



'IT ALL STARTED IN THE PUB' - MEET THE OWNERS RAISING A GLASS TO AMY MURPHY



Anoj Don, Lemos de Souza and Daniel Macauliffe | Scoop Dyga

Bv Brian Sheerin

You've heard of their horses and are familiar with their double blue silks, but who exactly are the owners behind what seems to be a never-ending supply of Amy Murphy-trained winners in France?

Daniel Macauliffe and Anoj Don are similar to the majority of people who have ever got involved in the ownership game in that their initial interest was very small.

What started out as a good idea in the pub has exploded into the business partners owning their own racing stables in County Mayo, over 20 horses in training across Britain, Ireland and France as well as a small broodmare band and their own stallion.

But it is farming juvenile races in France that the pair have become most noteworthy for and Hot Darling (Ire) is the latest example in that success story. Bought for just 25,000gns by Rodrigo Goncalves during the Book 3 session at Tattersalls last year, Hot Darling has already repaid that investment with back-to-back wins in France.

The daughter of Too Darn Hot (GB) followed up her hard-fought debut success at Chantilly with a Listed win at Vichy, leaving just shy of £40,000 in prize-money in her owners' account. Cont. p3

AGA KHAN STUDS' DARIYAN EUTHANISED **AT AGE 12**

Dariyan (Fr), the winner of the G1 Prix Ganay and G2 Prix Eugene Adam, has died at the age of 12, according to an announcement by the Aga Khan Studs.

A son of Shamardal and the G1 Hong Kong Vase winner Daryakana (Fr) (Selkirk), Dariyan was trained by Alain de Royer -Dupre and is a half-brother to the GII Knickerbocker S winner Devamani (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}). His granddam was the G1 Prix de Diane winner Daryaba (Ire) (Night Shift).

Dariyan retired to Haras de Bonneval in 2017 and moved earlier this year to Haras du Mont Goubert. He is the sire of G3 Prix La Force winner Mister Saint Paul (Fr) and the Group 2 runner-up Galaxie Gold (Fr).

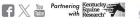
"It is with sadness that the Aga Khan Studs announce the loss of Dariyan, who was humanely euthanised on Thursday following an illness, despite the best efforts of the veterinary team," read a statement on the Aga Khan Studs website. Cont. p6

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Daniel Macauliffe and Anoj Don Cont. from p1

However, while Macauliffe and Don are both successful businessmen in their own right, sustaining a string over over 20 horses does not come cheaply and on Monday it was announced that Hot Darling would be offered for sale by Tattersalls on June 12--just in time for Royal Ascot.

Don, a native of Sri Lanka, explained, "It is of course exciting and it is special to be selling a horse with Royal Ascot claims. We have a price in our minds and won't let her go unless she makes that figure. She has achieved black-type already and the sire won two Guineas in the one day [with Fallen Angel and Darnation] so we said why not bring our filly to the market now rather than later. Even since Monday, when Tattersalls announced that she would be for sale, we have received many calls from people who want to book time slots to view Hot Darling, so that's very exciting."

He added, "We have had plenty of offers for her already but

we thought that the best thing to do in order to get her value right was to offer her online with Tattersalls. It is a good time to sell because everybody wants to have a runner at Royal Ascot and she looks like she will go there with a big chance. She will be sold with an entry in a Group 3 race on June 16 in France as well and that could also be a nice option for her."

Macauliffe and Don are the proud owners of Killala House Stables in County Mayo. Diehard fans of the all-weather action at

Dundalk will remember the purple patch that the pair enjoyed in 2017/18 with trainer Fergal Birrane, who operates from that training establishment, courtesy of stalwarts like California Lad (GB) (Aussie Rules), Rock On Dandy (Fr) (Rajsaman {Fr}) and more.

Targeting races in France is something of a more recent development, with Manhattan Jungle (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle {GB}) being the filly that forged the pair's relationship with Murphy and her husband Lemos de Souza.

Don explained, "The early-season races in France are a bit weaker than they are in Britain and Ireland. Most of the French-bred horses are best over seven furlongs or maybe a mile. We can't go over to France with a mile-and-a-half horse, but we can go over there with a fast two-year-old, and thankfully we have had some success over the past three or four years doing this. "The first one was Manhattan Jungle--she won her first three starts in France and was second in a Group 3 out there. This year we have had three separate winners in France, so it's so far so good."

He added, "We only have a small budget to buy these horses and we work as a team. If you work as a team, you will have more success. Matt Coleman does a lot of our work and he introduced us to Amy. Nirodha (Ire) (Camacho {GB}) was the first horse we had with her. She won four races for us and we still have her. We also have horses with Ivan Furtado, Charlie Fellowes and Kevin Philippart de Foy in Britain while in France we have horses with Gavin Hernon and Francois Monfort."

Macauliffe is an entrepreneur by day. Along with Don, he is heavily involved in property, with the two men the driving forces behind Danoj Developments.

Recalling how the business partners first got the bug, he said, "It was in the pub! One of our friends in Lambourn said 'why not

> come in on a horse' but unfortunately he turned out to be no good. But it just started from there. Then we bought California Lad (GB) (Aussie Rules) with Harry Dunlop and he went on to win three or four races with Fergal Birrane in Ireland. We have some nice two-year-olds this year; Convo (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) won first time out and was second in a Listed race in France, Rock Hunter (GB) (Expert Eye {GB}) also won first time out and has placed in his last two starts and then Hot



Hot Darling | Scoop Dyga

Darling as well."

He added, "Pride Of America (Fr) (American Post {GB}), who was in training with Harry Dunlop before going to Amy Murphy, gave us our first big win at York a couple of years ago. We've also been lucky enough to own Fighting Irish (Ire), who won a Group 2 in France, and is now based out there [at Haras d'Annebault] as a stallion. We supported him with about eight mares and now some of his progeny is starting to come through."

But just like in business, there is always a bottom line. While there is huge fun to be enjoyed in the ownership ranks and in breeding, it's the same principals that has sustained Macauliffe and Don in business that has helped them reach the winner's enclosure.

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"The wheel is always turning," Don said. "For example, we purchased a lovely New Bay (GB) colt at Arqana and he cost a lot of money [\notin 285,000]. We also bought an Arizona (Ire) colt at Tattersalls Ireland [\notin 60,000] as well. In order to pay the bills, we have to sell some of the horses and make sure that some money comes in."

With that in mind, connections are already planning to send Rock Hunter, who, like Hot Darling, has done extremely well in France this year, to the Goffs London Sale on the eve of Royal Ascot. It begs the question; with all of these classy two-year-olds off to the sales, might Macauliffe and Don end up turning a profit this year?

"I don't know about that," Don laughed. "As I said, we need the money to pay the bills. But I like going to the sales and buying and selling the horses. Sometimes it works. Sometimes it doesn't. But we have had some great luck with Lemos and Amy and hopefully we get a good payday together soon."

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LEGENDS IN ACTION

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This column is highlighted by the victory of Legend Of Time at Aqueduct during the Belmont at the Big A meeting.

Legend Has It ...

Godolphin's **Legend Of Time (GB)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) captured the GII Pennine Ridge S. during the Belmont at the Big A meeting for Charlie Appleby on May 25 (video).

The 150,000gns Tattersalls October yearling made his first five starts at Meydan, winning four of them, including the Jumeirah Classic in March. The Pennine Ridge was his second start in the States. Bred by Lordship Stud and Sunderland Holdings, the 3year-old colt is a half-brother to G1 Prix de Royallieu winner Loving Dream (GB) (Gleneagles {Ire}) and stakes winner Amandine (GB) (Shamardal), who was third in the GI American Oaks. The trio are out of the stakes-winning G1 Moyglare Stud S. third Kissable (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Group 1 winners under G1 Oaks runner-up fourth dam Media Luna (GB) (Star Appeal {Ire}) include Brian Boru (GB) (Sadler's Wells), Kodiac (GB) full-brothers Best Solution (Ire) and El Bodegon (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), and Workforce (GB) (King's Best).

Sea The Stars, who stands at Gilltown Stud, has 20 winners from 41 runners (49%) in the U.S. Eight of those (19%), including graded winners Ottoman Fleet (GB), Legend Of Time, Star Fortress (Ire) and Casual Smile (GB) have won at the stakes level level.



Legend Of Time | Coglianese Photography

Sweet Keertana Win For Blonde

A group winner in Italy, **Atomic Blonde (Ger)** (The Grey Gatsby {Ire}) won the Listed Keertana S. in the U.S. (video). Trained by co-owner Christophe Clement for West Point Thoroughbreds and Winters Equine, LLC, the 5-year-old mare was bred in Germany by Gestut Karlshof.

She did not meet her reserve when a \in 75,000 buy-back at the BBAG October Sale in October of 2020, and, after productive 2021 and 2022 campaigns for her breeder and trainer Henk Grewe, the grey was offered by Ecurie des Monceaux at the Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale, where she caught the eye of Clement for \in 300,000. Her dam's juvenile filly is All I Ever Wanted (Ger) (Isfahan {Ger}), and her latest is a yearling colt by Counterattack (Aus). A daughter of German stakes winner Alwina (Ger) (Areion {Ger}), Atomic Blonde traces to Alte Zeit (Ger) (Surumu {Ger}), a German champion and winner of the German 1000 Guineas/Preis der Diana (German Oaks) when they were both Group 2. In addition, Alte Zeit was second in the G1 Deutsches Derby (German Derby).

The Grey Gatsby, a resident of Hars du Petit Tellier, has a 100% strike rate in America, with all four of his runners successful. Atomic Blonde is his second stakes winner in that locale after GIII The Very One S. heroine Mylady (Ger).



Atomic Blonde & Tyler Gaffalione | Cody Media

Making Waves cont.

Michel Strikes At Woodbine

Mont Saint Michel (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) won a Woodbine affair at second asking for SF Racing, LLC on Saturday (video). Trained by Brendan Walsh, the 3-year-old filly was bred by SF Bloodstock, SC.

The seventh foal out of the stakes-placed Black Dahlia (GB) (Dansili {GB}), the dark bay was a \in 280,000 buy-back out of the Arqana May Breeze-Up Sale last year. She is a half-sister to four black-type horses anchored by G2 Vintage S. hero Dark Vision (Ire) (Dream Ahead), and G3 Round Tower S. winner Lope Y Fernandez (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), who was placed at the highest level in Ireland, England, America, and twice in France. Her latest half-sibling is a 2-year-old filly by Hello Youmzain (Fr), who sold for \in 200,000 to One Agency from the draft of Ecurie des Monceaux.

Coolmore's Wootton Bassett now has 17 winners from 30 runners (57%) in the U.S. and Canada. Seven of that number (23%) have won stakes, with Breeders' Cup winners Audarya (Fr) and Unquestionable (Fr) leading the way.

Loterie Prevails in California

Never off the board in five starts, Living The Dream Stables, Medallion Racing, Omar Aldabbagh and Barry Fowler's **Loterie** (Ire) (Ten Sovereigns {Ire}) finally connected to win at Santa Anita for Phil D'Amato (video).

Originally trained by Eddie and Patrick Harty to run third in the colours of Eddie's wife at the Curragh on debut last May, the Lynch Bages-bred filly cost €30,000 as a Tattersalls Ireland September yearling when acquired by Peter and Ross Doyle Bloodstock from the draft of Glenvale Stud. The daughter of All To Do With It (Ire) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}), herself a half-sister to

the multiple stakes winner Skiddaw Peak (Aus) (Generous {Ire}), was placed in the Listed Del Mar Juvenile Fillies Turf S. last year. Her dam has a juvenile colt by No Nay Never, an £88,000 Goffs UK Premier yearling buy by Avenue Bloodstock, and a yearling colt by Starman (GB), who was knocked down for €60,000 to Evergreen Bloodstock at the Goffs November Foal Sale to come.

One of three winners from six runners (50%) for her Coolmore sire in the U.S., Loterie is also one of three stakes-placed horses for Ten Sovereigns in that locale.

Fourth Time's The Charm For Cathal

John Sadler sent out **Cathal (Ire)** (No Nay Never) to win at Santa Anita on Saturday (video). The Moni Market-bred was third in his American debut over this strip in May. He currently is owned by Diamond T Racing, LLC, lapetus Racing, LLC, Lady Marion, LLC, and Richard Alphin.

Formerly a €120,000 Goffs Orby yearling when picked up by Jason Taylor from Baroda Stud, Cathal raced for lapetus Racing Syndicate and trainer Paddy Twomey in Ireland, with his best finish in two starts a second at Dundalk over a mile last November. The second foal and winner for his dam, Lucky At The Bay (Lucky Pulpit), herself a half to graded winner and twotime Grade I-placed sire Tamarando (Bertrand), Cathal is followed by the juvenile full-sister Never Not Lucky (Ire) and a yearling half-sister by U S Navy Flag.

Cathal is one of 45 winners from 90 runners (50%) in the U.S. for Coolmore's No Nay Never. His Meditate (Ire) won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, and she is one of nine stakes winners (10%) the son of Scat Daddy has in that jurisdiction.

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Cathal | Benoit Photo

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Making Waves cont.

Zoustar's Marian Cross Prevails At Delaware

Newstead Stables, LLC's **Marian Cross (GB)** (Zoustar {Aus}) trotted up a half-length winner at Delaware Park for trainer Graham Motion near the end of May (video).

The 3-year-old filly, bred by The Cross Pattee Partnership, was making her fourth start and first away from Gulfstream Park. Sold for \in 120,000 by Baroda Stud to Form Bloodstock at the Goffs Orby Sale in 2022, the filly is a half-sister to the multiple stakes-placed Golden Spell (GB) (Al Kazeem {GB}) and is her dam, Cross Pattee (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB})'s second winner. Kin to several high class stayers, Marian Cross is from the same family as Group 1 winner Courage Mon Ami (GB) (Frankel {GB}).

Reverse shuttle stallion Zoustar has sired six winners from 11 runners (54%) in America. His best is stakes winner King Of Gosford (GB), while Starlust (GB) ran second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint.

Advertise Colt Graduates At Santa Anita

Siennois (Ire) (Advertise {GB}), who races for Little Red Feather Racing, Madaket Stables, LLC, and William Strauss, won for the first time at Santa Anita for trainer Phil D'Amato earlier this month (video).

Part of the Ballylinch Stud/Ecurie des Charmes breeding programme, the dark bay brought €50,000 from Meridian International out of the Goffs Orby Sale when he was offered by co-breeder Ballylinch. Still a maiden after three starts in France for Haras du Logis Saint-Germain and Pia and Joakim Brandt, the colt changed hands privately, with Saturday being his third start in the U.S. His dam, the Teofilo (Ire) mare Cascading (GB) who was placed in the Listed Chalice S., has a yearling filly by Palace Pier (GB). Cascading is a half-sister to Group 1 winner National Defense (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

Manton Park Stud's Advertise has had four runners in the U.S., with Siennois his first winner there. Internationally, the stallion, whose eldest foals are 3-year-olds, has sired G3 Musidora S. heroine Secret Satire (GB), and two other stakes horses to date.

