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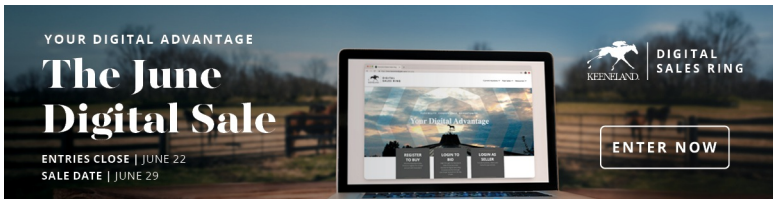

ESSENTIAL QUALITY DRAWS POST TWO IN BELMONT

Essential Quality | *Horsephotos*

Godolphin's **Essential Quality** (Tapit) will break from post two and was installed as the 2-1 morning-line favorite when post positions were drawn Tuesday morning for Saturday's GI Belmont S. The Brad Cox trainee suffered the first loss of his career when fourth in the GI Kentucky Derby, but had previously been undefeated in five starts and was named last year's champion 2-year-old male.

"He ran what I thought was a winning race in the Derby; he didn't have the trip, but he showed up and he's been improving in every start," said Cox, who will be saddling his first Belmont S. runner. "I'm confident that he can handle the mile and a half. Just based off his works and his races, he's very steady and doesn't seem to get tired. He has a tremendous amount of stamina that I think he was just blessed with based on his pedigree. Luis [Saez] has a ton of confidence in the colt and he's confident Essential Quality can get the distance. We're hopefully set up for a big race Saturday."

Breaking just to the outside of the morning-line favorite in the eight-horse Belmont is John and Diane Fradkin's **Rombauer** (Twirling Candy). Winner of the May 15 GI Preakness S., the colt will break from post three and is 3-1 on the morning line. One stall further out in the four-hole is Derby third finisher **Hot Rod Charlie** (Oxbow), made the 7-2 third choice. ***Cont. p3***

BELMONT A WEATHERVANE FOR CALUMET

by Chris McGrath

The mystique around Calumet is such that it aptly discloses a nearly perfect anagram for "Camelot." Both words evoke, not just an idealized past, but a yearning for the restoration of standards eroded during our unchivalrous times. Of course, Calumet has itself had its modern lapses, but there's no mistaking the wholesome intentions animating its latest ownership.

True, the methods of Brad Kelley and his team sometimes strike the orthodox observer as idiosyncratic, to put it mildly. But it makes sense to write a new chapter, in their own hand, rather than try to retrace the calligraphy of a bygone, irretrievable age. To some of us, moreover, the ends implicit in the Calumet program are as exemplary as the means can admittedly appear quixotic. ***Cont. p3***

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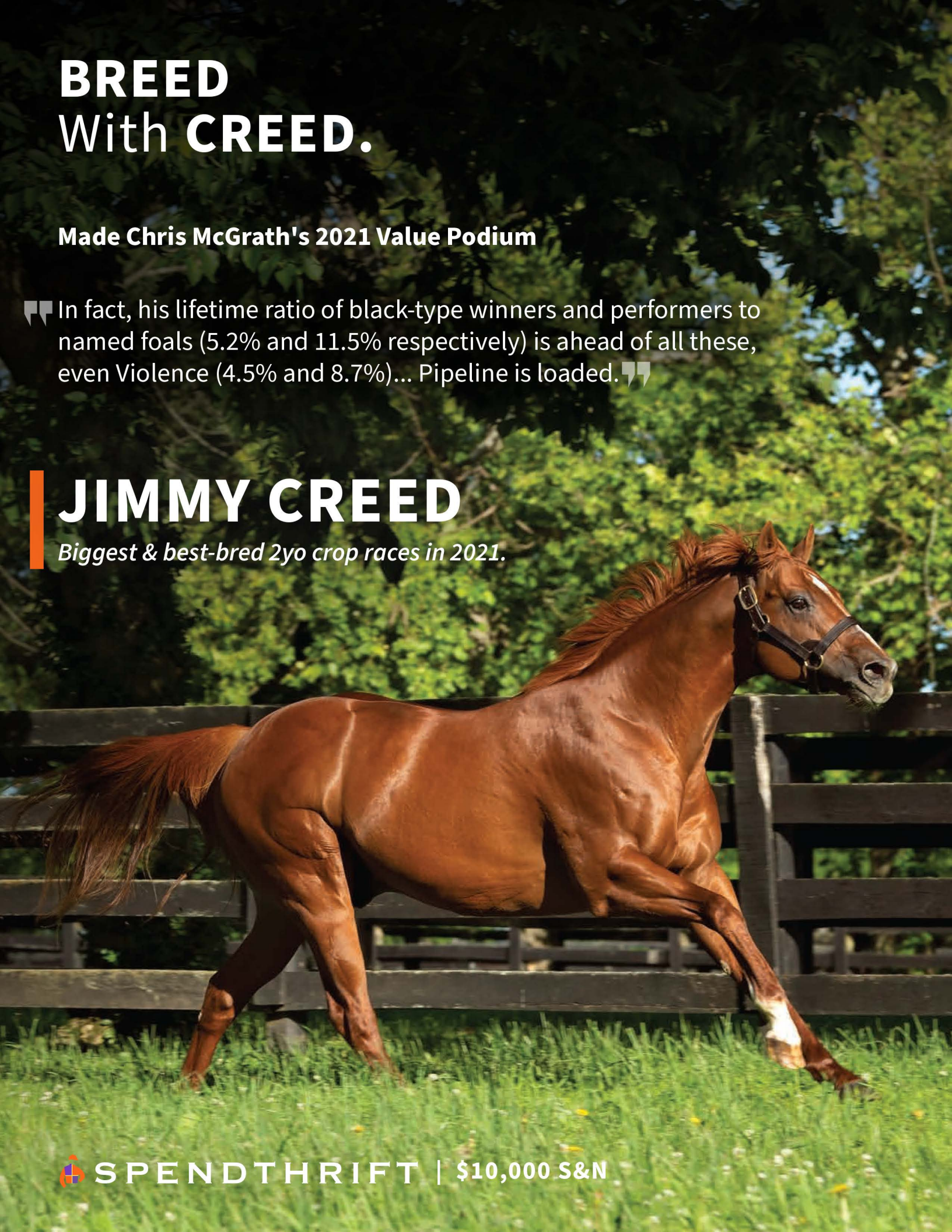
THE DERBY APPROACH

Emma Berry checks in with master trainer Jim Bolger, who has homebred **Mac Swiney (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) ready for the G1 Cazoo Derby. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Europe.**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Check out Emma Berry's interview with Jim Bolger in TDN Europe. The master trainer/breeder saddles Mac Swiney (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), winner of the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas, in Saturday's G1 Cazoo Epsom Derby. | *Getty Images*

REBEL'S ROMANCE OUT OF BELMONT 7

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STEVE DANCE MEMORIAL JUNE 16 8

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TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

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Belmont Draw cont. from p1

The fourth preference at 9-2 is expected pacemaker and GI Runhappy Santa Anita Derby hero **Rock Your World** (Candy Ride {Arg}), who drew post seven.

"In an ideal world, we wanted to be to the outside of Rock Your World since he figures to be leaving there pretty hard, but that didn't happen," said Doug O'Neill, trainer of Hot Rod Charlie. "We're just grateful to be in the gate and to have [Flavien] Prat and to have the horse doing well ... I think it's a very evenly-matched crop. You could throw a blanket over about 10 of them on any given day that could jump up and leave the group. I'm biased of course, but I think 'Charlie' is top-tier."

Todd Pletcher will saddle three of the eight in the 1 1/2-mile Classic, with rail-drawn GII Wood Memorial S. upsetter **Bourbonic** (Bernardini, 15-1), GI Curlin Florida Derby scorer **Known Agenda** (Curlin, 6-1) in post six and **Overtook** (Curlin) widest out in the eight-hole at 20-1. Japanese hope **France Go de Ina** (Will Take Charge) is the longest shot on the morning line at 30-1 and will break from post five.

"I don't think the post positions matter so much with my three," said Pletcher. "I think, of all the Triple Crown events, post position is least important here, especially in an eight-horse field. I was happy with all the posts. I think the real key is we need an honest pace and there are three of four horses in here who will try to be prominently placed early and if they set an honest pace, I think that will help all three of mine."

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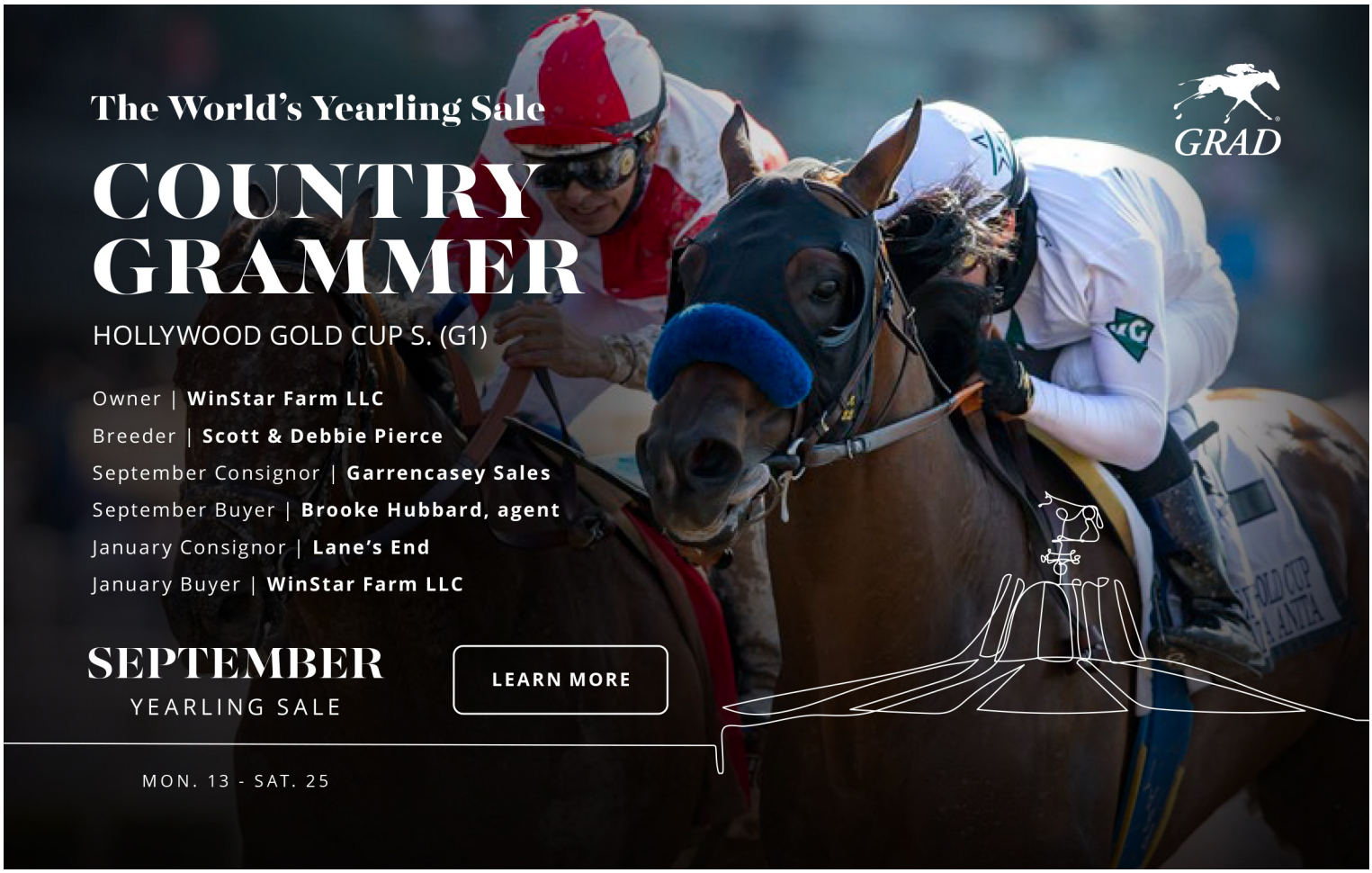
Belmont a Weathervane for Calumet cont. from p1

The volume is certainly industrial, yet with a superb contempt for the commercialism that sustain operations on a similar scale elsewhere. And someday the unfashionable values condensed in the stallion roster--hardiness, stamina, old-school genes and a good dash of turf quality--will perhaps be prized as critical to the regeneration of a breed corroded by short-term "pragmatism": by pharmaceutical training, for instance, or fast-buck breeding.

These happen to be precisely those assets required in the GI Belmont S., the 153rd running of which has corresponding potential to measure the progress of the Calumet revival.

Most obviously, that's because the farm silks are carried by **Bourbonic** (Bernardini), winner of the GII Wood Memorial before failing to get involved in a GI Kentucky Derby dominated by those closer to the pace. His longshot success at Aqueduct had vindicated Calumet's familiar indifference to the wagering odds, and if Bourbonic can do the same Saturday, then you could measure his achievement against the rather surprising fact, given its record in the other Classics, that the farm has hitherto raced only two Belmont winners. ***Cont. p4***



Both, moreover, were completing a Triple Crown. Of course, Alydar's epic duel with Affirmed, completing their Triple Exacta, arguably gave him as resonant a place in Calumet history as Whirlaway (1941) or Citation (1948), but one way or another Pensive (1944), Tim Tam (1958) and Forward Pass (1968) all found the Belmont a bridge too far.

