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TIP TOP THOMAS TOPS KEENELAND NOV. HORSES OF RACING AGE SALE



Tip Top Thomas | *Keeneland*

by Steve Sherack

Tip Top Thomas (Volatile), winner of last year's GIII Indiana Derby and runner-up in the previous term's GI Champagne S., brought $460,000 from Blandford Bloodstock to top Thursday's Keeneland November Horses of Racing Age Sale.

Keeneland sold a total of 84 horses for $7,798,000, for an average of $92,834 and a median of $52,500. Compared to the 2025 sale--topped by the $1.3-million KAS Stables purchase and subsequent three-time graded winner Bishops Bay (Uncle Mo)--the gross declined 25.41% from 10,455,000, and the average dipped 4.10%. The median jumped 31.25% from $40,000.

From 87 head offered, all but one horse found a buyer. Two additional horses that did not meet their reserves through the ring were successfully sold post-sale.

"There is a real appetite for racehorses in the market right now, and the clearance rate is a clear reflection of that demand," Keeneland Vice President of Sales Tony Lacy said. "As owners and trainers look ahead to a new racing season, there is an opportunity to add new talent, strengthen their stables and find horses that fit their plans. This sale is well-positioned to meet that demand by giving buyers a chance to make those additions and sellers an opportunity to connect with an active audience." **Cont. Pg. 3**

BELOVED CARTOONIST PIERRE `PEB' BELLOCQ PASSES AWAY AT 99 *by Bill Finley*

Pierre E. Bellocq, best known to his fans and readers of the *Morning Telegraph* and *Daily Racing Form* as Peb, passed away early Thursday morning at the Princeton, New Jersey Medical Center after a brief illness, just 13 days shy of his 100th birthday.

Bellocq was born in Bedenac, France on November 25, 1926. His father, Hilaire, was a steeplechase jockey; his grandfather was a trainer and his great-grandfather was a breeder. But Peb's gift was cartooning and he dabbled in drawing as a young child before taking it up as a profession in 1945.

Even under Nazi rule, racing continued around Paris, and Bellocq documented it both with his sketchbook and his camera. Nearly 80 years later, he shared a photograph he had taken during the occupation at Maisons-Laffitte racecourse showing his brother Louis, a leading jockey at the time, returning after a race with two uniformed German officers standing among the French crowd in the background. **Cont. Pg. 5**

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BIRDMAN FLIES HIGH TO DELIGHT OF DEVOTED BREEDER CRISTINA PATINO

Emma Berry speaks with Patrick Cooper, adviser to Cristina Patino, who bred Saturday's G1 Champion Stakes winner **Birdman** (Free Eagle).



Peb and Remi in Peb's studio in 2025
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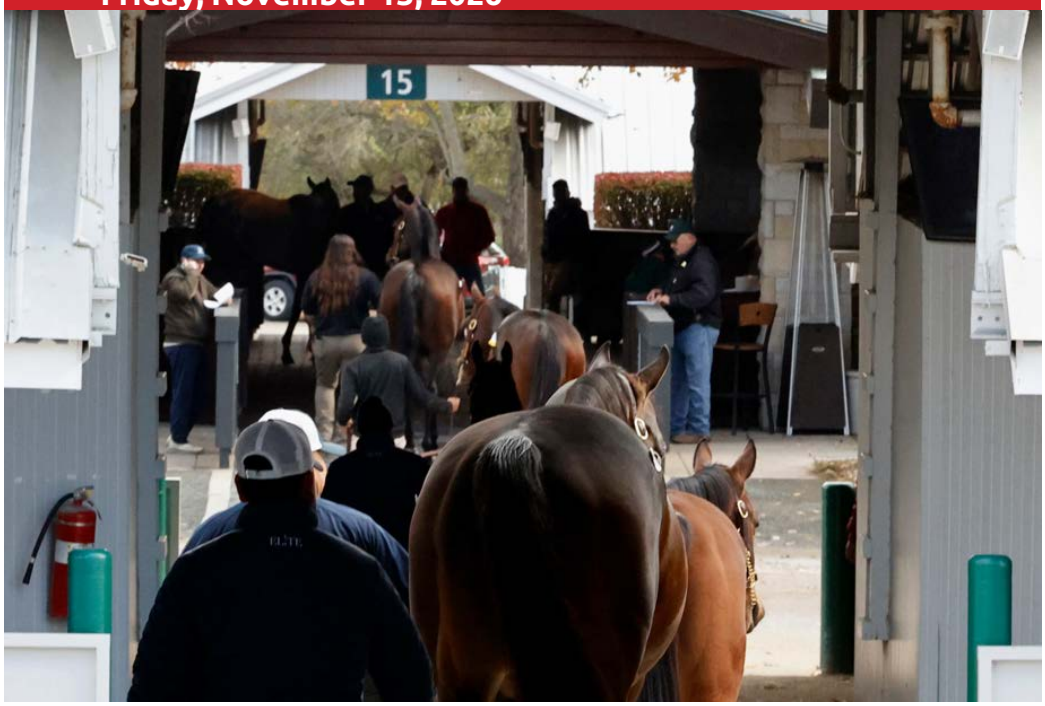
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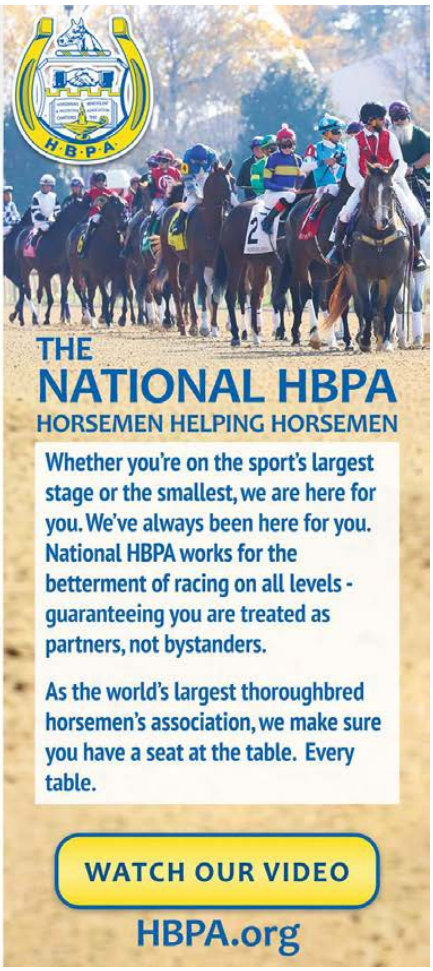


THE FRIDAY CARTOON
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The 4-year-old Tip Top Thomas, a $160,000 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Fall yearling graduate previously campaigned in partnership by James Bakke and Gerald Isbister and trained by Todd Pletcher, will continue his racing career in Dubai. He was runner-up in an optional claimer at Belmont Park last out Oct. 4.

Tip Top Thomas earned 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' honors following a game 2-year-old debut victory on Travers Day at Saratoga in 2024. The field that day included last year's Horse of the Year and this year's brilliant GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Sovereignty (Into Mischief), who finished fourth on debut.

A half-brother to multiple stakes winner Gray Attempt (Graydar), Tip Top Thomas is out of the winning Consolidator mare Attempt to Name.

"He will go to Dubai for the Carnival races (at Meydan)," Stuart Boman of Blandford Bloodstock said. "This is for an existing client, who I usually buy for in Europe. We decided to come to America to try to buy some dirt horses. (Tip Top Thomas) is a quick horse with good gate speed. He is lightly raced with a big future ahead of him. Americans lead the way in breeding dirt horses. A lot of countries come to America to source these kinds of horses. We are lucky to get him."

Boman added, "We are enthusiastic about this sale. Buying horses like this privately is not an easy process. So, when opportunities like this come along, you grab them."

Tip Top Thomas was consigned by ELiTE, agent, the auction's leading consignor with sales of $3.2 million for 32 horses, including three out of the top four lots.



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Tiztastic | *Sarah Andrew*

Tiztastic (Tiz the Law), winner of the 2025 GII Louisiana Derby and an earner of $1.8 million, sold to Winchell Thoroughbreds for $400,000. He was consigned by ELiTE, agent.

Winchell Thoroughbreds had been racing Tiztastic--previously a $335,000 Keeneland September yearling--in partnership with Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor and Derrick Smith. He finished fifth in the GIII Fayette S. at Keeneland last out Oct. 24.

Winchell Racing Manager David Fiske said that Tiztastic will return to training with Steve Asmussen at Churchill Downs.

Last year's GI Hollywood Derby winner **Salamis** (Speightstown), most recently fourth in a Keeneland allowance Oct. 8, sold to Fergus Galvin, agent, for $350,000. A half-brother to MGISW Segesta (Ghostzapper), the Juddmonte homebred was consigned by Lane's End, agent for Juddmonte.

"He likely will go back to (trainer) Chad Brown," Galvin said. "Grade I winner as a 3-year-old last year and good runs this year. His last run was very good here at Keeneland. His form is at the top level, and we hope it can stay that way."

Heartwood Farm paid $320,000 for **Midway Memories** (Cairo Prince), a 4-year-old winning half-sister to 2022 GI Toyota Blue Grass winner Zandon (Upstart). She was consigned by ELiTE, agent.

"This is a purchase for a partnership," said Juan Aguilar, who co-owns Heartwood Farm with Sarah Sutherland. "The plan is to breed her next year--no more racing. She will go back to Heartwood and hopefully have some nice babies for us."

Plus Investments led all buyers, purchasing five horses for $790,000.

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Hip	Name	Status	Price ($)
4078	**Tip Top Thomas**	**Racing/Stallion Prospect**	**460,000**
	(c, 4, Volatile--Attempt to Name, by Consolidator)		
	Consigned by EliTE, agent		
	Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock		
4080	**Tiztastic**	**Racing/Stallion Prospect**	**400,000**
	(c, 4, Tiz the Law--Keesha, by Tapit)		
	Consigned by EliTE, agent		
	Purchased by Winchell Thoroughbreds		
4060	**Salamis**	**Racing/Stallion Prospect**	**350,000**
	(c, 4, Speightstown--Antonoe, by First Defence)		
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent for Juddmonte		
	Purchased by Fergus Galvin, agent		
4031	**Midway Memories**	**Racing/B'mare Prospect**	**320,000**
	(f, 4, Cairo Prince--Memories Prevail, by Creative Cause)		
	Consigned by ELiTE, agent		
	Purchased by Heartwood Farm		
4102	**Blackout Time**	**Racing/Stallion Prospect**	**275,000**
	(c, 3, Not This Time--Beauty Parlor, by Elusive Quality)		
	Consigned by McPeek Racing Stables, Agent II		
	Purchased by Luis Perez		

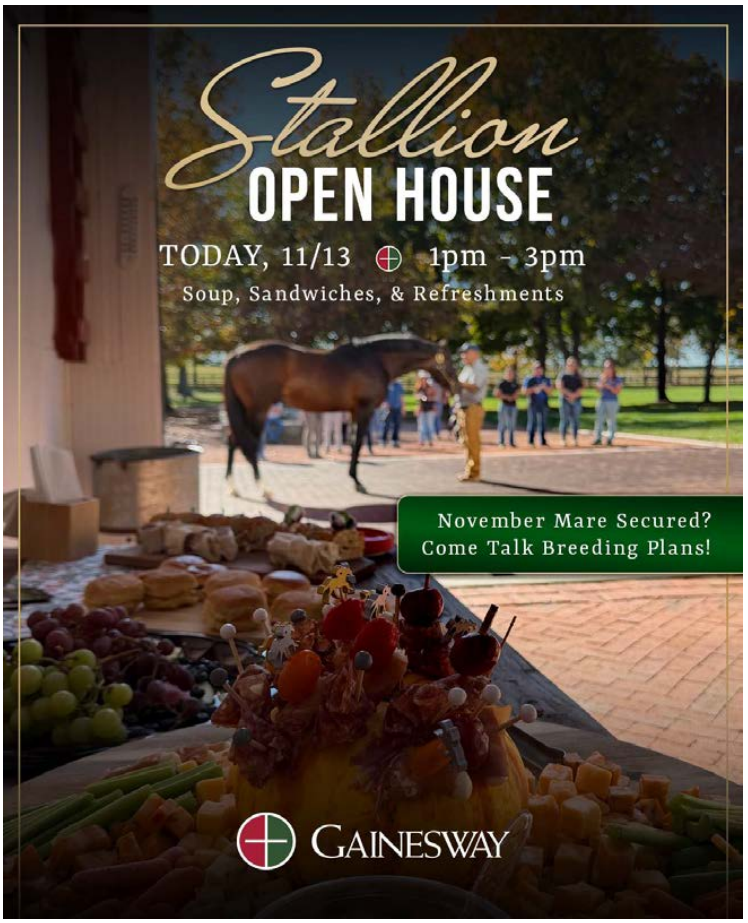
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CUMULATIVE TOTALS	2026	2025
• No. Offered	87	128
• No. Sold	84	108
• RNAs	3	20
• % RNAs	3.4%	15.6%
• No. $500K+	0	3
• High Price	$460,000	$1,300,000
• Gross	$7,798,000	$10,455,000
• Average	$92,834 (-4.1%)	$96,806
• Median	$52,500 (+31.3%)	$40,000

**Figures represent head sold through the ring*



Pierre Bellocq cont.

Peb remarked that despite the madness of the war and the presence of occupying forces, local racing fans still came out to put their burdens aside for a few hours and try to pick a winner.

With Peb's acclaim growing in France, he caught the attention of Laurel Race Course owner John D. Shapiro, who commissioned him to create logos, program covers and artwork for the inaugural Washington D.C. International in 1954. He arrived there on a cargo plane along with the international horses taking part in the race, finding bales of hay to rest on during the flight.

He was hired by the Morning Telegraph, the sister paper of the *Daily Racing Form*, in 1955 and his first cartoon for his new employer coincided with the opening day of Jamaica Racetrack. The Form and the Philadelphia Inquirer were both owned by Walter Annenberg at the time and Bellocq also took up the task of drawing political cartoons for the Inquirer. When Annenberg sold the Inquirer to Knight Ridder in the early seventies, the paper's new owners insisted that he choose between horse racing and politics. He chose horse racing.

