KEENOV GROSS ECLIPSES 2020 FIGURE IN BOOK 3 FINALE

by Jessica Martini
LEXINGTON, KY - The Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale, which reached its halfway mark Sunday, has already surpassed the total gross of its 10-day 2020 renewal. At the conclusion of Sunday’s session, 1,120 horses had sold for $166,206,000. The auction’s total 2020 turnover was $151,017,300.

At the halfway point in the sale, the average of $148,398 is up 13.23% from last year’s $131,060, while the median of $95,000 is up 26.67% from $75,000. The buy-back rate stands at 20.90%. It was 25.66% a year ago.

The auction’s Book 3 section concluded Sunday with a pair of offerings topping the $300,000 mark. For the two Book 3 sessions, 540 horses grossed $39,810,000. The book average of $73,722 was up 31.4% from the 2020 Book 3 section and the median was up 7.0% to $60,000.

During the 2020 Book 3 section, 482 horses sold for $27,032,500 for an average of $56,084 and a median of $41,000.

The 2020 book’s top price was $300,000 and 15 horses sold for $200,000 or over. That figure was 19 this year when Book 3 was topped by a $550,000 broodmare. Cont. p3

TYGART, USADA OUT TO CLEAN UP THE GAME

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley
We heard from the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), its CEO Travis Tygart and the Director of Equine Science Dr. Tessa Muir last week when USADA released its anti-doping guidelines, rules and protocols. Once again, we saw that these are no-nonsense, dedicated people with a track record of cleaning up other sports. The release of the guidelines was an important step toward what will be a welcome change for racing—competent, dedicated policing from an outside entity replacing the current system, which just doesn't work.

(Quotes from this story were taken from Tygart and Muir’s appearance on the TDN Writers’ Room podcast and from Dan Ross’s coverage and his Q&A with Tygart and Muir.) Cont. p9

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY
PLYING A GAME-CHANGER FOR JOSSESTOWN FARM

Kelsey Riley speaks with Jossestown Farm’s Martin Cooney, who will offer Plying (Hard Spun), the dam of MG1SW Alcohol Free (Ire) (No Nay Never), at the Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN Europe.
SAM HUFF PASSES AWAY AT 87

NFL Hall of Famer Sam Huff, who was also an instrumental figure in West Virginia Thoroughbred racing, passed away Saturday at the age of 87.

BAFFERT WINS 11TH BOB HOPE WITH MESSIER

'TDN Rising Star' Messier (Empire Maker) sat off a scorching pace and ran away late to give Bob Baffert his 11th score in the GIII Bob Hope S. at Del Mar.
Katie Cauthen, bidding on behalf of Susan Casner, purchased Sunday's top-priced lot when going to $360,000 to secure a filly by first-crop sire Audible. The session topper capped a big day for young stallions. The day’s second-highest priced weanling was a son of first-crop sire Mitole who sold for $285,000 to Corinne and Bill Heiligbrodt and Spendthrift Farm and the day’s top-priced mare, Super Simple (Super Saver), sold for $300,000 to Woodford Thoroughbreds while carrying a foal from the first crop of Grade I winner Volatile.

“A lot of people are going in on these first-year sires, so a lot of people are trying to buy these mares in foal to first-year sires,” said Hunter Simms of Warrendale Sales, which consigned Super Simple. “Just like Authentic and some of these other first-mares-in foals have been very well received.”

As the Keeneland November sale concluded its fifth session Sunday, Simms continued to see plenty of demand for horses. “We sold three mares earlier in the day that were very strong and were probably double what we expected,” Simms said. “I didn’t think [Super Simple] would be at $300,000, but the market is strong. If you bring something up here, you will get paid for it.”

John Mulholland, whose Mulholland Springs consigned the day’s highest-priced colt by Mitole, agreed the November results continued to exceed all expectations. “When they stand out, they stand out,” Mulholland said. “If they love it, people are going to dig deep and go for it. That’s what the market wants. It wants the highest of the high quality and that’s what everybody is going to zero in on and you’re going to end up getting more than you expect.”

The Keeneland November sale continues through Friday with sessions beginning daily at 10 a.m.

Audible Filly Makes Noise Late

As Sunday’s session of the Keeneland November sale was winding down, Katie Cauthen, acting on behalf of Bill and Susan Casner, made the day's highest bid when going to $360,000 to acquire a filly by Audible (hip 1801). Bred by Fred Hertrich, III and consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, the chestnut filly received a timely update when her half-sister Juju's Map (Liam's Map) won the Oct. 8 GI Darley Alcibiades S. and was second in last weekend's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

“She was a lovely filly,” Cauthen said after signing the ticket on the weanling. “We liked the physical and we really liked the update. Bill Casner really loved her walking video. He's trusted us for a long time and we are glad to have her.”
The crop conceived after those seven G1 winners in 2017 race as three-year-olds. Expect them to strike gold. Meanwhile, his best-ever crop are yearlings. And we all know how much the market loves his yearlings...

Two-year-old Rockefeller is the first top runner from that 2019 crop: he wins the G3 Nashua.

An even better book of mares, with a CI of 7.73, ranking it the best book of any stallion since Storm Cat back in 2007.

More big-ticket yearlings at the sales: he’s out on his own with 20 million-dollar yearlings since 2016.

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Seven individual American G1 winners: only Mr. Prospector had ever had so many in a single year.
Bill Casner acquired the mare Summer Vacation (Eskendereya) (hip 680) for $460,000 and Susan Casner acquired a weanling colt by Dialed In (hip 850) for $65,000 earlier in the November sale.

“Bill just wants to get back in the game,” Cauthen said. “He’s been sitting on the sidelines for a while. He’s really excited to be back.”

Of the filly’s session-topping price, Cauthen admitted, “We wanted her for around $300,000, but it seems like you have to pay a lot more than you expect to.”

**Norevale Makes it Look Simple**

Sarah and Leo Dooley's Norevale Farm, still just in its first full year in operation, picked up **Super Simple** (Super Saver) (hip 1502) for $27,000 at last year's Keeneland November sale and hit a home run when returning the 5-year-old mare to the Keeneland sales ring Sunday to sell for $300,000 to Woodford Thoroughbreds.

Sarah Dooley, a graduate of the Irish National Stud and Godolphin Flying Start programs, said the mare's purchase in 2020 followed lessons she'd learned from her father, Tony Holmes of Marula Park Stud.

“She had a lot of upside,” she said. “My dad has operated that way his whole career, just buying mares with plenty of upside. There were Gun Runners, a Pharaoh filly, all Winchell [in the pedigree], so we thought if she could be bought right, she's a pretty mare and had enough of a page that we could hope something would pop there.”

Since purchasing Super Simple a year ago, plenty had popped in the family. The mare's half-sister Simple Surprise (Cowboy Cal) is the dam of this year's GI Hopeful S. winner Gunite (Gun Runner). Cont. p5
“We loved the sire, we think he’s going to be a big hit...They just look like athletes. They have really good bone, good hip and great angles on them.”

Dave Scanlon, purchaser of the $235,000 top-priced colt at Fasig-Tipton’s Midatlantic Fall Yearlings. Mendelssohn also had the $230,000 top-priced colt and $160,000 top-priced filly on the opening day.

“Of course the pedigree is there, but the physical is there too and she was awesome the whole time. She stands up conformationally. She has a great walk on her and a lot of body. She looks fast.”

Alex Solis, purchaser of the $900,000 filly out of the unraced Acrobatique with Jason Litt on behalf of the Roth Family’s LNJ Foxwoods

“I like Mendelssohn. I saw him when they got him and, my God, I think he was the best-looking horse I’ve ever seen.”

Bart Evans who bought out co-breeder Stonehaven Steadings in the $750,000 filly ex Wasted Tears

MENDELSSOHN

G1 BREEDERS’ CUP JUVENILE TURF WINNER BY SCAT DADDY AND A HALF-BROTHER TO INTO MISCHIEF

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His 2YO half-sister MARR TIME earned TDN Rising Star status following an impressive winning debut at Keeneland
Another half-sister Simply Sovereign (American Pharoah) was second in the Trapeze S. last December and 2-year-old half-sister Optionality (Gun Runner) graduated for Winchell Thoroughbreds and Steve Asmussen just three weeks ago.

“If something popped up, we could resell, if it didn’t, we could keep her,” Sarah Dooley said when asked if the plan had always been to sell the mare this year. “We bought her with both options in mind. And sure enough the American Pharoah is now stakes placed and there is Gunite, and the 2-year-old just broke her maiden. So it was time to see how the market would be.”

Super Simple sold Sunday in foal to first-season sire Volatile. The stallion, an $850,000 yearling purchase in 2017, won the 2020 GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. before retiring to Three Chimneys where he stood the 2021 breeding season for $17,500.

Leo Dooley, a native of Ireland who worked for trainer Jim Bolger, as well as serving stints at Ballylinch Stud, Tattersalls and Goffs, said the stallion made sense for Super Simple.

“When we went out to look at Volatile, he was very impressive physically,” he said. “He cost so much as a yearling, he was bound to be, but he was a very good physical and he was a good match for the mare.”

Sarah Dooley added, “[The mare] was 100% ours and it’s our first year in business. Even a $30,000 or $40,000 [stud fee] was a stretch for us. Volatile was a beautiful first-season horse and everybody was talking about him. We loved him. And at $15,000, the price was right for us.”

Sunday’s result more than exceeded expectations.

“I thought at best she might make $120,000 or $150,000,” Sarah Dooley said. “So she more than doubled expectations, that’s for sure. It’s an absolute home run.” Cont. p6
Woodford Buying Spree Continues

Bloodstock agent Lincoln Collins has been busy purchasing mares for John and Susan Sykes's Woodford Thoroughbreds this week at Keeneland as the operation continues to upgrade its commercial broodmare band. Collins, sitting alongside John Sykes, purchased Super Simple (Super Saver) (hip 1502) for $300,000 from the Warrendale Sales consignment Sunday. The mare is a half-sister to the dam of GI Hopeful S. winner Gunite (Gun Runner).

“She is a beautiful mare,” Collins said after signing the ticket on the mare, who sold in foal to Volatile. “Obviously, the family is very live. So that’s a big consideration for us. We bought one earlier that we thought was good value and we stretched a bit for her, but you’ve got to have good-looking mares in order to succeed in the commercial marketplace. Woodford Thoroughbreds is a commercial operation and we’ve been looking to upgrade. Obviously, we’ve bought a lot of mares at the sale, but Mr. and Mrs. Sykes are determined to make Woodford a first-class, top-five yearling sellers, and in order to do that, you’ve got to have good-looking mares.”

