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# DERBY 150 COUNTDOWN: FIVE HOPEFULS TUNE UP



Just Steel | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

Five contenders took advantage of a mild, dry Sunday morning in Louisville to put in final works at Churchill Downs ahead of next weekend's GI Kentucky Derby. First of the group to work was BC Stable's **Just Steel** (Justify), who went out just as the track opened at 5:15 a.m. Sunday. The bay colt worked four furlongs in :50.40 (52/60), registering splits of :13.40 and :25.20 before being eased up on the gallop out.

"Just a slow maintenance work. We're close to the race, we didn't want to do much," trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who watched the work from his pony, said. "We pretty much did what we thought. I didn't want him to gallop out much because I didn't want to do too much this close. He probably could have done more, but that's what it was."

Runner-up in the GI Arkansas Derby, Just Steel won the Ed Brown S. over the Churchill strip last November. He worked one mile in 1:40.00 in Louisville Apr. 20.

Lukas said the colt should have no problem with the Derby's 1 1/4-mile distance.

"I think he has a pedigree to do this, very much so," Lukas said. "And his running style probably complements it too. If he's good enough, he'll show up. But we've got something to work with with his pedigree."

L and N Racing, Clark Brewster, Jerry Caroom and Breeze Easy's **Track Phantom** (Quality Road) was next of the Derby contenders to work, hitting the track before 6 a.m. *Cont. p3* 

# WITH A DERBY MOUNT, FRESU'S STAR CONTINUES TO RISE by Bill Finley

Jockey Antonio Fresu watched the 2023 GI Kentucky Derby on television. Though from Italy, he understood the importance of the race and knew that everybody, be it a jockey, trainer, owner, aspires to win it. But he had no reason to believe that he'd ever win the Derby, let alone ride in it. In late April of last year, just eight days before the Derby, he had started riding in the U.S. at Santa Anita. He was unknown and unproven to the trainers in the U.S.

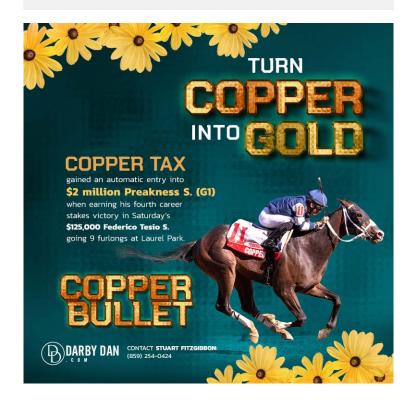
"I came here to find out if I would like it," the 32-year-old rider said.

He won a race at Santa Anita on Derby Day, guiding Baladi (Pioneerof the Nile) to a win. The victory came in a modest starter/optional claimer, but it was a good sign. He rode five horses on the day and had already caught the attention of top trainers like Doug O'Neill and Phil D'Amato. *Cont. p6* 

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One of the outsiders for Sunday's G1 Prix Ganay at ParisLongchamp, Odette Fau's Haya Zark (Fr) proved toughest where it mattered, securing his first win at the highest level.



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# THE WEEK IN REVIEW

T.D. Thornton takes a closer look at Saturday's Kentucky Derby draw and its historical implications.

# THE IMPACT OF VISIT HORSE COUNTRY TOURS

TDN social media intern Alexa Crament took the lead on aTDNtv video series highlighting Visit Horse Country and reports from the road on meet-and-greets with Thoroughbred royalty.

# SWEET REBECCA WINS MEMORIES OF SILVER STAKES

Sweet Rebecca (American Pharoah) followed up a 'TDN Rising Star' debut with a win in the Memories of Silver S. Sunday.



# Derby 150 Countdown (cont. from p1)

The GIII Lecomte S. winner and GII Risen Star S. runner-up worked five furlongs in company in 1:00.00 (5/16). He began his move through a solid opening quarter-mile of :24.20 and galloped out six furlongs in 1:13.60, according to Churchill Downs Clocker John Nichols.

"I think Track Phantom has a beautiful rhythm to him with a nice, beautiful stride," trainer Steve Asmussen said. "I don't think he's a horse that has to be on the lead. In his last two starts there were very tepid paces. I think for him to be wrangled back in either of those two races wouldn't have been to his style. I obviously expect there to be more pace in the Derby, everybody does with the quarter-mile run into the first turn. I think in a full field, I still want him to jump away from there well, but I'd be very surprised to see him on the lead in this year's Derby."

Track Phantom was most recently fourth in the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 23.



**Stronghold** | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

During the 7:30-7:45 a.m. training window for Derby and Oaks horses, Eric and Sharon Waller's **Stronghold** (Ghostzapper) worked five furlongs in company in :59.80 (3/16). Joe Talamo was aboard for the work, which was done in company with GII Twin Spires Turf Sprint contender Motorious (GB) (Muhaarar).

"He felt real good," Talamo said of the GI Santa Anita Derby winner. "I've worked this horse before and today he showed me another gear. He's a different horse now; he did this easy."

Trainer Phil D'Amato, who watched the work from the frontside grandstand, said he was pleased with the drill.

"I told them I just wanted a maintenance work today; nothing too serious," D'Amato said. "And in the end, it was an ideal drill. I said maybe go in 1:01 or so, but the way the track is playing right now their times were plenty good."





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D'Amato continued, "This horse has raced six times at six different racetracks and he knows what he's doing out there now. We've checked all the boxes and I'm very happy with where we stand coming up to the Derby."

Emily Bushnell and Ric Waldman's **Resilience** (Into Mischief) put in his third work in 10 days when going four furlongs in :49.20 (37/60) Sunday morning. The GII Wood Memorial winner worked just after stablemate **Just F Y I** (Justify) worked four furlongs in :49.40 (38/60) ahead of Friday's GI Kentucky Oaks.



Just F Y I | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

"I would say I was hoping to see exactly what we got," trainer Bill Mott said. "I was hoping for a :49 work. We put a really good work into both horses six days ago, so we just wanted our final work to be nice and smooth and cross our fingers and hope they come back good. It looked like they both breezed well, finished up well and came back nicely. Neither one of them was being pushed."

Mott said that, rather than a walk day, he may send Resilience back to the track on Monday for an easy jog.

Tami Bobo, Julie Davies and George Isaacs' **Catalytic** (Catalina Cruiser) worked four furlongs in :47.80 (13/60) in company with Jose Ortiz aboard Sunday.

"It was a good time, a good work," said trainer Saffie Joseph Jr., who added he was pleased with the colt's post five. "I thought it went as good as we could have asked, and Jose is happy with him. Hopefully we have a good week, and go on from here."

Ortiz gave a thumbs-up to the work.

"He looked great, felt great," Ortiz said. "It was just a maintenance work, and exactly what we were looking for. The horse is happy. Keeping him happy is all we have to do until Saturday."

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# Filly o/o Allez Jete CHROM FIRST FOALS BY UNCLE MO'S CLASSIC SON. SUMES at 59 days Filly o/o Enthrall Filly o/o Steely Magnolia at 60 days at 51 days Colt o/o Lucy Buckner Colt o/o She's a Dime at 54 days at 41 days

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Catalytic will be making just his fourth lifetime start Saturday. He captured his debut at Gulfstream last October and was second in a six-furlong optional claimer at Tampa Bay in March before earning his spot in the Derby with a runner-up finish in the GI Curlin Florida Derby.

"He's showing a lot more energy here than he does at Gulfstream," Joseph said. "And there, he doesn't seem to pay attention. Here he seems very focused."



Catalytic (outside) | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

Courtlandt Farms' Our Pretty Woman (Medaglia d'Oro), listed as the first also-eligible for the Oaks worked a half-mile in :50.60 (53/60). Also working for the Oaks, Foster Family Racing, William Wargel, R.K. Eckrich Racing and Maxis Stable's Everland (Arrogate) went four furlongs in :51.60 (60/60).

While the official Kentucky Derby draw was held Saturday, Churchill Downs will host an aftercare post-position draw at 10:30 a.m. Monday, pairing each Derby runner with an aftercare organization.

Each organization is guaranteed at least a \$5,000 donation from the Churchill Downs Foundation with the organization paired with the winner of the Kentucky Derby receiving a \$25,000 donation. The runner-up will be awarded \$20,000, the third-place finisher will receive \$15,000 and fourth place will garner \$10,000.

The organizations chosen this year are: After the Races, Friends of Ferdinand, Galloping Out, Horse and Hound Rescue, James River Horse Foundation, Kentucky Equine Adoption Center, MidAtlantic Horse Rescue, New Vocations, Old Friends, Racing For Home, Remember Me Rescue, ReRun, Inc., Second Stride, Secretariat Center, Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, Thoroughbred Retirement Network of Louisiana, TRRAC, United Pegasus Foundation, Virginia Thoroughbred Project and Win Place Home.





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# Fresu's Star Continues to Rise (cont. from p1)

One year later, Fresu is not only still here, but he has wildly exceeded his expectations. Established as one of the top riders on the Southern California circuit, he will ride GI Santa Anita Derby winner **Stronghold** (Ghostzapper) in Saturday's Derby for D'Amato.

"I'm over the moon," he said. "I know how prestigious the Santa Anita Derby is and that it gets you to the Kentucky Derby. Winning the Santa Anita Derby was an amazing achievement. I was more than happy. He proved that he belonged in the Kentucky Derby and to ride in that race is a dream come true. Everybody wants to be in the Derby."

Fresu had been splitting his time between riding in Italy and in Dubai, where he won the 2021 GI Golden Shaheen aboard Zenden (Fed Biz) for U.S.-based trainer Carlos David. He was doing well in Dubai, but was looking for new challenges because racing was on decline in Italy. But going to America didn't seem practical. He didn't know anyone there, nobody knew him, and he didn't have an agent. That all changed when he met O'Neill, who, in 2022, sent a string to Dubai.

"I got to meet Doug O'Neill through my agent, Michael Adolphson, who is an American who was working in Dubai," Fresu said. "He was pushing me hard to go to America. He always said that I would do great over here. He put me in touch with Doug O'Neill. I knew I could ride some for Doug and he lined me up with my new agent, Tom Knust, who has been doing a fabulous job. I figured it was time to take a chance."



**Antonio Fresu aboard Stronghold** | *Horsephotos* 



"I'm so impressed with Antonio on how good he is at getting horses in good positions, and always seeming to have run for the stretch," O'Neill said. "He's a real smart rider who can really help a trainer make tweaks to help bring the best out of each horse. He's a great addition to American racing.

At Del Mar, Fresu's career took off. At the 2023 summer meet, he rode 31 winners, second best behind Southern California kingpin Juan Hernandez.

"Coming into Del Mar, I still wasn't sure if I would stay or not," he said. "My wife Veronika [who is an assistant trainer in Dubai] still isn't here with me. I had to take a lot of things into consideration. In the beginning, I didn't know what I was going to do. But after the meet I had at Del Mar, it would have been stupid not to stay. I wasn't expecting that things would go so well and would go so well so quickly."



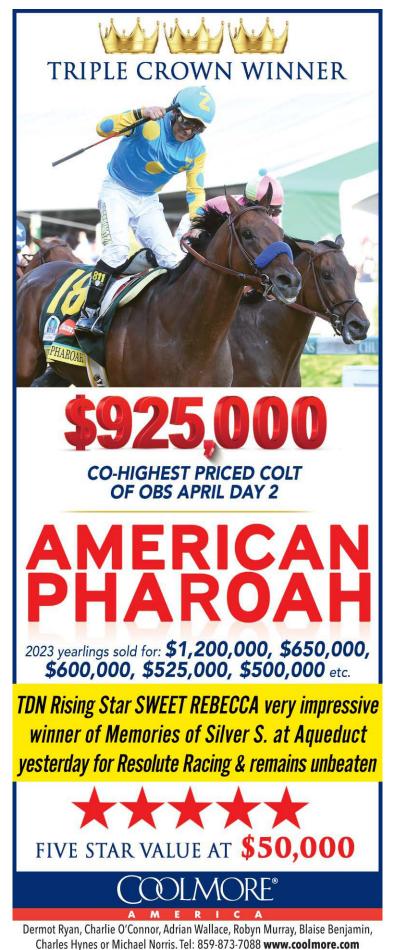
**Stronghold winning Santa Anita Derby** | *Benoit* 

Fresu also finished second in the standings behind Hernandez in the recently concluded winter meet at Santa Anita, and much of his success had to do with his association with D'Amato. He's had nine wins this year for the trainer, including four stakes victories, two of them coming with Stronghold.

Joe Talamo rode the colt in his first two starts before Fresu took over in the GIII Bob Hope S. at Del Mar, where he finished second behind the talented colt Nysos (Nyquist).

"Phil always thought he was a very good horse," Fresu said. "I started breezing him back at Del Mar. We ran him against Nysos at Del Mar and he did well, finishing second. But he was still immature. After that, Phil brought him to Los Alamitos for the Futurity in December and the horse showed a lot of improvement even though he was second again. Since that race we were thinking we may have a Derby horse."

Next up, Stronghold won the GIII Sunland Derby and then the Santa Anita Derby, overcoming trouble to beat the Bob Baffert-trained Imagination (Into Mischief).



"Phil sent him to Sunland and he won the Sunland Derby, which gave him more confidence," Fresu said. "After the Sunland Derby and before the Santa Anita Derby, I breezed him a couple of times and he was working super. He was showing that he was more mature and more grown up. He was showing a lot of talent. When we went into the Santa Anita Derby, I was pretty confident. He fought pretty hard to win that race."

Fresu will be one of three Italian-born riders to have mounts in this year's Derby. In addition to Umberto Rispoli, who rides **Endlessly** (Oscar Performance), Frankie Dettori will be aboard longshot **Society Man** (Good Magic).

"Frankie has always been my idol," Fresu said. "Ever since I was a kid, he was the jockey that I looked up to. Now that I get to ride with him in California, it's like a dream that came true. First of all, he's an amazing person. To me, he is the best jockey in the world, and he is still my idol."

For Fresu and Stronghold, winning the Derby will not be easy. The Santa Anita Derby was not a particularly tough race and, on the Beyer figures, Stronghold isn't fast enough to beat horses like **Fierceness** (City of Light) and **Sierra Leone** (Gun Runner). He is 20-1 on the morning line.

"Before this year, I have only watched the Derby on television and I never expected to be there," Fresu said. "It is the most prestigious race in the country. I don't know how it's going to end up, but getting there is really important for everyone who is involved with this horse. It is a very tough race. You need to have a good trip because there are so many runners. But the horse is doing great and is in good shape. We'll take our chances. I am really honored to have this opportunity."

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# RANDOM THOUGHTS ON FATE'S GENTLE NUDGE AT THE DERBY POST DRAW

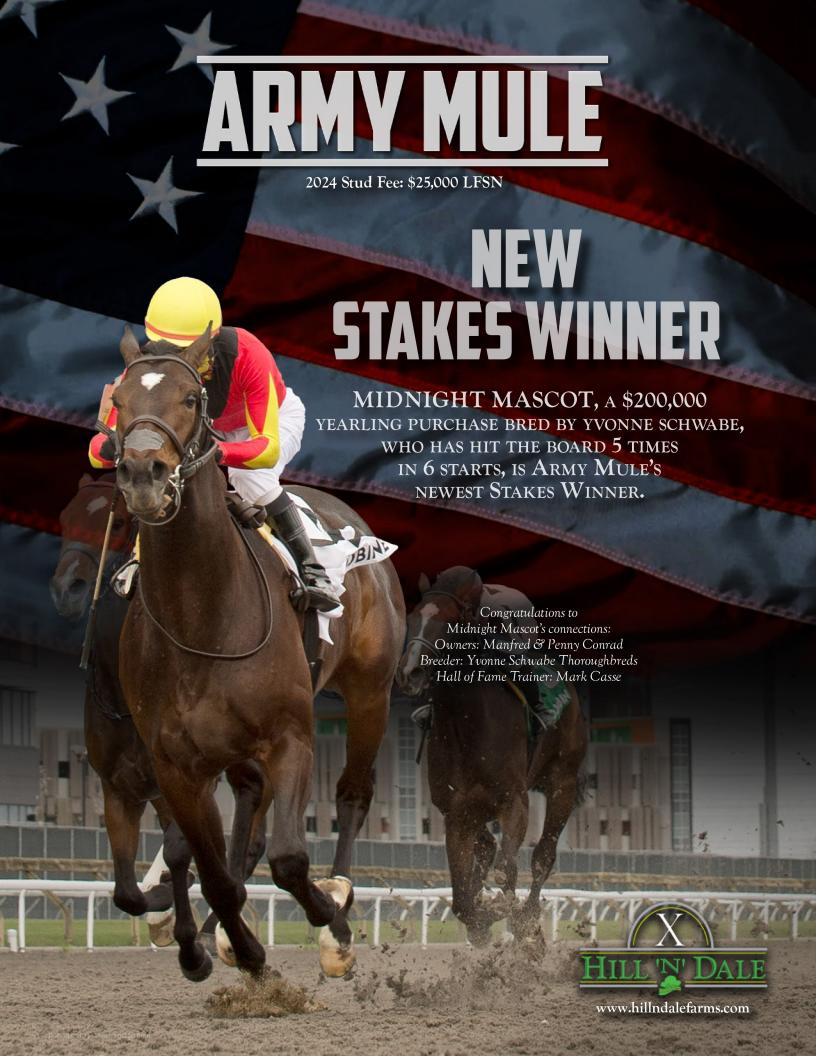
The Week in Review, by T.D. Thornton

With the assignment of GI Kentucky Derby post positions over the weekend, speculation takes a (slight) shift toward logical assessment. Here are some random takeaways on, well, randomness now that fate has left its gentle impression on the field...

• **Dornoch** getting buried in post one didn't exactly help the chances of two full-brothers winning the Derby in back-to-back years. This son of Good Magic will have a tough enough task getting out ahead of the field from the rail--which has an 8.5% Derby win rate since the use of a starting gate began in 1930-without being additionally saddled by trying to live up to the family legacy of big brother Mage's 15-1 upset in 2023.

The last Derby winner to break from post one was Ferdinand in 1986. You have to go all the way back to Chateaugay in 1963 to find the previous Derby winner to start from the fence.





• The coincidence of two full-brothers making it into the Derby in consecutive seasons isn't the only bloodstock oddity in this year's starting gate: The dams of the undefeated Japan-bred contender Forever Young (Jpn) (Real Steel {Jpn}) and 'TDN Rising Star' Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) are half-sisters. Both

broodmares were bred by Debby Oxley, out of the Oxley-campaigned Darling My Darling.

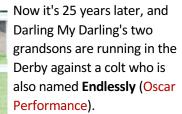
Forever Young's dam, the 2013 foal Forever Darling (Congrats), sold for just \$8,000 as a Keeneland yearling. Yet she ended up winning the GII Santa Ynez S. at age three.

Sierra Leone's dam, the 2015 foal Heavenly Love (Malibu Moon), was not offered at auction and raced for Oxley. She won the GI Alcibiades S. in 2017.

After dropping their own foals on opposite sides of the globe in

2021, the two colts out of those two sisters are now pegged as the second and fourth choices on the Derby morning line, drawn nine gates apart from one another. That's a longshot accomplishment in and of itself, regardless of where Forever Young and Sierra Leone end up finishing.

• Another odd historical quirk is that when Darling My Darling broke her maiden at first asking at Saratoga in 1999, the filly who ran third behind her was named Endlessly (End Sweep).



The longest active drought for any single Derby post position is gate 14, which has not yielded a winner since Carry Back in 1961 and is 2-for-67 overall. Endlessly has that assignment in 2024.

Among posts one through
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**Dornoch** | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

Derby winner is post 17, which has been assigned to 'TDN Rising Star' and 2-year-old champ Fierceness (City of Light).

Post 17 is 0-for-44 in the Derby since the advent of the gate.

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The last in-the-money finish from that draw was in 1988, when Forty Niner ran second.

• Can you guess which Derby post (again just from the starting-gate era onward) actually has the highest win percentage? The answer is extremely unintuitive: Surprisingly, post 20 has produced an 11.1% strike rate.

The sample size is small, however, with just 18 starters yielding two winners. The price on this year's outermost-drawn **Society Man** (Good Magic) is likely to be closer to that of the 80-1 Rich Strike, who won from post 20 in 2022, than it will be to the favored mutuel of Big Brown, who was the 2.4-1 choice when he won from way out wide in 2008.

The only other Derby posts to have a win percentage in double-digits are posts five (10-for-94 = 10.6%) and 10 (9-for-87 = 10.3%).

• The year 2020, when the pandemic necessitated that the Derby be run in September, was the last time that the number of starters in the Derby dipped to 15. Prior to that, the Derby field size hadn't been that low since 1998 and 1997, when 15 and 13 horses, respectively, started. There were 13 starters in 1985 and 1980, but the Derby hasn't edged below that number since 1979, when only 10 started.

In general, the Derby's larger fields during the 21st Century have yielded favorable results for higher-drawn horses. Since 2000, there have been 10 winners from post 15 outward (counting horses awarded wins via disqualification in 2019 and 2021). During that same time frame, there have been no winners from the first three inside posts, and only one winner from post four (Super Saver in 2010).

- Trainer Bill Mott might not have had the above-referenced stats handy when **Resilience** (Into Mischief) landed in post 19, but the Hall-of-Fame trainer's post-draw comment essentially backed up those numbers. "I'm fine with it. For me, I would have preferred to be in the outside half than the inside half," Mott said. "We have a certain amount of speed, but not the speed that you would need to get away from the one hole or even the two hole. So you know, I think I'm happy enough being out there. Part of it is the trip and you have a chance from there to have a clean trip at least through the stretch. And hopefully, by the time you get to the turn, something works out in your favor, and you can track in a little bit."
- Trainer Brad Cox had no complaints after his trio of colts drew these Derby assignments: Catching Freedom (Constitution) post four; Just a Touch (Justify) post eight; Encino (Nyquist) post nine. "Post positions are pretty overrated in my opinion," Cox said. "They all drew fine. If you're a good enough horse, you can overcome any post position. We can't control posts, so I like to keep things in perspective of what I can control, which is their training."

