

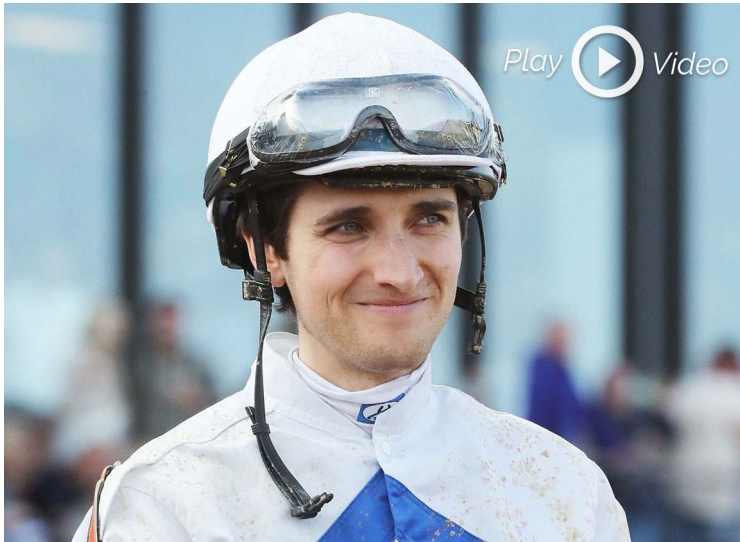


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## KEITH ASMUSSEN JOINS TDN WRITERS' ROOM PODCAST



Keith Asmussen | Coady Photography

Few jockeys have ever come so far so fast. Keith Asmussen, the son of Hall of Fame trainer Steve Asmussen, has been riding full time for less than two years, but has already snagged mounts in the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Kentucky Oaks and sits in second-place in the jockey standings at Oaklawn Park. Asmussen, who will ride Just Steel (**Justify**) in the Derby and Lemon Muffin (**Collected**) in the Oaks for trainer Wayne Lukas, joined the TDN Writers' Room Podcast presented by **Keeneland** this week to discuss his rapid ascension, riding in the Derby, how, at 5 foot 10, he manages his weight and much more. Asmussen was the **Green Group** Guest of the Week.

Though his father has enjoyed much more success as a trainer than he did as a jockey, Asmussen never gave training a serious thought. His dream was to be a jockey.

"I think it just comes with being around the racetrack," he said. "It was the immediate infatuation of being on the backside and around horses. I had kind of the progression of hot walker, groom, exercise rider. I just absolutely fell in love with the idea of being on the back of a horse. It just kind of progressed from there. It was a pipe dream to begin with. And now it's a very real profession that I absolutely am in love with." **Cont. p3.**

## FOREVER YOUNG GOES SIX FURLONGS AT CHURCHILL AMID BUSY DERBY WORKERS

With Derby week just around the corner, the morning work tab under the Twin Spires was chock full of participants Wednesday, but one entry went further than the others.

Susumu Fujita's undefeated **Forever Young (Jpn)** (Real Steel {Jpn}) worked sathanix furlongs in 1:19.60 over a fast track. With jockey Ryusei Sakai aboard, the colt posted fractions of :14.80, :28.80, :42.60, :55.20, 1:19.60 and out seven furlongs in 1:33.60. He was joined for the last half-mile by **Cuffed Candy (Candy Ride {Arg})**, an unraced 3-year-old for trainer Dale Romans.

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That Lukas has enough faith in Asmussen to let him ride his Derby horse says a lot about the jockey's ability and that he can compete against the very best.

"To ride for him is an awesome feeling," he said. "He's a horseman that has literally changed the game into what it is today. For him to show confidence in my ability...I mean, there's nothing more invigorating than that on a professional level. He is notorious for being critical of jockeys, but it's because he expects the best and that's the level I aspire to compete at. I believe I am malleable enough that he will help make me into an incredible rider, which is my aspiration."

He speaks highly of his entire family, including his uncle, Cash. Cash Asmussen, who enjoyed success in Europe and the U.S., was one of the best riders of his generation. Asmussen has been quick to pick his uncle's brain and seek his advice.

"He is so knowledgeable," Asmussen said. "You would start a sentence and you try to say what you mean. You don't even need to finish the sentence. He already knows what you're talking about. He can totally walk you through what small alterations you need to make."

In our breeding spotlight section we took a look at the [WinStar stallion Independence Hall](#). We also spotlighted the [Coolmore stallion Jack Christopher](#).

Elsewhere on the podcast, which is also sponsored by the [Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association](#), [Coolmore](#), [West Point Thoroughbreds](#), [WinStar](#), [Pleasant Acres Farm](#) and [XBTv.com](#), the team of T.D. Thornton, Bill Finley and Zoe Cadman talked about owner Amr Zedan's on-going quest to force Churchill Downs to allow his star 3-year-old Muth ([Good Magic](#)) to be entered in the Derby despite the ban of trainer Bob Baffert. We also discussed the news of the recent Hall of Fame inductees, [Justify](#) (Scat Daddy), [Gun Runner](#) ([Candy Ride {Arg}](#)) and Joel Rosario. Cadman said that Kona Gold (Java Gold) should have been added to the list and Finley made the case for trainer John Sadler. Cadman gave an update on the OBS Spring sale and the team discussed Charlie Appleby's decision to campaign a string of horses in the U.S.

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"Thanks to Dale Romans (with providing the workmate) so we were able to do exactly what we want to do this far out (from the Derby)," Ryusei said through a translator.

As usual, Forever Young warmed up in the mile chute for a half-hour during the first harrow break of the morning before commencing his work that went off slowly and finished with a final quarter-mile in :24.40. The Yoshito Yahagi trainee also visited the starting gate after the work.

"The gate was no problem," said the jockey, who missed out on riding in last year's Derby after **Continuar (Jpn)** (Drefong) was scratched days before the race. "He has been to the gate before at all the places he has run."

Forever Young, winner of the GIII Saudi Derby and GII UAE



Forever Young | Coady Media

Derby, is scheduled to have another work next week. However, Ryusei will not be aboard as he is returning to Japan to ride this weekend.

**Next Up ... Pletcher, Brown, Cox**

As for the Derby prep schedule pointing towards the weekend, trainer Todd Pletcher plans to work **Fierceness (City of Light)** on Friday morning with John Velazquez in the irons.

While trainer Chad Brown is scheduled to send out on Saturday morning **Sierra Leone (Gun Runner)** and **Domestic Product (Practical Joke)**. Brad Cox will do the same with his trio of Derby hopefuls, **Encino (City of Light)**, **Catching Freedom (Constitution)** and **Just a Touch (Justify)**.

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## NY TIMES, FX INVESTIGATION INTO RACING FAILS TO BREAK NEW GROUND

by Bill Finley

The much-anticipated documentary “The New York Times Presents: “Broken Horses” will debut on the FX Network Friday at 10 p.m ET and will begin streaming on Hulu next day. What follows is a review of the documentary.

You probably haven’t seen the FX documentary “The New York Times Presents: “Broken Horses” yet, but, then again, you have. Be it from 60 Minutes, HBO’s Real Sports, the Washington Post or in the pages of the New York Times, the story of horse racing’s problems has been told numerous times. It’s not that these aren’t serious issues or things that the sport should be sweeping under the rug. It’s just that after a while one grows weary of being told ad nauseam that the sport is rotten...especially when the positive changes racing has made are always downplayed and the many things that make the game special are conveniently ignored.

But when it was announced last year that the FX Network and the New York Times had teamed up to produce a documentary on racing and its woes it was time to be concerned. Thanks in large part to the reporting of and relentless criticism by sportswriter Joe Drape, no outlet had been tougher on racing than the Times or caused more damage to its image. That the Times was now taking the story to the small screen and that Drape and colleague Melissa Hoppert were listed as the producers of the documentary was ominous. The Times appears to have an anti-racing bias and two of its reporters had been given free reign to use its ample resources to bludgeon horse racing. This promised to get ugly.

By no means is Broken Horses kind to racing, but what is truly surprising is that after all the time and effort that was obviously put into creating this piece, the documentary seems a bit stale.

The gist of the story is that racing has become a huge business that is all about money and that greed has led people in the industry to put the almighty dollar ahead of the welfare of the horse.

“I have been covering racing for 25 years and I have seen the money and the economics just bloom,” Drape says. “It’s a ‘win now’ culture and I’m afraid it’s eclipsed the culture of ‘let’s care for our horses first,’” Drape says.

He continues: “The use of drugs in horse racing really picked up in the eighties and it was largely because of the money. Purses were exploding, stallion rights were exploding. And you saw more horses dying.”

Arthur Hancock has this to say: “Willie Nelson said greed is a terminable disease and I think you see a lot of that in this business, in every aspect of it.”

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Thoroughbred racing | Sarah Andrew

When it comes to controversies, they leave no stone unturned. There were too many breakdowns at Churchill Downs and then Saratoga. Jorge Navarro, Jason Servis, Dr. Seth Fishman. It took an FBI investigation to bring them down. Bob Baffert is the boogeyman. The use of even legal drugs has gotten out of hand. Super trainers are ruining the sport. Things got so bad that the government needed to intervene and create the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority. Their narrative is complemented by the predictable montage of gore, one scene after another of horses falling, breaking down and flailing helplessly on the racetrack until they could be euthanized.

With all the controversies he has been involved with, Baffert was an especially easy target.

That Churchill Downs banned him after the 2021 GI Kentucky Derby is a big part of the narrative. The Broken Dreams team deserves credit for getting Churchill Downs Inc. CEO Bill Carastanjen, who rarely grants interviews, to come on a camera. He explains the rationale behind banning Baffert when he says, "We needed to take action because we actually run a racetrack. We have to make sure our product is fair and that it is safe." Carastanjen goes on to say that the ban was extended through 2024 because Baffert never accepted responsibility for or apologized for his actions after Medina Spirit (Protonico) tested positive for betamethasone following the 2021 Derby.

Broken Horses also drudges up the subject of the breakdown of the Baffert trained Havnameltdown (Uncaptured) in the Gill Chick Lang S. on the undercard of the 2023 GI Preakness. They conclude that the horse came into the race with numerous problems that any trainer or veterinarian should have recognized and that he had no business racing that day. Their "smoking gun" is that the horse allegedly had corticosteroids and hyaluronic acid injected into both hocks and both stifles. Or at least that is the conclusion formed by Dr. Sheila Lyons. The

problem is that Lyons is not a racetrack veterinarian. This is from her own website: "Doctor Lyons' international private consulting practice includes elite race, dressage, show jumping, combined training, endurance and polo horses." Lyons has been attacking racing for years and that she is not directly involved in the sport makes her less than credible.

It will be interesting to see how the industry reacts to the documentary. After *60 Minutes* aired its piece last November the reaction was vitriolic and much of it was aimed at The Jockey Club and its chairman Stuart Janney III. (Janney is also interviewed in the FX production but probably didn't say anything that would draw the ire of his critics).

