NEW VENTURE TO BRING TEAM CONCEPT TO HORSE RACING, WILL LAUNCH LABOR DAY WEEKEND

$1-MILLION ARROGATE FILLY PACES STRONG MIDLANTIC SALE by Jessica Martini

TIMONIUM, MD - With a $1-million filly leading the way, the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale concluded its two-day run at the Maryland State Fairgrounds with statistics close to its record-setting 2022 renewal.

“It was a great two days in Maryland,” Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Sales Director Paget Bennett said Tuesday evening. “There was plenty of competition for the horses people wanted. The ones they want, they all go to battle on.”

At the end of Tuesday’s session, 375 head sold for $34,795,500. The average was $92,788—down just 2.7% from last year’s record figure of $95,391. The median was up 6.4% to $50,000.

The difference in figures was almost entirely attributable to last year’s sale-record-setting $3.55-million topper, which pushed the auction to its highest-ever gross of $37,297,700.

“We almost matched the [record] gross, but last year, we had a $3.55-million horse,” Bennett said. “That was kind of what we were missing this year. So we are very happy with the results.”

From a catalogue of 603, 437 horses went through the ring. With 62 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 14.2%. It was 18.9% a year ago. Cont. p5

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POTENTIAL FOR ANOTHER DOUBLE TRIPLE CROWN LIKELY IN JAPAN

Emma Berry provides a Japanese Classic snapshot ahead of Sunday’s G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby).

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$385,000 filly

Highest price by a freshman Tuesday at Timonium.

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COLLMUS TO CALL PENN MILE

Larry Collmus will be behind the microphone on GII Penn Mile Night at Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course on Friday, June 2.
That doesn’t exist in horse racing, a sport where your rooting interest changes from race to race with each bet you make. So what if racing could adopt the team concept? Will that help grow the sport? Lane and Daugherty believe that it will, and that’s why they have created the National Thoroughbred League (NTL). Ready to launch on Sept. 2, the league will consist of six teams representing six cities.

League races will take place on five weekends, points will be accrued in the races and the team that has the most points when the season ends on Dec. 31 at Tampa Bay Downs will win $1 million.

“The idea is to take what works in pretty much every other sport,” Lane said. “Why not take that and bring it to this great sport, horse racing? It is America’s original spectator sport. We’re going to create team affinities. There are Yankees fans, Cowboys fans. You love your team and you love the players, the new ones and the returning players. People love those teams because they represent their cities. We want to do the same for horse racing.”

The NTL has already attracted an impressive list of investors. Team owners will include rappers Nelly and Rick Ross, NFL star Kayvan Thibodeux, the NBA’s Danny Green and retired basketball player Baron Davis. Steve Asmussen, Chad Brown, Mike Smith and Chantal Sutherland have also signed on to be part of the project. Tom Ludt, the former chairman of the Breeders’ Cup, has been hired as the league’s President of Horse...
“He could be anything ...”

ALOHA WEST

Hard Spun – Island Bound, by Speightstown

G1 Breeders’ Cup Sprint

... when Ben Glass says he was a “monster” at two,
I listen ... speed matters and he has speed and a pedigree blend led by Speightstown.

He has every chance and a great price point of $10,000.”

— Pat Costello
Operations.

The six teams will represent New York, Los Angeles, New Jersey, Seattle, Nashville and Philadelphia. Each team will have a name, a logo and specific silks that will be their uniform. The teams will each consist of six horses. All horses will be owned by the league. They will be assigned to their teams based on a draft, not unlike the ones that take place in other sports.

It will be up to Ludt to find the horses. He said that he will soon start the process of buying 36 horses and will be talking to bloodstock agents to see what is available. Each team will consist of six horses. He said he will use various avenues to find the horses and will aim to make sure they are relatively evenly matched so that the races are competitive.

“T’m going to try to buy 36 horses that would be in that high allowance, small stakes level,” he said. “We’re using tools and parameters, like Ragozin and Beyer numbers, to make sure the horses are evenly matched. We want to create competitive fields. We’ll try our best to make sure the horses are at the same level.”

The NTL horses will not be allowed to run in non-NTL races. If more horses are needed due to attrition, they can be acquired through a supplemental draft. The horses will remain members of their team as long as they stay sound and are able to be competitive in the NTL races. Ludt said that for the first year, most of the races will be sprints.

The series will start on Sept. 2 at Kentucky Downs, which will represent the Nashville market. It will then travel to Emerald Downs (Seattle), the Meadowlands (New York and New Jersey) and Los Angeles (Los Alamitos) with the final races held at Tampa Bay Downs. There will be three NTL races held at each venue and they will be spread out over two days. Each race will consist of six horses, one from each team. Points will be awarded to the teams based on where their horses finish.

Randall believes that one of the most appealing aspects of the league concept is that no horse will be retired prematurely to cash in on their value as a sire or broodmare prospect.

“We want to create stars,” he said. “In every other sport, when you become a star you don’t retire. You go on to have an even-higher profile. In racing, when horses become famous they are generally retired because it is in owner’s economic interest to do that. Because our horses are going to be owned by the league, you won’t be able to do that. If we are ever fortunate enough to have a Flightline or an American Pharoah, those horses will race year after year and that will go a long way
toward creating a fan base.”

Ludt said the plan is to expand and he expects more teams to come on board for 2024. He envisions having two divisions, eastern and western conferences.

The NTL is also looking to expand and simplify the wagering menu, where bettors can wager on their team, whether that means in a head-to-head competition with another team, or winning the overall championship.

The NTL team also hopes to bring the type of atmosphere found at racing’s biggest events, like the Breeders’ Cup and the Kentucky Derby, to their racing weekends. They see each racing day as part of a larger festival that will feature food, fashion, parties and concerts. The New York/New Jersey races will include a trackside celebrity chef competition and will partner with the New York City Wine and Food Festival.

“We want to have the same type of atmosphere they have with Formula 1,” Lane said. “The Preakness, the Kentucky Derby, those are incredible weekends. In the case of the Derby, more than 150,000 people enjoyed it. That’s because it’s not just a race, it is weekend-long celebration. Once a month, somewhere in America, we want to have an incredible lifestyle weekend centered around the great sport of Thoroughbred racing.”

It will be a large undertaking and might need time to get established and grow, but Ludt said he believes the NTL will achieve the goals first set forth when Lane and Daugherty met for dinner.

“We’re going to create competitive racing fields, wrapped around a great weekend of entertainment in the city and at the facility,” he said. “This is a concept that is really exciting for an industry that needs that bolt of energy.”

Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May cont. from p1

Bloodstock agent Kerri Radcliffe, bidding on behalf of an undisclosed client, saw off Clay Shearer to land the auction’s top-priced offering, a $1-million daughter of the late champion Arrogate. The sale-topper was consigned by Hartley/de Renzo Thoroughbreds.

Radcliffe was at the top of a broad buying bench, with the top 10 lots purchased by eight different buyers at the auction which last year produced GI Kentucky Derby winner Mage (Good Magic).

“The buyers came from all over,” Bennett said. “Every year, we see new buyers and that’s very rewarding. People know they can get runners here and we proved that the first Saturday in May at Churchill Downs. It’s very exciting for this sale to have the success on the track that we are seeing.”

**Arrogate Filly Sets Off Midlantic Fireworks**

A filly by Arrogate (hip 552), the most hyped horse on the sales grounds all week, delivered in the sales ring Tuesday when selling for $1 million to the bid of bloodstock agent Kerri Radcliffe, acting on behalf of an undisclosed London-based
client. Radcliffe, who did her bidding while seated in the pavilion, secured the chestnut from the consignment of Hartley/de Renzo Thoroughbreds. Clay Shearer was the underbidder.

“She is for my new client,” Radcliffe said of the million-dollar filly. “It’s JDL Capital SARL. I am not going to name the guy, but we’ve got horses now in England and America, mostly in America. I think I’ve bought eight since March. He is based in London. This is more for investment purposes and to have a bit of fun as well. This is his first foray into racing. So let’s hope it’s lucky for him.”

Of plans for the filly, Radcliffe said, “I’m not sure where she will go yet. So, any trainers who want to call me, they can.”

Hip 552 is out of Twixy (Mutakddim) and is a half-sister to multiple stakes winner Twixy Roll (Roll Hennessy Roll) and from the family of GI Breeders’ Cup Dirt Mile winner Caleb’s Posse (Posse).

“To me, she was the star of the sale,” said Radcliffe. “I saw her in January and I saw her in March and April. And I waited for her. I didn’t know I was going to pay that much for her, but it’s a strong sale and the good horses are making the money.”

The sale-topper worked a furlong in a co-bullet :10 flat during last week’s under-tack show.

“She went in :10 and went out in :23 and change,” Radcliffe said of the work. “It doesn’t get much better than that. And obviously, she is the last of the Arrogates, so it’s good to get her.”

Bred by Dale Taylor, Sr., she was purchased by Randy Hartley and Dean de Renzo for $255,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale.

“We bought her in Book 1,” Hartley recalled. “She looked just like she looked today. She’s the same filly, just bigger. The reason I think we got her is because Book 1 is a hard book at Keeneland. It’s all about the top pedigrees. The mare was a nice mare, but she hadn’t produced a Grade I winner or anything yet. And I think the big pedigree people weren’t interested. But when we saw her, she was just a filly that we had to have.”

Hartley said he had hoped to focus on buying fillies at last season’s yearling sales, but that plan did not work out.

“I said at the beginning of the year, that we were basically
going to be buying fillies because we felt like that was a safer market,” Hartley said. “We ended up buying just one filly because they were hard to buy. But she was the right one. From the time we bought her, we were ecstatic.”

Among Hartley and DeRenzo’s partners on the filly was Rich Mendez, who owns the Miami-based music label Rich Music.

Represented by Hartley and de Renzo at the Ocala Breeders’ Sales Company’s Spring sale, Mendez purchased a colt by Into Mischief for $1.3 million.

Now that he had both bought and sold a seven-figure juvenile, the racing newcomer was asked which was more fun.

“I think selling a million-dollar horse, I'm not going to lie,” Mendez said. “It's just the adrenaline is different. I've known this filly for seven months. I watched her grow and I got close to her. She's an amazing filly.”

Mendez admitted he had given the filly a pep talk before she went into the ring Tuesday. “I went in her stall and I gave her my pep talk,” he said. “I told her, 'You've done good so far. Now let's go be the sale topper.' And I just sat in there [in the pavilion] and I was talking to her [as she was selling]. So that's kind of why I think selling is a little more adrenaline for me.”

**FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC SALE**

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Once it was pointed out that his Into Mischief colt could go on to win a Kentucky Derby in his colors, Mendez said with a smile, “Then that will be different.”

Radcliffe made three purchases for her new client at the two-day Midlantic sale. She went to $350,000 for a colt by Liam’s Map (hip 127) and to $170,000 for a colt by Take Charge Indy (hip 80).

**King Adds a Pair of Bullets to His Stable**

Gus King, bidding alongside trainer Ron Moquett and agent Jeff Mackor, went to $510,000 to acquire a filly by Take Charge Indy (hip 361) from the De Meric Sales consignment early in Tuesday's second session of the Midlantic May sale.

“She had a good pedigree and we liked her physical, so we decided to take a shot at it,” King said after signing the ticket on the filly.

The bay juvenile is out of Perfect Paula (Songandaprayer) and is a full-sister to GIII Forward Gal S. winner Take Charge Paula. Purchased as a weanling for $100,000 at the 2021 Keeneland November sale by Tami Bobo's First Finds, she worked a furlong last week in a co-bullet :10 flat.

King admitted he had gone past his expected budget on the filly Tuesday.

“No,” he said emphatically when asked if he had planned to spend that $510,000 on the filly. “These guys talked me into it,” he said, while gesturing towards Moquett.

Later in the session, King added another colt to his racing stable when going to $325,000 for a son of Catalina Cruiser (hip 568). Consigned by LG, agent, the juvenile worked a quarter-mile last week in a co-bullet :21 2/5.

King, the owner of the Alabama-based packaging company ColorMasters LLC, has been in racing for about 15 years and currently has seven horses in training. He has been upgrading his program and recent purchases include a son of Into Mischief (hip 292) acquired at Keeneland last September for $600,000. Now named Maravich, the 2-year-old recorded a three-furlong work at Churchill Downs last Friday.

“We have some good 2-year-olds,” King said. Asked why he has made the decision to up his buying at the horse sales, King laughed and said, “I want to win some big races.”

**Seemar's World Tour Stops in Maryland**

Bhupat Seemar, trainer for the Dubai-based Zabeel Stables, has been hitting the 2-year-old sales across the globe in recent months and landed this week in Maryland for the Midlantic May sale.

“We've bought through agents, but this is the first time I'm here,” said Seemar, who saddled Summer is Tomorrow (Summer Front) in the 2022 GI Kentucky Derby. “We usually go to Europe and I'm basically chasing all of these sales. I have just come from France, from Arqana, and before that I was in Newmarket for the Guineas sale. And then I am going to Ireland for another sale. I don't know what time zone I am in at the minute.”

Of the decision to make the trip to Timonium, Seemar explained, “We've got a lot of dirt racing and last year, we had a horse who qualified for the Kentucky Derby, which was amazing. This year, there is a filly for another trainer who qualified for the GI Kentucky Oaks. There is a lot of demand for 2-year-olds and a lot of demand for good dirt horses, so where else to come than to this sale because it's the only sale for 2-year-olds on the dirt.”

Seemar made his first purchase of the two-day auction when...
Seemar said he was finding good opportunities at all the sales he has attended.

“To me, a good horse will sell anywhere,” he said. “If you have enough horses—I think they have 600 horses here—so you can always find value and some good diamonds in the rough from them.”

**SESSION TOPPERS**

**FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC SALE TUESDAY’S TOP LOTS**

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Bhupat Seemar | Fasig-Tipton

going to $150,000 to acquire a colt by *Speightstown* (hip 254) from the Top Line Sales consignment Monday.

“We have done exceptionally well with *Speightstown,*” Seemar said of the colt's appeal. “I trained [2022 G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen S. winner] Switzerland and before that, my Uncle [Satish Seemar] trained [2013 Golden Shaheen winner] Reynoldothewizard—two very, very good horses and they were both by *Speightstown.* When I was at Taylor Made, *Speightstown* himself was a yearling there. So I have a lot of affinity with him and we've had a lot of success. He's a good model, a good-looking horse. I think he fits every specification we've got.”

During Tuesday’s session of the Midlantic sale, Seemar went to $85,000 for a son of *Mendelssohn* (hip 397) from Cary Frommer.

“We bought the *Mendelssohn* colt and he's out of a *Curlin* mare,” he said. “He's got beautiful action. He's a stamp horse, he's a very good-looking horse.”

Seemar worked as an intern at Taylor Made Farm and served a stint as an assistant to trainer Bob Baffert. He took over training duties at Zabeel Stables from his uncle last summer.

Seemar’s stable of international 2-year-olds, includes a group sourced locally in Dubai at the Goffs Breeze-Up Sale in March, where client Dr. Jim Hay acquired the auction’s top two lots and four of the top seven. Hay paid €543,210 for a son of *Gun Runner* (hip 18) and €518,519 for a son of *Justify* (hip 2).

“Typically we end up getting about 25 2-year-olds,” Seemar said. “I've got some really good owners and they bought a few in the Dubai sale—we bought nine over there. Dr. Jim Hay is a big international owner and he bought a few there. I've got one coming from Japan. It's going to be a big international mix of horses.”
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592  colt  Uncle Mo–Magical Mood (GB) 375,000  
($110,000 yrl ’22 KEESEP; $225,000 2yo ’23 OBSAPR)  
Breeder: Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds LLC (Ky)  
Consignor: Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds Agent  
Purchaser: Steve Rothblum, agent for Mark Davis

433  filly  Carpe Diem–Secret Wonder 350,000  
($30,000 yrl ’22 OBSOCT, $17,000 wnl ’21 FTNMIX)  
Breeder: JD Business Ventures, Brushy Hill Stable, and  
Carpe Diem Syndicate (NY)  
Consignor: Grassroots Training & Sales LLC agent  
Purchaser: Donato Lanni, agent for Michael Lund Petersen

387  colt  Nyquist–Raffle Ticket 325,000  
($210,000 yrl ’22 FTSAUG; $125,000 wnl ’21 KEENOV;  
$140,000 ’20 In Utero KEENOV)  
Breeder: Chris Baccari & Taylor Luneack (Ky)  
Consignor: Pick View LLC, agent  
Purchaser: Donato Lanni, agent

568  colt  Catalina Cruiser–Wicked Speed 325,000  
($85,000 RNA 2yo ’23 OBSMAR; $70,000 yrl ’22 KEESEP)  
Breeder: Dr. Hartmut H Malluche & Silesia Farm (Ky)  
Consignor: LG, agent  
Purchaser: Jeff Mackor, agent for Gus King

379  filly  Vino Rosso  Qualkris 385,000  
Consigned by Tom McCrocklin, Agent I  
Purchased by Liz Crow, Agent for Team Hanley & 30 Year Farm  
Tom McCrocklin acquired this filly from the first crop of GI  
Breeders' Cup Classic winner Vino Rosso for $70,000 at last  
year’s OBS October sale.

381  filly  Klimt  Queen of Silence 150,000  
Consigned by JVC Training and Sales, agent  
Purchased by Baccari Bloodstock, Agent for D.W.F. Inc.  
Nick Hines purchased this filly for $6,000 at last year's Fasig- 
Tipton October sale.

386  filly  Congrats  Racyn with Gracyn250,000  
Consigned by Shamrock Stables (Joe Deegan), agent  
Purchased by JX Racing  
Joe Deegan acquired this filly for $50,000 at last year's  
Keeneland September sale.

387  colt  Nyquist  Raffle Ticket 325,000  
Consigned by Pick View LLC, agent  
Purchased by Donato Lanni, agent  
Joe Pickerell's Pick View, which had a big day in the Timonium  
sales ring Monday, had another pinhooking score with this colt,  
who was purchased for $210,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton  
Saratoga sale.

392  colt  Blame  Real Clever Trick 165,000  
Consigned by Kings Equine, agent  
Purchased by Mark Glatt, agent  
Raul Reyes's Kings Equine purchased this colt for $65,000 at  
last year’s Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale.

394  filly  Constitution  Real Sister 225,000  
Consigned by Paul Sharp, Agent VII  
Purchased by Alistair Roden, Agent for MKW Racing & Breeding  
Baltimore native John Davison, who sold future multiple  
graded stakes winner Faiza (Girvin) for $725,000 at the  
Midlantic May sale last year after purchasing her for $90,000  
the previous July, had more success in Timonium Tuesday. He  
purchased this filly for $80,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton July  
sale. The youngster joins the fledgling racing operation of Florida  
real estate developer Pete Williams.
Hip 406 | Fasig Tipton

406 filly  **Gun Runner**  Rocky Policy  450,000
Consigned by De Meric Sales, agent  
Purchased by Flurry Racing Stables

Lugamo Racing Stables acquired this filly for $175,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale.

433 filly  **Carpe Diem**  Secret Wonder  350,000
Consigned by Grassroots Training and Sales LLC, agent  
Purchased by Donato Lanni, Agent for Michael Lund Petersen  
David McKathan and Jody Mihalic’s Grassroots Training and Sales purchased for $30,000 at last year’s OBS October sale.

536 colt  **Mohaymen**  Top Sheet  120,000
Consigned by Two Oaks Equine  
Purchased by K.O.I.D.

Victor Centeno purchased this colt for $14,000 at last year’s OBS October sale. The gray colt, who got loose prior to his work last week, returned later in the session to work a strong :10 2/5.

**WHITE ABARRIO REMOVED FROM SAFFIE JOSEPH’S BARN BY C2 RACING; HEADS TO DUTROW**

White Abarrio (Race Day) has been taken away from trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. after his suspension by Churchill Downs during a week when two of his horses died from unexplained causes at the Louisville track, according to a Tweet posted by White Abarrio’s owners, C2 Racing Stable. He was scheduled to arrive at his new trainer Rick Dutrow’s barn at Belmont on Tuesday.

Parents Pride (Maclean’s Music) and Chasing Artie (We Miss Artie), both owned by Ken Ramsey and trained by Joseph, collapsed and died Apr. 29 and May 2, respectively. Parents Pride was pulled up at the five-sixteenths pole during his race before collapsing, while Chasing Artie collapsed after returning to the unsaddling area after his race.

