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UK RACING'S LEADERSHIP TO DISCUSS CORONAVIRUS PLAN



BHA's Nick Rust | *Racing Post*

As the coronavirus outbreak worsens, UK racing's leadership, including racecourses, participants and the British Horseracing Authority (BHA), will meet on Monday to discuss the sport's coronavirus plan going forward. In the immediate future, race meetings will likely be held without spectators through at least the end of March and the UK fixture list will also be under discussion. The goal of the meeting is to agree on a programme that is sustainable in the light of possible staff absences, including in critical roles, while protecting the industry's workforce and freeing up critical public services.

"Racing has worked hard to look after our customers and our staff by following the government's guidance and taking proportionate action," said BHA Chief Executive Nick Rust. "We will agree plans to limit attendance to participants and staff only at race meetings from this week and put in place the contingency plans developed by the industry."

The BHA has been closely following the guidelines set down by the British government, and has been keeping the Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport abreast of its contingency plans with a focus toward protecting industry members. In the short term, a decision on the Randox Health Grand National at Aintree on Apr. 2-4 is still pending. Newmarket's Guineas Festival, Epsom's Derby meeting and Royal Ascot could also be affected by the likely "closed door" policy on spectators.

Health Secretary Matt Hancock said a bill setting out emergency powers to deal with the outbreak will be published on Thursday, and details of what the powers will include will be shared on Tuesday.

Speaking on Sky's *Sophy Ridge On Sunday*, Hancock said ministers are yet to make a decision on whether to ban gatherings of over 500 people in the rest of the UK, after Scotland said it would bring in restrictions from Monday.

"We are absolutely ready to do that as necessary," he said, but he pointed towards a Cobra meeting being held on Monday when asked when the decision will be made.

UK Industry Perspectives

The Arena Racing Company operates 16 British racecourses, and ARC's Chief Executive Martin Cruddace offered his opinion on the potential financial fallout of racing without spectators for an extended period on *Sky Sports Racing's* Sunday morning programme, *Racing Debate*. [Cont. p2](#)

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SERVIS, NAVARRO OWNERS SHOULD PAY RESTITUTION

In the latest Week in Review, Bill Finley details why indicted trainers Jason Servis and Jorge Navarro's owners should write a check to Thoroughbred charities. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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ARC's Martin Cruddace (left) | *Racing Post*

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Said Cruddace, "We are outliers with other parts of the racing world, but I think it's only right that we should be prepared for an imminent change and my own personal view is it could be within 48 hours. We're planning, worst case scenario, end of June. It is absolutely possible we won't race again in front of a crowd until the end of June."

While a continuation of racing behind closed doors would be considered far better than no racing at all, it will, of course, still have huge financial ramifications for the sport.

Asked how serious the situation was for his company, Cruddace added, "It's particularly serious, I think we can weather the storm, but it will mean that unless we have support elsewhere we will not be able to put the fixtures on that the industry or the bookmaking industry needs.

"I think viability of racecourses is seriously in question, unless as an industry we work together and find the support that I think might be out there."

Bookmakers have stressed the importance of keeping racing going amid the coronavirus outbreak.

Simon Clare, PR director for Ladbrokes Coral, said, "It's really important if possible to keep the racing show on the road, even if that is behind closed doors. You've got a horse population in training being paid for that obviously needs to run, but then racing derives significant revenues from betting--the levy, betting shop media rights and streaming, bet and watch online. They are three big revenues to racing, all of which comes from racing taking place.

"Racing has a big incentive to keep the sport going through

what is an unprecedented and quite extraordinary situation. It feels like it could be feasible to keep some of the show on the road, because even if every fixture can't take place a proportion will generate a significant part of the betting.

"We fully support the BHA's approach and with most sports not taking place and a lot of people confined to home, the fact that racing is taking place will be one of the few leisure pursuits people will be able to enjoy and access during a dull and difficult time."

Rupert Arnold, chief executive of the National Trainers Federation, believes there is a feeling of everyone pulling together as racing braces itself for the unprecedented scenario of all meetings being held behind closed doors, initially until the end of March.

"I think everybody who is involved in staging the sport is going to have to adapt to the very unusual circumstances and we will all have to work together to deal with those issues and challenges that will arise," said Arnold. "We'll have to do things differently and come to some uncomfortable compromises, but that is all in the interest of protecting the livelihoods of everybody involved in the sport and protecting their health and safety as well.

"We have to adapt, but I feel there is a very strong sense among everybody involved to work together on this. People are thinking very much along the same lines and working out the best way to do this. There is a good spirit of co-operation."

Arnold had expected the BHA to move towards the restrictive measures due to the escalation of the virus.

"I think that along with most of my colleagues in racing this is a decision that was looking increasingly inevitable," he said. [Cont. p3](#)

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"We're all very mindful of both the need to keep the wheels of the industry turning, but also our wider duty to the public's health and safety and the way things are moving rapidly and how other sports have responded. I think this was inevitable after the last 24-48 hours that we would probably have to make this decision."

Racing in Europe

Other parts of the world have already moved toward restricted racing and, in some cases, the total suspension of the sport. Race meetings in **Scotland, Ireland and Germany** are already being run behind closed doors, with stringent measures in place to limit the number of people on course. The same has occurred in **France**—which also **closed all non-essential businesses on Saturday evening**. **Italy**, the European country suffering worst from coronavirus, has suspended racing completely through Apr. 3.

Racing in Ireland took place under the new restricted guidelines at Dundalk on Friday and Navan on Saturday, and also at Limerick on Sunday. Brian Kavanagh, Chief Executive of Horse Racing Ireland, admits the situation is ever changing.

He said on *Racing TV's Luck on Sunday* programme, "So far we've had two meetings under the 'closed door' policy and they went fine. There were a couple of little learnings, but nothing major. Obviously we don't know what is around the corner with this outbreak and we're conscious that it was the infection of coaches and players which effectively closed the football down. That is the sort of thing you would be concerned about.

"We're confident at the moment. We had the meeting in Navan on Sunday, which would usually have 2,500 people. It went ahead with less than 300 people there and most of them were either involved with a horse or working at the meeting. That's comfortably within the [Irish] Government's guidelines of limits of 500 people."

He added, "The initial Government instruction was until Mar. 29, so for the next two weeks at least we will be under these circumstances. Who knows what happens thereafter? Navan on Saturday was a sorry sight to see, but you've got to look at the bigger picture--there's a major public health issue here, so we're just glad to be able to keep racing."

Kavanagh acknowledges racing behind closed doors will have significant economic implications, not only for the ruling body but for the sport as a whole.

He said, "The longer it goes on it will be a challenge [for HRI financially], but I don't think that's the important issue at the moment, the important issue is to try to get a grip on this disease and its spread. I think it's our duty to try and keep the wheels turning--keep prize-money going into the system and keep people earning a living." **Cont. p4**

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CON TE PARTIRO DESTINED FOR HOMECOMING

Con Te Partiro (Scat Daddy), who won the G1 Coolmore Classic, will eventually be a broodmare in the Northern Hemisphere.

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He added, "Anyone working in yards are dependent on racing continuing, so it is a concern. It's a concern probably as much for racecourses as it is for Horse Racing Ireland as they're losing sponsorship and gate receipts. You can survive on media rights revenue for a couple of meetings, as a long-term proposition that's not viable, but there's no choice."

Racing Worldwide

All UAE meetings through at least the Dubai World Cup on Mar. 28 will go ahead without spectators. In Australia, the story is the same, with race meetings closed to the public and a ban on large public gatherings. The Australian Federal Government has also imposed a 14-day self-isolation requirement for any overseas arrivals and the Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale will likely be invite-only due to the ban of public events of more than 500 people. In Hong Kong and Japan, racing has been closed to spectators, while in South Korea, racing is still suspended.

Stateside, most tracks are continuing to race, but are closed to the public, and in Maryland on Sunday, racetracks have been shuttered. Turf Paradise closed up shop on Saturday due to coronavirus, while Sunland Park followed suit Sunday afternoon.

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'TDN Rising Stars' allow readers to identify a race winner in the first few starts of his or her career who will, in our estimation, go on to be a group winner. In this video we recap some of the European Rising Stars of 2019 and remember Waldkonig (GB) (Kingman {GB}) as a yearling with Julian Dollar of Newsells Park.

SIYOUNI'S SIMONA ON TOP AT SAINT-CLOUD

Carolyn and Nigel Elwes' **Simona (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}), who was off the board in four black-type outings last term, returned this year to bag a Mar. 4 conditions heat by 6 1/2 lengths at Compiegne and stepped up markedly to claim a deserved win in Sunday's G3 Prix Exbury at Saint-Cloud. [Cont. p5](#)

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G3 Prix Exbury Cont.

The homebred bay sported sheepskin cheekpieces and was quickly into stride, setting the tone from flagfall in this first pattern-race start. Holding sway throughout, the 9-1 chance was shaken up when threatened with 300 metres remaining and quickened smartly for tender cajoling in the latter stages to easily hold **Spirit of Nelson (Ire)** (Mount Nelson {GB}) by 1 3/4 lengths, with **Pappalino (Fr)** (Makfi {GB}) 1 1/4 lengths adrift in third. Last year's winner **Soleil Marin (Ire)** (Kendargent {Fr}) was

unable to land a telling blow for Godolphin and beat just one of his eight rivals home.

Pedigree Notes

Simona, whose siblings include a 3-year-old filly by Kendargent (Fr) and a 2-year-old filly by Anodin (Ire), is one of four scorers and the leading performer produced by a winning half-sister to MGSP Listed Cathedral S. victress Indignant (GB) (Gold Away {Ire}) and Listed Prix Djebel second Red Mo (Red Ransom). Her second dam Moiava (Fr) (Bering {GB}), who hails from a family featuring MG1SW distaffer Dancing Maid (Fr) (Lyphard), annexed the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte and is kin to three black-type performers, headed by G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud-winning sire Special Quest (Fr) (Rainbow Quest), out of G2 Prix de l'Opera heroine Mona Stella (Nureyev).

