THE X-RAY FILES: LIZ CROW

by Jessica Martini

The TDN sat down with bloodstock agent Liz Crow for this fourth offering in a series presented in cooperation with the Consignors and Breeders Association (CBA). Through conversations with buyers and sellers, the series looks to contribute to the discussion on radiograph findings and their impact on racetrack success.

Bloodstock agent Liz Crow, who has an ever-expanding list of accomplished sales purchases, as well as a burgeoning book of pinhook successes with partner Paul Sharp, admits there are subtle distinctions between buying to race versus buying for resale.

“There are several different findings for a horse that you can live with to race, but you can’t buy to pinhook,” Crow said. “Some of those things, for example, are the moderate to severe sesamoiditis and juvenile tendonitis. Those horses will be perfectly fine and perfectly normal if you give them time, but you can’t put them right into a 2-year-old sales cycle.” 

IN EXTENDING BAFFERT BAN, CHURCHILL DOWNS HAS GONE TOO FAR

Op/Ed by Bill Finley

With the Churchill Downs spring meet, which was moved over to Ellis Park, winding down, it appeared that Bob Baffert would soon be able to put the worst of his problems behind him. Baffert was serving a two-year suspension from Churchill Downs that came in the aftermath of Medina Spirit (Protonico) testing positive for a substance banned on race day after crossing the wire first in the 2021 GI Kentucky Derby. The suspension forced Baffert to sit out the 2022 and 2023 runnings of the Derby, the race that is at the core of his operation. It was a huge price to pay. The end of the meet on Sunday was supposed to mark the end of his ban and give Baffert the green light to run at Churchill, the other tracks owned by the company, and in the 2024 Derby.

Instead, Churchill announced Monday that Baffert’s ban had been extended through the calendar year 2024. The decision, Churchill said in a statement, was “based on continued concerns regarding the threat to the safety and integrity of racing (Baffert) poses to CDI-owned racetracks.”

It was a stunning announcement, and not just because it was unexpected. To extend the ban, based on what are best described as flimsy accusations, is overkill. Baffert served his time, his punishment was up and it was time for him to prepare for his return to the Kentucky Derby next year. Justice was not served here.

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FASIG JULY CATALOGUES COME UP ROSE HILL

A pair of Grade I winners who got their early starts at Tony Ocampo’s Rose Hill Farm grace the catalogue covers for next week’s Fasig-Tipton July Yearlings and Horses of Racing Age sales.

HOLLENDORFER, DEL MAR REACH SETTLEMENT

Hall of Famer Jerry Hollendorfer and the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club have reached an agreement in a lawsuit stemming from events during the summer of 2019.

EDA WINS THE GREAT LADY M

Eda (Munnings) kept her six-race win streak in tact with a gritty victory in the GII Great Lady M S. at Los Alamitos Tuesday.
The X-Ray Files (cont. from p1)

"You can’t give them the time because they have to get ready and start breezing," Crow continued. "Moderate to severe sesamoiditis requires 60 to 90 days before you break them. Obviously, you just don’t have 60 to 90 days [for a pinhook prospect]. You’ve got to start breaking them when they get to your farm and they need to be breezing by January. And that just doesn’t give you enough time. So it’s all about timing."

Whether it’s searching for a racing prospect or a potential pinhook, Crow said the biggest part of her job may be determining what is consequential and what isn’t on the vet report.

"I think your relationship with your vet is very important," she said. "Not trusting just the vet report or what the vet reports say, but actually forming a relationship with the vet and having that line of communication where you can have a discussion."

You as the agent, and with your client, you have to take that information and make that decision based on what you’re given."

Crow has been shopping the sales for over a decade and has learned to value just that type of relationship she has developed with Dr. Jeff Berk.

"I’ve been doing this for quite a while now and I’ve used the same vet my entire career," Crow said. "I have listened to Dr. Berk read vet reports to me and talk to me about this for 12+ years at this point. We vet 400-500 horses in September alone. Oftentimes, Jeff will say to me in September—we are obviously all moving so fast—he will say, ‘Call me on this one, let’s talk about it.’ And that means this is not a black-and-white thing. I honestly think it’s a toss up for what’s more important for my job, whether it’s picking out and finding a horse that has talents or is it really deciphering these vet reports."

Liz Crow and champion Monomoy Girl | Fasig-Tipton photo

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She continued, “Vet reports to me are very subjective. They are not black and white. If you get three different vets that you give you three different opinions—and that happens more often than not—they are giving you their opinion. They cannot tell you if this horse can or cannot make the races. They are using their experience to tell you what they think based on what they found in the X-rays. But these are not facts. So the most important thing for me, as an agent, is to decipher what that means and if it fits for what my client is trying to do with that horse.”

Crow has built a career on finding horses on a budget who go on to do great things on the racetrack. She purchased future champion Monomoy Girl for $100,000 at the 2016 Keeneland September sale and was able to acquire subsequent Grade I winner Jack Christopher for $135,000 at the 2020 Fasig-Tipton October sale.

“Sometimes the best thing you can do for your client is find that horse that doesn’t vet perfectly, but may be very athletic,” Crow said. “I’ve had a lot of success doing that and I think it’s a great way to approach it as long as your client is clear and understands the risk.”

After purchasing Monomoy Girl in 2016, the filly went on to win the 2018 GI Kentucky Oaks and twice won the GI Breeders’ Cup Distaff. The two-time Eclipse champion provided Crow a case-in-point.

“Monomoy Girl had moderate sesamoiditis behind in both hind ankles and she had an OCD removed behind as well,” Crow said. “Dr. Berk and I had a discussion about it and I was completely comfortable with bidding on her based on what he had told me. And I think it did bother a few people, from my understanding. But that’s the thing, when you get three or four different vets, they all have different opinions. I think that’s part of the problem, all of the opinions.”
Over the years, Crow has developed an understanding of what are significant issues and what issues she can deal with.

“If your vet says the horse has this, this, this and this, I sort of go through it and immediately think, a P1 plantar fragment behind, a lucency in the upper joint, mild sharpening in the upper joint of the right knee, those things are all fine. I know those three findings. Like a sharpening in the knee, any finding in the upper joint of the knee, mild to moderate sesamoiditis that scans well, a fragment in the back of the ankle, these things don’t mean anything really. They are just comments, a differentiation of normal. I think that there are a lot of findings that are just a differentiation of normal. And deciphering what is acceptable and what isn’t is not as easy as just looking at the vet sheet. Monomoy Girl is a great example of a horse that, if you read her vet sheet without any sort of context or discussion, you could think she could have problem, but she didn’t and none of those things bothered her throughout her entire race career.”

Advancements in veterinary scans provide potential buyers with a treasure trove of information to work through. That’s not a bad thing, according to Crow. “You can never go wrong with more information,” she said. “I am not going to say it’s a bad thing that we have better information. I am just going to say that every horse has something and it’s very rare that you vet a horse that is perfectly clean. You have to learn what you can live with. Most good horses have something. It would be great to continue to inform these buyers that horses don’t have to be NSA [no significant abnormalities] to be able to be purchased.”

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In Extending Baffert Ban, Churchill Downs Has Gone Too Far (cont. from p1)

Baffert’s problems began before the 2021 Derby. He had accrued a number of positives over a short period, including one with Gamine (Into Mischief) in the 2020 GI Kentucky Oaks. When Medina Spirit tested positive for betamethasone, Churchill Downs clearly had had enough.

“Failure to comply with the rules and medication protocols jeopardizes the safety of the horses and jockeys, the integrity of our sport and the reputation of the Kentucky Derby and all who participate. Churchill Downs will not tolerate it,” read a statement issued by the track at the time.

A two-year suspension followed. Baffert’s problems only mounted. He received a 90-day suspension from the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and New York Racing Association banned him for what turned out to be a year.

Baffert vowed to fight the charges “tooth and nail,” and that’s what he did. He and his legal team based their defense on the supposition that the betamethasone got into Medina Spirit’s system, not through an injection. But through an ointment used to treat a skin rash. That, they contended, meant that the positive should have been excused. That never seemed like a winning argument. The betamethasone was in the horse’s system. That’s all that mattered, and not how it got there. But Baffert kept fighting and contested every one of the suspensions as what seemed like a never-ending series of appeals worked their way through the legal system. As late as this year’s GI Belmont S., Baffert was still out there stating his case. In an interview with Fox he said that if he had to do things over again regarding the Medina Spirit matter he wouldn’t have done anything differently and that he didn’t break any rules.

That apparently didn’t go over well in the Churchill Downs corporate suites.

