STRIDESAFE TOWN HALL IN KY: “THIS COULD BE THE ANSWER”

by Dan Ross

Last week, the research team associated with StrideSAFE—a biometric sensor mechanism capable of detecting minute changes in a horse's gait at high speed—announced that seven of eight horses that suffered catastrophic musculoskeletal cases at Churchill Downs during its most recent meet showed via post-race readouts abnormalities as soon as they left the starting gate.

In a nearly two-hour town hall Monday morning, StrideSAFE founder David Lambert and Churchill Downs equine medical director Will Farmer dug into the details, discussing the findings from an ongoing study in Kentucky and fielding questions from horsemen.

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72-HOUR PRE-RACE, PRE-WORK VET EXAMS IN PIPELINE FOR NEW YORK by T.D. Thornton

Thoroughbreds in New York would be required to pass a health check 72 hours prior to a race or workout if a new rule proposed Monday by the New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC) gets adopted after passing a public commentary period and a final vote by the commission at a future meeting.

The proposal that got put into the pipeline by unanimous voice vote after zero discussion among commissioners on Monday would require a trainer’s attending veterinarian to conduct the 72-hour fitness exams.

These health checks would be in addition to, and would not replace, New York’s current rule that requires an exam by the racing association’s veterinarian on race day.

"Adding the requirement for an examination by the attending veterinarian provides additional safeguards by ensuring an evaluation by a veterinarian with knowledge of the particular horse, while maintaining the examination by the racing association’s veterinarian as an additional level of review," stated a brief written by NYSGC general counsel Edmund Burns that was included in the informational packet for the June 26 monthly meeting.

"Furthermore, adding the requirement for examinations prior to workouts will implement equivalent protections for training," Burns wrote.

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SEVEN DAYS: RECAPPING ROYAL ASCOT

In this week’s Seven Days, Emma Berry reflects on last week’s exciting racing action from Royal Ascot, including a nod to the final meet for Frankie Dettori, the feelgood story of Pyledriver (GB) and the unveiling of the principle of Wathnan Racing.

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DERBY TROPHIES TOP SPORTS MEMORABILIA AUCTION
A group of five engraved Kentucky Derby trophies won from 1957 to 1969 by legendary jockey Bill Hartack was the top offering at Julien’s Auctions’ three-day Sports Legends auction. The trophies sold for $317,000.
Eric Hamelback, CEO of the National Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA), kicked the town hall off by cautioning how fatal equine injuries can happen no matter the regulatory safety net in place.

“Regulations are not going to eliminate risk,” said Hamelback. “And quite frankly, we don’t want regulations to eliminate horsemanship.”

Over the next two hours, Lambert made the case that StrideSAFE—which can pick up the sorts of very subtle lameness undetectable to the human eye that are significant enough to possibly cause major musculoskeletal failures at some point down the line—could, if utilized smartly, go a long way to reducing the number of horses injured on the track.

“I firmly believe the only way this problem is going to get solved is if we give the trainers the right kind of information and give it to them in time to give them a chance to do something,” he said, before alluding to the national attention focused on the recent spate of fatalities at Churchill Downs. As a result, the meet was transferred to Ellis Park.

“Right now, you guys are on a beating to nothing,” Lambert added.

As part of a study funded by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission (KHRC) and in tandem with Washington State University, StrideSAFE has been used on all horses that have raced during the Churchill Downs spring 2023 meet, which concludes this Sunday. It has also been used on a select number of horses breezing during the morning.

In all, researchers have collected information from 6,616 individual runs.

The information is organized like a traffic light. A result in the red means there is a potentially major problem and immediate scrutiny of the horse is needed. Cont.
Coady

“Stridesafe, cont.

An amber result suggests a small amount of change in the gait, and cautions connections to be on the lookout. A green result means there is no change and no immediate concern.

According to Lambert, about 5% of the horses studied were given the highest risk red-flag rating. These horses, he added, were about 300 times more likely to suffer a fatal injury than a horse green flagged.

As to how the technology works, StrideSAFE is a wireless iPhone-shaped device that fits snugly into the saddle towel, and eight hundred times a second, it takes an assortment of measurements to capture in minute detail the movement of the horse at high speed.

These measurements include the horse’s acceleration and deceleration, the up-and-down concussive movement of the horse, and its medial-lateral motion—what is, in other words, the horse’s movement from side to side.

“That’s 2,400 data points every second your horse is running or breezing, so this is a massive amount of brand-new information that nobody has ever [received] before,” said Lambert.

To understand exactly how StrideSAFE identifies almost imperceptible signs of lameness, it helps to break a single stride into three distinct stages. In the first phase of the gallop, the hindlimbs load and propel the horse forward. In the second, the horse shifts its weight toward the front, its forelimbs acting like shock absorbers. This is followed by the lynchpin of the equation: A period of suspension, a mere fraction of a second, when the horse is entirely airborne.

If that horse is suffering a physical ailment or injury, it cannot adjust its body to compensate when its feet are grounded. It can only do this in midair, rotating its spine and pelvis in preparation for a more comfortable landing. Imagine a racecar hurtling along at high speed, one of its bolts working loose. **Cont.**
**StrideSAFE, cont.**

“The horse does all kinds of things in the air, twisting and shaking and moving,” Lambert had previously explained to the *TDN*.

In Monday’s town hall, Lambert singled out the story of a horse that finished fourth in a Grade I event and showed no visible signs of lameness afterwards. The horse subsequently broke down over a week later during training.

“That sensor is screaming that the horse is in trouble,” said Lambert, highlighting abnormalities in a readout of the horse’s high-speed gait during the race.

The town hall proved contentious at times, with some of the attending horsemen—many of whose concerns were voiced by Hamelback—sharing their frustrations that last week’s announcement by the StrideSAFE researchers might have given the impression to the layman public that trainers should have known beforehand their horses were at risk.

Lambert apologized about the framing of the press release, all the while stressing how StrideSAFE could be an invaluable tool to catch potential problems early. The trick, explained both Farmer and Lambert, is to pair the StrideSAFE technology with a diagnostic follow-up to pinpoint the site of any brewing issue.

“It’s not a diagnostic tool, it’s a screening tool,” said Lambert.

Three red-flagged horses were subsequently scanned using the new PET imaging unit at the Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Kentucky, according to Denise McSweeney, a co-investigator in the study.

Lambert also admitted that the information collected from StrideSAFE paints far from a complete picture.

Not all the horses given a high-risk red-flag designation will suffer a fatal injury, for example. That’s because in part, the horse's stride can be affected by things like the motion of the jockey and by stumbles out of the gate. *Cont.*
**StrideSAFE, cont.**

Furthermore, “very occasionally, a green-flagged horse will go down,” said Lambert.

But the current inconsistencies in data interpretation are outweighed by the high rate at which the technology identifies potentially at-risk horses, he argued.

“If there’s a chance you’ll save a jockey from being paralyzed, it’s worth doing,” said Lambert, adding how greater use of StrideSAFE would aid in researchers and clinicians getting a better baseline understanding of what the data means.

Attendees also raised data privacy concerns. According to Farmer, the study results are not shared with the KHRC. Rather, the information is sent to Washington State University, where Warwick Bayly is the lead investigator.

In certain cases, the panelists explained, researchers have followed up with the horse’s connections directly.

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) is not affiliated with the program.

The ongoing Kentucky study marks just the latest StrideSAFE trial to show promising results.

Of the 20 horses that suffered fatal musculoskeletal injuries during the period of a trial involving the New York Racing Association (NYRA), 17 of them had received a red rating in a race before suffering a catastrophic breakdown. One of the 20 had received a prior dark amber rating.

“Really what my sensor is doing is helping horsemanship,” Lambert said on Monday. In racing’s ongoing quest to reduce equine injury and harm, he added, “This could be the answer horsemen are looking for.”

**New York vet exams, cont. from p1**

The proposed new language, which now will get published in the New York State Register for the public’s review, takes the form of an amendment to Rule 4007.5, which deals with qualifications to start.

A horse would be prohibited from entry into a race or from performing a workout unless such evaluation results in a determination that the horse is fit.

"The proposal is intended to minimize the risks of injury to horses that are unfit to perform," Burns wrote. "The proposed rule would require such attending-veterinarian examinations to include, without limitation, a close inspection of the eyes, examination of the legs, and observation of the horse at rest and while in motion.

