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BREEDING DIGEST: VALOR GOES TO WAR FOR SIRE-LINE



U. S. S. Valor | *Sarah Andrew*

by Chris McGrath

Seldom can so accomplished a stallion have bowed out so quietly. I'm afraid we were as culpable as anyone, at *TDN*, relegating news of his retirement in July to half-a-dozen paragraphs on Page 10. It was Haskell day, and three members of Flightline's debut crop were appearing at Saratoga. It's in the nature of this business, after all, to keep looking forward.

It wasn't simply that he was 24, duly exposed to the self-fulfilling prejudice against ageing sires. There were also factors peculiar to his own case, Claiborne having over the years established that he functioned most effectively on a relatively light book.

He had maintained a lucrative equilibrium between supply and demand at a peak fee of $250,000 between 2017 and 2020, before beginning to slide. His last published book, 68 mares, was covered at just $75,000. And this spring, he was listed as "private." The Venn diagram of those keeping the faith, and those with mares befitting his attention, was presumably concentrated in breed-to-race programs. In commercial terms, however, the horse who topped the Keeneland September averages in 2015 and 2018 has had a smaller presence in recent years.

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GRADE I WINNER BAEZA RETIRED TO SPENDTHRIFT FARM

Baeza (McKinzie--Puca, by Big Brown), winner of the 2025 GI Pennsylvania Derby, has been retired from racing and will enter stud at Spendthrift Farm in 2027.

Campaigned by Lee and Susan Searing's C R K Stable and his breeder Robert Clay's Grandview Equine, Baeza hit the board in 10 of 13 starts and retires with earnings of $2,344,700.

In addition to his 2 1/4-length win over Magnitude in the Pennsylvania Derby, which earned him a 105 Beyer Speed Figure, Baeza hit the board in five other Grade I events, with runner-up efforts as a sophomore in the GI Santa Anita Derby and third-place efforts in the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Belmont Stakes.

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Into Mischief | $250,000

Jackie's Warrior | $25,000

Jimmy Creed | $7,500

Kingsbarns | $17,500

Maximus Mischief | $20,000

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TDN Trivia: Name That Racetrack. *This edition of TDN Trivia comes from the lens of guest photographer Walter Wlodarczyk. What one racetrack is represented in all four of these photos? Email your guess to tbrednews@aol.com and If you're the first person to respond with the correct answer, you get: 1) Bragging rights 2) Your name published in Thursday's edition of the Thoroughbred Daily News.* | *Walter Wlodarczyk*

10 | GIRVIN FILLY HEADS DAY 1 OF OBS OCTOBER YEARLING SALE

A filly by the late sire Girvin was the topper after the first day of the OBS October Yearling Sale. Our Christina Bossinakis has the complete rundown.



McGrath On Valor, cont. from p1

Just a handful of his yearlings have gone through the ring this year, following 20 sold in 2025 for a median of $87,500.

So his stud career ended much as it had begun. In 2010, his fourth season, Claiborne could barely give him away at $10,000. But his ratios in the meantime are almost a throwback to another era: stakes winners at 14% of starters, stakes horses at nearly one-in-four. If his success in Europe doubtless dismayed parochial commercial breeders in Kentucky, no less a judge than John Magnier identified him as one of the most dynamic influences on the modern breed.



War Front | *courtesy Claiborne*

How gratifying, then, that War Front's legacy should prove central to a huge weekend coast-to-coast. The sensational performance of U.S.S. Valor in the GI Champagne Stakes renews the fading eligibility of War of Will among his male heirs; while American History (Constitution) in the GI Breeders' Futurity represented an overdue boost in his profile as a broodmare sire.

The supporting cast, meanwhile, included two grandsons: Joe Shiesty (Air Force Blue) in the GII Woodford Stakes, and Egyptian Mau (SAf) (Fire Away) in the GIII Belmont Turf Sprint; while GII Nearctic Stakes winner Victory Achieved (Street Sense) is out of one of his daughters. Nor is War Front yet wholly reduced to the second generation, with his 2-year-old son Good to Be King landing the GIII Futurity at Belmont.

Top billing obviously goes to U.S.S. Valor, with his potential to strengthen the sire-line. Whatever he does now, he's already guaranteed demand at stud--notwithstanding the fact that War of Will made such a tepid start that he was reduced to two dozen mares in 2025 and this spring made a fresh start in New York at just $5,000. ***Cont.***

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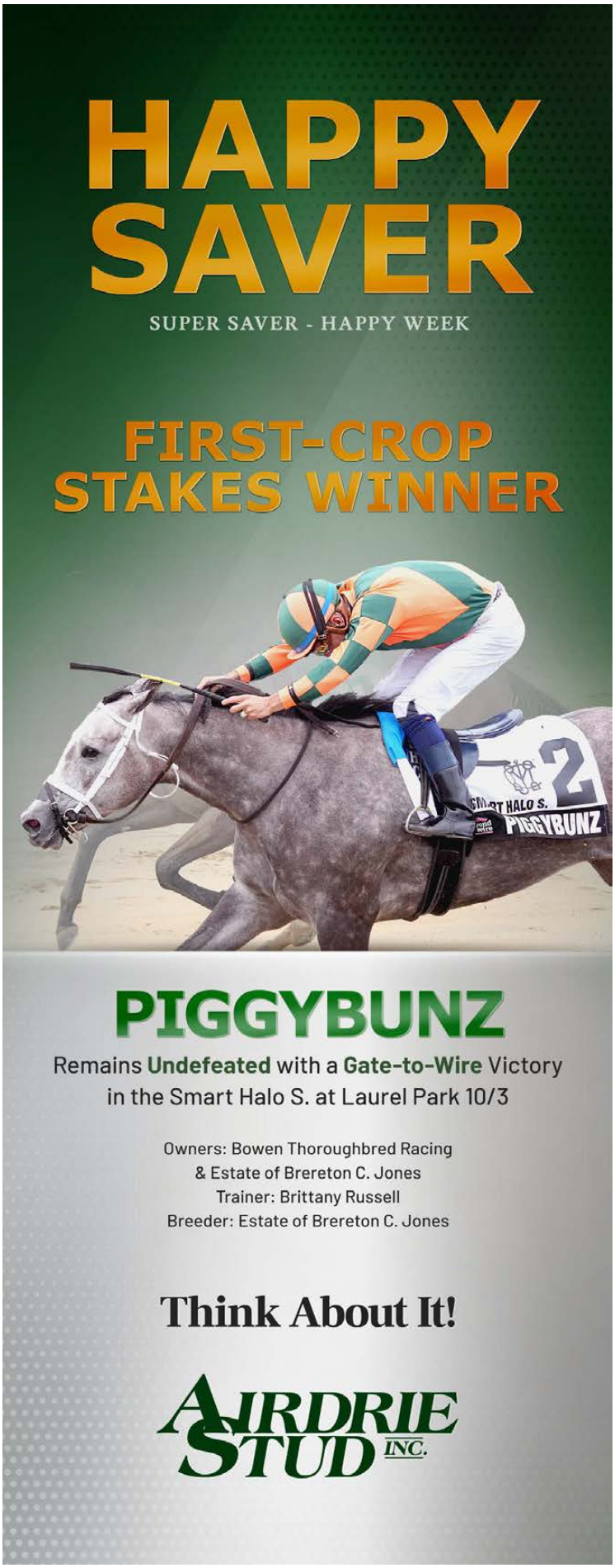

U.S.S. Valor, 2024 equineline

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			Lara's Star
	Vissions of Clarity (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer
			Fairy Bridge
		Imperfect Circle	Riverman
			Aviance (Ire)
Spangled Banner	Tiz Wonderful	Tiznow	Cee's Tizzy
			Cee's Song
		Evil	Hennessy
			Lit'l Rose
	Eastern Ruckus	Eastern Echo	Damascus
			Wild Applause
		Andrea Ruckus	Bold Ruckus
			Do's Melody

Obviously, young stallions are nowadays given little time to prove themselves and U.S.S. Valor belongs to only War of Will's third crop. But this third black-type winner, from 154 starters, represents the first time that War of Will has really ignited the fabulously cosmopolitan genes that underpinned his elite scores on both dirt and turf.

It's very pleasing that U.S.S. Valor results from a breeder backing a third-year stallion, moreover at a farm that doesn't depreciate investors' assets by automatically cutting fees in years two and three. In fairness, I always recommend “bubble” stallions as a token of faith that they will meanwhile establish their merit on the track. In this instance, however, we're instead looking at a mating that has itself proved the agency of an urgent revival.

Barry Irwin bought U.S.S. Valor's dam Spangled Banner (Tiz Wonderful) empty the previous summer, at one of Fasig's very first digital sales, for $225,000. Picked up for just $35,000 at Keeneland the previous November, the 11-year-old was being cashed out immediately after her sophomore son Expressman (Liam's Map) had run a 107 Beyer on debut. She had already changed hands several times, peaking at $375,000 in 2016 after her half-sister produced triple Grade I winner Curalina (Curlin). But while Expressman did later manage third in the GI Carter Handicap, neither he nor War of Will did much more to make an obvious star of the colt delivered by Spangled Banner in February 2024.

Certainly it's hard to imagine that U.S.S. Valor would have made any kind of money, had he been offered at auction. Ahead of his emergence, in fact, his dam was listed as Hip 1912 in the Keeneland November Sale!

Both have gone up in the world now, along with a sire-line that has in Kentucky proved rather more tenuous than hoped. ***Cont.***



Among sons of War Front to have been exported are Declaration of War and Air Force Blue; and while Summer Front and The Factor remain in town, they're trading at $5,000. For now his principal heir appears to be Omaha Beach, whose fee this spring more than doubled to $75,000, albeit I hear only good things about Annapolis, whose pedigree, looks and books give him every chance.

The big question for War Front--and for the last Danzig in the Bluegrass, Hard Spun, with four sons at stud locally--was always whether America could nourish a Danzig line parallel to those proliferating in Europe through Danehill and Green Desert. Chief's Crown and friends had never come close to doing so.

Whether or not he can build on this breakout, War of Will has at least found a tremendously exciting conduit for his aristocratic blood. His dam, as a Sadler's Wells half-sister to Spinning World (Nureyev) from a great Niarchos family, pairs Danzig with the other principal brand of Northern Dancer's transformation of the European Thoroughbred. Not least as a more accomplished runner than his sire, it did seem as though War of Will could hardly miss.

Well, horses are a law unto themselves. And anyone who remembers the sires of U.S.S. Valor's first two dams, Tiz Wonderful and Eastern Echo, will be making no complacent assumptions about his future. These brilliant juveniles have only ever won a battle, not the war. But a new Front has unmistakably been opened.

History Gets to the Point

It was a measure of the way War Front was taking off that Mona de Momma (Speightstown) was included in his 2013 book. Still standing at $15,000 two years previously, he was now up to $80,000 and a worthy partner for a mare recruited by Jon Clay's Alpha Delta Stables for $1.55 million at the 2011 Fasig-Tipton November Sale. Mona de Momma, herself a Grade I winner, was out of a half-sister to Mr. Greeley and also to the granddam of Street Sense.

Tragically, her War Front filly would prove the first of only three foals to reward that investment before Mona de Momma's premature loss. Fortunately Clay retained her as a yearling ($275,000 RNA), and she won three of six starts as Bloody Point. In the meantime, however, her dam's final foal had turned out to be none other than Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}). When he won the GI Blue Grass Stakes, Clay wisely



American History | *Coady Media*

resolved to expedite Bloody Point's breeding career--and she's now going a long way to redressing the tragedy of her dam.

Admittedly, her daughter by Quality Road must have been compromised in some way to make just $25,000 as a yearling. Nonetheless, she placed in a Woodbine stakes on debut, and last month won an allowance at Kentucky Downs. And everything really came together when Bloody Point's Constitution colt last year made $825,000 at Keeneland September.

Now, as American History, he has graduated straight from a 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard,' debut to Grade I success. With a Good Magic colt on the ground, and a cover by Flightline, at 12, Bloody Point is a priceless asset to a stallion-making family.

Constitution's fourth Grade I winner emerges from his first six-figure book, so we can expect him to keep consolidating. He evidently put plenty of Tapit grit into American History's stretch run, but we can be equally confident that Hughes will stretch out his brilliance. By now, we are well familiar with the way Into Mischief has harnessed his upgraded mares to become an authentic Classic influence--and this colt's first three dams are all by 12-furlong Classic winners.

Unleashed Too Late

The abovementioned Joe Shiesty may have contributed to War Front's weekend--but he performed a rather more remarkable service for his dam. ***Cont.***

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Brickyard Belle | *Sarah Andrew*

For his first graded stakes success, at five, came within an hour of his young half-sister Brickyard Belle (Yaupon) following up her 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard,' debut in the GIII Matron Stakes.

Their dam Ready to Unleash (More Than Ready) won a couple of turf sprints at a pedestrian level before beginning her second career with some correspondingly modest covers. Even though her first foal, by Colonel John, had managed second in the GII Shakertown Stakes, she was sold for just $8,000 at the 2023 Keeneland January Sale--a year after Joe Shiesty, as a short yearling, had brought little more ($16,000) in the same ring.

But the mare's purchaser Hall Stables promptly included her in the 202-strong second book of Yaupon, who gave her a filly who cleared $160,000 as a weanling. The latter, having eventually made $600,000 as a 2-year-old, has meanwhile made a dream start as Brickyard Belle.

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With Joe Shiesty putting the icing on the cake, Ready to Unleash's vendors are presumably experiencing seller's remorse. In fairness, she never had much pedigree, she's now 17, and has evidently failed to deliver a foal since Brickyard Belle. But the stakes have certainly been raised for her latest cover--by none other than War Front's main man, Omaha Beach.

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Baeza | *Sarah Andrew*

Baeza Stud Duty, cont. from p1

This term, he was second in the GI Stephen Foster Stakes in June, earning a 112 Beyer, and third in the Sept. 18 GI Jockey Club Gold Cup.

"Baeza gave us so many great moments, but his run in the Kentucky Derby is something we'll never forget," said Lee Searing. "To watch him come charging down the stretch on the biggest stage in our sport was an incredible thrill. He proved that day that he belonged with the very best of his generation, and he continued to show us that throughout his career." ***Cont.***

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"We're incredibly proud of everything he accomplished on the racetrack and we look forward to supporting his stud career with our mares," he added.

A $1.2-million Keeneland September yearling, Baeza is the third Grade I winner out of Broodmare of the Year Puca. He is a half-brother to GI Kentucky Derby winner Mage (Good Magic) and GI Belmont Stakes winner Dornoch (Good Magic).

"Baeza is a rare combination of talent, pedigree, and looks. We are excited to show him to breeders--they are going to love what they see," said Spendthrift COO and General Manager Ned Toffey.

Baeza retires sound and will stand the 2027 season at Spendthrift for $25,000 S&N. He will be available for inspection in the coming weeks.

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Click here for our visit with Kilwin and company, at home at Keeneland | *Sara Gordon*

Keeneland CASE STUDY

KEENELAND CASE STUDY: BREEDERS' CUP-BOUND KILWIN BACK ON HOME TURF

by Katie Petrunyak

BBN Racing has always had good luck with Twirling Candy, but they never could have anticipated that a playful naming convention of pairing the Lane's End stallion's progeny with dessert-themed names would one day forge a partnership in a Breeders' Cup contender.

The ownership group's affinity for Twirling Candy started about 10 years ago with Grade I-winning millionaire Concrete Rose. One of BBN's more recent Twirling Candy acquisitions, Mackinac, was named after Michigan's famous fudge capital. Her breeder, Rick Howard, kept close tabs on the filly as she broke her maiden last summer at Kentucky Downs. A few weeks earlier, Howard had caught BBN in the Saratoga winner's circle with another Rusty Arnold--trained daughter of Twirling Candy. He learned later that GI Test Stakes heroine Kilwin was named after the fudge shop headquartered across the street from his office in Michigan.

