



# THE HORSE TO BEAT IN THE DERBY? IT'S SIERRA LEONE



Sierra Leone won the 100th GI Toyota Blue Grass | Coady

### The Week in Review by Bill Finley

When Fierceness (City of Light) put on a show in the GI Florida Derby, there didn't seem to be any question over who the favorite would be in the GI Kentucky Derby. The Mike Repolehomebred put on quite a show that day, winning by a record 13 1/2 lengths while earning a 110 Beyer figure, the fastest dirt number recorded by any horse this year. He gave the impression that if he could duplicate that race in the Kentucky Derby, there wouldn't be a horse on the planet that could beat him that day. Then again...

Just seven days after the Florida Derby, Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) turned in a special performance of his own in the Gl Blue Grass S. at Keeneland. He didn't win by 13 1/2 lengths. The margin was just 1 1/2 lengths. He didn't get a triple digit Beyer. It was a 98. It was a very different race than the one turned in by Fierceness but was every bit as special, maybe even more so.

His story really begins at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. The Coolmore team and Peter Brant have a sharp eye for talent and it looks like this was a horse they had to have. They paid \$2.3-million for him, which made him the sale topper. With Brant involved, the horse was sent to his main trainer, Chad Brown.

# THE ARQANA BREEZE-UP: WHAT'S INTERESTING FOR AMERICANS? By Chris McGrath

The whole point of the breeze-ups is that the functionality of a pedigree is on display. Nowadays, in fact, breeze times are treated as though rendering more or less redundant all the painstaking surmise of the yearling sales. Pinhookers, having seen so many offbeat sires achieve knockout sales, can prioritize "run"--knowing that lot of prospectors won't even bother looking at the catalogue until the lots have shown their wares.

But it's for precisely that reason that European breeze-up consignors have increasingly been able to repair a dismal separation between the gene pools either side of the Atlantic. It doesn't matter if European buyers haven't even heard of a stallion, so long as they can piggyback the expertise of these exceptional judges who sieve the American market for a horse with the right mechanics. **Cont., p5** 

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Flavien Prat had glowing praise for his mount after Denim and Pearls took the GII Middleground Capital Beaumont S. with air to spare—to the tune of 91/4 lengths. | Coady

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### **DENIM AND PEARLS DOMINATES BEAUMONT**

In a tour de force befitting the excitement of opening weekend at Keeneland, Denim and Pearls all but ran off the screen en route to victory in the GII Middleground Capital Beaumont S.

### HONOR MARIE, TRACK PHANTOM WORK

The colts both put in their first works at Churchill Downs Sunday morning and the camps are reportedly satisfied with what they saw.



### Week In Review, cont. from p1

He broke his maiden in November at Aqueduct and came back in the GII Remsen S., where he staged an epic duel with Dornoch (Good Magic). He lost by a nose but Dornoch was hugging the rail on a day where the inside was the place to be.

Sierra Leone kicked off his 3-year-old season winning the GII Risen Star S. at the Fair Grounds. Catching Freedom (Constitution), who was third, went on to win the GII Louisiana Derby. Resilience (Into Mischief) was fourth in the Risen Star and came back in his next start to win the GII Wood Memorial.

But it was the Blue Grass where Sierra Leone really showed how special he is. He acted up prior to the start and delayed the race. That's oftentimes a kiss of death, but it proved not to be a problem. With Tyler Gaffalione aboard, he dropped back to ninth in the ten-horse field before launching his bid. Midway on the turn, he still had to get past six horses, which wasn't any sort of problem. He came with monstrous, ground gobbling strides and flew past Just a Touch (Justify) to win going away. He ran like a horse who should love the mile-and-quarter and one who has yet to peak.

"We're just trying to maintain pretty much the way he's been his whole life, a special horse," said Brown, who is 0-for-7 in the Derby. "I don't know if they ever fully figure it out, but he's only had a handful of starts."

So this was a race where Sierra Leone had to fight and show what he is capable of. He also beat some top quality horses in Just A Touch and GII Fountain of Youth winner Dornoch, who was fourth.

That wasn't at all the case for Fierceness in the Florida Derby. Perfectly ridden by Hall of Famer John Velazquez, he was wisely taken to the lead and Velazquez was able to slow the pace down. Fierceness was in front the whole way while posting tepid fractions. He went the first quarter in 24.06, the half in 47.50 and the three quarters In 1:11.31. **Cont.** 



Sierra Leone bounds away in the Blue Grass | Horsephotos

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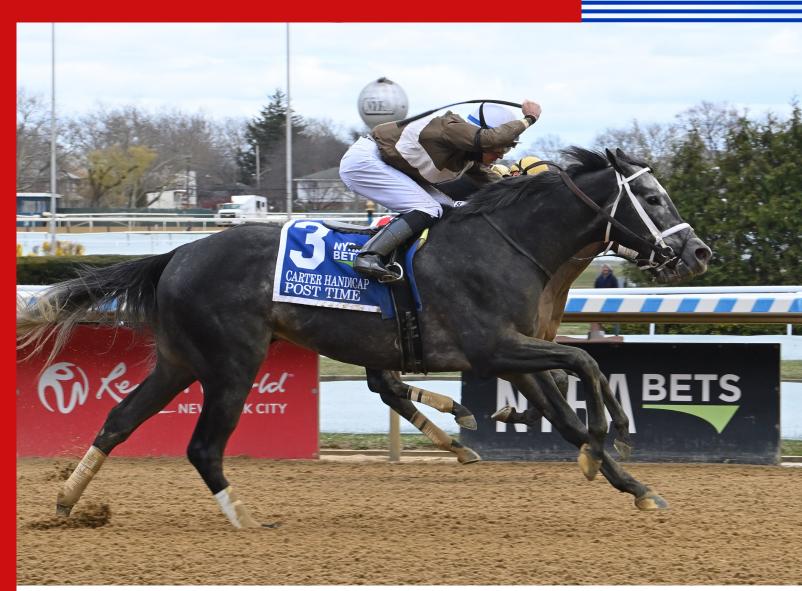
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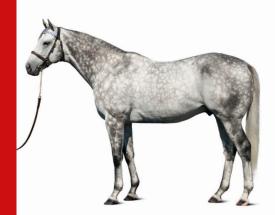
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# **POST HASTE**

Swooping widest and fastest, **Frosted**'s Post Time goes eight-from-nine to win the historic Carter Handicap.

Frosted already has 12 Black Type horses this year – the best among all stallions under \$40k. In fact, only Into Mischief, Quality Road, Justify and Liam's Map have more. Just imagine.



Darley

No one was ever going to catch him with the trip he was able to work out. And to make matters even easier on him, neither of his top two challengers fired. Conquest Warrior (City of Light) was fourth, beaten 16 lengths. Hades (Awesome Slew), the GIII Holy Bull S. winner, was even worse, finishing fifth, beaten 19 3/4 lengths. Catalytic (Catalina Cruiser), a 29-1 shot, was second and 21-1 shot Grand Mo the First (Uncle Mo) was third. Both will be among the longest shots on the board in the Kentucky Derby.

Then there is Fierceness's erratic nature. He runs well every other start and seems unable to overcome any adversity. In the Derby, with 20 horses, he's never going to get a clear, uncontested lead and a slow pace and probably, at some point will encounter some trouble. It's a very hard race in which to get a trouble-free trip.

When it comes to Fierceness-versus-Sierra Leone, the deciding factor could be the pace. As strong a late kick as he has, Sierra Leone still doesn't want to be 19th in the Derby with someone, maybe Fierceness, setting slow fractions. If Fierceness can get loose on the lead, he can absolutely win. Just don't expect that to happen in a 20-horse race where there is usually a pretty quick pace.

Even without Bob Baffert's participation, this looks like a deep Derby field with a lot of quality. Can Fierceness win? Despite his tendency to throw in bad races, absolutely. But he's

going to have to beat Sierra Leone and so will 18 other horses. He's the horse to beat.

### Post Time is on a Roll

The GII Carter at Aqueduct has seen better days. Once one of the most important sprint races on the calendar, it was downgraded to a Grade II for this year and the race attracted all of four horses. But the winner was notable.

Even with the small field, this was the biggest test to date for the Brittany Russell-trained Post Time (Frosted). He came into the race with seven wins from eight career starts but some were arguing that he was just beating up on inferior competition in Maryland. His lone defeat had come in the Perryville S. at Keeneland, the only time he had run outside of Maryland.

As expected, Super Chow (Lord Nelson) got off to an uncontested lead and was allowed to set easy fractions. He went in 24.38 and 48.18 and Post Time was last. He then got carried out to the middle of the track by Super Chow, who has a bad habit of bearing out in the stretch. Despite all that, he was able to get the win, beating Castle Chaos (Palace Music) by a neck.

With Elite Power (Curlin) and Gunite (Gun Runner) both having been retired, Post Time could be on his way to an Eclipse Award.

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### Argana Breeze-Up, cont. from p1

Of course, it does no harm if the page has some green streaks, whether in Europe or on turf in the U.S. But maybe the spectacular impact of Justify, following that made by his own sire, may help a few people remember how the European breed was once energized by Northern Dancer and his sons.

Even if that is only an incipient awakening, then the sheer volume of American stock in the Argana Breeze-Up Sale--48 individual entries from 34 different American-based sires--will guarantee plenty of competition even among those who will be coming to Deauville (May 9 breeze show, May 11 auction) in the hope of repatriating Kentucky horses broken in by European horsemen.

That was the case six years ago when Norman Williamson of Oak Tree Farm sold a War Front colt, a \$175,000 RNA at Keeneland the previous September, to Justin Casse for €250,000. Taken back to his native land, he became GI Preakness winner War of Will and now brings things full circle with a member of his first crop featuring as Hip 177.

Little wonder, then, if the Argana management is so eager to encourage American participation in this most cosmopolitan of catalogues. As Argana's Executive Director Freddy Powell notes, this relatively boutique sale has drawn no fewer than seven members of Justify's third crop-compared with eight in the imminent OBS Sale that encompasses four times as many lots.

"I wouldn't say we deliberately target American sires," says Powell, "but I would say that our vendors who are used to buying in America quite like the Deauville track. We go left-handed, it's a flat track, and I think it's something that naturally makes sense for an American horse. We're a little bit later in the year, but the chance is there is going to be better ground. I think more than anything, it just makes sense. As we know, pinhookers like things that make sense." Cont.



Freddy Powell and Marc de Chambure at the 2022 Breeze-Up Emma Berry photo



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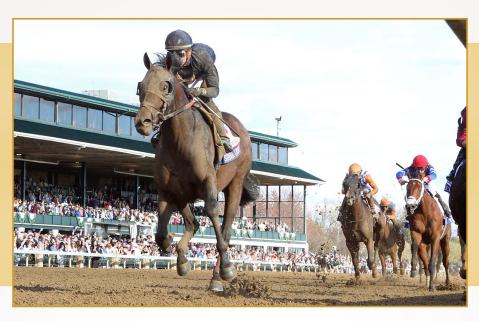
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### **DENIM AND PEARLS**

Saratoga Selected Yearling wins Beaumont S. (G2) at Keeneland.

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Last year's repatriated graduates already include West Point Thoroughbreds' Stretch Ride (Street Sense), third in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club last fall.

But while some pretty flashy pages will inevitably be struck out the moment the time sheets come through, from their catalogue pages alone, here is an early look at 12 offerings that will have obvious resonance for American visitors.

### Lot 7, c, Uncle Mo--Tocco d'Amore, MC Thoroughbreds

MC Thoroughbreds offers Europeans a familiar page through a colt bought for just \$30,000 at Keeneland. That's a startling sum on paper for a son of Uncle Mo out of Tocco d'Amore (Raven's Pass), who had cost Moyglare Stud €2 million as a yearling and won her only two starts including a 12f listed race at Naas. She represents a famous Kilcarn Stud family as half-sister to five-time Group winner Echo Of Light (GB) (Dubai Millennium {GB}) out of champion Salsabil (GB)'s Group 2-placed sister Spirit Of Tara (Ire) (Sadler's Wells).

### Lot 13, c, Maclean's Music--Unreachable, Powerstown Stud

Powerstown Stud's draft has an especially strong Bluegrass tint and features a very bold KeeSep pinhook in a \$310,000 Maclean's Music half-brother [13] to Lemon Pop (Lemon Drop Kid), a dual Group 1-winner in Japan. It all makes sense, though, when you look at his dam, a once-raced daughter of Giant's Causeway out of Harpia (Danzig), a graded stakes-winning sister to Danehill himself. He's a May foal but bred to be anything.

### Lot 14, c, Justify--Unrivaled Princess, Leamore Horses

That colt is followed into the ring by another with an aristocratic page: the first Justify on parade, presented by Leamore Horses after being recruited by Chad Schumer for \$105,000 at Fasig-Tipton last October.



Justify | Sarah Andrew

He's out of an unraced sister to triple Grade I-winning millionaire Unique Bella (Tapit), their dam of course being GI Ladies' Classic winner Unrivaled Belle (Unbridled's Song). This family continues to thrive, with the latter's half-sister having produced a leading sophomore last year in Raise Cain (Violence). The mare's first foal, a filly by Medaglia d'Oro, was retained by breeders Whisper Hill Farm and recently broke her maiden by 9 1/2 lengths.

### Lot 40, c, McKinzie--Belle's Finale, Malcolm Bastard

A real standout on paper is the McKinzie half-brother to none other than Up to the Mark (Not This Time) offered by Malcolm Bastard. This fellow contributed \$200,000 to his sire's impressive debut at the yearling sales when exported from Fasig-Tipton last October.

### Lot 55, c, Not This Time--Cloudy Dancer, Gaybrook Lodge

Not This Time--now looking the principal heir to Giant's Causeway--has a suitably versatile prospect in a colt out of an unraced Invincible Spirit (Ire) half-sister to Royal Ascot winner/Classic runner-up Gale Force Ten (GB) (Oasis Dream (GB)) from Gaybrook Lodge. This colt was alertly exported for \$62,000 at Keeneland, in that he represents a coveted family in Europe: the next dam is a listed winner out of a half-sister to fillies that respectively ran first and second in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. before subsequently delivering Group 1 winners and/or producers.

### Lot 61, c, Tiz The Law--Cozze Up Lady, Powerstown Stud

There will be much curiosity about the breeze of Hip 61, a colt from the debut crop of Tiz The Law who appears well found by Powerstown Stud at Fasig last fall for \$60,000. That's because his half-sister Kimari (Munnings) has made headlines on both sides of the ocean: she won a Keeneland maiden on debut by 15 lengths, and was then thwarted only in a photo for the G2 Queen Mary S. She again finished second at Royal Ascot the following year, this time at Group 1 level, before returning home to win the GI Madison S. back on dirt. On retirement she was bought by Coolmore for \$2.7-million, and her half-brother by Constitution made \$1.3-million as a yearling, so any sign of athletic ability in this colt will make him hot property.

### Lot 62, Justify--Curlylocks, Lynn Lodge Stud

But there probably isn't a page in the catalogue to surpass the next into the ring: a February 2 colt by Justify out of a lightly-raced sister to Churchill (Ire) and Clemmie (Ire). The latter was the first Group 1-winner by Galileo (Ire) over six furlongs, tapping into the speed of her stakes-winning dam Meow (Ire) (Storm Cat) and granddam Airwave (GB) (Air Express {Ire}), a special conduit of indigenous British speed. Cont.

If he can run at all, this lad will prove a characteristically inspired Mags O'Toole punt at Keeneland for \$135,000.

### Lot 63, c, Omaha Beach--Dad's Princess, Oak Tree Farm

Her colleague Norman Williamson of Oak Tree Farm presents another fascinating Keeneland import immediately afterwards. This Omaha Beach colt has already landed one knockout pinhook, Williamson having given \$150,000 for him nine months after he made just \$6,000 as a short yearling in the same ring.

### Lot 64, f, Justify--Damson, Kilminfoyle House Stud

The Americans are obviously intended to stick around, as next into the ring is another that could cause a transatlantic tug-of-war: a January filly by Justify out of elite runner and producer Damson (Ire) (Entrepreneur {GB}), subject of a \$155,000 docket at Keeneland and presented here by Kilminfoyle House Stud. Damson, who beat colts in the G1 Phoenix S. at two, produced another flying juvenile in Requinto (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) but there's also Aga Khan depth to the further family.

### Lot 136, c, Quality Road--Love Child, Longways Stables

Longways Stables went to \$150,000 at Keeneland for a Quality Road colt. The mare's first foal by the same sire is a winner, but the key here is that she's out of a lightly raced sister to none other than Serena's Song (Rahy), who has demonstrated due genetic prowess in delivering not only a multiple graded stakes winner on turf in Doubles Partner (Rock Hard Ten), but also the fertile producer Princess Serena (Unbridled's Song), dam of three Group 1 and/or Group 2 winners and second dam of two others.

### Lot 147, c, Bernardini--Morilles, Gaybrook Lodge

Gaybrook Lodge offers a colt from the final crop of Bernardini pinhooked for \$62,000 at Fasig October. He's out of a Montjeu (Ire) half-sister to graded stakes winner Indy Groove (A.P. Indy), their own dam a sibling to GI Super Derby winner Home At Last (Quadratic).

### Lot 177, c, War of Will--Promenade Review, C. F. Bloodstock

War of Will, poster boy for this sale, should definitely interest European breeders with the genes he's now recycling at Claiborne. But meanwhile C.F. Bloodstock has brought over a colt from his first crop, unearthed at Fasig last October for \$50,000. He's the second foal of a lightly raced half-sister to Promenade Girl (Carson City), winner of the GII Molly Pitcher and dam of triple Grade I winner Cavorting (Bernardini)--herself meanwhile celebrated as mother of Clariere (Curlin).