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# THE IMPACT OF VISIT HORSE COUNTRY

# **TOURS** by Alexa Crament

Alexa Crament is a Junior at the University of Kentucky majoring in Equine Science and Management. She recently completed an internship with the TDN's social media and video department where, among many other projects, she took lead on a TDNtv video series highlighting Visit Horse Country. Alexa is also a regular tour guide at Godolphin's Jonabell Farm.

Seven years ago, I was planning my first trip to Lexington, Kentucky during my spring break week. I fell in love with the racing industry after Nyquist's Kentucky Derby win back in 2016 and I planned this trip to get to visit some of racing's biggest champions at Thoroughbred farms in the area. As I was doing research on how I would be able to book these tours, I stumbled upon Visit Horse Country and purchased tickets to go to Jonabell Farm, home of the Darley stallions of Godolphin. If you had told me back then that I would end up working for Godolphin as a tour guide one day, I wouldn't have believed you.

Visit Horse Country is a not-for-profit organization with the goal of developing fans by connecting guests to the horses, land and people of Kentucky's equine industry through immersive experiences at member locations such as farms, vet clinics, racetracks and feed mills.

Hallie Hardy, the Executive Director of Visit Horse Country, has seen the organization flourish in recent years.

"We started with tours in 2015 when the Breeders' Cup was first here at Keeneland in Lexington and those were unique experiences," said Hardy. "Since then, we've shown growth in terms of how many people we've welcomed through Horse Country members' gates. Even since COVID we have just absolutely blossomed. We've had about a 40% increase in guest numbers from 2022 to 2023."



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That growth has created an impact here in the Lexington area. One thing that I have noticed throughout my own tours at Jonabell Farm as well as attending tours at other farms is the abundance of people. Whether they are fans or visitors just passing by, they start to develop a better understanding of and an appreciation for the industry throughout the experiences. I've had countless times where visitors would come up to me after the tour concluded and express their gratitude for how much they had seen and learned throughout their tour.

Many people who purchase tickets and take time out of their day to go on a tour generally have no previous knowledge of horses, let alone the Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry. As a tour guide, we have the responsibility to provide accurate and informative knowledge of the farms and other organizations we represent while also creating a welcoming atmosphere during our tours. It has been a privilege for me to be that source for people wanting to learn more about the industry.

In our TDNtv series partnering with Visit Horse Country, we shine a light on the importance of equine tourism ahead of this year's 150th running of the GI Kentucky Derby on May 4. I had the fortunate opportunity to tag along on some public tours and an additional exclusive experience that included a special meet-and-greet with Zenyatta for her 20th birthday.



Click here as we tag along as fans meet Zenyatta | Sara Gordon

While speaking to several guests on these tours, I noticed that many had developed a newfound appreciation for the sport after learning so much about the industry during their visit.

"It's just more work than I thought, taking care of [the horses] every single day," said Felix Martignetti, a visitor from Boston who went on a tour at Taylor Made Farm. "I'm talking to these guys that just seem like they love their job so much that it is easier. It's easier to work when you love your job."

During Zenyatta's meet-and-greet at Lane's End Farm, it was safe to say every person who was lucky enough to purchase a ticket was honored to be there in her presence during the visit. Most of them took a trip down memory lane after watching her career on the racetrack.

"I went and saw both times she was in the Breeders' Cup Classic," said Lori Vanover, a visitor who came all the way from Milwaukee to see the champion mare. "But I always wanted to have an opportunity to see her up close in an opportunity like this. I can't believe I actually got the chance to come and it was everything I was hoping it would be."

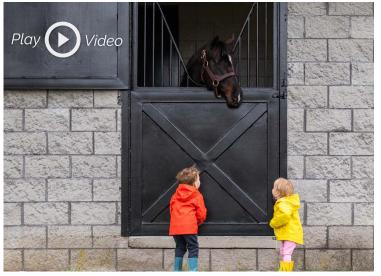
"We have such an incredible asset here with the horses, which many people don't have the opportunity to connect with," Hardy said about the significance of providing these experiences to the public. "You add in our beautiful land here which provides a platform for raising great racehorses, and then lastly, the people who are here that are passionate about what they do. I think it's important for us to be doing that at any point in time, but especially in April and October, and most importantly on that first Saturday in May. [That's when] all eyes are on us, our industry and on Central Kentucky."

Kentucky Derby week is here and now more than ever, this is a crucial time for the Thoroughbred industry to open its doors and allow the general public to go behind the scenes. It gives people the chance to experience and become more educated about different operations and their commitment to these magnificent animals. Allowing access and being transparent is even more paramount now due to the magnifying glass placed on the industry. There will always be more ways we can improve, but there is one main critical component to its longevity and that remains the general public's perception of the horse and the Thoroughbred industry.

Visit Horse Country currently provides a gateway into the Thoroughbred industry for the general public to go on unique and immersive experiences, plus opportunities that showcase our passion, so why not use that to our advantage as we prepare for the biggest day of the year in Kentucky? Approximately 150,000 people come from all over the world to experience the best two minutes in sports, and it is during this time that we have the biggest chance to create a long-lasting impact on these visitors.

My own passion for the racing industry led me on different tours throughout the years and it eventually became a catalyst in my career path. While being a full-time college student at the University of Kentucky and majoring in Equine Science and Management, I am in my current position with Godolphin as a tour guide intern, a social media intern for *TDN* as well as taking part in the Collegiate Opportunities Program at Keeneland as an Ambassador.

The center point of it all for me was the opportunity to visit these racehorses that I had fallen in love with after spending so much time keeping up with their careers on the track on my own TV screen. Going on my first tour at Jonabell Farm all those years ago felt like heaven and seeing stallions such as Nyquist, Frosted and Bernardini honestly took my breath away. It felt so surreal to see them, and now having the ability to share those moments with other visitors as a tour guide feels even more special.



Some of the younger visitors at Taylor Made Farm | Sara Gordon

These tours opened up doors for me that I had not known existed previously and for that I will be forever grateful. The impressions left on visitors after these experiences can have a significant impact, which can only be beneficial for the sport in the long run.

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# FRANCO, RICE LEAD AQUEDUCT STANDINGS

Manny Franco rode the winners of 28 races to claim the leading jockey title during the 16-day spring meet at Aqueduct which concluded Sunday. The 29-year-old native of Carolina, Puerto Rico earned a repeat win and his third overall title at the meet after capturing last year's Big A spring title with 37 wins and the 2019 title with 18 wins.

"It feels great to be back on top," said Franco, who is represented by agent John Panagot. "I'm just grateful and happy to be in this position. I want to say thanks to all the trainers and owners and all the people who make this possible."

Linda Rice saddled the winners of 18 races to notch her 15th training title at a NYRA meeting and her seventh at the circuit's last eight meets. It was her fifth Big A spring meet title, adding to wins in 2011-12, 2017 and 2023.

Seth Klarman's Klaravich Stables claimed its 26th owners' title at a NYRA meeting and fifth Big A spring title, posting a record of 18-7-5-1 and \$480,960 in earnings to be the leading Big A spring owner for the third consecutive year.

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# Saturday, Golden Gate Fields

SAN FRANCISCO MILE S.-GIII, \$177,700, Golden Gate Fields,

4-27, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.30, fm.

1--LAMMAS (GB), 125, g, 7, by Heeraat (Ire)

1st Dam: Spate Rise (GB), by Speightstown

2nd Dam: Raise, by Seattle Slew 3rd Dam: Add, by Spectacular Bid

(10,000gns RNA Wlg '17 TATFOA; £1,800 RNA Ylg '18 GOHITY; 42,000gns 5yo '22 TATBRG). O-Ronald L. Charles and Samuel Gordon; B-Peter Onslow (GB); T-Manuel Badilla; J-Irving Orozco. \$105,000. Lifetime Record: 30-10-6-4, \$342,618. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Air Force Red, 125, r, 6, Air Force Blue--Mesana, by Mizzen Mast. O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Holly Golightly; B-Stephen B. Weissman Living Trust (KY); T-Leonard Powell. \$35,000.
- 3--Balnikhov (Ire), 125, g, 5, Adaay (Ire)--Leeward, by First Defence. (€27,000 Ylg '20 ARDEAY). O-Little Red Feather Racing, Madaket Stables LLC and Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC; B-T. de La Heronnierre&Gestut Zur Kuste AG (IRE); T-Philip D'Amato. \$21,000.

# A Hubert Guy Bloodstock Purchase

Margins: HD, HF, 3/4. Odds: 9.80, 5.00, 3.30.

Also Ran: Astronomer, Il Bellator, Sumter, Freeport Joe, Cathkin Peak (Ire), I'm A Gambler (Ire), I'mgonnabesomebody,

Clovisconnection. Scratched: Coalinga Road, Prince Abu Dhabi.

Click for the Equibase.com chart and the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

# FOALING NEWS

STREET MINSTREL, 20, Street Cry (Ire)--Minstrel's Lassie, by The Minstrel

Foal born Mar. 3, a colt by Upstart.

Will be bred back to Girvin.

Owner by Estate of Brereton C. Jones.

Boarded at Airdrie Stud.

Accomplishments: Dam of Street Band (Istan), GISW, \$1,153,595; Trobairitz (Summer Front), SP, \$173,036.

ORMOLU, 16, Indian Charlie--Casanova Storm, by Storm Cat Foal born Mar. 12, a filly by Complexity.

Will be bred back to Collected.

Owned by Estate of Brereton C. Jones.

Boarded at Airdrie Stud.

Accomplishments: Dam of Land Battle (Istan), SW, \$282,957.

CREATIVE TRICK, 10, Creative Cause--Don't Trick Her, by Mazel Trick

Foal born Mar. 17, a colt by Upstart.

Will be bred back to Girvin.

Owned by Estate of Brereton C. Jones.

Boarded at Airdrie Stud.

Accomplishments: Dam of Trademark (Upstart), GSW,

\$1,105,865.



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# PINHOOKING PROSPECT

The Australian yearling market is worth over A\$572 million and has a clearance rate of 81%, giving pinhookers every chance of turning a profit at all levels of the market.

# 2024 Australian pinhooking results include—

Sire	Dam	Sex	Weaning Price	Yearling Price
Written By	Stay Positive	С	\$62,500	\$400,000
Too Darn Hot	Duvessa	С	\$100,000	\$625,000
Justify	Kitty Leroy	С	\$105,000	\$500,000
Snitzel	Serena Bay	F	\$480,000	\$1,250,000

Justify x Kitty Leroy 22

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# **GRADED STAKES** ENTRIES



# Friday, Churchill Downs #11, post time: 5:51 p.m. EDT

<b>LONGINES KENTUCKY OAKS-GI</b> , \$1,500,000, 3yo, f, 1 1	. f. 1 1/8m
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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tapit Jenallie	Tapit	Willis Horton Racing LLC	Milligan, Jr.	Esquivel	121
2	Gin Gin	Hightail	Calumet Farm	Cox	Geroux	121
3	Where's My Ring 🖛	Twirling Candy	Michael McMillan	Brinkerhoff	Lezcano	121
4	Regulatory Risk 🖛	Omaha Beach	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz	121
5	Thorpedo Anna	Fast Anna	Brookdale Racing, Inc., Mark Edwards, Judy Hicks,	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	121
			and Magdalena Racing			
6	Lemon Muffin 🖛	Collected	Aaron Sones, Julie Gilbert and Harrison Sones	Lukas	Asmussen	121
7	Fiona's Magic	St Patrick's Day	Stonehedge LLC	Yates	Saez	121
8	Tarifa	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Prat	121
9	Everland	Arrogate	Foster Family Racing, William Wargel,	Foster	Cedillo	121
			R.K. Eckrich Racing, LLC and Maxis Stable			
10	Into Champagne 🖛	Into Mischief	Six Column Stables, LLC, Randall Bloch,			
			Jim Gladden, Mike Davis and Michael Steele	Wilkes	Leparoux	121
11	Ways and Means	Practical Joke	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Gaffalione	121
12	Power Squeeze 🛪	Union Rags	Lea Farms, LLC	Delgado	Centeno	121
13	Just F Y I	Justify	George Krikorian	Mott	Alvarado	121
14	Leslie's Rose 🛪	Into Mischief	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	121
15	Our Pretty Woman 🖛	Medaglia d'Oro	Courtlandt Farms	Asmussen	Rosario	121
16	Candied	Candy Ride (Arg)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Pletcher	Saez	121

**Breeders:** 1-Willis Horton Racing LLC, 2-Calumet Farm, 3-Don Alberto Corporation, 4-Upson Downs Farm & Louis W. Wright, 5-Judy Hicks, 6-Mr. & Mrs. Theodore R. Kuster & Collected Syndicate, 7-Stonehedge, LLC, 8-Godolphin, 9-George Strawbridge Jr., 10-Robert Low & Lawana Low, 11-Klaravich Stables, 12-Forging Oaks Farm, LLC, 13-George Krikorian, 14-John D. Gunther & Eurowest BloodstockServices, 15-Woods Edge Farm, LLC & Godolphin, 16-Buck Pond Farm, Inc.

# Friday, Churchill Downs #5, post time: 12:43 p.m. EDT

# **FASIG-TIPTON LA TROIENNE S.-GI**, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Frosty O Toole	Frosted	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Dini	Bowen	123
2	Taxed 🛪	Collected	Richard Bahde	Morse	Torres	123
3	Free Like a Girl	El Deal	Gerald Bruno Jr, Carl Deville, Chasey Deville Pomier	Pomier	Lanerie	123
			and Jerry Caroom			
4	Idiomatic	Curlin	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	123
5	Pretty Mischievous	Into Mischief	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Gaffalione	123
6	Xigera 🖛	Nyquist	Rigney Racing, LLC	Bauer	Leparoux	123
7	Dorth Vader	Girvin	John Ropes	Weaver	Velazquez	123

**Breeders:** 1-Helen Barbazon, Joseph Barbazon & Godolphin, 2-Brereton C. Jones, 3-Kim Renee Stover & Lisa Osborne, 4-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 5-Godolphin, 6-Cedar Hill LLC, 7-John Ropes







# Friday, Churchill Downs #7, post time: 2:09 p.m. EDT

# ALYSHEBA S. PRESENTED BY TWINSPIRES-GII, \$750,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Money Supply 🛪	Practical Joke	Jordan V. Wycoff	Sharp	Gaffalione	118
2	Steal Sunshine	Constitution	Carrie Brogden, Michael and Julia lavarone	Dibona	Lopez	120
3	First Mission	Street Sense	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Geroux	118
4	Call Me Fast	Dialed In	Giddyup Stables, LLC and Tom Lambro	Puhich	Prat	118
5	Il Miracolo 🛪	Gun Runner	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Velazquez	118
6	Tumbarumba	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	Lynch	Saez	118
7	Tapit Trice 🖛	Tapit	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC and Gainesway Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	T O Saint Denis (Jpn)	Kitasan Black (Jpn)	Tomoya Ozasa	Takayanagi	Sakai	118
9	Pipeline	Speightstown	John Gunther and Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Ortiz	118
10	Trademark 🖛	Upstart	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Rosario	118

Breeders: 1-Jeff Little, Teresa Little, Marilyn Little & William Lynn, 2-Machmer Hall, 3-Godolphin, 4-Glen Todd, 5-Willow Oaks Stable LLC, 6-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC, 7-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD., 8-Mishima Bokujo, 9-Eurowest Bloodstock Services LTD., 10-Brereton C. Jones

# Friday, Churchill Downs #9, post time: 4:04 p.m. EDT EIGHT BELLES S. PRESENTED BY SYSCO-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Impel	Quality Road	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	118
2	All Things Go 🖛	Outwork	Daniel Micovic and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Puhich	Bowen	118
3	Lady Moscato 🛷	Quality Road	BC Stables, LLC	Lukas	Asmussen	118
4	Trial	Runhappy	Adele Dilschneider and Dell Hancock	Drury, Jr.	Rosario	118
5	Accommodate Eva 🛪	Munnings	Valene Farms LLC	Stewart	Lanerie	118
6	Asternia	Astern (Aus)	Randy Patterson, Sam Vogel and Randy Morse	Morse	Esquivel	118
7	Denim and Pearls	Into Mischief	Red White and Blue Racing LLC	Cox	Prat	120
8	Do Gooder	Good Samaritan	Copper Thoroughbreds	Antonucci	Castellano	118
9	Halina's Forte	Mitole	Rigney Racing, LLC	Bauer	Ortiz	118
10	Tanya Showers 🛷	Runhappy	Joey Keith Davis, Mach 1 Racing and Larry Romero	Hartman	Ortiz, Jr.	118
11	My Mane Squeeze	Audible	William Butler and WinStar Farm LLC	Maker	Saez	118
12	R Harper Rose	Khozan	Averill Racing LLC and Two Eight Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	120

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte, 2-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 3-Seclusive Farm LLC, Chester Prince & Anne Prince, 4-Dell Hancock & Adele B. Dilschneider, 5-Brad King & Todd Fincher, 6-Joe B. Mulholland Jr. & John P.Mulholland, 7-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 8-Suzanne S. Masters & Michael W. Masters, 9-Bill & Corinne Heilegbrodt & A.F.& B.Vanlangendonck, 10-Bedouin Bloodstock LLC & Timber TownStables LLC, 11-William Butler, 12-Sally J. Andersen

# Friday, Churchill Downs #10, post time: 4:51 p.m. EDT

# EDGEWOOD S. PRESENTED BY TWINSPIRES-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Pink Polkadots 🛪	Candy Ride (Arg)	Carl R. Moore Management LLC	Sharp	Gaffalione	118
2	Band of Gold 🖛	Preservationist	Dixiana Farms LLC	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	118
3	Scalable 🛪	Speightstown	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Dettori	118
4	Buchu 🖛	Justify	Rigney Racing, LLC	Bauer	Garcia	120
5	Mo Fox Givin	Mo Town	Woo Pig Stables	Powell	Alvarado	118
6	Pounce 🛪	Lookin At Lucky	Resolute Racing	Casse	Castellano	120
7	Maxisuperfly 🛪	Optimizer	Maxis Stable, Foster Family Racing and Chris Vitale	Foster	Cedillo	118
8	Kalispera (Ire)	Ten Sovereigns (Ire)	William K. Werner	Lynch	Rosario	118
9	Hard to Justify 🛪	Justify	Wise Racing LLC	Brown	Prat	122
10	Dynamic Pricing (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
11	Way to Be Marie 🖛	Not This Time	Robert LaPenta and Madaket Stables LLC	Atras	Geroux	118
12	Simply in Front 🛪	Summer Front	Colebrook Farms	Kenneally	Saez	118

13	Dancing N Dixie	Neolithic	Gary Barber, Rocky Top Stables and LEMB Stables	Casse	Ortiz	118
14	Ragtime Lady 🛪	Mendelssohn	Late Night Stables LLC	Amoss	Curtis	118

**Breeders:** 1-John Gardiner, 2-Brereton C. Jones, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Rigney Racing, LLC, 5-Liberty Road Stables, 6-Bell, Rankin, VanMeter & Hancock, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Mrs Ann Marie O'Brien, 9-Yeguada Centurion S.L., 10-Epona Bloodstock Ltd, 11-William B. Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 12-William Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 13-Freddie Hyatt, 14-Marcus Anthony Scott

# Friday, Churchill Downs #6, post time: 1:26 p.m. EDT UNBRIDLED SIDNEY S. PRESENTED BY RESOLUTE RACING-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Run for the Hills 🖛	Runhappy	Gary Barber	Casse	Ortiz	123
2	Ova Charged	Star Guitar	Brittlyn Stable, Inc.	Wilson	Geroux	123
3	Stone Silent 🖛	Adios Charlie	Victoriam Farm LLC	Lynch	Alvarado	123
4	Charriere	Congrats	Papillon Stables	McKeever	Graham	121
5	Elm Drive	Mohaymen	Little Red Feather Racing	D'Amato	Saez	121
6	Miss Speedy	Souper Speedy	Gary Barber	Casse	Ortiz, Jr.	123
7	Medalla Match	Summer Front	Twisted Chaps Racing Stables LLC	DeVaux	Hernandez, Jr.	121
8	Ag Bullet 🖛	Twirling Candy	Calvin Nguyen and Joey Tran	Baltas	Rispoli	123
9	Secret Money 🖛	Good Samaritan	Fortune Farm LLC, Robert Hahn and Matthew Hand	Walsh	Gaffalione	121
10	Tony Ann	Cairo Prince	A Venneri Racing, Inc. and Anthony Fanticola	D'Amato	Prat	125

**Breeders:** 1-Peter A. Berglar Racing Interests, LLC, 2-Brittlyn, Inc., 3-William J. Terrell & Frank De Savino, 4-Stoneview Farm Inc., 5-Kenneth D'Oyen, 6-Linda Mason, 7-Jane Wiggins, 8-H & E Ranch, 9-WinStar Farm, LLC, 10-Alex Venneri Racing, LLC

