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Paul Manganaro and 'TDN Rising Star' Remanded
Christina Bossinakis

by *Christina Bossinakis*

The Manganaro name is a very familiar one in the horse racing game. A third generation horse owner, Paul Manganaro finds it difficult to recall a time when horses, and racing, were not part of his life. Manganaro got his first taste of racing at a young age, courtesy of his grandfather John, who was a plasterer by trade, father John Jr., and uncles Frank and Anthony. Anthony Manganaro went on to found the boutique breeding operation Siena Farm, currently spanning 225 acres in Paris, Kentucky.

“When my grandfather retired, his only interest was horse racing,” recalled Manganaro. “So we started claiming horses at Suffolk Downs in the early 1970s.”

And what was the thing that got him hooked?

“It definitely starts with the love for the horse and the animal,” he said. “I remember going to the track in the morning, hearing the pounding of their hooves and their nostrils flaring. Then it just developed from there into the competitive nature of the sport, the people you get to meet from a diverse background, and the thrill of going to an auction and on race day.”

According to Manganaro, his passion for horses and racing ensued throughout his teenage years.

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MOMENTUM CONTINUES TO BUILD AHEAD OF INAUGURAL SAUDI CUP CARD

by *Jessica Martini*

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA - The anticipation continued to build ahead of the \$29-million Saudi Cup card, with a large crowd of locals and visitors on hand Thursday to watch contenders gallop over the mammoth King Abdulaziz Racetrack in Riyadh two days before the country’s biggest-ever day of horse racing.

Among the Americans on hand trackside on a chilly morning which quickly turned warmer as the sun rose was West Point Thoroughbreds’ Terry Finley and bloodstock agent Bruno DeBerdt.

“I’ve been to Dubai a couple of times, but I was really excited by the opportunity to come here,” Finley said.

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Keeneland and Churchill Downs will ban the race-day use of Lasix in all 2-year-old races this spring. The tracks also jointly announced major changes in racing and training policies to strengthen safety protocols at both race tracks.

LOYALTY PROGRAM CREATED AT SANTA ANITA

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The Manganaro family at Suffolk Downs, June 25, 1976 (left to right) - John Sr., Anthony, (front row) Paul (blue shirt) & brother David; (back row) John Jr.

“I remember the summer before my senior year at the University of Massachusetts, my good friend and roommate, Ned Toffey, we decided we didn't have any girlfriends or a job, so we lived in Lexington for the summer,” Manganaro explained. “I took a class at UK, and we toured all the farms during the day. And we really had a good opportunity to see horses like Alleged, Affirmed, Alydar and Seattle Slew. Unfortunately, we were just greenhorns at that time, and I remember we had a book of notes, physical notes on these horses, and most of it just says, ‘Nice big brown horse.’ Obviously, it evolved from that to now, where my buddy is the General Manager of Spendthrift Farm.”

In partnership with his father, Manganaro bred graded stakes winner Saint Anddan (A.P. Indy) and was among the Centennial Farms partnership that campaigned 2014 GI Wood Memorial winner Wicked Strong, fourth in the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Belmont S.

Gradually expanding his bloodstock holdings over the ensuing years, Manganaro currently owns a variety of equine interests, including mares, foals and 25 stallion shares, in addition to six horses in training, raced under his name or in partnership. Chief among his current bloodstock holdings is **Remanded** (Elusive Quality), campaigned under his nom-de-course Manganaro Bloodstock and David Ingordo. The 3-year-old earned ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ status when coming from off the pace to graduate at Gulfstream Park Feb. 16 ([video](#)).

“She was training like a winner and she proved it that day,” said Manganaro.



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“We’re very excited by him. He has a presence to him and a real air of confidence in everything we’ve asked of him to date. I think Union Rags’ crop of yearlings last year were his best yet.”

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He added, “David and I purchased her late at the [2018] Keeneland [September] sale. She was hip number [3615], and the intent was to pinhook her. We took her to the OBS April sale and she breezed wonderfully, but just didn't get the attention we thought she warranted, so we took her back. Thus the name --Remanded.”

In regards to what's next for the daughter of Sleepless Dixie (Dixie Union), he added, “I'm hoping she can get to a mile, mile and a sixteenth, and we'll let her take us along for the ride. We'll obviously point to something at Keeneland.”

Further expanding his stake in the industry, Manganaro joined forces with Ingordo to form Belladonna Racing. Launched in 2019, the partnership currently has six fillies in training with Cherie DeVaux, who is currently at her winter base of Payson Training Center in Indiantown, Florida.

“I always thought about starting a partnership because I have many friends back in the New England area that wanted to get involved, but I knew the risk in the business,” explained Manganaro. “I have a business relationship, and now friendship, with David Ingordo and Cherie DeVaux. So, when the idea came about to start a partnership and join with David and Cherie, I thought it was a good time to do that.”

When asked about his initial impression of DeVaux, who worked as an assistant for trainer Chad Brown for eight years before venturing out on her own in the spring of 2018, Manganaro said, “I met Cherie about a year and a half ago when she was just getting started. I think I was one of her first clients. I saw a very intelligent woman, who loves her horses, who's dedicated, and who had a good background. And she's got a steady hand. She doesn't get too high after a good victory, or too low when something goes wrong. And, she definitely loves her horses like they're her own kids.”

Outlining the initial partnership structure, he offered, “It all starts with the athlete and then we look at the pedigree and we see if it fits our budget. We bought fillies mainly because of the residual value they have, and we went out and purchased six fillies. The ultimate plan is to increase their value through their race record, and eventually be sold either privately or through public auction.”

Acting as a scout for the partnership, Ingordo's 2019 purchases included **Bayerness** (Bayern), who was bought for \$350,000 at the Fasig Midlantic sale; and a quartet of fillies at the OBS April sale: **Veruca** (Twirling Candy), purchased for \$335,000; **Curlinesque** (Curlin), purchased for \$250,000; **Andiama** (Lea) purchased for \$190,000; and **Akor** (Munnings), purchased for \$90,000. The group's final acquisition was a Kitten's Joy filly--named **Coastana**--purchased for \$290,000 at the OBS June sale. Sidelined by illness last season, the full-sister to Grade I winner Real Solution just returned to the Payson worktab Feb. 17.

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The 20-strong partnership has had five starters, four winners, including first-out winners Bayerness, Curlinesque and Akor. Following her Keeneland graduation last fall, Bayerness returned to win going a mile in the slop at Churchill Downs Nov. 30.

“She’s an elegant looking filly with some pedigree and just a tenacious will to win,” Manganaro said of Bayerness. “We don’t want to get too far ahead of ourselves, but we’re hoping she’s

[GI Kentucky] Oaks caliber, but she’ll have to prove that on the way up.”

And one of the stepping stones to sort out the women from the girls will be GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S. weekend, with the big race contested at Gulfstream Park Feb. 29.

“Right now, the plan is on [Friday, Feb. 28], we have Curlinesque pointing her for an allowance race and we think she is stakes caliber too,” he said.

On the Fountain of Youth undercard, Belladonna’s Veruca will contest the GIII Herecomesthebride S., while stablemate Bayerness is scheduled to line up in the GII Davona Dale S. Veruca, third in her career debut sprinting on the turf at Keeneland, took her dirt bow at Churchill in November before finishing seventh in the seven-furlong Gasparilla S. at Tampa Jan. 18.

“Bayerness and Veruca will be tested for class in their upcoming starts, but we think they have a bright future,” he said.

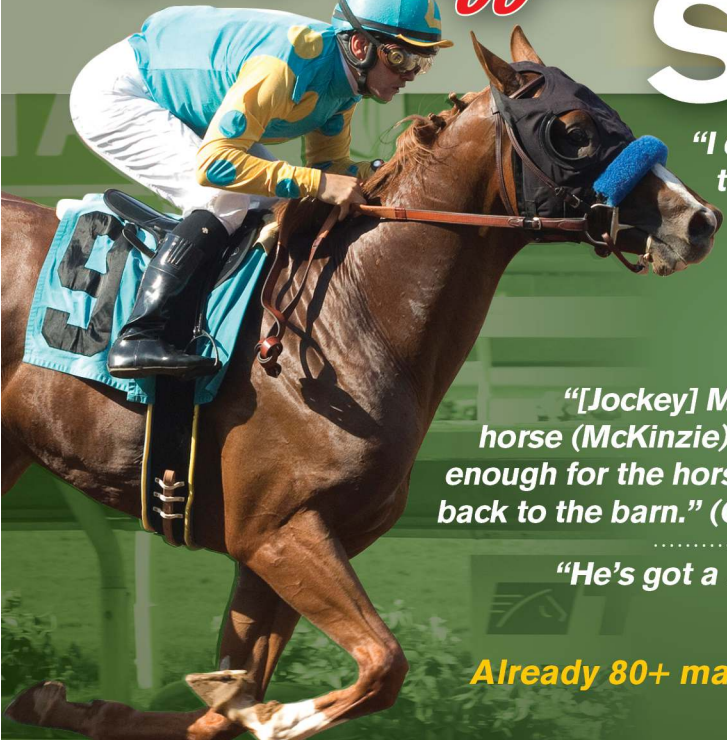
Looking ahead to whether the Belladonna program might be altered in 2020, Manganaro added, “It’s got to be slightly changed. The meat of the program is going to be the same, but we’re going to up the ante a little bit and look to purchase between eight and 10 2-year-olds, starting with the OBS March sale. And we’ll mix in a couple of colts this time, too. Originally,

Bob Baffert

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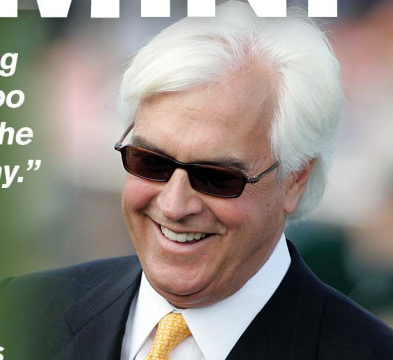
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“I didn’t think there was going to be a change. It’s really too bad they took him down, he was the better horse today.”
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“[Jockey] Mike [Smith] got off the horse (McKinzie) and didn’t think there was enough for the horse (Solomini) to come down, so they took him back to the barn.” **(Grade 1 Los Alamitos)** December 9, 2017, L A Times

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it was all fillies, but this time we're going to look for a mixture, but we're not going to set a number, we're going to pick the best available athlete."

Manganaro, whose recent success has been built on four decades of experience in the business, acknowledges that the thing that makes it all worthwhile is something that doesn't come easily in the game.

"I've learned in this business over the years, you see people from the most successful businesses in the world at the highest point, they've had everything go right in their lives, still turn into little children when their horses win," he said. "There's nothing like it because the lows are pretty low, but the highs are extremely high. And you really have to be humble and respect the opportunity your given. And when you can win a race, we're in a sport where, if you're winning 20% of the time, you're an all-star. So, you really learn how to appreciate that."

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Saudi Cup Coverage cont. from p1



Gronkowski, the 2018 GI Belmont S. and 2019 G1 Dubai World Cup runner-up, training Thursday morning in Riyadh
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Finley continued, "I'm all for the Thoroughbred business and trying to make things better and I think when we can do something like this and everyone can learn and all of us can meet each other from around the world, I don't think that can be anything but a win."

While West Point colors won't be seen during this Saturday's card, Finley is hoping the partnership will be represented in Riyadh in the future.

"We don't have anything running, but I thought on the business side it would be good to come and just get a lay of the land," Finley explained. "They certainly plan on the Saudi Cup

being in a prominent spot at the beginning of the year, so I would hope in the years to come that we have a runner. I would hope that it would happen in 2021."

Both Finley and DeBerdt toted catalogues for the upcoming Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale courtesy of the company's Reed Ringler, with DeBerdt opening the book to point out a trio of juveniles he will consign to the Mar. 30 auction through David Scanlon and Finley saying with a laugh, "The first person I ran into at the breakfast today was Reed Ringler and I picked up a Fasig-Tipton catalogue--I know [Fasig-Tipton President] Boyd Browning will be really happy to read that."

DeBerdt brokered the deal which saw Prince Faisal Bin Khaled purchase Saudi Cup contender **Mucho Gusto** (Mucho Macho Man), winner of last month's GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational at Gulfstream Park. The California horseman is a Saudi veteran, but DeBerdt's wife Rachel is enjoying her first trip to the country.

"We arrived Tuesday night and everyone has been really welcoming," Rachel DeBerdt said. "It's been great. It's been very different to anywhere I've ever been. Bruno has been here many times, so I wasn't coming completely blind, but I've felt very welcomed here."

Among the local trainers out welcoming visitors to their home track was Abdulaziz Khalid, who will send out a trio of horses on Saturday's historic card.

"It's very exciting to see all the horses from around the world here," Khalid, son of owner Mishref Khalid and a third-generation horseman, said.

Khalid, who trains a stable of 27 runners, will saddle **Dramatic Device (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) in the Longines Turf H. and **Manguzi**

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(Fr) (Planteur {Ire}) and **Mesquite (GB)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) in the Saudia Sprint.

“They will be very challenging races,” Khalid admitted. “I think **Imperial Hint** (Imperialism) will be very tough in the Sprint and the Frankel (GB) [Mekong {GB}] coming from Dubai is a very good horse.”

Bob Baffert will saddle two of the major contenders in the \$20-million Saudi Cup in Mucho Gusto and ‘**TDN Rising Star**’ **McKinzie** (Street Sense), but the trainer admitted it will be a tough race.

“They all have to bring their ‘A’ game,” Baffert said. “They are two top individuals, but then you have **Maximum Security** (New Year’s Day). I hated it when I heard he was coming over here because he’s so good, he’s so fast. And you’ve got the filly [**Midnight Bisou** (Midnight Lute)], she looks good. I always root for Midnight Lutes because I trained Midnight Lute. Sheikh Mohammed sent his good horse [**Benbatl (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire})] over here. I think it’s going to be a great race.”

Midnight Bisou had been catalogued to sell at last year’s Fasig-Tipton November sale, but co-owner Jeff Bloom admitted the inaugural Saudi Cup was a major reason to withdraw the champion filly from that auction.

“We were supposed to be selling Midnight Bisou at the November sale,” Bloom said. “We decided the day before the Breeders’ Cup that we were going to go ahead and race her another year. And one of the things that went into the equation in making that decision was that there was a \$20-million race on the horizon.”

Bloom has been impressed with how Midnight Bisou has travelled to Saudi Arabia.

“The filly adapts to pretty much anything you throw at her,” he said. “So traveling over here really took nothing out of her. And she has trained exceptionally well since she got here.”

Of his chances Saturday, Bloom said, “I’m probably not going to sleep for the next couple of days. They are all going to have to have their running shoes on. This is quite a cast that has been assembled. This is a world-class horse race. And you can make a case for every one of these horses if they have their best day. We think we have a horse who could win the race.”

The Saudi Cup will be televised in the U.S. live on FOX Sports 1 at Noon ET (DIRECTV ch. 219, Dish ch.150) with the undercard airing on TVG. In the UK, it will be shown on Sky Sports Racing and Racing TV.

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KEENELAND AND CHURCHILL DOWNS TO BAN LASIX IN 2-YEAR-OLD RACES

Keeneland and Churchill Downs will ban the race-day use of Lasix in all 2-year-old races under the International Medication Protocol authority granted in 810 KAR 8:050 of the Kentucky Administrative Regulations beginning with Keeneland’s 2020 Spring Meet and following at Churchill Downs Racetrack’s 2020 Spring Meet, according to a joint press release Thursday. Kentucky’s Thoroughbred race tracks supported sweeping medication reforms, including the Lasix ban, adopted by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission (KHRC) in late 2019.

The tracks also jointly announced major changes in racing and training policies to strengthen safety protocols at both race tracks. Reforms include mandatory veterinary inspections prior to workouts and race entry and enhanced reporting and transparency requirements for trainers and attending veterinarians with regard to the fitness of horses to work and race.

These reforms also apply to horses stabled at Keeneland’s The Thoroughbred Center in Lexington and the Churchill Downs Training Center in Louisville.

Keeneland President and CEO Bill Thomason and Churchill Downs Racetrack President Kevin Flanery said in a joint statement: “These meaningful reforms further advance our commitment to create the safest possible environment for racing and training. Racetracks, horsemen and the veterinary community share a responsibility for the welfare of our human and equine athletes and to promote the sport for generations of fans to come.”

Changes will become effective with the opening of the stable areas at Keeneland and Churchill Downs. Trainers and attending veterinarians must agree to the following conditions in order to participate in the racing programs at either track:

- A trainer is not permitted to enter a horse in any race unless the horse has been found fit to race by the attending veterinarian during the three days immediately prior to entry, and
- A trainer is not permitted to work a horse unless the horse has been found fit to work by the attending veterinarian during the five days immediately before the work.

Trainers and attending veterinarians are obligated to inform the equine medical director at the appropriate racetrack and the KHRC of any changes in a horse’s fitness after an examination has been conducted.

Additionally, all horses at Keeneland and Churchill Downs will be subject to veterinary inspections by the tracks’ respective equine medical directors and to veterinary monitoring.

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TAKING STOCK

by Sid Fernando



THIRD- AND FOURTH-YEAR SIRE ISSUES

by Sid Fernando

There's been a series of conversations in these pages from industry insiders lately about the woes of third- and fourth-year sires, because these stallions don't get the patronage from breeders that first-year (and, in many cases, second-year) horses do, and this has led to all sorts of angst for stallion owners and stud farms. Many have touched on a wide range of issues related to it, but most have not addressed and lingered on the specific mechanisms of why this happens and why it's part of the new normal.