But Powell said he felt that there was much more on offer for Americans than American blood.

Of the 207 catalogued, he said, "There are 65 fillies in total, some very well-bred ones by typical European sires that could do well in the U.S. A Frankel (GB) filly (lot 60), two fillies by Kameko (164 and 178), a young, multiple graded-stakeswinning son of Kitten's Joy; and fillies by Lope De Vega, No Nay Never, and similar stallions who could appeal to American trainers or owners or people who want to add a bit of European blood to their broodmare band."

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The Ocala Breeders' Sales Company launched an action-packed week of under-tack shows ahead of its Spring 2-year-olds in Training Sale, which will run from Apr. 16 through Apr. 19.

A total of eight juveniles--half fillies and half colts--led the way Sunday morning with joint :9 4/5 moves. WinStar's freshman sire Improbable was the only sire to be represented by a pair of session-topping workers--Hip 131, a colt out of I Know That Mom (Distorted Humor) (S G V Thoroughbreds LLC), and Hip 133, a colt out of MSW and MGSP I'm Betty G (Into Mischief) (Wavertree Stables). Also among the fastest eighth-working colts Sunday was Hip 87, a Florida-bred colt by Neolithic out of Harbor Sunset (Fast Anna) (Grassroots Training & Sales LLC), in addition to a Florida-bred son of Army Mule, Hip 108, out of GSP Hermione's Magic (Forest Wildcat) (Envision Equine, Agent).

Leading the fillies Sunday were Hip 28, a daughter of Gun Runner out of Forest Valentine (Forestry) (de Meric Sales, Agent VIII); Hip 32, a Florida-bred by Girvin out of Foxy Mischief (Into Mischief) (Six K's Training & Sales LLC, Agent VI) and Hip 102, a Kentucky-bred daughter of Authentic out of GSP Heavenly Hill (City Zip) (Grassroots Training & Sales LLC). Cont.



A colt by Improbable was among the fastest breezers during **Sunday's OBS Spring Under-Tack Show** | Judit Seipert





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The connections of Hip 173 (Grade I Investments) hope that lightening can strike twice for Florida's freshman sire Win Win Win, who had a filly bring \$1.8 million to top the final session of the OBS March sale. Out of Lookin At Lucky's Jilly, the Sunshine State-bred filly is from the family of Grade I winners Roman Ruler and El Corredor.

A pair of juveniles posted a session-heading :20.3 quarter miles Sunday. Hip 166 (Tom McCrocklin), a filly by Uncle Mo, recorded the day's co-fastest time at the distance. A half-sister to GISP Be You (Curlin), the May 16 foal is out of Jacaranda (Congrats), herself a half-sister to Group 2 scorer Boynton (More Than Ready), in addition to dual Grade I winning sire Constitution. A colt by freshman sire Mr. Money (Hip 9) equaled the day's fastest time for Omar Ramirez Bloodstock. The Floridabred is out of Fast City (Half Ours).

Sessions begin each day at 8 a.m. The breeze schedule for the remaining days are: hips 174-345 on Monday; hips 346-518 on Tuesday, hips 519-690 on Wednesday; hips 691-863 on Thursday; hips 864- 1035 on Friday; and hips 1036-1208 on Saturday.

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# DENIM AND PEARLS DOMINATES BEAUMONT IN GRADED COMPANY DEBUT

In a tour de force befitting the excitement of opening weekend at Keeneland, **Denim and Pearls** (Into Mischief) all but ran off the screen en route to her career-first Graded victory in the GII Middleground Capital Beaumont S.

A winner by a nose at this venue on first asking Oct. 21, she parlayed that effort into a 3 1/2-length score at Churchill Downs in November against allowance optional claiming company. From there, her connections asked a bit more of their developing star when she moved to Oaklawn Park and tried two-turns, finishing second in the aptly named Years End S. on the last day of her juvenile season, and then making her 2024 bow Feb. 3 in a sloppy edition of the Martha Washington S. Cutting back to seven panels from 1 1/16-miles in that stakes try where she again played bridesmaid, it would be her time to shine here.

Content to watch after the jump as Vicountess (Lord Nelson) stepped up to set the early pace, Denim and Pearls traveled well from her spot in third as even-money public choice **Youalmosthadme** (Oxbow) pressed that one along. Ranging closer as :22.99 and :46.41 splits sailed by, she was still well in hand entering the lane after inhaling a tiring leader and her stablemate with an eye-catching spurt. Kicking away, she was 9 1/4 lengths ahead of a clearly second-best **Harbor Springs** (Lookin At Lucky), who came into the race off a six-length maiden romp and stumbled coming out of the gate.

Youalmosthadme held on for third despite it being her 2024 opener.

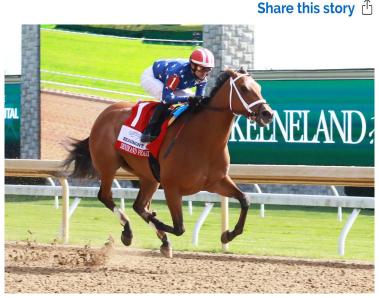
"It was a very good performance today. She was traveling well all the way around," said Flavien Prat. "I didn't want to move too soon but she just did it on her own, so I thought to let her run from there. She did the rest. It was a great move by [trainer] Brad [Cox] to cut back in distance as well."

When asked about it, Cox stated that the filly just didn't want to go that far and that her ownership group was content to let her do what she did best. "We were hoping she'd be a mile-and-an-eighth filly and we could march toward the [GI Kentucky Oaks], but [owner] Randy Gullat [of Red, White and Blue Racing] and the whole team are all about trying to do what's best for her and not make her do something she isn't capable of doing, and she rewarded them today."

### Pedigree Note

Most notably a full-sister to 'TDN Rising Star' Newgate, whose recent exploits include a gutsy victory in the GI Santa Anita H. and a ninth place effort in the G1 Dubai World Cup, Denim and Pearls hails from a racey female family as dam Majestic Presence is herself a Graded-placed half-sister to GSW Victress (Include), a stakes-placed nine-time winner in Korea, and to the dam of GSW My Majestic Rose (Majestic Warrior). The dominating Beaumont victress is her fourth to the races, and second to pick up a victory at the black-type level. Majestic Presence has also produced a 2-year-old Adeera (Authentic) as well as a 2024 filly by Life Is Good.

Sire Into Mischief continued his successes at the upper levels of racing having had runners claim the GII Wood Memorial and the GI Ashland, just miss in the GI Santa Anita Derby, and enjoyed the crowning of two new 'TDN Rising Stars' over the weekend.



**Denim and Pearls** | Coady

### Sunday, Keeneland

MIDDLEGROUND CAPITAL BEAUMONT S.-GII, \$395,063, Keeneland, 4-7, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:26.54, ft.

1--DENIM AND PEARLS, 118, f, 3, by Into Mischief



1st Dam: Majestic Presence (GSP-USA, MSP-Can, \$227,896), by Majestic Warrior

2nd Dam: Shining Victory, by Victory Gallop 3rd Dam: Phoenix Sunshine, by Encino

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.** (\$500,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG). O-Red White and Blue Racing LLC; B-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. \$244,900. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$457,435. \*Full to Newgate, GISW, \$535,775. Werk Nick Rating: A.

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- 2--Harbor Springs, 118, f, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Northern Michigan, by Broken Vow. 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED **BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Donamire Farm (KY); T-Gregory D. Foley. \$79.000.
- 3--Youalmosthadme, 118, f, 3, Oxbow--Good Gator, by Good and Tough. (\$12,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Resolute Racing; B-Pope McLean, Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$39,500.

### CRESTWOOD FARM BRED I FOALED I RAISED I SOLD

Margins: 9 1/4, 3, 1 3/4. Odds: 1.79, 8.71, 1.07.

Also Ran: Chi Chi, Tipsy Tammy, Vicountess.

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### HONOR MARIE, TRACK PHANTOM BACK ON **WORK TAB IN FIRST POST LA DERBY BREEZE**

The GII Louisiana Derby runner-up GSW Honor Marie (Honor Code) and fourth-place finisher GSW Track Phantom (Quality Road) returned to the work tab Sunday morning at Churchill Downs as they continue to train towards Kentucky Derby 150. In the early hours, Track Phantom breezed five furlongs in 1:02.00, the ninth fastest of 19 on the morning while sporting new equipment--a small set of blinkers. With Joel Rosario in the irons, the pair went in company with another Asmussen trainee and Track Phantom galloped out six furlongs in 1:15.20.

"I thought it was a nice first work getting back to Churchill," Asmussen's assistant trainer Scott Blasi said.



Track Phantom (outside) with workmate Gatlinburg (inside) Sunday morning at Churchill Downs | Coady

Two hours later, Honor Marie breezed a half-mile in :47.80 in company, the third fastest move of 36 others after finishing a length ahead of his workmate, and galloped out five furlongs in 1:01.60 as timed by Churchill clocker John Nichols.

"I thought it was a really good move for his first work back here at Churchill," conditioner D. Whitworth Beckman said. "He did well this winter down at Fair Grounds and the [GII] Risen Star is proving to be a very key race leading into the Derby."

The winner of said Risen Star was Saturday's GI Toyota Blue Grass victor 'TDN Rising Star' GISW Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) while fourth place finisher GSW Resilience (Into Mischief) would win New York's crowning Derby prep, the GII Wood Memorial, the same day. The third-place finisher from the Risen Star GSW Catching Freedom (Constitution) would win the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 23.

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### SEIZE THE GREY OWNERS ENJOY MEMORABLE BLUE GRASS EXPERIENCE

While they may not have received the end result they were hoping for, nearly 300 owners enjoyed a memorable weekend at Keeneland as their horse Seize the Grey (Arrogate) ran in the GI Blue Grass S.

A \$300,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga purchase for MyRacehorse trained by D. Wayne Lukas, Seize the Grey was coming into his Grade I debut off a third-place performance in the GIII Jeff Ruby Steaks S. The colt's connections were hoping that he would be able to run in the money in order to acquire enough points to earn a spot in the GI Kentucky Derby, but he proved to be overmatched this time around and finished seventh.



MyRacehorse owners at Keeneland | Katie Petrunyak

While his 27 points probably won't get Seize the Grey into the Kentucky Derby starting gate, his 2,000-plus owners have plenty to look forward to going forward and many will look back on an eventful weekend in Lexington.

Almost 300 MyRacehorse partners descended upon Lexington hailing everywhere from Washington and Virginia to Michigan and Florida. On Saturday, MyRacehorse hosted a tailgate at Keeneland so that owners could meet up ahead of the big race.

"It's hard to get everyone together, so we threw a tailgate so they could come at their leisure before going inside," said MyRacehorse's Caitlin Dunne. "Usually the only time we can get everybody together is the winner's circle, so if that happens, it's great. But if not, the biggest thing for us is getting to celebrate the experience of ownership. We've had this horse since he was a yearling so it has been fun for everyone to get to see him go from this pudgy little colt to this big, beautiful Arrogate colt."

Owners who arrived in Lexington ahead of Saturday's race were also able to watch Seize the Grey train in the morning.

"He shipped in on Wednesday and every morning we wanted to be able to get owners out to come watch him train," Dunne said. "D. Wayne and his assistant have been all-stars. They would bring him into the paddock every morning and stand him in front of the owners so they could take pictures with him."

Diana Kramer, a lifelong racing fan from Evansville, Indiana, is one of the many owners of Seize the Grey. She first learned about MyRacehorse in 2020.

"I started doing some research on it because I always wanted

to get involved if I could afford it," she explained. "I bought in on Authentic, so we kind of started at the top there."

Kramer was a fan of Hall of Famer Arrogate during his time on the racetrack, so when a son of his became available through MyRacehorse, she jumped at the chance to become involved. While Seize the Grey probably won't be running in the Kentucky Derby, Kramer and several other MyRacehorse partners already have plans for the first Saturday in May.

"There's a bunch of us that owned Authentic and became friends," said Kramer. "We all hang out and usually have a Derby party. We have an auction for the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund. Last year we raised \$6,000. It's a great way to meet other people who love racing and learn more about the industry."

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Denim and Pearls (Into Mischief) runs away with the GII Beaumont (click to watch)



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# **GRADED STAKES** ENTRIES



# Friday, Keeneland #9, post time: 5:16 p.m. EDT MAKER'S MARK MILE S.-GI, \$600,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Equitize (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz	123
2	Emmanuel 🛪	More Than Ready	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	123
3	Naval Power (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Gaffalione	123
4	Master of The Seas (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Buick	123
5	Kubrick (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Prat	123
6	Shirl's Speight	Speightstown	Charles E. Fipke	Attfield	Saez	123
7	Du Jour 🖛	Temple City	Baffert, Natalie J. and Lanni, Debbie	Baffert	Velazquez	123
8	Integration	Quality Road	West Point Thoroughbreds & Woodford Racing	McGaughey III	Dettori	123

**Breeders:** 1-Newsells Park & Ammerland GmbH & Co.KG, 2-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust, 3-Godolphin, 4-Godolphin, 5-White Birch Farm, SC, 6-Charles Fipke, 7-Woods Edge Farm, LLC, 8-Larkin Armstrong

# **Saturday, Keeneland #9, post time: 5:16 p.m. EDT JENNY WILEY S.-GI**, \$600,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Walkathon	Twirling Candy	Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC	Wilkes	Leparoux	123
2	Fluffy Socks	Slumber (GB)	Head of Plains Partners LLC	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	123
3	Elusive Princess (Fr)	Martinborough (Jpn)	LNJ Foxwoods, Elusive LLC, NK Racing and	Delacour	Alvarado	123
			Church Street Stable			
4	Embrace Me 🛪	Candy Ride (Arg)	Mark T. Anderson	Rutledge	Corrales	123
5	English Rose (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Buick	123
6	Gina Romantica 🖛	Into Mischief	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Gaffalione	123
7	Surge Capacity	Flintshire (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Rosario	123
8	Star Fortress (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	John D. Gunther & Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Saez	123
9	Didia (Arg)	Orpen	Merriebelle Stable	Correas, IV	Ortiz	123
10	Beaute Cachee (Fr)	Literato (Fr)	Madaket Stables LLC, Michael Dubb and	Brown	Dettori	123
			Louis Lazzinnaro LLC			

**Breeders:** 1-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC, 2-Head Of Plains Partners, 3-Mr. Jean-Philippe Dubois, 4-Stone Farm, 5-Godolphin, 6-Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & Craig Brogden, 7-Klaravich Stables, 8-Sahara Group/Eurowest/Sunderland Hldgs, 9-La Manija, 10-Gregor Vischer



# Saturday, Oaklawn #8, post time: 4:56 p.m. EDT COUNT FLEET SPRINT H.-GIII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Code Five	Top Hit	Triple AAA Ranch	Owens	Quinonez	113
2	Jaxon Traveler 🖛	Munnings	West Point Thoroughbreds	Asmussen	Prat	122
3	I'm Wide Awake	Laoban	Haran Thoroughbreds, LLC	Haran	De La Cruz	114
4	Skelly	Practical Joke	Red Lane Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	125
5	Perfect Dude	Majesticperfection	HX3 Incorporated	Fincher	Fuentes	123
6	Tejano Twist	Practical Joke	JD Thoroughbreds LLC and Joey Keith Davis	Hartman	Torres	123
7	Ryvit	Competitive Edge	L. William and Corinne Heiligbrodt	Asmussen	Asmussen	121
8	Happy Is a Choice 🛪	Runhappy	Hooties Racing LLC, WSS Racing, LLC and 4G Racing, LLC	Ortiz	Vazquez	117

**Breeders**: 1-Triple AAA Ranch, 2-Dr. & Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau, 3-Southern Equine Stables, LLC, 4-H. Allen Poindexter, 5-Todd Hansen & Shawn Hansen, 6-Tom Durant, 7-Curt Leake, 8-Builder's Mart, Inc.

