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OUT OF NOWHERE, ROCK YOUR WORLD EMERGES AS SERIOUS DERBY THREAT



Rock Your World | Benoit Photo

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

When **Rock Your World** (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) won the Pasadena S. at Santa Anita Mar. 6, it appeared that he could develop into a quality turf horse, who, like many horses trained by John Sadler, would take a while to fully develop. But Sadler had other ideas. This was going to be his GI Kentucky Derby horse.

"He had always trained well on the dirt," Sadler said. "Sometimes you run on turf when you don't think they are training well on dirt. He was training well on dirt, but we decided the way to develop him was to start him on the grass and then switch him over. Until they have run on it you can't be 100 % confident, but it wasn't like he had never trained well on the dirt."

It was easy to overlook Rock Your World in Saturday's GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby. He had never run on the dirt, had never run particularly fast and was going up against a Bob Baffert-trained heavy favorite in **Medina Spirit** (Protonico) in a race that Baffert has dominated. He easily could have been a non-factor before returning to the grass.

Based on what we saw Saturday, Rock Your World has run in his last grass race. After setting the pace, he drew off to win by 4 1/4 lengths and earn a 100 Beyer Speed Figure. With Life Is Good (**Into Mischief**) on the sidelines, he is the only active 3-year-old to run a figure in the triple digits. **Cont. p3**

GAMINE GALLOPS AS EXPECTED IN 4YO

DEBUT by *Brian DiDonato*

Michael Lund's **Gamine** (**Into Mischief**) ran to overwhelming favoritism in what amounted to a paid workout in Sunday's GIII Las Flores S. at Santa Anita. Last seen solidifying champion female sprinter honors with a 6 1/4-length drubbing of formidable elders in Keeneland's GI Breeders' Cup F/M Sprint Nov. 7, the newly turned 4-year-old was supplemented to this event for \$2,000 and took practically every penny of tote support to be off at 1-9. Ridden along from the fence by John Velazquez to seize the early lead, she looked more like 1-900 after that, clicking off splits of :22.74 and :45.77 while perhaps bearing out slightly turning for home under stout restraint. A bit slow to switch her leads, the chalk found her footing after a right-handed reminder and cantered away from there to run up the score to five lengths. Fellow Bob Baffert trainee **Qahira** (**Cairo Prince**) was best of the remaining three. **Cont. p6**

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What a laugher: Hall of Famers John Velazquez and Bob Baffert in good spirits after Gamine (Into Mischief)'s romp in Sunday's GIII Las Flores S. | Benoit Photo

SUNDAY MORNING STAKES-RUNNER ROUND-UP

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Trainers provide morning-after updates following a jam-packed Saturday of racing that featured graded action at Aqueduct, Keeneland, Santa Anita and Oaklawn.

HANDLE STRONG ON SANTA ANITA DERBY CARD

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*Santa Anita reported strong handle numbers on its GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby card Saturday.*

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Another plus is his running style. He led every step of the way in the Santa Anita Derby under Umberto Rispoli, but doesn't have to have the lead. It's easy to envision him sitting fourth early in the Kentucky Derby, getting the ideal trip. Then there's his breeding. A mile-and-a-quarter will not be a problem.

"What I like most about my horse is with the way he is bred, we always felt the further the better," Sadler said. "You have Empire Maker on the dam's side and **Candy Ride** on the top side. I really feel with the way he moves that more distance will be good for him."

This could be the type of breakthrough 3-year-old Sadler has been waiting for since beginning his career in 1978. While he has excelled with older dirt horses, he's never had a horse good enough to make his presence felt in the Triple Crown races. Sadler is 0-for-4 in the Derby and his best finish came with Corby, who was sixth, in 1993. It took him 17 years to get back to the Derby, and his three starters since 2010 have not finished better than 13th.

"I didn't sleep last night," Sadler said Sunday morning. "I guess that gives you an indication of how I'm feeling about this. I feel this will be the best chance I've ever had to win the Derby and that we will go in with a good horse. I feel very good about where we are at."

As for the rest of the field in the Santa Anita Derby, it's hard to imagine anyone but Rock Your World winning at Churchill Downs. Runner-up Medina Spirit is a consistent horse, but his three second-place finishes this year indicate that he is a cut below the very best in the division. Third-place finisher **Dream Shake (Twirling Candy)** obviously has some talent but he has some catching up to do before he can be considered a top colt.



Rock Your World | Horsephotos

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1	Ghostzapper (2000) by Awesome Again FYR: 2007 Crops: 13 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY (Fee \$85,000) Named Foals: 1037 Starters: 115	6 [5.22]	7 [6.09]	2 [1.74]	4 [3.48]	1 [0.87]	1 [0.87]	115	36 [31.30] AWD YTD: 7.21	46	\$7,320,000 Mystic Guide AWD Lifetime: 7.20	\$78,510	\$9,028,670
2	Speightstown (1998) by Gone West FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: WinStar Farm KY (Fee \$90,000) Named Foals: 1187 Starters: 146	4 [2.74]	13 [8.90]	3 [2.05]	6 [4.11]			146	40 [27.40] AWD YTD: 6.54	44	\$3,500,000 Charlatan AWD Lifetime: 6.58	\$43,085	\$6,290,365
3	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday FYR: 2010 Crops: 10 Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY (Fee \$225,000) Named Foals: 1040 Starters: 240	14 [5.83]	27 [11.25]	5 [2.08]	11 [4.58]			240	16 [6.67] AWD YTD: 6.77	16	\$270,000 Mandaloun AWD Lifetime: 6.77	\$22,625	\$5,429,918
4	Medaglia d'Oro (1999) by El Prado (Ire) FYR: 2006 Crops: 14 Stands: Darley KY (Fee \$150,000) Named Foals: 1532 Starters: 240	5 [4.07]						240		197	\$38,545 City	\$38,545	\$4,740,976



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Essential Quality Solid in Blue Grass Win

Unless Concert Tour (**Street Sense**) runs a crazy good race in Saturday's GI Arkansas Derby, **Essential Quality** (**Tapit**) will be the Derby favorite, but he certainly doesn't look invincible. Not, at least, after the GII Toyota Blue Grass S.

Essential Quality is not one of those horses who ever takes your breath away, and that was again the case Saturday at Keeneland. In what was a two-horse race every step of the way, Essential Quality was able to wear down **Highly Motivated** (**Into Mischief**) in deep stretch after battling that one most of the way. He won by a neck and earned a 97 Beyer.



Essential Quality | Coady Photo

Will a similar effort be good enough to win the Kentucky Derby? It may. It may not. Whereas Life Is Good might have been a heavy favorite in the Derby had he stayed healthy, it looks like Essential Quality's odds will be in the 7-2 range.

Highly Motivated will also take some money at Churchill Downs and rightly so. He put up a very good fight in the Blue Grass in his first-ever start around two turns and probably hasn't run anywhere close to his best race yet. The 3-year-old colts are not normally Chad Brown's strength, but he has a good one here in Highly Motivated. Brown is 0-for-5 in the Derby.

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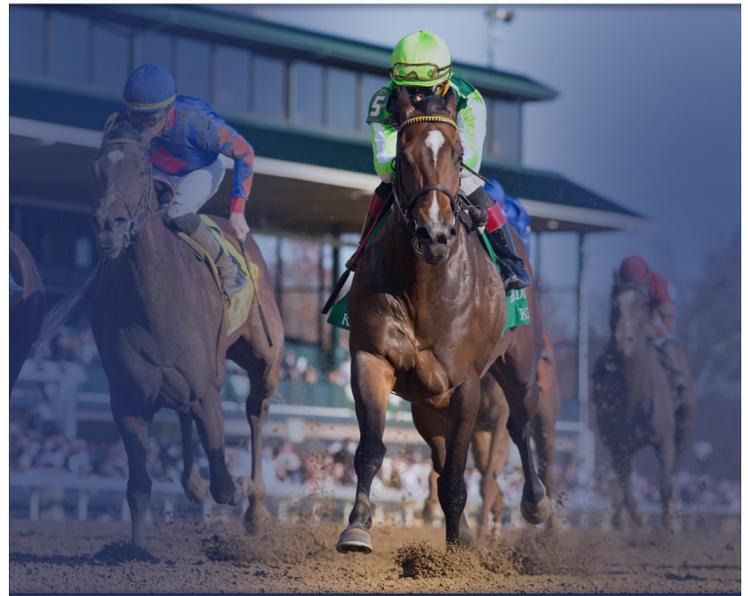
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"We hooked up at the top of the stretch and we had a good battle all the way to the wire," said Highly Motivated's rider Javier Castellano. "He ran huge. I am very happy with my horse."

No one else out of the Blue Grass figures to be a factor in the Derby.

A Shocker in the Wood Memorial

The GII Wood Memorial has struggled in recent years to produce top candidates for the Kentucky Derby and this year looks like it will be more of the same.

No Wood Memorial winner has won the Derby since Fusaichi Pegasus in 2000 and the last Wood starter to win the Derby was Funny Cide in 2003.

Calumet Farm has never been afraid to run big longshots in major races and it paid off Saturday at Aqueduct, where 72-1 **Bourbonic** (**Bernardini**) closed for last to win by a neck over **Dynamite One** (**Union Rags**). Both are trained by Todd Pletcher and the all-Pletcher exacta paid \$906 for \$2. The final time was 1:54.49, the slowest ever in the Wood, but the race was run over a very deep racetrack. He got an 89 Beyer figure.