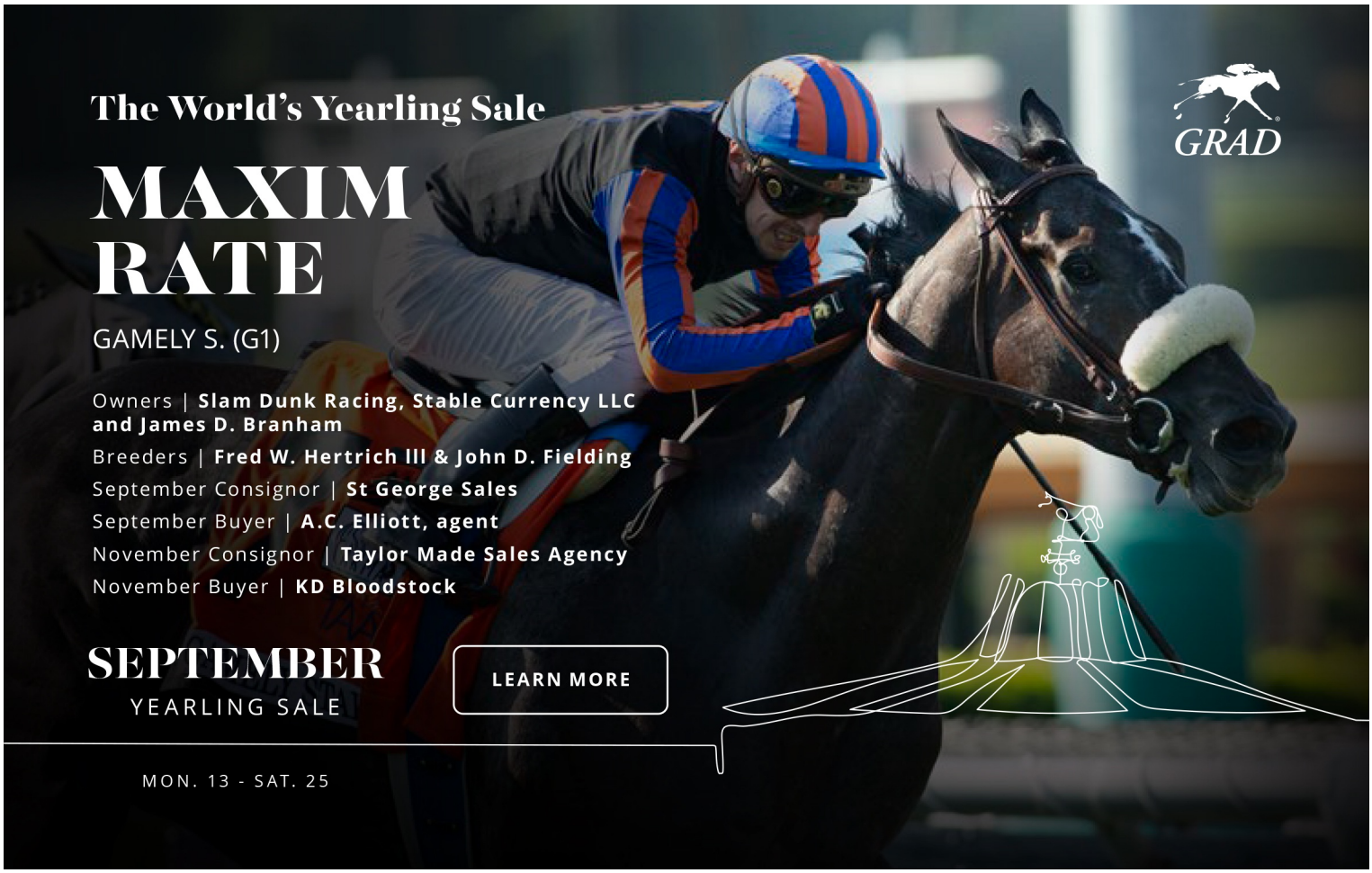
Bourbonic is something of a bonus, having been acquired in utero when his Grade II-winning dam Dancing Afleet (Afleet Alex) was recruited to the broodmare band for $170,000 at the Keeneland November Sale of 2017. Arguably, then, the stakes are barely less high in **Hot Rod Charlie** (Oxbow), who is throwing a lifeline to a stallion drifting perilously close to the weir.

Bourbonic | *Sarah Andrew*

Oxbow entered Kelley's ownership just as he was ramping up his ambitions on the Turf, purchased for $250,000 at the 2011 September Sale the year before he took over Calumet. Bred by Colts Neck Stables, he had a wonderful two-turn pedigree: by Awesome Again out of an unraced sister to Tiznow (and so to Budroyale and the rest of the crew).

His debut at Saratoga the following summer could scarcely have been less auspicious, pulled up and vanned off. Within the year, however, he had completed a hectic career under D. Wayne Lukas. Having required another three attempts to break his maiden, he ran fourth in the GI Futurity on the synthetic at Hollywood Park. Lukas then put him through monthly Derby trials and, though his performances were uneven, they did include an 11-length romp in the GIII Lecomte S. and a narrow defeat by Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song) in the GII Rebel S.

Lukas had laid his foundation and Oxbow's sixth to Orb (Malibu Moon) was a fine effort in what remains the last Derby to set up for a closer, stubbornly the last to relent among those exposed to the pace. ***Cont. p5***



Able to control a less exacting tempo at Pimlico, he duly lasted home for Calumet's eighth GI Preakness.

Proceeding to the Belmont, he was thwarted only by Palace Malice (Curlin) and duly qualified as the premier overall achiever across the Classics that year. Unfortunately, he then emerged from the GI Haskell Invitational with an ankle injury that brought down the curtain, but Oxbow had established himself as a throwback, speed-carrying scrapper with a pedigree worth recycling.

Oxbow | *Horsephotos*

With the new regime at Calumet evidently finding its feet, Oxbow was launched with 110 mares at Taylor Made, but he came "home" for 2015. Here, with the broodmare band expanding, he was favored with a remarkable sequence of books, corralling 134, 153 and 187 covers through his second to fourth years.

Hot Rod Charlie is a graduate of that monster fourth book. By the time Bob and Sean Feld picked him out as a $17,000 short yearling, the last horse from the estate of Edward A. Cox Jr., Oxbow had already been renounced by the commercial market. Even the rise of his half-brother Mitole (Eskendereya) could not inflate an inspired pinhook beyond $110,000 when Dennis O'Neill found him back at Fasig-Tipton that October.

The big question is whether Hot Rod Charlie has broken out in time to redeem his sire. Oxbow's next three books plunged giddily to 78, 23 and 15. On the face of it, you would have to conclude that the Calumet team had themselves come to the same conclusion as the market. From nearly 600 covers across his first four seasons, he hadn't really seized his chance.

True, he came up with GII Gulfstream Oaks winner Coach Rocks from his first crop. But Oxbow had only one other graded stakes winner before Hot Rod Charlie, who will duly be credited by many to a mare who produced a champion sprinter by a stallion meanwhile exported to South Korea. ***Cont. p6***

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Remember that Oxbow's close relative Paynter, retired in the same intake, is operating at almost double the strike-rate in terms of black-type winners and performers. Hot Rod Charlie, then, unmistakably finds his sire at a crossroads.

Hot Rod Charlie | *Coady Photography*

Now it may be that he has never really had much quality to back up the quantity. Yes, Calumet is throwing volume across the board--an approach, in 2019, that restored the farm as leading breeder by prizemoney for the first time since 1961, and its racetrack division (intended to develop families and support the breeding program) to second in the owners' table. But Oxbow's covering history suggests that he can't ever have had much outside support from mares that might have brought him a little commercial zip.

That's hardly surprising, in that he wasn't really priced to invite them. For if there has been one aspect of Calumet's roster that made even its admirers a little uncomfortable, it was a pricing structure that set a challenging premium on assets culpably under-rated by the marketplace. Fair enough: why should Calumet undervalue the breed's family silver just because others do? But that does make it hard to sell to outside clients aspiring to some kind of dividend at auction.

Take a look at the 2018 roster. To be fair, at $25,000 English Channel was becoming as accomplished a stallion as you can find anywhere, at that kind of price, but the puerile treatment of turf horses by the commercial market made him an option principally for end users. Next came Keen Ice, introduced at $20,000. Oxbow was standing at the same fee; Bal a Bali (Brz) and Big Blue Kitten were offered at $15,000; and Red Rocks (Ire) was $10,000.

This spring, however, Calumet joined virtually every other farm in making fee cuts in the pandemic economy. But their action was more decisive than most, and the result was a roster that suddenly looks far more accessible. English Channel, having been elevated to $35,000 as he increasingly stood comparison to Kitten's Joy, was trimmed back to $27,500. Keen Ice was cut from $20,000 to $9,500; as a relative newcomer, Ransom The Moon was pegged at $7,500, but rookie Bravazo was pitched into play at just $6,000; Bal a Bali was slashed from $15,000 to $5,000; and Big Blue Kitten, from $10,000 to $5,000. And Oxbow, freshly decorated by a GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up, was now trading at $7,500.

There's a timeless message on a splendid clocktower recently added to one of the colleges at Oxford University. On one side are carved the words: “It's later than you think.” ***Cont. p7***

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On the next you read: "...but it's never too late." That's just about where Oxbow stands now.

It would be a pity for this conduit of such good blood to dry up altogether. Paynter, as mentioned, is reiterating the potency of their family--he's out of another of Tiznow's unraced sisters--while their late sire Awesome Again has bequeathed a dynamism on dirt (seen at its mightiest in Ghostzapper) that has made him the vital linchpin of the Deputy Minister sire-line. That's especially comforting, given Deputy Minister's iconic influence not just as a broodmare sire, but also as a sire of broodmare sires. So whatever else Oxbow can still do, some breeders will surely try their luck with his daughters.

Calumet clients, incidentally, can tap into a double dose of Deputy Minister through Keen Ice. He's by Curlin (whose damsire is Deputy Minister) out of an Awesome Again mare, and showed the trademark Deputy Minister constitution in earning $3.4 million across four seasons. From an aristocratic family, Keen Ice now looks particularly good value for breeders who might retain a filly. His first juveniles are off the mark already, but we know that they will only get better.

By the same token, Oxbow may himself retain half a chance to claw a way back via the foothold he has found in Hot Rod Charlie. So many of this sire-line's premier achievers, from Knicks Go to Game On Dude, have thrived with maturity that perhaps a few others, among the maturing graduates of those big books, can now follow in Hot Rod Charlie's slipstream.

All in all, then, a Belmont success for either Bourbonic or a son of Oxbow would showcase precisely those speed-carrying, two-turn dirt genes that first exalted Calumet. With a positive test dangling over Medina Spirit (Protonico), many people have this spring been remembering the farm's promoted Derby winner Forward Pass. The disqualification of Dancer's Image that year was far too complex a tale to reprise here, but certainly created unease about the possibility of a Triple Crown falling into the lap of Forward Pass.

In 2021, however, the Belmont could help everyone recognize the service Calumet is offering a sport facing a painful battle with so many corner-cutting practices. Oxbow is the first Preakness winner to stand there since Forward Pass. And whether or not he can renew his career with Hot Rod Charlie, or Bourbonic ends up joining the likes of Keen Ice in fighting the good fight, Calumet is sketching out a new chapter, not just in its own long history but in that of the whole industry.

Kelley and his team have grasped that soundness and durability, backed up by deep pedigrees, can actually make a precarious business more sustainable. Someday, as such, breeding a horse for the sales ring might even become the same as breeding a horse for the racetrack. It's a long haul, for sure. But where better to start than a race like the Belmont?

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REBEL'S ROMANCE OUT OF BELMONT

Godolphin's **Rebel's Romance (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), winner of the G2 UAE Derby in March, will be forced to miss Saturday's GI Belmont S. due to an infection in a hind leg, according to a tweet from Godolphin Tuesday morning.

"We hope this is only a minor setback and we look forward to seeing him back on the racecourse in the near future," the tweet read.

Rebel's Romance | *Horsephotos*

With his UAE Derby victory, Rebel's Romance had qualified into the field for the May 1 GI Kentucky Derby, but connections decided to bypass that race and aim for the Belmont. The Godolphin homebred, trained by Charles Appleby, most recently worked six furlongs in 1:14.29 (1/2) at Belmont Park May 26.

Godolphin is expected to be represented in the Belmont by last year's champion 2-year-old **Essential Quality** (Tapit).

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The five-session under-tack show ahead of next week's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds gets underway Wednesday morning at 7:30 a.m.

Hip numbers 1-185 will breeze Wednesday. Hips 186-370 will go to the track Thursday; hips 371-554 breeze Friday; hips 555-738 work Saturday and hips 739-927 will go to the track Sunday.

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STEVE DANCE MEMORIAL JUNE 16

A celebration of the life of Steve Dance will be held at the Fasig-Tipton Sales Pavilion at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium June 16 at 1 p.m.

Dance, who passed away May 25 at the age of 78, spent over half-a-century as an auctioneer, both at Fasig-Tipton and at his own Milton J. Dance Company.

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Export handle on the Lone Star Park Million Day card was $5,494,681, besting the previous high of $4,523,685 bet on Million Day in 2001.

A total of $904,299 was wagered on-track Monday and attendance on the rain-soaked day was 5,851.

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HARTMAN NAMED RTIP CHAIR

Robert Hartman has been named the new chair of the University of Arizona's Race Track Industry Program. A graduate of the program himself, Hartman has held marketing and management positions at the New York Racing Association, Santa Anita Park and Golden Gate Fields. His previous experience also includes serving as the Associate Athletic Director at the University of California, Berkeley and CEO of the American Contract Bridge League.

"A traditional on-campus four-year education experience may not be the right fit for some prospective RTIP students," Hartman said. "We need to meet students where they are by developing offerings tailored to fit their needs. We will explore ideas such as additional remote learning opportunities, certificate programs, international programs and continuing education programs."