“Mr. Baffert continues to peddle a false narrative concerning the failed drug test of Medina Spirit at the 147th Kentucky Derby from which his horse was disqualified by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission in accordance with Kentucky law and regulations,” Monday’s statement from Churchill read. “Prior to that race, Mr. Baffert signed an agreement with Churchill Downs which stated that he was responsible for understanding the rules of racing in Kentucky and that he would abide by them.”
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The statement continued, "The results of the tests clearly show that he did not comply, and his ongoing conduct reveals his continued disregard for the rules and regulations that ensure horse and jockey safety, as well as the integrity and fairness of the races conducted at our facilities. A trainer who is unwilling to accept responsibility for multiple drug test failures in our highest-profile races cannot be trusted to avoid future misconduct."

There’s no doubt that Baffert could have handled the situation better and that a more prudent strategy would have been to shut up, take his lumps and wait patiently on the sidelines for his suspension to run its course. Had he done so, it’s likely that Churchill Downs would have reinstated him Monday rather than extending the ban.

Whether Baffert “peddled a false narrative” or not, no one deserves to be penalized--and penalized severely--for exercising their right to defend themselves. And that’s what Churchill has done to Baffert. Put in the same situation, most anyone would have done the same. By no means does anything he did constitute a case of “continued disregard for the rules and regulations that ensure horse and jockey safety...”

Another troubling aspect to this latest twist in the Baffert-Medina Spirit saga is that there’s no telling what Churchill will do next. In its statement, Churchill gave no assurances that it will drop the ban at the end of 2024. Rather, it said that it will re-evaluate Baffert’s status at the time. Do we know that they will ever welcome Baffert back at their tracks? We don’t.

Baffert is far from perfect and he never deserved to get a free pass for what he did. He should have been far more careful, not only with Medina Spirit, but with all the horses he had that tested positive. Instead, and at the very least, he was sloppy and took his eye off the ball. How did he and his veterinarian not know that treating Medina Spirit with the ointment Otomax could result in a positive? All of this would have been an issue with any trainer in any race, but when it comes to the biggest name in racing and the sport’s marquee race, you definitely have a problem.

So maybe Baffert deserved some of the penalties, especially the one handed down by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission. But at some point, the crime and the punishment need to fit. We no longer need to debate whether or not Churchill Downs was justified in banning Baffert for two years. That ship has sailed. The relevant issue now is the extension of the ban and for what reason. Since the original suspension was announced, Baffert has done nothing wrong and has not violated any rules or had any more positives. He should be on his way back and that he’s not suggests that Churchill Downs has a vendetta against him. It’s not right.

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**FASIG-TIPTON JULY CATALOGUES COME UP ROSE HILL by Jessica Martini**

When the Fasig-Tipton July Sale of Selected Yearlings catalogue came out, Tony Ocampo admitted it was exciting to see Grade I winner Chocolate Gelato (Practical Joke), a graduate of his Rose Hill Farm, on the cover. It was not until a few weeks later, when the Fasig-Tipton July Selected Horses of Race Age Sale catalogue came out with Stilleto Boy (Shackleford) on the cover, that Ocampo realized the operation had completed a rare double.

“I didn’t know it was going to happen,” Ocampo said. “The yearling catalogue came out earlier and we saw Chocolate Gelato was on the cover. That was very exciting. But then the Horses of Racing Age came out and all of a sudden we were like, ‘Wow, look, Stilleto Boy is on there.’ It’s very rewarding because we aren’t a large farm with a huge budget, but I am surrounded by great clients and great staff. I’ve been at it for a long, long time and it’s nice to see two of your graduates be on those catalogues.”

Chocolate Gelato was bred by longtime Rose Hill client Vincent Colbert. She sold for $165,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton July sale and was acquired by Repole Stable for $475,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale before winning the GI Frizette S. “She was always a very nice filly, very athletic and we loved the sire,” Ocampo said of the future Grade I winner. “We were happy with what she brought in July.”

At that same July sale, Rose Hill sold a filly by Mendelssohn, who the operation bred in partnership with John Trumbulovic, for $185,000. Named Opus Forty Two, she was second in the July 1 GIII Delaware Oaks.
Tony Ocampo | photo courtesy Rose Hill Farm

Those are the two fillies that we took to that sale,” Ocampo said. “So we are happy to see that, too.”

Stilleto Boy won the Iowa Derby for his breeders, the late John Kerber and his wife Iveta, and partners just days before selling for $420,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton July Horses of Racing Age Sale. The chestnut gelding was second in the GI Awesome Again S. and third in the GI Malibu S., GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational and GI Santa Anita H. for the new connections before earning his first graded victory in the GII Californian S. He added a top-level victory this March with a win in the GI Santa Anita H.

The Kerbers added another graded winner from there breeding operation when Mr. Wireless (Dialed In) captured the 2021 GIII West Virginia Derby and GIII Indiana Derby.

“Stilleto was born, foaled and raised and then we also broke him, so that was pretty neat,” Ocampo said. “And that was special because John Kerber had been with me since the early ‘90s and he just recently passed away last year. It was bittersweet, but he put so much into this business and he was so passionate about it. Towards the end, he was very sick and lo and behold, he gets two of his yearlings that he kept become graded stakes winners. All of a sudden, he had two graded stakes winners out of his crops, so that was great.”

Rose Hill will be represented by three graduates at the July yearling sale next Tuesday. Bred by Colbert, hip 170 is a filly by Maclean’s Music out of Salad Mood (Malibu Moon), a half-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Pacific Ocean (Ghostzapper) and to the dams of graded winners Blamed (Blame) and Litigate (Blame).

“She is a nice, big filly,” Ocampo said of the yearling, who sells with the Paramount Sales consignment.

Also consigned by Paramount Sales, hip 320 is a Rose Hill homebred colt from the first crop of Grade I winner Promises Fulfilled.

“We just got back his X-rays and they are clean and he’s got a good throat, so we are very excited,” Ocampo said. “He is peaking at the right time. He is very athletic, good sized. He’s by a sire who is a little bit of a question mark because he’s by Shackleford. But I think he’s going to be a useful horse. I think people will like him and I think he’ll do well.”

Warrendale Sales consigns hip 322, a filly by Gift Box out of Flatter Me First (Flatter) who is bred by Beth Miller’s ThoroughBred by Design.

“She is a really nice filly,” Ocampo said. “Also foaled and raised at Rose Hill for one of our good clients. [Miller] is a doctor at UK. We are excited about her, too.”

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While Rose Hill will not be represented by any graduates in the July Horses of Racing Age Sale, the operation does have a connection through trainer John Ennis, who breaks the Rose Hill stock.

Ennis, who topped the 2020 auction with the $475,000 County Final (Oxbow), will offer five maiden-winning 2-year-olds at Monday’s sale: Gewurztraminer (Collected) (hip 402); Intermittent Fast (Tapwrit) (hip 419); Laugh Now (Vino Rosso) (hip 431); Let’s Go Mark (American Freedom) (hip 434); and Woodcourt (Ransom the Moon) (hip 528).

“We don’t have any graduates in the racing age sale this year,” Ocampo said. “John Ennis has a few horses that he is selling, 2-year-olds, in that sale. The only connection is, he purchased them, but he broke them here at Rose Hill.”

The way Ocampo rattles off pedigrees and race records, it is clear graduates of Rose Hill never really leave the farm.

“We have them all on our stable mail and the owners are very involved—tweeet every time there is a work,” Ocampo said of keeping track of the farm’s graduates. “So we are very involved. They are like your kids growing up. We do follow them and it’s incredible when they start becoming successful.”

Ocampo served as farm manager at Gleneagles Farm for nine years before he and his wife Lisa bought the operation and renamed it Rose Hill Farm in 1999. The main base of operations for the farm is 400 acres on Rice Road just behind Keeneland and it also includes 275 acres on Parkers Mill Road.

While it’s primary focus is on working for clients, Rose Hill does have a small number of its own broodmares.

“We probably have five or six mares that are owned by Rose Hill 100% and then we probably have another 10 mares that we have in different partnerships,” Ocampo said. “Our goal is to breed to sell. Every year we end up, for one reason or another, having to keep something. If it’s a horse that we really like, but it has an issue and needs more time, or something that we didn’t get what we wanted at the sale and we end up keeping. Usually those are horses that are out of a young mare and we want to help the mare, so maybe it will be a partnership with a trainer or between us we will keep it and race. But really our goal is to sell them all.”

The Fasig-Tipton July Selected Horses of Racing Age Sale will be held Monday at Newtown Paddocks with bidding beginning at 2 p.m. The Fasig-Tipton July Sale of Selected Yearlings will be held Tuesday beginning at 10 a.m.

HOLLENDORFER, DEL MAR REACH SETTLEMENT IN LAWSUIT by Dan Ross

Hall of Famer Jerry Hollendorfer and the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club (DMTC) have reached an agreement in a lawsuit stemming from events during the summer of 2019 when the track temporarily barred the trainer from its grounds, according to a notice of settlement recently filed in the San Diego Superior Court.

The notice included no specifics.