Collins returned for another mare in foal to Volatile later Sunday, going to $95,000 for Cedar Hall (Bayern) (hip 1607). Woodford Thoroughbreds has purchased 14 mares so far at the Keeneland November sale for a total of $3,515,000. In addition to Volatile, the operation has purchased two mares in foal with the first crop of foals by Authentic and McKinzie, and one mare carrying a foal from the first crops of Vekoma and Improbable, as well as two mares in foal with the second crop of Omaha Beach.

“There has been a trend in the last few years that makes it difficult from a commercial point of view you’ve got to look at the young horses because people seem to give a lot of money for them. Woodford is in the commercial game and we’re trying to buy good-looking mares to get good-looking foals by first-season stallions. That’s part of our commercial strategy. Having said that, we have a lot of other good mares who will get bred to proven horses. This is all about, from Woodford's point of view, presenting horses that the market wants. We are all looking a couple years in advance. One out of five are the ones that are going to make you the money. You just have to have the right ones.”

Familiar Connections for Mitole Colt

Bill and Corinne Heiligbrodt, who campaigned Mitole, teamed up with Spendthrift Farm, which stands the champion sprinter, to acquire a weanling (hip 1432) from his first crop for $285,000 early in Sunday's session of the Keeneland November sale. The bay colt, bred by R B Stables and consigned by Mulholland Springs, is out of the unraced Rode Warrior (Quality Road), a half-sister to graded winner Wacky Patty (Formal Dinner).

“I thought he was the best Mitole we've seen so far,” Spendthrift's Mark Toothaker said. “He was just an absolutely gorgeous horse. We were so glad to be able to team up with Bill and Corinne Heiligbrodt, who obviously campaigned Mitole. So we are very excited to land this horse. We partnered up and hopefully he'll be a runner.”

The speedy Mitole, a four-time Grade I winner, capped his career with a win in the 2019 GI Breeders' Cup Sprint and was named that year's champion sprinter. He began his stud career at Spendthrift in 2020 and will stand the 2022 season at $15,000.

“A lot of the ones we've seen have been beautiful-bodied horses,” Toothaker said of Mitole's babies. “This one not only had the beautiful body, he also stood over a lot of ground. So we thought he was one we had to have and we took a shot.” Cont. p7
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“[Spendthrift owner] Eric [Gustavson] and [manager] Ned [Toffey] signed off and Bill and Corinne were all on board,” he added.

Consignor John Mulholland said he has been impressed by what he has seen of Mitole’s first crop of weanlings. “They have exceeded my expectations,” Mulholland said. “This one is out of a big Quality Road mare. So I think if you breed a big, stretchy kind of mare to him, you’re going to get the best of both, from what I’ve seen.”

Hip 1432 was the second weanling by Mitole to top the $200,000 mark at the Keeneland November sale. He was represented by the second-highest priced weanling of Saturday’s session when hip 1214 sold for $200,000 and he has now had 10 six-figure weanlings sell at Keeneland this week. Twenty-two weanlings by Mitole have sold for an average of $95,000.

“He bred a big book of mares his first year and then the babies were so nice, we came back this year and bred over 200 mares again,” Toothaker said. “So Mitole has a huge following. And the way these sales results have been, he’s going to have a big following again next year. We couldn’t be more excited. He’s the mighty Mitole—the fastest horse in the world and we are happy to have one.”

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**SUNDAY’S TOP WEANLINGS**

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Breeder: Fred Hertrich, III (Ky)
Consignor: Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent CXXXI
Purchaser: Susan Casner

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Breeder: R B Stables (Ky)
Consignor: Mulholland Springs, Agent XI
Purchaser: Corinne & Bill Heiligbrodt & Spendthrift Farm

1476    colt    Blame--Soul Spirit     190,000
Breeder: Don Alberto Corporation (Ky)
Consignor: Denali Stud, Agent XLV
Purchaser: Sewanne Bloodstock

1774    colt    Liam's Map--Malibu Rainbow     185,000
($85,000 i/u '20 KEENOV)
Breeder: Pepin Breeders (NY)
Consignor: Indian Creek, agent
Purchaser: Scott & Evan Dilworth

1763    filly    Nyquist--Logic of Absurdity     180,000
($70,000 i/u '20 KEENOV)
Breeder: Dr. Naoya Yoshida, Jeff Chesnut, & Dr. Eric Crawford (Ky)
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KEENELAND NOVEMBER SALE
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Week in Review cont. from p1

With Thursday's release of the details, there was a lot to digest. Here's what resonated with me:

(*) USADA is not going to rely solely on drug testing, which has been proven to be a woefully inadequate way of catching cheaters. There are always a number of potent drugs out there that can't be detected by standard drug tests. USADA may not have all the tools, including wiretaps, that the FBI had when it took down Jason Servis, Jorge Navarro and others, but Tygart made it clear that there are more ways to catch cheaters than just through drug tests.

"Can you bring a case if you don't have a positive test?" Tygart said. "In some states today, I don't think that's even possible under the rules. But if you look at Article Two of the rules, it identifies about 12 different types of violations. Only one or two of those includes a positive test. So possession, trafficking, complicity, attempted administration, retaliation against a whistleblower, those are things that can be anti-doping rule violations."

He said that scientific evidence will be combined with "buckets of evidence", much like what you see each week on shows like Law and Order and NCIS.

Tygart said they will also rely on a tip line that is already receiving calls. All of which is a step in the right direction. Neither Navarro nor Servis had any serious violations on their records that were the result of testing, which just goes to show that a lot more beyond testing needs to be done.

(*) USADA appears to understand the importance of going after more than just the trainers. It stands to reason that in most cases where performance-enhancing drugs are used, a veterinarian is involved. And what about the owners? It's hard to imagine they don't know what's going on when their trainer is winning at 30% and 50% off the claim. They should have to pay the price when their trainer is caught.

When the horse is in training, the owner, the veterinarian, anyone else involved with the horse, they can be held accountable if they're complicit and part of a doping or a medication issue," Tygart said. "The strict liability of the positive test doesn't apply to them. So there will be a slightly different way that this is prosecuted, but they absolutely can be held accountable under these rules."

He added: "It's not just the trainer training the horse that has responsibility for this culture of a clean sport. Everybody within the sport should have a responsibility to ensure that it's being done the right way."

(*) One thing that was not addressed last week was the obvious problem of having a trainer turn the stable over to an assistant once they are suspended. Life goes on largely uninterrupted for that stable with the head trainer getting what amounts to a vacation. There's not nearly enough of a deterrent here. At least with the more serious violations, the stable should be penalized along with a guilty trainer.

(*) USADA is going to rely heavily on out-of-competition testing and trainers must let USADA know at all times where a horse is located. He also said that out-of-competition tests won't be done on a random basis. For obvious reasons, the focus will be on trainers whose results suggest they might be using something to get an edge.

"It's what we call intelligent testing," Tygart said. "It's not random. Some call it smart testing. Some call it target testing. We will use data."

(*) You might want to call this one the "Baffert Rule." While USADA will distinguish between violations that involve performance-enhancing drugs and overages of therapeutic medications, Tygart believes that there is a point where enough is enough when it comes to overages. Four minor infractions or therapeutic overages within five years could result in a sanction of up to two years. Cont. p10
(*) Just because a horse passes post-race urine and blood tests
doesn’t mean that they can’t be caught later on. If someone
uses something illegal and a new test for that substance comes
around after the fact, they could get nailed. This is another
welcome development.

"We will have the ability to do what is called retrospective
testing," Tygart said. "Samples will be put into storage. And then
when you develop new tests in the future, we’re going to be
able to bring those samples out of storage and actually then
analyze them with the new methodology for those prohibited
old-time substances. That’s also a great deterrent to people
using things where they say you can’t detect it. But in the future,
when those technologies and the capabilities are enhanced and
changed, then we can go back and you will still be subject to
sanction (for a positive test)."

(*) More than six months after the race, the Kentucky Horse
Racing Commission has still not acted when it comes to this
year’s GI Kentucky Derby and the reported betamethasone
positive on winner Medina Spirit (Protonico). That, Tygart said,
will not happen after USADA takes over.

"I was pretty stunned to hear that (Medina Spirit’s) Kentucky
Derby case hasn’t been resolved yet," Tygart said. "That’s not
going to happen on our watch. I mean, it’s crazy that it’s taken
that long to get to a final resolution, particularly when someone
is competing the entire time."

Lawsuits have been filed by horsemen’s groups and six states
to shoot down the Horseracing Safety and Integrity Act (HISA),
which is what created the need for a new method of policing the
sport, and USADA has yet to sign a contract with the Horseracing
Integrity and Safety Authority. Both factors could mean that the
projected start date for HISA, July 1, 2022 will not be met.

But if and when HISA goes into effect, USADA will be ready.
Tygart called the new rules a "gold standard program for the
industry." He’s got that right. It’s time for a new era.

NFL HALL OF FAMER, OWNER, BREEDER
SAM HUFF PASSES AWAY AT 87

by Bill Finley

Sam Huff, who made his mark in both the NFL and in
Thoroughbred racing as an owner-breeder and the co-founder
of the West Virginia Breeders Classics, died Saturday. Huff, who
had been suffering from dementia since 2013, was 87.

Huff, a third round draft choice of the New York Giants in
1956, discovered racing during his time in New York when he
would frequent Aqueduct and Belmont. Huff was traded to the
Washington Redskins before the 1964 season and retired in
1969.

After his playing days were done, he devoted more time to
Thoroughbreds. Along with his partner Carol Holden, he opened
Sporting Life Farm in Middleburg, Virginia. Huff was the owner
and breeder of Bursting Forth, a winner of five stakes races,
including the GIII Bewitch S., the GIII Vinery Matchmaker S. and
the GIII All Along S.

“When you have a stakes winner, it’s like hitting the lottery,”
Huff told The Saratogian in 2001. “It’s the most exciting thing
I’ve ever done. More than winning an NFL championship, more
than reaching the Hall of Fame. There’s nothing like it. That’s
why people are in this business.”

