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GOODNIGHT OLIVE ROMPS IN SEASONAL RETURN

Eclipse Award winner Goodnight Olive (Ghostzapper) made a successful return to the races in Saturday’s GI Madison S. at Keeneland.

DOPPELGANGER UPSETS THE CARTER

Sent off the longest shot on the board at odds of 17-1, Doppelganger (Into Mischief) upset heavily favored Repo Rocks (Tapiture) in the GI Carter H. at Aqueduct.

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Following a stewards’ inquiry, the connections of Lord Miles (Curlin) celebrate a victory in Saturday’s GI Wood Memorial S. at Aqueduct. | Sarah Andrew
Toyota Blue Grass S. cont.
Pope continued, “From pedigree to the physical to the trainers to the barn crew at each of our farms who raise the horses and break them—they’re all quality people and it’s a quality effort. Hopefully quality continues up the road.”

A notoriously slow-starting horse, Tapit Trice was under a hustling ride early from gate one by Luis Saez Saturday, as connections were dead set on securing as forward a position as possible. Mid-division into the turn as 86-1 chance Clear the Air (Ransom the Moon) dictated terms in advance of Verifying, Tapit Trice was guided into the clear and out of harm’s way some four or five paths off the inside rail, then was asked to improve his position with still better than five furlongs to race. Trapped out four deep nearing the entrance to the second turn, Tapit Trice was asked for yet more run by Saez leaving the three-eighths marker and was busily ridden, but nevertheless began to come into the race and the battle was joined. floated into about the four path by Verifying in upper stretch, the pair raced stride for stride into the final eighth of a mile, neither giving an inch, but Tapit Trice just began to gain the upper hand with about 70 yards to come and proved a deserving winner. Verifying’s jockey Tyler Gaffalione alleged interference inside the final furlong, but stewards ultimately allowed the result to stand.

“He didn't jump well, but then he gained a little momentum,” said trainer Todd Pletcher, winning the Blue Grass for a record fourth time, breaking a tie with Ben Jones, Woody Stephens, LeRoy Jolley and Nick Zito. “It got a little hairy going into the first turn, but when he was able to secure that spot, Luis was able to take him out in the clear down the backside. That was the position we hoped to get into, and once he got into that stride I thought we were in good shape.”
Toyota Blue Grass S. cont.

Added Saez, who was aboard multiple champion Essential Quality (Tapit) in a similarly tight finish in 2021: “We had a tough [post] position, especially with him, because he takes a little while to get going. In the first turn we had an opportunity to put him in the clear. I made a little move early, because the pace was pretty slow, so I could get behind the horse we were supposed to beat. I know we have to beat everybody, but that was the horse [Verifying] to follow, so we were right there, and when he made his move we were right on top of him.”

A debut second over Aqueduct’s one-turn mile Nov. 6, Tapit Trice defeated future GIII Gotham S. runner-up Slip Mahoney (Arrogate) in the slop Dec. 17 and tacked on an eight-length allowance victory at Gulfstream Feb. 4, securing ‘Rising Star’ honors. Clearly last away from the machine in Oldsmar last time, he raced with only a couple of rivals behind down the backstretch on that occasion and it all looked like a lost cause before he exploded through the final quarter mile to best Classic Car Wash (Noble Bird) by a two-length margin few would have thought possible turning for home.

Pedigree Notes:

Tapit Trice is the 31st worldwide Grade I/Group 1 winner for Tapit and is the second top-level scorer out of a daughter of Unbridled’s Song’s son Dunkirk, joining Chilean G1SW Keltoi (Chi). The cross of Tapit over Unbridled’s Song is responsible for two-time champion Unique Bella.

A $5,500 Keeneland November weanling and $10,000 Fasig-Tipton October yearling, Tapit Trice’s dam Danzatrice cost Gainesway $105,000 at the 2014 OBS April Sale, and the filly more than earned her keep, winning three times in stakes company and placing third in the GIII Groupie Doll S., closing her career with better than $312,000 in earnings.
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Closely related to champion 2-year-old filly Jaywalk (Cross Traffic), Danzatrice is the dam of a 2-year-old full-sister to Tapit Trice that Pope purchased for $1.1 million at last year’s Keeneland September sale as well as a yearling full-sister. Unsurprisingly, the mare was covered by Tapit once again last year.

Saturday, Keeneland
TOYOTA BLUE GRASS S.-GI, $998,125, Keeneland, 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:50, ft.
1--TAPIT TRICE, 123, c, 3, by Tapit
   1st Dam: Danzatrice (MSW & GSP, $312,145), by Dunkirk
   2nd Dam: Lady Pewitt, by Orientate
   3rd Dam: Spin Room, by Spinning World
   1ST GRADE I WIN. ($1,300,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP). O-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC and Gainesway Stable (Antony Beck); B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher; J-Luis Saez. $573,500. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, $883,650. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Verifying, 123, c, 3, Justify--Diva Delite, by Repent. ($775,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP). O-Westoberg, Mrs. John Magnier, Jonathan Poulin, Derrick Smith and Michael B. Tabor; B-Hunter Valley & Mountmellick Farm, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. $185,000.

3--Blazing Sevens, 123, c, 3, Good Magic--Trophy Girl, by Warrior’s Reward. ($140,000 Ylg ’21 KEEJAN; $225,000 Ylg ’21 FTSAUG). O-Rodeo Creek Racing, LLC; B-Tracy Farmer (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. $92,500.

Margins: NK, 5 3/4, HF. Odds: 1.64, 2.35, 6.18.
Also Ran: Sun Thunder, Raise Cain, Mendelsohns March, Hayes Strike, Classic Car Wash, Scoobie Quando, Major Blue, Clear the Air. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
Runhappy Santa Anita Derby cont. from p1

Having left a sliver of daylight to his inside while cornering, Practical Move and Vazquez angled back down to the rail in upper stretch, forcing Mandarin Hero to the two path with Skinner keeping that one hemmed in slightly. Mandarin Hero kept grinding away as Practical Move called out for the line, and the former got there just in the time, stopping the clock in 1:48.69. Skinner was another half-length back in third.

San Felipe runner-up and morning line co-second choice Geaux Rocket Ride (Candy Ride [Arg]) was forced to scratch due to a fever.

“I made the move a little early because I saw [Hector] Berrios [on pacesetter One In Vermillion [Army Mule]] look at me from the inside. I knew he wanted to put me inside a little bit tight, so I just moved my horse to the outside take a new position, made him relax a little bit and when I asked him the last quarter he responded really well. The other horse (Mandarin Hero) is a nice horse too and ran really well. I’m feeling amazing. When you ride a good horse like that, that’s your dream always to go to the Kentucky Derby.”

While conditioner Tim Yakteen has seen a number of flashy colts enter his barn due to trainer Bob Baffert’s current Kentucky Derby ban, Practical Move has been his from the start. The $230,000 OBSAPR acquisition was a well-beaten second by brilliant Baffert trainee and future MGISW Cave Rock (Arrogate) in a Del Mar sprint last August that also produced recent ‘TDN Rising Star’ Ultimate Gamble (Medaglia d’Oro). He was third to future stablemate National Treasure (Quality Road) next out at the end of that meet, graduated via DQ over a local mile Oct. 10, and was third in Del Mar’s seven-furlong Gill Bob Hope S. Nov. 20 before putting it all together at Los Al.

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Runhappy Santa Anita Derby cont.

Yakteen won last year’s Santa Anita Derby with Taiba (Gun Runner), who was transferred back to Baffert after finishing 12th in the Kentucky Derby.

“It’s a great feeling to go back-to-back in this race,” said Yakteen. “The rush you get--that’s why you get in the game! You’re calling wire when you’re on the lead, and you’re looking for more when you’re closing ground.”

With the victory, Practical Move now owns 160 Kentucky Derby qualifying points and is second in the standings.

“We were a little worried that he didn’t get through early enough, but he finally made it through,” Practical Move’s co-owner Jean-Pierre Amestoy, Jr. said. “He opened up a little bit, but those are good horses. They came up to him in the end but he was tough enough. Got his head in front and won the race. I think we are confident. I think we will catch the distance and he’s proven he’s a fighter, he’s a winner, so we’re going to go to Kentucky with our heads high and hope to bring the trophy back to this side of the country.”

As for the runner-up, trainer Terunobu Fujita said, “We’re going to the Kentucky Derby! I’m so proud of him. I thought he would not handle the early pace, but he did. I believed he would have a good acceleration in the final stretch as usual. And he did it. [Jockey] Kazushi Kimura gave a really good ride. He made him accelerate at the final stretch. I thought he was going to win. I’m just so excited right now.” Chart p8

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Saturday, Santa Anita

RUNHAPPY SANTA ANITA DERBY-GI, $751,500, Santa Anita, 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:48.69, ft.

1--PRACTICAL MOVE, 124, c, 3, by Practical Joke

1st Dam: Ack Naughty (MSP, $310,450), by Afleet Alex
2nd Dam: Dash for Money, by General Meeting
3rd Dam: Hot Lear, by Lear Fan

1ST GRADE I WIN. ($90,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; $230,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-Leslie A. & Pierre Jean Amestoy, Jr. and Roger K. Beasley; B-Chad Brown & Head of Plains Partners (KY); T-Tim Yakteen; J-Ramon A. Vazquez. $450,000. Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-2, $884,200. Werk Nick Rating: A.

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2--Mandarin Hero (Jpn), 124, c, 3, Shanghai Bobby--Namura Nadeshiko (Jpn), by Fuji Kiseki (Jpn). 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE, 1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. ($11,000,000 Ylg '21 HOKSUM). O-Hiroaki Arai; B-Hirano Bokujo (JPN); T-Terunobu Fujita. $150,000.

3--Skinner, 124, c, 3, Curlin--Winding Way, by Malibu Moon. ($40,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; $510,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-C R K Stable LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-John A. Shirreffs. $90,000.

Margins: NO, HF, 2 1/4. Odds: 1.00, 8.10, 3.60.

Also Ran: National Treasure, One in Vermillion, I Don't Get It, Dazzlemesilver, Low Expectations. Scratched: Geaux Rocket Ride. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Pedigree Notes:

Practical Move, a :10 1/5 OBSAPR breezer, is one of four Northern Hemisphere graded winners for his sire (13 overall). Practical Joke had a solid OBS March sale, led by a $925,000 colt. Practical Move is one of nine worldwide graded/group winners out of a mare by GI Preakness S. and GI Belmont S. hero Afleet Alex. Also among that group is 2019 Belmont winner Sir Winston.

Dam Ack Naughty was just a $20,000 SARAUG RNA, but racked up more than $310,000 in New York turf events for Sol Kumin and partners and trainer Chad Brown, who had Practical Joke in the barn at the same time.
MOVING ON UP

PRACTICAL JOKE 3-year-olds secured their spots at Churchill Downs for the first weekend of May with coast-to-coast performances on Saturday:

New G1 winner

PRACTICAL MOVE validated himself to be one of the top contenders in this year’s Kentucky Derby with a game win in the $750,000 Santa Anita Derby-Gr.1, his third Graded stakes win in a row.

Congratulations to owners Leslie A. Amestoy, Pierre Jean Amestoy Jr., and Roger K. Beasley, breeder Chad Brown & Head of Plains Partners, and trainer Tim Yakteen.

SHIDABHUTI also earned her spot in the Kentucky Oaks starting gate in Aqueduct’s $250,000 Gazelle S.-Gr.3, bringing her total points to 80.

Good luck to owner Peter M. Brant, breeder Gabriel Duignan & Gerry Dilger, and trainer Chad C. Brown.

PRACTICAL JOKE

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Runhappy Santa Anita Derby cont.
Ack Naughty produced a Complexity colt in 2022 before selling to Chester and Mary Broman for $500,000 at this year’s Keeneland January sale. The Upstart foal she was carrying at the time was unfortunately stillborn. Ack Naughty hails from the family of champion older horse Vino Rosso.

CURLIN COLT SHOCKS AT 59-1 IN WOOD MEMORIAL

Lord Miles (Curlin) outfought the top two choices on the board to spring a massive upset in a roughly run renewal of Saturday’s GII Wood Memorial S. at the Big A.

Disregarded at 59-1 following a sixth-place finish in the GIII Holy Bull S. Feb. 4 and a fifth-place finish in the GIII Tampa Bay Derby Mar. 11, the Peter Vegso homebred was hustled early by Paco Lopez and raced in second rounding the clubhouse turn. Ridden along in an outside fourth down the backstretch, Lord Miles began to rally while four wide on the far turn as the New York-bred Arctic Arrogance (Frosted) and the Todd Pletcher-trained maiden Dreamlike (Gun Runner) started to throw down approaching the quarter pole.

Four across the track down the stretch, Arctic Arrogance was the first to blink on the inside. Dreamlike narrowly hit the front as favored Hit Show (Candy Ride {Arg}), a dominant winner of Aqueduct’s GIII Withers S., and Lord Miles continued to rally in tandem. Racing shoulder to shoulder with Hit Show, Lord Miles was going the best of all in deep stretch, and, after the trio played a bit of bumper cars close to home, Lord Miles surged late while widest of all to get there by a nose in a wild, three-horse photo finish. Hit Show was second. It was another head back to Dreamlike in third. The result stood following a stewards' inquiry. Cont. p10
Wood Memorial cont.

"I knew they got in tight," winning trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. said. "Watching the head on, I thought we were good, but you’re dealing with opinion. You never want to be in that position, but I accepted that if something happened at least we would be second. But I didn’t think there should be a change."

Lopez added, "[Dreamlike] came out and [Manny] Franco [aboard Hit Show] was looking for room and so he bumped into my horse. My horse stayed in line all the time and stayed fighting for the line. It was a tight race. He gave me a beautiful run today."

Lord Miles was a sharp debut winner going six furlongs at Gulfstream Park Nov. 19, then was a rallying third in the Mucho Macho Man S. Jan. 1 prior to his pair of aforementioned graded stakes attempts in the Sunshine State. Lord Miles earned 100 points on the road to the GI Kentucky Derby in the Wood.

"He ran huge [today]," Joseph said. "After his first start, I was dreaming Derby. The Mucho Macho Man was good, but from there everything was derailed. The Holy Bull went wrong, the Tampa Bay Derby was a step in the right direction, but we were probably running out of time. Today, here we are, one more time and it worked out."

Pedigree Notes:
Lord Miles becomes the 52nd graded winner for leading sire Curlin. The two-time Horse of the Year sired back-to-back winners of this race in 2017 with Irish War Cry and in 2018 with Vino Rosso.

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Wood Memorial cont.

Out of the unraced Majestic Warrior Vegso homebred Lady Esme, Lord Miles is bred on the same wildly successful Curlin x A.P. Indy cross as top-level winners Malathaat, Nest, Global Campaign, Stellar Wind, Clairiere, Paris Lights and Idol. Lady Esme, from the immediate female family of champion 2-year-old filly and Vegso-bred Caledonia Road (Quality Road), is also responsible for the 2-year-old filly Lazar’s (Twirling Candy) ($170,000 KEESEP yearling purchase by Solis/Litt) and a yearling filly by Connect. She was bred to Quality Road for 2023. Lord Miles is her first foal.

Saturday, Aqueduct

WOOD MEMORIAL S. PRESENTED BY RESORTS WORLD CASINO-GII, $750,000, Aqueduct, 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51.17, ft.

1--LORD MILES, 123, c, 3, by Curlin
   1st Dam: Lady Esme, by Majestic Warrior
   2nd Dam: Come a Callin, by Dixie Union
   3rd Dam: Twilight Service, by Horse Chestnut (SAF)

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. O/B-Vegso Racing Stable (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; J-Paco Lopez.

2--Hit Show, 123, c, 3, Candy Ride (Arg)--Actress, by Tapit.
   O/B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.
   $140,000.

3--Dreamlike, 123, c, 3, Gun Runner--Time to Tap, by Tapit.
   1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. ($975,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP). O-Repole Stable & St. Elias Stable; B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. $75,000.

Also Ran: Arctic Arrogance, Classic Catch, Slip Mahoney, Shadow Dragon, Knox, Crupi, General Banker, Mr. Swagger, Uncle Jake. Scratched: Clear the Air.

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GOODNIGHT OLIVE RETURNS AN EASY WINNER IN THE MADISON

by Alan Carasso

Reigning Eclipse Award-winning female sprinter Goodnight Olive (Ghostzapper) made light work of four rivals to make a successful return to the races in Saturday’s GI Madison S. at Keeneland, the site of her victory in last year’s GI Breeders’ Cup Filly & Mare Sprint.

Eased back off an early duel between Yuugiri (Shackleford) and Society (Gun Runner), the prohibitive 1-4 chalk was steered out into the three path to deliver her challenge and made the front under an Irad Ortiz, Jr. hold a good five-sixteenths of a mile from home. Asked to win her race in upper stretch, Goodnight Olive rolled down to the inner rail as Maryquitecontrary (First Dude) tried to make it a contest, but the champion remained well clear and reported home a comfortable winner.

