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# 27 YEARS AFTER SETTING TRACK RECORD, INFLUENT STILL THE MAIN ATTRACTION



Influent at 33 | Sarah Andrew

Story by Jill Williams; photos by Sarah Andrew

Pop quiz: The \$400,000 GII Man o' War S. is scheduled to run this weekend at Belmont at the Big A at 11 furlongs on the grass. What previous Man o' War winner still holds the course record at Belmont Park for the distance?

If you guessed Influent (Ascot Knight), you'd be right. Two months before he won the Man o' War in 1997, then a Grade I, he covered the same 1 3/8 miles on Belmont's Widener Turf Course in 2:11.06 in the GII Bowling Green S.

Remarkably, years after his owners have passed away, long after all seven jockeys who ever rode him in a race have retired, and even 16 months after the trainer who campaigned him to glory in five graded stakes died at age 87, Influent is still hale and hearty. Sure, his back has the customary sway of an elderly horse and he's got his share of gray around the face. But even Influent, who ran a hole in the wind while setting or equaling course records at three tracks, at the age of 33 has to begrudgingly allow Father Time a few concessions.

Gwen Hoffmann has been 'his person' since 2001.

"This knucklehead is my heart and soul," she says with palpable affection. "He's got me wrapped around his finger." **Cont. p3** 

## MARYLAND GOVERNOR SIGNS BILL TO REBUILD PIMLICO by Bill Finley

As expected, Maryland Governor Wes Moore signed a bill Thursday that calls for Pimlico to be rebuilt and for the track to be donated to the state.

Under the law, \$400 million in state bonds will be used to tear down and rebuild the dilapidated grandstand. While Pimlico is being rebuilt, racing will move to Laurel. Once the new Pimlico is up and running, Laurel will be closed for racing.

Because of the eventual closing of Laurel, there will be a need to open a training center since Pimlico alone cannot accommodate all the horses based in Maryland. The site of that training center has yet to be determined.

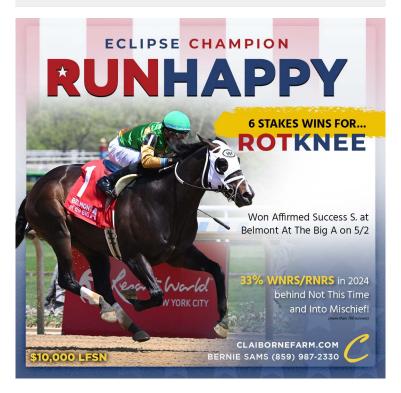
"This is an historic moment for Maryland racing," said Alan Foreman, the general counsel for the Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

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## SEAMLESS TRANSITION TO MOTHERHOOD FOR ALPINISTA

Emma Berry checks in with Kirsten Rausing, whose 2022 Arc heroine **Alpinista (GB)** (Frankel (GB)) foaled a Dubawi (Ire) filly this year.



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### *Influent, cont. from p1*

Hoffmann boards Influent at a farm owned by Jean Aker, daughter of late trainer John Mazza, about 20 minutes from Monmouth Park in Farmingdale, N.J. While Hoffmann is quick to credit Aker with Influent's longevity due to her knowledge of equine nutrition, it's clear Hoffmann plays a big role as well.

Hoffmann gets up at 4:30 every morning to check on Influent and give him his first meal of the day. He gets a second breakfast at 8:00, another meal at 3:00, and a night feed later on. Influent adores his food.

"Every day is like Christmas to that horse," said Hoffmann. "Every time you feed him, he comes running. He's very chatty because he's so excited.

"He's a piece of work. He's one of the smartest horses I've ever known. I have to give him Cushing's medicine every morning. The medicine either doesn't taste good or doesn't make him feel so good. He thinks he's outsmarting me by not taking the carrot, where he thinks I hide it, but I really hide in the horse cookie. I have to keep switching it up because he's still trying to figure it out.

"Every day that I have with him I cherish and is a blessing," continued Hoffmann. "I wake up, say my affirmations and my number one is that Influent's okay, he got his meds. Once I know he's okay, the rest of the day is downhill."

Hoffmann didn't follow racing when the Ontario-bred won five of seven in 1997, including the GI Caesars International H. and GIII Maker's Mark Mile S., for co-owners Richard Kumble and Michael Becker and trainer Howie Tesher. She didn't know he also held Keeneland's mile course record for a number of years. Becker had been hit by an 18-wheeler and used part of his settlement from the accident to acquire Influent at the 1996 Fasig-Tipton New York Horses of Racing Age Sale for \$54,000 and then donated part of the gelding's earnings to a charity for handicapped children. *Cont.* 



Influent and Gwen Hoffman last month | Sarah Andrew

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### Influent, cont.

She didn't know this special horse and bonafide star, who twice ran for a tag of \$6,500, had reached the highest echelon of the sport.

She did know she loved him very quickly after they met.

"I did not understand the level of racing that he was at or how respected his accomplishments were. I fell in love with Influent, the horse."

Hoffmann had a Quarter Horse named Dreyfus at the time and really wasn't in the market for a second horse when she and Influent first got acquainted 23 years ago.

"My Quarter Horse got navicular, so I couldn't ride him anymore," said Hoffmann.

"I'm not a great rider and Influent is a terrible riding horse because either he doesn't want to go or he wants to go full speed. He has two speeds--plugged or unplugged."

It didn't matter. The two were a match made in heaven.



Influent plays in his paddock last month | Sarah Andrew

"I didn't know how I was going to afford another horse, but everyone I talked to said, 'You will never, ever have another opportunity to have a horse like this.' I've never regretted it. I'm the lucky one to have him."

Hoffmann, who sells electrical supplies for a living and competed internationally on the U.S. karate team for a dozen years before being inducted into the USA Karate Federation Hall of Fame two years ago, explains how Influent came to be available.

"From what I understand, Mike [Becker] lost all his money when the dot coms crashed. He was paying just \$25 a month toward Influent's care at Holly Crest [John Mazza's farm]. Mike didn't want to sell him, but after I leased him for a couple of months, he agreed. I paid all his back board and gave him money." *Cont.* 

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### Influent, cont.

"What I owe to Mike Becker is my promise to put Influent first; his health and welfare are the most important thing to me. He's allowed to just be a horse. He's out 24/7 in a paddock with a stall that he can go in and out of. He's completely surrounded by paddocks and other horses."

By her calculations, Hoffmann hasn't ridden Influent since 2016.

"I was born with a birth defect with my hip. It was painful to ride, but I've had a lot of fun riding him. Now I'm fixed, but he's old and so am I."

Anyone who gets a glimpse into Hoffman and Influent's partnership comes away with a profound sense of two soul mates who have found each other.

"He knows my moods like many horses do with their partners and knows when I need him most," said Hoffmann. "He can erase the effects of the worst days with his enthusiastic nicker and nuzzling or just lay his head on my shoulder and stand with me for however long I need. He can be as stubborn as he is wonderful and if you try to make him do something you would be in for quite a battle of wills, but if you ask him, he will give you his heart and soul."

It isn't remarkable to Hoffmann that Influent continues to thrive at 33. Her Quarter Horse died a few years back at 32. What is her secret?

"I've got to give the credit to Jean [Aker], who knows nutrition," said Hoffmann. "That's her bag and she has taught me so much. Influent gets part senior, part low starch, timothy alfalfa cubes, and hay stretcher. He keeps his weight on. In fact, we have to watch that he doesn't gain weight. I truly don't believe I would have had either of my horses as long as I have without Jean's help and guidance."

Hoffmann, modest to a fault, is uncomfortable talking about herself, but delights in talking about her horse. She shares a story that shines light on his sometimes-impish personality.

"Mazza's old track pony was here when Influent was in his late 20s. Somehow a soccer ball got in the paddock and Influent figured out he could push the soccer ball toward the pony and the others and it would freak them all out. He had such fun torturing them, but he doesn't bite or kick. He's just a doll.

"He can be a pain in the patootie, but he's so kind; there's not a mean bone in his body. We can put him next to old horses and he'll play gently, or we can put him next to young horses and he'll play roughly." *Cont.* 



MGISW Influent, photographed last month at age 33 wearing his track halter from his racing days | Sarah Andrew

### Influent, cont.



Influent wins the 1997 GI Man o' War with Jerry Bailey up | Coglianese

Influent also enjoyed toying with his competition when he was a racehorse. During his biggest wins, he'd go straight to the front and dare the others to catch him. Hoffmann said Becker told her sometimes he'd get bored up there all by himself and wait for another horse to get close before he was willing to open up again.

After the 1997 Man o' War (watch it here), Becker was emotional. Influent's co-owner and Becker's close friend Kumble had died during open-heart surgery four days earlier. He told Tom Hammond on live television after the race, "This is my and Dick's Kentucky Derby. No other race will ever mean to me as much as this will."

There's little doubt Hoffman would say something similar about Influent. No other horse will ever mean as much to her as Influent will. And while she appreciates his history and what he did in the sport, that's irrelevant to their relationship.



Influent and Gwen Hoffmann | Sarah Andrew

"Every day that I share with him is a true blessing," said Hoffmann, "and I am grateful for each one because of who he is. He is so much more than his racing career."

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### Pimlico, cont. from p1

Foreman continued: "It wouldn't have been possible without the support of the governor, the leadership of the Maryland legislature and the cooperation of all the stakeholders and the work of the Maryland Thoroughbred Racetrack Operating Authority. It's an historic moment for Maryland racing and for the city of Baltimore."

The Stronach Group, which owns Pimlico and Laurel, will turn the tracks over to a newly formed non-profit group that will resemble the structure in New York, where the tracks are operated by the New York Racing Association. The Stronach Group had wanted out of Maryland because it has been losing money running the two tracks.

Foreman outlined the future plans for Pimlico and the timelines that involve such matters as moving the GI Preakness S. to Laurel: "Pimlico will be transferred to the state of Maryland on July 1," he said. "Pimlico will close for training sometime before the early fall. The Stadium Authority has already begun work and a design team is in place. They have put out the request bids for the construction firm that will do the actual construction work. Demolition work at Pimlico should begin, if not the end of this year, early next year. The bonds will be issued sometime in early 2025.

"The location for the training center has to be decided between now and the end of the year. I expect that will happen within the next 90 days because the construction of the training center needs to begin at the same time that Pimlico goes under construction. Racing will be conducted at Laurel for the next three years while construction takes place. The not-for-profit entity is currently being formed and a management team will be hired. It is anticipated that by Preakness 2025, which will be at Pimlico, the old grandstand will have been demolished and the old barn area will have been demolished. Full construction at Pimlico will continue after Preakness 2025. It is anticipated that the Preakness will be conducted at the new Pimlico in 2027. The Stadium Authority made it clear that they expect to deliver the project within three years from Jan. 1, 2025. Finally, the not-forprofit entity that will conduct Maryland racing will be put in place on Jan. 1, 2025."

Foreman said that "The Stronach Group will conduct the 2025 and 2026 runnings of the Preakness and it will be operated similar to the Breeders' Cup arrangement where they go into a racetrack, operate the event and then come back out again."

### Pimlico, cont.



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"Beginning in 2027, the Preakness will be controlled by and operated by the new not-for-profit entity under the auspices of the Maryland Thoroughbred Racetrack Operating Authority."

The 2025 Preakness will be run at Pimlico despite the fact that the construction will have already begun. It will be run at Laurel in 2026 before returning to Pimlico in 2027.

"Running the Preakness next year at Pimlico will be a bit of a challenge, but it's the 150th Preakness and the governor and the city very much want it held at Pimlico, regardless of what is going on," Foreman said.

Pimlico, which opened in 1870, is the nation's second-oldest racetrack behind Saratoga. But the facility had become so rundown over the years that its continuing to operate without millions being spent on upgrades as a racetrack was a problem. In 2019, nearly 7,000 grandstands seats were closed off, with The Stronach Group stressing that move was made for the "safety and security of all guests and employees."

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### BIDDING OPEN FOR FASIG-TIPTON MAY **DIGITAL SALE**

The catalogue for the Fasig-Tipton May Digital sale is now online at digital.fasigtipton.com and bidding is now open for the 110 horses of all ages that are on offer. The sale will close on Tuesday, May 14, beginning at 2 p.m. ET.

The catalogue includes breeding stock in addition to horses of racing age, 2-year-olds and yearlings.

Among the offerings are the first mares in foal to champions Elite Power (Curlin), Forte (Violence) and Up To The Mark (Not This Time), as well as Gunite (Gun Runner) Mage (Good Magic) and Taiba (Gun Runner). Perennial leading sires Constitution,

Into Mischief and Not This Time are also among the covering

"We have a serious collection of breeding stock, the type of quality buyers usually have to wait until November to find," said Leif Aaron, Fasig-Tipton Director of Digital Sales. "Mare buyers will miss important opportunities if they don't shop this sale."

The horses of racing age include graded-stakes quality colts and geldings, as well as last-out winners. Graded winners and performers have been catalogued among the racing/broodmare prospects and can continue their careers at the track or be bred.

"There is good quality and depth among the racehorse offerings in both the male and female divisions," noted Aaron. "Many of the fillies have global appeal and can even be bred right away on Southern Hemisphere covers."



Leif Aaron | Fasig-Tipton photo

Added Aaron: "The buying public has really begun to embrace our digital platform, and sellers are responding by upping the quality that they offer online. Our clearance rate on Fasig-Tipton Digital is 90% in 2024. This demonstrates that we provide a fair marketplace with realistic sellers. I think more and more buyers are coming to realize and appreciate that."

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A total of 994 horses--980 2-year-olds and 14 horses of racing age--have been catalogued for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June 2-Year-Olds In Training and Horses of Racing Age Sale, to be held Wednesday through Friday, June 12-14.

The under-tack show and sale itself have both been moved forward by one day to facilitate inspection and travel time for those horsepeople attending the GI Belmont S. at Saratoga the week prior. Cont.



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### OBS, cont.

Hips 1-350 are set to go under the hammer during the opening session and a similar number of horses will be offered during day two of trade (hips 351-700). On the final day of the sale June 14, hips 701-980 and supplements will take their turn, and hips 1101-1114--the HORA section--will complete the auction. Supplemental entries close May 22, 2024 at noon ET.

The sale's under-tack preview will take place over the course of six days, Tuesday, June 4 through Sunday, June 9, with all sessions beginning at 7:30 a.m. ET. The breakdown by hip number will be released following the closing of supplemental entries. The breeze shows will be streamed live at the TDN homepage.

Graduates of the June Sale include Adare Manor (Uncle Mo), a \$375,000 purchase by owner Michael Lund Petersen and impressive winner of the GI Apple Blossom H. in April; War Like Goddess (English Channel), a \$30,000 acquisition by owner George Krikorian out of the 2019 sale and a three-time Grade I winner; and Grade II-winning millionaire Webslinger (Constitution), bought by DJ Stable for \$50,000 in 2022 and a latest third in the GI Old Forester Turf Classic, his third such elite-level placing.

OBS will again offer online bidding during the June Sale. Buyers may go to the OBS website and register to gain bidding approval, then access the OBS Bidding Screen with their credentials. For complete information on registration and online bidding please go to obs-online-bidding.

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### PETER PAN FIELD SCRATCHED DOWN TO **HALF-DOZEN**

The field for Saturday's GIII Peter Pan S. at Aqueduct has been reduced from eight to six, with the connections of both 'TDN Rising Star' Tuscan Gold (Medaglia d'Oro) and Lonesome Boy (Nationhood) opting for other age-restricted spots. Daily Racing Form's David Grening was first to report the news.

William Lawrence, Walmac Farm and Stonestreet Stables' Tuscan Gold is being rerouted for next Saturday's GI Preakness S., trainer Chad Brown confirmed to the Form. The \$600,000 Keeneland September yearling was fourth to stablemate and recent GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) on debut before romping to 'Rising Star' honors when trying two turns for the first time at Gulfstream Jan. 31. He was most recently third to Sierra Leone and Derby fourth Catching Freedom (Constitution) in the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 23. Tyler Gaffalione, who rode Sierra Leone in the Derby, will take the ride.