Huff attended the inaugural Maryland Million in 1986 and
liked the concept so much he decided to copy it.

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Loaded Timeline of Success.

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In 1987, Holden and Huff launched the West Virginia Breeders Classics at Charles Town. The 35th edition of the event, held Oct. 9, featured nine stakes for West Virginia bred with total purses of $1,075,000.

“When we first started, I never had any idea we could do it for 23 years,” Huff told The Northern Virginia Daily in 2009. “It seems like a long time, but when you’re working in it, time goes fast. It’s always been a goal to be bigger than the Maryland Million—that was our guide, that’s what we copied.”

Until his health started to deteriorate, Huff was the face of the Breeders Classics, always there to pose for pictures, shake hands and present trophies in the winner’s circle.

Huff maintained a small stable for years and, according to Equibase, won 15 races as an owner since 2000. He started his last horse in 2015.

“I’m not the kind of owner trainers like,” Huff told The Saratogian. “I am involved. I stay on top of things. There’s no way you can be in one part of this business. You have to do it all. I read about the industry all the time.”

“Most knew Sam Huff as an NFL Hall of Famer,” read a tweet from Charles Town. “We knew him as an advocate of racing and co-founder of the @WVBClassics. Sam passed away today at the age of 87. He will forever be woven into the fabric of West Virginia racing. Our deepest condolences to all who loved him.”

Huff was born in 1934 in Edna, West Virginia and was the son of a coal miner. His full name was Robert Lee Huff. He became known as Sam at an early age and always maintained that he had no idea where the nickname came from.

He grew up in a mining camp known as Number Nine, outside of Farmington, WV. A middle linebacker, he played collegiately at West Virginia, where he became an All-American.

The Washington Post called him the first defensive player to become a superstar in the NFL, saying that he “acquired the visibility and fame previously reserved for quarterbacks, running backs and wide receivers.”

During his eight seasons in New York, Huff helped lead his team to an NFL championship in 1956. During Huff’s time in New York, the Giants played in six championship games. The Giants’ 1958 championship loss to the Baltimore Colts is widely remembered as "The Greatest Game Ever Played," and is seen as a catalyst for the NFL’s popularity.

He was traded to Washington in 1964. He retired before the 1968 season but came back a year later and played in 1969 before retiring again.

"Sam was one of the greatest Giants of all time," said John Mara, the Giants' President and Chief Executive Officer. "He was the heart and soul of our defense in his era. He almost single-handedly influenced the first chants of 'Defense, Defense' in Yankee Stadium."
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Heavily-favored Messier sat off of a supersonic pace in Sunday’s GII Bob Hope S. at Del Mar and rallied to score going away in the end, giving Bob Baffert—who had three of the four starters—his 11th victory in the seven-furlong test for 2-year-old males.

Hammered down to 1-2 favoritism on debut June 27 at Los Alamitos, the $470,000 Fasig-Tipton Selected Yearling buy cruised to an easy 6 1/2-length graduation off a brief layoff Oct. 22 at Santa Anita to earn ‘TDN Rising Star’ honors. Taking the bulk of the play here while removing blinkers, the bay broke smoothly but was out-footed by his three rivals early and sat at the back of the pack under Flavien Prat as the lone non-Baffert entry, Forbidden Kingdom showed the way through a scorching :43.23, he spun into the clear approaching the lane as the field started to condense. Forbidden Kingdom fought valiantly until around the eighth pole, but the early fractions took their toll and Messier took charge before kicking clear for a comfortable victory in the end.

“We were in a good spot,” said Prat. “There was plenty of pace in the race and that was to our advantage. When I asked, he was there. And I think this horse will be fine with running on.”

“Messier shipped down this morning. He didn't train here during the summer and had never been here,” added Baffert. “First time on a trailer, first time he'd seen Del Mar and he walked into the paddock like he owned it. The track is pretty glib so the fractions were fast. In the summer, 21 and [two] wouldn't hold up, but this time speed carries and they were rolling.”

Pedigree Notes:

With the win, Messier becomes the 67th stakes winner and 37th graded stakes winner for the late Empire Maker. He’s the lone foal to race thus far out of his dam, who took back-to-back renewals of Woodbine’s Trillium S. in 2014 and 2015. His third dam is Canadian champion Catch the Ring (Seeking the Gold), who in turn produced a Canadian champion in Catch the Thrill (A.P. Indy). Sold to Silesia Farm for $290,000 as part of the Samson Farm dispersal at Keeneland January this year, Checkered Past foaled a Candy Ride (Arg) filly Feb. 7 before being bred to Authentic.

Sunday, Woodbine
AUTUMN S.-GII, CS197,750, Woodbine, 11-14, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:42.51, ft.
1--MIGHTY HEART, 124, c, 4, by Dramedy
  1st Dam: Emma's Bullseye, by City Place
  2nd Dam: Fleeting April, by Northern Afleet
  3rd Dam: April's Luci, by Sunny Clime
O/B-Lawrence Cordes (ON); T-Josie Carroll; J-Patrick Husband. C$126,000. Lifetime Record: Horse of the Year, Ch. 3yo Colt-Can, 15-6-2-2, $1,059,290. Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Sir Winston, 121, h, 5, Awesome Again--La Gran Bailadora, by Afleet Alex. ($50,000 RNA Ylg '17 KESEP). O/B-Tracy Farmer (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. C$35,000.

3--Special Forces, 124, g, 6, Candy Ride (Arg)--Special Me, by Unbridled’s Song. ($220,000 Ylg '16 KESEP). O-Kevin Attard & Soli Mehta; B-Machmer Hall, Carrie & Craig Brogden (KY); T-Kevin Attard. C$19,250.

Margins: 3HF, 1 3/4, 4HF. Also Ran: Kamui, Scratched: Rock N Rye. Click for the Equibase.com chart, the TJCIS.com PPs or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Mighty Heart, last year’s Canadian Horse of the Year and champion 3-year-old colt, ended a three-race winless streak and picked up his fifth career stakes success in the GII Autumn S. Sunday at Woodbine.

Romping by 7 1/2 lengths at 13-1 in last summer’s Queen’s Plate S., the one-eyed colt repeated in the Prince of Wales S. at Fort Erie before backing up to finish a well-beaten seventh when attempting to complete the Canadian Triple Crown in the Breeders’ S. Fourth in the GII Ontario Derby to conclude his sophomore campaign, he scored a game triumph in the Blame S. second out this year May 29 at Churchill before capturing the local GIII Dominion Day S. July 1. Runner-up in the GII West Virginia Governor’s S. Aug. 7 at Mountaineer, he filled the same slot in the GII Seagram Cup S. here Sept. 11 before checking in fourth in the GII Durham Cup S. last out Oct. 10.

Off as the third choice in this seven-horse group, the bay cleared smoothly from his outside draw to take charge into the clubhouse turn and dictated terms through splits of :23.86 and :47.23 while pursued by a pair of longshots as the top three split away from the other four by double digits. The rest of the pack caught up going by three-quarters in 1:11.36. Cont. p13
Discarding his two chasers in early stretch, Mighty Heart was set upon by Halo Again (Speightstown) and Special Forces entering the final furlong, but those two could never meaningfully gain from there, and the pacesetter just held off the stout closing bid of Sir Winston to prevail on the wire.

“This is an exciting horse,” said winning trainer Josie Carroll. “They don’t come along very often, horses like this. He had his handicap to overcome and things like that never faze on him. He’s just a good horse and he’s an exciting horse. He had a legit excuse last time when he lost a shoe halfway around the turn and [we] really felt vindicated to see him come back today and do what we’ve been expecting him to do.”

Pedigree Notes:
One of four stakes winners and two graded stakes winners—the other being this fall’s GIII Greenwood Cup S. hero Magic Michael—for Dramedy, a Grade II winner who was sold to stand in Saudi Arabia in 2019, Mighty Heart is the only black-type performer under the first three dams in his pedigree. His dam is represented by a yearling Amis Gizmo filly named Emma’s Last Gem.

**ALTERATION RELOCATING FROM PIN OAK TO DARBY DAN**

Multiple graded stakes-winning millionaire Alternation (Distorted Humor—Alternate, by Seattle Slew), a half-brother to Grade I winner and Darby Dan Farm stallion Higher Power (Medaglia d’Oro) and the sire of multiple Grade I winner Serengeti Empress, is being relocated from Pin Oak Stud to Darby Dan Farm by Steve Belford’s Maccabee Farm for the upcoming breeding season, the farm announced today.

Alternation is being re-syndicated and will stand for a fee of $7,500 S&N.

“We’re excited to bring a horse of Alternation’s caliber to Darby Dan,” said Ryan Norton, stallion director at Darby Dan Farm. “He was a top-class horse on the racetrack, he is from an active and accomplished Pin Oak family, and he is already making his presence felt as a stallion, siring the likes of Kentucky Oaks winner Serengeti Empress. He is a great-looking horse and possesses all the qualities to be a top sire.”

Alternation was a multiple graded stakes winner of $1,064,727 in his racing career. He captured five stakes races in Pin Oak’s famed colors, including the GII Peter Pan S. at three and the GII Oaklawn H. GIII Pimlico Special and GII Razorback H. the following year at four.

For more information about Alternation, to inquire about shares, or to arrange an inspection, contact Ryan Norton at (859) 254-0424, or by email at ryan@darbydan.com, or visit DarbyDan.com.

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Plum Ali, 124, f, 3, by First Samurai
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2nd Dam: Count to Six, by Saratoga Six
3rd Dam: Countess Aura, by Halo
($65,000 Ylg ’19 KEESEP). O-Michael Dubb, Madaket Stables LLC & Michael Caruso; B-Stone Farm (KY); T-Christophe Clement; J-Manuel Franco. $82,500. Lifetime Record: GSW, 11-4-1-1, $676,000.

Plum Ali opened 2021 with a third-place effort in the Apr. 3 GII Appalachian S. at Keeneland and was second in the June 3 GII Wonder Again S. at Belmont before finishing off the board in the July 10 G1 Belmont Oaks Invitational and Aug. 8 GII Saratoga Oaks Invitational. She was coming off a fifth-place effort in the Oct. 16 G1 Sands Point S.