Though this very review may raise concerns that we are attacking the messenger, that isn't necessarily the case. It is more a critique of the body of work and how it left a lot to be desired and that the reporting was borderline lazy. Much of what it had to say is true, even if we have heard it all before.

What they got right is that horse racing has serious problems, so much so that its very existence is in jeopardy. The industry tends to circle the wagons when things don't go its way, and that hasn't done the sport any good. You don't have to like Drape, the *New York Times*, *The New York Times Presents: "Broken Horses"* or Dr. Lyons. But to ignore what they have to say is not the answer. Yes, this documentary was hardly enlightening, but that doesn't make things any better. The way to silence the critics is not to shout them down but to solve the problems they seem so eager to bring to light.

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## JUSTIFY TO REMAIN AT ASHFORD, COVER SELECT MARES ON SO. HEMISPHERE TIME

**Justify** (Scat Daddy--Stage Magic, by **Ghostzapper**) won't be returning to stand at Coolmore Australia this spring and will remain at Coolmore's Ashford Stud in Kentucky where he will cover a select book of mares to southern hemisphere time late in the year.

"It's a similar situation to **Frankel** in England where they serve mares to southern hemisphere time," said Coolmore's Tom Magnier. "We will be sending up some of our best mares and some of our clients here will have the opportunity to send their mares to him too."

"Many of the mares that might have visited **Justify** here have already been booked into our G1 Golden Slipper winner Shinto (Aus) whose retirement was announced a few days ago," added Magnier. "We have had a fantastic response to him from our clients."

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## OFF-TRACK THOROUGHBREDS GIVE CEROFOLINI NEW LEASE ON LIFE

by Christina Bossinakis

For Andrea Cerofolini, the love of the horse was ignited later in life. But his passion for the Thoroughbred has taken center stage over the past decade, highlighted by an ever-deepening involvement with off-the-track race horses.

“When I’m on a Thoroughbred, I feel like I am flying on a cloud,” Cerofolini said. “I just don’t feel that way on other types of horses. It’s just magical.”

Through his connection with the Thoroughbred, Cerofolini became involved with TAKE2, a non-profit committed to promoting and developing second careers for racehorses following their retirement from the track.

“From the day I arrived, I felt so welcome,” he said of the events the organization hosts. “I felt as if I was part of an elite group. And the Thoroughbred competitors I’ve met along the way are so nice. It really is a big community of animal lovers. That’s why we have so much fun at these competitions. We get to see the same riders and same horses, which has allowed us to become friends.”

Quiet Ray, who helped light Cerofolini’s passion with off-the-track Thoroughbreds in 2015, didn’t appear to be an ideal starter horse for the then inexperienced rider. A \$540,000

Keeneland September yearling purchase in 2013, the striking son of Eskendereya didn’t make much of an impact at the races, hitting the board in one of nine career starts before retiring in 2015 with \$6,600 in earnings. The chestnut, initially used as a Fox Hunter following his retirement from racing, clearly needed some time to ease off the pedal, recalls Cerofolini.

“After I took him home, I was ready to call the owner and tell them we can’t keep the horse,” he recalled. “But the horse and I fell in love only after a couple of days. He was really personable and really sweet with me, although not particularly with others. He nuzzled my neck and that was it.”

The two started showing in the spring of 2019, competed in their first TAKE2 Jumper class together in 2020, and joined the TAKE2 League for the 2021 season. Their first foray into the \$20,000 TAKE2 Hunter & Jumper Finals did not go well, with an unplanned dismount leading to elimination. But Cerofolini and Quiet Ray finished third in the Jumper Finals in 2022. Thirteenth, but with just four faults, in 2023, the plan is to go for the gold in 2024.

“I’ve made some improvements, mainly in my riding, so I’ll try to win this year!” Cerofolini said.

Asked what makes the Thoroughbred the ideal partner in competition, Cerofolini explained, “The advantage of a Thoroughbred is its braveness, heart and its incredible athleticism. They are just more reactive. One thing about them is you really need to get out of their way as a rider. It’s almost like a song, and you try to stay on beat.”

Cerofolino has traveled to the beat of his own drummer through a storied life. A native of Como, Italy, Cerofolini gained valuable experience in Italian wine making, courtesy of his parents, before relocating to the U.S. to attend college in Boston in the late ‘90s.

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**Andrea Cerofolini aboard Quiet Ray, an off-the-track race horse**  
Courtesy A Cerofolini

Following his graduation in 2001, he embarked on a brief stint in the financial and broadcasting sectors in New York City before returning to Italy.

Drawn back to the U.S. following a divorce, Cerofolini was introduced to bird dogs in 2010, which resulted in a need for more land to care for his sport dogs. His increasing involvement with that sport precipitated the decision to leave his New-York-based position as a master tailor with the international luxury men's wear brand Ermenegildo Zegna. His involvement with competitive bird dogging also opened the door to Cerofolini's other passion, horses.

His four-legged companions set him on a circuitous trek around the country, ultimately leading him to Aiken, South Carolina. Instantly enamored with the region, he purchased a 50-acre tract of land in Ridge Spring in 2015 and named the property Magnolia Shadows. Built in 1895, the property's restored plantation home became the focal point for the endeavor, marrying Cerofolini's love of hospitality, horses and sport dogs while creating a serene country experience nestled in Aiken County. Anchoring the Equestrian training and stabling facility, Magnolia Shadows is located near several Aiken equestrian venues of show jumping, three-day eventing, polo, fox hunting, 'Hunt Week' and racing.

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Cerofolini's years of experience as a sommelier are underpinned by fellow Italian Cecilia Lezzani's talents as RISERVA'S head chef.

"Everything is handmade and made on the day of serving for the number of people that have reserved a spot--we only have 20 seatings a night. Cecilia makes everything, it's a very meticulous time-consuming operation. I am the host and I do the wine pouring and the win-tasting menus. I am very involved because I love it."

But as much as he loves playing host, Cerofolini is always drawn back to the Thoroughbreds.

"I dedicate my life to horses now," he said. "And without taking anything away from the other horses, Thoroughbreds are unique. They can be a little bit naughty sometimes, but that can be a positive in a sport horse. Their versatility is exciting. And you really see them pouring their hearts out in competition. I really think the Thoroughbred is the best horse in the world."

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## KENTUCKY DOWNS CONDITION BOOK RELEASED WITH EXPANDED STAKES

Headed by the renamed \$2.5 million GIII **Nashville** Derby Aug. 31, Kentucky Downs will stage six races worth at least \$2 million apiece, including supplements for registered Kentucky-breds, at this year's seven-day race meet which runs Aug. 29 and 31 and Sept. 1, 5, 7, 8 and 11, the track said in a Wednesday release.

The Kentucky Downs condition book features purses scheduled to total \$35 million, including \$16 million in Kentucky-bred money. The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission on Tuesday approved Kentucky Downs's purse enhancement request from the Kentucky Thoroughbred Development Fund (KTDF), which is restricted to registered horses that were foaled in the Commonwealth and sired by a Kentucky stallion. **Cont.**



**Last year's Dueling Grounds Derby at Kentucky Downs**  
Coady Photography

Previously known as the Dueling Grounds Derby, the **Nashville** Derby becomes the richest race in track history and the most lucrative grass race in North America outside the \$5 million GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf. The only American race offering more money for Kentucky-breds on any surface outside the Breeders' Cup are the GI Kentucky Derby and the GI Pegasus World Cup.

"We want to build the **Nashville** Derby into a race that American and European horsemen alike point to and buy horses for," said Ron Winchell, co-managing partner of Kentucky Downs with Marc Falcone. "The name change reflects our close proximity to one of America's great cities, which we see as an added incentive for coming. Even horses that aren't Kentucky-breds still will race for \$1.5 million, and we've positioned the **Nashville** Derby so that it fits into a big-money circuit for 3-year-old turf horses with Keeneland and Churchill Downs' stakes as well as the New York's Belmont Derby, Saratoga Derby and Jockey Club Derby."

The Kentucky Downs meet will have 11 stakes overall worth at least \$1 million (including KTDF supplements) out of a total of 18 stakes. Nine stakes enjoy graded status, including the track's first Grade I stakes in the \$2 million Franklin-Simpson for 3-year-old sprinters. The showcase Sept. 7 card's six graded stakes offer a total of \$10 million in purses, including a quartet of \$2 million races.

Also being bumped to \$2 million this year are the Franklin-Simpson; the GII Kentucky Turf Cup at 1 1/2 miles for older horses; GII Kentucky Downs Turf Sprint for sprinters and the GII Music City S. for 3-year-old filly sprinters. The Kentucky Turf Cup was raised from \$1.7 million last year; the others from \$1 million, including KTDF. **Cont.**



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Other races getting purse hikes: the \$1.5 million GIII Ladies Turf and \$1.5 million Dueling Grounds Oaks (both \$1 million last year). Kentucky Downs's four stakes for 2-year-olds were increased to \$750,000 from \$500,000 for Kentucky-breds.

An 18th stakes was added: The \$500,000 **Nashville** Gold Cup at 2 1/16 miles set for Sept. 11's closing card.

The Kentucky Downs Turf Sprint and Kentucky Downs Turf Cup winners receive a fees-paid berth in the corresponding Breeders' Cup race.

Kentucky Downs overnight purses, the richest in America, also were raised. Maiden races, already the richest in the world, increase from \$150,000 to \$170,000, with allowance races worth up to \$220,000 for Kentucky-breds among the 75 total races scheduled for the meet.

To boost its international profile, Kentucky Downs has added track executive Martin Panza to its staff. He brings 30 years of experience, including being senior vice president of racing operations at the New York Racing Association from 2013-2021.

Another addition includes the services of the International Racing Bureau, which has planned and/or launched the Breeders' Cup, Dubai World Cup, Japan Cup and Arlington Million. The organization recruits overseas horses for big race dates around the world, working with horsemen and the tracks on logistics.

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**TOPIC:**  
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Dr. Laura Kennedy (UKVDL Pathologist)  
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Gabapentin is a Class B controlled medication under HISA that is an FDA human-approved anticonvulsant used to treat conditions like epilepsy, postherpetic neuralgia and in the treatment of partial onset seizures.

There is currently no detailed explanation behind these rulings posted on HIWU's website.

**NEW HISA/HIWU STEWARDS RULINGS**

The following rulings were reported on HISA's "[rulings](#)" portal and through the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit's (HIWU) "[pending](#)" and "[resolved](#)" cases portals. **Cont.**

## WEEKLY RULINGS


### **WEEKLY STEWARDS AND COMMISSIONS RULINGS, APR. 18-24** by Dan Ross

Every week, the TDN posts a roundup of the relevant Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) related rulings from around the country.

Among this week's rulings, trainer Candelario Villamar has been suspended 15-days and fined \$1,000 after his trainee, Olivia's Choice, tested positive for capsaicin when finishing third at Turf Paradise on Feb. 26.

A Class B controlled medication under HISA, capsaicin is the active ingredient in chilli peppers causing burning and irritation, and can be found in topical analgesics.


Trainer Valorie Lund has been banned seven days and fined \$1,000 after Amaretto Di Amore tested positive for gabapentin when finishing second at Turf Paradise on Feb. 26.



