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INJURY KEEPS IRAD ORTIZ OUT OF ALABAMA, JOSE ORTIZ WILL RIDE COUNTING STARS

Saratoga Notebook, Presented by NYRA Bets



Counting Stars will have a new rider in the Alabama | *Sarah Andrew*

by Tim Wilkin

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – **Counting Stars** (Honor A.P.) needed a new partner. Hall of Fame trainer Mark Casse did not have to look too far to get one.

With regular rider Irad Ortiz, Jr. still ailing with a swollen left foot, Casse reached out to his brother, Jose, to step in and ride the big filly in Saturday's $600,000 GI Alabama Stakes at Saratoga.

West Point Thoroughbreds's Counting Stars is the overwhelming 1-2 morning-line favorite for the meet's premier race for 3-year-old fillies.

"I'm not concerned at all," Casse said by phone Friday afternoon. "I just feel bad for Irad."

Steve Rushing, the agent for Irad and Jose, said via text that Irad "is not riding until further notice. Has an appointment with the doctor (Saturday)."

Irad Ortiz was set to breeze a horse Friday morning but did not feel right and that was scrapped. So too was the plan to return to riding on Saturday. He was scheduled to ride three races on the Alabama card. ***Cont. p3***

KHRGC REJECTS INDEPENDENT HEARING OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT BORELL TRAINING LICENSE *by T.D. Thornton*

The Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation (KHRGC) on Friday rebuffed Maria Borell's latest attempt to regain her training license.

Borell's attorney, Bob Heleringer, told *TDN* that it's back to Franklin Circuit Court now that his client's racing commission-level appeals have been exhausted.

"We'll win the next heat," Heleringer predicted. "The KHRGC has no facts and no law to continue its vendetta against Maria Borell, who has done absolutely nothing wrong, as the hearing officer held. Inevitable justice awaits us in the Kentucky courts of law."

After the Aug. 21 KHRGC meeting--at which Borell's fate was discussed only in closed session before board members reconvened for a quick, public voice vote--Borell alleged on social media that "selective enforcement" was behind the regulators' rejection of an independent hearing officer's report. ***Cont. p6***

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BACIO ROLLS IN NUNTHORPE FOR AMERICA

Bacio (Maclean's Music) won the G1 Coolmore City Of Troy Nunthorpe Stakes at York on Friday. Tom Frary has the details.



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The Puma (Essential Quality) shows his pearly whites at bath time after a six-furlong work over Saratoga's main track Friday morning. | Sarah Andrew

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The retired trainer has been on an international tour with his Ballston Spa entrant.

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9:10p	**Del Mar Oaks-GI**, DMR	TJCIS PPs	FS1/FDTV
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In her last two starts, Counting Stars won the GI Coaching Club American Oaks on July 25 by 4 1/4 lengths and the GI Acorn Stakes by 3 3/4 lengths with Irad Ortiz in the irons. Finishing second in both races was 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Always a Runner (Gun Runner), who was ridden by Jose Ortiz.

"Jose knows (Counting Stars) pretty good," Casse said with a laugh. "He has seen her rear end the last two times."

Jose Ortiz, the leading rider at the meet, rode Counting Stars once, in her second career start, the Myrtlewood Stakes at Keeneland last October. They finished fifth and Casse has forgotten that race. Counting Stars has won five of her eight starts since then.



Irad Ortiz at Saratoga Friday | *Sarah Andrew*

When Jose Ortiz meets Counting Stars in the paddock on Saturday, Casse knows he will be prepared.

"Jose will know what every horse is going to do; he's a complete professional," Casse said. "He studies the races pretty hard."

Casse said that when Irad Ortiz returns to riding, he will get the mount on Counting Stars back. He also said that Jose Ortiz will be back aboard Nitrogen (Medaglia d'Oro), who was second in the GI Whitney Stakes behind Sovereignty (Into Mischief) on Aug. 8. ***Cont.***



Saratoga Notebook, cont.



A full winner's circle for the CCA Oaks | *Sarah Andrew*

Jose Ortiz rode Magnitude (Not This Time) in the Whitney and they finished sixth as the favorite. Nitrogen, the 4-year-old filly, is expected to make her next start in the GII Fasig-Tipton Locust Grove Stakes at Churchill Downs Sept. 12.

Jose Ortiz had ridden Nitrogen in her last 14 starts before taking off to ride Magnitude. Hall of Famer John Velazquez rode Nitrogen in the Whitney.

"We understood completely why Jose rode Magnitude," Casse said. "Nitrogen is his."

Casse heads into the Alabama, a race he won last year with Nitrogen--the Eclipse Award winner for 3-year-old filly--full of confidence.

"It's her race to lose," Casse said. "If she brings her 'A' game, she is going to be extremely tough to beat. Right now, she is as good, if not better, as she has ever been. I am pretty confident. Not being cocky or anything, but I experct to win. You ask me the question, yeah, I expect to win."

The Puma Tunes Up for Travers

This weekend promises to have a flurry of horses having final works for next Saturday's $1.25-million GI Travers Stakes. **The Puma** (Essential Quality) got a head start on them as he worked six furlongs in 1:14.76 (1/1) Friday morning on the main track.

With Hall of Famer Javier Castellano--who has won the Travers a record seven times--aboard, The Puma entered the track at 8:45 a.m. for his third Spa work since arriving here following a fourth-place finish in the GI Haskell Stakes at Monmouth Park on July 18.

"I like the way he did it today," Castellano said outside trainer Gustavo Delgado's barn at the Oklahoma Training Track. "That was what I was looking for. Our goal was maintenance and a good gallop out." ***Cont.***



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The Puma works Friday with Javier Castellano up | *Sarah Andrew*

The Puma, owned by OGMA Investments, LLC, JR Ranch, High Step Racing, LLC, TCC Stables, LLC and YNG Stables LLC, has won one of five career starts with two seconds and a third.

His lone win came in the GIII Tampa Bay Derby on March 7 and then he just missed in the GI Florida Derby three weeks later, losing by a nose to Commandment (Into Mischief). He missed the GI Kentucky Derby because of leg swelling and returned in the Haskell.

Now, he gets his chance to run against the big boys in the division, led by GI Kentucky Derby and GI Belmont Stakes winner Golden Tempo (Curlin), a 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard', and Renegade (Into Mischief), who won the GII Jim Dandy.

The Puma will also see a couple of familiar faces in Baby Vino (Vino Rosso), a 28-1 longshot who beat GI Preakness Stakes winner Napoleon Solo (Liam's Map) by a half-length in the Haskell.

Both of those horses are pointed to the Travers.

"They are all good horses in this race," Delgado said. "But everything is good with our horse."

"We could be a longshot," Castellano said.

Castellano is no stranger to longshot winners in the Midsummer Derby. Of his seven winners in the Travers, four of them had odds of 7-1 or higher with the topper being Keen Ice (Curlin), who was 16-1 when he upset Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) in 2015. ***Cont.***

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Trainer George Boughey discusses stable star Survie, who beat the boys in the GI Christophe Clement Stakes and is bound for the Breeders' Cup



Sovereignty Gets Back to Work

Hall of Fame trainer Bill Mott spotted his assistant, Neil Poznansky, in the shedrow of his barn at the Oklahoma Training Track Friday morning.

Poznansky had just finished working GI Whitney Stakes winner **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief) four furlongs in :49.85 (23/33) on the Oklahoma, his first work since winning the Whitney by 4 3/4 lengths on Aug. 8.

"A Sunday stroll," Poznansky yelled to his boss and Mott smiled.

Sovereignty, a Godolphin homebred, worked with regular workmate Thunder Roll (Hard Spun), a 4-year-old gelding, who was ridden by jockey Junior Alvarado, Sovereignty's afternoon partner.

"I thought it went very smoothly," Mott said. "Just a nice, useful kind of work, that is all. I already know he can run."

Sovereignty, the 2025 Horse of the Year, is now being pointed to the $1-million GI Jockey Club Gold Cup on Sept. 18, opening day of the new Belmont Park. There, he could meet Japan's Forever Young (Real Steel {Jpn}), winner of 11 of 15 career starts, including last year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

Mott said Sovereignty will likely ship downstate the Monday before the race and train for three days at Belmont before running in the 1 1/4-Jockey Club Gold Cup.



Under Neil Poznansky, Sovereignty works Friday | *Sarah Andrew*

"That is a good distance for him; he is 3-for-3 at that trip," Mott said.

Sovereignty's win in the Whitney snapped a two-race losing streak that he started the year with. It also gave every indication that he is indeed as good as he was last year when he stacked up wins in the GI Kentucky Derby, GI Belmont Stakes and GI Travers Stakes.

"It could be very boring if you don't have one like that," Mott said. 'It's challenging, believe me, it's not without challenges.

"We expect a lot out of ourselves and a lot out of him. And other people expect a lot of you, too."

Mott also said that C R K Stable and Grandview Equine's Baeza (McKinzie), who was fourth in the Whitney, could be on his way out west to run in the $300,000 GI Goodwood Stakes over nine furlongs at Santa Anita on Sept. 26.

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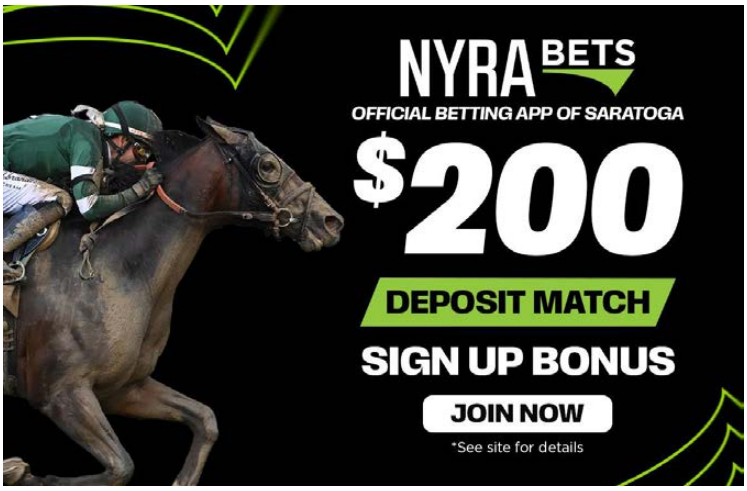

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The report had concluded the KHRGC "failed to provide adequate due process and failed to present proof" in keeping Borell from obtaining a license last year. The report also recommended that the KHRGC go ahead and grant her a license.

Although Borell hasn't started a Thoroughbred in 10 years and compiled only a 6-for-46 record during the brief period between 2013 and 2016 when she did train horses, her saga has generated outsized news coverage over the last decade because of the polarizing nature of her career arc and the legal entanglement of horse neglect allegations that followed.

Over the span of seven months in 2015 and 2016, Borell, now 43, went from conditioning a Breeders' Cup winner in just her 30th lifetime start as a trainer--the sprint champion Runhappy--to making national headlines for being a no-show in the face of animal cruelty charges at a Kentucky farm leased by her father.

When sheriff's investigators found 43 underfed, confined horses with open sores, untrimmed feet, and no one seemingly present to care for them in mid-2016, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture stepped in to rehome the horses and provide them with veterinary care.

Determining that those horses had been abandoned by Chuck and Maria Borell, Class A misdemeanor charges and arrest warrants were issued for the father-and-daughter pair.

Chuck Borell was arrested on July 29, 2016. ***Cont.***

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Two months later he pleaded guilty (without making an actual admission of guilt) in Mercer County District Court. He was to serve two years of probation in return for relinquishing any ownership interest he had in the 43 horses that subsequently got moved to 14 different farms.

Maria Borell did not initially answer her charges and was widely reported to have fled her home state of Kentucky.

For six years, authorities considered her a fugitive from justice. But, when queried by *TDN* at the outset of the case, county law enforcement officials admitted they did not have the resources to pursue alleged misdemeanor-level offenders out of state.



Maria Borell at Keeneland in 2015 | *Coady*

In 2022, Borell turned herself in, and in an effort to clear her name, initially pleaded not guilty.

In 2023, Borell's legal team negotiated a plea deal in which all the charges from 2016 were dismissed and expunged.

That arrangement centered on a contention that the charges against her would be difficult to prove given that the affected horses were not under her immediate care at the time.

Borell ended up paying the $7,500 bail bond (plus an additional $2,500 held in escrow) to Thoroughbred Charities of America, which had paid as much as $13,000 toward caring for the horses.

She also reportedly negotiated a settlement for outstanding debt incurred at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital.

In September 2024, Borell was licensed as a trainer in California. The management at Santa Anita Park initially balked at granting her access, but she was eventually assigned stalls at Los Alamitos Race Course.

Then the horse owner who had promised to send her Thoroughbreds came down with health issues and decided to keep his stock in Kentucky, so Borell never ended up starting any horses out West.

In June 2025, the KHRGC's license review committee went into closed session to debate Borell's application for licensure. They then informed her in public that if she did not withdraw her license request, the committee's vote would "almost certainly result in denial of this application."

Borell's legal team withdrew the application, took the matter to court, and then followed through with the next procedural step, which was an administrative hearing held Mar. 31, 2026.

That hearing resulted in the June 2 hearing officer's report that stated, "Borell's proof was more persuasive than the [KHRGC's] proof on the issue of whether her license should be renewed. The [KHRGC's] case lacked substance and was not convincing on the issues presented [and] the asserted grounds for denying Borell's license were vague and inconsistent throughout this matter."

At the Aug. 21 KHRGC meeting, the KHRGC was tasked with either accepting or rejecting that hearing officer's report and the recommendation to grant the license.

The KHRGC's chairman, Jonathan Rabinowitz, explained at the start of the meeting that "the Borell matter" would be addressed by going into closed session.

There was no testimony taken from Borell or her legal team, and the topic was not discussed at all during the public portion of Friday's KHRGC meeting.

When the board reconvened after the closed session, Rabinowitz called for a vote to "reject the recommendation of the hearing officer and adopt appellee's proposed recommended order."

A voice vote affirmed the rejection, with one abstention. No one voted against the motion.

After the meeting, Borell wrote on the X social media platform, "Today the board denied my license, and it wasn't a surprise to me. It's exactly what I expected.

"They didn't want to deal with me, not the facts, not the hearing officer's findings," Borell continued. "There is no legal or factual reason for this denial. The hearing officer spent 7 hours hearing evidence and testimony and concluded there was no evidence to support denial. He formally recommended reinstatement. That recommendation is part of the official record."

Borell then addressed the animal cruelty allegations from a decade ago.

"I had zero involvement with the farm connected to the dismissed case. I was living over a thousand miles away and had no role in its operations. The case was dismissed by Kentucky's own court system, expunged, and legally treated as if it never occurred. Under Kentucky law, expunged matters cannot be used in licensing decisions. ***Cont.***

Maria Borell, cont.

"My record in racing is clean: no drug positives, no disciplinary violations, and full compliance with every requirement. Meanwhile, this industry has a long, well-documented pattern: men are given second, third, and fourth chances, even after multiple medication positives, suspensions, and serious violations. I have none of those issues, yet I was denied.

"The administrative process is now complete, and I am free to speak openly. This now moves to court, where decisions are based on evidence, law, and fairness, not personal vendettas, politics, or selective enforcement," Borell wrote.

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SUNLIT UPLANDS KEEPS RAE GUEST BUSY IN RETIREMENT *by Mike Kane*



Sunlit Uplands heads to the track | *Sarah Andrew*

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – Thanks to **Sunlit Uplands (Ire)** (Sands of Mali {Fr}), Rae Guest's first full year of retirement has been anything but boring.

After completing a career of some 60 years as a jockey and a British-based trainer last fall, Guest and his wife, Rachel Flynn, have been on an international tour with their 4-year-old filly now trained by his longtime friend Stuart Williams. Seven weeks after she secured a group stakes victory, the Hamburg Fillies' Mile in Germany, Sunlit Uplands has brought them to North America, where she will face seven other fillies and mares in the $300,000 GII Ballston Spa Saturday at Saratoga Race Course.

The Ballston Spa, contested at 1 1/16 miles over the inner turf course, has drawn a field of accomplished stakes runners that includes Juddmonte's two-time GI winner **Segesta** (Ghostzapper), trained by Chad Brown, and the top two finishers in last year's Ballston Spa, **Ozara** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) and **Deep Satin** (American Pharoah).

Guest, 76, described the Ballston Spa as the next logical step for the filly's fourth start of what has been an improving season.

"She's a stakes winner, and we were looking to upgrade," Guest said. "She won a Group 3 in Germany, and we wanted to upgrade her stakes performances."

Guest did quite well in his lone visit to Saratoga Springs, saddling Rosa Grace (GB) (Lomitas {GB}) for a second-place finish in the 2008 GII Lake Placid. Eighteen years later, he said Saratoga has not changed a great deal.

"That was the first and only time I've been here," he said. "I think it's a bit more commercial, maybe, but the racetrack, that seems the same with the picnics and everything. That all looks just the same, yeah, and people seemed to love it. We were here Sunday, and it was packed, and everybody was enjoying it."

Sunlit Uplands started her 2026 campaign at Lingfield in England with a fourth-place finish in the G3 Chartwell Fillies Stakes, a seven-furlong straight test on May 9. Williams said she probably need the race, her first since late November, and didn't have the best of trips. She registered a better outing on June 7 in Italy, finishing second by 1 3/4 lengths in the one-mile Premio XCVII Royal Mares listed stake at San Siro.

The success in Germany, scampering away to win by three lengths at one mile over yielding turf, led to the trip to Saratoga.

"We thought it was a good idea, and she's in good form," Guest said. "Stuart was pointing towards running at this time. It's a nice adventure."

The New York Racing Association has recruited European horsemen, Guest said, with the offer to cover some travel expenses if the horse does not finish first or second.

"It's a good incentive to get people from abroad to come," he said. "It helps make racing more interesting."

Indeed, European-based runners have done very well at Saratoga this summer, picking up four wins in Grade I races and one in a Grade II. ***Cont.***



Sunlit Uplands | *Sarah Andrew*



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Sunlit Uplands, cont.

Kensington Lane (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) started things off with a victory in the GI Belmont Oaks on July 4. Two races later on that program, Title Role (GB) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) won the GI Belmont Derby. Title Role subsequently finished third to Glacius (GB) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) in the GI Saratoga Derby on Aug. 8. Michael Tabor's 5-year-old mare Survie (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) delivered a brilliant stakes double, winning the GII Glens Falls on Aug. 2 and taking the GI Christophe Clement over males on Aug. 15.

Williams did not make the trip to Saratoga, but he will have a very experienced hand covering for him.

"He's left us in charge," Guest said, chuckling.

Does that mean the co-owner will handle the saddling of the filly?

"Yeah, well the valets usually do it, don't they?" Guest said, "but I'll be there helping."

There has been a solid Williams connection at Saratoga, though. Williams's daughter, Sophie Jones, is working for trainer Kenny McPeek, whose stable is about 40 yards from the quarantine barn.

"The whole team has been very helpful," Guest said, "helping us understand everything."

Hall of Fame rider John Velazquez, with a record five wins in the race, has the mount on Sunlit Uplands, who has competed on nine tracks in four countries and has a 4-3-0 record from 11 starts. She drew Post 2 in the Ballston Spa, just to the outside of Ozara, who won the race last year by 1 1/2 lengths for trainer Miguel Clement. Dylan Davis, who was aboard in the Ballston Spa, returns to the irons.

Live Oak Plantation's **And One More Time** (Omaha Beach), trained by Hall of Famer Mark Casse, has won five of 10 starts in her career and prepped for the Ballston Spa with a gate-to-wire



Ozara | *Sarah Andrew*



Segesta schools | *Sarah Andrew*

triumph in the listed De La Rose on July 17 at Saratoga.

Trainer Chad Brown will saddle three runners, Segesta, Flanagan Racing's **Grayosh** (Yoshida {Jpn}) and LSU Stable's **Play With Fire** (Oscar Performance) in his quest for a record-extending ninth win in the race. Segesta opened her 2026 campaign with a victory in the GI Jenny Wiley at Keeneland, was third by 1 3/4 lengths in the GI Just A Game on June 6 and finished second by a half-length in the GI Diana on July 18.

Guest grew up in a racing family of trainers and jockeys in England and said he has been actively involved in the sport since he was about 15 years old. During a riding career that continued until he turned to training at the age of 40, he said he won 17 Classic races abroad. His resume includes Triple Crown wins in Scandinavia, India and Holland. Returning to England to ride, he went to work for trainer Luca Cumani and rode horses for him in many top-level races.

Once he made the switch to training full-time, Guest found success with high-quality horses he handled in his yard at Newmarket. Along the way, he had four Group or Grade I victories, including the 2010 Nearctic at Woodbine with Serious Attitude (Ire) (Mtoto {GB}).

When Guest decided to step away from the business at the end of 2024, he notified his owners that they would have to move to other trainers. He did continue to handle a few last year, including Sunlit Uplands, whom he saddled for the last time on Nov. 20. He said his wife named the horse with an eye toward accomplishment, reaching the reward of retirement, from Sir Winston Churchill's famous Their Finest Hour speech, the day after France fell to Hitler in 1940: "If we can stand up to him, all Europe may be free and the life of the world may move forward into broad, sunlit uplands."

So far, retirement has worked out quite well for Guest and Flynn. ***Cont.***

Sunlit Uplands, cont.

"My wife and I bought some land outside Newmarket, which we're going to have horses on. We're building that up," he said. "We've had a lot of fun with this filly. We've been to Milan and Germany with her, and now Saratoga. So, we're keeping busy and enjoying it."

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KNIGHTSBRIDGE-LED PACIFIC CLASSIC ONE OF TWO 'WAYI' RACES SATURDAY

by Stefanie Grimm

Despite the loss of top West Coast names like Journalism (Curlin) and Nysos (Nyquist), Saturday's GI Pacific Classic still features an 11-deep field of hopefuls vying for a 'Win and You're In' spot in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Keeneland Oct. 31.