When Kilwin entered the ring at the Keeneland November Sale and Howard was presented with the opportunity to partner on the filly, it proved to be sweet serendipity. One year later, Howard is looking forward to sending out his first Breeders' Cup contender when Kilwin makes what will likely be her final career start in the Filly and Mare Sprint.

"The thing about horse racing is that it will teach you patience, even if you're not looking for the lesson," said Howard. "But Rusty has been terrific with Kilwin, doing all the right things and taking our time. It looks like she's coming into her own right now, which is nice."

BBN Racing purchased Kilwin for $225,000 at the 2023 Keeneland September Sale. At the time a half-sister to the graded stakes-winning gelding One Timer (Trappe Shot), Kilwin's pedigree has since been boosted by another graded stakes-winning sibling, Just Basking (Arrogate). This September, the half-sister by Cody's Wish brought $925,000 at Keeneland.

"She was maybe a little small, but she had all the parts and was a good mover," recalled BBN's founding partner and racing manager Braxton Lynch. "We got lucky enough to get her before the pedigree had really blown up. She came around quite early."

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Kilwin made her first start at Ellis Park when a turf sprint came up a week earlier than her originally scheduled debut on dirt. She won by two lengths before sticking to the grass and capturing the Untapable Stakes at Kentucky Downs.

Prior to her Breeders' Cup bid, a quarter share was offered in the filly at the inaugural Keeneland Championship Sale, but despite a few negotiations with underbidders, BBN remained the sole owner when the filly finished fifth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf.

Following a runner-up effort behind future champion Shisospicy (Mitole) in the GIII Mamzelle Stakes the following spring, Arnold decided to shift her to the main track.

"We were either going to have to go a mile or five and a half on grass, so it was a perfect time to try dirt going seven, which was really the distance she wanted," Lynch explained. "We'd always had in the back of our mind that she was going to be equally good on dirt, and it turned out she was better on dirt."

In the Leslie's Lady Overnight Stakes, Kilwin rallied late to defeat a field that included Grade I-placed Vodka With a Twist (Thousand Words) and future Grade I winner Eclatant (Into Mischief). Afterwards, her connections considered either the GI Test at the same distance or the GIII Monmouth Oaks going two turns.

"We knew that we were hoping to just hit the board in the Test, trying to get the Grade I-placing," said Lynch. "After we'd had the discussion, I was driving home and I called Rusty again and said, 'Look, I think seven furlongs hits her right between the eyes. She just won going seven furlongs. Why not give it a try?'"

Lynch regretted her decision as soon as the Test started when Kilwin stumbled out of the gate and dropped to the back of the field, but as the fillies entered the stretch, Kilwin came flying on the outside and sped past 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard,' Ragtime (Union Rags) in the final strides.

"When she fell out of the gate, I was just thinking, 'It was my fault. What have I done?'" recalled Lynch. "Halfway through the race, I'm still trying to process what was happening. Then she's coming and I'm thinking we might get a piece of this. And then when she won, I couldn't believe."



Kilwin in the winner's circle for the GI Test Stakes | *Sarah Andrew*

With around 80 partners on hand for the victory, it was a memorable day in Saratoga for the BBN team.

After her next race at Kentucky Downs, Kilwin came up with a minor injury that would require several months off. BBN decided to offer her at the Keeneland November Sale as a racing or breeding prospect, but they were hopeful that someone might be interested in partnering on the filly so she could return to the races the next year.

Howard, whose father had been involved in the business for decades, had just sold a farm in Kentucky and was looking to reinvest.

"I had obviously watched Kilwin in the Test and that was such a special performance to fall out of the gate and come back," he explained. "Besides her physical talent, she's mentally tough. That kind of got the wheels turning and when the opportunity came up, I went to them the day of the sale. We said if everything falls into place, let's do it. If somebody else takes off and it goes in a different direction, so be it."

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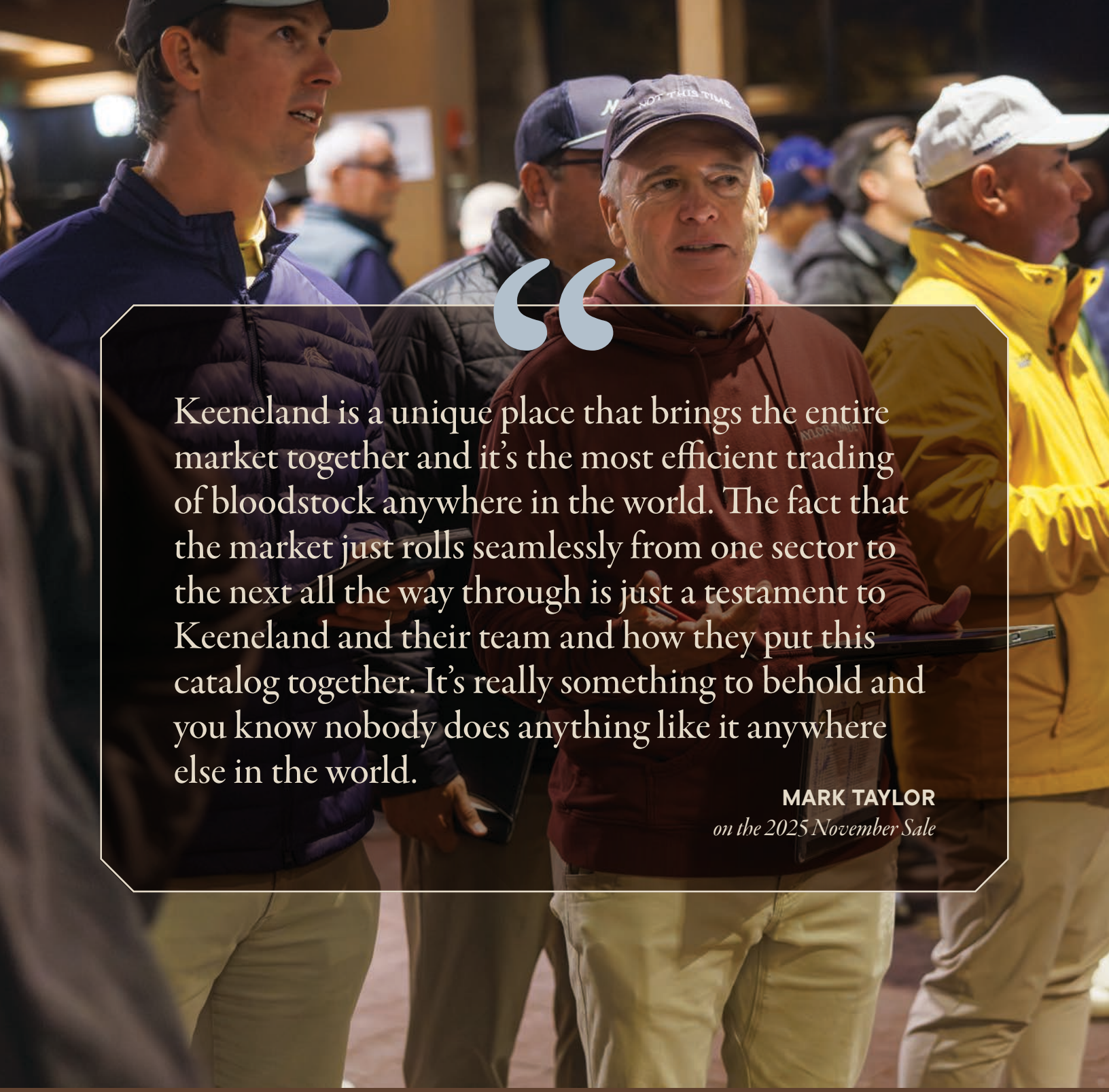

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BBN Racing and Rick Howard celebrate at the 2025 Keeneland November Sale | *Keeneland*

After Howard scored the winning bid at $3 million, the new partnership had to wait eight months before the star filly returned to the starting gate this year, but they were rewarded with an easy victory in the Twin Bridges Stakes at Ellis Park.

Kilwin returned to Grade I company in the Ballerina, rallying from last of the field to claim second behind Ways and Means (Practical Joke).

"Rusty has always had it in the back of his mind that she would have no problem going two turns, but we had a couple setbacks early on and the timing didn't work out to try that," noted Lynch. "The Ballerina was her second start this year and she ended up pretty far back. Despite what happened in the Test where she came from out of the clouds, that's not really what she wants to do. She can be a lot closer to the pace. Hopefully on our home track, we'll get another shot at Ways and Means."

The rematch will come in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint. Kilwin has been training at Keeneland in preparation for her final career start. Back on her home turf at Keeneland, Kilwin worked four furlongs in :48.40 last Thursday. After the Breeders' Cup, she will return to the Keeneland November Sale as a racing or broodmare prospect.

When Kilwin goes through the ring, it will be a bittersweet moment for her ownership group. The star filly has become BBN Racing's leading earner after surpassing Concrete Rose with over $1.3 million over her three years on the racetrack.

"I have the upmost respect for her as an athlete," said Lynch. "To do what she did in the Test was unbelievable. It takes a sort of superpower to do that and she puts that effort in every time."

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EARLY VOTING TO STAND FOR $50,000 AT TAYLOR MADE IN 2027



Early Voting | *Sarah Andrew*

Early Voting (Gun Runner--Amour d'Ete, by Tiznow), whose first crop has been headed by Grade I winner Miss Monica, will stand the 2027 breeding season at Taylor Made Stallions for $50,000, stands and nurses, according to a release from Dr. Paddy O'Casaigh, whose Fission Biomedical International owns 90% of the stallion. ***Cont.***



The Classic-winning son of Gun Runner has been represented by 12 winners from 36 starters from his first crop, including Miss Monica, a six-length winner of the $300,000 GI Debutante Stakes. His other black-type performers include Early Encore, and He Is No Lie, runner-up in both the GIII Bashford Manor Stakes and GIII Iroquois Stakes.

Early Voting's yearlings have averaged $166,590 this year, led by a colt purchased for $1.25 million by M.V. Magnier and White Birch Farm at Keeneland September.

"Performance is everything in racing," said Taylor Made Stallions President Ben Taylor. "Early Voting has it all. In the barn, on the track, at the sales. He leaves a lovely athletic type, and they can run. We already have 47 bookings for the 2027 breeding season."

O'Casaigh also announced that Fission Biomedical will offer one lifetime breeding share in Early Voting at Fasig-Tipton's Night of the Stars Nov. 2.

"We have been advised of at least two possible Early Voting 2-year-old entries to the 2026 Breeders' Cup in November, so we are delighted to consign this breeding share for auction at the Night of the Stars," O'Casaigh said.

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GIRVIN FILLY HEADS DAY 1 OF OBS OCTOBER YEARLING SALE

by Christina Bossinakis

Only moments into Tuesday's opening session of the OBS October Yearling Sale, a filly by the late sire Girvin (Hip 12) realized a session-topping $190,000 from CJ Thoroughbreds.

At the conclusion of the initial session, a total of 129 head brought $3,525,000 for an average of $27,326, which was up from $22,266 in 2025. The median also increased from $15,000 to $20,000 in 2026.

The leading consignor on the day was Beth Bayer, who sold 15 head for gross sales of $419,000.

Consigned by her breeder Glen Hill Farm, Tuesday's topper is out of the stakes-producing mare Jewish Guilt (Curlin).

Girvin, who entered stud at Airdrie in 2019, died suddenly in 2026.

"I thought she was an outstanding physical," explained Marette Farrell, acting agent for CJ Thoroughbreds. "We're also big supporters of Girvin and were very sad for Airdrie that he unfortunately passed away. He was really a stallion on his way up."

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Day 1 topper, a filly by Girvin | *OBS/VidHorse*

The eight-year-old mare is already responsible for stakes winner Unwritten Rule (Justify). The family traces back to GSW Ivanavinalot, the dam of two-time champion Songbird (Medaglia d'Oro).

"She is a well bred filly but she is also a very good looking filly," said Glen Hill's Craig Bernick. "She looks like she'll stand training and hopefully run at two."

Glen Hill purchased Jewish Guilt for $425,000 at the 2019 Keeneland September Sale.

"It's an old Florida family, that's why we bought into it," he explained. "It's actually the same family as Songbird if you look hard at the pedigree. It's a really good pedigree, that's why we bought it."

He added, "We had shares in Curlin and we like buying mares by Curlin out of fast pedigrees. We were confident that if you bring good horses they'll find them anywhere. I'm happy with the price by not surprised by it."

During Tuesday's session, Glen Hill sold a pair of yearlings for a gross of $215,000. The operation also sold Hip 87--a filly by Army Mule--for $25,000.

One year ago, Glen Hill sold the sale-topping yearling of the two-day auction, a filly by Into Mischief out of SW and MGSP Compelled (War Front) for $275,000. Named Medinah, the filly won first time out at Kentucky Downs last month.

"To be honest, we've been buying some foals to race, some colts, and holding onto what we think are some of our best fillies," said Bernick, explaining the decision to return to the October Sale.

"I really felt we had Book 3 and 4 horses, but Keeneland put us across four books, so instead of shipping all the people and the horses up there, we figured we'd sell them here. Historically, this can be a really good sale," he added

According to Farrell, the timing of the purchase coincided with some well-timed success for CJ Thoroughbreds, who co-owns Revenge of the Sis (Girvin), third in last weekend's GI Frizette Stakes.

CJ Thoroughbreds concluded the initial as the leading buyer, courtesy of its session-topping purchase.

"CJ Thoroughbreds had room for one more and really wanted to get a filly," said Farrell. "We all were very lucky last weekend that they had a filly called Revenge of Sis who was third in a Grade I, so I think everything fell into place. I'm delighted to get her."

The top-priced colt of the session was Hip 120, a son of Pappacap who brought $120,000. Out of unraced Quiet Talk (Honor Code), the New York-bred colt is a half to Iowa Oaks second Just Be Quiet (Karakontie {Jpn}).

Purchased by Willow Creek Ranch, the Apr. 5 foal was consigned by agent Colin Brennan Bloodstock at Highlander Training Center, the fourth leading seller on Day 1.

"This guy was exceptional," said Brennan. "Just in a league of his own especially compared to the Pappacaps I've seen. He stood out as a man among boys in my opinion. I thought he was one who presented himself well here, he was really well received and obviously it showed with the result."

A total of four horses sold for six-figures during Tuesday's session.

Included in that group was Hip 144, a bay filly by Mandaloun who went for $115,000 to trainer Saffie Joseph Jr. and Stephen Rousseau.

Also, Hip 175--a bay colt by Leinster--sold for $100,000 to Dew Sweepers.

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Tuesday's top-priced colt by Pappacap | *OBS/VidHorse*

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SESSION TOTALS	2026	2025
• Catalogued	224	258
• No. Offered	190	216
• No. Sold	129	160
• RNAs	61	56
• % RNAs	32.1%	25.9%
• Gross	$3,525,000	$3,562,600
• Average (% change)	$27,326 (+22.73%)	$22,266
• Median (% change)	$20,000 (+33%)	$15,000

SESSION TOPPERS

OBS OCTOBER YEARLING SALE

DAY 1

HIP	SEX	SIRE | DAM	PRICE ($)
12	f	**Girvin--Jewish Guilt**	**190,000**
		Breeder: Glen Hill Farm (KY)	
		Consignor: Glen Hill Farm	
		Purchaser: CJ Thoroughbreds	
120	c	**Pappacap--Quiet Talk**	**120,000**
		($150,000 wnlg '25 KEENOV)	
		Breeder: H & H Farms (NY)	
		Consignor: Colin Brennan Bloodstock at Highlander Training Center, Agent VIII	
		Purchaser: Willow Creek Ranch	
144	f	**Mandaloun--Sense When**	**115,000**
		Breeder: Kenneth D'Oyen (KY)	
		Consignor: JM Horse Land Stables LLC, agnt	
		Purchaser: Saffie Joseph Jr. / Stephen Rousseau	
175	c	**Leinster--Stifled Heiress**	**100,000**
		Breeder: Wavertree Farm & SGV Thoroughbreds (FL)	
		Consignor: Abbie Road Farm (Lisa McGreevy), Agt XXVI	
		Purchaser: Dew Sweepers	

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'HE'S BEEN MY LIFELINE': KATHLEEN NATHAN RETURNS TO THOROUGHBRED MAKEOVER WITH PORTOS



Kathleen Nathan and Portos | *Natalie Loizzo Photography*

by Sara Gordon

Throughout his racing career, Portos (Tapit) made 41 starts for six different trainers at 11 tracks over seven seasons. He finished in the top three in 19 of those starts, earned a total of $372,814 and even picked up a graded stakes placing before he retired. Though Portos may not have been a household name, the gray left an impression wherever he went--and on no one more deeply than Kathleen Nathan.