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Resolved ADMC Violations

**Resolution Date:** 04/24/2024

**Licensee:** Valorie Lund, trainer

**Penalty:** 7-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on April 25, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Admission.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Gabapentin-Controlled Medication (Class B)--in a sample taken from Amaretto Di Amore, who finished second at Turf Paradise on 2/26/24. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 04/23/2024

**Licensee:** Carlo Vaccarezza, trainer

**Penalty:** A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points. Admission.

**Explainer:** A possible violation of Rule 3314--Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method--on the horse, Little Blaze. This was also a possible violation of Rule 4222--Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.

**Resolution Date:** 04/23/2024

**Licensee:** Jose Garoffalo, trainer

**Penalty:** A fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Admission.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Phenylbutazone-Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Sarawat on 03/09/24. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 04/22/2024

**Licensee:** Danny Gargan, trainer

**Penalty:** A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points. Admission.

**Explainer:** A possible violation of Rule 3314--Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method--on the horse, Cool Operator. This was also a possible violation of Rule 4222--Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.

**Resolution Date:** 04/22/2023

**Licensee:** Richard Baltas, trainer

**Penalty:** A fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Admission.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Methocarbamol-Controlled Medication (Class C)-in a sample taken from Highly Desirable on 03/23/24. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 04/22/2024

**Licensee:** Ruben Alvarado, trainer

**Penalty:** A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points. Final decision by HIWU.

**Explainer:** A possible violation of Rule 3314--Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method-on the horse, One Smokin Moon. This was also a possible violation of Rule 4222--Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.



At the break | Coady Photography

**Resolution Date:** 04/22/2024

**Licensee:** Candelario Villamar, trainer

**Penalty:** 15-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on April 23, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Final decision by HIWU.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Capsaicin-Controlled Medication (Class B)-in a sample taken from Olivia's Choice, who finished third at Turf Paradise on 02/26/24. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List). **Cont.**

**Resolution Date:** 04/22/2024

**Licensee:** Ron Rozell, trainer

**Penalty:** None. Withdrawal of Equine Anti-Doping Charge/Moved to and Resolved under Atypical Finding Policy.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Pemoline--a banned substance--in a sample taken from Bavaria. This was a possible violation of Rule 3212--Presence of a Banned Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 04/18/2024

**Licensee:** Bill McLean, trainer

**Penalty:** Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Final decision by HIWU.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Dimethyl Sulfoxide (DMSO)-Controlled Medication (Class C)-in a sample taken from Street Tiger, who finished fourth at Golden Gate on 3/2/24. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312-Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 04/18/2023

**Licensee:** Bret Calhoun, trainer

**Penalty:** Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); treated as 1 violation with Dixon Tuff under 9/8/23 HISA Guidance. Final decision by internal adjudication panel.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Diclofenac-Controlled Medication (Class C)-in a sample taken from Ain't Broke, who won at Churchill Downs on 09/21/23. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312-Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Resolution Date:** 4/18/2024

**Licensee:** Bret Calhoun, trainer

**Penalty:** Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Final decision by internal adjudication panel.

**Explainer:** For the presence of Diclofenac-Controlled Medication (Class C)-in a sample taken from Tatanka, who finished eleventh at Churchill Downs A on 9/14/23. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312-Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List). **Cont.**

# Honoring Augusta: A Memorial at the Arboretum



Augusta Hosmer was many things - a brilliant writer, master gardener, massive animal-lover, and an incredible friend. She impacted so many lives - more than I think any of us will ever realize - and we would like to provide a memorial as amazing as she was. Augusta loved UK's Arboretum, the State Botanical Garden of Kentucky. While she studied to become a Master Gardener, she was there multiple times a week during the course, enjoying the beautiful outdoors and loving her plants. I believe it would be fitting to have something there for her in her honor.

UK has multiple tiers for donations at the Arboretum. We are looking at the Dedicated Tree option, which is a \$6000 minimum gift. With the staff, we would select an existing tree from their living connections to dedicate and install a personalized plaque. If our goal is exceeded, any extra funds will be donated to the Live Like Roo Foundation in honor of Augusta.

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Delaney Witbrod and Jordan Thomson are organizing this fundraiser.



Pending ADMC Violations**Date:** 04/23/2023**Licensee:** Steve Knapp, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Methocarbamol-Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Caribbean King, who won at Santa Anita on 2/17/23. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).**Date:** 04/23/2023**Licensee:** Gary Stute, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Methocarbamol-Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Sand to Sea, who finished second at Santa Anita on 2/16/23. This was a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).**Date:** 04/22/2024**Licensee:** Isidro Tamayo, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Dexamethasone-Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Dust Maker, who won at Turf Paradise on 4/2/24. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).**Date:** 04/18/2024**Licensee:** Amador Sanchez, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Capsaicin-Controlled Medication (Class B)--in a sample taken from Dontkissdaminister, who finished second at Gulfstream Park on 3/22/24. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).**Date:** 04/18/2024**Licensee:** Matthew Fales, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Vet's list medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Phenylbutazone-Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Rantanen, who finished third at Turf Paradise on 3/21/24. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication

Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

**Date:** 04/18/2024**Licensee:** Arturo Chavez, trainer**Penalty:** Pending**Alleged violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Capsaicin-Controlled Medication (Class B)--in a sample taken from Jr's Confidence, who won at Sunland Park on 03/15/24. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312--Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).**Date:** 04/18/2024**Licensee:** Casey Lambert, trainer**Penalty:** Provisionally suspended**Alleged Violation:** Medication violation**Explainer:** For the presence of Methamphetamine--a banned substance--in a sample taken from Storey's Fury, who won at Sunland Park on 2/9/24. This is a possible violation of Rule 3212-Presence of a Banned Substance and/or its Metabolites or Marker.Violations of Crop Rule

One important note: HISA's whip use limit is restricted to six strikes during a race.

Fanduel Sportsbook and Horse Racing

Juan Molina - violation date April 20; \$250 fine

Horseshoe Indianapolis

Jaime Torres - violation date April 23; \$250 fine and one-day suspension

Oaklawn Park

Rafael Bejarano - violation date April 20; \$250 fine and one-day suspension

Santa Anita

Kyle Frey - violation date April 19; \$250 fine and one-day suspension, 2 strikes over limit

Tyler Baze - violation date April 20; \$250 fine and one-day suspension, 2 strikes over limit

Victor Espinoza - violation date April 21; \$250 fine and one-day suspension, 1 strike over limit

Tampa Bay

Jose Torrealba - violation date April 20; \$250 fine and one-day suspension

**Cont.**

Angel Castillo - violation date April 21; \$250 fine and one-day suspension

Jacinto Herrera - violation date April 21; \$250 fine and one-day suspension

#### Other Key Rulings

The *TDN* also publishes a roundup of key official rulings from the primary tracks within the four major racing jurisdictions of California, New York, Florida and Kentucky. [Here's a primer](#) on how each of these jurisdictions adjudicates different offenses, what they make public (or not) and where.

#### California

**Track:** Santa Anita

**Date:** 04/19/2024

**Licensee:** Antonio Fresu, jockey

**Penalty:** Three-day suspension

**Violation:** Careless riding

**Explainer:** Having received notice from the California Horse Racing Board that the appeal of LATC Ruling #34 issued at Santa Anita Park on Oct. 21, 2023, has been overruled, the original ruling is reinstated. Jockey Antonio Fresu is suspended for three racing days (Apr. 27-28, and May 3, 2024).

#### New York

**Track:** Aqueduct

**Date:** 04/21/2024

**Licensee:** Gokhan Kocakaya

**Penalty:** Three-day suspension

**Violation:** Careless riding

**Explainer:** Jockey Mr. Gokhan Kocakaya for having waived his right to an appeal is hereby suspended three NYRA racing days May 5, 2024, May 9, 2024, May 10, 2024 inclusive. This for careless riding during the running of the 1st race at Aqueduct Racetrack on Apr. 19, 2024.

#### Kentucky

**Track:** Keeneland

**Date:** 04/16/2024

**Licensee:** Walter Rodriguez, jockey

**Penalty:** Three-day suspension

**Violation:** Careless riding

**Explainer:** After a hearing before the Board of Stewards, Walter A. Rodriguez, who rode fracture in the fourth race at Keeneland on Apr. 13, 2024, is hereby suspended three racing days, Apr. 21, Apr. 24 and Apr. 25, 2024 for careless riding in the stretch that resulted in the disqualification of his mount.

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## OBS ALTERS JUNE SALE START TO JUNE 12

The start of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June 2024 Two-Year-Olds in Training & Horses of Racing Age Sale will now start at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 12 and run through Friday, June 14, the auction company said in a release Wednesday afternoon. The Under Tack Show will shift to Tuesday, June 4 and continue through Sunday, June 9 with each session beginning at 7:30 a.m. The June Sale was shifted forward one day to allow travel and inspection time for those attending Belmont Stakes weekend held at Saratoga from June 6-9.

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## NYTB TO HONOR VIVIEN MALLOY WITH LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc. (NYTB) will honor breeder and owner Vivien Malloy with a Lifetime Achievement Award for excellence, the organization said in a release Wednesday.

Malloy, who owned Edition Farm for more than four decades, will be recognized at the NYTB's Awards Dinner sponsored by the New York Thoroughbred Breeding & Development Fund from 6-9 p.m. Monday, May 13 at Sacred Saratoga on the property of GMP Farm in Schuylerville.

"What a thrill it was to hear I'll receive this award," Malloy said, who first joined the NYTB board in the 1980s on the advice of the late prominent New York breeder Gerald Nielsen. "He called and she I should be on the board. I told him I needed to talk to my husband first, and Harry said 'oh, don't get into anything political.'" **Cont.**



Vivien Malloy | NYTB



Malloy bred **A Shin Forward** (Forest Wildcat) who went on to become a Grade 1 winner in Japan and earned over \$3 million, which ranks him as the third highest earning New York-bred in history

“Vivien has been an integral and influential person in the development of New York breeding and racing,” said NYTB President Dr. Scott Ahlschwede. “She has been involved in every facet of our industry from breeding to ownership and standing stallions. On behalf of our board of directors and membership, we are proud to honor and recognize her lifetime contributions.”

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### SIXTH ANNUAL PDJF TELETHON SHATTERS RECORD WITH OVER \$430K RAISED

Last Sunday, Apr. 21, the sixth annual PDJF Telethon shattered the previous record when the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund raised over \$430,000, FanDuel TV said in Wednesday release.

Presented by Lane’s End Farm, the telethon was broadcast for the third consecutive year on FanDuel TV and FOX Sports’s America’s Day at the Races. The event, which brings Hall of Fame jockeys, FanDuel TV’s on-air talent and other prominent racing personalities together to man the phone lines, has grown each year since the inception in 2018.