Repeat Winners

One of the most consistent Making Waves horses, Anisette (GB) (Awtaad {Ire}) was winning for the fifth time since traveling Stateside, and bagged her third Grade I in the Gamely S. on Memorial Day at Santa Anita (video) for trainer Leonard Powell and owner Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners.

Godolphin's **Ottoman Fleet (GB)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}), featured here after taking the GII Fort Marcy S. last May, was back in the winner's circle in Churchill's GIII Arlington S. for trainer Charlie Appleby (video).



Anisette is now a three-time Grade I winner | Benoit Photo

Part of a Frankie Dettori stakes double on Friday evening, **Poolside With Slim (Ire)** (Churchill {Ire}) landed the \$150,000 Penn Oaks at Penn National in Pennsylvania for trainer Rusty Arnold (video). Raced by Glenn and Sandra Bromagen and Patrick Lewis, the filly was bred by Kilweelran, Ltd and won at Gulfstream in February.

Winner **Ever So Sweet (Ire)** (Calyx {GB}) padded her resume with a four-length win during the Belmont at the Big A meeting last month for trainer Brad Cox (video). Owned by Gregory Hoffman, R.T Racing Stable and Clay Schere, the 3-year-old filly had appeared in Making Waves when graduating at second asking in September.

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Dariyan cont. from p1

The statement continued, "Winner of the Prix Ganay and Prix Eugène Adam, Dariyan had been a model of consistency during his racing career, finishing in the first five in 11 of his 13 starts." Share this story

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CITY OF TROY AND PASSENGER HEAD ECLIPSE MARKET AFTER LATEST ENTRIES



Paddington wins last year's Eclipse | Getty Images

Saturday's G1 Derby winner **City Of Troy** (Justify) and progressive four-year-old **Passenger** (Ulysses {Ire}) head the betting for the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. after the latest entries were released on Tuesday. A total of 40 horses remain in contention for the first big clash of the generations in the middle-distance division, which will be run at Sandown on Saturday, July 6 and offers total prize-money of £750,000.

Golden Horn (GB) in 2015 was the last Derby winner to follow up in the Eclipse and trainer Aidan O'Brien identified this race as one of several options on the table for City Of Troy in the aftermath of his sparkling success at Epsom. O'Brien is responsible for 13 of the 40 entries altogether, with the others including a pair of Classic winners from last year, Derby victor **Auguste Rodin (Ire)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) and G1 St Leger hero **Continuous (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), plus Friday's G1 Coronation Cup winner **Luxembourg (Ire)** (Camelot {GB}) and **Henry Longfellow (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who wasn't far behind City Of Troy among the highest-rated two-year-olds of 2023.

Passenger, who reappeared this season with a smooth victory in the G3 Huxley S. at Chester, is a likely runner in the G1 Prince Of Wales's S. before a decision is made on his participation in the Eclipse. His opponents at Royal Ascot could include another son of Ulysses (Ire) and Eclipse entry in the recent G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup winner **White Birch (GB)**, while a pair of mares trained by John and Thady Gosden also feature among the star older horses entered, namely the six-time Group 1 heroine **Inspiral (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) and last year's Eclipse runner-up **Emily Upjohn (GB)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}).

Of the Classic generation, G1 Irish 2,000 Guineas runner-up **Haatem (Ire)** (Phoenix Of Spain {Ire}) and Derby sixth **Dancing**

Gemini (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) are others who have already shown a high level of form. A pair of three-year-olds who don't currently hold an Eclipse entry are Epsom runner-up Ambiente Friendly (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}) and the wide-margin G2 Dante S. winner Economics (GB) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}), though their connections do have the option of supplementing them at a cost of £37,500 at the five-day confirmation stage on Monday, July 1. Share this story

VARIAN SAYS GUINEAS WINNER ELMALKA "IN GREAT FORM" AHEAD OF ROYAL ASCOT



Roger Varian | Laura Green

Roger Varian has reported 1,000 Guineas winner **Elmalka (GB)** (Kingman {GB}) to be in fine spirits and on course to run in the Coronation S. at Royal Ascot.

The daughter of Kingman came from last to first to claim Classic glory in only her third race at Newmarket, edging out Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio) by a neck.

Varian told *Sky Sports Racing,* "She's in great form and has had no problems, she's done everything right since the Guineas and did a lovely bit of work last week.

"We're very much thinking of the Coronation Stakes. Since she won at Newmarket, we were never going to Ireland. "I think that was only her third start, so she looks like she's getting the hang of it now and hopefully we'll see a strong performance at Ascot."

A wide draw prompted the hold-up tactics at HQ, but Varian believes his filly is versatile and a different game plan could be used at the royal meeting.

He said, "That's really the only way we could ride her at Newmarket when we were drawn 16 of 16. She's so inexperienced, we couldn't really go forward from that draw and race on a wide wing with no cover." **Cont. p8**

Roger Varian cont.

"So we said beforehand, we're just going to have to suck up the draw and ride her to run well-and as it turned out, everything worked for her," Varian added.

"But she's very straightforward. She's been slow to get the hang of things, but she's looking like she knows her job now, so I'm sure she'll be a very straightforward ride at Ascot."

Varian is confident that sticking to a mile is the right option for now, but he hasn't ruled out moving up in distance at a later date after Elmalka stayed on well to get up in the final strides in the Guineas.

"She shaped that way at Newmarket but I'd say she has sharpened up, because she was still a bit green in the Guineas and as I say, it was only her third run," said the trainer.

"You can make a mistake sometimes in thinking they need further when they are kind of learning on the job and I think it would be a mistake to go 10 furlongs now.

"But we'll see how we get on at Ascot and I'm sure we'll put her in races like the Nassau later on. That's not to say she'll run there, she might stay at a mile all year, but I think we're still learning about her and hopefully we get a good result at Ascot."

Varian also has high hopes of Group 1 success for **Charyn (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) in the Queen Anne S. after the four-year-old followed up wins at Doncaster and Sandown by chasing home surprise Lockinge scorer Audience (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}) at Newbury.

The Newmarket handler said, "He's in great form-I wish it was tomorrow, so hopefully the next two weeks will go smoothly, with no problems. He ran great in the Lockinge, he was the only horse to come out of the pack. I thought he ran really well.

"Credit to the winner, who is a very good horse and put in a great performance, but I thought Charyn came a long way away from all the horses he raced with, so it was a great performance and hopefully he can do something similar at Ascot."

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TUTTY PLANNING TO STORM ROYAL ASCOT

Fresh from his victory in Saturday's 3YO 'Dash' at Epsom, **Blue Storm (GB)** is now being primed to become a first Royal Ascot runner for his rising young trainer Gemma Tutty. The colt is from the first crop of Blue Point (Ire)--a former star of the royal meeting himself when pulling off a Group 1 double in the same week--and is set to run in the Palace of Holyroodhouse S.

"He's come out of it no problem at all, we just need to wrap him in cotton wool between now and Ascot," said Tutty of Blue Storm's third career victory in the colours of Dave Lowe.

"Rossa [Ryan] gave him a fantastic ride, it was lovely to see him go and do that and it's very exciting to be going to Ascot on the back of a good win.



Gemma Tutty | Racingfotos.com

"Chester didn't work out for us but he had a bit of a blow that day and we knew he'd be absolutely spot on going into Epsom, as long as he could handle the track. We hoped he would; he's a very fast horse and we were hoping we could settle him down the hill but you don't know until you get there."

She added of Blue Storm's owner, who has campaigned the classy sprinters Kachy (GB) and Sparks Fly (GB), "It's wonderful to have a good horse for Dave. It was a real compliment that he took a chance on me in my first season and it would be lovely to reward him for that."

A former jockey, Tutty is in her third season as a trainer and already has 11 wins on the board from 22 horses to have raced this season.

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TRAINER FABRICE VERMEULEN SUSPENDED THREE MONTHS BY FRANCE GALOP

French trainer Fabrice Vermeulen has been suspended for three months by France Galop, the *Jour de Galop* reported on Tuesday. He is allowed four days to appeal the suspension.

The ruling was made by France Galop following an inspection of Vermeulen's yard on Mar. 11, 2024, where the F.N.C.H. veterinarian noted the existence of a prescription for intraarticular infiltration of a biological substance (hyaluronic acid) that was filled on Jan. 21, 2024 for Indyco (Fr) (Rio De La Plata). That horse ran at Cagnes on Jan. 29, 2024. However, that substance is prohibited eight days prior to running.

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STRAFFAN HORSE ABATTOIR EXPECTED TO BE THE FOCUS OF RTE SPECIAL REPORT



A Straffan abattoir is expected to be at the centre of next week's programme | Sarah Andrew

A special report is set to be broadcast on RTE One and RTE Player on Wednesday, June 12, focusing on what happens to racehorses upon their retirement. A spokesperson for Horse Racing Ireland (HRI) confirmed to the *Nick Luck Daily Podcast* that they have engaged with the programme, responding to questions in relation to specific incidents and their general standpoint on slaughterhouses and euthanasia.

Whilst HRI confirmed that they do not have a clear indication as to what will appear in the programme, it is presumed that the one horse abattoir active in Ireland--based in Straffan and licensed by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine--will be the focus. Horses that have never received certain medicines and therefore are not "signed out" of the food chain (for reasons of human health protection) may be sent to this facility, according to HRI's website.

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WORLD POOL ANNOUNCES RECORD TURNOVER FOR EPSOM AND QUEENSLAND DERBY DAYS

Saturday's fixtures at Epsom in Britain and Eagle Farm in Australia have set a new record for World Pool turnover, with 12 races across the two racedays generating HK\$385.2 million (approx. £38.7m/A\$74.2m).

The previous record for a 12-race composite card came in March of this year when World Pool offered eight races on Dubai World Cup night, alongside two races each from Tancred S. Day and Australian Cup Day, which saw turnover from World Pool bet types of HK\$378.1 million (£38m/A\$72.6m).

The G1 Derby at Epsom itself saw notable growth from its 2023 turnover, up to HK\$51.8 million (\pounds 5.2m) from HK\$41.6 million (\pounds 4.2m), an increase of 24%. With an extra race on the card this year, turnover on the day at Epsom was also up on 2023, as World Pool bet types accumulated to reach HK\$264.5 million (\pounds 26.6m), an increase on last year's total of HK\$249.1 million (\pounds 25m).

Michael Fitzsimons, executive director, Wagering Products of the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC), said, "We have been delighted with the success of World Pool's composite racedays so far this year and it was fantastic to combine all eight races from Epsom Derby Day with our first offering from Eagle Farm, featuring four races on Queensland Derby Day.

"To see record turnover across the cards is hugely exciting and shows the appeal of combining some of the biggest races internationally. We look forward to bringing World Pool customers further opportunities to bet on composite racedays in future."

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Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud 109 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 18:20-RIPON, 5f, Lady Luzon (Ire) €80,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud 121 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners 14:57-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Shostakova (GB)

IRELAND

Arizona (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud 66 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-CURRAGH, 6f, **Besiege (Ire)** €8,500 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; £21,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud 96 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 1-CURRAGH, 7f, Rhodreego (Ire) €70,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023



Pinatubo | Darley

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud 109 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 2-CURRAGH, 6f, **Zambales (GB)**

FRANCE

Wooded (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), Haras de Bouquetot 80 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 3-ARGENTAN, 1300m, New Way Baby (Ire) €15,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 26 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 3-ARGENTAN, 1300m, Marvin of Success (Fr) 1-TARBES, 1100m, Spanish Rose (Fr) €10,000 RNA Osarus September Yearling Sale 2023

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| <u>Name</u> | <u>Sire</u> | <u>Trainer</u> | Owner | Racecourse | Date | | | |
| Manama Gold | Star Guitar | Fawzi Nass | Victorius | Meydan | Jan. 19 | | | |
| Endless Victory (GB) | Teofilo (Ire) | Charlie Appleby | Godolphin | Wolverhampton | Feb. 12 | | | |
| Night Raider (Ire) | Dark Angel (Ire) | Karl Burke | Clipper | Southwell | Mar. 20 | | | |
| Puchkine (Fr) | Starspangledbanner (Aus) | Jean-Claude Rouget | Alain Jathiere | Toulouse | Mar. 20 | | | |
| Purple Lily (Ire) | Calyx (GB) | Paddy Twomey | Zinlo Syndicate | Naas | Mar. 24 | | | |
| Agenda (Ire) | Galileo (Ire) | Aidan O'Brien | Tabor/Smith/Magnier/Brant | Dundalk | Mar. 26 | | | |
| Narkez (Fr) | Siyouni (Fr) | Andre Fabre | Nurlan Bizakov | Saint-Cloud | Mar. 26 | | | |
| Louise Procter (Fr) | Siyouni (Fr) | Jean-Claude Rouget | White Birch Farm | Chantilly | Mar. 28 | | | |
| Notable Speech (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) | Charlie Appleby | Godolphin | Kempton Park | Apr. 6 | | | |
| Delius (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Jean-Claude Rouget | Magnier/Smith/Tabor/Westerberg | ParisLongchamp | Apr. 7 | | | |
| Gala Real (Fr) | Wootton Bassett (GB) | A & G Botti | Scuderia Dei Duepi, Ballylinch Stud, | | | | | |
| | | | Ecurie des Charms & Hisham | | | | | |
| | | | Abdulwahed | Saint-Cloud | Apr. 12 | | | |
| Camille Pissarro (Ire) | Wootton Bassett (GB) | Aidan O'Brien | Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor, | | | | | |
| | | | Derrick Smith & Peter M Brant | Navan | Apr. 27 | | | |
| Sea Just In Time (Ire) | Sea The Stars (Ire) | William Haggas | Sunderland Holding Inc (Ire) | Newmarket | May 3 | | | |
| Mountain Breeze (Ire) | Lope De Vega (Ire) | Charlie Appleby | Godolphin | Newmarket | May 5 | | | |
| Kind Of Blue (GB) | Blue Point (Ire) | James Fanshawe | Michelle Morris & Jan & Peter Hopper | Doncaster | May 18 | | | |
| Ancient Truth (Ire) | Dubawi (Ire) | Charlie Appleby | Godolphin | Newmarket | May 19 | | | |
| Tiego The First (Fr) | Blue Point (Ire) | Pia & Joakim Brandt | Magne Jordanger & Finn Blichfeldt | Saint-Cloud | May 20 | | | |
| Spherical (GB) | Blue Point (Ire) | Roger Varian | Cheveley Park Stud, Ltd. | Yarmouth | May 22 | | | |
| Jan Brueghel (Ire) | Galileo (Ire) | Aidan O'Brien | Westerberg, Susan Magnier, | | | | | |
| | | | Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith | Curragh | May 25 | | | |
| Truly Enchanting (Ire) | No Nay Never | Aidan O'Brien | Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & | | | | | |
| | | | Derrick Smith | Tipperary | May 28 | | | |
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2024 TON FUROPE RISING STARS

OBSERVATIONS on the European racing scene

HOW THEY FARED

14.30 Saint-Cloud, Mdn, €30,000, unraced 2yo, c/g, 7fT Christophe Ferland trainee Silius (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), a son of G1 Prix Marcel Boussac and G1 Prix Saint-Alary heroine Silasol (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}), stumbled and all but fell when badly baulked at the quarter-mile marker. He was tenderly handled thereafter, finishing in excess of 15 lengths behind the winner in 10th, and was promoted to ninth after a stewards' enquiry.