"Following a determination that the horse is either fit to race or to work out, the attending veterinarian and trainer would be obligated to inform the racing association’s veterinarian of any changes in the horse’s fitness before race day or the workout" in a to-be-determined manner of reporting, Burns wrote.

According to the text of the proposed rule, the term "workout" would be defined as "an exercise session near full speed or close to full speed."

Burns wrote that, "While we have no reason to believe that an attending veterinarian would permit a horse under such veterinarian’s care to race or participate in a workout if the horse is unfit, staff believes it appropriate to require attending veterinarians to make such representations of fitness explicitly, as a further safeguard to promote the safety and health of New York's racehorses." **Cont.**
New York vet exams, cont.

After the vote, NYSGC chair Brian O’Dwyer noted that NYSGC staffers and the commission’s equine medical director, Scott Palmer, “are working on new approaches to minimizing bad outcomes on the track and in training. And I know that they will be coming up with further suggestions in the future if warranted.”

COUNTDOWN TO THE REAL RIDER CUP IN LEXINGTON by Katie Petrunyak

When the Real Rider Cup launched a second leg of its charity show jumping fundraiser last year in Lexington at New Vocations’ Mereworth Farm, the event’s creator Anita Motion said that her team was not sure what to expect. But the breeding and racing community showed up in force to support the cause and the evening was a smashing success. The place was packed as spectators enjoyed lighthearted competition and helped double the event’s previous record by bringing in over $90,000.

“We didn’t even think that it would go beyond the first year,” Motion admitted. “The turnout we had was pretty incredible. I think everybody thoroughly enjoyed it. It’s something very different. At a lot of fundraisers, you give the money but you don’t get much in return. Whereas with this, people are putting on a big show.”

The Real Rider Cup was launched in 2017 with the goal of raising funds—and awareness—toward Thoroughbred aftercare. Racing personalities team up with an off-track Thoroughbred to complete a timed course of jumps. Each participant is required to raise a minimum of $1,000.

Between its Mid-Atlantic home base at Fair Hill and now its Lexington location, the Real Rider Cup has raised over $410,000 to support its three beneficiaries: the Retired Racehorse Project, New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program and the Fair Hill Thoroughbred Show.

“Every single penny goes towards promoting and helping with all the future fundraising for each of the recipients,” Motion explained. “The reach that these organizations have is huge and the more we can get this out about what we do with our retired racehorses, the better. It just goes to show what these horses can do after their racing career.”

The Real Rider Cup will return to Lexington this year on Saturday, July 8 at New Vocations ahead of the Fasig-Tipton July Sale. Motion is hoping for another big turnout.

“We had no idea what to expect last year and if we get half of what we got last year, we’ll be doing very well,” she said.

One of the horse-and-rider pairs that is sure to garner recognition from their time on the racetrack is Kara Lee and her mount Thatcher Street (Street Sense).

The duo first met when Lee began exercise riding for Ian Wilkes at Churchill Downs in 2014. While it took 13 tries over the course of two years for Thatcher Street to break his maiden, as an older horse he developed into a stakes-level turfer for owners Randy Bloch, Phil Milner, John Seiler and Fred Merritt. A stalwart of the Wilkes barn for several years, the gelding earned over $450,000 from 40 lifetime starts and took home stakes wins in the 2016 Opening Verse S. and the 2016 GIII River City H., also placing second in the 2015 River City and running third in the 2016 GII Wise Dan S.

Lee said that Thatcher Street was always a pleasure to work with and was a barn favorite. Cont.
Real Rider Cup, cont.

“He was usually very good, but then a few days before race day he would get very tough,” she explained. “But at the same time, we used to pony on him at the track with horses that just needed a little bit of help. He was always very good with other horses, but he knew what his job was and he always showed up for race day.”

When it came time for the big bay to retire at the age of seven, he had a forever home with his exercise rider.

“He was the first stakes horse that I rode on the track, so he always had a special place in my heart,” Lee said. “When it came time for him to look for a new home, I just knew that I wasn’t going to be able to give him up so he came home with me. He’s earned it. He’s been really good to me and I always have fun any time I’m on his back.”

Lee and ‘Thatcher’ completed the Retired Racehorse Project in 2019, coming in the top five of the Field Hunter division and earning top amateur honors. The following year, Thatcher Street made his Real Rider Cup debut when he teamed up with jockey Brian Hernandez, Jr., who was one of his regular riders on the Kentucky circuit, for a virtual edition of the annual event (watch it here).

After enjoying some ‘R and R’ for the past year, Lee and Thatcher Street are ready to get back into showing. Lee decided that the Real Rider Cup would be a fun way to dip their toes back into the water.

Since she first started in the industry a decade ago, Lee has steadily become more involved in the industry and has found a passion for developing and placing horses once their time on the track has ended. One of the many horses that Lee has secured a home for is Thatcher Street’s half-brother Private Island (Bodemeister). Cont.
Real Rider Cup, cont.

The 2018-foaled gelding also raced with Ian Wilkes, breaking his maiden at Kentucky Downs in 2020 and earning just under $100,000. Lee took on the gray when it was time for him to retire and soon found a home for him with 19-year-old JayCee Vanesky.

Private Island and Thatcher Street actually met during their racing years in the Wilkes barn. In fact, Thatcher Street helped pony Private Island when he was first learning the ropes of the racetrack. Now, the brothers often reunite for eventing lessons.

Lee said that the sibling pair and their personalities reflect most of the off-track Thoroughbreds that she works with.

“There aren’t many other breeds of horses that are exposed to people cheering and yelling and umbrellas and strollers and just all the little stuff, so when they come off the track, they probably have one of the soundest brains that I’ve ever seen in a horse," she said.

The Real Rider Cup is one opportunity to showcase the versatility, temperament and ability of retired racehorses like Thatcher Street.

Many racing celebrities, both human and equine, have participated over the years, from this year’s Belmont Stakes-winning trainer Jena Antonucci to retired jockey Aaron Gryder and Zenyatta’s son Cozmic One (Bernardini). The later two will both be making repeat appearances on July 8 in Lexington.

The event is free to attend and the first rider will take to the course at 7 p.m. Food trucks, a cash bar and live music will all be on-site. Attendees can RSVP here. Supporters can also donate to their favorite horse-and-rider teams to help them meet and exceed their $1,000 goal here.

FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC UNDER-TACK SHOW TUESDAY

The under-tack show for the inaugural Fasig-Tipton Midlantic June 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale begins Tuesday morning at 8 a.m. at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. A total of 99 juveniles have been catalogued for the one-session auction, which will be held Wednesday. Bidding begins at 3 p.m. Click here to view the catalogue.

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HARTACK DERBY TROPHIES TOP SPORTS MEMORABILIA AUCTION

A group of five Lemon & Son brand sterling silver engraved Kentucky Derby trophies won from 1957 to 1969 by legendary jockey Bill Hartack was the top offering at Julien’s Auctions’ three-day Sports Legends auction held over the weekend online and live in the company’s auction house in Beverly Hills. The trophies sold for $317,000.


The weekend's auction also featured nearly nine hundred game winning jerseys, medals, memorabilia, and collectibles from sports stars such as Michael Jordan, Pele, Kobe Bryant, Diego Maradona, Babe Ruth, and Rafael Nadal.

KEEP, RACE FOR EDUCATION ANNOUNCE 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Over $33,000 in scholarships were awarded to Kentucky equine students for 2023, courtesy of The Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP) Foundation and The Race For Education (RFE).

The KEEP Foundation’s board of directors approved scholarships for 16 students attending equine programs at universities across the Commonwealth. All of the 2023 scholarship recipients are students currently enrolled at a university or college in Kentucky in either an equine- and/or agriculture-related major or have parents who work in the equine industry.

The 16 2023 Race For Education KEEP Foundation Scholarship recipients are: Jaida Alee, University of Kentucky; Brant Brower, Midway University; Alysa Farrell, University of Kentucky; Leo Foo, University of Kentucky; Rebekah Garza, Morehead State University; Kara Knott, University of Louisville; Thomas Mullikin, Robert Morris University; Lauren Mullikin, University of Kentucky; Taylor Nackers, University of Kentucky; Matthew Reidy, University of Kentucky; Noah Roberson, Kentucky Horseshoeing School; Sydnee Stacy, Midway University; Maddie Stephens, University of Kentucky; Sophia Vega, University of Kentucky; Samantha Versocki, University of Louisville and Logan West, University of Kentucky.