# Saturday, Keeneland #10, post time: 5:48 p.m. EDT STONESTREET LEXINGTON S.-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Secret Chat	Union Rags	Gelfenstein Farm	Rodriguez	Rosario	118
2	The Wine Steward	Vino Rosso	Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David	Maker	Saez	118
3	Dilger (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Michael J. Ryan	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	118
4	Footprint	Dialed In	Greg McDonald	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	118
5	Hades	Awesome Slew	D. J. Stable LLC and Cotran, Robert	Orseno	Ortiz	120
6	How's Ur Attitude 🖛	Street Sense	Welch Racing LLC	Ennis	Beschizza	118
7	Everdoit	Gary D	Donald L. Ming	Rice	Concepcion	118
8	Encino	Nyquist	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Geroux	118
9	Liberal Arts	Arrogate	Ferraro, Evan and Ferraro, Stephen	Medina	Ortiz, Jr.	118
10	Lucky Jeremy 🖛	Lookin At Lucky	Jeremy Ramsland	Morey	Corrales	118

**Breeders:** 1-Gelfenstein Farm, 2-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC, Lakland Farm& Mark Toothaker, 3-Demers Bloodstock, 4-Greg B. McDonald, 5-Ocala Stud, Joseph M. O'Farrell III, David O'Farrell, et al., 6-Malibu Farm, LLC, 7-Don Ming, 8-Godolphin, 9-Stephen Ferraro & Evan Ferraro, 10-Mr. & Mrs. Craig L Minten

# Saturday, Keeneland #7, post time: 4:12 p.m. EDT GIANT'S CAUSEWAY S-GIII \$300,000, 3vo/up f/m 5.1/2fT

GIANT 5 CAUSEWAY 5GIII, \$300,000, 390/up, r/m, 5 1/2r1								
PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT		
1	Play the Music 🖛	Mo Town	Glassman Racing LLC	Casse	Ortiz	122		
2	Bling 🖛	American Pharoah	G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.	Oliver	Velazquez	122		
3	Jill Jitterbug	Cross Traffic	Shagbark Farm, LLC	Walsh	Machado	122		
4	Oeuvre	Shackleford	Richard Perkins	Block	Loveberry	122		
5	B G Warrior	Run Away and Hide	Keith Grass	Andrade	Jimenez	122		
6	Secret Money 🖛	Good Samaritan	Fortune Farm LLC, Robert G. Hahn and Matthew Hand	Walsh	Gaffalione	124		
7	Port Townsend	Uncle Mo	Blue Heaven Farm	DeVaux	Hernandez, Jr.	122		
8	Roses for Debra 🛷	Liam's Map	Cheyenne Stable LLC and O'Meara, John	Clement	Ortiz, Jr.	124		
9	Kissed by Fire	Friesan Fire	Commonwealth Thoroughbreds LLC, Exline-Border	Eurton	Smith	122		
			Racing LLC, Ocean Reef Racing & Aaron Kennedy					
10	Breeze Easy (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	It's All About The Girls Stable LLC	Catalano	Leparoux	122		
11	Elm Drive	Mohaymen	Little Red Feather Racing	D'Amato	Saez	122		
12	Love Reigns (Ire)	U S Navy Flag	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Ward	Rosario	122		
Also	o Eligible							
13	High Class 🖛	Into Mischief	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Hernandez, Jr.	122		

**Breeders:** 1-Laura McKinney, 2-Clarkland Farm LLC, 3-Ryan D. Walsh, 4-Richard Perkins, 5-Lou Dunn Diekemper Trust, 6-WinStar Farm, LLC, 7-Blue Heaven Farm, 8-Blackstone Farm LLC, 9-Barak Farm & Sharon Dodgen, 10-Lofts Hall Stud & B. Sangster, 11-Kenneth D'Oyen, 12-Patrick Grogan, 13-SF Bloodstock LLC

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### IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**PALISADES S.**, \$207,688, Keeneland, 4-7, 3yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.83,

1--FANDOM (GB), 118, c, 3, by Showcasing (GB)

1st Dam: Brogan (GB), by Pivotal (GB)

2nd Dam: Roger Sez (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire)

3rd Dam: Stately Princess (GB), by Robellino

(170,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.

O-Stonestreet Stables LLC; B-Chasemore Farm (GB);

T-Wesley A. Ward; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$113,150. Lifetime

Record: 3-2-0-0, \$145,375.

### Bred & Sold by Chasemore Farm

- 2--Mansa Musa (Ire), 118, c, 3, Ten Sovereigns (Ire)--Sundiata (GB), by Showcasing (GB). (60,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE; 55,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT; €49,383 RNA 2yo '23 GOFFDU). O-Team Valor International LLC and Gary Barber; B-Middlelane Farm (IRE); T-William I. Mott. \$36,500.
- 3--Refuel, 118, c, 3, Hard Spun--Quick Flip, by Speightstown. (\$550,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$22,813.

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Margins: NK, 3/4, NK. Odds: 7.75, 15.86, 5.70.

Also Ran: No Nay Mets (Ire), Mattingly, Silent Heart, Shards, My Boy Prince, Aspenite, Coin Miner, Ceepeegee, Committee of One. Scratched: Sketch (Ire), Works for Me.



Fandom | Coady

Unraced since fading from contention in last summer's G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot, Fandom (GB) returned a winner at the same meet where he broke his maiden while under wraps last spring, taking the Palisades S. at Keeneland Sunday. Racing wide under Jose Ortiz, who was winning his third consecutive race on the card, the 7-1 shot closed with a strong late surge to get by a group of runners on the line that included MGSW No Nay Mets (Ire) (No Nay Never). The latter got outpunched late after sizzling fractions of :21.59, :44.53, and :56.55.

"Last summer at Saratoga he had a lung infection, so we sent him back to [owner] Barbara [Banke's] farm to Ian [Brennan] and they got him healed up," said winning trainer Wesley Ward of the 170,000gns Tattersalls yearling purchase. "They trained him all winter long and did a fantastic job. The first day he got here I knew all I had to do was put him on cruise control."

Fandom's dam, a half to 2023 G1 Juddmonte Cheveley Park S. winner Lezoo (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}), has produced fillies the last two years in the UK: a now-2-year-old by Masar (Ire) and a yearling by Zoustar (Aus). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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**ANGELS FLIGHT S.**, \$101,000, Santa Anita, 4-7, 3yo, f, 6 1/2fT, 1:12.37, fm.

1--LAULNE (FR), 124, f, 3, by Starspangledbanner (Aus)

1st Dam: Lady Francesca (GB) (SP-Eng, SP-Fr,

\$104,074), by Montjeu (Ire)

2nd Dam: Purring, by Mountain Cat

3rd Dam: Memory's Gold, by Java Gold

(€750,000 2yo '23 ARARC). O-Madaket Stables LLC, Panic Stable LLC, Gerald Augustin-Normand, Robert V. LaPenta and William Strauss; B-Franklin Finance S.A. (FR); T-Philip D'Amato; J-Antonio Fresu. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 8-4-1-2, \$180,762. \*1/2 to Bartholomeu Dias (GB) (Mount Nelson {GB}), SW-Aus, \$413,821.

2--Alluring, 120, f, 3, Ghostzapper--Enthralling, by Arch. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Bass Stables, LLC (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella. \$20,000.

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3--Girl of My Dreams, 120, f, 3, Kantharos--Naples Dream, by Uncle Mo. (\$60,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Helm Racing Stable, Barbara Evenson and Jeffrey Lambert; B-Brookstone Farm & Lee Mauberret (KY); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$12,000.

Margins: NO, 1, 3/4. Odds: 2.70, 4.10, 16.60.

Also Ran: Antifona (Fr), Invincible Molly (GB), Zona Verde (Ire),

She Is Romantic. Scratched: Avoir, Rascality.

A successful runner in her native France, Laulne made six starts overseas and picked up a win in the G3 Prix Six Perfections S. at Deauville before making the trip to Santa Anita to contest last year's Breeders' Cup. While off the board after a bad trip in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, the Phil D'Amato trainee stayed in California and got back to winning ways Sunday. The 5-2 shot had to stay wide out of an outside draw but was always prominently placed behind Girl of My Dreams in her first try down the hill. With a clear running lane as the field crossed the dirt and entered the stretch, Laulne drove alongside Alluring late and just got the better end of the photo finish to pick up the win. Laulne is her dam's last reported offspring. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

**JOHN SHEAR S.**, \$100,500, Santa Anita, 4-7, 3yo, 6 1/2fT, 1:11.98, fm.

1--KING OF GOSFORD (GB), 122, c, 3, by Zoustar (Aus) 1st Dam: Miss Sugars (GB) (SW, \$105,102), by

**Harbour Watch (Ire)** 

2nd Dam: Three Sugars (Aus), by Starcraft (Nz)

3rd Dam: Hoh Dear (Ire), by Sri Pekan (32,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.

O-Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig, and Jeremy Peskoff; B-The Miss Sugars Partnership (GB); T-Philip D'Amato; J-Antonio Fresu. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-1, \$109,192.

2--Raging Torrent, 120, c, 3, Maximus Mischief--Violent Wave, by Violence. (\$27,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR). O-Mark Davis; B-Rodney J. Winkler & Alfonso Mazzetti (KY); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$20,000.

### Broken and Trained by Randy Bradshaw

### VINERY SALES GRADUATE

3--Miracle Mark, 120, g, 3, Constitution--Melody's Spirit, by Scat Daddy. O-Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC and Slam Dunk Racing; B-Nick Cosato (KY); T-Philip D'Amato. \$12,000. Margins: 1, 1 3/4, HF. Odds: 2.20, 10.60, 10.40.

Also Ran: Charge for Gold, Heart Headed, Practically Broke. Scratched: Nesso's Lastharrah.

King of Gosford (GB) kept his perfect American record intact and got his first stakes win to boot after a victory down the hill at Santa Anita in the John Shear S. Sunday. Sent from the rail, he was up close to the :21.95 pace from the inside, officially took the lead after crossing the dirt following a :43.71 half, and edged clear to hold off a closing Raging Torrent.

"Six and a half down the hill is just perfect for him," said winning rider Antonio Fresu. "I just let him be and he just dragged me there, when I asked him to quicken, he had a nice turn of foot and went straight to the line." New to the Phil D'Amato barn following an Irish campaign that saw him face European champion City of Troy (Justify) in his first career outing, King of Gosford came stateside late last year and made his U.S. debut Mar. 10 with a six-panel win in a sharp 1:08.66 on the Santa Anita lawn.

D'Amato and Fresu had teamed up one day prior to the John Shear to capture the GI Santa Anita Derby with Stronghold (Ghostzapper).

King of Gosford's dam, winner of the 2016 Blue Norther S. in Arcadia, sold to David Redvers for \$260,000 at the 2019
Keeneland November sale. Both of her latest produce, a 2-year-old colt and a yearling filly, are by Kameko. The juvenile was a €40,000 RNA at Goffs Orby last year, while the yearling fetched 32,000gns from Chelsea Banham at the Tattersalls December Foal Sale. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



King of Gosford | Benoit

**LAFAYETTE S.**, \$60,000, Evangeline Downs, 4-6, 3yo, 6f, 1:13.59, ft.

1--THE DONEGAL CLAN, 119, c, 3, Twirling Candy--Auntjenn (GSP, \$178,673), by Uncle Mo. (\$240,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Donegal Racing; B-Breffni Farm (KY); T-Dane Noel; J-C.J. McMahon. \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$108,575. \*1/2 to Petulante (Arrogate), GSW, \$254,555.

### LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE

- 2--Drewmania, 117, g, 3, St Patrick's Day--Cowgirl Lass, by
  The Big Beast. (\$55,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSAPR; \$40,000 2yo '23
  OBSOPN). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Norman Stables, LLC; B-Holley
  Rice (FL); T-Lonnie Briley. \$12,000.
- 3--Sweet Soddy J, 122, g, 3, Bee Jersey--Sweet Rhapsody, by Bring the Heat. O/B-Built Wright Stables LLC (KY); T-Raymond E. Ginter, Jr. \$6,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, 3 3/4. Odds: 1.40, 6.70, 3.30.

Also Ran: Garfish, Scat Free, Doublediamond Deal, Gone Elvis.

The Donegal Clan picked up his best win to date when taking a \$100,000 optional claimer at Fair Grounds two back in gate to wire fashion Jan. 18. A well-beaten fourth most recently at Oaklawn in the Ozark S. Feb. 10, he returned to Louisiana off a brief layoff. The 7-5 favorite was never far from the front but had to come with a wide move from mid pack turning for home and maintain his momentum to get past pacesetter Drewmania and earn his first stakes win. The 49th stakes winner for Twirling Candy, The Donegal Clan has a 2-year-old Curlin half-sister and a yearling half-sister by Constitution. Auntjenn returned to that WinStar stallion for 2024. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

### ALLOWANCE WINNERS



### IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**5th-Keeneland, \$120,000, Alw,** 4-7, (NW2\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:03.24, gd, 1 1/4 lengths.

RUN FOR THE HILLS (m, 5, Runhappy--Fast Resource {SW, \$171,603}, by Bob and John) has been in consistent form for much of the last year, only failing to finish in the money once in nine starts dating back to March 2023. Placed on the turf in each of her last three tries all at Gulfstream, the 2-1 favorite engaged three across the track for the lead, had to put away both of the runners to her inside as the trio straightened for home and last ahead of a closing Howboutdemapples (Tiznow) to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Notably, Run For The Hills's third dam Crystal Lady produced blue hen broodmare Leslie's Lady, the dam of no fewer than 4x champion Beholder (Henny Hughes), GISW Mendelssohn (Scat Daddy) and GISW and reigning leading general sire Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday). Fast Resource reported a Hard Spun colt last year and was bred back to Omaha Beach. Sales History: \$40,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$125,000 Ylg '20 FTKFEB; \$95,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 15-3-6-2, \$238,347. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO,

O-Gary Barber; B-Peter A. Berglar Racing Interests, LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.



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LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE





Justifiable Belle | Coady

**9th-Keeneland, \$106,265, Alw**, 4-7, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.25, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

JUSTIFIABLE BELLE (f, 4, Justify--Bow Bells {SW}, by Giant's Causeway) took six starts to break her maiden, getting through at Tampa over a mile nearly one year ago. Sold at Keeneland January for \$57,000 three months ago, she made her first start her new connections Sunday from the barn of Ian Wilkes. The 9-1 shot tracked from mid pack in fourth, came wide outside of pacesetter Tituba (Good Magic) and got up past that runner inside the final sixteenth to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Bow Bells has a 2-year-old American Pharoah colt, a yearling colt by Tiz the Law and returned to Tiz the Law for this year. Sales History: \$57,000 4yo '24 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$125,398. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Valley Partners, LLC; B-Jay Grandfield & Anne Cowley (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.

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**4th-Keeneland, \$88,517, Alw** (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 4-7, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45.85, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

LANDED (f, 3, Omaha Beach--Glory Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro) broke her maiden by 5 1/2 lengths while never headed at second asking Dec. 17 and came back as a 3-year-old to be caught late in the Maddie May S. Feb. 18. Trying her longest distance to date Sunday, the 7-2 shot again set the tempo and was comfortable up front through early fractions of :23.10 and :48.33. Befriended (Nyquist) tried to provide pressure off the turn but was ultimately second best as Landed went on for the 1 3/4-length win. A half-sister to both Espresso Shot (Mission

Impazible), MSW, \$516,625 and Venti Valentine (Firing Line), MSW & MGSP, \$753,600, Landed is her dam's youngest offspring while Glory Gold visited Uncle Mo for 2024. Sales History: \$220,000 Wlg '21 FTKNOV; \$500,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-1, \$111,660. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Lael Stables; B-Final Furlong Racing Stable & Maspeth Stable (NY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

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**3rd-Aqueduct, \$72,000, (S), Alw** (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-7, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39.86, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

THE SHOE LADY (f, 3, Upstart--Rosedale, by Itsmyluckyday) won nicely by five lengths in gate to wire fashion at second asking Feb. 24. Stretching out to the mile, the 5-2 third choice again showed speed but was pressed stride for stride by Thirteen Red Flags (Maximus Mischief). Briefly headed off the turn, she found another gear and spurted clear of the charging race favorite Walk With Me (Central Banker) to win by 3 1/4 lengths. Rosedale is a half-sister to the dam of both MGSW and sire Standford (Malibu Moon) and SW/MGSP Hedge Fund (Super Saver). This is also the family of European champion 2-year-old Johannesburg (Hennessy). The winner has a 2-year-old Honest Mischief half-sister and Rosedale reported another filly by Honest Mischief this year. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$82,300.

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O-Barry K. Schwartz; B-Stonewall Farm (NY); T-Christophe Clement.



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### MAIDEN WINNERS



### IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**6th-Keeneland, \$98,763, Msw**, 4-7, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:46.28, ft, 1 length.

SIDAMARA (f, 3, Arrogate--Spring in the Air {Ch. 2-year-old Filly-Can, GISW-USA, GSW-Can, \$930,318}, by Spring At Last), second on debut in the Gulfstream slop Mar. 6 while registering an 82 Beyer figure, added another sixteenth and came ready to show off for the home crowd, who sent her at 6-5. Carrying the Juddmonte silks, Sidamara broke sharply but Jose Ortiz eased the filly back to the penultimate spot before she moved up under her own power on the backstretch as the race unfolded with: 23.07 and: 47.50 fractions. The bay was unfazed as she encountered traffic, weaved through, and circled the leaders off the turn. She found her rhythm down the lane and was not for catching as Just Basking (Arrogate), who had kept her company at the back early on, closed within a length giving Juddmonte's late Arrogate the exacta. Spring in the Air was the Canadian champion 2-year-old filly of 2012, the same year she won Keeneland's GI Alcibiades S. She brought \$1.65 million from Nawara Stud at Keeneland November in 2015. The dam of Find (GB) (Frankel {GB}), GSP-Eng, \$602,891; Spring in the Air has a juvenile Constitution filly, a yearling Gun Runner filly and foaled another Constitution filly Feb. 24. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$71,975. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Juddmonte (KY); T-William I.Mott.



Sidamara | Coady

**5th-Aqueduct, \$80,000, Msw**, 4-7, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38.03, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

CAMERA (f, 3, Curlin--Cassies Dreamer {MGISP, \$239,250}, by Flatter), a \$1.05-million Saratoga yearling in 2022, set all the pace from the inside while well in hand. After solid: 24 and :48.48 fractions, she picked up the tempo off the turn and held sway by 1 3/4 lengths after repelling Catching Heat (Union Rags)'s threat. Camera was sent at 9-5 after a tough trip in her first start last July at the Spa when she stumbled hard and failed to engage. Freshened since that effort, she reappeared Mar. 9 at Tampa with a third after bumping out of the gate and finding the front late only to be caught by a pair at the wire. Camera is out of MGISP Cassies Dreamer, who returned to Curlin for a fullsibling to the winner this term. Hailing from the same family as GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf winner More Than Real (More Than Ready), the mare has a 2-year-old colt by Authentic and a yearling colt by Twirling Candy. Sales History: \$1,050,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$47,830. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Robert V. LaPenta, Stonestreet Stables LLC and Madaket Stables LLC; B-GMP Stable LLC (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher.

