



TEARS AND APPRECIATION FOR TEAM CODY CARRY THE EVENING AT ECLIPSE AWARDS



Kelly Dorman, with his wife and daughter looking on, accepted the Horse of the Year trophy on behalf of Godolphin and **Cody's Wish**

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by T.D. Thornton

Cody's Wish (Curlin) was crowned both 2023 Horse of the Year and Older Dirt Male champion at Thursday night's 53rd annual Eclipse Awards ceremony, and when Kelly Dorman, the father of the late Cody Dorman, accepted the evening's highest honor on behalf of owner/breeder Godolphin, the crowd at The Breakers Palm Beach in Florida met his brief pause to shed a few bittersweet tears with a standing ovation that gave him time to collect his thoughts and let the gravity of the moment sink in.

On the track, **Cody's Wish** thrilled his fans with a successful defense of his title in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. But his story resonated far beyond the finish line thanks to the bond that began in 2018 when then-12-year-old Cody Dorman, who was born with Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome, first met the then-unnamed yearling while touring Godolphin as part of a Make-A-Wish outing.

As **Cody's Wish** rose through the graded stakes ranks, the story of the inspirational teenager he was named after captivated a nation of racing enthusiasts.

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'SUCCESSION': A NEW TDN SERIES - WALKER HANCOCK OF CLAIBORNE

by Chris McGrath

In our walk of life, nothing succeeds like succession.

As with any other form of agriculture, a horse farm is not just a business but a legacy sometimes shaped by several generations of rain-or-shine toil and kitchen-table lore. The balance sheet may happen to be in the black, or in the red—but that's just a moment in time. How does one put a price on the decades of patient nurture that have gone into land and bloodlines?

Yet there's never any guarantee about the next generation, whether in terms of its enthusiasm or eligibility. And, even if both those are present, there are bound to be sensitivities over the timing and structuring of transition. In this new, occasional series, *TDN* will visit with people who have experienced such challenges: whether those who hand over a life's work, or those charged with taking it forward; sometimes, we'll hear from both.

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But the years-long emotional ride ended too soon, when Cody Dorman died Nov. 5 at age 17 on his way back home to Kentucky after witnessing **Cody's Wish** end his career triumphantly at Santa Anita in the Breeders' Cup just one day earlier.



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"I never would have dreamed five years ago, when all this happened, that I would be standing right here doing this," Kelly Dorman said. "I wouldn't have dreamed about the wonderful people we've met. But I hope you guys got a TV in front of the stall down at Jonabell right now, because I want to thank **Cody's Wish** for everything he's done.

"I know everyone here, you guys just blow me away, because I know you put your heart in these horses, day in, day out," Dorman said. "That's your life. And I know a lot of times those horses put their heart into you--the jockeys, the trainers, the owners, everybody. And man, that horse, he put his heart into us..."



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"One of the best things to come out of this, other than the grit and determination, was we got to watch **Cody's Wish** run," Dorman said. "I think he got that honest when they gave him his name. 'Can't' and 'quit' were two words that we never used, never will. You might think that horse can't talk, but he can. But he won't use those two words either. He always spoke to Cody..."

"I want to let you guys know how much it means, the fans that have come up to us and let us know how much the story behind the wonderful horse means, and just so many wonderful people that we've gotten to meet through this, the wonderful connections we've made. It puts a smile on our face, day in and day out."

Earlier in the evening, when the story of **Cody's Wish** won the Moment of the Year award for the second straight season, Dorman recounted an old adage that he said was appropriate in how his son and family have been accepted and welcomed by the racing industry.

"Over time, people will eventually forget what you've done," Dorman said. "They will eventually forget about the things that you've said. But they'll never forget how you made 'em feel. I know Cody made you guys feel that same way. But this Moment of the Year, it's for you guys too. You guys put so much in our hearts, everybody here in this room, watching on TV, we love all you guys. We appreciate that--thank you." **Cont.**



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Earlier in the ceremony, victories by **Arcangelo** (Arrogate) in the GI Belmont S. and GI Travers S. cemented champion 3-Year-Old Male honors for owner Blue Rose Farm (Jon Ebbert) and trainer Jena Antonucci, the first woman to condition the winner of a Triple Crown race.



The **Arcangelo** team | NTRA

"The greatest part of this sport is you just need one special horse and a bunch of people who believe in him," Ebbert summed up.

Although the evening was replete with heartfelt thank-yous from award winners extending gratitude that spanned everyone who planned the Thoroughbred matings all the way down to foal caretakers and daily grooms who do the daily-grind type of work behind the scenes, several recipients couldn't resist a bit of forewarning about the future while commanding the podium.

Owner and breeder Mike Repole took home the hardware for champion 2-Year-Old Male for the second consecutive season, winning with **Fierceness** (**City of Light**) after being victorious last year with Forte (**Violence**). **Cont.**



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After doling out thanks to his racing and bloodstock teams, Repole overstayed his allotted 60 seconds at the podium by 2 1/2 additional minutes while advocating for disruptive yet positive changes to the industry.

Repole's passion was evident. But by choosing to punctuate his remarks with f-bomb profanities while surrounded by family members and children on the stage as "exit music" got cued up in the background to encourage him to wrap it up, Repole introduced a level of coarseness that didn't mesh with the spirit and tone of the festivities.

"Right now, this sport, we're all on the Titanic, okay?" Repole said. "There's an iceberg there. But we're not hitting the iceberg yet. We need a vision. We need leadership. We need alignment. We need strategy. We need collaboration. [From] the big entities [all the way down to individuals in the sport], we've got to make this better for everybody.

"So I implore you, please, for the next two years--other than me taking more time--be selfless over selfish," Repole said. "That's number one. [But] this is the most important message of the night: Let's [expletive] compete in the racetrack. Outside the racetrack, let's compete together for what's best for this game. I love this [expletive] game. It's going to be here a long time."

Stuart Janney III, the chairman of The Jockey Club, was honored with the Eclipse Award of Merit for his lifetime of service to the sport. **Cont.**



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He was thankful for his broad supporting cast, but he too had words about the tenuous future of the sport.

Like Repole, Janney spoke of cooperation. But his focus emphasized one of The Jockey Club's main initiatives over the past decade, creating and empowering the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA).

"Our industry's got a lot of issues that [we need] to get in front of and solve," Janney said. "We've now been given the tool kit. We didn't have it before. With HISA, we can go forward, but we need to go forward together.... I hope that we have learned, as an industry, the advantages of being together, and that we really do go forward in a unified fashion.... And where racing's continuation is in question, in some states, we'll work with others to hopefully find viable solutions."

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Succession: Walker Hancock, cont. from p1

Walker Hancock | Fasig-Tipton Photo

No better place to start than with Walker Hancock, whose accession as president at storied Claiborne Farm at just 25 was, in this context, just about as conspicuous a transfer of responsibility as you'll ever see. Incredible as it must seem, both to Walker himself and to those originally startled by his precocious promotion, this year he will already complete his first decade at the helm.

His father Seth has been duly rewarded for that bold vote of confidence, then, the farm now being in hands still full of youthful vigor and ambition, while far more seasoned than could generally be expected in one of Walker's age.

To a degree, of course, the gamble was emboldened by the fact that Seth had been even younger when himself appointed president. **Cont.**

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At the same time, whatever the similarities, the single factor that most sets their respective situations apart could not be more crucial. For Seth was only elevated so giddily because of the abrupt and premature death of his own father, “Bull” Hancock, such a towering figure in the Bluegrass that people far beyond Claiborne felt that they, too, had in some measure suddenly lost a patriarchal influence. (There was also the incidental drama of Seth’s older brother, Arthur, quitting to achieve his own, epic vindication down the road at Stone Farm--and we’ll be calling on Arthur and his daughter Lynn later in this series.)



Arthur “Bull” Hancock and Arthur “Boyd” Hancock
at Claiborne Farm | Keeneland Library Meadors Collection

So while Seth had to find his feet in the throes of bereavement, not to mention fireworks between his brother and the powerful advisers presiding over the transition, Walker remains blessed to be able to turn to his father for counsel.

“Dad had a trial by fire, literally had to figure it out on his own,” he says. “So after he gave me the reins, it was comforting to know that he’s still in the background, and that I can always run things by him. I can say, ‘Well, I’m not quite sure what to do here,’ or ‘I can’t figure out a mating for this mare, what do you think?’ So that’s been a luxury for me. He never had that. It definitely takes a little pressure off, makes things a little more comforting, at least when you start out.”

That said, just about the first thing Seth was able to do was syndicate a horse called Secretariat.

“So he got things figured out pretty quickly,” Walker says with a smile. “Because he had to! I certainly didn’t make that kind of a splash. But maybe one day...” **Cont.**

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"We've always got along for the most part, but like anybody, we're going to disagree on some things," Walker says. "Thankfully, they've been few and far between. When you work with your father, you're younger and sometimes you'll see things differently, which is fine. But I give him credit: especially in the last few years, he's really kind of said, 'You're in charge. If that's what you want to do, go ahead.'"

Walker suspects that his father had taken note of equivalent handovers faltering precisely because of inflexibility in the older generation. And that's certainly a delicate challenge, whenever a filial relationship extends into business. As from any parent, growing up you receive instruction and discipline--but suddenly they have to back off and leave you, if necessary, to learn by mistakes.



The Hancock Family | Keeneland Photo

"I think it was hard for me to understand that, at first," Walker says. "It was like, 'All right, whatever he says, I'm going to do.' Because that's what I've done my whole life. But then there comes a time where you have to say to yourself, 'Well, you're in charge now. You're going to have to stand up to him at some point, if you feel something isn't going right.' But it feels very successful, because we have still managed to maintain that father-son relationship."

There were bumps on the road, for sure: the little test cases. It sounds as though the opening of a visitor center at Claiborne may have been a case in point.

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"I just felt like that was really what we needed to do at the time, and my sister [Allison] and I had a plan to make it happen. But whenever Dad and I have gotten a little sideways with one another, at the end of the day I think he can appreciate that I'm just trying to do the best I can, and move the farm forward, and that sometimes it might be a little more progressive or at least different from the way he'd do it."

And, in fairness, Walker stresses that his father always showed due sensitivity to the unique pressures of succession—right back to when he was a kid. It was made perfectly clear that Walker and Allison could chart their own course in life, according to whatever preferences evolved as they grew up. Allison, indeed, never made quite the same connection with horses, albeit remains part of the family operation, heading up the visitor center and merchandising.

"Again, I give credit to my dad: he let me find my way," Walker says. "At an early age he told me, 'If this is something you don't want to do, don't feel any pressure. You don't have to do this. We can sell the farm, whatever. Because if you don't have a passion, there's no sense doing it. If you don't really, truly love it, you're not going to be successful.' And actually because he didn't pressure me, I think that's one of the reasons I gravitated towards it. If he'd been waking me up at five every morning, saying, 'Get to that barn, you got to clean stalls!' I probably would have resented that, or maybe got burned out."

As it was, Walker was able gradually to absorb the enchantment of the Thoroughbred from the environment in which he was growing up.

"At the farm, I started at the bottom," he recalls. "Weeding double fence rows, whatever. At the time we still did a lot of hay and straw, put it in the barns for a couple of summers. I really did work my way up and can now really appreciate the hard work that so many people have to put in. And at least they all know that I did it at one point, as well, so it's like, 'Well, if he did it, I can do it.'"

By high school, Walker had recognized that he was not going to make a baseball professional—the single menace he ever admitted to his Claiborne destiny. But even once his heart was set on the family business, his parents made sure he went away

to college so that he could encounter people from other walks of life, and sample the kind of Main Street existence he'd be turning down. So he went to the University of Florida, majoring in Animal Sciences.

"The idea was that I needed to go away, do something else for four years and figure life out for myself," Walker explains. "And honestly it was the best thing I ever did. I was able to grow up, make new friends and connections, learn how to deal with

uncomfortable positions. You can get stuck in this bubble here in Central Kentucky: you're so used to horses being a part of your life, going to Keeneland in the fall and the spring. And now here were all these people that, if they'd heard of the Kentucky Derby, wanted to know why a horse couldn't run in it twice! So it was really good to be exposed to a different culture."

So while ever grateful for being raised at Claiborne, Walker could become his own person and develop his own perspectives. In the same way, since taking over,

he has had to put his own stamp on things while on keeping aboard clients whose own families have a generational relationship with the farm. There literally came a day, for instance, when "Mr. Phipps" told him: "Walker, you need to call me Dinny now!"

"It's just another part of the transition," Walker says with a shrug. "You're no longer the little kid they saw at the races. You develop more of a client relationship. That was definitely challenging. Thankfully, we have a lot of outstanding clients that have been with us for a long time. But at some point we need to start bringing in some younger people, too—and that's another challenge, finding the right kind of people to keep the farm special while also moving forward."

Walker feels blessed, in embracing these challenges, by a priceless rapport with Bernie Sams, whose official title as Stallion Seasons and Bloodstock Manager is barely adequate for the deep knowledge and down-to-earth style that guaranteed continuity to all parties: Seth, Walker, the clientele.

"He's been unbelievable, awesome," Walker says. "We've traveled the world together. He's taught me so much and pretty much been a mentor to me. It certainly gave me a little more confidence to have someone like Bernie around, that's been with Claiborne for 20-plus years and understands so well what we do." **Cont.**



Bernie Sams and Walker Hancock | *Fasig-Tipton Photo*

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Succession: Walker Hancock, cont.

He feels similarly indebted to farm manager Bradley Purcell, and also to his aunt, Dell Hancock.

"Aunt Dell has also been a tremendous supporter of mine throughout the transition process," Walker stresses. "She's always there to cheer me up after a bad result in the sales ring or racetrack. Her positivity has helped me persevere through some low times, and I can always count on her to lift me back up and find the bright side of every scenario."

"As for Bradley, he's so professional and level-headed that I couldn't do the job without him. I never have to worry about the day-to-day operations, thanks to his knowledge of horses and understanding of the Claiborne brand. I can be away from the farm and know that everything will continue to run smoothly, which is very comforting."

But if some faces and practices stay the same, in other ways even a farm as symbolic as Claiborne must adapt to a changing market.

It was striking, for instance, that as many as 171 mares were granted a date with rookie **Silver State** in 2022. Following the defeat of the proposed 140-mare cap, farms like this one must decide where to strike a balance: should they protect their clients from the inundation of catalogues, the clear risk at more industrial operations? Or should they seek the accountancy advantages of a bigger book, whether in writing a check for a stallion or hiring him out at a milder fee?

"Ideally, we'd only breed our stallions to 120 to 140 mares," Walker says. "But if a bigger book is how we stay competitive in the marketplace, then that's what we'll have to do. It's right by the horse, because you have to give them a chance to succeed. It's right by the clients that support him, and the syndicate members that own shares. I mean, it's probably not what we want. But the market's changing, and while I wish we could be stubborn and stick to our old ways, we'd get left behind."

"And I feel like we've found a good balance. We're never going to do over 200, or anything like that, but we probably have to beef our numbers up from what we were doing at 120, 130. It's hard to syndicate a horse if the shareholders know that money will be left on the table because you're not breeding as many mares as they'd get investing in another stallion. So, yeah, it's a changing environment and a difficult one. But I'm sure people had a fit when stallions went from 40 mares to 60, and again

when they went to 100. The reality is that we have to keep up, or get left behind."

Walker has not enjoyed missing out on potential new stars for the roster because rival offers were predicated on huge books of mares.

"You get beat so many times," he says. "And it's like, 'Well, do we just keep doing this in the expectation of a different result?' But that's just not going to happen. So you're better off figuring

out ways to change things up a little bit and stay competitive. In today's world it's hard to maintain your traditions and your values, with the market forcing your hand. But I do feel like there's a balance and hopefully we have found it."

As things stand, the roster is headed by a venerable stallion in the sunset of his career, **War Front**. But Walker and his team are certainly sticking to their principles with their younger guns: they have gone back to the Danzig mine for **Silver State**, for instance,

besides two of **War Front**'s own sons, **War of Will** and now **Annapolis**. The unusual versatility of **War of Will** on the racetrack, meanwhile, is underpinned by the kind of deep pedigree that has always been a Claiborne hallmark. In other words, even as **Demarchelier** (GB) opens lines the other way, this is still a farm that can transcend the Atlantic divide.

"We have a lot of unproven young stallions right now," Walker says. "We're out there to find the next **War Front**, a horse that can keep carrying the water for us. Again, it's about trying to find a balance. Because it also makes things difficult that people want to sell these horses right after they win their first Grade I. To me, in the long run, that's a losing proposition."

So some old principles will stand. Claiborne will continue to seek wholesome genetic models for replication. But the farm will continue to adapt, too. After all, that's just what Bull Hancock did in his day.

"And I'm sure dad did things differently than my grandfather, likewise," Walker remarks. "When my grandfather died, it was in his will that we had to sell everything. Well, after 10 or 12 years my dad felt, 'You know what? This isn't the way we need to do things.' And Swale came out of the first crop where he kept horses."

"It would be awesome if we could just run Claiborne the same way as we did in 1948." **Cont.**



War Front | Sarah Andrew

Succession: Walker Hancock, cont.

"But the fact is that the industry has changed, even in the last five years; sometimes it feels like it changes almost from year to year. And you have to be willing to respond. For the old timers, I think they'd say the industry has gone too far by them. Dad is probably glad that I'm in charge now.

"I'm a fifth-generation horseman, fourth generation to run the farm. You don't want to let any of your forefathers, grandfathers, fathers down by dropping the ball. So you definitely feel that pressure. Keeping places like this going, through families, is not easy. Hopefully my kids are interested, and their kids too. But with the times changing so rapidly, who knows what the future looks like? All we can do is live in the present, and try to do our best."

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RECORD PURSE MONEY FOR HORSESHOE INDIANAPOLIS STAKES

A record \$5.03 million has been allocated to the 2024 stakes schedule at Horseshoe Indianapolis, a program highlighted by the \$300,000 GIII Indiana Derby and the \$200,000 GIII Indiana Oaks, each to be contested Saturday, July 6, 2024.

Some 42 stakes will be offered over the course of the season,

which gets off to a unique beginning on Monday, Apr. 8 to coincide with Total Solar Eclipse Day. The afternoon's features include the appropriately named Dark Side of the Moon and Total Eclipse of the Heart Handicaps for Indiana-bred and -sired horses.

"We are in the direct line of the total solar eclipse path and thought it was a unique opportunity to offer racing around this phenomena," explained Eric Halstrom, Vice President and General Manager of Racing. "We have worked closely with our horsemen's organization to provide a full day of racing on such a monumental day, which will not occur in North America again until 2044. We will showcase our older Indiana horses in two handicaps during the racing program and hope to expose our racing product to a whole new group of people expected in our area."

The track will also play host to the Caesars S. and Horseshoe Indianapolis S. for 3-year-old males and fillies, respectively, and are the richest events on the turf in Indiana.

"Our Caesars Day has become a great afternoon for us in mid-May," explained Halstrom. "We have found the perfect spot for these black-type turf events. We have seen some really talented horses in both of these races over the past few years."