Skipping, a half-sister to graded winner Meribel (Peaks and Valleys), has a yearling full-sister to Plum Ali in 2020 who sold for $140,000 to trainer Jonathan Thomas at this year’s Keeneland September sale. She produced a colt by Mastery this year and was bred back to Nyquist. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Clement added, “The idea was to be 1-2-3 and, if possible, on the lead. If anybody took us on, then sit second or third. Nobody took them on and when I saw the :49 and change and 1:15, I knew she was going to be pretty tough. She’s a very nice horse.”

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The 9-5 crowd’s pick perched in an eager third down the backstretch and challenged for the lead after a quarter in :21.77. On top turning into the home straight, he repelled all challengers to win by 3/4 of a length. Home Brew (Street Sense) whistled down the winning margin in the shadow of the wire. The first foal out of his three-time winning dam, Blue Kentucky has a yearling half-brother by Normandy Invasion. Sapphire Seas, a daughter of the SP Haven’s Honey (E Dubai) and from the same family as GI Humana Distaff H. victress Mayo On the Side (French Deputy), was bred back to Hard Spun this term. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, $111,997. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners; B-Larry & Cindy Jones (KY); T-Wayne M. Catalano.

3rd-Aqueduct, $82,000, Alw, 11-14, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:18.38, gd, 2 lengths.

ABAAN (g, 4, Will Take Charge--Anchorage (MSP), by Tapit), a 7 1/2-length maiden winner over the Saratoga lawn Sept. 6, was runner-up after setting the pace in a 1 1/2-mile allowance at Belmont Oct. 10. The 4-5 favorite loped along on the front end and was let loose turning for home. He scampered clear in upper stretch and was unchallenged when reporting home two-length winner over Jarreau (Pioneerof the Nile). Abaan, a $280,000 KEESEP yearling, is a half-brother to Chip Leader (American Pharoah), GISW, $497,090, was a $35,000 OBSWIN yearling and RNA’d for $27,000 at Keeneland September before selling for $48,000 at the OBS October Yearling sale. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $54,000.

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Daigneault, Alex; B-Rosilyn Polan (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

7th-Woodbine, C$76,135, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm ($47,806-$49,798), 11-14, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:49.59, ft, 3/4 length.

WAR BOMBER (IRE) (g, 3, War Front--Sun Shower (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire)) was claimed for $25,000 from Gary Barber and ERJ Racing and trainer Mark Casse out of a winning effort over the Woodbine lawn Aug. 21 and came right back to win the Sept. 12 Toronto Cup for the new connections. He was coming off a sixth-place effort in the Oct. 23 GI Hill Prince S. at Belmont Park. The 7-2 favorite was taken in hand to settle off the pace heading into the first turn. He reeled in the runaway pacersetters approaching the stretch and surged to the lead in the dying strides to win by 3/4 lengths. Sir Sahib (Fort Larned) got the best of a host of late runners to be second. War Bomber RNA’d for $190,000 as a KEESEP yearling. The winner is a half-brother to Mull of Killough (Ire) (Mull of Kintyre), MGSW-Eng, SP-Aus, $583,787; Shivalik Showers (Ind) (Dancing Forever), MSW-Ind, $108,540; Excelebration (Ire) (Exceed And Excel (Aus)), Hwt.-Ger-at 7-9 1/2 f., Hwt. Older Horse-Ire- at 7 - 9 1/2 f., Hwt. Older Horse-Ire-at 7-9 1/2 f., MG1SW-Fr, G1SW-Eng, GSW-Ger, GSW-Ire, $2,663,259; and a full to Lancaster Bomber, Hwt. Older Horse-Ire-at 9 1/2-11f, Hwt. Older Horse-Ire-at 7-9 1/2f, G1SW-Ire, GISP-Can, MG1SP-Eng, MGISP-USA, $1,422,743. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: SW, 7-4-0-0, $132,984.

O-Bruuno Schickedanz; B-Coolmore (Ire); T-Norman McKnight.

Lynwood Stable Graduate

7th-Gulfstream, $46,000, (S), Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($12,500), 11-14, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.75, ft, 4 lengths.

UPHOLD THE LAW (c, 3, Upstart--Scribbling Sarah, by Freud) had not been out since winning his 6 1/2-furlong debut by 3 3/4 lengths at this oval Mar. 18. The 3-1 shot rushed up four wide to battle Big Daddy Dave (Khozan) through fractions of :22.32 and :45.55. Those two turned for home in tandem, but Uphold the Law powered clear inside the final furlong to score by four lengths. The winner, a half-brother to Speech (Mr Speaker), GISW, $497,090, was a $35,000 OBSWIN yearling and RNA’d for $27,000 at Keeneland September before selling for $48,000 at the OBS October Yearling sale. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $54,000.

O-Niall Brennan & Susan Moulton; B-Gail Rice (FL); T-M Stidham.

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9th-Gulfstream, $45,700, Alw (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 11-14, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.79, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

AMERICAN PRINCE (c, 3, Liam’s Map--Precious Soul, by Distorted Humor) won on debut going six furlongs at this track Feb. 28 and resurfaced to be second, beaten just a neck after setting the pace, over the same Sept. 9. He was looking to rebound from a seventh-place effort going 6 1/2 furlongs Nov. 6. The 9-2 shot on the stretch out rushed up and over from his outside post and had the early lead through a quarter in :23.32 and :45.45. He extended his advantage nearing the stretch and was never threatened while sailing home a 4 3/4-length victory. Magic Eclipse (Run Away and Hide) was second. Precious Soul, who died in 2019, was a half-sister to Irving Cowan’s multiple Grade I winner Society Selection (Coronado's Quest). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, $61,350.

O/B-Irving Cowan (KY); T-Ralph E. Nicks.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Churchill Downs, $122,852, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:38.93, gd, 1 3/4 lengths.

FAST AND FLIRTY (f, 2, Into Mischief--Speed Dating, by Not For Love), who ran a distance second in the Keeneland slop when unveiled Oct. 8, was a 2-1 proposition at post time. The favorite raced in second as a rival ran off by multiple lengths down the backside. Undeterred by the loose leader, Fast and Flirty began to cut into the leader’s advantage with a foe to her outside. They passed the pacesetter through three quarters in 1:12.82. Given a couple of left-handed taps, Fast and Flirty shook off those foes, and then withstood the hard-charging Mitigation (Into Mischief) to win by 1 3/4 lengths. The winner is a half to Split Time (Take Charge Indy), MSW, $415,950, but is the last reported foal for Speed Dating, who went to the court of Audible this spring. Sales history: $32,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT; $120,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $86,260.

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O-Bradley Thoroughbreds, Belmar Racing & Breeding, LLC, Tim & Anna Cambron & Team Hanley; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh.

6th-Churchill Downs, $108,827, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.63, my, 5 3/4 lengths.

HIGHER STANDARD (c, 2, Into Mischief--Minks Aprise {SW & MGSP-Can, MSW-USA, $300,215}, by Northern Afleet), sent off at 6-1, was hard ridden out of the gate to take the early lead, but ceded his advantage to even-money favorite Back to Normal (Liam’s Map) as the quarter went up in :21.80. He battled to retake the lead midway on the turn and he began opening up after a quarter in :45.81, powering clear to score by 5 3/4 lengths. Stirdatpot (Trinniberg) was second. Back to Normal tired to eighth. Higher Standard RNA’d for $290,000 as a KEESEP yearling and for $345,000 as an OBS March juvenile. Breeder and co-owner Doug Arnold purchased Minks Aprise for $290,000 at the 2018 Keeneland January sale. The mare’s yearling filly by American Pharoah was exported to Japan after selling for $335,000 at this year’s Keeneland September sale. She produced a filly by Uncle Mo this year and was bred back to Authentic. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO,

sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $69,460.

O-David Campbell, Douglas Arnold, Marc Winston & David Clement; B-Buck Pond Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss.

5th-Woodbine, C$105,204, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.47, ft, 2 lengths.

DUKE OF LOVE (c, 2, Cupid--Tell the Duchess, by Smart Strike) sported a steady string of works for this debut, including a five-furlong move in 1:00 4/5 (2/13) over this all-weather surface Nov. 4. Sent off as the 2-1 favorite, the bay found a good position immediately in the wake of the leading trio. Asked to improve, he moved up willingly, traded blows with Mentoring (Value Plus) as Uncle Joe (Souper Speedy) closed, but eventually scampered clear to win by two lengths, and became the 16th winner for his freshman sire (by Tapit). Uncle Joe was 1 3/4 lengths in front of Mentoring at the wire. The winner is a half-brother to a weanling colt by Danish Dynformer, and his dam visited Silent Name (Jpn) later this spring. This is the extended family of G1 Irish Derby hero Sovereign (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Sales history: $15,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $40,000 Ylg ‘20 FTKOCT; $85,000 2yo ‘21 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $49,240.

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O-MyRacehorse; B-Caldara Farm Inc., Patrick Costello, David Whitford & Tom Zwiesler (ON); T-Josie Carroll.
3rd-Del Mar, $75,700, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, 5fT, :57.21, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

SUMTER (c, 2, War Front--A Little Bit Sassy (SW & MGSP, $318,182), by More Than Ready) tired to fifth in his July 25 debut here, but improved switched to the turf with a second-place effort Sept. 2. He only missed by a nose over this course and distance Oct. 1 and was even-money to go one better Sunday afternoon. Content to hug the rail in a tracking third early, Sumpter was poised behind a :23.16 opening quarter and came calling as the field entered the straight. Switched off the fence for his stretch bid, he burst past the leaders inside the final furlong and won going away by 3 1/4 lengths. Who’s Candy (Danzing Candy) was best of the rest. Out of the SW A Little Bit Sassy who was second in both the GII Lake George S. and GI Marshua’s River S., the winner is a full to Pizzazz, SW, $123,482, and a yearling colt named Yellow Brick (Quality Road). GI Preakness S. winner Red Bullet (Unbridled) was un challenged.

2nd-Del Mar, $71,000, (S), Msw, 11-14, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.18, ft, 1 length.

PROFESSORS’ PRIDE (f, 2, Bayern--Last Resort, by Twirling Candy) showed a sizzling Santa Anita worktab for this unveling, capped by a five-furlong bullet in :59 4/5 (1/33) Nov. 11, and was accordingly backed to 8-5 from a 6-1 morning-line quote. Stalking the pace in the clear from third through a :22.26 quarter, the $60,000 Fasig-Tipton October grad went on with it past a half in :45.79, was quickly confronted by favored Bold Choice (Grazen), but kept that rival at bay through the lane under minimal urging for a one-length success. The winner’s dam was bred to Country House this spring. Sales History: $60,000 Ylg ’20 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $42,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

6th-Aqueduct, $70,000, (S), Msw, 11-14, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.46, my, 1 3/4 lengths.

