



TUESDAY'S BELMONT STAKES REPORT



Stradivari | Sherackatthetrack

by Steve Sherack

ELMONT, NY - As the expected field size for the final leg of the Triple Crown continues to swell--up to 13 at last count--there was plenty to take in on a very warm and humid Tuesday morning at beautiful Belmont Park.

The New York-bred **Governor Malibu** (Malibu Moon), a rallying second in the local prep GII Peter Pan S., got the day started with a gallop shortly after 6 a.m. as the sun began to rise on the backstretch near the training track. Trainer Christophe Clement, also responsible for popular 2014 GI Belmont S. hero Tonalist (Tapit), was later on hand with New York Racing Association officials and prominent owner Michael Dubb to help ring the New York Stock Exchange's Opening Bell in Manhattan to highlight this week's Belmont S. Racing Festival.

The formidable Todd Pletcher trained-duo of **Destin** (Giant's Causeway) and **Stradivari** (Medaglia d'Oro) got their first feel of the main track about 10 minutes later after logging all of their previous work, including a pair of four-furlong moves Friday, on the nearby training track.

The blinkered Destin, led out with a stable pony, got a little hot during his gallop, and understandably so, as the sun showed little mercy under cloudless skies despite the very early hour.

DESORMEAUX BROS ALL SMILES TUESDAY

by Brian DiDonato

ELMONT, NY - Brothers Keith and Kent Desormeaux, trainer and rider, respectively, of GI Belmont S. favorite **Exaggerator** (Curlin), were in a jovial mood Tuesday morning after the GI Preakness S. winner and GI Kentucky Derby runner-up turned in his final breeze for Saturday's "Test of the Champion." With Hall of Famer Kent in the irons, the dark bay was clocked in 1:00 4/5 for five panels.

"The best I can say is, in comparison [to his work before the Derby and Preakness], it was the same. All systems go," Kent offered at a press briefing trackside.

Kent continued to describe the work, and older brother Keith took to asking the questions.

Kent: "Good energy."

Keith: "He wasn't stronger?"

Kent: "Lots of fluidity."

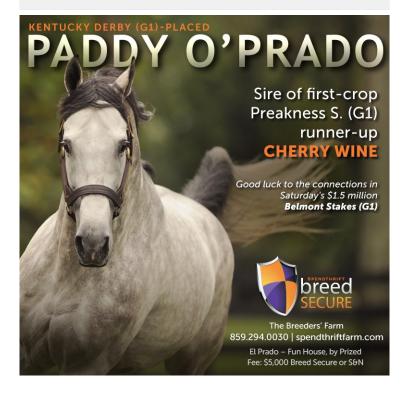
Keith: "I'd prefer him to be stronger. Was he stronger?"

Kent: "No, he was the same." Cont. p4

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You make bath time lots of fun... Exaggerator (Curlin) amuses himself (and everyone around him) with his antics during his post-breeze bath on Tuesday morning. Belmont news continues on page 3. | Sarah Andrew

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Belmont Stakes Report (cont. from p1)

A Twin Creeks Racing Stable and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners colorbearer, Destin heads to the Belmont S. off a non-



Destin | Sherackatthetrack

threatening sixth-place finish in the GI Kentucky Derby after posting a pair of well-regarded graded stakes wins at Tampa earlier this term.

'TDN Rising Star' Stradivari, a bit more eager to get down to business, briefly tossed his head while getting underway before turning in a very good-looking

gallop under a snug hold. The handsome dark bay seems to have bounced out of his educational fourth-place finish in the GI

Preakness S. in just his fourth career start feeling quite well. Both Pletcher runners will school in the paddock at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

It was just another day at the office for G2 UAE Derby hero and Preakness fifth **Lani** (Tapit), who galloped during his typical

extended stay on the main track at 6:40 a.m. The gray, sporting a dark red bridle as well as front wraps, did seem to be on his best behavior Tuesday, for what it's worth.

There was a pretty tense moment a little later in the morning when an unraced Ken McPeek-trained 2-year-old was trapped on *top* of the inner rail after tossing his exercise rider. McPeek later Tweeted that the unraced son





of Old Fashioned was thankfully no worse for wear after only suffering some minor scrapes.

A decent-sized group of media began to emerge as Belmont S. favorite **Exaggerator** (Curlin) was led out of the tunnel by trainer Keith Desormeaux after the renovation break at 8:45 a.m.



With his brother Kent in the saddle for the first time since Exaggerator's smashing win in Baltimore, the Derby runner-up breezed five furlongs in a solid 1:00 4/5. Despite drifting a bit at the top of the lane and also switching to his right lead on the early side, he appeared to finish up smartly and was urged to gallop out past the wire as well (video).

The Desormeaux brothers both seemed quite pleased with the piece of work when meeting the press a bit later in the morning.

"He had a nice calm, confident look in his eye and he was under control, so it looks like we're in good shape," Keith Desormeaux said.

Kent Desormeaux added, "He straightened away to the eighth pole, I asked him to quicken and he was full of life and full of speed."

The handsome gray and 'TDN Rising Star' Cherry Wine (Paddy O'Prado), meanwhile, jogged the outer rail going the wrong way relatively unnoticed while the media flocked to Keith Desormeaux awaiting his charge's return. Just up for second at odds of 17-1 in the Preakness, Cherry Wine bounded by with very good energy during his gallop, as did his two-time Grade I-winning stablemate Brody's Cause (Giant's Causeway), who was the last of the Belmont S. contenders to train at about 9:30 a.m. –@SteveSherackTDN

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Desormeaux Bros All Smiles (cont. from p1)

That final quip got a hearty laugh from the assembled members of the media.

"He did switch leads early," Kent acknowledged. "I probably knocked him off balance--it was probably my fault. It was no concern of mine. He floated the turn for maybe 30, 40, 50 yards. I asked him to come back to center, which to me is the two path."

The unique configuration of Belmont's 1 1/2-mile oval might



Exaggerator | Sarah K. Andrew

have had something to do with how Exaggerator worked.

Keith said that Kent had pointed out to him that the colt had never been on his left lead for as long as he was Tuesday.

"With the huge, sweeping turns here, he wasn't

accustomed to being on that left lead that long, so that's why he switched to his right one early at the 5/16 pole," the conditioner explained.



While Kent is based mostly in Southern California these days, he has spent plenty of time in Elmont.

"I rode here eight years--I rode longer here than I did Maryland," he said. "I know how to get from Manhattan to all the beaches. This is home away from home, again. I've had a tenure here of eight years... I got to take a spin around here this morning. It was an eye opener. It is 'The Big Sandy.' It's different, but Exaggerator seemed to enjoy the going."

Keith and Kent have openly admitted that they aren't particularly close, and their adversarial relationship was evident in their interactions Tuesday, but of the impact that Exaggerator has had on them as brothers, Kent said: "I would have to say it has definitely brought us closer, because we *have* to talk now. It's been wonderful. We've been brothers all our lives--you can't pick your family--but he's been my idol all my life and now I'm getting to perform for him."

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Keith Desormeaux leads Exaggerator, with brother Kent aboard, on to the Belmont main track Tuesday | NYRA/Coglianese

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Derby hero went too fast early and settled for third at Old Hilltop.



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As of late Tuesday afternoon, a total of 3,733 Belmont Saturday tickets were still being offered for sale on stubhub.com, virtually all at serious markdowns.

Of those tickets, 113 were available for the Garden Terrace Restaurant at as low as \$264.23--they were sold before the Preakness for around \$500 each, and it's highly unlikely that all 100+--or maybe even most--will ever actually sell before race day.

According to information from SeatGeek.com, tickets in the second floor grandstand preferred section on the Monday after American Pharoah's Preakness victory last year were being offered for an average of \$647. Tuesday, a spot in that same area would have cost you as little as \$50.



According to Seat Geek, there are plenty of good or "amazing" deals still available on Belmont seats | SeatGeek.com

The situation appears equally dire for the resellers on eBay. Most listings on the auction site have received no bids or very low bids, but it's not for lack of trying by those looking to get out on their investments.

"This is where the cheering reaches a crescendo!" practically pleaded one seller of a pair of seats in section 3NU.



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Another desperate soul offering up one Garden Terrace spot lures potential buyers with the opportunity to "watch Nyquist go for the Triple Crown in style" while boasting that the ticket comes complete with "access to betting windows and restrooms for the day."

While the New York Racing Association did save resellers from themselves to an extent this year by limiting Belmont ticket purchases to 12 per household, two policies have added further insult to injury for those looking to recoup what they can.

For one, the majority of Belmont tickets--and all of the more expensive ones--were sold only in print form without the option or ability to receive e-tickets. This means that all ticket sales on sites like Stub Hub and eBay must be completed earlier in the week than they would normally to allow time for shipping. One cannot simply wake up the morning of the Belmont, decide to attend, purchase a ticket online and present it at the gate on his phone.

The second, and perhaps more controversial wrinkle is that Belmont Saturday seats were sold with Friday tickets included-but not for free. For example: those who thought they were purchasing a \$180 ticket for Saturday *only* may not have--or probably didn't--realize they were actually purchasing a \$155 ticket for Saturday and a \$25 ticket for Friday.

And if it's that hard to sell a ticket for a day of racing like Saturday, imagine how hard it is to unload one for Friday.