The pair first crossed paths in the summer of 2023 in trainer Amira Chichakly's barn at Belmont Park.

"She's always had all of these bays and chestnuts, but I walked into the barn one day and there was this beautiful gray horse with his head hanging out of a stall. I called [Amira] immediately and she says, 'Merry Christmas! This is your present for a couple of weeks until he ships up to Saratoga,'" explained Nathan. "I got to spend those handful of weeks riding Portos and that's when I fell in love with him."

A lifelong equestrian, Nathan developed a passion for the Thoroughbred long before she made her way to the racetrack. Inspired by the partnership with her first off-track Thoroughbred at the age of 13, Nathan relocated from her home state of Vermont to Long Island, New York, where she began buying Thoroughbreds off the track to retrain and resell as hunter/jumper prospects. It was these experiences, and her ever-growing list of connections within the racing industry, that inspired Nathan to take out her exercise rider's license at Belmont six years ago.

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Portos wins an allowance at Keeneland in April 2021 | *Coady*

"Riding the horses at the track allowed me to get a better understanding of their life there, which ultimately made it easier for me to choose which ones I wanted to transition into the hunter/jumper world much more effectively. If they're mellow and level-headed going up the track, by the time we get them home, give them turnout time, and take them off of the high-enrichment grain that the they have at the track, usually within two weeks you have a totally different horse," said Nathan.

By the time Nathan was introduced to Portos, the then 6-year-old had already spent time in the barns of four other trainers prior to being claimed by Chichakly. Earlier in his career, the son of Tapit finished third in the 2020 GIII Withers Stakes as a 3-year-old, collected stakes-placings at both ages 4 and 5, but never quite showed the talent to remain competitive in the higher levels of races.

Portos was moved to the barn of trainer Wayne Potts later that summer, where he remained through the end of his racing career. Though Nathan had only known the gelding for a short time, she vowed to keep up with Portos in hopes of being the one that could one day bring him home.

Yet all planning for the future came to a halt the day she received the dreaded call in March of 2024: Portos had suffered a condylar fracture of his left hind cannon bone and the prognosis was uncertain.

"I had never driven so fast to Belmont in my life. I went to his stall in Wayne's barn and just sat on the ground sobbing. They told me he had trained beautifully the day before, then put him in the stall overnight, and by the next day he was non-weight bearing behind," said Nathan. "I'm grateful to his owners who decided to go ahead with the surgery. He had two screws placed in the fetlock and then was sent to rehab. By that winter, he was back in training and cleared to race again with no limitations."

Upon his return to the track, Portos made six starts through the end of his 7-year-old season into the early spring of his 8-year-old year in 2025. After making the 41st start of his career, connections made the decision to retire their war horse, and Nathan got the call she had been waiting two years to receive.

"He's got way too much personality for his own good but when he's under saddle, he is a true gentleman and has a fabulous work ethic on the ground. He's a menace to society in the funniest ways. Truly a comeback kid, he's a tough guy, a total goofball, and I adore him," said Nathan.

Joining the herd at Nathan's lesson barn, comprised mainly of off-track Thoroughbreds, 9-year-old Portos has taken to the life of a hunter/jumper with aplomb. All of his post-track training will be on display this week as Portos and Nathan compete in the show hunter and show jumper divisions at the Retired Racehorse Project (RRP)'s 2026 Thoroughbred Makeover and National Symposium, held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky.



Portos and Kathleen Nathan in the hunter ring | *Bryan Nigro*

It will be a bittersweet experience for Nathan as she mourns the loss of her heart horse, Cherry Wine (Paddy O'Prado), who tragically passed away last month. Having made a name for himself in 2016 with a second-place finish in the GI Preakness Stakes, along with a third in the GI Toyota Blue Grass Stakes that year, Cherry Wine retired in 2018 after making 21 starts. Following his retirement, trainer Dale Romans gifted the gray to Nathan. In the years that followed, Cherry Wine took his talents to the hunter ring, among the many adventures he shared with Nathan.

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Portos and Kathleen Nathan go for a ride on the beach
Natalie Loizzo Photography

"If it wasn't for Portos, I wouldn't have the drive or the desire to do this right now. I'm so heartbroken over losing Cherry, but this is the kismet I need to get through this transition period," said Nathan. "I lost my heart horse, but this one kind of snuck in the backdoor and has already taken a huge piece of my heart. Portos has been my lifeline for this past month.

"I didn't think I would ever see him again after he broke his leg, let alone that he would return to racing, so for things to come full circle where I could take Portos on to his next career has been really special. We're going to continue to develop him as a hunter. He has the ambition for it and when it comes to his character, he's so full of grit."

This will mark Nathan's second trip to the Thoroughbred Makeover, following her first experience in 2022 with two entries.

"I think it's a fabulous way to demonstrate how versatile and intelligent these Thoroughbreds are. In 2022, we took a horse that had literally retired that July and was able to compete around a course of fences by October. There are so many incredible horses that excel in a variety of disciplines, and to be able to show that off in one place is truly remarkable," said Nathan. "I've never been to a show where everybody was so willing to help each other. It's the most camaraderie I've ever seen at an event and I'm really looking forward to that environment again."

Portos is one of hundreds of retired racehorses that have traveled to the Bluegrass to compete across 10 equestrian disciplines at this year's Thoroughbred Makeover, which takes place Wednesday, Oct. 7 through Saturday, Oct. 10. This season, the RRP will also host Graduate Classes, providing an opportunity for Thoroughbred Makeover alumni to compete at the Kentucky Horse Park once again.

Some notable names among this year's class of Thoroughbred Makeover competitors include multiple graded stakes winner Prince Abama (Ire) (Tamayuz {GB}); graded stakes winners Donegal Momentum (Uncle Mo), Majestic Eagle (Medaglia d'Oro), Opry (Declaration of War); multiple graded stakes-placed South Bend (Algorithms); graded stakes-placed Altissimo (Noble Causeway), Grand Aspen (Dialed In), Harry Hood (First Samurai), Portos, Runnin' Ray (Street Sense), Wendell Fong (Flat Out); and stakes winners Beeline (Bee Jersey), Classical Cat (Mendelssohn), Donut God (Into Mischief), Field Day (Broken Vow), Like a Saltshaker (Peace and Justice), Rustler (Dominus).

"I love the heart of the Thoroughbred," said Nathan. "I don't think you'll find a more gritty, hardier horse than a Thoroughbred because they want it more, in my opinion."

To learn more about the 2026 Thoroughbred Makeover and National Symposium, click here.

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NEW ZEALAND INITIATIVE AIMS TO PREDICT AND PREVENT RACEHORSE INJURIES

Edited Press Release

New Zealand is set to lead a world-first effort to turn decades of injury research into an early-warning system for racehorses through the New Zealand Equine Safety Initiative (NZESI), according to a statement released Tuesday.

The initiative will build a connected picture of the Thoroughbred across its entire life, from early development through training, racing and retirement. Growth and development information will be combined with training records, clinical history and sensor readings to better understand factors associated with injury risk.

The first research projects are already underway in partnership with New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing. Training and clinical records are being collated, growth data is being gathered from young horses and wearable sensors are being tested on horses in training, including 2-year-olds.

NZESI was conceived by Professors Wayne McIlwraith, Chris Rogers and Chris Kawcak, whose work spans equine orthopaedics, early development and injury prevention.

“Racing has never had a system that connects what happens to a horse from its first months of life through training and racing,” McIlwraith said.

“NZESI will build that system, bringing science and real-world information together to make injury more predictable and preventable. New Zealand can lead it, but its potential is global.”

New Zealand's connected Thoroughbred population is considered particularly well suited to the project. ***Cont.***

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Dr. Wayne McIlwraith | *courtesy Colorado State University*

"New Zealand is big enough to produce robust data and small enough to connect it," said Rogers, of Massey University. "We can study the horse across its whole life, with breeders, trainers, veterinarians and researchers working across the same population."

Early research includes collating training and clinical records; gathering growth and development data from young horses; testing Equimetrics wearable sensors to collect gait and cardiac data during fast work; and blood biomarker research using metabolomics to identify changes in bone health before clinical signs appear.

An earlier Colorado State University study predicted injury risk with 73.8% accuracy up to six months in advance, although the assays were too expensive for routine screening. Current research is examining whether metabolomics could provide a practical monthly screening tool.

"Catastrophic injury is rarely as sudden as it appears," said Kawcak, of Colorado State University. "The final failure may happen in one stride, but the underlying bone damage can develop over many months.

"We can detect those changes in a research setting. This program is about making that knowledge practical and affordable enough to use routinely with horses in work."

A new standing CT system is also under development, with a final prototype planned for completion by the end of 2026. It is designed to provide advanced bone imaging while the horse remains weight-bearing and without general anaesthesia.

Over time, the technologies are intended to form part of an Equine Safety Centre combining preventative screening, ongoing monitoring and a central research database.

NZESI is being established as an independent, board-led non-profit, with early research funded by New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing. Trainers, breeders, veterinarians, owners and researchers are being invited to participate and contribute data to future studies.

The steering group consists of McIlwraith, Rogers and Kawcak. Dr. Douglas Black and Dr. Paul Fraser are serving as veterinary advisors, while industry representatives include Nick Johnson, Vicky Leonard and Cameron Roger.

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The Horseracing Integrity & Welfare Unit's (HIWU) metrics for the second quarter of 2026 are now available on the HIWU website: HIWU ADMC Program Statistics: Q2 2026. The metrics include statistics on number and type of atypical findings by substance and status of all sample collection sessions from the quarter and year to date. The numbers in the report are broken down by substance, by state, and by track.

All quarterly and annual reports are available on HIWU's Reports & Statistics page.

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CYGAMES REMAINS SPONSOR OF BREEDERS' CUP SPRINT, LEXUS A NEW BREEDERS' CUP PARTNER

Cygames, Inc., the Japanese video game publisher and developer, will continue as an official partner of the 2026 Breeders' Cup World Championships as title sponsor of the GI Cygames Breeders' Cup Sprint. Cygames first joined the Breeders' Cup in 2024.

The renewed partnership will also feature an expanded on-site presence on championship weekend at Keeneland Oct. 30 and 31. The partnership highlights the growing connection between Japanese racing and the Breeders' Cup, bringing together the worlds of Thoroughbred racing and Cygames' globally popular Umamusume: Pretty Derby, the company's horse racing-inspired game. Forever Young (Jpn), winner of the 2025 GI Longines Breeders' Cup Classic, will be featured with a life-size statue of his Umamusume counterpart, along with photos and graphics celebrating Japanese horses that have competed in, and won at, the World Championships.

In addition, Lexus has been named the official luxury vehicle of the Breeders' Cup World Championships in a new partnership with the automative brand announced Tuesday.

Lexus will have a prominent presence at the World Championships, including naming rights to the premium Gold Lot parking area, which will be known as the Lexus Lot. ***Cont.***

The partnership includes presenting rights for the Jockey Cam integration into the World Championships broadcast across various media platforms.

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Remi Bellocq will open the winter lecture series at Keeneland Library when he discusses his cartoon book, *Horses Are Funny: The Racing World Through the Eyes of Remi Bellocq*, Nov. 20.

The lecture series continues Dec. 9 when Barry Irwin discusses his book *A Knight Errant*.

David Chaffetz will discuss his book *Raiders, Rulers, and Traders: The Horse and the Rise of Empires* during a Jan. 21 lecture.

The Library Lecture Series programs remain the library's only ticketed events, with proceeds benefiting the Keeneland Library Foundation's work to provide free year-round outreach and access services to all patrons.

Tickets for all Library Lecture Series events are $20 each and may be reserved at Keeneland.com/library or by calling 859-254-3412. Copies of featured books may be purchased in advance and signed by the authors during the reception following their presentations.

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TDN THOROUGHBRED DAILY NEWS **GRADED STAKES ENTRIES**

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Friday, 10/9, Keeneland #9, post time: 5:16 p.m. EDT

SYCAMORE S.-GII, $400,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Goldeneye	Hard Spun	David A. Bernsen LLC	Eurton	Maldonado	122
2	Just a Touch	Justify	Qatar Racing, Fergus Galvin, Adrian Regan & Marc Detampel	Cox	Ortiz, Jr.	122
3	Mercante	Gun Runner	Carl F. Pollard	Knippenberg	Ramos	122
4	Navy Seal (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Mrs. Fitriani Hay	Ward	Ortiz	122
5	Echo Lane	Treasure Beach (GB)	Anthony Rogers	Crichton	Hernandez, Jr.	122
6	English Actor	English Channel	Chiefswood Stables Limited	Halden	Alvarado	122
7	Limited Liability	Kitten's Joy	Stuart S. Janney III	McGaughey III	Saez	122
8	Tiz Dashing	Tiz the Law	Sackatoga Stable	Tagg	Castellano	122
9	Layabout	Laoban	Kevin M. Doyle	Biancone	Asmussen	124
10	Vote No	Divisidero	Crown's Way Racing, NBS Stable, Marko, Kevin & Diamant, Eli	Danner	Rispoli	122
11	Desvio	Yoshida (Jpn)	Stonelea Stable LLC and Bonnie Rye Stable	Meyers	Machado	122
12	Rothschild	Uncle Mo	AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC, Blieden, Mark and Taste of Victory Stables LLC	Casse	Concepcion	122
Also Eligible						
	Lambeth	Arrogate	Carl R. Moore Management, LLC	Sharp	Ortiz	122
	Sumood	Kitten's Joy	Shadwell Stable	Walsh	Gaffalione	122
	Carcano	Bolt d'Oro	BBN Racing, LLC	Oliver	Velazquez	122
	Ur Benja	Upstart	Brownwood Farm, LLC	Aranha	Graham	122

Breeders: 1-Elm Racing, 2-Don Alberto Corporation, 3-CFP Thoroughbreds, 4-Coolmore, 5-Echo Lane Of Ocala, 6-Chiefswood Stables, 7-Stuart Janney, III, 8-Camas Park Stud, 9-Newbyth Stud, 10-Mr. & Mrs. A. John Price, 11-Eliza St George & Lee Mauberret, 12-PTK, 13-Juddmonte, 14-Shadwell Farm, 15-Scott and Debbie Pierce & Dermot and Emma Quinn, 16-Brownwood Farm

Just a Touch (Justify) is 3-for-4 on the grass since making the transition from the dirt and is 2-for-2 at this demanding distance. **Tiz Dashing** (Tiz the Law) stretches out after a big effort in an allowance win at Saratoga. Has the figures, but this distance might be too far for him. **Echo Lane** (Treasure Beach ({GB}) didn't show up in the GII United Nations Stakes, but his prior form is much better and he has shown that he can handle this distance.