Tuscan Gold | Ryan Thompson

"My first instinct was to always run in the Preakness," Brown told the Pimlico notes team. "I wanted to enter the Peter Pan to give myself some options. I wanted to look and survey the field and see who was actually going to show up in the Preakness. At the end of the day, the reward is so much greater if he were to run well in the Preakness going for a much bigger prize."

Lonesome Boy will pass on the Peter Pan in favor of a much softer landing in Saturday's Long Branch S. on opening day at Monmouth Park. Victorious in the City of Brotherly Love S. at Parx Mar. 5, the Washington-bred was part of the early pace in the Apr. 6 GII Wood Memorial S. before weakening in the final furlong to be fourth, some 7 1/2 lengths behind Resilience (Into Mischief).

The Wine Steward (Vino Rosso) figures to go favored in the Peter Pan on the back of a comebacking second to Encino (Nyquist) in the GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. at Keeneland Apr. 13.

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### CATCHING FREEDOM 'UNDER **CONSIDERATION' FOR PREAKNESS**

Albaugh Family Stable's Catching Freedom (Constitution) is being considered for a start in the GI Preakness S. at Pimlico a week from Saturday, Jason Loutsch, co-owner and racing manager for the operation, told the Pimlico media office.

Settled far off the strong early pace of the GI Kentucky Derby by Flavien Prat, the \$575,000 Keeneland September yearling made a long run into contention, sneaking through inside in upper stretch before staying on into fourth, beaten two lengths behind the three-horse photo.

Loutsch said the GII Louisiana Derby winner, trained by Brad Cox, would either get on a van to Baltimore or remain in Louisville for the GIII Matt Winn S. at Churchill Downs June 9.

### Catching Freedom, cont.



Catching Freedom | Coady Media

"We never really ruled it out," Loutsch said of the Preakness. "We were just going to give the horse some time to come back. We weren't going to commit until we found out how the horse is doing. We'll know something by Saturday. Obviously, you'd love to run in Triple Crown races, but at the same time the horse is always first.

"We'll make a decision by the weekend. He's doing well now. I'm not opposed to taking a shot in the Preakness, but I've got to listen to Brad and the horse and take my heart out of it. Of course I want to run, but at the end of the day it's all about the horse. He ran a bang-up race, ran hard in the Derby. We'll just see how he comes back out of it. If we don't run in the Preakness, we'll go to the Matt Winn."

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## STRONGHOLD AND ENDLESSLY REGROUP AT SANTA ANITA AFTER KENTUCKY DERBY

California-based GI Kentucky Derby runners **Stronghold** (Ghostzapper) and **Endlessly** (Oscar Performance) have returned to Santa Anita after their respective seventh- and ninth-place finishes at Churchill Downs, according to Santa Anita's track notes Thursday. Each was back in his own stall Tuesday.

Stronghold jogged Thursday in his first time back to the track. "He came out of the race in good shape," trainer Phil D'Amato said Thursday morning of the Eric and Sharon Waller homebred.

D'Amato continued: "I thought he got a good stalking trip behind the speed. He made a nice little move at the top of the lane and then kind of faded the final eighth."

D'Amato said Stronghold will probably be pointed to some of the 3-year-old races over the summer, with the team taking a close look at some of the derbies held in the Midwest.



Stronghold at Churchill Downs | Renee Torbit/Coady Media

"We're going to recharge the batteries and aim for some big stakes down the road," he said. "We'll focus on mile and mile-and-eighth races this year."

Amerman Racing's Endlessly tried dirt for the first time in the Derby.

"I thought he ran very well all things considered," said trainer Michael McCarthy Thursday. "First time dirt, first time getting kickback. He was a little farther back than I would have liked, but he put in a mild run around the first turn and finished up nicely."

McCarthy indicated Endlessly will return to turf. "We're going to go ahead and get him back to his routine and look for something in July."

In other news from Santa Anita Thursday, last summer's GI Pacific Classic S. winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Arabian Knight (Uncle Mo) worked five furlongs in 1:01 for Bob Baffert as he continued to prepare for his 4-year-old campaign. It was his fifth work since Apr. 11.

Also working for Baffert was MGSW and 'TDN Rising Star' Kinza (Carpe Diem), on the work tab for the first time since finishing second--her first career loss--in the Apr. 6 GII Santa Anita Oaks. She covered her four furlongs in :48.40.

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### FIRST MISSION HEADED TO STEPHEN **FOSTER**



First Mission | Horsephotos

Godolphin's 'TDN Rising Star' First Mission (Street Sense), impressive winner of the GII Alysheba S. at Churchill Downs May 3, will take the next logical step in the \$1-million GI Stephen Foster S. beneath the Twin Spires Saturday, June 29.

"He ran a huge race," trainer Brad Cox told the Churchill media office. "We're very proud of his effort, Down the lane, it seemed like he was getting stronger as he got closer to the wire."

Favored at just over even-money in the 8 1/2-furlong Alysheba, the homebred sat handy enough to a lively pace set by Japan's T O Saint Denis (Jpn) (Kitasan Black {Jpn}) and steadily reeled him in late, drawing clear to win by four lengths while earning a strong 106 Beyer Speed Figure. T O Saint Denis was awarded a 99.

Connections will hope First Mission's second attempt at the highest level goes better than his first when he was beaten better than 20 lengths into ninth in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational Jan. 27. He bounced back in no uncertain terms with a five-length romp in the GIII Essex H. prior to the Alysheba.

The Stephen Foster is a 'Win and You're In' qualifier for the GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Del Mar Nov. 2.

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### **ELLIS PARK STAKES WORTH RECORD \$3.7M**

The 25-day meeting at Ellis Park in Henderson, Kentucky, will feature 18 added-money events worth record prize money of \$3.7 million, officials from the track announced Thursday.

The lone graded and richest event on the calendar is the GIII Pucker Up S., a nine-furlong contest on the turf for 3-yearold fillies for a purse of \$400,000 (including \$150,000 from the Kentucky Thoroughbred Development Fund). The Pucker Up is one of seven stakes across the \$1.95-million Kentucky Downs Preview weekend Aug. 3 and 4.

A pair of valuable races are programmed for Sunday, Aug. 11. The one-mile Listed Ellis Park Derby is worth \$275,000 (incl. \$125,000 KTDF) for the 3-year-olds and is accompanied by the Listed Groupie Doll S., a \$175,000 (incl. \$75,000 KTDF) for older fillies and mares at a mile on the main track.

The meet opens Thursday, July 4 with the running of the \$125,000 Dade Park Dash (incl. \$25,000 KTDF), and the schedule also includes the Ellis Park Juvenile and Ellis Park Debutante for 2-year-old males and fillies, respectively, Aug. 11 and the \$175,000 Audubon Oaks.

The Ellis Park season will begin on a Thursday-Sunday schedule but will shift to Saturday-Monday from July 13-Aug. 26.

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### 'NOT A \$1 HORSE': CHANGING THE NARRATIVE OF THE THOROUGHBRED

**BEYOND RACING** by Kirsten Green

As we revel in the afterglow of a 150th Kentucky Derby that was everything racing needed it to be, those of us with a foot in the sport horse world still have the previous weekend on repeat in our heads.

The last weekend in April, horses can be found thundering around a different venue of international competition at the Kentucky Three-Day Event, which features the Olympic sport of eventing at the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI) 4\* and 5\* levels at the Kentucky Horse Park. The 5\* level is a more difficult level of competition than what riders will contend with this summer in Paris and the Kentucky 3-Day is one of only seven 5\* competitions in the world. In an Olympic selection season, you can imagine that the competition is stiff. Cont.



Mia Farley and Phelps | EquiSport Photos

### Thoroughbreds as sport horses, cont.

Since its inception, the Retired Racehorse Project (RRP) has keenly tracked the Thoroughbred presence on the Kentucky entry list from year to year, since eventing has held out as a sport where the Thoroughbred can still be seen at the international level. Unfortunately, this number has crept downwards in the last 10 years from 21 in 2015 to just five in the 5\* this year. As the sport has evolved away from the old long format, which required substantially more physical stamina, top riders have gravitated to purpose-bred, typically imported sport horses who possess a flashy trot and can jump out of their skin.

I say all of this about the level of competition and historical Thoroughbred presence to provide context for my next statement: This year the Thoroughbred came out on top in a big way. Of the five Thoroughbreds entered in the 5\*, every one of them not only completed the event, but completed in the top half of the division, which saw 35 starters. And one Thoroughbred in particular got everyone's attention after the cross country phase was complete. Twenty-four-year-old Mia



Mia Farley and Phelps | EquiSport Photos

Farley and "Phelps" were one of only two pairs, and the only American pair, to complete the course "double clear," meaning that they ran the course within the optimum time with no jumping faults. This may be an emerging pattern, as they were the only pair to accomplish this in the Maryland 5\* last fall in what was their first outing at the level.

Phelps is currently owned by David O'Connor, a living legend in the sport of eventing. The horse ended up in O'Connor's barn as a resale project, but he had a gut instinct to keep the horse around, so he "bought" Phelps for \$1 to formalize the transaction. And here is where the purpose of this article comes in.

My social feeds over the past 10 days or so have been peppered with headlines about Mia and her \$1 "underdog" Thoroughbred. I know full well that the media loves an underdog story and so many of us have shared these stories with good intentions, but this mindset is doing a disservice to the breed.

Breeders Fred Hertrich III and John Fielding paid a Tiznow stud fee (\$75,000 at the time), raised Phelps, and put him in the Taylor Made consignment at the 2014 Keeneland yearling sale where Solveig Stables was the top bidder at \$50,000. It was presumably Solveig Stables that put Phelps in training as he logged four works in the summer of 2015. By his 3-year old year, he had exited racing and was in the hands of Joanie Morris, who ultimately sold the horse to O'Connor, and Farley took over the ride by the time Phelps was five. Six years later, Phelps is making a name for himself at the highest level of international competition in the sport of eventing. He may not have excelled at what he was originally bred to do, but perhaps there's some dual Breeders' Cup Classic-winning blood that's influencing his success today? If anything, he's certainly not a \$1 horse.

We need to stop feeding the narrative that Thoroughbreds are underdogs with rags-to-riches stories just because they're doing

something other than what they were originally bred to do. As we well know, these horses are thoughtfully bred, lovingly raised, and carefully produced and cared for like the world-class athletes that they are. Lack of competitiveness on the track simply has nothing to do with the quality of the horse and all that went into producing it—it only means they need to pursue something different.

The racing and breeding industries did the necessary thing 10-plus years ago by mobilizing and significantly funding

aftercare. We've made so much progress in ensuring that horses transition easily into their next chapter and we need to be talking more about what is next. We've moved beyond the point of convincing people that Thoroughbreds are capable and, if we're going to continue to support an efficient and effective aftercare industry, we're going to need to further drive demand for the breed in equestrian sport.

We can't do that in a meaningful way without data and there is no breed registry for the Thoroughbred sport horse that is collecting that data. As a result, the Thoroughbred's influence on sport is being lost. Sport horses who are, in many cases, 50% or more Thoroughbred blood are marketed as warmbloods, draft crosses, and appendix Quarter Horses. Artificial insemination (AI) is the norm in sporthorse breeding and the resulting foals are registered to other studbooks, regardless of whether the dam or sire was 100% Thoroughbred. As an industry, we've given up the opportunity to market our own horses as something other than charity cases—and that matters, because it is demand that is going to help secure that horse's future when the statistical likelihood that they're going to need a second career comes to pass. *Cont.* 

### Thoroughbreds as sport horses, cont.

The Jockey Club's federal filings describe its mission as "... the breed Registry for Thoroughbred horses in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico. It is dedicated to the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing..." so perhaps it's reasonable to say that this is outside of the scope of The Jockey Club's mission. Either way, we should be talking seriously about launching an industry-supported initiative that fills the void where a Thoroughbred sport horse registry is needed. If you solve that, you solve a huge portion of the traceability and post-racing accountability issue.

The RRP staff recently held our annual all-hands meeting and completed a vision exercise where we defined what it looked like when our mission is effectively accomplished. After all, the goal of charities should be to effect change significantly enough that their charitable work is no longer needed. What did we come up with? A world where aftercare is no longer a charitable effort, but rather an anticipated and well-planned-for transition, and where the Thoroughbred is held in as equitable regard as other sport and riding breeds. That headline teaser might read "Leading sire X has prolific influence on track and beyond, produces record number of 5\* starters." I sincerely believe we're ready to embrace this next chapter in the Thoroughbred brand. Kirsten Green is the Executive Director of the Retired Racehorse Project. Best known for producing the Thoroughbred Makeover training competition, the RRP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit which seeks to increase demand for Thoroughbreds beyond racing.

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## STEWART STRIKES FOR A\$3.2M TUTTA LA VITA AT INGLIS

John Stewart's Resolute Racing continued its world-wide buying spree in Australia Thursday when going to A\$3.2 million to acquire multiple Group 1-placed **Tutta La Vita (Aus)** (The Autumn Sun {Aus}) (hip 87) at the Inglis Chairman's Sale. The 3-year-old filly, the second-highest priced lot at the sale, had been campaigned by Kevin and Vikki Payne, who purchased her for A\$300,000 as a yearling in 2022. She will continue to be trained by Chris Waller.

"We are really excited about buying Tutta La Vita," Stewart said. "We met Chris Waller when we were in Australia a few weeks ago and knowing that Chris was training her and having a relationship with him and knowing how he felt about the horse was one of the reasons we were looking at her. We are constantly evaluating the top fillies and mares globally. It's something that we are really dedicated to understanding. There were a lot of impressive horses in this auction. We thought that Tutta La Vita fit with our breeding program long-term a little bit better than the other fillies that were for sale. So we decided to

wait and put all of our focus on her. We were lucky to come away owning her."

Coolmore's Tom Magnier made the highest purchase at the auction, going to A\$3.4 million to acquire **She's Extreme (Aus)** (Extreme Choice {Aus}), but Stewart said the operation was underbidder on Tutta La Vita as well.

"We have a good relationship with Coolmore and Tom texted me after we bought her and that's how I found out that they were actually on her as well," Stewart said. "That makes me even more confident in the purchase because I view them as a very good judge of horses, especially of this caliber and on the breeding side."

Tutta La Vita was most recently 10th in the 2400-meter G1 Australian Oaks in April and is expected to cut back to 2200 meters in the G1 Queensland Oaks next month.

"Right now, we are just excited to have her continue to race in our colors," Stewart said. "We are organizing getting our silks down there for races coming up and excited to have her continue her training with Chris Waller. We look forward to being in Australia and being able to see her race. We are going to try to work it out so that we can be there for the Queensland Oaks in June and be able to see her in person."

Of long-term plans for the filly, Stewart said, "We haven't really talked about breeding yet. Everything is on the table. We have breeding operations in America, of course. We are a breed-to-race operation and we are looking to make a long-term investment in Australia. It's very possible she could end up staying in Australia as well. We are just really excited about this purchase and excited to make more of an investment in Australian racing. We hope the Australian racing fans will join us in cheering her on when she races next."

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### AMERICAN RACING MANUAL AVAILABLE

The 2024 edition of The American Racing Manual, which contains historical data through 2023, is now available in PDF format through The Jockey Club Fact Book.

The Fact Book is a statistical and informational guide to Thoroughbred breeding, racing, and auction sales in North America.

The Jockey Club is accepting feedback for potential modifications to The American Racing Manual, which can be submitted to contactus@jockeyclub.com.

### TAA ON SITE AT PIMLICO FOR PREAKNESS WEEK

Edited Press Release



Katie Jones photo

Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA) will be on-site this year at Pimlico Race Course for the week leading up to Preakness 149 on Saturday, May 18, 2024. With the combined efforts from 1/ST RACING, Maryland Jockey Club, America's Best Racing, and Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, accredited aftercare will be promoted with several on-site activations throughout the week.

The ninth annual America's Best Racing (ABR) Pre-Preakness Party to benefit Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance and The Jockey Club Safety Net Foundation will be held at Mt. Washington Tavern in Baltimore, Maryland on Wednesday, May 15, at 7 p.m. ET, and on Friday, May 17, the TAA will be recognized with a named race sponsored by Hallway Feeds on the Black-Eyed Susan undercard. Following the running of the race, a presentation will be made to the winning connections including a branded blanket and gift bag.