In addition to the 16 Kentucky students, the Race For Education also awarded its annual Robert J. Frankel Scholarship to four students from New York: Elsa Lorieul, Carlos Lopez, Francis Marrone and Anita Parrilla. Now in its 13th year, the Robert J. Frankel Scholarship, in honor of the late Robert (Bobby) J. Frankel, is awarded to students whose families are employed in the Thoroughbred industry and are pursuing any field of study at a college or university in California or New York state. All of the 2023 Frankel Scholarship recipients have parents that work at various racetracks in New York and will be attending universities in New York.
### Saturday, Ellis #10, post time: 5:26 p.m. EDT

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**Breeders:** 1-Tall Oaks Farm, 2-Lane Thoroughbreds, 3-Bret Jones, 4-Hurstland Farm & James Greene Jr., 5-Newtownanner Stud Farm, 6-Sierra Farm, 7-Brightwalton Bloodstock, 8-Juddmonte Farms (East), 9-Nathan McCauley, 10-WinStar Farm
## Saturday, Delaware #8, post time: 4:00 p.m. EDT
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1-Brent & Crystal Fernung, 2-The Elkstone Group LLC, 3-Rose Hill Farm & John Trumbulovic, 4-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 5-A. Francis & Barbara Vanlangendronck, 6-Robert & Lawana Low, 7-ZWP Stable & Non Stop Stable, 8-Magnolia Mares, LLC & Pony Express Sales,Inc., 9-Haymarket Farm LLC, 10-Scott Pierce

## Saturday, Delaware #7, post time: 3:30 p.m. EDT
### ROBERT G. DICK MEMORIAL S.-GIII, $250,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/8mT

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## Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT
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1-Stonehedge LLC, 2-Haras Paso Nevado, 3-Robert V. LaPenta, 4-Haras Matriarca, 5-Ocala Stud & William J. Terrell, 6-Mr. & Mrs. William A. T. Rainbow, 7-Wedgewood Farm, 8-Alex Lieblong & JoAnn Lieblong
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

CROWD PLEASER S., $96,000, Parx Racing, 6-26, (S), 3yo, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46.89, my.

1--MOVISITOR, 122, c, 3, by Uncle Mo
   1st Dam: Ristretto, by Medaglia d'Oro
   2nd Dam: Visit (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB)
   3rd Dam: Arrive (GB), by Kahyasi (Ire)
   ($135,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.
   O/B-Forgotten Land Investment (PA); T-Edward Vaughan;
   J-A. Beschizza. $60,000. Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-1, $113,265.

Margins: 5HF, 12HF, NO. Odds: 11.30, 5.70, 0.20.

Also Ran: Winnin'onweekends. Scratched: A Western Yarn, Fierce and Strong, Girlfromouterspace, Lord of the Navy, Mr Flowers, Rabbit.

Since breaking his maiden at second asking over the all-weather surface at Presque Isle Downs last Sept., Movisitor has kept nearly exclusively stakes company, finishing off-the-board in both the GIII Transylvania S. to open his 3-year-old campaign at Keeneland Apr. 7 and most recently in the GII Penn Mile June 2. Facing a scratched-down field of just three rivals in this off-the-turf contest as an 11-1 shot, the son of Uncle Mo seemed to relish his opportunity to tackle the sloppy main track at Parx. Tucked in third behind a pair of dueling rivals up front, Movisitor rated patiently before swooping by that pair to strike the front with authority from the half-mile pole on. Once in the clear, he finished nicely to win by open lengths over a strung-out trio behind him.

Out of a daughter of MGSW/MGISP Visit (GB) (Oasis Dream (GB)), Movisitor has several relatives who performed at the highest level including: G1SW Promising Lead (GB) (Danehill), SW/G1SP Laurel (GB) (Kingman (GB)), and GSW/G1SP Pounding (Aus) (Exceed And Excell (Aus)). Ristretto has a 2-year-old colt by Nyquist and reported a filly by Justify this year. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.

ONTARIO COUNTY S., (NB) $50,000, Finger Lakes, 6-26, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:12.41, ft.

1--LOOMS BOLDLY, 124, c, 3, Goldencents--See the Forest, by Forestry.
   O-Ten Strike Racing; B-Marshall Gramm & Clay Sanders (NY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Andre Shivnarine Worrie.
   $30,000. Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-2, $207,640. *1/2 to Critical Value (Bodemeister), MSW, $303,795.

Margins: 5 1/4, 2HF, 7HF. Odds: 1.00, 1.15, 4.90.

Also Ran: Shortsinthewinter, Dee's Wiseguy. Scratched: Leo and Royal, Mo Trump, Tacony Road.

Entered off a near gate-to-wire third-place finish in Belmont's Mike Lee S. May 29, Looms Boldly returned to the winner's enclosure Monday and picked up his second stakes win as the even-money favorite. Sent up to handle the pace-making duties, he outran Acoustic Ave into the turn, tipped down to hug the rail past the quarter pole, and opened up nicely while being kept to task through the wire for the easy win. Already a half to a successful runner in Critical Value (Bodemeister), Looms Boldly counts MGISW Critical Eye (Dynaformer) as his second dam. See the Forest failed to produce a foal when bred to Blame in 2021 and Bernardini in 2022 but foaled a colt by Constitution this spring. Click for the Equibase.com chart.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

2nd-Finger Lakes, $31,549, Msw, 6-26, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:06.13, ft, 5 lengths.

LITTLE MS SUNSHINE (f, 3, Army Mule--Sound Oftho Storm, by Freud) came in highly touted off a near-bullet drill June 19 (four furlongs in :48 1/5) and was bet down into 7-5 favoritism despite facing several more experienced maidens in this spot. Away to a clean beginning, she was game on the front end to contest a narrow lead with fellow first-time starter Head Case (Central Banker). Once loose on the front end with a quarter mile to run, Little Ms Sunshine kicked clear of the field and strolled home to defeat Head Case by five lengths. From the extended family of GI Central Bank Ashland S. winner and track record-setter Speech (Mr Speaker), Little Ms Sunshine has only a yearling half-brother by Mitole to race behind her. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $19,260. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O/B-Carol E. Pepper (NY); T-Richard Shaffer.

5th-Louisiana Downs, $27,000, Msw, 6-26, 3yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:45.07, gd, 1 3/4 lengths.

CITY NIGHTS (g, 3, City of Light--Stormy Rhapsody, by Unbridled's Song) made a single start at the Fair Grounds to begin his career Jan. 21 but could only manage seventh behind 'TDN Rising Star' First Defender (Quality Road). Fourth as the favorite last time out at Lone Star June 4, he returned to Louisiana and again went off favored at 3-5. Up to contest the lead with Humor Me Please (Lea), City Lights took over with a rail-skimming trip but had to keep fighting off that rival and dug in when briefly out-sprinted around the far turn. As Humor Me Please finally faded past the quarter pole, City Lights came home in front of a closing He Gots to Go (Speightster) to win by 1 3/4 lengths. From the family of multiple GSW's Master Command (A.P. Indy) and Aurora Lights (Pulpit), City Lights is his dam's last reported offspring. Sales History: $380,000 Wlg '20 FTKNOV; $400,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $18,162. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Courtlandt Farms (Donald Adam); B-Fred W. Hertrich ll & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

3rd-Fort Erie, C$17,280, Msw, 6-26, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.18, sy, 1 1/2 lengths.

ISA BREEZE (f, 3, Tiznow--A Better Breeze, by Dixieland Band), tabbed as the 5-2 favorite in her afternoon debut, had good gate speed to strike the front at first call and held her position throughout with only fellow first-time starter Hermione Granger (Mr. Scotty) giving chase. The pair came one-two down the lane with Isa Breeze going gate-to-wire to graduate by 1 1/2 lengths. A Better Breeze, herself a half-sister to MGSW Dr. Kashnikow (El Gran Senor), is out of a half to Canadian champion 3-year-old filly Hope for a Breeze (Briartic). The winner has a yearling half-sister by More Than Ready. Sales History: $27,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $7,865. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Hopefield Farm; B-Stan Dodson (ON); T-John Simms.

IN JAPAN:

Mystic Lore, c, 3, Arrogate. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan'

Lucks At There, f, 3, Kantharos. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan'

Annunciation, g, 5, Union Rags--Acquant, by Giant's Causeway. Tokyo, 6-24, Allowance, 1600m, 1:36.2. Lifetime Record: 15-3-5-2, $491,266. O-Silk Racing; B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); T-Takahisa Tezuka. *$230,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP.