SWINTON (g, 3, Maclean’s Music--What a Score (SP), by Terrell) opened up a five-length advantage in upper stretch before settling for second in his six-furlong debut at Belmont Oct. 24 and he was claimed for $25,000 from breeder Windylea Farm and trainer Richard Schosberg out of that effort. The 3-1 shot rushed up to take the early lead and set the pace through fractions of :22.71 and :46.72, he opened up a clear lead in upper stretch and held on to graduate by 1 3/4 lengths over a closing Forty Comets (Forty Tales). What a Score produced a colt by Holy Boss this year and was bred back to that stallion. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

5th-Laurel, $59,110, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:39.53, ft, head.

SOFIA’S SECRET (f, 2, Peace and Justice--Rosedale Arch, by Arch) was never in the mix while finishing 12th in her 1 1/16-mile debut over the Laurel turf Oct. 7. Sent off at 8-1, the dark bay filly was off slowly and trailed the field early. She began picking off foes on the far turn, but was still 15 lengths back entering the stretch. With nowhere to run behind rivals in upper stretch, she found a narrow seam with a furlong to run closed determinedly to just get her head in front on the line. Surya (Street Sense) was second. Sofia’s Secret was a $25,000 EASOCT yearling. Rosedale Arch has a yearling filly by Peace and Justice and a weanling colt by Summer Front. She was bred back to Peace and Justice this year. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Roadrunner Racing & William Strauss; B-William Humphries & Altair Farms LLC (KY); T-Doug F. O’Neill.

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O-BTR Racing, Inc. & Robert C Pruet, Jr.; B-A1A Racing & Jay Bligh (PA); T-Brittany T. Russell.
5th-Gulfstream, $45,000, (S), Msw, 11-14, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:05.27, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

SO DETERMINED (c, 2, Into Mischief--Mimi's Tiz, by Tiznow), an $875,000 KEESEP yearling, overcame a slow start to be a late-closing second over this track and trip in his Oct. 2 unveiling. The 3-5 favorite was hustled early to maintain a position among the chasing pack behind a pair of runaway pacers through an opening quarter of :22.06. He reeled in the leaders on the turn and rolled up four wide into the lane to take over after a half in :46.33 before striding clear to win by 4 1/2 lengths.

Agarramesipuedes (Jess's Dream) closed late to be second. Mimi's Tiz produced a colt by Bolt d’Oro in 2020. With no reported foal this year, she was bred to Authentic this spring.

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O-Repole Stable & St. Elias Stable; B-Loren Nichols (FL); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

4th-Hawthorne, $23,760, Msw, 11-14, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:13.03, ft, 3 lengths.

GREEN BANANAS (f, 2, Midnight Lute--Un Eclair, by Pioneerof the Nile), sent off at 8-5, was well off the early pace, but loomed a threat nearing the stretch. She rolled up four wide into the lane and strode to the lead inside the final furlong before striding clear to win by three lengths. Journeyist (Tourist) was second. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $13,200.

O/B-Wendell Yates (KY); T-Steve Manley.

FIRST & SECOND-CROP RUNNERS

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

2021 Stud Fees Listed

American Freedom (Pulpit), Airdrie Stud, $6,000
125 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Remington, 5:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Freedom Flash, 12-1
$20,000 KEE NOV wnl; $18,000 KEE SEP yrl; $19,000 OBS OPN 2yo 5-Remington, 5:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Liberty Spirit, 8-1

Gun Runner (Candy Ride {Arg}), Three Chimneys Farm, $50,000
127 foals of racing age/20 winners/5 black-type winners
5-Remington, 5:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Ruggs, 3-1
$110,000 KEE SEP yrl; $170,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Hollywood Don (Tapit)
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Zia, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Miss Bright Town, 6-1

Mr. Z (Malibu Moon), Calumet Farm, $2,500
43 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Mahoning Valley, 1:12 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, The Pink Z, 6-1

Proceed (Desert God), A & A Ranch, $1,500
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Zia, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Desert Spirit, 2-1
9-Zia, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, La Diamant, 12-1

Wildcat Red (D'wildcat), Buck Pond Farm, $7,500
18 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Mahoning Valley, 1:12 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Wildcat Bill, 4-1
$26,000 OTB OMX yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, NOV. 15

2021 Stud Fees Listed

Marking (Bernardini), A & A Ranch, $3,500
51 foals of racing age/13 winners/5 black-type winners
9-Zia, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Marked by a Storm, 6-1

IN UAE:

STAKES RESULTS:


2--Boundtobebad, 123, f, 4, Windsor Castle--Bound To, by Boundary. O-John A. Casey; B-Taylor Mountain Farm (WV); T-John A. Casey. $15,240.

3--Door Buster, 121, f, 3, Speightster--Miss Henny Penny, by Half Ours. ($25,000 Ylg '19 EASOCT). O-Jay A. Reese; B-Catherine K Jennings & Scott Mallory (WV); T-Ollie L. Figgins, III. $8,382.

Margins: 3, 3/4, NK. Odds: 0.10, 31.60, 18.10.

POWERLESS S., (NB) $65,700, Hawthorne, 11-13, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.81, ft.

1--RACETOTHEFINISH, 118, f, 4, Race Day--Tribute to Momma, by He's a Tough Cat. O-Charles W. Ritter; B-George E. Bates Trustee (IL); T-Scott Becker; J-Victor Santiago. $39,420. Lifetime Record: 10-6-2-2, $120,282.

2--W W Fitzy, 121, m, 5, Well Positioned--Stormy Fitz, by Stormy Atlantic. O-Contreras Stable, Inc. & Randy Wientjes; B-William P. Stritzl (IL); T-Cipriano Contreras. $13,140.


Margins: HF, HF, 2 3/4. Odds: 15.70, 0.90, 2.10.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-Woodbine, C$83,607, 11-14, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:09.78, gd, 1 3/4 lengths.

SANDY BAY (g, 6, Animal Kingdom--Cotton Bay (SP), by El Corredor) Lifetime Record: 20-4-6-3, $204,697. O-TEC Racing (Elliot S. Logan); B-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc. (ON); T-Martin Drexler. *$110,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. **1/2 to Perfect Pic (Candy Ride {Arg}), GSP, $135,445.

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GOLDEN NUGGET S., $63,450, Golden Gate Fields, 11-13, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:11.51, ft.

1--DR PESCADO, 122, c, 2, Fullbridled--Sweetly Peppered (MSP, $221,400), by Peppercat. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Ruben Archiga & Felix Rondan; B-Juan Heredia (CA); T-Felix Rondan; J-Pedro M. Terrero. $39,250. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $59,668.

2--Stanford Bay, 122, c, 2, Stanford--Curvy Cat, by Ministers Wild Cat. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA); T-Jonathan Wong. $13,000.

3--C’Mon Man, 122, g, 2, Tourist--Table Jumper, by Jump Start. ($8,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Sharon Broetzman, Chris Carpenter, Cheryl Hauck, Bill McLean & Doug Planchon; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Bill McLean. $6,000.

8th-Laurel, $57,680, (C)/Opt. Clm ($40,000-$50,000), 11-14, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.72, ft, head.

**BATTLE STATION** (g, 6, Warrior’s Reward—Uriel, by Unbridled)
Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 41-8-8-5, $625,075. O-Robert D. Bone & Edward J. Brown Jr.; B-Lansdowne Thoroughbreds (NY); T-Daniel Velazquez. *$50,000 Wlg ‘15 KEENOV.

6th-Laurel, $53,560, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($28,000-$35,000), 11-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:03.93, ft, nose.

**WHISKEY AND RYE** (f, 3, Maclean’s Music—Ava G, by Afternoon Deelites)
Lifetime Record: 14-3-1-1, $120,540. O-Mens Grille Racing; B-Alex Venneri Racing, LLC (KY); T-Hamilton A. Smith. *$150,000 2yo ‘20 EASMAY.

7th-Laurel, $42,800, (C), 11-14, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43.55, ft, 3 lengths.

**AWARD WANTED** (f, 4, Macho Uno—Touring Hong Kong {SP, $156,686}, by Cherokee’s Boy)
Lifetime Record: 18-4-4-3, $129,027. O-No Guts No Glory Farm & Erica Upton; B-Alexandro Rubim Dias (MD); T-John J. Robb. *1/2 to V. I. P. Ticket (Windsor Castle), MSW, $310,195.

10th-Zia, $39,000, (S), 11-14, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:52.61, fm, 3/4 length.

**PUNCTUAL ALARM** (f, 3, Punctuate—Sa Moken Alarm, by Desert God)
Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-0-2, $91,988. O/Holly & David Wilson, Siena Farm LLC, Gary Stevens & Asmussenequine.com; B-Siena Farms LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

8th-Remington, $36,301, 11-13, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.86, ft, 3 lengths.

**DRIVEHAPPY** (c, 3, Runhappy—Entrustment (GSP), by Forestry)
Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-0-2, $91,988. O-Holly & David Wilson, Siena Farm LLC, Gary Stevens & Asmussenequine.com; B-Siena Farms LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

1st-Remington, $36,300, 11-13, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:52.61, fm, 3/4 length.

**QUINN ELLA** (f, 4, Stephanotis—Anna Bird Rulez, by Sharp Humor)
Lifetime Record: 28-7-7-6, $146,441. O-Joe A Castilio; B-B B Auger & R Bacon (BC); T-R Cravens, III. *C$34,000 RNA Ylg ’18 ALBMIX. **1/2 to Suzette (Overanalyze), SW, $109,178.

7th-Remington, $36,300, 11-13, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41.22, ft, neck.

**BOBBIN TAIL** (f, 3, Tale of Ekati—Bobbin' Robin, by Indian Charlie)
Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-2, $100,778. O/B-Janet Culp Tracy Haymes (NM); T-Joel H. Marr.

6th-Charles Town, $30,800, (S), 11-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:27.58, ft, neck.

**GRECIAN ADMIRAL** (g, 4, Mr. Prankster—Simon Slew (MSW, $155,651), by Native Slew)

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**
- Miacomet, c, 3, *Flatter*—Rebelle, by *Hard Spun*. Churchill Downs, 11-13, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:47.00. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $36,140. B-Indian Creek & Mill Pond Bloodstock (KY). *$1,900 RNA Ylg ’19 FTCAyR.