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PATCHWORK SYSTEM NEEDS TO CHANGE

by Gary Contessa



I have trained Thoroughbreds at a very high level for more than 30 years and I care deeply, not only for the horses under my care, but for the sport itself.

I have advocated for Thoroughbred racing in many ways and with all the discussion about federal legislation recently, particularly at that Congressional Horse Caucus hearing in Washington D.C. in late

April, I would like to take this opportunity to share my thoughts on the subject

For starters, I find that our industry's lack of uniformity when it comes to medication and drugs is simply mind boggling.

It is unreal.

As a trainer, if I'm shipping a horse from my home base at Belmont Park in New York to race in the Ohio Derby, I have to reach out to a regulatory veterinarian in Ohio three or four weeks before my horse in going to compete to find out what treatments are allowed and which ones are not just to ensure that I will be competing on a level playing field.

Can you imagine such a scenario in this country's other major professional sports, like baseball, basketball or football? Can you imagine a baseball player using a treatment that was legal in Los Angeles but illegal in Baltimore?

Yet, in Thoroughbred racing, we have different rules in each of the 38 racing states. We have different drug-testing labs testing for different substances. In fact, we even have different penalties for violators.

It makes absolutely no sense.

I sincerely believe that the patchwork system of rules in this country and the uncertainty that it breeds are more responsible for positive drug tests than the malicious intent of owners, trainers or veterinarians.

I also believe there is a big difference between an overage with a therapeutic medication and a positive drug test for an illegal, performance-enhancing drug, and that violations due to overages with therapeutic drugs are more common than ones involving illegal PEDs.

Overages with therapeutic medications happen. I know because I've had some.

But I've also seen malicious intent at work. I've seen cases where horses have tested positive for drugs that are not even legal in this country and can't even be bought in this country. They certainly have no place in the system of a horse. And yet the trainer gets suspended for a mere 10 days.

Penalties for such violations need to be severe. That's the only way to keep people in line. If we had an independent, impartial, third party handing out those penalties, it would be a tremendous step forward for this game.

Unfortunately, the general public, and maybe even our own fan base, makes no distinction between a therapeutic overage and a performance-enhancing drug. They see the headline about a drug positive and it hurts the image of our sport immensely.

I have read studies of our sport that consistently indicate that a large and growing segment of the general public have a negative impression of our sport. As a trainer, I just want a fair chance to compete on a level playing field, and I believe every trainer feels that way.

That is why even those with a philosophical opposition to medication are forced to use it if they want to win races. I know many owners and trainers who are vehemently opposed to the use of medication, but they treat all their horses with various medications because they realize they are at a distinct disadvantage if they don't.

There has been some movement toward uniformity in recent years, but horsemen and some of the industry's most influential organizations have different views on how to achieve that.

Many horsemen and regulators point to the National Uniform Medication Program as the best vehicle. This is a good start, but it is voluntary and it can take years for it to be uniformly adopted.

Then there are those who believe federal legislation is the best way to go, specifically supporting passage of the Barr-Tonko bill [formally known as the Thoroughbred Horseracing Integrity Act], which would authorize an independent, non-governmental organization to create uniform, high standards in drug and medication testing and enforcement for Thoroughbred horse racing.

I have no affiliation with groups that are supporting that legislation or those that are fighting against it. As I often repeat to friends and colleagues: I'm an independent voice and proud of it.

But I will say this.

When it comes to achieving true uniformity of medication and drug rules in our sport, we can't continue to have a patchwork system of regulation. It is time for a change and to me the Barr-Tonko bill is the best option for our sport.

Gary Contessa is one of the leading trainers on the New York Racing Association circuit. He holds the single-season record for most wins in New York with 159, and he was the leading trainer on the NYRA circuit in 2006, 2007 and 2008, when his horses earned \$5.4 million, \$7.9 million and \$7.4 million, respectively.

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DUOS SHARE FASTEST TIMES AT OBS

by Jessica Martini

The start of Tuesday's session of the under-tack preview for next week's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's June Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training was delayed some 45 minutes in the wake of Tropical Storm Colin, but once action at the six-day show resumed a pair of juveniles shared the fastest furlong time of :10 flat and two turned in the co-bullet quarter of :21 flat.

Hip 435, a colt by Algorithms, earned the bullet with his :21 flat work for Price Thoroughbreds. The youngster, out of Javelina (Forest Wildcat), is a half-brother to stakes placed Clearance Clarence (Cryptoclearance).

"The colt has always showed promise and he's been getting better all the time," said Andro Price, whose wife Tracey was aboard for the work. "He's a late May foal, so he is maturing every week."

The Prices, both former jockeys who pinhook about a dozen horses a year, purchased the dark bay for \$38,000 at last year's Keeneland September Yearling sale.

"He's a nice physical, well-bodied colt and well-balanced," Price said of the juvenile. "He is a strong colt, with a pretty head on him and he's got a nice big, soft eye."

Price added, "He was extremely professional on the racetrack and he has always been that way. He's always been willing to do whatever you've asked of him."

Price admitted track conditions almost caused him to call an audible as the juvenile prepared to work Tuesday.

"When I was walking up there [to the track], a lot of people were going eighths and I think they knew to back up," Price explained. "But I wanted my horse to go a quarter, I wanted to stretch him out to show people that he was further along than an eighth-of-a-mile and much closer to getting to the races. When I was walking up there, I heard one go in :23 2/5 and that started making me a little nervous. I thought maybe this track is terrible. It was really hot and muggy when he was going up there and the horse right in front of us worked in :23. If Tracey could have heard me, I would have hollered to her, 'Only go an eighth.' The horses were slow up there the time he was up there, but it was very hot and humid and all the water on it slowed the track down. If you could have gone out there first thing in the morning, I think you would have had a little more of an opportunity when it was still cooler out."

Also working a quarter in :21 flat Tuesday was hip 453, a daughter of Macho Uno. Consigned by Eddie Woods, the juvenile is out of Kassidy's Kiss (Belong to Me) and is a half-sister to stakes winner Kiss N Scat (Scat Daddy).

Hip 484, a colt by Candy Ride (Arg), shared the furlong bullet of :10 flat. Out of La Maestranza (Storm Cat), a daughter of Grade I winner Cash Run (Seeking the Gold), the youngster is consigned by Bobby Dodd, Agent XIV.

Also working in :10 flat was hip 592, a daughter of Put It Back. Consigned by Weston Thoroughbreds Training & Sales, the chestnut filly is out of Missys Lolity (Dixie Union), a half-sister to graded stakes placed Talullah Lula (Old Trieste).

The under-tack show continues through Friday with sessions beginning daily at 7:30 a.m. The June sale will be held next Tuesday through Friday beginning each day at 10:30 a.m.

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OBS JUNE 2-YEAR-OLDS IN TRAINING Tuesday's Under-Tack Preview

Fastest Furlong works

Time	Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam
<u>:10</u>	<u>484</u>	colt	Candy Ride (Arg)	La Maestranza
	(Consigne	ed by Bobby Dodd, Age	ent XIV
<u>:10</u>	<u>592</u>	filly	Put It Back	Missys Lolity
Consi	gned by	Weston	Thoroughbreds Traini	ing & Sales, agent

Fastest Two-Furlong Works

<u>:21</u>	<u>435</u>	colt	<u>Algorithms</u>	Javelina		
	Cons	igned by	Price Thoroughbre	ds LLC, agent		
<u>:21</u>	<u>453</u>	filly	Macho Uno Kassidy's Kiss			
	Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent X					



HERE COMES EXTERMINATOR! by Eliza McGraw

Review by T.D. Thornton

He still gets included on the list of all-time Thoroughbred greats if you extend the list long enough, but what hazy recollections come to mind when you hear the name Exterminator? Perhaps you remember him as the 1918 GI Kentucky Derby winner--as a gelding, no less--or maybe you recall tall tales about how much of a fan favorite he was nearly a century ago, even though Exterminator was, by the kindest accounts, an ungainly, plain-faced chestnut nicknamed "Old Bones" or "The Galloping Hat Rack." He won an incredible 50 races from 99 career starts, and swept the Saratoga Cup four years in a row back when that race existed as a huge deal.

You could gain even more of an appreciation for Exterminator if you cobbled together a set of his lifetime past performances. His exploits would be there right in front of you in black and white, which is fitting because Exterminator hails from a decidedly black-and-white era that spans the World War I years into the Roaring Twenties. But impressive as they are, raw statistics don't even begin to tell his story.

If you would instead like to experience Exterminator and the

time during which he reigned in vivid, vibrant color, then I suggest you pick up a copy of Eliza McGraw's splendid new book "Here Comes Exterminator! The Long-Shot Horse, the Great

War, and the Making of an American Hero" (Thomas Dunne Books, \$26.99 hardcover). McGraw fleshes out Exterminator's fascinating overall mosaic with deft touches of deeply researched detail to recount "an extraordinary time in America [that] pushed Exterminator to his extraordinary place and molded his image once he was there."