IN TURKEY:

Aegean Finale, c, 4, Not This Time--Final Sense, by Street Sense. Veliefendi, 6-25, Halic S. (BT), 1600mT. B-Nimet Arif Kurtel (KY). *Ch. 2yo Colt-Tur. **Placed twice in handicaps during the 2023 Dubai World Cup Carnival at Meydan. ***$31,000 in utero '19 KEEJAN. VIDEO (SC 1)

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Calm Strong, f, 4, Bayern--Divas Seastar (SP), by Broken Vow. Busan, 6-25, KNN Cup (Kor-G3, NBT) ($383k), 1600m. B-Randy Taylor (KY). *$15,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT. VIDEO (SC 8)

IN MEXICO:

Tampico, c, 2, Connect--This Is War, by War Front. Hipodromo de las Americas, 6-23, Maiden, 5f. B-Kim & Rodney Nardelli & William Werner (KY). *Won by eight lengths. **$5,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.
IN RUSSIA:
Including Tap, f, 2, Tapiture--Including Me, by Include. Krasnodar, 6-24, Kuban River S. (Rus-G2, NBT), 1200m. B-Imperial Racing (KY). *Remained perfect in two starts. VIDEO (SC 5)
Tap Leader, c, 2, Tapiture--Others Will Follow, by Jimmy Creed. Krasnodar, 6-24, Allowance, 1200m. B-Vartan Vartanov (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. VIDEO (SC 4)
River Magic, f, 3, Good Magic--Rivertown Belle (MSW, $210,936), by Bellamy Road. Krasnodar, 6-24, Krasnodar Oaks (Rus-G1, NBT), 2400m. B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY). *Now undefeated in six career starts. **$32,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. VIDEO (SC 3)
Music Story, h, 6, Maclean’s Music--Holiday For Two, by Harlan’s Holiday. Kazan, 6-23, Allowance, 1600m. B-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). *Won by nine lengths for his seventh straight victory and ninth in 11 career appearances. **$27,000 Ylg ’18 KEESEP.

Saturday's Results:
12th-Hanshin, ¥15,200,000 ($105,853), Allowance, 3yo/up, 1800m, 1:52.5, gd.
MYSTIC LORE (c, 3, Arrogate--Folklore {Ch. 2yo Filly, MGISW, $945,500}, by Tiznow), was a near-miss second on course-and-distance debut Feb. 26 before besting fellow US-bred next-out winner Lap Star (Justify) when last seen over a muddy local strip Mar. 18., Favored at 7-5 off the three-month absence, Mystic Lore settled in about mid-division early on, appeared to be climbing a bit into the kickback and was steered into the clear down the backstretch. Ridden along 600 meters out, the $500,000 Keeneland September acquisition--who races for the Loves Only You (Jpn) connections--was poised four wide off the final corner, surged to the front with a sixteenth to race and pulled away despite some greenness to take it by three lengths. Mystic Lore is one of five winners from nine to race out of the 2005 Eclipse Award and GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile winner and is a half-sister to Rhodochrosite (Unbridled’s Song), the dam of Japanese Triple Crown winner Contrail (Jpn) (Deep Impact (Jpn)). Folklore is a half-sister to Grade III-placed Delightful Quality (Elusive Quality), whose two winners include two-time champion and four-time Grade I-winning ’TDN Rising Star’ Essential Quality (Tapit) and SW Famed (Uncle Mo). Now 20 years old, Folklore is responsible for a yearling Practical Joke filly and a Yaupon (Uncle Mo) filly foaled Mar. 15. Sales history $500,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $113,487. VIDEO (SC 7)
O-DMM Dream Club; B-Lewis Thoroughbred Breeding LLC (KY); T-Yoshito Yahagi.

Sunday’s Results:
12th-Tokyo, ¥15,200,000 ($105,853), Allowance, 3yo/up, 1400m, 1:23.4, ft.
LUCKS AT THERE (f, 3, Kantharos--Come Sunday (SW, $270,845), by Repent) graduated at first asking at Nakayama last December and was exiting an allowance second at Hanshin Feb. 11. Last away from the machine and hustled along early to gain a bit of forward position, the $45,000 KEESEP acquisition raced about three off the inside and in midpack to the turn. Still with plenty of work to do at the midpoint of the bend, the dark bay was switched out into the straight and finished off her final three furlongs in a race-fastest :35.4 to score by 1 1/4 lengths as the 37-10 third favorite. Lucks At There is a half-sister to Someday Soon (Proud Citizen), SW & GISP, $292,098; and Let’s Be Clear (Munnings), SP, $193,255, and is out of a full-sister to SW Repenting. Come Sunday is also represented by the 2-year-old colt Who Da Boss (Street Boss). Sales history: $45,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, $131,357.
O-Masanori Taki; B-The Estate of Tommy G Ligon (KY); T-Makoto Saito.

IN JAPAN:
Satono Mischief (Jpn), c, 3, Into Mischief--Play Pretty, by Indian Charlie. Hakodate, 6-25, 2600mT, 2:41.9. Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-1, $122,164. O-Hajime Satomi; B-Shadai Farm; T-Osamu Hirata. *$750,000 in utero ’19 FTKNOV.

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STAKES RESULTS:

POWER BY FAR S., $100,000, Parx Racing, 6-26, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :59.99, my.

1--HEY MAMALUKE, 128, m, 7, Jump Start--Pu Dew, by Lucky Lionel. O/B-Joe Capriglione (PA); T-Patricia Farro; J-Andy Hernandez. $58,800. Lifetime Record: 36-11-7-0, $621,139.

2--Hidden Cache, 123, f, 4, Central Banker--Secret Sea, by Cowtown Cat. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Norman Stables LLC (PA); T-James L. Lawrence, II. $19,600.

3--Tappin Josie, 124, f, 3, Anchor Down--Homemaker, by Afternoon Deelites. ($15,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT). O-Darryl Abramowitz; B-C. Blanford (PA); T-Horacio De Paz. $9,800.

HASTINGS S., $50,000, Emerald Downs, 6-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08.27, ft.

1--BLAZINGBELLABLU, 119, m, 5, Grazen--Bellomesa, by Sky Mesa. O-Charles D. Essex and Petra Lewin; B-Rainbow Meadows & Charles Essex (WA); T-Charles Essex; J-Alex M. Cruz. $27,500. Lifetime Record: 18-7-5-2, $238,211.

2--Slack Tide, 119, f, 4, Shaman Ghost--Impeached, by Northern Afleet. ($25,000 Ylg '20 WASSEP). O-Ten Broeck Farm, Inc.; B-William T. Griffin (KY); T-Blaine D. Wright. $10,000.

3--Cause She's a Lady, 120, f, 4, Creative Cause--Warriorsmcoutoplay, by Warrior's Reward. ($92,000 Ylg '20 FTCAYR). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Quest Racing; B-Thomas W. Bachman (CA); T-Blaine D. Wright. $6,000.

HASTINGS S., $50,000, Emerald Downs, 6-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08.27, ft.

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ADDABABY (f, 4, Formidable--Addedup Nicely, by Added Edge) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-2, $73,523. O/B-Doug Leaders (IA); T-Tom Wellington.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Parx Racing, $57,000, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 6-26, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.15, sy, 4 1/4 lengths.

HOPEFUL TREASURE (h, 6, Oxbow--Elle Special, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: GSW, 23-7-4-3, $360,107. O-Just In Time Racing LLC; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Michael L. Catalano, Jr. *$6,000 Ylg '18 FTKOCT.

8th-Los Alamitos, $52,012, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 6-25, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.35, ft, 1 length.

REDLINE (c, 4, Texas Red--Guadalupe High {MSW, $403,098}, by Cuvee) Lifetime Record: 17-4-5-2, $195,840. O-Les Blake; B-Wayne Detmar, Gene Voss, Keith Desormeaux & Rose Hill Farm (KY); T-Steve R. Knapp. *1/2 to Stella Noir (Stay Thirsty), GSP, $249,842.

12th-Prairie Meadows, $44,481, (S), 6-25, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.39, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

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Leading the Cause, g, 3, Brody's Cause--Leading the Band, by Bellamy Road. Prairie Meadows, 6-25, (S), 6f, 1:13.45. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, $37,385. B-River Ridge Ranch (IA).