“The PDJF is very appreciative for all the support from the over 1000 donations received during the broadcast of the Telethon,” said Nancy LaSala, PDJF President. “Without this support and the hard work of all involved this would not be possible. A special thanks to FanDuel and Lane’s End for your continued support of the PDJF mission. “

There were donations from supporters across the country including major gifts from Heider Family Stables, John Stewart, Kentucky Downs, Patricia’s Hope, Bobby Flay, Debbie Finley and Janie Buss. In addition, FanDuel and Lane’s End each donated \$100,000.

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**Friday, Keeneland #8, post time: 4:07 p.m. EDT**

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Chop Chop	City of Light	Selective, LLC	Cox	Concepcion	118
2	Queens Command (Ire)	War Command	Town and Country Racing, LLC	Lynch	Saez	118
3	Tower Bridge	Street Sense	John D. Gunther	DeVaux	Corrales	118
4	Atomic Blonde (Ger)	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	West Point Thoroughbreds, Clement, Christophe and Winters Equine LLC	Clement	Rosario	118
5	Lovely Princess	Twirling Candy	Gentry Farms	McPeck	Hernandez, Jr.	118
6	War Like Goddess	English Channel	George Krikorian	Mott	Alvarado	123
7	Commandandcontrol	Quality Road	Two Hearts Farm, LLC	Corrigan	Lezcano	118
8	Vergara	Noble Mission (GB)	Gary Broad	Motion	Prat	120
9	Tic Tic Tic Boom	Hit It a Bomb	Guill, Randolph J., Steigler, Gregory J. & Bedard, Andrew	Girten	Conner	118

**Breeders:** 1-Cobra Farm & MRJ Thoroughbreds, 2-Kevin J. Molloy, 3-John D. Gunther, 4-Gestut Karlshof, 5-Gentry Farms, 6-Calumet Farm, 7-Tenlane Farm, 8-Neil Jones, 9-Anita Nesser & BHMFR, LLC



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## THURSDAY'S INSIGHTS: INTO MISCHIEF-- EMBELLISH THE LACE FILLY DEBUTS AT KEENELAND



**Embellish the Lace** | *Coglianesse*

**9th-KEE, \$100k, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, post time: 5:16 p.m. ET**

CHC Inc. homebred **INTO AMORE (Into Mischief)**, a daughter of 2015 GI Alabama S. heroine Embellish the Lace (Super Saver), debuts for Todd Pletcher. Embellish the Lace brought \$2.4 million from China Horse Club International at the 2016 FTKNOV sale. Drawn widest of all in post 11, Into Amore is the 7-2 morning-line favorite. Into Amore RNA'd for \$295,000 as a FTKOCT yearling. The field also includes fellow first-time starter **Day Dawning** (Classic Empire), a \$450,000 OBS March breeder. The Augustin Stable colorbearer is trained by Jonathan Thomas.

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**7th-Keeneland, \$120,000, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 4-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.71, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.**

**ACCEDE (f, 4, Into Mischief--Jibboom {MGSW & GISP, \$487,600}, by Mizzen Mast)**, third in last spring's GII Eight Belles S. at Churchill Downs, was last seen capturing an allowance over this course Oct. 14. The 8-5 chance raced on the inside under a

tight hold in third, set her sights on the top two at the top of the stretch and kicked on nicely to score by 1 3/4 lengths over favored Amaretti (Bernardini). The winner is a half to Flying Jib (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**), GSW-Ire, \$135,114; and a **Tacitus** colt of 2023. Lifetime Record: GSP, 7-3-0-1, \$263,650. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

## MAIDEN WINNERS

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**4th-Keeneland, \$93,400, Msw, 4-24, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36.14, fm, nose.**

**RELAMPAGO VERDE (g, 4, Bolt d'Oro--Colina Verde {Brz} {Ch. 3yo Filly-Brz, MG1SW-Brz, \$119,922}, by Know Heights {Ire})**, off at 26-1 in this first attempt on grass, set the tempo and just held off favored Unit Economics (GB) (Showcasing {GB}) to graduate in front-running fashion by a nose. Relampago Verde was a well-beaten third going two turns at Oaklawn last time Mar. 21. The winner is a half to Greenzapper (**Ghostzapper**), G1SW-Brz; and Limonite (Lemon Drop Kid), MGSP, \$456,856. Colina Verde also has a 2-year-old filly by **War of Will** in the pipeline and was bred to **Mystic Guide** for 2024. Sales history: \$220,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$74,295. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Walking L Thoroughbreds, LLC; B-Highlight Thoroughbreds & Haugh Stables LLC (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek.

**Sold as a Yearling by SCOTT MALLORY, agent**

**2nd-Keeneland, \$77,530, Msw, 4-24, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53.29, ft, nose.** **TAPIT FIRST (f, 2, Tapit--Louisville First {SW, \$211,442}, by Girolamo)**, given a 9-1 chance in this debut run, broke on top, but began to drop back heading into the far turn. Fifth as the Wesley Ward-trained firster and 1-5 favorite Caribbean Wind (Speightstown) kicked for home as the one to catch, **Tapit First** rallied along the inside in the stretch to nail that one on the line by a nose. Louisville First, purchased for \$300,000 by Yushun Company at the 2023 KEENOV sale, was bred to **Gun Runner** for 2024. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$47,120. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

**7th-Parx Racing, \$52,600, Msw**, 4-24, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:27.42, ft, 8 lengths.

**BELLA QUEEN (f, 3, Street Boss--Saucy Jade, by Rock Hard Ten)**, overlooked at 15-1 in this debut run, raced in a tracking second, took over on the far turn and ran up the score in the stretch to graduate by eight lengths. Sales history: \$13,000 2yo '23 EASMA. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-M B Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Alliance Bloodstock Agency (KY); T-Howard R. Brown, Jr.



**FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, APRIL 25**  
*2024 Stud Fees Listed*

**Bodexpress (Bodemeister)**, Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$3,500  
53 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turf Paradise, 6:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Just Trust Me, 8-1  
\$3,500 NCA AU yrl  
5-Turf Paradise, 6:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Street Gun, 6-1  
\$20,000 ARZ NOV yrl

**Honor A. P.** (Honor Code), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000  
80 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners  
5-Turf Paradise, 6:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Dancing Porky, 9-5  
\$6,000 FTC AYR yrl

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, APRIL 25**  
*2024 Stud Fees Listed*

**Audible (Into Mischief)**, WinStar Farm, \$15,000  
261 foals of racing age/38 winners/4 black-type winners  
5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Company You Keep, 8-1  
\$200,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$170,000 OBS MAR 2yo  
8-Keeneland, 4:44 p.m. EDT, Alw 1 3/16mT, Voice From Above, 30-1  
\$24,000 FTK OCT yrl

**Big Time Player (Candy Ride {Arg})**  
17 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Fancy Streak, 9-2

**Catholic Boy (More Than Ready)**, Claiborne Farm, \$10,000  
161 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner  
8-Aqueduct, 4:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Lu's Redemption, 15-1  
\$57,000 RNA FTN MIX wnl; \$50,000 OBS APR 2yo  
8-Keeneland, 4:44 p.m. EDT, Alw 1 3/16mT, Sacred Image, 12-1

**Demarchelier (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, Claiborne Farm, \$7,500  
99 foals of racing age/23 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Aqueduct, 4:21 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Photo Finish, 10-1  
8-Keeneland, 4:44 p.m. EDT, Alw 1 3/16mT, Royal Wintour, 4-1  
\$20,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$95,000 OBS OPN 2yo

**Dynamic Racer (Run Away and Hide)**, R.C. Cline Thoroughbred Farm  
17 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-Belterra, 1:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, She Is Dynamic, 4-1

**Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro)**, Darley, \$5,000  
157 foals of racing age/32 winners/1 black-type winner  
7-Aqueduct, 4:21 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, City Blocks, 6-1  
1-Belterra, 12:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, **Enticed** by Chance, 9-2  
\$17,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

**Force the Pass (Speightstown)**, Sau  
37 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Aqueduct, 4:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Tossed, 10-1

**Heart to Heart (English Channel)**, Crestwood Farm  
60 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners  
8-Thistledown, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Do You Realize, 6-1

**Lost Treasure (Ire) (War Front)**, Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa  
19 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners  
3-Charles Town, 7:57 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Defiant Giant, 20-1  
8-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Treasure Key, 12-1

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**Maximus Mischief** (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000  
 231 foals of racing age/44 winners/3 black-type winners  
 8-Aqueduct, 4:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Rookie League, 6-1  
 \$38,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$150,000 SAR AUG yrl

**Mitole** (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000  
 294 foals of racing age/52 winners/3 black-type winners  
 2-Keeneland, 1:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Baytown Bump, 12-1  
 \$5,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Solomini** (Curlin), McMahan of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$7,500  
 142 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners  
 8-Aqueduct, 4:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Brooklyn Dantz, 50-1  
 \$6,000 RNA FTN MIX wnl; \$18,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$37,000 RNA  
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**Spiritus Invictus** (War Front)  
 9 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners  
 3-Charles Town, 7:57 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Char Bar's Legacy,  
 20-1

**Vino Rosso** (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000  
 309 foals of racing age/44 winners/2 black-type winners  
 2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Vinos Angel,  
 6-1  
 \$45,000 FTK JUL yrl



**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**6th-Keeneland, \$109,550**, 4-24, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT,  
 2:29.78, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

**HOLY FOLEY (f, 4, Point of Entry--Belissimo, by Awesome  
 Again)** Lifetime Record: 16-2-2-2, \$185,259. O-Perrine Time  
 Thoroughbreds; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.  
 \*\$35,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV.

**Hidden Brook Sales Graduate**

**6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$40,000**, (S), 4-24, (NW3LX),  
 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.51, ft, 3 lengths.

**GOODLOOKINJUSTICE (c, 3, Street Boss--With Wonder, by  
 Flatter)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 6-3-3-0, \$114,690. O-Justice  
 Farm; B-Justice Farm, Greg Justice (IN); T-Aaron M. West.  
 \*\$20,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP.

**6th-Thistledown, \$38,400**, (S), 4-24, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f,  
 1:06.62, ft, head.

**MAY MAYHEM (g, 3, Mobil--Mendassity, by Touch Gold)**  
 Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$78,625. O-Italian Stallions;  
 B-Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich.  
 \*\$15,000 Ylg '22 OTBOMX.

**7th-Thistledown, \$38,400**, (S), 4-24, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m,  
 5 1/2f, 1:05.26, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

**CITY SCENE (f, 3, Dominus--Nava, by Even the Score)** Lifetime  
 Record: SW, 6-3-3-0, \$135,160. O/B-Elkhorn Oaks Inc. (OH);  
 T-James R. Jackson. \*Full to Candlelight Hours, MSW, \$517,710;  
 1/2 to Timeless Bounty (Elusive Hour), SW, \$231,214.

**8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000**, (S), 4-23, (NW2LX),  
 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.28, ft, 7 lengths.

**NONEOFYOURBUSINESS (f, 3, Cloud Computing--Earned, by  
 Flatter)** Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-2-0, \$71,309. O-Silva Racing  
 LLC; B-Pine Tree Mares II (IN); T-Miguel Angel Silva. \*\$5,500 Ylg  
 '22 KEEJAN.