Good job by NBC's Randy Moss, who predicted the final time would be the slowest in the race's history.

Bourbonic, who was ridden by Kendrick Carmouche, clearly took advantage of the fact that several of the top Wood contenders did not run their race. **Risk Taking** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) was seventh and the highly regarded **Prevalence** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) was sixth in his stakes debut. **Crowded Trade** (**More Than Ready**), the second choice at 5-2, ran third but was never a serious threat.



Kendrick Carmouche after the Wood | Sarah Andrew

Just one week earlier, it looked like Pletcher might not have a starter in the Derby. He's started at least one horse every year since 2003. He now has four horses who have enough points to get into the Derby field. Along with the two Wood horses, he has GI **Curlin** Florida Derby winner **Known Agenda** (**Curlin**) and Jeff Ruby Steaks S. runner-up **Sainthood** (**Mshawish**). **Cont. p6**

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1--**GAMINE**, 124, f, 4, by **Into Mischief**



1st Dam: Peggy Jane (SP, \$102,050), by Kafwain

2nd Dam: Seattle Splash, by Chief Seattle

3rd Dam: Grand Splash, by Bucksplasher

'TDN Rising Star'. (\$220,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$1,800,000 2yo '19 EASMAY). O-Michael Lund Petersen; B-Grace Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-John R. Velazquez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. Female Sprint, MGISW, 7-5-0-0, \$943,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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3--**Biddy Duke**, 124, f, 4, **Bayern**--Ghostslayer, by **Ghostzapper**.

(\$22,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$30,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKOCT; \$40,000 2yo '19 FTKHRA). O-Joseph E. Besecker; B-Machmer Hall & D + J Racing LLC (KY); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$12,000.

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"She came back so good," Velazquez said. "Bob has done a great job to bring her back after so many months on a layoff. She felt as good as last year. Bob thinks she's not ready yet, that's what he told me. She does everything so effortlessly, it's just everything she does makes my job a lot easier. I just steer where I want to go and that's it. That's the biggest point of her strength I believe."



Gamine | *Benoit Photo*

The \$1.8-million Fasig-Tipton Midlantic '19 topper off a powerful :10 flat breeze was a shoe-in for **'TDN Rising Star'**-dom when she surfaced here last March to open her account a 6 1/4-length victoress. She bested eventual GISW Speech (**Mr Speaker**) when stretched out to two turns in an Oaklawn allowance in May, but was subsequently DQ'd for a **lidocaine positive**. After an 18 3/4-length laughter in the GI Acorn S. at Belmont June 20 first time under Velazquez, she took Saratoga's GI Test S. Aug. 8 by seven lengths going seven eighths. The bay was 7-10 to see out nine furlongs in the Sept. 4 GI Kentucky Oaks, but never looked like herself that day and checked in third before again being stripped of purse earnings, this time for the anti-inflammatory **betamethasone**. Gamine presented further evidence that one turn might be her best game when pairing up her 110 Acorn Beyer Speed Figure in the F/M Sprint, crushing the likes of speedy MGISW Serengeti Empress (**Alternation**) and in-form Bell's the One (Majesticperfection).

"She looked fantastic, they both (Qahira) looked fantastic in the paddock and the only thing I was worried about was bad luck," Baffert said. "I told [Johnny] before, 'With the one hole make sure you don't let her make the gap. Ride her like she's 10-1.' I'm happy for my owners and everybody involved. They are excited, it's Easter Sunday, so it's a big win. For her to start off here, I'm glad I got to run her. There's a lot of people who came out to watch her run."

"[The fans] saw one of the greatest fillies I've ever trained going one turn. Hopefully we'll stretch her out. Michael Lund has been a great supporter of mine. I told him I was going to give her a little race but the purse isn't very big. But he was excited he said, 'I want to see her run.' So when you own one like that it's fun to see them run."

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Danish-born and Maryland-based Lund has also campaigned the likes of MGSW **Mor Spirit** (Eskendereya) and \$625,000 FTMMAY purchase and MGSW Mucho Gusto (**Mucho Macho Man**), who he sold to Prince Faisal before the fellow Baffert pupil took last year's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S. Presented by **Runhappy**. The Pandora Jewelry co-founder went back to the well at Fasig Midlantic last term, purchasing a sale-topping **Uncle Mo** filly for \$1.1 million who remains unraced and unnamed.

Pedigree Notes:

A major factor in her sire **Into Mischief's** **progeny earnings record** in 2020, along with former stablemate and Horse of the Year **Authentic**, Gamine is one of 39 graded winners for the Spendthrift super sire. She is one of his nine highest-level winners, which now also includes Mischevious Alex after Saturday's dominant victory in the GI Carter H.

Kafwain has sired the dams of four graded/group winners, including fellow Test S. heroine Paola Queen (**Flatter**). Gamine's dam Peggy Jane was a \$200,000 OBSAPR '11 purchase by Barbara Banke's Grace Stables. Peggy Jane's 3-year-old colt Splashtown (Speightsown) was a \$300,000 FTKOCT yearling and is on the worktab at Palm Beach Downs. She has a **Ghostzapper** juvenile filly and a **Kantharos** yearling colt and was most recently bred back to **Into Mischief**.

Banke's Stonestreet was represented by a pair of standout fillies in the GI Kentucky Oaks division in homebred and GIII Fantasy S. heroine Pauline's Pearl (**Tapit**) and Stonestreet bred and sold GI Ashland S. winner Malathaat (**Curlin**).

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SUNDAY MORNING STAKES RUNNER ROUND-UP

- Trainer Brad Cox was plenty pleased with how champion juvenile and **'TDN Rising Star' Essential Quality (Tapit)** exited Saturday's hard-fought decision in Keeneland's GII Toyota Blue Grass S. "He looks good this morning and I am happy with the way he came out of the race," Cox said Sunday. "I liked that he got a test yesterday. It was not like he just galloped up to the leader and went on by." Essential Quality will join Cox's string at Churchill Downs after training Monday to prepare for the GI Kentucky Derby.
- Blue Grass runner-up **Highly Motivated (Into Mischief)** was also no worse for wear according to trainer Chad Brown's assistant Whit Beckman: "He is good this morning. He put in a valiant effort yesterday going two turns for the first time. He



Essential Quality | Coady Photo

took all the heat and kept battling... I am not sure [how long he will stay at Keeneland], but knowing Chad I would not be surprised to see him go to Churchill for a couple of works."

- Conditioner Mike McCarthy told the Keeneland notes team that Blue Grass third finisher **Rombauer (Twirling Candy)**, who is right on the Derby points bubble currently, might wait for the May 15 GI Preakness S.
- Fourth-place **Hidden Stash (Constitution)**, 23rd on points for now, may also be Preakness or Belmont-bound. "He is good this morning," trainer Vicki Oliver said. "We will see what the owners want to do--either the Derby or, if he looks tired, wait for the Preakness or [GI] Belmont [S]."
- GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. winner **Keepmeinmind (Laoban)**'s fifth-place run in the Blue Grass had his trainer Robertino Diodoro scratching his head: "I don't know what to tell you. Obviously we don't have enough points [to make the Derby] and what's next, that's the million-dollar question." Diodoro also sent out **Ava's Grace (Laoban)** Saturday to a runner-up finish in Oaklawn's GIII Honeybee S. "We are pretty excited about her," he said of the lightly raced GI Kentucky Oaks prospect. "I don't know if she will come [to Keeneland] first and then go to Louisville, but either way we have to get her up here ASAP from Oaklawn." **Cont. p8**

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- Trainer Todd Pletcher's productive Saturday at both Keeneland and Aqueduct included victories in the GI Central Bank Ashland S. with '**Rising Star**' **Malathaat** (**Curlin**) and with **Jouster** (Noble Mission {GB}) in the GI Appalachian S. Presented by Japan Racing Association. "They are all good this morning," said Amelia Green, who is overseeing Pletcher's string at Keeneland.
- Ashland runner-up **Pass the Champagne** (**Flutter**) will ship back to Florida before returning to Kentucky. "I thought we had it won, but I know Todd has been very high on Malathaat," said trainer George Weaver. "She is doing fine this morning and will ship back [to Palm Beach Downs Monday] morning."
- Wesley Ward won two sprint stakes on Friday's Keeneland card, and two more on Saturday with GI Madison S. heroine **Kimari** (**Munnings**) and GI Shakertown S. scorer **Bound for Nowhere** (**The Factor**). "They are both fine this morning," Ward said, adding that neither will be back for races on Kentucky Derby weekend. "That is too quick."
- **Bell's the One** (Majesticperfection) dead heated for second behind Kimari and will look to defend her GI Derby City Distaff S. title May 1 at Churchill. "She's got a few nicks, but nothing we can't manage," trainer Neil Pessin said of Bell's the One. "I still wouldn't trade horses with anyone."
- The aforementioned Pletcher ran one-two in Aqueduct's GI Wood Memorial S. with longshots **Bourbonic** (**Bernardini**) and **Dynamic One** (**Union Rags**), and both were in fine fettle Sunday according to the Hall of fame finalist's New York-based assistant Byron Hughes: "They both look good. They both ate up last night and are walking around here this morning with a purpose."
- Florida-based trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. has 12 stalls at Belmont this spring, and the barn got its New York endeavor off to a hot start Saturday at Aqueduct with three wins from as many starts, including with **Mischevious Alex** (**Into Mischief**) in the GI Carter H. and **Drain the Clock** (**Maclean's Music**) in the GIII Bay Shore S. "Everyone looks great and ate up all their food," said assistant Sabine Langvad. "I'm super happy with how they came back and they took to traveling really well. Shipping back and forth from Aqueduct didn't seem to bother them at all."
- Klaravich Stables and Chad Brown have a serious GI Kentucky Oaks contender on their hands with unbeaten **Search Results** (**Flutter**), who saw out nine panels with aplomb in the GIII Gazelle S. at the Big A. "She looks great this morning," said Brown's assistant Dan Stupp. "She ran well yesterday and she still has room to move forward. She certainly handled the distance well." The same connections were represented in the Wood by third finisher **Crowded Trade** (**More Than Ready**)

and seventh-place **Risk Taking** (**Medaglia d'Oro**). "He tried and ran well," said Stupp of the former. "Everyone is fine this morning. We'll see what Chad wants to do moving forward with them."