“The terms of the settlement are to remain confidential,” explained Hollendorfer’s attorney, Drew Couto.

DMTC president, Josh Rubinstein, confirmed the settlement in an emailed statement.

“The resolution of this litigation does not reflect the merit of or any acceptance of liability by any party,” Rubinstein wrote.

The 22nd District Agricultural Association, which manages and operates the Del Mar Fairgrounds, is also a defendant in the suit. This resolution is the latest domino to fall in a sprawling series of cases filed by Hollendorfer after The Stronach Group (TSG) barred the trainer from its facilities in June of 2019. The company took the action after four of the trainer’s horses were irreparably injured during Santa Anita’s ill-fated 2018-2019 winter/spring meet.

This was a time when the track experienced a well-publicized spike in equine fatalities during an unusually wet spell. Hollendorfer has faced no formal regulatory sanctions for events that occurred during the meet.

Del Mar followed TSG’s lead in barring Hollendorfer from its grounds, but the trainer successfully overturned the track’s ban in court in July of that year.
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Events from the summer of 2019 spawned a handful of different lawsuits, most of which are now resolved.

Last June, Hollendorfer and TSG-controlled subsidiary owners of Santa Anita Park and Golden Gate Fields reached a settlement, the details of which were similarly undisclosed. Hollendorfer has not started a runner at any TSG-owned facility since that original 2019 ban.

Last month, the Blood Horse reported that a San Diego Superior Court judge had dismissed Hollendorfer’s case against the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB).

According to Couto, Hollendorfer intends to appeal that ruling. “The court is aware that Mr. Hollendorfer will be appealing the decision in that case,” he said.

Hollendorfer has been an annual face at Del Mar since the summer of 2019, but at a significantly diminished presence compared to the halcyon years of his numerical dominance since that original 2019 ban.

Since that original 2019 ban, Hollendorfer has not started a runner at any TSG-owned facility.

Hollendorfer sought to recover damages from DMTC for economic and reputational harm, filings show.

Hollendorfer’s training operations have seen marked declines since TSG’s ban was enacted in 2019. In 2018, he won 176 races and accrued over $7 million in earnings, according to Equibase. So far this year, he has won 14 races and won just under $670,000.

Over the weekend, a Monmouth Park press release detailed how the trainer had transferred 29 of his horses stabled at the track to long-time assistant Dan Ward, with a view to scaling back his operations to California only.

“I just want to concentrate on what I’m doing here in California,” Hollendorfer is quoted in the press release. “Dan and I have discussed for a while that he wanted a chance to go out on his own. Now seems like a pretty good time to do that.”

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GREAT LADY M S.-GII, $202,000, Los Alamitos, 7-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:15.06, ft.

1--EDA, 124, f, 4, by Munnings

1st Dam: Show Me, by Lemon Drop Kid
2nd Dam: Apt to Star, by Aptitude
3rd Dam: Sweeping, by End Sweep
($240,000 Ylg ’20 KEESEP; $550,000 2yo ’21 OBSMAR).
O-Baoma Corp; B-Nathan McCauley (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Juan J. Hernandez. $120,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 9-7-1-0, $592,600. Werk Nick Rating: A++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Chismosa, 117, f, 3, Clubhouse Ride--You Can Dream, by Cat Dreams. 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. O/B-Jaime Roberto Renella (CA); T-Rafael DeLeon. $40,000.

3--Elm Drive, 124, f, 4, Mohaymen--Lets Dance Charlie, by Indian Charlie. ($40,000 Ylg ’20 OBSOCT; $165,000 2yo ’21 OBSMAR). O-Little Red Feather Racing; B-Kenneth D’Oyen (KY); T-Philip D’Amato. $24,000.
Elm Drive looked to be inched away from the favorite inside the final furlong, but Chismosa flying late to her outside reinvigorated Eda who found another gear in the final jumps to get her nose in front on the line.

“She broke quick and I let her get comfortable,” said winning rider Juan Hernandez. “When she started to feel the pressure, she knew it was time to go. When she saw that horse on the outside, she didn’t want to get passed. She was very game and showed a lot of heart.”

Mike Marlow, assistant to winning trainer Bob Baffert, agreed with that assessment.

“She’s a fighter. She showed that today that’s for sure,” Marlow said. “[Chismosa] made us work there at the finish. That’s six in a row. It’s been over a period of time, but she’s solid. I think she really likes what she’s doing. She’s matured and gotten a little stronger from last year.”

Eda broke her maiden while making her third start in the 2021 Anoakia S. The bay filly added the Desi Arnaz S. before concluding her juvenile campaign with a win in the GI Starlet S. She made just one start last year, winning the GIII Santa Ysabel S. at Santa Anita and returned over a year later to win a Santa Anita allowance last time out Apr. 28.

Pedigree Notes:
Eda is the first foal out of Show Me, who also has a 2-year-old filly by Karakontie (Jpn) and a weanling colt by Munnings. The mare is a half-sister to graded winner Aegiean (Northern Afleet).

Breeder Nate McCauley purchased Show Me, with Eda in utero, for $24,000 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton February sale. Again in foal to Munnings, the mare sold for $535,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton November sale.

Her Karakontie juvenile RNA’d for $80,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale.

The victory gave McCauley his second graded victory of the holiday weekend following Stitched’s win in the July 1 GII Wise Dan S.
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**Breeders:** 1-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD & Bridlewood Farm, 2-CHC Inc., 3-Hinkle Farms, 4-Chervenell Thoroughbreds LLC, 5-Clearsky Farms, 6-Le Thenney, 7-Mr R. J. H. Geffen, 8-eLGee Farm

### Saturday, Belmont #10, post time: 5:49 p.m. EDT

**BELMONT DERBY INVITATIONAL S.-GI, $750,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT**

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**Saturday, Belmont #8, post time: 4:43 p.m. EDT**

**FASIG-TIPTON BELMONT OAKS INVITATIONAL S.-GI, $500,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT**

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**Saturday, Delaware #9, post time: 4:46 p.m. EDT**

**DELAWARE H.-GII, $500,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16m**

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**Saturday, Belmont #5, post time: 3:09 p.m. EDT**

**SUBURBAN S.-GII, $350,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m**

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**Breeders:** 1-RGP Ocala Holdings LLC, 2-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 3-Arindel, 4-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 5-Unbridled Explosion, LLC

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### Saturday, Prairie Meadows #8, post time: 10:09 p.m. EDT

**PRAIRIE MEADOWS CORNHUSKER H.-GIII, $300,000**

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### Saturday, Prairie Meadows #7, post time: 9:40 p.m. EDT

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## Saturday, Horseshoe Indianapolis #11, post time: 6:03 p.m. EDT

### INDIANA OAKS-GIII, $200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

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**Breeders:**
1-Serendipity Farm, Seaboard Brokers &Paul Morgano, 2-Brereton C. Jones, 3-Don Alberto Corporation, 4-Brereton C. Jones, 5-Colette Marie VanMatre, 6-Michael Meeks, 7-Randal Family Trust & W. S. Farish, 8-Stephen L. Upchurch
THIRD STREET FIRST WINNER FOR YOSHIDA

Third Street (Yoshida (Jpn)), co-owned by Shawn Davis and Bill Carnes and trained by Davis, became the first winner for his freshman sire with a romping 7 1/4-length victory at Lone Star Park Tuesday night. The bay gelding, who was fifth over a sloppy track in his five-furlong debut June 8, was sent off at 6-1 while adding an extra half-furlong in this second outing. He went straight to the early lead and took the field through fractions of :22.22 and :45.87. He extended his advantage into the lane and sailed home an easy winner. Pure Malice (Palace Malice) was second.

Third Street was bred by Bryon Henderson, who purchased the gelding's dam, Abbey Street, with the winner in utero for $13,000 at the 2021 Keeneland January sale. The mare is a half-sister to Grade I winner Wicked Strong (Hard Spun).

