

“WE’RE CONFIDENT HE’S GOING TO RUN,” L & N RACING’S TRACK PHANTOM HEADLINES LOUISIANA DERBY



Track Phantom rolls to the wire in the GIII Lecomte S.
Hodges Photography

by Katie Petrunyak

Track Phantom was one of the last yearlings that the L and N Racing crew looked at ahead of the 2022 Keeneland September Sale. The **Quality Road** colt from the Taylor Made consignment stayed at the forefront of their minds and they took home the yearling, who was the second foal out of 2017 GII Raven Run S. winner Miss Sunset (Into Mischief), for \$500,000.

“We just fell in love with him,” recalled Michael Levinson, the racing manager and one of the four partners that make up L and N Racing. “He was probably an inch or two on the shorter side, but we thought if he grows up a little bit, he had the scope and he looked fast. Obviously all those things kind of worked out, but you didn’t know at the time that the **Quality Road** out of an Into Mischief mare who had won as a sprinter was going to be able to go two turns and do it pretty easily.”

Not only has he done it easily, but he’s done it impressively enough to be the 3-1 morning-line favorite going into this weekend’s GII Louisiana Derby. Trained by Steve Asmussen, two-time stakes winner Track Phantom is coming in off a narrow runner-up performance to **Sierra Leone** (**Gun Runner**) in the GII Risen Star S. **Cont. p3**

PLAN FOR NEW CHICAGO TRACK FORGING AHEAD DESPITE BIG DIFFERENCES IN GAMING LAW INTERPRETATIONS

by T.D. Thornton

An Illinois businessman with a background in both real estate development and racehorses is actively putting together an investment team to build a new \$180-million Thoroughbred racino about 35 miles south of Chicago. But even a year before the first shovels might break ground, controversy is swirling because of different interpretations of the enabling gaming law that is a linchpin for the project to proceed.

Ronald Aswumb, 68, who has owned and bred Thoroughbreds and also worked as a bloodstock consultant alongside his family’s chief business of building malls and condominiums, told *TDN* in a Mar. 22 phone interview that he is 18 months into the planning process for bringing to life a track that he envisions as Lincoln Land Downs in a village called Richton Park. **Cont. p6**

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GODOLPHIN RUNNERS TO BE SOLD AT ERA RACING IN DUBAI SALE

The 48-lot Emirates Racing Authority (ERA) Racing in Dubai Sale will take place on Tuesday, Mar. 26. Adam Houghton has the preview.

“Based on what I saw at the OBS sale, my pick for leading freshman sire would be **TIZ THE LAW**. They breezed well enough as a group and I thought they all had a lot of race-horse characteristics to them. Horses can breeze fast, but you still have to ask yourself the question, are they going to go on to be good race horses? They had that look to me.”



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GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks morning-line favorite Endlessly (Oscar Performance) schools in the paddock at Turfway Park on Friday. | Coady Photography

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Track Phantom cont.

The speed-centric sophomore has drawn the widest post in Saturday's contest as 12 colts vie for points on the road to the GI Kentucky Derby.

The L and N Racing partnership--which is comprised of Levinson, his father Lee, his brother Andy and their family friend Don Nelson--has made the trip for Track Phantom's last two races at Fair Grounds and the Tulsa-based group will be on hand once again for Saturday's contest.

"Everybody is really excited," Levinson said. "We think we have a legit Derby contender. Obviously that could change Saturday, but we're confident he's going to run. Steve just sent me a video of him [Thursday] morning and he looks fantastic." Levinson said that what has impressed him most about the flashy bay's career thus far is how he seems to improve in each of his starts.

Track Phantom was third in his debut last October at Churchill Downs and then a close second to fellow Louisiana Derby entrant **Real Men Violin** (**Mendelssohn**) a few weeks later. He took control early and won going away in his first try going two turns on Nov 25. From there it was on to the Fair Grounds, where he reeled off front-running wins in the **Gun Runner** S. and GIII Lecomte S.



Track Phantom battles Sierra Leone in the GII Risen Star

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His biggest competition came over a sloppy track in the GII Risen Star, where he again took the lead early but was nailed in the final strides by Sierra Leone, the \$2.3 million Chad Brown trainee owned by the partnership of Coolmore, Brook Smith and Peter Brant.

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Track Phantom cont.

Levinson didn't mind running second. He knew the track conditions were working against his colt.

"I was at the races all day and was noticing just how sticky the track had gotten," he recalled. "From even two races before ours until the time of our race, the sun had gone down, it was cold, and I think the track was just really heavy. Everybody is saying the pace was slow, but I just think that track had gotten really, really slow there at the end. I think in the last six races, they all came from the back. But Track Phantom got out in front and he almost held on to win and got run down by the Derby favorite. That's nothing to be upset about. You want to win, but I thought his run was brilliant."

Levinson added that he believes Track Phantom's front-running style sets him apart from many of the top colts pointing for the first Saturday in May.

"I think he's a special horse this year with the fact that if you look at a lot of the contenders, they all want to run from off the pace," he explained. "He's really one of the only speed horses. Steve has always really liked this colt and he just seems to get better each race. The plan is to win the Louisiana Derby and then take a shot at the Kentucky Derby."

L and N Racing has been to the Derby once before. In an instance of what some would call beginner's luck, Lookin at Lee (Lookin at Lucky) was the first horse their operation bought at public auction and he not only got to the Kentucky Derby in 2017, but overcame the dreaded one hole and put in a strong runner-up performance to **Always Dreaming**.

Seven years later, the partners in L and N Racing are far from amateur owners and they've had their share of bad luck as they now hope to get to their second Kentucky Derby. They understand not only how difficult it can be to find that Grade I-level horse, but also how quickly those dreams can come crashing down.

It was only a month ago that they lost their stable star Echo Zulu (**Gun Runner**). Campaigned in partnership with Winchell Thoroughbreds, the 2021 champion 2-year-old filly and four-time Grade I winner was training up for the Breeders' Cup last fall at Santa Anita when she suffered two broken left front sesamoids. Three months later, the talented 5-year-old sustained an injury in her stall and was euthanized.

"She is everything to us," Levinson reflected. "I mean, she was a brilliant filly. I have a wall in my office of all of her graded stakes wins and those will be left up for as long as I'm alive. She deserved a better ending. It's just so tough and it's hard to put into words."

Echo Zulu has left a lasting impact on every aspect of L and N Racing's operation, even when it comes to their buying strategies at the sale. **Cont. p5**

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Track Phantom cont.

“We're up to about 50-50 between colts and fillies now,” Levinson reported. “God rest her soul, Echo Zulu made us more comfortable with the fillies and honestly she's probably the reason that we have Track Phantom right now. She was one of those horses that gives you the confidence to go out and make a financial risk on a horse like Track Phantom and some of the other ones we've bought.”

A growing number of partnerships is another aspect of L and N's strategy that has changed in recent years so that they can increase their budget at the sales.



Levinson leads future champion Echo Zulu into the winner's circle after her 2021 GI Spinaway S. victory | Sarah Andrew

“We'd rather buy quality over quantity at this point, so we're trying to limit what we're buying,” Levinson explained. “We really like to focus on pedigrees at the sale, buying graded stakes-type horses and if we happen to ever get lucky with one of them, hopefully they can make a stallion.”

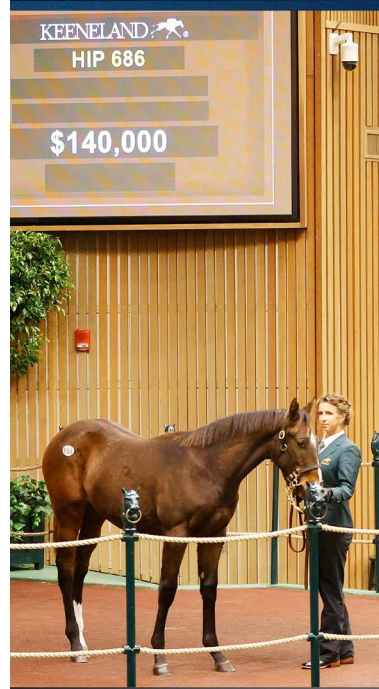
At last year's Keeneland September Sale, L and N Racing came home with four yearlings, including a \$500,000 Into Mischief half-brother to MSW Mr. Buff (Friend Or Foe). The Authentic filly who was the least expensive purchase among the quartet--bought for \$300,000--recently received a big pedigree update when her brother **Newgate** (Into Mischief) won the GI Santa Anita H.

Hot Springs native and successful Oaklawn-based owner Jerry Caroom is a partner on that Authentic filly and is also in on Track Phantom. Track Phantom's ownership group also includes Clark Brewster, another Levinson family friend from Tulsa, and the colt's breeder, Breeze Easy LLC.

“The ownership group is a lot of fun,” said Levinson. “We're very close to all these people and we'd just love to see everybody at the Derby for the first Saturday in May and get to take a shot and see if we could win it.” **Cont. p6**

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"We love the animals and we love everything about this sport, but it's a game where if you're not prepared for disappointment, you shouldn't be in it," he said. "If you win one out of every ten times, you're doing okay. It's that 10 or 15% of the time when you do win that keeps you coming back."

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Lincoln Land Downs cont. from p1

"With the closing of Arlington we felt there was quite a void in the Chicago market for horse racing, and actually in the whole state," Aswumb said. "We've looked at different potential properties all throughout the state. It is an ambitious project, and it's important that we keep it to scale."



The potential future home of Lincoln Land Downs
Courtesy Ron Aswumb

The project does not yet have the public support of the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (ITHA) because of the varying interpretations of the law.

"Let's not forget that this is Illinois. And anything relative to horse racing in Illinois is complicated and cumbersome," David McCaffrey, the executive director of the ITHA, told *TDN*.

"A new racino in Richton Park is living up to those past performances," McCaffrey added.

A spokesperson for Hawthorne Race Course, the Chicago area's only remaining Thoroughbred track, responded to a request for comment with an email that stated, "This idea is so speculative that anyone actually involved in the ongoing operations of Illinois horseracing, or who is truly interested in its future, should not take it seriously."

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McCaffrey explained the ITHA's understanding of the law this way: "The statute, as it stands now, only allows for a Standardbred track. So on the part of building a new racetrack and racino, he's within the law to do so. But two things need to happen: one, they need to have permission from Hawthorne, because it's within 35 miles of Hawthorne. And two, it has to be a Standardbred track. There's been some very cursory talk about another Thoroughbred outlet somewhere, but relative to that being at Lincoln Land any time soon I think is putting the cart way before the horse."

Aswumb chalked up the views of the ITHA and Hawthorne as being based on "misinformation." He added that his legal team has confirmed for him that Hawthorne's 35-mile veto power applies only to a Standardbred--and not a Thoroughbred--racino, and that he believes his racino application will be lawful based on Section 56 of the Illinois Horse Racing Act and Section 7.7 of the Illinois Gambling Act passed in 2019.

"The law is actually very clear. It states that anyone that has operating control of a racetrack anywhere in the state of Illinois may apply for a casino license," Aswumb said. **Cont. p7**



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Lincoln Land Downs cont.

"We've spent the last six months confirming that with the Illinois Gaming Board [IGB], and they're the only ones whose opinion really matters," Aswumb said. "We met with the executive director and the general counsel two weeks ago, and they said if we had operating control of a racetrack and had received a racing license for dates, that we would meet the standard to apply for a casino license. I've been telling the horsemen that for six months, but you can't convince anybody, I guess."

The location Aswumb has settled on would fit a 7- to 7.5-furlong main dirt track with a turf course inside of it. A temporary casino would go up first, to be eventually replaced by a larger, more permanent version, with the eventual possibility of building out a 100-room hotel and entertainment space.

"Our location is right off Interstate 57, which is a very highly trafficked area, and even though it's suburban, it's kind of a rural setting," Aswumb said. "It's real pastoral. We have 140 acres that we're planning on building on. It's beautiful. It overlooks about a thousand acres of farmland. We have an option [to buy] it, and actually have the ability to get more land. There's a lot there."

Aswumb said he is not yet ready to divulge full details about his investment partners because the deal is still a work in progress.

"We're in the financing process. It's still a little proprietary," Aswumb said. "I can't tell you exactly the names behind it, but there are several large gaming companies that really want to diversify in the Chicago market. And we've also been working with a company in Kentucky that is involved in racing. I'm hoping in the next 60 days we'll fully list who our partners are."

"The timeline is we're putting the financing process together and finalizing the group," Aswumb said. "We have to apply by July 31 with the Illinois Racing Board (IRB) to receive any dates in 2025. There's no plan to have any extensive racing in 2025. It would more likely be to get the track ready to have a couple of days of racing toward the end of the year just to establish the racing license, because we have to establish the racing license to go before the gaming board to get the casino license. Hopefully, we'd start construction on the track early next year when the weather breaks."

Originally, Aswumb said, his intent was to build a harness racino, and he was aware that Hawthorne had veto power over that plan.

"They declined to give us written consent, which is their legal right to do. So we started looking at other ways to get this going, and there's nothing stopping us from doing a Thoroughbred track. The statute only applies to a Standardbred track, and obviously, we've confirmed that with [the IRB and IGB]," Aswumb said.

"There's kind of been disinformation the last few years that only the existing racetracks could get a casino license," Aswumb continued. "The project is, of course, dependent on that. You need that alternative source of revenue to make the business model work. There's no guarantee you're going to get the license--you still have to go through all the [state vetting process]. But we have been told that we would be able to apply for that, and that was the big hurdle that we needed to clear to make the project go."

Obtaining the temporary casino license is crucial, Aswumb said.

"We would like to do a temporary casino, which you are allowed to have for three years. The plan would be maybe to have 400-500 gaming positions in a temporary facility to get revenue coming in. It's very attractive to investors if you can get revenue coming in early like that. And then the process would be to have the permanent casino in approximately 2028 to 2029," Aswumb said.

Aswumb said he wants to buck the industry trend of existing racinos that focus on gaming first and horses second. He wants it the other way around.

"We don't have quite enough room to do a mile dirt track, but we do have a lot of room for a really nice backstretch. We're going to have state-of-the-art barns, and an equine aquatics center and backstretch housing. I personally feel that horses are in their stalls too much, and we want trainers to be able to get them out exercised at all times of the day."

Aswumb said he's even talked to the Chicago Bears football team, which owns the defunct Arlington International Racecourse, about relocating the sod from the old grass course to Lincoln Land Downs.

"They still have been maintaining the turf course there beautifully, and they've been very open to that idea, but we're still in the testing phase to see if it would transfer properly," Aswumb said.

Aswumb admitted that he has had zero talks with Hawthorne about forming a Thoroughbred circuit. Nor is he even close to negotiating a contract with the ITHA.

"I wouldn't say [Hawthorne would be] very supportive of us, really," Aswumb said. "I have talked to the horsemen. They've been supportive but weary, like 'We've heard this before' kind of thing."

Asked what type of racing season and purse structure he envisioned, Aswumb put it this way:

"Obviously we would like some summer dates if we have a turf course. We'd like to be able to get to like \$250,000 at least in daily purses. So you could do maybe 75 to 80 dates a year, maybe race three days a week six months out of the year."

