INTO MISCHIEF COLT PUNCTUATES FRENETIC FINISH TO OBS JUNE SALE

by Jessica Martini

OCALA, FL - A flurry of late activity carried the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training to its conclusion Thursday in Ocala, with final numbers slightly off the auction's robust 2022 renewal.

"Coming off of a record gross of last year, I think we kind of held our own," said OBS Director of Sales Tod Wojciechowski. "It seemed like the market held up through the entire season. There were no big surprises—the market is what the market is. There is money for the perceived higher quality horses and sometimes it can get a little tough in the middle."

Over three days, 630 head sold for $23,777,900—down from a year ago when 666 horses sold for a sale record gross of $27,052,000. The sale average of $37,743 dropped 7.1% from a year ago, while the median dropped 10.6% to $21,000. With 136 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 17.8%. That figure is almost par with the 2022 figure of 17.4%, which includes post-sale transactions.

Three of the auction’s top six prices came from its supplemental section late in Thursday's final session.

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FLORIDA TRAINERS SURE TO FEEL IMPACT OF DRACONIAN NEW IMMIGRATION LAW

by Dan Ross

Last month, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis signed into state law the self-described "strongest anti-illegal immigration legislation in the country."

Under the new statute—the bulk of which goes into effect on July 1—business owners with 25 or more employees must use E-Verify to confirm the immigration status of new hires, and be subjected to enforceable penalties for employing undocumented workers, as well as stricter penalties for sending undocumented workers across state lines to work in Florida, among other provisions.

When enforced, the new stringent laws are highly likely to impact everyone in the industry from trainers, farm managers, and the workers themselves. The TDN reached out to several stakeholders either based in Florida or who regularly race there. Some were unaware of the new law, while others downplayed its impacts.

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INTERNATIONAL CAST READIES FOR ASCOT

An international cast of runners have converged on Newmarket in advance of next week's Royal Ascot meeting.
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW: NEW HISA DRUG SANCTIONS

The Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association (THA) issued a reminder Thursday of the possible sanctions under the new federal framework of HIWU.

ILLINOIS PURSE INCREASES ARE ‘A BAND-AID’

Purses will be on the short-term rise at the tracks in Illinois, thanks to a pair of recent money recovery efforts initiated by the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association (ITHA).

STRAIGHT NO CHASER SIDELINED

The GIII Maryland Sprint winner has an “area of concern” and will get a break.
Final day of OBS June, cont. from p1

John Fahey made the day’s highest bid, going to $475,000 for a colt by Into Mischief who was consigned by Tom McCrocklin.

A total of 11 juveniles sold for $200,000 or more during the sale, compared to 21 who hit that mark last year.

The June sale was described throughout the week as polarized and spotty. Many of these same consignors who were selling 2-year-olds in Ocala this week will now be looking ahead to purchasing yearlings beginning next month in Lexington.

“We are putting together a plan on what we are going to do,” Randy Hartley said of expectations for Hartley/DeRenzo’s strategy for the upcoming yearling sales.

Asked if he expected any perceived softening in the 2-year-old market this year would translate to the yearling sales, he said, “You don’t know because horse people have amnesia. They will go right back there and we will be fighting over them in July.”

Playing at the top of the pinhooking market, Hartley/DeRenzo enjoyed a strong year in the sales ring.

“The market we play in is the most riskiest market but it’s the safest market,” he said. “Because people with a lot of money want the best horses. It’s what we do and it’s the kind of horses we try to buy.”

The Gladwells’ Top Line Sales topped the OBS March sale with a $2-million colt by Good Magic. Jimbo Gladwell admitted the operation will be more selective in its yearling purchases, but ultimately will maintain the same approach.

“I don’t think we are going to change anything, but we are probably just going to be a little more particular about what we are buying,” Gladwell said.

“The market seems really polarized towards perceived quality, but we are still going to shop every sale and just try to pick up quality horses where we find them.

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Final day of OBS June, cont.

“These last couple of sales have been tough, but it’s mainly been tough on the ones that don’t make the cut or reach the bar of what people set for what they think is acceptable. If you don’t reach the bar, it’s very difficult to get them sold. But as long as you jump through all of the hoops and they vet good, and are fast enough, you can do very well. You just have to be very particular when you are buying them because there is not much room for error.”

While the top end of the market inevitably takes care of itself, middle-market pinhooks have been more affected by the increased polarization in the juvenile market this spring.

“I am going to have to be very selective,” Bryan Rice of Woodside Ranch said of his yearling buying plans. “The horses that I was right on, I was able to succeed with. Any horse that I missed the mark at all on, it was pretty unforgiving. So, as I move forward, it has to be really a horse that strikes me in all aspects and that I really believe in.”

Asked if he expected a less competitive yearling market this fall, Rice said, “It probably will be. At least in the middle. I don’t think there will be [any softening] in the top. I think it will stay strong, but those of us who make a living moving the intermediate horses, we are going to have to be really selective and really careful with our money.”

Into Mischief Colt Leads the Way Thursday

Bloodstock agent John Fahey made a pair of high-priced purchases on behalf of undisclosed clients from the supplemental section of the OBS June sale, ultimately paying a session-topping $475,000 for a colt by Into Mischief (hip 1074) just 10 hips from the auction’s end. Consigned by Tom McCrocklin, the bay colt is out of Canadian champion Delightful Mary (Limehouse). Cont.
Hip 1066 sold for $370,000 after breezing in :9.4
Buyer: Justin Casse, agent
Breeder: Pony Express Sales, Inc.
Consignor: Julie Davies LLC

Highest-priced horse by a freshman sire at OBS June & the highest-priced filly overall
Final day of OBS June, cont.

“He’s a big, beautiful Into Mischief colt,” Fahey said of the juvenile who worked a quarter-mile in :21 flat. “He could be a stallion. We will go to the races and find out.”

Fahey said the colt’s final price tag was not a surprise. “Into Mischief is the best stallion in the world and he stands for $250,000,” Fahey said. “And they put all this work into him to get to this point and we get him for basically double the stud fee.”

A few hips earlier, Fahey went to $370,000 to acquire a filly by Flameaway (hip 1066).

“I bought her for a client of Justin Casse’s,” Fahey said. “She did everything, jumped through all of the hoops. The good ones are expensive.”

The gray filly is out of Tomato Bisque (Macho Uno), a full-sister to graded winner Macho Macho (Macho Uno). Consigned by Julie Davies, the juvenile worked a furlong in :9 4/5. She was purchased for $50,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale.

Fahey purchased six horses at the three-day auction; bidding on behalf of Stone Bridge Farm, he paid $52,000 for a filly by Violence (hip 703); on behalf of Lazy Creek, he paid $17,000 for a colt by Karakontie (Jpn) (hip 323); and as agent, he purchased a colt by Palace Malice (hip 601) for $20,000.

“I felt like if people didn’t want to go to the races, you could buy a nice horse that vets for $150,000 easy,” Fahey said of the market at OBS this week. “But if they want to go to the races, they are going to protect them.”

Arrogate Colt to Delgado, Restrepo

Ramiro Restrepo and Gustavo Delgado, Jr., who teamed up to purchase future GI Kentucky Derby winner Mage (Good Magic) as a 2-year-old last year, put together a new partnership to acquire a colt from the last crop of Arrogate (hip 868) for $375,000 during Thursday’s final session of the OBS June sale.

Consigned by Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, the dark bay colt is out of Epic Scataway (Scat Daddy) and worked a furlong last week in :10 flat.

With time winding down on the juvenile sales season, Restrepo agreed there was a desire to acquire a colt by the late champion who was responsible for last week’s GI Belmont S. winner Arcangelo.

“Obviously, when we look back at what Arrogate has done as a sire in his limited crops, it’s unbelievable,” Restrepo said. “A Classic winner, graded stakes winners, it’s just an incredible loss to the game. This is going to be one of the last available ones up for purchase. The colt had an extraordinary work and he is a tremendous physical. For us, we really buy in limited boutique numbers and this horse just kind fit everything we were looking for.”

Restrepo said Delgado was absolutely committed to buying the juvenile.

“Gustavo loved this horse to the moon,” Restrepo said. “He must have gone back to the barn six times and was so, so high on the horse. Arcangelo was our neighbor. Gustavo, Jr. saw Arcangelo walking the shedrow from day one, so he had a front row seat in seeing his development and seeing how these Arrogates progress. And this horse was in line with those other ones. So it just struck a chord with Jr., big time.” Cont.
**Final day of OBS June, cont.**

The partnership also purchased a colt by Into Mischief (hip 477) for $300,000 at last month's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May sale—the same auction where they acquired Mage last spring.

“Our mindset is that we want to buy really nice racehorses with talent and ability that can go and be whatever they are going to be—champion sprinters, champion grass horses, middle-distance horses, Derby horses, whatever. We are looking for good, talented horses and hopefully it all comes together later this fall. Our mindset has always been the same, just find talented runners that can take us places, whether it's the Kentucky Derby or the Travers next year or whatever. We are just hoping for a fantastic effort and our new partners have fun.”

Hip 868 was named Victory Avenue when he went through the sales ring at OBS Thursday, but his path to the auction was anything but paved straight. He was purchased by Dean De Renzo and Randy Hartley for $150,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale. He returned to the sales ring in Ocala sporting an impressive scar across his neck.

“We have a night watchman who lives on the farm and he checked everything around 12-12:30 a.m. right around Christmas one night and everything was fine,” Hartley explained. “I came to the barn at 4 a.m. and he had gotten cast in his stall. He rubbed his shoulder and his back and took off pretty much all the hide. So he had to spend a month at the clinic, rehabbing and getting the hyperbaric chamber and getting him to heal good.”

Hartley said the colt didn't get broke until April and he almost didn't take the handsome dark bay to the June sale.

“I didn't think after the year we had that Dean was going to make me come, but we had another colt in the sale and he said, 'Why don't you just take the black colt?' I said, 'He's never breezed before.' We started to break him in April. But he came over here and he was training like he's a little professional.”

Hartley/DeRenzo had a good spring with offspring of Arrogate. At the OBS Spring sale, the consignment sold a colt by the late sire for $1.45 million. At the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May sale, the consignment topped the sale with a $1-million daughter of the late champion.

“I know there are no more Arrogates, so I'm like what am I going to buy now?” Hartley said. “I guess I'll be buying some Good Magics and some Justifys—I love the Justifys.”

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**Into Mischief**

has 37 'TDN Rising Stars'.

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## Session Toppers

### OBS June Sale

**Thursday’s Top Lots**

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**1072**
- **colt** Vino Rosso--Deanaallen'skitten
  - **$300,000 PS**
  - **($115,000 wnlg '21 KEENOV)**
  - **Breeder:** Kenneth & Sarah Ramsey (Ky)
  - **Consignor:** McKathan Bros. Sales, Agent VI
  - **Purchaser:** Three Amigos

**1046**
- **filly** Not This Time--Paradise Bird
  - **$190,000**
  - **($100,000 yrl '22 FTMOCT)**
  - **Breeder:** Mr & Mrs Charles McGinnes (Md)
  - **Consignor:** Classic Bloodstock LLC, Agent II
  - **Purchaser:** Robert Lambe

**0901**
- **filly** Constitution--Five Star Rampage
  - **$160,000**
  - **($70,000 yrl '22 FTKOCT)**
  - **Breeder:** Susan Casner (Ky)
  - **Consignor:** de Meric Sales, Agent I
  - **Purchaser:** Donato Lanni, Agent for Baoma Corp.

**1068**
- **colt** Good Magic--Annathela
  - **$160,000**
  - **($45,000 wnlg '21 KEENOV; $110,000 yrl '22 FTKOCT; $240,000 RNA 2yo '23 FTMMAY)**
  - **Breeder:** Alessandro Miserocchi (Ky)
  - **Consignor:** McKathan Bros. Sales, Agent VI
  - **Purchaser:** Luis Gavignano
Classic Causeway got his first feel of Newmarket Heath Thursday morning, galloping on the Between the Ditches course. Kenny McPeek’s entrant in Wednesday’s Group 1 Prince of Wales’s Stakes was ridden by the legendary Danny Ramsey.

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According to Julio Rubio, backstretch services coordinator and Hispanic liaison for the Kentucky Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association, an unusual amount of backstretch workers have recently come to Kentucky from Florida.

Rubio has also fielded calls from trainers in Florida who have already lost employees. "Some of them left for South Carolina. Illinois. They’re just getting out of there," Rubio said.

Immigration experts warn that the bill contains key provisions that employers should be aware of if they’re planning to do business in Florida.

According to Will Velie, an immigration attorney with many clients in the racing industry, what is startling about the bill is that it co-opts state governmental agencies into enforcing federal immigration laws.

"The state is creating its own role in this which is unprecedented," Velie said. "This is by far the biggest incursion of state law into the federal immigration domain." Cont.
They remain 59 seconds that changed the Royal meeting forever. The unheralded interloper from the other side of the world, for many Choisir was a novelty; certainly bookmakers thought so, chalking his odds at 25/1. But then the starting gates opened: what followed was a sustained demonstration of speed. Serious, brutal speed.

And so was launched Australia’s two decades embrace of Royal Ascot. It helped, of course, that Choisir doubled-downed on his advantage four days later, becoming the first horse to win the King’s Stand and Golden Jubilee in the same year. Then there were the followers: in the next nine years there were six more Australian-bred winners at the Royal meeting.
**Takeover Target**

**2006 G2 King’s Stand Stakes**
Bought by his owner & trainer for just $1,250.00 he won eight Gr.1s and over $6 million in prizemoney.