Winner of the 2018 GI Woodward S., Yoshida stands at WinStar Farm for a fee of $10,000.
Lifetime Record: MGSP, 12-4-3-1, $369,013. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**
O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Kenneth L. & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

6th-Belmont, $105,000, Alw (C)/Opt. Clnm ($80,000), 7-4, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:23.72, yl, 1 length.
**HEAVEN STREET (c, 4, Street Sense—Heavenly View, by Congrats)**, acquired approximately a year ago for $200,000 at the Fasig-Tipton July sale by his current ownership group off a third-place run in the Mystic Lake Derby at Canterbury, remained with trainer Brendan Walsh after the transaction. Unable to land a blow in Del Mar’s Oceanside S. soon after, he dead heated for fifth with this past weekend’s GII Wise Dan S. upsetter Stitched (Mizzen Mast) in a salty running of the GII Franklin-Simpson S. at Kentucky Downs in September. The dark bay had a rough trip when sixth on seasonal debut at Gulfstream Apr. 2, but seems to have turned a corner in three local starts. Third in the course-and-distance Elusive Quality S. May 6, he was second in another optional claimer going a furlong shorter June 1 first time with Flavien Prat in the irons. Off at 3-1 getting on less-than-firm turf for the first time since a victory in the Columbia S. at Tampa as a March sophomore, Heaven Street seized the early advantage under Prat. His pilot did well to maintain position as several foes looked to apply pressure, and Heaven Street headed for home in complete control that he never relinquished. Thin White Duke (Dominus), part of a favored entry, completed the exacta. The winner is entered in this year’s Fasig July sale as hip 411. He has an unraced 2-year-old half-brother named Big Ern McCracken (Uncle Mo) who fetched $170,000 at OBS April and a yearling half-brother by Nyquist. Sales history: $275,000 RNA Ylg ’20 KEESEP; $200,000 RNA 3yo ’22 KEEAPR; $200,000 3yo ’22 FTKHRA. Lifetime Record: SW, 15-4-1-3, $293,225. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

8th-Thistledown, $35,800, (S), Alw, 7-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:45.08, ft, 3/4 length.
**SWEET UNIQUE (f, 3, Free Drop Billy—Great Goin Rose (SP), by Albert the Great)** romped home by 9 1/4 lengths while facing state-bred foes in her 5 1/2-furlong debut June 1. The 2-1 shot was away slightly flat-footed, but rushed up between foes to take the early lead. Racing keenly on the front end down the backstretch, the dark bay filly opened up on the field into the lane and sauntered home a two-length winner. Sweet Unique is a half-sister to Uptown Gal (Don’t Get Mad), SW, $140,980; and to Altissimo (Noble Causeway), MSW & GSP, $1,152,395. She has a 2-year-old half-sister by Runhappy. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by TVG.**

6th-Finger Lakes, $24,040, Alw (C)/Opt. (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 41y, 1:45.08, ft, 3/4 length.
**DREAMAWAYSEVEN (f, 3, Always Dreaming—Away We Go (SW), by Tizway)**, a debut winner versus $40,000 maiden claimers at Aqueduct Mar. 17, rebounded from a troubled fifth-place effort Mar. 30 with a late-closing victory going seven furlongs in an Apr. 28 optional claimer last time out. The 6-5 favorite broke outwardly, but recovered quickly and settled in a stalking second behind Silent Invasion (Normandy Invasion), who took the field through fractions of :24.89 and :49.68. She engaged the pacesetter into the far turn and finally put that stubborn foe away in the dying strides to win by 3/4 lengths. Sales history: $11,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP; $25,000 2yo ’22 OBSOPN. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Nicewonder Stable, LLC & Serendipity Farm (KY); T-Chris J. Englehart.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Belmont, $87,300, Msw, 7-4, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.56, sy, 5 1/2 lengths.

FRAT PACK (c, 4, Upstart--Miss Baby Betty, by Warrior’s Reward), a $410,000 KEESEP yearling, had not been seen since finishing third in his six-furlong debut over a sloppy Saratoga surface last July. The even-money favorite rushed out to the early lead and was in control through a quarter in :22.82 and a half in :46.37. He skipped further clear in upper stretch and sailed under the wire 5 1/2 lengths in front of stablemate Magico (Good Magic).

Miss Baby Betty sold in foal to Gift Box for $4,500 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton December Digital Sale. She produced a filly this year. She also has a 2-year-old filly by GoldenCents who sold for $15,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale and a yearling filly by Volatile who sold for $27,000 at Keeneland November.

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Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $62,100.
O-Peter M. Brant; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

4th-Lone Star, $33,000, Msw, 7-4, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:05.86, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

KATIES SPIRIT (f, 2, Mitole--Illegal Search, by Officer), sent off at 4-1, stalked the pace of longshot Sthenic (Texas Chrome) through fractions of :22.19 and :46.19. She put a head in front of that rival at the top of the lane and drew away to score by 2 1/4 lengths. Katies Spirit is the third winner for her freshman sire (by Eskendereya). A $32,000 FTKOCT yearling, she sold for $87,000 at this year’s OBS April sale. Illegal Search produced a filly by Kitten’s Joy last year and was bred back to Midnight Storm. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $19,380.
O-Mark Norman & Norman Stables LLC; B-Susan King (KY); T-Jayde J. Gelner.

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Shagaf (Bernardini), Indiana Stallion Station, $2,500
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 3:01 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Datatts Life, 6-1
$4,500 KEE NOV wnl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Army Mule (Friesan Fire), Hill ‘n Dale at Xalapa, $12,500
143 foals of racing age/51 winners/7 black-type winners
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:07 p.m. EDT, $100K Checkered Flag H., 6f, Hot Little Thing, 8-1
$35,000 FTK OCT yrl; $80,000 OBS MAR 2yo; $125,000 E ’23 KEE APR

Justify (Scat Daddy), Coolmore Ashford, $100,000
344 foals of racing age/49 winners/9 black-type winners
7-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Versify, 9-5
$625,000 KEE SEP yrl

Redesdale (Speightstown), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, $2,500
74 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Finger Lakes, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Varsity Doll, 8-1

Rivers Run Deep (Ready’s Image), Poplar Creek Horse Center, $2,000
19 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Thistledown, 2:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Orville B, 8-1

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STAKES RESULTS:
NIAGARA S., (NB) $50,000, Finger Lakes, 7-4, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.57, ft.
2--Warsaichi, 124, f, 3, War Dancer--Saichi Sweepin, by Fusaichi Pegasus. O/B-My Purple Haze Stables LLC (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart. $10,000.
3--Lockbox, 122, f, 3, Central Banker--Barrier to Entry, by City Zip. O-Adrianne N. D'Alessandro; B-Jillys Fillys Stable, LLC (NY); T-Ralph D'Alessandro. $5,000.
Margins: HF, 6, 8 3/4. Odds: 1.35, 5.70, 3.05.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
7th-Belmont, $97,000 (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 7-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:03.43, yl, 1/2 length.
BE UP (m, 5, Temple City--Emerald Beech {GSW, $269,338}, by Maria's Mon) Lifetime Record: 13-5-1-0, $180,834. O-Sanford Goldfarb & Christopher Carney; B-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.
9th-Belmont, $80,000, (S), 7-4, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 6ft, 1:11.01, yl, 4 lengths.
KING MOONRACER (g, 5, Mission Impazible--Catalina Island, by Belong to Me) Lifetime Record: 20-2-3-3, $177,728. O-Spa City Stables; B-Sequel Stallions New York, Twin Creeks & Eisaman Farms NY, LLC (NY); T-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Michael J. Maker. *$4,000 RNA Ylg '19 EASOCT.
8th-Los Alamitos, $50,320, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 7-3, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.44, ft, neck.
MORAWETH (g, 5, Speightstown--Istriaaha, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 15-2-3-1, $60,373. O-3SL, LLC; B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY); T-Doug F. O’Neill. *$60,000gns 3yo ’21 TATHRA.
9th-Parx Racing, $45,360, (C)/Opt. Clm ($40,000), 7-4, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.57, ft, 3 lengths.
PRAETORIAN GUARD (g, 3, Speightster--Super Shopper, by Super Saver) Lifetime Record: SP, 11-3-2-1, $120,480. O-Conway Racing LLC (Mark Conway), Over The Moon Racing & Innovest BC LLC; B-Jimmy L. Gladwell, III (KY); T-Louis C. Linder, Jr. *$25,000 2yo ’22 OBSOPN.

2nd-Lone Star, $39,000, 7-3, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.48, ft, neck.
BLAME DAY (f, 3, Blame--Fancy Day (Ire), by Shamardal) Lifetime Record: 9-2-4-1, $89,367. O-Kirk, Kat and Sanders, Wayne R.; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-W. Bret Calhoun. *$25,000 Ylg ’21 KEEJAN; $50,000 Ylg ’21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Cabo Spirit (Pioneeorof the Nile), MGSW & GISP, $545,935; 1/2 to Convention (Constitution), MSP, $246,508.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, $38,600, 7-4, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.81, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.
EXTRASEXYBIGDADDEE (g, 5, Congrats--Extra Sexy Psychic (SW, $311,650), by Freud) Lifetime Record: 26-5-8-4, $268,400. O-Kirwan Equine Group, Inc.; B-Toni M. Kirwan & Edward Hipps (PA); T-Michael J. Trombetta. *1/2 to Extrasexyhippzster (Stroll), MSW, $268,400.

1st-Thistledown, $35,800, (S), 7-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.02, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.
OUR BUCKWHEAT (g, 3, Kettle Corn--Aide {MSP, $103,710}, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $41,820. O-BucKolmes Racing Stable and Boots N Bikinis LLC; B-Pat Coleman (OH); T-David Wolochuk. *$10,000 Ylg ’21 KEEJAN.