- Trainer John Sadler was still savoring **Rock Your World** (**Candy Ride** {**Arg**})'s breakout victory in the GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby Sunday morning. "We're still enjoying this win," Sadler said when asked about plans for shipping to Kentucky to ahead of the Derby. "This is Easter Sunday, so Monday we'll look at the calendar, but he would have a traditional California pattern where we'll train here and go to Kentucky the week of the race."
- It'll also be on to Louisville for Santa Anita Derby runner-up **Medina Spirit** (Protonico). "He ran a game race like he always does," trainer Bob Baffert said of GIII Robert B. Lewis winner and now three-time graded stakes runner-up. "The winner was very impressive, but our horse showed up, he ran his race, he came out of it well and we've got four weeks to sharpen him up... He'll be right there. He's always going to be tough; he tries hard all the time."

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RUNHAPPY SANTA ANITA DERBY CARD PRODUCES HIGH HANDLE NUMBER

The card for the 84th GI **Runhappy** Santa Anita Derby produced all-sources pari-mutuel handle of \$24,282,400 Saturday. This was the largest Santa Anita Derby day handle since 2007. In addition, fans returned to the Arcadia oval on a restricted basis, with 8,246 on-track for the 12-race program. It was the first time in over a year that fans were allowed back at Santa Anita since the COVID-19 pandemic began last winter.

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1st Dam: Tiz Molly, by Tiz Wonderful

2nd Dam: Deputie's Notebook, by Notebook

3rd Dam: Deputy's Delight, by French Deputy

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-J. Eric Kruljac, Robert Fetki, John Sondereker & Richard Thornburgh; B-Tiz Molly Partners (CA); T-J. Eric Kruljac; J-Mike E. Smith. \$90,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 3-2-0-1, \$150,600.

2--**Good With People**, 124, c, 3, **Curlin to Mischief**--Gator Prowl, by Roar of the Tiger. O-Downstream Racing LLC; B-J. Kirk & Judy Robison (CA); T-Peter Miller. \$30,000.

3--**Letsgetlucky**, 120, c, 3, **Munnings**--My Cinsation, by Cindago. O-Edward J. Brown, Jr., Alan P. Klein & Phillip Lebherz; B-Premier Thoroughbreds LLC (CA); T-Brian J. Koriner. \$18,000. Margins: 1 1/4, 3 1/4, 4 3/4. Odds: 0.60, 7.60, 8.80.

Also Ran: Mister Bold, Sabuda, None Above the Law, Found My Ball, Cargo, Big Flame. Scratched: Alpine Thunder, Top Harbor.



The Chosen Vron & Mike Smith | Benoit Photo

The Chosen Vron romped by 6 3/4 lengths at first asking over track and trip Dec. 27, good for an 86 Beyer Speed Figure, and held his own with much tougher when third behind unbeaten leading GI Kentucky Derby contender Concert Tour (**Street Sense**) in the GII San Vicente S. Feb. 6. Heavily favored back against Cal-breds here, the Triple Crown-nominated chestnut sat

in midpack early, made a quick turn move and tipped wide for the stretch drive en route to a clear-cut victory.

"That is a nice [horse] there," said winning rider Mike Smith. "He's got a good head on his shoulders. He came from off the pace to win. There was a big speed bias today and I think he was the only one to come off the pace. I think this colt can go further and run against open horses. When I asked him, he took dead aim and cruised right past them. This horse has a lot of class. I really like him."

The winner hails from the female family developed by Hobeau Farm and featuring graded winners Delightful Mary and Delightful Kiss. He has a 2-year-old half-sister by Jeranimo and a yearling half-sister by Grazen. Tiz Molly was bred to Clubhouse Ride last season. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

BAYOU CITY S., \$75,000, Sam Houston Race, 4-3, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.88, fm.

1--**ROYAL PRINCE**, 122, c, 3, by **Cairo Prince**

1st Dam: Rose and Shine (MSW, \$399,829), by Mr. Sekiguchi

2nd Dam: Yellowenglishrose, by Colonial Affair

3rd Dam: Princess Baja, by Conquistador Cielo

(\$70,000 Ylg '19 KESEEP). O-Steve Landers Racing LLC; B-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Diego Saenz. \$44,880. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$146,790. *1/2 to British Idiom (Flashback), Ch. 2-year-old Filly, MGISW, \$1,442,139.

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2--**Holy Vow**, 117, c, 3, **Broken Vow**--La Manica, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. O-Scotty Caroom; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Scott E. Young. \$14,960.

3--**Drivehappy**, 118, c, 3, **Runhappy**--Entrustment, by Forestry. O-Holly & David Wilson, Siena Farm LLC, Gary Stevens & Asmussenequine.com; B-Siena Farms LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$8,228.

Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 2. Odds: 0.40, 4.00, 4.20.

Also Ran: Texas Bad Boy, War Falcon, Red N Wild, I'm Money. Scratched: Stans Hookin Bull.

Only off the board once in five prior efforts--when seventh beaten less than three lengths in the GIII Cecil B. DeMille S. at Del Mar last November--Royal Prince was most recently seen scoring by a nose in the Black Gold S. at Fair Grounds Feb. 27. Installed as heavy chalk for this, the year-younger half-brother to champion 2-year-old filly British Idiom traveled keenly from the pocket and was shuffled back some down the backside and into the turn. **Cont. p2**

Bayou City S. cont.

Undeterred, he kicked back into gear at the head of the lane and bounded by Holy Vow late.

The winner's 2-year-old **Jimmy Creed** half-sister sold to Larry Best's OXO Equine for \$500,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Select Yearling Showcase last September. Rose and Shine was bred to **Tapit** for 2021. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Gulfstream, \$47,000, (S), Alw, 4-4, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 7 1/2ft, 1:28.57, fm, 2 3/4 lengths.

MONA STELLA (f, 3, Will Take Charge--Divine Trick, by Divine Park) ran a close second when unveiled in open company over the grass here Aug. 15, and went one better as the even-money pick stepping up to a mile a month later. Benched since, the sophomore was favored at 2-1 in this return and tracked from third against the fence behind splits of :23.40 and :46.77. Full of run on the turn, she was switched off the inside and pounced on the pacesetter, before kicking away to win by 2 3/4 lengths. Yafa (Handsome Mike) made up some ground to take second. The second foal out of Divine Trick, Mona Stella has a yearling half-sister by **Tapwrit** and her dam went back to that stallion last term. Her black-type winning second dam On the Menu (Canadian Frontier) is a half-sister to **MGISW Include Me Out (Include)** and **GISW Check the Label (Stormin Fever)**. Sales history: \$10,000 Ylg '19 **KEESEP**. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$78,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing & Andie & Patrick L. Biancone; B-Bridlewood Farm (FL); T-Patrick L. Biancone.

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8th-Golden Gate Fields, \$33,648, Alw, 4-3, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.11, fm, neck.

KEEPER OF THE STARS (m, 5, Midnight Lute--Sociable, by Run Away and Hide) took the GII Buena Vista S. and GI Gamely S. at Santa Anita last February and May, respectively, but was fifth in June's GIII Wilshire S. and seventh in the GII Yellow Ribbon H. Aug. 8. Looking to kick off her 5-year-old campaign with an easy outing, the 3-5 favorite--one of five greys in a field of six--traded jabs from the outset with Northwest Factor (**The Factor**). She looked beat in the lane, but called on her class to notch a narrow decision. The winner's dam is coincidentally a half to **The Factor**. She has a 2-year-old colt by **Classic Empire** but failed to produce a foal in her subsequent two matings. Sales history:

\$60,000 Wlg '16 **KEENOV**; \$180,000 Ylg '17 **KEESEP**. Lifetime Record: **GISW, 18-8-1-3, \$524,231. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Olin Gentry, Omar Trevino & Anthony Cappola (KY); T-Jonathan Wong.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Santa Anita, \$61,500, Msw, 4-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2ft, 1:15.72, fm, 3 1/2 lengths.