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### FIRST WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

**1st-Keeneland, \$74,144, Msw**, 4-7, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.44, ft, head.

THE QUEENS M G (f, 2, Thousand Words--Show Queen, by **Grindstone**) became her freshman sire's first winner Sunday. One of the longest shots on the board at 45-1, she flashed early speed from the far outside gate but was quickly confronted by West Memorial (Caracaro) to her inside on the run around the far turn. That pair opened up a sizable gap to the rest of the field with The Queens M G just getting the better of the photo finish to win at first asking. West Memorial was valiant in defeat on the rail and it was 11 lengths back to Island Ride (Catalina Cruiser) in third. The first winner sired by MGSW Thousand Words, The Queens M G counts GSW/GISP and \$5m FTKNOV broodmare Untouched Talent (Storm Cat) and GI Arkansas Derby winner Bodemeister (Empire Maker) among her extended family members. Also under that third dam is MGISW and \$3m FTKNOV purchase She's A Julie (Elusive Quality). Show Queen is due to Independence Hall this spring. Sales History: \$3,500 Ylg '23 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$45,880. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Israel Acevedo; B-T.F. VanMeter, Samuel Hernandez, Jesus

Torres, Justin Vinalay (KY); T-Israel Acevedo.

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**4th-Gulfstream, \$48,000, Msw**, 4-7, 3yo, f, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.26, ft, 3 lengths.

MAJESTIC VENEZUELA (f, 3, Mendelssohn--Downtown Diva, by Giant's Causeway) got the job done after repeatedly knocking on the door and upping her Beyer figures ever so slightly in each effort. Last seen third over this surface Feb. 3 going about 40 yards further behind Saturday's GII Appalachian S. fifth Poolside With Slim (Ire) (Churchill (Ire), Majestic Venezuela broke on top from the one hole at 8-5, registered :25.49 and :50.81 initial fractions, and repelled all challengers on the turn to put three lengths on the field in the stretch. Midsummer Mo (Mendelssohn) chased her home. The winner is a half to Venezuelan Hug (Constitution), GSW, \$252,830. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-1, \$67,250. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Orlyana Farm (KY); T-Victor Barboza, Jr.

**9th-Hawthorne, \$32,260, Msw**, 4-7, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:45.24, sy, 3 1/4 lengths.

TWAS LOLA (f, 3, Violence--Doting, by Flatter), making her debut against a bevy of more-experienced runners, bumped shortly after the break, settled under a hold into a stalking spot, and tracked from second just behind :24.21 and :48.39 early fractions. She took a joint leadership position on the turn, gradually drawing clear in the slop to win by 3 1/4 lengths at 8-1 over favored Boltoro (Bolt d'Oro). The winner, a Carolyn Wilson homebred, has a yearling sister by Knicks Go. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Carolyn M. Wilson (FL); T-Larry Rivelli.



Imperatorius, c, 3, Hard Spun--Julie's Jewelry (SP, \$105,919), by Distorted Humor. Pisa, 4-7, Hcp, €13,200, 1750mT, 1:44.20, gd. O/T-Scott Racing Stable Soc Al Srls. B-Kinga Farm (KY). \*\$67,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$7,000 2yo '23 OBSJUN. VIDEO

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### **SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, APRIL 8**

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Charming Kitten (Kitten's Joy), Breakway Farm 25 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Charming Casita, 10-1 \$13,200 IND MIX yrl

2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Charming Jazel, 7-2

\$1,700 IND MIX yrl

3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Hoosier Daddy Now, 6-1

RNA IND MIX yrl

2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, No Laca Charm, 8-1

**Dreamliner** (More Than Ready), CI-The Speedhorse Farm 9 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 8-Mahoning Valley, 4:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Dreamingabouttime, 6-1

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000 231 foals of racing age/42 winners/3 black-type winners 4-Mahoning Valley, 2:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Beautiful Charade, 4-1

One Sided (Quality Road), R. A. Rowe Farms 14 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Mahoning Valley, 4:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Angie's Dear One, 15-1 \$1,200 OTB OMX yrl

Qafeef (Ghostzapper), Patrick Farm 13 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Crimson Moon Ghost, 30-1

Shagaf (Bernardini), Indiana Stallion Station 15 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Sir Xander, 5-1

### Take Charge Tapit (Tapit)

5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 12:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Mr Bobby Boucher, 30-1

Team Six (Lion Heart), Hurst Racing Stables 3 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Mahoning Valley, 4:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Miss Six, 15-1





### **STAKES RESULTS:**

**SUNLAND PARK H.**, \$200,000, Sunland, 4-7, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:49.26, ft.

1--PRESIDENTIAL, 122, h, 5, Pioneerof the Nile--Uptown Twirl (MSW, \$170,714), by Twirling Candy. (\$625,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Courtlandt Farms (Donald Adam); B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen; J-Luis A. Fuentes. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 20-5-6-1, \$517,660.

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2--Bender, 120, g, 6, Curlin--Bend, by Arch. (\$575,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Alfred Alvarado; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Martin Valdez-Cabral, Jr. \$40,000.

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3--Mine That Star, 124, h, 7, Pioneer of the Nile--Mining My Own, by Smart Strike. (\$775,000 Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$35,000 3yo '20 KEENOV). O-Judge Lanier Racing, LLC; B-Phil & Judy Needham, Bena Halecky & WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci. \$20,000.

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Margins: NK, 3/4, 12 1/4. Odds: 2.60, 6.80, 1.40

ECLIPSE S., \$175,000, Oaklawn, 4-7, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09.54, ft. 1--EDGE TO EDGE, 118, h, 6, Competitive Edge--Brief Mark, by Benchmark. (\$40,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$45,000 RNA Ylg '19 ARZNOV). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Peggy Thompson; B-Yeamans Racing Stable, LLC (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman; J-Rafael Bejarano. \$91,875. Lifetime Record: GSP, 32-7-4-9, \$578,735. \*1/2 to He's Munnie (Munnings), SP, \$233,577.

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- 2--Gun Pilot, 123, c, 4, Gun Runner--Bush Pilot, by Smart Strike. O/B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$30,625.
- 3--Tapatio Leo, 123, g, 4, Stay Thirsty--Sweet Lips Pooh, by Rio Verde. (\$110,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**O-Griffin Stables LLC, Terry Lovinger, Amanda Navarro, John M. Ryan and John Moroney; B-Terry C. Lovingier (CA); T-Peter Miller. \$15,313.

Margins: 1, 4 3/4, 2. Odds: 5.10, 1.60, 4.00.

**ECHO EDDIE S.**, \$127,000, Santa Anita, 4-6, (S), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16.61, ft.

- 1--SHADY TIGER, 122, g, 3, by Smiling Tiger--Divine Legacy (SP, \$168,448), by Full Mandate. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.

  O/B-Rusty Brown (CA); T-Philip D'Amato; J-Juan J. Hernandez.

  \$75,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$166,400.
- 2--Stay On the Fence, 120, c, 3, Pavel--Factor of Two, by The Factor. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Reddam Racing, LLC (CA); T-Antonio C. Garcia. \$25,000.
- 3--**Two by Four**, 120, g, 3, Clubhouse Ride--Sausalito Sunset, by Slew's Tiznow. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Legacy Ranch, Inc. (CA); T-Craig Anthony Lewis. \$15,000.

Margins: 5HF, NO, 1. Odds: 3.00, 27.80, 7.60.

**MINE THAT BIRD DERBY**, \$125,000, Sunland, 4-7, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44.53, ft.

- 1--ALOTALUCK, 121, g, 3, by Sir Prancealot (Ire)--Colinda Dawn, by Lucks Mine. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Eleanor Martin (CA); T-Ty J. Garrett; J-Tracy J. Hebert. \$75,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 4-2-2-0, \$207,360.
- 2--No Trouble, 121, g, 3, World of Trouble--Philadelphia Gold, by Touch Gold. (\$20,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**O-Jim Volk; B-Hill 'n' Dale Syndicated Stallions, Inc. & Sheltowee Farm (KY); T-Joel H. Marr. \$25,000.

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3--Young Pope, 121, g, 3, Catholic Boy--Queen Eli, by Candy Ride (Arg). (\$300,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$9,000 2yo '23 KEENOV).

1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Judge Lanier Racing, LLC and H.P. Drought and Company; B-Dell Ridge Farm, LLC, Head Of Plains Partners & Madaket Stables (KY); T-Joel J. Gonzales. \$12,500.

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Margins: 2HF, 4 3/4, 5. Odds: 0.05, 24.60, 25.20.

**ISLAND FASHION S.**, \$125,000, Sunland, 4-7, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38.23, ft.

- 1--ONLY ONE AMERICA, 118, f, 3, by Marking--That's the Idea (MSW, \$291,275), by Diabolical. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-J. Kirk Robison and Judy Robison (CA); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Tracy J. Hebert. \$77,500. Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-1, \$123,580. \*1/2 to Competitive Idea (Competitive Edge), MSW, \$477,150.
- 2--Deviletta, 116, f, 3, Gun Runner--Devilite, by Tapit.

  1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY);
  T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$27,500.
- 3--Everleigh's Queen, 118, f, 3, Eddington--Riverboat Queen, by English Channel. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Jim Volk (TX); T-Joel H. Marr. \$12,500.

Margins: 5 1/4, 3/4, 1. Odds: 5.20, 0.50, 8.30.

**EVANGELINE MILE S.**, \$100,000, Evangeline Downs, 4-6, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:38.26, ft.

1--KUPUNA, 116, g, 5, Hard Spun--Hanalei Hailey, by Malibu Moon. (\$140,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.

O-Wayne Sanders and Highlander Training Center;

B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC & Greg Biagi (KY);

T-W. Bret Calhoun; J-Mitchell Murrill. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 17-4-5-2, \$385,503.

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2--Five Star General, 122, h, 8, Distorted Humor--Party of Interest, by Bernardini. (\$235,000 RNA Ylg '17 KEESEP; \$180,000 3yo '19 FTKHRA; \$110,000 6yo '22 FTDIGD).

O-Elttaes Stable; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Grant T. Forster. \$20,000.

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3--Chrome Baby, 118, h, 5, California Chrome--Star Super, by Super Saver. (\$70,000 Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$25,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Levings Racing; B-TaylorBrothers Properties, George Saufley, et al (KY); T-Juan Larrosa. \$10,000.

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**PEPPERS PRIDE H.**, \$100,000, Sunland, 4-7, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.41, ft.

- 1--CORRINA CORRINA, 126, m, 5, Mr. Trieste--Scared Money, by Carson City. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Derrick Jenkins (NM); T-Gary W. Cross; J-Tracy J. Hebert. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 26-13-10-2, \$893,870.
- 2--**First Again**, 122, f, 4, Axiomatic--Mia's First, by Malabar Gold. O/B-Larry E. Young (NM); T-Danny Morales. \$20,000.
- 3--Whisper's Mark, 120, f, 4, Marking--Whisper's Sister, by Ghostly Moves. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Ritchie W. Yarbar, Brent Nichols and Billy Joe Coombs; B-Joe Milam (NM); T-Simon J. Buechler. \$10,000.

Margins: 4, 3HF, 2HF. Odds: 0.05, 11.40, 16.30.

**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY H.**, (NB) \$100,000, Sunland, 4-7, (S), 4yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:41.31, ft.

- 1--LET HIM BE, 125, g, 4, Sway Away--Bertrando's Lady, by Bertrando. O-V Bar V Racing LLC; B-Jim Volk (NM); T-Joel H. Marr; J-Miguel T. Fuentes, Jr. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: SW, 8-7-1-0, \$318,740.
- 2--**Thunder Dome**, 123, g, 10, Dome--Lauren Lynn, by Hadif. O-Bill Carson; B-Frank Richardson & Mooring (NM); T-Dallas J. Barton. \$20,000.
- 3--Antonios Mark, 123, g, 4, Marking--Bekat Bekat, by Lawyer Ron. O-Andy A. Banegas; B-Fred Alexander (NM); T-Dallas J. Barton. \$10,000.

Margins: 1HF, 1 1/4, 6. Odds: 1.00, 13.10, 8.80.

### **ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**11th-Santa Anita, \$82,962**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-6, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:33.84, fm, 1/2 length.

ALIGATO (g, 7, Kitten's Joy--Pretty Hard, by Rock Hard Ten) Lifetime Record: SW, 17-3-5-7, \$399,232. O-Double L Racing; B-Bob Liewald & Joe Mishak (CA); T-Mark Glatt. \*\$190,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP.

**7th-Aqueduct, \$81,840**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-7, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:36.02, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

WINIT (g, 5, Tapit--I Like to Whim, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-2, \$305,713. O-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC; B-Debby M. Oxley (KY); T-John C. Kimmel. \*\$410,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

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**3rd-Santa Anita, \$68,500**, (S), 4-7, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2fT, 1:12.89, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

**GRAZEN IN THE SUN (m, 5, Grazen--Spiced Latte, by Corinthian)** Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-0, \$86,024. O-Seahawk Racing; B-Moger Inc. (CA); T-Mark Glatt.

**4th-Laurel, \$54,445**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$62,500), 4-7, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:03.81, ft, 3/4 length.

CATAHOULA MOON (c, 3, Golden Lad--Access to the Moon, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: SW, 11-3-4-1, \$186,770.
O-Super C Racing Inc.; B-Angela Coombs (MD); T-John J. Robb.
\*\$19,000 Wlg '21 FTIDEC; \$20,000 Ylg '22 EASOCT.

**7th-Laurel, \$48,600**, (C), 4-7, (C), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.17, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

SHADY MUNNI (g, 5, Friesan Fire--Munning's Favorite, by Munnings) Lifetime Record: 30-7-5-2, \$245,446. O-Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Jagger, Inc.; B-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman & Rebecca Davis (MD); T-Jamie Ness. \*\$2,500 Wlg '19 EASDEC; \$20,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT.

**5th-Sunland, \$44,300**, (S), 4-7, (C), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.76, ft, 7 1/2 lengths.

MASSIVE ROAR (g, 5, Sway Away--Kiki Chacer, by Stormello) Lifetime Record: SP, 24-7-7-4, \$397,266. O/B-The Quarter Company LLC (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher.

**4th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$37,700**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 4-7, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.28, fm, 1 length.

**EYES ON THE KING (c, 4, Street Sense--Nickel, by Unbridled's Song)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-4-1-2, \$118,420. O-M Racing Group, LLC; B-Rigney Racing LLC (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \*\$485,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

**6th-Evangeline Downs, \$35,000**, (S), 4-6, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.77, ft, 1/2 length.

**BLUE RIDGE QUEEN (m, 6, Lewis Michael--Cajun Heat, by Latent Heat)** Lifetime Record: 22-5-4-3, \$91,605. O-Amie D. Miller; B-Circle H Farm (LA); T-Brent Toups.

**10th-Sam Houston Race, \$34,500**, 4-7, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.21, ft, 5 lengths.

TWIN MISCHIEF (f, 4, Into Mischief--Front Range {GSP}, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$133,495. O/B-Mike G. Rutherford (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \*1/2 to American Monarch (American Pharoah), SP, \$274,628.

**8th-Sam Houston Race, \$34,500**, 4-7, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.24, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

BIG BERNIE (h, 5, Bernardini--I'm So Fancy, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 17-2-7-4, \$102,429. O-Martiniano Martinez; B-Nursery Place & Godolphin (KY); T-Mindy J. Willis. \*\$4,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$30,000 2yo '21 TTAAPR.

**6th-Charles Town, \$27,400**, 4-6, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52.04, ft, 1/2 length.

**TEACHINTHERELEASE (g, 4, Windsor Castle--Romantic Cork {MSW, \$242,776}, by Denis of Cork)** Lifetime Record: 19-6-8-1, \$160,573. O-KP Racing Stables, LLC; B-John A. Casey (WV); T-Kristy Petty. \*1/2 to Jubawithatwist (Juba), MSW, \$154,563.

**7th-Charles Town, \$27,400**, 4-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:27.40, ft, 1/2 length.

RAGTIME RICHES (g, 4, Point of Entry--Miss Clairton {GB}, by Marju {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 19-4-4-5, \$90,796. O-Timothy Freitag; B-Timothy Rooney (MD); T-Donald C. Barber. \*\$17,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT; \$40,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

**6th-Golden Gate Fields, \$24,091**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-6, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:37.93, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

TAMARANDO STAR (g, 3, Tamarando--Antares World {MSW & GISP, \$438,328}, by Decarchy) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$36,150. O-Larry and Marianne Williams; B-Larry Williams (ID); T-Jeff Bonde.

### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Bull's Legacy**, f, 3, **Bullsbay**--Sky's Legacy, by Dixie Union. Charles Town, 4-6, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.30. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$27,075. B-Ronney Brown (WV).

Wampus Kitten, f, 3, Catalina Cruiser--Miss Luna, by Henny Hughes. Oaklawn, 4-7, (C), 6f, 1:12.25. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$50,142. B-Springland Farm (KY). \*\$42,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$95,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP.

**Bit's Tiger Magic**, f, 3, **Smiling Tiger**--Magic School (SP, \$193,176), by In Excess (Ire). Santa Anita, 4-7, (S), 6fT, 1:08.90. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$52,000. B-Harris Farms & Mike & Jeanne Lepore (CA). \*\$30,000 Ylg '22 FTCAYR.

**Trust Anabelle**, f, 3, **Unbridled Trust**--Annie P., by Roll Hennessy Roll. Sunland, 4-7, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.66. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$36,880. B-Mary Lee Pinkerton (NM).

Shattuck, g, 3, Upstart--Thisizsparta, by Corinthian. Oaklawn, 4-7, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:46.47. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$43,196. B-Paul Tackett Revocable Trust & Nick Mamatas (KY). \*\$45,000 RNA Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$25,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

Coolwind, g, 4, City of Light--Fallseed, by Forest Wildcat.
Golden Gate Fields, 4-7, 1m (AWT), 1:38.18. Lifetime
Record: 5-1-3-1, \$25,900. B-T/C Stable, LLC (KY). \*\$710,000
Ylg '21 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Ivy Bell (Archarcharch), GSW &
MGISP, \$599,087 & Mannford (Ready's Image), MSP,\$378,118.

