150mT, 2:19.90, sf.
PORT GUILLAUME (FR) (c, 3, Le Havre {Ire}--Keira {Fr}, by Turtle Bowl (Ire)), off the mark by six lengths on the all-weather here Jan. 23, was restrained in rear early under a confident Cristian Demuro. Brought up the rail with his challenge in early straight, the 9-10 favourite rolled by The Manager (Fr) (Charm Spirit {Ire}) 150 metres from the post en route to a comfortable 1 1/2-length win. The winner is a full-brother to Aubevoye (Fr), SW-Fr, $162,259. The dam, who also has the 2-year-old colt Portbail (Fr) (Rajsaman {Fr}) and the yearling colt Collandres (Fr) (Recorder {GB}), is a full-sister to the triple group-placed Anahita (Fr) and the dual group-placed Lakalas (Fr) and also a half to the listed scorer Shutterbug (Fr) (Soldier of Fortune {Ire}). Sales history: €55,000 Ylg '18 AROCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €24,500. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Claudio Marzocco, Bernard Benaych & Jean-Claude Rouget; B-Franklin Finance S.A., Mme E Ribard & S Vidal (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

2nd-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €21,000, Mdn, 2-15, 3yo, f, 10f (AWT), 2:04.48, st.
DILALA (FR) (f, 3, Makfi {GB}--Descar {Ger}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), runner-up over this course and distance on debut Jan. 23, was awkwardly away before being settled towards the rear. Travelling strongly but needing a gap in the straight, the even-money favourite was out in time to reel in Ascot Grey (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}) 100 metres from the line en route to a 1 1/2-length success. The first foal out of the dam, who is a full-sister to the G2 Henkel-Rennen (German 1000 Guineas) heroine Diacada (Ger), was the dual listed-placed Douala (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) who went on to produce two black-type performers including the triple group-placed Drummer (Ger) (Duke of Marmalade {Ire}). This is the family of the GI Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup hero Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), the GII Ballston Spa S. scorer Daveron (Ger) (Black Sam Bellamy {Ire}) and her graded-stakes winners March to the Arch (Arch) and Global Access (Giant's Causeway).

After Dilala, Desca's 2018 progeny is a son of Waldpark (Ger).

3rd-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €21,000, Mdn, 2-15, 3yo, c/g, 10f (AWT), 2:02.24, st.
LOQUITO (GB) (c, 3, Night of Thunder {Ire}--Mujabaha {GB}, by Redoute's Choice {Aus}), sixth on debut over this course and distance Jan. 23, showed early speed to race in a close-up second. Cont. p7
3rd-Cagnes-sur-Mer Cont.
Committed on the front end with two furlongs remaining, the 28-1 outsider stayed on strongly to record a two-length verdict over Stranger (Fr) (Charm Spirit {Ire}). The first foal out of the unraced dam was Magnanime (GB) (Elusive City), who was successful in the Listed Prix Finlande and was a half to the great Nashwan and Nayef and the G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Coronation S. heroine Ghanati (Giant’s Causeway). Her yearling filly is by Almanzor (Fr). Sales history: €21,000 Wlg ’17 ARDEC; €42,000 Ylg ’18 AROCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €13,700. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.
O-Ecurie Griezmann; B-Haras D’Etrem (GB); T-P Decouz.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:
Blackwood (Fr), c, 3, Manduro (Ger)--Diamond Fever (Ire), by Fasliyev. Machecoul, 2-15, 2350mT, 2:44.59. B-Mme S Boulin Redouly (FR).

EXULTANT CAN PUNCH DUBAI TICKET IN HONG KONG GOLD CUP by Alan Carasso

Champion Hong Kong stayer Exultant (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) can earn a long-awaited trip overseas with a strong performance in Sunday’s G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup (2000m) at Sha Tin Racecourse, with the US$6-million G1 Dubai Sheema Classic (2410m) on the horizon.

Winner of the 2018 G1 Longines Hong Kong Vase (2400m), the horse formerly trained by Mick Halford as Irish correspondent landed this event, but focused on a domestic campaign that saw him close the season victoriously in the G1 Standard Chartered Champions & Chater Cup (2400m). Cont. p8
HK Preview Cont.
Third from a high draw in defence of his Vase title this past December, Exultant gave Glorious Dragon (Ire) (Teofilo (Ire)) 20 pounds and a 1 1/2-length beating as the 3-2 choice in the Jan. 23 G3 Centenary Vase H. It’s level weights Sunday and all systems go for the 6-year-old.

