



HARTY RESORTS TO FIRST PRINCIPLES



Eoin Harty | Sarah Andrew

by Chris McGrath

Horses long ago tutored Eoin Harty in the kind of coincidences that defy rational explanation, as we'll discover when reaching the story of Well Armed. But losing both parents inside a week, in February, was maybe not quite as bewildering as it may seem. As Harty says himself, after 66 happy years together, perhaps the reason his father followed his mother so quickly was not so much a heart attack, as a broken heart.

As a fifth-generation trainer, Harty owed not just personal but professional formation to his Irish genes. Much of the lore passed down by his father Eddie, the only Olympian also to win the Grand National, will have dated back to "Boss" Harty in the 1880s.

"My dad taught me so many nuances," Harty recalls. "You had to look at everything: their ears, their eyes, the space between their eyes, what shape their head is, how they carry their tail; stuff most people wouldn't even think about."

If horses were his principal bond with his father, if anything Harty had a more elementary affinity with his mother Patricia. "A wonderful person," he says gratefully. "Very quiet lady, but very articulate, with a great sense of humor. She could turn her hand to anything: play an instrument, paint a picture, whip up a dinner. We had an awful lot in common: whenever I went home [to Ireland] we'd spend the whole week sitting at the kitchen table, just talking."

Cont. p3

Q&A: RAMON A. DOMINGUEZ ON HIS NEW ROLE HELPING JOCKEYS SUCCEED IN SECOND CAREERS by T.D. Thornton


A three-time Eclipse Award-winning jockey and a member of the National Museum of Racing's Hall of Fame, Ramón A. Domínguez has been retired since 2013, when he suffered a traumatic brain injury in a racing accident. He has since devoted his time to helping causes like the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund and New York Race Track Chaplaincy, and he was instrumental in the introduction of the 360 Gentle Touch Riding Crop, a modernized and more humane version of the traditional whip.

After the initial recovery from his accident, Domínguez was devastated about missing the routine and everyday moments that made up his day as a jockey. Initially, he wanted to stay away from the racetrack. But at the urging of his family, he returned, and one visit led to another. "Now I love coming to the track," Domínguez told TDN in a 2019 profile. **Cont. p6**

IN TDN EUROPE TODAY

'A RESPONSIBILITY TO THE NEXT GENERATION'


Emma Berry speaks to National Stud CEO Anna Kerr following the launch of the Young Professionals Bloodstock Network.



CALUMET
Farm

LEXITONIAN

Speightstown - Riviera Romper, by Tapit



SIRE OF (G2) DAVONA DALE WINNER
SHE BE SMOOTH
(2/28/26)

SIRE OF LIFETIME 40% WINNERS / STARTERS
(G1) WINNING SON OF SPEIGHTSTOWN

Eddie Kane | Eddie@CalumetFarm.com | 859.621.0467

PUBLISHER & CEO

Sue Morris Finley @suefinley
suefinley@thetdn.com

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Gary King @garykingTDN
garyking@thetdn.com

EDITORIAL

editor@thetdn.com

Editor-in-Chief

Jessica Martini @JessMartiniTDN

Senior Contributing Editor

Alan Carasso @EquinealTDN

Senior Racing Editor

Steve Sherack @SteveSherackTDN

Senior Editor & Staff Training Supervisor

Christina Bossinakis @CBossTDN

Assistant Editor

Jill Williams @JillWilliamsTDN

Staff Writers

Patrycja Szpyra @QueenOfSuites

Stefanie Grimm @SGrimmTDN

J.N. Campbell @campbellparlay

News and Features Editor

In Memoriam: Ben Massam (1988-2019)

ADVERTISING

tdnadstaff@gmail.com

Director of Advertising

Alycia Borer

Advertising Manager

Lia Best

Senior Advertising Designer

Amanda Crelin

Advertising Designer

Amie Newcomb

Advertising Assistant/Dir. of Distribution

Liz Fronczek

Advertising Assistant

Justin Fowler

Chief Photographer/Photo Editor

Sarah K. Andrew @SarahKAndrew
photos@thetdn.com

Senior Producer

Katie Petrunyak

Social Media Manager

Sara Gordon

Director of Customer Service

Vicki Forbes | customerservice@thetdn.com

Business Development Manager

Alayna Cullen Birkett @AlaynaCullen

Chief Financial Officer

Ray Villa
rayvilla@thetdn.com | accounting@thetdn.com

WORLDWIDE INFORMATION

Chief Correspondent

Emma Berry | emmaberry@thetdn.com

Managing Editor

Heather Anderson @HLAndersonTDN

European Sales Editor

Brian Sheerin @BrianSheerin91

Deputy European Editor

Adam Houghton @hought94

Cafe Racing

Sean Cronin & Tom Frary
caferacing@thetdn.com

60 Broad Street, Suite 105 | Red Bank, NJ 07701
732-747-8060 | www.TheTDN.com

Thursday, May 21, 2026



Hall of Famer Ramón A. Domínguez, now seeking to help jockeys succeed in second careers, wins the 2011 GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic at Churchill Downs aboard Get Stormy (Stormy Atlantic). | Horsephotos

7 | STEPHEN FOSTER PURSE DOUBLED TO \$2 MILLION

The purse for the 45th running of Churchill Downs's marquee race for older horses, the Grade I Stephen Foster on Saturday, June 27, has been doubled from \$1 million to \$2 million. This summer's edition is being billed as the "Summer Showdown."

8 | LISA LAZARUS JOINS THE TDN WRITERS' ROOM PODCAST

To discuss the recent Lasix decision, another drop in the number of fatalities, the controversies surrounding why so many pre-race vet reviews are leading to scratches, the HERF initiative and more, HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus dropped by this week's TDN Writers' Room Podcast presented by Keeneland.



PA PAYS!

\$23 MILLION
IN BREEDER INCENTIVES
PAID IN 2025

WARRIOR'S REWARD LLC
\$891,519.50

UPTOWNCHARLYBROWN STUD LLC
\$699,777.85

PENNSYLVANIA HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
PABRED.COM #PABRED ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Eoin Harty, cont. from p1

Her time had evidently come, but Harty's father was a marvel for 88.

"The day after her funeral, he was almost bizarrely well, mentally and physically," Harty recalls. "Yet next day, I found him the shadow of the man I'd left a few hours before--and he was dead within the hour. But both had very fulfilling lives. I don't think they were cheated out of anything."

His double bereavement came even as Harty was adjusting to a radical change in his life across the water. Having trained for so many years in California, he had decided to face facts and base his string in Kentucky.

"I made the decision based solely on what was best for my career," he explains. "It's very unfortunate, but looking at all the markers, the writing was on the wall for California. A friend of mine won the Santa Barbara Stakes the other day: an iconic grass race, won by some of the great fillies and mares as a Grade I. Now it's just Listed. When I first went out there, Hollywood Park was getting 30,000-plus, midweek. But only a diehard Californian will be staying out there now, when you can run for three times the purses here. And while I wouldn't say I opened the floodgates, a lot of others have left since, with probably more to come. Even [Bob] Baffert has left town, to a point."

There is a heartening continuity, however, with the return to

training of First Resort (Uncle Mo), last seen winning the GI Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes in November 2024.

"If you have a barn full of talent, you can afford to lose one every now and again," Harty reflects. "But I just don't have that depth. So horses like that are a real godsend, and sorely missed. He had a very small fracture of his hock that refused to heal, but he's back now and looks fantastic. He's matured and I can't wait to get him back going."

Even without his services, Harty has only once accumulated more domestic prize money than he did in 2025: \$2.3 million from just 156 starts, at a win ratio of 19 percent. Others meanwhile thriving include Golden Sunshine (Medaglia d'Oro) and First Resort's half-sister Hen Party (Into Mischief), both fresh from flying finishes for their first graded stakes placings. As already intimated, however, Harty operates on a different plane from the so-called "super trainers" who spread themselves across different time zones. While making no judgment on those programs, or their patrons, Harty would never be comfortable--nor so fulfilled--without routinely having hands on every horse.

"For me, if you want to get the best out of a horse you need that intimate relationship," he says. "You just see so many things, literally from walking round the barn, constantly watching what's going on; those little observations that can make all the difference." **Cont.**

NEW FOR 2026

CARL SPACKLER
Lope de Vega (IRE) - Zindaya, by More Than Ready

THE ULTIMATE GREENSKEEPER

3X G1W | EARNINGS: \$1,944,331

G1 FOURSTARDAVE H. 106 Beyer	G1 MAKER'S MARK MILE S. 104 Beyer
G1 TURF MILE S. 102 Beyer	BY LEADING EUROPEAN SIRE LOPE DE VEGA

CLICK TO WATCH HIS STALLION VIDEO PODCAST
featuring Jonathon Kinchen, Bob Edwards, Chad Brown, Tyler Gaffalione, etc.



Fee: \$15,000
lanesend.com
t: 859.873.7300

Eoin Harty, cont.

In a career that has transcended many frontiers, migrating to the Midwest actually feels a relatively trifling transition. For a long time, Harty was virtually commuting to Dubai to supervise young stock for Godolphin. Before that, as assistant to Baffert, he handled the third winner of the G1 Dubai World Cup; and later saddled the 14th in his own right. Throughout Harty has maintained an equilibrium between an easygoing personal style and a work ethic that makes him one of few American trainers who reliably attends the yearling sales.

With his longstanding connections to Godolphin, at any given time he might only be housing a couple of dozen horses for other patrons. But he still puts in the legwork, with unfailing enthusiasm. "I love looking at horses, period," he stresses. "And then going back over my notes over the next



Silver Charm with Michael Blowen | Sarah Andrew

couple of years, to see where I dropped the ball! But I learned from the best. Bob didn't start off with the money he has now. He just has an innate feeling for an athlete. He'd just be sitting out there with the cowboys, spot something, jump off that back wall and buy it.

"Thirty Slews was the first horse he bought at the September Sale. He was sweating bullets to find the people to cover the \$30,000, and then he goes and wins the Breeders' Cup Sprint. Then a few years later he's buying Real Quiet for \$17,000. In my opinion, that's what separates him from the rest. And I like to think a little bit of that rubbed off on me. I wouldn't say I have the same eye, but I kept my mouth shut and watched what was getting off that van every year."

Baffert had just 13 horses when Harty began his eight years on the team. It was Silver Charm's 1998 success in Dubai that doubtless drew Godolphin's attention to Baffert's lean, energetic assistant with a bottomless pedigree in the Irish Turf. **Cont.**

CONTRIBUTE

NTRA ¼% CHECK-OFF PROGRAM

Blazing sunshine, summer-like temperatures and competitive bidding defined the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Two-Year-Olds in Training sale in Timonium.

Did you successfully add an exciting prospect to your stable this week in Maryland? If so, we ask you to contribute to the NTRA's Check-off Program when paying for your purchase. Widespread industry support of the Check-off Program helps the NTRA achieve results on Capitol Hill, like reinstatement of 100% bonus depreciation.

Contributors to the Program become eligible to save on products and services from NTRA Equine Discounts partners like John Deere, Sherwin-Williams, Big Ass Fans and others.

HELP US HELP HORSE RACING IN D.C.



For more information, contact Joe Bacigalupo at joeb@ntra.com



Eoin Harty, cont.

"I loved Silver Charm," Harty enthuses. "I loved him because of his humble pedigree. I loved him because of his outlook. He was lazy, only did what he had to do, but did it so well. And he had, not a mean streak, but a macho one--a trait I enjoy. He had three different horses take a shot at him in that long stretch, and saw them off one at a time."

It was in Dubai the following year that Harty met Bill Casner, who sent him four Tiznow juveniles when he opened a public stable. (That first batch included Colonel John, winner of the GI Travers in 2008.) Harty always loved Tiznow: he had been assistant to John Russell when his sire and dam, Cee's Tizzy and Cee's Song, were stabled in adjacent stalls at Hollywood Park, where his wife Kathy galloped them both. And it turned out that Tiznow's 2003 crop included a colt born on what should have been the 24th birthday of Casner's daughter Karri, killed in the Bali nightclub bombing the previous year.

His name was Well Armed, and he seemed to have reached the end of the road when breaking his pelvis. "Everybody's telling Bill that the humane thing to do is to put this horse down," Harty recalls. "But this was his last link to his daughter, this horse born on her birthday. So he brings him back to Texas and rehabs the horse himself."

One day Casner rang and told Harty that he was sending him an old gelding. Everybody would tell him that he was a lost cause, but he wanted Harty to make up his own mind.

"Well, there's varying degrees of lost cause in this business," Harty reflects. "And when you're a trainer, you never know where any horse might take you."