"Twenty days ago, the primary trainer for C2 Racing Stable, Saffie Joseph, Jr., was indefinitely suspended by a racetrack operator and since this suspension, we have not been successful in obtaining the necessary answers from several racing jurisdictions or racetrack operators regarding future race nominations and race entries by Saffie Joseph, Jr.,” the statement posted on Twitter reads.

"Due to the lack of answers by jurisdictions and operators,
they have made it very difficult to manage the remainder of White Abarrio's 4-year-old campaign, thus requiring us to make a trainer change for the remainder of the year. This is definitely not our preference; however, we had two choices, remain with Saffie not knowing if our race nominations or entries would be accepted or make a trainer change so we can nominate White Abarrio to the Metropolitain Mile on June 10, 2023 and future races.

"The decision to make a trainer change is solely based on the ability to manage White Abarrio. We have the utmost confidence and trust in Saffie Joseph, Jr. and his team. We know from first-hand experience and being at the barn on almost a daily basis for the past year that he and his team deeply care for the welfare and condition of the horses. In fact, we remain fully committed to Saffie and our 12 horses currently under his care will remain as we are very confident Saffie will be reinstated and fully vindicated in the near future.

"White Abarrio will arrive at Belmont Park this morning to his new trainer Richard Dutrow, Jr. to begin preparing for the Metropolitan Mile on June 10, 2023."

White Abarrio won a Gulfstream allowance/optional claiming race in his last start at Gulfstream on Mar. 4, after running eighth in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S., presented by Baccarat. The allowance win was his first since taking the GI Florida Derby in April, 2022.

C2 Racing Stable is owned by Clint and Mark Cornett.

Joseph was suspended indefinitely by Churchill on May 4, two days before the Kentucky Derby, and his entrant, Lord Miles ( Curlin) was scratched. "Given the unexplained sudden deaths, we have reasonable concerns about the condition of his horses, and decided to suspend him indefinitely until details are analyzed and understood," said Bill Mudd, President and Chief Operating Officer of CDI. "The safety of our equine and human athletes and integrity of our sport is our highest priority. We feel these measures are our duty and responsibility."

 COLLMUS TO CALL PENN MILE

Triple Crown and Breeders' Cup racecaller Larry Collmus will be behind the microphone on GII Penn Mile Night at Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course on Friday, June 2, the track announced on Tuesday.

In addition to the track's signature event, the veteran announcer will also call the other five stakes races on the evening's program--the $150,000 Penn Oaks and all four Pennsylvania-bred stakes, each carrying a $100,000 purse.

Collmus will begin his visit by hosting a meet and greet on the track's apron starting at 4:30 p.m. For more information, visit Penn National's website.

PETTIGREW RETURNING TO SAM HOUSTON, RETAMA

Horse racing veteran Bryan Pettigrew will return to Texas and oversee horse racing operations at Sam Houston Race Park in Houston and at Retama Park in Selma, PENN Entertainment announced Tuesday. Pettigrew previously was head of marketing at Sam Houston Race Park in the mid-1990s before joining the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) and later the Breeders’ Cup in Lexington, where he was the Chief Marketing Officer until 2019.

"I was excited when I got the call to join the PENN Entertainment team and head up their Texas operations,"
Bryan Pettigrew said. “When I was previously at Sam Houston, I was able to grow handle and attendance, while educating businesses and a newer fan base about the fun, excitement, and economic impact of horse racing in Texas. I’m hoping to bring many of those same principles back and work with our talented management teams to grow our racing businesses in the Lone Star state,” he added.

Dwight Berube served as Vice President and General Manager of the property and its subsidiaries since 2017 and will be retiring in early June. Pettigrew will officially join PENN Entertainment June 5, pending customary regulatory approvals.

“I’m thrilled to have Bryan leading our Texas racing properties,” Christopher McErlean, Vice President of Racing for PENN Entertainment, said. “Horse racing in Texas has plenty of challenges but Bryan has a strong understanding of the horse racing business with his previous high-profile marketing and sponsorship roles within the industry and has maintained strong connections to many Texas racing stakeholders. He also brings a wide array of experience from outside of racing in professional sports management and special events which should positively impact our properties.”

REAL RIDER CUP REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration is now open for the 2023 Real Rider Cup, a charity show jumping event featuring members of the racing industry competing on off-track Thoroughbreds. Proceeds from the event will once again benefit the Fair Hill Thoroughbred Show, New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program, and the Retired Racehorse Project.

The Real Rider Cup offers two legs of competition, the first leg at Mereworth Farm in Lexington, KY, July 8 and the second during the Fair Hill Thoroughbred Show in Elkton, MD, Sept. 15. Riders will compete both individually and as part of a team formed to represent a particular farm, stable, organization or branch of the industry. All riders pledge to raise a minimum of $1,000, either through donations or sponsorships. Participation will be capped at 30 riders per event.

Each rider will navigate a 2’6” jumps course at either location, or they can choose to compete at both. The leading riders from each leg will compete head-to-head in a virtual event with online voting to determine the Real Rider Cup Champion. Awards will also be given for top teams and top fund raisers at each leg.

“We are incredibly grateful to all the participants, volunteers and those that have donated and sponsored over the last five years,” Real Rider Cup founder Anita Motion said. “After our record-breaking Real Rider Cup in 2022, we’re looking forward to another year of fun competition and fund raising for Thoroughbred aftercare.”

For more information or to register, visit the Real Rider Cup website.

Weight watching, injury dangers, caustic feedback add to mental health woes for horse racing jockeys

Eurico Rosa da Silva was in a dark place. On the track, the jockey in his early 30s was winning races and making money. At home, he was fighting suicidal thoughts every day. “I got to the point where I have no more choice but to go for help,” he recalled recently. “I went because if I have no choice, I would kill myself.” by Stephen Whyno, AP News
JOCKEYS GUILD, HISA HOST JOCKEY MENTAL WELLNESS SYMPOSIUM

The Jockeys’ Guild and the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) on Tuesday hosted a first-ever symposium at Keeneland in an effort to generate discussion on how the Thoroughbred industry can work together to advance the mental well-being of jockeys across the country.

Retired NFL player Randy Grimes, who advocates for appropriate and accessible mental wellness and addiction-related resources for professional athletes, gave the keynote address, and retired jockey Eurico Rosa Da Silva, who penned the book “Riding for Freedom,” also spoke on his lifelong struggles with mental wellness and addiction and his goal of helping others, particularly other jockeys, overcome similar difficulties off the track.

Additionally, FGS Global shared the results of an anonymous survey of 230 jockeys recently conducted to evaluate mental wellness needs and determine what kinds of resources and support services would be most impactful.

The survey found:
- 10% of jockeys describe their mental health as “poor”
- A third have had challenges in their daily lives over the past month due to feelings of sadness, depression, or anxiety.
- 93% are concerned about financial stability and providing for their families

Also, lack of financial security, making weight, the pressure to win and lack of a livable wage were among the biggest pressures the jockeys said they faced, with barriers to seeking help being the fear of losing work and a general stigma around asking for support.

“The Jockeys’ Guild appreciates all of the jockeys who took the time to complete the survey,” Terry Meyocks, Jockeys’ Guild President and CEO said.

“The number of responses just reiterates the importance of mental health and wellness for our athletes. We also appreciate all of the input and interest by industry participants in this first step in addressing jockeys’ mental health. It is a very complex topic and it is necessary to have discussions like today on the best way to move forward. The ultimate goal is that we as an industry will be able to support and find solutions for, not only the jockeys, but everyone in our industry.”

Potential resources that respondents expressed the most interest in to help address their challenges included nutritional support services to help safely maintain weight, access to a sports psychologist, career transition resources for retirement and personal finance assistance.

“HISA’s responsibility to oversee safety in racing certainly includes the mental wellbeing of its athletes,” Lisa Lazarus, HISA’s CEO said. “The results of this survey serve as a reminder of the many challenges jockeys face. We are grateful to all the jockeys who shared their experiences and feedback, all of which will be crucial in our efforts to advance the well-being of current and future riders across the country.”
Monday, Lone Star #12, post time: 8:05 p.m. EDT

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Parx Racing, $50,830, Msw, 5-23, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :54.95, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.
KISS FOR LUCK (f, 2, Accelerate--Vero Amore (GSP, $252,255), by Mineshaft), installed the 4-5 choice for this first go, was off a beat slow but recovered quickly and shot to the front. A clear leader over second choice Mii Amo (Social Inclusion) through an initial quarter in :23.32, she maintained her advantage all the way down the lane, scoring by 1 3/4 lengths over Mii Amo. The winner is a half to Treble (Macho Uno), GSP, $306,169, and has a year-younger full brother and another brother by Sir Prancealot (Ire) from this season. Sales history: $6,000 Ylg '22 NCAAU; $35,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $27,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Swilcan Stable LLC; B-Swilcan Stables (KY); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr.

1st-Parx Racing, $48,850, Msw, 5-23, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53.64, ft, 3 lengths.
YO YO CANDY (c, 2, Danzing Candy--Yolanda B. Too (SW & GISP, $340,335), by Two Punch), sent off at 3-1 for his unveiling, pressed the pace through an opening quarter in :23.13, moved to the fore approaching the quarter pole and drew clear from there to score by a comfortable margin over Harp's Hot Corner (Weigelia). The winner is a half to Treble (Macho Uno), GSP, $306,169, and has a year-younger full brother and another brother by Sir Prancealot (Ire) from this season. Sales history: $6,000 Ylg '22 NCAAU; $35,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $27,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Happy Tenth Stable; B-Checkmate Thoroughbreds LLC (CA); T-Daniel Velazquez.

1st-Presque Isle Downs, $29,700, Msw, 5-23, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f (AWT), :53.76, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.
SHOT GIRL (f, 2, Frosted--Strawberry Tequila (GSP, $157,752), by Daaher), sent off the 2-1 second choice, chased the pace alongside Two Hearted (Heart to Heart) as favored Alexandra's Song (City of Light) zipped through an opening quarter in :22.94. Overtaking Two Hearted as she cut the corner along the inside turning for home, she bore down on the weakening frontrunner, gained command midstretch and drew clear to score by 1 3/4 lengths over Two Hearted with the favorite a clear third. The winner's dam Strawberry Tequila, a full-sister to SW and MGSP Clothes Fall Off, produced a filly by Candy Ride (Arg) last season. Sales history: $90,000 RNA Wlg '21 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $18,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
O-James Cullen; B-Nicholas Strong, James & Kristine Cullen (KY); T-Jimmy Corrigan.