“She always breaks good. I talked to [trainer Chad Brown and said] I wanted a good pace in front of me,” the winning jockey said. “She can go either to the lead or come from off the pace. I saw they had more speed than me, but I know the first couple jumps she’s going to break good. So I let them go to get a strong pace in front of me, so I would be able to take back without fighting too much and get in the clear earlier. It worked out perfect. I sat right behind the speed, let her do her thing, and she did the rest.”

A runner-up on debut just over two years ago, Goodnight Olive took a pair of late-season starts at three before going missing for seven months. After posting a pair of low-odds allowance wins at Belmont and Saratoga last summer, she recorded a 2 3/4-length romp in the GI Ballerina H. at the Spa Aug. 28 and overwhelmed her rivals to lock up the Eclipse with a 2 1/2-length success in the Filly and Mare Sprint when last seen Nov. 5.

Pedigree Notes:

Goodnight Olive is the fourth winner of the Madison for Ghostzapper in its last 10 runnings (Judy the Beauty, 2014; and former Brown trainees Paulassilverlining, 2017; and Guarana, 2020).

Goodnight Olive is one of two winners from three to the races out of dual Grade III winner Salty Strike, who was acquired by the Stonestreet team for $800,000 at the Keeneland January Sale in 2013. A half-sister to the stakes-winning Salty Response (Cozzene) and to the stakes-placed dam of this year’s Sanibel Island S. third Mohawk Trail (Pioneerof the Nile), Salty Strike is also the dam of the unraced Katie’s Keepsake (Medaglia d’Oro), who was sold for $250,000 in foal to Ghostzapper at this year’s Keeneland January Sale. Katie’s Keepsake’s 3-year-old daughter Fourth Street (Street Sense) broke her maiden at second asking at Golden Gate this February.

Saturday, Keeneland

MADISON S.-GI, $580,000, Keeneland, 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23.12, ft.

1--GOODNIGHT OLIVE, 123, m, 5, by Ghostzapper

1st Dam: Salty Strike (MGSW, $485,266), by Smart Strike

2nd Dam: Lake Huron, by Salt Lake

3rd Dam: My Rainbow, by Lyphard

O-First Row Partners and Team Hanley; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. $372,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. Female Sprinter, 8-7-1-0, $1,391,950. Werk Nick Rating: A.

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2--Maryquitecontrary, 123, f, 4, by First Dude

1st Dam: Mary Kate ‘n Kelly, by Mecke

2nd Dam: Boots ‘n Jackie, by Major Moran

3rd Dam: Cherokee Ace, by Cherokee Fellow

1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. O/B-R. G. Lundock (FL); T-Claude R. McGaughey III. $100,000.

3--Society, 123, f, 4, by Gun Runner

1st Dam: Etiquette, by Tapit

2nd Dam: Archduchess, by Pleasant Tap

3rd Dam: My Marchesa, by Stately Don
DOPPELGANGER FINDS HIS OWN IDENTITY IN CARTER

'It's huge,' Russell said after recording her first Grade I victory as a trainer. "Especially this horse. This is the first horse that the group sent me last year. We opted to give him some time and let him develop, and it's nice to see that it pays off. It's a job well done to the whole team and rewarding to see the patience pay off."

She continued, "The fact that were able to run him in the 'a other than' and then he comes back in the 'two other than'--this horse thinks he's on top of the world. He doesn't know what races he won in when he won at Laurel. He's just had a lot of confidence and trained well. I've been getting feedback in the morning from everyone that he's getting better and today it showed."

The GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan H. on June 10 at Belmont Park could be a potential target for Doppelganger going forward.

Pedigree Notes:
Doppelganger becomes the 15th Grade I winner and 64th graded winner for his all-conquering sire Into Mischief. Quiet American is now the broodmare sire of 18 Grade I winners. Doppelganger's SW & MGSP dam Twice the Lady, a $105,000 purchase by Offset Bloodstock at the 2022 Keeneland November sale, produced a colt by Improbable this year. She was previously a $350,000 purchase by Doppelganger's breeder WinStar Farm at the 2013 FTKNOV sale.

Saturday, Aqueduct
CARTER H. PRESENTED BY NYRA BETS-GI, $300,000, Aqueduct, 4-8, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23.25, ft.
1--DOPPELGANGER, 118, c, 4, by Into Mischief
1st Dam: Twice the Lady (SW & MGSP, $312,204), by Quiet American
2nd Dam: Catherine's Crown, by Chief's Crown
3rd Dam: Catherine's Bet, by Grey Dawn II
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN, 1ST GRADE I WIN. 'TDN Rising Star'. ($570,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL). O-SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC, Catherine M. Donovan, Golconda Stable, Siena Farm LLC; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Brittany T. Russell; J-Jevinian Toledo. $165,000. Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-1, $442,400. Werk Nick Rating: C+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--Repo Rocks, 122, g, 5, Tapiture--Hawaiian Love, by Not For Love. 1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. ($35,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; $70,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). O-Double B Racing Stables; B-Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin (VA); T-Jamie Ness. $60,000.

Dueling briefly with Clearly Unhinged (Into Mischief) into the stretch, Faiza put the race to bed within a few strides, scampering clear to win as much the best. And Tell Me Nolies (Arrogate) ran on for second ahead of Window Shopping (American Pharoah) in third. Clearly Unhinged faded to fourth. Faiza remains under the care of Bob Baffert, making her ineligible for a start in the GI Kentucky Oaks.

"I'm very excited," said Petersen, who also campaigned champion and fellow Fasig-Tipton purchase Gamine (Into Mischief). "Five out of five that's more than you ever dream about. It's very nice being on day like this and winning a race. It makes it all worth it."

A supremely easy winner of her Nov. 12 debut at Del Mar, for which she was accorded 'Rising Star' status, Faiza was fully extended in winning the GI Starlet S. at Los Alamitos Dec. 10. A hard-fought, half-length winner of the GIII Las Virgenes S. Jan. 28, Faiza remained in this barn past the Feb. 28 deadline that would have allowed her to run in the GI Kentucky Oaks and went on to best And Tell Me Nolies by 2 1/4 lengths in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. Mar. 5.

FAIZA FOR FUN IN SANTA ANITA OAKS

by Alan Carasso

Michael Lund Petersen's 'TDN Rising Star' Faiza (Girvin) was never really asked for a full effort by Flavien Prat in extending her unbeaten streak to five with a facile success in Saturday's GI Santa Anita Oaks at the Great Race Place.

Beaten for speed and content to sit wide off a longshot front-runner, the $90,000 Fasig-Tipton July yearling turned $725,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic breezer was patiently handled down the backstretch before making a run towards the front on the turn.

Saturday, Santa Anita

SANTA ANITA OAKS-GII, $401,500, Santa Anita, 4-8, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:43.27, ft.
1--FAIZA, 124, f, 3, by Girvin

1st Dam: Sweet Pistol, by Smart Strike
2nd Dam: Pomeroys Pistol, by Pomeroyp
3rd Dam: Prettythetetable, by Point Given

'TDN Rising Star' ($90,000 Ylg '21 FTJUL; $725,000 2yo '22 EASAMAY). O-Michael Lund Petersen; B-Brereton C Jones (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Flavien Prat. $240,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-5-0-0, $642,000. Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
2--And Tell Me Nolies, 124, f, 3, Arrogate--Be Fair, by Exchange Rate. ($70,000 Ylg '21 KEEJIAN; $230,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-Peter Redekop B C Ltd; B-Lara Run LLC (KY); T-Peter Miller. $80,000.

3--Window Shopping, 124, f, 3, American Pharoah--Delightful Joy, by Tapit. 1ST BLACK-TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK-TYPE. ($700,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Perry R Bass II & Ramona S Bass; B-International Equities Holding Inc. (KY); T-Richard E Mandella. $48,000.

PAPILIO SCALES HEIGHTS IN APPALACHIAN
by Alan Carasso

Papilio (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) was her own worst enemy when snatching defeat from jaws of victory in the GIII Herecomesthebride S. in her U.S. debut Mar. 4, and she was anything but entirely focused in the dying strides of Saturday’s GII Appalachian S. at Keeneland. But she overcame wayward ways to prevail over Cairo Consort (Cairo Prince) in a driving finish in Lexington.

Allowed to find her feet near the back of the field as Heavenly Sunday (Candy Ride {Arg}) outfooted Well Into (Into Mischief) and made play up front, Papilio hugged the fence while a fraction keen turning up the backstretch. Steered into the two path while tugging against Javier Castellano from second last into the second turn, Papilio split rivals approaching the quarter pole and was switched out and around ‘TDN Rising Star’ Be Your Best (Ire) (Muharraq {GB}) entering the final furlong. Refusing to chart a straight course and weaving in and out with time ticking away, she wanted to have a good look at the grandstand while trying to win the race inside the sixteenth pole and came in on the comebacking Pleasant Passage (More Than Ready), causing that already beaten rival to check sharply. But Castellano managed to get his mount straightened out in the nick of time for a breakthrough win at the graded level.

The Appalachian was a measure of redemption for the Mark Casse barn, who was shut out on opening day, including an off-the-board effort in the GI Central Bank Ashland S. from champion Wonder Wheel (Into Mischief).

“She has an amazing turn of foot,” Casse said of the winner. “If she ever learns to run a straight line, who knows how good she is? She isn’t really a tricky filly. She’s actually a sweetie. She just runs in different directions. I think once she ‘gets it’ around here she’s going to be very tough.”

Papilio defeated the boys in two of her first three starts and was runner-up in the Listed Churchill S. at Tipperary last August for trainer ‘Fozzy’ Stack and Mrs. M.V. Magnier, Mrs. Paul Shanahan and Tom Magnier. She was a midfield sixth behind the exciting Tahiyra (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) and future GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf winner Meditate (Ire) (No Nay Never) in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. and had the Herecomesthebride all but sewn up, only to hand the race to Danse Macabre (Army Mule).

Pedigree Notes:
The 28th worldwide black-type winner and 18th graded/group winner for her sire (by Choisir {Aus}), Papilio was a €60,000 purchase by Shawn Dugan at the 2021 Arqana August Sale and is out of an unraced half-sister to Balius (Ire) (Mujahid), a Group 2 winner in Dubai, a five-time listed winner in France, victorious at stakes level in Turkey and Group 1-placed in Hong Kong and Singapore. Glafyra is the dam of the 2-year-old filly Feet of Fear (GB) (Ten Sovereigns) and a yearling colt by Cable Bay (Ire).
Promiseher America (gold cap) | Sarah Andrew

Less than 24 hours after Defining Purpose (Cross Traffic) caused a 20-1 boilover in the GI Central Bank Ashland S. at Keeneland, Promiseher America (American Pharoah) followed suit with another long-odds victory in Saturday’s GIII Gazelle S. at Aqueduct.

Taking a steep rise in class, having graduated by better than a half-dozen lengths going this track’s one-turn mile Feb. 19, the $75,000 OBS April graduate was alertly away and settled just off the flank of the rail-drawn Capella (Quality Road) through a half-mile in a moderate :49.60 as favored Occult (Into Mischief) raced with the pace three wide. Asked to claim the front-runner nearing the stretch, Promiseher America wrested command with about a quarter mile to travel, but soon had Occult breathing down her neck. The 26-1 outsider--the only horse to jump at a double-digit quote--turned back that challenge passing the eighth pole and Charging Girl (Dialed In), a latest fourth in what is shaping as a productive renewal of the GIII Honeybee S. Feb. 25, began to find her best finishing kick down the center of the track. But Promiseher America had just enough to narrowly annex the final local GI Longines Kentucky Oaks prep.

“She was super impressive last time and I said, ‘Let’s go the nine furlongs. We can always go back to the [first-level allowance] if we need to,’” said trainer Ray Handal, winning his first graded stakes. “But I like the idea of two turns. She’s just built like a two-turn kind of horse. She obviously had to step up. It was one of those races where whoever took the biggest step forward would win this race today and she was in the realm of them and she hung on.”

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Pedigree Notes:

Promiseher America is the 20th worldwide winner at the graded/group level for her sire and 34th black-type winner overall. She is also the 221st stakes winner and 114th graded or group winner out of a daughter of the influential Unbridled’s Song. She is inbred 4 x 3 to GI Kentucky Derby hero Unbridled.

On behalf of his clients Robert and Lawana Low, Jacob West acquired Promisedyouheaven for $370,000 with this filly in utero at the 2019 Fasig-Tipton November Sale, where the mare’s then-weakling colt by Practical Joke fetched $240,000 from OXO Equine. Second dam Hurricane Bernie, winner of the 2007 Canterbury Park Lassie, is a half-sister to Mizdirection (Mizzen Mast), two-time winner of the GI Breeders’ Cup Turf Sprint.

Promisedyouheaven is the dam of a yearling filly by Curlin and is due to Constitution for her foal of 2023.

Saturday, Aqueduct
GAZELLE S.-GIII, $250,000, Aqueduct, 4-8, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:51.41, ft.

1--PROMISEHER AMERICA, 118, f, 3, by American Pharoah
   1st Dam: Promisedyouheaven, by Unbridled’s Song
   2nd Dam: Hurricane Bernie, by Sea of Secrets
   3rd Dam: Deceptive, by Clever Trick
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($75,000 2yo ’22 OBSAPR). O-Hoffman Thoroughbreds & Tom F McCrooklin.; B-Robert & Lawana Low (KY); T-Raymond Handal; J-Jorge A Vargas, Jr. $137,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, $198,138. Werk Nick Rating: C+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Gambling Girl, 118, f, 3, by Dialed In
   1st Dam: Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats
   2nd Dam: Zee Zee, by Exchange Rate
   3rd Dam: Emblem of Hope, by Dynaformer
1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE WIN. ($77,000 Wlg ’20 KEENOV; $310,000 Ylg ’21 KEESSEP). O-Peter M. Brant; B-Gabriel Duignan & Gerry Dilger (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward. $31,938. Margins: HF, 1HF, NO. Odds: 2.15, 40.93, 3.80. Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

SHAKERTOWN S.-GII, $319,094, Keeneland, 4-8, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.58, gd.

1--CARAVEL, 121, m, 6, by Mizzen Mast
   1st Dam: Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats
   2nd Dam: Zee Zee, by Exchange Rate
   3rd Dam: Emblem of Hope, by Dynaformer
   ($330,000 RNA 3yo ’20 WANOCT; $500,000 4yo ’21 FTKNOV). O-Qatar Racing, Marc Detampel & Madaket Stables LLC; B-Elizabeth M. Merryman (PA); T-Brittany A. Vanden Berg. $63,875. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Bad Beat Brian, 122, g, 6, by Jack Milton--Ultimate Class, by During. 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. ($22,000 RNA Wlg ’17 KEENOV; $16,000 RNA Ylg ’18 KEESSEP; $115,000 2yo ’19 EASMAY). O-Marsisco Brothers Racing LLC; B-Pope McLean, Pope McLean Jr., Marc McLean & Phil Hager (KY); T-Brittany A. Vanden Berg. $31,938. Margins: HD, HF, NO. Odds: 2.15, 40.93, 3.80. Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
Shakertown S. cont.

In Keeneland’s second consecutive race Saturday with a Breeders’ Cup-winning mare from last November returning to the scene of her greatest triumph for her 2023 debut, Caravel won the Lexington oval’s GII Shakertown S. She was last seen taking the GI Breeders’ Cup Turf Sprint over this course and distance Nov. 5. It was deja vu, as just like last November, when Goodnight Olive (Ghostzapper) won the GI Breeders’ Cup Filly and Mare Sprint in the race immediately preceding the Turf Sprint on that card, Goodnight Olive won the GI Madison S. in the race immediately preceding the Shakertown on Saturday’s card.

Caravel earned a 107 Beyer Speed Figure in the Breeders’ Cup, her first time beating the boys. She was 42-1 that day, but the secret was out Saturday in her return to the races, again against males. The 2-1 choice had worked well at Turfway Park on the all-weather surface since February and secured a bullet in her lone Keeneland work, a :48 1/5 (1/4) over the all-weather training track Apr. 1.

The gray went straight to the front in the Shakertown and looked strong throughout despite Bad Beat Brian hounding her two furlongs in. Caravel hit that mark in :21.86 while Bad Beat Brian increased the pressure. The two rounded the turn with Caravel just in front at the :44.77 half, then battled down the five-furlong marker that Bad Beat Brian poked his head in front, neither wanting to give an inch. It was around the :56.45 mile, Caravel absolutely would not be denied. She gamely fought back, all heart, and got her head down on the wire in 1:02.58.

“I loved it [when she came back after being headed],” said winning rider Tyler Gaffalione, who was also aboard for the Breeders’ Cup. “She showed so much heart there. She’s a very alert filly. I’m just lucky enough to be able to guide her around there. [Whether she wants the lead] depends on her break. She’s a very alert filly. She jumped well today, so I didn’t want to take anything away from her.”

