



IF NOT THIS TIME, WHEN?



Not This Time | Taylor Made photo

by Chris McGrath

Not his time yet, surely. Can't be. A son of two-turn titan Giant's Causeway; a half-brother to late-blooming Liam's Map (Unbridled's Song). Yet there it is, in black and white: three starters, two winners. Hopeful Princess hurtling just 4 1/2 furlongs at Churchill last week; and Swaggy George at Gulfstream the next day, circling the field into the stretch and sprinting four lengths clear.

So while these remain the very earliest of days, **Not This Time** could not have made a more auspicious start to his stud career.

On the one hand, we should all resist complicity in the annual hype around freshman sires. Stallions trying to establish their merit tend to get far too much attention, to start with; and then not enough. But it must be said that Not This Time must be a stallion of unusual promise if can so quickly shrug off the burden of consecutive awards of gold, among his intake, on the "value podium" in our mid-winter stallion survey. Especially as a son of Giant's Causeway would have been readily pardoned a much more diffident start with his first runners.

As it is, these flashes of precocity remind us that Not This Time, confined to a track career spanning barely four months, only earned his chance at Taylor Made Stallions by proving himself top-class at two; and also that his genes contain a ton of old-school Florida dash.

TOP SOPHOMORE NADAL RETIRED DUE TO CONDYLAR FRACTURE

Unbeaten superstar sophomore and 'TDN Rising Star' Nadal (Blame) exited a breeze Thursday morning with a condylar fracture and has been retired. The Bob Baffert trainee was credited with a four-furlong drill in :48.80 (7/45) (XBTV Video) at his Santa Anita home base before X-rays revealed the injury and he underwent surgery, requiring two screws.

"I always say to get my trophies--and I have three Eclipse Awards and one Cartier--you have to get massive scars along the way," co-owner George Bolton told the *TDN*. "You have to understand days like this will happen. This is a very sad day. It's very hard to get these kinds of horses."

Bolton said the surgery went well and that the injury could have been much more severe if it hadn't been caught when it was. **Cont. p7**

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May 6, 2017. Darren Nagle (black cap) aboard Grand Manan (Giant's Causeway) congratulates Gustav Dahl (yellow cap), winner of the 2017 Virginia Gold Cup Stakes with Ebanour (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}). This photo is part of the TDN's ongoing Behind the Lens series. | Tod Marks

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In fact, his pedigree is one of those that balances Classic caliber on top with speed--class speed, mark you--through the bottom half. How often matings strive for some such equilibrium; how seldom does the best of both worlds play out in a speed-carrying racehorse.

The first thing that leaps out from Not This Time's pedigree is the replication of the Hall of Fame sprinter Ta Wee--a half-sister, of course, to another icon in Dr. Fager--behind his second dam Yada Yada. Though she showed scant ability in a light career, Yada Yada was by a son of Ta Wee in Great Above; and her dam was out of Ta Wee's daughter by Secretariat.

Yada Yada was largely bred to forgettable stallions, but her

mating with the brisk Trippi produced much her most accomplished foal in Miss Macy Sue. Picked up at OBS June in 2005 for just \$42,000, Miss Macy Sue can be found among past winners of the GIII Winning Colors S., renewed at Churchill May 30; she broke the Presque Isle track record in 1:08.21 on her synthetics debut; and placed in the inaugural Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint. On her retirement, Dennis Albaugh bought out his racing partner and decided to give her every chance by paying a series of purposeful cover fees.

Her second foal, a colt by Unbridled's Song, made \$800,000 at Keeneland September. His purchasers had to wait two years to see Liam's Map win a maiden, but he then got rolling and at four, finished up with consecutive Grade Is in the Woodward S. and Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. That same year, when asked if Miss Macy Sue's yearling by Giant's Causeway would also be offered for sale, Albaugh and his son-in-law Jason Loutsch, general manager of Albaugh Family Stable, were so emphatic in their reply that they preserved it in his registration. Not This Time.

Dale Romans soon assured them they had done the right thing.

"From day one, he was just natural," the trainer recalls. "He had perfect conformation and he just had an air about him. I've been around a lot of really good horses. They look different, they think different, they act different. He was one of those. You just knew there was something special there, that you were around greatness. He had pedigree, he had looks, he had intelligence, he had natural ability. He had everything a top racehorse should have."

When giving Not This Time his debut, in a Churchill sprint maiden, Romans informed Robby Albarado that he was legging him up on as good a horse as he had ever ridden. In the event, Not This Time dozed at the break and made late ground into

fifth. Romans was unconcerned.

"It's not my forte to crank them up first time out anyway," he says. "But he had a bad break, a rough trip, it was just a juvenile thing. We didn't lose any faith and when he broke his spectacular. And the same when went on the next year to run

maiden at Ellis Park next time, by 10 lengths, he was he won the [GIII] Iroquois S. from a very good horse [Lookin At Lee (Lookin At Lucky)], who second in the Derby from the one hole." In the meantime,

unfortunately, Not This Time had emerged from his only subsequent start, in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, with a career-ending soft-tissue injury. Drawn wide and bumped early, he had closed to within a neck of Classic Empire (Pioneerof the Nile), who had first run, the pair a city block ahead of Practical Joke (Into Mischief) in third.

Classic Empire was duly awarded the divisional title but Romans is adamant. He doesn't need to revisit the mitigations of that day: the tougher trip, the injury, the top Beyer and Ragozin of any juvenile colt that year. Cont. p4



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"I think he wasn't just the best horse in the crop, I think he was the best horse in a long time," he says. "He was just flawless, I'm telling you, a true superstar. He had such a great turn of foot, and I never saw him tired. I don't know how good he could have been."

