HEART OF A CHAMPION: FORTE FINDS A WAY IN FLORIDA DERBY

Forte | Lauren King

There’s your favorite for the GI Kentucky Derby. Repole Stable and St Elias Stable’s champion and ‘TDN Rising Star’ Forte (Violence) punched his ticket to Louisville with a dramatic, come-from-behind victory as the 1-5 favorite in Saturday’s GI Curlin Florida Derby at Gulfstream Park.

Up against it from the get-go exiting from a much-discussed gate 11 draw in a field of 12 with a short run to the first turn, the $110,000 Keeneland September graduate was off to an alert beginning and raced in traffic to the clubhouse turn before settling deep and with only a couple of rivals behind as the slow-starting Southern Californian invader Fort Bragg (Tapit) burned across to lead clear.

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ANGEL OF EMPIRE SPROUTS WINGS IN ARKANSAS DERBY

Fourth choice at 9-2, but the only runner in the GI Arkansas Derby field with a win at nine furlongs, Angel of Empire (Classic Empire) used that overlooked experience to his advantage and emerged looking like a world-beater. Racing midpack early, he ranged up and burst clear to win in hand and by daylight. King Russell (Creative Cause) was second, while Reincarnate (Good Magic) finished third. The Arkansas Derby was a GI Kentucky Derby points race and awarded points on a 100-40-30-20-10 scale.

After a picture-perfect break from the gate, the field strung out as Two Eagles River (Cloud Computing) set the pace while Angel of Empire bided his time completely clear mid-field. Little changed through the :23.27 first quarter and :47.26 half, but Angel of Empire was on the move a half mile from home. He simply picked off horses on the turn, swept to the front at the top of the stretch, and drove clear. Flavien Prat waved the whip at him late, but the race was over. Two Eagles River threw in the towel in the stretch, while 58-1 King Russell had closed to hook up with 3-1 stalker Reincarnate. The two got the minor awards, but finished 4 1/4 lengths behind Angel of Empire. Favored Rocket Can (Into Mischief) was fourth, a head behind Reincarnate. Cont. p7

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY
PENSEE DU JOUR REMAINS FLAWLESS IN PENEUPE

‘TDN Rising Star’ Pensee Du Jour (Ire) (Camelot (GB)) maintained her perfect record with a bloodless win in the G3 Prix Penelope at Saint-Cloud on Saturday. Tom Frary has the details.

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"Angel of Empire... ranged up and burst clear to win in hand and by daylight"

SOURCE: TDN 4.1.23
The dynamic duo of Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable have joined forces once again on their quest toward racing history. Their Champion son of Violence continues to further etch his name in the annals of racing history with a memorable performance in the Curlin Florida Derby (G1).

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- GALLERY SPORTS
Spendthrift Farm’s Ocasek (c, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}), a debut second for Chad Brown at the Big A last weekend, is featured in Steve Sherack’s ‘Second Chances’ series. “With a little luck, he feels like he might be a nice second-half horse for us,” Spendthrift Farm General Manager Ned Toffey said.

And they’re off in the GI Curlin Florida Derby. | Ryan Thompson/Coglianese

'SECOND-HALF HORSE' FOR SPENDTHIRT

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TODAY’S GRADED STAKES

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Forte (outside) sets his sights on Mage | Nicole Thomas

Irad Ortiz, Jr. had the big favorite worse than midfield and in about the five path nearing the half-mile marker, at which point he began to get busy. But so, too, did Mage (Good Magic), who raced at the tail early on, in the slipstream of Forte towards the end of the backstretch and got first run with a powerful sweep around the turn. Racing in a pocket for a stride or two, but with ample galloping room, Forte allowed Mage to go on with it and he dueled with Cyclone Mischief (Into Mischief)--who had also sat a wide trip from a high draw--into the final furlong. But produced down the center, Forte did his best work through the line and was comfortably clear by a length at the end of the nine furlongs. Mage was second; Cyclone Mischief was third.

The Florida Derby offered 200 qualifying points for the Kentucky Derby with the first five finishers earning points on a 100-50-30-20-10 basis.

“I was worried, he had a lot to do turning for home,” said winning trainer Todd Pletcher after a record-extending seventh Florida Derby victory. “He had to angle out really wide and kind of got a wide trip all the way around there, but he had a pretty smooth run it; he just had to lose a lot of ground to do it. It looked like he had a lot to do still at the eighth pole but then really kicked in the last part and found his best stride the last sixteenth.”

Pletcher continued, “He got a lot of experience today. The one good thing about here is you get a big crowd, a noisy crowd, long post parade, so they get exposed to a lot. That experience hopefully pays off down the road.”

Repole added, “I knew it was going to be a big test for him. I didn’t mind him having the 11 post. I thought he got an incredible education. I, too, at the eighth pole was saying, we’re going to get second or third, and he just kept going and going...”
They're off in the Curlin Florida Derby | Coglianese

and going. It was pretty special.

Forte captured three straight Grade I events during his championship season in 2022, capped by an impressive success in the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile at Keeneland Nov. 4. The dark bay returned to the races with a stylish tally in Gulfstream's GII Fountain of Youth S. Mar. 4.

“His just continues to amaze us,” Pletcher said. “He gets better and better. He handled the stretchout to a mile an eighth great and actually probably ran a mile and three-sixteenths today. It gives you a lot of confidence moving forward.”


Mage, a sharp debut winner going seven furlongs on the G1 Pegasus World Cup undercard at Gulfstream Jan. 28, was an unlucky fourth while making his two-turn debut in the Fountain of Youth. Cyclone Mischief, also exiting the Fountain of Youth, made it two straight third-place finishes behind Forte.

Pedigree Notes:

Mike Repole and Vinnie Viola bought 43 yearlings for more than $16 million to top the sheets for the first of two straight years at the 2021 Keeneland September sale. Forte was a $110,000 purchase out of that auction.

Forte is one of six Grade I winners for Violence. Forte’s broodmare sire Blame has 12 stakes/six graded winners out of his daughters. Blame is also the sire of Saturday’s impressive GIII Fantasy S. heroine Wet Paint, a leading contender for the GI Kentucky Oaks.

Forte is the first foal out of Queen Caroline, with her...
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Heart's Cry (JPN) - Hilda's Passion, by Canadian Frontier
now-juvenile colt by Uncle Mo hammering for $850,000 to Mayberry Farm at Keeneland September. She lost her 2023 foal by Not This Time and was bred to Flightline in 2023. Her third dam is the MGSW Jeano (Fappiano), whose descendants also include champions Folklore (Tiznow) and Essential Quality (Tapit); Japanese champion and Triple Crown winner Contrail (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}); and additional GISW Come Dancing (Malibu Moon). The family traces tail-female to the great La Troienne through her Broodmare of the Year granddaughter by War Admiral, Striking.
Florida Derby cont.

2—Mage, 122, c, 3, Good Magic--Puca, by Big Brown.  
1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE, 1ST G1 BLACK TYPE.  ($235,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; $290,000 2yo '22 EASMAY).  
O-OGMA Investments, LLC, Ramiro Restrepo, Sterling Racing LLC and CMNWLTH; B-Grandview Equine (KY); T-Gustavo Delgado.  $186,000.

3—Cyclone Mischief, 122, c, 3, Into Mischief--  
Areyoucominghere, by Bernardini.  1ST G1 BLACK TYPE.  ($450,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP).  O-Albaugh Family Stables LLC and Castleton Lyons; B-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY); T-Dale L. Romans.  $93,000.

Margins: 1, 2, 2. Odds: 0.30, 4.70, 13.10.  
Also Ran: Mr. Ripple, Fort Bragg, Il Miracolo, West Coast Cowboy, Jungfrau, Nautical Star, Mr. Peeks, Dubyuhnell, Shaq Diesel.

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Arkansas Derby cont. from p1

“It’s huge,” said winning trainer Brad Cox, who also won last year’s edition with Cyberknife (Gun Runner). “Big day. Very impressed with this horse, how he ran today. He came home quick, and he’s a horse that the longer the better. Looking forward to getting him to the Kentucky Derby in five weeks.”

Angel of Empire was last seen Feb. 18 winning the GII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds at the same distance. Third in that race was last week’s impressive GII Jeff Ruby Steaks winner Two Phil’s (Hard Spun). Like Brad Cox's earlier-on-Saturday’s-card GII Fantasy S. winner Wet Paint (Blame), Angel of Empire broke his maiden last summer at Horseshoe Indianapolis and then gave the turf a try at Kentucky Downs. He didn’t like the grass, but has been stellar since, taking an Indiana allowance by open daylight to close his juvenile campaign before opening 2023 with a second in the Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn.

Albaugh Family Stables picked up Angel of Empire for $70,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September sale. Racing manager Jason Loutsch said Saturday, “After seeing that race, I’ve got a lot of confidence. This is a horse I’ve been saying [since] day one wants to get the distance. He showed that twice at a mile and an eighth. He just keeps running. I thought he ran a great race today, and I’m excited for the first Saturday in May.”

The Albaugh Family Stables has two other contenders for the Kentucky Derby: their Cyclone Mischief (Into Mischief) was third Saturday in the GI Curlin Florida Derby and Jace's Road (Quality Road) was third in last week's GII Louisiana Derby.

Pedigree Notes:
Angel of Empire is the first winner at the highest level for sire Classic Empire, who has two North American crops at the races. The Coolmore America stallion, champion 2-year-old colt of
LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

ANGEL OF EMPIRE emulated his father with a dominant win in Saturday’s $1,250,000 Arkansas Derby-Gr.1 and vaulted to 2nd on the Kentucky Derby leaderboard with 154 points.

Congratulations to owner Albaugh Family Stables LLC, breeder Forgotten Land Investment Inc & Black Diamond Equine Corp, and trainer Brad H. Cox.

The only third-crop sire with a G1 winner in 2023

CLASSIC EMPIRE
2016, won the Arkansas Derby himself in 2017. Classic Empire has eight black-type winners and four graded winners. Angel of Empire is the only stakes winner for To Honor and Serve, who now stands in Korea, as a broodmare sire; however, To Honor and Serve's sire, Bernardini, is the damsire of Classy Edition, one of Classic Empire's graded winners.

Black Diamond Corp., co-bred of Angel of Empire, bought his dam, Armony's Angel, for $67,000 at the 2019 Keeneland November sale with the Arkansas Derby winner in utero. A half to GSW Conquest Big E (Tapit), the now-7-year-old Armony’s Angel has a 2-year-old colt named Third City (Collected) and a yearling full-brother to Angel of Empire named Raconteur. Third City was sold to Kenneth Kachel for $23,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky summer yearling sale. The mare was not bred for 2023.

Saturday, Oaklawn Park
ARKANSAS DERBY-G1, $1,250,000, Oaklawn, 4-1, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:49.68, ft.
1--ANGEL OF EMPIRE, 122, c, 3, by Classic Empire
   1st Dam: Armony’s Angel, by To Honor and Serve
   2nd Dam: Seeinsbelieven, by Carson City
   3rd Dam: Coragil, by Metfield
1ST GRADE I WIN. ($32,000 RNA Wlg ’20 KEENOV; $70,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP). O-Albaugh Family Stables LLC; B-Forgotten Land Investment Inc & Black Diamond Equine Corp (PA); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. $739,375. Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, $1,069,375. Werk Nick Rating: A++. *Triple Plus*

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FROM LAST TO FIRST, BLAME'S WET PAINT TAKES THE FANTASY

It’s hard to fault Wet Paint (Blame), who can win on wet or dry, has improved with each start, looks to like a distance, is unbeaten on dirt, and has been unstoppable in Oaklawn Park’s 3-year-old filly series, with her latest conquest Saturday’s GIII Fantasy S. in Hot Springs. The late-running Godolphin homebred

Wet Paint (extreme outside) sweeps around the field | Coady
won her third straight as she marches to the GI Kentucky Oaks as the current points leader with 170. The Fantasy divvied up points on the Road to the Kentucky Oaks with a scale of 100-40-30-20-10, also giving Taxed (Collected) and Olivia Twist (Mshawish), who chased Wet Paint home in second and third, respectively, a potential spot in the Oaks gate May 5.

Winning trainer Brad Cox won the Oaks in 2018 with Monomoy Girl (Tapizar) and again in 2020 with Shedaresthedevil (Daredevil).

The 3-5 heavy favorite in the Fantasy, Wet Paint trailed far back—at least a dozen lengths—early as 5-1 Grand Love (Gun Runner) led with her ears pricked through :22.98 and :47.08 fractions. Roused entering the turn, Wet Paint swept around the field with ease and loomed menacingly as Grand Love was swamped in mid-stretch. Under minimal encouragement, Wet Paint flew by at least five wide as Taxed and Olivia Twist picked up the leftovers to her inside. Wrapped up on at the end, Wet Paint won far easier than the 2 1/2-length margin would suggest. She was Cox’s second Fantasy winner following Sassy Sienna (Midshipman) in 2018 and Godolphin’s first.

“I guess when you break and they kind of get away from you a bit you’re always a little concerned,” said Cox. “But they were strung out a little bit. I saw the half in 47 and thought she was going to be able to close into it, and she finished up well. When Flavien [Prat] asked her to pick it up at the half-mile, you could tell he was riding her with a lot of confidence. At the three-eighths pole, she ranged up and was just cruising along. Very happy with how she finished up and galloped out. She ran great, won going away.”

Wet Paint has never been beaten on dirt. She broke her maiden at second asking at Horseshoe Indianapolis last October and captured both the Jan. 28 Martha Washington S. and the Feb. 25 GIII Honeybee S. at Oaklawn this year, the latter two with twin 83 Beyer Speed Figures. Her only career losses came on debut on the Kentucky Downs grass and a December start in an optional allowance on Turfway’s synthetic surface. All three of her previous main track starts were in the slop or on a wet-fast track, making the Fantasy, contested on a dry and fast track, an important test. She passed.

Cox said Wet Paint would likely ship to Churchill Downs this week to prepare for the Oaks.

Pedigree Notes:

Claiborne’s Blame, the most established sire son of Claiborne’s late Arch, has 45 black-type winners, including 21 graded winners. Wet Paint isn’t the first of Blame’s progeny to star as a sophomore at Oaklawn—his son, Nadal, won a division of the GI Arkansas Derby and GI Rebel S. in 2020 and now stands in Japan. Wet Paint is Blame’s first stakes winner out of a Street Cry (Ire) mare, the latter having 135 black-type winners out of his daughters. The late Street Cry stood at Darley, the flagship U.S. farm of Godolphin.

Wet Paint is out of Sky Painter, second in Belmont’s GIII Miss Grillo S. in 2013 and, like her daughter, a homebred for Godolphin. The Fantasy winner’s fourth dam is Nastique (Naskra), a four-time Grade I winner and a multiple stakes producer. Sky Painter has a yearling filly by Darley stallion Medaglia d’Oro and was bred back to Not This Time for this spring.
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ARROGATE'S AFFIRMATIVE LADY UPSETS GULFSTREAM PARK OAKS

A year after Secret Oath gave her late sire Arrogate a first winner of the GI Kentucky Oaks, the stallion looks to have a legitimate chance to add to that total posthumously in form of Affirmative Lady (Arrogate), who made multiple runs to cause an 8-1 upset in Saturday's GII Gulfstream Park Oaks.

A breakthrough maiden winner with first-time blinkers over track and trip at first asking Feb. 26, the AMO Racing USA colorbearer got a good spot at the fence through the early exchanges as Flakes (Frosted) took advantage of her innermost draw to set the pace from Infinite Diamond (Bee Jersey) and a three-wide last out GII Davona Dale S. upsetter Dorth Vader (Girvin).

Quietly ridden down the backstretch by Luis Saez, Affirmative Lady had about three lengths to find entering the turn and was ridden aggressively inside of a weakening Infinite Diamond to be in striking position turning for home. Pulled out into the three path, she found yet another gear and raced over the top of rivals en route to a two-length victory over a game Sacred Wish (Not This Time). Flakes held for third, while Dorth Vader could do no better than fourth.

“When she broke her maiden here five weeks ago, I thought it was really impressive and the timing was good,” winning trainer Graham Motion said. “I think she really wants to go further. I think she'll really appreciate a mile and an eighth, to be honest.”

Affirmative Lady came within a neck of earning her diploma at third asking in the Gil Demoiselle S. at Aqueduct Dec. 3 and added a third-place finish, still as a maiden, in the Busanda S. in South Ozone Park Jan. 14. She recorded co-career high 70 Beyer Speed Figures in the Demoiselle and her last-out maiden victory.

Affirmative Lady earned 100 points in the Gulfstream Park Oaks to seal her spot in the starting gate for the GI Kentucky Oaks.

“There’s a big race going a mile and an eighth in May, so we'll think about that,” Motion said. “Look, if she comes out of it OK, we have to [run]. That’s what she wants to do.”

Pedigree Notes:

Affirmative Lady, a $210,000 KEESEP yearling turned $400,000 OBS April breezer (:10 2/5), becomes the seventh stakes/fifth graded winner for the gone-too-soon Arrogate. Broodmare sire Stephen Got Even is now responsible for 17 stakes/five graded winners. MSW & MGSP Stiffed, a $320,000 purchase by Affirmative Lady's breeder Alastar Thoroughbred Co. while in foal to Pioneerof the Nile at the 2018 KEENOV sale, produced a filly by Nyquist in 2021 ($170,000 KEESEP yearling) and a filly by Connect this year.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

GULFSTREAM PARK OAKS PRESENTED BY FANDUEL TV-GII, $255,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44.69, ft.

1--AFFIRMATIVE LADY, 122, f, 3, by Arrogate

1st Dam: Stiffed (MSW & MGSP, $256,559), by Stephen Got Even

2nd Dam: High Noon Nellie, by Silver Deputy

3rd Dam: Full and Fancy, by Marfa

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($210,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP; $400,000 2yo ’22 OBSAPR). O-AMO Racing USA; B-Alastar Thoroughbred Co, LLC (KY); T-H. Graham Motion; J-Luis Saez. $150,350. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, $270,568. Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--Sacred Wish, 122, f, 3, Not This Time--Indian Wish, by Indian Charlie. **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** ($80,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; $70,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; $50,000 2yo '22 EASMAY). O-Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables, Steve Adkisson, Christopher T. Dunn and Anthony Spinazzola; B-John R. Penn (KY); T-George Weaver. $48,500.

