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Ger Lyons | Racing Post

by Daithi Harvey

There seems to be something about the life of a journeyman jump jockey that equips one with many of the life skills that are required to become a top-class flat trainer. In Britain, the likes of Richard Fahey, Roger Varian, Tom Dascombe, Clive Cox and David O'Meara all plied their original trade with varying degrees of success before elevating their training careers to the upper echelons. In Ireland, Ger Lyons has trodden a similar path and having hung up his riding boots after a 50-win career, he has, over the last 20 years, built up his Glenburnie Stables from scratch to be one of Ireland's top flat yards. 2015 was his most successful season to date, with 65 winners and over €1.6m in prizemoney, figures that put him in fourth position in the Irish trainers' championship.

While delighted to be where he is, Lyons admits, "It puts pressure on us to be in the top three this year because if you're not improving each year then others will overtake you."

Like most who start at the bottom, Lyons would train anything he could get when he started out; flat horses, hurdlers, chasers, they all came alike and it was over jumps that he notched his first Grade 1 victory when Big And Bold won the Powers Gold Cup at Fairyhouse in 2002. He made a decision soon after that to concentrate on training flat horses amid suggestions from fellow trainers that he was 'mad' to try and take on the battalions of Ballydoyle, Weld, Bolger, Oxx, etc. But, Ger Lyons had a plan.

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PRECIOUS GEM TO THE BREEDING SHED

Group 1 winner **Precious Gem (Aus)** (Econsul {NZ}--Gem of Gems, {Aus}, by Peintre Celebre) has been retired from racing to begin a new chapter as a broodmare. The Henry Dwyer-trained 6-year-old ran her final race last Saturday when finishing seventh in the G1 Tattersall's Club Tiara behind Miss Cover Girl (Aus) (Monashee Mountain). She had previously landed the G1 UBET Classic at Morphettville in May before she was offered for sale as a racing and breeding prospect at the Magic Millions Gold Coast Sale where she was purchased by the China Horse Club for A\$825,000.

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IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

PEDIGREE INSIGHTS: LORD NELSON

Andrew Caulfield investigates Saturday's GI Triple Bend S. hero Lord Nelson (Pulpit), who was winning his first top-level contest in that Santa Anita Park feature. The Spendthrift-owned 4-year-old is a member of Pulpit (A.P. Indy)'s penultimate crop. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.



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Extremely single-minded and confident in his own abilities, Lyons decided the only way to develop a business that could eventually take on the establishment would be to avail of the lucrative Hong Kong and American markets for horses with proven smart form.

"I actually hated training jumpers," said Lyons. "I got no buzz out of it as the timeline of events for me was just too long. I thought to myself, if I'm going to work this hard and put so much effort into it, I want to enjoy it. The selling angle to it was a means to an end. At the time Aidan [O'Brien] was and still is ruling the roost. I was finishing second to him quite a bit and I thought, well they can't buy Aidan's, but they can buy mine. We had to do that firstly to survive and also in order to build up the kitty to go back to the yearling sales to reinvest, hopefully in a better type of horse each year. It has taken the guts of 20 years to get to this level."

When asked if he has moved away from that modus operandi Lyons countered, "Not necessarily, but if you want to buy off me now it might cost a bit more."

One of the reasons for this is the quality of horse that Lyons has sold on to other jurisdictions. Gold-Fun (Ire) (Le Vie Dei Colori {GB}) won a 3-year-old maiden at Naas in two runs for the trainer in 2013 when called Strada Colorato, before selling to Hong Kong where he has banked over €5m in prizemoney and was recently seen finishing a close second to Twilight Son (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) in the G1 Golden Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot. He was originally a 10,000gns yearling purchase by Lyons, therein lies the business model. Other ex-Lyons horses to become high achievers abroad include Santa Anita Grade III winner Pasar

Silbano (Ire) (Elnadim) and Watsdachances (Ire) (Diamond Green {Fr}), winner of the GI Beverley D. S. at Arlington last year.

In Ireland, Gold-Fun ran in the now familiar blue and white colours of Sean Jones, who has become not just a major owner at Glenburnie, but also a confidante and friend of the trainer. His two young children are a regular sight at the races fully bedecked in their own racing silks complete with helmet and whip and you get the impression that one of these days they

will be getting a leg up in the parade ring instead of just looking the part.

"I'd love to win a Group 1 in those colours, if anyone deserves it Sean does," Lyons commented. "It's funny, because we are chalk and cheese as people, he doesn't interfere in the training and I don't interfere in his business and it just works. He is a



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once in a lifetime owner for me and I'm very grateful for all he's done."

Lyons and Jones have combined over the years to great success, mostly with yearlings that were bought at a working man's price. Stakes winners for the pair in recent years include

> Love Lockdown (Ire) (Verglas {Ire}), Dohasa (Ire) (Bold Fact) and Exogenesis (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)), subsequently renamed Mr Genuine upon his sale to Hong Kong. Jones and Lyons also hit a home run with Cappella Sansevero (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), a 25,000gns yearling purchase from Tattersalls in Newmarket. Lyons trained the smart juvenile to win the Listed Marble Hill S. at The Curragh in 2014 en route to offering him at the inaugural Goffs London Sale. Qatar Racing paid £1.3m for the colt before seeing him run an



unlucky second to The Wow Signal (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) in the G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot the following day, a result that still rankles with the trainer over what he felt was a less than vintage Jamie Spencer ride. The result however did little to hinder the burgeoning alliance between Lyons and the Qatar Racing team, headed by Sheikh Fahad Al Thani. Cont. p3

High Achiever Hungry for More Cont.

Recalling how this relationship was formed, Lyons explained, "David Redvers rang me up [back in 2010] to ask if a certain horse I had would suit his new client. I said it would and they bought him and thankfully he went and won and was placed in a few group races before we sold him to Hong Kong."

The horse was called Wade Giles (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}) before a name change saw him become Destined For Glory under which he landed the G2 Cathay Pacific Jockey Club Mile at Sha Tin for trainer John Moore in 2011. Further success came for Lyons and Sheikh Fahad's Pearl Bloodstock in 2011. It was their Lightening Pearl (Ire) (Marju {Ire}) who provided the trainer with his solitary Group 1 victory so far, when winning the G1 Cheveley Park S. at Newmarket in 2011.

"I was very black and white with Sheikh Fahad from the beginning, we had a plan and we stuck to it and thankfully it's working out," continued Lyons. "They give me the opportunity to train Galileos and other beautifully bred horses, so I'm glad to be one of a number of trainers they use. But now they've sent Joseph [O'Brien] a horse, so that will really keep the rest of us on our toes."

For someone so forthright with their opinions, Lyons claims he doesn't usually do interviews, though he was happy to make an exception for such an esteemed publication. One of the reasons



Endless Drama | Racing Post

for this, was his early adoption of social media and a website which, among other things, aims to keep the public informed over running plans and the well-being of his string. Lyons was probably the

first Irish trainer to use Twitter and his openness to such tools sees him provide a blog on his website whenever he has a runner. For anyone familiar with his blog, they will know that Lyons also utilizes it to air any grievances or bug bears he may have about Irish racing issues, ranging from going descriptions to race planning.

Concluded Lyons, "To be honest, I was getting annoyed at being misrepresented by some journalists that would ring me up to ask how a horse was going to run, so in the end I decided to write it for all to see and it seems to work better. It also gives me the opportunity to get some things off my chest."

Lyons had high hopes of adding a second Group 1 win to his CV at Royal Ascot, however Endless Drama (Ire) (Lope De Vega

{Ire}) got bogged down in the G1 Queen Anne S. behind Tepin (Bernstein). The trainer still retains his faith in the imposing 4-year-old and along with a powerful squad of juveniles, including the likes of Psychedelic Funk (GB) (Choisir {Aus}) and G2 Railway S. winner Medicine Jack (GB) (Equiano {Fr}), surely that elusive second Group 1 win will not be long in coming.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

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DEAUVILLE TARGET FOR GOLD-FUN

Hong Kong stalwart Gold-Fun (Ire) (Le Vie Dei Colori (GB)), who began his career in Ireland with Ger Lyons, will remain in Europe for the summer, with the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville his main target. Despite earning over €5m in prizemoney, the Richard Gibson-trained 7-year-old has yet to win a Group 1, though he came agonisingly close in the



Richard Gibson pictured at Royal Ascot | Racing Post

G1 Diamond Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot when beaten a neck into second by Twilight Son (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) earlier this month. Gibson, who trained in France before embarking on his career in Hong Kong, feels the Deauville race will suit the Sutong Pan-owned gelding.

