GAY O’CALLAGHAN: ‘DARK ANGEL IS LIKE FAMILY - HE MEANS EVERYTHING TO US’

By Brian Sheerin

It has been the season of all seasons for the ever-young Dark Angel (Ire). So much so that Gay O’Callaghan has agreed to go in front of the camera to talk about the horse he describes as “part of the family”.

The master of Yeomanstown Stud speaks about Dark Angel like a father of his favourite son. But when the 19-year-old stallion comes up trumps year after year with genuine top-notchers like Battaash (Ire), Harry Angel (Ire) and now Charyn (Ire), it’s hard not to dote over the loveable grey. Cont. p3

‘MY COLT IS THE ONE TO BEAT’: MOORE’S UNWAVERING FAITH IN KING GEORGE-BOUND AUGUSTE RODIN

by Tom Frary

There can be few six-time Group 1 winners that have as weird a profile as Ballydoyle’s enigmatic Auguste Rodin (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), but as Ascot’s G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth QIPCO Stakes approaches of course all eyes are on him once again. It was in this summer jewel 12 months ago that one of the best Derby winners of recent times was seen floundering even before the home turn before disappearing from view, a scene that would normally represent a fall from grace.

But where we are talking about this particular colt, normal goes out of the window. That 2023 King George disaster is one of a trio of flops on the biggest stage and perhaps the most forgivable on rain-softened ground, but the latest in Meydan’s Dubai Sheema Classic is less so. Balanced against his Irish Champion, Breeders’ Cup Turf and Prince of Wales’s Stakes triumphs, his desert no-show is not as concerning as it seemed at the time and he is now firmly in the zone ahead of his second major summer target.

Aidan O’Brien spoke at the Royal meeting of Ryan Moore believing that “engaging” Auguste Rodin is essential and connections are now convinced that their dynamo is as tactics-dependant as he is ground-dependant. Cont. p5

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Speaking from his sitting room underneath a Peter Curling-commissioned painting of Dark Angel, who leads the likes of Dubawi (Ire), Kingman (GB), Galileo (Ire) and Sea The Stars (Ire) in the British and Irish Sires' Championship, O’Callaghan says, "To get a horse like Dark Angel—it’s a miracle. You don’t buy them, you don’t find them, they just happen to you."

This year’s Royal Ascot meeting propelled Dark Angel into another stratosphere. Charyn lit the touch paper for what would turn out to be a memorable week for the stallion when winning the G1 Queen Anne Stakes over a mile before Khaadem (Ire) landed back-to-back runnings of the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes over 6f.

Those big-race victories contributed to Dark Angel being over €560,000 clear of Dubawi in terms of prize-money earned for his offspring this season.

But there is much more than just two horses doing the business on the big stage for him. The Owen Burrows-trained Alflaila (GB) ran a perfectly respectable comeback race when fourth behind Auguste Rodin (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the G1 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes at the royal meeting and is a leading fancy in Saturday’s G2 Sky Bet York Stakes.

All told, Dark Angel has had 64 winners to runners in Britain and Ireland this season, a success rate that has only been bettered by Kingman. He is also operating at a 30% strike-rate and has five winners at stakes level.

Reflecting on that momentous week at Royal Ascot, O’Callaghan said, "It was wonderful. Guy and David [sons] bred Charyn and he’s a wonderful horse—a very successful horse. He goes to France for the Jacques le Marois and hopefully he can strike in another Group 1. His owner’s [Nurlan Bizakov] farm is in France and he is going to stand there [at Sumbe]. And obviously Khaadem showed what a high-class sprinter he is for the second year running in the Queen Elizabeth."

He continued, "But really, the man who really loved Dark Angel was Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum. He really had wonderful success with him. From Battaash on, Sheikh Hamdan had a lot of good horses through his hands by Dark Angel. Sheikh Hamdan’s support was immeasurable for that horse and hopefully Shadwell will have another big-race winner at York on Saturday with Alflaila."

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Dark Angel speaks to the fabric of Yeomanstown Stud. Having been bred by the O’Callaghan family, he was offered as a yearling by the outfit at the Doncaster St Leger Sale in 2006, where he was knocked down to BBA Ireland for 61,000gns.

A spellbinding juvenile campaign for Barry Hills, that featured Group 1 success in the Middle Park Stakes, sealed his place at stud where he has been something of an instant hit.

Gay explained, “He was a very nice yearling and from the first crop of Acclamation (GB), who we tried to buy. We sent Acclamation three mares and this fella was one of the foals born. From the day he was born, he was a really good foal—strong, solid, well-made and good action. We took him to Doncaster and Barry Hills bought him for 61,000gns, which wasn’t a bad price at the time. I suppose the rest is history.”

Asked at what point was it where O’Callaghan realised he had unearthed something special, he replied, “Well you never can know that. Once his runners started to come out, they were winning from the word go. I think he had 33 winners in his first year, which is a really good number. From May onwards, everything that was running was winning. It just became very exciting from there.”

That excitement burns bright to this day with Dark Angel, who became a Classic-producing stallion in 2022 when Mangoustine (Fr) landed the French 1,000 Guineas, and can end the year as the Champion Sire in Britain and Ireland.

“Well, he had a very good Ascot and is leading it at the moment but every week that goes by, he needs to keep topping it up or else he won’t stay there,” O’Callaghan commented on the sire of 15 individual Group/Grade I winners to date.

“It’s as simple as that. By the end of the year, it could change again but we’d think it would continue for most of the year anyway. It’s great to have him up there at any stage. I’m not going to say that we will be there [on top] at the end of the year but we’d love to be there at the end of the year.”

He added, “This horse is like family. He means everything to us and is just a special horse to have around the place. As an individual, he’s such a kind horse. He’s half human—just a very kind horse and it’s very easy to do anything with him. He’s been a horse of a lifetime but hopefully we might have time to get one more in!”

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The dry lead-up to the race has taken care of the latter situation, while the presence of Hans Andersen (GB) (Frankel (GB)) can only aid his cause. Moore has no problem with passing up the ride on the stable’s genuine top-level performer Luxembourg (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), which is testament to the elite status that Auguste Rodin enjoys.

“I am looking forward to riding him. This is a horse who has won six Group 1s already and he is simply a top-class colt who anyone would clearly love to own, train or ride,” he said. “He was back to near his brilliant best when winning the Prince of Wales’s Stakes for me last time, the step back up to a mile and a half won’t be an issue, and the expected quick ground is a bonus. It is a race with Group 1 depth, but my colt is the one to beat.”

Rebel Without a Course...

There are certain multiple Group 1 winners who fail to earn the full love and respect of their own nation’s public due to their most notable exploits coming overseas and Godolphin’s Rebel’s Romance (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) is one of them. Ironically, the usually-reliable stalwart was also ineffective in last year’s Sheema Classic much as Saturday’s great rival was in March, but it was the latest renewal of that contest which saw him gain redemption under new enterprising tactics. Unbeaten in the UK and three-from-three this term, he enters the fray at Ascot strangely as a relative unknown to some who will visit the track for the showcase event despite being a hardened 6-year-old.

“He’s an international superstar, but he just hasn’t had the opportunity he deserves until now to run in a Group 1 over here,” jockey William Buick said. “Bar the Derby, the King George is our biggest middle-distance race. He’s a huge imposing horse who you can’t help but spot and he’s very uncomplicated, very genuine and obviously very good. He’s high-class and it’s lovely that he’s now getting a proper shot at a top-level win at home.”

Juddmonte’s Influence Continues...

Juddmonte’s ability to consistently unearth top-level performers is remarkable and the rise of the operation’s contender Bluestocking (GB) (Camelot {GB}) from fledgling Group 1 performer to genuine King George contender in the space of 12 months only serves to underline the ongoing potency of the operation’s bloodstock. Cont. p6
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Few would have predicted that the filly that was caught close home in the G1 Irish Oaks would a year on be entering this race a leading candidate, but here she is and she is deserving of full respect given the nature of her G2 Middleton Stakes and G1 Pretty Polly Stakes wins.

“It’s the King George and they are the best of the best,” European racing manager Barry Mahon said. “Auguste Rodin and Rebel’s Romance are both top class and Luxemburg is a Group 1 winner on his last start, there is no shortage in quality from top to bottom. It’s going to be a top renewal and it’s nice to have a filly good enough to partake in it.”

“She’s definitely matured a lot and last year, in fairness, she was probably a little weak. She was gallant in her efforts, but probably just had a bit of weakness, which wasn’t able to carry her through the line. This year, she has strengthened and Ralph [Beckett] has been very happy with her, she worked very well last Saturday and I think we’re in a good place, so hopefully we see that on Saturday.”

Lone 3-Year-old Leads the Way...

It is always disappointing when the King George fails to attract the premier members of the Classic generation, but at least this renewal has representation unlike some in recent times. On the face of it, Guy Pariente Holding and Qatar Racing’s Sunway (Fr) (Galiway {GB}) has uninspiring form figures taking on his elders, but the G1 Irish Derby runner-up has weight-for-age in his favour and trainer David Menuisier is keen to have a tilt at the stars with a colt he has always rated highly.

“It seems to be the trend these days that less and less 3-year-olds run in the race, but you have to try them against older horses some time and they get an 11-pound allowance,” he said. “Sunway was possibly caught in traffic a bit at a crucial stage in Ireland, but we came back from there really chuffed because he’d vindicated what we thought of him, not thinking we were unlucky in the way Tamfana was in the 1,000 Guineas.”

“It took him a while to come to himself this season and I’m not sure why, but the faster ground in Ireland worked in his favour, as I think he thrives on quick conditions and in fast-run races, even though he won on testing ground last year. Having taken so long to come to himself, I didn’t want to stop and he came out of Ireland absolutely buzzing--kicking and bucking as if it hadn’t taken too much out of him. All the lights are green.”

More Than Just a Passenger...

Europe’s second most important race on Saturday is the G2 York Stakes, where Sir Michael Stoute’s latest older-horse project Passenger (Ulysses {Ire}) re-emerges from a setback to tackle the G1 Juddmonte International course and distance. Impressive in the G2 Huxley Stakes at Chester in May, he had to sidestep the Prince of Wales’s Stakes but is ready to make his presence felt once again among the best of the middle-distance runners tackling last year’s winner Alfailing (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and the promising 3-year-old King’s Gambit (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}). Cont. p7
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### Saturday Previews Cont.

“He had a cough just at the wrong moment in his preparation for Ascot—now he is back at 100%,” the Niarchos Family’s racing manager Alan Cooper explained. “Michael and his team are happy with the horse. It’s a first step back. He looks a typical Sir Michael older horse improver. They’ve had a little hold-up, but he could be very good. Hopefully, he will reward everybody’s hopes for him on Saturday and then, all being well, we’ll be back at York for the Juddmonte.”

Alflaila’s trainer Owen Burrows is aware of the challenge facing the Shadwell homebred, who is entitled to progress from his return fourth behind Auguste Rodin in the Prince of Wales’s. “King’s Gambit, I respect massively,” he said. “If anything, it’s probably a stronger race than last year but I’d like to think we’re a better horse than we were last year.”

### All Hail the Chancellor...

As far as visual impressions go, there are few 2-year-olds who have dazzled as Cheveley Park Stud’s Chancellor (GB) (Kingman {GB}) did on his debut at Doncaster and the Gosdens’ TDN Rising Star bids to add substance to style in Saturday’s Listed Pat Eddery Stakes at Ascot. Cont. p8
Saturday Previews Cont.

The son of the GI Breeders’ Cup Filly & Mare Turf heroine Queen’s Trust (GB) (Dansili (GB)) was winning over six furlongs there, but everything about his pedigree suggests this seventh will bring out even more in him which is a scary prospect for all others.

“He was pretty impressive as we saw at Doncaster and we were thrilled that he transmitted a bit of what we saw on the gallops to the racecourse,” the operation’s managing director Chris Richardson said. “Everyone seems happy and this looks like a good next opportunity for him and it is exciting to have a colt with a bit of potential I think.”

“It’s funny, we normally have fillies, but it just so happened that last year when we took him to the sales people weren’t receptive to him for various reasons,” he added. “We took a view that we would give him a chance and he’s a nice individual out of a proper mare who was hugely talented, let’s hope he’s exciting.”

Among his peers is Qatar Racing’s New Century (GB) (Kameko), an important colt for the owners and for trainer Andrew Balding who combined with the sire. He had the subsequent TDN Rising Star Field Of Gold (Ire) (Kingman (GB)) back in third in his Doncaster novice last month and racing manager David Redvers rates him highly.

“Andrew and Oisin [Murphy] are incredibly sweet on the horse,” he explained. “He’s got a similar career mapped out to his father and we’re taking a swing at the Pat Eddery because otherwise he’s got five weeks until the Solario and he’s bouncing out of his skin, according to Andrew. He does take on some promising looking horses—I was rather alarmed how easily Chancellor won for the Gosden team at Doncaster. But it’s a Listed race for two-year-olds at this time of year and it’s hard to find an easy one over seven furlongs.”

Simmering Nicely...

Denied late in Royal Ascot’s G3 Albany Stakes, Al Shaqab Racing’s acquisition Simmering (GB) (Too Darn Hot (GB)) is back over the course and distance to bid for compensation in Saturday’s G3 Princess Margaret Stakes. Third on debut at York behind the high-class Arabie (GB) (Dandy Man (Ire)), she sets the standard and trainer Ollie Sangster is keen to get a pattern race on board while conditions favour her. “The form from Ascot has worked out well at Newmarket and the Karl Burke horse who beat her on debut is now a Group 2 winner in France,” he said. “We’re very excited to have Sheikh Joaan and the Al Shaqab team in the yard and look forward to training for them.”