Eliza McGraw

Exterminator's impressive list of on-track accomplishments reads like, well, just a list without the context and texture that

McGraw provides to widen our field of view. An unfashionably bred and extremely late (May 30) foal of 1915 who was born on what is now Ramsey Farm in Nicholasville, Kentucky, not much was expected of Exterminator early on. Yet the gelding with the laid-back demeanor of a cart horse plied his trade capably enough on mid-level circuits in Canada, and in the spring of 1918 he was purchased for short money to be the workmate of one of the Derby favorites. It is at this juncture that his tale takes on some depth, largely because of the personalities of his human handlers.

Exterminator's new owner, Willis Sharpe Kilmer, was an upstate New York millionaire who made a fortune peddling a quack pharmaceutical called Swamp Root. He built and shattered many things, including marriages, family ties, companies, and partnerships. Once he got into racing, he craved acceptance by racing's upper crust but constantly found himself in the position of being "new money snubbed by old money." Even though his horses got the best of everything, Kilmer at first regarded Exterminator as little more that a "goat" compared to his more accomplished Sun Briar, who he felt was destined to become the star of American racing.

Exterminator had been purchased at the urging Kilmer's private trainer, Henry McDaniel, a consummate horseman widely considered "less sober than a banker but more conservative than a gambler." McDaniel was forever trying to outrun the shadow of his famous father, a Civil War-era colonel who had the distinction of owning and training three straight GI Belmont S. winners. As he attempted to overcome his wife's 1914 suicide, the younger McDaniel was yearning for one great horse to save him, but his business relations with Kilmer made for a jarringly juxtaposed pairing: McDaniel was an upstanding racetracker who had legitimacy, but was seeking a big break; Kilmer could afford to shell out lavish sums to buy big breaks, but couldn't quite purchase legitimacy.

Even after the rains came and Exterminator upset the 1918 Derby (he was a superior mudder), Kilmer was adamant about relegating the ugly-duckling gelding to second-fiddle status

behind Sun Briar. When the two subsequently were entered in stakes together, Sun Briar would often be "declared" as the horse with whom Kilmer was trying to win (this was common in the days before coupled entries), and the pretentious owner went to great lengths to prove to himself that he was right about which was the superior Thoroughbred.

At one point, after closing day of the Saratoga season, Kilmer staged a time trial race in which Sun Briar was provided with a pacemaker to try and establish a record for the fastest mile. On another (secret) occasion that was not made public until years later, Kilmer supposedly held a private match race between Sun Briar and Exterminator. The result won't be divulged here in the interest of not spoiling a good plot point.

Some of the most interesting parts of McGraw's book actually have little to do with Exterminator. For example, I have always wondered what happened to American racing during the 1910s decade. Most takes on the history of this era tell us the sport was dying off as a result of the temperance

movement and an anti-gambling backlash. But a reporting gap generally exists where all of a sudden it's the Roaring Twenties and the sport is portrayed as back to being robust and thriving. What exactly turned the tide between 1910 and 1920?

The answer has to do with the subtitle of the book. McGraw details how the "remount cause" grew out of a very real fear that America, if it became drawn into the Great War, wouldn't have enough horses to bolster a proper cavalry. Thoroughbred racing's sporting men of means-the Belmonts, the Vanderbilts, the Whitneys-donated retired and active racers, stallions, and even surplus horses they bred specifically for the war cause to the United States government. It became not only a patriotic duty to do so, but

a way to show the Allies (the British specifically, who scoffed at allowing poorly documented American Thoroughbreds into their stud records) that American horses were hearty, hale, and capable of helping to win a war. On the home front, the ingenious public-relations side effect of this effort was that racehorses became endeared to a new generation of Americans, and the sport was saved from disrepute and dissolution.

After the Great War, Exterminator more or less endured too, as a racehorse who withstood great on-track challenges year after year. McGraw does an admirable job of tying in how emerging forms of media--most notably the new genres of sports writing and the wild popularity of motion pictures-helped to transform Exterminator from being viewed as "Abe Lincoln on Stilts" to a powerful stayer whose action was "low and frictionless," with "unwasted motion" and the spring of a "rubber ball."

Newspapermen like Grantland Rice churned out story after

story about kindly Exterminator nosing for sugar in McDaniel's coat pockets after carrying absurd weights in handicap races, and having so much energy afterward that he might drag his jockey an entire extra lap on the gallop-out. Exterminator is believed to be one of the first athletes--equine or otherwise--to be featured in a silent film, and even Americans who could watch him uncoil his characteristic late kick only on newsreels marveled at his dominance as an old-fashioned stamina horse who could seemingly run forever.

Of course, "forever" was only supposed to be Jazz Age hyperbole, but Kilmer never got the memo. Over time he grudgingly began to respect Exterminator the way fans who sent the gelding crates of apples and cases of ginger ale (his favorite treats) did. But at the same time Kilmer became obsessed with having Exterminator win multiple runnings of certain stakes races before badly wanting him to break Man o' War's lifetime earnings mark.

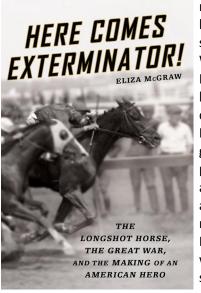
By 1923, Exterminator had been kicked by a rival prior to a race, picked up the disturbing habit of swishing his tail during races, and sometimes refused to eat after competing. When he developed osselets at age eight, Kilmer ordered his legs pinfired. McDaniel himself had been fired and rehired several times during the mind-spinning litany of trainers that Kilmer blew through, and by the time the gelding was \$1,140 away from Man o' War's prize money mark, he was only able to chip away at it in increments of hundreds of dollars at far-flung tracks in Mexico and Canada. A nation of fans was split between calling for Exterminator's well-earned retirement and wanting him to achieve the lofty earnings goal, a spectacle McGraw describes as "painful" to watch at the end. The racehorse that actor

Charlie Chaplin had dubbed "the people's horse" had been pushed to the brink, or as some would argue, past it.

Today, almost a century after Exterminator's era, consumers of horse racing literature practically demand "happily ever after" endings. Although Exterminator's final on-track appearance was definitely not a joyous occasion, McGraw chooses not to end his story there, allowing him the poetic justice he deserves by recounting how for decades after his racing career ended, Old Bones still had a strong hold on the heart of the nation.

"Exterminator managed somehow to be both a gentleman and an American," McGraw notes near the end of the book. "A horse with a rugged constitution and class. Americans wanted him to win because he represented the best of them. He may have been owned by a rich man, but Exterminator was their soldier, a horse with a work ethic."

-@thorntontd



EASTERN U.S.

Tuesday's Results:

8th-PRX, \$52,000, Msw, 6-7, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42.10, ft. TENGGARA (f, 3, Super Saver--La Defense, by Wild Again) faded to fifth in her career bow in Hallandale Mar. 18 and plugged on to be fourth switched to the turf course and stretched to 1 1/8 miles there Apr. 24. Transferred from Todd Pletcher to this barn, the \$190,000 KEESEP yearling turned \$230,000 OBSMAR juvenile (:21 1/5), was 5-1 in this return to dirt with first-time blinkers. In a battling third behind a :49.24 half-mile, the bay snuck up to even terms on the rail and set sail for home through three-quarters in 1:15.28. Go Go Dana (Malibu Moon) tried to make a race of it inside the final furlong, but the Florida-bred held that foe safe by 4 3/4 lengths at the wire. Tenggara is a half-sister to Quelle Surprise (Slew Gin Fizz), SW, \$141,706, as well as a 2015 filly by Tiz Wonderful and a 2016 daughter of Colonel John. La Defense is a half-sister to GIII Modesty H. victress Noisette (Broad Brush). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$32,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Matthew Schera; B-Sally J. Andersen (FL); T-James L. Lawrence, II.

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Wednesday, Delaware Park, post time: 4:45 p.m. EDT **OUR MIMS S.**, \$50,000, 3yo, f, 1m 70yds

PP HORSE SIRF **JOCKEY TRAINER** ML Miss Inclusive Include Navarro Servis 4-1 2 Clair de Lune Malibu Moon Cintron Brown 6-1 3 Little Cyclone City Zip Sanchez Coletti 15-1 Martini Glass Kitalpha Carrasco **Nations** 12-1 8-1 5 Dark Nile Pioneerof the Nile Bravo Delacour Medaglia d'Oro McGaughey III 6-1 Browse Ortiz Lookout Sister Giant's Causeway McCarthy Motion 8-1 Dreams to Reality Lookin At Lucky Carmouche Dilger 12-1 Midnight On Oconee Midnight Lute 9-2 Saez Iones 10 Valueable Charmer Value Plus Rodriguez Bennett 12-1 11 It's the Truth Yes It's True 10-1 Prado Motion

Delaware-based Larry Jones is looking to send out his third winner of this race, after saddling GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Proud Spell (Proud Citizen) in 2008 and 2015 winner White Clover (Exchange Rate), with Cottonwood Stables runner Midnight On Oconee. Runner-up in the GII Rachel Alexandra S. this February, the dark bay tired to 10th two starts later behind Go Maggie Go (Ghostzapper) in the GII Black-Eyed Susan S. at Old Hilltop May 20.