"I know the French programme well and the Maurice de Gheest is a very unique distance, running 1300 metres down a straight," Gibson told South China Morning Post. "After finishing off so strongly over 1200m at Royal Ascot, I think that extra 100m will suit him. The feeling is that there aren't many options in Hong Kong for him anymore, it's a little sharp for him over 1200m at Sha Tin, but the variations in Europe are well suited for him."

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ECLIPSE FIELD TAKING SHAPE

The field for Saturday's G1 Coral Eclipse at Sandown has grown to a potential 11 starters, with two supplementary entries added on Monday. One of these is the Godolphin-owned Royal Ascot winner Hawkbill (Kitten's Joy). The 3-year-old colt is on a



Hawkbill | Racing Post

serious upward curve, having won his last five starts and he looked like his progression had not halted when winning the G3 Tercentenary S. at Royal Ascot.

John Ferguson, Godolphin's chief executive and racing manager said, "Charlie [Appleby] is very happy with

how Hawkbill has been training since Ascot. He is taking a step up, but we feel he deserves to take his chance."

Clive Cox will be hoping My Dream Boat (Ire) (Lord Shanakill) will prove his shock victory over 'TDN Rising Star' Found (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) in Royal Ascot's G1 Prince Of Wales's S. was no fluke, especially given his ability to handle soft ground, which is looking more likely for Saturday's card.

Aidan O'Brien has four horses engaged with The Gurkha (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) appearing to be the first string. He looked top class when spread-eagling the field in the G1 Poule D'Essai des Poulains at Deauville, before succumbing to Galileo Gold (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}) and a vintage Frankie Dettori ride in the G1 St James's Palace S. at Ascot.

Speaking at The Curragh, O'Brien said, "The Gurkha will do a bit at the start of the week and we'll make a decision then, there's definitely a chance he could show up at Sandown."

Roger Charlton has supplemented Countermeasure (GB) (American Post {GB}) to act as a pacemaker for his classy stablemate Time Test (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). Charlton has long maintained Khalid Abdullah's 4-year-old requires good or faster ground to show his best, but Sandown's clerk of the course, Andrew Cooper, delivered bad news for Charlton on Monday saying, "It's due to be unsettled midweek, we're due to stay dry until mid-Tuesday afternoon and then for the next 48 hours we are forecast at least two, possibly three bands of rain where we could get between 10-20mm. It is then due to dry up Friday into Saturday, but by then we could be back to predominantly soft ground."

Roger Charlton is philosophical about the ground situation and commented, "I am keen to run if we can, If it is good to soft so be it. There is nothing else for him to run in so the chances are he will turn up."

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ANOTHER CLASSIC IN STORE FOR VERDON

Red Verdon (Lemon Drop Kid), a fast finishing fourth in the G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby, is to be trained for the G1 Ladbrokes St Leger at Doncaster in September. The Ed Dunlop-trained colt finished eight lengths closer to Harzand (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) on Saturday than he did when finishing sixth at Epsom and he failed by just a short head to grab third place



Red Verdon | Racing Post

from Jim Bolger's Stellar Mass (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}).

"He has come out of his race very well and arrived back here safely at La Grange," said Dunlop. "The aim is more than likely the St Leger now, with the [G2] Great Voltigeur [at York]

possibly a stepping stone to it beforehand."

Red Verdon appeared to lack some tactical speed mid-race before staying on strongly in the closing stages, which suggests a further step up in trip would play to his strengths.

Dunlop continued, "Red Verdon ran very well in the Irish Derby, but it was frustrating that he did not get third place. On the bare form, he has improved nearly eight lengths on his Derby run, but I feel if he hadn't got quite so far back, he would have been third."

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BAMFORD PAIR PARIS BOUND

Lady Bamford's high class homebred full-brothers Eagle Top (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) and Wings Of Desire (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) have been penciled in for separate Group 1 French missions over the next few weeks. Eagle Top, just touched off by Postponed (Ire)



Wings Of Desire | Racing Post

(Dubawi {Ire}) in last year's King George VI & Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot, has been performing below par in recent runs and will bid to bounce back to his best in Sunday's G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud.

"Eagle Top is going

to run in the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, ground permitting," said Hugo Lascelles, Lady Bamford's racing manager. "That's what we are aiming for and after that we will just take it one step at a time with him." Cont. p5

Bamford Pair Paris Bound Cont.

Wings Of Desire, trained like his brother by John Gosden, was last seen in action when finishing fourth in the G1 Investec Derby, having previously landed the G2 Betfred Dante S. at York and he too has a French Grand Prix on the agenda, the Paris version in July.

"Wings Of Desire goes for the [G1] Grand Prix de Paris on July 14," said Lascelles. "He has not done much since the Derby, but he is in good form. The key to him is better ground and we won't be running him if it's soft."

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BOGART TEAM KEEN ON BELMONT

There could be significant European interest at Belmont July 9 with the news that **Beacon Rock (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Humphrey Bogart (Ire)** (Tagula {Ire}) have both received invitations to run in the GI Belmont Derby. Beacon Rock is a tough consistent colt and the Ballydoyle 3-year-old ran his usual game race last time when second in the G2 King Edward VII S. at Royal Ascot. The Richard Hannon-trained Humphrey Bogart



Humphrey Bogart | Racing Post

finished just over two lengths behind Beacon Rock that day and James Ramsden, representative of owners Chelsea Thoroughbreds indicated they were keen to take up the challenge.

Speaking to the *Racing Post*, Ramsden said, "We are pretty

keen on going. It's exciting to be invited to such a race, so we're just working through the logistics of it at the moment with Richard Hannon. There's 10 people involved in the horse and it's a great thrill for the owners. An invitation like this isn't going to come along every day, so it's great for the syndicate."

Aidan O'Brien could also be represented in the GI Belmont Oaks on the same day with **Alice Springs (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who has received an invitation along with the Jim Bolger trained **Turret Rocks (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) and Dermot Weld's **Simannka (Ire)** (Mastercraftsman {Ire}).

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BRITAIN



Monday's Results:

2nd-PON, £18,000, Cond, 6-27, 2yo, 6fT, 1:17.68, g/f. LOVE DREAMS (IRE) (c, 2, Dream Ahead--Kimola (Ire) (Ch. 3-year-old Fill-Sca, MSW-Swe & MSP-Nor, \$146,166}, by King's **Theatre (Ire))**, who impressed when graduating over this trip at Hamilton on debut last time June 15, was fastest into stride and led throughout this "Spindrifter" conditions heat. Nudged along rounding the home turn, the 8-11 chalk kept on strongly under whipless rousting in the straight and stretched out to score by an easy five lengths from Bold Phantom (Exchange Rate). Out of Scandinavian champion distaffer Kimola (Ire) (King's Theatre {Ire}), the 42,000gns TAOCT yearling is kin to a yearling filly, also by Dream Ahead, and G3 Leopardstown 2000 Guineas Trial third Whipless (Ire) (Whipper). His second dam, La Mortola (Ire) (Bold Lad (Ire)), is an unraced half to G1 Irish 1000 Guineas-winning champion and black-type producer Katies (Ire) (Nonoalco), whose descendants include G1SW Japanese champions Sleepless Night (Jpn) (Kurofune) and Admire Moon (Jpn) (End Sweep). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$20,346. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Crone Stud Farms Ltd; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-M. Johnston.