Robert Hartman

He continued, "Listening to the needs of racing industry stakeholders will be an important first step as we begin to reshape the program. The Global Symposium on Racing has been the premier industry gathering for the exchange of ideas and best practices. We plan to continue to build on that success."

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KEENELAND TO CELEBRATE SUMMER WITH BREAKFAST AT THE TRACK

Keeneland will host a number of activities at the iconic race track this summer, led by Breakfast at the Track, a new Keeneland Crafted event for the public to be held Saturday, June 19 and Saturday, July 10 from 8-10:30 a.m. ET.

An outdoor event, Breakfast at the Track will allow guests to experience the beauty of Thoroughbreds working over Keeneland's main track while enjoying an array of unique breakfast offerings created by Keeneland Hospitality, highlighted by Buckles Mini Carrot Cake Jacks and a Doughnut Hole Bar for children, as well as a Breakfast Burrito, Everything Bagel Sandwich and more. This family-friendly outing also features pony rides for kids, Paddock Demonstrations from equine partners and interactive equine-themed experiences for all ages.

Tickets for both the June and July Breakfast at the Track events are now on sale at tickets.Keeneland.com. Tickets are $20 for adults and $12 for children and include admission and unlimited breakfast options. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event.

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"Keeneland is excited to open our gates and welcome the community back to the track," Keeneland President and CEO Shannon Arvin said. "This will be a fantastic summer as we reconnect with family, friends and those special places in our lives. Breakfast at the Track is a fitting way for Keeneland to show its appreciation for our fans and to thank them for their continued support and enthusiasm, particularly during this past year."

In addition to Breakfast at the Track, the Keeneland Crafted event lineup includes a Belt Making Workshop presented by Keeneland Mercantile to be held Wednesday, June 30 from 6:30-8 p.m.

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PETERSON JOINS IHRC AS EQUINE MEDICAL DIRECTOR

The Indiana Horse Racing Commission has hired Kerry Peterson, D.V.M as their Equine Medical Director. Dr. Peterson has over 15 years of experience with equine and small animal private practice and regulatory veterinary medicine and most recently served as the Medical Director and Veterinarian of Pet Wellness Clinics, which has nine locations in central Indiana. In addition, her past regulatory experience includes Director of Animal Health Programs for the Indiana State Board of Animal Health.

"We are excited to have Dr. Peterson join our team at the IHRC," said IHRC Executive Director Deena Pitman. "It is essential to have full-time guidance from a talented individual who has the necessary education and background to assist our agency in animal and safety welfare. Dr. Peterson will serve as an available regulatory resource in working with racing officials, practicing veterinarians and horsemen regarding current rules, proposed medication rules and assist the commission in navigating the safety and animal welfare issues being proposed nationally. This position is critical to Indiana maintaining the high level of integrity and standards we have built within our racing industry over the years,"

In her role as Equine Medical Director, Peterson will be providing oversight for all IHRC-related veterinary and equine health needs including testing procedures, compliance, enforcement of commission regulations and spearheading new programs affecting equine welfare. She will be dividing her time between Indiana's two pari-mutual tracks as well as the IHRC's Indianapolis office and can be contacted at KePeterson@hrc.IN.gov.

"I'm excited to join the Indiana Horse Racing Commission as their Equine Medical Director," Peterson said. "Horse racing has always been a passion of mine. I'm looking forward to working with the Indiana horse racing industry stakeholders to help improve the safety and welfare of the horses and the integrity of the sport."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JOHN FULTON

On Memorial Day, we saw a great race between Country Grammer and Royal Ship (Brz), a horse that I purchased in Brazil for Fox Hill Farm and Siena Farm. Two classy horses battling to the wire and neither giving up. But, what Royal Ship was giving up was weight to the winner and that is the issue that I want to address. Why, in a Grade I stakes race, or any graded stakes for that matter, are the horses not running with equal weights or, at least, weight for age or sex?

I'm not saying that the two-pound difference in the Gold Cup made a difference in the outcome, as Country Grammer ran an amazingly game race. But where do we draw the line on who deserves to be classified as a graded winner?

Many years ago, I trained a horse named Big Whippendeal for George Steinbrenner and won the Hialeah Turf Cup in track-record time. I then took him to California for the GI Century H., which he also won. We went back to Hollywood Park for the GI Sunset S. and my horse lost by a nose to a horse named Greco II.

If I remember correctly, Greco ll was in with 108 pounds with the great Bill Shoemaker aboard. My horse carried 126 pounds with another great in Laffitt Pincay.

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Shoe closed on the far outside and Laffitt didn't even see him and he brought Big Whippendeal back to the winner's circle to get our picture taken. In the end a nose, and eighteen pounds, beat us out taking that photo.

Does Greco ll deserve to be classified as a Grade I winner? I don't think so, but any catalogue page will list him as such and give more value to his entire family.

I have always believed that any horse who achieves the classification of being a graded stakes horse should have to accomplish that without having advantages over his competition.

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SIRES WITH NEW SWs/GSWs

FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 2021
NORTH AMERICAN-BASED STALLIONS

Country Grammer (right) became the first Grade I winner for Lane's End's Tonalist, who was also represented by Bouwerie S. winner Betsy Blue and GIII Pennine Ridge S. runner-up The Reds | *Benoit*

Sire (Sire's Sire)	#SWs	#GSWs (GISWs)
Big Blue Kitten (Kitten's Joy)	*1*	---
(Cellist--Audubon S.)		
Central Banker (Speightstown)	*7*	---
(Bank Sting--Critical Eye S.)		
Constitution (Tapit)	14	7
(Warrant--Texas Derby)		
Country Day (Speightstown)	*4*	2
(Vintage Hollywood--Kingston S.)		
Diabolical (Artax)	*14*	---
(My Boanerges--Chamberlain Bridge S.)		
Distorted Humor (Forty Niner)	*154*	*67*
(Gershwin--GIII Penn Mile)		
English Channel (Smart Strike)	*56*	29
(It's A Gamble--Jersey Derby)		
First Samurai (Giant's Causeway)	*30*	17
(Drena's Star--Honor The Hero S.)		

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Ghostzapper (Awesome Again)	*85*	*46*
(Award Winner--GII Charles Whittingham S.; Our Iris Rose--Memorial Day Sprint S.)		
Great Notion (Elusive Quality)	*27*	2
(Ravens Delight--With Anticipation S.)		
Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday)	98	*43*
(Fulsome--GIII Matt Winn S.)		
Midnight Lute (Real Quiet)	33	13 *(5)*
(Smooth Like Strait--GI Shoemaker Mile S.)		
Midshipman (Unbridled's Song)	*33*	7
(Navy Armed Guard--All American S.)		
Mshawish (Medaglia d'Oro)	*1*	*1*
(Sainthood--GIII Pennine Ridge S.)		

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Oxbow (Awesome Again)	7	3
(Lord Dragon--Brooks Fields S.)		
Tapit (Pulpit)	*144*	*90*
(Magic On Tap--GII Triple Bend S.)		
Tonalist (Tapit)	*6*	2 *(1)*
(Country Grammer--GI Hollywood Gold Cup) Betsy Blue--Bouwerie S.)		

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Twirling Candy (Candy Ride {Arg})	*27*	10
(River Dog--Mike Lee S.)		

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Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie)	69	*39*
(Mo Mosa--GIII Steve Sexton Mile S.)		
War Front (Danzig)	97	*54*
(Bombard--GIII Daytona S.)		

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Cumulative Leading Third-Crop Sires by Grade I Winners

for stallions standing in North America through Monday, May 31

Earnings represent worldwide figures, NH Foals, stud fees listed are 2021 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	**American Pharoah**	16	32	10	21	3	9	232	120	1,928,283	14,464,996
	(2012) by Pioneerof the Nile FYR: 2017			*Stands: Ashford Stud KY Fee: $100,000*						*Cafe Pharoah*	
2	**Liam's Map**	9	16	6	9	3	5	156	83	1,264,565	8,598,937
	(2011) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2017			*Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: $30,000*						*Colonel Liam*	
3	**Daredevil**	5	8	2	3	2	3	111	57	2,125,480	6,693,031
	(2012) by More Than Ready FYR: 2017			*Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: $25,000*						*Swiss Skydiver*	
4	**Constitution**	14	32	7	18	1	4	182	112	2,735,300	13,175,255
	(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017			*Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: $85,000*						*Tiz the Law*	
5	**Tonalist**	6	17	2	7	1	1	131	78	390,655	6,217,681
	(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017			*Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: $12,500*						*Tonalist's Shape*	
6	**Palace Malice**	7	11	4	6	1	1	148	82	710,880	5,691,181
	(2010) by Curlin FYR: 2017			*Stands: Three Chimneys Farm KY Fee: $20,000*						*Structor*	
7	**Honor Code**	3	10	2	5	1	2	150	74	532,200	5,559,345
	(2011) by A.P. Indy FYR: 2017			*Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: $20,000*						*Honor A. P.*	
8	**Mr Speaker**	2	6	1	1	1	1	64	40	497,090	2,771,949
	(2011) by Pulpit FYR: 2017			*Stands: Lane's End Farm KY Fee: $5,000*						*Speech*	
9	**Tapiture**	8	21	1	4	--	1	209	133	1,338,540	8,843,586
	(2011) by Tapit FYR: 2017			*Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: $10,000*						*Jesus' Team*	
10	**Carpe Diem**	5	9	--	2	--	--	175	95	360,775	6,213,306
	(2012) by Giant's Causeway FYR: 2017			*Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: $7,500*						*Chancheng Prince*	
11	**Khozan**	7	17	--	3	--	--	108	71	442,800	6,185,883
	(2012) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2017			*Stands: Journeyman Stud FL Fee: $10,000*						*Princess Secret*	
12	**Bayern**	4	13	1	3	--	--	119	87	323,696	5,957,592
	(2011) by Offlee Wild FYR: 2017			*Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: $7,500*						*Biddy Duke*	
13	**Competitive Edge**	6	13	--	4	--	--	123	76	307,200	5,410,258
	(2012) by Super Saver FYR: 2017			*Stands: Valor Farm TX Fee: $5,000*						*Edgeway*	
14	**Wicked Strong**	3	10	1	1	--	--	171	90	273,074	4,924,716
	(2011) by Hard Spun FYR: 2017			*Stands: Pin Oak Lane Farm PA Fee: $3,500*						*Evil Lyn*	
15	**Summer Front**	5	11	3	5	--	1	134	67	407,406	4,640,213
	(2009) by War Front FYR: 2017			*Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: $10,000*						*Ete Indien*	

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INTERCONTINENTAL S.-GIII, $200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Publication	Tapit	Juddmonte	Brown	Castellano	118
2	Sweet Bye and Bye	Sky Mesa	Joseph M. Imbesi	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	122
3	Subsidiary	Central Banker	Noda Brothers, LLC	Noda	Rodriguez Castro	118
4	Change of Control	Fed Biz	Perry Harrison	Lovell	Hernandez	122
5	Madeleine Must (Fr)	Motivator (GB)	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, R. A. Hill Stable, and Schwartz, Martin S.	Clement	Rosario	118
6	Piedi Bianchi	Overanalyze	Oringer, Jay, Bick, Jack, Al Bianchi Racing LLC, Bayroff, Adam and Maturo, Mike	Martin	Franco	122
7	I'llhandalthecash	Point of Entry	VinLaur Racing Stables, LLC, Dark Horse Racing Stable and Taste Of Victory Stables LLC	Maker	Saez	118
8	Regal Glory	Animal Kingdom	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz	124
9	Aunt Kat	Uncle Mo	Carl F. Pollard	Mott	Alvarado	118

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 2-Joseph Imbesi, 3-James Everatt, Janeane Everatt &Arika Everatt-Meeuse, 4-Mr. John O' Meara, 5-Guy Heald, 6-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM, 7-Wynnstay LLC & Jay McKee, 8-Paul P Pompa, 9-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC

Thursday, Belmont, post time: 6:45 p.m. EDT

WONDER AGAIN S.-GIII, $200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mia Martina	Not This Time	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Fittipaldi, Gianni	Motion	Velazquez	118
2	Con Lima	Commissioner	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Graffeo, Joseph F., Del Toro, Eric Nikolaus and Johnson, Troy	Pletcher	Prat	122
3	I Get It	Get Stormy	Gary Barber	Casse	Carmouche	122
4	Alwayz Late	Animal Kingdom	Wachtel Stable, Pantofel Stable, LLC and TOLO Thoroughbreds, Inc.	Mott	Lezcano	118
5	Jouster	Noble Mission (GB)	Starlight Racing and Glen Hill Farm	Pletcher	Saez	122
6	Gift List (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Amerman Racing LLC	Lynch	Castellano	122
7	Fluffy Socks	Slumber (GB)	Head of Plains Partners LLC	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	122
8	Creative Cairo	Cairo Prince	Brereton C. Jones	Clement	Franco	118
9	Technical Analysis (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz	118
10	Plum Ali	First Samurai	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC and Caruso, Michael J.	Clement	Rosario	122

Breeders: 1-CESA Farm, 2-Lisa Kuhlmann, 3-Flying H Stables, LLC, 4-Tolo Thoroughbreds & Michael A. Spirito, 5-St. Elias Stables, LLC, 6-James Ortega Bloodstock Ltd, 7-Head Of Plains Partners, 8-Brereton C. Jones, 9-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 10-Stone Farm

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Friday, Belmont, post time: 5:15 p.m. EDT

NEW YORK S.-GII, $750,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Magic Attitude (GB)	Galileo (Ire)	Lael Stables	Delacour	McCarthy	124
2	Virginia Joy (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	120
3	Micheline	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Geroux	122
4	My Sister Nat (Fr)	Acclamation (GB)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz	120
5	Harvey's Lil Goil	American Pharoah	Estate of Harvey A. Clarke and Braverman, Paul	Mott	Alvarado	124
6	Civil Union	War Front	Allen Stable, Inc.	McGaughey III	Rosario	124
7	Mean Mary	Scat Daddy	Alex G. Campbell, Jr.	Motion	Saez	122
8	Antoinette	Hard Spun	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Bravo	120
9	Thundering Nights (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Shapoor Mistry	O'Brien	Velazquez	120
10	Traipsing	Stroll	Stone Farm	Clement	Carmouche	118
11	Mutamakina (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Al Shira'aa Farms	Clement	Castellano	120
12	Always Shopping	Awesome Again	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Prat	120

Breeders: 1-Katsumi Yoshida, 2-Gestut Auenquelle, 3-Godolphin, 4-Ecurie Des Monceaux, 5-Harvey A. Clarke, 6-Joseph Allen, LLC, 7-Alex G. Campbell, Jr. Thoroughbreds, LLC, 8-Godolphin, 9-Manjri Farm, 10-Stone Farm, 11-Widgham Stud, 12-Repole Stable, Inc.