18.45 Lingfield, Novice, £6,300, 2yo, 6f (AWT)

Soldier's Heart (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}), the full-brother to the G3 Prix de Cabourg winner Elite Status (GB) and the joint-highest-priced colt at Tattersalls Book 2 at 425,000gns, was an encouraging second on debut behind a well-regarded colt with plenty of experience.

BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

1st-Leicester, £6,000, Mdn, 6-4, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.49, g/s. PENTLE BAY (IRE) (c, 2, New Bay {GB}--My Wish {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) dwelt at the break and was squeezed for room early in this debut. Towards the rear through halfway, the 5-1 chance made rapid headway into fourth approaching the final furlong and kept on relentlessly under continued rousting to deny American Style (GB) (Washington DC {Ire}) by a head on the line. Pentle Bay is the seventh of eight foals and fifth scorer produced by a winning daughter of stakes-winning G1 Coronation S., G1 Irish Oaks and G1 Prix de l'Opera placegetter Mona Lisa (GB) (Giant's Causeway). Mona Lisa is a granddaughter of G1 Yorkshire Oaks third and dual Group 3winning matriarch Reprocolor (GB) (Jimmy Reppin {GB}). The February-foaled bay is kin to a yearling colt by Supremacy (Ire). Sales history: 120,000gns Wlg '22 TADEWE; €55,000 2yo '24 ARQBRU. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,150.

O-Ed Ware & Ed Babington; B-Ringfort Stud Ltd (IRE); T-George Boughey.

3rd-Leicester, \pounds **10,000, Mdn**, 6-4, 3yo/up, 8f 53yT, 1:47.04, g/s. SO DEUCE (GB) (c, 3, Lope De Vega {Ire}--Deuce Again {GB} {SW

& GSP-Eng}, by Dubawi {Ire}), last seen finishing fourth behind the subsequent Listed Heron S. winner Almaqam (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) at Yarmouth in April, raced keenly tracking the leading duo early. Powering by Gaiety Musical (Ire) (Gregorian {Ire}) approaching the furlong pole, the even-money favourite drew away to score by 4 1/4 lengths. The dam, who captured the Listed Further Flight S. and was third in the G3 Ormonde S., hails from a family of strong-staying middle-distance performers including the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud winner Alkaased (Kingmambo) and the G3 Lancashire Oaks winner and G1 Oaks runner-up Noushkey (GB) (Polish Precedent). Her 2-year-old filly by Territories (Ire) is as-yet unnamed, while she also has a colt foal by Teofilo (Ire). Sales history: 290,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$7,553.

O-Masaaki Matsushima; B-Meon Valley Stud (GB); T-Roger Varian.

1st-Wolverhampton, £7,300, Mdn, 6-4, 2yo, 5f 21y (AWT), 1:01.76, st.

WHERE'S CLARE (IRE) (f, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Jessely {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Charm Spirit {Ire}), runner-up on debut at Carlisle last month, was sent straight to the front. Seeing off the pressure from the top of the straight, the 8-13 favourite hit the line with 2 1/4 lengths to spare over Bantz (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}). The winner is the first foal out of the listed-placed dam, whose yearling filly is by Space Blues (Ire). A half-sister to the Qatar Derby scorer Emperor Maximus (Fr) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), she is also related to the G3 Prix de Conde winner Loi (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}). Sales history: €68,000 RNA Wlg '22 GOFNO1; 45,000gns Ylg '23 TATSOM. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$17,923. O-Paul & Clare Rooney; B-Wansdyke Farm & Joseph Burke Bloodstock (IRE); T-Charlie Johnston.

2nd-Lingfield, £6,300, Novice, 6-4, 2yo, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:10.73, st. AL QUDRA (IRE) (c, 2, No Nay Never--Piece of Paradise {Ire} {SW-Eng}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), third in a decent Newmarket novice last month, was caught wide from the outset racing near the front line. Getting the better of Soldier's Heart (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) approaching the furlong pole, the 4-5 favourite stayed on to score by 2 1/2 lengths. The winner is the first foal out of the Listed Harry Rosebery S.-winning dam, whose yearling filly is by St Mark's Basilica (Fr). She is a granddaughter of the G2 German 1,000 Guineas scorer Dakhla Oasis (Ire) (Night Shift), in turn a full-sister to the GI Hollywood Starlet S. winner Creaking Board (GB). Sales history: €330,000 Wlg '22 GOFNO1; 425,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$11,176.

O-Godolphin; B-Rockfield Farm (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby.

FRANCE

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Saint-Cloud, €**30,000, Mdn**, 6-4, unraced 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:32.70, vsf.

ZULU KINGDOM (IRE) (f, 2, Ten Sovereigns {Ire}--Zindziswa, by **Smart Strike)** broke swiftly from an outer gate and stalked the pace in second through halfway in this debut. Inching ahead at the guarter-mile pole, the 47-10 chance was clear of the carnage in behind when stoked up soon after and kept on strongly under whipless urging to prevail by 3 1/2 lengths from Zagor (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}). Zulu Kingdom is the third of four foals and second scorer out of a multiple-winning full-sister to G3 Prix de Cabourg-winning sire Zanzibari (Smart Strike) and Listed Prix Le Fabuleux third Zenobios (Smart Strike). The February-foaled bay's dam Zindziswa (Smart Strike) is also a half-sister to Listed Prix Roland de Chambure victor Zenji (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Listed Prix du Pont-Neuf winner Zelimir (Grand Slam) and to the dam of Listed Benazet-Rennen victrix Zylpha (Ire) (Elusive City). Zulu Kingdom, whose second dam is G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte and G3 Prix Eclipse victrix Zinziberine (Zieten), is a half-brother to Listed Prix Turenne winner Zulu Warrior (Fr) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}) and a yearling colt by Magna Grecia (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Mme Elisabeth Fabre; B-ECurie Peregrine SAS (IRE); T-Andre

Fabre.

3rd-Saint-Cloud, €**30,000, Mdn**, 6-4, unraced 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:30.50, vsf.

ROSA SALVAJE (IRE) (f, 2, Maximum Security--Idle Hour {SP-US}, by Malibu Moon) broke smartly and found a smooth rhythm along the rail in fifth after the opening exchanges of this debutantes' heat. Nudged along with 500 metres remaining, the 51-10 chance made continued headway under pressure to gain a slender advantage passing the furlong pole and was ridden out to assert by 1 1/4 lengths from Vertical Blue (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), becoming the second winner for her freshman sire (by New Year's Day). Coolmore Ashford resident Maximum Security had collected his first success as a freshman sire when Kentucky-bred colt Monarh Bars annexed his debut run by six lengths at the Pavlovskiy Hippodrome in Russia last month. The filly was bred by Yeguada Centurion SLU who purchased the dam, Idle Hour, for \$130,000 at Keeneland November in 2020. "Rosa Salvaje is off to a very good start today, coming from a stud with whom we have been very lucky. This daughter of Maximum Security showed us a lot of speed and precocity to be maintained until the first 1400m at Saint-Cloud," Christopher

Head told *TDN Europe*. "She will be prepared for a 1600m programme in France and potentially abroad at the end of the year. She has a very beautiful action and a very good mind. She is already one of the best fillies of the stable for this season. I think Maximum Security is going to be a very nice prospect for speed and precocity for the future." Rosa Salvaje is the second of three foals and first scorer produced by a stakes-placed daughter of GI La Brea S. heroine Downthedustyroad (Storm And A Half), herself a half-sister to dual stakes winner Princess Jen (Stutz Blackhawk). The March-foaled bay is half to a yearling filly by Phoenix Of Spain (Ire). Sales history: €75,000 Ylg '23 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Ecurie Francky Defosse, EARL Haras de l'Hotellerie, SNIG Elevage, Frederic Sauque & Christopher Head; B-Yeguada Centurion SLU (IRE); T-Christopher Head.

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Maximum Security sired his second European winner on Tuesday Sarah Andrew

5th-Saint-Cloud, €**27,000, Mdn**, 6-4, unraced 3yo, 12fT, 2:44.44, vsf.

GOLDEN BELLE (FR) (f, 3, Martinborough {Jpn}--Golden Clou {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Kendor {Fr}) slipped to third after racing second early, but regained second with a half-mile elapsed in this debut. Easing to the fore inside the 500-metre pole, the 112-5 outsider was pushed clear inside the final quarter-mile to easily account for Rafferty (Ire) (Ribchester {Ire}) by five lengths. Golden Belle is the latest of seven foals and sixth scorer produced by Listed Grand Prix de la Riviera Cote d'Azur third Golden Clou (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}), herself a half-sister to G3 Prix de Barbeville third Gloirez (Fr) (Saumarez {GB}) out of the dual stakes-placed Glaoutchka (Fr) (Glaieul). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,500. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-SCEA Ecurie Bader (FR); T-Mathieu Brasme.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Saint-Cloud, €28,000, Cond, 6-4, 3yo, 12fT, 2:41.67, vsf. TZAROVSKHA (FR) (f, 3, Sea The Stars {Ire}--Volskha {Fr} {SW & GSP-Fr}, by Le Havre {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €31,500. O-Alain Jathiere; B-Alain Jathiere & Sunderland Holding Inc (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *€130,000 Wlg '21 ARQDEC.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Moro (Fr), c, 3, **Montmartre (Fr)**--Espoir A Realiser (Fr), by Linngari (Ire). Saint-Cloud, 6-4, 15fT, 3:27.52. B-A Maubert (FR).

Moosbeere (Ger), f, 3, Waldgeist (GB)--Margie's Music (Fr) (SP-Ger), by Hurricane Run (Ire). Saint-Cloud, 6-4, 15fT, 3:41.96. B-Gestut Ammerland (GER). *€49,000 Ylg '22 BBASEP. **1/2 to Mr Hollywood (Ire) (Iquitos {Ger}), GSW & MG1SP-Ger, \$317,822.



IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Deus Vult (Ire), c, 4, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Paper Dreams (Ire), by Green Desert. Yulong, 6-1, 1200m, sand, 1:16.45. O-Yulong Horse Industry. B-Mr Donal Boylan (Ire). *45,000gns Wlg '20 TATNOV; €100,000 Ylg '21 GOFSEP. **1/2 to The Lir Jet (Ire) (Prince Of Lir {Ire}), GSW-Eng, G1SP-Ire, GSP-Fr, \$327,320. VIDEO.

Joaquin Sorolla (Ire), c, 4, Galileo (Ire)--Prize Exhibit (GB) (GSP-Eng, MGSW & GISP-US, \$697,375), by Showcasing (GB). Yulong, 6-1, 2600m, sand, 2:57.74. O-Ma He. B-Barrowstown Stud (Ire). *Full to History (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Ire, GSP-Eng. VIDEO.

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LA RACING COMMISSION SWITCHES COURSE, GOES BACK TO ARCI GUIDELINES ON CLENBUTEROL AND DEPO-MEDROL



Sarah Andrew

by Bill Finley

Just days after announcing that a set of emergency rules were about to be enacted on June 8 that would loosen drug regulations in the state when it came to numerous medications, the Louisiana Racing Commission held an emergency meeting Tuesday in which it voted to restore the rules that had been governing Clenbuterol and Depo-Medrol.

The Louisiana Racing Commission kept in place the new rules that had been enacted that covered dozens of other less controversial medications.

Of the numerous drugs over which regulations were changed that, for the most part, called for shorter withdrawal times and higher dosages of medications, the alterations to the rules on Clenbuterol and Depo-Medrol were considered particularly controversial.

Clenbuterol is a bronchodilator that is believed to act like a steroid and build muscle mass. Depo-Medrol is a steroid injected into joints to treat pain and swelling.

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SUSPENSIONS DEFERRED AS HISA CALLS FOR METFORMIN REVIEW

Trainer George Weaver is one of several trainers whose horses have tested positive for metformin who will have their suspensions deferred as the Board of Directors of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) has requested additional review of the drug which is heavily prescribed and used to treat diabetes in people.

"In line with HISA's Anti-Doping and Medication Control requirements, metformin is included in the Prohibited Substances List because there is no recognized therapeutic use for the substance in horses involved in Thoroughbred racing," HISA Board Chairman Charles Scheeler said in a Tuesday release from the organization. "In addition, HIWU has intelligence that some horsemen may be using metformin to try and gain a performance advantage." **Cont. p4**

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY MEET THE OWNERS RAISING A GLASS TO AMY MURPHY

Brian Sheerin finds out more about Daniel Macauliffe and Anoj Don's racing operation. The duo are selling **Hot Darling (Ire)** (Too Darn Hot {GB}) on Tattersalls Online later this month.





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Vlahos spends a quiet moment with Antonio Romero Monday morning at Saratoga Race Course. The son of Kantharos is entered in Saturday's GI Woody Stephens S. | Sarah Andrew

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Tim Wilkin checks in with Seize the Grey (Arrogate) and The Wine Steward (Vino Rosso)'s trainers, respectively, while Mike Kane does the same regarding Dornoch (Good Magic).

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Canadian champion Cairo Consort (*Cairo Prince*) set a new FT Digital Sale record of \$820,000 Tuesday evening, while the six-session under-tack show for OBS June kicked off Tuesday morning with juveniles by **Bucchero** and **West Coast** sharing a bullet.



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Louisiana, which is not under the control of the Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA), had been following guidelines put together by the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI).

Commission members voted unanimously to return to the ARCI rules, which call for a 14-day withdrawal period for Clenbuterol and a 21-day withdrawal period for Depo-Medrol. Under the proposed rules that were set to be enacted June 8, the withdrawal time for Clenbuterol was to be three days and the withdrawal period for Depo-Medrol was to be reduced to seven days.

The changes went against a long-running trend in the sport where regulators, including HISA, had been working to tighten drug rules and to get away from an era where the sport was seen by many as being too lenient when it came to legalized drugs and medications.

"We on the Racing Commission and myself in particular, we are 100 percent for the health and welfare of these beautiful God-given animals," said Commission member Dr. Larry Findley. "As far as Clenbuterol goes, Clenbuterol is an excellent drug and we all know that it is an excellent drug. But it is abused. So I'd like to make a motion to roll back Clenbuterol to where it was and for Depo to go back to where it was so these two drugs can

be looked at and we can take them exactly back to where they were in the beginning."

There was a severe backlash when the new rules were first announced, which included most corners of the industry, including from Churchill Downs, which owns Fair Grounds, and from several prominent trainers who winter at the Fair Grounds but leave the state once that meet is over.

There was also political pressure to make a change. On June 2, a letter signed by 57 members of the Louisiana Legislature and sent to the Commission implored the Commission to return to the ARCI withdrawal times when it came to Clenbuterol and Depro-Medrol.

"Departing from ARCI standards will make Louisiana an outlier as it relates to racing in America," the letter read. "This would be very unfortunate given all the progress the entire industry has made to improve the safety of racing and enhance the purse structure at all tracks in the state... By departing from ARCI standards Louisiana will become an 'island' in the national racing community."