Sunday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX EXBURY-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-15, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:14.87, vhy.

1--**SIMONA (FR)**, 122, f, 4, by **Siyouni (Fr)**

1st Dam: **Monava (Fr)**, by **El Prado (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Moiava (Fr)**, by **Bering (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Mona Stella**, by **Nureyev**

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Elwes; B-Nigel Elwes (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Alexis Badel. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-3, €95,510. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Spirit of Nelson (Ire)**, 125, m, 5, Mount Nelson (GB)--Spirit of Pearl (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (IRE); T-Jerome Reynier. €16,000.

3--**Pappalino (Fr)**, 126, c, 4, Makfi (GB)--Bartira (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). (€18,000 Ylg '17 AROCT). O-Gerald Laroche & Jean-Louis Quiniou; B-Stud RDI (FR); T-Jerome Reynier. €12,000. Margins: 1 3/4, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 9.10, 11.00, 5.10.

Also Ran: Edisa, Monty (Fr), Way to Paris (GB), Libello (Ire), Soleil Marin (Ire), Sharqi (Ire). **Click for the Racing Post result or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Wolverhampton, £11,500, Cond, 3-14, 4yo/up, 5f 21y (AWT), :59.82, st.

MOSS GILL (IRE) (g, 4, No Nay Never--Sharaarah {Ire}, by Oasis Dream {GB}) Lifetime Record: 11-4-5-0, \$87,797. O-G Van Cutsem, J Bethell & S Bethell; B-Camas Park & Lynch Bages (IRE); T-James Bethell. *£30,000 RNA Ylg '17 GOUKPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Aweemaweh (Ire), c, 3, **Bungle Inthejungle (GB)**--Grotta Del Fauno (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Wolverhampton, 3-14, 6f 20y (AWT), 1:13.04. B-Azienda Agricola Rosati Colarieti (IRE). *€15,500 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

FRANCE

Sunday's Results:

PRIX OMNIUM II-Listed, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-15, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:47.81, vhy.

1--**PISANELLO (IRE)**, 128, c, 3, by **Raven's Pass**

1st Dam: **Painting (Ire)**, by **Peintre Celebre**

2nd Dam: **Zelding (Ire)**, by **Warning (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Zelda (Ire)**, by **Caerleon**

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€60,000 RNA Ylg '18 ARAUG). Haras d'Etreham, Ecurie de Montlahuc & Riviera Equine SARL; B-Haras d'Etreham (IRE); T-Fabrice Chappet; J-Tony Piccone. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €44,500.

2--**The Summit (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Acola (Fr), by Acatenango (Ger). (€16,000 Ylg '18 AROCT). O-Mme Jacques Cygler. €11,000.

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3--**Choise of Raison (GB)**, 128, c, 3, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Miss Plimsoll, by Arch. (€35,000 Ylg '18 ARAUG). O-Alexandre Giannotti & Ecurie des Monceaux. €8,250.

Margins: HD, 2HF, 1. Odds: 9.20, 7.00, 2.60.

Also Ran: Memory Dream (Fr), Kenway (Fr), King Pacha (Ire), Hayzum (Fr).

Pisanello was pulled up in his Aug. 10 debut at Deauville, but bounced back to claim a Nov. 15 course-and-distance conditions heat last time. Breaking well to stalk the pace in second for most of this stakes bow, he loomed large off the home turn to seize control approaching the quarter-mile marker and was ridden out in the closing stages to hold the persistent The Summit for a career high.



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Pisanello becomes the first black-type performer produced by Painting (Ire) (Peintre Celebre) and he is half to a 2-year-old colt by No Nay Never and to the dam of G3 Prix d'Arenberg third Kilfrush Memories (Fr) (Shakespearean {Ire}). The February-foaled bay's dam is a daughter of G3 Prix du Bois victress Zelding (Ire) (Warning {GB}) and thus kin to MG1SP Listed Prix Finlande winner Glorious Sight (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}) and MGSW G2 Prix du Gros-Chene victress Beauty Is Truth (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), who in turn produced G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Hermosa (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), dual Group 1 winner Hydrangea (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), G1 Ranvet Rawson S. victor The United States (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and MGSW G1 Moyglare Stud S. and G1 Prix Marcel Boussac runner-up Fire Lily (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). Video, sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**

PRIX LA CAMARGO-Listed, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-15, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:51.88, vhy.

1--**EMOJI (GER)**, 126, f, 3, by **Soldier Hollow (GB)**

1st Dam: Exotic Rose (Ger), by Manduro (Ger)

2nd Dam: Elle Diva (Ger), by Big Shuffle

3rd Dam: Espada (Ger), by Surumu (Ger)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Team Valor International; B-Bernd Dietel & Thomas Jordan (GER); T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €27,500. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €32,000.

2--**Galova (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Galiway (GB)--Nicole (Fr), by Dashing Blade (GB). O-Guy Pariente. €11,000.

3--**Anobar (Fr)**, 126, f, 3, Anodin (Ire)--Gribatune (Fr), by Green Tune. (€12,000 Ylg '18 AROCT). O-Scuderia Genets SRL. €8,250.

Margins: 2, 1 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.30, 25.00, 7.00.

Also Ran: Private Romance (Ire), Leilani (Spa), Villa Royale (Fr), Pentaiade (Fr), Vanada (Fr). Scratched: Honey Cake (Ire).

Emoji was acquired by Team Valor International after posting an impressive 14-length tally tackling this distance at Baden-Baden in her Oct. 19 debut and provided an immediate return on investment in this first black-type start. Employing proven tactics to race on the lead after breaking sharply from the inside gate, she held sway throughout and maintained a relentless beat under mild urging inside the final quarter mile to retain her unbeaten record in comfortable fashion.

Emoji, full-sister to a 2-year-old filly and a yearling filly, is the lone winner produced by a half-sister to G3 Frankfurter Meile victor Enzo (Ger) (Next Desert {Ire}). The March-foaled bay's stakes-placed third dam Espada (Ger) (Surumu {Ger}) is a full-sister to MGSW sire El Salto (Ger) and a half-sister to MSW G2 Deutsches St Leger runner-up El Arco (Ger) (Caracol {Fr}) and Listed Preis der Dreijahrigen victor El Rosario (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). Video, sponsored by [Fasig-Tipton](#).**



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- Mixologist (Fr)**, g, 3, **Gemix (Fr)**--Ideal Step (Fr), by Footstepsinthesand (GB). Saint-Brieuc, 3-15, 12fT, 2:58.01. B-Gemini Stud, Michel Haski & Benjamin Teboul (FR).
- Gommerville (Fr)**, c, 3, **Le Havre (Ire)**--Gondole (GB), by Pivotal (GB). Lignieres-en-Berry, 3-15, 12fT, 2:47.07. B-Franklin Finance SA, Sylvain Vidal & Mme Elisabeth Ribard (FR). *€8,000 2yo '19 ARQJUL.
- Benese (Fr)**, f, 3, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Living Well (GB), by Zamindar. Angouleme, 3-15, 10fT, 2:13. B-GB Partnership (FR). *€18,000 RNA Ylg '18 AROCT.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Sunday, Chukyo, Japan

- KINKO SHO-G2**, ¥128,920,000 (US\$1,209,941/£977,311/€1,082,339), Chukyo, 3-15, 4yo/up, 2000mT, 2:01.60, fm.
- 1--**SATURNALIA (JPN)**, 128, c, 4, **Lord Kanaloea (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Cesario (Jpn) (Ch. 3yo Filly-Jpn, MSW-Jpn, GISW-US, \$2,578,568), by Special Week (Jpn)
2nd Dam: Kirov Premiere (GB), by Sadler's Wells
3rd Dam: Querida (Ire), by Habitat
 O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Katsuhiko Sumii; J-Christophe Lemaire. ¥67,854,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. 3yo Colt-Jpn, MG1SW-Jpn, 9-6-1-0. *1/2 to Epiphaneia (Jpn) (Symboli Kris S.), MG1SW-Jpn, \$6,693,376; Leontes (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), Ch. 2yo Colt-Jpn, G1SW-Jpn, \$1,112,892; Globe Theatre (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), GSP-Jpn, \$914,289. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++**. *Triple Plus*. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

- 2--**Satono Saltus (Jpn)**, 123, h, 5, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Island Fashion, by Pétionville. (¥88,000,000 Wlg '15 JRHAJUL). O-Satomi Horse Company; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥27,244,000.
- 3--**Daiwa Cagney (Jpn)**, 123, h, 6, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Triplex (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. (¥105,000,000 Ylg '15 JRHAJUL). O-Keizo Oshiro; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥17,122,000. Margins: 2, 3/4, NO. Odds: 0.30, 40.30, 23.30. Also Ran: Gibeon (Jpn), Last Draft (Jpn), Nishino Daisy (Jpn), Cadence Call (Jpn), Meiner Fanrong (Jpn), Bless Journey (Jpn), Lord My Way (Jpn), Satono Garnet (Jpn), Jun Vulcan (Jpn).

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Sent off at 30 cents on the dollar, favoured Saturnalia dominated the G2 Kinko Sho at Chukyo on Sunday.

Rating kindly in fifth for most of the race, the champion 3-year-old colt made a bold move three deep 600 metres from home, pounced at the 200-metre marker and powered clear with authority to win by two lengths. Satono Saltus was three-quarters of a length ahead of Daiwa Cagney in second.

A winner of his first four starts, including the 2018 G1 Hopeful S. and 2019 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas), the 4-year-old ran fourth in the G1 Tokyo Yushun, but returned to winning ways in the G2 Kobe Shimbun Hai. Only sixth to Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloea {Jpn}) in the Oct. 27 G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn), he was a last out second in the G1 Arima Kinen at Nakayama on Dec. 22.

Pedigree Notes

One of two Classic winners amidst four Group 1 scorers for his sire alongside Almond Eye, Saturnalia is one of 16 black-type winners for Shadai-based Lord Kanaloea, who also sired 2020 G1 Blue Diamond S. victor Tagaloea (Aus) earlier this year. His dam, a winner of the GI American Oaks Invitational and Japanese champion 3-year-old filly of her year, most recently produced the winning King Kamehameha filly First Folio (Jpn).