Derby and Oaks day is the highlight of the annual calendar and continues to grow in popularity. **Cont.**



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“The Indiana Derby continues to grow, and we saw the track’s first \$8-million handle day last season,” added Halstrom. “This program has become a staple on the summer event calendar for local racing fans as well as our national racing audience. With the addition of Indiana premier races on the day, it gives us a full platform to showcase our state’s racing program and feature local participants on a day that captures national attention. And last season, we coupled it with two National Horseplayers Championship qualifiers that were well received and brought in a whole new audience for Indiana Derby Day.”

The 22nd season of Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing continues through Thursday, Nov. 14.

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FRIDAY RACING CANCELED AT LAUREL PARK

The Maryland Jockey Club has called off Friday’s 10-race card at Laurel Park due to continuing adverse weather conditions from last weekend’s winter storm along with ongoing rain throughout the region. Per the MJC release, Laurel, Pimlico Race Course, Rosecroft Raceway and the MJC OTB network will remain open for simulcasting.

Live racing is scheduled to return Saturday with a special 11:40 a.m. post time. The 11-race program is co-headlined by the \$100,000 Spectacular Bid S. for 3-year-olds and \$100,000 Xtra Heat S. for 3-year-old fillies.

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SUBMISSIONS FOR 2024 KENTUCKY OAKS

SURVIVORS PARADE OPEN *Edited Press Release*

Submissions to participate in the 2024 Kentucky Oaks Survivors Parade on Friday, May 3 are now open. The launch of the Survivors Parade submissions coincides with the milestone mark of 100 days until the 150th running of the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve on Saturday, May 4.

This year’s Parade will honor 150 Breast and Ovarian cancer survivors and fighters with tickets for the selected recipient and a guest to attend the 150th Kentucky Oaks on Friday, May 3, and include an unforgettable march on the historic track at Churchill Downs.

Those who have overcome or are battling a breast or ovarian cancer diagnosis who have never participated in the Oaks Survivors Parade are encouraged to submit their story at www.KentuckyDerby.com/Survivors-Parade until Tuesday, Feb. 20. Those who wish to nominate a potential participant for consideration are encouraged to share the submission link directly with the candidate so that they may submit the relevant qualifying information.

For the 16th Survivors Parade, Churchill Downs will support and recognize the meaningful work of two beneficiary organizations that provide critical services and care to underserved women across the region who may lack access to breast care screenings: Derby Divas in partnership with the Norton Cancer Institute Breast Health Program; and Horses and Hope in affiliation with the Kentucky Cancer Program that provides breast cancer screening, education and treatment referral among Kentucky’s signature horse industry workers and others who lack access to health services. The Kentucky Oaks charitable initiative has raised more than \$1 million to drive breast and ovarian health awareness and life-saving interventions over the past 15 years. **Cont.**



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Kentucky Oaks Survivors Parade, cont.

The 2024 Survivors Parade participants will be chosen randomly rather than by public vote to optimize equal opportunity and consideration. Winners will be announced Monday, Feb. 26.

In addition to a call for submissions, fans are encouraged to join the effort to raise money to support breast and ovarian health by donating to the Kentucky Oaks charitable partners at www.kentuckyderby.com/survivors.

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BELMONT AT SARATOGA TICKETS ON SALE FEB. 15

General admission tickets, hospitality offerings and reserved seats for the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival at Saratoga Race Course will go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. EST Thursday, Feb. 15, the New York Racing Association (NYRA) announced via press release Thursday.

Tickets may be purchased [here](#), with advance pre-sale opportunities available by signing up [here](#).

"The 2024 Belmont Stakes Racing Festival will be a four-day celebration of world class Thoroughbred racing at the sport's most historic and exciting venue," said NYRA President & CEO David O'Rourke. "NYRA is thrilled to be able to host a Triple Crown event at Saratoga Race Course, and we look forward to presenting a memorable edition of the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival from June 6-9."

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KENTUCKY DERBY MUSEUM RELEASES TICKETS FOR 2024 DERBY SEASON TOURS

Tickets are now on sale for the Kentucky Derby Museum's exclusive 2024 Derby Season tours and special events, marking the countdown to the 150th Kentucky Derby--only 100 days away as of Thursday, Jan. 25. The Museum will be hosting special backside tours and Derby events along with opening new exhibits leading up to the first Saturday in May.

"Kentucky Derby Museum is proud to unveil this extraordinary lineup of tours, events, and exhibits as we embark on the exciting journey towards Derby 150," said Kentucky Derby Museum President and CEO Patrick Armstrong. "We invite everyone to be a part of this historic celebration, and with only 100 days left until the big day, now is the perfect time to secure your tickets for an unforgettable Derby Season experience."

Tickets for all events are available [here](#).

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2024 Leading Sires Year-to-Date by Earnings

Standing NA - Worldwide Earnings - NH Foals

Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	GISW	GISH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Into Mischief (2005) by Harlan's Holiday	3	4	--	--	--	--	112	22	60,760	1,106,106
										Fee: \$250,000	Into Champagne
2	Quality Road (2006) by Elusive Quality	2	4	1	1	--	--	76	11	120,000	673,751
										Fee: \$200,000	Track Phantom
3	Practical Joke (2014) by Into Mischief	1	1	--	--	--	--	84	15	85,200	655,181
										Fee: \$45,000	Money Supply
4	Munnings (2006) by Speightstown	--	--	--	--	--	--	90	16	85,200	654,117
										Fee: \$75,000	Let's Be Clear
5	Speightster (2012) by Speightstown	--	--	--	--	--	--	61	19	84,000	601,124
										(Dead)	Stellar Lily
6	American Pharoah (2012) by Pioneerof the Nile	1	2	--	--	--	--	70	14	84,000	599,074
										Fee: \$50,000	Faithful Ruler
7	Constitution (2011) by Tapit	1	1	--	--	--	--	74	8	162,000	548,853
										Fee: \$110,000	Catching Freedom
8	Kantharos (2008) by Lion Heart	--	1	--	--	--	--	91	17	43,800	497,144
										Fee: \$15,000	Kanthari
9	Frosted (2012) by Tapit	1	2	--	--	--	--	70	9	74,814	491,361
										Fee: \$10,000	Icicles
10	Hard Spun (2004) by Danzig	1	2	--	--	--	--	77	8	82,500	463,940
										Fee: \$35,000	Drum Roll Please
11	Goldencents (2010) by Into Mischief	--	2	--	1	--	--	110	16	69,000	454,138
										Fee: \$10,000	Goldbrick
12	Curlin (2004) by Smart Strike	1	3	--	1	--	--	50	5	92,070	435,145
										Fee: \$250,000	Otello
13	Tapiture (2011) by Tapit	--	--	--	--	--	--	82	14	43,800	425,481
										Fee: \$7,500	Music City Star
14	Twirling Candy (2007) by Candy Ride (Arg)	--	1	--	--	--	--	76	11	45,258	422,483
										Fee: \$60,000	Santorini
15	Cairo Prince (2011) by Pioneerof the Nile	2	2	1	1	--	--	55	12	60,000	409,279
										Fee: \$15,000	Honey Pants

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Saturday, Gulfstream #13, post time: 5:40 p.m. EST

PEGASUS WORLD CUP INVITATIONAL S. PRESENTED BY BACCARAT-GI, \$3,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Nimitz Class	Munnings	Qatar Racing, Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables, Adkisson, S & Campeche Stables	Weaver	Zayas	123
2	O'Connor (Chi)	Boboman	Iavarone, Michael & Julia C. & Ode, Fernando Vine	Joseph, Jr.	Lopez	123
3	Dynamic One	Union Rags	Repole Stable, Phipps Stable and St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	123
4	Hoist the Gold	Mineshaft	Dream Team One Racing Stable	Stewart	Velazquez	123
5	Trademark	Upstart	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	De La Cruz	123
6	Senor Buscador	Mineshaft	Joe R. Peacock, Jr.	Fincher	Alvarado	123
7	National Treasure	Quality Road	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Masterson, R, Stonestreet Stables, Schoenfarber, J Waves Edge Capital LLC and Donovan, Catherine	Baffert	Prat	123
8	First Mission	Street Sense	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Saez	123
9	Grand Aspen	Dialed In	PRO Thoroughbred Enterprises	Pletcher	Ortiz	123
10	Il Miracolo	Gun Runner	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Castellano	123
11	Crupi	Curlin	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Dettori	123
12	Skippylongstocking	Exaggerator	Daniel Alonso	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	123
13	Castle Chaos (AE)	Palace Malice	Goldfarb, S, Nice Guys Stables & Falcone, Jr., R	Falcone, Jr.	Gaffalione	123

Breeders: 1-Arrowwood Farm, 2-Haras Carioca, 3-Phipps Stable, 4-Dream Team Racing, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-Joe R Peacock Sr. & Joe R Peacock Jr., 7-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 8-Godolphin, 9-PRO Thoroughbred Enterprises, 10-Willow Oaks Stable LLC, 11-Claiborne Farm, 12-Brushy Hill, LLC, 13-Dragon Slayer Stable

Saturday, Gulfstream #12, post time: 4:55 p.m. EST

1/ST BET PEGASUS WORLD CUP TURF INVITATIONAL S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Atone	Into Mischief	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Murphy	123
2	Jerry the Nipper	Liam's Map	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz	123
3	Integration	Quality Road	West Point Thoroughbreds & Woodford Racing	McGaughey III	Gaffalione	123
4	I'm Very Busy	Cloud Computing	Team Hanley, Schermerhorn, R & Braverman, P	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	123
5	Webslinger	Constitution	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Zayas	123
6	Kingmax (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Amo Racing USA	Delgado	Egan	123
7	Adhamo (Ire)	Intello (Ger)	Louis Lazzinnaro, Madaket Stables, Caruso, M & Dubb, Michael	Brown	Prat	123
8	Master Piece (Chi)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Iavarone, Michael & Jules, Zoumas, N & Argano, F	Dutrow	Lezcano	123
9	Warm Heart (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Westerberg, Magnier, S, Smith, D & Tabor, M	O'Brien	Moore	118
10	Shirl's Speight	Speightstown	Charles E. Fipke	Attfield	Saez	123
11	Main Event	Bernardini	Harrell Ventures, LLC	Weaver	Castellano	123
12	Catnip	Kitten's Joy	Moore, Susan and John	Stidham	Dettori	123
13	Grand Sonata (AE)	Medaglia d'Oro	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Gaffalione	123
14	Anglophile (AE)	English Channel	Michael Thomas Paradis	Lynch	Velazquez	123

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-St. Elias Stable, LLC & Peta Ryan, 3-Larkin Armstrong, 4-Glenn E. Brok LLC & Mark Toothaker, 5-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 6-Sunderland Holding Inc., 7-Wertheimer et Frere, 8-Haras Don Alberto, 9-Coolmore, 10-Charles Fipke, 11-Godolphin, Eric Buckley & Elizabeth Buckley, 12-John Moore & Susan Moore, 13-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 14-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright

Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 3:45 p.m. EST**TAA PEGASUS WORLD CUP FILLY AND MARE TURF INVITATIONAL S.-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cairo Consort	Cairo Prince	Repole Stable and Town and Country Racing, LLC	Pletcher	Moore	120
2	Chili Flag (Fr)	Cityscape (GB)	Madaket Stables, Dubb, Michael & Kisber, Michael	Brown	Prat	118
3	Accomplished Girl 🌿	Street Boss	Gentry Farms	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	118
4	Star Fortress (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Gunther, John D. & Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Saez	120
5	Full Count Felicia 🌿	War Front	Gold Square LLC	Russell	Castellano	120
6	Ruby Nell 🌿	Bolt d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Dettori	120
7	Fluffy Socks	Slumber (GB)	Head of Plains Partners LLC	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	120
8	Queen Goddess	Empire Maker	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Barber, Gary	McCarthy	Gaffalione	120
9	Didia (Arg)	Orpen	Merriebelle Stable	Correas, IV	Ortiz	120
10	Sister Lou Ann	Frosted	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Lopez	118
11	Mission of Joy	Kitten's Joy	RyZan Sun Racing, LLC and Madaket Stables LLC	Motion	Velazquez	120
12	Surprisingly 🌿	Mastery	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Murphy	120
13	Be My Sunshine 🌿	Frosted	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Lopez	118

Breeders: 1-Frankfort Park Farm, 2-Finanza Locale Consulting SRL, 3-Jack Swain III, 4-Sahara Group/Eurowest/Sunderland Hldgs, 5-Joseph Allen, LLC, 6-Solana Beach Sales, 7-Head Of Plains Partners, 8-Tolo Thoroughbreds, 9-La Manija, 10-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 11-Sam-Son Farm, 12-Phipps Stable, 13-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey

Saturday, Gulfstream #9, post time: 3:13 p.m. EST**INSIDE INFORMATION S. PRESENTED BY DON JULIO TEQUILA-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bluefield	Field Commission	Edward A. Seltzer	Joseph, Jr.	Prat	118
2	Two Item Saver	Super Saver	Charles E. Fipke	Correas, IV	Alvarado	118
3	Intrepid Daydream	Jess's Dream	Miller Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	120
4	She's Outta Here	Run Away and Hide	Hacienda Real Racing LLC	Perez	Vasquez	118
5	Music City Star 🌿	Tapiture	Mark Cherry	Antonucci	Castellano	118
6	Dreamster	Jess's Dream	Mary Lightner	Lightner	Zayas	118
7	Sassy Nature	Straight Fire	C T R Stables LLC	Sisterson	Murphy	118
8	Gerrymander 🌿	Into Mischief	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz	120
9	Maryquitecontrary	First Dude	Rodney G. Lundock	Plesa, Jr.	Panici	120
10	Olivia Darling	Palace	Amo Racing USA	Delgado	Ortiz, Jr.	120

Breeders: 1-Ed Pendray & Edward A. Seltzer, 2-Charles Fipke, 3-Paul L. Fowler, Jr., 4-Hurstland Farm, Inc., 5-Echo Valley Horse Farm, Inc., 6-Eric J. Wirth, 7-Straight Fire, LLC, 8-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC & Pollock Farms, 9-R. G. Lundock, 10-Shalom Farm & Ramon Martinez

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Saturday, Santa Anita #8, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST

SAN PASQUAL S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Two Rivers Over	Tamarkuz	Todd Cady and Ty Leatherman	O'Neill	Maldonado	120
2	Stilleto Boy	Shackleford	Steve Moger	Moger, Jr.	Smith	122
3	I'mgonnabesomebody 🌿	Will Take Charge	Nin Auyeung, Philip Crosby, Cheryl Hauck, Bill McLean, Todd Miller, Elizabeth Moran, and Marilyn S. Taylor	McLean	Kimura	120
4	Newgate 🌿	Into Mischief	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC, and Catherine Donovan	Baffert	Rosario	122
5	Newgrange 🌿	Violence	David A. Bernsen, LLC, Little Red Feather Racing, and Rockingham Ranch	D'Amato	Espinoza	124
6	Mr Fisk	Arrogate	Sunny Brook Stables, LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	122
7	Mixto	Good Magic	Calumet Farm	O'Neill	Fresu	120
8	War At Sea	War Front	Doubledown Stables, Inc.	Ellis	Berrios	122

Breeders: 1-Allied Racing Stable, LLC, 2-John Kerber & Iveta Kerber, 3-Elm Tree Farm, LLC, 4-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 5-Jack Mandato & Black Rock Thoroughbreds, 6-Sunny Brook Stables, 7-Farfellow Farms Ltd., 8-Lewis Thoroughbred Breeding

Saturday, Sam Houston Race #10, post time: 6:40 p.m. EST

HOUSTON LADIES CLASSIC S.-GIII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Corningstone 🌿	Kantharos	Five Fillies Stable LLC and Balios Racing Stable	McPeck	Jara	118
2	Appropriated Funds	Arrogate	BKD Consulting, LLC	Clary	Diego	116
3	Dear Lady 🌿	Lord Nelson	Fowler, Barry and Magdalena Racing	McPeck	Cohen	116
4	Bellamore 🌿	Empire Maker	Kaleem Shah, Inc.	Asmussen	Elliott	116
5	Perfect Wish 🌿	Midshipman	Norman Stables, LLC	Gelner	Wetthey Jr.	118
6	Free Like a Girl	El Deal	Bruno, Jr., Gerald, Pomier, Chasey Deville and Caroom, Jerry	Pomier	Manrique	118
7	Hidden Connection 🌿	Connect	Hidden Brook Farm & Black Type Thoroughbreds	Calhoun	Gutierrez	118

Breeders: 1-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM, 2-Spartan Team Investments, 3-Spendthrift Farm, LLC, 4-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD., 5-Stonehaven Steadings, 6-Kim Renee Stover & Lisa Osborne, 7-St. Simon Place



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Saturday, Gulfstream #8, post time: 2:41 p.m. EST**WILLIAM L. MCKNIGHT S. PRESENTED BY FLORIDA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS & OWNERS ASSOCIATION-GIII,**

\$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Francesco Clemente (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	122
2	Marwad (GB)	Intello (Ger)	Rachid Racing Inc.	Moubarak	Egan	118
3	Stone Age (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Westerberg, Brant, P, Magnier, S, Smith, D & Tabor, Michael B.	Brown	Moore	118
4	Value Engineering 🦋	Lemon Drop Kid	Hui, Michael M. and Forte, Phil	Maker	Ortiz	122
5	California Frolic 🦋	California Chrome	Julian J. De Mora Jr.	De La Cerda	Gonzalez	120
6	Palazzi 🦋	Pioneerof the Nile	Gary Barber	Casse	Zayas	124
7	Verstappen 🦋	War Front	Andrew Farm, For the People Racing Stable & O'Connor, Debra L	Walsh	Dettori	122
8	Cellist	Big Blue Kitten	Calumet Farm	Arnold, II	Garcia	122
9	Grand Sonata 🦋	Medaglia d'Oro	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Gaffalione	120
10	Rockemperor (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Madaket Stables, Dubb, M, Wonder Stables, Kisber, Michael E. and Caruso, Michael J.	Brown	Prat	122
11	Anglophile	English Channel	Michael Thomas Paradis	Lynch	Velazquez	124
12	Red Run	Gun Runner	Jordan V. Wycoff	Maker	Lopez	118
13	Starting Over (AE)	Liam's Map	Nice Guys Stables	Maker	Murphy	122
14	Catch That Party (AE)	More Than Ready	Michael Dubb	Maker	Castellano	118
15	Shawdyshawdyshawdy (AE)	Summer Front	Goichman, Lawrence and Goichman, Jennifer	Maker	Lezcano	118
16	F Five 🦋 (AE)	Not This Time	Ferro Family Trust, Connor, Larry & Deberdt, Bruno	Lynch	Saez	122

Breeders: 1-White Birch Farm, SC, 2-Shadwell Estate Company Limited, 3-White Birch Farm, SC, 4-D. J. Stable, LLC, 5-Steven Friedfertig & Taylor Made SalesAgency, 6-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC &Pioneerof the Nile Syndicate, 7-Frank Hutchinson, 8-Calumet Farm, 9-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 10-Haras du Mezeray, 11-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright, 12-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 13-George Strawbridge Jr., 14-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 15-Larry Goichman, 16-Woods Edge Farm, LLC