# Friday, Churchill Downs #8, post time: 3:03 p.m. EDT

MODESTY S. PRESENTED BY DERBY CITY GAMING & HOTEL-GIII	\$400,000	140/up F/m 1.1	/QmT
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HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
Fast as Flight 🖛	Air Force Blue	TEC Racing	Drexler	Ortiz	118
Aspen Grove (Ire)	Justify	Glen Hill Farm and Mrs. John Magnier	Sisterson	Gaffalione	120
Forever After All 🖛	Connect	Dixiana Farms LLC	Walsh	Beschizza	118
Heavenly Sunday 🖛	Candy Ride (Arg)	Miacomet Farm	Cox	Geroux	118
Mouffy	Uncle Mo	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Dettori	118
Surprisingly 🖛	Mastery	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Prat	118
Join the Dance 🖛	Shackleford	Gervais Racing, LLC	Stewart	Velazquez	118
Be Your Best (Ire)	Muhaarar (GB)	Michael J. Ryan	De Paz	Ortiz, Jr.	118
Papilio (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	D. J. Stable LLC, Medallion Racing, Barry Fowler and Parkland Thoroughbreds	Casse	Castellano	118
Sparkle Blue	Hard Spun	Augustin Stable and Catherine Parke	Motion	Ruiz	120
Caroline Street	No Nay Never	Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin	Walsh	Rosario	118
Queens Command (Ire)	War Command	Town and Country Racing, LLC	Lynch	Saez	118
	Aspen Grove (Ire) Forever After All Heavenly Sunday Mouffy Surprisingly Join the Dance Be Your Best (Ire) Papilio (Ire)  Sparkle Blue Caroline Street	Fast as Flight Air Force Blue Aspen Grove (Ire) Forever After All Connect Heavenly Sunday Candy Ride (Arg) Mouffy Uncle Mo Surprisingly Mastery Join the Dance Shackleford Be Your Best (Ire) Papilio (Ire) Starspangledbanner (Aus)  Sparkle Blue Caroline Street No Nay Never	Fast as Flight Air Force Blue  Aspen Grove (Ire)  Forever After All Connect  Heavenly Sunday Candy Ride (Arg)  Mouffy  Surprisingly Mastery  Join the Dance Shackleford  Be Your Best (Ire)  Papilio (Ire)  Starspangledbanner (Aus)  Sparkle Blue  Caroline Street  Air Force Blue  TEC Racing  TEC Racing  TEC Racing  TEC Racing  Glen Hill Farm and Mrs. John Magnier  Dixiana Farms LLC  Miacomet Farm  Augustin Stables  Repole Stable  Gervais Racing, LLC  Michael J. Ryan  D. J. Stable LLC, Medallion Racing, Barry Fowler  and Parkland Thoroughbreds  Augustin Stable and Catherine Parke  Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin	Fast as Flight Air Force Blue TEC Racing Drexler Aspen Grove (Ire) Justify Glen Hill Farm and Mrs. John Magnier Sisterson Forever After All Connect Dixiana Farms LLC Walsh Heavenly Sunday Candy Ride (Arg) Miacomet Farm Cox Mouffy Uncle Mo Augustin Stables Thomas Surprisingly Mastery Repole Stable Pletcher Join the Dance Shackleford Gervais Racing, LLC Stewart Be Your Best (Ire) Muhaarar (GB) Michael J. Ryan De Paz Papilio (Ire) Starspangledbanner (Aus) D. J. Stable LLC, Medallion Racing, Barry Fowler and Parkland Thoroughbreds Sparkle Blue Hard Spun Augustin Stable and Catherine Parke Motion Caroline Street No Nay Never Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin Walsh	Fast as Flight Air Force Blue TEC Racing Drexler Ortiz  Aspen Grove (Ire) Justify Glen Hill Farm and Mrs. John Magnier Sisterson Gaffalione  Forever After All Connect Dixiana Farms LLC Walsh Beschizza  Heavenly Sunday Candy Ride (Arg) Miacomet Farm Cox Geroux  Mouffy Uncle Mo Augustin Stables Thomas Dettori  Surprisingly Mastery Repole Stable Pletcher Prat  Join the Dance Shackleford Gervais Racing, LLC Stewart Velazquez  Be Your Best (Ire) Muhaarar (GB) Michael J. Ryan De Paz Ortiz, Jr.  Papilio (Ire) Starspangledbanner (Aus) D. J. Stable LLC, Medallion Racing, Barry Fowler and Parkland Thoroughbreds  Sparkle Blue Hard Spun Augustin Stable and Catherine Parke Motion Ruiz  Caroline Street No Nay Never Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin Walsh Rosario

**Breeders:** 1-Pursuit of Success, 2-Glen Hill Farm, 3-Dixiana Farms, 4-Randal Family Trust, 5-George Strawbridge Jr., 6-Phipps Stable, 7-Mike & Pat Freeny, 8-St. Croix Bloodstock, 9-SCEA Marmion & Mr A. Jathiere, 10-Catherine Parke, 11-Grantley Acres, Ryan Conner & Ron Davidson, 12-Kevin Molloy

# Friday, Belmont The Big A #3, post time: 2:15 p.m. EDT SHEEPSHEAD BAY S.-GIII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 3/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Parnac (Fr)	Zarak (Fr)	West Point Thoroughbreds & Dream With Me Stable	Clement	Davis	122
2	Star Fortress (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	John Gunther and Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Carmouche	120
3	Royalty Interest (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Cancel	118
4	McKulick (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Franco	122
5	La Mehana (Fr)	Al Wukair (Ire)	LSU Stables	Clement	Cheminaud	118

Breeders: 1-Jean-Pierre Dubois, 2-Sahara Group/Eurowest/Sunderland Hldgs, 3-China Horse Club International, 4-Essafinaat UK, 5-S.A. Haras du Mezeray

# Friday, Belmont The Big A #8, post time: 4:42 p.m. EDT

**WESTCHESTER S.-GIII**, \$175,000, 4yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Adero 🖛	American Freedom	Carguys Racing LLC	Servis	Adorno	118
2	Winit 🖛	Tapit	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Kimmel	Maragh	118
3	Messier 🖛	Empire Maker	SF Racing, Madaket Stables, Landsdon Robbins III,	Dutrow, Jr.	Gomez	118
			Tom Ryan, Robert Masterson, Jay Schoenfarber,			
			Waves Edge Capital LLC, Catherine Donovan,			
			Golconda Stable and Siena Farm LLC			
4	Post Time	Frosted	Hillwood Stable LLC	Russell	Russell	124
5	Whittington Park	Midnight Lute	Ten Strike Racing	Englehart	Cancel	120
6	Dr Ardito	Liam's Map	Michael J. Caruso and Michael Dubb	Brown	Franco	118
7	Charge It	Tapit	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Carmouche	124

**Breeders:** 1-Sun Valley Farm, 2-Debby M. Oxley, 3-Sam-Son Farm, 4-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Dr. BrookeBowman & Milton P. Higgins III, 5-Marshall Gramm & Clay Sanders, 6-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 7-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #12, post time: 6:57 p.m. EDT

KENTUCKY DERBY PRESENTED BY WOODFORD RESERVE-GI, \$5,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Dornoch 🖛	Good Magic	West Paces Racing, R.A. Hill Stable, Belmar Racing	Gargan	Saez	126
			& Breeding, Two Eight Racing & Pine Racing Stbls			
2	Sierra Leone	Gun Runner	Brant, Peter, Magnier, S, Tabor, M, Smith, D,	Brown	Gaffalione	126
			Westerberg and Smith, Brook T.			
3	Mystik Dan	Goldencents	Gasaway, Lance, 4 G Racing, Hamby III, Daniel	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	126
			and Valley View Farm LLC			
4	Catching Freedom <a> </a>	Constitution	Albaugh Family Stables LLC	Cox	Prat	126
5	Catalytic 🖛	Catalina Cruiser	Bobo, Tami, Davies, Julie and Isaacs, George G.	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	126
6	Just Steel 🖛	Justify	BC Stables, LLC and Schmueckle, Henry	Lukas	Asmussen	126
7	Honor Marie 🖛	Honor Code	Ribble Farms, Eiserman, M, Silver, Earl I.,	Beckman	Curtis	126
			Fishbein, Kenneth & Dave			
8	Just a Touch 🖛	Justify	Qatar Racing, Resolute Racing & Detampel, Marc	Cox	Geroux	126
9	Encino	Nyquist	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Concepcion	126
10	T O Password (Jpn)	Copano Rickey (Jpn)	Tomoya Ozasa	Takayanagi	Kimura	126
11	Forever Young (Jpn)	Real Steel (Jpn)	Susumu Fujita	Yahagi	Sakai	126
12	Track Phantom 🖛	Quality Road	L and N Racing LLC, Brewster, Clark,	Asmussen	Rosario	126
			Caroom, Jerry and Breeze Easy, LLC			
13	West Saratoga 🖛	Exaggerator	Harry L. Veruchi	Demeritte	Castanon	126
14	Endlessly	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	126
15	Domestic Product	Practical Joke	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	126
16	Grand Mo the First <a>*</a>	Uncle Mo	Granpollo Stables LLC	Barboza, Jr.	Jaramillo	126
17	Fierceness	City of Light	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	126
18	Stronghold	Ghostzapper	Waller, Eric M. and Waller, Sharon	D'Amato	Fresu	126
19	Resilience	Into Mischief	Bushnell, Emily and Waldman, Ric	Mott	Alvarado	126
20	Society Man 🛪	Good Magic	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, West Paces Racing,	Gargan	Dettori	126
			GMP Stables, Pascarella, Carl & Pascarella, Yurie			
Also	Eligible:					
21	Epic Ride 🛪	Blame	Welch Racing LLC	Ennis	Beschizza	126
22	Mugatu	Blofeld	Average Joe Racing Stables, Ltd. and Wells, Dan	Engler	Talamo	126

**Breeders:** 1-Grandview Equine, 2-Debby M. Oxley, 3-Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby & 4GRacing, LLC, 4-WinStar Farm, LLC, 5-Fred W. Hertrich III, 6-Summerhill Farm, 7-Royce Pulliam, 8-Don Alberto Corporation, 9-Godolphin, 10-Yanagawa Bokujo, 11-Northern Racing, 12-Breeze Easy, LLC, 13-T wo Hearts Farm II LLC, 14-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 15-Klaravich Stables, 16-John D. Gunther, 17-Repole Stable, Inc., 18-Eric Waller & Sharon Waller, 19-Pam & Martin Wygod, 20-SF Bloodstock LLC, 21-Fred W. Hertrich III, 22-JSM Equine, LLC

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #6, post time: 1:14 p.m. EDT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Three Witches <a>**</a>	Into Mischief	Yuesheng Zhang	McCarthy	Prat	123
2	Olivia Darling	Palace	Amo Racing USA	Delgado	Velazquez	123
3	Flying Connection 🛪	Nyquist	King, Brad, Andrews, Randy, Coleman, G. Chris,	Fincher	Geroux	123
			Cone, Jim, Kirby, Suzanne and Lewis, Lee			
4	Chi Town Lady	Verrazano	Castleton Lyons	Ward	Rosario	123
5	Spirit Wind	Bahamian Squall	Miller Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	123
6	American Band	Flatter	Haran Thoroughbreds, LLC	Haran	Torres	123
7	Alva Starr	Lord Nelson	P. Dale Ladner	Brinkman	Gaffalione	123
8	Sterling Silver	Cupid	Mark T. Anderson	Rutledge	Castellano	123
9	Red Carpet Ready	Oscar Performance	Ashbrook Farm and Upland Flats Racing	Arnold, II	Saez	123
10	Vahva 🖛	Gun Runner	Belladonna Rcng, Hudson, Jr, E, West Point Tbrds,	DeVaux	Ortiz, Jr.	123

DERBY CITY DISTAFF S. PRESENTED BY KENDALL-JACKSON WINERY-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

**Breeders:** 1-Machmer Hall, 2-Shalom Farm & Ramon Martinez, 3-Liberty Road Stables, 4-Castleton Lyons, Kilboy Estate & GavinTierney, 5-Jacks or Better Farm Inc., 6-Gary & Mary West Stables, Inc., 7-Brett A. Brinkman & P. Dale Ladner, 8-Mallory Mort & Karen Mort, 9-Lynn B. Schiff, 10-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC

LBD Stable, Nice Guys Stables, Manganaro Bloodstock, Runnels Racing, Hornstock, Steve and Twin Brook Stables

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #10, post time: 4:31 p.m. EDT CHURCHILL DOWNS S. PRESENTED BY FORD-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Raise Cain 🛪	Violence	Warren, Andrew N. and Warren, Rania	Colebrook	Saez	123
2	Tejano Twist	Practical Joke	JD Thoroughbreds LLC and Davis, Joey Keith	Hartman	Ortiz, Jr.	123
3	Bo Cruz 🛪	Creative Cause	Cettina, Roger, Pagano, Brian, Grippo, Patrick, Martine, Peter and De Julio, Bruno	Stall, Jr.	Ortiz	123
4	Mr. Wireless	Dialed In	Lapczenski, Jon and JIL Stable	Calhoun	Gutierrez	123
5	Here Mi Song	Cross Traffic	Nathan Hayden	Stinson, Jr.	Gaffalione	123
6	Zozos	Munnings	Butzow, Barry and Butzow, Joni	Cox	Geroux	123
7	Track Mate	Union Rags	Calumet Farm	Lukas	Asmussen	123
8	Minnesota Ready	More Than Ready	Richard C. Colton, Jr.	Amoss	Rosario	123
9	Three Technique 🛪	Mr Speaker	Grindley, Eric, Miller, David E., Preuss, Howard F. and Werner, John	Cook	Castellano	123
10	Gun Pilot	Gun Runner	Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Torres	123
11	Hoist the Gold 🛪	Mineshaft	Dream Team One Racing Stable	Stewart	Velazquez	123

**Breeders:** 1-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds, LLC, 2-Tom Durant, 3-Douglas Scharbauer, 4-John Kerber & Iveta Kerber, 5-Nathan Hayden, 6-Barry Butzow & Joni Butzow, 7-Calumet Farm, 8-Lothenbach Stables Inc, 9-Omega Farm LLC & Bally Breeders, 10-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 11-Dream Team Racing

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #11, post time: 5:27 p.m. EDT

# OLD FORESTER BOURBON TURF CLASSIC S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Integration	Quality Road	West Point Thoroughbreds & Woodford Racing	McGaughey III	Gaffalione	123
2	Anglophile	English Channel	LFG Racing, LLC	Lynch	Velazquez	123
3	Cellist	Big Blue Kitten	Calumet Farm	Arnold, II	Saez	123
4	Far Bridge	English Channel	LSU Stables	Clement	Ortiz	123
5	Program Trading (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	123
6	I'm Very Busy	Cloud Computing	Team Hanley, Schermerhorn, R & Braverman, Paul	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	123
7	Webslinger 🖛	Constitution	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Castellano	123
8	Never Surprised 🛪	Constitution	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Geroux	123
9	Never Explain 🖛	Street Sense	Courtlandt Farms	McGaughey III	Rosario	123

10	Siege of Boston	War Front	Joseph Allen LLC	Toner	Alvarado	123
11	Naval Power (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Dettori	123

**Breeders:** 1-Larkin Armstrong, 2-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Fittocks Stud & Arrow Farm & Stud, 6-Glenn E. Brok LLC & Mark Toothaker, 7-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 8-Golden Pedigree LLC, 9-Hidden Brook Farm & Godolphin, 10-Joseph Allen, LLC & White Birch Farm,Inc., 11-Godolphin

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #7, post time: 1:56 p.m. EDT

LONGINES CHURCHILL	<b>DISTAFF TURF MILE SGII,</b>	\$750,000	4vo/up f/m 1mT
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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ag Bullet 🖛	Twirling Candy	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C.	Baltas	Alvarado	118
2	Walkathon	Twirling Candy	Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC	Wilkes	Hernandez, Jr.	118
3	Chili Flag (Fr)	Cityscape (GB)	Madaket Stables, Dubb, Michael & Kisber, Michael	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
4	Ascendancy 🖛	Classic Empire	Jauregui Racing Stables., Barrett, D, Crossley, D,	Jauregui	Gutierrez	118
			Foran, D, Preiss, D, Valadez, A & Witherall, Graham			
5	Cairo Consort	Cairo Prince	Repole Stable and Town and Country Racing, LLC	Pletcher	Rosario	118
6	Delahaye ở	Medaglia d'Oro	Lawrence, William H. and Three Chimneys Farm	Brown	Gaffalione	118
7	Evvie Jets 🖛	Twirling Candy	The Estate of Robert J. Amendola	Kantarmaci	Rispoli	120
8	Heavenly Sunday 🛪	Candy Ride (Arg)	Miacomet Farm	Cox	Geroux	118
9	Not So Close	Empire Maker	Marylou Whitney Stables	Casse	Saez	118
10	Infinite Diamond	Bee Jersey	Diamond 100 Racing Club, Madaket Stbls & Silva, F	Biancone	Asmussen	118
11	Coppice (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Brown	Dettori	118
12	Mission of Joy	Kitten's Joy	RyZan Sun Racing, LLC and Madaket Stables LLC	Motion	Velazquez	118

**Breeders:** 1-H & E Ranch, 2-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC, 3-Finanza Locale Consulting SRL, 4-Hunter Valley Farm, 5-Frankfort Park Farm, 6-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 7-Farfellow Farms Ltd., 8-Randal Family Trust, 9-Marylou Whitney Stables LLC, 10-Charles Fipke, 11-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 12-Sam-Son Farm

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #5, post time: 12:36 p.m. EDT

# TWIN SPIRES TURF SPRINT S. PRESENTED BY SENTIENT JET-GII, \$600,000, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Candy Man Rocket 🛪	Candy Ride (Arg)	Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc.	Mott	Alvarado	121
2	Front Run the Fed 🖛	Fed Biz	George A. Sharp	Caramori	Rispoli	121
3	Coppola 🖛	Into Mischief	Hammer Time Stable and S.O.K. Racing	Romans	Garcia	121
4	Motorious (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Anthony Fanticola	D'Amato	Prat	121
5	Mo Stash 🖛	Mo Town	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Saez	121
6	Filo Di Arianna (Brz)	Drosselmeyer	Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable and Deutsch, Peter	Casse	Velazquez	121
7	Our Shot	Kantharos	Gatsas Stables, Schoenfeld, S & Terranova, II, J	Terranova, II	Castellano	121
8	Mischief Magic (Ire)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Dettori	121
9	Bad Beat Brian 🖛	Jack Milton	Marsico Brothers Racing LLC	Vanden Berg	Emigh	121
10	Big Invasion 🛪	Declaration of War	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing	Clement	Rosario	125
11	Mister Mmmmm 🛷	Speightster	Baron Racing Stables LLC	Sharp	Gaffalione	121
12	Arrest Me Red	Pioneerof the Nile	Lael Stables	Ward	Ortiz	121
13	Eamonn 🛪	Pioneerof the Nile	Robert Cotran	Orseno	Lopez	121
14	Cogburn 🖛	Not This Time	Brewster, Clark O., Heiligbrodt, L. William & Corinne	Asmussen	Ortiz, Jr.	121
Also	) Eligible					
15	Axthelm	Into Mischief	Seltzer, E., Anderson, B, lavarone, Michael & Jules	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	121
16	Panther Island 🛪	Speightstown	Golden Kernel Racing Stable	Cazares	Leparoux	121
17	Sketch (Ire)	Showcasing (GB)	Riverside Bloodstock, Falcon Tbreds, Golden, B, Beaty, Dan and Myrick, Keith	Murphy	Cannon	116
			Dody, Dan and mynon, Hollin			

**Breeders:** 1-R. S. Evans, 2-Colts Neck Stables, 3-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 4-Kirtlington Stud & Mrs Mary Taylor, 5-Rhineshire Farm LLC, 6-Stud Principessa di Capri, 7-Dr. S. Mark Rayburg Inc., 8-Godolphin, 9-Pope McLean, Pope McLean Jr., Marc McLean & Phil Hager, 10-John O'Meara, 11-Woods Edge Farm, LLC, 12-Mr. & Mrs. M. Roy Jackson, 13-B. Flay Thoroughbreds, 14-Bellary Bloodstock, 15-Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly Anderson, 16-Forging Oaks Farm, 17-Ballyphilip Stud

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #8, post time: 2:46 p.m. EDT PAT DAY MILE S. PRESENTED BY SAP-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Carbone	Mitole	Heiligbrodt, L. W, & C & Flurry Racing Stables LLC	Asmussen	Torres	118
2	Beeline	Bee Jersey	Vintage Thoroughbreds, Estes, S & Hanley, Brian	Mott	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Northern Flame	Flameaway	Oxley, J, H Lerner, AWC Stbls & Magdalena Rcng	McPeek	Leparoux	118
4	Otto the Conqueror 🛷	Street Sense	Three Chimneys Farm	Asmussen	Rosario	118
5	Seize the Grey	Arrogate	MyRacehorse	Lukas	Torres	118
6	Guanare 🛷	Runhappy	Alice McEwen	Vanden Berg	Emigh	118
7	Who Dey	Liam's Map	Maccabee Farm LLC	Drury, Jr.	Hernandez, Jr.	118
8	Top Conor 🛪	Twirling Candy	Flanagan Racing	Brown	Ortiz	118
9	Frosty Indulgence 🛪	Frosted	Dare To Dream Stable LLC	Davis	Beschizza	118
10	Gettysburg Address 🖛	Constitution	Gervais Racing, LLC	Stewart	Lopez	118
11	Vlahos 🖛	Kantharos	Leatherman, Ty, Northrup, Dan, Pappas Horse	O'Neill	Maldonado	118
			Racing Corp and Cady, Todd			
12	Nash	Medaglia d'Oro	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Geroux	118

Breeders: 1-William&Corinne Heiligbrodt, 2-Charles Fipke, 3-Debby M Oxley, 4-Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC, 5-Jamm, LTD., 6-Michael A. Waresk, 7-Maccabee Farm, 8-International Equities Holding, Inc., 9-Henley Farms, Inc., 10-WinStar Farm, LLC, 11-John Bates, Ron Kirk & Greg McDonald, 12-Godolphin

# Saturday, Churchill Downs #9, post time: 3:40 p.m. EDT

# AMERICAN TURF S. PRESENTED BY TWINSPIRES-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Twirling Point		Augustin Stables	Thomas	Geroux	118
1	I WITHING POINT	Twirling Candy	•	IIIOIIIas	Geroux	110
2	Trikari 🖛	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	Motion	Rispoli	118
3	Lagynos 🖛	Kantharos	HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud	Asmussen	Torres	118
4	Formidable Man 🖛	City of Light	Warren, Jr., William K. and Warren, Suzanne	McCarthy	Saez	118
5	Legend of Time (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Dettori	118
6	Neat 🛪	Constitution	Red White and Blue Racing LLC	Atras	Gutierrez	120
7	Stay Hot	Summer Front	Burns Racing, Exline-Border Racing, SAF Racing,	Eurton	Fresu	120
			The Estate of Brereton Jones & Hudock, William Dar	า		
8	Lord Bullingdon 🖛	Lord Nelson	Colbart Stables & Michael McCarthy Racing Stable	McCarthy	Velazquez	118
9	Noted <a></a>	Cairo Prince	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Rosario	118
10	Set	Oscar Performance	Barber, Gary and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Casse	Ortiz	118
11	Cugino 🖛	Twirling Candy	West Point Thoroughbreds and Jimmy Kahig LLC	McGaughey III	Castellano	118
12	Abrumar 🛪	Divisidero	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Lopez	118
13	Can Group	Good Samaritan	D. J. Stable LLC and Cash is King LLC	Casse	Prat	122
14	Agate Road 🛪	Quality Road	Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	122
Also	Eligible					
15	Blue Eyed George	Flameaway	BG Stables	McCarthy	Saez	118
16	Rock'n a Halo 🖛	Catholic Boy	Pocket Change Racehorses	Amoss	Curtis	118
17	Dancing Groom <a> </a>	Vino Rosso	Alexandres, LLC	Sano	Jaramillo	118
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Breeders: 1-George Strawbridge Jr., 2-Michael A Slezak & Amy Boll, 3-Robert Spiegel, 4-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 5-Lordship Stud & Sunderland Holding Inc, 6-Hidden Brook Farm & Spruce Lane Farm, 7-Brereton C. Jones, 8-Veloce LLC, 9-Brereton C. Jones, 10-Blue Chip Bloodstock, Inc, 11-Gage Hill Stables, LLC & W. S. Farish, 12-Brereton C. Jones, 13-Wynnstay Inc. & H. Allen Poindexter, 14-CHC, Inc., 15-Clear Creek Stud LLC, 16-Rosilyn Polan, 17-Don Alberto Corporation



# NORTH AMERICAN RACING



# IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**ROXELANA OVERNIGHT S.**, \$200,000, Churchill Downs, 4-27, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.01, ft.