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

- HOCHI HAI FILLIES' REVUE-G2**, ¥100,906,000 (US\$949,445/£769,440/€850,865), Hanshin, 3-15, 3yo, f, 1400mT, 1:21.00, gd.
- 1--**EPOS (JPN)**, 119, f, 3, **Just a Way (Jpn)**
1st Dam: Strike Root, by Smart Strike
2nd Dam: Tadwiga (GB), by Fairy King
3rd Dam: Euromill (Ire), by Shirley Heights (GB)
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Fujiwara Farm; B-Fujiwara Farm (Jpn); T-Yoshihito Kitade; J-Yasunari Iwata. ¥53,372,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0. **Werk Nick Rating: B.** **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**
- 2--**Yamakatsu Mermaid (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, Lord Kanaloea (Jpn)--Yamakatsu Marilyn (Jpn), by Grass Wonder. O-Kazuo Yamada; B-Okada Farm (Jpn); ¥21,392,000.
- 3--**Nine to Five (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, Screen Hero (Jpn)--Bettolle (It), by Blu Air Force (Ire). (¥18,000,000 Wlg '17 JRHAJUL). O-Kuwata Farm; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥13,196,000. Margins: 1 1/4, HF, HF. Odds: 12.80, 2.80, 44.90. Also Ran: Cagliostro (Jpn), Fairest Isle (Jpn), Melted Honey (Jpn), Parfumerie (Jpn), Cape Cod (Jpn), Anuradhapura (Jpn), Matenro Diva (Jpn), Misurina (Jpn), Sophia Barows (Jpn), Evasione (Jpn), Coofa Izanami (Jpn), So Euphoria (Jpn), Luce della Vita (Jpn), La Boheme (Jpn), Vallar Crown (Jpn).
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G2 Hochi Hai Fillies' Revue Cont.

A winner on debut at Nakayama in December, Epos put two unplaced runs behind her in the G2 Hochi Hai Fillies' Revue at Hanshin on Sunday. Only fourth in the Listed Elfin S. at Kyoto on Feb. 8, the Fujiwara Farm-bred was a touch keen when the gates flew and remained overeager for the first quarter mile. In an ideal ground-saving position in 10th despite this, she was loaded when called upon as the field entered the straight. Traffic woes interrupted her closing effort, but she eventually dashed in between rivals and into contention in the final 150 metres. The chestnut pounced on Yamakatsu Mermaid a few jumps from the line to prevail by 1 1/4 lengths. Nine to Five was a half-length back in third.

Pedigree Notes

Epos is the first Group 2 winner and fourth black-type winner for her sire, with A Will a Way (Jpn) and Lord My Way (Jpn) both having landed Japanese Group 3s. The second foal and winner for her twice-winning dam, Epos's granddam is the G3 Matron S. heroine Tadwiga (GB) (Fairy King). Also second in the G3 Rockfel S., Tadwiga produced GII Saranac S. hero Rock Lobster to the cover of Mt. Livermore and the dam of South African MGSW and G1 South African Classic second Tellina (SAF) (Silvano {Ger}).



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CON TE PARTIRO DESTINED FOR HOMECOMING



Con Te Partiro | Bronwen Healy

By Bren O'Brien

Con Te Partiro's (USA) (Scat Daddy {USA}) future as a broodmare is likely to be back in the Northern Hemisphere, according to Newgate Managing Director Henry Field, after her win in Saturday's G1 Coolmore Classic sent her residual value sky high.

The 6-year-old's authoritative success at Rosehill on Saturday in the Newgate colours added the Group 1 cherry on top of a racing resume that already had her winning stakes races in the United Kingdom, the United States and Australia.

"There wouldn't be too many more valuable mares on the planet right now with her profile," Field said. "She is the sort of mare that I think could have a sales-topping yearling in a Northern Hemisphere yearling sale, like a Keeneland or Tattersalls. We saw Bounding's yearling sell for US\$4.1 million (AU\$5.9 million) last year and we will probably look to send her back to the Northern hemisphere to breed her."

Field said that Con Te Partiro would continue to campaign for Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott with the likelihood she would head back to North America towards the end of 2020.

Saturday's success came after the mare was retired to the broodmare barn last spring but failed to get in foal to Zoustar. Field said that having been in work as racehorse until late September, it was hardly the ideal preparation for a possible pregnancy.

"We didn't really give her any time to let down as a broodmare. We gave her one late cover and the fact she didn't get in foal was not her fault whatsoever," he said. "I'm sure if we had have retired her after the winter, she would have let down and she'd be in foal now. The time frame we gave her never works out well, especially with imported mares. We had one cover on a wing and a prayer really.

"When she wasn't in foal, we were happy given the confidence Adrian (Bott) had in the mare, to put her back in training."

Co-trainer Bott played a major role in the success of Saturday having worked with the quirky imported mare to get the best out of her. Gai Waterhouse also utilised her close relationship with Con Te Partiro's previous trainer Wesley Ward, to get an insight into how to get the best out of the mare in Australia.

After an excellent trial win ahead of her resumption this campaign, Con Te Partiro over-raced when sixth, beaten 3l in the G2 Guy Walter S., but Field said the confidence in the stable was very high ahead of her Group 1 test on Saturday on what was a deteriorating track.

"Her best form has been on top of the ground and she's very effective on fast turf, but in saying that, she's certainly got through it well. She's a very tough filly, she's got great grit and so she probably excelled in the tough conditions," he said. "It was a great result. She's a really, really good mare. I know her form can taper in and out, but she has been a super mare her whole career and it was well-deserved for her to win a Group 1 race."

Scat Daddy Strategy Pays Off Early

It was a success which can be traced back to the insistence of SF Bloodstock's Gavin Murphy and Tom Ryan on buying the mare out of the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November Sale, where she cost US\$575,000 (AU\$930,000).

"We've gone out in the last few years and bought as many Scat Daddy mares as we could in North America to bring to Australia and she was probably the jewel in the crown," Field said. "Out of a Street Cry mare that ran second in a Humana Distaff, she has one of the deepest pedigrees in the North American studbook. For all those reasons, Gavin and Tom were really bullish to buy her at the sale and they didn't want to go home without her. Their judgment has been proven right."

Paradoxically, her success on Saturday now means that she will likely not get the chance to breed in Australia.



Tom Ryan | SF Bloodstock

"A mare like Con Te Partiro has built a record that is very unique. With her pedigree and her very unique race record, she is the sort of mare that they are very keen to get back to North America," he said. "That makes sense. If you look at the top end of the yearling market in North America and the UK, it is probably much stronger than we have here. That's ok.

"We'll go back to Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland in November and hopefully buy another group of these mares, because they have been so successful for our breeding portfolio."

That global approach is an example of the great advantage Newgate has in having such a strong connection to SF Bloodstock.

Those successes are shared globally and as much as the win of Con Te Partiro was celebrated in the United States, victories like those of impressive Santa Anita winner Charlatan (USA) (Speightstown {USA}) on behalf of the SF Bloodstock colts syndicate on Saturday, are also marked in Australia.

Making his second career start, Charlatan broke swiftly and went straight to the front in the 1600-metre race. Running alone on the front end with Drayden Van Dyke aboard, the colt looked more like he was gearing up for a breeze as he galloped along easily around the track. Van Dyke let his mount run a bit in the straight as Charlatan motored away from the overmatched field to win by 10 ¼ lengths.

The colt is a US\$700,000 Keeneland September purchase by SF Bloodstock and Starlight West who were joined in ownership by Madaket Stables, breeder Stonestreet Stables, Frederick Hertrich, John Fielding, and Golconda Stables. He is following a similar path to Baffert's Triple Crown winner Justify (USA) (Scat Daddy {USA}) who ran his first two races on the same weeks as **Charlatan** and has some of the same ownership group as that colt.

The Bob Baffert colt is now considered a leading chance for

the GI Kentucky Derby.

SF Racing are also involved in the ownership of another leading Kentucky Derby contender in **Authentic (USA)** (Into Mischief {USA}), and also produced Group 1-winning juvenile **Eight Rings (USA)** (Empire Maker {USA}) from that group of yearling purchases.

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	G1 The Agency George Ryder S	Rosehill
	G1 Ranvet S.	Rosehill
	G1 The Galaxy S.	Rosehill
	G1 Sky Racing Rosehill Guineas	Rosehill
Mar. 28	G1 Tancred S.	Rosehill
	G1 Vinery Stud S.	Rosehill

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	G1 T J Smith S.	Randwick
	G1 Harrolds Australian Derby	Randwick
Apr. 11	G1 Inglis Sires' S.	Randwick
	G1 Longines Queen Elizabeth S.	Randwick
	G1 Schweppes Sydney Cup	Randwick
	G1 Heineken 3 Australian Oaks	Randwick
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SHOULD SERVIS, NAVARRO OWNERS PAY RESTITUTION?



Jason Servis alongside Maximum Security before the \$20-million Saudi Cup | Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

They have come at us one by one, saying they are shocked, they are disgusted, they love the animal, they love the sport and they had no idea they had been employing drug cheats.

That's what we have heard from the owners who employed Jason Servis and Jorge Navarro and have spoken up in the aftermath of indictments that are not only shocking but threaten to do severe and irreparable damage to the sport.

How could an owner employ someone who performed training feats that were, basically, impossible if they were clean, and not know they were dirty? Everyone else knew. The gamblers, the honest owners and trainers, the guy working the hot dog stand on the second floor. Also racetrack executives and racing commissioners. As clueless as they now seem, they knew.

According to the indictments, Servis and Navarro doped their horses with a variety of garbage and the horses then went out there and ran the proverbial hole in the wind. Navarro won 217 races in 2019, clicking at 28%. Servis won 168 races in 2019, winning at 29%. He also managed the campaign of Maximum Security (New Year's Day), on the surface, the best horse in racing up through his win in the \$20-million Saudi Cup.