Bustinroxy, f, 3, Bustin Stones--Rockin Emmzy, by Tale of the Cat. Finger Lakes, 6-26, 6f, 1:14.75. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-1, $34,525. B-Richard Kern (NY).

Espe's Guy, g, 3, Caleb's Posse--Esperanza, by Rockport Harbor. Prairie Meadows, 6-25, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:48.48. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, $28,380. B-Allen Poindexter (IA). *$42,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

E Minor, g, 3, Mendelssohn--Thmoruplathlesupay, by Unbridled's Song. Presque Isle Downs, 6-26, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:43.73. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $21,000. B-Ramspring Farm (KY).

Grandma T, f, 4, Cairo Prince--Verdula, by Mizzen Mast. Finger Lakes, 6-26, 1m 70y, 1:49.68. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, $20,883. B-Jerome S. Moss (KY). *$5,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

Worthiness, f, 4, Capital Account--Truly Awesome, by Awesome Gambler. Thistledown, 6-26, 6f, 1:12.80. Lifetime Record: 14-1-4-4, $50,400. B-BG Stables (CA).

Army Mule, Little Ms Sunshine, f, 3, o/o Sound Ofthe Storm, by Fred. MSW, 6-26, Finger Lakes

Brody's Cause, Leading the Cause, g, 3, o/o Leading the Band, by Bellamy Road. MSW, 6-25, Prairie Meadows

Bustin Stones, Bustinroxy, f, 3, o/o Rockin Emmzy, by Tale of the Cat. MSW, 6-26, Finger Lakes

Cairo Prince, Grandma T, f, 4, o/o Verdula, by Mizzen Mast. MSW, 6-26, Finger Lakes

Caleb's Posse, Espe's Guy, g, 3, o/o Esperanza, by Rockport Harbor. MSW, 6-25, Prairie Meadows

Capital Account, Worthiness, f, 4, o/o Truly Awesome, by Awesome Gambler. MSW, 6-26, Thistledown

City of Light, City Nights, g, 3, o/o Stormy Rhapsody, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 6-26, Louisiana Downs

Formidable, Addababy, f, 4, o/o Addedup Nicely, by Added Edge. ALW, 6-25, Prairie Meadows

Fullbridled, Bridleuptothebar, g, 4, o/o Nearlycocktailtime, by Thisnearlywasmine. Budweiser S., 6-25, Emerald Downs

Goldencents, Looms Boldly, c, 3, o/o See the Forest, by Forestry. Ontario County S., 6-26, Finger Lakes

Grazen, Blazingbellablue, m, 5, o/o Bellomesa, by Sky Mesa. Hastings S., 6-25, Emerald Downs

Jump Start, Hey Mamaluke, m, 7, o/o Pu Dew, by Lucky Lionel. Power by Far S., 6-26, Parx Racing

Mendelssohn, E Minor, g, 3, o/o Thmoruplathlesupay, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 6-26, Presque Isle Downs

Midshipman, Aye Aye Sir, g, 6, o/o Still Searching, by Seeking the Best (Ire). ALW, 6-26, Thistledown

Oxbow, Hopeful Treasure, h, 6, o/o Elle Special, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 6-26, Parx Racing

Texas Red, Redline, c, 4, o/o Guadalupe High, by Cuvee. AOC, 6-25, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred

Tiznow, Isa Breeze, f, 3, o/o A Better Breeze, by Dixieland Band. MSW, 6-26, Fort Erie

Uncle Mo, Movisitor, c, 3, o/o Ristretto, by Medaglia d'Oro. Crowd Pleaser S., 6-26, Parx Racing

Alpha, Beta, g, 6, o/o Seven Deadly Sins, by Action This Day. AOC, 6-26, Finger Lakes
SEVEN DAYS: A NEW FORCE EMERGES AT ASCOT

By Emma Berry

Pack away your hats and spend a joyful week in jeans and trainers. Royal Ascot was fabulous, as it always is. Though we may have tipped into the meeting being padded with too many handicaps, the results throughout the five days provided plenty of great storylines, even beyond the headline-hogger that is Frankie Dettori.

Unquestionably, though, the best race anywhere in the world in the last week came at Hanshin on Sunday. In the Takarazuka Kinen, Equinox (Jpn) (Kitasan Black {Jpn}) ran the kind of race that few horses can get away with, making his move when nine wide on the turn, but then few horses have his boundless talent. In these parts we will have to console ourselves by watching him on screen rather than in person, but even if Japanese runners couldn't be persuaded to Ascot this year, there was still plenty of international participation to savour.

Owners from 11 different countries celebrated success at the meeting, including Japan’s Tohsihiro Matsumoto, whose Duke of Edinburgh H. winner Okita Soushi (Ire), trained in the increasingly international stable of Joseph O’Brien, was one of two Ascot winners for his trainer, as he was for his sire, the late Galileo (Ire).

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John Quinn has identified the Breeders’ Cup as the long-term target for Highfield Princess after his stable star finished placed in both Group 1 sprints at Royal Ascot last week. The Night Of Thunder mare was fourth in the BC Turf Sprint at Keeneland last year. | Breeders’ Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

BLUE ROSE CEN HEADED TO NASSAU
Christopher Head’s star daughter of Churchill (Ire) has earned three Group 1 wins so far in her career and seeks a fourth at Goodwood.

DETTORI SEEKS MELBOURNE CUP WIN
In his final year in the saddle, the champion jockey will head Down Under seeking a first G1 Melbourne Cup win after finishing second twice.

HARRINGTON SENDS OUT PAIR IN OAKS TRIAL
Jessica Harrington will saddle both Snowcapped (Ire) and Small Oasis (GB) for Wednesday’s Al Shira’aa Racing Irish EBF Naas Oaks Trial at Naas.
Though there was no joy for the Australian horses who had travelled, Australia was represented by Terry Henderson’s OTI Racing, owner of Docklands (GB) (Maassaat {Ire}), who gave Harry Eustace his second Royal Ascot winner in just two years as a trainer.

Docklands was ridden by Hayley Turner, who in 2019 became only the second woman to ride a winner at the royal meeting after Gay Kelleway. Times are a-changing so fast that only four years later it barely counts as news to say that Hollie Doyle rode three winners at the same meeting, all trained by her main boss Archie Watson, and was third in the jockey rankings behind Ryan Moore and Dettori. Doyle may have outshone her husband Tom Marquand, but he had a memorable day of his own on Thursday when riding a double, the highlight of which was providing the King and Queen with their first Royal Ascot winner in the William Haggas-trained Desert Hero (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}).

Driven to Success

The feisty little homegrown hero Pyledriver (GB) (Harbour Watch {Ire}) was one of the feelgood stories of the week in the G2 Hardwicke S. on his first start in 11 months, along with that of Shaquille (GB) (Charm Spirit {Fr}), who came from a long last to first when blasting past favourite Little Big Bear (Ire) (No Nay Never) to take the G1 Commonwealth Cup for Julie Camacho and Steve Brown.

Pyledriver should return to Ascot next month in an attempt to defend his King George title, and there he could meet his fellow Coronation Cup winners Hukum (GB) and Emily Upjohn (GB), not to mention up to three Derby winners.

No fewer than four of the Royal Ascot winners had American owners. Wesley Ward would probably admit to having had a meeting to forget but he remains the most successful overseas trainer with 12 winners to his credit. Flying the flag for the USA was his colleague George Weaver with the demure Crimson Advocate (Nyquist). The filly was one of two juveniles he brought to the meeting but not the one who was sold for £800,000 on the eve of Royal Ascot at the Goffs London Sale. That was No Nay Mets (Ire) (No Nay Never), who finished ninth in the G2 Norfolk S.

The sale-topper, incidentally, Givemethebeatboys (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle {Ire}), who was bought for £1.1 million by the Sands family’s Bronsan Racing, wasn’t beaten far when fourth in the G2 Coventry S. less than 24 hours after he changed hands. Trading is an ever more ubiquitous element of the racing game these days, with an actual sale, an online sale, or a pop-up sale happening almost every week of the year, along with frequent private transactions.

The Coventry winner River Tiber (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) is almost a rarity in that he had been through just one sale as a yearling when sold by his breeder Pier House Stud for 480,000gns. Queen Mary heroine Crimson Advocate was a $100,000 Ocala October yearling, but a number of her owners bought into her last month after she had shown encouraging form on debut at Keeneland.