--Bill Finley

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Saturday, 10/10, Keeneland #9, post time: 5:16 p.m. EDT

QUEEN ELIZABETH II CHALLENGE CUP S. PRESENTED BY DIXIANA-GI, $750,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Haute Diva	Constitution	JSM Equine LLC	Biancone	Asmussen	121
2	Luster	Knicks Go	Gainesway Stable and Rosen, Andrew	Carroll	Velazquez	121
3	Tam Tam	Medaglia d'Oro	Rigney Racing LLC	Bauer	Alvarado	121
4	Faithful Departed	Yoshida (Jpn)	Ferrogine, Frank, Rendina, Richard, Coniglio, Nick and Greywood Farms, LLC	Forster	Ortiz	121
5	Turner's Charm	Not This Time	Thrash, Ike and Thrash, Dawn	Walsh	Curtis	121
6	Braida (Fr)	Mehmas (Ire)	Alain Jathiere	Graffard	Barzalona	121
7	Storm's Wake	Oscar Performance	William K. Werner	Lynch	Gaffalione	121
8	Lookin At Diamond	Lookin At Lucky	Diamond 100 Racing Club LLC	Powell	Leparoux	121
9	Kensington Lane (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Agave Racing Stable, Medallion Racing and Trommer, Evan	D'Amato	Rosario	121
10	Deep Learning	Cairo Prince	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	121
11	Soloist	Into Mischief	Magnier, Mrs. John, Smith, Derrick and Tabor, Michael B.	McPeek	Ortiz, Jr.	121

Breeders: 1-JSM Equine, LLC, 2-Mr. Ravi Sugrim & Ms. Joannie Dass, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Robert K. Johnson, 5-Castlepark Farm, LLC & Dermot Joyce, 6-6m. 1khalifa Mohammed Al Attiyah, 7-William Werner, 8-Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC, 9-Almost Always Partnership, 10-Tony Dardis, Dell Ridge Farm, KenDonworth & Desmond Ryan, 11-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt

Saturday, 10/10, Belmont #10, post time: 5:02 p.m. EDT

HILL PRINCE S.-GIII, $200,000, 3yo, 1 3/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Print	Munnings	Marc Keller	Ribaudo	Santana, Jr.	120
2	Protect and Defend	Munnings	Stuart S. Janney III	McGaughey III	Marin	120
3	Heeere's Johnny	Oscar Performance	Magic Carpet Racing, Coyle, Catherine W. and Blue Bison Stable	Handal	Davis	122
4	Lennox the Grey	Liam's Map	Willow Pond Stable	Delacour	Fresu	124
5	Bull Shoals	Mo Forza	Bushman Thoroughbreds	Antonucci	Carmouche	120
6	Caroline St. Beat	Tiz the Law	Madaket Stables LLC and Bouchey, Steven	Clement	Franco	124
7	Versailles Road	Quality Road	Bridlewood Farm, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and LaPenta, Robert V.	Pletcher	Zayas	120
8	Chambersville	Twirling Candy	Shortleaf Stable, Inc.	McPeek	Castellano	120
9	Third Coast	Uncle Mo	Glen Hill Farm	Proctor	Lezcano	122

Breeders: 1-Marc Keller, 2-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC, 3-Dr. John A. Chandler, 4-Roger Keith Long Revocable Trust dtd3/30/2009, 5-Miller & Bushman Thoroughbreds, 6-Lawrence Goichman, 7-Bonne Chance Farm LLC, 8-Shortleaf Stable, 9-Glen Hill Farm



Sunday, 10/11, Keeneland #8, post time: 4:44 p.m. EDT

FRANKLIN S.-GII, $400,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Usha	Tiz the Law	Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul	Baffert	Prat	123
2	Itzel	Mo Town	BSF Equine Athlete LLC	Ennis	Morales	121
3	Time to Dazzle	Not This Time	Tracy Farmer	Casse	Ortiz, Jr.	121
4	Pondering	Hard Spun	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Saez	121
5	Shoot It True	Munnings	Ice Wine Stable and Smart Choice Stable	Ward	Hazlewood	121
6	Kehoe Beach	Omaha Beach	Thomas W. Bachman	Ward	Ortiz	121
7	Ag Bullet	Twirling Candy	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C.	Baltas	Velazquez	121
8	Movin' On Up	Accelerate	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Gaffalione	125

Breeders: 1-Esler & Raine, 2-Eric Moreau-Sipiere & RandiMoreau-Sipiere, 3-Dr. Rodney Orr, 4-Godolphin, 5-Old Tavern Farm LLC, 6-John Bates, Ron Kirk & Michael Riordan, 7-H & E Ranch, 8-Estate Of Harvey A. Clarke

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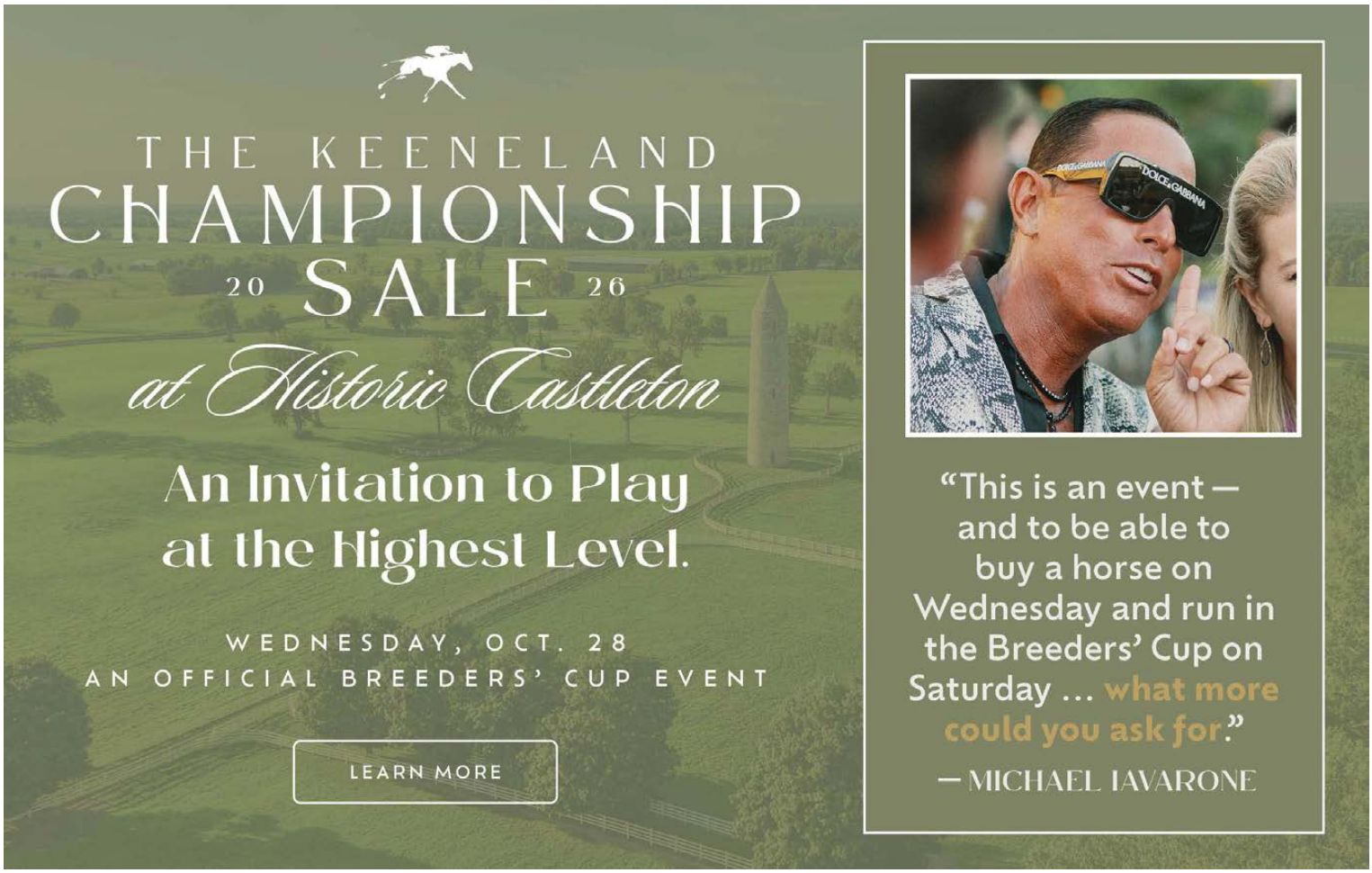

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WEDNESDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS: TINKER TAYLOR – THE FIRST FOAL OUT OF SHEDARESTHEDEVIL – DEBUTS AT BELMONT



Shedaresthedevil | *Fasig-Tipton*

2nd-BEL, $100K, Msw, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:43 p.m. ET

Tinker Taylor (Gun Runner), the first foal out of GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Shedaresthedevil (Daredevil), debuts going a one-turn mile for Hall of Famer Bill Mott. Jose Lezcano has the mount. Tinker Taylor brought $1.475 million from Erdenheim Farm Thoroughbreds as a yearling at last year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. Shedaresthedevil, a half-sister to unbeaten GI DraftKings Travers S. winner and 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Leading Change (Gun Runner), brought $5 million from breeder Whisper Hill Farm at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton November sale.

Godolphin homebred **Very Clever** (Curlin), a half-sister to MGISW Matareya (Pioneerof the Nile), makes her second career start for Brad Cox after a debut fourth going 6 1/2 furlongs at Saratoga Aug. 22. She is the 2-1 morning-line favorite. **TJCIS PPS**

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7
2026 Stud Fees Listed

Aloha West (Hard Spun), Mill Ridge Farm, $6,500
60 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Aloha East, 8-1
$20,000 EAS OCT yrl

Cyberknife (Gun Runner), Spendthrift Farm, $15,000
167 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Presque Isle Downs, 4:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Kabitzen, 10-1
$190,000 RNA FTS AUG yrl; $97,000 FTK OCT yrl; $15,000 OBS OPN 2yo
2-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 4:53 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Ninetales, 15-1
$35,000 KEE JAN wnl; $22,000 KEE SEP yrl; $40,000 OBS MAR 2yo
4-Keeneland, 2:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Spectacular Sam, 5-2
$95,000 FTK JUL yrl

Drain the Clock (Maclean's Music), Gainesway Farm, $10,000
134 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 4:53 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, V Formation, 5-1
$16,000 KEE JAN wnl; $110,000 FTK OCT yrl; $400,000 OBS APR 2yo

Early Voting (Gun Runner), Taylor Made Farm, $12,500
116 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners
2-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 4:53 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Doozie Do, 10-1

Epicenter (Not This Time), Coolmore Ashford, $25,000
206 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 5:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Gold On Black, 3-1
$475,000 KEE SEP yrl
3-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 5:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Ruettiger,

10-1
$675,000 KEE SEP yrl

Flightline (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, $125,000
124 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
4-Keeneland, 2:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Jump Seat, 2-1
4-Keeneland, 2:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Love Line, 10-1
$325,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Idol (Curlin), Taylor Made Farm, $5,000
81 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Penn National, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Lily's Gal, 4-1
$4,000 OBS OCT yrl; $10,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Jack Christopher (Munnings), Coolmore Ashford, $15,000
187 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Penn National, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Laflordelacanela, 2-1
$40,000 KEE SEP yrl; $30,000 OBS APR 2yo

Jackie's Warrior (Maclean's Music), Spendthrift Farm, $25,000
136 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners
2-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 4:53 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Jerri Jo, 5-1
$90,000 FTK JUL yrl; $190,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Mandaloun (Into Mischief), Juddmonte Farms, $10,000
100 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Knee High, 8-1
$285,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $65,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mr Freeze (To Honor and Serve), Raimonde Farms, $2,000
10 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Thistledown, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Sharon the Dancer, 15-1

Mystic Guide (Ghostzapper), Darley, $7,500
101 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Diviner, 8-1



3-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 5:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Vanguardian, 12-1
$25,000 KEE NOV wnl; $37,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Olympiad (Speightstown), Gainesway Farm, $20,000
149 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
4-Keeneland, 2:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, The Final Secret, 6-1
$57,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; $55,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl
4-Presque Isle Downs, 4:51 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Flowline, 5-2
$85,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; $11,000 FTK JUL yrl; $300,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Pinehurst (Twirling Candy), Walmac Farm, $7,500
82 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:52 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Princeofpinehurst, 10-1

Speaker's Corner (Street Sense), Darley, $10,000
111 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners
3-Albuquerque, 8:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Helpmehelpyou, 20-1
$30,000 KEE NOV wnl; $22,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7
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Halladay (War Front), Kingfisher Farm, $5,000
87 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Albuquerque, 8:55 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Romeo P., 20-1
$6,000 FTD JUN 2yo

ADDITIONAL RACING

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:
3rd-Presque Isle Downs, $47,385, (C)/Opt. Clm ($62,500), 10-6, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15.73, ft, head.
SHADOW FACTOR (g, 4, The Factor--Amy Farah Fowler {SW, $157,150}, by Astrology) Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-7-5-4, $251,425. O/B/T-Ron G. Potts (PA).

3rd-Fairmount, $40,500, (S), (NW4L)/Opt. Clm ($20,000), 10-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.62, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.
TUM TAP (f, 3, Tapiture--Lil Rum Tum, by Kodiak Kowboy) Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-2, $90,109. O-Ismael Thoroughbreds LLC; B-S. D. Brilie, L.P. (IL); T-Eduardo Rodriguez.



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7th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $34,000, 10-5, (NW1$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.88, fm, nose.
MOON LAW (f, 4, Tiz the Law--Noon Moon, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-1, $77,531. O/T-Brian Waltz; B-La Nora, LLC (KY). *$32,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; $135,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR.

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7th-Thistledown, $31,000, 10-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.20, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.
UNFAITHFUL ROSE (f, 3, Vino Rosso--Starshipunfaithful, by Dialed In) Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, $107,106. O-Thorough Crowd and Mr. CPA Racing; B-Monarch Farms (FL); T-Ethan W. West. *$22,000 RNA Wlg '23 KEENOV; $5,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP.

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5th-Thistledown, $30,700, 10-6, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.18, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.
SASSY WALKER (m, 6, Munnings--Sasini {GB}, by Fastnet Rock {Aus}) Lifetime Record: 33-6-10-6, $234,606. O-Holly Delaney; B-John R & Frank Penn (KY); T-Richard Zielinski. *$180,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

7th-Finger Lakes, $26,500, 10-6, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.65, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.
ISOLA D'ORO (g, 4, Goldencents--Piccola Isola, by Western Expression) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-3, $54,230. O/T-Lisa L. Lugovich; B-Richard J. Lugovich (NY). *1/2 to Picco Uno (Macho Uno), MSW, $431,667.

4th-Finger Lakes, $25,800, 10-6, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.63, ft, 3/4 length.
HONORABLE BECKY (f, 4, Honor A. P.--Haughty Girl, by Quality Road) Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-5, $83,484. O-Joseph Bucci; B-Cutair Racing LLC, Ternary Inc., Perrine Time Thoroughbreds LLC, et al (NY); T-Richard Shaffer. *$70,000 Ylg '23 SARAUG.

3rd-Assiniboia Downs, C$20,580, (C)/Opt. Clm ($15,785), 10-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.97, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.
WECANONLYIMAGINE (f, 3, Omaha Beach--Swimsuit Issue, by Scat Daddy) Lifetime Record: 10-5-2-0, $86,643. O-Brown, Jared and Ganas, John; B-Cypress Creek Equine LLC (NY); T-Jared Brown. *$14,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Wave Maker, c, 2, **Jack Christopher**--Wave Pattern, by Medaglia d'Oro. Mountaineer Casino & Resort, 10-5, 5f, 1:00.72. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $11,020. B-Five Rings Racing LLC (KY). *$20,000 Wlg '24 KEENOV; $48,000 Ylg '25 FTKOCT; $50,000 2yo '26 OBSOPN. **1ST-TIME STARTER. ***14th winner for freshman sire (by Munnings).

SGV THOROUGHBREDS GRADUATE

Today's Agenda, f, 2, **Known Agenda**--Red Rosette, by Speightster. Assiniboia Downs, 10-5, 5 1/2f, 1:07.53. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, $12,916. B-Susan Y. Foreman & Craig C. Cameron (ON). *$19,000 RNA Wlg '24 KEENOV; C$18,000 Ylg '25 CANSEP.