This topic is so hot in Kentucky--the center of the U.S. breeding industry--that it's made its way up the food chain to The Jockey Club, which is considering capping the number of mares a stallion can breed in North America during the Northern Hemisphere breeding season at 140. Ostensibly, TJC's concern is for the well-being of the breed, indicating that it has genetic evidence of increasing levels of inbreeding in the population, which some feel has been exacerbated by popular stallions from similar bloodlines breeding more than 140 mares a year in North America. Limiting the number to 140, their thinking goes, will address this issue by cutting back the numbers for those sires, and it will also help the books of other horses--proven but lesser commercial stallions and the unproven third- and fourth-year sires--who will theoretically benefit from the spillover of those horses currently breeding more than 140 mares.

TJC's proposal is a regulatory measure meant to impact two issues: the health of the breed (increasing levels of inbreeding are considered by some a pressing worry, like climate change); and the reapportionment of mares and monies in the form of stud fees (considered by others to be a heavy-handed, Bernie Sanders-type of infringement on the free-market system under which they operate).

I only mention this proposal because it accurately zeroes in on the two sectors in the industry that matter when it comes to book size: the stud farms, which stand the stallions; and the breeders, who send mares to them. Stud farms and breeders, particularly in Kentucky, have evolved through the last five or so decades to become big-time vendors, either as sellers of stallion nominations or sellers of weanlings or yearlings at public auction, and this commercial transformation has been the cause for the effects we are seeing.

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You could probably count on two hands the number of notable mare owners who breed strictly to race nowadays. Most of them, especially in Kentucky, breed to sell, and even those who primarily breed to race have diversified their operations to include a selling component. Noted owner-breeder George Strawbridge Jr., for example, sold 2019 Horse of the Year Bricks and Mortar (Giant's Causeway) for \$200,000 as a Keeneland yearling, and last year the longtime homebreeding operation of the Phipps Stable sold yearling colts for the first time, also at Keeneland.

If you're breeding strictly to sell, as so many are now, first-year sires and elite proven sires are the best options for making money--your primary concern.

Conversely, breeding to third- or fourth-year sires are the riskiest options. See Tables 1 and 2 on the table that follows this column for the number of mares bred (Northern Hemisphere time) from 2016 to 2019 for the top 10 leading first-crop sires of 2019 and the top 10 leading general sires, respectively. Note in Table 1 that eight of the 10 stallions bred more than 140 mares in their first year at stud, including eight of nine in Kentucky. (Khozan [Distorted

Humor] stands in Florida.) The only Kentucky sire who didn't, Bayern (Offlee Wild), covered 139 mares.

Let's use a simple example to explain this risk dynamic with unproven sires. Say that you're breeding to sell and own 10 mares, five of which are high-end, either as stakes producers or young stakes winners, and five of which are average mares of lesser quality. If you bred your top five mares to third- or fourth-year stallions, you'd be selling their yearlings when these stallions' first runners were either 3-year-olds (third-year sires) or 4-year-olds (fourth-year sires). Obviously, you'd be at the mercy of how those runners performed. If they were not successful by the time you sold, you'd get punished in the sales ring and your mares would get devalued in the process, crippling your investments. That's a lot of downside risk exposure.

Now, you might consider this risk with one or two of your five lesser mares, gambling that a third-year sire will hit and enhance your sales yearling's value, but chances are good that you wouldn't expose your five best mares to that type of exposure and would hedge your investments by taking conservative routes with first-year sires. Why? Because when you sell

first-crop yearlings, the sires have only their race records and pedigrees to recommend them, and no sire-performance blemishes against them.

Going to a stallion in his second year isn't as risky as using a third- or fourth-year horse, but it isn't as risk-free as a first-year sire, either, because you'd be selling your yearling when the stallion's first runners were 2-year-olds. An abysmal performance by a sire's first juveniles through the summer could adversely impact the sales price of your yearling in September, but there is some leeway afforded a sire in this example with four months of racing still to come before the end of the year.

Risk with sales yearlings by unproven sires, then, increases with each crop.



Khozan | Louise Reinagel

These examples also explain why stallions generally get better mares in their first two seasons--and why they tend generally to do best with their first crops--and lesser mares in their third and fourth years at stud, in addition to fewer numbers of mares. The long and the short of it is that commercial breeders are highly risk averse, and because they're breeding for profit first in the sales ring, they will generally favor first-year horses and not risk their better mares on third- and fourth-year sires.

Stud Farms

Back when owner-breeders were breeding to race, stallions would stand in closely held 32- or 40-share syndicates, with one share for each mare, but as the business became more commercial and the number of owner-breeders started to decrease, book sizes started to increase.

These days, a 40-share syndicate will typically offer two mares for each share, plus a bonus pool from extra mares to be split among the syndicate members--who, typically, are a smaller group of investment partners who breed to the horse primarily to sell weanlings and yearlings, and who sell as many nominations as they can to recoup their investment, preferably within a year or two. These ownership groups are highly dependent on commercial breeders, and when it comes to first-year horses, both of their interests are aligned: both want to breed their best or better mares to these horses. The stud farm's aim is to stockpile as many high-quality mares among as many mares as they can get to their first-year stallion, because they know that to get a leading first-crop sire down the line requires a combination of quality and quantity. See Tables 1, 3,

and 4 and note the number of mares these horses bred in each year at stud. Also note the increasing trend to breed more than 140 mares in the first year.

Stud farms are aware that their young stallions have limited shelf life, even if they find a place on the top 10 first-crop sire list--unless they get quality mares in a stallion's second to fourth seasons at stud as well. But here, the interests of stud farms and commercial breeders diverge, because, as explained earlier, commercial breeders are loathe to submit their quality mares to third- and fourth-year stallions, regardless of price discounts given to those horses during those years. Take a look at Table 4, which lists the 10 leading first-crop sires of 2017, with Overanalyze (Dixie Union) the leader that year. Note that from this group, whose oldest runners are 5-year-olds this year, five of these 10 stallions are no longer standing in Kentucky in 2020, including Overanalyze, who'll be headed to Korea soon.

For stallion owners, this is a brutal cycle of feast and famine. The first few years are great for a new stallion, thanks to commercial breeders, but the next two are generally not so good, also because of them. And at each price point on the commercial ladder, it's uniformly true that there's a commensurate drop in mare quality from the first two years to the next two years, and that's generally a debilitating hit from which it's tough for any stallion to recover.

Is there a solution to this? The short answer is no, unless stud farms and syndicates take matters into their own hands and provide their stallions with quality mares in years three and four to make up for the loss of support from commercial breeders. This, of course, becomes an added expense for them, but it's a route that many have embarked upon to help their young horses.

And what of the commercial aspects to TJC's proposal of capping mares?

Answer this by playing the role of that commercial breeder, with five top mares and five lesser mares in your portfolio, and ask yourself this: What would you do with your lesser mares if, because of a breeding cap, you were unable to get to some of the first- or second-crop stallions you wanted to breed to? Would you breed these mares to riskier third- and fourth-year sires or proven horses that weren't commercial instead? Or would you sell your lesser stock and concentrate more on quality?

On a commercial level, you can imagine some scenarios that could play out under this plan from TJC.

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HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL WITH ETE INDIEN



Ete Indien | Lauren King

by Christina Bossinakis

Trainer Patrick Biancone has been down this road before. That is, the road to the Triple Crown. A Grade I winner at two and three, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith's Lion Heart finished second, 2 3/4 lengths behind victor Smarty Jones in the 2004 GI Kentucky Derby. Fast forward to 2020, and Biancone has two chances to go one better on the first Saturday in May. Few will argue that the current star of the barn is recent GIII Sam F. Davis S. scorer Sole Volante (Karakontie {Jpn}), however, a victory by **Ete Indien** (Summer Front) in Saturday afternoon's GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S. might blur that line of demarcation. Jockey Florent Geroux will fill in for the colt's regular rider, the injured Luca Panici.

Campaigned by a partnership consisting of Linda Shanahan, Sanford Bacon, Dream With Me Stable and Horse France America, the dark bay was unveiled going five furlongs on the Gulfstream turf last September--coming from off the pace to win by a neck--before finishing eighth routing for the first time in the GIII Bourbon S. at Keeneland the following month. Given a brief freshener, the colt returned to the Hallandale oval for his next start--a one mile optional claimer on the dirt Dec. 20--and led for most of the way en route to a comfortable, albeit slightly green, 2 1/2-length victory ([video](#)).

"That day he won, he was drifting out in the stretch and looking everywhere," the Frenchman recalled. "Well, we addressed that problem."

Explaining the decision to try him on the dirt despite having already shown ability on the turf, Biancone said, "He's bred fifty-fifty turf and dirt. His [grandfather] is by War Front; they go on dirt, they go on turf. I mean when you have a good horse, all the good races on the turf are from July to September, so we have nowhere to run except a few little [turf] stakes. While he

REPORT OF MARES BRED, 2014 - 2019

Table 1

| TOP 10 LEADING FIRST CROP SIRES, 2019 | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| American Pharoah | 208 | 214 | 182 | 178 |
| Constitution | 172 | 143 | 110 | 85 |
| Palace Malice | 158 | 117 | 65 | 91 |
| Liam's Map | 148 | 158 | 114 | 133 |
| Tapiture | 176 | 165 | 184 | 114 |
| Competitive Edge | 160 | 69 | 35 | 66 |
| Bayern | 139 | 105 | 106 | 48 |
| Khozan | 110 | 75 | 57 | 107 |
| Wicked Strong | 190 | 139 | 67 | 131 |
| Carpe Diem | 162 | 144 | 133 | 130 |
| Totals | 1623 | 1329 | 1053 | 1083 |
| Stallions > 140 mares | 8 | 5 | 2 | 1 |

Table 2

| TOP 10 LEADING GENERAL SIRES, 2019 | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|-----------------------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| Into Mischief | 218 | 235 | 245 | 241 |
| Curlin | 141 | 143 | 139 | 129 |
| Tapit | 125 | 127 | 113 | 111 |
| Hard Spun | 151 | 158 | 143 | 155 |
| Giant's Causeway | 48 | 31 | 9 | 0 <i>Died in 2018</i> |
| Quality Road | 112 | 152 | 154 | 154 |
| Street Sense | 137 | 130 | 140 | 147 |
| Medaglia d'Oro | 141 | 138 | 125 | 123 |
| Speightstown | 126 | 115 | 121 | 142 |
| Empire Maker | 130 | 129 | 110 | 126 |
| Totals | 1329 | 1358 | 1299 | 1328 |
| Stallions > 140 mares | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 |

Table 3

| TOP 10 LEADING FIRST CROP SIRES, 2018 | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------|
| | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| Cross Traffic | 123 | 106 | 71 | 60 | 188 |
| Goldencents | 179 | 190 | 135 | 190 | 239 |
| Cairo Prince | 148 | 148 | 149 | 148 | 152 |
| Central Banker | 115 | 99 | 78 | 76 | 127 |
| Will Take Charge | 144 | 144 | 137 | 130 | 56 |
| Noble Mission (GB) | 146 | 63 | 110 | 99 | 93 |
| Fed Biz | 147 | 128 | 157 | 169 | 35 |
| Verrazano | 185 | 190 | 159 | 77 | 18 <i>Brz, 2020</i> |
| Mucho Macho Man | 99 | 72 | 35 | 96 | 86 |
| Tritap | 57 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 <i>Died in 2016</i> |
| Totals | 1343 | 1153 | 1031 | 1045 | 994 |
| Stallions > 140 mares | 6 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 |

Table 4

| TOP 10 LEADING FIRST CROP SIRES, 2017 | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| Overanalyze | 151 | 123 | 93 | 120 | 195 | 43 <i>Korea, 2020</i> |
| Violence | 181 | 177 | 145 | 187 | 214 | 171 |
| Shanghai Bobby | 160 | 202 | 150 | 144 | 61 | 0 <i>Jpn, 2019</i> |
| Animal Kingdom | 148 | 137 | 153 | 124 | 101 | 40 <i>Jpn, 2020</i> |
| Jimmy Creed | 141 | 147 | 72 | 67 | 165 | 138 |
| Point of Entry | 112 | 107 | 89 | 97 | 105 | 65 |
| Flat Out | 169 | 183 | 151 | 178 | 74 | 48 <i>OK, 2020</i> |
| Paynter | 127 | 158 | 153 | 103 | 34 | 97 |
| Orb | 122 | 117 | 108 | 125 | 70 | 28 |
| Justin Phillip | 106 | 86 | 93 | 65 | 30 | 7 <i>N. M., 2020</i> |
| Totals | 1417 | 1437 | 1207 | 1210 | 1049 | 637 |
| Stallions > 140 mares | 6 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 |

was running really good on the turf, we decided to put him on the dirt once and see how it goes. A mile in 1:35[.07] was enough for us to know that he liked it.”

Installed the 4-1 third choice in his latest start in the Feb. 1 1 1/16-mile GIII Holy Bull S., he set the pace, but was caught late by favored Tiz the Law (Constitution) and had to settle for second, beaten three lengths ([video](#)).

“I think he ran a very good race,” said Biancone of his charge’s Holy Bull effort. “We changed a few things [leading up to the Holy Bull] and he ran very well. He missed the start a little bit. I mean, I don’t think it would have changed the result, but he’ll need to progress on that. It’s all a question of how much they progress.”

Asked to compare his two sophomore stars at this point, Biancone said, “Ete Indien’s a very different [type of horse] than Sole Volante, a horse who has a lot of confidence in himself. I will say [Ete Indien] is a little bit more like most of the War Front family, he’s a little bit more anxious and doesn’t learn as fast.”

Subsequent to his Holy Bull effort, Ete Indien worked seven furlongs in 1:23.20 over the Palm Meadows turf course Feb. 16 before following up with a bullet four-furlong move [1/13] in :48.00 over the training center’s main track Feb. 26.

Asked about his propensity to work horses on both the dirt and the turf, Biancone offered a practical explanation.

“I work them all on the turf, not just him,” he said. “Even the ones who are not as good and not so famous. I think the [turf] track is extremely good [at Palm Meadows] and it’s a beautiful training facility. We have the chance to [work over] it four times a week, so we try to take advantage of it. It’s also kinder on the legs and so far it seems to work.”

Given the step up in class to face the likes of some heavy hitters, including multiple stakes winning Chance It (Currency Swap) and graded winners Dennis’ Moment (Tiznow) and Shotski (Blame), Biancone admits that a solid finish in the Fountain of Youth would be needed to forge ahead to the Churchill Downs.

“He’ll tell us what to do next,” he said. “At this age, it’s just a question of improvement. They need to improve from race to race, without a hiccup. You also need to be lucky. Then we’d decide the next step after that. We can dream and talk about Derby, and while he is a very talented horse, he will have to improve a lot to have a chance in the Derby.”

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ON THIS WEEK’S TDN WRITERS’ ROOM, ALBAUGH DISCUSSES HIS DYNAMIC DERBY DUO

Dennis Albaugh didn’t want to spend \$1 million to acquire **Thousands Words** (Pioneerof the Nile) at the 2018 Keeneland September sale. Albaugh is among the wealthiest people in the sport, but even he has a comfort zone, and says he normally doesn’t go beyond \$400,000. But, if you want something special, you have to pay for it. And Albaugh and his team of advisors thought Thousand Words was the kind of can’t-miss prospect every owner yearns to have.

“Normally, we try to find horses in the \$200,000 to \$400,000 range,” said Albaugh, who was this week’s **Green Group Guest of the Week** and owns Thousand Words in partnership with Spendthrift Farm. “But those are getting harder to find when you are in Book 1 and Book 2. Thousand Words came along and we thought this horse could be a stud because his breeding was excellent and looks-wise he’s unbelievable. We went a lot further for him than we normally do.”

It looks like it was money well spent. Thousand Words is three for three and is considered a top threat for the GI Kentucky Derby. Then again, he might not be Albaugh’s best 3-year-old. Holding as strong a hand as any owner in the country, Albaugh also has **Dennis’ Moment** (Tiznow), the likely favorite in Saturday’s GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream. He was the favorite in the GI Breeders’ Cup Juvenile, but lost all chance when stumbling at the start.

During the podcast, which is sponsored by **Keeneland**, Albaugh was asked which of the two is better. He took a pass.

“That’s a question I have been thinking about a lot,” he said. “They have different running styles. Dennis’ Moment gets out there and goes hard and fast. Thousands Words doesn’t come out of the gate fast but he has a stride that is unbelievable. I’d be very happy if either one of them won the Derby.”

Albaugh said that Thousands Words will likely start next in the GII San Felipe S. Mar. 7 at Santa Anita.

This week’s News of the Week segment, sponsored by **West Point Thoroughbreds**, included a look at the Saudi Cup and whether it is good or not good for American racing. The writers also gave their thoughts on the passing of A.P. Indy and who might win the Fountain of Youth. [Click here to listen to the podcast.](#)

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SANTA ANITA TO FUND LOYALTY BONUS PROGRAM



Santa Anita Photo

Santa Anita Park has announced a new program to reward the owners of horses who have supported the current race meeting with a Loyalty Bonus to horses who have raced from Dec. 28 through Feb. 29. From Mar. 6 through the end of the season June 21, all eligible horses will receive an additional 10% bonus in their first start during that period (paid on first through fifth place earnings). The bonus money will be fully funded by Santa Anita and The Stronach Group and is separate from the purse account.