1--ZEITLOS, 118, f, 4, Curlin--Thyme For Roses (Aus) (GSW-Aus, \$104,310), by Redoute's Choice (Aus). (\$350,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Stonestreet Stables LLC and Peter Leidel; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen; J-Joel Rosario. \$119,352. Lifetime Record: 12-5-4-1, \$544,687.

### STONESTREET BRED & RAISED

2--Dazzling Blue, 118, f, 4, Into Mischief--Blue Violet, by Curlin. (\$500,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Juddmonte; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$38,920.

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3--Happy Am I, 118, f, 4, Runhappy--Cat Dance, by Forest Wildcat. (\$50,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$290,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-West Point Thoroughbreds and Gervais Racing, LLC; B-Patterson Bloodstock & Patterson and Company (KY); T-Dallas Stewart. \$19,460.

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Margins: NK, 3/4, 2. Odds: 3.45, 2.71, 15.44.

Also Ran: Positano Sunset, Speedy Traveler, Current Climate, Last Leaf, Backyard Money, Condensation. Scratched: Socially Selective.

Zeitlos picked up her first stakes win two starts back, taking the Carousel S. at Oaklawn Feb. 24. Last spotted sixth in the Mar. 30 Matron S., she shipped to Churchill Downs for opening night and added additional black type with a win in Saturday's Roxelana Overnight S. Outrun from the gate, the 3-1 shot had to rate back off the early pace with only a pair of rivals beat into the far turn. Speedy Traveler (First Samuari) took the field through sharp opening fractions of :21.20 and :44.30 but was swarmed by challengers off the far turn as Zeitlos had to swing five wide for clear running room. With plenty of closing kick left to offer behind that early speed, the Steve Asmussen trainee outran a pair of rivals to her inside to nab the victory over race favorite Dazzling Blue. One of 103 stakes winners for Curlin, Zeitlos is out of the Australian mare Thyme for Roses (Aus) who was purchased by Stonestreet in 2017 for AU\$800,000 at the Gold Coast National Broodmare Sale. She has a 2-year-old Constitution colt and a yearling Speightstown filly but was not reported bred fro 2024. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



**Zeitlos** | Coady Media

**MEMORIES OF SILVER S.**, \$150,000, Aqueduct, 4-28, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:35.79, fm.

1--SWEET REBECCA, 118, f, 3, by American Pharoah

1st Dam: Sweet N Discreet (SW & GSP, \$366,447), by Discreet Cat

2nd Dam: West Side Dancer, by Gone West 3rd Dam: Bering Cruise, by Danzig

'TDN Rising Star' (\$250,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Resolute Racing; B-Mt. Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC (KY); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Tyler Gaffalione. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$124,500. \*Full to Sweet Melania, MGSW & GISP, \$576,210.

# ★ MT. BRILLIANT FARM BRED, RAISED & SOLD 小BS SUCCESS

- 2--Faith Understood, 118, f, 3, Catholic Boy--Zia, by Munnings. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Robert V. LaPenta; B-Whitehorse Stable (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas. \$30,000.
- 3--Curlin's Girl, 118, f, 3, Curlin--Quality Rocks, by Rock Hard Ten. (\$360,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Team Spoor; B-Blue Heaven Farm (KY); T-Anthony W. Dutrow. \$18,000.

# MBS SUCCESS D A DUCKLAND Sales Graduate Margins: 1HF, 1 1/4, NO. Odds: 0.50, 18.30, 9.10.

Also Ran: Living Magic, Munny Grab, Youknownothing, Miss Mottley. Scratched: Camera, Most of All, Thirteen Red Flags.

Sweet Rebecca, dubbed a 'TDN Rising Star' off her Gulfstream debut March 10, made her first start for Jon Stewart's Resolute Racing Sunday in the Memories of Silver S. at Aqueduct. Moved from Brendan Walsh to Chad Brown following her private sale, the full-sister to Sweet Melania stepped into stakes company and was well-backed, jumping at odds of 1-2 with Tyler

Gaffalione in the saddle as he was on her debut. Kept in midpack fourth while clearly eager to be closer to the front, Sweet Rebecca stayed covered up behind horses into the far turn, tipped out for a run past the quarter pole and easily darted past pacesetter Faith Understood to win going away. Dam Sweet N Discreet, a \$1.6m FTKNOV broodmare purchase by Mt. Brilliant Farm (who owned and raced Sweet Rebecca in partnership for her debut), is herself a full-sister to GSW/GISP Discreet Dancer and a half to GSW Travelin Man (Trippi). Her 2-year-old Tapit colt failed to meet his reserve on a final bid of \$435,000 at OBS April earlier this month and she reported a Constitution filly last year but was barren to Flightline for 2024. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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**Sweet Rebecca** | Susie Raisher

**WOODSTOCK S.**, C\$143,000, Woodbine, 4-28, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:10.71, ft.

1--MIDNIGHT MASCOT, 118, c, 3, by Army Mule

1st Dam: Midnight Embrace, by Midnight Lute
2nd Dam: Shebandowana, by Mt. Magazine

3rd Dam: Savanna Anna, by Vice Regent

(\$200,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Manfred and Penny Conrad; B-Yvonne Schwabe Thoroughbreds (ON); T-Mark E. Casse; J-Patrick Husbands. C\$90,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$149,700.

- 2--Adios Now, 118, c, 3, Adios Charlie--Standbyyourmangirl, by Southern Image. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Frank Russo; B-William McCarty (FL); T-William Tharrenos. C\$25,000.
- 3--Naptown, 118, c, 3, Munnings--Gold Medalist, by Medaglia d'Oro. (\$120,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Robert V. LaPenta and Madaket Stables LLC; B-552727 Ontario LTD. (ON); T-H. Graham Motion. C\$16,500.

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Margins: 3/4, 1, 3. Odds: 1.05, 6.50, 2.45.

Also Ran: Break the Spell, Tunechi, Countryboysurvive.



Midnight Mascot | Michael Burns

Midnight Mascot made the first start of his 3-year-old campaign a winning one as he was up in the late stages of the Woodstock S. during opening weekend at Woodbine.

The colt broke his maiden at third asking last October in Toronto, finished fifth in the GIII Grey S. over the same surface and then missed by a neck facing in the Clarendon S. to close out the season in early December.

Despite the layoff, the bay was rewarded at the windows as the even-money favorite here. Midnight Mascot initially tracked to the outside of Adios Now before being shuffled back mid-field up the backstretch. Around the far turn, he began to give chase, took aim at the pacesetter down the lane and nailed him just before the wire.

"It's so thrilling and I'm really happy for the Conrads," said Yvonne Schwabe, who bred the winner. "I have the mare and I have a full sibling and she just had a filly by Vekoma the other day. It's so wonderful when your homebreds do well, especially when they come home to Canada and do well."

A full-sister to Queen's Plate S. hero Midnight Aria, the winner's dam was bred back to Army Mule consecutively starting in 2022, which yielded a colt and a filly, respectively. Midnight Embrace visited Vekoma for this spring. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



**Zeitlos** (Curlin) wins the Roxelana Overnight S. (click to watch)

# **ALLOWANCE WINNERS**



### **IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**8th-Oaklawn, \$140,000, Alw**, 4-28, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:52.06, sy, 3 1/4 lengths.

NYQUICK (c, 4, Nyquist--Olivia's Greatdane, by Ghostzapper) dropped down to win in Hot Springs Mar. 23 after attempting on four occasions to break through at the maiden special weight level dating back to March of his 3-year-old season. Stretching out to nine furlongs, the 4-year-old was sent on his way as the 7-2 shot here. Nyquick took the lead into the first turn and continued to make the pace up the backstretch. With the field bearing down on him around the far turn, the colt responded past the eighth pole and splashed home by 3 1/4 lengths over longshot Shattuck (Upstart). Out of an extended female family which includes champion grass horse Big Blue Kitten (Kitten's Joy), the winner's dam produced a colt by Mitole who is now a 2-year-old and she foaled a filly by Flameaway Feb. 14. Sales History: \$70,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$140,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKJUL; \$160,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$159,137. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by

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O-Full of Run Racing II, LLC, Lance Gasaway and Greg Gasaway; B-Richard Bremer & Cheryl Sprick (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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Ÿ	de Meric Sales Graduate	Ÿ
c P	Ballysax Bloodstock Graduate	4



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**7th-Churchill Downs, \$128,031, Alw**, 4-27, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.85, fm, head.

TITUBA (f, 4, Good Magic-Sabi Sands, by Lemon Drop Kid), over her latest form cycle, was fourth Jan. 31 and third Feb. 28 while facing optional claimers each time at Turfway Park. Last seen finishing as the runner-up against allowance types over Keeneland's turf Apr. 7, the filly was installed as a 4-1 shot here. Running along in the second flight into the first turn, the bay chased a hot pace up the backstretch and started to make headway rounding the far turn. Taking over the lead at the top of the lane, the 4-year-old was joined by Dreaming of Mo (Uncle Mo) and the pair squared off all the way to the wire with Tituba getting the bob. The winner's dam is responsible for 3-year-old filly Wait There's More (Oscar Performance) and a 2-year-old filly by Bolt d'Oro. Sales History: \$37,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$125,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$47,000 2yo '22 FTKHRA. Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-2, \$208,805. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-LNJ Foxwoods (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.

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**3rd-Aqueduct, \$84,000, Alw** (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 4-28, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:48.52, ft, 4 lengths.

**BENDOOG (h, 5, Gun Runner--Nellie Cashman {GSW, \$349,839}, by Mineshaft)**, under the care of Bhupat Seemar in Dubai, was runner-up last year in the G2 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 2 and again in the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3. The bay was sixth in the G1 Dubai World Cup before shifting to Bill Mott's shedrow where he made his U.S. debut at the Big A last November and finished third. Coming off just under a fivemonth break, Bendoog cleared the allowance ranks when he won by a head in Ozone Park Apr. 6. Stretching out to nine

furlongs here, the 1-1 choice broke on top and took the field into the first turn. Unchallenged along the rail, the Mott trainee turned up the heat around the far turn. The 5-year-old continued to apply pressure all the way to the wire as he won by four lengths over Good Skate (American Freedom), who fouled Leading Contender (Gun Runner) and that order of finish was reversed by the stewards. The winner's dam is responsible for 2-year-old filly Cassiar (City of Light), who went to W.S. Farish for \$400,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Yearling Sale. Nellie Cashman foaled a filly by Mitole Mar. 18. Lifetime Record: 13-4-3-3, \$627,816. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Mohammed Khaleel Ahmed; B-Calumet (KY); T-William Mott.

**8th-Aqueduct, \$82,000, Alw**, 4-28, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:07.27, fm, head.

MISCHIEVOUS ANGEL (g, 4, Into Mischief--Sabrina's Angel, by Scat Daddy) won on debut sprinting over the grass last summer at Belmont Park and then was a well-beaten sixth in the GII Hall of Fame S. at Saratoga in mid-August. Moved from Chad Brown to Jorge Abreu's barn and fitted with blinkers for his 4-year-old bow, the 9-5 favorite settled under a snug hold mid-pack up the backstretch and was still in that spot as the field turned for home. The gelding went after the leader Alexis Zorba (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}) and won by a head. The winner's dam, a half-sister to sire Audible (Into Mischief), is responsible for 3-year-old Curlin's Angel (Curlin) and 2-year-old filly Margot's Angel (Practical Joke). Sabrina's Angel visited Early Voting for this season. Sales History: \$600,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$98,350. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Parkland Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Jorge R. Abreu.

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**9th-Gulfstream, \$71,640, Hcp**, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :54.43, fm, 2 lengths.

Poseidon's Warrior), winner of last year's Blue Sparkler S. at Monmouth, cut back to her shortest distance since this time last year since checking in eighth in her final two starts of 2023 of 5 1/2 and 6 furlongs. The 4-1 shot stayed just off pacesetter St. Pat's Day (Valiant Minister) around the far turn and pounced past that rival down the lane to win by two lengths over Sol Hope (Soldat) while geared down under the wire. Beauty of the Sea has only one younger sibling--a winning 3-year-old colt by Gone Astray. Sales History: \$29,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: SW, 8-4-1-0, \$164,610. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.
O-Ironhorse Racing Stable LLC; B-Shade Tree Thoroughbreds Inc

(FL); T-Joseph F. Orseno.

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**8th-Churchill Downs, \$120,000, Msw**, 4-27, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4m, 2:03.93, ft, 7 3/4 lengths.

JUST BASKING (f, 3, Arrogate--Spanish Star, by Blame) was the runner-up on debut at Turfway Mar. 13 and she finished in the same position stretching out at Keeneland Apr. 7. The 6-5 choice here was unhurried as she settled at the rear passing the grandstand for the first time. Picking off opponents up the backstretch, the filly began to circle the field around the far turn. The homebred entered the lane with a full head of steam and turned the race into a workout with a 7 3/4-length advantage over Queen of the Rodeo (Curlin). A half-sister to GI Belmont S. hero Sir Winston (Awesome Again), Spanish Star was purchased for \$275,000 by Crestwood Farm at the Keeneland November Sale with Just Basking in utero. The winner is a half-sister to One Timer (Trappe Shot), GSW-USA, SW & GSP-Can, \$914,135, to 2-year-old filly Kilwin (Twirling Candy) and a yearling colt by Essential Quality. Spanish Star visited Flightline for this season. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$100,696. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Gilder-Schwarz Farms LLC (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.





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**1st-Oaklawn, \$115,000, Msw**, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.78, sy, 5 1/4 lengths.

VINOBELLO (f, 3, Vino Rosso--Sophie Sophie, by Unbridled's Song) was a well-beaten fourth in her first start for Riley Mott in Hot Springs Feb. 24. Making the barn switch to Norm Casse, the filly was fitted with blinkers and tabbed as 3-1 shot here. The 3-year-old made the lead into the first turn and continued to hold sway as longshot Baby Avery (Runhappy) ran a close second to her outside up the backstretch. Around the far turn, the pacesetter extended her lead and ran up the margin en route to a 5 1/4-length score over her opponent. The winner is the first to the races for Sophie Sophie, who foaled a filly by Olympiad Jan. 18. Vinobello's dam is a half-sister to GI Odgen Phipps H. heroine Seattle Smooth (Quiet American). Sales History: \$100,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$240,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$75,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Alex and JoAnn Lieblong; B-Dr. Oscar Benavides (KY); T-Norm W. Casse.



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**9th-Santa Anita, \$57,000, Msw**, 4-28, 3, 4,/5yo, f/m, 6fT, 1:09.01, fm, 3/4 length.

CHARM YOUR WORLD (f, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}--Charm the Maker {MSW & MGISP, \$340,290}, by Empire Maker) debuted with Lasix as a 27-1 longshot here and from the bell, settled midpack as Heart of the Night (City of Light) tried to steal the race up the backstretch. As the pacesetter began to run out of gas around the far turn, it was 3-2 favorite Not A Sinner (GB) (Land Force {Ire}) who took over but Charm Your World began to weave through traffic and, with a dive to the rail, the filly motored right on past her rival to seal the deal by three-quarters of a length. Hall of Fame trainer Ron McAnally and his wife Deborah bred and raced Charm Your World's dam, as well

as second dam Charm the Giant (Ire) (Giant's Causeway) and third dam Olympic Charmer (Olympio). Charm the Maker produced the winner's full-brother, GI Runhappy Santa Anita Derby hero Rock Your World and another full-sibling in GSP She's Our Charm, who the McAnallys purchased for \$600,000 at the 2017 Keeneland September Sale. More recently, their mare is responsible for a yearling filly by Curlin. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$32,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Deborah McAnally Trust; B-Ron McAnally & Deborah McAnally (KY); T-Ronald L. McAnally.

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**8th-Gulfstream, \$44,770, Msw**, 4-28, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25.56, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

TOMMY TWO SOCKS (c, 3, Tale of Ekati--Not Flawed, by Not Bourbon) made two priors runs at Gulfstream but failed to hit the board on either occasion at long odds behind a pair of promising runners including next-out stakes winner Beeline (Bee Jersey) and Invigorated (Street Sense). Making his second start for trainer Jena Antonucci, the 11-1 shot was intent on being close to the pace and set a contested lead through a half in :46.14. Given his head at the furlong marker, Tommy Two Socks responded in kind and cleared off to win by 2 1/4 lengths ahead of Ajaayb (Into Mischief). Not Flawed produced back to back fillies by Tale of Verve in 2023 and Tale of Silence this year. Sales History: \$23,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$37,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$27,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Tommy Adams; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Jena M. Antonucci.

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**5th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw**, 4-28, 3yo, f, 1m 70y (AWT) (off turf), 1:41.15, ft, 1/2 length.

CATHOLIKA (f, 3, Catholic Boy--Marypop {Fr} {GSW-Fr, \$134,597}, by Layman) finished in fourth place on debut at Tampa Bay Mar. 9. Making the barn switch from Juan Avila to Jose D'Angelo, the dark bay was a 7-1 shot here. After being forced off-the-turf, the filly raced mid-pack into the first turn and continued to wait patiently up the backstretch. With a speed duel underway between favorite Moonlight Bay (Medaglia d'Oro) and Strife (War Front) around the far turn, Catholika followed closely, waited for the pair to burn themselves out down the lane and pounced to graduate over Strife by half a length. The winner's dam last year foaled a filly by Nyquist, and she was bred to both Cyberknife and Violence for this season. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Korina Stable; B-Kehner Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Jose Francisco D'Angelo.

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**6th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$32,000, Msw**, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.65, fm, 1/2 length.

PEAK EARNINGS (GB) (f, 3, Kingman {GB}--Sans Equivoque {Ger} {MGSW-Fr, \$232,652}, by Stormy River {Fr}) debuted with Lasix and as the 8-5 choice here. Following stablemate and fellow firster Miss Pretender (Mendelssohn) from the fourth position, the 3-year-old battled rankness and tight quarters into the first turn. With a duel taking place up front involving the pacesetter around the far turn and into the lane, Peak Earnings finally let loose past the eighth pole and got up in the shadow of the wire to take the prize away from Miss Pretender. The winner's dam is responsible for a 2-year-old filly by Dubawi (Ire), who was purchased by Camas Park Stud at the 2022 Tattersalls December Foal Sale for 350,000 gns, and a yearling colt by Palace Pier {GB}). She was not reportedly bred for this spring. Sales History: 200,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Sun Bloodstock SARL (GB); T-Chad C. Brown.

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Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000 261 foals of racing age/40 winners/4 black-type winners 8-Finger Lakes, 4:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Turnupthemusic, 4-1 \$85,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$100,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$45,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Disco Partner** (Disco Rico), Rockridge Stud, private 28 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 8-Finger Lakes, 4:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Miami Twofer, 12-1

Force the Pass (Speightstown), Sau 37 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 9-Parx Racing, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Dontpasstheprinces, 5-1

4-Finger Lakes, 2:42 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Findaname, 12-1

Leofric (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500 105 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners 1-Finger Lakes, 1:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Happy Instead, 4-1 \$9,000 EAS OCT yrl

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000 231 foals of racing age/45 winners/3 black-type winners 8-Finger Lakes, 4:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Dolce Veloce, 3-1 \$35,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$70,000 EAS MAY 2yo 1-Finger Lakes, 1:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Mischief Exposed, 5-1

\$29,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$70,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo





### **STAKES RESULTS:**

**ITS BINN TOO LONG S.**, \$76,100, Charles Town, 4-27, (S), 3yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.25, wf.