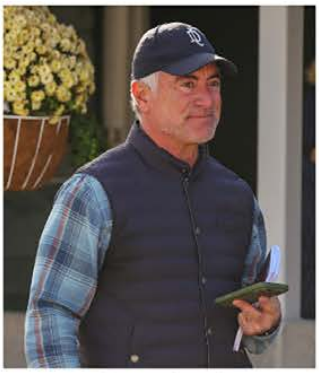
What made Peb so unique and so popular was his ability to capture in a charming way the personalities of the horses and what might be going through their minds. On the morning after the ill-fated match race between Ruffian and Foolish Pleasure,

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Stuart Boman

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he showed a saddened Foolish Pleasure wearing a Ruffian pin. He had said that one of his favorites was the front-page cartoon for the 2004 Belmont Stakes, where he linked Philadelphia legend Smarty Jones to Philadelphia legend Rocky Balboa. He drew 50 caricatures of Riva Ridge and Secretariat that explored their relationship on almost human terms.

He also captured the personalities of the people he sketched. Bob Baffert looked confident and just a little bit cooler than everyone else. Jack Van Berg was rough and gruff. Julie Krone was an imp.



Peb's brother Louis on his way back from a race at Maisons-Laffite during the war. Two German officers can be seen in the background
Pierre Bellocq photo

"It's almost some kind of mystical thing to grasp the inner character of a person," he said. "It's hard to explain. Naturally, you want to study the person and try to find out what motivates the person and what their character is and translate that into life. Some people are easy to draw. Some are not."

Outside of his cartoons, he was commissioned to paint massive murals that captured the history and culture of racing. His most famous mural was the one that hung inside the clubhouse at Belmont Park. Another public mural, named The "Canvas of Stars," was commissioned by horse owner Marlene Brody for her Gallagher's Steak House in New York City, depicting famous people of sport, politics and entertainment who enjoyed the famous restaurant over the years.

He released several books compiling his caricatures and equine humor, including Peb's Equine Comedy (1957), Peb 71 (1971), Peb at Keeneland (1986), Forty Years of Peb (1995), and Peb: The Art of Humor (2004).

Along the way, the awards kept rolling in. In 1980, he won a Special Eclipse Award for Outstanding Contributions to Racing. He received The Jockey Club Medal--a rare, non-annual distinction recognizing exceptional contributions to Thoroughbred racing and breeding--in 2016. In 2020, he was inducted into the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame as part of the Joe Hirsch Media Roll of Honor. He was even recognized in France, 28 years after he left, receiving the Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters) in 1983. Awarded by the French government, the honor recognized his artistic contributions as part of France's premier cultural honors.

Peb also founded and then became the president of the Amateur Riders' Club of America, an organization that put together races for amateur jockeys who rode for the love of the sport and not for purse money.

Concluding a 53-year run at the *Daily Racing Form* in 2008, Peb stayed active artistically. Soon thereafter, he became a regular contributor to the *Thoroughbred Daily News*. After he drew his last cartoon for the *TDN*, his son Remi followed in his father's footsteps with witty cartoons that also have an uncanny knack for capturing the true personalities of those he is drawing.

In 2005, at the age of 79, he was still undertaking major works of art, painting a mural at Churchill Downs. He later updated his mural at Belmont Park, painted a trainers' mural at Churchill, and was commissioned for another major work at Del Mar. Those murals serve as examples of his work available for public visitation. **Cont.**



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Fans enjoy Peb's mural at Churchill Downs on April 21, 2005
Getty Images

"There will always only be one Peb and that's just not in the racing industry, but in cartooning in general," Remi said. "People forget he was a hell of a political cartoonist also. The work he leaves behind, I'll let it speak for itself. I think that if I was trying to whittle it down, they say a picture is worth a thousand words. Well, that really applies in this case. It was not just his incredible ability to do caricatures, which I don't even pretend to try to do. A lot of other really great cartoonists would say was that he really was phenomenal. He brought a sense of humor to the sport which really needs it."

"He's irreplaceable," Remi continued. "You can copy him, but you can't replace him. I can carry on the tradition and can only hope in my own way to fill that gap."

In 2023, Peb and Remi joined the TDN Writers' Room Podcast. In the podcast, Peb explained how it all began for him.

"I always tried to copy from the newspapers," he said. "When I was a kid, I was copying cartoons and it was my ambition to draw. I made albums of caricatures of politicians. I have albums full of those things. I had a great passion for that."

"Working with Peb was undoubtedly my biggest professional honor," said *TDN* publisher Sue Finley. "He had a huge impact on my decision to enter a career in racing. When I was a teenager, the New York Racing Association gave away a book of his Equine Comedy cartoons, and they drew me into that vivid world that he created. I decided it was a world I wanted to be a part of."

Bellocq is survived by sons Remi; Pierre Bellocq Jr.; Denis; a daughter; Brigitte Toth, his wife Marie-Denise; and his stepdaughter Elisabeth; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a daughter, Lise; and his first wife, Denise.

Services are yet to be determined.

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BREEDERS' CUP, DEL MAR DISMISSED 'WITH PREJUDICE' FROM WHITE ABARRIO SUIT

In a post on X early Thursday morning, C2 Racing Stable reported that they and co-owner Gary Barber have reached the conclusion that Breeders' Cup Limited and the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club are not responsible for the on-track scratching of **White Abarrio** (Race Day) in the minutes leading up to the start of the 2025 GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.

In a $10-million lawsuit filed this past April, the ownership named Breeders' Cup, host track Del Mar and the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) as joint-defendants in the case. While dismissing Breeders' Cup and Del Mar 'with prejudice', C2 and Barber suggest that the CHRB is solely responsible for the action.



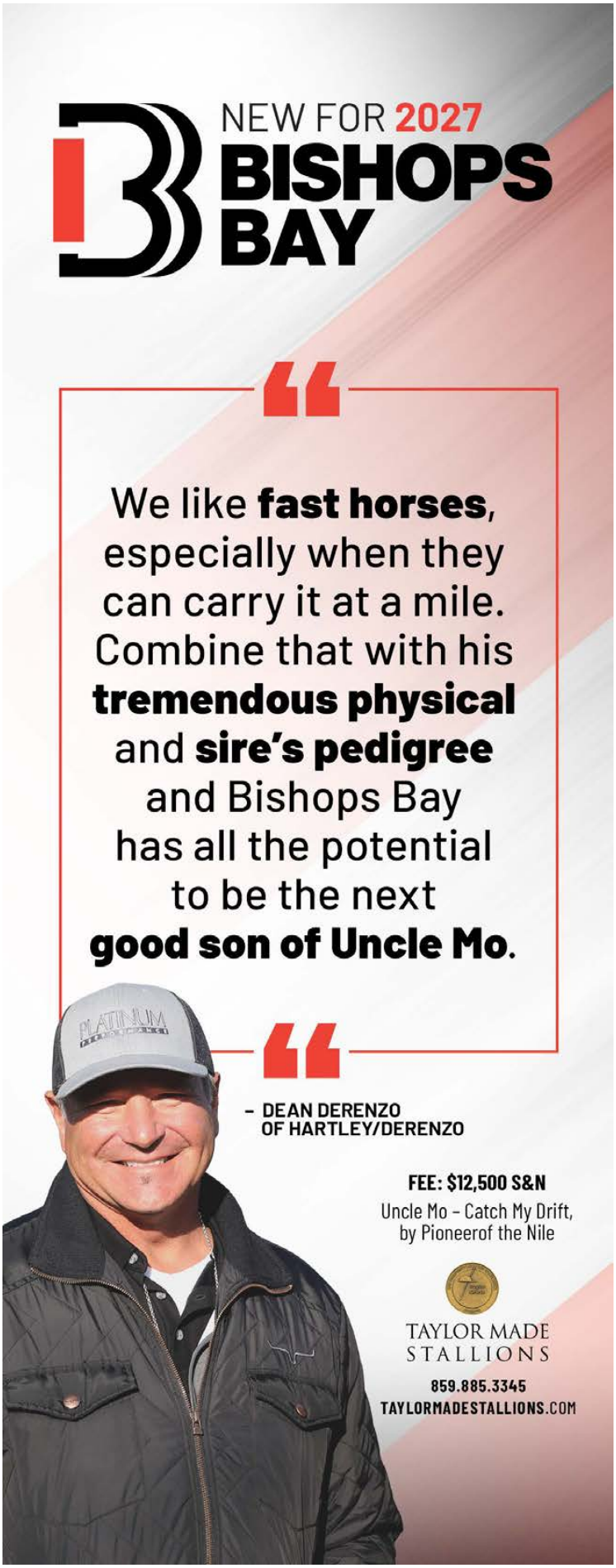
White Abarrio defeated Sovereignty (right) and Journalism in this year's GII Oaklawn H. | *Coady Media*

The post reads, in part: “Accordingly, Gary Barber and C2 Racing Stable have dismissed with prejudice their claims against Breeders' Cup and Del Mar arising from the scratch. The dismissal reflects no admission of fault, liability or wrongdoing by any party. All parties remain committed to equine safety and the integrity of Thoroughbred racing and look forward to working together to protect those priorities.”

White Abarrio trained on into his 7-year-old season in 2026, finishing second to stablemate Skippylongstocking (Exaggerator) in defense of his title in the GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes in January before handing reigning Horse of the Year and recent GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Sovereignty (Into Mischief) a two-length defeat in the GII Oaklawn Handicap.

White Abarrio has since been retired to stud for the 2027 breeding season at Gainesway.

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THOROUGHBRED CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES NOMINATIONS REPLACE TRIPLE CROWN NOMS

Nominations are now being taken for the inaugural Thoroughbred Championship Series at TCSnominations.com. The TCS is a new 10-race championship series created by Churchill Downs and the New York Racing Association (NYRA).

Noteworthy in the new process is that horses may no longer be nominated to the Triple Crown, as the Thoroughbred Championship Series does not include the second leg of the Triple Crown, the GI Preakness Stakes, among the six races for 2027.

Eligible 3-year-olds of 2027 can be nominated for the TCS Derby and Oaks divisions for an early fee of $500 through Thursday, Dec. 10. Once that period closes, horses may still be nominated to the series at increased fees, as outlined in the TCS fee schedule at the above website.

The TCS will feature six Derby division races and four Oaks division races staged at Churchill, Belmont Park and Saratoga Race Course. In addition to the purses of the races, the series will also award $5 million in Derby division bonuses and $1 million in bonuses for the Oaks division. In total, over $22 million will be up for grabs across the 10 races.

A single nomination and payment of the applicable fee makes a 3-year-old male eligible for all six races in the Derby division. A filly is nominated to bot the Oaks and Derby divisions. Horses must be nominated to the TCS in order to accrue points, appear in the official TCS standings or qualify for bonus awards.

The 2027 Derby Division will include the GI Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve; GI Belmont Stakes presented by NYRA Bets; Matt Winn Stakes; GII Jim Dandy Stakes; GI DraftKings Travers Stakes; and TCS Championship.



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The TCS also will award $100,000 each to the leading trainers and jockeys based on points earned across both the Derby and Oaks divisions. The top three trainers and jockeys in the final standings will receive $50,000 for first place, $30,000 for second and $20,000 for third, creating an additional season-long competition across the series.

When the TCS was unveiled as a concept in August, the absence of the Preakness was the subject of much public discussion and debate, but trainer Bob Baffert said at the time that he would continued to support the race, despite it missing from the TCS.

“The Preakness is integral to racing's history, present and future, and I hope nothing detracts from its significance,” Baffert said. “If I have the right horse, I'll continue to run in Baltimore every May as well as in the Thoroughbred [Championship] Series.”

The Maryland Jockey Club also released a statement Thursday in response to the TCS, saying, “The Maryland Jockey Club and the entire state of Maryland look forward to bringing the iconic Preakness Stakes, the second jewel in racing’s Triple Crown, back to Baltimore at the new Pimlico Race Course on Sunday, May 23, 2027, 22 days after the Kentucky Derby. We will open nominations for the Preakness, with additional details coming very soon.”

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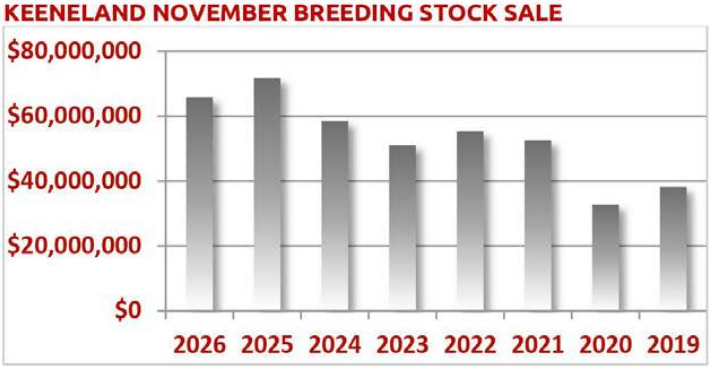
The latest edition of the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings (WBRR) was published Nov. 12, with two impressive winners from Breeders' Cup Saturday making their debut appearances on the listing.

Tomoya Ozasa's **T O Elvis** (Volatile) had earned a rating of 120 when dismantling a very talented field in the GI Churchill Downs Stakes in May and after whistling home down the Keeneland stretch to best 'TDN Rising Star' presented by Hagyard **Englishman** (Maxfield), was raised to 124, making him the world's highest-rated dirt sprinter. Englishman holds at 122.

'TDN Rising Star' presented by Hagyard **Deterministic** (Liam's Map) entered the GI Breeders' Cup Mile with victories in the GI Manahattan Stakes and GI Fourstardave Stakes, but had a score to settle with fellow 'Rising Star' **Notable Speech (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) after running second to that rival in the GI Woodbine Mile in September. **Cont.**

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KEENELAND NOVEMBER BREEDING STOCK SALE



“Keeneland rounded out its nine-day run of the 2026 November Breeding Stock Sale in Lexington Wednesday, surpassing the $240-million mark, the second-highest through-the-ring gross for the auction since 2007.”

- Christina Bossinakis

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% W/D	% S/R	% S/C	GROSS	AVE
2026	3,439	2,509	1,892	27.0%	75.4%	55.0%	$240,897,200	$127,324
2025	3,095	2,377	1,891	23.2%	79.6%	61.0%	$237,456,400	$125,572
2024	3,401	2,584	2,158	24.0%	83.5%	63.4%	$196,442,900	$91,030
2023	3,591	2,728	2,219	24.0%	81.3%	61.8%	$188,836,000	$85,100
2022	3,704	2,869	2,329	20.0%	81.1%	62.9%	$216,430,200	$92,928
2021	3,887	2,989	2,470	23.1%	82.6%	63.5%	$203,585,500	$82,423
2020	3,804	2,807	2,286	26.2%	81.4%	60.0%	$157,815,300	$69,036
2019	4,548	3,444	2,667	24.3%	77.4%	58.6%	$200,139,400	$75,043



T O Elvis | *Walter Wlodarczyk*

Deterministic reversed form in no uncertain terms with the 125-rated Notable Speech at Keeneland and was given 122 for the effort.