Morning-line favoritism falls to Main Line Racing Stable and Joshtylane Farm's Miss Inclusive, first past the post in the May 7 Parx Oaks with Everest Stables's re-opposing Little Cyclone third. 'TDN Rising Star' Browse, a last-out winner in a one-mile Belmont allowance May 5, aims to add some black-type to her resume for owner/breeder Phipps Stable, while Nations Racing Stable's Martini Glass, who was last seen landing a May 12 offthe-turfer at Pimlico, attempts to make it four straight victories in her first stakes try. New York shippers--GII Gazelle S. fourth and Busher S. bridesmaid **Dreams to Reality** and sixth-place finisher Clair de Lune, who leads the field with an 88 Beyer--add intrigue to this contest. -- HLAnderson TDN

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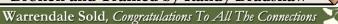
CENTRAL U.S.

Tuesday's Results:

1st-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 6-7, 3, 4,/5yo, f/m, 6f, 1:11.78, ft. +LEMONISCIOUS (f, 3, Bellamy Road--Lemon Crusta, by Lemon Drop Kid), a regular on the Churchill Downs worktab dating back to early April, was sent off at 5-2 in this unveiling. Bothered at the bell, the bay kept tabs on the leading trio from a three-wide fourth through an opening quarter in :22.45 before inching up to second at the half-mile marker behind favored Vienna Rose (Discreet Cat). Edging clear, although five wide in the home straight, Lemoniscious stayed true to the line, winning by two lengths. Fellow firster Majestic Island (Majestic Warrior) bested Vienna Rose for place honors. A daughter of Lemon Crusta, who captured her lone start at Parx in 2011, the winner is a halfsister to a yearling colt by Mineshaft and a 2016 colt by Flatter. Sales history: \$100,000 Ylg '14 FTSAUG; \$30,000 RNA 2yo '15 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Cheyenne Stables LLC; B-Lazy Lane Farms, LLC. (VA); T-Brad H. Cox.





KENTUCKY

Old Friends' Delay of Game Dead at 23:

Graded stakes winner Delay of Game (Summer Squall) has died due to the infirmities of old age, Old Friends thoroughbred retirement farm announced Tuesday. The 23-year-old gelding, who also suffered from the neurological disease Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis (EPM), was euthanized at the Georgetown, Kentucky farm Monday evening. Cont. p2

Old Friends' Delay of Game Dead at 23 Cont.

Delay of Game had been pensioned at Old Friends since 2010. In his racing days, the dark bay competed until the age of eight for trainer Rusty Arnold, winning 16 times from 48 starts and amassing earnings of \$809,023. Delay of Game served as a stable pony and riding horse for the Arnold family for a time following his retirement, but was sent to Old Friends as a permanent home once he was diagnosed with EPM.

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IN FRANCE:

+Harcourt Street, c, 2, Lonhro (Aus). See "France."

IN SOUTH KOREA:

First Magical, c, 3, <u>First Dude</u>--Magical Promise, by Montbrook. Busan, 6-5, Hcp. *(\$62k)*, 1400m. B-William Pease (FL). *Won by eight lengths as the prohibitive 3-5 favorite to take his record to 3-2-1-0. **\$8,000 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$47,000 2yo '15 OBSJUN.

#Perdido Pomeroy, c, 3, **Pomeroy**--Boldest of All (SW, \$249,864), by Bold Executive. Seoul, 6-5, SBS Korea Japan Goodwill Cup (N) *(\$172k)*, 1200m. B-Soundview Farm (FL). *\$2,500 Ylg '14 OBSAUG; \$22,000 2yo '15 OBSJUN.

#Bichui Jeongsang, m, 5, **Wildcat Heir**--Persimmon Honey, by Colonial Affair. Seoul, 6-5, Ttukseom Cup (N) (\$344k), 1400m. B-AbraCadabra Farms Ltd (FL). *\$30,000 2yo '13 FTMMAY.

<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>

Michael McMahon: President, Thoroughbred Charities of America (TCA)

- McMahon is the co-owner of McMahon and Hill Bloodstock LLC and the founder of Bourbon Lane Racing Stable in Midway, Kentucky. He was elected as president during the annual TCA Board Meeting last month, replacing Dan Rosenberg, who steps down as president. Rosenberg will remain on the Board of Directors.
- "Thoroughbred Charities of America has a critical role to play and its founders and current board have entrusted this officer group with a great responsibility," said McMahon. "I remember being at Herb and Ellen [Moelis's Candyland Farm] when the TCA Stallion Season Auction was a regional affair. To see how TCA has grown, and knowing that TCA has overseen the responsible distribution of over \$21 million since 1990 is inspirational. We hope to continue the excellent example set by Dan Rosenberg and his board, to continue the TCA's mission for horses and the people who care for them."



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First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, June 8

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2013 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/
BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

DOMINUS (Smart Strike), Spendthrift Farm, \$6.5K, 50/0/0

1-EVD, Msw 4 1/2f, +P Boo, 9-2

STAY THIRSTY (Bernardini), Ashford Stud, \$17.5K, 90/2/0

1-DEL, Msw 5f, +She's Thirsty, \$7K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

TAPIZAR (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$15K, 100/1/0

Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, June 8

4-DEL, Msw 5f, +Thurman Merman, \$8K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/
BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available) Please
note: from Jan. 1-Apr. 30 all starters will be listed here. From June 1-Dec. 31, only
offspring that are first-time starters or starting in a stakes race will be listed here.

J P'S GUSTO (Successful Appeal), Journeyman Stud, \$2K, 50/10/0

1-DEL, Msw 5f, +La Key, \$25K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 8-1

TIZ THE ONE (Tiznow), Red River Farms, 64/14/0

1-EVD, Msw 4 1/2f, +Suzie's Dream, \$23K ESL YRL yrl, 12-1

TODAY'S FEATURED VIDE⊖ REPLAYS

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Third time was the charm for Tenggara (Super Saver), who landed a maiden special weight at Parx Tuesday.

BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-IND, \$36,000, (S), 6-7, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.23, ft. SCOOTER BUG BUG (g, 4, Arromanches--Rare Deb, by Rare Brick) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-1, \$51,780. O/B-Rhonda Day (IN); T-Donald E. Dearth.

Breeders' Edition Cont.

8th-IND, \$34,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$30,000), 6-7, 3yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.72, fm.

FOUND A DIAMOND (f, 3, <u>Colonel John</u>--Somalia, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-2, \$44,185. O-Calvin Johnston & Carlos Tonda; B-Ralph Kinder & Erv Woolsey (KY); T-Anthony J. Granitz. *\$25,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP.

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5th-PID, \$32,760, 6-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.99, ft.

BEKKI'S DANCE (f, 4, Dance With Ravens--I'm a Little Busy {SP}, by Polish Numbers) Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-1, \$86,765.

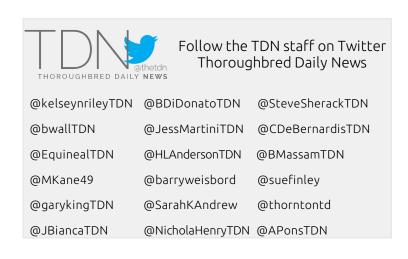
O-Michael Cascio; B-Jodie Pointer (PA); T-Todd M. Beattie. *1/2 to She's Got Thefever (Gold Fever), SP, \$222,622.

2nd-IND, \$20,000, (S), 6-7, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.75, ft. GRANDPA GRUMPY (g, 6, Article of Faith--Just Michel {MSW, \$419,323}, by Pacific Waves) Lifetime Record: 28-12-4-3, \$207,934. O-M. Y. Stables, Inc.; B-South River Ranch Inc (IN); T-Michael W. Nance.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sights and Sounds, c, 3, Pollard's Vision--Whistlin' Jean (SW, \$192,007), by Pure Prize. IND, 6-7, (S), 1m, 1:39.10. B-Michael E. & Penny S. Lauer (IN). *Won by 10 3/4 lengths.

Guilty Twelve, f, 4, <u>Giant's Causeway</u>--Arkadina (Ire) (GSP-Ire), by Danehill. PID, 6-6, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.01. B-Merry Fox Stud Limited (KY).









BILL OPPENHEIM: EURO DERBIES



Sea The Stars after winning the G1 Investec Derby in 2009. His son, Harzand, emulated his victory on the weekend | Racing Post

Sea The Stars, no less than a half-brother to Galileo, by Cape Cross, had a truly perfect 3-year-old campaign in 2009. Winner of two of his three starts, including the G2 Beresford S., for his owner-breeders, the Tsui family, as a 2-year-old in 2008, Sea The Stars went six-for six at three under the tutelage of Irish trainer John Oxx, winning the G1 English 2000 Guineas and G1 Epsom Derby, followed by three 10-furlong wins in races open to older horses--the G1 Eclipse S., G1 Juddmonte International, and G1 Irish Champion S .-- and then finishing off with the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. It seems like the connections of almost every Derby winner suppose it will help their horse, commercially at least, to show they can defeat older horses in a Group 1 at 10 furlongs, even though the ones that turn out to be the real sires tend to be 12-furlong horses anyway, like Galileo himself, and Montjeu. Anyway, Sea The Stars knocked over those three races like tenpins and retired at the end of the 2009 season to the Aga Khan's Irish station, Gilltown Stud, with a 2009 Timeform rating of 140, which rated him among the top 10 European racehorses of the last 70 years. Personally, I thought he was the best racehorse I had seen in Europe in the 30 years I'd been following European racing, up to that time. cont. p2

SNITZEL FILLY TOPS YEARLING OPENER

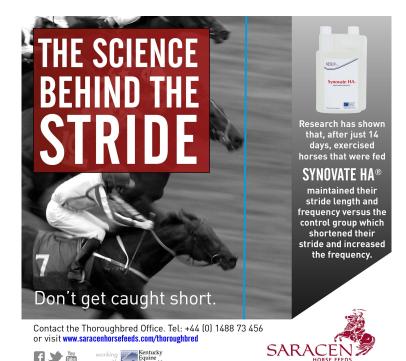
The two-day Magic Millions National Yearling Sale got underway on the Gold Coast on Tuesday, with figures well-up on last year's renewal. The number of horses catalogued was up (230 versus 211), and so was the clearance rate, which finished at 82% compared to 69% last year, with 169 yearlings sold for A\$7,638,000, more than double last year's session one gross of A\$3,235,000 for 133 sold. The averaged soared 85.8% to A\$45,195. A total of 21 yearlings sold for six-figures on the day.