The retirement of those two stars has led to several East Coast shippers making the trip out to California with trainers such as Saffie Joseph, Jr., Brendan Walsh, Bill Mott and Brad Cox all lined up for a chance.



Knightsbridge at Saratoga | *Sarah Andrew*

'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' **Knightsbridge** (Nyquist) ships out for his California debut for Mott and owner/breeder Godolphin off a 10 1/4-length romp in the GIII Monmouth Cup going 1 1/8 miles July 18. The Pacific Classic will mark just his second Grade I start after he ran sixth as the favorite in the Churchill Downs Stakes May 2. It will also be his first try going 1 1/4 miles.

"It's a new challenge, going 10 furlongs," Mott said. "That can be a deal breaker. I've never seen him do it before. A lot of people think they can go a mile and a quarter in the Kentucky Derby and they don't do it. It's the American Classic distance, it sorts them out pretty good."

Knightsbridge has been on track several times since arriving last weekend, with Mott noting that "everything looks good to me. No negatives so far."

An interesting group of challengers is lined up inside of that wide-drawn favorite including a G1 Dubai World Cup winner in **Hit Show** (Candy Ride {Arg}), who returns to California for the first time since he ran third in last year's GI Santa Anita Handicap. With earnings of over $9.5m, the 6-year-old ran fifth in Dubai this year behind Magnitude (Not This Time), then returned to the States to be third as the favorite in the GIII Blame Stakes May 30 and second in the GII Suburban Stakes most recently at Saratoga July 4. The Classic will be his first start at Del Mar.

Japanese speedster **Finger (Jpn)** (Gun Runner) puts a two-race win streak on the line in his North American debut for trainer Hiroyasu Tanaka and is live off a 1 1/4-length win in the Tokyo Derby on a muddy 1 1/4 miles in his native Japan June 10. He had his final work in Japan Aug. 13, then flew in to California late last week and vanned to Del Mar over the weekend where he's spent the week acclimating after clearing quarantine.

"He is able to move ahead without needing much urging," Finger's exercise rider Yamazaki said after his final work on Japanese soil. "I think he is in a good place mentally."

Japanese liaison Mitsuoki Numamoto also added that, "He handled everything so well. During the flight he drank well and he ate well so it was comfortable for him."

John Sadler brings in the only runner to have previously contested the Pacific Classic: **Full Serrano (Arg)** (Full Mast). Runner-up in this race in 2024, the 7-year-old elder statesman of the group has been lightly raced the last eight months, making just two starts since running fifth to Nysos in last year's GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. Third in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational Jan 24, he is unraced since coming in fourth in the GIII Oaklawn Mile March 28. ***Cont.***



Finger trains at Del Mar | *Horsephotos*

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Saturday's graded preview, cont.

"He had a good work (6f, 1:11) on Saturday," Sadler noted. "He schooled in the paddock Wednesday morning, and he'll go back again Thursday and Friday and stand in the gate on Thursday. Other than that, he's ready to go."

Facing the boys for Aggie Ordonez, 4-year-old filly **Om N Joy** (Om) won the GII Santa Margarita two back at Santa Anita May 30 and comes in off a close second in the GI Clement L Hirsch on the local surface Aug. 1.

"I'm extremely excited," Ordonez said of taking on the boys. "I'm glad I'm old enough to appreciate it."

Joseph, Jr. brings in a pair of runners in GSW **Forged Steel** (Vekoma) and MGSW **Navajo Warrior** (Candy Ride {Arg}). Filling out the field is MGISW **Subsanador (Arg)** (Fortify), GSP **Malarchuk** (Nyquist), GSW **Original Sin** (Curlin) and GISW **British Isles** (Justify).

Another Breeders' Cup slot is on the line earlier in the Del Mar card with several familiar foes taking on the GII Green Flash Handicap, which offers a 'Win and You're In' chance for the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint.

Last year's runner up by a nose, **Motorious (GB)** (Muhaarar {GB}) returns to go one better after winning this race for the first time in 2024. He is one of two starters for Phil D'Amato, who also sends out MGSP **Sorrento Sky (Ire)** (Prince of Lir {Ire}). Wesley Ward saddles **No Nay Hudson (Ire)** (No Nay Never), who makes only his second start of the year after running fourth in this race last year and third in 2024. Richard Mandella also sends out a pair in **Mescalero** (Into Mischief) and GSW **Sumter** (War Front), who ran eighth in the Green Flash in 2025. Cal-bred **Man O Rose** (Stanford) goes for Jeff Mullins while **Monster** (Leinster), **Incanto (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}) and **Virat** (Bayern) all line up inside of **Saratoga Special (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}).

In the GI Del Mar Oaks, **Kensington Lane (Ire)** (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) made her North American debut a winning one in the GI Belmont Oaks at Saratoga July 4 for Donnacha O'Brien. Now with D'Amato, she'll look to repeat that form in California drawn outside the likes of Irish invader **Green Carrera (GB)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) for Joseph O'Brien who won the Sandringham Handicap at Royal Ascot two back. East Coast-based **Tam Tam** (Medaglia d'Oro) makes the trip out for Phil Bauer having won the one-mile Tepin Stakes at Churchill June 27 after running third in the GIII Regret Stakes. Longshots **Victorious Dream (Ire)** (Ghaiyyath {Ire}), **Lookin At Diamond** (Lookin At Lucky), **Define (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), **Inbox (GB)** (Ectot {GB}), **Peanutbutterbombe** (Collected), **Wild Like the West** (Into Mischief) and **Raiding Party (Ire)** (Sioux Nation) round out the 10-strong field.

The closing race on a marathon Del Mar card is the GII Del Mar Mile Stakes which brings in 7-year-old **El Potente** (Temple City) off the layoff since March for Dan Blacker and My Way Racing. Two of the top three from this race last year meet again in **Almendares (GB)** (Havana Grey {GB}) and rail-drawn **Cabo Spirit** (Pioneerof the Nile) along with the top three finishers from the local Wickerr Stakes July 19 in **King of Gosford (GB)** (Zoustar {Aus}), **Twirling Point** (Twirling Candy) and **Artislas** (Catalina Cruiser).



Green Carrera at Del Mar | *Horsephotos*

Sunday action at Del Mar is highlighted by the GII Del Mar Derby for 3-year-olds going 1 1/8 miles on the grass. **Proletariat** (Raging Bull {Fr}) comes in off a two-race win streak for Jeff Mullins, as does **Melismatic (Ire)** (Space Blues {Ire}), one of two for D'Amato. GI Kentucky Derby runner **Pavlovian** (Pavel) makes his turf debut here for Doug O'Neill outside of up-and-coming **Tribalism (Ire)** (No Nay Never).

Alabama Runs Through Counting Stars

Saratoga features the GI Alabama Stakes Saturday with all eyes on the two-time Grade-I winner **Counting Stars** (Honor A. P.) for West Point Thoroughbreds. Third in the GI Kentucky Oaks, she turned the tables on 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Always a Runner (Gun Runner) in both the Acorn and the Coaching Club America Oaks, posting a last-out 100 Beyer Speed Figure July 25.

"She could become the third filly ever to win three Grade I races at Saratoga in one meet," trainer Mark Casse told the *TDN*. "She's already won two, the Coaching Club American Oaks and the Acorn, and I can't say enough great things about her. She's a trainer's dream."

She's one of two in the field for Casse, the other being CCA Oaks third **Measure** (Essential Quality).

Only five other fillies lined up to take on the 1-2 morning-line favorite. Chad Brown, who also trains Always a Runner, switches things up here and sends out **My Gun's Loaded** (Gun Runner) instead. ***Cont.***

Saturday's graded preview, cont.

Perfect in her last two starts, the lightly raced filly is jumping up into deep waters for the first time off a one-mile allowance win at Saratoga July 24.

“It’s a big jump in distance and that’s not ideal, but she’s had two good runs over the surface, which I like,” Brown said. “She’s been a nice addition to the barn and I’ve been very impressed with her since Day One.”



Nycon schools at Saratoga | *Sarah Andrew*

Longshots **Nycon** (Nyquist), sixth in the CCA Oaks, **Ati Girl** (Nyquist) and **A.P.'s Girl** (Honor A. P.) also come in looking for what would be their first stakes win.

Graded action is rounded out Saturday with Woodbine's GIII Seaway Stakes going seven furlongs on the Tapeta while Century Mile hosts the GIII Canadian Derby for 3-year-olds at 1 1/4 miles.

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JUDGE IN HAWTHORNE BANKRUPTCY CASE AFFIRMS AUG. 31 MOVE-OUT DATE

by T.D. Thornton

The judge in charge of the bankruptcy sale of Hawthorne Race Course on Friday issued updated move-out guidelines to the roughly 175 people and 125 horses that remain on the backstretch there. The writ out of United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois (Eastern Division), maintains an Aug. 31 "possession of premises" date that the debtors had sought to change to Aug. 28.

Hawthorne, owned by the Chicago area's Carey family for the past 117 years, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection six months ago in an attempt to restructure between $100 and $500 million in debt. The racetrack property is scheduled to be sold to a non-racing entity for $90 million on Sept. 1.

The judge's Aug. 21 writ outlined the following terms:

"To the Residents: This Order requires you to vacate the Hawthorne Property no later than 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 31, 2026. That includes removing any personal property and animals owned by you or under your control.

"Failure to vacate the Hawthorne Property by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 31, will be a violation of this Order [and] may result in your being excluded from the Hawthorne Property and loss of access to your personal belongings.

"Any Resident who objects to the terms of this Order or who believes that he or she has a right to continue in residence at the Hawthorne Property may appear before the court on Aug. 26, at 2:00 p.m. in person or over Zoom."

The court provided this link for instructions on attending the hearing.

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HISA REQUIRES PASSWORD CHANGE FOR PORTAL USERS AMID ONGOING DATA BREACH

HISA portal users were emailed Friday afternoon with a prompt to change their passwords beginning Monday, Aug. 24 amid an ongoing data breach. Additionally, the email provided a brief update regarding HISA's security monitoring tools, which will now trigger an alert for log in attempts made from different geographical areas and/or through different devices.

The email reads, “Attention HISA Portal Users, as part of HISA’s ongoing updates to its IT security systems, HISA will be prompting all users to change their passwords starting on Monday, August 24, after you log in using your current credentials.

“As part of this process, you will also be asked to verify the email address and mobile phone number associated with your HISA account, or you may update this information if it is out of date.

“In connection with these updates, we have increased the sensitivity of our security monitoring tools. As a result, you may have received a notification alerting you that there was an unusual sign-in detected on your HISA account. This may be triggered if you log in from a different geographical area and/or use a different device to log into your account. Within these emails, you will be asked to acknowledge if it was you who logged in, or flag it if it was not. If it was not you, you need to take immediate steps to secure your account.”

This stems from a continued investigation into owner Marshall Gramm, who has been charged with multiple rule violations, including fraud, following an investigation into the unauthorized access of confidential horse health information.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TIME FOR TRANSPARENCY *by Barry Weisbord*

Marshall Gramm made at least two big mistakes. He should have alerted HISA about their database security, and he should not have acted on the information he did not have permission to use. That said, he hopefully did our industry a big favor.

He did shine a bright light on the nature of the information HISA has. And as Randy Moss remarked on the *TDN* Podcast this week, "(There are) billions of dollars wagered in this game on the outcome of races, and yet this information about the physical well-being and the veterinary treatment of racehorses is treated by the industry as top secret. Why not let it out?" If it proves to be interesting to horseman and bettors, I am sure the industry would be way better off.

With industry economics dependent on handle, the powers that be--the racetracks, state racing commissions, and The Jockey Club--should insist that transparency is truly the name of the game.

The NFL has many rules and protocols dealing with injury reporting and reporting inactive players pre game. These rules are in place not for the opposing coaches, but to keep the bettors and fantasy participants well-informed and trusting the updates and information are correct.

As we are well aware, there is fierce competition for the wagering dollar. It's time to be best-in-class in the transparency and information areas for bettors. Let's start treating them like they are customers.

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SARATOGA TO HOST SIENA UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL COACHES

The New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA) will welcome Siena University basketball fans to Saratoga Race Course Wednesday, Aug. 26, for a special meet and greet featuring new Siena men's basketball head coach Nevada Smith and women's basketball head coach Terry Primm, NYRA announced Friday.

The one-hour event will take place from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. by the Jockey Silks Porch.

Fans will have an opportunity to meet Siena's current coaches and players, as well as purchase tickets to the team's preseason matchup against Syracuse.

"We're grateful to NYRA for welcoming our teams and our fans to Saratoga Race Course and for recognizing Siena University with a race in our honor," said Siena University Vice President and Director of Athletics John D'Argenio. "It's a tremendous opportunity to celebrate Siena basketball and connect with our supporters at one of the region's premier sporting venues. We appreciate NYRA's partnership and look forward to a great day at the Spa."

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A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Non-Industry Media

This Is How a Professor Used AI to Access Horse Racing Data, Regulator Says

Marshall Gramm is not your average Thoroughbred racehorse owner. The professor of economics in Tennessee, who obtained a doctorate in the subject, and co-founder of Ten Strike Racing ownership group spent years analyzing large data sets and writing academic papers about horse racing, per his Rhodes College bio.

He probably isn't your average bettor, either. ***by Stephanie Kuzydym, Louisville Courier Journal***



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Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #10, post time: 9:30 p.m. EDT
PACIFIC CLASSIC S.-GI, $1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Om N Joy	Om	Baker Stables, LLC, Scanlan Racing LLC and Michael Golovko	Ordonez	Desormeaux	119
2	Forged Steel	Vekoma	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Mathis Stable LLC and TCC Stables LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Gonzalez	124
3	Finger (Jpn)	Gun Runner	M's Racing	Tanaka	Tosaki	118
4	Subsanador (Arg)	Fortify	Wathnan Racing	Mandella	Smith	124
5	Malarchuk	Nyquist	ERJ Racing LLC and Reddam Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	124
6	Original Sin	Curlin	Calumet Farm	Walsh	Hernandez	124
7	Hit Show	Candy Ride (Arg)	Wathnan Racing	Cox	Geroux	124
8	British Isles	Justify	Slam Dunk Racing, Deborah A. Baltas, and Cynthia McClanahan	Baltas	Herrera	124
9	Navajo Warrior	Candy Ride (Arg)	BAG Racing Stables, Miller Racing LLC, Dr. Derek K. Paul, Mathis Stable LLC, Paul Braverman, and Timothy Pinch	Joseph, Jr.	Husbands	124
10	Full Serrano (Arg)	Full Mast	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Rosario	124
11	Knightsbridge	Nyquist	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	124

Breeders: 1-Jerry Baker & Connie Baker, 2-Richard E. Wilson, 3-Masahiko Sugino, 4-El Mallin, 5-Chippewa Bloodstock, 6-Calumet Farm, 7-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 8-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 9-Hinkle Farms, 10-Stud Haras Gran Muneca S.a., 11-Godolphin

Call me crazy, but I'm going to try to beat 'TDN Rising Star' presented by Hagyard **Knightsbridge** (Nyquist), even with that 122 Beyer number of his jumping off the page. The last time he ran out of his skin, in the GIII Gulfstream Park Mile, he bounced badly in the GI Churchill Downs Stakes. And do we really know if he can go a mile-and-a-quarter? Yes, he can win, but he presents no value here. Why not **Finger (Jpn)** (Gun Runner)? He's by Gun Runner and coming off a win in a seven-figure race in Japan. **Hit Show** (Candy Ride {Arg}) was beaten a long way in the GII Suburban Stakes, but on his best day he can score an upset. Was beaten only a half-length by Magnitude (Not This Time) in the GII Clark Stakes.
--Bill Finley



Saturday, 8/22, Saratoga #11, post time: 6:42 p.m. EDT

ALABAMA S. PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SALES-GI, $600,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Nycon	Nyquist	Icon Racing Stable	Beckman	Davis	122
2	Ati Girl	Nyquist	Pantofel Stable LLC, Wachtel Stable & Gary Barber	Mott	Velazquez	122
3	Measure	Essential Quality	Gary Barber, Bridlewood Farm, and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Casse	Prat	122
4	My Gun's Loaded	Gun Runner	Douglas Scharbauer	Brown	Franco	122
5	A. P.'s Girl	Honor A. P.	C R K Stable LLC	Eurton	Gaffalione	122
6	Counting Stars	Honor A. P.	West Point Thoroughbreds	Casse	Ortiz, Jr.	122

Breeders: 1-Pursuit of Success LLC, 2-BlackRidge Stables LLC, 3-Town & Country Farms, 4-Corser Thoroughbreds LLC, 5-Parks Investment Group, LLC, 6-HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud

It should be another coronation for the magnificent **Counting Stars** (Honor A.P.), who seeks to become the first horse since Sky Beauty in 1993 to sweep the GI Acorn, the GI Coaching Club American Oaks and the GI Alabama. Chad Brown won't try Counting Stars again with his GI Kentucky Oaks winner Always a Runner (Gun Runner), but could complete the exacta with **My Gun's Loaded** (Gun Runner). She's an improving horse and the second fastest horse in here on the Beyer scale. **Ati Girl** (Nyquist) took nine starts to break her maiden for Bill Mott, but that he's throwing her into this race show s a degree of confidence on his part. *--Bill Finley*

Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #9, post time: 9:00 p.m. EDT

DEL MAR OAKS PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SALES-GI, $300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Victorious Dream (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Sabby Racing and Michael House	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
2	Lookin At Diamond	Lookin At Lucky	Diamond 100 Racing Club LLC	Powell	Leparoux	122
3	Tam Tam	Medaglia d'Oro	Rigney Racing LLC	Bauer	Alvarado	122
4	Green Carrera (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Chivalry T'bred Racing, Farfellow Farms, Ltd. and Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners	O'Brien	Rispoli	122
5	Define (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Farfellow Farms, Ltd.	Walsh	Kimura	122
6	Inbox (GB)	Ectot (GB)	Hopeless Stables, Little Red Feather Racing, Sterling Stables, LLC and Marsha Naify	D'Amato	Berrios	122
7	Peanutbutterbombe	Collected	Little Red Feather Racing and William Strauss	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Wild Like the West	Into Mischief	Sayjay Racing LLC	Baltas	Ayuso	122
9	Kensington Lane (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Agave Racing Stable, Medallion Racing, and Evan Trommer	D'Amato	Rosario	122
10	Raiding Party (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Larry R. Rodgers, James J. Lamonica, Fick Farms and Shu Qun Sun	Walsh	Curtis	122

Breeders: 1-Mr Paul Croke, 2-Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Coverdale Stud, 5-Hamwood Stud Unlimited Company, 6-Orbis Bloodstock (UK) Limited, 7-Speedway Stables LLC, 8-White Birch Farm, Inc., 9-Almost Always Partnership, 10-Barry Moorhead

Kensington Lane (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) was an impressive winner of the GI Belmont Oaks and now moves into the D'Amato barn. This race came up tough, but a repeat effort of her last could be good enough. **Tam Tam** (Medaglia d'Oro) ran the race of her life when airing in the Tepin Stakes at Churchill. Looks like the main threat. You have to respect anything from the Joseph O'Brien barn, but note that **Green Carrera** (GB) (Lope de Vega) has never so much as run in a group race. *--Bill Finley*

Saturday, 8/22, Saratoga #10, post time: 6:07 p.m. EDT

BALLSTON SPA S. PRESENTED BY STIHL-GII, $300,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ozara (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Cheyenne Stables LLC	Clement	Davis	126
2	Sunlit Uplands (Ire)	Sands of Mali (Fr)	Rachel Flynn and Rae Guest	Williams	Velazquez	124
3	Deep Satin	American Pharoah	John D. Gunther & Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Ortiz	124
4	Play With Fire	Oscar Performance	LSU Stables	Brown	Franco	124
5	And One More Time	Omaha Beach	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Castellano	124
6	Segesta	Ghostzapper	Juddmonte	Brown	Prat	126
7	Grayosh	Yoshida (Jpn)	Flanagan Racing	Brown	Gaffalione	124
8	Long Ago (GB)	Roaring Lion	Christopher S. Nolan	Morey	Carmouche	124
9	Scalable	Speightstown	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Rider TBA	126

Breeders: 1-Fleche D'Or Partnership, 2-Prospect Stables, 3-Eurowest Bloodstock Services, 4-Lothenbach Stables Inc, 5-William Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 6-Juddmonte, 7-Susan E. Bedwell, 8-Let It Be Me Partnership, 9-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC

Segesta (Ghostzapper) has lost two in a row, but towers over this field in the class category. She drops into Group II company after winning a pair of Grade I events in her last four starts. No surprise that Chad Brown has won this race eight times. Having drawn inside of Segesta, **And One More Time** (Omaha Beach) might be able to get the jump on the morning line favorite. That could make her dangerous. But Segesta probably has too much class for her. **Grayosh** (Yoshida ({Jpn}) is the "other Chad Brown," always a dangerous angle and is coming off a win in the GIII Matchmaker against a pretty strong field. *--Bill Finley*

Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #11, post time: 10:00 p.m. EDT

DEL MAR MILE S.-GII, $300,000, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cabo Spirit	Pioneerof the Nile	Kretz Racing LLC	Papaprodromou	Smith	122
2	Seal Team (GB)	War Front	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Rosario	122
3	Artislas	Catalina Cruiser	Dutch Girl Holdings LLC, Irving Ventures LLC, William Meathe, and Jeanne Tumanjan	Mullins	Leparoux	122
4	Freedom's Not Free	Omaha Beach	Blinkers On Racing Stable, Janlois Racing, LLC, Valinor Racing Stable, LLC, Tom Corbett, Andy Kwan, and Jay Lester Wagner	Glatt	Jaramillo	122
5	Detain (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Juddmonte	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
6	Sinsel (Brz)	Alpha	Red Rafa Stud, Inc.	Mandella	Kimura	124
7	Almendares (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig, and Ray Pagano	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Astronomer	Air Force Blue	Bamford, Alice and Tabor, Michael B.	Callaghan	Espinoza	122
9	King of Gosford (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig, & Jeremy Peskoff	D'Amato	Rispoli	124
10	Flyover	Om	Integrity Thoroughbred Racing LLC, ITR LLC, The Ellwood Johnston Trust and Kenneth A. Tevelde	Sadler	Ayuso	122
11	Twirling Point	Twirling Candy	Paula P. Henline and Tracy D. Henline	Wright	Gonzalez	122
12	El Potente	Temple City	My Way Racing LLC	Blacker	Berrios	122

Breeders: 1-WinStar Farm, LLC, 2-Bass Stables LLC, 3-University of Kentucky, 4-Cove Springs, LLC, 5-Swordlestown Little, 6-Stud Red Rafa, 7-D. R. Tucker, 8-Alice Bamford, 9-The Miss Sugars Partnership, 10-Old English Rancho, 11-George Strawbridge Jr., 12-Charmsil LLC



With plenty of speed breaking to his inside, **El Potente** (Temple City) figures to get a dream trip here under Hector Berrios. A consistent horse, he can stalk and pounce. The same can be said for **Almendares (GB)** (Havana Grey ({GB}), who did not have a good trip in the GII Eddie Read Stakes, but nearly ran down a tough bunch in his prior start in the GI Shoemaker Mile. **Detain (Ire)** (Wooton Bassett {GB}) steps way up in class, but looks to be sitting on a career-best race for sharp trainer Michael McCarthy.