Santa Anita also announced that beginning Mar. 6 and through the end of the meet, the track will pick up the costs for up to two veterinary examinations for each horse entered. All horses are eligible for the reimbursement, whether or not they have previously run at the track this season.

“It is very important that we reward those who have been loyal to us this winter,” said Aidan Butler, Acting Director, California Operations for The Stronach Group. “While the Santa Anita Sunshine Bonus announced last week was designed to boost horse inventory, this bonus is for our owners and trainers who have supported us this winter and we want them to know we appreciate that support.”

“In addition, we know that while the additional veterinary protocols put in place are keeping the horses safer, they come at a cost to our owners. We want to thank everyone for working with us to modernize the sport by offsetting these costs this season. We are talking with our stakeholders, including veterinarians, owners and trainers, to determine the most efficient way to implement this.”

The Santa Anita Loyalty Bonus will begin Friday, Mar. 6, which kicks off the prestigious GI Santa Anita H. weekend. The program will be in effect through the remainder of the current

Winter/Spring Meeting, which concludes Sunday, June 21. Runners in stakes races will not be eligible for the Santa Anita Loyalty Bonus.

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CHURCHILL RELEASES SPRING STAKES SCHEDULE

The new date for the GI Stephen Foster H. and the creation of a new mid-meet Stephen Foster Preview Night highlight a record 41-race, \$14-million stakes schedule for the upcoming 38-day Spring Meet at Churchill Downs that runs Apr. 25–June 27.

The Stephen Foster, which will be contested closing day June 27, will also receive a \$100,000 boost in purse to \$700,000. The nine-furlong event anchors a seven-race stakes card--totaling \$1.85 million in purses--that includes the GI \$300,000 Fleur de Lis S. and the GI Wise Dan S. and a pair of newly-created one-mile turf stakes: the War Chant S. and the Tepin S.

Additionally, a new Stephen Foster Preview Night, scheduled for May 30, features seven stakes worth a total of \$975,000. The Preview Night is hosted in conjunction with Downs After Dark, presented by Budweiser. Highlighting the card is the new Blame S. at 1 1/8 miles, contested four weeks after the GI Alysheba S. on the Kentucky Oaks undercard.

The 2020 season, will see seven newly-created stakes races, while 13 stakes will receive purse hikes that range from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Over \$32 million in total prize money is expected to be offered during this year's Spring Meet.

“We’ve meaningfully raised purses in the last year and the results were an extremely competitive racing product with more entries and high-quality horses that appealed to bettors nationwide,” said Churchill Downs Racetrack President Kevin Flanery. “We believe this exciting new ‘big event’ series created by our racing team will help keep the momentum moving forward and be embraced around the country by both horsemen and horseplayers alike.”

Derby week (Apr. 25–May 2) kicks off the spring racing season with 18 stakes that total a record \$10.18 million over the six-day stretch, culminating with the 146th running of the May 2 \$3-million GI Kentucky Derby. Derby Day features seven stakes, including four Grade I--the Kentucky Derby; Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic; Churchill Downs and Derby City Distaff (formerly known as the Humana Distaff). The other three Grade II events on the card each received \$100,000 increases: the \$500,000 Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile; \$500,000 Pat Day Mile; and \$500,000 American Turf.

The Derby's female counterpart the day before, the \$1.25-million GI Longines Kentucky Oaks, highlights six stakes

that day, totaling \$3 million.

The first condition book of scheduled races is expected to be published in early March. Stall applications are due by Friday, Mar. 6.

For the complete 2020 Spring Meet schedule, visit www.churchilldowns.com

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OAKLAWN ANNOUNCES PURSE INCREASE

Beginning with Saturday's race card, Oaklawn Park will increase purses up to \$4,000 for all overnight races.

"This is only possible because of the tremendous support we continue to receive from our horsemen and fans," said Oaklawn President Louis Cella. "We promised a new level of racing at the beginning of the season and we are delivering. Our field sizes (9.5 avg.) are among the highest in nation, we have horsemen participating from both coasts as well as the Midwest, and the fans are responding. We could not be more excited about the rest of the season."

First-level allowance races will be worth at least \$90,000, after receiving a \$4,000 increase, and maiden special weight races will be boosted to \$87,000, with a \$2,000 increase. Purses for all claiming races with a claiming price of \$20,000 or more will also receive a \$2,000 bump, and all other overnight purses are increasing by \$1,000 per race.

"Everything is coming together nicely," said Oaklawn General Manager Wayne Smith. "We have completed the expansion of our casino, and construction is moving right along on the hotel and event center. This is an exciting time for Oaklawn and we are very happy to share our good fortune with the horsemen. It's awesome to be offering the richest winter racing in North America with allowance races starting over \$90,000."

"I think it's great," said trainer Mike Puhich, who is among several new trainers wintering at Oaklawn this year. "Most tracks are kind of hoarding the money, and these guys are throwing it back to the horsemen, which is always good. You love to see that."

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QUINONES WINS 2020 WOOLF AWARD



Luis Quinones | Conrad Photo

Puerto Rican native Luis M. Quinones, America's second leading rider by races won in 2019, has been selected as the winner of the 2020 George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award. Given annually by Santa Anita since 1950, the award will be presented to Quinones in a winner's circle ceremony Mar. 22.

Quinones, who competes along the midwest and southern racing circuit—including Ohio's Mahoning Valley Racecourse and Thistledown and Mountaineer Park in West Virginia—outpolled four other finalists: veteran riders Tyler Baze, Javier Castellano, Chris Emigh and James Graham.

"It's a great honor just to be on the ballot for this award," said the 41-year-old. "Winning the Woolf Award is incredible. I'm looking forward to coming out there and I know this is something I will never forget."

In 2019, Quinones won 314 races from 1,331 mounts, finishing second nationally to Eclipse Champion Irad Ortiz, Jr., who had 324 winners. A married father of three daughters, Quinones has nearly 2,000 career winners.

The Woolf Award winner is selected by a nationwide vote of riders. The award recognizes riders whose careers and personal character garner esteem for the individual and the sport of Thoroughbred racing.

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DELAWARE RACING COMMISSION'S JOHN WAYNE PASSES AWAY *by Bill Finley*

John Wayne, the executive director of the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission, passed away Wednesday while attending the Organization of Racing Investigators Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Wayne was 65.

His death was confirmed by Duncan Patterson, the chair of the Delaware commission.

"John was someone who had done everything in racing," Patterson said. "He was one of the most knowledgeable people you could ever come across. He started out at NYRA, went to the TRPB and then ran Atlantic City Race Course before coming to work for us. He was an amazing guy. I got the call yesterday and couldn't believe it."

Wayne, known as a no-nonsense regulator, had served as the executive director of the Delaware commission since 1999.

"This came as a shock to all of us," said Sarah Crane, an inspector for the Delaware commission. "We're still trying to process that he is gone. He had a large presence in this industry and he will be missed. He was someone who dedicated his entire career to integrity. Integrity was crucial to him. He also always had the best interests of the horsemen and the horses in mind. He definitely had an impact. There aren't too many people in the horse racing industry who did not know who John Wayne was."

He also served the sport outside of Delaware, working closely with the Association of Racing Commission International and in his role as the head of the Organization of Racing Investigators.

"John's motto was always 'Do things right,'" said ARCI President Ed Martin. "You couldn't find anyone more fair or more thorough or more dedicated to his job. When it came to this sport and ensuring integrity there was no one like him. He was a class act, from A to Z. This is a huge loss."

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REPORT: ARCADIA RECEIVES OVER \$1.5M FROM SANTA ANITA

The city of Arcadia receives over \$1.5 million in annual revenue from Santa Anita Park, according to a report from Keyser Marston Associates, which was commissioned for the city's Economic Development Division.

Over the next five years, the racetrack is estimated to generate \$7.5 million in sales tax, pari-mutuel revenue and property tax. According to the report, which was submitted in the fourth quarter of 2019, Santa Anita Park is responsible for 1,160 jobs annually. It is also estimated that employees of the track spend an average of nearly \$5 million in off-site expenditures on dining, goods and services in Arcadia. These

numbers do not include trainers, jockeys, exercise riders, grooms and other backstretch workers.

The report concluded that Santa Anita draws between 1.3 and 1.5 million visitors annually to the racetrack for both racing and non-racing events, with an annual consumer spending of \$31.9 million in consumer spending separate from pari-mutuel wagering. The numbers cited in the Keyser Marston Associates report are exclusive of the increased economic impact seen during years that Santa Anita hosts the Breeders' Cup.

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HIGH WINDS KO'S AQUEDUCT LIVE CARD

The New York Racing Association announced the cancellation of Thursday's live racing program at Aqueduct Racetrack due to dangerously high winds forecast to impact the New York City metropolitan area throughout the day. The National Weather Service called for sustained high winds throughout the afternoon with wind gusts forecast to exceed 40 mph. Aqueduct Racetrack remained open for simulcasting.

Live racing will return at Aqueduct Friday, Feb. 28. The eight-race card will kick off at 1:20 p.m. Eastern.

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Maryland Bill Would Redevelop Home of Preakness Horse Race

"A plan to redevelop the dilapidated Pimlico Race Course and keep the Preakness Stakes in Baltimore was outlined Tuesday to Maryland lawmakers, who would have to approve the \$389-million proposal." **Associated Press, Fox News**

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GRAYSON JC APPROVES \$1.3M IN EQUINE RESEARCH

The board of directors of Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation approved expenditure of \$1,389,637 to fund 17 new projects at 13 universities, four continuing projects, and the Storm Cat Career Development Award. Since 1983, the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation has distributed over \$28.8 million to underwrite 383 projects at 45 universities. One of the projects, to fund sample collection, storage, and cataloging of tissue related to nocardioform placentitis for future submitted research, was accepted because it is directly affecting the 2020 Kentucky foal crop.

“All of our projects are important and designed to help the most horses with the most relevant and critical research, and I’d like to thank all of our many donors and supporters,” said Dell Hancock, chairman of Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation. “However, some projects are extremely time-sensitive, such as the one for nocardioform placentitis, which is affecting our foals in Central Kentucky right now. Nocardioform placentitis cannot be replicated, so we urge farms to provide tissue samples to the University of Kentucky to help solve this terrible problem.”

The University of Kentucky has made arrangements with local veterinarians, who have been supplied with the proper testing kits. Veterinarians who would like additional information should contact gluck@l.uky.edu. All of the testing for this research will be done at no cost to enrolled mares on participating farms.

Additionally, the Storm Cat Career Development Award, inaugurated in 2006, grants \$15,000 to an individual considering a career in equine research. This year’s recipient is Sherry A. Johnson, Colorado State University. Dr. Johnson completed her sports medicine and rehabilitation residency in conjunction with her master’s program and now is in the second year of her PhD program. Her project, “Validation of Blood Flow Restriction Training in Horses,” represents her passion of researching soft tissue injury and rehabilitation.

For more information on all of the new projects, click [here](#).

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ONTARIO RACING ANNOUNCES \$5.89M BREEDERS AWARDS PACKAGE IN 2020-21

Ontario Racing (OR) announced its \$5.89 million Thoroughbred Horse Improvement Program (TIP) Breeders Awards package for 2020-21, including a new Ontario Sired Reward of Excellence program.

Rewarding breeders of Ontario-bred horses at Woodbine and Fort Erie, the distribution is based on first, second and third-place finishes in most classes, including Grade I races.

Additionally, a new \$200,000 Ontario-Sired Reward of Excellence program awards prizes to the breeders of the top three highest earning Ontario-Sired horses worldwide. A total of \$50,000 each is being offered in the 2-year-old colt/gelding, 2-year-old filly, 3-year-old colt/gelding and 3-year-old filly categories (\$25,000 for first place, \$15,000 for second place, \$10,000 for third place in the standings).

“The Breeders Awards are critical to Ontario Racing’s objective of rewarding breeding excellence through its Horse Improvement Programs,” said David Anderson, an Ontario Racing board member and Thoroughbred breeder. “It is our continued intention to invest in the Thoroughbred breeding sector, including the Ontario Sired program, to grow the province’s horse racing and breeding industry.”

Among the Breeders Awards program incentives, bonuses for the Triple Crown and Triple Tiara races have also been raised, including Woodbine’s Queen’s Plate and the Woodbine Oaks, which now offer an added \$50,000 and \$30,000 bonus, respectively. The Canadian-bred juvenile stakes Coronation Futurity and the Princess Elizabeth S. offer a \$25,000 bonus each.

Up to \$33,000 will go to a winner of a Grade I; maiden allowance races offer up to a \$13,000 added reward to an Ontario-bred winner, up from \$5,100 in 2019, while maiden Ontario Sired allowance winners can earn an extra \$10,000 through Breeders Awards, up from \$3,600 last year.

A list of the rewards offered for each division and class can be viewed at 2020 Breeders Awards here <https://bit.ly/387llrl>.

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for stallions standing in North America through Wednesday, Feb. 26

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| Rank | Stallion | BTW | BTH | GSW | GSH | G1SW | G1SH | Starters | Wnrs | Highest Earner | Earnings |
|------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|----------|------|----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Paynter (2009) by Awesome Again FYR: 2015 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$10,000 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 110 | 31 | 126,600 | 1,244,729 |
| 2 | Violence (2010) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2015 Stands: Hill 'n' Dale Farms KY Fee: \$25,000 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 100 | 30 | 87,600 | 1,008,777 |
| 3 | Flat Out (2006) by Flatter FYR: 2015 Stands: Mighty Acres OK Fee: \$3,000 | -- | 2 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 92 | 24 | 79,870 | 760,149 |
| 4 | Take Charge Indy (2009) by A.P. Indy FYR: 2015 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$17,500 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 82 | 22 | 65,869 | 654,277 |
| 5 | Orb (2010) by Malibu Moon FYR: 2015 Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$10,000 | 1 | 3 | -- | 3 | -- | -- | 60 | 14 | 100,000 | 602,992 |
| 6 | Point of Entry (2008) by Dynaformer FYR: 2015 Stands: Adena Springs KY Fee: \$15,000 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 56 | 14 | 43,400 | 428,584 |
| 7 | Alternation (2008) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2015 Stands: Pin Oak Stud KY Fee: \$10,000 | 1 | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 65 | 11 | 59,400 | 419,942 |
| 8 | Graydar (2009) by Unbridled's Song FYR: 2015 Stands: Milky Way Farm CA Fee: \$4,000 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 69 | 13 | 36,911 | 414,042 |
| 9 | Justin Phillip (2008) by First Samurai FYR: 2015 Stands: The Quarter Company NM Fee: \$3,000 | 1 | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 48 | 13 | 92,800 | 407,328 |
| 10 | El Padrino (2009) by Pulpit FYR: 2015 Stands: Northview PA USA (Dead/Ret/Exp) | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 37 | 11 | 55,880 | 392,952 |
| 11 | Overanalyze (2010) by Dixie Union FYR: 2015 Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$7,500 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 72 | 15 | 41,250 | 376,540 |
| 12 | Oxbow (2010) by Awesome Again FYR: 2015 Stands: Calumet Farm KY Fee: \$10,000 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 66 | 17 | 38,500 | 374,745 |
| 13 | Brethren (2008) by Distorted Humor FYR: 2015 Stands: Arindel Farm FL Fee: \$7,500 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 56 | 9 | 92,070 | 338,936 |
| 14 | Smiling Tiger (2007) by Hold That Tiger FYR: 2015 Stands: Harris Farms CA Fee: \$7,500 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 35 | 11 | 59,280 | 337,367 |
| 15 | Poseidon's Warrior (2008) by Speightstown FYR: 2015 Stands: Equistar PA Fee: \$5,000 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 60 | 12 | 150,000 | 335,269 |

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Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 6:04 p.m. EST

FASIG-TIPTON FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH S.-GII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|--------------------|-----------------|---|-------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Candy Tycoon 🌿 | Twirling Candy | Mathis Stable LLC | Pletcher | Franco | 118 |
| 2 | Makabim | Tapizar | Daniel C. Hurtak | Hurtak | Vasquez | 118 |
| 3 | Masterday 🌿 | New Year's Day | Gelfenstein Farm | Zerpa | Torres | 118 |
| 4 | The Falcon 🌿 | Union Rags | Ron Paolucci Racing, LLC and Quartarolo, Ashley | Quartarolo | Meneses | 118 |
| 5 | Dennis' Moment | Tiznow | Albaugh Family Stables LLC | Romans | Prat | 124 |
| 6 | As Seen On Tv | Lookin At Lucky | Screen Door Stables, LLC | Breen | Lopez | 122 |
| 7 | Country Grammer 🌿 | Tonalist | Paul P. Pompa, Jr. | Brown | Castellano | 118 |
| 8 | Gear Jockey | Twirling Candy | Calumet Farm | Arnold, II | Leparoux | 118 |
| 9 | Liam's Lucky Charm | Khozan | Stonehedge LLC | Nicks | Zayas | 122 |
| 10 | Shotski | Blame | Barber, Gary, Wachtel Stable, Pantofel Stable and Howling Pigeon Farms, LLC | O'Dwyer | Velazquez | 124 |
| 11 | Ete Indien 🌿 | Summer Front | L. Shanahan, S. Bacon, Dream With Me Stable., Horse France America, D P Racing & P. Biancone Racing | Biancone | Geroux | 120 |
| 12 | Chance It | Currency Swap | Shooting Star Thoroughbreds, LLC | Joseph, Jr. | Gaffalione | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Jerry Romans Jr., 2-Venneri Racing, Inc., 3-Hurstland Farm, Inc. & Tom Bozarth, 4-Phillips Racing Partnership, AlanQuartucci & Christophe Clement, 5-Tolo Thoroughbreds, 6-Craig L. Wheeler, 7-Scott Pierce & Debbie Pierce, 8-Calumet Farm, 9-Stonehedge LLC, 10-Springland Farm & Prime Bloodstock LLC, 11-Robert B. Tillyer & Eric Buckley, 12-Bett Usher