Despite the obvious merit of the Albany form, the fact remains that over a month has passed since that contest and that can be a long time in juvenile racing. Three potential class acts to have emerged in the interim are Isa Salman Al Khalifa’s Definitive (GB) (Dark Angel (Ire)), The King & The Queen’s Handcuffed (GB) (Dark Angel (Ire)) and Sheikh Juma Dalmoon Al Maktoum’s Mandurah (Ire) (Kingman (GB)) and they are all here to be tested.

Definitive’s trainer Clive Cox said of his contender, who showed a willing attitude at Haydock, “It’s a big step and she will come forward hugely for that first run. We liked her going into that race and she did everything really nicely.”

Mandurah made a significant impact on her racecourse bow at Newmarket and Ed Crisford is hopeful. “She won her maiden well at Newmarket, we’ve always liked the filly and at home she looks like she’s improved enough to take her chance in a stakes race. It’s a competitive race and there’s some very good fillies in there, but if she improves, hopefully she’ll be in the mix. You’ve got to see where you stand really.”

Soul Revival?

Ascot also boasts the G3 Longines Valiant Stakes, where a talented trio of 3-year-olds include George Strawbridge’s Friendly Soul (GB) (Kingman (GB)) who reverts to a mile having proven such a disappointment in the G3 Musidora Stakes. Given time to get it back together since then, the homebred who was so exciting when beating Kalpana (GB) (Study Of Man (Ire)) as they drew clear in Newmarket’s Listed Pretty Polly Stakes in May remains one of the more exciting members of her sex and age from this trip to a mile and a quarter. She encounters Godolphin’s unbeaten Devoted Queen (GB) (Kingman (GB)), daughter of the talented Fintry (Ire) (Shamardal) who reappears for the first time since beating Friendly Soul’s classy stablemate Spiritual (Ire) (Invincible Spirit (Ire)) in York’s Listed Michael Seely Memorial Stakes in May.
HURRAH FOR THE BREEDERS AS ROYAL ASCOT WINNERS CELEBRATED

By Emma Berry

ASCOT, UK — Far from the madding crowd of the royal meeting, the exploits of those five heady days were still being celebrated at Ascot on Friday. And rightly so, for this was the day of the annual Royal Ascot winning breeders' lunch, a lovely touch from the racecourse to recognise those who make this great sport happen.

There's no one-upmanship here. Every breeder will tell you how much they need the owners – most of them are also owners themselves – and all the various participants in racing matter, from those sitting up through those cold winter nights to others having a bet at the bookies on a Saturday afternoon. But it all starts with the breeders, and their rewards can often be decades in the making.

There was a good turn out from the European breeding world. From France, by way of Sweden, came Team Hogdala, otherwise known as Jan and Maya Sundstrom, accompanied by their granddaughter Lillie, who had been allowed a day off from yearling prep by her mother Anna.

"The stress levels are going up a bit at home," admitted Lillie of the impending Arqana August Sale. "All I know is that, at the moment, if mum asks me to do something, I'm going to do it and not argue." She'll go far, that Lillie.

Her grandparents will go down in the thoroughbred hall of fame as the breeders of Classic winner Le Havre (Ire) and they were at Ascot to celebrate the success of Belloccio (Fr) (Belardo {Ire}), the winner of the Copper Horse Handicap.

There was strong representation from Ireland. Annemarie and Ana O'Brien bred two winners at Royal Ascot under their Whisperview banner: the G1 Coronation Stakes winner Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio) and G2 Ribblesdale Stakes winner Port Fairy (Ire) (Australia {GB}). They sat alongside Paul and Marie McCartan, who supplied for Ballydoyle the G3 Albany Stakes winner Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}). It is easy to imagine that she will soon be added to the Ballyphilip Stud Group 1 roll of honour. The last time the McCartans were represented by a Royal Ascot winner was the year of Battaash's half-brother Al Misbar (Ire) (Blue Point {Ire}) – a 1.5 million-guinea Book 1 yearling – makes his debut for Godolphin in the fiercely competitive British EBF Crocker Bulteel Maiden.

Arguably holding the greatest bragging rights of all the Irish visitors were the brothers Guy and Robert O'Callaghan, respectively representing Grangemore Stud and Yeomanstown Stud. Charyn (Ire) and repeat winner Khaadem (Ire) provided the family with a Group 1 double to bookend the royal meeting, in the Queen Anne Stakes and Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes, but both brothers admitted there was only one name who could take the credit.

"We owe it all to Dark Angel really," said Guy, who had been too nervous to travel over to watch Charyn land his first Group 1 victory for Nurlan Bizakov but could enjoy a relaxed day in good company on Friday. He added, "Now we just hope that Khaadem can do it for a third time."

The action kept coming down on the track of course. In a warm-up day for the Saturday showstopper that is the King George and Queen Elizabeth Stakes, a double strike in the handicaps led Andrew Balding to the doorstep of a major milestone of 2,000 British Flat winners. Tactician (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) snuck up the far rail to land the Brown Jack for Denford Stud and later, arguably the most important breeder in Balding's yard, his mother Emma, provided his 1,999th success in this country when Mount Atlas (GB) (Masar {Ire}) ran home determinedly to win for the second time for the Kingsclere Racing Club.

"Lady Flora is running tonight at Chepstow so it would be rather nice if she could be the 2,000th," said Emma Balding of the Masar half-sister to Group 1 winner Elm Park (GB) (Phoenix Reach {GB}) and to Mount Atlas's dam, Highland Pass (GB) (Passing Glance {GB}).

By the time you read this, perhaps she will have obliged. It was a day for breeders after all, and there are few cannier at that particular job than the first lady of Kingsclere.
In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This week’s column is highlighted by the victory of former multiple graded stakes hero Public Sector in the Great White North.

Kingman’s Public Sector Wins in Canada

Michael and Jules Iavarone and co-owner Saffie Joseph, Jr.’s Public Sector (GB) (Kingman (GB)) visited the winner’s circle for the first time since taking Belmont’s GII Hill Prince Stakes in the autumn of 2021 when capturing a Woodbine contest in July (video). The 6-year-old entire is also a winner of the GII National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame Stakes and the GIII Saranac Stakes.

Bred by The Kathryn Stud, the son of Parle Moi (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) was originally a 170,000gns Tattersalls October Book 1 yearling by for Seth Klarman’s Klaravich Stables by Mike Ryan in 2019. He joined his current ownership after bringing $35,000 out of the 2023 Keeneland Horses of Racing Age Sale from Meah/Lloyd Bloodstock on behalf of Iavarone when offered by ELITE. The fourth foal for his dam, Public Sector’s latest sibling is a full-brother born in 2023. A grandson of G3 Prix Chole heroine Di Moi Oui (GB) (Warning {GB}), he is also related to stakes winners King Vega (GB) and Lady Boba (GB), who are both by Lope De Vega (Ire).

Juddmonte’s Kingman has 42 winners from 69 runners (61%) in America. A total of eight of those are stakes winners (11%), with three-time Grade I winner Domestic Spending (GB) his flagbearer.

Muhaarar Gelding A Winner at Del Mar

Hronis Racing’s Bran (Fr) (Muhaarar {GB}) emerged a winner at Del Mar for John Sadler after nine months on the bench (video). The Lordship Stud-bred had won the GII Turf Sprint Stakes at Kentucky Downs in September of 2023, then resurfaced to race just twice last year, with a second in the GII Eddie D Stakes his best effort.

The son of Best Intent (GB) (King’s Best), also a winner of the GII Daytona Stakes, was a €36,000 Arqana October yearling turned €80,000 Arqana Horses-of-Racing Age Sale graduate when purchased by MAB Agency from the later sale. A half-brother to the multiple stakes-placed filly Atakama (Fr) (Le Havre {Ire}), Bran is also a half to that filly’s full-brother, the 3-year-old gelding Orfeo (Fr). Kin to Mr. Prospector Group 1 winners Coup De Genie and Machiavellian, Bran’s second dam is G2 Prix d’Astarte heroine Hydro Calido (Nureyev).

Haras du Petit Tellier’s Muhaarar has seven winners from 15 runners (47%) in the U.S. One of four stakes winners for his sire in that locale (27%), Bran is joined by fellow graded winners Motorious (GB) and Evening Sun (GB).

Without Parole Represented by First U.S. Winner

John Gunther homebred Without Caution (Without Parole {GB}) became the sixth winner for his first-season sire (by Frankel) and first in the U.S. when prevailing at first asking at Saratoga for trainer Cherie DeVaux (video).

The $95,000 Keeneland September yearling is out of Mama Tembu (Street Cry {Ire}), and is her fourth foal. Her latest produce is a filly of 2024 by Good Magic. Cont. p11
Making Waves Cont.
This is the same family as successful stallion and American Triple Crown winner Justify.
Newells Park stallion Without Parole was bred and raced by the Gunthers. He won the G1 St James’s Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot in 2018.

Repeat Winners
Just two starts removed from taking the G1 Jenny Wiley Stakes at Keeneland in April, Beaute Cachee (Fr) (Literato {Fr}) returned to the winner’s circle for Louis Lazzinnaro, Madaket Stables, Michael Caruso and Michael Dubb in the Gilli Matchmaker Stakes at Monmouth Park (video). The 5-year-old is trained by Chad Brown.

Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Bruce Treitman’s Sunset Glory (Ire) (Cotai Glory {GB}) made it two consecutive victories on Sunday (video). She broke her maiden at Santa Anita in April, before this Del Mar win.

“ALL SYSTEMS GO”: VANDEEK PRIMED FOR PRIX MAURICE DE GHEEST

KHK Racing’s multiple Group 1 winner Vandeeek (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) is “extremely well” after his G1 July Cup third and will head to the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest next month, co-trainer Ed Crisford confirmed on Friday.

“He’s come out of the July Cup extremely well, we’re really pleased with him,” said Crisford, who trains with his father Simon. “It’s all systems go at the moment for the Prix Maurice de Gheest. He wasn’t really right that first day on that heavy ground at Haydock, the July Cup was his first proper test and he ran with huge credit, but he’s only going to improve mentally and fitness-wise.”

Vandeek won his first four starts—all at two--including the G2 Richmond Stakes, G1 Prix Morny, and the G1 Middle Park Stakes in succession. He lost his unbeaten tag when third to subsequent G1 Commonwealth Cup hero Inisherin (GB) (Shamardal) in the G2 Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock in May. Removed from Royal Ascot consideration with well-publicised poor blood work, the grey was an encouraging third to Mill Stream (Ire) (Gleneagles {Ire}) in Newmarket on July 13.

The younger Crisford added, “He just needed to get out and get racing really and get going for the second half of the season. Haydock didn’t really go to plan, then he missed Ascot and then he had to have a bit of time after those bad bloods, and then we had to bring him back.

“You’re going into a championship race in the July Cup and you’ve got to be 120%. He was great going to the July Cup, but the more racing any athlete gets they’re going to improve from it.

“We’re going to kick on to France and see where we go from there. I expect it’ll be a very good field again, but he’s won at Deauville before and six-and-a-half (furlongs) shouldn’t be an issue for him.”

EMILY UPJOHN SUPPLEMENTED TO NASSAU

Dual Group 1 winner Emily Upjohn (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) has been supplemented at a cost of £40,000 to the G1 Qatar Nassau Stakes at Goodwood on Aug. 1. Her addition brings the field to 12, with her rivals including both John and Thady Gosden stablemate Inspiral (GB) (Frankel {GB}), and trainer Aidan O’Brien’s Group 1 winner Opera Singer (Justify).

Second in the G1 Oaks at three, the daughter of Hidden Brief (GB) (Barathea {Ire}) would go on to take the G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares Stakes later that year, and added the G1 Coronation Cup at four. In three 2024 starts, the mare was fifth in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Meydan in March, before running fourth in her Coronation Cup defense in May. Her latest appearance was a good second in the G1 Pretty Polly Stakes at the end of June.

The aforementioned Inspiral, a homebred for Cheveley Park Stud, is one of Emily Upjohn’s biggest rivals. Cont. p12
FIRST-SEASON SIRES
WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, July 27, 2024:

UNITED KINGDOM

Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
101 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
15:10-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Special Ghaiyyath (Ire)
€24,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €35,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2023; £38,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2024

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud
87 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
16:15-ASCOT, 50K The Flexjet Pat Eddery Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race) (Formerly The Winkfield Stakes) 7f, New Century (GB)
18:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, West Kirby (GB)
11,000gns Tattersalls February Sale 2023; 10,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud
96 foals of racing age/4 winners/1 black-type winner
14:10-CHESTER, 7f, Matharu (Ire)
€29,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023; €40,000 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2024
13:15-ASCOT, 6f, Noble Guest (GB)
55,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 100,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

Sands of Mali (Fr) (Panis), Ballyhane Stud
98 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
13:50-ASCOT, 65K GIII The Sodexo Live! Princess Margaret Stakes (Class 1) (Group 3) 6f, Aviation Time (Ire)

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud
121 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
15:10-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Georffino (GB)
21,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 38,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023
18:15-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, Love Is The Law (Ire)
€25,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Yeomanstown Stud
103 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
16:15-ASCOT, 50K The Flexjet Pat Eddery Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race) (Formerly The Winkfield Stakes) 7f, Brian (Ire)
€8,500 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; 6,000gns RNA Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023

Wooded (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), Haras de Bouquetot
80 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
15:10-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Storm The Dug (Fr)
€16,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023; 35,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2024

FRANCE

Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Haras d'Etrepam
102 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, Prosecutor (Fr)
€30,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023
1-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, Olya (Ire)
€70,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022; €22,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Nassau Entries Cont.

“It will be Goodwood or the Jacques le Marois and we can’t do both, so we’re just keeping all options open,” said Cheveley Park’s managing director Chris Richardson of the Breeders’ Cup winner.

“We will see what happens and we’re just going to keep our options open and try and get it right this time and know where we are going. But she seems in good form and she looks great.”