3rd-Lone Star, $33,500, (S), 7-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.44, fm, 5 lengths.
PRIMITIVO (g, 3, Cowtown Cat--Lil Egypt, by War Chant) Lifetime Record: 11-2-1-1, $57,062. O/B-Richard C. Spicer & William D. Spitler (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich.
5th-Thistledown, $35,800, (S), 7-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.66, ft, 3/4 length.
MOR VICTORY (g, 3, Mor Spirit--Deputy Sarah, by Deputy Commander) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-3-1-4, $96,807. O-Norman Stables, LLC; B-Susan Bedwell (TX); T-Jayde J. Gelner. *$25,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; $25,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Jakesam (Smoke Glacken), GSP, $159,102.
9th-Lone Star, $33,500, (S), 7-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:31.07, fm, 1 3/4 lengths.

HAILEY’S JEWEL (f, 3, Richard’s Kid—Maralago, by Thunder Gulch) Lifetime Record: 15-2-0-5, $40,881. O-Greg Klaerner; B-Leadem Farm (TX); T-Joaquin E. Garza. *$1,000 Ylg ’21 TTAYHR.

9th-Canterbury, $33,100, (C)/Opt. Clm ($35,000), 7-3, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.54, ft, 9 lengths.

DOCTOR OSCAR (c, 4, Shackleford--Miss Darla, by Montbrook) Lifetime Record: MSW, 17-8-3-2, $274,223. O/B-Pete Mattson (MN); T-Tim P. Padilla. *$1,000 Ylg ’21 TTAYHR.

7th-Louisiana Downs, $31,000, (S), 7-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:45.78, my, 1 1/2 lengths.

CHARLI MICHAEL (g, 5, Lewis Michael--One for Charli, by First Defence) Lifetime Record: 29-7-2-6, $94,985. O-McKinley Cantrell; B-Circle H Farms (LA); T-David Terre. *$4,000 Ylg ’19 ESYLR.

6th-Canterbury, $29,705, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($16,000), 7-3, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.07, fm, neck.

INESPERADO (g, 6, Animal Kingdom--Ez Indy, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 16-4-0-4, $67,346. O/T-Kevin Eikleberry; B-Terry C. Lovingier (CA). *$39,000 Ylg ’18 BARSEL.

2nd-Thistledown, $28,000, 7-4, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.48, ft, 3/4 length.

OTIS OTIS OTIS (g, 6, Will Take Charge--Pashmina, by Pentelicus) Lifetime Record: 48-9-5-10, $179,541. O-Gene Burkholder; B-Farm III Enterprises (FL); T-Kim A. Puhl. *$90,000 RNA Ylg ’21 KEESEP; $40,000 2yo ’22 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Pashito the Che (Flatter), MSW, $568,170.

Fany Bay Ali, f, 3, Counterforce--Chilli Chines, by Katowice. Emerald Downs, 7-3, 6f, 1:09.68. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, $21,683. B-White House Stables & George Robbins (BC). *C$15,000 Ylg ’21 BRCSEP. **1/2 to Herbie D (Orchid's Devil), GSW-USA, MSW-Can, $377,214.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:
Ozzies Wings Y G, g, 2, Bradester--Brightly, by Kitten's Joy. Lone Star, 7-3, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.18. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-1-2-0, $41,938. B-Joseph W. Sutton (TX). *$1,900 Ylg ’22 TTAYRL.

Swift Custom, c, 3, Custom for Carlos--Pronto Pronto, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Louisiana Downs, 7-3, (S), 6f, 1:11.52. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, $24,870. B-O V Moss (LA). *$5,000 Wlg ’20 ESLMIX. **1/2 to Saluda (Congaree), MSP, $273,952.

Flymetothemoonbaby, f, 3, Misremembered--Fly the Colors, by Giant's Causeway. Los Alamitos, 7-4, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:03.74. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $36,040. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). *1/2 to Love and Love (Goldencents), MSP, $382,957.

WIN OVER WYATT, g, 3, Overanalyze--Winners Get Even, by Stephen Got Even. Canterbury, 7-3, (S), 1m, 1:40.91. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, $21,940. B-Rod & Mary Moberg (MN).

BATTLE OF LEXINGTON, c, 3, War Correspondent--Samara Street (SP, $155,220), by Street Cry (Ire). Belmont, 7-4, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:45.30. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, $63,322. B-Highfield Investment Group Inc. (NY). *$10,000 Ylg ’21 SARAUG; $19,000 RNA 2yo ’22 OBSOPN.

OLGA’S GOLD DANCER, f, 4, Cord’s Koko Night--Papa's Dancing, by Papa Clem. Lone Star, 7-3, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:45.59. Lifetime Record: 9-1-0-0, $20,896. B-Teofilo Garcia (TX).
Always Dreaming, Dreamawayseven, f, 3, o/o Away We Go, by Tizway. ALW, 7-4, Finger Lakes

American Pharoah, Highland Grace, f, 3, o/o Caroline Thomas, by Giant's Causeway. ALW, 7-4, Belmont

Animal Kingdom, Inesperado, g, 6, o/o Ez Indy, by A.P. Indy. AOC, 7-3, Canterbury

Blame, Blame Day, f, 3, o/o Fancy Day (Ire), by Shamardal. ALW, 7-3, Lone Star

Bradester, Ozzies Wings Y G, g, 2, o/o Brightly, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 7-3, Lone Star

Congrats, Extrasexybigdaddee, g, 5, o/o Extra Sexy Psychic, by Freud. ALW, 7-4, Presque Isle Downs

Cord's Koko Night, Olga's Gold Dancer, f, 4, o/o Papa's Dancing, by Papa Clem. MSW, 7-3, Lone Star

Counterforce, Fanny Bay Ali, f, 3, o/o Chilli Chines, by Katowice. MSW, 7-3, Emerald Downs

Cowtown Cat, Primitivo, g, 3, o/o Lil Egypt, by War Chant. ALW, 7-3, Lone Star

Custom for Carlos, Swift Custom, c, 3, o/o Pronto Pronto, by Fusaichi Pegasus. MSW, 7-3, Louisiana Downs

Done Talking, In to the Night, f, 4, o/o Jennys Creek, by Greeley's Galaxy. ALW, 7-3, Mountaineer

English Channel, Whatlovemakeslike, f, 4, o/o Jonata, by Proud Citizen. Port Washington S., 7-4, Belmont

Free Drop Billy, Sweet Unique, f, 3, o/o Great Goin Rose, by Albert the Great. ALW, 7-4, Thistledown

Goldencents, Goldicat, f, 3, o/o Banjo Cat, by Bluegrass Cat. AOC, 7-4, Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing

Good Magic, House of Magic, f, 3, o/o House of Fortune, by Free House. MCL, 7-4, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred

Kettle Corn, Our Buckwheat, g, 3, o/o Aide, by Arch. ALW, 7-4, Thistledown

Kitten's Joy, Portfolio Company, g, 4, o/o Iteration, by Wild Again. AOC, 7-4, Belmont

Laoban, Streakin' Easy, f, 4, o/o Goldstreak, by Awesome Again. MSW, 7-3, Prairie Meadows

Lewis Michael, Charli Michael, g, 5, o/o One for Charli, by First Defence. ALW, 7-3, Louisiana Downs

Misremembered, Flymetothemoonbaby, f, 3, o/o Fly the Colors, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 7-4, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred

Mission Impazible, King Moonracer, g, 5, o/o Catalina Island, by Belong to Me. ALW, 7-4, Belmont

Mitole, Katies Spirit, f, 2, o/o Illegal Search, by Officer. MSW, 7-4, Lone Star

Mor Spirit, Mor Victory, g, 3, o/o Deputy Sarah, by Deputy Commander. ALW, 7-3, Lone Star

Mucho Macho Man, Waitwaitdonttellme, f, 3, o/o Yolie's Choice, by Silver Deputy. Niagara S., 7-4, Finger Lakes

Munnings, Eda, f, 4, o/o Show Me, by Lemon Drop Kid. GII Great Lady M S., 7-4, Los Alamitos

Overanalyze, Win Over Wyatt, g, 3, o/o Winners Get Even, by Stephen Got Even. MSW, 7-3, Canterbury

Richard's Kid, Hailey's Jewel, f, 3, o/o Maralago, by Thunder Gulch. ALW, 7-3, Lone Star

Shackleford, Doctor Oscar, c, 4, o/o Miss Darla, by Montbrook. AOC, 7-3, Canterbury

Speightster, Praetorian Guard, g, 3, o/o Super Shopper, by Super Saver. AOC, 7-4, Parx Racing

Speightstown, Moraweth, g, 5, o/o Istiraaha, by Tapit. AOC, 7-3, Los Alamitos Thoroughbred

Street Sense, Heaven Street, c, 4, o/o Heavenly View, by Congrats. AOC, 7-4, Belmont

Temple City, Be Up, m, 5, o/o Emerald Beech, by Maria's Mon. AOC, 7-4, Belmont

Texas Red, Daryls Trump Card, g, 2, o/o Bel Air Kid, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 7-3, Lone Star

Upstart, Frat Pack, c, 4, o/o Miss Baby Betty, by Warrior's Reward. MSW, 7-4, Belmont

War Correspondent, Battleoflexington, c, 3, o/o Samara Street, by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 7-4, Belmont

Will Take Charge, Otis Otis Otis, g, 6, o/o Pashmina, by Pentelicus. ALW, 7-4, Thistledown

Yoshida (Jpn), Third Street, g, 2, o/o Abbey Street, by Street Boss. MSW, 7-4, Lone Star
YLANG YLANG’S BREEDER CRAIG BENNETT HAILS PICTURE-PERFECT FILLY

By Brian Sheerin

Craig Bennett of Merry Fox Stud, joint-breeder of arguably the most exciting juvenile filly in training Ylang Ylang (GB) (Frankel {GB}), recalls how a visit to Coolmore Stud a number of years back made a lasting impression.