**Miss Andretti**

**2007 G2 King’s Stand Stakes**
A four-time Gr.1 winner before Ascot, she smashed the track record by over two seconds.

**Habaradusun**

**2008 G1 Queen Anne Stakes**
Named after a legendary Japanese boxer, he had won the historic Doncaster Handicap at Randwick the previous year.

**Scenic Blast**

**2009 G1 King’s Stand Stakes**
A son of Choisir, he won a 2000 Guineas in Australia before joining Aidan O’Brien’s stable ahead of Ascot.

**Starspangledbanner**

**2010 G1 Golden Jubilee Stakes**
A son of Choisir, he won a 2000 Guineas in Australia before joining Aidan O’Brien’s stable ahead of Ascot.

**Merchant Navy**

**2018 G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes**
He was still only a 3yo when winning under Ryan Moore.
Two decades on from the heroics of Choisir, those victories continue to inspire. There may be more dollars to be earned at home, but racing has always been about the contest: not just against rivals on the track, but against the norm, the accepted, the boundaries of possibility.

As we look forward to our Australian-bred runners at this year’s Royal meeting, we remember the achievements of a horse that gifted racing new horizons.

Who will write the next chapter?

Nature Strip
1st G1 King’s Stand Stakes

The Speed Machine
Cemented his status as the world’s best sprinter with a dominant 4½ length win.

Good Luck
ARTORIUS - THE ASTROLOGIST - CANNONBALL
COOLANGATTA - WELLINGTON
Immigration laws impact Florida, cont.

For trainers shipping horses into Florida to race from out of state, a notable provision under Senate Bill 1718 is the criminalization of “knowingly or willingly” sending into Florida an undocumented individual across state lines—what could amount to a state felony.

According to Albany-based immigration attorney, Leonard D’Arrigo, of the law firm Harris Beach, the language of the bill is frustratingly vague. For example, the bill states that the employer would only be at risk of prosecution if they know, or "reasonably" should have known, that the employee is undocumented. Nevertheless, he recommends that employers take nothing for granted.

"You have to be thinking about, 'who are we driving into the state if they get pulled over by the police and asked for documentation to prove legal status?'" said D’Arrigo. "If they're unable to prove legal status, there's liability--the employer could ultimately be responsible."

Another key change is that employers with 25 or more employees must now use the electronic employment verification system, E-Verify, to check the immigration status for all new employees. If the system red-flags the individual as undocumented, then the business employs that person at its own risk.

Importantly, an employer must retain a copy of the documents used by an employee to prove their immigrations status, along with the official verification generated by E-Verify, for at least three years.

This requirement for employers is important. The bill authorizes the state to request any copies of documents used for employment verification purposes from business owners.

And come July 1 next year, state law enforcement will be able to perform audits of businesses it believes isn’t following E-Verify requirements. Cont.
Immigration laws impact Florida, cont.

According to D’Arrigo, the added layer of paperwork from E-Verify will likely hamper hiring practices for trainers and farm owners in Florida. This is a state where 25% of the workforce are immigrants, and where about 65% of agricultural and equine-related jobs are filled by immigrant workers.

Furthermore, there are estimated to be over 710,000 undocumented individuals in the Florida workforce. A 2021 report found that some 42% of Florida’s farm workers are undocumented.

"They've been getting by for years without this additional scrutiny," said D’Arrigo, of the current system whereby immigrant workers present "I-9 documentation" to illustrate proof of work status—what often proves a "good faith" arrangement.

"Now, employers are going to know immediately whether those documents are fake or whether they're real," D’Arrigo said, who emphasized how the new E-Verify requirements only apply to new hires.

The possible sanctions aren’t exactly chump change.

For employers who fail to use E-Verify as required three times in any 24-month period, for example, the state can impose fines of $1,000 a day "until the employer provides sufficient proof to the department that the noncompliance is cured."

Furthermore, the new law also creates incrementally more serious violation sanctions to business owners pinned to the number of undocumented workers employed there and frequency of violations, said D’Arrigo. In a worst-case scenario, the employer could lose their state business license.

At the same time, a worker found to use false identification to gain employment faces a possible $5,000 fine and a five-year prison sentence.

While the new E-Verify requirements apply only to companies with 25 or more employees, D’Arrigo cautions for smaller businesses and their workers to be mindful in other ways.

Trainers and farm owners near the 25-employee cut off need to be vigilant if they exceed that threshold at any time, as this will dramatically affect their hiring practices.

Another important wrinkle in the new immigration landscape in Florida concerns the ability to legally take to the road. According to D’Arrigo, the state Department of Motor Vehicles is expected to maintain a list of drivers’ licenses that other states issue to undocumented individuals. Why is this important?

The new law bars counties and municipalities from issuing identification documents like drivers’ licenses to individuals unable to prove their legal immigration status. At the same time, Florida law enforcement officers will be ordered to issue citations to anyone using one of the out-of-state licenses listed by the DMV who is unable to prove legal immigration status, said D’Arrigo.

"It’s only going to come up if somebody gets pulled over in the normal course of a traffic violation. At that point, the law enforcement officer is directed, if it’s one of those out-of-state licenses, to ensure that the person is legally in the U.S.," said D’Arrigo. "If not, they're to issue them a citation."

Then comes the issue of workplace injuries. "If somebody gets injured at the track and they're undocumented, they can usually get emergency aid," said D’Arrigo.

As of July 1, Florida hospitals accepting Medicaid are required to collect patient immigration information on administration or registration forms. These same hospitals are also required to provide a caveat on forms stating that the response will not affect patient care or result in a referral to the immigration authorities. But that’s still not enough to allay workers’ fears, warned D’Arrigo.

"Although the law says that they cannot share that information, it's still possible it will be shared nonetheless, and potentially transmitted to immigration authorities," said D’Arrigo. "So, [undocumented] workers are now going to be hesitant to get the medical care that they need because they're going to be fearful from being on the record."

For Velie, the most chilling provision in the law is that it opens the door for individuals to report to the authorities a "good faith" belief that certain employees are unauthorized. Such a report would require the Florida Department of Economic Development to investigate the complaint—a new dynamic that is likely to generate a "climate of fear" among businesses and immigrant workers, said Velie.

"If I'm [someone looking to make trouble], all I have to do is say with a good faith belief that there's somebody employed without authorization [on the backstretch], and the Florida Department of Economic Development has to investigate," said Velie. "If somebody's just bent on causing problems, they've got a good way to do that." Cont.
Immigration laws impact Florida, cont.
When asked about the immigration climate in Florida, Tom Rooney, National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) president and CEO, pointed to the H-2B guest worker program as a labor safety net.
Because of the sheer demand for H2-B visas and the limited supply, however, it’s unlikely to prove an adequate fix to Florida’s immigrant labor gaps.
"The National Thoroughbred Racing Association has long advocated on the Federal level for solutions for the industry, like a permanent returning worker exemption, and will continue to do so," wrote Rooney in an email, pointing to long-identified problems with the H-2B system.
"For those trainers with over 25 employees for which this law applies we will continue to work diligently at the federal level with our partners in the H-2B Coalition to push for more workers to help fill the need," Rooney added.

THA: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT NEW HISA DRUG SANCTIONS by Dan Ross
With the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit’s (HIWU) first pending rulings for medication and anti-doping related violations having just been made public, the Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association (THA) issued a reminder Thursday of the possible sanctions under this new federal framework.
As the THA points out, taken as a whole the penalty scheme under the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) is significantly more stringent than that imposed previously by state commissions.
These new sanctions pertain to medication positives and other anti-doping related infractions that come after May 22, when HIWU’s Anti-Doping and Medication Control (ADMC) program went into effect.
Two of the pending final rulings issued on HIWU’s website concern the possible possession of banned substances—namely the thyroid medication Levothyroxine. The other concerns the possible presence of cobalt, another banned substance, in a test.
The trainer facing possible sanctions for an alleged cobalt positive is Mario Dominguez. The horse in question is Petulant Delight (First Dude). According to HIWU, the date of the alleged violation is May 24, the same day Petulant Delight won a claiming race at Parx Racing. HIWU provides no other details on the circumstances behind the alleged violation.
As the THA points out, all Anti-Doping violations “which include the Presence of, Use or Attempted Use of, Possession of, or Administration or Attempted Administration of a Banned Substance” carry a potential two-year suspension and a fine of up to $25,000.

Click here for a list of “Banned Substances” under the ADMC Program.
Provisional suspensions for these violations are imposed immediately and can only be lifted through a provisional hearing.
When it comes to the “Use or Attempted Use or Administration or Attempted Administration of a Controlled Medication Method”--like milk-shaking--the possible penalties are as follows:
1st Offense, 60 days, up to $5,000 fine or 5% of the purse, loss of purse
2nd Offense within a 2-year period, 90 days, up to $10,000 fine or 10% of the purse, loss of purse
3rd Offense within a 2-year period, 120 days, up to $25,000 or 25% of the purse, loss of purse
All “Controlled Medication Violations” result in the loss of the purse. Class A and Class B violations result in a suspension for a first offense, and more than one Class C offense in a two-year period will also result in a suspension.
Click here for a list of Controlled Therapeutic Medications.
The possible penalties for Controlled Medication violations are as follows:
Class C
1st Offense, up to $500 fine, loss of purse
2nd Offense within a 2-year period, 15 days, up to $1,000 fine, loss of purse
3rd Offense within a 2-year period, 30 days, up to $2,500 fine, loss of purse
Class B
1st Offense, 15 days, up to $1,000 fine, loss of purse
2nd Offense within a 2-year period, 30 days, up to $2,500 fine, loss of purse
3rd Offense within a 2-year period, 60 days, up to $5,000 fine, loss of purse
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New HISA drug sanctions, cont.

Class A

1st Offense, 60 days, up to $5,000 fine or 5% of purse, loss of purse

2nd Offense within a 2-year period, 90 days, up to $10,000 fine or 10% of purse, loss of purse

3rd Offense within a 2-year period, 120 days, up to $25,000 fine or 25% of purse, loss of purse

According to the THA, HIWU chief of science Dr. Mary Scollay advises trainers to give the barn, tack room and feed room a regular thorough cleaning. Ensure that all medications are properly labeled and stored, and remove any banned substances or expired medications from the premises.

Contact Scollay if you have a question about any supplements you may be using. You can text her a photo of the label to (859) 489-7677 to help determine if it is considered a banned substance.

Click here for more information about dietary supplements.

ILLINOIS PURSE INCREASES: ‘A BAND-AID ON A GUSHING WOUND’ by T.D. Thornton

Purses will be on the short-term rise at the tracks in Illinois, thanks to a pair of recent money recovery efforts initiated by the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association (ITHA).

One increase at the current Thoroughbred meet at Hawthorne Race Course that will be effective June 15-July 15 involves an 18% across-the-board purse bump derived from a claw-back of funds related to the closure of Arlington International Racecourse.

A separate initiative required passage of a bill in the Illinois Legislature on its final day of the session last month. That action transferred $5.1 million of a surplus in the state’s Horse Racing Fund to purses at both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred meets at Hawthorne, plus the Thoroughbred meet at FanDuel Racing (more commonly known as Fairmount Park).

David McCaffrey, the ITHA's executive director, told commissioners at Thursday’s Illinois Racing Board (IRB) meeting that while horsemen are grateful for any help they can get, the inflows will only provide temporary financial relief.

"This is a terrific band-aid," McCaffrey said, speaking specifically about the money from the Horse Racing Fund. "Make no mistake, it's a band-aid on a gushing wound that is Illinois racing, because things are at their all-time worst right now."

According to an explanation posted in the ITHA’s website, after Arlington closed in September 2021, that track’s corporate management "attempted to keep hundreds of thousands of dollars from the horsemen’s purse account. Arlington eventually folded in its attempt to keep the money after ITHA pursued litigation against Arlington, compelling the track to release the money. ITHA is now directing the remaining settlement funds to Hawthorne purses, which will account for the purse increase from June 15 to July 15."

The separate $5.1-million transfer comes from the Horse Racing Fund, which McCaffrey said is largely derived from a 1.5% tax on all bets placed on Illinois racing. Traditionally, that fund accumulates and operates at surplus, and it had grown to "about $10 million" by the beginning of 2023, McCaffrey said.

Starting back in January, McCaffrey said, the ITHA, the IRB, and other stakeholders had lobbied for the passage of a law that would direct about half of the surplus toward Thoroughbred and Standardbred purses.

The ITHA’s website noted that the Hawthorne share for the Thoroughbred purse account will be $2.295 million, and that the increase from the fund will go into effect "possibly starting in mid-July, upon the expiration of the [separate] purse increase beginning June 15."

Racinos became legal in Illinois in 2019, but they aren’t up and running yet at Hawthorne or FanDuel.

"Hopefully, it gives us a bridge to get to racinos when they start producing some revenue," McCaffrey said.

TDN CRITERIA

The races covered in the TDN are as follows:

- Stakes: purses of $40,000/up
- Allowance Races: purses of $20,000/up
- Optional Claiming Races: purses of $20,000/up
- Maiden Special Weight Races: purses of $18,000/up
- Maiden Claiming Races: purses of $18,000/up & a minimum claiming price of $40,000
STRIGHT NO CHASER SIDELINED WITH ‘AREA OF CONCERN’

A recent PET scan at Santa Anita revealed an “area of concern” in the left front fetlock of graded-stakes winner Straight No Chaser (Speightster), trainer Dan Blacker said Thursday. The 4-year-old colt will be sent to the farm for a 90-day break.