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3--Flakes, 122, f, 3, Frosted--Tell a Great Story, by Bluegrass Cat. **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** ($50,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-BC Racing LLC; B-Arindel (FL); T-J. Alvarado. $29,250. Margins: 2, HD, NK. Odds: 8.50, 9.10, 30.50. Also Ran: Dorth Vader, Miracle, Infinite Diamond, Atomically, Just Katherine. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Saturday, Santa Anita
ROYAL HEROINE S.-GII, $200,500, Santa Anita, 4-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.82, fm.

1--CLOSING REMARKS, 120, m, 5, by Vronsky
1st Dam: Orange Cove, by Unusual Heat
2nd Dam: Aspen Gal, by Talkin Man
3rd Dam: Treegees, by Geiger Counter
**1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** O/B-Harris Farms, Inc. (CA); T-Carla Gaines; J-Joe Bravo. $120,000. Lifetime Record: 18-4-5-4, $554,820. Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--School Dance, 120, f, 4, Animal Kingdom--Ann of the Dance, by English Channel. O-Agave Racing Stable and Rockin Robin Racing Stables; B-Betz/Lamantia/Ramsby/Strong, B & K Canetti/J.Betz (KY); T-Philip D’Amato. $40,000.

3--Very Scary, 120, f, 4, Connect--Summer Reading, by Hard Spun. **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** ($40,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; $80,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR). O-Luedtke, Walter, Oracheff, Robert and Oracheff, Robert Scott; B-Windways Farm (KY); T-Ian Kruljac. $24,000.

WINNERS
Margins: 1HF, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.20, 2.80, 10.30. Also Ran: Honey Jar, Nadette (Fr), Seisai (Ire). Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Winless over the last 14 months, Harris Farms homebred Closing Remarks was nevertheless sent off the public’s choice in Saturday’s GII Royal Heroine S. at Santa Anita and validated the support with a straight-forward success.

Void of early foot, Closing Remarks was taken well in hand by Joe Bravo and switched off nicely from fourth as Honey Jar (Kantharos) took them along at a leisurely clip. The chestnut was slipped a bit of rein entering the final three-eighths of a mile and was pulled out four deep into the stretch, leveling out from there to easily hold her chief market rival School Dance in the run to the wire.

Winner of the Cal Cup Oaks back in 2021, her lone previous stakes tally to date, Closing Remarks was runner-up to Going Global (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}) in that year’s GI Del Mar Oaks and was ending a seven-race losing streak when annexing a local allowance over nine furlongs last January. She had placed four times in graded company since, including a runner-up effort to next-out GII Pegasus World Cup Filly & Mare Turf heroine Queen Goddess (Empire Maker) in the GII Robert J. Frankel S. Dec. 31 and third-place finishes to the in-form Quattroelle (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}) in the GII Megahertz S. Feb. 4 and the GII Buena Vista S. Mar. 4.

Pedigree Notes:
Closing Remarks is one of 13 stakes winners, now five at the graded level, for her sire, a son of Danzig--Words of War (Lord At War {Arg}) who passed away at Harris Farms in 2021 at the age of 22. Orange Cove is also the dam of a yearling filly by Clubhouse Ride and was bred back to that stallion for her 2023 foal.

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PAN AMERICAN S. PRESENTED BY ROOD & RIDDLE-GII,
$200,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:29.22, fm.
1--THERAPIST, 120, g, 8, by Freud
  1st Dam: Lady Renaissance, by Smart Strike
  2nd Dam: Artistic, by Pirate's Bounty
  3rd Dam: Paintbrush, by Bold Hour
1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($8,000 RNA Ylg '16 SARAGU).
O-Michael Dubb; B-Oak Bluff Stable, LLC & C. Clement (NY);
T-Michael J. Maker; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. $120,280. Lifetime Record:
39-12-4-8, $970,475. *Full to Fresco, SW, $125,350. Werk Nick
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2--Bay Street Money, 118, g, 6, Street Sense--Collect the Cash,
by Dynaformer. 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.
O-Sanford J. Goldfarb; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Michael J.
Maker. $38,800.

3--Master Piece (Chi), 122, r, 7, Mastercraftsman (Ire)--Torre
Laguna (Chi), by Proud Citizen. O-Iavarone, Michael, Iavarone,
Julia C., Zoumas, Nicholas, Vapewh, Argano, Frank and Ten
Twenty Racing; B-Haras Don Alberto (CHI); T-Saffie A. Joseph,
Jr. $19,400.
Margins: 3/4, 1, 1. Odds: 4.50, 8.20, 1.10.
Also Ran: Wicked Fast, Ry's the Guy, California Frolic, Novo Sol
(Brz), Abaan. Click for the Equibase chart or the TJCIS.com
PPS. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Trying this marathon distance for the first time as an 8-year-
old, New York-bred Therapist drove past a tiring favorite Master
Piece inside the final eighth of a mile and held sway to win
Saturday's GII Pan American S. at Gulfstream, becoming another
in a series of claims to fame for trainer Mike Maker.

Settled with about two rivals behind early as Ry's the Guy
(Distorted Humor) set a reasonable pace for the trip in advance
of Novo Sol (Brz) (Agnes Gold [Jpn]), Therapist was patiently
handled by Irad Ortiz, Jr. through the middle stages before
making progress one off the rail nearing the half-mile pole.
Master Piece improved his position with an early run down the
backstretch for Jose Ortiz to be third and three wide entering
the turn and poked his gray head in front under a hold a quarter
mile from home. Master Piece drifted a bit wide into the lane
and soon had company to his outside in the form of the Maker-
trained Bay Street Money, but as Ortiz took a look at the
impending threat over his right shoulder, his brother was going
for a run nearer the inside aboard Therapist, who inched away
late for a belated first win at the graded level. Bay Street Money
held for second over an alibi-free Master Piece in third.

Therapist was an eight-time stakes winner over a 32-race
career for Oak Bluff Stable and trainer Christophe Clement
before being claimed for $80,000 out of an allowance sixth at
Aqueduct last September. Unplaced in three starts under the
care of George Weaver, the veteran was halted for $25,000
out of a two-length tally over this course Dec. 30 and was taken
by these connections for $50,000 from a third-place effort Jan.
20. The chestnut was the authoritative four-length winner of a
$35,000 starter-allowance in his debut for the Maker barn over
the local synthetic track Feb. 11.

Bemma's Boy (Into Mischief) won this event in 2020 a handful
of starts after a $30,000 Maker claim and a stretchout to
distance turf races, while Zulu Alpha (Bernardini), Bigger Picture
(Badge of Silver), Da Big Hoss (Lemon Drop Kid) accomplished
similar feats under Maker's tutelage.

Pedigree Notes:
The 17th worldwide winner at the graded/group level for his
sire--a full-brother to the legendary Giant's Causeway--Therapist
hails from the female family of Broodmare of the Year Fall
Aspen (Pretense), whose produce include champion Timber
Country (Woodman), champion Bianconi (Danzig), leading South
African sire Fort Wood (Sadler's Wells) and MGSW/G1SP
Colorado Dancer (Ire) (Shareef Dancer), the dam of the
outstanding Dubai Millenium (GB) (Seeking the Gold). Lady
Renaissance is the dam of the 3-year-old gelding Seize the Derby
(Carpe Diem) and was most recently covered by Freud.
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Saturday, Oaklawn
OAKLAWN MILE S.-GIII, $400,000, Oaklawn, 4-1, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:37.63, ft.
1--HOPPER, 117, c, 4, by Declaration of War
1st Dam: Irridescence (SAf) (Ch. 3yo Filly & MGISW-SAf, G1SW-HK, SW & GSP-UAE, G1SP-Eng, GISP-US, $1,578,910), by Caesour
2nd Dam: Meretricious (SAf), by Dancing Champ
3rd Dam: Capitoline (SAf), by Elevation (SAf)
($90,000 Ylg '20 KEESSEP). O-Lanni Bloodstock, Madaket Stables LLC & SF Racing LLC; B-Green Lantern Stables, LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-John R. Velazquez. $248,300. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, $419,000. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Caddo River, 121, h, 5, Hard Spun--Pangburn, by Congrats. 'TDN Rising Star'. O/B-Shortleaf Stable (KY); T-D. Wayne Lukas. $76,400.

3--Smile Happy, 121, c, 4, Runhappy--Pleasant Smile, by Pleasant Tap. 'TDN Rising Star'. ($175,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $185,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL). O-Lucky Seven Stable (Mackin); B-Moreau Bloodstock Int'l Inc. & White Bloodstock LLC (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek. $38,200.

Margins: 1 3/4, NK, 2HF. Odds: 1.40, 6.50, 1.20.
Also Ran: Hero Status, Necker Island, Silver Prospector, Atoka. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

After absorbing dirty beats with Improbable (City Zip) in 2020 and with Cezanne (Curlin) last year, trainer Bob Baffert finally got his first victory in the GIII Oaklawn Mile Saturday as the progressive Hopper overcame a tricky trip to best the 'TDN Rising Star' duo of Caddo River and Smile Happy.

The post-time favorite, getting blinkers off for this effort and drawn widest in the field of seven, was beaten for speed and raced three and four wide into the first turn as longshot Atoka (Union Rags) went a suicidal gallop up front. Allowed to roll forward to sit second as they raced into the final half-mile, Hopper came under a bit of a ride from John Velazquez about three furlongs out, and that allowed Caddo River to gain three wide, leaving Hopper awkwardly between rivals for a few strides. Caddo River looked to have aim on Hopper, but the chalk remained in for the fight and boxed back gamely inside en route to a clear-cut success.

Unplaced in a turf sprint on debut for Baffert last February, Hopper won his maiden and wired the GIII Affirmed S. last June while under the care of Sean McCarthy before taking some time off. Caught late as the favorite in the GII San Pasqual S. in his return to action Jan. 28, the dark bay attended the pace before weakening to fourth in the GI Santa Anita H. Mar. 4.

“It worked out the way we thought,” said Velazquez. “He broke from the outside. Coming from the outside, he was a little slow the first two jumps. He got into the race pretty easily going into the first turn. Got into the position I wanted, just kind of sat and waited for the other horses to come to him. And he put up a good fight.”

Pedigree Notes:
Hopper’s dam was South Africa’s champion 3-year-old filly of 2005, with a pair of Grade 1 victories under the care of Mike de Kock, then was acquired by Team Valor, who campaigned her internationally. A listed winner in Dubai and victorious in the G1 Audemars Piguet Queen Elizabeth II Cup in Hong Kong in 2006, Irridescence was third in the G2 Jebel Hatta back at Nad Al Sheba in 2007 and closed her racing career with runner-up efforts in the G1 Falmouth S. at Newmarket and in the GI Beverly D. S. at Arlington Park. She was subsequently acquired by the Masson family’s Green Lantern Stable for her breeding career. The full-sister to fellow South African Grade 1 winner Perfect Promise (SAf) is the dam of three winners from six to race and Hopper is her last listed produce.

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park
GHOSTZAPPER S.-GIII, $180,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.94, ft.

1--CLAPTON, 122, c, 4, by Brethren
   1st Dam: Alexandra Rylee (SW, $111,320), by Afleet Alex
   2nd Dam: Sira, by Capote
   3rd Dam: Sigrun, by Crafty Prospector
   1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. O/B-Arindel (FL); T-Juan Alvarado; J-Emisael Jaramillo. $116,140. Lifetime Record: 20-5-3-5, $427,890. Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--O’Connor (Chi), 120, h, 6, Boboman--Torrente de Agua (Chi), by Touch Gold. O-Fernando Vine Ode and Michael and Jules Iavarone; B-Haras Carioca (CHI); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. $29,400.


Also Ran: Twelve Volt Man, Simplification, Cajun’s Magic, First Captain.

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Clapton, 10th at 139-1 behind White Abarrio (Race Day) in the main event on this same GI Curlin Florida Derby program last year, broke through for a career high at odds of 21-1 here.

He caboosed the field of seven rounding the clubhouse turn and was up a spot into an outside sixth less than five furlongs from home. On the move and into third heading into the far turn, he revved up three deep passing the five-sixteenths, and, after brushing with O’Connor (Chi) in deep stretch, out battled that one to the wire to pull off the upset.

Clapton, winner of the Gil Campbell Memorial H. and third-place finisher in the Carry Back S. in Hallandale Beach in 2022, was third in his last two tries versus optional claimers here Feb. 5 and Mar. 12, respectively.

“I’m just so happy for the horse and everyone that works with the horse,” winning racing manager for Arindel Brian Cohen said. “He just ran such a good race. He’s been running against such tough horses all winter, and he ran a big one.”

Pedigree Notes:

Clapton becomes the third graded winner for Arindel Farm’s leading Florida stallion Brethren, a half-brother to GI Kentucky Derby winner Super Saver. Afleet Alex is now responsible for nine graded winners as a broodmare sire. The stakes-winning Alexandra Rylee produced a filly by Brethren in 2022 and was bred back to that same stallion for a 2023 foal. Clapton’s 3-year-old full-brother Knox was third in last fall’s FTBOA Florida Sire In Reality S. “[Brethren] has given us everything,” Cohen added. “He’s given us runners--long, short, turf. [They’re all] just runners. They want to run. He’s been great. Clapton, race after race, he just tries his hardest.”

Saturday, Gulfstream Park
ORCHID S.-GIII, $150,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT, 2:28.82, fm.

1--AMAZING GRACE (GER), 123, m, 5, by Protectionist (Ger)
   1st Dam: Amabelle (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Danehill Dancer (Ire)
   2nd Dam: Antonym, by Bahri
   3rd Dam: Annaba (Ire), by In the Wings (GB) ($850,000 4yo ‘22 ARQDEC). O-Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd.; B-Chr. Berglar (GER); T-Christophe Clement; J-Joel Rosario. $90,210. Lifetime Record: MGSW & G1SP-Ger & MGSP-Fr, 16-5-4-5, $319,563. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Personal Best, 123, f, 4, Tapit--War Flag, by War Front.
   O/B-Mr. Joseph Allen LLC (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III. $29,100.

3--Atomic Blonde (Ger), 123, f, 4, The Grey Gatsby (Ire)--Alwina (Ger), by Areion (Ger). ($75,000 RNA Ylg ’20 BBAGOM; €300,000 3yo ’22 ARQDEC). O-Michaela Faust, West Point Thoroughbreds and Heather Winters; B-Gestut Karlshof (GER); T-Christophe Clement. $14,550.
Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 3HF. Odds: 1.20, 2.50, 11.40.
Also Ran: Transient (GB), Lady Arsinoe, Miss Yearwood, Viburnum, Tamarindo.
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In an amazing span stretching all the way back to 1994, or just under 30 years, trainer Christophe Clement has dominated Gulfstream's GIII Orchid S. What better place for his new trainee, Amazing Grace, to make her first start for him? She did so with aplomb, not getting the easiest trip but looking much the best despite just a half-length margin at the wire to give her trainer his eighth win in the Orchid.
Previously conditioned by Waldemar Hickst in Germany, Amazing Grace was picked up by her current connections at December's Arqana sale for €850,000 and was making her U.S. debut in the Orchid, where the entire field broke in a perfect line. Surrounded on every side, Amazing Grace dropped back to find a clear path on the rail in the second-to-last spot while a loose-on-the-lead Transient (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) led the field through :24.53 and :49.58 early fractions. The eventual winner was in no hurry, keeping touch with the field but maintaining her penultimate spot as fractions continued to click by in 1:13.69 and 1:39.07. The pace up front quickened as Transient was reeled in by Personal Best and Atomic Blonde, the latter a stablemate of Amazing Grace also making her U.S. and Clement debut. Meanwhile, Amazing Grace moved up on the rail before swinging to the outside and diving between horses in late stretch as she unfurled powerful strides to catch and go right on by both Personal Best and Atomic Blonde, who finished second and third.
“First time riding her,” said winning jockey Joel Rosario. “She closed well and I had a lot of confidence in her because of her class, although I didn’t expect it to be this close. I had not had the chance to work with her previously, but I’m glad it all worked out at the end. I tried to bide my time and not move too early considering all of that.”
Amazing Grace had a successful European campaign before her import and was named the highweight older mare in Germany at 11-14 furlongs last year. Among her wins were the 2021 G2 Diana Trial and last year’s G2 T. von Zastrow Stutenpreis in Germany. She was last seen finishing third in the G1 Preis von Europa behind future GI Breeders’ Cup Turf winner Rebel’s Romance (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and also has a number of other Group placings in both France and Germany.

Pedigree Notes:
While Japan-breds have taken over the world stage lately with major wins from the U.S. to Dubai, German-breds are quietly mounting their own brigade, from the 2021 G1 Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe with Torquator Tasso (Ger) (Adlerflug {Ger}) to Amazing Grace in Florida on Saturday. With just three crops to race encompassing 61 starters to date, Protectionist (Ger) has two black-type winners, including Amazing Grace and German Group 3 winner and French G2-placed Lambo (Ger).
Protectionist himself was a Group 1 winner in Germany and a Group 2 winner in France before transferring his form to Australia, where he won the 2014 G1 Melbourne Cup.
Amabelle, dam of Amazing Grace, sold at the 2021 Arqana December sale for €300,000 to Australian Bloodstock while carrying a full-sister to the Orchid winner. The mare also has a 2-year-old Gleneagles (Ire) filly named Alvorada (Ger).

SECOND CHANCES: CANDY RIDE COLT A 'SECOND-HALF HORSE' FOR SPENDTHRIFT

by Steve Sherack

Ocasek brought $440,000 as a FTSAUG yearling | High Def Equine

In this continuing series, TDN’s Senior Racing Editor Steve Sherack catches up with the connections of promising maidens to keep on your radar.
A little racing experience may be, ahem, just what Ocasek (c, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}--Shananies Song, by Eltish) needed.
Carrying the name of Ric Ocasek, the late frontman for The Cars, the Spendthrift Farm colorbearer wasn’t off to the sharpest of beginnings from his rail draw and was forced to steady in the early stages traveling 6 1/2 furlongs on debut for Chad Brown in the opener at the Big A last Sunday.
Pushed along by Dylan Davis while trailing the field of five through an opening quarter in :22.39, Ocasek hit the gas entering the far turn and was rolling while four wide approaching the quarter pole as well-meant firster Harrodsburg (Constitution) kicked for home in complete control.
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Still racing on his left lead down the stretch, Ocasek finally switched over a furlong from home and finished up nicely in a field-best :31.82 to cut Harrodsburg’s margin of victory to 2 1/4 lengths.