Saturday, Sam Houston Race #11, post time: 7:10 p.m. EST**JOHN B. CONNALLY TURF CUP S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Catch That Party	More Than Ready	Michael Dubb	Maker	Cohen	120
2	Sword Zorro (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Relentless Racing, Inc.	Keithan	Diego	116
3	Seductive U S A	El Kingdom	L and G Racing Stables	Govea	Goncalves	118
4	Summer Lover	Summer Front	L and G Racing Stables	Govea	Bracho	116
5	Palazzi 🦋	Pioneerof the Nile	Gary Barber	Casse	Manrique	123
6	Street Ready 🦋	More Than Ready	Michael M. Hui	Maker	Alvarez	118
7	Singapore Flash	Shanghai Bobby	Triple V Racing, LLC.	Caldwell	Diaz	123
8	Dynadrive 🦋	Temple City	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Gutierrez	116
9	Paluxy 🦋	Brody's Cause	Blue and Gold Racing	Young	Wethey Jr.	123
10	Sunlit Song	My Golden Song	Barnett, Carolyn and Harding, Becky	Willis	Elliott	123
11	Ocelot 🦋	Big Blue Kitten	End Zone Athletics, Inc.	Broberg	Gonzalez	118
12	Red Run	Gun Runner	Michael J. Maker	Maker	Jara	118

Breeders: 1-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 2-Pigeon Park Stud, 3-Jose Luis Espinoza, 4-Nancy Vanier, 5-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC &Pioneerof the Nile Syndicate, 6-Earle I. Mack, LLC, 7-Virginia Jago Elder, 8-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 9-Spendthrift Farm, LLC, 10-Carolyn R. Barnett, 11-Calumet Farm, 12-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC



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Saturday, Gulfstream #6, post time: 1:33 p.m. EST**LA PREVOYANTE S. PRESENTED BY KETEL ONE ESPRESSO MARTINI-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Romagna Mia (GB)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Team Valor International, LLC	Motion	Velazquez	123
2	Viva La Red 🦟	Texas Red	WLT Investments, LLC	Biancone	Cheminaud	118
3	R Calli Kim 🦟	Revolutionary	Averill Racing LLC and Two Eight Racing LLC	Walsh	Ortiz	123
4	Alpha Bella	Justify	Don Alberto Stable	Pletcher	Saez	118
5	Anatolian 🦟	Not This Time	Jordan V. Wycoff	Maker	Gaffalione	118
6	Sister Otoole	Amira's Prince (Ire)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Motion	Murphy	120
7	Sensitivity	Street Sense	Tami Bobo	D'Angelo	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	Tass	Temple City	Flying P Stable	Abreu	Castellano	118
9	Highland Grace	American Pharoah	Joyce B. Young	Tagg	Prat	120

Breeders: 1-Cavendish Bloodstock, 2-Erich Brehm & Charles Hovitz, 3-Upson Downs Farm, 4-Don Alberto Corporation, 5-Springland Farm, 6-Helen Barbazon & Joseph Barbazon, 7-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 8-Spendthrift Farm LLC

Saturday, Gulfstream #11, post time: 4:20 p.m. EST**FRED W. HOOPER S. PRESENTED BY WHISPERING ANGEL-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Hejazi	Bernardini	Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.	Baffert	Prat	120
2	Expressman 🦟	Liam's Map	St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
3	Steal Sunshine	Constitution	Brogden, Carrie L., Iavarone, Michael & Julia C.	Dibona	Lopez	120
4	Cyclone Mischief 🦟	Into Mischief	Albaugh Family Stables LLC and Castleton Lyons	Romans	Dettori	120
5	Dreaming of Kona 🦟	Fast Anna	Aldana Gonzalez Racing, Ballou, Lisa & Steve	Spieth	Spieth	120
6	Gilmore 🦟	Twirling Candy	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Masterson, R, Stonestreet Stables, Schoenfarber, J, Waves Edge Capital & Donovan, Catherine	Walsh	Ortiz	120
7	Castle Chaos	Palace Malice	Goldfarb, S, Nice Guys Stables & Beast Mode Rcng	Falcone, Jr.	Gaffalione	120
8	Accretive 🦟	Practical Joke	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	120
9	Giant Game	Giant's Causeway	West Point Thoroughbreds & Albaugh Family Stbbs	Romans	Garcia	122
10	Great Navigator	Sea Wizard	Holly Crest Farm	Owens, Jr	Panici	120
11	Tumbarumba	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	Lynch	Saez	120
12	Signator	Tapit	West Point Tbrds, Woodford Racing, Gainesway Stb Phipps Stable, Langone, K, Hudson, Jr., E & Lane's End Racing	McGaughey III	Castellano	118

Breeders: 1-Chester Broman & Mary R. Broman, 2-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd & Bridlewood Farm, 3-Machmer Hall, 4-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 5-eLGee farm, 6-Dividing Ridge Farm, 7-Dragon Slayer Stable, 8-Falcon Wood Partners, 9-H. Allen Poindexter, 10-Holly Crest Farm, 11-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC, 12-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd.

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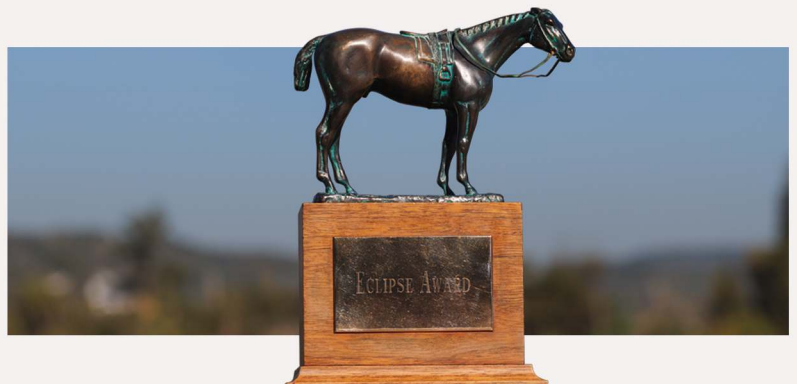
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HIGH FIVE FOR GODOLPHIN AT THE ECLIPSE AWARDS

by Alan Carasso

It was an evening to remember for Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum's Godolphin team, as the worldwide operation accumulated no fewer than five statuettes over the course of the evening at Thursday's 53rd Annual Eclipse Awards Presented by FanDuel TV, John Deere, Keeneland and The Jockey Club, honoring and recognizing excellence in Thoroughbred racing.

And they saved the best for last, as **Cody's Wish** (Curlin), whose story resonated with nearly every fan of Thoroughbred racing and beyond, was named Horse of the Year and champion older dirt male for a season in which he won four times from five starts for trainer Bill Mott, including a towering victory in the GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan H. in June and a nails-tough defense of his title in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, overcoming plenty of adversity in the process.

For all they have accomplished in their rich history on the North American continent, Godolphin was being represented by its first Horse of the Year and Mott was named outstanding trainer for the fourth time in his Hall of Fame career, but first since 2011.

The Brendan Walsh-conditioned '**TDN Rising Star**' **Pretty Mischievous** (Into Mischief) became Godolphin's first winner of America's premier race for sophomore fillies, the GI Longines Kentucky Oaks, and largely on the strength of that effort was named champion of her generation.

She is an eighth champion for her sire, whose daughter Covfefe won the same award in 2019. And while falling short of championships, Godolphin's GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero **Master of the Seas (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and the narrowly defeated '**TDN Rising Star**' **Mawj (Ire)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) received the third-most number of first-place votes in the male and female turf divisions, respectively.

With 27 victories in North American graded stakes, including 12 at Grade I level, Godolphin was the outstanding owner for the fourth year in a row and outstanding breeder for a third straight time.

A year after accounting for three divisional champions, Hill 'n' Dale Farm's sensational Curlin was responsible for another

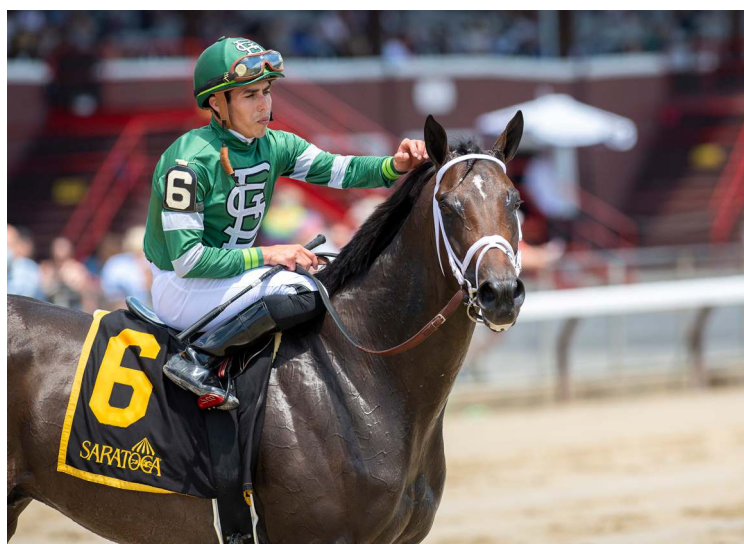
trifecta in 2023. In addition to Cody's Wish, the recently turned 20-year-old was also represented Thursday evening by **Elite Power** (Curlin), who took home a second consecutive award as champion sprinter; and by **Idiomatic** (Curlin), whose meteoric rise through the ranks was capped by an ultra-tough victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff. Curlin's daughter Malathaat was champion older dirt female of 2022. While Elite Power has joined the



Horse of the Year Cody's Wish's winning connections | NTRA

stallion barn at Juddmonte Farms in Lexington, Idiomatic will aim for another championship, as she remains in training in 2024.

The female sprint division also saw a repeat champion, as **Goodnight Olive** (Ghostzapper) parlayed a second straight victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint into an Eclipse Award, easily outpointing '**TDN Rising Star**' **Echo Zulu** (Gun Runner), whose chances were dashed by a career-ending injury while prepping for the Filly & Mare Sprint.



2023 Eclipse winners Irad Ortiz Jr. & Up to the Mark | S. Andrew

There were no surprises in the male turf category, as **Up to the Mark (Not This Time)** became a second champion in two years and third overall for his rising stallion, having won Grade Is at a mile, mile and an eighth and mile and a quarter before finishing second to **'TDN Rising Star' Auguste Rodin (Ire)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf going 12 furlongs. While the voters did not go for the latter off his single American appearance, they did in large numbers for **Inspiral (GB) (Frankel {GB})**, who--in perhaps the evening's most surprising result--took home the hardware for turf female following her scintillating score in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf. She is a first American champion for the Banstead Manor resident and his sixth all totaled.

Arcangelo (Arrogate) was much preferred to Auguste Rodin and became his much-missed sire's first champion in the 3-year-old male division, with victories in the GI Belmont S. and GI Travers S. Scratched on the eve of the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, the gray stands his first season at Lane's End in 2024.



Inspiral winning on Breeders' Cup Day | Horsephotos

Courtesy of his bounceback success in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, **'TDN Rising Star' Fierceness** also gave his sire **City of Light** a first champion in the 2-year-old male division. There was also little suspense in the 2-year-old filly ranks, as the undefeated GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies heroine **Just F Y I (Justify)** became the first North American champion for her sire.

Merry Maker (Ire) (Malinas {Ger}), who won the G1-Stp Lonsome Glory H. at Aqueduct in September, was a relatively narrow winner of the Eclipse for champion steeplechase horse.

In the other human divisions, Irad Ortiz, Jr. won his fifth Eclipse in six years as outstanding jockey and Axel Concepcion was the runaway winner of the Eclipse for the country's top apprentice. Stuart S. Janney III received the Eclipse Award of Merit, broadcaster Tom Hammond the Special Eclipse Award for Career Excellence and Paul Calia for Horseplayer of the Year.



Arcangelo arrives at Lane's End | Lane's End

The *TDN Writers' Room Podcast* was among the media award winners recognized for the 'Wade and Carson Jost' episode from Sept. 20, 2023. On hand to accept the award were co-producer Anthony LaRocca, editor Alia LaRocca and podcast panelists Zoe Cadman and Randy Moss.

The Eclipse Awards are voted by the NTRA, *Daily Racing Form* (DRF) and the National Turf Writers And Broadcasters (NTWAB). The votes are tabulated and certified by LBMC. Voters are asked to identify their top three candidates when submitting their ballots and the three finalists in each division were made public on Jan. 6. Eclipse Award winners are determined by first-place votes only. Of 250 eligible voters, 219 (88%) completed a ballot.

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First-Place Votes - Horse of the Year

Cody's Wish, 134; **White Abarrio**, 37; **Idiomatic**, 21, **Up to the Mark**, 9, **Arcangelo**, 6, **Auguste Rodin**, 6, **Elite Power**, 5; **Practical Move**, 1



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HORSE OF THE YEAR CHAMPION OLDER DIRT MALE CODY'S WISH

(h, 5, **Curlin**--Dance Card, by **Tapit**)

O-Godolphin LLC; B-Godolphin (KY); T-Bill Mott

2023 Record: 5-4-0-1, \$1,773,900

Major 2023 Races

GI Churchill Downs S. • **GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan H.** •
GII Vosburgh S. • **GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile** •
TJCIS PPs • **Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**

Having had the misfortune of going toe-to-toe with Horse of the Generation **Flightline** (**Tapit**) in this division 12 months ago, **Cody's Wish** was one of three Eclipse winners on the evening for champion trainer Bill Mott after garnering enough first-place votes to take home the statue for best older dirt male of 2023.

Kept in training for a 5-year-old campaign following his victory in the 2022 GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, the homebred was unstoppable at seven furlongs to a mile--both the one-turn and two-turn varieties--in 2023. After dusting future GII Cigar Mile H. hero Hoist The Gold (**Mineshaft**) in the seven-furlong GI Churchill Downs S. on seasonal debut in May, **Cody's Wish** made light work of his rivals in the GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan,



Cody's Wish | Benoit

finishing 3 1/4 lengths clear of Zandon (**Upstart**), with White Abarrio (Race Day) a head back in third. Connections opted for a try in the GI Whitney S. Aug. 5, a race which would determine the course of the rest of the season.

A slow start cost the 3-5 chalk any real chance, as he was a distant third to White Abarrio, and it was back to one turn for the Oct. 1 GII Vosburgh S., where he duly obliged by a workmanlike 1 1/2 lengths.

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3YO FILLY
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Trainer: Brendan P. Walsh

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Trainer: William I. Mott



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Sent away the 4-5 pick for his career finale in defense of his Dirt Mile, he raced near the tail of the field through a moderate opening half-mile, but turned it on late to peg GI Preakness S. hero National Treasure (**Quality Road**) and complete yet another fairy-tale season for the horse and for the family of the late Cody Dorman.

“For me it’s been an unbelievable experience, not like others,” jockey Junior Alvarado commented when asked what it feels like to partner with a horse like **Cody’s Wish**. “This is a whole different thing for me, first time ever, riding a horse like that with the story behind. It’s been amazing, and I’m just glad to be a part of it.”

Cody’s Wish, the only five-time Grade I-winning son of **Curlin**, will cover his first mares for a fee of \$75,000 at Darley this winter.—*Alan Carasso*

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Older Dirt Male

Cody’s Wish, 148; **White Abarrio**, 65; **Elite Power**, 5, **Defunded**, 1.

CHAMPION OLDER FEMALE IDIOMATIC

(f, 4, **Curlin**--Lockdown, by First Defence)

O-Juddmonte; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc. (KY);

T-Brad Cox

2023 Record: 9-8-1-0, \$2,400,280

Major 2023 Races

GI Breeders’ Cup Distaff • **GI Juddmonte Spinster S.**

GI Personal Ensign S.

GII Delaware H. • **GIII Shawnee S.** • **Latonia S.**

TJCIS PPs • **Equine catalogue-style pedigree**



Idiomat capped her year in the Breeders’ Cup Distaff | *Benoit*



The Personal Ensign was Idiomat’s first Grade I win; it was her first of a co-topping three GI wins in 2023 | *Sarah Andrew*

It’s a long way from an optional allowance winner’s circle under the Turfway Park lights on a cold January evening to the spotlight of legitimate Horse of the Year consideration 10 months later, but that’s precisely the route Idiomat took. The late-blooming homebred, who hails from an exquisite Juddmonte family four generations deep, had a stellar year culminating with a Breeders’ Cup victory framed by the San Gabriel Mountains at Santa Anita, which made her a slam dunk for Eclipse Champion Older Female honors and put her in the Horse of the Year conversation, even if those accolades went elsewhere.

Perhaps Idiomat didn’t have the most conventional start to her championship campaign as she progressed through her conditions at Turfway, but she’s a big, stout filly at better than 17 hands and patience clearly paid off. After two optional allowances, she tried black-type company for the first time over Turfway’s all-weather surface in the Latonia S. in March. That win propelled her to New York, where she suffered her only loss of the year with a runner-up finish in the GII Ruffian S., her first attempt in graded waters. She wouldn’t lose again.

After reeling off scores in the GIII Shawnee S. at Churchill and the GII Delaware H. at Delaware Park, Idiomat announced her arrival on the big stage with a mild upset over division heavyweights Nest and Clairiere--both, like Idiomat, daughters of **Curlin**--in Saratoga’s GI Personal Ensign S. The GI Juddmonte Spinster S. followed--the second Spinster win (Emollient, 2013) for Juddmonte since the famed nursery and racing stable began sponsorship in 2005--and Idiomat made it a troika of Grade Is with the Breeders’ Cup Distaff in November.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Older Dirt Female

Idiomat, 211; **Goodnight Olive**, 4; **Echo Zulu**, 3, **Adare Manor**, 1.



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Idiomatic joined fellow Eclipse winners **Cody's Wish** (Curlin) and **Up to the Mark** (Not This Time) as the only American horses to win three Grade I races in 2023. However, she stands alone with the most graded scores (five) by any horse in North America for the year; not too shabby for a giant filly who kicked off her 2023 campaign with all of her conditions except a maiden win still ahead of her.

"She's a monster," said trainer Brad Cox after the Spinster. "She has a tremendous stride and covers so much ground. She's really a freak--I mean, she really is a tremendous talent, and we're very fortunate to have her."

Juddmonte is pointing Idiomatic toward a 2024 campaign.

--Jill Williams

CHAMPION 3-YEAR-OLD MALE ARCANGELO



(r, 3, Arrogate--Modeling, by **Tapit**)

\$35,000 yrl '21 KEESEP

O-Blue Rose Farm; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY);

T-Jena M. Antonucci. 2023 Record: MGISW, 5-4-0-0,

\$1,742,300.

Major 2023 Races

GI Travers S. • **GI Belmont S.** • **GIII Peter Pan S.**

TJCIS PPs • **Equine catalogue-style pedigree**

With all three winners of the Triple Crown series as well as the previous year's champion juvenile in the same starting gate, the Eclipse Award for champion 3-year-old male was settled on the racetrack in a GI Travers S. for the ages.

Trained up to the Travers by the trail-blazing Jena Antonucci after making history 11 weeks earlier in the GI Belmont S., **Arcangelo** left little doubt who the best sophomore in the country was, easily defeating six rivals, including GI Kentucky Derby winner **Mage** (**Good Magic**) (seventh), GI Preakness S. winner National Treasure (**Quality Road**) (fifth) and the reigning champion 2-year-old colt Forte (**Violence**) (fourth).

Antonucci, the first female trainer to win a Triple Crown race, became just the second female trainer to saddle a Travers winner, joining Mary Hirsch (1938).