"When I went to Coolmore a couple of years ago, I can remember looking out at one of the paddocks where the stallions were," Bennett started.

"They had plaques outside the barns with the names of every black-type winner that the stallion had produced. When you got to the likes of Sadler’s Wells and Galileo (Ire), the plaques were never-ending.

"Every time we produce a listed winner or better now, I get a plaque made here and it goes up on the wall. My aim is to fill that wall!"

"The first one for this year arrived this morning and that was Voodoo Queen (GB) (Frankel {GB}). So there’s a pictorial representation of what we are trying to achieve here."

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MURPHY TO REPLACE DETTORI ABOARD CHALDEAN IN SUNDAY’S PRIX JEAN PRAT

Oisin Murphy will take over from the suspended Frankie Dettori aboard 2,000 Guineas winner Chaldean (GB) (Frankel {GB}) in Sunday’s G1 Haras d’Etreham Prix Jean Prat at Deauville.

Dettori will miss the ride after receiving a nine-day careless riding ban at Royal Ascot last month and that suspension will also rule him out of riding Emily Upjohn in the Coral-Eclipse on Saturday.

Murphy has never ridden Chaldean in public before but Barry Mahon, racing manager for Juddmonte, the owners of the top-notch colt, said once the Irishman was available to replace Dettori, connections were left with a straightforward decision.

"If everything is going okay with the horse and Andrew [Balding, trainer] is happy with him, the plan will hopefully be to run at Deauville and, as far as I am aware, Oisin Murphy will take the ride," Mahon told the Nick Luck Daily Podcast.

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**'DUBLIN TO BAHRAIN' SERIES ANNOUNCED**

Leopardstown and the Bahrain Turf Club announced a new series that will grant race winners automatic eligibility for the 2023-24 running of the Bahrain Turf Series.

**STAY ALERT CONNECTIONS LAUNCH APPEAL**

Connections of Stay Alert (Fastnet Rock) have lodged an appeal against the decision of the Curragh stewards not to reverse the placings in the G1 Pretty Polly S.

**ESPIONAGE RETURNS A WINNER**

TDN Rising Star Espionage (Galileo) marks his return to the races with a win in the Listed Lenebane S. at Roscommon Tuesday.

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**Murphy to ride Chaldean, cont. from p1**

He added, "Oisin is a top-class jockey and is part of Andrew's stable and we'll be delighted to have him on board. [Chaldean is] good, he came out of Ascot in great form and has only had two runs this year so is relatively fresh and he's in good shape."

**Craig Bennett cont. from p1**

Voodoo Queen carried the familiar yellow and orange silks of Merry Fox Stud to victory in a listed event at Pontefract last month. The victory was made all the more significant for the fact that she is a homebred out of the brilliant Cursory Glance (Distorted Humour), who gave Bennett, a qualified accountant, one of his greatest days in the sport when landing the G1 Moyglare Stud S. at the Curragh in 2014.

Fitting that the Curragh, a track Bennett describes as being a lucky place for him down through the years, played host to just about the most exciting debut performance that has been posted either side of the Irish Sea this season when Ylang Ylang justified the hype when scoring for Aidan O'Brien and the Coolmore partners on Irish Derby Weekend.

"She looks very exciting, doesn't she? It's really great to see. We had been hearing that Aidan liked her but I thought she did it very nicely. It's not easy to make all on your debut and, to quicken away the way that she did, she looks very exciting. I'm hoping that she will be the second Moyglare winner that we have bred.

"I thought Aidan's comment was quite telling after her debut. He said that she had been working with some of their very good colts and that she'd been doing things nicely. You have to be half decent to be able to do that."

Ylang Ylang was bred in partnership with Newsells Park Stud and is the first foal out of Shambolic (Ire) (Shamardal), who Bennett picked up through his advisor Gary Hadden at the Tattersalls December Mares Sale in 2019 for 800,000gns.

The sale of Shambolic's first foal Ylang Ylang will go down as a memorable one for the Merry Fox Stud and Newsells Park Stud axis as it kick-started what proved to be an emotional afternoon when selling for 1.5 million gns to MV Magnier and White Birch Farm. Bennett said, "We started buying mares with Newsells Park Stud around 2019 and Shambolic was the second mare that we bought in partnership together. We paid 800,000gns for her at the December Mares Sale at Tattersalls but I think Juddmonte were the underbidders. I quite like it when you have such a quality outfit as Juddmonte who also wanted the mare. Shambolic is by Shamardal and I can remember when we were going in to bid on her, it was Matt Coleman who commented that 'they aren't making any more of them!' Therefore, you are not going to get the chance to buy many more Shamardal mares with the pedigree that Shambolic had.

"Ylang Ylang is the first foal and, if I wasn't in partnership with Newsells, I would have been 99 per cent certain to have raced the filly myself. But the modus operandi with Newsells is to sell the first progeny out of every mare. Obviously, Graham [Smith-Bernal] has now bought Newsells and I get on great with him and have a great relationship with him and we decided to let Ylang Ylang go through the ring to see what she fetched. If we weren't happy with what she was selling for, the plan was to buy her back, but we didn't have to do that as her price flew up to 1.5 million gns. We still have Shambolic, and she's a very young mare, so hopefully this is just the start."

He added, "We had an incredible Book 1. We had three in the sale--we kept one, Ylang Ylang made 1.5million gns and then we sold a Dubawi (Ire) half-brother to Acer Alley (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}) and Digital Age (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) for 1.6 million gns. We'd never sold a horse through the ring for more than a million and then we had two in the one day.

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“I've always said that breeding and selling gives me a thrill for about 24 hours when you do it well but racing them gives you a thrill that keeps you going all year round.”

“Take for example Voodoo Queen winning at Pontefract, it’s just so exciting breeding a filly like that. Now, Ylang Ylang might be a bit different because it looks as though she might go on to operate at the very top level. The dam is still very young and it gives us every opportunity to really culture and develop that family now. It's just very exciting and it's great when people at Coolmore want to buy your horses because they are great judges and are great for the game. When they pay that sort of money for one, you'd have to be very disappointed if she wasn't any good.”

Ylang Ylang looked better than just good at the Curragh and is already sitting pretty at the head of the ante-post markets for next year’s 1,000 Guineas and Oaks. A lot of water has to pass under the bridge between now and then but one thing is for certain, Bennett has an awful lot to look forward to with Shambolic, who looks set to play a pivotal part of his 25-strong broodmare band in the years to come.

“Shambolic has a Kingman (GB) yearling colt and has a filly foal by Siyouni (Fr) on the ground. She’s back in foal to Frankel (GB) so it’s exciting stuff. Graham wants to breed to the best, I want to breed to the best, and I think we can help each other. Newsells are a commercial animal and I am an owner-breeder so the mixture between the two can work well.

“We started in 2006 with a very clear plan which was to buy quality broodmares. I came at it with the angle that a quality broodmare would retain value and if you could get it to win a stakes race you could increase their value. We are still breeding from the families that we started with and have some very good broodmares, there’s no question about that. I think it’s important to ask the right questions when you are doing the matings, and that's what Gary [Hadden] and I do, because then you will get the right answers more often than not.”

Bennett added, “You need two things to succeed in this game. You've got to have time and you need deep pockets. I got into a nice position in that I sold a business that I had a share of back in 2006 and I have been able to take it from there. I am absolutely delighted to have bred four Group 1 winners which, for a small stud, is a wonderful achievement. Hopefully, Ylang Ylang will make that five.