- 1--OVERNIGHT POW WOW, 122, f, 3, by Fiber Sonde--Holy Pow Wow, by Indian Charlie. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Beau Ridge Farm, LLC; B-John McKee (WV); T-Cynthia E. McKee; J-Reshawn Latchman. \$45,660. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$66,959. \*Full to Muad'dib, MSW & GSP, \$943,362; Full to Late Night Pow Wow, MGSW & GISP, \$700,400.
- 2--Jlodiamond, 122, f, 3, Juba--Hastypuddindiamond, by Citislipper. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O/B-Timothy Locklear (WV); T-Ricardo Rangel. \$15,220.
- 3--Lona Lee, 122, f, 3, Juba--Landon Did It, by Personal First. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B/T-Kristy Petty (WV); T-Kristy Petty. \$8,371.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1, HF. Odds: 6.00, 2.00, 12.90.

# **ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**9th-Woodbine, C\$79,711**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$34,744-\$36,573), 4-28, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :56.89, ft, 3 lengths.

STEP FORWARD (g, 5, Speightstown--Stand Back, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-2, \$114,121. O-Gary Barber; B-Endeavor Farm (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. \*\$120,000 Ylg '20 FTKFEB; \$160,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$325,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSAPR.

**7th-Woodbine, C\$74,800**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$21,944-\$23,406), 4-28, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :57.90, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

GIANT TEDDY (g, 5, Giant Gizmo--Explosive Leah, by Silent Name {Jpn}) Lifetime Record: SP, 14-4-3-3, \$162,096. O-Bruno Schickedanz; B-Susan Rasmussen & H. Lothian (ON); T-Martin Drexler. \*C\$15,000 Ylg '20 CANSEP.

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**9th-Aqueduct, \$72,000**, (S), 4-28, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.98, fm, nose.

**BE OF COURAGE (c, 4, Noble Mission {GB}--Swear by It {MGSP, \$171,043}, by Broken Vow)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-2, \$171,243. O-Gerald Goodman and John S. Pregman, Jr.; B-Lawrence Goichman (NY); T-John S. Pregman, Jr. \*\$60,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR.







**6th-Gulfstream, \$61,000**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 4-28, 3yo, 7f, 1:24.89, ft, 1/2 length.

**GENERAL LEDGER (c, 3, Summer Front--Twice by Sunday, by Sky Mesa)** Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, \$132,040. O/B-All In Line Stables LLC (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. \*1/2 to Merseyside (Maclean's Music), SP, \$172,162.

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**10th-Santa Anita, \$57,500**, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-27, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.79, ft, neck.

ASHCROFT (c, 4, Munnings--Sky Willow {SW, \$114,979}, by Empire Maker) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-0, \$94,672. O-GMT Racing Stables; B-EAS Equine Alliance, Craig Netwig & Debra Barkley (KY); T-Robert B. Hess, Jr. \*1/2 to Regal Realm (Animal Kingdom), GSW, \$825,157.

**7th-Santa Anita, \$57,000**, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-28, 3yo, 1mT, 1:35.42, fm, 1 length.

CURLIN'S KAOS (g, 3, Clubhouse Ride--It's Vengeance, by Curlin) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$160,520. O-Zephyr Racing & Alfred Pais; B-James Shenouda & A. Pais (CA); T-Antonio Garcia.

**3rd-Santa Anita, \$56,500**, (S), Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-28, 3yo, 6fT, 1:08.81, fm, neck.

**FINAL STORM (g, 3, Blame--Miss Star Maker, by Pioneerof the Nile)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$61,900. O-Little Red Feather Racing, Hopeless Stables, Veranda Stables, Michael D. Lewis and John Vanderslice; B-Larry Jett (CA); T-Philip D'Amato. \*1/2 to Gemstone Gal (Gemologist), SP, \$213,011.

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**8th-Laurel, \$55,190**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000-\$40,000), 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.93, fm, 4 1/4 lengths.

MYSTIC SEAPORT (f, 4, Midshipman--Sketch Book, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 17-9-1-3, \$236,800. O-Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Jagger, Inc.; B-Daybreak Stables, Inc. (VA); T-Jamie Ness.

**5th-Woodbine, C\$50,599**, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$29,258), 4-28, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :57.92, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

ONE TRUE GENTLEMAN (g, 4, Society's Chairman--Wild Strike, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 9-2-5-0, \$108,897.

O/B-CamHaven Farms (ON); T-Steven B. Flint.

**4th-Tampa Bay Downs, \$48,900**, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 4-28, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.81, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

CHROME GHOST (g, 4, Shaman Ghost--Pink Trillium, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-0, \$69,730. O/B-JJ Brevan Stable LLC (FL); T-Gerald S. Bennett. \*1/2 to Lois Len (Hunters Bay), MSP, \$162,562.

**7th-Laurel, \$48,000**, (C), 4-28, (C), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.50, ft, 3/4 length.

PLAY HARDER (c, 3, Outwork--Miss Manatee, by Smarty Jones) Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$93,085. O-Rising Sun Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Maria M. Haire (MD); T-Claudio A. Gonzalez. \*\$10,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$25,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN.

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2nd-Gulfstream, \$44,420, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 4-28, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT) (off turf), :56.57, ft, 1/2 length.

GRIMES (c, 4, The Factor--There She Is, by Medaglia d'Oro)

Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-1, \$98,381. O-Paterpop Racing; B-Jenny Mills (KY); T-Fernando Abreu. \*\$34,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$57,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSMAR.

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**7th-Lone Star, \$39,000**, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:39.57, sy, 1 3/4 lengths.

MISS CODE WEST (f, 3, Code West--Inca Miss, by Kipling) Lifetime Record: MSW, 7-6-0-0, \$233,334. O-Jeffry and Julie Puryear; B-B. Hawk (OK); T-K. Scholl. \*\$12,000 Ylg '22 TTAYRL.

6th-Hawthorne, \$36,720, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 4-28, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.25, ft, 3/4 length.

CAMP DADDY (g, 5, Distorted Humor--Circle of Rossetti, by Bernardini) Lifetime Record: 20-5-5-2, \$176,123. O-Antonio Donato; B-Rose Hill Farm & TNIP LLC (KY); T-Armando Hernandez. \*\$49,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP.

**8th-Evangeline Downs, \$33,520**, 4-27, (C), 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.46, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

BLUE CHEESE (g, 5, Midshipman--Lemondropkisses, by Lemon **Drop Kid)** Lifetime Record: SP, 24-7-2-5, \$255,430. O-Mark Necaise; B-Markkim Farms (LA); T-Samuel Breaux.

**5th-Lone Star, \$33,500**, Alw, 4-28, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58.93, sy, 1/2 length.

MONGOLIAN BEE (g, 4, Bee Jersey--Call Intersepted, by **Eavesdropper)** Lifetime Record: 16-6-3-1, \$86,253. O-End Zone Athletics, Inc.; B-Ganbaatar Dagvadorj (KY); T-Karl Broberg.

**5th-Charles Town, \$27,400**, 4-27, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51.75, wf, 1 1/2 lengths.

UNISON (g, 5, Unified--Modest Madame, by King Cugat) Lifetime Record: 8-5-1-2, \$110,428. O/B/T-Larry F. Curtis (WV).



6th-Charles Town, \$27,400, 4-27, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:20.22, wf, neck.

CAJUN DREAM (g, 4, Cajun Breeze--About a Dream, by Bodemeister) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-1, \$111,774. O-Michael Scheffres; B-Stonehedge LLC (FL); T-Carlos A. Mancilla.

6th-Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, \$23,500, (S), (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$10,000), 4-27, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:06.53, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

ON THE MONEY RED (g, 4, Texas Red--Halo At Last, by Home At Last) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-5, \$41,289. O/B-Shellye Marie Essenpreis (IL); T-Eddie Essenpreis. \*1/2 to Roski (Animo de Valeroso), SP, \$206,824.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Beauty N the Bolt, f, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Beautiful Becca, by Elusive Quality. Churchill Downs, 4-27, (C), 6f, 1:10.02. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$46,541. B-Ruis Racing LLC (KY). \*\$32,000 3yo '24 FTDAPR.

Opposite the Crowd, f, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Nineteenth Street (SP, \$223,276), by Proud Citizen. Oaklawn, 4-28, (C), 6f, 1:12.37. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$27,988. B-Somewhere Stables (KY).

Costner, c, 3, Curlin--Coral Sun, by A.P. Indy. Laurel, 4-28, (C), 1 1/8m, 1:53.85. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$32,524. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). \*\$95,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Champagne Problems (Ghostzapper), GSW & GISP, \$400,284; Full to Fire Coral, SP, \$234,550.

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Regaled, f, 3, Mohaymen--Ascot Walk, by Daaher. Laurel, 4-28, 1 1/16m, 1:46.04. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$31,570. B-Chris Baccari (KY). \*\$9,500 Wlg '21 KEENOV.

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A Lil Psychotic, f, 3, Palace Malice--Dreamboat Annie (SW, \$195,645), by Freud. Evangeline Downs, 4-27, 7 1/2fT, 1:33.11. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-1, \$24,000. B-Robin Lane Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). \*\$10,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP.

Rouki, c, 3, Rogueish--Kizuna, by Harlington. Tampa Bay Downs, 4-28, (C), 6f, 1:09.87. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$15,520. B-Bonnie J. Thompson & Edward Seltzer (FL).

Smile Baby Smile, f, 3, Smiling Tiger--Pearls for Girls, by Greeley's Galaxy. Golden Gate Fields, 4-27, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04.18. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$33,100. B-Premier Thoroughbreds LLC (KY).

**Two Sip Sally**, f, 3, **Street Boss**--Desperate Chick, by Tribal Rule. Woodbine, 4-28, (C), 5f (AWT), :58.43. Lifetime Record: 7-1-3-0, \$68,152. B-McKenzie Bloodstock (KY). \*\$32,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$75,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$145,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSAPR; \$110,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN.

Sunset Glory (Ire), f, 4, Cotai Glory (GB)--Giant Dancer, by Giant's Causeway. Santa Anita, 4-27, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.26. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$45,254. B-Ringfort Stud (IRE). \*5,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT.

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**Arrogate**, Just Basking, f, 3, o/o Spanish Star, by Blame. MSW, 4-27, Churchill Downs

**Bee Jersey**, Mongolian Bee, g, 4, o/o Call Intersepted, by Eavesdropper. ALW, 4-28, Lone Star

Blame, Final Storm, g, 3, o/o Miss Star Maker, by Pioneerof the Nile. AOC, 4-28, Santa Anita

**Bolt d'Oro**, Beauty N the Bolt, f, 3, o/o Beautiful Becca, by Elusive Quality. MCL, 4-27, Churchill Downs

**Bolt d'Oro**, Opposite the Crowd, f, 3, o/o Nineteenth Street, by Proud Citizen. MCL, 4-28, Oaklawn

**Bucchero**, Beauty of the Sea, f, 4, o/o Belong to Sea, by Poseidon's Warrior. HCP, 4-28, Gulfstream

**Cajun Breeze**, Cajun Dream, g, 4, o/o About a Dream, by Bodemeister. ALW, 4-27, Charles Town

Candy Ride (Arg), Charm Your World, f, 3, o/o Charm the Maker, by Empire Maker. MSW, 4-28, Santa Anita

Catholic Boy, Catholika, f, 3, o/o Marypop (Fr), by Layman. MSW, 4-28, Gulfstream

**Clubhouse Ride**, Curlin's Kaos, g, 3, o/o It's Vengeance, by Curlin. AOC, 4-28, Santa Anita

**Code West**, Miss Code West, f, 3, o/o Inca Miss, by Kipling. ALW, 4-28, Lone Star

**Cotai Glory (GB)**, Sunset Glory (Ire), f, 4, o/o Giant Dancer, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 4-27, Santa Anita

Curlin, Costner, c, 3, o/o Coral Sun, by A.P. Indy. MCL, 4-28, Laurel

**Curlin**, Zeitlos, f, 4, o/o Thyme For Roses (Aus), by Redoute's Choice (Aus). Roxelana Overnight S., 4-27, Churchill Downs **Distorted Humor**, Camp Daddy, g, 5, o/o Circle of Rossetti, by Bernardini. AOC, 4-28, Hawthorne

**Fiber Sonde**, Overnight Pow Wow, f, 3, o/o Holy Pow Wow, by Indian Charlie. Its Binn Too Long S., 4-27, Charles Town **Giant Gizmo**, Giant Teddy, g, 5, o/o Explosive Leah, by Silent Name (Jpn). AOC, 4-28, Woodbine

**Good Magic**, Tituba, f, 4, o/o Sabi Sands, by Lemon Drop Kid. ALW, 4-27, Churchill Downs

**Gun Runner**, Bendoog, h, 5, o/o Nellie Cashman, by Mineshaft. AOC, 4-28, Aqueduct

**Into Mischief**, Mischievous Angel, g, 4, o/o Sabrina's Angel, by Scat Daddy. ALW, 4-28, Aqueduct

**Kingman (GB)**, Peak Earnings (GB), f, 3, o/o Sans Equivoque (Ger), by Stormy River (Fr). MSW, 4-28, Tampa Bay

**Midshipman**, Blue Cheese, g, 5, o/o Lemondropkisses, by Lemon Drop Kid. ALW, 4-27, Evangeline

Midshipman, Mystic Seaport, f, 4, o/o Sketch Book, by Stormy Atlantic. AOC, 4-28, Laurel

**Mohaymen**, Regaled, f, 3, o/o Ascot Walk, by Daaher. MSW, 4-28, Laurel

Munnings, Ashcroft, c, 4, o/o Sky Willow, by Empire Maker. AOC, 4-27, Santa Anita

**Noble Mission (GB)**, Be of Courage, c, 4, o/o Swear by It, by Broken Vow. ALW, 4-28, Aqueduct

**Nyquist**, Nyquick, c, 4, o/o Olivia's Greatdane, by Ghostzapper. ALW, 4-28, Oaklawn

Outwork, Play Harder, c, 3, o/o Miss Manatee, by Smarty Jones. ALW, 4-28, Laurel

**Palace Malice**, A Lil Psychotic, f, 3, o/o Dreamboat Annie, by Freud. MSW, 4-27, Evangeline

**Shaman Ghost**, Chrome Ghost, g, 4, o/o Pink Trillium, by Unbridled's Song. AOC, 4-28, Tampa Bay

**Smiling Tiger**, Smile Baby Smile, f, 3, o/o Pearls for Girls, by Greeley's Galaxy. MSW, 4-27, Golden Gate

**Society's Chairman**, One True Gentleman, g, 4, o/o Wild Strike, by Smart Strike. OCL, 4-28, Woodbine

**Speightstown**, Step Forward, g, 5, o/o Stand Back, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 4-28, Woodbine

**Street Boss**, Two Sip Sally, f, 3, o/o Desperate Chick, by Tribal Rule. MOC, 4-28, Woodbine

**Summer Front**, General Ledger, c, 3, o/o Twice by Sunday, by Sky Mesa. AOC, 4-28, Gulfstream

**Tale of Ekati**, Tommy Two Socks, c, 3, o/o Not Flawed, by Not Bourbon. MSW, 4-28, Gulfstream

**Texas Red**, On the Money Red, g, 4, o/o Halo At Last, by Home At Last. AOC, 4-27, Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing

**The Factor**, Grimes, c, 4, o/o There She Is, by Medaglia d'Oro. AOC, 4-28, Gulfstream

**Unified**, Unison, g, 5, o/o Modest Madame, by King Cugat. ALW, 4-27, Charles Town

**Vino Rosso**, Vinobello, f, 3, o/o Sophie Sophie, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 4-28, Oaklawn



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# GANAY GLORY FOR HAYA ZARK



Haya Zark | Scoop Dyga

### by Tom Frary

One of the outsiders for Sunday's G1 Prix Ganay at ParisLongchamp, Odette Fau's Haya Zark (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) proved toughest where it mattered to up his level a notch and register a career-best at 19-1. Last seen recording back-to-back wins in Saint-Cloud's G3 Prix Exbury in March, the homebred who had also garnered this track's 12-furlong G3 Prix d'Hedouville last May was kept close to the early pace by Alexis Pouchin before being launched passing two out. Game and genuine to the line, the Adrien Fouassier-trained 5-year-old got there a head in front of The Aga Khan's Zarir (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), with a neck back to last year's G1 Grand Prix de Paris hero Feed The Flame (GB) (Kingman {GB}).

"To win a group 1 race is just wonderful--unbelievable for a small trainer from the provinces like me," Fouasssier said.
"When he won the Exbury, I decided I didn't want to run him in the Harcourt three weeks later as it was too soon and the horse needs to be fresh. As we were nearing this race and the ground was drying, I was worried as he so ground-dependant but it poured down last night and came just in time for us. We have no plan--the horse and the weather will tell us when to run."

Francis-Henri Graffard said of the runner-up, "It was a very good run first time in a group race, so it is really encouraging for the future. " Cont., p3

# SMITH NOT AFRAID TO TAKE ON BIG BOYS WITH GHOSTWRITER AND SEE THE FIRE

Owner Jeff Smith has his eyes fixed on a breakthrough Classic victory and could have his strongest hand yet with **Ghostwriter** (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and **See The Fire (GB)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) on course for the 2,000 and 1,000 Guineas respectively.

First up for his shot at Classic honours is the Clive Cox-trained Ghostwriter, who was unbeaten during his two-year-old campaign, finishing off by dazzling over the Guineas track and trip when claiming the Royal Lodge S.

That kind of profile has Smith excited for when his son of Invincible Spirit returns to the Rowley Mile to do battle against the likes of odds-on favourite City Of Troy (Justify) and Rosallion (Ire) (Blue Point {Ire}).

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# DERBY 150 COUNTDOWN: FIVE HOPEFULS TUNE UP

Five contenders took advantage of a mild, dry Sunday morning in Louisville to put in final works at Churchill Downs ahead of next weekend's GI Kentucky Derby. The TDN has a full report.



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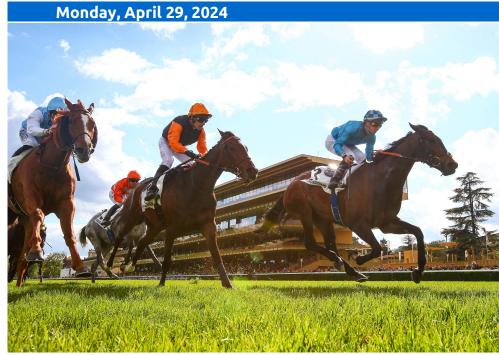
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Sea of Thieves (first right) wins the Listed Prix Maurice Zilber - Fonds Europeen De L'Elevage at ParisLongchamp. Full result on p14. | Scoop Dyga

# SEVENNA'S KNIGHT DOMINATES BARBEVILLE

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Last term's Listed Michel Houyvet victor, who finished sixth in Meydan's G2 Dubai Gold Cup last month, dominated Sunday's G3 Prix de Barbeville by eight lengths.

# WATHNAN CHART PATH TOWARDS GOLD CUP

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The Ascot Gold Cup is the main priority for defending champion Courage Mon Ami and St Leger third Gregory, according to Richard Brown, racing advisor for owners Wathnan Racing.

# GOLDEN SIXTY MAGIC RUNS DRY AT SOGGY SHA TIN 16

Alan Carasso reports from Hong Kong, where Sunday's FWD Champions Day meeting produced a myriad of memorable, and some bittersweet, results.

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# Ganay Glory, cont. from p1

"He would probably have liked faster ground, but even if it is somewhat frustrating to lose by so little, we can't complain." Feed The Flame's trainer Pascal Bary added, "It was a good performance--he has run his race this time and is going in the right direction. He will improve further and will be at his best when he runs back over a mile and a half."

# **Pedigree Notes**

Haya Zark is the second of three foals out of Haya City (Fr) (Elusive City), a half-sister to the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and G2 Grand Prix de Chantilly-placed Haya Landa (Fr) (Lando {Ger}) who was fourth in the 2012 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at 150-1. On that theme, the fourth dam Terre De Feu (Fr) (Busted {GB}) produced the 1991 Arc hero Subotica (Fr) (Pampabird {Ire}) who also captured this contest in 1992.

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Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France
PRIX GANAY-G1 €300,000 ParisLongchamp

**PRIX GANAY-G1**, €300,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-28, 4yo/up, 10 1/2fT, 2:13.16, vs.

1--HAYA ZARK (FR), 128, h, 5, by Zarak (Fr)

1st Dam: Haya City (Fr), by Elusive City 2nd Dam: Haya Samma (Ire), by Pivotal (GB) 3rd Dam: Singing Lark (Fr), by Pampabird (Ire) **1ST GROUP 1 WIN**. O/B-Mme Odette Fau (FR); T-Adrien Fouassier; J-Alexis Pouchin. €171,420. Lifetime Record: 18-6-3-2, €389,350. **Werk Nick Rating: B+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

- 2--Zarir (Ire), 128, g, 4, Frankel (GB)--Zarshana (Ire), by Sea The Stars (Ire). 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE; 1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. O-H H Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (IRE); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €68,580.
- 3--Feed The Flame (GB), 128, c, 4, Kingman (GB)--Knyazhna (Ire), by Montjeu (Ire). TDN Rising Star. (€270,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG). O-Ecurie Jean-Louis Bouchard; B-Monceaux/Lordship Stud/Clear Light SAS (GB); T-Pascal Bary. €34.290.

Margins: HD, NK, HD. Odds: 19.00, 7.60, 10.00. Also Ran: Al Riffa (Fr), Horizon Dore (Fr), Birr Castle (Fr), Crypto Force (GB), Zarakem (Fr), Fantastic Moon (Ger). Video, sponsored by TVG.