Ocasek, a $440,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling, earned a rock solid 83 Beyer Speed Figure for the effort.

“I think in the first start, mostly I just want to see them finishing strong,” Spendthrift Farm General Manager Ned Toffey said.

“We never really thought he was gonna be a real early horse. It was very encouraging the way he ran on. Chad was very positive about what he saw and the numbers he ran.”

Toffey added, “With a little luck, he feels like he might be a nice second-half horse for us.”

Bred in Kentucky by Charles T. Matses, Ocasek’s leading sire Candy Ride is responsible for 17 Grade I winners, including the brilliant Gun Runner.

Out of the stakes-winning and very productive Eltish mare Shananies Song, a homebred for Matses, Ocasek is a half-brother to Favorable Outcome (Flatter), GSW & MGISP, $522,818; Mouheeb (Flatter), GSW-UAE, $192,966; Bellamentary (Bellamy Road), SW & MGSP, $216,200; and last year’s GIII Fantasy S. runner-up Beguine (Gun Runner).

What’s next for the Triple Crown-nominated Ocasek?

“That’s really more up to Chad,” Toffey replied. “We certainly feel like this horse is gonna be best going farther. He came out of the race well. Certainly, the plan will be to stretch him out, whether that happens in his next start or after that. We’ll see how things go with him, but we’re very encouraged so far.”
Sunday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 7:07 p.m. EDT

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SEVEN-FIGURE MEDAGLIA D'ORO Colt EARNs 'RISING STAR' Honors by Alan Carasso

Ultimate Gamble

Having finished a distant fourth on his Del Mar debut last August behind the likes of 'TDN Rising Star' and future dual Grade I winner Cave Rock (Arrogate) and subsequent multiple Grade II victor Practical Move (Practical Joke), Red Barons Barn and Rancho Temescal’s Ultimate Gamble (Medaglia d’Oro) made his much anticipated 3-year-old debut in a one-mile maiden at Santa Anita Saturday afternoon. Pounded down to 70 cents on the dollar, the athletic dark bay colt was ridden in supremely confident fashion by Frankie Dettori and ran out an easy 2 1/4-length winner to earn ‘Rising Star’ honors of his own.

A half-brother to Eclipse Award and GI Breeders’ Cup Sprint winner Drefong (Gio Ponti), MGISW, $1,538,385—now siring Classic winners in Japan—Ultimate Gamble was given a trio of six-furlong breezes leading into this comeback effort, suggesting that he prefers a trip considerably longer than his half-brother. Content to take a hold and let a few of his rivals to go on with it, Dettori allowed his mount to find his feet and settled him in third position and wide around the first turn, remaining in no particular hurry to move towards the lead down the backstretch. Methodically drawing to within striking distance by the time the field hit the second bend, Ultimate Gamble was nursed along and leveled up three wide at the quarter pole, with Dettori taking a look back to see 4-year-old Palagio (Practical Joke) looking dangerous wider out. Asked to meet that challenge, Ultimate Gamble swapped his leads on cue, carried a two-length advantage into the final furlong and stayed on strongly for the victory, then galloped out a ton into the clubhouse turn while receiving a congratulatory pat from his Italian pilot. The winner covered his final two furlongs in a slick :24.52.

Bred by Machmer Hall, who acquired Eltimaas for $77,000 in foal to Mizzen Mast at the 2013 Keeneland November Sale, Ultimate Gamble first changed hands for $325,000 at the 2021 Keeneland September Sale and went on to achieve the second-highest price at last year’s OBS April Sale when hammering for $1.75 million (under-tack breeze). That was not the first time the progeny of the mare lit up the tote in Ocala, as Sui (Candy Ride (Arg)) fetched $675,000 at the 2019 March Sale, while Order of Magnitude (Curlin) made $425,000 at the 2021 April Sale.

Eltimaas, a half-sister to champion and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile hero Action This Day (Kris S.), is also the dam of a 2-year-old Curlin filly that was sent to Japan after selling for $525,000 at KEESEP last fall.

4th-Santa Anita, $67,000, Msw, 4-1, 3, 4,./5yo, 1m, 1:36.68, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

ULTIMATE GAMBLE, c, 3, by Medaglia d’Oro
1st Dam: Eltimaas, by Ghostzapper
2nd Dam: Najecam, by Trempolino
3rd Dam: Sue Warner, by *Forli

Sales history: $325,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP; $1,750,000 2yo ’22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $45,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. Click for the free Equineline catalog-style pedigree.
O-Red Baron’s Barn LLC & Rancho Temescal LLC; B-Machmer Hall, Carrie & Craig Brogden (KY); T-Mark Glatt.
The debuting Sign of Beauty is a full-sister to Cambodia | Benoit

11th-GP, $84K, Msw, 3yo, f, 5fT, post time: 5:51 p.m. ET

The post-Derby program at Gulfstream concludes with this turf dash for sophomore fillies headed by 7-2 morning-line chance SHOOTOUTTHELIGHTS (City of Light) from the barn of Wesley Ward. A $525,000 purchase by the Breeze Easy braintrust at Keeneland September, the April foal looks to become the second winner for her stakes-placed dam, a half-sister to turf MGSW Clearly a Queen (Lucky North), who is also responsible for Bison City S. victress Mizzen Beau (Mizzen Mast). Sign of Beauty (War Front) cost Live Oak $775,000 at Fasig-Tipton Saratoga in the summer of 2021 and with good reason, as she is a full-sister to Cambodia, a three-time graded winner on the grass and third in the 2017 GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf; as well as Sylphide (Blame), whose daughter Danse Macabre (Army Mule) took out this year's GIII Herecomesthebride S. at this venue. The filly's dam Sassifaction (Smart Strike) is a half-sister to three-time South African champion sprinter Overarching (Arch); GSW Temeraine (Arch); and to the dam of GISW Abscond (Blame). TJCIS PPs

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

HOT SPRINGS S., $200,000, Oaklawn, 4-1, 3yo, 1m, 1:39.45, ft.

1--EYING CLOVER, 117, c, 3, by Lookin At Lucky

1st Dam: Floral Park, by Forest Wildcat
2nd Dam: Floral Beauty, by Gone West
3rd Dam: Chelsey Flower, by His Majesty

($55,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Ten Strike Racing; B-Mike Abraham (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Florent Geroux. $128,050. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, $230,650. *1/2 to Doug’s Buddy (Badge of Silver), MSW & GSP, $213,959; 1/2 to Floral Sky (Sky Mesa), SW, $206,732; 1/2 to Heavenhasmynikki (Majestic Warrior), GSW, $426,730.

2--Gun Pilot, 119, c, 3, Gun Runner--Bush Pilot, by Smart Strike.

O/B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Stephen M. Asmussen. $39,400.

3--Cactus, 117, c, 3, Twirling Candy--Gypsy Judy, by Kitalpha.

($52,000 Ylg ’21 EASOCT; $300,000 2yo ’22 OBSMAR).

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Ronnie Patterson; B-James A Hibbert (MD); T-Randy L. Morse. $19,700.

Margins: 1, 6HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.80, 1.20, 5.10.

Also Ran: Powerful, Rocking Rocket. Scratched: Carmel Road, Frosted Departure.

Fresh off a fourth-place finish behind Raise Cain (Violence) in the Mar. 4 GIII Gotham S. at Aqueduct, Eyeing Clover got a black-type win of his own in Oaklawn’s Hot Springs S. Saturday. It was blinkers off for the chestnut, who encountered his share of trouble throughout. He broke like a shot, leaping straight to the early lead for a few brief strides until the pair of Rocking Rocket (American Pharoah) and Cactus hounded him with the latter coming over and appearing to step straight into his path. Eyeing Clover steadied and looked to turn a bit rank but didn’t throw in the towel. As the first quarter and half ticked by in :23.01 and :46.85, he regained his rail position, shifted outside when he found some room, and moved disdainfully by the original duo that caused him trouble. Eyeing Clover took control, drifted slightly in the lane, and was chased home by Gun Pilot, whom he held comfortably at bay by a length. It was another 6 1/2 lengths back to Cactus.
He broke very sharp, put me in a good spot,” said winning pilot Florent Geroux. “I let those two horses in front of me go, dictate [the pace]. The first turn was a little bit messy to be honest. Nice trip down the backside, relaxed. When those horses in front of me started getting tired, I just took over and took command. He was brave. [Gun Pilot] was making a nice run and my horse held him off.

Prior to his unplaced Gotham, Eyeing Clover was unbeaten. After a sharp debut over six furlongs Dec. 31 at Oaklawn, he shipped to Fair Grounds for an optional allowance Jan. 28 at the same distance to romp by 9 3/4 lengths and register an 86 Beyer Speed Figure. The Gotham, at the same mile distance as the Hot Springs, was his first start beyond six furlongs.

Eyeing Clover is the fourth black-type winner for his dam, whose GSW Heavenhasmy Nikki sold for $775,000 in foal to Into Mischief at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November sale and was sent to Japan after Katsumi Yoshida signed the ticket. The mare has a yearling filly by American Pharoah and was bred back to Uncle Mo for this spring.

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APPLETON S., $150,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.13, fm.
1--STEADY ON, 118, c, 4, Pioneerof the Nile--Wile Cat, by Storm Cat. ($250,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $275,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable; B-Springhouse Farm (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. $87,420. Lifetime Record: GSP, 8-3-3-0, $275,970. *1/2 to Shumoos (Distorted Humor), GSW-Eng, GSP-USA, $242,321.
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2--Churchtown, 122, g, 4, Air Force Blue--Complicated, by Blame. ($65,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV; $40,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESSEP). O/B-William Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo (KY); T-Roger L. Attfield. $28,200.

3--Fort Washington, 122, c, 4, War Front--Azaelia (Fr), by Turtle Bowl (Ire). O-Peter M. Brant and Joseph Allen LLC; B-Joseph Allen, LLC & White Birch Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III. $14,100.


Also Ran: Lucky Curlin, County Final, Gray's Fable, Dreams of Tomorrow, Souper Dormy, Roaring Forties, Striker, He'spuregold. Scratched: Winfromwithin.

Shortly before his same connections took the GI Curlin Florida Derby with Forte (Violence), Steady On got the ball rolling with a win in the Appleton S., his first win since taking an allowance race at Belmont’s Aqueduct meeting last October. Entered off a narrow half-length loss in Gulfstream’s GIII Canadian Turf S. Mar. 4, the $275,000 Keeneland September grad shortened back to a mile for the first time since that victory Oct. 22. Dispatched as the 9-5 choice, Steady On stalked off the pace from fourth as Churchtown paced the field through an opening quarter in :24.22. Well positioned into the far bend, he charged outside of that rival, took command with a furlong to run, and just edged past Churchtown to score narrowly. Out of a full-sister to GSW Cat Fighter, Steady On’s only younger sibling is a 2-year-old Uncle Mo colt named Glasgow. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

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CUTLER BAY S., $145,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 3yo, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.35, fm.

1--BEHIND ENEMY LINES (GB), 118, c, 3, by Sioux Nation
1st Dam: Autumn Snow (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire)
2nd Dam: Epic Similie (GB), by Lomitas (GB)
3rd Dam: Epitome (Ire), by Nashwan

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (88,000gns Wlg '20 TATFOA; 90,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT; €173,228 RNA 2yo '22 GODFUB).

O-Rockingham Ranch, Talla Racing LLC & David A Bernsen; B-The Brigadier Partnership (GB); T-Jack Sisterson; J-Jose L Ortiz. $87,203. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, $94,672.

When the markets opened for Saturday’s Cutler Bay S. at Gulfstream Park, the tote read 1-9 on the U.S.-debuting Behind Enemy Lines and the early action proved spot on, as the bay enjoyed a smooth trip and pounced late to become the first American stakes winner—and fifth overall—for his successful young sire (by Scat Daddy).

Last seen dominating a Dundalk all-weather maiden for Joseph O’Brien and previous owner Justin Casse, Behind Enemy Lines was a bit tardy from the stalls, but recovered to race on the back of pacesetting Drinking Problem (Gormley) and nicely covered up down the backstretch. Going comfortably into the final three furlongs, he was steered out and around favored Harry Time (Ire) (Harry Angel (Ire)) nearing the stretch and kicked home smartly to score cozily at final odds of 16-5.

Behind Enemy Lines went through the Tattersalls sales ring on two occasions, selling for 88,000gns as a weanling in late 2020 and for 90,000gns during Book 2 of the auction house’s October Yearling Sale the following October. He was among the first group of horses ticketed for the inaugural Goffs Dubai Breeze-Up Sale last March (under-tack video), but was led out unsold on a bid of just over €173,000. He was a well-beaten ninth in a six-furlong grass maiden at the Curragh last August before breaking through last time. Behind Enemy Lines is the second black-type winner to emerge from the 2022 Goffs Dubai Breeze-Up, joining this year’s Listed Al Bastakiya S. winner Go Soldier Go (Tapiture).

From the extended female family of Eclipse Award and GI Breeders’ Cup Mile hero Modern Games (Ire) (Dubawi (Ire)), Group 2 winner and Group 1-placed Mawj (Ire) (Exceed and Excel (Aus)) and SW & MGSP Modern News (GB) (Shamardal),

2--Anglophile, 118, c, 3, English Channel--Trustmore Lovemore, by Kitten’s Joy. 1ST BLACK-TYPE. O-LFG Racing, LLC; B-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W Wright (KY); T-Brian A Lynch. $28,130.

3--Dunedin, 120, c, 3, Munnings--Faith in Cathy, by Hold Me Back. ($140,000 Ylg '21 KEESSEP). 1ST BLACK-TYPE.
the winner is kin to the 2-year-old colt Looking Bere (Fr) (Le Brivido (Fr)) and a yearling colt by Whitecliffsfordover (War Front). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

EXCELSIOR S., $125,000, Aqueduct, 4-1, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.34, my.
1--LAW PROFESSOR, 122, g, 5, Constitution—Haunted Heroine (MSW, $267,150), by Ghostzapper. O/B-Twin Creeks Racing & Farm (KY); T-Rob Atras; J-Manuel Franco. $68,750. Lifetime Record: GISP & GSW, 16-6-2-2, $851,890.
2--Keystone Field, 118, g, 8, Candy Ride (Arg)—She's an Eleven, by In Excess (Ire). ($525,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-CRK Stables, LLC (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. $25,000.
3--Miles D, 118, h, 5, Curlin—Sound the Trumpets, by Bernardini. ($470,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). O-Peter M. Brant and Robert V. LaPenta; B-River Bend Farm (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. $15,000. Margins: 4 1/4, 4, 1HF. Odds: 0.50, 7.90, 3.95.

Sunday Shoes came running late after a slow start to steal her debut win over this same surface at 6 1/2 panels Feb. 15 and was thus slammed into even-money favoritism for her jump into stakes company Saturday night. A $500,000 Keeneland September yearling, the filly got off to a better beginning, racing mid pack in fifth behind a half in :46.08 set by B G Warrior. Kept off the rail in the clear up the backstretch, she angled for an inside rally to out-kick fellow closer Jill Jitterbug down the lane and edge away late to keep her perfect record intact.

Third dam Easy Now (Danzig), herself a winner of the GI Go for Wand S., is also a half-sister to champion 2-year-old colt and Hall of Famer Easy Goer (Alydar). Sunday Shoes is her dam's last reported foal. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
SIR SHACKLETON S., $105,000, Gulfstream, 4-1, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22.15, ft.

1--WEYBURN, 118, h, 5, Pioneerof the Nile--Sunday Affair, by A.P. Indy. O/B-Chiefswood Stables Limited (ON); T-James A. Jerkens; J-Jose L. Ortiz. $59,520. Lifetime Record: GSW, 15-4-3-0, $528,994. *1/2 to Yorkton (Speightstown), MGSW-Can, GSP-USA, $546,332; 1/2 to Nipigon (Niigon), MSP, $384,329.

2--Dean Deliverer, 118, g, 4, Cajun Breeze--Slick and True, by Yes It’s True. O/B-Stonehedge LLC (FL); T-Michael Yates. $24,200.

3--Steal Sunshine, 122, c, 4, Constitution--Warm Sunshine, by Unbridled’s Song. O-Carrie L. Brogden; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Bobby S. Dibona. $9,600.

Margins: NK, NK, 2. Odds: 2.20, 3.00, 6.60.

Also Ran: Celestial Glaze, Collaborate, Octane, Mish, Paco's Pico, My Prankster.

The GIII Gotham S. winner two years back and the defending champion of this race from a year ago, Weyburn spent much of 2022 running behind such notable names as Olympiad (Speightstown) and Eclipse finalist Cody’s Wish (Curlin). Dropped from stakes racing into an optional claimer last time out in his first race since Aug. 2022, he chased home last year’s GI Curlin Florida Derby hero White Abarrio (Race Day) to be second Mar. 4. Bumped at the start Saturday, Weyburn had only a handful of rivals beat up the backstretch and was caught several paths off the rail into the far turn. Under a ride from the back a quarter mile from home, he bid inside of Dean Deliverer and the pair bobbed heads to the wire with Weyburn gamely holding off that rival for the narrow score.

“He certainly had to work for it,” noted winning trainer James Jerkins. “It’s tough for a horse with his style. There were horses with speed but none with blinding speed. He closed in during the fastest quarter [of a mile] which took a toll on him late. He fought back. He went up against it a little today. I thought it was setting up against him a little bit, but I’m happy he persevered, thank God.”

From the family of champion older mare and MGISW Sky Beauty (Blushing Groom {Fr}), MGISW Tale of Ekati (Tale of the Cat), GI Breeders’ Cup Distaff winner Pleasant Home (Seeking the Gold), and GSW/MGISP Country Hideaway (Seeking the Gold), Weyburn’s dam produced a filly by American Pharoah this spring after three years of coming up empty. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

SANIBEL ISLAND S., $104,500, Gulfstream, 4-1, 3yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:29.90, fm.