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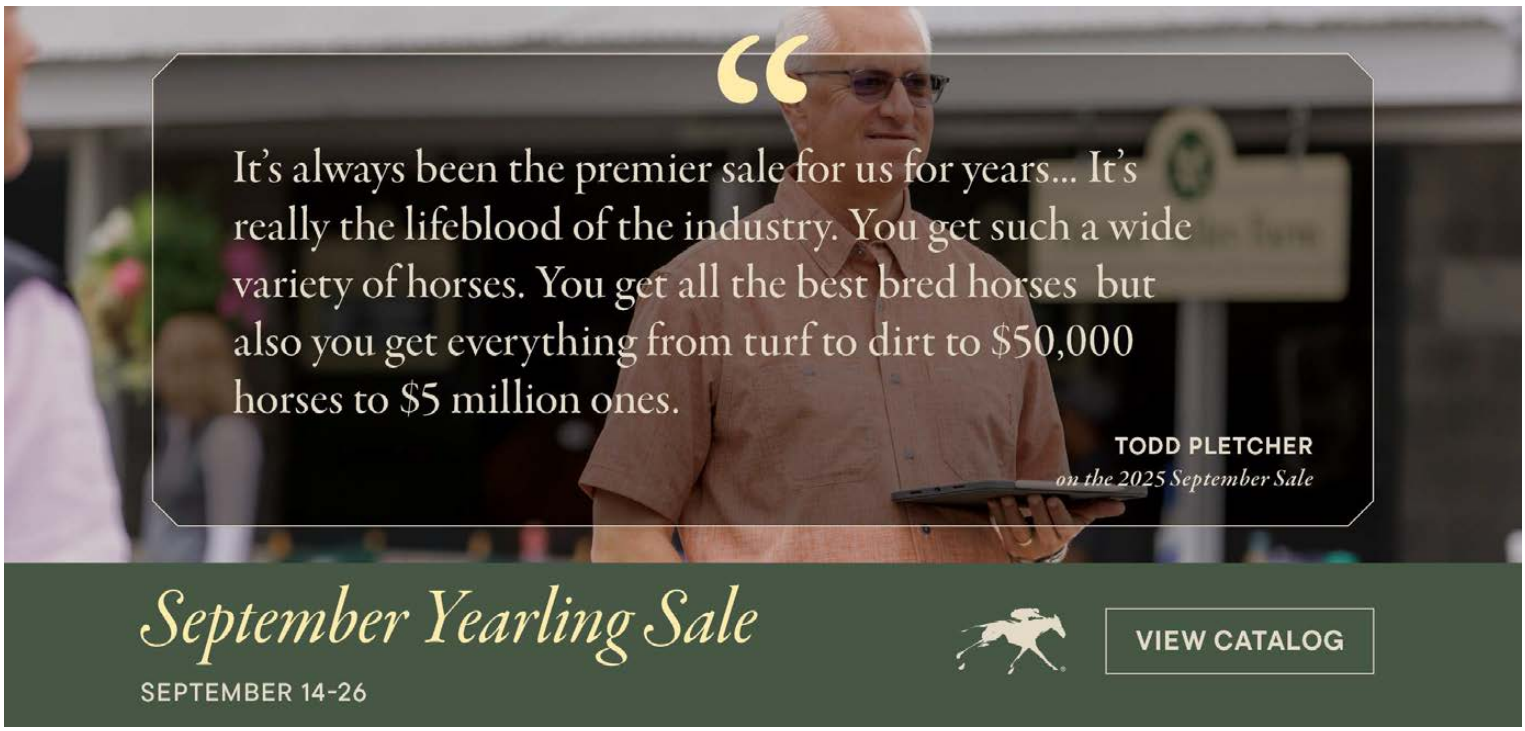
Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #5, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT
GREEN FLASH H.-GII, $200,000, 3yo/up, 5fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Monster	Leinster	Arindel	D'Angelo	Jaramillo	116
2	Mescalero	Into Mischief	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Kimura	119
3	Man O Rose	Stanford	B and B Zietz Stables, Inc.	Mullins	Maldonado	121
4	Incanto (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	David A. Bernsen LLC, TCC Stables LLC and Jeffrey Lambert	Eurton	Baze	117
5	Sumter	War Front	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Smith	123
6	Motorious (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Anthony Fanticola	D'Amato	Fresu	124
7	Virat	Bayern	Sareen Family Trust	Blacker	Berrios	120
8	No Nay Hudson (Ire)	No Nay Never	Andrew Farm, For the People Racing Stable, LLC and Debra L. O'Connor	Ward	Hernandez	123
9	Sorrento Sky (Ire)	Prince of Lir (Ire)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Marc Lantzman, and Michael Nentwig	D'Amato	Rispoli	120
10	Saratoga Special (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Abbondanza Racing LLC and TCC Stables LLC	Baltas	Rosario	114

Breeders: 1-Dr. Ross Russell & Deeann SmithCavanaugh, 2-Bass Stables, LLC, 3-B & B Zietz Stables, Inc., 4-Novidale Ltd & Eoghan Grogan, 5-Bass Stables, LLC, 6-Kirtlington Stud & Mrs Mary Taylor, 7-Sareen Family Trust, 8-RJB Bloodstock, 9-Miss Colleen Dwyer, 10-David Byrne & Pierce Molony

Motorious (GB) (Muhaarar {GB}) has won this race three straight years, once via DQ, and is coming off a sharp second in his first start off a layoff. Looks like trainer Phil D'Amato has him primed for four straight. **Sumter** (War Front) beat the top pick last time out, so obviously deserves respect. **No Nay Hudson (Ire)** (No Nay Never) is not in great form, but throw out Wesley Ward in these turf sprints at your own peril. *--Bill Finley*



Saturday, 8/22, Century Mile #11, post time: 10:30 p.m. EDT

CANADIAN DERBY-GIII, C$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Helioo	Authentic	Don B. Danard	Snow	Perez	126
2	Debrusk	Finality	D Condilenios, J Froelich, G Georgeopoulos & T Georgeopoulos	Condilenios	Morales	126
3	Kamal	Fed Biz	Mohamad K. Khan	Brown	Marti	126
4	Quarry	War of Will	Henry S. Witt, Jr.	Gourneau	Bynoe	126
5	Magicstrikesagain	Good Magic	C Duggan, D Ries, L Deitz & B Poliakiwski	Nicholson	Asencio	126
6	Direct Strike	Into Mischief	Smokin Guns Stable, J Graham, CNK Holdings, Ltd. Bob and Terry Kwas, Lucky Diamond Stables, Hard Ball Stable, Bauder, James, Bauder, Robert, Trehan, Sunil, Highfield Investment Group, Inc., D D Smith and B Appleyard	Smith	Prescod	126
7	Really Ralis	Ralis Dennis Spence	Krasner	Khelawan	126	
8	Big Curl	Big Brown	Stetson Inc, Stetson, Ryan, Stetson Enterprises Ltd. and Everblack Cattle Co. Ltd.	Rycroft	Gonzalez	126
9	Gethsemane	Knicks Go	Cattleman's Club Stable	Goulet	Whitehall	126
10	Tisum	Caravaggio	Duggan, Chris, Ries, Dorn, Deitz, Lloyd and B Poliakiwski	Nicholson	Asencio	126
11	Javier	Practical Joke	Don B. Danard	Frey	Boodramsingh	126
12	Western Warrior	Essential Quality	Christoff, Gordon and Giesbrecht, Lance B.	Condilenios	Nelson	126
13	Need the Purse	The Factor	Charles Garvey	Diodoro	Santo	126

Breeders: 1-William Humphries & Altair Farms, 2-Red Rock Farm, 3-Red Hawk Ranch, 4-Claiborne Farm, 5-TK Stables, 6-Cypress Creek Equine, 7-Elton H. Gunther, 8-Mat Monaco, 9-Bloodstock Investments 2022, 10-Fletcher Gray & Carolyn Gray, 11-Dell Ridge Farm, LLC, 12-Tracy Farmer, 13-Troy Rankin

Though he didn't really fire in the Manitoba Derby, **Direct Strike** (Into Mischief) did finish second in a 10-furlong maiden at Churchill four starts back. Have to imagine he was facing much tougher foes that day than the ones he'll be meeting here and he is the only one in here proven at the distance. At 12-1 in the line, he's serious value. **Quarry** (War of Will) is another who has had some success on the Kentucky circuit and just missed by a nose in the Manitoba Derby. **Western Warrior** (Essential Quality) won the Manitoba Derby. No reason why he can't do it again. *--Bill Finley*

Saturday, 8/22, Woodbine #7, post time: 4:08 p.m. EDT

SEAWAY S.-GIII, C$175,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Uphill Dance	Tonalist	Gary Barber, Cheyenne Stable, LLC and Wachtel Stable	Halden	Campos	122
2	Elysian Field	Hard Spun	Gary Barber and Team Valor International LLC	Casse	Moran	122
3	Austere	Mendelssohn	Belmar Racing & Breeding LLC, Bradley Thoroughbreds Cambron Equine LLC, Tucci Stables and Gary Finder	Walsh	Maragh	123
4	Quadruple (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Mark Dodson	Carroll	Munger	122
5	Scat Girl	Audible	Zilli Racing Stables	De Paulo	Wilson	123
6	Reagan's Flame	Flameaway	St. Elias Stable, BAG Racing Stables, Turf Express Inc. and Watkins Diamond Stables LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	124
7	Bessie Abott (Ire)	Kuroshio (Aus)	Barber, Gary and Team Valor International LLC	Casse	Aebly	122
8	Creed's Gold	Jimmy Creed	Kristin Meldahl	Casse	Civaci	126

Breeders: 1-Chet Blackey & Trackside Farm, 2-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc., 3-Summer Wind Equine LLC, 4-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 5-Robert Marzilli, 6-Jason Hall, Herschel Martindale &Stephen Mott, 7-Dr Noel Cogan & Patrick Williams, 8-Linda Griggs

Mark Casse will send out three of the eight starters in this race and it looks like the best of the bunch is clearly **Creed's Gold** (Jimmy Creed). The horse loves Tapeta, particularly the one at Woodbine, where she is 2-for-2. Coming off a win in the GIII Hendrie Stakes as the favorite, she'll be bet heavily, but looks to have this bunch over a barrel. Brendan Walsh hasn't had much luck at Woodbine this year, but don't discount **Austere** (Mendelssohn). The mare showed marked

improvement when switched to the synthetic surface at Presque Isle Downs and turning back to a sprint in last. **Reagan's Flame** (Flameaway) has been a disappointment since winning the GIII Whimsical Stakes, but is 2-for-3 on the Tapeta and hails from the Saffie Joseph Jr. barn. PP's say she was bumped at the break in last. In truth, her start was just fine. *--Bill Finley*

Sunday, 8/23, Del Mar #7, post time: 8:00 p.m. EDT

CAESARS SPORTSBOOK DEL MAR DERBY-GII, $300,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Proletariat	Raging Bull (Fr)	Dutch Girl Holdings LLC and Irving Ventures LLC	Mullins	Frey	122
2	Unrivaled Time	Not This Time	Innergy Racing Corp and Pais, Alfred	Powell	Ayuso	122
3	Secured Freedom	Practical Joke	Leslie A. & Pierre Jean Amestoy, Jr., and Roger Beasley	Yakteen	Vazquez	122
4	Tribalism (Ire)	No Nay Never	BR Thoroughbreds	McCarthy	Rosario	122
5	Bust Out	Complexity	Pegram, Jacob M. and Pegram, Timothy A.	McCarthy	Rispoli	122
6	Pavlovian	Pavel	Reddam Racing LLC	O'Neill	Maldonado	122
7	Jordi Bear (Ire)	St Mark's Basilica (Fr)	Glen Hill Farm, Little Red Feather Racing Madaket Stables LLC and Strauss, William	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Melismatic (Ire)	Space Blues (Ire)	Wells T. Watson	D'Amato	Kimura	122
9	Charlie's Curlin	Curlin	Les Blake	Mullins	Hernandez	122

Breeders: 1-Liberty Road Stables, 2-Alfred A. Pais, 3-Audley Farm Equine, LLC, 4-Phoenix Thoroughbred Limited, 5-Brereton C. Jones & Bret Jones, 6-Reddam Racing, LLC, 7-Armitage Bloodstock, 8-Norwegian Wood Stud, 9-Glen Hill Farm

How can you not go with **Proletariat** (Raging Bull) ({Fr}) here? He has been a new horse since being gelded, romping in an allowance race and then demolishing his competition in the Oceanside. Five of the eight horses he beat handily in the Oceanside will try him again. He is not a working-class horse. **Melismatic** (Ire) (Space Blues ({Ire})is interesting. He's on the improve for trainer Michael McCarthy and is coming off an allowance win. But he would have to improve significantly to beat the top choice. **Charlie's Curlin** (Curlin) was never going to beat Proletariat in the Oceanside, where he finished seventh, but he would have been much closer if not checking sharply. *--Bill Finley*

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GOLDEN SIREN A BEAUTIFUL TUNE IN SECOND START FOR MARK CASSE



Golden Siren | *Sarah Andrew*

Golden Siren (Bolt d'Oro), one of three in the field with prior race experience, ran a useful second in an eventful debut behind Royal Palm Juvenile S. runner-up Pros and Cons (Justify) going one mile on the local grass course July 10. Getting a bit of a stretch out to 1 1/16 miles Friday, the 5-2 favorite was happy to show the way unpressured under Jose Ortiz, who took over the mount from Flavien Prat. Allowed to lead comfortably through fractions of :23.26 and :47.57, Golden Siren hugged the rail up the backstretch and into the far turn, still with only mild challenges and no one running on yet from the back. Off the far turn and let loose to a 5 1/2-length gap, the favorite drew off nicely and was wrapped up on close to home with the win more than secured, checking in four lengths to the good of first-time starter **Doves and Hawks** (Twirling Candy).

"Everything went wrong for everybody (in Golden Siren's debut)," winning trainer Mark Casse said on *Saratoga Live*. "I've never seen anything quite like it--horses flipping in the gate, horses bolting. You could see her mature really from her first race. She's grown up. She's a big, strong girl now. I thought



Mark Casse | *Sarah Andrew*

today was pretty impressive."

Stoneway Farm purchased Sea Song (The Factor) as a yearling for $110,000 in 2019 from Fasig-Tipton with this filly being the mare's first winner from two to race. Her yearling, a colt by Forte, impressed at last week's Saratoga Sale, bringing $600,000 from St. Elias Stables & Partners just nine months after bringing $300,000 as a Keeneland November weanling. Golden Siren also has a weanling half-sister by Oscar Performance, with Sea Song bred back to Bolt d'Oro for a full-sibling to Golden Siren next year.

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6th-Saratoga, $115,000, Msw, 8-21, 2yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.61, fm, 4 lengths.
GOLDEN SIREN (f, 2, Bolt d'Oro--Sea Song, by The Factor), Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $86,250. Sales History: $135,000 Ylg '25 FTKJUL. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV**.
O-Brad Smith; B-Stoneriggs Farm (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.

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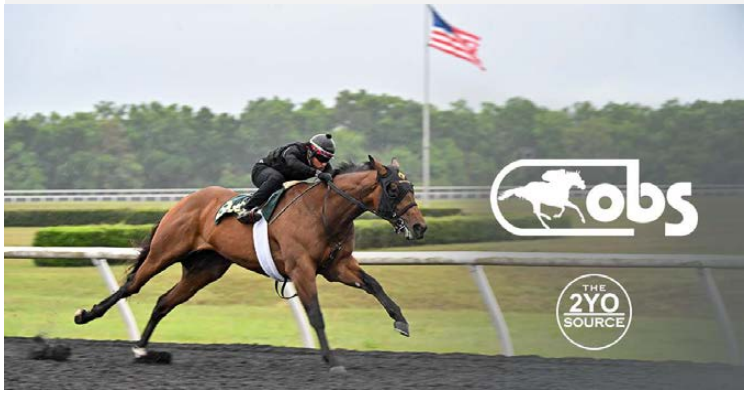

Some of the most highly anticipated races during the summer season are the 'baby' races during the boutique meetings at Saratoga and Del Mar and at Ellis Park, which attract its fair share of high-priced juveniles from a variety of top national outfits. Summer Breezes, sponsored by OBS Sales, highlights debuting and stakes-entered 2-year-olds at those meetings that have been sourced at the breeze-up sales earlier in the year, including links to their under-tack previews. Here are the entries for Saturday at Saratoga, Ellis Park and Del Mar. Information gathered by Alan Carasso.



Motga breezing at OBS this past March | *OBS*

Saturday, August 22, 2026

Saratoga 3, Msw, $115k, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:55 p.m.

Horse (Sire)	Sale	Price ($)	Breeze
Shocked (Authentic)	**OBSMAR**	**100,000**	**:10**

C-Kae Vazquez Stables LLC; B-Robin Smullen-Tagg

Ellis 5, Msw, $100k, 2yo, f, 6f, 2:44 p.m. ET

Jackie and Ginger (Jack Christopher) **FTMMAY** **70,000** **G**

C-Mason Springs LLC (M & C Ryan); B-Joseph Besecker

Make It Skate (Vekoma) **OBSAPR** **250,000** **:10 1/5**

C-Julie Davies LLC, agent; B-Case Clay TB Management

Mayflower Girl (Shancelot)-AE **OBSAPR** **75,000** **:10**

C-Navas Equine, agent; B-R B Hess Jr

Miss Moneyball (Practical Joke)-AE **OBSAPR** **180,000** **:10**

C-Envision Equine, agent; B-M Shirer for Hickory Stb & TC Stb

Ellis 6, Moc, $53k, 2yo, f, 6f, 3:12 p.m. ET

Absolute Lea W (Drain the Clock) **FTMMAY** **55,000** **G**

C-Little Farm Equine LLC, agent; B-Robert H Zoellner

A Sip of Vino (Vino Rosso)-AE **OBSJUN** **25,000** **:10 3/5**

C-Navas Equine, agent; B-Bruce Murphy

Placing Blame (Olympiad) **OBSJUN** **45,000** **:10 1/5**

C-A B Thoroughbreds; B-Dare To Dream Stable Management

Sharply (Sharp Azteca)-AE **OBSJUN** **25,000** **:10 1/5**

C-RM Stables LLC, agent; B-Bruce Murphy

Saratoga 6, Msw, $115k, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 3:41 p.m.

Sparky's Delight (Liam's Map) **FTMMAY** **90,000** **G**

C-Caliente Thoroughbreds, agent; B-Peter Colucci

White Truffles (Essential Quality) **FTMMAY** **110,000** **G**

C-Tom McCrocklin, agent; B-B Flay Thoroughbreds Inc

Del Mar 4, Msw, $100k, 2yo, 1m, 6:30 p.m. ET

Flight Club (Flightline) **OBSAPR** **260,000** **:10 1/5**

C-Top Line Sales LLC, agent; B-Gayle Van Leer, agent

Motga (Mo Town) **OBSMAR** **1,050,000** **:20 2/5**

C-Hoppel LLC, agent; B-Donato Lanni, agent for Baoma Corp

Del Mar 6, Msw, $100k, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 7:30 p.m. ET

Furiosity (Into Mischief) **FTMMAY** **450,000** **G**

C-Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, agent; B-Bill Childs

Lucille B (Practical Joke) **OBSAPR** **225,000** **:10**

C-Top Line Sales LLC, agent; B-Little Red Feather Racing

Miss Midterm (Early Voting) **OBSJUN** **210,000** **:10 1/5**

C-Julie Davies LLC, agent; B-Doug O'Neill

Sea's No Joke (Practical Joke) **OBSMAR** **310,000** **:10**

C-Niall Brennan Stables, agent;
B-MyRacehorse.com & Spartan Equine Racing LLC

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SATURDAY INSIGHTS: SEVEN-FIGURE BABIES ABOUND AT SARATOGA, ELLIS, DEL MAR

by Christina Bossinakis

3rd-SAR $115k, Msw, 2yo, 6 1/2fT, post time: 1:55 p.m.