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SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Awesome Slew (Awesome Again), Ocala Stud, $4,000
80 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Thistledown, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Brownie, 10-1
$15,000 OTB OMX yr

City of Light (Quality Road), Lane’s End Farm, $60,000
209 foals of racing age/24 winners/6 black-type winners
5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Delphine, 3-1
$375,000 KEE NOV wnl
5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Lil Miss Moonlight, 5-2
$95,000 KEE SEP yrl

Collected (City Zip), Airdrie Stud, $10,000
234 foals of racing age/30 winners/3 black-type winners
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Paleta, 10-1
$210,000 KEE SEP yrl

Eastwood (Speightstown), Blackstone Farm, $1,250
17 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Parx Racing, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Alw 7f, John Dutton, 3-1

Good Magic (Curlin), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $50,000
237 foals of racing age/45 winners/9 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Bring the Magic, 20-1
$30,000 OBS OCT yrl; $23,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Cozee Magic, 12-1

Good Samaritan (Harlan’s Holiday), WinStar Farm, $7,500
172 foals of racing age/37 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Delaware, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Good Accelebrate, 15-1
$23,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; $18,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Hoppertunity (Any Given Saturday), Northview Stallion Station, $5,000
156 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner
10-Parx Racing, 4:47 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, Elevenmonthslater, 12-1

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, $25,000
348 foals of racing age/52 winners/3 black-type winners
10-Parx Racing, 4:47 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, Determined Lilly, 3-1
$75,000 FTK NOV wnl

Mo Town (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford, $5,000
172 foals of racing age/34 winners/3 black-type winners
6-Delaware, 3:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Marvelette, 5-2
$90,000 OBS OCT yrl
7-Finger Lakes, 4:09 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Mo Trump, 5-1
$15,000 KEE NOV wnl; $5,500 OBS WIN wnl; $29,000 EAS OCT yrl

Redesdale (Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, $2,500
74 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Finger Lakes, 4:09 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, N Y Riesling, 12-1

Seahenge (Scat Daddy), Haras de la Haie Neuve, $3,500
122 foals of racing age/15 winners/1 black-type winner
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Tribest (Arg), 5-2

Sharp Azteca (Freud), Three Chimneys Farm, $15,000
200 foals of racing age/53 winners/4 black-type winners
5-Presque Isle Downs, 4:48 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Aztec Princess, 6-1

Tenkoz (Malibu Moon)
5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Belterra, 2:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Whynaughty, 6-1

WinStar stallion Good Samaritan | Louise Reinagel
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**Tough It Up** (Lemon Drop Kid), Maccabee Farm
4 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Belterra, 2:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Emerald Eyes, 8-1
$7,000 RNA OTB OMX yrl

**West Coast** (Flatter), Lane’s End Farm, $10,000
198 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT,
Vogelsang, 15-1
$60,000 KEE NOV wnl; $230,000 KEE SEP yrl

**COTTON CANDY ANNIE** (f, 3, Sharp Azteca--Fine Candy, by Candy Ride {Arg})
Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, $180,760.
O-Antonio Donato; B-Serendipity Farm, Seaboard Brokers & Paul Morgano (KY); T-Armando Hernandez. *$35,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP.

**SURE FIRE READY** (m, 5, Tidal Volume--I’m Ready, by More Than Ready)
Lifetime Record: 18-2-3-4, $78,130. O-Paula K. Weaver; B-Paula Weaver (OH); T-Valerie K. Shanyfelt.

**LAKE RADIO** (g, 4, Can the Man--Ready's Schedule, by Ready's Image)
Lifetime Record: 12-4-1-3, $83,245. O/T-Kim A. Puhl; B-Dream Walkin Farms, Inc. (KY).

**SANDY’S GARDEN** (f, 4, Conveyance--Lots of Mine, by Mineshaft)
Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-1-1, $75,190. O/B-James G. Doyle (NY); T-John Tebbutt.

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $38,000, 5-23, (NW3L), 3yo/up,
f/m, 1m, 1:39.92, ft 1 3/4 lengths.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

- **9th-Parx Racing, $68,700, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($16,000), 5-23, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.58, ft, 2 lengths.**
  
  **WIZKY’S ON THE BAY** (g, 5, Talent Search--Sundays On the Bay, by Disco Rico) Lifetime Record: 15-3-4-3, $153,692. O-Justin Harguth Et Al; B-Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr.

- **7th-Prairie Meadows, $50,225, (S), Hcp, 5-22, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.43, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.**
  
  **BLAZE AWAY N HIDE** (f, 4, Run Away and Hide--My Bria, by Jump Start) Lifetime Record: 22-6-7-3, $211,301. O-NBS Stable; B-Arthur James Neuhedel (IA); T-Jon G. Arnett.

- **8th-Thistledown, $38,400, (S), 5-23, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:48.40, ft, 1 length.**
  
  **VENTURE ON** (g, 4, Added Edge--Em N Emmy, by Sky Mesa) Lifetime Record: 20-3-3-6, $110,166. O-Marion F. Gorham; B-Raimonde Farms LTD (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham.
  
  *1/2 to Emmy's Candy (Sidney's Candy), MSP, $159,688.
3rd-Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, $23,500, (S), (NW2L)/Opt. Clm ($10,000), 5-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.65, ft, 3/4 length.

BIG SALLY (f, 3, Ghaaaleb--Turtle Pie, by Wild Zone) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $33,700. O-Ritter, Charles W. and Becker, Scott; B-William Tippett (IL); T-Scott Becker. *Full to Fast Jack, SW, $133,660.

7th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, $23,086, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm ($17,500), 5-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :58.24, ft, 5 lengths.

ROYAL COUNTY (f, 4, Klimt--Guiltless, by Bernardini) Lifetime Record: 17-5-2-3, $147,998. O-Jerry Jamgotchian; B-Woods Edge Farm, LLC (KY); T-Eric R. Reed. *$10,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; $30,000 RNA 4yo '23 KEEAPR. **1/2 to Du Jour (Temple City), GSW & MGISP, $677,720.

1st-Assiniboia Downs, C$20,090, (C)/Opt. Clm ($14,816), 5-22, 3yo/up, 5f, :59.40, ft, 1/2 length.

MARKET KING (g, 7, Into Mischief--Divine Presence, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: GSP, 33-7-7-3, $253,893. O-Donald, Ira J. and Kachur, Kane; B-Flaxman Holdings Limited (KY); T-Jared Brown. *$550,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Kitodan (Point of Entry), GSW, $779,641.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Olive's Candy, f, 3, Candy Ride (Arg)--Eileen's Song, by Kitten's Joy. Assiniboia Downs, 5-22, 5f, 1:00.67. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $13,404. B-Cobra Farm & Stallionaire Ent. LLC (KY).


Hyper Speed, g, 3, Tapwrit--Wild One, by War Front. Finger Lakes, 5-23, 6f, 1:12.84. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, $25,881. B-Robert V. LaPenta (NY). *$47,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

Jose Jose, g, 4, Jersey Town--Chilli Chines, by Katowice. Hastings Racecourse, 5-22, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:17.49. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $11,911. B-White House Stables & George Robbins (BC). C$19,000 Ylg '20 BRCSEP. *1/2 to Herbie D (Orchid's Devil), GSW-USA, MSW-Can, $377,214.

Zartownis, g, 4, Practical Joke--Cosmic Queen (MSP-Can, SP-USA, $182,002), by Stormy Atlantic. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5-23, 5fT, :57.59. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $26,400. B-Buck Pond Farm Inc., Austin Musselman & Jane Musselman (KY). *$47,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEEJAN; $75,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

Another Winner Co-Bred & Sold by BUCK POND FARM

Prince Shim, g, 6, Justin Phillip--Queen of the Wind, by Speightstown. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5-23, (S), 1m, 1:39.16. Lifetime Record: 16-1-7-0, $54,285. B-Shim Racing LLC (IN). *1/2 to Shane's Jewel (Eskendereya), SP, $408,337.

Accelerate, Kiss for Luck, f, 2, o/o Vero Amore, by Mineshaft. MSW, 5-23, Parx Racing

Added Edge, Venture On, g, 4, o/o Em N Emmy, by Sky Mesa. ALW, 5-23, Thistledown

Can the Man, Lake Radio, g, 4, o/o Ready's Schedule, by Ready's Image. ALW, 5-23, Thistledown

Candy Ride (Arg), Olive's Candy, f, 3, o/o Eileen's Song, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 5-22, Assiniboia

Conveyance, Sandy's Garden, f, 4, o/o Lots of Mine, by Mineshaft. ALW, 5-23, Finger Lakes

Danzing Candy, Yo Yo Candy, c, 2, o/o Yolanda B. Too, by Two Punch. MSW, 5-23, Parx Racing

Frosted, Shot Girl, f, 2, o/o Strawberry Tequila, by Daaher. MSW, 5-23, Presque Isle Downs

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Ghaaleb, Big Sally, f, 3, o/o Turtle Pie, by Wild Zone. AOC, 5-23, Fan duel Sportsbook And Horse Racing
Into Mischief, Market King, g, 7, o/o Divine Presence, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 5-22, Assiniboia
Jersey Town, Jose Jose, g, 4, o/o Chilli Chines, by Katowice. MOC, 5-22, Hastings
Justin Phillip, Prince Shim, g, 6, o/o Queen of the Wind, by Speightstown. MSW, 5-23, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Klimt, Royal County, f, 4, o/o Guiltless, by Bernardini. AOC, 5-22, Mountaineer
Medaglia d'Oro, Strike the Top, g, 6, o/o Strike Softly, by Smart Strike. ALW, 5-23, Presque Isle Downs
Practical Joke, Zartownis, g, 4, o/o Cosmic Queen, by Stormy Atlantic. MSW, 5-23, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Run Away and Hide, Blaze Away N Hide, f, 4, o/o My Bria, by Jump Start. HCP, 5-22, Prairie Meadows
Sharp Azteca, Cotton Candy Annie, f, 3, o/o Fine Candy, by Candy Ride (Arg). ALW, 5-23, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Sungold, Freestyle, f, 3, o/o Miss Napoli, by Ready's Image. MOC, 5-22, Hastings
Talent Search, Wizky's On the Bay, g, 5, o/o Sundays On the Bay, by Disco Rico. AOC, 5-23, Parx Racing
Tapwrit, Hyper Speed, g, 3, o/o Wild One, by War Front. MSW, 5-23, Finger Lakes
Tidal Volume, Sure Fire Ready, m, 5, o/o I'm Ready, by More Than Ready. ALW, 5-23, Thistledown
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FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC WRAPPED ON TUESDAY

The Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May Two-Year-Olds In Training Sale ended its two-day run on Tuesday. Jessica Martini reports from Timonium, Maryland.