1--BREATH AWAY (GB), 118, f, 3, by Bated Breath (GB)

1st Dam: Darling Grace (GB), by Nayef

2nd Dam: Lady Grace (Ire), by Orpen

3rd Dam: Lady Taufan (Ire), by Taufan ($92,000gns Wlg ’20 TATFOA; 230,000gns Ylg ’21 TATOCT).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Rocco, Steven and Tango Uniform Racing LLC; B-Highgate Stud (GB); T-Christophe Clement; J-Jose L. Ortiz. $59,520. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $116,640.

2--Metaphysical, 118, f, 3, American Freedom--Another Ghazo, by Haynesfield. ($60,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP).

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Rocket Ship Racing, LLC; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Jeff A. Hiles. $19,200.

3--Mohawk Trail, 120, f, 3, Pioneerof the Nile--Iroquois Girl, by Indian Charlie. ($180,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP).

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-NBS Stable; B-Westbury Stables LLC (FL); T-Kelsey Danner. $14,100.

Margins: 2HF, NO, NK. Odds: 2.60, 6.20, 25.70.

Also Ran: Love Appeals, Aunt Shirley, Lady Hamilton, Riding Pretty, She's a Joy, Faccia Bella. Scratched: Mrs. Astor.

Breath Away made her debut in stakes company a winning one with a thundering last-to-first victory by 2 1/2 lengths at odds of 5-2. The filly bumped slightly with a rival to her outside at the break, which didn't make much of a difference to her as she dropped back to the back of the pack, content to spot the field in front of her at least a half-dozen lengths all the way around the clubhouse turn and up the backstretch. Aunt Shirley (Justify) controlled the unhurried pace for more than three-quarters of a mile and as the early leader made the final bend, the winner was moving swiftly and guided out into the six path at the top of the lane for clear running room. Despite having nearly a sixteenth of a mile to make up on the field in front of her with more than a furlong left to run, she dug in courageously and ran down each rival with ease before reaching the lead a few yards out and pulling away to the win.

The British-bred and two-time Tattersalls sales graduate is a full sister to Simply Breathless (GB), GSW, $256,204, and her dam also produced an unnamed 2-year-old filly by Advertise (GB) and a yearling full sister. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Oaklawn, $125,000, Alw (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 4-1, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.05, ft, 7 1/4 lengths.

STRAIGHT NO CHASER (c, 4, Speightster--Margarita Friday, by Johannesburg) broke his maiden on the grass last summer at Del Mar but really took off once brought to the Santa Anita main track three starts back. Though well-beaten in the GI Malibu S. Dec. 26, he rebounded with a close third in the six furlong GIII Palos Verdes S. when last spotted Feb. 5 in what was his third consecutive Beyer Speed Figure over 90. Favored at 8-5 Saturday, Straight No Chaser took the early advantage from the gate and set the pace up the backstretch. Still unchallenged at the top of the stretch, he kicked away from the field with a furlong to run and was ridden out to defeat Osbourne (Tapiture) by 7 1/4 lengths. The half-brother to Hangover Saturday (Pomeroy), SW, $106,875, Straight No Chaser has a placed 3-year-old half-sister by Connect while his dam returned to Connect and produced a colt last year before visiting Omaha Beach and foaling another colt in 2023. Sales History: $110,000 2yo '21 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: GSP, 6-3-0-1, $185,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-MyRacehorse; B-J. Eaton & Steve Laymon (KY); T-Dan Blacker.

1st-Santa Anita, $73,296, Alw, 4-1, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:09.57, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

BENEDICT CANYON (f, 4, Midnight Lute--Bessie M {SW, $218,282}, by Medallist) not seen in just over a year, began her juvenile career by breaking her maiden near Solana Beach in Southern California Sept. 5 for trainer Bob Baffert at second-asking. After a third place in the Anoakia S. at Santa Anita Oct. 24, the dark bay filly was sixth in the GI Starlet S. on the stretch out at Los Alamitos Dec. 4. Shortly thereafter, Little Red Feather sent her to Steve Asmussen at Oaklawn Park where she was sixth in an allowance route Dec. 31 against Secret Oath (Arrogate), and then as a 3-year-old she was fifth, sprinting against optional claimers Mar. 24. After an extended layoff for new trainer Phil D’Amato, Benedict Canyon switched to the grass for the first time in this spot. The 3-1 shot strolled along at the back the field, but around the far turn she hugged the fence before finding a seam in the two path. With a sixteenth left in front of her, she surged ahead to win by 1 1/4-lengths over the tardy Procrastination (Not This Time). The winner’s dam last produced a 2-year-old filly by Not This Time. Sales History: $18,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $60,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; $215,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-2, $112,860. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG. O-Little Red Feather Racing; B-Mitch Haynes (KY); T-Philip D’Amato.
4th-Gulfstream, $72,000, Alw (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 4-1, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:34.76, ft, 2 1/4 lengths
BRIGHT FUTURE (c, 4, Curlin--Sophia’s Song (SW & GSP, $155,892), by Bellamy Road) sparkled in his return to the races for the connections of the day’s heavy favorite in the GI Florida Derby. This $350,000 Keeneland yearling purchase was on the bench since a June 11 third-place finish in an allowance at Belmont after a 91 debut Beyer Speed Figure last March over the same track and trip as Saturday’s return. The chestnut tracked the early pace in hand and then was let out a notch at the half-mile pole. Once the group of older horses hit the head of the lane, Irad Ortiz, Jr. asked the question and his colt responded the way a 6-5 favorite should. He drew clear of the oncoming Giant Game (Giant’s Causeway) to register a 2 1/4-length workmanlike score in a crisp 1:34.76. The winner has now taken two of his three starts. Bright Future’s dam also has a 2021 Mitole colt named Booth—a $225,000 purchase by Bill and Corinne Heiligbrodt and Jackpot Farm at the recent OBS March sale after breezing a furlong in :10— and a 2022 Tiz the Law colt. She was bred to Maxfield for this term. Sales History: $350,000 Ylg ’20 KEESSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, $86,040. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Repole Stable and St. Elias Stable; B-Clearsky Farms (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

4th-Oaklawn, $110,000, Msw, 4-1, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:45.34, ft, 1 length.
SEEKCING UNITY (c, 3, Unified--Seeking Luck, by Seeking the Gold) reached the winner’s circle after a three-race streak of runner-up finishes in maiden company with a length victory as the 4-5 favorite. The colt was quick out of the gate and hustled up to the front, holding a slight advantage as he made his way around the clubhouse turn but gave up his early edge to the dueling duo of Auto Glide (Tiznow) and Night Effect (Malibu Moon). Content to track the dueling pair while parked well off the rail all the way up the backstretch, he made his move to the outside of the leaders midway on the turn and stuck his head in front just past the eighth pole while traveling out toward the middle of the track. He continued on to the wire under stern handling, successfully holding off a stubborn Night Effect at the wire. Seeking Luck also produced an unnamed 2-year-old filly by Exaggerator, a yearling filly by Street Sense and visited the court of Knicks Go for a foal this year. Sales History: $280,000 Ylg ’21 FTSUAG. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-0, $113,250. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-WinStar Farm & Siena Farm; B-Caperlane (FL); T-Kenneth McPeek.

7th-Golden Gate Fields, $33,496, Alw (NW3LX)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 3-31, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:39.46, ft, nose.
PRINCE ABU DHABI (g, 3, Palace Malice--American Girl (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire)) belied odds of 22-1 to debut a decisive winner at Golden Gate last September, and resurfaced here Feb. 11 to double up as the chalk. Further flattered when that race produced two next-out winners, the 8-5 second choice was handled, successfully holding off a stubborn Night Effect at the 4 1/2-length victory over Runaway Jack (Not This Time). The winner has a new born half-brother from the first crop of Raging Bull (Fr). Sales History: $8,000 Ylg ’21 KEESSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, $55,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Lance & Steve Kinross; B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright.
1st-Gulfstream, $70,000, Msw, 4-1, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36.29, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

SPANSIVE (f, 3, Karakontie (Jpn)--Fleur de Cerise, by Bernardini), off as the 2-1 favorite from a morning line of 6-1, was given a well-judged ride from the front by Jose Ortiz and had something left late to graduate nicely on debut in the Curlin Florida Derby day lid-lifter. Nicely into stride and asked for just enough speed to make the lead, the dark bay took them through an opening quarter in a modest :25.27 and controlled things through a half in :49.50 while taking token pressure from Millennium Park (Curlin), a Glen Hill-homebred daughter of turf MSW/MGSP Compelled (War Front) who was trying the turf for the first time. Fellow firster Gloria's Princess (Cairo Prince), a half-sister to GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup heroine Harvey's Lil Goil (American Pharoah) and bet in half from her morning line of 12-1, rolled up outside the top two in upper stretch after stalking the pace from third and looked to have all the momentum, but given the race shape, Spansive had plenty to offer in the final furlong and reported home a 1 1/4-length winner. Spansive is out of a daughter of former Dogwood Stables runner Cotton Blossom (Broken Vow), who was trained by this conditioner to win the 2007 GI Acorn S. A $20,000 Keeneland September yearling, Spansive was knocked down to West Bloodstock on behalf of Mike Repole for $145,000 at last year's OBS June Sale after breezing an eighth of a mile in :10 1/5. Fleur de Cerise is the dam of a 2-year-old colt by Tapwrit, a yearling filly by McKinzie and foaled a colt by Raging Bull (Fr) on St. Patrick's Day. Sales history: $20,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; $145,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $42,000.

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O-Repole Stable; B-Gainesway (KY); T-Todd Pletcher.

6th-Gulfstream, $70,000, Msw, 4-1, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36.23, fm, 5 1/4 lengths.

GET YOUR KICKS (f, 3, Quality Road--Cali Thirty Seven (MSW, $271,060), by Eskendereya) debuted to be a well-beaten fourth over a mile on Gulfstream’s main track Feb. 12 in her first start since bringing $300,000 at last year’s OBS April Sale. Kept to the mile but given the surface switch to the grass Saturday as the 2-1 selection, she sat a good stalking trip from third behind Every Time (Not This Time) who led through a half in :47.74. Get Your Kicks loomed to be a well-beaten fourth over a mile on Gulfstream’s main track Feb. 12 in her first start since bringing $300,000 at last year’s OBS April Sale. Kept to the mile but given the surface switch to the grass Saturday as the 2-1 selection, she sat a good stalking trip from third behind Every

SWISS FRANC (f, 3, Good Magic--Zermatt (SP, $233,105), by Tiznow) debuted at Turfway Dec. 21 in fourth going six and a half furlongs before being outgamed for second at mile in succession Jan. 25 and Feb. 22. Looking to graduate, the bay filly went off as the 2-1 favorite in this race, and though she was pushed four-wide around the initial turn, she settled into the second flight between a pair of runners. Down the backstretch, Swiss Franc lost a spot, but rounding the far turn under some stiff fractions of :46.82 for the first half-mile, the chalk began to rally to the outside. At the top of the lane her road of choice was the four path, and she kicked right past Exhibit Hall (Munnings) with a sixteenth left to win by 3 1/2-lengths. The winner’s dam produced a pair of fillies, one by Ghostzapper and the other by Improbable, starting in 2021. Last year, she visited Violence. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, $73,150.

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O/B-Blue Heaven Farm (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux.

9th-Turfway, $68,831, Msw, 3-31, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:10.27, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

FOGO ISLAND (f, 3, Speightstown--Our Smile, by Medaglia d'Oro), away at 4-1 for this first go, out-kicked fellow firster Blue Topaz (Cross Traffic) to post a 1 3/4-length decision. The winner
is bred on the potent cross responsible for GISWs Olympiad, Rock Fall and Competitionofideas. Her dam is a half-sister to European MG1SW and Highweight Order of St George (Ire) (Galileo [Ire]) and her third dam is champion 2-year-old filly Storm Song (Summer Squall). Our Smile fetched $80,000 at KEEJAN ’21 while carrying a Hard Spun colt. She visited Mendelssohn last season. Sales history: $320,000 Ylg ’21 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $42,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-OXO Equine LLC; B-La Bahia Stud Inc (KY); T-Paulo H. Lobo.

6th-Laurel, $52,300, Msw, 4-1, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:26.09, gd, head. SISTER CLOUDY (f, 3, Collected--El Fasto, by El Prado [Ire]) had some trouble loading into the gate for her debut and it showed with her flat-footed break, which forced her to take back in the early going. Hindwright Away (Run Away and Hide) sped to the front and led the field all the way up the backstretch and around the bend, while Sister Cloudy sat back and unhurried, a half-dozen lengths behind. Just as the early leader passed four furlongs in :45.63 with a clear advantage, the winner was guided over to the rail and navigated through the opening. The bay filly dug in gamely and wore down her frontrunning rival to the outside within the final sixteenth, narrowly snatching the win in the last jump at odds of 7-2. The Kentucky homebred is a half-sister to Believe You Can (Proud Citizen), GISW, $1,280,324 and this year 22-year-old El Fasto produced a colt by Beau Liam. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $31,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O/B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Brittany T. Russell.

IN SINGAPORE:
Jewel Sixty-One, g, 5, First Samurai--Dance Fever, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Kranji, 4-1, Hcp (C4), 1400mT, 1:23.19. B-Fleming Thoroughbreds Farm (NY). *Formerly Maarook. **1/2 to Estrela Monarchos (Monarchos), Ch. Older-Mare & G1SW-Brz, $138,725. $$$52,000 Ylg ’19 FTKOCT; $40,000 2yo ’20 OBSJUL. VIDEO

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SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SUNDAY, APRIL 2
2023 Stud Fees Listed
Bee Jersey (Jersey Town), Darby Dan Farm, $5,000
87 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners
3-Sam Houston Race, 2:59 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5 1/2f, Candy Bee, 8-1

Bucchero (Kantharos), Pleasant Acres Stallions
155 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Fast Fixer, 30-1

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane’s End Farm, $60,000
209 foals of racing age/21 winners/5 black-type winners
9-Santa Anita, 8:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Luminiferous, 10-1
$230,000 KEE SEP yrl
11-Gulfstream, 5:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Shootoutthelights, 7-2
$525,000 KEE SEP yrl

Conquest Mo Money (Uncle Mo), McKenna Thoroughbreds
30 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner
10-Sunland, 6:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Dandy Money, 15-1
10-Sunland, 6:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Ruthless Money, 20-1

Girvin (Tale of Ekati), Airdrie Stud, $20,000
180 foals of racing age/30 winners/5 black-type winners
6-Hawthorne, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5 1/2f, Specializin, 3-1

Good Samaritan (Harlan’s Holiday), WinStar Farm, $7,500
172 foals of racing age/31 winners/1 black-type winner
11-Gulfstream, 5:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Secret Money, 8-1
$35,000 KEE SEP yrl; $40,000 EAS MAY 2yo

McCraken (Ghostzapper), Airdrie Stud
48 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Hawthorne, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5 1/2f, Lucksmes, 5-2
$30,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mor Spirit (Es肯德雷亚), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
190 foals of racing age/28 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Sam Houston Race, 2:59 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5 1/2f, Mor Peanuts RNA TTA YHR yrl; $18,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

My Johnny Be Good (Colonel John)
3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Sunland, 2:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, R K Kairos, 20-1
Prospect Park (Tapit), Sau
42 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Santa Anita, 5:31 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Star Prospect, 5-2

Tapwrit (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, $10,000
177 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Oaklawn, 3:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Mad Hustle, 20-1
$100,000 FTK JUL yr

TOCKA WARRIOR (g, 4, Cupid--Gottah Penny, by Stravinsky)
Lifetime Record: SP, 14-4-3-4, $207,490. O-Xtreme Racing Stables, LLC; B-Christopher Shelli & Caliburn Farm LLC (NY); T-M. Robertson. *$52,000 Wlg '19 FTNMIX; $160,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT.

PATTERN BET (f, 4, Gentlemen's Bet--J J's Pattern, by Langfuhr)
Lifetime Record: SP, 10-2-5-1, $243,459. O/B-H.Rosenblum (AR); T-Ron Moquett.

HYPERSPORT (f, 4, Blame--Good Witch Glinda, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 12-2-6-1, $292,025. O-Muddy Waters Stables LLC; B-Carrie Ann Walker (KY); T-Ingrid Mason. *$25,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $100,000 Ylg '20 KEESOP.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
13th-Oaklawn, $125,000, 4-1, (NW1$X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:38.30, ft, nose.

TURFWAY, $73,893, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 3-31, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:36.87, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

UNDER ONE SKY (f, 4, Unified--Weekend Sky {Aus}, by Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-1, $153,269. O-Nathan Sea & Mark Milliner; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Juan Munoz Cano. *1/2 to Thumping (Any Given Saturday), SW-Sin, $319,253.
3rd-Sam Houston Race Park, $37,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($30,000), 4-1, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.68, fm, 1 1/4 lengths. SIGN OF WAR (g, 5, Half Ours--Lady o' War, by Leestown) Lifetime Record: SP, 21-4-4-0, $125,266. O-L and G Racing Stables; B-World War IV Racing (LA); T-Cesar Govea.

4th-Charles Town, $36,300, (S), 3-31, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52.05, ft, 2 1/2 lengths. HONEYQUIST (c, 3, Nyquist--Honey Chile {MGSP-USA, GSP-Can, $344,924}, by Invisible Ink) Lifetime Record: MSP, 5-3-2-0, $96,691. O-Mammas Boys Thoroughbred Racing Group LLC, Ultra Championship Racing LLC & James F. Miller; B-James F. Miller (WV); T-Anthony Farrior. *$170,000 Ylg '21 FTKFEB; $175,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP.

5th-Sam Houston Race, $36,000, 4-1, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18.57, ft, 1 1/4 lengths. FEELING HAPPY (f, 4, Runhappy--Breathtaking, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-4, $177,331. O/BSF Equine Athlete LLC; B-William B. Harrigan (KY); T-M. Brent Davidson. *$27,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; $100,000 3yo '22 KEENOV.

9th-Sam Houston Race, $36,000, 4-1, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.29, ft, neck. TEMPLAR RED (m, 6, Secret Circle--Ocean Spray Too, by Mr. Greeley) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, $65,291. O/B-Jim Plemmons (KY); T-Kari Craddock.

8th-Golden Gate Fields, $35,884, 3-31, (NW1$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10.93, ft, 3 1/4 lengths. ZAZEN (f, 4, Grazen--Smokin' Grey, by Smoke Glacken) Lifetime Record: 17-5-1-3, $81,617. O-Sue & Tim Spooner; B-William T. Griffin (WA); T-Dan L. Markle. *$14,000 RNA Ylg '20 WASSEP. **1/2 to Sir Sahib (Fort Larned), GISP, $313,470.