Harty deployed his strongest help to semi-wrestle the horse into 30 days of cantering until one day letting him go from the quarter-pole.

"So :26 would have been ideal," Harty continues. "But by the time he pulls him up, he's done five-eighths in a minute and the outrider's chasing them."

As a 6-year-old, Well Armed won the World Cup by an impossible 14 lengths. Still more impossible, however, had been the way three young women happened to sit alongside Susan Casner and Harty at the midweek party.

"Maybe there are 3,000 people there," Harty recalled. "These

girls sit down and we get talking. And it turned out that they had been traveling with Karri in Bali, and had been the first to alert Bill and Susan that their daughter was potentially a victim. What are the chances of that? You hate to sound zany, but I always think that that was Karri's way of saying, 'Dad, I got this.'"

Doing what he did with a heavy-topped, knock-kneed gelding was miracle enough. It certainly showed that Harty, long confined to educating juveniles, can turn his hand to any type.

Did immersion within a massive project conceivably hold back Harty's career? He scoffs at that suggestion.

"Initially the mandate was that when they turned three, you would turn them over and get a fresh batch," he recalls. "And everybody wanted me to say, 'Oh, it's horrible giving up these horses.' When in reality I loved it. Training 2-year-olds is the greatest part of this business: finding and developing talent, seeing them go on and prove you right or wrong. That first day you worked them, every spring, was like Christmas. And it still feels that way today."

In the end, every horse is a team project--and Harty, unmistakably, is a team player.

"I'm extremely fortunate to train for Godolphin," he says passionately. "Everybody knows their role, nobody's more important than anybody else. You get this real team spirit, and it's nurtured from the top down. You're just glad to be part of it."

Nowadays, of course, he can see the process through anyway.

"I have the best of all possible worlds," Harty agrees. "While I don't have a ton of owners, the ones I have are very good and send me quality horses. If the talent's in there, I have the belief in myself that I'll get it out of them."

Having first arrived as a teenager, Harty feels an eternal debt to Dr. Michael Osborne for opening his horizons.

"I'm not at the end of my career, but I'm closer to the end than the beginning," he says. "And I've just been very, very lucky. I've met some wonderful people in this business, leading to lifetime friendships. And, at the end of the day, I think that's even more important than what races you won or didn't."



Well Armed | Sarah Andrew

Share this story 



Bookmark this tab

<http://www.thoroughbreddailynews.com/getLatest.php>
to download the latest edition of the TDN each day.

Ramón A. Domínguez, cont. from p1

"Not only to watch the races, but also to see and visit the people that have become like family."

Last month, Domínguez, now 49, added another project to his inspiring list of advocacy and wellness initiatives: He's the executive director of the newly created **Jockeys' Guild Education Foundation (JGEF)**, which will be dedicated to the educational empowerment of professional riders. Through scholarships, personalized academic guidance, and practical skills training, JGEF will aim to give jockeys tools to build financial security and employment opportunities during and after their riding careers.

TDN recently spoke to Domínguez to learn more about this new role and his vision for JGEF. An edited transcript follows.

TDN: Please start by telling us about the reception JGEF has received from the industry since the Apr. 21 press release announcing its launch.

RD: The one thing we realized is that timing-wise it was difficult just because our announcement coincided with the week leading to the Kentucky Derby. People were like, "Beautiful, great initiative. But let me get back to you after the Derby."

Now that the Derby is behind us, we have a plan to actually go to some racetracks and meet not only with the jockeys to have focus groups and talk about this, but also to talk with different groups within the sport, like the HBPA or other organizations, who ultimately will be able to support this program, or to support us in the process of bringing this to the jockeys.

Right now, we're about to send out a survey to all of the jockeys' rooms. Just with our press release about the program being rolled out, there were a handful of jockeys who reached out via email, saying, "I'm interested, I want to know more." So, that was very good to see.



Ramón Domínguez | RTCA photo

TDN: What have the jockeys been asking about?

RD: The responses have been really anything from, "I'm definitely interested" to "Tell me more. What options are available?"

For example, we had one jockey who was specifically interested in a job in welding. He wanted to know if there was any way he could take some classes or courses, and our answer is "Yes!" So it's great, because not only there is an interest in doing something, or preparing, in some cases, for a Plan B, but there are some jockeys who already have in mind what is it that they would like to do, and that makes the process easier for us in terms of facilitating the pathway. It's helping our jockeys to discover in what area they'll be able to thrive.

I think if we had to put all the jockeys in one group, I think that overall, they will be able to do very well in something that is hands-on. Because our profession as jockeys is so physically demanding that I think, given the good and the bad, we are really accustomed to thriving in that type of environment where we have to just go, go, go and do things with our hands. So I think that there are many of those types of fields where jockeys will be able to do something great with their hands.

TDN: You've said that when you had to retire because of your injury, it was at first difficult. But then you adopted a mentality of "One chapter is closing in my life, but another is opening." Other jockeys might be contemplating career changes without--thankfully--having to endure a career-ending injury. Are there still parallels to coming up with an effective exit strategy?

RD: Either way, it's not easy. When I retired, I didn't really know exactly what I wanted to do. You have to know that you will be able to overcome that initial, really big, obstacle of coming to terms that you're no longer going to do what you have done for many years that you were really very proud of and that you put your heart and soul into.

There is this separation of an identity that we created. And the process really is different for every jockey. That's because you have to really come to the understanding that you're no longer going to ride.

There can be this [and here Domínguez pauses to choose the right word] "unhealthy" identity with the profession. And that's really easy to understand, because, again, we are just so focused on what we do. But at the same time, it's great when one realizes, "I can do many other things, not just ride horses."

Since my retirement, I have interacted with so many different jockeys who have retired for various reasons. Some of them by their own choice, some of them not. And you do see that with athletes from other sports. **Cont.**

Ramón A. Domínguez, cont.

I think it's very consistent to say that no matter what the reason is for one's retirement, when you are an athlete, it is always difficult at first.

But at the end of the day, it's awesome to know that I'm not just limited to riding racehorses. I can do something else. That is the reality. But in theory, it sounds better than in practice, because the other part of the equation, so to speak, is that we feel like we don't have the necessary tools to do something else.

TDN: How do you aim to help jockeys along that path?

RD: The support is so, so key. I received support from my family and friends. And in this case, JGEF will be an extended source of support for the jockeys to be able to decipher what is it that they want to do.

We have an incredible board that I feel so, so good about. Because when we have meetings and Zoom sessions to talk about any topic, I realize that there is this incredible level of experience and expertise outside the sport being offered by people who are successful working with many not-for-profit initiatives, and who have a good understanding and care about our industry.

We have a very amazing team where there will be some positive synergy created that will be able to really be able to maximize our efforts.

I'm so glad that **professor Gabrielle Kuenzli** [the JGEF's academic coordinator, who has done specialized historical research related to Latino jockeys] will be able to help all these jockeys through this process. She's brilliant. She speaks Spanish, which is really helpful.

I think that these conversations will be so valuable, because it's not like, "Okay, this is available to you, take advantage if you want or not." If that was the case, it's going to be a failure. But we're here to really work alongside the jockeys and help them from the beginning to the end.

TDN: If you have your crystal ball fired up, please look into the future and tell me what JGEF will have accomplished a year or two from now.

RD: It's amazing that this opportunity is going to be there for the jockeys. But it comes along with some challenges. This is all new to the jockeys. And it's even new to us who are part of the board managing this organization.

I don't even want to put a number on how many jockeys will take advantage of the program. But it's not going to be huge the first year, because there may be a little bit of doubt as to, "Can I do this?"



Ramón A. Domínguez | Horsephotos

Being able to have some success stories, I think that that will have a ripple effect. I do feel very confident that after this first year, there will be some awesome stories that we can share from the successes that we have, when possible. And I say "when possible" because we also want to respect a jockey's confidentiality if they would rather not have their stories publicized.

But at the end of the day, we all will learn from this, and the word will get out about the jockeys who have gone through the programs, who are taking some classes. And I think the second year, most likely, there will be doubling in terms of the jockeys that will be taking advantage of this.

So I'm not really answering the question directly. It's not black-and-white in my opinion. But I do think that having a couple dozen of jockeys taking advantage of this, to me, would be a success.

[Share this story](#)

'SUMMER SHOWDOWN' PURSE FOR GI STEPHEN FOSTER DOUBLED TO \$2 MILLION

The purse for Churchill Downs's marquee race for older horses, the Grade I Stephen Foster on Saturday, June 27, has been doubled from \$1 million to \$2 million, according to a press release from the track on Wednesday.

Billed as the "Summer Showdown," the 45th running of the 1 1/8-mile dirt race for 4-year-olds--which is part of the Breeders' Cup 'Win and You're In' Challenge Series--will be broadcast on NBCSN and Peacock from 4:30-6:30 p.m. (all times Eastern).

Cont.



Find us on Instagram
[@thoroughbred_daily_news](#)

Stephen Foster purse, cont.

Five of the world's elite dirt horses have already expressed interest in running in this year's Stephen Foster: reigning Horse of the Year and 2024 GI Kentucky Derby winner **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief) (10-6-3-0, \$6,079,050) and GI Pennsylvania Derby winner **Baeza (McKinzie)** (10-2-3-3, \$1,717,200) from the barn of trainer Bill Mott; GI Dubai World Cup winner **Magnitude (Not This Time)** (13-7-2-1, \$8,544,365) for trainer Steve Asmussen; and recent GII Oaklawn Handicap winner **White Abarrio** (Race Day) (26-11-3-3, \$8,445,170) and GI Pegasus World Cup winner **Skippylongstocking** (Exaggerator) (38-14-4-7, \$5,893,650) for trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr.



Sovereignty | Sarah Andrew

“Stephen Foster Day has grown tremendously over the last several years attracting some of the world's best horses, and this purse boost helps solidify our closing weekend as a must-see premier racing event,” President of Churchill Downs Racetrack Mike Anderson said. “Firmly positioned in late June with lucrative prize money on the line, the Stephen Foster is an ideal summertime race for the best Thoroughbreds to compete at historic Churchill Downs. We truly believe horsemen and women, as well as horse racing fans around the world, will enthusiastically respond to this Summer Showdown.”

All-sources wagering for last year's Stephen Foster Day was an event record \$20.7 million, up \$1.9 million or 10% from the 2024 Stephen Foster card that handled \$18.8 million.

In addition to the two-hour broadcast on NBCSN and Peacock, FanDuel TV will televise the entire Stephen Foster Day program, which features seven stakes events on the 12-race program that begins at 12:45 p.m.

Nominations for the Stephen Foster close Wednesday, June 10. Owners will pay \$20,000 to enter and \$20,000 to start, which equates to 2% of the total purse.

First prize is 53% of the purse--estimated at more than \$1 million--after 1.5% percent is paid to each of the sixth through last place finishers. Second place will receive 22.5%, third at 12.5%, fourth at 7% and fifth at 5%.

[Share this story](#)

LISA LAZARUS JOINS THE TDN WRITERS' ROOM PODCAST PRESENTED BY KEENELAND

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) was back in the news earlier this month when the HISA Board of Directors ruled that there would be no change to the status quo when it came to the rules regarding Lasix. That decision came after HISA commissioned a number of studies to look into the effects of the medication.

To discuss the Lasix decision, another drop in the number of fatalities, the controversies surrounding why so many pre-race vet reviews are leading to scratches, the HERF initiative and more, HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus dropped by this week's *TDN Writers' Room Podcast* presented by **Keeneland**. She was the **Gainesway Guest of the Week**.

Was this a matter of science winning the day?

“One of the things that was so important when we actually appointed people to that committee was that nobody had a political agenda,” Lazarus said. “The goal was, what is the right outcome for the industry? And we've got to do these certain things that are laid out in the statute to answer these questions. So we're going to do our job and take it very seriously. And they did take it very seriously. The science was really interesting.”

Along the way, a conclusion was reached: if the Lasix rules are working, why blow them up? **Cont.**



Lisa Lazarus | The Jockey Club

Play Video

Writers' Room podcast, cont.

“The best interest of racing is another component,” Lazarus said. “The business, the social license, all of those things are things that have to be considered by the board. So everyone took it extremely seriously, as you can imagine. There was obviously a lot of concern within the industry that this would go away or that wouldn't go away. And ultimately, the board taking all of those factors into consideration felt that the system we had was working and that there was no reason to disturb that system.”

In HISA's latest quarterly report, it was announced that the number of fatalities per one-thousand starters had dropped again, and was down to .95.

“When it comes to the fatality rate, we always want to do better,” Lazarus said. “Obviously, and with time and with better technology and better data analysis, we will be able to continue the trend. But the number of horses that we lose is not a massive percentage, it's a very small percentage of the overall number of horses that raced. So it's very hard at those numbers to bring the percentage down that dramatically or consistently bring it down that dramatically. So for me, staying around one is a really good benchmark.”