Picked up by her current connections for $500,000 at the 2021Fasig-Tipton November sale as a Grade III winner, Caravel was turned over to Brad Cox for 2022 and had a stellar year, winning five of eight, all black-type events. She is actually on the scene of her greatest triumph for her 2023 debut, Caravel’s dam, Zeezee Zoomzoom. The first foal for Zeezee Zoomzoom, Caravel has a younger dual black-type winning half-brother, as well as a 2-year-old half-brother named Enzo (Great Notion) and a 2022 half-sister by Street Boss. The workmanlike family has not been generous with black-type; until Zeezee Zoomzoom’s feat of producing Caravel, one has to go back to the Shakertown winner’s seventh black-type winner and French champion Flotilla (Fr) and 2012-13 Turf Sprint winner Mizdirection. Caravel is also one of 19 stakes winners out of a daughter of Congrats, although surely none has such a fun name as Caravel’s dam, Zeezee Zoomzoom.

Satuday, Santa Anita
CHARLES WHITTINGHAM S. PRESENTED BY FANDUEL TV-GII, $200,500, Santa Anita, 4-8, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:02.45, fm.

1--OFFLEE NAUGHTY, 120, h, 5, by Flashback
1ST Dam: Acting Naughty (GSW, $421,709), by Offlee Wild
2nd Dam: Mariaburg, by Langfuhr
3rd Dam: Marienburg, by Conquistador Cielo

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($4,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN). O-James M. Daniell and Donna Daniell; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy; J-John R. Velazquez. $120,000. Lifetime Record: 16-4-1-1, $310,645.

Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
Charles Whittingham S. cont.
Also Ran: Gold Phoenix (Ire), Masteroffoxhounds, Midnight Jostar. Scratched: Oncoming. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

The longest shot on the board at 11-1, Offlee Naughty stunned the GII Charles Whittingham S. after Midnight Jostar (Midnight Lute) slipped and fell in early stretch. The winner was able to avoid his fallen rival, who quickly got back to his feet under his own power and was caught by an outrider before walking off the course.

Offlee Naughty appeared to bobble a little leaving the stalls and trailed the field early as Dicey Mo Chara crawled up front through :25.20 and :50.63 fractions. He moved up one spot briefly, but then found himself relegated back to sixth and last again two furlongs from home. Navigating the traffic, he tipped in and out, avoided the fallen horse in front of him, and found clear sailing late. He mowed down the top two for a length victory.

“The fractions were pretty slow early,” said winning trainer Michael McCarthy. “Johnny [Velazquez] made a move at the four [-furlong pole] to get him in the game and make contact with the pack. He kind of stuck there. I’m not exactly sure what happened at the top of the lane. We were kind of uncorking a run and things got bottled up there for a second. Inside the eighth pole this horse found another gear.”

The Whittingham winner was a $4,000 purchase by West Bloodstock at the 2020 OBS July 2-year-olds and horses of racing age sale. With his only stakes experience a fourth in the GIII San Luis Rey S. at Santa Anita 13 months ago, Offlee Naughty has turned into something of a distance specialist in allowances. Last seen winning a Turfway Park optional allowance Dec. 11 going 10 furlongs on the all-weather surface, he scored a 91 Beyer that day in his 5 3/4-length triumph. His previous three starts were at 12 furlongs and he's run primarily on the turf in his career. McCarthy had just shipped him to California this week and said he planned to target some of the 1 1/2-mile graded races in the next few months.

Santa Anita had three more races scheduled on the grass Saturday after the Whittingham, but management opted to move all to the dirt due to concern over the turf course condition.

Pedigree Notes:
The Tapit stallion Flashback, who has been standing in Korea since 2021, is the sire of Offlee Naughty, champion and Breeders’ Cup winner British Idiom, and four other black-type winners. Broodmare sire Offlee Wild, who originally stood at Darley before exportation to Turkey, died in 2016 of a heart attack in that country. Offlee Naughty is the seventh stakes winner out of one of his daughters.

Acting Naughty's last reported foal is a 2-year-old colt by Flameaway who was sold at last year's Texas Yearling Sale for $50,000 to Grassroots Training and Sales.

Saturday, Keeneland
COMMONWEALTH S.-GIII, $300,000, Keeneland, 4-8, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23.42, ft.
1--HERE MI SONG, 118, g, 5, by Cross Traffic
1st Dam: Mi Viera, by Dehere
2nd Dam: Riviera Mill, by Royal Academy
3rd Dam: Summertime Liza, by Meadowlake
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.
O/B-Nathan Hayden (KY); T-William Stinson, Jr.; J-Alex Achard. $174,375. Lifetime Record: 19-5-7-1, $563,193.
Werk Nick Rating: A++. *Triple Plus* Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Hoist the Gold, 118, c, 4, Mineshaft--Tacit Approval, by Tapit. ($47,000 RNA Ylg ’20 KEESEP). O-Dream Team One Racing Stable; B-Dream Team Racing (KY); T-Dallas Stewart. $56,250.

3--Get Her Number, 118, h, 5, Dialed In--Fancier, by Bernstein. ($45,000 2yo ’20 OBSAPR). O-Gary Barber; B-Philip Robertson & Brenda Robertson (KY); T-Peter Miller. $28,125.

THOROSTRIDE--featured horse
Margins: NK, 2 1/4, NO. Odds: 11.80, 9.92, 4.49.
Also Ran: Nakatomi, Run Classic, Pro Oxidant, Heart Rhythm, Spankster, Long Range Toddy, Legionnaire. Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
Commonwealth S. cont.

Here Mi Song, a narrow maiden winner at fourth asking at the 2021 Keeneland fall meeting, was second in a pair of attempts last spring and fall in Lexington. He made his last three starts over Turfway's all-weather, finishing second in the Forego S. Feb. 4 and sixth as the favorite in the Big Daddy S. last time Mar. 11.

Overlooked at the windows at 11-1 for this graded stakes debut, Here Mi Song was outspurited in eighth through an opening quarter in :22.89. The gray began to wind up with a flashy, sweeping move on the far turn, gained a narrow advantage while four deep at the top of the stretch and outslugged Hoist the Gold to the wire after a long drive to pull off the upset.

“It’s unbelievable,” trainer Billy Stinson, Jr. said after saddling his first career stakes winner. “It hasn’t sunk in yet. We knew he was capable; I mean, he runs every time. He’s just a nice horse. You’re always worried when you’re running against these kind of horses until you cross the wire. It’s a good day—a good day.”

Pedigree Notes:
A day after siring his second graded winner via GI Central Bank Ashland S. upsetter Defining Purpose, Cross Traffic was at it again in Lexington registering his third at Keeneland Saturday. Broodmare sire Dehere is now responsible for 53 graded winners. Mi Viera, a maiden of 19 career starts, was bred to Sky Mesa for 2023.

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Saturday, Aqueduct
BAY SHORE S.-GII, $200,000, Aqueduct, 4-8, 3yo, 7f, 1:24.91, ft.
1--JOEY FRESHWATER, 119, c, 3, by Jimmy Creed
   1st Dam: Lake Turkana, by More Than Ready
   2nd Dam: Lake Naivasha, by Empire Maker
2nd Dam: Lake Naivasha, by Empire Maker
3rd Dam: Serra Lake, by Seattle Slew
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. ($6,000 RNA Wlg ‘20 KEENOV; $45,000 Ylg ‘21 KEESEP; $35,000 2yo ‘22 OBSOPN). O-Winning Move Stable; B-Dr. Aaron Sones, Dr. Naoya Yoshida & Dr. Eric Crawford (KY); T-Linda Rice; J-Kendrick Carmouche. $110,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, $210,950. Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

EATON SALES
2--Gilmore, 118, c, 3, Twirling Candy--My Surfer Girl, by Henny Hughes. 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. ($48,000 Wlg ‘20 KEENOV; $250,000 Ylg ‘21 KEESEP). O-SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC and Catherine Donovan; B-Dividing Ridge Farm (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. $40,000.

LANE’S END SALES GRADUATE
3--Victory Way, 118, c, 3, City of Light--Sweet Way, by Giant’s Causeway. 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. O-Pam and Martin Wygod; B-Wygod Equine, LLC (KY); T-William I. Mott. $24,000.

LANE’S END EEBALED & RAISED
Margins: 1 1/4, NO, NK. Odds: 3.15, 2.70, 2.20.
Also Ran: Expected Value, Daydreaming Boy, Prove Right, Arrebato. Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

Reformed maiden claimer Joey Freshwater maintained his strong form for red-hot Linda Rice to make the grade Saturday. Plucked from trainer Matt Shirer and owners NET Racing, Michael Dubb, First Row Partners and Team Hanley when airing by five lengths in a $50,000 maiden claimer at Churchill in November, the dark bay doubled up in a starter optional claimer here on New Year’s Day. He was third in the Feb. 11 Jimmy Winkfield S., and second by a neck in a first-level allowance Mar. 19, good for a standout 92 Beyer Speed Figure.

Away on top, Joey Freshwater settled in to stalk from third behind an opening quarter of:23.54. He made an ominous three-deep move to assert into a :46.88 half, and eventually edged clear from well-backed debut winner Victory Way, who was nipped for second on the line.
“I had a very good trip,” said winning rider Kendrick Carmouche. “The seven-eighths went perfect for the horse. I just wanted to make sure I could make the last eighth of a mile with this horse, and he did. I’m just glad he’s got fight in him, because I think that’s what made him a winner today. I’m just glad to be part of it. Linda [Rice] had this horse ready to run today.”

Rice offered, “I was very happy. Kendrick rode him before [on Jan. 1]. He stalked from second beautifully when he won on him before. I was hoping we’d get a set-up like that where he broke well enough to be in good position and could stalk off a little duel rather than have to press the pace himself. Great race, great ride, nice horse... He’s a quirky horse. He’s got a lot to learn, but he’s learning and getting more professional with each race. I was happy that he ran as well as he did. He switched leads better today than in the Jimmy Winkfield. I was also happy he performed so well without Lasix.”

Pedigree Notes:
A :10 1/5 OBS June breezer as hip 16 last year, Joey Freshwater becomes the fifth graded stakes winner for Jimmy Creed and is bred on the same cross as another stakes winner born in 2020 in Campfire Creed. The late More Than Ready is now the broodmare sire of 68 graded stakes winners worldwide. Dam Lake Turkana was claimed by Joey Freshwater’s breeders for $25,000 out of her final start at Belterra in 2018. Joey Freshwater was her first foal. Next up was a Gun Runner filly who fetched $70,000 at KEENOV ’21. Lake Turkana was unsuccessfully bred to Tiz the Law next, and visited Dialed In last season.

Saturday, Santa Anita
*MONROVIA S., $201,000, Santa Anita, 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (off turf), 1:15.56, ft.
1--ELM DRIVE, 124, f, 4, by Mohaymen
  1st Dam: Lets Dance Charlie, by Indian Charlie
  2nd Dam: Dance Darling, by Devil’s Bag
  3rd Dam: Danzig Darling, by Danzig
  ($40,000 Ylg ’20 OBSOCT; $165,000 2yo ’21 OBSMAR). O-Little Red Feather Racing; B-Kenneth D’Oyen (KY); T-Philip D’Amato; J-Ramon A. Vazquez. $120,000. Lifetime Record: GSW, 9-4-0-1, $348,140. *1/2 to Mother of Dragons (First Dude), MSW, $153,995.

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Also Ran: Awake At Midnyte, Canoodling, Freedom Flyer, Legs Galore. Scratched: Amy C (GB), One Silk Stocking, Stella Noir, Tom’s Beauty. *Automatically downgraded from Grade III status due to surface switch. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

While she was scheduled to make her turf debut here, the connections of Elm Drive likely weren’t devastated when it was announced that the rest of the day’s grass races would be moved to the main track after a runner in the GII Charles Whittingham S. slipped and fell (and subsequently walked off). Elm Drive’s last win came in the local Angels Flight S. going an extra sixteen over this same strip, and was also a narrow winner of Del Mar’s GII Sorrento S. at two. Third in last July’s GII Great Lady M. S. going this distance at Los Al, she was looking to bounce back and shake off the rust after far-back finishes in Saratoga’s GI Test S. in August and Pimlico’s Weather Vane S. in September while a temporary member of the Michelle Nevin barn.

Sporting back-to-back local bullets for this, Elm Drive broke well from the rail under GI Runhappy Santa Anita Derby-winning pilot Ramon Vazquez and pressed splits of :21.96 and :44.42 from the inside. Holding a narrow lead as they straightened with Big Summer breathing down her neck, Elm Drive responded willingly to Vazquez’s encouragement to hit another gear and spurt away to get the job done.
“She is primarily a dirt horse, so of all of the decisions of all the owners here had to make, I think ours was the easiest,” said Gary Fenton of Little Red Feather. “We wanted to run a couple weeks ago on the dirt, but something happened there, so we tried her on the turf. The way of being on the inside and having the speed that she does, and seeing the speed from the outside, really put us in a predicament. We told Ramon to play the break and I’m unsure it was the best circumstance for her, but then she came up right along the rail and the other horses were coming at her, and that’s where her heart came in.”

The winner has a 2-year-old half-brother by Accelerate who was a $15,000 OBSOCT yearling and a yearling half-brother by Volatile. Her dam was bred to Violence for 2023.

DEFINING PURPOSE TO PREP FOR OAKS AT CHURCHILL

Defining Purpose (Cross Traffic), upset winner of the GI Central Bank Ashland S. at Keeneland Apr. 7, will ship to Churchill Downs either this coming Monday or Tuesday to prepare for a start in the GI Longines Kentucky Oaks May 5.

“Defining Purpose came to us in late spring last year,” said trainer Ken McPeek, who was unsaddling an Ashland winner for the third time in his career. “She is the first horse I have received from Collete Vanmatre. She told me to see what I thought of her and we put her in our program. From the beginning, she was always very forward. Very enthusiastic and liked her job. She did everything we ever asked.”

Amelia Green, assistant to trainer Todd Pletcher indicated that ‘TDN Rising Star’ Julia Shining (Curlin), a close third in the Ashland, emerged from the effort none the worse for wear and is scheduled to ship across to Louisville Apr. 16 for a potential Oaks bid. The Stonestreet runner currently has 46 points, good for 14th place in the standings, which could leave her on the outside looking in depending on the other results from Saturday. Punchbowl (Uncle Mo) picked up 40 points towards the Oaks and could find herself in a similar quandary as Julia Shining regarding an Oaks berth.

Wonder Wheel (Into Mischief) was good enough to be named the champion of her generation last season, but also faces a somewhat uncertain fate for the first Friday in May. The GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies winner has amassed 48 points, currently 12th in the standings. She was only sixth in the Ashland.

“She’s good this morning, but yesterday, it just wasn’t her day,” trainer Mark Casse said. “We'll take her to Churchill and see how she trains, but she may not get in [to the Oaks].”

CITING SURFACE CONCERNS, LAUREL CANCELS SATURDAY’S CARD By Bill Finley

In a press release sent out just 50 minutes before the post time for the day’s first race, Laurel Park management announced that the Saturday card had been postponed. The reason given was an “abundance of caution to do a full evaluation of the racing surfaces.”

According to multiple sources, two horses broke down during training hours Saturday. One of the horses had to be euthanized and the other did not. There were no incidents during racing on Thursday and Friday.

Maryland Jockey Club Acting President Mike Rogers sent a group text to horsemen Saturday at 11:10 a.m, which read: “I have received feedback from some of the horsemen that they have concerns about the track, and we are going to take the next couple of days to investigate those concerns.”

The track will be closed Sunday and Monday, but is expected to re-open for training on Tuesday. Live racing resumes Thursday.

The condition of the main track at Laurel has been an issue in recent years. In 2021, seven horses died at Laurel over a four-week period after a new racing surface was installed.

According to the Racingbiz.com, Rogers addressed concerns horsemen had with the track in an April 4 meeting of the Maryland Racing Commission, saying the company was in the midst of repairs to a spot near the first finish line.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

ECHO EDDIE S., $151,000, Santa Anita, 4-8, (S), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:15.66, ft.

1--KANGAROO COURT, 122, g, 3, by Dads Caps
   1st Dam: Bonus Spin, by Hard Spun
   2nd Dam: Two Punch Gal, by Two Punch
   3rd Dam: Cranberry Muffin, by Shelter Half
   ($6,500 RNA Ylg '21 FTCAYR; $7,500 Ylg '21 ARZNOV). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-George A. Sharp; B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA); T-Tim Yakteen; J-Flavien Prat. $90,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, $197,200.

2--Bus Buzz, 120, g, 3, Stay Thirsty--Lost Bus, by Bring the Heat. ($97,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Thomas E. Halasz, Terry C. Lovingier and Amanda Navarro; B-Terry C. Lovingier (CA); T-Steve R. Knapp. $30,000.

3--Clouseau, 122, c, 3, Distorted Humor--English Garden, by Bernardini. ($150,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-ISK Racing Stable Inc., Doug Hames, Rebekah Lawless, Tom D. Lawless, Frank Lewkowitz and Karen Lewkowitz; B-PT Syndicate #1 LLC (CA); T-Ian Kruljac. $18,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, $197,200.