Arcangelo's feel-good story also prominently showcased the renaissance of Hall of Fame rider **Javier Castellano**, who became the first jockey to win two Triple Crown races on two different horses in the same year since Calvin Borel did so in 2009. Castellano also rode Eclipse finalist **Mage** to an upset victory on the first Saturday in May.

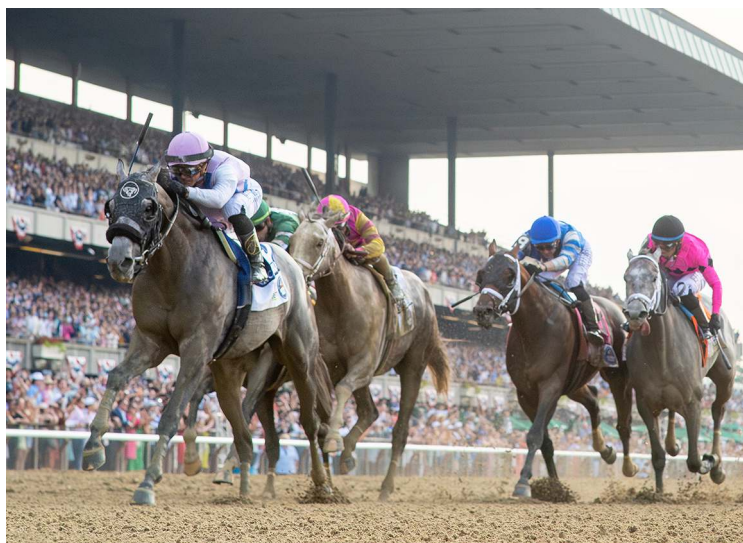
An absolute steal for \$35,000 by Jon Ebbert's Blue Rose Farm during the fifth session of the 2021 Keeneland September Yearling sale, **Arcangelo** graduated impressively at third asking--the first time with Castellano at the controls--going a one-turn mile at Gulfstream Mar. 18.

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Arcangelo wins the Belmont
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Arcangelo posted a hard-fought victory in the May 13 GIII Peter Pan S. to earn his way into the Belmont, and, with Antonucci riding as hard as anyone from the boxes, defeated Forte by 1 1/2 lengths in his first attempt around two turns in the 1 1/2-mile Classic.

Arcangelo's aforementioned win in the Travers, good for a career-best 105 Beyer Speed Figure, would prove to be the final start for the ridgling. He was scratched from the GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Santa Anita with an untimely foot issue and was **subsequently retired** to Lane's End Farm, where he will stand his first season at stud for \$35,000 in 2024.

One of five Grade I winners for the gone-too-soon Arrogate, **Arcangelo** hails from the extended family of fellow Belmont winners Jazil (Seeking the Gold) and Rags to Riches (A.P. Indy).

Early Impressions...

"The day I laid eyes on him at the yearling sale, I said to myself that this is the most beautiful horse I have ever seen. I'm so blessed the way everything unfolded and so appreciative of my team." --**owner Jon Ebbert**

"He broke his maiden the first time I got on him at Gulfstream. The way he did it, he just closed so fast. I said, 'Man, this horse could be anything.'" --**jockey Javier Castellano**
--Steve Sherack



ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes Champion 3-Year-Old Male

Arcangelo, 193; Auguste Rodin (Ire), 21; Arabian Knight, 2, Mage, 1; National Treasure, 1, **Two Phil's**, 1.

CHAMPION 3-YEAR-OLD FILLY PRETTY MISCHIEVOUS

(f, 3, Into Mischief--Pretty City Dancer, by **Tapit**)
O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh
2023 Record: 6-4-2-0, \$1,703,250

Major 2023 Races

GI Kentucky Oaks • GI Acorn S.

GII Rachel Alexandra S.

TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree

After enjoying a clear lead in the stretch and failing to finish the job in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, trainer Brendan Walsh decided to add a pair of blinkers to Pretty Mischievous.

Led by a heart-stopping, neck victory from post 14 in the GI Kentucky Oaks, her first attempt following the equipment change, the **TDN Rising Star** was a slam dunk as the nation's champion 3-year-old filly.

The Godolphin homebred backed up her 10-1 upset on the first Friday in May with another game tally at the top level, this time by a head, in the GI Acorn S. during the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival. Following the tragic breakdown of Maple Leaf Mel (Cross Traffic) in the shadow of the wire, favored Pretty Mischievous crossed the wire first by a head while turning back to seven furlongs in a heart-breaking renewal of the GI Test S. at Saratoga. She lost little in defeat rallying for second as the favorite in the GI Cotillion S. over the sloppy going at Parx, her final start of her sophomore campaign.

Pretty Mischievous shipped to Santa Anita to take on older fillies and mares for the first time in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff, but was scratched after "she got a little bit colicky" following the trip from Kentucky, per Walsh. The bay's 3-year-old campaign also included a win in the GII Rachel Alexandra S. at Fair Grounds in February.



Pretty Mischievous wins the Kentucky Oaks | Horsephotos



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Her all-conquering sire Into Mischief is also responsible for fellow Eclipse champions: Authentic (2020 Horse of the Year & 3YO Male); Gamine (2020 Female Sprinter); Covfefe (2019 3YO Filly & Female Sprinter); and Wonder Wheel (2022 2YO Filly). Pretty Mischievous was produced by 2016 GI Spinaway S. winner Pretty City Dancer, who was acquired by Sheikh Mohammed's operation for \$3.5 million at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton November sale.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Champion 3-Year-Old Female

Pretty Mischievous, 182; Randomized, 24, Mawj (Ire), 9; Ceiling Crusher, 2; Faiza, 2

Early Impressions...

"She was a beautiful filly as a foal and a yearling... We were very high on this filly from the day that she went into Brendan (Walsh)'s barn. Late last year (2022) and through the winter time, we thought that she was our best filly that we had in any of the barns that we had horses in." --**Godolphin's Michael Banahan**

Banahan

--Steve Sherack

CHAMPION 2-YEAR-OLD COLT FIERCENESS

(c, 2, City of Light–Nonna Bella, by Stay Thirsty)

O-Repole Stable; B-Repole Stable Inc. (KY); T-Todd Pletcher

2022 Record: 3-2-0-0, \$1,102,750 **TDN Rising Star**

Major 2023 Races

**GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile S. • MSW at Saratoga
TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree**

When Fierceness is good, he's *really* good. Leaving little question what he could do straight out of the box, the Repole homebred destroyed his rivals by 11 1/4 lengths in a muddy career unveiling at the Spa last August. Clearly much-the-best in that six-furlong test, the even-money favorite earned TDN Rising Star status with the win, not only for his gaudy margin of victory but for the humbling ease in which he accomplished the feat. Pounded down to 1-2 favoritism while stretching to a mile for the Oct. 7 GI Champagne S. during the Belmont at the Big A meet, the bay acted up in the gate a heartbeat before the break, prompting an awkward start. Losing valuable position while getting shuffled back, he mounted a brief run but never quite found his groove, and had to settle for seventh behind Timberlake (Into Mischief).



Fierceness winning last fall's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile
Benoit

Granted a much better start on Breeders' Cup Day, Fierceness lay just off a respectable early pace, and when push came to shove, fellow **TDN Rising Star** Muth (**Good Magic**) took his best shot in the stretch but it wasn't good enough as the son of Nonna Bella powered home a confident 6 1/4 lengths winner over the Bob Baffert trainee. Adding further luster to that form, Muth returned in his very next start to take the Jan. 6 GII San Vicente S.

Fierceness is a member of the first crop of **City of Light**, who already has a quintet of juveniles who have garnered TDN Rising Star honors. On the racetrack, the Lane's End stallion won a Grade I races at three, four and five, including the Pegasus World Cup Invitational and Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.

Fierceness's dam, Nonna Bella, also proved to be a gift for her owner, Mike Repole. A daughter of Repole's GI Belmont S. winner Stay Thirsty, she is out of GISP Nonna Mia (Empire Maker), who is also responsible for GI Wood Memorial victor **Outwork** (**Uncle Mo**). The family also enjoyed an epic score in the sales ring last year when Nonna Mia's 2022 colt by Into Mischief realized a \$3-million final bid at Keeneland September. Nonna Bella has a newly-turned juvenile full-brother to Fierceness in addition to a yearling sister by Caravaggio. She is in foal to Coolmore's **Uncle Mo**, who was also campaigned by Repole.

"Fierceness has trained super [in 2024]. He's such a terrific workhorse. He does everything effortlessly. I think with Fierceness, the quality's there and the talent's there. Like everyone else we just need to keep moving forward and stay healthy." --**Trainer Todd Pletcher.** --**CBossTDN**

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Champion 2 Year-Old Colt

Fierceness, 205; Big Evs (Ire), 4, Muth, 3; Locked, 2; Prince of Monaco, 2, Nutella Fella, 1; The Wine Steward, 1; Timberlake, 1.



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(f, 2, **Justify**--Star Act, by Street Cry {Ire})

O-George Krikorian; B-George Krikorian (KY); T-Bill Mott

2023 Record: 3-3-0-0, \$1,317,750

Major 2023 Races

GI Frizette S. • GI NetJets Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies

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Just F Y I | Benoit

Coolmore's **Justify** continued to see his star rise in 2023 with the addition of his first Breeders' Cup winner when Just F Y I sprung the upset at Santa Anita in November as a 7-1 shot to remain undefeated on the year. The homebred, honored in this category alongside another Breeders' Cup-winning daughter of **Justify** in Hard to **Justify**, added the stamp of Champion 2-year-old Filly to pick up another first for her sire--his first Eclipse champion. A debut winner for the successful partnership of Bill Mott and Junior Alvarado (also the team behind Horse of the Year and Champion Older Male **Cody's Wish**) at Saratoga in August, Just F Y I then stamped herself a contender with a 3 3/4-length romp in the slop to take the GI Frizette S. at Belmont's Aqueduct meeting Oct. 7. The third choice in the wagering behind heavily-favored 'TDN Rising Star' Tamara (Bolt d'Oro) come Breeders' Cup weekend, Just F Y I was able to stalk the pace of that favorite and prevail by a neck to cement her Eclipse honors.

After a deserved break, the champion got back on the work tab Jan. 15 with a three-furlong breeze at Payson Park in :37.20 (2/9). --Stefanie Grimm

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - 2-Year-Old Filly

Just F Y I, 202; Hard to **Justify**, 9; Candied, 3; Tamara, 2; Brightwork, 1; Jody's Pride, 1; She Feels Pretty, 1.

A large celebratory graphic for Just F Y I. It features a background image of the horse and jockey in action, with a large splash of gold confetti. The text is overlaid in white and gold. At the top, it says 'MARGAUX FARM'. Below that, it says 'CONGRATULATIONS OWNER/BREEDER' followed by 'George Krikorian'. Then 'TRAINER' followed by 'Bill Mott'. Then 'JOCKEY' followed by 'Junior Alvarado'. In the bottom left, it says '2YO FILLY ECLIPSE CHAMPION'. In the center, the name 'JUST F Y I' is written in large, bold, gold letters. At the bottom right, it says 'BREAKING & TRAINING GRADUATE'.

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CHAMPION MALE SPRINTER

ELITE POWER

(c, 5, **Curlin**--Broadway's Alibi, by Vindication)

\$900,000 yrl '19 KEESEP

O-Juddmonte; B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY); T-William Mott

2023 Record: 5-4-1-0, \$2,370,000

Major 2023 Races

G3 Riyadh Dirt Sprint • GII True North S. •

GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. •

GI Qatar Racing Breeders' Cup Sprint

TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree



Elite Power | Sarah Andrew

How does a racehorse top winning the Eclipse Award as the leading Male Sprinter? Well, you do it again. That is exactly what Juddmonte's **Elite Power** accomplished over five races in 2023.

To start his campaign, the 5-year-old sprinter shipped to Saudi Arabia to contest the G3 Riyadh Dirt Sprint at King Abdulaziz Racecourse, which turned out to be a professional beginning to his year as he won by 3 1/4 lengths over **Gunita** (**Gun Runner**).

The \$900,000 Keeneland September buy returned home to win the GII True North S. at Belmont Park and then triumphed after an epic fight with **Gunita** in the GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. at Saratoga.

Though his rival got the best of him in the GI Forego S. upstate, the Bill Mott trainee celebrated with a resounding score by 1 1/2 lengths in the GI Qatar Racing Breeders' Cup Sprint at Santa Anita last November.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Champion Male Sprinter

Elite Power, 183; **Cody's Wish**, 35; Speed Boat Beach, 1.

“EIGHT FIFTY HERE.
EIGHT SEVENTY FIVE,
YOU'RE WAY BEHIND,
E.C. EIGHT SEVENTY-
FIVE NOW NINE
HUNDRED. WOULDN'T
YOU LIKE TO BUY HIM
AND OUTRUN THAT
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"It's a difficult job to keep a horse going year after year," said Mott after **Elite Power** won the Sprint. "To come back and win two Breeders' Cups in a row says a lot about the durability of the horse and the luck that I have. We were lucky enough to have him and he's had a great career. He's off to his new career which will be in the stud barn and we wish him all the best."

To kick off his inaugural year at stud, **Elite Power** will stand for an initial fee of \$50,000, live foal at Juddmonte's farm in Kentucky.

Early Impressions...

"He's a new stallion in the stallion barn now. Obviously, Prince Khalid and his sons committed to buying horses at sales, which we hadn't done for a while, and we've been rewarded with horses like Arrogate, **Chaldean (GB)** in England and **Elite Power**. That gives them confidence to keep moving forward. He's been a very consistent, admirable racehorse--especially last year--and there's plenty of satisfaction for a goal achieved."

--Garrett O'Rourke, General Manager, Juddmonte USA

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CHAMPION MALE SPINTER

2022 - **Elite Power**

2021 - Jackie's Warrior

2020 - Whitmore

2019 - Mitole

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2015 - **Runhappy**



Elite Power | Benoit

CHAMPION FEMALE SPINTER GOODNIGHT OLIVE

(m, 5, **Ghostzapper**--Salty Strike, by Smart Strike)

\$170,000 Ylg '19 FTKOCT;

\$6,000,000 Racing/B'mare Prospect '23 FTKNOV

O-First Row Partners and Team Hanley; B-Stonestreet

Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Chad Brown

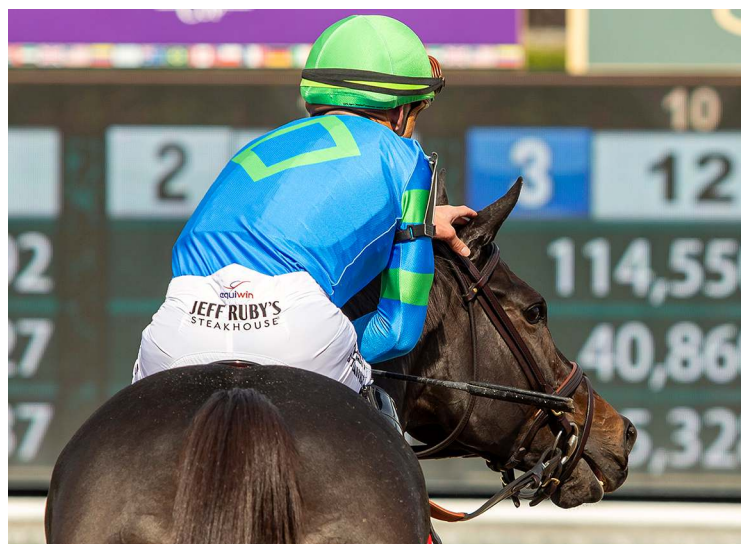
2023 Record: 5-3-1-1, \$1,176,250

Major 2023 Races

GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint • GI Madison S.

GII Bed o' Roses S.

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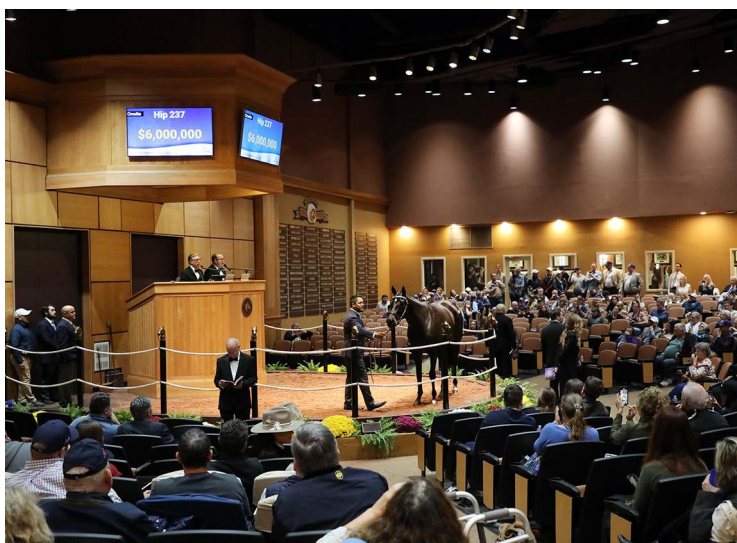


Goodnight Olive, just moments after her second consecutive Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint win | Benoit

What a mare. Goodnight Olive opened 2024 the same way she opened 2023: capturing an Eclipse Award as Champion Female Sprinter. In between, she doubled up in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint, added yet another Grade I to her CV in Keeneland's Madison S., and served as co-topper of Fasig-Tipton's Night of the Stars Sale when selling for \$6 million.

With a career quartet of Grade I scores, Goodnight Olive has never been off the board with nine wins in 12 starts. Although she wasn't quite as dominant in 2023 as in 2022, when she went undefeated in four tries, it's hard to argue with a year that began with a win in the Madison and culminated with a defending victory in the Breeders' Cup. She broke a seven-race win streak when third in Churchill's GI Derby City Distaff on Derby Day after finding herself trapped inside with nowhere to go, only to return a month later with a hard-fought score in the GII Bed o' Roses S. at Belmont.

Goodnight Olive got perhaps the sternest test of her career when trying for a repeat win in the GI Ballerina H. in August, facing both fellow Female Sprinter finalist Echo Zulu (**Gun Runner**) and a muddy Saratoga track. Echo Zulu had finished second to Goodnight Olive in the 2022 Breeders' Cup, but turned the tables at the Spa when she set the pace and stayed there, leaving Goodnight Olive in the runner-up spot despite a career-best 108 Beyer Speed Figure. Rested until the Breeders' Cup, which Echo Zulu missed due to a career-ending injury, Goodnight Olive would prove dominant in the division once again, wrapping up the win and the Eclipse trophy with a powerhouse score. Like last year, she was also a finalist for Eclipse hardware in the Champion Older Female division in addition to taking home the spoils as Female Sprinter. She is the first two-time Female Sprinter winner since Groupie Doll in 2012-13.



The hammer drops at \$6 million | Fasig-Tipton

Just days after the Breeders' Cup at Santa Anita, Goodnight Olive made headlines yet again, this time in Kentucky for Fasig-

Tipton's November sale with a \$6-million price tag. Agent Liz Crow, who signed for her as a yearling and is part of Elite Sales and who consigned her as a racing or broodmare prospect four years later, said, "To see her bring what she was worth, she is really a once-in-a-lifetime horse."