**BORN AND RAISED AT MIA GALLO’S BEAUTIFUL BLUE STONE FARM**


**Sure Shot Shelly**, f, 3, *Dialed In*—L R Reckless, by Henny Hughes. Remington, 11-13, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.66. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $29,489. B-Eureka Thoroughbred Farm (OK). *$7,500 RNA Ylg ’19 TTAMIX.

**Good Old Faithful**, c, 3, *Old Topper*—Don’t Lose Faith, by Ministers Wild Cat. Golden Gate Fields, 11-14, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.86. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $31,200. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA).


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Animal Kingdom, Sandy Bay, g, 6, o/o Cotton Bay, by El Corredor. ALW, 11-14, Woodbine
Bayern, Professors' Pride, f, 2, o/o Last Resort, by Twirling Candy. MSW, 11-14, Woodbine
Bourbon Courage, Pederson's Courage, g, 3, o/o Dwelling Place, by Forest Camp. WMC, 11-14, Laurel
Central Banker, Top of the Mint, g, 5, o/o One Wise Cowgirl, by Wiseman's Ferry. WMC, 11-14, Aqueduct
Creative Cause, Star of Night, f, 4, o/o Splendiferous Moon, by Malibu Moon. My Sister Pearl S., 11-13, Charles Town
Cupid, Duke of Love, c, 2, o/o Tell the Duchess, by Smart Strike. MSW, 11-14, Woodbine
Dialed In, Sure Shot Shelly, f, 3, o/o L T Reckless, by Henny Hughes. MSW, 11-13, Remington
Distorted Humor, Durante, c, 2, o/o Seahawk Girl, by Pioneerof the Nile. MSW, 11-14, Del Mar
Dramedy, Mighty Heart, c, 4, o/o Emma's Bullseye, by City Place. Gil Autumn S., 11-14, Woodbine
Empire Maker, Messier, c, 2, o/o Checkered Past, by Smart Strike. Gill Bob Hope S., 11-14, Del Mar
First Samurai, Plum Ali, f, 3, o/o Skipping, by Stroll. Winter Memories S., 11-14, Aqueduct
Flatter, Miacomet, c, 3, o/o Rebelle, by Hard Spun. MCL, 11-14, Churchill Downs
Freud, Hezastanecoldfox, g, 2, o/o Shezastanecoldingo, by Lonhro (Aus). MSW, 11-14, Aqueduct
Fullbridled, Dr Pescado, c, 2, o/o Sweetly Peppered, by Peppered Cat. Golden Nugget S., 11-13, Golden Gate
Include, Blue Kentucky, g, 2, o/o Sapphire Seas, by Proud Citizen. ALW, 11-14, Churchill Downs
Into Mischief, Fast and Flirty, f, 2, o/o Speed Dating, by Not For Love. MSW, 11-14, Churchill Downs
Into Mischief, Higher Standard, c, 2, o/o Minks Aprise, by Northern Afleet. MSW, 11-14, Churchill Downs
Into Mischief, So Determined, c, 2, o/o Mimi’s Tiz, by Tiznow. MSW, 11-14, Gulfstream
Lemon Drop Kid, King Angelo, c, 4, o/o Cupid’s Arrow, by Awesome Again. ALW, 11-14, Aqueduct
Liam's Map, American Prince, c, 3, o/o Precious Soul, by Distorted Humor. AOC, 11-14, Gulfstream
Macho Uno, Award Wanted, f, 4, o/o Touring Hong Kong, by Cherokee's Boy. ALW, 11-14, Laurel
Maclean's Music, Swinton, g, 3, o/o What a Score, by Terrell. MSW, 11-14, Aqueduct
Maclean's Music, Whiskey and Rye, f, 3, o/o Ava G, by Afternoon Deelites. AOC, 11-14, Laurel
Midnight Lute, Green Bananas, f, 2, o/o Un Eclair, by Pioneerof the Nile. MSW, 11-14, Hawthorne
Mr. Prankster, Grecian Admiral, g, 4, o/o Simon Slew, by Native Slew. ALW, 11-13, Charles Town
My Golden Song, My Golden M, g, 4, o/o Early M, by Early Flyer. MSW, 11-13, Remington
Old Topper, Good Old Faithful, c, 3, o/o Don’t Lose Faith, by Ministers Wild Cat. MSW, 11-14, Golden Gate
Peace and Justice, Sofia’s Secret, f, 2, o/o Rosedale Arch, by Arch. MSW, 11-14, Laurel
Phantom Wildcat, Half Hoping, f, 3, o/o Lucky Lass, by Red Bullet. MSW, 11-14, Golden Gate
Punctuate, Punctual Alarm, f, 3, o/o Sa Moken Alarm, by Desert God. ALW, 11-14, Zia
Race Day, Racetothefinish, f, 4, o/o Tribute to Momma, by He's a Tough Cat. Powerless S., 11-13, Hawthorne
Runhappy, Drivehappy, c, 3, o/o Entrustment, by Forestry. ALW, 11-13, Remington
Shackleford, Greg's Diva, f, 4, o/o Diva From Dixie, by Dixieland Band. AOC, 11-14, Del Mar
Stephanotis, Quinn Ella, f, 4, o/o Anna Bird Rulez, by Sharp Humor. ALW, 11-13, Remington
Strong Mandate, American Mandate, h, 5, o/o Pebble Hill, by Lemon Drop Kid. AOC, 11-14, Churchill Downs
Tale of Ekati, Bobbin Tail, f, 3, o/o Bobbin’ Robin, by Indian Charlie. ALW, 11-13, Remington
Upstart, Uphold the Law, c, 3, o/o Scribbling Sarah, by Freud. AOC, 11-14, Gulfstream
War Front, Sumter, c, 2, o/o A Little Bit Sassy, by More Than Ready. MSW, 11-14, Del Mar
War Front, War Bomber (Ire), g, 3, o/o Sun Shower (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire). AOC, 11-14, Woodbine
Warrior's Reward, Battle Station, g, 6, o/o Uriel, by Unbridled. AOC, 11-14, Laurel
Will Take Charge, Abaan, g, 4, o/o Anchorage, by Tapit. ALW, 11-14, Aqueduct
Will Take Charge, Divine Leader, g, 4, o/o Divine Trick, by Divine Park. STR, 11-14, Churchill Downs
PLYING A GAME-CHANGER FOR JOSSESTOWN FARM

By Kelsey Riley

In life and in bloodstock, the confluence of a few small factors-decisions that may seem minute at the time—can quickly amalgamate into life-changing moments.

Like, for instance, when Martin Cooney and Elaine Shaw opted to raise their hands at €21,000 during the 2018 Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale on an 8-year-old daughter of Hard Spun whose first two foals had not yet found the winner's enclosure; while, simultaneously, another bidder hesitated, and ultimately changed their mind too late.

“Too late, sir,” the auctioneer called, hammering Plying down to Jossestown Farm.

Three years later, Plying will make the return trip from Jossestown Farm in Fethard to the Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale on Friday under much different circumstances. Bidders will be much less hesitant on the mare, in foal to Lope De Vega (Ire) (lot 1185), who is now a multiple stakes producer and the dam of triple Group 1 winner Alcohol Free (Ire) (No Nay Never). And the final price will be many multiples of what Cooney and Shaw paid for her.

“We'll be sad to see her go,” Cooney admitted. “She's part of the furniture at this stage, but she's worth a lot of money, we hope, and that money could do a lot for us going forward.”

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TUNNES PREVAILS IN KREFELD THRILLER

Holger Renz's Tunnes (Ger) (Guiliani {Ire}), who had debuted with a second tackling one mile at Cologne in September, was fresh off a breakthrough success back there last month and continued on an upward trajectory with a career in Sunday’s G3 Grosser Preis der Wohnstatte Krefeld - Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen at Krefeld.

The 6-4 favourite was well away to track the tempo in second from the outset of this, Germany’s final pattern race of the year. Bustled along to challenge Ariolo (Ger) (Reliable Man {GB}) in early straight, he was unrelenting under whipless cajoling inside the final quarter mile and denied that pacesetting rival on the nod after a nip-and-tuck tussle.

Pedigree Notes

Tunnes is the fourth of five foals and one of two scorers out of a half-sister to three black-type performers headed by the G2 Diana-Trial victrix Tusked Wings (Ire) (Adlerflug {Ger}) and last week's G3 St Leger Italiano runner-up Tangut (Ger).

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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

TYGART, USADA OUT TO CLEAN UP THE GAME

Bill Finley focuses on the potential impact USADA and its CEO Travis Tygart will have on U.S. horse racing through HISA in The Week in Review. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.
Plying Cont. from p1

Cooney, who has dabbled in many facets of the business including riding over jumps and working under the likes of PJ Colville—"a great horseman and person to have on your side"—Mouse Morris, Enda Bolger and Harry Fry, has more recently turned his focus back to Jossestown Farm, where he grew up, with hopes of growing his business of breeding and pinhooking a few National Hunt horses to boarding mares and consigning for clients. A Starspangledbanner (Aus) filly and Dandy Man (Ire) colt sold out of Plying have already helped further than dream, and Cooney acknowledged that capital gained from the sale of Plying would take Jossestown Farm to the next level.

"She’s one in a million and they’re hard to come across," said Cooney. "As Jossestown Farm is only starting out you’d love to keep her, but if she’s to fetch a huge sum of money it could do a lot for us. I’m after putting up a barn and I want to take in horses for clients and do a bit of everything. I like consigning and pinhooking. I have a few mares for boarding, so I want to go down that line. You need a proper facility and I have that just about finished now. That kind of money would finish it off."

Cooney and Shaw—who currently works at Kiltinan Castle Stud foaling and prepping yearlings after a six-year tenure with Coolmore—arrived at Goffs in November of 2018 "with the idea of buying a mare that would produce you foals and turn over a bit of money." From an initial shortlist of five they narrowed it down to two, and after the first went above their budget, it was down to Plying.

Bred by Rabbah out of the listed-placed Fairy King mare Nasaieb (Ire), Plying was knocked down to Mark Johnston for $200,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale as a yearling before ultimately going into training with Henri-Alex Pantall for Sheikh Mohammed. Cont. p3
Plying Cont.