TAA will present the Sir Barton S. sponsored by Brandon and Diannah Perry of Paragon Farms and Newgate Realty on Preakness Day May 18. Paragon Farms, founded by Thoroughbred owners and breeders Brandon and Diannah Perry, entered into an agreement to annually donate \$100,000 to TAA as the title sponsor of the Sir Barton S. for three consecutive years beginning with the Preakness 147. After the running of the race, a presentation will be made to the winning connections, including a branded blanket and gift bag, as well as a check presentation made to Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance from Paragon Farms.

"Maryland Jockey Club and 1/ST RACING is proud to be partnered with Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, and we are very excited to have them back once again for Preakness 149," said Mike Rogers, 1/ST RACING Executive Vice President and Maryland Jockey Club Acting President and General Manager.

"Through the promotion of accredited aftercare throughout the race weekend, we hope to garner support from race fans."

TAA will have a booth on the first level of the grandstand on Friday and Saturday, where race fans and participants can learn more about accredited aftercare. Branded merchandise and race memorabilia will be gifted in exchange for donations.

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### **VIRGINIA PROGRAM GENERATED \$86M SINCE 2017**

The Virginia-Certified Residency Program generated an estimated economic impact of \$86.2 million between 2017 and 2023, according to a study commissioned by the Virginia Equine Alliance.

"This is a significant total, especially taking into consideration that the program is still relatively new," said Debbie Easter, president of the Virginia Equine Alliance. "The program didn't begin until 2017, yet already is demonstrating its value."

The program requires horses to reside at least six consecutive months at a Virginia farm during his or her first two years to receive a certification as Virginia-certified and to qualify to receive bonuses in eligible races.

More than 5,000 horses have participated to date. Six Virginia-restricted stakes with combined purse money of \$750,000 will be offered during the summer meet at Colonial Downs, with another 40 Virginia-restricted overnight races also offered in the track's first Condition Book.

Other highlights of the study include:

- The direct spending of the program was estimated at \$54.5 million from 2017 to 2023.
- The program produced an estimated \$1.8 million in tax revenue for the state government.
- The cumulative economic impact is 5.9 times larger than the total incentive payout.

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### **GRADED STAKES** ENTRIES



### Saturday, Belmont The Big A #7, post time: 3:39 p.m. EDT

MAN O' WAR S.-GII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ohana Honor 🛪	Honor Code	West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing, LLC,	McGaughey III	Carmouche	118
			Edward J. Hudson, Jr.,and Lynne Hudson			
2	Kertez (GB)	Intello (Ger)	Michael Dubb, Morris Bailey, West Point Tbreds	Clement	Rosario	122
3	So High (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Naipaul Chatterpaul	Chatterpaul	Maragh	118
4	Harry Hood	First Samurai	Mashnee Stable	Hennig	Velazquez	118
5	Tawny Port <a>**</a>	Pioneerof the Nile	Peachtree Stable	Clement	Ortiz, Jr.	118
6	Greek Order (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Mott	Lezcano	118
7	Rocket and Roll <a>**</a>	Bolt d'Oro	Naipaul Chatterpaul	Chatterpaul	Kocakaya	118
8	Silver Knott (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Prat	122
9	Nations Pride (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Dettori	124

**Breeders:** 1-Daniel J. Burke, 2-Wertheimer et Frere, 3-George Strawbridge, 4-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 5-WinStar Farm, LLC, 6-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 7-Mark Toothaker & Keith Crupper, 8-St Albans Bloodstock LLP, 9-Godolphin

## Saturday, Belmont The Big A #6, post time: 3:08 p.m. EDT PETER PAN S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Protective <a>**</a>	Medaglia d'Oro	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
2	Unique Insight	Gun Runner	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Cancel	118
3	The Wine Steward	Vino Rosso	Paradise Farms Corp. and David Staudacher	Maker	Saez	120
4-	Lonesome Boy	Nationhood	John E. Parker	Scr	Ser	Scr
5	Tuscan Gold 🦟	Medaglia d'Oro	William Lawrence, Walmac Farm, Stonestreet Stables	Scr	Scr	Scr
6	Antiquarian 🛪	Preservationist	Centennial Farms	Pletcher	Velazquez	118
7	Deterministic 🛪	Liam's Map	St. Elias Stable, Ken Langone,	Clement	Rosario	123
			C. Steven Duncker and Vicarage Stable			
8	Native Land 🖛	Mastery	Cheyenne Stable LLC	Mott	Alvarado	118

**Breeders:** 1-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 2-R. S. Evans, 3-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC, Lakland Farm& Mark Toothaker, 4-Pat Chinn & Mullan Chinn, 5-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 6-Brereton C. Jones, 7-Hinkle Farms, 8-Frankfort Park Farm



### Saturday, Belmont The Big A #2, post time: 1:04 p.m. EDT

**BEAUGAY S.-GIII**, \$175,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Quarrel	Speightstown	Marc Keller	Ribaudo	Castellano	118
2	Neecie Marie	Cross Traffic	Michael Milam	Reid, Jr.	Rosario	118
3	Spirit And Glory (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Michael Nentwig, Michael Dubb, Beast Mode Racing,	Falcone, Jr.	Lezcano	122
			John Rochfort and Robert N. Falcone, Jr.			
4	Aspray	Quality Road	Ran Jan Racing, Inc.	Brown	Prat	122
5	Whitebeam (GB)	Caravaggio	Juddmonte	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	122
6	Movie Moxy 🖛	Street Sense	Linda Rice and Marequest	Rice	Lezcano	118
7	Bustin Bay	Bustin Stones	Winning Move Stable	Rice	Carmouche	118
8	Ocean Gateway	Tonalist	Robert S. Evans	Clement	Davis	118

**Breeders:** 1-Marc Keller, 2-Jon A. Marshall, 3-Dr Noel Cogan & Patrick Williams, 4-RanJan Racing, Inc., 5-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 6-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC, 7-Robert D. Rosenthal & Peter Rosenthal & Martin Greenberg, 8-R. S. Evans

### Saturday, Belmont The Big A #4, post time: 2:06 p.m. EDT

**RUNHAPPY S.-GIII**, \$175,000, 4yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Straight No Chaser	Speightster	MyRacehorse	Landeros	Velazquez	124
2	Durante	Distorted Humor	David Jacobson	Jacobson	Franco	124
3	Stage Left 🖛	Congrats	David Jacobson	Jacobson	Vazquez	118
4	Ninetyprcentmaddie	Weigelia	LC Racing LLC	Reid, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	118
5	Twenty Four Mamba 🖛	Classic Empire	PlayingTheField Racing, Final Turn Racing Stable,	Baker	Davis	118
			WLIR Racing Stables and Acqua Nova Stable			
6	Joey Freshwater 🛪	Jimmy Creed	Winning Move Stable	Rice	Lezcano	120

**Breeders:** 1-John Eaton & Steve Laymon, 2-William Humphries & Altair Farms, LLC, 3-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 4-LC Racing LLC, 5-Respite Farm, Inc, 6-Dr. Aaron Sones, Dr. Naoya Yoshida &Dr. Eric Crawford

## Sunday, Belmont The Big A #8, post time: 4:43 p.m. EDT SOARING SOFTLY S.-GIII, \$175,000, 3yo, f, 6fT

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tiger Belle (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Michael lavarone, Jules lavarone, and Mark Frimmel	Joseph, Jr.	McCarthy	123
2	Buttercream Babe <a>**</a>	Twirling Candy	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Vazquez	118
3	Baraye	Midshipman	Amo Racing USA	Ward	Alvarado	118
4	El Terreno	Speightstown	Castleton Lyons	Clement	Rosario	118
5	Kairyu (Ire)	Kuroshio (Aus)	Martin S. Schwartz and Michael O'Callaghan	DeVaux	Carmouche	123
6	Kodiac Wintergreen (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Bregman Family Racing LLC	Arnold, II	Saez	118
7	Amidst Waves <a>**</a>	Midshipman	Big Tufff Stables, Blackridge Stables LLC,	Weaver	Velazquez	120
			Black Type T'breds, R.A. Hill Stable & Swinkbank Stable	les		
8	Golden Ghost (GB) 🖛	Medaglia d'Oro	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Davis	118
9	Pipsy (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC	Walden	Prat	120
10	Independenceavenue	Mr Speaker	West Point Thoroughbreds and Scarlet Oak Racing	Delacour	Franco	118
11	Caress 🛪	Connect	Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables, LLC,	Weaver	Alvarado	118
			Steve Adkisson, and R. A. Hill Stable			
12	Artemis Sound 🛪	Audible	Late Night Stables LLC	Pletcher	Lezcano	118
13	Marco T.	Kantharos	Michael J. Caruso and Michael Dubb	Clement	Franco	118
14	Value Area	More Than Ready	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Gary F. Lewin	Pletcher	Rider TBA	118

**Breeders:** 1-Paul Giles, 2-Repole Stable, Inc, 3-Patricia L. Moseley, 4-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 5-Mr P. Turley, 6-Patrick Grogan, 7-Woods Edge Farm, LLC & BallyfairBloodstock, 8-Alpha Delta Stables LLC, 9-Noel Finegan, 10-Calumet Farm, 11-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 12-Bedell Suydam Conboy, 13-Forty Oaks Farm, 14-KatieRich Farms

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**3rd-Churchill Downs, \$91,068, Msw**, 5-9, 2yo, 5f, :58.53, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

AUSTIN CRUISE (c, 2, Catalina Cruiser--Zurlin, by Curlin) served as the 5-2 choice for his debut here. The bay flashed his speed from the rail up the backstretch, but it was not enough to take the lead. The Toner (Maclean's Music) ranged up on a green pacesetter and looked to be in control entering the lane. The Steve Asmussen trainee was not ready to quit though. Austin Cruise clung to the rail at the eighth pole and he shifted into high gear, which won the day by 2 1/2 lengths. This is Zurlin's first to the races, but she is also responsible for a yearling filly by Knicks Go. Out of an extended female family which includes MGSW/MGISP Catapult (Kitten's Joy), the winner's dam was bred to Corniche for this season. Sales History: \$17,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEEJAN; \$22,000 Ylg '23 OBSOCT; \$50,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$52,320. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Mike McCarty; B-Rowland Hancock (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

### CRESTWOOD FARM FOALED | RAISED | SOLD

**1st-Belmont The Big A, \$87,300, Msw**, 5-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.30, ft, head.

CATCHING HEAT (f, 3, Union Rags--Philly Mignon, by Giant's Causeway) debuted in third place in South Ozone Park Mar. 9, then was the runner-up over the same surface Apr. 7. The 7-5 choice here tracked off of Just Music (Audible) up the backstretch and took over around the far turn. Joined briefly to the outside by Shirl's Delight (Tonalist), the filly put away that rival past the eighth pole and got to the wire first by a head over her late running stablemate Save Time (Into Mischief). The first registered offspring for her dam, Catching Heat is a half-sister to 2-year-old colt The Form (Cairo Prince) and to a yearling filly by Mucho Macho Man. Philly Mignon foaled a colt by Candy Ride (Arg) Apr. 4. Sales History: \$200,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$75,100. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Wise Racing LLC; B-PTK, LLC (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

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**5th-Pimlico, \$48,005, Msw**, 5-9, 3yo, 6f, 1:12.12, ft, 7 lengths. **GRAND OPENING (g, 3, Union Jackson--Ribbon Cutter, by Elusive Quality)** debuted in third facing New York Stallion S. foes at Aqueduct Apr. 14. Racing with Lasix and off as the 2-5 choice here, the gelding got down to business from the bell and continued to set the pace around the far turn. Opening up at the top of the lane, the 3-year-old ran up the score to win by seven lengths over Hub (Mitole). Out of an extended female family which includes current first-crop sire McKinzie (Street Sense), the winner is a half-brother to Leeloo (Practical Joke), SP, \$380,245. Ribbon Cutter foaled a colt by Catalina Cruiser last year and visited Keepmeinmind for this term. Sales History: \$14,000 Wlg '21 FTNMIX; \$5,000 RNA Ylg '22 EASOCT. Lifetime Record: SP, 2-1-0-1, \$52,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** 

O-WWCD, LLC; B-Sequel Stallions NY & Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings, LLC (NY); T-W. Robert Bailes.

### FIRST WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

**2nd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$33,280, Msw**, 5-9, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53.19, wf, 1/2 length.

**BAYTOWN BOO BOO (c, 2, Instagrand--Profound Legacy, by Proud Citizen)** made a pair of attempts to break his maiden at Keeneland and finished fifth Apr. 17 and fourth Apr. 26. Off as the 9-5 choice while facing four others here, he set the tone early up the backstretch as first-time starter Special Creed (Jimmy Creed) tried to keep pace. Arriving at the top of the lane, the juvenile turned up the pressure, steadily separated himself from his rival in the final furlong and won by a half-length.

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Baytown Boo Boo | Coady Media

Baytown Boo Boo is his first-crop sire's (by Into Mischief) first worldwide winner out of 135 foals of racing age, and is his dam's first registered foal. Profound Legacy is responsible for a yearling filly by Rowayton and she revisited Instagrand for this season. Her full-sister is GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Believe You Can, who herself produced GSW Conclude (Collected). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$25,360. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-McEntee Racing, Inc.; B-OXO Equine LLC (KY); T-Paul McEntee.

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**5th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw**, 5-9, 3yo/up, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:42.43, ft, 2 lengths.

LUNA TAP (c, 3, Ransom the Moon--Tapajo {MSW, \$123,727}, by Tapit) went off in this debut as a 9-2 shot with Lasix. The dark bay raced in the third position behind leader First of His Name (Catalina Cruiser) and remained on hold in the second flight up the backstretch. Getting under way around the far turn, the homebred tipped to the four path at the top of the lane and uncorked a rally as the pacesetter began to tire. Flashing some solid foot, the colt won by two lengths over his intended target. The winner is a half-brother to County Final (Oxbow), SW & MGSP-USA, SP-Can, \$754,908. Tapajo produced a colt named My Vacation (Tourist), who is now a 2-year-old. Though she foaled a filly by Army Mule last year, she was not bred for this spring. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Doug F. O'Neill.



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**6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw**, 5-9, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.53, ft, 3 lengths.

TROTTER (f, 3, Cross Traffic--Stake {GSP, \$166,891}, by Boundary) debuted a well-beaten third for owner Starry Night Racing and trainer Kent Sweezey while running for a \$20,000 tag at Keeneland Apr. 14. Off the claim as a 4-1 shot here, the gray battled for the top spot up the backstretch. The 3-year-old seized the lead around the far turn, but was closely pursued by a pair of chasers. Responding with a nice kick at the sixteenth pole, the filly went on to graduate by three lengths over first timer A Little Canela (Air Force Blue). Out of an extended female family which includes GISW Jack Milton (War Front), the winner is her dam's last registered foal. Trotter is a half-sister to Allied Air Raid (Midshipman), SW & MGSP, \$352,200. Sales History: \$24,000 RNA Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$37,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$23,285. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Barrett Bernard; B-C. Kidder & N. Cole (KY); T-Aaron M. West.

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### **IN BRITAIN:**

Capulet, c, 3, Justify. See "Britain".