Spirit of Troy, c, 2, **Mor Spirit**--Nightstar, by Lotsa Mischief. Fairmount, 10-6, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07.33. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $24,005. B-Steven J. McCammack (IL).

Amor Ala Mexicana, f, 3, **Hoppertunity**--Dancingwithdebbie, by Mizzen Mast. Parx Racing, 10-6, (S), 6f, 1:12.85. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, $45,610. B-Cynthia Bartkowski & Scott Bunker (PA). *1/2 to Gamboling Ghost (Weigelia), SW, $129,913; Shoshanah (Weigelia), MSP, $231,303.

Tony Hooks, g, 3, **Joevia**--Cassidy's Reward, by Warrior's Reward. Finger Lakes, 10-6, 6f, 1:11.66. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-2, $34,958. B-Fazio Stables, LLC (NY).

Cosmic Connection, g, 6, **Eastwood**--Street Shiner, by Indygo Shiner. Presque Isle Downs, 10-6, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:11.33. Lifetime Record: 22-1-2-4, $46,803. B-Whysper Wynd Farm LLC (PA).

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Eastwood, Cosmic Connection, g, 6, o/o Street Shiner, by Indygo Shiner. MSW, 10-6, Presque Isle Downs
Goldencents, Isola d'Oro, g, 4, o/o Piccola Isola, by Western Expression. ALW, 10-6, Finger Lakes
Honor A. P., Honorable Becky, f, 4, o/o Haughty Girl, by Quality Road. ALW, 10-6, Finger Lakes
Hoppertunity, Amor Ala Mexicana, f, 3, o/o Dancingwithdebbie, by Mizzen Mast. MSW, 10-6, Parx Racing
Jack Christopher, Wave Maker, c, 2, o/o Wave Pattern, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 10-5, Mountaineer
Joevia, Tony Hooks, g, 3, o/o Cassidy's Reward, by Warrior's Reward. MSW, 10-6, Finger Lakes
Known Agenda, Today's Agenda, f, 2, o/o Red Rosette, by Speightster. MSW, 10-5, Assiniboia
Mor Spirit, Midnight Date, m, 5, o/o Midnight Flash, by Midnight Lute. AOC, 10-6, Fairmount
Mor Spirit, Spirit of Troy, c, 2, o/o Nightstar, by Lotsa Mischief. MSW, 10-6, Fairmount
Munnings, Sassy Walker, m, 6, o/o Sasini (GB), by Fastnet Rock (Aus). ALW, 10-6, Thistledown
Omaha Beach, Wecanonlyimagine, f, 3, o/o Swimsuit Issue, by Scat Daddy. AOC, 10-5, Assiniboia
Tapiture, Tum Tap, f, 3, o/o Lil Rum Tum, by Kodiak Kowboy. AOC, 10-6, Fairmount
The Factor, Shadow Factor, g, 4, o/o Amy Farah Fowler, by Astrology. AOC, 10-6, Presque Isle Downs
Tiz the Law, Moon Law, f, 4, o/o Noon Moon, by Malibu Moon. ALW, 10-5, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Vino Rosso, Unfaithful Rose, f, 3, o/o Starshipunfaithful, by Dialed In. ALW, 10-6, Thistledown

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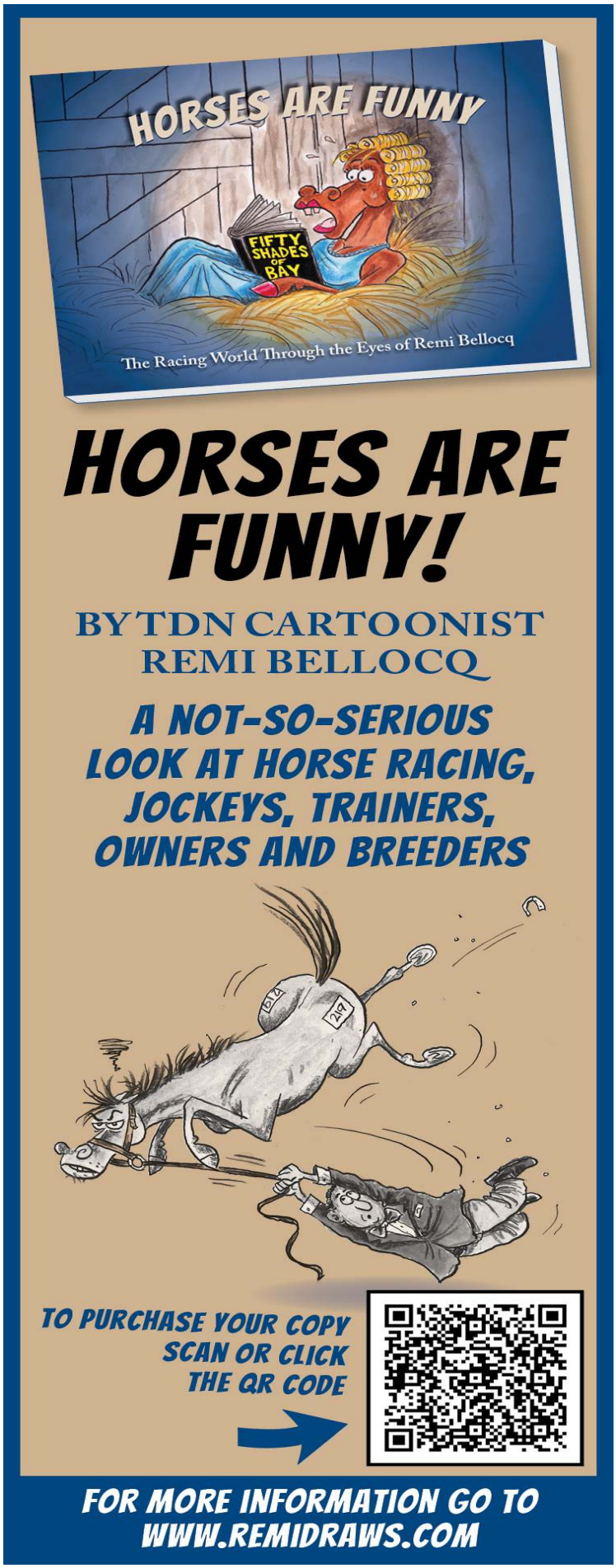

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OBS October Yearlings
Wednesday, Oct. 7

Hip	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Prev Sale	Buyer/Agent	Current Consignor
251	C	Vino Rosso-Sweet Dreams Diva	$8,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Alan Kahn	Colin Brennan Bloodstock
252	F	Zandon-Sweet Franny Lu	$10,000	FTN FALL MIX 2025	Michelle Redding	Silver Oaks Farm
256	F	Bucchero-Tapatoo	$9,000	INGLIS DIG USA JUN 26	Empire Bloodstock	Empire Bloodstock
261	F	Speaker's Corner-Thealkascraftygirl	$3,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Edy Gonzalez	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
263	F	Dr. Schivel-Tiz a Brite Miss	$40,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	TSE	Colin Brennan Bloodstock
264	F	Two Phil's-Tiz Imaginary	$27,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	John B. Penn	Sue Vacek
267	C	Tacitus-Top Hat Tizzy	$3,000	FT JULY DIGITAL 2026	CCM Racing	Doble J Equine Sales
270	C	Olympiad-Tropical Wave	$5,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Jose L. Ordonez	Derby Boys
271	F	Jack Christopher-Trouble Making	$20,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Bauer Stables	Abbie Road Farm
272	C	Pappacap-True Love Is Yare	$22,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	RKG Racing	Potrero Stables
273	C	Honest Mischief-Tuberose	$2,500	FTN FALL MIX 2025	MSK Stable	Colin Brennan Bloodstock
274	F	Zandon-Twice Around	$5,000	FT JAN DIG 26	Yoni R. Orantes	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
276	C	Mo Donegal-Upgraded	$7,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Edy Gonzalez	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
277	F	Mage-Valentines Romance	$90,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	OWL Stable	Silver Oaks Farm
283	F	Corniche-Vienna Code	$45,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Scott & Evan Dilworth	Summerfield
288	F	Charlatan-Wandering	$12,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Juan Garduno	Abbie Road Farm
289	C	Scalding-Wealthy Shipman	$4,500	FT MAY DIG 2026	C and B Racing	Doble J Equine Sales
296	C	Zandon-Zeta Zody	$2,500	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Yolanda Del Rosario	Beth Bayer
298	F	Vino Rosso-Acoustic Melody	$18,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Y. Gonzales & F. Alanis	F. Alanis Stables
301	C	Authentic-Affianced	$18,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Good Old Boys	Afleet Equine Services
318	C	Collected-Bankstriss	$3,000	FTKWNT MIX 2026	Edy Gonzalez	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
319	F	Hard Spun-Bansuri	$25,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Global Racing	Really & Truly Thoroughbreds
322	F	Roadster-Bear It	$4,500	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Potrero Stables	Potrero Stables
324	C	Magic On Tap-Belacqua (Ire)	$9,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Omar Oropeza	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
327	C	Win Win Win-Betty	$10,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Winter Bloodstock	Kaizen Sales
329	C	Mandaloun-Big Mama Kane	$2,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Kenny Fletcher	MPK Sales
330	F	Vino Rosso-Big Q	$12,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Y. Gonzales & F. Alanis	F. Alanis Stables
331	F	Country Grammer-Birdmudiful	$3,500	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Luis A. Quevedo	Sweet River Thoroughbreds
333	C	Mandaloun-Birdy Num	$37,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	John B. Penn	Sue Vacek

Hip	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Prev Sale	Buyer/Agent	Current Consignor
336	F	Mind Control-Bobby's Brickhouse	$2,500	FTN FALL MIX 2025	YG Farms	Vinery Sales
341	C	Mo Donegal-By His Grace	$25,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Victor Ganaja	Abbie Road Farm
344	C	Global Campaign-California Breeze	$4,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Edy Gonzalez	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
348	C	Magic On Tap-Carolinaonmymind	$2,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Two Brother's Equine	Las Palmas Farm
353	F	War Dancer-Chow Fun	$4,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Weston Thoroughbreds	Kaizen Sales
354	F	Mandaloun-Ciao Bella	$3,500	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Edy Gonzalez	Sweet River Thoroughbreds
358	C	Dialed In-Classic Queen	$20,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Juan Garduno	Abbie Road Farm
362	C	Coal Front-Conquest Inatwirl	$1,500	OBSWNT MIX 2026	C & C Partners	Antiquarian Stable Inc.
367	C	Greatest Honour-Credit Suspended	$8,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Luis A. Quevedo	Sweet River Thoroughbreds
372	C	Honest Mischief-Currency Chaos	$4,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	RAK Racing	Antiquarian Stable Inc.
373	C	Spun to Run-Cypriana	$6,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Luis Quevedo	Sweet River Thoroughbreds
383	F	Roadster-Deposit Only	$35,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Victor Ganaja	Abbie Road Farm
384	C	Dr. Schivel-Desert Rendezvous	$25,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Ward Racing	Antiquarian Stable Inc.
386	C	Charlatan-Diamond Code	$25,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	David Osterholt	Kaizen Sales
387	C	Knicks Go-Discreet Power	$9,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Samuel Guerra	L & M Bloodstock
389	C	Zandon-Distinctive Nature	$3,000	FT JAN DIG 26	Jay Goodwin	Vinery Sales
391	F	Goldencents-Dollywood Star	$3,500	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Gonzalez Farm	AVP Training and Sales
395	C	Flameaway-Draft	$15,000	FT NY-BRED YLG 2026	Alejandro Vargas	AVP Training and Sales
400	C	Leinster-Ella's Island	$5,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Makarena Group	Abbie Road Farm
401	F	Mystic Guide-English Tea	$2,500	FT DEC DIGITAL 2025	Goldencents Thoroughbreds	Goldencents Thoroughbreds
403	C	Rowayton-Explosive Package	$2,500	FTN FALL MIX 2025	Rachel Goodwin	Vinery Sales
404	C	Complexity-Eye of Ra	$12,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Victoriano Juarez	Sweet River Thoroughbreds
408	F	Central Banker-Flashy Note	$8,000	FT JUNE DIGITAL 2026	Empire Bloodstock	Empire Bloodstock
413	F	Taiba-Gaman	$30,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Janice Woods	Bobby Jones Equine
418	F	Americanrevolution-Giulia Ammannati	$9,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Bauer Stables	Abbie Road Farm
420	F	Brethren-Given Time	$2,700	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Lynne Boutte	Boutte Sales
421	C	Maximus Mischief-Glamour Puss	$3,500	FT JUNE DIGITAL 2026	BTK Racing	Doble J Equine Sales
423	C	Mullion-Golden Lake	$7,000	FT NY-BRED YLG 2026	S.E.S.	Kaizen Sales
425	C	Mo Donegal-Graceland	$17,000	FTKWNT MIX 2026	Old Fellas Racing	Afleet Equine Services
428	F	Jimmy Creed-Gray Storm A'comin	$7,500	OBSWNT MIX 2026	Y. Gonzales & F. Alanis	F. Alanis Stables
431	F	Authentic-Gun Runnin Girl	$23,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Royal Colors Racing	Colin Brennan Bloodstock
438	F	Volatile-Hopewell Girl	$3,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 2026	Bella Racing	On Point Training & Sales
439	C	Endorsed-Hurricane Zoey	$5,000	OBSWNT MIX 2026	C-G Stables	Really & Truly Thoroughbreds

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GODOLPHIN SMASHES EUROPEAN RECORD WITH 4.6M GNS NIGHT OF THUNDER COLT



Sheikh Mohammed: Godolphin's 15.73 million gns spent at Tattersalls on Tuesday was headed by a 4.6 million gns Night Of Thunder colt
Tattersalls

By Emma Berry and Brian Sheerin

NEWMARKET, UK –– When owner-breeder Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum died just over a fortnight ago, it could not then have been foreseen that his elder brother Sheikh Mohammed would be present at Tattersalls at all this year. But the Godolphin principal, one of the October Yearling Sale's most stalwart supporters over the decades, has been in attendance at Park Paddocks daily since Sunday and, as has so often been the case, made a significant and welcome impact on the market when signing up 11 yearlings for a total of 15.7 million gns on the opening day of Book 1 of the October Yearling Sale.

This included a bright chestnut son of Darley's champion sire Night Of Thunder (lot 130), who set a new European yearling sale record for a colt when becoming the most expensive yearling sold anywhere in the world this year at 4.6 million gns.

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MARK JOHNSTON: 'THINK ABOUT WHERE RACING WILL BE IN 20-30 YEARS' *by Gary King*

Few trainers have left a bigger mark on British racing than Mark Johnston. Renowned for the scale and consistency of his operation, Johnston became the first trainer in Britain to saddle 5,000 winners before handing over the licence to his son Charlie.

For the latest installment of *TDN*'s Words To Live By series, Gary King caught up with Johnston to discuss the people and advice that shaped his career, from the business partner who helped accelerate his progress to the advice that ultimately led him to strike out on his own. For young people entering the industry today, Johnston believes it is important to look well beyond the present and consider where racing might be decades from now. Cont. p11

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Ka Ying Rising (Shamexpress) barrier trialed over 1000 metres at Randwick on Tuesday. The gelding is prepping for a start in G1 The Everest on October 17.
| *Bronwen Healy*

11 | DARYZ BELOW LAST YEAR'S FORM IN DEFENDING ARC TITLE

The Aga Khan Studs' Daryz (Sea The Stars) was handed a mark of 128 by Timeform for her Arc victory. This was two pounds below his 130 earned in winning the 2025 edition of the race.

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Offered by Norelands Stud on behalf of his breeder Ling Tsui, the colt is the second foal of the G1 Pretty Polly Stakes runner-up My Astra (Lope De Vega), the fourth generation of her family to have raced for David and Ling Tsui. Their name is of course synonymous with their great homebred champion Sea The Stars, who appears in the third generation of the Night Of Thunder colt as the sire of his great granddam My Titania, who became the first ever stakes winner for her illustrious father when winning the G3 CL Weld Park Stakes back in 2013.