**5th-Thistledown, \$37,700**, 4-24, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f,  
 1:11.08, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

**CANDLELIGHT HOURS (m, 5, Dominus--Nava, by Even the  
 Score)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 24-10-7-6, \$517,710. O/B-Elkhorn  
 Oaks Inc. (OH); T-James R. Jackson. \*1/2 to Timeless Bounty  
 (Elusive Hour), SW, \$231,214; Full to City Scene, SW, \$112,120.

**5th-Turf Paradise, \$34,000**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000-\$50,000),  
 4-23, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:07.70, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

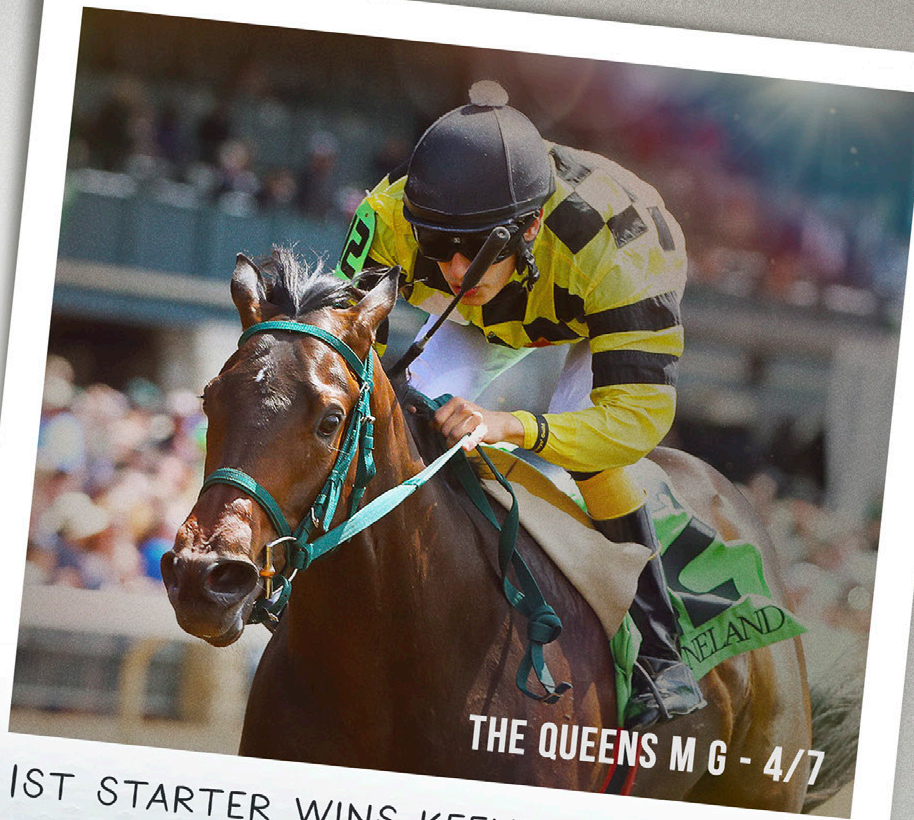
**DIAMOND RIM (h, 5, Not This Time--Nurse Donna, by  
 Vindication)** Lifetime Record: SP, 17-6-3-1, \$169,741.  
 O-Earnhardt, Patti & Earnhardt III, Hal J.; B-Brandywine Farm  
 (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Dan L. McFarlane. \*\$135,000 Ylg  
 '20 KEESEP.

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**Undici**, f, 3, **Enticed**--Roman Bluff, by Roman Ruler. Parx Racing, 4-24, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:08.26. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$32,400. B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA). \*\$9,000 RNA Ylg '22 EASOCT. \*\*1/2 to Flying Frank (Congrats), SP, \$179,410.

**Flat Hanby**, g, 3, **Flat Out**--Jealous Ellis (SP, \$101,896), by Ocean Terrace. Will Rogers Downs, 4-23, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.90. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$15,166. B-JT Stables, LLC (OK).

**Mo Rhodes**, c, 3, **Quality Road**--Mo d'Amour (SW & MGSP, \$311,360), by **Uncle Mo**. Keeneland, 4-24, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45.76. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$38,011. B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY). \*\$300,000 Ylg '22 KEESSEP. \*\*1/2 to Southlawn (Pioneerof the Nile), GSW, \$354,869.

**Commander Storm**, g, 3, **Storm's Eye**--Cupid's Best, by Posse. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4-24, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.92. Lifetime Record: 9-1-0-2, \$33,903. B-John F. Haran & Mike Ryan (IN).

**We Will Conquer**, g, 4, **Accelerate**--Aspiring (GSP, \$132,227), by Seeking the Gold. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4-24, 5 1/2f, 1:06.39. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-3, \$39,593. B-Hill N Dale Equine Holdings, Inc (KY). \*\$110,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '21 KEESSEP. \*\*1/2 to Sweet Success (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), GSP, \$125,260.



**Dan's Candi Girl**, f, 4, **Bahamian Squall**--Glittering Georgia, by Texas Glitter. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4-24, 5 1/2f, 1:06.28. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-1, \$54,152. B-Linda S Pastor (FL).

**She's a Soldier**, f, 4, **Greek Sun**--Gumboots (MSW, \$255,197), by Storm Boot. Thistledown, 4-24, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.68. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-0, \$28,861. B-Richard Sperrazza (OH).

**Decanted**, g, 4, **Kitten's Joy**--Kahrumana, by Shamardal. Keeneland, 4-24, 1mT, 1:35.82. Lifetime Record: 10-1-1-1, \$110,607. B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY).

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**Bahamian Squall**, Dan's Candi Girl, f, 4, o/o Glittering Georgia, by Texas Glitter. MSW, 4-24, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Bolt d'Oro**, Relampago Verde, g, 4, o/o Colina Verde (Brz), by



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Know Heights (Ire). MSW, 4-24, Keeneland

**Cloud Computing**, Noneofyourbusiness, f, 3, o/o Earned, by Flatter. ALW, 4-23, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Dominus**, Candlelight Hours, m, 5, o/o Nava, by Even the Score. ALW, 4-24, Thistledown

**Dominus**, City Scene, f, 3, o/o Nava, by Even the Score. ALW, 4-24, Thistledown

**Enticed**, Undici, f, 3, o/o Roman Bluff, by Roman Ruler. MSW, 4-24, Parx Racing

**Flat Out**, Flat Hanby, g, 3, o/o Jealous Ellis, by Ocean Terrace. MSW, 4-23, Will Rogers

**Greek Sun**, She's a Soldier, f, 4, o/o Gumboots, by Storm Boot. MSW, 4-24, Thistledown

**Into Mischief**, Accede, f, 4, o/o Jibboom, by Mizzen Mast. AOC, 4-24, Keeneland

**Kitten's Joy**, Decanted, g, 4, o/o Kahrumana, by Shamardal. MSW, 4-24, Keeneland

**Mobil**, May Mayhem, g, 3, o/o Mendassity, by Touch Gold. ALW, 4-24, Thistledown

**Not This Time**, Diamond Rim, h, 5, o/o Nurse Donna, by Vindication. AOC, 4-23, Turf Paradise

**Point of Entry**, Holy Foley, f, 4, o/o Belissimo, by Awesome Again. ALW, 4-24, Keeneland

**Quality Road**, Mo Rhodes, c, 3, o/o Mo d'Amour, by **Uncle Mo**. MCL, 4-24, Keeneland

**Storm's Eye**, Commander Storm, g, 3, o/o Cupid's Best, by Posse. MSW, 4-24, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Street Boss**, Bella Queen, f, 3, o/o Saucy Jade, by Rock Hard Ten. MSW, 4-24, Parx Racing

**Street Boss**, Goodlookingjustice, c, 3, o/o With Wonder, by Flatter. ALW, 4-24, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Tapit**, **Tapit** First, f, 2, o/o Louisville First, by Girolamo. MSW, 4-24, Keeneland



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## MCGIVERN IN DREAMLAND AS VANDEEK'S OWNERS SPEND 420K ON HAVANA GREY FILLY



Anthony Stroud | Sarah Farnsworth

By Brian Sheerin

DONCASTER, UK--Royal Ascot dreams abound for the connections of VandeeK (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}), who not only have that unbeaten star to look forward to, but a host of high-class two-year-old prospects as well after Anthony Stroud snapped up speedy fillies by Havana Grey (GB) and **Sioux Nation** (lot 119) to the tune of £720,000 on behalf of the ownership group at the Goffs Breeze-Up Sale. [Cont. p3](#)

## GUINEAS UNLIKELY FOR BUCANERO FUERTE WITH PAVILION NEW GOAL

Group 1 winner **Bucanero Fuerte (GB)** (**Wootton Bassett (GB)**) is unlikely to contest the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas and instead be pointed for the May 1 G3 Ascot Commonwealth Cup Trial S., according to trainer Adrian Murray.

Murray said of the Amo Racing colourbearer, "Bucanero goes to Ascot, he's in the six-furlong race. It's highly unlikely he will go for the Guineas.

"We're going to campaign him as a sprinter, his brother [Wooded (Ire)] won a Group 1 over five furlongs and he shows us an awful lot of speed. The Guineas could just kill him in the last couple of furlongs."

Third in the G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot last year, the bay rebounded to take the G2 Railway S. and G1 Phoenix S. in succession at the Curragh. His juvenile finale was a third to Henry Longfellow (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the G1 National S. in September.

Murray had an update on **Elegant Man** (Arrogate), who also races in the bright purple and white silks of Kia Joorabchian's operation. Runner-up in the Listed Wildwood Flower S. in December, he won a Dundalk affair in his 4-year-old bow in January, and made it two on the bounce in a Newcastle handicap in March. Murray is considering either the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup on May 26 or the G1 Coronation Cup five days later. [Cont. p8](#)

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**Justify (Scat Daddy)** won't be returning to stand at Coolmore Australia this year and will remain at Coolmore's Ashford Stud in Kentucky where he will cover a select book of mares to Southern Hemisphere time. | *Coolmore*

**FOLGARIA BOUND FOR FRENCH 1000 GUINEAS 9**

*The winner of the G3 Fred Darling S., Folgaria (Ire) (Due Diligence), is being pointed at the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches.*

**PAIR ADDED TO DERBY 9**

*Dallas Star (Fr) (Cloth Of Stars {Ire}) and Hidden Law (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) have been supplemented to the G1 Derby entries.*

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Lot 168, Wednesday's topper | Sarah Farnsworth

### Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale Cont. from p1

But Doncaster was dominated by the Derryconnor Stud-drafted diamond by Havana Grey, who led the way at £420,000 to provide top consignor Katie McGivern with her greatest result in the ring. She had previously made £50,000 as a yearling out of the Goffs UK Doncaster Premier Sale.

"We expected her to breeze well and then you just have to leave it up to the market to value her," an ultra-cool McGivern said shortly after the sale.

"She had a squeaky clean vetting and it was all down to just who turned up for her. It's not a huge surprise that she made a bit of money. We loved her at home and all of her homework was exceptional. I'm delighted with the result.