Lincoln Land Downs cont.

"The projections are we can do \$100 million a year in adjusted gross revenue when we have the full casino, and approximately 13% of that goes toward purses," Aswumb said. "When you combine that with off-track-betting parlors [and their] projected handle, we think we could get to \$15 to \$20 million in purses a year. And if we could do that, I think the horsemen would be happy."

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ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY HEATS UP WITH SATURDAY'S LOUISIANA DERBY AND JEFF RUBY STEAKS



Endlessly, the 5-2 morning-line favorite and horse to beat in the Jeff Ruby Steaks | Benoit

The road to the GI Kentucky Derby kicks into high gear with Saturday's GII TwinSpires.com Louisiana Derby at Fair Grounds and GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks at Turfway Park.

Over the next three weekends, there will be eight "Championship Series" races that will award Derby points to the top five finishers on a 100-50-25-15-10 scale.

Drawn widest of all in post 12, GIII Lecomte S. Jan. 20 winner and GII Risen Star S. Feb. 17 runner-up **Track Phantom (Quality Road)** looks like the one to catch in the Louisiana Derby. Hall of Famer Steve Asmussen will also saddle \$1.4-million Fasig-Tipton Saratoga graduate and **'TDN Rising Star' Hall of Fame (Gun Runner)**, who disappointed in seventh over the sloppy going in the Risen Star.

"I generally believe for 3-year-olds, your last race is not good enough for your next one to be," Asmussen said. "That's the way it ought to be. (Track Phantom) is a wonderful horse. I'm very fortunate to have him here at Fair Grounds for the 3-year-old series. He has run extremely well in the three prior races here at

Fair Grounds. Hopefully, we can get him in the winner's circle again Saturday."

'TDN Rising Star' Agate Road (Quality Road), winner of last term's grassy GII Pilgrim S. and a rallying second in the GIII Sam F. Davis S. at Tampa Bay Feb. 10, opts for this spot over the Jeff Ruby Steaks. Hall of Famer Todd Pletcher will also be represented by **Antiquarian (Preservationist)**, a local maiden winner at second asking over promising next-out winner Cornishman (**Curlin**) Feb. 17.

The field for the Louisiana Derby also includes: the Brad Cox-trained Smarty Jones S. Jan. 1 winner and Risen Star third **Catching Freedom (Constitution)**; longshot GII Rebel S. Feb. 24 runner-up **Common Defense (Karakontie {Jpn})**; and **'TDN Rising Star' Tuscan Gold (Medaglia d'Oro)**, a runaway maiden winner for Chad Brown at second asking at Gulfstream Jan. 31.


Endlessly (Oscar Performance), the 5-2 morning-line favorite and horse to beat in the Jeff Ruby Steaks, was a good-looking winner of the El Camino Real Derby over the Golden Gate all-weather Feb. 10. A two-time graded winner on grass in Southern California last year, Endlessly was eighth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf at Santa Anita Nov. 3.

"We tried to give him a short break after the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf, but he's a feel-good type of horse," trainer Michael McCarthy said. "He likes to train and we were able to get him back slowly after that race to the El Camino Real Derby."

The loaded 12-race Louisiana Derby card also includes: the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, headed by GII Rachel Alexandra S. Feb. 17 one-two **'TDN Rising Star' Tarifa (Bernardini)** and **Intricate (Gun Runner)** and the two-for-two **Our Pretty Woman (Medaglia d'Oro)**; and the GII New Orleans Classic S. and GII Muniz Memorial Classic S.

Saturday's graded action is rounded out by the GIII Essex H. at Oaklawn Park, the GIII TwinSpires Kentucky Cup Classic S. at Turfway and the GIII San Luis Rey S. at Santa Anita.

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HADES, FIERCENESS WORK TOWARDS CURLIN FLORIDA DERBY



Hades | Ryan Thompson

D J Stable and Robert Cotran's GIII Holy Bull S. winner **Hades** (Awesome Slew) worked a half-mile in an easy :50.21 over the Gulfstream Park main track Friday morning, his final serious gallop ahead of next Saturday's \$1-million GI **Curlin** Florida Derby.

A perfect three-for-three in his career, Hades was scheduled to breeze Saturday, but forecast heavy rains led trainer Joe Orseno to call an audible and work the gelding 24 hours earlier.

"He has exceeded my expectations," Orseno said, "even with today's last breeze going into the Florida Derby. He did everything perfect. He just handles himself very professional. He gets things easily where other horses struggle."

Eclipse Award-winning 'TDN Rising Star' **Fierceness** (**City of Light**) will try to atone for his third-place effort in the Holy Bull when he lines up next weekend, and the Todd Pletcher trainee went four furlongs in :47.43 at Palm Beach Downs Friday morning. He galloped out an extra eighth of a mile in 1:00.63. Hall of Fame jockey John Velazquez was in the irons for the move.

"It went very well, he looked great," Pletcher commented.

Trainer Gustavo Delgado took to X Friday afternoon to report that **Victory Avenue** (Arrogate), a big-figure runner-up on his lone racetrack appearance Jan. 27, would be passing the Florida Derby.

"For clarity, we have decided not to pursue a Florida Derby entry with Victory Avenue," Delgado posted. "Being a very talented son of Arrogate, at this moment we feel that time and patience to let him grow up physically + mentally is the best plan. Plenty of goals for him to achieve down the line."

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2024 SARATOGA MEET OFFERS 71 STAKES WORTH \$20.75 MILLION



Saratoga Race Course | Sarah Andrew

Highlighted by the 155th GI Travers S. Aug. 24 and the GI Whitney S. Aug. 3, the 40-day Saratoga meet features 19 Grade I races as part of 71 stakes worth \$20.75 million in total purses, the New York Racing Association said concerning the release of the schedule on Friday.

Following the four-day opening week, which starts on Thursday, July 11, racing will be conducted five days a week, Wednesdays through Sundays, apart from closing week, when the 2024 summer meet will conclude on Monday, Sept. 2.

Saratoga Live, the television show produced by NYRA in partnership with FOX Sports, will return for its ninth season to provide daily coverage of the summer meet to a nationwide audience on the networks of FOX Sports.

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DELAWARE PARK AND THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION SIGN CONTRACT

On Mar. 19, Delaware Park and the Delaware Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (DTHA) signed a three-year contract, which includes an agreement for year-round stabling and training, the track said in a release Friday morning.

The year-round stall application, and related fee schedule, will be released later this summer. Opening day for the upcoming 87th live racing season is May 15 with racing on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. **Cont. p10**

Delaware cont.

The 75-day meet is scheduled to conclude Oct. 12.

“I am pleased to announce this multi-year contract,” said Delaware Park Chief Financial Officer Kevin DeLucia. “We have worked hard to provide safe and exciting racing in the highly competitive Mid-Atlantic region and this contract ensures we will continue to attract quality horses and stables to Delaware.”

“Delaware Park’s commitment to provide year-round stabling and training again has been very well received by our horsemen,” said DTHA President Tim Ritchey.

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FTHA ANNOUNCES BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

Officials at the Florida Thoroughbred Horsemen’s Association have announced the results of the Board of Directors election, which were finalized Mar. 14. Elections are held annually, and the term of all Directors is three years. The Board is elected by the Association members via secret ballot.

A Board of no fewer than 11 and no more than 15 Directors supervises the FTTHA and each year, five positions are filled on a rotating basis. For 2024, Incumbent Owner/Directors Chester Bishop, Jonathan Green, and Teresa Palmer were re-elected. Incumbent Trainer/Director Ron Spatz was re-elected, and new to the Board is Owner/Director Robert Cotran.

“I was honored to be elected to the Board. I am aware of some of the obstacles that racing is facing in the future,” said new member Robert Cotran. “My goal is to work with our horsemen’s group in dealing with these obstacles--all for the betterment of racing--which is everyone’s goal.”

Joe Orseno was elected unanimously for his third term as FTTHA President. Jon Green was appointed as First Vice President and David Rousso as Second Vice President. The new board will take office effective immediately.

Owner/Directors include: Gerardo Amado, Chester Bishop, Thomas Cannell, Robert Cotran, Jonathan Green, Adam Lazarus, Teresa Palmer, David Rousso and Jeffrey Siskin. Trainer/ Directors are: Patrick Biancone, Kathy Davey, David Fawkes, Joe Orseno, Terri Pompay and Ron Spatz.

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Saturday, Fair Grounds #12, post time: 6:42 p.m. EDT

TWINSPIRES.COM LOUISIANA DERBY-GII, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 3/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Triple Espresso 🍀	Omaha Beach	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Saez	122
2	Hall of Fame	Gun Runner	Mrs John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, Derrick Smith, Asmussen Westerberg, Gandharvi LLC and Brook T. Smith		Santana, Jr.	122
3	Antiquarian 🍀	Preservationist	Centennial Farms	Pletcher	Velazquez	122
4	Agate Road 🍀	Quality Road	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	122
5	Catching Freedom 🍀	Constitution	Albaugh Family Stables LLC	Cox	Prat	122
6	Awesome Ruta	Mendelssohn	Tri-Star Racing, LLC and Cimarron TTT Farms LLC	Foster	Murrill	122
7	Honor Marie 🍀	Honor Code	Ribble Farms LLC, Michael H. Eiserman, Earl Silver, Kenneth E. and Daniel Fishbein	Beckman	Curtis	122
8	Next Level 🍀	Vino Rosso	Don't Tell My Wife Stables	Desormeaux	Riquelme	122
9	Real Men Violin 🍀	Mendelssohn	Tilted Shamrock Stables	McPeek	Lanerie	122
10	Common Defense 🍀	Karakontie (Jpn)	David A. Bernsen LLC, Tony Holmes, Michael Holmes, and Norevale Farm	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	122
11	Tuscan Gold 🍀	Medaglia d'Oro	William Lawrence, Walmac Farm and Stonestreet	Brown	Gaffalione	122
12	Track Phantom 🍀	Quality Road	L and N Racing LLC, Clark Brewster, Jerry Caroom and Breeze Easy, LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	122

Breeders: 1-Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables, 2-Earle I. Mack LLC, 3-Brereton C. Jones, 4-CHC, Inc., 5-WinStar Farm, LLC, 6-Brian Levings, 7-Royce Pulliam, 8-White Fox Farm, 9-Newtown Anner Stud, 10-Tony Holmes, Norevale Farm & Union Dale, 11-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 12-Breeze Easy, LLC

Saturday, Fair Grounds #9, post time: 5:04 p.m. EDT

NEW ORLEANS CLASSIC S. PRESENTED BY RELYNE GI BY HAGYARD-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Red Route One	Gun Runner	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Rosario	118
2	Gasoline	Curlin	Harrell Ventures, LLC and CHC INC.	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
3	Touchuponastar	Star Guitar	Set-Hut LLC	Delhomme	Thornton	122
4	Black Belt	Not This Time	EKB Stables LLC and P&L Thoroughbred Racing	Walder	Hernandez, Jr.	118
5	Money Supply 🍀	Practical Joke	Jordan V. Wycoff	Sharp	Gaffalione	122
6	Happy American 🍀	Runhappy	Neil L. Pessin	Pessin	Lanerie	118
7	Super Corinto (Arg)	Super Saver	Jet Set Racing Stable	Correas, IV	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	Velocitor	Mor Spirit	Ulwelling, Al and Bill	Scherer	Cohen	118
9	Best Actor 🍀	Flatter	Steve Moger	Cox	Prat	120
10	Lure Him In	Khozan	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Double B Racing Stables, Paul Braverman, Timothy Pinch and Mach 1Stables	Joseph, Jr.	Gonzalez	122

Breeders: 1-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 2-China Horse Club International, LTD., 3-Coteau Grove Farms, 4-Springland Farm & Duncan Taylor, 5-Jeff Little, Teresa Little, Marilyn Little & William Lynn, 6-Claiborne Farm, 7-Firmamento, 8-Al Ulwelling & Bill Ulwelling, 9-E. H. Beau Lane, Gail McMichael Lane, J. B. Lane Orem & Michael Orem, 10-Stonehedge LLC



Saturday, Fair Grounds #11, post time: 6:08 p.m. EDT

FAIR GROUNDS OAKS PRESENTED BY FASIG-TIPTON-GII, \$400,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	V V's Dream 🌿	Mitole	MJM Racing and Magdalena Racing	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	122
2	Midsummer March 🌿	Mendelssohn	Walking L Thoroughbreds, LLC	McPeek	Gutierrez	122
3	Alpine Princess 🌿	Classic Empire	Full of Run Racing II, LLC and Madaket Stables LLC	Cox	Geroux	122
4	Lucy Got Game 🌿	Vino Rosso	Gregory Tramontin	Amoss	Morales	122
5	Tarifa	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Prat	122
6	Intricate 🌿	Gun Runner	Bradley Thoroughbreds, Laura Leigh Stable, Scott Estes and Cambron Equine, LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	122
7	Our Pretty Woman 🌿	Medaglia d'Oro	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Rosario	122
8	Accommodate Eva 🌿	Munnings	Valene Farms LLC	Stewart	Lanerie	122

Breeders: 1-Mark Stansell, 2-Mountmellick Farm, LLC, 3-Betz/DJ Stables/Peter V.Lamantia/Classic Empire Syndicate, 4-Milfer Farm Inc., 5-Godolphin, 6-LBD Stable, LLC, 7-Woods Edge Farm, LLC & Godolphin, 8-Brad King & Todd Fincher

Saturday, Fair Grounds #10, post time: 5:36 p.m. EDT

MUNIZ MEMORIAL CLASSIC S. PRESENTED BY HORSE RACING NATION-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Adhamo (Ire)	Intello (Ger)	Michael Dubb, Madaket Stables & Louis Lazzinnaro	Brown	Gaffalione	118
2	Strong Quality	Quality Road	Gary Barber and Kinsman Stable	Casse	Velazquez	122
3	Webslinger 🌿	Constitution	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Prat	118
4	Beatbox 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Rob Comestro and Jeff Ganje	DeVaux	Rosario	122
5	Irish Aces 🌿	Mshawish	Pocket Aces Racing LLC	Walsh	Hernandez, Jr.	120
6	Palazzi 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Gary Barber	Casse	Loveberry	118
7	Gigante 🌿	Not This Time	Diamond T Racing LLC and Iapetus Racing LLC	Asmussen	Morales	122
8	Point Proven 🌿	Gun Runner	Norman C. Miller IV	Cohn	Lanerie	118
9	Johny's Fireball 🌿	Tonalist	AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC, D C Racing and Brilliant Racing, LLC	Casse	Santana, Jr.	120
10	Rising Empire 🌿	Empire Maker	Russell Welch and Ran M. Leonard	Walsh	Graham	118
11	Risk Manager	Lookin At Lucky	Case Chambers	Maker	Gutierrez	118
12	Woods N Water	Palace	Painter, Richard and Dewberry Farm	Thomas	Green	118
13	I'm Very Busy	Cloud Computing	Team Hanley, R. Schermerhorn & P Braverman	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	120