He was last seen at Pimlico for the GIII Maryland Sprint on the GI Preakness S. undercard May 20 where he won by an impressive 7 1/2 lengths.

Straight No Chaser had not worked since the Maryland Sprint. Blacker said the 4-year-old recently underwent a medical examination after an undisclosed party agreed to purchase a minority interest in the colt.

“It was a routine pre-purchase exam. As part of it they did a PET scan and they found an area of concern,” Blacker said. “It’s mild. The horse is sound. But nevertheless, we thought it would be a good time to give him a break.”

Straight No Chaser will get the summer off before returning to training later this year.

“We'll probably give him 90 days at the farm and bring him back after Del Mar,” Blacker said. “He won't run again until around Christmas time.”

BAFFERT RUNNERS RETURN TO SANTA ANITA IN GOOD ORDER

Both ‘TDN Rising Star’ Arabian Lion (Justify), winner of the GI Woody Stephens S., and National Treasure (Quality Road), the GI Preakness S. winner who faded to sixth after setting the pace in the GI Belmont S., were back at Santa Anita and doing well after competing on last Saturday's Belmont Stakes card at Belmont Park, according to trainer Bob Baffert. Prospective next starts have not been named for either runner.

FALSIFIED DELAWARE WORKOUT LEADS TO $2,000 FINE by T.D. Thornton

The stewards at Delaware Park have fined trainer Don Bryant, Jr. $2,000 for a series of "not conducting business in a proper manner" infractions that started with the falsification of a workout for an 0-for-12 maiden-claiming gelding he reportedly owns that hadn't raced in nearly a year.

According to the June 15 ruling, the stewards "received evidence that Trainer Bryant falsified a workout" for the 4-year-old gelding Dondada (Klimt) on May 10, 2023, at Delaware Park.

Dondada had not started since running second at Delaware on June 30, 2022.

The ruling further stated that, "Bryant did not have Dondada in his charge at the time horse was entered on June 3, 2023," and that one week later, on June 10, "Bryant provided a false reason to the Stewards for a scratch [for] Dondada."

A voicemail message left with the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission seeking details about the case and whether Bryant has appealed his penalty did not result in a return call prior to deadline for this story.

Bryant, 35, has trained since 2009 according to Equibase, compiling a 10-for-174 lifetime record. This year his mark is 1-for-14 with three horses who have raced at Parx and Delaware.

Beyond a $100 fine for necessitating a late scratch at Mountaineer Park in 2021, Bryant’s rulings record in the database at thoroughbredrulings.com maintained by The Jockey Club shows no other infractions.
The “Quick Fix” of Synthetics is Not the Answer

Horse racing has been down the path of synthetics before at Santa Anita, Del Mar, Keeneland, etc. Much time was lost, approximately a decade ago, with a focus on changing surfaces as a panacea for horse racing breakdowns. We now know there are other causes for horse breakdowns that are more prevailing.

The greatest single cause of racing deaths has to do with pre-existing conditions of the horse, and only in particular instances is the surface itself the primary reason for horses breaking down while racing. Synthetics have found a role to play in the industry but racing on synthetics exclusively means to change the sport itself in a fundamental way: from breeding, to handicapping, to the aesthetic beauty of competition—the reasons we are all fans of horse racing. And, changing to synthetics will not appease the critics if that is the motivation to do so.

But statistics show that horse racing deaths are less on synthetics than either dirt or turf. Surely safety must be the main focus with racing today. Yes, safety must be a central focus but there has to be some perspective. Horses also die in nature. The Thoroughbred industry cannot be expected to prevent ALL deaths of horses and a comparison must be made as to how often and how horses die in nature to reach a fair, concise view of horse racing. Such a comparison, of course, is extremely conjectural. There are no Thoroughbreds in nature and not many other horse breeds in nature today at all. Experts from many areas would have to weigh in on such a comparison.

In other words, the approach to the issue of horse racing deaths in general, that is, how the question is posed, is false. So too is the case for synthetics falsely stated. Are we to believe that horses somehow have more trouble competing on dirt and turf than fabricated material? Biology and evolution would initially say otherwise. Similarly, are we to suppose that the breeding of Thoroughbred horses is inherently producing unsound animals? Again, general evolutionary changes of such a magnitude would take time. To make such an argument, geneticists would have to be consulted to ascertain that Thoroughbred breeding practices are actually producing inherently unsound horses. But first things first. Looking mainly into the track surface and or scrutinizing breeding operations are not the places to begin when investigating horse racing breakdowns.

Back to the statistics. Statistics don't lie. More horses break down on dirt or turf than synthetics per Jockey Club figures. But statistics don't always give answers either. Indeed, the overall sample size in the Jockey Club figures in the aggregate is large but the fact that the number of dirt races were about seven times more than synthetic races is a cause for pause in a comparison. Sample sizes are usually uniform in the scientific method. And when looking at individual tracks per year, the sample size is quite small when considering dirt races only. A track can thus vary markedly from year to year in horse fatalities as the Jockey Club statistics indicate.

And the sample has to be RANDOM. Horses that are selected to compete on synthetics are not randomly chosen. That is, the two populations: horses that run on dirt and horses that run on synthetic are not uniform. So the synthetic numbers for horse fatalities that are generally lower than for dirt fatalities may or may not be because of the surface. The fact that both are samples of Thoroughbreds is not rigorous enough to make a valid comparison. The sample population has to be random. A random sample also compensates for genetic variation in a species. The best argument for synthetics in terms of the data comes from Gulfstream Park in 2022. At Gulfstream, there were about 7,000 starts on synthetic with one fatality whereas there were about 6,000 starts with eight fatalities on dirt. At least the number of starts were comparable at the same track for each surface but again, horses were selected by trainers for various reasons to race on synthetic rather than dirt. Better comparison of the two surfaces—but still not a random sample of the horse population at Gulfstream and one year is not nearly enough to draw any serious conclusions.

Any glance at aggregate statistics for analysis would have to consider figures after 2019 after the implementation of new safety protocol stemming from the racing deaths at Santa Anita that year. But even here, with a seemingly logical approach to the data on racing breakdowns, a comparison is problematic. 

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There are inexplicably low dirt rates of fatalities (say below one per 1,000) before 2019 with dirt racing at various tracks that, in other years, had higher rates of about two per 1,000. Such variability calls into question any definitive conclusion about track by track breakdowns relating to surface only.

What we do know is that Del Mar, Santa Anita and Keeneland have had remarkably low rates of fatality on dirt the last 2-3 years. For example, Keeneland had three deaths from 2020 to 2022 in almost 5,000 starts or about 0.6 per 1,000. Del Mar had none from 2021 to 2022 with almost 4,000 starts. Such figures compare favorably with the lowest synthetic figures. Given these Keeneland and Del Mar figures it is a stretch to say that dirt racing is inherently or significantly more dangerous than synthetic racing. The question does remain: are these rates extendable over time? If the safety reforms in horse racing continue and are enhanced, the chances are they can be.

What we can say with some assurance is that all horse racing death rates are going down from year to year. The average rate of horse deaths for 2022, in an industry where safety reforms have not been sufficiently generalized, was 1.25 deaths per thousand. Still, it is too early to draw conclusions about horse racing deaths (especially in the wake of the recent spate of breakdowns at Churchill) until the new protocol is agreed to and generalized throughout the industry and a number of years with such protocol in place has passed. The hard work of putting in the safety measures is just beginning.

Horses run slower on synthetics than dirt. Is running fast then a problem? There are many misconceptions here. The issue is not speed but how often a horse is asked to race at high speed. Here the veterinarians can chime in to assist trainers with their training and racing schedules. A dialogue should ensue on best practices. A horse can race more often if it is running easily. A horse in a Grade I race cannot race as often as winning at that level usually requires maximum effort. So comparisons by racing fans of one horse’s schedule to another are not valid. Each horse is different both in terms of circumstance and genetic variation and trainers must be more in tune with their vets moving forward not just on a horse’s ailments and therapeutic medication but on their racing schedule itself.

--Armen Antonian Ph.D

Horses break from the gate at Gulfstream | Coglianese

TICKETS ON SALE FOR HORSE RACING WOMEN'S SUMMIT 'MEET UP' IN SARATOGA

The Horse Racing Women's Summit (HRWS) community will 'Meet Up' in Saratoga Springs on Thursday, Aug. 3. The gathering at Saratoga Race Course will feature New York horsewomen and provide attendees with an opportunity to network during morning training hours and at the races.

A breakfast buffet on the clubhouse porch is available, but must be purchased separately from the HRWS ticket. Attendees will reconvene at the racetrack for an afternoon of racing in the climate-controlled Paddock Suite.

Tickets to the Aug. 3rd HRWS Meet Up at Saratoga are limited. Donations to the backstretch women's event can also be made via the EventBrite page.

The HRWS is also partnering with the New York Race Track Chaplaincy and The Jockey Club Safety Net Foundation to host a gathering for the women of Saratoga's backstretch community under the Marylou Whitney Pavilion on Tuesday, Aug. 8. The HRWS will proudly match individual, tax-deductible contributions toward this Saratoga backstretch event to $1,500.
TOC TO HONOR MIKE PEGRAM

Long-time owner and breeder Mike Pegram will receive the Chairman's Award Aug. 12 from the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) at the TOC’s Southern California Annual Meeting at Del Mar. Alternately named the Ed Friendly Industry Service Award, the Chairman’s Award is presented annually to recognize outstanding contributions and service in racing.

“Mike is an exceptional leader who continues to make a lasting impact on both this organization and California racing,” said TOC Chairman Gary Fenton. “His dedication, hard work, and commitment are an inspiration to all of us, and we are proud to honor him with this well-deserved award.”

Pegram is probably best known throughout the industry for his many top runners, both individually and in partnership, including champions Real Quiet, Silverbulletday, Midnight Lute, and Lookin At Lucky. He served on the TOC board from 2010 to 2019 and was Chairman from 2012 to 2016. During his tenure, he was instrumental in protecting SB 1072 purse contributions, which provided for a takeout increase with all of the additional revenue going to California purses.

Among the former Chairman’s Award recipients Pegram joins are Mace Siegel, John Harris, Bob and Beverly Lewis, Jerry and Ann Moss, and Clement Hirsch.

SKY RACING WORLD TO SIMULCAST RACING FROM HIPODROMO CHILE

Hipodromo Chile has been added to Sky Racing World’s content portfolio of International Racing, it was announced Thursday. The live simulcast is to be distributed across North America commencing June 15 and is available to watch on the SRW website, major ADW platforms, and the SRW App.

Racing typically takes place every Thursday and Saturday with the first post at approximately 12 p.m. EST.

David Haslett, CEO of Sky Racing World, stated: “We are proud to offer the simulcast of racing from Hipodromo Chile to North America and expand the audience size for this high-quality racing product.”
Saturday, Belmont #9, post time: 5:19 p.m. EDT
BED O' ROSES S.-GII, $200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

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EATONTOWN S.-GIII, $150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

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Saturday, Monmouth #12, post time: 5:40 p.m. EDT
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### MONMOUTH S.-GIII, $150,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT

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### SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO S.-GIII, $100,000, 3yo/up, 1 3/4mT

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FRIDAY’S RACING INSIGHTS:
by Stefanie Grimm

LADY MOSCATO LEADS STACKED ELLIS MAIDEN
6th-ELP, $120K, Msw, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 4:14 p.m.

An $800,000 yearling purchase out of Keeneland September, LADY MOSCATO (Quality Road) makes her afternoon debut for owner BC Stables and Hall of Fame trainer D Wayne Lukas. Out of a stakes-placed dam, she is a full-sister to GI La Troienne S. winner Salty, herself a $3 million dollar broodmare prospect out of the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. Luis Saez gets the mount.

Opposing her is Beautiful Dancer (Gun Runner), the first foal to make the races out of GI Del Mar Oaks heroine Dream Dancing (Tapit) who is herself a half-sister to GSP Sky Dreamer (Sky Mesa) and GSW Kimbear (Temple City). Her third dam is champion older mare Beautiful Pleasure. Beautiful Dancer is a homebred for John Oxley and will take to the track under eye of trainer Mark Casse.

Not to be outdone from the inside is OXO Equine homebred Streaming Now (Into Mischief), a daughter of MGSP One True Kiss who is a half-sister to GSW/MGISP Shancelot (Shanghai Bobby). Further back in the family is GI Shadwell Turf Mile S. winner Silver Max (Badge of Silver).

Another homebred, this time for Three Chimneys Farm and trainer Steve Asmsusen, Pure Connection (Connect) is out of a full-sister to MGSW Thiskyhasnoslimit while third dam, GISW Cara Rafaela, produced GI Preakness S. winner and late Darley sire Bernardini (A.P. Indy). Also in the family is MGWSW Love and Pride (A.P. Indy). TJCIS PPS

4th-SA, $80K, OC, 4yo/up, 6f, 5:34 p.m.
Not seen since an eighth to 2022 champion sprinter Elite Power (Curlin) in the GI Breeders’ Cup Sprint Nov. 5, American Theorem (American Pharoah) returns to action Friday with a start at Santa Anita. Last year’s GI Bing Crosby S. winner retains the services of Joe Bravo for trainer George Papaprodromou.