"We have already sold more six-figure yearlings than we did for the whole sale in 2015," Magic Millions Managing Director Vin Cox said. "Competition was very strong right throughout the day as evidenced with a clearance rate over 82%. If you cast your eyes through the results it is as diverse a buying bench as you would see." Cont. in Worldwide News p8

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

DESORMEAUX BROS ALL SMILES

The brother team of trainer Keith and jockey Kent Desormeaux held a jovial and entertaining press conference Tuesday morning to update the masses on GI Preakness S. hero Exaggerator (Curlin). Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.



From the desk of... BILL OPPENHEIM



Euro Derbies cont. from p1

He stood for €85,000 in 2010, which was probably one of the all-time bargains, caused by the world economic collapse of 2008; otherwise he'd surely have retired for a figure more like the €125,000 he now commands. He also

commanded one of the greatest opening books of mares ever covered by a stallion.

Sea The Stars's first crop included three 3-year-old Group 1 winners in 2014: G1 Epsom Oaks and G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. winner Taghrooda; G1 German Derby winner Sea The Moon; and G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner Vazira; at the end of 2014 Sea The Stars and Coolmore's **Mastercraftsman** were neck-and-neck for leading 2014 European second-crop sire honors, but Sea The Stars looked poised to rocket into the stratosphere. However, 2015 was a little bit disappointing: Sea The Stars had no Group 1 winners at all last year, and finished third among 2015 European third-crop sires by progeny earnings behind the Coolmore duo of Mastercraftsman and Fastnet Rock



Harzand winning the Derby | *Racing Post*

(Northern Hemisphere version).

Now, with his first crop 5-year-olds and his third crop of 3-year-olds racing (which makes him a 'fourth-crop' sire, meaning four crops of racing age), Sea

The Stars has notched up his fourth Group 1 winner with Harzand's game win in Saturday's G1 Epsom Derby. Not surprisingly Sea The Stars now has quite a substantial lead among European fourth crop sires by 2016 North American and European earnings (click here), but he has also edged back ahead of Mastercraftsman in terms of cumulative NA/EU earnings (click here), though Mastercraftsman still leads when worldwide earnings are included, principally by virtue of The Grey Gatsby's \$1.2-million second to Solow in the \$6-million 2015 G1 Dubai Turf. In terms of their NA/EU statistics, the TDN sire lists show Sea The Stars and Mastercraftsman with 132 and 133 winners, respectively, and over \$11-million in cumulative NA/EU progeny earnings; among European fourth-crop sires, the top five also include: Haras De La Cauviniere's top French sire, Le Havre (\$6.7-million); Fastnet Rock (\$6.3-million); and Banstead Manor's (Juddmonte) Champs Elysees (\$4.5-million).

Sea The Stars leads in all 'worldwide black-type from Northern Hemisphere-sired crops' categories, with 25 Black-Type Winners; 46 Black-Type Horses; 14 Group Winners (GSW); 28 Group Horses (GSH); four Group 1 winners (Mastercraftsman and Fastnet Rock's NH-sired crops have three each, Le Havre two, both winners of the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches-French 1000 Guineas); and eight Group 1 horses. Yes, he has had one of the all-time great books of mare support, which helps, but we all know nothing guarantees success. Even when his numbers have looked less than overwhelming the market has never really wavered in its support of and belief in Sea The Stars and, as usual, the market is being proved right. Sea The Stars has come back strong in 2016 to validate his standing.

Sea The Stars's older half-brother Galileo sired the Derby two-three, both trained by Aidan O'Brien: eventual race favorite US Army Ranger and Idaho. Second-favorite Wings of Desire (Pivotal) ran fourth, and it's entirely possible the first four from Epsom will meet again for the G1 Irish Derby at The Curragh. Looking at the YTD General Sire List for EU sires' earnings in North America and Europe, and combined with Minding's ultra-game win in Friday's G1 Epsom Oaks, Galileo now has

NA/EU 2016 progeny earnings over \$4.5-million, and now his half-brother Sea The Stars moves into (an albeit distant) second, with 2016 progeny earnings over \$2.2-million (click here). In terms of worldwide black-type



Sea The Stars's half-brother Galileo sired Friday's Oaks winner Minding | Racing Post

from Northern Hemisphere-sired crops, Galileo leads in all black-type categories, with 21 Black-Type Winners and 40 Black-Type Horses; 10 Group Winners and 26 Group Horses; and three Group 1 winners and eight Group 1 Horses.

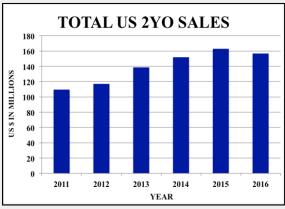
Sunday's G1 Prix Du Jockey-Club (French Derby), run over 2100 meters (10 1/2 furlongs) since 2005, is a different kettle of fish. To many observers (including this one) the shortening of the French Derby distance weakened both that race and the G1 Irish Derby, since the French 12-furlong horses now point to the G1 Grand Prix De Paris, run over 2400 metres on Bastille Day, July 14. Previously, when the French Derby was a 12-furlong race run the day after the Epsom Derby, it set up a potential meeting of the winners, and other combatants, in Ireland; but now we don't even know who the best French 12-furlong 3-year-old is until well after the Irish Derby. Cont. p3



WEEKLY SALES TICKER

by Bill Oppenheim

"With OBS June still to come next week (\$23-million last year, though suffered a massive 10% drop in the clearance rate from \$22-million gross in 2014), a few 2-year-olds in Goffs' London Sale (with come juicy Ascot prospects the main attractions) next Monday and otherwise scattered about, at this point the US 2-year-old sales are down 4% in gross, and the combined US/EU 2-year-old market down 5% in gross, from last year, though the averages are down only around 1%. The 2-year-old market hasn't actually changed very much since 2014. It's amazing how it works out: nobody plans it, yet when you look at a broad picture we can see there is demand for \$200-million-plus for 2-year-olds in training."



TOTAL US 2YO SALES AS OF JUNE 6, 2016

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	<u>% W/D</u>	<u>% S/R</u>	<u>% S/C</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	AVE
2016	2,856	2,007	1,494	29.7%	74.4%	52.3%	\$ 156,609,300	\$ 104,826
2015	2,867	2,034	1,547	29.1%	76.1%	54.0%	\$ 162,987,300	\$ 105,357
2014	2,899	2,081	1,595	28.2%	76.6%	55.0%	\$ 151,847,700	\$ 95,202
2013	2,665	1,941	1,561	27.2%	80.4%	58.6%	\$ 138,823,950	\$ 88,933
2012	2,849	2,084	1,607	26.9%	77.1%	56.4%	\$ 117,003,000	\$ 72,808
2011	3,232	2,367	1,785	26.8%	75.4%	55.2%	\$ 109,344,300	\$ 61,257



TOTAL US AND EUROPEAN 2YO SALES AS OF JUNE 6, 2016

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	<u>% W/D</u>	<u>% S/R</u>	<u>% S/C</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>AVE</u>
2016	3,926	2,906	2,172	26.0%	74.7%	55.3%	\$ 200,216,885	\$ 92,181
2015	3,909	2,900	2,246	25.8%	77.4%	57.5%	\$ 209,823,161	\$ 93,421
2014	3,924	2,921	2,260	25.6%	77.4%	57.6%	\$ 191,455,358	\$ 84,715
2013	3,629	2,750	2,176	24.2%	79.1%	60.0%	\$ 170,401,585	\$ 78,310
2012	3,899	2,955	2,263	24.2%	76.6%	58.0%	\$ 147,956,952	\$ 65,381
2011	4,115	3,123	2,326	24.1%	74.5%	56.5%	\$ 133,898,210	\$ 57,566

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



Urban Sea, brilliant in both careers. | (left, as a broodmare) Peter Mooney, (right, 1993 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe) Gerry Cranham/Racing Post

Bill Oppenheim cont.