The “Fastest Horse of the Week” was Navajo Warrior (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), who earned a 101 Beyer when winning the GIII Pimlico Special. The Fastest Horse of the Week segment is sponsored by **WinStar, which stands the sire Two Phil's**.

Elsewhere on the podcast, which is also sponsored by the **PHBA, 1/ST TV, and West Point Thoroughbreds**, Randy Moss, Bill Finley, and Zoe Cadman reviewed last week's GI Preakness Stakes. On his NBC television gig, Moss picked Napoleon Solo (**Liam's Map**). They also looked at a veteran who is a rising star as Burnham Square (**Liam's Map**) won the GIII Louisville Stakes. The team also delved into Peter Brant's decision to take horses away from Chad Brown and new reports that linked the Ortiz brothers to cockfighting.

Click [here](#) to watch the Writers' Room podcast, and [here](#) to listen to the program.

[Share this story](#) 



NATIONAL RULINGS MAY 14-20

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

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

Resolved ADMC Violations

Dates: 05/18/2026

Licensee: Teresa Marie Pompay, trainer

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

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Methocarbamol--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from Neck of Cairo, who won at Tampa Bay on 4/10/26.



Hooves on dirt | Sarah Andrew

Dates: 05/14/2026

Licensee: Darien Rodriguez, trainer

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

Explainer: Violation for the breach of rule 3313, the "Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance during the Race Period," pertaining to the horse Bravo Kitten on 2/12/26.

According to the **case resolution**, on February 12 the date Bravo Kitten was entered to run in Race 8 at Tampa Bay Downs, Rodriguez was observed "walking out of the stall of the Covered Horse with an empty dose syringe that had a light buttery yellow color residue inside, and he admitted administering that substance to Bravo Kitten."

Cont.

Dates: 05/14/2026

Licensee: Randy Matthews, trainer

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

Explainer: Vets' list medication violation for the presence of Methocarbamol--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from Centeya on 4/9/26.

Dates: 05/14/2026

Licensee: Stephen Trevino, trainer

Penalty: 7-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on May 15, 2026; 30-day additional period of Ineligibility for Covered Person for the accumulation of 6 Penalty Points, beginning on May 22, 2026; Disqualification of any results obtained for any related participation in violation of a prior period of Ineligibility, specifically the Disqualification of the Race Results obtained by Fatih on 10/27/25, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Final decision of internal adjudication panel.

Explainer: Violation of rule 3329(a), concerning the "Status During Provisional Suspension or Ineligibility While serving a Provisional Suspension or period of Ineligibility for a Controlled Medication Rule Violation."

According to the [final ruling by an internal adjudication panel](#), Trevino served a seven-day suspension that began on Oct. 22.

On Oct. 27, representatives from HISA and HIWU met Trevino at his Mahoning Valley barn and told him his horse, Fatih, could participate in a race that day as the horse had been entered prior to his period of ineligibility, but that Trevino could not "participate in any activities related to any Covered Horse," according to the IAP ruling.

"Respondent stated that he understood the restrictions and Trainer Ricardo Bailey saddled Fatih for Respondent before the 4th race," the ruling states.

Later that day, however, "Fatih participated in and won the 4th race at Mahoning Valley," and Trevino "retrieved Fatih from the racing surface and accompanied the horse to the Winner's Circle. Respondent participated in the win photo following the 4th race," the final ruling states, thereby breaching the parameters of his suspension.

While the HIWU website lists only Fatih as the "covered horse" in question for this particular sanction, the IAP's final ruling states that Trevino had violated his "period of ineligibility" multiple times during that seven-day period, including with other horses.

Dates: 05/13/2026

Licensee: Jeffrey O. Skerrett, trainer

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

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Phenylbutazone--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from Vladislav, who finished fourth at Mahoning Valey on 3/16/26.

Pending ADMC Violations

05/20/2026, Satchell S. Stevens, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Phenylbutazone--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from Derby Day, who finished second at Will Rogers on 4/21/26.

05/20/2026, Moises Yanez, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a class B controlled substance--in a sample taken from Kid Kaos, who did not finish the seventh race at Tampa Bay on 4/18/26. According to Equibase, the horse was pulled up entering the stretch and ambulated off.

05/20/2026, Fidencio Jimenez, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Flunixin and Phenylbutazone--both class C controlled substances--in a sample taken from Merlin the Red, who finished fifth at Will Rogers on 4/7/26.

05/19/2026, Casey Schleis, trainer: Pending vets' list medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a class B controlled substance--in a sample taken from Call Me Breeze on 4/27/26.

05/19/2026, Sean McCarthy, trainer: Pending vets' list medication violation for the presence of Capsaicin--a class B controlled substance--in a sample taken from Big Reflections on 4/11/26.

05/19/2026, Jose Corrales, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Nikethamide--a banned substance--in a sample taken from Curlene's Spirit, who won at Laurel Park on 2/20/26.

05/15/2026, Jamie Ness, trainer: Pending vets' list medication violation for the presence of Dantrolene--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from Irish Exit on 4/18/26.

05/15/2026, Shannon McGovern, trainer: Pending vets' list medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a class B controlled substance--in a sample taken from Rock City Kid on 4/14/26.

05/15/2026, Domenick Schettino, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Dexamethasone--a class C controlled substance--in a sample taken from That'sthefactjack, who finished seventh at Aqueduct on 4/3/26.

Crop Violations

Aqueduct

Jose Lezcano--reporting date May 18; \$1,000 fine, two-day suspension

Katie Davis--reporting date May 18; \$250 fine, one-day suspension

Churchill Downs

Jann N. Hernandez--reporting date May 14; \$500 fine, one-day suspension

James Graham--reporting date May 14; \$500 fine, one-day suspension

Delaware Park

Marvin R. Fernandez--reporting date May 20; \$500 fine, two-day suspension

Prairie Meadows

Ronnie W. Huckaby--reporting date May 18; \$250 fine, one-day suspension

Santa Anita

Joel R. Mejia--reporting date May 15; \$250 fine, one-day suspension, on appeal stay requested

Sunland Park

Christian Ramos--reporting date May 15; \$1,000 fine, two-day suspension

Oscar Andrade--reporting date May 15; \$500 fine, one-day suspension

Thistledown

Brandon Tapara--reporting date May 19; \$250 fine, one-day suspension, on appeal stay requested

Ricardo Feliciano--reporting date May 18; \$250 fine, one-day suspension, on appeal stay requested

[Share this story](#) 



DELGADO TO RECEIVE PINKERTON VISION AWARD



Dora Delgado | *Breeders' Cup*

Dora Delgado, Executive Vice President and Chief Racing Officer for Breeders' Cup Limited, will be honored May 28 by Midway University with the Pinkerton Vision Award.

This award honors Dr. L.L. Pinkerton, whose vision of the Kentucky Female Orphan School in 1847 established it as the first formal education for orphaned girls on the site that is now Midway University. Pinkerton Vision Award recipients must have had a direct impact on improving the lives of women, served as an outstanding role model, or have displayed great leadership, innovative thinking, and influence in their chosen field.

Recipients must be a Kentucky native, resident, or organization located in Kentucky, and are selected by a committee of college representatives from a pool of nominations received.

Delgado began her tenure in 1983 with Breeders' Cup Limited as a part-time data entry and file clerk before the inaugural running of the Breeders' Cup World Championships in 1984.

Delgado manages the Breeders' Cup racing team, equine security team, veterinary panel and field selection panel. She is also responsible for all horse recruitment and equine event logistics for the annual World Championships, including coordination with all federal, state, and international regulatory authorities. Additionally, she oversees the Breeders' Cup foal and stallion nomination programs worldwide.

Named a Sports Business Journal Game Changer in 2021, Delgado was also the recipient of the Clay Puett Award in 2024.

Cont.

Dora Delgado, cont.

She is a member of the American Horse Council's Health & Regulatory Committee, a member of the Racing Officials Accreditation Program Board, a member of the Advisory Committee for The Jockey Club Safety Net Foundation, serves as an Executive Committee Board member of the Racing Medication & Testing Consortium, and currently serves as Chair of the Nominations Committee of the Gluck Equine Research Foundation Board and is on the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory Board.

Delgado will receive her award May 28 at Midway University's 12th annual Spotlight Awards evening.

[Share this story](#) 

2027 KENTUCKY DERBY BETTING CHALLENGE TO OFFER \$400K; TWINSPIRES TOUR RETURNS

The Kentucky Derby Betting Challenge (KDBC) will return in 2027 with a record \$400,000 guaranteed prize pool as TwinSpires also unveiled the second season of the TwinSpires Tour, which will award \$50,000 in prizes throughout the year.

The KDBC, scheduled for Kentucky Derby Day on Saturday, May 1, 2027, will feature a guaranteed \$400,000 prize pool following the addition of \$50,000 in seeded cash from TwinSpires. Kentucky Oaks Day on Friday, Apr. 30, 2027, will offer a \$1,000 First Chance/Last Chance KDBC Qualifier with \$25,000 in added cash from TwinSpires.

The 2027 KDBC will mark the third edition of the tournament and will now reduce the minimum number of required races from seven to six.

"We will be adding \$50,000 to the cash prize pool, allowing us to guarantee the prize pool at \$400,000 in its third year," said Darin Zoccali, director of loyalty & retention for TwinSpires. "Additionally, we will once again add \$25,000 in cash to the prize pool of the Kentucky Oaks Betting Challenge as well."

The second edition of the TwinSpires Tour will begin Friday, May 22 and again feature four tournament sessions throughout the season, each awarding \$5,000 in cash prizes. The overall winner will receive \$20,000 along with a seat to the Breeders' Cup Betting Challenge. The Tour also will award two seats to the 2027 Stephen Foster Betting Challenge.

More information on the 2027 Kentucky Derby Betting Challenge and the TwinSpires Tour, including tournament schedules and qualifying information, is available at www.TwinSpires.com.

[Share this story](#) 

Seeing RED? Click on a **stallion's name** to learn more about them on their page on the farm's website.

CAREER WIN 5,000 FOR TRAINER JAMIE NESS



Jamie Ness, left of the groom, with winner #4,999 at Parx just moments after he recorded winner #5,000 at Delaware | *Equi-Photo*

Trainer Jamie Ness, who won his first race at Canterbury Park in 1999, earned his 5,000th win Wednesday at Delaware Park, just moments after he got victory 4,999 at Parx Racing. His milestone victory came in Delaware's Race 6, a starter optional claimer, with Chelsea Wall (Sky Kingdom), who was piloted by recent GI Preakness Stakes-winning jockey Paco Lopez.

Ness currently leads the trainer standings at Delaware Park and last year secured his 11th consecutive (and 13th overall) leading trainer title at the oval outside of Wilmington.

Ness captured his 4,000th career victory in 2023 at Laurel, 13 years after notching his 1,000th win in 2010 at Presque Isle.

[Share this story](#) 

MONMOUTH MOVES WEEKEND TURF STAKES

With the possibility of heavy rain over the Memorial Day holiday weekend, Monmouth Park has preemptively moved two black-type races scheduled on the turf to Saturday, May 30. The 1 1/16-mile Cliff Hanger Stakes, which offers the winner a free berth into the GII United Nations Stakes, and the 1 1/16-mile Miss Liberty Stakes, which gives an entry into the GII WinStar Matchmaker Stakes, will move from May 23 and 24, respectively, and will now run on the same card as the May 30 Jersey Derby.

"It's unfortunate, but the present forecast looks like a washout for turf racing this weekend," said Monmouth General Manager John Heims. "We'll now pivot to putting on three turf stakes for the May 30 card and, pending approval from the New Jersey Racing Commission, those three races will debut the new all-turf pick three."

[Share this story](#) 

TRAINERS TO COMMIT PORTION OF BELMONT FESTIVAL EARNINGS TO SUPPORT RETIRED RACEHORSES

The Belmont Pledge, an initiative led by a group of trainers committed to supporting retired racehorses beyond their racing careers, will return ahead of the third leg of the Triple Crown, it was announced Wednesday.

Trainers Michael McCarthy, George Weaver, Whit Beckman and Amelia Green have once again pledged a portion of their earnings from the Belmont Festival to benefit the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation (TRF) and its mission of providing dignified lifetime care to retired Thoroughbreds.

"I am heartened by the support from Michael, George, Whit and Amelia," TRF's Executive Director Maggie Sweet said.

"They were all eager to take this pledge for the second year in a row, which shows their awareness of aftercare as a natural part of a racehorse's lifecycle. We hope other forward-thinking trainers, owners, and jockeys will join our pledge."