Plying started six times at two in 2013, winning twice at Toulouse and once at ParisLongchamp over 1300 and 1400 metres. Offered by Darley at that year’s Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale, Plying was bought by Churchtown House Stud through BBA Ireland for €12,000. Michael Gaffney’s Churchtown House was, in fact, getting back into the family, having bred Plying’s dam Nasaieb and having sold her to Saeed Manana for 100,000gns as a yearling. Gaffney bred Plying’s first four foals, Alcohol Free being the last, before putting both Plying and Alcohol Free, as a foal, into the Goffs November Sale of 2018. Plying was bought by Cooney and Shaw for €21,000 in foal to Starspangledbanner, while Alcohol Free fetched €40,000 from Jeff Smith’s Littleton Stud the day before her dam sold.

Though Plying’s first two foals had not yet won at the time of their dam’s third trip through a sales ring, Cooney said it was the quality of her prior coverings that stood out to he and Shaw.

“A Plying had had a couple of foals before she went for sale,” he said. “She had had a Camelot, a Zoffany, and Alcohol Free was sold the day before she was. So she had those coverings that we probably couldn’t afford, and those sires would have a great chance of producing a winner. That was why she looked inviting, plus she had a Starspangledbanner in the belly, so we were thinking that if she had an any way good-looking foal, and even if it was a filly, she’d nearly pay for the mare quick enough.”

“There were probably five mares we honed in on,” Cooney added. “It came down to two. We went in after one and she made too much money. We went back and looked at Plying again, and it was down to her. Luckily enough the hammer dropped in time; I actually think there was someone else trying to get a bid in.” Cont. p4
IN THE RING
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TÜNNES
Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen,
Group 3

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FEED THE DIFFERENCE
Cooney’s and Shaw’s logic of leaning on Plying’s past coverings soon proved out. The mare’s second foal, Alexander James (Ire) (Camelot (GB)), won three times the following season including Chantilly’s Listed Prix le Fabuleux. The following February, Plying’s Starspangledbanner filly made €40,000 at the Goffs February Sale, having missed her original date at Goffs November after colicking on the day of the sale. She was eventually pinhooked by Knockatrina House Stud for 130,000gns and is now in the care of John and Jess Dance, but the €40,000 she brought for Cooney and Shaw nonetheless covered the cost of both Plying and her next mating, to Dandy Man, “so it was like having a free mare,” Cooney reasoned.

Those results alone would have meant a job well done, but just a few months later along came Alcohol Free to rewrite the entire script.

A debut winner for trainer Andrew Balding in August of 2020, the bay filly was second next out in the G3 Dick Poole S., which would have itself been a welcome result for Team Jossestown. What came next, however, changed their lives in a little more than 1:42: battling the speedy Miss Amulet (Ire) (Sir Prancealot (Ire)) up the Newmarket straight, Alcohol Free took the overall advantage well out in the G1 Cheveley Park S. but nonetheless held off all comers to win by a half-length.

Three months later, Cooney and Shaw sold their Dandy Man colt out of Plying at last year’s Goffs November Foal Sale for €80,000 to Joe Foley, who is retaining him to race. They took the word of Balding, who insisted Alcohol Free’s Cheveley Park win was not a one-off, and held onto Plying, who was in foal to Gleneagles (Ire). Plying produced a filly this spring—which Cooney described as “probably the best foal she’s had so far”—before visiting Lope De Vega.

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Plying Cont.

Balding’s prediction proved correct and Alcohol Free held up her end of the bargain, winning this year’s G1 Coronation S. and G1 Sussex S. to establish herself among the very best of her generation, male or female.

“It’s hard to explain,” Cooney said of the excitement of following Alcohol Free. “You’re kind of nervous watching, hoping and praying that it might actually happen, but kind of in the back of your mind you’re thinking, ‘are you half mad? It probably won’t happen.’ You start doubting it as you get closer.”

Alcohol Free’s ascent has also provided solace for the Cooney family, with Martin’s father Jim having been tragically killed in a car accident less than two weeks after Alcohol Free’s Coronation S. win.

“Dad would have got a huge kick out of that,” Cooney said. “He passed away this year and he was a big part of the whole operation. He would be the reason I got into horses. He was a great horseman and was great with his animals. Even watching him watching, it would give me a huge kick.”

Cooney said that seeing the pride his father took in Plying was as rewarding as anything Alcohol Free accomplished on the racecourse.

“To be honest, watching the big smiling face on him going out to the mare would excite me as much as watching her races,” he said. “He liked breeding National Hunt foals, he had one or two nice ones but he never had anything like that mare. He would have treated Plying as his own; he’d have been watching her like a hawk.”

While one chapter comes to a close with Plying bidding farewell to Jossestown Farm, another is very much being written. Cont. p6

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Profitable’s second-crop yearlings have outsold his first, with a bigger top price and a higher average. And here’s why: a huge haul of first-crop winners led by G2 Queen Mary winner Quick Suzy, plus Stakes winners Head Mistress over 5f and Mr Professor over a mile.

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Plying Cont.
Thanks in large part to her contributions, the future looks bright at the Cooney family's farm.

“I suppose I had it in the back of my mind that my father probably wanted me to come home and take over the family farm, so to be honest it was always in my head to come home,” Cooney said. “To be honest I live and breathe Jossestown Farm. I spend night and day on it.

“Myself and Elaine went to buy Plying with the idea of buying a mare that would produce you foals and turn over a bit of money, and it turned out that we bought a queen. She’s one in a million and I might never see one like her again.”

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Tunnes Cont. from p1
The April-foaled chestnut is a half-brother to MG1SW G1 Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe hero and G1 Deutsches Derby runner-up Torquator Tasso (Ger) (Adlerflug {Ger}), a yearling filly by Adlerflug (Ger) and a weanling colt by Adlerflug (Ger). His third dam, Listed Prix Occitanie runner-up Turbaine (Trempolino), is also the dam of Guiliani’s sire Tertullian (Miswaki) which gives Tunnes a 3x3 inbreeding to Turbaine. Turbaine is a half-sister to G1 Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe-winning blue hen Urban Sea (Miswaki).
SEAMUS DURACK APPOINTED TRAINER OF PRINCIPLE RACING

Seamus Durack has been named as the employed trainer of Principle Racing and will train out of Newlands Stables in Upper Lambourn. Durack, who rode 500 winners during his career in the saddle, first took out a licence in 2011. Principle Racing’s Ritchie Fiddes recently purchased Newlands. Principle Racing was formed earlier in 2021 by Ritchie and his fiancée Hazel. Durack will have a dual-purpose licence, and will begin with around 30 horses in training with the long-term aim to build up to 50 head. The Newlands property already has 76 stables on site.

“Due to our use of data and marginal gains it was crucial for us to find either a new trainer or existing trainer who bought into or already used modern methods to maximise performance and welfare,” said Fiddes, who sold his share of an IT company in 2013. “Seamus actually approached us about working together on the same day we were planning on approaching him.

“In addition to Seamus being a successful jump jockey and achieving very good results under both codes with a relatively small string, he uses the same technology as ourselves to monitor all training and has exactly the same methods of managing diets and nutrition as we do.

“We plan on growing to 40 to 50 horses in a controlled way which allows us to focus on individual care and training programmes whilst helping our owners to trade up by increasing the quality of their horses, which will in turn increase the quality of horses we are able to train.

“The key advantages are that myself, Hazel and Seamus can work as a team spreading the workload using our skills and experience to ensure the horses receive the best possible care and our owners receive a great service which is also value for money.”

Durack said, “I am happy to be teaming up with Ritchie and Hazel at Principle Racing and returning to Newlands Stables where I started training.

“Ritchie and Hazel have great ambitions and an enthusiastic, methodical approach. I like the fact that they are focussed on providing owners with as rewarding and enjoyable an experience as possible. It’s a great opportunity and it will be nice to be involved as part of a team effort which hopefully will benefit all involved, including the horses, owners and staff.

“I’m looking forward to starting next week with a small team of horses and adding to the numbers over the next few months. There are several horses in line to be sent to us and the plan is to be active at sales through the early part of 2022 and going forward.”

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Monday, Nov. 15, 2021:

FRANCE

Al Wukair (Ire) (Dream Ahead), Haras de Bouquetot
74 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
2-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, Wukolina (Fr)
€25,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2020; €13,000 Arqana Deauville February Mixed Sale 2021

Wings of Eagles (Fr) (Pour Moi {Ire}), The Beeches Stud
37 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner
2-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, Jolienene (Fr)

FRANCE

Sunday’s Results:

GRAND PRIX DE MARSEILLE RADIO STAR-Listed, €60,000, Marseille-Borely, 11-14, 3yo/up, 10fT, 2:06.65, vhy.
1--PALUS ARGENTEUS (FR), 126, c, 4, Silver Frost (Ire)--Cinder’s Post (Fr), by American Post (GB). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.
(€20,000 RNA Ylg ’17 OSASEP). O-Thierry Marechal, Armand Dahan, Gildas Martin, Pierre Goral & Anthony Pinet; B-Alain Darroux, Pascal Noue, Maxime Darroux & Poulinieres.com (Fr); T-Christophe Escuder; J-Mickael Barzalona. €30,000.
Lifetime Record: 36-7-9-5, €192,865.

2--Top Max (Fr), 126, g, 5, Joshua Tree (Ire)--Risky Nizzy (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). O-Patrice Nicolet, Alban de Mieulle, Mlle Ingrid Pantall, Francisco Perez Gonzalez, Mme Odette Fau & Roger de Mieulle; B-Ecurie Haras de Quetieville (Fr); T-Henri-Alex Pantall. €12,000.

3--Paco (Ire), 122, c, 3, Paco Boy (Ire)--Momo No Sekku (Fr), by Leroidesanimaux (Brz). O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (IRE); T-Jerome Reynier. €9,000.
Margins: 1, NK, 10. Odds: 2.70, 3.20, 4.70.
Also Ran: Stormy Pouss (Fr), Pao Alto (Fr), Azachop (Fr).

Palus Argenteus finished off the board three times at this level before plundering an Oct. 1 Saint-Cloud handicap and lined up here coming back off a seventh in the Oct. 30 Listed Grand Prix de Nantes. Holding sway from the outset, he was scrubbed along rounding the home turn and rallied gamely under continued urging once headed by Top Max approaching the final furlong to regain the upper hand in the dying strides for a career high.