"She deserved it and it's the most I have ever gotten for a horse so it's a big achievement for me. Fair dues to Jeremy [Mactaggart] because he really pushed for her. She was meant to go to Tattersalls but he made it very obvious how much he wanted her and rang me a good few times asking us to send her. Really happy."

Stroud arrived at Doncaster off the back of a dominant showing at the Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Sale where he ended the two-day session as the leading buyer having come home with the six highest-priced two-year-olds under the banners of Godolphin and Stroud Coleman.

The leading agent wasn't to be beaten on lot 168 at Doncaster, either, and held off a strong rally from fellow agent Jason Kelly to secure the sale's top lot.

"Havana Grey is a very good stallion and this filly did a very good breeze," Stroud said. "We liked the way she went. She's a very nice and very well-balanced filly. We thought she was one of the nicest fillies in the sale and was bought for KHK Racing."

He added, "Havana Grey seems to be putting a lot of toughness and speed into his stock. He seems to be doing

exceptionally well with all the mares that have been sent to him. He's really upping the game. He has a very bright future. Remarkable."

Stroud also signed for Gary Bloodstock's Dandy Man (Ire) filly (lot 30) on behalf of an unnamed client for £100,000 as well as a £270,000 **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** filly from Kevin Coleman's Slievebrook House Stud.

"She's a nice filly who breezed very well and there could be a good update in the pedigree," Stroud said of the half-sister to G1 Futurity Trophy fourth and recent winner Deira Mile (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**).

"She'll go to Charlie Appleby. I think like all breeze-ups it's very selective. Either everyone is on the same horses or they're not. If you looked at my list and three other agent's, they wouldn't be dissimilar, that's how it feels to me.

"We bought Carla's Way (Ire) (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**) for Shaikh Duaij and True Cyan (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), who finished fourth in the Nell Gwyn, for KHK Racing last year, and a couple of years earlier we bought A'Ali (Ire) here, so it's a sale that's been good to us."

Coleman might be best known as an emerging force in the training ranks but, as he outlined to *TDN Europe* on the eve of the sale, trading horses underpins his business. With that in mind, the selling of lot 145 will help fuel the County Tipperary operation for some time, especially as she cost just €36,000 as a Goffs Orby Book 2 yearling.

Speaking alongside his brother Aidan, whose decorated career in the saddle was cruelly cut short by injury recently, Coleman said, "We always thought a lot of her. She'd a good update on the page and is by the right sire. She did a very good breeze and she showed very well. All the right people were on her and I just hope to God that she turns up to Royal Ascot and is competitive." [Cont. p4](#)



Katie McGivern | Sarah Farnsworth

## Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale Cont.

He added, "We were confident that she was going to do one of the top breezes because, the horses she has been working with at home, she has been all over them. She does her work in a good way--she does it in a rhythm. Obviously I train but you need to sell to make the whole thing work."

### Top End of the Market Remains Strong at Goffs

While turnover climbed by 3% to £10,359,700, it must be noted that there were 23 more lots offered at Goffs compared to last year. In many ways, the sale followed a similar trajectory to last week's Craven, with the top remaining strong but a certain level of shakiness to the middle and lower tiers. That was reflected in a 81% clearance rate compared to 86% in 2023. The average fell 1% to £62,035 while the median dropped 10% to £36,000.

Goffs UK Managing Director Tim Kent commented, "It was always going to be difficult to build on the massive advances made by this sale in 2023 and part way through the day, it was looking unlikely that we would achieve this feat. But the sale appeared to gather momentum as the day progressed and finished with a flourish to deliver a record turnover for the

Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale. These results were aided by a top price of £420,000, 12 horses selling for £200,000 or more and 28 horses achieving a price of £100,000 or above."

"We are the first to acknowledge that none of this could have been done without the loyal support of an incredible group of vendors. The inspection team were bullish when visiting the farms and we were heartened to read that the average purchase price of the yearlings had increased by 6% compared to 2023, but none of this matters when you get to the sale, and we were relieved to hear positive feedback from agents and purchasers who have been inspecting horses prior to today. We would therefore like to extend a heartfelt 'thank you' to everyone who trusted Goffs to sell their best early season breezers and we are delighted that we were able to deliver in style at Doncaster."

He added, "Whilst we have much to celebrate today, it would be remiss of us not to acknowledge the fact that the market has been selective. There was a stark difference between the 'haves' and the 'have nots' and this has been very evident today. However, whilst some horses failed to find buyers in the ring some 50 private sales helped to drive an 81% clearance rate, and some have commented that's a true reflection of any breeze-up market--if they breeze well, they sell well." [Cont. p5](#)



Lot 173 was the highest priced colt in the sale at £380,000, and one of three Mehmas (Ire) colts in the top four lots. | Sarah Farnsworth/Goffs UK

### Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale Cont.

"Lastly, we must thank our buyers at all levels of the market," he continued. "Whilst we can celebrate the fireworks at the top of the market, the strength of any market lies in what's below the top tier and we were delighted to have a strong domestic buying bench competing with a significant number of new visitors to the sales at Doncaster. Indeed, the Goffs team has worked tirelessly to deliver international buyers to this sale and this has been rewarded with horses selling throughout the day to race in America, Bahrain, Dubai, France, Italy, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Scandinavia and elsewhere.

"Once again, we would like to thank everyone who has been part of today's success and we look forward to seeing these horses on the racecourse where we are confident that they will continue our unrivalled association with success at Royal Ascot."

### 'We Come Here With Confidence' - Blandford Spends Over £2 Million At Doncaster

Richard Brown admitted to being left disappointed to have drawn a blank at last week's Tattersalls Craven Sale but the Blandford Bloodstock agent certainly made up for that at Doncaster by splashing out on a host of smart two-year-old prospects for over £2 million.

Towards the top of that list were Mehmas colts [lot 173 and 75] consigned by Willie Browne's Mocklershill and Tally-Ho Stud respectively for £380,000 and £350,000. The former went from a 52,000gns Tattersalls December foal to a 60,000gns Book 2 yearling at Tattersalls October. Lot 75 was knocked down for €50,000 at the Goffs Orby Sale Book 1 last year.

Speaking after snapping up lot 173, the first produce out of an unraced Hallowed Crown mare, Brown said, "Mehmas is one of the best sires of two-year-olds around and was prepared by one of the doyens of breeze-up consignors. I saw Willie on Sunday



Richard Brown | Sarah Farnsworth

and he was very high on the horse. He turned up here and did a seriously good breeze. He's a low-actioned horse and looks forward. He'll get a short break and then we'll try and point him towards Royal Ascot."

Asked what he thought of the market, Brown replied, "The top is very strong, it's patchy below that and then, after that, you drop into very choppy waters. It's polarised."

Brown, who has some of the game's biggest clients on his books including Wathnan Racing and Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum, made a number of other notable purchases throughout the day. They featured lot 98, a colt by first-season sire Hello Youmzain (Fr) for £220,000 from Kilminfoyle House Stud, a Cotai Glory (GB) colt from Tally-Ho Stud for £190,000 and a £170,000 Ardad (Ire) colt from Con Marnane's Bansha House Stud earlier in the session.

But the agent still had some big bullets to fire later in the day and secured lot 220, a **Starspangledbanner** colt from Norman Williamson's renowned Oak Tree Farm outfit for £300,000 followed by another Mehmas [223] from Tally-Ho Stud for £360,000. This pair were a €60,000 Goffs Orby Book 2 yearling and a €52,000 Goffs November foal, respectively.

Reflecting on the sale as a whole, Brown said, "We're very lucky, we have bought good horses from all of the breeze-up sales, from the Craven, to here and Arqana. But we come up here with confidence. We have a big team and spend a huge amount of time analysing the horses. It has been a bit harder to judge the horses given there are so many more horses in the sale but I like it. It's better to say a horse is better than say 220 horses than it is 150. The more horses to grade your horse against, the better. From a buying perspective, I prefer it, but for the vendors, I don't know." **Cont. p6**



Jake Warren | Sarah Farnsworth

## Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale Cont.

Asked if he could be more confident buying out of the breeze-up sales compared to the yearling sale market, Brown added, "I think so. If you worked Desert Crown (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) over two furlongs, he would have shown pace. There is no doubt that a good horse will show pace over two furlongs. Even Kauto Star (Fr) would have shown pace over two furlongs. Good horses have pace. So, yes, you definitely can [have more confidence buying from the breeze-ups]."

### Talking Points

- There were 28 horses who made six figures or more compared to the 32 who cleared that figure 12 months ago.
- Tally-Ho Stud remained top dog in the consigning ranks with a £1,431,000 aggregate for 14 horses sold. Interestingly, the progeny of Tally-Ho-based stallions made up a fifth of the catalogue and Mehmas colts filled the second, third and fourth spots.
- Mehmas enjoyed a massive £1,505,000 aggregate for 10 horses sold but **Starspangledbanner** recorded a hugely impressive average of £187,000 for the five two-year-olds by him that sold on Wednesday.
- Blandford Bloodstock was firing on all cylinders at Doncaster and ended the session as the leading buyer with 10 horses secured for £2,370,000.

## O'Donovan Records Best Day In The Business With 580k Haul

Danny O'Donovan put his name in lights by topping the Tattersalls Ireland Breeze-Up Sale last spring with a €270,000 Zelzal colt but the popular breeze-up handler described selling his fillies by King Of Change (GB) (lot 141) and **Sioux Nation** (lot 119)--who clocked the fastest and the second fastest on the unofficial times in that order--for a combined £580,000 as his best day on a sale ground.

This will be the Cork native's third year operating under his own Donovan Bloodstock and, in selling the speedy **Sioux Nation** to Anthony Stroud on behalf of KHK Racing for £300,000 after selecting her for a mere €45,000 out of the Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale, and then following up with £280,000 for the King Of Change filly to Alex Elliott on behalf of Amo Racing, the young handler was visibly delighted.

"It was a long day and a few sleepless nights before it but we got there in the end," O'Donovan said afterwards. "I had the two

fastest times yesterday and part of me was thinking it might be a bad thing. I'm just delighted to have sold Mr Stroud a horse. Fair play to Alex Elliott as well--he underbid the **Sioux Nation** filly and then went on to buy the King Of Change filly."

Elliott was equally happy to have secured the King Of Change filly out of **Dawn Approach (Ire)** mare Evie Speed and described the competition for the higher end horses as stronger than ever.

Speaking about lot 141, a 20,000gns Tattersalls December weanling turned £39,000 Goffs UK Doncaster Premier yearling, he said, "She did a superb breeze, the fastest on a lot of clocks, so that's the first part of the jigsaw. The second part of the jigsaw is that she has the right physical, she was that for sure. She looks like a filly with a lot of speed but like she'll be able to carry it going seven furlongs or even a mile given the way she's bred and built. She's been bought for Amo Racing but a trainer is yet to be decided because Kia is in America at the minute. She's a beautiful filly so well done to Donovan Bloodstock."