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Metformin suspensions deferred, cont. from p1

"However, there is limited scientific information available regarding the substance's use in horses. The HISA Board feels that further expert analysis on the topic is necessary to determine if any refinement of HISA's rules is appropriate."

HISA and HIWU have asked the Racing Medication & Testing Consortium's Scientific Advisory Committee to conduct a review of the available science relating to metformin. During the review, which is expected to take months, metformin will remain on the prohibited substances list and its presence will result in the automatic disqualification of race results of the relevant covered horse.

Weaver faced a two-year suspension after **Anna's Wish** (Dialed In) returned a positive for metformin following the Cicada S. in March. Through his attorney, Drew Mollica, Weaver had argued the positive was a result of external contamination and that the groom who cares for the horse takes metformin.

Weaver's provisional suspension will be lifted as of Wednesday, according to Mollica.

"George and I are over the moon that HISA has taken the position it has," Mollica said Tuesday afternoon. "We have always believed that George and Anna's Wish were the victim of contamination and the draconian penalties they sought were so out of line that it shocked the conscience and I am glad in a bittersweet way that our exposure on this subject has led to an introspection and scientific look at an issue that needed correction. We look forward to further guidance and George being fully exonerated. George will now start the process of repairing his public image and putting his stable back together."

A representative from HISA responded to an inquiry from *TDN* about how the policy change might affect trainer Jonathan Wong, who was suspended for two years and fined \$25,000 for a 2023 post-race metformin positive.

"Previously resolved cases are not affected by this policy change," said the representative.

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LUKAS NOT WORRIED ABOUT SEIZE THE GREY'S BELMONT POST POSITION by Tim Wilkin

One thing Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas was not going to do was fret over the post position assigned to **Seize the Grey** (Arrogate) for Saturday's GI Belmont S. at Saratoga Race Course.

Seize the Grey got the rail for the 1 1/4-mile Belmont. It's a post most dread, but Lukas, who has won 15 Triple Crown races-including four Belmonts--isn't going to lose any sleep over it.

"You have no control over it," Lukas said, sitting a few feet away from Seize the Grey's stall at his barn on the Oklahoma Training Track Tuesday morning. *Cont.* **GIRVIN** TALE OF EKATI - CATCH THE MOON

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Lukas on Seize the Grey, cont.



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"I just take it in stride. Would I choose the one? No. If I had a choice, I would probably choose the three or the four."

Seize the Grey won the GI Preakness S. going gate-to-wire. Drawing the rail in the Belmont doesn't necessarily mean that Seize the Grey and jockey Jaime Torres will be gunning for the front Saturday.

"If we don't send him, we will have horses on the outside and there is a chance we could get caught covered up on the rail," Lukas said. "This horse is very manageable. You could lay him anywhere in the race and he would be effective. He is not at all a one-dimensional horse. We can do whatever we want with this horse; he is adaptable to any situation."

Ever since he upset the Preakness at 9-1, Lukas has been

raving at how well Seize the Grey, owned by MyRacehorse, bounced out of the race. He said the horse looks better to him heading into the Belmont than he did before the Preakness.

Lukas took Seize the Grey to the main track early Tuesday morning and he galloped a mile and three quarters.

"When he pulled up, you could have said, 'let's do it again," Lukas said. "It was like he hadn't even done anything."

Taking a Chance with The Wine Steward

Trainer Mike Maker said he had been thinking about a match between **The Wine Steward** (Vino Rosso) and the GI Belmont S. for a while.

It goes back to before the New York-bred, owned by Paradise Farms Corp. and David Staudacher, ran in the GIII Stonestreet Lexington S. at Keeneland Apr. 13. *Cont.*



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Maker on The Wine Steward, cont.

The Wine Steward finished second in the Lexington, his first race since last October.

"He really came out of the layoff well," Maker said. "We were talking about [the Belmont] before the Lexington. He is a very consistent horse and he is doing well. We've got to take a chance."

The Wine Steward followed the Lexington with a second in the GIII Peter Pan S., three quarters of a length behind Belmont rival **Antiquarian** (Preservationist).

If he were able to win the Belmont, The Wine Steward would become the fifth New York-bred to do so. The last was Tiz the Law in 2020.

In six career starts, The Wine Steward has three wins and three seconds; four of his races have been in open company.

Manny Franco will ride The Wine Steward in the Belmont. He replaces Luis Saez, who was on board for the colt's last three starts. Saez has opted to ride **Dornoch** (Good Magic) in the Belmont.

The Wine Steward will start from post position four and is 15-1 on the Belmont morning line.

Blazing Sevens Gets Rematch with National Treasure

There has been plenty of talk about the agonizing loss trainer Chad Brown had when **Sierra Leone** (Gun Runner) got beat a nose by **Mystik Dan** (Goldencents) in the GI Kentucky Derby.

Brown experienced another Triple Crown race agony last year when **Blazing Sevens** (Good Magic) lost by a head to **National Treasure** (Quality Road) in the GI Preakness S.

Brown and Blazing Sevens get a rematch Saturday when they meet in the one-mile GI Metropolitan H. on the GI Belmont S. undercard. *Cont.*



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The race also includes **White Abarrio** (Race Day), the 6-5 morning-line favorite. National Treasure is the 8-5 second choice in the six-horse field. Blazing Sevens, owned by Rodeo Creek Racing LLC, is 8-1.

"There might not be many horses in the Met Mile, but it's a real war," Brown said. "[Blazing Sevens] is going to have to come with that Preakness effort to be competitive, but, the way he is training, I do see him doing it."

Blazing Sevens raced just once after the Preakness last year, finishing third in the Curlin S. at Saratoga. He reappeared in an allowance in April and won by a length.

"The horse came back better than expected," Brown said.

So much better that Brown has the confidence to bring him into this spot.

Manny Franco, who rode Blazing Sevens in the allowance race for the first time, keeps the mount.

Brown will also saddle Sierra Leone, the 9-5 morning-line favorite in the GI Belmont S. Saturday. He was originally going to run **Tuscan Gold** (Medaglia d'Oro) in the race as well, but pulled the plug at the last minute.

He did not like the way Tuscan Gold came out of his four-furlong breeze Saturday.

"I didn't want to run him in a race of this magnitude unless he was 100%," Brown said. "I'm going to take a step back and re-evaluate that horse."

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AWAY FROM RAIL, DORNOCH AIMS FOR SMOOTH BELMONT TRIP by Mike Kane

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. - For trainer Danny Gargan, having **Dornoch** (Good Magic) land in Post 6 for the GI Belmont S. was a Monday win that just might lead to a major victory on Saturday.

Five weeks after finishing a never-threatening 10th from the dreaded post position on the rail in the GI Kentucky Derby--a spot in the gate that has not produced a winner since 1986--Dornoch will leave from what Gargan figures will be a more promising location in the field of 10 at Saratoga Race Course.

"I like the six," Gargan said. "I wanted to get to seven or eight, even the nine, but as long as he's not stuck down on the inside, I think we're OK."

While Dornoch had a solid 2-year-old season, capped by a score in the GII Remsen over Belmont morning-line favorite **Sierra Leone** (Gun Runner), 2024 has been far less rewarding for the speedy colt. *Cont.*



Dornoch, cont.

He earned important Derby qualifying points with a win in the GII Fountain of Youth, ran fourth GI Blue Grass, 6 1/2 lengths behind Sierra Leone, and had a brutal trip in the Derby.

Gargan skipped the GI Preakness, sent the full-brother of 2023 Kentucky Derby winner Mage (Good Magic) to Saratoga and began preparing for the Belmont S. The Belmont is being run at historic Saratoga this year and in 2025 during a massive makeover of Belmont Park. Since Saratoga's main track is a 1 1/8-miles oval, the Belmont will be run at 1 1/4 miles, rather than the usual 1 1/2 miles. With a more-favorable post position in hand, Gargan is happy and optimistic.

"I thought going into the Derby, he was doing tremendous," Gargan said. "We're just trying to keep him at that level. I can't really complain about how he's doing. His works have been really good here. He's been working really nice. It's all about getting lucky and getting a clean trip. And if he can get out of there, get into his pace and his rhythm, he'll run big."

There was a considerable buzz at Saratoga last summer leading up to Dornoch's debut on July 29. **Seize the Grey** (Arrogate), who added the Preakness to his resume May 18, led from gate to wire to beat Dornoch by 1 3/4 lengths in a field that included five who have won races thus far, three with stakes victories. Dornoch, co-owned by West Paces Racing LLC, R. A. Hill Stable, Belmar Racing and Breeding, LLC, Two Eight Racing, LLC and Pine Racing Stables, broke his maiden in his third start. In his next outing, he showed he was stakes worthy with his win by a nose in the Remsen Dec. 2.

Gargan put him on the road to the Triple Crown series in the Fountain of Youth at Gulfstream Park Mar. 2. Dornoch secured the win but did not have the type of race Gargan had hoped for.

"We wanted to rate him in the Fountain of Youth and the race just fell apart as the day went on," Gargan said. "We just didn't



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have time to do it. There just wasn't anybody fast enough to get in front of him, so we just went ahead and went on and tried to just get our Derby points."

A month later at Keeneland, Gargan intended for Dornoch to take an important step in his education as a two-turn graded stakes runner from Post 4 in the field of 10.

"We tried to rate him in the Blue Grass, and he kind of got stuck in there and we're like, 'Oh, we're not going to do that again.' Then it kind of happened even worse in the Derby."

Worse might be an understatement. Dornoch's position at the calls in the Derby chart: 13th, 12th 13th, 12th by 12 lengths, 10th by 18.

Gargan said that Dornoch was in trouble as soon as the gates opened. The colt broke a beat slow and **Mystik Dan** (Goldencents), ridden by Brian Hernandez, who Gargan once worked for as an agent, took control of the rail from Post 3.

"Brian Hernandez rode a great race. I've got to give him credit," Gargan said. "He out-broke us and came over and it was over. We got checked in there. Once we got checked the first time he got shuffled back and just kind of didn't get to run the whole race. He got beat up the whole way. Now, hopefully, we get a clean trip and we can show what he can do."

Dornoch has a major-league body and Gargan said the post toward the outside should play to his strengths. *Cont.*

Dornoch, cont.

He's a massive, tall, really good-looking horse," Gargan said. "Physically, he always looks good. It's a little bit mental with him. Hopefully, he gets a trip and doesn't get in behind horses and gets to run. The other day, he just never got to run. You can't keep talking about it. You just throw that race out and go to the next one."

Gargan said was pleased to draw outside of Seize the Grey, who is on the rail, and Mystik Dan, in Post 3. He figures that Seize the Grey and jockey Jaime Torres will have to go to the front, like they did in the Preakness, but isn't sure about what strategy Hall of Fame trainer Todd Pletcher will chose for two-for-two **Mindframe** (Constitution), who drew the outside post. Gargan said his colt does not have to be on the lead, but expects him to be near the pace set by Seize the Grey.

"I'd like for them to go to the front and us sit right off him," Gargan said. "I don't know what Todd is going to do with his colt. He rated first time out, the last time he went to the lead, but it was a slow pace. If he goes, we'll see. I don't think (jockey) Irad (Ortiz, Jr.) will go with him. Irad is a patient rider. I think he'll sit third, hopefully."

Gargan agreed with the suggestion that at 15-1 on the morning line, Dornoch might be getting overlooked.

"I'm good with it," he said. "They're just looking at the Derby. I

guess no one really watched the race but if you watch the replay, you can see he never got the chance to run. If he gets to run, I don't know if he'll win, but he's going to run big."

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BREEDING DIGEST: JUSTIFY CARRIES SPEED

BACK TO EUROPE by Chris McGrath

For the second year running, the G1 Epsom Derby winner was bred from one of Coolmore's countless Galileo (Ire) mares outcrossed to an American sire line. But whereas Sunday Silence's son Deep Impact (Jpn) gave Auguste Rodin (Ire) further turf genes from his mother's European family, City of Troy's sire is a conduit for virtually unadulterated dirt blood. Justify's first four dams are, respectively, by grandsons of Deputy Minister, Seattle Slew, Northern Dancer and Bold Ruler.

The third of those names, of course, transformed the European breed, albeit alongside other American brands such as Sir Ivor, Mill Reef and Roberto.

In fact, City of Troy draws on five different lines of Northern Dancer, four initiated through sons trained in Europe. Three of those, indeed, preceded him at Ballydoyle: Storm Bird, at the root of Justify's sire line; Sadler's Wells, the sire of Galileo; and Nijinsky, grandsire of Justify's third dam. **Cont.**

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Then we have Nureyev, the French-trained half-brother to the dam of Sadler's Wells, who figures as grandsire of City of Troy's second dam. Only Justify's damsire Ghostzapper traces to a son of Northern Dancer trained in North America, Vice Regent.

Yet European horsemen, around a generation ago, appear to have decided that they had taken all they needed from Kentucky stallions. Of the two reasons for this consensus, only one had merit: the laxity of the American medication regime, permitting latent deficiencies to be recycled. (And the painful progress towards greater credibility in this respect feels plainly threatened by news from Louisiana last week.) The other standard objection to American blood, that it had been blindly confined to the single dimension of speed, was always a fatuous misapprehension.

I know that I have shared previously my vexation with an elite European agent who scoffed that he never goes to American sales because "over there they're only interested in speed." But how could someone entrusted with lavish funding be so obtuse?

If anything, it is the commercial market in Ireland and Britain that has gone down that road. Breeders there seem increasingly unable to distinguish mere precocity from the speed that signposts class. In contrast, the majority even of American commercial matings remain governed by the ideal of the first Saturday in May.

The two-turn dirt horse certainly needs speed, but also the constitution and endurance to carry that speed--precisely as Justify did himself, even as a son of Scat Daddy, in the GI Belmont S. In the same way Nijinsky became the last winner of a Triple Crown that in Britain demands far greater range (eight, 12 and 14 furlongs). And it is the disclosure of this underlying robustness that should prevent us meddling with the standards maintained by our predecessors in both the scheduling and distances of the U.S. series.



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I've been saying for years that speed-carrying dirt stallions were the way to break the stranglehold Coolmore had established on Epsom through Galileo and another son of Sadler's Wells, Montjeu (Ire), above all when the European gene pool was otherwise being diluted by cheap speed.

Presumably even that infuriatingly insular agent has finally grasped the point, now that it has been made so vividly by the genius whose fingerprints are all over Justify's sire line. It is true that necessity was the mother of invention; that John Magnier needed extraneous cross-pollination for a broodmare band dominated by the same strains. It's also true that City of Troy bears very little resemblance to his sire, whose brawn qualifies him so luminously for dirt. As a physical specimen, in fact, Justify could scarcely have less in common with Northern Dancer. But that surely just implores us to break down the barriers to imagination. The migrations of Nasrullah or Northern Dancer didn't succeed simply because they were built a certain way, but because some elusive variation either redressed or complemented what had become too isolated a gene pool. **Cont.**

Breeding Digest, cont.

Back in 2018, Tapit's son Wissahickon put up one of the most remarkable performances in the long history of the Cambridgeshire H. at Newmarket, a 3-year-old laughing at 32 rivals under 131lbs. As it happens, that horse had one or two issues and disappointed when transferred to the U.S. the following year. But since his departure, a grand total of three Tapits have raced on British racetracks. Into Mischief, meanwhile, has had four British starters in his entire career.