Breeders: 1-Wertheimer et Frere, 2-Kinsman Farm, 3-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 4-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 5-Lynch Bages LTD, 6-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC & Pioneerof the Nile Syndicate, 7-Ann Mudge Backer & Smitten Farm, 8-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 9-R. S. Evans, 10-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD., 11-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 12-Orange Grove Thoroughbreds, Inc. & Richard Painter, 13-Glenn E. Brok LLC & Mark Toothaker

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Freedom Principle 🦄	Flameaway	Echo Papa Racing Corp.	Garoffalo	Beschizza	123
2	Dancing Groom 🦄	Vino Rosso	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Dettori	123
3	Lucky Jeremy 🦄	Lookin At Lucky	Jeremy Ramsland	Morey	Corrales	123
4	Noted 🦄	Cairo Prince	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Saez	123
5	Agate Road 🦄	Quality Road	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz	123
6	Northern Flame	Flameaway	Jack Oxley, Harold Lerner LLC, AWC Stables and Magdalena Racing	McPeck	Leparoux	123
7	Woodcourt 🦄	Ransom the Moon	Contreras Stable Inc.	Contreras	Machado	123
8	Otello	Curlin	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Clement	Castellano	123
9	Seize the Grey	Arrogate	MyRacehorse	Lukas	Juarez	123
10	Endlessly	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	123
11	Baytown Chatterbox 🦄	Street Sense	Baytown Partnership and Resolute Racing Alliance	McEntee	Jimenez	123
12	West Saratoga 🦄	Exaggerator	Harry L. Veruchi	Demeritte	Castanon	123
13	Circle P 🦄	Speightster	DeSales 85 LLC	Stites	Conner	123
14	Triple Espresso 🦄	Omaha Beach	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz	123

Breeders: 1-Lantern Hill Farm LLC, 2-Don Alberto Corporation, 3-Mr. & Mrs. Craig L Minten, 4-Brereton C. Jones, 5-CHC, Inc., 6-Debby M Oxley, 7-Michelle Lovell, 8-Siena Farms LLC, 9-Jamm, LTD., 10-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 11-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 12-Two Hearts Farm II LLC, 13-Marathon Farms, Inc., 14-Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables

Saturday, Oaklawn #9, post time: 5:55 p.m. EDT**ESSEX H.-GIII, \$600,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ain't Life Grand	Not This Time	RPM Thoroughbreds	Von Hemel	Garcia	117
2	Lure Him In	Khozan	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Double B Racing Stables, Braverman, Paul, Pinch, Timothy & Mach 1 Stables	Joseph, Jr.	Gonzalez	118
3	Wizard of Westwood 🦄	Tu Brutus (Chi)	Warren, Andrew N. and Warren, Rania	McCarthy	Vazquez	117
4	Great Escape 🦄	Midnight Storm	Bennewith, Arnold, Wiest, Rick, Clayton & Lana, Howg, R, R6 Stables, Kropp, Gary & Tremblay, N	Diodoro	Hernandez	118
5	Magic Tap 🦄	Tapit	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Asmussen	118
6	War Campaign	Declaration of War	Jerry Namy	Sims	Esquivel	119
7	Time for Trouble 🦄	English Channel	Thorndale Stable LLC and Hiles, Jeff A.	Hiles	Bejarano	117
8	Seize the Night 🦄	Carpe Diem	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Milligan, Jr.	Torres	118
9	First Mission	Street Sense	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Geroux	121

Breeders: 1-RPM Thoroughbreds, 2-Stonehedge LLC, 3-Pope McLean, 4-Usquebaugh Stables, LLC, 5-Don Alberto Corporation, 6-Jerry Namy, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Cove Springs Farm LLC, 9-Godolphin



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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Surly Furious	Upstart	Novogratz Racing Stables Inc.	Wismer	Cedillo	124
2	Verstappen 🌿	War Front	Andrew Farm, For the People Racing Stable LLC and Debra L. O'Connor	Walsh	Cannon	120
3	Wolfie's Dynaghost	Ghostzapper	Woodslane Farm	Thomas	Ortiz	120
4	Harlan Estate 🌿	Kantharos	Graham Grace Stable	Beckman	Loveberry	120
5	Cellist	Big Blue Kitten	Calumet Farm	Arnold, II	Saez	120
6	Wentru 🌿	Tourist	Frank Taylor, BlackRidge Stables, Deters Company, James B. Keogh and Michael McCabe	Walden	Concepcion	120
7	Curlin's Malibu 🌿	Curlin	William Earl Atkins	Atkins	Lagunes	120
8	Atone	Into Mischief	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Castellano	120
9	Tio Magico	Uncle Mo	Agave Racing Stable and Sam-Son Farm	D'Amato	Machado	120
10	County Final 🌿	Oxbow	Ken Copenhaver	Joseph, Jr.	Dettori	120
11	Kitodan 🌿	Point of Entry	Foster Family Racing, Douglas Miller & W. Wargel	Foster	Rodriguez	120
12	Funtastic Again 🌿	Funtastic	Three Chimneys Farm	Ward	Corrales	120

Breeders: 1-Brereton C. Jones, 2-Frank Hutchinson, 3-Woodslane Farm, 4-Tall Oaks Farm, 5-Calumet Farm, 6-Don Alberto Corporation, 7-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 8-Godolphin, 9-Sam-Son Farm, 10-Calumet Farm, 11-Flaxman Holdings Limited, 12-BHMFR, LLC

Saturday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT**SAN LUIS REY S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Resultant 🌿	Frosted	H and E Ranch, Inc.	Hanson	Gonzalez	120
2	Offlee Naughty	Flashback	Daniell, James M. and Daniell, Donna	McCarthy	Hernandez	124
3	Balladeer	Distorted Humor	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C.	Papaprodromou	Espinoza	124
4	Missed the Cut 🌿	Quality Road	Bee Zee LLC, Lanes End Racing, St. Elias Stables, LLC, Babington, Edward P., Hudson, Jr., Edward J. and Hudson, Lynne	Sadler	Fresu	124
5	Planetario (Brz)	Il Doge (Brz)	Red Rafa Stud, Inc	Mandella	Berrios	124

Breeders: 1-Sandra Sexton, 2-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 3-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC, 4-Framont LTD, 5-Stud Red Rafa

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Saturday, Turfway, post time: 5:43 p.m. EDT

BOURBONETTE OAKS, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Alpine Princess	Classic Empire	Full of Run Racing II, LLC and Madaket Stables LLC	Cox	Saez	124
2	Winnable	Justify	Stoneleigh Farm	McPeek	Hernandez	118
3	Saratoga Secret	Arrogate	BC Stables, LLC	Lukas	Juarez	118
4	Maxisuperfly	Optimizer	Maxis Stable, Foster Family Racing and Chris Vitale	Foster	Rodriguez	124
5	Movin' On Up	Accelerate	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Beschizza	120
6	Band of Gold	Preservationist	Dixiana Farms LLC	McPeek	Leparoux	124
7	Trial	Runhappy	Adele B. Dilschneider, and Dell Hancock	Drury, Jr.	Machado	118
8	Pink Polkadots	Candy Ride (Arg)	Carl R. Moore Management LLC	Sharp	Torres	118
9	Youknownothing	Candy Ride (Arg)	Robert S. Evans	Clement	Castellano	118
10	Everland	Arrogate	Foster Family Racing, William J. Wargel, R.K. Eckrich Racing, LLC and Maxis Stable	Foster	Cedillo	118

Breeders: 1-Betz/DJ Stables/Peter V.Lamantia/Classic Empire Syndicate, 2-Stoneleigh Farm, 3-Mulholland Springs, LLC & Roger & MaryA. Pardieck, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Estate Of Harvey A. Clarke, 6-Brereton C. Jones, 7-Dell Hancock & Adele B. Dilschneider, 8-John Gardiner, 9-2500 Determined Stud, 10-George Strawbridge Jr.

Saturday, Turfway, post time: 3:43 p.m. EDT

ANIMAL KINGDOM S., \$250,000, 3yo, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cool in Blue	Tamarkuz	Kathy Wallace and Carl L. Hess, Jr..	Brooks	Conner	118
2	Smokey Smokey	Mendelssohn	Pura Vida Investments LLC	Maker	Saez	118
3	Vinsanity	Tapiture	Vincent Conanan	Gardea	Rodriguez	118
4	Joe Shiesty	Air Force Blue	Foster Family Racing, Lonnie Reynolds, Vicki Mills and Donald Coomes	Foster	Cedillo	118
5	Tejon Pass	Justify	Williamson Racing LLC	Miller	Rispoli	118
6	Let's Go Mark	American Freedom	BSF Equine Athlete LLC	Ennis	Concepcion	118
7	Valentine Candy	Justify	L. William & Corinne Heiligbrodt, Jackpot Farm Whispering Oaks Farm LLC and Coteau Grove Farms LLC	Asmussen	Dettori	122
8	Vote No	Divisidero	Joseph P. Morey, Jr.	Morey	Corrales	122
9	Okiro	Yoshida (Jpn)	Yutaka Enterprises Corp.	Garoffalo	Leparoux	118
10	Shards	Bucchero	Crown's Way Racing LLC, NBS Stable and Kevin Marko	Danner	Beschizza	118

Breeders: 1-Foundations Farm, 2-Sanford Robertson, 3-Hartwell Farm Inc., 4-Rodney E. Orr, 5-Williamson Racing, LLC, 6-Brereton C. Jones, 7-Pine Creek LP, 8-Mr. & Mrs. A. John Price, 9-Burleson Farm & McKenzie Bloodstock, 10-Craig L. Wheeler

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Saturday, Turfway, post time: 4:13 p.m. EDT

RUSHAWAY S., \$250,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mikealicious	Blame	Nice Guys Stables	Maker	Corrales	118
2	Blue Eyed George	Flameaway	BG Stables	McCarthy	Ortiz	118
3	Mugatu	Blofeld	Average Joe Racing Stables, Ltd. and Dan Wells	Engler	Talamo	118
4	Break Out	Good Samaritan	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Beschizza	118
5	Twirling Point	Twirling Candy	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Dettori	120
6	Tireless	Not This Time	St. Elias Stable, Repole Stable and LNJ Foxwoods	Pletcher	Saez	118
7	Trikari	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	Motion	Rispoli	118
8	Neat	Constitution	Red White and Blue Racing LLC	Atras	Castellano	124
9	Tennessee	Justify	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Cox	Machado	118
10	Le Gris	City of Light	Le Gris, LLC	Stall, Jr.	Loveberry	118
11	Two Ghosts	Ghostzapper	Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC	Beckman	Concepcion	124
12	Footprint	Dialed In	Greg McDonald	McPeck	Leparoux	118
13	Ode to Balius	American Freedom	Arnaldo Monge	Torres	Leon	118
14	Karlwithanarl	Klimt Savages Stable	Medina	Concepcion	118	

Breeders: 1-Jack Swain III, 2-Clear Creek Stud LLC, 3-JSM Equine, LLC, 4-Autry Lowry Jr., Big Aut Farms & Spruceton Farm, LLC, 5-George Strawbridge Jr., 6-LNJ Foxwoods, 7-Michael A Slezak & Amy Boll, 8-Hidden Brook Farm & Spruce Lane Farm, 9-Summer Wind Equine LLC, 10-White Birch Farm, Inc., 11-Ghostzapper Syndicate & Brushy HillEnterprises LLC, 12-Greg B. McDonald, 13-Modo Tesio Equine LLC, 14-Right on Renee Partners

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MILLION-DOLLAR GUN RUNNER COLT KICKS OFF LOUISIANA DERBY DAY

5th-FG, \$75K, MSW, 3yo, 6f, 3:00 p.m.

CORPORAL (**Gun Runner**) went the way of partners Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, Derrick Smith, Westerberg, John Oxley and Breeze Easy on a final bid of \$1.15-million at the 2022 Keeneland September Sale. His dam MSW/MGSP Kathballu (Bluegrass Cat) is a full-sister MGSW/GISP Kathmanblu, and this is also the family of \$1.15-million Stonestreet broodmare GISW Friendly Michelle (Artax). Corporal has flashed speed in the morning, firing bullets in three of his last four works and Flavien Prat takes the reins Saturday afternoon for trainer Brad Cox.

TJCIS PPS

4th-FG, \$75K, MSW, 3yo, f, 1mT, 2:30 p.m.

Mischief My Way (Into Mischief), the homebred half-sister to GISW Adare Manor (**Uncle Mo**), makes the races for Town and Country Racing and trainer Chris Block. In addition to her million-dollar earning half-sister, she is a daughter of GSW Brooklynsway, who herself RNA'd for \$1.2-million at last fall's FTKNOV sale. **TJCIS PPS**

6th-SA, \$65K, MSW, 3-5yo, f, 6f, 6:33 p.m.

The second-highest price at last year's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Sale, **In Theory** (**Mendelssohn**) was an \$800,000 buy for Speedway Stables **after breezing in :10.1**. Trainer Bob Baffert has lined up Juan Hernandez for a filly that fired a best-of-27 work two back, going five furlongs from the gate in :59 2/5 (1/27) Mar. 13. **TJCIS PPS**

2nd-TP, \$70K, MSW, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13 p.m.

Kicking off Jeff Ruby Steaks Day at Turfway is LNJ Foxwoods and NK Racing's **Sabatini** (**Uncle Mo**), a \$625,000 2-year-old purchase from the same Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Sale last year **after also working in :10.1**. The filly is out of a half-sister to champion 2-year-old and GI Kentucky Derby winner **Nyquist** (**Uncle Mo**). **TJCIS PPS**

4th-TP, \$70K, MSW, 3yo, 6f, 2:13 p.m.

Claiborne Farm and Adele Dilschneider homebred **Term** (**Medaglia d'Oro**) lines up inside for his debut. He is out of a full-sister to GISP Chide (**Blame**) and a half-sister to the dams of MGSW Elate (**Medaglia d'Oro**) and MGSW Tax (Arch). This is also the family of Claiborne stallion Flatter (A.P. Indy). **TJCIS PPS**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Sunland, \$37,300, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 3-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.42, ft, 2 lengths.

OLIVIA TWIST (f, 4, Mshawish--Twinkling, by War Chant)

returned off an eight-month layoff Friday and dropped out of stakes company for the first time since she routed an allowance race at Remington Park in late 2022 by 15 lengths. Last year's GIII Fantasy S. third was briefly outsprinted by Staci's Red Dress (**Maclean's Music**) but was intent on the lead and had to wrestle with that rival past the quarter pole. **Cont.**

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She pulled away late to win by two lengths. Twinkling has already produced a pair of successful runners in Skippy Longstocking (Exaggerator), MGSW & MGISP, \$1,654,185 and Moonlite Strike (**Liam's Map**), SW & GSP, \$175,205. Her **Maclean's Music** 2-year-old went for \$275,000 at FTSAUG last year and she produced a yearling Authentic filly before visiting **Not This Time** for 2024. Sales History: \$20,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$230,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 9-4-0-1, \$199,829. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Brad King, Randy Andrews, G. Chris Coleman, Jim Cone, Suzanne Kirby and Lee Lewis; B-Brushy Hill, LLC (KY); T-Todd W. Fincher.



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Oaklawn, \$115,000, Msw, 3-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:44.47, sy, 5 lengths.