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Sevenna's Knight | Scoop Dyga

# SEVENNA'S KNIGHT POWERS TO IMPRESSIVE BARBEVILLE TRIUMPH

by Sean Cronin

Last term's Listed Michel Houyvet victor **Sevenna's Knight (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}--Sevenna {Fr}, by Galileo {Ire}), who finished sixth in Meydan's G2 Dubai Gold Cup last month, dominated the latter stages of Sunday's G3 Prix de Barbeville at

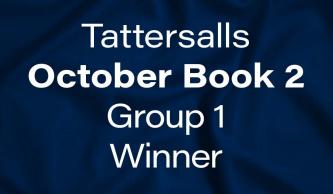
ParisLongchamp and secured a career best in the 15-furlong marathon.

The 49-10 chance raced third through the early fractions, but slipped to fourth at the halfway mark. Shaken up to regain third at the top of the straight, he seized control approaching the quarter-mile marker and was driven further clear inside the final furlong to easily outpoint **Shembala (Ire)** (Cracksman {GB}) by an impressive eight lengths.

"I loved this horse when I saw him run on his second start at Compiegne and contacted OTI to buy a share," explained partowner Frank Dheeghe. "I saw his staying power and I love stayers. He ran well in Dubai, much better than the result says, finishing well. Mr [Andre] Fabre always said we had to be patient with this horse, that he was immature and needed time. What he did today we thought he could do it one day. The program will be built towards a start in the [G1] Melbourne Cup. That is the long-term target, whether it is this year or next."

## **Pedigree Notes**

Sevenna's Knight is one of five black-type winners produced by G3 Lillie Langtry Fillies. S. winner Sevenna (Fr) (Galileo {Ire}), herself a half-sister to G2 Schwarzgold-Rennen victrix Scatina (Ire) (Samum {Ger}). Descendants of Scatina include G3 Premio Parioli (Italian 2000 Guineas) and G3 Dusseldorfer Fruhjahrs-Mile victor See Hector (Ger) (Counterattack {Aus}). Cont.





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The February-foaled bay's third dam is G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) and G3 German 1000 Guineas heroine Slenderella (Ger) (Alpenkonig {Ger}). Sevenna's Knight's blacktype siblings include G3 Prix de Royaumont victrix Savanne (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and G3 Classic Trial winner Sevenna Star (Ire) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}). He is also a full-brother to the unraced 3-year-old colt Master Of The Maul (Ire) and, like G3 Dr Busch-Memorial winner Maigret (Ger) (Counterattack {Aus}), hails from the dam line of legendary racemare and producer Schwarzgold (Ger) (Alchimist {Ger}).

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France
PRIX DE BARBEVILLE-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-28,
4yo/up, 15fT, 3:12.97, vsf.

1--SEVENNA'S KNIGHT (IRE), 126, c, 4, by Camelot (GB)

1st Dam: Sevenna (Fr) (GSW-Eng), by Galileo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Silvassa (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)

3rd Dam: Slenderella (Ger), by Alpenkonig (Ger)

**1ST GROUP WIN**. O-OTI Management Pty Ltd; B-Gestut Ammerland (IRE); T-Andre Fabre; J-Mickael Barzalona. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-1, €147,150. \*1/2 to Savanne (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}), GSW-Fr, \$139,572; Sevenna Star (Ire) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), GSW-Eng; Samurai (Ire) (Shamardal), SW-Ger, \$107,273; and Sassella (Ire) (Lope

De Vega {Ire}), SW-Fr. Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Shembala (Ire), 122, f, 4, Cracksman (GB)--Shebella (Ire), by Dubai Destination. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (IRE); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €16,000.
- 3--**Double Major (Ire)**, 130, g, 4, Daiwa Major (Jpn)--Dancequest (Ire), by Dansili (GB). O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (IRE); T-Christophe Ferland. €12,000.

Margins: 8, 3/4, NK. Odds: 4.90, 4.20, 0.90.

Also Ran: Sunfast (Fr), Sober (Fr), Skazino (Fr), Galego Star (Fr), Palus Argenteus (Fr). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

## AMERICAN SONJA WINS THE ALLEZ FRANCE

by Tom Frary

Showing no drop in enthusiasm as she made her seasonal bow on Sunday, Mark Dobbin's **American Sonja (GB)** (Tasleet {GB}) served notice that she was ready for another profitable campaign when dominating ParisLongchamp's G3 Prix Allez France Longines. Ridde prominently throughout by Dylan Browne McMonagle, the 6-1 shot took control passing the twofurlong pole and readily asserted for a 1 3/4-length success from **Pensee Du Jour (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}).

Cont.





American Sonja | Scoop Dyga

Successful in the Listed Prix Volterra and placed in the G3
Denny Cordell Lavarack & Lanwades Stud Fillies S., G3 Snow
Fairy Fillies S., G3 Brownstown S. and GIII Saratoga Oaks
Invitational last term, the Joseph O'Brien trainee will be on her
travels again soon. "She was ultra-consistent last season and it
was a very impressive performance from the filly," he said. "I
think this year we have group 1 aspirations--she has options in
Ireland, obviously the UK and France as well, but I think it's likely
you'll see her in America at some point this season."

## **Pedigree Notes**

American Sonja's dam Gumhrear (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), a half to the Listed Rose Bowl S. runner-up Island Brave (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}) and the fellow listed-placed Wildcat Wizard (Forest Wildcat), hails from the family of the GII Long Island H. winner Eleusis (Diesis {GB}), the leading sire Peaks And Valleys and the GI Pacific Classic hero Higher Power (Medaglia d'Oro). Her 2-year-old filly is by Mohaather (GB).

Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France
PRIX ALLEZ FRANCE LONGINES-G3, €80,000, ParisLongchamp,
4-28, 4yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:08.30, vs.

1--AMERICAN SONJA (GB), 123, f, 4, by Tasleet (GB)

1st Dam: Gumhrear (Ire), by Kodiac (GB) 2nd Dam: Tip The Scale, by Valiant Nature 3rd Dam: Balancing Act, by Spectacular Bid

**1ST GROUP WIN**. (22,000gns Wlg '20 TATFOA; £30,000 Ylg '21 TATIRY; 95,000gns 2yo '22 TATBRE). O-Mark Dobbin; B-Whatcote Farm Stud (GB); T-Joseph O'Brien; J-Dylan Browne McMonagle. €40,000. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ire, GSP-US, 12-4-5-1, €210,210. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.



- 2--Pensee Du Jour (Ire), 123, f, 4, Camelot (GB)--Painter's Pride (Fr), by Dansili (GB). **TDN Rising Star**. O-Wertheimer et Frere; B-Dayton Investments, Ltd (IRE); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.
- 3--Sea The Lady (Fr), 123, f, 4, Sea The Moon (Ger)--Blumenfee (Ger), by Soldier Hollow (GB). (€300,000 HRA '23 ARQDEC). O-Mrs R G Hillen; B-Avatara SA (FR); T-Christopher Head. €12,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, SNK, 2. Odds: 5.90, 4.00, 18.00. Also Ran: Tygress (GB), Quisisana (Fr), Ottery (GB), Know Thyself (Ire), Quantanamera (Ger), Left Sea (GB). Scratched: Excellent Truth (Ire). Video, sponsored by TVG.

# MAIGRET RETAINS UNBLEMISHED RECORD IN KREFELD FEATURE by Sean Cronin

Gestut Karlshof's **Maigret (Ger)** (Counterattack {Aus}--Minoris {Fr}, by Dabirsim {Fr}) concluded a two-race juvenile campaign with an unbeaten record and continued on his winning streak when notching a decisive victory in Sunday's G3 Dr Busch-Memorial at Krefeld.

The homebred bay prevailed in his Aug. 20 debut over seven furlongs at Hannover, despite blowing the start, and doubled up in Dusseldorf's Sept. 10 Listed Junioren-Preis upped to one mile when last seen.



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Maigret was the last of seven into stride here and, racing against the inside hedge, lobbed along under cover in fifth after the initial exchanges. Collected together at the top of the straight, the 22-5 chance was one of five abreast when launching his challenge with 300 metres remaining and stayed on strongly under continued rousting inside the final furlong to easily defeat New Emerald (Ger) (Protectionist {Ger}) by 2 3/4 lengths for a first pattern-race tally. New Emerald's Markus Klug stablemate and G3 Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen victor Wonderful Boy (GB) (Sea The Moon {Ger}) was 2 1/2 lengths adrift in third. There was some cause for concern after the line when Maigret jumped a border hedge and parted company with rider Lukas Delozier, but both escaped injury.

"Maigret is very good and has a really big engine, but he is still very green," Delozier told *GaloppOnline*. "After three starts, he remains undefeated and is now a Listed and Group winner. We can certainly look forward to a bright future with him."

## **Pedigree Notes**

Maigret, who becomes the second pattern-race winner for his sire, is the third of six foals produced by Minoris (Fr) (Dabirsim {Fr}), her first being multiple Group-winning G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third and G2 German 1000 Guineas runner-up Mylady (Ger) (The Grey Gatsby {Ire}). Mylady won the 2022 renewal of this contest. Minoris, who is out of a half-sister to Listed Hampton Court S. victor and G2 Hardwicke S. third Persian Majesty (Ire) (Grand Lodge), has a 2-year-old full-brother to Maigret and a yearling full-sister and weanling full-brother to Mylady to come. The March-foaled homebred is from a family which features G1 Diamond Jubilee S. and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup-winning sire Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}) and G1 Derby-winning sire Slip Anchor (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}). This is the dam line of legendary racemare and producer Schwarzgold (Ger) (Alchimist {Ger}).



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Sunday, Krefeld, Germany

**DER GROSSE ONLINE-BANKING-PREIS - DR BUSCH-MEMORIAL-G3,** €55,000, Krefeld, 4-28, 3yo, 8 1/2fT, 1:50.61, g/s.

1--MAIGRET (GER), 128, c, 3, by Counterattack (Aus)

1st Dam: Minoris (Fr), by Dabirsim (Fr)
2nd Dam: Monspa (GB), by Monsun (Ger)

**3rd Dam: Spa (GB), by Sadler**'s **Wells GROUP WIN**. (€95,000 RNA YIg '22 BBAG

**1ST GROUP WIN**. (€95,000 RNA Ylg '22 BBAGS). O/B-Gestut Karlshof (GER); T-Bohumil Nedorostek; J-Lukas Delozier. €32,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, €53,000. \*1/2 to Mylady (Ger) (The Grey Gatsby {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Ger, GSW-US, \$234,227. **Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

- 2--New Emerald (Ger), 128, c, 3, Protectionist (Ger)--Nouvelle Gorl (Ger), by Soldier Hollow (GB). **1ST BLACK TYPE**; **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (€24,000 RNA Ylg '22 BBAGS). O/B-Stall Emerald (GER); T-Markus Klug. €12,000.
- 3--Wonderful Boy (GB), 128, c, 3, Sea The Moon (Ger)--Wonderful Gorl (Ger), by Areion (Ger). (€64,000 Ylg '22 BBAGO). O-Thomas Georg Jander; B-Gestut Gorlsdorf (GB); T-Markus Klug. €6,000.

Margins: 2 3/4, 2HF, 3/4. Odds: 4.40, 6.80, 1.80. Also Ran: Geography (Ger), Shootout (Ire), Schutzenzauber (Ger), Thekingofmyheart (Ire). **VIDEO**.

# MELFI TOUGH LATE, WINS ITALIAN 2000 GUINEAS

Always prominent throughout with his flashy cheek pieces, **Melfi (Ire)** (Kessaar {Ire}) was the looming target late in the G3 Premio Parioli HID Italian 2000 Guineas, and in the end his class was too much to overcome en route to a career-first group score.

Just missing the board twice in his career, both in the beginning stages of it, Melfi came into this contest riding a duo of wins--his seasonal wrap last year in the Listed Premio 54 Criterium Di Pisa and his 2024 bow against condition rivals Apr. 1 over this course.

Away well and in a prime position on the outside of the pacesetters, he launched his challenge passing the 400 metre mark and was hard ridden in the late stages as Maturlo (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) came calling. While the eventual runner-up tried valiantly to close the gap, Melfi was aways just a bit too much and beat that one home by 3/4 lengths.

## **Pedigree Notes**

Out of a half-sister to an 11-time winner in Italy, namely MSW Azzeccagarbugli (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Melfi is the dam's third winner from as many to the races. Miss Purity Pinker has also produced a 2-year-old filly by Inns of Court (Ire) as well as a

yearling colt by Starman (GB). Melfi is sire Kessaar's first Group winner in addition to claiming the title of being that stallion's first stakes winner.

Sunday, Rome, Italy
PREMIO PARIOLI HID ITALIAN 2000 GUINEAS-G3, €154,000,
Rome, 4-28, 3yo, 1600mT, 1:35.30, gd.

1st Dam: Miss Purity Pinker (Ire), by One Cool Cat

1--MELFI (IRE), 128, c, 3, by Kessaar (Ire)

2nd Dam: Consultant Stylist (Ire), by Desert Style (Ire)
3rd Dam: Grannys Reluctance (Ire), by Anita's Prince (Ire)
1ST GROUP WIN. (€33,000 Ylg '22 TATSEP). O-Chelsea Srls.
B-Tally Ho Stud (IRE). T-Endo Botti Galoppo Di E.Botti Soc Al
Srl. J-Di Tocco Dario. €59,500. Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-1,
€157,120. Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the eNicks report &

5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com cataloguestyle pedigree.

- 2--Maturlo (Ire), 128, c, 3, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Purlain (GB), by Camelot (GB. 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Aladjian H. -Galizzi R. B-Societa Semplice Agricola Di Pine (IRE). T-Marcialis Antonio. €26,180.
- 3--Ghorgan (Ger), 128, c, 3, Study of Man (Ire)--Guavia (Ger), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). (€55,000 Ylg '22 BBASEP). O-Darius Racing. B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof (GER). T-Woehler Andreas. €14,280.



Margins: 3/4, 3, SHD. Odds: 1.04, 5.20, 3.05.

Also Ran: River Spot (Ire), Interstellar (Ity), Blu Note (Ity), Master (GB), Cult Figure (Ire), Midnight Mask (Ire), Majin Bu (GB), Rising Palace, Mr Darcy (Ity), Muratone (Ity), Beholder (Ire). **Chart and Video**.

# BEENHAM RISES TO TASK IN ITALIAN 1000 GUINEAS SCRAMBLE ON WIRE

She'd only won once previously in her career, but when she needed to produce her best, so she did, and **Beenham (Ire)** (Havana Grey {GB}) turned in the 39-1 shocker to secure the G3 Premio Regina Elena Italian 1000 Guineas.

Having initially begun her career on British tracks, including a maiden-breaking performance last May at Goodwood, she would change stables from Rod Millman to the Italian operation of Fabio Boccardelli after seven winless tries to end her juvenile season in October. Resurfacing in March and steadily improving in her two prior starts, she parlayed her runner-up effort Mar. 29 against local condition foes in a big way here.

Tracking the leader from second as **Atmosfera (Ity)** (Arcano {Ire}) stepped forward to put up the splits, Beenham was content in that spot until Germano Marcelli called on his charge for more passing the 400 metre mark. Slowly grinding her way to the front, it was a cavalry charge behind her led by favorite **Calle Almazora (Ity)** (Johnny Red Kerr), whose last gasp lunge on the wire fell a head short while **Grand Saxon (Ire)** (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}) came in third.

After the finish, Calle Almazora was disqualified from second for interfering with Grand Saxon in the late stages, and the order of finish was reversed. The winner was not impacted.

## **Pedigree Notes**

Beenham is out of stakes-placed Ares Choix, who herself is a half-sister to GSW-Eng Emerald Star (GB) (Mount Nelson {GB}). The dam has produced 10 foals with five winners between them, though Beenham is her most accomplished offspring thus

far. Ares Choix's last registered foal is a yearling filly by Awtaad (Ire).

Sunday, Rome, Italy

**PREMIO REGINA ELENA ITALIAN 1000 GUINEAS-G3,** €154,000, Rome, 4-28, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:36.10, gd.

1--BEENHAM (IRE), 123, f, 3, by Havana Grey (GB)

1st Dam: Ares Choix (GB) (SP-Fr), by Choisir (Aus)

2nd Dam: Ares Vallis (Ire), by Caerleon

3rd Dam: Hoedown Honey, by Country Light

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GROUP WIN**. (€12,500 RNA Wlg '21 GOFNOV, 30,000gns Ylg '22 TATSEP, 18,000gns RNA 2yo '23 TATOCT). O-Belluscio Matteo. B-Hunting Hill Stud (IRE). T-Boccardelli Fabio. J-Marcelli Germano. €59,500. Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-1, €95,396. Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Grand Saxon (Ire), 123, f, 3, Saxon Warrior (Jpn)--Miss Lillie (GB), by Exeed And Excel (Aus). 1ST BLACK-TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (€27,000 Ylg '22 TATSEP). O-Manservigi Fabio. B-DSR Syndicate (IRE). T-Colella Giovanni. €26,180.
- 3--Calle Almazora (Ity), 123, f, 3, Johnny Red Kerr--Backdrop, by First Defence. **1ST BLACK-TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. O-Sc Giacobbe Ferruccio. B-Niccolai Simone (ITY). T-Endo Botti Galoppo Di E.Botti Soc Al Srl. €14,280.

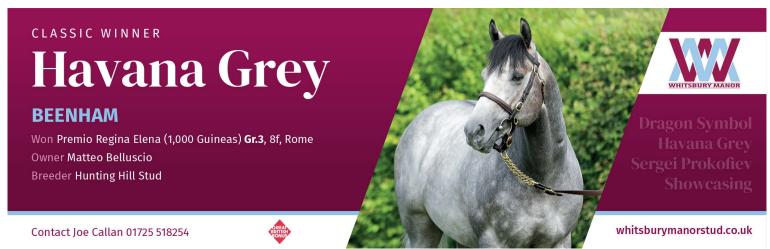
Margins: HD, HF, 3/4. Odds: 39.00, 61.00, 7.40.

Also Ran: Amorevole (Ire), Atmosfera (Ity), Three Havanas (Ger), Eternal Blossom (Ire), Misstep (Ire), Happy Smile (GB), Sioux Life (Ity), Tomiko (Ire), Countess Susie, Aretha Star (GB), Sum Never Sets, Mysterious Shadow (Ire), Princess Chizara (Ire), Greater Queen (Ire). Chart and Video.



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## EUROPEAN NEWS

#### Jeff Smith, cont. from p1

He said, "I haven't seen him for two weeks but Clive is very upbeat and couldn't have the horse in better condition, given there is only a week to go-and we're extremely hopeful.

"He's an unbeaten two-year-old with cracking form and we would go there with every chance. If you take the favourite out of the colts' race, then it is wide open.

"Chief Singer (GB) came second but Norse Dancer (Ire) came third and was beaten slightly less, so you could argue that was better. I've had the second, third and fourth, so it's time for that to change."

It is 40 years since Chief Singer's silver medal in the 2,000 Guineas, but the Littleton Stud owner still speaks fondly of the horse, who may have narrowly failed to scoop Classic honours but would go on to strike in three of the summer's biggest contests.

Trained by Ron Sheather, Chief Singer would win the St James's Palace Stakes, the July Cup and the Sussex Stakes at three to earn a special place in his owner's affections.

"He was very special and I was very lucky to get him very early on in my time owning horses, it was just amazing," said Smith. I think at the time, I realised how lucky I was, but if I didn't then, I certainly realise how lucky I was now."

More recently, it was Alcohol Free (Ire) (No Nay Never) who excelled in Smith's colours and although only fifth when sent off 5-2 joint-favourite for the 1,000 Guineas in 2021, she would follow in the footsteps of Chief Singer and go on to strike at both Royal Ascot and in the Sussex Stakes at Goodwood.



Jeff Smith (left): with Guineas-bound Ghostwriter and jockey Richard Kingscote | Racingfotos.com

Alcohol Free was trained by Andrew Balding, whose family have long been custodians of Smith's finest equine talent, with the Kingsclere supremo in charge of preparing See The Fire for her 1,000 Guineas tilt.

A daughter of Sea The Stars (Ire) out of Smith's Group One-winning mare Arabian Queen (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), she is bred for the role of top-class performer and showcased her ability when placed in two hot contests at the end of last season.

Smith added, "They are two proper chances, I'm extremely hopeful of both and I know all owners are balmy and optimistic and so on, but Ylang Ylang is favourite and we were beaten just over a length [by her].

"On that occasion, we came too early if you look at it retrospectively and hung across the course, so why would that be favourite and we be much bigger? I think we go there with a great chance.

"We've never had a hand as good as this and if you can't be enthusiastic about two Classic runners with chances, you may as well give up."

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## WATHNAN CHART PATH TOWARDS GOLD **CUP WITH COURAGE MON AMI, GREGORY**

The Ascot Gold Cup is the main priority for defending champion Courage Mon Ami (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and St Leger third **Gregory (GB)** (Golden Horn {GB}), according to Richard Brown, racing advisor for owners Wathnan Racing.

The John and Thady Gosden-trained duo gave the Qatar-based operation the perfect start to their ownership enterprise last season.

Both horses hold entries for the Boodles Yorkshire Cup on May 17, while Sandown's Henry II S. a week later is another possible option for the duo to tune up for their main summer assignment.

Brown said, "Both are well and pointing towards the Ascot Gold Cup and obviously there are a few races they can run in before then. John and Thady are still to decide who is going where and where either of them is going to go.

"There are only a couple of options and at the moment we're slightly nervous about the ground. It may be that they both have to run in the same race, but we hope that is not the case.

"There is obviously York and Sandown and both races feed nicely into Ascot."

Meanwhile, another of Wathnan's young stars, Isaac Shelby (GB) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}), has run his last race and has been retired after suffering an injury when second in the Prix Daniel Wildenstein at the end of last season.