"It's been a while since we've done this," said Norelands manager Matt Gilsenan, with a broad grin. Smashing the European record for a yearling colt is not something that happens every day, when that colt just happens to be the subject of interest to both Godolphin and Coolmore, who knows where the buck will stop? This time, it was at 4.6 million gns, surpassing the previous record set by a Wootton Bassett colt out of Park Bloom that sold for 4.3 million gns to Amo Racing in 2024.

"It's fantastic. Look, we're delighted to have horses for Mrs Tsui. He's an absolute superstar colt by a magnificent stallion and out of a mare who's done it as well. I mean, in our wildest dreams though, it was above and beyond."

Norelands' Hamish McCalmont added, "Ever since he was a foal he just was the most amazing horse. As Matt said, it's thanks to Mrs Tsui and the team at home and it's amazingly special.

"He lives on the farm, and everyone at home, the guys not even here, it's been a great team effort. It's brilliant." **Cont. p4**



Lot 130, Tuesday's top lot by Night Of Thunder | *Tattersalls*



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- 1st *Lennox Stakes* **[G2]**
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- 1st *Lowther Stakes* **[G2]**
- 1st *Albany Stakes* **[G3]**
- 2nd *Cheveley Park Stakes* **[G1]**
- 2nd *Duchess Of Cambridge Stakes* **[G2]**

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- 1st *Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere* **[G1]**
- 2nd *Prix d'Aumale* **[G2]**


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After seeing off underbidder MV Magnier, Anthony Stroud said of the colt, "He is a particularly taking individual. He has the pedigree, he has the looks and he has stallion potential. He is an extremely nice horse coming from a very good stud. We couldn't be happier to have him. We are so lucky to have bought him but he was definitely at the top end of our valuation, for sure. Mrs Tsui is an excellent breeder."

All told, there were six lots sold for seven figures on the opening day of Book 1. That helped turnover climb a massive 16% to 46,778,000gns – with Godolphin's spending spree accounting for roughly a third of the day's tally. Meanwhile, the median was up by 14% to 240,000gns while the average jumped a whopping 26% to 406,765gns. The clearance rate stood at 85%.

Brosnan's Luck Holds True with Loch Lein

What's meant for you won't pass you by. That's how the old saying goes, and it may well have been running through the mind of Denis Brosnan as he watched his Wootton Bassett colt (lot 87) sell for 3.8 million gns after another epic Godolphin-Coolmore bidding duel.

Seven years ago in this same sale, Brosnan had bought back the colt's dam, who was subsequently named Loch Lein and won the Listed Prix Amandine as well as notching a few Group 3 placings in his colours. Having returned to Croom House Stud to launch her broodmare career, the daughter of Invincible Spirit has produced three foals to date, with the first of them, Treanmor (Frankel), having sold for €2 million at the Goffs Orby Sale two years ago. Her third foal temporarily achieved the accolade of being the highest-priced yearling sold anywhere in the world this year but was subsequently knocked down to second by the session-topping Night Of Thunder colt.

"We thought he was a two-million horse coming here, but obviously doubling that is a treat," Brosnan said.

"You can never tell what's going to happen though, until the two powerhouses get into one another, but all the others were in there as well – Juddmonte, Amo. He was a very special horse, he was very special all the time."

He added, "We failed to sell his dam, Loch Lein, as a yearling. We raced her ourselves, and she was group-placed. Her first foal sold for €2 million and now this one sells for 3.8 million. We kept the filly in the middle and she's in training with John Gosden. She's only had three yet.

"As my wife says, it was a lucky day to bring the filly home."

Brosnan first invested in the family in 2007 when buying granddam Ashley Hall (Maria's Mon), a half-sister to the GI Blue Grass Stakes winner Bandini, for $825,000 at Keeneland's November Sale. **Cont. p5**

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Loch Lein is not the sole black-type offspring of Ashley Hall. Her full-brother Pedestal was third in the Windsor Castle Stakes while Oliver Show (No Nay Never) was also Listed-placed. Another daughter, My Philly Girl, has produced black-type winners in America.

Anthony Stroud, who conducted the bidding for Godolphin, said, “It goes without saying that the people at Croom House Stud do an excellent job and have bred many, many good horses. Of course, it is a lot of money, but that is what these types of horses cost and breeders are striving to breed horses of this calibre. Hopefully he is a very good racehorse.”



Anthony Stroud | *Tattersalls*

‘*Stuff of Dreams*’ for Hillwood Stud

Charlie Vigors labelled Hillwood Stud’s 1.8 million gns Frankel colt selling to Godolphin as "the stuff of dreams" for breeders Tony Bloom, Ian McAleavy and Patrick Veitch, who received an almost immediate return on their investment in 2.5 million gns December Mares purchase Get Ahead (Showcasing) with the mare's first foal.

“This is the stuff of dreams,” Vigors said about lot 27, who set the tone for what was to come at Park Paddocks. “He's always been an exceptional horse. It was the thing to do [send the mare to Frankel] with Chaldean being on the page. We'd seen what Frankels make in the ring and that figure is probably in the ballpark of what we expected him to make. Hugh thanks obviously goes to Sheikh Mohammed, Anthony Stroud and the entire Godolphin team as well as the underbidders, of which there were plenty. He has been very busy all week - never put a foot wrong - and I'm just delighted for the whole team at home.”

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Stroud, who conducted the bidding from outside the ring in the company of Godolphin principal Sheikh Mohammed, said, "Showcasing is a good broodmare sire, Frankel is just a fantastic stallion and this colt was a great mover and just a beautiful horse.

"It's great and fantastic that [Sheikh Mohammed] is here, I mean I think that's testament to his involvement in the sport and his support for British and Irish racing and breeding.

"It shows the commitment by the two great men, John Magnier and Sheikh Mohammed, who since the 1980s have been involved in this whole industry and supporting it in every different area as well, you know not only breeding and having farms but being active at sales and on the racecourse. It's just extraordinary really, we've got a lot to thank them both for really."

Annette O'Callaghan Remembered After Breakthrough Millionaire

David O'Callaghan paid an emotional tribute to his mother Annette, who died following an illness last month, after Yeomanstown Stud recorded its first seven-figure sale when a Ghaiyyath pinhook rocked into 1.3 million gns. The colt (lot 103), bought by Godolphin, was shrewdly sourced for €200,000 at the Castlebridge Consignment at the Goffs November Foal Sale.

O'Callaghan said. "That was amazing. Absolutely amazing. First time, actually, that Yeomanstown has broken the million at a sale. We've come close before but never actually broken the million-marker, so it's fantastic. But here, he was an exceptional foal and is an exceptional yearling. He's by a sire who is on the up and up, and everyone was very keen on him. We thought he would sell very well. Did we expect him to do that? No. But it is just amazing when two buyers lock horns. Thank you to Sheikh Mohammed and Anthony Stroud for having the faith in the horse and the best of luck to them." **Cont. p7**

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Lot 357 Bay Colt

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Lot 429 Bay Filly

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He added, “At the time, it probably was a fair throw for him as a foal, but we felt that Ghaiyyath was on the up. He has jumped up another level this year and everyone seems to be on the Ghaiyyath bandwagon. I think my mother was looking down on us for that one.”

There has been a huge outpouring of emotion towards the O’Callaghan family after Annette’s death. O’Callaghan admitted to not having time to read all of the letters and cards sent to Yeomanstown Stud following his mother’s passing.

He concluded, “It has been difficult but we are lucky in that we have been so busy because you have to keep going. Between family, children, ponies and horses, we didn't have time to stop. You can't imagine the amount of letters and cards we have had with kind stories about my mother. She was just a kind person to a lot of people. We haven't even read them all yet. There's hundreds of them. She left an impression on a lot of people.”

The Ghaiyyath colt is out of the winning Kodiac mare Maria Christina, a half-sister to GII Monmouth Stakes winner Speaking Of Which (Invincible Spirit).

Mountarmstrong Stud Joins Millionaires’ Row with Wootton Bassett Filly



Lot 141, Tuesday’s filly topper by Wootton Bassett | *Tattersalls*

It was very much a case of millionaires' row at Tattersalls on Tuesday and, another major farm to get a piece of the seven-figure action was Mountarmstrong Stud, whose Wootton Bassett filly out of G1 Matron Stakes winner No Speak Alexander (Shalaa) was sold to Richard Brown of Blandford Bloodstock at 2.6 million gns.

“Savage – absolutely savage,” said Mountarmstrong Stud manager Rob Tierney shortly after the hammer dropped. “We were going very well with her and obviously she is a beautiful filly.”



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He added, “But it all changes when you come up to the ring and she just got a great reception. Ever since we started showing on Friday, we felt something special could happen because she just got better and better and people were liking her more and more. It's just fantastic. It has been a very strong sale so far.”

Brown added, “The sister from last year [Silent Beauty, who sold for €1 million at Goffs] has gone on and won two Listed races, and I was the underbidder on her. Arguably, I thought this filly had more size, scope and strength than her. She is a rare specimen and it is rare to see a filly like her. She is one of the best fillies I have seen this week and probably for a long time. I think she is outstanding.”

Stewart Stardust Once Again with 1.1m Blue Point Filly

It wouldn't be Book 1 without breeder Trevor Stewart supplying some stardust with his brilliant Cassandra Go family - and this time, it was his Gleneagles daughter out of that great mare, who hit the headlines when her Blue Point filly sold to Godolphin for 1.1 million gns.

Consigned by Ballyhimikin Stud, the daughter of Holly Golightly, a winner and fourth in a Listed contest herself, is the latest seven-figure lot that Stewart has sold from the family at Tattersalls.

“It’s so exciting because every daughter — I think Cassandra Go had a few — has made a million,” Stewart beamed. “Every daughter has had a million-pound yearling, which is just amazing. And I hate to say this, but she has an even nicer City Of Troy filly foal, which will certainly not be sold. So it’s very exciting.”

He added, “I have three daughters on the farm - three daughters and two granddaughters breeding, and one great-granddaughter. And I keep saying every time I sell something like this, there’ll be no more releases. But I’m afraid financially sometimes you have to release something.”

Flay Cooks Up a Delight for Loughtown Stud

Lot 82 provided a pinch-me moment for Paddy Burns when the Blue Point filly brought Loughtown Stud’s biggest result to date. The daughter of Light The Stars, a Sea The Stars half-sister to leading sire Lope De Vega, was sold to American owner-breeder Bobby Flay for 825,000gns and the excitement may not be over yet for the family as the filly’s two-year-old half-sister Haven (Wootton Bassett) has been supplemented for Friday’s G1 Fillies’ Mile.

“We sold the mare's two-year-old here last year, and Coolmore bought her for 550,000gns,” Burns said. “She's a winner and is now supplemented for the Fillies' Mile. It's a very hot race and we’d be delighted with a place.”

Burns and his wife Helena moved into Loughtown Stud in 2018 with four broodmares. He continued, “We keep trying to upgrade the broodmare band. We've bought some nice fillies. We're covering them well. Light The Stars is in foal to Frankel – we can pay for the nomination now.

“This filly is beautiful, she resembles her mother, and, so I'm told, granddam Lady Vettori."

He added, "I just want to thank my wife, who is at home looking after four kids and she does all the veterinary work, plus Brian and Brendan on the farm.” **Cont. p8**



Lot 82, a filly by Blue Point | *Tattersalls*



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Flay, who described his breeding and ownership operation in Europe to be "growing," revealed that Andrew Balding would train the filly. He also explained that, given he owns a mare under the second dam, Lady Frankel (Frankel), he had a natural affinity towards the pedigree of the filly who meets every one of Flay's strict criteria.

He said, "This is my kind of family. I am very selective in what I buy at these sales – it has to come from an attractive, big family and by a proven sire. It has to have intrinsic value. I'm not the guy who's going to go out and buy 12 colts to try and win the Derby. That's not my play. I actually own another filly in this family, Lady Frankel, so I know the page very well."

He added, "She will go to Malcolm Bastard before joining Andrew Balding, who helped identify her for me. I sent Andrew a very small list and she was one of his favourites. Andrew is one of the best in the world so, if I am going to give him something to train, I am going to want him to like it! Thankfully he loved her."



Chris Richardson | *Tattersalls*

Flay's distinctive yellow and orange colours are perhaps best remembered for being carried by Breeders' Cup winner Pizza Bianca (Fastnet Rock), who he sold for a cool $3 million to John Stewart at Fasig-Tipton in 2023. He subsequently purchased her back in a private deal.

In Europe, his Group 3-placed Go Go Boots (Night Of Thunder), who was trained by John and Thady Gosden, ran in last year's Oaks before being shipped to America. He also has horses in training with Donnacha O'Brien in Ireland.

On his Book 1 purchase, Flay continued, "Here's the thing: Blue Point is one of the hottest sires in the world right now, right? So, when you have a filly from a family like this and who looks like she does, you have to pay for them. It's like buying a piece of real estate that's in a great location. With all good intentions here, she will go to Andrew, try to get some black-type and hopefully stay in my family for generations. I mean, who knows, maybe my daughter will be breeding out of her in years to come. For me, that would be the dream. I want to keep this horse for the rest of her life."

He concluded, "As well as Andrew, we have horses with John and Thady Gosden, who have been so good to me, and a couple with Donnacha O'Brien in Ireland. I am definitely growing my European operation and I try to keep it equal with the United States. We probably have roughly 10 on either side of the pond and I want to keep it to that number. That way, we can keep it as a boutique operation."

Ace in the Hand for Cheveley Park Stud

Richard Thompson and his mother Patricia of Cheveley Park Stud have had no end of success with homebred fillies, and have enjoyed Group 1 success this year with Estrange (Night Of Thunder), who was a Book 1 purchase four years ago.

The Thompsons, who added three well-bred fillies to the fold on Tuesday, were the third-leading buyers of the session after Godolphin and Blandford Bloodstock, with their purchases led by lot 152, a filly from the first crop of Ace Impact bought for 750,000gns.

"We're always looking for well-bred fillies if we can just freshen things up," said Richard Thompson. "Chris [Richardson] and the team are always looking around and today we've identified three that we've been able to buy. That's great news for the stud and a big part of keeping things moving for the future."

The unbeaten Arc winner Ace Impact had five yearlings sold on Tuesday for an average of 242,800gns, making him the leading freshman sire of the sale so far. Lot 152, offered by Barton Stud, had been pinhooked as a foal by Alex Elliott for €220,000 at Goffs and held particular appeal with a deep family behind her. She is a half-sister to the G1 Grand Prix de Paris winner and young Haras d'Etreham stallion Onesto (Frankel), their Juddmonte-bred dam Onshore (Sea The Stars) being out of an unraced sister to the celebrated matriarch Hasili (Kahyasi).

Thompson added, "We love the family and she's by an unbeaten Arc winner who was a great horse. So, fingers crossed, he'll work out as a decent stallion, but we just love the way she moved, and the family is very strong. That's what we want at Cheveley Park Stud."