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WEST HIRES BRAMLAGE TO EXAMINE MAXIMUM SECURITY; SAYS HE COULD ABIDE BY DQ'S

by Bill Finley

Admitting that the charges that trainer Jason Servis drugged **Maximum Security** (New Year's Day) threaten the integrity of Thoroughbred racing, his owner, Gary West, has announced that he has hired veterinarian Dr. Larry Bramlage to examine the horse "from hoof to tail."

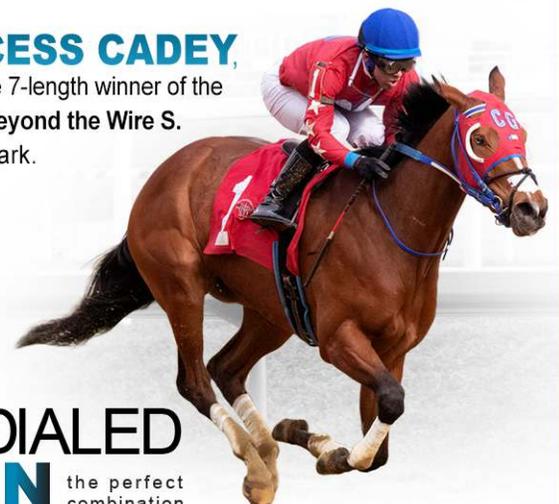
When asked by the *TDN* in a follow-up email that if further testing revealed that Maximum Security had illegal drugs in his systems in any races if he would advocate that the horse be disqualified, he indicated that he would be open to it. **Cont. p5**

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On the 23rd anniversary of Chindi (El Prado {Ire}-Rousing, by Alydar) breaking his maiden at Oaklawn, Porfirio Cruz (right) and Juan Fernandez (left) lead Chindi to the winner's circle. The 26-year-old millionaire and multiple graded stakes winner received a proclamation from the city of Hot Springs, Arkansas declaring March 15 as Chindi Day. Chindi retired in 2006 and is a stable pony for trainer Steve Hobby. | Sarah Andrew

MARYLAND GOVERNOR ORDERS TRACKS TO CLOSE 8

Maryland Governor Larry Hogan issued an emergency order for the state Sunday, which included closure of Maryland's racetracks, casinos and simulcast facilities to the public. Horsemen at Laurel are looking for clarification on whether or not the track can continue racing.

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The Week in Review cont. from p1

Combined, Servis and Navarro horses earned over \$19 million in 2019 alone.

While no one is suggesting that any owners were directly involved in the doping scheme or should go to prison, it just doesn't seem right that they will all walk away from this unscathed. Most have already moved on, transferring their horses to other trainers, in some cases, trainers that have also aroused suspicions. In Florida and New York, there are "stand down" periods in place and the horses coming out of the Servis and Navarro barns won't be allowed to race for a while. Again, not good enough.

The answer to this is not going to come from anyone in authority. We have heard from some owners of horses that were beaten by Servis and Navarro saying they want disqualifications so they can get the money they deserve. It's



Gary West | *Coglianesse*

not going to happen, at least not in the U.S.

For those owners involved who have a conscience, and maybe, well, some of them don't, they need to stand up and take some responsibility and do something to make amends to a sport that has been crippled by this.

Start by saying something along these lines: "I understand that the money my horses have earned while racing for (fill in the blank) was tantamount to stealing because they were drugged. I find that unacceptable and I cannot in good conscience accept that money."

Then write a check.

Not to the owners of the horses who finished second or third behind the drugged horses. A rich guy writing a check to

another rich guy isn't going to

heal the wound. Instead, write a check to the various charities that are working so hard to make the sport better.

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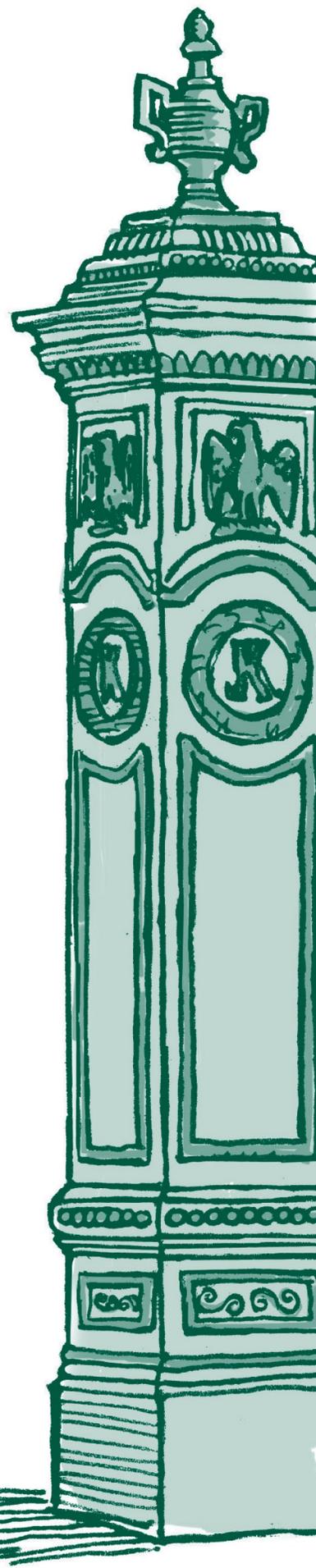
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The first two in line to do so should be Gary West and Michael Dubb. Both are extremely wealthy men.

In a 2006 *Forbes* survey, West was listed as the 354th most wealthy person in the U.S. According to the indictment, West was employing a trainer in Servis that cheated, which would mean that the \$11.8 million earned by Maximum Security was earned through fraudulent means. Can you imagine what an \$11.8-million check from West to the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance could do to save the lives of racing's blue-collar retirees?

"(The allegation against Servis) is a very serious charge," West said in a statement. "It threatens the integrity of Thoroughbred racing, an industry and sport that I have been a part of and have cared deeply about for decades."

Prove it. Give the money back.

Dubb is another very prominent and very wealthy owner who used Servis. The many horses Servis trained for Dubb include World of Trouble (Kantharos), who won two Grade I races last year and earned \$1.2 million in his career. That doesn't include whatever money Dubb received in the stallion deal for a horse

now standing at Hill 'n' Dale.

"To be involved with something that brings a black eye to the game is, beyond words, sickening to me," Dubb said.

Prove it. Write a check.

I choose to believe that Dubb and West are both good, decent people, people who made a mistake by hiring bad apples. Both have given away millions through philanthropic efforts they support. Dubb has dug deep into his own pocket to build and donate daycare centers for backstretch workers at the NYRA tracks. They need to lead by example and they need to do more. The FBI says your trainers stole from the sport you profess to love, you need to make up for it. You need to give something back.

What's Next in Horse Doping Scandal?

There are rumors everywhere, but it remains anyone's guess as to whether the 29 people now tied up in the scandal will be all that will be charged or whether they are the tip of the iceberg. The U.S. Attorney's Office won't say, only that the investigation is ongoing.

I can see a scenario where the feds can't pack up their bags soon enough and, if so, there probably won't be any more major indictments.

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The FBI has a lot more important things to worry about than horse racing and the feds are already on record saying that they stumbled into the racing investigation while looking into something else. Do they really want to invest any more of their resources in something that is, in the grand scheme of things and to most people, not that big of a deal?

The other scenario is that the government will lean on the vets and drug suppliers and cut them a deal to serve up names of the others who they were supplying with performance-enhancing drugs. It's highly unlikely that their customers were limited to the handful of trainers that have been indicted. If that turns out to be the case, the floodgates could open and the number of trainers that go down could be staggering.

These guys are facing five years in prison and will no doubt sing if offered a deal.

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West Hires Bramlage; Says He'd Be Open to DQ's cont. from p1

"I am not an authority on medications and SGF-1000 (the drug Servis was alleged to be using) is something I had never heard of until Monday, but if SGF-1000 is proven to be a PED and if Maximum Security is proven via testing to have been on a PED during his races, I would fully support whatever the regulators suggest doing," West said. "If that is the price that has to be paid

to clean up a sport I have been in love with for 40 years, I would gladly do that for the good of racing."

Early Sunday, West sent out a statement revealing his plan to bring in Bramlage, a highly respected veterinarian, to try to get to the bottom of exactly what has been going on behind the scenes with Maximum Security and the other horses West owned that were trained by Servis.

"I have retained Dr. Larry Bramlage to immediately perform the most advanced and comprehensive scientific and medical testing of Maximum Security known to man," West said in a statement. "I have placed no restrictions or limitations of any kind on how, why, or what in his judgment is necessary to exhaustively examine Maximum Security from hoof to tail. He is to leave no stone unturned. Dr. Bramlage also has complete discretion to coordinate his examination with any other experts of his choosing."

In an email to the *TDN* West said, "No one wants to know the truth more than I do."

While a thorough examination by Bramlage may answers some questions, it doesn't appear that it will answer the most pertinent ones, namely was Maximum Security given performance-enhancing drugs, when was he given performance-enhancing drugs and how did those drugs affect his performance? **Cont. p6**



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“My job is not to try to find any drugs,” Bramlage said. “I’m just looking at the horse to assess the health of the horse. Obviously, you can’t expect to find anything wrong the way he ran. He just wants to know and document that no harm has been done to the horse.”

Maximum Security has been turned over to Bob Baffert. No plans regarding the remainder of his 2020 racing campaign have been announced.

Bramlage said that if any proof is to surface that Maximum Security was doped before any of his races it will likely come from a testing laboratory in France hired by Saudi racing authorities to conduct pre and post-race testing for the \$20-million Saudi Cup, won by Maximum Security.

“He was tested before and after the race,” Bramlage said. “Those tests are done in France and they are much more pertinent than anything we could do now.” **Cont. p7**



Gary & Mary West | Sarah Andrew



Dr. Larry Bramlage | Horsephotos



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According to the indictment against Servis, he was using a drug called SGF-1000 to improve the performances of virtually every horse under his care. Testing laboratories employed by U.S. racing regulators do not have a test for the drug, so it may be that the French lab cannot find it even if they believe it was in Maximum Security's system during the Saudi race.