8th-Charles Town, $35,100, (S), 6-31, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:27.03, ft, neck. LITTLE ROO ROO (g, 3, Limehouse--Pepper Bay (MSP, $141,807), by Bop) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, $63,083. O/T-Michael E. Jones, Jr.; B-Sherwood Bryant (WV).

6th-Charles Town, $34,900, 3-31, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:48.29, ft, head. ROYAL PAIN (c, 4, Golden Years--Royal Passage, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-2, $115,683. O/B-O'Sullivan Farms LLC (WV); T-Jamey R. Johnson.

5th-Charles Town, $33,900, (S), 4-1, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52.61, ft, 3 1/2 lengths. STRYDA (f, 3, Great Notion--Maryland's Love, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, $50,010. O-FTF Racing LLC; B-Jill N. Daniel (WV); T-Jamey R. Johnson.

6th-Turf Paradise, $21,900, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($10,000-$12,500), 4-1, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:35.83, ft, neck. STREET RUCKUS (g, 5, Street Boss--Xs Belle, by Dynaformer) Lifetime Record: 19-4-4-5, $190,946. O-Peerenboom Racing Stables LLC, Holly and David Wilson; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Vladimir Cerin. *$85,000 3yo '21 OBSWIN. **1/2 to Sir Sahib (Fort Larned), GISP, $313,725.

8th-Turf Paradise, $20,600, (C)/Opt. Clm ($20,000-$25,000), 4-1, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.25, fm, 1/2 length. SINGLE LADY (m, 5, Shanghai Bobby--Latitude Forty {MSW, $298,014}, by Victorian Valour) Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-2, $115,683. O/B-O'Sullivan Farms LLC (WV); T-Jamey R. Johnson.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Golden Dagger, f, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Lethal Hunter, by Jade Hunter. Turfway, 4-1, (C), 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:18.24. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $24,000. B-M. Auerbach, (KY). *$55,000 RNA Wlg '20 KEENOV; $28,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; $75,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSMAR; $67,000 RNA 2yo '22 EASMAY. *1/2 to Huntsville (Unusual Heat), SW, $238,014.


Twitter Traffic, f, 3, Cross Traffic--All a Twitter, by D'wildcat. Sam Houston Race Park, 4-1, (S), 1m, 1:43.03. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $21,140. B-Stevens Thoroughbreds, Inc. (TX). *$36,000 2yo '22 TTAAPR.


Into Love, f, 3, Into Mischief--Best of Times, by Mineshaft. Oaklawn, 4-1, (S), 6f, 1:11.45. Lifetime Record: 6-1-3-0, $121,836. B-Rebel Thoroughbreds LLC, Rowland Hancock & David Walker (KY). *$200,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Promise of Spring (Drosselmeyer), MGSP, $226,442.
Malibu Rock Star, g, 3, Malibu Moon--Vilao (SW, $160,808), by Grave Digger. Charles Town, 4-1, 7f, 1:30.12. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, $28,487. B-Allan & Lori Chappell & Spendthrift Farms, LLC (KY). *$17,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT.

Rivka (IRE), f, 3, No Nay Never--Rubina (Ire) (SP-Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Golden Gate Fields, 3-31, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:47.10. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, $32,660. B-Haras Don Alberto (IRE). *$385,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP. *1/2 to Rubilinda (Frankel {GB}), MSW, $246,540.

Patti Blue Eyes, f, 3, Race Day--Blushing Damsel, by Orientate. Charles Town, 3-31, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.76. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-0, $43,083. B-J. Franklin (WV). *$9,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT.

Six Feet, g, 4, Dads Caps--Moonie, by Square Eddie. Santa Anita, 4-1, (S), 5 1/2fT, 1:03.18. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, $61,900. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). *$40,000 RNA Ylg '20 FTCAYR.

Peruvian Lucky, c, 4, Lookin At Lucky--Solarana (Arg) (GSW-Arg, MSP-USA, $178,560), by Mutakddim. Turfway, 4-1, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.91. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-2, $80,190. B-Stud Recoveco LLC (KY). *1/2 to Peruvian Appeal (Successful Appeal), GSP, $333,528.

Blursday, f, 4, Mucho Macho Man--Trap Queen, by Good Journey. Santa Anita, 4-1, (S), (C), 6f, 1:12.25. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, $25,840. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA).

American Heights, m, 5, American Pharoah--Saxet Heights (MSW, $338,331), by Outflanker. Turfway, 3-31, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.39. Lifetime Record: 12-1-5-1, $80,190. B-Stud Recoveco LLC (KY). *1/2 to Peruvian Appeal (Successful Appeal), GSP, $333,528.

Jerry's Turn, g, 5, Girolamo--Get Set Go, by More Than Ready. Gulfstream, 4-1, (C), 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:02.99. Lifetime Record: 27-1-9-5, $150,090. B-R. Manfuso (MD). *$90,000 Ylg EASOCT.

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**ALL TDN WINNERS BY SIRE**

**American Pharoah**, American Heights, m, 5, o/o Saxet Heights, by Outflanker. MSW, 3-31, Turfway

**American Pharoah**, Marketsegmentation, f, 4, o/o Lonelily (Ire), by Medaglia d'Oro. Sand Springs S., 4-1, Gulfstream

**Army Mule**, Federal Judge, c, 3, o/o Congarette, by Congaree. MSW, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Arrogate**, Affirmative Lady, f, 3, o/o Stiffed, by Stephen Got Even. GII Gulfstream Park Oaks Presented by FanDuel TV, 4-1, Gulfstream

**Blame**, Hypersport, f, 4, o/o Good Witch Glinda, by Unbridled's Song. ALW, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Blame**, Wet Paint, f, 3, o/o Sky Painter, by Street Cry (Ire). GILL Fantasy S., 4-1, Oaklawn

**Bolt d'Oro**, Golden Dagger, f, 3, o/o Lethal Hunter, by Jade Hunter. MCL, 4-1, Turfway

**Brethren**, Clapton, c, 4, o/o Alexandra Rilee, by Afield Alex. Gill Ghostzapper S., 4-1, Gulfstream

**Cat Burglar**, Em N Holl's Fiesta, f, 3, o/o Indian Fiesta, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 4-1, Golden Gate

**Central Banker**, Pete N Billy, c, 3, o/o Thin Dress, by Frost Giant. MSW, 4-1, Aqueduct

**Classic Empire**, Angel of Empire, c, 3, o/o Armony's Angel, by To Honor and Serve. Gl Arkansas Derby, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Collected**, Sister Cloudy, f, 3, o/o El Fasto, by El Prado (Ire). MSW, 4-1, Laurel

**Constitution**, Law Professor, g, 5, o/o Haunted Heroine, by Ghostzapper. Excelsior S., 4-1, Aqueduct

**Cross Traffic**, Twitter Traffic, f, 3, o/o All a Twitter, by D'wildcat. MSW, 4-1, Sam Houston

**Cupid**, Tonka Warrior, g, 4, o/o Gottah Penny, by Straevinsky. ALW, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Curlin**, Bright Future, c, 4, o/o Sophia's Song, by Bellamy Road. AOC, 4-1, Gulfstream

**Dads Caps**, Six Feet, g, 4, o/o Moonie, by Square Eddie. MSW, 4-1, Santa Anita

**Declaration of War**, Hopper, c, 4, o/o Irridence (Saf), by Caesour. Gill Oaklawn Mile S., 4-1, Oaklawn

**Double Irish**, Sassy Lass, f, 3, o/o Demi Ten, by Half Ours. MSW, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Empire Way**, Twilight Empire, m, 6, o/o Rugula, by Bernstein. AOC, 4-1, Golden Gate

**English Channel**, English Challenge, g, 7, o/o Bahia Beach, by Awesome Again. AOC, 3-31, Turfway

**Freud**, Therapist, g, 8, o/o Lady Renaissance, by Smart Strike. GII Pan American S. Presented by Rood & Riddle, 4-1, Gulfstream

**Gentlemen's Bet**, Pattern Bet, f, 4, o/o J J's Pattern, by Langfuhr. AOC, 4-1, Oaklawn

**Girolamo**, Jerry's Turn, g, 5, o/o Get Set Go, by More Than Ready. MOC, 4-1, Gulfstream

**Golden Years**, Royal Pain, c, 4, o/o Royal Passage, by Mineshaft. ALW, 3-31, Charles Town

**Good Magic**, Swiss Franc, f, 3, o/o Zermatt, by Tiznow. MSW,
4-1, Turfway
Grazen, Zazen, f, 4, o/o Smokin' Grey, by Smoke Glacken. ALW, 3-31, Golden Gate
Great Notion, Stryda, f, 3, o/o Maryland's Love, by Not For Love. ALW, 4-1, Charles Town
Half Ours, Sign of War, g, 5, o/o Lady o' War, by Leestown. AOC, 4-1, Sam Houston
Harbor the Gold, Top Harbor, h, 5, o/o Reba Is Tops, by He's Tops. ALW, 4-1, Golden Gate
Into Mischief, Into Love, f, 3, o/o Best of Times, by Mineshaft. AOC, 4-1, Oaklawn
Into Mischief, Intrigue, f, 4, o/o Elpeo, by Gone West. AOC, 4-1, Turfway
Karakontie (Jpn), Spansive, f, 3, o/o Fleur de Cerise, by Bernardini. MSW, 4-1, Gulfstream
Limeshouse, Little Roo Roo, g, 3, o/o Pepper Bay, by Bop. ALW, 3-31, Charles Town
Lookin At Lucky, Eyeing Clover, c, 3, o/o Floral Park, by Forest Wildcat. Hot Springs S., 4-1, Oaklawn
Lookin At Lucky, Peruvian Lucky, c, 4, o/o Solarana (Arg), by Mutakddim. MSW, 4-1, Turfway
Malibu Moon, Malibu Rock Star, g, 3, o/o Vilao, by Grave Digger. MSW, 4-1, Charles Town
Medaglia d'Oro, Ultimate Gamble, c, 3, o/o Eltimaas, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 4-1, Santa Anita
Midnight Lute, Benedict Canyon, f, 4, o/o Bessie M, by Medallist. ALW, 4-1, Santa Anita
Mucho Macho Man, Blursday, f, 4, o/o Trap Queen, by Good Journey. MCL, 4-1, Aqueduct
Nyquist, Honeyqust, c, 3, o/o Honey Chile, by Invisible Ink. ALW, 3-31, Charles Town
Palace Malice, Prince Abu Dhabi, g, 3, o/o American Girl (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). AOC, 3-31, Golden Gate
Pioneer of the Nile, Steady On, c, 4, o/o Wile Cat, by Storm Cat. Appleton S., 4-1, Gulfstream
Pioneer of the Nile, Sunday Shoes, f, 3, o/o Silvertoni, by Tapit. Serena’s Song S., 4-1, Turfway
Pioneer of the Nile, Weyburn, h, 5, o/o Sunday Affair, by A.P. Indy. Sir Shackleton S., 4-1, Gulfstream
Protectionist (Ger), Amazing Grace (Ger), m, 5, o/o Amabelle (Ger), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Gill Orchid S., 4-1, Gulfstream
Quality Road, Get Your Kicks, f, 3, o/o Cali Thirty Seven, by Eskendereya. MSW, 4-1, Gulfstream
Race Day, Patti Blue Eyes, f, 3, o/o Blushing Damself, by Orientate. MSW, 3-31, Charles Town
Runhappy, Feeling Happy, f, 4, o/o Breathtaking, by Mineshaft. ALW, 4-1, Sam Houston
Secret Circle, Templar Red, m, 6, o/o Ocean Spray Too, by Mr. Greeley. ALW, 4-1, Sam Houston
Shanghai Bobby, Single Lady, m, 5, o/o Latitude Forty, by Chester House. AOC, 4-1, Turf Paradise
Speightster, Straight No Chaser, c, 4, o/o Margarita Friday, by Johannesburg. AOC, 4-1, Oaklawn
Speightstown, Fogo Island, f, 3, o/o Our Smile, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 3-31, Turfway
Street Boss, Street Ruckus, g, 5, o/o Xs Belle, by Dynaformer. AOC, 4-1, Turf Paradise
Street Sense, Go West, g, 5, o/o Sushi Empire, by Empire Maker. ALW, 4-1, Oaklawn
Unified, Seeking Unity, c, 3, o/o Seeking Luck, by Seeking the Gold. MSW, 4-1, Oaklawn
Violence, Forte, c, 3, o/o Queen Caroline, by Blame. GI Curlin Florida Derby Presented by Hill 'n' Dale Farms at Xalapa, 4-1, Gulfstream
Vronsky, Closing Remarks, m, 5, o/o Orange Cove, by Unusual Heat. GII Royal Heroine S., 4-1, Santa Anita

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Gulfstream's GI Curlin Florida Derby Presented By Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa was won by Forte (Violence).

ALEXANDROUPOLIS CENTRE STAGE ON SUNDAY by Tom Frary

Providing it survives a morning inspection, with the ground currently heavy and more rain forecast, Leopardstown’s intriguing Sunday fixture will see a trio of Classic trials flooded with a big Ballydoyle presence including the exciting ‘TDN Rising Star’ Alexandroupolis (Ire) (Camelot {GB}). Due to make his eagerly-awaited second career start in the G3 P W McGrath Memorial Ballysax S., the centre of much attention at Rosegreen oozed class when beating his talented stablemate and eventual G1 Criterium International runner-up Espionage (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the extended mile maiden at Galway in September won by the yard’s Kyprios (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) two years earlier.

Moore’s Choice...

From the family of Kew Gardens (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), staying is going to be Alexandroupolis’s game and Ryan Moore places his confidence in him. Cont. p5

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It was always going to take a tough customer to deny The Revenant a third renewal of Saint-Cloud’s G3 Prix Edmond Blanc, but Godolphin’s Tribalist was just that on Saturday.

NO DERBY FOR BOLD ACT, POSSIBLE FOR ‘EMPEROR’

Bold Act extended his winning streak to four to land Chelmsford City’s Woodford Reserve Cardinal Conditions S. and Derby points, but Charlie Appleby will not aim for the US Classic.

MARSHA’S FIRST FOAL DEBUTS AT LEOPARDSTOWN

Tender Kiss, out of the outstanding sprinter and double Group 1 victress, is one of two well-met Aidan O’Brien trainees in the field in addition to Warm Heart, daughter of Triple Group 1 winner Sea Siren.

Ottery (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) had plenty in reserve in the fifth at Saint-Cloud on Saturday to register a 1 3/4-length verdict and break her maiden at second asking. | Scoop Dyga
Anthony Stroud, representing the owners, said, “I think she did it very well--it was a competitive race with runners from England and Ireland in there and she is a very progressive filly. It would be great if something else made the running, but she has this wonderful big stride and action and it’s very hard to hold her back. She’s a very exciting prospect. Our thoughts were initially to put her away until the Diane after this, but we might have to look at the [G1 Prix] Saint-Alary--it’s entirely up to Andre to make that call. The other thing is the jockey said she would easily get a mile and a half as well. I don’t think the Oaks is an option, as it’s been 100 years of the Wildenstein stable so the Prix de Diane will be the objective--to keep her at home.”

Pedigree Notes

On a big weekend for Camelot, whose seventh ‘TDN Rising Star’ this filly is, Pensee Du Jour is the last known foal out of the unraced Painter’s Pride who is a daughter of the GII Long Island H. winner Peinture Bleue (Alydar) and whose previous best was the G3 Mahab Al Shimaal winner and G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen-placed Canvassed (Ire) (Shamardal). Peinture Bleue is one of the Wildensteins’ more accomplished broodmares, providing the aforementioned Arc and Prix du Jockey Club-winning celebrity and sire Peintre Celebre (Nureyev), as well as the G2 Prix de Pomone scorer Peinture Rare (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells), the G3 Prix de Barbeville winner Pointilliste (Giant’s Causeway) and the listed scorer Peinture Rose (Storm Cat).

Another of Peinture Bleue’s Nureyev offerings was Pine Chip, who went on to become the ancestress of the South African champion Jet Dark (SAf) (Trippi), while her other descendants include the G3 JRA Cup winner Desert Icon (Fr) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and the GII Fall Highweight H. scorer Hopeful Treasure (Oxbow). The third dam is Petroleuse (Ire), who was successful in the G3 Princess Elizabeth S. and is kin to the champion Pawneeese (Ire) who was the last to complete the Penelope-Diane double, and ancestress of the sires Policy Maker (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells), Planteur (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}).

Saturday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX PENELope-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 4-1, 3yo, f, 10 1/2fT, 2:14.30, sf.

1--PENSEE DU JOUR (IRE), 126, f, 3, by Camelot (GB)

1ST GROUP WIN

TDN Rising Star

O-Ballymore Thoroughbred, Ltd; B-Dayton Investments, Ltd (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Bauyrzhan Murzabayev. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, €81,000. *1/2 to Canvassed (Ire) (Shamardal), GSW & G1SP-UAE, $424,594. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Sea Of Roses (GB), 126, f, 3, Sea The Moon (Ger)--Plume Rose (GB), by Marchand De Sable. 1ST BLACK-TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE. (115,000gns Wlg 20 TATFOA; 170,000gns Ylg ‘21 TATOCT). O-Weldspec Glasgow Limited; B-Overbury Stallions Ltd (GB); T-Andrew Balding. €16,000.
ON THE RACECOURSE

TRIBALIST
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TRIBALIST BEST IN THE EDMOND BLANC

by Tom Frary

It was always going to take a tough customer to deny The Revenant (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) a third renewal of Saint-Cloud’s G3 Prix Edmond Blanc, but Godolphin’s Tribalist (GB) (Farhh {GB}) is just that and managed to open his pattern-race account on Saturday.

Third in the G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouilains and narrowly denied by Erevann (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G3 Prix Paul de Moussac last term, the chestnut was in front after a furlong with Mickael Barzalona judging the pace with perfection. As the 13-10 favourite The Revenant failed to pick up as he would have done in his prime, it was the 13-2 shot who dictated for a 1 1/4-length success.

“He’s a very good horse—he had proved that throughout last season and he likes a bit of cut in the ground like his sire,” trainer Andre Fabre said. “We’ll follow the program for milers and head back here for the [May 1 G2 Prix du] Muguet next.”