### IN ITALY:

Black Jack Rumble, c, 3, Jack Milton--Happy Party Girl, by Cape Blanco (Ire). Milan, 5-9, Mdn., 1600mT, 1:40.60. O-Aurelio Golino. B-Carolyn Jo Oldfield (KY). T-Luciano Vitabile. \*\$65,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

### U.S.-BRED/SIRED RUNNERS IN JAPAN WINNING HAS NO BOUNDARIES

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



Roly Poly, seen here at the 2017 Breeders' Cup, is the dam of Justify's daughter Roly Glory | Horsephotos

**Saturday, May 11, 2024** 3rd-KYO, ¥10,480,000 (\$67k), Maiden, 3yo, 1900m

CRITICAL HIT (c, 3, American Pharoah--Mythical Mission, by Giant's Causeway) was a creditable fifth on his Hanshin debut over 1800 meters Mar. 30 and returned on two weeks' rest to finish a solid runner-up over that same course and distance. The colt's stakes-winning dam is an Ontario-bred full-sister to multiple Sovereign Award winner Irish Mission and a half to GSW French Beret (Broad Brush) and to the dam of Grade III winner Mission of Joy (Kitten's Joy). Shimokobe Farm acquired Mythical Mission for \$575,000 with this colt in utero from the Sam-Son Dispersal at Keeneland January in 2021. B-Shimokobe Farm (KY)

### Sunday, May 12, 2024

7th-TOK, ¥14,880,000 (\$96k), Allowance, 3yo, 1400m ROLY GLORY (f, 3, Justify--Roly Poly, by War Front), a sound second debuting going six furlongs at Nakayama Jan. 20, graduated narrowly when last seen in a 1400-meter dirt maiden at Tokyo Feb. 18 (video, SC 9). The bay filly is the first produce

for her dam, winner of the G1 Sun Chariot S., G1 Falmouth S. and G1 Prix Rothschild and runner-up in the 2017 G1 Irish 1000 Guineas. Roly Poly's dam Misty For Me (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) saluted in the last-named event back in 2011, and her other winners include multiple champion and MG1SW U S Navy Flag (War Front) and Cover Song (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), a \$2.3-million buyback at Keeneland November last fall. This is also the family of G1SW Ballydoyle (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) and Justify's Group 3 winner Red Riding Hood (Ire). Roly Glory is owned by Insel Racing, who also campaign Awesome Result (Justify), winner of the Listed Empress Hai earlier this week. B-Orpendale/Chelston/ Wynatt (KY)

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### FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, MAY 10

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Honest Mischief (Into Mischief), Sequel New York

72 foals of racing age

1-Belmontthe Big A, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Man From Malta, 20-1

\$46,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$17,000 OBS MAR 2yo

King for a Day (Uncle Mo), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$5,000

41 foals of racing age

1-Belmontthe Big A, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Soontobeking, 5-1 \$80,000 OBS MAR 2yo

McKinzie (Street Sense), Gainesway Farm, \$30,000

170 foals of racing age

1-Belmontthe Big A, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Richard Ave, 2-1 \$170,000 SAR AUG yrl

Cont.



Baytown Boo Boo (by Instagrand) delivers his sire's first win (click to watch)

**Promises Fulfilled** (Shackleford), WinStar Farm, \$5,000 28 foals of racing age

2-Santa Anita, 4:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Runnin On Promises, 5-2

Spun to Run (Hard Spun), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000

89 foals of racing age

2-Santa Anita, 4:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Night Beacon, 8-5 \$45.000 KEE JAN wnl

Tiz the Law (Constitution), Coolmore Ashford, \$20,000

97 foals of racing age

1-Belmontthe Big A, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Out On Bail, 7-2 \$40,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$110,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000

124 foals of racing age

1-Belmontthe Big A, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Vamonos Vamonos, 8-1 \$27,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$45,000 OBS MAR 2yo

### **SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, MAY 10**

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Breaking Lucky (Lookin At Lucky), Blue Star Racing 55 foals of racing age/3 winners 2-Santa Anita, 4:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Lucky Nea, 10-1 \$9,500 OBS WIN wnl; \$7,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Catholic Boy (More Than Ready), Claiborne Farm, \$10,000 161 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner 4-Gulfstream, 2:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Ernestina, 9-2 \$19,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$60,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Demarchelier (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500

99 foals of racing age/23 winners

5-Lone Star, 9:23 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, Illustrator, 7-2 \$17,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$24,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo

5-Lone Star, 9:23 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, Kentucky Dawn, 3-1 \$3,000 FTK OCT yrl

**Dynamic Racer** (Run Away and Hide), R.C. Cline T-bred Farm 17 foals of racing age/2 winners

7-Belterra, 3:15 p.m. EDT, \$75K Daryl E. Parker Memorial Tall Stack S., 6 1/2f, C V Dynamic, 12-1

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000 200 foals of racing age/36 winners/4 black-type winners

8-Churchill Downs, 4:22 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1 1/16mT, Bella Haze, 8-1 \$75,000 OBS MAR 2yo

2-Churchill Downs, 1:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Flaming Glory, 30-1

\$15,000 FTK OCT yrl

1-Prairie Meadows, 7:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, My Heart's On Fire, 3-1 \$23,000 IOW OCT yrl

**Heart to Heart** (English Channel), Crestwood Farm 60 foals of racing age/8 winners 4-Gulfstream, 2:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Bianka Heart, 30-1

\$10,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$4,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000 231 foals of racing age/45 winners/4 black-type winners 7-Belterra, 3:15 p.m. EDT, \$75K Daryl E. Parker Memorial Tall Stack S., 6 1/2f, Alwaysintomischief, 2-1 \$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$75,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$72,000 OBS

3-Prairie Meadows, 7:54 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Cel's Star, 2-1 8-Churchill Downs, 4:22 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1 1/16mT, Liuzza, 6-1 \$100,000 KEE SEP yrl

8-Belmontthe Big A, 4:43 p.m. EDT, Aoc 7f, Thirteen Red Flags, 12-1 \$32,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$70,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$19,000 EAS MAY 2yo; \$5,500 FTD OCT 2yo

Om (Munnings), Harris Farms

91 foals of racing age/3 winners 3-Golden Gate Fields, 5:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Sensational Z Z, 9-5 \$9,000 RNA FTC AYR yrl

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000 291 foals of racing age/38 winners/4 black-type winners 4-Gulfstream, 2:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Far and Few, 4-5 \$90,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

**Solomini** (Curlin), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$7,500 142 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners 8-Belmontthe Big A, 4:43 p.m. EDT, Aoc 7f, Sohana, 4-1 \$200,000 OBS MAR 2yo

### **Spiritus Invictus (War Front)**

9 foals of racing age/1 winner

1-Charles Town, 7:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Char Bar's Legacy, 20-1

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

309 foals of racing age/48 winners/2 black-type winners

5-Churchill Downs, 2:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/8mT, Cabernaydo, 10-1 \$60,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$65,000 FTD FEB 2yo

7-Churchill Downs, 3:50 p.m. EDT, Alw 1 3/16m, Next Level, 3-1 \$20,000 KEE SEP vrl

8-Belmontthe Big A, 4:43 p.m. EDT, Aoc 7f, P Mutter Pickle, 2-1 \$125,000 SAR AUG yrl

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$5,000 129 foals of racing age/25 winners/1 black-type winner 8-Gulfstream, 4:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Guaio, 12-1 \$25,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$32,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$17,000 OBS MAR 2yo; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo 5-Lone Star, 9:23 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1mT, No Trouble, 10-1 \$20,000 KEE NOV wnl





### **STAKES RESULTS:**

- **J. WILLIAM PETRO MEMORIAL S.**, \$75,000, Thistledown, 5-9, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:49.26, sy.
- 1--CANDLELIGHT HOURS, 123, m, 5, Dominus--Nava, by Even the Score. O/B-Elkhorn Oaks (OH); T-James Jackson; J-T. Houghton. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 25-11-7-6, \$562,710. \*1/2 to Timeless Bounty (Elusive Hour), SW, \$231,214; Full to City Scene, SW, \$135,160.
- 2--Windy Lu Who, 117, m, 7, Justin Phillip--Windsail, by Grand Appointment. (\$0 RNA Ylg '18 OHIOCT). O-Richard Burnsworth Ultra Championship Racing; B-Susan Anderson Racing (OH); T-Anthony Farrior. \$15,000.
- 3--R Three Angels, 118, m, 5, Kiss the Ghost--Hot Tub Holiday, by Harlan's Holiday. (\$3,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT). O/T-Jason DaCosta; B-CFP Thoroughbreds LLC (OH). \$7,500.

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**7th-Belmont The Big A, \$105,000**, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 5-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:49.77, ft, nose.

KUCHAR (h, 5, Uncle Mo--Street Girl {SW & MGISP, \$446,716}, by Street Hero) Lifetime Record: MSP, 14-4-3-3, \$362,340. O-LSU Stables; B-WinStar (KY); T-Rudy Rodriguez. \*\$500,000 3yo '22 FTKHRA.

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**7th-Pimlico, \$48,300**, (C), 5-9, (C), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.01, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

MOSLER TIME (g, 4, Mosler--Curlins Queen, by Curlin) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$71,150. O-Durr Racing Stable and Shawn Newsome; B-Carl Lanier (MD); T-Cathal A. Lynch.

### ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

**3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$37,440**, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 5-9, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.57, ft, 1/2 length. **ADIOS GARY (g, 5, Adios Charlie--Glittering Georgia, by Texas Glitter)** Lifetime Record: 19-4-2-5, \$128,259. O/T-Joseph D. Davis; B-Linda S. Pastor (FL).

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**8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000**, (S), 5-9, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.53, ft, 1 length.

**GIO'S BABY GIRL (m, 5, Gio Ponti--Quiet by Seven, by Quiet American)** Lifetime Record: 22-2-8-1, \$135,355. O-Ron D. Herrell and Keith Wexler; B/T-Ron D. Herrell (IN).

**2nd-Penn National, \$36,000**, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 5-8, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:41.88, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

CLASSIC UNION (c, 4, Classic Empire--Dixie's Comfort, by Dixie Union) Lifetime Record: 17-6-0-4, \$174,416. O-Happy Tenth; B-Peter Alafoginis/Marlo Egleston/Classic Empire Synd. (PA); T-Daniel Velazquez. \*\$10,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$43,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

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**5th-Penn National, \$36,000**, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 5-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.73, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

MIDNIGHT IN ALASKA (m, 5, Almasty--Working At Night {SP}, by Tiznow) Lifetime Record: 11-5-0-1, \$179,940. O-Stori Atchison; B-Mary Katherine Haire (PA); T-Kathleen A. Demasi. \*\$7,000 Ylg '20 OBSOCT; \$47,000 RNA 2yo '21 OBSOPN.

**1st-Penn National, \$35,650**, 5-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.23, fm, 2 lengths.

FIERCE AND STRONG (g, 4, Hoppertunity--Doubleclickdamouse, by Point of Entry) Lifetime Record: 16-5-3-2, \$107,186.

O/B-Ultra Championship Racing (PA); T-Michael W. Salvaggio, Jr.

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**3rd-Evangeline Downs, \$35,000**, (S), 5-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.78, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

KAN SHE (f, 4, Takeover Target--Juke {SP, \$151,879}, by Mr. Prospector) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$56,440. O-Daniel Galvan; B-Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC & J. Adcock (LA); T-Juan A. Larrosa. \*1/2 to Haka (Dynaformer), GSW & GISP, \$247,464.

**7th-Evangeline Downs, \$33,960**, 5-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.06, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

LAURI'S WISH (h, 5, Catalina Red--Laurigolightly, by Archarcharch) Lifetime Record: 22-6-3-3, \$158,295. O-Elite Tbred Racing; B-Tony Lenci & Chad Stewart (LA); T-Lee Thomas.

**4th-Belterra, \$27,600**, (S), 5-9, (NW4L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.97, ft, 3 lengths.

BUCKEYE BELLE (f, 4, Liam's Map--Lion Belle, by Lion Heart) Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, \$69,552. O/B-Maccabee Farm (OH); T-Thomas Drury, Jr. \*\$60,000 RNA Ylg '21 OTBOMX.

**6th-Belterra, \$27,600**, (S), 5-9, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.93, ft, 7 1/4 lengths.

SHADOWY (c, 3, National Flag--Feeling Ethereal, by Union Rags) Lifetime Record: SW, 10-4-2-3, \$173,640. O/B-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC & Brian Kahn (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.

**7th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$27,200**, 5-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:42.89, ft, 9 lengths.

**GET YOUR KICKS (f, 4, Quality Road--Cali Thirty Seven {MSW, \$271,060}, by Eskendereya)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$73,785. O-Bradley Thoroughbreds, Belmar Racing and Breeding, LLC and Jim Cone; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Robert Medina. \*\$100,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.



### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Buckeye Cruiser, f, 3, Catalina Cruiser--Industrial Policy, by Harlan's Holiday. Thistledown, 5-9, (S), 6f, 1:12.62. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$27,798. B-Maccabee Farm (OH). \*\$43,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$32,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

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Charming Jazel, f, 3, Charming Kitten--Pampered Vow, by Broken Vow. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5-9, (S), 1m 70y (off turf), 1:45.13. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$31,570. B-Triple D Partners LLC (IN). \*\$1,700 Ylg '22 INDMIX.

Silent Reason, g, 3, Point of Entry--Sweet Rose, by Hat Trick (Jpn). Evangeline Downs, 5-8, 1 1/16mT, 1:46.58. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-1-0-2, \$25,520. B-Joe Parker (KY). \*\$10,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV.

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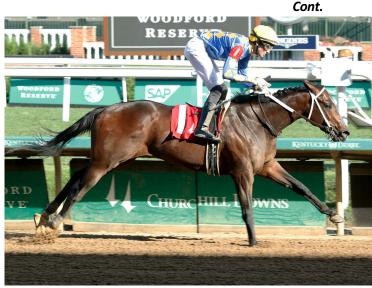
**Adios Charlie**, Adios Gary, g, 5, o/o Glittering Georgia, by Texas Glitter. AOC, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Almasty**, Midnight in Alaska, m, 5, o/o Working At Night, by Tiznow. AOC, 5-8, Penn National

Catalina Cruiser, Austin Cruise, c, 2, o/o Zurlin, by Curlin. MSW, 5-9, Churchill Downs

Catalina Cruiser, Buckeye Cruiser, f, 3, o/o Industrial Policy, by Harlan's Holiday. MSW, 5-9, Thistledown

**Catalina Red**, Lauri's Wish, h, 5, o/o Laurigolightly, by Archarcharch. ALW, 5-8, Evangeline



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**Charming Kitten**, Charming Jazel, f, 3, o/o Pampered Vow, by Broken Vow. MSW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Classic Empire**, Classic Union, c, 4, o/o Dixie's Comfort, by Dixie Union. AOC, 5-8, Penn National

**Cross Traffic**, Trotter, f, 3, o/o Stake, by Boundary. MSW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Dominus**, Candlelight Hours, m, 5, o/o Nava, by Even the Score. J. William Petro Memorial S., 5-9, Thistledown

**Gio Ponti**, Gio's Baby Girl, m, 5, o/o Quiet by Seven, by Quiet American. ALW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Hoppertunity**, Fierce and Strong, g, 4, o/o Doubleclickdamouse, by Point of Entry. ALW, 5-9, Penn National

**Instagrand**, Baytown Boo Boo, c, 2, o/o Profound Legacy, by Proud Citizen. MSW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Liam's Map**, Buckeye Belle, f, 4, o/o Lion Belle, by Lion Heart. ALW, 5-9, Belterra

**Mosler**, Mosler Time, g, 4, o/o Curlins Queen, by Curlin. ALW, 5-9, Pimlico

**National Flag**, Shadowy, c, 3, o/o Feeling Ethereal, by Union Rags. ALW, 5-9, Belterra

**Point of Entry**, Silent Reason, g, 3, o/o Sweet Rose, by Hat Trick (Jpn). MSW, 5-8, Evangeline

**Quality Road**, Get Your Kicks, f, 4, o/o Cali Thirty Seven, by Eskendereya. ALW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Ransom the Moon**, Luna Tap, c, 3, o/o Tapajo, by Tapit. MSW, 5-9, Horseshoe Indianapolis

**Takeover Target**, Kan She, f, 4, o/o Juke, by Mr. Prospector. ALW, 5-8, Evangeline

**Uncle Mo**, Kuchar, h, 5, o/o Street Girl, by Street Hero. AOC, 5-9, BAQ **Union Jackson**, Grand Opening, g, 3, o/o Ribbon Cutter, by Elusive Quality. MSW, 5-9, Pimlico

Union Rags, Catching Heat, f, 3, o/o Philly Mignon, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 5-9, BAQ



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### By Emma Berry

Since the turn of this century we have been blessed to see some special fillies and mares win the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Zarkava (Fr) was followed by Danedream (Ger), Solemia (Ire), Found (Ire), Treve (Fr) and Enable (GB), with the last two named each winning the great race twice. The latest to add her name to that roll of honour was Kirsten Rausing's homebred Alpinista (GB), in 2022.