The Norfolk S. winner Valiant Force (Malibu Moon) was sold as both a weanling and a yearling and then withdrawn from the Craven breeze-up by Robson Aguiar, who also does much of the pre-training for the colt’s co-owner Amo Racing. Meanwhile, Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio), winner of the Albany S., raced initially in the colours of her breeder Annemarie O’Brien before being sold privately to her American syndicate of owners after winning on debut.

The Arrival of Wathnan Racing

By far the biggest splash on the recent transaction front, however, was made by Wathnan Racing, whose presence on the main stage at Royal Ascot was almost as noteworthy as Elton John’s farewell (of sorts) at Glastonbury.

The name Wathnan Racing, which was revealed last week as being owned by the Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, first appeared in sales results at last year’s Horses-in-Training Sale at Tattersalls.
A royal procession

Triple Time
b c FRANKEL - Reem Three  
Queen Anne Stakes Gr.1  
Bred by Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum

Mostahdaf
br h FRANKEL - Handassa  
Prince of Wales’s Stakes Gr.1  
Bred by Shadwell Estate Company Limited (IRE)

Courage Mon Ami
b g FRANKEL - Crimson Ribbon  
Ascot Gold Cup Gr.1  
Bred by Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd

Coppice
b f KINGMAN - Helleborine  
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Bred by Juddmonte

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b f EXPERT EYE - Illumined  
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The operation's Australian advisor Olly Tait spent 1.75 million gns on nine horses, including Bolthole (Ire) (Free Eagle {Ire}). Now four, he was subsequently twice placed for Alban de Mieulle in Doha before winning two Listed races in France in the last month, including on Saturday at Compiegne.

The most expensive of that set of horses was Inverness (Ire) (Highland Reel {Ire}), at 380,000gns, and he got off on the right foot for his new owner when winning the Khor Al Adaid Cup, a local Group 3 in Qatar, from Hamaki (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}), who was bought at the same time for 260,000gns. They too are with the French-born, Qatar-based trainer de Mieulle, who has now raced seven of the nine bought at Tattersalls.

The mutterings are that Wathnan Racing has intentions of major expansion. If that is indeed the case, then that aim will likely have been reinforced by two sparkling results at the royal meeting, ably assisted by John and Thady Gosden and Frankie Dettori.

After the win of Gregory (GB) (Golden Horn {GB}) in the G2 Queen's Vase on Wednesday, the identity of the main man behind Wathnan Racing was still being guarded. By Thursday, however, when Courage Mon Ami (GB) (Frankel {GB}) leapt from being a talented handicap winner to a Gold Cup hero on just his fourth start, it was clear that the horses' ownership could not remain under the radar.

With the help of agent Richard Brown and Tait, the Emir of Qatar has secured arguably the two best staying prospects in Britain who achieved the quite remarkable feat of each winning a major group race at Royal Ascot on their first start in the Wathnan Racing colours.

Gregory and Courage Mon Ami were bought respectively from their breeders Philippa Cooper and Anthony Oppenheimer. Courage Mon Ami was gelded over the winter, and Oppenheimer confided at Ascot that at one stage he had considered retiring him unraced because he was so big. Thankfully, his patience prevailed, and the staying division has a potential new superstar in its midst.

It is of course encouraging to witness the emergence of a major new overseas owner wanting to race horses of this profile. In Courage Mon Ami's case, no stallion career beckons for him, and even the hugely progressive Gregory, who is being aimed at the St Leger, is, sadly, of lesser appeal to commercial stallion farms and was thus perhaps a little easier to buy than a horse of a similar level racing over shorter distances.

What could become a concern for European nations in the longer term, particularly Britain with its relative paucity of prize-money, is how much the expanding racing programmes in the Middle East will have an effect on field sizes and the general quality of racing.

It is nothing new to see strong participation from a range of Qatari owners at the European sales. The Emir’s brother Sheikh Joaan Al Thani established the largely French-based Al Shaqab Racing just over a decade ago, and has been represented by the likes of Treve (Fr), Galileo Gold (GB), Shalaa (Ire) and Toronado (Ire). Their cousin Sheikh Fahad was the trailblazer for the family in Britain, and has an increasing interest in America, through his Qatar Racing operation. The 2011 Melbourne Cup victory of Dunaden (Fr), when the sheikh was still racing under the Pearl Bloodstock banner, can be credited as a major driver for his own expansion, which has included significant sponsorship through QIPCO of the British Champions Series and British Horseracing Hall of Fame. In France, the Arc meeting and the Prix du Jockey Club are both sponsored by Sheikh Joaan under the name of Qatar.

In recent years, Saudi Arabian owners have become more prolific buyers at the horses-in-training sales and it is easy to see that this will only increase given the expansion of the racing programme and boost to prize-money on offer in Riyadh and Ta’if, coupled with a small domestic breeding programme.

Dubai was of course the forerunner in the Gulf region when it came to establishing a major international race day that morphed into a carnival. The inaugural Dubai World Cup was run in 1996 with a line-up of horses from America, Australia, Britain, and Japan, as well as three trained by Saeed Bin Suroor. It took Dubai’s neighbours several decades to attempt to catch up, with the Saudi Cup launched in 2020 and with $20 million in prize-money for that race alone, overshadowing the $12 million on offer in the Dubai World Cup.

With its Emir’s Trophy meeting primarily, Qatar also launched a bid to attract international runners to Al Rayyan racecourse in Doha, though this hasn't really caught on in the same way.
Seven Days cont.

Meanwhile, Bahrain launched its own Turf Series in 2021 with a specific aim of luring overseas runners, and has ambitions to add to the limited number of pattern races currently run on the island, headed by the G3 Bahrain International Trophy. Members of Bahrain’s ruling family have also become more prominent as owners in Britain in recent seasons, with St Leger winner Eldar Eldarov (GB) and G2 Mill Reef S. winner Sakheer (Ire) representing Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa’s KHK Racing, while last week's G1 King's Stand S. winner Bradsell (GB) runs for his brother Shaikh Nasser’s Victorious Racing. Both operations have been active at the top end of the breeze-up and yearling sales, while Shaikh Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa, chairman of Bahrain's Rashid Equestrian and Horse Racing Club, is the co-owner/breeder with Shaikh Abdullah bin Isa Al Khalifa of last season's G1 Fillies' Mile winner Commissioning (GB).

With various members of Dubai's Al Maktoum family and Saudi's Prince Khalid Abdullah having had long established ties to Europe and beyond as the heads of significant owner-breeder operations, Arab participation in world racing is nothing new. What is new, however, is the establishment of a significant Gulf season with a more joined-up feel, starting in Bahrain in November and with lucrative meetings in Dubai, Saudi and Qatar through to the end of March. This will not only draw more foreign-trained runners with the promise of big purses, but will almost certainly mean that more horses than ever are bought at horses-in-training sales from outside that region and exported permanently, a situation that can only exacerbate the issue of dwindling field sizes in Britain.

To say change is coming is to overlook the fact that the racing and bloodstock scene is permanently evolving. What hasn’t changed is the allure of Royal Ascot, the crown jewels of British racing, with its irrepressible pulling power. Similarly precious jewels, however, are the horses at the core of this event, or more pertinently, their bloodlines. Lessons should be learned from other European neighbours with dwindling broodmare bands and fewer top-class races, that there is long-term pain to be had from the short-term gain of selling off too many prized assets.

Asadna cont. from p1

She added, "It's a bit too early to say what we might do, we'll just let him settle in at the yard and see from there."

Haynes also confirmed the transfer of Danger Alert (GB) (Ardad {Ire}) from Boughey’s yard, with the three-year-old having been withdrawn from the Palace of Holyroodhouse S. on veterinary advice at Ascot on Friday.

The three-times winner may not be in Haynes’ care too long though as he is entered at Tattersalls sales next month.

She added, "We also have Danger Alert who is entered in the July sale but will run before."
comfortably by 1 1/4 lengths. Sales history: 120,000gns Ylg ’22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $7,372.
O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Shang Shang Shang Partnership (IRE); T-Roger Varian.