ROSY SCOTSMAN SUPPLEMENTED TO THE TATTERSALLS IRISH 2000 GUINEAS

The Classic-placed Royal Scotsman (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}) has been supplemented to the G1 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas on Saturday, and the field now stands at 12.

Trained by Paul and Oliver Cole for Mrs. Fitri Hay, the G1 Dewhurst S. runner-up is joined by the Guineas second and fourth Hi Royal (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) for Kevin Ryan and Galeron (Ire) (Camacho {GB}), respectively. A trio of colts line up from Aidan O’Brien in Age Of Kings (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Cairo (Ire) (Quality Road) and Paddington (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}).

Sunday's G1 Tattersalls Irish 1000 Guineas has attracted a field of 11, with the Aidan O’Brien-trained Jackie Oh (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who was a late supplement, set to join Dower House (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Never Ending Story (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), and Meditate (Ire) (No Nay Never) from Ballydoyle.

COULD ANOTHER DOUBLE TRIPLE CROWN BE ON THE CARDS IN JAPAN?

By Emma Berry

We are poised midway between Japan's Oaks (Yushun Himba), which took place last Sunday, and Derby (Tokyo Yushun) this coming Sunday. What is not in doubt in the country that has led the way at so many international meetings in recent years, is that those two races over 2,400m are still very much targeted and revered by owners and breeders. In Japan, there is no shortage of horses bred specifically for that distance, or further.

In any country, it takes a special horse to win the Triple Crown. For the first time ever in Japan, there was a colts’ and a fillies’ Triple Crown winner in 2020, courtesy of Contrail (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and Daring Tact (Jpn) (Epiphaneia {Jpn}). For the fillies, that special quest does not end in the Japanese St Leger in late October, but a week earlier in the Shuka Sho, in which they return to 2,000m.

This year, the Triple Crown is already on the cards again for one filly, with the vaunted Liberty Island (Jpn) having blasted past her rivals to a six-length victory in Tokyo on Sunday after taking the Oka Sho (1,000 Guineas) at Hanshin in April.

The unbeaten Sol Orients (Jpn) (Kitasan Black {Jpn}), winner of the Satsuki Sho (2,000 Guineas), is almost certain to start favourite for the Derby on Sunday for what will be just the fourth run of his life. Cont. p3
HARRINGTON HOPEFUL WITH SPREWELL
Sprewell (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) is trainer Jessica Harrington’s G1 Betfred Derby horse and he has proved a balm for her during her cancer battle.

RECORD FIVE SIX-FIGURE LOTS AT GOFFS UK
The second and final day of the Goffs UK Spring Store Sale featured strong trade and a gross of £6,041,300.

HAVANA GREY COLT WINS ON DEBUT
Havana Cigar (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) won at first asking at Saint-Cloud on Tuesday.
Double Triple Crown Potential In Japan Cont. from p1

His name, incidentally, translates from Latin to 'Rising Sun', an apposite moniker for a top-class Japanese galloper if ever there was one.

Both Liberty Island and Sol Oriens exemplify what has become a common theme in Japanese breeding in that they are by domestic stallions who are proven at the top level over a number of seasons, and often with form up to two miles, and out of classy international race mares. It is no accident that Japan has become a dominant force in world racing: they set out to breed horses with that all-important blend of class and stamina, prizing form highly for both stallions and broodmares.

Yankee Rose (Aus), by Red Ransom’s son All American (Aus), may have had humble origins, and was famously bought for just A$10,000 at the Inglis Classic Yearling Sale, but she earned her way to the top. Following her Group 1 victories at two and three, not to mention her runner-up finish in the prized Golden Slipper, she was duly bought privately by Katsumi Yoshida. Mated initially to two Derby winners in her first two seasons in Deep Impact (Jpn) and Duramente, she has struck gold with her second foal, Liberty Island.

In the case of Skia (Fr) (Motivator {GB}), the dam of Sol Oriens and his Grade 2-winning half-brother Vin De Garde (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), her final start brought victory in the G3 Prix Fille de l’Air for Leonidas Marinopoulos. She was later bought by French bloodstock agent Patrick Barbe, who has done plenty of business in Japan over the years, for €320,000 at Arqana’s December Breeding Stock Sale.

Sol Oriens’s sire Kitasan Black, a son of Deep Impact’s full-brother Black Tide (Jpn), is also responsible for the exciting Equinox (Jpn) and was himself an accomplished galloper who didn’t race until he was three.

He made up for that with 20 starts over three seasons, his final appearance coming when he won the G1 Arima Kinen as a five-year-old, to seal a quintet of Grade 1 victories which included the Japan Cup and the Tenno Sho (Spring) over two miles. Kitasan Black was also third in the Satsuki Sho behind the Liberty Island’s sire Duramente, with the latter, by King Kamehameha (Jpn), then going on to win the Derby. He had sired just five crops of foals when he died in 2021 at the age of nine. With five Grade 1 winners to his name already, Duramente looks a considerable loss.

Deep Impact, the most celebrated Japanese horse in recent history, and a Triple Crown winner himself who also landed the two-mile Tenno Sho, was another to have been the offspring of an imported mare, and of course he was by Japan’s most famous equine import, Sunday Silence. Deep Impact’s dam Wind In Her Hair (Ire) (Alzao), who, remarkably, is still alive at the age of 32 in retirement at Northern Horse Park, is a grand-daughter of the late Queen’s dual Classic winner Highclere (GB) (Queen’s Hussar {GB}). Second to Balanchine in the Oaks and a Group 1 winner in Germany the following year, Wind In Her Hair was another private purchase by Katsumi Yoshida. Her legacy in his country is now immense. Cont. p4
Donna Blini at the JRHA Sale in 2019 with her Kitasan Black foal

Emma Berry

Double Triple Crown Potential In Japan Cont.

Deep Impact’s Triple Crown-winning daughter Gentildonna (Jpn), who was twice voted Horse of the Year in Japan, follows a similar pattern, being out of the G1 Cheveley Park S. winner Donna Blini (GB) (Bertolini), who was bought by Northern Farm for 500,000gns at the Tattersalls December Sale of 2006.

Little wonder, then, that such time and money is spent by Japanese breeders and their operatives in plucking some of the best race mares in Europe, America, Australia and beyond to bolster the home broodmare bands, whether through private purchases or at auction.

The extent of the former we can only guess at, but in the last four years at Keeneland’s November Sale, for example, Japanese buyers have spent $59.3 million on 152 horses, and that was through a pandemic, don’t forget. During that timeframe, €8.5 million has been spent at Arqana on 19 broodmare prospects, while at Goffs there’s been an outlay of €2.1 million, and at Tattersalls another £14.2 million on 53 fillies and mares during the last four December Sales. And those figures are just from the breeding stock sales. Many millions more have been spent on foals and yearlings.

It is an eye-watering level of investment, primarily but not solely from the brothers Teruya, Katsumi and Haruya Yoshida. They respectively own Shadai, Northern and Oiwake Farms, and are collectively responsible for a power-packed roster at Shadai Stallion Station, which is currently home to 32 stallions. Of these, seven were bred in the USA, including last year’s leading freshman, Mind Your Biscuits (Posse), and the Arkansas Derby winner Nadal (Blame).

The latter brings yet another branch of the Hail To Reason sireline into the country, which was enjoying great success there even before the Halo stallion Sunday Silence arrived. Nadal descends via Hail To Reason’s Derby-winning son Roberto, whose son Real Shadai was champion sire in Japan in 1993, two years before Sunday Silence won the first of his 13 championships. More recently, Roberto’s line has been well represented by Symboli Kris S and his son Epiphaneia. Jim Bolger’s brilliant Poetic Flare (Ire) (Dawn Approach (Ire)) was another recent overseas recruit to a line-up which boasts 26 homegrown sires.

On Monday, the Japan Racing Horse Association (JRHA) released the catalogue for its Select Sale in July, which sells yearlings on one day followed by the rather charming session of foals offered alongside their dams. Once sold, the foals return to farms where they were born to be weaned, and only later join their new owners.

It offers an extraordinary opportunity for sale attendees to see some of these grand old girls in the flesh, and what a line-up it will be again this year, in the shade of the trees of the Northern Horse Park, as the morning inspection session takes place prior to the start of the sale.

In a veritable international who's who of broodmares, those present alongside their foals will include former champion race fillies from America, Australia, Argentina, and Canada, including She Will Reign (Aus) and Caledonia Road, with Classic winners from France, Germany and Italy in Dream And Do (Fr), Feodor (Ger) and Dionisia. Then there’s dear old Donna Blini, who is represented by both yearling and foal half-sisters to her greatest creation, Gentildonna.

It is a catalogue that is almost impossible to preview in short form, containing as it does a deep, global representation of top-class form on both sides of each youngster’s pedigree. But in short, it can be viewed as a set text for a lesson from a country which continues to prioritise form and longevity, with a long-term eye on the middle-distance horse. A land where, whatever the outcome for Sol Oriens, the sun continues to shine brightly on the breeding industry.
Tattersalls Irish Guineas Entries Cont. from p1

Dermot Weld is aiming for consecutive victories in the 1600-metre race, and has both Tahiyra (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) and Tarawa (Ire) (Shamardal) entered.

"We'll make a decision about Tahiyra in the next day or two but she's most likely to run," Weld said. "It's just like any other horse, you just want to check all the parameters out and if we're happy with everything when the time comes, she runs. And right now, she's most likely to run.

"The same applies with Tarawa. A decision will be made on her, if not tomorrow, then on Thursday but she's quite a possibility to run as well. "We're very happy with both fillies."

Vadeni (Fr) (Churchill {Ire}), who like Weld's fillies, races in the iconic green and red colours of His Highness The Aga Khan, was supplemented to Sunday's G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup for €45,000.

Georges Rimaud, the Aga Khan's racing and breeding manager in France, said of the Jean-Claude Rouget-trained colt, "There's a logic to going and running in this race, that's why we've chosen this one. Hopefully it will make good sense and he will perform well, I hear there's no rain planned and we're not really worried about the type of ground he is going to run on anyway. He has, in the past, liked this sort of fast-ish ground so he should be fine.