Such parochialism beggars belief. But that's why last Saturday felt historic. Instead of people like me berating and boring everyone, year after year, City of Troy has condensed all the preaching into an unmissable moment of joy.

Scylla Joins Idiomatic in Promoting Tacitus

The world appeared to be at Scylla's feet, this time last year, when she followed up her debut success with an eight-length allowance romp at Churchill. But she then disappeared until the spring and only now, after regrouping through her first couple of starts back, is she putting it all together. Her success in the GIII Shawnee S. confirms Scylla to be an exceptional broodmare prospect even by the standards of Juddmonte.



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Serial visits to Tapit by her dam, champion Close Hatches (First Defence), have already produced Tacitus to bank \$3.75 million on the racetrack. And meanwhile Idiomatic (Curlin), out of a GI Kentucky Oaks-placed sister to Close Hatches, has lent still greater luster to the page as winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff.

A half-sister to the second dam has also produced Siskin, by the same sire as Close Hatches, to win a Classic in Ireland before catching the astute eye of Shadai. One way or another, then, this branch is duly contributing to the great dynasty founded by Scylla's fifth dam, Best in Show. The mystery is how Xaar, a brilliant champion juvenile in Europe bred from Scylla's fourth dam Monroe--the daughter of Best In Show and Sir Ivor--contrived to disappoint at stud when so many of his siblings showed their genetic prowess as either runners or producers. Having started his career for his breeders, Xaar was cashed out while still racing. One way or another, he never caused them to repent the way they must have done of selling Danehill.

While Scylla and Tacitus have been able to draw upon royal maternal genes, the choice of Tapit for a daughter of First Defence looks pointed. Tapit's damsire Unbridled is also First Defence's grandsire, while First Defence is out of a daughter of Seattle Slew, whose sire line Tapit extends. But what a daughter! Honest Lady was the only female among the four elite winners produced by the blue hen Toussaud (El Gran Senor), one of few mares in the modern breed to stand comparison with Best in Show.

Whatever Scylla does from here, her emergence certainly doesn't discourage the suspicion that Tacitus, standing at just \$10,000, is going to redeem the frustrations he occasionally invited in his first career. His fourth generation aligns a daughter of Best in Show, not only with Toussaud, but also with Weekend Surprise and Narrate (behind Tapit's beautifully bred sire Pulpit). No missing rungs on that ladder.

Pond Paying Off the Long Way Round

Three years before Xaar, Andre Fabre had supervised a similarly dominant juvenile in Pennekamp. Unlike Xaar, the son of Bering came through in the Guineas and duly started hot favorite at Epsom. But he bombed out there and disappeared to stud, where he achieved nothing beyond a handful of daughters that produced competent runners.

The basic functionality of his genes had been attested by siblings on the racetrack. Black Minnaloushe (Storm Cat) won two Group 1s at a mile and Nasr El Arab (Al Nasr {Fr}) won a Group 2 by six lengths. But Black Minnaloushe was soon exported from Ashford to South Africa, and only their half-sister Gift of Dance (Trempolino) would keep the flame alive despite failing to break her maiden in 10 attempts.

Her daughter by Awesome Again, Round Pond, won the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff in 2006 and cost Sheikh Mohammed \$5.75 million on her retirement. She was naturally given every chance with her matings, but only recently has she begun to salvage the investment. *Cont.*



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Breeding Digest, cont.



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She was admittedly still with us when her son Long River (A.P. Indy) became a surprise Group 1 winner in Dubai at the age of seven. But her unraced daughter by Bernardini, Tyburn Brook, has meanwhile deployed his influence as a broodmare sire to produce GI Carter H. winner Speaker's Corner (Street Sense) as well as the brilliantly promising but evidently fragile Knightsbridge (Nyquist). And now Round Pond's final foal, Highland Falls (Curlin), has won a first graded stakes in the GIII Blame S.

This maturing horse may yet become a force in the senior division, not least granted some extra yardage in races like the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup. One step at a time, but I would always take a second look at a stallion that duplicates Deputy Minister the way he does (as damsire of Curlin and grandsire of Round Pond). But whether he can someday join Speaker's Corner at stud, or merely boosts him along with a couple of sisters in the broodmare band, it's "a pound to a penny"--or maybe a Round Pond to a Pennekamp--that this family is not yet confined to past glories.

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SATURDAY SIRES: TAPIT by Jill Williams

While Ashford young gun Justify was busy making waves over the pond this weekend, it was Gainesway's time-tested sire royalty who quietly added to his legacy on American shores.

No matter how you slice it, one stallion in North America--and only one--leads all active lifetime sires by every major category, be it earnings, black-type winners, graded winners, Grade I winners, and even lifetime starters and winners. Unmatched among living active sires, Tapit hasn't had bigger crops than the other stallions on the list (he ranks third among the top 10 by named foals). Nor has he had more crops, as two of the other stallions in the top 10 are also sending their 17th crop to the races this year and most of the rest aren't far behind.

What Tapit does have is sustained excellence. From his first crop to his current runners and through both his sons and his daughters in the breeding shed, Tapit's influence is felt in all corners. To illustrate, one needs to simply take a look at the 10 graded races run in North America this past Saturday. He sired the winner of one (Scylla, GIII Shawnee S.) and was the broodmare sire of two more (Happy Jack, GII Triple Bend S.; and Circle of Trust, GIII Honeymoon S.), while a son sired the winner of another one (Pin Up Betty, by Constitution, GIII Regret S.), and he had two more hit the board, one as sire (Tyson, second in the GII Eclipse S.) and another as broodmare sire (Dreamlike, third in the GIII Blame S.).

"There have been great stallions that have stood at the historic grounds here at Gainesway Farm," said Ryan Norton, stallion director at the storied farm on Paris Pike. "There have been the likes of Bold Bidder, Lyphard, Riverman, Sharpen Up, Unbridled, and Empire Maker, but I don't believe that any have had the success or have shaped the breed as much as Tapit has. People will talk about this horse for years to come like they do with Northern Dancer and Mr. Prospector."

How right he is.

Winchell Thoroughbreds--the same Winchell entity heavily involved with another sire sensation in Gun Runner--purchased Tapit for \$625,000 at the 2002 Keeneland September sale and sent him to Michael Dickinson, who trained him to an undefeated two-for-two juvenile campaign and a game GI Wood Memorial S. win at three. The latter was despite the horse having just recovered from a lung infection at the time.

The son of Pulpit had the race record and he had the right female family--his dam was a half to champion and sire Rubiano from the same family as excellent stallion Relaunch--but Tapit himself would turn out to be the most significant notch in thefamily's belt. *Cont.*



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Saturday Sires, cont.

"Mr. [Antony] Beck and the Gainesway team were obviously very excited about that female family having come from the same family as Relaunch and Rubiano," said Norton. "The fact that he was out of an Unbridled mare and is line bred to Nijinsky also did not hurt."

Tapit was retired to Gainesway for the 2005 season for an advertised \$15,000, which later dropped to \$12,500 until his

first runners emerged. Much has been made of the vintage sire crop of 2005: four sires who entered stud that year remain in the top 50 sires of 2024: Medaglia d'Oro, the late Speightstown, Candy Ride (Arg), and Tapit. All four have been stellar sires, but there's only one Tapit.

"Tapit right now is the king," said Norton. "He is the No. 1 active sire by lifetime stakes winners, graded stakes winners, and Grade I winners. In 2023, he achieved the milestone of having his 100th



 Tapit and Pedro Venegas at Gainesway | Sarah Andrew

graded stakes winner and his 200th graded stakes win with 31 Grade I winners.

"He is 23 and comes into the shed every day acting like he is 13. He very much is still very excited to do his job and continues to be successful in getting mares pregnant."

Tapit kicked off his career and his first crop with his first champion, Stardom Bound--who won the 2008 Eclipse for top 2year-old filly, won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies and captured four other Grade I races--but he didn't stop there. His initial crop contained 14 stakes winners, half of them graded winners, and four Grade I winners.

Ink wells would go dry if we listed all of Tapit's accomplishments, so we'll simply focus on a few of the most dizzying heights: six U.S. champions, 164 black-type winners, 103 graded winners, 31 Grade I winners, and over \$208 million in progeny earnings, the later a North American record. He's had 53 **'TDN Rising Stars'**, an all-time *TDN* record. He's had group winners in Australia, Japan, and Dubai, as well as seven individual Breeders' Cup winners.

Tapit is an industry unto himself with his yearlings having sold for a staggering combined total of more than \$255 million. And just when it seems Tapit couldn't possibly top himself, he sets the bar higher.

His four GI Belmont S. winners are a record, tied only with the

legendary sire of yesteryear, Lexington. In addition, one son has already sired a Belmont winner and a daughter has produced one. It's possible Tapit could add to the list this week. While he doesn't have an entrant this year, his son, Constitution, does (Mindframe).

In 2016, two of his daughters dead heated in the GI Spinaway S. A dead heat in a Grade I race is rare enough, but to have both winners by the same sire? Unprecedented.

After all that, when it couldn't be imagined what else Tapit could possibly do, his 2018 crop emerged. It contained four Grade I winners, career defining for many stallions but nothing new for him. This group was extra special, however. One member was champion 2-year-old and 3-year-old Essential Quality, while another was undefeated 2022 Horse of the Year Flightline, who is widely considered the best and most exciting horse of modern times.

But there's more: "In 2023, he added another feather to his cap

when he became leading broodmare sire in North America," said Norton.

Tapit's daughters have already produced 105 black-type winners, including 53 graded winners. For a glimpse of his daunting prowess through his daughters, one needs only look at the 2023 Eclipse champions: Horse of the Year and repeat Breeders' Cup winner Cody's Wish, champion 3-year-old and Belmont winner Arcangelo, and champion 3-year-old filly and GI Kentucky Oaks winner Pretty Mischievous.

There's a long list of his sons at stud, but perhaps the best indicator of his exploits is this: of a dozen stallions standing in Kentucky for six figures, Tapit and two of his sons (Constitution and Flightline) are three of them. That makes Tapit responsible for a mind-boggling 25% of the six-figure stallions in North America.

Tapit's entire stud career has been a prolonged fairy tale and it's a long way from the end. A Winchell homebred filly named Tapit First was his first juvenile winner of 2024 in April at Keeneland. The crop includes four seven-figure sales yearlings and a seven-figure OBS March 2-year-old. There's also a crop of Tapit yearlings waiting in the wings, as well a crop of current foals. Tapit covered another book this spring.

"Due to his age, we limit him to 85 mares per year," said Norton. *Cont.*

Saturday Sires, cont.

"In 2024, it looks like he will breed a book in the neighborhood of 80 mares."

If the only concession made to his age is a slightly limited book, what delights still await us? Tapit is not one to rest on his laurels. He shows no signs of relinquishing his chokehold on the sire lists, nor of ruling the roost as the pride of Gainesway.

"He is the old hand here at the farm. He has his daily routine memorized and, trust me, he knows when you are five minutes late with his feed and will let you know it," said Norton. "At this point he could probably turn himself out into his paddock and know when it was time to come back in, but he definitely likes to have things done his way."

Clearly the whole package, the gray Tapit even looks like a classic horse from a fairy tale. His enchanted story is one which will continue to influence the sport for generations to come and in which we all get to enjoy witnessing a 'happily ever after.'

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RECORD \$820K FOR CANADIAN CHAMPION CAIRO CONSORT AT FASIG-TIPTON JUNE DIGITAL



Cairo Consort | Coglianese

Canada's 2022 champion 2-year-old filly Cairo Consort (Cairo Prince), winner of the GIII Sweetest Chant S. in 2023 who also placed in both the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf and GI Natalma S. in 2022, sold for \$820,000 to Town and Country Racing at Fasig-Tipton's June Digital Sale, which closed Tuesday evening. The price marked a Digital Sale record. Sold as Hip 26, Cairo Consort was consigned by Highgate Sales, agent.

The June Digital Sale closed with 60 horses sold for a gross of \$2,247,200 and an average of \$37,453. Full results for the sale,

which featured 2-year-olds, horses of racing age, breeding stock, and yearlings, are available at Fasig-Tipton.

"We are very excited about the results for racehorses, topped by graded stakes winner and multiple Grade I performer Cairo Consort," said Leif Aaron, Fasig-Tipton's Director of Digital Sales. "It's gratifying to get such a positive result on such a nice filly, for the sellers and the buyer. We learned it's a bit more difficult to sell broodmares this late in the spring, but the action on the racehorses and yearlings offered was consistent with previous sales. We're very pleased with those results."

Other top sellers Tuesday included Bluewater Sales-consigned Snow Princess (Quality Road, Hip 1), offered in foal to Taiba for 2025, for \$145,000 to Charlie Allen, agent for CAG LLC; and Nasty Habit (Violence, Hip 23), a racing/stallion prospect who went to Steven Young, agent, for \$120,000 from the consignment of Farrior Racing.

Fasig-Tipton's next digital sale will be the July Digital Sale, which opens for bidding on Thursday, July 18, and closes Tuesday, July 23. Nominations are now being accepted through July 10.

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WEST COAST COLT, BUCCHERO FILLY SHARE QUARTER-MILE BULLET AT OBS TUESDAY

by Jessica Martini

The six-session under-tack show for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training kicked off Tuesday morning with juveniles by Bucchero and West Coast sharing the quarter-mile bullet time of :20 3/5, while fillies by Frosted and Munnings shared the day's fastest furlong time of :9 4/5.

A colt by West Coast (hip 16) got the under-tack show off to a quick start with a quarter-mile breeze in :20 3/5 just minutes into the day's session. Consigned by Omar Ramirez Bloodstock, the bay is out of multiple stakes winner Overprepared (Quality Road), who is a half-sister to Grade I winner Shadow Cast (Smart Strike). Omar Ramirez purchased the colt for \$14,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale.

The :20 3/5 time was matched about a half-hour later by a filly by Bucchero (hip 163) who is consigned by Richardson Bloodstock on behalf of breeder Ricardo Romo.

"It's kind of what we've been expecting all year," Lane Richardson said of the breeze. "She's been a straightforward filly, just really nice and athletic, and kind of typical of the sire. We've enjoyed her all year."

The Florida-bred juvenile is out of Sister Aurora (Majestic City). "[Romo] bred her and raised her and had her all winter," Richardson said. "He's done a terrific job." **Cont.**

OBS June under tack, cont.



Hip 163 | Judit Seipert

Of the filly's presence in the June sale, Richardson said, "She was kind of on the bubble for the April sale, so we thought to give her more time."

Waiting for the June sale may also allow the filly to bask in the afterglow of a potential Grade I winner for her sire, with Book'em Danno (Bucchero) going postward in the GI Woody Stephens S. at Saratoga Saturday.

"You want to have something going for you going into these sales and be on the right note going in," Richardson said. "So if something happens there, I think it would be fantastic."

A filly by Frosted (hip 144) was first to work the furlong in :9 4/5 Tuesday morning. Consigned by Grade One Investments, she is a daughter of the unraced Shawklit Cake (Majesticperfection), a half-sister to graded winner Shawklit Mint (Air Forbes One). The juvenile was purchased by Grade One Investments for \$18,000 at the 2023 OBS Winter sale.