This season the daughter of Frankel (GB) has become a mother for the first time after foaling a filly by Dubawi (Ire) in mid-February. Rausing, the owner of Lanwades Stud in Newmarket, is understandably proud of her six-time Group 1 winner who, now seven, is a fifth-generation of the Lanwades lynchpin Alruccaba (GB) (Crystal Palace {GB}) and from the family which includes the dual G1 Champion S. winner Alborada (GB) (Alzao), a full-sister to Alpinista's granddam and fellow Group 1 winner Albanova (GB).

"What I always say about Alpinista is that she is, of course, incapable of doing anything wrong. She is a wonderful heroine," says the owner-breeder. "Last year she went in foal immediately at first attempt, and she has a really nice grey filly foal by Dubawi." Cont. p3

### "MY TOUGHEST YEAR BY FAR" - CALDER HOPING FOR MUCH-NEEDED TONIC AT

**ARQANA** By Brian Sheerin

DEAUVILLE, France--Nothing good usually comes from constant scrolling on Instagram. That was until last week, when a poem popped up from none other than Muhammad Ali, widely considered one of the greatest fighters of all time--and not a bad poet and philosopher it would seem.

The poem read, "Friendship is a priceless gift, that cannot be bought or sold but its value is far greater than a mountain made of gold. For gold is cold and lifeless it can neither be seen nor heard. In times of trouble, it is powerless to cheer. Gold has no ears to listen to. No heart to understand. It cannot bring you comfort or reach out a helping hand. So when you ask God for a gift, be thankful if he sends it." Cont. p4

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Iznik (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) became the latest stakes winner for her sire in the Listed Prix Urban Sea on Thursday. The 4-year-old was a €250,000 Arqana December Sale purchase and she now races in the colours of Jean-Claude Seroul. | Photo Credit

### POINT LONSDALE DOMINATES ORMONDE

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'TDN Rising Star' Point Lonsdale (Ire) (Australia {GB}) added the G3 Ormonde S. to his resume.

### CHESTER MEETING CONTINUES WITH HUXLEY STAKES 7

The G2 Huxley S. marks the return of Passenger (Ulysses {Ire}) at Chester. Tom Frary has the preview.

### **CAPULET CROWNED IN DEE STAKES**

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Justify's Capulet won the Listed Dee S. at Chester on Thursday.

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### Alpinista & Kirsten Rausing Cont. from p1

She says, "Everything has gone well with both mare and foal, and again she's done it all completely right this year. She's back in foal to Study Of Man, so we're very excited to have her in foal to this up-and-coming horse."

Six years ago this week, the
Niarchos family homebred Study
Of Man (Ire), by Deep Impact (Jpn)
out of a Storm Cat daughter of
Miesque, won the G2 Prix
Greffulhe en route to landing the
G1 Prix du Jockey Club. He began
his second career at Lanwades in
2020, covering 71 mares in his
first year, and the resultant
offspring are now three-year-olds.
It is fair to say that his burgeoning
success has been one of the
talking points of the season to
date, with Rausing admitting that



Study Of Man | Emma Berry

the phone has been ringing hot in the Lanwades office with a new wave of breeders keen to book a mare to Study Of Man.

"At the moment he is exceeding my expectations. It is exciting

that Study Of Man can do this with a limited number of mares," she says. "Things are really looking very exciting for the future." His five black-type performers from that first crop are led by

last season's G2 Beresford S. winner Deepone (GB), who has

been entered by trainer Paddy Toomey for the Irish 2,000 Guineas on May 25.

Recent Listed winner Birthe (Ire) is entered for Sunday's G2 Prix Saint-Alary, while Sunday's Pretty Polly S. runner-up Kalpana (GB) holds a G2 Ribblesdale entry along with Rausing's Francophone (GB), a winner at two and three, who could also be seen in next week's G3 Musidora S.

Sons And Lovers (GB), a winner on debut at Newmarket and subsequently third in the G3 Craven S., and the G3 Premio

Parioli (Italian 2,000 Guineas) third Ghorgan (Ger) are also noteworthy.

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The TDN's Emma Berry checks in with Kirsten Rausing, Alpinista and her Dubawi filly. Click above for more. | Emma Berry

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### **Alpinista & Kirsten Rausing Cont.**

"The winners keep coming; every day there's a new Study Of Man winner and some of them look quite exciting, such as the Juddmonte filly Kalpana," Rausing says.

"We hope Sons And Lovers may also prove to be more than useful. He is heading for the [Listed] Heron Stakes at Sandown to start with, and then we'll see what happens."

It is clearly a boost for Study Of Man to have Alpinista in his book for 2024. The mare appears to have taken to motherhood seamlessly and along with her own star offspring at Lanwades is Alpinista's full-brother, who is the result of the third mating of her dam Alwilda (GB) with champion sire Frankel.

A Listed winner in her racing days, Alwilda is by the late Lanwades resident Hernando (Fr), another Prix du Jockey Club winner for the Niarchos family. The 14-year-old mare also has a yearling filly by Frankel and has recently been covered by Sea The Stars, which means that her next foal will be bred on the cross which has produced the Group 1 winners Sea Of Class (Ire) and Sea La Rosa (Ire). The mare's second foal, Listed winner Alpenblume (GB) (Kendargent {Fr}), has also recently joined the Lanwades broodmare band and is now in foal to Frankel, while her two-year-old half-sister, Alpetta (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}), is in training with Sir Mark Prescott.

"Alpinista has a yearling full-sister, a very nice filly, slightly taller than Alpinista, and bay, not grey. She will go to the sales," Rausing announces, before adding with no little understatement. "So that will hopefully create a bit of interest."

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### Argana Breeze-Up Cont. from p1

Anna Calder was dealt what many would deem a knockout punch when breaking her leg in two places, rupturing her shoulder and suffering a concussion when one of the younger horses bolted and unshipped her in a freak fall on the gallops back in January.

When you run a small breeze-up operation, you tend to drive the box, ride out, muck out, do the administration, etc. But what happens when the person responsible for all of those jobs is sidelined indefinitely? Good friends are required.

"A horse bolted the wrong way down the gallop at home," Calder recalls of the horror incident. "It was a January morning so the ground on either side of the gallop was frozen rock solid. The horse couldn't make the bend he was going that fast and he just slipped and fell over on top of me. I was stuck underneath him with a shattered tibia and fibula. I also ruptured all the ligaments in my collarbone and got a concussion. It was a proper job." Cont. p5



### **Argana Breeze-Up Cont.**

She added, "Roger Marley took a lot of my horses as I could literally do nothing. He had an injury himself last year--he did his pelvis. But Roger was lucky in that he had the staff and a long established system that the horses could slot into. I didn't.

"Not only that, I was renting a yard 15 minutes away but wasn't able to drive so I couldn't even get there. Roger put his hand up straight away and said he'd take as many as he could and [Brendan] 'Blarney' Holland was also very good to take some horses as well.

"Between Roger, Blarney and John Cullinan, who is without doubt one of the kindest men in the industry, I have been very lucky to have benefited from some great help. I wouldn't have been able to get these horses

here without them and the girls--Helen Cronin and Gwendolyn Ghrist--at home in the yard."

It's not just the physical pain that comes with such a

bone-crunching fall that Calder has had to negotiate this year. Along with many consignors, the woman behind Leamore Horses has been left hurting at some of the domestic breeze-up sales.

But Calder has a habit of picking herself up off the canvas and

her Bolt D'Oro colt [lot 158, who was bought for \$95,000] in particular caught the attention of some shrewd judges in the breeze on Thursday.

"To be honest, the Bolt D'Oro was one of those horses I never expected to be able to buy," Calder explained. "We sat in the ring for about 20 minutes after he went through and were like, 'did we really just buy that horse?' I have a bunch of American horses this year. I really like the sales over there and Chad Schumer helped me out a lot. We got the



Anna Calder (left) and Monika Kaczorek with the Leamore Horses-drafted Justify colt at Argana | Brian Sheerin

Justify [lot 14] out there as well. He breezed very well and galloped out well as well. He's a very good mover and wants a mile-and-a-quarter." Cont. p6

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# Night Of Thunder

**Dubawi's heir apparent:** his fifth crop, bred off a €25k fee, is the best crop of three-year-olds in Europe, with more winners than any other, and second only to Dubawi himself by Group winners.

STALLIONS WITH GROUP-WINNING THREE-YEAR-OLDS BY WINNERS (WITH GROUP WINNERS)

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1	<b>Night Of Thunder</b>	22	(2)
2	Dubawi	19	(4)
	Frankel	19	(1)
	Kingman	19	(1)
5	Too Darn Hot	17	(1)
	Lope de Vega	17	(1)

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### Argana Breeze-Up Cont.

Given what Calder has been through this year, a good result or two when the Arqana Breeze-Up Sale gets underway on Saturday would mean the world. In many ways, it would make things extra special.

She said, "It's been a really hard year. It's been my toughest year by far--physically and mentally. Trying to train horses from your bed is a pretty challenging thing. It felt like everything had been going right, and I was delighted with the bunch of horses I had, but then found myself lying on the ground waiting for an ambulance in January.

The one thing I knew was that I had a lot of friends around me who were willing to help me out. The people at the breeze-ups have an amazing way of rallying around each other and just making things happen. When somebody is in trouble, there is always a person there to help. That's a real testimony to the industry. It really warms the heart."

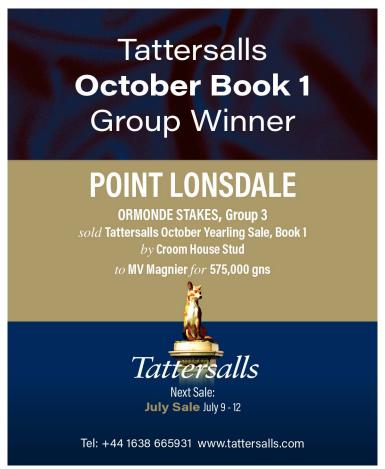


X-ray of Calder's broken leg | Anna Calder

## POINT LONSDALE DOMINANT IN THE ORMONDE by Tom Frary

The epitome of stable stalwart, one-time **TDN Rising Star Point Lonsdale (Ire)** (Australia {GB}) went back to Chester's May Festival on Thursday to register a second success at the Roodee's main fixture. While his dogged win in the mile-and-a-quarter G2 Huxley S. 12 months ago was all about graft and effort, the 5-year-old was far more in his comfort zone if not super-smooth over the extended 13 furlongs of this G3 Ormonde S.

Managing a distant third in the G1 Coronation Cup and threelengths fourth in the G1 Champion S. in seven starts since his latest success at this meeting, the 13-8 favourite had an ideal lead throughout the early stages but needed his customary cajoling from Ryan Moore to fully engage as the pressure



increased in the back straight.

More of a diesel than petrol engine, Point Lonsdale was able to build into full momentum with no class rival in attendance and once in front over a furlong out was never going to be threatened. At the line, the admirable 5-year-old held a 6 1/2-length margin over last year's G3 Chester Vase winner **Arrest** (Ire) (Frankel {GB}).

"Horses like him are great to have around, he's tough, genuine and versatile," Aidan O'Brien said. "You can run him over all sorts of trips, he's comfortable at 10 furlongs, today was the furthest he's gone but he could even get further. What today has done is open up all sorts of options. He could drop back to 10 for a Tattersalls Gold Cup, go to the Coronation at Epsom over a mile and a half, the Hardwicke at Ascot or even the Gold Cup, all those sorts of races."

John Gosden said of Arrest, "He ran great, but the ground has dried up too much for him. He just wasn't in love with the ground, unfortunately."

### **Pedigree Notes**

A full-brother to Broome (Ire), Point Lonsdale has some catching up to do but while he will probably always be in the shadow of the stable's seven-times group-winning 10-to-12-furlong horse, it is remarkable how similar they are. Cont. p7

### **G3** Ormande S. Cont.

Broome was also five when registering a career-best success in the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and finishing second in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf and six when recording an overall personal best in the G2 Hardwicke S., so there is still time for his sibling.

Point Lonsdale is one of a trio of group winners out of the Listed National S. winner and GIII Appalachian S. runner-up Sweepstake alongside the yard's 2023 G2 Champion Juvenile S. scorer and Derby prospect Diego Velazquez (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), who at this stage is her last known foal. This is the Hesmonds Stud family of the group-winning mares Dust Dancer (GB) (Suave Dancer), Bulaxie (GB) (Bustino {GB}), Claxon (GB) (Caerleon) and Cassydora (GB) (Darshaan {GB}), among others.

Dust Dancer is the second dam of Ballydoyle's G1 Phoenix S. hero and notable sire Zoffany (Ire) and Frankel's G2 Futurity S. winner Rostropovich (Ire), while Cassydora produced the stable's triple Group 3 winner Ernest Hemingway (Ire) by Australia's sire Galileo (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and the G3 Prix d'Aumale scorer Toulifaut (Ire) also by Rostropovich's and Diego Velazquez's sire Frankel.



Point Lonsdale and Ryan Moore | Getty Images

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1st Dam: Sweepstake (Ire) (SW & GSP-Eng, SW & GSP-US, \$114,162), by Acclamation (GB)

2nd Dam: Dust Flicker (GB), by Suave Dancer 3rd Dam: Galaxie Dust, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

'TDN Rising Star'. (575,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT). O-D Smith,Mrs J Magnier,M Tabor,Westerberg; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £78,428. Lifetime Record:

MGSW & G1SP-Ire, G1SP-Eng, GSP-Bah, 16-7-1-2, \$829,366. \*Full to Broome (Ire), G1SW-Fr, GSW-UAE, MGSW & G1SP-Ire, GSW-Eng, GISP-US, \$2,814,348, 1/2 to Diego Velazquez (Ire) (Frankel {GB}), GSW-Ire, \$107,616. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. \*Triple Plus\*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree,

2--Arrest (Ire), 128, c, 4, Frankel (GB)--Nisriyna (Ire), by Intikhab. (€440,000 Wlg '20 GOFNOV). O-Juddmonte; B-Swordlestown Little (IRE); T-John & Thady Gosden. £29,862.

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3--Alsakib (GB), 128, c, 4, Kingman (GB)--America Nova (Fr), by Verglas (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. (85,000gns RNA Ylg '21 TATOCT). O-Al Wasmiyah Stud; B-Al Wasmiyah Farm (GB); T-Andrew Balding. £14,952.

Margins: 6HF, 3/4, HF. Odds: 1.63, 2.75, 4.00.

Also Ran: Deauville Legend (Ire), Enemy (GB), L'Astronome (GB).

Scratched: Wynter Wildes (GB).

### RACE PREVIEWS



### PASSENGER RETURNS AT CHESTER

by Tom Frary

Sir Michael Stoute's mastery of knowing when to press and when to relent with his horses has resulted in a rarefied finetuning of training older horses bordering on cliche. On Friday at Chester we see another budding kingpin from Freemason Lodge in Passenger (Ulysses {Ire}), who starts a potentially significant 4-year-old campaign in the G2 Ire-Incentive, It Pays To Buy Irish Huxley S. Such a live contender for the Derby just two runs after his debut in Newmarket's "Wood Ditton", the Niarchos homebred was unable to build on his promising third in York's G2 Dante S. at Epsom before showing up once more when winning a tight race in the G3 Winter Hill S. at Windsor.

Once the Derby was done and dusted, it was probably always going to be about what this colt would be doing in 2024 and at this stage he is following an eerily similar path to his sire who came back from an identical no-show in the Blue Riband to conquer the G1 Eclipse S. and G1 Juddmonte International the following season. Alan Cooper, the longstanding racing manager for the owner-breeders, is among those keenly anticipating what Newmarket's Knight is able to conjure from his latest project.

"Sir Michael takes his horses along gently and has given Passenger plenty of time to mature and Friday is hopefully the first step on a good 4-year-old season," he said. "It will hopefully be a good start to an exciting year. He's got some very nice entries and has wintered well and, as always, we'll take it step by step and see how Friday goes and take things from there."