The silver lining was that at least an immediate call had been possible on his future. Had it been a marginal case, and Not This Time had tried and failed to resume at three, he would have been much harder to launch one year on. As it was, he was set a highly workable \$15,000 fee. (Quite a contrast, given his exemplary physique and family tree, with the rivals who shared the podium at the Breeders' Cup--who would start their own stud careers at \$35,000 and \$30,000 respectively.)

ITIEN' JET SENTIENT

Not This Time just misses in the Juvenile Breeders' Cup/Eclipse Sportswire

"That was as devastating a call as we've had in this business," Loutsch says, recalling the day Romans rang about the injury. "The horse had shown so much talent already and we really thought he could have a huge Classic year. But yes, at least he was fresh in people's minds. He's such a great-looking horse and, with that pedigree, we thought he would be well-received in the breeding shed. We priced him to give breeders every

opportunity.

"But I give a lot of credit to Taylor Made. We think an awful lot of the Taylor family and we've long had a great partnership. My first call, when Miss Macy Sue retired, was whether they would take this mare, which they were excited to do. And they've done a tremendous job getting quality mares to Not This Time. To think that this is his fourth year, always the toughest for a stallion, yet once again he's close to 140 mares. So that's a real testament to Taylor Made-

-but also to Not This Time. Because when they bring him out of the barn, he is just an unbelievable horse to look at."





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In his meteoric career, as brief as it was bright, Not This Time managed to establish himself as probably the most accomplished juvenile by his sire--whose death, since, has intensified the competition among his North American sons to match the stature of Shamardal in Europe. Not This Time covered 145 mares in his first spring; and his second book featured a quite remarkable coup, in the blue hen Leslie's Lady (Tricky Creek). With an aggregate 500 covers now under his belt, he has the necessary reserves to follow through any momentum he can achieve this year--not least because these immediate sparks of precocity, in however limited a sample, are surely just firing the ignition for a much longer journey.

For one thing, memories of Giant's Causeway himself have been clouded by his Classic profile as a sire. He was an unbeaten Group 1 winner at two who won a sprint maiden on debut by seven lengths. Liam's Map, for his part, last year produced two Grade I winners from his first crop of runners. And then there is this John Nerud--Tartan Farms bedrock behind Miss Macy Sue.



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Ta Wee only produced five named foals, and two of them, as already noted, are right behind Yada Yada. Dr Fager's sire Rough'n Tumble, moreover, gets a stake in this family as grandsire (through Minnesota Mac) of Ta Wee's son/Yada Yada's sire Great Above. The daughter of Ta Wee who produced Yada Yada's dam (by Dr Fager's rival Damascus), meanwhile, was a stakes winner by Secretariat--who recurs in the top of Not This Time's pedigree as sire of Terlingua (whose son Storm Cat of course sired Giant's Causeway).

As Duncan Taylor of Taylor Made notes, then, Not This Time is absolutely entitled to produce fast and early horses as well as maturing animals that carry their speed into a second turn.

"His [half-]brother Liam's Map wasn't as early," Taylor accepts.
"But I think that was more because Todd [Pletcher] had by then had enough Unbridled's Songs to know they were on the

unsound side, and he just wanted to give that horse plenty of time to mature before he really put the pressure on."

The Taylors, of course, stood Unbridled's Song for 17 years. The ferrous qualities of Giant's Causeway could hardly be in more celebrated contrast. And Taylor says that while Miss Macy Sue herself showed all the speed in her ancestry, physically she can complement the Classic imprint of Giant's Causeway.

"She's 16hh, very well balanced, with a really pretty head," he says. "She's just a very classy mare, you can't knock her: correct, with plenty of substance. And you know, there's scope to her. She looks like she could run two turns. Not a mile-and-a-half-but a mile, mile-and-eighth, without any trouble. Not This Time definitely has a two-turn look. He has the same color as Storm Cat but is not typical of him. He has the muscle, but more scope. Where Storm Cat had a Mike Tyson kind of build, really powerful all over and strong, Not This Time would be more of a Jordan type of athlete."

Taylor acknowledges that it's far too soon for any conclusions, but noted the coincidence that both Not This Time's first winners had a second dam by Meadowlake, whose own grand-dam was a half-sister to Hail To Reason. **Cont. p6**

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Jason Loutsch (left) and Dennis Albaugh | Keeneland photo

"And Not This Time has a cross to Hail To Reason through Roberto," he says, referencing the sire of Giant's Causeway's grand-dam. "I don't know if that's something you'll see more of, or not, but I found it interesting."

The other he highlighted by Taylor traces to the days when Unbridled's Song was on the farm. They would analyze six-generation pedigrees to determine which ancestors recurred in his most proficient runners, and the name that figured most prominently was In Reality--who was responsible for the granddam of his sire Unbridled.

She was out of Magic, an unraced half-sister by Buckpasser to Ta Wee and Dr. Fager. And Dr. Fager himself sired the dam of Unbridled's sire Fappiano.

Aspidistra--the great dam of Dr. Fager, Ta Wee and Magic--duly pegs down Unbridled's page top and bottom. One way or another, then, there is plenty of mutual reinforcement available between Unbridled and Not This Time.

"There's a lot of Unbridled and Fappiano blood out there and while I wouldn't want to state that Not This Time is going to cross good with that, I think he very well could--just because Unbridled's Song crossed so good on the mother [to produce Liam's Map]," Taylor remarks. "If you look at the bottom side of Not This Time, he's got a couple of crosses of In Reality's sire Intentionally."

Those come through Intentionally's daughter Ta Wee; but In Reality himself also has a tenuous foothold, in fact, as his son Valid Appeal sired the dam of Trippi (Miss Macy Sue's sire). It might also be worth noting that In Reality was out of a daughter of Dr Fager's sire Rough'n Tumble.