Showcasing a plethora of seven-figure babies, the third race of



Art Museum (inside) works in company with Up to the Task on Aug. 15 | *Sarah Andrew*

the afternoon offers several of the best pedigrees in the stud book. Leading the bevvy of first-time starters, **ART MUSEUM (Into Mischief)** gets a start for the Coolmore partners, Peter Brant and Brook Smith. Trained by Chad Brown, the son of GSW and MGISP Point of Honor (Curlin) realized $1.5 million at Keeneland last September. Jockey Flavien Prat and Brown connect at 21% at the Spa over the past year. Brown also saddles **Barrel Roll (Gun Runner)**, a $1.2-million buy for Tanglewood Thoroughbreds and Gainesway. The son of Acrobatique (Discreet Cat) was bred by Helen Alexander and H A B Stroud.

Another $1-million baby, **No Time to Lose (Not This Time)** kicks off for trainer Ken McPeek and relative newbie to the Thoroughbred racing game, Kjell Andersen. The Swiss resident purchased the colt for $1.4 million at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale in 2025. Out of Classic Strike (Smart Strike), the colt is a half to GISW Union Strike (Union Rags). “He’s done everything he’s been asked in the morning,” McPeek said. “Probably needs longer than this sprint distance. Big expectations considering his price tag.”

Likely to garner favoritism in his return, **Powerline (Flightline)** was runner-up to The Good Life (Life Is Good), named a TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard', in a July 18 Spa maiden and he makes his second start here. Trained by Steve Asmussen, the $1.8-million Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale grad is campaigned by West Point Thoroughbreds, John Oxley, Summer Wind Equine and Bee Zee LLC.



Powerline | *Sarah Andrew*

“I thought it was a great education for him from start to finish,” West Point's Terry Finley said. “We like that. We always like to win but you could definitely see that he had trouble, and that he was talented, and that if we got lucky, we’ve got great upside with this dude. I saw Scott Blasi on the pony today and he gave me a big smile and a big thumbs up. I know one thing, we didn’t pick an easy spot to run him back the second times, if you see the price tags of the other horses in there. We should be in the thick of things. We don’t love the rail, but it is what it is.” **TJCIS PPS**

5th-ELP $100k, Msw, 2yo, f, 6fT, post time: 2:44 p.m.

Godolphin's **JUMP SEAT (Flightline)** marks her unveiling for trainer Brad Cox. A homebred son of GSP Delightful Quality (Elusive Quality), the dark bay is a half-sister to GI Belmont Stakes hero Essential Quality (Tapit), who was also trained by Cox. **Harmoniously (Life Is Good)**, a $650,000 KEESEP yearling purchase, is out of Indian Gardens (Pioneerof the Nile), herself a daughter of MGISW Indian Blessing (Indian Charlie). **TJCIS PPS**

6th-SAR $115k, Msw, 2yo, f, 6 1/2fT, post time: 3:41 p.m.

FOREVER CARINA (Gun Runner) debuts for breeder Three Chimneys Farm and trainer Chad Brown. The daughter of GSP Always Carina (Malibu Moon), who was also trained by Brown, is a full-sister to another Brown trainee, Always a Runner, a 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' and winner of this season's GI Kentucky Oaks. Jose Ortiz gets the call.

Godolphin's **Very Clever (Curlin)** kicks off for trainer Brad Cox. Out of Godolphin homebred GSW Innovative Idea (Bernardini), the filly is a half-sister to MGISW Matareya (Pioneerof the Nile). Irad Ortiz Jr. rides. **TJCIS PPS**

4th-DMR $100k, Msw, 2yo, 1m, post time: 6:35 p.m.

Baoma Corp.'s **MOTGA (Mo Town)** and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Bridlewood, Bob LaPenta and Suzanne and William Warren's **Psalm (Into Mischief)** make their debuts for trainers Bob Baffert and Michael McCarthy, respectively.

The former, out of Into Mischief's Reckon, was a $1.05 million buy at the OBS March Sale. Bred by William Lussky, the Kentucky-bred colt will be ridden by Juan Hernandez.

Having drawn outside in this field of seven, Psalm is out of Reina Marina (Songandaprayer), making him a full-brother to GII Remsen winner Maximus Mischief. Bred by Mulholland Springs, the bay sold for $1.25 million at Keeneland last September. Junior Alvarado rides.

Baffert also saddles firster **Babe's Empire (Curlin)**, a half-brother to MGSW Avie's Flatter (Flatter). The son of Avie's Empire (Empire Maker) was a $525,000 KEESEP buy. **TJCIS PPS**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

FLEET INDIAN S., $200,000, Saratoga, 8-21, (S), 3yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:51.70, ft.

1--**IRON ORCHARD, 124, f, 3, by Authentic**

1st Dam: Onebrethatatime (MSP, $133,283), by Brethren

2nd Dam: Onemiracleatatime, by Gulch

3rd Dam: Katie Love, by Manila

($140,000 Wlg '23 KEENOV; $97,000 RNA Ylg '24 SARAUG; $78,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT; $500,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR; $2,500,000 2yo '25 FTDNOV). O-KatieRich Stables LLC; B-Pine Ridge Stable LLC (NY); T-Steven M. Asmussen; J-Jose L. Ortiz. $110,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 7-4-0-0, $495,350.

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2--**Lady Rose**, 122, f, 3, Upstart--White Sangria, by Giant's Causeway. ($45,000 Ylg '24 FTKFEB; $60,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-CJ Stables; B-Chesapeake Farm & Three Times A Charm (NY); T-Linda Rice. $40,000.

VINERY SALES GRADUATE

3--**Venetta**, 124, f, 3, Yaupon--Gypsy Angel, by Silver Train. ($25,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEESEP). O-Sequel Racing; B-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC (NY); T-Danny Gargan. $24,000.

Margins: 12, 3 1/4, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.60, 6.59, 2.31.

Also Ran: Unlock the Value, Victory Hall, Power of Women, New York Special. Scratched: Hot Currency.

Last year's GI Frizette S. winner Iron Orchard got back on track in a big way stretching to 1 1/8 miles versus fellow New York-breds in Friday's Fleet Indian S.



Iron Orchard | *Sarah Andrew*

The 8-5 favorite led her six rivals into the clubhouse turn, rattled off a half mile in :47.10 and had plenty left for the stretch, running up the score to win by 12 lengths.

Iron Orchard brought $2.5 million from KatieRich Farms at last year's Fasig-Tipton Mid-October Digital Sale after a three-for-three start to her career for trainer Danny Gargan. Last of nine in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Del Mar, she was off the board in a pair of attempts for Hall of Famer Steve Asmussen around one turn this term, most recently finishing fourth versus state-breds in the seven-furlong Johnstone S. Aug. 5.

"Jose (Ortiz) rode her with a ton of confidence," Asmussen said. "I was extremely pleased to see her get back to that. I think she needed the previous races to get back to where we were at. We needed to win this race today and I think she's got a lot of races left in her." **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

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3rd-Saratoga, $115,000, Msw, 8-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.44, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

JADORLINIJA (f, 3, Curlin--Celestine {GISW, $1,148,055}, by Scat Daddy), fourth going 1 1/8 miles here July 16, cut back for a



Jadorlinija | *Sarah Andrew*

maiden victory at odds of 5-2. She set a pressured pace through fractions of :24.56 and :48.59, shook free in the stretch and had 2 1/4 lengths over Hypnotica (Charlatan) at the wire. The talented GI Longines Just a Game S. heroine Celestine, a $2.55-million purchase by Moyglare Stud at the 2016 Keeneland November sale, is also responsible for the 2-year-old colt Capri Star (Gun Runner) and a yearling filly by Curlin. She was bred to Liam's Map for 2027. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, $85,450. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

O/B-Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd. (KY); T-Miguel Clement.

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5th-Saratoga, $115,000, (S), Msw, 8-21, 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.09, fm, 1/2 length.

SCALENE (c, 2, Bolt d'Oro--Equilateral, by Arch) lit up the tote board at 16-1 in this debut run. Hard-held in fifth through fractions of :22.85 and :46.60, he kicked on impressively in the stretch to run down the well-clear pacesetter Fire Marshal (Fire At Will) by a half-length. The winner is a half to Rhombique (Ghostzapper), GSP, $236,008; and a yearling filly named Acronym (Omaha Beach). Equilateral was bred to Up to the Mark for 2027. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $63,250. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

O/B-Marc Keller (NY); T-Robert Ribaudo.

9th-Ellis, $99,855, Msw, 8-21, 2yo, 6f, 1:11.43, ft, 1/2 length.

JOKESTER (c, 2, Practical Joke--Curlinup, by Curlin), runner-up on debut behind two-for-two Ellis Park Juvenile S. winner Salahudin (Uncle Mo) at Ellis July 17, was off as the 2-1 choice to go one better here. He was ridden for speed from his inside draw, was challenged by first-timer National Forest (Constitution) rounding the far turn and dug in gamely down the lane to outbattle that foe by a half-length. The winner's dam is also responsible for a Domestic Product colt of this year. Sales history: $100,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, $77,916. **Click for the Equibase.com chart**.

O-Black Type Thoroughbreds, Brunetti Dugan Stables, Swinbank Stables LLC, Adkisson, Steve and Atkinson, Andrew; B-Prairie Vista Partners (KY); T-George Weaver.

HIGHGATE SALES GRAD

1st-Del Mar, $81,000, Msw, 8-21, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.54, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

PIEDRA FRIA (g, 3, Frosted--Mediate, by Candy Ride {Arg}), overlooked at 11-1 in this debut run, raced in a tracking fourth through an opening quarter in :22.26. He was tipped off the rail and split horses at the top of the stretch and ran to daylight to graduate by 3 1/4 lengths. After producing a filly by Authentic this year, the winner's dam was bred back to Dornoch. Sales history: $15,000 Ylg '24 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $48,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV**.

O-Calumet Farm; B-Springland Farm, Hightop Bloodstock & Laney & Jason McConnell (KY); T-Doug F. O'Neill.

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5th-Colonial Downs, $70,100, Msw, 8-21, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:38.35, fm, 1/2 length.
BEAUTIFUL HARPER (f, 2, Constitution--March X Press {SW, $151,730}, by Shanghai Bobby), the 7-2 third choice, drew furthest to the outside and split the field into the clubhouse turn while still racing several paths off the rail. Tucked in a close-up



Beautiful Harper | *Coady Media*

fourth through the half in :48.65, she began to make up ground under Jareth Loveberry, was able to strike the front at the top of the lane and last over a closing Cordova (Hard Spun) by a half-length. Parks Investment Group purchased March X Press for $560,000 at KEENOV in 2021. That mare is already the dam of both Fort Bragg (Tapit), GSW, $596,915 and A. P.'s Girl (Honor A. P.), GSP, $158,289, the latter of which will contest the GI Alabama Stakes Saturday at Saratoga. Beautiful Harper has a yearling half-sister by Flightline and a weanling half-sister by Tapit while her dam went to McKinzie for 2027. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $42,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV**.
O-C R K Stable LLC; B-Parks Investment Group, LLC (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux.

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AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ABROAD

IN BRITAIN:
Bacio, c, 3, **Maclean's Music**. See "*Group Results*".



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, AUGUST 22
2026 Stud Fees Listed

Corniche (Quality Road), Coolmore Ashford, $15,000
109 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Del Mar, 7:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Chaseher, 20-1
$22,000 FTK OCT yrl

Cyberknife (Gun Runner), Spendthrift Farm, $15,000
167 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Colonial Downs, 12:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Cuttin' Up, 30-1

Early Voting (Gun Runner), Taylor Made Farm, $12,500
116 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Saratoga, 3:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Classic Nora, 12-1
$140,000 KEE SEP yrl
4-Evangeline Downs, 7:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Early Flight, 12-1
6-Del Mar, 7:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Miss Midterm, 8-1
$100,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $210,000 OBS OPN 2yo
1-Colonial Downs, 12:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Poll Position, 5-1
$57,000 EAS OCT yrl
10-Prairie Meadows, 9:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Successful Voting, 6-1

Eight Rings (Empire Maker), Rancho San Miguel, $6,000
18 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
4-Delaware, 1:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Infinite Aura, 3-1
$35,000 OBS OCT yrl; $70,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Epicenter (Not This Time), Coolmore Ashford, $25,000
206 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Delaware, 1:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Hay Hay Renee, 3-1
$27,000 KEE SEP yrl; $75,000 OBS APR 2yo

Flightline (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, $125,000
124 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Del Mar, 6:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Flight Club, 6-1
$260,000 OBS APR 2yo
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Jump Seat, 4-1
3-Saratoga, 1:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Powerline, 8-5
$1,800,000 FTS AUG yrl

Golden Pal (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford, $25,000

204 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 1:39 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Golden Latte, 4-1
$140,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl
4-Del Mar, 6:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Take a Picture, 3-1
$45,000 KEE SEP yrl

Jack Christopher (Munnings), Coolmore Ashford, $15,000
187 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Gulfstream, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Bella Napoli, 15-1
$45,000 OBS APR 2yo
4-Gulfstream, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Eyeway, 4-1
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Jackie and Ginger, 15-1
$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; $70,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Jackie's Warrior (Maclean's Music), Spendthrift Farm, $25,000
136 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Delaware, 1:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Shanghai Rose, 12-1
$130,000 FTK OCT yrl; $40,000 OBS APR 2yo

Life Is Good (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, $60,000
133 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Harmoniously, 10-1
$650,000 KEE SEP yrl

Magic On Tap (Tapit), Pleasant Acres Stallions, $5,000
47 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Gulfstream, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Bourbon On Tap, 8-1
$17,000 OBS WIN wnl

Mind Control (Stay Thirsty), Rockridge Stud, $6,000
123 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Monmouth, 1:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Creative Thinker, 7-2

Mo Donegal (Uncle Mo), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
135 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
3-Emerald Downs, 5:43 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Make Mo Mine, 3-1
$20,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mutasaabeq (Into Mischief), Pleasant Acres Stallions
25 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-Monmouth, 1:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, My Mama Lena, 8-1
$7,500 OBS WIN wnl

Mystic Guide (Ghostzapper), Darley, $7,500
101 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Canterbury, 6:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Avos Rose, 9-2
$10,000 KEE NOV wnl; $19,000 RNA OBS WIN wnl

Nashville (Speightstown), WinStar Farm, $12,500
140 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Emerald Downs, 5:43 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Parade of Dreams, 9-2
$47,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $40,000 KEE SEP yrl

Olympiad (Speightstown), Gainesway Farm, $20,000
149 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Gulfstream, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Real Gone, 5-2
$190,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Won'tcatchmecryan, 15-1
$110,000 FTK OCT yrl

Roadster (Quality Road), Ocala Stud, $7,500
86 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Gulfstream, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Hot Rod, 10-1
$6,500 OBS WIN wnl

Speaker's Corner (Street Sense), Darley, $10,000
111 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Woodbine, 3:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Ez Miss Sassy, 6-1
$210,000 KEE SEP yrl
4-Gulfstream, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Nofilterneeded, 5-1
$23,000 OBS APR 2yo

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, AUGUST 22
2026 Stud Fees Listed

Charlatan (Speightstown), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, $25,000
323 foals of racing age/49 winners/7 black-type winners
7-Gulfstream, 3:55 p.m. EDT, $100K Miss Gracie S., 1mT, Sorokin, 7-2
$105,000 KEE SEP yrl
4-Delaware, 1:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Voladora, 6-1

Essential Quality (Tapit), Darley, $25,000
218 foals of racing age/51 winners/8 black-type winners



11-Saratoga, 6:42 p.m. EDT, $600K GI Alabama S. Presented by Keeneland Sales, 1 1/4m, Measure, 6-1
$140,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $250,000 KEE SEP yrl
11-Century Mile, 10:30 p.m. EDT, $200K GIII Canadian Derby, 1 1/4m, Western Warrior, 7-2
6-Saratoga, 3:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, White Truffles, 15-1
$90,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $50,000 FTK OCT yrl; $110,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Galawi (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Northview Stallion Station, $1,000
31 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Monmouth, 1:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Sunnyridge Sunset, 8-1

Knicks Go (Paynter), Kor, private
170 foals of racing age/58 winners/3 black-type winners
11-Century Mile, 10:30 p.m. EDT, $200K GIII Canadian Derby, 1 1/4m, Gethsemane, 8-1
$220,000 FTK NOV wnl; $425,000 KEE SEP yrl
2-Gulfstream, 1:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Jean Laffite, 12-1
$12,000 KEE SEP yrl

Known Agenda (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
171 foals of racing age/43 winners/1 black-type winner
2-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 3:53 p.m. EDT, $100K Ellen's Lucky Star H. IND - R8, 1mT, Sweet Summertime, 20-1

Leinster (Majestic Warrior), Mountain View Farm, $7,500
68 foals of racing age/21 winners/4 black-type winners
7-Gulfstream, 3:55 p.m. EDT, $100K Miss Gracie S., 1mT, Laigina, 2-1
5-Del Mar, 7:10 p.m. EDT, $200K GII Green Flash H. Presented by Longines, 5fT, Monster, 15-1
$25,000 OBS WIN wnl
6-Gulfstream, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Stir Flay, 12-1

Lexitonian (Speightstown), Calumet Farm, $7,500
93 foals of racing age/29 winners/4 black-type winners
3-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 4:27 p.m. EDT, $100K Snack H. IND - R9, 1mT, Oscar D, 8-1

Maxfield (Street Sense), Darley, $50,000
196 foals of racing age/45 winners/7 black-type winners
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Missy, 10-1

Popularity (Distorted Humor), Westwin Farms
15 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Remington, 9:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Poppin Clouds, 4-1
4-Remington, 9:33 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Walk That Walk, 6-1

Raging Bull (Fr) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Gainesway Farm, $7,500
128 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Colonial Downs, 12:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Hadid, 10-1
$5,500 EAS OCT yrl

Uncle Chuck (Uncle Mo), Journeyman Stud
113 foals of racing age/25 winners/3 black-type winners
6-Gulfstream, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Little Prince, 9-2
1-Canterbury, 6:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2fT, Mo's Classy Lady, 4-1
$5,000 OBS APR 2yo

Yaupon (Uncle Mo), Spendthrift Farm, $60,000
325 foals of racing age/74 winners/15 black-type winners
5-Ellis, 2:44 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Ubiquitous Annie, 15-1
$90,000 KEE SEP yrl



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



First-time starter Cinq Sens is out of a half-sister to the dam of Horse of the Year Do Deuce (pic) | *JRA*

Sunday, August 23, 2026
2nd-NII, ¥14,880,000 *($93k)*, Newcomers, 2yo, 2000mT
FORCE LA VIE (c, 2, Mystic Guide--Melodic, by Tale of the Cat), a $52,000 Keeneland November weanling, improved by leaps and bounds over the next 10 months and was hammered

down for $300,000 at last year's Keeneland September Sale. The chestnut is the third to face the starter from his New York-bred dam, winner in her racing days of the Joseph A. Gimma Stakes. This is the Gallagher's female family of Adcat and Adorydar, etc. *O-YM Horse; B-Clarkland Farm LLC (KY); T-Daishi Ito*

3rd-CKO, ¥14,880,000 *($93k)*, Newcomers, 2yo, 1400mT

CINQ SENS (JPN) (f, 2, American Pharoah--Ellie's Smile, by Tapit) is the latest foal out of a half-sister to GSW & GISP Dust and Diamonds (Vindication), herself the dam of Japanese Horse of the Year and two-time divisional champion Do Deuce (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), whose Group 1 conquests included the Arima Kinen, Japan Cup and Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby). Dust and Diamonds also produced MGSP Much Better (Pioneerof the Nile). The cross of American Pharoah over Tapit mares has resulted in 14 winners from 18 starters, including GISW Harvey's Lil Goil. *O-Forest Racing; B-Niikappu Hashimoto Bokujo; T-Minoru Oguri*

VERVE ELEVEN (c, 2, Jack Christopher--Turn and Bern, by Bernardini) cost $52,000 at this year's OBS March Sale and is out of a half-sister to six other winners, including SW Hard To Stay Notgo (More Than Ready), the dam of two full black-type winners as well as a yearling colt by Cody's Wish that sold for $360,000 at the Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred Sale this past week. The female family includes MGSW/MGISP Fed Biz (Giant's Causeway) and GISW Joking (Distorted Humor). *O-Atsushi Fujii; B-Chester & Mary R Broman (NY); T-Ken Kozaki*

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Saratoga, $125,000, (NW2$X)/Opt. Clm ($80,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.40, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

GEORGIA MAGIC (g, 4, Good Magic--Nightlife Baby, by Flatter) Lifetime Record: 17-5-1-1, $349,600. O-Island Wind Racing & Schauer, Steven I.; B-Robert Losey & Good Magic Syndicate (KY); T-Steven I. Schauer. *$60,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; $230,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

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1st-Saratoga, $120,900, (C)/Opt. Clm ($110,000), 8-21, 4yo/up, 1 3/16mT, 1:53.54, fm, 2 1/4 lengths.

TIZ DASHING (c, 4, Tiz the Law--Breaking Beauty, by Into Mischief) Lifetime Record: MGSW, 15-4-2-3, $502,292. O-Sackatoga Stable; B-Camas Park Stud (KY); T-Barclay Tagg. *$215,000 Wlg '22 FTKNOV. **1/2 to Just a Minute (Not This Time), SP, $173,565.

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8th-Saratoga, $120,000, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($55,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.12, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

BOSTON'S PHINEST (f, 4, Honest Mischief--All in Time, by Curlin) Lifetime Record: MSP, 15-4-3-2, $387,325. O-Our Sugar Bear Stable LLC & White Owl Stable; B-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC & Cypress Creek Equine LLC (NY); T-Bruce R. Brown. *$20,000 Ylg '23 KEEJAN; $25,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; $190,000 2yo '24 EASMAY; $95,000 3yo '25 FTDFEB. **1/2 to Libban (Laoban), SW, $268,780.