Also Ran: Left Hand Man, Clovisconnection, Good N Thirsty, Barely Functional. Scratched: Austonian.

Facing seven other Cal breds, Kangaroo Court recorded his first stakes victory in as many tries after clearing the maiden ranks at second-asking by a whopping 14 1/2-lengths Aug. 20 at Del Mar. Laid off until he returned Mar. 4, this time against optional claimers at Santa Anita, the gelding won by 1 3/4 length over rival Bus Buzz (Stay Thirsty). As the 1-2 heavy favorite in this spot, the Tim Yakteen trainee tracked his 7-2 priced former foe from second and rounding the far turn, the pair pulled even for the stretch run. In a battle back-and-forth down the lane, it was Kangaroo Court that surged across the wire by a head. The winner is his dam's second to make the races, but she also has a 2-year-old colt by Cat Burgular and a yearling colt by Bodexpress. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

RAINBOW S., $150,000, Oaklawn, 4-8, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10.93, ft.

1--KING PEANUT, 122, c, 3, by Mo for the Money
   1st Dam: Smell the Roses (SW), by Storm and a Half
   2nd Dam: Toga Rose, by Saratoga Six
   3rd Dam: Darby's Last Rose, by Darby Creek Road
   1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Richard B. Christian; B-Eugenia Thompson Benight (AR); T-Daniel C. Peitz; J-Francisco Arrieta. $91,650. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, $156,050.

2--Bohemian Bo, 115, c, 3, Gentlemen's Bet--Sadie Be Mine, by Valid Expectations. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Michael J. and Linda Mazoch; B-Michael Mazoch (AR); T-Thomas D. Vance. $28,200.

3--Debater, 117, g, 3, Ordained--Heated Debate, by Closing Argument. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Starfish Stable, LLC (AR); T-Jaime N. Gonzalez. $14,100.

Also Ran: Choctaw Zip, Stuck N Snow, Midnight Taxes, Chupapi Munyayo, Huey Duey.

King Peanut came out running at first asking with a seven-length win in state-bred maiden special weight company over this same track and distance to end his 2-year-old season Dec. 31. Third last time out over a sloppy surface facing winners for the first time, the bay rebounded Saturday with a win in the Arkansas-bred Rainbow S. in near front-running fashion. Kept up close with leader Midnight Taxes (Midnight Lute), King Peanut vied along the inside around the turn and cleared off nicely when prompted at the head of the lane to win going away. Smell the Roses has not produced a foal since King Peanut in 2020 despite two attempts and was bred to Street Strategy for the 2023 season. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
CEILING CRUSHER, 122, f, 3, by Mr. Big
1st Dam: Palisadesprincess, by Indian Charlie
2nd Dam: Dixietwostepper, by More Than Ready
3rd Dam: Dixiechickadee, by Grindstone
($22,000 Ylg '21 NCAAUG; $115,000 RNA 2yo '22 FTCAYR).
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.
O-Wonderland Racing Stables, LLC, Todd Cady, Tim Kasparoff, and Ty Leatherman; B-Harris Farms, Inc. (CA); T-Doug F. O'Neill; J-Juan J. Hernandez.

$90,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, $173,400.
2--Tom's Regret, 124, f, 3, Tom's Tribute--Pure, by Quality Road. ($20,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR; $390,000 RNA 2yo '22 FTDMAF). O-Cinema Thoroughbreds, Michelle K. Beckerle, Saul Carrillo, Victor M. Flores, Burton Johnson, and Eugene Zondlo; B-DP Racing, LLC (CA); T-Steven Miyadi. $30,000.
3--Cholly, 120, f, 3, Mo Town--Tap Tap Ur It, by Tapit. ($77,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR). O-Ryan Hanson, Richard C. Pearson, George Scott, and Joan Scott; B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA); T-Ryan Hanson. $18,000.
Also Ran: Lov U Mean It, Absolutely Zero.

It's fair to say that Ceiling Crusher just crushed the field in the Evening Jewel S. The undefeated 3-year-old filly demonstrated her natural speed while vying for the top spot down the backstretch clicking off fractions of :21.78 and :43.98. The heavy 1-5 favorite showed another gear to swiftly draw off when roused with a swat of the stick. She widened to a commanding lead and coasted home for her third lifetime tally. The winning margin? It was 15 1/2 lengths back to Tom's Regret who tired while trying to keep pace with the winner.

Juan Hernandez, the winning rider, said: "All the credit to my filly; she's really great! Doug [O'Neill] brought her ready to win today. She was really calm and professional prior to the race, and then out of the gate, she broke quickly. I was trying to get her to go slow, but she was ready to run and win this race."
The winner, a $22,000 purchase at the Northern California Yearling 2022 sale, would later RNA for $115,000 the Fasig Tipton California 2-year-old sale. The streaking bay changed hands after her maiden tally when unveiled for trainer Luis Mendez June 3 last year, and she got seven months off before returning for a first-out win as a sophomore going six furlongs at Santa Anita Jan. 29. Since then, she has had a few sizzling works and tipped her hand that she was primed for the big effort.

Ceiling Crusher's dam, Palisades Princess, had colts by Majestic Harbor and Desert Code in 2021 and 2022. She was bred to Smiling Tiger for this term. She hails from the same family as GISW Cotton Blossom (Broken Vow). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
Fortin Hill (h, 7, Mucho Macho Man--Dusty Rose, by Cherokee Run), who began his career in Chad Brown’s shedrow before moving to Bill Mott’s stable, was last seen Nov. 5 at Keeneland for Paulo Lobo where he was third against optional claimers. The 5-1 shot allowed a trio of pacesetters to grab the lead down the backstretch, but rounding the far turn Fortin Hill got underway in the three path as the lane arrived. Passing a pair of tiring leaders and under right-handed urging, he claimed the prize by 2 1/2-lengths over Kneedeepinsnow (Flat Out). The winner’s dam was bred back-to-back to Mucho Macho Man, producing a yearling colt and a brand new 2023 one. Sales History: $12,000 Ylg '17 KEEJAN; $170,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP; $575,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 12-5-3-2, $277,305. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-OXO Equine LLC; B-Robert L Losey (IN); T-Paulo H. Lobo.

Cupids Crush (f, 3, Cupid--Dazzlingsweetheart, by Dazzling Falls) took a step up in class Saturday off a trio of races at Canterbury Park, two against state-breds. Unraced since a third in the Northern Lights Debutante Sept. 10, the 13-1 shot—who gained Lasix for the first time—broke right to the front and duelled up the backstretch inside of Empire of My Own (Classic Empire). Once free from that pressure past the quarter pole, Cupids Crush opened up a sizeable margin and managed to keep Dawny (West Coast) safely at bay to win by three-quarters of a length. Cupids Crush has a 2-year-old half-sister by Competitive Edge and a yearling half-brother by Atta Boy Roy. Her dam last visited Code of Honor for a 2023 foal. Sales History: $40,000 Ylg '21 MNSAUG. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-1, $102,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Xtreme Racing Stables, LLC; B-Mary & Eric Von Seggern and Barry & Joni Butzow (MN); T-McLean Robertson.

Talladega (c, 3, Into Mischief--Thin Disguise, by Yes It’s True) broke his maiden at fourth-asking with a wire-to-wire victory Jan. 28 in Hot Springs after starting his juvenile career with a seventh-place finish at Churchill Downs Oct. 30. Well-beaten in the GII Rebel S. next out Feb. 25, the $850,000 KEESEP buy faced older runners for the first time in this spot. Bet down from 12-1 to 5-1 by post time, the blinkered Talladega shot out of the gate and controlled the pace up front. Under a snug hold, the Rodolphe Brisset trainee rounded the far turn in control until it was time to let loose down the lane, which resulted in a comfortable score by 2 3/4-lengths over Ben Diesel (Will Take Charge). The winner is a half-brother to Midnight Disguise (Midnight Lute), MSW, $449,960; Forest Caraway (Bodemeister), GISP, $159,380; and Holiday Disguise (Harlan’s Holiday), GSW, $662,775. His dam is also responsible for a 2-year-old filly by Ghostzapper and a yearling colt by Authentic. She visited Essential Quality in 2022. Sales History: $400,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; $850,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, $145,428. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-WinStar Farm LLC and Siena Farm LLC; B-Spruce Lane, Stepwise, Ground Thunder, Robbins, Copper Beech, Lynn, et. al. (KY); T-Rodolphe Brisset.
Light), GSP, $123,750, who was runner-up in Saratoga’s GII With Anticipation S. last year. She has a 2021 colt by Twirling Candy named Cugino, who sold for $225,000 to West Point Thoroughbreds at the 2022 Keeneland September sale, and a War of Will yearling colt. She was bred to Essential Quality for 2023. Sales History: $260,000 Ylg ’20 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, $158,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Peter M. Brant; B-Mr. Gary Barber, Madaket Stables and Tapit Syndicate (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

2nd-Tampa Bay Downs, $24,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($75,000), 4-8, 3yo, 7f, 1:23.36, ft, 1/2 length.

GALAXY MUSIC (c, 3, Keen Ice--Zo Bow, by Oxbow), the longest shot on the board at 25-1, broke his maiden on debut at Colonial Downs last August before running into undefeated GII Louisiana Derby winner Kingsbarns (Uncle Mo) last time out at Tampa Feb. 12. Engaged on the front end early inside of Lookin’ Super (Bucchero), he held his advantage into the turn and narrowly held off a closing bid from favored Call Me Ice Man (Frosted) to win by a half-length. Zo Bow has 2-year-old colt by Klimt, a yearling Bee Jersey colt, and was bred to Firing Line for the 2023 season. Sales History: $20,000 Ylg ’21 FTKOCT; $27,000 RNA 2yo ’22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, $50,910. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-GOP Racing Stable; B-Westbrook Stables LLC (KY); T-Gerard Ochoa.

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

11th-Keeneland, $98,495, Msw, 4-8, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.89, gd, 2 1/2 lengths.

OPERATION TORCH (c, 3, War Front--Photograph, by Unbridled’s Song), second last-out in Florida Mar. 3 in a Gulfstream maiden special, left the blocks here as the 7-5 favorite Tracking along from the inside in fourth, he loomed the most prominent danger through the far turn as the field closed ranks for the homeward drive. Entering the lane in midbid, Operation Torch drew off by 2 1/2 lengths as 16-1 longshot My Boy Tony (Noble Mission {GB}) bested the rest for runner-up in the Keeneland night cap. A full-sibling to a host of accomplished runners including War Dispatch, GSW & G1SP-Fr, $768,770; Civil Union, GISW, $483,810; and George Patton, GSP-Fr, $105,521, the Joseph Allen homebred also claims Irish GSP U S S Michigan as a full-relation as well as yet another placed full-brother. Photograph herself hails from an accomplished and well-traveled family as the half-sister to Hong Kong champion stayer Lines of Battle (War Front); his full-sister GSW & GSW-Fr War Flag, the dam of GSW Personal Best (Tapit); GSW-Fr Homebound (Dixie Union); GSP-Fr Blue Exit (Pulpit) and G1SP-Fr Battle Paint (Tale of the Cat). She recently produced a 2-year-old The Hero Code (Tapit) as well as a yearling colt by Uncle Mo and a 2023 filly by Constitution. This is the female family of Dynaformer, Obee Wild, and no less than 12 other Graded or Group performers. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $69,875. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O/B-Joseph Allen, LLC (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III.

7th-Oaklawn, $90,000, Msw, 4-8, 3yo, 6f, 1:10.66, ft, 1/2 length.

LARK’S MISCHIEF (c, 3, Into Mischief--Miss Besilu {MGISP, $187,829}, by Medaglia d’Oro) had been third in all four of his prior starts--while holding the lead in each at some point, including in his Mar. 3 last over track and trip--but was able to get the job done as the even-money favorite for his maiden victory. The bay busted out of the gate on top, set a controlled pace , and then had enough to stave off the game runner-up, Komorebino Omoide (Jpn) (California Chrome) by a half length. There was a claim of foul against the winner for drifting in midstretch and closing the rail, but it was disallowed. The blaze-faced Lark’s Mischief was a $1,000,000 weanling RNA and $450,000 yearling RNA. He is out of MGISP Miss Besilu, which makes him a half brother to Gun It (Tapit), MGSP, $423,174. The second dam, Quiet Dance, is responsible for Horse of the Year Saint Liam (Saint Ballado), GSW Funtastic (More Than Ready) and GSW Quiet Giant (Giant’s Causeway), dam of Horse of the
Year and super sire Gun Runner (Candy Ride [Arg]). Miss Besilu's 2021 colt by Into Mischief was sent to Japan and she has a Japan-foaled 2022 colt by American Pharoah. Sales History: $1,000,000 RNA Wlg '20 FTKNOV; $450,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-4, $93,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (Goncalo B. Torrealba), CJ Thoroughbreds and Lee Lewis; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Steve M. Asmussen.

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turn and kicked for home under strong urging to break his maiden by 3-lengths over Subrogate (Arrogate). The winner has a 2-year-old half-brother by Frosted and yearling half-sister by Candy Ride (Arg). She was bred to Omaha Beach last year. Sales History: $260,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $58,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-R. A. Hill Stable and Reeves Thoroughbred Racing; B-Pine Ridge Stables LTD (KY); T-George Weaver.

5th-Aqueduct, $80,000, Msw, 4-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.11, fm, neck.

TRYINMYHEARTOUT (f, 3, Into Mischief--Miss Hollywood {SW, $151,430}, by Malibu Moon) found no success on the main track in her first three starts this season, experiencing rough breaks in all of them, and steadily shed equipment from that first start Jan. 7; losing her front bandages and blinkers by the time she got to this maiden voyage on the grass. Jumping much better carrying 23-1 odds, she raced through the first turn in four path and shifted in one lane by the time they got to the backstretch. Second and lightly pushing the issue as Utilization Rate (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) put up the fractions, Tryinmyheartout vied for the lead from two off the fence on the far turn and came under a drive nearing the five-sixteenths marker. On even terms in upper stretch, she took the lead outside the furlong grounds as Utilization Rate tried to fend off a third challenger to her inside. In a blanket finish, Tryinmyheartout proved aptly named and prevailed by a neck as her long-time sparmate claimed runner-up honors by a similar margin. The second to the races for her dam, the victress was a $625,000 RNA as a 2-year-old in training at OBSOPN in 2022 after bringing $400,000 as a yearling the year prior at FTSAUG. Cont.

4th-Aqueduct, $80,000, Msw, 4-8, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.61, ft, 3 lengths.

LET IT RIDE (c, 3, Candy Ride [Arg]--Princess Coco, by Pioneerof the Nile) lost what looked to be a wire-to-wire debut victory by a head Mar. 4 at Gulfstream Park. Shipping to Aqueduct here, the dark bay colt was heavily backed at the windows as the 1-2 favorite and quickly established a lead down the backstretch. Controlling the fractions up front, Let It Ride rounded the far
She has a 2-year-old half-sister Hollywood Dream (Uncle Mo) and a 2023 half-brother by Charlatan. Dam Miss Hollywood is a half-sister to GISW Honor A.P. (Honor Code) as well as a full to MGSP Hollywood Star. Sales history: $400,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG; $625,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, $54,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Brittlyn Stable; B-Brinker Hill Farm, (KY); T-Jose M. Camejo.

10th-Aqueduct, $70,000, (S), Msw, 4-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:08.84, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

WEEKEND RAGS (f, 3, Street Boss--Weekend, by Henny Hughes) picked up black-type as a juvenile in Aqueduct’s state-restricted Key Cents S. behind MSW Stonewall Star (Flatter), who was last seen devastating Laurel’s Wide Country S. by 11 lengths Feb. 18. Third last out in her seasonal bow Jan. 14 in a state-bred maiden special at this distance behind SW Downtown Mischief (Into Mischief), she was given a try at the turf here, and found it to her liking. Vying from the four path early before settling in briefly behind the speed, she secured a spot from three wide through the turn and again pushed the pace. Coaxed along passing the quarter pole, she took the inland route into upper stretch before taking command at the three-sixteenths from tiring leaders. Edging clear by 3 1/4 lengths, Snowy Evening (Frosted) chased Weekend Rags in for the minors from the back of the field. The first stakes horse for her dam, the victress has a 2-year-old half-brother by Midshipman and Weekend is due back to that stallion for 2023. Sales history: $30,000 Wlg ’20 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, $82,300. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-William K. Warren, Jr. and Suzanne Warren; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy.

7th-Santa Anita, $69,500, (S), Msw, 4-7, 3, 4/,Syo, f/m, 6fT, 1:10.37, fm, 2 lengths.

LONG MAYSHE REIGN (f, 3, Stanford--A Kiss for Maria, by First Defence) belied 12-1 odds for a sharp front-running debut score. Magic Game (Flintshire {GB}) was second best. The winner has 2-year-old and yearling siblings by Clubhouse Ride and a foal half-sister by Straight Fire. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $40,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Dan & Tanya Freeman; B-Tanya Rae Freeman (CA); T-Mark Glatt.