While **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief) remained on 125 after making a victorious swansong in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, the progressive **The Puma** (Essential Quality) continued in his fine form, building on a victory in the GI Pennsylvania Derby with a sound runner-up effort in the Classic. His rating of 122 equals that of Sovereignty's 'TDN Rising Star' stablemate **Knightsbridge** (Nyquist) in the intermediate dirt category.

On the international stage, **Danon Decile (Jpn)** (Epiphaneia {Jpn}) earned a 124 rating off his impressive victory in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) over the Tokyo 2000 meters, joining the likes of **Calandagan (Ire)** (Gleneagles {Ire}) and **Constitution River (Fr)** (Wootton Bassett {GB}).

The Hong Kong-based **Ka Ying Rising (NZ)** (Shamexpress {NZ}) remains the world's top-rated galloper on 135, four clear of the G1 Japan Cup-bound **Ombudsman (Ire)** (Night of Thunder {Ire}), who in turn is rated three points superior to repeat G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe hero **Daryz (Fr)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}).

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1/ST TV ENDS VIDEO COVERAGE OF MORNING WORKOUTS

Saying that they were unable to find ways to share the cost of workout coverage with the industry, 1/ST TV will no longer provide coverage of morning workouts, effective today, according to a pop-up statement on their website.

"For the last decade, 1/ST TV is proud to have provided coverage of more than 15,000 annual morning workouts from Del Mar, Gulfstream Park, Santa Anita Park, Saratoga, and South Florida training centers, including Palm Beach Downs, Payson Park and Palm Meadows," said the statement. "We explored ways to share the cost of this coverage across the industry but were unable to find a path forward. As a result, effective November 12, 1/ST TV will no longer offer morning workout videos. Access to the historical workout library will remain available through November 2026. Thank you to our viewers for your support. We hope you will continue to enjoy live coverage of racing by visiting www.gulfstreampark.com for Gulfstream Park races and www.santaanita.com for Santa Anita Park."

The workouts were a popular feature on the 1/ST TV website, and were used by many other outlets across the industry, including the TDN.

The TDN reached out to the Stronach Group for clarification on how they tried to share the costs with the industry, and if 1/ST TV will continue to exist without the workouts but did not receive a response in time for publication of this story.

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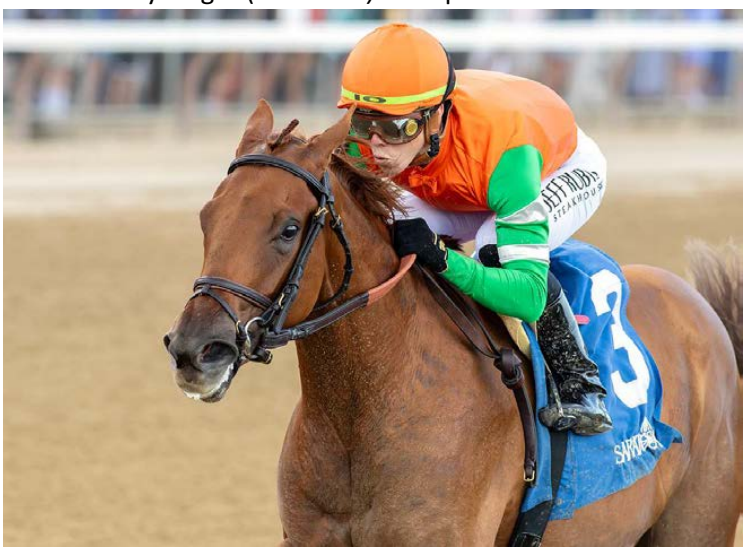
SIX SPEEDY FILLIES FOR WEEK OF NOV. 2-8, 2026 *by Randy Moss*

The speediest females ran in the Breeders' Cup or in stakes on Breeders' Cup weekend. Last week's fastest race on Beyer Speed Figures was the ungraded Pumpkin Pie S., which produced three on our list.

6--SENZA PAROLE, BEL, 11/7-6th, Pumpkin Pie S., 7f
Beyer Speed Figure-90 (3rd) (video)
(f, 4, Gun Runner--Senza Te, by Street Cry {Ire})
O/B-Don Alberto Stable (Ky). T-Chad Brown. J-Flavien Prat.

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The 3-10 favorite after a triple-digit-Beyer second in the GII Gallant Bloom, she missed the break here--but it's hard to conclusively say it cost her the race. The opening quarter was so slow (:23.74), she immediately recovered to run up alongside pacesetter Icona Mama *(see below)* in the four-horse field, only to see Beauty Reigns (*see below)* blow past both for the win.



Senza Parole | *Sarah Andrew*

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5--ICONA MAMA, BEL, 11/7-6th, Pumpkin Pie S., 7f
Beyer Speed Figure-90 (2nd) (video)
(f, 4, Maximus Mischief--Classe Signora, by Bernstein)
O-DeSales Eighty-Five. B-J. Patrick Morell and Tanya Lobsiger (Pa). T-Flint Stites. J-Manny Franco.

Looking for her first win outside her native Pennsylvania, Icona Mama dashed to the lead in a paceless field and determinedly refused to let big favorite Senza Parole get past. But while she won that battle, they were overmatched by the winner in the final sixteenth.

4--GREEN CARRERA (GB), DMR, 11/6-6th, Let It Ride S., 1mT
Beyer Speed Figure-90 (video)
(f, 3, Lope de Vega {Ire}--Fool For You {Ire}, by Lawman {Fr})
O-Chivalry Thoroughbred Racing, Farfellow Farms and Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners. B-Coverdale Stud (GB). T-Leonard Powell. J-Umberto Rispoli.

The only filly in the eight-horse field, she charged from last to capture a three-horse photo in her second U.S. start and first for Powell. She was privately purchased by her American owners just before winning the 30-horse Sandringham Stakes on June 19 at Royal Ascot, and most recently was fourth in the Aug. 22 GI Del Mar Oaks for trainer Joseph O'Brien. Afterward she was transferred to Powell to continue her career in the U.S.

3--PONDERING, WO, 11/7-10th, GIII Bessarabian S., 7f (AWT)
Beyer Speed Figure-90 (video)
(f, 4, Hard Spun--Always Thinking, by Street Sense)
O/B-Godolphin (Ky). T-Brendan Walsh. J-Sahin Civaci.

She won the Bessarabian last year with a $27.90 mutuel and paid $22.20 when repeating Sunday. That's interesting enough, but Pondering also has the most unusual Godolphin background you'll see. In 2008, Godolphin made a rare detour to Argentina to purchase filly Que Piensa Cat after back-to-back runaway victories. For years it looked like the worst transaction the boys in blue ever made. Que Piensa Cat raced twice in the UK, both last-place finishes. Then as a Darley broodmare she was sent to quality stallions yet produced pitifully slow horses with one exception: her daughter Always Thinking won a Laurel turf sprint stakes. And now Always Thinking's first two foals for Godolphin are Think Big (three-time graded winner on turf in 2025) and Pondering. Suddenly the Argentina deal doesn't look as bad.

2--TAP TO OPEN, BEL, 11/7-9th, GII Mother Goose S., 1 1/8m
Beyer Speed Figure-90 (video)
(f, 3, Tapit--I'll Take Charge, by Indian Charlie)
O/B-Whisper Hill Farm (Ky). T-Brad Cox. J-Manny Franco.

As a full-sister to GSW stallion Charge It, whose second dam is prolific Kentucky Oaks runner-up Take Charge Lady, Tap to Open's Grade II win was especially important for her resume. She had hinted at graded potential with three straight wins including the listed Cathryn Sophia S. at Parx, then was uncompetitive with a wide trip in the GI Cotillion Stakes. But she bounced back here with a solid 3 1/4-length score and career-best Beyer.

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Beauty Reigns | *Susie Raisher*

1--BEAUTY REIGNS, BEL, 11/7-6th, Pumpkin Pie S., 7f
Beyer Speed Figure-94 (video)
(f, 4, Into Mischief--Ilsa, by Tapit)
O-Tranquility Lake Farms. B-Wygod Equine (Ky). T-Bill Mott. J-Junior Alvarado.

Two scratches reduced the Pumpkin Pie field to four while robbing the race of its only speed. "We were very concerned about that," said Mott, whose stretch-running filly normally needs pace. But despite slow fractions, she rolled past Icona Mama and odds-on Senza Parole for a first stakes victory that was also big for the Wygod family due to her "sweet" pedigree. Her unraced dam is out of a half-sister to Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner and champion Sweet Catomine (Storm Cat), and full-sister to Breeders' Cup Ladies Classic winner Life Is Sweet (Storm Cat's son Giant's Causeway), runner-up in Eclipse Award voting to stablemate Zenyatta.

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DATE FIRMED UP FOR TEXAS 2YO SALE

The 2027 renewal of the Texas 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale will be held Mar. 31 at the Mary Ruyle Sales Pavilion at Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie, the Texas Thoroughbred Association said in a release Thursday.

A single under-tack preview will take place on Monday, Mar. 29 on the main track at Lone Star Park. Three horses shared the bullet work of :10 1/5 last year, including the sales topper.

"We're very excited about the 2027 edition of our 2-year-old sale," Texas Thoroughbred Association Sales Director Foster Bridewell said. "Over the summer, we introduced a third sales-restricted stakes race for graduates of our yearling and 2-year-old sales. That means our graduates will have three stakes races for colts and geldings and three stakes races for fillies, totaling more than $700,000 in purse money, so now is the time to sell and race in Texas."

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Leading 2026 Covering Sires

by average price for stallions standing in North America (through Keeneland November)

Rank	Name	FYr	Loc	2026 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Gun Runner	F19	KY	$250,000	12	12	$1,604,166	$1,200,000
2	Nyquist	F18	KY	$175,000	10	9	$1,236,111	$650,000
3	Into Mischief	F10	KY	$250,000	14	13	$1,071,153	$900,000
4	Not This Time	F18	KY	$250,000	15	13	$860,384	$700,000
5	Justify	F20	KY	$200,000	6	4	$781,250	$850,000
6	Flightline	F24	KY	$125,000	22	20	$442,250	$312,500
7	Life Is Good	F24	KY	$60,000	15	12	$428,750	$167,500
8	Curlin	F10	KY	$225,000	4	3	$391,666	$260,000
9	Sierra Leone	F27	KY	$75,000	29	21	$362,619	$235,000
10	Constitution	F17	KY	$110,000	10	7	$290,000	$250,000
11	Vekoma	F22	KY	$100,000	23	19	$286,578	$200,000
12	Tapit	F06	KY	$185,000	1	1	$250,000	$250,000
13	Practical Joke	F19	KY	$75,000	14	11	$215,000	$210,000
14	Good Magic	F20	KY	$125,000	5	5	$203,000	$125,000
15	Street Sense	F09	KY	$40,000	4	4	$196,250	$177,500

Leading 2026 Freshmen Covering Sires

by average price for stallions standing in North America (through Keeneland November)

Rank	Name	Sire's Sire	Loc	2026 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Sierra Leone	Gun Runner	KY	$75,000	29	21	$362,619	$235,000
2	Fierceness	City of Light	KY	$50,000	33	26	$168,884	$100,000
3	Citizen Bull	Into Mischief	KY	$35,000	31	23	$145,847	$90,000
4	Mindframe	Constitution	KY	$50,000	24	19	$131,684	$115,000
5	Goal Oriented	Not This Time	KY	$30,000	31	23	$117,478	$75,000
6	Chancer McPatrick	McKinzie	KY	$25,000	16	14	$74,142	$33,500
7	Locked	Gun Runner	KY	$35,000	29	24	$70,041	$67,500
8	Patch Adams	Into Mischief	KY	$30,000	15	11	$56,272	$65,000
9	Showcase	Uncle Mo	NY	$5,000	2	1	$50,000	$50,000
10	Barnes	Into Mischief	KY	$15,000	28	22	$37,318	$28,500
11	Straight No Chaser	Speightster	KY	$10,000	7	6	$37,000	$28,500
12	Raging Torrent	Maximus Mischief	KY	$15,000	9	5	$33,400	$27,000
13	Mystik Dan	Goldencents	KY	$15,000	4	4	$32,000	$32,000
14	Johannes	Nyquist	KY	$10,000	5	4	$26,750	$16,000
15	Mullikin	Violence	KY	$10,000	15	14	$26,321	$23,500

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Leading 2026 Sires of Weanlings

by average price for stallions standing in North America (through Keeneland November)

Rank	Name	FYr	Loc	2025 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Not This Time	F18	KY	$175,000	7	6	$711,237	$650,000
2	Justify	F20	KY	$250,000	3	3	$678,333	$525,000
3	Gun Runner	F19	KY	$250,000	4	4	$637,500	$575,000
4	Into Mischief	F10	KY	$250,000	9	9	$573,472	$475,000
5	Good Magic	F20	KY	$125,000	4	4	$536,647	$437,500
6	Curlin	F10	KY	$225,000	4	3	$486,666	$450,000
7	Life Is Good	F24	KY	$75,000	13	11	$402,272	$340,000
8	American Pharoah	F17	KY	$45,000	6	3	$337,666	$9,000
9	Flightline	F24	KY	$150,000	5	5	$280,000	$245,000
10	Nyquist	F18	KY	$175,000	3	2	$280,000	$280,000
11	Practical Joke	F19	KY	$75,000	16	13	$270,384	$180,000
12	Vekoma	F22	KY	$35,000	17	16	$209,062	$200,000
13	Quality Road	F12	KY	$150,000	4	4	$208,000	$235,000
14	National Treasure	F26	KY	$40,000	29	23	$180,782	$195,000
15	Muth	F26	KY	$35,000	23	17	$177,352	$170,000

Leading 2026 Freshmen Sires of Weanlings

by average price for stallions standing in North America (through Keeneland November)

Rank	Name	Sire's Sire	Loc	2025 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	National Treasure	Quality Road	KY	$40,000	29	23	$180,782	$195,000
2	Muth	Good Magic	KY	$35,000	23	17	$177,352	$170,000
3	Arabian Knight	Uncle Mo	KY	$30,000	49	39	$140,743	$120,000
4	Domestic Product	Practical Joke	KY	$30,000	45	38	$119,131	$105,000
5	Dornoch	Good Magic	KY	$40,000	17	10	$119,000	$107,500
6	Prince of Monaco	Speightstown	KY	$30,000	38	26	$103,576	$100,000
7	Cogburn	Not This Time	KY	$30,000	28	19	$94,315	$95,000
8	Kingsbarns	Uncle Mo	KY	$20,000	41	35	$87,885	$65,000
9	Gun Pilot	Gun Runner	KY	$17,500	31	23	$85,260	$70,000
10	Newgate	Into Mischief	KY	$20,000	36	23	$74,173	$60,000
11	Seize the Grey	Arrogate	KY	$30,000	41	31	$60,935	$60,000
12	Charge It	Tapit	KY	$12,500	38	30	$59,933	$48,500
13	More Than Looks	More Than Ready	KY	$15,000	6	3	$46,666	$35,000
14	Senor Buscador	Mineshaft	KY	$7,500	5	5	$43,400	$35,000
15	Tapit Trice	Tapit	KY	$20,000	9	9	$36,222	$22,000