Richard Brown: revealed that Isaac Shelby has been retired Tattersalls

Trained by Brian Meehan, the consistent operator was acquired by Wathnan after claiming the Greenham Stakes on his three-year-old bow and was only a whisker away from Classic honours in the Poule d'Essai des Poulains on his first outing in their colours.

"We've retired Isaac Shelby and he suffered an injury in France when he ran on Arc day," continued Brown.

"He's back sound but there was risk with going back and racing him and considering he nearly gave Wathnan a dream start in Paris, there was absolutely no chance they were going to risk the horse, so they have retired him.

"A plan hasn't been made for him, but he's in Newmarket and we're just letting him down and we will figure things out for him in the coming months."

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## **WOOTTON BASSETT HEADS INTERNATIONAL** SHUTTLERS TO COOLMORE AUSTRALIA

St Mark's Basilica (Fr), Churchill (Ire), Starspangledbanner (Aus) and Wootton Bassett (GB) have been confirmed on the Coolmore Australia roster for 2024, although a fee has yet to be revealed for the latter.

Wootton Bassett stood for \$93,500 and covered 131 mares in 2023, which included Group 1 winners Srikandi and Spright. His return down under has been eagerly-anticipated and he will spearhead the travelling contingent.

"We are delighted to be able to confirm that Wootton Bassett is returning in 2024," Tom Magnier said. "He is now having his first runners in Europe following his move to Coolmore and they could not have started more strongly with Camille Pissarro (Ire) winning so impressively in Ireland on Saturday for Aidan

O'Brien."

Magnier added, "Given the reception his first yearlings received in the sale ring here this year we have every confidence they will be able to match their European success on the track here in the coming months."

Also returning to the Hunter Valley this season is the 2021 European Horse of the Year, St Mark's Basilica (Fr). Breeders will have the opportunity to access his bloodline at a reduced fee of \$38,500 (inc GST).

St Mark's Basilica landed the G1 Prix du Jockey Club, the G1 Irish Champion S., the G1 Eclipse S., the G1 Dewhurst S., and the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains.

Also on the list returning shuttlers is Churchill (Ire). The champion miler by Galileo (Ire) will stand for a fee of \$19,800 (inc GST). Churchill is responsible for 19 stakes winners worldwide, including three Group 1 winners. Four of his stakes winners have come in the Southern Hemisphere, headed by one of his Group 1 winners Attrition, who won the G1 Toorak H. and was placed in the G1 Australian Guineas.

The son of the legendary Galileo (Ire) has also sired runners the calibre of Blue Rose Cen (Ire), a four-time Group 1 winner and the brilliant colt Vadeni (Fr). Churchill has covered 747 mares in his six Southern Hemisphere seasons.

He will be joined by the proven Starspangledbanner, who covered 116 mares in 2023, and will command a fee of \$44,000 this year.

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**Tom Magnier** | *Tattersalls* 

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# SHISHKIN EUTHANISED AFTER STABLE ACCIDENT



**Shishkin** | Racingfotos.com

Trainer Nicky Henderson took to social media late Sunday night to announce the passing of stable star **Shishkin (Ire)** (Sholokhov {Ire}) after getting cast in his stable and fracturing a hind leg.

The multiple Grade 1-winner had been scheduled to leave for Punchestown Monday morning for a tilt at the G1 Ladbrokes Punchestown Gold Cup. Shishkin had launched his 2024 season victoriously with a trip to the winner's enclosure Feb. 10 in the G2Betfair Denman Chase and had last been seen running fourth Apr. 11 in the G1 William Hill Bowl Chase.

"Tragically, we have lost Shishkin this evening after he got cast in his stable and fractured his hind leg," the statement on X from Henderson began. "Everyone involved with Seven Barrows, particularly his owners, Joe and Marie Donnelly, Jaydon, Nico and George are obviously devastated that such a great horse, friend, and warrior is gone."

"He was due to leave for Punchestown tomorrow morning, but sadly this now not to be. He was an absolute superstar and his CV is testament to that--except the King George is not in it even though we believe it should have been..."

Henderson ended with, "This is a very sad night. He was our star, and we will never forget him. Thank you Shishkin for the wonderful memories."

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## **OBSERVATIONS**

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# FRANKEL SON OF POLYDREAM DEBUTS AT CHANTILLY

**15.40** Chantilly, Debutantes, €27,000, 3yo, c/g, 10 1/2fT POLYSPEED (IRE) (Frankel {GB}) is a significant runner for the Wertheimers, being the first foal out of their G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest heroine Polydream (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}). In the hands of Christophe Ferland, he faces a notable Juddmonte purchase in Pergamon (Fr) (Frankel {GB}), an Andre Fabretrained son of the G2 Rockfel S. winner Spain Burg (Fr) (Sageburg {Ire}) who cost €450,000 at the Arqana Deauville August Yearling Sale.

16.50 Chantilly, Debutantes, €27,000, 3yo, f, 10 1/2fT EARENDEL (IRE) (Galileo {Ire}) is another Andre Fabre newcomer with serious upside, being a daughter of the Niarchos Family's G1 Matron S. heroine Fiesolana (Ire) (Aussie Rules). Responsible for Galileo's multiple group-placed Up Helly Aa (Ire), her latest progeny faces 12 peers tackling the Prix de Diane course and distance.

18.50 Naas, Mdn, €12,500, 3yo, f, 10f 84yT

TRANQUILLITATIS (GB) (Kingman {GB}) is another Niarchos blueblood to make her first start on the day, being a half-sister to the G3 Ballysax S. winner and G1 Irish Derby runner-up Piz Badile (Ire) (Ulysses {Ire}). Also trained by Donnacha O'Brien, the granddaughter of Shiva (Jpn) (Hector Protector) encounters Frank and Luke Barry's Realt Na Ri (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), a Jessica Harrington-trained half-sister to the G1 Phoenix S. and G1 Matron S. heroine La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}) whose 3-year-old colt Sardinian Warrior (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}) was a winner on Sunday.

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# FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Monday, 29 April, 2024
UNITED KINGDOM
Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud
83 foals of racing age
14:15-AYR, 5f, Far Above Mary (Ire)
£32,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

#### **IRELAND**

**King of Change (GB)** (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 47 foals of racing age

1-NAAS, 6f, Transcending (Ire)

36,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

## BRITAIN

## Sunday's Results:

**3rd-Southwell, £27,500, Novice**, 4-28, 3yo, 8f 13y (AWT), 1:40.28, st.

SARDINIAN WARRIOR (IRE) (c, 3, Saxon Warrior {Jpn}--La Collina (Ire) (MG1SW-Ire, \$471,724), by Strategic Prince (GB)), runner-up on debut at Kempton in December, enjoyed a lead throughout the early stages. Green when left in front before two out, the 7-4 favourite stayed on to score by 4 1/2 lengths from T'Challa (GB) (Kingman {GB}). The dam, who captured the G1 Phoenix S. and G1 Matron S., is one of five black-type winners out of Starfish (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) including the G3 Rose of Lancaster S. winner Foxes Tales (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}) and the Listed Steventon S. winner and G2 York S. runner-up Fox Chairman (Ire) (Kingman (GB)). Starfish is kin to the G3 Chester Vase runner-up Icon Dream (Ire) by Galileo's sire Sadler's Wells, while this is also the family of the G1 Irish Oaks heroine Wemyss Bight (GB) (Dancing Brave), the G1 July Cup hero and leading sire Oasis Dream (GB) and the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Zenda (GB) (Zamindar) whose son Kingman (GB) needs no introduction. La Collina's 2-year-old is a full-sister to Sardinian Warrior named La Capriola (Ire). Sales history: 200,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$20,724. O-Marc Chan; B-Kenilworth House Stud (IRE); T-John & Thady Gosden.

**1st-Wetherby,** £**8,000, Novice**, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:17.73, sf.

DANIELLE (GB) (f, 3, Cracksman {GB}--Crimson Ribbon, by Lemon Drop Kid), a half-sister to last year's G1 Gold Cup hero Courage Mon Ami (GB) (Frankel {GB}), had been third behind the leading 2000 Guineas contender Night Raider (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) at Southwell in December and runner-up on her return at Chelmsford earlier this month, followed the early leader. Taking control with three furlongs remaining, the 4-7 favourite galloped clear for a 12-length success without being asked a question in the race the stable won five years ago with the eventual G2 Hardwicke S. scorer Fanny Logan (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}). "We thought she'd be a decent filly on turf and we were pretty sure she would handle the ground, as she's got quite a wide gait on her as a lot of those Cracksmans have," jockey Robert Havlin said.

"She was still quickening up going through the line, so I was very impressed. She'll stay a mile and a half, no problem. I think that's probably where the boss will be looking to go the next day and let's hope she can keep improving." The dam, who also produced four other black-type performers alongside the star stayer Courage Mon Ami headed by the year-older listedwinning TDN Rising Star Lion's Pride (GB) (Roaring Lion), is a full-sister to the G2 Jockey Club S. and G2 Hardwicke S. winner Bronze Cannon and the GIII My Charmer H. scorer Valiant Girl as well as a half to the G2 King Edward VII S. scorer Across The Stars (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}). Also connected to the GII San Marcos H. winner and GI Hollywood Turf Cup-placed Prize Giving (GB) (Most Welcome {GB}) and the GI Yellow Ribbon Invitational S. and GI Beverly Hills H. heroine Alpride (Ire) (Alzao), her 2-year-old filly by Golden Horn (GB) is named Safe And Sound (GB) while she also has a yearling filly by Time Test (GB). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$11,034.

O-Mr A E Oppenheimer; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-John & Thady Gosden.

#### **HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**4th-Southwell,** £**75,000**, 4-28, 4yo/up, 16f 102y (AWT), 3:37.97, st.

PRYDWEN (IRE) (g, 6, Camelot {GB}--Honey Hunter {Ire}, by Shamardal) Lifetime Record: 26-8-2-4, \$275,392. O-Blue Starr Racing; B-Honey Hunter Syndicate (IRE); T-George Scott. \*€30,000 Ylg '19 GOFOR. \*\*1/2 to Comanche Country (Ire) (Highland Reel {Ire}), GSW-US, \$267,787.

#### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Twisted Tiara (Ire), f, 3, Ribchester (Ire)--Aneedah (Ire) (SP-Eng), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Bath, 4-28, 5f 160yT, 1:15.39. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$6,070. B-Karis Bloodstock Ltd & Rathbarry Stud (IRE). \*20,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. \*\*1/2 to Gorgeous Noora (Ire) (Raven's Pass), SW-Eng, \$107,890.

Own Accord (GB), f, 4, Pivotal (GB)--Volition (Ire), by Dark Angel (Ire). Wetherby, 4-28, 7fT, 1:34.47. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,954. B-Cheveley Park Stud Limited (GB).



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## **FRANCE**

## Sunday's Results:

**PRIX DE L'AVRE-Listed**, €55,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-28, 3yo, 12fT, 2:37.01, vsf.

1--TRAFALGAR SQUARE (FR), 128, g, 3, by Kendargent (Fr)
1st Dam: See You Always (GB), by Siyouni (Fr)
2nd Dam: Elegant Times (Ire), by Dansili (GB)
3rd Dam: Simply Times, by Dodge

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**. (€80,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG). O-Ecurie Hugo et Pierre Pilarski & Gousserie Racing; B-Ecurie X (FR); T-Patrice Cottier; J-Mickael Barzalona. €27,500. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 8-3-3-2, €96,050. \*1/2 to Times Square (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}), SW & MG1SP-Fr, \$248,151; and Times Boulevard (Fr) (Shalaa {Ire}), GSP-Fr.

- 2--Mister Gatz (Fr), 128, c, 3, Adlerflug (Ger)--Kanel (Fr), by Zamindar. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand, Mathieu Boutin, Stephanie Nigge, Ecurie Penelope Leprevost, Gerard Thomas Ryan, Mme Laurence Baudouin & Mme Marie-France Bertella; B-Mathieu Boutin (FR); T-Stephanie Nigge. €11,000.
- 3--Talise (Fr), 128, c, 3, Cracksman (GB)--Inner Sea, by Henrythenavigator. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. (€40,000 Ylg '22 BBAGS). O-Daniel Macauliffe & Anoj Don; B-Ecurie de Cachene (FR); T-Christopher Head. €8,250.

Margins: 2, SHD, 3. Odds: 4.10, 2.40, 6.60.

Also Ran: Roadshow (Ire), Anspruch (Ire), Shahbazi (Ger), Yoox (Ire), Belsiana (GB). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

Trafalgar Square, first or placed in all seven prior starts, lined up for this coming back off third-place finishes in Saint-Cloud's Mar. 16 Listed Prix Michel Houyvet and this venue's Apr. 14 G3 Prix Noailles last time.



Trafalgar Square | Scoop Dyga

The 41-10 chance raced off the tempo in fifth through the initial stages and was shuffled back to sixth at halfway. Making relentless headway once into the straight, he swooped for control entering the final furlong and drew off late to claim a career high.

"We were slightly disapointed last time out for his first run in Paris, but maybe the ground was too heavy," said Gousserie Racing's Pauline Cheboub. "He has bounced back nicely and we are not surprised as he has always shown quality. He is one we counted on at the start of the season for races from 10 to 12 furlongs. We are delighted to be partners with Mr Pilarski, who is a charming man. We will savour this win before comitting to anything, but obviously it will be in Paris in a Group race."

Trafalgar Square, who becomes the 43rd black-type winner for his sire, is one of three stakes performers out of the unraced See You Always (GB) (Siyouni {Fr}). The March-foaled bay is a half-brother to stakes-winning G1 Prix Marcel Boussac and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches placegetter Times Square (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}), G3 Prix Thomas Bryon third Times Boulevard (Fr) (Shalaa {Ire}) and the unraced 2-year-old filly Porte Molitor (Fr) (Taj Mahal {Ire}). Descendants of Trafalgar Square's third dam Simply Times (Dodge) include G1 Irish Derby hero Latrobe (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) and dual Grade I-winning distaffer Newspaperofrecord (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}).

#### PRIX MAURICE ZILBER - FONDS EUROPEEN DE

**L'ELEVAGE-Listed**, €48,000, ParisLongchamp, 4-28, 4yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:21.28, vs.

- 1--SEA OF THIEVES (GB), 123, f, 4, Cracksman (GB)--Grande Bleue (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Brightwalton Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Mario Baratti; J-Cristian Demuro. €24,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, €42,206.
- 2--Exxtra (Fr), 123, f, 4, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Rolling Stone (Ire), by Raven's Pass. (€26,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT; €150,000 RNA HRA '22 ARQDEC). O-Anja Wilde; B-I Corbani & SARL Jedburgh Stud (FR); T-Carlos & Yann Lerner. €9,600.

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3--Oujda (Fr), 123, f, 4, Sioux Nation--La Conseillante, by Elusive Quality. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Youssef Houar; B-SCEA du Grand Chene (FR); T-Mario Baratti. €7,200.

Margins: NK, SNK, 1 1/4. Odds: 14.20, 3.10, 8.70.
Also Ran: Belle Et Grise (Ire), Shades Of Summer (Ire), Knock On (Fr), Aversa (Fr), Embrace (Ire), Tairann (GB), A Taste Of Honey (GB). Scratched: Habana (Ger). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

Formerly trained by Ed Walker, Sea Of Thieves had been sixth in Ascot's G3 Valiant S. on her sole try at black-type in July but hit the jackpot on her debut effort for the Mario Baratti yard also responsible for the third Oujda for good measure. **Cont.** 

Restrained initially to race in mid-division, the homebred was angled out for her run in early straight and stayed on stoutly to rob Exxtra and her stablemate in the dying yards. "Her ownerbreeder sent me this filly to try to get some black-type and it is mission accomplished on her first run," Baratti said. "She is tough and I think she will stay further, a mile for sure."

The dam, who is kin to the G3 Prix du Bois winner Snowday (Fr) (Falco) and the Listed Prix Ronde de Nuit scorer Okana (GB) (Zamindar), is a granddaughter of Mr. Prospector's Soundings whose progeny list is headed by the G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine Pas De Response (Danzig) and the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains and G1 Prix d'Ispahan-winning sire Green Tune. Grande Bleue's 2-year-old colt Adversary (GB) (Pinatubo {Ire}) was a £90,000 purchase by Clive Cox Racing at the Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale, while she also has a yearling colt by Time Test (GB).

## **GERMANY**

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

**ALTANO-RENNEN-Listed**, €25,000, Hoppegarten, 4-28, 4yo/up, 14fT, 2:57.68, gd.

- 1--WALDADLER (GER), 128, h, 5, Adlerflug (Ger)--Waldblume (Ger), by Halling. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€9,000 Ylg '20 BBAGS). O-Stall Kalifornia; B-Gestut Sommerberg (GER); T-Pavel Vovcenko; J-Sybille Vogt. €15,000. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ger, 22-3-5-3, €64,550. \*1/2 to Waldblumchen (Ger) (Sea The Moon {Ger}), SP-Fr.
- 2--Nastaria (GB), 127, m, 5, Outstrip (GB)--Cinta (GB), by Monsun (Ger). (€8,000 Ylg '20 BBAGS; €15,000 Ylg '20 BBAGO). O/T-Anna Schleusner-Fruhriep; B-Mme Mette Campbell-Andenaes (GB). €5,000.
- 3--Crystal Estrella (GB), 125, m, 5, Iffraaj (GB)--Crystal Etoile (GB), by Dansili (GB). (275,000gns 3yo '22 TATJUL). O-Team Valor; B-Southcourt Stud (GB)-T-Andreas Wohler. €3,125. Margins: 3, NK, 2. Odds: 2.60, 9.80, 2.50.

Also Ran: Magic Merlin (Fr), Lips Prince (Ire), Wedding In May (Ger), Lotterbov (Ire), Lips Freedom (Ger), Garmona (Cze).

**1st-Hoppegarten**, €**10,000**, Mdn, 4-28, 3yo, 8fT, 1:41.02, gd. **HOPE AND BELIEVE (IRE) (f, 3, Make Believe {GB}--Hazama {Ire}, by Azamour {Ire})** was the last of eight into stride and bounded forward to race fourth after the opening exchanges of this debut. Turning for home in third, the 17-10 second choice was stoked up with 500 metres remaining and stayed on relentlessly under continued urging inside the final quarter mile to deny Rabastero (GB) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) by a half-length nearing the line. Hope And Believe, half to a 2-year-old filly by Ribchester (Ire), is the second of three foals and first scorer



Make Believe | Ballylinch Stud

produced by a half-sister to the dam of G3 Prix Texanita third Haziym (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). Her second dam Haziyna (Ire) (Halling), runner-up in the G3 Give Thanks S., is kin to four stakes winners headed by G1 Derby and G1 Irish Derby hero Harzand (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and G3 Silver Flash victrix and G1 Moyglare Stud S. third Harasiya (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}). Harasiya is the second dam of last term's G1 Queen Elizabeth S. winner Big Rock (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}). Sales history: €5,000 Wlg '21 GOFNOV; €61,000 Ylg '22 BBAGO. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €6,000.

O-Stall Route 66 / Partner 3.0; B-R Dore & P Reynolds (IRE); T-Andreas Wohler.

**2nd-Hoppegarten,** €**10,000, Mdn**, 4-28, 3yo, f, 9fT, 1:54.33, gd. DURAS (GER) (f, 3, Sea The Moon {Ger}--Dynastie {Ger}, by Sinndar (Ire)), originally named Dagmar (Ger), broke in midfield and remained there for most of this unveiling. Scrubbed along approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 5-2 second favourite quickened into second with 300 metres remaining and kept on strongly to nail Fang Mich (Ger) (Starspangledbanner (Aus)) by a nose on the line. Duras is the latest of three foals, all winners, produced by a dual-winning daughter of G2 German 1000 Guineas heroine Diacada (Ger) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), herself a half-sister to G3 Grosser Preis von Berlin victrix Desidera (Ire) (Shaadi) and the dual stakes-winning Diable (GB) (Big Shuffle). Descendants of the February-foaled bay's stakes-winning third dam Diasprina (Ger) (Aspros {Ger}) include GI Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup hero Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) and stakes-winning G1 Deutsches Derby runner-up Dickens (Ger) (Kallisto {Ger}). Sales history: €38,000 Ylg '22 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €6,000. O-Stall Mandarin; B-Volker Kaufling (GER); T-Andreas Wohler.



Sea the Moon | Lanwades

**1st-Krefeld,** €**10,000, Mdn**, 4-28, 3yo, 11fT, 2:23.42, g/s. ANY MOON (GER) (c, 3, Sea The Moon {Ger}--Anatola {Ger} **(SW-Ger), by Tiger Hill (Ire))**, who was on edge during a lengthy loading process, was slowly into stride and raced in rear passing the judge first time. Moving into contention on thr home turn, the 3-1 second favourite bounded to the fore approaching the two pole and extended his margin of superiority under whipless urging inside the final quarter-mile to stop the clock with a sixlength buffer back to Tiamo Hilleshage (Ger) (Adlerflug (Ger)). Any Moon is the 10th of 11 foals and sixth scorer produced by the stakes-winning Anatola (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}), whose leading lights are G1 Melbourne Cup and G1 Tancred S. hero Almandin (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and G2 Gerling-Preis victor Atempo (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Anatola, who has a yearling colt by Guiliani (Ire) to come, is a half-sister to unbeaten G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) heroine Amarette (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}). Descendants of Amarette include G1 Criterium International-winning sire Alson (Ger) (Areion {Ger}) and G2 German 2000 Guineas hero Ancient Spirit (Ger) (Invincible Spirit (Ire)). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0,

O/B-Gestut Schlenderhan (GER); T-Markus Klug.

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Dark Defence (Ire), c, 3, National Defense (GB)--Dark Ray (Ire) (Hwt. Older Mare 9 1/2 to 11f & SW-Ity, \$140,296, by Dark Angel (Ire). Rome, 4-28, Listed Premio Botticelli, €48,400, 2100mT, 2:06.50, gd. O-Marcialis Elisabetta. B-Allev. La Nuova Sbarra Srl (IRE). T-Convertino Pierantonio. \*1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. Chart and Video.