Other notable entrants in the Nassau include G1 1000 Guineas heroine Elmalka (GB) (Kingman {GB}), G1 Prix de Diane victress Sparkling Plenty (Fr) (Kingman {GB}), and G1 Irish Oaks third Purple Lily (Ire) (Calyx {GB}).
Telecaster (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), Haras du Mesnil
40 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, Chamarande (Fr)
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, I Got Rhythm (Fr)

Without Parole (GB) (Frankel (GB)), Newsells Park Stud
53 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1600m, Mandatory (Ire)
€22,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

IRELAND
Arizona (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud
66 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, Arizona Robbins (Ire)
€2,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland Sapphire Sale 2023

King of Change (GB) (Farhh (GB)), Starfield Stud
47 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, Onemoredance (Ire)
€11,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €32,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

BLUE POINT 1.5MILLION HALF TO BATTAAsh
DEBUTS IN THE CROCKER BULTEEL

13.15 Ascot, Mdn, £50,000, 2yo, c/g, 6ft

AL MISBAR (IRE) (Blue Point(Ire)) is a key member of the “Crocker Bulteel” Maiden that opens the King George card, being Godolphin’s 1.5million gns Tattersalls October Book 1 half-brother to the stellar sprinter Battaash (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and his dual Group 3-winning and G1 Middle Park Stakes and G1 Prix Morny-placed full-brother The Antarctic (Ire). His trainer Charlie Appleby will have taken note of the fact that Richard Hannon has won six of the last nine runnings of this and that the East Everleigh handler puts forward Robert Barnett’s homebred Our Terms (GB) (Wootton Bassett (GB)), a son of the G2 Queen Mary Stakes and G2 Lowther Stakes winner Best Terms (GB) (Exceed And Excel (Aus)) who was fourth behind TDN Rising Star Field Of Gold (Ire) (Kingman (GB)) at Newmarket’s July Festival.
Listed Lyric Fillies Stakes Cont.
Delivered from rear to take control passing the two-furlong marker, the lightly-campaigned readily asserted for the breakthrough success on the eve of another big weekend for the Tabor.

The listed-placed dam, whose unraced 2-year-old colt Four Socks (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) was a €30,000 purchase by Patrick Wahl at the Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up, hails from the family of the European champion 2-year-old filly Bint Allayl (GB) (Green Desert) and Green Desert’s successful sire Kheleyf. She also has a filly foal by Ten Sovereigns (Ire).

3rd-York, £20,000, Novice, 7-26, 2yo, 7fT, 1:26.34, g/f.
ELSIE’S RUAN (IRE) (f, 2, Ulysses {Ire}–Lost Control {Ire}, by Helmet {Aus}), sent off at 22-1, was squeezed out soon after the start and forced to race towards the rear. Delivered stand’s side to join battle with Praetorian (Ire) (Romanised {Ire}) inside the last 150 yards, the newcomer gamely asserted to prevail by a head. The dam is a daughter of the G3 Premio Regina Elena runner-up and G3 Premio Dormello third Cronsa (Ger) (Martino Alonso {Ire}), whose daughter Sweet Gentle Kiss (Ire) (Henrythenavigatior) captured the Dormello and matched the second of her dam in the Regina Elena. Her yearling filly is by Kodi Bear (Ire). Sales history: 9,000gnls RNA Ylg ‘23 TATG; 22,000gns 2yo ‘24 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $13,831.

1st-Thirsk, £9,000, Nov, 7-26, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:27.50, g/f.
RYKA (IRE) (f, 2, Night Of Thunder {Ire}–Tulip Fields {GB} {SP-Eng}, by Golden Horn {GB}) broke in rear and tracked the leaders in sixth after the opening exchanges of this unveiling. Tanking forward in the straight, the 10-3 second choice launched her bid out wide passing the quarter-mile marker and kept on relentlessly under a late drive to deny Blessed Star (Ire) (Sottsass {Fr}) by a neck nearing the line. Ryka is the first of three foals out of Listed Glasgow Stakes placegetter Tulip Fields (GB) (Golden Horn {GB}), herself kin to five black-type performers headed by multiple Group-winning G1 Prix Royal-Oak third Veracity (GB) (Lomitas {GB}). The February-foaled chestnut, whose fourth dam is G1 Oaks and G1 Irish Oaks heroine Unite (Ire) (Kris {GB}), is kin to a yearling filly and weanling colt by No Nay Never. Sales history: 105,000gns Ylg ‘23 TATG; 105,000gns Ylg ‘23 TATG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $6,033.

3rd-Thirsk, £8,000, Nov, 7-26, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.10, g/f.
LOVAT SCOUT (GB) (c, 2, Havana Grey {GB}–Ellen Gates {GB}, by Mayson {GB}) recovered from a slightly sluggish getaway and recovered to race in a handy fifth through the initial fractions of this debut. Inching closer once past halfway, the 4-1 chance came under pressure approaching the final furlong and was driven out to deny Clover Time (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) by a half-length in the dying strides. Cont. p15
3rd-Thirsk Cont.

Lovat Scout is the third of four foals and second scorer for Ellen Gates (GB) (Mayson (GB)), herself out of a half-sister to G1 Irish Derby and G1 Sheema Classic-winning sire Jack Hobbs (GB) (Halling) and G3 Brigadier Gerard Stakes third Niceofyoutotellme (GB) (Hernando (Fr)). The March-foaled chestnut is half to a yearling colt by Ubettabelleiveit (Ire). Sales history: 25,000gns Wlg ‘22 TADEWE; €48,000 RNA Ylg ‘23 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $5,532.

O-D J Mackay & West Shaw Farm; B-Ellen Gates Partnership (GB); T-Karl Burke.

2nd-Sandown, £10,000, Mdn, 7-26, 2yo, f, 5f 10yT, 1:02.38, gd.

RAISON D’ETRE (IRE) (f, 2, Bated Breath (GB)—Allez Sophia (Ire), by Kingman (GB)), who disappointed when a well-beaten sixth trying six furlongs at Haydock earlier this month, raced with enthusiasm halfway down the field throughout the early stages trying six furlongs at Haydock earlier this month, raced with enthusiasm halfway down the field throughout the early stages here. Outpaced after halfway, the 13-2 shot rallied and stayed on strongly to hit the front with half a furlong remaining and score by a neck from Brightwalton (GB) (Wootton Bassett (GB)); T-Karl Burke.

GOFUK. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $5,532.

O-D J Mackay & West Shaw Farm; B-Ellen Gates Partnership (GB); T-Karl Burke.

Handicap Results:

7th-Great Yarmouth, £75,000, Hcp, 7-25, 3yo/up, 10f 23yT, 2:05.24, g/f.

RATHGAR (GB) (g, 4, Ulysses (Ire)—Why We Dream (Ire), by Al Kazeem (GB)) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-4, $97,620. O/B-Jon & Julia Aisbitt (GB); T-Jack Channon.

6th-Great Yarmouth, £50,000, Hcp, 7-25, 3yo/up, 14f 17yT, 3:01.82, g/f.

EXPRESSIONLESS (GB) (g, 4, Intello (Ger)—Putois Peace (GB), by Pivotal (GB)) Lifetime Record: 18-4-1-1, $65,531. O-Chris Housego & Dylan Cunha; B-Bloomsbury Stud (GB); T-Dylan Cunha. *$5,000gns Ylg ’21 TATSOM.

Additional Maiden Winners:

Far Above The Law (Ire), g, 2, Far Above (Ire)—Cindy Bear (Ire), by Kodiac (GB). Chepstow, 7-26, 6f 16yT, 1:11.83. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $9,010. B-Michael Buckley & Ian Thompson (IRE). *€15,000 Wlg ‘22 GOPNO1; €20,000 Ylg ‘23 GOAUYR.

Friday’s Results:

1st-Cork, €20,000, Mdn, 7-26, 2yo, 5fT, :58.63, gd.

WISE MEN SAY (IRE) (c, 2, Bungle Inthejungle (GB)—Company Jeed (Ire), by Fast Company (Ire)), who registered a July 4 debut fourth over this distance at Bellewstown in his only prior start, was hustled along to remain in contact with the main body of the field through the early stages here. Coming under sterner urging once past halfway, the 5-1 chance joined the front rank on the far side passing the furlong marker and kept on in resolute fashion to deny Gazelle D’Or (Ire) (Equiano (Fr)) by a length. “He is a smashier and wants to go further,” commented Con Marnane. “He was off the bridle two or three furlongs out and when he gets up to seven [furlongs] or a mile he will be a lovely horse. Jessie [Harrington] and Dusty [Shane Foley] have done a super job with him. He is a good size, being 16.1 hands, and he’s a perfect model. He wants good ground and would be ideal for America.” Wise Men Say is the second foal and scorer produced by a half-sister to Listed Dick Poole Fillies’ Stakes victrix and G3 Princess Margaret Stakes placegetter Burwaaz (GB) (Exceed And Excel (Aus)). Nidhaal is also the second dam of Listed City Walls Stakes victor and G1 Nunthorpe Stakes third Moss Gill (Ire) (No Nay Never). The March-foaled bay is half to a yearling colt by Nando Parrado (GB) and a weanling colt by Earthlight (Ire). Sales history: 8,000gns Wlg ’22 TADEWE; £16,000 Ylg ’23 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $13,852.

O-Amy & Olivia Marnane; B-Northern Bloodstock Agency Ltd (IRE); T-Jessica Harrington.

4th-Cork, €12,000, Mdn, 7-26, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:10.85, gd.

FIREBIRD (GB) (f, 3, Lope De Vega (Ire)—War And Peace (GB), by Frankel (GB)), runner-up on her sole start for the Rebecca Menzies stable at Ayr in October, travelled powerfully tracking the pace up trhe centre. Tanking to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 4-6 favourite drew away to score by five lengths from White Clover (Ire) (Starspangledbanner (Aus)). Acquired from Lady Ogden’s draft at last year’s Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale, the winner is out of an unraced daughter of the G1 Matron Stakes heroine Emulous (GB) (Dansili (GB)) whose best performer Bluestocking (GB) (Camelot (GB)) captured the G1 Pretty Polly Stakes and takes part in Saturday’s King George. Cont. p16
4th-Cork Cont.

Her unraced 2-year-old filly Cathedral (GB) (Too Darn Hot (GB)) was a €800,000 purchase by Robson Aguiar as the top-priced filly at the Arqana May Breeze Up Sale. She is also responsible for a yearling colt by Showcasing (GB), who cost JP Bloodstock 45,000gns at the Tattersalls December Foal Sale, and a colt foal by Pinatubo (Ire). Sales history: 260,000gns 2yo ‘23 TATAHI. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $9,878. O-Arabian Bloodstock; B-Sir Robert Ogden (GB); T-P Twomey.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Cork, €30,000, 7-26, 2yo, 5fT, :58.10, gd.

MORNING VIETNAM (GB) (g, 2, Bungle Inthejungle (GB)--Good Morning Lady (GB), by Compton Place (GB)) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, $36,330. O-Morning Vietnam Partnership; B-Maywood Stud (GB); T-Michael O’Callaghan. *£17,000 Ylg ‘23 GOFFUK.

6th-Cork, €17,000, 7-26, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:39.20, gd.

KARSAVINA (GB) (f, 4, Ulysses (Ire)--Osipova (GB), by Makfi (GB)) Lifetime Record: 13-2-0-0, $25,739. O-S E Sangster; B-Cheveley Park Stud Limited (GB); T-Joseph O’Brien. *110,000gns HRA ‘23 TATAHI. **1/2 to Positive (GB) (Dutch Art (GB)), GSW-Eng, $164,558.

FRANCE

Friday’s Results:

2nd-Le Lion d’Angers, €16,000, Mdn, 7-26, 2yo, 6fT, 1:14.89, sf.

LADY OF ANDROS (GB) (f, 2, Ardad (Ire)--Badweia, by Kingmambo), a supplementary entry drawn in the outside stall, dwelt at the break and raced in rear through halfway. Coming under pressure off the home turn, the 9-5 favourite challenged wide passing the furlong marker and was pushed out to deny Signoria Piazza (Ire) (Sergei Prokofiev) by 3/4-of-a-length. Lady Of Andros, full-sister to a weanling colt, is the 11th of 12 foals and fifth scorer out of a dual-winning half-sister to GIII Thunder Road Stakes winner and GI Shoemaker Mile runner-up Farhaan (Jazil), multiple Group-placed Listed Jebel Ali Stakes victor Haatheq (Seeking The Gold) and the dual stakes-placed Wid (Elusive Quality). The May-foaled bay’s third dam is G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Shadayid (Shadedead). Sales history: 48,000gns Ylg ‘23 TATSOM. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,000. Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Laurent Benoit; B-Whatton Manor Stud & Thurso Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

3rd-Dax, €23,000, Cond, 7-26, 2yo, 6fT, 1:13.50, gd.

AWJ (GB) (f, 2, Profitable (Ire)--Hollos (GB), by Acclamation (GB)) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €31,164. O-Javier Maldonado Trinchand; B-Tibthorpe Stud (GB); T-Mauricio Delcher Sanchez. *20,000gns Wlg ‘22 TATFOA.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Alimaya (Fr), f, 3, City Light (Fr)--Tejaara, by Kingmambo. Dax, 7-26, 6fT, 1:12.50. B-Mme Yvette Pantall & Henri-Pontall (Fr). *1/2 to Rangali (GB) (Namid (GB)), GSW & MG1SP-Fr, $454,823; and Dhevanafushi (GB) (Kendargent (Fr)), MSP-Fr, $267,926.

Alyaqut (Fr), f, 3, Hunter’s Light (Ire)--Soft Blue (Fr), by Green Tune. Le Lion d’Angers, 7-26, 7fT, 1:28.99. B-Al Moghtarah BVBA (FR).