Friday, Belmont, post time: 5:48 p.m. EDT

BELMONT GOLD CUP S.-GII, $400,000, 4yo/up, 2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	So High (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Knight R.B. Stables LLC	Chatterpaul	Cancel	118
2	Tide of the Sea	English Channel	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Prat	122
3	Ziyad (GB)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Wertheimer and Frere	Motion	Franco	118
4	Conviction Trade	Exchange Rate	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Ortiz, Jr.	118
5	Fantasioso (Arg)	Strategic Prince (GB)	Bloom Racing Stable LLC and Correas, IV, Ignacio	Correas, IV	Castellano	122
6	Strong Tide	English Channel	Penny S. Lauer	Lauer	Saez	120
7	Kinenos	Empire Maker	Anstu Stables, Inc.	Cox	Lezcano	118
8	Baron Samedi (GB)	Harbour Watch (Ire)	LECH Racing LLC	O'Brien	Velazquez	122
9	Ajourneytofreedom	Hard Spun	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Rosario	118

Breeders: 1-George Strawbridge, 2-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 3-Wertheimer et Frere, 4-John D. Gunther, 5-Luther Eduardo Carlos, 6-Michael E. Lauer & Penny S. Lauer, 7-T. F. VanMeter, 8-Usk Valley Stud, 9-Pursuit of Success LLC

Friday, Belmont, post time: 4:07 p.m. EDT

TRUE NORTH S.-GII, $300,000, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Firenze Fire	Poseidon's Warrior	Mr. Amore Stable	Breen	Ortiz, Jr.	122
2	Flagstaff	Speightstown	Lane's End Racing and Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Saez	124
3	Big Engine	Not For Love	McCourt Racing	Rice	Cancel	118
4	American Power	Power Broker	Goldfarb, Sanford & Irwin and Estate of Ira Davis	Atras	Carmouche	120
5	Looking At Bikinis	Lookin At Lucky	Long Lake Stable LLC, Madaket Stables LLC, Coleman, Thomas and Doheny Racing Stable	Brown	Castellano	118
6	Wicked Trick	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Rice, Linda and Cooper, Stephen G.	Rice	Lezcano	118
7	Phat Man	Munnings	Two Rivers Racing Stable, Stribling, M & Sweezey, K	Sweezey	Rosario	120

Breeders: 1-Mr Amore Stables, 2-Summer Wind Farm, 3-Tri County Stables, 4-Gary & Mary West Stables, Inc., 5-Neil Jones, 6-Corrigan Racing Stable, Inc., 7-Kim Nardelli & Rodney Nardelli

Friday, Belmont, post time: 4:40 p.m. EDT

BED O' ROSES S.-GIII, $300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Lake Avenue	Tapit	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	118
2	Piedi Bianchi	Overanalyze	Oringer, Jay, Bick, Jack, Al Bianchi Racing LLC, Bayroff, Adam and Maturo, Mike	Martin	Franco	118
3	Alandra	Blame	Alexander, Helen & Helen Groves Revocable Trust	McGaughey III	Lezcano	118
4	Bayerness	Bayern	Belladonna Racing, LLC	DeVaux	Saez	118
5	Victim of Love	Speightstown	Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC	Beattie	Rosario	120
6	Chub Wagon	Hey Chub	Lopez, Daniel J. and Chestnut, George	Preciado	Ortiz, Jr.	118
7	Pacific Gale	Flat Out	Holly Hill Stables, LLC	Kimmel	Velazquez	122
8	Estilo Talentoso	Maclean's Music	Medallion Racing, Fowler, B, Parkland Thoroughbreds, Little Red Feather Racing and BlackRidge Stables LLC	Arriagada	Castellano	118

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM, 3-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds, 4-Machmer Hall, 5-Daniel J. Burke, 6-Joe-Dan Farm & George Chestnut, 7-Bally Breeders, 8-Mile High Bloodstock LLC

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 6:49 p.m. EDT

BELMONT S. PRESENTED BY NYRA BETS-GI, $1,500,000, 3yo, 1 1/2m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bourbonic	Bernardini	Calumet Farm	Pletcher	Carmouche	126
2	Essential Quality	Tapit `	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Saez	126
3	Rombauer	Twirling Candy	Fradkin, John and Fradkin, Diane	McCarthy	Velazquez	126
4	Hot Rod Charlie	Oxbow	Boat Racing, LLC, Gainesway Stable, Roadrunner Racing and Strauss, William	O'Neill	Prat	126
5	France Go de Ina	Will Take Charge	Yuji Inaida	Mori	Santana, Jr.	126
6	Known Agenda	Curlin	St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	126
7	Rock Your World	Candy Ride (Arg)	Hronis Racing LLC and Talla, David Michael	Sadler	Rosario	126
8	Overtook	Curlin	Repole Stable, St. Elias Stable, Tabor, Michael B., Magnier, Mrs. John and Smith, Derrick	Pletcher	Franco	126

Breeders: 1-Calumet Farm, 2-Godolphin, 3-John Fradkin & Diane Fradkin, 4-Edward A. Cox Jr., 5-Betz, Kidder, B & K Canetti & Jim Betz, 6-St. Elias Stables, LLC, 7-Ron McAnally & Deborah McAnally, 8-Hill 'N' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc. &Philip J. Steinberg

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 4:42 p.m. EDT

HILL 'N' DALE METROPOLITAN H.-GI, $1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mischevious Alex	Into Mischief	Cash is King LLC and LC Racing	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	124
2	Dr Post	Quality Road	St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	118
3	Silver State	Hard Spun	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, Willis Horton Racing LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	120
4	Lexitonian	Speightstown	Calumet Farm	Sisterson	Gaffalione	118
5	By My Standards	Goldencents	Allied Racing Stable, LLC and Spendthrift Farm LLC	Calhoun	Saez	122
6	Knicks Go	Paynter	Korea Racing Authority	Cox	Rosario	126

Breeders: 1-WinStar Farm, LLC, 2-Cloyce C. Clark, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Don Ladd, 6-Angie Moore

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 5:38 p.m. EDT

RESORTS WORLD CASINO MANHATTAN S.-GI, $750,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	City Man	Mucho Macho Man	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Searles, Peter and Searles, Patty	Clement	Gaffalione	118
2	Bye Bye Melvin	Uncle Mo	Alex G. Campbell, Jr.	Motion	Alvarado	118
3	Masteroffoxhounds	War Front	Rockingham Ranch	Baltas	Franco	118
4	Domestic Spending (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	124
5	Master Piece (Chi)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Fernando Diaz-Valdes Stable, Baalbek Corp. and Don Alberto Stable	Brown	Castellano	118
6	Rockemperor (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Madaket Stables LLC, Dubb, Michael, Wonder Stables, Kisber, Michael E. and Caruso, Michael J.	Brown	Ortiz	118
7	Channel Cat	English Channel	Calumet Farm	Sisterson	Velazquez	122
8	Tribhuvan (Fr)	Toronado (Ire)	Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables and Caruso, Michael J.	Brown	Cancel	118
9	Gufo	Declaration of War	Otter Bend Stables, LLC	Clement	Rosario	118
10	Colonel Liam	Liam's Map	Low, Lawana L. and Robert E.	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	124

Breeders: 1-Moonstar Farm, 2-Alex G. Campbell, Jr. Thoroughbreds, LLC, 3-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 4-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 5-Haras Don Alberto, 6-Haras du Mezeray, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Jean Charles Haimet, Elza Petit & HannahPetit, 9-John Little & Stephen Cainelli, 10-Phillips Racing Partnership

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 2:01 p.m. EDT

ACORN S.-GI, $500,000, 3yo, f, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Travel Column	Frosted	OXO Equine LLC	Cox	Geroux	120
2	Obligatory	Curlin	Juddmonte	Mott	Ortiz	120
3	Miss Brazil	Palace Malice	Team D and Madaket Stables LLC	Dutrow	Castellano	118
4	Dayoutoftheoffice	Into Mischief	Hamm, Timothy E. and Siena Farm LLC	Hamm	Velazquez	120
5	Make Mischief	Into Mischief	Gary Barber	Casse	Gaffalione	118
6	Search Results	Flatter	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	120

Breeders: 1-Mr. & Mrs. Bayne Welker Jr. &Denali Stud, 2-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 3-Haymarket Farm LLC, 4-Siena Farms LLC, 5-Avanti Stable, 6-Machmer Hall

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 3:18 p.m. EDT

OGDEN PHIPPS S.-GI, $500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Swiss Skydiver	Daredevil	Peter J. Callahan	McPeek	Ortiz	124
2	Valiance	Tapit	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Schwartz, Martin S. and CHC Inc.	Pletcher	Saez	122
3	Letruska	Super Saver	St. George Stable LLC	Gutierrez	Ortiz, Jr.	122
4	Queen Nekia	Harlington	Ken Copenhaver	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	118
5	Shedaresthedevil	Daredevil	Flurry Racing Stables LLC, Qatar Racing and Lowry, Jr., Autry	Cox	Geroux	122
6	Water White	Conveyance	E.V. Racing Stable	Rodriguez	Franco	118
7	Bonny South	Munnings	Juddmonte	Cox	Rosario	120

Breeders: 1-WinStar Farm, LLC, 2-China Horse Club International Limited, 3-St George Stables, 4-Porter Racing Stable, LLC, 5-WinStar Farm, LLC, 6-Richard Forbush, 7-Juddmonte Farms Inc

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 3:58 p.m. EDT

LONGINES JUST A GAME S.-GI, $500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Zofelle (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Heider Family Stables LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	118
2	Sweet Bye and Bye	Sky Mesa	Joseph M. Imbesi	Joseph, Jr.	Lezcano	118
3	Daddy Is a Legend	Scat Daddy	Hill, Jim and Susan	Weaver	Franco	118
4	Regal Glory	Animal Kingdom	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Castellano	122
5	Always Shopping	Awesome Again	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
6	Pocket Square (GB)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Juddmonte	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
7	Abscond	Blame	Apogee Racing	Kenneally	Rosario	118
8	Althiqa (GB)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Smith	118
9	Summer Romance (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Saez	120
10	Tamahere (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Swift Thoroughbreds, Inc., Madaket Stables LLC and Wonder Stables	Brown	Ortiz	120
11	Blowout (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Prat	122
12	New York Girl (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)	R Unicorn Stable	Mott	Alvarado	118

Breeders: 1-Fullbury & Minch Bloodstock, 2-Joseph Imbesi, 3-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC, 4-Paul P Pompa, 5-Repole Stable, Inc., 6-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 7-Michael Niall, 8-Godolphin, 9-Roundhill Stud, 10-E.A.R.L. Elevage Du Sarai, 11-Dayton Investments Ltd, 12-P. F. Kelly & Peter Kelly

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 12:47 p.m. EDT

WOODY STEPHENS S. PRESENTED BY NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY-GI, $400,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Nova Rags	Union Rags	Michael P. Shanley	Mott	Alvarado	122
2	Drain the Clock	Maclean's Music	Slam Dunk Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables and Nentwig, Michael	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	124
3	Jackie's Warrior	Maclean's Music	Robison, J. Kirk and Judy	Asmussen	Rosario	124
4	Dream Shake	Twirling Candy	Exline-Border Racing LLC, Eurton, Peter, Hausman, Richard and Stonestreet Stables LLC	Eurton	Prat	118
5	Tulane Tryst	Into Mischief	David Ingordo	DeVaux	Saez	118
6	Caddo River	Hard Spun	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	Cox	Geroux	122

Breeders: 1-Michael Shanley, 2-Nick Cosato, 3-J & J Stables, 4-Dunwoody Farm, 5-Machmer Hall, 6-Shortleaf Stable

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 2:41 p.m. EDT

JACKPOCKET JAIPUR S.-GI, $400,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Chewing Gum	Candy Ride (Arg)	Wachtel Stable, Pantofel Stable and Zaro, Jerold L.	Mott	Ortiz	120
2	Casa Creed	Jimmy Creed	LRE Racing LLC and JEH Racing Stable LLC	Mott	Alvarado	120
3	Completed Pass	Pass Rush	Robert D. Bone	Gonzalez	Cruz	120
4	Fast Boat	City Zip	Brad Grady	Sharp	Ortiz, Jr.	124
5	Greyes Creek	Pioneerof the Nile	OXO Equine LLC	Lobo	Santana, Jr.	120
6	Bound for Nowhere	The Factor	Wesley A. Ward	Ward	Rosario	124
7	Secret Rules	Secret Circle	LRE Racing LLC and JEH Racing Stable LLC	Mott	Alvarado	120
8	Gregorian Chant (GB)	Gregorian (Ire)	Slam Dunk Racing, Molasky, Andrew, Nentwig, Michael	D'Amato	Saez	122
9	Oleksandra (Aus)	Animal Kingdom	Team Valor International, LLC	Drysdale	Bravo	119
10	Stubbins	Morning Line	McShane Racing, LLC	O'Neill	Castellano	120
11	Got Stormy	Get Stormy	My Racehorse Stable and Spendthrift Farm LLC	Casse	Gaffalione	117
12	Sombeyay	Into Mischief	Swifty Farms Inc.	Miller	Prat	120

Breeders: 1-Wertheimer et Frere, 2-Silver Springs Stud, LLC, 3-Swifty Farms, 4-R. S. Evans, 5-LNJ Foxwoods, 6-Wayne Lyster, Gray Lyster & Bryan Lyster, 7-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc., 8-Clarendon Farm, 9-Team Valor Pty Ltd, 10-Patrick Durtschi & Brittney Durtschi, 11-Mt. Joy Stables, Pope McLean, MarcMcLean & Pope McLean Jr., 12-J. D. Stuart & Mueller Farms, Inc.