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2nd-Saratoga, $110,000, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm ($45,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.02, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.
DR. KRAFT (h, 6, The Lieutenant--Princess Consort, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: MSP, 39-6-11-10, $641,737. O-Kantarmaci, Ilkay, Zilla Racing Stables, Black Jack Racing LLC and Forst, Steven; B-Sequel Stallions New York LLC (NY); T-Ilkay Kantarmaci. *$50,000 2yo '22 EASMAY. **1/2 to King of New York (Street Boss), SP, $385,274; Princess Mischief (Honest Mischief), MSP, $176,646; Waterway Run (Arch), GSW-Eng, GSW-USA, $234,289.



Dr. Kraft | *Sarah Andrew*

6th-Ellis, $102,000, 8-21, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.44, ft, nose.
VINTAGE COWBOY (c, 3, Essential Quality--Blind Copy, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, $150,335. O-BC Stables, LLC; B-Fred W. Hertrich III, John D. Fielding & Robert L. Tribbett (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. *$500,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. **1/2 to Coppola (Into Mischief), MSW, $1,067,901.

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8th-Ellis, $102,000, 8-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.02, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.
TRUE PASSION (f, 4, Audible--Fortune Pearl {GSW, $347,072}, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-3, $195,896. O-Norman Stables LLC; B-SF Bloodstock, LLC & Hartwell Farm Inc. (KY); T-Lonnie Briley. *$125,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; $120,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; $50,000 2yo '24 OBSOPN.

Hartwell Farm Graduate

4th-Del Mar, $74,500, (S), (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($20,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03.63, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.
BILLIE HOLIDAY (f, 3, Grazen--Miranda Rose, by Tribal Rule) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, $98,300. O-Nicholas B. Alexander; B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Steven Miyadi. *1/2 to Carmen Miranda (Stanford), MSP, $333,936; Full to Tom Horn, SP, $214,040.

5th-Woodbine, C$70,676, (C)/Opt. Clm ($28,969), 8-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.36, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.
JUST MAGNIFICENT (m, 5, Big Screen--Julia's Star {SW}, by El Prado {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 18-3-4-3, $144,774. O-Leslie, Sue, Kay, Valerie R., Kay, Susan D. and Odell, Chris; B-Hedgestone Management (ON); T-Evette Chartrand-Hoek. *1/2 to Black Horus (Shanghai Bobby), SW-Ity, $141,230.

6th-Woodbine, C$57,834, (C)/Opt. Clm ($29,008), 8-21, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:22.20, fm, 2 3/4 lengths.
MY COVENANT (g, 3, Souper Speedy--Dilly Dally Darby {SP, $135,460}, by Old Forester) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-3, $68,917. O-Mad Dog Racing Stables LLC and Mike Robitaille; B-Tucci Holdings (ON); T-Audrey Cheung.

6th-Delaware, $47,300, (C)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 8-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:42.97, gd, 3 1/4 lengths.
SOCIAL FORTRESS (f, 4, Social Inclusion--Cold Hearted Pearl, by Parading) Lifetime Record: SW & GISP, 8-3-1-2, $238,350. O-Imbesi, Joseph M. & Johnson, Charles B.; B-Joseph Imbesi (FL); T-Gregory D. Sacco.

4th-Delaware, $45,350, 8-21, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:44.85, gd, 1 1/4 lengths.
LE TOUCHE (f, 4, Authentic--Moonstone, by Gemologist) Lifetime Record: 22-4-7-1, $167,715. O-Amaty Racing Stables; B-Gage Hill Stable II, LLC, W. S. Farish & Ken Langone (KY); T-Jose A. Gallegos. *$55,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. **1/2 to La Wally (Constitution), GISP, $164,000.

LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE

7th-Evangeline Downs, $41,000, (S), 8-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.51, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.
YANKEESTROLGY (g, 4, Astrology--Theyankeefuse, by Yankee Gentleman) Lifetime Record: 19-4-4-3, $116,150. O/B/T-Samuel Breaux (LA).

4th-Penn National, $41,000, (S), 8-20, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.44, sy, 2 lengths.
NINJA PRIZE (g, 6, Warrior's Reward--Lemon Strudel, by Rimrod) Lifetime Record: 43-8-9-4, $313,785. O-Natural Slice Stables; B-R H Breeding LLC (PA); T-Cody Beattie.

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5th-Penn National, $39,868, 8-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.32, sy, 1 length.
ITTY BIDDY CITY (f, 3, City of Light--Biddy Duke {GSW, $323,696}, by Bayern) Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-2, $76,500. O-Marcia L. Wolfe; B-Shadai Corporation (KY); T-Robert A. Wolfe, Jr. *$5,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT; $12,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR; $16,000 2yo '25 FTDJUN.

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7th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $37,440, (C)/Opt. Clm ($50,000), 8-20, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.42, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.
DAWN AT NORMANDY (g, 5, Omaha Beach--Flying Spur {GISP, $198,821}, by Giant's Causeway) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-0, $174,736. O-Contreras Stable, Inc. & Knapczyk, Andrew; B-Mike G. Rutherford (KY); T-Cipriano Contreras.

6th-Charles Town, $34,100, (S), 8-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52.07, gd, 4 1/4 lengths.
AIN'T NO ANGEL (f, 3, Fiber Sonde--Shes Pretty Fancy {MSP, $142,363}, by My Boy Adam) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, $49,176. O-Grams Racing Stable LLC; B-Tim & Judith Grams (WV); T-Timothy C. Grams. *Full to Fancy Concho, MSW, $381,830.

7th-Charles Town, $34,100, (S), 8-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:26.40, gd, 1/2 length.
OUR MEMORIES (f, 4, Blofeld--Sweetest Memory, by Outflanker) Lifetime Record: 18-3-7-2, $97,798. O-Grams Racing Stable LLC; B-Leslie Cromer (WV); T-Timothy C. Grams.

8th-Charles Town, $34,100, 8-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.85, gd, 2 1/2 lengths.
CAFFEINENNICOTINE (g, 5, Blofeld--All That Beauty, by Fiber Sonde) Lifetime Record: 23-5-4-2, $128,229. O/B/T-Elizabeth E. Meehan (WV).

5th-Evangeline Downs, $33,880, 8-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.00, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.
SINA (f, 3, Gun Runner--Sittin At the Bar {MSW & GSP, $705,896}, by Into Mischief) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, $82,555. O-Dale P. Ladner; B-Brett A. Brinkman & P. Dale Ladner (KY); T-Brett A. Brinkman. *1/2 to Alva Starr (Lord Nelson), GISW, $1,028,450; Cilla (California Chrome), GSW & GISP, $509,000; Jack the Umpire (Bodemeister), SW, $193,435; Club Car (Malibu Moon), SW & MGSP, $677,265.

6th-Evangeline Downs, $33,480, 8-20, (NW1TL), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.75, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.
LASSIE MY GIRL (m, 6, Double Irish--Robin My Girl {SP, $187,268}, by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: SW, 26-6-6-3, $414,119. O-Byron Brockman; B-Anderson Farms (AR); T-Melton Wilson. *1/2 to Choctaw Charlie (Laurie's Rocket), SP, $152,888.

4th-Canterbury, $29,000, (S), 8-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.96, gd, neck.
RAMBLINGAMBLINMAN (g, 6, Lea--Supreme Maker, by Empire Maker) Lifetime Record: 23-2-4-1, $74,911. O-Anthony J. Didier; B-Scott Pierce (MN); T-Bruce L. Riecken. *$9,000 Ylg '21 MNSAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Call It, g, 2, **Bourbon Courage**--Staged Affair (MSW, $193,287), by Not For Love. Colonial Downs, 8-21, (C), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:04.34. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $34,800. B-Anchor & Hope Farm Inc. (MD).

Full Access, c, 2, **By My Standards**--La Belle de Jour, by Strong Mandate. Ellis, 8-21, (C), 6f, 1:11.59. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $30,962. B-Allied Racing Stable, LLC (KY). *$45,000 RNA Ylg '25 FTKOCT. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Believer, g, 2, **Mo Forza**--Wild Moment, by Medaglia d'Oro. Del Mar, 8-20, (S), 1mT, 1:39.12. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $48,500. B-Mo Forza Partners (CA). *$24,000 RNA Ylg '25 FTCAYR; $30,000 2yo '26 CTBAJA.

Palo Alto Baby, f, 2, **Stanford**--Ju Ju Baby, by Snow Ridge. Del Mar, 8-20, (S), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05.30. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $24,000. B-Robert Traynor (CA). *$34,000 RNA Ylg '25 FTCAYR. **1/2 to Bad Ju Ju (Desert Code), SW, $362,776. ***1ST-TIME STARTER.

Romantic Rumor, f, 2, **Temple City**--Distractor Factor (SP, $161,600), by The Factor. Evangeline Downs, 8-20, 5fT, :57.74. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, $36,400. B-Paul Potier (LA).

Find No Fault, c, 3, **Blame**--Road Tiger, by Quality Road. Ellis, 8-21, 1m, 1:38.21. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-2, $110,692. B-James Gatewood Bell, Jr. & Ike VanMeter (KY). *$110,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP.

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Raisin Weekend, f, 3, **Catalina Cruiser**--Secret Ballot, by Courageous Cat. Delaware, 8-21, 1m (off turf), 1:42.54. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, $42,100. B-W. S. Farish, BCWT, Ltd. & Inwood Stable (KY). *$25,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. **1/2 to Savoy (Honor Code), SP, $290,939.

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Check Ride, f, 3, **Great Notion**--Include a Check, by Include. Penn National, 8-20, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:48.26. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, $28,980. B-Thomas Bowman (MD). *$35,000 Ylg '24 EASOCT.

Supercruiser, g, 3, **Great Notion**--Fly Girl (SP, $111,186), by Jump Start. Colonial Downs, 8-21, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.25. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $42,000. B-Bowman & Higgins Stable (MD). *$35,000 Ylg '24 EASOCT; $180,000 2yo '25 FTDFEB. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Shozan, c, 3, **Khozan**--Soldall, by Soldat. Monmouth, 8-21, (C), 6f, 1:11.05. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $13,800. B-Purple Haze Stables (FL). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Coach of the Year, f, 3, **Maxfield**--Dancing Onthemoon, by Malibu Moon. Saratoga, 8-21, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:43.02. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, $83,772. B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC & Empire Equines, LLC (NY). *$190,000 Ylg '24 SARAUG; $200,000 2yo '25 OBSMAR.

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Grande Sorpreso, g, 3, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Unbridled Surprise, by Street Sense. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-20, 6f, 1:09.97. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, $50,715. B-Randy Bloch, et al (KY). *$115,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEEJAN.

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Municipal, c, 3, **Nyquist**--Live for Now (GSP), by Tiznow. Charles Town, 8-20, 7f, 1:26.29. Lifetime Record: 9-1-1-2, $44,396. B-Susan Casner (KY). *$55,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; $175,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR.

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Captain Shreve, g, 3, **Runhappy**--Sierra Electrica, by Tapit. Del Mar, 8-21, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:03.18. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, $56,300. B-Kretz Racing, LLC (KY).

Lex's Game, g, 4, **Game Winner**--Lots o' Lex (SW & MGSP, $223,200), by Kitalpha. Colonial Downs, 8-21, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:43.36. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, $61,750. B-Dr. Steve Lex & Lisa Lex (KY). *$80,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

Mor Tiger Paw, c, 4, **Mor Spirit**--Krissy's Tiger Paw, by Military. Canterbury, 8-20, (S), 6f, 1:13.23. Lifetime Record: 25-1-4-4, $55,095. B-Dennis Strohkirch (MN).

Aperitif, f, 4, **Vino Rosso**--Big Thrill, by Big Drama. Colonial Downs, 8-21, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.94. Lifetime Record: 10-1-3-1, $114,590. B-Annemarie Toomey (NY). *$62,000 Ylg '23 SARAUG; $9,500 3yo '25 IGDMAY.

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Authentic, Iron Orchard, f, 3, o/o Onebrethatatime, by Brethren. Fleet Indian S., 8-21, Saratoga

Authentic, Le Touche, f, 4, o/o Moonstone, by Gemologist. ALW, 8-21, Delaware

Big Screen, Just Magnificent, m, 5, o/o Julia's Star, by El Prado (Ire). OCL, 8-20, Woodbine



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Blame, Find No Fault, c, 3, o/o Road Tiger, by Quality Road. MSW, 8-21, Ellis

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Blofeld, Our Memories, f, 4, o/o Sweetest Memory, by Outflanker. ALW, 8-20, Charles Town

Bolt d'Oro, Golden Siren, f, 2, o/o Sea Song, by The Factor. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga

Bolt d'Oro, Scalene, c, 2, o/o Equilateral, by Arch. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga

Bourbon Courage, Call It, g, 2, o/o Staged Affair, by Not For Love. MCL, 8-21, Colonial Downs

By My Standards, Full Access, c, 2, o/o La Belle de Jour, by Strong Mandate. MOC, 8-21, Ellis

Catalina Cruiser, Raisin Weekend, f, 3, o/o Secret Ballot, by Courageous Cat. MSW, 8-21, Delaware

City of Light, Itty Biddy City, f, 3, o/o Biddy Duke, by Bayern.

ALW, 8-20, Penn National
Constitution, Beautiful Harper, f, 2, o/o March X Press, by Shanghai Bobby. MSW, 8-21, Colonial Downs
Curlin, Jadorlinija, f, 3, o/o Celestine, by Scat Daddy. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga
Double Irish, Lassie My Girl, m, 6, o/o Robin My Girl, by Mutakddim. ALW, 8-20, Evangeline
Essential Quality, Vintage Cowboy, c, 3, o/o Blind Copy, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 8-21, Ellis
Fiber Sonde, Ain't No Angel, f, 3, o/o Shes Pretty Fancy, by My Boy Adam. ALW, 8-20, Charles Town
Frosted, Piedra Fria, g, 3, o/o Mediate, by Candy Ride (Arg). MSW, 8-21, Del Mar
Game Winner, Lex's Game, g, 4, o/o Lots o' Lex, by Kitalpha. MSW, 8-21, Colonial Downs
Good Magic, Georgia Magic, g, 4, o/o Nightlife Baby, by Flatter. AOC, 8-21, Saratoga
Grazen, Billie Holiday, f, 3, o/o Miranda Rose, by Tribal Rule. AOC, 8-21, Del Mar
Great Notion, Check Ride, f, 3, o/o Include a Check, by Include. MSW, 8-20, Penn National
Great Notion, Supercruiser, g, 3, o/o Fly Girl, by Jump Start. MSW, 8-21, Colonial Downs
Gun Runner, Sina, f, 3, o/o Sittin At the Bar, by Into Mischief. ALW, 8-20, Evangeline
Honest Mischief, Boston's Phinest, f, 4, o/o All in Time, by Curlin. AOC, 8-21, Saratoga
Khozan, Shozan, c, 3, o/o Soldall, by Soldat. MCL, 8-21, Monmouth
Lea, Ramblingamblinman, g, 6, o/o Supreme Maker, by Empire Maker. ALW, 8-20, Canterbury
Maxfield, Coach of the Year, f, 3, o/o Dancing Onthemoon, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga



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Medaglia d'Oro, Grande Sorpreso, g, 3, o/o Unbridled Surprise, by Street Sense. MSW, 8-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Mo Forza, Believer, g, 2, o/o Wild Moment, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 8-20, Del Mar
Mor Spirit, Mor Tiger Paw, c, 4, o/o Krissy's Tiger Paw, by Military. MSW, 8-20, Canterbury
Nyquist, Municipal, c, 3, o/o Live for Now, by Tiznow. MSW, 8-20, Charles Town
Omaha Beach, Dawn At Normandy, g, 5, o/o Flying Spur, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 8-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Practical Joke, Jokester, c, 2, o/o Curlinup, by Curlin. MSW, 8-21, Ellis
Runhappy, Captain Shreve, g, 3, o/o Sierra Electrica, by Tapit. MCL, 8-21, Del Mar
Social Inclusion, Social Fortress, f, 4, o/o Cold Hearted Pearl, by Parading. AOC, 8-21, Delaware
Souper Speedy, My Covenant, g, 3, o/o Dilly Dally Darby, by Old Forester. OCL, 8-21, Woodbine
Stanford, Palo Alto Baby, f, 2, o/o Ju Ju Baby, by Snow Ridge. MCL, 8-20, Del Mar
Temple City, Romantic Rumor, f, 2, o/o Distractor Factor, by The Factor. MSW, 8-20, Evangeline
The Lieutenant, Dr. Kraft, h, 6, o/o Princess Consort, by Dixieland Band. AOC, 8-21, Saratoga
Tiz the Law, Tiz Dashing, c, 4, o/o Breaking Beauty, by Into Mischief. AOC, 8-21, Saratoga
Vino Rosso, Aperitif, f, 4, o/o Big Thrill, by Big Drama. MSW, 8-21, Colonial Downs
Warrior's Reward, Ninja Prize, g, 6, o/o Lemon Strudel, by Rimrod. ALW, 8-20, Penn National

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‘HE WAS ALL FIRE’: BACIO WIRES NUNTHORPE IN HERNANDEZ MASTERCLASS

by Tom Frary

Any questions about York’s easy ground were comprehensively answered by **Bacio** (Maclean’s Music) as the American sensation did his pillar-to-post act in Friday’s G1 Coolmore City Of Troy Nunthorpe Stakes.

Arguably Juan Hernandez’s only anxious moment came in the stalls, with the 3-1 favourite momentarily upset and threatening to spoil the cross-Atlantic party before it even began but once composure was regained it was all about pace, pace and more pace in the event itself. At the line, the Wesley Ward-trained three-year-old who had burst onto the scene in Royal Ascot’s Palace Of Holyroodhouse Handicap had 1 1/4 lengths to spare over **Starlust** (Zoustar), who nosed out **Rumstar** (Havana Grey) for second. **Cont. p3**

FIRST GROUP WINNER FOR BAYSIDE BOY AS ARAPAHO GOLD LANDS GIMCRACK SPOILS

by Sean Cronin

Carole Dods and Doug Graham’s Listed Rose Bowl Stakes winner **Arapaho Gold** (Bayside Boy) continued on a roll and took his record to a perfect four-from-four when becoming freshman sire Bayside Boy’s first Group winner in Friday’s G2 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai Gimcrack Stakes at York.

“Once he was out and running I was happy,” said Michael Dods, who saddled Mecca’s Angel to two Nunthorpe victories at this venue. “At halfway he was looking for a bit of room, but once the room came he really quickened up.” **Cont. p6**

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INJURY KEEPS IRAD ORTIZ OUT OF ALABAMA

Irad Ortiz Jr will miss the GI Alabama Stakes aboard **Counting Stars** (Honor A. P.) due to injury, and his brother, Jose Ortiz Jr, will ride the filly instead.



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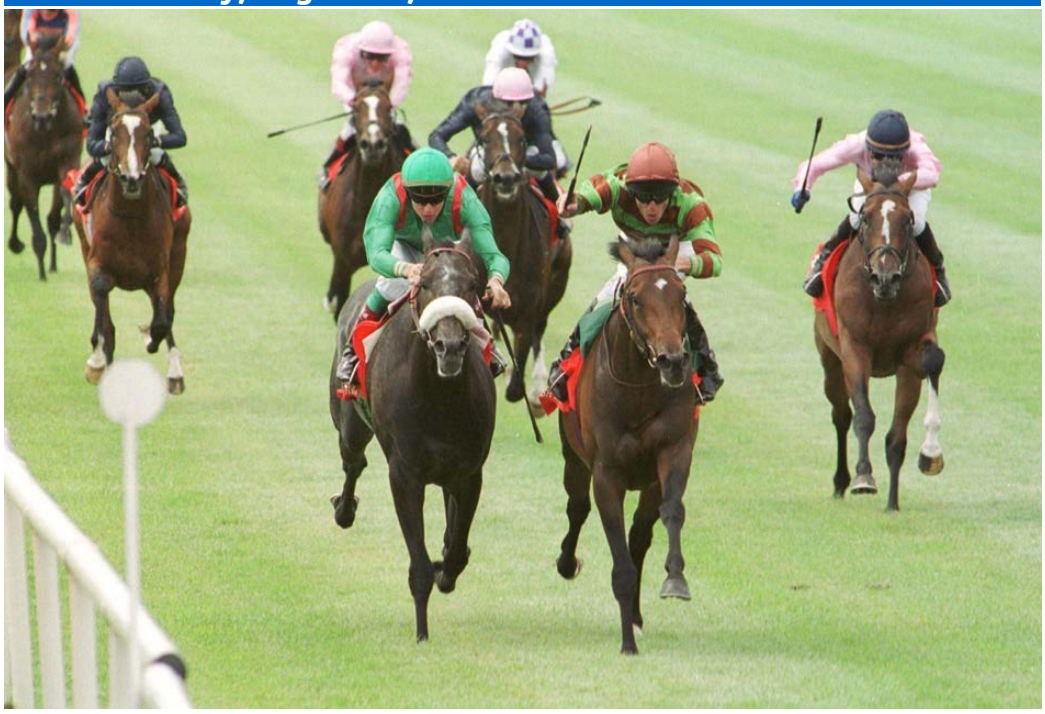

Alamshar (Key Of Luck) is pictured winning the Irish Derby over fellow Aga Khan runner Dalakhani. The bay, who died on August 20 in Japan, would go on to take the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes later that summer. See page 10 for more.
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10 | DIAMOND NECKLACE ANCHORS DEAUVILLE'S SUNDAY CARD
The unbeaten daughter of St Mark's Basilica is one of 11 in the G1 Prix Jean and Louis Romanet.

11 | SUN GODDESS LEADS EUROPEAN 2YOS BY TIMEFORM RATING
The Group 1 winner is fresh off a victory in Harry's Half Million at York and is rated 110p, top of all European juveniles, by Timeform.