All that goes into the 'unintended consequences' file. Meanwhile, the new-look 2100m French Derby was won in good style by Almanzor, trained by Jean-Claude Rouget and one of just 10 winners from only 20 foals from the first crop of Haras D'Etreham's **Wootton Bassett**, with arguably the best-bred colt on the planet, Zarak, by Dubawi out of the unbeaten 'Arc' winner Zarakava, second, and Dicton, by Lawman, third. Wootton Bassett is perhaps better known in Britain than in France, even though he won the 2010 G1 Jean-Luc Lagardere to become champion 2-year-old in France, and stands at a top French stud farm; he was from the first crop by Darley's Iffraai, a



Wootton Bassett | Etreham.com

son of Zafonic, and before winning the Lagardere, trained by Richard Fahey, he had racked up wins in two rich six-furlong sales races in Britain. He led all the way to win the Lagardere to

finish his 2-year-old season unbeaten in five starts. Though he was unplaced in four starts as a 3-year-old, they were all in really top Group 1 races, so for Wootton Bassett to sire a good horse--not a surprise. His patronage up until now has perhaps suffered because he really only ran the one good race in France, so French breeders probably didn't know him that well, but after this result it's a certainty his patronage will improve; look what a first-crop Classic winner did for Le Havre. Almanzor's win did vault Wootton Bassett into second spot, behind Coolmore's **Zoffany**, on the cumulative European second-crop sire list (click here).

One observation which seems important about the weekend's Classics were that they were all run on soft or at least slow ground. There had been an inch of rain at Epsom three days before the race, and the Paris area has had massive rain recently. The times were slow; European 3-year-olds on decent ground will run a mile and a half in 2:30 and change (in America and Japan they would run well under 2:30 on fast ground). Minding won the Oaks in 2:42.66 on Friday, and Harzand won the Derby in 2:40.09 on Saturday. These are not fast times. The times did seem to improve some at Chantilly on Sunday, yet Almanzor won the Jockey-Club in 2:11.62, the slowest time in 12 runnings of the race at 2100m. There has to be the possibility of different results for some of the contestants on firmer ground as the season progresses.

NEXT WEEK: Royal Ascot, best week of racing on the planet, period. Our column next week will be on Thursday, after the first two days. Meantime, a great weekend of racing is on tap at Belmont–20 black-type races tomorrow through Saturday, headlined of course by Exaggerator (Curlin) at even-money in Saturday's GI Belmont S. **Contact Bill Oppenheim at bopp@erb.com (cc suefinley@thetdn.com).**



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BUMPER BOOK FOR TATTERSALLS JULY

The catalogue for the Tattersalls July Sale is now available online and, at 873 lots, is the largest collection of horses for the midsummer mixed auction since 2008.

A sizeable draft from Godolphin, which comprises almost a tenth of the catalogue, contains two Group 1-winning mares in foal to speedy young Darley stallions. The 16-year-old Favourable Terms (GB) (Selkirk) (lot 163), winner of the G1 Nassau S., is carrying to Slade Power (Ire) on an Apr. 3



The 91-rated Mengli Khan will be offered at the Tattersalls July Sale | Racing Post

covering, while the treble Argentinean Group 1 winner **Emotion Parade** (Arg) (Parade Marshal) will be offered as lot 246 in foal to Australian sprinter Brazen Beau (Aus). Also among the Godolphin draft is the 2012 Chesham

S. winner **Tha'Ir (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}) (lot 192).

Regularly featuring a range of offerings from major breeders such as Juddmonte and Shadwell, the July Sale has bragging rights to subsequent group winners Prince Gibraltar (Fr) (Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire), Slumber (GB) (Cacique {GB}) and Goldstream (ITY) (Martino Alonso {Ire}), whose three dams were each bought at the sale for 16,500gns or less.

Along with the 79 lots from Godolphin, Shadwell Stud has consigned 51 horses, while Juddmonte Farms will offer 40. The horses-in-training section features Ibrahim Araci's 91-rated winner Mengli Khan (Ire) (Lope De Vega (Ire)), a 3-year-old half-brother to Group 1 winner Chriselliam, consigned by Hugo Palmer's Kremlin Cottage Stables as lot 450. Palmer's fellow Newmarket trainer, Sir Mark Prescott, has consigned the recent listed-placed 3-year-old **Bear Faced (GB)** (Intikhab) (lot 802), while the easy May 25 victory for Felix Leiter (GB) (Monsieur Bond (Ire) has seen him rise to a mark of 94 and entered for the sale as lot 772.

"We have catalogued almost 900 lots for this year's Tattersalls July Sale and, as well as being the largest July Sale since 2008, it is a catalogue of real quality and diversity," said Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony. "The July Sale is a proven source of Group 1 performers and the classic July Sale combination of quality breeding stock and promising horses in training looks set to attract the usual mix of domestic and international buyers."

The sale, which coincides with three days of top-class racing on Newmarket's July Course, takes place over three days from

Wednesday, July 6, starting with broodmares and progressing to horses in training.

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THREE ADDED TO GOFFS LONDON SALE

The catalogue for the Goffs London Sale at The Orangery at Kensington Palace on Monday, June 13, has now reached an even 50 with the addition of three lots Tuesday.

Carriganog Racing is set to offer lot 48, the improving Justice Frederick (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}), a debut third at Tipperary May 26 and who provided Joseph O'Brien with his first victory as a trainer at Gowran Park June 6 (video). The juvenile colt, a halfbrother to GSW Manieree (Ire) (Medicean {GB}), is out of a winning half-sister to G1 Vodafone Derby hero Oath (Ire) (Fairy King).

Also added to the auction as lot 49 is Great Page (Ire) (Roderic

O'Connor (Ire)), a listed winner at Naas in just her third career start last June and victorious in the G3 Longines Prix du Cavaldos at Deauville in August. Trained by Richard Hannon for Middleham Park



Great Page | Racing Post photo

Racing, she was third in this year's Listed European Free H. at Newmarket during the Craven meeting Apr. 13.

"Great Page was a leading 2-year-old filly winning her Listed race by three lengths at Naas as well as the G3 Prix Du Calvados," said Middleham Park's Tim Palin. "Stakes placed this year, she looks sure to continue progressing as a granddaughter of Galileo."

The third horse to be supplemented is the Joe Tuite-trained Madam Dancealot (Ire) (Sir Prancealot (Ire)), a promising runner-up to Al Shaqab Racing's well-regarded and subsequently listed-placed Mehmas (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) on her lone racetrack appearance at Chester May 5 (video). The bay filly, catalogued as lot 50, hails from the female family of US GISW Danish (Ire) (Danehill). She will be offered carrying an entry for the G2 Queen Mary S.

"Her homework has been very good and she has really blossomed since running a close second in the best 2yo maiden run this season," commented jockey John Egan. "I think she will be very hard to beat in the Queen Mary."

Click here for the entire catalogue.

ASCOT ANNOUNCES UPGRADES

Ascot Racecourse has released details of its enhanced facilities and benefits for horsemen a week ahead of the kickoff of Royal Ascot. The upgrades include a new unsaddling enclosure and new owners' and trainers' dining facilities on the upstairs first floor of the Pre-Parade Ring building. The Grundy Bar on the lawn level has been designated exclusively for owners' and



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trainers', and this year owners will be allocated 10 parade ring passes per horse, up from six last year.

Racehorse Owners Association Chief **Executive Charlie Liverton** said. "The ROA wholeheartedly supports

Ascot's commitment to improving the owner's race day experience and welcomes the changes that are being introduced for Royal Ascot and beyond. It is important that syndicate ownership is encouraged and we look forward to working with Ascot on that project. The doubling in size of the owners' facility at Royal Ascot is particularly welcome and reinforces the importance Ascot places on the owner."

Breeders are set to benefit as well, with all breeders of winners at Royal Ascot receiving a Royal Ascot-branded Strawberry Dish on July 22. Breeders will also for the first time receive two owner/trainer badges for the day their horse runs.

Following Royal Ascot, the racecourse will open a suite in the clock tower building at the heart of the pre-parade ring for syndicate owners and breeders.

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AT THE RACES SIGNS BREEDERS' CUP DEAL

At the Races has once again secured all UK and Irish broadcasting and betting rights, as well as international online streaming and betting rights to several further territories, to the 2016 Breeders' Cup World Championships Nov. 5 and 6 at Santa Anita. At The Races, which last year recorded a total audience of 457,000 for Breeders' Cup Saturday, will acquire licensed betting shop rights for the Breeders' Cup for the first time as part of the agreement.

Matthew Imi, chief executive of At The Races, said, "The Breeders' Cup continues to be an exceptional sports event and a genuine showcase for Thoroughbred horse racing across the world. Along with regular updates and reports on the Challenge Series we are proud to bring the Breeders' Cup to life for viewers across our platform."

Craig Fravel, president and CEO of Breeders' Cup Limited, said, "At The Races has been a great media partner for several years in the UK and Ireland and we are delighted to be extending our agreement. Their coverage and promotional support across a range of channels is something we really value, not just for the event itself but for our sponsor partners."

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GOLD-FUN PREPS FOR ROYAL ASCOT

Gold-Fun (Ire) (Le Vie Dei Colori (GB)) tuned up for his appearance in the June 18 G1 Diamond Jubilee S. with an easy barrier trial up the 1000-metre straight course Tuesday morning at Sha Tin Racecourse.

Fitted with pacifiers and partnered in the trial by jockey Chad Schofield, the blaze-faced chestnut jumped more or less on terms and landed near the speed while not asked to do so. On



Gold-Fun winning the Jockey Club Sprint HKJC photos

the pace throughout, he was not fully extended to cross the line in third while clocking a time of :58 flat (video) to the satisfaction of his English ex-pat trainer Richard Gibson.