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TDN RISING STAR

Threat (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand (GB))

Owner: Cheveley Park Stud
Breeder: La Lumiere Partnership (Ire)
Trainer: Richard Hannon
### KING GEORGE VI & QUEEN ELIZABETH QIPCO S.-G1, £1,250,000, 3yo/up, 11f 211y

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### THE SKY BET YORK S.-G2, £135,000, 3yo/up, 10f 56y

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**FLEXJET PAT EDDERY S.-Listed, £50,000, 2yo, 7f 0y**

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

**GRAND PRIX 80TH ANNIVERSAIRE DU DEBARQUEMENT (GRAND PRIX DE CLAIREFONTAINE)-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, 12fT**

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A YEAR AFTER MAPLE LEAF MEL BROKE DOWN, MELANIE GIDDINGS STILL TRYING TO DEAL WITH HER EMOTIONS

by Bill Finley

The anniversary is right around the corner, a gruesome tragedy that nobody who was at Saratoga that day will ever forget. It was among the darkest days in the long history of racing upstate. But nobody had it worse than trainer Melanie Giddings, who, in a fraction of second, saw Maple Leaf Mel (Cross Traffic) go from the sure winner of the GI Test Stakes to a horse who broke down inches before the wire and could not be saved.

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THREE GRADE I WINNERS AMONG 'DANDY' HALF-DOZEN by Alan Carasso

Trainer Chad Brown has long stated that a victory in the GI Travers Stakes, not far from home in Mechanicville, would be one of the crowning moments of what will be a Hall of Fame career. 'TDN Rising Star' Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) is the barn's main hope for the centerpiece of the Saratoga meeting and he can take one giant step towards fulfilling his trainer's dream as the likely favorite in Saturday's GII Jim Dandy Stakes.

The colt, who topped the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale not far from the main entrance to the track, has done little wrong in his career, yet is still very much a work in progress. So impressive in winning the GII Risen Star Stakes and GI Toyota Blue Grass Stakes, wayward stretch antics arguably cost him the victory in the GI Kentucky Derby two starts back. The GI Belmont Stakes was there for the taking as well, but even with Flavien Prat replacing Tyler Gaffalione, he was up to his old tricks--to be fair, a sluggish start didn't aid his cause either--and could do no better than third in the final leg of the Triple Crown held locally June 8.

After breezing in company up to the Belmont, Sierra Leone has been going on his own of late, and Brown is bullish on what he's seen.

“"For right now, at this point of his campaign, it's working for him taking him out of company for a little bit," said the trainer, who has also never won the Jim Dandy.

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GAY O’CALLAGHAN ON YEOMANSTOWN STALWART DARK ANGEL

Gay O’Callaghan of Yeomanstown Stud gives an update on his star stallion Dark Angel (Ire), who is enjoying one of his best seasons as a sire.
Invictus schools in the paddock alongside a picture of his sire, Into Mischief. The first foal of MGIW Serengeti Empress makes his debut Saturday in Saratoga’s seventh race. | Sarah Andrew
Melanie Giddings, cont. from p1

The morning after last year's Test Stakes, Giddings shares a muffin with her pony Gordo and her dog Reece | Sarah Andrew

Her business is doing fine. She has 42 horses and hopes to win a handful of races at Saratoga. But that won’t be nearly enough to erase when happened on Aug. 5 of last year.

“I don’t think you’ll ever get over something like that,” Giddings said. “She was a pretty special filly but even if she were just a $5,000 claimer, it would also have been a tragic thing. We are in this sport because we love the horse and we don’t want to see any of them get hurt.”

Owned by retired NFL Hall of Fame coach Bill Parcells, Maple Leaf Mel served notice well before the Test that she was one of the fastest 3-year-old fillies in training. She was 5-for-5 coming into the race with wins in the GIII Victory Ride Stakes and the GIII Miss Preakness Stakes.

For all but the last four or five steps, it looked like the Test was going to be a coronation. She had the race won until suffering a catastrophic injury to her right front leg.

“It was pretty much a feeling of shock,” said the 40-year-old trainer. “I took a filly into a race that I thought was going to win. It went from a real high, to, literally, rock bottom and I couldn’t believe that it actually happened.”

She said that Parcells, who named the filly after her, was also deeply disappointed and upset.

“For Bill Parcells, it was obviously hard for him,” Giddings said. “He spent a lot of time and money in this business looking for a special horse. We were really enjoying having her. It would have been his first Grade I win and he was looking to have a real big summer here in Saratoga and the rest of the year and then looking forward to Breeders’ Cup.”

With the breakdown, the race was officially won by the Brendan Walsh-trained Pretty Mischievous (Into Mischief).

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Melanie Giddings, cont.

In a series of classy and magnanimous gestures, Walsh would not allow a winner’s circle picture taken of his horse and the following day he gifted the blanket of flowers to Giddings.

“It was really nice of him to do that,” she said. “Brendan is a good-hearted person himself. I’ve known him for a while, back when he was working with Eddie Kenneally. He takes great care of his horses and I know it was hard for him to see that as well. None of us ever want to see that. At end of the day we are competitors, but we are all doing it for the same reason and when something like that happens it affects everybody.”

Giddings wouldn’t talk about the race in the days immediately following it, but has grown comfortable telling her story. She said one of the harder days over the last year was when she attended the awards ceremony for New York-breds.

“It was hard when I had to go to the New York-bred ceremony and they honored her and she won all sorts of awards,” Giddings said. “But it just shows you how good she really was.”

Giddings has a lot to look forward to at this year’s Saratoga meet. She finished second with Leon Blue (Mo Town) in a July 24 maiden race and had a runner-up with first-time starter Elemiah (Rowayton). She said she has other horses she is high on that will run before the meet is over.

But another Maple Leaf Mel? She can’t see that happening.

“She was just pretty special all around,” she said. “You knew she was special from the start and those horses are very rare. She’s a once-in-a-lifetime horse, to be honest with you.”

Saturday’s graded preview, cont. from p1

Brown continued: “He’s very fit and I’m just looking to bring him to the race healthy and focused.”

The enigmatic Eclipse Award-winning ‘TDN Rising Star’ Fierceness (City of Light) looks to give Repole Stable and Todd Pletcher back-to-back scores in the race, after champion Forte (Violence) saluted 12 months ago. And connections will be hoping that his in-and-out pattern means an ‘A’ effort is in the offing after Fierceness weakened to 15th in the Derby. An effort approximating that which he turned in to take the GI Curlin Florida Derby will likely see him get his picture taken, but with Fierceness, there really are no guarantees.

“We are happy with him,” Pletcher said. “We gave him plenty of time after the Kentucky Derby, and I think it has done him well. He has put on some weight and has trained really well.”

Seize the Grey (Arrogate) looks to become the first winner of the GI Preakness Stakes to double up in the Jim Dandy since Bernardini (A.P. Indy) in 2006. The only other member of the field to have earned a triple-digit Beyer, the grey colt was one of the first beaten in the Belmont, tiring to finish a distant seventh. Trainer Wayne Lukas last won the Jim Dandy in 2001 with Scorpion (Seattle Slew).

Juddmonte’s Batten Down (Tapit), whose full-brother Tacitus nearly won the 2019 Jim Dandy, was under consideration for the Belmont, but shipped to Thistledown instead and proved an easy, all-the-way winner of the GIII Ohio Derby, besting Gould’s Gold (Goldencents) by a length and three-quarters. Cont.
CONGRATULATIONS TO WORLD RECORD'S CONNECTIONS:

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Trainer: Rodolphe Brisset

WORLD RECORD looks like a WORLD BEATER IN THE AMSTERDAM (G2)

TDN RISING STAR, WORLD RECORD, a $410,000 weanling purchase, goes gate to wire in the Grade 2 AMSTERDAM through blistering fractions of 21.56 and 44.64 en route to a 6 3/4 length romp at the Spa ... a quintessential GUN RUNNER performance.

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Saturday's graded preview, cont.

Pony Express (Gun Runner), a nine-length maiden winner at Santa Anita June 15, completes the field.

Grade I Sprints On Either Coast

The nominal feature on Saturday's program at the Spa is the GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap, which has drawn a field of six. Skelly (Practical Joke) is the 6-5 favorite on the morning line and has not missed a beat this season after tasting defeat just once in seven outings last term. Winner of the King Cotton Stakes at Oaklawn Feb. 3, he ran with credit to be runner-up in the G3 Riyadh Dirt Sprint in Saudi Arabia just three weeks later. Just short of eight weeks hence, the dark bay defended his title in the GIII Count Fleet Sprint Handicap and added a repeat success in the May 4 Lake Hamilton Stakes in Hot Springs, but he could not overcome a slow start when second in the Aristides Stakes at Churchill June 1.

Nakatomi (Firing Line) was an allowance winner at this meeting last summer and also traveled to the desert earlier this year, finishing a meritorious third with some trouble in the GII Count Fleet Sprint Handicap and added a repeat success in the May 4 Lake Hamilton Stakes in Hot Springs, but he could not overcome a slow start when second in the Aristides Stakes at Churchill June 1.

Arabian Knight Back In Action In San Diego

'TDN Rising Star' Arabian Knight (Uncle Mo), last seen finishing a very good fourth behind White Abarrio (Race Day) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic Nov. 4, makes a much-anticipated return to action as the 124-pound topweight in Saturday's GI San Diego Handicap at Del Mar. The 8 1/2-furlong contest serves as a prep for the GI Pacific Classic, won in front-running fashion last year by Arabian Knight.
Gun Song Drops In Class For Monmouth Oaks

Lee Lewis's Gun Song (Gun Runner) has faced the best competition among the eight horses signed on for Saturday's GIII Monmouth Oaks and should find smoother sailing here as a short-priced favorite. Fractionally disappointing when only fourth in the GII Gulfstream Park Oaks Mar. 30, the chestnut proved a convincing winner of the GII Black-Eyed Susan Stakes at Pimlico May 17. Connections elected to swing for the fences in the GII Acorn Stakes at Saratoga June 7, and Gun Song was a forward factor for about six furlongs before retreating to eighth behind divisional leader Thorpedo Anna (Fast Anna). Little Jamie (Collected) was chinned on the line to just miss in the GII Indiana Oaks July 6 and is a candidate to pick up some more graded black-type here, while Chilled (Frosted) can also get a slice if running back to her eight-length graduation at Churchill June 22.

GUN RUNNER 'RISING STAR' OUT OF THIS 'WORLD' IN AMSTERDAM

Siena Farm and WinStar Farm's 'TDN Rising Star' World Record (Gun Runner), third last out in the Maxfield Stakes at Churchill Downs June 30, received a much more aggressive ride from Flavien Prat Friday and ran a compact--but talented--field off their feet in the GII Amsterdam Stakes at the Spa.

Off at odds of 6-1 while adding blinkers, the bay was on the engine from his rail draw and sizzled through fractions of :21.56 and :44.64. He kicked for home as the one to catch and kept on motoring down the lane to defeat heavily favored Jefferson Street (Street Sense), a runaway optional claiming winner over track and trip during the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival, by 6 3/4 lengths. Valentine Candy (Justify), a four-time stakes winner at the 2023-24 Oaklawn Park stand, was third.

World Record earned his 'Rising Star' badge with a powerful 6 1/4-length wire-to-wire maiden victory at second asking in Louisville May 27. World Record was defeated by 2 3/4 lengths after tracking early from fourth in the Maxfield. He has drawn the rail now for three straight races.

"He kind of gave him the rein and the horse didn't get put on the engine and he got beat," winning trainer Rodolphe Brisset said of World Record's effort last time in the Maxfield. "I am not saying it was Flavien's fault, but the horse did not run the way we were thinking he was going to run."

Brisset continued, “So, the plan today was to get out there and make sure we make it. Obviously, the [:21.56 opening quarter] if its a six furlong, yes, six and half, you have to worry about the last sixteenth, but he hung on pretty good.”

As for World Record contesting the seven-furlong GI H. Allen Jerkens Memorial Aug. 24, Brisset said "Hopefully, we don't draw the rail, but seven [furlongs] shouldn't be an issue. He won going seven, you can clear the field, you don't have to go that fast. The 6 1/2 [furlongs] can be tricky, you've got to be able to put up those fractions like you're going six and hold up like you're a seven-furlong horse, he did that today."

Pedigree Notes:

World Record, a $410,000 KEENOV weanling purchase, becomes the 24th graded/group winner worldwide for leading young sire Gun Runner, who is also responsible for 2022 Amsterdam winner and MGISW Gunite. Marwa, a maiden of four starts racing in her native land, brought $180,000 from Magna Carta Bloodstock at the 2018 KEENOV sale. She is also responsible for the unraced 2-year-old filly Everloving (Violence) (purchased for $80,000 by Joel Politi as a KEESEP yearling) and a yearling filly by Maxfield. She was bred to Tacitus for 2025. Cont.
Friday, Saratoga
AMSTERDAM S.-GII, $194,000, Saratoga, 7-26, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16.20, ft.
1--WORLD RECORD, 118, c, 3, by Gun Runner
  1st Dam: Marwa (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus)
  2nd Dam: La Cucina (Ire), by Last Tycoon (Ire)
  3rd Dam: Fandangerina, by Grey Dawn II
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. 'TDN Rising Star'. ($410,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV). O-Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC; B-Runnymede Farm LLC, Falguieres Bloodstock, Gestut Zur Kuste AG, et (KY); T-Rodolphe Brisset; J-Flavien Prat. $110,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-2, $205,750.
Werk Nick Rating: F. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. 'TDN Rising Star'

2--Jefferson Street, 118, c, 3, Street Sense--Apiary, by Bernardini. 1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.
  O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-William I. Mott. $40,000.
3--Valentine Candy, 122, c, 3, Justify--Taste Like Candy, by Candy Ride (Arg). 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE. ($250,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT). O-L. William Heiligbrodt, Corinne Heiligbrodt, Jackpot Farm, Whispering Oaks Farm LLC and Coteau Grove Farms; B-Pine Creek LP (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. $24,000.