4th-Santa Anita, $67,000, Msw, 4-8, 3, 4/,Syo, 6 1/2f, 1:15.38, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

NAVY MAN (c, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Gentle Humor, by Distorted Humor), up late at second-asking to just miss Nov. 13 at Del Mar, was a well-beaten sixth and also fourth when he stretched out in his next pair of attempts Jan. 2 and Jan. 22 at Santa Anita. Looking to break his maiden on the cutback here, the 4-1 price tracked favorite Dillinger (Into Mischief) down the backstretch, but rounding the far turn the pair began to duel. With a slight advantage along the fence into the lane, the chalk tried to get away, but Navy Man was having none of it, as he jetted to the lead past the sixteenth pole to win by 1 1/4-lengths. On a similar Bolt d’Oro and Distorted Humor cross to Derby hopeful Major Dude, the winner has a 2-year-old half-brother by Tapwrit. His dam was bred back to his last year. Sales History: $80,000 Wlg ’20 KEENOV; $475,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, $66,040. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-William K. Warren, Jr. and Suzanne Warren; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy.
7th-Gulfstream, $43,600, Moc ($50,000), 4-8, (C), 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:19.67, ft, 5 lengths.

**SAPPHIRE STAR** (f, 3, Tunwoo--Soiree Stunner, by Drewman) showed strong initiative after the jump in this unveiling to duel from two wide before taking command after the half and drawing away to in by five lengths. Cecilia’s Wings (Uncaptured) rolled on from the back to pick up second as early challenger Mystify (Connect) faded to third. The most recent to the races for Soiree Stunner, Sapphire Star has a pair of half-siblings by Valient Minister--a 2-year-old colt and a yearling filly. The victress was a $100,000 OBSMAR pick up for Baoma Corp last season. Their dam is due to Tunwoo for 2023. Sales history: $28,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT; $100,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $26,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Baoma Corp; B-Tanma Corp (FL); T-Michael R. Matz.

**IN ITALY:**

**La Cortigiana (Ire)**, f, 4, Dialeed In--Discreet Spy, by Discreet Cat. Rome, 4-7, Hcp. 1200m, 1:07.88. B-Irish National Stud (Ire). *£6,000 Ylg '20 GOFOCT.

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

2023 Stud Fees Listed

**Bee Jersey** (Jersey Town), Darby Dan Farm, $5,000
87 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Hawthorne, 5:18 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Mongolian Bee, 6-1

**Bucchero** (Kantharos), Pleasant Acres Stallions
155 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Gulfstream, 2:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Ben’s Hero, 15-1
9-Gulfstream, 4:36 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5fT, Meetmeatthebeach, 5-1
$25,000 OBS WIN wnl

**Collected** (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, $10,000
234 foals of racing age/26 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Santa Anita, 6:00 p.m. EDT, $100K John Shear S., 6 1/2f, Conclude, 8-5
$140,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
5-Hawthorne, 5:18 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Gem Collection, 8-1
$50,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Funtastic** (More Than Ready), Three Chimneys Farm, $5,000
44 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Santa Anita, 6:00 p.m. EDT, $100K John Shear S., 6 1/2f, First Peace, 4-1
$15,000 FTK FEB wnl; $65,000 FTK OCT yrl; $75,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Girvin** (Tale of Ekati), Airdrie Stud, $20,000
180 foals of racing age/31 winners/5 black-type winners
4-Gulfstream, 2:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, The Iceman Runneth, 5-1
$35,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Good Magic** (Curlin), Hill ‘n’ Dale at Xalapa, $50,000
237 foals of racing age/40 winners/7 black-type winners
1-Santa Anita, 3:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/8mT, Escape Artist, 8-5
$90,000 KEE SEP yrl; $185,000 EAS MAY 2yo

**Justify** (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, $100,000
343 foals of racing age/37 winners/7 black-type winners
1-Santa Anita, 3:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/8mT, Nuclear, 2-1
$1,550,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Massaat** (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), Mickley Stud, $4,000
123 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Santa Anita, 6:00 p.m. EDT, $100K John Shear S., 6 1/2f, Mas Rapido (GB), 12-1
£22,000 GOF FUK yrl; £34,000 GOF TY 2yo

**Mor Spirit** (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
190 foals of racing age/28 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Hawthorne, 5:18 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Weslan, 20-1

**Mrazek** (Square Eddie), Ocean Breeze Ranch
20 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Santa Anita, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Ship and Scam, 30-1
$57,000 RNA FTC AYR 2yo

**Oscar Performance** (Kitten’s Joy), Mill Ridge Farm, $20,000
172 foals of racing age/22 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Hawthorne, 5:18 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Act a Fool, 7-5
$10,000 KEE NOV wnl; $100,000 KEE SEP yrl
Ransom the Moon (Malibu Moon), Calumet Farm, $5,000
101 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Santa Anita, 3:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/8mT, Raji, 10-1
$32,000 RNA FTK NOV wnl; $80,000 KEE SEP yrl; $200,000 OBS MAR 2yo

STAKES RESULTS:
RAINBOW MISS S., $150,000, Oaklawn, 4-8, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.87, ft.
1--SHE’S STORMING, 122, f, 3, Hightail--Dedham, by Storm and a Half. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Mike Tedder; B-J. W. Clement (AR); T-Michael Hewitt; J-Kylee R. Jordan. $87,263. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, $165,952.
2--Bennykayandusuyttoo, 122, f, 3, Strong Mandate--Cora and Jas, by Kitten's Joy. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Margaret D Power Hawk (AR); T-John Henry Prather, Jr.. $26,850.
3--Ms Carroll County, 122, f, 3, Cinco Charlie--Valiant Reason, by To Honor and Serve. ($40,000 2yo ’22 TTAAPR). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Ricky G. Smith; B-C.F. Newman (AR); T-Tim Dixon. $13,425.

10th-Sam Houston Race, $37,000, (NW26MX)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 4-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :57.98, sy, 7 3/4 lengths.
TIZ MAGIC (m, 5, Dialed In--Tiz a Brite Miss, by High Brite)
Lifetime Record: 23-7-4-2, $201,798. O-Carl R. Moore Management LLC; B-Jeff, Teresa & Marilyn Little (KY); T-Karen E. Jacks. *$27,000 Wlg ’18 KEENOV; $45,000 Ylg ’19 KEESEP.

SPOTTED HORSE S., (NB) $60,000, Evangeline Downs, 4-7, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.10, my.
1--A G'S CHARLOTTE, 120, f, 4, Mo Tom--Adrianne G (MSP, $346,012), by Indygo Shiner. O/B-Thomas M Galvin (LA); T-Patricia G. West; J-C.J. McMahon. $36,000. Lifetime Record: 16-6-3-3, $263,160.
2--Sassy Beast, 116, m, 5, The Big Beast--I'mclassyandsassy, by Master Command. O/T-Angel M. Rodriguez; B-Alex Lieblong & JoAnn Lieblong (FL). $12,000.
3--Another Hot Mess, 118, f, 4, Hard Spun--Shrilanka, by Pleasantly Perfect. ($125,000 Ylg ’20 KEEJAN). O-Cantrell Family Partnership; B-Godolphin & Clifton Farm (KY); T-Brett A. Brinkman. $6,000.
Margins: 4 1/4, 2HF, 3. Odds: 1.40, 17.60, 1.90.

ACADIANA S., (NB) $60,000, Evangeline Downs, 4-7, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12.71, my.
1--TAYLORS TAP, 117, f, 3, Tapwrit--Ultimate Shopper, by Yes It's True. ($21,000 Ylg ’21 OBSOCT; $35,000 2yo ’22 OBSAPR). O-Norman, Mark and Norman Stables LLC; B-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC (KY); T-Jayde J. Gelner; J-Lane J. Luzzi. $36,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-1, $105,850.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
3rd-Keeneland, $115,850, 4-8, (NW2$X), 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.91, gd, neck.
MISCHIEVOUS ROGUE (g, 5, Into Mischief--Mahna, by Candy Ride (Arg)) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-1, $195,967. O-Southern Comfort Stable LLC; B-Carole I. Fernandez (KY); T-William D. Cowans. *$240,000 RNA 2yo ’20 OBSAPR.
8th-Santa Anita, $93,500, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($100,000), 4-7, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.16, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

SUNRISE JOURNEY (g, 8, Good Journey--Pleasing Sunrise {SP}, by Speightstown) Lifetime Record: 44-15-8-6, $387,396. O-Mia Familia Racing Stable and Ward, Dudley; B-SLO Racing Stable (CA); T-Librado Barocio.

1st-Santa Anita, $79,320, 4-8, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:12.38, fm, 1/2 length.

ONE FLEW SOUTH (h, 7, Giant's Causeway--Sky Haven {MSW & GSP, $220,527}, by Sky Mesa) Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-2, $137,865. O-Clarke M. Cooper Family Trust; B-Gabriel Duignan, William Duignan & Tranquility Investments Ltd (KY); T-Gus Headley. *$170,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESKP. **1/2 to Derby House (Candy Ride {Arg}), GSP, $185,444.

8th-Santa Anita, $76,820, 4-8, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m (off turf), 1:49.82, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

GENERAL MATHIS (g, 6, Run Away and Hide--Dynatap, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-0, $132,430. O-Steve Taub; B-Gary J. & Cindy Falter (OH); T-Kristin Mulhall. *$9,000 Ylg '18 FTKFEB.

3rd-Santa Anita, $76,500, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 4-8, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.07, fm, 1/2 length.

TIME TO PARTY (g, 4, Kantharos--Party Smart, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-5-3-0, $234,711. O-David Bernsen, and Weijland Holdings; B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds & Bridlewood Farm (KY); T-G. Papaprodromou. *$12,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; $72,000 Ylg '20 OBSWIN; $45,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSMAR.

9th-Santa Anita, $72,000, (S), (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($20,000), 4-7, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.87, fm, 1 3/4 lengths.

ATOMIC DROP (g, 5, Mucho Macho Man--Always Sweet, by Street Sense) Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-0, $207,016. O-Little Red Feather Racing; B-Richard Barton Enterprises & Robert Traynor (CA); T-Philip D'Amato. *$45,000 Ylg '19 FTCAKR.

7th-Aqueduct, $72,000, (S), 4-8, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.92, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

NEW GINYA (f, 4, Tonalist--Rapid Rhythm (MSW, $279,437), by Successful Appeal) Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-1, $162,500. O/B-Robert S. Evans (NY); T-Christophe Clement. *$25,000 Ylg '20 KEESKP; $250,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.
2nd-Sam Houston Race, $36,000, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 4-8, 3yo, 1m (off turf), 1:38.68, sy, 2 lengths.
MOR LANA SPIRIT (c, 3, Mor Spirit--Morlana (SP, $111,653), by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, $73,802. O-Southtana Racing LLC; B-Terrazas Thoroughbreds, Litt Family Trust & Jason Litt (KY); T-K. Craddock. *$25,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT.

9th-Sam Houston Race, $36,000, 4-8, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:41.35, my, neck.
OAK HILL LG (g, 4, Blofeld--Ominous Cat, by Storm Cat) Lifetime Record: 15-7-3-0, $114,035. O-L & G Racing Stables; B-Adcock's Red River Farm & J. Adcock (LA); T-Juan Larrosa. $1,800 Ylg '20 ESLYRL. *1/2 to Dark Artist (Paynter), MSW, $164,761.

8th-Charles Town, $33,900, 4-7, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:43.94, ft, 1/2 length.
AMIDSHIPS (g, 4, Midshipman--Jugni, by Colonel John) Lifetime Record: 14-6-3-1, $156,225. O-Coleswood Farm, Inc.; B-Coleswood Farm, Inc. (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco.

5th-Turf Paradise, $21,900, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($10,000-$12,500), 4-8, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.47, fm, head.
GREAT BRITAIN (g, 4, English Channel--Rutherienne (GISW-USA, GSW-Can, $1,298,671), by Pulpit) Lifetime Record: 22-3-4-6, $80,325. O-Larry Gourneau, Jr.; B-Payson Stud Inc (KY); T-Dennis Ward. *$27,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Eternally Grateful, g, 3, American Freedom--Vivian's Grace, by Candy Ride (Arg). Oaklawn, 4-8, (C), 6f, 1:11.53. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-0, $48,542. B-Dreamchaser Thoroughbreds (KY).

Seas of Normandy, g, 3, Normandy Invasion--Sapphire Seas, by Proud Citizen. Oaklawn, 4-8, (C), 1m, 1:39.55. Lifetime Record: 9-1-0-3, $68,011. B-Larry Jones & Cindy Jones (KY). *1/2 to Blue Kentucky (Include), SP, $270,280.

Overanalytical, c, 4, Overanalyze--Bold Kitten (SW, $157,433), by Kitten's Joy. Evangeline Downs, 4-7, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47.83. Lifetime Record: 10-1-3-2, $54,500. B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY). *$9,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESWL.

The Calling Stone, f, 4, Shackelford--Anything But Quiet (MSW, $276,517), by Real Quiet. Evangeline Downs, 4-8, 1m (off turf), 1:43.02. Lifetime Record: 9-1-2-0, $50,240. B-Marcia Jo Lamarche (LA).
American Freedom, Eternally Grateful, g, 3, o/o Vivian’s Grace, by Candy Ride (Arg). MCL, 4-8, Oaklawn

American Pharoah, Promiseher America, f, 3, o/o Promisedyouheaven, by Unbridled’s Song. GIII Gazelle S., 4-8, Aqueduct

Bayern, Devoted to You, g, 5, o/o Loving Lorraine, by Bernstein. AOC, 4-8, Turf Paradise

Blofeld, Oak Hill Lg, g, 4, o/o Ominous Cat, by Storm Cat. ALW, 4-7, Evangeline

Bolt d’Oro, Navy Man, c, 3, o/o Gentle Humor, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 4-8, Santa Anita

Candy Ride (Arg), Let It Ride, c, 3, o/o Princess Coco, by Pioneerof the Nile. MSW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Cross Traffic, Here Mi Song, g, 5, o/o Mi Viera, by Dehere. GII Commonwealth S., 4-8, Keeneland

Cupid, Cupids Crush, f, 3, o/o Dazzlingssweetheart, by Dazzling Falls. AOC, 4-8, Oaklawn

Curlin, Lord Miles, c, 3, o/o Lady Esme, by Majestic Warrior. GII Wood Memorial S. Presented by Resorts World Casino, 4-8, Aqueduct

Dads Caps, Kangaroo Court, g, 3, o/o Bonus Spin, by Hard Spun. Echo Eddie S., 4-8, Santa Anita

Dialed In, Tiz Magic, m, 5, o/o Tiz a Brite Miss, by High Brite. AOC, 4-8, Sam Houston

Drums of Thunder, Run Witt Run, f, 4, o/o Suzy Three, by Glitterman. MSW, 4-8, Sam Houston

English Channel, Great Britain, g, 4, o/o Rutherienne, by Pulpit. ALW, 4-8, Tampa Bay

Flashback, Offlee Naughty, h, 5, o/o Acting Naughty, by Offlee Wild. GII Charles Whittingham S. Presented by FanDuel TV, 4-8, Santa Anita

Flat Out, Reclusive, f, 4, o/o Rockinotherhythm, by Broad Brush. ALW, 4-8, Sam Houston

Ghostzapper, Goodnight Olive, m, 5, o/o Salty Strike, by Smart Strike. GI Madison S., 4-8, Keeneland

Giant’s Causeway, One Flew South, h, 7, o/o Sky Haven, by Sky Mesa. ALW, 4-8, Santa Anita

Good Journey, Sunrise Journey, g, 8, o/o Pleasing Sunrise, by Speightstown. AOC, 4-7, Santa Anita

Good Magic, Equivoque, c, 3, o/o Unreachable, by Giant’s Causeway. MSW, 4-8, Keeneland

Gun Runner, Under the Gun, g, 4, o/o Louisville First, by Girolamo. ALW, 4-8, Sam Houston

Hightail, She’s Storming, f, 3, o/o Dedham, by Storm and a Half. Rainbow Miss S., 4-8, Oaklawn

Into Mischief, Doppelganger, c, 4, o/o Twice the Lady, by Quiet American. GI Carter H. Presented by NYRA Bets, 4-8, Aqueduct

Into Mischief, Lark’s Mischief, c, 3, o/o Miss Besilu, by Medaglia d’Oro. MSW, 4-8, Oaklawn

Into Mischief, Mischievous Rogue, g, 5, o/o Mahna, by Candy Ride (Arg). ALW, 4-8, Keeneland

Into Mischief, Talladega, c, 3, o/o Thin Disguise, by Yes It’s True. ALW, 4-8, Oaklawn

Into Mischief, Tryinmyheartout, f, 3, o/o Miss Hollywood, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Jimmy Creed, Joey Freshwater, c, 3, o/o Lake Turkana, by More Than Ready. GII Bay Shore S., 4-8, Aqueduct

Kantharos, Time to Party, g, 4, o/o Party Smart, by Smart Strike. AOC, 4-8, Santa Anita