"We were happy with that," the conditioner remarked.

"We just wanted a nice easy trial before travelling on Friday and Chad was very pleased with his action--he gave him a bit of a blow and it's all systems go for next week. We put the pacifiers on to prevent any risk of an eye injury with any kickback, and he always trials a lot better when he wears his racing gear."

Gold-Fun is set to depart Hong Kong in the early-morning hours of Saturday and is expected to be bedded down in the Abington Place Stables later that evening.

Winner of the G2 Jockey Club Sprint in November, the Pan Sutong runner was second in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint in December and again in the Centenary Sprint Cup the following month. He was most recently fourth to world toprated sprinter Chautauqua (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) in the G1 Chairman's Sprint Prize May 1.

"We've kept this horse very fresh and he runs very well fresh," said Gibson. "This will be his seventh run this season...and we're in the sprint division, so I've got less concerns about that."

Gold-Fun will be ridden by Christophe Soumillon in the Diamond Jubilee.

FOUNDATION FRENCH FLOP A PUZZLER

Connections of **Foundation (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) believe concentration issues were behind his heavy defeat in the G1 French Derby at Chantilly on Sunday. Sent off the 4-1 favourite, the John Gosden-trained 3-year-old weakened tamely before finishing last of the 16 runners.

Harry Herbert, racing manager for owners Highclere Thoroughbred Racing, said: "It was just an absolute head-scratcher. The horse was in terrific form and he had worked well coming into the race. Frankie [Dettori] called me after doing some work on him the other week and he was incredibly excited. He just got very shouty and didn't concentrate in the race. Frankie said that he has known other horses to do that around Chantilly as it is a funny track.

Herbert continued, "His head was in a good place, but he just didn't engage. It was just a concentration issue as I don't think



Herbert (right) and trainer John Gosden
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you can put it down to the ground too much. He was stones below his best ability and everyone involved is immensely disappointed with the horse as we thought we had a real chance of winning a Derby."

Foundation holds several group-race

entries, including in the G2 King Edward VII S. at Royal Ascot next week, but a decision as to where he will next appear has yet to be made.

Herbert said: "He's in good hands with John Gosden and they will go through the horse and see where we go. It's been one of those frustrating seasons so far after last year's great 2-year-old year, but we must look forwards and not backwards. Horses have off-days but when it happens at this level it is a terrible blow and it is hard to swallow, but you get on with it. We will regroup and hopefully we will see the real Foundation. We are not ruling anything out for him."

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MOONLIGHT MAGIC PRESSING ON

Jim Bolger is hoping to see **Moonlight Magic (GB)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) bounce back to his best in the G1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at the Curragh on June 25.

The Godolphin-owned colt was a leading contender for Epsom honours in the Investec Derby following his victory in the G3 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial at Leopardstown May 8.

He had Epsom third **Idaho (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) behind him when winning at Leopardstown, but never looked happy when running downhill to Tattenham Corner and eventually came home last of the 16 runners.

Bolger said: "Moonlight Magic has been a bit quiet since, but there is nothing obviously wrong. We have done tests and are



Moonlight Magic | Racing Post photo

waiting to see if anything shows up. It was a similar story with Turret Rocks (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) (seventh to Minding in the G1 Investec Oaks), and it just wasn't our weekend.

He added, "We'll have to move on and

hopefully we can aim at the Irish Derby and the Oaks. They are two very nice prospects and I'll be very surprised if we don't get them back."

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FLEMENSFIRTH GELDING TOPS LAND ROVER OPENER

A Kilmoney Cottage Stud-consigned son of Flemensfirth and the first produce from Day's Over (GB) (Overbury) achieved a final price of €110,000 to top the first of three sessions of the Goffs Land Rover Sale Tuesday. A May 31 foal, the bay is a grandson of Red Dusk (Deep Run), who foaled the stakes-placed Dusky Lord (GB) (Lord Americo) and who is a full-sister to Deep Sensation, a multiple stakes winners over fences and hurdles. The successful bidder on lot 12 was was Aiden Murphy.

An additional two lots fetched six-figure pricetags. New trainer and former jockey Joseph O'Brien signed the ticket on Lot 56, a 3-year-old gelded son of Ballydoyle's legendary stayer Yeats (Ire) out of Haatana (Robellino), making him a half-brother to Desert Cry (Ire) (Desert Prince {Ire}), a Listed winner on the flat and successful over hurdles. Matching that price was Lot 81, another offering by Flemensfirth, this one a 4-year-old gelding out of Kestral Heights (Ire) (Eagle Eyed), who has already produced G1 Tolworth Novices' Hurdles runner-up O O Seven (Ire).

A total of 116 horses were reported as sold for gross receipts of \in 3,907,000, good for an average of \in 33,681 and a median price of \in 30,000. The sale continues Wednesday. For full results, visit www.goffs.com.

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Tuesday's Results:

2nd-SAL, £5,500, Mdn, 6-7, 3yo/up, 6f 212yT, 1:28.36, g/f. +OPEN 'N SHUT (GB) (g, 3, Kyllachy {GB}--Our Faye {GB} {GSW-Eng, \$195,022}, by College Chapel (GB)), sent off at 14-1, was settled in midpack early and seemed out of the reckoning when over three lengths down on the leaders with a furlong remaining. Finding a surge out wide, the £40,000 DNPRM yearling cut down Ehtiraas (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) in the final strides to win by a head. Our Faye, who captured the G3 Summer S., also has a 2-year-old gelding by Sepoy (Aus) named Havildar (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,138. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-The Open'n Shut Partnership; B-J. B. J. Richards (GB); T-Roger Varian.

3rd-SAL, £5,500, Mdn, 6-7, 3yo/up, 6f 212yT, 1:28.03, g/f. MAMILLIUS (GB) (c, 3, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Laika Lane, by Street Cry (Ire)), who was slowly away when only eighth behind the subsequent Listed Surrey S. winner Smuggler's Moon (GB) (Danehill Dancer (Ire)) over seven furlongs at Newbury last time May 13, was sharper from the gates this time to track the leader. Sent to the front with two furlongs remaining, the €16,000 ARQDEC foal and 70,000gns TATBRE 2yo and first foal out of a distant relative of the dual GII Nijinsky S.-winning Windward Islands (Cozzene) lengthened clear to record a 3 1/4 length-success from Marbooh (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$6,481. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-The Mamillius Partnership; B-East Bloodstock & Mr S. Graham (GB); T-George Baker.

1st-LIN, £**5,000**, **Cond**, 6-7, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:16.03, g/s. COTINGA (GB) (f, 2, Paco Boy {Ire}--Hobby {GB} {GSP-Eng}, by Robellino) was fourth on debut over this trip at Kempton May 18 and missed the break before recovering to pursue the early pace. Responding to every call late on, the 8-1 shot wore down Her Terms (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), a daughter of the G2 Lowther S. winner Best Terms (GB) (Exceed and Excel (Aus)) close home and prevail by a short head. The dam, who was third in the G2 Ribblesdale S., descends from the G2 Pretty Polly S. winner Calandra (Sir Ivor). She is in turn a half-sister to the G1 Epsom Oaks-winning champion Intrepidity (GB) (Sadler's Wells) and the heighweight Acushla (Ire) (Storm Bird). Hobby has a yearling colt by Poet's Voice (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,019. O/B-Larksborough Stud Limited (GB); T-Ralph Beckett.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Hellofahaste (GB), f, 2, Hellvelyn (GB)--Hasten, by Lear Fan. SAL, 6-7, 6fT, 1:15.82. B-Mrs J E Laws (GB). *11,000gns RNA Wlg '14 TATFOA; £3,000 RNA Ylg '15 DONNOV.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

2.40 Haydock, Cond, £5,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

FAIR EVA (GB) (Frankel {GB}) becomes the first Juddmonte homebred runner by Frankel, and fourth overall, to hit the track and debuts for the in-form Roger Charlton yard. She is out of the G1 Sprint Cup victress African Rose (GB) (Observatory), herself a full-sister to G1 Prix Marcel Boussac runner-up Helleborine (GB), and faces a cast of eight which includes fellow debutantes Hazy Manor (Ire) (Tagula {Ire}), a Tom Dascombe-trained full-sister to the stakes-winning G1 Epsom Derby fifth Humphrey Bogart (Ire); and Miss Infinity (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), a half-sister to G1 Prix Morny victor The Wow Signal (Ire) (Starspangledbanner (Aus), from the Mark Johnston stable.

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Tuesday's Results:

1st-SCD, €**25,000, Mdn**, 6-7, 2yo, 6fT, 1:17.83, sf. +HARCOURT STREET (c, 2, Lonhro {Aus}--Heart's Content {Ire}, by Daylami (Ire)) made a slumbering start and was on and off the bridle in mid division through green early stages of this debut. Racing in snatches throughout, the 24-5 chance made headway under pressure in the straight and kept on strongly for continued cajoling to prevail by two lengths from Maiandra (Fr) (Evasive {GB}). The homebred grey, who is kin to a yearling colt by Lonhro (Aus) and the stakes winner Heartily (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), is out of a half to four black-type performers including GSW G1 Grand Prix de Paris runner-up Desideratum (GB) (Darshaan {GB}). His fourth dam is storied producer Fall Aspen (Pretense), dam of a plethora of top-level performers including MG1SP Colorado Dancer (Ire) (Shareef Dancer), herself the dam of Dubai Millennium (GB) (Seeking the Gold). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,500. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley (KY); T-Andre Fabre.