Saturday, Belmont, post time: 1:22 p.m. EDT

BROOKLYN S. PRESENTED BY NORTHWELL HEALTH-GII, $400,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	You're to Blame	Distorted Humor	Flurry Racing Stables LLC	Moquett	Geroux	118
2	Ry's the Guy	Distorted Humor	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Wilkes	Ortiz	118
3	Campaign	Curlin	Woodford Racing, LLC	Sadler	Saez	118
4	Rocketry	Hard Spun	Centennial Farms	Jerkens	Rosario	122
5	Musical Heart	Maclean's Music	Dubb, Michael and Caruso, Michael J.	Atras	Carmouche	118
6	Moretti	Medaglia d'Oro	Repole Stable and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
7	Ajaaweed	Curlin	Shadwell Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	118
8	Tizamagician	Tiznow	My Racehorse Stable and Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Prat	120
9	Lone Rock	Majestic Warrior	Flying P Stable	Diodoro	Vazquez	118

Breeders: 1-Bryant H. Prentice III, 2-Tenth Street Stables, LLC, 3-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds, 4-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd., 5-Sovereign Farm & Hill 'N' Dale Farm, 6-Thor-Bred Stables, LLC, 7-Shadwell Farm, LLC., 8-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 9-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC &Pollock Farms

ALLOWANCES

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

8th-Indiana Grand, $32,500, Alw, 6-1, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:42.70, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

SHESA MYSTERY (f, 3, Verrazano--Mystery Itself {GSP, $165,806}, by Pulpit) didn't show much at first asking over the Turfway Tapeta in January, but improved markedly in a rained-off local heat May 10 to graduate by 4 3/4 lengths. Given a 7-2 chance while breaking from the rail here, the chestnut dueled and drew off a convincing 2 3/4-length victoress over Judy's Way (Bayern). Sales history: $25,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $38,332. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Let It Ride Stables; B-Sally Thomas & New Dawn Stable LLC (KY); T-Jeff A. Hiles.

MAIDENS

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Indiana Grand, $35,000, (S), Msw, 6-1, 2yo, 5f, 1:00.75, ft, 3/4 length.

COMPRESSED ENERGY (f, 2, Turbo Compressor--Sweetasnails, by Put It Back), backed down to 9-5 facing the boys with an unassuming and abbreviated worktab on display, dueled with and cleared favored stablemate Highcotton Justice (Harry's Holiday) on the turn. Seemingly in command entering the lane, she swapped leads when shifting in from the whip, but still found enough to hold on by 3/4 of a length. The winner, whose dam is a half to GSW and GISP Tightend Touchdown (Pure Precision), has a yearling half-sister by General a Rod and a foal half-sister by Holiday Promise. Sales history: $9,000 Ylg '20 INDMIX. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $21,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Southwest Racing Stables Inc. & Bruce Murphy; B-Dawn Martin (IN); T-Genaro Garcia.

2nd-Thistledown, $30,000, (S), Msw, 6-1, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53.64, ft, 1 length.

THEDAYOFTHEGREY (g, 2, Twinspired--Sharon's Way, by Proud Citizen), let go at 11-1 off of back-to-back bullet breezes from the gate at Belterra, flew to the front and stiff-armed odds-on Stalking Moon (Gormley) in the stretch to prevail by a length. The winner's dam was bred to Tale of Ekati last term. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $18,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

O-Robert C. Cline & Richard M. Wilkinson; B-Richard Wilkinson (OH); T-Robert C. Cline.

FIRST & SECOND-CROP RUNNERS

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

2021 Stud Fees Listed

Keen Ice (Curlin), Calumet Farm, $12,500
137 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Delaware, Msw 5f, Majestic Frontier, 10-1

Kobe's Back (Flatter), Bonita Farm, $3,000
18 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Delaware, Msw 5f, He Gone, 12-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

2021 Stud Fees Listed

Firing Line (Line of David), Crestwood Farm, $5,000
66 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Delaware, Msw 6f, Rex Kwon Do, 6-1
$60,000 KEE JAN wnl; $110,000 FTK JUL yrl; $50,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Uncle Lino (Uncle Mo), Northview Stallion Station, $4,000
132 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Parx Racing, Msw 6f, Chronology, 6-1
5-Delaware, Msw 5fT, Gale Winds, 3-1
$12,000 EAS OCT yrl

ADDITIONAL RACING

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Parx Racing, $45,750, 6-1, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:43.71, ft, head.

SHOOGER RAY TOO (g, 4, Wicked Strong--Caftan, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-2, $78,670. O-Vintage Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Haymarket Farm LLC (KY); T-J. Tyler Servis. *$50,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; $95,000 RNA 2yo '19 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Awesome Boss (Street Boss), GSP, $136,440.

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7th-Indiana Grand, $40,300, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($18,000), 6-1, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35.41, fm, 2 1/4 lengths.

BLOODY MARY MORNIN (m, 6, Go Lionel Go--Lucy Whitesocks, by Lac Ouimet) Lifetime Record: 28-6-9-4, $189,063. O/T-Randy Matthews; B-Randall Daniel Matthews (IN).

2nd-Finger Lakes, $25,300, 6-1, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.39, ft, 1/2 length.

MIND OF GOLD (f, 4, Tale of Ekati--Bitter Gold, by Midas Eyes) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-2, $70,570. O-Roddy J. Valente, Richard Alfred & Michael Nicholas; B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart. *$30,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; $20,000 RNA Ylg '18 SARAUG.

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3rd-Louisiana Downs, $24,000, (S), 6-1, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.58, gd, 4 1/2 lengths.

SLITHER (g, 4, Custom for Carlos--K. R.'s Jazz {SP}, by Concerto) Lifetime Record: 18-3-4-2, $90,610. O/B-Gulf Haven Farms, LLC (LA); T-Ronnie P. Ward.

7th-Finger Lakes, $23,850, 6-1, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07.25, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

GREEK SONNET (f, 3, Kantharos--Minnelli, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $20,105. O-Wayne E. Sparling; B-T & G Farm of Kentucky LLC (KY); T-Wayne E. Sparling. *$72,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; $15,000 2yo '20 EASMAY.

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1st-Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, $21,000, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm ($10,000), 6-1, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.14, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

MKAR THE FAST (g, 3, Verrazano--Tiber, by Roman Ruler) Lifetime Record: 13-2-4-2, $67,725. O/T-Harry E. Lynch; B-Michael Reavis & Frank Mancari (IL).

4th-Hastings Racecourse, C$18,800, 5-31, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.29, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

MISS PROSPECTOR (f, 4, Harbor the Gold--Clever Bird, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-1, $52,670. O-North American Thoroughbred Horse Company; B-Bret Christopherson (WA); T-Glen Todd. *$30,000 Ylg '18 WASSEP.

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Harbor the Gold, Miss Prospector, f, 4, o/o Clever Bird, by Awesome Again. ALW, 5-31, Hastings
Kantharos, Greek Sonnet, f, 3, o/o Minnelli, by Unbridled's Song. ALW, 6-1, Finger Lakes
Tale of Ekati, Mind of Gold, f, 4, o/o Bitter Gold, by Midas Eyes. ALW, 6-1, Finger Lakes
Turbo Compressor, Compressed Energy, f, 2, o/o Sweetasnails, by Put It Back. MSW, 6-1, Indiana Grand
Twinspired, Thedayofthegrey, g, 2, o/o Sharon's Way, by Proud Citizen. MSW, 6-1, Thistledown
Verrazano, Mkar the Fast, g, 3, o/o Tiber, by Roman Ruler. AOC, 6-1, Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing
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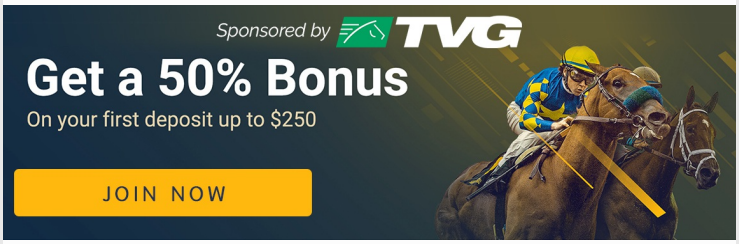

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THE DERBY APPROACH

Mac Swiney on the morning after his Irish 2000 Guineas victory
Courtesy of Jim Bolger

By Emma Berry

There are stallions with far bigger reputations who will never achieve what **New Approach (Ire)** has in his stud career. Yet somehow the horse who was champion 2-year-old, became the first Derby winner for Galileo (Ire), and was the joint-highest rated horse in the world in 2008 remains somewhat under-appreciated. It is all the more remarkable––and disappointing––given the hugely promising start made by New Approach early in his tenure at Dalham Hall Stud.

Sit through any breeze-up sale and you will regularly hear the auctioneer espousing the Royal Ascot potential of the 2-year-old in the ring before him. At the Royal Meeting of 2012, New Approach set a new freshman sire benchmark when being represented by three stakes-winning members of his first crop: Dawn Approach (Ire) (G2 Coventry S.), Newfangled (G3 Albany S.) and Tha'Ir (Ire) (Listed Chesham S.). Indeed, Dawn Approach had won his first race before the main breeze-up sales had even been staged that year, and he collected another two wins before his Ascot success. He would remain unbeaten as a juvenile, emulating his sire by gathering the G1 Vincent O'Brien National S. and G1 Darley Dewhurst S. before withdrawing to his winter quarters. **Cont. p2**

NOON STAR OUT OF CAZOO OAKS AS FIELD TAKES SHAPE

Juddmonte homebred **Noon Star** (Galileo {Ire}) has had a "temporary setback" and will not run in the G1 Cazoo Oaks on the first day of the Cazoo Derby Festival, trainer Sir Michael Stoute announced on Tuesday.

"Noon Star will not now be running in the Cazoo Oaks on Friday, due to a blood disorder," Stoute said in a statement.

Third on debut at Salisbury on Sept. 3, the Sir Michael Stoute-trained bay graduated in a Nottingham maiden on Oct. 14 and was put away for the season. She made her 3-year-old bow with a 2 1/2-length win at Wetherby on Apr. 25 and was last seen finishing second in the G3 Tattersalls Musidora S. at York on May 12.

Added Juddmonte Racing Manager Teddy Grimthorpe, "This filly has had a temporary setback so [she] will not run in the Cazoo Oaks on Friday," he said. "All being well, she could head to the G2 Ribblesdale S. at Royal Ascot." **Cont. p4**

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

ESSENTIAL QUALITY DRAWS POST TWO IN BELMONT

Essential Quality (Tapit) will leave from stall two in the GI Belmont S. on Saturday. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.**

Jim Bolger and New Approach after winning the Dewhurst
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The Derby Approach Cont. from p1

That early star also became New Approach's first Classic winner, gaining revenge for his father's nose defeat by Henrythenavigator in the 2000 Guineas at Newmarket with his own decisive five-length victory on his 3-year-old debut. Come Epsom, Dawn Approach blew any chance he might have had of seeing out the Derby distance by pulling so hard he was almost fly-leaping, but New Approach had other irons in the fire, and a day earlier he had notched a second Classic winner from his debut crop when Talent (GB) won the Oaks. Dawn Approach duly finished last of the 12-runner Derby field, eased down when it was clear his chance had gone, but New Approach's other son in the race, the long-striding Libertarian (GB), flew home from an unpromising position to finish runner-up to Ruler Of The World (Ire), Galileo's second Derby winner.

Bred by the Burns family of Lodge Park Stud, New Approach is of course as much synonymous with Jim Bolger. The trainer had already masterminded the career of his dam, the G1 Irish Champion S winner Park Express (Ire) (Ahonoora {GB}), for Paddy Burns. He also trained her daughters Dazzling Park (Ire) (Warning {GB}), who was runner-up to Daylami (Ire) in the Irish Champion S., and the listed-placed Alluring Park (Ire) (Green Desert), who has gone on to produce the Oaks winner Was (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), as well as her full-brother and last year's Derby third Amhran Na Bhfiann (Ire).

Park Express's son by Galileo would not, therefore, have been too much of a hard sell to Bolger, who recalls the first time her set eyes on New Approach at Lodge Park Stud.

"He was trotting around with his dam with a bell on her neck because the dam had gone blind," he says.

"And we suspect that's maybe where he got the problem of swinging his head and looking around him. It could have had something to do with that."