Keen Ice, Galaxy Music, c, 3, o/o Zo Bow, by Oxbow. AOC, 4-8, Tampa Bay

Khozan, Gangly, h, 6, o/o Starship Crystal, by Congrats. AOC, 4-8, Gulfstream

Long On Value, Devils Only Friend, g, 3, o/o Sybils Best Friend, by Jersey Town. MOC, 4-8, Gulfstream

Many Rivers, Park Road Cowboy, g, 4, o/o Heat Wave, by Evening Jewel S., 4-7, Evangeline

Midshipman, Amidships, g, 4, o/o Jugni, by Colonel John. ALW, 4-8, Charles Town

Mizzen Mast, Caravel, m, 6, o/o Zeezee Zoomzoom, by Congrats. GII Shakertown S., 4-8, Keeneland

Mo Tom, A G’s Charlotte, f, 4, o/o Adrianne G, by Indygo Shiner. Spotted Horse S., 4-7, Evangeline

Mo for the Money, King Peanut, c, 3, o/o Smell the Roses, by Storm and a Half. Rainbow S., 4-8, Oaklawn

Morf Spirit, Mor Lana Spirit, c, 3, o/o Morlana, by More Than Ready. AOC, 4-8, Sam Houston

Mr. Big, Ceiling Crusher, f, 3, o/o Palisadesprincess, by Indian Charlie. Evening Jewel S., 4-8, Santa Anita

Mr. Prankster, Boses Madchen, f, 3, o/o Chica Mala, by Siente El Trueno. MSW, 4-7, Charles Town

Mucho Macho Man, Atomic Drop, g, 5, o/o Always Sweet, by Street Sense. AOC, 4-7, Santa Anita

Mucho Macho Man, Fortin Hill, h, 7, o/o Dusty Rose, by Cherokee Run. AOC, 4-8, Keeneland
Normandy Invasion, Seas of Normandy, g, 3, o/o Sapphire Seas, by Proud Citizen. MCL, 4-8, Oaklawn

Overanalyze, Overanalytical, c, 4, o/o Bold Kitten, by Kitten’s Joy. MSW, 4-7, Evangeline

Practical Joke, Practical Move, c, 3, o/o Ack Naughtly, by Afleet Alex. G1 RUNHAPPY Santa Anita Derby, 4-8, Santa Anita

Redesdale, Red Moon, f, 3, o/o Dubai Moon, by Malibu Moon. AOC, 4-8, Turf Paradise

Run Away and Hide, General Mathis, g, 6, o/o Dynatap, by Tapit. ALW, 4-8, Santa Anita

Sassicaia, Father Mark, g, 3, o/o Half a Notion, by Half Ours. MSW, 4-8, Evangeline

Shackleford, Farm Dog, g, 3, o/o Peekers Melody, by Fusaichi Pegasus. MSW, 4-8, Sam Houston

Shackleford, The Calling Stone, f, 4, o/o Anything But Quiet, by Real Quiet. MSW, 4-8, Evangeline

Stanford, Long Mayshe Reign, f, 3, o/o A Kiss for Maria, by First Defence. MSW, 4-7, Santa Anita

Starspangledbanner (Aus), Papillio (Ire), f, 3, o/o Gladlyra (Fr), by High Chaparral (Ire). GII Appalachian S. Presented by Japan Racing Association, 4-8, Keeneland

Street Boss, Weekend Rags, f, 3, o/o Weekend, by Henny Hughes. MSW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Tapit, Tapit Trice, c, 3, o/o Danzatrice, by Dunkirk. G1 Toyota Blue Grass S., 4-8, Keeneland

Tapit, Veronica Greene, f, 4, o/o Adorable Miss, by Kitten’s Joy. ALW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Taylors Tap, f, 3, o/o Ultimate Shopper, by Yes It’s True. Acadiana S., 4-7, Evangeline

The Lieutenant, Stolen Future, f, 3, o/o Sugar Boss, by Street Boss. MSW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Tonalist, New Ginya, f, 4, o/o Rapid Rhythm, by Successful Appeal. ALW, 4-8, Aqueduct

Too Much Bling, Love of Grace, f, 3, o/o Off the Screen, by Flower Alley. MSW, 4-7, Charles Town

Tunwoo, Sapphire Star, f, 3, o/o Soiree Stunner, by Drewman. MOC, 4-8, Gulfstream

Uncle Mo, Squire Creek, c, 3, o/o Covenant, by Speightstown. AOC, 4-8, Keeneland

War Front, Operation Torch, c, 3, o/o Photograph, by Unbridled’s Song. MSW, 4-8, Keeneland

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NIGHT OF THUNDER COLT
A NEW RISING STAR

by Tom Frary

Most of the attention was focused on Ballydoyle’s first juvenile runner Alabama (Ire) (No Nay Never) before Cork’s five-furlong Irish Stallion Farms EBF Maiden on Saturday, but ultimately it was another newcomer in the Paddy Twomey-trained Noche Magica (Ire) (Night Of Thunder (Ire) – Pious Alexander (Ire), by Acclamation (GB)) who stole the limelight to become the first European 2-year-old TDN Rising Star of 2023.

Always travelling smoothly anchored towards the back by Billy Lee, Mohammed Ahmad Ali Al Subousi’s £230,000 top-priced colt of the Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale moved forward with ease to take control 1 1/2 furlongs out and draw away for a 3 3/4-length defeat of the experienced Sturlasson (Ire) (Invincible Army (Ire)). There was another 3/4 of a length back to the 6-4 favourite Alabama in third in a maiden despite being short on numbers will probably serve as a key reference point as the season advances.

“Like plenty of mine on debut, he was green and fell out of the gates but once he was going and joined them, Billy said he was just going through the gears,” Twomey said of the dark bay, Night Of Thunder’s second ‘TDN Rising Star’ who had attracted support as the 7-4 second favourite. “He said that that ground actually blunted his speed. He doesn’t want that heavy ground, but I felt he was ready to start and run a nice race. I don’t gallop horses in the spring and he had one breeze and a little half-speed with a 3-year-old last week and that’s all he has done so far--it is natural ability with him.” Cont. p3

ROUGET LINES UP STARS IN PARIS

by Tom Frary

ParisLongchamp stages a fascinating card on Sunday as the 2023 campaign moves onwards, with the G2 Prix d’Harcourt featuring a Group 1 winner in Bertrand Milliere’s Prix Royal-Oak hero Iresine (Fr) (Manduro (Ger)). Saddled with a four-pound penalty for his triumph in the marathon test here in October, he has his work cut out dealing with genuine mile-and-a-half performers like Haras de la Perelle and Stephane Wattel’s G2 Prix Niel winner Simca Mille (Ire) (Tamayuz (GB)) and Al Shaqab Racing’s G2 Prix Guillaume d’Ornano scorer Al Hakeem (GB) (Siyouni (Fr)), who closed out his 3-year-old term with a 2 1/2-lengths fourth in the Arc. Al Hakeem is one of Rouget’s more talented representatives and while he has some ground to make up on the stable’s Vadeni (Fr) (Churchill (Ire)), it is not a great deal and he is open to big improvement at four. Cont. p4

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

KENTUCKY DERBY PREPS ANCHOR SATURDAY ACTION
IN NY, KY, AND CA

The GI Toyota Blue Grass S., GII Wood Memorial S. and GI Runhappy Santa Anita Derby were all held on Saturday.
AMERICAN JOE MILLER RETURNING TO CRAVEN
The top bloodstock advisor and American representative for Tattersalls returns to Park Paddocks for the Craven Breeze-Up Sale this month.

TENEBRISM VICTORIOUS IN CORK DASH
The TDN Rising Star signaled her intentions to stay sprinting with a listed victory at Cork.

DUBAI HONOUR TAKES QUEEN ELIZABETH
The William Haggas trainee got the better of Group 1 winner Mo’unga and nine-time Group 1 hero Anamoe at Royal Randwick.
New ‘TDN Rising Star’ Cont. from p1

“Mark McStay bought him for a new owner to the yard, Mohammed Ahmad Ali Al Subousi, who is a Dubai businessman, and I’m delighted to have him and delighted he sent the horse to us. Hopefully it’s onwards and upwards now and while I didn’t think past today, I’d say six is no problem and we’d love to go to Ascot in June. Wherever we go before then, I think he is good enough.”

Added McStay to the TDN, “Noche Magica was a very easy horse to pick as a yearling—he was very much a standout from the moment I saw him. He is a good blend of his sire, grandsire and damsire. The Dubawi (Ire) line, the Dubawi shape, that came through. Night Of Thunder was complemented by the little bit of length that Acclamation (GB) sometimes adds.

“He had good size and good scope. Noche Magica looked like a horse who would make a good 2-year-old, but he also had the scope and the size and the look of a horse that would hopefully make into a 3-year-old in time.

“I’ve been a Night Of Thunder fan from day one. I’ve followed his career closely from my days at Godolphin and Darley. I’ve bred mares to him, I’ve purchased horses by him. I’ve always liked the sire and Noel O’Callaghan and Rob Tierney at Mountarmstrong breed a very nice horse and produce a very nice horse at the sales.

This pedigree goes back to Sandhurst Goddess (Ire) (Sandhurst Prince {Ire}). [Her daughter] Lady Alexander (Ire) (Night Shift), I remember beating King Of Kings (Ire) (Sadler’s Wells) in the Anglesey S. at the Curragh. It is one of the fastest families in the stud book with Dandy Man (Ire) (Mozart {Ire}), who was a very, very fast racehorse and a hugely influential sire when it comes to speed at the centre of the pedigree. You’ve got Mother Earth (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) in the family as well.

“All in all, I thought he was a pretty straightforward horse to select. I thought he was the nicest horse in the Goffs Premier Sale last year. I didn’t write any notes [on his sales page]. He got a tick and a very high grade. Luckily I found a client like Mr. Al Sabousi who was willing to pay for him, because I knew he wasn’t going to be cheap and thankfully we got him.”

The dam, who also has a yearling colt by Starspangledbanner (Aus), is a daughter of the G3 Anglesey S. and G3 Molecomb S. winner Lady Alexander who produced the G3 Palace House S.-winning sire of note Dandy Man who was also runner-up in the King’s Stand S. when it still held Group 2 status at Royal Ascot. Another of her progeny, Anthem Alexander (Ire) by Starspangledbanner took the Royal meeting’s G2 Queen Mary S. as well as finishing third in the fixture’s G1 Commonwealth Cup and second in the G1 Cheveley Park S. Cont. p4
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New ‘TDN Rising Star’ Cont.

This is also the family of the G3 Abernant S. scorer and G1 Prix de l’Abbaye de Longchamp-placed Hamza (Ire) (Amadeus Wolf (GB)) and of Patience Alexander (Ire) (Kodiac (GB)) who after winning the Listed Marygate S. went to Royal Ascot and finished third in the G3 Albany S.

6th-Cork, €16,000, Mdn, 4-8, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.82, s/h.
NOCHE MAGICA (IRE), c, 2, by Night Of Thunder (Ire)
   1st Dam: Pious Alexander (Ire), by Acclamation (GB)
   2nd Dam: Lady Alexander (Ire), by Night Shift
   3rd Dam: Sandhurst Goddess (GB), by Sandhurst Prince (Ire)
Sales history: £230,000 Ylg ’22 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $10,467. Click for for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO.
O-Mohammed Ahmad Ali Al Subousi; B-Mountarmstrong Stud & Alexander Bloodstock (IRE); T-Paddy Twomey.

A Burgeoning Force?

In the nine-furlong G3 Prix la Force, it is the first reckoning of Rouget’s TDN Rising Star Padishakh (Fr) (Wootten Bassett (GB)) who is untried in black-type company but who looked every bit up to scratch in two conditions races here and at Chantilly in September and October. Nurlan Bizakov’s big French hope has his initial encounter with a Ballydoyle runner as the stable continues to spread out its Classic hopefuls. Greenland (Ire) (Saxon Warrior (Jpn)) is the one here and he is rated considerably better than the bare form of his last-of-four effort in the G2 Royal Lodge S. at Newmarket in September. Rouget’s telling time continues in the G3 Prix Vanteaux over the same trip, where Ecurie Billon’s Around Midnight (Fr) (Almanzor (Fr)) re-opposes Sea The Lady (Fr) (Sea The Moon (Ger)) having beaten her in the Listed Criterium de l’Ouest at Craon in September before finishing runner-up in Deauville’s G3 Prix des Reservoirs the following month.

Cont. p5
Top American buyer Miller looking forward to Craven Sale

By Brian Sheerin

Joe Miller, the leading bloodstock advisor and American representative for Tattersalls, has put forward the value on offer in Britain comparable to America as one of the main reasons behind the increasing levels of interest among international buyers getting involved at the Craven Breeze-Up Sale.

A number of top American buyers are reported to be making the trip to Newmarket for the Craven Sale in just over a week's time and Miller, best known in Europe for playing a leading role buying for Red Baron's Barn and Rancho Temescal's racing operation at the horses-in-training sales, is looking forward to returning to the breeze-up scene this month.

"Last year was our first year shopping the Craven Sale and we’re looking forward to going back," Miller said. "It's incredibly difficult to buy the horses that you really like at the breeze-up sales in America. If you don't have two hundred to four hundred thousand dollars to spend, it's hard to even get your hand up.

"My experience of the Craven last year was that, with the horses we bought or even with the horses that we liked but didn't end up buying, you could get a really nice racehorse for much less than you could in America. You can get much better value for your money at the Craven Breeze-Up Sale at Newmarket. If you are shopping at the seventy five thousand to one hundred and fifty thousand mark, you can buy horses that you really like for that money at Tattersalls and you don't have to talk yourself into it either. That's what has really convinced us to go back and do it all again this year."

Miller bought two horses at the Craven Sale last year, both of whom ended up racing for William Jarvis in England. He is hoping to fill a similar brief when he returns to Newmarket for the sale that takes place on April 18 and 19 but revealed that he would be buying for new investors who are commercially-minded.

He explained, "We're going to try and buy a few horses there this year with the view towards leaving them in England to race and they may be sold on in the future. We also might buy a couple of horses with the idea of running them a couple of times and bringing them back to America to run at Del Mar. We're going to be looking to do both of those things. The ship and win bonuses in California is a big plus for us. If you run a time or two outside of California before the Del Mar meet and then you ship in, you run for a substantial purse bonus, so that is very appealing to us. We've done so well with these European grass horses that we said we'd try to source them a little earlier in their careers."

Miller added, "We bought two horses at the sale last year and they ran for William Jarvis. One of the horses was Dandy Man Shines (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), who William did a great job with. He ran third on debut before finishing fourth in a Group 2 and then shipping out to America. I think it's a very good foundation for a horse to get them started in Britain. He wasn't a particularly expensive horse at 105,000gn and we'll be shopping in a similar price range at the Craven.

"This is a completely different venture to the Red Baron's Barn operation. Moving forward, Rancho Temescal is going to be in a racing partnership format with Tim Cohen and myself being the managers but we will also be bringing in some outside investors and will be specifically shopping for racehorses privately and at the Tattersalls horses-in-training sales."  Cont. p6
Joe Miller On The Craven Cont.

Miller added, "We're going to be very active at the sales this year on behalf of the Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners racing venture but shopping at the Craven is a different deal this year. There are different people involved and we will be looking at possibly selling some horses further down the road."

So what do the American buyers look for at the breeze-up sales? The Craven may be billed as the sale where consignors have the opportunity to sell the dream of owning a Royal Ascot two-year-old but, according to Miller, he is hoping to find a horse for the future rather than one who will burn up the track in the early part of the season.

He said, "We are partial to horses by stallions who we have done well with before. But we are just looking for horses with good physicals and ones who we think are going to like firm and fast ground. I'm not too desperate to buy horses who are going to be incredibly precocious and winning in May. I'm looking for horses who will have a future--the ones for further down the road."

JOHANNES BRINGS €62K AT AUCTAV FLASH SALE

TJ Bloodstock snapped up Johannes (Fr) (French Fifteen (Fr)) for €62,000 during Auctav’s April Flash Sale on Friday. Consigned by Mathieu Brasme, the 3-year-old colt is out of a full-sister to stakes winner Joursanvault (Fr) (Verglas (Ire)). Johannes won his only start, at Saumur, by 9 1/2 lengths.

HOW THEY FARED

3.30 Cork, Listed, €42,500, 3yo/up, 6fT
Tenebrism (Caravaggio) made a highly encouraging 4-year-old debut with this fluent listed success and hopes are high that she can make a serious impact in the sprinting division this year.

4.05 Cork, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, 5fT
Alabama (Ire) (No Nay Never), the half-brother to the G1 Phoenix S. and G2 Norfolk S.-winning sire Sioux Nation, ran a respectable race in third to get Ballydoyle’s 2-year-old action underway but met a potentially top-class peer in Noche Magica (Ire) (Night Of Thunder (Ire)).