However all these strands play out, the starting point remains the heritable attributes of Not This Time himself. Romans, for one, is not at all surprised to see his first runners flash so much dash. Having just welcomed the first of several Not This Times to his barn, moreover, he expects all trainers to appreciate another of their sire's traits: an amenable mentality.

"To be a super horse, you need to have speed at any distance," he remarks. "It's just how far you can carry it. So I'm not shocked they're winning this early, but I do think the best is still to come. I've seen a lot of his babies, and it's amazing how they're cookie-cut like him. The filly that won at Churchill, John Hancock's been saying all winter what a great mind she has. You could see that mental toughness in her race. I thought the horse in Florida looked pretty special too. Didn't break good, but that turn of foot he showed, going round those horses on the turn."

For the Albaugh family, the rookie's flying start is the perfect tonic after Dennis' Moment (Tiznow), who emulated Not This Time by adding the Iroquois to a stunning Ellis maiden success, has so disappointed since. Another talented sophomore, Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile) has also been given a break after losing his unbeaten record in the GII San Felipe S.

"Thousand Words had his first work back last weekend," Loutsch reports. "Bob [Baffert] gave him four weeks off and he's put on 50-60 pounds. He has all the talent in the world, we're just trying to get his mind right. Dennis will hopefully be shipping to Churchill soon, there's nothing major wrong with him, we'll just keep monitoring him."

Now, at any rate, they have a fresh stimulation--with plenty more to come. They did cash in Miss Macy Sue's 2017 Tapit filly, for \$1.4 million at Keeneland September to Don Alberto, and she broke her maiden for Dan Ward at Santa Anita over the winter. But the "not-this-time" policy continues with her sons.

"After selling Liam's Map, we said we'd pretty much keep all the colts," Loutsch says. "Our family plan is to try and get horses for the big races, and we've tried to breed Miss Macy Sue to the best stallions in the world. We owe all our racing to her: she got us in the game, as one of the first we ever bought; she got us hooked; and she took us to the next level. And she's continued to produce for us."

Actually, she missed the last cycle; but she is in foal to American Pharoah, and has an Uncle Mo colt training on the farm in Ocala, plus a weanling colt by Medaglia d'Oro.

Not This Time, meanwhile, is showing a useful flair for self-promotion. Getting Leslie's Lady into his harem was a genuine coup; and these instant dividends on the track should help redress the opportunities he forfeited out there himself.

"I just wish we could have seen him run in those big races as a 3-year-old," Loutsch says. "But now we can hope that those babies will show all the talent he had. He's got off to an exciting start and we think there will only be more to come as his horses mature. Giant's Causeway was such an awesome horse, one of my favorites growing up, so how cool it would be if he could follow in his father's footsteps.



Tapit half-sister to Not This Time and Liam's Map | Keeneland

"This is a tough business, especially with what's going on right now," Loutsch continues. "But we have a great team, and it's fun every day to be waking up and looking out for those Not This Time babies. We obviously thought an awful lot of him as a 2-year-old, and his mother was very precocious, so it's not surprising to us to see him get success right out the gate. But I can't wait to see them stretch out into two turns. To get these winners is just an indication of how talented he was. I think he'll be able to throw any kind of horse. I think they'll run on every surface. Dirt, turf, synthetic. Short, long. I think he can do it all."

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A \$65,000 KEESEP yearling turned \$700,000 Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream juvenile purchase by Kerri Radcliffe off a :10 flat breeze, the bay colt is owned by Bolton, Arthur Hoyeau, Barry Lipman and Mark Mathiesen. A debut winner in Arcadia Jan. 19, he added a sprint score in the GII San Vicente S. Feb. 9 before stretching out effectively while surviving a hot early pace in the GII Rebel S. at Oaklawn Mar. 14. Nadal was last seen winning the faster division of the GI Arkansas Derby May 2--stablemate Charlatan (Speightstown) won the other division. He was expected to compete next in the GI Belmont S. June 20.

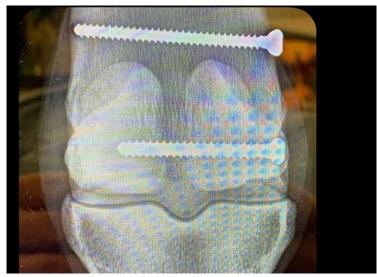


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"It would have been really fun to see him against Tiz the Law (Constitution) in the Belmont," Bolton said. "I think both are really goods horses. It was going to be like Green Bay vs. New England. That's the sad part. When a horse gets hurt you wind up getting a bill and no more fun. We thought this was going to be a really exciting summer ahead."

Nadal hails from the extended female family of champion Pleasant Stage and Grade I winners Marsh Side, Changeintheweather, A Phenomenon and Seattle Meteor.

"He's going to have a great career at stud," Bolton said. "He took a second to wind up. Coming out of the gate, he wasn't a little bottle rocket. Once he got going three or four strides later, he was a :21, :43 horse. That's what the breeders want. His resume includes the San Felipe and the Arkansas Derby, two great stallion-maker races."



Nadal's post-surgery X-ray | Courtesy George Bolton

Nadal cont.

Bolton said that the phone had been "ringing off the hook" from stud farms calling to secure Nadal's breeding rights, adding, "Spendthrift [Farm] is in the pole position."

The Nadal news comes just days after reports that two Baffert trainees from that May 2 Oaklawn card--believed to be Charlatan and allowance winner Gamine (Into Mischief)--tested positive for an illegal substance.

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DEL MAR TO OPEN A WEEK EARLY, MOSTLY THREE-DAY RACING WEEKS PLANNED



Del Mar | Horsephotos

Officials at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club announced that the track will conduct racing on a Friday-Saturday-Sunday schedule through the entire summer and have pushed forward opening day from July 18 to July 10. The track will close with a four-day week ending on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7. The schedule is pending the approval of the California Horse Racing Board at its June 11 meeting.