HONEY JAR (f, 3, Kantharos--Sweet Spell, by Candy Ride {Arg}), second at first asking over a half-furlong shorter after making the early running Feb. 20, was a 4-5 preposition to go one better Sunday. Sent immediately to the front, she battled with a rival to her inside crossing the dirt and pressed from second for the backstretch run. Asked for her bid after a half in :45.53, the chalk collared that foe and strode home to win by 3 1/2 lengths. Kalon (**Bernardini**) closed up the rail to finish second. Her winning dam is out of SW Bright Magic (Prized), and is a half-sister to GIII Bashford Manor S. victor Exfactor (Exchange Rate) and SW Market Magic (After Market). Sweet Spell has a juvenile filly by Animal Kingdom, a yearling colt by **Sharp Azteca** and produced a colt by **Nyquist** Mar. 12. Recent juvenile champion **Good Magic (Curlin)** is also part of the family. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$48,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O/B-Bo Hirsch, LLC (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy.

6th-Golden Gate Fields, \$33,780, Msw, 4-4, 3yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.52, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

JIMMY IRISH (g, 3, Jimmy Creed--Simple Symphony, by Consolidator) prepped for this with a 1:01 flat bullet from the gate Mar. 25, and was 7-2 to score at first asking. The bay pressed the pace from the outside and kicked clear decisively in the lane, reporting home 3 1/4 lengths to the good of Lessons of Autism (Phantom Wildcat). The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister by **Klimt** and a yearling half-brother by **Gormley**. His dam visited the latter for 20201. Sales history: \$12,000 Wlg '18 **KEENOV**; \$60,000 Ylg '19 **KEESEP**. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-McShane Racing, LLC; B-Mullikin Thoroughbreds & Craig Minten (KY); T-Jonathan Wong.

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4th-Hawthorne, \$24,640, Msw, 4-4, 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.83, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

CHINOBE (c, 4, Into Mischief--Dirty Rush {SP}, by Wild Rush), third over the Arlington all-weather when debuting in September, set the pace and was overtaken late locally going six panels in October. He bolted and lost his rider given another shot over the Hawthorne dirt Nov. 2 and was shelved until this turf bow. Bet down to 1-2 favoritism, the 4-year-old colt shot straight to the head of affairs while under pressure to his outside and did not initially corner well, throwing his head up. He was eventually straightened out by Jareth Loveberry and put the race to bed, drawing off by 3 1/4 lengths, despite switching his leads irregularly in the lane. Wave'ndumoni (Mt Waverly) was second. The winner is a half to Rush Now (Tiznow), MSW & GSP, \$612,039, and a yearling filly by Bolt d'Oro. His dam is a half-sister to MSWs Britt's Jules (Jules), also MGSP and Probation Ready (**More Than Ready**), as well as GI King's Bishop S. runner-up Social Probation (Jules). Sales history: \$55,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$95,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$21,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Carolyn Wilson; B-Taylor Brothers Properties LLC, Pollock Farms & Louis Brooks Ranch (KY); T-Larry Rivelli.

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STAKES RESULTS:

BUCHAREST S., \$75,000, Sam Houston Race, 4-3, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:24.28, ft.
 1--**SKY RIDE, 120, g, 4, Candy Ride (Arg)--All About Anna (SW), by Maria's Mon.** O-Triple V Racing, LLC.; B-Robert Dewitt & Stan Burnstein (KY); T-J. R. Caldwell; J-Leandro D. Goncalves. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 16-5-2-0, \$161,194.
 2--**Good Scout, 120, g, 4, Oxbow--Euphorium, by Tapit.** O-Farmers Fillies Racing; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-J. R. Caldwell. \$15,000.
 3--**Gold Street, 123, c, 4, Street Boss--Morakami, by Fusaichi Pegasus.** (\$55,000 Ylg '18 OBSWIN; \$150,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Mike McCarty; B-Erich Brehm (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$8,250.
 Margins: 8, 4HF, NK. Odds: 0.20, 4.00, 5.70.

MISS HOUSTON TURF S., \$75,000, Sam Houston Race, 4-3, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.09, fm.

1--**RAVEN'S CRY (IRE), 123, f, 4, Raven's Pass--Sagami (SP-Fr), by Street Cry (Ire).** (€58,000 Ylg '18 GOFOR). **1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O-Martin S. Schwartz; B-Tullpark Limited (IRE); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Diego Saenz. \$44,580. Lifetime Record: SP-Ire, 9-4-1-1, \$116,748.
 2--**Valentines Day, 120, f, 4, Summer Front--Castanea, by Horse Chestnut (SAF).** (\$20,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Love Partnership Interests LP; B-Indian Creek (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun. \$14,860.

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3--**Brandons Babe, 120, f, 4, Fed Biz--Camille Garey, by Street Cry (Ire).** (\$4,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP). O-Bruce G. Tackett & Desra Schlansky; B-Lantern Hill Farm LLC (KY); T-Karen E. Jacks. \$8,173.

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 Margins: HF, HF, 1HF. Odds: 1.50, 14.70, 17.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

11th-Santa Anita, \$87,084, 4-3, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.51, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.
QUIET SECRETARY (f, 4, Hard Spun--Game Fair {GSP, \$174,209}, by Quiet American) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-0, \$95,502.
 O-Clarke M. Cooper Family Trust, Rockie Lynne Cooper, Ian S. Kruljac, Frank & Karen Lewkowitz & Henry Nunez; B-J. V. Shields (KY); T-Ian Kruljac. *\$180,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

5th-Santa Anita, \$63,500, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-4, 3yo, f, 6 1/2fT, 1:16.18, fm, 1/2 length.
RESPECTFULLY (f, 3, Smiling Tiger--Yerevan Sky, by Menifee) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$70,280. O-Randy E. Marriott; B-Bud Petrosian (CA); T-Ryan Hanson. *\$19,000 RNA 2yo '20 CTBAJA.

9th-Sam Houston Race, \$50,000, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-3, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.01, ft, 2 lengths.
DANCING CHICKEN (g, 3, Mr. Nightlinger--This Crazy Life, by Lydgate) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$52,560. O/B-Carl Moore Management LLC (OK); T-Karen E. Jacks.

3rd-Sam Houston Race, \$42,500, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 4-3, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36.89, fm, 3/4 length.
MOOJAB JR (g, 7, Moojab--Ticket, by Cryptoclearance) Lifetime Record: SW, 36-9-5-7, \$239,051. O-John L. Pierce, II; B-Jose Luis Espinoza (TX); T-Paul Duhon.

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10th-Gulfstream, \$40,700, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 4-4, 4yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:27.55, fm, 4 3/4 lengths.

KATAMA MOONLIGHT (m, 5, **Malibu Moon--Mambo Bell, by Kingmambo**) Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, \$100,045. O-Magic Cap Stables; B-Dixiana Farms LLC (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.

*\$400,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Mambo Fever (Stormin Fever), MGSF, \$124,010; Full to Noble Moon, GSW, \$401,070.



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2nd-Golden Gate Fields, \$38,936, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-4, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.51, ft, 4 lengths.

GAYLES EVENING (f, 3, **Indian Evening--Anger, by Hard Spun**) Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$74,538. O-Doug Gans, Gary Jacobs, Larry M. Katz, Kevin Riggs, Gary Schroth & Jamey R. Thomas; B-Kevin Nish (CA); T-Jamey R. Thomas.

9th-Golden Gate Fields, \$35,588, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-3, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:37.81, ft, 2 lengths.

HARMON (g, 5, **Cairo Prince--Summer Shade, by Stephen Got Even**) Lifetime Record: 21-6-2-4, \$142,436. O-Donna L. Perrone; B-Coteau Grove Farms (KY); T-Monty R. Meier. *\$42,000 RNA Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$100,000 Ylg '17 FTKJUL; \$500,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR.



3rd-Golden Gate Fields, \$32,860, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-4, 3yo, 1mT, 1:38.73, fm, 3/4 length.

SENSEMAKER (g, 3, **Street Sense--Empress Maker, by Empire Maker**) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$64,820. O-Tim M. Bankers; B-Bonne Chance Farm LLC (KY); T-Manuel Ortiz, Sr. *\$125,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Point Break, f, 3, **Bodemeister--Mriya**, by Elusive Quality. Golden Gate Fields, 4-3, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.97. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$18,637. B-RMJ Stables, LLC (KY). *\$50,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

Breaking the Bank, c, 3, **Gemologist--Bank Audit** (MGSW, \$567,934), by Wild Rush. Sam Houston Race, 4-3, 6 1/2f, 1:18.58. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$32,810. B-Tony Holmes (KY). *\$10,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL.

Paytience Pays, f, 3, **Paynter--Uzume**, by Unbridled's Song. Hawthorne, 4-4, 6f, 1:11.61. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$16,060. B-Richard Forbush & Paynter Syndicate (KY). *\$25,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL; \$130,000 2yo '20 EASMAY. **1/2 to Water White (Conveyance), SW & GISP, \$316,475.



Racetrackers, g, 4, **Tizbud--Kvetch**, by Discreet Cat. Santa Anita, 4-4, (S), 6fT, 1:10.44. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$49,820. B-Double Down Stables Inc. (CA).