Pedigree Notes

Tribalist, who was also successful in the Listed Prix Matchem and second in the G3 Prix Perth here in September and October, is the first foal out of the unraced Fair Daughter (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) who is kin to five stakes performers headed by the G1 Racing Post Trophy hero Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest). She is a daughter of Wiener Wald (Woodman), who is also the second dam of the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest hero Brando (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) and the GI American Oaks Invitational and GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup heroine Ticker Tape (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}) and the third dam of the G1 Middle Park S. and G1 Prix Morny-winning sire Reckless Abandon (GB) (Exchange Rate). Connected to the legendary sire Storm Cat, Fair Daughter’s 2-year-old full-sister to Tribalist is named Fair Point (GB), while she also has a yearling filly by Make Believe (GB).

Saturday, Saint-Cloud, France
PRIX EDMOND BLANC-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 4-1, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:42.37, sf.
1--TRIBALIST (GB), 126, c, 4, by Farhh (GB)
1st Dam: Fair Daughter (GB), by Nathaniel (Ire)
2nd Dam: Wiener Wald, by Woodman
3rd Dam: Chapel Of Dreams, by Northern Dancer
1ST GROUP WIN. (130,000gns Ylg ’20 TATOCT). O-Godolphin SNC; B-Car Colston Hall Stud (GB); T-Andre Fabre; J-Mickael Barzalona. €40,000. Lifetime Record: SW & G1SP-Fr, 12-3-4-3, €211,555. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--The Revenant (GB), 126, g, 8, Dubawi (Ire)--Hazel Lavery (Ire), Camelot (GB)--Frequential (GB), by Dansili (GB). 1ST BLACK-TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK-TYPE. (340,000gns Ylg ’21 TATOCT). O-M Tabor, D Smith, Mrs J Magnier & Westerberg; B-Lynch Bages Ltd & Longfield Stud (IRE); T-Aidan O’Brien. €12,000. Margins: 2HF, 3/4, HF. Odds: 1.40, 19.00, 6.00.
Also Ran: Iznik (Fr), Speirling Beag (Ire), Library (Ire), Solaire (Fr), Cite d’Or (Fr). Video, sponsored by TVG.
by Excellent Art (GB). O-Al Asayl France; B-Al Asayl Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €16,000.

3--Facteur Cheval (Ire), 128, g, 4, Ribchester (Ire)--Jawlaat (Ire), by Shamardal. (145,000gns Wlg ’19 TATFOA; €120,000 Ylg ’20 ARQSEP). O-Team Valor International; B-McCracken Farms (IRE); T-Jerome Reynier. €12,000.
Margins: 1 1/4, HD, 2HF. Odds: 6.60, 1.30, 4.00.

Also Ran: Anthorus (Fr), Rosacea (Ire), Angel Bleu (Fr), Kennella (Fr). Scratched: Gregarina (Fr). Video, sponsored by TVG.

Irish Classic Trials Cont. from p1

Moore opted not to be aboard either the unlucky Criterium Arqana runner-up Denmark (GB) (Camelot (GB)) or Mohawk Chief (Quality Road), who captured the seven-furlong Leopardstown maiden in October won by the stable’s former talented Galileo duo Cliffs Of Moher (Ire) and Star Of India (Ire). Surprisingly, this renowned Derby trial has only supplied the Blue Riband winner once since 2002 and that was Harzand (Ire) (Sea The Stars (Ire)), not among the 11 Aidan O’Brien-trained colts to prevail which include subsequent Epsom heroes Galileo (Ire) and High Chaparral (Ire).

A Familiar Tale...

O’Brien and Moore combine earlier on the card with another ‘TDN Rising Star’ in Hans Andersen (GB) (Frankel (GB)) in the G3 Ballyliffin Stud “Red Rocks” 2000 Guineas Trial S., which unlike the proceeding G3 Ballyliffin Stud “Priory Belle” 1000 Guineas Trial S. is light on overall quality. Ridden too forcefully when second in the G2 Futurity S. at The Curragh in August, Hans Andersen again did too much early when fifth in the G1 Vincent O’Brien National S. behind Al Riffa (Fr) (Wootton Bassett (GB)). Given that he had beaten that peer in his maiden at the Curragh, more patient tactics might see him regain his spark in a weak-looking renewal of this recently-upgraded contest.

The Story Is Still Young...

If the 2000 Trial lacks strength-in-depth, that cannot be said of the following 1000 Guineas Trial which could have a bearing on the picture for the Newmarket Classic. Cont. p6
Irish Classic Trials Cont.

Again it is Ballydoyle who feature prominently with the G3 Silver Flash S. winner and G1 Prix Marcel Boussac third Never Ending Story (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). Bearing in mind the improvement her dam Athena (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) found from two to three, it could be that she is still some way off a peak and it would be no surprise if she can make a leap as the 2005 winner Virginia Waters (Kingmambo) did from here to Newmarket.

The stable also has the 10-length Naas maiden winner Dame Kiri (Justify), while opposition to Ballydoyle includes Martin Schwartz’s highly-regarded Roscommon auction series race scorer Impact Warrior (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}) and John Oxley’s Naas maiden winner Madly Truly (Ire) (Cracksman {GB}) from the always-to-be-respected Paddy Twomey and Joseph O’Brien stables, respectively.

BOLD ACT STAYS HOME BUT KENTUCKY DERBY POSSIBLE FOR BRAVE EMPEROR

By Emma Berry

Bold Act (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) extended his winning streak to four to land Chelmsford City’s Woodford Reserve Cardinal Conditions S. under talented young apprentice Harry Davies.

While the Godolphin colt earned 30 points in this final leg of the European Road to the Kentucky Derby, his trainer Charlie Appleby confirmed to TDN that Bold Act will not be aimed at the American Classic on May 6, heading instead towards a Derby trial at home.

“We’re delighted he’s won but in all honesty he’s not a horse we’ve had on the radar for the Kentucky Derby,” he said. “It’s a great race, and for the points initiative, it’s fantastic, but for ourselves it wasn’t something we were looking at moving on to.

Appleby added, “He’s a nice horse and we’ll look to step him up in trip and look at the Feilden or the Dante for him. Full marks to Chelmsford for being able to produce a race like that to provide a springboard to go on to the Kentucky Derby.”

Kentucky could still be on the cards for runner-up Brave Emperor (Ire) (Sioux Nation), however. The Archie Watson-trained gelding already had 20 qualifying points to his name following his win in the ‘Road to the Kentucky Derby’ Conditions S. at Kempton last month and he is now on 32, having been beaten just half a length by Bold Act.

Tom Palin of the Middleham Park Racing syndicate which owns the five-time winner confirmed after the race, “We are strongly considering the Kentucky Derby.”

He continued, “He’s a dude of a horse and he ran his heart out once again. I think if he’d had a dream passage up the inside he’d probably have got the job done again tonight. We’ll have a good chat on Monday with the team. It’s their decision if they want to spend the prize-money to go across [to America], but I see no reason not to have a grown-up conversation about it.”

On Friday, Archie Watson said of a potential Kentucky Derby bid for Brave Emperor, “How many times do you get the opportunity to have a runner in a race like that? Personally, I feel he would probably suit the Preakness more, but he’s done nothing wrong. On pedigree you’d probably say that it would be worth giving the dirt a try, and also on the way he runs, because he does tend to grind it out. That style of running should suit the dirt, but I guess there are a lot of unknowns, like going up two furlongs for the Derby.

“He’s as tough as nails and we definitely haven’t got to the bottom of him. He responds well and is tough in a battle.”

MURPHY SIGNS FOR SCOTLAND, OSBORNE RETURNS FOR WALES AND THE WEST

A total of 108 jockeys signed up for the 2023 Racing League draft with last year’s leading rider Saffie Osborne, Oisin Murphy, and Sean Levey among the first-choice picks. Each team will have the option of using a wild card pick at any time during the competition, allowing them to add an eighth jockey to their squad of seven.

The teams and their respective jockeys are as follows: Cont. p7
Racing League Draft, Cont.

Ireland--Kevin Blake
- Daniel Muscutt
- Billy Loughnane
- Ben Curtis
- Joanna Mason
- Dylan Browne McMonagle
- Gavin Ryan
- Adam Farragher

London & The South--Matt Chapman
- Sean Levey
- Marco Ghiani
- Rossa Ryan
- Kieran Shoemark
- Jason Watson
- Nicola Currie
- Charlie Bishop

Scotland--Linda Perratt
- Oisin Murphy
- Paul Mulrennan
- Hayley Turner
- David Probert
- Pat Cosgrave
- Rowan Scott
- Andrew Mullen

The East--Frankie Dettori
- Frankie Dettori
- Callum Shepherd
- Jack Mitchell
- Luke Morris
- Ray Dawson
- Laura Pearson
- Kaiya Fraser

The North--Mick Quinn
- Connor Beasley
- Cam Hardie
- Oisin Orr
- Frederick Larson
- Harrison Shaw
- Paula Muir
- Pierre-Louis Jamin

Wales & The West--Jamie Osborne
- Saffie Osborne
- David Egan
- Adam Kirby
- Ross Coakley
- Trevor Whelan
- Tom Queally
- Rhys Clutterbuck

Yorkshire--Leonna Mayor
- David Allan
- Clifford Lee
- PJ McDonald
- Tom Eaves
- Jonny Peate
- Ali Rawlinson
- Josephine Gordon

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BHA CHIEF EXECUTIVE JULIE HARRINGTON ISSUES STATEMENT FOLLOWING TRAGIC WEEK

Following a difficult week for racing which saw four pass away--including Jess Whalley, who collapsed and died on scene at Michael Owen’s Manor House Stable Tuesday morning, BHA’s Chief Executive Julie Harrington issued the following statement on Saturday:

“This has been a tragic week for all of us in the racing community.

“Jess Whalley was a shining example of what makes British racing so special. She dedicated herself to providing outstanding care to horses and it was while doing this that her life was suddenly and tragically cut short. On behalf of all of us at the BHA, I extend my sympathies to all who knew and loved Jess.

“Likewise we offer our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Mazar Allauddin following his death on Wednesday. A superb horseman who also exemplified the values of British racing, Mazar had quickly established himself as a key part of the Robert Cowell team and his loss will be keenly felt.

“Both of these incidents are unspeakably tragic and there are no words to adequately describe the grief of losing a friend, colleague and loved one in such circumstances. The BHA along with colleagues at Racing Welfare, NARS and the IJF, have been working to provide support for staff affected by what took place at each yard.”
Julie Harrington Statement, Cont.

The statement continued, “We also mourn the recent passing of John Spearing, who died peacefully at the age of 82 and Dave Morris, who left us following a long illness, aged 74. Our thoughts are with John and Dave’s families and friends at this sad time.”

Jockeys at all British tracks will wear black armbands this weekend in tribute to Jess, Mazar, John and Dave.

OBSERVATIONS
on the European racing scene

MARSHA’S FIRST FOAL DEBUTS AT LEOPARDSTOWN

2.00 Leopardstown, Mdn, €12,000, 3yo, f, 8fT
TENDER KISS (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) is the first foal out of the outstanding sprinter Marsha (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), who not only garnered the G1 Prix de l’Abbaye and G1 Nunthorpe S. but also set a record when selling to M V Magnier for 6 million gns at the 2017 Tatts December Sale. Aidan O’Brien pitches the January-foaled bay, who sports the Westerberg silks, into tough company on debut with Ryan Moore opting for the stable’s experienced Warm Heart (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), the daughter of the triple Group 1 winner Sea Siren (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}).

2.45 Doncaster, Novice, £8,000, 3yo, f, 7f 6yT
THEORYOFEVERYTHING (GB) (Frankel {GB}) debuts for Prince Faisal and the Gosdons, with the February-foaled grey being a son of the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. heroine Persuasive (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Purchased for 325,000gns at the 2021 Book 1 Sale, he has 14 rivals to deal with in this contest which was split into two divisions 12 months ago and saw the high-class Maljoom (Ire) (Caravaggio) prevail on his debut.

HOW THEY FARED

4.45 Doncaster, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, 10f 43yT
Astrodome (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), the 1.2million gns son of the G3 Musidora S. winner and G1 Prix de l’Opera third So Mi Dar (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), was a drifter in the betting beforehand and predictably failed to handle the deep ground but still managed to grab third with a game effort.

BRITAIN

Saturday’s Results:

UNIBET MORE EXTRA PLACE RACES MAGNOLIA S.-Listed, £50,000, Kempton, 4-1, 4yo/up, 9f 219y (AWT), 2:04.69, st/sl.
1--FOXES TALES (IRE), 129, g, 5, Zoffany (Ire)–Starfish (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). (400,000gns Ylg ’19 TATOCT). O-King Power Racing Co Ltd; B-Manister House Stud (IRE); T-Andrew Balding; J-Oisin Murphy. £28,355. Lifetime Record: GSW-Eng, 15-4-4-1, $246,373. *1/2 to La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}), MG1SW-Ire, $471,724; 1/2 to Fox Chairman (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), SW & MGSP-Eng; Full to Astadash (Ire), GSW-Ire, SP-Eng.
2--Rogue Millennium (IRE), 124, f, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Hawaafez (GB), by Nayef. (35,000gns 2yo ’21 TATMA). O-The Rorges Gallery; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited (IRE); T-Tom Clover. £10,750.
3--Phantom Flight (GB), 129, c, 4, Siyouni (Fr)–Quashchi (GB), by Encosta De Lago (Aus). 1ST BLACK TYPE. (100,000gns RNA Ylg ’20 TATOCT; 100,000gns Ylg 2yo ’21 TATBRE). O-John and Jess Dance; B-St Albans Bloodstock LLP (GB); T-James Horton. £5,380.
Margins: 3, HF, HF. Odds: 2.50, 33.00, 3.50.
Also Ran: Secret State (Ire), Savvy Victory (Ire), Belloccio (Fr), Tyrrenhenian Sea (Ire).

Smart at three, Foxes Tales recorded successes in Royal Ascot’s Golden Gates H. and Haydock’s G3 Rose of Lancaster S. but went into the doldrums after a return second to Mostahdaf (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) in Sandown’s G3 Gordon Richards S. last April. Third behind Lord North (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in Lingfield’s G3 Winter Derby last month on his first outing since a gelding op, the bay took a step forward here to land this competitive affair in comprehensive fashion. Held up after a smart break, he moved forward to take control approaching the final furlong and drew away to record a highly respectable time.

Andrew Balding is convinced that the winner can kick on again now. “He is definitely more focused for being gelded and he is back to the level of form he was showing as a 3-year-old,” he said. “I think we will probably go to Chester now for the [May 12 G2] Huxley S. as his next target.”

The unraced dam, who also has a yearling filly by Kingman (GB), has produced a total of five black-type winners including the G1 Matron S. and G1 Phoenix S. heroine La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}) and Foxes Tales’s G3 Denny Cordell Lavarack Memorial S.-winning full-sister Astadash (Ire). Kin to the G3 Chester Vase runner-up Icon Dream (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells) and to the dam of the Listed Junioren-Preis winner and G3 Zukunftsf-Rennen runner-up I’ll Have Another (Ire) (Dragon Pulse {Ire}), her family includes Oasis Dream (GB) and Kingman himself. VIDEO.
PERTEMPS NETWORK DONCASTER MILE-Listed, £45,000, Doncaster, 4-1, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:47.86, hy.
1--**Brunch (GB)**, 128, g, 6, Harbour Watch (Ire)--Granola (GB), by Makfi (GB). (4,000gns RNA Ylg ‘18 TAOCR). O-Mrs F Denniff; B-Denniff Farms Ltd (GB); T-Michael Dods. £9,675.
2--**Astral Beau (GB)**, 123, m, 5, Brazen Beau (Aus)--Asteroidea (GB), by Sea The Stars (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.

1--**Vadream (GB)**, 131, m, 5, Brazen Beau (Aus)--Her Honour (Ire), by Shamardal.

2--**Fast Response (Ire)**, 134, f, 4, Fast Company (Ire)--Deemah (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). (£7,000 Ylg ‘20 TATIRY; 13,000gns 2yo ‘21 TATBRG). O-Nick Bradley Racing 39; B-Deemah Syndicate (IRE); T-Karl Burke. £9,675.

3--**Ehraz (GB)**, 136, g, 4, Showcasing (GB)--Exrating (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus).

Also Ran: Asjad (GB), Tactical (GB), Wilderness Girl (Ire), Commanche Falls (GB), King’s Lynn (GB), Jump The Gun (Ire), El Caballo (GB), Scratched: Spirit Of Light (Ire), Temple Bruer (GB).

Highly effective when the ground rides slow, Vadream had at least five pieces of form which made her starting price seem inflated and the 2021 G3 Bengough S. winner duly made a mockery of the odds and the competitive nature of this contest. Also beaten no more than four lengths when fifth and sixth in the last two editions of the G1 British Champions Sprint S., the bay who was razor-sharp from a winter all-weather campaign had also managed a second in the G3 Summer S. and third placings in the G3 Jersey S., G3 Free Fred Darling S. and G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise over the past two terms. Always happy placed placings in the G3 Jersey S., G3 Free Fred Darling S. and G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise over the past two terms. Always happy placed placings in the G3 Jersey S., G3 Free Fred Darling S. and G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise.

While some gravitas was lost as the unbeaten likely favourite Poker Face (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) was withdrawn due to the testing ground, Astral Beau stepped up to fill the void and carry the colours of her celebrated second dam Speciosa (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) to an impressive first black-type success.

Having captured a trio of seven-furlong handicaps on both Newmarket tracks last term, the homebred reappeared full of enthusiasm for her stiffest task to date tanking in the hands of Rob Hornby throughout the early stages. Moving forward with ease to take command passing the two-furlong marker, the imposing bay was soon beyond reach and generous to the line to suggest she can step up in class.

Providing her sire with an afternoon black-type double at Doncaster, the winner is a granddaughter of the aforementioned G1 1000 Guineas and G2 Rockfel S. heroine Speciosa who is in turn kin to the Gill Stars and Stripes Breeders’ Cup Turf H. winner Major Rhythm (Rhythm). Also connected to the G1 Champion S. and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud heroine Pride (Fr) (Peintre Celebre), the dam has an as-yet unraced 3-year-old filly by Charm Spirit (Ire) named Astral Spirit (GB).