It's rare on these shores to see a horse ponied to the start of a race, as New Approach was for the Guineas and the Derby. The distance of a nose prevented him from being the winner of both of those races, and his imperious track-record-breaking win back at Newmarket for the Champion S. sealed his position on equal footing with Curlin at the head of the world rankings. A certain flightiness was a small price to pay for such obvious talent.

New Approach's stud career has not been plain sailing owing largely to the fact that he is a rig. Despite the fact that logic should dictate that something being in short supply should therefore increase its value, this is frequently not borne out in Thoroughbred sales rings. In New Approach's 12 Northern Hemisphere stud seasons to date, he has had four crops of foals in three figures, but only just, with the 104 born in his second crop being the largest.

"I suppose a stallion's reputation is very, very hard-earned," says Bolger. "The ones who are the most attractive are the ones who get the sprinter-milers because that leaves a lot of people happy––it leaves the commercial breeders very happy and it leaves the new owner happy. There are fewer people whose targets are the Classics so there's reduced patronage there then right away as the pool of buyers is smaller."

As the breeder of Dawn Approach and the 2000 Guineas winners in Britain and Ireland this year, **Poetic Flare (Ire)** and **Mac Swiney (Ire)**, respectively sons of Dawn Approach and New Approach, Bolger has done more than most to demonstrate that this sireline is far from just a one-dimensional source of later-maturing middle-distance horses. **Cont. p3**

2020 G1 2000 Guineas winner Poetic Flare | *Courtesy of Jim Bolger*

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HEDGE STRIKES FOR SNITZEL YEARLING

Suman Hedge purchased a Snitzel (Aus) yearling colt to top the first dam of Magics. **Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Aus/NZ.**

New Approach | *Darley*

The Derby Approach Cont.

"New Approach did get a Coventry winner in his first crop, so that should have helped, but for whatever reason it didn't, and then of course Dawn Approach went on to win the Guineas and the St James's Palace the following year but I don't think that worked any miracles either," Bolger adds.

Sam Bullard, Darley's director of stallions, says, "His being a rig, and therefore his limited size of books, is undoubtedly a hindrance, so the commercial aspect is always difficult.

"His fee is listed as private because we would rather have the opportunity to discuss it with breeders, and look at the mare's breeding record, and we can then say 'he's £30,000 but let's look at the best way to help both sides'."

Certainly his compromised fertility has not helped his case, but New Approach did get his Derby winner in 2018 when Masar (Ire), inbred to Ahonoora and a certain Urban Sea, gave Sheikh Mohammed a long-awaited success in the Godolphin blue. The following year his grandson Madhmoon (Ire) was second to Anthony Van Dyck (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

Madhmoon's sire Dawn Approach was not represented by his first Classic winner until this year, following his return to his birthplace of Bolger's Redmondstown Stud after standing seven seasons at Kildangan.

"He will probably cover about 50 mares this year so that could resurrect his career, and Poetic Flare has done much for him as well so hopefully there will be more to come," says Bolger.

Meanwhile Masar, who had the speed and precocity to beat subsequent crack sprinter Invincible Army (Ire) on debut over six furlongs in the May of his juvenile season, is now in his second season alongside his sire at Dalham Hall.

"Masar has everything going for him," Bullard says. "He sold himself when people came to see him last year because I think they expected him to be a bit of an 'on-the-leg' New Approach, and he's not. And his 2-year-old form actually mattered more, sadly, than some of his middle-distance form." **Cont. p4**

The Derby Approach Cont.

He adds, "We stood him at £15,000 because that was a price at which they had to come and look at him. You can't not look at a Derby winner with a pedigree like his. He was full in year one with 140 mares and this year he is nicely through 100 again."

It falls now to Poetic Flare, Mac Swiney and their creator Jim Bolger to continue to remind his fellow breeders of the potential of this branch of Galileo's ever-expanding sireline. They have a 2000 Guineas apiece, and colts have retired to stud with less impressive credentials than that, but one senses neither they nor their trainer are finished yet. Bolger is now setting his colts on diverging paths following their wafer-thin split when first and second in the Irish 2000 Guineas. We hope to see Poetic Flare at Ascot, aiming to emulate his sire in the St James's Palace S., while the likeably tenacious Mac Swiney will bid to do the same for New Approach at Epsom on Saturday.

Bolger is upbeat when appraising Mac Swiney's recovery from his exertions on The Curragh just two weeks ahead of the Cazoo Derby. He says, "He's very well and as fresh as paint today so hopefully we will get him there in that form. He doesn't have any more work to do now, he's just exercising."

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> Jim Bolger on Mac Swiney

Casting his mind back to the Irish 2000 Guineas, he continues, "I wasn't surprised that they were first and second but I wasn't convinced that it would be in that order. It was nice to watch for the last furlong. I did make one mistake because I meant to tell Kevin [Manning] and Rory [Cleary] that there were to be no whips if they had the race won. I had intended telling them and I forgot to do it, but they are both very hardy horses and they are none the worse."

Bolger adds, "They have never galloped together [at home] but we have always held the two of them in high regard and we knew that there was never very much between them, except that when Poetic Flare eventually blossomed into what he is now he was much more muscled up and he looks stronger than Mac Swiney. But Mac Swiney is deceptive strength-wise. He's compact but he's very strong also, but he doesn't show the same strength as Poetic Flare."

Epsom's topography presents its own unique challenge, but the trainer feels that it is one Mac Swiney will be able to rise to, even as the ground dries out on the Downs.

"For me he would seem to be the ideal candidate," says Bolger. "He's a lovely horse with a lovely attitude. I think he'll be fine [at Epsom]. He takes everything in his stride. He's very well balanced and he goes downhill here at home the same as he comes up it."

A number of trainer/breeders have enhanced the Derby's rich history which is closing in on 250 years. The 1908 victory for the filly Signorinetta (GB) two days before she successfully backed up in the Oaks for the romantically inclined Cavaliere Edoardo Ginistrelli is one such fantastic fable, while Arthur Budgett remains a personal racing hero for his training of the homebred Derby-winning half-brothers Blakeney (GB) and Morston (GB).

For the depth of his connection to Mac Swiney, who boasts three individual Derby winners in his first three generations and was the first Group 1 winner to be inbred to Galileo, Jim Bolger would surely enter Derby folklore if the son of New Approach out of a mare by another former stable star, Teofilo (Ire), is to secure the third Classic of the season for his team at Coolcullen.

In his 79 years, Bolger has seen enough of the sport's twisting fortunes to not get too carried away by sentiment even as the Derby is now just days away and when he is likely to be represented by two runners as a breeder. The Mark Johnston-trained **Gear Up (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}), winner of the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud, is also a Redmondstown Stud graduate.

He does, however, allow himself to appreciate being in what is an unusual position for most breeders by having played as significant a role in the careers of the sires involved as he did for their female families of his proteges.

He says, "To have horses like those two, no matter what they were by, is a great sense of satisfaction, but for them to be by the stallions that we've been so close to down the years adds to that enjoyment."

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Noon Star Out of Oaks as Field Takes Shape Cont. from p1

Aidan O'Brien Quintet Sitting On Go

Aidan O'Brien still has five fillies in Friday's feature race, however, including ante-post favourite **Santa Barbara (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}). **Cont. p5**

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Noon Star Out of Oaks as Field Takes Shape Cont.

The daughter of Senta's Dream (GB) (Danehill) won her maiden impressively at The Curragh on Sept. 26 and was a solid fourth in the G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas on May 2.

"Santa Barbara is very well and this was always pencilled in to be her second run this year," said O'Brien. "We were delighted with her run in the Guineas and everything has gone well with her since. That was a big ask for her. She passed every test we put in front of her with flying colours and probably to ask for any other result wouldn't have been right.

"We were always going to go into the Oaks not knowing if she stays a mile and a half--I suppose we're going to find that out. She's by Camelot, which is a big help, and we know she's got a lot of class.

"She's only had the two runs, which is not a lot going into the Oaks, but we're excited and looking forward to seeing her run."

Another Coolmore partners/O'Brien filly is the upwardly mobile **Snowfall (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}). The February-foaled bay already has eight starts under her belt and was an impressive winner of the G3 Tattersalls Musidora S. at York on May 12.

"We were delighted with her [Snowfall] in York and she's come out of that very well. We think maybe going up in trip on better ground and maybe having a year under her belt to get stronger has all been a help to her," O'Brien said. "She's always been a very good home worker and always worked like a filly that had loads of class."

Rounding out the fivesome is G3 Kilcarn Stud Flame Of Tara Irish EBF S. heroine **Divinely (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), the SP **La Joconde (Ire)** (Frankel {GB}) and **Willow (Ire)** (American Pharoah), who broke her maiden at Leopardstown in October and was third in the G3 Irish Stallion Farms EBF Blue Wind S. at Naas on May 8.

"We always liked Divinely a lot," O'Brien added. "She's a sister to Found who won a Group 3 last year and has had the one run in Lingfield this year. Ryan said he was delighted with the run. He said they went very slow and that didn't suit her, but he was really happy with her.

"Her homework has been very nice since and all her figures from her works have been coming out very high-- that's usually a very good sign. La Joconde is another filly we always thought more of than she showed. We think there's plenty to come from her--she's a very solid filly and we think that she has loads of quality.

"Willow is out of Peeping Fawn and has progressed with every run and will progress more. She'll love the trip and if there is any ease in the ground, that won't bother her. Physically she's done very well as well. We just think and feel that they're all bred to be Oaks fillies and it might be very wrong to stop them from taking their chance."

Smooth Sailing For Ocean Road

Qatar Racing's **Ocean Road (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) is in fine fettle prior to a start in the G1 Cazoo Oaks on Friday. The Hugo Palmer-trained filly was second in a Nottingham maiden race, before saluting over the Lingfield all-weather on Dec. 2. Her latest start was a third in the Listed Novibet Oaks Trial Fillies' S. at Lingfield on May 8.

"We're all systems go for Epsom on Friday," Palmer said of his filly, one of 15 left in at this stage. "Oisin [Murphy] sat on her this morning and did a little bit of stalls work with her. She was too slowly away at Lingfield and ended up sitting last, it was all a bit of a mess on ground that was too soft for her.

"We've always seen her as a good-moving filly that should be better on the top of the ground. We just felt that on debut at Nottingham she got away with the ground, she wanted a bit quicker but she handles it, and the same also when she ran at Lingfield." **Cont. p6**

Ocean Road | *The Jockey Club*

Noon Star Out of Oaks as Field Takes Shape Cont.

He added, "She ended up on the worst bit of the track as well. She's got a great turn of foot and loads of speed and we feel that the ground blunts her speed. We're very hopeful that we will see her to much better effect on top of the ground."

Palmer added, "She's going to have to show considerable improvement on what she's done to date to win the Oaks, but I believe she has improved a huge amount at home. As we see year in, year out, these fillies can improve 20lb from one run to the next. My two best fillies that I've had prior to this were Covert Love (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}) and Architecture (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}), over this trip, and they improved massively from this time of year.

"It can happen, but we're obviously very conscious about the fact that it has to."

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O'BRIEN'S CAZOO DERBY TEAM BEING FINALISED

The G1 Cazoo Derby field is currently at 19, with as many as six Aidan O'Brien colts set to compete, including the ante-post favourite dual Group 3 winner **Bolshoi Ballet (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and G2 Beresford S. hero and G2 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai Dante S. third **High Definition (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who was the Derby favourite over the winter. French Group 1 winner **Van Gogh** (American Pharoah), third in the G1 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas is possible, although he is also one of 20 left in the G1 Qatar Prix du Jockey Club. O'Brien also has two-time winners **Sir Lamorak (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}) and **Kyprios (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and the Leopardstown winner **The Mediterranean (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). However, a final call on which Ballydoyle horses will step forward in the Blue Riband will be made on Wednesday.

"It's not definite yet what we're sending," said the master of Ballydoyle. "They've all done their last piece of work this morning and that is being analysed at the moment.

"When the figures come back from all those works, they'll be sent to the lads [owners] this evening. They'll be blooded and scoped in the morning and we'll have the results of that at lunchtime tomorrow or a little bit later. After that we'll see what the lads want to do.

"Obviously with Bolshoi Ballet, this has been his target all the way. High Definition the same, but he didn't have a clear passage obviously to York. Kyprios and Sir Lamorak both have other options, The Mediterranean is in at Leopardstown on Thursday and Van Gogh has an option of going to France [for the French Derby on Sunday]. Everything went well this morning and it's so far so good with them."

Aidan O'Brien | *Scoop Dyga*

"I think it's very competitive.," O'Brien said of this year's Derby entries. "There's horses that have come from different trials over different trips and I think they all have to be respected.

"For me, there is no doubt the Derby is the most important race of all. The whole thoroughbred breed is measured by the Derby--because it's the most gruelling race and tough on horses."

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LOVE OUT OF CORONATION CUP, WILL WAIT FOR ROYAL ASCOT

Dual Classic heroine **Love (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) will no longer take part in the G1 Coral Coronation Cup at Epsom Downs on June 4, according to trainer Aidan O'Brien. A winner of the G1 1000 Guineas, G1 Oaks and G1 Yorkshire Oaks, the blaze-faced chestnut has been benched since August as her intended targets keep having unsuitable ground on the day. She will instead point to the G1 Prince Of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot later this month, as she has not made her seasonal bow yet.

"Everything is good with Love," said O'Brien. "She's wintered well and has been ready to run for a while now. There were some Group 3s at The Curragh and places like that we would have liked to start her off in, but the ground was bad so we didn't, which is why **Broome (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) filled those slots in.

"She's ready to go. We could have ended up in the Coronation if we'd had a run, but we didn't, so we're thinking about Ascot with her for the Prince of Wales's. She did a half-speed this morning and looked very happy in herself, so we're very happy.