On the market, Elliott added, "It's like knocking your head against a brick wall half of the time. The selection process has gotten so good that everybody knows what the good horses are; there's no hiding in these sales. When you walk in to buy a good horse you've got to pay a black-type premium. When they breeze well, vet cleanly and the physique adds up, you've got to be prepared to pay.

"You've got Richard Brown, Anthony Stroud--if you walk in to bid against them you can't really beat them, so you've got to try and find other spots and that's hard because we're all falling on the same horses. Congrats to the sales company and the vendors for finding these horses and getting them through all the hoops. These horses, when they jump through so many hoops, they have such a good chance of being a good racehorse and that's been proven year after year. All power to the breeze-up community." **Cont. p7**



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**GOFFS UK DONCASTER BREEZE-UP SALE**

SESSION TOTALS	2024	2023
• Catalogued	235	211
• Number Offered	207	184
• Number Sold	167	159
• Not Sold	40	35
• Clearance Rate	81%	86%
• No. €300K+	6	4
• High Price	€420,000	€500,000
• Gross	€10,359,700	€10,011,500
• Average (% change)	€62,035 (-1%)	€62,966
• Median (% change)	€36,000 (-10%)	€40,000

**Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-Up Sale Cont.**

Indeed, Elliott and O'Donovan have history together. Eagle-eyed observers might have spotted O'Donovan on the shank when Elliott branched out into consigning horses under his own Imperium Sales at Tattersalls last autumn. It's from that successful stint working together that the relationship has grown.

"I worked the Tattersalls Autumn Horses-In-Training Sale for Alex last year," O'Donovan explained. "It was his first year consigning under Imperium and his assistant Lucy [Ryan] asked me if I would help out and I said 'why not?'."

"I've gotten to know Alex and have built up a bit of trust with him. I told him about these two fillies at the Craven. I told him I was bringing very nice horses to Doncaster--proper Royal Ascot types. In fairness, they breezed well and he turned up."

He added, "It's brilliant for the whole team. From Adam Potts, who owned a good share of them, to Suzy Woods, who is manning the fort while we are away, and even my girlfriend Jess [Savage], who rode these fillies in their work at home. It's a big team effort. We topped Goresbridge last year with a Zelzal (Fr) colt who I am told is on course to run in the French Derby. I didn't think I'd ever have a day like that again but this has definitely topped it."

Meanwhile, Stroud admitted that Royal Ascot was the ultimate aim for the **Sioux Nation** filly.

He said, "She has been bought for KHK Racing. She is a nice filly and did a good breeze--looks ready to go on with. We're not sure who will train her yet. KHK has done very well with the horses they have bought from the breeze-ups. **Sioux Nation** is a very solid stallion and can get you a very good horse. When you come here, that's [Royal Ascot] the aspiration."

**Thought For The Day**

What is the aversion to publishing times at the breeze-up sales? The unofficial times are widely shared following the breeze--and there are also live times available during the breeze--so surely it makes sense to make that information readily available to prospective buyers.

Goffs recently announced that it would be staging a new breeze-up sale at Naas next year and the rumours are that Goresbridge is set to re-enter the market as well.

Would that represent an opportunity for a new sale to set itself apart from the others by embracing times, data and the other metrics that go into buying a racehorse in this sphere?

The obvious downside is that, by publishing times, it may create a stronger reliance on the clock. But plenty of good racehorses come out of the breeze-up sales that don't clock--Trueshan (Fr) being the most obvious example.

A transparent and data-driven approach to the breeze-up sales might be a fanciful idea. Possibly even a foolish one. But it has to be at least worth having a conversation about.

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**THE GOLDEN TOUCH**

**GOFFS UK DONCASTER BREEZE-UP SALE**

Lot	Sex	Sire Dam	Price (£)
26	c	Ardad (Ire)--Sand And Deliver (GB)	170,000

*Consigned by Bansha House Stables*

*Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock*

There would have been any number of worthy nominations for this prize but Con Marnane towers above all others for turning his 8,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Sale purchase by Ardad into a £170,000 Bansha bullet. That takes some doing.



Lot 26, an Ardad colt | Goffs UK

# SALES TOPPERS

## GOFFS UK DONCASTER BREEZE-UP SALE

Lot	Sex	Sire   Dam	Price (£)
168	f	Havana Grey (GB)--In Trutina (GB) (£50,000 Ylg '23 DONPRE) Bred by The In Trutina Partnership (GB) Consigned by Derryconnor Stud Purchased by Stroud Coleman	420,000
173	c	Mehmas (Ire)--Jane Doe (Ire) (52,000gns Wlg '22 TATDEC; 60,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT) Bred by Sean Maguire (Ire) Consigned by Mocklershill Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock	380,000
223	c	Mehmas (Ire)--Munaasaba (Ire) (€52,000 Wlg '22 GOFNOV) Bred by T. Kenny & P. Byrne (Ire) Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock	360,000
75	c	Mehmas (Ire)--White Rosa (Ire) (€50,000 Ylg '23 GOFORB) Bred by South House Stud (Ire) Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock	350,000
119	f	Sioux Nation--Dancing Around (GB) (€45,000 Ylg '23 TAISEP) Bred by Ms Laura Flood (Ire) Consigned by Donovan Bloodstock Purchased by Stroud Coleman	300,000
220	c	Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Moondrop (Fr) (€60,000 Ylg '23 GOFORB) Bred by Skymarc Farm (Ire) Consigned by Oak Tree Farm Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock	300,000
141		King Of Change (GB)--Evie Speed (Ire) (20,000gns Wlg '22 TATDEC; £39,000 Ylg '23 DONPRE) Bred by D. R. Tucker (GB) Consigned by Donovan Bloodstock Purchased by A.C. Elliott, agent for Amo Racing	280,000

145	f	Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Fastnet Mist (Ire) (€36,000 Ylg '23 GOFORB) Bred by Churchtown House Stud (Ire) Consigned by Slievebrook House Stud Purchased by Godolphin	270,000
98	c	Hello Youmzain (Fr)--Bibury (GB) (72,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT) Bred by Bibury Partnership (Ire) Consigned by Kilminfoyle House Stud Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock	220,000
161	c	Complexity--Harlee Honey (\$50,000 i/u '22 FTFEBW; \$27,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$65,000 Ylg '23 FTJULY) Bred by Dash Goff (KY) Consigned by Powerstown Stud Purchased by Michael O'Callaghan	220,000
12	c	Acclamation (GB)--Point Reyes (Ire) (€45,000 Ylg '23 TAISEP) Bred by Castletown Bloodstock, Ltd. (Ire) Consigned by Mark Grant Racing Purchased by Oliver St Lawrence Bloodstock	200,000
172	f	Bungle Inthejungle (GB)--Jackie Sparrow (Ire) (€95,000 Ylg '23 GOFORB) Bred by Mark Burns (Ire) Consigned by Bansha House Stables Purchased by De Burgh Equine	200,000

## EUROPEAN NEWS

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However, Elegant Man's participation will depend on where fellow Amo runner and Group 1 winner King Of Steel (**Wootton Bassett** {GB}) runs next.

"He will be going for the Tattersalls Gold Cup or the Coronation Cup at Epsom," added Murray of Elegant Man. "It will depend on where they go with King Of Steel as he's in the two of them and we will be avoiding him. Whichever he doesn't go for, we would go for.

"Kia has a good hand and some nice horses. We've got a great summer to hopefully look forward to."





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## CLASSIC BID ON THE CARDS FOR FRED DARLING WINNER FOLGARIA



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

The G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches is likely to be the next port of call for **Folgaria (Ire)** (Due Diligence) following her victory in the G3 Fred Darling S. at Newbury on Saturday, her sixth victory from as many starts following an unbeaten two-year-old campaign in Italy when trained by Stefano Botti.

Now in the care of Stefano's brother, Marco Botti, Folgaria was a welcome winner for the team at Prestige Place which has been mourning the death of the stable's former apprentice, Stefano Cherchi, following a fall in Australia last month.

Botti himself was not at Newbury on Saturday as he attended his compatriot's funeral in Sardinia, but he was understandably encouraged by the way Folgaria performed on her first start in Britain.

"It was a nice performance and she did everything right in

Italy, won all her races, but you never know what to expect to be honest," said Botti.

"I thought she won in good style despite the race not panning out how we were hoping. We were in stall one and, although it wasn't a big field, Hollie [Doyle] had plenty of daylight and we wanted to take her back a little bit and then she had to manoeuvre a little bit on the left and battled on. You could say the runner-up was a touch unlucky but, at the same time, Folgaria won with a little bit left in hand.

"I think she will come on for the run and she hasn't had a racecourse gallop or anything. That was a performance on what we have been able to do in the mornings."

Turning his attention to future plans, Botti added, "I expect she will come on a fair bit and there is no reason why a mile will not suit her, especially if we went to France where she will race round a bend.

"There is plenty to look forward to throughout the season and at the moment the French Guineas is the plan. We always thought we would aim there rather than the English Guineas as simply a mile with a bend is what we think will suit her better.

"It's been a tough time the last few weeks and when you get a three-year-old of that calibre and everything goes to plan, it is just a boost for the yard and for everyone involved.

"It just gives everyone a little bit of confidence and our horses have been running well during the winter but these are the races you want to be thereabouts in and we know we have a filly like her with lots of potential."

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## DALLAS STAR AND HIDDEN LAW ADDED TO DERBY AT SECOND ENTRY STAGE

Ballysax S. winner **Dallas Star (Fr)** (Cloth Of Stars {Ire}) and impressive Newbury maiden winner **Hidden Law (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) feature among 69 entries for the G1 Derby at Epsom having been added at a cost of £12,000 at the second entry stage.

Trained by Dominic French Davis as a juvenile, Dallas Star caused a 50/1 upset when making every yard of the running to claim Group 3 honours at Leopardstown on his first start for Adrian Murray. One of 22 Irish-trained entries for the richest race in Britain, Dallas Star will be trying to become the first horse since Harzand (Ire) in 2016 to complete the Ballysax/Derby double if lining up at Epsom.

Hidden Law is one of four Derby entries for Charlie Appleby, who won the race with Masar (Ire) in 2018 and with Adayar (Ire) in 2021. He is out of the G1 Oaks runner-up Secret Gesture (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) and looked a bright prospect when getting off the mark at Newbury, quickening clear in the final furlong to win by five and a half lengths. [Cont. p10](#)



Dallas Star | Racingfotos.com

### Pair Added To Derby Cont.

Ante-post market leaders **City Of Troy (Justify)** and **Henry Longfellow (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) both stood their ground for Aidan O'Brien, but there is unlikely to be a first Japanese-trained runner in the Derby after the G1 Satsuki Sho winner Justin Milano (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}) featured among five horses who have been scratched from the race, along with Alrazeen (Ire) (Galileo Gold {GB}), Common Defense (**Karakontie {Jpn}**), Deepone (GB) (Study Of Man {Ire}) and Navy Seal (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}).

The next scratchings deadline is by noon on Tuesday, May 7.