ROSE PARADE (f, 4, **Curlin--Rose Garden, by Pioneer of the Nile)** just got caught Mar. 2 in her debut to lose by a head against \$100,000 maiden claimers over the local course at a mile. The 9-2 shot with an extra sixteenth to run, she let Queen Clancy (Jimmy Creed) go loose on the lead up the backstretch before reeling that rival in around the far turn. Up on even terms into the lane, Rose Parade easily drew past the pacesetter and cruised home by five lengths as Queen Clancy settled for second. Out of a half-sister to GI Preakness S. hero Exaggerator (**Curlin**), Rose Parade also traces back to Canadian champion older mare Embur's Song (Unbridled's Song). Rose Garden has an Omaha Beach 2-year-old, foaled a colt by **Not This Time** last year and was barren on a Cyberknife cover for 2024. Sales History; \$475,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTSAUG; \$27,000 RNA 3yo '23 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$83,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Dream Walkin Farms, Inc.; B-Twin Creeks Farm (KY); T-Eusebio Juarez Rufino.

8th-Aqueduct, \$70,000, (S), Msw, 3-22, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:24.33, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

TOUGH LOVE TORRES (f, 3, **Kantharos--Moment of Speight {Ire}, by Speightstown)** was in no rush early as she settled near the rear of the field, and had a lot to do when the field swung into the stretch of this seven panel maiden. Still in sixth and wide, Tough Love Torres relentlessly closed the gap to run down Aunt Yola (**Runhappy**) and score at first asking by 1 1/2 lengths. The second winner from as many to the races, the victress has a 2-year-old half-brother Drive Starter (Omaha Beach) as well as a yearling half-brother by Caravaggio. Moment of Speight (Ire) is due to **Golden Pal** this spring. Sales history: \$100,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$38,500. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Michael J. Caruso, and Michael Dubb; B-Cutair Racing & Ternary Inc. (NY); T-Michael J. Maker.

INSIGHT Outcomes

1st-Santa Anita, \$65,500, Msw, 3-22, 3yo, 6fT, 1:08.94, fm, 3/4 length.

WE'RE IN TROUBLE (c, 3, **World of Trouble--The Niagara Queen {GSW, \$581,172}, by Langfuhr)** looked just so after brushing the gate and shifting in after the jump here, but he settled well to stalk All That Glory (Goldencents) through :22.76 and :45.69 splits. Even with that rival as they swung through the bend, the pair locked horns in the homeward rally with the first-time starter getting the better of All That Glory by three-quarters of a length. 'Insights' runner Metro (**Quality Road**) maintained his fourth placing all the way around. We're In Trouble is a half-brother to Mayas Queen Neetee (Speightstown), SW, \$305,523, who made her presence known on the Ohio stakes circuit before retiring to produce her first offspring, a now yearling colt by **War Front. Cont.**

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Eight Rings (Empire Maker) was tabbed as a "TDN Rising Star"

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The victor is the most recent winning addition for his GII Dance Smartly S.-winning dam The Niagara Queen, whose last registered offspring is a 2-year-old full-brother named Boundfortrouble. Sales history: \$65,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$39,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Colbart Stables and Richard A. Colvin; B-Hedberg Hall, Inc (KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy.

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6th-Fair Grounds, \$57,000, Msw, 3-22, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:04.26, gd, 1 length.

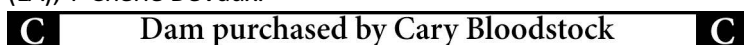
MT. MASADA (f, 3, [Sky Mesa](#)--Speight's Comete, by Speightstown) debuted behind 'TDN Rising Star' Impel ([Quality Road](#)) on New Year's Day before switching to the grass, hitting the board in her most recent start over course and distance Feb. 18. Back on the dirt in this rained-off spot, the 2-1 favorite sat a wide trip just behind Break the Brules ([Girvin](#)) and Mugen (Into Mischief). As the early leader faded turning for home, Mt. Masada engaged Mugen and was able to draw past inside the sixteenth pole to win by a length. Out of a full-sister to successful sire MGSW/MGISP [Munnings](#), the winner has a 2-year-old half-brother Makeit to Cheyenne ([Liam's Map](#)) and a yearling More Than Ready half-sister. Speight's Comete is due to [Tale of Silence](#) for this spring. Sales History: \$190,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$45,150. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Arlene London and Anita Waltuch; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss.

8th-Fair Grounds, \$57,000, (S), Msw, 3-22, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:45.32, gd, head.

LEROUX (c, 3, [Uncle Mo](#)--Multi Strategy, by Scat Daddy) improved his final position to seventh Feb. 17 on debut over a sloppy main track at this venue despite a tardy jump, and put it all together here at second asking. Blinkers on and with added real estate, he was put to the fire early via his first challenger through :23.13 and :46.85 opening fractions. Dispatching that one but soon finding two others to replace him, Leroux would not give an inch to Vega Star (Star Guitar) in the lane and prevailed in a lucky bob on the line. The first to race for Multi Strategy, the victor has only a 2024 half-brother by [Golden Pal](#) after their dam's 2022 [American Pharoah](#) was stillborn and she aborted in 2023. Sales history: \$400,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$34,200. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Coteau Grove Farms LLC, Twin Brook Stables, Runnels Racing, David Ingordo and Daniel Dantin, Jr.; B-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC (LA); T-Cherie DeVaux.

 Dam purchased by Cary Bloodstock

3rd-Laurel, \$48,710, Msw, 3-22, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:47.11, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

CAROLO RAPIDO (c, 3, [Curlin](#)--Cathryn Sophia {GISW, \$1,229,720}, by Street Boss) weakened to a distant seventh on debut Dec. 31 going a mile at Aqueduct, but managed to improve to fourth last out Feb. 18 when trying 1 1/8-miles. Moved to Laurel and shedding blinkers for this jump, the 6-5 favorite stalked from third as Intrepid's Legacy (Imagining) set the fractions. Hustled along entering the lane to catch the loose leader, Carolo Rapido overtook that pacesetter passing the sixteenth pole and kicked away to graduate by 2 1/4 lengths. Out of the GI Kentucky Oaks heroine, the winner is the most recent to get his picture taken. He has a yearling half-sister by [Gun Runner](#) and Cathryn Sophia is due to that sire again for this spring. Sales history: \$125,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$33,850. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O/B-Don Alberto Corporation & Bridlewood Farm (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

U.S.-BRED/SIRED RUNNERS IN JAPAN



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. This week's installment focuses on the unbeaten Noble Roger (Palace Malice), who looks for a second consecutive victory in stakes company in Saturday's G3 Mainichi Hai at Hanshin Racecourse:



Noble Roger | Horsephotos/Tomoya Moriuchi

Saturday, March 23, 2024

11th-HSN, Mainichi Hai-G3, ¥77.8m (\$514k), 3yo, 1800mT

NOBLE ROGER (c, 3, Palace Malice--Noble Ready, by More Than Ready), a \$70,000 OBS April breezer, was an impressive debut winner going a mile at Tokyo Nov. 12 and successfully negotiated the hike to group level with a cozy success in the G3 Nikkan Sports Sho Shinzan Kinen at Kyoto in early January (video, SC 5). A May foal, Noble Roger is out of a multiple stakes-placed full-sister to GSW Zindaya, whose 'TDN Rising Star' son Carl Spackler (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) posted a career-best in last year's GII National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame S. at Saratoga. Noble Ready is also kin to US Grade I winner and British Group 3-placed Western Aristocrat (Mr. Greeley). Yuga Kawada has the riding assignment. *B-Candy Meadows LLC (KY)*

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IN SOUTH KOREA:

Choegoui Kkum, c, 3, **Bucchero**--Blutadda, by Mutadda. Busan, 3-22, Hcp. (C4), 1400m. B-Linda L Schroetlin (FL). *Won by three lengths as the 3-5 chalk to make it two wins from two starts. **\$36,000 Ylg '22 OBSOCT. **VIDEO (SC 3)**



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, MARCH 23

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
261 foals of racing age/35 winners/3 black-type winners
4-Fair Grounds, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Lucky Speech, 6-1
\$105,000 KEE SEP yrl

Breaking Lucky (Lookin At Lucky), Blue Star Racing
55 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
9-Sam Houston Race, 6:05 p.m. EDT, \$100K Texas Thoroughbred Association Derby, 1m, Deacon Jones, 50-1
\$1,500 TTA APR 2yo

Catalina Cruiser (Union Rags), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
173 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Turfway, 1:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Tammy's Cruiser, 6-1
\$35,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$50,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$150,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Coal Front (Stay Thirsty), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000
80 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 4:00 p.m. EDT, \$125K Crescent City Derby, 1 1/16m, Good and Stout, 4-1
\$55,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$75,000 OBS APR 2yo

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
53 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Sam Houston Race, 3:30 p.m. EDT, \$100K Texas Thoroughbred Association Oaks, 1m, Contour, 6-1
\$75,000 TTA APR 2yo
9-Laurel, 4:22 p.m. EDT, \$100K Private Terms S., 1 1/16m, Copper Tax, 9-2
\$45,000 FTK OCT yrl

Demarchelier (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500
99 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Gulfstream, 1:39 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Born Flashy, 30-1
\$45,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Divisidero (Kitten's Joy), Airdrie Stud, \$5,000
42 foals of racing age/5 winners/2 black-type winners
2-Turfway, 1:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Do It Divi, 6-1
7-Fair Grounds, 4:00 p.m. EDT, \$125K Crescent City Derby, 1 1/16m, Gamer Nate, 6-1
\$14,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo
13-Turfway, 7:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Proud Divi, 10-1
7-Turfway, 3:43 p.m. EDT, \$250K Animal Kingdom S., 6f, Vote No, 5-1
\$7,500 KEE JAN wnl; \$11,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro), Darley, \$5,000
157 foals of racing age/30 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Laurel, 1:55 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Goodnightngoddbless, 12-1
\$27,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$42,000 FTK OCT yrl
9-Laurel, 4:22 p.m. EDT, \$100K Private Terms S., 1 1/16m, Inveigled, 3-1
\$35,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$52,000 OBS OPN 2yo
8-Laurel, 3:51 p.m. EDT, \$100K Beyond The Wire S., 1m, Patricia Ann, 3-1
\$20,000 FTK OCT yrl

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4-Fair Grounds, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Saranac Lake, 15-1
 \$15,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$57,000 OBS OCT yrl
 2-Turfway, 1:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Starcourt, 6-1
 \$135,000 KEE SEP yrl

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000
 200 foals of racing age/32 winners/4 black-type winners
 8-Turfway, 4:13 p.m. EDT, \$250K Rushaway S., 1 1/16m, Blue
 Eyed George, 4-1
 \$50,000 TTA YRL yrl; \$200,000 OBS APR 2yo
 12-Turfway, 6:25 p.m. EDT, \$700K GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks, 1 1/8m,
 Freedom Principle, 30-1
 \$30,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo
 1-Fair Grounds, 1:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Navarrian, 5-1
 \$11,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$57,000 OBS OPN 2yo
 12-Turfway, 6:25 p.m. EDT, \$700K GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks, 1 1/8m,
 Northern Flame, 5-1
 \$425,000 FTS AUG yrl

Givemeaminit (Star Guitar), Clear Creek Stud
 3 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:00 p.m. EDT, \$125K Crescent City Oaks, 1m,
 Platinum Minit, 9-2

Heart to Heart (English Channel), Crestwood Farm
 60 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Hawthorne, 5:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Hand Over My Heart, 12-1

Leofric (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
 105 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
 3-Cross Country Pick X, 5:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Hagrid's Flame,
 20-1
 \$32,000 RNA FTN MIX wnl; \$30,000 FTK OCT yrl

Lost Treasure (Ire) (War Front), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa
 19 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 4-Turfway, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Yellow Card, 5-2
 \$19,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$87,000 OBS APR 2yo

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000
 231 foals of racing age/41 winners/3 black-type winners
 6-Santa Anita, 6:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Ur in Trouble, 5-2
 \$18,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$87,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
 294 foals of racing age/47 winners/3 black-type winners
 8-Oaklawn, 5:22 p.m. EDT, \$200K Hot Springs S., 1m, Carbone,
 9-2
 8-Oaklawn, 5:22 p.m. EDT, \$200K Hot Springs S., 1m, Mr Phillip,

5-1
 \$145,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$300,000 OBS APR 2yo
 13-Turfway, 7:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Raconteuse, 15-1
 \$60,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$70,000 FTK OCT yrl
 3-Cross Country Pick X, 5:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Silver Satin, 2-1
 \$110,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$50,000 OBS MAR 2yo
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:00 p.m. EDT, \$125K Crescent City Oaks, 1m,
 Sister Ella, 5-1
 11-Fair Grounds, 6:08 p.m. EDT, \$400K GII Fair Grounds Oaks
 Presented by Fasig-Tipton, 1 1/16m, V V's Dream, 8-1
 \$130,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$190,000 KEE SEP yrl

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000
 291 foals of racing age/33 winners/4 black-type winners
 12-Turfway, 6:25 p.m. EDT, \$700K GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks, 1 1/8m,
 Triple Espresso, 12-1
 \$325,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$350,000 KEE SEP yrl
 4-Fair Grounds, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Without Cause, 4-1
 \$180,000 KEE SEP yrl

Preservationist (Arch), Airdrie Stud, \$5,000
 103 foals of racing age/21 winners/1 black-type winner
 12-Fair Grounds, 6:42 p.m. EDT, \$1000K GII Twinpires.com
 Louisiana Derby, 1 3/16m, Antiquarian, 12-1
 \$250,000 KEE SEP yrl
 11-Turfway, 5:43 p.m. EDT, \$300K Bourbonette Oaks, 1 1/16m,
 Band of Gold, 5-1
 \$70,000 KEE NOV wnl

Qurbaan (Speightstown), Indiana Stallion Station
 22 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner
 2-Turfway, 1:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Fedah, 12-1

Soldier's Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Dullingham Park, \$8,500
 216 foals of racing age/31 winners/1 black-type winner
 2-Turfway, 1:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Life's Saga (Ire), 20-1
 €45,000 GOF FEB wnl; 45,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Solomini (Curlin), McMahan of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$7,500
 142 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners
 4-Laurel, 1:55 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Brown Suga Babe, 20-1
 \$1,200 EAS OCT yrl

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000
 309 foals of racing age/39 winners/2 black-type winners
 12-Turfway, 6:25 p.m. EDT, \$700K GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks, 1 1/8m,
 Dancing Groom, 20-1
 \$37,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$60,000 OBS MAR 2yo

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11-Fair Grounds, 6:08 p.m. EDT, \$400K GII Fair Grounds Oaks Presented by Fasig-Tipton, 1 1/16m, Lucy Got Game, 20-1 \$90,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$100,000 KEE SEP yrl
 12-Fair Grounds, 6:42 p.m. EDT, \$1000K GII Twinpires.com Louisiana Derby, 1 3/16m, Next Level, 30-1 \$20,000 KEE SEP yrl
 3-Cross Country Pick X, 5:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Vin Santo, 10-1 \$100,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$110,000 OBS OPN 2yo

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$5,000 129 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner
 4-Fair Grounds, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, She a Baddie, 8-1 \$15,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$67,000 FTK JUL yrl
 4-Turfway, 2:13 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, 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/21 winners/0 black-type winners
 7-Turfway, 3:43 p.m. EDT, \$250K Animal Kingdom S., 6f, Okiro, 12-1 \$8,200 FTK OCT yrl; \$25,000 OBS MAR 2yo
 9-Sam Houston Race, 6:05 p.m. EDT, \$100K Texas Thoroughbred Association Derby, 1m, Third Street, 9-2 \$3,000 RNA TTA APR 2yo



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2--**Still in the Trap**, 123, g, 4, Proceed--Renewed Vows, by Attila's Storm. O-Dale F. Taylor Racing, LLC.; B-R. D. Hubbard (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$20,000.
 3--**Risky Revenge**, 120, g, 7, Laugh Track--Stormy Peg, by Fusaichi Pegasus. (\$1,200 RNA Ylg '18 RUIAUG). O-Sebastian Gonzales; B-M. Abe (NM); T-Joel J. Gonzales. \$10,000. Margins: HF, NK, 3/4. Odds: 12.20, 2.10, 20.70.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, 3-22, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:49.68, ft, 1/2 length.
MAGICAL WAYS (g, 5, Maclean's Music--You Make Luvin Fun, by A.P. Indy) Lifetime Record: 15-5-1-1, \$173,220. O-AB Racing LLC; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez. *\$65,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$400,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR.
7th-Aqueduct, \$72,000, (S), 3-22, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:51.40, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.
CLEVER FOREVER (g, 4, Laoban--Way Smarter, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-2, \$144,350. O/B-Albert Fried (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

2nd-Santa Anita, \$67,000, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 3-22, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.17, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.
BACK ON TRACK (f, 3, Prospect Park--Peg's Journey, by Good Journey) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-2, \$102,105. O/T-Paula S. Capestro; B-Carole I. Fernandez (CA). *\$1,500 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

5th-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), 3-22, (NW3L), 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:43.59, gd, 2 1/2 lengths.
PESO PESADO (g, 4, Star Guitar--Wicked Perfection, by Majesticperfection) Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-4, \$91,410. O-George Malley; B-Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch (LA); T-Emile Schwandt.