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Sir Michael Stoute | Tattersalls

#### **Chester Preview Cont.**

Another unexposed 4-year-old in the line-up for the 10-furlong contest is Ballydoyle's **TDN Rising Star Hans Andersen (GB)** (Frankel {GB}), whose Classic campaign was also truncated following a promising win in the Listed Ballylinch Stud 2000 Guineas Trial S. last April, while Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum's G1 Champion S. fifth **Royal Rhyme (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) adds further intrigue. Trainer Karl Burke is looking at the racing surface before committing. "I don't want the ground to dry out too much, but he's ready to run and as long as the ground is safe, I'd be keen to let him take his chance I think," he said.

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# **EUROPEAN NEWS**

# NOTABLE SPEECH JOINS LONGINES WBRR IN JOINT-THIRD AFTER GUINEAS TRIUMPH

Godolphin's undefeated G1 QIPCO 2,000 Guineas hero

Notable Speech (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) has joined the Longines

World's Best Racehorse Rankings in a joint-third at a mark of

121 after his Newmarket score, the International Federation of

Horseracing Authorities announced on Thursday.

Juddmonte's G1 Dubai World Cup winner Laurel River (Into Mischief) leads the table at 128, with fellow Godolphin colourbearer and G1 Dubai Sheema Classic hero Rebel's Romance (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) second at 123. Sharing third with the Guineas winner are National Treasure (Quality Road) and Senor Buscador (Mineshaft).

Nine horses share a mark of 120, with newcomer and GI

Kentucky Derby hero **Mystik Dan** (Goldencents) joining that grouping, alongside G1 Queen Elizabeth S. heroine **Pride Of Jenni (Aus)** (Pride Of Dubai {Aus}), GI Maker's Mark Mile S. winner **Master Of The Seas (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) winner **Justin Milano (Jpn)** (Kizuna {Jpn}). Mystik Dan's narrowly defeated rivals **Sierra Leone** (**Gun Runner**) and **Forever Young (Jpn)** (Real Steel {Jpn}) are both now ranked 119.

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# BROSAY TOPS TATTERSALLS ONLINE MAY SALE

The winning **Brosay (GB)** (Tasleet {GB}) (lot 87) topped the Tattersalls Online May Sale when selling for 60,000gns to Gary Gillies on Thursday.

The two-year-old colt already has a win from three runs, and his dam is a half-sister to the G3 Curragh S. third Blood Moon (GB) (Equiano {Fr}). He was consigned by Diego Dias Racing as the property of Star Bloodstock.

"We're not entirely sure what the immediate plan will be but Royal Ascot is definitely on the agenda. He could run under the ownership of my syndicate racingclub.com but that is to be decided," said Gillies.

Night Of Thunder (Ire)'s winning three-year-old filly **Completed (GB)** (lot 16) was second at the close of trade, selling for 47,000gns to Gordian Troeller Bloodstock, also on behalf of Gillies. From the draft of Baroda Stud, the bay is from the family of Group 3 Prix de Lieurey winner Zibelina (Ire) (Dansili {GB}).

Manor Farm Bloodstock paid 45,000gns for lot 4, the unraced Frankel (GB) three-year-old filly Violet Wings (Ire). The Baroda Stud-consigned filly's dam is the stakes winner and multiple Group 3-placed Monroe Bay (Ire) (Makfi {GB}). Cont. p9



**Brosay** | Tattersalls Online

#### **Tattersalls Online May Sale Cont.**

The fourth and final lot to break the 40,000gns mark was Cedar Creek (GB) (Frankel {GB}) (lot 14), who changed hands for 41,000gns to Fforest Star Racing, Ltd. Consigned by Andrew Balding's Kingsclere Training Stables, the three-year-old colt is unraced, but his second dam is the European champion Shiva (Jpn) (Hector Protector).

Overall, 55 horses sold from 76 offered (72%) for a gross of 527,650gns. The average was 9,594gns, and the median was 5,500gns.

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### **50TH TATTERSALLS IRELAND DERBY CATALOGUE RELEASED**

The 50th edition of the Tattersalls Ireland Derby Sale catalogue was released on Thursday.



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Featuring 406 stores, the sale is set for June 26-27 and begins at 10:30 a.m. each morning. All lots catalogued are eligible for the €100,000 Tattersalls Ireland George Mernagh Memorial Sales Bumper 2025. A wide variety of sires have progeny on offer, including Doctor Dino (Fr), Maxios (GB), Great Pretender (Ire), Walk In The Park (Ire), Beaumec De Houelle (Fr), Crystal Ocean (GB), Poet's Word (Ire), Getaway (Ger), Affinisea (Ire), Blue Bresil (Fr), and No Risk At All (Fr).

Tattersalls Ireland CEO Simon Kerins said, "The Derby Sale has a rich history, and each of the previous 49 editions have consistently produced impeccably bred, quality individuals from Ireland's leading Store vendors. We made every effort to compile a catalogue that reflected the significance of the 50th Derby Sale, and I have full confidence that our 2024 graduates will make their mark on the biggest stage."

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#### **EQUINE CARE RACECOURSE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME LAUNCHED BY HRI**

A new €1-million Equine Care Racecourse Capital Development Scheme to further enhance racecourse safety measures was launched by Horse Racing Ireland (HRI) on Thursday.

Two initial areas are being targeted by the new scheme. The first improvement is to have identification markers on all hurdles and fences at the 23 racecourses staging jump racing will be converted from orange to white in line with best international practice, and there will be a linked move away from the traditional birch hurdles to non-birch hurdles by the end of 2025. The second improvement area will be to introduce appropriately sized trot-up areas to facilitate veterinary inspections, including a rubberised surface for consistency, at all racecourses by the start of their 2025 racing seasons. In each case, grants of 50% and 40% will be offered towards replacing hurdles and improving trot-up areas, respectively. The former was agreed upon following discussions with the Association of Irish Racecourses (AIR), and that procurement will be managed through HRI. The next phase of the scheme will be to target the supply of water, both in terms of adding or expanding reservoirs at racecourses. For more information on the scheme, please visit the HRI website.

John Osborne, HRI Equine Welfare and Bloodstock Director, said, "HRI's new Strategic Plan 2024-2028 has set human and equine care and safety as our highest priority. This investment targets race safety in the most specific way, producing an immediate improvement for our horses."

# RECORD TURNOUT FOR RACING TOGETHER COMMUNITY DAY

Wednesday's Racing Together Community Day featured a record turnout of organisations across the racing and bloodstock industries volunteering in their local communities. A number of teams were active with other groups targeting their events during the month.

John Blake, CEO of Racing Together said, "To see almost 80 organisations sign up to Community Day is a great tribute to the motivation and positive values shared by industry colleagues nationwide.

"Our team had no need to sell the concept or cajole volunteers who, as in previous years, have mobilised to take their teamworking out of the office, yard or racecourse and into a community setting where their efforts will make a significant difference."

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# FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Friday, May 10, 2024:

#### **FRANCE**

Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 109 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-MAR.BORELY, 1200m, Reux (Fr) €67,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022; €90,000 Arqana Deauville August Yearling Sale 2023

Romanised (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot

84 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-MAR.BORELY, 1200m, **Young and Proud (Fr)** €15,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 26 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-MAR.BORELY, 1200m, Marvin of Success (Fr)

#### **IRELAND**

Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud
83 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-CORK, 5f, Altoir Na Greine (Ire)
€10,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €10,000 Tattersalls
Ireland September Yearling 2023
1-CORK, 5f, Rock N Roll Rocket (Ire)
£11,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 109 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-CORK, 5f, Powerful Lady (Fr)

€8,500 Arqana Deauville Yearling Sale V2 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud 121 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners 1-CORK, 5f, Captain Gallagher (GB) £11,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023



Yafta has a runner in France | Haras de la Haie Neuve/Sabine Losch

# **OBSERVATIONS**

on the European racing scene

#### **HOW THEY FARED**

**15.05** Chester, Listed, £100,000, 3yo, c/g, 10f 70yT Cayton Park Stud homebred God's Window (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), third in last term's G1 Futurity Trophy, fluffed his lines at the break and finished last of four, beaten six lengths, in this Classic trial.



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# BRITAIN

Thursday's Results:

**BOODLES RAINDANCE DEE S.-Listed**, £100,000, Chester, 5-9, 3yo, c/g, 10f 70yT, 2:10.67, gd.

1--CAPULET, 128, c, 3, by Justify

1st Dam: Wedding Vow (Ire) (GSW-Ire, G1SP-Eng,

\$316,572), by Galileo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Remember When (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire)

3rd Dam: Lagrion, by Diesis (GB)

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**. O-Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Orpendale, Wynatt & Chelston (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £56,020. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng & Ire, 5-2-1-2, \$141,852.

- 2--Bracken's Laugh (Ire), 128, c, 3, Zoffany (Ire)--Guardia (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). 1ST BLACK TYPE. (€35,000 Wlg '21 GOFNO1; €55,000 Ylg '22 TATIRY; 200,000gns 2yo '23 TATBRG). O-Bernardine & Sean Mulryan; B-Guardia Partnership (IRE); T-Richard Hughes. £21,330.
- 3--Jayarebe (Fr), 131, c, 3, Zoffany (Ire)--Alakhana (Fr), by Dalakhani (Ire). (€180,000 Ylg '22 ARQDOY). O-Iraj Parvizi; B-Oliver Pawle (FR); T-Brian Meehan. £10,680.

Margins: HF, 3 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 3.50, 5.50, 1.75.

Also Ran: God's Window (GB). Scratched: Harper's Ferry (GB).



Capulet | Getty Images

Coolmore's Capulet followed up an Aug. 15 debut victory at Dundalk with placed efforts in September's G2 Golden Fleece S. and G2 Royal Lodge S., and went postward for Thursday's Listed Boodles Raindance Dee S. at Chester coming back off a third over one mile at Chelmsford, behind the reopposing Bracken's Laugh, on sophomore return last month.

Sent into an immediate lead by Ryan Moore, the 7-2 chance

held sway throughout the extended 10-furlong test and stayed on relentlessly under continued urging inside the final half-mile to hold the late threat of Bracken's Laugh by a half-length and secure a record-equalling 11th renewal for Aidan O'Brien. Last month's impressive Listed Feilden S. winner Jayarebe (Fr) (Zoffany {Ire}) finished 3 1/4 lengths adrift in third. In winning, Moore extended his race-record haul to seven.

"All the options are open to him now, we'll see how he is and it will be one of the Derbys in England or France, I'd have thought," the winning trainer revealed. "There's obviously the Irish Derby in the mix too, so all things are open now. He's a lovely, honest horse. He was a little bit free in front today, but did it nicely in the end. We took him to Chelmsford to see if he was going to go to Kentucky, but he was green there and he'd come on for that run."

Connections' Paul Smith commented, "That was very pleasing, I thought Ryan gave him a lovely ride and he appreciated the step up in trip. He's an uncomplicated horse and he travels well, so I suppose it will be the French Derby or the English Derby. We know he gets 10 furlongs well and he'd probably get a mile-anda-half the way he runs. We have the trials at the weekend and next week and Aidan will sit down with the lads and discuss the plan from there."

Moore added, "He was nicely drawn, there were only the four runners and he got into a nice rhythm and was able to build away. I was very happy with him, he came forward nicely from Chelmsford and the step up in trip has helped him. He's a horse who had good form last year and, with a bit of luck, he'll go on from here and improve again. I think the nicer ground and 10 furlongs suited him well, so there'll be plenty of options for him now."

Capulet is the fifth of seven foals and one of two scorers out of G2 Kilboy Estate S. victrix and G1 Nassau S. runner-up Wedding Vow (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), herself a full-sister to five black-type performers out of G1 Oaks runner-up Remember When (Ire) (Danehill Dancer (Ire)). They include G1 Derby hero Serpentine (Ire), G3 Blue Wind S. victrix and G1 Oaks third Bye Bye Baby (Ire) and G3 Gallinule S. winner Beacon Rock (Ire). Remember When, in turn, is kin to MG1SW sire Dylan Thomas (Ire) (Danehill), G1SW European champion Queen's Logic (Ire) (Grand Lodge) and G1 1000 Guineas heroine Homecoming Queen (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}). The April-foaled bay is a halfbrother to the unraced 2-year-old colt Saints N Scholars (Ire) (Quality Road) and a yearling filly by Wootton Bassett (GB).

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**2nd-Chester, £40,000, Mdn**, 5-9, 2yo, 6f 17yT, 1:15.45, gd. TEEJ A (IRE) (f, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Mild Illusion {Ire} {SW-Eng}, by **Requinto (Ire))**, an Apr. 20 debut runner-up going a shade over five furlongs at Nottingham in her only prior start, broke sharply from the inside gate and raced under restraint in a close-up third through halfway. Easing into second on the home turn, the 4-1 joint-second favourite was shaken up to launch her challenge passing the furlong pole and was ridden out to assert by 2 1/4 lengths from Rashabar (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}). "It went pretty much according to plan to be honest," said rider Clifford Lee. "She travelled well and as soon as we got to the cutaway away she went. That was important as you can get a lot of hard luck stories here. She's sharpened up a lot for her first run and she galloped through the line as well. She was green for her first run, but she's wiser now." Teej A is the second of three foals and first scorer produced by Listed Bosra Sham Fillies' S. victrix Mild Illusion (Ire) (Requinto {Ire}), herself out of a half-sister to Listed King Charles II S. third Courageous (Ire) (Refuse To Bend {Ire}). The March-foaled bay is half to a yearling filly by Persian Force (Ire). Sales history: 52,000gns Ylg '23 TATSOM. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$27,639.

**2nd-Chelmsford City, £8,000, Mdn**, 5-9, 3-5yo, f/m, 8f (AWT),

O-Nick Bradley Racing 5 & Elaine Burke; B-Tally-Ho Stud (IRE);

T-Karl Burke.

1:37.37, st.

D FLAWLESS (IRE) (f, 3, Make Believe {GB}--Savaanah {Ire} {SP-Fr}, by Olden Times {GB}), nosed out of a debut win at Kempton in December, soon held the lead. Always in control, the 1-6 favourite was pushed out to register a six-length verdict over Breckenridge (GB) (Masar {Ire}). The winner is the first foal out of the listed-placed dam, a relative of the GI Turf Classic-winning sire Joyeux Danseur whose second is the 2-year-old filly Remaat (GB) (Kodiac {GB}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$7,405. O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Limited (IRE); T-John & Thady Gosden.

**4th-Chelmsford City,** £**8,000, Mdn**, 5-9, 3-5yo, 10f (AWT), 2:06.59, st.

TABLETALK (IRE) (c, 3, Camelot {GB}--Dillydallydo {Ire}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), third on debut at Kempton in December, was handed an ideal lead throughout the early stages. Attacking on the home turn, the 13-8 favourite soon had the advantage and readily asserted to win eased down by 1 1/4 lengths from Hajara (GB) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}). The unraced dam, a half to Rock Of Gibraltar's multiple group-placed Drill Sergeant (GB) and Nobilis (GB), is a daughter of the dual listed scorer Dolydille (Ire) (Dolphin Street {Fr}) connected to the Sires Sholokhov (Ire) and Soldier Of Fortune (Ire). Also a half to the dam of the GIII

Tropical Turf S. winner Clear Vision (Artie Schiller) and to the second dam of the G3 Prix Sigy scorer Miramar (GB) (Profitable {Ire}), she has a 2-year-old filly by Ten Sovereigns (Ire) and a yearling filly by Sioux Nation to follow. Sales history: 24,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$6,482.

O-Abdulla Al Mansoori; B-Cottage Bloodstock (IRE); T-Tom Clover.

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

Validated (GB), g, 3, Iffraaj (GB)--Believable (GB), by Acclamation (GB). Brighton, 5-9, 6f 210yT, 1:23.21. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$11,853. B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd (GB). \*25,000gns RNA Ylg '22 TATOCT; 24,000gns 2yo '23 TATAHI.

### **IRELAND**

#### **CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**1st-Gowran**, €**14,500**, Cond, 5-9, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:37.52, sf. I AM SUPERMAN (IRE) (g, 8, Footstepsinthesand {GB}--Fastnet Lady {Ire}, by Fastnet Rock {Aus}) Lifetime Record: MGSW & G1SP-Aus, GSP-Ire & UAE, 39-8-4-2, \$591,409. O/T-Michael O'Callaghan; B-Michael Smith (IRE). \*€20,000 Wlg '16 GOFNOV; €49,000 Ylg '17 TIRSEP.