[Share this story](#) 

SPECIAL BELMONT FESTIVAL EVENTS AT NATIONAL MUSEUM OF RACING

With all eyes soon to be on Saratoga for the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival, the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame will open two new special exhibitions, as well as offer several public events.

Capturing and Preserving Greatness: A Life's Passion (The Photography and Historic Collections of Barbara D. Livingston, presented by *Daily Racing Form*) and A Discerning Eye: The Art of Sir Alfred Munnings (Selections from a Private Collection) will both open Wednesday, June 3. The former chronicles the photography career and historic collections of six-time Eclipse Award winner Barbara D. Livingston and was co-curated with Annie Davis, the museum's collections manager, and the latter features 29 Sir Alfred Munnings paintings from a private collection and was guest curated by Teresa Longyear.

Among the other events featured at the museum over the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival, which will be held from June 3-7, are a book talk and signing with Tom Durkin; Durkin-led tours of the Museum; the Belmont Bash at the Canfield Casino; Saturday Morning Social; the Belmont Family Fun Fest; a raffle for an ownership share in a West Point Thoroughbreds racehorse; and Oklahoma Training Track Tours.

[Share this story](#) 




Monday, Santa Anita #6, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT




GAMELY S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Public Assembly 	More Than Ready	Abbondanza Racing LLC, McNulty Thoroughbreds and Medallion Racing	D'Amato	Rosario	122
2	Hang the Moon 	Uncle Mo	Twin Oaks Bloodstock	Joseph, Jr.	Prat	122
3	A Thousand Miles 	Thousand Words	Bryon Seymore	Belvoir	Smith	122
4	Take A Breath (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Chivalry Thoroughbred Racing and Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners	Glatt	Jaramillo	122
5	Thought Process 	Collected	Estate of Brereton C. Jones, Little Red Feather Racing and Madaket Stables LLC	D'Amato	Berrios	124
6	Vronti (GB)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Andrew Stone	Motion	Hernandez	122
7	Rashmi	Oscar Performance	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Kimura	122
8	May Day Ready	Tapit	KatieRich Stables LLC	Mandella	Fresu	124

Breeders: 1-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC & Pollock Farms, 2-Repole Stable Inc, 3-John Hess & Riley Hess, 4-Highgate Stud, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-St Albans Bloodstock LLP, 7-George Strawbridge Jr., 8-White Birch Farm, Inc.

Monday, Santa Anita #8, post time: 7:30 p.m. EDT

SHOEMAKER MILE S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	El Potente	Temple City	My Way Racing LLC	Blacker	Berrios	122
2	Formidable Man 	City of Light	William K. Warren, Jr. and Suzanne Warren	McCarthy	Prat	124
3	King of Gosford (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig and Jeremy Peskoff	D'Amato	Kimura	124
4	Genius Jimmy 	Jimmy Creed	Pappas Horse Racing Corp., Colin Gala, Dennis O'Neill and William Strauss	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
5	Almendares (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig and Ray Pagano	D'Amato	Fresu	122
6	Mi Hermano Ramon	Creative Cause	Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners and Red Baron's Barn LLC	Glatt	Jaramillo	122
7	Seal Team (GB)	War Front	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Rosario	122
8	Call Me Cory 	Uncle Mo	Warren Drakos	Hanson	Smith	122
9	Twirling Point	Twirling Candy	Paula P. and Tracy D. Henline	Wright	Gonzalez	122

Breeders: 1-Charmsil LLC, 2-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 3-The Miss Sugars Partnership, 4-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM, 5-D. R. Tucker, 6-Red Baron's Barn, 7-Bass Stables LLC, 8-Wimberley Bloodstock, LLC, 9-George Strawbridge Jr.



THE SIGN OF SUCCESS

Look for the  throughout the TDN graded stakes entries denoting Keeneland Sales Graduates.

KEENELAND

Monday, Santa Anita #5, post time: 6:00 p.m. EDT**HOLLYWOOD GOLD CUP S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Forged Steel	Vekoma	C2 Racing Stable, LLC and Mathis Stable, LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Prat	122
2	Mc Vay	Constitution	C R K Stable LLC	Eurton	Berrios	122
3	Subsanador (Arg)	Fortify	Wathnan Racing	Mandella	Smith	122
4	Malarchuk	Nyquist	ERJ Racing LLC and Reddam Racing LLC	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
5	British Isles	Justify	Slam Dunk Racing, Deborah Baltas & Cynthia McClanahan	Baltas	Rosario	126

Breeders: 1-Richard E. Wilson, 2-Band of Brothers, 3-EI Mallin, 4-Chippewa Bloodstock, 5-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt

Monday, Lone Star #12, post time: 8:07 p.m. EDT**STEVE SEXTON MILE S.-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo/up, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Heavenville	Instagrاند	Theresa Treloar and Steve Penta	Caldwell	Diaz	120
2	Touchuponastar	Star Guitar	Set-Hut LLC	Delhomme	Thornton	124
3	Neoequos	Neolithic	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Shining Stables, Stefania Farms, Kent Reimer, Paul Braverman and Timothy Pinch	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	120
4	Will Take It 🌿	Tapit	Willis Horton Racing LLC and Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Stewart	Saez	124
5	Komorebino Omoide (Jpn)	California Chrome	Perry Martin	Diodoro	Vazquez	122
6	This Is Uskar 🌿	Oscar Performance	Table 38 Racing LLC and KatieRich Stables LLC	Blair	Torres	122
7	Publisher	American Pharoah	Gus King and Estate of Brereton C. Jones	Asmussen	Asmussen	122
8	Gigante 🌿	Not This Time	L and N Racing LLC and Clark O. Brewster	Asmussen	Elliott	120
9	Heroic Move	Quality Road	Arnold Bennewith, Rick Wiest, Clayton Wiest, Lana Wiest, Randy Howg, Norman Tremblay and R 6 Stable	Diodoro	Franco	120

Breeders: 1-William & Corinne Heiligbrodt, 2-Coteau Grove Farms, 3-Helen Barbazon, Joseph Barbazon & Matalona Thoroughbreds, LLC, 4-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 5-Perry Martin, 6-KatieRich Farms, 7-Brereton C. Jones, 8-Ann Mudge Backer & Smitten Farm, 9-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc.

Monday, Churchill Downs #8, post time: 4:22 p.m. EDT**WINNING COLORS S.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Foie Gras 🌿	Volatile	Paradise Farms Corp., P Shooter Stable and Emcee Stable LLC	Maker	Santana, Jr.	118
2	Dare to Fly 🌿	Daredevil	Mulholland Springs LLC, Meadow Wood Farm & Pryor, Judy	Ennis	Bejarano	118
3	Zeitlos 🌿	Curlin	Peter Leidel	Asmussen	Hernandez, Jr.	118
4	Spring Dancer	The Big Beast	Patterson, Randy, Morse, Randy L., Morgan, Joe and Vogel, Sam M	Morse	Torres	118
5	Kapoor	Uncle Mo	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	118
6	One Magic Philly	Good Magic	John Gallegos	Walsh	Gaffalione	118
7	Usha	Tiz the Law	Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul	Baffert	Geroux	123
8	Jersey Pearl 🌿	Bee Jersey	Silverton Hill LLC	Miller	Arrieta	118

Breeders: 1-E. H. Beau Lane, 2-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Erich Brehm and Chuck Hovitz, 5-Godolphin, 6-John Gallegos, 7-Esler & Raine, 8-Charles Fipke

See European edition for upcoming European and international Graded Stakes Entries



THE SIGN OF SUCCESS

Look for the 🌿 throughout the TDN graded stakes entries denoting Keeneland Sales Graduates.

KEENELAND

THURSDAY RACING INSIGHTS:

by Stefanie Grimm



The late Speightstown at WinStar Farm | Sarah Andrew

SPEIGHTSTOWN JUVENILE DEBUTS IN CHURCHILL TURF SPRINT

3rd-CD, 120K, Msw, 2yo, 5ft, 5:58 p.m.

Trainer Mark Casse and Kentucky Derby-winning jockey Jose Ortiz team up on **PLAY IT AGAIN** (Speightstown) from the rail in this five-furlong turf sprint. A \$725,000 Keeneland September grad, the Kindred Stables-bred, from his sire's last crop, is the first to the track for an unraced daughter of **American Pharoah**. That mare is a daughter of GI Ogden Phipps Handicap winner Seattle Smooth, making her a half to GSW She Be Smooth (Lexitonian) and GSP Seattle Slang (**Tapit**). Casse and Ortiz have previously teamed up with great success on the likes of Eclipse champion Nitrogen (Medaglia d'Oro). **TJCS PPS**

[Share this story](#)



Follow the TDN staff on Twitter [@theTDN](#)

- [@SGrimmTDN](#) [@SteveSherackTDN](#) [@JessMartiniTDN](#)
- [@suefinley](#) [@CBossTDN](#) [@EquinealTDN](#)
- [@HLAndersonTDN](#) [@garykingTDN](#) [@JillWilliamsTDN](#)
- [@thorntontd](#) [@SarahKAndrew](#) [@campbellparlay](#)

MAIDEN WINNERS

LEGACY Bloodstock

10 MILLIONAIRE SALES GRADS
including 2026 G2SW **YELLOW CARD!**

IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw, 5-20, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10.39, sy, 6 lengths.

ROSE OF SAN ANTONE (f, 3, Justify--Scratch N Claw, by Tapit) raced at long odds off the board at both Keeneland Apr. 11, where she finished behind 'TDN Rising Star' La Rascasse (Authentic), and Churchill Downs on May 1 before finding her friends at Horseshoe Indianapolis Wednesday. The heavy 3-5 favorite, facing both a cutback to six furlongs and a sloppy track for the first time, sat third just off the pace and barely back of early leader Mo Biscuit (More Than Ready). Gradually inching up on that rival around the turn, she bid outside into the final furlong and had no issue putting this field away late, graduating by six lengths over Deyemond (**Kantharos**). A \$300,000 daughter of Triple Crown winner **Justify**, Rose of San Antone is a half to four other winners from as many to race. Her **Tapit** first dam is a half to GISW In Lingerie (Empire Maker). The mare has a yearling by **McKinzie** and is due this season to **Seize the Grey**. Sales History: \$300,000 Ylg '24 KESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$24,175. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Yellow Rose Stable; B-Liberty Road Stables (KY); T-John Ennis.

IT'S IN THE WATER
Thrived at Mulholland Springs



Rose of San Antone | Coady Media

**FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, MAY 21***2026 Stud Fees Listed*

Cyberknife (Gun Runner), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
 167 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Velvet Beretta, 20-1
 \$55,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$15,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$37,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

Fire At Will (Declaration of War), Mountain View Farm, \$2,500
 24 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Churchill Downs, 5:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Fire Marshal, 8-1

Golden Pal (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford, \$25,000
 203 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Churchill Downs, 5:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Hide N Watch, 15-1
 \$105,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl
 3-Churchill Downs, 5:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Mr Gerson, 8-1
 3-Churchill Downs, 5:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Shining Moment, 5-2
 \$120,000 KEE SEP yrl

Jack Christopher (Munnings), Coolmore Ashford, \$15,000
 187 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Princess Chanty, 20-1
 \$60,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$65,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, MAY 21*2026 Stud Fees Listed*

Charlatan (Speightstown), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$25,000
 321 foals of racing age/38 winners/7 black-type winners
 6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. EDT, Alw 5fT, Bourbon Notes, 4-1
 \$210,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS APR 2yo
 5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Elusive Con, 6-1
 \$50,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$75,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Independence Hall (Constitution), WinStar Farm, \$10,000
 195 foals of racing age/37 winners/2 black-type winners
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Shiftyindependence, 20-1
 \$37,000 RNA OBS WIN wnl; \$42,000 KEE SEP yrl

Knicks Go (Paynter), Kor, private
 170 foals of racing age/45 winners/1 black-type winner
 3-Hawthorne, 4:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Creating Havoc, 7-2
 7-Delaware, 3:32 p.m. EDT, Alw 6f, Falcon Cove, 5-1
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Go New York Go, 3-1
 \$15,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$23,000 KEE SEP yrl

Raging Bull (Fr) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Gainesway Farm, \$7,500
 127 foals of racing age/17 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Royal Tiara, 15-1
 \$19,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; \$20,000 RNA IND YRL yrl
 3-Churchill Downs, 5:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Zee R One, 30-1
 \$17,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Rock Your World (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500
 224 foals of racing age/46 winners/3 black-type winners
 7-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:16 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Guyana's Eclipse, 8-1
 \$4,500 IND YRL yrl
 1-Evangeline Downs, 6:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Lil Central, 4-1
 3-Hawthorne, 4:38 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Rockfest, 6-1
 \$14,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$37,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$90,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$150,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Silver State (Hard Spun), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500
 173 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner
 6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. EDT, Alw 5fT, Patty's Girl, 20-1
 \$14,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$25,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Tacitus (Tapit), Taylor Made Farm, \$5,000
 198 foals of racing age/28 winners/1 black-type winner
 6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. EDT, Alw 5fT, Annie's Allie, 15-1
 \$14,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$9,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$70,000 OBS OPN 2yo
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, La Belle Vie, 6-1
 \$65,000 KEE NOV wnl

Yaupon (Uncle Mo), Spendthrift Farm, \$60,000
 324 foals of racing age/47 winners/10 black-type winners
 5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Avalon Jetty, 5-1
 \$160,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$185,000 KEE SEP yrl
 5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Creature, 12-1
 \$85,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$140,000 FTD DE 2yo
 7-Evangeline Downs, 8:57 p.m. EDT, Aoc 5f, Fly Strong, 12-1
 \$110,000 FTK FEB wnl
 1-Churchill Downs, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Valentine Eve, 5-1

\$60,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

6-Delaware, 3:00 p.m. EDT, Aoc 1m, Yau Majesty, 10-1

Zipman (City Zip), CI-The Speedhorse Farm

3 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners

7-Belterra, 3:35 p.m. EDT, Alw 1m, Party Boy, 5-1



jonesnouvelletrealestate.com

+1(859).512.8812



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Delaware, \$55,000, 5-20, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.30, ft, 3/4 length.