15 | KA YING RISING WOWED IN A SHA TIN BARRIER TRIAL
The gelded son of Shamexpress won his barrier trial over the Sha Tin dirt on Friday. He will race on the HKJC's opening day, September 6.

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G1 Nunthorpe Stakes Cont. from p1

Bacio covered the first furlong of this "Win and You're In" for the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint in :13 seconds dead, getting upwards of nearly two lengths on everything as a result with the first three sectionals completed in :34.8. His penultimate split of :11.85 ended the duel, affording him the luxury of deceleration on the run to the line as the Brits got going.



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Juan Hernandez was typically humble before his quick exit via helicopter ahead of Saturday's Del Mar card. "That was some performance, all the credit goes to Bacio--I'm just happy to be here, enjoying the moment," he said. "He was all fire, even before the gate he was trying to get ahead of the other guys, he kind of hit the gate a little bit but after that he was calm and he was ready."

"When the gate opened, he was trying to go too early but I was able to take him back a little bit and save him for the last part. I want to say thanks to Wesley Ward for bringing me here, assistant Blake, the groom--they do a really beautiful job with this horse and thanks to everybody. Hopefully I can come back again, as it's really special. It's something I never imagined when I started riding back in Mexico, but I'm really happy and this race is for America and all of my family."

Showing this pace when wiring allowance optional claimers at Del Mar in November and at Churchill in April, Bacio had set up this tilt when killing Sandal's Song (Mendelssohn) et al at the Royal meeting where the only drama came post-race due to Hernandez's misplaced overgirth. This time, the moment of concern came in the starting gate but due to the help of Ain't Nobody's rider Kevin Stott next door, the US raider was stopped from doing something reckless and the show was ready. **Cont. p4**



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G1 Nunthorpe Stakes Cont.

York's faithful will remember the great Dayjur and the beloved mare Lochsong making all in this race, but despite it offering a raw test of speed it is rarely dominated from the front in this way. Wesley Ward himself had the painful experience of watching Lady Aurelia getting caught in the shade of the post in 2017, so brutal early pace has to be backed up by ample staying power. Hernandez was able to take a peek back at least twice around the two-furlong marker before issuing the final blow to the rabble in behind and this time there was no Marsha flying out of the pack to break hearts.

Ward's daughter-in-law Caitlin Dunne said, "He is high-energy, a typical sprinter which is why we were happy to have Juan here as he knows him so well--that definitely paid off today. It's no small feat for Juan, as he has to be back at Del Mar for really important rides but he believed in the horse and was here to take care of him along with the whole team, Wesley's assistant Blake Heap and his groom Jose Reveles. It takes a village and they all showed up for him and Bacio showed up for us today."

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GROUP 2 GLORY
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G1 Nunthorpe Stakes Cont.

"Wesley has always been infatuated by running horses here and I can't imagine how he is feeling to get that pay-off, but what I do know is I am so proud of him and the whole team back home," she added. "I know they are over the moon right now. He didn't meet his reserve at the sale, so the breeders stayed in and when he showed promise they got an outside offer but Wesley said 'I can't lose this horse' and asked me if Michael Behrens would take a piece of him. He said 'absolutely' and thought it would be a really fun ride, so we got the deal done to keep the horse in the barn and it's worked out!"

"The My Racehorse concept has been so much fun and the owners are so passionate and will make this kind of trip," Dunne concluded. "Bacio's keeping the air miles very heavy in the account and we love it, but the Breeders' Cup is at home and just a short walk across the street to the starting gate--hopefully we'll show ourselves well there."

This was the swansong of last year's winner **Asfoora** (Flying Artie), who was eighth and Henry Dwyer said, "We've had an amazing journey over the three years and sadly all good things come to an end. There has been a lot of merit in her runs this year and she didn't really enjoy the ground today, but she tried her heart out again and that's all we can ask. It's time to find another one now."

Pedigree Notes

Bred by Borrowdale LLC (Andrew Cary), Torie Gladwell, Cincinnati Avenue Equine, Knollwood Farm and Valerie Dailey, the winner who was also second in last year's Speakeasy Stakes is a son of the Summer Winds Stakes scorer Katie's Kiss (Kantharos). A half to the fellow Stakes winner Stonestreetsong (Songandaprayer), her two-year-old filly Southern Kiss (Golden Pal) was a $15,000 purchase by Blue Crevalle at the Ocala Spring Sale while she also has a colt foal by Arabian Knight.

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Friday, York, Britain

COOLMORE CITY OF TROY NUNTHORPE STAKES-G1, £600,000, York, 8-21, 2yo/up, 5fT, :59.42, g/s.

1--**BACIO, 139, c, 3, by Maclean's Music**

1st Dam: Katie's Kiss (SW-US), by Kantharos

2nd Dam: Sydney's Kiss, by Boston Harbor

3rd Dam: Sixkissesforsara, by Saratoga Six

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GROUP WIN, 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. ($140,000 RNA 2yo '25 OBSMAR). O-Myracehorse/Gladwell/Dailey/Dejablu; B-Torie Gladwell, Cincinnati Equine, Borrowdale LLC & Knollwood farm, et al (KY); T-Wesley Ward;



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2--**Starlust (GB)**, 141, h, 5, Zoustar (Aus)--Beyond Desire (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). (55,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Mrs Fitri Hay; B-Branton Court Stud LLP; T-Ralph Beckett. £129,000.

3--**Rumstar (GB)**, 141, g, 6, Havana Grey (GB)--Stellarta (GB), by Sakhee's Secret (GB). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE**. O-Vincent and Russell Ward; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud; T-Jonathan Portman. £64,560.

Margins: 1 1/4, NO, HF. Odds: 3.00, 25.00, 22.00.

Also Ran: Time For Sandals (Ire), Rayevka (Ire), Night Raider (Ire), Jm Jungle (Ire), Asfoora (Aus), Cover Up (Ire), Heavenly Heather (GB), Redorange (GB), American Affair (GB), Ain't Nobody (Ire), Pershaada (Ire), Partisan Hero (Ire), Mission Central (Ire), Azure Angel (GB), Fitzella (GB).

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G2 Gimcrack Stakes Cont. from p1

He said, "Connor [Beasley] said he gave him some feel the way he quickened away from them in the last 100 yards. He's a good horse, this was a big step up and he's taken everything in his stride. When we've wanted him to step up he has and he has stepped up again there. He's just some horse isn't he?"

Outling plans for the future, the trainer added, "He'll go to the [G2] Mill Reef [at Newbury] now, that will probably be it for the season and we'll see where we go next year. He's got the speed for six furlongs as you've just seen and I don't think you'll see any problems getting seven as he quickens up and he gallops. He's an exciting horse to have and it's brilliant that we've got him in the yard. We've had a lot of luck at York, but this is right up there with the two Mecca's Angel wins."

The 2-1 second choice tanked along racing fourth under cover behind the leaders as **Agamemnon** (Mehmas) set a modest pace up top. Angling into an open lane with a quarter-mile remaining, he quickened smartly to launch his challenge approaching the final furlong and was driven out to defeat **Final Objective** (Sioux Nation) by 3/4-of-a-length.



Arapaho Gold | *Racingfotos.com*

The Adrian Keatley-trained G3 Molecomb third **Hell Of A Spin** (Naval Crown) fared best of the remainder and finished 2 1/4 lengths adrift in third, a neck ahead of the pacesetting Rose Bowl third Agamemnon. Ballydoyle's 13-8 favourite **Marco Polo** (Night Of Thunder) was unable to feature at the business end and finished eighth.

Wathnan Racing's Richard Brown reflected on the valiant effort of runner-up Final Objective and commented, "It was a massive run, it's one where you are delighted because the horse has run a huge race and a furlong out I thought he was coming to win. He hasn't been straightforward, Hamad [Al Jehani] has done a great job training this horse and that is a career best, so we'll keep him busy. He wandered about when he won at Thirsk last week and he has done again, so I think we'll pop a pair of cheekpieces on. There's a race in France, the [G3] Prix Eclipse, that we could look at, but we'll all have a sit down and see what might be best for him."

Hell Of A Spin followed up a 66-1 third in the Molecomb with an 18-1 third here. "He's a hardy little horse who tries his heart out and he's running consistently well in these good races," said trainer Adrian Keatley. "You'd like to think there's a nice one in him one of these days, I don't think the trip or ground were a concern for him, it was just the winner quickened away. He's been placed in a Molecomb and Gimcrack now and there could be a race in France towards the back-end for him [G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte]. We'll keep trying."

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Pedigree Notes

Arapaho Gold, a €42,000 Goffs Orby Book 2 half-brother to a yearling filly by Coulsty, is the third of four foals and one of two scorers produced by a winning full-sister to Listed Jagersro Sprint third Lost My Sock (Bungle Inthejungle).

His dam Call Of The Jungle (Bungle Inthejungle), who hails from the family of sires Zafonic and Zamindar, is also kin to Listed Gillies Fillies' Stakes victrix Company Asset (Fast Company) and to the dam of stakes-winning G3 Mercury Stakes third Funny Money Honey (Bungle Inthejungle).

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FIRST GROUP WINNER FOR SIRE

Friday, York, Britain

AL BASTI EQUIWORLD DUBAI GIMCRACK STAKES-G2, £250,000, York, 8-21, 2yo, c/g, 6fT, 1:12.89, g/s.

1--**ARAPAHO GOLD (IRE), 128, g, 2, by Bayside Boy (Ire)**
1st Dam: Call Of The Jungle (Ire), by Bungle Inthejungle (GB)
2nd Dam: Changari, by Gulch
3rd Dam: Danzari (GB), by Arazi
1ST GROUP WIN. (€42,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY). O-Doug Graham & Carole Dods; B-Newlands House Stud; T-Michael Dods; J-Connor Beasley. £141,775. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, $242,884. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.

2--**Final Objective (Ire)**, 128, g, 2, Sioux Nation--Sneaky Snooze (Ire), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). **1ST BLACK TYPE**; **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (€55,000 Ylg '25 TATIRY; £115,000 2yo '26 GOUKB). O-Wathnan Racing; B-Richie Galway & Justin Carthy; T-Hamad Al Jehani. £53,750.

3--**Hell Of A Spin (Ire)**, 128, c, 2, Naval Crown (GB)--Shamankiyna (Fr), by Azamour (Ire). (€65,000 Ylg '25 TATIRY; €75,000 2yo '26 TATBRU). O-Phillipa Griffin & Partner; B-Corduff Stud; T-Adrian Keatley. £26,900.

Margins: 3/4, 2 1/4, NK. Odds: 2.00, 18.00, 18.00.

Also Ran: Agamemnon (GB), Adaay Of Scarlett (Ire), Mussab (GB), Matteo (Ire), Marco Polo (Ire), Never Enough (GB), Ronson (GB). Scratched: Great Oak (Ire), Mrair (Ire).

AL NAYYIR HAS HIS DAY IN THE LONSDALE CUP *by Tom Frary*

Such is the nature of racing at the extreme ends of the distance spectrum, it is possible that if you hang around long enough you can have your day and that was the case at York on Friday as **Al Nayyir** (Dubawi) took the G2 Weatherbys Lonsdale Cup at the third attempt.

Narrowly denied by Vauban in 2024 and third to Trawlerman last term, Elbashir Salem Elhrari's veteran had confirmed his love for this venue when runner-up in the Yorkshire Cup in May and this time found no immovable objects in his path. Coming from the clouds late under William Buick to overhaul **Illinois** (Galileo), the 9-1 shot who had earlier won the Nad Al Sheba Trophy asserted for a length success.

"He hit a flat spot, but Tom [Clover] did tell me beforehand that he does do that and they went a nice pace, got racing very early and he probably just ended up picking up the pieces towards the end a little bit," the winning rider said. "It's brilliant for Tom and the team and this horse has been to Meydan and ran good in races all year here, so he deserved that one."

Clover said, "They got racing a long way out and he was off the bridle early, but he finds for pressure. William gave him a fantastic ride. He ground it out great, he's a lovely horse to have in the yard. He favours that left-hand lead, he's slightly better left-handed. At eight-years-young we'll look after him. I'd imagine he'll go out to Dubai, whether he'll have one more run here I'm not sure. We'll enjoy today."



Al Nayyir | *Racingfotos.com*

Pedigree Notes

Al Nayyir is one of three Stakes winners by Dubawi out of Bright Beacon (Manduro) alongside the Gordon Stakes scorer and St Leger runner-up New London and the Pat Eddery Stakes winner Al Dabaran who was also placed on multiple occasions in Group company including when third in the Queen's Vase. Bright Beacon is a daughter of the Falmouth runner-up Waldmark (Mark Of Esteem), dam of the Leger hero Masked Marvel (Montjeu) and second dam of the Arc hero Waldgeist (Galileo).

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Friday, York, Britain
WEATHERBYS LONSDALE CUP-G2, £250,000, York, 8-21, 3yo/up, 16f 56yT, 3:35.52, g/s.
1--**AL NAYYIR (GB), 131, g, 8, by Dubawi (Ire)**
1st Dam: Bright Beacon (GB), by Manduro (Ger)
2nd Dam: Waldmark (Ger), by Mark of Esteem (Ire)
3rd Dam: Wurftaube (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger)
O-Elbashir Elhrari; B-Godolphin; T-Tom Clover; J-William Buick. £141,775. Lifetime Record: GSW-UAE, MSW & GSP-Fr, 32-8-6-5, $1,281,253. *Full to New London (Ire), GSW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-UAE; Full to Al Dabaran (GB), SW & MGSP-Eng, MGSP-Fr. **Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree**.
2--**Illinois (Ire)**, 131, h, 5, Galileo (Ire)--Danedrop (Ire), by Danehill. O-Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Coolmore; T-Aidan O'Brien. £53,750.
3--**Mount Atlas (GB)**, 131, g, 5, Masar (Ire)--Highland Pass (GB), by Passing Glance (GB). O-Kingsclere Racing Club; B-Kingsclere Stud; T-Andrew Balding. £26,900.
Margins: 1, 2 1/4, 3HF. Odds: 9.00, 6.50, 4.00.
Also Ran: Caballo De Mar (Ire), Quickthorn (GB), French Master (Ire), Amiloc (GB), Columbus (Ger). Scratched: Carmers.



SARATOGA DERBY GAINS EUROPEAN FLAVOUR

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This column is highlighted by the victory of Glacius at Saratoga.

Another Feather In Too Darn Hot's Cap

Ibrahim Araci homebred **Glacius** (Too Darn Hot) earned his first black-type tally with a bang, winning the GI Saratoga Derby Stakes at Saratoga for Hugo Palmer on August 8 (video).

The three-year-old colt is a great advertisement on the prowess of Fastnet Rock mares, as his dam is by the late Coolmore reverse shuttle sire. The placed Predawn, picked up by Araci's Old Mill Stud and Rob Speers for 600,000gns out of the 2019 Tattersalls December Mares Sale, has already left Al Jafara (Pinatubo), placed in the Listed Plenty Of Grace Stakes at Aqueduct. A full-sister to G1 Oaks heroine Qualify, Predawn is also from the family of Alleged's blue hen daughter Eva Luna.

With the victory of Glacius, Darley's shuttle stallion Too Darn Hot continues to pad his stallion credentials, with the winner his eighth Group/Grade 1 winner. The son of Dubawi has now sired top-level scorers in Germany, the U.S., the UAE, Australia, the UK, Ireland, and France.



Glacius | *Sarah Andrew*

Saturday, Saratoga
SARATOGA DERBY S. PRESENTED BY QATAR RACING-GI, $750,000, Saratoga, 8-8, 3yo, 1 3/16mT, 1:53.22, fm.
1--**GLACIUS (GB), 124, c, 3, by Too Darn Hot (GB)**
1st Dam: Predawn (Ire), by Fastnet Rock (Aus)
2nd Dam: Perihelion (Ire), by Galileo (Ire)
3rd Dam: Medicosma, by The Minstrel
1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN, 1ST GRADE I WIN. O/B-V I Araci (GB); T-Hugo Palmer; J-Luis Saez. $412,500. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-3, $465,410.

Kingman Filly Blooms At The Spa

The 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard'-worthy performance of **Baliage** was one for the notebooks on August 14 (video). It is worth noting that the daughter of GI First Lady Stakes heroine Blowout (Dansili) is herself a granddaughter of G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches winner Beauty Parlour (Deep Impact).

The Peter Brant homebred and Chad Brown trainee is one of 55 winners from 104 runners in the U.S. and Canada by Juddmonte's Kingman.

Like GIII Pebbles Stakes thirds Bahamian Club--who raced for Brant and Brown--and Startup Mentality, a Klaravich Stables runner and Brown trainee, Baliage counts fellow Juddmonte stalwart Dansili as her broodmare sire. **Cont. p9**

Making Waves Cont.

Another U.S. winner out of a Dansili mare by the son of Invincible Spirit is Samburu, a foal of 2019.

Worldwide, Kingman has six stakes winners out of his former studmate's daughters. Multiple group winner Tempus, G3 Derby Trial Stakes hero Cormorant, and G3 Brownstown Stakes victress Marbling are all group scorers bred on the cross.

6th-Saratoga, $115,000, Msw, 8-14, 2yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:46.25, fm, nose.

BALIAGE (IRE), f, 2, by Kingman (GB)

1st Dam: Blowout (GB) (GISW, $988,600), by Dansili (GB)

2nd Dam: Beauty Parlour (GB), by Deep Impact (Jpn)

3rd Dam: Bastet (Ire), by Giant's Causeway

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $63,250. O-Peter M. Brant; B-White Birch Farm SC (IRE); T-Chad C. Brown.

Mind Over Matter

Already Grade I-placed in the Fourstardave Stakes, **Intellect** returned a winner at Saratoga for Chad Brown on August 14 (video). Owned by Madaket Stables, Michael Dubb and Steven Bouchey, the five-year-old gelding is by Intello.

Part of Michel Sardou's breeding programme in France, he changed hands for €20,000 as an Arqana December foal. Raced by Sophie Devin and trainer Henri-Francois Devin for his first nine starts, he left the land of his birth a listed winner of the Prix du Pont Neuf, before resurfacing in America for new connections. His dam, the winning Iffraaj mare Caldera, also has a winning full-sister to Intellect named Etymologie, a placed three-year-old gelding, Fra Angelico (Toronado), and a juvenile filly by Ebro River, Cantabria. Intellect is kin to G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero-turned-sire Clodovil.

Haras de Beaumont's Intello has eight winners from 12 runners in the states after Intellect's victory (66%). GI United Nations Stakes hero Adhamo and GII Pan American Stakes winner Kertez are his stakes winners there.

Time Test Gelding Finds His Way

Phil D'Amato saddled **Path To Power** (Time Test) to win a 1 1/8-mile turf affair at Del Mar on August 8 (video). The three-year-old gelding races for CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Strand Beach LLC, Omar Aldabbagh, Jerry McClanahan and Michael Nentwig.

Bred by Highview Bloodstock and A Swinburn, the recently gelded son of group winner Miss Marjurie (Marju) was a 24,000gns Book 2 Tattersalls October yearling. He finished second in his only start in Europe for Mrs. R Halley and trainer Josh Halley. Besides the stakes-placed Smoken (Too Darn Hot), her juvenile filly by Ghaiyyath has been named Lady Perdita, while her yearling colt by Triple Time is entered as lot 696 during the 2026 Book 2 sale in October. Her latest foal is a weanling filly by G1 Prix du Jockey Club hero Look De Vega, who stands at Ballylinch Stud. The classy Soviet Song (Marju) is under the third dam.

Now standing in Turkey, Time Test has sired 16 stakes winners worldwide, with his oldest progeny seven-year-olds. His strike rate in the U.S. is flawless with the victory of Path To Power, his only runner in that jurisdiction.

Saxon Warrior Filly Best Of All In Canada

Repole Stable's **Celebrity Warrior** (Saxon Warrior) graduated at Woodbine on August 15 (video). Stakes-placed in Laurel's Selima Stakes last year, the three-year-old filly is now trained by Kevin Attard.

Patrick Gleeson bred the daughter of Guana (Dark Angel), before sending her through the Goffs November Foal Sale, where she was picked up for €100,000 by West Bloodstock on behalf of Mike Repole's operation. Celebrity Warrior is a half-sister to G2 Superlative Stakes third Great Prospector (Elzaam) and G3 Molecomb Stakes hero and G1 Middle Park Stakes third Rumble Inthejungle. The latter is a stallion at Norman Court Stud, while fellow stallion, Superlative Stakes hero Birchwood, is under the second dam. He placed at the Breeders' Cup and in Ireland's National Stakes at the highest level.

With the victory of Celebrity Warrior, Coolmore's Saxon Warrior now has five winners from 10 runners (50%) in North America. His best is GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile hero Victoria Road, while Freydis The Red claimed the Listed Dueling Grounds Oaks and was third in the GIII Pucker Up Stakes. **Cont. p10**



Survie | *Sarah Andrew*

Repeat Winners

It was a first Grade I victory for Michael Tabor's **Survie** (Churchill) on August 15. The Churchill mare defeated males in the Christophe Clement Turf Stakes at Saratoga for trainer George Boughey (video).

The CTT and TOC Stakes went to **Vronti** (Night Of Thunder) at Del Mar for trainer Graham Motion on August 15 (video). Racing in the colours of Andrew Stone, she is the 93rd stakes winner for her Darley sire.

St. Elias Stable and WinStar Farm's **Thankfulness** (Mehmas) won for the second time in six starts at Monmouth Park on August 16 (video). The daughter of Brief Moment (Galileo) is trained by Miguel Clement.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

DIAMOND NECKLACE THE STAR ATTRACTION ON SUPER SUNDAY AT DEAUVILLE



Diamond Necklace | *Scoop Dyga*

Coolmore and Westerberg's undefeated **Diamond Necklace** (St Mark's Basilica) will attempt a fifth straight Group 1 triumph in Sunday's G1 Sumbe Prix Jean et Louis Romanet at Deauville.