Gavin O'Connor, agent for Lexington financier John Stewart, signed the ticket. Stewart is returning his new acquisition to trainer Chad Brown's barn with a 2024 campaign in the cards and

an attempt at a Breeders' Cup three-peat for the dual champion.
--Jill Williams

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Champion Female Sprinter

Goodnight Olive, 140; Echo Zulu, 72; Maple Leaf Mel, 3; Caravel, 2; Kirstenbosch, 1; Pretty Mischievous, 1.

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Champion Female Sprinter

GOODNIGHT OLIVE



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Breeder: Juddmonte

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2-Year-Old Male **FIERCENESS (KY)**

Owner: Repole Stable

Breeder: Repole Stable

Trainer: Todd Pletcher

2-Year-Old Filly **JUST FYI (KY)**

Owner: George Krikorian

Breeder: George Krikorian

Trainer: Bill Mott

3-Year-Old Male **ARCANGELO (KY)**

Owner: Blue Rose Farm LLC

Breeder: Don Alberto Corporation

Trainer: Jena Antonucci

3-Year-Old Filly **PRETTY MISCHIEVOUS (KY)**

Owner: Godolphin

Breeder: Godolphin

Trainer: Brendan Walsh

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Owner: Juddmonte

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Trainer: Bill Mott

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CHAMPION TURF MALE UP TO THE MARK



(c, 4, **Not This Time**--Belle's Finale, by **Ghostzapper**)

\$450,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP

O-Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC; B-Ramspring Farm
(KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher

2023 Record: 7-5-1-1, \$2,427,650

Major 2023 Races

GI Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic S. • **GI Resorts World
Casino Manhattan S.**

GI Coolmore Turf Mile • **GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf**
TJCIS PPs • **EquineLine catalog-style pedigree**

It's not every year, and not every season, that a horse can boast the claim of spending over 70 % of their campaign in Grade I company, but with seven starts in 2023 and five at the highest level, **Up to the Mark** can say just that. Even more impressive, he was never off the board in any of them, including in his career finale where he faced the Irish-bred titan formally known as multiple Group 1-winner Auguste Rodin (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf and came within three-quarters-of-a-length of playing spoiler.

While he may have lost the fight in the Breeders' Cup, he won the war for year-end honors, defeating that rival and Godolphin's globetrotting group and graded winner Master of The Seas (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) to claim the title of Champion Turf Male.

Starting his year dominating the Gulfstream Park allowance ranks in back-to-back victories, **Up to the Mark** was immediately jumped into the highest level of racing and remained there the rest of the year. In his first appearance in a Grade I--and generally graded company--at Keeneland in the GI Maker's Mark Mile S., his rally came short of the long-gone GISW Chez Pierre (Fr) (Mehmas {Ire}), who would win the contest by 3 1/2 lengths and put up a time a little more than a half-second off the track record. In running third, he came within a neck of catching multiple Group 1 and Grade I-winner Modern Games (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), which could have served as a hint of what would come later in the year.

Resurfacing next on the Kentucky Derby undercard May 6, he put on a tour-de-force in the GI Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic S., overcoming early traffic trouble to put away a respectable field by 3 3/4 lengths to pick up his first of three Grade Is. It would be a similar effort in June when he won the GI Resorts World Casino Manhattan S. at Belmont Park by over two lengths despite his lingering gate restlessness.

**"FOUR TWENTY FIVE.
GOTTA BE FOUR
TWENTY FIVE, FOUR
FIFTY. HOW ABOUT
THIRTY FIVE BACK
THERE, YOU'VE COME
ALONG WITH ME.
THIRTY FIVE ALL IN.
FIFTY! NOW YOU'RE
BOTH OUT BACK
THERE, THANK YOU.
FIFTY. FOUR
HUNDRED FIFTY. ALL
IN, ALL DONE. IN THE
BACK, STAN'S WAY,
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Owner: **Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC**

Trainer: **Todd Pletcher**



Won:

Coolmore Turf Mile (G1)

Manhattan S. (G1)

Old Forester Turf Classic (G1)

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Up to the Mark returned to Keeneland for the autumn meeting, where he would win the first and only head-to-head match-up with fellow finalist Master Of The Seas in the GI Coolmore Turf Mile S., running down that equally gusty rival in the shadow of the wire and requiring a photo to separate them. From there, both runners would find themselves in the Breeders' Cup starting gate at Santa Anita Park, but their paths would diverge from there. While Master Of The Seas went on to win the GI FanDuel Breeders' Cup Mile by the slimmest of margins over Turf Female nominee G1SW-Eng, GISW Mawj (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), **Up to the Mark** would take on some of the best in the world in the 1 1/2-mile Breeders' Cup Turf.



Up to the Mark en route to winning the Coolmore Turf Mile | Coady

He'd face traffic trouble, tight quarters, and a dirt crossover but in the end was running best of the American contingent to just miss holding off the G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby winner--among his other notable Group 1 accomplishments that year--who would take the rail route home to score. While it would be his final start, **Up to the Mark** did nothing in that effort to disgrace himself and capped a year highlighted by his monumental rise to prominence with a fine feather in his cap as a three-time winning, and two-time Grade I-placed champion. Not a bad year at all.

Up to the Mark will stand at Lane's End for \$25,000 LFSN for the 2024 breeding season.

Early Impressions...

"He was extremely nice looking as a youngster," said Clay Patrick, COO of Ramspring Farm, breeders of **Up to the Mark**. "He was easy to work with. He always kept a cool head; never fractious. He always agreeably did what was asked of him."

As a small operation, Patrick says seeing a horse they bred and raised reach the pinnacle of the sport is a feeling like none other. "It means everything in the industry. This is what breeders strive for, especially for a small breeder--this could be once in a lifetime. It would be a fitting tribute to my parents, Mary Leigh Patrick and the late O.M. "Mac" Patrick, who have endured in this industry since 1976, and a compliment for breeding a horse worthy of such a coveted award and in honor of an exceptional horse, which they bred and helped nurture to the top of the sport."

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes**Champion Turf Male**

Up to the Mark, 141; Master Of The Seas (Ire), 12; Auguste Rodin (Ire), 60; Casa Creed, 1; Exalted, 1; Integration, 1; Nobals, 1; Program Trading (GB), 1; Red Knight, 1.

CHAMPION TURF FEMALE INSPIRAL (GB)

(f, 4, **Frankel {GB}**--Starscope {GB}, by Selkirk)
O/B-Cheveley Park Stud, Ltd. (GB); T-John H. M. Gosden
2023 Record: 5-3-1-0, \$2,109,024

Major 2023 Races

G1 Virgin Bet Sun Chariot S. • **G1 Prix du Haras de Fresnay Le Buffard Jacques Le Marois** •

GI Maker's Mark Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf
TJCIS PPs • **Equineline catalog-style pedigree**

Despite making only one start in the United States in the GI Maker's Mark Filly and Mare Turf, producing a stylish victory with Frankie Dettori in the irons, Eclipse voters saw it enough to award Cheveley Park Stud homebred Inspiral (GB) the title of Champion Turf Mare on the back of that win, defeating MGISW In Italian (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})--who ran fifth and garnered 50 first-place votes in the category. Mawj (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), runner-up in the GI FanDuel Breeders' Cup Mile, would garner the third highest amount with 43 as several others came in behind the leading trio with a handful or a single vote to their name.

Inspiral secured her spot at the Breeders' Cup via the "Win and You're In" G1 Prix du Haras de Fresnay Le Buffard Jacques Le Marois, a contest she'd take for the second time in 2023 and giving Dettori his fourth consecutive victory in the Prix Jacques le Marois to boot.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Champion Turf Female: Inspiral (GB), 112; In Italian (GB), 50; Mawj (Ire), 43; Anisette (GB), 4; War Like Goddess, 3; Caravel, 2; Closing Remarks, 1; Didia (Arg), 1; Fev Rover (Ire), 1; Moira, 1; Surge Capacity, 1.



UP TO THE MARK

Not This Time - Belle's Finale, by Ghostzapper

ECLIPSE CHAMPION TURF MALE

G1 Manhattan S. - 105 Beyer | G1 Turf Classic - 103 Beyer | G1 Turf Mile - 100 Beyer | 2nd G1 Breeders' Cup Turf - 105 Beyer



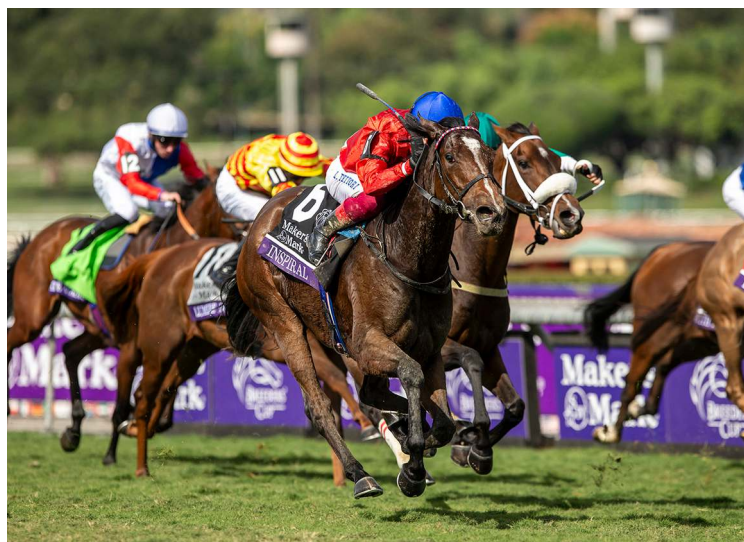
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Inspirational winning the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf | Benoit

Almost two months later, the pair again partnered to set another noteworthy record for the veteran rider--his 500th Newmarket winner--when Inspirational swept by Mqse De Seigne (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) in the closing drive and surging 3 3/4 lengths clear to secure her second Group 1 of her 2023 season in the G1 Virgin Bet Sun Chariot S. Crossing the pond for the first time to take advantage of her guaranteed spot in the Breeders' Cup gate at Santa Anita Park in November, it was another scintillating display of her monestrous closing kick as the daughter of Frankel roared home down the center to deny fellow invader, dual Group 1 winner Warm Heart (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and to also tally her sire's first winner in the World Championships. Cheveley Park's Thompson family took home their second trophy with Inspirational's effort having last won the 2016 edition of the race with Queen's Trust (GB) (Dansili {GB}). Inspirational was named the Cartier Champion 2-Year-Old Filly as a juvenile after assembling an unbeaten four-win season in 2021.

CHAMPION STEEPLECHASER

MERRY MAKER (IRE)

(g, 6, Malinas {Ger}--Sparkling Gem {Ire}, by Revoque {Ire})

O-Hurricane Farm; B-Matthew Hayes (Ire);

T-Archibald J Kingsley, Jr.

2023 Record: G1SW, 5-2-1-1, \$197,450

Major 2023 Races

G1 Lonesome Glory H.

TJCIS PPs • Equine catalog-style pedigree

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2022 First-Place Votes

Champion Steeplechaser

Merry Maker (Ire), 69; Snap Decision, 50; Awakened, 25; Noah and The Arc (Ire), 24; Belfast Banter (Ire), 19; Scaramanga (Ire), 6; Voter Abstentions, 26.

CHAMPION TURF FEMALE INSPIRAL (GB)

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In 2023, John & Thady Gosden won
10 Gr.1 races across four countries.

24 trainers based in Britain won Gr.1
races across eight countries in 2023.



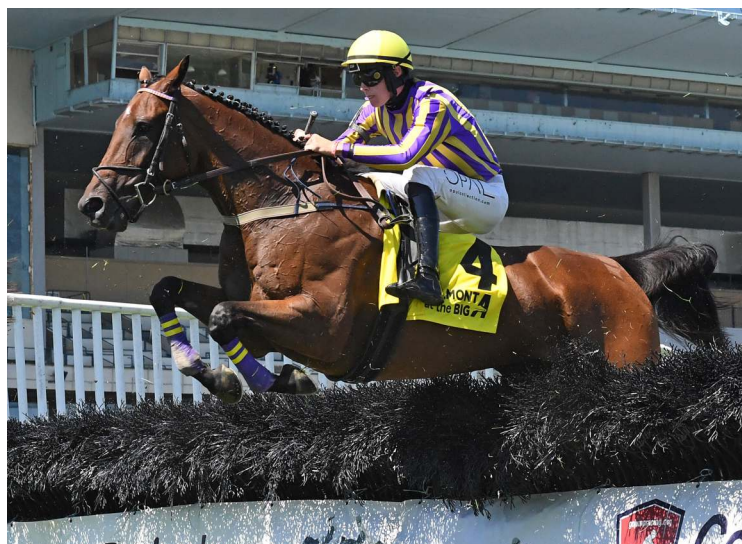
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In a wide-open division, Merry Maker earned his Eclipse championship at Aqueduct in September when he scored a late-running victory in the G1 Lonesome Glory H. He was able to defeat fellow Eclipse finalist Snap Decision (Hard Spun), who set the pace in the Lonesome Glory before fading to fourth under highweight of 158 pounds that day. Sandwiching his Group 1 victory at Aqueduct, Merry Maker was fourth behind fellow finalist Awakened (Curlin) in the Aug. 23 G1 Jonathan Sheppard H. at Saratoga and was second over a boggy course in the Oct. 21 G1 Grand National at Far Hills.



Merry Maker | Coglianese

OUTSTANDING OWNER/BREEDER GODOLPHIN LLC

2023 record (owner): 441-86-90-63, \$17,270,223

2023 record (breeder): 999-175-176-131, \$20,907,146

Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum's Godolphin LLC was named America's outstanding owner for the fourth year in a row and the outstanding breeder for a third consecutive season during Thursday night's Eclipse Awards. Horses racing in the Godolphin blue amassed earnings that were some \$900,000 greater than in 2022, while horses bred by Godolphin earned better than \$2.3 million more than they did the previous season.

Whereas Godolphin raced the winners of 20 graded races in 2022, that number was as high as 27 this past season, including no fewer than a dozen at the elite level. For the second time in a row, the operation was represented by a pair of homebred winners at the Breeders' Cup meeting, as Horse of the Year/champion dirt male **Cody's Wish (Curlin)** made it back-to-

back scores in the GI Dirt Mile, while Master of The Seas (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) nailed the commonly owned Mawj (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) in the GI Mile.

Eclipse Award winner Pretty Mischievous (Into Mischief) herself accounted for three Grade I successes, as she became the first Godolphin winner of the Kentucky Oaks, while Wet Paint (**Blame**) and Mawj knocked off age-restricted Grade Is in the CCA Oaks and QE II Challenge Cup, respectively. Matareya (Pioneer of the Nile) caused a bit of an upset in the GI Derby City Distaff, while Nations Pride (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) took out the GI Canadian International. Master of The Seas also struck north of the border in the Ricoh Woodbine Mile.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Outstanding Owner: Godolphin LLC, 191; Klaravich Stables, 7; Juddmonte, 5; Gary Barber, 2; Repole Stable, 2; Coleswood Farm Inc, 1; Harris Farm, 1; George Krikorian, 1; Repole Stables and St Elias Stables, 1; Bruno Schikedanz, 1; Voter Abstentions, 6.



Sheikh Mohammed | Horsephotos

Horses raced by Godolphin outearned the nearest competitor--Seth Klarman's Klaravich Stables (102 fewer starters, one more winner)--by an imposing \$7.7 million while their runners struck at a win rate of 19.5%. As an honorable mention, Klaravich runners won better than one of every four races in which they were entered.

Runners bred by Godolphin made about a third of the starts as second-placed Calumet Farm and won a bit more than a third of the races than horses bred by Calumet, but still managed to outdistance them by \$4.5 million in earnings.--*Alan Carasso*

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Outstanding Breeder: Godolphin LLC, 202; Calumet Farm, 3; Brereton C. Jones, 3; Richard Barton, 1; George Krikorian, 1; Repole Stables, 1; Spendthrift Farm, 1; Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings, 1; Taylor Made Farm, 1; Voter Abstentions, 5.

OUTSTANDING TRAINER

BILL MOTT

2023 Record: 649-103-99-100, \$17,437,147

Hall of Famer Bill Mott doesn't rely on a voluminous string to strong-arm his competition. Also, he's not often (or maybe not often enough) the top choice of trainers that draw the vast majority of million-dollar yearlings that pass through the sales ring every year. And while still erroneously labeled a turf trainer by many (well yes, he can do that too), Mott showcased his strength with his dirt runners in 2023, led by Horse of the Year and Champion Older Male **Cody's Wish (Curlin)**. Mott is adding his fourth Eclipse Award following wins in 1995-1996 and 2011.

Over the past two seasons, Mott has been stationed in fifth in earnings, behind a rotating wheel of Brad Cox, Chad Brown, Todd Pletcher and Steve Asmussen, all of whom are armed with both the quality and numbers that are generally seen dominating the American racing landscape. Certainly, most people wouldn't cry the blues for him, least of all Mott himself, given his ability to continually draw some of the best from several of the nation's leading owners and breeders.

Currently, **he ranks fourth lifetime with 5,382 and earnings of \$340,782,251**. However, the numbers don't lie. In 2023, Mott-trained horses made 649 starts with earnings of \$17,437,147, standing in stark contrast to the division leading Cox, whose horses amassed \$30,947,677 for 963 starts. And delving a bit deeper, Mott runners collected an impressive 10 Grade I wins in 2023, only two behind division leaders Cox and Brown, and tied with Todd Pletcher.

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Outstanding Trainer

Bill Mott, 132; Brad Cox, 60; Steve Asmussen, 8; Chad Brown, 7; Jena Antonucci, 4; Todd Pletcher, 3; Bob Baffert, 1; Mark Casse, 1; Linda Rice, 1; Voter Abstentions, 2.



Bill Mott | Sarah Andrew

However, where Mott truly appeared to shine last season, and can be argued to have dominated, is the number of top-level performers that graced his stable.

Mott rounds out the season with a trio of divisional champions--multiple Grade I scorers **Cody's Wish** and **Elite Power (Curlin)**, in addition to undefeated GI Breeders' cup Juvenile Fillies heroine Just F Y I (**Justify**), who earned the 2023 Eclipse Award as the nation's leading juvenile filly. Godolphin homebred **Cody's Wish** was near flawless last year, winning four of five starts, all at the graded level, including the GI Churchill Downs S., GI Met Mile and GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. Campaigned by Juddmonte, **Elite Power** launched his 2023 campaign with a victory in the G3 Riyadh Dirt Sprint in Saudi Arabia, adding a trio of stateside wins--the GII True North S., GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H. and GI Breeders' Cup Sprint--later in the year. Once again demonstrating his ability to train a leading lady, Mott led George Krikorian's Just F Y I to a trio of victories in 2023, punctuated by the GI Frizette S. and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. Last season, Mott was also responsible for top-rung winners Art Collector (Bernardini), winner of the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational, Casa Creed (Jimmy Creed), victorious in the GI Fourstardave S., and GI Joe Hirsch Turf Classic heroine War Like Goddess (English Channel). --**CBossTDN**

OUTSTANDING JOCKEY

IRAD ORTIZ JR.

2023 Record: 1462-343-252-232, \$38,066,662

A native of Trujillo Alto, Puerto Rico, Irad Ortiz Jr. turned in another strong year as he scooped up his fifth Eclipse Champion Jockey Award. Tops in starts, wins and earnings, Ortiz started 2023 by reclaiming the Gulfstream Park Championship Meet riding title.