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 5:01 p.m. EST

GULFSTREAM PARK MILE S.-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|--------------------|--------------------|--|------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Bodexpress 🌿 | Bodemeister | Top Racing, Global Thoroughbred & GDS Racing Stable | Delgado | Jaramillo | 118 |
| 2 | Haikal | Daaher | Shadwell Stable | McLaughlin | Maragh | 118 |
| 3 | Phat Man | Munnings | M. Stribling, Force Five Racing & Two Rivers Racing Stable | Sweezey | Castellano | 124 |
| 4 | Forever Mo 🌿 | Uncle Mo | Partner Stable LLC | Delgado | Meneses | 118 |
| 5 | Zenden 🌿 | Fed Biz | LLP Performance Horse, LLC | Pletcher | Velazquez | 118 |
| 6 | Expert | Point Given | All In The Family Racing | Schettino | Alvarado | 118 |
| 7 | True Timber 🌿 | Mineshaft | Calumet Farm | McLaughlin | Bravo | 120 |
| 8 | Rare Form 🌿 | The Factor | Jones, Sr., Frank L. and Churchill Downs Racing Club | Romans | Prat | 118 |
| 9 | Mr Freeze 🌿 | To Honor and Serve | Bakke, Jim and Isbister, Gerald | Romans | Franco | 124 |
| 10 | Do Share | Candy Ride (Arg) | AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC | Casse | Leparoux | 120 |
| 11 | Hog Creek Hustle 🌿 | Overanalyze | Something Special Racing, LLC | Foley | Gaffalione | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Martha Jane Mulholland, 2-Shadwell Farm, LLC, 3-Kim Nardelli & Rodney Nardelli, 4-Farfellow Farms Ltd., 5-Brent Harris & Beth Harris, 6-Stone Farm, 7-Mr. & Mrs. Marc C. Ferrell, 8-McCann Bloodstock, Mark Kelder & DougRichards, 9-Siena Farms LLC, 10-Colts Neck Stables, LLC., 11-Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & SilverFern Farm, LLC



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Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 3:59 p.m. EST**DAVONA DALE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1m**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|--------------------|------------------|---|-------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Chart | Lea | Leonard & Jonathan Green | Contessa | Bravo | 118 |
| 2 | Dream Marie | Graydar | Miracle's International Trading, Inc. | Williams | Mitchell | 120 |
| 3 | Emily's Oasis | American Pharoah | Lothenbach Stables, Inc. | Wilkes | Landeros | 118 |
| 4 | Nikki and Papa | Mineshaft | L. Anderson-Butler, T. Cady, V. Smith, Ron Paolucci Racing, A. Quartarolo, J. Lambert, S. Melen & N. Sigband | Hess, Jr. | Olsson | 118 |
| 5 | Reluctant Bride 🌿 | Speightstown | D P Racing LLC and Patrick L. Biancone Racing LLC | Biancone | Prat | 118 |
| 6 | Spice Is Nice 🌿 | Curlin | Lawana L. and Robert E. Low | Pletcher | Velazquez | 118 |
| 7 | Bayerness 🌿 | Bayern | Belladonna Racing, LLC | DeVaux | Geroux | 120 |
| 8 | Addilyn 🌿 | Palace Malice | Briannjenn Racing LLC | Sano | Zayas | 118 |
| 9 | Tonalist's Shape 🌿 | Tonalist | Slam Dunk Racing, Branham, Doug and Legacy Ranch, Inc. | Joseph, Jr. | Gaffalione | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 2-Wynnstay LLC & GWR LLC, 3-Peter J. Callahan & Runnymede Farm, Inc, 4-Susan King, 5-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 6-B. Flay Thoroughbreds LLC, 7-Machmer Hall, 8-Dixiana Farms LLC, 9-Sabana Farm

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 5:32 p.m. EST**MAC DIARMIDA S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/8mT**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|--------------------|--------------------|--|------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Morocco 🌿 | Pioneerof the Nile | Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David | Maker | Sanchez | 118 |
| 2 | Nessy | Flower Alley | Sierra Farm | Wilkes | Landeros | 120 |
| 3 | A Thread of Blue 🌿 | Hard Spun | Leonard C. Green | McLaughlin | Bravo | 122 |
| 4 | Sadler's Joy | Kitten's Joy | Woodslane Farm | Albertrani | Castellano | 124 |
| 5 | Channel Maker 🌿 | English Channel | G. Barber, Wachtel Stable, R A Hill Stable & D. Reeves | Mott | Alvarado | 122 |
| 6 | Zulu Alpha | Street Cry (Ire) | Michael M. Hui | Maker | Gaffalione | 124 |
| 7 | Admission Office | Point of Entry | Amerman Racing LLC | Lynch | Franco | 118 |
| 8 | Spooky Channel | English Channel | Terry Hamilton | Lynch | Leparoux | 124 |
| 9 | Marzo 🌿 | Medaglia d'Oro | Three Diamonds Farm | Maker | Prat | 124 |
| 10 | Armistice Day | Declaration of War | Lunsford, Bruce and Robbins, Lansdon B. | Minshall | Zayas | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Oakbrook Farm, 2-Sierra Farm, 3-Flaxman Holdings Limited, 4-Woodslane Farm, LLC., 5-Tall Oaks Farm, 6-Calumet Farm, 7-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 8-Calumet Farm, 9-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 10-Glenvale Stud

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 12:57 p.m. EST**PALM BEACH S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1 1/16mT**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|-------------------|-----------------|--|-----------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Tiesto 🌿 | Tiznow | LNJ Foxwoods and NK Racing | Mott | Alvarado | 118 |
| 2 | Bee Catcher | English Channel | Calumet Farm | Motion | Prado | 118 |
| 3 | Street Ready 🌿 | More Than Ready | Lucky Seven Stable | Wilkes | Landeros | 118 |
| 4 | Sassy But Smart | Overdriven | Martha, Scott & Mike Borchetta and Martin Silver | Condie | Bravo | 118 |
| 5 | Fancy Liquor | Lookin At Lucky | Skychai Racing LLC and Sand Dollar Stable LLC | Maker | Geroux | 120 |
| 6 | Allgorilla 🌿 | Algorithms | Thoroughbred Champions Training Center LLC | Mejia | Zapico | 118 |
| 7 | South Bend | Algorithms | Sagamore Farm LLC | Hough | Leparoux | 122 |
| 8 | Life On Top 🌿 | Carpe Diem | Centennial Farms | Jerkens | Maragh | 118 |
| 9 | Turn of Events | Hard Spun | Three Diamonds Farm | Maker | Lopez | 118 |
| 10 | Famished K | Uncle Mo | Tobey L. Morton | Kimmel | Franco | 118 |
| 11 | Fenwick Station 🌿 | Magician (Ire) | Summerplace Farm | Kenneally | Gaffalione | 120 |
| 12 | Vitalogy (GB) | No Nay Never | Qatar Racing Limited, Marc Detampel & Bottle Rocket Stable | Walsh | Castellano | 118 |

Breeders: 1-David Jacobs & Tiznow Syndicate, 2-Calumet Farm, 3-Earle I. Mack, LLC, 4-Mike Borchetta, Martha Borchetta & Martin Silver, 5-Hot Pink Stable & Skychai Racing LLC, 6-Adele B. Dilschneider, 7-Highclere, Inc., 8-Gabriel Duignan, Crosshaven Bldsk, Hazelmere Bldsk & Petaluma Bldsk, 9-Bryant H. Prentice, III, 10-Michael C. Byrne, 11-Lantern Hill Farm, 12-Mr W. A. Tinkler

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 1:27 p.m. EST**HONEY FOX S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|----------------------|------------------------|--|-------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Silver Kitten | Kitten's Joy | D. Feiss, B. Terner, S. Kennedy, Combs Racing Stable & H. Lynch | Gargan | Prat | 118 |
| 2 | Atomic Blonde | Scat Daddy | Gunther, John D. and Eurowest Bloodstock Services | Pletcher | Castellano | 122 |
| 3 | Sweet Hitch Hiker | Take Charge Indy | Mawhinney, Tim and Karen | Kurtinecz | Rendon | 118 |
| 4 | La Feve (Fr) 🌿 | George Vancouver | Madaket Stables, R. LaPenta, Lindy Farms & Team Hanley | Joseph, Jr. | Geroux | 118 |
| 5 | Steelin Magnolias | City Place | Mike Trent | Hendry | Prado | 118 |
| 6 | Conquest Hardcandy 🌿 | Candy Ride (Arg) | Alfonso Cammarota | Sano | Zayas | 120 |
| 7 | Getmotherarose | Get Stormy | Mary Abeel Sullivan Revocable Trust | Bush | Alvarado | 118 |
| 8 | Miss Munnings | Munnings | Tobey L. Morton | Kimmel | Franco | 118 |
| 9 | Sister Hanan | Orb Sumaya U.S. Stable | Colebrook | Lanerie | 118 | |
| 10 | Munchkin Money | Freud | Sweet Home Stables, M. Parkinson, B. Martin, S. Bouchey & T. Weintraub | Clement | Gaffalione | 120 |
| 11 | Valedictorian | Temple City | Epic Racing | Breen | Lopez | 122 |

Breeders: 1-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey, 2-John D. Gunther, Eurowest Bloodstock Services & Nicole Gunther, 3-Tim James Mawhinney & Karen Faye Mawhinney, 4-Bernard Leclere & Mme Raymonde Leclere, 5-Mike Trent & Ruth Trent, 6-The New Hill Farm LLC, 7-Mary A. Sullivan, 8-Ashleigh Stud Farm, Frank Ramos & Jackie Ramos, 9-Int'l Equities Holdings, Inc., 10-Dr. Thomas M. Murray, 11-John Bowers, Jr.

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 2:27 p.m. EST**THE VERY ONE S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16mT**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|-----------------------|------------------------|---|------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Layla Noor | Midnight Lute | Lael Stables | Delacour | Zayas | 118 |
| 2 | Touriga (Brz) | Put It Back | Kiyoshi Maekawa | Motion | Velazquez | 122 |
| 3 | Queen of Time (GB) | Harbour Watch (Ire) | Alex Frost | Motion | Alvarado | 118 |
| 4 | Ferdinanda 🌿 | Giant's Causeway | Ann M. Backer | Tagg | Franco | 122 |
| 5 | Cap de Creus | Tapit Gainesway Stable | Pletcher | Prat | 118 | |
| 6 | Lemon Zip 🌿 | Ghostzapper | High Kings Racing LLC | Saville | Conner | 118 |
| 7 | Romantic Pursuit | Medaglia d'Oro | Godolphin, LLC | McLaughlin | Bravo | 118 |
| 8 | La Signare (Fr) | Siyouni (Fr) | Madaket Stables, Tim & Anna Cambron & Bradley Thoroughbreds | Walsh | Gaffalione | 118 |
| 9 | Elizabeth Way (Ire) | Frankel (GB) | John J. McCormack | Attfield | Lopez | 118 |
| 10 | Empress of the Nile 🌿 | Pioneer of the Nile | Madaket Stables, Manganaro Bloodstock & R. Masiello | Motion | Castellano | 122 |
| 11 | Raining Lemons | Lemon Drop Kid | Edith R. Dixon | Matz | Geroux | 118 |
| 12 | English Affair | English Channel | Calumet Farm | Arnold, II | Leparoux | 118 |

Breeders: 1-Lael Stable, 2-Fazenda Mondesir, 3-Shortgrove Manor Stud, 4-William M. Backer Revocable Trust, 5-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 6-Chiefswood Stables Limited, 7-Godolphin, 8-Moussa Mbacke, 9-Godolphin, 10-Pam Doddridge, 11-Edith R. Dixon, 12-Calumet Farm

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 3:28 p.m. EST**HERECOMESTHEBRIDE S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT**

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|----------------------|--------------------|---|---------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Hey Kitten | Haynesfield | R. Brisset, Rags Racing Stable & R. Wood | Brisset | Prat | 118 |
| 2 | Veruca 🌿 | Twirling Candy | Belladonna Racing, LLC | DeVaux | Geroux | 118 |
| 3 | Declarationwarrior 🌿 | Declaration of War | Gary Barber | Casse | Zayas | 118 |
| 4 | Ginger Kitty | Red Rocks (Ire) | Calumet Farm | Arnold, II | Rendon | 118 |
| 5 | Cheermeister | Bodemeister | Palmer, Teresa and Palmer, David J. | De La Cerda | Jaramillo | 124 |
| 6 | In a Hurry | Blame | Stuart S. Janney, III | McGaughey III | Leparoux | 120 |
| 7 | Abscond 🌿 | Blame | Apogee Bloodstock | Kenneally | Gaffalione | 124 |
| 8 | Stunning Sky 🌿 | Declaration of War | Paradise Farms Corp. and Parkland Thoroughbreds | Maker | Lopez | 120 |

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|----|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------|-----------|-----|
| 9 | Witez | More Than Ready | Mary Ann Charlston | Wilkes | Landeros | 118 |
| 10 | Lucky Polly 🦄 | Lookin At Lucky | Gary Barber | Casse | Velazquez | 118 |
| 11 | Sunset Promise | Broken Vow | David Staudacher | Maker | Franco | 118 |
| 12 | Lost Ticket | More Than Ready | Staghawk Stables | Mott | Alvarado | 118 |

Breeders: 1-Richard Perkins, 2-Machmer Hall & D + J Racing Stable LLC, 3-Camas Park Stud, 4-Calumet Farm, 5-Mike Abraham, 6-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC., 7-Michael Niall, 8-Stephen J. McDonald, 9-Mary Ann Charlston, 10-Nicholas J. Sibilio, 11-Rosedown Racing Stables, LLC, 12-Gryphon Investments

Saturday, Gulfstream, post time: 4:30 p.m. EST

CANADIAN TURF S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | OWNER | TRAINER | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|--------------------|---|-----------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Hay Dakota 🦄 | Haynesfield | Mr. Amore Stable | Servis | Lopez | 120 |
| 2 | Caribou Club | City Zip | Glen Hill Farm | Proctor | Lynch | 124 |
| 3 | Krampus | Shakespeare | Hatfield Stables and Hatfield, Rod | Tomlinson | Leparoux | 120 |
| 4 | Hembree 🦄 | Proud Citizen | Three Diamonds Farm | Maker | Gaffalione | 122 |
| 5 | Sombeyay 🦄 | Into Mischief | Starlight Racing | Pletcher | Prat | 118 |
| 6 | Gemonteer | Distorted Humor | Fred Rosen | Antonucci | Vasquez | 120 |
| 7 | Mr Dumas 🦄 | Majesticperfection | WSS Racing LLC and Hooties Racing LLC | Maker | Franco | 124 |
| 8 | English Bee | English Channel | Calumet Farm | Motion | Castellano | 124 |
| 9 | Gidu (Ire) | Frankel (GB) | Zayat Stables, LLC | Pletcher | Velazquez | 120 |
| 10 | Louder Than Bombs 🦄 | Violence | Sandra New | Fawkes | Bravo | 118 |
| 11 | Musical Heart | Maclean's Music | Joseph Bucci | Miller | Maragh | 120 |
| 12 | Flying Scotsman | English Channel | Calumet Farm | Sisterson | Geroux | 122 |
| 13 | Thunder Ride 🦄 | Pioneerof the Nile | My Purple Haze Stables | Pompay | Maragh | 118 |
| 14 | Joyful Heart 🦄 | Kitten's Joy | Borchetta, Mike, Borchetta, Martha and Borchetta, Scott | Condie | Torres | 118 |

Breeders: 1-Brereton C. Jones, 2-Glen Hill Farm, 3-William C. Schettine, 4-Derby Lane Farm, LLC, 5-J. D. Stuart & Mueller Farms, Inc., 6-Millennium Farms & Distorted Humor Syndicate, 7-Ramspring Farm, 8-Calumet Farm, 9-Ecurie Des Monceaux, 10-Hidden Brook Farm & Spruce Lane Farm, 11-Sovereign Farm & Hill 'N' Dale Farm, 12-Calumet Farm, 13-Gainesway Tbreeds LTD, J & B Passerello, Graves, Howard & Ivanovich, 14-Mrs. Jerry Amerman



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SECOND CHANCES: UNION MAIDEN

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Union Rags is the sire of Union Maiden | Lee Thomas

In this continuing series, TDN's Senior Editor Steve Sherack catches up with the connections of promising maidens to keep on your radar. In this edition, **Union Maiden** (Union Rags) is highlighted following a better-than-it-looked fifth-place finish after missing the break on debut at Gulfstream Park earlier this month. Previous runners featured in this column include: MGISW and 'TDN Rising Star' Paradise Woods (Union Rags), GSW Backyard Heaven (Tizway), MSW and 'TDN Rising Star' Gidu (Ire) (Frankel {GB}); and the highly regarded runaway Santa Anita maiden winner Honor A. P. (Honor Code).

Despite an off-the-board finish as the 4-5 favorite on debut, **Union Maiden** (f, 3, Union Rags--Pantanal, by Congrats) flashed plenty of potential in her six-furlong unveiling at Gulfstream Park Feb. 16 (video).