A filly by Munnings (hip 34) equaled the :9 4/5 mark some two hours later for Britton Peak. The gray is out of Piccadilly Line (Air Force Blue), a daughter of graded-placed Sloane Square (Giant's Causeway) and a granddaughter of Grade I winner Marleybone (Unbridled's Song). The juvenile was purchased for \$70,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

The under-tack show continues through Sunday with sessions beginning daily at 7:30 a.m.

The June sale will be held next Wednesday through Friday. Bidding begins each day at 10 a.m.

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MOQUETT Q&A: THE STEPS TO MOUNTING AN ADMC DEFENSE

Trainer Ron Moquett, a member of the HISA Horsemen's Advisory Committee, was not immune this past year from the threat of an Anti-Doping and Medication Control (ADMC) violation.

Last fall after the GII Hagyard Fayette S. at Keeneland, a controlled medication called Mepivacaine, which can be used during the gelding process, was found in one of Moquett's horses named **Speed Bias** (Uncle Mo). The conditioner mounted a defense which resulted in a May 29 ruling by a HIWU internal adjudication panel that he would not be fined nor penalized for the post-race positive.

The conditioner joined *TDN* for a discussion of what you can do as a 'covered person' if you find yourself in a similar predicament.

TDN: Ron, thanks for agreeing to an exchange. Looking back at the Speed Bias case, what would you advise others to do if they find themselves in a similar situation?

RM: I would say follow the protocol set forth by HIWU. Things have to be done in a specific order.

First, write your response to the notification to let HIWU know that you acknowledge the notice of the positive and how you wish to proceed. You will need to make a statement explaining that you did not knowingly give the drug in question.

Then, see if you can help them understand where and how your horse came into contact with the substance.

TDN: Are there other resources people might not know about?

RM: If you need help with any of the above, reach out to a HISA Advisory Member and or an Ombudsman, whichever makes you feel more comfortable and let them help you navigate the steps. Keep in mind that you may qualify for legal help from a lawyer that has experience dealing with cases such as this for no charge.

TDN: Speaking of attorney fees, can you tell us how much this whole process cost you? Didn't Speed Bias have to forfeit the purse money he won for finishing third in the GII Hagyard Fayette S.?

RM: Yes, it cost my owners the purse. Besides the stress, it cost me my lawyer fees. Lawyers aren't cheap, but I could not have gone through the process without one. I can tell you that the financial cost to defend this was significantly more than the fine would have been. *Cont.*

Moquett, cont.



Ron Moquett | Coady Photography

TDN: Retaining counsel and doing a records search make total sense, but was there any apprehension that the video evidence from Keeneland and the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission could not be obtained?

RM: The video provided by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission of the day's activities in my shedrow and barn was the key evidence needed to defend this case. That and the fact that the medical records kept on the Portal showing the exact drug used in the standing castration verified the introduction of that medication to the particular stall Speed Bias ran out of.

TDN: So, if you had not obtained that, would it have been difficult to defend yourself?

RM: Without the video it would have been just a trainer stating facts he could not prove while expecting the panel to just take our word of the facts of the case. Instead, they could see it all clearly for themselves verifying what we told them exactly.

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19 ELECTED BREEDERS' CUP MEMBERS

Nineteen individuals have been elected Breeders' Cup Members by 2023 Breeders' Cup foal and stallion nominators in voting that concluded Monday evening. Each Member will serve a four-year term.

The following individuals, listed alphabetically, received the most votes from the Breeders' Cup nominators to fill 19 Member seats: Conrad Bandoroff, Maria Niarchos-Gouaze, Barbara Banke, David O'Farrell, Boyd Browning, Bernie Sams, Doug Cauthen, Alex Solis II, Matt Dorman, Edward (Ned) Toffey, Craig Fravel, Elliott Walden, Eric Gustavson, Barry Weisbord, Bret Jones, Aron Wellman, Gray Lyster, Jacob West, and Clem Murphy.

The elected include three new members: Dorman, Toffey and West.

"The knowledge and insights provided by Breeders' Cup Members prove key in our continued efforts to enhance the Breeders' Cup World Championships and our incentive programs while increasing the safety and integrity of our great sport to the benefit of all," said Banke, Chairman of the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors. "I congratulate those who were newly elected or reelected to serve the Breeders' Cup over the next four years and look forward to working with them."

The Breeders' Cup Members are elected every other year by Breeders' Cup foal and stallion nominators through a proportional voting system based on the level of nominations paid to the organization. There are a total of 39 elected Breeders' Cup Members. The Members meet each July and elect individuals to the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors, which oversees the activities of the organization.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TAKE OWNERSHIP

by Suzi-Pritchard Jones

In recent weeks. this publication has printed two articles by Dan Ross about Thoroughbred racehorses who are falling through the aftercare net, ending up in kill pens for export to either Mexico or Canada for slaughter.

Owner Jack Wolf responded with a possible solution in a letter to the editor in last Friday's *TDN*. Mr. Wolf is not a lone owner. There are many people who are heavily invested in this industry. In today's world when racing's social license to operate is waferthin, our industry is increasingly under scrutiny.

Are you not concerned, if by nothing else other than the optics of Mr. Ross's pieces?

It is time we all row in to allow this sport and business to be recognized with the degree of respect it deserves. There isn't a successful business on the planet that can afford to drop the ball in one area so consistently as this industry does when it comes to breakage--horses without monetary value. Every aspect of the Thoroughbred industry runs like a well-oiled machine...until those horses who did not display enough talent on the racecourse to return to the breeding shed retire from racing. Where do they go, who takes care of them, and whose responsibility is it? **Cont.**

Letter to the Editor, cont.

How does it look when facilities such as Old Friends in Lexington, Kentucky, who take in 'famous' horses who have earned hundreds of thousands of dollars on the racetrack for their owners, have to rely on successive fundraising campaigns to live out their days? Have we become that spoiled and overindulged that when we tire of a toy or a puppy, we just throw it out?

Our parents brought us up better than that. This is not somebody else's problem; it's a horse owners' problem, and it's a horse owners' obligation to solve the problem, because nobody else is going to, and if we don't, we're not going to have an industry. Of that you can be very, very sure.

Many owners and several syndicates have a structure in place to take care of their horses. However, this is not the case across the board, and therein lies the problem. This a solvable issue. We do, however, need to come together and work together to resolve it successfully.

There is no racing industry without owners. It's time now to take ownership of this great game. For if you don't, who will?

Our ace in the hole is that Thoroughbreds are not onedimensional. They are multifaceted, and they are particularly suited to Equine Assisted Services. Currently, there are numerous programs around the world where EAS are working with Thoroughbreds in a multitude of modalities from helping children with autism, learning disabilities, social anxiety, and depression; troubled teenagers; domestic abuse victims; people suffering from PTSD; veterans; first responders; others suffering from addiction. The prison system has also had amazing results with Thoroughbreds within their equine programs.

Thoroughbred horses are changing lives the world over, and it is hugely exciting.

We have the most powerful drug on the planet in this beautiful creature called the Thoroughbred. In this industry, we not only have the capability of turning racing into a sport and industry to be once again immensely proud of, but we have here the opportunity to create meaningful change.

Suzi Pritchard-Jones

Pritchard-Jones is the author of BYERLEY, The Thoroughbred's Ticking Time Bomb, and the founder of the Byerley & Godolphin Conservation breeding project.



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NYRA TO HOST BELMONT STAKES WATCH PARTY AT UBS ARENA

The New York Racing Association (NYRA) will be hosting a Belmont Stakes Watch Party just steps from the race's traditional home track on Long Island. The event will be held at Northwell Presents The Park at UBS Arena, a community space unveiled in December featuring two outdoor hockey rinks and a variety of amenities. Northwell Presents The Park at UBS Arena is located in the Belmont Park backyard adjacent to UBS Arena.

The Belmont Stakes Watch Party will open at 1 p.m. and is free of charge, with complimentary parking available in the Ruby and Silver Lots. Family friendly activities will include mini golf, an obstacle course, bounce house and a dunk tank. Guests are permitted to bring folding chairs. The classic Belmont Jewel signature drink will also be for sale.

Although tickets are not required, guests planning on attending should RSVP at Watch Party.

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MUSEUM COMPLETES DERBY 150 UPDATES

The Kentucky Derby Museum has completed updates to its Winner's Circle Exhibit to include **Mystik Dan** (Goldencents)'s victory in this year's 150th running of the race.

Mike Prather, a local artist who was first commissioned by the Museum to airbrush a replica Derby horse in 1999, captured all of Mystik Dan's unique markings and details to match how he looked crossing the finish line at Churchill Downs May 4.

The replica jockey was also given a makeover with the team's silks.

The new addition to the exhibit includes items on loan which highlight the historic Oaks/Derby double win by jockey Brian Hernandez, Jr. and trainer Kenny McPeek: a halter and a horseshoe worn by Mystik Dan and a halter and a horseshoe worn by **Thorpedo Anna** (Fast Anna). *Cont.*



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Derby Museum, cont.

After taking selfies with the Derby winners, visitors can dive into the story of their journey to victory by learning about the winning connections through a series of self-guided panels in the exhibit.

For more information, visit www.derbymuseum.org.

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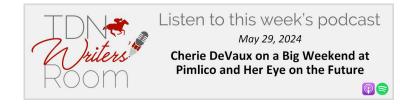
NTRA LAUNCHES 'TODAY IN RACING HISTORY' CAMPAIGN

The National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) has launched "Today in Thoroughbred Racing History" to highlight noteworthy moments and accomplishments in the sport from the last two centuries. The NTRA.com website will automatically update daily with rotating historical events that happened on the current date. The events will also be highlighted across all of the organization's social media platforms.

"As America's oldest sport, it's important to take a step back and always remember where we came from," said NTRA President and CEO Tom Rooney. "Like so many other families involved in horse racing, the history of my family has been built in large part because of the events that happened in our sport, and that's something I have always reflected on. As we move through this exciting Triple Crown season, we as a sport have a lot to be optimistic about. Remembering these historical moments is a fun way to remember the traditions we are working to preserve for future generations."

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Thursday, Saratoga #10, post time: 5:50 p.m. EDT BELMONT GOLD CUP S.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 2mT

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Breeders: 1-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC, 2-George Strawbridge, 3-Colts Neck Stables LLC, 4-Gunpowder Farms LLC, 5-George Strawbridge Jr., 6-Newstead Corp, 7-John C. Oxley, 8-Country Roads LTD., 9-Payson Stud Inc, 10-International Equities Holding, Inc., 11-Longfield Stud, 12-Godolphin, 13-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, 14-Don Alberto Corporation

Friday, Saratoga #11, post time: 6:05 p.m. EDT NEW YORK S. PRESENTED BY RIVERS CASINO-GI. \$750.000. 4vo/up. f/m. 1 3/16mT

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| 1 | McKulick (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Ortiz, Jr. | 122 |
| 2 | English Rose (Ire) | Frankel (GB) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Buick | 122 |
| 3 | Didia (Arg) | Orpen | Merriebelle Stables and Resolute Racing | Correas, IV | Ortiz | 122 |
| 4 | Aspen Grove (Ire) | Justify | Glen Hill Farm and Magnier, Mrs. John | Sisterson | Gaffalione | 124 |
| 5 | American Sonja (GB) | Tasleet (GB) | Mark Dobbin | O'Brien | Dettori | 120 |
| 6 | Fev Rover (Ire) | Gutaifan (Ire) | Tracy Farmer | Casse | Castellano | 124 |
| 7 | Neecie Marie | Cross Traffic | Michael Milam | Reid, Jr. | Rosario | 120 |
| 8 | Be Your Best (Ire) | Muhaarar (GB) | Michael J. Ryan | De Paz | Carmouche | 118 |
| 9 | Sparkle Blue | Hard Spun | Augustin Stable and Parke, Catherine | Motion | Ruiz | 122 |
| 1 |) 🛛 War Like Goddess 🕋 | English Channel | George Krikorian | Mott | Alvarado | 124 |
| 1 | Star Fortress (Ire) | Sea The Stars (Ire) | Gunther, John D. and Eurowest Bloodstock Services | DeVaux | Saez | 120 |
| 1 | 2 Royalty Interest (Fr) | Le Havre (Ire) | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Cancel | 120 |
| 1 | 3 Surprisingly 🕋 | Mastery | Repole Stable | Pletcher | Prat | 120 |
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Breeders: 1-Essafinaat UK Ltd, 2-Godolphin, 3-La Manija, 4-Glen Hill Farm, 5-Whatcote Farm Stud, 6-Manister House Stud, 7-Jon A. Marshall, 8-St. Croix Bloodstock, 9-Catherine Parke, 10-Calumet Farm, 11-Sahara Group/Eurowest/Sunderland Hldgs, 12-China Horse Club International LTD, 13-Phipps Stable

Friday, Saratoga #10, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

JUST A GAME S.-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT PP HORSE SIRE OWNER TRAINER JOCKEY WT 1 Mission of Joy Kitten's Joy RyZan Sun Racing, LLC and Madaket Stables Motion Velazquez 120 Beaute Cachee (Fr) Literato (Fr) Louis Lazzinnaro LLC, Madaket Stables LLC, Brown Franco 124 2 Caruso, Michael J. and Dubb, Michael Gina Romantica 🕋 Into Mischief Peter M. Brant 124 3 Brown Gaffalione 4 Coppice (GB) Kingman (GB) Juddmonte Brown Dettori 118 Davis Evvie Jets 🕋 The Estate of Robert J. Amendola Kantarmaci 122 5 Twirling Candy 6 Chili Flag (Fr) Cityscape (GB) Madaket Stables LLC, Dubb, Michael and Brown Ortiz, Jr. 122 Kisber, Michael E. 7 Whitebeam (GB) Caravaggio Juddmonte Brown Prat 124

Breeders: 1-Sam-Son Farm, 2-Gregor Vischer, 3-Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & CraigBrogden, 4-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 5-Farfellow Farms Ltd., 6-Finanza Locale Consulting SRL, 7-Juddmonte Farms Ltd

Friday, Saratoga #12, post time: 6:40 p.m. EDT DK HORSE ACORN S.-GI, \$500,000, 3vo, f, 1 1/8m

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| 1 | Becky's Joker < | Practical Joke | Lee Pokoik | Contessa | Lopez | 120 |
| 2 | Power Squeeze < | Union Rags | Lea Farms, LLC | Delgado | Castellano | 120 |
| 3 | Leslie's Rose 🕋 | Into Mischief | Whisper Hill Farm, LLC | Pletcher | Ortiz, Jr. | 120 |
| 4 | Just F Y I | Justify | George Krikorian | Mott | Alvarado | 122 |
| 5 | My Mane Squeeze | Audible | Butler, William J. and WinStar Farm LLC | Maker | Saez | 120 |
| 6 | Where's My Ring 🖛 | Twirling Candy | Michael McMillan | Brinkerhoff | Gaffalione | 120 |
| 7 | Regulatory Risk 🕋 | Omaha Beach | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Ortiz | 118 |
| 8 | Gun Song 🕋 | Gun Runner | R. Lee Lewis | Hennig | Velazquez | 120 |
| 9 | Thorpedo Anna | Fast Anna | Alaali, Nader, Edwards, Mark, Hicks, Judy B. and Magdalena Racing | McPeek | Hernandez, Jr. | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Warran J. Harang, 2-Forging Oaks Farm, LLC, 3-John D. Gunther & Eurowest BloodstockServices, 4-George Krikorian, 5-William Butler, 6-Don Alberto Corporation, 7-Upson Downs Farm & Louis W. Wright, 8-Marianne Stribling, 9-Judy Hicks