“I don't have a farm. The stud is completely virtual. We send the mares to wherever the stallions are based around October or November every year and we use Ballylinch Stud in Ireland, Fittocks Stud in England and Haras du Buff in France. That’s the model. I'm not a horseman, I’m an accountant by trade and I can analyse pedigrees and love doing that. But the one thing I have learned in life is, don't pretend you are good at something if you know you are not. You can kid yourself that you know about conformation but, when I sit down and talk to Bill [Dwan] and Gary, it's bloody obvious that I don't know what I am talking about so you need to surround yourself with good people. If you don’t, you will soon part with your money.”

Bennett’s philosophy is a simple one; breed top-notch racehorses. In a relatively short space of time and with the help of his close-knit team, Merry Fox Stud has become synonymous on and off the track for its association with classy blue bloods and the best may yet be to come.

"Last year was incredible, we had four stakes-winning homebred fillies. If we could do that every year it would be fantastic. Voodoo Queen has hit the board already this season so we are up and running with one. Hopefully there will be more to come and, with a bit of luck, Ylang Ylang will be the next." If things continue apace, Bennett may need to find some more wall space.

**LEOPARDSTOWN LAUNCH ‘DUBLIN TO BAHRAIN’ RACE SERIES**

Leopardstown and the Bahrain Turf Club have announced the ‘Dublin to Bahrain’ race series that will grant race winners automatic eligibility for the 2023-24 running of the Bahrain Turf Series. The first leg of the ‘Dublin to Bahrain’ race series takes place at Leopardstown on Thursday July 20. The series expands Bahrain’s existing sponsorship portfolio in Ireland, which is headlined by the Royal Bahrain Irish Champion S. and includes the Bahrain Turf Club Desmond S., both of which are run at Leopardstown.
The five races added to the Kingdom’s sponsorship portfolio are four handicaps, including the €40,000 October Handicap, and the Listed Knockaire S. The winner of each of the four handicap races will automatically be eligible for the Bahrain Turf Series, a ten-race series spread across five fixtures staged in Bahrain’s domestic season.

Last season each race in the Bahrain Turf Series was worth £60,000, a figure set to rise again in 2023-24.

Meanwhile, the winners of the Desmond S. and the Knockaire S. will receive an invitation to the Bahrain International Trophy, run in November.

Shaikh Salman bin Rashed Al Khalifa, Bahrain Turf Club High Committee Representative, International Racing, said, “We are delighted to expand our involvement with Irish racing. The ‘Dublin to Bahrain’ race series is a great initiative that we have developed with our partners at Leopardstown. The aim is to increase awareness among Irish owners and trainers of our own Bahrain Turf Series, a valuable ten-race series that runs from December to February and caters for both sprint and middle distance horses.

“In addition, as well as sponsoring the Royal Bahrain Irish Champion Stakes, our support for two other pattern races provides further opportunities to promote the Bahrain International Trophy, the Kingdom’s most valuable race.”

**CONNECTIONS OF STAY ALERT LODGE**

**PRETTY POLLY APPEAL**

Connections of Stay Alert (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) have lodged an appeal against the decision of the Curragh stewards not to reverse the placings in Saturday’s G1 Pretty Polly S.

The Hughie Morrison-trained four-year-old was beaten two lengths by George Boughey’s Via Sistina (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) in the 10-furlong contest, but the Jamie Spencer-ridden winner hampered a number of rivals in the closing stages.

The interference occurred as the field approached the final furlong when Via Sistina hung right into the path of eventual fourth Rosscarbery, with jockey Billy Lee forced to check his mount, while the Ronan Whelan-ridden Stay Alert was also tightened up by the winner.

While the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board confirmed Spencer has appealed the severity of the six-day ban for careless riding he received following the race, Morrison felt the incident had proved crucial to the result.

He said, “The connections have appealed. As he (Spencer) pulled that horse out, it was hanging right. He then continued to ride it for possibly a furlong and he didn’t make any correction until he’d seriously endangered two horses and two jockeys.

“If they can tell me they didn’t feel endangered, then end of story. It was hanging all the way and should have been corrected at least 100 metres before the incidents took place.

“When you get stopped in your run when you are quickening up and you have 100 yards to make up three lengths, you are lucky to make up one.

“Any other sport and you’d be thrown out, more so because the fourth horse (Rosscarbery) was prevented from coming third, which was quite significant when you are talking about a Group One.”

Stay Alert had won the G3 Legacy Cup at Newbury in September and had dropped back in trip on her seasonal bow when fifth to Free Wind in the Middleton at York in May.

Equipped with a first-time tongue strap, she travelled well and showed marked improvement at the Curragh, and Morrison added, “It helped her, made her concentrate and did everything we expected it to do. I don’t think she has a wind issue, it just helped her concentrate on the job.

“She showed how good she is. She is in the Yorkshire Oaks and there are a couple of races in France. Those are in the middle of August–there is nothing else for her.

“She could go for a colts’ race somewhere, that might be tempting, but you never know what the ground will be like in Germany, and you’d like to win a big race before you go to France.

“This was the target for her all year, so it was frustrating. We got everything right, but hit the crossbar. We’d like to win a good one and we’d like a clean fight as well.”
TRIPLE TIME OUT TO PROVE QUEEN ANNE NO FLUKE IN PRIX JACQUES LE MAROIS

Surprise Queen Anne S. winner Triple Time (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) could bid to prove that Group 1 success at the royal meeting was no fluke when lining out in the Prix Jacques le Marois next month.

The Kevin Ryan-trained colt had just a neck to spare over Inspiral at Ascot and a rematch is likely for Deauville.

Adam Ryan, son and assistant to the Hambleton trainer, said, “Triple Time has come out of the race absolutely fine and done very well. It was his first run of the year so he’d be entitled to come on for that as well. It was impressive what he did. To do that after such a long time off, not only to do that against Group One horses, but horses who’d had a run under their belt, was great.”

Though Triple Time holds an entry in the Sussex S., connections are keen on the August 12 Group One contest over a mile at Deauville instead.

“I think we are probably leaning towards France and the Prix Jacques le Marois,” said Ryan. “It’s nice timing between races and it will be more of a conventional track as well. He is obviously in the Sussex, as it was an early-closing race. “It is tough because you have to make the entries, but at the same time it is never firmed up, because of ground etc. Horses map their own way out. Group One horses, we all know the races for them.”

QBCS TO SPONSOR QUARTET OF AUTUMN JUVENILE RACES

QIPCO British Champions Series (QBCS) will sponsor a set of maiden races this autumn to help strengthen the 2-year-old programme in Great Britain. The four races will be run at the QBCS racecourses of Doncaster, Goodwood, Newbury and York. Each race will be run for a total prize fund of £30,000.

The QIPCO British Champions Series-sponsored maidens are scheduled from late-August to October, offering a springboard to compete in the 2024 Series, which kicks off at the QIPCO 2000 Guineas in May.

David Redvers, QIPCO’s representative and Racing Manager to Qatar Racing, said: “We are delighted to be supporting this initiative to boost prize money for developmental races and enhance the competitiveness of the British racing and breeding industries.”

The four newly sponsored races are made up as follows:

**Tuesday, Aug. 29 – Newbury**
QIPCO British Champions Series Maiden Fillies’ S., 6f

**Wednesday, Sept. 27 - Goodwood**
QIPCO British Champions Series EBF Maiden S., 1m 2f

**Saturday, Oct. 14 - York**
Coral EBF Maiden S. (QIPCO British Champions Series 2YO Race), 1m

**Friday, Oct. 27 – Doncaster**
QIPCO British Champions Series EBF Maiden Fillies’ S., 1m

Richard Wayman, Chief Operating Officer for the BHA, said: “Well-funded development races provide an opportunity to boost returns to owners in the early stages of their horse’s career, thereby potentially supporting the yearling market and, in doing so, assisting breeders at all levels.”

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

UNITED KINGDOM

Calyx (GB) (Kingman {GB}), Coolmore Stud
103 foals of racing age
14:15-THIRSK, 6f, Nobility Blue (GB)
15,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

Eqtidaar (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Nunnery Stud
54 foals of racing age
14:45-THIRSK, 6f, Master Eli (GB)

Inns of Court (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
168 foals of racing age
14:15-THIRSK, 6f, Kesteven Rda (Ire)
€1,500 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2022

Invincible Army (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud
95 foals of racing age
14:45-THIRSK, 6f, Mr Irrelevant (Ire)
€34,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; 22,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022
14:15-THIRSK, 6f, Vince L'Amour (Ire)
€36,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; €23,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

Land Force (Ire) (No Nay Never), Highclere Stud
117 foals of racing age
14:15-THIRSK, 6f, Good Morning Alex (GB)
2,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; €15,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2022
14:15-THIRSK, 6f, Marie’s Secret (GB)
£25,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

Magna Grecia (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
109 foals of racing age
14:30-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, Grecian Princess (Ire)
£16,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022
14:30-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, Indication Spirit (Ire)
€10,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022

Soldier’s Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud
121 foals of racing age
14:30-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, Lotting’s Lass (Ire)
€14,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022

IRELAND

Inns of Court (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
168 foals of racing age
2-TIPPERARY, 24K Coolmore Ten Sovereigns Tipperary Stakes (Listed)5f, Gaenari (Ire)
£23,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022; £3,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2023
2-TIPPERARY, 24K Coolmore Ten Sovereigns Tipperary Stakes (Listed)5f, Ziggy’s Dream (Ire)
£24,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

Phoenix of Spain (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Irish National Stud
97 foals of racing age
4-TIPPERARY, 7.5f, Spanish Flame (Ire)
€34,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021

HOW THEY FAIRED

Espionage (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), the son of the G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Even Song (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) who was second in the G1 Criterium International in October, was not flashy in this winning return but could turn out one of Ballydoyle’s St Leger prospects now he is back on track.
Observations cont.