The bay, drawn widest of all in post nine, lost all chance after hitting the gate at the start and trailed the field through an opening quarter in a sharp :22.45. She finally entered the picture approaching the quarter pole, cornered for home while about four/five wide and came rolling down the center of the course to finish an encouraging fifth, easily clocking the fastest final eighth of the field in :12.44. Union Maiden cut the final deficit to 2 1/4 lengths behind a 'TDN Rising Star' performance from visually impressive first-time starter Remanded (Elusive Quality).

Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan went to \$425,000 to acquire Union Maiden on behalf of Allen Wise's Wise Racing as an OBS

March 2-year-old following a :21 1/5 breeze from the Eddie Woods consignment last spring. She is trained by Chad Brown.

"The winner got the 'TDN Rising Star' and is a nice filly, but I think this filly was the best in the race," Ryan said.

"She got left many, many lengths and got beat 2 1/4 lengths, galloping out past the winner before they got to the turn. If she would've come out of the gate clean, she would've won. I was very impressed with the effort she put in down the lane. A lot of first-time starters aren't going to do that. I think she's a quality filly and is Saturday afternoon class. We're very optimistic that she's going to improve tremendously.

Ryan continued, "She was a lovely filly at the sale. Eddie Woods does a superior job. Her breeze was spectacular--when you see them breeze like that, it's not rocket science. I'm a huge Dixie Union fan--Gerry Dilger and myself bred [GISW] Hot Dixie Chick (Dixie Union). This filly had a lot of Dixie Union in her. He was a great sire that left us too soon."

Bred in Kentucky by Haymarket Farm LLC, Union Maiden is a half-sister to last year's GI Woody Stephens S. third Borracho (Uncle Mo). The granddaughter of three-time stakes winner Selva (Forest Wildcat) also RNA'd for \$110,000 as a KEENOV weanling and brought \$220,000 from Apogee Bloodstock as a KEESSEP yearling.

Primacy is another maiden 3-year-old daughter of Union Rags selected by Ryan (\$240,000 OBSAPR purchase on behalf of Pick Five Racing, LLC) and trained by Brown to keep an eye on. She rallied from very far back to finish a strong second at first asking at Gulfstream last Sunday (video).

"That filly was back a country mile," Ryan said. "She's a very nice filly--that was a monstrous effort."

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FRIDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS:

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PRICEY PHAROAH DEBUTS VS. FL-BREDS

5th-GP, \$44K, Msw, (S), 3yo, 1m, 3:03p.m.

WinStar Farm and China Horse Club's \$600,000 KEESEP purchase **FREEDOM FORCE (American Pharoah)** makes his career bow against fellow Florida-breds in this spot. The chestnut is a half-brother to MGISW millionaire lotapa (Afleet Alex) and SW & GSP Sainly Joan (Northern Afleet). The Rodolphe Brisset trainee enters off a bullet five furlongs in 1:00 flat (1/8) at Palm Meadows Feb. 19. Todd Pletcher saddles another intriguing runner in this test in Mathis homebred **Roman Empire (Empire Maker)**. Off slowly in his debut on turf against fellow state-breds here 15 days ago, the bay rallied from well back to finish a respectable third. The sophomore hails from the family of Grade I-winning millionaire Eddington (Unbridled) and GSW National Flag (Speightstown). **TJCIS PPs**

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\$329,521; and the dam of SW and GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S. contender Chance It (Currency Swap). All West's 3-year-old full-sister East to West is unplaced in two starts for Jason Servis. Clear Distinction produced an American Freedom filly last term and was bred back to Flashback. This is also the family of GISW Cuddles (Mr Prospector), who is the dam of MGSW Katz Me If You Can (Storm Cat); GISW Tap to Music (Pleasant Tap) and MGSW sire Northern Afleet (Afleet). Sales history: \$100,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$53,550. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Gary and Mary West (KY); T-Wayne M. Catalano.

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4th-Gulfstream, \$43,700, Msw, 2-27, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17.35, ft. UNSHAKEN (g, 4, Tapit--Composure {MGISW, \$731,300}, by Touch Gold) checked in fourth in his unveiling at Keeneland Apr. 13 and was subsequently shelved. Gelded in the interim, he was hammered down to 7-5 favoritism for this return to action. Off a half-beat slow, the Godolphin homebred was hot on the heels of the leading trio through a :23.87 opening quarter. Gliding up to their outside to take command as the half went in :47.51, Unshaken kept on finding while two wide in the lane, denying a stubborn Youngest of Five (Super Saver) by a length. Firster and \$800,000 KEESEP buy Coastal Defense (Curlin)--a half to Grade I winners Hawkbill (Kitten's Joy) and Free Drop Billy (Union Rags)--broke slowly and trailed through the opening half-mile, but passed a pair of tiring pacesetters late to be fourth. The winner is a half to Penwith (Bernardini), GSW & MGISP, \$600,135; Centring (A.P. Indy), MGISP, \$509,102; and Tranquil Manner (A.P. Indy), GISP, \$239,610. Their dual Grade I-winning dam Composure, a full-sister to GSW Ready Set, was purchased by Godolphin for \$3.6 million at the 2003 Keenland November Sale carrying her first foal by the late A.P. Indy. The 20-year-old mare's youngest offspring is the 3-year-old colt Centered (Speightstown), who was unplaced in his debut for trainer Tom Albertani in Hallandale Feb. 22. Composure visited Bernardini last spring. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$29,750. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Kieran P. McLaughlin.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

4th-Oaklawn, \$85,000, Msw, 2-27, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.47, ft. ALL WEST (c, 4, Flashback--Clear Distinction, by Storm Cat) finished fifth on debut going six panels over this strip Feb. 7 and was bet down to half of his 8-1 morning-line quote for this extension in trip. Stalking from second through early splits of :23.77 and :48.13, the gray drew even with the pacesetting On d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro) entering the far turn and was joined Copper King (Medaglia d'Oro) to his outside. All West charged clear of those rivals in the lane for a four-length graduation. Copper King held second with On d'Oro holding third. The winner is a half to Aireofdistinction (Songandaprayer), MSW,

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Unshaken (Tapit) scores at Gulfstream Park.

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

Sunday, March 1, 2020

2nd-HSN, ¥9,680,000 (\$88k), Maiden, 3yo, 1800m

UNBOUNDED (c, 3, Uncle Mo--Undercover Justice, by Lawyer Ron) was well-beaten--as was everything else--by the very impressive A Shin Amen Ra (American Pharoah) on his course-and-distance debut Dec. 7, but has finished second and third, respectively, in Kyoto maidens over nine and 9 1/2 furlongs since. Acquired in utero for \$300K at Keeneland November in 2016 and subsequently sold for \$400K as a KEESEP yearling two years later, Unbounded is a full-brother to the GSP Conquest Babygaga and a half to Sorrentina Lemon (Lemon Drop Kid) and is out of an unplaced half-sister to GISW Negligee (Northern Afleet). *B-Bill Justice (KY)*

3rd-CKO, ¥9,680,000 (\$88k), Maiden, 3yo, 1200m

PRECIOUS GIRL (f, 3, Speightstown--Pressurizing, by Henrythenavigator) ran on gamely in the final 200 meters, but was no match for the dominating Lecce Baroque (Uncle Mo) in a 1400-meter newcomers' event at Tokyo Feb. 8 ([video](#), gate 12). A \$375K purchase as a weanling out of the 2017 Fasig-Tipton November sale, the dark bay--who was foaled Mar. 2--is out of an unraced daughter of Vertigineux (Kris S.), dam of Horse of the Year and three-time champion older mare Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) as well as MGISW Balance (Thunder Gulch) and SW Where's Bailey (Aljabr). Among the competition Sunday is Primo d'Arc (Bernardini), who has finished second twice in two starts to date. Speightstown is the sire of 26 winners from his 32 Japanese starters. *B-Gilgai Farm (KY)*

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American Pharoah (Pioneer of the Nile), Ashford Stud, private
318 foals of racing age/31 winners/6 black-type winners
5-Gulfstream, Msw 1m, FREEDOM FORCE, 7-5
\$600,000 KEE SEP yrl

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000
157 foals of racing age/29 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Delta Downs, \$70K Take Charge Brandi S., 7f, GREEN
MONSTER, 8-1
\$20,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$80,000 OBS OCT yrl

The Big Beast (Yes It's True), Ocala Stud, \$6,000
102 foals of racing age/21 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 5fT, FREE THE BEAST, 10-1
9-Gulfstream, Aoc 6 1/2f, SWEET MIA, 12-1
\$35,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$25,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Chitu (Henny Hughes), Bridlewood Farm, \$4,500
88 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 5fT, SILVER TUNES, 12-1

Competitive Edge (Super Saver), Ashford Stud, \$12,500
155 foals of racing age/34 winners/4 black-type winners
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 5fT, REITERATE, 3-1
\$45,000 OBS OCT yrl

Golden Ticket (Speightstown), Questroyal North
47 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 5fT, SIENA'S TICKET, 30-1

Hampton Court (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), Spendthrift Farm
44 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Delta Downs, \$70K Take Charge Brandi S., 7f, NANCY'S
RESCUE, 20-1

Karakontie (Jpn) (Bernstein), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000
130 foals of racing age/14 winners/3 black-type winners
4-Turfway, Alw 6f, LAS RAMBLAS, 6-1
\$5,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$16,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$40,000 OBS APR 2yo

Khozan (Distorted Humor), Journeyman Stud, \$8,500
 130 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners
 7-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 5ft, SOLID AS A ROCK, 5-1

Liam's Map (Unbridled's Song), Lane's End Farm, \$35,000
 232 foals of racing age/24 winners/2 black-type winners
 8-Delta Downs, \$70K Take Charge Brandi S., 7f, TAYLOR'S
 LIGHTNING, 30-1
 \$135,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS APR 2yo
 5-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5 1/2f, WEST SIDE WARRIOR, 7-2
 \$55,000 OBS APR 2yo

Mr Speaker (Pulpit), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000
 79 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners
 5-Aqueduct, Msw 6f, MR PHIL, 5-2
 \$30,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$25,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Silver Max (Badge of Silver), Adena Springs North, \$3,000
 55 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
 9-Gulfstream, Aoc 6 1/2f, SILVER DAHLIA, 20-1
 \$9,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
 246 foals of racing age/34 winners/3 black-type winners
 5-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5 1/2f, POINT DRIVEN, 9-2
 \$47,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$160,000 OBS APR
 2yo

Tonalist (Tapit), Lane's End Farm, \$15,000
 179 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner
 5-Santa Anita, Msw 1 1/8mT, CAPITAL CALL, 6-1

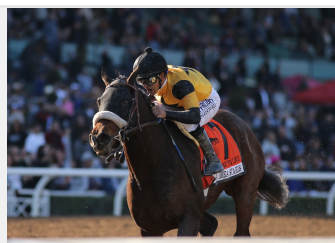


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8th-Oaklawn, \$86,000, 2-27, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.09, ft.

ROCKIN READY (m, 5, More Than Ready--Bella Chianti, by Empire Maker) Lifetime Record: 14-2-5-0, \$154,236.

O-Agave Racing Stable; B-Jack Mandato & More Than Ready Syndicate (KY); T-Philip D'Amato. *\$30,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP; \$280,000 2yo '17 OBSMAR.

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7th-Laurel, \$47,292, 2-27, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.10, ft.

OVER SENSUAL (g, 5, Overanalyze--La Chica Sensual {MSW, \$379,595}, by Lightnin N Thunder) Lifetime Record: 31-5-9-8, \$197,897. O-Richie's World Stables LLC; B-Murray D Stroud (FL); T-Juan C. Vazquez. *\$34,000 4yo '19 EASDEC. **1/2 to Bootleggers Wife (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), SW; and Demigoddess (First Dude), SP, \$150,840.

8th-Fair Grounds, \$47,000, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 2-27, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:41.98, ft.

MISS BIGLY (f, 4, Gemologist--Miss Puzzle {Aus} {SP-NZ}, by Citidancer {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-4, \$170,522. O/T-Eddie Kenneally; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY). *\$120,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$20,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Fashion Plate (Old Fashioned), MGISW, \$471,250; and Mr. Candy Bar (Candy Ride {Arg}), SW, \$188,010.

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4th-Fair Grounds, \$47,000, (S), 2-27, (C), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.76, ft.

SEBS PRINCESS (f, 3, Khozan--A True Star, by Yes It's True)

Lifetime Record: SW, 9-4-0-0, \$133,300. O-Northpointe Thoroughbreds; B-Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC & J. Adcock (LA); T-Steven Duke. *\$5,500 Ylg '18 ESLYRL. **1/2 to Joe Hollywood (Congrats), MSP, \$313,909.

6th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, (S), 2-27, (NW1X), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11.59, ft.

OH TODDLES (f, 3, Chatain--Gal Aloud, by War Chant) Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$49,800. O-Chrysal Lacombe; B-Gary M. Scherer & Chad White (LA); T-Jorge Lara.

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9th-Fair Grounds, \$46,000, (S), 2-27, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.28, ft.

SOUTHERN SWAGG (g, 5, Swagger Jack--Southern Banner {SP}, by Southern Halo) Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-0, \$54,300. O/B-Earl & Keith Hernandez & John Duvieilh (LA); T-Sam David, Jr.

6th-Delta Downs, \$44,000, (S), 2-26, (NW4L), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:40.17, ft.

BISTRAYA (g, 7, Haynesfield--Lady Giselle, by Broad Brush) Lifetime Record: MSP, 35-4-6-6, \$218,727. O-Thomas L. Holyfield; B-Avalon Farms, Inc. (LA); T-Keith G. Bourgeois. *\$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. **1/2 to Lord Avalon (Yonaguska), SP, \$199,204.

7th-Delta Downs, \$40,000, (S), 2-26, (NW2L), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:20.41, ft.

LANGS DAY (g, 3, New Year's Day--Langsyne, by Langfuhr) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$46,800. O-Keith Plaisance; B-J. Adcock & Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC (LA); T-Lee Thomas. *\$27,000 Ylg '18 ESLYRL. **1/2 to Special Blessing (Flat Out), MSW, \$270,330.

10th-Sam Houston Race, \$37,000, 2-26, (NW2L), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39.50, ft.

TIGHT TEN (c, 4, Tapit--Devils Humor, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: MGSP, 10-2-2-1, \$126,528. O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. *Full to All in Fun, SP, \$311,480.

1st-Delta Downs, \$34,000, 2-27, (NW1X), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47.08, ft.

KING OF THE TESTO (c, 4, Shanghai Bobby--Lucette {SW}, by Dayjur) Lifetime Record: 9-5-0-1, \$63,727. O-Andre Caubarreaux; B-Marathon Farms, Inc. (MD); T-Kenward Bernis. *\$135,000 Ylg '17 EASOCT; \$180,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Everyday Heroes (Awesome Again), GSW, \$225,800.

4th-Delta Downs, \$34,000, 2-26, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.90, ft.

TEZ (c, 4, The Factor--Sarah Accomplished {SW}, by Performing Magic) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-3, \$65,416. O-G M B Racing; B-Dennis Crooks - George Bates (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss. *\$40,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$130,000 Ylg '17 KEESEP. **1/2 to Baydar (Graydar), MSP, \$169,360.



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5th-Penn National, \$31,600, (S), 2-26, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.35, ft.

SIERRA SARAH (m, 6, Trajectory--Rosa P, by Helmsman) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-0, \$41,450. O-Russell, Edwin G. and McDonough, Michael; B-R. N. Miller (PA); T-Naipaul Chatterpaul.

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Leo's Diamond, f, 3, **Proud Citizen**--Spring Storm, by Unbridled's Song. Gulfstream, 2-27, (C), 6f, 1:12.62. B-Machmer Hall (KY). *\$42,000 RNA Ylg '18 KEESEP; \$12,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Sirenic, f, 3, **Strong Mandate**--Miss Dixie Rose, by Dixieland Band. Oaklawn, 2-27, (C), 6f, 1:11.37. B-Rosecrest Farm LLC (KY). *\$5,500 Ylg '18 KEESEP.

Zafir, c, 4, **Scat Daddy**--Funny Bay, by Medaglia d'Oro. Charles Town, 2-26, 4 1/2f, :52.84. B-Nina Theodora Camperlengo (FL).

Sunblessed (Ire), f, 4, **Sir Percy (GB)**--Alphabetique (GB), by Zamindar. Golden Gate Fields, 2-27, 1m (AWT), 1:38.52. B-Ringfort Stud (IRE). *32,000gns Wlg '16 TATFOA; 33,000gns Ylg '17 TAOCT; 85,000gns 2yo '18 TATAHI.