4th-SCD, €**34,000**, Cond, 6-7, 3yo, 14fT, 3:15.60, sf. **LITTERALE CI (FR) (f, 3, Soldier of Fortune {Ire}--Cigalia {GB}, by Red Ransom)** Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €26,750. O-Mlle Francoise Perree & Mikel Delzangles; B-Mlle Francoise Perree (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles. *€10,000 RNA Ylg '14 AROCT.

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Enbharr (Ire), c, 3, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Myth, by Ogygian.

Turffontein, 6-5, Hcp., 1800mT, 1:51.95. B-Barronstown Stud.

*1/2 to Johannesburg (Hennessy), Ch. 2yo Colt-US & Eur, Hwt.

2yo Colt-Eng, Ire & Fr, G1SW-Eng, Ire & Fr, GISW-US,

\$1,014,585; and Grand Admiral (Giant's Causeway), MGSP-Ire.

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

Snitzel Filly Tops Yearling Opener cont. from p1

Taking top billing on Tuesday was <u>lot 1522</u>, a well-related daughter of Snitzel (Aus). Consigned by Cressfield Stud, the bay is out of the Group 3-winning Miss Judgement (Aus) (Strategic {Aus}), herself a half-sister to G1 Oakleigh Plate winner Mrs Onassis (Aus) (General Nediym {Aus}). Miss Judgement has



 $\textbf{Session-topping Snitzel filly} \mid \textit{Magic Millions}$

produced four winners from four to race, including Missrock (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), the winner of the G3 Percy Sykes S. at Randwick Apr. 9. The filly's third dam, Lady Jakeo (Aus) (Last Tycoon {Ire}), won the G1 Australia S.

1684 c

and G1 Blue Diamond S. The successful bidder was Raheen Stud's Basil Nolan.

"She's a beautiful, loose-walking filly," Nolan said. "And she's by one of the hottest sires in the land. Her half-sister [Cartier Rock] sold for A\$440,000 at the Broodmare Sale last week so she looked pretty good value on the market. And Missrock is one of the highest-rated juveniles in the country as well."

The first yearlings by All Too Hard (Aus) have found favour at the sales this year, and that trend continued on Tuesday when the Vinery resident was responsible for the second- and thirdhighest priced lots, both siblings to group winners. Lot 1684, a colt consigned by New Zealand's Henley Park, will remain in Queensland after being bought by Helen Page for A\$200,000. The bay is a half-brother to G2 Theo Marks S. winner Riva De Lago (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), and his third dam produced the G1 VRC Sires' Produce S. winner Not Related (Aus) (Family Ties {Aus}). Page noted that she normally spreads her risk across a few yearlings, but she decided to go all in on the one she loved on Tuesday.

"He's just a beautiful type," she said. "Usually I buy a few yearlings for cheaper amounts but I decided to really go for this bloke, who I loved. He's very strong and should be an early runner. He really caught my eye and was my pick of the sale."

Lot 1541, another colt by All Too Hard, is bound for New Zealand after being bought by Joan Thoroughbreds from Vieira Group for A\$180,000. His dam, Ocean Bridge, has produced two stakes winners from five to race: the G2 Tea Rose S. winner Longport (Aus) by All Too Hard's sire Casino Prince (Aus); and the Breeders' Plate winner Run For Wilson (Aus) (Shamardal).

A quartet of yearlings hit the A\$150,000 mark on Tuesday. The first through the ring was <u>lot 1555</u>, a Fastnet Rock (Aus) filly who is the first foal out of G1 Tattersalls Tiara S. winner Pear Tart (Aus) (Dehere). She was purchased by Kendrick Racing. <u>Lot 1615</u>, a half-sister to a pair of stakes winners, is from the first crop of Pierro (Aus) and was bought by Blue Sky Bloodstock, while Singapore-based trainer Stephen Gray picked up a Sebring (Aus) colt (<u>lot 1632</u>). Finally, Portelli Racing went to A\$150,000 for a colt by this year's leading active sire Not A Single Doubt (Aus) (<u>lot 1717</u>).

The final session of the National Yearling Sale takes place on Wednesday, followed by the National Racehorse Sale on Thursday.

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SESSION TOPPERS

MAGIC MILLIONS NATIONAL YEARLING SALE

Lot Sex Sire Dam Price (A\$)

1522 f Snitzel (Aus) Miss Judgement (Aus) 220,000

B-Cressfield

Consigned by Cressfield

Purchased by Raheen Stud

All Too Hard (Aus) Ashenti (Aus)

B-Harvey

Consigned by Henley Park Purchased by Helen Page

Magic Millions National Yearling Sale cont.

<u>1541</u>	С	All Too Hard (Aus)	Ocean Bridge (Aus)	180,000			
	B-Patinack Farm						
		Consigned by	Vieira Group				
		Purchased by Joa	n Thoroughbreds				
<u>1555</u>	f	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Pear Tart (Aus)	150,000			
		В-Ка	atom				
		Consigned by	Attunga Stud				
		Purchased by R	Kendrick Racing				
<u>1717</u>	С	Not A Single Doubt (Au	s) Cheetara (Aus)	150,000			
		B-Corumi	bene Stud				
		Consigned by C	orumbene Stud				
		Purchased by	Portelli Racing				
<u>1615</u>	f	Pierro (Aus)	Soul Singer (Aus)	150,000			
		B-Asco Intern	ational Pty Ltd				
		Consigned by	/ Element Hill				
		Purchased by Blu	ie Sky Bloodstock				
<u> 1632</u>	С	Sebring (Aus)	Suzy Rocks	150,000			
		B-Mr. F	Peisah				
Consigned by Lomar Park Stud							
		Purchased by	Stephen Gray				



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Magic Millions National Yearling Sale

SESSION TOTALS	2016	2015
 Catalogued 	230	211
No. Offered	205	193
No. Sold	169	133
• RNAs	36	60
• % RNAs	17.6%	31%
High Price	A\$220,000	A\$220,000
• Gross	A\$7,638,000	A\$3,235,000
Average (% change)	A\$45,195 (+85.8%)	A\$24,323

WILLOW MAGIC TO SUMMERHILL

Willow Magic (Aus) (Dubawi {Ire}-La Willow {Aus}, by Tierce {Aus}), a Group 1-winning juvenile in South Africa, will enter stud at Summerhill Stud for the upcoming breeding season. The winner of the G1 S A Nursery in this fourth start at two, Willow Magic finished second in the G1 Tsogo Sun Medallion S. next out. Willow Magic won the G2 Investec Dingaans S. at three but was subsequently off for more than a year due to a tendon injury. He won a Turffontein conditions race in his first start back last January and was second in the G1 Rising Sun Gold Challenge at Greyville last June.





No one, it seems, will hold British Horseracing Authority to account Horse racing's regulator has strayed too far off course in shambles over perceived bias in disciplinary cases and in the debacle over Jim Best. Chris Cook, *The Guardian*

AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Solar Hei Hei (Aus), g, 4, Churchill Downs (Aus)--Miss Tabitha (Aus), by Tabkir. Sha Tin, 6-5, Hcp. (A\$288k), 1800mT, 1:45.88 (NCR). B-B Maher (Vic). *Formerly Baron Churchil (Aus). **A\$8,500 Wlg '12 INGGSW; A\$17,000 RNA Ylg '13 MMADE; A\$25,000 RNA 2yo '13 INGRTR. VIDEO

IN SINGAPORE:

Milennium's Rule (Aus), g, 3, Lonhro (Aus)--Maree Basse (Ire) (SP-Fr), by Royal Applause (GB). Kranji, 6-3, Restricted Maiden (A\$75k), 1400mT, 1:24.46. B-Burnewang North Pastoral (Vic). A\$150,000 Ylg '14 INGMEL. VIDEO

White Hunter (Aus), g, 4, Fastnet Rock (Aus)—Earthen Cool (Aus), by Real Quiet. Kranji, 6-3, Hcp. (A\$60k), 1200mT, 1:11.12. B-Roncon, Austramore Pty Ltd, Cobra Bloodstock Australia Pty Ltd, Clem Murphy (NSW). *A\$600,000 Ylg '13 INGEAS. VIDEO

IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Table Bay (Aus), c, 2, **Redoute's Choice (Aus)**--Gabriella (GB), by Cape Cross (Ire). Kenilworth, 6-4, Maiden, 1400mT, 1:28.35. B-Raffles Dancers (NZ) Pty Ltd (NSW). *Won by four lengths as the 9-20 favorite. **A\$120,000 Ylg '15 INGMEL.

Make It Raine (Aus), f, 3, New Approach (Ire)--Our Dizzy Raine (Aus), by Danehill. Kenilworth, 6-4, Hcp., 1200mT, 1:13.24. B-J A & J M Anderson Pty Ltd (Vic). *1/2 to Miss Galilei (Aus) (Galileo {Ire}), SW-SAf. **A\$90,000 Wlg '13 MMNWNL; A\$130,000 Ylg '14 INGMEL.

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