Friday, Saratoga #9, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT INTERCONTINENTAL S. PRESENTED BY MTV SOLUTIONS-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT

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| 1 | Run for the Hills < | Runhappy | Gary Barber | Casse | Ortiz | 118 |
| 2 | Kaufymaker | Jimmy Creed | Gregory Kaufman | Ward | Saez | 118 |
| 3 | Everyoneloveslinda 🖛 | Secret Circle | Red Storm Stable | Rice | Cancel | 120 |
| 4 | Lady Milagro | First Dude | Laderer, Amanda and Rivas, Dianette | Martin | Rivera, Jr. | 122 |
| 5 | Future Is Now | Great Notion | R. Larry Johnson | Trombetta | Lopez | 122 |
| 6 | Roses for Debra < | Liam's Map | Cheyenne Stable LLC and O'Meara, John | Clement | Ortiz, Jr. | 124 |
| 7 | Medalla Match | Summer Front | Twisted Chaps Racing Stables LLC | DeVaux | Hernandez, Jr. | 122 |
| 8 | Gal in a Rush < | Ghostzapper | West Point Thoroughbreds, Larsen, Chris and | Clement | Prat | 118 |
| | | | Titletown Racing Stables | | | |
| 9 | Spicybug 🕋 | Speightstown | Mike G. Rutherford | McCarthy | Franco | 118 |
| 10 | Love Reigns (Ire) | U S Navy Flag | Stonestreet Stables LLC | Ward | Rosario | 118 |

Breeders: 1-Peter A. Berglar Racing Interests, LLC, 2-Greg Kaufman, 3-E. H. Beau Lane III, 4-Dianette Rivas & Amanda Laderer, 5-R. Larry Johnson, 6-Blackstone Farm LLC, 7-Jane Wiggins, 8-Tom & Mary Lou Teal & Adena Springs, 9-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, 10-Patrick Grogan

Saturday, Saratoga #12, post time: 6:41 p.m. EDT

BELMONT S. PRESENTED BY NYRA BETS-GI, \$2,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m PP HORSE SIRE OWNER TRAINER JOCKEY WT Torres 126 1 Seize the Grey Arrogate MyRacehorse Lukas 2 Into Mischief 126 Resilience Emily Bushnell and Ric Waldman Mott Alvarado 3 Mystik Dan Goldencents Four G Racing, Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby III, McPeek Hernandez, Jr. 126 and Valley View Farm LLC Paradise Farms Corp. and David Staudacher Vino Rosso 126 4 The Wine Steward Maker Franco 5 Antiquarian 🕋 Preservationist **Centennial Farms** Pletcher Velazquez 126 6 126 Dornoch 🖛 Good Magic West Paces Racing, R. A. Hill Stable, Belmar Racing Gargan Saez and Breeding, LLC, Two Eight Racing, LLC, and Pine Racing Stables 7 Protective 🕋 Medaglia d'Oro **Repole Stable** Pletcher Gaffalione 126 Ribble Farms LLC, Michael H. Eiserman, Earl Silver, Beckman 8 Honor Code Geroux 126 Honor Marie 🕋 Kenneth Fishbein and Dave Fishbein 9 Sierra Leone Gun Runner Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, Derrick Smith, Westerberg, Rocket Ship Racin and Peter Brant Prat 126 Brown 10 Mindframe 🕋 Constitution Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC Pletcher Ortiz, Jr. 126

Breeders: 1-Jamm, LTD., 2-Pam & Martin Wygod, 3-Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby & 4GRacing, LLC, 4-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC, Lakland Farm& Mark Toothaker, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-Grandview Equine, 7-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 8-Royce Pulliam, 9-Debby M. Oxley, 10-R. Larry Johnson

Saturday, Saratoga #10, post time: 4:52 p.m. EDT CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN." HILL 'N' DALE METROPOLITAN H.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1m PP HORSE SIRE OWNER TRAINER JOCKEY WT Sanford J. Goldfarb, Nice Guys Stables, 1 Castle Chaos Palace Malice Falcone, Jr. Davis 118 and Robert N. Falcone, Jr., 2 National Treasure **Quality Road** SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Baffert Prat 125 Robert E. Masterson, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Jay A. Schoenfarber, Waves Edge Capital LLC, and Donovan, Catherine 3 Post Time Frosted Hillwood Stable LLC Russell Russell 120 4 Blazing Sevens 🕋 Good Magic Rodeo Creek Racing, LLC Brown Franco 122 5 Hoist the Gold 🕋 Mineshaft Dream Team One Racing Stable Stewart Velazquez 120 6 White Abarrio Race Day C Two Racing Stable, Antonio Pagnano, and Dutrow, Jr. Ortiz, Jr. 126 Prince Faisal bin Khaled bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud

Breeders: 1-Dragon Slayer Stable, 2-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 3-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Dr. Brooke Bowman & Milton P. Higgins III, 4-Tracy Farmer, 5-Dream Team Racing, 6-Spendthrift Farm, LLC

Saturday, Saratoga #11, post time: 5:36 p.m. EDT RESORTS WORLD CASING MANHATTAN S-GL \$1,000,000, 4vo/up, 1,3/16mT

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| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
| 1 | I'm Very Busy | Cloud Computing | Team Hanley, Richard Schermerhorn, and Paul Braverman | Brown | Ortiz, Jr. | 122 |
| 2 | Ohana Honor 🕋 | Honor Code | West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing, LLC, | | | |
| | | | Edward J. Hudson, Jr. and Lynne Hudson | McGaughey III | Carmouche | 118 |
| 3 | Kertez (GB) | Intello (Ger) | Michael Dubb, Morris Bailey and West Point | Clement | Rosario | 122 |
| 4 | Strong Quality | Quality Road | Gary Barber and Kinsman Stable | Casse | Geroux | 118 |
| 5 | Program Trading (GB) | Lope de Vega (Ire) | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Prat | 124 |
| 6 | Al Riffa (Fr) | Wootton Bassett (GB) | Al Riffa Syndicate and Joseph O'Brien | O'Brien | Velazquez | 118 |
| 7 | Nations Pride (Ire) | Teofilo (Ire) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Dettori | 124 |
| 8 | Far Bridge | English Channel | LSU Stables | Clement | Ortiz | 124 |
| 9 | Measured Time (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Buick | 124 |
| | | | | | | |

Breeders: 1-Glenn E. Brok LLC & Mark Toothaker, 2-Daniel J. Burke, 3-Wertheimer et Frere, 4-Kinsman Farm, 5-Fittocks Stud & Arrow Farm & Stud, 6-Haras d'Etreham, B Chalmel, Cofinvest, Meridian International SARL, 7-Godolphin, 8-Calumet Farm, 9-Godolphin

Saturday, Saratoga #7, post time: 2:36 p.m. EDT

OGDEN PHIPPS S.-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m



| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|--------------------|---------------|---|-------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Randomized 🕋 | Nyquist | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Rosario | 124 |
| 2 | Tizzy in the Sky | Sky Kingdom | KimDon Racing, LLC | Pletcher | Carmouche | 118 |
| 3 | Pretty Mischievous | Into Mischief | Godolphin, LLC | Walsh | Gaffalione | 124 |
| 4 | Soul of an Angel | Atreides | C Two Racing Stable and Agave Racing Stable | Joseph, Jr. | Ortiz, Jr. | 122 |
| 5 | Idiomatic | Curlin | Juddmonte | Cox | Geroux | 124 |
| 6 | Raging Sea < | Curlin | Alpha Delta Stables, LLC | Brown | Prat | 120 |

Breeders: 1-Cove Springs, LLC, 2-Westrock Stables LLC, 3-Godolphin, 4-Westbrook Stables, LLC, 5-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 6-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC

Saturday, Saratoga #8, post time: 3:22 p.m. EDT

WOODY STEPHENS S. PRESENTED BY MOHEGAN SUN-GI, \$500,000, 3yo, 7f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|------------------|---|-----------|--------------|-----|
| 1 | Book'em Danno | Bucchero | Atlantic Six Racing, LLC | Ryan | Ortiz, Jr. | 122 |
| 2 | Barksdale 🕋 | Street Sense | Cypress Creek Equine | Walden | Gaffalione | 118 |
| 3 | Imagination 🕋 | Into Mischief | SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, | Baffert | Dettori | 124 |
| | | | Stonestreet Stables LLC, Dianne Bashor, | | | |
| | | | Robert E. Masterson, Waves Edge Capital LLC, | | | |
| | | | Catherine Donovan and Tom J. Ryan | | | |
| 4 | Valentine Candy | Justify | L. William & Corinne Heiligbrodt, Jackpot Farm, | Asmussen | Santana, Jr. | 122 |
| | | | Whispering Oaks Farm and Coteau Grove Farms | | | |
| 5 | Frost Free 🕋 | Frosted | Keene Thoroughbreds LLC | Creighton | Ortiz | 124 |
| 6 | Reasoned Analysis 🕋 | Upstart | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Cancel | 122 |
| 7 | Prince of Monaco | Speightstown | SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, | | | |
| | | | Stonestreet Stables LLC, Dianne Bashor, | | | |
| | | | Robert E. Masterson, Waves Edge Capital LLC, | | | |
| | | | Catherine Donovan and Tom J. Ryan | Baffert | Prat | 124 |
| 8 | Vlahos 🕋 | Kantharos | Ty Leatherman, Dan Northrup, Todd Cady, and | O'Neill | Maldonado | 118 |
| | | | Pappas Horse Racing Corp | | | |
| 9 | Nash | Medaglia d'Oro | Godolphin, LLC | Cox | Geroux | 122 |
| 10 | Nutella Fella 🕋 | Runhappy | Bell Gable Stable LLC | Contessa | Alvarado | 124 |
| 11 | Maximus Meridius | Maximus Mischief | LC Racing, Cash is King and Robert Reid, Jr. | Reid, Jr. | Rosario | 118 |
| 12 | Be You 🕋 | Curlin | Repole Stable | Pletcher | Velazquez | 118 |
| | | | | | | |

Breeders: 1-Gregory J. Kilka & Bright View Farm, 2-Dixiana Farms, LLC, 3-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 4-Pine Creek LP, 5-Jackpot Farm, 6-Jack Miller & Upstart Syndicate, 7-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 8-John Bates, Ron Kirk & Greg McDonald, 9-Godolphin, 10-Ashview Farm, 11-Westerly Farm, 12-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC



Saturday, Saratoga #9, post time: 4:08 p.m. EDT

CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN."

| JA | IPUR SGI, \$500,000, | 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT | BREEDERS CHALLENGE SEF | RIES WIN | AND YOU'RE | IN.™ |
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| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
| 1 | Thin White Duke | Dominus | P. Gleaves, S. Crist, Ken deRegt & Bryna Hilliard | Donk | Ortiz | 120 |
| 2 | Arzak 🕋 | Not This Time | Sonata Stable | Trombetta | Torres | 124 |
| 3 | Dancing Buck | War Dancer | J and N Stables and Diamond M Stable | Nevin | Franco | 120 |
| 4 | Coppola 🕋 | Into Mischief | Hammer Time Stable and S.O.K. Racing | Romans | Zayas | 120 |
| 5 | Big Invasion 🕋 | Declaration of War | Reeves Thoroughbred Racing | Clement | Rosario | 124 |
| 6 | Star of Mystery (GB) | Kodiac (GB) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Prat | 117 |
| 7 | No Nay Mets (Ire) | No Nay Never | Bregman Family Racing, I. Carbrera & Edge Racing | Gulyas | Dettori | 118 |
| 8 | Cogburn < | Not This Time | Clark Brewster, L. William and Corinne Heiligbrodt | Asmussen | Ortiz, Jr. | 126 |
| 9 | Sosua Summer 🕋 | Summer Front | Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary and R.T Racing Stable | Mott | Saez | 120 |
| 10 | Alogon | California Chrome | Charles T. Matses | Allard | Alvarado | 120 |
| 11 | Filo Di Arianna (Brz) | Drosselmeyer | Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable and Deutsch, Peter | Casse | Gaffalione | 118 |
| 12 | Mischief Magic (Ire) | Exceed And Excel (Aus) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Buick | 120 |
| 13 | Grooms All Bizness | Fed Biz | Colts Neck Stables LLC | Duarte, Jr. | Ruiz | 120 |
| 14 | Outlaw Kid | Violence | R. A. Hill Stable and SGV Thoroughbreds | Gulyas | Castellano | 120 |
| 15 | American Monarch | American Pharoah | Mike G. Rutherford | Mott | Lezcano | 120 |
| 16 | Souper Quest | Munnings | Live Oak Plantation | Casse | Velazquez | 120 |

Breeders: 1-Phil Gleaves, 2-John C. Oxley, 3-J & N Stables LLC, 4-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 5-John O'Meara, 6-Godolphin, 7-Coolmore, 8-Bellary Bloodstock, 9-Brereton C. Jones, 10-Charles T. Matses, 11-Stud Principessa di Capri, 12-Godolphin, 13-Colts Neck Stables, LLC, 14-Robert G. Harvey, 15-Mike G. Rutherford, 16-Live Oak Stud

Saturday, Saratoga #4, post time: 12:31 p.m. EDT

TRUE NORTH S. PRESENTED BY F. W. WEBB-GII, \$350,000, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Ninetyprcentmaddie | Weigelia | LC Racing LLC | Reid, Jr. | Lezcano | 118 |
| 2 | Rotknee | Runhappy | William J. Butler | Maker | Franco | 118 |
| 3 | Twenty Four Mamba 🕋 | Classic Empire | PlayingTheField Racing, Final Turn Racing Stable, | Baker | Davis | 118 |
| | | | WLIR Racing Stables and Acqua Nova Stable | | | |
| 4 | Accretive 🕋 | Practical Joke | Klaravich Stables, Inc. | Brown | Ortiz, Jr. | 118 |
| 5 | Gun Pilot | Gun Runner | Three Chimneys Farm, LLC | Asmussen | Torres | 124 |
| 6 | Gun It 🕋 | Tapit Winning Move Stable | Rice | Ortiz | 118 | |
| 7 | Baby Yoda | Prospective | Pantofel Stable, LLC, Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary, | Mott | Cancel | 118 |
| | | | and Zaro, Jerold L. | | | |

Breeders: 1-LC Racing LLC, 2-William Butler, 3-Respite Farm, Inc, 4-Falcon Wood Partners, 5-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 6-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC and Besilu Stables, LLC, 7-Kathleen Amaya, Alexandro Centofanti & Raffaele Centofanti