"We're coming back and we're going to put on the most unique show in Del Mar history," said Del Mar's CEO Joe Harper. "It's going to look different, it's going to feel different, but it's going to be first-class horse racing at Del Mar and in these unusual times that's something to look forward to."

Del Mar has announced that it will follow guidelines issued by San Diego County public health officials and are 'prepared' to operate without spectators while adopting any procedural changes as necessary. Del Mar is committed to following similar COVID-19 protocols that have enabled racing to be conducted safely in California and throughout the country.

The track will host 10-race cards on Fridays and Sundays and 11 races on Saturdays. Opening day is scheduled to include 11 live races, while the Labor Day program will offer 10 races.

Barring any changes, a total of 291 races will be carded over the course of nine weeks. The track carded 297 races in 2019.

"We want to begin the meet earlier and offer horsemen the same number of opportunities to run as we have for the last several summer seasons," said Tom Robbins, DMTC's executive vice president of racing. "We've had inquiries from new trainers from across the country who are interested in sending horses to Del Mar, which is encouraging. And because the San Diego Fair was cancelled this year, our track maintenance team will be preparing our racing surfaces earlier and we'll be able to have horses on-site sooner than in the past. It will be a little different, but we're confident we can present the same high caliber racing that fans, owners and trainers have come to expect."

Santa Anita, which reopened to spectator-free racing Friday, May 15, will continue to race through June 21. Los Alamitos will offer racing between June 26 and July 5.

Del Mar anticipates running its traditional stakes schedule with some adjustments. The schedule will be announced Friday, May 29.

First post daily will be 2 p.m. PDT.

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LAUREL 28-DATE SUMMER MEET APPROVED TO START SATURDAY

by T.D. Thornton

The Laurel Park summer race meet is a go, starting Saturday.

A 28-date schedule was approved by a unanimous teleconference vote of the Maryland Racing Commission (MRC) at its Thursday meeting.

After an initial Saturday-through-Monday, three-date opening spanning May 30-June 1, Fridays and Saturdays will be the primary live racing dates through Aug. 22 (a Monday, June 8, program is also scheduled, according to the Laurel calendar).

Alan Rifkin, an attorney for the Maryland Jockey Club (MJC), which owns Laurel, explained to the commission the rationale behind scaling back to just two days of racing per week.

"Because the casinos are still closed at the moment, the purse accounts have to be considered in determining the number of race days and when [they are]," Rifkin said. "We want to take it slowly at first to see what [funds] we have and how to best proceed."

The race meet will be conducted without spectators, at least so long as a state executive order remains in place barring crowd gatherings as part of COVID-19 health precautions.

Referencing the Oct. 3 GI Preakness S., Sal Sinatra, the MJC's president, told the commission that "hopefully by October we can have some fans at the races."

LIMITED MORNING OWNERS' VIEWING AT SANTA ANITA

According to a release from the Thoroughbred Owners of California, Santa Anita will allow a limited number of CHRB-licensed owners to attend morning workouts at the track. Because attendance will be capped in line with county COVID-19 protocols, owners must work with their trainers to reserve space on a first-come, first-served basis.

The area has been established in the clubhouse section of the grandstand overlooking the far turn and will contain tables and chairs spaced appropriately to conform with social distancing constructs. There will also be coffee service available. The area and restrooms will be cleaned and disinfected regularly.

According to the TOC release, owners must enter through Gate 8 off Baldwin Avenue and park in the clubhouse valet. They will enter through the clubhouse gate, where they will be met and checked in by an attendant and show photo ID. Each person must pass a temperature check and be fully compliant with a face cloth covering their nose and mouth to receive an access sticker and enter the clubhouse. Signs will be posted throughout the area directing people where to go and to remind everyone to remain socially distant.

According to the TOC release, owners and their guests must stay in the assigned Clubhouse area only and are not allowed west of the tunnel that connects the walking ring to the racetrack. Owners will not have access to the grandstand apron or Clockers' Corner. This policy is designed to minimize exposure to anyone from the backstretch/stable area.

Santa Anita re-opened to spectator-free racing May 15.

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FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC 2YO CATALOG ONLINE

A total of 550 juveniles have been catalogued for the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2-Year-Olds In Training Sale, scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, June 29 and 30, at the Maryland State Fairgrounds at Timonium. Both sessions will begin at 11 a.m. ET. The online catalogue may be viewed here. Print catalogues will be available beginning June 8.

Under-tack shows will take place Wednesday through Friday, June 24-26 and will kick off at 8 a.m. ET.

"Midlantic 2-Year-Olds in Training has produced more Grade I winners than any other U.S. 2-year-old sale in the last 17 months," said Midlantic Sales Director Paget Bennett. "Eight individual Grade I winners are featured on this year's catalogue cover, a testament to the type of quality offered at this sale year-in and year-out. We have another strong catalogue to present to buyers in 2020."

Among those top-level winners featured on this year's cover are GI Belmont Oaks heroine Concrete Rose (Twirling Candy), GI Fourstardave and GI Matriarch winner and GI Breeders' Cup Mile runner-up Got Stormy (Get Stormy), GI Pegasus World Cup victor Mucho Gusto (Mucho Macho Man) and Spun to Run (Hard Spun), upset winner of last year's GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.

"Leaders of just about every division of North American racing are featured on this year's cover," said Bennett. "Their careers were all launched over Timonium's consistent dirt racetrack, a surface in which buyers have tremendous confidence."



The sales ring in Timonium | Fasig-Tipton photo

The Midlantic Sale will usher in a new wrinkle as it will be the first to make use of Fasig-Tipton's new online bidding platform, which will be made available to buyers at all future auctions. There will also be increased capacity for phone bidding. Fasig-Tipton is also introducing a new cloud-based repository system. The Asteris Keystone Repository allows veterinarians to review radiographs remotely instead of needing to do so on the sales grounds.