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CHATAIN, Oh Toodles, f, 3, o/o Gal Aloud, by War Chant. ALW, 2-27, Fair Grounds

FLASHBACK, All West, c, 4, o/o Clear Distinction, by Storm Cat. MSW, 2-27, Oaklawn

GEMOLOGIST, Miss Bigly, f, 4, o/o Miss Puzzle (Aus), by Citidancer (Ire). AOC, 2-27, Fair Grounds

HAYNESFIELD, Bistraya, g, 7, o/o Lady Giselle, by Broad Brush. ALW, 2-26, Delta Downs

KHOZAN, Sebs Princess, f, 3, o/o A True Star, by Yes It's True. ALW, 2-27, Fair Grounds

MORE THAN READY, Rockin Ready, m, 5, o/o Bella Chianti, by Empire Maker. ALW, 2-27, Oaklawn

NEW YEAR'S DAY, Langs Day, g, 3, o/o Langsyne, by Langfuhr. ALW, 2-26, Delta Downs

OVERANALYZE, Over Sensual, g, 5, o/o La Chica Sensual, by Lightnin N Thunder. ALW, 2-27, Laurel

PROUD CITIZEN, Leo's Diamond, f, 3, o/o Spring Storm, by Unbridled's Song. MCL, 2-27, Gulfstream

SCAT DADDY, Zafir, c, 4, o/o Funny Bay, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 2-26, Charles Town

SHANGHAI BOBBY, King of the Testa, c, 4, o/o Lucette, by Dayjur. ALW, 2-27, Delta Downs

SIR PERCY (GB), Sunblessed (Ire), f, 4, o/o Alphabetique (GB), by Zamindar. MSW, 2-27, Golden Gate

STRONG MANDATE, Sirenic, f, 3, o/o Miss Dixie Rose, by Dixieland Band. MCL, 2-27, Oaklawn

SWAGGER JACK, Southern Swagg, g, 5, o/o Southern Banner, by Southern Halo. ALW, 2-27, Fair Grounds

TAPIT, Tight Ten, c, 4, o/o Devils Humor, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 2-26, Sam Houston

TAPIT, Unshaken, g, 4, o/o Composure, by Touch Gold. MSW, 2-27, Gulfstream

THE FACTOR, Tez, c, 4, o/o Sarah Accomplished, by Performing Magic. ALW, 2-26, Delta Downs

TRAJECTORY, Sierra Sarah, m, 6, o/o Rosa P, by Helmsman. ALW, 2-26, Penn National



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DUBAWI EXACTA IN MEYDAN FEATURE



Secret Advisor | DRC/Erika Rasmussen

By Kelsey Riley

It was a blue wash at the start of Thursday's G3 Nad Al Sheba Trophy at Meydan, with the five Godolphin runners leading the four others past the stands the first time in the 2810 metre turf contest, and it remained that way at the finish, with **Secret Advisor (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}) leading home a Godolphin top four finish in the feature. Last year's G3 Bahrain Trophy and Belmont Gold Cup winner **Spanish Mission** (Noble Mission {GB}) traveled last early but failed to fire when put to pressure in the stretch, finishing sixth.

Though six, Secret Advisor has run just nine times for trainer Charlie Appleby. He showed promise at three mostly in the handicap ranks, although he can claim a third-place finish behind Stradivarius (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) in the G2 Queen's Vase at Royal Ascot in 2017. Gelded after missing his entire 4-year-old season the following year, Secret Advisor returned last summer with two subpar performances in staying handicaps, and was making his first start since on Thursday.

Secret Advisor had his head in front in the two path when they hit the wire the first time, but William Buick appeared to be looking for someone to take it up and **Gifts Of Gold (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and Pat Cosgrave did just that on the run into the turn, darting about 2 1/2 lengths clear. [Cont. p2](#)

ASCOT BREEZE UP CATALOGUE ONLINE

The Tattersalls Ascot Breeze Up Sale, set for Apr. 1, has drawn 95 juveniles that will be again eligible for the £100,000 Ascot Breeze Up Bonus for winning any one of the six 2-year-old contests at Royal Ascot.

Last year's sale produced four listed-winning 2-year-olds from just 78 offered: Flaming Princess (Ire) (Hot Streak {Ire}), Lorelei Rock (Ire) (Camacho {GB}), Cacciante (Ire) (Night of Thunder {Ire}) and Summer Sands (GB) (Coach House {Ire}), the latter of which was also third in the G1 Middle Park S.

This year's catalogue includes the progeny of accomplished sires like Acclamation (GB), Bated Breath (GB), Dandy Man (Ire), Footstepsinthesand (GB), Holy Roman Emperor (Ire), Iffraaj (GB), Kodiak (GB), No Nay Never, Showcasing (GB) and Starspangledbanner (Aus). Exciting second-year sires represented include Cable Bay (Ire) and Due Diligence, while the freshman crop includes Awtaad (Ire), Belardo (Ire), Fascinating Rock (Ire), New Bay (GB), Twilight Son (GB) and Vadamos (Fr).

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Dubawi Exacta In Meydan Feature cont. from p1

About 4 1/2 lengths covered Godolphin’s leading quintet down the backstretch, with Spanish Mission about eight lengths off the lead in last. Secret Advisor and Buick continued to bide their time around the turn as Gifts Of Gold made an attempt to steal away, but that blinkered bay began to splutter upon turning for home. Secret Advisor was put to a drive by Buick approaching the three pole and used a sharp turn of foot to overhaul Gifts Of Gold. **Dubai Future (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and **Dubai Horizon (Ire)** (Poet’s Voice {GB}) rallied from their stalking positions but Secret Advisor had more than enough in the tank to pull off the victory.

“We were very pleased with his first start here,” Appleby said. “Before, when he was a 3-year-old, he won the Melrose and that’s a good race to produce staying horses for the future. Unfortunately, he’s been challenging for everybody and full credit to the team at this stage of his career. [Jockey] William [Buick] was delighted with that. He’s travelled round and was the class in the race, really. He’s picked up and he’s stayed—he’s ticked all the boxes. Whether we get a shot to run him on World Cup night, we’ll see on racing, as he’s still got a bit to find. If he doesn’t get the opportunity to run World Cup night, then I’m sure we’ll look down the staying route back in Europe and regroup here next winter.”

Pedigree Notes

Carrying the same Dubawi over Galileo cross as the likes of Night of Thunder (Ire), Ghaiyyath (Ire) and Dartmouth (GB), Secret Advisor is the fourth foal out of the G3 Prix du Royaumont victress Sub Rose (Ire). Sub Rose is also responsible for the dual French group winner and G1 Champion S. third Subway Dancer (Ire) (Shamardal), and she has a 2-year-old filly by Muhaarar (GB) called Sub Sahara (Fr) and a yearling filly by Al Wukair (Ire). The third dam is the G2 Child S. winner and G1 Coronation S. and G1 Jacques le Marois placed Magic Gleam (Danzig).

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Thursday, Meydan, Dubai

NAD AL SHEBA TROPHY (SPONSORED BY MOHAMMED BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM CITY-DISTRICT ONE)-G3, \$300,000, Meydan, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2810mT, 2:55.64, gd. 1--SECRET ADVISOR (FR), 126, g, 6, by **Dubawi (Ire)**

1st Dam: Sub Rose (Ire), by Galileo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Amazing Krisken, by Kris S.

3rd Dam: Magic Gleam, by Danzig

O-Godolphin; B-Haras de Saint Pair (FR); T-Charlie Appleby; J-William Buick. \$180,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 10-4-2-1, \$402,750. *1/2 to Subway Dancer (Ire) (Shamardal), Horse of

the Year, Ch. Older Horse in Czechoslovakia/Czech Republic, MGSW-Fr & G1SP-Eng, \$293,354. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Dubai Future (GB)**, 121, c, 4, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Anjaz, by Street Cry (Ire). O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \$60,000.

3--**Dubai Horizon (Ire)**, 126, g, 6, Poet’s Voice (GB)--Chibola (Arg), by Roy. (100,000gns wnl ‘14 TATNOV) O-Godolphin; B-Mrs James Wigan (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \$30,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, 3HF.

Also Ran: Dubhe (GB), Massif Central (Ire), Spanish Mission, Gifts of Gold (Ire), Charles Kingsley (GB), Koeman (GB).

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BRITAIN

Thursday’s Results:

2nd-Newcastle, £5,300, Nov, 2-27, 3yo, 10f 42y (AWT), 2:12.66, st/sl.

PAPA POWER (GB) (c, 3, Nathaniel {Ire}--Mosqueras Romance {GB} {MSP-Eng & SP-Ger}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) made all to break through in taking fashion at Chelmsford in his second start last time Feb. 7 and delivered a repeat dose in style here. Sharpest into stride to seize an instant lead, the 8-13 pick held sway throughout and was on cruise control straightening for home to easily account for Da Vinci (Ire) (Golden Horn {GB}) by an unextended 1 1/2 lengths.



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2nd-Newcastle cont.

One of two scorers for Mosqueras Romance (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire})--who placed six times in black-type company and is herself a daughter of MSW G3 Prix de Psyche third Mosquera (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger})--the April-foaled bay is kin to Listed Spring Cup and Listed Surrey S. placegetter Rufus King (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}), a 2-year-old filly by Equiano (Fr) and a yearling filly by Silver Pond (Fr). Sales history: 190,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$10,820. **Video, sponsored by**

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O-King Power Racing Co Ltd; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB);

T-Andrew Balding.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Maori Knight (Ire), c, 3, **Camelot (GB)**--Chatham Islands, by Elusive Quality. Chelmsford City, 2-27, 8f (AWT), 1:37.96.

B-Lynn Lodge Stud (IRE). *€82,000 Ylg '18 GOFOR. **1/2 to Balty Boys (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), GSW-Eng, \$351,365.

Kayat (GB), g, 3, **Intrinsic (GB)**--Red Kyte (GB), by Hawk Wing. Chelmsford City, 2-27, 5f (AWT), 1:00.90. B-Malih L Al Basti (GB). *20,000gns Wlg '17 TATFOA.

Aleatoric (Ire), g, 4, **Dylan Thomas (Ire)**--Castalian Spring (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). Chelmsford City, 2-27, 13f 66y (AWT), 2:53.20. B-Mrs Michelle Smith (IRE). *1/2 to Snoozy Sioux (Ire) (Sleeping Indian {GB}), Ch. Female Sprinter-Bel.

IRELAND

Friday, Dundalk, post time: 7.00 p.m.**WOODFORD RESERVE PATTON S.-Listed, €75,000, 3yo, 8f (AWT)**

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER |
|----|----|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1 | 4 | Battle of Liege | War Front | Beggy | A O'Brien |
| 2 | 9 | Choice of Mine (Aus) | Redoute's Choice (Aus) | McDonogh | J O'Brien |
| 3 | 8 | Crossfirehurricane | Kitten's Joy | Crosse | J O'Brien |
| 4 | 7 | Dutch Admiral (Ire) | Dutch Art (GB) | Colgan | Farrell |
| 5 | 6 | Howling Wolf (Ire) | Footstepsinthesand (GB) | Whelan | A Mullins |
| 6 | 1 | King of Athens | War Front | Heffernan | A O'Brien |
| 7 | 5 | New World Tapestry | War Front | Hussey | A O'Brien |
| 8 | 2 | Wonder Elzaam (Ire) | Elzaam (Aus) | Keane | N Egan |
| 9 | 10 | In the Present | Karakontie (Jpn) | Foley | Harrington |
| 10 | 3 | Orchid Gardens (Ire) | Muhaarar (GB) | Cleary | Halford |

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Trainer: Aidan O'Brien

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FRANCE

Thursday's Results:

1st-Lyon La Soie, €16,000, Mdn, 2-27, 3yo, f, 10f 165y (AWT), 2:18, st.

HELIABEL (FR) (f, 3, Camelot {GB})--Martinette, by Mizzen Mast)

was steadied to track the leaders in fifth after an alert break in this debut. Easing into third when shaken up on the home turn, the 141-10 chance came under sterner urging inside the final 300 metres and was ridden out to gain the upper hand nearing the line, prevailing by 3/4-of-a-length from Bleusky (Fr) (Anodin {Ire}). From a family featuring MG1SW sire Xaar (GB) (Zafonic), she is the first of three foals for her dam and half to a 2-year-old filly by Morandi (Fr) and a yearling colt by Toronado (Ire). Sales history: €40,000 Ylg '18 AROCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1ST-TIME STARTER. O-Team Valor International; B-Hugues Rousseau (FR); T-Simone Brogi.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dexter (Fr), c, 3, Canford Cliffs (Ire)--Hideaway (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Cape Cross (Ire). Lyon La Soie, 2-27, 10f 165y (AWT), 2:16.90. B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm (FR). *€26,000 Ylg '18 AROCT.

Deacon (GB), c, 4, Dansili (GB)--Latice (Ire) (Hwt. 3yo-Fr at 9.5-11f, G1SW-Fr, SW & MGSP-US, GISP-Can, \$797,391), by Inchinor (GB). Lyon La Soie, 2-27, 12f (AWT), 2:35.50. B-George Strawbridge (GB). *1/2 to Fencing (Street Cry {Ire}), MSW & G1SP-Eng, \$210,126.

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MIDDLE EAST

Thursday's Results:

MEYDAN CLASSIC (SPONSORED BY MOHAMMED BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM CITY-DISTRICT ONE)-Listed, \$175,000, Meydan, 2-27, NH3yo & SH3yo, 1600mT, 1:35.87, gd.

1--WELL OF WISDOM (GB), 126, c, 3, by Oasis Dream (GB)

1st Dam: Alessandria (GB), by Sunday Silence

2nd Dam: Tereshkova, by Mr. Prospector

3rd Dam: Lypatia (Fr), by Lyphard

O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby; J-William Buick. \$105,000. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Fr, GSP-Ger, 8-3-2-1, \$182,667. *3/4 to Army Bulletin (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$166,717; 1/2 to Saint Baudolino (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}), MGSW & MG1SP-Fr, \$874,880; and Avilius (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), SW & GSP-Fr, MG1SW-Aus, \$1,927,794.

2--Silent Night (Swe), 121, f, 3, Night of Thunder (Ire)--

Raihaana, by Dynaformer. O-Stall Domle-Easy. \$35,000.

3--Light Blush (Ire), 121, f, 3, Kodiak (GB)--Marsh Daisy (GB), by Pivotal (GB). (435,000gns yrl '18 TATOCT) O-Godolphin.

\$17,500.

Margins: NK, HF, HF. Also Ran: Colour Image (Ire), Al Mukhtar Star, Hamama, Emirates Currency (GB), Good Fighter, I Will Not, Lost In Time (GB), First View (Ire), Raahy (GB), Youonlyliveonce (Fr). Scratched: More Caviar (Ire).

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Well of Wisdom was sharp enough to win on debut over five furlongs at Newmarket at last year's Craven meeting. Beaten 4 1/2 lengths in Royal Ascot's G2 Coventry S. at third asking, he picked up black-type when winning ParisLongchamp's Listed Prix Roland de Chambure in July before running second in both the G3 Prix de Cabourg--behind fellow Godolphin colourbearer and subsequent Group 1 scorer Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal)--and Germany's G3 Wackenhut Mercedes-Benz-Preis Zukunftsrennen.

Oasis Dream

STAKES WINNER

SIRE OF WELL OF WISDOM

WINNER Meydan Classic L., 8f, Meydan

OWNER Godolphin

BREEDER Godolphin TRAINER Charlie Appleby



Meydan Classic cont.

Making his seasonal debut in the trial for this race three weeks ago, he was never a factor when eighth while racing midpack, but he reversed his fortunes on Thursday when upped to a mile and put back on the lead, from where he had won his listed race last summer. Making the running with an advantage of a length down the backstretch and into the turn, Well of Wisdom briefly stole away in the lane as his earlier pursuers tired, and was all out to hold off late challenges from Silent Night and Light Blush. Well of Wisdom is the latest stakes winner out of Alessandria, who has also left the triple Australian Group 1 winner Avilius (GB) (Pivotal {GB}); the dual French group winner and G1 Prix du Jockey Club runner-up Saint Baudolino (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}); and the listed-winning and multiple group placed Army Bulletin (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). The winning Alessandria is out of Tereshkova (Mr. Prospector), who won the G3 Prix de Cabourg and Listed Nad Al Sheba Mile in addition to running second in the G1 Moyglare Stud S. She is a full-sister to Lycius, who won

the G1 Middle Park S. before going on to a successful career as a sire. Alessandria has a 2-year-old colt by Dubawi (Ire) and a yearling filly by Siyouni (Fr).



Well of Wisdom | DRC/Erika Rasmussen



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CURLIN H. (SPONSORED BY MOHAMMED BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM CITY-DISTRICT ONE)-Listed, \$175,000, Meydan, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2000m, 2:05.05, ft.
1--PARSIMONY, 122, c, 4, Dominus--Lil Cora Tee (SP-US, \$146,619), by Lil E. Tee. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (\$41,000 yrl '17 KEEJAN; \$85,000 yrl '17 KEESEP; \$400,000 2yo '18 OBSMAR) O-Reddam Racing LLC; B-Maria Montez Haire (PA); T-Doug O'Neill; J-William Buick. \$105,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-US, 22-2-7-3, \$305,974. *1/2 to Lovely Loyree (Cactus Ridge), MSW & MGSP-US, \$411,098.

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2--Today (Kor), 119, g, 6, Drosselmeyer--Gone Goodbye, by Gone For Real. (\$52,000 i/u '13 KEENOV) O-Ko Jeong-Su. \$35,000.
3--Ambassadorial, 132, g, 6, Elusive Quality--Tactfully (Ire), by Discreet Cat. (20,000gns HRA '19 TATFEB) O-Jane Chapple-Hyam. \$17,500.
 Margins: 2 3/4, 2 3/4, NK. Also Ran: George Villiers (Ire), Dehbashi, Great King, Tried and True, Assimilation (Ire), Red Cactus, Grand Argentier (Fr), Baengmunbaekdap, Barreesh (Ire).

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Trainer Doug O'Neill can surely count his maiden voyage to Dubai as a successful one, with two winners--both of stakes--and 13 runners in the money from 22 starts through Thursday. And there is a chance that Parsimony (Dominus) could lead him to bigger and better things after an eye-catching victory in Thursday's Listed Curlin S.