Also Ran: Donegal Momentum, Pure Force.
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BRION PROVES SHE IS MORE THAN JUST A JUMP TRAINER by Tim Wilkin
SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – In her days as a Thoroughbred horse trainer, Keri Brion has been associated mainly with steeplechase runners. And she has no problem with that. The jump game has been good to her.

Since opening her own stable, the former assistant to the late Hall of Famer Jonathan Sheppard has trained an Eclipse Award Steeplechase horse in The Mean Queen (Ire) (Doyen {Ire}), who won it in 2021, her first year.

But there is more to her training game, and she made people take notice. On Thursday, Brion won the 10th race with Miztertonic (Mission Impazible). It was the first flat race Brion ever won at Saratoga Race Course.

Ridden by Frankie Dettori, Miztertonic did not lead the maiden claiming race until the final jump. He won by a nose on the inner turf and paid $17.20.

“That was pretty cool,” Brion said at her barn at the Oklahoma Annex Friday morning, “especially getting it like that. I know it was just a maiden $40,000, but it doesn’t matter. It’s Saratoga; it so much harder to win here ... just incredible how competitive it is.” Cont.
While watching the race from the winner’s circle, she wasn’t sure if Miztertonic had won. It was that close.

Once it became official, there was relief and excitement.

“I have won Grade Is over the jumps here, but the amount of text messages on my phone for winning a maiden 40 ... everyone watches Saratoga,” she said. “I think I had 50 messages.”

Brion said she could not remember how many horses she has run over the flats at Saratoga in her career—“but it’s not that many,” she said.

Brion may be known more as a steeplechase trainer, but she has more flat runners than jumpers. Of the 90 horses she has in training, she said “about” 25 go over the hurdles. The rest are flat racers.

“I want people to see my name and not just think ‘she is a jump trainer’,” Brion said. “That is not a bad thing. I do well over the jumps. I have trained Grade I winners, I have an Eclipse. There is a stigma if you train jump horses, you can’t train flat horses.”

According to Equibase, Brion has started 170 horses this year and has 22 wins, 18 seconds and 33 third-place finishes. The National Steeplechase Association has her with four wins, two seconds and eight thirds in 40 starts.

“In the Mid-Atlantic, I run a lot of flat horses and we have had a really good year,” she said.

Brion finished third and fifth in the GI A.P. Smithwick Memorial Handicap over the Saratoga hurdles last Sunday.

When he won Thursday, Miztertonic, a 5-year-old grey gelding, was making his second start off a two-year layoff. It was only his third career start, and he was going 1 1/16 miles after two races at six furlongs.

“I thought he would run well,” Brion said. “I always thought he was going to be a horse that wanted to stretch out. I can’t tell you I thought he was going to win. There were a lot of horses dropping down to the maiden special weight level and he needed to take a step up. I can get horses fit, but you do question yourself up here.”

**Ward Hoping for Rebound as Nakatomi Returns to Races in Vanderbilt**

If Saturday’s $350,000 GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap runs to form, 5-year-old gelding Nakatomi (Firing Line) should get a favorable setup.

Owned by Qatar Racing LLC and Mrs. Fitriani Hay, Nakatomi and jockey Tyler Gaffalione will see plenty of speed around them in the six-furlong race.

“Everyone in there is a fast horse, which you would expect in a Grade I going three quarters,” Nakatomi trainer Wesley Ward said Friday about his five rivals.

Early speed is one thing Nakatomi does not have, so the faster they go up front, the better for him.

This will be the first start for Nakatomi since he finished a troubled third in the Group 1 Golden Shaheen in Dubai on Mar. 30. Ridden by Jamie Spencer that day, Nakatomi had a bad break and a wide trip.

“I was not able to go myself this year, but after watching the replay and feedback from Jamie Spencer, it was just a really rough trip,” Ward said. “He had been training well for that race and it’s a shame we did not have a good shot at it.”

When he got Nakatomi back to Kentucky, Ward wanted to do what he always does with his horses that head overseas: give them time off.

“That is what we did,” he said. “We gave him time to recover, but it didn’t appear like he needed it. I gave it to him anyway.”

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**Saratoga Notebook, cont.**

Nakatomi, named after Nakatomi Plaza from the 1988 movie “Die Hard,” is the 5-2 second choice on the Vanderbilt morning line behind the Steve Asmussen-trained Skelly (Practical Joke), who is 6-5.

Leaving from the rail should not be a problem for Nakatomi, Ward said.

“If the one hole did not make a difference for any horse, it would be him,” Ward said. “Hopefully, all the others will get away cleanly so we can get a nice stalking trip and be able to ease out and away we go.”

Nakatomi has five wins, two seconds and six thirds in 17 career starts. In nine tries at the Vanderbilt distance, he has one win to along with two seconds and five thirds.

In his final start last year, Nakatomi was third in the GI Breeders’ Cup Sprint.

This will be his third start at Saratoga. He won an allowance at the Spa in 2023 and was third in the 2021 GII Saratoga Special Stakes.

**Haskell Winner Dornoch Back at Gargan’s Barn Following Four Days Off Campus**

After four days away, GI Haskell Stakes winner Dornoch (Good Magic) returned to trainer Danny Gargan’s barn on the backstretch at Saratoga Race Course.

Considered by many to be the leader of the 3-year-old colt division, Dornoch had spent the majority of the week at GMP Farm in nearby Schuylerville where he had Hyperbaric Oxygen Chamber therapy, a procedure that delivers increased amount of oxygen to injured tissues.

Dornoch, also the GI Belmont Stakes winner, has had a skin disease, Gargan said.

“He had four treatments, it was a good way to recover (from the Haskell win July 20),” Gargan said at his barn on the Saratoga backstretch Friday. “He came back Thursday, and he went to the track (Friday).”

Gargan is keeping Dornoch on the same schedule he had him on in the time between the GI Kentucky Derby—where he finished 10th—and the Belmont. He said there will be two works for Dornoch before the next target, the GI Travers Stakes on Aug. 24. One will come 15-16 days from the race and the second will be seven or eight days out.

“They pumped fresh oxygen into him, and he looked great out there on the track,” Gargan said. “It’s a luxury to have that (GMP Farm) facility right down the road. It’s gorgeous.”

**KRONE IN SARATOGA TO WORK ON DOCUMENTARY** by Sue Finley

Julie Krone, who appeared in Friday's TDN in a photo by photographer Sarah Andrew riding 'TDN Rising Star' Knightsbridge (Nyquist), accompanied by Bill Mott on his pony, is not back in Saratoga for any serious riding, she reported Friday morning.

Instead, Krone is in town working on the documentary of her life which is being produced by Sports Illustrated Studios and Spyglass Media Group. The documentary will cover Krone's racing career and on-track successes, as well as the injuries and struggles she faced.

"We were going to be in Saratoga filming for the documentary and I was just riding in Canada at the Flying Cross Jockey School," she said of her appearance on Knightsbridge. "I'm really fit and we all know nothing is as fun as riding racehorses. I put these together and ended up on the extremely beautiful Bill Mott horse, Knightsbridge. I was all blissed out. Racehorses are so special. It gave me a lot of joy. I was walking on air after."
Krone in Saratoga, cont.

Julie Krone aboard Knightsbridge with trainer Bill Mott
Sarah Andrew photo

Krone said that she will be in town through the Hall of Fame ceremonies next Friday, August 2, and doesn’t have firm plans to do any additional riding while she’s there. "We only jogged, and cantered the wrong way with the pony," she said. "Still, though, she said it did make her wonder what if. "How fun would it be to be riding him, in front or stalking with his ears up just asking to run. He was so beautiful. So Godolphin."

Knightsbridge has won his only two starts, a maiden race Nov. 4 at Churchill Downs and an allowance March 28 at Gulfstream.

Even though the two counts in the Oklahoma horsemen’s civil complaint—alleged violations of the Constitutional non-delegation doctrine and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA)—are familiar planks whose angles have been argued in some of the other lawsuits, this new one filed Wednesday in United States District Court of Oklahoma (Western District) hits on the fact that there are now two conflicting opinions in federal appeals courts about whether or not HISA is constitutional.

Although the lawsuit does not specifically mention that the question over HISA’s constitutionality could be headed for the U.S. Supreme Court to resolve the conflicting appeals courts' opinions, the plaintiffs did make sure to underscore that the Fifth Circuit, on July 5, 2024, issued a ruling stating that HISA’s enforcement provisions are facially unconstitutional. That opinion was a departure from the Sixth Circuit’s ruling from Mar. 3, 2023, which stated that a change of language in the HISA law at the end of 2022 was sufficient to alleviate any concerns over the act’s constitutionality.

The plaintiffs in this new case are Joe Offolter, Danny Caldwell, Elizabeth Butler, Randy Blair, Bryan Hawk, Scott Young, Boyd Caster and Michael Major. The complaint describes most of them as licensed participants for the upcoming Thoroughbred meet at Remington Park in Oklahoma City that starts Aug. 16. Their lawsuit stated the following:

"The Act gives the Authority investigatory powers and the right to enforce alleged rule violations with fines, suspensions, and civil enforcement actions, asserting the power of the federal government..."

"After an APA challenge, a federal district court in Louisiana held that the FTC’s implementation of the rules violated the APA and enjoined their enforcement (in certain states, and for certain parties)..."

"In a challenge involving Oklahoma, the Sixth Circuit found that Congress’s amendment cured the facial constitutional defect by placing the Authority subordinate to the FTC. Pertinent here, the Sixth Circuit evaluated the challenge to the Act’s enforcement provisions as a facial challenge, not an as-applied challenge to an individual enforcement action..."

"A few weeks ago, the Fifth Circuit, on another look at HISA, disagreed with the Sixth Circuit, holding that HISA’s enforcement provisions, on its face, unconstitutionally delegates federal executive power to a private entity..."

"The Court should declare certain HISA provisions and concomitant regulations unconstitutional and preliminarily and permanently enjoin Defendants (or any of its associates or agents) from implementing and enforcing the same in Oklahoma and/or grant Plaintiffs alternative relief under the APA or other federal law." Cont.
Beyond the Fifth Circuit case, whose lead plaintiff is the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA), and the Sixth Circuit case, led by the states of Oklahoma, West Virginia and Louisiana, another case at the federal appeals court level is awaiting judgment in the Eighth Circuit.

That case involves leaders of the HBPA affiliates in Arkansas and Iowa seeking to reverse a lower court's denial of a preliminary injunction that sought to halt HISA and its Anti-Doping and Medication Control program.

Yet another federal lawsuit, in which both HISA and the FTC are defendants in a 2022 complaint initiated by the states of Louisiana and West Virginia, is listed on the docket as being "administratively stayed" pending the ruling by the Fifth Circuit that came out three weeks ago.

That's the lawsuit that, exactly two years ago, on July 26, 2022, put in place a preliminary injunction that is currently prohibiting HISA rules from being implemented in the states of Louisiana and West Virginia.

A sixth anti-HISA federal lawsuit filed in Texas in 2022 by a consortium of present, past, and aspirational pari-mutuel track operators in that state was ordered in 2023 to be condensed into the HBPA's lawsuit that also originated in Texas, which is the one that ended up going to the Fifth Circuit appeals court.

Strikingly, the 0.76 fatalities per start is less than half of the fatality rate at non-HISA tracks in West Virginia, Texas, and Louisiana, which was 1.8 for the same period--11,125 starts with 20 fatalities in the three states combined.

"Thoroughbred racing is consistently getting safer with HISA's involvement and the commitment of our racing stakeholders, especially the horsemen and veterinarians who work so diligently under HISA to keep horses safe," said HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus. "Today's metrics release shows tremendous progress towards preserving and improving a cherished sport, and all participating stakeholders should be proud of the progress we have made by working together. Collaboration is essential to maintaining this positive trend, and we continue to actively work with the horse racing community to elevate Thoroughbred racing to new, and safer, heights.

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'HORSEMAN-VERSUS-HISA LAWSUIT, CONT.'

The second quarter of 2024 (Apr. 1-June 30) continued the downward trajectory of the rate of racing-related equine fatalities in the industry, according to the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA)'s 2024 Second Quarter Metrics Report. The report provides an in-depth analysis of key performance indicators related to the safety and integrity of Thoroughbred racing in the United States.

Since the implementation of the Anti-Doping and Medication Control Program on May 22, 2023, which represents the point in time when HISA became fully operational, the fatality rate has declined for four consecutive quarters, including an approximate 49% decrease year over year in the second quarter of 2024.

Racetracks operating under HISA’s rules and running races in the second quarter reported 0.76 racing-related equine fatalities per 1,000 starts, compared to 1.48 racing-related equine fatalities per 1,000 starts in the second quarter of 2023.

**Second Quarter 2024 Highlights:**

**Equine Fatalities:** Racetracks operating under HISA’s rules that were open for racing reported 0.76 racing-related equine fatalities per 1,000 starts during the second quarter of 2024 as compared to 1.48 racing-related equine fatalities per 1,000 starts during the first quarter of 2023, a decrease of approximately 49% year over year. The report also sets forth the racing-related fatalities by state and individual racetrack, including racetracks outside of HISA’s purview in Louisiana, Texas and West Virginia.

Beginning with HISA’s 2024 Annual Metrics Report, to be published during the first quarter of 2025, HISA will provide training-related fatalities for the full year and each quarter of 2024 on an aggregate and per-track basis.

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**HISA report, cont.**

**Racetrack Accreditation:** As of June 30, 2024, HISA has completed accreditation visits at 31 tracks, seven of which occurred during the second quarter of this year: Oaklawn Park in Arkansas, FanDuel Sportsbook and Horse Racing and Hawthorne in Illinois, Pimlico in Maryland, Canterbury Park in Minnesota and Aqueduct and Saratoga Race Course in New York.