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INDUSTRY GROUPS SUBMIT BRIEFS IN SUPPORT OF LASIX BAN



Racing Post Photo

by Bill Finley

The Jockey Club, the Breeders' Cup and the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association have filed Amicus Curiae briefs supporting the rights of Churchill Downs and Keeneland to prohibit Lasix in races for 2-year-olds. The two Kentucky tracks are being sued by the Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, which is seeking a temporary injunction that would stop the tracks from instituting so-called house rules that cover the Lasix ban. The three groups have asked the court to deny the injunction.

The news of the filing of the briefs by the industry groups was first reported by the *Blood-Horse*.

On Tuesday, a hearing regarding the Lasix matter was held before Franklin Circuit Judge Thomas Wingate. Wingate said he would have a ruling shortly.

Four Lasix-free races for 2-year-olds have already been run so far at Churchill. Keeneland has been approved to run a summer meet from July 8 to 12 and may have some 2-year-old races during the five days of racing. Both tracks are also set to eliminate the use of Lasix in stakes races in 2021.

"The United States is the only major racing jurisdiction within the world that continues to permit the use of furosemide on race day," read the Breeders' Cup's brief. "Fortunately, other major racing jurisdictions within the United States have taken proactive measures to eliminate the use of furosemide on race day, including California, Florida, and New York (in Florida and New York solely through actions by the tracks). Breeders' Cup anticipates that many other States will also shortly participate in this initiative as the leading racing associations announced in April of 2019 the commitment to prohibit the use of furosemide in 2020 in two-year-old races. If Kentucky wants to remain a

leader in thoroughbred racing, Kentucky must unite to protect our horses, protect the sport, and protect most of the racing and breeding operations in the United States. Keeneland and Churchill certainly have the legal right to take such action."

The KTA brief contended that the HBPA does not speak for the racing industry and went on to say that denying the temporary injunction "will promote the integrity ans safety of the horseracing industy and allow members of the KTA and the KHPBA alike to race their horses on equal competitive terms."

The Jockey Club made many of the same points, arguing that "Thoroughbred horses compete Lasix-free in every major racing country around the world (including England, Ireland, France, Hong Kong, Australia, Japan) without harm to the horses, their connections, or the integrity of racing."

According to the *Blood-Horse* report, Wednesday's hearing focused on 2015 regulations enacted by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, which was also named in the HBPA's suit, that permitted the tracks to decide whether or not to allow Lasix. Then Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway issued an opinion that a regulation that permitted tracks to ban Lasix "was an invalid and illegal delegation of the KHRC's authority to private actors."

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission has approved a plan that calls for phasing out Lasix, but the new rules have not undergone all the steps that must take place before the regulations can become part of Kentucky's state code. Because the KHRC's rules have yet to go into effect, it was left to tracks to take steps to ban Lasix in 2-year-old races.

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POINTS-BASED WHIP VIOLATION RULES ON THE WAY FOR MID-ATLANTIC TRACKS

by T.D. Thornton

A unified set of whipping regulations is in the pipeline for the mid-Atlantic region jockeys, and the plan could be announced by early June with the goal of rolling out the new rules as tracks start to reopen from COVID-19 closures.

"We are very actively working on finalizing a riding crop policy--rule if you want to call it [that]--for the mid-Atlantic region that will bring a consensus to the region on the use of the crop," Alan Foreman, the chairman and chief executive officer of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, said at Thursday's Maryland Racing Commission meeting as part of an update on policy changes.

"There's been a lot of discussion and a lot of proposals about the use of the crop over the past year. We're bringing that to a head in the mid-Atlantic. We have created, for the first time, a penalty system to ensure that the rule is adhered to," Foreman said. Cont. p11

Whip Rules cont.

"What I think will be approved is a points system that will be very similar to the Multiple Medication Violation points system that is used for trainers for medication violations," Foreman said, adding that the new guidelines will "incentivize compliance with the rule, [promote] better riding, and identify those riders whose attention we need to get with regards to use of the crop.

"I think that's going to be a very positive step," Foreman continued. "We believe we may even have that recommendation done within the next week. We'd like to get it started with a grace period for the riders to comply with the rule as racing is rolled out throughout the region," Foreman said.

Terence Meyocks, the president and chief executive officer of the Jockeys' Guild, replied to a *TDN* request for comment by emailing that he was in a meeting and would not be able to speak in time for deadline for this story.

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The campaign has been designed to highlight the bond between human and horses, with an additional emphasis on the betting aspect of the game that directs people to a new landing spot on the America's Best Racing website. That area features fan education materials, wagering basics and links to the various advance-deposit wagering platforms.

"With racing returning to major circuits and the addition of many hours of live programming on FOX Sports and NBC Sports, there is now a unique opportunity to appeal to new fans and ask them to sample Thoroughbred racing," said Jim Gagliano, President & COO of The Jockey Club. "Our goal is to increase awareness of racing as an option for these potential customers, engage with them, and provide the initial tools for them to learn more and break down barriers to participation. We are grateful to NTRA, TVG, KTA, and TOBA for supporting our efforts to promote racing and look forward to working with others to grow the campaign."

Added NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop: "On behalf of our member tracks and horsemen's organizations, we are happy to support this collaborative effort, especially during this unique window of opportunity."

The campaign was launched May 28 and will run on NBC Sports and FOX Sports and other targeted digital and social channels. It was developed by CTP, the Boston-based firm which has served as the Breeders' Cup's long-time advertising agency.