### LEGACY

The Big Cheeseola, g, 4, Mr. Big--Steamy Novel, by Heatseeker (Ire). Santa Anita, 4-7, (S), (C), 6f, 1:12.55. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$35,400. B-George Krikorian (CA). \*\$30,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR. \*\*Full to Big Novel, MSP, \$370,902.

Playmate, f, 4, Quality Road--Takrees (SW & GSP, \$248,740), by Daaher. Evangeline Downs, 4-6, 1mT, 1:39.78. Lifetime Record: 10-1-0-1, \$36,345. B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY). \*\$30,000 3yo '23 KEENOV.

**Not Now Victoria**, m, 5, **Not This Time**--Static Charge, by Ghostzapper. Sunland, 4-7, 5 1/2f, 1:04.54. Lifetime Record: 10-1-4-1, \$47,439. B-Jeff Zlonis & Kari Provost (KY). \*\$9,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV.

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**Bernardini**, Big Bernie, h, 5, o/o I'm So Fancy, by Unbridled's Song. ALW, 4-7, Sam Houston

**Bullsbay**, Bull's Legacy, f, 3, o/o Sky's Legacy, by Dixie Union. MSW, 4-6, Charles Town

Catalina Cruiser, Wampus Kitten, f, 3, o/o Miss Luna, by Henny Hughes. MCL, 4-7, Oaklawn

**City of Light**, Coolwind, g, 4, o/o Fallseed, by Forest Wildcat. MSW, 4-7, Golden Gate

**Competitive Edge**, Edge to Edge, h, 6, o/o Brief Mark, by Benchmark. Eclipse S., 4-7, Oaklawn

**Curlin**, Camera, f, 3, o/o Cassies Dreamer, by Flatter. MSW, 4-7, Aqueduct

**Friesan Fire**, Shady Munni, g, 5, o/o Munning's Favorite, by Munnings. ALW, 4-7, Laurel

**Golden Lad**, Catahoula Moon, c, 3, o/o Access to the Moon, by Malibu Moon. AOC, 4-7, Laurel

**Grazen**, Grazen in the Sun, m, 5, o/o Spiced Latte, by Corinthian. ALW, 4-7, Santa Anita

**Hard Spun**, Kupuna, g, 5, o/o Hanalei Hailey, by Malibu Moon. Evangeline Mile S., 4-6, Evangeline

**Into Mischief**, Denim and Pearls, f, 3, o/o Majestic Presence, by Majestic Warrior. GII MiddleGround Capital Beaumont S., 4-7, Keeneland

**Into Mischief**, Twin Mischief, f, 4, o/o Front Range, by Giant's Causeway. ALW, 4-7, Sam Houston

**Justify**, Justifiable Belle, f, 4, o/o Bow Bells, by Giant's Causeway. ALW, 4-7, Keeneland

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**Lewis Michael**, Blue Ridge Queen, m, 6, o/o Cajun Heat, by Latent Heat. ALW, 4-6, Evangeline

**Marking**, Only One America, f, 3, o/o That's the Idea, by Diabolical. Island Fashion S., 4-7, Sunland

**Mendelssohn**, Majestic Venezuela, f, 3, o/o Downtown Diva, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 4-7, Gulfstream

**Mr. Big**, The Big Cheeseola, g, 4, o/o Steamy Novel, by Heatseeker (Ire). MCL, 4-7, Santa Anita

**Mr. Trieste**, Corrina Corrina, m, 5, o/o Scared Money, by Carson City. Peppers Pride H., 4-7, Sunland

**Not This Time**, Not Now Victoria, m, 5, o/o Static Charge, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 4-7, Sunland

**Omaha Beach**, Landed, f, 3, o/o Glory Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro. AOC, 4-7, Keeneland

**Pioneerof the Nile**, Presidential, h, 5, o/o Uptown Twirl, by Twirling Candy. Sunland Park H., 4-7, Sunland

**Point of Entry**, Ragtime Riches, g, 4, o/o Miss Clairton (GB), by Marju (Ire). ALW, 4-6, Charles Town

Quality Road, Playmate, f, 4, o/o Takrees, by Daaher. MSW, 4-6, Evangeline

**Runhappy**, Run for the Hills, m, 5, o/o Fast Resource, by Bob and John. ALW, 4-7, Keeneland

**Showcasing (GB)**, Fandom (GB), c, 3, o/o Brogan (GB), by Pivotal (GB). Palisades S., 4-7, Keeneland

**Sir Prancealot (Ire)**, Alotaluck, g, 3, o/o Colinda Dawn, by Lucks Mine. Mine That Bird Derby, 4-7, Sunland

**Smiling Tiger**, Bit's Tiger Magic, f, 3, o/o Magic School, by In Excess (Ire). MSW, 4-7, Santa Anita

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**Smiling Tiger**, Shady Tiger, g, 3, o/o Divine Legacy, by Full Mandate. Echo Eddie S., 4-6, Santa Anita

**Starspangledbanner (Aus)**, Laulne (Fr), f, 3, o/o Lady Francesca (GB), by Montjeu (Ire). Angels Flight S., 4-7, Santa Anita

**Street Sense**, Eyes On the King, c, 4, o/o Nickel, by Unbridled's Song. AOC, 4-7, Tampa Bay

**Sway Away**, Let Him Be, g, 4, o/o Bertrando's Lady, by Bertrando. New Mexico State University H., 4-7, Sunland

**Sway Away**, Massive Roar, g, 5, o/o Kiki Chacer, by Stormello. ALW, 4-7, Sunland

**Tamarando**, Tamarando Star, g, 3, o/o Antares World, by Decarchy. AOC, 4-6, Golden Gate

**Tapit**, Winit, g, 5, o/o I Like to Whim, by Medaglia d'Oro. AOC, 4-7, Aqueduct

**Thousand Words**, The Queens M G, f, 2, o/o Show Queen, by Grindstone. MSW, 4-7, Keeneland

**Twirling Candy**, The Donegal Clan, c, 3, o/o Auntjenn, by Uncle Mo. Lafayette S., 4-6, Evangeline

**Unbridled Trust**, Trust Anabelle, f, 3, o/o Annie P., by Roll Hennessy Roll. MSW, 4-7, Sunland

**Upstart**, Shattuck, g, 3, o/o Thisizsparta, by Corinthian. MCL, 4-7, Oaklawn

**Upstart**, The Shoe Lady, f, 3, o/o Rosedale, by Itsmyluckyday. AOC, 4-7, Aqueduct

**Violence**, Twas Lola, f, 3, o/o Doting, by Flatter. MSW, 4-7, Hawthorne

**Windsor Castle**, Teachintherelease, g, 4, o/o Romantic Cork, by Denis of Cork. ALW, 4-6, Charles Town

**Zoustar (Aus)**, King of Gosford (GB), c, 3, o/o Miss Sugars (GB), by Harbour Watch (Ire). John Shear S., 4-7, Santa Anita

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# A LILAC ROLLA WINS THE PRIORY BELLE



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### By Tom Frary

Unbeaten entering Sunday's G3 Ballylinch Stud "Priory Belle" S. at Leopardstown, A Lilac Rolla (Ire) (Harry Angel {Ire}--Mejala {Ire}, by Red Ransom) carried on where she left off with a battling success from Kitty Rose (GB) (Invincible Army {Ire}). Last seen beating the subsequent G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Opera Singer (Justify) at The Curragh in August, the Paddy Twomey-trained €40,000 Tatts Ireland September bargain was delivered to tackle Kitty Rose at the furlong pole and gave generously to Billy Lee to eke out a head success at odds of 9-2. Ballydoyle's Buttons (Ire) (Kingman {GB}) was a further 2 3/4 lengths away in third.

"I think she's a good filly and I'd hoped she would do something like that," Twomey said. "I haven't run her since she won the second time last year as she just grew and I wanted to give her the time. I'm glad I did and she's trained well all winter. I was looking forward to coming here today, although the heavy ground was a concern as her form was on good ground. She's uncomplicated and she's tough."

### **Pedigree Notes**

The dam Mejala, who was a 12,000gns Shadwell cast-off at 2020 Tatts December, has produced the dual listed-placed Mutaageb (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Cont. p3

### ATLAST ENTERS THE CLASSIC PICTURE

By Tom Frary

Demonstrating a precocity that belies his title, the Wertheimers' **Atlast (Fr)** (Farhh {GB}--Pitamore, by More Than Ready) mastered more experienced rivals in Sunday's G3 Prix la Force at ParisLongchamp to exit to the sound of Classic talk. Coming into the nine-furlong test with two juvenile runs at Chantilly to his name and one win over 7 1/2 furlongs on the Polytrack in October, the 11-2 shot was content to track the leaders under Maxime Guyon throughout the early stages. Sweeping to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the Christophe Ferland-trained homebred asserted to score by 1 1/4 lengths from **Mondo Man (GB)** (Mondialiste {Ire}).

"He is obviously a very nice horse and it's nice to start the season like this," Ferland said. "He had very good promise in his two runs last year and the target is the Prix du Jockey Club. We will see which route we take to get there depending how he comes out of this one." Cont. p3

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Bill Finley takes a look back at last weekend's Kentucky Derby preps, highlighted by Sierra Leone's victory in the GI Blue Grass S.



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Susan Magnier, Derrick Smith, Michael Tabor and Westerberg's Delius becomes the latest TDN Rising Star for Frankel with a dominant victory at ParisLongchamp Sunday. See p11 | ScoopDyga

### NO NAY NEVER DUO FINISH 1-2 IN RED ROCKS

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Ballydoyle's Battle Cry and Samuel Colt filled the top two spots in Sunday's G3 Ballylynch Stud 'Red Rocks' S. at Leopardstown.

### DALLAS STAR IN BALLYSAX SHOCK

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50-1 shot Dallas Star (Cloth Of Stars) took advantage of testing ground to triumph in the G3 P.W. McGrath Memorial Ballysax S. Sunday.

### STELLENBOSCH BEST IN OKA SHO

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Epiphaneia's Stellenbosch turns the tables on Ascoli Piceno to take the G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas) at Hanshin Sunday.

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### Lilac Rolla wins 1000 Guineas Trial, cont. from p1

From the family of the sires Bahri and Bahhare which includes the dual G1 Jebel Hatta winner Alfareeq (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and the G3 Prix Noailles scorer Raseed (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), her 2-year-old filly is by Shaman (Ire).

Sunday, Leopardstown, Ireland BALLYLINCH STUD PRIORY BELLE 1000 GUINEAS TRIAL S.-G3,

€55,000, Leopardstown, 4-7, 3yo, f, 7f 18yT, 1:40.89, hy.

1--A LILAC ROLLA (IRE), 128, f, 3, by Harry Angel (Ire)
1st Dam: Mejala (Ire), by Red Ransom
2nd Dam: Wissal, by Woodman
3rd Dam: Wasnah, by Nijinsky II

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**; **1ST GROUP WIN**. (€40,000 Ylg '22 TATIRY). O-Mutual Admiration Society Partnership; B-John Cullinan (IRE); T-Paddy Twomey; J-Billy Lee. €33,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$69,398. \*1/2 to Mutaaqeb (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), MSP-Eng. **Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

- 2--Kitty Rose (GB), 128, f, 3, Invincible Army (Ire)--Varnish (GB), by Choisir (Aus). (20,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Tim Porter; B-Carmel Stud (GB); T-Natalia Lupini. €11,000.
- 3--Buttons (Ire), 128, f, 3, Kingman (GB)--Wonder of Wonders, by Kingmambo. 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.

  O-Westerberg, Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Wonder Of Wonders Synd. (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. €5,500.

Margins: HD, 2 3/4, HF. Odds: 4.50, 4.00, 3.50. Also Ran: Greenfinch, Alpheratz (Ire), Wendla (GB), Cherry Blossom (Ire), Mysteries (Ire), Money Dancer (Ire), Finsceal Luas (Ire), Sweetest (Ire). Scratched: Lexington Belle (Ire).

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### Atlast wins Prix la Force, cont. from p1

Ferland continued, "I have no doubt he will stay further, but the French 2000 [Poule d'Essai des Poulains] could be a possibility in between. We'll talk to the jockey to get his view and we'll decide in time. The ground is very testing, but he did it well and now he's proved he can go on this ground. He has trained well on the all-weather, so I have no worries about the ground in the future. He's probably a very good horse who can go on any ground."



### Cont.

Ferland, who has recently relocated to Chantilly from La Teste de Buch, said of his move, "It was hard to organise and at the beginning of the year it was a bit difficult. I didn't have as many runners as I have done in the past, but we are trying to concentrate on quality more than on quantity and now everything is looking alright."

### **Pedigree Notes**

Atlast is out of the Listed Prix la Camargo runner-up Pitamore (More Than Ready), a daughter of the GIII Valley View S.-placed Pitamakan (Danzig) who also produced the G3 Prix de Barbeville-winning stayer Funny Kid (Lemon Drop Kid). From the family of the champion Althea (Alydar) which includes the GIII Sam F. Davis S. and GIII Runhappy S. winner Candy Man Rocket (Candy Ride {Arg}), she also has a filly foal by Blame.

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France

**PRIX LA FORCE-G3**, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-7, 3yo, c/g, 9fT, 2:05.13, vhy.

1--ATLAST (FR), 128, c, 3, by Farhh (GB)

1st Dam: Pitamore (SP-Fr), by More Than Ready

2nd Dam: Pitamakan, by Danzig 3rd Dam: Vantive, by Mr. Prospector

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**; **1ST GROUP WIN**. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (FR); T-Christophe Ferland; J-Maxime Guyon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, €66,500. **Werk Nick Rating: F**.

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2--Mondo Man (GB), 126, c, 3, Mondialiste (Ire)--Moghrama (Ire), by Harbour Watch (Ire). 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (€30,000 2yo '23 ARQMAY). O-Ecuries Serge Stempniak, Pia Brandt & Nils-Petter Gill; B-Elwick Stud (GB);

T-Pia & Joakim Brandt. €16,000.

3--First Look (Ire), 128, c, 3, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Bilissie (GB), by Dansili (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.

(€340,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG). O-Ecurie Ama.Zingteam; B-Haras de la Perelle (IRE); T-Andre Fabre. €12,000. Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, HD. Odds: 5.70, 11.00, 7.90. Also Ran: Saganti (Fr), Sunway (Fr), De Sica (Fr). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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# NO NAY NEVER AND BALLYDOYLE ONE TWO IN THE RED ROCKS By Tom Frary



Battle Cry (left) | Racingfotos.com

Ballydoyle's season cranked up a gear at Leopardstown on Sunday as the No Nay Never pair Battle Cry (Ire) and Samuel Colt (Ire) completed a one-two in the G3 Ballylinch Stud "Red Rocks" S. Runner-up in the Listed Star Appeal S. at Dundalk in October, Battle Cry who is a son of the listed scorer I'll Have Another (Ire) (Dragon Pulse) was switched off in rear early by Ryan Moore. Launched wide in the straight, the 10-1 shot overhauled his stablemate passing the furlong marker for a half-length success, with five lengths back to My Mate Alfie (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) in third.



#### Cont.

Reflecting on the winner's last sighting, when being withdrawn from Doncaster's G1 Futurity Trophy after being upset in the stalls, Aidan O'Brien said, "He just panicked, but never did it before and hasn't after. He'd prefer better ground and looks like he'll get a mile. It's tough out there and you have to get home there today. He could be a horse for the French or the Irish Guineas."

### **Pedigree Notes**

Battle Cry is the first foal out of the dam, a 200,000gns purchase by Cormac McCormack at the 2020 Tatts February Sale who was also placed in the Listed Zetland S., Listed Pretty Polly S. and G3 Zukunftsrennen. A half-sister to the recent G3 Prix Penelope third Je Zous (Ire) (Zoustar {Aus}) from the family of the G1 Matron S. and G1 Phoenix S. heroine La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}) and In the Wings' sire Fracas (Ire), her yearling is a full-sister to the winner.

Sunday, Leopardstown, Ireland

BALLYLINCH STUD RED ROCKS 2000 GUINEAS TRIAL S.-G3,

€55,000, Leopardstown, 4-7, 3yo, c/g, 7f 18yT, 1:39.31, hy.

1--BATTLE CRY (IRE), 131, c, 3, by No Nay Never

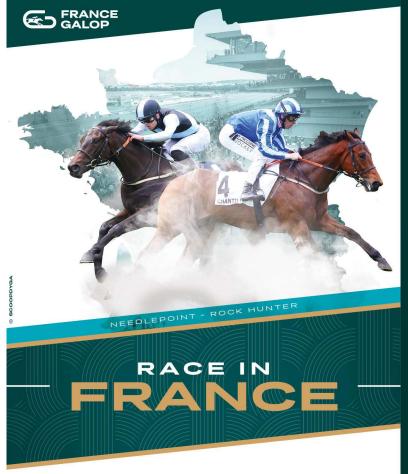
1st Dam: I'll Have Another (Ire) (SW & GSP-Ger,

MSP-Eng, \$127,768), by Dragon Pulse (Ire) 2nd Dam: Jessie Jane (Ire), by Dylan Thomas (Ire) 3rd Dam: Silver Skates (Ire), by Slip Anchor (GB)

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**; **1ST GROUP WIN**. O-Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Westerberg; B-Lynch Bages Ltd (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €33,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$117,364. **Werk Nick Rating: B**. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

- 2--Samuel Colt (Ire), 131, c, 3, No Nay Never--Lesson In Life (GB), by Duke Of Marmalade (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE;
  1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (€340,000 Ylg '22 ARAUG).
  O-Westerberg, Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Camas Park & Lynch Bages (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. €11,000.
- 3--My Mate Alfie (Ire), 131, g, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Bear Cheek (Ire), by Kodiac (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (€70,000 YIg '22 GOFOR). O-A K Whelan; B-BT Bloodstock & P O'Callaghan (IRE); T-Ger Lyons. €5,500. Margins: HF, 5, 3. Odds: 10.00, 4.00, 20.00. Also Ran: Take Me To Church (Ire), The Liffey (Ire), Chicago Critic (GB), Atlantic Coast (Ire), Bright Stripes (Ire).