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STAKES RESULTS:

MT. CRISTO REY H., (NB) \$100,000, Sunland, 3-22, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03.31, ft.
 1--**ANTONIOS MARK, 119, g, 4, Marking--Bekat Bekat, by Lawyer Ron.** O-Andy A. Banegas; B-Fred Alexander (NM); T-Dallas J. Barton; J-Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: SP, 14-4-0-6, \$215,830.



Ruggs splashed home in the eighth race at Hot Springs on Friday evening to give jockey Cristian Torres his 200th Oaklawn winner
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8th-Laurel, \$56,215, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$62,500), 3-22, 3yo, 6f, 1:11.25, ft, 1/2 length.

PLAY HARDER (c, 3, *Outwork*--Miss Manatee, by Smarty Jones) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$58,650. O-Rising Sun Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Maria M. Haire (MD); T-Claudio A. Gonzalez. *\$10,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$25,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN.

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7th-Laurel, \$54,745, 3-22, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.76, ft, 2 lengths.

BRZINA (m, 5, *Great Notion*--Barouchka, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 22-4-8-2, \$208,560. O-Jagger Inc.; B-Ann Biggs Jackson (MD); T-Jamie Ness. *\$42,000 RNA Ylg '20 EASOCT. **1/2 to Taco Supream (El Padrino), SW, \$406,487; 1/2 to Artful Splatter (Bandbox), SW, \$423,178; 1/2 to Renaissance Rosie (Jump Start), MSP, \$372,819.

9th-Laurel, \$48,300, (C), 3-22, (C), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.82, ft, neck.

DISPUTED CLAIM (g, 4, *Golden Lad*--Weeper {MSP, \$252,340}, by Domestic Dispute) Lifetime Record: 15-4-2-3, \$129,195. O-Thousand Watts Racing Stable; B-Charles C. D. McGill (MD); T-Emanuel J. Geralis.

6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$36,600, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 3-22, 4yo/up, 1m 40y, 1:41.34, gd, 1 1/4 lengths.

MR. SWAGGER (c, 4, *Maclean's Music*--Tee Off, by Thunder Gulch) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$84,550. O-Victor J. Martinez; B-Bethany Walton, Craig Hagan & Macleans Music Syndicate (KY); T-Juan Carlos Avila. *\$225,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Five Iron (Sharp Humor), MGSW-USA, MSW-Can, \$557,923.

1st-Penn National, \$35,000, 3-21, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10.88, ft, neck.

MAGIC SPIN (g, 6, *Twirling Candy*--Aragorn Ami {SW, \$112,535}, by Aragorn {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 35-7-7-4, \$187,689. O-Mason Dixon Stable; B-Tall Oaks Farm (ON); T-Timothy C. Kreiser. *\$65,000 RNA Ylg '19 KEESEP.

9th-Turf Paradise, \$32,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000-\$35,000), 3-21, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.74, fm, 5 lengths.

SALINE RIVER (g, 4, *Liam's Map*--The Vapors, by Congrats) Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-0, \$72,535. O-Charles Garvey; B-Shortleaf Stable (KY); T-Robertino Diodoro.

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6th-Charles Town, \$27,400, (S), 3-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53.40, ft, 1/2 length.

CHEROKEE CASTLE (m, 6, *Windsor Castle*--Cherokee Champion, by Max's Pal) Lifetime Record: 27-5-8-7, \$139,246. O-Ernest F. Wills, Jr.; B-Law Legacy Stables LLC & Ronney Brown (WV); T-Anthony M. Rideout II. *1/2 to Postino's Champion (Il Postino), SP, \$288,089.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Pork Chop Pete, g, 3, **Golden Years**--Stone Cold Flirt, by Yes It's True. Charles Town, 3-21, (S), 4 1/2f, :52.26. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,900. B-Alex Kazdan (WV). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Janey Creed, f, 3, **Jimmy Creed**--Broken Marriage, by Broken Vow. Turfway, 3-21, 1m (AWT), 1:37.90. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$67,440. B-Pat Thompson (KY).

Business as Usual, f, 3, **Vino Rosso**--Shine Time, by Malibu Moon. Oaklawn, 3-22, (C), 6f, 1:12.24. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-1, \$77,672. B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY). *\$110,000 Ylg '22 FTKJUL; \$180,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR.

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Echo in Eternity, m, 5, **Connect**--Happy Clapper (MSP, \$221,151), by Awesome Again. Aqueduct, 3-22, (S), 7f, 1:25.41. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$51,663. B-Mina Equivest LLC (NY). *\$50,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL. **1/2 to Ice Princess (Palace Malice), SW & GSP, \$528,797.

Whimsical Heir, m, 5, **Orb**--Quizzical, by Cindago. Santa Anita, 3-22, (S), (C), 6f, 1:11.29. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$39,640. B-Allen Branch & Susan Branch (CA).

Hot Legs Romolo, g, 5, **Square Eddie**--Octogarian, by Rock Hard Ten. Santa Anita, 3-22, (S), 1mT, 1:35.70. Lifetime Record: 10-1-0-1, \$64,660. B-Reddam Racing, LLC (CA). *\$27,000 RNA 4yo '23 FTCAVR.

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- Connect**, Echo in Eternity, m, 5, o/o Happy Clapper, by Awesome Again. MSW, 3-22, Aqueduct
- Curlin**, Carolo Rapido, c, 3, o/o Cathryn Sophia, by Street Boss. MSW, 3-22, Laurel
- Curlin**, Rose Parade, f, 4, o/o Rose Garden, by Pioneer of the Nile. MSW, 3-22, Oaklawn
- Golden Lad**, Disputed Claim, g, 4, o/o Weeper, by Domestic Dispute. ALW, 3-22, Laurel
- Golden Years**, Pork Chop Pete, g, 3, o/o Stone Cold Flirt, by Yes It's True. MSW, 3-21, Charles Town
- Great Notion**, Brzina, m, 5, o/o Barouchka, by Not For Love. ALW, 3-22, Laurel
- Jimmy Creed**, Janey Creed, f, 3, o/o Broken Marriage, by Broken Vow. MSW, 3-21, Turfway
- Kantharos**, Tough Love Torres, f, 3, o/o Moment of Speight (Ire), by Speightstown. MSW, 3-22, Aqueduct
- Laoban**, Clever Forever, g, 4, o/o Way Smarter, by Smart Strike. ALW, 3-22, Aqueduct
- Liam's Map**, Saline River, g, 4, o/o The Vapors, by Congrats. AOC, 3-21, Turf Paradise
- Maclean's Music**, Magical Ways, g, 5, o/o You Make Luvin Fun, by A.P. Indy. ALW, 3-22, Aqueduct
- Maclean's Music**, Mr. Swagger, c, 4, o/o Tee Off, by Thunder Gulch. AOC, 3-22, Tampa Bay
- Marking**, Antonios Mark, g, 4, o/o Bekat Bekat, by Lawyer Ron.

- Mt. Cristo Rey H., 3-22, Sunland
- Mshawish**, Olivia Twist, f, 4, o/o Twinkling, by War Chant. AOC, 3-22, Sunland
- Orb**, Whimsical Heir, m, 5, o/o Quizzical, by Cindago. MCL, 3-22, Santa Anita
- Outwork**, Play Harder, c, 3, o/o Miss Manatee, by Smarty Jones. AOC, 3-22, Laurel
- Prospect Park**, Back On Track, f, 3, o/o Peg's Journey, by Good Journey. AOC, 3-22, Santa Anita
- Sky Mesa**, Mt. Masada, f, 3, o/o Speight's Comete, by Speightstown. MSW, 3-22, Fair Grounds
- Square Eddie**, Hot Legs Romolo, g, 5, o/o Octogarian, by Rock Hard Ten. MSW, 3-22, Santa Anita
- Star Guitar**, Peso Pesado, g, 4, o/o Wicked Perfection, by Majestic Perfection. ALW, 3-22, Fair Grounds
- Twirling Candy**, Magic Spin, g, 6, o/o Aragorn Ami, by Aragorn (Ire). ALW, 3-21, Penn National
- Uncle Mo**, Leroux, c, 3, o/o Multi Strategy, by Scat Daddy. MSW, 3-22, Fair Grounds
- Vino Rosso**, Business as Usual, f, 3, o/o Shine Time, by Malibu Moon. MCL, 3-22, Oaklawn
- Windsor Castle**, Cherokee Castle, m, 6, o/o Cherokee Champion, by Max's Pal. ALW, 3-21, Charles Town
- World of Trouble**, We're in Trouble, c, 3, o/o The Niagara Queen, by Langfuhr. MSW, 3-22, Santa Anita

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CLASSY GODOLPHIN RUNNERS TO BE SOLD AT ERA RACING IN DUBAI SALE



Royal Ascot winner Secret State is set to go under the hammer at the ERA Racing in Dubai Sale | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

by Adam Houghton

Royal Ascot and Dubai Carnival winners feature among 48 lots set to be offered by Godolphin at the 2024 Emirates Racing Authority (ERA) Racing in Dubai Sale, which will be staged at Meydan Racecourse on Tuesday, March 26, four days before the Dubai World Cup meeting.

Godolphin have sold over 450 horses at the ERA Racing in Dubai Sale since it was introduced in December 2015. They include the former Charlie Appleby trainee North America (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), who later won at the top level for Satish Seemar having been bought for AED140,000 (approximately €35,000) in 2016.

Drafted (Field Commission) was another high-profile graduate after being purchased for just AED40,000 (€10,000) in 2017 as he went on to become a five-time winner at Meydan, notably landing a pair of Group 3 races at the track. He was trained by Doug Watson, who has since enjoyed more success with a similar recruit in Golden Goal (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), a Group 2 winner following his sale for AED210,000 (€53,000) in 2018.

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SANDS OF MALI TO REMAIN AT BALLYHANE STUD

It has been confirmed that **Sands Of Mali (Fr)** will remain at Ballyhane Stud, where he has stood since his retirement in 2021. This is contrary to a [statement released on Tuesday](#) by Steve Parkin's Dullingham Park.

The Group 1-winning sprinter has his first runners this season. His former stud-mates at Ballyhane, **Asymmetric (Ire)** and **Space Traveller (GB)**, have moved to Micheal Orlandi's Starfield Stud in Co Westmeath.

A statement released by Ballyhane Stud on Friday morning cited "a breakdown in the business relationship between Clipper principal Steve Parkin and Ballyhane stud owner Joe Foley."

It read, "It was agreed that stallions wholly owned by the Clipper operation would not stand at the Carlow farm in the future and, as a consequence, Asymmetric and Space Traveller moved to Starfield stud near Mullingar on Wednesday."

The G2 Richmond S. winner Asymmetric recently commenced covering his first book of mares, while Space Traveller (GB), who won the Clipper-sponsored G2 Boomerang S. at Leopardstown, is in his second season at stud. [Cont. p7](#)



Sands Of Mali | [Scoop Dyga](#)

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Track Phantom ([Quality Road](#)) is contesting the GII Louisiana Derby on Saturday, and Katie Petrunyak finds out more.

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Michael Lee, Chairman of The Hong Kong Jockey Club addresses the crowd at the gala party before Sunday's BMW Hong Kong Derby. | Hong Kong Jockey Club

DONCASTER'S LINCOLN MEETING TAKES PLACE 5

The Flat season is officially starting up at Doncaster during the Lincoln meeting on Saturday. Tom Frary has the preview.

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ERA Racing In Dubai Sale Preview Cont. from p1

Of the 48 lots consigned by Godolphin this year, 22 of them are by Dubawi, including the five-year-old **Secret State (Ire)** (lot 41), who gained his biggest success when winning the 2022 King George V H. at Royal Ascot. His sire is also represented by the likes of **Goldspur (Ire)** (lot 32), who won the G3 Zetland S. at Newmarket as a juvenile and still has relatively few miles on the clock for one of his age, and **First Ruler (GB)** (lot 36), a full-brother to Ghaiyyath (Ire) who was successful at last year's Dubai Carnival. **Venetian Style (GB)** (lot 40), who topped the 2021 Tattersalls December Foal Sale at 1.8 million gns, is also catalogued after being placed recently at Chelmsford.

As for proven performers at the 2024 Carnival, **Ruling Dynasty (GB)** (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) (lot 46) is set to go under the hammer having been among the winners at Meydan as recently as last month, while **Highbank (Ire)** (**Kingman** {GB}) (lot 47) should also attract plenty of interest having been beaten just a length when filling the runner-up spot on his most recent outing at the track.

"Marie Sullivan [Godolphin's bloodstock sales manager] said that these are the best of the horses that Godolphin are selling," summed up Sam Shinsky, the ERA's head of integrity and regulation. "They sell a lot of horses, but the best ones that they're going to sell are kept for this sale.

"I think there are 22 sons of Dubawi and they're obviously well sought-after, versatile horses who go on both surfaces. A lot of the time with these horses--as we've seen with North America--they're untried on dirt, so some of them really take to it and end up having a second lease of life out here. Every year a decent horse or two comes out of it. This year we've got 48 lots and I'm sure something from it will go on to be a success."