West said that the Saudis took hair, urine and blood samples prior to Maximum Security's departure for the race and after the race. He said he had specifically asked the French lab to test for SGF-1000.

"They have already tested his samples twice in the past, but now that the substance in question is well-known (SGF-1000), I am asking them to use any additional test available to assess Maximum Security's samples," he said.

Bramlage also said that he was puzzled as to why anyone would give a horse SGF-1000 if their intent was to improve performance.

"It's a sheep placenta collagen and I don't really have any explanation how it could affect a horse's performance," he said. "It's hard to make that connection with collagen."

Collagen is the most plentiful protein found in the human body.

In his statement, West promised that the examination of Maximum Security will be as thorough as possible.

"I am announcing that Maximum Security is scheduled to have an ultrasound and ECG of his heart, a complete nuclear scintigraphy (bone scan) of his spine, head to tail, and all four limbs from the ground up this week. He will have digital radiographs of all of his joints and an ultrasound of his chest and lungs. He will also have a complete soundness exam, complete blood counts, serum enzyme and electrolyte profiles, and a complete physical exam. Additionally, Dr. Bramlage is authorized to have any other testing done that he thinks is warranted or useful."

West said that Bramlage would also be taking hair, urine and blood samples from all the horses he had with Servis.

"This is our best contemporary option to assess the status of our horses previously in training with Jason Servis," he said. "...SGF-1000 is the substance in question and I want to conclusively determine if there is any evidence of SGF-1000 in any of my horses' systems."

West also said that he would be asking regulators to retest the samples taken from Maximum Security from all his graded stakes races to see if they could find SGF-1000.

West's statement began with his expressing his concern for the integrity of the sport in light of the indictments of Servis, trainer Jorge Navarro and 27 others in a massive horse doping scheme. **Cont. p8**

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“After Maximum Security’s victory in the Saudi Cup I was stunned to learn that my former trainer, Jason Servis, had been indicted,” he said. “He now stands accused of ‘doping several horses,’ one of which is my horse, Maximum Security. This is a very serious charge. It threatens the integrity of Thoroughbred racing, an industry and sport that I have been a part of and have cared deeply about for decades.”

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MARYLAND GOVERNOR ORDERS STATE’S RACETRACKS, CASINOS AND SIMULCAST FACILITIES TO CLOSE TO PUBLIC

In light of the public health emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan has issued an emergency order to close all Maryland casinos, racetracks, and simulcast betting facilities to the general public indefinitely.

“This situation continues to evolve and will escalate rapidly and dramatically,” Hogan said. “These are unprecedented actions in an extraordinary situation, but they could be the difference in saving lives and keeping people safe.”

The emergency order, which takes effect at midnight Monday, affects Thoroughbred facilities Laurel, Pimlico and Timonium

and harness tracks Rosecroft Raceway and Ocean Downs. The Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency will work with casinos to facilitate an orderly shutdown of operations and the order does not apply to hotels adjacent to casinos. You can read Governor Hogan’s emergency order [here](#).

According to a report in *Daily Racing Form*, operators at Laurel Park, which ran its full eight-race card Sunday, awaited clarification from the governor as to whether or not racing could continue.

“We are awaiting on clarification,” Alan Foreman, the general counsel for the Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association, told *DRF*. “We have been told that training activities can continue to take place, and we just don’t know if this applies to racing or not. We don’t race again until next weekend, so there’s plenty of time for us to talk to the governor’s people.”

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SUNLAND DERBY CANCELLED; TRACK TO CLOSE INDEFINITELY

Sunland Park in New Mexico has become the latest racetrack to shutter indefinitely due to the COVID-19 pandemic--the GIII Sunland Derby, which offered qualifying points for the GI Kentucky Derby and was scheduled for next Sunday, will not be run. The announcement came within minutes of the release of an **overnight** for the would-be Sunland Derby card.

"Yesterday afternoon we received a call at about 12:30 from [Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham]'s office," Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino GM Rick Baugh said in a video posted on Twitter Sunday by Felix Chavez of the *El Paso Times*. "For the safety and welfare of the general public, as well as our employees, and the community--as well as Sunland Park, [nearby] El Paso, Texas, they have asked us to cease operations for two to three weeks... We're falling in line with the school systems. The reason for this is that the Governor wants to get ahead of the curve and reduce the bell curve [of infections]. She wants to make sure that we don't end up in a situation similar to California and New York."

"Although there have been no known cases of the COVID-19 at the property, we are suspending operations out of an abundance of caution and to promote social distancing," said

Director of Marketing for Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino, Ethan Linder.

During the closure, Sunland Park management will work with the New Mexico Health Department to implement additional protocols to protect guests prior to the reopening of the facility.

"Our hearts go out to the people who have been affected by these unprecedented events. We appreciate the healthcare workers, local community officials, and governments around the world who are working on the front lines," Linder added.

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KEENELAND TO IMPLEMENT COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Keeneland issued the following release Sunday afternoon:

Out of an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our horsemen, staff and visitors with regard to COVID-19, Keeneland has announced the following restrictions regarding access to its grounds and stable areas:

Beginning Monday, Mar. 16, Keeneland will be closed to all non-essential guests and horsemen. Only essential employees, owners, trainers, veterinarians, blacksmiths and stable workers will be allowed entry. **Cont. p10**



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1	Midnight Lute (2003) by Real Quiet Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms (Fee \$15,000)		3 [3.16]	6 [6.32]	2 [2.11]	2 [2.11]	-- --	1 [1.05]	95	24 [25.26]	26	\$3,500,000 Midnight Bisou	\$4,575,224
2	Tapit (2001) by Pulpit Stands: Gainesway Farm (Fee \$200,000)		5 [3.47]	12 [8.33]	5 [3.47]	11 [7.64]	-- --	-- --	144	24 [16.67]	26	\$1,000,000 Tacitus	\$3,835,449
3	Mucho Macho Man (2008) by Macho Uno Stands: Adena Springs (Fee \$10,000)		1 [2.50]	2 [5.00]	1 [2.50]	2 [5.00]	1 [2.50]	1 [2.50]	40	12 [30.00]	15	\$3,162,000 Mucho Gusto	\$3,532,084
4	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday Stands: Spendthrift Farm (Fee \$175,000)		11 [5.64]	24 [12.31]	4 [2.05]	8 [4.10]	-- --	-- --	195	49 [25.13]	58	\$300,000 Authentic	\$3,244,321
5	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by El Prado (Ire) Stands: Darley KY (Fee \$200,000)		1 [0.88]	6 [5.26]	1 [0.88]	5 [4.39]	-- --	-- --	114	21 [18.42]	26	\$1,703,055 Golden Sixty	\$2,768,535



Keeper Of the Stars shown winning the Buena Vista Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita.



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Screening checkpoints will be set up at Gates 1, 2, 3 and at the Rice Road barn entrance to monitor those seeking access to Keeneland. Each checkpoint will require a temperature check. Only those with a temperature less than 100.5 degrees and showing no symptoms of COVID-19 will be granted access. Persons permitted to enter will receive an armband granting access for only that day.

Furthermore, anyone with a business purpose requiring access to Keeneland also will complete screening at a checkpoint.

This process will continue until further notice.

In addition to Keeneland's General Office, The Keeneland Shop and Keeneland Library are closed until further notice.

Simulcasting at Red Mile also is closed until further notice.

Tours, including visits from outside tour companies, are canceled through Apr. 14. The Hiring Center for the Spring Meet has been suspended until further notice.

Keeneland appreciates the cooperation and understanding of the public and our horsemen as we all continue to navigate the COVID-19 situation. We take our responsibility to the community and the horse industry seriously, and we will continue to work in partnership with government authorities.

Keeneland will continue to provide updates on its website at keeneland.com/COVID19.

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TAMPA TO RACE WITHOUT SPECTATORS STARTING WEDNESDAY

Tampa Bay Downs is set to join the growing number of Thoroughbred tracks that are conducting racing without spectators during Wednesday's eight-race card, which begins at 12:40 p.m. The decision to limit attendance to horsemen, jockeys, essential staff, state-licensed officials and accredited media for the foreseeable future was made in response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) crisis.

Tracks in Florida, California, New York, Kentucky, Arkansas and Texas are racing without patrons. It was also announced that the Mar. 28 G1 Dubai World Cup card will be run without spectators. Keeneland's spring meeting, set to begin Apr. 2, will start without spectators.

At Tampa Bay Downs, The Downs Golf Practice Facility and The Silks Poker Room remain open until further notice. However, pari-mutuel wagering will not be offered onsite.

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CHURCHILL SIMULCASTING, DERBY CITY GAMING CLOSING FOR TWO WEEKS

Derby City Gaming, the Churchill Downs-owned casino in Louisville, as well as simulcasting at Churchill Downs itself, will close for 14 days in response to the coronavirus outbreak, Churchill Downs Incorporated announced Sunday.

In a statement released by Churchill, the company said, "In the best interest of our guests, employees and the community around us amid public health concerns regarding the coronavirus pandemic, Derby City Gaming and Churchill Downs Racetrack simulcasting has made the difficult decision to voluntarily suspend operations, effective Sunday, Mar. 15 at midnight, for 14 days. There have been no reported cases of COVID-19 at Derby City Gaming or Churchill Downs Racetrack. We sincerely apologize to our patrons for this abrupt notice and any inconvenience it may cause."

The statement went on to say the company plans to return to operation Mar. 30, and that it will continue normal payroll for all its team members during the 14-day break.

"With a heightened awareness of the ongoing developments of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are monitoring the situation with steadfast vigilance thanks to resources provided by the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control as well as the guidance of our local and state authorities and public health officials," the statement said. "Derby City Gaming and Churchill Downs Racetrack are committed to providing a safe and comfortable experience for our guests and look forward to returning to full operation."

Elsewhere in Kentucky, Lexington harness track The Red Mile announced it is closing for 14 days, while noting that it has had no cases of COVID-19 thus far.