“He came out of his last run very good, he pulled up fine, he hardly lost any weight—he feels much stronger than last year,” trainer Tony Cruz told the HKJC’s Declan Schuster, before adding, “hopefully we can go places with him because he’s invited to go to Dubai.”

Sunday’s co-featured G1 Queen’s Silver Jubilee Cup (1400m) has attracted the descendant Beat the Clock (Aus) (Hinchinbrook (Aus)) who takes on two-time defending QSC winner and Horse of the Year Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road to Rock (Aus)). The former is in flying form heading into Sunday’s tilt, having won the G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint and G1 Centenary Sprint Cup in his two most recent appearances. Beat the Clock finished runner-up to Beauty Generation in 2018 and 2019 and can finally get the upper hand, but the champion—though he has dropped four in a row—showed renewed signs of life when second to Waikuku (Ire) (Harbour Watch (Ire)) in the 2019 G3 Daily Hai Queen Cup on Saturday. Sitting in a ground-saving third through the early stages, she slid smoothly up the fence and into second as In the Movie (Jpn) (Real Impact (Jpn)) galloped along many lengths in front. Undeterred by the large margin to overcome, the grey began to let down strongly at the 400-metre mark, collared the leader a furlong out and stayed on in determined fashion to fend off the late rush of Magic Castle. The margin was a neck, with Seiun Venus’s a rallying third, 3/4s of a length back.

Pedigree Notes
The winner is the 149th black-type winner and 124th group winner for her late sire. In addition, she is the eighth foal from her dam, the Listed Mermaid S. third Miss Pascali. Miyamazakura is a full-sister to Mount Robson (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)), GSW-Jpn, $1,087,073; and Popocatepetl (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)), G1SP-Jpn, $1,177,516 and a half to the dam of Japanese group placers Gruyeres (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)) and Ice Bubble (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)) and Ice Bubble (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)).

Saturday, Tokyo, Japan
DAILY HAI QUEEN CUP-G3, ¥67,300,000
(US$613,080/E469,863/E565,970), Tokyo, 2-15, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:34.00, fm.
1--MIYAMAZAKURA (JPN), 119, f, 3, Deep Impact (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Miss Pascali (Jpn), by Mr.Greeley
   2nd Dam: Blue Avenue, by Classic Go Go
   3rd Dam: Eliza Blue, by Icecapade
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Makoto Kaneko
   Holdings; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Hideaki Fujiwara; J-Yuichi
   Fukunaga. ¥35,490,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0. *Full to
   Nisai S. on Nov. 23 and went one better in her sophomore bow,
   a half to the dam of Japanese group placers Gruyeres (Jpn)
   (Deep Impact (Jpn)), GSW-Jpn, $1,087,073; and Popocatepetl (Jpn)
   (Deep Impact (Jpn)), G1SP-Jpn, $1,177,516 and a half to the dam
   of Miss Pascali. Miyamazakura was second in the G3 Radio
   Nikkei Hai Kyoto Nisai S. on Nov. 23 and went one better in her
   sophomore bow, the G3 Daily Hai Queen Cup last month and the
   1400m could level the playing field Sunday.

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Saturday’s Results:
CHAIRMAN’S TROPHY S., S$400,000 (€220,242/£265,294/
$428,023/US$287,372), Kranji, 2-15, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:34.57,
gd.
1--COUNTOFMONTECRISTO (NZ), 128, g, 6, Echoes of Heaven
   (Aus)—Replicote (NZ), by Towkay (Aus). (NZS$57,500 2yo ’15
   NZBRTR). O-Joe Giovanni Sarjeet Singh; B-B F, Mrs H J & P J
   Crofskey; T-Michael Clements; J-Louis Beuzelin; S$238,000.
   Lifetime Record: Ch. 3yo/Sun Marshal (Aus)—Misty Secret (Aus)
   (S$428,000 2yo ’15 MMGCYS). O-Sun Bloodstock Racing Stable.
   S$85,000.
2--Sun Marshal (Aus), 128, g, 5, Sepoy (Aus)—Mysterious Light
   (Aus), by Fantastic Light. (A$200,000 Ylg ’16 MMGCYS). O-Sun
   Bloodstock Racing Stable. S$85,000.
3--Gold Strike (Ire), 128, g, 5, Iftraaj (GB)—Burren Rose, by Storm
   Cat. (39,000gns RNA Wlg ’15 TATDEF; £33,000 Ylg ’16
   Lifetime Record: Ch. 3yo/Sun Marshal (Aus)—Misty Secret (Aus)
   (S$428,000 2yo ’15 MMGCYS).
Click for the Singapore Turf Club chart. VIDEO.
Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 2:15 p.m.