"The horse is doing well, he has improved from his last race. We are hoping for a good run from him, the ground should suit him."

Jessica Harrington, who will bid to win her first Betfred Derby with Sprewell (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}), has described working with horses as "the best therapy" in her breast cancer battle.

Sprewell was an impressive winner of a Group 3 Derby trial at Leopardstown earlier this month and the 76-year-old trainer believes the colt has what it takes to provide her with a breakthrough victory in the Epsom Classic.

Speaking on a Zoom call organised by The Jockey Club, Harrington said, "I've been delighted with him. We knew he'd come on over the winter and he's run two good, solid races. "He's come out of the Leopardstown run very well and we were delighted with him. He definitely stepped forward from there again and we're looking forward to Saturday week."

Harrington added on the general 12-1 chance for the Derby, "I think the step up to a-mile-and-a-half will suit him--he ran through the line very strong (at Leopardstown) and he's a very strong and relaxed horse, which is the main thing.

"Nothing seems to faze him and I think going the mile-and-a-half will suit him because I think he'll settle well, which he had done in both of his races this year."

Harrington was diagnosed with breast cancer late last year. The dual Classic-winning trainer has spoken about how working in a busy yard has been a therapy during her recuperation and described her daughters Emma [Galway] and Kate as a massive help in ensuring the smooth running of the yard during that time.

She explained, "Things are great and I'm lucky enough to have finished the worst part of it now that the chemo is done. We're moving on to the next stage now and it'll take a bit longer, but I hope that I'll be out and about again very shortly." Cont. p6
Harrington Cont.

She added, "The horses really have been a massive help to me and I'm really lucky to have a massive support team here."

She added, "My daughters Kate and Emma and my son-in-law [Richie Galway] have been around all winter keeping things going and I did my best to get out every single day that I could to look at the horses, because that was the best therapy that I reckoned I had.

"I went racing last Friday to Leopardstown. I didn’t actually go on Sunday, but I go when it’s nice and near and when I can. I’d be most likely to watch the Derby from home, but I’ll see how I get on."

RECORD OF FIVE SIX-FIGURE LOTS
HIGHLIGHT GOFFS UK SPRING STORE SALE

The 2023 Goffs UK Spring Store Sale came to a close on Tuesday with four lots making six figures. That solid trade came off the back of the British record top lot, a £210,000 Blue Bresil filly, who sold from Goldford Stud to Highflyer Bloodstock at Doncaster on Monday.

It was a No Risk At All gelding, sold from Moanmore Stables to top point-to-point outfit Monbeg Stables, who led the way on Tuesday when selling for £125,000. The Tuesday top lot hails from the family of Grade 1 winners Stormy Ireland, Stormy River and Silverwave.

Of the 254 lots offered at the two-day store sale, 206 sold for an average of £29,327, while the median was £23,250. The aggregate was £6,041,300, down over £1 million from last year, but for 20 less horses sold.

Goffs UK Managing Director Tim Kent commented, "A record top price and a record equalling number of six-figure prices are the obvious headline stories of the last two days but the moment we will all remember for years to come is the outstanding £210,000 achieved for Goldford Stud’s Blue Bresil filly during yesterday’s session. This was a new British record for a store, and it was a wonderful result for the Aston family given the sad passing of Richard just a few weeks ago. “They have enjoyed incredible success at this sale over the years and they have topped the sale on 11 occasions, so it was a fitting tribute to Richard that they broke the record once again in Doncaster.”"

He added, "Away from the top of the market, trade has been a little more selective but vendors have been realistic with their expectations which has helped to contribute to a very respectable clearance rate of 81%. Along with the launch of our new £100,000 Spring Sale Bumper in March, which is now the world’s richest bumper, it has been another successful chapter for the Doncaster Spring Store Sale and we look forward to continuing the action tomorrow as we kick off the Spring HIT/PTP Sale from 10am."

PRIX DU JOCKEY CLUB EQUESTRIAN PARADE SET FOR JUNE 3

The Qatar Prix du Jockey Club Equestrian Parade, featuring riders and horses from the AFASEC (jockey apprentice school), will pass through the streets of Chantilly from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 3.

They will bear the colours of the €1.5-million G1 Qatar Prix du Jockey Club field, which will take place on Sunday, June 4. The 10-race card will also feature family racecourse events. For more information on the Prix du Jockey Club festivities, please visit the France Galop website.

FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Sunday, Oct. 2, 2023:
UNITED KINGDOM
Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud
161 foals of racing age
18:10-KEMPTON PARK, 6f, Pointofblue (GB)
30,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2022

Calyx (GB) (Kingman {GB}), Coolmore Stud
103 foals of racing age
14:20-AYR, 6f, Dingwall (GB)
Too Darn Hot has a pair of runners at Yarmouth

Phoenix of Spain (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Irish National Stud
97 foals of racing age
15:40-YARMOUTH, 5.25f, Phoenix Duchess (Ire)
42,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Soldier’s Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud
121 foals of racing age
15:40-YARMOUTH, 5.25f, Born To Rock (Ire)
€17,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2022; £115,500
Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2023
14:20-AYR, 6f, Heroic Angel (Ire)
€14,000 Goffs Sportsman's Yearling Sale 2022; £40,000 Goffs
UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2023

Ten Sovereigns (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud
149 foals of racing age
18:10-LE MANS, 1100m, Phantom Lady (Fr)
Monday = Late Results:
3rd-Wolverhampton, £7,600, Novice, 5-23, 3yo/up, 7f 36y
(AWT), 1:28.95, st.

OWL ISLAND (IRE) (g, 3, Dark Angel {Ire}--Twinkleberry {Ire}, by
Kodiak (GB)), who scored on debut over this trip at Chelmsford
12 days previously, raced in the box seat early. Angled out to
take control a furlong from home, the 5-4 favourite readily
asserted to score by 2 3/4 lengths from Eden Storm (Ire)
(Starspangledbanner {Aus}). The winner is the first foal out of
the dam, who is an unraced half-sister to Dark Angel’s G1 July
Cup and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup-winning sire Harry Angel (Ire)
and to the G2 Mill Reef S. scorer Pierre Lapin (Ire) (Cappella
Sansevero (GB)). Also connected to the high-class Xtension (Ire)
(Xaar (GB)) and Supremacy (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}) and last year’s
G1 Prix de l’Abbaye runner-up White Lavender (Ire) (Heeraat
{Ire}), she has the 2-year-old filly Ribble Radiant (GB) (Ribchester
{Ire}) and a yearling colt by Iffraaj (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0,
$10,591.
O-Rabbah Racing; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

2nd-Royal Windsor, £11,900, Mdn, 5-22, 2yo, 6f 12yT, 1:14.36,
g/f.

PERFECT VIEW (GB) (g, 2, Outstrip {GB}--Hindsight {GB}, by
Sayif {Ire}) was well away from the stands’ side stall and raced in
a close-up fourth through the initial fractions of this debut.
Rowed along passing the quarter-mile marker, the 7-2 second
favourite quickened to the fore approaching the final furlong
and was ridden out in the closing stages to prevail by 1 3/4
lengths from Duly Spiced (GB) (Due Diligence). Perfect View is
the latest of three registered foals and second scorer produced
by a winning granddaughter of G1 King’s Stand S. third Orient
(GB) (Bay Express {Ire}), herself the dam of dual Group 3-
winning sire Orientor (GB) (Inchinor {GB}) and Listed Joel S.
victor Yeast (GB) (Salse). Sales history: 15,000gns Ylg 22
TATSOM. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, 1:0,591.
O-Ms E Banks, C Rosier & Mrs J Rosier; B-Manor Farm Stud
(Rutland) (GB); T-George Scott.
Cry Fiction, kin to a yearling colt by Cotai Glory (GB), is the third winner from as many runners produced by an unraced half-sister to the dual stakes-placed Illusion (GB) (Anabaa). The March-foaled chestnut’s stakes-winning second dam is kin to G2 Cherry Hinton S. victrix and G1 1000 Guineas third Dazzle (GB) (Gone West), stakes-winning G1 Grosser Preis von Berlin third Baschar (GB) (Starcraft {NZ}) and Listed Star S. winner Hypnotize (GB) (Machiavellian). Sales history: €7,000 Ylg ’22 GOFSPPT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $8,000. O-Ruffles Racing Club; B-Tom & Hazel Russell (IRE); T-Jonathan Portman.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

High Spirited (Ire), f, 3, Belardo (Ire)--Spirited Charm (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Royal Windsor, 5-22, 8f 31yT, 1:41.76. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $27,729. B-John Hanly (IRE). *€20,000 Wlg ’20 GOFNOV; 45,000gns Ylg ’21 TATCOT.

Loch Carron (Ire), f, 3, Gregorian (Ire)--Farran (Ire), by Fast Company (Ire). Ayr, 5-23, 6fT, 1:11.93. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $5,373. B-David Brickley (IRE). *90,000gns 2yo ’22 TATBRG.

Kehlani (Ire), f, 3, Muhaarar (GB)--Pyrenean Queen (Ire), by Zoffany (Ire). Brighton, 5-23, 7f 216yT, 1:35.77. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $5,207. B-Norelands Bloodstock (IRE). *32,000gns Ylg ’21 TATCOT. **1/2 to Messidor (Ire) (Vadamos {Fr}), GSP-US, SP-Ire, $291,962.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Port Louis (Ire), c, 2, James Garfield (Ire)--Rebel Aclaim (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). Roscommon, 5-22, 7f 48yT, 1:38.19. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $15,076. B-Rathbarry Stud (IRE).

Flawless Victory (Ire), f, 3, Australia (GB)--Golden Pearl (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). Roscommon, 5-22, 10f 13yT, 2:21.97. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, $11,492. B-Michael Enright (IRE). *£15,000 Ylg ’21 TATIRY; €72,000 2yo ’22 TATGOR.

Nation’s Call (Ire), c, 3, Frankel (GB)--Making Light (Ire) (MGSW-Ire, $220,764), by Tamayuz (GB). Gowran, 5-23, 8fT, 1:41.25. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, $12,692. B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd (IRE).