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BET365 KENNEDY ROAD S.-GII, C$200,000, 3yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	G T Five Hundred	Astern (Aus)	Centennial Farms Inc.	Desruisseaux	Douglas	124
2	Arbiter	Charlatan	Resolution Road Stables	Ward	Moran	120
3	My Boy Prince	Cairo Prince	Gary Barber	Casse	Aebly	124
4	Nobals	Noble Mission (GB)	Patricia's Hope LLC	Rivelli	Rodriguez	120
5	Victory Achieved	Street Sense	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Hernandez	124
6	War Strategy	War Front	TEC Racing	Wright, Jr.	Civaci	120
7	Ready to Collect	Reload	Jamar Gibson	Broomes	Nicholls	120

Breeders: 1-Joe B. Mulholland Jr., John P.Mulholland & Karen Mulholland, 2-Hunter Valley Farm, Richie Galway,Frank Hutchinson & Lynch Bages LTD., 3-Murray Graham Smith, 4-Dr. John A. Chandler, 5-Live Oak Stud, 6-Orpendale/Chelston /Wynatt, 7-Northern Dawn Stables Inc

My Boy Prince (Cairo Prince) makes his first start on a synthetic surface since May 3, 2024, but might appreciate returning to the Tapeta. He sports a record of 7-5-2-0 over the surface. Simply ran into much better when fifth in the GII Woodford Stakes at Keeneland. He'll have to beat his stablemate from the Mark Casse barn, **Victory Achieved** (Street Sense), who ran a career best race when winning the GII Nearctic Stakes on the grass. Handles the synthetic just fine. **Arbiter** (Charlatan) has been in and out form for Wesley Ward, but the trainer is 3-for-6 on the year shipping into Woodbine and his sprinters seem to excel wherever they land. --Bill Finley

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ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Churchill Downs, $126,757, Alw, 11-12, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35.66, fm, 2 1/4 lengths.

TRAMUNTANA (f, 3, Practical Joke--Sue's Sweet Sioux, by Indian Charlie), broke her maiden going a mile over the Indiana turf on Aug. 4, lost the advantage to be fourth in an 8 1/2-furlong test at Churchill Downs Sept. 20. A credible second last time out in an off-turf allowance at Keeneland on Oct. 14, Tramuntana was given a 2-1 chance to go one better here. In charge soon after the start, she led throughout en route to a 2 1/4-length score over Moonlight Dash (Maclean's Music).

The winner, a half to Sinnin N Grinnin (Kantharos), SP, $165,233, is out of Sue's Sweet Sioux, herself a half-sister to GISW Tiz Miz Sue (Tiznow). Sales history: $130,000 Wlg '23 KEENOV; $275,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, $134,214. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

O-Castleton Lyons; B-CresRan LLC (KY); T-Eddie Kenneally.

MAIDEN WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Churchill Downs, $121,860, Msw, 11-12, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.67, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

BOSTON TIME (c, 3, Not This Time--Downwind {SP}, by Curlin) was a hint slow at the break, and soon found himself in the middle of the pack as Our Vekoma Ride (Vekoma) carved out a :22.44 initial quarter. With the pacesetter still on top as Helpful Howie (Midshipman) started to put the screws to him, the 24-1 longshot closed down the center of the course and was up in time to graduate by 1 1/2 lengths over Helpful Howie. Rockfest (Rock Your World) was third.

SP Downwind, in foal to Upstart, brought $5,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale earlier this season. Her latest reported live foal is a yearling filly by Tiz the Law. This is the family of MGISW Mor Spirit (Eskendereya). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $69,088. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

O-Hurricane Hills Farm; B-Pippa's Hurricane (KY); T-Victoria H. Oliver.

1st-Churchill Downs, $116,724, Msw, 11-12, 2yo, 6f, 1:10.48, ft, head.

I LIKE TO PARTY (c, 2, Life Is Good--Lady Aces {MGSP}, by Constitution), installed the 1-2 choice in this six-horse affair, prompted the pace as With You (Practical Joke) carved out an opening quarter in :22.49. Poking his head in front through a half in :45.11, I Like to Party was confronted by Drain the Bourbon (Drain the Clock) late, but won the bob to win by a head. I Like to Part, the 15th winner by his Freshman Sire (by Into Mischief), is the first foal out of MGSP Lady Aces. The daughter of Constitution is also responsible for a year-younger full-sister, who sold for $275,000 at Keeneland September this season, in addition to a foal sister by Quality Road. This is the family of multiple Grade I winner Paradise Woods (Union Rags). Sales history: $400,000 Wlg '24 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $69,088. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.

O-Flying Dutchmen Breeding and Racing LLC; B-CHC Inc. (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

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4th-Belmont, $100,000, Msw, 11-12, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT) (off turf), 1:10.53, ft, 1 length.

SAINTLY VILLAIN (f, 2, Jackie's Warrior--Portal Creek {MGSP, $291,439}, by Shanghai Bobby), third going six furlongs at Saratoga in September, was well-beaten into that same spot while adding a sixteenth at Belmont on Oct. 10. Sent off at 9-2 in this third go, the dark bay filly settled in fourth early through a tepid opening quarter. Taking over through a :46.29 half, she drifted out in the stretch but had enough left to score by a length over Harpist (Flightline) (click for Thursday race insight). Favored Aerial Affair (Flightline) faded to fourth.

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This is the 23rd winner for Saintly Villain's Freshman sire by (Maclean's Music). Titledown Racing secured Portal Creek for $95,000 at the 2022 Keeneland January Sale. The 10-year-old mare also has a yearling colt by Elite Power and a weanling colt by National Treasure in the pipeline. She was bred back to Mindframe. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, $80,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.
O/B-Titletown Racing Stables (Paul Farr) (KY); T-Thomas Morley.

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Saintly Villain by Jackie's Warrior
Coglianese/NYRA

6th-Belmont, $100,000, (S), Msw, 11-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:44.64, ft, 1/2 length.
VICKED (f, 3, Vekoma--Kelly's Prize, by Pure Prize) was sixth in her career debut facing state-breds in a seven-furlong test at the Big A last April and didn't resurface until a runner-up effort in an off-turf test going a mile at Belmont on Oct. 16.

Sent to the front and hassled by Ganderella (Hard Spun) through a :24.35 quarter, the 8-5 shots continued to slug it out through a :48.94 half. With Vicked still slightly ahead turning for home, she fought on late to edge Alesiamae (Tacitus) by a half length. Ganderella held third.

Kelly's Prize produced a colt by Blazing Sevens this season and was bred back to Honest Mischief. Sales history: $20,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; $75,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, $75,750. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.
O-Siegel Sez Stables and Funky Munky Stable, LLC; B-Allen C. Hallett (NY); T-David G. Donk.

2nd-Belmont, $100,000, (S), Msw, 11-12, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.44, my, 3 1/4 lengths.
KAZ TORO (c, 3, Name Changer--Pocket of Aces, by Harlan's Holiday) fired a bullet 1:00 1/5 five-furlong work at Belmont on Oct. 29 before adding a maintenance four-furlong move in :49 (21/41) on Nov. 5. Up to argue a crisp opening quarter, the 24-1 longshot assumed the advantage and drew off late to score by 3 1/4 lengths over Valentine Crusader (Honest Mischief).

Pocket of Aces produced a full-sister to the winner last season followed by a Central Banker colt this term. This is the family of Grade I winners Dream Deal (Sharpen Up {GB}), Clear Mandate (Deputy Minister), Newfoundland (Storm Cat) and Strong Mandate (Tiznow). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $55,000.
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O-Peter Kazamias; B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY); T-Dimitrios K. Synnefias.

2nd-Charles Town, $32,900, (S), Msw, 11-11, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53.03, ft, 1/2 length.
REDDAM ISLAND (f, 2, Drain the Clock--Kiana's Dream, by Sky Mesa), sent off the 2-1 choice in this unveiling, prompted Gaciously (Payter) through an opening quarter in :22.53. Taking over soon afterm Reddam Island battled with the early pacesetter late and outlasted that rival to score by a half length. This is the 10th winner for her Freshman sire (by Maclean's Music). The winner's dam, Kiana's Dream, is a half-sister to SP Cuyathy (Congrats), herself responsible for Grade I winner Johannes (Nyquist). The 14-year-old mare produced a filly by Imposing this season. Sales history: $14,000 Ylg '25 FTKFEB; $85,000 RNA 2yo '26 OBSMAR; $60,000 2yo '26 OBSOMR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $19,404. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing**.
O-David Kenney; B-Maurice F. Casey (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco.



Vekoma, sire of Vicked | *Louise Reinagel photo*



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
2026 Stud Fees Listed

Aloha West (Hard Spun), Mill Ridge Farm, $6,500
60 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Laurel, 12:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Aloha East, 20-1
$20,000 EAS OCT yrl
3-Laurel, 12:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Alohaglow, 3-1
$15,000 KEE NOV wnl; $22,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; $90,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Corniche (Quality Road), Coolmore Ashford, $15,000
109 foals of racing age/16 winners/3 black-type winners
3-Belmont, 1:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Belmont Street, 7-5
1-Belmont, 12:40 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Cornichiwa, 5-2
$140,000 KEE NOV wnl; $250,000 FTK OCT yrl; $500,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Cyberknife (Gun Runner), Spendthrift Farm, $15,000
167 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Belmont, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Cyber Cloud, 20-1
$62,000 FTK OCT yrl; $100,000 OBS APR 2yo

Drain the Clock (Maclean's Music), Gainesway Farm, $10,000
134 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Del Mar All Turf Pick 3, 4:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Franciscus, 4-1
$50,000 FTK OCT yrl; $120,000 OBS APR 2yo

Fire At Will (Declaration of War), Mountain View Farm, $2,500
25 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
5-Belmont, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, God of Fire, 6-1

Flightline (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, $125,000
124 foals of racing age/17 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Del Mar, 3:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Ala Sawab, 6-5
$475,000 RNA FTS AUG yrl; $400,000 FTK OCT yrl

Greatest Honour (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, $7,500
117 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 2:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Destined to Win, 30-1
$8,500 OBS WIN wnl; $8,500 KEE SEP yrl; $14,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

Highly Motivated (Into Mischief), Airdrie Stud, $7,500
98 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Del Mar, 4:32 p.m. ET, Msw 5fT, Savvy Motive, 8-1
$140,000 KEE SEP yrl

Idol (Curlin), Taylor Made Farm, $5,000
82 foals of racing ag/3 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 2:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Grace and Glamour, 5-1
$14,000 FTK OCT yrl

Jack Christopher (Munnings), Coolmore Ashford, $15,000
187 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Del Mar, 4:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Gallant Jack, 7-2
$160,000 FTK OCT yrl; $200,000 OBS APR 2yo

Jackie's Warrior (Maclean's Music), Spendthrift Farm, $25,000
136 foals of racing age/23 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Del Mar, 4:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Forest Warrior, 5-1
$170,000 FTK FEB wnl

Keepmeinmind (Laoban), Whispering Oaks Farm, $2,000
42 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Belmont, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Cara's Chrome, 50-1
$15,000 FTN MIX wnl; $11,000 OBS OPN 2yo
5-Belmont, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, J Buck, 6-1
8-Belmont, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Stellabration, 15-1
$50,000 OBS APR 2yo

Life Is Good (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, $60,000
133 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 2:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Passage Du Desir, 15-1
$150,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mandaloun (Into Mischief), Juddmonte Farms, $10,000
100 foals of racing age/13 winners/2 black-type winners
9-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:49 p.m. EDT, $100K Miss Indiana S., 1m, Sibilla, 10-1
$110,000 KEE NOV wnl; $130,000 KEE SEP yrl

Mind Control (Stay Thirsty), Rockridge Stud, $6,000
125 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Belmont, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, George's Pal Vinny, 9-2
$85,000 SAR AUG yrl
8-Belmont, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Gold Control, 8-1
$24,000 KEE SEP yrl; $70,000 OBS OPN 2yo
5-Belmont, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Sutter's Mill, 20-1

Mo Donegal (Uncle Mo), Spendthrift Farm, $5,000
135 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
10-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:21 p.m. EDT, $100K Indiana Futurity, 1m, Chief of Change, 5-1
$13,000 IND YRL yrl

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud, $10,000
99 foals of racing age/26 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Del Mar All Turf Pick 3, 4:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Ocean Club (Ire), 5-2
€14,000 GOF NOF wnl; €33,000 TAT IRY yrl

Speaker's Corner (Street Sense), Darley, $10,000
111 foals of racing age/9 winners/4 black-type winners
3-Laurel, 12:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Sound Check, 5-1

State of Rest (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}), Rathbarry Stud, $15,000
79 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Laurel, 12:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Ecce Quam Bonum (Ire), 9-2
$35,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Zafir (Scat Daddy), Browns Thoroughbred Farm, $500
6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Delta Downs, 6:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Get Back Jack, 10-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
2026 Stud Fees Listed
Essential Quality (Tapit), Darley, $25,000
218 foals of racing age/72 winners/9 black-type winners
1-Del Mar All Turf Pick 3, 4:32 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Jet E Z, 3-1
$35,000 FTK OCT yrl; $550,000 OBS APR 2yo

Galilean (Uncle Mo), Questroyal North, $3,500
53 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Belmont, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Threejoesinarow, 5-1

Popularity (Distorted Humor), Westwin Farms
15 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Remington, 7:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Popular Secret, 20-1



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Rock Your World (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, $7,500
224 foals of racing age/77 winners/3 black-type winners
9-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:49 p.m. EDT, $100K Miss Indiana S., 1m, Aint Having It, 5-1
$30,000 FTK OCT yrl
10-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:21 p.m. EDT, $100K Indiana Futurity, 1m, Yosemite's Rockin, 25-1
$20,000 FTK OCT yrl

Sleepy Eyes Todd (Paddy O'Prado), Swifty Farms, $3,500
25 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners
10-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:21 p.m. EDT, $100K Indiana Futurity, 1m, Merrylegs, 5-1

Tacitus (Tapit), Taylor Made Farm, $5,000
199 foals of racing age/44 winners/2 black-type winners
1-Horseshoe Turf Pick 3, 2:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Viva Leca, 30-1



ADDITIONAL RACING

STAKES RESULTS:

GLACIAL PRINCESS S., (NB) $75,000, Mahoning Valley, 11-12, (S), 2yo, f, 6f, 1:15.60, sy.