The ERA Racing in Dubai Sale was first introduced with the main objective being to increase racehorse ownership within the UAE. As such, there is a condition in place which prevents horses purchased at the sale from being exported until the completion of the 2024/25 racing season [April 2025].

Explaining why the restriction is in place, Shinsky added, "These horses could be sold back in the UK and probably make more money there. But the idea is to try and increase or maintain our thoroughbred population and give people who are living over here--or anybody who wants to race a horse over here--an opportunity to buy a well-bred horse at a discounted rate compared to what you'd have to pay elsewhere."

Mike Kaye, the founder and principal of Touch Gold Racing, is a big advocate of what the ERA is trying to do with a sale which has been the source of two of the syndicate's most successful horses, Raven's Corner (Ire) (Raven's Pass) and Leading Spirit (Ire) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}). **Cont. p4**

WATCH THIS SPACE...

In Thursday's Attheraces stable tour, Donnacha O'Brien mentions just seven 2YOs of interest – four by **TEN SOVEREIGNS...**

Sorella Carina (400,000gns yearling purchase)

Usdi Atohi (€150,000 yearling purchase)

Mount Parnassus (€150,000 yearling purchase)

Dahlia Noir (bred by Mrs A M O'Brien)

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ERA Racing In Dubai Sale Preview Cont.

G3 Dubawi S. winner Raven's Corner was bought for AED135,000 (€34,000) by trainer Satish Seemar in 2016, while Leading Spirit was secured for AED400,000 (€101,000) in 2018 and now has his sights set on the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen on World Cup night having guaranteed his place in the field with victory in the G3 Mahab Al Shimaal on Super Saturday.

"It's a great opportunity for a syndicate like us," Kaye said of

the sale. "The horses are very well-bred and every sale produces a few horses that go on to be competitive at Group level and even run on World Cup night.

"The sale has definitely become more popular, and the prices seem to rise year on year, but hopefully we'll still be able to find some value. More importantly, the sale helps boost the quality of the local horse population, so it's definitely important that they continue to enforce that the horses can't be immediately exported to race elsewhere."

Looking ahead to this year's sale, Kaye added, "We'll do the work as usual and then see how the prices are. There are plenty of nice types on paper, but you never really know until you see them in the flesh whether they look like they will take to training and racing on dirt. It would certainly be nice to find another Raven's Corner or Leading Spirit, though!"

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RACE PREVIEWS

LINCOLN KICKS OFF TURF ACTION

by Tom Frary

It's a case of all eyes on Doncaster on Saturday with the wheel set to turn once again as the Town Moor track stages the opening act of the British Flat Turf season. Alongside the traditional curtain-raiser of the Lincoln H. for the hardened older milers is the Brocklesby S. for juveniles, the annual show of precocity where the focus will inevitably be on Royal Ascot. First-season sires represented include Mohaather (GB) and Without Parole (GB), with the former's son **Dukes Of Haather (GB)** from the Adrian Keatley stable looking primed for a big debut effort. Perhaps the classiest runner on display is in the Listed Doncaster Mile, where Nurlan Bizakov's G1 St James's Palace S. and Sussex S. third **Charyn (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) looks to provide the Roger Varian stable with a strong start to the campaign.

"He had a good year last year and it was a shame he drew a blank in terms of wins, but he put up some fine performances," Varian said. "We're looking forward to him this year and he's training nicely. He looks like he's matured a bit more and we're going to get his season started on Saturday."

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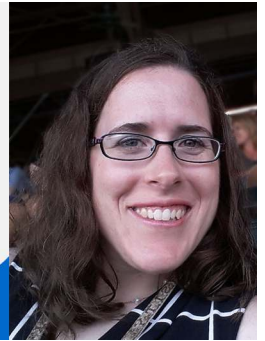


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Making Waves

by Heather Anderson



LE HAVRE FILLY QUEEN OF TAMPA

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This column is highlighted by the victory of Royalty Interest in Central Florida.



Royalty Interest | SV Photography

Le Havre Fave Gets The Job Done

Klaravich Stables' **Royalty Interest (Fr)** (Le Havre {Ire}) scored the second win of her career at Tampa Bay this past weekend ([video](#)).

Bred by China Horse Club International, the bay sold for €50,000 to Seth Klarman's operation during the 2021 Arqana October Yearling Sale. The fourth foal out of stakes winner Dusky Queen (Ire) (Shamardal), Royalty Interest is one of four winners from seven foals for her dam. She is a half-sister to the stakes-placed winning Nizaaka (Fr) (New Bay {GB}) and a full-sister to fellow stakes-placed winner Un Instant (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}). Dusky Queen, a half-sister to the multiple graded/group-placed Achnaha (Ire) (Haatef), has a 2-year-old gelding by **Siyouni (Fr)** and a yearling colt by New Bay (GB) still to race.

The late Le Havre has been represented by 21 runners in America. Eleven (52%) have won, with GI Turf Mile S. winner Suedois (Fr), multiple graded winner Rymska (Fr) and GIII Red Carpet H. heroine Orglandes (Fr) his three stakes winners (14%) in that jurisdiction. The latter pair were also trained by Brown.

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Zoustar Colt Races To Santa Anita Win

King Of Gosford (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}) added an American win to his ledger at Santa Anita recently for trainer Phil D'Amato ([video](#)). The colt is owned by Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig and Jeremy Peskoff.

Bred by The Miss Sugars Partnership, King Of Gosford was a 32,000gns Tattersalls October Book 3 yearling, and made six starts for trainer Andy Oliver and owner N W T Dalzell. He won a Dundalk handicap in his first try over the all-weather in October, and ran third on his final Irish start there later that month before being acquired privately by these connections. His dam, Miss Sugars (GB) (Habour Watch {Ire}), won the Listed Blue Northern S. at Santa Anita. King Of Gosford, who is her second foal, is followed by a 2-year-old colt and a yearling filly, both by G1 2000 Guineas winner Kameko. Third dam Hoh Dear (Ire) (Sri Pekan) won the GIII Natalma S., and two of her grandchildren won Grade I stakes in North America--Wigmore Hall (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}) and Ocean Road (Ire) ([Australia {GB}](#)).

Five of Zoustar's 10 Northern American runners have won (50%), with the best of these being GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sprint third Starlust (GB).



King Of Gosford | Benoit Photo

Alimara Graduates At Tampa Bay Downs

First Row Partners' **Alimara (Fr)** (The Grey Gatsby {Ire}) closed to win over the Tampa Bay turf earlier this month for trainer Chad Brown ([video](#)).

Bred by Appapays Racing Club, the grey was unsold at €55,000 as an Arqana October yearling in 2022. She was second in both of her French starts last year at two--at Lyon Parilly on the grass in October, and later that month switched to the Chantilly all-weather in the colours of Sandro Gianella for trainer Henri-Alex Pantall. The half-sister to the German stakes heroine Amellata (Fr) (Pomellato {Ger}) has a juvenile full-sister named Arizza (Fr) to come. Her unraced dam Arctica (Ger) (Iffraaj {GB}) is a daughter of Artica (Ger) (Pentire {GB}), who won at listed level



Alimara | SV Photography

in her native land, and also threw a trio of black-type horses, the best of which was G3 Silberne Peitsche winner Artistica (Ger) (Areion {Ger}).

Haras du Petit Tellier's The Grey Gatsby sports a 75% strike rate in the U.S., with three of his four runners having saluted the judge. His Mylady (Ger) won the GIII The Very One S. at Gulfstream Park, and Atomic Blonde (Ger) was third in a brace of Grade IIIs.

Dilger Puts His Name In Lights

Mike Ryan's **Dilger (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) won at Gulfstream Park for conditioner Saffie Joseph, Jr. in mid-March ([video](#)).

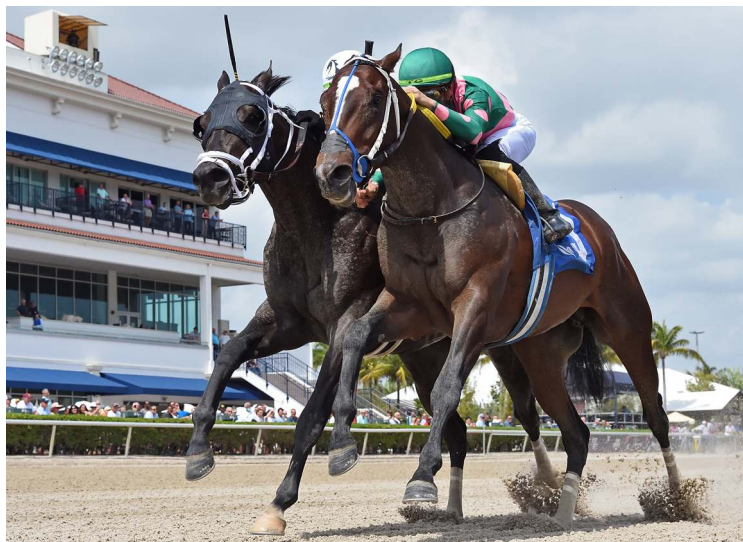
A product of the Demers Bloodstock breeding programme, the son of Post Perfection (Majesticperfection) is the second foal and first winner for his dam, while he also has a yearling half-sister by [Essential Quality](#). His dam was covered by [Nyquist](#) last year. He is from the family of GII Nassau County Breeders' Cup S. winner and GI Acorn S. runner-up Hello Liberty (Forest Camp), as well as multiple graded winner Cairo Memories ([Cairo Prince](#)), herself placed twice at the highest level, as well as GI Blue Grass S. hero and young sire Zandon ([Upstart](#)).

Ballylinch Stud's Lope De Vega is the sire of 41 winners in the U.S. from 76 runners (54%). His three Grade I winners, Newspaperofrecord (Ire), Program Trading (GB), and Aunt Pearl (Ire), anchor his eight total stakes winners there (10.5%).

Repeat Winner

E Five Racing Thoroughbreds' **I'maboutago (Ire)** ([Calyx {GB}](#)) was back in the spotlight with a 3 1/4-length win at Fair Grounds ([video](#)). The Ennistown Stud-bred is now two-for-two after taking a [Gulfstream maiden](#) last December.

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Dilger (right) | Ryan Thompson/Coglianese Photography

EUROPEAN NEWS

Sands Of Mali Cont. from p1

"We both thought this was the best way forward and I wish the team at Starfield all the best with the two horses," said Joe Foley.

"As Sands of Mali is a partnership horse, he will remain at Ballyhane where his book has been increasing significantly due to highly encouraging reports of his first crop of two-year-olds."

He added, "It has been a great adventure helping Steve and his family build his racing and breeding operation into what it has become today and I'm proud of the top horses that I've sourced for them over the years. I wish them all the best into the future, especially on the racetrack this year where the Clipper and Bronte teams have an exciting string of horses preparing for the season ahead."

Parkin's homebred Group 1 winner **Fallen Angel (GB)** (Too Darn Hot {GB}) is currently second-favourite in the betting for the Qipco 1,000 Guineas, while her stable-mate at Karl Burke's Spigot Lodge, **Night Raider (Ire)** (Dark Angel {GB}), shortened significantly in the Qipco 2,000 Guineas market following his **'TDN Rising Star'-worthy wide-margin win** at Southwell on Wednesday. Bred by Linden Bloodstock, he was bought for Parkin by Foley as a foal.

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RECORD PRIZE-MONEY ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2024 JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL

The G1 Juddmonte International, rated the Longines World's Best Race in 2020, will be run for a record £1.25 million in 2024,

York Racecourse and Juddmonte announced on Friday.

In 2023, the Juddmonte International was worth £1 million and produced another high-class winner in Mostahdaf (Ire) (**Frankel {GB}**), who ended the year as the joint highest-rated horse in the world outside Japan. The feature event on the opening day of the Sky Bet Ebor Festival also retained its position as one of the top ten races in the world.

The 25 percent increase in prize-money for 2024 cements the Juddmonte International as the richest race ever run on the Knavesmire, as well as being the joint most valuable all-aged contest staged at a racecourse-owned fixture in Britain.

The support of Juddmonte for this flagship contest dates back to 1989. Over those 35 years, it has regularly featured the famous green and pink silks of the late Prince Khalid Abdullah, with them crossing the line in front on two occasions, courtesy of Twice Over (2011) and, most famously, **Frankel** (2012).

William Derby, chief executive and clerk of the course at York Racecourse, said, "We are delighted to announce this boost to the prize fund of our flagship race, the Juddmonte International, to £1.25m, confirming it as the richest race ever run at York. Juddmonte Day on Wednesday, August 21 is a tremendous way to open the Sky Bet Ebor Festival, on the first of three World Pool racedays.

"The significant increase in prize-money forms part of a wider strategy to ensure the race continues to attract the best horses in the world for racing followers at York and beyond, to enjoy. From Roberto to **Sea The Stars**, **Frankel**, to one of his progeny, Mostahdaf, just last year, it is a race that consistently attracts the best in equine talent. Juddmonte have been fantastic partners and curators of this race with York since 1989 and we remain deeply appreciative of their wonderful support of York and wider British racing." [Cont. p8](#)



Mostahdaf wins last year's Juddmonte International

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Prize Boost For Juddmonte International Cont.

On behalf of Juddmonte, chief executive officer, Douglas Erskine Crum, said, "In our 35th year of sponsorship, this 25 percent increase in value demonstrates both York and Juddmonte's commitment to increasing prize-money and further enhancing the Juddmonte International's status as one of the world's very best races. We congratulate York on consistently making prize-money a top priority across all their meetings, thereby taking the lead amongst UK racecourses."

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PORTA FORTUNA HAS CLASSIC TRIAL OPTION AT LEOPARDSTOWN



Porta Fortuna | [Racingfotos.com](#)

The G3 Ballylinch Stud 'Priory Belle' 1,000 Guineas Trial S. at Leopardstown on Sunday, April 7, has been identified as a likely starting point for **Porta Fortuna (Ire)** as she prepares to embark on her three-year-old campaign.

Trained by Donnacha O'Brien, Porta Fortuna proved herself a high-class juvenile in 2023 when her high-profile victories included the G3 Albany S. at Royal Ascot and G1 Cheveley Park S. at Newmarket. She was last seen filling the runner-up spot in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf at Santa Anita.

All roads now lead to the G1 Qipco 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket on Sunday, May 4, for the daughter of Caravaggio, with ground conditions at Leopardstown likely to dictate whether she runs there beforehand.

"She was brilliant for us last season," O'Brien told [Attheraces.com](#). "When they are so good as two-year-olds, you can never be sure how well they'll train on, but she seems to have wintered particularly well and her recent work has been very good."

"I'd like to run her in the 1,000 Guineas Trial at Leopardstown, but if the ground is bad, I'll be happy enough to give her a

racecourse gallop instead and go straight to the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket."

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HORSE OF THE YEAR HONOURS FOR FANTASTIC MOON

Fantastic Moon (Ger) has emulated his sire Sea The Moon (Ger) not just by winning the G1 Deutsches Derby but now also in being crowned German Horse of Year for 2023.

The colt, owned by Liberty Racing, won the oldest public vote in the history of German sport, which took place on his fourth birthday, March 21.