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He then successfully captured one of the most sought after prizes in the sport when he ran away as Saratoga's leading jockey after registering 62 wins--up from 52 the year prior.

After learning he had secured his second consecutive Saratoga riding title, Ortiz said, "It means a lot, it means everything. It's a special place and it's a lot of work. My agent [Steve Rushing] does a great job and I have big support from trainers and owners."

To cap his Eclipse run, Ortiz arrived at Santa Anita for the Breeders' Cup and helped both Goodnight Olive (**Ghostzapper**) (F&M Sprint) and **Elite Power** (**Curlin**) (Sprint) repeat in their respective races.

In the Classic, Ortiz celebrated his second victory in the race when he guided home White Abarrio (Race Day). His first came over the same surface in 2019 with Vino Rosso (**Curlin**).

"Everything came out perfect," Ortiz said after he guided White Abarrio home. "We handicapped that race perfectly as we thought Saudi Crown and Arabian Knight would be on the lead and we should be third. I saved all the ground on the first turn and then I was able to get in the clear on the backside. After that, it all about the horse. To be honest, I just let him do his thing and I don't get in his way. When I turned for him, I started to ride him and kept responding."--**@campbellparlay**

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023

First-Place Votes - Outstanding Jockey

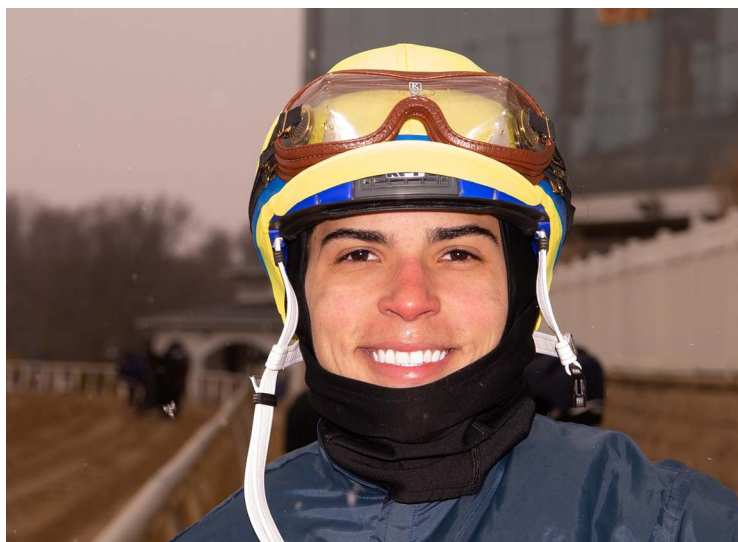
Irad Ortiz Jr., 187; Javier Castellano, 17; Flavien Prat, 7; Junior Alvarado, 4; Juan Hernandez, 1; Luis Saez, 1; Mike Smith, 1.
Voter Abstention, 1.



Irad Ortiz Jr. | Benoit

OUTSTANDING APPRENTICE JOCKEY AXEL CONCEPCION

2023 Record: 1,005-199-160-159, \$5,179,154



Axel Concepcion | Jim McCue

Outstanding Apprentice Jockey Axel Concepcion, a Puerto Rican native and graduate of the Escuela Vocacional Hipica jockey school, started his year off early by earning his first North American win in February at Laurel Park. Represented by agent Tom Stiff, the newly-turned 18-year-old rounded out the spring season in the Mid Atlantic by capturing the Laurel meet title over veterans Jevian Toledo and Jeiron Barbosa.

"I ride all my horses with confidence," said Concepcion following that title. "Thanks to all the owners and trainers that help me. In the morning I work very hard for this, my first meet that I win. I'm very grateful."

Second in the standings behind Jamie Ness to end Laurel's summer season, Concepcion then moved his tack to Kentucky in November where he came second again, this time to Luan Machado, to close out the year at Turfway Park's holiday meet. Riding for top stables and trainers, Concepcion picked up the rides on horses such as GISP Chop Chop (**City of Light**) and MGSW Field Pass (Lemon Drop Kid). He would finish the year ranked 14th by wins and just inside the top 50 for career earnings. --**Stefanie Grimm**

ECLIPSE AWARDS 2023 First-Place Votes

Outstanding Apprentice Jockey

Axel Concepcion, 166; Sofia Vives, 16; Jamie Torres, 14; Luis R. Rivera Jr., 7; Walter A Rodriguez, 2. Voter Abstentions, 14.

FRIDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS:

By J.N. Campbell



Acclaimed Victor (Hip 1370) | Keeneland

OMAHA BEACH COLT STORMS TAMPA DIRT FOR DEBUT

8th-TAM, \$53K, Msw, 3yo, 7f, 4:03 p.m. ET.

Bred by Clearsky Farms, **ACCLAIMED VICTOR** (Omaha Beach) makes his first start for Hall of Fame trainer Todd Pletcher. The \$725,000 Keeneland September grad, who was purchased by St. Elias, was the third highest selling yearling in 2022 by his top five first-crop sire.

Out of Color Me Flying (Distorted Humor), the 3-year-old is a half-brother to MGSP Colorful Mischief (Into Mischief), who St. Elias acquired at the 2020 Fasig-Tipton Select Yearling Sale for \$300,000.

Acclaimed Victor's extended female family includes his dam's half-sister MGSW Teresa Z (Smart Strike), and third dam MGISW My Flag (Easy Goer), who is responsible for champion 2-year-old filly Storm Flag Flying (Storm Cat). **TJCIS PPS**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Gulfstream, \$59,000, (S), Alw, 1-25, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.24, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

STAR OF SATURN (f, 3, The Big Beast--Marathon Lady {MGISP, \$282,825}, by Graeme Hall) broke her maiden by 1 1/4 lengths facing state-bred company at first asking in Hallandale in early August before running a month later as a well-beaten runner-up in a Gulfstream open optional claimer to fellow Florida product and next-out stakes winner R Harper Rose (Khozan). Coming off a four-month break and racing with first-time Lasix, the 3-5 choice here raced in fourth as a pair vied for the lead up the backstretch. The filly was asked towards the end of the far turn, took aim at the leaders at the eighth pole from the outside and took control to win by 1 1/2 lengths over Belle's Blue Bell (Girvin). The winner's dam went to **Always Dreaming** for \$30,000 at the 2022 Keeneland November Sale while carrying a colt by Mitole. She was bred to Jackie's Warrior for this season. Sales History: \$40,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$82,480. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Wendy Ouriel Racing LLC; B-Alex Lieblong & JoAnn Lieblong (FL); T-Bobby S. Dibona.



Star of Saturn | Ryan Thompson



Arrogate | Asuncion Piñeyrua

9th-Fair Grounds, \$58,000, Alw, 1-25, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:42.95, sy, 1/2 length.

TINY TEMPER (f, 4, Arrogate--Don't Blame Me {GSP}, by Blame) took to the slop in her second career race as a juvenile at Churchill Downs in late October and won by 1 1/2 lengths. Not seen until late last summer when she was a well-beaten seventh against allowance company at Ellis Park, the filly was able to draw in as a 'Main-Track-Only' participant here. Donning blinkers and off as a 3-1 shot, the 4-year-old tracked from the third position. Tiny Temper stayed off the rail up the backstretch and steadily began to reel in the frontrunners into the far turn. Entering the long stretch, the Dallas Stewart trainee set her sights on the leader, collared her target just past the sixteenth pole and splashed home by a half length. The winner's dam was purchased for \$120,000 by Brookstone Farm at the 2020 Keeneland November Sale with a colt by **Gun Runner** in-utero. Repole Stable bought him at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton October Yearling Sale for \$350,000. Don't **Blame** Me's last produce of record is colt by **McKinzie**, who is now a 2-year-old. Sales History: \$240,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$310,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$155,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$132,240. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Mark H. Stanley and Nancy W. Stanley; B-Alan S. Kline Revocable Trust (KY); T-Dallas Stewart.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

5th-Turfway, \$70,000, Msw, 1-24, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:49.71, ft, 1 length.

ENZI (f, 3, Into Mischief--Truly Gifted, by Afleet Alex) was well-beaten in her first Florence try in late November. With a similar result at Turfway Jan. 10, the filly went off as a 24-1 shot here. The hooded 3-year-old sat along the rail towards the rear of the field into the first turn. Under a creeping pace of :25.23 for the first quarter mile and :50.58 for the first half mile, the filly continued to be on hold around the far turn, but picked up a favorable spot by cutting the corner. Although she bumped briefly with another horse, Enzi finally had a free lane open up and was best by a length over Stephanieswarrior (**Mendelssohn**). A half-sister to French multiple group stakes winner and GIII Poker S. hero Art Master (Royal Academy) and GI Malibu S. victor Latent Heat (Maria's Mon), the winner's dam is responsible for a 2-year-old by Authentic, who was purchased for \$280,000 by AAA Thoroughbreds at the 2022 Keeneland November Sale. She also produced a colt by **Charlatan** who is now a yearling. Sales History: \$510,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$44,216. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-James McIngvale; B-Drumkenny Farm, American Equistock Inc. & Dromoland Farm Inc. (KY); T-Marcus O'Donnell.



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IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Yuafiquk Allah, c, 3, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Belvoir Bay (GB) (GISW-US, G1SP-UAE, \$1,699,787), by Equiano (Fr). King Abdulaziz, 1-25, Maiden, 1400m. B-Julianna Hawn, Cross Triangle Farm LLC (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$220,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; €200,000 2yo '23 ARQMAY. ***First foal out of the 2019 GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint heroine who is expected to deliver a foal from the first crop of **Flightline** in 2024.

VIDEO (SC 3)



Al Wahiss, h, 5, **American Pharoah**--Ghostly Darkness, by **Ghostzapper**. King Abdulaziz, 1-25, Allowance, 1600m. B-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm (KY). *1/2 to Levante Lion (Pioneer of the Nile), GSW-Jpn, \$468,656. **VIDEO (SC 9)**



IN JAPAN:

Epluchage (Jpn), c, 4, **Justify**--Champagne Room (Ch. 2yo Filly & GISW, \$1,490,600), by Broken Vow. Ohi, 1-25, Allowance, 1400m. B-Northern Racing.

IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Moaetter (KSA), c, 4, **Connect**--Taxi Lady, by Bellamy Road. King Abdulaziz, 1-25, Allowance (KSA-bred), 1800m. B-n/a. *1/2 to Imnogood (Jimmy Creed), Ch. Imp. 2yo Filly & MSW-PR. **\$20,000 in utero '19 KEENOV. **VIDEO (SC 1)**



In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses running this weekend at Tokyo Racecourse:



Paraiba Tourmaline | Tomoya Moriuchi/Horsephotos

Saturday, January 27, 2024

4th-TOK, ¥14,880,000 (\$101k), Allowance, 3yo, 1600m

SONIC STAR (c, 3, **Into Mischief**--Carolina Bertie, by **Speightstown**), a \$300,000 Keeneland September purchase by Katsumi Yoshida, was a handy winner of his 1800-meter debut at Hanshin Sept. 24 and was last seen finishing 11th behind the talented Amante Bianco (Jpn) (Henny Hughes) in the Cattlella S., the first race on the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby, going this course and distance Nov. 25. The dark bay is out of an unraced daughter of Bashful Bertie (Quiet American), a full-sister to MGSW Allamerican Bertie and the dam of US MGSW turf star Beach Patrol (Lemon Drop Kid), who now stands in Japan. B-Nancy C Shuford (KY)

Sunday, January 28, 2024

11th-TOK, Negishi S.-G3, ¥76m (\$516k), 3yo/up, 1400m

PARAIBA TOURMALINE (f, 4, **Malibu Moon**--Private Jet, by **Smart Strike**) won two of her first three tries at a mile over this surface to begin her career prior to taking the Listed Kanto Oaks over an extended mile and a quarter (2100m) at NAR Kawasaki last June. She was not beaten far in two subsequent tries at stakes level and cuts back to the shortest distance of her career for this first go in group company. Stonestreet acquired the filly's dam, a full-sister to two-time Eclipse Award winner Lookin At Lucky and a half to MGSW Kensei (Mr. Greeley) and GSW 'TDN Rising Star' Shahama (**Munnings**), for \$360,000 in foal to **Constitution** at Keeneland November in 2016. Paraiba Tourmaline was led out unsold on a bid of \$70,000 at Keeneland September in 2021, but fetched \$450,000 from Katsumi Yoshida at the OBS March Sale the following spring. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings (KY)

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**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JANUARY 26***2024 Stud Fees Listed***Audible** (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000

261 foals of racing age/22 winners/2 black-type winners

8-Oaklawn, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, No Pay No Hay, 20-1

\$130,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$65,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$60,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

3-Laurel, 1:23 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Work Hard, 5-1

\$42,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$77,000 KEE SEP yrl

Catholic Boy (More Than Ready), Claiborne Farm, \$10,000

160 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners

8-Oaklawn, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Catholic Sue, 30-1

\$40,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$25,000 OBS APR 2yo

Coal Front (Stay Thirsty), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000

80 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners

6-Oaklawn, 3:55 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Haulin Ice, 10-1

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500

53 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner

8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Motaskari, 20-1

\$7,000 FTK OCT yrl

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000

200 foals of racing age/24 winners/4 black-type winners

5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Last U Turn, 30-1

\$20,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$32,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$27,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

Heart to Heart (English Channel), Crestwood Farm

60 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners

6-Charles Town, 9:32 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Queen of Hearts,

5-1

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000

231 foals of racing age/36 winners/3 black-type winners

10-Turfway, 10:25 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Alwaysintomischief,

9-2

\$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$75,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$72,000 OBS OPN 2yo

8-Oaklawn, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, The Big Calhouna, 15-1

\$22,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$30,000 OBS APR 2yo

8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Donegal Freedom, 6-1

\$200,000 KEE SEP yrl

8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Aoc 5 1/2f, True Princess, 20-1

\$45,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 OBS APR 2yo

Omaha Beach (**War Front**), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000

291 foals of racing age/28 winners/3 black-type winners

8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Acclaimed Victor, 7-2

\$725,000 KEE SEP yrl

5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Allied Victory, 5-1

Vino Rosso (**Curlin**), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000

309 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners

8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Grand Rozzo, 15-1

\$32,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$29,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:03 p.m. EST, Msw 7f, Rosso, 20-1

\$25,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$22,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

World of Trouble (**Kantharos**), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$5,000

129 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner

10-Turfway, 10:25 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Trouble's Roaring, 7-2

\$37,500 KEE SEP yrl; \$150,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), Darley Japan, \$1,500,000

164 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners

3-Laurel, 1:23 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Desvio, 12-1

\$60,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$70,000 FTK OCT yrl



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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Turfway, \$73,776, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 1-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:12.21, ft, head.

SOUPER EXPLOSIVE (f, 4, Gun Runner--Indian Safari, by Indian Charlie) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-0, \$148,738. O-Live Oak Plantation; B-Dan Agnew (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. *\$320,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **Full to Chatalas, GSW, \$251,200.

Fleetwood Bloodstock Recommended Mating

7th-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 1-25, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:46.86, sy, 1/2 length.

VISIONISTA (f, 4, Court Vision--Miss Pitty Pat, by Data Link) Lifetime Record: 14-3-3-1, \$123,980. O-Ismael Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Charles Hicks (LA); T-Eduardo Rodriguez.

8th-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 1-25, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.42, sy, 1/2 length.

CALIBRACHOA KID (c, 4, Calibrachoa--Indication, by Vindication) Lifetime Record: SP, 11-4-1-1, \$118,780. O-Tye E. Smith; B-Daniel R Chicola & Lexi Pearah (LA); T-Shane Wilson.

3rd-Sunland, \$42,100, (S), 1-25, (NW3L), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.40, ft, 1/2 length.

PRECIOUS PRIDE (m, 5, Punctuate--Precious Bay Queen, by Bay Head King) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-4, \$101,488. O-James Hailey; B-Gerald E. Marr (NM); T-Joel H. Marr.

1st-Penn National, \$40,000, (S), 1-24, (NW1BX), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12.38, wf, 2 1/4 lengths.

PHABULOUS PHOEBE (f, 3, Bourbon Courage--Honest Feelings, by Yes It's True) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$42,506. O-Tom Coulter; B-Arrowwood Farm (PA); T-Bruce M. Kravets.

2nd-Penn National, \$40,000, (S), 1-24, (NW1BX), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.45, wf, 2 1/2 lengths.

SOCIAL LADY (f, 4, Social Inclusion--Graemy, by Graeme Hall) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-1, \$120,170. O-Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Jagger, Inc.; B-Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA); T-Jamie Ness. *\$37,000 RNA 2yo '22 EASMAY. **1/2 to Tara's Talent (Talent Search), MSP, \$375,686.

4th-Penn National, \$40,000, (S), 1-24, (NW1BX), 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:44.78, wf, 1/2 length.

KEEN LOOKIN (g, 4, Keen Ice--Humble Street {SP}, by Street Sense) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$48,843. O-Linda Merritt; B-H. Allen Poindexter (PA); T-Corby Caiazzo. *\$27,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.



4th-Sunland, \$35,100, 1-25, (NW3L), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.22, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.

MEDIMPACT (g, 4, More Than Ready--Bixby Lou, by Harlan's Holiday) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$67,813. O-Jeremy Ramsland; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci. *\$70,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$52,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

6th-Mahoning Valley, \$33,900, 1-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.53, my, 6 lengths.

LADY LOTTIE (f, 4, Tamarkuz--Page Springs {MSW, \$199,068}, by Rocky Bar) Lifetime Record: MSP, 13-5-5-1, \$178,948. O-Jason DaCosta and Calypso Stable; B-Hal Snowden (OH); T-Jason DaCosta. *\$5,500 Ylg '21 OBSWIN.

8th-Mahoning Valley, \$33,700, (S), 1-25, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13.43, my, 9 1/2 lengths.

CIRO THE BOSS (g, 4, Laoban--Jade, by Colonel John) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-0, \$52,185. O-Anthony Farrior; B-Mark Allen Toothaker & Gigi Chiandussi (OH); T-Anthony Farrior. *\$70,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$75,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$27,000 RNA Ylg '21 EASOCT.

7th-Mahoning Valley, \$29,900, 1-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.69, my, neck.

OVER THE HILLS (g, 7, To Honor and Serve--Black Hills Goldie {SP, \$122,730}, by Black Minnaloushe) Lifetime Record: 34-7-5-9, \$138,464. O-Joseph Pizzurro; B-Paul Buttigieg (ON); T-Joe Pizzurro.

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Star of Saturn (The Big Beast) rolls late to take a state-bred allowance at Gulfstream Park.

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IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF NEARCO, A NEW CHAPTER BEGINS AT BEECH HOUSE STUD



Mostahdaf at Beech House Stud | Emma Berry

By Emma Berry

Eighty-five years and a number of equine generations ago, Nearco (Ity) embarked on his stallion career at Beech House Stud. The year was 1939 and, understandably given the age, a bomb shelter was constructed by order of the stud's owner Martin Benson to protect its most prized resident (see the photograph on page 2).