SPIKEZONE (g, 7, Speightster--Blameitontheice, by Stay Thirsty)

Lifetime Record: SW, 37-18-6-8, \$702,262. O-Troy Johnson, Charles Lo and Jagger, Inc.; B-Bishop Racing, Inc. (FL); T-Jamie Ness. *\$2,500 Ylg '20 OBSWIN; \$19,000 Ylg '20 OBSOCT.

5th-Delaware, \$51,600, 5-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.76, ft, 3 lengths.

SASSAFRASSNESS (f, 4, Unified--Hartigan {MSW, \$197,300}, by Include) Lifetime Record: 15-7-1-3, \$226,375. O-Morris E.

Kernan, Jr. and Jagger, Inc.; B-Jagger Inc. (MD); T-Jamie Ness. *1/2 to Starry Moon (Malibu Moon), MSP, \$200,516, Speedyness (Great Notion), MSW, \$475,990 and Royal Number (Palace Malice), SP, \$184,030.

6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$41,000, (S), 5-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04.43, sy, neck.

UNBRIDLED INTENT (g, 3, Unbridled Express--Malhama, by Tiznow) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$68,084. O-Marion F. Gorham Revocable Trust; B-Paul King (IN); T-Robert M. Gorham. *\$15,000 Ylg '24 INDYRL.

3rd-Presque Isle Downs, \$32,670, (S), 5-20, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.92, ft, 3 lengths.

ATWORK (g, 4, Outwork--Dancinginthestreet, by Street Boss)

Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$59,610. O-Daniel Atwood; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Randall R. Russell. *\$35,000 Ylg '23 FTKJUL. **1/2 to Princess Javoncia (Animal Kingdom), MSP, \$392,707 and Dance Code (Honor Code), SW & GSP, \$232,533.

TAYLOR MADE FOR YOU!

3rd-Thistledown, \$31,400, 5-20, (NW4L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.68, my, 10 lengths.

BACK ON TRACK (m, 5, Prospect Park--Peg's Journey, by Good Journey) Lifetime Record: 20-4-1-2, \$151,111. O-Tijuana Racing Stables; B-Carole I. Fernandez (CA); T-Juan Pablo Silva. *\$1,500 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

2nd-Thistledown, \$28,000, 5-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.96, my, 1 length.

NIXON'S TIME (f, 4, Not This Time--Bahama Halo {SP}, by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: 13-2-0-1, \$44,964. O-Marion F. Gorham Revocable Trust; B-Swifty Farms Inc. (KY); T-Robert M. Gorham. *\$8,000 3yo '25 FTDFEB.

TAYLOR MADE FOR YOU!

7th-Finger Lakes, \$26,500, 5-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.23, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

GALILEANS GIRL (f, 3, Galilean--Bileaps and Bounds, by Disco Rico) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$41,720. O-Linda K. Dixon and Hector M. Alejandro; B-Barry R. Ostrager (NY); T-Linda K. Dixon. *\$1,000 RNA Wlg '23 FTNMIX; \$1,000 RNA Ylg '24 FTKFEB.

2nd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$20,580, 5-19, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.79, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

NOW THAT ICAN ROCK (g, 6, Flintshire {GB}--Westside Singer, by Gone West) Lifetime Record: 24-3-3-2, \$126,622. O/T-Brian D. Michael; B-Alan Tennenbaum (KY). *1/2 to Secret Message (Hat Trick {Jpn}), GSW & GISP-Can, MGSW-USA, \$566,413.

3rd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,800, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 5-19, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.74, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

FASTER (g, 5, Accelerate--Perfect Cause, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 24-5-2-4, \$82,674. O-Jennifer Tooley and Dolce Vita Farm; B-Patchen Wilkes Farm, LLC & Kathryn Day & Orchard Park (KY); T-Jennifer Tooley. *\$75,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV. **1/2 to Donegal Moon (Malibu Moon), GSW, \$253,577.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Crazy Sexy Cool, f, 3, **Looking Cool**--Tonigail, by D'wildcat. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5-20, (S), 1m, 1:40.81. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$34,843. B-Tianna Richardville (IN).

All Busted Up, g, 4, **Bustin Stones**--Goldie's Princess, by Bluegrass Cat. Finger Lakes, 5-20, 5 1/2f, 1:05.52. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$20,049. B-Andiamo Farm (NY).

Lookin Like Lucky, g, 4, **Lookin At Lucky**--Dance With Doves, by A.P. Indy. Thistledown, 5-20, 5 1/2f, 1:06.02. Lifetime Record: 19-1-4-1, \$39,335. B-John Ropes (KY). *\$15,000 RNA 2yo '24 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Dance Again (Awesome Again), SW-Can, GSP-USA, \$270,604, Swoop and Strike (Smart Strike), GSP, \$128,673 and Loose Wire (**Street Sense**), GSP, \$178,391.

St. Emilion, c, 4, **Twirling Candy**--Conquest Serenade, by Unbridled's Song. Presque Isle Downs, 5-20, 1m (AWT), 1:37.51. Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-1, \$34,320. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). *\$250,000 Ylg '23 KESEEP; \$150,000 RNA 2yo '24 OBSOPN.

ALL TDN WINNERS BY SIRE




Accelerate, Faster, g, 5, o/o Perfect Cause, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 5-19, Mountaineer

Bustin Stones, All Busted Up, g, 4, o/o Goldie's Princess, by Bluegrass Cat. MSW, 5-20, Finger Lakes

Flintshire (GB), Now That I can Rock, g, 6, o/o Westside Singer, by Gone West. ALW, 5-19, Mountaineer

Galilean, Galileans Girl, f, 3, o/o Bileaps and Bounds, by Disco Rico. ALW, 5-20, Finger Lakes

Justify, Rose of San Antone, f, 3, o/o Scratch N Claw, by **Tapit**. MSW, 5-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Lookin At Lucky, Lookin Like Lucky, g, 4, o/o Dance With Doves, by A.P. Indy. MSW, 5-20, Thistledown

Looking Cool, Crazy Sexy Cool, f, 3, o/o Tonigail, by D'wildcat. MSW, 5-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Not This Time, Nixon's Time, f, 4, o/o Bahama Halo, by More Than Ready. ALW, 5-20, Thistledown

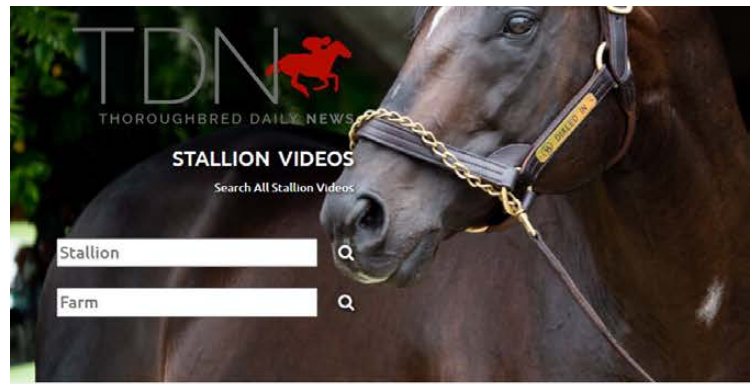
Outwork, Atwork, g, 4, o/o Dancinginthestreet, by Street Boss. ALW, 5-20, Presque Isle Downs

Speightster, Spikezone, g, 7, o/o Blameitontheice, by Stay Thirsty. ALW, 5-20, Delaware

Twirling Candy, St. Emilion, c, 4, o/o Conquest Serenade, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 5-20, Presque Isle Downs

Unbridled Express, Unbridled Intent, g, 3, o/o Malhama, by Tiznow. ALW, 5-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Unified, Sassafrassness, f, 4, o/o Hartigan, by Include. ALW, 5-20, Delaware



CHECK IT OUT!

Check out the **TDN's** new **Stallion Videos** section of our website!

The section includes all of our stallion video features, stallion walking videos, 360 videos, as well as stallions divided by crop year: first yearlings, first 2yos, new to stud, and more!



AUDIBLE
Audible 360 Video



CONSTITUTION
Constitution 360 Video



ECHO TOWN
Echo Town 360 Video



GLOBAL CAMPAIGN
Global Campaign 360 Video



GOOD SAMARITAN
Good Samaritan 360 Video



GUN RUNNER
Gun Runner 360 Video

The stallion video section is an invaluable resource, particularly if you can't get out to see all the stallions you'd like to in person!

Click Here to Explore



'WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO THE NEXT GENERATION'

National Stud CEO Anna Kerr Launches the Young Professionals Bloodstock Network



National Stud CEO Anna Kerr | *Dominic James*

By Emma Berry

The National Stud, like its Irish counterpart, treads a dual pathway in being both a commercial stallion operation and boarding farm as well as a seat of learning. Managing those twin aspects of the business within the wider umbrella of its parent company the Jockey Club means that the plate of chief executive Anna Kerr is already stacked pretty high, but she has recently added to her own inbox through the setting up of the Young Professionals Bloodstock Network.

It is perhaps no surprise that Kerr remains intent on providing something of a nurturing role in the industry as her original brief when joining the National Stud in 2020 as its COO was to oversee its education programme. She took over as CEO in 2023 and it was a conversation with Richard Norris, the Jockey Club's director of racing, which prompted Kerr to organise a Youth Bloodstock Forum in Newmarket earlier this year.

"We wanted it to be very much focused around breeding and ownership," she says. "Eighty per cent of the attendees at the forum were graduates of the National Stud Diploma course, and we invited other young professionals working in the industry, under the age of 40." [Cont. p3](#)

TIMEFORM'S TOP JUVENILES: MAY 4-17

By Adam Houghton

The Timeform rankings return to highlight the top-rated maiden/novice winners in Britain and Ireland from the last fortnight, with a Richard Hannon-trained colt from York's Dante Festival leading the way.

=3. BARROW BOY (IRE)

Bayside Boy (Ire)--Illumined (Ire), by Sea The Moon (Ger)

Timeform performance rating: 92

Trained by Gavin Cromwell, Barrow Boy was a dominant winner of the near-6f maiden run at Navan on May 16, fully confirming the promise of last month's debut when he chased home Tribeca (Blue Point) over the same course and distance. At the line he was over two lengths clear of his closest pursuer, once again doing his best work at the finish in the style of one who ought to stay 7f when the time comes.

In the meantime, Barrow Boy is reportedly being aimed at the Listed Windsor Castle Stakes at Royal Ascot, which will be run over 6f for the first time this year and restricted to juveniles whose sire won at least once over 7f+ at two or 1m+ at three and above. [Cont. p5](#)

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

HARTY RESORTS TO FIRST PRINCIPLES

Chris McGrath profiles fifth-generation trainer Eoin Harty, an Irishman now based in Kentucky after many years in California.