TJCIS PPS

IN ORDER OF PURSE:
6th-Ellis, $127,000, Alw, 6-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/4fT, 1:02.64, fm, 5 1/4 lengths.
PLAYLIST (f, 3, Uncle Mo--Bon Jovi Girl {MSW & GISP, $518,743}, by Malibu Moon) was a maiden winner last time out, traveling six furlongs over Turfway’s all-weather surface Feb. 18 after three unsuccessful attempts to graduate dating back to last summer at Saratoga. Completely dismissed on the board at 19-1, a far cry from her morning-line odds of 7-2, the $400,000 Keeneland September grad kept pace along the inside in pursuit of Numero Seis (Frosted) through opening fractions of :21.83 and :45.71. Tipped out for a run to challenge for the lead, Playlist took command coming into upper stretch and had plenty left in reserve to draw away from her rivals and pick up the 5 1/4-length win. Hideki (Run Away and Hide) closed for second. Bon Jovi Girl, herself an accomplished race mare and a half-sister to 3x Eclipse champion Gio Ponti (Tale of the Cat), is already responsible for You’re to Blame (Distorted Humor), GSW, $889,701. She reported a live colt by Connect this spring. Sales History: $400,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, $128,710. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
O-Westerberg, Mrs. John Magnier, Jonathan Poulin, Derrick Smith and Michael B. Tabor; B-Pursuit of Success LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

2nd-Belmont, $93,000, Alw (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.17, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.
MIDNIGHT STROLL (f, 4, Not This Time--Midnight Magic, by Midnight Lute) dropped out of graded-stakes races for the first time since contesting last year’s GI Black-Eyed Susan S. at Pimlico. During a run that saw her win the GlIII Delaware Oaks, she also placed in 2022’s GlIII Charles Town Oaks and
Midnight Stroll

Chelsea Durand

Keeneland's GII Raven Run S. Brought back as a 4-year-old, she failed to the hit board in either start this year, coming fifth to Caramel Swirl (Union Rags) in the GIII Vagrancy S. over this same track May 14. The 3-2 second choice on the class drop facing just three rivals, Midnight Stroll trailed the field from the gate and took up an outside position before looming up around the turn with sights set on pacemaker and 1-2 favorite Good Sam (Good Samaritan). Put to a drive into the stretch, the two rivals battled through the final furlong with Midnight Stroll just besting Good Sam close to home for the 1 1/2-length win. Out of a half-sister to GSW Coalport (Kitten's Joy), Midnight Stroll has a trio of younger half-brothers still to race: a 2-year-old by Practical Joke, a yearling by Mitole, and a 2023 colt by Omaha Beach. Sales History: $14,000 RNA Ylg '20 OBSWIN; $225,000 Ylg '20 OBSOCT. Lifetime Record: GSW, 11-4-0-2, $379,280. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Gatsas Stables, R. A. Hill Stable and Steven Schoenfeld; B-Carolin Von Rosenberg (FL); T-John P. Terranova, II.

3rd-Wordbine, C$78,964, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm ($35,651-$37,527), 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.30, ft, 8 3/4 lengths.

ANGELIQUE (f, 3, Army Mule--Whispering Angel, by Hard Spun) won first-time out over a sloppy Aqueduct track Apr. 29 and picked up an extra furlong Thursday as the 2-1 chalk. Up to contest the pace from the break, she dueled inside of Tosconova Beauty (Boys at Tosconova) and had to work to keep pace with that rival while against the rail around the turn. But once she gained the upper hand past the quarter pole, she found a second wind and ran away from the field, hitting the line alone to win by 8 3/4 lengths. Clover Street (Teuflesberg) was clear for the exacta. Whispering Angel, whose first foal was Wells Bayou (Lookin At Lucky), GSW, $935,303, traces back to the family of champion 3-year-old colt and GI Kentucky Derby winner Big Brown (Boundary). She foaled a colt by Essential Quality this year. Sales History: $300,000 Ylg '21 SARARG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $82,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC; B-Windylea Farm-New York, LLC (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

5th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $34,560, Alw, 6-15, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:41.68, ft, 9 3/4 lengths.

GEORGIE W (g, 3, Tapiture--Avie's Tale (SW-USA, SP-Can, $210,349), by Tale of the Cat) managed to get his neck on the line first as a 7-1 shot when unveiled over a mile at Horseshoe Indianapolis May 11. Eased out of the gate slowest of the four-horse field, Georgie W took his time making his move around the far turn, coming three wide into the lane to assume command. Once in the clear, he out sprinted his rivals with ease, running up the score before hitting the wire geared down to win by 9 3/4 lengths over 7-5 favorite Roman Giant (Carpe Diem). Avie's Tale is herself a half-sister to the dam of Canadian champion 2-year-old colt Avie's Flatter (Flatter). She last foaled a now yearling colt by Instagrind and was bred to Tacitus for 2023 but has not reported a foal. Sales History: $10,000 Ylg '21 KESEP; $17,000 3yo '23 FTKFEB. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $42,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Ready Made Racing, LLC; B-Mendi Abrahamson & Abrahamson Equestrian (KY); T-William Walden.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

2nd-Ellis, $120,000, Msw, 6-15, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:02.82, ft, 9 1/2 lengths.

RHyme SCHEMES (c, 2, Ghostzapper--Katherine, by Distorted Humor) reported home a well-beaten sixth on debut going five furlongs at Churchill Downs May 18. Adding blinkers here, the 8-1 chance was hustled to the front from his inside draw and faced some pressure rounding the far turn. The chestnut began to shake clear approaching the quarter pole and dropped the hammer in the stretch to graduate by 9 1/2 lengths over Ponce de Leon (Copper Bullet) in a sharp final clocking. Cowboy Code (Into Mischief), a $1-million KEESEP yearling, showed little interest while finishing ninth. Katherine produced a colt by Honor A. P. in 2022 and a colt by Candy Ride (Arg) in 2023. The Ghostzapper over Distorted Humor cross is also responsible for GSWs Guarana and Molly Morgan. Sales history: $210,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $70,950. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Pura Vida Investments LLC; B-Parks Investment Group, LLC (KY); T-Norm W. Casse.

1st-Belmont, $75,000, (S), Msw, 6-15, 2yo, f, 5fT, :58.54, fm, 1 length.

ASTONESTHROWAWAY (f, 2, Bustin Stones--El Rebecca (SP), by El Corredor), given a 12-1 chance to win at first asking, chased on the outside from second, challenged for command as they straightened and reported home a one-length winner over Gram (Maclean’s Music). The winner is a half-sister to Ultimate Badger (Commissioner), GSP, $121,390; and a Practical Joke filly of 2022. Sales history: $50,000 Ylg ’22 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $41,250. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-R. A. Hill Stable & SGV Thoroughbreds; B-Springhouse Farm (NY); T-George Weaver.

1st-Delaware, $43,700, Msw, 6-15, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53.33, ft, 7 1/4 lengths.

GIVE IT A WHIRL (c, 2, Hard Spun--Chic Thrill (SP, $159,375), by Smart Strike), given a 9-5 chance to graduate at first asking in this five-horse affair, shot out to the front from his outside draw and took off in the stretch while hanging on his left lead to score by 7 1/4 lengths over Master of Malice (Palace Malice). Chic Thrill, a daughter of Canadian champion Catch the Thrill (A.P. Indy), had a filly by Gun Runner this year. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $28,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O-Runnymoore Racing, LLC; B-Gregory & Caroline Bentley Breeders (KY); T-Cathal A. Lynch.

5th-Delaware, $38,900, Msw, 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.37, n/a, 1 1/2 lengths.

SAL’S BLUE JACKET (f, 3, Lea--A Touch of Glory (SP, $152,065), by Golden Gear), third in her debut sprinting over the Presque Isle synthetic last September, was given an 8-1 chance off the layoff with first-time Lasix in this turf debut. She set the pace here and never looked back en route to a 1 1/2-length victory over favored Heckled (Hard Spun). The winner is a half-sister to Northern Passion (First Samurai), GSW, $660,425. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $26,300. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

O/B-Hinkle Farms (KY); T-Michael Stidham.
3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $34,000, Msw, 6-15, 2yo, f, 5f (off turf), :58.75, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.
TX WOMEN FOR ARTS (f, 2, Practical Joke--Proximity Bias, by Flatter), the 6-5 favorite facing a crowded field of 12 other maidens, entered off a run at Churchill Downs May 19 where she chased in third early but wound up fading to seventh over the main track. In what was to be her turf debut Thursday, the 2-year-old again showed good speed from an outside gate to contest the lead into the turn outside of Princess Mitole (Mitole). Shaken up past the quarter pole, Tx Women for Arts cleared off from the field down the stretch, pulling away to win by 5 1/2 lengths. 16-1 longshot Whatta World (World of Trouble) checked in second. From the family of GISW Stroll (Pulpit) and GISP Patrol (Lear Fan), Tx Women for Arts has a yearling half-brother by Caravaggio while her dam reported a colt by Oscar Performance this year. Sales History: $55,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $21,827. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
O-J. Kirk & J. Robison; B-F. Garrison & NATO (KY); T-S. Asmussen.

6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $34,000, Msw, 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:42.67, ft, 5 lengths.
CLOAK OF MERCY (f, 3, Honor Code--Cloak of Secrecy, by Scat Daddy) tried her hand against restricted maiden company on debut at Oaklawn Mar. 26 but trailed the field home only to return to be second facing open maidens on a sloppy track over 1 1/16 miles Apr. 29. Given a 5-2 shot in her first try against winners, she had only a pair of rivals beat through a half mile in :47.33 but improved her position into the turn and drew off steadily down the lane, defeating 2-1 favorite Giada (Into Mischief) by five lengths. The winner is her dam's only foal to date. Sales History: $14,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $21,827. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
O-Randal Family; B-Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC & Hume Wornall (LA); T-Steven B. Flint.

1st-Evangeline Downs, $28,100, Msw, 6-15, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53.84, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.
GOOD AND STOUT (c, 2, Coal Front--Ready Witted, by More Than Ready) failed to meeting his reserve on a final bid of $117,000 at this April's OBS Sale but was attained privately and earned heavy 3-5 favoritism in this scratched-down debut facing just a pair of rivals. Second of the three through the early running, he began to eat into Hymn for Carlos's (Custom for Carlos) advantage with a furlong to run, and took over from that foe to draw away late for the 4 1/2-length win. This is the extended family of MGISW Love and Pride (A.P. Indy) while third dam Ile de France is a half-sister to champion 3-year-old colt and late sire Bernardini (A.P. Indy). Ready Witted foaled a colt by Mor Spirit this year. Sales History: $55,000 Ylg '22 OBSOCT; $117,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $18,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.
O-Whispering Oak Farms; B-Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC & Hume Wornall (LA); T-Steven B. Flint.

FIRST & SECOND-CROP RUNNERS
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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JUNE 16 2023 Stud Fees Listed
Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, $25,000 150 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Gulfstream, 1:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Bianca Luna, 4-1 $35,000 KEE SEP yrl; $47,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo 3-Monmouth, 2:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Lady Blitz, 5-2 $65,000 RNA FTK NOV wnl; $320,000 FTS AUG yrl
Catalina Cruiser (Union Rags), Lane's End Farm, $15,000 110 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 6-Ellis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Cruise Missile, 15-1 $60,000 KEE SEP yrl 5-Evangeline Downs, 8:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Crusin Like a Cat $47,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; $50,000 TTA YRL yrl 8-Ellis, 5:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Vibe Check, 4-1 $110,000 KEE SEP yrl
Catholic Boy (More Than Ready), Claiborne Farm, $15,000 104 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Monmouth, 2:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Lady d'Oro, 15-1 $22,000 KEE SEP yrl; $19,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo
Coal Front (Stay Thirsty), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
49 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
6-Ellis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Foolish Front Fifi, 5-1

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
37 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Lone Star, 7:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Copper Kan, 5-2
$15,000 TTA APR 2yo
8-Ellis, 5:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Copper Top, 8-1

Dynamic Racer (Run Away and Hide), R.C. Cline Thoroughbred Farm
10 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Belterra, 1:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Vernon's Best, 9-2

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
116 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-Gulfstream, 1:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Done Enough, 6-1
$17,000 FTK OCT yrl; $55,000 OBS MAR 2yo
3-Laurel, 1:28 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Wine Collector, 10-1
$9,500 KEE JAN wnl; $45,000 KEE SEP yrl; $50,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, $7,500
135 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Belmont, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5ft, Dancing Mischief, 6-1
$57,000 FTN MIX wnl; $60,000 SAR AUG yrl; $70,000 OBS MAR 2yo
6-Ellis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Shake It Baby, 12-1
$55,000 KEE JAN wnl; $95,000 KEE SEP yrl
2-Santa Anita, 4:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Whiskey Wild, 8-1
$75,000 FTK FEB wnl; $75,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $90,000 OBS MAR 2yo

St Patrick's Day (Pioneerof the Nile), Journeyman Stud, $3,500
73 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-Gulfstream, 1:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, April April, 12-1

Visionit (Tapit)
1 foal of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Lone Star, 7:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Country Vision, 20-1
$3,500 TTA APR 2yo

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $5,000
89 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
8-Ellis, 5:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Girls Weekend, 6-1
$37,000 KEE SEP yrl; $50,000 OBS MAR 2yo
1-Belmont, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5ft, Jimmythetooth, 10-1

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry (Jpn)), WinStar Farm, $10,000
103 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Monmouth, 2:56 pm, Msw 5f, Bingo's Girl, $10,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JUNE 16
2023 Stud Fees Listed

Accelerate (Lookin At Lucky), Lane's End Farm, $10,000
214 foals of racing age/41 winners/1 black-type winner
10-Belmont, 5:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Timely Conquest, 15-1

Army Mule (Friesan Fire), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $12,500
143 foals of racing age/46 winners/7 black-type winners
8-Ellis, 5:11pm Msw 5 1/2f, Backstretch Rose $95,000 KEE SEP

Good Magic (Curlin), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $50,000
237 foals of racing age/47 winners/9 black-type winners
8-Ellis, 5:11 Msw 5 1/2f, Bossy Bruin Gal$110,000 KEE SEP yrl

Justify (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, $100,000
344 foals of racing age/47 winners/8 black-type winners
8-Ellis, 5:11 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Buchu, 12-1
$275,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
6-Ellis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Lyrical Pardon, 3-1
$190,000 FTK NOV wnl; $300,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, $25,000
348 foals of racing age/57 winners/3 black-type winners
3-Monmouth, 2:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, I'm a Cutie Pie, 8-1
$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; $30,000 OBS APR 2yo
6-Ellis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Savannamarie, 12-1

National Flag (Speightstown), Blazing Meadows Farm
38 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Belterra, 1:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Golden Flag, 7-2

One Liner (Into Mischief), Whispering Oaks Farm
10 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-Evangeline Downs, 8:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, One Line Ruler
ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-Ellis, $141,000, (NW3$X)/Opt. Clm ($100,000), 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.95, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

QUEROBIN DOURADA (f, 4, Capo Bastone--Gusto Dolce {Uru} (GSW-Brz), by T. H. Approval) Lifetime Record: MSP, 16-4-3-1, $376,106. O-Brownwood; B-Haras Phillipson (KY); T-Paulo Lobo.