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### **DALLAS STAR IN BALLYSAX SHOCK**

By Tom Frary

Relishing the testing ground at Leopardstown on Sunday, Amo Racing's Dallas Star (Fr) (Cloth Of Stars {Ire}--Agathe Rare {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells) sprung a 50-1 upset as he dominated the G3 P.W. McGrath Memorial Ballysax S. Taken straight to the lead by Seamie Heffernan, who recently announced his freelance status, the Adrian Murray-trained 50,000gns Tatts Book 2 graduate accepted a lead before forging ahead again passing two out. Staying on strongly to the line, the former Dominic ffrench Davis trainee who was last seen finishing a distant third in Newmarket's G3 Zetland S. in October beat the Ballydoyle pair The Euphrates (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and Illinois (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) by three lengths and 2 1/4 lengths respectively.

"We were on a mission today to see how we were going or where we were going to go next," Murray said. "He kept finding for him. Twice during the race I thought he was done for and he kept coming back. I never thought I'd see the day where we would be competing in the same race as Aidan O'Brien. He'll be entered in all the big races now I suppose and we'll see where we go. I'll have to chat to Kia and Robson and see where they want to go."

Seamus Heffernan added, "He was weak last year, but he's uncomplicated and clear-winded--he's a rhythm horse. I think he'll keep progressing and he could be a Leger-type horse. We probably beat the best Derby horses around--I'd ridden the ones I had to beat there."

Aidan O'Brien said of the second and third, "We thought that The Euphrates would want a mile and a half and maybe stay further and that's the way it looked. Illinois just got tired in the ground—he's a big horse and so we didn't want to over-squeeze him for his first run and he was just ready to run—Ryan said he struggled a bit in the ground all the way, so he'll probably come forward a lot from it. It was a tough race, they went at it strong up front. They could come back for the [G3] Derrinstown [Derby Trial], but we have other horses for that and we couldn't run them all today. Better ground will suit them all and it's a balancing act getting them ready for these races."

### **Pedigree Notes**

Dallas Star, whose 2-year-old half-brother Virtuose Rare (Fr) (Van Beethoven) has yet to race, is the second black-type performer for the unraced Agathe Rare after the Listed Prix de Saint-Patrick winner Apache Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).



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The second dam is the G3 Prix de Psyche scorer and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches and G1 Prix de Diane-placed Agathe (Manila), who was responsible for the Diane, G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 Prix Ganay heroine Aquarelliste (Fr) (Danehill) and her GI Charles Whittingham Memorial H. and GI Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship-winning full-brother Artiste Royal (Ire). Agathe, who is also the ancestress of the top-level performers Ziyad (GB) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) and Ame Bleue (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), is a daughter of the accomplished broodmare Albertine (Fr) (Irish River {Fr}) which links her to the luminaries Arcangues, Cape Verdi (Ire) (Caerleon) and Luxembourg (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), among others.

Sunday, Leopardstown, Ireland
P W MCGRATH MEMORIAL BALLYSAX S.-G3, €50,000,
Leopardstown, 4-7, 3yo, 10fT, 2:23.39, hy.

1--DALLAS STAR (FR), 131, c, 3, by Cloth Of Stars (Ire)

1st Dam: Agathe Rare (Ire), by Sadler's Wells

2nd Dam: Agathe, by Manila

3rd Dam: Albertine (Fr), by Irish River (Fr)

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**; **1ST GROUP WIN**. (€30,000 Wlg '21 ARQDEC; 50,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT; 180,000gns RNA 2yo '23 TATBRE). O-Amo Racing Ltd; B-Mme Eliane Dieuaide & SAS Domaine Billard Pere Et Fils (FR); T-Adrian Murray; J-Seamus Heffernan. €30,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 6-2-0-3, \$57,632. \*1/2 to Apache Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), SW-Fr, \$456,835. **Werk Nick Rating: A**. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

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2--The Euphrates (GB), 131, c, 3, Frankel (GB)--Auld Alliance (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (800,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Brant, Magnier, Tabor, Westerberg & Smith; B-Bobby Flay Thoroughbreds (GB); T-Aidan O'Brien. €10,000.

3--Illinois (Ire), 131, c, 3, Galileo (Ire)--Danedrop (Ire), by Danehill. O-Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. €5,000.

Margins: 3, 2 1/4, 5HF. Odds: 50.00, 7.00, 0.73. Also Ran: Deepone (GB), Ocean Of Dreams (Ire).

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### IMPROVER ZARAKEM TAKES THE PRIX

### D'HARCOURT By Tom Frary

Upsetting some big names in Sunday's G2 Prix d'Harcourt at

ParisLongchamp, Ecurie
Benaroussi Sofiane's acquisition
Zarakem (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) provide
Jerome Reynier with new dreams
at the start of the 2024
campaign. Brought along quietly
last term, Jean-Claude Seroul's
homebred captured Vichy's
Listed Prix Frederic de Lagrange
in July and Listed La Coupe de
Marseille before being sold and
finishing sixth in the G2 Prix du
Conseil de Paris here in October.
Settled with two behind early by
Maxime Guyon, the 9-1 shot

stayed on powerfully in the deep

ground to overhaul Horizon Dore



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(Fr) (Dabirsim {Fr}) over a furlong out en route to a 1 1/2-length success.

Nicolas de Chambure, part-owner of Zarakem, revealed that the win came after a tense period for the new connections. "We bought this horse with Sofiane at the Arc Sale and all didn't

> go as well as we expected in his first run for us in the Prix du Conseil de Paris," he explained. "He was supposed to return three weeks ago in the Exbury, but Jerome Reynier decided against that because of the extremely heavy ground during that period. It was the same conditions three weeks later, but with the horse being so well in his work he said 'let's try'. That was a good decision and he showed us what we expected when we bought him. He is now a fully-matured horse with more nice days ahead. The

program now says to go for a Group 1, probably the Ganay if the horse is well."



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f. 2021 CAMELOT X DEBUTANTE

### Prix Vanteaux (Gr.3)

ParisLongchamp Owner: Dun Shing Lee Trainer: Gavin Hernon

Breeders: Écurie des Monceaux, Meridian International, Scuderia Waldeck

Coddona Wardook

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Price: €67,000 Buyer: Gavin Hernon Vendor: Écurie des Monceaux

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### **Pedigree Notes**

Zarakem's unraced dam Harem Mistress (Ire)
(Mastercraftsman {Ire}), whose 2-year-old filly by Golden Horde
(Ire) was a €50,000 purchase by Meridian International at
Arqana Deauville October, is a daughter of Harem Lady (Fr)
(Teofilo {Ire}) who was runner-up in the G2 Prix Allez France.
The family includes the GIII Dixiana Bourbon S. winner Keep
Quiet (Fr) (Elusive City), the GII San Clemente H. winner Little
Treasure (Fr) (Night Shift) and her GII La Canada S.-winning
daughter More Chocolate (Malibu Moon), as well as the group
and graded-stakes scorers New York Girl (Ire) (New Approach
{Ire}), Rhythm Of Light (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}), Atomic Jones
(Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) and Go Athletico (Fr) (Goken {Fr}).
Harem Mistress also has a yearling filly by Victor Ludorum (GB).

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France
PRIX D'HARCOURT-G2, €130,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-7,
4yo/up, 10fT, 2:14.39, vhy.

1--ZARAKEM (FR), 126, c, 4, by Zarak (Fr)

1st Dam: Harem Mistress (Ire), by Mastercraftsman (Ire)

2nd Dam: Harem Lady (Fr), by Teofilo (Ire)
3rd Dam: Luminosity (GB), by Sillery

**1ST GROUP WIN**. (€85,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT). O-Ecurie Benaroussi Sofiane & Haras d'Etreham; B-Jean-Paul Cayrouze (FR); T-Jerome Reynier; J-Maxime Guyon. €74,100. Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-0, €169,700. **Werk Nick Rating: B+**.

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- 2--Horizon Dore (Fr), 128, g, 4, Dabirsim (Fr)--Sweet Alabama (Fr), by Enrique (GB). (€45,000 Ylg '21 ARAUG). O-Gousserie Racing, Ecurie du Sud, Ecurie Gribomont, Daniel Dumoulin, Mlle Chantal Becq & Mme Francoise Delaunay; B-Mme Chantal Becq (FR); T-Patrice Cottier. €28,600.
- 3--Birr Castle (Fr), 126, c, 4, Cloth Of Stars (Ire)--Baki (Fr), by Turtle Bowl (Ire). (€170,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT). O-Godolphin; B-Francois Rohaut (FR); T-Andre Fabre. €13,650.

Margins: 1HF, 3/4, 4. Odds: 8.80, 2.60, 6.00.

Also Ran: Mansour (Ger), Feed The Flame (GB), Gryphon (Ire), Military Order (Ire). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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Leopardstown
Owner: Amo Racing
Trainer: Adrian Murray

Breeders: Éliane Dieuaide & Domaine Billard et Fils

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# HERNON CLASSIC DREAMS ALIVE AFTER THE VANTEAUX



Dare To Dream | Scoop Dyga

By Tom Frary

Completing the first part of trainer Gavin Hernon's masterplan, Dun Shing Lee's **Dare To Dream (Fr)** (Camelot {GB}--Debutante {Fr}, by Gold Away {Ire}) made her foray to ParisLongchamp a successful one on Sunday as she captured the G3 Prix Vanteaux. Third behind Ballydoyle's Content (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) and the same afternoon's Leopardstown group 3 runner-up Kitty Rose (GB) (Invincible Army {Ire}) in The Curragh's G3 Staffordstown Stud S. when last sighted in October, the 9-1 shot was held up in rear early by Alexis Pouchin. Delivered wide with a surge to take control 300 metres from the finish, the €67,000 Arqana Deauville October graduate stayed on strongly to score by two lengths from **Almara (Fr)** (Almanzor {Fr}).

"I thought she brought the best form into the race, so I was confident and she's strengthened up so much from two to three," Hernon said. "Quite a lot of Montjeu comes through in her via Camelot, so I was impressed with how much she relaxed and settled through the race. We haven't turned any screws yet, so I think there is quite a bit of progression to come. I would imagine she'll come back here for the [G1] Prix Saint-Alary and her owner has entered her in the Oaks, but I entered her in the Irish Oaks and July might be the time to step her up to a mile and a half."

"I had it in my head all winter that she would go Vanteaux-Saint-Alary-Diane and then the Irish Oaks if we wanted to go a mile and a half. She'd be best on good-to-soft, but she wouldn't want it too firm. We've got the right to dare to dream with her and she was very well named by Mr Lee. We always thought that she was going to take us to the top table and I think today she's proved that she can.

Mr Lee was born and raised in Epsom, but he lives in Hong Kong and he didn't want to come for her first run knowing that she was only 80 per-cent fit. He'll be here the next time for sure."

### **Pedigree Notes**

Dare To Dream's dam, the dual listed-placed Debutante (Fr) (Gold Away {Ire}), is kin to three pattern-race winners including the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S. heroine Danedream (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}) and the G3 Chester Vase S. winner and G1 Grand Prix de Parisplaced Venice Beach (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). From the family of the G1 Prix Vermeille-winning champion Indian Rose (Fr) (General Holme) and sires Vert Amande and Le Nain Jaune (Fr), she is also connected to last year's G1 Criterium de Saint Cloud third Illinois (Ire) by Venice Beach's sire who was third in Sunday's Ballysax. Debutante's 2-year-old filly by Sea The Stars (Ire) was a €260,000 purchase by Sumbe at Arqana Deauville October, while she also has a yearling filly by Zelzal (Fr).

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France
AL SHIRA'AA RACING PRIX VANTEAUX-G3, €80,000,
ParisLongchamp, 4-7, 3yo, f, 9fT, 2:00.58, vhy.

1--DARE TO DREAM (FR), 126, f, 3, by Camelot (GB)

1st Dam: Debutante (Fr) (MSP-Fr), by Gold Away (Ire)

2nd Dam: Danedrop (Ire), by Danehill

3rd Dam: Rose Bonbon (Fr), by High Top (Ire)

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**; **1ST GROUP WIN**. (€67,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT). O-Dun Shing Lee; B-Ecurie des Monceaux, Meridian International SARL & Scuderia Waldeck SNC (FR); T-Gavin Hernon; J-Alexis Pouchin. €40,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 4-2-0-1, €68,500. **Werk Nick Rating: C+**.

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- 2--Almara (Fr), 126, f, 3, Almanzor (Fr)--Molly Mara (Ger), by Big Shuffle. **1ST BLACK TYPE**; **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (€10,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT). O/B-Zied Ben M'Rad (FR); T-Carlos & Yann Lerner. €16,000.
- 3--Survie (Ire), 126, f, 3, Churchill (Ire)--Sotteville (Fr), by Le Havre (Ire). **1ST BLACK TYPE**; **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Franklin Finance SA (IRE); T-Nicolas Clement. €12,000.

Margins: 2, 3HF, 4. Odds: 9.20, 11.00, 4.90.

Also Ran: Molten Rock (Ire), Mlle Moliere (Ire), Blush (Ire), La Mandala (Fr), Around The World (Fr), Shiffrin (Ire), The First Dance (Fr). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

### FRANKEL'S DELIUS ATTAINS TDN RISING **STAR STATUS IN PARIS** by Sean Cronin



**Delius** | *Emma Berry* 

Seven newcomers went to post for ParisLongchamp's opening contest of Sunday afternoon, the 10 1/2-furlong Prix Juigne for unraced 3-year-old colts and geldings, and it was Coolmore and Westerberg's Delius (GB) (Frankel (GB)--Whatami (GB), by Daylami (Ire)), who returned with a 'TDN Rising Star' after outpointing his rivals in the style of an above-average individual.

Patiently ridden off the tempo in sixth for the most part, the 8-5 favourite eased forward off the home turn and lengthened clear in taking fashion once quickening to the fore at the furlong pole to easily account for Godolphin's Kind Of Kiss (GB) (Sea The Stars (Ire) by an impressive 3 1/2 lengths.

"Delius is a nice horse, who will develop into a good middledistance prospect," commented trainer Jean-Claude Rouget. "The more we advance through the season, the better he will be. He guickened really nicely and won well, so that is most encouraging."

Delius is the ninth of 11 foals and fifth scorer produced by a full-sister to Listed Chesham S. victrix Whazzat (GB) (Daylami {Ire}), herself the dam of G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest runner-up and dual group-winning sire James Garfield (Ire) (Exceed And Excel (Aus)). Descendants of his second dam Wosaita (GB) (Generous {Ire}), herself a half-sister to G1 Prix de Dianewinning matriarch Rafha (GB) (Kris {GB}), also include multiple Grade I-winning US champion and GI Breeders' Cup Mile heroine Uni (GB) (More Than Ready). The February-foaled bay is a fullbrother to multiple Group-placed Listed Wolferton S. winner Juan Elcano (GB) and a half to G3 Hoppings S. victrix Nkosikazi (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}). He is also kin to a 2-year-old filly by Sea The Moon (Ger) and a yearling filly by Kingman (GB).

### =NEW ===== TDN# RISING STAR

**1st-ParisLongchamp,** €**27,000, Mdn**, 4-7, unraced 3yo, c/g, 10 1/2fT, 2:25.34, vhy.

DELIUS (GB), c, 3, by Frankel (GB)

1st Dam: Whatami (GB), by Daylami (Ire) 2nd Dam: Wosaita (GB), by Generous (Ire)

3rd Dam: Eljazzi (Ire), by Artaius

Sales history: 675,000gns Wlg '21 TATFOA. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. \*Full to Juan Elcano (GB), SW & MGSP-Eng, \$175,305; and 1/2 to Nkosikazi (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), GSW-Eng. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Susan Magnier, Derrick Smith, Michael Tabor & Westerberg; B-Mr & Mrs David Brown (GB); T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Cristian Demuro.

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### FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

### Monday, April 8, 2024:

### **UNITED KINGDOM**

Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud 110 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 16:00-LINGFIELD PARK, 5f, Target Man (Ire) 78,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 325,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 5f, Ashen Glow (Ire) 35,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 5f, Lady Lightning (GB) 30,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 30,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 83 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 5f, Far Above Mary (Ire) £32,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023



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### **HOW THEY FARED**

**13.45 Leopardstown, Mdn,** €**15,000, 3yo, f, 8fT Wingspan (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}),** the daughter of the G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S. and G1 Matron S. heroine Hydrangea (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), got her career off to a flyer with a determined win in the deep ground.

13.58 ParisLongchamp, Mdn, €27k, unraced 3yo, c/g, 10.5fT Flaxman Stables' Quantum Mechanics (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}), kin to G1 Prix du Jockey Club-winning sire Study Of Man (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), failed to land a blow of any kind and finished an 18-length sixth behind the 'TDN Rising Star' display of Delius (GB) (Frankel {GB}).

# BRITAIN

### **Sunday's Results:**

**2nd-Bath & Somerset County,** £**27,500, Mdn**, 4-7, 3yo/up, f, 8fT, 1:48.46, hy.

STAR JASMINE (IRE) (f, 3, Churchill {Ire}--Where's Sue {Ire}, by Dark Angel {Ire}), runner-up in two appearances at Newcastle last month, raced along the fence in third through halfway here. Bounding into second with three furlongs remaining, the 7-2 chance was driven to the front passing the eighth pole and kept on gamely to defeat Turn Up The Heat (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}) by 1 1/4 lengths. Star Jasmine is the fourth of six foals and second scorer produced by a winning full-sister to G3 Princess Margaret S. victrix Angel's Hideaway (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and G2 Mill Reef S. and G3 Hackwood S. runner-up Perfect Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}). The April-foaled bay, whose second dam is Listed Hilary Needler Trophy runner-up The Hermitage (Ire) (Kheleyf), is kin to a 2-year-old filly by Magna Grecia (Ire) and a yearling colt by Sioux Nation. Sales history: 400,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$26,046.