2nd-MUS, £**6,500**, **Cond**, 6-27, 2yo, 7f 30yT, 1:30.29, g/s. MONTICELLO (IRE) (c, 2, Teofilo {Ire}--Towards, by Fusaichi Pegasus), who accounted for Godolphin's well-regarded €450,000 purchase Celestial Spheres (Ire) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) on debut over seven furlongs at Sandown June 10, was sent straight to the lead as he had been on that occasion despite his six-pound penalty. Steadily applying the pressure inside the final quarter mile, the €65,000 GOFORB yearling was far too strong for his overmatched rivals and stayed on strongly to secure a five-length verdict over Wigan Warrior (GB) (Doncaster Rover) as the 5-6 favourite. A half-brother to the G2 Queen Mary S. third One Chance (Ire) (Invincible Spirit (Ire)), the winner's dam is a half-sister to the G1 Cheveley Park S. runner-up Imperfect Circle (Riverman) whose progeny include Spinning World. That G1 Irish 2000 Guineas and GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero and sire's half-sister Visions of Clarity (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) is in turn the dam of the G1 Vincent O'Brien National S. scorer Pathfork (Distorted Humor), with this Niarchos dynasty also featuring the G1 Phoenix S. heroine Aviance (Ire) (Northfields), the MGISW sire Denon and MG1SW European highweight Chimes of Freedom (Private Account). The latter went on to supply the MGISW champion sprinter and sire Aldebaran and the GI Atto Mile-winning sire Good Journey. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$11,362. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Dr J Walker; B-Mrs C Regalado-Gonzalez (IRE); T-M. Johnston.

British Report Cont.

6th-WOL, £5,000, Mdn, 6-27, 2yo, 7f 32y (AWT), 1:30.08, st. +EUGINIO (IRE) (c, 2, Fastnet Rock {Aus}--Starstone {GB}, by Diktat {GB}), a 155,000gns TATOCT yearling, was a drifter out to 10-1 before the off and despite bumping his next-door neighbour exiting the stalls, showed dash to race in a close-up second. Sent to the front with over two furlongs remaining, the bay was admirably professional and answered every call to score by a length from Hurricane Rush (Ire) (Helmet {Aus}). Starstone, who has already produced the listed winner Handassa (GB) from a mating with Dubawi (Ire), has a yearling full-brother to this winner to come. She is a half-sister to the top-class pair of Bahamian Bounty sprinters and sires Pastoral Pursuits (GB) and Goodricke (GB), successful in the G1 July Cup and G1 Haydock Sprint Cup respectively. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,423. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Saleh Al Homaizi & Imad Al Sagar; B-Arkle Bloodstock (IRE); T-Richard Hannon.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Paco's Angel (GB), f, 2, Paco Boy (Ire)--Papabile (MSW-Eng), by Chief's Crown. WSR, 6-27, 5f 10yT, 1:00.97. B-Biddestone Stud Ltd (GB).

Nightingale Valley (GB), f, 3, Compton Place (GB)--Dancing Storm (GB), by Trans Island (GB). WSR, 6-27, 6fT, 1:13.53. B-M Harris (GB).

Alyssa (GB), f, 3, Sir Percy (GB)--Almiranta (GB), by Galileo (Ire). WOL, 6-27, 12f 50y (AWT), 2:38.91. B-Kirsten Rausing (GB). *1/2 to Alea lacta (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), GSW-Fr.

FRANCE



Monday's Results:

2nd-LCR, €**20,000, Mdn, 6-27**, 3yo, 12 1/2fT, 2:48.08, vsf. PRASKOVIA (IRE) (f, 3, Manduro {Ger}--Petrushka {Ire} {Ch. 3yo Filly-Eur, G1SW-Eng, Fr & Ire, \$546,923}, by Unfuwain), a lastout third going just under 10 furlongs at Chateaubriant May 28, led throughout this stamina test. Coming under pressure when threatened in early straight, the crowd's 8-5 choice was ridden out inside the final 300 metres to easily account for Painter's Muse (GB) (Smart Strike) by 1 1/4 lengths. Praskovia is a half to the stakes-placed Parlour Games (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), who transferred his ability to the top level over jumps, the 2-year-old colt Folk Art (Ire) (Raven's Pass) and a colt foal by Shamardal. They are out of MG1SW European champion Petrushka (Ire) (Unfuwain), herself out of a winning half-sister to G1 Irish 2000 Guineas-winning sire Spectrum (Ire) (Rainbow Quest). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, €12,400. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley (IRE); T-Andre Fabre.

1st-LCR, €**20,000, Mdn**, 6-27, 3yo, 12 1/2fT, 2:47.17, vsf. FIXED RATE (GB) (c, 3, Oasis Dream (GB)--Pretty Face (GB), by Rainbow Quest), who hit the board going 12 furlongs at Dieppe last time June 8, asserted for the early lead and maintained control thereafter. Poaching a decisive advantage when stoked up on the home turn, the even-money favourite was safely clear passing the eighth pole and ridden out to comfortably hold Lac Kivu (Fr) (Sakhee) by a half-length. Fixed Rate, who his half to the 2-year-old colt Vis a Vis (GB) (Dansili {GB}), is the second winner out of an unraced half to a swathe of black-type performers, including MG1SW highweights Elmaamul (Diesis (GB)) and Reams of Verse (Nureyev), herself the dam of two stakes winners and granddam on G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. runner-up Zacinto (GB) (Dansili {GB}). His granddam in an unraced half-sister to G3 Seaton Delaval S. victress Zaizafon (The Minstrel), dam of Juddmonte sires Zafonic (Gone West) and Zamindar (Gone West). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, €18,750. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB); T-David Smaga.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lady Alienor (Ire), f, 3, Elusive Quality--Lady Aquitaine (GSP-Eng), by El Prado (Ire). AXB, 6-26, 12 1/2fT, 2:41.90. B-All Along LLC (IRE). *1/2 to Lady of Kyushu (Smart Strike), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$151,021.

New Amsterdam (Fr), g, 3, New Approach (Ire)--Flower Bowl (Fr), by Anabaa. AXB, 6-26, 10fT, 2:02.60. B-Berend van Dalfsen (FR).

Talismana (Ire), f, 3, Pour Moi (Ire)--Acqua Verde (GB), by King's Best. LCR, 6-27, 8fT, 1:56.51. B-Frederic Bianco (IRE).





Curragh Trail Extended:

The 2016 Curragh Thoroughbred Trail, which takes place before racing Sept. 11 as part of Longines Irish Champions Weekend, has been extended with a ninth trail added to cope with the demand for places. Details of the individual trails have been released and interested participants can choose their own trail by booking online at

www.curraghhospitality.com/icw/trail.html. The Curragh Thoroughbred Trail, supported by Irish Thoroughbred Marketing offers the chance to see behind the scenes of some of Ireland's leading Curragh-based trainers. Those taking part include Dermot Weld, John Oxx, Adrian Keatley, Willie McCreery, Michael O'Callaghan, Johnny Murtagh and Michael Halford.

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

Precious Gem to the Breeding Shed Cont. from p1

Retiring with a record of 37-8-7-3 and earnings of A\$660,400,



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the bay will relocate to Sledmere Stud in the Hunter Valley to be prepared for a mating with Coolmore first-season sire, 'TDN Rising Star' and

2015 G1 Golden Slipper hero Vancouver

(Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), who is also part-owned by the China Horse Club.

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Sunday, Hipodromo de Monterrico, Peru CLASICO JOCKEY CLUB DEL PERU-G1, PER\$206,248 (US\$62,057), 6-26, Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3yo/up, 2400m, 2:32.94, ft.