"She should be nice and fresh for the second half of the year. The Arc has always been on her radar, but in an ideal world I don't think we'd like to run her in bad ground, so it would depend on the weather at the time of the year." **Cont. p7**

Japan will start in the Coral Coronation Cup | *Scoop Dyga*

Love Out of Coronation Cup Cont.

Despite the absence of the filly, O'Brien will still have the Galileo (Ire) full-brothers and MG1SWs **Japan (GB)**, who won the G1 Grand Prix de Paris in 2019 and 2020 Grand Prix de Paris victor **Mogul (GB)** in the Coronation Cup. The former saluted in the G3 Ormonde S. at Chester on May 6.

"We're very happy with Japan," added O'Brien. "We started him short [over a mile and a quarter] last year and we think maybe it was too much pressure on him too early and his season kind of fell to bits after that.

"We decided to start over longer this year. Ryan [Moore] thought it would suit him and the trip would help him get happy and relaxed and enjoy it, and we were delighted with his run in Chester. We think he's progressed from the run. Mentally and physically we think he's in a very good place."

"At the moment we're thinking of running the two brothers," O'Brien added. "I spoke to Ryan this morning and I'm not sure which he's going to ride--he mightn't be sure even himself yet."

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WATERING TO CONTINUE AT EPSOM

Epsom Downs will receive more water on Wednesday morning, the racecourse announced on Tuesday. Epsom Downs Clerk of the Course and Head of Racing Andrew Cooper issued a going update on Tuesday evening in advance of the June 4-5 Cazoo Derby Festival.

"We've maintained a going report here of Good, Good To Firm in places and we produced a Turftrax GoingStick reading of 7.1, which is actually what it was on Sunday morning," said Cooper in a statement.

"It had increased to 7.4 yesterday morning and the watering that we've done has improved matters a touch and brought us back to a stage where we were two days ago--which is historically pretty much good ground. However there is definitely ground that's on the quicker side on bits of the course though, hence that going description.

"We've had another hot day and it looks a hotter day still tomorrow, with talks of 26 or 27 degrees in the South East. Epsom is often a degree or so lower than the maximum because we're quite elevated here and often have a bit of a breeze so it would often be hotter at Sandown than here in terms of actual temperature.

"The plan here and now is to embark on a watering programme again tomorrow but quite exactly how much we'll leave until the morning. We'll take stock of the forecasts but I'm sure we'll be doing something quite widespread because we know we'll lose 3mm of moisture of soil here on a day like today.

"I'd say that we are now where we want to be in terms of a broad aim for Friday--as opposed to anything any slower or anything any quicker. That's quite a good ground condition to go into a two-day meeting on, which means you can probably let nature take its course thereafter and be no worse than Good To Firm on Saturday.

"You'd have called us Soft on Monday of last week but by Friday you wouldn't have called it any slower than Good To Soft. All courses up and down the country are drying out at the moment but Epsom Downs being chalk-based is rather free draining and it can turn very quickly."

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LAURENS IN FOAL TO KINGMAN

Six-time Group 1 winner **Laurens (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}) has been pronounced in foal to Kingman (GB), owner Dance Thoroughbreds announced via Twitter on Tuesday evening. The mare produced an Invincible Spirit (Ire) colt in 2021 (*Click here for a video)* and was covered by the Irish National Stud resident's son later this spring. It was announced last January that Laurens would visit the Irish National Stud stalwart, having been originally penciled in for Coolmore Stud's No Nay Never.

"We are delighted to announce that Laurens is in foal to Kingman," Dance Thoroughbreds tweeted on Tuesday evening. "Scanned at 28 days last week."

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Laurens | *Scoop Dyga*

£3 MILLION PLUS PRIZE MONEY BOOST AT THE JOCKEY CLUB RACECOURSES

A prize money boost of over £3 million at The Jockey Club racecourses for the remainder of 2021 was announced on Tuesday.

This purse increase brings prize money to within 9% of pre-pandemic levels. Total prize money will exceed £42 million this year at all levels of the sport for the 15 racecourses operated by The Jockey Club. This amount is prior to additional funding from the industry's Appearance Money Scheme (AMS). These prize money increases are effective immediately, with the Cazoo Derby Festival gaining £65,000 and a £135,000 boost to Coral-Eclipse Day.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, The Jockey Club distributed only £30.5 million in prize money and racing was halted from mid-March until June. As The Jockey Club generates nearly 50% of its revenues from spectators and another 10% by staging conferences and similar types of events and neither of these were possible during the COVID-19 pandemic, The Jockey Club sustained an overall loss of £90 million. This trend continues into 2021. Pre-covid, The Jockey Club managed to increase its contribution to prize money by over 103% in the last decade to £26.4 million.

"One of our imperatives since the start of the pandemic has been to keep prize money values under constant review," said The Jockey Club Chief Executive Nevin Truesdale. "The financial impact of coronavirus has been very significant indeed and it will take some time yet to recover. However, with some positive indicators around funding and with spectators starting to return, albeit in heavily restricted numbers at this point, we wanted to move quickly to announce this prize money increase.

"The biggest issue aside from losing so much of our revenue has been the constant uncertainty. If you could guarantee after the second lockdown that things would return permanently to normal, we would have been able to plan investments accordingly, but here we are well over a year into the pandemic and we are only just starting to welcome some racegoers back. Therefore, we continue to have to play the situation as it comes and ensure we would remain solvent if another lockdown occurred.

"I'd like to thank participants for the huge amount of patience they've shown and reassure them that The Jockey Club always treats prize money as an absolute priority, as I hope our track record and this announcement leaves no doubt about. We aim to get our prize money contributions fully back to pre-pandemic levels as soon as we realistically can."

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MARQUAND TO BE SPONSORED BY RASHID EQUESTRIAN & HORSERACING CLUB

Tom Marquand will be sponsored by the Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, the organisation announced on Twitter. Marquand booted home Galileo Chrome (Ire) (Australia {GB}) to win the 2020 G1 St Leger and he has also enjoyed international success in Australia with MG1SW Addeybb (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) among others.

"We are delighted to announce the sponsorship of Classic-winning jockey Tom Marquand," the REHC tweeted. "Tom will be providing exclusive content and interviews on the Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club social channels."

Added Marquand in a tweet, "I am delighted to be sponsored by the Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club for the 2021 season."

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WOMEN JOCKEYS' WORLD CUP CANCELLED FOR SECOND YEAR

The Women Jockey's World Cup has been cancelled for the second year running due to continuing COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Started at Bro Park in Stockholm, Sweden in 2017, the event is traditionally staged in June and has seen riders from 12 countries compete during the first three editions.

Dennis Madsen Svensk Galopp's Director of Racing said, "It is very frustrating to have to cancel the Women Jockeys' World Cup for a second year running.

"The international nature of the event requires early planning and even with the concessions that are made for international sports, uncertainty around quarantine rules for jockeys returning home from Sweden forced our decision.

"We remain committed to creating high profile opportunities for top female riders and hope to return the event in 2022. Racing in Sweden continues to grow in popularity, and we recently announced a record entry for the Swedish Derby and Oaks series. The Women Jockeys' World Cup is our most popular international event and we look forward to reinstating it at the earliest opportunity."

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Nanako Fujita won the event in 2019 | *Horsephotos*

BOOKMAKERS WILL DONATE PROFITS FROM BRITANNIA S. TO CHARITY

Several bookmakers will donate their profits from the Britannia S. at Royal Ascot to various charities for the second year in a row. The following Betting and Gaming Council Members have all signed on:

- Flutter, which included Paddy Power, Betfair & Sky Bet
- bet365
- Entain which is Ladbrokes and Coral
- William Hill
- Kindred (Unibet)
- BetVictor
- Betway
- Rank Group (Grosvenor Sport)
- the Tote
- Fitzdares

In 2020, £250,000 was raised. This year the chartities that stand to benefit are: Prostate Cancer UK, Marie Curie, Care Radio and the three Armed Forces charities. In addition, the operators have agreed to make a donation to the charities even if they do not profit from the race.

Michael Dugher, chief executive of the BGC, said, "I am absolutely delighted that the BGC's largest members are once again leading this fantastic initiative, which will raise vital funds for some of the country's top charities.

"Racing is a sport that has the power to bring people together, and Royal Ascot is one of the great highlights of the calendar. Millions of people enjoy a flutter, and I'm proud that betting companies will donate their profits from one of Royal Ascot's top races to go towards some brilliant causes that will help so many people from across the country."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, June 2, 2021:
UNITED KINGDOM

Caravaggio (Scat Daddy), Ashford Stud
154 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
13:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Artemisia Gentile (Ire)
€40,000 Goffs November Foals Sale 2019; 42,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale 2021
13:13-AYR, 6f, Monsieur Jumbo (Fr)
£85,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2020

Cotai Glory (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), Tally-Ho Stud
126 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
13:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Cotai Beauty (Ire)
£95,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2021

Decorated Knight (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), Irish National Stud
45 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
13:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Lady Fantasia (GB)

Profitable (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
130 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
17:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, Golden Romance (Ire)
13:00-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Income (Ire)
32,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2020

Churchill has a runner at The Curragh on Wednesday | *Coolmore*

IRELAND

Caravaggio (Scat Daddy), Ashford Stud
154 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
1-CURRAGH, 7f, Canters Well (Ire)
2-CURRAGH, 6f, Elliptic (Ire)
1-CURRAGH, 7f, Geodesic (Ire)
1-CURRAGH, 7f, National Gallery (Ire)
250,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; 190,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2020
2-CURRAGH, 6f, Rapidus (Ire)
150,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2019; 180,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2020

Churchill (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
146 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-CURRAGH, 7f, Unconquerable (Ire)
210,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2020

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BROTHER TO BROOME UNVEILED AT THE CURRAGH

4.30 Curragh, Mdn, €16,500, 2yo, c/g, 7fT
POINT LONSDALE (IRE) (Australia {GB}) is a full-brother to the current Ballydoyle stalwart Broome (Ire) who cost 575,000gns at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1. Described as a sharper type than that multiple group winner by Aidan O'Brien, the March-foaled bay is introduced in the maiden won by Lope Y Fernandez (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) two years ago.

5.00 Curragh, Cond, €22,000, 2yo, 6fT
ELLIPTIC (IRE) (Caravaggio) impressed when beating the subsequent Group 3-placed Quick Suzy (Ire) (Profitable {Ire}) on her debut at Tipperary in April and gets the chance to cement her claims for Royal Ascot having missed the Listed First Flier S. here last month. Donnacha O'Brien saddles his mother's homebred, who due to her five-pound penalty races on the same terms as the unraced colts **Rapidus (Ire) (Caravaggio)**, Ballydoyle's half-brother to the G2 Richmond S.-winning sire Harbour Watch (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), and **Dr Zempf (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire})**, the Peter Brant-Ger Lyons project who is a 420,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate and son of the G3 Prix Eclipse winner Souvenir Delondres (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}).

7.40 Curragh, Mdn, €12,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 12fT
ESPANIA (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) is the €3-million Goffs Orby topper who debuts for Ballydoyle in the Westerberg silks. An April foal, the bay is a full-sister to the G1 Epsom Oaks heroine Forever Together (Ire) and the G1 Fillies' Mile winner Together Forever (Ire) and a half to the G1 Prix Jean Prat-winning sire Lord Shanakill (Speightstown).

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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:
1st-Leicester, £7,900, Nov, 6-1, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.13, g/f.
ERNIE'S VALENTINE (GB) (c, 2, Havana Gold {Ire}--Eastern Destiny {GB}, by Dubai Destination) broke well and raced in a close-up third through the early fractions of this debut. Coming under pressure to launch his challenge passing the quarter-mile marker, the 11-2 chance gained a narrow advantage entering the final furlong and was ridden out to deny Wings of War (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) by 3/4-of-a-length. He is the latest of five foals and fourth scorer produced by a multiple-winning half-sister to MGSP Listed Ballymacoll Stud S. victrix Rosa Grace (GB) (Lomitas {GB}) and Listed Eternal S. runner-up Secret Night (GB) (Dansili {GB}). The April-foaled grey is a half-brother to the stakes-placed duo Montatham (GB) (Showcasing {GB}) and Troubador (Ire) (Poet's Voice {GB}). Sales history: 38,000gns Ylg '20 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $6,063.
1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Williams, Campbell, Sennett & Cole; B-Worksop Manor Stud (GB); T-Paul & Oliver Cole.

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2nd-Leicester, £7,900, Mdn, 6-1, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.27, g/f.
DHABAB (IRE) (c, 2, No Nay Never--Habbat Reeh {Ire}, by Mastercraftsman {Ire}) was positioned off the pace towards the rear after the initial shuffling in this first go. Coaxed closer from halfway, the 10-3 favourite was stoked up to challenge with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and ridden out late to assert by an ultimately comfortable two lengths from Sweeping (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}). Triple Time (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), kin to G1 Cazoo Derby contender Third Realm (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}), was slowly into stride and ran on well in the closing stages to finish third. Half-brother to a yearling filly by Gleneagles (Ire), Dhabab is the first of two foals out of an unraced half to MSW G3 Grosser Preis der Landeshauptstadt Dusseldorf runner-up Boomshackerlacker (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Sales history: £200,000 2yo '21 GOFTY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $6,063.
1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Poseidon Thoroughbred Racing; B-Al Shira'aa Farms SARL (IRE); T-John & Thady Gosden.