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• Number Offered	135	159
• Number Sold	115	125
• Not Sold	20	34
• Clearance Rate	85%	79%
• No. 500K+	24	21
• High Price	4,600,000gns	3,700,000gns
• Gross	46,778,000gns (+16%)	40,419,000gns
• Average (% change)	406,765gns (+26%)	323,352gns
• Median (% change)	240,000gns (+14%)	210,000gns



TATTERSALLS OCTOBER YEARLING SALE BOOK 1 DAY 1 TOP COLTS

Lot **Sire|Dam** **Price (gns)**

130 Night Of Thunder (Ire)--My Astra (Ire) **4,600,000**
Bred by Sunderland Holding, Inc. (Ire)
Consigned by Norelands
Purchased by Godolphin

87 Wootton Bassett (GB)--Loch Lein (Ire) **3,800,000**
Bred by Epona Bloodstock, Ltd. (Ire)
Consigned by Croom House Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

27 Frankel (GB)--Get Ahead (GB) **1,800,000**
Bred by First Bloodstock, Ltd. (GB)
Consigned by Hillwood Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

103 Ghaiyyath (Ire)--Maria Christina (Ire) **1,300,000**
(€200,000 Wlg '25 GOFNOV)
Bred by South House Stud (Ire)
Consigned by Yeomanstown Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

153 Sea The Stars (Ire)--Oriental Magic (Ger) **800,000**
Bred by Kildaragh Stud (Ire)
Consigned by Kildaragh Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

128 Frankel (GB)--Muskoka (Ger) **650,000**
Bred by Yulong Investments (GB)
Consigned by Baroda Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

132 Too Darn Hot (GB)--My Titania (Ire) **625,000**
Bred by Sunderland Holding, Inc. (Ire)
Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment
Purchased by Rabbah Bloodstock

54 Wootton Bassett (GB)--Jouska (GB) **600,000**
Bred by Roundhill Stud (Ire)
Consigned by Herbertstown House Stud
Purchased by Jason Kelly Bloodstock/Bond Thoroughbred/ Christopher Head

151 Wootton Bassett (GB)--One Spirit (Ire) **600,000**
Bred by One Spirit Syndicate (Ire)
Consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment
Purchased by MV Magnier & White Birch Farm

31 Too Darn Hot (GB)--Gloryette (GB) **500,000**
Bred by Lofts Hall Stud (GB)
Consigned by WH Bloodstock
Purchased by Godolphin

129 Wootton Bassett (GB)--Mutamakina (GB) **500,000**
Bred by Al Shira'aa Racing, Ltd. (GB)
Consigned by Baroda Stud
Purchased by Jason Kelly/Bond Thoroughbred/Paddy Twomey

TOP FILLIES

Lot **Sire|Dam** **Price (gns)**

141 Wootton Bassett (GB)--No Speak Alexander (Ire) **2,600,000**
Bred by S.D.C.L. & Alexander Bloodstock (Ire)
Consigned by Mountarmstrong Stud
Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock

40 Blue Point (Ire)--Holly Golightly (Ire) **1,100,000**
Bred by T. Stewart (Ire)
Consigned by Ballyhimikin Stud
Purchased by Godolphin

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82 Blue Point (Ire)--Light The Stars (Ire) **825,000**
Bred by Loughtown Stud (Ire)
Consigned by Loughtown Stud
Purchased by B Flay Thoroughbreds

47 Sea The Stars (Ire)--Incharge (GB) **750,000**
Bred by Brightwalton Stud & Sunderland Holding, Inc. (GB)
Consigned by Barton Stud
Purchased by Cheveley Park Stud

152 Ace Impact (Ire)--Onshore (GB) **750,000**
(€220,000 Wlg '25 GOFNOV)
Bred by Diamond Creek Farm (Ire)
Consigned by Barton Stud
Purchased by Cheveley Park Stud

38 Night Of Thunder (Ire)--Her Honour (Ire) **700,000**
(€725,000 i/u '24 GOFNOV)
Bred by The Imperium Syndicate (Ire)
Consigned by Baroda Stud
Purchased by JS Bloodstock/G Scott Racing

41 Sea The Stars (Ire)--Holy Amaretta (Ire) **700,000**
Bred by Sunderland Holding, Inc. (Ire)
Consigned by Norelands
Purchased by Durcan/Lanigan agent for Heider Family Stables

85 New Bay (GB)--Livia's Dream (Ire) **650,000**
(€650,000 Wlg '25 GOFNOV)
Bred by Y. Y. Fill (Ire)
Consigned by Stauffenberg Bloodstock
Purchased by One Agency

126 Siyouni (Fr)--Muhawalah (Ire) **575,000**
Bred by Barronstown Stud (Ire)
Consigned by Ashton House Stud
Purchased by Rabbah Bloodstock

109 Wootton Bassett (GB)--Mean Machine (Ire) **550,000**
(230,000gns i/u '24 TATDEC)
Bred by Fittocks Stud (GB)
Consigned by Fittocks Stud
Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock

146 Wootton Bassett (GB)--Often (Ire) **550,000**
Bred by Clarecastle Stud, Ltd. (Ire)
Consigned by Clare Castle Stud
Purchased by Cary Bloodstock for Wells Watson

154 No Nay Never--Ottilien (Fr) **550,000**
Bred by B Flay Thoroughbreds, Inc. (GB)
Consigned by Hazelwood Bloodstock
Purchased by Abdulla Ali Althani

101 Frankel (GB)--Manuela De Vega (Ire) **500,000**
Bred by Stone Roses Bloodstock (GB)
Consigned by Hillwood Stud
Purchased by Richard Knight/Salhia Stud

Words To Live By Cont. from p1

TDN: Outside of your family, who has been the most important mentor or influence on your career, and why?

Mark Johnston: Our business partner from 1988-2000, Brian Palmer. Brian owned our first winner, Hinari Video, and was full of enthusiasm for getting into the horseracing industry.

He told me that he couldn't make me a better horse trainer than I was going to be, but he would move me on 10 years, and I think he did. He taught me how to run, develop and grow the business.

TDN: What is the best piece of advice you've ever received, and who gave it to you?

MJ: Ironically, considering my answer to question one, it was, "You need to force a buyout."

It came from an owner, Ian Harland, who could see that the company was growing much faster than our personal wealth and that any exit from our partnership with the Palmers would become more and more difficult. **Cont. p12**



Mark Johnston | *Tattersalls*

RECIPE FOR SUCCESS



Lot: 2
B Colt Too Darn Hot / Farzeen
Consignor: **Meon Valley Stud**
Price: 380,000 gns

Lot: 101 (bottom left)
B Filly Frankel / Manuela de Vega
Consignor: **Hillwood Stud**
Price: 500,000 gns

Lot: 123 (bottom right)
B Colt Sea The Stars / Moon de Vega
Consignor: **Longview Stud**
Price: 400,000 gns





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Words To Live By Cont.

MJ Cont.: Ian negotiated the buyout and we had a couple of years when our relationship with Brian and Val went a bit "cool," but we were soon best of friends again and there were no hard feelings. We have holidayed with them many times and try to see each other at least once a month.

TDN: What advice would you give to a young person starting out in the racing or bloodstock industry today?

MJ: I think it very much depends on the individual and the area of the racing or bloodstock industry that they intend to enter but, as we are talking about young people, I think they should look very carefully at where the racing industry might be in 20-30 years from now.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

TIMEFORM: DARYZ BELOW LAST YEAR'S FORM IN DEFENDING ARC CROWN



Daryz made it consecutive victories in the Arc | *Alamy*

Daryz (Sea The Stars) didn't have to run to the same level as 12 months ago to land his second consecutive win in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, according to the ratings experts at Timeform.

Achieving a rating of 130 in 2025, when he narrowly edged out Minnie Hauk (Frankel), the son of Sea The Stars ran to a rating of 128 this year in what was a tactical affair.

This year's rating is 5lb below Enable's first Arc victory in 2017 and 6lb below Treve's first victory in 2013. Both horses went on to land consecutive victories in the race.

Daryz is the first colt since Alleged to win back-to-back Arcs, but his victories rate some way below that of the Vincent O'Brien-trained star, with Alleged achieving ratings of 137 and 138 for his wins in 1977 and 1978.

Timeform's senior analyst Kieran Clark said, "Daryz became the first colt since Alleged to win back-to-back Arcs. It was nearly 50 years in the making, but he didn't have to improve on his rating from last year to take out this year's renewal.

"Alleged was rated 137 and 138 with Timeform for his two wins in the Arc, and looking at Arc winners this century, we have 14 horses running to 130 plus, including Daryz last year.

"Daryz is rated 128 this time due to it being a bit of a tactical race, but he still won with a fair amount in hand.

"For the best performances this century in the Arc you have to go right to the start of it. We have Sakhee on 135 and Sinndar on 134, but the best Arc performance since 1970 came in 1971 with the outstanding Mill Reef running to 141.

"Hopefully, Daryz is back for another crack at it next year when he tries to become the first-ever three-time winner, and the geldings will be there to take him on as well."

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NO QUESTIONS ASKED LEADS GOFFS OCTOBER HIT AND YEARLING SALE



No Questions Asked | *Goffs*

Grade 2-winning chaser **No Questions Asked** is one of the highlights of the Goffs October HIT & Yearling Sale catalogue at Doncaster, held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 20. The son of Ask is trained by Ben Pauling.

Other NH horses of note include Olly Murphy's **Little Ledgend** (Yeats) (lot 48) unbeaten in two chase starts; Dan Skelton's September maiden hurdle winner **Depalma** (Ocovango) (lot 50); and Jamie Snowden's four-time 2026 chase winner **Move With The Beat** (Doyen) (lot 56). Cont. p13

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Flat horses featured include last-out winners **Farabove The Limit** (Far Above) (lot 34) and **Lauralynn** (Inns Of Court) (lot 33).

The sale will also feature a session of 19 yearlings with entries by Calyx, Caturra, Dartmouth, Dream Ahead, El Caballo, Harry Angel, Kameko, Lope Y Fernandez, Mutasaabeq, Pinatubo, Sergei Prokofiev, Soldier's Call, Triple Time, Ubettabelieveit and Washington DC.

Goffs UK managing director Tim Kent said, "No Questions Asked has developed into a quality chaser and it's great to have a horse of his calibre in the catalogue. The sale will also offer a good number of horses that bring winning form or have shown early promise – particularly in their chasing careers.

"The sale will commence with a session of 19 yearlings, and this small session has Group 1 history, having produced Prix de l'Abbaye winner Mabs Cross. Doncaster yearling sales produced four Group 1 winners last season and have yielded another two in 2026 to date: the outstanding two-year-old Sun Goddess and the weekend's G1 Prix de l'Abbaye winner Miss Yechance (Cotai Glory).

"We are taking supplementary entries, which will be released online in the build-up to the sale, and we look forward to welcoming everyone to Doncaster on Tuesday, 20 October."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, October 7, 2026:

UNITED KINGDOM

Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
85 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners
13:29-NOTTINGHAM, 6f, **Castlerock Girl (Ire)**
65,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025

Blackbeard (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud
116 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
18:00-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Inmyopinion (GB)**
7,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025;
16,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2026

Caturra (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Overbury Stud
68 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
18:00-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Forever Faithfull (GB)**
17,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; 30,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025

Stradivarius (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), The National Stud
76 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
14:59-NOTTINGHAM, 10.25f, **Northern Viola (GB)**

FRANCE

Marianafoot (Fr) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), Haras des Faunes
29 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
6-MAR.P VIVAUX, 1500m, **Body Physical (Fr)**

Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
71 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner
3-CHANTILLY, 1400m, **Strong Crown (Ire)**

Sealiway (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), Haras de Beaumont
92 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
2-CHANTILLY, 1400m, **Wild True (Fr)**
6-MAR.P VIVAUX, 1500m, **Binotto (Fr)**
3-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, **Corbusier (Fr)**
3-MAR.P VIVAUX, 2000m, **Kandors (Fr)**
€13,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2025

IRELAND

Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
85 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners
1-NAVAN, 5.75f, **Violet Dove (Ire)**
€30,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025

Caturra (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Overbury Stud
68 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
1-NAVAN, 5.75f, **Catuai (GB)**
60,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025



Flightline has a runner in Ireland | *Sarah Andrew*

Flightline (Tapit), Lane's End Farm
124 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
5-NAVAN, 8.25f, **Magna Cum Laude**
$950,000 Keeneland Association September Yearling Sale 2025

Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
71 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner
3-NAVAN, 5.75f, **Celestial Crown (Ire)**
€60,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025

OBSERVATIONS
on the European racing scene

JESUS GREEN LOOKS TO LOSE HIS MAIDEN TAG AT NAVAN

3.45 Navan, Mdn, 2yo, 8f 40yT

Boasting the strongest maiden form in Europe, **JESUS GREEN (Ghaiyyath)** heads to Navan on Wednesday for that all-important confidence-boosting first win.

Second to one his generation leaders Darkness Falls in last month's Golden Fleece Stakes newly promoted to Group 1 status, Chris So Chun Hung's 100,000gns Tattersalls October Book 2 purchase who is a relative of this year's Richmond Stakes winner and Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere third Man's Best Friend had the likes of Quest For Stars and Nola Soul behind and would only need a repeat of that performance to collect here.

Among the other experienced members of the field are Ballydoyle's duo **Aachen (Gun Runner)** and **Magna Cum Laude (Flightline)**, both of whom have not been seen since finishing third and 10th on debut at Dundalk in August. The former is a son of the Ingabelle Stakes winner Monday (Fastnet Rock) from the family of the high-class Misty For Me (Galileo), her War Front-sired son and daughter U S Navy Flag and Roly Poly and last year's Lagardere and Criterium International hero Puerto Rico, while Coolmore, Westerberg, Brant, Smith and St Elias's $950,000 Keeneland September purchase Magna Cum Laude is a half-brother to the Los Alamitos Futurity runner-up Blacksmith (Liam's Map) out of a full-sister to Curlin's San Carlos Stakes winner Cezanne and half to the Falmouth third Arabian Hope (Distorted Humor).

Others of note include Marc Chan's homebred **Selosse (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr})**, a Jessica Harrington-trained half-brother to the 2024 Golden Fleece winner Green Impact who was fifth to Monogram at The Curragh last month; and the Ballydoyle newcomer **Choctaw Nation (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire})**, a son of the Listed-placed Sistine Madonna (Dark Angel) who is a full-sister to the useful San Andreas and Maggies Angel. Intriguingly, Wayne Lordan rides him in preference to the experienced runners.

1.29 Nottingham, Novice, 2yo, f, 6f 18yT

Lady Bamford's silks were carried to TDN Rising Stardom by Claudette at Yarmouth on Monday and they are on display again at Nottingham on Wednesday with the 1.1million guineas Tattersalls October Book 1 graduate **VENETIAN STORM (GB) (Night Of Thunder {Ire})** flying the flag.

A half-sister to the Prix de l'Abbaye heroine Makarova (Acclamation), the Ed Walker trainee is opposed by seven rivals on debut including the Richard Hannon-trained **Spell Catcher (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})**, whose dam is a full-sister to the dual Group-winning Belmont Derby third Hunting Horn (Camelot). Her dam is also a half-sister to the Beresford and Rose Of Lancaster winner and Vincent O'Brien National Stakes third David Livingston (Galileo).

2.29 Nottingham, Novice, 2yo, 8f 75yT

Quantum Leap Racing's **PRINCE OF PETRA (IRE) (Persian King {Ire})** was knocked down to Jeremy Brummitt for what now appears a bargain €65,000 at last year's Arqana Deauville August Sale, just under three weeks before his half-brother Maltese Cross (Sea The Stars) debuted at Ascot.

Maltese Cross has since gone on to hit heights in the Grand Prix de Paris and finish runner-up in the Derby, so Prince Of Petra suddenly has a lot to live up to as he starts out for Roger Varian. Among the four rivals he faces in this race which celebrates the Derby hero Oath are The King and The Queen's fellow newcomer **Top Scholar (GB) (Frankel {GB})**, a full-brother to the September Stakes third Warrant Holder and kin to the Stakes-placed Portfolio (Deep Impact), herself the dam of Frankel's Bahrain Trophy winner Point Of Law.

Other contenders include Juddmonte's once-raced **Caldo (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire})**, an Andrew Balding-trained grandson of the Beverly D. and Matriarch heroine Heat Haze (Green Desert); and Julian Richmond-Watson's once-raced **Gainful (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire})**, a granddaughter of the Oaks heroine Look Here (Hernando) trained like her by Ralph Beckett.