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6th-Wolverhampton, £7,600, Novice, 6-26, 3yo/up, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:31.35, st.
GAME SET (IRE) (c, 3, Kodiac {GB}--Deleyla {GB}, by Acclamation {GB}), off the mark over this trip at Doncaster earlier this month, raced enthusiastically towards the fore from the break. In command at the top of the straight, the 1-4 favourite stayed on to score in straightforward fashion by 1 1/2 lengths from Verona Star (Ire) (Gutaifan {Ire}). The dam, a half-sister to the listed-placed Bayroot (Ire) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), descends from the matriarch Fall Aspen which links her to Dubai Millennium (GB) et al. Her yearling filly is by Dandy Man (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $32,108.
O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Owen Burrows.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Azahara Palace (GB), f, 3, Adaay (Ire)--Josefa Goya (GB), by Sakhee’s Secret (GB). Chepstow, 6-26, 8f 14yT, 1:35.09. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $6,491. B-Lord Margadale (GB). 10,000gns Ylg ’21 TATSOO. **1/2 to Windstormblack (GB) (Brazen Beau {Aus}), GSW-Ity, $756,534.
Tiffany (Ire), f, 3, Farhh (GB)--Affinity (GB), by Sadler’s Wells. Chepstow, 6-26, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:29.38. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $5,215. B-Elite Racing Club (IRE).

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**IRELAND**

**Monday’s Results:**

2nd-Ballinrobe, €14,500, Mdn, 6-26, 3yo, 9f 125yT, 2:04.58, gd.

**GREEN SKY (IRE) (f, 3, Mastercraftsman (Ire)--Heroine Chic (Ire), by Big Bad Bob (Ire)),** sixth on debut over a mile at Gowran Park in April, tracked the front trio early. Swinging wide on the home turn, the 11-4 shot overtook The First And Last (Ire) (No Nay Never) with 100 yards remaining en route to a half-length success. The dam, whose first foal was the Listed Doncaster S.-winning sire Dhaahmaan (Ire) (Kodiac (GB)), is a full-sister to the Listed Nijinsky S. scorer Backbench Blues (Ire). Her unraced 2-year-old filly Marie Ellen (Ire) (Starspangledbanner (Aus)) was an 80,000gns purchase by Nick Bradley Racing at the Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up, while she also has a yearling full-sister to Dhaahmaan. Sales history: i 95,000 Ylg > 21 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $9,849.

O-Simon Munir & Isaac Souede; B-Alexander Bloodstock (IRE); T-Joseph O'Brien.

**FRANCE**

**Monday’s Results:**

2nd-Lyon Parilly, €23,000, Cond, 6-26, 2yo, 6 3/4fT, 1:25.10, sf.

**WOOTTON VERNI (FR) (c, 2, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Vernie (Fr), by Kendargent (Fr))** tracked the leaders in fifth for most of this debut. Nudged along off the home turn, the 21-10 chalk eased closer with 300 metres remaining and quickened smartly inside the final furlong to defeat Spirituale (Fr) (New Bay (GB)) by an ultimately comfortable 1 1/2 lengths nearing the line.

Wootton Verni is the second of three foals and first scorer produced by a winning half-sister to G2 Prix de Sandringham victrix and G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix Rothschild placegetter Volta (Fr) (Siyouni (Fr)), G3 Prix des Chenes winner and G1 Dubai Sheema Classic third Calvados Blues (Fr) (Lando {Ger}) and G3 Prix des Chenes runner-up Scherzo (Fr) (Wootton Bassett [GB]).

The March-foaled bay is half to a yearling colt by Le Havre (Ire). Sales history: €175,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $11,500. Video, sponsored by TVG.

O-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois & Jean-Claude Seroul; B-Thierry de la Heronniere & Salabi Racing (FR); T-Jerome Andreu.

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

3rd-Lyon Parilly, €22,000, Cond, 6-26, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:39.21, sf.

**RUNNYMEDE (GB) (g, 7, Dansili {GB}--Indication {GB}, by Sadler's Wells)** Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, SW & GSP-Ger, SP-Fr, 26-9-4-1, €183,449. O-Stall Salzburg; B-Juddmonte Farms (GB); T-Sarah Steinberg. *75,000gns HRA 19 TATFEB. **Full to Stipulate (GB), SW & MGSP-Eng, SW & GSP-Aus, $330,292

1st-Lyon Parilly, €19,000, Cond, 6-26, 4yo/up, 5fT, :56.50, sf.

**TILL WE DIE (FR) (f, 4, Pomellato (Ger)--Hesat (Fr), by Country Reel)** Lifetime Record: 39-7-4-4, €99,960. O-Jordan Khalifa; B-Mathieu Boutin (FR); T-Jerome Andreu.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Top Of Mind (Fr), f, 3, New Approach (Ire)--Saxon Rose (GB), by Manduro (Ger). Lyon Parilly, 6-26, 11fT, 2:17.38. B-Le Thenney (FR).

**EUROPEAN NEWS**

**NAISSAU MISSION HANDED TO SUPERSTAR FRENCH FILLY BLUE ROSE CEN**

Blue Rose Cen (Ire) (Churchill (Ire)), one of the most exciting horses in France, is set to make her British bow in the Qatar Nassau S. at Goodwood on August 3.

Christopher Head’s star completed a rare treble at Chantilly when strolling to victory in the Prix de Diane earlier this month, adding to victories in the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and last year’s Marcel Boussac--a feat previously achieved by Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar), Divine Proportions (Kingmambo) and Allez France (Sea Bird {Fr}).
Blue Rose Cen cont.

Blue Rose Cen, who has won seven of her nine outings, was stepping up to an extended 10 furlongs for the first time at Chantilly and Head is eager to stick at that trip as the Churchill (Ire) filly takes on older rivals for the first time at Goodwood.

He told the Nick Luck Daily Podcast, "The main idea is to still keep up with the challenges. The owner has always been bold and daring in racing challenges and we have been talking about the next stage for Blue Rose Cen and he wants to go to the Nassau to do the same as Nashwa did with the Prix de Diane and Nassau double and we really have great faith in her with that programme.

"I don't think we have got to the limit of that filly yet. I still want to encounter the older fillies without getting into a new distance, so we'll keep with the distance we know she is best at right now and try to encounter a new panel of fillies to be able to know if she is capable of getting into the Vermeille and then we will pretty much know if she is an Arc or an Opera (horse).

"Even if she is not in the race, it is a possibility she can still be supplemented into the Arc. Leopoldo Fernández Pujals of Yeguada Centurion is a really a bold and daring individual, embracing challenges, so we're trying to do our best to get the horses to those kind of challenges, and that's why we're happy to go to the Nassau."

Head also trains Big Rock (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) for the same owner, but he failed in his Classic mission when beaten three-and-a-half lengths by Ace Impact (Ire) (Cracksman {GB}) in the Prix du Jockey Club.

That was his first attempt over further than nine furlongs and Head feels his future now lies over a mile.

He added: "He's pretty much a mile horse or a 1800-metre horse and we learned that in the Jockey Club. We will put him onto another path which is the Jacques Le Marois and probably the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes too."

SAKHEER FOUND TO BE LAME AFTER DISAPPOINTING ASCOT EFFORT

Sakheer (Ire) was found to have genuine excuses for disappointing in last Friday's Commonwealth Cup after trainer Roger Varian reported that the colt emerged from Royal Ascot with "front limb lameness".

The Zoffany (Ire) colt won two of his three juvenile starts last season, including the Group 2 Mill Reef S. at Newbury, and after failing to see out the mile in the 2,000 Guineas, was sent off as short as 17-2 for the Commonwealth Cup.

However, Sakheer trailed home last of the 13 runners reverting in trip, and Varian says that genuine excuses are coming to light for the sub-par performance.

The trainer posted on Twitter, "Unfortunately Sakheer is not 100 per cent following his run in the Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot on Friday.

"He is currently unsound and being investigated for a front limb lameness. He will require a period of time out of training but will return to the track later in the year.

"Whilst this is obviously disappointing, it does go some way to explaining his below-par performance."

DETTORI EXTENDS FAREWELL TOUR TO RIDE IN MELBOURNE CUP

Frankie Dettori has committed to riding in this year's Melbourne Cup and will bid to win the race for the first time on November 7.

The 52-year-old enjoyed a dream final week at Royal Ascot when riding Courage Mon Ami (GB) (Frankel {GB}) to Gold Cup glory and partnering a further three winners at the meeting.

Dettori was set to retire after the Breeders' Cup meeting at Santa Anita but the opportunity to ride a first Melbourne Cup winner at Flemington is understood to have enticed the legendary jockey into extending his farewell tour.

He said, "I have achieved all there is to achieve in horse racing and have had a fantastic career, but the Lexus Melbourne Cup has always been one race that I would love to win.