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

Vestigia (Ire), c, 3, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Sciolina (Ire) (MSW-Ity, \$112,648), by Oratorio (Ire). Gowran, 5-9, 8fT, 1:50.59. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, \$35,479. B-Coole House Farm Ltd (IRE). \*€100,000 Ylg '22 TATIRY. \*\*1/2 to Some Respect (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}), MSW & GSP-Ity, \$200,842; 1/2 to Erosandpsyche (Ire) (Sepoy {Aus}), G1SP-Ire, \$157,810.

### **FRANCE**

#### Thursday's Results:

PRIX ETALON MENDOCINO - HARAS DU LION - PRIX URBAN SEA - FEE-Listed, €48,000, Le Lion d'Angers, 5-9, 4yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:15.44, vs.

- 1--IZNIK (FR), 123, f, 4, Zarak (Fr)--Delinda (Fr), by Sea The Stars (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€85,000 Ylg '21 ARQOCT; €250,000 HRA '23 ARQDEC). O-Jean-Claude Seroul; B-SCEA Haras de Gratte Panche, M Ben Hamouda, S Torgeman & M Dardenne (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Enzo Crublet. €24,000. Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-0, €68,650.
- 2--Jordanella (Fr), 123, m, 5, Ectot (GB)--Shaheen Zain (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. (€20,000 HRA '21

ARQJUN). O-Samuel Geffray; B-Mme M L Besnouin & J M Feuillet-Besnouin (FR); T-Alain Couetil. €9,600.

3--Amneris (Ire), 123, f, 4, Dubawi (Ire)--Wiwilia (GB), by Konigstiger (Ger). (€900,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG). O-Juddmonte; B-M Wurtenberger & R Stockli (IRE); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €7,200.

Margins: HF, 3/4, HF. Odds: 6.30, 4.00, 5.20.

Also Ran: Secretive (Fr), Eagle Rose (Fr), Piensa En Mi (Fr), Wild Pansy (GB), Drummin Life (Ire), Kimina (Fr), Noir (Fr).

Runner-up in three races of this status last term and fourth in the G3 Prix Penelope, Iznik came back a more mature and stronger model to make the breakthrough here. Held up with two behind early, the  $\ensuremath{\in} 250,\!000$  Arqana December plunge had to come several horses wide into the straight but had command 150 metres from the line and stayed on strongly from there.

Iznik's unraced dam, whose 2-year-old colt Curragh Camp (Fr) (Romanised {Ire} was a €52,000 purchase by RPG Bloodstock at Arqana Deauville October, is a granddaughter of The Aga Khan's Daltaiyma (Ire) (Doyoun {Ire}) who was a full-sister to the high-class Daylami (Ire) and kin to the similarly-endowed champion Dalakhani (Ire). The family also includes the G1 Prix de l'Opera heroine Dalkala (Giant's Causeway). Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

**6th-ParisLongchamp, €38,000, Cond**, 5-9, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:20.86, sf.

BREIZH SKY (FR) (c, 4, Pedro The Great--Anna Danse (Fr), by Anabaa), a former TDN Rising Star dropping back to the courseand-distance of his last win in the G3 Prix Paul De Moussac in June, travelled strongly in the front line from the outset. Kicking decisively approaching the furlong pole, the 37-10 favourite had 3/4 of a length to spare over Breizh Eagle (Fr) (Bow Creek {Ire}) at the line. The winner hails from the family of Kaldoun's dual Group 3-winning sire Kaldounevees (Fr) (Kaldoun {Fr}), who was also runner-up in the GI Man o' War S. and G1 Bayerisches Zuchtrennen, the G1 Preis der Diana heroine Toskana Belle (Fr) (Shamalgan {Fr}) and the G3 Prix Gladiateur winner and G1 Prix du Cadran runner-up Varevees (GB) (Kahyasi {Ire}). The dam's 2year-old filly Breizh Danse (Fr) (Attendu {Fr}). Sales history: €14,000 RNA Ylg '21 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: GSW & MG1SP-Fr, 14-4-2-4, €325,085. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Alain Jathiere, Louis Baudron, Alessandro Botti & Giuseppe Botti & Ecurie Elag; B-Haras des Evees, Daniel Chero & Mme Claudie Cherdo (FR); T-Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti.

**3rd-ParisLongchamp,** €**28,000, Cond**, 5-9, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:41.16, sf. **OBSESS (FR) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Aurora Gold {GB}, by Frankel {GB})**, off the mark over 6 1/2 furlongs on Chantilly's Polytrack in March, used that natural pace to establish herself on the lead

and coast along unpestered. Shaking off Solinah (GB) (Siyouni (Fr) inside the final two furlongs, the 43-10 shot saw out the new trip strongly to score by two lengths. The dam, an unraced Juddmonte cast-off acquired by Bertrand Le Metayer Bloodstock for 550,000gns at the 2018 Tattersalls December Sale, is a half to the six-times Group 1 winner Midday (GB) (Oasis Dream **(GB)**). She is in turn responsible for three black-type performers including the dual Group 3 scorer Midterm (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) and Frankel's Listed Height of Fashion S. winner and G2 Ribblesdale S. runner-up Mori (GB), and also Frankel's Daytime (GB) who produced the recent G3 Prix Cleopatre winner Halfday (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). Also a full-sister to the G3 Hoppings S. winner and G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares S.-placed Sun Maiden (GB) from the family of Elmaamul and Reams Of Verse (Nureyev), Aurora Gold's 2-year-old colt Eupator (Fr) is by Persian King (Ire). Sales history: €240,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG; €300,000 2yo '23 ARQMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €32,900. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Qatar Racing Limited; B-S De Barros (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget.



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#### **CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

2nd-Le Lion d'Angers, €30,000, 5-9, 3yo, f, 10fT, 2:20.61, vs. LUIZA BERE (FR) (f, 3, Territories {Ire}--Broken Promise {Fr}, by Le Havre {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 10-3-2-3, €71,950. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Haras de la Haie Neuve, Gabriel Inv. Inc. & SAS Regnier (FR); T-Yann Barberot. \*€16,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT.



**7th-Lyon-Parilly, €16,000, Cond**, 5-9, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:17.76, sf. **LET THERE BE ROCK (FR) (g, 6, Fastnet Rock {Aus}--Paratonnerre {GB}, by Montjeu {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 34-9-3-3, €100,160. O-Philippe Hartzer; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm & Ecurie des Charmes (FR); T-Yoann Bonnefoy. \*€110,000 Ylg '19 ARQOCT; €6,500 3yo '21 ARQNOV. \*\*1/2 to Perama (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), GSW-Fr, \$106,140.

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

Gerbera (Ire), f, 3, Exceed And Excel (Aus)--Veil Of Silence (Ire), by Elusive Quality. Agen-Le Passage, 5-9, 6fT, 1:13.00.

B-Godolphin (IRE). \*Full to Mischief Magic (Ire), GISW-US, GSW-Eng & SW-UAE, \$857,302; and Sound And Silence (GB), GSW-Fr, MSW & GSP-Eng, SP-US, \$244,281.

Hatim (Fr), g, 3, French Fifteen (Fr)--Scandalous (Ger), by Monsun (Ger). Agen-Le Passage, 5-9, 12 1/2fT, 2:48.20. B-SCEA du Haras de Victot (FR).

A Beauregard (Fr), g, 3, Pour Moi (Ire)--Royale Demeure (Fr), by Gentlewave (Ire). Lyon-Parilly, 5-9, 12fT, 2:40.30. B-Jean-Louis Valerien-Perrin (FR).

King Of The World (Fr), g, 3, Ruler Of The World (Ire)--Erika (Fr), by Tiberius Caesar (Fr). Agen-Le Passage, 5-9, 9 1/4fT, 2:00.01. B-Mme Karine Morice & Plasman-PVP Racing (FR).

Mission Alpha (Fr), f, 3, Taj Mahal (Ire)--Cats On Trees (Fr), by Myboycharlie (Ire). ParisLongchamp, 5-9, 10fT, 2:09.14. B-Mell Elevages & Haras de la Haie Neuve (FR). \*€6,000 Ylg '22 ARQSEP.

Wootton Melody (Fr), c, 3, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Sage Melody (Fr) (GSP-Fr), by Sageburg (Ire). Lyon-Parilly, 5-9, 5fT, :59.61. B-Rashit Shaykhutdinov (FR). \*€175,000 RNA Wlg '21 ARQDEC; €150,000 RNA Ylg '22 ARQOCT. \*\*Full to Millau (Fr), MSP-Fr, \$104,478.

3--Atakama (Fr), 126, f, 4, Le Havre (Ire)--Best Intent (GB), by King's Best. O-SARL Darpat France & Carlos Laffon-Parias; B-SARL Darpat France, Mlle Patricia Laffon Lomba, Mme Ines Laffon Lomba & Fernando Laffon Lomba (FR); T-Carlos Laffon-Parias. €3,125.

Margins: 5, 1 1/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 6.00, 11.70, 4.90. Also Ran: Extrabunt (Ger), Ithaque (Fr), Ciyounesse (GB), Noblesse Oblige (Ger), Ultima (Ger), Empore (Ger), Barbelchen (Ger)

**2nd-Dortmund, €10,000, Mdn**, 5-9, 3yo, f, 10 1/4fT, 2:15.50, sf/hv.

DIAMOND CROWN (GER) (f, 3, Cracksman {GB}--Diamond Ring {Ger}, by Monsun {Ger}) tracked the leader in second for most of this debut. Rowed along in early straight, the 47-10 favourite gained a slender advantage passing the furlong marker and was pushed clear thereafter to defeat Poyraz Approach (Ire) (Awtaad {Ire}) by 3 3/4 lengths. Diamond Crown is the fourth of six foals and second scorer produced by an unraced sibling of G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) heroine Diamanta (Ger) (Maxios {GB}), dual Group-placed Listed Langer Hamburger victor Diamantis (Ger) (Golden Horn {GB}) and Listed Norsk Derby runner-up Diamant (Ger) (Zamindar). The March-foaled homebred's second dam, G3 Preis der Winterkonigin second Diamantgottin (Ger) (Fantastic Light), is kin to three black-type performers headed by Listed Premio Baggio victrix Diamantwelle (Ire) (Xaar {GB}). Her fourth dam Dunoof (Shirley Heights {GB}) is a fullsister to G1 Premio Roma heroine High Hawk (Ire), herself the dam of MG1SW sire In The Wings (GB) (Sadler's Wells). Diamond Crown is kin to a yearling filly and a weanling colt by Best Solution (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €6,000. O/B-Gestut Brummerhof (GER); T-Andreas Suborics.

### **GERMANY**

#### Thursday's Results:

**GROSSER PREIS DER SPARKASSE DORTMUND-Listed**, €25,000, Dortmund, 5-9, 4yo/up, f/m, 9fT, 1:51.29, sf/hy.

- 1--NINA'S LOB (GER), 128, m, 5, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Nina Celebre (Ire) (MSW-Ger & SP-Ity), by Peintre Celebre.

  O/B-Gestut Wittekindshof (GER); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Eduardo Pedroza. €15,000. Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, €63,150. \*1/2 to Pakistan Star (Ger) (Shamardal), MG1SW-HK, \$4,826,541; and Ninas Terz (Ger) (Tertullian), MSP-Ger.
- 2--Spirit Of Dreams (Ger), 126, f, 4, Guiliani (Ire)--Shoshona (Ger), by Adlerflug (Ger). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-UNIA Racing; B-Stall MarcRuehl.com (GER); T-Yasmin Almenrader. €5,000.



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# WORLDWIDE NEWS

# SHE'S EXTREME TOPS INGLIS CHAIRMAN'S AT \$3.4 MILLION by TTR AusNZ/Kristen Manning

"The top end is looking very strong indeed," proclaimed Inglis auctioneer Jonathan D'Arcy as he opened the 2024 Chairman's Sale and his words proved prophetic with nine mares knocked down for seven-figure sums; the demand for quality fillies and mares off the track especially strong.

#### At A Glance:

- It was a smaller catalogue than last year which saw 81 of 109 sell this time around 56 of 88 lots finding new owners.
- The aggregate was A\$34,885,000 compared to last year's A\$44,905,000.
- The sale topper at A\$3.4 million was the dual Group 1 winner She's Extreme (Aus) (Extreme Choice {Aus}) sold by Newgate to Coolmore's Tom Magnier whilst last year's was the A\$3.6 million Nimalee (Aus) (So You Think {NZ}).
- The average was up to A\$622,946 off last year's A\$554,383 whilst the median rose from A\$375,000 to A\$410,000.
- Highest in demand were fillies and mares either still racing or just off the track all but one of the nine seven figure mares fitting that criteria.
- Spending A\$6.7 million, Tom Magnier was the biggest buyer whilst Newgate had the highest gross as vendors A\$9.13 million.
- Nine mares sold for seven figures the same as in 2023.

#### An Extreme Sale

Bidding opened at A\$800,000 and quickly escalated for the G1 VRC Oaks and G1 Champagne S. winner **She's Extreme (Aus)** (Extreme Choice {Aus}) who gave the impression that she knew she was a star of the show as she strutted around the ring.

It was the quietest the auditorium had been all night as bidding progressed to and beyond A\$3 million, Coolmore Stud putting in the winning bid of A\$3.4 million.

A A\$275,000 Easter yearling who retired as the winner of over A\$1.6 million in stakes, the sale topper is, said the stud's Tom

Moore, the perfect fit for Coolmore.

"As a Group 1 winner at two and three she put herself in elite company and she is a rare offering."

"She is everything we look for and we are delighted to have her," he said, adding that she was purchased for an international Coolmore partnership with the view of "supporting one of our young up-and-coming stallions."

"Horses like Home Affairs (Aus) and Wootton Bassett (GB) are in the mix for her, we will sit down over the next few years and decide."



She's Extreme | Inglis

#### A Big Night For Coolmore

Coolmore's big night did not end with She's Extreme, Tom Magnier also putting his hand up for the G2 Silver Shadow S. and G3 Black Opal S. winner **Autumn Ballet (Aus)** (The Autumn Sun {Aus}) and the G1 Coolmore Stud S. runner **C'est Magique (Aus)** (Zoustar {Aus}).

The former will head to stud whilst the latter - a half-sister to Widden Stud's G1 Blue Diamond S. winner Written By (Aus) - will continue her racing career under the care of Chris Waller.

It took A\$1.6 million to secure Autumn Ballet from the Newgate draft with Coolmore's Brian McGuire noting that "We like to breed the best to the best to get the best and she fits that criteria well. She is a fantastic type and we are very fortunate to have got her."

The stud's Colm Santry said much the same about C'est Magique--"She is a fabulous looking mare with size, scope and quality. She was in our top three picks so we are delighted to have got here. We did have to go a bit higher than we thought but there are a lot of people playing at the top end of the market here which puts probably 30% onto their value."



Tom Moore & Tom Magnier | Inglis

#### Inglis Chairman's Sale cont.

Santry noted a certain attachment to the mare who ran second in the race the stud proudly gives it name to, noting that "It takes a very good filly to perform well against the males in that race.

"And we have bought her from a fantastic breeder - Neville Begg has been doing this for a long time and knows more about this game than most."

Coolmore have enjoyed plenty of luck at the Chairman's Sale - in 2020 securing for A\$1.8 million the dual Group 1 winner Samaready (Aus) (More Than Ready) in foal with the G1 Golden Slipper S. winner Shinzo (Aus) as well as the G1 Oakleigh Plate winner Booker (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}) whose first two foals (both by I Am Invincible {Aus}) between them have sold for A\$5.5 million.

#### Resolute Racing Making Their Mark

John Stewart has certainly been making racing waves in recent time and it was that American's Resolute Racing who took home the night's second highest seller - **Tutta La Vita (Aus)** (The Autumn Sun {Aus}) closing of the sale with a bang fetching A\$3.2 million.

The three-time Group 1 placed 3-year-old - a A\$300,000 Classic graduate - is a three-quarter sister to the G1 Robert Sangster S. winner Secret Agenda (Aus) (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) out of a daughter of the G1 Champagne S. winner Euphoria (Aus) (Marauding {NZ}), granddaughter of the wonderful mare Denise's Joy (Aus) (Seventh Hussar {Fr}).