1--**ROSIE B, 122, f, 2, Dominus--Classy Katherine, by Old Forester.** O-Paul Woosley; B-Duncan Farms Thoroughbreds, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich; J-Luis Raul Rivera. $46,500. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, $121,035.

2--**Moxie Roxy**, 116, f, 2, King of the Roxy--Poco Uno, by E Dubai. O-Marion F. Gorham Irrevocable Trust; B-Hal Snowden (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham. $15,000.

3--**Star Sapphire**, 120, f, 2, Dominus--Sky Gazer, by Sky Mesa. *1ST-TIME STARTER. O-HMDC Racing Stables LLC; B-HMDC Racing Stables, LLC (OH); T-Michael L. Rone. $7,500.

Margins: 6 3/4, 4HF, 9 1/4. Odds: 0.70, 3.40, 5.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Belmont, $101,850, (NW1$X)/Opt. Clm ($55,000), 11-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:57.33, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.
STAND THE RAIN (f, 4, Liam's Map--Super Surprise {MSW, $462,300}, by Giant Surprise) Lifetime Record: 11-2-1-3, $184,050. O-LJSS Thoroughbreds; B-John D. Stuart (KY); T-Miguel Clement. *$70,000 Ylg '23 KEEJAN; $285,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

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TODAY'S FEATURED REPLAY



I LIKE TO PARTY *(Life Is Good) gives his Freshman sire (by Into Mischief) his 15th winner with a victory at Churchill Downs on Thursday.*
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8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, $45,400, (S), 11-11, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.50, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.
HOT MIDDLES (f, 4, Klimt--Pretty Miss Trippi {SP, $300,014}, by Trippi) Lifetime Record: MSW, 23-10-4-5, $419,779. O-Thirstyacres Racing LLC; B-Richardville Tianna (IN); T-Tianna Richardville. *1/2 to Aggregator (Graydar), SP, $158,072.

7th-Remington, $39,000, 11-11, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.91, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.
MELLENCAMP (g, 4, Constitution--American Model, by Bayern) Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-2, $107,396. O-Judge Lanier Racing, LLC and H.P. Drought and Company; B-Breeze Easy, LLC (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci. *$775,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; $40,000 3yo '25 KEENOV.

8th-Mahoning Valley, $36,200, (S), 11-12, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.91, sy, 9 1/4 lengths.
WATER INTO WINE (g, 3, Always Dreaming--Intercoastal, by Gemologist) Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-4-5-1, $201,338. O-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC and America's Thoroughbred Investors; B-Blazing Meadows Farm, LLC & WinStar Farm, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm.

FARM TO STABLE

7th-Mahoning Valley, $27,500, 11-12, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.94, sy, 1 3/4 lengths.
CARNIVAL ROCK (c, 3, Rock Your World--Filo Di Arianna, by Karakontie {Jpn}) Lifetime Record: 13-4-3-2, $94,087. O-Calderon Racing Stable and Vargas, Alejandro; B-Jay Goodwin & Tommy Walters (KY); T-Ivan Calderon. *$4,000 Ylg '24 OBSOCT; $9,500 RNA 2yo '25 OBSOPN.

2nd-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, $20,900, 11-11, 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :59.59, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.
DROPKICK MURPHY (g, 6, Bucchero--Birthday Suit, by Freud) Lifetime Record: 43-8-5-7, $146,534. O-Crank and Smeyres Stables; B-Irish Eyes Stable L.L.C & Going In Circles L.L.C (FL); T-Jeff Fletcher.

SIX K's TRAINING & SALES GRADUATE

7th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, $19,400, (S), 11-11, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5f, 1:00.87, ft, 1 length.
BONDS REVENGE (g, 4, Blofeld--Bank Teller, by Banker's Gold) Lifetime Record: 23-2-3-3, $56,820. O-Shane Meyers; B-Jean Rofe (WV); T-Shane Meyers.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Hard Money Man, g, 2, **Hard Spun**--Legal Tender, by Giant's Causeway. Parx Racing, 11-12, 6f, 1:12.02. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $30,000. B-Blue Devil Racing Stable, LLC (KY). *$50,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP; $65,000 RNA 2yo '26 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Maui Strong (Kitten's Joy), GSP, $357,449. ***1ST-TIME STARTER.

LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE

ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

Nacua, c, 3, **Core Beliefs**--Shop Girl (MSP, $106,450), by Constitution. Mahoning Valley, 11-12, 6f, 1:14.86. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, $17,780. B-Gary Broad - Walmac Farm, LLC (KY). *$45,000 RNA 2yo '25 OBSAPR.

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Revealing, f, 3, **Cupid**--Decollete, by Tizway. Charles Town, 11-11, 6 1/2f, 1:21.34. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, $34,140. B-Dr. Stephen G. Jackson & Debbie Jackson (KY).

Arco Thunder, c, 3, **Five Iron**--Laven's Lil Dahl, by Don't Get Mad. Remington, 11-11, 1m, 1:36.86. Lifetime Record: 19-1-3-5, $88,710. B-David Thomas Rogers (AR). *$1,500 Ylg '24 TTAYRL.

Mysterioso, g, 3, **Golden Lad**--Mysterious Ways, by Bernardini. Penn National, 11-11, 5 1/2f, 1:05.50. Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, $57,500. B-Caroline and Gregory Bentley Breeders (PA). *1/2 to Stern Chaser (Astern {Aus}), SW, $145,575; 1/2 to In a Spin (Hard Spun), MSP, $180,165.

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Sweet Kylie, f, 3, **Independence Hall**--Kyles Marigold, by Pure Prize. Mahoning Valley, 11-12, (S), 6f, 1:15.07. Lifetime Record: 16-1-7-5, $87,009. B-Susan King (OH).

Angels Are Bowling, f, 3, **Midnight Storm**--Benedicta, by Orientate. Charles Town, 11-11, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:23.80. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-2, $33,711. B-Kathleen E. Hamlin (WV).

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Determinedfinisher, g, 3, **Practical Joke**--New Hope Road, by Quality Road. Belmont, 11-12, (C), 1m, 1:36.64. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, $32,450. B-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & W. S. Farish (KY). *$450,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Mikestrumpcard, g, 3, **Prayer for Relief**--Eileen Evelyn, by Shore Breeze. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 11-12, (S), 6f, 1:13.21. Lifetime Record: 13-1-2-2, $52,270. B-John F. Haran & Mike Ryan (IN).

Order Restored, f, 4, **Tom's d'Etat**--Grammajo, by Street Sense. Churchill Downs, 11-12, (C), 6f, 1:10.32. Lifetime Record: 8-1-4-2, $123,136. B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY). *$60,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

ALL TDN WINNERS BY SIRE

Always Dreaming, Water Into Wine, g, 3, o/o Intercoastal, by Gemologist. ALW, 11-12, Mahoning Valley

Blofeld, Bonds Revenge, g, 4, o/o Bank Teller, by Banker's Gold. ALW, 11-11, Mountaineer

Bucchero, Dropkick Murphy, g, 6, o/o Birthday Suit, by Freud. ALW, 11-11, Mountaineer

Classic Empire, Salt Spartan, g, 4, o/o Pastel Gal, by Lemon Drop Kid. STR, 11-12, Belmont

Constitution, Mellencamp, g, 4, o/o American Model, by Bayern. ALW, 11-11, Remington

Core Beliefs, Nacua, c, 3, o/o Shop Girl, by Constitution. MSW, 11-12, Mahoning Valley

Cupid, Revealing, f, 3, o/o Decollete, by Tizway. MSW, 11-11, Charles Town

Dominus, Rosie B, f, 2, o/o Classy Katherine, by Old Forester. Glacial Princess S., 11-12, Mahoning Valley

Drain the Clock, Reddam Island, f, 2, o/o Kiana's Dream, by Sky Mesa. MSW, 11-11, Charles Town

Five Iron, Arco Thunder, c, 3, o/o Laven's Lil Dahl, by Don't Get Mad. MSW, 11-11, Remington

Golden Lad, Mysterioso, g, 3, o/o Mysterious Ways, by Bernardini. MSW, 11-11, Penn National

Hard Spun, Hard Money Man, g, 2, o/o Legal Tender, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 11-12, Parx Racing

Independence Hall, Sweet Kylie, f, 3, o/o Kyles Marigold, by Pure Prize. MSW, 11-12, Mahoning Valley



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Jackie's Warrior, Saintly Villain, f, 2, o/o Portal Creek, by Shanghai Bobby. MSW, 11-12, Belmont
Klimt, Hot Middles, f, 4, o/o Pretty Miss Trippi, by Trippi. ALW, 11-11, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Liam's Map, Stand the Rain, f, 4, o/o Super Surprise, by Giant Surprise. AOC, 11-12, Belmont
Life Is Good, I Like to Party, c, 2, o/o Lady Aces, by Constitution. MSW, 11-12, Churchill Downs
Midnight Storm, Angels Are Bowling, f, 3, o/o Benedicta, by Orientate. MSW, 11-11, Charles Town
Name Changer, Kaz Toro, c, 3, o/o Pocket of Aces, by Harlan's Holiday. MSW, 11-12, Belmont
Not This Time, Boston Time, c, 3, o/o Downwind, by Curlin. MSW, 11-12, Churchill Downs
Practical Joke, Determinedfinisher, g, 3, o/o New Hope Road, by Quality Road. MCL, 11-12, Belmont
Practical Joke, Tramuntana, f, 3, o/o Sue's Sweet Sioux, by Indian Charlie. ALW, 11-12, Churchill Downs
Prayer for Relief, Mikestrumpcard, g, 3, o/o Eileen Evelyn, by Shore Breeze. MSW, 11-12, Horseshoe Indianapolis
Rock Your World, Carnival Rock, c, 3, o/o Filo Di Arianna, by Karakontie (Jpn). ALW, 11-12, Mahoning Valley
Tom's d'Etat, Order Restored, f, 4, o/o Grammajo, by Street Sense. MCL, 11-12, Churchill Downs
Vekoma, Vicked, f, 3, o/o Kelly's Prize, by Pure Prize. MSW, 11-12, Belmont



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BIRDMAN FLIES HIGH TO DELIGHT OF DEVOTED BREEDER CRISTINA PATINO

By Emma Berry

From Ireland to Britain, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan and now Australia. Such has been the wingspan of stakes victories for the family of Gay Fantasy, the daughter of Troy bought by Cristina Patino as a yearling back in 1982.

Snow Fairy has of course been the standout - the kind of filly any owner-breeder dreams of producing - with her wins in the Oaks, Irish Oaks, Hong Kong Cup, Kyoto's Queen Elizabeth II Commemorative Cup (twice) and, finally, the Irish Champion Stakes. But it was another Champions Stakes, at Flemington on Saturday, which saw the family represented once more at the top level when Birdman notched his third Group 1 win in less than six months for Chris Waller and a syndicate involving Ozzie Kheir. **Cont. p3**

'A DIFFERENT SHADE OF SPEED' - NEWSELLS PARK LAND GROUP 1-WINNING SPRINTER KIND OF BLUE

The G1 British Champions Sprint Stakes winner **Kind Of Blue**, the highest-rated sprinter by Blue Point, has been retired from racing and is being syndicated to stand at Newsells Park Stud, with Newsells Park and Wathnan Racing as the majority shareholders. His fee will be £8,000.

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BELOVED CARTOONIST PIERRE 'PEB' BELLOCQ DIES AT 99

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Big Mojo, pictured winning the G1 Betfair Sprint Cup at Haydock, will stand for €10,000 at Yeomanstown Stud in 2027. See page 10 for more. | Racingfotos.com

7 | HAWK MOUNTAIN TO STAND AT CULWORTH GROUNDS
He is the first son of Wootton Bassett to stand in Britain and is priced at £10,000.

8 | ACE STUD TO STAND ZEUS OLYMPIOS FOR £8K
The flashy multiple group winner will be based at Ace Stud.

15 | HISTORY BECKONS FOR AIDAN O'BRIEN IN BAHRAIN
Lambourn will attempt to win the G1 Bahrain International Trophy and give his trainer a record-breaking 29th Group 1 win in a calendar year on Friday.



Cristina Patino with advisor Patrick Cooper, right | *Emma Berry*

Cristina Patino/Birdman Cont. from p1

The five-year-old is easily the most successful runner by the Anngrove Stud resident Free Eagle and though Birdman has thrived in the two years since he left Ireland for Waller's Sydney base, he was already on his way to being a classy horse in the northern hemisphere, albeit he may have remained among the staying ranks. Having won at Cork over a mile and a half on his debut as a three-year-old, he carried the silks of Patino's Anamoine Ltd for that victory which rolled straight into a successful raid on the Listed Yeats Stakes some three weeks later. Thereafter, Birdman finished third behind Illinois in the G2 Queen's Vase before Australia came a-calling.

"It was a vast amount of money at the time for a horse that had just run third in the Queen's Vase," recalls Patrick Cooper, who has overseen the racing and breeding interests of Patino for 30 years.

"They obviously bought him as a Melbourne Cup horse and none of us could have envisaged that a mile and a quarter was going to be his trip. If Cristina had kept him, I'm sure we would have been trying him over two miles repeatedly and almost certainly wouldn't have gone back to a mile and a quarter. So I guess we would have been wrong.

"We're thrilled for the owners because they put their money up and we're only too delighted that it's worked for them, and obviously, Cristina's still got the mare, so it's a win for everybody."

Birdman's dam Carol is by Acclamation and has to date produced two other multiple winners, Manhattanville (Tamayuz) and Arundel (Make Believe), who was named with a nod to the late John Dunlop, who trained from the Sussex town at Castle Stables. **Cont. p4**



The Dubawi dynasty

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Cristina Patino/Birdman Cont.

It was Dunlop Sr who honed the careers of several celebrated members of this same dynasty, notably the G3 Craven Stakes winner and G1 Racing Post Trophy runner-up Elusive Pimpernel (Elusive Quality) and his half-brother, G3 Strensall Stakes winner Palavicini (Giant's Causeway). The siblings are out of Cara Fantasy, a Sadler's Wells daughter of Gay Fantasy who features as the third dam of Birdman and is still thriving at the age of 26 among the retirees kept by her breeder at Simmonstown Stud in Celbridge.



Birdman wins the Champion Stakes | *Bronwen Healy*

Snow Fairy (Inthikhab), trained by Dunlop's son Ed, hails from a different branch of the family, her third dam being Persian Fantasy (Persian Bold), another of Gay Fantasy's daughters. Persian Fantasy is also the granddam of Group 3 winner Big Bad Bob (Bob Back).