## WORLDWIDE NEWS

## **GOLDEN SIXTY MAGIC RUNS DRY AT SOGGY**

**SHA TIN** by Alan Carasso

HONG KONG, CHINA--Relentless rains in Hong Kong's New Territories over the last week gave way to a rare dry day on Saturday, offering a sliver of hope that Sunday's FWD Champions Day meeting might take place on a surface that was sufficiently sound or at least drying out so as to leave a reasonably even playing field.

The precipitation was back in the overnight hours on Sunday, never really more than a steady shower, but enough to turn the Sha Tin turf officially yielding. Three-time Hong Kong Horse of the Year **Golden Sixty (Aus)** (Medaglia d'Oro) was in search of a fourth straight success in the G1 FWD Champions Mile, but he had done his best work on quick tracks, his lone previous effort over a surface this affected by rain coming when a distant third in the G1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup over 2000 metres in 2022.

Sent away as the \$1.50 favourite nevertheless and racing first-up since his breathtaking win in December's G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile, the 8-year-old was poised turning in, but it was clear he was struggling to accelerate and he stayed on only at one pace to finish fourth to front-running **Beauty Eternal (Aus)** (Starspangledbanner {Aus}).

"He ran well. The ground was not in our favour," jockey Vincent Ho reported. "When I hit the straight, I could already feel he could not pick up with his usual turn of foot. I know it's a bit difficult. It is what it is, we can't fight the weather. I was in a great position and everything was close to the speed, but still we couldn't improve on that ground." Cont.



Beauty Eternal | HKJC photo



**Beauty Eternal** | Horsephotos

Beaten horses typically exit the track at a gap about 150 metres past the winning post, but Golden Sixty made his way back under the wire and towards the path normally reserved for the winner. And the Sha Tin faithful welcomed him back warmly, cheering him despite finishing outside the top three for just the second time in his 31-race career. With a formal decision yet to be taken, trainer Francis Lui told South China *Morning Post* that Golden Sixty had likely run his final race.

"Yes, I think [that is his final run]--probably," Lui told the publication. We'll discuss with the owner, but he's nine next year."

On a day when it was imperative to be on or near the early pace, Beauty Eternal came across from gate 11 to make the running, with Golden Sixty handy and covered up from fourth. Ho wheeled out Golden Sixty and came to win the race, but ultimately just spun his wheels to settle for fourth.

Said Purton, who piloted the winner in three of Golden Sixty's five career losses and whose celebration crossing the line was noticeably subdued: "There was no speed in the race, which gave us the opportunity to lead. The last thing I said to [trainer] John [Size] before the race was, 'I think the going is a lot better on the fence', he just got into a lovely rhythm and controlled the race and I thought the only chance I had to beat Golden Sixty was to try to put a gap on them and see how we went and today was his day."

Size, now a four-time Champions Mile winner, also saddled **Red Lion (Ire)** (Belardo {Ire}), owned by former HKJC chairman Ronald Arculli. **Voyage Bubble (Aus)** (Deep Field {Aus}), who won the G1 Stewards Cup in Golden Sixty's absence in January and was runner-up in this year's Gold Cup ahead of a forgettable trip to Dubai, was third. The top four placegetters ran in that order throughout.

## **Pedigree Notes:**

Beauty Eternal is a seventh international Group 1 winner for Starspangledbanner, whose son California Spangle (Ire) was a gallant runner-up in Sunday's G1 Chairman's Sprint Prize. Hailing from the family of 2008 G1 Racing Post Trophy hero Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest), Beauty Eternal has a 3-year-old full-brother and his dam, who has not produced a foal since, was most recently served by Home Affairs (Aus).

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong FWD CHAMPIONS MILE-G1**, HK\$22,000,000, Sha Tin, 4-28, 3yo/up, 1600mT, 1:34.52, yl.

1--BEAUTY ETERNAL (AUS), 126, g, 5, by Starspangledbanner (Aus)
1st Dam: Ithacan Queen (NZ), by Savabeel (Aus)
2nd Dam: Bering Island (Ire), by Bering (GB)
3rd Dam: Wiener Wald, by Woodman

**1ST GROUP 1 WIN**. (A\$90,000 Ylg '20 INGFEB). O-Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen; B-P Raftopolous (Vic); T-John Size; J-Zac Purton; HK\$12,320,000. Lifetime Record: 17-9-3-3, HK\$35,741,325. \*1/2 to Love Sensation (Aus) (Night of Thunder {Ire}), GSP-Aus, \$170,606. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & **5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.** 

- 2--Red Lion (Ire), 126, g, 5, Belardo (Ire)--Crystal Idea (Ire), by Namid. (€7,000 Ylg '20 TATDEC; £240,000 RNA HRA '22 GOFLON). O-The Hon Ronald Arculli GBM GBS JP & Johanna K J Arculli BBS; B-P Harney; T-John Size; J-Hugh Bowman; HK\$4,620,000.
- 3--**Voyage Bubble (Aus)**, 126, g, 5, Deep Field (Aus)--Raheights, by Rahy. (A\$300,000 Ylg '20 INGFEB). O-Sunshine and Moonlight Syndicate; B-Torryburn Stud (NSW); T-Ricky Yiu; J-James McDonald; HK\$2,530,000.

Margins: 1HF, NK, 1HF. Odds: 11-1, 29-1, 5-1.

Also Ran: Golden Sixty (Aus), Galaxy Patch (Aus), Taj Dragon (Ire), Beauty Joy (Aus), Elton Barows (Jpn), Brave Emperor (Ire), Obamburumai (Jpn), Champagne Color (Jpn). Click for the HKJC chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.

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With one Hong Kong legend on his way to retirement, Peter Lau's **Romantic Warrior (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}) took another step towards cementing his own legacy, becoming the first to take the G1 FWD QE II Cup on three occasions under a masterful steer from James McDonald.

Three deep into the first turn from a high draw, Romantic Warrior was hung out to dry without cover before McDonald tapped on the brakes just enough to allow the 6-year-old to slot in on the back of **Sword Point (Aus)** (American Pharoah) in the two path with about 1200 metres to travel. **Cont.** 



**Romantic Warrior** | *HKJC* 

Seconds later, Yuga Kawada set last year's runner-up

Prognosis (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn})--who spotted his rivals a
good four lengths at the break--alight, zooming up outside of
rivals to be a forward factor, as his compatriot North Bridge
(Jpn) (Maurice {Jpn}) was on an all-the-way mission up front.

Appearing to spin his wheels in the rain-affected going passing
the 600-metre marker, Romantic Warrior followed the
four-wide move of Prognosis into the Sha Tin straight, was
produced on the grandstand side with a furlong and a half to
race and prevailed in a war of attrition to the wire.

"I'm speechless--he's awesome," said McDonald, whose other top-level scores atop Romantic Warrior include the Cox Plate, Longines Hong Kong Cup and Hong Kong Gold Cup. "He was beaten at the 600m, he just finds a way. It's incredible. I dead-set didn't have one thing go my way. I had 10 riders dead-set against me and the horse. I just had no favours.

"He is incredible. There wasn't one part of the race I was happy with, to be honest with you," McDonald continued. "Going out (of the straight) the first time, I was deep, but I was in a rhythm but not in a good spot. 1000m from home, I was finally having a rest and one took off and at the 600, he was off the bridle and struggling in the ground a tad and he just picks up. I'm just in disbelief."

The Australian-based Kiwi is booked to ride the Hong Kong International Sale graduate and virtual lock for Horse of the Year in the G1 Yasuda Kinen in Tokyo in early June.

"Japan will be next, we want to go there but our first priority is to see how the horse is," trainer Danny Shum said. "When he came in, he seemed a bit tired. It wasn't an easy run, James said make sure the horse is sound and then we'll schedule him in."

"He ran a good race, he always tried and James did a good job. We all love this horse. He always tries his best. Today, no horses could lock him in--he just wouldn't stop trying." "James ran a good race not to rush him, keep him balanced and keep all his momentum."

Second choice **Massive Sovereign (Ire)** (No Nay Never) failed to build on his win in last month's BMW Hong Kong Derby in eighth, one spot in back of European raider **Dubai Honour (Ire)** (Pride of Dubai {Aus}).

"He just didn't handle the going and was gone at the 1200 (metres)," his jockey Zac Purton said.

## **Pedigree Notes:**

Romantic Warrior, a 300,000gns Tattersalls October grad and the most successful horse to emerge from the Hong Kong International Sale, is one of three winners from four to the races for his dam, a daughter of the English listed-winning and Group 3-placed, G2 Prix Jean Romanet and GI E. P. Taylor S. winner Folk Opera, who was purchased by Blandford Bloodstock carrying to Exceed and Excel (Aus) for €82,000 at the 2016 Goffs November Sale. The in-utero purchase, named Melodic Charm (Ire), was sold for 85,000gns at the 2018 Tattersalls October Sale and was a two-time winner at the races for Saeed Manana and James Tate before clearly benefitting from the success of Romantic Warrior when selling to the China Horse Club for 270,000gns in foal to Dark Angel (Ire) at last year's Tattersalls December Mares Sale.

Folk Melody is also the dam of the 3-year-old colt Operation Gimcrack (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}) and a yearling colt by the same stallion that was bought back for 110,000gns at last year's Tattersalls October Sale. Folk Star (GB) (Le Havre {Ire}), a David Simcock-trained half-sister to Folk Melody who won her maiden at Kempton Nov. 6 and was a narrowly beaten second in a Lingfield handicap Nov. 25, was knocked down to Kildaragh Stud for 37,000gns at the 2023 Tattersalls December Sale. Folk Melody is additionally the dam of a weanling colt by New Bay (GB).

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong FWD QE II CUP-G1**, HK\$28,000,000, Sha Tin, 4-28, 3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:01.02, yl.

1--ROMANTIC WARRIOR (IRE), 126, g, 6, by Acclamation (GB)
1st Dam: Folk Melody (Ire), by Street Cry (Ire)
2nd Dam: Folk Opera (Ire), by Singspiel (Ire)
3rd Dam: Skiphall (GB), by Halling

(300,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; HK\$4,800,000 HRA '21 HKJUN). O-Peter Lau Pak Fai; B-Corduff Stud & T J Rooney; T-Danny Shum-; J-James McDonald; HK\$15,680,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. 4yo, 2x. Ch. Middle Distance Horse-HK, G1SW-Aus, 19-14-3-0, HK\$142,756.024. Werk Nick Rating: C+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--**Prognosis (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Velda (GB), by Observatory. O-Shadai Race Horse Co Ltd; B-Shadai Farm; T-Mitsu Nakauchida; J-Yuga Kawada; HK\$5,880,000.
- 3--North Bridge (Jpn), 126, h, 6, Maurice (Jpn)--Amazing Moon (Jpn), by Admire Moon (Jpn). (¥34,560,000 Ylg '19 JBBAJUL). O-Noboru Iyama; B-Murata Bokujo; T-Takeshi Okumura; J-Yasunari Iwata; HK\$3,220,000.

Margins: NK, 2, 3/4. Odds: 9-10, 22-5, 103-1.

Also Ran: Happy Together (Ire), Hishi Iguazu (Jpn), Five G Patch (Ire), Dubai Honour (Ire), Massive Sovereign (Ire), Nimble Nimbus (NZ), Straight Arron (Aus), Sword Point (Aus). Click for the HKJC chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.

## Invincible Sage Ends Group 1 Dry Spell For Hall

The absence of Lucky Sweynesse (NZ) (Sweynesse {Aus}) left G1 Al Quoz Sprint hero California Spangle (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) a warm favourite in the G1 Chairman's Sprint Prize, but Invincible Sage (Aus) (Thronum {Aus}) wore that one down late to give Melbourne Cup-winning trainer David Hall his first Hong Kong Group 1 winner in 17 years.

Exiting a runner-up effort to the reigning champion sprinter in the G2 Sprint Cup Apr. 7, the 4-year-old jumped well from gate five and took up a spot just being the leaders, headed by **Victor the Winner (Aus)** (Toronado {Ire}), who was kept company by California Spangle and his G1 Takamatsunomiya Kinen conqueror **Mad Cool (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}). The latter's three-wide run came to an abrupt halt nearing the straight, and California Spangle put it to Victor the Winner approaching the 200-metre mark, but Invincible Sage had the move covered and did the better work of the two to the line.

"It's been a long time between drinks, of course," said Hall, who not only sent out Makybe Diva (GB) to win the 'race that stops a nation' in 2003, but also handled Silent Witness (Aus) before he became all the rage in Hong Kong. "As everybody says, this is what you get out of bed for in the mornings. It's been a bit of a drought for us at the top level so this is certainly a very satisfying win."

Invincible Sage was having his first start at Group 1 level, but his ability to handle a wet track was evident when winning three straight in soft ground at Caulfield and Flemington pre-import.

## **Pedigree Notes:**

Invincible Sage is the first black-type winner of any variety for his sire, a son of Snitzel (Aus) who was victorious at Group 2 level and narrowly beaten in the 2018 G1 William Reid S.

The winner's dam, a full-sister to Group 2 scorer Diamond Tathagata (Aus) and a half to the dual listed winner Ancestry (Aus) (The Brothers War), is also responsible for the 2-year-old



**Invincible Sage** | *HKJC* 

filly Eight Gorillas (Aus) (Fiorente {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Snitzel's four-times Group 1-winning son Trapeze Artist (Aus).

**Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong CHAIRMAN'S SPRINT PRIZE-G1**, HK\$22,000,000, Sha Tin, 4-28, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:09.33, yl.

- 1--INVINCIBLE SAGE (AUS), 126, g, 4, by Thronum (Aus)
  1st Dam: Thorsborne (Aus), by Hinchinbrook (Aus)
  2nd Dam: Maltese (Aus), by Tale of the Cat
  3rd Dam: Marwell Lady (Aus), by Lord Seymour (Ire)
  1ST GROUP WIN, 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (A\$200,000 Ylg '21
  INGMAR). O-22/23 David Hall Trainer Syndicate; B-Sun
  Bloodstock (Vic); T-David Hall; J-Hugh Bowman;
  HK\$12,320,000. Lifetime Record: 19-7-4-4, HK\$24,593,190.
  \*Formerly Thron Bone (Aus). Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.
- 2--California Spangle (Ire), 216, g, 6, Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Pearlitas Passion (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). (€150,000 Ylg '19 GOFORB). O-The Executors of the Estate of the Late Howard Liang Yum Shing; B-M Enright; T-Tony Cruz; J-Brenton Avdulla; HK\$4,620,000.
- 3--Mugen (Aus), 126, g, 5, Deep Field (Aus)--Little Favours (Aus), by Falvelon (Aus). (A\$160,000 Ylg '20 INGMAR). 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE. O-Infinitude Syndicate; B-Catalina Pastoral Pty Ltd (Vic); T-Pierre Ng; J-Blake Shinn; HK\$2,530,000.

Margins: 1HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 59-10, 7-5, 44-5.
Also Ran: Flying Ace (NZ), Howdeepisyourlove (Aus), Lucky With You (Aus), Victor the Winner (Aus), Little Brose (Aus), Believing (Ire), Sunrise Ronaldo (Jpn), Mad Cool (Ire). Click for the HKJC chart, PPs and sectional timing. VIDEO.



HKJC CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges | HKJC

## **CEO PRAISES EFFORTS TO PULL OFF CHAMPIONS DAY**

Despite rainfall in excess of 250 millimetres, or nearly 10 inches, during the week, Sunday's FWD Champions Day meeting came off without a hitch, as local horses took home the lion's share of the HK\$72 million on offer.

"They did an extraordinary job, with these types of weather conditions, the ground was extremely fair and it enabled all the horses to participate," HKJC CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges said of the track maintenance team. "Nobody could believe that with over 250mm of rain how well our track performed and provided fair going on which to compete.

"To have three Hong Kong winners in the international races is something is that is very satisfying and a great achievement especially when you consider we have a population of 1,200 horses and to be able to compete and succeed on the international stage shows the determination of the Club and our owners and that should make Hong Kong proud."

Engelbrecht-Bresges said that among Sunday's attendees were over 5,100 from Mainland China, a number he deemed 'exceptional.'

Despite lower attendance figures and the impact of wet conditions, turnover for the meeting was HK\$1.56 billion (£159.1 million/US\$198.9 million), fractionally lower than 2023, according to South China Morning Post.

The Club also announced that prize money for three of its Group 1 races would increase for next season. The G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile goes from HK\$32 million to HK\$36 million, the Longines Hong Kong Cup gets a HK\$4-million boost to HK\$40 million and the 2025 Champions Mile will be run for HK\$24 million, up from HK\$22 million.

"The prize money increases demonstrate the Club's commitment to adequately rewarding both the Hong Kong and international owners vying for success in three of our top races," said Andrew Harding, executive director of racing for the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

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## TO ROYAL SHOWS THEM HIS HEELS IN THE **TENNO SHO SPRING**

In his first victory at the highest level, T O Royal (Jpn) (Leontes {Jpn}) swept to the lead and never looked back, leaving the race for second in the G1 Tenno Sho Spring in Kyoto on Sunday.

Coming into the contest with two Group victories from as many jumps in 2024, by name the G3 Diamond S. Feb. 17 and G2 Hanshin Daishoten S. Mar. 17, T O Royal had redemption to claim, having finished third in the 2022 edition of the G1 Tenno Sho Spring S. held at Hanshin.

Jumping well, the field watched as Materro Leo (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) hustled to the front to lead the marathon turf contest. T O Royal took up position sharing fourth with Savona (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}) to that one's outside and found himself wide around the initial bend going by the grandstand for the first time. As they settled in for the trip, Matenro Leo had opened up a several length lead on the field heading into the second turn, and the runners largely kept position save for 198-1 longshot Hapi (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}), who was pulled up out of the race on that bend.

With 1100 metres left to run, Matenro Leo's advantage was shortening and **Deep Bond (Jpn)** (Kizuna {Jpn}) briefly took over by the time they swung into the homestretch as the longtime leader threw out the white flag. It was about then that TO Royal, too, launched his bid, and the eventual winner inhaled his rivals from three off the fence, his margin expanding as they passed the 200 metre mark.

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T O Royal | JRA

Deep Bond tried to break his three-year runner-up record in the contest, but could not catch the winner, and was eventually overtaken for second by **Blow The Horn (Jpn)** (Epiphaneia {Jpn}), who marked the fastest last three furlongs in the process. With the two-length triumph here, T O Royal has now won three Group races in succession.

"[T O Royal] raced in good rhythm and responded well going downhill after the third corner. So, we were able to turn the last corner comfortably, and slip out of the pack with ease," commented Yuji Hishida, who claimed his first Group 1 victory as well. "I'm really happy to have won this race because I decided to become a jockey when I saw this race 20 years ago."

## **Pedigree Notes:**

Kicking off what could be a memorable week for owner Tomoya Ozasa, who will be represented by Road to the Kentucky Derby qualifier T O Password (Jpn) (Copano Rickey {Jpn}) in the GI Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 4, T O Royal is his dam's second multiple Group-winning offspring behind Meisho Hario (Jpn) (Pyro), who also tallied placings in the G1 February S. and G1 Tokyo Daishoten to his credit. That pair also claims a winning eldest sibling. The last registered runner for dam Meisho Ohi (Jpn) (Manhattan Cafe {Jpn}) is the placed 3-year-old Meisho Sota (Jpn) (Drefong).

The female family is notably busy through the second dam, with 12 winners in the first two generations including MGSP-Jpn Meisho Kadomatsu (Jpn) (Daiwa Major {Jpn}). This is the dam line of Broodmare of the Year Courtly Dee, who most notably produced champion juvenile filly Althea--winner of the GI Arkansas Derby in a track record-equaling performance--and who herself would go on to produce Japanese champion juvenile filly Yamanin Paradise.

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#### Saturday, Kyoto, Japan

**TENNO SHO SPRING-G1**, ¥423,400,000, Kyoto, 4-28, 4yo/up, 3200mT, 3:14.20, fm.

1--T O ROYAL (JPN), 128, h, 6, by Leontes (Jpn)

1st Dam: Meisho Ohi (Jpn), by Manhattan Cafe (Jpn)

2nd Dam: Alpine Rose, by Kris S.

3rd Dam: Amizette, by Forty Niner

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O-Tomoya Ozasa; B-Mishima Bokujo; T-Inao Okada; J-Yuji Hishida; ¥223,780,000. Lifetime Record: 18-8-1-2, ¥518,266,000. \*Half to Meisho Hario (Jpn) (Pyro), MGSW & MG1SP-Jpn, ¥473,305,000. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. \*Triple Plus\*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Blow the Horn (Jpn), 128, h, 5, Epiphaneia (Jpn)--Halteclere (Jpn), by Durandal (Jpn). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE**. O-Makio Okada; B-Okada Stud; ¥89,080,000.
- 3--Deep Bond (Jpn), 128, h, 7, Kizuna (Jpn)--Zephyranthes (Jpn), by King Halo (Jpn). (¥17,820,000 Ylg '18 JBBJUL). O-Shinji Maeda; B-Murata Farm; ¥55,540,000.

Margins: 2, HF, HF; Odds: 1.80, 7.80, 26.50.

Also ran: Smart Phantom (Jpn), Warp Speed (Jpn), Savona (Jpn), Tastiera (Jpn), Meisho Breguet (Jpn), Gold Princess (Jpn), Plume d'Or (Jpn), Scar Face (Jpn), Saliera (Jpn), Matenro Leo (Jpn), Chuck Nate (Jpn), Durezza (Jpn), Silver Sonic (Jpn). DNF: Hapi (Jpn). Scratched: Hindu Times (Jpn). Click for the JRA chart & video.

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