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Breeders' Cup in conjunction with The Jockey Club are launching a new national advertising campaign called 'Still. Running. Strong." to promote Thoroughbred racing as spectatorfree racing resumes in various markets around the country during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"As more of our major venues get back to live racing and with people at home seeking diversion and entertainment, we wanted to be proactive about promoting the sport to a broader audience," said Drew Fleming, President and CEO of the Breeders' Cup. "Horse racing has a unique opportunity to lead the way as we resume operations safely and, in doing so, provide fun and excitement for millions of sports fans and bettors across the country."

Additional funding for the campaign was provided by the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA); TVG, an affiliate of the FanDuel Group; the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association (KTA); and the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA).

BROWN BREEZES PAIR AHEAD OF BELMONT TURF ENGAGEMENTS

Trainer Chad Brown was trackside at Belmont Park Thursday morning to oversee turf workouts for a pair of top-class distaffers.

Working in company were eFive Racing's **Rushing Fall** (More Than Ready) and Peter Brant's **Fifty Five** (Get Stormy), who were each clocked a half-mile in a leisurely :50.48. The conditioner said that both mares would make an appearance on the much-anticipated opening day of the Belmont spring/summer meeting next Wednesday, June 3.

They both worked fine and will be entered for the [GIII] Beaugay [S.]," Brown told the NYRA notes team.

Klaravich Stables' **Newspaperofrecord (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}) is also set to make her 4-year-old debut in the GIII Intercontinental S. over seven furlongs June 6. Unbeaten in three starts as a juvenile, including the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies' Turf, the bay filly was winless in three tries and was slightly disappointing at three, but is primed for a big campaign, Brown believes.

Brown cont.

"She seems pretty settled to me in her works and I'm real excited to get her career resumed. I'm going to try to keep her [at distances] only up to a mile," said Brown. "Based on the way she's training, and if she stays healthy, she should have a really good year."

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is its impact on our global competitiveness. In a *TDN* story published Sept. 6, 2019, The Jockey Club President James Gagliano was quoted as saying "We cannot predict the economic effects of a limitation because of the complexity of the interactions among participants in the

breeding and selling markets."

make the economics work

of this landscape-changing decision, not the least of which

without the inflow of diverse bloodlines, I have serious doubts

I have many concerns regarding the unintended consequences

that a cap on the number of mares bred provides a solution and

With this lack of visibility regarding the financial consequences of a cap, you might expect some hesitation regarding the implementation of a change of this magnitude until greater clarity had been achieved. The way I see it, our entire bloodstock was just handed a haircut during a time when a decent haircut (i.e. not DIY lockdown locks) has literally been hard to come by. By 'haircut', I refer to the lowering of the value of our bloodstock. If you believe that colts born in 2021 and beyond will be worth less due to decreased valuations for stallion prospects resulting from a reduction in the key variable of how many mares a stallion is permitted to breed each year, then this value destruction will also carry over to our fillies and mares. From a purely financial perspective, a mare is worth the net present value of the cash flows she is expected to produce in the future. Therefore, with expected cash flows lowered thanks to the mare cap, our mares are now worth less. Fortunately, we are involved in this industry because horse racing is our passion, though as small breeders we still need to

The breeding business can be characterized as one filled with irrational hope and the certainty of disappointment. From my personal perspective, hope is fuelled in large part by the excitement I feel about our mating plans and what results we might achieve from our ideas. With the mare cap, we will inevitably be required to satisfice more often. We have managed to rework mating plans in the past when faced with the occasional rejecting comments such as 'unfortunately your mare was not approved' and 'is this the best [mare you] can offer, as I would not be hopeful of getting a place for her' but these types of responses to our nomination requests can be expected to increase several-fold. Does this bode well for our hopes and dreams or will we be more likely to wade deeper into the pool of disappointment? It does not stand to reason that the cap will prove beneficial to our business if we are forced to make plans that are not our first preferences (i.e. not in our best judgement) and to create a product in which we have a lower degree of confidence due to sub-optimal mating plans and the increased use of unproven stallions and/or stallions with weaker credentials. Cont. p13

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

TANYA GUNTHER ON THE MARE CAP



Tanya Gunther | Amy Lynam

The Jockey Club's unilateral decision to regulate the market by imposing a mare cap on the breeding industry during a period of time when the sport of horse racing has been left staggering breathlessly against the ropes following a series of jabs, crosses and uppercuts, intensifies my fears about the future of our industry. That The Jockey Club chose to deliver this edict amid a global health crisis that threatens to bring many small breeders and operators to their knees, delivers a telling body blow.

On the topic of the mare cap itself, the pros and cons from various industry participants have been captured and relayed by the media quite thoroughly since The Jockey Club floated its intentions in September 2019 (see *TDN* archives from Sept. 7, 2019 onward), so I won't recap them all here (no pun intended). While I favour a market economy approach where the forces of supply and demand determine quantities and prices and where stallion owners can establish their business models as they see fit (with many having already implemented a cap of their own accord), I can see some merit regarding concerns from the other side of the fence, specifically with respect to the issue of genetic diversity. However,

Tanya Gunther cont.

In 2014, we bred an unproven mare with lower-case black-type credentials to a stallion that bred a book of 202 mares. In the same year, we bred an unproven mare with no black-type in her racing credentials to a stallion that bred 152 mares. If the cap had affected breeding plans in that year, our two mares possibly would have been among those shut out and the racing world would be minus one Triple Crown winner in Justify (Scat Daddy) and would have greeted a different horse than Vino Rosso (Curlin) into the winner's circle for the 2019 GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

Irrespective of which side of the fence you're on regarding the cap or whether you're straddling the fence with mixed sentiments, one matter that should be of concern to everyone is the fact that The Jockey Club made the decision to regulate our industry in this way without any formal consultation process with industry participants and without any rigorous stress-testing and scenario modeling, at least not that was publicly disclosed. It made me wonder how The Jockey Club has this level of control over how we conduct our businesses, where it can dictate rules without our collective consent and neglect key issues despite our collective insistence.