**CITI HONG KONG GOLD CUP-G1**, HK$10,000,000 (£986,749/€1,187,352/A$1,915,262/US$1,287,374), 3yo/up, 2000mT (PPs)

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 3:20 p.m.

**QUEEN’S SILVER JUBILEE CUP-G1**, HK$10,000,000 (£986,749/€1,187,352/A$1,915,262/US$1,287,374), 3yo/up, 1400mT (PPs)

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“Sheikh Hamdan... I wish people could get to know him the way I know him. To me, he’s been a father figure.”

WATCH
GYTRASH DELIVERS UPSET LIGHTNING WIN

By Paul Vettise

Multiple Group 1 winning sprinter Nature Strip (Nicconi) was all the talk of the G1 Black Caviar Lightning S. ahead of the Flemington feature, but it was Gytrash (Lope De Vega {Ire}) who belied his outside odds to be the star of the show.

While only six lined up in the race, it quickly turned into a fascinating contest with them split evenly and led by Redzel (Snitzel) on the far side and Nature Strip on the near rail. Gytrash stayed wide with the three-time The Everest winner and it proved the quickest way home for the 20-1 shot.

A game Redzel took second money on Saturday ahead of Loving Gaby (I Am Invincible) with Nature Strip fading to a disappointing fourth.

For Adelaide trainer Gordon Richards, it continued a run of success in Melbourne he has enjoyed with a trip of talented short course performers.

Gytrash is unbeaten in four starts at Flemington, G1 Oakleigh Plate hopeful Bold Star (Needs Further) won twice on the course during the summer, including the Listed Kensington S., and Garner (Barbados) was successful at Flemington and Caulfield in the spring.

“It’s just about having good horses and every trainer will tell you that. You can do whatever you like, but if they aren’t any good you aren’t going to win a race,” Richards said. “I’m lucky I’ve got three pretty good sprinters and stable staff is everything. Tony McEvoy puts me up and helps me out heaps so we’ve got a good thing going and we’ll stick to it.”

Gytrash hadn’t been sighted since he finished runner-up in the G3 The Heath at Caulfield in mid-August, a knee injury side-lining him after that race.

“He jarred up and they put it down to hard bones and said to modify his training so he does less hard work. He’s on the water walker, swimming and a lot of slow work,” Richards said.

That changed regime had Gytrash forward enough to resume in stunning fashion and his trainer is confident the 4-year-old has plenty more to offer.

“I don’t think he was 100% and he’s still got improvement to come,” Richards said. “I hoped he could come over the top of them and he did come home strongly.”

Jockey Mark Zahra was having his first ride on Gytrash and said with the field splitting, it was difficult to get a gauge on who was where, but he was glad to see Kerrin McEvoy take up the running with Redzel.

“I thought the inside was better and I was drawn two and I was happy when Kerrin stayed down low and I travelled very sweetly,” Zahra said. “It’s always hard to weigh up where the others are and I looked across and could see Nature Strip was under a bit of pressure and Gordon’s horse was too good.

“You have to try and ride your own horse and it’s hard to work out where the others are. I thought I was in front and it was great. Gordon had confidence in the horse and rode him as he comes, he didn’t tie me down.”

Gytrash was offered for sale by Maluka Thoroughbreds at the Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale and Richards had inspected the chestnut. He arranged a friend to do the bidding as he had to head home to Adelaide.

“I hadn’t actually picked him out. I went out to the sales to have a look and this horse kept walking past me and I followed it back to the stall to find out what it was,” Richards said. “I was heading home so I left instructions with a mate of mine when he went through and he got it, so it’s been a good investment.”

Blue Chip Investment

That’s understating the obvious as Gytrash’s earnings now stand at more than $885,000 for his syndicate of owners, which includes 91-year-old Sydneysider Valerie Gordon.