O-Lady Bamford; B-Mountain View & JC Bld. (IRE); T-G Boughey.

### **HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**4th-Bath & Somerset County, £75,000, Hcp**, 4-7, 4yo/up, 5f 10yT, 1:06.60, hy.

BLIND BEGGAR (IRE) (g, 6, Equiano {Fr}--Beylerbey, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 41-6-8-7, \$141,933. O-B & M Pallets Ltd; B-Pat Beirne (IRE); T-Michael Appleby. \*€16,000 Wlg '18 GOFNOV; €26,000 Ylg '19 TIRSEP; 45,000gns 4yo '22 TATAHI.

## **FRANCE**

### Sunday's Results:

PRIX ZARKAVA - FONDS EUROPEEN DE L'ELEVAGE-Listed, €48,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-7, 4yo/up, f/m, 10 1/2fT, 2:21.79, vhy.

- 1--OTTERY (GB), 123, f, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Longina (Ger) (GSW & G1SP-Ger, GSP-Ity, \$171,533), by Monsun (Ger). (800,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT). O-Juddmonte; B-Al Shahania Stud (GB); T-Andre Fabre; J-Mickael Barzalona. €24,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 8-3-0-2, €102,000.
- 2--Legend (Fr), 123, m, 6, French Fifteen (Fr)--Massaye (Ire), by Monsun (Ger). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Ecurie Ades Hazan & Karine Morice; B-Mme Patrick Ades-Hazan & Karine Morice (FR); T-Satoshi Kobayashi. €9,600.
- 3--Quisisana (Fr), 123, f, 4, Le Havre (Ire)--Quamoclit (GB), by Sea The Stars (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Haras de la Perelle (FR); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €7,200.

Margins: 1, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.20, 3.00, 3.80.

Also Ran: Tygress (GB), Gather Ye Rosebuds (GB), Ermesinde (Ire), Peaceful Sea (Ire), Incrackable (Ger). Scratched: Caelestis (GB). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

Last term's G3 Prix de Royaumont winner Ottery hit the board in August's G2 Prix de Pomone, but finished down the field in 10th on Arc weekend's G1 Prix de Royallieu last time. The 11-5 favourite was steadied to race behind the leaders in fourth after the opening exchanges of this seasonal return. Full of run when cruising closer in early straight, she powered forward for control approaching the final furlong and was driven out to prevail with an ultimately snug one-length buffer back to Legend (Fr) (French Fifteen {Fr}).



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Ottery is the third foal and scorer produced by G2 Diana-Trial victrix and G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third Longina (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}), herself the leading performer out of G3 Preis der Winterkonigin victrix Love Academy (Ger) (Medicean {GB}). The April-foaled chestnut, an 800,000gns Tattersalls October Book 1 graduate, is kin to a yearling colt by St Mark's Basilica (Fr). Her third dam Laurencia (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}) produced GII Sky Classic victor and GI United Nations S. runnerup Lauro (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Laurencia, who is also the second dam of G3 Bavarian Classic victor Lavello (Ire) (Zarak (Fr)), is a half-sister to the G1 Deutsches Derby-winning pair Lando (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}) and Laroche (Ger) (Nebos {Ger}). She is also kin to the dam of ill-fated G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club victrix Lovelyn (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}). Laurencia's full-sister, G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third La Donna (GB), is the second dam of G1 Deutsches Derby hero Laccario (Ger) (Scalo (GB)).

**2nd-ParisLongchamp, €27,000, Debutantes**, 4-7, 3yo, f, 10 1/2fT, 2:27.43, vhy.

CASHANDA (FR) (f, 3, Zoffany {Ire}--Caskelena {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}), sent off the 39-10 second favourite, enjoyed the perfect tow early under cover behind the leader. Working her way to the front with 300 metres remaining, the homebred stayed on strongly to score by 1 1/4 lengths from Jannah Pearl (Fr) (Galileo {Ire}). "Andre [Fabre] has always thought a lot of her--she was entered for a group 1 on Arc day [the Prix Marcel Boussac], but she had a few problems last year, a setback, so we had to be patient," owner-breeder Nurlan Bizakov explained. "Hopefully our patience will pay some dividends later on. Unfortunately we lost her dam, so hopefully she will keep the line going." The winner is the last known foal out of the aforementioned Caskelena, a full-sister to the G3 Lingfield Derby Trial winner and G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G1 Gold Cup runner-up Age Of Aguarius (Ire). Also a half to Dyhim Diamond's G1 Prix Jean Pratwinning sire Turtle Bowl (Ire) and the G2 Prix d'Astarte scorer and G3 Prix Cleopatre winner and GI Flower Bowl Invitational runner-up Turtle Bow (Fr) (Turtle Island {Ire}), she was responsible for Zoffany's listed-placed Canagat (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Nurlan Bizakov; B-Sumbe (FR); T-Andre Fabre.

### **CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**6th-Le Lion d'Angers, €22,000, Cond**, 4-7, 3yo, 10fT, 2:30.99, vhy.

SABROSO (FR) (g, 3, Nathaniel {Ire}--Sally For Me {Fr}, by Pour Moi {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-3, €61,200. O-Cuadra Mediterraneo; B-Mme Lisa Lemiere Dubois (FR); T-Mauricio Delcher Sanchez.



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### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

(FR). \*€14,000 RNA Ylg '22 ARQSEP.

Belsiana (GB), f, 3, Camelot (GB)--Requirement (GB), by Charm Spirit (Ire). Le Lion d'Angers, 4-7, 10fT, 2:35.52. B-Mickley Stud & Miranda Johnson (GB). \*125,000gns Wlg '21 TATFOA; €160,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG; €90,000 RNA 2yo '23 ARQMAY.

Marche D'Aligre (Fr), g, 3, Seahenge--Simplon (GB) (SP-Ger), by Rail Link (GB). Le Lion d'Angers, 4-7, 10fT, 2:30.83. B-Ecurie X

# **IRELAND**

### **Sunday's Results:**

**1st-Leopardstown, €15,000, Mdn**, 4-7, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:52.75, hy ECUREUIL SECRET (FR) (c, 3, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Vitizza {Fr}, by King's Best), stalked the leaders under a firm hold in fourth after an alert getaway from the outside stall. Making a dart for the far-side rail inside the quarter-mile marker, the 15-2 chance came under stern urging to gain an advantage approaching the final furlong and was driven out to subdue Thequietman (GB) (Farrh {GB}) by 1 1/4 lengths in resolute fashion. "He'd been working nicely and, very kindly, Joseph [O'Brien] allowed me do a bit of work with him after racing in Naas recently," explained trainer Edward O'Grady. "The funny thing is himself and the second [Thequietman] worked together and they finished about the same way. [Owner] Aidan [Ryan] asked me to buy him a horse at the breeze up sales, but I couldn't get one at Goresbridge as they were too expensive. This fellow was in a sale at Deauville in July, he was only five miles up the road from me and I went to see him and loved him. The stallion is on fire and it's brilliant to have him. It's very exciting to buy something like that and I'd say that was a fair maiden. He has a great attitude, and the dream is still alive."

Ecureuil Secret is the fifth of six foals and second scorer out of a half-sister to G2 Prix de Sandringham-winning G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix Rothschild placegetter Volta (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), MGSW G1 Dubai Sheema Classic third Calvados Blues (Fr) (Lando {Ger}) and G3 Prix des Chenes runner-up Scherzo (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}). The imposing bay is half to an unnamed 2-year-old colt by Romanised (Ire). Sales history: €22,000 Ylg '22 ARQDOY; €60,000 RNA 2yo '23 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,757.

O-Aidan J Ryan; B-Ecurie de l'Aure (FR); T-Edward O'Grady.

**2nd-Leopardstown,** €**15,000, Mdn**, 4-7, 3yo, 8fT, 1:53.40, hy. WINGSPAN (IRE) (f, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Hydrangea {Ire} {G1SW-Eng, G1SW-Ire, G1SP-Fr, \$1,313,667}, by Galileo {Ire}), sent off at 7-2, tracked the leading pair throughout the early stages. Grinding down the long-time leader Nativity Square (Ire) (Vocalised) passing the furlong marker, the first runner for the G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S. and G1 Matron S. heroine Hydrangea (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) asserted to score by 1 1/2 lengths. "She's like her mam, lazy and laidback," Aidan O'Brien said. "Ryan said she found loads, handled the ground and would be very comfortable with a step up in trip. She'll have no problem going up into an Oaks Trial. She's a baby and should improve plenty. She was first off the bridle and you would have to be happy with her." Hydrangea, who was also placed in five other Group 1 races including the Irish 1000 Guineas, is a fullsister to the G1 Ranvet S. hero The United States (Ire) and the high-class Hermosa (Ire) who completed the 1000 Guineas-Irish Guineas double. Also a full-sister to the dam of the G1 Coronation S.-placed Sounds Of Heaven (GB) (Kingman {GB}) from the excellent Kilfrush Stud family of Zelda (Ire) (Caerleon), her 2-year-old colt is by Dubawi (Ire) and yearling colt is by Wootton Bassett (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,757. O-Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien

## **GERMANY**

### **CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**1st-Mulheim,** €**10,000,** Cond, 4-7, 7 1/2fT, 1:39.13, sf/hy. **NEW EMERALD (GER) (c, 3, Protectionist {Ger}--Nouvelle Gorl {Ger}, by Soldier Hollow {GB})** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, €18,000. O/B-Stall Emerald (GER); T-Markus Klug. \*€24,000 RNA Ylg '22 BBAGS.

**6th-Mulheim, €10,000, Cond**, 4-7, 10fT, 2:22.34, sf/hy. WELTBESTE (GER) (f, 3, Soldier Hollow {GB}--Wellenspiel {Ger}, by Sternkonig {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, **€12,000**.

O/B-Gestut Rottgen (GER); T-Markus Klug. \*Full to Weltstar (Ger), G1SW-Ger, \$537,784; and 1/2 to Windstoss (Ger) (Shirocco {Ger}), MG1SW-Ger, G1SP-Eng & GSP-Fr, \$818,287; Well Disposed (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), MGSW & G1SP-Ger, \$106,039.



### IN HONG KONG:

**Eighteen Carat (Ire)**, g, 4, **Gleneagles (Ire)**--Kikonga (GB), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Sha Tin, 4-7, Hcp. (C3), 2000mT, 2:02.66. B-Kikonga Syndicate. \*Formerly Royal Cape (Ire). \*\*50,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. **VIDEO** 

### **AUSTRALASIA**

# SALE TOPPERS: A DAY FOR THE GIRLS AS FOUR CRACK A MILLION



A filly by Zoustar heads Day 1 at Inglis Easter | Inglis

### At a Glance

 Four yearlings broke the million-dollar barrier on day one of the 2024 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale, led by Lot 227 who made \$2.2million to the bid of James Harron Bloodstock near the end of the day. The Zoustar (Aus) filly from Group 1 winner Prompt Response (Aus) was sold by Widden Stud.

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- The first day of selling showed improvements in both the average and median on 2023, however, the clearance rate was down from 85 per cent in 2023 to 74 per cent in 2024.
- Vendors gained on 2023 with the average price rising to \$390,091 (up from \$389,605 for day one in 2023), while the median on the first day rose to \$300,000 (up from \$280,000).
- With less lots sold on day one of 2024 compared to 2023, the gross for the first session was down at \$63,975,000 for 164 lots sold. In 2023, the first day had 177 lots sell for a gross of \$68,960,000.
- The leading buyer by gross on the first day was Tom
  Magnier, who picked up three yearlings for \$2.68million,
  while two buying groups each purchased six yearlings
  apiece with KPW Bloodstock buying six yearlings for an
  aggregate spend of \$2.24million and the Chris Waller/Guy
  Mulcaster team purchased six yearlings for a total of
  \$1.99million.
- Coolmore Stud was the leading vendor on the first day selling 16 yearlings for \$7.255 million, including Lot 68, a Snitzel (Aus) filly from Hips Don't Lie (Aus) who made \$1.1 million to be the fourth top lot of the day.
- With the top two lots, it was no surprise to see Zoustar as the leading stallion on day one with 13 yearlings sold for \$9.79million (average \$753,000), although Champion Sire I Am Invincible (Aus) was close behind with 16 yearlings sold for \$9.2million (average \$577,500).
- Wootton Bassett (GB) leads the first season sires after the first day with 11 lots sold for \$3.5million, while G1 Golden Slipper winner Farnan (Aus) is the leading first season sire by average (more than one lot sold) with 6 lots averaging \$427,500.

### By James Thomas

Big things are expected on day two of the Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale, but Sunday's opening session supplied plenty of action in its own right. Four seven-figure lots highlighted the hunger at the very top of the market, with the progeny of Widden Stud's Zoustar proving in particularly high demand.

# Lot 227 - Zoustar x Prompt Response (Beneteau), filly, \$2,200,000

Zoustar's popularity was not the only reason Widden Stud had to celebrate as Antony Thompson's operation also sold the top lot, the filly out of Prompt Response (Beneteau), for a show-stopping \$2,200,000. James Harron signed the ticket for the most expensive filly sold so far this year.

The youngster is the third foal out of Prompt Response, a daughter of Beneteau (Aus) whose six wins were capped by victory in the Group 1 Tattersalls Tiara (Aus). She also registered three Group 2 successes in the Emancipation S., Breeders Classic and the Dane Ripper S.

"She's a very, very special filly," said Harron. "Zoustar is absolutely flying and his fillies are doing an outstanding job as well. She was the standout in the sale for us so I'm very happy to get her.

"We'll get her back and talk about (training plans) because nothing has been set in stone at this stage. We'll work that out, get her broken in and have a good look at her and see where the best place is to go with her."

Harron continued: "She's a great type, obviously. She's beautiful, lovely quality, a fantastic temperament and has a very good action. She's just a very special filly.

"She's out of a very good racemare and the sister looks handy, she's trialed up a few times and looks like she could quite easily attain some black type, which would be a nice update. The family's been bred really nicely and it could be one of those pages we look back on in ten or 12 years' time and it's thickened right out."



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This is Prompt Response's second successive seven-figure yearling as the I Am Invincible filly Harron referenced sold to Wexford Stables for \$1.3 million at last year's Easter Sale and is flagged by that stable as being particularly smart, preparing for her debut soon.

Zoustar, who sired four of the top six lots on the day, was continuing a fine run of form during the 2024 sales season having already been represented by three million-plus yearlings prior to Sunday's session.

The upgraded esteem in which buyers hold the son of Northern Meteor (Aus) is no surprise considering he has sired seven elite winners, three of whom have scored during the current campaign. That trio are Coolmore Stud Stakes scorer Ozzmosis (Aus), Joliestar (Aus), winner of the Schweppes Thousand Guineas, while Zougotcha (Aus) was last seen landing the Coolmore Classic.

"When we bought mum she was an expensive mare but we've got a good group of core clients who back us on these expensive mares and it's great to see our judgement vindicated and the

belief they've shown in us rewarded," said Thompson.

"Certainly from Zoustar's point of view, because we took a big position there and have always had enormous belief, it's very satisfying to see him doing what he's doing. The way his progeny have sold today has been phenomenal."

Reflecting on the session-topping transaction, Thompson added: "It doesn't just happen. The team has done an incredible job and the filly presented beautifully all week. Everyone who saw her just

loved her; you saw that around the ring with four or five serious teams playing well above the million mark.

"It was going to take someone with real belief and real conviction to buy her and obviously John Camilleri has that sort of trust in James and those guys know what they're doing."

"Hopefully they've set themselves up with a bit of a legacy with such a beautiful filly. As much as we had very high expectations, we are realistic. Once you get over that million mark you never really know where you're going."

Zoustar stood the most recent breeding season at a fee of \$220,000.

# Lot 42 - Zoustar x Fundamentalist (Not A Single Doubt), colt, \$1,900,000

Tom Magnier was the first buyer to break the seven-figure barrier at this year's Australian Easter Yearling Sale when the Coolmore man stretched to \$1.9m for the Zoustar colt out of the high-performing Fundamentalist (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}).

Offered by Segenhoe Stud, the youngster is the third foal out of the two-time winner, whose biggest victory came in the Listed Dequetteville S. Fundamentalist performed to an even higher level in defeat having reached the podium in no less than five Group 1 contests, most notably when runner-up to The Autumn Sun (Aus) in the Randwick Guineas.

The mare also finished second to Nakeeta Jane (Aus)(So You Think {NZ}) in the Surround S. and filled the same spot behind Amphitrite in the Thousand Guineas.

"He's a lovely colt," said Magnier. "He stood out in the Segenhoe draft this week. They always do a good job and Peter O'Brien (Segenhoe general manager) always reminds me of the

horses that we leave behind out of Segenhoe so I wasn't going to give him that opportunity today. He's a lovely colt, a great mover and it's family we all know. Chris (Waller) will train so fingers crossed."

Expanding on the colt's appeal, Magnier added: "He just floated around the sales complex. He's obviously a big, strong horse with loads of quality and when you see the brand on the shoulder, it needs no introduction. The whole team liked him."

The Zoustar--Not A Single Doubt



Tom Magnier | Inglis

cross has yielded seven winners from 12 runners, including the stakes scorers Schwarz (Aus)(Zoustar) and Solar Star (Aus) (Zoustar).