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INDIANA GRAND, HOOSIER PARK CLOSING FOR TWO WEEKS

Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino, Indiana Grand Racing & Casino and Winner's Circle Race, Sports, Pub locations in Downtown Indianapolis, New Haven and Clarksville, Indiana, will be closing for at least 14 days beginning at 6:00 a.m. Monday. parent company Caesars Entertainment announced. The Indiana Gaming and Indiana Horse Racing Commissions also announced that all licensed gaming and racing operations in Indiana will close at 6:00 a.m. Monday.

"There have been no reported cases of COVID-19 at Caesars Entertainment's Indiana gaming and racing properties to date. This decision is a precautionary measure," Caesars Entertainment said in a statement. **Cont. p11**



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“The health and safety of our team members and guests are always a priority. Caesars Entertainment’s Indiana properties are closely monitoring this evolving situation and will work with the Indiana Gaming and Indiana Horse Racing Commissions to establish a reopening date as soon as it is appropriate to do so. We look forward to welcoming back team members and guests soon.”

Indiana Grand is scheduled to open its live 120-day race meet Tuesday, Apr. 14.

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BODY & SOUL

by Bob Fierro

EXTENDED RHYTHM

by Robert D. Fierro, DataTrack

The most frequently asked question your correspondent and his associates answer about biomechanical efficiency is (paraphrased), "What component, or combination of components, of a horse's mechanics other than speed is most likely to tickle your fancy?"

After almost 40 years of evaluating thousands of horses from four continents this is how we answer the question with some facts—those facts being actual race records. What better way to go about this than to assemble a test group of peers and apply those suspicions to that group?

Thus, for this study we selected a combination of the two factors that project the efficiency of a horse's stride mechanics --stride extension and stride rhythm--which are often not apparent to the naked eye based on conformation, walk or even breeze. In short, that's what tickles our fancy.

With those two factors isolated, we then decided that the perfect test group would be virtually every winner of a Triple Crown race from 2000 through 2018 (37 are in our database). We figured that if we can find commonality of stride characteristics in this group then we might be able to convert anecdote into to realism.

First, let's get some definitions out of the way.

Stride Extension: This component reflects how well a horse can extend its stride length without interference biomechanically. It takes into consideration several factors relative to the horse's height and various body lengths which tell us if the horse might be better at sprints or over a longer distance. A horse with less than adequate extension runs the risk of interfering with itself and/or not being able to recover quickly if it runs into trouble. If a horse has very good power and leverage through its rear end

components, however, it can overcome inadequate extension, but this is generally a rare occurrence.

Of the 37 Triple Crown race winners we examined, 33 (89%) had fairly good to excellent stride extension, four (11%) poor. Three of the four with poor extension, however, had excellent rear power and leverage mechanisms, and the other one was basically a one-paced galloper who needed to stay out of trouble, which he did mostly due to heady riding tactics.

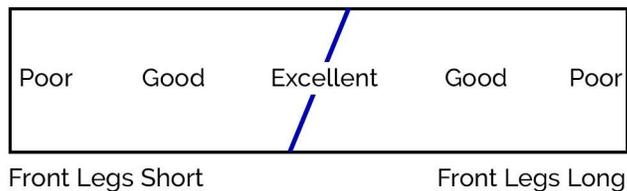
Stride Rhythm: This component determines how leg length and body-set are likely to work with, or against, each other during a race. Legs go through an internationally accepted standard growth curve between 30 and 48 months and in some cases the front legs are much shorter than the back, or vice versa, at 30 months but grow more equal at 48 months (or vice-versa).

The body-set of a horse is determined by the measured distances between the horse's elbow to the ground and the stifles and flank to the ground. The body-set indicates how it may perform more efficiently and is usually described as either "square," "downhill" or "uphill."

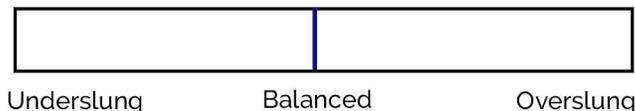
A square body-set with equal leg lengths indicates the horse is likely to be able to handle most distances on most tracks. Horses that are also a bit low to the ground with short front legs or a bit off-the-ground with longer leg lengths are also basically square. These distinctions are best explained in a series of graphs below.

The illustration is of a horse whose leg lengths are projected to be equal at 30 and 48 months (top of the box is 30 months) and whose body-set is square. This horse won the Preakness in the 2000s.

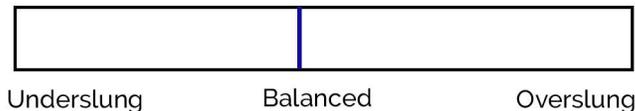
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Body Set at Elbow



Body Set at Flank



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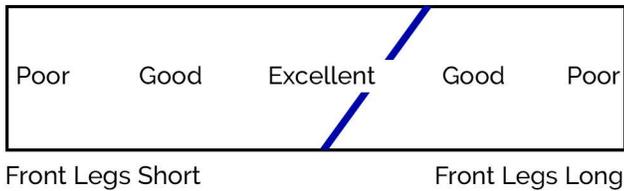
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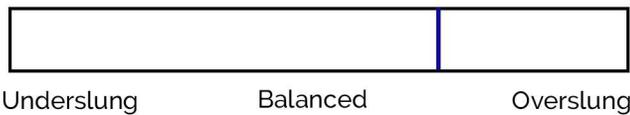
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Body-set which is "off the ground" may allow an efficiently made horse to handle sweeping turns and longer distances depending on leg length. The combination can enable a horse to leap to the lead early or settle back and wear them down. The illustration below is of a horse that won the Kentucky Derby wire-to-wire in the 2010s.

Balance of Front to Hind Legs



Body Set at Elbow

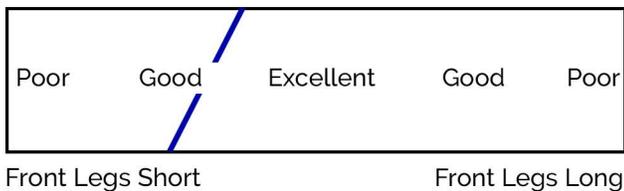


Body Set at Flank

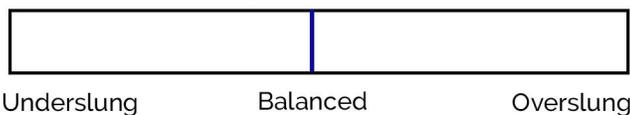


Downhill horses can be basically square but a bit low at the elbow and short in the front legs. Generally, this is the profile of a front running miler or a horse which needs to settle and build momentum around two turns.

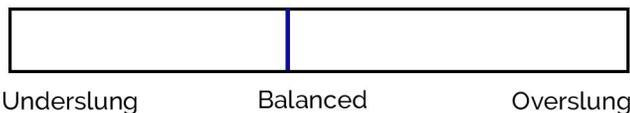
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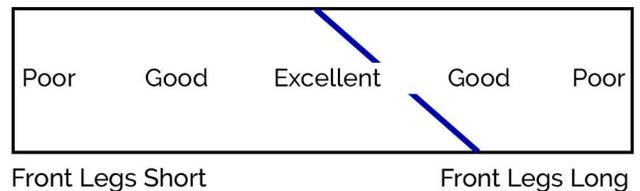


Above is an illustration of a Kentucky Derby winner in the 2010s who was able to use his speed to become a multiple stakes winner up to a mile on the head end but was also able to relax around two turns and steal a race like the Derby when his reserved energy and power kicked in late.

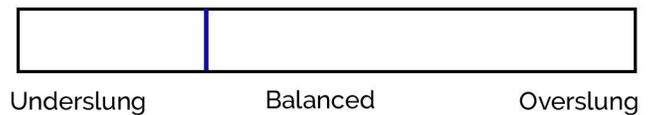
What we did not find among these Triple Crown race winners are horses whose body-sets and leg lengths were--how you say?--confused. Here are two examples of horses that were sold as yearlings in 2017, one for over \$600,000 and the other more than \$200,000.

Below is a filly who is low to the ground at the elbow with very long front legs. The likely result would be that her front legs would come up too far while her front end would want to come down--some would call it high knee action. She made one start and was unplaced.

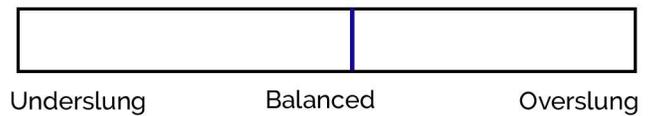
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Below is a colt who is well off-the-ground fore and aft but whose front legs are quite short. Thus, while his body has a lot of ground beneath it, his front legs would not have the length or trajectory to coordinate with that body and they would likely "pinwheel." **Cont. p13**

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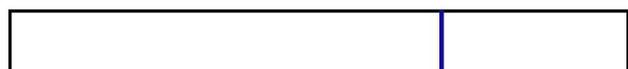
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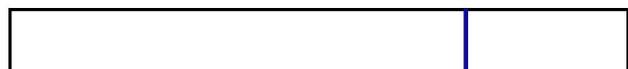
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Body Set at Elbow



Body Set at Flank



The bottom line here is that while there are racehorses that win good races regardless of their overall biomechanical profiles but it is more likely that they can win the big prizes if they're able to efficiently extend themselves and--with apologies to George Gershwin and Ethel Merman--if they've got rhythm.

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Horse trainers angry, unsettled by cheating scandal

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

DAMON RUNYON S., \$103,500, Aqueduct, 3-15, (S), 3yo, 7f, 1:25.89, ft.

1--**DREAM BIGGER, 122, c, 3, by Mission Impazible**

1st Dam: Downtown Daria, by Sky Mesa

2nd Dam: Hongkong Charley, by Tour d'Or

3rd Dam: Diff E Q, by Cormorant

(\$15,000 Wlg '17 FTNMIX; \$65,000 Ylg '18 SARAUG; \$205,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR). O-Repole Stable; B-Sequel New York, Twin Creeks Racing & Pamela Zielinski (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez; J-Junior Alvarado. \$57,750. Lifetime Record: 7-3-3-1, \$376,178.