Palus Argenteus is the third foal of five and first stakes scorer out of Cinder’s Post (Fr) (American Post (GB)), herself a winning half-sister to stakes-winning G3 Prix du Lys third Norse Prize (Fr) (Norse Dancer {Ire}). The February-foaled bay’s third dam, G3 Musidora S. runner-up Spot Prize (Seattle Dancer), also produced G2 Prix de Kergraway scorer Gold Medalist (GB) (Zilzal) and MGSP Listed Upavon Fillies' S. victrix Premier Prize (GB) (Selkirk). Cont. p9

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Desert Emperor (GB), g, 4, Camelot (GB)--Praia (Ger) (MSP-Ger), by Big Shuffle. Wolverhampton, 11-13, 12f 51y (AWT), 2:37.90. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GB). *280,000gns Ylg ’18 TATOCT; 16,000gns 3yo ’20 TATAHI. **1/2 to Potemkin (Ger) (New Approach {Ire}), Hwt. Older Horse-Ity at 9.5-11f, G1SW-Ity, MGSW & MG1SP-Ger, GSW-Fr, $718,422; and to Paraisa (GB) (Red Ransom), SW & MGSP-Ger.
Listed Grand Prix de Mareille Radio Star Cont.

Premier Prize is the dam of G2 Grand Prix de Deauville winner Cocktail Queen (Ire) Motivator (GB) as well as being the second dam of last year’s G3 Premio Parioli victor Cima Emergency (Ire) (Canford Cliffs (Ire)) and Listed International Trial S. winner Sea of Flames (GB) (Aqlaam (GB)). Cinder’s Post has the unraced 2-year-old colt Moise du Houley (Fr) (Birchwood (Ire)) to come.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:
1st-Marseille-Borely, €27,000, Cond, 11-14, 2yo, 9fT, 1:59.44, vhy.
ROCK BOY (FR) (c, 2, Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)–Frasque (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB)) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €21,500. O-Serge Mayan, Guy-Roger Petit, Michel Perret, Ecurie Ascot, Christian Faure, Henry Salemme, Richard Olivier, Richard Chotard, Serge Tardy, Thierry Gagliano, Ecurie des Dragons & Mme Elisabeth Mezquita; B-Legendary Rent Club (FR); T-Richard Chotard.

*€16,000 Ylg ’20 AROCT. **1/2 to Alastor (Ire) (Helmet (Aus)), GSP-Ity & SP-Fr, $128,351.

3rd-Marseille-Borely, €24,000, Cond, 11-14, 3yo, 9fT, 1:56.81, vhy.
JAS HENNESSY (FR) (f, 3, Air Chief Marshal (Ire)–Kitty d’Argos (Fr), by Ecossais (Fr)) Lifetime Record: 9-3-4-0, €47,360. O/B-Franck Benavides (FR); T-Christophe Escuder.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**€30,000 Ylg ’20 AROCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
A Kind Magic (GB), f, 2, Night of Thunder (Ire)–Amami (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. Krefeld, 11-14, 6 1/2fT, 1:24.42. B-Norris Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *£37,000 Ylg ’20 GOUKPR; 15,000gns RNA 2yo ’21 TATBRE.

Sarriga (Ger), f, 3, Arrigo (Ger)–Shire’s Red (Ger), by Zollner (Ger). Krefeld, 11-14, 10 1/4fT, 2:13.55. B-Axel Horst (GER).

KIZUNA SIRES FIRST G1SW IN QE CUP

by Heather Anderson

Unconsidered in Sunday’s G1 Queen Elizabeth Cup at Hanshin, Akai Ito (Jpn) (Kizuna (Jpn)) gave her sire his first Group 1 winner at 63-1. The 2200-metre contest featured 17 fillies and mares, and Akai Ito was the 10th choice.

Breaking a touch slowly, the dark bay raced in 13th for much of the journey, as Shamrock Hill (Jpn) (Kizuna (Jpn)) laid out fractions of :22.90, :46.60 and 1:11.30 while chased by Rose Amour (Jpn) (Rose Kingdom (Jpn)). Shamrock Hill’s lead began to look tenuous with less than 600 metres remaining as a host of rivals took aim on the pacesetter.

Sweeping six wide into the home straight, Akai Ito made a bold move as favoured Lei Papale (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)) took command. The Koji Oka colourbearer closed the door on the bid of Akaitorino Musume (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)), collared Lei Papale 200 metres from the wire and held firm to win going away. Stellaria (Jpn) (Kizuna (Jpn)) closed to take second two lengths behind, and it was a neck to Clavel (Jpn) (Epiphaneia (Jpn)) in third. Soft Fruit (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)) was an equal measure back in fourth.

“As she seemed to be a bit tense when I trained her the other day, I tried to race her in her own rhythm,” said jockey Hideaki Miyuki, who was winning his eighth Group 1. Cont. p10
G1 Queen Elizabeth Cup Cont.

He added, "Though I could not break her smoothly out of the gate, I was able to eventually race her in the intended position at the backstretch. I was confident that she will stretch well at the end and, because it was a Group 1 race, I made [my] bid earlier than usual. We were able to take the front earlier than I had expected and, as there was no horse right behind us, I just kept on urging her to go until [we won]."

A winner of the Nishio Tokubetsu at Chukyo in January, Akai Ito ran second dropped back to 1800 metres in the Asuka S. over this course on Feb. 13. Third in the local 2000-metre Kyobashi S. in April, she reported home second in the A.T.C. Sydney Trophy returned to Chukyo on May 22. Given one more run to her spring campaign, the 4-year-old filly won the June 20 Tarumi S. here and was put away until the autumn. She warmed up for this with a seventh in the Oct. 16 G2 Ireland Trophy Fuchu Himba S.

Pedigree Notes

Kizuna celebrated his 16th black-type winner and first Group 1 winner with Akai Ito’s victory. His 10 group winners were previously led by three-time Group 2 winner Deep Bond (Jpn), who won the G2 Prix Foy earlier this autumn. Akai Ito is bred on the same cross as G2 Fuji S. heroine Songline (Jpn), who is also out of a Symboli Kris S mare, and she is Symboli Kris S’s second Group 1 winner in that sphere after Rey de Oro (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}). One of two winners out of the dual scorer Wadjet, Akai Ito is followed by the placed 3-year-old full-sister Enishino Uta (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}), and a weanling half-sister by Screen Hero (Jpn).

FIRST GROUP 1 WINNER FOR SIRE
Sunday, Hanshin, Japan
QUEEN ELIZABETH CUP-G1, ¥ 204,660,000, Hanshin, 11-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 2200mT, 2:12.10, fm.
1--AKAI ITO (JPN), 123, f, 4, by Kizuna (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Wadjet (Jpn), by Symboli Kris S
   2nd Dam: Reach to Peace, by Mud Route
   3rd Dam: Waki Betty, by Miswaki
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.
O-Koji Oka; B-Tsuji Farm (Jpn); T-Kazuya Nakatake; J-Hideaki Miyuki. ¥108,612,000. Lifetime Record: 20-5-4-1. Werk Nick Rating: A+++.*Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Stellaria (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Kizuna (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Pollenator (Ire), by Motivator (GB)
   2nd Dam: Ceanothus (Ire), by Bluebird
   3rd Dam: Golden Bloom (Ire), by Main Reef (GB)
O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shiraoi Farm (Jpn); ¥43,092,000.
3--Clavel (Jpn), 123, f, 4, Epiphaneia (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Dia de la Madre (Jpn), by King Kamehameha (Jpn)
   2nd Dam: Dia de la Novia (Jpn), by Sunday Silence
   3rd Dam: Potrizaris (Arg), Potrillazo (Arg)
O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥26,546,000.
Margins: 2, NK, NK. Odds: 63.90, 24.10, 45.90.
Also Ran: Soft Fruit (Jpn), Izu Jo no Kiseki (Jpn), Lei Papale (Jpn), Akaitorino Musume (Jpn), Des Ailes (Jpn), Rambling Alley (Jpn), Win Kitos (Jpn), Terzetto (Jpn), Musica (Jpn), Kotobuki Thetis (Jpn), Lune Rouge (Jpn), Shamrock Hill (Jpn), Win Marilyn (Jpn), Rose Amour (Jpn).

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Sunday, Fukushima, Japan
FUKUSHIMA KINEN-G3, ¥78,120,000, Fukushima, 11-14, 3yo/up, 2000mT, 1:59.20, fm.
1--PANTHALASSA (JPN), 119, c, 3, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Miss Pemberley (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire)
   2nd Dam: Stitching (Ire), by High Estate (Ire)
   3rd Dam: Itching (Ire), by Thatching (Ire)
1ST GROUP WIN. O-Hiroo Race; B-Hidenori Kimura (Jpn); T-Yoshito Yahagi; J-Yuji Hishida. ¥41,574,000. Lifetime Record: 17-4-0-4. *1/2 to Etendard (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), GSP-Jpn, $770,677; and Dimension (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), MGSP-Jpn, $1,030,766. Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Humidor (Jpn), 121, g, 5 Orfevre (Jpn)--Avec Toi (Jpn), by Chichicastenango (Fr). O-Sunrise Inc.; B-Miyauchi Farm (Jpn); ¥16,164,000.
3--Arata (Jpn), 123, c, 4, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Sunshine (Jpn), by Heart's Cry (Jpn). O-Takamitsu Murata; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥10,082,000.
Margins: 4, HF, NK. Odds: 8.00, 8.10, 3.10.
EQUINE MEDIRECORD SECURES CONTRACT WITH JCSA

Equine MediRecord, a Kildare-based software platform, has secured a long-term contract with the Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia (JCSA). An Irish trade delegation traveled to the JCSA to announce the news. The platform will support the $20-million G1 Saudi Cup, which was elevated to Group 1 status for the first time in 2022.

The Equine MediRecord platform allows for the full veterinary history of the horse to be recorded securely, ensuring the best possible horse welfare, as well as aiding with crucial anti-doping procedures. In addition, the platform will provide all entrants, trainers and vets, a system to comply with the latest anti-doping and animal welfare measures which have been brought in for the Saudi Cup 2022. Integrity of this information will be ensured using the Equine MediRecord system and its algorithms which will guarantee the compliance for all horses who participate before they race, ensuring the best possible equine welfare.

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