1--&KODIAK BOY (PER), 134, c, 4, by Museeb

1st Dam: Seth's Choice (GSP, \$150,196), by Rahy

2nd Dam: Tammy Lynn, by Fappiano

3rd Dam: Win Nona, by Jacinto

O-Stud Couet; B-Haras La Qallana (Per); T-Juan Suarez; J-Edwin Talaverano. Lifetime Record: 23-6-4-4. PER\$130,000. *1/2 to Prize Choice (Per) (Pure Prize), SW & G1SP-Per. Werk Nick Rating: C+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

- 2--Rubirosa (Per), 128, c, 3, Pegasus Wind--Sugestiva (Per), by Stack. O-Stud Jet Set; B-Haras Alydar (Per); T-Juan Suarez. PER\$38,600.
- 3--Kingdom Road (Arg), 128, c, 3, Bellamy Road--Young Musician, by Yonaguska; O-Stud Recoveco; B-Haras La Quebrada (Arg); T-Augusto Olivares. PER\$25,800.

Margins: HF, 8 1/2, 2. Odds: 8.10.

Also Ran: Elbchaussee (Per), Brennero, Good Luck Keny (Arg). Click for the Hipodromo de Monterrico chart & video, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

Saturday, Cidade Jardim, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO IMMENSITY-G1, BRZ\$100,000 (*US\$29,441*), 6-25, Cidade Jardim, 2yo, f, 1600mT, 1:35.32, fm.

1--&VERY NICE MOON (BRZ), 123, f, 2, by Nedawi (Brz)

1st Dam: Be So Fair (GSP-Brz), by Stravinsky

2nd Dam: Be Fair (Brz), by Fast Gold

3rd Dam: Misty Moon (Brz), by Baronius (Brz)

O/B-Haras Old Friends (Brz); T-Selmar Lobo; J-Vagner Leal. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0. BRZ\$45,000. Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

- 2--Khaleesi (Brz), 123, f, 2, Kitten's Joy--Sophie's Salad, by Rahy. O/B-Stud Chesapeake (Brz); T-Ad. Menegolo Neto. BRZ\$13.500.
- 3--Gatabakana (Brz), 123, f, 2, Vettori (Ire)--Herzblatt, by Cozzene; O/B-Stud TNT (Brz); T-V.S. Lopes. BRZ\$9,000. Margins: 3HF, 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 1.40, 10.40, 12.30. Also Ran: Friends of Gold (Brz), Kiss Me Now (Brz), Exhibition (Brz), Kaindly Insane (Brz), Vogue Star (Brz), Morena Rosa (Brz), Holy Byblos (Brz). Scratched: Velha Maguina (Brz).

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- 1-#@&MARATON (BRZ), 123, c, 2, by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) 1st Dam: Virgo Dancer (Brz) (SW-Brz), by Fantastic Dancer (Brz) 2nd Dam: Cybill (Brz), by Music Prospector 3rd Dam: Key of Hill (Brz), by Tumble Lark
- O-Haras Moema; B-Haras Santa Camila (Brz); T-V. Fornasaro; J-R. Mala. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-3. BRZ\$45,000. Werk Nick Rating: D. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.
- 2--The Buteler (Brz), 123, c, 2, Pioneering--Siphonette Glory (Brz), by Siphon (Brz). O/B-Haras Belmont (Brz); T-J. Azevedo. BRZ\$13,500.
- 3--Pivete de Birigui (Brz), 123, c, 2, Linngari (Ire)--Jiboia de Birigui (Brz), by Banking (Arg); O/B-Stud Birigui (Brz); T-W.Garcia. BRZ\$9,000.

Margins: HF, 3, 1/4. Odds: 3.90, 6.00, 12.80.

Also Ran: Marlon (Brz), Kalimichta (Brz), Sandpiper (Brz), Redemption (Brz), Kobe (Brz), Kiwi Green (Brz), Angari (Brz), Efectista (Brz), Kranji (Brz), Enfeitado (Brz).

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PLENTY TO LIKE ABOUT LORD NELSON



Lord Nelson takes GI Triple Bend S. | *Benoit*

by Andrew Caulfield

Bearing in mind that Vice Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson lost the sight in his right eye in 1794, his right arm in 1797 and was finally mortally wounded as a 47-year-old at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805, he couldn't be considered the luckiest of individuals. Still, his exploits were so glorious that his name lives on. For example, I only have to drive a few miles up the road to enter Nelson's County, as the county of Norfolk--where he was born--has recently branded itself.

Naming a horse after a man who enjoyed such mixed fortunes might seem to be tempting fate, but horses with variations of the name have been remarkably successful. Horatio Nelson, who carried Sue Magnier's colours, proved himself one of Europe's best 2-year-olds of 2005, when he won the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere. This son of Danehill and the dual Classic winner Imagine would surely have been very popular as a stallion had he not--like his namesake--suffered fatal injuries while in action (in the Derby).

Imagine's owners persevered, naming the mare's 2007 Giant's Causeway colt Viscount Nelson. This colt also proved to be well above average, developing into a Classic-placed Group 2 winner before being retired to Haras Don Alberto in Chile. And now we have Lord Nelson, who looks set to become a much-sought-after stallion when he eventually retires to Spendthrift. *Cont. p9*

TRAINER BORELL LINKED TO 40+ NEGLECTED HORSES AT KENTUCKY FARM by T.D. Thornton

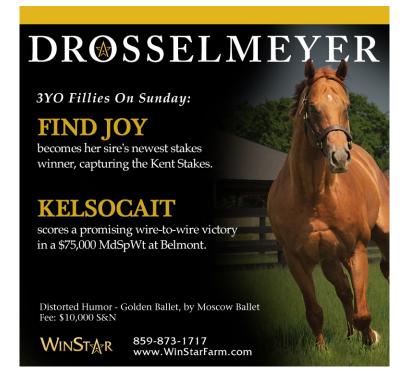
The state veterinarian for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDOA) confirmed on June 27 that the name of Breeders' Cup-winning trainer Maria Borell is "associated with the ownership" of more than 40 neglected and undernourished horses found in dire stabling conditions at a privately leased farm near Harrodsburg.

Dr. Robert C. Stout of the KDOA said in a Monday afternoon phone interview that KDOA veterinarians were on the scene caring for the neglected animals in conjunction with help from the Mercer County Sheriff's Office and a team of volunteers who are donating hay, feed, and their time to tend to the stricken horses. The investigation into the level of neglect and who exactly owns the farm and each of the individual horses continues to unfold, he said, although no criminal charges have been filed against Borell or anyone else so far. *Cont. p3*

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School's out for The Sprinter. Two-time G1 Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase champ Sprinter Sacre (Fr) (Network {Ger}) (right) enjoys his summer vacation with Seven Barrows stablemate Jenkins at David and Juliet Minton's Mill House Stud, Much Wenlock in Shropshire. | Edward Whitaker/Racing Post

CASSE HAS HIGH HOPES FOR NEWCOMER

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With stable star Tepin (Bernstein) back home at Churchill Downs after her dramatic win at Royal Ascot, trainer Mark Casse has high expectations for up-and-comer Conquest Enforcer (Into Mischief).

WELFARE SUMMIT TODAY

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Keeneland hosts the seventh Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit Tuesday at its sales pavilion. Among scheduled panelists is Dr. Mick Peterson, Jr., executive director of the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory.

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Borell Linked to Neglected Horses (cont. from p1)

"This is an ongoing investigation. We've been involved since the first of June," Stout said. "Our goal in these things is, number one, to respond to a complaint, obviously, and to address the

welfare of the horses. The local law enforcement officers have been very responsive in responding to the needs of the horses. I don't know how much I can say legally, if you know where I'm going with that. But there are a number of horses that do not seem to be managed in a way consistent with Kentucky law."

As of deadline for this article, Borell had yet to respond to a text message sent Monday afternoon requesting her side of the story.

At this time last year, Borell had never trained a Thoroughbred winner from 22 lifetime starts. Then she took over as

the trainer of Runhappy (Super Saver), who blossomed into a graded stakes-winning sprinter. But 24 hours after Runhappy won the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint on Oct. 31, Borell was fired, and she sued client Gallery Racing Stables, LLC, (owners James and Linda McIngvale) for breach of contract and defamation.

Over the winter Borell relocated to Florida, but a training stint with Drawing Away Stable was also short-lived, ending in a dismissal from that job.