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2--**More Grayful, 118, g, 3, Graydar--More Than Beauty, by More Than Ready.** O-Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC & Brent Gasaway; B-Twin Creeks Farm (NY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$20,000.

3--**Bourbon Bay, 118, c, 3, Bayern--Savvy Sassy, by Street Sense.** (\$205,000 Ylg '18 SARAUG; \$240,000 RNA 2yo '19 FTFMAR). O-Bourbon Lane Stable (J. Hill, M. McMahon), Seidman Stables LLC & Lake Lonely Racing; B-Oak Bluff Stables, LLC & Christophe Clement (NY); T-Mark A. Hennig. \$12,000.

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Dream Bigger romped home a 10 3/4-length winner of the New York Breeders' Futurity last September at the Finger Lakes and added the Notebook S. at Aqueduct in November before concluding his juvenile campaign with a nosed-out second in the Dec. 14 New York Stallion Series S. He was third after setting the pace in the Jan. 12 Rego Park S. last time out. The gray colt broke inward, but rushed up to contest the early pace with Scilly Cay (Fed Biz). The favorite inched away on the far turn and bound clear down the lane for an authoritative victory.

"He ran a big race," said winning trainer Rudy Rodriguez. "He broke a little slow, but Junior [Alvarado] hustled him out of there and they took it from there."

Alvarado added, "My only plan today was to put him on the lead and see how long he could carry his speed. Today, he had a good day, and he carried it all the way to the wire." **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, (S), Alw, 3-15, (NW2L), 3yo, 6f, 1:10.81, ft.

WIN YA WIN (g, 3, Star Guitar--Wild About Marie {MSW, \$328,629}, by Wildcat Heir) romped by 4 3/4 lengths at Delta Downs Feb. 5, and overcame a bump at the start to win by two lengths as part of a 4-1 entry. Pickens (Goldencents) was second. The winner is full to Wild About Star, SW, \$190,200; Minit to Stardom, GSW, \$536,180; and colts born in 2018, 2019 and 2020. Sales history: \$75,000 RNA Ylg '18 OBSOCT; \$77,000 RNA 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$51,600. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Brittlyn, Inc. (LA); T-Jose M. Camejo.

4th-Fair Grounds, \$41,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-15, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:38.76, fm.

HENDY WOODS (f, 3, Uncle Mo--Separate Forest {GSW, \$206,525}, by Forestry), who RNA'd for \$95,000 at the 2018 Keeneland September sale, forged to a 3/4-length victory in her unveiling over this trip and course Jan. 18. Sent off at 2-1, the bay filly sat off the pace while racing along the rail as Ginseng (Tiznow) took the field through fractions of :24.55 and :49.72. Tipped out at the top of the lane, she raced greenly but was still able to overtake the pacesetter to win going away by 1 1/2 lengths. Stonestreet Stables purchased Separate Forest, winner of the 2011 GIII Las Cienegas H., for \$230,000 at the 2012 Keeneland January sale. Her Street Sense colt RNA'd for \$22,000 at last year's Keeneland September Yearling Sale. She produced a colt by More Than Ready last year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$54,600.

O-Stonestreet Stables LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Oaklawn, \$87,000, Msw, 3-15, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45.73, my. STRONG FLAG (f, 3, Strong Mandate--Fly the Flag, by Giant's Causeway), third sprinting on debut at Churchill last November, stretched to a mile to be a close-up fourth over this track last time out Feb. 9. Sent off at 4-1, the bay filly shadowed the Cherokee Maiden (Distorted Humor) through fractions of :24.52 and :48.93. The pacesetting favorite attempted to inch away on the far turn, but Strong Flag reeled her in into the stretch and strode clear in the final furlong to win by 3 1/4 lengths. A \$435,000 FTKJUL yearling, Strong Flag is a half-sister to Amazonian (Malibu Moon), SW & GSP. WinStar Farm purchased Fly the Flag, with the winner in utero, for \$90,000 at the 2016 Keeneland November sale. A daughter of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner My Flag (Easy Goer) and a granddaughter of the great Personal Ensign (Private Account), the mare produced a filly by Outwork last year and was bred back to Bolt d'Oro. Her Distorted Humor filly RNA'd for \$95,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$65,950.

O-Alex & JoAnn Lieblong; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.



Strong Flag | Sarah Andrew

9th-Aqueduct, \$60,000, (S), Msw, 3-15, 3yo, 6f, 1:13.22, ft. GANDY DANCING (c, 3, Flatter--Wild Grace, by Forest Wildcat) showed an upbeat series of drills at Palm Meadows, and was 5-2 while shipping up to face fellow state-breds. Perched to the outside in fourth early as the leading duo duelled up front, the dark bay bounded his way up to challenge ominously approaching the quarter pole. He seized the lead with a full head of steam in upper stretch and, after a delayed lead change, found another gear to run up the score to 6 3/4 head-turning lengths. Farragut (Afleet Alex) was second. The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister by Shackleford and a yearling half-brother by More Than Ready. His dam was bred back to Candy Ride (Arg). Sales history: \$210,000 Ylg '18 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Wise Racing; B-Jay Hanley (NY); T-Chad C. Brown.



5th-Aqueduct, \$60,000, (S), Msw, 3-15, 3yo, 6f, 1:13.88, ft. SLASH GORDON (c, 3, Big Brown--Backslash, by Sharp Humor), sent off at 3-1, pressed pacesetting Microsecond (Micromanage) through fractions of :23.28 and :47.57 and grittily got past that foe in the final strides to win by a head. Stash My Money (Central Banker) was a nose back in third. The winner is a half-brother to My Boy Tate (Boys At Tosconova), MSW, \$385,400. Backslash produced a filly by Bernardini last year and a filly by Frosted this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,000.

O-Little Red Feather Racing & Michelle Nevin; B/T-Michelle Nevin (NY).

1st-Santa Anita, \$56,000, Msw, 3-15, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.87, gd. SHOOTERS SHOOT (c, 3, Competitive Edge--Repeat, by Bernardini), who opened his career with a pair of outings at Del Mar last August, resurfaced off a five-month layoff to finish fourth going 5 1/2 furlongs at this oval Jan. 26 and was most recently second behind 'TDN Rising Star' Charlatan (Speightstown) going six furlongs Feb. 16. The 5-1 shot took the lead into the first turn and set fractions of :22.89 and :46.67. He scampered further clear at the top of the lane and sailed home an easy 3 1/4-length winner. Friar's Road (Quality Road) was second. Even-money favorite Yeng Again (Carpe Diem) chased the pacesetter four wide before tiring to fourth.

"It looks like he'll get two turns, so we'll enjoy this one," said winning trainer Peter Eurton. "He was second to a pretty nice colt the other day, so we'll see where we go."

Repeat, a daughter of Letgomyecho (Menifee), produced a colt by Will Take Charge in 2019 and was bred back to Collected. Sales history: \$90,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$70,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$58,280.

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O-ERJ Racing, LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC & Dan Hudock; B-Nancy C. Shuford (KY); T-Peter Eurton.

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1st-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw, 3-15, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:17.16, ft. **BOERNE (f, 3, Fed Biz--Seeking the Jewel, by Seeking the Gold)**, a \$10,000 FTKOCT yearling, faded to fifth in her 5 1/2-furlong debut at Gulfstream Park West Nov. 6. Dismissed at 13-1, the dark bay filly jumped out to the early lead and was never challenged while striding home a 3 1/2-length winner. Favored Pilot Episode (Speightstown) chased throughout and came home second. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by **Fasig-Tipton**. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$26,180.

O-De Luca & Sons Stable; B-Randi & Eric Moreau-Sipiere (TX); T-Juan Carlos Avila.

6th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw, 3-15, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:36.66, ft. **YOUNGEST OF FIVE (g, 4, Super Saver--Roadtohana, by Not For Love)** was second sprinting here Feb. 27, and was backed down to 9-10 on the stretch-out. Chasing inside from third through solid splits, the homebred tipped out to challenge heading for home and kicked on convincingly from there to score by 4 1/2 lengths. Longshot Armando R (Blame) spiced up the exacta. The winner is half to Southampton Way (Into Mischief), GSP, \$108,480; All I Karabout (Bernstein), SP, \$157,427; and Tell a Great Story (Bluegrass Cat), SW & GSP, \$139,070. He has a 2-year-old half-brother by Orb and yearling half-brother by Bernardini, and his dam most recently visited Runhappy. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$35,260. Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by **Fasig-Tipton**. O/B-Sagamore Farm (MD); T-Stanley M. Hough.

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CURRIBOT H., \$75,000, Sunland, 3-15, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.32, ft.

1--**RESTRAINEDVENGEANCE**, 124, g, 5, **Hold Me Back--Cupids Revenge (MSW, \$215,694)**, by **Red Ransom**. (\$67,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). O-Kelly Brinkerhoff & Bob Grayson, Jr.; B-Westwind Farms (KY); T-Val Brinkerhoff; J-Francisco Arrieta. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 21-6-2-1, \$409,222. *1/2 to Latent Revenge (Latent Heat), GSP, \$309,624; B G Suavecito (Suave), SW, \$103,424.

2--**Gato Guapo**, 118, g, 5, **Factum--Run Macy Run**, by **West Acre**. O-Charles Garvey; B-Stonehedge LLC (FL); T-Robertino Diodoro. \$15,000.

3--**Raagheb**, 121, g, 8, **Street Cry (Ire)--Mostaqeleh**, by **Rahy**. O-Paul Miller & Bill Tomasic; B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY); T-Justin R. Evans. \$7,500.

Margins: 3/4, 6, 3/4. Odds: 0.90, 5.10, 6.20.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Oaklawn, \$94,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 3-15, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:38.24, my.