Benson had bought the unbeaten Nearco, winner of the Grand Prix de Paris and Derby Italiano, from his breeders Federico Tesio and Mario Incisa della Rochetta for a then-record £60,000 (the equivalent of just over £5 million today). To note that the son of Pharos (GB) became champion sire twice in England is to tell only a fraction of his story. Nearco's influence on the Thoroughbred breed as we know it today has been profound. His son Royal Charger (GB) established a sire-line which includes Hail To Reason and his descendants Halo, Sunday Silence and Deep Impact (Jpn). Another son, Nasrullah (GB), is responsible for several significant branches, including the lines of Bold Ruler, Grey Sovereign (GB), Red God and Never Bend. And then there was Nearco's son Nearctic, the sire of Northern Dancer. Need we say more? [Cont. p3](#)

SUMMERS LOOKING FOR MORE MEYDAN MAGIC WITH CLAPTON

by Alan Carasso & Heather Anderson

Trainer Chad Summers knows the nooks and crannies of Meydan, having saddled Mind Your Biscuits (Posse) to victories in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen in 2017 and again in 2018. With Dubai World Cup just a couple of months down the road, the horseman is back in the Emirates for Friday's newly upgraded G1 Al Maktoum Challenge-R2 and is in with a big chance in the form of RRR Racing's **Clapton** (Brethren).

The Florida-bred 5-year-old was acquired privately by these connections last summer and earned a spot in the field for the GI Breeders' Cup Classic with an 8-1 upset in the GIII Lukas Classic S. at Churchill Downs, where he had next-out GII Clark S. hero Trademark (**Upstart**) a head back in second. The latter races in Saturday's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S.

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Nearco being led out of his bomb shelter at Beech House Stud by Ernie Lee in 1941. The photograph is believed to have been taken by Reginald Anscomb, who had a photography shop in Newmarket High Street. | Reginald Anscomb

SIYOUNI FILLY THE STAR OF ARQANA ONLINE

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Mostahdaf Cont. from p1

A glance at the official IFHA and [Longines world rankings](#) released earlier this week attest to Nearco's continuing dominance. The first nine names on the list are all his direct male descendants, and it takes [Cody's Wish](#) and Titleholder (Jpn), from the Mr. Prospector line and in joint-tenth place, to break that run. In second behind Equinox (Jpn), and the joint-top-rated horse in Europe last year was Mostahdaf (Ire), his rating of 128 placing him on a shared mark with Ace Impact (Ire).

Mostahdaf's retirement to the Shadwell stallion roster for 2024 brings a little piece of bloodstock history full circle. Having been based at Nunnery Stud in Thetford for a number of years, Shadwell's collection of British stallions has now returned to Beech House Stud, which was bought by the late Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum in 1990.

Mostahdaf now stands in the box once occupied by Nearco, who is buried at the stud and whose name can be found six generations back on the top line of Mostahdaf's pedigree (among other places), through [Frankel](#) (GB), Galileo (Ire), Sadler's Wells, Northern Dancer and Nearctic. Those names alone are enough to provide an entrée to the stallion market.

How many sires will be advertised in the years to come with the line 'A son of [Frankel](#)'?

As with all horses, though, that's only one half of the equation. Mostahdaf is a result of Sheikh Hamdan's purchase in 2009 of the Dubawi (Ire) filly Handassa (GB). Bought from her breeder Red House Stud for 100,000gns, she is out of a half-sister to the champion sprinters Goodricke (GB) and Pastoral Pursuits (GB) and earned more black type for the family herself when winning the Listed Garnet S. over a mile for Kevin Prendergast.

Handassa rang the bell with her third foal, Nazeef (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), winner of the G1 Sun Chariot and G1 Falmouth S. during a high-flying career with John Gosden, and it has been pealing loudly once more thanks to the progressive talents of Mostahdaf.

"He was the highest-rated Prince of Wales's Stakes winner since Dubai Millennium back in 2000. He defeated a long list of Group 1 winners in his two Group 1 wins last year and was a very impressive horse throughout his career," says Shadwell's Will Wright, whose job it is to encourage breeders to send their mares to the new stallion. That shouldn't be too difficult.

The Royal Ascot triumph was followed by victory in the G1 Juddmonte International.

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Alayna Cullen Birkett checks in with Will Wright on Shadwell's new stallion Mostahdaf. | [Racingfotos.com](#)

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Mostahdaf Cont.

In those back-to-back successes, Mostahdaf had first Luxembourg (Ire), Adayar (Ire) and Bay Bridge (GB) in his wake, then Nashwa (GB) and **Paddington (GB)**. His overall record reads 10 wins from 17 starts and almost £2.5 million in career earnings. Moreover, he is an enticing addition to a line-up in Britain which includes the top-rated turf horse in the world in 2022, Baaeed (GB), and fellow Group 1 winner Mohaather (GB), whose first runners will be seen later this year. It is a young line-up of burgeoning promise, and in Ireland the Shadwell team is completed by two more Group 1 winners, Minzaal (Ire) and Awtad (Ire).

Shadwell has also recently 'supplied' Baaeed's highly-credentialed brother Hukum (Ire) to Darley Japan and the treble Group 2 winner Mutasaabeq (GB) to the National Stud.

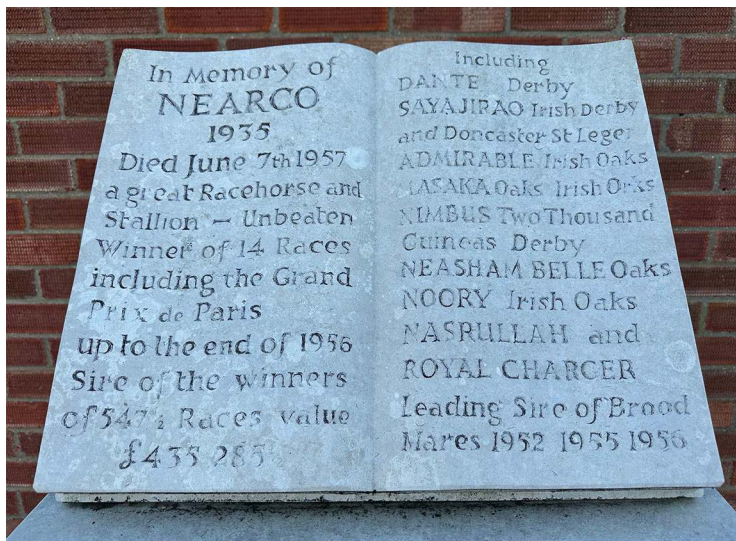
An imposing dark bay stallion, Mostahdaf's wins came between 7f and the 1m4f of the G3 September S. They included two Listed victories at a mile and those crucial Group 1s over 10f and 10.5f. He has the range and scope of a middle-distance

horse, with some intriguing sprint elements close up in his family.

"That speed, as we know, is important in the modern-day market," says Wright. "He's got everything. Obviously [there's] **Frankel**, and the ability to win stakes races over a mile. He won on debut by four lengths over seven furlongs."

Anyone who saw Mostahdaf up close at the races last year as a five-year-old would have seen that he was already showing signs of being interested in the next phase of his career, not

that his sometimes-noisy intent stopped him compiling his best season on the track. At Beech House in the weak January sunshine, his behaviour is more lamblike. **Cont. p5**



Memorial to Nearco at Beech House Stud | Emma Berry

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Chris Constantine with Mostahdaf | Emma Berry

Mostahdaf Cont.

In fact, he is the very picture of relaxed contentment as he stands placidly, his footing being adjusted here and there for the camera by his skilful handler Chris Constantine.

The young Shadwell team, both equine and human, looks to have settled into the new surroundings very happily after crossing the border from Norfolk back to Suffolk.

Wright says, "To have the stallions standing at Beech House is great and has put us back in the heart of Newmarket. It's very exciting to position ourselves in the home of horse racing, and to have our stallions here makes them far more accessible to breeders visiting the sales, etc.

"The move to Beech House is very exciting for all concerned. Obviously this is a stud of great history, being home to past greats Crepello and St Paddy. The list goes on, but obviously Nearco is the headline name here."

The former presence of the Derby winners Crepello (GB) and St Paddy (GB) hark back to the days of Beech House Stud being owned by their breeder Sir Victor Sassoon. Crepello, too, has a

link to Tesio being a son of another of the trainer-breeder's great horses, Donatello (Fr), as does Ribero, another former Beech House stallion and an Irish Derby and St Leger-winning son of Tesio's masterpiece Ribot (GB).

As a final thought, it is worth reflecting on a bloodstock 'Sliding Doors' moment as recounted by Tesio's friend and business partner Mario Inciso della Rochetta in his book 'The Tesios as I Knew Them'.

Incisa tells how Nearco's dam Nogara had been an intended mate for Lord Derby's Fairway (GB), a match carefully plotted by Tesio in the hope that the sizeable Fairway could add substance to the small mare, and his stamina enhance her sprinting race record. A change of stud manager at Woodlands Stud to a new man who had no knowledge of Tesio, meant that Nogara was turned down for Fairway. The mare was thus rerouted to France and Fairway's full-brother Pharos (GB), who was described by Incisa as being physically more compact than his brother. He wrote that Tesio was in despair. That lasted only until the weanling Nearco started to boss his paddock mates at Olgiata, as he would later do to his rivals on the racecourse. [Cont. p6](#)



Mostahdaf at Santa Anita last autumn | Emma Berry

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The rest, as they say, is history, and it is a rich one at that. Some six and seven generations removed from Nearco and his appearance at Beech House Stud, three of his many male-line descendants are at his former home and in the early throes of being able to establish their own importance in the bloodstock world.

Will they be modern-day influencers of the breed? Time will tell. But what we do know for sure is that the consequences of Martin Benson's measures to ensure that the less-than-friendly bombs of the Second World War did not fall on Nearco have been far-reaching indeed.

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“He was showing it at home, but he had to go over and prove it at the races, and I believe he did,” the conditioner said. “He’s come out of that race in good shape. Ideally we wouldn’t want to be running back in two weeks, but it’s a million-dollar Group 1. I think he belongs in it, and whatever he does in it, we’re looking forward to the third round and World Cup night.”

Atletico El Culano (Uru) (Alcorano {Brz}) was third to the G1 Saudi Cup-bound Isolate (Mark Valeski) at big odds in last year’s G2 Godolphin Mile and prepped for this with a defeat of **Military Law (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) in a course-and-distance handicap Dec. 22. Third in that heat was **Walk of Stars (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who can improve for that first experience on the dirt in this spot.

RACE PREVIEWS

Fashion Friday Preview Cont. from p1

Ironically, Mind Your Biscuits was victorious in the Lukas Classic before finishing down the field in the Breeders’ Cup, but Friday, Clapton will meet nothing of the quality of White Abarrio (Race Day) and Mind Your Biscuits’s son Derma Sotogake (Jpn)--at least this time around. Antonio Fresu breezed Clapton in California prior to the Breeders’ Cup and is in to ride Friday.

“We think that maybe he didn’t like being on the inside,” Summers said, referring to the Classic. “He’s such a big horse that we’d like him to really get into his rhythm and if we lose a little bit of ground, that’s OK. We hope they’ll go an honest-enough pace. We’re adding blinkers for this, too.”

Kabirkhan (California Chrome) is very much the new kid on the block, and trainer Doug Watson wheels him back on two weeks’ rest after the colt--eight for nine in Russia--was an extremely impressive winner of a 2000-metre handicap on Jan. 1.



Clapton | [Coglianese Photography](#)

Mawj Aiming For Hat Trick Of Meydan Wins In Jebel Hatta

It is not every day a G1 Breeders’ Cup Mile runner-up surfaces in the G1 Jebel Hatta Presented by Longines over 1800 metres of pristine Meydan turf, but Godolphin’s **Mawj (Ire)** (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) will be doing just that in her 4-year-old bow. The diminutive filly, a winner of the G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup in England and the U.S., respectively, is trained by Saeed bin Suroor. She was the slimmest of noses behind fellow Godolphin runner Master Of The Seas (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the Mile at Santa Anita last November.

“Mawj arrived in Dubai after the Breeders’ Cup and had a bit of an easy time,” said bin Suroor, who last won this race in 2019 with Dream Castle (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**), and trained Mawj to a pair of 2023 conditions race wins over the Meydan lawn. “She’s doing well and I’m happy with her. After this the plan is the [G1] Dubai Turf [on Dubai World Cup night at the end of March] and then we will take her back to Europe.” [Cont. p7](#)



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Fashion Friday Preview Cont.

Last-out G2 Zabeel Mile hero **San Donato (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}), from the yard of Doug Watson, is trying for his first top-tier victory, as is Zabeel Mile third **El Patriota (Uru)** (Ecologo {Arg}).

Julio Olascoaga, who trains the latter said, “He earned the chance to run this race after his good result last time out. The opposition cannot be stronger but we’re confident he will continue to run big.”

G2 Bahrain Trophy winner Spirit Dancer (GB) (Frankel {GB}), owned in part by Sir Alex Ferguson, is also part of the nine-strong field.

Trainer Richard Fahey said, “It’s his first Group 1 and a tough race, a proper Group 1 and we’re looking forward to seeing him run. Everything is going well and he’s in great order.

“I’m afraid his owners can’t make it this time which is a big shame because I know they were keen to come, but it’s just fallen on the wrong day sadly. Sir Alex is used to winning, but he gets a good kick out of it, so let’s hope he runs well again.”

An Eighth Al Fahidi Fort For Appleby?

Godolphin trainer Charlie Appleby is gunning for his eighth 1400-metre G2 Al Fahidi Fort, and will saddle both Grade I winner **Mysterious Night (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) and dual winner **Majestic Pride (GB)** (Shamardal) in the 12-horse field. Successful in the Summer S. in Canada as a juvenile, the 4-year-old won for the first time since with a four-length drubbing of his foes in a local handicap over this distance on Jan. 19 and is returning just one week later.

Already a winner of the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest, **King Gold (Fr)** (Anodin {Ire}) ran fifth to Kelina (Ire) (**Frankel (GB)**) in the G1 Prix de la Foret at ParisLongchamp on Oct. 1 going the Fort trip

and makes his first start back on Friday.

“He’s settled in really well to Dubai again,” said Marine Henry, wife and assistant to trainer Nicholas Caullery. “He’s worked a few times on the racetrack and worked well. This isn’t a main objective for him—we’re not expecting him to win—but we’re hoping to run well.”

Shadwell’s **Danyah (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) stunned the G1 Al Quoz Sprint field at 33-1 last March, and he was a narrow second to the re-opposing **Vafortino (Ire)** (New Bay {GB}) in the Listed Business Bay Challenge warming up for this on Dec. 22.

House Eyeing Blue Point Sprint

Sailing into the 1000-metre G2 Blue Point Sprint Presented by Longines over the Meydan straight course on a two-race winning streak, Mehmas (Ire)’s **Clarendon House (GB)** will be attempting to negotiate the hike between handicap and stakes company.

“If he can transfer what he did on the all-weather to grass, then I think it will suit him very well,” said trainer Robert Cowell, who struck at the Carnival in 2012 with Monsieur Joe (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}). “I think the fast ground and plenty of pace will be ideal, it’s whether he’s good enough to bridge this gap between handicaps and stakes races.”

Of his rivals, one of the strongest is **Equality (GB)** (Equiano {Fr}), who will be attempting softer company after taking the G3 Coral Charge S. in June for trainer Charlie Hills, but failing to hit the mark against several of the best sprinters in Europe later in the year.

“On ratings, he should be right up there, but it is his first run after a break and he’s probably fit enough to do himself justice but whether he’ll be quite 100% is another matter,” said Sam Hoskins, syndicate manager for owner Kennet Valley. **Cont. p8**



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The lightly raced listed winner **Star Of Mystery (GB)**, second in the G2 Duchess Of Cambridge S. during her six-start career, defeated GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint third Starlust (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}) in a Meydan conditions race on Jan. 12. The Godolphin-owned daughter of Kodiak (GB) sneaks into the field carrying only 117 pounds and will leave from gate 11.

Like Father, Like Son In the Guineas?

Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa's Asiatic Boy (Arg) took out the 2007 G3 UAE 2000 Guineas in his second local appearance before going on to wallop his Northern Hemisphere counterparts in the G2 UAE Derby two starts later. Seventeen years on, his son **Oasis Boy (Arg)**, a Group 2 winner at home when last spotted July 29 can make his presence felt in Friday's mile event at Meydan.

The other South American entrant is **Quartier (Uru)** (Matterhorn), who has the benefit of a spin around the racetrack on Jan. 5, when he ran on strongly after missing the kick to finish a good second to the well-regarded Ma Yetal (**Flameaway**), who sits this one out. Both South American-breds must give 10 pounds away to their less-mature rivals.

Killer Collect (Collected) makes his 3-year-old debut in the Guineas, having thrashed a field of maidens by 7 1/2 lengths over course and distance Dec. 8, while **Military Artist (Munnings)** races for the third time in four weeks, having most recently annexed a 1600-metre novice Jan. 12.

A Moat By Any Other Name

Friday's 1600-metre G3 Firebreak S. features 10 runners, and it is the progressive G3 Prix du Palais-Royal winner **Fort Payne (Fr)** (Rio De La Plata) who is one of the leading fancies. The Firebreak is not without its challenges, however, as it is his first start on

dirt, and his first appearance at Meydan after a career in France.

"It's his first time on the dirt but he did well on the Polytrack at home," said Marine Henry of the G3 Prix du Pin seventh, who is, like the aforementioned King Gold, trained by her husband Nicolas Caullery.

A veteran of the desert is **Thegreatcollection** (Saint Anddan), who secured a popular handicap victory at the ripe age of 10 over 1400 metres here on Jan. 12. Regular reinsman Adrie de Vries has the call, with the duo slotted midfield in gate six.

Al Shindagha River's For The Taking?

Bob Baffert has saddled **Laurel River** (Into Mischief) four times, with three wins to show from those Southern California efforts. However, the GII Pat O'Brien S. hero last graced a racecourse at Del Mar in August of 2022, and, despite joining the red-hot Bhupat Seemar barn in October, must overcome any ring-rustiness due to almost 17 months on the bench in Friday's G3 Al Shindagha Sprint.

"He is doing really well," said Seemar of the Grade II winner. "This looks a good place to start him as he hasn't run for a while."

The Juddmonte runner's task is not straightforward, with several rivals more battle-hardened in recent weeks. Chief among them is **Colour Up (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}), who hails from the Doug Watson stable. The 2023 Listed Garhoud Sprint hero was an encouraging third in the G3 Dubawi S. on Jan. 5.

More Black-Type Glory For Siskany?

The evening's nightcap is the Listed Al Khail Trophy Presented by Longines over 2810 metres on grass, and Godolphin's trio is anchored by the well-traveled **Siskany (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) for trainer Charlie Appleby. Second to Broome (Ire) (**Australia {GB}**) in the G2 Dubai Gold Cup at the end of March, the gelding claimed the GII Belmont Gold Cup S. in the U.S. two starts later in June, and could not quite catch India (Ger) (Adlerflug {Ger}) when third in the G1 Preis von Europa in September. He ran fifth as the favourite after being outfooted in the GII Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance S. on the dirt at Santa Anita on Nov. 4 and is looking for redemption in Friday's contest.

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IN THE HOT SEAT

Tom Goff

Tom Goff of Blandford Bloodstock has an intriguing dinner party guest list and is up next for our questionnaire.