Saturday, Saratoga #6, post time: 1:51 p.m. EDT

SUBURBAN S.-GII, \$350,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Signator | Tapit | West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing, LLC, | McGaughey III | Castellano | 118 |
| | | | Gainesway Stable, Phipps Stable, Langone, Ken, | | | |
| | | | Edward & Lynne Hudson, Jr. and Lane's End Racing | | | |
| 2 | Kuchar | Uncle Mo | LSU Stables | Rodriguez | Prat | 118 |
| 3 | Masqueparade 🕋 | Upstart | John Holleman | Atras | Franco | 118 |
| 4 | Charge It | Tapit Whisper Hill Farm, LLC | Pletcher | Velazquez | 122 | |
| 5 | Time for Trouble 🕋 | English Channel | Hiles, Jeff A. and Thorndale Stable | Hiles | Torres | 118 |
| 6 | Good Skate | American Freedom | Jordan V. Wycoff | Maker | Gaffalione | 118 |
| 7 | Crupi 🕋 | Curlin | Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC | Pletcher | Ortiz, Jr. | 118 |
| 8 | Bendoog | Gun Runner | Mohammed Khaleel Ahmed | Mott | Lezcano | 118 |
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Breeders: 1-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD., 2-WinStar Farm, LLC, 3-Brereton C. Jones, 4-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 5-Calumet Farm, 6-Brereton C. Jones, 7-Claiborne Farm, 8-Calumet Farm

Saturday, Saratoga #5, post time: 1:11 p.m. EDT

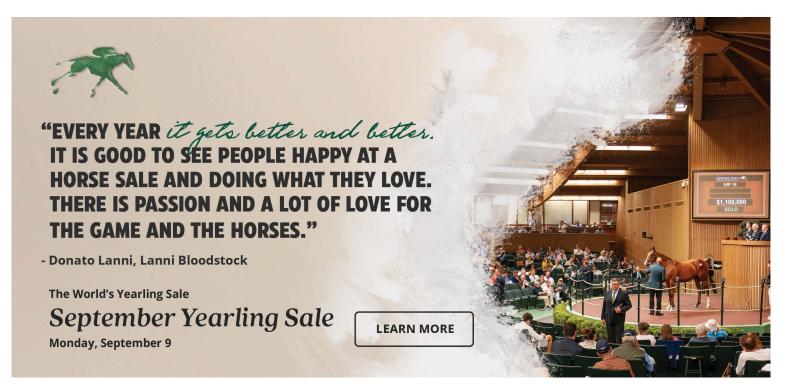
| POKER SGIII , \$350,000, 4yo/up, 1mT | | | | | | | | | | |
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| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT | | | | |
| 1 | Mysterious Night (Ire) | Dark Angel (Ire) | Godolphin, LLC | Appleby | Buick | 122 | | | | |
| 2 | Casa Creed 🕋 | Jimmy Creed | LRE Racing LLC and JEH Racing Stable LLC | Mott | Saez | 124 | | | | |
| 3 | Carl Spackler (Ire) | Lope de Vega (Ire) | e Five Racing Thoroughbreds | Brown | Gaffalione | 124 | | | | |
| 4 | Ice Chocolat (Brz) | Goldikovic (Ire) | Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable and Deutsch, Peter | Casse | Ortiz | 118 | | | | |
| 5 | Front Run the Fed 🖛 | Fed Biz | George A. Sharp | Caramori | Torres | 118 | | | | |
| 6 | Kubrick (Ire) | Dubawi (Ire) | Peter M. Brant | Brown | Prat | 118 | | | | |
| 7 | Talk of the Nation | Quality Road | Allen Stable, Inc. and CHC INC. | Pletcher | Ortiz, Jr. | 118 | | | | |
| 8 | Lucky Score < | Lookin At Lucky | Barber, Gary, Pantofel Stable and Wachtel Stable | Casse | Rosario | 118 | | | | |

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-Silver Springs Stud, LLC, 3-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock, 4-Haras Niju, 5-Colts Neck Stables, 6-White Birch Farm, SC, 7-CHC Inc., 8-James Everatt, Janeane Everatt & ArikaEveratt-Meeuse

Sunday, Churchill Downs #8, post time: 4:22 p.m. EDT

| MATT WINN SGIII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m | | | | | | | | | | |
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| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT | | | | |
| 1 | Northern Flame | Flameaway | Oxley, Jack, Harold Lerner LLC, AWC Stables and Magdalena Racing | McPeek | Leparoux | 118 | | | | |
| 2 | Who Dey | Liam's Map | Maccabee Farm LLC | Drury, Jr. | Hernandez, Jr. | 118 | | | | |
| 3 | Scatify | Justify | West Point Thoroughbreds | Sadler | Ortiz | 118 | | | | |
| 4 | West Saratoga 🕋 | Exaggerator | Harry L. Veruchi | Demeritte | Castanon | 118 | | | | |
| 5 | Rocketeer | Curlin | e Five Racing Thoroughbreds and Brennan, lan | Cox | Gaffalione | 118 | | | | |
| 6 | Nash | Medaglia d'Oro | Godolphin, LLC | Cox | Geroux | 118 | | | | |
| 7 | Society Man < | Good Magic | Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, West Paces Racing GMP Stables, Pascarella, Carl & Pascarella, Yurie | Gargan | Lanerie | 118 | | | | |
| 8 | Mighty Message | Goldencents | Highlander Training Center | Amoss | Torres | 118 | | | | |
| 9 | Next Level 🕋 | Vino Rosso | Don't Tell My Wife Stables | Desormeaux | Loveberry | 118 | | | | |
| 10 | Luna Tap | Ransom the Moon | Calumet Farm | O'Neill | Machado | 118 | | | | |

Breeders: 1-Debby M Oxley, 2-Maccabee Farm, 3-Doug Branham & Felicia Branham, 4-Two Hearts Farm II LLC, 5-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock & GlenwoodBreeding, 6-Godolphin, 7-SF Bloodstock LLC, 8-Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly S. Seltzer, 9-White Fox Farm, 10-Calumet Farm



NORTH AMERICAN RACING



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

8th-Parx Racing, \$64,000, Msw, 6-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.27, fm, 1/2 length.

MISS PRETENDER (f, 3, Mendelssohn--Guise, by Exchange Rate) was caught late and settled for second after setting the pace in her one-mile debut over the Tampa lawn Apr. 28. The 2-5 favorite broke alertly from her inside draw and shadowed the pacesetter while in tight quarters into the first turn. She rated just off the leader down the backstretch through tepid splits, tipped out three wide and opened a clear advantage in upper stretch before holding off the late-charging Queen Rocket

(Tapwrit) to win by a half-length. Miss Pretender was a \$22,000 KEEJAN yearling, a \$110,000 OBSOCT yearling and a \$260,000 OBSAPR juvenile. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO**, **sponsored by FanDuel TV.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$48,400. O-Team Hanley & Thirty Year Farm; B-Barlar (PA); T-C Brown.

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw, 6-4, 2yo, f, 5f, 1:00.37, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

STURGEON MOON (f, 2, Instagrand--La Regia, by Warrior's Reward), the 1-5 favorite in this debut, led home a one-two finish for her freshman sire. The bay filly was hustled from her outside post to rush up and press the rail-drawn Streaking (Instagrand) through fractions of :23.06 and :47.24. She reeled in the pacesetter in deep stretch before striding clear to graduate by 2 1/4 lengths. Sturgeon Moon is the second winner for Instagrand (Into Mischief), who carried the colors of Larry Best's OXO Equine to victory in the 2018 GII Best Pal S. and a third-place finish in the 2019 GI Santa Anita Derby.



Best purchased Sturgeon Moon for \$60,000 as a weanling at the 2022 Keeneland November sale. La Regia has a yearling colt by Tapiture who sold for \$20,000 at the 2023 Keeneland November sale, and she produced a full-sister to Sturgeon Moon this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200.

O-OXO Equine LLC; B-Phalaris, LLC (KY); T-Paulo H. Lobo. Raised & Consigned by BEAU LANE BLOODSTOCK



IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Race Night, c, 4, **Race Day**--Sessile, by Forestry. Huhtala, 6-2, 1000m, sand, 1:00.15. O-Meng Qiang. B- (KY). *\$15,000 Ylg '21 FTKFEB; \$70,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **VIDEO**.

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 Bai Sheng Ju, h, 5, Connect--Its About Midnight, by Distorted Humor. Huhtala, 6-2, 2000m, sand, 2:03.79. O-Mengjun Horse Industry. B- (KY). *\$52,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV. VIDEO.



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Improbable (City Zip), WinStar Farm, \$15,000

128 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Mission

Improbable, 9-2

\$90,000 RNA FTK NOV wnl; \$125,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$250,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Mr. Money (Goldencents), Clear Creek Stud
46 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Presque Isle Downs, 3:54 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Lady Loves
Money, 7-2

Speightsong (Speightstown), Midwest Equine & Veterinary Hospital

13 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Mi Sargento,6-1

Spun to Run (Hard Spun), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000
90 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-Delaware, 1:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Hello Sunshine, 3-1
\$30,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 161 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Delaware, 1:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, It's Hammertime, 6-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000 291 foals of racing age/39 winners/5 black-type winners 6-Churchill Downs, 3:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, D Day, 8-1 \$250,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$185,000 OBS MAR 2yo

St Patrick's Day (Pioneerof the Nile), Journeyman Stud, \$3,500 92 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner 3-Presque Isle Downs, 3:54 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Anhinga, 5-1 \$1,100 OBS OCT yrl





STAKES RESULTS:

CLASICO COPA GOBERNADOR S., \$78,360, Camarero, 6-2, (S), 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:55.81, sy.

- 1--CENTINELA, 118, f, 3, by Console--Metro Gal, by Afleet Alex.
 O-Sonata Stable; B-Potrero Los Llanos Inc. (PR); T-Ramon Morales; J-Juan C. Diaz. \$45,449. Lifetime Record: 6-3-3-0, \$130,059. *1/2 to Don Cheo (Don Paco), Ch. 3yo & 2yo Colt-PR, MSW-PR, \$272,988.
- 2--**Yerai**, 118, c, 3, Console--Tizette, by Tiznow. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-JAL Racing; B-Eduardo Maldonado (PR); T-J Velez. \$15,672.
- 3--Conspirador P R, 118, c, 3, Conspiracy--Flying Peggy, by Fusaichi Pegasus. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Real Stable PR; B-Hacienda Los Nietos, Inc. (PR); T-Alexis Rivera. \$7,836.
 Margins: 3, NK, 7. Odds: 1.20, 0.65, 5.75.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000, (S), 6-4, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.04, ft, 4 lengths. HEAVEN AND EARTH (f, 4, Gormley--Northern Kraze {SW, \$258,675}, by Aljabr) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$52,224.

O-Spiess Stable LLC & Randy Klopp; B-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM (IN); T-Randy L. Klopp. *\$47,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$125,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. **1/2 to Krunch (Jimmy Creed), SW, \$241,082.

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5th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000, (S), 6-4, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.87, fm, 2 lengths.

BEST CUPCAKE (f, 3, Oscar Performance--Hey There Cupcake {MSP, \$150,638}, by Prized) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$61,286. O-Bruce Lunsford & Penny Lauer; B-Penny S & Michael E. Lauer & Amerman Racing LLC (IN); T-Michael E. Lauer. *1/2 to Cake Pop (Notional), MSW, \$490,465.

7th-Thistledown, \$30,000, 6-4, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.22, ft, neck.

POWERFUL MOON (g, 6, Malibu Moon--Powerful Package {MSP, \$243,730}, by Star de Naskra) Lifetime Record: 41-5-11-5, \$106,431. O-Radiant Racing Stable LLC; B-Angela M

Ingenito & Spendthrift Stallions LLC (FL); T-Kevin Ray. *\$35,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP. **1/2 to Derwin's Star (Wildcat Heir), GSW & GISP, \$639,070.

1st-Thistledown, \$28,000, 6-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.46, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

DANCE MY WAY (m, 5, Mr Speaker--Pleasant Dance, by Any Given Saturday) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-0, \$51,665. O-James Lauderdale; B-Equine Equity Partners (CO); T-Kim A. Puhl.

7th-Finger Lakes, \$26,900, 6-4, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.92, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

HONEST BANKER (f, 4, Central Banker--True Charm, by Langfuhr) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$81,120. O-Joseph & Anne McMahon, Kyle and Richard Buchakjian and Erin Chaskey; B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC & Bart Forlano (NY); T-Ralph D'Alessandro.

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1st-Finger Lakes, \$25,310, 6-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.95, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.

GRACE REFORMED (f, 3, Solomini--Surfrider Beach, by Bellamy Road) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$62,110. O-John Julia; B-Fazio Stables (NY); T-Michael L. Catalano, Jr. *\$10,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN. **3rd-Finger Lakes, \$24,500**, (S), 6-4, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.10, ft, 1/2 length.

SHE'S DANCING (m, 6, War Dancer--Sterling Madame {SW, \$169,838}, by Unbridled Energy) Lifetime Record: 21-5-0-3, \$127,084. O-Maria Montez Haire; B-Mary Katherine Haire (NY); T-Flint W. Stites.

4th-Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, \$24,000, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$12,500), 6-4, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.85, ft, 6 lengths. **WILDWOOD RUBEN (g, 4, Ghaaleb--Cannetella, by Speightstown)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-1, \$57,350. O-Charles Ritter & Scott Becker; B-William Stiritz (IL); T-Scott Becker. *Full to Isabellacannetella, SP, \$208,571.

1st-Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, \$23,500, (S), (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$10,000), 6-4, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.46, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

WILDWOOD TRIPLE (f, 4, Ghaaleb--Triplehott, by City Zip) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-2, \$38,786. O/B-William P. Stiritz (IL); T-Scott Becker. *Full to W W Hotshot, SW, \$326,608.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Special Creed, g, 2, Jimmy Creed--Special Talent (SW, \$148,106), by Talent Search. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6-4, 5f, 1:00.35. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$43,040. B-Larry Goodwin (IN).

 Yellow Birdie, f, 3, Audible--Fleet Bertie (SP, \$167,197), by Afleet Alex. Assiniboia Downs, 6-3, 5 1/2f, 1:07.12. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$16,135. B-Chc Inc. (KY). *\$24,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$30,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$25,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

Cry If I Want To, f, 3, **Brody's Cause**--High Cry, by Street Cry (Ire). Thistledown, 6-4, 1m, 1:41.88. Lifetime Record: 10-1-0-2, \$29,085. B-Sabana Farm, LLC (FL). *\$22,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$37,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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Cinco de Oros, g, 3, **Forever d'Oro**--Midnight Romance, by Midnight Lute. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6-4, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.95. Lifetime Record: 9-1-2-0, \$42,621. B-D Martin (IN).

Cookn Wit Catman, c, 3, Liam's Map--Mindfully, by Bertrando.
Louisiana Downs, 6-4, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:43.74. Lifetime
Record: 7-1-2-0, \$31,140. B-Pam & Martin Wygod (KY).
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Mr Speaker, Dance My Way, m, 5, o/o Pleasant Dance, by Any Given Saturday. ALW, 6-4, Thistledown

Not This Time, It's About Time, g, 3, o/o Shut It Up, by Violence. MSW, 6-4, Thistledown

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