M G WARRIOR (h, 5, Majestic Warrior--Marvel Gaye, by Bowman's Band) Lifetime Record: 14-5-4-0, \$282,421. O-Chrysalis Stables LLC; B-Stephanie S. Clark (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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7th-Oaklawn, \$90,000, 3-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.85, my.

CANDY CORNELL (h, 5, Candy Ride {Arg}--Mesana, by Mizzen Mast) Lifetime Record: 17-2-5-3, \$179,080. O-Arnold Bennewith; B-Stephen B. Weissman Living Trust (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro.

7th-Aqueduct, \$70,998, 3-15, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:38.91, ft.

FREEDOM PRINCE (g, 4, Freedom Child--Aqua Regia {GSP, \$152,380}, by Pollard's Vision) Lifetime Record: 9-3-3-0, \$140,402. O-Granny Reeves Stable LLC; B-St. Elias Stable, LLC & Peta Ryan (NY); T-Thomas Albertrani.

5th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, (S), 3-15, (NW2L), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.77, ft.

FLASHYBOY'S LILSIS (f, 4, Flashpoint--Mikalalah Faith, by Petionville) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$76,580. O/B/T-Thomas Bobb (LA).

9th-Gulfstream, \$45,400, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 3-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.25, ft.

FREUDIAN FINISH (f, 4, Haynesfield--Psychadelacized, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$95,348. O-Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEEJAN; \$37,000 RNA Ylg '17 FTKJUL; \$35,000 Ylg '17 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Summer to Remember (Summer Front), GSP.

8th-Fair Grounds, \$42,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 3-15, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.21, fm.

SHARP PROSPECT (c, 4, Into Mischief--Boom Town Girl {MSW & MGSP, \$283,715}, by Unbridled) Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-1, \$105,905. O-Barry & Joni Butzow; B-Winchester Farm (KY); T-Joe Sharp. *\$100,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$90,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP.

8th-Sam Houston Race, \$37,000, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-14, 3yo, 1mT, 1:40.34, fm.

CLEVER UNION (c, 3, Overanalyze--Paris Girl, by Pulpit) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-3, \$45,650. O-Johnny B. Evans & Terry Eoff; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Terry Eoff. *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP.

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6th-Charles Town, \$28,000, (S), 3-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :54.43, ft.

UNDENIABLE TOUCH (f, 3, Unbridled Energy--Touch of Ginger, by Alphabet Soup) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$30,525. O-Frank Farnum; B-Williams Racing Corp (WV); T-Anthony Lucas.

7th-Charles Town, \$28,000, 3-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :54.05, ft.

NELLYSFORD (m, 5, During--Jumelle Springs, by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: 35-5-15-3, \$181,558. O-Ray M. Pennington, III; B-Ray M. Pennington (WV); T-Ollie L. Figgins, III. *1/2 to Unaquoi (Gattopardo), SW, \$321,725.

5th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$20,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 3-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.51, ft.

KONZA KANDY (f, 4, Twirling Candy--Heart Thief, by Runaway Groom) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-3-3-4, \$69,530. O/B-Asiel Stable LLC (KS); T-Carlos H. Silva.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shari's Tune, f, 3, **Adios Charlie**--Holiday Tune, by Concorde's Tune. Tampa Bay Downs, 3-15, 5fT, :57.51. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *\$160,000 2yo '19 OBSOPN.

Magic Michael, g, 3, **Dramedy**--Bear All, by Kitalpha. Sam Houston Race, 3-14, (C), 7f, 1:24.42. B-Aschinger Bloodstock Holdings, LLC (KY). *\$5,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Night Ops (Warrior's Reward), SW, \$554,356.

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Bear's Estate, g, 3, **Real Estate**--Bear'slitttlebeauty (MSP, \$141,142), by Copelan Too. Charles Town, 3-14, (S), 4 1/2f, :54.67. B-Elex Dale Bowman & Christine Bowman White (WV).

Cause, g, 3, **The Factor**--Flash Act, by Sky Mesa. Aqueduct, 3-15, (S), (C), 6f, 1:15.04. B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY). *\$28,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$65,000 Ylg '18 SARAUG. **Full to Nine Route, SW, \$128,948.

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Sylvanella, f, 3, **The Factor**--Silva (Fr) (MSW-Fr, \$104,151), by Anabaa. Gulfstream, 3-15, (C), 1mT, 1:36.18. B-Brookdale Thoroughbreds Inc (KY).

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Empressive Reward, f, 3, **Warrior's Reward**--Empressive Humor, by Distorted Humor. Sam Houston Race, 3-14, (S), 1mT, 1:39.77. B-Jerry Durant (TX). *\$25,000 Ylg '18 TTAMIX.

Young Phillip, c, 4, **Gemologist**--Chokonni, by Arch. Sam Houston Race, 3-14, 5 1/2f, 1:05.61. B-John Liviakis (KY).

Hollywood Heat, c, 4, **Hoorayforhollywood**--Multiplyingtheheat by Unusual Heat. Golden Gate Fields, 3-15, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.99. B-Linda Madsen (CA).

Major Kong, g, 4, **Tizbud**--Madeline Ruby, by Yankee Gentleman. Golden Gate Fields, 3-15, 1m (AWT), 1:38.08. B-Joseph P. Morey Jr. Revocable Trust (CA).

Aquina's Advice, f, 4, **Violence**--Veiled Threat, by You and I. Sunland, 3-15, 5 1/2f, 1:04.63. B-John Antonelli (CA). *\$80,000 Ylg '17 BAROCT; \$95,000 RNA 2yo '18 BARAPR; \$100,000 2yo '18 OBSOPN.

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Sunday Sermon, g, 5, **Ordained**--Away She Go, by Smoke Glacken. Oaklawn, 3-15, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:47.19. B-Pleasant Hills Training Center (AR).



ADIOS CHARLIE, Shari's Tune, f, 3, o/o Holiday Tune, by Concorde's Tune. MSW, 3-15, Tampa Bay

BIG BROWN, Slash Gordon, c, 3, o/o Backslash, by Sharp Humor. MSW, 3-15, Aqueduct

CANDY RIDE (ARG), Candy Cornell, h, 5, o/o Mesana, by Mizzen Mast. ALW, 3-15, Oaklawn

COMPETITIVE EDGE, Shooters Shoot, c, 3, o/o Repeat, by Bernardini. MSW, 3-15, Santa Anita

DRAMEDY, Magic Michael, g, 3, o/o Bear All, by Kitalpha. MCL, 3-14, Sam Houston

DURING, Nellysford, m, 5, o/o Jumelle Springs, by More Than Ready. ALW, 3-14, Charles Town

FED BIZ, Boerne, f, 3, o/o Seeking the Jewel, by Seeking the Gold. MSW, 3-15, Gulfstream

FLASHPOINT, Flashyboy's Lisis, f, 4, o/o Mikalah Faith, by Petionville. ALW, 3-15, Fair Grounds

FLATTER, Gandy Dancing, c, 3, o/o Wild Grace, by Forest Wildcat. MSW, 3-15, Aqueduct

FREEDOM CHILD, Freedom Prince, g, 4, o/o Aqua Regia, by Pollard's Vision. ALW, 3-15, Aqueduct

GEMOLOGIST, Young Phillip, c, 4, o/o Chokonni, by Arch. MSW, 3-14, Sam Houston

HAYNESFIELD, Freudian Finish, f, 4, o/o Psychadelacized, by Distorted Humor. AOC, 3-15, Gulfstream

HOLD ME BACK, Restrainedvengence, g, 5, o/o Cupids Revenge, by Red Ransom. Curribot H., 3-15, Sunland

HOORAYFORHOLLYWOOD, Hollywood Heat, c, 4, o/o Multiplyingtheheat, by Unusual Heat. MSW, 3-15, Golden Gate

INTO MISCHIEF, Sharp Prospect, c, 4, o/o Boom Town Girl, by Unbridled. AOC, 3-15, Fair Grounds

MAJESTIC WARRIOR, M G Warrior, h, 5, o/o Marvel Gaye, by Bowman's Band. AOC, 3-15, Oaklawn

MISSION IMPAZIBLE, Dream Bigger, c, 3, o/o Downtown Daria, by Sky Mesa. Damon Runyon S., 3-15, Aqueduct

ORDAINED, Sunday Sermon, g, 5, o/o Away She Go, by Smoke Glacken. MSW, 3-15, Oaklawn

OVERANALYZE, Clever Union, c, 3, o/o Paris Girl, by Pulpit. AOC, 3-14, Sam Houston

REAL ESTATE, Bear's Estate, g, 3, o/o Bear'slitttlebeauty, by Copelan Too. MSW, 3-14, Charles Town

STAR GUITAR, Win Ya Win, g, 3, o/o Wild About Marie, by Wildcat Heir. ALW, 3-15, Fair Grounds

STRONG MANDATE, Strong Flag, f, 3, o/o Fly the Flag, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 3-15, Oaklawn

SUPER SAVER, Youngest of Five, g, 4, o/o Roadtohanna, by Not For Love. MSW, 3-15, Gulfstream

THE FACTOR, Cause, g, 3, o/o Flash Act, by Sky Mesa. MCL, 3-15, Aqueduct

THE FACTOR, Sylvanella, f, 3, o/o Silva (Fr), by Anabaa. MCL, 3-15, Gulfstream

TIZBUD, Major Kong, g, 4, o/o Madeline Ruby, by Yankee Gentleman. MSW, 3-15, Golden Gate

TWIRLING CANDY, Konza Kandy, f, 4, o/o Heart Thief, by Runaway Groom. AOC, 3-15, Tampa Bay

UNBRIDLED ENERGY, Undeniable Touch, f, 3, o/o Touch of Ginger, by Alphabet Soup. ALW, 3-14, Charles Town

UNCLE MO, Hendy Woods, f, 3, o/o Separate Forest, by Forestry. AOC, 3-15, Fair Grounds

VIOLENCE, Aquina's Advice, f, 4, o/o Veiled Threat, by You and I. MSW, 3-15, Sunland

WARRIOR'S REWARD, Empressive Reward, f, 3, o/o Empressive Humor, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 3-14, Sam Houston