Tanya & John Gunther look in on Justify | Jon Siegel

According to an excerpt from the 'History' section of The Jockey Club's website: "The Jockey Club received a certificate of incorporation from the State of New York on February 9, 1894, but the real genesis of the organization took place two months earlier when eight 'patrons of the turf' convened in New York City. The eight racing leaders, chaired by James R. Keene, aimed to create an association that would ensure order instead of the growing chaos of racing. They adopted a resolution that read, in part, that the purpose of the organization would be 'not only to encourage the development of the thoroughbred horse, but to

establish racing on such a footing that it may command the interests as well as the confidence and favorable opinion of the public."

While defense of the cap may take cover under the purpose development of the Thoroughbred horse, I have to ask what is the point of pursuing changes of this nature if we don't address the health of the sport of horse racing as a first priority? The public has no confidence in our ability to police ourselves or to keep our horses safe. In recent times, we have commanded the interests of the public primarily through negative publicity that has bolstered the public's disdain for our sport. A reflection on 2019 and 2020 YTD, as unpalatable as some of what transpired may be, makes one fact abundantly clear: We are in a state of chaos right now.

If we allow the sport of horse racing to continue on its present trajectory, the ongoing debate over the mare cap becomes academic and rather pointless. If The Jockey Club sees fit to overreach in the area of development of the Thoroughbred horse, perhaps it could throw its weight around toward the purpose of ensuring we have a viable and thriving industry where ancillary concerns such as the mare cap may continue to matter.

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2020 BELMONT GRADED STAKES--SPRING SUMMER

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Track</u>
June 3	GIII Beaugay S.	Belmont
June 6	GI Runhappy Carter H.	Belmont
	GII Fort Marcy S.	Belmont
	GIII Westchester S.	Belmont
June 13	GI Ogden Phipps S. (BC)	Belmont
June 20	GI Belmont S.	Belmont
	GI Acorn S.	Belmont
	GI Woody Stephens S., pres. by Claiborne	Belmont
	Gl Jaipur S.	Belmont
	GII Pennine Ridge S.	Belmont
	GIII Wonder Again S.	Belmont
June 27	GI Just A Game S.	Belmont
	GII New York S.	Belmont
	GII True North S.	Belmont
	GIII Vagrancy H.	Belmont
July 4	GI Runhappy Metropolitan H.	Belmont
	GI Manhattan S.	Belmont
	GII Suburban H.	Belmont
	GIII Poker S.	Belmont
	GIII Victory Ride S.	Belmont
July 11	GII Ruffian S.	Belmont

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SANTA ANITA TO RESTORE HOLLYWOOD GOLD CUP NAME

Santa Anita Park will restore the name of the GI Hollywood Gold Cup to the prestigious race for older horses beginning with the 2020 running June 6. The race had been called the Gold Cup at Santa Anita since moving to the Arcadia track in 2014.

"The Hollywood Gold Cup is one of the most storied races in all of American racing and we are right to remember it," said Aidan Butler, Executive Director of California Racing Operations for The Stronach Group. "Beginning when Seabiscuit won the inaugural in 1938, it has attracted some of the finest older horses in the world. Even though Hollywood Park doesn't exist anymore, this race does, and it deserves to be linked to its grand past."

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INDIANA GRAND GETS FORMAL APPROVAL FOR DATES, LOW-TAKEOUT PICK 5

Indiana Grand Race Course will host a 94-day meeting in 2020, beginning Monday, June 15 through Wednesday, Nov. 18, on a Monday-Thursday schedule, after the Indiana Horse Racing Commission formally approved the schedule Thursday. There will also be four special Saturday programs for Quarter Horses only over the course of the meet.

Also approved was a Pick 5 wager on the final five Thoroughbred races each day which will offer takeout of 11.99%, believed to be the lowest takeout on any wager in the country. The Pick 5 will be a straight carryover wager without a unique ticket provision.

"We've said for the last month that the 2020 calendar might need to be fluid and after consultation with our horsemen we're happy to be approved for this 94-day meet." said Eric Halstrom, Vice President and General Manager of Racing. "When you consider that our business will have been shut down for nearly three months, it's very rewarding to offer overnight purses that are consistent or higher than 2019 and a quality stakes calendar for both breeds."

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HBPA AIMS FOR TENTATIVE JULY 6 RACING AT PRESQUE ISLE

By T.D. Thornton

Following a Thursday meeting with the governor's office and the state department of health, the Pennsylvania Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (PHBPA) has notified members that a tentative date for live racing at Presque Isle Downs is now July 6. The Presque Isle stable area would tentatively open June 15, according to a one-page memo signed by Todd Mostoller, the PHBPA's executive director. No resumption date was listed for Penn National, where the PHBPA also represents horsemen. Penn National currently has horses stabled on the grounds after stopping racing back in March because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The PHBPA received affirmation that [Wednesday's] statement from Governor [Tom] Wolf allowing professional sports to resume in green and yellow counties includes horse racing," Mostoller wrote.

Mostoller wrote that the next step involves the state racing commission submitting a set of pandemic protocols to the state health agency no later than June 1. The resumption of racing hinges of approval of those protocols.

Presque Isle was to have raced May 11 through Oct. 22 prior to the coronavirus outbreak.