Accompanied on the trip by stablemates **Beautify** (Wootton Bassett) and **Moments Of Joy** (Justify), her 10 opponents also include last term's G1 Prix Vermeille heroine **Aventure** (Sea The Stars), G1 Irish Oaks fourth **Rebel Moon** (Lope De Vega) and G2 German 1000 Guineas victrix **Timeforshowcasing** (Showcasing).

Elsewhere on Sunday's card, Ballydoyle will send forth three contenders, all by No Nay Never, for the G1 Sumbe Prix Morny, namely undefeated G2 Coventry winner **Great Barrier Reef**, G2 Richmond victor **Man's Best Friend** and G1 Phoenix Stakes fourth **Carry The Flag**.

The six-furlong contest also features G2 Norfolk hero **Orthodox** (Havana Grey), G2 Duchess Of Cambridge victrix **Senorita Bonita** (Starspangledbanner) and unbeaten G3 Prix de Cabourg winner **Kosuma** (Night Of Thunder).

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'HE WAS THE REAL DEAL' – MURTAGH REMEMBERS ALAMSHAR

His Highness The Aga Khan's brilliant G1 Irish Derby and G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes hero **Alamshar** died due to old age on August 20, JBBA Stallions announced on X Friday morning. The pensioned son of Key Of Luck was 26.

Johnny Murtagh, who partnered Alamshar throughout his career, remembered him as an unassuming and perhaps underappreciated horse who was capable of exceptional performances at his best.

"He had two great days," Murtagh told *TDN*. "The day at the Curragh was a brilliant day and a brilliant performance, and then he went on to the King George. When you look at the field he beat there, he put up some performance.

"He ran very, very well in the Epsom Derby. It was a slow-run race and he flew home, so we did fancy him [for the Irish Derby].

"He wasn't a big, powerful horse; he was quite unassuming. But on those two days, the Irish Derby and the King George, he was pretty exceptional. He was the real deal."

A homebred for the late Aga Khan, Alamshar was the fifth foal out of Alaiyda (Shahrastani). Unbeaten in two starts for John Oxx as a juvenile, including the G3 Beresford Stakes, he opened his sophomore year with a second in the G3 Ballysax Stakes, before putting his stamp on the G2 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial Stakes later that spring.

Third in the 2003 edition of the G1 Derby, Alamshar delivered arguably the performance for which he is best known when defeating fellow Aga Khan runner Dalakhani in the Irish Derby while wearing his owner's original green-and-brown hooped silks. He doubled up in the King George later that summer, and after two more starts, retired with a mark of 9-5-1-1 and $2,046,874 in earnings.

Retired to Japan for stallion duty in 2004, he was moved to the Irish National Stud under a lease agreement for 2006 and 2007, before returning to the Land of the Rising Sun where he spent the remainder of his career. **Cont. p11**

Alamshar Cont.

He was pensioned after the 2017 breeding season at the JBBA's Shizunai Stallion Station. Although he only left 128 foals, Alamshar is the damsire of stakes winners Snapraeterea (Buratino) and Rhein Carina (Pyro). The former was placed twice in group races in Ireland.

Added The Aga Khan Studs in a statement on X, "Remembering Alamshar, the brilliant Irish Derby and King George winner who has passed away at the age of 26. Thank you to our friends, JBBA Stallions, for caring for him so well."

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SUN GODDESS LEADS TIMEFORM'S EUROPEAN 2YO RATINGS



Sun Goddess | *Timeform*

Fresh off her six-length victory in the Harry's Half Million, **Sun Goddess** (Sioux Nation) now holds pride of place on Timeform's European two-year-old ratings.

The G1 Phoenix Stakes heroine, who races for the Coolmore partners, sits clear of her peers at 110p, two pounds ahead of stablemates **Great Barrier Reef** (No Nay Never) and **Victorious** (Wootton Bassett), both at 108p. Her G3 Albany Stakes victrix **Libertango** (No Nay Never), who won the G2 Lowther Stakes earlier in the week, is one of six juveniles rated at 107p. The others at that mark are: **Avec Toi** (No Nay Never), **Inner City Blues** (Blue Point), **Man's Best Friend** (No Nay Never), **Orthodox** (Havana Grey), and **Senorita Bonita** (Starspangledbanner).

Kieran Clark, horse racing analyst at Timeform, said, “Sun Goddess’s run in the sales race was stunning. Though she was well clear on ratings for the race and a big run was expected, she had to overcome significant trouble in running and still won by a cool six lengths.

“It’s not the sort of race that would usually produce the season’s highest-rated two-year-old, but this was no ordinary performance and she’s now clear on Timeform figures at 110p. Libertango confirmed her class in the Lowther without doing anything eye-catching and has been nudged up a pound to 107p. Hopefully we get to see them clash again in the Cheveley Park at Newmarket.”

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, August 22, 2026:

UNITED KINGDOM

Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
85 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners
16:45-YORK, 100K The Julia Graves Roses Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)5f, **Sale Shark (Ire)**
€52,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025

Minzaal (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud
115 foals of racing age/12 winners/1 black-type winner
15:54-NEWMARKET, 6f, **Baldetti (Ire)**
25,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025
15:15-CHESTER, 6f, **Takaaful (GB)**

Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
71 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
16:45-YORK, 100K The Julia Graves Roses Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)5f, **Dance A Jig (GB)**
18:45-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, **Eighth Immortal (Ire)**
20,000gns RNA Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025; £40,000 RNA Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
99 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
16:45-YORK, 100K The Julia Graves Roses Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)5f, **Dubai Champion (Ire)**
€38,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 40,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2026
18:45-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, **Mount St (Ire)**
23,000gns Tattersalls December Yearling Sale 2025
15:15-CHESTER, 6f, **Nicely (Ire)**
€19,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; £95,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026
15:54-NEWMARKET, 6f, **Topaz (Ire)**
72,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025



Bayside Boy celebrated his first group winner with the unbeaten Arapaho Gold | *Emma Berry*

Space Traveller (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}), Starfield Stud
122 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
16:18-REDCAR, 6f, **Dontlookanyfurther (Ire)**
13,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025; £35,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026
16:50-REDCAR, 7f, **Here's To It (Ire)**
5,500gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025
13:34-NEWMARKET, 6f, **Walkin On The Moon (Ire)**
£52,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2025

State of Rest (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), Rathbarry Stud
79 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
18:45-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, **Pirates Paradise (Ire)**
€42,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025

FRANCE
Golden Pal (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford
204 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
2-DEAUVILLE, 1600m, **Quinte Flush Aas (Ire)**
£30,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2025; £7,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

Mare Australis (Ire) (Australia {GB}), Haras de la Hetraie
53 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-DEAUVILLE, 1600m, **Queen of Queens (Fr)**

Sealiway (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), Haras de Beaumont
86 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
4-DEAUVILLE, 1600m, **Seal the Deal (Fr)**
€7,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2025

IRELAND
Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
85 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners
1-CURRAGH, 7f, **Senan (Ire)**
€50,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €75,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
99 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
1-CURRAGH, 7f, **Salt Lake (Ire)**
135,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

BRITAIN

Friday's Results:
7th-York, £100,000, Hcp, 8-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 10f 56yT, 2:13.46, g/s.
SILVER LAKE (GB) (f, 3, Night Of Thunder {Ire}--Kirstenbosch {GB} {GSP-Eng}, by Mount Nelson {GB}), who took a handicap at the Qatar Goodwood Festival last month, raced in mid-pack throughout the early stages. Staying on strongly to collar Pendella (Space Blues) in the closing stages, the 11-10 favourite asserted to prevail by a head.

"We were going to go forward, but the headwind has got up so we asked Saffie [Osborne] to be aware of that--it was a bit of an ordinary watch, I have to say, but she got there in the end," William Haggas said. "I think she's looking for a mile and a half and I don't think she enjoyed the ground much--I didn't think her action was very good, even going to post."

"She's getting up to having a shot at a black-type race," he added. "She's obviously in good form, she's doing well, so we'll have a look and see what there is."

The winner is the second foal out of the dam, who was second in the September Stakes and is a half to the Robert G. Dick Memorial Stakes scorer Cheetah (Tiger Hill). From the Aga Khan family of the Irish St Leger heroine and Hong Kong Vase runner-up Kastoria (Selkirk), her two-year-old filly Izabel (Zarak) was a 50,000gns purchase by Stroud Coleman Bloodstock for Fred Archer Racing at Tattersalls October Book 2. Her yearling filly by Too Darn Hot is catalogued in the upcoming Tattersalls October Book 2. Sales history: 420,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, $139,262.
O-Wathnan Racing; B-Fittocks Stud; T-William Haggas.

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1st-Newmarket, £12,000, Nov, 8-21, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:24.74, g/f. **BEGUILED (GB) (f, 2, Make Believe {GB}--Swoon {Fr}, by Frankel {GB})**, a G2 Rockfel and G1 Fillies' Mile nominee, shaped with promise when a debut third in a July 30 Goodwood maiden and was caught without cover racing on the wing through the initial fractions here. Taking closer order once past halfway, the 1-3 favourite was shaken up to engage Jessica (Coulsty) with a quarter-mile remaining and kept on strongly under continued urging in the latter stages to defeat that rival by two lengths.

"It wasn't ideal being caught out on the wing, but she's taken a step forward from her first run," said Billy Loughnane. "She had to learn the hard way and, when I gave her a couple of taps, she knuckled down and got the job done well. I don't think one mile would be an issue, but seven [furlongs] will be fine next time."

Beguiled is the first of three foals out of a dual-winning half to dual Group 2-winning G1 Al Maktoum Challenge second Military Law (Dubawi), Listed Prix de Thiberville victrix Marina Piccola (Halling) and G3 UAE 2000 Guineas third Wednaan (Dubawi).

Marina Piccola, in turn, is the dam of G1 Grosser Preis von Berlin hero French King (French Fifteen) and G3 Prix d'Hedouville victor Mutabahi (French Fifteen). The winner is kin to yearling and weanling fillies by Kameko. Sales history: 72,000gns Ylg '25 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $18,128.
O-Rachel Hood & Richard Evans; B-Qatar Bloodstock Ltd; T-John & Thady Gosden.



Make Believe | *Ballylinch Stud*

2nd-Newmarket, £13,000, Nov, 8-21, 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:25.40, g/f. **MAJESTIC JUDE (IRE) (c, 2, Minzaal {Ire}--Atlas Silk {GB}, by Dansili {GB})**, fifth over this trip at Great Yarmouth in his July 28 debut last time, eased forward to race in a prominent second after the initial strides of this return. Looming large going well at the quarter-mile pole, the 2-1 second favourite seized control soon after and kept on strongly under urging up the hill to easily overpower Al Jabbar (Sea The Stars) by an impressive 3 3/4 lengths becoming the 12th winner for his freshman sire (by Mehmas).

"You can always expect improvement with the horses coming out of Somerville Lodge, he's obviously a nice type and I loved the way he did it," said winning rider Harry Davies. "He was very professional, he picked up nicely and it was important he learned to gallop with his head down today. I was concerned when he was on his own in front, but he put it to bed pretty quickly and I only had to show him the pro-cushion [whip]. He hasn't overly exerted himself and I'd expect him to improve, for sure."

Majestic Jude is the ninth of 10 foals and fifth scorer produced by a winning daughter of stakes-winning G2 Ribblesdale third Marani (Ashkalani), herself out of Listed Cheshire Oaks victrix Aquamarine (Shardari).

He is a half-brother to G2 Prix Robert Papin and G3 Prix du Bois hero Atomic Force (Cotai Glory) and a weanling filly by Mill Stream. Sales history: 75,000gns Ylg '25 TATOCT; 160,000gns 2yo '26 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $9,133.
O-East 11 Ltd & Partner; B-David Barry; T-William Haggas.

5th-Salisbury, £12,000, Novice, 8-21, 3yo/up, 9f 201yT, 2:13.56, gd.
BINTWARD (GB) (f, 3, Night Of Thunder {Ire}--Encapsulation {Ire} {SW-Eng, SP-Ire}, by Zoffany {Ire}), handed an easy task after her debut win at Wolverhampton last month, enjoyed a lead until taking command approaching the two pole. Sent clear from there, the 1-18 shot drew away to record a bloodless 19-length success.

The winner is the second foal out of the Listed-winning dam, whose first was the Cheshire Oaks third Caspi Star (Camelot). A relative of the Australian Group 3 winner Al Galayel (Zoffany), her unraced two-year-old colt Cauld (New Bay) was a 200,000gns purchase by Stroud Coleman Bloodstock at Tattersalls October Book 2. Sales history: €780,000 Ylg '24 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $16,052.
O-Salhia Stud Limited; B-Highview Bloodstock Ltd; T-Roger Varian.

6th-York, £100,000, Mdn, 8-21, 2yo, 7fT, 1:28.89, g/s. **BENJAMIN HORNIGOLD (GB) (c, 2, Blackbeard {Ire}--Greta {Fr}, by High Chaparral {Ire})**, sent off at 16-1 for this valuable Convivial Maiden Stakes, raced in rear throughout the early stages. Staying on to take command a furlong from home, the newcomer asserted to score by two lengths from Dover Street (Persian Force). **Cont. p14**

6th-York Cont.

"He's a lovely big horse and Joseph thought he was a nice type of horse, but it was his first day at school and it was important for him to do everything right," jockey Colin Keane said. "There was a bit of pace on early doors, I let him come out by himself and he relaxed straight away into the bridle, cruised through the race and quickened nicely."

"He feels like a horse who will go another furlong no problem," he added. "He has a big, rangy action and got through that slow ground well but he's a good-moving horse and I couldn't see why he wouldn't appreciate nicer ground either. Joseph's horses can take a massive step forwards from run to run and today was just about giving him a good education and doing things right and he did that well."

The 13th winner for his first-season sire, Benjamin Hornigold is out of a half to the Gold Cup hero Colour Vision (Rainbow Quest) and to the dam of the Australasian Oaks heroine Glint Of Hope (Deep Impact). Her filly foal is by Saxon Warrior. Sales history: €30,000 Ylg '25 BBAGS; €50,000 2yo '26 TATBRU. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $70,253.
O-Go Racing Ltd; B-Capricorn SA; T-Joseph O'Brien.

1st-Hamilton, £13,500, Mdn, 8-21, 2yo, 8f 68yT, 1:48.41, g/s. **PIKACHU (GB) (c, 2, Frankel {GB}--Bocca Baciata {Ire} {MGSW & G1SP-Ire}, by Big Bad Bob {Ire})**, a 450,000gns October Book 1 yearling who ran third in the G2 Superlative and fourth in the G2 Vintage last month, broke on the lead and dominated his two rivals throughout. Tanking clear before halfway, the 1-25 lock was never in any danger and coasted to the line in the closing stages to easily defeat Trumpety Trump (Churchill) by a facile one dozen lengths.

"He usually gets warm, so I wasn't too concerned about him sweating beforehand," said David Egan of the G1 Golden Fleece entry. "He did it nicely, he's a horse that really gallops and stays well for a two-year-old. He's been on the go for a while and Charlie [Johnston] has said he wants to have one roll of the dice in one big race at the end of the year. Ireland could be the place for him and something like the new [Group 1] race over one mile and one furlong [Golden Fleece Stakes]."

Pikachu is the sixth of eight foals and fourth scorer out of the dual Group-winning G1 Pretty Polly runner-up Bocca Baciata (Big Bad Bob), herself a half-sister to Group 3-winning G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches third Topeka (Whipper) and G3 Prix Edmond Blanc victrix Kalsa (Whipper). The winner is full to a yearling filly and kin to G3 Hoppings Fillies' Stakes winner Botagoz (Mehmas), Listed Navigation Stakes victrix Foniska (Galileo) and a weanling filly by Lucky Vega. Sales history: 450,000gns Ylg '25 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 5-1-1-1, $52,858.
O-Amo Racing Ltd; B-Yu Long Investments; T-Charlie Johnston.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

5th-York, £120,000, Hcp, 8-21, 3yo/up, 11f 188yT, 2:35.05, g/s. **PLAGE DE HAVRE (GB) (g, 5, Le Havre {Ire}--Borja {Ire}, by Lope De Vega {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-2, $240,701. O-Saeed Suhail; B-Whatton Manor Stud; T-Andrew Balding. *45,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. **1/2 to Batz (GB) (Bated Breath {GB}), GSP-Fr.

4th-Hamilton, £103,000, 8-21, 3yo/up, 12f 15yT, 2:35.70, g/s. **EVANESCO (GB) (c, 3, Too Darn Hot {GB}--Golden Gazelle {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-1, $154,103. O-Amo Racing Limited; B-Ammerland Verwaltung GmbH & Co KG; T-Charlie Johnston. *€70,000 Ylg '24 ARAUG.

1st-York, £100,000, Hcp, 8-21, 3yo, 7f 192yT, 1:39.39, g/s. **BLUE COURVOISIER (GB) (c, 3, Sea The Stars {Ire}--Priceless {GB} {GSW-Eng}, by Exceed And Excel {Aus})** Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, $168,181. O-A D Spence & I Madueke; B-Alan Spence & Sunderland Holdings; T-Clive Cox. *100,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. **1/2 to Risk Threshold (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), SP-US.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Fillipas (Ire), f, 2, **Coulsty (Ire)**--Alliseeisnibras (Ire), by Slade Power (Ire). Salisbury, 8-21, 6fT, 1:17.17. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $10,023. B-Rathasker Stud. *£56,000 Ylg '25 GOFFUK.

Korbut (GB), f, 3, **Study Of Man (Ire)**--Frolova (GB), by Dutch Art (GB). Ffos Las, 8-21, 7f 80yT, 1:31.24. Lifetime Record: 8-1-5-0, $24,162. B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd. *9,000gns RNA Wlg '23 TATDEC.

IRELAND

Friday's Results:

VINCENT O'BRIEN RUBY STAKES-Listed, €57,500, Killarney, 8-21, 3yo/up, 8f 30yT, 1:40.72, gd.

1--**JAGGED EDGE (IRE), 135, g, 4, Blue Point (Ire)--Jaega (Ire) (GSP-Ire), by Fastnet Rock (Aus)**. **1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN**. (125,000gns HRA '25 TATAHI). O-Shamrock Thoroughbreds; B-Newtownanner Stud Farm; T-Stephen Thorne; J-Jack Kearney. €30,000. Lifetime Record: 10-4-0-2, $142,440.

2--**Carolina Jetstream (GB)**, 130, f, 4, Pinatubo (Ire)--Queen Of The Stars (GB), by Sea The Stars (Ire). (110,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT). O-Amo Racing Limited & Giselle De Aguiar; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited; T-Robson De Aguiar. €10,000.

3--**Hardy Warrior (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, Pinatubo (Ire)--Hazel Bay (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). (€68,000 Wlg '23 GOFNOF). O-Millennium Stud Sp. ZOO; B-Moyglare Stud Farm; T-Joseph O'Brien. €5,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 3.50, 3.00, 1.38.
Also Ran: Moonlit Sun (Ire), Quebec (Ger), East Hampton (GB), Wearing Stars (Ire), Rion Rubette (GB), Syzygy (GB), Subsonic (Ire). Scratched: Cristal Clere.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

5th-Killarney, €50,000, 8-21, 3yo/up, 14f 80yT, 3:08.69, gd.
GAOTH CHUIL (IRE) (m, 8, Harzand {Ire}--Elyaadi {GB}, by Singspiel {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 35-7-9-4, $177,676. O/B-M Ryan; T-Ted Walsh.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Killarney, €20,000, 8-21, 3yo, 8f 30yT, 1:47.89, gd.
MANTON BAY (IRE) (c, 3, Ulysses {Ire}--Synergy {Fr} {Champion 3-year-old Filly-Spa, Champion Grass Mare-Spa, GSW-Fr, GSP-UAE}, by Victory Note) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, $48,097. O-MRC International; B-Mr Canice Farrell; T-David Marnane. *€20,000 Ylg '24 GOFORY.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

7th-Clairefontaine, €25,600, Cond, 8-21, 3yo, 7fT, 1:27.60, vsf.
NO TURNING BACK (FR) (f, 3, Kendargent {Fr}--Glittering Crystal {Fr}, by Wootton Bassett {GB}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €31,274. O-SCEA Haras des Forets; B-Elevage de Tourgeville & Mme Hilary Erculiani; T-Nicolas Caullery. *€67,000 Ylg '24 ARQAUG.

2nd-Clairefontaine, €24,700, Cond, 8-21, 4yo/up, 9fT, 1:53.30, vsf.
GRECIAN COMET (FR) (f, 4, Make Believe {GB}--Chrysale {GB}, by High Chaparral {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 14-5-0-1, €85,885. O-Ecurie Nicolato & Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-SCEA Marmion Vauville & Mme Catherine Kairis; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Whiskey Bent (Fr), c, 2, **Hello Youmzain (Fr)**--Answer Me (Fr), by Iffraaj (GB). Clairefontaine, 8-21, 7fT, 1:29.60. B-Ecurie Melanie & Mme Aurelie Fernandes Thireau. *€50,000 Ylg '25 ARQOCT; 32,500gns 2yo '26 TATBRE.

Marasi Drive (Fr), g, 3, **Hello Youmzain (Fr)**--Elusive Lily (GB), by Elusive City. Clairefontaine, 8-21, 8fT, 1:44.20. B-Mariol Racing. *€2,000 Ylg '24 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Kilfrush Memories (Fr) (Shakespearean {Ire}), GSP-Fr.

Daliasir (Ire), g, 3, **Sea The Moon (Ger)**--Dalma (Fr), by Dubawi (Ire). Clairefontaine, 8-21, 12fT, 2:38.20. B-Aga Khan Studs.

Sur La Lune (Fr), f, 3, **Sea The Moon (Ger)**--Allons Y (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Soldier Of Fortune (Ire). Clairefontaine, 8-21, 12fT, 2:39.30. B-Jean-Claude Seroul. *1/2 to Wootton Zi (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), SP-Fr.