Parsimony | DRC/Erika Rasmussen

Parsimony is apparently a horse that took his accomplished trainer some time to unravel; not only did it take the grey 18 starts to break his maiden, but within his first year on the track he was tried from as short as five furlongs on the dirt to up to 1 1/8 miles on the turf.

Parsimony made a remarkable 16 starts at three last year, and O'Neill regarded the horse highly enough to try him in a pair of GI Kentucky Derby preps, the GII Rebel S. and GII Blue Grass S. Later, in the midst of seven consecutive tries on the grass midway through the year, he ran second to 2-year-old champion Game Winner (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the GII Los Alamitos Derby on the dirt. Parsimony at last broke through when dropped back down to six furlongs on the dirt at Santa Anita last October, and had stepped back up to 2000 metres for his carnival debut in a Jan. 23 handicap, where he was beaten four lengths in fourth after setting the pace. The Korean raider Today broke sharply from the four hole and Parsimony and William Buick went right with him from the five and breathed down their rival's neck through the first turn and down the backstretch. That pair broke away from the field rounding the bend and had a lead of six lengths turning into the straight. The writing appeared on the wall for Today as he came under the whip shortly thereafter, and although the chestnut stayed on gamely until the final furlong Parsimony had more in reserve. The grey swept to the lead approaching the furlong marker and pulled away under minimal urging.

"That was very pleasing," said Leandro Mora, assistant trainer to Doug O'Neill. "It was a perfect ride from William. We said when we arrived that this was the horse we hoped could be a Dubai World Cup night horse. He ran very well first time, but we knew he would improve from the run, so we came here today pretty hopeful."

Curlin and California Chrome both won this race before it carried black-type en route to their respective G1 Dubai World Cup wins. Connections of Parsimony will have the option to wheel back off a short break in next Saturday's G1 Al Maktoum Challenge R3, or roll the dice that they make the field for the main event on Mar. 28. Parsimony is by Spendthrift Farm's Smart Strike son Dominus and is the fifth foal out of the stakes placed Lil Cora Tee (Lil E. Tee). That mare's first foal was the triple listed winner and dual Grade III placed Lovely Loyree (Cactus Ridge), and she has a yearling colt by American Pharoah to come.

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8th-Meydan, \$175,000, Hcp, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1400mT, 1:22.42, gd.

VELORUM (IRE) (g, 4, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Lily's Angel {Ire} {GSW-Eng, SW & G1SP-Ire, \$509,233}, by Dark Angel {Ire}) returned from a near eight-month absence to break his maiden at Newmarket last May 17 before adding a Yarmouth conditions at long odds-on 13 days later.

Making his first start since beating just two home in the Britannia H. at Royal Ascot last June and first as a gelding, Velorum jumped only fairly and settled in midfield, two or three away from the inside and away from any trouble. Poised approaching the lane, Velorum showed a good turn of foot that carried him to the front a furlong and a half from home and kicked home strongly to score by 2 3/4 lengths from Zainhom (Street Cry {Ire}). A 230,000gns Tattersalls November foal turned 425,000gns Tattersalls Craven breezer, Velorum is out of a stakes-winning half-sister to Zurigha (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), a listed winner in England and placed in the G2 Cape Verdi S. and G2 Balanchine S. at this track. The deeper female family includes G1 Prix du Cadran hero Call The Wind (GB) (Frankel {GB}), a runner in Saturday's US\$2.5-million Longines Turf H. in Riyadh. Lily's Angel is the dam of the winning 3-year-old filly Vega's Angel (GB) (Lope de Vega {Ire}) and a 2-year-old colt by Dubawi (Ire). Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$119,372. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [VIDEO](#).**

O-Godolphin; B-Phillistown House Ltd (IRE); T-Charlie Appleby.

3rd-Meydan, \$135,000, Hcp, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2000mT, 1:59.80 (NTR), gd.

STAR SAFARI (GB) (g, 4, Sea the Stars {Ire}--Intimhir {Ire}, by Muhtathir {GB}) had run just three times over the past two seasons prior to Thursday, and he defied a 200-day layoff to win this 2000 metre turf handicap in track record time with a strong closing kick. Traveling about six lengths off the pace with just one beaten through the early stages and until the final quarter mile, Star Safari had a lot to do when they turned into the straight but he responded with gusto when moved out for running room by Mickael Barzalona.

He cut down the entire deficit between the two and the one pole despite racing greenly and won by a cozy length over Franz Kafka (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}). Star Safari's dam Intimhir is a half-sister to G1 Premio Lydia Tesio victress Sortilege (Ire) (Tiger Hill {Ire}) and G3 Prix du Prince d'Orange winner Soudania (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}). They are granddaughters of the blue hen Sacarina (GB) (Old Vic {GB}), the dam of Classic winners Schiaparelli (Ger), Samum (Ger) and Salve Regina (Ger), all by Monsun (Ger). Her legacy also includes the G1 Deutsches Derby winner and promising young sire Sea The Moon (Ger). Sales history: €200,000 yrl '17 BBASEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$89,502. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [VIDEO](#).**

O-Godolphin; B-Gestut Brummerhof (GB); T-Charlie Appleby.



Star Safari | DRC/Erika Rasmussen

7th-Meydan, \$135,000, Hcp, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:00.06, gd.

SIMSIR (IRE) (g, 4, Zoffany {Ire}--Simawa {Ire} {SP-Ire}, by Anabaa) tasted defeat for the first time when the head runner-up in a 10-furlong handicap over the Dundalk all-weather Dec. 20 ahead of a second placing in the Listed Zabeel Turf (Hcp.) in his local unveiling Jan. 16. Fifth over course and distance in a 90-105 handicap a fortnight later, Simsir broke with them here and was prominent early here before Ronan Whelan got the cover he was looking for and settled about third last down the back. Traveling ominous well into the stretch, the homebred was steered off heels to lead entering the final 300 meters and went on to defeat Dubai Icon (GB) (New Approach {Ire}) by a half-length.



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7th-Meydan cont.

A half-brother to Silwana (Ire) (Peintre Celebre), Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 14f+, SW & GSP-Ire, \$223,199; Summaya (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}), GSP-Ire; and last year's G2 Golden Fleece Juvenile S. runner-up Sinawann (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Simsir is out of a stakes-placed half-sister to G1 Epsom and Irish Derby, G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and European champion Sinndar (Ire) (Grand Lodge), Hwt. 3yo-Ire & Eng at 11-14f, MG1SW-Ire, G1SW-Eng & Fr, \$2,571,884. Simawa produced a Gleneagles (Ire) filly in 2019 after selling to Outsider BL for €210,000 at the 2018 Goffs November Sale. Lifetime Record: SP-UAE, 6-3-2-0, \$143,583. **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [VIDEO](#).**

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (IRE); T-Michael Halford.

4th-Meydan, \$135,000, Hcp, 2-27, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 1600m, 1:35.88, ft.

MOQARRAR (g, 5, Exchange Rate--Time to Enjoy, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 21-4-3-2, \$181,677. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Exchange Rate Syndicate & Millennium Farms (KY); T-Erwan Charpy. *\$47,000 wnl '15 KEENOV; 120,000gns yrl '16 TATOCT. **1/2 to Enjoy The Score (Even The Score), SW-US, \$115,189; and Happyfromthegitgo (Easyfromthegitgo), SW-US, \$188,457.

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

BAKER EYEING INTERNATIONAL DOUBLE

Trainer George Baker plundered a significant international prize a fortnight ago when his Wargrave (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) took the feature event at Switzerland's St. Moritz White Turf meeting, the Longines 81st Grosser Preis von St Moritz, and the Surrey-based trainer looks to double up with **Graignes (Fr)** (Zoffany {Ire}) in the \$1-million stc 1351 Cup at Riyadh on Saturday.

"We pulled off the first half of the February double up that mountain and I can't wait to see if we can pull off the second half in Saudi Arabia," Baker said on Thursday. "It would be beyond our wildest dreams to see him win it but I would be disappointed if he didn't run well. We went a little off-piste going to St Moritz and this is totally different again."

Graignes was beaten a nose when second in the G3 Prix Djebel last spring before finishing fourth in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains, and later in the season he ran with credit in races like

the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois and G3 Prix du Pin for trainer Yann Barberot. Graignes will be making his first start for Baker on Saturday, having been bought for €600,000 by his new connections at the Arqana Arc Sale in October.

A good showing on Saturday would pay tribute to popular young bloodstock agent **Sebastien Le Forban** who tragically died aged 35 just a month ago. Le Forban purchased Graignes as a yearling for €40,000 and pinhooked him at two for €90,000, and bought him back on behalf of the new owner at Saint-Cloud last fall.

"We bought him in Paris at the sale the night before the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and he was an exciting buy," said Baker. "He was bought by our bloodstock agent in France, Sebastien Le Forban, as a yearling and he had followed his career ever since. We had an owner who wanted a proper horse so Sebastien earmarked him as the perfect horse.

"Sadly Sebastien died in Florida last month and he had been pivotal to our success in France so this horse is very much carrying his mark and he will be doing his hardest to give us a push from above. It would be a bittersweet win for us, but also a force of nature."

Baker admitted the 1351 metre trip on Saturday could be slightly short for the horse, but said the 4-year-old's preparation is based around the G1 Prix de la Foret in October, in which he was fifth, beaten five lengths, last year.

"It looks a very tough race and the trip might just be on the sharp side as he will end up being a 1400 or even 1600-metre horse," Baker said. "We will work back from the Foret and look at all the big mile races. He will probably end up in France at some point due to the premiums and he probably is best with a bit of cut in the ground."

The Saudi Cup will be televised in the U.S. live on FOX Sports 1 at Noon ET (DIRECTV ch. 219, Dish ch.150) with the undercard airing on TVG. In the UK, it will be shown on Sky Sports Racing and Racing TV.

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SPECTATORS BANNED FROM JRA TRACKS

The Japan Racing Association (JRA) has announced that, though racing will continue to take place at its tracks, spectators will not be allowed access to racecourses from Saturday, Feb. 29 until further notice in an attempt to curb the spread of coronavirus.

As of Thursday morning, there had been seven deaths from COVID-19 in Japan. The JRA's decision follows news on Wednesday that racing in Korea has been suspended from Feb. 28 to Mar. 9.



Spectators at the Japan Cup | Getty

A statement on the JRA website reads, "In measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, the Japan Racing Association has announced that the public will not be permitted to enter JRA racecourses from Saturday, Feb. 29 until further notice. JRA races will be held without any spectators.

"In addition, there will be no sale of betting tickets and payout for winning tickets on racedays or payout on weekdays at all JRA racecourses and off-track betting facilities, including WINS, Park WINS and J-PLACE until further notice. During this time, the sale of betting tickets and payout for winning tickets will be held only via telephone or online betting."

The statement also included this message from JRA President and CEO Masayuki Goto: "This is a great inconvenience to all our racing fans who look forward to the JRA races on weekends. I humbly ask for your kind understanding and cooperation."

Racing is set to take place at three JRA racecourses over the weekend, with the G2 Nakayama Kinen and G3 Hankyu Kinen taking place on Sunday. The formal Japanese Classic trials begin the following weekend.

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The Hong Kong Jockey Club and the Dubai Racing Club have partnered to offer World Pool betting for Meydan's Mar. 7 Super Saturday card and Mar. 28 Dubai World Cup meeting.

Overseas pari-mutuel wagers placed through partners from Australia, Canada, Europe, Singapore and the U.S. will be commingled into Hong Kong's pools directly or via Premier Gateway International (PGI) during the two Dubai meetings. This will provide maximum liquidity and stronger opportunities for customers.

Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, the Hong Kong Jockey Club's chief executive officer, said, "The commingling development in Hong Kong has been an astonishing success. Last year we created a new dimension to commingling with the first global pool at Royal Ascot which enabled people around the world to make use of huge liquidity and led to a 60% increase in turnover.

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| 1 | 3 | Benbatl (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) | Murphy | bin Suroor | 126 |
| 2 | 13 | Capezzano | Bernardini | Barzalona | bin Ghadayer | 126 |
| 3 | 10 | Chrysoberyl (Jpn) | Gold Allure (Jpn) | Soumillon | Otonashi | 126 |
| 4 | 1 | Gold Dream (Jpn) | Gold Allure (Jpn) | Lemaire | Hirata | 126 |
| 5 | 11 | Great Scot (GB) | Requinto (Ire) | Morena | Mishrif | 126 |
| 6 | 5 | Gronkowski 🐎 | Lonhro (Aus) | Dettori | bin Ghadayer | 126 |
| 7 | 7 | Maximum Security | New Year's Day | Saez | Servis | 126 |
| 8 | 9 | McKinzie 🐎 | Street Sense | Rosario | Baffert | 126 |
| 9 | 14 | Mjjack (Ire) | Elzaam (Aus) | Alawfi | Al Harabi | 126 |
| 10 | 8 | Mucho Gusto | Mucho Macho Man | Ortiz, Jr. | Baffert | 126 |
| 11 | 4 | North America (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) | Mullen | Seemar | 126 |
| 12 | 2 | Tacitus | Tapit | Lezcano | Mott | 126 |
| 13 | 12 | Magic Wand (Ire) | Galileo (Ire) | Moore | O'Brien | 121 |
| 14 | 7 | Midnight Bisou 🐎 | Midnight Lute | Smith | Asmussen | 121 |
| Reserve: | | | | | | |
| 15 | | Staunch (GB) | Pivotal (GB) | No Rider | Almandeel | 126 |

Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racetrack, Saudi Arabia, post time: 5:10 p.m.

THE LONGINES TURF H., \$2,500,000, 3yo/up, 3000mT

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----------|----|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----|
| 1 | 1 | Cross Counter (GB) | Teofilo (Ire) | Buick | Appleby | 135 |
| 2 | 5 | Dee Ex Bee (GB) | Farhh (GB) | Barzalona | bin Ghadayer | 135 |
| 3 | 4 | Call The Wind (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Peslier | Head | 133 |
| 4 | 3 | Called To The Bar (Ire) | Henrythenavigator | Bachelot | Brandt | 132 |
| 5 | 2 | Prince of Arran (GB) | Shirocco (Ger) | Doyle | Fellowes | 131 |
| 6 | 8 | Twilight Payment (Ire) | Teofilo (Ire) | Lordan | O'Brien | 131 |
| 7 | 9 | Downdraft (Ire) | Camelot (GB) | Moore | O'Brien | 130 |
| 8 | 13 | King's Advice (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Fanning | Johnston | 129 |
| 9 | 10 | Mekong (GB) | Frankel (GB) | Spencer | Osbourne | 129 |
| 10 | 12 | True Self (Ire) | Oscar (Ire) | Dettori | Mullins | 128 |
| 11 | 7 | Contango (Ire) | Casamento (Ire) | Morales | Alghareeban | 119 |
| 12 | 6 | Hibou (GB) | Street Cry (Ire) | Ortiz Jr | Alabdmonim | 119 |
| 13 | 11 | Mafaaheem (Ire) | Shamardal | Al Audeeb | Alharabi | 119 |
| 14 | 14 | Dramatic Device (GB) | Dansili (GB) | Murphy | Khalid | 119 |
| Reserves | | | | | | |
| 15 | | Main Street (GB) | Street Cry (Ire) | No Rider | Alharabi | 119 |
| 16 | | Asbab (KSA) | Alnajim Althakeb (KSA) | No Rider | Almandeel | 119 |

Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racetrack, Saudi Arabia, post time: 7:50 p.m.

THE SAUDIA SPRINT, \$1,500,000, 3yo/up, 1200m

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|----|------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|-----|
| 1 | 5 | Captain Scotty | Quality Road | Saez | Miller | 126 |
| 2 | 3 | Drafted | Field Commission | Cosgrave | Watson | 126 |
| 3 | 7 | Gladiator King 🐎 | Curlin | Barzalona | Seemar | 126 |
| 4 | 10 | Imperial Hint | Imperialism | Rosario | Carvajal | 126 |

Saudia Sprint cont.