8th-Belmont, $105,000, (NW3$X)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 6-15, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:35.60, ft, 3/4 length.

TONAL IMPACT (g, 5, Tonalist--Kitty Kat, by Kitten’s Joy) Lifetime Record: 25-8-3-5, $425,826. O-A. Bianco Holding Limited; B-RGP Ocala Holdings LLC (KY); T-Linda Rice. *$37,000 RNA Ylg '19 OBSWIN; $19,000 RNA Ylg '19 OBSOCT; $40,000 RNA 2yo '20 OBSAPR.

7th-Belmont, $100,000, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 6-15, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.64, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

OUTLAW KID (g, 4, Violence--Calling Rhy Rhy {MSW, $243,150}, by City Zip) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-1, $205,380. O-R. A. Hill Stable and SGV Thoroughbreds; B-Robert G. Harvey (ON); T-George Weaver. *$80,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL; $220,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR.

4th-Hawthorne, $46,500, (C)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 6-15, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:46.10, gd, 1 length.

TEMPER TANTRUM (g, 5, Flashback--Cozy Tempter, by Cozzene) Lifetime Record: SW, 19-7-4-1, $255,380. O-Antonio Donato; B-Ben Barnow (IL); T-Armando Hernandez. *1/2 to Rustler Hustler (Ecton Park), MSW, $527,009.

8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $41,000, (S), 6-15, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:45.86, ft, 1 length.

SASSY KATIE (f, 3, Temple City--Isteefaa, by Eddington) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-2, $79,000. O/B-Smokey Creek Farm (IN); T-Robert M. Gorham.

7th-Delaware, $39,450, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 6-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57.56, sf, 2 1/2 lengths.

RAMBERT (f, 4, Declaration of War--Dance Play, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 7-3-4-0, $145,600. O-DARRS; B-J. Allen & Dr. Gary Priest (KY); T-M. Stidham. *$50,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN.

4th-Thistledown, $38,200, 6-15, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.48, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

EMPIRE’S FIRE (g, 4, Empire Way--Victoria’s On Fire, by Langfuhr) Lifetime Record: 13-6-3-0, $168,500. O-Douglas J. Diemer; B-Loner Farms, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich.

8th-Thistledown, $35,800, (S), 6-15, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.82, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.

TURNING PAGES (g, 4, Elusive Hour--Surprise Gift, by Service Stripe) Lifetime Record: 20-4-5-3, $94,937. O-Mark Yagour, Inc.; B-Elkhorn Oaks Inc. (OH); T-Stephen G. Trevino.

1st-Penn National, $31,600, (S), 6-15, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.61, ft, neck.

FOXY JUNIOR (f, 3, Cuba--Foxy Drummer, by Flatter) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, $49,637. O/B-Dianne Stern (PA); T-T. Houghton.

2nd-Canterbury, $28,665, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($25,000), 6-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.50, fm, 2 lengths.

GYP S WIFE (m, 6, Lookin At Lucky--Thecushmaker {SP, $222,014}, by Repent) Lifetime Record: 29-6-7-3, $125,383. O/B-R. Perkins (KY); T-K. Eikleberry. *$22,000 RNA Ylg '18 FTKOCT.
3rd-Belterra, $27,100, (S), 6-15, (NW3X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42.13, ft, head.

PARFAIT (f, 4, Midnight Storm--Miss Emma Maria, by Tiznow)
Lifetime Record: SP, 13-4-0-3, $91,787. O/B-Winblaze, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Brief Encounter, f, 2, National Flag--Grand Mere (SP, $114,479), by Bob and John. Belterra, 6-15, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.55. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $14,694. B-WinBlaze, LLC (OH). *1/2 to Grand Isle (Always Dreaming), SW, $120,480. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Billy's Got Issues, g, 3, Cairo Prince--Make Haste, by Tiznow.
Belmont, 6-15, (C), 7fT, 1:22.76. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $33,290. B-Hinkle Farms (KY). *$110,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

Golden Treasure, g, 3, Goldencents--Lady Silverrod, by Marquetry. Pen National, 6-14, (S), 6f, 1:11.89. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-1, $31,167. B-Silver Star Farm, LLC (PA). *1/2 to Rod's Five Star (Five Star Day), SW, $427,350; Chief Exchanger (Exchange Rate), SP, $413,885.

Baby Liaison, g, 3, Liaison--Baby K (MSP, $117,264), by Kennedy.
Fair Meadows, 6-14, (S), 6f, 1:14.74. Lifetime Record: 12-1-3-3, $39,062. B-Jared Gary (OK).

Majestic Liaison, g, 3, Liaison--Majestic Chivette, by Majesticperfection. Fair Meadows, 6-14, (S), 6f, 1:14.80. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, $27,118. B-Young Stables, LLC (OK).

Rutherford, g, 3, More Than Ready--Zloty (MSP, $131,634), by Exchange Rate. Delaware, 6-15, 5fT, :58.14. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $28,908. B-White Birch Farm, Inc. (KY). *$110,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; $275,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

El Cohete, g, 3, Society's Chairman--Dianecentretire, by Tale of the Cat. Woodbine, 6-15, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:17.16. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $32,146. B-FrostFire(ON). *C$35,000 CANSEP.

Tahoe Run, g, 3, Turbo Compressor--For My Wife, by Not For Love. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6-15, 5f, 1:07.73. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, $29,700. B-E. H. Beau Lane (KY). *$31,000 Ylg '20 KEENOV.

Foaled & Raised at WOODLINE/BEAU LANE BLOODSTOCK
MSW, 6-15, Delaware
Liaison, Baby Liaison, g, 3, o/o Baby K, by Kennedy. MSW, 6-14, Fair Meadows
Liaison, Majestic Liaison, g, 3, o/o Majestic Chivette, by Majesticperfection. MSW, 6-14, Fair Meadows
Lookin At Lucky, Gypsy Wife, m, 6, o/o Thecushmaker, by Repent. AOC, 6-14, Canterbury
Lookin At Lucky, Peruvian Lucky, c, 4, o/o Solarana (Arg), by Mutakddim. ALW, 6-15, Hawthorne
Midnight Storm, Parfait, f, 4, o/o Miss Emma Maria, by Tiznow. ALW, 6-15, Belterra
More Than Ready, Rutherford, g, 3, o/o Zloty, by Exchange Rate. MSW, 6-15, Delaware
National Flag, Brief Encounter, f, 2, o/o Grand Mere, by Bob and John. MSW, 6-15, Belterra
Not This Time, Midnight Stroll, f, 4, o/o Midnight Magic, by Midnight Lute. AOC, 6-15, Belmont
Practical Joke, Tx Women for Arts, f, 2, o/o Proximity Bias, by Flatter. MSW, 6-15, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Skylord, One Way Ray, g, 4, o/o Idealhouse, by Limehouse. ALW, 6-15, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Society’s Chairman, El Cohete, g, 3, o/o Diannecantretire, by Tale of the Cat. MOC, 6-15, Woodbine
Tapiture, Georgie W, g, 3, o/o Avie’s Tale, by Tale of the Cat. ALW, 6-15, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Temple City, Sassy Katie, f, 3, o/o Isteefaa, by Eddington. ALW, 6-15, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Three Hour Nap, Tahoe Run, g, 3, o/o Tahoe Dream, by Afleet Alex. MSW, 6-15, Hawthorne
Tonalist, Tonal Impact, g, 5, o/o Kitty Kat, by Kitten’s Joy. AOC, 6-15, Belmont
Turbo Compressor, Halo Love, g, 3, o/o For My Wife, by Not For Love. MSW, 6-15, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Uncle Mo, Playlist, f, 3, o/o Bon Jovi Girl, by Malibu Moon. ALW, 6-15, Ellis
Verrazano, Diamonds N Dew, m, 6, o/o Got Bling, by Langfuhr. ALW, 6-15, Thistledown
Violence, Outlaw Kid, g, 4, o/o Calling Rhy Rhy, by City Zip. AOC, 6-15, Belmont

RHYME SCHEMES (c, 2, Ghostzapper) romps at Ellis.
(click to watch)
'WE HAVE COME HERE TO WIN': INTERNATIONALS TAKE ON ASCOT

By Emma Berry
NEWMARKET, UK--They've arrived. The young, the fast, the young and fast. From America, Australia, and Sweden, members of the international contingent for this year’s Royal Ascot are now safely ensconced in temporary lodgings, their presence in the UK adding an extra sparkle to what is always one of the most special weeks of the sporting year.

Cannonball (Aus) (Capitalist {Aus}) and Artorius (Aus) (Flying Artie {Aus}) have separate sprint engagements, in the G1 King's Stand S. and G1 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee S. respectively, and with no fear of rivalry next week, the two made happy companions as they strolled along Newmarket Heath on Thursday morning.

A day after Cannonball's strong work on the track at Ascot, his co-trainer Peter Snowden remains delighted with the colt's preparation for his first start outside Australia next Tuesday. It's hard to fault the three-year-old. With a gleaming deep chestnut coat and relaxed demeanour, he looks to have taken the travel and change of scenery in his stride, and he will have Brett Prebble, who won the G3 Maurice McCarten S. on Cannonball in March, back in the saddle.

FRANKEL AND KINGMAN AVAILABLE ON SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE TIME

Juddmonte stallions Frankel (GB) and Kingman (GB) will both be available to cover mares on Southern Hemisphere time, the TDN AusNZ reported on Thursday morning. The former will remain at £125,000 and his 50-mare SH book is already mostly full. The latter’s fee will be £40,000. “I had it confirmed to me only this morning [Wednesday] that there are only two stallions in history who have sired a 2-year-old Group 1 winner in Australia having never stood there,” Shane Horan, Juddmonte’s stallion nominations manager, told the publication. “Frankel is one and Kingman is the other, and the fact that they’re at the same farm at the same time is phenomenal.”

Besides siring G1 J.J. Atkins S. winner King Colorado (Aus) on the weekend, Kingman was also represented by Group 3 winner Sinawann (Ire) taking an Australian listed event during the same timeframe. Of his 23 runners in Australasia, 15 are winners.

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY
INTO MISCHIEF COLT TOPS OBS DAY 3

A colt by Into Mischief brought $475,000 to top the third and final day of the OBS June Sale in Ocala, Florida.

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MAKING WAVES: SISKANY SUPREME AT BELMONT

GI1 Belmont Gold Cup winner Siskany (Dubawi) heads last week’s European representation in American racing action.

PAIR OF RISING STARS CROWNED AT HAYDOCK

Aclaim’s Purosangue and Star Of Mystery (Kodiac) earn TDN Rising Star billing at Haydock Thursday.

RUNNING LION DRAWS WIDE IN DIANE

Listed winner Running Lion (Roaring Lion) draws stall 12 of 15 for Chantilly’s G1 Prix de Diane Longines Sunday.
Royal Ascot Cont. from p1

A year apart in age, Artorius and Cannonball previously shared the same training duo Anthony and Sam Freedman, with the latter having been moved to the Snowdens after his last start of 2022. For the next couple of weeks they are stabled alongside each other in a wing of Charlie Fellowes' Bedford House Stables.

Sam Freedman has returned to Newmarket with Artorius, who spent a fair portion of last year in Europe, finishing third in both the G1 Platinum Jubilee S. and G1 July Cup before going on to Deauville to run sixth behind Highfield Princess (Fr) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) in the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest.

There's talk of "unfinished business" from Freedman, who says that the four-year-old colt is thriving. He currently tops the market for the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee S. a week on Saturday.

He's not the only Aussie challenger for that prize as The Astrologist (Aus) (Zoustar {Aus}), who has been in town for a while at Marco Botti's yard, will make his third British start at Ascot, having most recently finished runner-up to Jumbly (GB) in the G3 John of Gaunt S. at Haydock last weekend.