"She's had the family now for 44 years," Cooper says of Patino's long association with the clan.

"Birdman's fourth dam Gay Fantasy she bought as a yearling in 1982, so she's been nurturing it ever since.

"It's slightly out of fashion to be an owner-breeder now and, as she says herself, there's precious few of them these days. But she's been very loyal to it, and it's repaid her."

Being an owner-breeder does allow for the luxury of a wider choice of stallions than the obvious narrow group with supposed 'sire power'. The 12-year-old Carol has a Calyx yearling colt who is heading into training with Birdman's former trainer Jessica Harrington, with an Australia colt foal to follow. She is back in foal to Australia - who is arguably one of the greatest value stallion in Europe - and is due to visit City Of Troy next season. **Cont. p5**



Cristina Patino/Birdman Cont.

Cooper says, "Obviously, because there's no commercial considerations as far as selling them before they run, we can use all sorts of weird and wonderful stuff, and Free Eagle fell into that category. You can just go to horses that are a bit out of fashion."

Patino famously sent Snow Fairy to Elusive Pimpernel for her first cover. Her second foal Virgin Snow (Gleneagles) was twice Group 3-placed and a winner over ten furlongs and is now alongside her mother in the broodmare band at Simmonstown.

"Snow Fairy is very, very healthy at the age of 18," Cooper reports. "And, as the vets told us this year, looks like a 14-year-old, both inside and outside, so that's great news."



Snow Fairy after her Irish Champion Stakes win | *Racingfotos.com*

Snow Fairy's best runner to date is the Listed-winning Frankel colt John Leeper, who was born in 2018, the year Patino's favourite trainer John Dunlop died and thus named in his memory. She has a two-year-old colt by New Bay named Snow Runner as well as a yearling colt by Night Of Thunder, called Snowed Under. Snow Fairy is currently in foal to Delacroix.

The dynasty continues with Virgin Snow's first foal, the Too Darn Hot filly Melting Snow having won this year for Ed Dunlop, while 95-rated The Austrian (New Bay), who is out of Snow Fairy's half-sister Snow Pixie (Flower Alley), has also won twice this year for Harrington.

Cooper says of the veteran breeder, "She's down to five or six mares, but the quality is still good and she's still got some very nice yearlings and runners that she's had this year.

"Her enthusiasm is just so infectious. She's extremely loyal and extremely enthusiastic, and absolutely adores her horses.

"It's all about the horses, and she can spend hours with them. She still comes to Ireland twice a year to see them." **Cont. p6**



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He added, “Obviously, Snow Fairy was in a different league altogether, but her love of the horses is not really to do with their ability; she falls in love with all of them. But some of them properly take her fancy, and if they take her fancy, woe betide anybody, i.e. me, who disparages them."

Three members of the family - Big Bad Bob, Elusive Pimpernel and Palavicini - all ended up standing at the Irish National Stud. Big Bad Bob was just 16 when he died and Elusive Pimpernel died earlier this year but Palavicini remains in Kildare.

"Elusive Pimpernel had that burst when we moved him from Islanmore to the Irish National Stud. He started off entirely supported by her and nobody else and we moved him up there and he got a few National Hunt winners. One year I think he covered 160 mares but it dropped very dramatically thereafter," Cooper says.

"His brother, Palavicini, is still in the stallion boxes in retirement. The rule was they had to be in the box adjacent to each other, because they'd grown up together and they were never to be separated.

"Palavicini's still there, living out his life in the great splendour of the stallion paddocks of the Irish National Stud."

Birdman, who holds an entry for the Japan Cup, has played a key role in some notable milestones for his trainer this year. His victory in the Doomben Cup in May, beating star mare Pride Of Jenni, brought up Waller's 200th Group 1 win. On Saturday, the Champions Stakes win placed Waller on 27 Group 1 wins for 2026, just one behind the record currently held - and matched this year so far - by Aidan O'Brien. Between those two triumphs, Birdman beat Cosmic Crusader in the Underwood Stakes before losing out to that same rival by three-quarters of a length in the Cox Plate.

"Cristina has never sold one before that's gone on and done this," says Cooper. "She loves trophies for the memories they provide and when Birdman won the Underwood Stakes there was a trophy for the winning breeder which has been shipped back from Australia. She's absolutely thrilled by how well he has done down there."

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Kind Of Blue Cont. from p1

Trained by James Fanshawe, Kind Of Blue earned 'TDN Rising Star' status as a three-year-old when making it two from two in a novice event at Doncaster, before forfeiting his unbeaten record with a fourth-place finish in the G1 Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot, running a huge race for one so experienced to pass the post only four lengths behind the winner, Inisherin.

Subsequently placed in the G3 Hackwood Stakes at Newbury, G3 Phoenix Sprint Stakes at the Curragh and G1 Sprint Cup at Haydock--when beaten just a head behind Montassib (Exceed And Excel)--Kind Of Blue then made a deserved breakthrough at the top level when returning to Ascot to win the Champions Sprint by a head from Swingalong (Showcasing).

"Kind Of Blue sealed Wathnan's love-affair with Ascot with his Champions Sprint win," said Richard Brown, Wathnan's racing adviser, who brokered the deal to purchase Kind Of Blue after his near miss at Haydock. "It was a mighty achievement for a three-year-old--he absolutely cruised into contention and then ran right up that hill and through the line. A great day!"

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> --Wathnan racing adviser Richard Brown

In winning the Champions Sprint, Kind Of Blue also became the first Group 1 winner for James Doyle in his new role as Wathnan's retained jockey.

"Kind Of Blue is a proper Blue Point--strong, compact and all speed," said Doyle, who is more familiar than most with Blue Point, having been in the saddle when the Godolphin runner completed the big sprint double at Royal Ascot in 2019. "He was always straightforward and honest to ride, and he has the physique and temperament I'd want in a sprint stallion. Winning the Champions Sprint at three shows how good he was early."

At four, Kind Of Blue produced his best effort when again occupying the runner-up spot in the Sprint Cup, with the five-year-old then returning to the winner's enclosure in September this year when landing a conditions race at Kempton.

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Kind Of Blue | *Racingfotos.com*

Kind Of Blue Cont.

Brown continued, "James Fanshawe and his team did a wonderful job with him, and full credit, too, to his breeders. He's a powerful animal with a real swing to him, and his long career at the top is testament to his constitution and soundness, as well as his temperament. He looks exactly what he is: a top class son of Blue Point."

Kind Of Blue was initially raced by his breeders, Mike and Michelle Morris and Jan and Peter Hopper. He is one of three winners from as many runners out of the unraced Compton Place mare Blues Sister, a full-sister to Deacon Blues and a half to The Tin Man (Equiano), both of whom were also trained by Fanshawe to win the Champions Sprint.

Deacon Blues was successful in 2011 when it was still run as a Group 2, while The Tin Man opened his Group 1 account in the 2016 edition, before also winning the Diamond Jubilee Stakes in 2017 and the Sprint Cup in 2018.

"It's excellent news that Kind Of Blue is going to stand at Newsells Park Stud," said Fanshawe. "Kind Of Blue picked up an injury as a yearling and didn't come into training until the middle of his two-year-old season, but he was always more mentally and physically developed than the rest of the family--that's the Blue Point in him.

"He was always so mature-looking and we entered him for the Commonwealth Cup before he'd even run. We chucked him in the deep end and he never looked back. I'm sure that anyone who goes to see him will be impressed by his power and tremendous athleticism."

For more information, and to arrange to inspect Kind Of Blue, breeders are encouraged to contact Newsells Park general manager Julian Dollar, who added, "Kind Of Blue is a great outcross for breeders--a different shade of speed. We're thrilled to be standing him.

"A champion Group 1-winning sprinter at three, and a son of the brilliant Blue Point--he's got so much going for him, and he's a hugely exciting stallion to secure for British breeders. He's so imposing, too--we can't wait to show him off. We're very grateful to Wathnan Racing for trusting us to stand Kind Of Blue at Newsells Park and look forward to supporting him strongly."

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HAWK MOUNTAIN RETIRES TO CULWORTH GROUNDS, FIRST SON OF WOOTTON BASSETT AT STUD IN BRITAIN



Hawk Mountain | *Culworth Grounds Farm*

Group 1-winning juvenile **Hawk Mountain** will become the first son of Wootton Bassett to stand at stud in Britain following his retirement to Culworth Grounds Farm, where he will stand for a fee of £10,000 in 2027.

The Futurity Trophy at Doncaster was one of three victories achieved by Hawk Mountain at two, with the others including the G2 Beresford Stakes at the Curragh, by over three lengths from the subsequent Group 3 winner Geryon (Lope De Vega). He then led home a one-two-three for the Aidan O'Brien stable on Town Moor, beating Action (Frankel) by half a length, with the top-class Benvenuto Cellini (Frankel) finishing nearly three lengths further back in third.

In 2026, Hawk Mountain returned with a fourth career triumph in the G3 Prix de Guiche at Chantilly, before filling the runner-up spot behind another stablemate, Constitution River (Wootton Bassett), in the G1 Prix du Jockey Club at the same venue. He also finished third behind that rival in the G1 Coral-Eclipse at Sandown. **Cont. p8**

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Group 1 winner Hawk Mountain retires to Culworth Grounds for 2027 | *Racingfotos.com*

Hawk Mountain Cont.

"We are absolutely delighted to welcome Hawk Mountain to Culworth Grounds," said Sophie Buckley, the owner of the Northamptonshire farm. "It's very exciting to be standing the first son of Wootton Bassett at stud here in the UK.

"He is a horse of tremendous quality, with a superb pedigree and a race record that we believe gives breeders plenty to get excited about. That combination of precocity, class and performance is exactly what we were looking for in a stallion prospect."

Hawk Mountain is out of the top-class Hydrangea (Galileo), whose four career victories included the G1 Matron Stakes and G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares Stakes. Hydrangea, in turn, is a full-sister to the the 1,000 Guineas and Irish 1,000 Guineas heroine Hermosa, plus the G1 Ranvet Stakes scorer The United States. Another sibling, Salsa, features as the dam of last year's G1 Pretty Polly Stakes and G1 Nassau Stakes winner Whirl, by Hawk Mountain's sire, Wootton Bassett.

Hawk Mountain will stand at Culworth Grounds alongside **El Caballo**, who remains at a fee of £4,000 for 2027, with his first yearlings having sold for up to 100,000gns in recent weeks.

Buckley added, "The team behind Hawk Mountain are committed to giving him the strongest possible start to his stud career. We intend to support him with quality mares of our own, invest in additional mares and actively promote his progeny as they progress towards the sales ring."

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'A PLEASURE TO TRAIN' - ZEUS OLYMPIOS RETIRED TO ACE STUD AT INTRODUCTORY FEE OF £8,000

High-class miler **Zeus Olympios** (Night Of Thunder) has been retired from racing and will take up stallion duties at Ace Stud for the 2027 breeding season. He will stand for an opening fee of £8,000.

Trained by Karl Burke, Zeus Olympios was unbeaten in four starts as a three-year-old, culminating with a decisive defeat of subsequent Group 1 winner Opera Ballo (Ghaiyyath) in the G2 Joel Stakes at Newmarket.

At four, the son of Night Of Thunder doubled his Group 2 tally with victory in the Summer Mile at Ascot, before passing the post just a neck behind Rayif (Sea The Moon) when second in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville. **Cont. p9**

Zeus Olympios Cont.

He was also third in the G1 Lockinge Stakes at Newbury, fourth in the G1 Queen Anne Stakes at Royal Ascot and third in the G2 Mile at Sandown.

"Zeus Olympios was always a horse with a great attitude and bundles of ability," said Burke. "We saw his explosive turn of foot on multiple occasions, including in some of the strongest mile races in Europe, and physically he has improved all the way through his racing career. He went within a neck of a Group 1 at Deauville, and he was a very worthy contender at the highest level. He has been a pleasure to train, and I believe he has the ability, class and temperament to make a stallion. I'm sure he'll do very well for Ace Stud."



Zeus Olympios | *Ace Stud*

The first foal out of the stakes-placed mare Rhea (Siyouni), Zeus Olympios was bred and raced by the late Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum. He is from the family of the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac runner-up Titian Time (Red Ransom) and G3 Queen Mary Stakes winner Shining Hour (Red Ransom), both out of the G1 Moyglare Stud Stakes third Timely (Kings Lake).

Paul Curran, bloodstock and racing manager at Ace Stud, said, "We are delighted to welcome Zeus Olympios to Ace Stud. He is a fast, genuine, high-class miler by the sire sensation Night Of Thunder, and he ran several outstanding races at the highest level. His pedigree should appeal, as he was bred on the same accomplished cross, a Dubawi-line sire over a Siyouni mare, as Erevann, Fairy Godmother and Zaydann, among others.