3rd-Redcar, £5,800, Mdn, 6-1, 2yo, f, 5f 217yT, 1:11.77, gd.
ROCK MELODY (IRE) (f, 2, Fascinating Rock {Ire}--Legal Lyric {Ire}, by Lawman {Fr}) tracked the leaders under restraint in a handy fifth after an alert getaway in this unveiling. Looming large passing the two pole, the 16-1 chance was ridden to the front soon after and quickened clear inside the final furlong to prevail by an impressive 3 3/4 lengths from Almohandesah (GB) (Postponed {Ire}). She is the fifth of six foals and becomes the third scorer out of a dual-winning half-sister to MGSW G2 Euro-Cup victor Fight Club (Ger) (Lavirco {Ger}) and G3 Albert von Metzler winner Flambo (Ger) (Platini {Ger}). The April-foaled bay is full to a yearling colt. Sales history: £15,000 Ylg '20 GOFSPT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $4,451.
1ST-TIME STARTER. O-The Across The Pond Partnership; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-Kevin Philippart De Foy.

4th-Redcar, £5,800, Mdn, 6-1, 2yo, f, 5f 217yT, 1:11.84, gd.
EL MAGA (IRE) (f, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Bougainvilia {Ire}, by Bahamian Bounty {GB}) broke in the second rank and chased the leaders in fifth from the outset of this first go. Rowed along passing halfway, the 17-2 chance angled away from the far-side rail for her bid approaching the eighth pole and was ridden out late to deny Burning Emotion (GB) (Mondialiste {Ire}) by a head in a bobbing finish. She is the latest of three reported foals and becomes the second scorer produced by a winning half-sister to G3 Keihan Kai placegetter Ittetsu (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and G2 Queen Mary S. heroine Langs Lash (Ire) (Noverre), herself the dam of Listed El Gran Senor S. victor Waipu Cove (GB) (Equiano {Fr}). Sales history: £13,000 RNA Ylg '20 GOFSPT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $4,451.
1ST-TIME STARTER. O-SYPS (UK) Ltd; B-Tally-Ho Stud (IRE); T-Phillip Makin.

3rd-Great Yarmouth, £5,600, Mdn, 6-1, 3yo/up, 5f 42yT, 1:01.03, g/f.
CLARENDON HOUSE (GB) (c, 3, Mehmas {Ire}--Walaaa {Ire}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), sent off at 100-30, raced freely initially under restraint tracking the leader World of Windhover (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}). Tanking past that rival before halfway, the bay drew away to put 4 3/4 lengths between them. The dam, who also has the unraced 2-year-old colt Dinamic War (GB) (Time Test {GB}), is a half to the listed-placed Wise Words (GB) (Sepoy {Aus}) from the family of the triple Group 1-winning sire Kutub (Ire) (In the Wings {GB}). Sales history: 16,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; £14,000 Ylg '19 GOFFPR; 130,000gns 2yo '20 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $4,298. **Video, sponsored by TVG**.
O-Middleham Park Racing VIII; B-D R Tucker (GB); T-Robert Cowell.

5th-Lingfield, £5,300, Mdn, 6-1, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:24.65, g/f.
AMMOLITE (IRE) (f, 2, Profitable {Ire}--Romie's Kastett {Ger}, by Halling), a 10-1 shot on this debut, was professional from the outset tracking the leaders against the rail. Delivering a surge late on, the chestnut swamped Mezzanotte (Ire) (Decorated Knight {GB}) in the last 50 yards en route to registering a neck verdict over that rival and become the sixth winner for her first-season sire (by Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The dam is a full-sister to the sire Norse Dancer (Ire) who captured the G3 Sovereign S. and G3 Earl of Sefton S. and was placed in six Group 1 contests. From the family of the Epsom Oaks heroine Bireme (GB), her yearling filly is by Fast Company (Ire) while she also has a colt foal by Footstepsinthesand (GB). Sales history: €28,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; 95,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $4,068. **Video, sponsored by TVG**.
O-Highclere Thoroughbred Racing - Orchard; B-Clodagh McStay (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:
3rd-Brighton, £5,600, Nov, 6-1, 3yo/up, 7f 216yT, 1:32.73, g/f.
FAR HOPE (IRE) (f, 3, Night of Thunder {Ire}--Masarah {Ire} {SP-Eng}, by Cape Cross {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $12,263.
O-Mohammed Al Nabouda; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

2nd-Great Yarmouth, £5,300, 6-1, 2yo, 5f 42yT, 1:01.59, g/f.
BELLARENA LADY (GB) (f, 2, Due Diligence--Eshq {Ire}, by Oasis Dream {GB}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, $12,030. O-Austin and June Allison; B-Rosie Gedge-Gibson (GB); T-Ed Dunlop.
*1,500gns Wlg '19 TATFOA; £12,600 Ylg '20 TATASY.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Jubilee Bridge, f, 3, **Flintshire (GB)**--Bajan (MSW & GISP, $251,949), by Speightstown. Lingfield, 6-1, 9fT, 1:55.09. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $4,298. B-China Horse Club International Limited (KY). *17,000gns Ylg '19 TAOCT.

Pertemps Sia (Ire), f, 4, **Canford Cliffs (Ire)**--Sentimental (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Redcar, 6-1, 10f 1yT, 2:08.80. B-S Roy (IRE).

IRELAND

Tuesday's Results:

3rd-Tipperary, €30,000, Cond, 6-1, 2yo, 5fT, :59.26, yl.

TWILIGHT JET (IRE) (c, 2, Twilight Son {GB}--My Lucky Liz {Ire}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who was fifth in the G3 Marble Hill S. at The Curragh May 22, chased the leading trio throughout the early stages. Getting to Harmony Rose (GB) (Hot Streak {Ire}) inside the last 50 yards, the 4-1 shot asserted to score by a length. "We thought an awful lot of this horse before we ever ran him and that's why he has the name he has," jockey Leigh Roche said. "Coming from the breeze-ups, you're thinking they're going to be sharp and know their job but he is just so laid-back at home and took the two runs. The last day I thought I was going to win at one stage, but met trouble and the slow ground caught him. He will improve a lot more from this and he needs a good strong gallop like today and something to aim at. He has a big engine and hopefully will be the first one for Ascot." The winner is currently the last known foal out of a half-sister to the stakes winner Bredenbury (Ire) (Night of Thunder {Ire}) and Listed Stonehenge S. scorer Go Angellica (Ire) (Kheleyf). Sales history: €28,000 Ylg '20 GOFFEB; £210,000 2yo '21 GOFTY. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $27,934.
O/T-Michael O'Callaghan; B-Tom Radley (IRE).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Privilege (GB), g, 3, **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**--Two Days in Paris (Fr) (SP-Fr, $126,033), by Authorized (Ire). Tipperary, 6-1, 7f 110yT, 1:37.20. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, $14,502. B-Two Days In Paris Partnership (GB). *36,000gns Wlg '18 TATFOA; €35,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFOR.

Tashi (Ire), f, 4, **Kingston Hill (GB)**--Supercharged (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). Tipperary, 6-1, 12 1/2fT, TIME. Lifetime Record: 11-1-2-0, €13,825. B-D J Maher (IRE). *€5,000 Ylg '18 TIRSEP.

Gyldan (Ire), f, 4, **Make Believe (GB)**--Gilded (Ire) (GSW-Eng, $151,447), by Redback (GB). Tipperary, 6-1, 5fT, :58.48. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $8,803. B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE). *35,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT. *1/2 to Fort Del Oro (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), MSW & MGSP-Ire, SP-Eng, $151,715.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

5th-Strasbourg, €22,000, Cond, 6-1, 3yo, 11 3/4fT, 2:26.52, gd.

MIKA D'O (FR) (g, 3, Martinborough {Jpn}--Allez Hongkong {Ger}, by Sakhee) Lifetime Record: 14-3-3-0, €49,592. O-Mme Karin Brieskorn; B-Christophe Jouandou (FR); T-Stefan Richter. *€3,000 Ylg '19 OSASEP.

6th-Strasbourg, €12,000, Cond, 6-1, 4yo/up, 10 1/2fT, 2:13.30, gd.

PALM SPRINGS (GB) (g, 4, Maxios {GB}--Panatella {GB}, by Medicean {GB}) Lifetime Record: 11-2-1-1, €25,100. O-Stall Moriki's Friends; B-Antje & Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten (GB); T-Hans Albert Blume. *€12,000 Ylg '18 BBAGO.

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11	Loch Lein (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Mrs Joan Brosnan	Mrs J Harrington	S Foley	126
12	More Beautiful	War Front	Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith	A P O'Brien	J A Heffernan	126
13	Sweet Gardenia (GB)	Showcasing (GB)	Hewins Hoare Partnership	J J Murphy	R C Colgan	126
14	Teresa Mendoza (Ire)	Territories (Ire)	Ecurie Ama Zing Team	K J Condon	B M Coen	126
15	Thunder Beauty (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	David K Kelly	K J Condon	N G McCullagh	126

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HEDGE STRIKES FOR SNITZEL YEARLING

Lot 1619, a colt by Snitzel | *Magic Millions*

by Paul Vettise

The fireworks came late in the piece on the opening day of the Magic Millions Gold Coast National Yearling Sale when bloodstock agent Suman Hedge went to $500,000 for a striking chestnut colt, Lot 1619, by Snitzel.

At A Glance:

- Day 1 saw $7,091,500 traded at an average of $63,887, well up on the Day 1 average of $41,257 in 2020 and 2019.
- The median of $45,000 is also well up on the $30,000 benchmark of the last two years.
- Magic Millions will work overtime to improve a clearance rate of 56.63%, down from 64.3% on Day 1 last year and 62.4% in 2019.
- Suman Hedge secured the day's top lot late in the session when he went to $500,000 for Milburn Creek's chestnut colt by Snitzel.
- Guy Mulcaster paid $320,000 for the I Am Invincible colt offered by Torryburn Stud and $220,000 for a son of Dundeel (NZ) from Kenmore Lodge.
- Arrowfield Stud's Snitzel is the leading sire by average for three or more lots sold with three of his yearlings selling for $560,000 at an average of $186,667.
- Milburn Creek is the leading vendor by average with four lots sold for $685,500 at an average of $171,250.

Hedge had viewed the son of Snitzel several times during the year as he enjoys a close association with vendor Milburn Creek and believed the youngster offered the complete package.

He boasts an impressive pedigree and paraded in terrific order for the sale. The colt had a number of potential buyers joining in after an initial opening bid of $200,000, but Hedge out-stayed them all.

"He was the pick of the sale, there are a lot of attractions about him. He is by a champion sire out of a stakes-winning mare and his brother sold for $1.55 million," he said.

The colt is out of the Listed Hybrid Plate winner Walk With Attitude (Hussonet {USA}) and her high-priced son Spend (Snitzel) is a dual winner and placed at Group 3 level.

The second and third dams--Hillfa (Danehill {USA}) and Fayfa (Ire) (Slip Anchor {GB})--are also black-type winners with leading sire Invincible Spirit (Ire) also in the pedigree mix.

Hedge said the Snitzel colt, who was withdrawn from the Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale, was a major favourite of Milburn Creek's Scott Holcombe.

"Scott is probably one of my closest allies in the industry and someone I respect immensely and he's always loved this colt. It's a shame he couldn't put him through a sale earlier in the year, he would have made a lot more.

"It was just minor issues and we had him vetted and the vet was happy. We have a pretty stringent criteria and the horse just presented so well.

"He was very active and had all the signs that we are looking for in a yearling."

Hedge was unable to reveal the identity of the owner and a trainer for the colt has yet to be decided.

"We'll get him broken in straight away and when he gets to a trainer we'll see how he handles that. There is a lot in his pedigree to say that he'll get up and running as a 2-year-old," he said.

In Familiar Territory

Hedge also went to $220,000 for Bowness Stud's Extreme Choice filly, who will be going to Caulfield trainer Mick Price.

"She is very reminiscent of the sire and Mick is going to train her. I asked him what he thought of her and he said she was all Extreme Choice," Hedge said. "Mick has been a great supporter of mine.

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"I bought her for a single owner who is in it for the long term and will hopefully breed from her later on."

Price, who operates in partnership with Michael Kent Jnr, trained Extreme Choice to win twice at Group 1 level before his retirement to Newgate.

Hedge expected the filly to be an early runner and, like most, is a major fan of the sire: "He's a stallion that is doing such a good job."

The filly's dam She Brings Hope (Sebring) was successful four times up to 1400 metres with the European Group 1 winners Shemaka (Ire) (Nishapour {Fr}) and Shakeel (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}) featuring on the page.

Work to Be Done

Magic Millions Managing Director Barry Bowditch and his team will be working overtime to match buyers with horses after a clearance rate of nearly 57% and just over $7,090,500 was traded on 112 lots sold at an average price of $63,887. Book 1 selling concludes on Wednesday.

The Book 1 clearance rate 12 months ago, when it was a single session, was 75% with an aggregate of $10,288,500 at an average of $53,866.

"It's an extremely polarising market and the clearance rate is far from satisfactory and over the next 24 hours we will be working extremely hard to get that to a more satisfactory level," Bowditch said.

"Buyers, agents, trainers and owners need to be paying attention to this sale and doing research overnight leading into tomorrow because there are so many opportunities out there."

Bowditch urged vendors to take another look at their reserves to stimulate sales.

"On the other side of the coin, I think vendors need to set the reserves low and give the market the opportunity to gain some confidence and sell these horses," he said.

"This is the end of the line from a selling perspective for the yearling market and it would be good to see us sell a good percentage of these horses over the next couple of days.

"Buyers are being selective and they don't need a lot of horses so they're pinning their ears back on the ones they really like.

"The quality lots were sought-after and that was evident, whether that be Guy Mulcaster and Chris Waller or Suman Hedge, they have an eye for detail and they are finding those horses here and making sure they secure them."

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