Coolangatta (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}) has kept her distance from Newmarket despite it being the former home town of her co-trainer David Eustace. His father James was spotted on board his hack as Cannonball and Artorius sauntered past on Thursday, perhaps keeping tabs on one of the filly's main opponents for the King's Stand on Tuesday.

Over on the other side of town in the Heath Stud yard at the National Stud are George Weaver's two juveniles No Nay Mets (Ire) (No Nay Never) and Crimson Advocate (Nyquist), each of whom won their respective Royal Ascot qualifying races over five furlongs at Gulfstream Park on May 13.
Under the watchful eye and guiding hand of Blair Golen, riding the saintly Angus, borrowed for ponying duties from Jamie Lloyd, the filly then the colt had a gentle canter on the 'Between the Ditches' turf gallop and seemed unfazed by their new surroundings.

More on his toes on his first morning out on the Heath was the Kenny McPeek-trained Classic Causeway, ridden by the evergreen 72-year-old Danny Ramsey. Last year's G1 Belmont Derby winner looks set to take on Adayar (Ire), Luxembourg (Ire) and co in what will be an intriguing edition of the G1 Prince of Wales's S., some 23 years after his late sire won the St James's Palace S., ushering in a run of five Group 1 victories through the summer of 2000.

Meanwhile, No Nay Mets is set to take part in what looks to be one of the hottest contests of the week, the G2 Norfolk S., a race his sire won a decade ago. Prior to that, he has an engagement in the Goffs London Sale on Monday.

"We have just been getting him accustomed to things," said Golen. "Everything we run on in America is pretty much flat, so we have been taking him out on the seven-furlong stretch here to get him used to things.

"We have come here to win. In American racing, there is very rarely a big field, so that is a big challenge. Luckily, we have Frankie Dettori riding him and, if anybody knows how to ride the course, it is definitely him. So I think that is to our advantage. It means everything to have him riding and, if that makes Wesley Ward jealous, then even better."

While McPeek arrives in the UK on Friday, Ward touched down on Wednesday afternoon, shortly before his horses arrived at Stansted airport and made the brief onward journey to Chelmsford City Racecourse, where they will stay until early next week.
The quartet of runners, which was joined by a stable pony who is reportedly named Shanahan, contains one whose progress from his dazzling debut will be of huge interest next week and beyond. American Rascal (Curlin) is of course a son of the much vaunted Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy), a dual winner at Royal Ascot in the G2 Queen Mary S. and G1 King’s Stand S. Her firstborn has big shoes to fill.

Keeping Norfolk S. entrant American Rascal company is the Chasemore farm-bred Fandom (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), who has returned to not far from where he was born to run, most probably, in the Windsor Castle S.

The maiden Bundchen (Gun Runner) is Queen Mary-bound with the help of Joel Rosario, while Twilight Gleaming (Ire) (National Defense {GB}), who was runner-up in that race two years ago, returns for the King’s Stand.

Ward has stolen a march on all visiting trainers for Royal Ascot by saddling 12 winners at the meeting since his first--and second 24 hours later-- in 2009. No Nay Never was his next four years later.

Recalling his meeting the late Queen in the royal box following that victory in 2013, Ward said, "What was great about it was she did most of the chatting. When you first get up there you are nervous and she just starts firing questions at you and it puts you so at ease. She was just picking my brain and asking all these questions about how I train, how I came here and asking about all the success I had.

"It was unbelievable how much knowledge she had, not just of racing but myself--I couldn't believe the Queen of England even knew who a trainer like myself from a different country like America was and what I had accomplished.

"You would think she would just be coming to the races and focused on English racing and everything else she had going on in her life. She was just a wonderful person."

She was indeed. The final Group 1 race of the meeting will be named in perpetuity in memory of the monarch who, for almost 70 years, cleared her diary for the week of Royal Ascot. The pandemic interrupted Queen Elizabeth II’s attendance in recent years, and her absence from the royal procession next week will be keenly felt. The show goes on, however, and from the opening race named to commemorate Queen Anne, who founded the racecourse that is now one of the most famous in the world, right through to the longest Flat race in the calendar, the Queen Alexandra S., action of the highest calibre will be played out in front of a global audience.
Frankel & Kingman Cont. from p1

Besides the aforementioned stakes winners, the son of Invincible Spirit (Ire) also has Group 3 winner Emissary (GB) and the Group 3-placed Tass (Aus).

“From a marketing point of view, his big selling point to an Aussie market is that he was a brilliant miler with a high cruising speed and a killer turn of foot,” Horan said. “He passes that on to his progeny. He is also the highest-rated son of Invincible Spirit, who is, of course, the sire of I Am Invincible (Aus), and I Am Invincible has been a revelation in Australia.

“He typically gets them looking like himself,” Horan added. “He’s an elegant stallion. He’s lightly made and light on his feet. His progeny tend to race with a high head-carriage and he’s passing on that great acceleration. It seems like he’s ideally suited to those mares with lots of substance, and he will add in all the quality you could ask for.”

“It’s hard to predict what sort of numbers we’ll expect for him [Kingman] this September,” he said. “I’ll know a lot more by the Tattersalls July Sale up here when many of the Australian breeders and agents will be in attendance.”

Frankel’s Australasian stats are no less remarkable. The sire of 121 stakes winners worldwide, the 15-year-old has 16 winners from 40 runners Down Under. All 16 of those winners have struck at stakes level, with his 12 group winners led by Group 1 winners Hungry Heart (Aus), Mirage Dancer (GB), and Converge (Aus). The last-named also won the G1 J.J. Atkins.

“Frankel, physically, is a bull of a stallion,” Horan said. “There’s probably a lot of Danehill coming through in him. His mother was a very typical Danehill mare, and he’s probably more suited by the elegant type of mare. Kingman is probably less fussy on the size of mare sent, but a mare with substance and plenty of bone is recommended.”

Both stallions will stand to Southern Hemisphere time on Special Live Foal (SLF) terms. The fee is payable 45 days from the last service date (when the mare is confirmed in-foal), and should anything happen to the foal within 48 hours of birth in Australia, a full refund on the service fee will be provided. Juddmonte is also supplying a £10,000 travel allowance for mares travelling up from the Southern Hemisphere, which is useful when it comes to a £40,000 service fee for Kingman.

“Kingman is often overshadowed by Frankel, which is understandable,” Horan said. “Frankel has tied with Danehill as the fastest stallion to 100 worldwide stakes winners in terms of numbers of days taken to achieve it, and in terms of getting to 50 stakes winners by number of days, Frankel was also the fastest, beating Dubawi (Ire) who beat Galileo (Ire). But in the meanwhile, Kingman didn’t reach 50 as fast as Frankel, but he was quicker to do it than Dubawi and Galileo. So that gives you a perspective on where this horse sits.”

Kingman

Crack of Light

Won Prix de Thiberville L., 12f, ParisLongchamp
Owned by Anthony Oppenheimer
Bred by Hascombe Stud and Valiant Stud
Trained by William Haggas

NEW STAKES WINNER

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DETTORI TO RIDE HARRINGTON'S GIVEMETHEBEATBOYS IN COVENTRY

By Brian Sheerin

Share prices in Jessica Harrington's Givemethebeatboys (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle {GB}), a leading G2 Coventry S. contender, took a spike on Thursday with the news that legendary jockey Frankie Dettori would take the ride on the colt at Royal Ascot on Tuesday.

Givemethebeatboys, a gritty winner of the G3 Marble Hill S. at the Curragh when last seen, will be offered up for sale by his owner Con Marnane at the Goffs London Sale on the eve of the race.

He is not the only horse that Marnane and Harrington will offer at the sale—Supersonic Man (Ire), another Bungle Inthejungle colt, who will be aimed at the Norfolk or Windsor Castle, will also go under the hammer.

Both colts would have been ridden by Harrington's stable jockey Shane Foley had he not suffered a broken collarbone at Gowran Park earlier this month.

Foley described himself as "gutted" when revealing that he was facing a six-week layoff due to the injury last week and, when relaying that Dettori had been booked to ride Givemethebeatboys on Thursday morning, Harrington acknowledged that missing one of the biggest meetings of the year would be a tough pill for her regular rider to swallow.

Harrington said, "We've got Frankie to ride Givemethebeatboys. It's great. Listen, if he thinks the horse is good enough for him to ride in a race like the Coventry, that's absolutely fantastic news for us."

She added, "It's going to be very tough for Shane. He's missed winners already and, you know, the first thing he said to me when he broke his collarbone was, 'there's my championship gone.' That was the first thing.

"But look, it could have been a lot worse. He's doing well and he comes to see the horse work. I know that it must be very hard on him but he is great and is a key cog in the wheel. He's coming over for the sale on Monday."

Marnane couldn't hide his delight about securing Dettori for the colt he sourced for just €11,000 at the Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale. Speaking ahead of a feature interview with TDN Europe that will be published in Saturday's edition, Marnane labelled Givemethebeatboys as "a very special horse" and one who "has a serious chance" in the Coventry before echoing Harrington's sentiments about Foley.

He said, "We’re delighted to have been able to secure Frankie—he knows a thing or two about Ascot, doesn't he? It's very tough on Shane, though, as he's been brilliant on the horse in his two starts to date. Let's hope we can provide everyone with something to shout about next week."

Givemethebeatboys came through his final piece of work on Thursday morning with flying colours, according to Harrington, who revealed that she has a team of 10 or 12 horses to run next week.

She said, "Givemethebeatboys worked this morning and he worked great. Couldn't be better. Everyone seems to be very happy with him. I think we've got 10 to 12 runners for Royal Ascot depending on who gets into what. That's a very big team for me."

Asked to nominate what horses she was most looking forward to running along with Givemethebeatboys, Harrington, who will be in attendance, replied, "Well I'm looking forward to running Irish Lullaby if she gets into the Copper Horse Handicap. Then I've got Sounds Of Heaven and Village Voice at the end of the week, not to mention Ocean Quest. It's a nice team.

"I'm feeling great at the moment. Hopefully everything goes well and I will be there for the sale on Monday and for the racing on Tuesday. We'll see how the rest of the week goes. It all depends on how I am. It would be something else if the horse was to run a big race on Tuesday."
Making Waves

by Heather Anderson

DUBAWI’S SISKANY SUPREME AT BELMONT

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This week's column is highlighted by the victory of Siskany in the GII Belmont Gold Cup S. at Belmont Park on Friday.

Siskany Finds His Groove In Gold Cup

Godolphin homebred Siskany (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) earned his fourth stakes win in his third different country with a victory in the GII Belmont Gold Cup S. at Belmont Park on Friday. He won the Just A Game S. at Belmont (video) the same day.

Kingman Colt Shines At Monmouth

AMO Racing’s Kingmax (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), who ran third in the 2022 Hampton Court S., found the Jersey Shore to his liking when winning a Monmouth Park allowance in his American bow (video).

Bred by Sunderland Holding, Inc., the dark bay colt was a £120,000 Goffs Orby yearling purchase, and graduated at Kempton at third asking first out at three for trainer David Loughnane.

Out of the G2 Prix de Pomone winner Baino Ridge (Fr) (Jeremy), Kingmax’s latest siblings are a 2-year-old colt named Mission To Mars (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), and a Saxon Warrior (Jpn) filly born this spring.

On the same day his King Colorado (Aus) lifted the G1 J.J. Atkins at Eagle Farm in Australia, Juddmonte’s Kingman celebrated more success in America. He now has 28 winners from 53 runners (53%) in the Land of the Free. His stakes winners stand at eight (15%) led by triple Grade I winner Domestic Spending (GB).

Zarak Filly Strikes At Belmont

West Point Thoroughbreds and Dream With Me Stable’s Parnac (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) collected her fourth win in a Belmont contest on Sunday for trainer Christophe Clement (video).

Bred by Jean-Pierre Dubois, the 4-year-old filly won her first two starts including a German listed race for her breeder and trainer Andreas Wohler before being purchased by these connections. Her dam, third in the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte, has a juvenile colt by Cloth Of Stars (Ire). Her fourth dam, Louvre Romaine (Alydar), was third in the G1 Prix de Diane.
Zarak, who sired his 12th international stakes winner with Straight (Ger) in the G2 Union-Rennen on Sunday, has had two runners in the U.S. Parnac is his first winner there.

**Honourable Mentions**

Selenaiia (Ire) (Sea The Moon {Ger}), who has already featured in this column, made the jump to graded company with aplomb when running away with the GIII Honeymoon S. at Santa Anita on Saturday for Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Madaket Stables, LLC and trainer Jonathan Thomas (video). She is the 29th stakes winner and 14th graded/group winner worldwide for her Lanwades Stud sire.

**OCEAN JEWEL BEATS HER ELDERS IN THE BALLYCORUS** By Tom Frary

Underlining the strength of the speedier 3-year-olds this year, Al Shira’aa Farms’ Ocean Jewel (Ire) (Sioux Nation) passed a stern test against the older brigade on Thursday as she captured Leopardstown’s G3 TRI Equestrian Ballycorus S. Stretching out to seven furlongs, having finished third behind The Antarctic (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and Ocean Quest (Ire) (Sioux Nation) in the G3 Lacken S. over six at Naas last month, the Willie McCreery-trained half-sister to the 1000 Guineas heroine Mother Earth (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) was able to use her sprinting prowess to stay close to the early pace in second. Committed by Billy Lee passing two out, the 16-5 shot saw out the finale strongly to score by 1 1/4 lengths from the veteran stalwart Real Appeal (Ger) (Sidestep {Aus}).