"At £8,000, we feel he offers excellent value, and he joins Shaquille and Lucky Vega on what is a very exciting young roster. We look forward to introducing him to breeders over the next few months." **Cont. p10**



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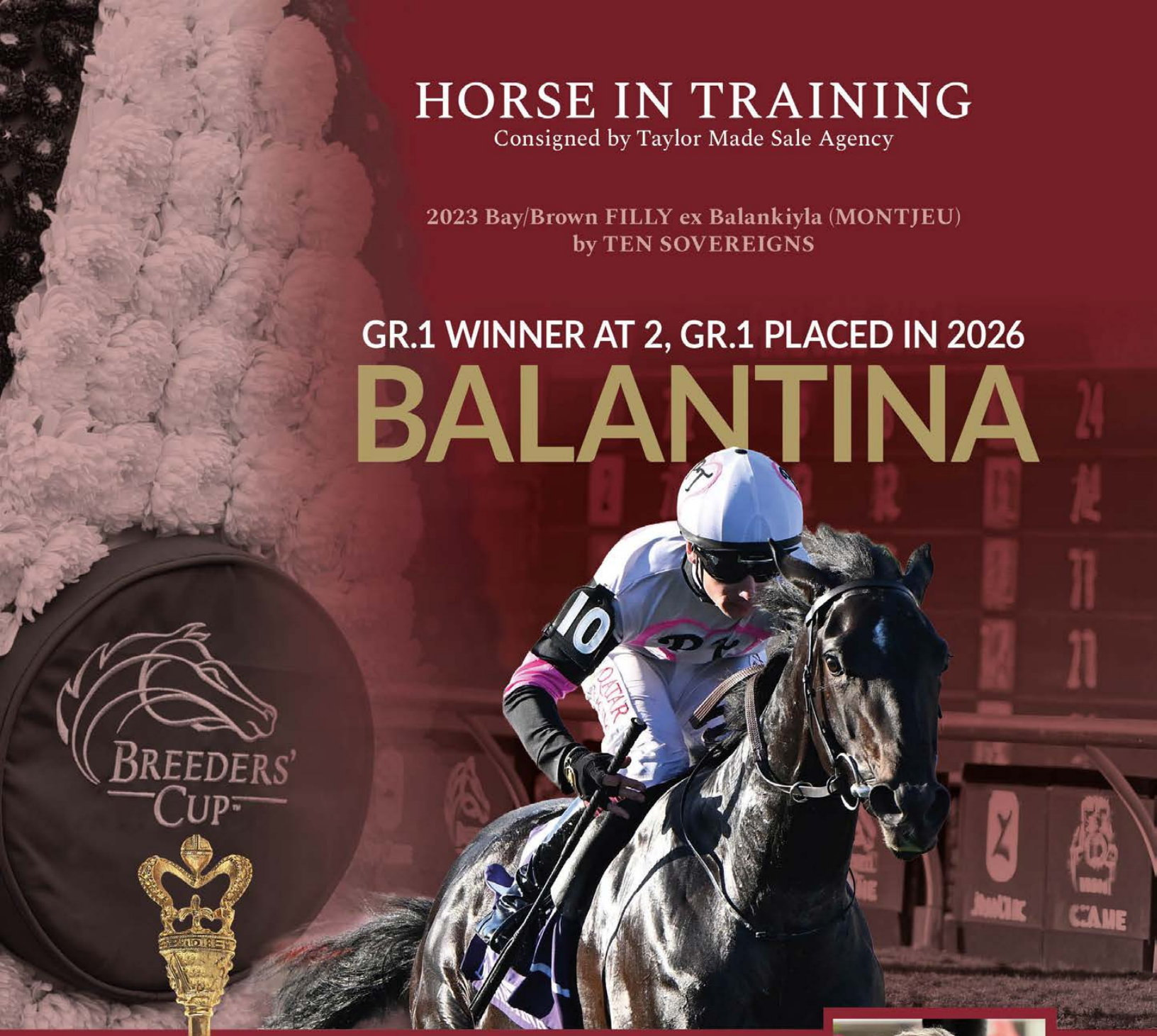
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Zeus Olympios will be available to view alongside Shaquille at Ace Stud, Dullingham during the Tattersalls December Sales, from Saturday, November 28 to Tuesday, December 1, with shows taking place on the hour between 10am and 3pm.

Lucky Vega returns from Australia later in December. To arrange a viewing, breeders are encouraged to contact the stud office after his return, or see him parade at Ace Stud during the Tattersalls February Sale.

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YEOMANSTOWN INTRODUCE BIG MOJO AT €10,000; DARK ANGEL DROPS TO LOWEST FEE SINCE 2013



Big Mojo | *Yeomanstown Stud*

Big Mojo (Mohaather), the winner of last year's G1 Sprint Cup at Haydock, will stand for €10,000 as the new name on the stallion roster at Yeomanstown Stud for 2027, while former champion sire **Dark Angel** will command his lowest fee since 2013 at €25,000.

Trained by Mick Appleby, Big Mojo also won the G3 Molecomb Stakes at Goodwood as a two-year-old, before returning the following year with victory in the G3 Commonwealth Cup Trial Stakes at Ascot. He later occupied the runner-up spot in the G1 July Cup at Newmarket, before making the breakthrough at the top level in winning the Sprint Cup. The four-year-old joins the stallion ranks at the County Kildare farm having registered his final career success in August when travelling to the Curragh to win the G3 Phoenix Sprint Stakes.

The most expensive stallion on the four-strong roster remains Dark Angel, albeit his fee has dropped again from the €45,000 he stood for during the latest season. Now 21, Dark Angel covered 103 mares at Yeomanstown in 2026, while it was another productive year for his progeny on the racecourse, most notably in the case of his triple Group 1 winner Almeraq, Europe's highest-rated sprinter following his triumphs in the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes, Sprint Cup and British Champions Sprint Stakes.

Meanwhile, **Sands Of Mali** remains at a fee of €22,500 for 2027, having been sent 244 mares in his debut season at Yeomanstown after relocating from Ballyhane Stud. Sunlit Uplands features among his five black-type performers to have emerged during the latest season, notably winning the G3 Hamburger Stuten Meile and twice finishing placed at Grade II level in the US, before being sold for $1.2 million at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November Sale.

The roster is completed by **Mill Stream**, who will stand for a reduced fee of €6,000 (from €10,000). Twenty-seven foals from the first crop of the July Cup winner remain catalogued to go through the ring at next week's Goffs November Sale.

"We are delighted to present a highly competitive and commercial roster for 2027," said Yeomanstown's David O'Callaghan. "Speed, precocity, and soundness are the core pillars of the Yeomanstown brand, and this line-up perfectly embodies that.

"Welcoming a champion sprinter of Big Mojo's calibre gives breeders a fantastic option, alongside a living legend in Dark Angel, the success of Sands Of Mali and a top-level July Cup winner in Mill Stream. We look forward to welcoming breeders for the upcoming season."

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STATE OF REST LEADS RATHBARRY STUD'S FOUR-STRONG ROSTER FOR 2027 AT €15,000

Rathbarry Stud has announced the 2027 fees for its four stallions, with **State Of Rest**, who is responsible for seven individual winners in Europe from his first crop of juveniles, including the 'TDN Rising Star' and G2 Lowther Stakes runner-up Star Of State, leading the way at €15,000.

It will be the second consecutive year at that fee for State Of Rest, while **Kodi Bear** also remains unchanged at €12,500, having been represented by nine black-type performers in Europe during the latest season. They include the G3 Round Tower Stakes winner Push The Boat Out, who was also beaten just a length and a half when finishing fourth in the G1 Middle Park Stakes.

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State Of Rest | *Emma Berry*

Rathbarry Cont.

The GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf hero **Unquestionable** will stand for a slightly reduced fee of €8,000 (from €10,000) after covering 100 mares in his debut season at Rathbarry in 2026, leaving **Bouttemont** to complete the roster at €4,000 (from €5,000). He will be represented by his first runners in 2027, with his yearlings having sold for up to 57,000gns.

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PHOENIX OF SPAIN LEADS IRISH NATIONAL STUD ROSTER AS 2027 FEES REMAIN STEADY

The 2027 fees for the three stallions on the Irish National Stud (INS) roster have remained as they were during the latest season, with CEO Cathal Beale acknowledging the "significant cost pressures" faced by breeders.

He added, "As ever, our priority is to provide breeders with the opportunity to make a profit on their stock while simultaneously producing high-quality racehorses.

"We look forward to welcoming breeders to Irish National Stud in the coming weeks and would like to take this opportunity to thank you all again for your support and assistance in 2026."

Heading the three-strong roster is the Irish 2,000 Guineas winner **Phoenix Of Spain**, who covered 122 mares when standing for €12,500 in 2026. On the racecourse, leading stayer Caballo De Mar has continued to fly the flag for his sire with two further Group 1 wins in the Prix Vicomtesse Vigier and Prix du Cadran, along with Haatem, who registered his sixth career success in the GIII Mint Millions Invitational Stakes.

Phoenix Of Spain offers "exceptional certainty, predictability and value to breeders", according to Beale, who added, "He has become that rare commodity; a consistent producer of above average runners that can reach the highest level, while simultaneously ensuring strong demand for his foals and yearlings."

The G1 Flying Five Stakes hero **Arizona Blaze** will also command a fee of €12,500 for the second consecutive year, having been sent 137 mares when embarking on his debut season at the Irish National Stud in 2026. They included the Irish 1,000 Guineas runner-up California Dreamer (Mehmas).

"He received strong support from Amo Racing, Robson Augiar, INS, Pier House, Lodge Park, Lynn Lodge, Newsells Park, Manister House, Bansha House, Barouche Stud and many more," said Beale.

"Excellent breeders sending exceptional mares, in measured quantity, to a truly outstanding-looking Group 1 sprinter is a recipe for immediate success. The foal sales in 2027 cannot come quickly enough."



Phoenix Of Spain | *Irish National Stud*

Joining Phoenix Of Spain and Arizona Blaze is the G3 Prix de Ris-Orangis winner and G1 Sprint Cup runner-up **Shouldvebeenaring**, with Beale encouraging breeders to "take a chance" on the son of Havana Grey at his unchanged fee of €6,000. He is set to be represented by 29 first-crop foals at next week's Goffs November Sale.

Beale continued, "With him, we are asking you to take a chance. Take a chance on Havana Grey, an exceptional stallion, an upgrader of mares, whose best crops all lie ahead.

"Take a chance on a racehorse, who ran 30 times in three seasons, amassing stakes wins at 2,3 and 4 and came within a neck of winning a Group 1. Take a chance on an exceptional and upwardly-mobile black-type pedigree.

"Most importantly, take a chance and look at his foals at Goffs and Tattersalls. You will find strong, well-bodied horses with exceptional movement, just like him. You will find 62% of them are brothers or sisters to black-type performers."

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5	126	Romantic Warrior (IRE)	HK



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THE NATIONAL STUD MAKES CUTS AS 2027 STALLION FEES ANNOUNCED



Diego Velazquez | *Debbie Burt*

The National Stud has announced the 2027 fees for its five-strong roster of stallions, with the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois winner **Diego Velazquez** dropping down to £12,500, having covered 126 mares when standing his first season at a fee of £17,500 in 2026.

Stradivarius remains unchanged at a fee of £10,000 and is so far responsible for two individual winners in Europe from his first crop of juveniles, including Wykehurst Park, who was last seen chasing home the subsequent Group 1 winner Drumbeat (Wootton Bassett) in the G3 Zetland Stakes at Newmarket. His two-year-old runners in 2027 will again be eligible for the £25,000 winners' bonus.

The multiple Group 1-winning sprinter **Bradsell** has had his fee reduced to £6,000, down from the £10,000 he commanded in his first two seasons at the National Stud. Four of his first foals remain catalogued to go under the hammer at next week's Goffs November Sale.

Lope Y Fernandez and **Rajasinghe** complete the roster at fees of £4,000 and £3,000, respectively. That represents a 33% decrease for Lope Y Fernandez, the sire of this year's G3 Prix Imprudence third Isle Of Fernandez, while Rajasinghe remains steady at £3,000. Luna A Inbhir Nis emerged as a new black-type performer for the son of Choisir when filling the runner-up spot in the G3 Coral Charge.

For further information or to discuss mating plans, breeders are encouraged to get in touch at stallions@nationalstud.co.uk.

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RASHABAR JOINS CASTILLON STALLIONS ROSTER AT €5,000; THUNDER MOON FEE DOUBLED TO €10,000

Castillon Stallions enters its second year of business in 2027 with a six-strong roster, including the newcomer **Rashabar** (Holy Roman Emperor), who has been introduced at a fee of €5,000.

"First and foremost, I would like to warmly thank the breeders who placed their trust in us during our inaugural breeding season in 2026," said Castillon Stallions founder Benoit Jeffroy. "The response to Castillon Stallions has been extremely encouraging and reinforces our commitment to building a boutique operation based on the quality of our stallions, close relationships with breeders and a long-term vision.

"We are equally committed to offering competitive stud fees that reflect the economic realities facing breeders, while giving our stallions every opportunity to succeed."

He continued, "For 2027, we are particularly delighted to welcome Rashabar, a horse with all the attributes to succeed at stud. Winner of the G2 Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot in June of his two-year-old season, he subsequently confirmed his class with runner-up finishes in the G1 Prix Morny and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere, finishing ahead of several subsequent Group 1 winners. Still competing at the highest level at three, he notably finished second in the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano over 2,000 metres.

"This son of Holy Roman Emperor combines precocity, top-class form and a powerful, well-conformed physique. We are proud that Sam Sangster and his partners chose Castillon to launch his stallion career." **Cont. p13**



Rashabar | *Zuzanna Lupa*

Castillon Stallions Cont.

The most expensive stallion on the Castillon roster is **Thunder Moon**, who has had his fee doubled to €10,000, with his first crop of two-year-old runners in Europe having so far yielded eight individual winners from only 21 runners. They include four black-type performers, headed by the Listed Grand Criterium de Bordeaux winner Sydney Moon and G3 Prix de Conde third Tortsanlot.

Marhaba Ya Sanafi and **Tribalist** both remain unchanged at €6,000 as they each embark on their second season at stud, while Thunder Moon's fellow freshman sire **Texas** has had his fee increased slightly to €4,000 (from €3,800). From 14 runners, he is responsible for four individual two-year-old winners in Europe.

The roster is completed by **Romanised**, the sire of this year's dual Group 3 winner Seguro for the Andreas Suborics stable in Germany. Romanised's 2027 fee has been reduced to €4,000 (from €5,000).

Jeffroy added, "We approach the new season with great enthusiasm and the same ambition: to support breeders in their plans and give each of our stallions every chance of success."

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WASHINGTON DC RISES TO £5,500 AS BEARSTONE STUD ANNOUNCE 2027 FEES



Washington DC | *Adam Houghton*

Washington DC, the sire of prolific sprinters including American Affair, Sondad and Washington Heights, has received an increase in fee at Bearstone Stud for 2027, with the son of Zoffany set to stand for £5,500 (from £3,500).

"Washington DC's progeny include tough, durable sprinters that improve year on year from two-year-olds up," said Bearstone owner Terry Holdcroft. "American Affair continued to fly the flag for him following his Group 1 Royal Ascot success last year, winning the Group 2 King George Qatar Stakes and finishing runner-up in the Group 1 Flying Five Stakes. Washington Heights also enjoyed another great season, adding four more black-type wins or places to his tally of nine, while Sondad gained his first black-type success."

Washington DC is joined at Bearstone by **Aesterius** and **Dream Ahead**. The latter will command a career-low fee of £4,500 (from £5,500), while Aesterius remains at £6,500 after covering 67 mares in his first season at stud in 2026.

Holdcroft continued, "We are excited to welcome the first foals by Aesterius next year. Support from breeders was very encouraging in his first season at Bearstone Stud, covering mares from our own quality broodmare band, including well-related black-type producers and performers, and mares from outside breeders who recognised his appeal.

"Completing the roster is Dream Ahead, a proven sire of nearly 70 stakes horses, [the winners of] £37 million in prize-money worldwide, and four Group 1 winners, including Bearstone's own triple Group 1-winning sprinter Glass Slippers. His reputation as a broodmare sire is also gathering momentum, with six Group 1 horses already produced out of his daughters.

"We believe our stallions offer breeders a combination of proven quality and exceptional value."

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SMART SPRINTER A'ALI ON THE MOVE TO GESTUT LUNZEN FOR 2027

Following five seasons at Newsells Park Stud, multiple Group-winning sprinter **A'Ali** has relocated to Gestut Lunzen for 2027 and will command a fee of €5,000.