Bodemeister, Point Break, f, 3, o/o Mriya, by Elusive Quality. MSW, 4-3, Golden Gate

Cairo Prince, Harmon, g, 5, o/o Summer Shade, by Stephen Got Even. AOC, 4-3, Golden Gate

Cairo Prince, Royal Prince, c, 3, o/o Rose and Shine, by Mr. Sekiguchi. Bayou City S., 4-3, Sam Houston

Candy Ride (Arg), Sky Ride, g, 4, o/o All About Anna, by Maria's Mon. Bucharest S., 4-3, Sam Houston

Gemologist, Breaking the Bank, c, 3, o/o Bank Audit, by Wild Rush. MSW, 4-3, Sam Houston

Hard Spun, Quiet Secretary, f, 4, o/o Game Fair, by Quiet American. ALW, 4-3, Santa Anita

Indian Evening, Gayles Evening, f, 3, o/o Anger, by **Hard Spun**. AOC, 4-4, Golden Gate

Into Mischief, Chinobe, c, 4, o/o Dirty Rush, by Wild Rush. MSW, 4-4, Hawthorne

Into Mischief, Gamine, f, 4, o/o Peggy Jane, by Kafwain. GIII Las Flores S., 4-4, Santa Anita

Jimmy Creed, Jimmy Irish, g, 3, o/o Simple Symphony, by Consolidator. MSW, 4-4, Golden Gate

Kantharos, Honey Jar, f, 3, o/o Sweet Spell, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. MSW, 4-4, Santa Anita

Malibu Moon, Katama Moonlight, m, 5, o/o Mambo Bell, by Kingmambo. AOC, 4-4, Gulfstream

Midnight Lute, Keeper Ofthe Stars, m, 5, o/o Sociable, by Run Away and Hide. ALW, 4-3, Golden Gate

Moojab, Moojab Jr, g, 7, o/o Ticket, by Cryptoclearance. AOC, 4-3, Sam Houston

Mr. Nightlinger, Dancing Chicken, g, 3, o/o This Crazy Life, by Lydgate. AOC, 4-3, Sam Houston

Paynter, Paytience Pays, f, 3, o/o Uzume, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 4-4, Hawthorne

Raven's Pass, Raven's Cry (Ire), f, 4, o/o Sagami, by Street Cry (Ire). Miss Houston Turf S., 4-3, Sam Houston

Smiling Tiger, Respectfully, f, 3, o/o Yerevan Sky, by Menifee. AOC, 4-4, Santa Anita

Street Sense, Sensemaker, g, 3, o/o Empress Maker, by Empire Maker. AOC, 4-4, Golden Gate

Tizbud, Racetrackers, g, 4, o/o Kvetch, by Discreet Cat. MSW, 4-4, Santa Anita

Vronsky, The Chosen Vron, g, 3, o/o Tiz Molly, by Tiz Wonderful. Echo Eddie S., 4-3, Santa Anita

Will Take Charge, Mona Stella, f, 3, o/o Divine Trick, by Divine Park. ALW, 4-4, Gulfstream



TDN Q&A WITH JOHN MESSARA



John and Kris Messara | Bronwen Healy

While 2021 marks the end of an era for Australia's Arrowfield Stud, with the last yearlings by its breed-shaping sire Redoute's Choice (Aus) going through the ring, it has likewise signaled the start of another, with young shuttler Shalaa (Ire) getting off to a bright start with his first Southern Hemisphere-bred crop headed by the Magic Millions 2YO Classic winner Shaquero (Aus). Arrowfield will offer yearlings by both at the upcoming Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale on Apr. 6 and 7, and we caught up with Arrowfield's John Messara to discuss Shalaa, the consignment and some broader industry trends.

TDN: Shalaa has got off to an excellent start in his first season with runners. Can you tell us why you think his progeny are suited to Australia?

JM: Yes, Shalaa has got off to a good start here. He was a champion 2-year-old racehorse in Europe, he's good-looking and from a sireline that was beginning to work in Australia. I must say, his progeny all seem endowed with his quality and athletic demeanour. From the start, trainer feedback has been good.

TDN: After Shalaa's first year, what kind of support did he receive in his subsequent three books, and what types of mares do you think are best suited to him? How have his yearlings been received this year off the back of his early results? [Cont. p2](#)

DEEP IMPACT FILLY UPSETS OSAKA HAI

Lei Papale (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), undefeated in five previous appearances, relished the soft going in the 2000-metre G1 Osaka Hai at Hanshin on Sunday, defeating several well-hyped Group 1 winners including 2020 Japanese Triple Crown winner **Contrail (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}). The Carrot Farm colourbearer is just the third horse in JRA history to claim a Group 1 title for older horses unbeaten after Fine Motion (Ire) (Danehill) in 2002 and Chrysoberyl (Jpn) (Gold Allure {Jpn}) in 2019.

Sent off as the fourth choice at 11-1, the bay was a touch slowly away, but soon skipped up to the head of the field and shouldered pacesetting duties. Allowed to bowl along as the rain continued, the 4-year-old filly covered an opening quarter in :23.50 and her half-mile split of :47.70 saw her still on an uncontested lead. [Cont. p7](#)

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ROCK YOUR WORLD EMERGES AS KY DERBY THREAT

Rock Your World (Candy Ride {Arg}) has emerged as a serious G1 Kentucky Derby threat after his win in the G1 Runhappy Santa Anita Derby according to Bill Finley in the latest The Week in Review. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.](#)

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With **John Messara Cont.** from p1

JM: We have been serving approximately 150 mares each year with him and demand at the sales for his progeny has remained strong. It is a bit early to say what kind of mares will work for him, however, he seems to tidy up the progeny of most mares.

TDN: Arrowfield has 49 to sell at Easter—tell us a bit about the draft as a whole.

JM: We have what I believe is a well-balanced, high-standard draft of yearlings for Easter, including a number of yearlings by Japanese stallions and a group of exquisite yearlings by our champion sire, Snitzel. The response from those who have inspected the draft on the farm over the last 10 days has been positive, and there is a strong recognition of our record as a source of top performers and prospective stallions.



Shalaa | Zuzanna Lupa

TDN: When most other sales markets have been happy to consolidate during the global pandemic, the Australian yearling market has been vibrant this year, setting records at the major sales thus far. Why do you think Australians have been so keen to invest in Thoroughbreds?

JM: Australia has seen a buoyant market in most asset classes during the COVID-19 crisis: real estate, the stock market, boats, Thoroughbreds etc. I think it's a combination of factors which has caused this. The massive injection of funds into the economy by the Australian Government and our very low interest rates have been contributors. Our natural isolation and effective response to the virus compared to most other countries has made us a bit of a haven. **Cont. p3**



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Darley Australia has announced fees for its trio of first-time shuttle stallions. [Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.](#)

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JM: Then there has been the psychological effect of all the scientific and government warnings about the drastic potential of COVID, which led to people believing they were staring death in the face on a major scale when in fact we have been able to control the disease very well. I think this has caused people to reassess their lives and begin to “live for the moment,” unleashing significant discretionary expenditure on horses, boats, cars--if that was their hobby--or on upgrading their homes, etc.

TDN: Australia’s prizemoney has also done well during the pandemic; minimum prizemoney levels were quickly restored and Racing NSW recently announced a \$20-million prizemoney injection. Why has Australian prizemoney been able to flourish and grow during this time?

JM: There are two reasons: racing was about the only sport or entertainment that continued relatively unabated during the pandemic and so it enjoyed a big rise in wagering turnover; that has underpinned the sport’s revenue base. In NSW, [we underwent] negotiations with the state government six or seven years ago that led us to be placed on the same footing as the Victorian racing industry as far as state wagering taxes were concerned. This tax alleviation was conceded to Racing NSW and was to be introduced on a five-year graduated basis. I believe we are now enjoying the full benefit of this.

The racing industry in Australia is most fortunate to be supported by the best fundamentals for racehorse owners in all the open racing economies. Australian racing is working its way back into being a mainstream sport here again.

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TDN: This year's yearling sales mark the end of an era with the last crop of Redoute's Choice going through the ring. Can you describe how important he has been to Arrowfield and to the Australian industry?

JM: Redoute's Choice's multiple champion sire titles certainly underpinned the Arrowfield operations over a number of years and the massive revenue generated by his progeny by way of yearling sales and prizemoney benefitted the industry as a whole.

TDN: Likewise, Danehill and his descendants, with Redoute's Choice at the forefront, have shaped the modern Australian breed.

JM: Yes, it's true that Danehill and his most influential son have shaped the breed in Australia. Danehill, Redoute's Choice and their sons have, in fact, won 20 of the last 25 Australian champion sire titles--quite an achievement. There was more evidence of their dominance just last weekend when each of the 15 starters in the G1 Golden Slipper had at least one line of Danehill blood in their pedigree.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Monday, Apr. 5, 2021:

FRANCE

Aclaim (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), The National Stud
115 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-MAR.BORELY, 950m, Uncle Bo (Fr)
€28,000 Arqana Deauville September Yearling Sale 2020

Recorder (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Haras de Montfort & Preaux
108 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-MAR.BORELY, 950m, Secret Feeling (Fr)

UNITED KINGDOM

Aclaim (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), The National Stud
115 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
13:45-KEMPTON PARK, 5f, Noble Albert (GB)
13:45-KEMPTON PARK, 5f, Wild Mountain (Ire)
32,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; 70,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2020

Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB}), Kildangan Stud
118 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
13:45-KEMPTON PARK, 5f, Mirique (GB)
42,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; 35,000gns
RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2020



Ribchester has a runner at Kempton on Monday | Darley

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on the European racing scene

FULL-BROTHER TO FINCHE STARTS AT CHANTILLY

3.45 Chantilly, Mdn, €27,000, 3yo, c/g, 10ft

BARATTI (GB) (Frankel {GB}) is a significant Juddmonte-Andre Fabre newcomer on the card, being a full-brother to Finche (GB) who captured the 2017 G2 Prix Eugene Adam for these connections and who was a close third in the G1 Turnbull S. in October. Also a half-brother to the high-class group and grade I winners Byword (GB) (Peintre Celebre) and Proviso (GB) (Dansili {GB}), he is the sole debutante of the 10-strong field.