**WARM HEART’S BROTHER DEBUTS AT TIPPERARY**

18.10 Tipperary, Cond, €18,000, 2yo, 7f 100yT

BREMEN (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) is one of three newcomers in this Glenvale Stud Race, with Donnacha O’Brien happy to pitch him in against Vincent Gaul’s impressive Roscommon maiden winner Spanish Flame (IRE) (Phoenix Of Spain {Ire}) and Ballydoyle’s Curragh third Portland (IRE) (Dubawi {Ire}), a son of the G2 Debutante S.-placed Zagitova (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}). Bremen, the sixth fowl out of the triple Australian group 1 heroine Sea Siren (Aus) (Fastnet Rock (Aus)), is a full-brother to last month’s G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Warm Heart (IRE) so might need more time to be seen to best effect.

**Tuesday’s Results:**

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF LENEBAKE S.-Listed, €40,000, Roscommon, 7-4, 3yo/up, 11f 154yT, 2:13.45, g/y.**

1--ESPIONAGE (IRE), 124, c, 3, Galileo (Ire)--Even Song (Ire) (GSW-Eng, $181,130), by Mastercraftsman (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O’Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €24,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 4-2-2-0, $94,997.

2--Young Ireland (Ire), 124, c, 3, New Approach (Ire)--Ard Fheis (Ire), by Lil’s Boy. O-Mrs J S Bolger; B/T-J S Bolger (IRE). €8,000.

3--Jackfinbar (Fr), 136, h, 8, Whipper--Anna Simona (Ger), by Slip Anchor (GB). (€41,000 Ylg ‘16 AROYRG). O-Haven’t A Pot Partnership; B-Larissa Kneip & Sandrine Grevet (FR); T-Willie Mullins. €4,000.

Margins: 1HF, HF, SHD. Odds: 1.10, 22.00, 18.00.
Also Ran: Serious Challenge (Ire), Kingswood (GB), Angels Wrath (Ire), Sionnach Eile (Ire), Imaginarium (Ire), Vega Magnifico (Ire). Scratched: Harbour Wind (Ire).

Up markedly in trip and racing for the first time since October, TDN Rising Star Espionage (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) made it a winning return in Roscommon’s Listed Irish Stallion Farms EBF Lenebane S. on Tuesday evening. Tracking the leading duo throughout the early stages with Ryan Moore navigating the track for the first time, Ballydoyle’s 11-10 favourite took time to pick up but after gaining the advantage inside the final furlong asserted for a 1 1/2-length success from Young Ireland (Ire) (New Approach (Ire)). “He had very good form as a two-year-old, but it’s taken a while to get him back and I was delighted with him today,” Moore said of last year’s G1 Criterium International runner-up. “It was a nice performance and I think he’s a quality colt who stays well. He got that mile and three quarters well and will be very comfortable up to fourteen.” Stable representative Chris Armstrong added, “We’ll probably look at something like the [G2 Great] Voltigeur from here. He’s one to look forward to. It was a good renewal of this race. Over the last few years three-year-olds maybe didn’t have the strongest record and it is tough for a three-year-old coming here against some solid older horses.” Even Song, who captured the G2 Ribblesdale S., also has the unraced 2-year-old filly Maenad (Ire) by Galileo and a yearling daughter of Wootton Bassett (GB). She is a half to Simple Verse (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade (Ire)), who was successful in the G1 St Leger and G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S. as well as the G2 Park Hill S. and G3 Lillie Langtry Fillies S. The family includes Red Stars (Ire) (Manduro (Ger)), whose two listed wins included the 2016 renewal of his race and who is alongside her relative two of three 3-year-olds to beat their elders in this in the last 10 runnings.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Passing Time (GB), g, 3, Time Test (GB)—Flash Colour (Ger) (SW & GSP-Ger), by Pivotal (GB). Ffos Las, 7-4, 8ft, 1:41.82. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, $8,092. B-Norris Bloodstock Ltd (GB). *11,000gns Wlg ‘20 TATFOA; €16,000 Ylg ‘21 TATIRY.

ITALY

Tuesday, San Siro, Italy

PREMIO PRIMI PASSI-G3, €88,000, San Siro, 7-4, 2yo, 1200mT, 1:09.60, gd.

1- FOLGARIA (IRE), 120, f, 2, Due Diligence

1st Dam: Full Moon Fever (IRE), by Azamour (Ire)
2nd Dam: Hasaiyda (Ire), by Hector Protector
3rd Dam: Hasainiya (Ire), by Top Ville (Ire)

1ST GROUP WIN. (€10,000 yrl ‘22 TATIRE). O-Scuderia Sagam Srls; B-T Boylan (IRE); T-Stefano Botti; J-Claudio Colombi; €34,000. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, €72,675. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: C.

2- Amorevole (Ire), 120, f, 2, Mehmas (Ire)—Creme De Cremes

O-Scuderia Incolinx & Diego Romeo; B-C Marnane (IRE); T-Stefano Botti; J-Claudio Colombi; €14,960.

3- Littlejames (Ire), 123, c, 2, James Garfield (Ire)—Karimah (Ire), by Redback (GB). O-Danny Aston Stable; B-Allevamento Le Gi/Tiziano Galgari (IRE); €4,080. Margins: 6, NK, HD. Odds: 1.63, 2.15, 25.47.

Also Ran: Royal Grey (GB), PortoMatto (Ire), Apollo Theatre (Ity), Emir (Fr), Jerry Jewells (Ire), Mr Bayanetta (Ire), Zafton (Ity). Click for the HippoWeb chart or Video.

Folgaria looked to keep her perfect record intact Tuesday and did just that with an emphatic victory in the G3 Premio Primi Passi in Milan. Taken to the front with relative ease early, the filly steadily increased her advantage throughout, rolling home an eye-catching six-length winner over Amorevole, who held on to edge a bevy of contenders led by Littlejames.
Premio Primi Passi cont.

A debut winner over the soft San Siro turf May 10, the bay returned two weeks later to score in a soggy renewal of the Listed Premio Alessandro Perrone at Capannelle and remained a perfect three-for-three when returning to Milan for the June 11 Listed Premio Mario E Vittorio Crespi.

Pedigree Notes:

With her Premio Primi Passi victory, Folgaria becomes the third group winner for her sire, a son of War Front. Folgaria becomes the most accomplished produce for Full Moon Fever, who sold for €2,000 with the group-winning filly in utero at Goffs December in 2020. The 12-year-old mare also has an unnamed year-younger colt by Highland Reel (Ire).

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Sioux Life gives her sire Sioux Nation (pictured) his ninth black-type winner | Coolmore

Tuesday, San Siro, Italy
PREMIO GUISEPPE DE MONTEL-LISTED, €42,900, San Siro, 7-4, 2yo, f, 1400mT, 1:23.00, gd.

1–MATURLO (IRE), 121, c, 2, Starspangledbanner (Aus)
1st Dam: Purlain (GB), by Camelot (GB)
2nd Dam: Colourful (GB), Champs Elysees (GB)
3rd Dam: Rainbow Lake (GB), by Rainbow Quest
1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-La Tesa Spa; B-De Pine Societa Agricola (Ity); T-Antonio Marcialis; J-Andrea Mezzatesta; €16,575. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, €18,207.

2–King Collector (Ire), 121, c, 2, Soldier's Call (GB)--Award (Ire), by Tamayuz (GB). (8,000gns yrl '22 TATOCT). O-Blue Castle Stable; B-Pier House Stud (IRE); €7,293.

3–Orso (Fr), 121, c, 2, Ribchester (Ire)--Sugar Hiccup (Ire), by Refuse To Bend (IRE). O-Sc Dell'Orso; B-Genesis Green Stud (Fr); €3,978.

Margins: 6, NK, HD. Odds: 36.15, 25.08, 2.59.
Also Ran: Dufar (Ire), Free Galaxy (Ire), Ira Sovrana (Ire), Confort Zone (Ity), Sopran Adda (Fr), Tiki Ginger (Ire).

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