**VIDEO.**

4th-Doncaster, £150,000, Hcp, 4-1, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:47.86, hy.

**Migration (Ire)** (g, 7, Alhebayeb {Ire}--Caribbean Ace {Ire}, by Red Clubs {Ire}), giving weight to all in this prestigious Lincoln Handicap, had earned his mark with some strong efforts in this type of company in the past but seemed up against it having his first start since finishing a well-beaten fourth in Newmarket’s Listed James Seymour S. in October. Held up in rear early by Benoit De La Sayette, the 18-1 shot crept into contention during the sapping final two furlongs and after getting to the front inside the last 100 yards outstayed Awaal (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) to score by 1 1/4 lengths. “He’s always been a great horse and has had his issues,” trainer David Menuisier commented. “I felt today we had him spot-on and he loved the ground. I said to Benoit you have to wait, wait and when you think it’s time to go wait some more.” The unraced dam, whose 2-year-old filly Tropical Shot (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) was a €40,000 purchase by Manor House Farm at the Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale. **Cont. p10**
4th-Doncaster Cont.
She is kin to the Listed Hilary Needler Trophy winner Knavesmire (Ire) (One Cool Cat) and to the dam of last year’s G2 Lowther S. scorer Swingalong (Ire) (Showcasing [GB]). Sales history: €60,000 Wlg ’16 GOFNOV; 72,000gns Ylg ’17 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 18-5-4-0, $260,319. O-Gail Brown Racing (IX); B-Ms C Peddie (IRE); T-David Menuiser.

4th-Chelmsford City, £100,000, Novice, 4-1, 3yo, 8f (AWT), 1:37.23, st.
BOLD ACT (IRE) (c, 3, New Approach {Ire}--Dancing Sands {Ire} (SW-Ger, GSP-Ity, GSP-Fr, GSP-Tur, $128,976), by Dubawi {Ire}), last seen winning a mile Newmarket nursery in September, was held up in rear in this Woodford Reserve Cardinal Conditions S. Sneaking up the inner soon after turning for home, the 10-3 second favourite was narrowly ahead passing the furlong pole and hit the line with half a length to spare over Brave Emperor (Ire) (Sioux Nation). The dam, who was third in the G3 Prix Impudence and G2 Premio Ribot, hails from the family of the champion Bakharoff, fellow sire Emperor Jones and the G2 Prix des Diana and G2 German 1000 Guineas heroine Que Belle (Seattle Dancer). Lifetime Record: 5-4-1-0, $89,630. O/B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby.

1st-Doncaster, £35,000, Novice, 4-1, 2yo, 5f 3yT, 1:05.90, hy.
DODDIE’S IMPACT (GB) (c, 2, Pearl Secret {GB}--Rock Cake {Ire}, by Fastnet Rock {Aus}), a 10-1 shot for the Brocklesby S. which is the traditional opener to the British Flat Turf season, raced near the fore towards the centre of the track early. Looking held by Valadero (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) in the closing stages, the bay found a late surge to overwhelm that rival as the post neared and prevail by a neck. The unraced dam, who hails from the family of the G3 John Porter S.-winning sire Rakaposhi King (GB), also has a yearling filly by Tasleet (GB). Sales history: £6,000 Ylg ‘22 GOFOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $22,244. O-Cross Channel Racing and Partner; B-Ciaran & Nicola Paterson (GB); T-Robyn Brisland.

1st-Kempton, £7,500, Novice, 4-1, 3yo, 9f 219y (AWT), 2:07.68, st/sl.
RADETSKY MARSH (FR) (c, 3, Seahenge--Baileys Applause {GB}, by Royal Applause {GB}), last seen finishing runner-up in testing ground over a mile at Ayr in October, soon led. Seemingly beaten when tackled and headed by My Lion (GB) (Roaring Lion) a furlong out, the 16-1 shot regained momentum to regain the advantage close home and score by a head. “He has had a good winter and has strengthened up and that has made all the difference,” Primavera’s Stephan Barrow said. “This is a very lucky ownership, as we had Bradsell before selling him on. (Bloodstock agent) Tom Biggs and Archie [Watson] bought both horses at different breeze-up sales, so plenty of credit has to go to them.” The winner is a half-brother to the smart Mamba Noire (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) who was placed in three pattern races at two including the G2 Lowther S. and G2 Duchess of Cambridge S. From the family of the G2 Flying Childers S. - winning first-season sire Soldier’s Call (GB) (Showcasing [GB]), the dam’s 2-year-old full-brother to the winner is named Orbord (Fr). Sales history: €47,000 Ylg ’21 ARQDOY; €95,000 2yo ’22 ARQMay. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, $8,668. O-Primavera; B-Pierre Jabot (FR); T-Archie Watson.

HANDICAP RESULT:
2nd-Doncaster, £75,000, 4-1, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:48.60, hy.
HARSWELL DUKE (IRE) (g, 5, Garswood {GB}--Grafitti {GB} (MSW-Swe, MSP-Nor, $233,444), by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-3, $79,308. O-Harswell Thoroughbred Racing; B-Patrick Gleeson (IRE); T-Roger Fell. *£5,000 Ylg ’19 GOFFPR.

MAIDEN WINNERS:
Maxi King (Ire), c, 3, Belardo (Ire)–Pardovven (Ire), by Clodivil (Ire). Doncaster, 4-1, 10f 43yT, 2:23.47. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-2, $11,970. B-Ringfort Stud (IRE). *$280,000gns Wlg ’20 TATFOA; €50,000 Ylg ’21 GOFOR. **1/2 to Minzaal (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), G1SW-Eng, G1SP-Fr, $580,785.
Grenham Bay (Ire), g, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)–Dawn Of Empire, by Empire Maker. Kempton, 4-1, 6f (AWT), 1:12.75. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $5,000. B-Ms Morna McDowall (IRE). *£22,244. 21 GOFNOV; 72,000gns Ylg 19 GOFPR.

FRANCE

Saturday’s Results:
1st-Saint-Cloud, €35,000, Cond, 4-1, 3yo, 10 1/2fT, 2:19.89, sf.
ELUSIVE PRINCESS (FR) (f, 3, Martinborough {Jpn}–Elusive Action {Fr}, by Elusive City), who was last seen winning over nine furlongs at ParisLongchamp in October, waited in rear early. Making smooth progress wide in early straight, the 13-2 shot overhauled Don Diego De Vega (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) passing the two-furlong pole before asserting for an authoritative 1 1/4-length success. The winner is so far the only foal out of the unraced dam, who hails from the Aga Khan family of the sire Diamond Green (Fr) (Green Desert). Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, €46,200. Video, sponsored by TVG.
O-Ecurie Victoria Dreams; B/T-Jean-Philippe Dubois (FR).
4th-Saint-Cloud, 27,000, Mdn, 4-1, 3yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:45.30, sf.
ELAMAZ (IRE) (c, 3, Gleneagles {Ire}–Emiyna {GSW-Ire}, by Maria’s Mon), runner-up over this trip at Chantilly a month previously, enjoyed a perfect stalking trip on the rail throughout the early stages. In front passing the 300-metre marker, the 5-2 favourite stayed on to beat Society Man (Fr) (Cracksman {GB}) by 2 1/2 lengths. The dam, who took the G3 Athasi S., is also responsible for the G3 Denny Cordell Lavarack Memorial S. runner-up Emaniya (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and the Listed Tetrarch S.-placed Embiran (Ire) (Shamardal). This is the family of the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Ebadiyla (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells) and the G1 Gold Cup-winning half-siblings Estimate (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) and Enzeli (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}). Emiyna’s 2-year-old filly is by Showcasing (GB). Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, 24,300. Video, sponsored by TVG.

5th-Saint-Cloud, 27,000, Mdn, 4-1, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:43.96, sf.
OTTERY (GB) (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}–Longina {Ger} {GSW & G1SP-Ger, GSP-Ity, $171,533}, by Monsun {Ger}), third on her sole start over 7 1/2 furlongs on Chantilly=s Polytrack in November, was free and fresh early anchored behind the leading trio. In front 300 metres from the finish, the 6-1 second favourite had plenty in reserve to register a 1 3/4-length verdict over Kamiyah (Ire) (Frankel {GB}). The dam, who captured the G2 Diana-Trial and was placed in five other pattern races including a third in the G1 Preis der Diana, is a daughter of the G3 Preis der Winterkonigin winner Love Academy (Ger) (Medicean {GB}) from the family of the GI Sky Classic hero and GI United Nations S. runner-up Lauro (Ger) by Longina’s sire Monsun and the G1 Deutsches Derby-trio landing (Ger), Laroche (Ger) and Laccario (Ger) (Scalo {GB}). Her 2-year-old filly by Too Darn Hot (GB) is named Letsroll (Ire). Sales history: 800,000gns Ylg ‘21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €17,550. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Juddmonte; B-Al Shahania Stud (GB); T-Andre Fabre.

IN AUSTRALIA:
Surefire (GB), g, 5, Fastnet Rock (Aus)–Modesta (Ire) (SW-Eng), by Sadler’s Wells. Randwick, 4-1, 4yo/up, 1600mT, 1:33.20, fm.
1--INDUSTRIA (JPN), 123, c, 4, Leontes (Jpn)
1st Dam: Inductee (Jpn), by Heart’s Cry (Jpn)
2nd Dam: Hall of Fame (Jpn), by Allez Milord
3rd Dam: Velvet Sash (Jpn), by Dictus
1ST GROUP WIN. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Keisuke Miyata; J-Keita Tosaki; ¥106,806,000. *1/2 to Cadence Call (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)), MGSW & G1SP-Jpn, $2,032,604. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Justin Café (Jpn), 128, h, 5, Epiphaneia (Jpn)–Casino Boogie (Jpn), by Workforce (GB). O-Masahiro Miki; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥16,160,000.
3--Sonnig (Jpn), 123, h, 5, Lovely Day (Jpn)–Endless Knot (Jpn), by Deep Impact (Jpn). 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Makoto Kaneko Holdings; B-Bando Farm (Jpn); ¥10,080,000. Margins: 3/4, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 3:1, 2.60, 8.50. Also Ran: Matenro Orion (Jpn), Win Greatest (Jpn), Mikki Brillante (Jpn), Red Mon Reve (Jpn), Miss New York (Jpn), Time To Heaven (Jpn), Another Lyric (Jpn), Le Plus Fort (Jpn), Falconia (Jpn), Scar Face (Jpn), Belenus (Jpn), Solo Phrase (Jpn), Taurus Gemini (Jpn). Click for the JRA chart & video.
Saturday, Turffontein, South Africa
WORLD SPORTS BETTING SA DERBY-G1, R1,500,000, Turffontein, 4-1, 3yo, 2450mT, 2:37.40, gd.
1--SON OF RAJ (SAF), 132, g, 3, by Duke Of Marmalade (Ire)
   1st Dam: Freudiana (SAf), by Black Minnaloushe
   2nd Dam: Rippling Star (SAf), by Fort Wood
   3rd Dam: Studio Star (Fr), by Elliodor (Fr)
   1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GRADED WIN. 1ST GRADE 1 WIN.
   O/B-Steven Chetty (SAF); T-Weiho Marwing; J-K de Melo.
   R937,500. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 4 wins, 2 places,
   R1,169,750. *Full to Arumugam (SAf) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}), MSW & GSP-SAf).
   Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.
   Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--Billy Bowlegs (SAf), 132, c, 3, The United States (Ire)--Yourethetops (SAf), by Captain Al (SAf).
   O-Laura de Haast, Messrs S Govender, K Nagendran & International Racing Club;
   B-Wicklow Stud (SAF); T-Alec Laird. R300,000.
3--Rule By Force (SAf), 132, c, 3, Pomodoro (SAf)--Alliance (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire).
   1ST BLACK TYPE. 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. 1ST GRADE 1 BLACK TYPE.
   O-Messrs D Chinsammy, E Naicker & MGAS Bloodstock; B-Hemel N Aarde Stud (SAF);
   T-Joe Soma. R150,000.
Margins: 2 1/4, 2 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 5.00, 2.00, 10.00.
Also Ran: Future Pearl (SAf), Top Sail (SAf), Good Council (SAf), Eye Of The Prophet (SAf), Electric Gold (SAf),
African Torrent (SAf), River Romeo (SAf), Paris Pike (SAf).
Click for the video.

Saturday, Turffontein, South Africa
HF OPPENHEIMER HORSE CHESTNUT S.-G1, R1,000,000, Turffontein, 4-1, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:37.74, gd.
1--TRIP OF FORTUNE (SAF), 132, g, 4, by Trippi
   1st Dam: Louvre (SAf) (GSW & G1SP-SAf, $120,102),
   by Doowaley (Ire)
   2nd Dam: Prive (SAf), by Saumarez (GB)
   3rd Dam: Manuka (SAf), by Rainbow Dream (Fr)
   1ST GRADE 1 WIN. (R750,000 Ylg ‘20 BSAAUG).
   O/B-Drakenstein Stud (SAF); T-Candice Bass-Robinson; J-A Domeyer. R625,000. Lifetime Record: 16 starts, 8 wins, 4
   Werk Nick Rating:A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.
   Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--Mk’s Pride (SAf), 132, h, 5, Willow Magic (Aus)--Ikimasu (SAf),
   by Admire Main (Jpn). (R120,000 RNA HRA ‘19 BSANOV). O-M K Nkale;
   B-Summerhill Stud (Pty) Ltd (SAF); T-Robbie Sage. R200,000.
3--Anfields Rocket (SAf), 127, g, 3, Coup De Grace--Milla’s Rocket (Ire), by Galileo (Ire).
   O-Hollywood Syndicate; B-Klawervlei Stud (SAF); T-Grant Maroun.
   R100,000.
   Margins: 1 1/4, 1, HF. Odds: 8.50, 40.00, 3.30.
   Also Ran: Under Your Spell (SAf), Bingwa (SAf), Gimme A Shot (SAf),
   Puerto Manzano (Arg), Red Saxon (SAf), Thunderstruck (SAf), Golden Ducat (SAf).
   Scratched: Melech (SAf). 
   Click for the video.

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Sunday, Leopardstown, post time: 14:35

**BALLYLINCH STUD 'RED ROCKS' 2,000 GUINEAS TRIAL S.-G3, €33,000, 3yo, 7f 18yT**

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Sunday, Leopardstown, post time: 15:10

**BALLYLINCH STUD 'PRIORY BELLE' 1,000 GUINEAS TRIAL S.-G3, €33,000, 3yo, f, 7f 18yT**

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Sunday, Leopardstown, post time: 15:45

**P.W. MCGRATH MEMORIAL BALLYSAX S.-G3, €30,000, 3yo, 10fT**

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Stars On Earth, who leaves from stall 11 in the Osaka Hai, winning the Japanese Oaks last May.

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan, post time: 3.40 p.m.

**OSAKA HAI-G1**, ¥384,860,000, 4yo/up, 2000mT

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*All posts displayed in local time.*
I WISH I WIN CROWNED THE TJ KING

by Keely Mckitterick

Known by many as the ‘autumn Everest’ the G1 TJ Smith S. at Royal Randwick is always one of the most exciting races of the year. The 2023 edition proved it was no different, with the great Champion Nature Strip (Nicconi) looking to retain his crown for the fourth time and a host of up-and-coming young guns including last year’s The Everest winner Giga Kick (Scissor Kick).

While the Chris Waller-trained 8-year-old Nature Strip was gallant in defeat to finish fourth after leading for much of the straight, it was the coronation of a new star when the Peter Moody-trained I Wish I Win (NZ) (Savabeel) partnered by Luke Nolen flew from back of the field to out-muscle Giga Kick 0.58l in second, with the fellow high-class sprinter Mazu (Maurice {Jpn}) putting in a typical gusty performance to finish 0.81l away in third.

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By Bradleyphotos.com.au

I woke up around 12 and saw the track was a Heavy 8 and I didn’t want to come to the races. I am very proud of him (I Wish I Win); he is a very good horse.”

Nolen added: “I actually didn’t think he was travelling that well, but at the top of the rise when he lengthened stride, he gave me a super feel, he is a quality horse.”

Pedigree Notes

I Wish I Win became the 29th Group 1 winner for Waikato Stud’s eight-time Champion Sire Savabeel and one of his 132 stakes winners. The horse so famously born with limbs askew, I Wish I Win was bred by Waikato Stud and is raced by the farm’s Mark Chittick with Peter Moody.

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The combination of Moody and Nolen were sharing success in the G1 TJ Smith S. for the third time, with the pair formerly winning two editions with the incomparable Black Caviar (Bel Esprit).

Moody told 7horseracing: “That was special. I laid down at 10.30am this morning with the track a Good 4, I was a very happy man.

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia

TJ SMITH S.-G1, A$3,000,000, ATC, 4-01, Open wfa, 1200mT, 1:11.79, hy.

1-- I WISH I WIN (NZ), 58.5, g, 4, by Savabeel

1st Dam: Make a Wish (NZ), by Pins

2nd Dam: Starcent (NZ), by Centaine

3rd Dam: Star of the Knight (NZ), by Sir Tristram (IRE)

1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-M J Chittick & P G Moody; B-Waikato Stud Ltd, Waikato, (NZ); T-P G Moody; J-L

2--Giga Kick, 56.5, g, 3, Scissor Kick--Rekindled Applause (GB), by Royal Applause (GB). 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. O-Pinecliff Racing (Mgr: J B Munz); B-G S A Bloodstock Pty Ltd (Vic); T-Clayton Douglas; J-Z Purton; A$560,000.

3--Mazu, 58.5, g, 4, Maurice (Jpn)--Chatelaine, by Flying Spur. (A$180,000 Ylg '20 INGFEB). O-Triple Crown Syndications, M De Stoop, D Da Silva, Mrs V B Mossman, M D Garreffa, R G Edge, Ms S P Hopkins, K F May, G B Clark, L Caminiti, Dr F McCourt, A J Prince, Dr M Healy & M L Spilstead; B-Parsons Creek Trading Pty Ltd (NSW); T-P & P Snowden; J-S Clipperton; A$280,000; A$280,000.

Margins: HF, 3/4, 2. Odds: 8.00, 5.50, 6.00.
Also Ran: Nature Strip, Mariamia, Lost and Running (NZ), In Secret, Lofty Strike, Shades of Rose, Rocketing By, Passive Aggressive, Private Eye, Shelby Sixtysix. Click for the Racing Australia chart. VIDEO.