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BRITAIN

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

General Panic (GB), c, 2, **Outstrip (GB)**--Dominance (GB), by Lilbourne Lad (Ire). Southwell, 4-4, 4f 214y (AWT), 1:00.34. B-Brook Stud Bloodstock Ltd (GB).

FRANCE

Sunday's Results:

5th-Le Lion d'Angers, €19,000, Mdn, 4-4, 3yo, 10fT, 2:13.70, g/s.

JOYFUL MOMENT (IRE) (f, 3, Shamardal--Surprise Moment {Ire}, by Authorized {Ire}), a Mar. 12 debut fifth tackling 11 furlongs at Fontainebleau last time, broke well from the inside stall and was on the front end before accepting a tow in third at halfway here. Bustled along turning for home, the 23-5 second choice gained a narrow advantage passing the eighth pole and was ridden out to prevail by 3/4-of-a-length from Hello Royal (Fr) (Dragon Pulse {Ire}). She is the fourth foal and scorer produced by a multiple-winning daughter of Listed Radley S. victrix Criquette (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}), herself a half-sister to G1SW sire Markofdistinction (GB) (Known Fact). The March-foaled homebred is kin to a yearling colt by Dubawi (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €10,850. **Video, sponsored by TVG.** O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

2nd-Le Lion d'Angers, €18,000, Mdn, 4-4, unraced 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.73, g/s.

MISS CLEOPATRA (FR) (f, 2, Toronado {Ire}--Labyrinth {Ire}, by Lawman {Fr}) recovered from a slightly sluggish start to track the leaders in fifth after the initial exchanges of this debut. Inching into contention off the home turn, the 24-5 second choice hit the front approaching the final furlong and was pushed out to assert by 2 1/2 lengths from Joli Coup (Fr) (Pedro the Great). She is the lone foal produced by a winning a winning granddaughter of G1 Prix de Diane heroine Caerlina (Ire) (Caerleon). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €9,000. **Video, sponsored by TVG.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Ecurie d'Englesqueville, Stephen Lahmi & J N Temam; B-Haras du Grand Lys & Guido Berardelli (FR); T-Philippe Sogorb.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Le Lion d'Angers, €22,000, Cond, 4-4, 3yo, 12fT, 2:28.22, g/s.

MERVEILLO (GB) (c, 3, Archipenko--Merville {Fr}, by Montjeu {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, €27,470. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (GB); T-Christophe Ferland.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Wadhnan (Fr), g, 3, Shalaa (Ire)--Al Wathna (GB) (GSW-Fr, \$145,094), by Nayef. Tarbes, 4-4, 10 1/2fT, 2:17.50. B-Al Shaqab Racing (FR).

GERMANY

Sunday's Results:

PREIS DES GESTUTS ROTTGEN-Listed, €15,000,

Berlin-Hoppegarten, 4-4, 4yo/up, f/m, 8fT, 1:38.80, gd.

1--**AXANA (GER), 125, Soldier Hollow (GB)--Achinora (GB), by Sleeping Indian (GB).** (€15,000 RNA Ylg '17 BBAGS; €300,000 HRA '20 ARDEC). O-Cayton Park Stud Ltd & Team Valor; B-S Penner (GER); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Eduardo Pedroza. €8,000. Lifetime Record: Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 7-9 1/2f, MGSW-Ger, 10-5-2-0, €124,750.

2--**No Limit Credit (Ger), 128, f, 4, Night of Thunder (Ire)--Nasrine (Ire), by Barathea (Ire).** (€32,000 RNA Ylg '18 BBAGS; €480,000 HRA '20 ARDEC). O-J Sartori; B-Gestut Karlsruhof (GER); T-Andreas Suborics. €3,000.

3--**Paloma Ohe (GB), 125, f, 4, Rio de la Plata--Pom Pom Pom (GB), by Big Shuffle.** (€8,000 Ylg '18 BBOCT). O-H D Jarling; B-Ellis Stud Partnership & Bellow Hill Stud (GB); T-Jan Korpas. €2,000.

Margins: 3HF, 1HF, 4. Odds: 3.60, 2.60, 19.40.

Also Ran: Recover Me (Fr), Sharoka (Ire), Pasqualita (GB), Kiss the Wind (Ire), Candy Crush (Ger), Amabilis (Ger), Leopoldina (GB), Nica (Ger).

ALTANO-RENNEN-Listed, €15,000, Berlin-Hoppegarten, 4-4, 4yo/up, 14fT, 3:01.03, gd.

1--**PRAETORIUS (GER), 115, c, 4, Novellist (Ire)--Ponte Tresa (Fr) (GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$460,983), by Sicyos. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O/B-Dr Christoph Berglar (GER); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Jozef Bojko. €8,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, €12,500.

2--**Enjoy the Moon (Ire), 118, h, 5, Sea the Moon (Ger)--Enjoy the Life (GB), by Medicean (GB).** (€100,000 Ylg '17 BBAGS). O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen & Sebastian Weiss (GER); T-Markus Klug. €3,000.

3--**Ida Alata (Ger), 112, m, 5, Adlerflug (Ger)--Itzka (Ger), by Kalatos (Ger).** (€36,000 Ylg '17 BBOCT). O-Dr G Seitz; B-Gestut Hof Iserneichen (GER); T-Henk Grewe. €2,000.

Margins: HF, 5, 16. Odds: 4.10, 2.20, 0.80.

Also Ran: Ancona (Ire), The Tiger (Ger), Anton von Marlow (Ger).

6th-Berlin-Hoppegarten, €4,500, Mdn, 4-4, 3yo, f, 9fT, 1:56.04, gd.

NOBLE VITA (FR) (f, 3, Kendargent {Fr}--Nouvelle Noblesse {Ger} {GSW-Ity & SP-Ger, \$151,132}, by Singspiel {Ire}), sent off the 19-10 joint-favourite, was able to coast along on the lead unchallenged. Always in her comfort zone, the chestnut was not fully extended to score by four lengths from Coco Contes (GB) (Equiano {Fr}). **Cont. p6**

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6th-Berlin-Hoppegarten Cont.

There is a strong chance the winner will be up to black-type, not only given the manner of this display but also the fact that the dam captured the G3 Premio Dormello and has produced five others of that ilk. They are her first three foals Noble Alpha (Ire) (Shamardal), who was third in the G2 Mehl Mulhens-Rennen-German 2000 Guineas, MGSP-Ger & SW-HK, \$964,444, Noble Champion (Ger) (Hawk Wing), GSP-Ger, \$195,165, and Noble Fantasy (Ger) (Big Shuffle), SP-Ity. Later, she produced the G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten winner Noble Moon (Ger) (Sea the Moon {Ger}), Hwt. 2yo Colt & GSW-Ger, \$115,252, and Schwesterherz (Fr) (Areion {Ger}), SW & MGSP-Ger, \$123,151. From the family of the G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third Nouvelle Fortune (Ire) (Alzao), her 2-year-old colt Neruas (GB) (Reliable Man {GB}) is followed by a yearling full-brother to Noble Moon named Noble Luno (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €2,600. O/B-E Sauren (FR); T-Henk Grewe.

2nd-Hoppegarten, €4,500, Mdn, 4-4, unraced 3yo, 9ft, 1:53.67, gd. LORD CHARMING (GER) (c, 3, Charm Spirit {Ire})--Late Show {GB}, by Authorized {Ire}} broke well from the outside gate and raced in a close-up second for most of this debut. Nudged along on the home turn, the 8-5 pick came under increased urging in the straight and drew clear once gaining a slender advantage at the furlong marker to deny long-time leader A Winning Warrior (Ger) (Tai Chi {Ger}) by 3 1/2 lengths. He is the first foal out of Late Show (GB) (Authorized {Ire}), who is a half-sister to two black-type winners and to the dam of GSW G1 Goodwood H. third Supido (Aus) (Sebring {Aus}). His third dam is G1SP matriarch Coup de Folie (Halo). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €2,600.

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Rennstall Gestut Hachtsee; B-Gestut Hachtsee (GER); T-Peter Schiergen

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Karlgeorg (Ger), c, 3, Guiliani (Ire)--Kaprella (Ger), by Lomitas (GB). Hoppegarten, 4-4, 10ft, 2:06.80. B-Dr Werner Spangler (GER). *€4,500 Ylg '19 BBAGS. **1/2 to Karltheodor (Ger) (Desert Prince {Ire}), SP-Fr.

ITALY**Sunday's Results:**

PREMIO GARDONE-Listed, €38,500, Milan, 4-4, 3yo, 1600mT, 1:39.00.

1--**BJORN (IRE), 121, c, 3, Acclamation (GB)**

1st Dam: **Apace (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB)**

2nd Dam: Much Faster (Ire), by Fasliyev

3rd Dam: Interruption (GB), by Zafonic

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€18,000 Ylg '19 TATSEP). O-Scuderia Milano SNC. B-Irish National Stud (Ire). T-A. Botti. J-Fabio Branca. €14,875. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, €33,955.

2--**Mordimi (Ire), 121, c, 3, Morpheus (GB)**--Miss Frangipane (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). (€1,500 Ylg '19 TATSEP). O-Stefano Botti. B-GHS Bloodstock Ltd & Mrs Ann Foley (Ire). T-A. Botti. €6,545.