According to an investigative article titled "The Shocking

Untold Story of Maria Borell" that was published on the website US Racing in late May, Borell has been involved in a series of incidents in recent years that involve questionable equine care, damage to and neglect of properties she has leased, and personal financial difficulties.

That article, along with a <u>follow-up</u> <u>published last week</u>, used graphic photographs from farm visits to the Mercer County property to illustrate "deplorable conditions," such as "horses of all ages with open sores all over their bodies," "yearlings not yet weaned [that] hadn't had blacksmith attention in months," and horses "drinking

unclean water from filthy buckets and troughs [while] housed in paddocks with broken fences that had yet to be repaired."

US Racing quoted Tres Delaforce, a longtime horsewoman who is also a trainer, as an eyewitness to the neglect: "I've never seen anything like it in my entire life," Delaforce said. *Cont. p4*



Maria Borell heads to winner's circle with Runhappy | A Coglianese



"Those horses hadn't had basic care or regular feed in months," Delaforce said. "They were skin and bones. None were in acceptable shape. There was a worker there who told us the horses hadn't had food in at least 10 days at that point--and you could tell. Some were even locked in a barn the entire time they were there, which had to have been at least two weeks."

The Mercer County Sheriff began investigating the horse farm after publication of the first US Racing article. But a dispatcher at

the sheriff's office told TDN on Monday that the KDOA and the county prosecutor's office took over the case after the magnitude of neglect became evident.

"We're assisting, but it's way bigger than what we can handle," the dispatcher said.



Z Camelot among horses at Kentucky Farm | photo courtesy Victoria Keith

"We take the feed and the hay bales out there and check on them daily to make sure that they're being fed, and they are."

In the second US Racing article, Delaforce and others questioned why officials took so long to act on their initial reports of neglect.

"The fact that [county and state officials] knew about this for weeks and let this continue boggles the mind," Delaforce told US Racing. "I was speechless and that's saying a lot for me. I could barely take any photos I was so stunned. Stunned."

Stout, in Monday's interview with TDN, was asked if criticism about letting the investigation lag was valid.

"I personally don't think it is valid," Stout said. "People don't want to understand that we are bound by law and due process." After a pause, he added, "You can't always do just what you might want to do."

Shane Mitchell, an animal health inspector who is leading the investigation for the KDOA, was reached on his mobile phone while at the farm on Monday.

"We're trying to work through the situation right now," Mitchell said. "The immediate welfare concerns of the horses have been and are being addressed. We do have some [volunteers] out here doing daily care. I can't say enough good things about the ladies coming in to help us on this right now. The county sheriff's office is coming in daily."

But when TDN wanted to know specifics, such as how many of the horses are Thoroughbreds, whether the case is considered outright abandonment or willful neglect, and who is supposed to be the lawful caretaker of the horses, Mitchell apologized and said he couldn't discuss those details.

"I can't confirm any of that for you because we're still in a very fluid, very active investigation right now," Mitchell said. "That's one of the reasons we're here at the farm right Z Camelot before 2012 now. We're still trying to get that information gathered up with the



Florida Derby | Kacy Hayes

county prosecutor's office. I can tell you right now, as of this date and this hour, [3:30 p.m. Monday] no, we have not filed any charges."

Stout said that for the time being, the horses will remain on the property where they currently reside, with daily care provided by the volunteers and overseen by the KDOA and the Mercer County Sheriff.



Ahmed Zayat @jazz3162 · 9h

If these people do not release these poor horses today they do not know what is coming to them. We have been coordinating with many people

Owner Ahmed Zayat among many voicing concern for neglected horses via Twitter Monday.



As far as potential re-homing of the animals, Stout said, "That's a decision that will be made by the law enforcement and the attorneys associated with the county. It's not something that I can decide. All that's been presented to the county attorney for his findings on it."

A GoFundMe donations page has been established by a volunteer named Tara Cochran "to raise funds for the expenses relating to the urgent care needed for the 43 sick and near-death horses."

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AS TEPIN THRIVES, HIGH HOPES FOR TALENTED STABLEMATE by Ben Massam

Nearly two weeks removed from Tepin (Bernstein)'s monumental victory in the G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot, trainer Mark Casse is understandably still amazed by his champion mare. But as any veteran conditioner will tell you-especially one with multiple stables situated across the eastern seaboard--there is very little time to rest before the next important race comes up. Although Casse has a number of



Conquest Enforcer Woodbine Entertainment

stakes runners penciled in for the coming extended weekend, the Canadian Hall of Fame trainer admitted that he has particularly high aspirations for the lightly raced 3-year-old **Conquest Enforcer** (Into Mischief), who

could potentially take

on older turfers in the GII King Edward S. Saturday.

"He's going to run in either the King Edward or the Charley Barley [for 3-year-olds July 3]," Casse said of the Conquest Stables colorbearer. "I think he's as good on grass [as he is on synthetic], and if he's as good as we think he is, I wanted to open up his options--and the best way to do that is to run him on the grass... It's still a long way to go, but we think he's one of the most talented horses we've ever had. We believe that he can compete at the highest level. I won't even risk trying him on the dirt--we already know he can run on the grass."

Casse's confidence in Conquest Enforcer has been evident since day one and was bolstered by feedback from rider Patrick Husbands, who said that the bay was the most gifted horse he had ever sat on. The \$210,000 Fasig-Tipton July yearling purchase reported home an even fourth on debut in the GII Summer S. at Woodbine Sept. 12 and followed with a dominant tally in the restricted Cup and Saucer S. over the lawn Oct. 11.

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Given ample time to mature during a winter layup, Conquest Enforcer recently returned to action with a seemingly effortless victory in the seven-furlong Queenston S. on the synthetic track at Woodbine, clobbering his rivals by 7 3/4 lengths [video].

Given Conquest Enforcer's plenteous talents, Team Casse has made a deliberate effort to remain patient and play to the sophomore's strengths. Such a strategy has swayed them away from any temptation to enter in Sunday's 10-furlong Queen's Plate S., a race that occasionally taxes horses' energy levels in the ensuing months.

"He's a real pretty horse," Casse explained. "He looks more like a seven-eighths or miler [type]. He's more of a running back or fullback-looking horse--the best way to describe them is as football players. He's a beautiful horse, a massive horse. When he runs, you look and you think he's going five-eighths in 1:02 and he goes in :58. That's what has us excited."

Although Conquest Enforcer will not be in the starting gate for the Queen's Plate, Casse will be represented in the Classic by once-beaten Leavem in Malibu (Malibu Moon), who enters off two consecutive wins around two turns.

"I don't think you could ask a horse to be doing any better," Casse asserted. "He's only had three starts, which is a bit of a disadvantage, but I'll say he's experienced a lot in those three starts... I don't think you could look at a horse in the Queen's Plate that would enjoy a mile and a quarter as much as him. He just kind of gets going after a mile."

As for Robert Masterson's Tepin, Casse said the celebrated mare continues to take everything in stride, including the rigorous travel schedule that just recently brought her back to her customary stall at Churchill Downs. Cont. p6

"She's amazing," the trainer said. "I actually think she likes it, she likes getting around the world. She's been on quite a trip. She's now back in Kentucky with [assistant] Norman [Casse] and Rosa [Jimenez], her groom, who she loves and has had her since the beginning. We're just going to let her tell us how she handled the trip. She'll go to Saratoga. It's something we'll talk about with Mr.

Masterson, but there's a possibility she could make the [GII Ballston Spa S. Aug. 27], and the other race we're interested in is the [Sept. 17 GI] Woodbine Mile."

Norman Casse knows Tepin better than anyone, according to his father, who also said the younger



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Casse would play an integral role in mapping out her course for the remainder of the year. And while the conditioner acknowledged that Tepin was defeated twice at Saratoga last summer--the only two losses in her last 12 starts--the trainer has no doubt that the dark bay has taken her game to an entirely new level in 2016. "The Tepin we have now is much better than the Tepin we had last year," Casse continued. "If you look at horses that were

running close to her and she was barely beating [last year], she's now destroying those horses."