"We are very proud of this title. Fantastic Moon absolutely deserves it," said Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten, the co-founder of the colt's ownership syndicate Liberty Racing.

"His magnificent victory in the 2023 German Derby and his superior victory as the first German horse in the Prix Niel in Paris have clearly shown that he is currently Germany's best horse, and the fans have now confirmed this with their vote for the Sea The Moon colt."

Sea The Moon was himself made Horse of the Year following his 11-length Derby win in 2014. The Lanwades Stud resident had an emphatic influence on the German Classics last season and was also responsible for the first three home in the G1 Preis der Diana, led by Muskoka (Ger), who was bred by Baumgarten.

Fantastic Moon remains in training with Sarah Steinberg in Munich with the aim being for him to make his seasonal debut at Hoppegarten in the Listed Preis von Dahlwitz on Easter Sunday. His runner-up in the Derby, Mr Hollywood (Ire) (Iquitos {Ger}), is also entered for the race. After Berlin, the Prix Ganay at ParisLongchamp at the end of April is also under consideration for Fantastic Moon. [Cont. p9](#)



Fantastic Moon | [Liberty Racing](#)

Fantastic Moon Cont.

Baumgarten added, "He is only the second Derby winner in the past 23 years to win this award, likely because he has built up a large fanbase. We thank everyone who voted for him and of course his team around trainer Sarah Steinberg and jockey Rene Piechulek for the outstanding work with our hero."

His co-founder in Liberty Racing, Nadine Siepmann, said, "As a child, I was impressed every year watching the Horse of the Year vote on TV, and now our horse has won the vote, which is so great."

There are 22 members in the ownership group for Fantastic Moon, and this represents the first time that the German Horse of the Year has been owned by a syndicate. Liberty Racing was set up in 2020 and now has seven active syndicates with 16 horses in training for more than 100 shareholders.

Siepmann added, "Owner syndicates are enormously important for horse racing in order to introduce the great thoroughbred horses to new people. That's why it's all the more wonderful that these communities also win big races and own great horses, that's the best advertising."

Fantastic Moon was bred by Philipp and Marion Stauffenberg from the Jukebox Jury (Ire) mare Frangipani (Ger). Now 10, the mare is due to foal to **Sea The Stars (Ire)** and she will return to Sea The Moon (Ger) this season.

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LISTED WINNER DARLINGHURST ADDED TO ARQANA ONLINE SALE



Darlinghurst | *Scoop Dyga*

Listed winner **Darlinghurst (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) (lot 9) has been added as a wildcard to the Arqana Online Sale on Thursday, March 28.

Trained by Jerome Reynier, the three-year-old Darlinghurst was completing a hat-trick when winning the Listed Prix Maurice

Caillault by a length and a half at Chantilly earlier this month. A 230,000gns purchase at Book 1 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale, he was bred by Yeomanstown Stud and is the first foal out of the G3 Mercury S. winner Dr Simpson (Fr) (Dandy Man {Ire}).

"We are now looking at Group races for him, notably the Prix La Force or Prix Fontainebleau," Reynier said of future plans for Darlinghurst. "He has not stopped improving with every race and is very promising."

The full catalogue for the Arqana Online Sale can be viewed [here](#).

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PAIR OF WILDCARDS JOIN TATTERSALLS MARCH SALE

The [catalogue](#) for the **Tattersalls March Sale** was augmented with a pair of wildcards on Friday. Set for Wednesday, Mar. 27, the sale begins at 11 a.m.

Tasmanian Legend (Ire) (**Australia {GB}**) (lot 50A) will be offered by Alice Haynes Racing and is rated 81 on Timeform. The 3-year-old gelding sports a pair of wins over 1 1/16 miles in February and March.

Joining the three-time winner is Lodge Hill Stables' **Emily's Star (GB)** (Kayf Tara {GB}) (lot 50B), who is a half-sister to the Grade 3-placed Ma Belle Amie (GB) (Oscar {Ire}), as well as the dam of graded winner Midnight River (GB) (Midnight Legend {GB}). The 7-year-old mare is out of a full-sister to graded-winning jumpers Irish Royal (Fr) and Ma Royale (Fr), both by Garde Royale (Ire).

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IHRB HOSTS EUROPEAN HORSERACE SCIENTIFIC LIAISON COMMITTEE CONFERENCE

Veterinary regulatory and analytical experts gathered this week in Dublin for the biennial European Horserace Scientific Liaison Committee (EHSLC) conference.

Hosted by the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board, the conference began on Tuesday and concluded on Thursday and consisted of various working parties who held lengthy discussions relating to their expertise within the regulatory framework.

Delegates of racing regulators in Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Finland, Norway and Sweden were present, while members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC), the Japanese Racing Association (JRA), the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU) and the International Federation for Equestrian Sports (FEI) were also in attendance in an observatory capacity.



Members of the European Horserace Scientific Liaison Committee
Claire-Jeanne Nash

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Speaking at the conference, IHRB Chief Veterinary Officer/Head of Anti-Doping, Lynn Hillyer said, "The IHRB is delighted to welcome and host this expert group in Dublin for important scientific veterinary and regulatory discussions. It is a critical part of our work to maintain close engagement with international horseracing bodies, exercising leadership where appropriate, to ensure consistency of regulatory standards as per our commitment to Integrity in our 2024-2027 Statement of Strategy. As Chair of the International Group of Specialist Regulatory Veterinarians (IGSRV), I believe that this meeting of European colleagues provides an invaluable opportunity to share best practice."

The EHS LC was formed in 1992 following a discussion between the Stewards of France, Great Britain and Ireland on the need for greater co-operation in technical areas and their wish to encourage co-operation in research to successfully counter future challenges concerning the control of prohibited substances in racing.

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FOOTBALLER ASHLEY BARNES BANNED BY BHA

Ashley Barnes, a Norwich City striker, was banned for failing to cooperate in an ongoing investigation by the British Horseracing Authority (BHA) this month, *Sky Sports* reported on Friday.

Barnes, 34, was put on the exclusion list maintained by the racing body, alongside his father-in-law John Higgins. The duo are not allowed on a property licensed by the BHA. Previously a registered owner in Britain, Barnes celebrated a winner with Manor Park (GB) (Medicean {GB}) at Newton Abbot in 2021.

"The BHA can confirm that the Ashley Barnes listed as an excluded person on our website is the professional footballer

Ashley Barnes," a BHA spokesperson told the *Daily Mirror*. "Mr Barnes has been excluded due to a failure to cooperate with a BHA investigation. As that investigation is ongoing, the BHA will make no further comment."

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Ashley Barnes | *Getty Images*

NAMING COMPETITION FOR TRIO OF KAMEKO JUVENILES LAUNCHED BY QATAR RACING

Social media followers of Qatar Racing will be able to enter a new naming competition for three of Kameko's first juveniles that was launched last Sunday. The competition runs until midnight on Sunday, Mar. 24 and winners will be announced the week beginning Apr. 1.

Horses available for naming that will run in the claret and gold silks of Sheikh Fahad al Thani are:

- a filly out of Group 1 winner Con Te Partiro (GB) (Time Test {GB}) who is trained by John and Thady Gosden
- a filly out of listed heroine Ripples Maid (GB) (Dansili {GB}), who is trained by James Ferguson
- and a colt out of Quads (Ire) (Shamardal) in training with Archie Watson.

The winners will be selected by Sheikh Fahad, chairman of Qatar Racing, and Qatar racing manager David Redvers of Tweenhills Stud, where the G1 2000 Guineas hero stands. The prize will include two tickets for the opening day of the QIPCO Guineas Festival, which begins on Friday, May 3.

To enter, follow Qatar Racing on social media @Qatar_Racing (Twitter/X) or @qatarracingltd (Instagram), reply to any of the social media posts with your suggestions. Names must be clean and a max of 18 characters.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, March 23, 2024:

UNITED KINGDOM

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud
96 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
13:50-DONCASTER, 5f, Dukes of Haather (GB)
47,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023

Without Parole (GB) (Frankel {GB}), Newsells Park Stud
53 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
13:50-DONCASTER, 5f, Sunny Time (GB)
8,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

FRANCE

Romanised (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot
83 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
2-LA TESTE-BA, 1000m, Fruition (Fr)

Van Beethoven (Scat Daddy), Karwin Farm
32 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
2-LA TESTE-BA, 1000m, Sweet Chop (Fr)
€15,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2023



Mohaather has a runner at Doncaster | Shadwell

BRITAIN

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

No Half Measures (GB), f, 3, **Cable Bay (Ire)**--Fascinator (GB), by Helmet (Aus). Lingfield, 3-22, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:12.43. Lifetime

Record: 2-1-1-0, \$11,449. B-Bumble Bloodstock & Mrs S Nicholls (GB). *£34,000 Ylg '22 GOFFUK.

Run Boy Run (GB), g, 3, **Rajasinghe (Ire)**--Instructress (GB), by Diktat (GB). Newcastle, 3-22, 6f (AWT), 1:16.60. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-0, \$15,712. B-Phil Cunningham (GB).

IRELAND

Thursday's Results:

4th-Dundalk, €16,000, Mdn, 3-22, 3yo, 7f (AWT), 1:28.56, st. **SAKTI (IRE)** (f, 3, **Caravaggio--Oh Grace {Ire}**, by **Lawman {Fr}**), sent off at 1-4 to shed her maiden tag having been runner-up in the G2 Debutante S. and G3 Weld Park S. on her last two starts, tracked the leader throughout the early stages. In front approaching the furlong pole, she was driven out to hold the challenge of the 100-1 outsider Arnaman (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}) and win in workmanlike fashion by 1 1/4 lengths. The dam, whose yearling colt by Lucky Vega (Ire) was a €55,000 purchase by the syndicate Lucky Vega at Goffs November, hails from the Jim Bolger family of Galileo's Teofilo (Ire). Sales history: €52,000 Wlg '21 GOFNO1. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ire, 4-1-3-0, \$51,621. O-David Spratt & Sean Jones & Lynne Lyons; B-T Darcy & V McCarthy (IRE); T-Ger Lyons.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Le Croise-Laroche, €16,000, 3-22, 4yo, 9fT, 1:58.00, vs.

SAKURA GLITTERS (FR) (f, 4, **Martinborough {Jpn}**--**Loupy Glitters {Fr}** {SW-Fr}, by **Loup Solitaire**) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, €22,725. O/B-SCEA Ecurie Bader (FR); T-Philippe Decouz.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Meri Lilou (Fr), f, 3, **Lawman (Fr)**--Folle Biche (Fr), by Take Risks (Fr). Le Croise-Laroche, 3-22, 9fT, 1:56.90. B-P Boureau (FR). *1/2 to Meri Shika (Fr) (Spirit One {Fr}), SW-Can, GSP-Fr, \$209,542.

Ericson (Ger), c, 3, **Protectionist (Ger)**--Ericarrow (Ire), by Bollin Eric (GB). Strasbourg, 3-22, 10fT, 2:18.82. B-Mme G Gaul (GER). *1/2 to Eric (Ger) (Tertullian), GSW-Ger, \$285,600.

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IN AUSTRALIA:

Fawkner Park (Ire), g, 5, **Zoffany (Ire)**--Za'hara (Ire), by Raven's Pass. Albury, 3-22, Listed Albury Gold Cup, 2000mT, 2:00.49, gd. B-Lisbrook (Ire). *£46,000 Ylg '20 GOFSEP; 120,000gns HRA '22 TATOCT. **1/2 to Saracen Knight (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**)), GSW-Aus, \$390,234. *****1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.**



CAIRO PURCHASED BY KUWAIT'S REFAI ALGHURABAN



Cairo | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

Group 3 winner **Cairo (Ire)** (**Quality Road**) has been purchased by Refai Alghuraban, a leading owner in Kuwait. The deal was brokered by Avenue Bloodstock's Mark McStay.

Successful in the G3 Killavullan S. in 2022 for the Coolmore partners and trainer Aidan O'Brien, the bay was second in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas to **Paddington (GB)** (**Siyouni {Fr}**) last May. He kick-started his 4-year-old campaign in his 10th lifetime start with a close runner-up effort in the \$500,000 Listed Irish Marketing Cup in Doha, Qatar, in February. The son of listed winner Cuff (Ire) (**Galileo {Ire}**) and great grandson of blue hen producer Rafha (GB) (**Kris {GB}**), is pointing to the 1800-metre G1 Dubai Turf on Mar. 30.

"Cairo ran very well on his first start of 2024 in Doha last month and it's intended that he represent his new owner Mr

Refai Alghuraban and his family in the Dubai Turf at Meydan on World Cup night," McStay said. "Cairo is an extremely well-bred horse who has some excellent form, particularly his run behind **Paddington (GB)** in the Irish 2000 Guineas last season. As always, it's a very strong renewal of the Dubai Turf, but we're very hopeful for a big run in his new owner's colours. Mr Alghuraban is a leading owner in the gulf region."

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LUGAL AIMING FOR TAKAMATSUNOMIYA KINEN GLORY by Heather Anderson

The consistent **Lugal (Jpn)**, by the much lamented reigning Japanese Champion Sire Duramente (Jpn), has never contested a Group 1 race, but that is all about to change in Sunday's G1 Takamatsunomiya Kinen at Chukyo over 1200 metres.

Bearing the burden of favouritism in this fully subscribed 18-strong affair, the 4-year-old will leave from stall six. Never worse than fourth in his past 10 trips to the post, Lugal ran second in the G3 Keihan Hai to **Toshin Macau (Jpn)** (**Big Arthur {Jpn}**) in his sophomore finale in November, with that rival returning to add the G3 Ocean S. to his ledger at Nakayama, defeating **Big Caesar (Jpn)** (**Big Arthur {Jpn}**) on Mar. 2. The favourite, too, made a winning 2024 bow, taking the G3 Silk Road S. going this trip at Kyoto on Jan. 28.

Trainer Haruki Sugiyama said of Lugal, "He was in great shape for the Silk Road S. and he started well. Two weeks ago, his fast work up the hill was very impressive. Last week, even with the bad ground, his footwork was almost too good. He's still a bit heavy, but I think with one more workout he'll be ready."

Mama Cocha (Jpn) (Kurofune), winner of the G1 Sprinters S. in October defeating **Mad Cool (Ire)** (**Dark Angel {Ire}**) in the process, finished her year with a fifth-place effort to **Win Marvel (Jpn)** (**I'll Have Another**) in the 1400-metre G2 Hanshin Cup in December. [Cont. p13](#)



Lugal | [Japan Racing Association](https://www.japanracingassociation.com)

Takamatsunomiya Kinen Preview Cont.

That rival, meanwhile, made a winning 2024 start in the G3 Hankyu Hai over the 1400-metre trip and will be cutting back to that distance for the first time since finishing sixth to Mama Cocha in the Sprinters.

Yasutoshi Ikee, trainer of the Mama Cocha, said, "She's heading into the race without a prep mainly due to the fact that I didn't see a race that suited her regarding such things as the weight she'd have to carry or the distance. However, she is a horse that does well with a sharpener, so I brought her back to Ritto early and the work she has been getting should be enough to cover for the lack. I think she's in the same condition as she was for the Sprinters S. As for the race strategy, I'm leaving all the details up to Yuga Kawada. I think she can handle the distance. I'm just hoping the weather will hold."