Venturing into the local market when spending A\$5.44 million on six yearlings at Inglis Easter, Stewart will race Tutta La Vita on, keeping her in the Chris Waller stable as she heads towards the G1 Queensland Oaks.

"We met Chris when we were in Australia for the G1 Golden

Slipper," Stewart told *TTR AusNZ*, "and knowing that he trained her and how he feels about her was one of the reasons we decided to buy her."

Admitting to be "very competitive" by nature, Stewart said "I had one horse in September and now I have over a hundred in America.

"We are constantly evaluating the top fillies and mares globally, it is something we are really dedicated to understanding and there were a lot of impressive mares in this sale and we really thought that Tutta La Vita with her pedigree and accomplishments fits into our program long term."

Stewart discovered after the sale that he was bidding against Tom Magnier which increased his confidence in his purchase.

"We have a good relationship with Coolmore and Tom texted me after we bought her and that's how I found out that they were actually on her as well," Stewart said. "That makes me even more confident in the purchase because I view them as a very good judge of horses, especially of this caliber and on the breeding side."

Australia may see Stewart here soon - "I have to organise getting my colours down there and I look forward to seeing her race in Queensland," he said, adding that he is "looking to make a long term investment in Australian racing and I hope that Australians will join us in cheering her on when she races next."

Of long-term plans for the filly, Stewart said, "We haven't really talked about breeding yet. Everything is on the table. We have breeding operations in America, of course. We are a breed-to-race operation and we are looking to make a long-term investment in Australia. It's very possible she could end up staying in Australia as well. We are just really excited about this purchase and excited to make more of an investment in Australian racing. We hope the Australian racing fans will join us in cheering her on when she races next." Cont. p17



Chris Waller | Inglis

#### Inglis Chairman's Sale cont.

#### Kimochi Lights Up The Ring

Bidding opened at A\$500,000 for Lot 4, the G2 Light Fingers S. winning 3-year-old **Kimochi (Aus)** (Brave Smash {Jpn}) who was sold as a racing and breeding prospect - her record of two wins and nine placings from 13 starts suggesting that she still has plenty to offer. The hammer went down on the daughter of the I Am Invincible (Aus) mare Summer Fun (Aus) for A\$2.2 million with Islay Vale landing the winning blow for Yulong.

Keeping a close eye nearby was Kimochi's trainer Gary Portelli who was keen to let the filly's new owners know that he would gladly welcome her back into his stable.

"I've put my hat in the ring," he said, adding that he has trained a couple for Yulong - "so they have my number!" he joked.

Buying a few more of the Brave Smash breed on the back of the ability Kimochi has always displayed, Portelli talked about her early career - noting that she was not always easy.

"She was a bit hot and could get upset over little things," he recalled, "but she had a good track rider who had her handling things better."

"It still took a few runs for her to start to relax," he said, thanking his staff for the great job they had done with her - "if she does go to another stable everyone will be sad to see her go."

Enjoying his first Chairman's Sale - "I live across the road and would you believe I have never been to a broodmare sale here!" Portelli said he'd had Kimochi's owner Leo To on the phone, saying that "he was quite emotional."

"He is still pretty new to racing but he knows getting a horse like Kimochi is a big thing," Portelli said, noting that the winner of over A\$1 million in stakes cost just A\$21,000 at the 2021 Inglis Australian Weanling Sale.

"With the G1 1000 Guineas now run in November it meant that she hardly had a break between her Melbourne and Sydney campaigns," Portelli said. "And I think that with the benefit of a spell she is going to come back all the better for her new owners."

Yulong's Panthalassa Syndicate also purchased for A\$1.6 million the G1 ATC Oaks and G1 New Zealand Oaks heroine **Pennyweka (NZ)** (Santono Aladdin {Jpn}). It is understood that both Kimochi and Pennyweka will continue their racing careers with trainers yet to be decided.

Also purchased by the Panthalassa Syndicate was Lot 44, the dual group winner **Steinem (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) for A\$800,000 and Lot 52, the Listed winner **Vespertine (Aus)** (Epaulette {Aus}) for A\$275,000.



Yulong's Sam Fairgray & Vin Cox | Inglis

#### New Home For Pinocchio

The third seven-figure mare for the evening was Lot 22, the high-achieving grey **Pinocchio (Aus)** (Encosta De Lago {Aus}) - the Tyreel Stud mare who has done such a great job producing the dual Group 2 winner **Classique Legend (Aus)** (Not A Single Doubt {Aus}) as her second foal and the Group 2 sprinter Aethero (Aus) (Sebring {Aus}) as her third.

A\$1.15 million (the highest price for a proven broodmare) secured the 14-year-old who is in foal to champion sire I Am Invincible - Bromfield Park the winning bidders.

The sale provided Tyreel's Linda Monds with mixed emotions, and she said, "To be honest it is a bit surreal as she was one of the very first mares we bought so she has always been part of the farm; it was not a decision made lightly.

"If I could I'd keep every horse I buy and breed but unfortunately in business you have to make these decisions and a farm like ours needs to keep things young - and we do have two lovely fillies out of her at home and we will race both of those."

The first is Candlewick (Aus) (Pierro {Aus}), a 2-year-old who has just gone back into work with John O'Shea, the second an I Am Invincible foaled last August."

Monds was full of praise for Pinocchio's latest foal - describing her as a filly "with all the attributes you look for in early running sprinting-type." Cont. p18

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#### Inglis Chairman's Sale cont.

#### **Hutch Sums Up**

"A celebration of mares" is how Sebastian Hutch described the Chairman's Sale, one which he said the Inglis team work hard on not just in the immediate lead-up, but all year round.

"Two months ago we started to talk to people about mares for the 2025 sale," he said, happy to see such a great group of "high end mares" together in one place for sale.

Aside from the obvious commercial success of this sales concept, Hutch enjoyed the atmosphere that a special occasion evening sale provides whilst also deriving great satisfaction from seeing how much pleasure participants and spectators took from it.

"You saw spontaneous outbursts of applause for the good mares," he said, noting that "these are mares who performed well on the track and people realise that this is the last time they are going to see them in the public domain."

Excitement akin to winning a race was also on display with some connections - such as the owners of the listed winner **Extremist (Aus)** (Extreme Choice {Aus}), the A\$35,000 yearling who was sold by the Robert Heathcote stable to Silverdale Farm and Andrew Williams Bloodstock for A\$625,000.

"It was very satisfying to see people like that enjoy the moment," Hutch said. "And we had quite a few moments like that."

Hutch admitted that the sale is not yet perfect; an early run of pass-ins a disappointing aspect to the sale - but he is confident that there it has been getting better each year with further improvements to come.

"One of the challenging aspects is balancing the expectations of the vendors and the buyers but I think overall we did a good job - a lot of people went home happy."

Including, he said "one particularly tough judge who said we'd done a good job - I took that as the ultimate compliment!"

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#### Friday, Chester, Britain, post time: 15:05

#### IRE-INCENTIVE, IT PAYS TO BUY IRISH HUXLEY S.-G2, £130,000, 4yo/up, 10f 70y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Certain Lad (GB)	Clodovil (Ire)	C R Hirst	Jack Channon	George Bass	129
2	Hans Andersen (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	William Buick	129
3	Israr (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Shadwell Estate Company Ltd	John & Thady Gosden	Jim Crowley	129
4	Mashhoor (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Brunabonne Syndicate	Johnny Murtagh	Ben Coen	129
5	Oviedo (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Fiona Carmichael & Ballylinch Stud	Edward Bethell	Callum Rodriguez	129
6	Passenger	Ulysses (Ire)	Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd	Sir Michael Stoute	Richard Kingscote	129
7	Regal Reality (GB)	Intello (Ger)	Peter Done	Sir Michael Stoute	Saffie Osborne	129
8	Royal Rhyme (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	129
9	Sunchart (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	P Garvey	Andrew Slattery	Silvestre De Sousa	129

**Breeders:** 1-Barry Walters, 2-Sun Bloodstock SARL, 3-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd, 4-Grenville Bloodstock Ltd, 5-Ballylinch Stud, 6-Flaxman Holdings Ltd, 7-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd, 8-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, 9-Newsells Park Stud

#### Saturday, Lingfield, Britain, post time: 15:35

#### WILLIAM HILL CHARTWELL FILLIES' S.-G3, £90,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f 0y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cell Sa Beela (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum	Roger Varian	Ryan Moore	132
2	Many Tears (Ire)	Showcasing (GB)	Cunningham Thoroughbreds	James Ferguson	Daniel Muscutt	132
3	Remarquee (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Wathnan Racing	Ralph Beckett	James Doyle	132
4	Sirona (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	Dash Grange Stud	David Menuisier	Rossa Ryan	132
5	Stenton Glider (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Mrs J Mairs & Mr T S Mairs	Hugo Palmer	Harry Davies	132
6	Vetiver (GB)	Twilight Son (GB)	Cheveley Park Stud	Andrew Balding	David Probert	132
7	Born To Rock (Ire)	Soldier's Call (GB)	Laurence Holder	Jane Chapple-Hyam	Laura Pearson	120
8	Great Generation (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Scuderia Sagam SRLS	Marco Botti	Marco Ghiani	120
9	Les Bleus (GB)	Blue Point (Ire)	Harry Redknapp	Richard Hughes	Franny Norton	120

**Breeders:** 1-Essafinaat UK Ltd, 2-Mount Coote Estates & F Karothy, 3-Lawn Stud, 4-Gestut Hof Iserneichen, 5-Laurence Kennedy, 6-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd, 7-Equos Ltd & Troy Cullen, 8-A Dutch Girl Partnership, 9-Godolphin

#### Saturday, Naas, Ireland, post time: 16:15

#### AL SHIRA'AA RACING IRISH EBF JANNAH ROSE S.-G3, €39,000, 3yo, f, 10f 84y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Flight Of Fancy (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	M Tabor, D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, Westerberg	A P O'Brien	W M Lordan	128
2	Higher Leaves (Ire)	Golden Horn (GB)	J Halley & Mrs Ciara Hogan	Henry de Bromhead	W J Lee	128
3	Je Zous (Ire)	Zoustar (Aus)	Go Racing Ltd	Joseph O'Brien	D McMonagle	128
4	Madam Celeste (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd	G M Lyons	C T Keane	128
5	Sea The Boss (GB)	Sea The Moon (Ger)	John G Hennessy & C Acheson	Jessica Harrington	S Foley	128

Breeders: 1-Coolmore, 2-D G Iceton, 3-Manister House Stud, 4-Phoenix Thoroughbred Ltd, 5-E Cantillon

#### Saturday, Chantilly, France, post time: 15:32

#### **PRIX DE GUICHE-G3**, €80,000, 3yo, c/g, 9fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	3	Grecian Storm (GB)	Churchill (Ire)	Rouget	Demuro	128
2	4	Darlinghurst (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Reynier	Soumillon	128
3	5	First Look (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Fabre	Barzalona	128
4	2	Kingsale (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Vermeulen	Lemaitre	128
5	1	Atlast (Fr)	Farhh (GB)	Ferland	Guyon	128

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# **LISTED STAKES** ENTRIES

#### Friday, Cork, Ireland, post time: 16:40

#### GOFFS IRISH EBF POLONIA S.-Listed, €31,500, 3yo, f, 5f 110y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bella Colombia (Ire)	The Last Lion (Ire)	COR Racing Syndicate	Willie McCreery	N M Crosse	128
2	Bonbon (Ire)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Glamour & Glory Syndicate	Joseph O'Brien	D McMonagle	128
3	Cherry Blossom (Ire)	No Nay Never	Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	W M Lordan	128
4	Gunzburg (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Alymer Stud	Gavin Cromwell	G F Carroll	128
5	Heart Of Darkness (GB)	Mehmas (Ire)	Exors of the Late Lady O'Reilly	Paddy Twomey	W J Lee	128
6	Lia Fail (Ire)	Inns Of Court (Ire)	Michael Mulvany	Michael Mulvany	W Joyce	128
7	Majestic Beauty (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Amo Racing Limited	Adrian Murray	C D Hayes	128
8	Matter Of Fact (Ire)	No Nay Never	Niarchos Family	Jessica Harrington	S Foley	128
9	Navassa Island (Ire)	Territories (Ire)	Ecurie Ama.Zingteam	Michael O'Callaghan	C T Keane	128
10	Platino Bianco (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Joanne Lavery	Chris Timmons	R C Colgan	128
11	Shandy (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Mrs M V Magnier, Mrs Paul Shanahan & T V Magnier	J A Stack	J M Sheridan	128
12	She's Quality (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Quality Time Racing Syndicate	Jack Davison	R P Whelan	128
13	Sweetest (Ire)	Blue Point (Ire)	Westerberg, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	D P McDonogh	128

**Breeders:** 1-Cottage Lodge Stud, 2-Summit Bloodstock, 3-Barronstown Stud, 4-Mrs Grace Nagle, 5-Llety Farms, 6-Kelly Equine Services, 7-Bearstone Stud, 8-Niarchos Family, 9-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd, 10-Rollx Syndicate, 11-Airlie Stud, 12-Rathbarry Stud, 13-Mrs T Mahon

#### Saturday, Lingfield, Britain, post time: 15:00

#### WILLIAM HILL LINGFIELD DERBY TRIAL S.-Listed, £60,000, 3yo, c/g, 11f 133y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ambiente Friendly (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	The Gredley Family	James Fanshawe	Callum Shepherd	128
2	Arabic Legend (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum	Karl Burke	David Probert	128
3	At Vimeiro (Ger)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	P W Harris	Jane Chapple-Hyam	Laura Pearson	128
4	Defiance (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Highclere Thoroughbred Racing - Monet	Roger Varian	James Doyle	128
5	Illinois (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	128
6	Imperial Sovereign (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	128
7	Meydaan (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum	Simon & Ed Crisford	Harry Davies	128
8	Salamanca (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	P W Harris	Jane Chapple-Hyam	Rossa Ryan	128
9	The Euphrates (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Brant, Magnier, Tabor, Westerberg, Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Decland McDonogh	128

**Breeders:** 1-Al Shira'aa Farms SARL, 2-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, 3-TINK GmbH, 4-Seven Hills Bloodstock & Torres Strait Bloodstock Ltd, 5-Coolmore, 6-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, 7-Godolphin, 8-Eminent Kind Ltd, 9-Bobby Flay Thoroughbreds

#### Saturday, Lingfield, Britain, post time: 14:25

#### WILLIAM HILL OAKS TRIAL FILLIES' S.-Listed, £60,000, 3yo, f, 11f 133y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bigtime Bridget (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Jim Biggane & Partner	Michael Bell	Daniel Muscutt	128
2	Cherry Burton (GB)	Cracksman (GB)	Mrs C Campbell	Sean Woods	James Doyle	128
3	Danielle (GB)	Cracksman (GB)	A E Oppenheimer	John & Thady Gosden	Kieran Shoemark	128
4	Molten Rock (Ire)	Fascinating Rock (Ire)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	128
5	Rubies Are Red (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor, Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	128
6	Treasure (GB)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	HM The King & HM The Queen	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	128
7	You Got To Me (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Valmont & Newsells Park Stud Bloodstock 24	Ralph Beckett	Hector Crouch	128

Breeders: 1-Lord Margadale & Mr & Mrs A Scott, 2-W H Carson & Mrs A Dalgety, 3-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd, 4-Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd, 5-Coolmore, 6-The Queen, 7-Dullingham Park Stud & Sarabex

#### Saturday, Chantilly, France, post time: 14:50

PRIX DES LILAS-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Jalnar (Fr)	Frankel (GB)	Devin	Pouchin	126
2	3	Lady Invincible (Fr)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Bary	Demuro	126
3	5	Ribaltagaia	Blame	Bietolini	Soumillon	126
4	1	Harmony Grey (Fr)	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	Pantall	Piccone	126
5	7	Hit It (Fr)	Almanzor (Fr)	V Head	Barzalona	126
6	2	Cetera (Ire)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Laffon-Parias	Guyon	126
7	6	Nadelia (Fr)	Spanish Moon	Caullery	Pasquier	126

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