Highlighting the importance of treating every horse as a unique athlete, Casse is understandably delighted to have a horse that relishes competition and activity like Tepin.

"She thrives on racing," he concluded. "We've gotten to a point now where we run her a little more



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frequently and we train her a lot easier--and it seems to work."

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WELFARE SUMMIT PREVIEW: BIG DATA YIELDING PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS

by T.D. Thornton

Tuesday's seventh Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit at Keeneland Race Course is in the midst of a progressive metamorphosis. But that really shouldn't be a surprise, because the Thoroughbred racing industry itself has changed markedly since the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation and The Jockey Club first began the event as an every-other-year symposium back in 2006.

Jamie Haydon, the manager of industry initiatives for The Jockey Club, is a lead organizer of what has evolved into an annual gathering of industry stakeholders to discuss key health, well-being, and ethics issues that pertain to the sport's equine and human participants. And in the years he's spent trying to shape compelling agendas, Haydon has seen the summit move through several distinct phases.



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"Like all businesses that are dealing with animals in their business model, [stakeholders] are making decisions that will benefit the animal, and that's what our industry is doing as well," Haydon said. "The safety, integrity, and welfare issues are now more firmly a priority at the top of people's minds in our sport, especially if they're involved in the decision tree for various industry outfits. And it's not just one segment of the industry that feels this way--it's a lot of different segments coming together."

When the summit first debuted, there was a sense that some corners of the racing industry had to be sold on the need for a proactive, public-facing approach to equine welfare and safety. Later on, the industry had to come to grips with putting up money to fund various initiatives that veterinarians, researchers, and engineers proposed. In the past couple of years, the focus has been on embracing "big data" as a means to finding patterns where improvements could be made. But it takes lots of time to cull through the numbers before meaningful statistics begin to emerge.

This year, the industry's collective patience will be rewarded with a summit agenda that features a number of practical (and in some cases) low-cost actions that have been derived from the reams of data the industry has been collecting.

As The Jockey Club's Equine Injury Database approaches eight years' worth of data, Dr. Michael "Mick" Peterson, Jr., the executive director of the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory, gave the *TDN* one such example of something profound he has learned by sifting through statistics.

Peterson has been able to pinpoint via data collection the location on racetracks at which injuries are most likely to occur. He can discern not only the types of injuries, but to which limb on the horse they occur, and can drill down his research even further, by noting the track surface (dirt, synthetic or turf).

"So when you look at that, we see some really interesting effects," Peterson said in a phone interview, previewing the presentation he will give Tuesday. "And one of them is the classic 'left front foreleg, leading forelimb on the far turn' fracture. That's the classic fracture, typically in the [final] turn, or going into the stretch changing leads.

"And what's amazing is, when you look at the years of data, yes it's true, on dirt, that the left front and right rear fracture more often. But here's the cool part: Those differences disappear when you go to synthetic or turf."

Peterson, a self-admitted "research geek," continued, "For me, this is like as good as it gets, right? We've got this big data set, and now we can start questioning assumptions" about why those kinds of fractures had previously been considered universal across

all surfaces.

Peterson will discuss a few ideas about what could be done to prevent those types of dirt-track injuries. But without giving away his presentation, he did note that "it really suggests there's some sort of a mechanism there that's an 'exposure variable' as opposed to something else."

In short, Peterson said maybe the solution isn't investing in expensive dirt-track banking or ways to improve biomechanical traction on turns. The answer could be as simple as not exposing horses to that trouble spot on the track as often, ideally by not subjecting them to being breezed on turns during training.

"People have talked about things like training and racing in the opposite direction," Peterson said. "Well for turf and synthetics, it probably doesn't matter in terms of risk to the horse. For dirt, what if we just breezed them on a straight?"

Peterson--whose background is in mechanical engineering, not equine physiology--fully admitted he's "not about to start giving people advice about horsemanship." But, he added, "by the same token, when you start seeing this coming out of the data, you get this discussion going, and if we can begin to whittle away at the [catastrophic injury] number, we're talking a big impact to the industry here."

He continued, "You can get some really cool insights into what's happening to horses by looking closely at the numbers. I'm pretty excited about that. I love anything that looks like basic science, and then 10 minutes into the discussion, you're talking about how you can immediately have a positive impact on the health of the horse."

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Haydon agreed that it is gratifying to see some of the industry's big-data projects yielding tangible ideas. He gave the example of a conversation he recently had with another of Tuesday's presenters, Dr. Tim Parkin, a senior lecturer in Equine Clinical Sciences at the University of Glasgow. Parkin works closely with the Equine Injury Database, and the two were discussing how eight years ago, "North American racing was kind of chastised, both internally and by the rest of world, for being behind the times" when it came to data-driven research.

"And [Parkin] said to me 'You've gone from standstill to 3,000 miles an hour now," Haydon recalled. "'You're quite frankly the only [racing] jurisdiction in the world working on predictive modeling and using big data like this."

An update on another big-data initiative, the Jockey Injury Database, will be presented by Dr. Carl Mattacola, a professor of Athletic Training Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Kentucky. His talk will focus on "return to ride protocols" that are evolving as industry standards to determine when it is safe for jockeys to get back in the saddle after accidents.

A presentation on equine respiratory and airway health will feature both academic and hands-on perspectives on "clean" barn" protocols. Dr. Susan Holcombe, a professor of Large Animal Clinical Sciences at Michigan State University, will discuss research she's done on that subject. Longtime horseman Bill Casner will talk about the practicalities of incorporating those standards into stable routines on a day-to-day basis.

"That's on a lot of people's minds. It's a major issue affecting the safety of our racehorses--just the way we condition our stalls in this country," Haydon said.

The juxtaposition of three different veterinary viewpoints will anchor a topic titled "Lameness Diagnosis--The Importance of the Physical Inspection." This panel will feature a surgeon (Dr. Larry Bramlage), a racetrack practitioner (Dr. Kevin Dunlavy), and a state equine medical director (Dr. Mary Scollay).

According to Haydon, all three vets agree that a physical inspection is paramount in determining lameness. "Yet they all use it in a different way, so we thought that would be a really eye-opening interaction. We hear 'physical inspection' and we all think it's the same. But it's vastly different depending on what kind of veterinarian you are."

Other panels will cover biosecurity, biomarker research, "nutraceutical" oral joint supplementation, balanced feed programs, compounded medications, and regulated use of the whip. The American Association of Equine Practitioners will also provide an update on that organization's "10-point prescription for racing."

For those in the Lexington area, the summit is free and open to the public in the Keeneland sales pavilion. It will also be streamed live starting at 8:15 a.m. ET. Audience members are encouraged to ask questions of the panelists, either via email (horsesummit@jockeyclub.com) or via the Twitter hashtag #horsesummit.

JAPANESE RACES ADDED TO BREEDERS' CUP CHALLENGE SERIES

Three Japanese Group 1 races have been added to the 2016 Breeders' Cup Challenge series line-up, providing automatic berths to championship races this coming autumn at Santa Anita. Winners of the G1 February S., which was run Feb. 21, and the G1 Yasuda Kinen, run June 5, will retroactively receive berths to the GI Breeders' Cup Classic and GI Breeders' Cup Mile, respectively. Moanin (Henny Hughes), owned by Yukio Baba and trained by Zei Ishizaka, won the February S., while Logotype (Jpn) (Lohengrin {Jpn}) captured the Yasuda Kinen for owner Teruya Yoshida and trainer Tsuyoshi Tanaka.

The third race added to the series is the Oct. 2 G1 Sprinters S., which will award the winner with an automatic entry to the GI Breeders' Cup Turf

"Working in concert with the Japan Racing Association, we are very

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pleased and proud to strengthen the international reach of the Challenge series by adding the February S., Yasuda Kinen and the Sprinters S. to our schedule," said Craig Fravel, Breeders' Cup President and CEO. "We thank the JRA for their commitment to the series and look forward to continued participation by Japanese horsemen in the Challenge series and in the World Championships."