3--**Carrobbio (Fr), 121, c, 3, Arcano (Ire)**--Cassina de Pomm (Ity), by Pounced. O-Al Dei Lagoni SRL. B-Societa Allevamento Di Besnate SRL & Scuderia Dioscuri (Fr). T-A. Botti. €3,570.

Margins: SNK, NK, 1. Odds: 5.32, 0.28, 10.03.

Also Ran: Vis a Vis (Ity), Fayathaan (Ire), Maltasar (Ity), Wealth of Love (Ire). **Click for the [Chart or Video](#).**

PREMIO SEREGNO-Listed, €38,500, Milan, 4-4, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:36.80.

1--**ARIA IMPORTANTE (GB), 127, f, 3, Twilight Son (GB)**

1st Dam: **Aria Di Festa (Ire) (GSP-Fr, SW & GSP-Ity, \$151,010), by Orpen**

2nd Dam: **Alarme Belle (GB), by Warning (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Dazzlingly Radiant (GB), by Try My Best**

O-Scuderia Blueberry SRL. B-Razza del Sole Societa Agricola SRL (GB). T-A. Botti. J-Claudio Colombi. €14,875. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, 6-5-1-0, €46,075.

2--**Ursuly (Ire), 121, f, 3, Olympic Glory (Ire)**--Shahah (GB), by Motivator (GB). (€60,000 Ylg '19 ARQAUG). O-Jean-Claude Seroul. B-Sunderland Holding Inc. (Ire). T-J Reynier. €6,545.

3--**Havana Love (Ire), 124, f, 3, Kodiak (GB)**--Galmalea (Ire), by **Galileo (Ire)**. (€16,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV). O-Stefano Botti. B-Scuderia Siba SRL (Ire). T-A. Botti. €3,570.

Margins: 1 2 1/4, HF. Odds: 1.91, 5.51, 2.51.

Also Ran: Cima Star (Ire), Ginger Beer (Ire), Happiness Therapy (Ire), Sparkle Shout (Ire).

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**IN UAE:**

Zaman (GB), g, 6, Dutch Art (GB)--Wake Up Call (GB) (SP-Eng), by Noverre. Abu Dhabi, 4-4, Hcp. (AED100k), 1600mT, 1:37.34, gd. O-Abdullah Menahi. B-Laundry Cottage Stud Farm (GB). T-Ahmad bin Harmash. *SW-UAE. **GSP-Eng. ***MSP-Fr. ****77,000gns Wlg '15 TATNOV; 75,000gns RNA Ylg '16 TATOCT; 160,000gns 2yo '17 TATAPR.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

G1 Osaka Hai Cont.

She traveled 1200 metres in 1:12.60 and was still moving smoothly after a mile in 1:36.90. Steered off the fence for the stretch drive, Lei Papale displayed another gear and quickly scampered away from her rivals, none of whom appeared more than workmanlike on the soft ground with the exception of the rallying **Mozu Bello (Jpn)** (Deep Brillante {Jpn}), who flashed home for second.

The 4-5 favourite, Contrail settled in midpack while tracking 9-5 second choice and 2020 Japanese Champion Sprinter/Miler **Gran Alegria (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) for much of the contest. He began to improve on the backstretch and drew close to Gran Alegria with less than a half-mile remaining, as that pair moved in tandem and appeared poised to pounce on the winner. However their bids flattened out a bit late on, with Contrail three-parts of a length behind Mozu Bella and a neck to the good of Gran Alegria.



Lei Papale streaks home in the rain | JRA

“I had always believed in her outstanding talent since her debut but of course it was a tough ask this time against a top class [field] after registering out first group-race victory [in December],” said pilot Yuga Kawada, who was winning his 17th JRA Group 1. “She felt good during the post parade and she was able to jump into her rhythm throughout the race without being pressed. I was able to shift her out without interfering the horses coming from behind for her stretch run as there was still plenty room between her and the rest of the field at the top of the stretch. And to still have the strength to find another gear over the turf condition today—she is an exceptional filly to keep her speed right to the end. Now that she’s a Group 1 winner,

expectations will suddenly be quite high from now on, but I hope to be able bring out her best in each race.”

Lei Papale did not make her racecourse debut until January of her 3-year-old season, but she handled a one-mile newcomer race at Kyoto, before returning on June 6 and taking a Hanshin affaire over the same distance. Upped to 1800 metres at Niigata in July, the bay continued to find the winner’s circle, and back at Kyoto, the good-ground Ohara S. went her way on Oct. 18. Tried for the first time at the group level and going 2000 metres, the filly duly saluted in the Dec. 5 G3 Challenge Cup at Hanshin, her final start as a sophomore. The Osaka Hai was the first time she was tested over a soft turf course.

Pedigree Notes

The late Deep Impact’s stakes winners stand at 172, with 138 group winners and Lei Papale’s Osaka Hai victory brings his total of Group 1 winners to 48. Lei Papale is the third Group 1 winner for her broodmare sire Kurofune (Jpn) and first by Deep Impact. Although, the Deep Impact/Kurofune cross has already resulted in the winner’s full-sister MGSW Shining Lei (Jpn), Japanese Group 3 hero Staphanos (Jpn), who placed five times at the highest level and two other group winners.

Shells Lei ran second in a pair of listed stakes at three and retired as a three-time winner. Bred exclusively with Deep Impact for her first four foals, the quartet of winners yielded G2 Hopeful S. and G3 CBC Sho winner Shining Lei as the best of them until Lei Papale, foal number eight and part of an octet of winners from nine to run. She has had fillies by Duramente (Jpn) and Daiwa Major (Jpn) in 2019 and 2020, and was covered by Real Impact (Jpn) last spring.

Second dam Oyster Ticket (Jpn) (Winning Ticket {Jpn}) also threw the GSP Encore Plus (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), the MSP Black Shell (Jpn) (Kurofune {Jpn}) and the SP Double Timpani (Jpn) (Sunday Silence). Farther back in the pedigree is 1968 Japanese Champion 2-Year-Old Riki Eikan (Jpn), a colt by Never Beat (GB).

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Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

OSAKA HAI-G1, ¥260,520,000, Hanshin, 4-4, 4yo/up, 2000mT, 2:01.60, sf.

1--**LEI PAPALE (JPN)**, 121, f, 4, Deep Impact (Jpn)

1st Dam: **Shells Lei (Jpn)** (MSP-Jpn, \$823,464), by Kurofune

2nd Dam: **Oyster Ticket (Jpn)**, by Winning Ticket (Jpn)

3rd Dam: **Namura Pieris (Jpn)**, by Tosho Boy (Jpn)

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Tomokazu Takano; J-Yuga Kawada. ¥137,814,000. Lifetime Record: 6-6-0-0. *Full to Shining Lei (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), MGSW-Jpn, \$1,168,154. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.** *Triple Plus*. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Mozu Bello (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Deep Brillante (Jpn)--Harlan's Ruby, by Harlan's Holiday. O-Capital System; B-Murata Farm (Jpn); ¥54,804,000.

3--**Contrail (Jpn)**, 126, c, 4, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Rhodochrosite, by Unbridled's Song. O-Shinji Maeda; B-North Hills (Jpn); ¥34,402,000.

Margins: 4, 3/4, NK. Odds: 11.20, 67.80, 0.80.

Also Ran: Gran Alegria (Jpn), Salios (Jpn), Cadenas (Jpn), Ardentlt (Jpn), Bravas (Jpn), Admire Virgo (Jpn), Persian Knight (Jpn), Crescendo Love (Jpn), Makahiki (Jpn), Happy Grin (Jpn).

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FEES ANNOUNCED FOR DARLEY SHUTTLERS



Pinatubo | Scoop Dyga

by Richard Edmunds

Darley Australia has announced the introductory service fees for three superstar new shuttle stallions for 2021, lifting the number of champion racehorses added to the Darley roster to seven in the past two seasons.

Pinatubo (Ire), **Earthlight (Ire)** and **Ghaiyyath (Ire)**, along with star local sprinter **Bivouac**, are following in the world-class footsteps of last season's new additions **Microphone**, **Too Darn Hot (GB)** and **Blue Point (Ire)**.

New Kelvinside resident Pinatubo will stand for \$44,000 (inc GST), while new Northwood Park duo Ghaiyyath and Earthlight will stand for \$27,500 (inc GST) and \$22,000 (inc GST), respectively.

"It's incredible that we've been able to add seven champions to our roster in just the last two seasons--that's not something that's easy to do," Godolphin Australia's Managing Director, Vin Cox, said. "Not only are they all champions in their own right, but they're all also the sons of champion stallions. They're the real deal, they're multiple Group 1 performers, and we're very excited to be offering this opportunity to Australian breeders."

Darley has become renowned for its outstanding success with shuttle stallions, making an enormous impact on the Australian industry with the likes of **Street Cry (Ire)**, **Teofilo (Ire)**, **Medaglia d'Oro (USA)**, **Dubawi (Ire)** and more recently **Street Boss (USA)** and **Frosted (USA)**.

"We've been shuttling stallions for a number of years now, and

we believe we've got the formula right," Cox said. "We evaluate each horse on its merit and assess how it fits in with the Australian gene pool, and how well it will be suited to Australian breeding and racing conditions.

"We're very proud of the success that we've achieved with our shuttle stallions over the years, and now we're looking forward to more of the same with these new additions."