Deseronto (Fr), f, 3, **Toronado (Ire)**--Sosquaw (Fr), by Numerous. Montignac, 8-20, 13fT, 2:58.04. B-Elevage de Tourgeville, Mme Hilary Erculiani & Mme Pierre Lepeudry. *€23,000 Ylg '24 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Kimi Orenda (Fr) (Bated Breath {GB}), SW-Ger.

Yohio (Fr), c, 3, **Yafta (GB)**--Vatohio (Fr), by Vatori (Fr). Montignac, 8-20, 10 1/2fT, 2:12.05. B-SCEA Ecurie Bader.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

KA YING RISING TURNS IN BRILLIANT BARRIER TRIAL AHEAD OF HK SEASON



Ka Ying Rising | *HKJC*

Hong Kong's reigning Horse of the Year **Ka Ying Rising** (Shamexpress) was in fine fettle during a Friday morning barrier trial at Sha Tin (video). He is aiming for his 21st consecutive win.

The gelding is set to appear on opening day of the new Hong Kong 2026/27 season in the newly upgraded HK$4.2 million (£400,000) G3 HKSAR Chief Executive's Cup Handicap over 1200 metres. He will then travel Down Under to defend his G1 The Everest crown on October 17.

Ka Ying Rising has already won the now-Group 3 contest twice, in 2024 and 2025, when it was a Class 1 affair. During Friday's trial, Ka Ying Rising romped by 9 3/4 lengths in 1:01.16 over 1050 metres on the rain-affected dirt. Thunder Prince (I Am Invincible) was second.

Said Purton, "He put on a bit of weight in the break. He got up over 1,190 pounds, so he's certainly enjoying his life. He'll only get one run on the opening day here, and then he goes to The Everest."

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TDN EUROPE/INTERNATIONAL BLACK-TYPE ENTRIES

Saturday, York, post time: 15:00

THE SKY BET CITY OF YORK STAKES-G1, £600,000, 3yo/up, 7fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Lake Forest (GB)	No Nay Never	Tony Bloom & Ian McAleavy	William Haggas	Cieren Fallon	134
2	Marvelman (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Bond Thoroughbred Limited	Andrew Balding	P. J. McDonald	134
3	Native Warrior (GB)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Wathnan Racing	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	134
4	Notable Speech (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Godolphin	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	134
5	Paborus (GB)	Recoletos (Fr)	Wathnan Racing	Edward Bethell	James Doyle	134
6	Powerful Glory (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum	Richard & Peter Fahey	Jamie Spencer	134
7	Rogue Diplomat (Ire)	Calyx (GB)	The Rogues Gallery	James Owen	Harry Davies	134
8	Satono Reve (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Mr Hajime Satomi	Noriyuki Hori	Joao Moreira	134
9	Ten Bob Tony (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	TBT Racing	Ed Walker	Kieran Shoemark	134
10	Flora Of Bermuda (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	131
11	Lifeplan (Ire)	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Martin Tedham & Wasdell Properties Ltd.	Declan Carroll	Zak Wheatley	129
12	Power Blue (Ire)	Space Blues (Ire)	Amo Racing Limited	Robson De Aguiar	David Egan	129
13	Puerto Rico (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Mrs John Magnier,Mr M.Tabor & Mr D.Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	129
14	Zavateri (Ire)	Without Parole (GB)	Mick and Janice Mariscotti	Eve Johnson Houghton	Charles Bishop	129

Breeders: 1-Sahara Group Holdings, 2-Gigginstown House Stud, 3-Branton Court Stud LLP, 4-Godolphin, 5-Culworth Grounds Farm, 6-C. Marnane, 7-Mrs Noreen McManus, 8-Shirai Stud Farm, 9-Knocktoran Stud, 10-Mr Francisco Bernal, 11-Miss Joann Lyons, 12-Finanza Locale Consulting, 13-April Showers Syndicate, 14-John D. Gunther & TTR Bloodstock.

A fascinating contest complicated by the wet spell that has hit York this week and which might compromise Godolphin's flagbearer **Notable Speech**. His only encounter with true soft ground resulted in a disappointing fifth in the 2024 Prix du Moulin de Longchamp, so Charlie Appleby will be hoping it dries as much as possible. Underfoot conditions are also an unknown for the Lennox winner **Lake Forest**, but are unlikely to be a problem for **Ten Bob Tony** who proved his Queen Anne success was no fluke in the Sussex last time. **Zavateri** was a real eye-catcher in that Goodwood feature, proving he has lost none of his two-year-old potency, and this is probably his ideal trip. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, Curragh, post time: 14:50

ALPHA CENTAURI DEBUTANTE STAKES-G2, €78,000, 2yo, f, 7fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Alpha (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd & Mrs John Magnier & M	A P O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	128
2	Blonde Over Blue (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Oxley/O'Connor/Ballyhimikin	Joseph O'Brien	Chris Hayes	128
3	Dancing Destiny (Ire)	Magna Grecia (Ire)	Fishdance Limited	Joseph O'Brien	Declan McDonogh	128
4	Green Empress (Ire)	Saxon Warrior (Jpn)	The Thoroughbred Racing Corporation Ltd	Joseph O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	128
5	Ibelieveicanfly	Frankel (GB)	Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith & Mrs John Magnier &	A P O'Brien	Ronan Whelan	128

Breeders: 1-Coolmore & Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd, 2-Michael E Wates CBE, 3-Fishdance, 4-Sunderland Holding INC, 5-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt & Flaxman Holdings, Ltd.

All eyes on **Alpha**, whose thunder has been stolen by her sensational stablemate Sun Goddess over the past fortnight but who remains as exciting a Classic prospect as there is in 2026. Back over the course and distance of her emphatic maiden win in June, she probably won't want the ground to deteriorate as that put paid to her excellent dam's chances in the Moyglare here in 2017. If it does, the Silver Flash runner-up **Dancing Destiny** could get close again, while **Ibelieveicanfly** has obviously stepped forward markedly since trailing in Alpha's wake in that maiden. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, Curragh, post time: 15:25

COOLMORE STUD CITY OF TROY TOM COOPER IRISH EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND FUTURITY STAKES-G2, €78,000, 2yo, 7fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	City Of Dubai (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Bond Thoroughbred Limited	P Twomey	Billy Lee	131
2	Florida Bay (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Magnier,Tabor,Smith,Westerberg,Brant	A P O'Brien	Ronan Whelan	131
3	Giant Sequoia	Frankel (GB)	Resolute Racing, Coolmore, Westerberg	A P O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	131
4	Green Dreamer (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Declan McDonogh	131
5	Nail House (Ire)	No Nay Never	Tropical Racing	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	131
6	Nola Soul	Justify	Craig Bernick	J A Stack	Seamie Heffernan	131

Breeders: 1-John Connaughton, 2-Kennedy,Wall & Nwc Bloodstock, 3-Resolute Bloodstock LLC, 4-Kilfeacle Stud, 5-Lynn Lodge Stud, 6-John D. Gunther.

Aidan O'Brien has won this 18 times and the course-and-distance Barronstown Stud Maiden winner **Giant Sequoia** is the first string on jockey bookings, but he has the Chesham winner **Nola Soul** to deal with and Fozzy Stack's runner looks a solid proposition at present. Ballydoyle's Tyros winner **Florida Bay** could be here to cut out the running, which could end up aiding Nola Soul in turn. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, York, post time: 13:50

THE SKY BET STRENSALL STAKES-G3, £175,000, 3yo/up, 8f 177yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Damysus (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Wathnan Racing	John & Thady Gosden	James Doyle	136
2	Archivist (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Hamad Al Jehani	Callum Rodriguez	133
3	Dividend (GB)	Kodiac (GB)	Chris Stedman	Dr Richard Newland	Rossa Ryan	133
4	Expanded (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Coolmore/Westerberg/Mrs A. M. O'Brien	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	133
5	Jonquil (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Juddmonte	Andrew Balding	Colin Keane	133
6	Naqeeb (Ire)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Mr N. O'Keeffe	Julie Camacho	Ryan Sexton	133
7	Persica (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Martin Hughes & Michael Kerr-Dineen	Richard Hannon	Sean Levey	133
8	Point Lynas (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Julie and David R Martin and Dan Hall	Edward Bethell	Jamie Spencer	133
9	Ridari (Fr)	Churchill (Ire)	Amo Racing Limited	George Scott	David Egan	133
10	Geryon (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm	G. M. Lyons	G. F. Carroll	129
11	Hankelow (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Exors of the Late Sheikh Mohammed Obaid	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	126
12	King Of Earth (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Mr Ali Abdulla Saeed	William Haggas	Cieren Fallon	126
13	Saber Strike (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Victorious Forever	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	126

Breeders: 1-Newsells Park Stud & Merry Fox Stud, 2-Cheveley Park Stud Limited, 3-Mr G. S. Bishop, 4-Whisperview Trading Ltd, 5-Juddmonte Farms (East) Ltd, 6-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd, 7-The Applecross Syndicate, 8-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd, 9-Aga Khan Studs, 10-Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd, 11-George Kent, 12-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 13-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd.

After Item's win in the Juddmonte International, **Damysus's** form in the York Stakes looks a lot better and provided he handles this slower ground is the one to beat. Goodwood's Golden Mile Handicap winner **Archivist** is improving, but meets genuine Group performers and may be in too deep, while the Poule d'Essai des Poulains third **Hankelow** is back over a trip and surface that will suit ideally. [*Tom Frary*].



Saturday, Curragh, post time: 16:35

COMER GROUP INTERNATIONAL IRISH ST LEGER TRIAL STAKES-G3, €42,000, 3yo/up, 14fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Carmers (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Ms Fiona Carmichael	P Twomey	Billy Lee	135
2	Dallas Star (Fr)	Cloth Of Stars (Ire)	Amo Racing Limited	Robson De Aguiar	Seamie Heffernan	135
3	Kizlyar (Ire)	Make Believe (GB)	H O S Syndicate	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	135
4	Layfayette (Ire)	French Navy (GB)	Mrs Patricia Hunt	Noel Meade	Adam Caffrey	135
5	Leinster (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Al Shira'aa Racing	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Declan McDonogh	135
6	Queenstown (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Mrs J Magnier,M Tabor,D Smith,Westerberg	A P O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	135
7	Asakir (Ire)	Zarak (Fr)	Exors of the Late H H Aga Khan	John Patrick Murtagh	Ben Coen	126

Breeders: 1-Westward Bloodstock Ltd, 2-MME E. Dieuaide & Domaine Billard Pere Et Fils, 3-His Highness The Aga Khan's Studs S.C., 4-Matthew Duffy, 5-Al Shira'aa Farms S.A.R.L., 6-Coolmore, 7-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S.C.

Kizlyar looked a real improver over staying trips when taking the Royal meeting's Ascot Stakes when last seen and will be popular to bridge the gap to Pattern company. Sixth in the Gold Cup, **Carmers** is the obvious danger while **Asakir** comes back after a break having disappointed in the Queen's Vase. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, York, post time: 16:45

THE JULIA GRAVES ROSES STAKES-Listed, £100,000, 2yo, 5fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Adonius (Ire)	Soldier's Call (GB)	Michael Hughes & Riverdee & West Paces	Rebecca Menzies	Kaiya Fraser	128
2	Dance A Jig (GB)	Naval Crown (GB)	Mr J. C. Smith	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	128
3	Dorigo (Ire)	Space Blues (Ire)	Mrs J. Ryan	Kevin Ryan	Kevin Stott	128
4	Dubai Champion (Ire)	Persian Force (Ire)	Future Champions Racing Syn & MPS Racing	Ben Haslam	Ryan Moore	128
5	El Floridita (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Mr K. Dole	Nigel Tinkler	Tom Marquand	128
6	Hanney Boy (Ire)	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Miss A. Jones	Miss Evanna McCutcheon	Liam Keniry	128
7	Hickory Lad (Ire)	James Garfield (Ire)	Mr J Toes & Mr J O'Loan	Phillip Makin	Sam James	128
8	Jaan Ki Tukri (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Mr Arjun Waney	Clive Cox	Kieran Shoemark	128
9	Sale Shark (Ire)	Bayside Boy (Ire)	Orange & Owen	Hugo Palmer	Oisin Murphy	128
10	Undercover Affair (Ire)	Havana Grey (GB)	Mr P. D. Evans	David Evans	Saffie Osborne	128
11	Roots In Touche (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Mr Garry Wilkie Wilson & Andy Finneran	Adrian Keatley	M. P. Sheehy	123
12	Silesia (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Mrs Angie Bailey	Kevin Ryan	Shane Gray	123

Breeders: 1-Thomas Hassett, 2-Littleton Stud, 3-Barouche Stud Ireland Ltd, 4-Middlelane Farm, 5-Whitsbury Manor Stud, 6-Rathbarry Stud, 7-Rathbarry Stud, 8-Funcheon Bloodstock Ltd, 9-Ballylinch Stud, 10-Tally-Ho Stud, 11-Rathbride Farm, 12-The Moravia Partnership.

Second in the Molecomb, **Adonius** sets the standard and is one who has already shown a liking for slow ground when recording his impressive debut win. **Dance A Jig** comes off a confidence booster at Haydock and is bred to progress with racing, while Ryan Moore sticks with **Dubai Champion** having gone so close on him in a competitive nursery at the Qatar Goodwood Festival. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, Deauville, France, post time: 14:31

CRITERIUM DU FONDS EUROPEEN DE L'ELEVAGE-Listed, €130,000, 2yo, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	5	Majnoun (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Graffard	Barzalona	126
2	2	Rosberg (GB)	Palace Pier (GB)	Burke	Jamin	126
3	1	Quinte Flush Aas (Ire)	Golden Pal	Bellemere	Madamet	126
4	3	Big Money Man (Ire)	No Nay Never	C Head	Guyon	126
5	4	Jaminus (GB)	Australia (GB)	Plisson	Protti	126

Bond Thoroughbred's **Big Money Man** had subsequent G3 Prix Francois Boutin placegetter Zakkan in arrears when scorching to a five-length maiden triumph at Compiegne last month and is the one to beat here, with the similarly one-from-two **Rosberg** and **Majnoun** heading postward as his chief dangers. The quintet also includes the two-race maiden **Quinte Flush Aas**, while **Jaminus** remains winless after nine starts and hadn't placed until finishing third at Le Lion d'Angers earlier this week. [*Sean Cronin*].

Sunday, Deauville, France, post time: 16:25

SUMBE PRIX JEAN ET LOUIS ROMANET-G1, €400,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	7	Cankoura (Fr)	Persian King (Ire)	Graffard	Barzalona	130
2	6	Red Letter (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Lyons	Keane	130
3	8	Qilin Queen (Ire)	Pinatubo (Ire)	Walker	Shoemark	130
4	1	Aventure (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Ferland	Guyon	130
5	3	Pink Panthera (Fr)	Chachnak (Fr)	Cottier	Boudot	123
6	5	Timeforshowcasing (GB)	Showcasing (GB)	Johnston	Mitchell	123
7	9	Rebel Moon (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	J O'Brien	McMonagle	123
8	4	Beautify (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	A O'Brien	Whelan	123
9	10	Pierchic (GB)	Palace Pier (GB)	Pantall	Demuro	123
10	11	Moments Of Joy	Justify	A O'Brien	Lordan	123
11	2	Diamond Necklace (Ire)	St Mark's Basilica (Fr)	A O'Brien	R Moore	123

Diamond Necklace, one of three Ballydoyle nominees, will be a warm order to maintain her undefeated record and secure a fifth straight Group 1 success. The Irish challenge also includes G1 Pretty Polly third **Red Letter** and G1 Irish Oaks fourth **Rebel Moon**, while the British duo is headed by G1 Grosser Dallmayr-Preis runner-up and G2 German 1000 Guineas victrix **Timeforshowcasing**. The home defence features last year's G1 Prix Vermeille winner and 2024 Arc second **Aventure**, June's G1 Prix de Diane second **Pink Panthera** and the dual Group/Grade 1-placed **Cankoura**, who was seventh in this last year. [*Sean Cronin*].

Sunday, Deauville, France, post time: 15:50

SUMBE PRIX MORNY-G1, €350,000, 2yo, c/f, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	1	Tribeca (Ire)	Blue Point (Ire)	De Aguiar	Boudot	126
2	4	Orthodox (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Cox	R Ryan	126
3	5	Carry The Flag (Ire)	No Nay Never	A O'Brien	Whelan	126
4	6	Great Barrier Reef (Ire)	No Nay Never	A O'Brien	Lordan	126
5	2	Man's Best Friend (Ire)	No Nay Never	A O'Brien	R Moore	126
6	8	Drazinda (Fr)	Sioux Nation	Graffard	Barzalona	122
7	3	Senorita Bonita (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	S & E Crisford	O Murphy	122
8	7	Kosuma (Fr)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	A & L Fabre	Guyon	122

Bidding for a sixth edition, Aidan O'Brien presents a powerful three-strong challenge in a contest the maestro has won with Coolmore sires Orpen, Fasliyev, Johannesburg and Blackbeard. He relies on the undefeated G2 Coventry winner **Great Barrier Reef**, G2 Richmond victor **Man's Best Friend** and G1 Phoenix Stakes fourth **Carry The Flag**. Dangers include G2 Norfolk hero **Orthodox**, G2 Duchess Of Cambridge victrix **Senorita Bonita** and three-for-three G3 Prix de Cabourg winner **Kosuma**, while Amo Racing's G2 Railway Stakes runner-up and G1 Phoenix Stakes fifth **Tribeca** and the Listed winner **Drazinda** are also worthy of their place. [*Sean Cronin*].

Sunday, Deauville, France, post time: 14:33

SUMBE PRIX KERGORLAY-G2, €164,700, 3yo/up, 15fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	3	Goya Senora (Fr)	Anodin (Ire)	Barberot	Lecoeuvre	130
2	5	Defiantly (Fr)	Kameko	J O'Brien	McMonagle	130
3	4	Barbate (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Barberot	Madamet	130
4	1	Double Major (Ire)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Ferland	Guyon	130
5	6	Santorini Star (Ire)	Golden Horn (GB)	Haggas	Marquand	129
6	2	Aeronef (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	A & L Fabre	Barzalona	120

Dual G1 Prix Royal-Oak hero **Double Major** beat veteran 2022 winner **Goya Senora** into second place in the 2024 and 2025 editions of this marathon, albeit with a significantly reduced margin of superiority last year, and evades a Group 1 penalty in this hat-trick attempt. Younger threats include the dual Group 1-placed dual Group 2 winner **Santorini Star** and impressive Goodwood handicap winner **Defiantly**, who hails from the red hot Joseph O'Brien barn, **Aeronef** is the lone sophomore on display and **Barbate** seeks a fifth win of the campaign. [*Sean Cronin*].

Sunday, Deauville, France, post time: 13:58

SUMBE PRIX DU CALVADOS-G2, €119,300, 2yo, f, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	6	Le Bon Temps Roule (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Graffard	Barzalona	123
2	3	Hinata Grey (Ire)	Blue Point (Ire)	V Head	Demuro	123
3	1	Woot Woot (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	C Head	Soumillon	123
4	5	Dee's Funny Girl (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	D O'Brien	R Moore	123
5	4	Divina Fe (Ire)	Calyx (GB)	A Botti	Boudot	123
6	2	Yuquot (Fr)	Kingman (GB)	E Monfort	Guyon	123

Former Michael Keady trainee **Dee's Funny Girl** finished under six lengths adrift of this week's G2 Lowther heroine Libertango in Royal Ascot's G3 Albany and arrives here off a narrow defeat in last month's G3 Princess Margaret. This open renewal also features G3 Prix Six Perfections third **Woot Woot** and Craig Bernick's **Le Bon Temps Roule**, who is out again quickly after shedding maiden status over six furlongs here last week. **Yuquot** was adrift of Woot Woot in July's Six Perfections, but in front of **Hinata Grey** in June's G3 Prix du Bois, while **Divina Fe** heads postward as a two-race maiden. [*Sean Cronin*].

Sunday, Naas, post time: 16:00

TALLY-HO STUD IRISH EBF BALLYOGAN STAKES-G3, €60,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f 205yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Chantez (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd	G M Lyons	Gary Carroll	133
2	First Instinct (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Dunchurch Lodge Stud Company	W J Haggas	Cieren Fallon	133
3	Temperance (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Thomas Hore	Miss Kate McGivern	Chris Hayes	133
4	Treasure Rose (Ire)	Inns Of Court (Ire)	Anthony Paul Smurfit	John Patrick Murtagh	Ben Coen	133
5	Dancing Saxon (Ire)	Saxon Warrior (Jpn)	Fishdance Limited	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Declan McDonogh	130
6	Focaccia (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	J A Stack	J A Stack	Seamie Heffernan	130
7	Havana Anna (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Gaynor Bloodstock LLC	Donnacha Aidan O'Brien	Gavin Ryan	130
8	Soul Love (GB)	Starman (GB)	David Ward	K R Burke	Pierre-Louis Jamin	130

Breeders: 1-B. V. Sangster, 2-Dunchurch Lodge Stud Company, 3-Mrs Louise Quinn, 4-Kelly Equine Services, 5-Fishdance, 6-Epona Bloodstock Ltd, 7-Dukes Stud & Overbury Stallions Ltd, 8-Northern Star Bloodstock Ltd.

Unbeaten here, **Havana Anna** holds all the aces with the Lacken Stakes already in the bag. **Soul Love** also has a 100% record at the track, albeit from one outing when capturing the Yeomanstown Stud Irish EBF Stakes at the expense of the subsequent Galway winner **Dancing Saxon**. Runner-up in the Summer Stakes last time, **First Instinct** is also in the mix. [*Tom Frary*]. **All posts displayed in local time.*