BRITAIN

Saturday’s Results:
5th-Musselburgh, £8,000, Nov, 4-8, 2yo, 5f 1yT, 1:02.37, g/s.
BALON D’OR (GB) (c, 2, Kodiak (GB)--Usra (Ire) (SP-Ire), by Requinto (Ire)) was hampered at the break, but recovered to race on the front end along the stands’ side rail after the opening skirmishes of this debut. Prominent throughout, the 11-2 chance was bустled along passing the quarter-mile marker and kept on resolutely under late urging to edge Sergeant Wilko (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle (GB)) by a neck. Balon D’Or is the second of three foals and lone scorer for Listed Tipperary S. placegetter Ursa (Ire) (Requinto (Ire)), herself a full-sister to G2 July S. third Broken Stones (Ire). The January-foaled bay, who is half to a yearling filly by Calyx (GB), hails from a family featuring G1 Oaks heroine Intrepidity (GB) (Sadler’s Wells). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $5,364.
O-Ms Diamond & Owen Promotions Ltd; B-Crypto Bloodstock (GB); T-Hugo Palmer.

HANDICAP RESULTS:
4th-Musselburgh, £100,000, Hcp, 4-8, 4yo/up, 13f 216yT, 3:06.42, g/s.
WISE EAGLE (IRE) (g, 6, Free Eagle (Ire)--Best Be Careful (Ire), by Exceed And Excel (Aus)) Lifetime Record: 30-12-4-0, $177,383. O-The Seahouses Syndicate; B-John Costello & Irish National Stud (IRE); T-Adam Nicol. *25,000gns Wlg ’17 TATFOA; €20,000 RNA Ylg ’18 TIRSEP; £20,000 2yo ‘19 TATABR; 7,000gns 3yo ’20 TATAHI.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:
Centrefold (GB), f, 3, Showcasing (GB)--Lelevigne (GB), by Redoute’s Choice (Aus). Wolverhampton, 4-8, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:29.08. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $7,147. B-Highclere Stud & HMH Management (GB). *240,000gns Ylg ’21 TATOCT.
IRELAND

Saturday’s Results:

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF CORK S.-Listed.** €42,500, Cork, 4-8, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:17.77, s/h.

1--TENEBRISM, 135, f, 4, Caravaggio--Immortal Verse (Ire) (G1SW-Eng, G1SW-Fr, $1,053,873), by Pivotal (GB). TDN Rising Star. O-Westernberg, Coolmore, Merriahne Stables; B-Merriabne Stables & Orpendale/Chelston/Wynnott (KY); T-Aidan O’Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €25,500. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Eng & Fr, G1SP-Ire, 10-4-1-1, $654,856. *1/2 to Statuette (Justify), GSW-Ire.

2--Wodao (Fr), 127, c, 3, Showcasing (GB)--Dadao (GB), by Intello (Ger). (€150,000 Wlg ‘20 ARDEC; €260,000 Ylg ‘21 GOFOR). O-Atlantic Thoroughbreds; B-SCEA Elevage d’Yllome (FR); T-Donnach O’Brien. €8,500.

3--Pretty Rebel (Ire), 130, m, 6, Gutaifan (Ire)--La Chassotte (Fr), by Until Sundown. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Lance Bloodstock Limited; B-Lance Bloodstock (IRE); T-Darren Bunyan. €4,250. Margins: 1 3/4, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.10, 10.00, 33.00.

Also Ran: Clever And Cool (Ire), Moss Tucker (Ire), Lovely Mana (Ire), Saliteh (GB), My Eyes Adore You (Ire), Wave Machine (Fr).

With her sights set firmly on sprinting in 2023, TDN Rising Star Tenebrism issued an early warning to that brigade with this smooth comeback win. Keen initially for Ryan Moore, the bay Tenebrism, whose impressive resume also includes a second in the G1 Prix Rothschild and a third in the G1 Matron S., is headed by GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf hero Line Of Duty (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). The March-foaled chestnut is kin to a yearling filly by New Bay (GB). Sales history: 100,000gns Ylg ‘21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $8,663.

O-Craig Bernick, Cayton Park Stud & Mrs Paul Shanahan; B-Joe Banahan, Edel Banahan & Micheal Smith (IRE); T-Fozzy Stack.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Something Nice (Ire), g, 3, Estidhkaaar (Ire)–Nicotina (GB), by Azamour (Ire).** Cork, 4-8, 7fT, 1:32.91. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, $14,723. B-Thomastown Farm Ltd (IRE).

**Pineapple Island (Ire), f, 4, Dandy Man (Ire)–L’Ambre Gris (Ire), by Ifraaj (GB).** Cork, 4-8, 5fT, 1:03.86. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $9,813. B-L’Ambre Gris Syndicate (IRE).

FRANCE

**3rd-Bordeaux-Le Bouscat, €21,000, Mdn, 4-8, unraced 3yo, 9 1/2fT, 2:08.65, g/s.**

**ALMANZORA (FR) (f, 3, Almanzar (Fr)–Lozoya (Fr), by Declaration Of War)** broke well from the outside stall and was reined back to settle off the pace in eighth through the halfway mark of this debut. **Cont. p8**
3rd-Bordeaux-Le Bouscat Cont.

Fanning wide off the home turn, the 23-10 favourite made relentless headway in the straight to challenge passing the furlong marker and kept on well in the latter stages to deny Amalfina (Fr) (U S Navy Flag) by a half-length. Almanzora is the first of two foals produced by a winning granddaughter of G1 Cheveley Park S.-winning European champion Pas De Reponse (Danzig), herself kin to MG1SW sire Green Tune (Green Dancer). The February-foaled bay is half to a 2-year-old colt by Ruler Of The World (Ire). Sales history: Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Ecurie Antonio Caro & Free Man Racing; B-Ecurie Ades Hazan, Philip Mosbeux & Mlle Karine Morice (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

4th-Lyon-la-Soie, €21,000, Mdn, 4-8, 3yo, 2150m (AWT), 2:17.69, st.

NIGHT OASIS (GB) (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Ninfea {Ger} {SP-Ger}, by Selkirk), last of 10 on an inauspicious 7 1/2-furlong debut at Saint-Cloud on Halloween, raced in fourth early. Needing every yard of the trip to get to Mona Trezy (Fr) (It’s Gino {Ger}), the 13-1 shot caught that rival in the shade of the post to prevail by a short head. The first two foals out of the listed-placed dam were Nayala (GB) (Maxios {GB}), who also earned black-type at that level, and Nemean Lion (Ger) (Golden Horn {GB}) who was second in the G2 Prix Chaudenay. Also set to be represented by a 2-year-old colt by Nathaniel (Ire) and a yearling filly by Kameko, she is out of the G3 Preis der Winterkonigin winner Night Lagoon (Ger) (Lagunas {GB}) and is therefore a half to the G1 King George, G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and G1 Grosser Preis von Baden hero Novellist (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) and last year’s G1 Irish Oaks and G2 Ribblesdale S. heroine Magical Lagoon (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, Video, sponsored by TVG.

O/B-Dr Christoph Berglar (GB); T-Waldemar Hickst.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:
2nd-Lyon La Soie, €38,000, Cond, 4-8, 4yo/up, 9f (AWT), 1:49.10, st.

GLAER (GB) (g, 6, Siyouni {Fr})--Glorious Sight {Ire} {SW & MG1SP-Fr, $430,401}, by Singspiel (Ire)) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 15-7-3-1, €107,260. O/B-SCEA Haras de Saint Pair (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *1/2 to Glycon (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), MGSW & G1SP-Fr, $379,856.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:
6th-Lyon-la-Soie, €22,000, 4-8, 3yo, 9f (AWT), 1:55.89, st.

ADDITONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Caliyza (Fr), f, 3, Le Havre (Ire)--Calayana (Fr) (GSP-Fr), by Sinndar (Ire). Nancy, 4-8, 12 1/2fT, 2:52.66. B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (FR).

IN AUSTRALIA:
White Marlin (Ire), 6, 5, Mastercraftsman (Ire)--Playwithmyheart (GB), by Diktat (GB). Sandown, 4-8, G3 Easter Cup, 2100mT, 2:15.65. O-Acjc Sydney (Mgr: D You), Ronnies Racing (Mgr: M B E Moore), R McClure, A McClure, D Hoggett, Y Bhoola, K McColgan, T Pender, R Cocks, Mrs M McLuckie, B T W McLuckie, Ms S Marshall, W Gabbert, Punter Valley (Mgr: C March), J Simmons, Mrs V Anderson, M Forsdick & B Hastie; B-Ms Morna McDowall (Ire); T-G Waterhouse & A Bott. *145,000gns RNA ‘22 TATFEB. **1/2 to Romantic Proposal (Ire) (Raven’s Pass), Hwt. Older Mare-Eur at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 5-7f, G1SW-Ire, $398,508.


WORLDWIDE NEWS

DUBAI HONOUR TAKES QUEEN ELIZABETH, AS HAGGAS MULLS AUSTRALIAN SATELLITE YARD

Mohamed Obaida’s Dubai Honour (Ire) (Pride Of Dubai (Aus)) defeated dual Group 1 scorer Mo‘unga (NZ) (Savabeel (Aus)) and nine-time Group 1 winner Anamoe (Aus) (Street Boss) to win the G1 Queen Elizabeth S. at Randwick during the second weekend of The Championships on Saturday. Cont. p9
Dubai Honour Cont.

The William Haggas trainee claimed the G1 Ranvet S. at Rosehill in March, and his two top-level victories have his trainer feeling “pretty keen” to add an Australian satellite yard to his operation.

Haggas, who would likely share the base with Andrew Balding according to Australian reports, told Sky Racing World, “[Balding] He’s very keen and I’m pretty keen so we’ll see what happens.

“Anamoe is a great horse, take nothing away from him. But this horse has come forward for being here and he’s won well today. Don’t underestimate him. He’s a pretty good horse and he was never quite right last year and he was boxing against some good horses--top, top horses.”

The 5-year-old gelding, who won a brace of Group 2s in 2021, was reunited with regular pilot Tom Marquand, who pulled off the Ranvet/Queen Elizabeth double with the Haggas-trained Addeybb (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) in 2020. That gelding would repeat the latter in 2021, again with Marquand in the irons.

Marquand said, “For the boss to target the Queen Elizabeth with another horse and pull it off, it’s just insane.

“Genuinely, I’ve jumped aboard this horse on the right day at the right time and it’s everyone else behind it that got the job done. All I had to do was point and shoot.”

Another international race, the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Sha Tin in Hong Kong, is one of the probable targets for Dubai Honour on Apr. 30.

Saturday, Hanshin, Japan

SANKEISPORTS HAI HANSHIN HIMBA S.-G2, ¥106,000,000, Hanshin, 4-8, 4yo/up, f/m, 1600mT, 1:33.90, gd.

1--SOUND VIVACE (Jpn), 121, f, 4, Duramente (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Scoubidou (Ger) (Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ity, GSW-Ity, SW & GSP-Ger, $175,340), by Johan Cruyff (GB)
   2nd Dam: Simply Red (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB)
   3rd Dam: Schalmai (Ger), by Nebos (Ger)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Yuichi Masuda; B-Mishima Bokujo (Jpn); T-Daisuke Takayanagi; J-Suguru Hamanaka ¥55,840,000. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-0, ¥98,445,000. *1/2 to Princess Moon (Jpn) (Admire Moon {Jpn}), GSP-Jpn, $1,031,651; and Meisho Meigetsu (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), SP-Jpn, $613,160. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: D. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Sublime Anthem (Jpn), 121, f, 4, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)--Pastophoria (Jpn), by Symboli Kris S. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥22,240,000.

3--Costa Bonita (Jpn), 121, f, 4, Isla Bonita (Jpn)--Lady Ying (Fr), by Kendor (Fr). 1ST BLACK TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Tatsuo Tanikake; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥14,120,000. Margins: 1 1/4, NK, NK. Odds: 12.80, 42.00, 38.80. Also Ran: Win Charlotte (Jpn), Andvaranaut (Jpn), Rouge Stiria (Jpn), Ten Happy Rose (Jpn), Phrase d’Armes (Jpn), Mama Cocha (Jpn), Izu Jo no Kiseki (Jpn), Pin High (Jpn), Divina (Jpn).

Click for the JRA chart & video.

Saturday, Nakayama, Japan

NEW ZEALAND TROPHY-G2, ¥105,120,000, Nakayama, 4-8, 3yo, c/f, 1600mT, 1:33.70, gd.

1--EEYAN (JPN), 123, c, 3, Silver State (Jpn)
   1st Dam: Silk Venus (Jpn), by Timber Country
   2nd Dam: Silk Flare, by Danzig
   3rd Dam: Jet Route, by Alydar

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Nissin Holdings; B-Suzaki Farm (Jpn); T-Daishi Ito; J-Mirco Demuro; ¥55,134,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, ¥70,754,000. *1/2 to Pray And Real (Jpn) (Durandal {Jpn}), GSW-Jpn, $552,453; and Kaito Genie (Jpn) (Curren Black Hill {Jpn}), SP-Jpn, $404,927. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: C+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

2--Umbrail (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)--L’Archetto (Jpn), by Falbrav (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥22,324,000.

3--Champagne Color (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Duramente (Jpn)--Memorial Life (GB), by Reckless Abandon (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Yoichi Aoyama; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥14,162,000. Margins: 1 1/4, NK, HD. Odds: 4.20, 12.70, 21.60. Also Ran: Maryana (Jpn), Mississippi Tesoro (Jpn), Rumino Meteore (Jpn), Dolce More (Jpn), Make A Snatch (Jpn), Bagradas (Jpn), Miss Yokohama (Jpn), Omatsuri Otoko (Jpn), Sunrise Sieg (Jpn), Lord Deafte (Jpn).

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### Sunday, Hanshin, Japan, post time: 3:40 p.m.

**OKA SHO (JAPANESE 1000 GUINEAS)-G1, ¥304,020,000, 3yo, f, 1600m T**

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### Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France, post time: 17:00

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DUBAI HONOUR RAINS ON ANAMOE’S PARADE

by Keely McKitterick

It was billed as the race of the autumn and it delivered the fireworks. Not the result the Australians would have hoped, but the William Haggas-trained Dubai Honour (Ire) (Pride Of Dubai) outclassed Godolphin's Anamoe (Street Boss {USA}) in what was penned as his Australian swansong—the G1 Queen Elizabeth S.

Haggas was again teaming up with Tom Marquand, the British raiders having upset Verry Elleegant (NZ) (Zed {NZ}) in the same race in both 2020 and 2021 with the great Addeybb (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}).

Dubai Honour looked to be going up and down in the same spot for a stride or two entering the straight, while McDonald looked to be cruising. As they topped the straight Anamoe always within reach for Dubai Honour and, now full of steam, engaged in a head-to-head battle for a few strides before coasting away to write another chapter in the G1 Queen Elizabeth S.

The son of the Australian-bred Pride Of Dubai pulled away to win by 2.45l from an again Group 1-placed Mo'unga (NZ) (Savabeel) with Anamoe 0.01l away in third. Anamoe, like the great Octagonal (NZ) and his champion son Lonhro, who were both upstaged in their swansongs in this very race, and will have lost few admirers in defeat.

Back up his G1 Ranvet S. victory, Dubai Honour’s best European performances saw him win two Group 2s in France and place second in the G1 Champion S. at Ascot at the end of his 2021 Northern Hemisphere season. However, he’d failed to hit the same form throughout 2022.

“He (Dubai Honour) relaxed well, and I knew he could pick up well, Anamoe is a great horse but make no mistake our horse has taken a lot of benefit from being here,” said Haggas.

“Don’t underestimate him, he was never quite right last year, it was a good race and he’s a good horse.”

Marquand added, “It feels a bit surreal, only feels like yesterday when I fell and I was in hospital wondering if I would be here riding this chap.

“I haven’t had a chance to sit on him much until today. It was the team that had done all the hard work behind the scenes, all I had to do was point and shoot.”

Pedigree Notes

Bred by Macha Bloodstock/Meridian International and purchased by Rabbah Bloodstock for 110,000gns (AU$215,000) at the 2019 Tattersalls October Yearling Sale, Dubai Honour is part of a great recent run for his Coolmore Stud-based sire. One of his 18 stakes winners and two Group 1 winners, Dubai Honour is out of the unraced Mondelice (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}) whose G3 Prix Daphnis-winning half-brother Last Kingdom (USA) stands at Kooringal Stud.

Interestingly 10 of those 18 stakes winners, Dubai Honour included, are out of mares either from the Sadler’s Wells (USA) sireline or carrying a strain of that great stallion.

Mondelice is a granddaughter of the Irish Champion 2-Year-Old Filly Damson (Ire) (Entrepreneur {GB}) whose nine winners include the dual-Group-winning stallion Requinto (Ire).

Dubai Honour carries crosses of the influential mares Natalma (USA) (Native Dancer {USA}), Almahmoud (USA) (Mahmoud {Fr}) and Lalun (USA) (Djeddah {Fr}).