The highest-profile of those is Pinatubo, a brilliant racehorse and exceptional stallion prospect. He scored six unchallenged victories at two to be crowned Europe's Champion 2-year-old.

He won twice at Group 1 level, capturing the Dewhurst S.--comparable to Australia's Golden Slipper, as both are the most sought-after juvenile feature in their respective jurisdictions--as well as the National S. at The Curragh. The Dewhurst was also won by barn mate Too Darn Hot, plus the Champion **Frankel (GB)** and the late Shamardal (USA), while the latter was won by Dubawi.

Pinatubo's performances allowed the son of Shamardal to claim the Horse of the Year title as a 2-year-old, thanks to a season in which he earned a Timeform rating of 134. That's higher than **Frankel** at the same age, becoming the highest-rated European juvenile for 25 years.

Pinatubo's ultra-relaxed temperament is well-documented, with many close connections saying, "He just loved sleeping and eating," sought-after characteristics in the Australian breeding and racing arena.

"I'm not sure you'd get any better 2-year-olds," Cox said. "He's the highest-rated 2-year-old in Europe in the last 25 years, he's by a very good stallion in Shamardal, and he's a proper horse. He's great-looking and was an exceptional talent on the track."



Earthlight | Darley

The Speed of Light

The second new stallion is Earthlight, and one would be forgiven for mistaking him for Lope De Vega (Ire), another high-class son of Shamardal.

Both Earthlight and Lope De Vega were trained by champion French trainer André Fabre, both secured two elite-level Group 1 victories, both are chestnuts carrying a striking white blaze, and both bear the 'Ire' suffix carried by many a champion.

With the success of his sire and another sire son in Australia, Earthlight profiles as the ideal prospect for the Australian broodmare population, free of Danehill (USA) and from a 2-year-old winning mare.

Earthlight displayed blistering speed to win five times from five races at two, two at Group 1 level including running a course-record time in the Middle Park S. at Newmarket, and they've been racing there since 1866 there for over three centuries.

"He's potentially flying under the radar a little bit, but I challenge anyone to have a close look at his record and what he achieved and fault him in any way," Cox said. "He was a multiple Group 1 winner at two. He's not a pretender--he was a top-quality performer. He has other parts to his resume as well, with a quality pedigree and outstanding looks, but he doesn't have to lean back on those at all. His racetrack performances speak for themselves, and I think he's a terrific addition to Australian stallion ranks at what we believe is a very reasonable fee."

From an early age, Ghaiyyath displayed champion-like qualities. A €1.1-million foal at Goffs, the son of Dubawi from Group 1-winning **Galileo (Ire)** mare Nighttime (Ire) is perfectly bred and the ultimate sales horse, with a race record to back these up.



Ghaiyyath | Darley



Bivouac | Bronwen Healy

At two, Ghaiyyath won at Group 3 level by 1.75l, and he continued on an upward trajectory through to five--something few champion racehorses are able to do without the temperament and tenacity to back up their type. Crowned Longines World's Best Racehorse and Cartier Horse of the Year for 2020, the Charlie Appleby-trained entire took the two strongest races on the planet in 2020 and retired a four-time Group 1 winner.

These elite-level victories saw him beat 11-time Group 1 winner Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}), six-time Group 1 winner Magical (Ire) (**Galileo {Ire}**) and seven-time Group 1 winner Stradivarius (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), plus a host of other racetrack stars. He retired to stud having won his races by a combined 41l, or an average of 4.5l.

"He was the highest-rated horse in the world in 2020, and it's very exciting for us, for Victorian breeders and for the Australian industry as a whole to introduce a horse of this calibre," Cox said. "With him, it's not all about absolute precocity, but it's the absolute quality of the horse. If you look past the horses that offer the sheer speed, it's these types of stallions that take you to the big dances a bit later on--the Cox Plates, the Cups and the Tancred S."

Star Local Sprinter

Completing the quartet of champions being added to the Darley roster is the star local sprinter Bivouac, a son of Exceed And Excel who has won seven races including the G1 Darley Sprint Classic, Newmarket H. and Golden Rose. His fee will be announced on the completion of his racing career, with his final Australian start likely to be this Saturday's G1 TJ Smith S.

"He's our locally bred, locally raced horse, and we're very fond and proud of him," Cox said. "He was a very good 2-year-old, and he's carried on through his 3-year-old and 4-year-old seasons and is still racing extremely well."

“We’re hoping he still has some more racing in him, and some more Group 1 performances. He’s everything Australian breeding stands for, we’re rightly very proud of him and looking forward to offering him to Australian breeders once his racing career is over.”



IN SINGAPORE:

Bruce Alnaughty, g, 3, **Adelaide (Ire)**--Me No Marsh Potato, by **Street Sense** (USA). Kranji, 4-4, Restricted Maiden (\$73k), 1400m, 1:23.21. B-J Singh (NSW). *First winner for sire (by **Galileo {Ire}**) in Singapore. **VIDEO**

Tiger Roar, g, 3, **Wandjina**--Melrose Place (SW-Aus, \$116,435), by Purrealist. Kranji, 4-4, Hcp. (\$68k), 1400m, 1:22.19. B-Aquis Happy Valley Syndicate (Qld). *\$62,000 Wlg '18 INGJUN; \$100,000 Ylg '19 INGFEF. **VIDEO**

Kharisma, g, 4, **Mossman**--Command More, by **More Than Ready** (USA). Kranji, 4-4, Kranji Stakes 'A' (\$98k), 1200m, 1:08.98. B-Robrick Lodge Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd (NSW). *\$65,000 Ylg '18 INGFEF. **VIDEO**

Entertainer, g, 4, **Zoustar**--Laughing, by **Distorted Humor** (USA). Kranji, 4-4, Hcp. (\$49k), 1100m (AWT), 1:05.46. B-Rothwell Park (NSW). *\$65,000 RNA Wlg '17 MGLMAY; \$150,000 Ylg '18 MMGCYS. **VIDEO**



IN SINGAPORE:

Sure Will Do, g, 4, **Per Incanto (USA)**--Eloa (GSW-NZ), by Volksraad (GB). Kranji, 4-4, Hcp. (NZ\$53k), 1100m (AWT), 1:04.96. B-Little Avondale Trust. *NZ\$210,000 Ylg '18 NZBJAN. **VIDEO**

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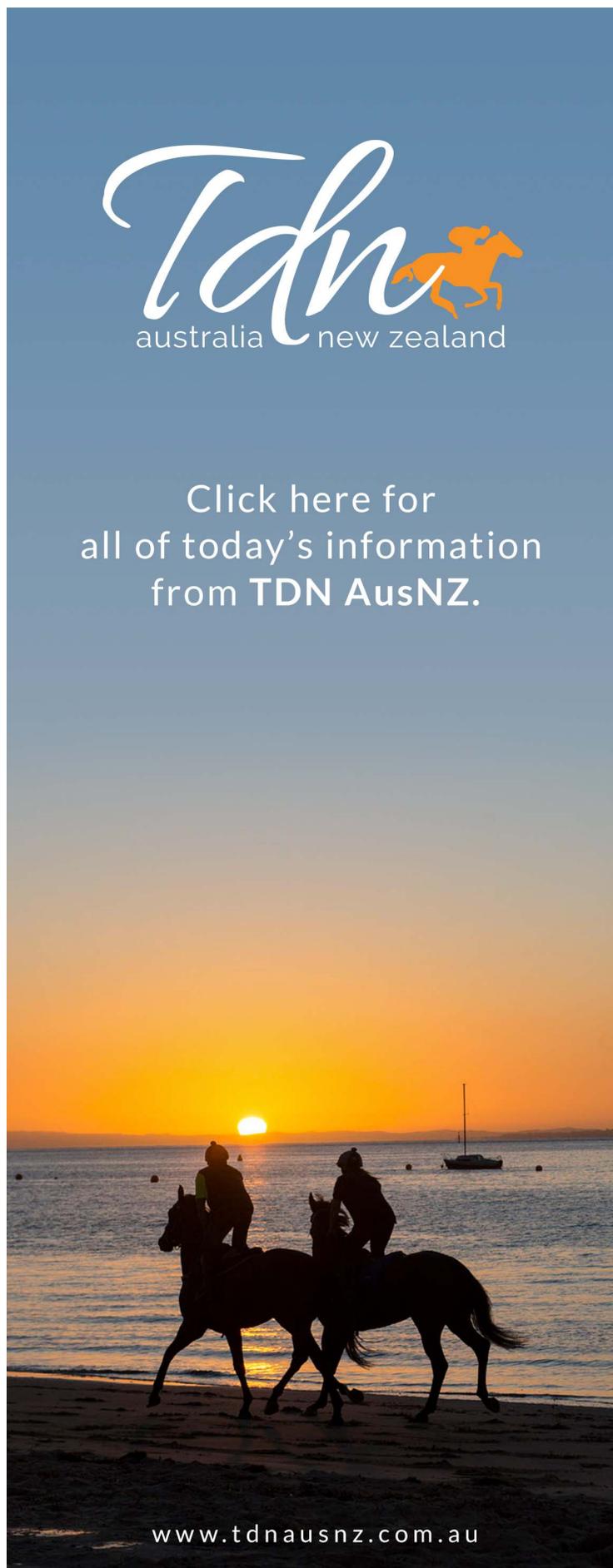
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