The Takamatsunomiya Kinen also features Hong Kong raider **Victor The Winner (Aus)** (Tornado {Ire}) (**Friday's gallop**), who leaves from stall 10 under Derek Leung for trainer Danny Shum. Hong Kong's Aerovelocity (NZ) (Pins {Aus}) first scooped the prize in 2015. The 5-year-old, who will be racing left-handed for the first time, claimed the G1 Centenary Sprint Cup at Sha Tin going this trip on Jan. 28.

"He arrived late on Monday after quarantine," Leung told the Hong Kong Jockey Club notes team. "There was a traffic jam, so he was spent a lot of time on the truck. At first, he was a little bit tired but after that, he was fine. The first time he galloped, he had a look around--same as at Sha Tin, he always looks around. It was a bit exciting for him because it was quite new.

"In the gallop, when I asked him for a little effort, he did it for me. The last 200 [metres], he gave me a good finish--not too tough for him. It was good."



Victor The Winner landing the Centenary Sprint Cup
Hong Kong Jockey Club

The G3 Kyoto Himba S. one-two of **So Dazzling (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) and **Namura Clair (Jpn)** (Mikki Isle {Jpn}), who ran second in the Takamatsunomiya Kinen and third in Mama Cocha's Sprinters S. both in 2023, will leave from gates eight and three, respectively. Last year's G1 NHK Mile Cup heroine **Champagne Color (Jpn)** (Duramente {Jpn}) will be trying the shortest trip of her career on Sunday, and is to the immediate outside of So Dazzling.

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FAVOURITES HAVE IT ALL TO DO

FOLLOWING HK DERBY DRAW *by Alan Carasso*



Owner Andy Yung selects gate 13 for Helios Express | HKJC

If **Helios Express (Aus)** (Tornado {Ire}) is to add Sunday's HK\$26-million (£2.63 million/US\$3.33 million) BMW Hong Kong Derby to his victories in the Hong Kong Classic Mile and Hong Kong Classic Cup, he will have to do so from gate 13 in a field of 14 4-year-olds in the 2000-metre domestic centrepiece Sunday at Sha Tin Racecourse.

The 102-rater is one of three in the race for four-time Derby-winning conditioner John Size, who will also send out Classic Cup third **Ensued** (Lemon Drop Kid) with Ryan Moore from barrier 12 and the longshot **Simple Hedge (Aus)** (Sebring {Aus}) from the six with Antoine Hamelin at the controls.

"I'll have to have a look at the race, see what the jocks think and try and work it out," the Aussie ex-pat commented. "They haven't done me any favours yet.

Size also provided an update on Helios Express, who has overcome a bacterial infection in a hoof.

"The horse (Helios Express) is fine, he galloped [Thursday] morning and he looks good."

With a win, Helios Express would join Rapper Dragon (Aus) (Street Boss) and Golden Sixty (Aus) (**Medaglia d'Oro**) as horses to sweep the 4-year-old Classics. **Cont. p14**

HK Derby Draw Cont.


Galaxy Express (Aus) (Wandjina {Aus}) will attempt to emulate Size's most recent Derby winner Ping Hai Star (NZ) (Nom de Jeu {NZ}) in stepping up from 1400 metres to the 2000 metres of the Derby. Prepared by the outstanding leading young trainer Pierre Ng, Galaxy Express will carry Blake Shinn, who will need to chart a course from the widest alley.

Those drawn in the double digits would take some heart in the barrier draw statistics. Not only did Voyage Bubble (Aus) (Deep Field {Aus}) prevail 12 months ago from the 14 hole, but since the turn of the century, the Derby winner has left from gates 10 and higher on no fewer than 10 occasions. Fay Fay (NZ) and Ambitious Dragon (NZ) also overcame the widest barrier.

The top choices in the market have also generally performed well in the Derby, as only Voyage Bubble (45-1) and Vital King (NZ) (10-1, 2007) have returned double-digit mutuels.

The Derby goes as race seven on a 10-race program with a scheduled post time of 4.15 local time (4:15am ET, 8:15am British time). Click here for the [HKJC race form](#). The Hong Kong Derby cheat sheet will appear in Saturday's *TDN Europe*.

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BMW HONG KONG DERBY

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 | SHA TIN



#1 GALAXY PATCH (AUS) (PP #14)
(Wandjina {Aus}--Voltara {Aus}, by More Than Ready) (A\$50,000 Ylg '21 MMMAR)
 O-Yeung Kin Man; B-Summerset Park Stud (SA); T-Pierre Ng; J-Blake Shinn.
 Current Rating: 103

Second in the G1 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup Mar. 10, Galaxy Patch has been supplemented to the Derby for HK\$260,000. A debut winner over 1100m in South Australia, he will try to see out this 10-furlong trip as the 'now' horse. He's bred on a variant of the hugely successful Danehill/More Than Ready cross that says it's possible, but is the reward worth the risk?



#2 HELIOS EXPRESS (AUS) (PP #13)
(Toronado {Ire}--Paris Texas {Aus}, by Hinchinbrook {Aus}) O-Andy Yung Ming Tai; B-C Wells (WA); T-John Size; J-Hugh Bowman. Current Rating: 102

Has won six of his eight local starts, including an impressive score in the Hong Kong Classic Mile and a more narrow success in the Hong Kong Classic Cup. His jockey has expressed a concern that his mount will beat himself by overracing, so he needs to find a way to switch off and save something for a finish. He's passed every test thus far, though the draw is poor.



#3 HELENE FEELING (IRE) (PP #11)
(Sioux Nation--Cynthia Calhoun {GB}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}) (€15,500 Wlg '20 GOFDEC; 40,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT)
 O-Helene Syndicate; B-A Sherwood & P Connell; T-Danny Shum; J-James McDonald. Current Rating: 95

Accumulated ratings points with a couple wins at Happy Valley this term and was Group 3-placed at the city circuit. Though he was second in the Classic Mile, he was soundly defeated, and he was disappointing when sixth at 5-1 in the Classic Cup. Zac Purton is getting off to ride another rival (J Mac takes over) and this seems like a horse who is going the wrong direction.



#4 CHILL CHIBI (NZ) (PP #3)
(Wrote {Ire}--My Amazing Cool {NZ}, by Danroad {Aus}) (NZ\$80,000 Ylg '21 NZBJAN) O-Dr Alex Lam Sai Keung & Chan Pui Fan; B-Hong Kong Breeders Club Ltd; T-Danny Shum; J-Jerry Chau. Current Rating: 86.

Another who has done the bulk of his resume building downtown and was third at odds-on to a subsequent G3 winner at the Valley in December. He was forced to miss the Classic Mile and his Classic Cup may not be as bad as it may appear on paper, as only Helios Express outprinted him in the final 400m. Rough place chance for a Derby-winning trainer.



#5 ENSUED (PP #12)
(Lemon Drop Kid--Alluvial Gold {Ire}, by Danehill Dancer {Ire}) (\$120,000 Ylg '21 KEESep; €260,000 2yo '22 ARQMAY)
 O-Ada Wong Yin Man; B-T/C Stable LLC (KY); T-John Size; J-Ryan Moore.
 Current Rating: 85

One of three US-breds in the field, achieved a rare feat winning over 1800m on local debut and owns a victory in Class 2 going this distance. He raced handy to whatever pace there was in the Classic Cup and his best chance will be to outstay them, as he is a grinder that lacks any turn of foot. Ryan Moore has won a Derby for Size and Ensued stays, but is he this good?



#6 CHANCHENG GLORY (PP #9)
(Mor Spirit--Solid Scam, by Consolidator) (\$50,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$110,000 Ylg '21 KEESep; \$220,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSMAR) O-Chancheng Racing Syndicate; B-H Allen Poindexter (IA); T-Francis Lui; J-William Buick. Current Rating: 84

Went on a four-race tear in the lower grades earlier this season but was no better than sixth after getting away with cheap sections in the Classic Mile. That ensured a big price in the Classic Cup and he was ridden forward from a high draw, carried the lead into the final stages and was mugged late. Can take them a long way if the Derby pace is moderate.



#7 MASSIVE SOVEREIGN (IRE) (PP #10)
(No Nay Never--Sweet Charity {Fr}, by Myboycharlie {Ire}) (€620,000 Ylg '21 GOFSEP) O-Chan Kam Hung; B-Lynch Bages Ltd & Summerhill B/S; T-Dennis Yip; J-Zac Purton.
 Current Rating: 82

A two-time winner for Aidan O'Brien racing as Broadhurst, Massive Sovereign turned in the performance of the day on the Classic Cup undercard, sitting a trip from behind midfield before rounding up his rivals as if they were tied to a post for an extraordinary first-up score at the course and distance. Wouldn't be talking anyone looking for an encore off of him.



#8 BEAUTY CRESCENT (IRE) (PP #5)
(Acclamation {GB}--Up In Time {GB}, by Noverre) (€180,000 Ylg '21 GOFSEP) O-Beauty Family Syndicate; B-Roundhill Stud & J S Investments; T-Tony Cruz; J-Alexis Badel. Current Rating: 80

Winner of the Listed Blenheim S. for Ger Lyons in 2022, Beauty Crescent has hit the board in half of his 12 local starts, but has yet to stand under the arch post-race. Second in a pair of C3 tests over 1400m when saved for a finish, he raced more prominently in the Classic Mile and Classic Cup to be fifth. Lacks a killer instinct and may prove better over shorter trips.



#9 SPEED DRAGON (NZ) (PP #7)
(Darci Brahma {NZ}--Keenly {NZ}, by Keeninsky {NZ}) O-Peter Chu Ka Lok; B-The Oaks Stud; T-Francis Lui; J-Lyle Hewitson.
 Current Rating: 80

Victorious in a C3 over 1600m in December, he was slowly away and copped a check late in the Classic Mile, then sat a wide trip, albeit with cover, and was one that may have been pace-disadvantaged when ninth in the Classic Cup. He is a deserving roughie, but his trainer has had some success in the Classics and he could very well outrun his odds.



#10 UNBELIEVABLE (PP #8)
(Justify--Together Forever {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) (\$750,000 Ylg '21 KESEP) O-23/24 Frankie Lor Fu Chuen Trainer Syndicate; B-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt (KY); T-Frankie Lor; J-Harry Bentley.
 Current Rating: 80

Sold to Hong Kong after winning the London Gold Cup H. at Newbury last May, the former Bertinelli was not a factor carrying a big weight on local debut over a mile Feb. 12 and was an improved eighth in the Classic Cup with a three-wide, no-cover trip. Extra real estate won't hurt and he reminds a bit of Russian Emperor, but still an unlikely player.



#11 KA YING GENERATION (IRE) (PP #4)
(Churchill {Ire}--War Goddess {Ire}, by Champs Elysees {GB}) O-Happy Ka Ying Syndicate; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd; T-Pierre Ng; J-Andrea Atzeni.
 Current Rating: 78

Demoted from an apparent victory in last year's G3 Gallinule S. when under the care of Donnacha O'Brien, the former Teutates got the blinkers off and belied odds of 17-1 to score over the Derby course and distance in Class 3 Feb. 4. Bothered at the break of the Classic Cup, he never reached contention, but even if forgiving, he's got a massive hill to climb here.



#12 ELLIPTICAL (AUS) (PP #2)
(Dundeel {NZ}--Marquise Da Rossa {Aus}, by Testa Rossa {Aus}) (A\$200,000 Wlg '20 MMJUL; A\$380,000 Ylg '21 MMGCYS) O-Karen Lo Ki Yan; B-Phoenix Broodmare Farm (NSW); T-Caspar Fownes; J-Brenton Avdulla. Current Rating: 76

Trained in Australia by Anthony and Sam Freedman and won the G3 C S Hayes S. just over a year ago. That's the good news. On the down side, he hasn't gone close in give local tries, including an 11th in the Classic Cup at 88-1. Gains a run as first reserve, but would be a total shock result.



#13 SIMPLE HEDGE (AUS) (PP #6)
(Sebring {Aus}--Lovani {Aus}, by Lonhro {Aus}) (A\$680,000 Ylg '21 INGEAS). O-Mr & Mrs Idon Pong; B-Kia Ora Stud Pty Ltd (NSW); T-John Size; J-Antoine Hamelin.
 Current Rating: 76

Won three of six starts in his first local prep and began this season on a rating of 73, but has not improved a great deal from there. He is winless in seven tries since, though he has finished runner-up in three of his last four, including when giving Massive Sovereign four pounds last time. He's done enough to earn the right to be here, but looks overmatched.



#14 STAR MAC (AUS) (PP #1)
(Heroic Valour {Aus}--Marma Got Style {Aus}, by Wicked Style) (A\$15,000 Ylg '21 MMMAR) O-Adrian Hassan; B-D Reynolds (Qld); T-David Hayes; J-Karis Teetan.
 Current Rating: 74

Has just a maiden win at Seymour in Victoria to his credit, but turned in cracking efforts in the first two legs of the Classic series. While it's hard to make a compelling argument he can win this, it won't be any surprise to see him running at them late.

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Big Caesar (Jpn)	Big Arthur (Jpn)	H. Yoshida	Nishizono	127
2	Mad Cool (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Sakai	Ikezoe	127
3	Namura Clair (Jpn)	Mikki Isle (Jpn)	Hamanaka	Hasegawa	123
4	Moza Meimei (Jpn)	Real Impact (Jpn)	Fujioka	Otonashi	123
5	Toshin Macau (Jpn)	Big Arthur (Jpn)	Lemaire	Takayanagi	127
6	Lugal (Jpn)	Duramente (Jpn)	Nishimura	Sugiyama	127
7	T M Spada (Jpn)	Red Spada (Jpn)	Tomita	Kihara	123
8	So Dazzling (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Take	Otanashi	123
9	Champagne Color (Jpn)	Duramente (Jpn)	Y. Yoshida	Tanaka	127
10	Victor The Winner (Aus)	Toronado (Ire)	Leung	Shum	127
11	Meikei Yell (Jpn)	Mikki Isle (Jpn)	Ikezoe	Take	123
12	Lotus Land	Point Of Entry	Iwata	Tsujino	123
13	Win Camelian (Jpn)	Screen Hero (Jpn)	Miura	Shikato	127
14	Mama Cocha (Jpn)	Kurofune (Jpn)	Kawada	Ikee	123
15	Divina (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Demuro	Tomomichi	123
16	Win Marvel (Jpn)	I'll Have Another	Matsuyama	Fukayama	127
17	Matenro Orion (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Yikoyama	Kon	127
18	Schwarz Kaiser (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Ono	Otake	127

Breeders: 1-Akira Makatsuji, 2-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd, 3-Mutsuhiro Namura, 4-Shadai Farm, 5-Hattori Bokujo, 6-Mishima Bokujo, 7-Kobayashi Stud, 8-Shadai Farm, 9-Yoichi Aoyama, 10-A Sangster, 11-Northern Racing, 12-Dr Aaron Sones & Naoya Yoshida (KY), 13-Cosmo View Farm, 14-Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc, 15-Northern Racing, 16-Cosmo View Farm, 17-Murakami Farm, 18-Ross Moorhead

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