Nikolas Schenke, stud manager at Gestut Lunzen, said, "We are thrilled to be bringing A'Ali to Germany. He was an exceptionally quick two-year-old, breaking his maiden in the G2 Norfolk Stakes and progressing to win the Group 2 Prix Robert Papin and G2 Flying Childers that summer, before adding the G2 Sapphire Stakes as a three-year-old to his CV.

"He offers a terrific source of speed to German breeders and we very much look forward to showing him to our clients."

A'Ali had his first two-year-old runners in 2025, including the G3 Prix du Bois runner-up Ali Shuffle and Listed Prix Herod third Alarming. In 2026, his second crop of juveniles has so far yielded eight individual winners in Europe, headed by Eve Johnson Houghton's dual winner Everatease.

Gary Coffey, racing and nominations manager at Newsells Park Stud, added, "A'Ali is an extremely classy horse. From day one with us he was a professional and clearly passes this on to his stock. Like him they are speedy and durable with a terrific attitude." **Cont. p14**



A'Ali | *Newsells Park Stud*

A'Ali Cont.

He added, "We are particularly pleased that he will be joining old friends of ours at Lunzen through Niko, stallion manager Thommy Witt, and our Arc winner Waldgeist. We wish them the very best with him."

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EVITA LEADS ARQANA VENTE D'ELEVAGE WILDCARD TRIO



Evita | *Scoop Dyga*

A trio of wildcards, including the group-placed **Evita** (lot 180), have been added to the Arqana Vente d'Elevage catalogue. The sale takes place from December 5-8 in Deauville.

The daughter of Persian King was third in the G2 Prix Saint-Alary and is a half-sister to multiple Group 1-placed Stunning Peach (Wootton Bassett) and the stakes-placed Mehmist (Mehmas).

Consigned by Carlos and Yann Learner, the filly is joined by Listed Prix Rose de Mai winner **Arkansas** (Sottsass) (lot 175) from the yard of Jerome Reynier. Rated 100, she is from the family of Group 1 winners Chriselliam (Iffraaj), Priory Belle (Priolo) and Opinion (Oasis Dream).

Rounding out the trio is Gerald Mosse's **Break Dance** (lot 150). The daughter of Too Darn Hot, rated 94, is out of Cask Secret (Ajaya), herself a half-sister to Wootton Bassett Group 1 winners Bucanero Fuerte and Wooded.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Friday, November 13, 2026:

FRANCE

Torquator Tasso (Ger) (Adlerflug {Ger}), Gestut Auenquelle
64 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-SAINT-CLOUD, 2000m, **Expressora (Fr)**

IRELAND

Dubawi Legend (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Starfield Stud
42 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
3-DUNDALK, 8f, **Rock On Johnny (Ire)**

Golden Pal (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford
204 foals of racing age/32 winners/3 black-type winners
1-DUNDALK, 6f, **Scolyer**
$180,000 Keeneland Association September Yearling Sale 2025



Jack Christopher has a runner at Dundalk | *Sarah Andrew*

Jack Christopher (Munnings), Coolmore Ashford
187 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
1-DUNDALK, 6f, **Sharpe Ratio**
$70,000 RNA Keeneland Association September Yearling Sale 2025; $85,000 Ocala Breeders' Sale Spring Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training 2026

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
99 foals of racing age/26 winners/2 black-type winners
1-DUNDALK, 6f, **Waysong (Ire)**
€75,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025; £25,200 RNA Tattersalls September Online Sale 2026

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN THE UAE:

Jeddaal (GB), g, 3, **Lope de Vega (Ire)**--Bustaan, by Distorted Humor. Abu Dhabi, 11-12, Hcp., 1400m, 1:23.25, gd. B-Godolphin (GB).

Inner City (Ire), g, 5, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Urban Fox (GB) (Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 91/2-11f, G1SW-Eng & Ire, G1SP-Fr, $607,413), by Foxwedge (Aus). Abu Dhabi, 11-12, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:35.83, gd. B-Barnane Stud, Ltd. (Ire). *1,100,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT; AED380,000 HRA '24 EMIMAR.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

AIDAN O'BRIEN EYES GROUP 1 RECORD WITH LAMBOURN

The $1.5-million Bahrain International Trophy has attained Group 1 status for the first time and drawn 12 horses from all over the world to compete on Friday. Aidan O'Brien, who is currently even with his previous mark of 28 Group 1 wins in a calendar year, has targeted the 2000-metre race with G1 Derby and G1 Irish Derby hero **Lambourn** (Australia).

Under the watchful eye of Cathy Grassick and Mick Flanagan, the entire has been training well in Bahrain and he will be ridden by Ryan Moore from stall nine.

"We've brought a very good horse who has enjoyed a nice little refreshing break since his run at Leopardstown [last of eight in Irish Champion Stakes]," said Flanagan.

"Seeing Pat [Keating's] smiling face after his work tells us it's all systems go and I hope we can break this record.

"The long sweeping track will suit him as he stays all day and also has a turn of foot. He should go well."

One of the stiffest challengers of the Coolmore partners entry is last year's winner, **Royal Champion** (Shamardal), who represents the executors of the late Sheikh Mohammed Obaid and trainer Karl Burke. A winner of the G1 Neom Turf Cup this February, the eight-year-old gelding has been fourth in both the G1 QEII Cup in Hong Kong in April and the G2 York Stakes in July.

Burke said, "They tell me that 11 is a lucky stall. It wouldn't have been my first choice, but we've got a bit of pace next to us with Lambourn and Galen, and they should go forward. He was our first Group winner outside of Europe when winning here and our first runner in Hong Kong. We had to back off him and get him ready for a summer campaign [after Hong Kong]. We got him to York where he needed the run, and after that I thought he's a horse that needs to run fresh. That said, from the day we left here we were looking forward to coming back."

Another to watch is Imad Al Sagar's **Baroud** (Frankel), who is trained by Andre and Lavinia Fabre. The three-year-old colt won the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano in August and has been off since.

Teddy Grimthorpe, racing manager to owner Imad Al Sagar, said, "We are really excited, I know Imad is thrilled to bring his homebred son of Frankel here. After he won in Deauville, Imad wanted to go for a Group 1 and so the plan was made to come to Bahrain and I think that you just have to find out and why not find out in such a race as this."

Godolphin and Charlie Appleby are represented by **Military Order** (Frankel), who found the Listed Diamond Stakes his for the taking in September. The six-year-old gelding ran third in the Bahrain International Trophy when it was still a Group 2 last year. **Cont. p16**



Lambourn | *Racingfotos.com*



Wimbledon Hawkeye | *Racingfotos.com*

G1 Bahrain International Trophy Preview Cont.

Said Godolphin's managing director Hugh Anderson, "First and foremost he's an extremely well-bred horse that Charlie always thought had lots of potential. He felt he would get better as he got older, which has proved the case, and he's been prepared for this as well as he possibly could be.

"The draw [stall five] will be OK for him and we think the way this race has developed is a great credit to Bahrain. We will always support it if we possibly can."

Hugo Palmer runs both GI Saratoga Derby hero **Glacius** (Too Darn Hot) from stall six and **Seagulls Eleven** (Galileo Gold) has drawn the rail.

"I think he needs to raise his game again – his two runs in America were very good, but he probably needs to find a slightly new level in Bahrain," Palmer said of Glacius. "But he's a lightly-raced, young, improving horse, so I don't see why he can't find that new level.

"He's not a confirmed front-runner by any means – we made the running in Saratoga just because we'd been through the race and we couldn't see any pace. We've been very happy with him out in the Kingdom now as well. He's travelled over great and training nicely out there."

Palmer's other entrant, Seagulls Eleven, was most recently third to the reopposing **Wimbledon Hawkeye** (Kameko) in the G2 Prix Dollar on Arc weekend.

"His last run was great," he said. I was delighted with how he ran in the Prix Dollar and I think he's getting used to stretching out now. I think the angle with him I suppose is that he's unexposed at this new trip – he's only had one run beyond a mile and he ran very well.

"He wasn't far behind Wimbledon Hawkeye, who I expect will be favourite for this race, so he doesn't have a lot to find with him and if he improves and goes well again over the trip you never know. We might be in the mix."

Gulf Of Bahrain Cup Well Supported

The $400,000 Gulf of Bahrain Cup sponsored by Finpro attracted a bevy of overseas raiders and there is a distinctive Irish flavour to proceedings. Willie Mullins is sending both **Gaucher** (Frankel) and **The Reverend** (Lope De Vega) into battle in this 2800-metre turf affair. The former will leave from stall 10 and is the mount of William Buick, while the latter will have the services of Ryan Moore, and sports several handicap victories in both the UK and Ireland. He has the fence.

Other leading Irish NH trainers Gordon Elliott and Henry de Bromhead are also represented with **Samui** (Siyouni) under James Doyle from stall eight for the former; and Royal Ascot hero **Ascending** (Awtaad) is the mount of Clifford Lee. Bromhead's Ascending will leave from stall 13.

De Bromhead said, "He's travelled over fine, worked nicely this morning [Wednesday] and must have a good chance, considering how unlucky he was at York."

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TDN EUROPE/INTERNATIONAL BLACK-TYPE ENTRIES

Friday, Bahrain Turf Club, Bahrain, 17:35

BAHRAIN INTERNATIONAL TROPHY-G1, $1,500,000, 3yo/up, 2000T

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	10	Calif (Ger)	Areion (Ger)	Nass	De La Sayette	128
2	2	Galen (GB)	Gleneagles (Ire)	J. O'Brien	Browne McMonagle	128
3	4	Hi Royal (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Abdulmajeed	Probert	128
4	9	Lambourn (Ire)	Australia (GB)	A. O'Brien	Moore	128
5	5	Military Order (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Appleby	Buick	128
6	3	Phineas (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	A & L Fabre	Guyon	128
7	11	Royal Champion (Ire)	Shamardal	Burke	Lee	128
~~8~~	~~13~~	~~Sallaal (Ire)~~	~~Frankel (GB)~~	~~SCR~~	~~SCR~~	~~SCR~~
9	1	Seagulls Eleven (Ire)	Galileo Gold (GB)	Palmer	Doyle	128
10	7	Wimbledon Hawkeye (GB)	Kameko	Scott	Soumillion	128
11	12	Zaydann (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Graffard	Barzalona	128
12	8	Baroud (GB)	Frankel (GB)	A & L Fabre	Boudot	124
13	6	Glacius (GB)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Palmer	Loughnane	124

Aidan O'Brien is chasing a record 29th Group/Grade 1 win in 2026, and Derby and Irish Derby hero **Lambourn** could be the horse that would take him to that mark. Booked in stall nine in the 12-horse field, the entire will only appreciate the rain that arrived on Wednesday, 48 hours out from the race. Lambourne isn't the only European raider hoping to capitalise in Bahrain, with Joseph O'Brien saddling last year's runner-up **Galen**. Andre and Lavinia Fabre bring Group 3 hero **Phineas** and Group 2 scorer **Baroud**. A horse with a Grade I victory in the U.S. this term, **Glacius**, will represent the Hugo Palmer yard from stall 13.

Saturday, Milan, Italy, 14:35

ST LEGER ITALIANO-G3, €88,000, 3yo/up, 2000T

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	3	Al Qareem (Ire)	Awtaad (Ire)	K. Burke	C. Lee	128
2	4	Almenkonig (Ger)	Millowitsch (Ger)	A. Wohler	E. Pedroza	128
3	5	Amico (Ger)	Camelot (GB)	H. Grewe	D. Di Tocco	128
4	7	Anno Solero (Ger)	Best Solution (Ire)	C. Bocskai	A. Ricupa	120
5	2	Baas (Ger)	Millowitsch (Ger)	H. Grewe	L. Wolff	128
6	6	Flag's Up (Ire)	War Command	S. Botti	M. Arras	128
7	1	Naisha (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	B. Grizzetti	D. Vargiu	125
8	8	Saint Valantin (Ger)	Best Solution (Ire)	M. Weiss	S. Vogt	128
9	9	Tactician (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	A. Balding	J. Doyle	128

Karl Burke's **Al Qareem** is hoping to capitalise on Saturday with this cut back in trip. He ran a solid third in the G3 St Simon Stakes in October and kept on to win the Listed Goliath Cup Stakes earlier this season. Andrew Balding's **Tactician** is one who could rebound significantly over this sorter trip. Another shortening up is Carmen Bocskai's **Anno Solero**, third in a listed affair in Germany last month. This will be the gelding's first try at 2000 metres or shorter since running fourth in a Hamburg contest in July. Outclassed in the Cesarewitch Handicap at Newmarket on October 10, he leaves from post nine. **Flag's Up** is one of two Italian hopes in the final Italian Classic of the year from the yard of Stefano Botti. He ran on late to take fifth in the G3 Premio Federico Tesio last out in October and could be closer on Saturday.

Saturday, Milan, Italy, post time: 15:50

PREMIO VITTORIO DI CAPUA-G2, €264,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	PP	Horse	Sire	Trainer	Jockey	Wt
1	4	Asker (Ger)	Aclaim (Ire)	H. Grewe	L. Wolff	123
2	8	Crown Board (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	J. Chapple-Hyam	M. Ghiani	127
3	10	Diego Ventura (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	H. Al Jehani	J. Doyle	127
4	2	Grand Son Of Dark (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	C. Brivio Sforza	A. Satta	123
5	5	Kabir (Ire)	Far Above (Ire)	C. Brivio Sforza	D. Di Tocco	127
6	6	Luna Rae (Ire)	Sea The Moon (Ger)	S. Plavac	S. Sulas	123
7	11	Native Warrior (GB)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	K. Burke	C. Lee	127
8	9	New Emerald (Ger)	Protectionist (Ger)	M. Weiss	S. Vogt	127
9	1	Next Mine (Ger)	Dabirsim (Fr)	W. Hickst	D. Vargiu	127
10	3	Sommersby (Ger)	Amaron (GB)	A. Wohler	E. Pedroza	127
11	7	Steller's Sea (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	S. Botti	F. Branca	123

Making his first start for Cristiana Brivio Sforza, **Grand Son Of Dark** will attempt to capture his first Group 2 here. A Group 3 winner over this course in October, his task is not an easy one with several in this test who could cause the upset. Foreign raiders are plentiful, with Jane Chapple-Hyam's **Crown Board** eyeing his fourth straight win. After victories at Ascot and Bro Park, he turned in a victory over 1400 metres here in the G3 Premio Ribot Memorial Loreto Luciani last month. Karl Burke's **Native Warrior** won the G3 Ballycorus Stakes in June and could be dangerous locally with a class break after contesting the G1 City Of York Stakes in August.

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