“She races a few horses in Sydney and I haven’t met her, only spoken on the phone and she’s a lovely lady,” Richards said.
Alligator Blood (All Too Hard) defeating Catalyst (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}) in a thrilling renewal of the G3 CS Hayes S. at Flemington.

Pedigree Notes
Gytrash is out of the unraced Miss Barley (Fastnet Rock), whose only other foal to race is the multiple winner Kiss Chasey (Husson {Arg}). The dam is a half-sister to the Listed Keith Mackay S. winner Strawberry Storm (Thunder Gulch {USA}) and she is the grandmother of the Listed Brian Crowley S. winner Goodfella (Snitzel). The pedigree page also features the G2 Wakefield Challenge S. winner and sire Danske (NZ), the G3 Lord Mayor’s Cup winner Strawberry Boy (Redoute’s Choice) and the Magic Millions 3YO Trophy winner Tippitaka (Red Ransom {USA}).

Champ in the House
The racing aside, the headline act at Flemington was the unbeaten champion mare Black Caviar (Bel Esprit), in whose honour the Lightning was named. The Peter Moody-trained sprinter won the race three consecutive times from 2011 to 2013 during her unbeaten 25-start career, which included victory in the G1 Diamond Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot in England among her 15 Group 1 wins. Fans got the chance to see Black Caviar parade in the mounting yard prior to the Lightning, her first racecourse appearance since April, 2013.

Saturday, Flemington, Australia
LIGHTNING S.-G1, A$750,000, VRC, 2-15, Open WFA, 1000mT, :57.53, sf.
1--GYTRASH, 58.5, g, 4, by Lope de Vega (Ire)
   1st Dam: Miss Barley, by Fastnet Rock
   2nd Dam: Wheatland Lady (USA), by Strawberry Road
   3rd Dam: Pay the Piper (USA), by Bombay Duck (USA)
1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (A$70,000 Wlg ‘16
INGJUN; A$40,000 Ylg ‘17 INGMAR). O-C A Reynolds, R M Warnock, J M Baker, Mrs A J Charlton, Ms J Heaney, L J
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**Pierro’s Dragon Leap Takes NZ Group 2**

Clifford, Ms L Clifford, S B Charlton, R B Jones, W A Blythman, G Blythman, Ms V N Gordon, Dream To Win (J ; B-Packaging Investments Aust Pty Ltd NSW; T-G V Richards; J-M Zahra; A$452,500. Lifetime Record: 15-7-4-3, A$886,750.

**Werk Nick Rating:** A+++ *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

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### IN NEW ZEALAND:

**Dragon Leap**, g, 3, **Pierro**--Pontiana (GSP-Aus, $149,050), by Redoute’s Choice. Ellerslie, 2-15, Avondale Guineas-G2 ($96k), 2100m, 2:13.01. B-G P Ingham (Qld). *1/2 to Inference (So You Think {NZ}), G1SW-Aus, $1,023,200. **$1,050,000 Ylg > 18 INGEAS.**

**Makkem Lad**, g, 4, **Kuroshio**--Larksong, by Singspiel (Ire). Kranji, 2-15, Hcp. ($54k), 1000m, :59.62. B-G Lui (NSW). *SP-Sin.**

**Diamond Beauty**, g, 4, **Toorak Toff**--Miss Mancini, by Fasliyev (USA). Kranji, 2-15, Hcp. ($54k), 1400m, 1:22.87. B-Lucky Racing Syndicate (Vic). *1/2 to Melrose Place (Purrealist), SW-Aus, $116,435. **VIDEO**

IN NEW ZEALAND:

**Qiji Acheeva**, g, 3, **Anacheeva**--Fubusue, by Fubu. Kranji, 2-15, Novice Race ($80k), 1100m (AWT), 1:06.19. B-T G Sutherland (NSW). *$25,000 2yo ‘18 INGRTR.**

**The Wild Bunch**, g, 3, **Swiss Ace (Aus)**--Badgirldeb, by Van Nistelrooy (USA). Kranji, 2-15, Hcp. (NZ$56k), 1400m, 1:22.74. B-Tee Pee Racing Ltd. *Formerly Terrydactyl. VIDEO Countofmontecristo, g, 6, **Echoes of Heaven**. See ‘TDN Europe--Asia.’

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