The three new Japanese races join the G1 Takarazuka Kinen, which has been part of the 'Win and You're In' series since 2011. The 5-year-old mare **Marialite (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) won the Takarazuka Kinen Sunday, earning an automatic berth into the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf.

As a part of the benefits of the Breeders' Cup Challenge series, the Breeders' Cup will pay for the pre-entry and entry fees of the winning horse of each challenge race. All international runners in the championships will be provided a \$40,000 travel stipend. The challenge winner must be nominated to the Breeders' Cup program by the pre-entry deadline of Oct. 24 to receive the rewards.

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS by Andrew Caulfield



Plenty to Like about Lord Nelson (cont. from p1)

The Spendthrift stallion roster contains the likes of Malibu Moon and Temple City, who have made the grade even though they didn't win at Grade I level. This explains the willingness of B. Wayne

Hughes to purchase Lord Nelson (Pulpit) when he was still just a Grade II winner, that Grade II win coming when he beat the top-weighted Texas Red in last year's San Vicente S.

But now the 4-year-old has joined the Group I club, thanks to his courageous defeat of Subtle Indian in the GI Triple Bend S. three days ago.

Lord Nelson is now going to be very easy to promote. Like two-time champion sire Tapit, he is a Grade I-winning son of Pulpit. Again like Tapit, he has two lines of Mr. Prospector, with his inbreeding being 3x3, compared to Tapit's 3x4. And, according to Hughes, "he's a big, good-looking horse and we were looking for a stallion. He's exceptionally good looking."

Another aspect of Lord Nelson's appeal is that there can't be many more future stallion sons by sire of sires Pulpit.

The former Claiborne stallion died in December 2012, just short of his 19th birthday, and Pulpit's final crop, now three years old, numbered only 27 live foals. Lord Nelson comes from his penultimate crop, which also contains Win The Space, runner-up to Melatonin in the GI Gold Cup at Santa Anita S., and Teen Pauline, a Grade II winner in 2015.

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LORD NELSON, c, 2012

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		Miss Peggy (Arg)	Fitzcarraldo (Arg)
		7Fls, 2Ch	Miss Bimba (Arg)



Although Tapit is far and away the most successful of Pulpit's stallion sons, four others have sired American Grade I winners. One of them, Lucky Pulpit, is responsible for the remarkable California Chrome, while Sky Mesa has a creditable 19 graded winners to his credit.

Both of Lord Nelson's graded successes have come over seven furlongs, and his other victory in 2016 came over six. He has yet to hit the first three in four tries over a mile or 1 1/16 miles.

Perhaps the determining factor has been his 3x3 inbreeding to Mr. Prospector. This great stallion did most of his winning over six furlongs and set a couple of track records over that distance. Of course that didn't stop him going on to sire a winner of each of America's Triple Crown events and the chances are that Lord

Nelson will also sire plenty of progeny which stay better than he seems to.

One of Lord Nelson's four grandparents, Pulpit's dam Preach, may well have channelled some of Mr. Prospector's speed, as she was fast enough to be placed in the GI Test S. and GII Prioress S. at three, even though she had won the GI Frizette S. over a mile at two.

Lord Nelson's other grandparents had no problems in staying at



Lord Nelson | Benoit

least a mile and a quarter. His grandsires are A.P. Indy, winner of the GI Belmont S., and Seeking the Gold, whose efforts over a mile and a quarter yielded a win in the GI Super Derby, a very narrow defeat in the GI Travers S. and a good second in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. Lord Nelson's other grandparent, his second dam Miss Linda, won a couple of Group 1s over a mile and a quarter in her native Argentina, prior to her transfer to the U.S., where she added the GI Spinster S. over a mile and an eighth.

One of Miss Linda's sisters, the unraced Miss Simpatia, has also made a sizeable impact in the U.S. Her Argentine Oaks winner Miss Match won the GI Santa Margarita S. over a mile and an eighth. And now her American-bred daughter Carina Mia has developed into one of this year's most accomplished 3-year-old fillies, with wins in the GII Eight Belles S. over seven furlongs and the GI Acorn S. over a mile. It is surely no coincidence that Lord Nelson, Miss Match and Carina Mia were all sired by sons of A.P. Indy--Pulpit, Indygo Shiner and Malibu Moon, respectively.



Mention of Malibu Moon reminds me that there has been one major difference between the records of Pulpit and his paternal half-brother. Lord Nelson ranks as one of 10 colts among Pulpit's total of 12 Grade I winners, whereas Carina Mia is one of eight fillies among the 10 Grade I winners by Malibu Moon. This sex bias holds fairly true in a wider sample. Malibu Moon has 36 graded winners, of which 24--two-thirds--have been fillies. Pulpit, on the other hand, has 45 graded/group winners, of which 29--nearly two-thirds--have been males. This goes a long way towards explaining why Pulpit is more likely than Malibu Moon to establish an enduring male line, though Orb may have something to say about that, judging by the popularity of his first weanlings at last year's sales.

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NEW YORK

Monday's Results:

ONTARIO COUNTY S., \$50,000, FL, 6-27, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10.42, ft. 1--LOVE THAT JAZZ, 122, r, 3, Not For Love--Val's Jazz (MSP, \$145,378), by Kentucky Jazz. (\$57,000 Ylg '14 SARAUG). O-Happy Face Racing Stable; B-Saratoga Glen Farm, LLC (NY); T-Charlton Baker; J-Luis E. Perez. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$183,208. *1/2 to Boowoogeemalia (El Corredor), SW, \$135,661; and Grand Refer (Grand Slam), SW, \$112,850.

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2--Saratoga Giro, 118, c, 3, <u>Girolamo</u>--White Slippers, by Silver Deputy. (\$27,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$27,000 2yo '15 EASMAY).
O-Henry Steadman & Paul Barrow; B-Mendean Jonath Inc. (NY); T-Paul W. Barrow. \$10,000.

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3--Championofthenile, 122, g, 3, Pioneerof the Nile--Lantern Glow, by Mineshaft. (\$135,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$840,000 2yo '15 EASMAY). O-Iris Smith Stable, Lady Sheila Stable & Linda Rice; B-All Gold Racing LLC (NY);

T-Linda Rice. \$5,000.

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Love That Jazz captured the state-bred Aspirant S. over track and trip under the care of Steve Asmussen Sept. 18, but finished a well-beaten fifth in the New York Breeders' Futurity S. Oct. 17 and closed out his 2-year-old account with a third-place effort in the Notebook S. at Aqueduct Nov. 21. Back on track with a half-length triumph in a state-bred allowance in his first start for this barn May 19, the bay was sent to post as the third choice in this return to stakes waters and broke sharply from his rail draw. Out-sprinting heavy favorite Championofthenile, Love That Jazz showed the way through a :21.82 quarter and maintained a narrow advantage past a :44.56 half-mile. Inching away past the furlong pole, he held gamely to earn the victory over Saratoga Giro, who won a bob for place from the chalk. The winner is a half to Grand Refer (Grand Slam), who annexed this same stake in 2007. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

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EASTERN U.S.

Monday's Results:

8th-PRX, \$43,000, (S), Alw, 6-27, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.84, ft.

LARCO MAR (g, 3, Old Fashioned--Irish Diva, by Skip Trial) dueled through a fast pace before taking a nose defeat at 14-1 in his May 23 debut going a sixteenth further here, and subsequently made every yard to graduate by two lengths at the same trip June 13. Given a 23-10 chance to repeat, the gray broke a step slowly and traveled second-last early. Producing a strong rally on the turn, Larco Mar came six-wide at the top of the lane and closed resolutely, drawing clear late once switching leads around the sixteenth pole en route to a 2 1/2-length success. The winner's dam is responsible for a 2-year-old colt and a yearling filly by Friesan Fire. Sales History: \$10,000 Ylg '14 EASSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$81,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Anita Racing Stable; B-Hope Hill Farm & Thomas McGreevy (PA); T-Alfredo Velazquez.