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|---------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|-----|
| 5 | 9 | Indelible Ink (Ire) | Invincible Spirit (Ire) | Morales | Alghareeban | 126 |
| 6 | 8 | Manguzi (Fr) | Planteur (Ire) | Almussa | A/A Khalid | 126 |
| 7 | 12 | Matera Sky 🦋 | Speightstown | Take | Mori | 126 |
| 8 | 1 | Maypole (GB) | Mayson (GB) | Alfouraidi | Almandeel | 126 |
| 9 | 2 | Muhtaram (GB) | Shamardal | Ospina | Alghareeban | 126 |
| 10 | 6 | New York Central 🦋 | Tapit | Ortiz Jr | Alharabi | 126 |
| 11 | 4 | Sobre Action (Arg) | Interaction (Arg) | Moreno | Wahed | 126 |
| 12 | 13 | Beau Warrior (Ire) | Declaration of War | Alanaz | Almuteb | 121 |
| 13 | 11 | Mesquite (GB) | High Chaparral (Ire) | Alfairouz | A/A Khalid | 121 |

Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racetrack, Saudi Arabia, post time: 4:00 p.m.**THE MOHAMED YOUSUF NAGHI MOTORS CUP, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 2100mT**

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|----|----------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|-----|
| 1 | 3 | For The Top (Arg) | Equal Stripes (Arg) | Barzalona | bin Ghadayer | 126 |
| 2 | 7 | Imagen de Roma (Arg) | Roman Ruler | Yanguuez | Alsubaie | 126 |
| 3 | 8 | Intellogent (Ire) | Intelto (Ger) | Boudot | Chappet | 126 |
| 4 | 1 | Mount Everest (Ire) | Galileo (Ire) | Moore | O'Brien | 126 |
| 5 | 4 | Persian Moon (Ire) | Makfi (GB) | Ortiz Jr. | Al Harabi | 126 |
| 6 | 9 | Port Lions (Ire) | Kodiac (GB) | de Vries | Nass | 126 |
| 7 | 6 | Royal Youmzain (Fr) | Youmzain | Murzabayev | Woehler | 126 |
| 8 | 5 | Trais Fluors (GB) | Dansili (GB) | Lee | Condon | 126 |
| 9 | 2 | Deirdre (Jpn) | Harbinger (GB) | Murphy | Hashida | 121 |

Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racetrack, Saudi Arabia, post time: 4:35 p.m.**THE STC 1351 CUP, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1351mT**

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|----|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|-----|
| 1 | 9 | Dark Power (Ire) | Dark Angel (Ire) | Dettori | Smith | 126 |
| 2 | 4 | Ghoul (Brz) | Put It Back | Rosario | Miller | 126 |
| 3 | 12 | Glorious Journey (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) | Buick | Appleby | 126 |
| 4 | 1 | Graignes (Fr) | Zoffany (Ire) | Cosgrave | Baker | 126 |
| 5 | 14 | King Malpic (Fr) | King's Best | Peslier | Lerner | 126 |
| 6 | 2 | Larchmont Lad (Ire) | Footstepsinthesand (GB) | Ortiz Jr | Alharabi | 126 |
| 7 | 10 | Legends of War | Scat Daddy | Bejarano | O'Neill | 126 |
| 8 | 11 | Momkin (Ire) | Bated Breath (GB) | Egan | Haggas | 126 |
| 9 | 6 | Mubtasim (Ire) | Arcano (Ire) | Doyle | Appleby | 126 |
| 10 | 8 | Sir Dancealot (Ire) | Sir Prancealot (Ire) | Moore | Elsworth | 126 |
| 11 | 3 | Speak In Colours (GB) | Excelebration (Ire) | Lordan | J O'Brien | 126 |
| 12 | 13 | Suedois (Fr) | Le Havre (Ire) | Tudhope | O'Meara | 126 |
| 13 | 7 | Holy Day (Arg) | True Cause | Yanguuez | Almadeel | 121 |
| 14 | 5 | Royal Intervention (Ire) | Exceed and Excel (Aus) | Murphy | Walker | 121 |

As my legacy, to see my sons go on and do things I wasn't able to do, it's just awesome. They're good horsemen, and they're making a difference in the business.



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Saturday, King Abdulaziz Racetrack, Saudi Arabia, post time: 7:10 p.m.

THE SAMBA SAUDI DERBY, \$800,000, 3yo, 1600m

| SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | WT |
|----|----|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------|-----|
| 1 | 13 | Bella Fever (Uru) | Texas Fever | Ortiz Jr | de Kock | 127 |
| 2 | 4 | Aan Alawaan (KSA) | Premium Tap | Boudot | Rezaig | 121 |
| 3 | 10 | Billy Batts 🦿 | City Zip | Rosario | Miller | 121 |
| 4 | 2 | Cherokee Trail | War Front | Moore | Gosden | 121 |
| 5 | 14 | Full Flat 🦿 | Speightstown | Take | Mori | 121 |
| 6 | 11 | Lake Causeway 🦿 | Creative Cause | Mullen | Seemar | 121 |
| 7 | 6 | Malafehk (KSA) | Stratford Hill | Castro | Alfarraj | 121 |
| 8 | 12 | Mishriff (Ire) | Make Believe (GB) | Egan | Gosden | 121 |
| 9 | 7 | Rajee Allah (KSA) | Official Flame | Saez | Rezaig | 121 |
| 10 | 8 | Rowdy Yates | Morning Line | Smith | Asmussen | 121 |
| 11 | 9 | Down On Da Bayou 🦿 | Super Saver | Barzalona | bin Ghadayer | 117 |
| 12 | 5 | Final Song (Ire) | Dark Angel (Ire) | Bentley | bin Suroor | 117 |
| 13 | 3 | Mor'edah (KSA) | Top Music | Moreno | Alzama | 117 |
| 14 | 1 | Tamaari (KSA) | Blue Burner | Ospina | Rezaig | 117 |

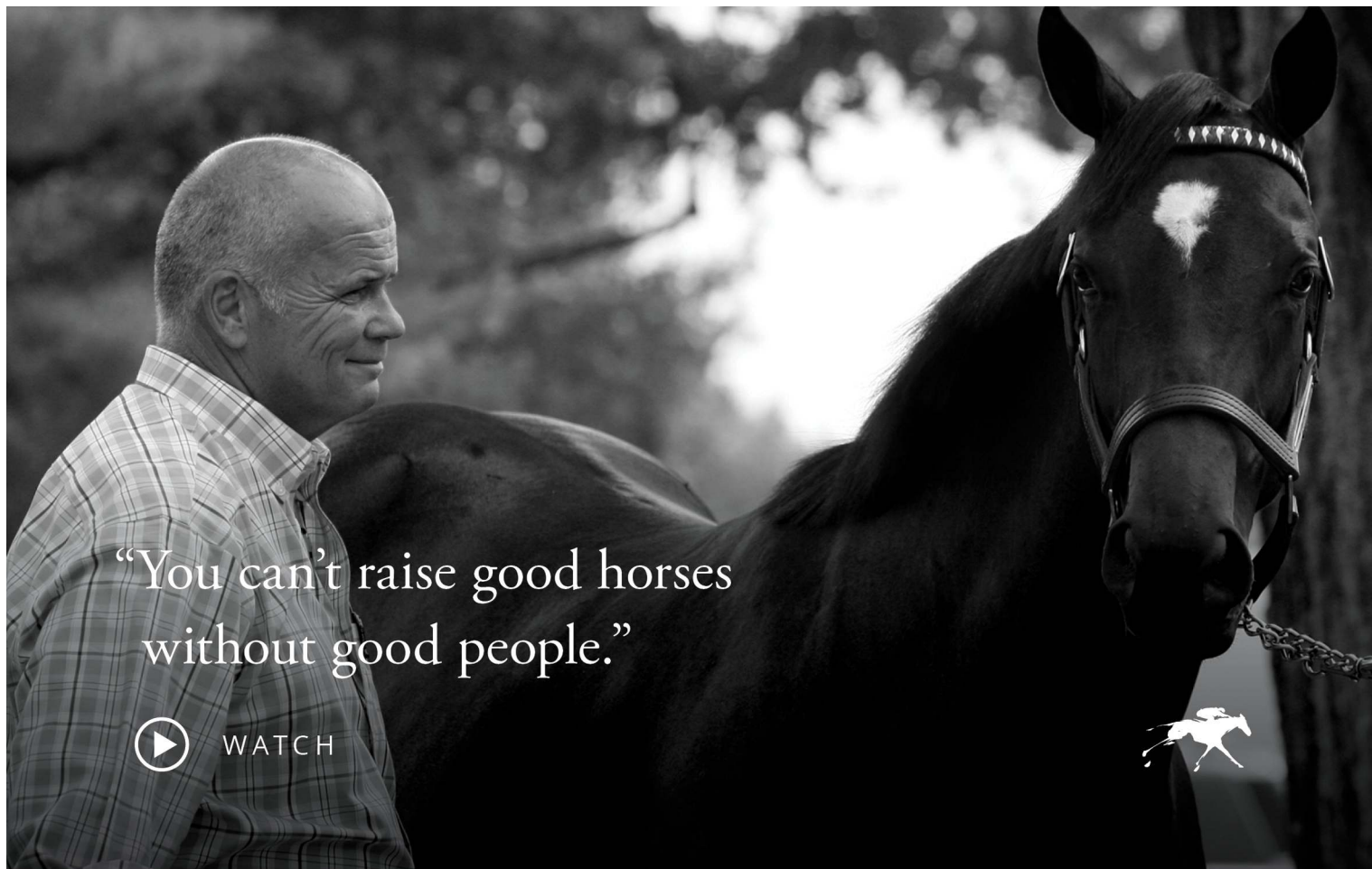
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NSW FARMS LOOK FOR SOUTHERN EXPOSURE



Bhima's Mike Fleming | Bronwen Healy

by Bren O'Brien

Some of the biggest farms from the Hunter Valley and New South Wales have returned to the Inglis Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale as vendors in 2020 in a massive endorsement of the growth of the status of the sale since the refurbishment of the Oaklands Junction complex.

Widden Stud, Yarraman Stud, Newgate, Milburn Creek, Twin Hills Stud and Segenhoe Stud are among those who have returned hoping to cash in on a buyers' bench that left money on the table last year.

Inglis Managing Director Mark Webster issued a rallying call after last year's Melbourne Premier Sale for the local breeders to throw their full weight behind the 2020 catalogue and it's clear that message was also heard north of the Murray, judging by the quality and quantity of bloodstock which has headed down the Hume Highway in the past week.

Scone-based Bhima Thoroughbreds reaped the rewards for placing faith in the Melbourne market last year, topping the sale with \$800,000 for a Brazen Beau colt, one of 14 yearlings it sold for an aggregate of over \$2.1 million and an average of over \$150,000.

Mike Fleming and his team return in 2020 with a draft of 13 and with the confidence of last year's success behind them.

"When you look at the results of last year and what they have done with this complex in terms of the auditorium, we targeted our draft into Melbourne last year," Fleming said.

"We have got a very good client down here, Bruce Wilson of Glentree Thoroughbreds, who we consign yearlings for. He's based in Victoria, so he's always got horses down here and they fitted into our draft. We've also got some other horses by proven sires and those by sires on the up in our draft."

Bhima's entry into the Melbourne market last year was timed because Fleming felt he had the right horses to offer for the buyers.

"We've always assessed the market here at Premier and we've been looking at it for a couple of years. We thought last year was the right time to step in," he said.

"We brought some horses by some nice proven sires down here and they don't necessarily need to have the VOBIS bonus on them. They sold well, both the colts and the fillies.

"We have returned this year and obviously on the strength of last year we have seen some re-appearance of some other New South Wales farms that are coming back into the market.

"It shows the strength of the industry as a whole, with the diversity of the placement of these horses and where you can put horses that suit."

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Northern Influx Bolsters Catalogue...

Those six farms named above contribute 58 of the total of 705 yearlings (accounting for withdrawals) for the entire catalogue, or over 8%. For many, it is a chance to get their own stallions in front of the buying bench.

NSW Farms Look For Southern Exposure cont.

Newgate's draft is very much influenced by its crop of freshman stallions with yearlings by Flying Artie (4) and Capitalist (3) making up the majority of its offering, while Widden presents 12 yearlings on return--four by its rising star Zoustar and three by another resident stallion in Star Witness, who has a strong profile in Victoria.

Yarraman Park's draft of seven contains one by its top sire I Am Invincible and two from the last crop of the very much in-demand Hinchinbrook.

Emerging and unproven stallions dominate Milburn Creek's draft of nine, while Twin Hills has gone for a mix in its five on offer, but all by stallions with a profile.

Segenhoe Returns Hoping For Right Mix...

Segenhoe's Peter O'Brien said vendors did need to be mindful that the lack of VOBIS attached to New South Wales-bred horses could prove a barrier and it was important to present good, strong horses by stallions which resonate with the market.



Segenhoe's Peter O'Brien | Inglis photo

"We have tried to send yearlings by proven stallions and make sure they are good animals. If they aren't a good horse and aren't by a proven horse, that lack of VOBIS can hurt you," he said.

Segenhoe has been selling horses at Melbourne Premier in recent years, but they were consigned through other vendors and it decided it was time to dip the toe back in the water under its own name in 2020.

"We've been sending horses here every year in other people's drafts and we only had a handful. Last year, we averaged \$191,000, so we thought it was high time we sold them ourselves down here," O'Brien said.

"Last year this sale, pound-for-pound, was one of the best sales in the country. That's the reason we are here."

The decision came at a cost, with Segenhoe opting not to put a draft in at the recent Inglis Classic Sale because, logistically, it couldn't handle two sales in such a short time frame.

Like Fleming, O'Brien said the effort made by Inglis to make the Oaklands Junction complex a much better place to sell horses had been a factor in the decision to prefer Premier over Classic.

"People might think it's a simple thing, but the refurbishing of the complex and having those tables and everything, there is a much better atmosphere and it lifts the atmosphere in the sales ring," he said.

Draft Ready For Market...

Segenhoe's draft is highly influenced by horses bred by Sheikh Mohammed Bin Khalifa Al Maktoum, with four of them in its 10-strong draft, and four of the draft by young stallions which raced for Sheikh Khalifa, in Pride Of Dubai (3) and Sooboog (1).

"It's hard to split them but the two Pride Of Dubais, **Lot 165**, out of Fitna, is a stunning filly and Fitna's 2-year old (Avenue Of Pleasure) is stakes placed," he said.

"The **Pride Of Dubai colt out of Slippery Rose**, he reminds me so much of Pride Of Dubai as a yearling, who we had. He's a really fast early type.

"The filly that everybody thinks is one of the best in the Sale is the Sooboog out of Bella Sunday (**Lot 50**). She's obviously a half to Oohood from the family of Not A Single Doubt."



Lot 50 | Inglis photo

Sentiment Strong, But With Some Questions...

Thursday may have only been the third of five days of inspections, but the feeling O'Brien has got from his return to Melbourne in that the sale, which starts on Sunday, is set to be very positive for vendors. **Cont. p3**

NSW Farms/Southern Exposure cont.

"Speaking to buyers and agents, the consensus is the quality of horse is better, so you would assume the average would increase. I've been really pleasantly surprised by the level of interest, and the amount of people. It's a very optimistic vibe around the sales ground," he said.

Fleming also sees plenty of positives around the sales ground, although with half a mind on how global events may shape the market at the sale.

"Looking at the market over the past four or five years, there has always been a big presence from Asian buyers and Hong Kong buyers here. Obviously, with the current state of what is going on in the world with Coronavirus and those kinds of things. It will be interesting to see how that affects things," he said.

"But anywhere where you take a nice horse that suits the market, you get a result. The results so far, starting off at Magics and even the growth and strength in New Zealand and at Classic, then flowing through to Perth and Tasmania, everywhere has been up and everywhere has been positive. Australian racing is very positive with the level of prizemoney on offer."

**IN SOUTH AFRICA:**

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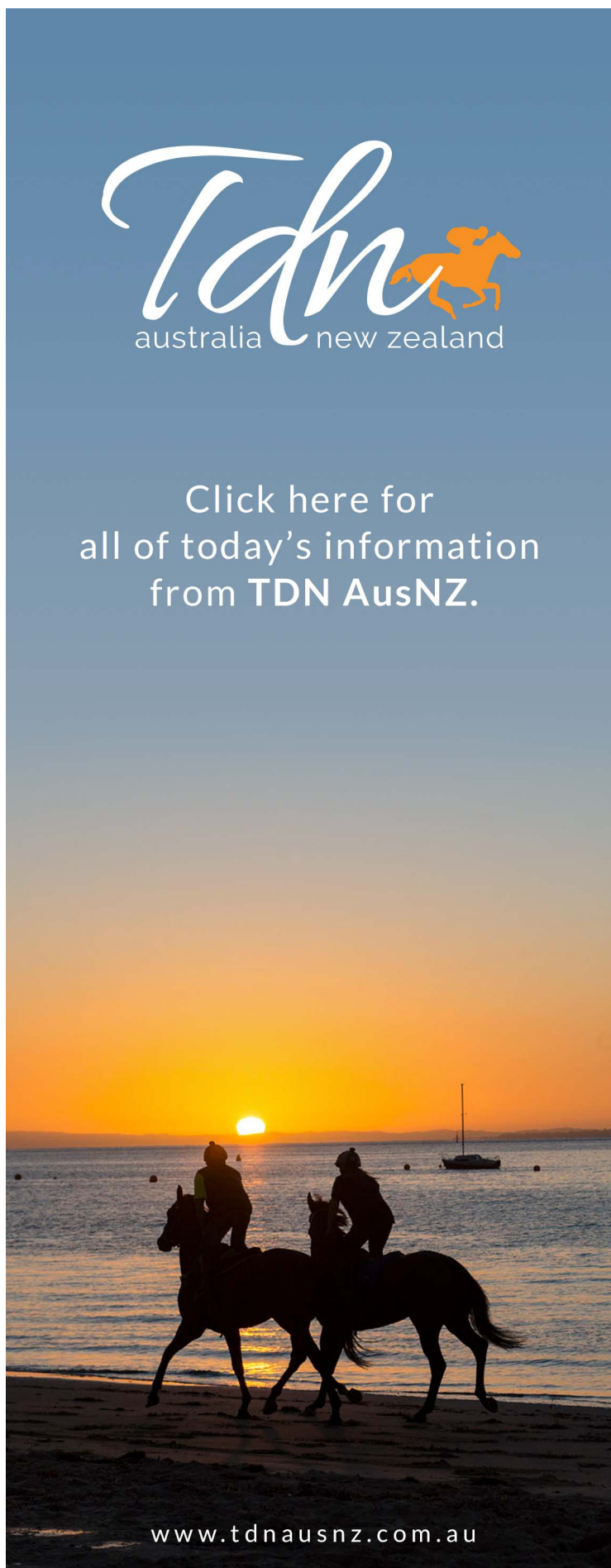
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