Perfect Portrait (GB), f, 3, Zoffany (Ire)--Perfect Clarity (GB) (SW-Eng), by Nathaniel (Ire). Gowran, 5-23, 9f 100yT, 2:02.22. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, $13,972. B-Cayton Park Stud Ltd (GB).
Vinnie Viola =s St Elias Stable LLC bred Louise Procter. The operation has five mares based in Europe. | The Jockey Club

**1st-Saint-Cloud Cont.**

The February-foaled grey is half to a yearling colt by Showcasing (GB). Sales history: 21,000gns Wlg ’21 TATFOA; 150,000gns Ylg ’22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-White Birch Farm; B-Josh Cameron (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

**2nd-Saint-Cloud, €30,000, Mdn, 5-23, unraced 2yo, f, 6ft, 1:15.95, g/s.**

**LOUISE PROCTER (FR) (f, 2, Siyouni {fr}--Create A Dream {SW-US}, by Oasis Dream {GB})** skipped a beat at the break, but recovered to track the leaders in a handy third after the early exchanges. Caught in traffic in the straight, the 7-2 second choice angled into a clear lane with 100 metres remaining and quickened smartly in the closing stages to defeat Concertation (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) by a nose on the line. Louise Procter is the third of four foals and second scorer produced by the stakes-winning Create A Dream (Oasis Dream {GB}), herself a half-sister to MGISW US champion Sistercharlie (Ire) (Myboycharlie {Ire}) and MGISP distaffer My Sister Nat (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}). The March-foaled bay is full to a yearling filly and a half to the unraced 2-year-old filly Galaxy (Ger) (Cloth Of Stars {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Philip Baron von Ullmann; B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER); T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

**3rd-Saint-Cloud, €27,000, Mdn, 5-23, unraced 3yo, c/g, 12ft, 2:49.49, g/s.**

**GOLIATH (GER) (g, 3, Adlerflug {Ger}--Gouache {Ger} {SW-Ger}, by Shamardal) dwelt at the break, but soon recovered to track a sedate tempo in fourth. Making smooth headway once into the home straight, the 7-10 chalk launched his challenge with 300 metres remaining and was pushed out inside the final furlong to defeat Caregiver (Fr) (Literato {Fr}) by 1 1/4 lengths in snug fashion. Goliath is the second foal and scorer produced by Listed Hoppegartener Stutenpreis victrix Gouache (Ger) (Shamardal), herself a half-sister to MGISW G2 Gerling-Preis winner Guardini (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}) and stakes-winning G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten and G3 T S Carlyn Cup third Guizot (Ire) (Tertullian). His dual stakes-winning second dam Guantana (Ger) (Dynaformer) is out of G1 Oaks d'Italia-winning matriarch Guadalupe (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). The February-foaled homebred bay is full to a yearling filly and a half to the unraced 2-year-old filly Galaxy (Ger) (Cloth Of Stars {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER); T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

**4th-Saint-Cloud, €27,000, Mdn, 5-23, unraced 3yo, f, 12ft, 2:38.08, g/s.**

**ZARWARA (FR) (f, 3, Medaglia D’Oro--Zarkamiya {Fr} {SW & G1SP-Fr, $144,304}, by Frankel {GB})** was well away from the gates and seized an early lead. Holding a narrow advantage into the straight, the 33-10 second favourite was shaken up with 500 metres remaining and stayed on strongly under mild coaxing inside the final quarter-mile to withstand the persistent threat of Orofina (Ire) (Australia {GB}) by a length. Zarwara, half-sister to a yearling filly by Siyouni (Fr), is the first of two foals out of stakes-winning G1 Prix Vermeille runner-up Zarkamiya (Fr) (Frankel {GB}), herself a half-sister to G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud hero Zarak (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) and Listed Prix Charles Laffitte victrix Zaykava (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}). The March-foaled homebred bay’s second dam is MG1SW European champion Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan’s Studs SC (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Way To Marseille (Fr), g, 3, Galiway (GB)--Carchi (GB), by Kyllachy (GB). Marseille-Borely, 5-22, 13ft, 2:47.77. B-Gousserie Racing (FR)

All Bright (GB), f, 3, Nathaniel (Ire)--All The Rage (GB), by Dubawi (Ire). Marseille-Borely, 5-22, 8 1/2ft, 1:48.94. B-Denford Stud (GB)
YULONG BUYS FORBIDDEN LOVE FOR $4.1-MILLION, SPENDS $19 MILLION TOTAL

by TDN AusNZ

Offered by Newgate Consignment, Forbidden Love (All Too Hard) topped Day 1 of the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale, selling to Yulong for $4.1 million on a strong day of trade.

At A Glance:

• Nine million-dollar mares sold on Tuesday, bringing the aggregate up to $50,732,000 at the close of trade, up from $44,935,500 last year.

• The average was also improved at $264,229, compared to $249,642 in 2022.

• The median was down slightly, from $120,000 last year to finish at $110,000 at the end of Day 1 on Tuesday.

• By the close of trade, 192 had sold for a clearance rate of 86.1%, down fractionally from 87.38%.

• Forbidden Love emerged from the Newgate Consignment to top the day's trade at $4.1 million. She sold to Yulong, who saw off competition from Tom Magnier and Katsumi Yoshida.

• In total, Yulong added 35 mares to its arsenal, spending a gross of $19,031,000 to lead the buyers, including four millionaires. Tom Magnier was the leading buyer by average, spending $2,033,333 apiece on three mares.

• The Newgate Consignment was the day’s leading vendor, selling 30 for a total of $16,414,000.

Lot 568 - Forbidden Love (All Too Hard x Juliet’s Princess {USA} {More Than Ready {USA}}) - $4.1 million to Yulong Stud

Hailed as potentially the ‘brightest star of them all’ by Magic Millions auctioneer Steve Davis, Forbidden Love, a daughter of the Vinery Stud-based All Too Hard, was knocked down to Yulong for an incredible $4.1 million after they outlasted Katsumi Yoshida, who was bidding online.

Trained by Michael Freedman, Forbidden Love counts three Group 1s among her eight career wins. Successful in the G1 Surround S. as a 3-year-old, she trained on to record victories in the G1 George Ryder S. and the G1 Canterbury S.

The 5-year-old mare is the second foal from the More Than Ready (USA) mare Juliet’s Princess (USA), a five-time winner and most notably placed in the Listed Laelia S.

Forbidden Love predominantly hails from a North American family, counting the G3 Saranac S. winner River Squall (USA) and the Group 3-winning mare Better Now (USA) (Thunder Gulch {USA}), who in turn has produced the G2 Elkhorn S. victor Dark Cove (USA).

Henry Field, whose Newgate Consignment offered the star mare, said he was delighted with the result, though he wasn’t totally surprised at her hefty price-tag given how rare a proposition Forbidden Love is.

“We knew that she was going to sell well,” he said. “She's a triple Group 1 winner and beautiful.

“She had all the hallmarks of a top-end-of-town mare. It was an international bidding duel between the three most prominent players on the planet, and Mr Zhang from Yulong was the victor.

“He’s bought himself a rare entity.

“She’s a special mare, and they’ll have a lot of fun with her for many years to come. She’ll be a foundation mare. She’ll stack up at the top of any broodmare band anywhere in the world, and he’s been buying the best of the best.”
Lot 700 - Sunshine In Paris (Invader x Zenaida {NZ} {Zabeel (NZ)}) - $3.9 million James Harron Bloodstock

Group 1-winning 3-year-old filly Sunshine In Paris (Invader) was offered as part of the Newgate Consignment, and it was a fresh face on the scene, James Harron of James Harron Bloodstock, who signed the cheque for $3.9 million.

Trained by Annabel Neasham, who was open to admit she would love to see the filly train on under her name. Sunshine In Paris is a veteran of only five starts and has had a meteoric rise through the classes. Breaking her maiden at the first time of asking in Canberra, by her fifth start, the daughter of Invader would claim the scalps of some of the best fillies in the land in the G1 Surround S., denying Ruthless Dame (NZ) (Tavistock {NZ}) who was recently crowned a Group 1-victress in the G1 Robert Sangster S.

Sunshine In Paris is the third foal from the Zabeel (NZ) mare Zenaida (NZ). She is a half-sister to the multiple Group 1 winner Vosne Romanee (NZ) (Electronic Zone (USA)). Sunshine In Paris is a half-sister to the G3 Typhoon Tracy S. winner Macroura (Snitzel).

James Harron shared that the purchase of Sunshine In Paris was something James Harron Bloodstock had been working towards. “It’s been something we’ve put together, we’ve got some clients, and we’ve been working on it for a while.

“Basically, we feel like she’s such a wonderful racing prospect. Very rarely do these sort of fillies come onto the market; we see the prices of yearlings these days and the costs of some of these yearling fillies.

“She’s already got a big win on the board, but she’s only had a handful of starts and has a massive future ahead of her.

“We’re going to enjoy racing her for the time being, and then she’ll be into the broodmare barn later on down the track.”

Lot 645 - Snapdancer (Choisir x Snapdragon {Ire} {Galileo {Ire}}) - $3.2 million to Yulong Stud

Consigned by Sullivan Bloodstock, the star race mare Snapdancer (Choisir) was expected to attract attention due to her lofty achievements on the racetrack, that she did, selling to $3.2 million to Yulong Stud.

Trained by Ciaron Maher and David Eustace in the colours of Brad Spicer’s Spicer Thoroughbreds, Snapdancer was a seven-time winner; amongst those seven victories was the G1 CF Orr S. and the G1 Robert Sangster S.

She also claimed the Magic Millions Fillies and Mares H. on the Gold Coast’s marquee day.

Snapdancer is the eighth foal from the Galileo (Ire) mare Snapdragon (Ire). Snapdancer is a half-sister to Drago (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), who was placed in the G3 Up And Coming S. and finished fourth in the G1 Sires’ Produce S., and G1 Champagne S.

Darren Weir Racing and Brad Spicer of Spicer Thoroughbreds, who purchased Snapdancer as a yearling from the 2018 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale for $180,000, was pleased with the international participation on his star mare.

“Quite excited. We knew that the bigger players were going to be on the horse at that level. We were hoping Yulong, Coolmore and Mr Yoshida were all there, and they were.

“Sherah, a lot of credit must also go to her. It has just been an incredible journey.

“Everyone would be relieved that it has put a full stop to her career.

“Bit sad as well but excited because we’re going to see her progeny go through the run year after year.

“She showed form early on, and she kept improving, and the excitement (of the owners) kept growing.