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia

QUEEN ELIZABETH S.-G1, $5,000,000, ATC, 4-08, 3yo/up, Open Weight For Age, 2000mT, 2:07.72, sf.

1--DUBAI HONOUR (IRE), 59.0, g, 5, by Pride of Dubai 1st Dam: Mondelice (GB), by Montjeu (Ire)
2nd Dam: Compelling (Ire), by Kingmambo (USA)
3rd Dam: Damson (Ire), by Entrepreneur (GB)

O-M Obaida; B-Macha Bloodstock Ltd & Meridian International (Ire); T-W J Haggas; J-T Marquand; A$3,064,500. Lifetime Record:, G1SP-Eng, MGSW-Fr. 17-6-4-0, A$5,306,181. Werk Nick Rating: A+++.
ATISHU SOARS TO NEW HEIGHTS

Although they had a short hiatus when the Irish-bred Dubai Honour claimed the feature, the Kiwis were back to the fore when Atishu (NZ) (Savabeel) made amends with a stirring victory in the $1 million G1 Queen of the Turf S. over 1600 metres.

The Chris Waller-trained 5-year-old mare had previously won the G2 Matriarch S. and the G3 Bill Ritchie H. alongside two Listed victories in New Zealand, and she made her first victory at Group 1 level a demolition job.

With Nash Rawiller aboard, the daughter of Savabeel won by an official margin of 2.49l from Hope In Your Heart (Dundeel {NZ}) with the outsider More Secrets (More Than Ready {USA}) running a huge race to finish third 0.53l.

Champion Trainer Chris Waller, who was adding a 10th Group 1 to his seasonal tally, commented: “She went to another level. It is well-deserved for this mare; she has been a late developer.

“I learnt a lot about her last start and I knew she was ready to improve,” added her jockey, Nash Rawiller. “I was full of confidence, I was a little bit concerned though when I hit the front so far from home, it is a long straight, Randwick, but I knew she would find for me.”

Pedigree Notes

Atishu became the 31st Group 1 winner for Waikato Stud’s Savabeel. The eight-time Champion Sire in New Zealand stood for a private fee in 2022, having stood the 2021 season for NZ$100,000 (plus GST). A 2023 fee has yet to be announced for Savabeel.

Bred on a 4 X 4 cross of Nureyev (USA), Atishu is a well-named daughter of the two-time-winning No Excuse Needed (GB) mare Posy (NZ), sister to the NZ Champion 3-Year-Old Daffodil (NZ) whose three wins at Group 1 level include the AJC Oaks.

Served last spring by Noverre (NZ) with her most recent foal being her 2020 Savabeel filly, who is yet to be named. Posy is also dam of the G3 Desert Gold S. winner Mazzolino (NZ)--also by Savabeel.

The G1 NZ 2000 Guineas Aegon (NZ) (Sacred Falls {NZ}) also hails from this family, one which has as its ancestress the high-class UK broodmare Felucca (GB) (Nearco {Ity}).

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia

QUEEN OF THE TURF S.-G1, A$1,000,000, ATC, 4-08, 3yo/up, f/m, 1600mT, 1:38.22, sf.

1--ATISHU (NZ), 57.0, m, 5, by Savabeel

1ST GROUP 1 WIN.

1st Dam: Posy (NZ), by No Excuse Needed (GB)
2nd Dam: Spring (NZ), by O’Reilly (NZ)
3rd Dam: Head of the River (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB)

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. ($260,000 Ylg ’19 NZBJAN). O-A J A Bosma, Mrs P J Clark, G R Williamson, Mrs C E Young, J B Young, K T Gibbons, D J Pescini, G P Scully, Mrs J P Scully, Dr P H Mitchell, R Satherley, Ms C A Lorre, Ms L T Murphy, R Noble, G F Walling, J C Macdonald, D J Shuker, A Howard, A J Cadigan & J B Williams; B-Waikato Stud Ltd, Waikato (NZ); T-C J Waller; J-N Rawiller; A$694,500. Lifetime Record: MSW-NZ, 30-8-4-6, A$1,622,733. *Full to Mazzolino (NZ) (Savabeel {NZ}), GSW-NZ.

Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Hope in Your Heart, 57.0, m, 4, Dundeel (NZ)--Hayaat, by Montjeu (Ire). 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. O-Mrs D R Illes & A Illes; B-Mr A Illes (NSW); T-K J Parker; J-Tim Clark; A$190,000.

3--More Secrets, 57.0, m, 5, More Than Ready (USA)--Secret Indulgence (NZ), by Fastnet Rock. 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.
O-Werrett Bloodstock Pty Ltd (Mgr: N R J Werrett), Mrs P A Hawkes, C H Madden, Mrs J G Madden, D M Taylor, Mrs J Taylor & Dr A L Attebo; B-Mr NJR Werrett (NSW); T-M, W & J Hawkes; J-Zac Lloyd; A$96,000.
Margins: 2HF, HF, NK. Odds: 9.00, 4.00, 100.00
Also Ran: Hinged, Promise of Success (GB), Levante (NZ), Times Square (Fr), Bring the Ransoms, Pride of Jenni, Alcohol Free (Ire), Roots, Excelida, Sirileo Miss, Statement (Ire), Purplepay (Fr), Finepoint. Click for the Racing Australia chart. VIDEO.

KIWI DOMINATION CONTINUES IN AUSTRALIAN OAKS

The 2023 G1 Australian Oaks on Saturday at Royal Randwick promised to be one of the highlights on the card and it more than delivered.

Whilst Pennyweka (NZ) (Satono Aladdin {Jpn}) was a last-start winner of the G1 New Zealand Oaks, some form gurus questioned the strength of that race. But it meant little at the end of the 2400-metre journey when the Royal Randwick stands erupted with the cheers from the filly’s huge ownership group, The Galloping Wekas Jazweka.

The star Jim Wallace-trained 3-year-old drew away at the top of the Randwick straight and with a sustained staying performance held the fellow New Zealand-bred So Dazzling (NZ) (So You Think {NZ}) by 1.7l at the line, with Premise (NZ) (Contributer {Ire}) 3.06l away in third. The first Australian-bred across the line was the G1 Golden Slipper winner Fireburn (Rebel Dane) in fourth.

“I was convinced after the New Zealand Oaks she would be in the paddock,” an emotional Wallace said after the race. “However, she showed me on the Monday following the Oaks when she trotted up and the girl who rides her all the time said she feels better today than she did last week. So, we thought oh well, let’s give it a go.

“First time away from home and she travelled like an old marvel, she’s absolutely unbelievable.

“There’s 70 owners involved including my sister and brother, 40 have made it to Randwick.”

It also proved a landmark win for interstate jockey Damian Lane, who made back-to-back Oaks victories after guiding El Patroness (Shamus Award) in the 2022 version of the race.

Pedigree Notes

The Kiwis know how to breed an Oaks winner, and Pennyweka joins a list of which includes such stars as the champion Verry Elleegant (NZ) (Zed {NZ}), Bonneval (NZ) (Makfi {GB}) and Surround (NZ) (Sovereign Edition {Ire}).

Pennyweka’s victory also continues a fabulous season for Rich Hill Stud’s Satono Aladdin (Jpn), who stood the 2022 season at NZ$12,500 (plus GST). His 2023 fee is yet to be announced.

Her dam is the unraced Threepence (NZ) (Pentire {GB}) whose other two runners are also winners including the multiple city-winning, South Australian-based galloper Lord Bouzeron (NZ) (Burgundy {NZ}).

Due to have foaled to Time Test (GB) last spring (slipping to him the previous season after foaling a colt by him in 2020), Threepence is a half-sister to the durable G1 Auckland Cup winner Titch (NZ) (Lord Ballina) who managed another 17 wins.

This is a family of winners; Threepence is also a half-sister to the stakes-placed Soph (NZ) (Lord Ballina) who won 10 races and to the stakes-placed Streets Away (NZ) (Street Cry {Ire}) who was victorious on 11 occasions.

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia
AUSTRALIAN OAKS-G1, A$1,000,000, ATC, 4-08, 3yo, f, Open Set, 2400mT, 2:33.97, sf.
1--PENNYWEKA (NZ), 56.0, f, 3, by Satono Aladdin (Jpn)
1st Dam: Threepence (NZ), by Pentire (GB)
2nd Dam: Our Sophie (NZ), by Kaapstad (NZ)
3rd Dam: Skip (NZ), by English Harbour (GB)
O-The Galloping Wekas Jazweka Syndicate; B-J V & L D Wallace, Central (NZ); T-J V Wallace; J-Damian Lane; A$694,500. Lifetime Record: G1SW-NZ, 10-3-1-3, A$1,003,749.
Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.

2--So Dazzling (NZ), 56.0, f, 3, by Satono Aladdin (Jpn)
1st Dam: Threepence (NZ), by Pentire (GB)
2nd Dam: Our Sophie (NZ), by Kaapstad (NZ)
3rd Dam: Skip (NZ), by English Harbour (GB)
O-The Galloping Wekas Jazweka Syndicate; B-J V & L D Wallace, Central (NZ); T-J V Wallace; J-Damian Lane; A$694,500. Lifetime Record: G1SW-NZ, 10-3-1-3, A$1,003,749.
Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.
Canterbury (NZ); T-J G Sargent; J-J Moreira; A$190,000.
3--Premise (NZ), 56.0, f, 3, Contributor (Ire)--Sharp Proposition (NZ), by Guillotine (NZ). 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. ($90,000 2YO '21 NZBNOV). O-Matrix Racing (Mgr: M Crismale), Bci Racing (Mgr: B Crismale), P Duncan, P Paradise, B Mahon, Healey Bloodstock (Mgr: D Healey), R Charley, Mrs C Dooner, Mrs M Bailey, M Clarkson, J Yeldham, A Rowley-Bates, S Baldwin, G Fraser, Postman Racing (Mgr: P O’Connor) & Chateau Marmont (Mgr: Ms J Ward); B-Simms Davison, Waikato (NZ); T-J A O’Shea; J-T Marquand; A$96,000.
Margins: 1 3/4, 3, SHD.
Odds: 4.00, 19.00, 16.00.
Also Ran: Fireburn, Arts, Fay’s Angels, Pavitra, Frankie’s Me Dad, Soul Choice, Polygon (NZ), Stormy Witness, Byron Belle, Jolted, Mountain Guest, Pierossa. Click for the Racing Australia chart.

VIDEO.

EXPLOSIVE IN THE SYDNEY CUP
The New Zealand-breds struck again in the $2 million G1 Sydney Cup (3200 metres) when Explosive Jack (NZ) (Jakkalberry {Ire}) regained his best form to take the staying contest from an international field.

The Ciaron Maher and David Eustace-trained 5-year-old gelding, with apprentice Dylan Gibbons aboard riding his first Group 1 winner, won by 0.83l from an admirable True Marvel (Fr) (Masked Marvel {GB}). Last year’s G1 Sydney Cup winner Knights Order (Ire) (So You Think (NZ)) was 1.23l further back in third.

It was the return of the ‘Jack’ of old for the son of Jakkalberry (Ire) who enjoyed a brilliant 3-year-old season claiming the G1 Australian Derby, the G1 South Australian Derby and the Listed Tasmanian Derby prior to being narrowly beaten in the G1 Queensland Derby.

Some hiccups and injuries saw Explosive Jack lose the form that carried him to such a memorable campaign, but he recaptured his best form to make his own piece of history, joining a very small group of horses to win multiple Derbys and a Cup race.

“This has been the plan all along for Explosive Jack, he sustained an injury from the Melbourne Cup, but this was the race to have him spot on,” co-trainer David Eustace said. “He’s not fast but he can stay.”

Pedigree Notes
Explosive Jack was a NZ$100,000 yearling purchase by Moody Racing from Novara Park from the 2019 New Zealand Bloodstock Karaka Yearling Sale.

Explosive Jack is out of the Listed Castletown S. winner Extra Explosive (NZ) (Ekraar {USA}) whose stakes-placed dam Explosive (NZ) (Exploding Prospect {USA}) is also grandam of the G1 New Zealand Derby winner Vin de Dance (NZ) (Roc De Cambes {NZ}).

Served last spring by Staphanos (Jpn), Extra Explosive lost her previous foal with her most recent being her 2021 Staphanos colt. She also has a 2-year-old by that stallion - Eruptive Force (NZ) in the Chris Waller stable.

Saturday, Royal Randwick, Australia
SYDNEY CUP-G1, A$2,000,000, ATC, 4-08, 3yo/up, Open Handicap, 3200mT, 3:26.91, sf.
1--EXPLOSIVE JACK (NZ), 52.5, g, 5, by Jakkalberry (Ire)
1st Dam: Extra Explosive (NZ) (SW-NZ), by Ekraar (USA)
2nd Dam: Explosive (NZ), by Exploding Prospect (USA)
3rd Dam: Tina’s Spirit, by Beau Ghost (AUS)

2--True Marvel (Fr), 50.0, g, 7, Masked Marvel (GB)--Anecdotique (Fr), by Enrique (GB). 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. ($15,000 Ylg ’17 OSASEP) O-C J Dunn, P G Davis, N Susay, R S Wallace, Team Honkers (Mgr: J Bird), S Kendall, Darby Racing Anecdotique (Mgr: S G Darby), J D Ellen, S Long, B icycle, C R Fisher & Ms V N Fisher; B-Didier Blot (Fr); T-Matthew Smith; J-Ms K O’Hara; A$380,000.

3--Knights Order (Ire), 56.5, g, 8, So You Think (NZ)--Lamanka Lass (USA), by Woodman (USA). (€5,000 Ylg ’16 GOFFEB;
Belclare and Sam Spratt

Belclare (NZ) (Per Incanto {USA}) blitzed her rivals in the G1 New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders’ S. over 1600 metres at Pukekohe on Saturday. The 5-year-old mare was last seen finishing unplaced in the G3 Cuddle S. at Trentham, but Latta put that down to the tricky Slow 7 track that day.

Back on her preferred Good 4 surface for the last Group 1 event of the New Zealand 2022/23 racing season, Belclare relished the firmer going in the hands of rider Sam Spratt.

Spratt asked the daughter of Per Incanto (USA) for an effort turning for home and Belclare shot away from her rivals and never looked like being caught as she coasted home by 3l to the good of the 3-year-old Waikato filly Skew Wiff (NZ) (Savabeel) with Our Alley Cat (NZ) (Atlante) claiming third.

“It has been a fantastic summer,” Latta said. “She had worked an absolute treat and the track was just too wet for her last start.”

Pedigree Notes

Belclare becomes the seventh Group 1 winner for Per Incanto. The son of Street Cry (Ire) stands at Little Avondale Stud in New Zealand and was available for NZ$50,000 (plus GST) in 2022. A 2023 fee is yet to be announced.

One of the 27 stakes winners (and the seventh Group 1 winner) for her Little Avondale Stud-based sire, the DK Woodhouse homebred is the third foal produced by the winner Miss Rhythmic (NZ) (O’Reilly (NZ)) whose grandam is the G1 New Zealand 1000 Guineas winner Olga’s Pal (NZ) (Straight Strike {USA}).

Olga’s Pal produced nine winners from her 12 foals to race, her best being the G2 Tulloch S. winner Zareyev (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}). She is also grandam of the G1 VRC Oaks heroine Kirramosa (NZ) (Alamosa {NZ}) and the G2 WA Guineas winner Cape North (NZ) (Cape Cross {Ire}).

Again served by Per Incanto (USA) last spring, Miss Rhythmic had the previous season off with her most recent foals being a Time Test (GB) yearling filly and a yet to be named 3-year-old full brother to Belclare.
Saturday, Pukekohe Park, New Zealand
NEW ZEALAND THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS S.-G1, NZ$300,000, Auckland TR, 4-08, f/m. Open, 1600mT, 1:35.08, dd.
1--BELCLARE, 57.0, m, 5, by Per Incanto (USA)
   1st Dam: Miss Rhythmic, by O'Reilly
   2nd Dam: Gymnast, by Keeper (AUS)
   3rd Dam: Olga's Pal, by Straight Strike (USA)
1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-D K Woodhouse, O-Smith, Rusties Syndicate & J Clark; B-D K Woodhouse, Central (NZ); T-Ms L Latta; J-S C Spratt; NZ$172,500. Lifetime Record: 27-9-5-0, NZ$418,400. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Arion.co.nz catalogue-style pedigree.
3--Our Alley Cat, 57.0, m, 6, Atlante (AUS)--Cat Woman, by Scaredee Cat. 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. O-M G & R E Armstrong, M P & Mrs V A Prendergast; B-Mrs R E Armstrong, Waikato (NZ); T-V A Prendergast; J-T D Thornton; NZ$27,000. Margins: 3, 3/4, HF. Odds: 21.10, 6.40, 54.00. Also Ran: Pearl of Alsace, Karman Line, Aromatic, Tevere, Les Crayeres, Le Sablier, Clever Ruds, Mazzolino, Mustang Valley, DragonQueen, Cool Change, Oseleta (AUS), Bad 'n' Bouj (AUS). Click for the NZ Racing chart. VIDEO.