"I am looking forward to returning to Melbourne to ride at the carnival for one final time and hopefully I can finish my career with a Melbourne Cup win."
Dettori cont.

Dettori has ridden in 17 Melbourne Cups and been runner-up twice aboard Central Park (Ire) and Max Dynamite (Fr) (Great Journey {Jpn}).

"I do think she's a Breeders' Cup horse. We'll go down the same route. All being well, we'll run her in the Coolmore Nunthorpe, the Flying Five and see how we go. The July Cup is a question mark, though possibly Goodwood for her, possibly. That would give her a nice break."

HARRINGTON READIES TWO-PRONGED ATTACK FOR WEDNESDAY’S NAAS OAKS TRIAL

Jessica Harrington is preparing a two-pronged attack on Wednesday's Al Shira'aa Racing Irish EBF Naas Oaks Trial, a race the trainer won in 2019 with Trethias (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

Fresh from sending out Villanova Queen (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) to win at Royal Ascot, Harrington will rely on the progressive Snowcapped (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) and Small Oasis (GB) (Sioux Nation).

Ireland's champion jockey Colin Keane was in the saddle aboard Villanova Queen at Ascot and Harrington has snapped up his services for Snowcapped while Ben Coen rides Small Oasis.

"Things just didn't really work out for Small Oasis in France earlier this month when she ran in a listed race at Longchamp but she has come back from that in good form and we are looking forward to stepping her up in trip," Kate Harrington, assistant trainer to her mother, Jessica, said on Monday.

"Snowcapped has been a revelation this season and ran a cracking race on Guineas weekend at the Curragh. She is going from a handicap up to listed company now but hopefully she can keep progressing."

JULY CUP COULD BE NEXT FOR HIGHFIELD PRINCESS

John Quinn has identified the Breeders' Cup as the long-term target for Highfield Princess (Fr) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) after his stable star finished placed in both Group 1 sprints at Royal Ascot last week.

But first, Highfield Princess could take in the G1 July Cup at Newmarket, with Quinn reporting last year's triple Group 1-winning sprinter to have bounced out of Ascot in rude health.

The six-year-old was beaten a length when runner-up to Bradsell (GB) (Tasleet {GB}) in the King's Stand last Tuesday and was narrowly denied again when third to Khaadem (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) in Saturday's Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes.

He said, "We're as pleased as we could be. We'd like to have won one of them, but anyway, there we are. She has come out of Saturday's race really well, which is the important thing. She's a great mare."

The North Yorkshire trainer added that Highfield Princess is likely to chart a similar path to last season, which included victories in the Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville, Nunthorpe at York and Flying Five at the Curragh, before she finished a close-up fourth to Caravel (Mizzen Mast) in the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint at Keeneland.

He said, "She is in the July Cup in three weeks' time and we'll consider that, but if we don't, we'll just wait for a little bit.
Naas Oaks Trial cont.

She added, “We didn’t have Small Oasis last season but they are two fillies going in the right direction and we are looking forward to running them on Wednesday. Consideration might have to be given to looking at an Irish Oaks with them if they run well on Wednesday so we’ll wait and see what happens. The ground should be perfect for both of them.”

CONNECTIONS OF CHALDEAN EYE SUSSEX REMATCH WITH PADDINGTON

Connections of the 2,000 Guineas winner Chaldean (GB) (Frankel (GB)) could bid to turn the tables on Paddington (GB) (Siyouni (Fr)) in the G1 Sussex S. at Goodwood after suffering a comprehensive defeat to Aidan O’Brien’s Irish 2,000 Guineas winner in the St James’s Palace S. at Royal Ascot last week.

Frankie Dettori attempted to make all the running aboard Andrew Balding’s Juddmonte-owned colt, who had no answer when Paddington swooped by early in the straight at Ascot, but those associated with the colt are far from downbeat after the performance.

Juddmonte’s Barry Mahon said, "He ran a great race, to be fair. The winner is obviously a very good horse who is improving quickly and we were happy with our lad.

"We would have probably liked a lead. The early pace was pretty frenetic, I think Frankie just felt he couldn't get a breather into him the whole way and it just cost him when he turned in. All told, it was a nice run and we look forward to taking on the winner again some day."

O’Brien nominated the Sussex as a potential target for Paddington in the immediate aftermath of his Ascot triumph and Mahon also views the Group 1 contest as the obvious next port of call for Chaldean.

"That looks the next obvious target," Mahon said. "Let’s see how he bounces out of it, Andrew said to me the next day he was in good shape but I haven’t really touched base with him since.

"He’s not in the Prix Jean Prat, but that could be an option if Andrew thought it was the right thing to do. He’s a top-class horse. I suppose it’s more disappointing when you’re beaten if you have an unbeaten record, but luckily we were beaten in our maiden and Frankie fell off him in the Greenham at Newbury! We know he’s still a nice horse to look forward to for the rest of the year."

PRIX ROTHSCHILD AIM FOR ROGUE MILLENNIUM

Tom Clover will keep Rogue Millennium (Ire) (Dubawi (Ire)) to a mile after her Royal Ascot heroics in the G2 Duke Of Cambridge S. and is now targeting the G1 Prix Rothschild.

Rogue Millennium had done the majority of her racing over 10 furlongs prior to dropping back to the mile at Ascot last week and the move paid off in spades with the filly running out a gritty winner.

Clover has admitted that he is still pinching himself after his royal success and is looking forward to what the rest of the season might bring with the filly.

"It’s nice when a plan comes together," said Clover. "It was just the most incredible day--it was a really, really special day and it is only just sinking in now, I suppose. It has just been fantastic. You work your whole life towards it. It is fantastic, just superb.

"I would say she will go to the Prix Rothschild. It gives us a really nice timeframe. We didn’t put her in the Falmouth. She didn’t love the Rowley Mile last year and the meeting on the July course, it is quite tight between Ascot and Newmarket.

"I just feel you’d have every chance if you went straight to Deauville instead, so that’s what she will be training for."

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Rogue Millennium cont.

He added, "It's lovely to see her getting quicker and she's sharpening up all the time and actually, not to go very quick and to still get up and win was great."

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Advertise (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Manton Park Stud

103 foals of racing age

18:05-NEWBURY, 6f, Queen of Atlantis (GB)

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Eqtidaar (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Nunnery Stud

54 foals of racing age

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Magna Grecia (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

109 foals of racing age

18:05-NEWBURY, 6f, Rogue Rosie (GB)

16,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

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IN JAPAN:

Ahead (GB), f, 3, Frankel (GB)--Blanc Bonheur (Jpn) (MGSW & G1SP-Jpn, $902,130), by Deep Impact (Jpn). Hanshin, 6-24, Maiden, 1800m, 1:54.7. Lifetime Record: 9-1-1-0, $72,845. O-Yoko Maeda; B-North Hills Co Ltd; T-Kazuya Nakatake.
IN JAPAN:
Red Elan d’Or (Jpn), g, 6, Golden Horn (GB)--Rue Pomereu (Ire), by Dubawi (Ire). Hakodate, 6-24, Allowance, 1700m, 1:45. Lifetime Record: 23-4-7-4, $476,950. O-Tokyo Horse Racing; B-Shadai Farm; T-Katsunori Tanaka.

IN JAPAN:
Red Elan d’Or 1700m 1:45.

CZECH REPUBLIC

Sunday's Results:

103. CESKE DERBY (NBT), Kc2,000,000 (£72,540/€84,580/$92,260), Velka Chuchle, 6-25, 3yo, 2400mT, 2:31.84, gd.
1--ABHA (FR), 125, f, 3, Zelzal (Fr)--Nayfah (Fr), by Falco.
  O-Statek Blata Cesky Raj; B-K M Al Attiyah; T-Ingrid Janackova Koplikova; J-Ricardo Sousa Ferreira; Kc1,000,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, Kc1,498,250.
2--You Just Rock (GB), 128, c, 3, Hawkbill--L’ile Aux Loups (Ire), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). (3,000gns Wlg '20 TATDEF).
  O-Leram; B-Emma Capon Bloodstock; T-Luka Vaclav; J-Vaclav Janacek; Kc380,000.
3--Ganibet (Fr), 128, c, 3, Almanzor (Fr)--Gakku (GB), by Pivotal (GB). (€12,000 HRA '22 ARQNOV). O-Statek Blata Cesky Raj; B-Sumbe; T-Ingrid Janackova Koplikova; J-David Liska; Kc240,000.
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