“She’s a dream horse for what we go and source at yearling sales. To see her on a racetrack and to see her here today, she’s ticked every box along the way.”
We’re grateful to be involved in a horse like her.” For Sherah Sullivan of Sullivan Bloodstock and Snapdancer, it was a reunion. Sullivan was previously the manager of Noorilim Park, where Snapdancer was raised; Sullivan was honored to sell the daughter of Choisir.

“Unbelievable to see. I’m very emotional; I’ve only just ventured out on my own, and to have the honor of selling a mare like Snapdancer has been magnificent.”

Lot 676 - Piping Hot (More Than Ready {USA} x Ribe {Danehill {USA}}) - $3 million to Tom Magnier

The only proven producer amongst the top lots on Day 1 of the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale, Piping Hot (More Than Ready {USA}) is a truly rare prospect to be offered to the open market by Milburn Creek. Sensing the opportunity to be had, Tom Magnier of Coolmore Stud went to $3 million to secure the dam of the star 3-year-old filly Coolangatta (Written Tycoon).

Piping Hot, at only nine years old and dam of three foals to date, is carrying a pregnancy to Champion Sire I Am Invincible and has an unraced half-sister to Coolangatta.

Piping Hot’s second foal, Coolangatta, has had just eight starts for Ciaron Maher and David Eustace but has twice won at the elite level against the older horses in the G1 Moir S. and the G1 Lighting S.

Coolangatta also claimed the R. Listed Magic Millions 2YO Classic on the Gold Coast and was third in the G1 Golden Slipper, and is currently being prepped for a Royal Ascot trip next month, where she’ll take on the G1 King’s Stand S.

Magnier expressed his confidence in buying Piping Hot, having bought Samaready, by the same sire in More Than Ready (USA), when carrying to Snitzel—the resultant foal being this season’s G1 Golden Slipper S. winner Shinzo.

“She’s in foal to I Am Invincible, Coolangatta is a champion, and she’s a gorgeous-looking type, so we’re delighted to get her,” he said.

“The roster at home couldn’t be going any better with Wootton Bassett, Justify, So You Think, all those stallions, so we can just take her home and see what the foal looks like.

“Obviously, we were very fortunate with Samaready, so I suppose that gives you the confidence to buy these kinds of mares.

“We have the stallions, and we’ve obviously been trying to buy some nice mares over the last couple of years, and the market is very strong in Australia, and that gives us confidence.”

Lot 575 - Isotope (Deep Field x Great Dansaar {Choisir}) - $2.3 million to Yulong Stud

It was the expectation that 5-year-old mare Isotope (Deep Field) would be one of the highlights of a catalogue packed with class, and she didn’t disappoint.

Purchased back in 2019, Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale by her trainer Tony Golan, John Foote Bloodstock and Black Soil Bloodstock, the latter run by the partnership of Eureka Stud’s Harry McAlpine and Brian Siemsen.

Offered by Eureka Stud on Tuesday, the star mare was knocked down at $2.3 million selling to the usual suspects, Yulong.

As described by McAlpine, “You would be hard-pressed finding a better type of mare than Isotope.”

Isotope brought looks, race record and pedigree to the Magic Millions Bundall complex.

She was a triple Listed winner on the track who placed at Group 2 level and ran a gallant fourth in the G1 Stradbroke H.

Isotope has significantly benefited from the exploits of the former star mare Yankee Rose (All American) and her daughter Liberty Island (Jpn) (Duramente {Jpn}).

Yulong Stud’s Chief Operating Officer Sam Fairgray commented, “Isotope is obviously a fast mare, but she was just a beautiful mare and the recent pedigree update of Liberty Island helps things.”

Liberty Island is fast becoming a star in her native Japan, claiming the first two legs of the Japanese Fillies’ Triple Crown in the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) and the G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) on Sunday.

“Physically, Isotope was just a beautiful mare, so we’re really pleased we’ve ended up with her.”

As for who Isotope will visit in her first season at stud is still up in the air, although Fairgray concedes it would likely be a Yulong-based stallion.

“We’ll try and weigh it up once we see what we end up with and then we can decide where they go,” Fairgray said.
“The likelihood is we'll support our stallions with the mares we buy.
“We potentially could send some mares over to Frankel to get bred to Southern Hemisphere time, but that’s why we’re waiting till after the sale to make plans.”

Lot 693 - Paris Dior (Pierro x Entrancing {Exceed And Excel}) - $1.6 million to Tom Magnier
Paris Dior was offered by Yarraman Park Stud as a breeding proposition only, and it was Tom Magnier of Coolmore Stud who secured the daughter of Pierro, who Coolmore Stud stands at their Jerrys Plains property.
Trained by Peter and Paul Snowden, Paris Dior was a dual-winner, including the G2 Percy Sykes at Randwick.
Paris Dior is the first foal from the Exceed And Excel mare Entrancing. She was a five-time winner.
Paris Dior is a full sister to Queen Of Dragons, who was fourth in the Listed Bill Carter S. last Saturday at Doomben and from the same family as To Catch A Thief (NZ) (U S Navy Flag (USA)), who placed in the Listed Champagne S.
Magnier was keen to point out the impression Pierro is making as a broodmare sire despite being at a young age.
“I think Pierro as a broodmare sire has become a real talking point. He’s doing a great job as a broodmare sire, and he’s doing a great job on the racetracks.
“She’s very good-looking, and we’ll take her home, but the Pierro factor was a big part of the play there.”
“We really are going to sit back, and the big thing is that we're trying to find those Pierro fillies.
“I think she could suit Justify. I think she could suit Home Affairs. We'll have a think about it.
“It is a pedigree that has a lot of upside.”

Lot 638 - Shades Of Rose (Rubick x Rose Of Mulan {More Than Ready (USA)}) - $1.6 million to Arrowfield Stud
Offered as part of the Yarraman Park Stud draft was the Group 2-winning daughter of Rubick, Shades Of Rose, was purchased for $1.6 million by Arrowfield Stud.
Trained by the Warwick Farm-based Bjorn Baker, Shades Of Rose has won seven and four races in succession.
Shades Of Rose is the third foal from the unraced More Than Ready (USA) mare Rose Of Mulan.
Rose Of Mulan is proving quite the broodmare; her first foal Scallopi (Snitzel) has won 13 races, including the G3 Shaftesbury H. and her daughter Red Rubi a full sister to Shades Of Rose was a six-time victress.
Shades Of Rose’s second dam is the Bigstone (Ire) mare Lady Of Mulan (NZ), who won the G2 Light Finger S. and the G3 Adrian Knox S.
Lady Of Mulan, in addition, was placed twice at the elite level.
Arrowfield Stud’s Jon Freyer was thrilled to secure the mare commenting on what a magnificent physical Shades Of Rose and hinted at a potential partner for her first season at stud.
“We thought Shades Of Rose was a magnificent physical, and she was just a super-talented, a very fast filly, and they’re the sorts we want to have in our broodmare band.
“She’s a half to a really good horse by Snitzel (Scallopi), so we'll either mate her to Snitzel or The Autumn Sun.
“She was just a filly that we admired for so long. It’s a family we like, and we think she’ll match really well with our stallions.”
Freyer was confident that Shades Of Rose’s effort in The Everest would hold her in good stead for the next part of her career.
“The Everest is a great race and she was right up with the very best horses in the country, colts and geldings as well, so when you get fillies that are competitive against the male sex, it augurs well and I think she’s the perfect specimen for a number of our stallions.”

Lot 502 - Vangelic (Vancouver x Angel Bee (NZ) {Pins}) - $1.5 million to Tom Magnier
Starting with a bang, the 5-year-old mare Vangelic, a daughter of Woodside Park Stud’s recent acquisition Vancouver, was knocked down to Tom Magnier of Coolmore Stud for $1.5 million.
Vangelic, trained by Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, was a dual winner on the track counting the G2 Golden Pendant on her CV and placings in the G1 Surround S., and the G1 Flight S.
The mare is the third foal from the Pins mare Angel Bee (NZ). She was a four-time winner and placed in the G3 Toy Show H. and the Listed Mona Lisa S.
Vangelic’s second dam Zabeels Angel (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), was a durable race mare winning nine times. She was victorious in the G3 Winter Cup and was placed in the G2 Chelmsford S.

Furthermore, this is the family of the stakes-placed Revolving Door (Sebring) and Golden Spin (Medaglia D’Oro {USA}).

Magnier provided insight on who Vangelic is likely to visit for her first season at stud, “I suppose the way things are going for us at the moment, Justify is going very well, Wootton Bassett obviously has the favourite for the 2-year-old race at home, he’s going very well, Home Affairs has best the mares in foal (and we’ve got) Shinzo.

“But we’ll take her home, she’s a mare that has a lot of quality, Vangelic is very good-looking, so she’d be an asset to any stallion.

“Vangelic hails from a good pedigree, she was just a lovely physical–she was one of the nicest physicals we saw–and she was well-rated by all the team at Coolmore.

“Whatever the offspring out of her will sell very well, so we can be excited by that.”

Lot 620 - Promise Of Success (GB) (Dansili {GB} x Summer School {Ire} {Street Cry {Ire}}) - $1.3 million to Yulong Stud

Bringing a European flavour to the Bundall complex was the 6-year-old mare Promise Of Success (GB) (Dansili {GB}) was purchased for $1.3 million by Yulong.

Trained by John O’Shea, Promise Of Success has won five races, including the G2 Emancipation S. and the $2 million The Invitation.

Offered as a racing and breeding proposition, Promise Of Success is due to take her place in Saturday’s G1 Kingsford-Smith Cup at Eagle Farm if her new owner elects to.

Sam Fairgray cautioned her followers that Promise Of Success may head straight to the G1 Tatt’s Tiara where she will sport the colours of Mr Yuesheng Zhang’s Yulong Stud.

“John’s (O’Shea) mapped out a program, I think, where she races Saturday, and then the Tatt’s Tiara is what he was aiming for.

“We’ll just see how she looks for Saturday and whether we run or whether we wait and go straight into the Tatt’s.”

Promise Of Success has proven a wise investment by Rosemont Stud, who offered her on Tuesday at the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale.

David Redvers Bloodstock and Rosemont Stud went to 27,000gns (AU$53,000 ) at the 2020 Tattersalls December Mares Sales.

A daughter of the late Juddmonte Farms' stallion, Dansili (GB), a sire of over 150 stakes winners.