5.30 Kempton, Novice, 2yo, 7f (AWT)

Juddmonte's family of Reams Of Verse and Elmaamul keeps supplying the goods and the two-year-old colt **FENAROLI (GB) (Frankel {GB})** is the latest to emerge from the dynasty at Kempton on Wednesday.

Trained by Harry Charlton, the newcomer is a half-brother to Dansili's multiple Graded-Stakes scorer and Arlington Million hero Set Piece who also started out at this track back in 2018.

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Another high-class runner from the family is Midday (Oasis Dream), whose talented half-sister Sun Maiden by Frankel was Group 1-placed while Midday's daughter of the operation's giant, Mori, was placed in the Ribblesdale.

Fenaroli faces some peers with strong form already in the Teme Valley colour-bearer **Byzantine (Ire) (St Mark's Basilica {Fr})**, a George Boughey-trained colt who has not been seen since winning on debut at Yarmouth in May; and the Hugo Palmer-trained Newmarket runner-up **Twelve Bars (Ire) (Space Blues {Ire})**, while The King and The Queen's **Lancaster Tower (GB) (Kingman {GB})** is surely better than he has shown in two starts for the Gosdens so far. A son of the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Castle Lady (Shamardal), he attracted support at both Sandown and York and his three-year-old half-brother Portcullis (Frankel) is one of this year's TDN Rising Star brigade.

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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Leicester, £10,000, Nov, 10-6, 2yo, 5fT, :59.31, g/f.

WOODVALE (GB) (c, 2, Mayson {GB}--Bruni Heinke {Ire}, by Dutch Art {GB}), who incurred a four-pound penalty for posting a Sept. 16 debut win over this trip at Beverley last time, was the slowest of five into stride and raced in rear initially. Taking closer order at halfway, the 4-5 chalk eased to the fore approaching the furlong pole and was ridden out to comfortably account for Time Teller (Kodiac) by 1 1/2 lengths.

Woodvale is the latest of nine foals and one of four scorers produced by a full-sister to G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest-winning sire Garswood (Dutch Art).

His dam Bruni Heinke (Dutch Art) is also kin to G2 Debutante Stakes third Zagitova (Galileo), herself the dam of dual stakes-winning G1 Criterium International placegetter Portland (Dubawi) and stakes-winning G3 Jannah Rose Stakes third Cameo (Wootton Bassett).

The winner is a full-brother to G2 Temple Stakes runner-up Ainsdale and kin to the dam of last year's G3 Prix Imprudence runner-up Ghoufrann (Oasis Dream). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, $12,963.

O-David W Armstrong; B-Highfield Farm LLP; T-James Tate.

4th-Southwell, £12,000, Mdn, 10-6, 2yo, 7f 15y (AWT), 1:27.71, st.

ENGRAVED (GB) (c, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Dawn Horizons {GB}, by New Approach {Ire}), who disappointed when beating only one rival in Doncaster's Flying Scotsman Stakes last month, raced under cover in mid-pack throughout the early stages. Working his way to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 11-4 second favourite held on to prevail by a short head from Geometry (Kodiac).

The dam, who is responsible for the Listed winner and Prix de Malleret runner-up Crack Of Light (Kingman), is out of the Cheshire Oaks winner and Prix de Pomone and Lancashire Oaks runner-up Hidden Hope (Daylami) who also produced the Ribblesdale winner and Oaks third Frankly Darling (Frankel). The Oppenheimer family of the Coronation Stakes heroine Rebecca Sharp (Machiavellian) and luminary Golden Horn also includes this year's Ribblesdale winner Earth Shot (Time Test) and last year's Ballston Spa Stakes winner Ozara (Lope De Vega).

Her yearling daughter of Baaeed sells during Thursday's session of Tattersalls October Book 1, while she also has a colt foal by New Bay. Sales history: 140,000gns RNA Ylg '25 TATOCT; 200,000gns 2yo '26 TATBRE. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $13,021.

O-Wong Chung Mat; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd; T-James Fanshawe.

2nd-Brighton, £10,000, Mdn, 10-6, 2yo, 7f 216yT, 1:36.56, g/f.

TOUGH DECISION (GB) (c, 2, Universal {Ire}--Fast Spin, by Hard Spun) raced in mid-division through the early fractions of this debut. Coming under pressure approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 7-2 chance quickened to challenge with 150 yards remaining and kept on strongly to deny Queens Bandit (Lope Y Fernandez) by 3/4-of-a-length nearing the line.

Tough Decision is the second foals and scorer out of a dual-winning half-sister to the Listed-placed duo Lazzaro (Mastercraftsman) and La Spezia (Time Test)

His second dam is the Group 3-winning G1 Premio Lydia Tesio runner-up Lacy (Authorized), herself a half-sister to the dual Group 3 winner Langtang (Campanologist)

The winner is full to a yearling colt and kin to a weanling filly by Good Effort. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $7,141.

O-Abdulla Al Mansoori; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd; T-Tom Clover.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Rosiliane (Ire), f, 2, **Minzaal (Ire)**--Fou Rire (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). Southwell, 10-6, 7f 15y (AWT), 1:28.19. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, $9,247. B-Atacama Bloodstock & Beshelstown Trading. *€15,000 Ylg '25 TATIRY.

Trispen (GB), f, 2, **Without Parole (GB)**--Lady Sylvia (GB), by Haafhd (GB). Leicester, 10-6, 8f 53yT, 1:45.15. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, $7,855. B-David J Keast.

FRANCE

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Lyon-Parilly, €21,000, Mdn, 10-6, 2yo, c/g, 8fT, 1:40.00, sf. **ADOMATO (GB) (c, 2, Zarak {Fr}--See The Rose {Ire} {GSW-Fr}, by Kendargent {Fr})** raced off the pace in sixth through halfway in this debut. Rowed along rounding the home turn, the 2-1 pick challenged on the outside with 300 metres remaining and was ridden out inside the final furlong to prevail by 3/4-of-a-length from Elmo Putney (Saxon Warrior).

Adomato is the first of three foals out of G3 Prix Six Perfections victrix See The Rose (Kendargent), herself a full-sister to Listed Prix Francois Boutin winner Xaarino and G3 Prix de Cabourg third Mont Kiara. See The Rose, a daughter of Listed Criterium de l'Ouest and Listed Criterium du Languedoc third Xaarienne (Xaar), is also a half-sister to G1 Prix Marcel Boussac runner-up Rose Bloom (Lope De Vega).

The winner is kin to a yearling filly by Frankel and a weanling colt by Lope De Vega. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €10,500.
O/B-Denford Stud; T-Francis-Henri Graffard.

3rd-Lyon-Parilly, €21,000, Mdn, 10-6, 2yo, f, 8fT, 1:40.90, sf. **BEMARA (FR) (c, 2, Showcasing {GB}--Berehynia {GB}, by New Approach {Ire})**, a Sept. 18 debut fifth tacking 7 1/2 furlongs at Saint-Cloud last time, tracked the leaders in a handy fourth after an alert getaway in this return. Slipping to fifth at halfway, the 27-10 second favourite made stealthy headway out wide in the straight to lead approaching the final furlong and kept on well to defeat Tokyo Dreams (Wootton Bassett) by a length.

Bemara, whose fourth dam is multiple Group/Grade 1-winning European champion Banks Hill (Danehill), is the first foal out of a sibling of G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere hero Belbek (Showcasing). The winner's weanling half-sister by Charyn died this year.
Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €12,328.
O-Nurlan Bizakov; B-Sumbe; T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Lyon-Parilly, €20,100, Cond, 10-6, 3yo, 11fT, 2:22.61, sf. **SHANOUR (FR) (c, 3, Medaglia D'Oro--Shalamba {Ire} {GSP-Ity & MSP-Fr}, by Zoffany {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, €34,434.
O/B-Aga Khan Studs; T-Mikel Delzangles.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Charmye (Fr), f, 3, **Charm Spirit (Ire)**--Je Coiffe (Fr), by Voix Du Nord (Fr). Lyon-Parilly, 10-6, 8fT, 1:42.50. B-Sylvain Wuillaume.

Soda Zabeel (Fr), f, 3, **Sea The Stars (Ire)**--Waikika (Fr) (G1SW-Ity, SW & MGSP-Fr), by Whipper. Lyon-Parilly, 10-6, 10fT, 2:13.53. B-Philippe Bellaiche, Yann Barberot & Sunderland Holding Inc. *€160,000 Ylg '24 ARQAUG.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

KA YING RISING 'NOT EXCITING' IN BARRIER TRIAL AHEAD OF THE EVEREST DEFENCE



Ka Ying Rising, left, trials at Randwick on Tuesday morning | *HKJC*

Ka Ying Rising (Shamexpress) continued his preparation for the G1 The Everest with a barrier trial over 1,000 metres at Randwick on Tuesday, with trainer David Hayes admitting afterwards that he had "seen him trial better".

Nine-time Group 1 winner Ka Ying Rising--who currently leads the LONGINES World's Best Racehorse Rankings on 135--went straight to the lead under regular rider Zac Purton and remained at the head of the pack entering the home turn.

Under restraint, Ka Ying Rising went stride for stride with Ninja, before the latter edged to the line narrowly in front under Tommy Berry, ultimately passing the post a neck ahead of Ka Ying Rising in a final time of 59.46s.

"Better than last year, but I have seen him trial better," Hayes said of the exercise, with Ka Ying Rising having taken part in a similar trial before his victory in the 2025 edition of The Everest.

"He didn't change legs. That's always an indicator he's going pretty easy. When Zac puts him under a bit of pressure, he changes legs and finds a lot. It's a pass mark today - but not exciting.

"It is a trial and we don't screw him down for the trial. He will be screwed down a lot more for the race coming up. Just watch last year's trial and watch the race. He's a little bit better this year in the trial and [he'll be] a little bit better, hopefully, in the race." **Cont. p17**

Ka Ying Rising Cont.

He added, "The trial was probably run four seconds slower than race tempo. Zac was ambling into the straight. He won't be doing that in the race--he'll be letting rip. He's 30 pounds bigger than he was this time last year. I think bigger is better."

It's now less than two weeks until Ka Ying Rising attempts to defend his title in The Everest, which takes place at Randwick on Saturday, October 17 and is worth A$20 million (approx. £10.5 million).

The six-year-old will line up as the winner of his last 21 starts, with Purton describing the challenge ahead of him as "the strongest sprint race on the calendar".

The jockey added of Tuesday's trial, "He certainly needed the hit-out. He pulled up having a bigger blow than what he did from his race recently. It gets him back into the routine, gets him familiar with what's going on here. We saw last year how much that helped him on race day and I think it will do the same.

"I'd prefer him to be on top of the ground. He likes it when it's a hard and fast deck. As we've seen in the trial--and the trial last year--he seems to labour in the softer ground. Let's hope the sun comes out and stays out.

"It's going to be a strong race. People have been downplaying it and saying there's not much there, but history tells us it's the strongest sprint race on the calendar."

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ASIA

Tuesday's Result:

LADIES PRELUDE-Listed (Jpn-G2), ¥68,000,000, Oi, 10-6, 3yo/up, f, 1800m, 1:51.60, gd.

1--**MEMORIA CAFÉ (JPN), 123, f, 4, Nadal**
1st Dam: Lumiere Café (Jpn), by Manhattan Café (Jpn)
2nd Dam: Fancy Café (Jpn), by Precious Café (Jpn)
3rd Dam: Fancy Orange (Jpn), by Mining
O-Koichi Nishikawa; B-Mishima Bokujo (Jpn); T-Masatoshi Tsukazaki; J-Christophe Lemaire; ¥40,000,000. Lifetime Record: 9-6-2-1, ¥177,600,003.

2--**Reina de Arcilla (Jpn)**, 121, f, 4, Nadal--Andes Queen (Jpn), by Turtle Bowl (Ire). O-Green Farm; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥14,000,000.

3--**Tenka Jo (Jpn)**, 123, m, 5, Thunder Snow (Ire)--Fiorello (Jpn), by Empire Maker. O-Takao Kawauchi; B-Kineusu Farm (Jpn); ¥8,000,000.

Margins: 3HF, 3/4, HD. Odds: 2.90, 13.50, 5.70.

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Tattersalls October Yearling Sale
Book 1 - Day 2

Lot	Sex	Pedigree	Price	Previous Sale	Buyer
160	C	Blue Point x Pardoven	260,000	TADEF	Maynard Thoroughbreds
163	F	Shaquille x Parlour Palm	115,000	TADEF	JC BS
164	F	No Nay Never x Particule	100,000	ARDEC	MAB Agency
165	C	Dragon Symbol x Passefontaine	42,000	TADEF	Clifton Farm
170	F	Kodiac x Phases of Venus	35,000	TADEF	Sceptre BS
176	C	Erevann x Pocket of Stars	46,000	ARDEC	XF BS
177	C	New Bay x Port Sunlight	70,000	GONO1	JC BS
181	F	Mehmas x Pretty Sweet	200,000	GONO1	Pat McCarthy / J Young
183	C	Night of Thunder x Princess Highway	410,000	GONO1	Ace Stud
187	C	Native Trail x Pure Art	150,000	GONO1	Coolmara Stables
191	C	Chaldean x Puzzled	65,000	TADEF	Barry Lynch (P.S.)
192	C	Hello Youmzain x Qoya	32,000	TADEF	Vendor
195	C	Shaquille x Queen Jo Jo	190,000	TADEF	Ballyphilip Stud
199	F	Lope de Vega x Quickstep Girl	310,000	GONO1	Stauffenberg BS
213	F	Good Guess x Rio Festival	50,000	GONO1	JODK BS
216	C	Shaquille x Ronja	125,000	TADEF	Camas Park Stud
220	F	Havana Grey x Roxie Lot	200,000	TADEF	Newsells Park Stud
224	F	Native Trail x Sa Mola	50,000	GONO1	Peter Nolan Equine
227	C	Palace Pier x Sailing	130,000	TADEF	JP BS
231	C	Havana Grey x Satsuma	170,000	TADEF	Yeomanstown Stud
232	F	Night of Thunder x Sea Is Gold	260,000	TADEF	Blandford BS
236	F	Sea The Moon x Septimo Cielo	30,000	TADEF	S K BS
242	F	Palace Pier x Shurakaa	50,000	TADEF	RC BS
245	C	Ghaiyyath x Sioux Love	68,000	TADEF	JC BS
248	F	Sioux Nation x Sky Lake	50,000	GONO1	Jack BS
249	C	Paddington x Smart Cookie	200,000	TADEF	Camas Park Stud
257	F	Australia x Spring Garden	35,000	TADEF	Vendor
258	F	Dragon Symbol x Star Map	44,000	TADEF	DR BS

259	F	Lope de Vega x Stars Are Born	275,000	TADEF	Ozark Thoroughbreds
262	F	Native Trail x Stella d'Italia	150,000	TADEF	Matt Houldsworth
263	C	Havana Grey x Stellarta	130,000	TADEF	Ballyhimikin Stud / McKeever BS (P.S.)
265	C	Mehmas x Style Beauty	115,000	TADEF	SJ BS
269	C	Chaldean x Surcingle	95,000	TADEF	Jamie Piggott BS
271	C	Kingman x Surprisingly	155,000	TADEF	Auburn BS
279	F	Camelot x Switzer	105,000	GONO1	Goodwill BS
281	F	Farhh x Tajriba	160,000	TADEF	Otilia BS
284	C	Camelot x Techno Music	240,000	TADEF	JC BS
290	C	Make Believe x The Sky Is Blazing	60,000	TINOF	Apollo BS / Ben Hensey
293	C	Lope de Vega x Thoughts of June	290,000	GONO1	Abbeylands Farm
298	C	Blue Point x Tippy Toes	250,000	TADEF	Vista BS
304	F	Chaldean x Valuta Pregiata	65,000	TADEF	Hegarty BS
306	C	Good Guess x Veiled Intrigue	37,000	GONO1	Peter Nolan Equine
311	C	Ghaiyyath x Virtual Dream	125,000	TADEF	Kelly Equine

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