Also second to smart compatriot Beauty Crescent (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) in the Listed Blenheim S. at Fairyhouse in September, having won her Down Royal maiden with authority earlier that month, Ocean Jewel is unexposed and full of promise at this trip and possibly beyond according to McCreery. “She’s improving the whole time and everything worked out perfectly tactically,” he said. “I did think about the Commonwealth [Cup], but I thought ‘let’s not take on the boys this year’ and it was her first time over seven and Billy [Lee] said she hit the line very well.”

“She’s a very sharp filly and I loved the way she settled,” the winning trainer added. “The world is her oyster and we’ll take our time with her. We have next year with her and we’ll try a group 1 before the year is out. We’ll stick to seven this year and might go a mile next year. It’s a big weekend for Kieran [Lalor, Al Shira’aa’s racing and bloodstock manager]. He bought this filly a couple of years ago and he bought the second favourite for the French Oaks, Jannah Rose.”

**Pedigree Notes**

Ocean Jewel’s aforementioned half-sister Mother Earth, who was also successful in the G1 Prix Rothschild and placed in seven other top-level contests including the G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches and GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, was Al Shira’aa Racing’s first winner in Ireland last term and a perfect launchpad for the operation in the country. The listed-winning and group-placed dam Many Colours (GB) (Green Desert) is also responsible for the G2 Premio Dormello winner Night Colours (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}). From the family of the leading sprinter and sire Dandy Man (Ire) and the Royal Ascot group-placed pair Patience Alexander (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) and Cheerupsleepyjean (Fr) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), her full-brother to Mother Earth named Bamburgh (Ire) was a €80,000 purchase by Johnston Racing at the Goffs Orby.

Ocean Jewel was purchased by Al Shira’aa’s Kieran Lalor for €230,000 at Goffs Orby. | Goffs
Thursday, Leopardstown, Ireland

BALLYCORUS S.-G3, €52,500, Leopardstown, 6-15, 3yo/up, 7ft, 1:30.10, gd.

1--OCEAN JEWEL (IRE), 122, f, 3, by Sioux Nation
   1st Dam: Many Colours (GB) (SW & GSP-Ire, MSP-UAE, $276,926), by Green Desert
   2nd Dam: First Of Many (GB), by Darshaan (GB)
   3rd Dam: Star Profile (Ire), by Sadler’s Wells

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. (€230,000 Ylg ‘21 GOFOR). O-Al Shira’aa Farms; B-Grenane House Stud (IRE);
   T-Willie McCreery; J-Billy Lee.

2--Real Appeal (GER), 135, g, 6, Sisdestep (Aus)--Runaway Sparkle (GB), by Green Desert. (£7,500 Wlg ‘17 ARQDEC; €265,000
   2yo ‘19 GOFLON; 130,000gns 5yo ‘22 TATAHI). O-Shamrock
   Bred by GRENANE HOUSE STUD

2nd Dam: Misheer (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB)

3--Carrytheone (GB), 135, g, 6, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Song Of Passion (Ire), by Orpen. (£50,000 Ylg ‘18 TAOCCT).
   O-Airy Excuse For A Holiday Syndicate; B-Pevens Racing (GB);
   T-Johnny Murtagh. £5,250.

Margins: 1 1/4, SHD, SHD. Odds: 3.20, 20.00, 4.00.
Also Ran: Mutasarref (GB), Agartha (Ire), Spring Feeling (Fr).
Scratched: Power Under Me (Ire), Coachello (Fr).

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KODIAC FILLY A NEW RISING STAR AT HAYDOCK

By Tom Frary

Hot property at 1-3 for Thursday’s Broad Oak Fillies’ Novice S. at Haydock, Godolphin’s Star Of Mystery (GB) (Kodiac (GB)--
   Mistrusting (Ire), by Shamardal) made even those odds look generous as she registered a TDN Rising Star performance when
   breaking her maiden by 11 lengths. Having met a potentially top-class peer in the Crisfords’ Carla’s Way (Ire)
   (Starspangledbanner (Aus)) on debut over nearly 6 1/2-furlongs at Doncaster 12 days previously, the Charlie Appleby-trained
   half-sister to Dark Angel’s Gl Summer S. winner Mysterious Night (Ire) and Gl Just a Game S. and Gl Diana S. heroine Althiqa
   (GB) looked to have a soft touch here if repeating that form and did so in style under James Doyle.

Keen initially behind the leading pair, the homebreds tanked her way to the front at the halfway mark of the six-furlong trip and
   powered clear with the rail to guide her. The James

Ferguson-trained debutante Royal Elysian (GB) (Showcasing
   {GB}) won the race for second, 1 1/2 lengths in front of the Karl
   Burke-trained Out Of Line (GB) (Showcasing {GB}). “She ran a
   nice race on debut and the winner of that race set a decent
   standard, I thought,” the winning rider said. “It was testament to
   this filly that she got so close to her and she was green as well.
   She looks at everything, so I was keen to get her back and my
   tuck shifted back so it wasn’t a great first couple of furlongs but
   she picked up well and there is plenty of improvement to come.”

Star Of Mystery is TDN Rising Star number six for Kodiac, with
   this year’s 2000 Guineas runner-up Hi Royal (Ire) and past G1
   Cheveley Park S. heroine Fairlyland (Ire) the pick. She is the fifth
   foal out of Mistrusting, who took the Listed Boadicea Fillies S.
   before providing the operation with the two Dark Angel
   luminaries Althiqa (GB) and Mysterious Night (Ire) who have
   racked up six black-type and graded-stakes wins between them
   including their three at the highest level. The second dam is the
   G2 Cherry Hinton S. winner Misheer (GB) (Oasis Dream (GB)),
   who was also second in the G1 Cheveley Park S. Like Althiqa’s
   first foal born this year, Mistrusting’s yearling colt is by the
   operation’s powerhouse Dubawi (Ire).

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2nd-Haydock, £9,999, Novice, 6-15, 2yo, f, 6ft, 1:13.15, g/f.
   STAR OF MYSTERY (GB), f, 2, by Kodiac (GB)
   1st Dam: Mistrusting (Ire) (SW-Eng, $120,206),
   by Shamardal
   2nd Dam: Misheer (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB)
   3rd Dam: All For Laura (GB), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB)

Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $8,983. Click for the free
   Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. VIDEO.

O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.

ACCLAIM COLT DOUBLES THE RISING STAR TALLY AT HAYDOCK

By Tom Frary

There must be something in the air at Haydock this month as
   Opulence Thoroughbreds and Teme Valley’s newcomer
   Purosangue (GB) (Aclaim (Ire)--Avon Breeze (GB), by
   Avonbridge (GB)) became the second TDN Rising Star on
   Thursday’s evening fixture and the third in the last three
   meetings at the Merseyside venue. Unleashed by Andrew
   Balding having brought enough attention at April’s Goffs UK
   Breeze-Up Sale to fetch £125,000, the 5-1 shot proved a handful
   for Ray Dawson going to post and in the early stages before
   establishing a lead before halfway in the five-furlong British
   Stallion Studs EBF Novice S.
When Dawson got serious a furlong out, the relative of the Listed Rose Bowl S. winner Saigon (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}) showed his true mettle to surge to a four-length success from the Karl Burke-trained Instant Recall (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), with half a length back to All Is Fair (Ire) (Soldier’s Call {GB}) from the David Loughnane stable. “It’s a shame that Royal Ascot is next week,” the winning rider said of Aclaim’s second TDN Rising Star after Cachet (Ire), who achieved fame as last year’s G1 1000 Guineas heroine.

The dam Avon Breeze may not have made it to black-type level, but she won 10 of her 52 starts in the North of England from five to six furlongs and achieved an official rating of 92. Purosangue is only her second runner, while her yearling colt by Eqtidaar (Ire) was sold for 22,000gnns to Hegarty Bloodstock at the Tatts December Foal Sale. The family’s most notable performers under the first three dams are the aforementioned Saigon, who was also runner-up in the G3 Horris Hill S. and third in the G2 Mill Reef S., and Tabaret (GB) (Bertolini) who took the Listed Roses S. and was third in the Listed Windsor Castle S.

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Running Lion with Oisin Murphy | John Hoy - The Jockey Club

By Tom Frary

There were the usual winners and losers in equal measure during Thursday’s draw for Chantilly’s G1 Prix de Diane Longines, with David Howden’s Listed Pretty Polly S. winner Running Lion (GB) (Roaring Lion) receiving stall 12 of 15 in Sunday’s 10 1/2-furlong Classic. Despite that unfavourable post position and her antics in the starting gate ahead of the Epsom Oaks, the John and Thady Gosden trainee is deemed the likely favourite ahead of Yeguada Centurion SL’s G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches heroine Blue Rose Cen (Ire) (Churchill (Ire)) who drew the inside rail. Ballymore Thoroughbred Ltd’s Listed Prix Rose de Mai and G3 Prix Penelope-winning TDN Rising Star Pensee Du Jour (Ire) (Camelot (GB)) was not done any favours in 11 in a race which has been won by fillies drawn in double figures only twice in the last 10 runnings.

One of the duo to overcome a wide post was Star Of Seville (GB) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}) in 2015, and her trainer John Gosden knows the significance of the draw. “She’s a tough filly and she needs to be from stall 12,” he stated. “She’s in great form and we’re really happy with her and her work has been great this year.”
He added, “She’s very business-like, both in the mornings and her racing and has shown nothing but a great mental attitude to her racing and has been very consistent.”

Others of note include Ballydoyle’s *Never Ending Story (Ire)* (Dubawi {Ire}) in stall three, Everest Racing’s Pouliches runner-up *Lindy (Fr)* (Le Havre {Ire}) in 13 and Al Shira’aa Farms’s unbeaten G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner *Jannah Rose (Ire)* (Frankel {GB}) in seven. The Saint-Alary runner-up *Elusive Princess (Fr)* (Martinborough {Jpn}), supplemented by LNJ Foxwoods, is in stall 14.

**LISTED WINNER MOON DE VEGA ADDED TO GOFFS LONDON SALE**

Recent listed winner *Moon De Vega (GB)* (Lope De Vega {Ire}) (lot 26) has been added to the June 19 Goffs London Sale in association with Privat 3 Money.

The wildcard, trained by Paddy Twomey, won the Listed Glencairn S. at Leopardstown. A 4-year-old filly, she is from the same family as multiple group winner Celimene (Ire) (Dr Fong), and the Listed Prix des Jouveneaux et des Jouvelles heroine Lunaska (Fr) (Ashkalani {Ire}).

Held in the Kensington Palace Gardens, the sale also features 16 lots with Royal Ascot entries. For more information, please visit the Goffs website.

**CULLEN BIRKETT NAMED TDN EUROPE’S BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**

Alayna Cullen Birkett has been promoted to Business Development Manager at TDN Europe. Cullen Birkett joined the company as TDN Europe’s Marketing Manager in 2017, upon graduating from the Godolphin Flying Start programme, and has prospered in that role ever since.

Cullen Birkett has established strong relationships with the company’s European-based clients as well as contributing to the ever-growing TDNtv. She has also initiated a series of improvements on the company’s social media platforms.

Gary King, TDN's Senior Vice President, said, “We are delighted to promote Alayna to Business Development Manager. Alayna has worked tirelessly since joining the team six years ago, and this role is well suited to her skillset. TDN Europe has taken on its own identity in recent years, and we expect that to become even more significant in the years to come. Alayna will be integral to that process.”

Cullen Birkett will continue to work alongside TDN Europe’s Newmarket-based team of Emma Berry and Sean Cronin, as well as Brian Sheerin in Ireland, Tom Frary in France, and Gary King and Heather Anderson in the U.S. The team is supported by TDN America’s Alan Carasso and Christina Bossinakis and the feature writing of Chris McGrath and John Berry.

"I feel incredibly fortunate to have learned an immense amount from Sue, Gary and the TDN team since I started with the company," said Cullen Birkett. "It has been extremely rewarding to see TDN Europe grow since joining the company and I hope that in my new role I will be able to continue building its market share. I am very grateful to TDN for this opportunity."

TDN’s Publisher & CEO Sue Finley added, “From the time Alayna did her internship with us in 2016, we knew she had a bright future at the TDN. This step is the next logical one in her evolution with the company, and we look forward to her continued success with us.”
MOMENTUM CONTINUES AT PART 2 OF THE GOFFS ARKLE SALE

Goffs chief executive Henry Beeby has said that Part 2 of the Goffs Arkle Sale lived up to its billing after turnover climbed 7% on last year to €3,333,500. The average also climbed 10% to €19,725 with the median up 6% to €17,000 while the clearance rate dropped 3% to 79% with 169 of the 215 lots offered finding new homes.

Beeby said, "Our record-breaking Part 1 of the Arkle Sale could have been a hard act to follow but today’s Part 2 has very much kept up the momentum with another strong set of results. This is especially pleasing when last year recorded a 59% rise, so to build on that is quite something."

"As with Part 1 we are indebted to our vendors who chose Goffs for another fine bunch of potential NH stars and it is gratifying that Arkle Part 2 is also very much a first-choice sale for increasing numbers. Indeed, the three days have clearly demonstrated that Kildare Paddocks has been the focus of the NH world with a huge influx of buyers from home, the UK and further afield as they now recognise that Goffs Arkle provides a significant portion of the best bred and best looking 3YOs to be offered each year."