6th-PRX, \$55,500, Msw, 6-27, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.84, ft. WILDCAT BELLE (f, 3, Intidab--Elusive Folly, by Elusive Quality) finished a distant third for a \$50,000 tag in her Nov. 18 debut over the Churchill slop and returned off a near five-month break Apr. 8 at Keeneland to dictate a fast pace in a live maiden field before fading to finish fourth at 46-1. Hammered down to 3-5 here, the bay broke sharply and made the point, moving clear through a :21.93 quarter-mile, widened at every call thereafter and came home under wraps 6 3/4 lengths to the good. Billy No Sabay (Closing Argument) was clearly second-best. Sales History: \$15,500 Ylg '14 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$35,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc.; B-University of Kentucky (KY); T-Danny Gargan.

Into Mischief Filly Named MHBA Champion:

Sagamore Farm's filly by Into Mischief was named champion of Sunday's 82nd annual Maryland Horse Breeders Association's Maryland-bred Yearling Show. Trainer John Servis selected the yearling out of Roadtohanna (Not for Love), who was one of 115 yearlings to compete at the show.

"I like a big, rangy, two-turn looking horse and that was her," Servis said of his selection. "She had a lot of the things that I like. She looked very athletic." He also noted of his top selections of the 33 shown in the class, "I wouldn't mind having any one of those five fillies in my barn."

All yearlings who entered the show ring are now eligible for the \$40,000 premium award, which will be split and distributed twice, with \$20,000 going to the exhibitors of the four show contestants who earn the most money as 2-year-olds during 2016, and another \$20,000 divided among the exhibitors of the four highest-earning 3-year-old runners the next year.

KENTUCKY

Race for Education Announces Golf Tournament:

The Race for Education will host its first golf tournament, 'Swing for Education,' Aug. 29. The tournament will benefit the Race for Education's numerous educational programs, as well as its Starting Gate After School program. It will be held at the University Club's Big Blue Course beginning at 1 p.m. Prior to the tournament, a luncheon will be held in honor of departing longtime Race for Education board member and former chairman Chris Young. For more information, visit www.raceforeducation.org.

CENTRAL U.S.

Monday's Results:

7th-TDN, \$33,200, (S), Alw, 6-27, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.22. ft.

PROPER DISCRETION (f, 3, Discreetly Mine--Prizes {MSP, \$162,120}, by Prized) dominated by 8 1/4 lengths in capturing her Sept. 2 track-and-trip debut, then took a tough beat when third by a head after contesting a pace that fell apart in the two-turn state-bred John W. Galbreath S. here Oct. 10. Running out of condition in her sophomore bow May 6, she sprinted through a blazing pace before getting nailed late to finish a neck second at 2-5, but made amends with a wire-to-wire score at 1-5 May 28. Pounded down to 20 cents on the dollar again in this spot, the homebred allowed Put Up With It (Put It Back) to take up the early running and rated in second, two lengths adrift of a :22.26 quarter. Sidling up to the leader at the three-eighths pole, she began to edge away from that one at the furlong grounds and pulled clear for a 4 1/4-length victory. The winner's dam has a 2-year-old Big Brown gelding named Brown Buckeye and foaled a Big Drama colt this term. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1, \$79,540. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Bruce Tallisman (OH); T-Benny R. Feliciano.

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Tom Durkin To Lead Hall of Fame Tours During Saratoga Meet:

Retired racecaller Tom Durkin will lead personalized tours of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame throughout this summer's Saratoga meeting that runs from July 22 through Sept. 5, the museum announce Monday. Tours will be from 11 a.m. to noon most race days with a cost of \$20 for Museum members and \$25 for non-members, including Museum admission. They will be limited to 12 people each on a first-come, first-served basis. Each tour visitor will also receive an autographed picture of Durkin.

"We're thrilled to be able to offer these unique tours led by Tom Durkin," said Chris Dragone, the Museum's director. "Tom has a one-of- a-kind gift for telling stories about racing, and he is ideal to help bring to life the great history of Thoroughbred racing and showcase all the wonderful aspects of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame."

Durkin retired from calling races at the conclusion of the 2014 Saratoga meet after a celebrated 43-year career. Durkin was the regular track announcer at the New York Racing Association's tracks from 1990 until his retirement.

Tour reservations can be made in advance by calling the Museum's membership office at (518) 584-044 ext. 109. There will be no Durkin-led tours on Tuesdays or the following dates: Aug. 10, 12, 17, 20 and 27.

Race Track Chaplaincy Seeks White Horse Nominees:

The Race Track Chaplaincy of America is currently seeking nominees for its 14th annual White Horse Award, which recognizes unsung heroes in the Thoroughbred industry. Nominations must be received at the RTCA National Service Center by Sept. 15. For more information, click here.

Scholarship Applications Being Accepted:

Applications for the Horsemen's Track and Equipment, Inc.'s second annual Steve Greene Memorial Scholarship are being accepted now through July 31 for any current employee of a Thoroughbred racetrack, training center or farm or a member of the immediate family (wife, husband or child) of a current employee of a Thoroughbred racetrack, training center or farm. Applicant must be enrolled in a four-year-undergraduate program or be enrolling for the upcoming fall semester. One recipient will be chosen to receive \$2,500 towards college expenses.

"The Steve Greene Memorial Scholarship is a tribute to Steve's life and love for track families," said Randy Bloch of Horsemen's Track and Equipment. "Steve was founder and President of Horsemen's for 30 plus years." For more information, click here.

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IN JAPAN:

Levante Lion, c, 2, Pioneerof the Nile—Ghostly Darkness, by Ghostzapper. Hakodate, 6-26, Maiden Race, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$68,627. O-Lion Race Horse; B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton, Tom Bozarth & Silver Fern Farm LLC; T-Yoshito Yahagi. *\$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. **"It was a tough race for him, but he never gave up and I am proud of his strong stretch performance," said winning jockey Kosei Miura. "He will compete effectively in a higher class."

A Shin Vision, c, 3, Lonhro (Aus)--Christine Daae (SP, \$120,590), by Giant's Causeway. Hanshin, 6-25, Novice Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$79,412. O-Eishindo Inc.; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC; T-Hideaki Fujiwara. *\$120,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. **"He stumbled a bit over the turf surface just after leaving the starting gate, but he recovered quickly and moved smoothly when changing over to dirt," said winning hoop Suguru Hamanaka. "He is a nervous colt sometimes, so I did not want him to be boxed in during the trip, and that tactic was effective today."

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GIO PONTI (Tale of the Cat), Castleton Lyons, \$20K, 197/25/0 6-IND, Msw 5fT, +Italian Style, 8-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-PRX, \$58,660, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-27, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.44, fm.

BLACK JET (g, 5, Arch--Tell It {SP, \$162,283}, by Storm Cat)
Lifetime Record: 11-6-0-2, \$133,270. O-Robert Reidy;
B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Mario Serey, Jr. *\$100,000 Ylg '12
KEESEP; \$185,000 RNA 2yo '13 FTFMAR; \$110,000 2yo '13
EASMAY. **1/2 to Dream Nettie (Dixie Union), SW, \$146,350.

7th-DEL, \$36,500, 6-27, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.31, fm. **NO WUNDER (GB) (g, 5, Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}--lwunder {Ire}, by King's Best)** Lifetime Record: 18-2-5-5, \$89,887. O-Robert A. Kinsley; B-Exors of the Late J. Ellis (GB); T-Elizabeth Voss. *29,000gns Wlg '11 TA11; 120,000gns Ylg '12 TAOCT; 40,000gns 2yo '14 TA14.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Hank the Tank, g, 3, <u>In Summation</u>--Rebooked, by Notebook. SA, 6-26, 6f, 1:09.08. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *\$77,000 2yo '15 OBSAPR.

Trensita, f, 4, <u>Curlin</u>--Trensa (GSP, \$170,470), by Giant's Causeway. DEL, 6-27, 1 3/8mT, 2:23.14. B-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust (KY). *\$115,000 RNA Ylg '13 KEESEP. **1/2 to Hawkbill (Kitten's Joy), GSW-Eng, \$124,728.

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