Racing Participant Registration: As of June 30, 2024, approximately 35,000 Covered Persons, 65,000 Covered Horses and 1,000 veterinarians were registered with HISA.

**Veterinary Treatment Records:** On average, HISA received approximately 6,500 veterinary treatment records each day during the second quarter of 2024, and, as of June 30, 2024, approximately 3.2 million veterinary treatment records had been uploaded to the HISA Portal since the inception of the Racetrack Safety Program on July 1, 2022.

You may access the full report by clicking here. The Horseracing Integrity & Welfare Unit will also release a separate quarterly report detailing metrics from the Anti-Doping and Medication Control Program.

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**SPORTSBOOKS, CAW WAGERING TAKE CENTER STAGE AT NATIONAL HBPA CONFERENCE**

The new reality of Computer Assisted Wagering’s escalating presence in racetrack’s pools and the emergence of horse racing as a fixed-odds betting product on sportsbooks were the focus of Thursday’s second day of the three-day National HBPA Conference at Prairie Meadows.

Discussing fixed odds on horse racing as a new betting product has become a fixture at the National HBPA Conference, led by industry consultant Michele Fischer, who also is vice president of SIS Content Services, a subsidiary of the largest horse-racing content supplier to global bookmakers/sportsbooks. But this time the panel had the added twist of having actually launched fixed odds on horse racing on a sportsbook in Colorado in February after years of talking about it.

Fischer called it “a monumental first step,” saying that racing is attractive to sportsbooks globally and should be part of the U.S. offering. “Sportsbooks want quality 24/7 content with good margins. Horse racing provides it and more,” she said.

The panel featured Louisiana HBPA executive director Ed Fenasci, Kim Oliver, president of the Colorado Horse Racing Association, and Dan Hartman, associate partner for regulatory and government affairs at GMA Consulting. Hartman previously held leadership positions with the Colorado Department of Revenue, including serving as Director of Gaming, where he played a pivotal role in establishing Colorado’s sports-betting program. Both Bally’s Arapahoe Park Horse Track and its horsemen receive source-market fees from all sports betting on horse racing in Colorado.

Colorado is the second state to begin offering fixed odds on horse racing and the first to make it part of a sportsbook, currently only on bet365. Colorado sports bettors, through bet365, now have 155 racetracks distributed by SIS on which they can wager via fixed odds. bet365 is a leading global betting brand that offers racing on its sportsbooks around the world. Additional operators in Colorado are expected to include horse racing by the end of the year.

New Jersey’s pioneering venture is much more limited, currently offered only at Monmouth Park and a separate website, but it is not as yet part of a sportsbook offering. Colorado’s Division of Gaming does not yet break out the betting figured on fixed-odds on horse racing at this time. However, Colorado racing stakeholders have indicated that they are pleased with the growth from the launch in February.

Tracks and their horsemen have to weigh the benefits of adding horse racing to a jurisdiction’s sports-betting products with the possible cannibalization of its pari-mutuel wagering versus introducing horse racing to a massive number of sports bettors who may have never been exposed to the sport. In the case of Colorado, it was an easy decision, with Oliver saying they were struggling just to keep horse racing alive.

“We are small and really didn’t have anything to lose,” she said. Cont.
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The advantage of fixed odds is that players lock into odds on a horse race, just as they do betting football, basketball or, in Colorado, a myriad of sports that include table tennis, on which $10 million a month is bet. Fixed odds do not depend on pool liquidity like pari-mutuel wagering, with allows smaller racetracks with competitive fields to be attractive to bettors.

Fenasci has been working for several years to bring it to Louisiana, where a portion of every bet placed on other sports goes to racehorse purses and the breeding fund.

“Why do I get so excited about fixed odds, sports wagering on horse racing?” Fenasci said. “Why am I so optimistic? One, it generates revenue for the tracks and purse money for my horsemen directly from the exciting product that is horse racing. There are people doing sports wagering on ping pong—and at a pretty good volume. A horse race is 100 times more exciting, in my opinion.”

“...So in a race here tomorrow night, there may be $4,000 in the win pool at one minute to post. And when the race goes off, there may be $10,000 in the win pool. In the last one or two tote cycles, a chunk of that money has come in from these players betting in an automated fashion. Their program may say to them, ‘bet $125 on the 5, $272 on the 4 and $357 on the 6.’ And of course, they’re betting exactas and trifectas, every pool they’re allowed to bet.”

The criticism of CAWs is that they can discourage ordinary horseplayers because of how they can influence the odds—which might not show up until the race becomes official. In addition, the biggest players can get substantial rebates back from the track operators. On the other hand, horsemen’s purse accounts could take a huge hit if the CAWs went away because they account for such a large percentage of overall betting. **Cont.**
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Some racetracks have gotten into CAW ownership, with The Stronach Group and the New York Racing Association buying into Elite Turf Club and Churchill Downs Inc. owning Velocity.

“These CAW customers have vast teams working for them doing various forms of analytics,” Cummings said. “They’re betting pretty much every race, every track, every pool, every day. They are your biggest customers. The story that emerges is what effect does that have on the average horseplayer who is engaging with your product.”

Jack Jeziorski, president of NYRA Content Management Solutions, assured the audience that these bets aren’t put in automatically. There’s somebody there physically hitting the key to put those bets in. And part of that is because most racetracks don’t go off at post time, so you can’t set it to go off automatically. A typical time is the first horse going into the gate, they’ll place the first batch of bets, then maybe a batch or two after that.

“... We’re not looking to take advantage of players or have them have a bad experience. But at the end of the day, not a lot of people make money in this game.... (CAWs) have vast amounts of data and are always looking for another piece of data to add to the model.” And with online wagering, he said, “we all have the ability to get that bet in at the last minute.

“The true difference is that these guys get the best rebates, and the speed in which they can get those bets in.”

Dave Basler, executive director of the Ohio HBPA, said “close to 40 percent” of the wagering on his state’s three tracks comes from CAW. He said what directly impacts both the Ohio horsemen and tracks’ bottom lines from betting are the host fee charged to each outlet for a track’s signal.

“The other part of the equation that sometimes doesn’t get enough consideration, I think enough, is the volume that they do,” he said. “There’s a tipping point. The CAW players are very cost sensitive. Depending on what your takeout is and your host fee is, that can get to a point where your handle becomes less. The CAW players are unquestionably your biggest customers. I don’t care which track you’re at.”

Basler acknowledged that negotiations have become more difficult when track ownership also is an investor in a betting platform catering to CAW players.

Jeziorski said less than 20 percent of NYRA’s betting comes from CAW players.

“What you really should be looking at is how much are these guys taking out of the pool vs. how much they’re paying the track and the horsemen’s in host fees,” he said. "If that ratio is out of whack, then you need to be looking at how to adjust it. The easiest way to adjust it is the host fee being charged."

Cummings said that with so much purse money now generated by other forms of gaming, tracks lose sight of the importance of wagering connecting with customers on a day in and day out basis. It is not as important to the corporate interests that are involved.

“I’d really like to challenge the horsemen’s groups to spend more time focused on how do you exercise your rights as horsemen to ensure that mass-market customers, ordinary bettors stay engaged in the sport you cherish.”

Cummings and Jeziorski disagreed on just what percent of overall wagering comes from CAW players. But they agreed racing has not done a good job trying to keep and grow its “retail” players.

“The real problem right now is not the computer guys,” Jeziorski said. "... The problem is we don’t have enough retail players, and we’re not doing enough to get retail players. Part of the problem is we don’t have a compelling betting product on a day-to-day basis.” Cont.
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“I think the number put out (Wednesday) is our field size nationwide is 7.4. It needs to be eight, really 10—and then takeout doesn’t matter as much.

“The computer guys are not the problem. We know how to manage it. We know how to maximize our revenue out of it. It is not what’s killing the game.”

Cummings said that he’s not against CAWs.

“Horse racing needs all of its customers,” he said. “It is the negative effect that one group of customers cause another…. When you adjust for inflation over the last 20 years, the non-CAW play is down more than two-thirds. We have seen an erosion of our mass market customer base. That’s really bad.”

Basler spoke from the perspective of an accomplished handicapper who has qualified for the National Horseplayers Championship six times. But, he said, “I’m not in the same stratosphere as the computer-assisted wagering players. They are so much above anybody who picks up and reads the Daily Racing Form in terms of the hours they put in, every aspect of it.

“... The best players are going to win, and I can’t level that out, no matter what I do. I can’t make the guy who comes in and bets the 7 horse in every race be on the same level as the guy who spends $7 million in programmers looking at every facet there is to look at in horse racing. They are extremely smart men and women. They put as much time and money into this game as anyone. So I don’t begrudge them winning.

“Overall for the industry, losing retail customers is a huge deal. I don’t think it’s directly related to CAW players. Sports betting obviously is part of that equation. There’s a lot more entertainment, more options for people’s dollars than 30 years ago.”

FINALISTS NAMED FOR 2023 DR. TONY RYAN BOOK AWARD

A trio of authors have been selected as finalists for the 19th annual Dr. Tony Ryan Book Award with the winner being selected on Thursday, Nov. 7 at Castleton Lyons near Lexington, Kentucky, the farm said in a Friday morning release.

This year’s finalists are:
- Isaac Murphy: The Rise and Fall of a Black Jockey by Katherine C. Mooney
- Lexington: The Extraordinary Life and Turbulent Times of America’s Legendary Racehorse by Kim Wickens
- The Turcottes: The Remarkable Story of a Horse Racing Dynasty by Curtis Stock

The winner will receive a $10,000 prize with $1,000 going to each runner-up. Tipperary crystal trophies will also be presented to the trio. The judges for 2023 competition were Kay Coyte, Caton Bredar and Diane White.
Preakness Champ Rombauer Will Shuttle to Chile

In a deal brokered by Matt Bowling of Bowling Bloodstock and J.P. Sullivan of Sullivan Bloodstock, GI Preakness winner Rombauer (Twirling Candy), who stood his first season this year at War Horse Place in Lexington, Kentucky, will be shuttling to Chile, according to a press release from Bowling Bloodstock on Friday.

The John Fradkin homebred broke his maiden at first asking at Del Mar during the summer of 2020 and was the runner-up in the GI American Pharoah Stakes at Santa Anita in late September. As a 3-year-old, the Michael McCarthy trainee was third in GII Toyota Blue Grass Stakes at Keeneland before conquering the second leg of the Triple Crown at double-digit odds.

Now a 6-year-old, the son of Twirling Candy—who stood his first season in 2024 for an advertised fee of $6,000 LFSN—will take up residence at Haras Porta Pia in Chile.

TRF Holds 'Stallions for Second Chances Halter Auction'

The Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation (TRF) will host an online ’Stallions for Second Chances Halter Auction’ beginning Saturday, July 27 at 8:30 p.m. ET and concluding the evening of Saturday, Aug. 3. The halters of four stallions have been donated by their respective farms: Gun Runner (Three Chimneys); Into Mischief (Spendthrift); Tapit (Gainesway); and Uncle Mo (Coolmore America).

Each halter is accompanied by a handcrafted shadowbox made by artisan Matt Martinez of Martinez Woodworks in Lexington, Ky.

All proceeds will benefit The TRF Second Chances program, which gives incarcerated individuals the opportunity to participate in vocational training while learning how to care for horses. Over 400 horses are in the program.

Visit trfin.org for more information. The direct link for bidding can be found here.

TRF will host a second auction from Aug. 19-25 featuring halters from Arcangelo, Constitution, Flightline, Munnings, Not This Time, and Oscar Performance.
### Saturday, Del Mar #10, post time: 9:30 p.m. EDT

**BING CROSBY S.-GI, $400,000, 3yo/up, 6f**

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### Saturday, Saratoga #6, post time: 3:20 p.m. EDT

**ALFRED G. VANDERBILT H.-GI, $350,000, 3yo/up, 6f**

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### Saturday, Saratoga #10, post time: 5:43 p.m. EDT

**JIM DANDY S. PRESENTED BY MOHEGAN SUN-GII**, $500,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

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**The Sign of Success by Keeneland**

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### ONTARIO COLLEEN S.-GIII, C$135,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

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### Thursday, Saratoga #9, post time: 5:45 p.m. EDT

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7th-SAR, $100k, Msw, 2yo, 6 1/2f, post time: 3:54 p.m. ET

INVICTUS (Into Mischief), the first foal from 2019 GI Kentucky Oaks and 2020 GI Ballerina Stakes winner Serengeti Empress (Alternation), cost China Horse Club, Siena Farm and WinStar Farm $1.2 million at last year’s Keeneland September Sale, and the Jan. 29 produce carries the WinStar colors for this first go. The bay, bred on similar cross to this sire’s Grade I winners Life Is Good and Practical Joke, has been made the 3-1 choice on the morning line for trainer Brad Cox and jockey Florent Geroux. Bidding on behalf of the Saudi-based KAS Stables, agent Pedro Lanz went to $650,000 for Tharhom at this year’s OBS April Sale, the most expensive of 42 first-crop juveniles by Global Campaign (Curlin) reported as sold this season. The bay, purchased in utero for $30,000 at OBS January in 2022, made $82,000 as a short yearling at OBS in the winter of 2023 and fetched $150,000 at OBS October from Eddie Woods. Chancer McPatrick (McKinnie) was knocked down for $725,000 at OBS April, his first-crop sire (by Street Sense)’s second-dearest juvenile from 39 sold. Dam Bernardreamy (Bernardini) is a daughter of GI Darley Alcibiades States winner Dream Empress (Bernstein). American Promise (Justify), a half-brother to Grade II-winning juvenile filly Hoosier Philly (Into Mischief), was scooped up by BC Stables for $750,000 at KEESEP last fall. TJCIS PPs

8th-SAR, $100k, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 4:29 p.m.