He added, "In fact, last year the Arkle Sale (as the Land Rover) sold the biggest share of select store horses which is quite some evolution and testament to the work of our superb NH Team who have liaised closely and diligently with NH breeders to make this sale unmissable for buyers of NH quality. It is also very pleasing that so many of our sale graduates perform at the highest level on the racecourse and at the season’s biggest meetings year after year. Once again, the closeness of the average and median prices has pointed to a sale of consistency, strength and depth and we salute our vendors for reading the market so well and extend sincere thanks to every buyer for their patronage."

FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Friday, June 16, 2023:

UNITED KINGDOM

Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud
13:30-SANDOWN PARK, 5f, Enchanting (GB)
14:50-CHEPSTOW, 6f, Noo Point (Ire)
£130,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2023

Eqtidaar (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Nunnery Stud
17:30-GOODWOOD, 6f, Shirlaski (GB)
4,000gns Tattersalls February Sale 2022; 42,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2022

Land Force (Ire) (No Nay Never), Highclere Stud
17:30-GOODWOOD, 6f, Land of Magic (GB)
6,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022
16:10-YORK, 5f, Stoneacre Girl (GB)
20,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; €18,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2022; £30,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2023

Phoenix of Spain (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Irish National Stud
17:30-GOODWOOD, 6f, Phoenix Duchess (Ire)
42,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Soldier’s Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud
16:10-YORK, 5f, Dibbsy’s Dream (Ire)
€15,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022
16:10-YORK, 5f, 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
17:30-GOODWOOD, 6f, She Wore No Jewels (Ire)
58,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; 30,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2022

FRANCE

Fas (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Haras de Saint-Vincent
1-DIEPPE, 1100m, Gofas (Fr)
OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

BROTHER TO SEALIWAY STARTS AT SANDOWN

14.40 Sandown, Mdn, £10,000, 2yo, 7f
SUNWAY (FR) (Galiway {GB}) is a fascinating newcomer in a potentially informative juvenile exchange, being a full-brother to the G1 Champion S. and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere hero Sealway (Fr) who made €300,000 at the Arqana August Sale. Debuting for his breeder Guy Pariente and Thomas Lines, the March-foaled bay is in the hands of David Menuisier who has opted to take on some experienced rivals in the race won two years ago by Native Trail (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). Two of them are the Charlie Appleby-trained Yarmouth fourth Inner City (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), the 1.1million gns Book 1 graduate and son of the G1 Pretty Polly S. heroine Urban Fox (GB) (Foxwedge {Aus}), and the Gosdens Royal runner Crown Estate (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). He is a son of the 2019 G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches heroine Castle Lady (Ire) (Shamardal) who was also fourth on debut behind TDN Rising Star Ancient Wisdom (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) at Haydock last Friday.

16.15 Cork, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, f, 6f
BRILLIANT (IRE) (Gleneagles {Ire}) is a significant debutante for Aidan O’Brien, being a half-sister to the four-times group 1-winning Sussex and July Cup heroine Alcohol Free (Ire) (No Nay Never). A 650,000gns Book 1 purchase, the April-foaled chestnut is in deep against Flaxman Stables and Coolmore Donnacha O’Brien-trained Mysteries (Ire) (No Nay Never), a Donnacha O’Brien-trained relative of Sadler’s Wells’ G1 Irish 2000 Guineas hero Saffron Walden (Fr) and fellow sire Dolphin Street (Fr) who was third to Ballydoyle’s TDN Rising Star Matrika (Ire) (No Nay Never) at The Curragh last month.

HOW THEY FARED

14.50 Newbury, £40,000, Nov, 3yo, f, 8f
Allan Belshaw’s Classic Times (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), who is a homebred full-sister to dual Grade I-winning distaffer and ‘TDN Rising Star’ Newspaperofrecord (Ire), raced in rear after a slow getaway and made some late headway to finish 9 1/2 lengths off the winner in a never-nearer seventh.

Soldier’s Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud
1-FAIRYHOUSE, 6f, Miss Black Jack (GB)
24,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; £50,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022
2-CORK, 6f, Stopitnowjulia (Ire)
€3,000 Goffs February Sale 2022

Ten Sovereigns (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud
2-CORK, 6f, Marclaflo Diamond (Ire)
Thursday’s Results:

3rd-Newbury, £40,000, Nov, 6-15, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:36.65, gd.
BACK SEE DAA (GB) (f, 3, Lope De Vega {Ire}--Zoella, by Invincible Spirit {Ire}), a neck shy of shedding maiden status in a seven-furlong heat at Doncaster earlier this month, broke well from her wide stall and was under a firm hold racing in the wake of the leader. Tanking to the front just inside the quarter-mile marker, the 11-2 chance was not for catching thereafter and lengthened clear to hit the line three lengths ahead of Sea Of Thieves (GB) (Cracksman {GB}). Back See Daa is the third of five foals and second scorer out of a winning half-sister to G3 St Simon S. winner and G1 Oaks and G1 Coronation Cup third High Heeled (Ire). High Heeled, a daughter of dual Grade II winner Uncharted Haven (GB) (Turtle Island {Ire}), is also a half-sister to the dam of G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 E P Taylor S. heroine Just The Judge (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}). The February-foaled bay is full to a yearling colt and half to a weanling colt by No Nay Never. Sales history: 200,000gns Ylg ’22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1:1-0-0, $6,838.
O-Teme Valley & Ballylinch Stud; B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE); T-Charles Hills.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

5th-Great Yarmouth, £7,200, Cond, 6-15, 3yo, 8f 3yT, 1:37.16, g/f.
EASTERN CHARM (IRE) (f, 3, Kodiac {GB}--Chastushka {Ire}, by Poet’s Voice {GB}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, $9,545. I-Olan & Christine Beard & Family; B-Powerstown Stud Ltd (IRE); T-William Haggas. *28,000gns Ylg ’21 TATOCT; €74,377 2yo ’22 GOFFDU; 2,400gns 2yo ’22 TATOCT.

2nd-Newbury, £10,000, Nov, 6-15, 2yo, 6 1/2fT, 1:18.91, gd.
IBERIAN (IRE) (c, 2, Lope De Vega {Ire}--Bella Estrella {Ire} (SW-Ire), by High Chaparral {Ire}) broke well and stalked the leaders in a handy third after the initial exchanges of this debut. Making smooth headway from halfway to launch his challenge passing the quarter-mile marker, the 7-2 chance was shaken up to gain control approaching the final furlong and ran on strongly under continued urging in the latter stages to defeat Judge Frank (Ire) (Inns Of Court {Ire}) by 1 3/4 lengths. “His work at home has been impressive from day one,” said Teme Valley’s Richard Ryan. “We did consider starting him in the [Listed] Chesham, but didn’t want to subject him to all the hullabaloo of, and all the lead-up to, [Royal] Ascot. He’s a quality horse and we’ve got big plans. Maybe it’ll be the [G2] Superlative S. at the [Newmarket] July meeting.” Iberian, the second of four foals, is the first scorer out of Listed Cairn Rouge S. victrix Bella Estrella (Ire), herself a full-sister to G3 St Simon S. winner and G1 Oaks and G1 Coronation Cup third High Heeled (Ire). High Heeled, a daughter of dual Grade II winner Uncharted Haven (GB) (Turtle Island {Ire}), is also a half-sister to the dam of G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 E P Taylor S. heroine Just The Judge (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}). The February-foaled bay is full to a yearling colt and half to a weanling colt by No Nay Never. Sales history: 200,000gns Ylg ’22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1:1-0-0, $6,838.
O-Teme Valley & Ballylinch Stud; B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE); T-Charles Hills.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Catwalk Model (GB), f, 3, Charm Spirit (Ire)--Pizzarra (GB), by Shamardal. Great Yarmouth, 6-15, 6f 3yT, 1:11.83. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, $9,068. B-Bolton Grange (GB). *22,000gns Wlg ’20 TATFOA. **1/2 to Fashion Queen (GB) (Aqlaam {GB}), SW-Eng & GSP-Fr.
Kingman’s Crack Of Light winning at ParisLongchamp Thursday
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Crack Shot (Ire), g, 3, Kingman (GB)--Twitch (Ire) (SW & GSP-Eng, SP-Fr), by Azamour (Ire). Nottingham, 6-15, 8f 75yT, 1:46.23. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $4,787. B-Floors Farming & The Duke of Devonshire (IRE). *190,000gns Ylg ’21 TATOCT.

Thursday’s Results:

DARLEY PRIX DE THIBERVILLE-Listed, €55,000, ParisLongchamp, 6-15, 3yo, f, 12fT, 2:34.51, gd.

1--CRACK OF LIGHT (GB), 126, f, 3, by Kingman (GB)
   1st Dam: Dawn Horizons (GB), by New Approach (Ire)
   2nd Dam: Hidden Hope (GB), by Daylami (Ire)
   3rd Dam: Nuryana (GB), by Nureyev

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-A E Oppenheimer; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-William Haggas; J-Mickael Barzalona. €27,500. Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 4-2-1-1, €44,081.

2--Iznik (Fr), 126, f, 3, Zarak (Fr)--Delinda (Fr), by Sea The Stars (Ire). (€85,000 Ylg ’21 ARQOCT). O-Denford Stud; B-SCEA Haras de Gratte Panche, Mohsen Ben Hamouda, Samy Torgeman & Michel Dardenne (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. €11,000.

3--Yorokobi (Fr), 126, f, 3, Camelot (GB)--Elide (Ire), by Wootton Bassett (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE. (€160,000 Ylg ’21 ARQAUG).
   O-Ecurie Griezmann; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm & Ecurie des Charmes (FR); T-Philippe Decouz. €8,250.

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 3.30, 1.70, 2.30.

Also Ran: Shmi (Ire), Valcava (Swi), Liftoff (Fr), There’s The Door (Ire). Scratched: Amboise (GB). Video, sponsored by TVG.

Introduced at Wolverhampton in February, Crack Of Light had Godolphin’s Eternal Hope (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) back in third in that extended nine-furlong contest before running into that subsequent Listed Lingfield Oaks Trial winner’s smart stablemate Sapphire Seas (GB) (Frankel (GB)) over 11 furlongs at Kempton in April. Third to Warm Heart (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and TDN Rising Star Bluestocking (GB) (Camelot (GB)) in Newbury’s Listed Haras De Bouquetot Fillies’ Trial S. last month, the homebred was able to cruise in a close-up second throughout the early stages and after being committed at the top of the straight showed determination to ward off Iznik in the closing stages.

“I enjoyed a really good trip alongside the leader,” said rider Mickael Barzalona. “The pace wasn’t too quick and, as I didn’t want to get caught for speed, I was in the best possible position. I increased the tempo three out along the false straight and once she found her best stride she was always in control. I never feared the horse coming on my outside and she won very safely at the line.”

The dam, a daughter of the Listed Cheshire Oaks scorer and G2 Lancashire Oaks and G2 Prix de Pomone runner-up Hidden Hope, is also a a half-sister to the G2 Ribblesdale S. winner and Oaks third Frankly Darling (GB) (Frankel (GB)) and to the Listed Galtres S. scorer Our Obsession (Ire) (Shamardal), who in turn produced Frankel’s G3 Musidora S. runner-up Frankellina (GB). From the family of the G1 Coronation S. heroine Rebecca Sharp (GB) (Machiavellian) and the champion Golden Horn (GB), she has the 2-year-old filly Vitruvian Dawn (GB) (Study Of Man {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Pinatubo (Ire).

FIRST WINNER FOR SIRE

1st-ParisLongchamp, €34,000, Cond, 6-15, 2yo, 7fT, 1:26.60, gd.

WILL SCARLET (GB) (c, 2, Masar {Ire}--Lady Marian {Ger} {G1SW-Fr, GSW & G1SP-Ger, $546,566}, by Nayef), a May 25 debut runner-up tackling 6 1/2 furlongs at this venue last time, recovered from a sluggish getaway to stalk the tempo in a handy third through the early fractions. Impeded along the rail by the errant Jojo Junior (Fr) (Hunter’s Light {Ire}) soon after turning for home, the 2-5 favourite worked his way outwards into the clear passing the furlong pole and quickened smartly to deny Intellect (Fr) (Intello {Ger}) by an ultimately snug 3/4-of-a-length in the dying strides, becoming the first winner for his freshman sire (by New Approach {Ire}). Will Scarlet, half-brother to a yearling filly by Kingman (GB), is the ninth of 10 foals and fifth scorer out of G1 Prix de l’Opera heroine and G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) and G1 Prix Jean Romanet runner-up Lady Marian (Ger) (Nayef), who was the second highest-priced lot when knocked down for 1.8-million guineas at Tattersalls’ 2008 December Mares sale. The February-foaled bay is also kin to dual Group 2-winning G1 Jebel Hatta fifth Loxley (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}).
Will Scarlet is Masar’s first winner | Scoop Dyga

His dam is a half-sister to German Group 3 victor Lucidor (Ger) (Zafonic) and hails from the family of multiple Group 1-winning sire Lomitas (GB) (Niniski). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €23,000. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Andre Fabre.

IRELAND

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Bella Blue Eyes (Ire), f, 3, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--
Wells Present (Ger) (SW & GSP-Ger), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB). Leopardstown, 6-15, 7f 12yT, 1:29.88. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, $14,143. B-Wells Present Partnership (IRE).

85,000gns Wlg ’20 TATFOA. **Full to Well Timed (Ger), G1SW-Ger, $431,072.

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DARLEY MUNSTER OAKS S.-G3, €36,000, 3yo/up, 12f 0y

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