Proudest moment of 2023?

Pride is best avoided in the racing game! Having said that, watching Emily Upjohn (GB) run a very close second to **Paddington (GB)** in the G1 Eclipse Stakes was a great event to be just a small part of. The filly, who we bought as a yearling for 60,000gns, had already won the G1 Coronation Cup brilliantly on her previous start. She was giving **Paddington** 7lbs and went down by just half a length. Gathered in a packed winner's enclosure at Sandown afterwards, you could feel an electric atmosphere. She had been beaten by a top-class colt who was really on the top of his game, but she lost nothing in defeat. Hopefully she might go one better this year...

What is your biggest ambition for the new year?

Stay healthy and be lucky.

Give us one horse to follow and why?

I watched a horse of Godolphin's called Arabian Crown (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) win the G3 Zetland Stakes at Newmarket last October. William Buick set some pretty fierce fractions on him and he looked a very good horse to me. He's 12-1 for the Derby.

And a young person in the industry to keep an eye on...

Harry Eustace is a young trainer in Newmarket who really impresses me. With luck on his side, he has a big future ahead of him.



Tom Goff | Emma Berry



Zetland S. winner Arabian Crown | Racingfotos.com

Who do you think will be champion first-season sire this year?

Pinatubo (Ire) is a very obvious selection but, looking to the future, I've seen some very good stock by **St Mark's Basilica (Fr)**.

And the best value stallion in Europe?

Sioux Nation at Coolmore. He's standing for €27,500 and is going great guns. I love him.

What's the one horse you wish you'd bought in 2023?

The Blue Point (Ire) half-brother to Battaash (Ire) and **The Antarctic (Ire)** at Tattersalls October Book 1, offered by Paul McCartan's Ballyphilip Stud. He made 1.5m guineas and was bought by Godolphin. A stunning yearling out of a fabulous mare by a very exciting young sire from a great hotel: what more do you want?

Biggest regret?

Not playing enough golf.

Biggest influence on your career?

John Gosden, who puts up with some rather long short-lists compiled by me at the yearling sales. John has an enviable work ethic and is obviously a brilliant trainer, not unlike Major Dick Hern, who I worked for over 30 years ago, who was also an amazing horseman. Tim Richards, who is an absolute gentleman and a very talented writer, who I worked with when I was Newmarket correspondent for the *Racing Post* many moons ago. Tim taught me the art of discretion and I recall that, in the days before the internet, a quite significant stallion had passed away prematurely. Unsure how to play the story, I rang Tim to ask his advice. "Oh, I'd sit on that for a day or two, Old Boy," he said. "No point in rocking the boat over that." Superb advice - but not something that would happen these days! **Cont. p10**

In The Hot Seat: Tom Goff Cont.

If you could sit down for dinner with three people (dead or alive) who would they be and why?

President John F Kennedy, Queen Elizabeth I and William Shakespeare.

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GOLD SHINES BRIGHTEST AT ARQANA ONLINE



Gypsy Gold | *Arqana Online*

A select catalogue for the Arqana Online January Sale was topped by dual winner **Gypsy Gold (Fr)** (**Siyouni {Fr}**) (lot 6) who was knocked down to **Ibrahim Araci** of Old Mill Stud for €280,000.

Consigned by Haras de Saint Pari, the filly-out-of-training is out of the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane-placed Glorious Sight (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}). The 4-year-old is a half-sister to Group 2 winner Glycon (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}) and a full-sibling to the stakes-placed Glaer (GB) (**Siyouni {Fr}**).

There were also four lots marked as sold from the Haras des Coudraies consignment, with that operation in the process of downsizing. Tops of the foursome was **Korliska (Fr)** (Saint Des Saints {Fr}) (lot 2), who joined the Haras du Berlais fold for €72,000. She is a full-sister to multiple group winner and Group 1-placed Kobrouk (Fr) (Saint Des Saints {Fr}). Haras de Chantemerle snapped up fellow Coudraies draft member **Kapkin (Fr)** (Kapgarde {Fr}) (lot 4) for €41,000. She is in foal to

Masked Marvel (GB).

Breeding rights in both **Victor Ludorum (GB)** (lot 9) and **Latrobe (Ire)** (lot 11) sold for €21,000 and €16,000, respectively. The former was picked up by Oliver St Lawrence, while Guy Petit struck for the latter.

Overall, seven lots grossed €462,000. For the full results, please visit the [Arqana Online website](#).

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JOCKEY COACHING PROGRAMME LAUNCHED BY EQUIIP



L to R: Derek O'Connor (Western region), Paddy Flood and Niall McCullagh (East and Midlands regions), Robbie Moran (South region) and Nina Carberry (Meath and North regions) have been appointed as HRI equip/IHRB accredited jockey coaches. | *Horse Racing Ireland*

A jockey coaching programme, that will see five qualified jockey coaches provide mentoring and specialised skills coaching across a range of subject areas to support and enhance the career development of all licensed jockeys in Ireland was launched by Horse Racing Ireland (HRI)'s equip on Thursday.

All five jockey coaches are former riders. The coaches and their regions are as follows: Nina Carberry (Meath and North regions), Paddy Flood and Niall McCullagh (East and Midlands regions), Robbie Moran (South region), and Derek O'Connor (Western region). Former champion jockey Barry Geraghty, who is a qualified life coach, will support the jockey coaches and is also a jockey liaison coach. Funded by equip, the jockey coaches will also assist in implementing continuing professional development (CPD). Jockeys at all levels in Ireland will be required to obtain a minimum of five sessions per year with their jockey coach, as well as five CPD points from engaging in any jockey pathway serves.

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Jockey Coaching Programme Cont.

Carol Nolan, director of people and equip at HRI, said, “The jockey coaching programme underscores the importance Horse Racing Ireland places on the welfare and progression of its professional athletes. By investing in sound coaching practices and providing structure to continuing professional development, HRI’s equip aims to create a conducive environment for jockeys to flourish in their careers, promoting excellence, resilience and longevity within the sport.”

For more information on the jockey coaching programme, please visit the [equip website](#).

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HOW THEY FARED

13.00 Southwell, Cond, £25,000, 4yo/up, 11f 23y (AWT)

The Foxes (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}), last year’s G2 Dante S. winner, was rusty on his first start for five months and could manage only third in this Winter Derby Trial, with this being very much a prep for the main event next month.

BRITAIN

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Southwell, £25,000, 1-25, 4yo/up, 11f 24y (AWT), 2:23.45, st.

ENEMY (GB) (g, 7, Muhaarar {GB}--Prudenzia {Ire} {SW-Fr }, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng & Sau, 32-5-8-2, \$803,485. O-Tracey Bell & Caroline Lyons; B-Ecurie des Monceaux & Skymarc Farm Inc (GB); T-Ian Williams. *€420,000 Ylg ‘18 ARAUG; €92,000 HRA ‘21 ARQAUT. *1/2 to Philomene (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$349,670; 1/2 to Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), G1SW-Aus, GSW & MG1SP-Ire, GSW-Eng, MG1SP-Fr, G1SP-HK, MGISP-US, \$4,702,433; 1/2 to Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), G1SW-Ire, G1SP-Eng, G1SP-Fr, \$859,094.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dunstan (Ire), c, 3, **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)**--My Fairy (Ire), by **Sea The Stars (Ire)**. Southwell, 1-25, 12f 14y (AWT), 2:40.04. Lifetime Record: 7-1-4-0, \$14,805. B-Sunderland Holding Inc (IRE). *32,000gns Ylg ‘22 TATOCT.

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Call To Action (Ire), c, 3, **Soldier's Call (GB)**--La Vale, by Freedom Child. Newcastle, 1-25, 5f (AWT), :59.76. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,370. B-Ballyhane (IRE).

FRANCE

Thursday's Results:

8th-Pau, €21,000, Mdn, 1-25, 3yo, f, 10f (AWT), 2:07.90, st. **ISFALIA (FR)** (f, 3, **Lethal Force {Ire}**--**Isleta {Fr}**, by **Tin Horse {Ire}**), sent off at 24-1, was green racing with two behind early. Swinging wide entering the straight, the newcomer produced an impressive surge down the outer to hit the front with a furlong remaining en route to recording a convincing 2 1/2-length verdict over Betty Nelson (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}). The winner is so far the only foal out of a relative of the G1 Prix Morny-winning sire Charge D'Affaires (GB) (Kendor {Fr}) and the G3 Brownstown S. scorer Marvada (Ire) (Elusive City). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €10,500. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-Raoul Deschildre (FR); T-Didier Guillemin.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Basheer (Fr), c, 3, **Ectot (GB)**--Brezena (Ire), by Lawman (Fr). Pau, 1-25, 10f (AWT), 2:06.70. B-Al Shaqab Racing (FR). **Tribeca (Ger)**, f, 4, **Guiliani (Ire)**--Tucana (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger). Deauville, 1-25, 12 1/2f (AWT), 2:41.48. B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER). *€135,000 Ylg '21 BBAOCT; €130,000 HRA '23 ARQDEC. **1/2 to Titurel (Ger) (Dr Fong), GSP-Fr, SP-Ger, \$182,574, & to Tusked Wings (Ire) (Adlerflug {Ger}), GSW-

Ger.

Black Lullaby (Ire), f, 4, **Siyouni (Fr)**--Maimara (Fr) (MGSW-Fr, \$204,024), by Makfi (GB). Deauville, 1-25, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:59.77. B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE). *€180,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG; €44,000 HRA '23 ARQAUT.



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IN THE UAE:

Ala Kaifi (GB), c, 4, **Mondialiste (Ire)**--Dream Child (Ire) (MSP-Eng, \$103,273), by Pivotal (GB). Abu Dhabi, 1-25, Hcp., 2400mT, 2:31.37, gd. B-Elwick Stud (GB). *£27,000 Ylg '21 GOFAUG; 50,000gns HRA '23 TATOCT. **VIDEO.**

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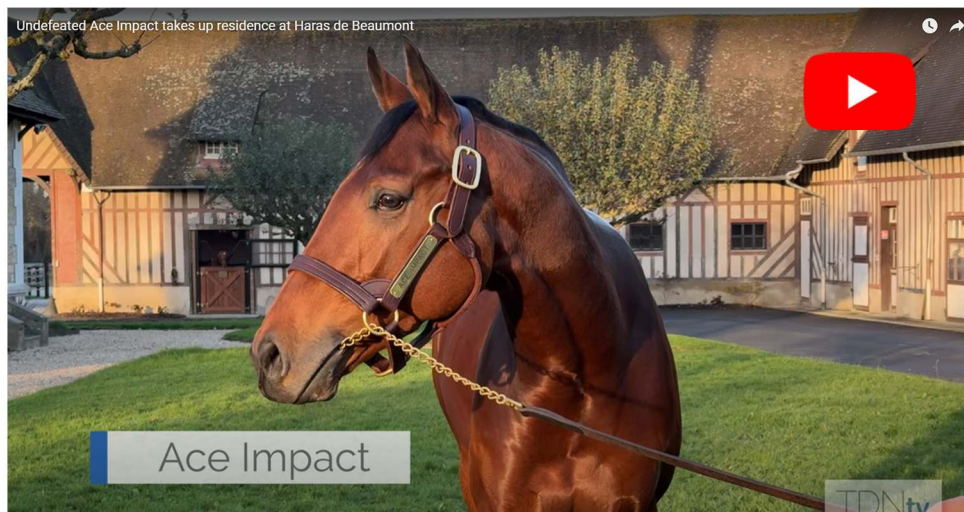
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Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 20:25p.m.

AL MAKTOUM CHALLENGE-G1, AED3,680,000, NH/SH4yo/up, 1900m

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	12	Atletico El Culano (Uru)	Alcorano (Brz)	da Silva	Olascoaga	126
2	11	Celtic Prince (GB)	Shamardal	Mobian	Bouresly	126
3	6	Clapton	Brethren	Fresu	Summers	126
4	2	Desert Wisdom (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	de Vries	Al Shemalli	126
5	8	Everfast 	Take Charge Indy	Chavez	Watson	126
6	7	First Constitution (Chi)	Constitution	Beasley	Al Mheiri	126
7	10	Franz Strauss (GB)	Golden Horn (GB)	Mullen	Seemar	126
8	4	Made in Dubai	More Than Ready	Barzalona	bin Ghadayer	126
9	9	Military Law (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Demuro	Al Mheiri	126
10	1	Walk of Stars (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	O'Shea	Seemar	126
11	3	Kabirkhan 	California Chrome	Dobbs	Watson	126
12	5	Mimi Kakushi (f)	City of Light	Ffrench	bin Ghadayer	120

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 21:00p.m.

JEBEL HATTA-G1, AED1,850,000, NH/SH4yo/up, 1800mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	4	El Patriota (Uru)	Ecologo (Arg)	da Silva	Olascoaga	126
2	2	Erzindjan (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Beasley	bin Harmash	126
3	1	Highland Avenue (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Mullen	Appleby	126
4	7	Ottoman Fleet (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Barzalona	Appleby	126
5	8	San Donato (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Dobbs	Watson	126
6	9	Spirit Dancer (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Orr	Fahey	126
7	6	Measured Time (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Buick	Appleby	125
8	3	Silawi (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Soumillon	de Mieulle	125
9	5	Mawj (Ire) (f)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Murphy	bin Suroor	120

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 18:40p.m.

AL FAHIDI FORT-G2, AED850,000, NH/SH4yo/up, 1400mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	10	Danyah (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Crowley	Al Mheiri	130
2	6	King Gold (Fr)	Anodin (Ire)	Pasquier	Caulley	130
3	4	Al Salt (Ire)	Mukhadram (Ire)	de Vries	Al Badwawi	126
4	3	Demain 	More Than Ready	Stott	Graffard	126
5	2	Majestic Pride (GB)	Shamardal	Barzalona	Appleby	126
6	9	Marbaan (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Marquand	Costa	126
7	1	Mysterious Night (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Buick	Appleby	126
8	8	Real World (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Murphy	bin Suroor	126
9	7	Rusumaat (Ire)	Arcano (Ire)	Chavez	Bouresly	126
10	12	Shining Blue (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Demuro	bin Suroor	126
11	11	Tamborrada (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Beasley	bin Harmash	126
12	5	Vafortino (Ire)	New Bay (Ire)	Soumillon	Philippart De Foy	126



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Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 19:50p.m.**BLUE POINT SPRINT-G2**, AED850,000, NH/SH3yo/up, 1000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Clarendon House (GB)	Mehmas (Ire)	McDonald	Cowell	132
2	7	Emaraaty Ana (GB)	Shamardal	S Osborne	J Osborne	132
3	10	Equality (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Buick	Hills	132
4	12	Equilateral (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Crowley	Hills	132
5	9	Logo Hunter (Ire)	Brazen Beau (Aus)	O'Shea	Seemar	132
6	3	Ponntos (Ire)	Power (GB)	Fresu	Nieslanik	132
7	2	Tajalla (Ire)	Kessaar (Ire)	Marquand	Costa	132
8	1	Thunder of Niagara (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Beasley	bin Harmash	132
9	4	Urgent Appeal (Ire)	Showcasing (GB)	Salas	Bouresly	132
10	13	Seven Questions (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Shepherd	Scott	121
11	6	Zorken (Fr)	Goken (Fr)	Demuro	Kopilova	121
12	8	Zoulu Chief (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Murphy	Main	121
13	11	Star of Mystery (GB) (f)	Kodiac (GB)	Barzalona	Appleby	118

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 18:05p.m.**FIREBREAK S-G3**, AED700,000, NH/SH4yo/up, 1600m

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Fort Payne (Fr)	Rio de la Plata	Murphy	Caulery	128
2	8	Echo Point (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Demuro	Al Mheiri	126
3	5	Hypothetical (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Barzalona	bin Ghadayer	126
4	9	Imperial Ace (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Ffrench	bin Ghadayer	126
5	4	Make Me King (Fr)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Soumillon	Al Jehani	126
6	1	Quality Humor 🦟	Distorted Humor	Beasley	bin Harmash	126
7	10	Royal Mews (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Slattery	Seemar	126
8	7	Saleym (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Marquand	Costa	126
9	2	Southern Artist	Munnings	Fresu	Seemar	126
10	6	Thegreatcollection	Saint Anddan	de Vries	Watson	126
11	11	Western Symphony (Ire)	Shamardal	O'Shea	Seemar	126

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 19:15p.m.**AL SHINDAGHA SPRINT-G3**, AED700,000, NH/SH3yo/up, 1200m


SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	9	Beolmaui Star (Kor)	To Honor and Serve	Ffrench	Bark	126
2	5	Colour Up (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Dobbs	Watson	126
3	6	Freedom Fighter 🦟	Violence	Mullen	Seemar	126
4	7	Laurel River	Into Mischief	O'Shea	Seemar	126
5	8	Leading Spirit (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Cosgrave	Seemar	126
6	4	Magic Petition 🦟	Good Magic	Beasley	bin Harmash	126
7	2	Mouheeb	Flatter	Marquand	Costa	126
8	1	Rawy 🦟	Frosted	Fresu	Al Mheiri	126
9	3	Wirko (Ger)	Kingman (GB)	Mobian	Bouresly	126



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Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 21:35p.m.

UAE 2000 GUINEAS-G3, AED700,000, NH/SH3yo, 1600m

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	8	Oasis Boy (Arg)	Asiatic Boy (Arg)	Soumillon	Olascoaga	131
2	1	Quartier (Uru)	Matterhorn	da Silva	Olascoaga	131
3	7	Killer Collect 	Collected	O'Shea	Seemar	121
4	6	Mendelssohn Bay 	Mendelssohn	Cosgrave	Seemar	121
5	3	Military Artist 	Munnings	de Vries	Nass	121
6	4	Nezeeh (Ire)	Profitable (Ire)	Murphy	bin Suroor	121
7	2	Rasas 	World of Trouble	Beasley	bin Harmash	121
8	5	Turjman 	Mitole	Marquand	Costa	121

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4.40 p.m.

CENTENARY SPRINT CUP-G1, HK\$13,000,000, 3yo/up, 1200mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Lucky Sweynesse (NZ)	Sweynesse (Aus)	Purton	Man	126
2	6	Wellington (Aus)	All Too Hard (Aus)	Bowman	Richards	126
3	3	Sight Succes (Aus)	Magnus (Aus)	Avdulla	Size	126
4	12	Courier Wonder (NZ)	Sacred Falls (NZ)	Ferraris	Newnham	126
5	7	Lucky With You (Aus)	Artie Schiller	Atzeni	Lor	126
6	10	Victor the Winner (Aus)	Toronado (Ire)	Leung	Shum	126
7	13	Duke Wai (NZ)	Per Incanto	Bentley	Ng	126
8	8	Taj Dragon (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Teetan	Ng	126
9	1	Super Wealthy (Aus)	Epaulette (Aus)	Hewitson	Ng	126
10	2	Packing Treadmill (Aus)	Manhattan Rain (Aus)	Kah	Lui	126
11	11	Whizz Kid (Aus)	Shalaa (Ire)	Yeung	Cruz	126
12	9	Flying Ace (NZ)	Swiss Ace (Aus)	Badel	Hall	126
13	4	Son Pak Fu (Aus)	Fighting Sun (Aus)	Chau	Yung	126

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