**MR BRIGHTSIDE TAKES BACK-TO-BACK DONCASTERS by Keely Mckitterick**

The Victorian raiders claimed the G1 TJ Smith S. earlier on in the card and they will also be bringing back the G1 Doncaster H. trophy once again, as the Ben and JD-Hayes trained Mr Brightside (NZ) (Bullbars) became the 10th horse to win two editions of the G1 Doncaster H.

Partnered by the Champion Hong Kong-based jockey Zac Purton, ‘Brightside’ won by 0.13l from a game My Oberon (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Nugget (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}) 0.79l away in third. It was the third Doncaster H. victory for the visiting Zac Purton, having partnered Sacred Falls (NZ) to back-to-back ‘Donnys’ in 2013/14.

Co-trainer JD Hayes told 7HorseRacing: “This puts him in rare air. He is a very special horse.”

Ben Hayes added: “It was a 10-out-of-10 ride.”

While winning rider Zac Purton said: “I was praying that the winning post was coming. He didn’t really love the ground, but his class got him through it.”

It will be a Saturday to savour for the Hayes brothers and the Lindsay Park team moments after their pin-up boy Mr Brightside claimed another Doncaster at Royal Randwick, the fellow Kiwi-bred Here To Shock (NZ) (Shocking) claimed his maiden stakes success winning the Listed Bendigo Mile. Partnered by Daniel Stackhouse, the 5-year-old gelding won by 1.25l from Laure Me In (Ad Valorem {USA}) and 0.1l away in third Prince Of Helena (Sidestep).

Here To Shock was a NZ$70,000 yearling purchase by Slade Bloodstock from the draft of Cambridge Stud at the 2019 New Zealand Bloodstock Karaka Yearling Sale. Here To Shock becomes the 21st stakes winner for Shocking.

We have written about the wonderful Mr Brightside (NZ) (Bullbars) on a few occasions now—this oh so tough galloper winning the rich The All-Star Mile last time out and this same Group 1 mile 12 months ago.

Doing a great job with 5kg more this time around, he became the 10th dual Doncaster winner—joining Super Impose (NZ) (Imposing), Sunline (NZ) (Desert Sun {GB}), Sacred Falls (NZ), Pharaoh (NZ) (Sackford {USA}), Tudor Hill (Ottoman {GB}), Slogan II (NZ) (Lucky Bag {GB}), Blue Legend (Waikare {NZ}), Fine And Dandy (Star Kingdom {Ire}) and Mildura in that feat.

It was his ninth win from 13 starts at the 1600 metres and he passed Black Caviar (Bel Esprit) in regards to prizemoney—a very healthy tally that now sits at beyond $8.1 million.

**Pedigree Notes**

Bred by R.I and Est Late M.A.G Johnson and purchased by Phill Cataldo Bloodstock for NZ$22,000 at the 2019 New Zealand Bloodstock Weanling Sale—later passed in with a reserve of NZ$50,000 at the 2019 New Zealand Ready to Run Sale - Mr Brightside is one of the three stakes winners for his Orange Court-based, G3 CS Hayes S.-winning sire.

He is out of the unraced Lilahjay (NZ) (Tavistock (NZ)) who has also produced the Hong Kong-based, eight-time winner Will Power (NZ) (Power {GB}) and this season’s New Zealand winners The Number One Son (NZ) (Power {GB}) and Tickford (NZ) (He’s Remarkable {NZ}).
Not served last spring having foaled a Vadamos (Fr) filly in November, Lilahjay also has a yet to be named 2-year-old filly by What’s The Story (NZ) and a yearling filly by Dari Brahma (NZ). Lilahjay is a granddaughter of the classy broodmare Delia’s Choice (NZ) (Sir Tristram {Ire}) whose six winners include the Group 1 winners Foxwood (NZ) (Centaine) and Celtic Tiger (NZ) (Jetball) - the former going on to produce the G3 Frank Packer Plate winner Rockwood (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}).

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia
DONCASTER H.-G1, A$4,000,000, ATC, 4-01, 3yo/up, Open Handicap, 1600mT, 1:38.76, hy.

1--MR BRIGHTSIDE (NZ), 55.5, g, 5, by Bullbars
   1st Dam: Lilahjay (NZ), by Tavistock (NZ)
   2nd Dam: Keepable (NZ), by Keeper
   3rd Dam: Delia’s Choice (NZ), by Sir Tristram (IRE)
   ($22,000 Ylg ‘19 NZBMay) O-Lindsay Park Bloodstock (Mgr: Miss S Steel), Green Shorts Racing (Mgr: A Visalli), K Paisley, Mrs C Paisley, B Carson, M Andreadis, J Molinaro, Ms A Molinaro, Ms J Evans, D Hollyman, S Horn, R Jarvis, G Kerr, D Lee, R White, D Cavallo, The Fighting Cowboys (Mgr: A Petitiona), D Maung & P Presti; B-R I & Est late M A G Johnson, Waikato, (NZ); T-Ben & Jd Hayes; J-Z Purton; A$2,439,250. Lifetime Record: 23-11-2-2, A$8,242,137. Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

2--My Oberon (Ire), 54.0, g, 6, Dubawi (Ire)--My Titania (Ire), by Sea the Stars (Ire). O-D F Degenhardt, Hirecha Racing (Mgr: B J Quin), M J Saadie, W B Keighran, G P Carmody, Walker Racing & Bloodstock, G Maris, T C Eddy, D P Sinn, C B Elkington, S R L O’Connor, S Greene, N M Wilson, A J Willoughby, P J Prendergast, C D Judd, J Whitford, Werrett Bloodstock Pty Ltd & P D Sidwell; B-Sunderland Holding Inc. (Ire); T-Annabel Neasham; J-John Allan; A$750,000.

3--Nugget (GB), 51.5, g, 6, Siyouni (Fr)--Gemstone (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). (£90,000 Ylg ‘18 GOFFAUG). O-Australian Bloodstock, Carty Racing, Up2oureyeballs, F Meduri, Mrs R Butcher, B J & A K Paterson, D Robertson, G Van Amyden, Coastline Racing, S Roth, J Hunter, A Nugget, S Duke, N Greenhalgh, Mrs M Greenhalgh, T Eddy, Killara Racing P/L, J Simmons, L Caminiti & F Marando; B-Highclere Stud & ORS Bloodstock (GB); T-C Maher & D Eustace; J-A Gibbons; A$375,000. Lifetime Record: 20-9-1-4, A$1,184,000. Werk Nick Rating: B-. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

Margins: SHD, 3/4, HF. Odds: 5.00, 30.00, 20.00.

Pedigree Notes
Major Beel was a $260,000 yearling purchase by Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott with Kestrel Thoroughbreds from the draft of Waikato Stud at the 2021 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale. Major Beel became the 30th Group 1 winner and 133rd stakes winner for the Waikato Stud-based Savabeel.

Major Beel is the first foal for the unraced Gram (NZ) (O’Reilly {NZ}) whose second foal is the yet to race Waikato-owned 2-year-old filly Rose Gold (NZ)--also by Savabeel.

**GOLD LETTER DAY FOR SAVABEEL AND WAIKATO STUD** by Keely Mckitterick

The New Zealand eight-time Champion Sire Savabeel, showed his incredible versatility as a stallion on Saturday at Royal Randwick. The Champion Sire sired the G1 TJ Smith S. winner I Wish I Win (NZ) earlier in the day and hours later sired the winner of the G1 ATC Derby.

It was a historic victory with the 3-year-old gelding Major Beel (NZ) (Savabeel) trained by Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, providing Waterhouse with her first victory in the ATC Derby. Ridden by Tim Clark and showing all the durability and toughness the Waterhouse/Bott trainees are renowned for, Major Beel sustained a staying performance of endurance and wouldn’t be caught, finishing first 0.18l in front of Virtuous Circle (NZ) (Almanzor {Fr}) and 0.85l away in third was Suizuro (Real Impact {Jpn}), while the hot-favourite Sharp ‘N’ Smart (NZ) (Redwood {GB}) finished fourth.

Winning jockey Tim Clark told 7HorseRacing: “He travelled a bit strongly throughout, after coming out of two really fast run races. I was mindful to hold on to him and help him as much as I could, but coming down the hill, he really showed a sharp turn of foot and thankfully had his head in front today.”

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Gram is a daughter of the G2 Karrakatta Plate winner Gold Rocks (Oratorio) whose five winners include three stakes winners - Gold Fever (NZ) (another Savabeel), Gold Rush (NZ) (So You Think (NZ)) and Calaverite (Lonhro)...the latter being the dam of last spring's G1 Caulfield Guineas winner Golden Mile (Asten).

The first Group 1 winner (and seventh stakes winner) line-bred to Success Express (USA), Major Beel is the eighth Savabeel Group 1 winner and 26th stakes winner out of a mare by O'Reilly (NZ) who also spent his long and successful career at Waikato Stud.

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia

AUSTRALIAN DERBY-G1, A$2,000,000, ATC, 4-01, 3yo Open Set Weight, 2400mT, 2:40.37, hy.

1--MAJOR BEEL (NZ), 56.5, g, 3, by Savabeel
   1st Dam: Gram (NZ), by O'Reilly (NZ)
   2nd Dam: Gold Rocks, by Oratorio
   3rd Dam: Alozie, by Luskin Star (AUS)


2--VIRTUOUS CIRCLE (NZ), 56.5, c, 3, by Almanzor (Fr)--She is Stryking, by Stryker. 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. (A$360,000 Ylg '21 INGFEB). O-C W Kwok, Miss E McDonald, Ms D F Howley, F J Howley, Upper Bloodstock, B Smith, Stag's Leap, N A Greenhalgh, Whiskey Racing, Ms D L McDonald & R G Mulcaster; B-Mrs D L McDonald & R G Mulcaster, Waikato, (NZ); T-Liam Howley; J-B Prebble; A$380,000.


Also Ran: Sharp 'n Smart (NZ), High Approach, Elliptical, Andalus (NZ), Stroke of Luck, Pericles, Mark Twain (NZ), Twigman (NZ), Tapildoodledo (NZ), Full of Sincerity (NZ), Cheval Savant, Japanese Emperor (NZ), Williamsburg, Domingo (NZ), Manzoice.

Click for the Racing Australia chart. VIDEO.

DUNDEEL’S GOOD SEASON CONTINUES

by Keely Mckitterick

The 156th running of the G1 Sires’ Produce S. was won in dominant fashion by the Chris Waller-trained Militarize (NZ) (Dundeel (NZ)). Given no chance in the G1 Golden Slipper at Rosehill in March, due to the interference caused by Learning To Fly (Justify (USA)), the handsome colt encountered no such issues on Saturday, with the visiting Champion Jockey Joao Moreira in the saddle, Militarize put 3.54l between him and the fellow China Horse Club colour-bearer Don Corleone (Extreme Choice) and the filly Pier Pressure (Press Statement) a further 1.23l away in third.

Moreira told 7HorseRacing: “This colt (Militarize) just floated across the surface and obviously it is very special to win my fifth Group 1 in Australia.”

Pedigree Notes

The colt becomes the sixth Group 1 winner for Dundeel (NZ) and the 23rd stakes winner for the former Champion racehorse and now Arrowfield-based stallion. Militarize was a $550,000 yearling purchase by China Horse Club, Newgate Bloodstock and Trilogy from Bhima Thoroughbreds at the 2022 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale.

The good day for Dundeel continued when his unbeaten daughter Oceans Of Energy (Dundeel (NZ)) claimed another victory at Doomben on Saturday. The Matthew Dunn-trained 2-year-old held Tricketeer (Better Than Ready) and Ringer’s Reward (Under The Louvre) to win the Gallopers sports club’s 2-year-old H. to make it two from two. Oceans Of Energy was an $80,000 yearling purchase by Matthew Dunn and Neil Jenkinson (FBAA) from Noorilim Park at the 2022 Inglis Premier Yearling Sale.
Militarize is the second foal for the imported placegetter Amerindia (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) whose first foal Non Grata (Pariah) ran third at his Geelong debut for the Ciaron Maher and David Eustace stable just a couple of weeks ago.

Again served by Dundeeel (NZ) last spring, foaling a Snitzel colt in October with her previous son a yet to be named Super Seth being a three-quarter brother to Militarize.

Amerindia's dam is the G1 Prix de l’Opera winner Satwa Queen (Fr) (Muhtathir {GB}), also dam of the Listed winner Important Time (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}) (in turn dam of the G1 Saratoga Derby winner Nations Pride (Ire) by Teofilo {Ire}) and grandam of Yulong's triple Group 1 winner Lucky Vega (Ire).

Militarize boasts crosses of the lovely mares Doubly Sure (GB) (Reliance (Fr)) via her sons Kris (GB) and Diesis (GB) and Lalun (USA) (Djeddah (Fr)) via her sons Bold Reason (USA) and Never Bend (USA).

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia

SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES-G1, A$1,000,000, ATC, 4-01, 2yo Open Set Weight, 1400mT, 1:26.52, hy.

1-- MILITARIZE (NZ), 56.5, c, 2, by Dundeeel (NZ)
   1st Dam: Amerindia (GB), by Dubawi (Ire)
   2nd Dam : Satwa Queen (Fr), by Muhtathir (GB)
   3rd Dam: Tolga (USA), by Irish River (Fr)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (A$550,000 Ylg > 22 MMJAN). O-Newgate Bloodstock, China Horse Club Racing Pty Ltd, Trilogy, Newgate S F, Horse Ventures, Go Bloodstock Australia, Starlight Racing, Grant Bloodstock Pty Ltd, Carpe Diem, Aston Bloodstock, Nick Vass Bloodstock, G1g Colts & Breeding Pty Ltd & Aristia Park Bloodstock Pty Ltd; B-GSA Bloodstock Pty Ltd, (NZ); T-C J Waller; J-J Moreira; A$694,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, A$768,400. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

2-- Don Corleone, 56.5, c, 2, Extreme Choice--Snipzu, by Snippetson. (A$650,000 Wlg ’21 MMMAY). O-Newgate Bloodstock, China Horse Club Racing Pty Ltd, Trilogy, Newgate S F, Horse Ventures, Go Bloodstock Australia, Starlight Racing, Grant Bloodstock Pty Ltd, Carpe Diem, Aston Bloodstock, Nick Vass Bloodstock, G1g Colts & Breeding Pty Ltd & Aristia Park Bloodstock Pty Ltd; B-Gilgai Farm (Vic); T-P & P Snowden; J-J Bowman; A$190,000.

3-- Pier Pressure, 54.5, f, 2, Press Statement--Perissa, by Pierro.

STAPHANOS' FIRST STAKES WINNER, A GROUP 1 SUCCESS by Keely Mckitterick

The G1 Manawatu Sires' Produce S. at Awapuni provided an unexpected result when the local trainer Lisa Latta claimed the Group 1 with her filly Pignan (NZ) (Staphanos {Jpn}).

Pignan won from Aprilia (NZ) (U S Navy Flag {USA}) in second 0.8l away and To Catch A Thief also by U S Navy Flag (USA) in third 0.3l away.

Pedigree Note

The filly was a NZ$15,000 weanling purchase by Adrian Clark Bloodstock from the 2021 New Zealand Bloodstock National Weanling Sale when offered by the Westend Partnership.

The result by Pignan provided her sire Staphanos (Jpn) with his first stakes winner and Group 1 winner. The well-bred son of Deep Impact (Jpn) stands at Novara Park in Waikato, New Zealand.

The first stakes winner for her Novara Park-based sire, a classy son of Deep Impact (Jpn), Pignan was bred by A O Burton and L A Hunt and purchased for just NZ$15,000 by Adrian Clark Bloodstock from the Westend Partnership draft at the 2021 New Zealand Bloodstock National Weanling Sale.

She is the first live foal for the unraced Hirondelle (NZ) (Seyo) who is now in Australia--served last spring by another Deep Impact stallion in Fierce Impact (Jpn).

Hirondelle is out of the three-time winner Huluava (NZ) (Pins) whose nine foals to race are all winners including the dual Listed winner William Wallace (NZ) (Darci Brahma {NZ}).

Huluava is one of the five winners for the placed Alpine (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}) who also produced the stakes winners Hasselhoof (NZ) (Tavistock {NZ}) and Vercors (NZ) (Catbird).
Saturday, Awapuni, New Zealand

MANAWATU SIRES PRODUCE-G1, NZ$350,000, Manawatu RC, 4-01, 2yo Open Set Weight, 1400mT, 1:23.93, Dd.

1--PIGNAN, 55.0, f, 2, by Staphanos (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Hirondelle, by Sepoy (Aus)
   2nd Dam: Huluava, by Pins (Aus)
   3rd Dam: Alpine, by Zabeel (NZ)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.
($15,000 Wlg ’21 NZBMAY). O-Andy Rennie, Christian Cullen, David Monnery; B-A O Burton & Mrs L A Hunt, Bay Of Plenty, (NZ); T-Ms L Latta; J-Joe Doyle; NZ$201,250. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-4, NZ$240,550. Werk Nick Rating: A+++.*Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Aprilia, 55.0, f, 2, U S Navy Flag (USA)--Miss Avalon (Ire), by Fantastic Light (USA).

1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. O-Brown Thoroughbreds Ltd & Jml Bloodstock Ltd (Mgr: L Petagna); B-K J Hickman ONZM, Canterbury, (NZ); T-Andrew Forsman; J-Fred W Kersley; NZ$64,750.

3--To Catch a Thief (Aus), 57.0, g, 2, U S Navy Flag (USA)--Stolen Gem (Aus), by Snitzel (Aus).

1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. ($160,000 Ylg ’22 NZBMAR). O-Ashford Lodge Ltd, Lady Justine Hogan, J N & Mrs K L Murdoch & Est Late Sir Patrick Hogan; B-P & J Hogan Partnership (NSW); T-G Richardson & R Norvall; J-C J Grylls; NZ$31,500.

Margins: 3/4, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 22.50, 33.00, 19.30. Also Ran: Trobriand (Aus), Chantilly Lace, No Rain Ever (Aus), Tulsi (Aus), Riproar, Sako, Great Escape, Lowe Flying, Lantern Way. Click for the Racing New Zealand chart. VIDEO.