Barrow Boy | *Racingfotos.com*

PUBLISHER & CEO

Sue Morris Finley @suefinley
suefinley@thetdn.com

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Gary King @garykingTDN
garyking@thetdn.com

Chief Correspondent

Emma Berry @collingsberry
emmaberry@thetdn.com

Managing Editor

Heather Anderson @HLAndersonTDN

Business Development Manager

Alayna Cullen Birkett @AlaynaCullen
alaynacullen@thetdn.com

European Sales Editor

Brian Sheerin @BrianSheerin91

Deputy European Editor

Adam Houghton @hought94

Cafe Racing

Sean Cronin & Tom Frary
caferacing@thetdn.com

Regular Columnist

John Berry

ADVERTISING

tdnadstaff@gmail.com

Director of Advertising

Alycia Borer

Advertising Manager

Lia Best

Senior Advertising Designer

Amanda Crelin

Advertising Designer

Amie Newcomb

Advertising Assistant/Dir. of Distribution

Liz Fronczek

Advertising Assistant

Justin Fowler

60 Broad Street, Suite 105

Red Bank, NJ 07701

732-747-8060 | www.TheTDN.com/europe



The Global Leader In Live Horse Racing Data

Live GPS Data - Race Graphics - Precision Timing
In-Running Betting - Global Fan Engagement

The trusted partner at 150+ racetracks across 16 countries

www.totalperformancedata.com



TODAY in **TDN**  **EUROPE**

Thursday, May 21, 2026



Japanese Horse of the Year and Breeders' Cup Classic hero Forever Young (Real Steel) features among seven entries from the Far East for the G1 Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, which takes place at ParisLongchamp on Sunday, October 4. See p6 for details. | Emma Berry

7 | TATTERSALLS ONLINE BREEZE-UP SESSION ENTERS FOURTH YEAR

Initial entries have now been published for the session described as "an important addition to the European breeze-up calendar".

7 | RECORD TRADE AT GOFFS UK SPRING HIT/PTP SALE

The six-year-old Kaiser Ball took star billing during the record-breaking session on Wednesday when bought by Tom Malone for £360,000.

Young Professionals Bloodstock Network cont. from p1

"We had the most fantastic kick-off session on the eve of the February Sale. I was blown away by the engagement and the thirst for it," Kerr adds.

"I think that says an awful lot about what is positive about our industry and what bodes very well for the future. Off the back of that, we discussed five different areas, which were about getting started, supporting the process, increasing industry participation, what happens when you don't sell [a foal or yearling], and stallion diversity. From that, we then had a clearer output of themes."

From the initial forum, Kerr has now set up several working groups and has enlisted the support of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association CEO Naomi Mellor. She says that the team at Tattersalls has offered support and that she is also approaching Goffs.

"It's really looking to those industry leaders about what we, as institutions, can do collectively to create a framework that supports the community of young professionals in our industry," Kerr says.

Two group sessions have taken place this week in Newmarket, with this correspondent allowed to take part despite being neither young nor very professional.

"There's a lot of people above 40 who have an awful lot of input to offer, so it's mixing the two generations together through these working groups, which have been really fascinating. Allowing the space for the conversations is very powerful in itself, and there's a clear concept emerging from those conversations. A smaller working group will work on honing that concept and creating a delivery model to apply for funding."

Some of the conversation has naturally focused around what can be done to encourage more people to become involved in the breeding sector by facilitating a pathway through syndicates and racing clubs. Greater accessibility to shared ownership is a hot topic, allowing as it does not just a more affordable option for people to become directly involved with racehorses but also the advantage of a like-minded social network.

Kerr says, "The core objective for me is in creating the community, the connectivity, and through that, it creates a platform from which young people can be recognised and seen and heard. Through getting to know each other, and that networking and that connection, more opportunities will come."

The Young Professionals Bloodstock Network will be managed by the National Stud while working closely with the TBA and other industry partners.

"We're here to support, introduce and connect," she adds. "But the importance of community is at the core of it, while helping younger members of that community to understand the intricacies of our industry."

A Gateway to Classic & Group 1 Winners

Ruling Court
2025 Betfred 2000 Guineas Stakes (G1) winner.

Native Trail
2022 Tattersalls Irish 2000 Guineas (G1) Winner.
2021 Dewhurst Winner (G1).
European Champion Two Year Old 2021.

Eldar Eldarov
2022 Cazoo St Leger (G1) Winner.
2023 Comer Group St Leger (G1) Winner.
Champion Three Year Old Stayer.

War Of Will
USA Preakness Stakes (G1) Winner.
USA Maker's Mark Mile Stakes (G1) Winner.

Dragon Symbol
First past the post in:
Commonwealth Cup Royal Ascot (G1).

See our Breeze Up drafts to open that gate!

"And as part of the network, what the National Stud can do is accessible breeding clubs, young stock clubs, leasing resources, and doing it in an affordable way where it's paying by direct debit instead of needing five or eight grand up front."

One of the attendees of both the initial forum and this week's working group is Lilly Sahla, European marketing manager for Ace Stud, who graduated from the National Stud Diploma course five years ago. Originally employed in the music industry, Sahla says that her introduction to bloodstock came quite by chance when she ended up working at Segenhoe Stud to fulfil the requirements of her visa while travelling in Australia.

MORE COOL IMPRESSIVE FIRST FOALS



Filly ex **Heavenly Song**, bred by *Rabbah Bloodstock Limited*

Colt ex **Albemarle**, bred by *Rigsdale Stud*



Colt ex **Eye Witness**, bred by *Kildaragh Stud*

Filly ex **Greshnitsia**, bred by *Mr Victor Tymoshenko*

HENRY LONGFELLOW

UNBEATEN GROUP 1-WINNING 2YO BY DUBAWI

COOLMORE

Young Professionals Bloodstock Network cont.

"Creating a network for young professionals, breeders and others in the racing industry is incredibly important, and I think this is a brilliant initiative that Anna Kerr and Naomi Mellor are driving forward," she says.

"I found my way into this industry completely by chance and would definitely have benefited from more guidance and support in those early days if I'd known it was available.

"The National Stud Diploma course was a great introduction to the industry for me, but at the time I still felt like I was coming into it all quite blind. It's easy for us to assume that everyone knows everything in this industry, but we need to give younger people the space and confidence to learn without feeling embarrassed or excluded."

Sahla continues, "Over the years I've been lucky to build a great support network around me, including people who became brilliant mentors, like Anna herself, as well as Ross Doyle and Richard Phillips, but making that initial contact can feel daunting. Again, the National Stud course was vital in the early stages of my career because it gave me a strong foundation of friends and colleagues within the industry, but not everyone is fortunate enough to have that opportunity.

"I feel strongly about opening the doors to racing to people from different backgrounds and changing the perception that success only comes if you grew up in the industry. We need to showcase the broad range of jobs and opportunities our world can offer."

It is a mission shared by Kerr, who also worries that the politics of an industry which has its share of potential crises bubbling away in the background can be somewhat draining.

"It's very easy for us all to talk about how awful everything is, and if we look over the lid of the box, things are pretty awful, but actually, there's also an awful lot that's good," she says.



Lilly Sahla, second left, with her Ace Stud colleagues | Racingfotos.com

Breeze Up sales

*the source of 46 Gr.1 winners for a median price of £81,000!**

2026 graduates are already off to a flyer!

EFSEXTEEN
Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Graduate
impressive winner of the Tattersalls £40,000 EBF Fillies' Novice at Newmarket on debut

WILD BLOSSOM
Tattersalls Craven Breeze-Up Graduate
another smart debutant, winning the British Stallion Studs EBF Fillies' Novice at Carlisle

Next Sale: Tattersalls Ireland
Breeze Up Sale, 21st-22nd May

*across 10 years

Who will you find this year?

BrzUps

BREEZE 2 SUCCEED

DURABILITY VALUE SUCCESS www.brzups.com

"There's a lot of positive things happening but we need to support those who are going to be here in 20 years' time. we need to make them feel that not all they're hearing is doom. This is the world they love and they've chosen to be a part of and we have a responsibility to the next generation coming through to leave the industry in the best state that we can."

She points to the unique communities that can be found on racecourses all around the world as an example of how the sport can bring people together.

"I worked in Leopardstown for four years, and I'd be going racing and there's the same core group of people who are at pretty much every race meeting. Yes, they're there on their own, but they weren't actually on their own, because it's a race meeting. It's a coming together of people, and it's our secret sauce in a way. A really special thing is that you get to be part of a community of people where the horse brings us together."

Kerr adds, "I say it to our students here that we're so privileged that we get to be at that foaling, that we get to walk down to the stallion shed, and talk to champion sprinters, champion stayers. If you're having a bad day, go and talk to your favourite horse. There is so much that is good, and it's down to us to preserve it as best we can. There are always going to be things that are out of our control, but there are things that are within our control, there are levers that we can pull, and we have to activate them."

Share this story

Timeform's Top Juveniles cont. from p1

Barrow Boy is eligible for the new-look Windsor Castle as a son of the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes winner Bayside Boy, who is going great guns with his first crop in Europe, while his Listed-placed dam has already produced a Royal Ascot winner for these connections in the Listed Chesham Stakes heroine Snellen (Expert Eye).

Illumined herself is a half-sister to the G3 Preis der Winterkonigin winner Night Lagoon (Lagunas), perhaps best known as the dam of the multiple Group 1-winning sire Novellist and Irish Oaks heroine Magical Lagoon (Galileo).

=3. CARRY THE FLAG (IRE)

No Nay Never--Ejaazah (Ire), by Acclamation (GB)

Timeform performance rating: 92

Runner-up to Star Prospect (Starman) at the Curragh last month, Carry The Flag made rather heavy weather of it when getting off the mark at the second attempt at Naas on May 9. Sent off the 30/100 favourite for that 5f maiden, he was pushed along entering the final two furlongs before finally putting his head in front in the dying strides, ultimately getting the verdict by a head from his fast-finishing stablemate, Sun Goddess (*Sioux Nation*).

Nevertheless, the timefigure suggests this was a better performance from Carry The Flag than it might appear at first glance, with the promise of

more to come from him when he steps up to 6f. Bought for €250,000 at Book 1 of the Goffs Orby Yearling Sale, he isn't necessarily bred to stay much further as his dam was Listed-placed over 5f as a juvenile, while his half-sister, Secret Hideaway (*Starspangledbanner*), won last year's Listed Marygate Fillies' Stakes at the same trip.

=3. CONFUCIUS (IRE)

No Nay Never--Millisle (Ire), by Starspangledbanner (Aus)

Timeform performance rating: 92

Having been backed as if defeat was out of the question, Confucius made it a double for the Ballydoyle two-year-olds on that Naas card (May 9) when making all to win the maiden over just shy of 6f. He briefly looked threatened when tackled two furlongs out, but at the line he was going away again, appearing to have plenty in hand as he registered a near-four-length verdict in a 'TDN Rising Star' performance.



Confucius | *Racingfotos.com*

An unlucky loser when beaten a nose at the Curragh on April 3, Confucius remains very much a work in progress after just the two starts, but there should be a bigger effort in the locker when the situation demands it, with a step up in grade looking the obvious next step. Certainly, his pedigree is an ongoing recommendation as the third foal out of the G1 Cheveley Park Stakes scorer Millisle, hence his hefty price tag when bought by the Coolmore partners for 1.7 million gns at Book 1 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale.

=3. SILENT BEAUTY (IRE)

Night Of Thunder (Ire)--No Speak Alexander (Ire), by Shalaa (Ire)

Timeform performance rating: 92

Another 'TDN Rising Star' performance came from Amo Racing's Silent Beauty when she made a successful debut at Yarmouth on May 13. Sent off the 5/4 favourite for that 6f fillies' maiden, she travelled smoothly throughout and proceeded to

stretch clear in good style after being produced to lead two furlongs out, inflicting a four-length defeat on her seven rivals in the manner of a well above average prospect.

Like Confucius, Silent Beauty is bred in the purple as the second foal out of the G1 Matron Stakes winner No Speak Alexander. Bought for €1 million at Book 1 of the Goffs Orby, she certainly couldn't have made a more promising start to her career and all roads surely now lead to the G3 Albany Stakes at Royal

Ascot, with a step up to 7f promising to suit later in the season.

2. AL HUDAIBA (GB)

Dark Angel (Ire)--A'Shaari (GB), by Dubawi (Ire)

Timeform performance rating: 94

Royal Ascot is also likely to be the next port of call for Al Hudaiba following his debut success at Newmarket on May 15, with the first two from that 6f novice both appealing as very bright prospects for the future.

It was Victorious Forever's Mrair (Mehmas), a £880,000 purchase at the Goffs UK Doncaster Breeze-up Sale, who was sent off the 4/7 favourite, but his inexperience proved his undoing as a very slow start left him with loads to do. [Cont. p6](#)

 **FIND US ON FACEBOOK**
www.facebook.com/thoroughbreddailynews

Timeform's Top Juveniles cont.