Fundamentalist herself fetched just \$135,000 when purchased by Aquis Farm and Blue Sky Bloodstock at the 2017 Magic Millions Gold Coast National Yearling Sale. She went on to earn over \$700,000 in prize-money during her racing career before being passed in at \$1m at the 2020 Inglis Chairman's Sale.

Her first foal, an as yet unraced Zoustar colt, brought \$560,000 from Ciaron Maher at the 2021 Gold Coast National Weanling Sale, while Yulong Investments went to \$280,000 for her Written Tycoon (Aus) colt presented at last year's Easter Sale.

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Co-breeder Wes Heritage was among those on hand to witness the seven-figure transaction, and the Gold Coast-based businessman reflected on the sale by saying: "Peter O' Brien and all the Segenhoe team were pumping my tyres up telling me to expect a good day but I never dreamed it would be like this! It's a fantastic result and I'm thrilled."

As well as securing one of day one's leading lots, Coolmore are selling a heavyweight draft over the two sessions. The consignment is headlined by the highly touted Pierro (Aus) filly out of wondermare Winx (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire}), who sells as Lot 391 on Monday.

When asked how that side of the sale was progressing, Magnier said: "The team at the farm have obviously done a great job. We went out with our partners a long time ago to find the best mares and this is the start of (their progeny) coming through. We're extremely fortunate to have the Winx filly here and I think there'll be some fireworks here tomorrow afternoon. We can't wait.

"The Booker filly (Lot 443, by I Am Invincible) is going down very well, so is the Sunlight (Aus) (brother, Lot 304), there's a whole load of them there. Hopefully they all find good homes and all the top trainers are pleased with the draft.

"I don't think I've ever seen a complex anywhere in the world as busy as it was at 11.50am here today, so full credit to Inglis."

# Lot 186 - I Am Invincible x Notting Hill, filly, \$1,800,000

Nick Wakim of Victorian outfit Hilldene Farm made his presence felt when he secured the I Am Invincible filly out of Notting Hill (Aus) (Taiki Shuttle {USA}), for \$1.8 million. The third top lot was offered by Yarraman Park Stud and is due to go into training with Ciaron Maher.

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There is plenty of bold black type on the filly's page as her dam is a sibling to nine winners, including the likes of Group 3 scorer Precious Lorraine (Aus) (Dundeel {NZ}), now the dam of Listed winner Meuse (Aus) (Snitzel), and the stakes winner Star Of Monsoon (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}). Notting Hill's dam, Monsoon Wedding (Aus) (Danehill {USA}) is a sibling to breed-shaping sire Redoute's Choice and fellow Group 1 winners Manhattan Rain (Aus) (Encosta De Lago {Aus}) and Platinum Scissors (Aus) (Danehill {USA}).

The filly is the third foal out of Notting Hill, who has already opened her account at paddocks thanks to the US-bred Maroon Bells (War Front) who won a maiden special weight at Gulfstream Park in 2022.

"Lovely filly, she was always a lovely filly and she was always going to sell well," said Yarraman Park's Arthur Mitchell.

"She was on the market at \$200,000. She's probably one of the nicest fillies in the sale. She ranks right up at the pointy end of the other 'Vinny' fillies we've sold. She's gorgeous and has been from day one."

The filly's price eclipsed the sum that her dam fetched when she was offered at the Gold Coast Yearling Sale in 2016 as James Harron Bloodstock and De Burgh Equine combined at \$1.4 million to secure the daughter of Pierro. Notting Hill last changed hands on the public market in 2019 when she was bought by Craig Bernick's Glen Hill Farm for \$700,000 at the Keeneland November Sale.

# Lot 68 - Snitzel x Hips Don't Lie (NZ) (Stravinsky), filly, \$1,100,000

Coolmore turned vendor for the second lot to break into seven-figure territory as Kia Ora and Tony Fung Investments paid \$1.1million for the Snitzel filly out of blue hen mare Hips Don't Lie (Stravinsky {USA}). The dam was a high-class runner herself, winning the G2 Reisling S. during her time in training, and has proved even more talented at paddocks.

She has bred eight winners from as many foals to race and remarkably four of those, all by Fastnet Rock (Aus), have gained black type. Lake Geneva (Aus) (Lomond) won the Listed Crockett S. and also ran third in Vancouver's Golden Slipper, while Acrobat won a Randwick Listed contest in track-record time before retiring to the Coolmore stallion roster after that solitary start.

The famous family has been in the headlines in recent times thanks to Hips Don't Lie's Group 3-winning daughter Ennis Hill (Aus) (Fastnet Rock), who is the dam of last year's leading juvenile filly Learning To Fly (Aus) (Justify {USA}). The Kia Ora team already knows plenty about the pedigree as they signed for Learning To Fly at \$900,000 during the 2022 Easter Sale.

Commenting on Sunday's purchase, Kia Ora's bloodstock and breeding manager Shane Wright said: "She looks very sharp, very early and she's our style of a filly. The family is amazing; there's an up-and-coming stallion in there and then it's an amazing fillies family, so it's just going to keep improving and improving over the years.

"We've tried to buy one or two out of the pedigree before, obviously we got Learning To Fly, so we're very happy to have a second member of the family. We don't usually decide on trainers for fillies this early, we'll wait until the end of the sale and see what the portfolio brings."

The result means that Hips Don't Lie has now been responsible for five million dollar-plus Easter yearlings. Lake Geneva fetched \$1million from Hawkes Racing in 2014, Aquanita Racing gave the same sum for Irish Sea (Aus) (Fastnet Rock) in 2015 while Sia (Aus) (Fastnet Rock) cost Jadeskye Racing and Nordic Breeding & Racing \$1.1million a further 12 months on. Her most expensive yearling to date is Humming (Aus) (I Am Invincible) who was bought by Sheamus Mills for \$1.95million in 2021.

Hips Don't Lie's daughters have understandably become extremely valuable broodmare prospects and the 2022 Chairman's Sale saw Hilldene Farm and James Bester combine at \$1.6m to secure Sia.

Bester knows more about Hips Don't Lie than most as the agent unearthed the daughter of Stravinsky for NZ\$200,000 at the New Zealand Bloodstock Premier Yearling Sale back in 2007.

### Lot 37 - Zoustar x Formality filly, \$950,000

A sensational session of selling for Widden Stud kingpin Zoustar kicked off when Sheamus Mills and James Bester combined at \$950,000 for the filly out of Formality (Aus) (Fastnet Rock).

Another from the Coolmore consignment, the filly's dam won two Group 2 prizes during her time on the track, namely the Furious S. and the Silver Shadow S., beating Champagne Cuddles (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt) for the former success and seeing off Alizee (Aus) (Sepoy (Aus)) in for the latter.

In turn, Formality is out of Jolie's Shinju (Jpn), a daughter of the Halo stallion Jolie's Halo who was crowned Horse of The Year in Singapore in 2009.

Formality has fielded one winner from as many runners at stud, with the Justify colt Javaja (Aus) winning two from two for trainer Stuart Kendrick in the colours of Kia Ora and TFI last season. Javaja also fetched \$950,000 when offered by Coolmore at the 2022 edition of the Easter Sale.

This was Mills' first purchase in conjunction with Bester, and the agent explained how the pair came together. "I was pretty keen on the filly," he said. "In this day and age you see so many horses knocked down to multiple names, so, especially at something like the Easter Sale, you're often trying to work out if you can team up with other people.

"I was obviously pretty keen on the filly, then I found out that James was as well so it worked out well. James's client will take the vast majority of the horse and I will actually end up a minority partner."

Mills said that no decision had been reached over who will train the filly.

### Lot 82 - Zoustar x Invictus Salute, filly \$950,000

Another Zoustar filly fetched \$950,000 later in the session when Andrew Williams signed for the first living foal of Listed scorer Invictus Salute (Aus) (Exceed And Excel). Offered by Catriona and Royston Murphy's Sledmere Stud, the dam recorded the biggest of her six racecourse victories in the Listed Starlight S.



Lot 82 bought by Andrew Williams | Inglis

Invictus Salute's profile is underpinned not only by performance but pedigree too as she is a half-sister to the dual Group 2 winner Splintex (Aus)(Snitzel). In turn, the siblings are out of Acquired (NZ), an O'Reilly half-sister to the aforementioned blue hen Hips Don't Lie.

"She looks like she's built for speed," said Royston Murphy. "I suppose the most exciting part of breeding is that you look forward to what is to come and we believe she will be running early next year.

"The mare has a cracking Home Affairs filly at home, which we would rate nearly the best foal on the farm, if not the best foal. We stepped up again and went back to I Am Invincible so she's back in foal again. We hope the future is bright for her."

## ASIA

# STRONG FINISH CARRIES STELLENBOSCH TO OKA SHO GLORY By Adam Houghton

**Stellenbosch (Jpn)** (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) reversed the form with her G1 Hanshin Juvenile Fillies conqueror, **Ascoli Piceno (Jpn)** Daiwa Major (Jpn), as she ran out an authoritative winner of Sunday's G1 Oka Sho (Japanese 1,000 Guineas) at Hanshin Racecourse, the first leg of the Japanese Triple Tiara.

The hitherto unbeaten Ascoli Piceno was crowned champion Japanese two-year-old filly in 2023, though Stellenbosch didn't have much to find with the favourite on their Hanshin Juvenile Fillies running when she'd finished best of all from the rear of the field to be beaten just a neck at the line.

This time Joao Moreira's mount always had Ascoli Piceno in her sights having recovered quickly from a slow start to race on the immediate inside of her old rival, with the pair finding a slot

in mid-division as Shonan Manuela (Jpn) (Just A Way {Jpn}) led the field in the early stages. Swinging wide on the home turn, Stellenbosch quickly moved ahead of Ascoli Piceno and again impressed with her strength at the finish as she powered home to claim brief leader Etes Vous Prets (Jpn) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) in the final 100 metres. Ascoli Piceno tried to match strides with the winner but was still three quarters of a length behind at the line, with another half a length back to

Stellenbosch | Horsephotos

the fast-finishing **Light Back (Jpn)** (Kizuna {Jpn}) in third.

It was a third victory in the Oka Sho for trainer Sakae Kunieda, who was previously successful in 2010 with Apapane (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) and in 2018 with the brilliant Triple Tiara heroine Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), while Brazilianborn Moreira was celebrating his first win in the Classic.

"She didn't jump very well, but she did nothing wrong during the race--she was very impressive," said Moreira. "When we were approaching the home turn, we were trapped but as we passed by the 500-metre marker, we were able to split horses. She went up front a little bit too early and I was worried she couldn't sustain her speed all the way to the end but, as with all good horses, she has proved to be capable and has given me my second Group 1 win in Japan which will be in my heart forever."

Stellenbosch shares her sire with Daring Tact (Jpn), who also completed the Triple Tiara in 2020, while Liberty Island (Jpn) (Duramente {Jpn}) became the seventh filly to win all three legs in 2023. The next leg, the G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks), takes place at Tokyo Racecourse on Sunday, May 19.

Prior to filling the runner-up spot in the Hanshin Juvenile Fillies, Stellenbosch won two of her first three starts last year, making a successful debut over nine furlongs at Sapporo in July before bouncing back from her first defeat to double her career tally over a mile at Tokyo in November.

### **Pedigree Notes:**

Stellenbosch is one of three Classic winners and four Group 1 winners for Epiphaneia, who won the G1 Kikuka Sho (Japanese St Leger) himself in 2013. He later doubled his tally at the top

level when also winning the Japan Cup the following year. As well as the Triple Tiara heroine Daring Tact, Epiphaneia is also responsible for the G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2,000 Guineas) winner Efforia (Jpn), who subsequently struck in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) and G1 Arima Kinen in a brilliant three-year-old campaign in 2021. Circle Of Life (Jpn) was the champion two-year-old for Epiphaneia the same year when the G1 Hanshin Juvenile Fillies

was her standout victory.

Last year's Hanshin Juvenile Fillies runner-up Stellenbosch is the first winner and first runner out of the winning Bloukrans, who did her best work at around 10 furlongs on turf. Bloukrans is in turn out of a half-sister to the late Deep Impact (Jpn), the Japanese Triple Crown winner who quickly rose to become one of the world's most influential stallions. Deep Impact and Stellenbosch's grandam, Land's Edge, were both out of the blue hen Wind In Her Hair, herself a Group 1 winner in Germany and runner-up in the G1 Oaks at Epsom.

# **Sunday, Hanshin, Japan OKA SHO (JAPANESE 1000 GUINEAS)-G1**, ¥304,040,000, Hanshin, 4-7, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:32.20, fm.

1--STELLENBOSCH (JPN), 121, f, 2, Epiphaneia (Jpn) 1st Dam: Bloukrans (Jpn), by Rulership (Jpn)

2nd Dam: Land's Edge (Jpn), by Dance in the Dark (Jpn)

3rd Dam: Wind in Her Hair (Ire), by Alzao

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN.

O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Sakae Kunieda; J-Joao Moreira; ¥166,628,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, ¥215,468,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.** 

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- 2--Ascoli Piceno (Jpn), 121, f, 3, by Daiwa Major (Jpn)--Ascolti (Jpn), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥63,608,000.
- 3--Light Back (Jpn), 121, f, 3, by Kizuna (Jpn)--In The Spotlight (Ire), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (¥242,000,000 Ylg '22 HOKJUL). O-Kazuhiro Masuda; B-Lake Villa Farm (Jpn); ¥38,804,000.

Margins: 3/4, NK, HF. Odds: 3.30, 2.50, 13.60.

Also ran: Sweep Feet (Jpn), Etes Vous Prets (Ire), Wide Latour (Jpn), Sekitoba East (Jpn), Queen's Walk (Jpn), Teumessa (Jpn), Hawaian Tiare (Jpn), Ipheion (Jpn), Chicago Sting (Jpn), Cervinia (Jpn), Mask All Win (Jpn), Cecile Plage (Jpn), Corazon Beat (Jpn), Shonan Manuela (Jpn), Catfight (Jpn). Click for the JRA chart & video.

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

**SPRINT CUP-G2**, HK\$5,350,000, Sha Tin, 4-7, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:09.17, gd.

1--LUCKY SWEYNESSE (NZ), 128, g, 5, by Sweynesse (Aus)

1st Dam: Madonna Mia (NZ) (SW-NZ, \$134,764),

by Red Clubs (Ire)

2nd Dam: Hill of Hope (Aus), by Danehill 3rd Dam: Macozie (Aus), by Marscay (Aus)

(NZ\$90,000 2yo '20 NZBRTR). O-Cheng Ming Leung, Cheng Yu Tung, Cheng Mei Mei & Cheng Yu Wai; B-P L Dombroski, Explosive Breeding Ltd & S A Sharrock; T-Manfred Man; J-Hugh Bowman; HK\$2,996,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. 4yo, Ch. Sprinter & MG1SW-HK, 24-16-4-1, HK\$74,279,900. \*Full to Signora Nera (NZ), G1SP-Aus, GSP-NZ, \$145,027. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Invincible Sage (Aus), 123, g, 4, Thronum (Aus)--Thorsborne (Aus), by Hinchinbrook (Aus). (A\$200,000 Ylg '21 INGMAR). O-David Hall Trainer Syndicate; B-Sun Bloodstock (Vic); T-David Hall; J-Alexis Badel; HK\$1,123,500.

3--Flying Ace (NZ), 123, g, 6, Swiss Ace (Aus)--Dancescape (Aus), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). O-William Tsang; B-G Harvey; T-David Hall; J-Zac Purton; HK\$615,250.

Margins: HF, 2, NK. Odds: Evens, 11-1, 9-1.

Also Ran: Howdeepisyourlove (Aus), Packing Treadmill (Aus), Whizz Kid (Aus), Nervous Witness (Aus), Duke Wai (NZ), Lucky With You (Aus), Tomodachi Kokoroe (Aus). DNF: Adios (Aus) (bled bilaterally). Click for the HKJC chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

**CHAIRMAN'S TROPHY-G2**, HK\$5,350,000, Sha Tin, 4-7, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:34.03, gd.

1--BEAUTY JOY (AUS), 123, g, 7, by Sebring (Aus)

1st Dam: Impressive Jeuney (Aus) (GSW & G1SP-Aus, \$576,742), by Jeune (GB)

2nd Dam: Rego's Girl (Aus), by Rory's Jester (Aus) 3rd Dam: Key Target (Aus), by Serheed

O-Eleanor Kwok Law Kwai Chun & Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen; B-Impressive Racing Pty Ltd (WA); T-Tony Cruz; J-Brenton Avdulla; HK\$2,996,000. Lifetime Record: SW-Aus, 33-10-5-5, HK\$24,053,350. Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Beauty Eternal (Aus), 123, g, 5, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--- Ithacan Queen (NZ), by Savabeel (Aus). (A\$90,000 Ylg '20 INGFEB). O-Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen; B-P Raftopolous (Vic); T-Tony Cruz; J-Zac Purton; HK\$1,123,500.
- 3--Red Lion (Ire), 123, g, 5, Belardo (Ire)--Crystal Idea (Ire), by Namid (GB). (€7,000 Ylg '20 TATDEC; £240,000 RNA HRA '22 GOFLON). O-The Hon Ronald J Arculli GBM GBS JP & Johanna K J Arculli BBS; B-P Harney; T-John Size; J-Antoine Hamelin; HK\$615,250.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, NO. Odds: 18-5, 11-10, 23-1. Also Ran: Nimble Nimbus (NZ), Happy Together (Ire), Taj Dragon (Ire), Super Sunny Sing (Aus), Sword Point (Aus), Healthy Happy (Aus), The Best Peach (Ire), Russian Emperor (Ire), Money Catcher (NZ), Encountered (Ire). Click for the HKJC chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.

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