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### DR ROLAND DEVOLZ DIES AT 83

International Federation of Horseracing Authorities' advisor Dr. Roland Devolz has died at the age of 83, France Galop announced on Wednesday.

A veterinarian, he joined the Societe d'Encouragement pour l'Amelioration des Races de Chevaux de Courses in the early 1970s when recruited by Jean Romanet. Besides working for the Societe d'Encouragement, he was invaluable in the implementation of a modernized anti-doping control through the creation of the horse racing laboratory, based on the approach initiated by Dr. Yves Bonnaire. Also one of the greatest experts of the Stud Book, Devolz assisted in setting up medical services for jockeys within the France Galop organisation.

Upon retirement, he became the technical advisor to the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities (IFHA) in 1994, which was then chaired by Louis Romanet. He served for almost 30 years in the latter role, and was recognised with a gift by the IFHA chair at the 2023 IFHA General Assembly in Paris last October. Devolz was also a long-standing member of the International Horse Sports Confederation Expert Committee,

and frequently shared his expertise with the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI) and the World Organisation for Animal Health.

Henri Pouret, deputy CEO of France Galop, said, "Dr. Devolz has left a lasting mark on French and international horse racing by his competence, his foresight, his dedication and his absolutely unique personality. He was constantly concerned to make himself available at all times and to share his knowledge widely with the sole objective of guaranteeing the best administration of the races. He will be missed by many of us. France Galop has, in these sad circumstances, a heartfelt thought for his family and loved ones."

He is survived by his wife, Claude and family. His funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. at church Saint Sylvain d'Anjou on Saturday, Apr. 27, 2024.

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Dr. Roland Devolz | IFHA

### 1/ST AND FRANCE GALOP PARTNER ON GALLORETTE AND ROMANET

1/ST and France Galop have partnered with the aim of increasing international participation, the two companies announced on Wednesday.

The new partnership will begin with the \$100,000 GIII Gallorette S. at Pimlico Race Course on May 18, Preakness Day. Whichever horse wins the Gallorette, will automatically qualify to run in the €250,000 G1 Sumbe Prix Jean Romanet S. at Deauville on Aug. 18. A travel stipend will also be provided.

1/ST has previously partnered with **Ascot Racecourse** on Gulfstream Park's Royal Palm Series which targets Royal Ascot's juvenile races, as well as with the **The Jockey Club in the UK** around the G1 July Cup and G1 Eclipse S. and the California Crown at Santa Anita Park in September. [Cont. p11](#)



Mqse De Seigne won the 2023 Romanet | Scoop Dyga

**1/ST/France Galop Cont.**

Aidan Butler, President of 1/ST, said, "1/ST is thrilled to create another great global partnership, breaking new ground in France with our friends at France Galop. This Gallorette-Romanet pathway is an exciting trial for hopefully more reciprocal race days in France, considering France Galop's rich heritage in staging many of the most prestigious turf contests in Europe at courses like Deauville, Chantilly and Longchamp.

"We look forward to announcing more global racing partnerships over the year ahead. Whether we're bolstering the brand, increasing horse-recruitment numbers, or driving wagering dollars overseas, it's high time for more innovative moments on the worldwide racing stage."

Henri Pouret, chief operating officer at France Galop, added, "We're naturally delighted to be teaming up with 1/ST on this compelling initiative which will introduce many new French racing fans to Preakness 149 and add some welcome transatlantic flavour to the G1 Sumbe Prix Jean Romanet S., now in its 20th year of attracting the best middle-distance horses in the business.

"The travel stipend is an excellent incentive for facilitating stress-free long-haul travel, helping to secure a stellar field of global contenders for the Romanet, and proving that racing is a sport whose worldwide appeal is no barrier to worldwide participation, be it in France or the States. We look forward to welcoming the Gallorette victor to Deauville later this summer and building on the success of US-trained horses at other elite European events, such as Royal Ascot."

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**SINGAPORE AND UK CUSTOMERS NOW BETTING INTO A SINGLE POOL ON BRITISH RACING**

The UK Tote Group and Singapore Pools have signed a new agreement to commingle pools, made in partnership with Arena Racing Company (ARC) and Racecourse Media Group (RMG) as the media rights holders for British racing's 59 racecourses. The agreement sees both organisations combine liquidity, with customers of Singapore Pools betting into the UK Tote's pools on British meetings, creating bigger UK pools and ensuring an improved financial return to the sport.

Simon Leong, chief product officer of Singapore Pools, said, "We are delighted to collaborate with the UK Tote on this new front, which not only provides our customers access to larger pools but also contributes to British horseracing. We deeply appreciate our longstanding partnership with British racing and look forward to further strengthening the communal horseracing ties shared between us."

Jon Knapman, international chief commercial officer of the UK Tote Group, added, "This is a really positive development and we're pleased to have the opportunity to collaborate with colleagues at Singapore Pools to ensure bigger pools for all our customers. We will continue to cooperate and commingle with our international pool betting partners to ensure bigger, more unified pools on our racing."

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## BRITAIN

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Restless Prince (Ire)**, g, 3, **Mehmas (Ire)**--Foxtrot Pearl (Ire), by Bahamian Bounty (GB). Catterick Bridge, 4-24, 5fT, 1:02.53. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$5,957. B-Brian Killeen (IRE). \*€31,000 Ylg '22 GOFFEB; €38,000 2yo '23 TATGOR.

## IRELAND

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Ameilya (GB)**, f, 3, **Land Force (Ire)**--Noble Manners (Ire), by Myboycharlie (Ire). Gowran, 4-24, 8fT, 1:49.43. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$10,544. B-Bermuda Racing Ltd (GB). \*14,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT.

**Sea The Polaris (Ire)**, c, 3, **Sea The Stars (Ire)**--Sequilla (Fr) (SW-Fr), by **Siyouni (Fr)**. Gowran, 4-24, 7fT, 1:33.23. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$13,809. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (IRE). \*145,000gns Ylg '22 TADEY; 185,000gns 2yo '23 TATBRE.

## FRANCE

### Wednesday's Results:

**3rd-Marseille-Borely**, €30,000, Cond, 4-24, 3yo, 9fT, 1:48.01, g/s.

**KINGSALE (FR)** (c, 3, **Siyouni {Fr}**--**Venetias Dream {Ire}**, by **Librettist**), who broke through tackling 10 furlongs at Salon-de-Provence in an Apr. 3 newcomers' contest last time, raced third passing the judge first time before slipping to fourth along the backstraight here. Coming under pressure to regain third on the home turn, the 17-5 chance surged to the front with 350 metres remaining and was ridden clear inside the final furlong to prevail by three lengths from Cambaceres (Ire) (**Wootton Bassett {GB}**). Kingsale is the fifth of six foals and one of two scorers produced by a half-sister to G3 Athasi S. third Megec Blis (Ire) (Soviet Star) and the dam of MG1SW sire Charm Spirit (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The March-foaled bay, from the family of Group 1-winning sire Ransom O'War (Red Ransom), is a full-brother to G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Dream And Do (Ire) and a 2-year-old filly. Sales history: €150,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €25,500. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Haras du Logis Saint Germain & Bernard Giraudon; B-Haras du Logis Saint Germain (FR); T-Fabrice Vermeulen.

**1st-Marseille-Borely**, €23,000, Cond, 4-24, 2yo, 5fT, :58.20, g/s. **PLACE PRINCIPALE (FR)** (f, 2, **Goken {Fr}**--**Plaza Mayor {Fr}** **{SP-Fr}**, by **Kyllachy {GB}**), who finished last of nine going 5 1/2 furlongs at Salon-de-Provence in her Apr. 3 debut, was swiftly into stride from an outer gate and seized an immediate lead in this return. Clear by halfway, the 73-5 chance was nudged along in early straight and pushed out inside the final furlong to easily outclass Boujee Filly (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle {GB}) by three lengths. Place Principale is the latest of six foals and fifth scorer produced by Listed Prix de la Vallee d'Auge third Plaza Mayor (Fr) (Kyllachy {GB}), who is a half-sister to Listed Prix de la Californie victor Baby Foot (Ire) (**Footstepsinthesand {GB}**). The January-foaled homebred's third dam is Listed Debutante S. victrix Photogenic (GB) (Midyan), herself kin to multiple Group 1-placed Listed Give Thanks S. winner Mona Lisa (GB) (Giant's Causeway) and stakes-winning G2 Falmouth S. and G3 Prestige S. runner-up Croeso Cariad (GB) (Most Welcome {GB}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €11,500. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR); T-Jerome Andreu.

### CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**6th-Marseille-Borely**, €14,000, Cond, 4-24, 4yo/up, 8 1/2fT, 1:43.33, g/s.

**LAKE NAIVASHA (IRE)** (m, 5, **Almanzor {Fr}**--**Nomadic {Fr}** **{GSP-Fr}**, by **Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 25-3-4-2, €37,100. O-Christophe Becherel; B-Niarchos Family (IRE); T-Christophe Escuder. \*€1,000 3yo '22 ARQJUL.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Ride The Skies (Fr)**, g, 3, **City Light (Fr)**--Ironique, by Smart Strike. Marseille-Borely, 4-24, 9fT, 1:48.90. B-Neustrian Associates & Christophe Richard Hirst (FR). \*€35,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT.

**Port Santa Ponsa (Fr)**, g, 3, **Le Havre (Ire)**--Santa Ponsa (Fr) (SW & GSP-Fr), by Slickly (Fr). Marseille-Borely, 4-24, 13fT, 2:42.19. B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR).

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

### HANEDA HAI CAPTURED BY AMANTE BIANCO

White colt **Amante Bianco (Jpn)** (Henny Hughes) ran out a one-length winner of the Haneda Hai at Oi Racecourse on Wednesday (**video**). Billed as the first leg of the NAR Japanese Dirt Triple Crown, the 1800-metre race was conducted over a sloppy surface. **Cont. p13**

**Haneda Hai Cont.**

Second was **Ammothella (Jpn)** (Bricks And Mortar), with **Hraunfossar (Jpn)** (Drefong) another eight lengths back in third.

Bred by Northern Farm and raced by Silk Racing, the white colt was winning for the third time in five starts. He'd earlier taken the Cattlea S. in November, part of the **Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby**. His 3-year-old bow, on Valentine's Day, was a second-place finish in the Kumotori Sho (NAR-G3) over this course and distance.

Sharing his white coat with his dam, the Kurofune mare Yukichan (Jpn), Amante Bianco has a 2-year-old half-sister named Fonte Des Neiges (Jpn) (Drefong) and a yearling half-brother by Le Vent Se Leve (Jpn). His dam, who was a three-time stakes winner, was covered by New Year's Day last spring. Her second foal, Shiroinger (Jpn) (Harbinger {GB}), is the dam of multiple group winner Meikei Yell (Jpn) (Mikki Isle {Jpn}). Amante Bianco and Group 1-winning champion Kurofune full-sisters Sodashi (Jpn) and Mama Cocha (Jpn) are also grandchildren of class mare Shirayukihime (Jpn) (Sunday Silence).

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4	3	Cortado (Fr)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Suborics	H Boutin	126
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