Al Hudaiba, on the other hand, proved a model professional, just needing to be pushed out in the final furlong to get the verdict by a length and a half from Mrair, who produced a very encouraging effort of his own under the circumstances to pull five lengths clear of the third.

Both Al Hudaiba (94P) and Mrair (89P) have a large 'P' attached to their respective Timeform master ratings to denote that they are open to significant improvement, with a rematch in the G2 Coventry Stakes at Ascot potentially something to look forward to.

The first two-year-old runner of the season for the powerful Charlie Appleby stable, Al Hudaiba is bred to be much more than just a whizz-bang juvenile, too. He is the first foal out of a winning full-sister to the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac and GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf heroine Wuheida who, in turn, is out of the G1 Fillies' Mile and GI Yellow Ribbon Stakes scorer Hibaayeb (Singspiel).

1. CUT A DASH (GB)

Starspangledbanner (Aus)--Promising (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire)

Timeform performance rating: 98

Richard Hannon's Cut A Dash must be considered another likely sort for the Coventry following an impressive debut of his own at York on May 13. By far the most immature of the six runners in the preliminaries, including at the start, he nevertheless proved very professional in the event itself and looked a good prospect, sealing it with a turn of foot as he quickened clear under a hands-and-heels ride to win by nearly three lengths.

The timefigure for that 5f novice provides plenty of substance to the form, putting it right up there among the best two-year-old performances we've seen in Britain so far in 2026.



Cut A Dash strides clear of his rivals at York | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

Cut A Dash, who was very much the pick of the field on looks as well, possessing size and substance, should prove just as effective at 6f. All told, the Denford Stud homebred--who is out of the G3 Prestige Stakes runner-up Promising--is not one to underestimate when he tries his luck in deeper waters.

[Share this story](#)

EUROPEAN NEWS

FOREVER YOUNG HEADLINES STRONG PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE ENTRIES FOR JAPAN



Forever Young | Emma Berry

Breeders' Cup Classic winner **Forever Young** (Real Steel) spearheads a seven-strong entry from Japan for the 2026 G1 Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

Trained by Yoshito Yahagi, Forever Young became the first Japanese runner to win the Breeders' Cup Classic. He has also won back-to-back editions of the Saudi Cup and boasts career earnings in excess of €25 million. Yahagi has also entered **Shin Emperor** (Siyouni), who was down the field in the 2024 edition of the race.

Byzantine Dream (Epiphaneia) and **Alohi Alii** (Duramente) are also no strangers to ParisLongchamp. In September, Byzantine Dream lifted the G2 Qatar Prix Foy before finishing fifth in the Arc, while Alohi Alii also ran in Europe's richest race last year after winning the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano.

The five-year-old **Meisho Tabaru** has also received an entry. He is a son of Gold Ship, who was a runner in the 2014 edition of the Arc. Last year, Meisho Tabaru won the G1 Takarazuka Kinen, the final event of the Japanese spring season where fans cast votes to determine the runners. [Cont. p7](#)

Arc entries cont.

Another five-year-old is **Admire Terra** (Rey De Oro), who finished third in the G1 Osaka Hai in May. He is trained by Yasuo Tomomichi, who has already saddled Makahiki and Do Deuce in past editions of the Arc.

The Japanese entries also include the three-year-old filly **Juryoku Pierrot**, who is going to run in the G1 Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) on Sunday, May 25. She will be partnered by the 22-year-old female jockey Seina Imamura. Juryoku Pierrot is by Orfevre, twice runner-up in the Arc--in 2012 and 2013.

A total of 73 entries, compared to 78 in 2025, were received for the Group 1 that takes place on Sunday, October 4. Last year's winner **Daryz** (**Sea The Stars**), runner-up **Minnie Hauk** (**Frankel**) and third-placed **Sosie** (**Sea The Stars**) have all been entered again in the 2026 renewal.

[Share this story](#) 

INITIAL ENTRIES PUBLISHED FOR TATTERSALLS ONLINE BREEZE-UP SESSION



Iriseach | *Tattersalls Online*

Initial entries for the Tattersalls Online Breeze-Up Session have now been published and can be viewed [here](#). Now in its fourth year, the session features 21 two-year-olds who will breeze on the all-weather surface at Dundalk Stadium on Wednesday, May 27, before being offered in the Online June Sale on June 3-4.

The concept has been supported by leading breeze-up consignors, including Ballynure Park Stud, Bansha House Stables, C.A.J. Stables, Davis Bloodstock, Gary Bloodstock, Hyde Park Stud, Kildallan Farm, M.C. Thoroughbreds, Meadowview Stables, Powerstown Stud and The Bloodstock Connection.

Nineteen individual sires are represented, including proven Group/Grade 1 producers Ardad, Cotai Glory, **Starspangledbanner**, Ten Sovereigns, Too Darn Hot and **Twirling Candy**. Exciting young stallions are also represented in the catalogue, including **Blackbeard**, Persian Force and Starman.

Potential highlights include an Ardad half-brother to the GIII Cecil B. DeMille Stakes runner-up Iriseach (Ubettabelieveit), consigned by Hyde Park Stud. Iriseach himself is a previous graduate of the breeze-up session, having sold to Sean Davis Racing and GS Bloodstock for 15,000gns in 2025.

Tattersalls Online sales manager Katherine Sheridan said, "The Online Breeze-Up Session has firmly established itself as an important addition to the European breeze-up calendar, offering consignors an alternative route to market and access to a diverse range of quality two-year-olds for buyers.

"Dundalk provides an excellent environment to showcase the horses, while professional breeze footage, official timings and extended inspection opportunities give buyers a strong level of information ahead of the sale. This year's catalogue features a compelling mix of proven sire power, exciting young stallions and well-related two-year-olds. We look forward to another competitive session."

The Online Breeze-Up Session at Dundalk is again open to spectators and will be broadcast via live stream on the Tattersalls and Tattersalls Online websites, Facebook pages and on the Tattersalls Youtube channel. The breeze footage and official timings will be published online following the breeze.

All lots will be available for inspection at Dundalk on Wednesday, May 27 and prospective buyers are encouraged to arrange pre-sale inspections prior to the Online June Sale directly with consignors, using the contact details listed on the Tattersalls Online website.

Wildcard entries for the session will be accepted until Friday, May 22.

[Share this story](#) 

KAISER BALL HEADLINES RECORD TRADE AT THE GOFFS UK SPRING HIT/PTP SALE

The six-year-old **Kaiser Ball** (Nom de d'La) (lot 443) took star billing during a record-breaking session of the Goffs UK Spring HIT/PTP Sale on Wednesday when bought by Tom Malone for £360,000.

Last seen finishing third behind the subsequent dual Grade 1 winner King Rasko Grey (Galiway) in a maiden hurdle at Limerick over Christmas, Kaiser Ball was sold by Tony Costello of Treannahow Stables, who spoke afterwards of "a day of days".

"I knew he'd sell well," he added. "He's a proper Grade 1 horse with proper Grade 1 form. He ran once in a Fairyhouse bumper for Willie Mullins and he beat a Grade 1 horse [Eachtotheirrown] by seven and a half lengths, and he ran once for me in a Limerick maiden hurdle. I've never trained a winner under Rules, but he finished third behind King Rasko Grey, who was also mine to begin with."

Cont. p8



Tony Costello: sold the top lot at Doncaster on Wednesday
Sarah Farnsworth

"We gave King Rasko Grey 8lb and we were beaten five lengths. What was a maiden hurdle turned out to be a Grade 1. We took a gamble on bringing Kaiser Ball home and now it's paid off," Costello added.

Malone was clearly determined to secure Kaiser Ball as he took his rivals by surprise by opening the bidding at £100,000 and then quickly countered every other offer made for the horse.

"It's rare a horse like this comes to market," said Malone. "He won a bumper by over seven lengths and there were 140-rated horses everywhere around him in that race. He was third to a Cheltenham Festival winner on his first start over hurdles and hit the line hard that day, and all the horses around him on that day are all rated in the 140s, too.

"He's going to be a high-class black-type horse, if not better, in this country. If he stays sound, he'll end up at Cheltenham next year. To me, considering what some point-to-pointers can make, he's actually good value. It might sound like a silly thing to say, but he is."

Some £7,879,700 was spent at Doncaster on Wednesday, up 47% from last year's corresponding session and a long way in advance of the previous record figure of £6.8 million.

The average of £37,523 represented an 11% increase from 2025, while the clearance rate clocked in at a very healthy 86%. The sale concludes on Thursday, starting at 10am.

[Share this story](#) 

PERSONALISE YOUR TDN!

No matter where you are in the world, you can now **CHOOSE** what news section appears first when you download the TDN from our home page.

Make your choice at www.thetdn.com



FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Thursday, May 21, 2026:

UNITED KINGDOM

Caturra (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Overbury Stud
68 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:50-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, **Autumn Jewel (GB)**
6,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025
14:50-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, **Furturra (GB)**
6,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; 7,000gns
Tattersalls February Mixed Sale 2025; £15,000 Goffs UK Premier
Yearling Sale 2025
17:30-CHEPSTOW, 6f, **Nevernotrememberu (GB)**
2,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025

Dubawi Legend (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Starfield Stud
42 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
17:30-CHEPSTOW, 6f, **Benefacta (Ire)**
17:30-CHEPSTOW, 6f, **Metamouse (Ire)**
€8,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €18,000 Tattersalls
Ireland September Yearling 2025

Minzaal (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud
115 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
17:30-CHEPSTOW, 6f, **Marralyn (Ire)**
£30,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2025

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
99 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
16:03-HAYDOCK PARK, 6f, **Keep Kicking On (Ire)**
€25,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €85,000 Tattersalls
Ireland September Yearling 2025
16:03-HAYDOCK PARK, 6f, **Persian Land (Ire)**
€20,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; £32,000 Goffs UK
Premier Yearling Sale 2025
16:03-HAYDOCK PARK, 6f, **Walt (Ire)**
€19,000 Goffs February Sale 2025; €40,000 Goffs Orby Yearling
Sale (Book 2) 2025; 82,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale
2026

Space Traveller (GB) (**Bated Breath {GB}**), Starfield Stud
121 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
17:30-CHEPSTOW, 6f, **Ariane Sky (Ire)**
5,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025

State of Rest (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), Rathbarry Stud
 79 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 19:30-SOUTHWELL, 7f, **Guadalevin (Ire)**
 €32,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 60,000gns Tattersalls
 October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

BRITAIN

Wednesday's Results:

2nd-Great Yarmouth, £40,000, Nov, 5-20, 2yo, 6f 3yT, 1:13.02, gd.

PEACEFUL WARRIOR (IRE) (c, 2, No Nay Never--Salamah {Ire}, by Shamardal) was quickly into stride and raced on the front end throughout this debut. Gaining a slender advantage approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 11-2 chance was scrubbed along with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and kept on strongly in the closing stages to outpoint Bassrah (Wootton Bassett) by a length.

Peaceful Warrior is the latest of three foals, all winners, out of a winning full-sister to G1 Haydock Sprint Cup hero Emaraty Ana (Shamardal).

The winner, whose second dam is Listed Princess Royal Stakes victrix Spirit Of Dubai (Cape Cross), is a full-brother to the dual stakes-winning Brindi. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$28,933. O-Peaceful Warrior Partners; B-Framont Ltd; T-Kevin Ryan.

1st-Great Yarmouth, £11,000, Nov, 5-20, 2yo, f, 5f 42yT, 1:02.12, gd.

HAVANA LIGHTNING (GB) (f, 2, Havana Grey {GB}--Persaria {GB}, by Equiano {Fr}), who ran fifth of eight over five furlongs at Newmarket in her Apr. 15 unveiling last time, broke swiftly and led from flagfall here. Holding sway throughout, the 3-1 second choice was shaken up soon after passing the quarter-mile pole and ridden out inside the final furlong to defeat Havana Sprite (Havana Grey) by 1 1/2 lengths.

Havana Lightning, half to a yearling colt by Dragon Symbol, is the second foal and scorer produced by a winning full-sister to three-time Group 1 winner The Tin Man (Equiano).

Her dam is also a half-sister to multiple Group winner Deacon Blues (Compton Place), the dual stakes-placed Holley Shiftwell (Bahamian Bounty) and to the dam of G1 British Champions Sprint hero Kind Of Blue (Blue Point). Sales history: 110,000gns Wlg '24 TADEWE. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$8,817. O-Shapoor Mistry; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud; T-George Boughey.



Ruler's Pride at Park Paddocks | Tattersalls

1st-Ayr, £10,000, Mdn, 5-20, 2yo, 5fT, :59.35, g/f.