Summer Wind Equine’s TIPPLE (Constitution) is the lone first-timer in the main body of this field and has pedigree claims at starting odds likely to be well shy of her 12-1 morning line. The dark bay filly is a half-sister to Hootenanny (Quality Road), winner of the 2014 GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf, and Jane Lyon’s operation acquired dam More Hennessy (Hennessy) for $1.5 million in foal to Galileo (Ire) at the 2015 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. The mare, a half-sister to 2009 GI Prioress Stakes winner and GI Test Stakes runner-up Cat Moves (Tale of the Cat), has since produced SW/GSP Ryder Ryder Ryder (Quality Road). TJCIS PPs

1st-DMR, $75k, Msw, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 5:00 p.m. ET

Spendthrift Farm unveils its homebred MCKECHNIE (Into Mischief), the first foal from Mother Mother (Pioneerof the Nile), a two-time listed winner and three times Grade I-placed who was purchased by Spendthrift for $1.8 million at the 2020 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. Cont.
The cross of Into Mischief over Pioneerof the Nile’s sire Empire Maker has been wildly successful, accounting for ‘TDN Rising Star’ and GI Kentucky Derby winner Mandaloun and this year’s G1 Dubai World Cup hero Laurel River, among others. A New York-bred like her freshman sire (by Constitution), Usha (Tiz the Law) sold for $30,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred sale, but flourished in the intervening months and made $600,000 from the Three Amigos at OBS April. The May foal is out of the stakes-placed Animal Appeal (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}).

BRUMMELL (Not This Time) kicks off his career in the silks of Talla Racing, who campaigns the Virginia-bred colt in partnership with St Elias Stable and West Point Thoroughbreds, et al. The dark bay was a $375,000 Keeneland November weanling purchase in the fall of 2022--the top price of his boom sire’s 20 foals that changed hands at auction--and was the second-priciest of his yearlings when hammering for $1.05 million at KEESEP. Audley Farm Equine acquired the colt’s dam Foreign Affair (Exchange Rate), a half-sister to MGSW & MG1SP So Perfect (Scat Daddy), for $385,000 in foal to Justify at FTKNOV in 2019.

Some of the most highly anticipated races during the summer racing season are the ‘baby’ races during the boutique meetings at Saratoga and Del Mar and at Ellis Park, which attract its fair share of high-priced offspring from a variety of top national outfits. Summer Breezes highlights debuting 2-year-olds at those meetings that have been sourced at the breeze-up sales earlier in the year, with links to their under-tack previews. Here are the horses entered for Saturday at Saratoga, Del Mar and Ellis Park:

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Saratoga 1, $100k, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 12:35 p.m. ET
Horse (Sire) Sale Price ($) Breeze
Bestfriend Rocket (Curlin) OBSAPR 575,000 :10
C-de Meric Sales, agent; B-Donato Lanni for Frank Fletcher

Ellis 1, $71k, 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT, 12:50 p.m. ET
Fun to Run (Klimt) FTMMAY 85,000 :10 2/5
C-Navas Equine, agent; B-Carl R Moore Management LLC

Cont.
Reclusive, last seen at Lone Star Park July 13 when a late-rallying second in the restricted Valor Farm Stakes, made the trip here a worthwhile one when she closed from last to claim the Regret Stakes as the longest shot on the board.

Biding her time under jockey Chris Elliott, the 34-1 chance commenced her prolonged bid behind a hotly contested pace set by Disco Ebo (Weigelia) in fractions of :21.99 and :45.29. As the 3-5 favorite and Gulfstream Park shipper Intrepid Daydream (Jess's Dream) was brushed aside by both Bel Pensiero and Mia's Crusade, Reclusive went through a gap at the eighth pole and pulled away for a two-length victory.

"I was absolutely not worried about her being too far back," said winning trainer Tina Hurley. "I've had her whole family; she is the middle sister. Her older sister, Heavenly Rhythm, was a stakes winner. She would get a coffee and a hot dog along the grandstand before she decided to run and would come flying late. It was not a problem being far back to start the race because I know what kind of kick she has."

Elliott, the son of dual Classic-winning jockey Stewart, reflected fondly on his first career stakes victory, "There's no better feeling than this. My first career stakes win and at a track I used to come to all the time when I was younger. It's just unbelievable to think that it just happened."

"I was born in Red Bank and grew up in Lambertville and to get my first stakes win at Monmouth Park in my first year of riding is something I can't really put into words."

Reclusive's winning dam has also produced the SP gelding Wabel (Curlin) and the SW filly Heavenly Rhythm (Congaree), winner of the 2022 Bluebonnet Stakes at Lone Star. Her last registered offspring is the 2-year-old Honest (Paynter). Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.
IN ORDER OF PURSE:

**9th-Saratoga, $120,000, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 7-26, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23.11, ft, 3 lengths.**

**SCOTLAND (g, 4, Good Magic--Gemswick Park (GSW & GIS, $238,032), by Speightstown)** was an emphatic winner of the Curlin Stakes last summer at this venue, but had not visited the winner’s enclosure since then. On the board twice in three 2024 starts, Scotland was hustled out of the gate and tracked the early leaders from their outside in third. The danger from three off the rail and rolling outside the five-sixteenths, the 4-1 shot kicked away in upper stretch and put three lengths on Accretive (Practical Joke) by the time they hit the wire. A half-brother to Tapped (Tapit), MSP, $175,696, who most recently produced a 2024 filly by the LNJ Foxwoods part-owned Olympiad, the victor has a winning 2-year-old half-brother Grand McKinzie (McKinzie) as well as a yearling half-brother by Audible. Their dam went to Authentic for 2025 after not producing a 2024 foal on a visit to Mendelssohn. Lifetime Record: SW, 10-4-2-1, $355,135. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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

**7th-Saratoga, $110,000, Alw, 7-26, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:13.55, fm, 1/2 length.**

**BETTER BET (g, 4, Justify--Betterbetterbetter (Ire) (GSP-Ire, SP-Eng), by Galileo (Ire))** had never been off the board before his start last out May 27 against first-level allowance runners in the Big Apple debut, clipping heels not long after the jump and then later bobbling during the race, understandably finishing eighth after all the trouble.

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ACCELERATING (f, 2, Mitole--Tizjet {SP}, by Tiznow) assumed command immediately under jockey Jose Ortiz, shrugged off a persistent challenge from Miss Welch (Maclean's Music) at the three-sixteens pole and edged clear for a successful debut. Sent off as the 5-2 third choice in a field of eight New York-bred fillies, she finished 4 1/2 lengths clear of 9-5 favorite and fellow debutante Off Script (Instagrand). Accelerating, purchased by her owner for $325,000 at Fasig-Tipton's Midlantic May Two-Year-Olds In Training Sale after changing hands for $25,000 at last year’s Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred sale, became the first winner for her dam Tizjet, who finished third in Gulfstream Park’s Our Dear Peggy Stakes as a 2-year-old. Tizjet, who was hammered down to McMahon & Hill Bloodstock for $30,000 at the 2021 Keeneland November Breeding Sale while carrying Accelerating, and had a yearling filly by Central Banker who has since perished. Sales History: $25,000 Ylg ’23 SARAUG; $325,000 2yo ’24 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $49,500.

RHETORICAL (g, 3, Not This Time--Sheet Humor, by Distorted Humor) proved to be a handful for the starting crew as he reared prior to loading and then was fractious in the gate, which left him half a step behind when the gates opened. Last and under coaxing into the first bend from four wide, he impeded eventual third-place runner Hard Par (Hard Spun), which caused that rival to bobble off his heels. Advancing from there and coming six wide into the bend, he continued to drift passing the five-sixteens before coming under correction, and had taken command a furlong out. It would be give lengths back to Sebastianthe First (Demarchelier {GB}), who held on the second over Hard Par. After a jockey objection from that third place finisher and a stewards’ review, the objection was dismissed and the standing was declared official. Rhetorical is a half-brother to Sterling Silver (Cupid), MSW & MGSP, $768,551, and has a 2-year-old half-brother by Central Banker as the last registered offspring for their dam. Sales history: $320,000 Ylg ’22 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $49,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

ROYAL PERFORMANCE (g, 2, Oscar Performance--Born to Royalty, by King of Kings {Ire}), who hails from one of the most successful New Jersey families in recent years, dug in gamely to make a triumphant debut. Breaking from the outside post in a field of nine, the 6-1 fourth choice overcame a wide trip to defeat the 19-1 St. Erling (Frosted), who had eyeballed the winner inside of the eighth pole. Royal Performance edged clear of his chief foe and record a 3/4-length tally. The prolific winning dam has also foaled the Stay Thirsty-sired Pickin’ Time (GSW, $467,045), winner of the Gill 2020 Nashua Stakes at Aqueduct in 2020 and a multiple stakes winner locally, and the Kantharos gelding Royal Urn (MSW, $365,920), a two-time winner of the John J. Reilly Handicap over this track. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $39,375. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.
5th-Colonial Downs, $62,000, Msw, 7-26, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:40.83, fm, 3 1/2 lengths.

**MERRY AND BRIGHT** (f, 2, **Hard Spun**--**Make Merry**, by **Medaglia d’Oro**) was unveiled here at 8-1 odds and tracked the leaders briefly from third until they reached the far bend after :26.61 and :52.03 opening splits. Challenging those runners and taking command from the rail, she kicked away from a hard-charging **Smartest** (Karakontie {Jpn}) to win by 3 1/2 lengths. Merry and Bright is the most recent to the races for Make Merry, and is that dam’s first winner. She has a yearling half-brother by **Cairo Prince** and the 2024 foal by **Charlatan** was stillborne. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $36,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.]

O-Niall J. Brennan and Michael J. Ryan; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Michael Stidham.

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1st-Gulfstream, $43,400, Msw, 7-26, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04.46, ft, 6 1/2 lengths.

**ANDREA** (f, 2, **Thousand Words**--**Photoplay**, by **Tiznow**) debuted as the 8-5 choice here. The filly blazed to the front up the backstretch, but she was taken on around the far turn by **Neodera** (Neolithic). Dispatching her opponent at the top of the lane, the 2-year-old rolled home to graduate by 6 1/2 lengths over **Vuela Paloma** (Valiant Minister). Out of an extended female family which includes GISW **Film Maker** (Dynaformer) and MGISP Focus Group (Kitten's Joy), the winner is her unraced dam's first registered foal. Photoplay is also responsible for a yearling colt by **Basin** and a filly by **Independence Hall** who was reported Apr. 14. Andrea is the eighth winner for her first-crop sire (by **Pioneerof the Nile**). Sales History: $30,000 Ylg ‘23 KEESSEP; $105,000 2yo ‘24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $24,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.]

O-Kuehne Racing and Mark Corrado; B-Scott K. Pierce (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.

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6th-Gulfstream, $43,000, Msw, 7-26, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:45.46, ft, neck.

**NO MO CANDY** (f, 3, **Uncle Mo**--**Sweet**, by **Blame**), second by a neck at first asking June 27 at this venue on the all-weather, was supposed to be on the turf this time around but returned to familiar footing with the contest coming off the turf. Sent off at 3-5 favoritism, she was never far from the pacesetter, and quickly overtook that foe coming off the stretch to hold off **Tape Runner** (Audible) by a neck as that one came on from last. No Mo Candy is the fourth winner from as many to the races for their dam, who has also produced 2-year-old **Tongolele** (Mastery) as well as a yearling colt by Liam’s Map.

She had been due to Mo Donegal for 2024. Sales history: $80,000 Ylg ‘22 KEESSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $34,830. [Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.]

O-Abarrio Stable, LLC, Grantley Acres and Berkels0813; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-Carlos Luis Perez.
IN RUSSIA:

Mr. Rossi, c, 2, Vino Rosso--Santacafe (MSP), by Early Flyer. Kazan, 7-25, Maiden, 1200m. B-Susan Bedwell (TX). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **$27,000 Ylg ’23 FTKOCT.

FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JULY 27

**2024 Stud Fees Listed**

**Authentic** (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, $50,000
160 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Saratoga, 12:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Authentic Legend, 15-1
$375,000 KEE SEP yrl
6-Monmouth, 3:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Kai Kai, 6-1
$160,000 KEE SEP yrl
5-Del Mar, 7:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Legitimate, 7-2
$190,000 KEE SEP yrl
5-Del Mar, 7:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Sawtooth Bow, 12-1
$72,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Bobby’s Wicked One** (Speightstown), Aztec Equine
25 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
4-Colonial Downs, 3:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Show’ Em Nola, 30-1

**Game Winner** (Candy Ride (Arg)), Lane’s End Farm, $20,000
118 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-Del Mar, 7:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Game Warrior, 20-1
$52,000 KEE SEP yrl; $200,000 OBS MAR 2yo
3-Ellis, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Oy Gevald, 8-1
$200,000 KEE JAN wn; $42,000 KEE SEP yrl; $150,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Global Campaign** (Curlin), WinStar Farm, $12,500
123 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Saratoga, 3:54 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Tharhom, 4-1
$82,000 OBS WIN wn; $150,000 OBS OCT yr; $650,000 OBS APR 2yo

6-Monmouth, 3:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Unbounded Movement, 9-2
$40,000 KEE SEP yrl; $100,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Honor A. P.** (Honor Code), Lane’s End Farm, $10,000
80 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Monmouth, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Parlay for Destiny, 12-1
$60,000 FTK FEB wn; $97,000 FTK JUL yr; $30,000 OBS MAR 2yo
1-Monmouth, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Shootersgottashoot, 8-1
$30,000 KEE SEP yrl; $35,000 OBS APR 2yo
1-Saratoga, 12:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Spurgeon, 15-1
$100,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Improbable** (City Zip), WinStar Farm, $15,000
128 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Colonial Downs, 3:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Cumbia, 4-1
$37,000 KEE SEP yrl
3-Ellis, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Financial Whiz, 30-1
$35,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Instagrand** (Into Mischief), Taylor Made Farm, $7,500
135 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Ellis, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Heavenville, 6-1
$250,000 FTK NOV wn

**McKinzie** (Street Sense), Gainesway Farm, $30,000
170 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Saratoga, 3:54 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Chancer McPatrick, 4-1
$260,000 FTK JUL yr; $725,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Tiz the Law** (Constitution), Coolmore Ashford, $20,000
98 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Saratoga, 3:54 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Tiztastic, 6-1
$80,000 KEE JAN wn; $335,000 KEE SEP yrl
1-Del Mar, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Usha, 7-5
$30,000 SAR AUG yrl; $600,000 OBS APR 2yo
1-Del Mar, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, What About Q, 6-1
$50,000 KEE SEP yrl

**Vekoma** (Candy Ride (Arg)), Spendthrift Farm, $15,000
162 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Colonial Downs, 3:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Suzies Pride, 8-1
$1,500 KEE SEP yrl; $19,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo
1-Ellis, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Vixen, 5-1
$57,000 KEE JAN wn; $22,000 KEE SEP yrl; $200,000 OBS APR 2yo

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**Volatile** (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, $15,000
124 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Colonial Downs, 3:12 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Say You Love Me, 7-2
$42,000 KEE SEP yr; $45,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Win Win Win** (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Ocala Stud, $5,000
54 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Belterra, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Win Herbie Win, 4-1

**Second-Crop Starters to Watch: Saturday, July 27 2024 Stud Fees Listed**

**Audible** (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, $15,000
261 foals of racing age/57 winners/5 black-type winners
3-Ellis, 1:49 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Blake James, 9-2
$45,000 KEE SEP yr
8-Delaware, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Taboo Mischief, 3-1
$300,000 KEE SEP yr

**Catalina Cruiser** (Union Rags), Lane's End Farm, $10,000
173 foals of racing age/38 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Monmouth, 3:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, C C Girl, 12-1
6-Monmouth, 3:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Mi Bella Genio, 6-1
$20,000 KEE SEP yr; $40,000 EAS MAY 2yo
8-Delaware, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Sophie's Cruiser, 6-1
$24,000 RNA EAS OCT yr

**Enticed** (Medaglia d'Oro), Darley, $5,000
157 foals of racing age/42 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Colonial Downs, 3:42 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Enriched, 20-1
$49,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo; $45,000 RNA FTJ UNE 2yo

**Leofric** (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, $7,500
105 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners
2-Saratoga, 1:07 p.m. EDT, Msw 7f, Leo's Reward, 8-1
$40,000 EAS OCT yr

**Mitole** (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, $15,000
295 foals of racing age/72 winners/5 black-type winners
6-Monmouth, 3:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Piggy Tales Up, 4-1
$30,000 FTK OCT yr; $40,000 OBS APR 2yo
8-Monmouth, 4:14 p.m. EDT, $250K Gill Monmouth Oaks, 1 1/16m, Yes to Champagne, 6-1
$80,000 KEE NOV wnl; $40,000 KEE SEP yr

**Omaha Beach** (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, $40,000
291 foals of racing age/49 winners/6 black-type winners
1-Monmouth, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Wolf Beach, 10-1
$90,000 RNA KEE SEP yr; $15,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Redirect** (Speightstown)
20 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Charles Town, 10:02 p.m. EDT, $75K Sylvia Bishop Memorial S., 7f, Direct the Cat, 1-5

**Roman Candle (GB)** (Le Havre {Ire}), Haras de la Hetraie, €2,800
59 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
11-Del Mar, 10:08 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Bottle Rocket (Fr), 20-1

**Serengeti** (Algorithms), Bill Martin Farm
12 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Prairie Meadows, 8:16 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Savoya Return, 10-1

**World of Trouble** (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $5,000
129 foals of racing age/34 winners/1 black-type winner
9-Prairie Meadows, 10:26 p.m. EDT, $70K Iowa Stallion Futurity, 5 1/2f, My Kinda Trouble, 8-1
$3,000 KEE JAN wnl
2-Belterra, 1:05 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Trouble in Motown, 9-2
$28,000 RNA FTK OCT yr

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**Stakes Results:**

**Clasico Constitucion S.**, $54,160, Camarero, 7-25, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16m, 2:00.73, ft.
1--**Contenta y Relax**, 118, m, 6, Side Road--Othar de Atila, by Macho Uno. 1st Black Type Win. O-Punisher EGR Stable PR; B-Edwin Sanchez Beltran (PR); T-Jonathan Astacio; J-Erik Ramirez. $31,413. Lifetime Record: 46-15-10-4, $139,542.

2--**Bella Borinquen**, 120, m, 5, Hockenheim--Bella Ragazzo, by Bellamy Road. O-Guillermo Berrios; B-Pedro Augustin Lopez (PR); T-Samuel Diaz. $10,832.

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3--Cazadora Real, 116, f, 4, Galvan--Sugadadeze, by Silver Train. O-5 de Octubre PR; B-Roig LLC (PR); T-Enidsebal Torres Rodriguez. $5,416. Margins: HF, 4 3/4, HD. Odds: 2.85, 0.60, 8.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
4th-Saratoga, $116,400, (C)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 7-26, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.60, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.
TOUGH STREET (m, 5, Speightster--La Condesa, by Freud) Lifetime Record: SP, 20-7-17-3, $487,147. O-Michael J. Caruso and Michael Dubb; B-Cheryl Prudhomme & Dr. Michael Gallivan (NY); T-Chad C. Brown. *$22,000 Wlg '19 FTNMIX; $37,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT.

5th-Woodbine, C$88,686, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm ($34,838-$36,672), 7-25, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT) (off turf), 1:09.73, ft, 3 lengths.
I'M A GAMBLER (IRE) (g, 5, No Nay Never--We Are Ninety (IRE) (SW-Eng), by Thewayyouare) Lifetime Record: SW-Eng, 35-10-4-4, $359,070. O-Red Baron's Barn LLC; B-Fullbury Ltd (IRE); T-Kevin Attard. *i72,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV; 47,000 Ylg '20 GOFOR; 850,000gns 3yo '22 TATAHI.

10th-Colonial Downs, $87,125, (S), 7-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.87, yl, 1 1/2 lengths.
MIRARI (f, 4, Uncle Mo--Chat (SP), by Dynaformer) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, $119,138. O-Augustin Stables; B-George Strawbridge, Jr (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas. *1/2 to Lilac Girl (Quality Road), SP, $221,794.

5th-Del Mar, $78,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm ($20,000), 7-25, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57.71, fm, 1/2 length.
BABY KRISTEN (m, 5, Cat Burglar--Shared Image, by Rocky Bar) Lifetime Record: 24-10-4-1, $239,605. O-Blackchip Stables, Rooster Coup Racing, Michael Archibald, Chris Carpenter, and Biull McLean; B-Robert Traynor (CA); T-Bill McLean. *$9,000 RNA Ylg '20 FTCAYR.

6th-Penn National, $36,000, (S), 7-25, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.27, ft, neck.
SKIMBLE SHANKS (g, 5, Friesan Fire--Pivoting, by Afleet Alex) Lifetime Record: 32-5-5-1, $123,573. O-Blackchip Stables, Rooster Coup Racing, Michael Archibald, Chris Carpenter, and Biull McLean; B-Robert Traynor (CA); T-Bill McLean. *$9,000 RNA Ylg '19 FTCAYR.

6th-Town, $28,400, (S), 7-25, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.89, ft, neck.
MOONLIT KISS (f, 3, Great Notion--Moonlit Song (MSW, $404,840), by Fiber Sonde) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, $38,517. O-Grams Racing Stable LLC; B-Timothy C. & Judith A. Grams (WV); T-Timothy C. Grams.

4th-Charles Town, $27,400, 7-26, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.90, ft, 1/2 length.
FILTERED LIGHT (f, 4, Malibu Moon--Leafy Shade (IRE) (MSP-Ire, SP-USA), by New Approach (IRE)) Lifetime Record: 23-4-3-4,
Play Free Bird, f, 3, Maximus Mischief--Stormy Saturday, by Stormy Atlantic. Saratoga, 7-26, (S), (C), 5 1/2fT, 1:02.91. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-0, $38,490. B-Saratoga Glen Farm LLC & Beals Racing Stable LLC (NY). *$25,000 Ylg '22 KEESAN; $45,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESED; $47,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR; $10,000 3yo '24 TFDAPR.


American Glory (GB), c, 3, Zarak (Fr)--Zegna (Ger), by Shirocco (Ger). Del Mar, 7-25, 1mT, 1:35.17. Lifetime Record: 9-1-3-1, $75,624. B-Graf Und Grafin Stauffenberg (GB). *55,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE; 60,000gns RNA Ylg '22 TATOCT; 65,000gns 2yo '23 TATAHI.

Bay Boss, g, 4, Stay Thirsty--Donita's Ruler (SW, $462,719), by Roman Ruler. Canterbury, 7-25, 6f, 1:11.71. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, $27,615. B-Terry C. Lovingier (CA). *$7,000 Ylg '21 FTCAYR.

Compass Rises, f, 4, Tale of Ekati--Flawless Kid, by Lemon Drop Kid. Laurel, 7-26, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:41.95. Lifetime Record: 11-1-3-0, $55,670. B-Charles Fipke (KY). *$6,500 Ylg '21 FTKOCT.

Yockey’s Drivethru, g, 4, Yockey’s Warrior--Skyline Drive, by Quality Road. Evangeline Downs, 7-25, (S), 7f, 1:25.64. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-2, $51,110. B-Stewart M. Madison & Stephen J. Landry (LA).

Band Leader, g, 5, Bandbox--Aponi, by Indian Charlie. Colonial Downs, 7-26, (S), (C), 5 1/2fT, 1:03.45. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, $43,250. B-Leslie Mills (MD). *$1,000 Wlg '19 EASDEC; $14,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT.

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Aldrin, Papa Linguine, g, 3, o/o Mom's Raviolis, by Tale of the Cat. ALW, 7-25, Charles Town

Bandbox, Band Leader, g, 5, o/o Aponi, by Indian Charlie. MCL, 7-26, Colonial Downs

Big Brown, Royal Browne, g, 3, o/o Mom's Kisses, by Willcox Inn. MCL, 7-26, Saratoga

Cat Burglar, Baby Kristen, m, 5, o/o Shared Image, by Rocky Bar. AOC, 7-25, Del Mar

Flat Out, Reclusive, m, 5, o/o Rockintootherhythm, by Broad Brush. Regret S., 7-26, Monmouth

Friesan Fire, Skimble Shanks, g, 5, o/o Pivoting, by Afleet Alex. ALW, 7-25, Penn National

Good Magic, Scotland, g, 4, o/o Gemswick Park, by Speightstown. AOC, 7-26, Saratoga

Great Notion, Moonlit Kiss, f, 3, o/o Moonlit Song, by Fiber Sonde. ALW, 7-25, Charles Town

Gun Runner, World Record, c, 3, o/o Marwa (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). GII Amsterdam S., 7-26, Saratoga

Hard Spun, Merry and Bright, f, 2, o/o Make Merry, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 7-26, Colonial Downs

Irish War Cry, Richie's Valentine, f, 3, o/o What's Up (Ire), by Dylan Thomas (Ire). MSW, 7-26, Monmouth

Justify, Better Bet, g, 4, o/o Betterbetterbetter (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). ALW, 7-26, Saratoga
Malibu Moon, Filtered Light, f, 4, o/o Leafy Shade (Ire), by New Approach (Ire). ALW, 7-26, Penn National

Maximus Mischief, Play Free Bird, f, 3, o/o Stormy Saturday, by Stormy Atlantic. MCL, 7-26, Saratoga

Midnight Lute, Midnight Mammoth, g, 5, o/o Taker Home, by Vindication. GII Cougar II S., 7-25, Del Mar

Mitole, Accelerating, f, 2, o/o Tizjet, by Tiznow. MSW, 7-26, Saratoga

Mshawish, Ground Control, f, 3, o/o Cayman Kai, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 7-25, Evangeline

No Nay Never, I'm A Gambler (Ire), g, 5, o/o We Are Ninety (Ire), by Thewayyouare. AOC, 7-25, Woodbine

Not This Time, Rhetorical, g, 3, o/o Sheet Humor, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 7-26, Saratoga

Oscar Performance, Royal Performance, g, 2, o/o Born to Royalty, by King of Kings (Ire). MSW, 7-26, Monmouth

Run Away and Hide, Hidewright Away, f, 4, o/o Union Et Force (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. ALW, 7-25, Charles Town

Side Road, Contenta Y Relax, m, 6, o/o Othar de Atila, by Macho Uno. GI Clasico Constitucion S., 7-25, Camarero

Speightster, Tough Street, m, 5, o/o La Condesa, by Freud. AOC, 7-26, Saratoga

Stay Thirsty, Bay Boss, g, 4, o/o Donita’s Ruler, by Roman Ruler. MSW, 7-25, Canterbury

Tale of Ekati, Compass Rises, f, 4, o/o Flawless Kid, by Lemon Drop Kid. MCL, 7-26, Laurel

Thousand Words, Andrea, f, 2, o/o Photoplay, by Tiznow. MSW, 7-26, Gulfstream

Uncle Mo, Mirari, f, 4, o/o Chat, by Dynaformer. ALW, 7-25, Colonial Downs

Uncle Mo, No Mo Candy, f, 3, o/o Sweet, by Blame. MSW, 7-26, Gulfstream

Yockey’s Warrior, Yockey’s Drivethru, g, 4, o/o Skyline Drive, by Quality Road. MSW, 7-25, Evangeline

Yoshida (Jpn), Coco Abarrio, f, 2, o/o Rattataptap, by Tapit. MSW, 7-26, Gulfstream

Zarak (Fr), American Glory (GB), c, 3, o/o Zegna (Ger), by Shirocco (Ger). MSW, 7-25, Del Mar