RULER'S PRIDE (IRE) (c, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Superiority {Ire}, by Exceed And Excel {Aus}), who cost £550,000 when the highest-priced colt at last month's Tattersalls Craven Breeze-up Sale, was soon in front of his two rivals under Clifford Lee. Strong to the line, the 30-100 favourite had 3 1/4 lengths to spare over fellow newcomer Crystal Queen (Cotai Glory).

"He was still very green, but he gave me a nice feel and did it well," Lee said. "I like the way he picked up and he was straightforward. He looks a lovely type and has plenty of speed, but could possibly stay later on. He'll learn a lot from this physically and mentally."

The dam, who has a filly foal by Big Evs, is a daughter of the Listed Marygate Stakes winner Janina (Namid) and therefore a half to the Commonwealth Cup, Prix Morny and Queen Mary heroine Campanelle (Kodiac). The third dam is the G3 Dubai International Airport World Trophy winner Lady Dominatrix (Danehill Dancer) in a family that is all about speed.

Sales history: 550,000gns 2yo '26 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,233.

O-Wathnan Racing; B-Tally Ho Stud; T-Karl Burke.

[Share this story](#)

1st-Kempton, £10,000, Nov, 5-20, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:14.70, st/sl.

MAGNESIUM (GB) (f, 2, Ubettabelieveit {Ire}--Dharwa {GB}, by Equiano {Fr}), a May 8 debut seventh going five furlongs at Ascot in her only prior start, recovered from a slightly tardy getaway to lead after the initial exchanges here. In command for the most part, the 6-1 chance came under pressure approaching the final furlong and was ridden out to deny Heldobeldo (Kameko) by 3/4-of-a-length.



[Click Here](#)

to be added to our mailing list to receive the TDN in your inbox every day

[Cont. p10](#)

1st-Kempton cont.

Magnesium, full to a yearling colt, is the seventh of eight foals and fourth scorer produced by an unraced granddaughter of four-time Group 3 winner Tropical (Green Desert), herself the dam of the dual Group 3-winning G1 Golden Shaheen runner-up Tropical Star (Machiavellian). Sales history: £30,000 Ylg '25 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$7,233. O-Abdullateef Al Zeer; B-Richard & Nell Kent; T-John Butler.

3rd-Kempton, £8,000, Novice, 5-20, 3-5yo, 7f (AWT), 1:27.37, st/sl.

CROSSBAR (IRE) (g, 3, Phoenix Of Spain {Ire}--Scintillating {Ire}, by Cape Cross {Ire}), sent off the 100-30 joint-second favourite, raced in last after a tardy break and was still there turning for home. Staying on powerfully to take command inside the final furlong, the newcomer asserted to beat Hamda's Joy (Kodi Bear) by two lengths.

The dam, whose yearling filly is by Supremacy, is a full-sister to the dual Listed scorer and multiple Group-placed Crosspeace (Cape Cross). She is also a half to the dam of the stakes winner Quinta Verde (Tamayuz), who was third in the G3 Balanchine Stakes.

Sales history: €9,000 Wlg '23 GOFNOF; 37,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,787. O-Mr J Kimber & Aura Racing; B-M Phelan; T-Clive Cox.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Spirit Of Saxony (Ire), g, 3, **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)**--Power's Dream (Ire), by Power (GB). Kempton, 5-20, 7f (AWT), 1:26.82. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$12,647. B-Kilfeacle Stud. *€27,000 RNA Wlg '23 GOFNOF; 15,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. **Full to Pure Circle (Ire), SP-lty.

IRELAND

Wednesday's Results:

5th-Gowran, €18,000, Cond, 5-20, 3yo/up, 9f 100yT, 2:01.90, g/y.

SPARAN NUA (IRE) (f, 3, Dawn Approach {Ire}--Sparanai, by Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), off the mark in style on debut at Naas earlier this month, tracked the leading pair early. Surging to the front two out, the 2-1 second favourite drew clear impressively to record a 4 1/2-length success from Vauntingly (Night Of Thunder).

"I thought when I won on her at Naas that she had a lot of class," said jockey Declan McDonagh. "When I wanted to get a bit closer, she did everything wrong across the top, lugging left and was just green.



Sparan Nua | Racingfotos.com

"It happens quick here and she adapted and hit the line strongly. She was only getting the message inside the furlong pole and she'd have learned loads there. There's every chance she'll get a mile and a half."

Jim Bolger's travelling head man Ger Flynn added, "Declan said she is very, very classy. Very smart. He said everything went wrong for her. It wasn't the way he wanted to ride her at all. He said she just oozes class--the minute he pressed the button, it was all over in two strides. He said she could be an Oaks filly and he's riding enough of them to know. He was blown away with her there."

The dam, who also has a yearling full-brother to the winner, is a granddaughter of the unraced Out Too Late (Future Storm), who produced Mr. Greeley's Phoenix Stakes and Moyglare Stud Stakes winner and 1,000 Guineas third Saoirse Abu. The esteemed family of the Oaks and Irish Derby-winning champion Balanchine also includes the smart stakes-winning sprinters Make A Challenge (Invincible Spirit) and She's Quality (Acclamation), with the latter having also finished second in the G2 King George Stakes and G2 Temple Stakes. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$21,728. O-Mrs J S Bolger; B/T-Jim Bolger.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sanctijude (Ire), f, 3, **Churchill (Ire)**--Byzantium (GB) (MSP-Ire), by Dutch Art (GB). Gowran, 5-20, 8fT, 1:42.84. Lifetime Record: 10-1-3-2, \$35,863. B-Trevor Dalzell & Castletown Bloodstock. *€65,000 Ylg '24 GOFORY.

Rolltight (Ire), g, 3, **Lucky Vega (Ire)**--Street Marie, by Street Cry (Ire). Gowran, 5-20, 8fT, 1:38.79. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$12,093. B-Yulong Investments (Australia) Pty. *37,000gns Wlg '23 TADEWE; 62,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT.

FRANCE

Wednesday's Results:

7th-Compiègne, €24,700, Mdn, 5-20, 3yo, c/g, 12fT, 2:42.01, hy. DEFINING (GB) (c, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Golden Valentine {Fr} {GSW-Fr}, by Dalakhani {Ire}), third at Saint-Cloud last month, raced behind the early pace. Committed against the stand's rail at the top of the straight, the 9-5 joint-favourite stayed on best to score by 3/4-of-a-length from Sumaco (Frankel).

The winner is currently the last known foal out of the G3 Prix Minerve-winning dam and a full-brother to the Futurity Trophy hero Ancient Wisdom, as well as the stakes-placed Intricacy. The G3 Prix Cleopatre-winning second dam Gold Round (Caerleon) is kin to the peerless champion Goldikova (Anabaa).

Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, €16,425.

O/B-LNJ Foxwoods SC & Ecurie des Monceaux; T-Francis Graffard.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Blackclover (Fr), f, 3, Bated Breath (GB)--Sundaze (Fr), by Shalaa (Ire). Compiègne, 5-20, 12fT, 2:45.66. B-SCEA des Prairies, B Jeffroy & T Jeffroy.

Mapaquita (Fr), f, 3, Battle Of Marengo (Ire)--One And Only (Fr), by Muhtathir (GB). Nancy, 5-20, 10fT, 2:06.08. B-Christophe Mongin.

Heroïste (Ire), f, 3, Muhaarar (GB)--Dancing On A Dream (Ire), by Dream Ahead. Compiègne, 5-20, 7fT, 1:28.13. B-Oak Hill Stud. *€35,000 Ylg '24 ARQOCT.

Like It Or Not (GB), g, 4, Cracksman (GB)--Needleleaf (GB), by Observatory. Nancy 5-20, 12 1/2fT, 2:49.33. B-Haras d'Haspel. *€290,000 RNA Ylg '23 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Native Trail (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), MG1SW-Ire & G1SW-Eng.



EUROPEAN-BRED
WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Violent Star (Fr), g, 4, Sioux Nation--Sea Goddess (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Happy Valley, 5-20, Hcp., 1650mT, 1:39.75, gd. B-Snowdrop Stud Co Ltd (Fr). *€80,000 Ylg '23 ARQOCT; €300,000 2yo '24 ARQMAY. **1/2 to Point Nepean (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), SW-Aus, \$399,167. **VIDEO.**

Want to send a "LETTER TO THE EDITOR"
of the Thoroughbred Daily News?

Send an e-mail to: editor@thetdn.com

LOOKING
FOR A PAST
EDITION OF
THE TDN  ?

Step 1

visit www.thetdn.com

[Download Today's Edition](#) ▾

[PDF Archive](#)

[Subscribe](#)

Step 2

Click on the
PDF ARCHIVE tab
and select **Past TDNs**
by date.

Thursday, ParisLongchamp, France, post time: 19:33

PRIX AGA KHAN IV (PRIX D'ISPAHAN)-G1, €250,000, 4yo/up, 9 1/4fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	3	Daryz (Fr)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Graffard	Barzalona	128
2	1	Leffard (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Rouget	Demuro	128
3	2	Sosie (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Fabre	Guyon	128
4	5	Divine Chrisnat (Fr)	Bow Creek (Ire)	Plisson	Grandin	125
5	4	Qilin Queen (Ire)	Pinatubo (Ire)	Walker	Shoemark	125

Daryz drops back from the Ganay in which he was so impressive as he tackles last year's winner **Sosie**. Both are top-class at a mile and a half and have the pace to make a mark over shorter, with Daryz possibly possessing a touch more class, though he doesn't have the favourable weight-for-age advantage he had when putting nearly six lengths between them in the Arc. Last year's Grand Prix de Paris winner **Leffard** has plenty to find with the front two. [Tom Frary].

Thursday, ParisLongchamp, France, post time: 20:50

PRIX VICOMTESSE VIGIER-G1, €400,000, 4yo/up, 15 1/2fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	9	Asmarani (Ire)	Sottsass (Fr)	Graffard	Barzalona	126
2	6	Al Riffa (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	J O'Brien	McMonagle	126
3	4	Rashford (Fr)	Zarak (Fr)	Donworth	Lemaitre	126
4	5	Arrow Eagle (Fr)	Gleneagles (Ire)	Rouget	Demuro	126
5	7	Caballo De Mar (Ire)	Phoenix Of Spain (Ire)	Scott	O Murphy	126
6	3	Double Major (Ire)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Ferland	Guyon	126
7	1	Fairy Glen (Fr)	Farhh (GB)	S & E Crisford	Soumillon	122
8	8	Consent (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Prescott	Morris	122
9	2	Santorini Star (Ire)	Golden Horn (GB)	Haggas	Marquand	122

Lightly-raced, unexposed and from the Aga Khan Studs and the Graffard stable, **Asmarani** ticks all the boxes and has been seeing off **Double Major** on a regular basis this spring, but has yet to do so on level weights and that is the least of his worries in so deep against established Group 1 performers. They include the Royallieu one-two **Consent** and **Santorini Star**, the Irish St Leger hero **Al Riffa**, Prix Royal-Oak winner **Arrow Eagle** and Prix du Cadran scorer **Caballo De Mar**. Four of these hold entries in next month's Gold Cup, but this could be more one for the speedier types and is sure to be a fascinating encounter. [Tom Frary].

Thursday, ParisLongchamp, France, post time: 18:58

PRIX DU PALAIS-ROYAL-G3, €137,200, 3yo/up, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Lanzelot Gold (Fr)	Toronado (Ire)	Mosse	Demuro	130
2	2	Noble Champion (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Walker	Shoemark	130
3	5	Lazzat (Fr)	Territories (Ire)	Reynier	Barzalona	130
4	1	Silius (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Ferland	Guyon	130
5	3	Rencontre Sportive (Fr)	Seabhac	Shimizu	Nicoleau	119

It's fair to say that **Lazzat** hasn't looked the same animal since landing the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes last June, when he would have picked up the sprinters he was beaten by last time in the Al Quoz Sprint and carried them. Maybe this return to seven will help him get back whatever he's lost, but he has an outside draw at a notoriously tricky track for this trip and a fair rival in **Silius** who has smart form around here. Last year's Jersey winner **Noble Champion** hasn't been seen since pulling in the Lennox in July and faces a stiff test after such an absence. [Tom Frary].

Visit TDN SALES STATISTICS

By Stallion:

Type Sire Name:

Sorted by:

Year

Sale Type

[Generate Report](#)

By Sale Type & Year

Yearlings

2016

Top 10

Average Price

Check here for:

All-Crops

First-Crop sires

Second-Crop Sires

Third-Crop sires

All Sires

North American Sires

European Sires

North American and European Sires

Sires Standing Outside NA & EU

[Generate Report](#)

To view sires' cumulative annual sales averages, sortable by standing location and crop year.

[\[click here\]](#)