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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 4:08 p.m. EDT WINNING COLORS S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Sneaking Out	Indian Evening	KMN Racing LLC	Hollendorfer	Ortiz	12-1
2	Break Even	Country Day	Klein Racing	Cox	Rosario	9-5
3	Princess Causeway	Giant's Causeway	Winchester Place Thoroughbreds LLC	Wilkes	Landeros	12-1
4	Bell's the One	Majesticperfection	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Pessin	Lanerie	15-1
5	Unique Factor 🖛	The Factor	Pantofel Stable, Wachtel Stable and Deutsch, Peter	Miller	Geroux	30-1
6	Take Charge Angel	Will Take Charge	Sheffer Racing, LLC	Colebrook	Leparoux	20-1
7	Spiced Perfection 🛪	Smiling Tiger	Haruya Yoshida	Casse	Castellano	7-2
8	Mia Mischief 🖛	Into Mischief	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	8-5
9	Lady Suebee 🖛	First Defence	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Baze	20-1

Breeders: 1-KMN Racing, 2-Richard Klein & Bert Klein, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-Bret Jones, 5-Sebastien G Murat, Martin Keogh, Justin Wojczynski & Gemma Freeman, 6-Sheffer Equine Partners LLC & RonaldStocks, 7-Premier Thoroughbreds LLC, 8-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 9-Claiborne Farm

Saturday, Churchill Downs, post time: 6:16 p.m. EDT OLD FORESTER MINT JULEP S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
Juliet Foxtrot (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Juddmonte Farms, Inc.	Cox	Geroux	5-2
Beau Recall (Ire) 🖛	Sir Prancealot (Ire)	Slam Dunk Racing and Medallion Racing	Cox	Bridgmohan	4-1
Winning Envelope 🛪	More Than Ready	Lothenbach Stables, Inc.	Block	Leparoux	20-1
She'sonthewarpath	Declaration of War	Low, Lawana L. and Robert E.	Margolis	Sutherland	20-1
La Signare (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Madaket Stables LLC, Cambron, Tim, Cambron, Anna and Bradley Thoroughbreds	Walsh	Santana, Jr.	20-1
Nay Lady Nay (Ire)	No Nay Never	First Row Partners and Hidden Brook Farm	Brown	Ortiz	4-1
Secret Message	Hat Trick (Jpn)	Madaket Stables LLC, Heider Family Stables LLC ERJ Racing, LLC, Elayne Stables and Bouchey, Steven	Motion	Velazquez	8-1
Altea (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Swift Thoroughbreds, Inc., Madaket Stables LLC and Doheny Racing Stable	Brown	Rosario	12-1
Varenka	Ghostzapper	Augustin Stable	Motion	Castellano	12-1
Hanalei Moon	Malibu Moon	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Casse	Gaffalione	20-1
Zofelle (Ire)	Zoffany (Ire)	Heider Family Stables LLC	Walsh	Lanerie	20-1
Coco Channel 🖛	English Channel	Calumet Farm	LoPresti	Bejarano	50-1
Elizabeth Way (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	John J. McCormack	Attfield	Hernandez, Jr.	20-1
Mitchell Road	English Channel	Shields, Jr., Mrs. J. V. and McFadden, Jr., E. J. M.	Mott	Talamo	10-1
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Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 2-Tom Wallace, 3-Ramspring Farm, 4-Robert Low & Lawana Low, 5-Moussa Mbacke, 6-Stephen Sullivan, 7-Allen Tennenbaum, 8-Carlos Vazquez Gonzalez, 9-George Strawbridge Jr., 10-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 11-Fullbury & Minch Bloodstock, 12-Calumet Farm, 13-Godolphin, 14-J. V. Shields Jr.

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT HONEYMOON S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Guitty (Fr)	Dunkerque (Fr)	Benowitz Family Trust, Madaket Stables LLC,	Powell	Blanc	8-1
			Mathiesen, M. and Powell, M.			
2	K P Dreamin 🖛	Union Rags	Karl Pergola	Mullins	Espinoza	12-1
3	Fashion Royalty (GB)	War Front	Andrew Rosen	Gallagher	Valdivia, Jr.	30-1
4	Croughavouke (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Mullins	Rispoli	8-1
5	Laura's Light 🖛	Constitution	Gary Barber	Miller	Cedillo	5-2
6	Little Bird (Ire)	Free Eagle (Ire)	Next Wave Racing, Baltas, Richard & Robershaw, Ritchie	Baltas	Gutierrez	15-1
7	Red Lark (Ire)	Epaulette (Aus)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Gallagher	Van Dyke	12-1
8	Parkour	Carpe Diem	LNJ Foxwoods	Mandella	Smith	7-2
9	Stela Star (Ire)	Epaulette (Aus)	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Prat	2-1

Breeders: 1-Hyperion Sarl, 2-Vegso Racing Stable, 3-Andrew Rosen, 4-Joe Fogarty, 5-Golden Pedigree LLC, 6-Springbank Way Stud, 7-Mrs S. M. Rogers & Sir Thomas Pilkington, 8-LNJ Foxwoods, 9-Vimal and Gillian Khosla

Sunday, Santa Anita, post time: 6:30 p.m. EDT SANTA MARIA S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Hard Not to Love 🛪	Hard Spun	Mercedes Stables, West Point Thoroughbreds,	Shirreffs	Smith	122
			S. Dilworth, Dorothy & David Ingordo & Steve Mooney	1		
2	Ce Ce	Elusive Quality	Bo Hirsch, LLC	McCarthy	Espinoza	126
3	Fighting Mad	New Year's Day	West, Gary and Mary	Baffert	Cedillo	124
4	Horologist	Gemologist	There's A Chance Stable, Parkland Thoroughbreds,	Baltas	Prat	124
			Medallion Racing and Abbondanza Racing, LLC			
5	Kaydetre	Mizzen Mast	David Randall	Randall	Blanc	122

Breeders: 1-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc., 2-Bo Hirsch LLC, 3-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 4-Holly Crest Farm, 5-David Randall & Vida Randall







Leading YTD Fifth-Crop Sires by GSWs

for stallions standing in North America through Wednesday, May 27

Earnings represent worldwide figures, stud fees listed are 2020 fees.

Rank	Stallion	BTW	втн	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	The Factor	5	9	3	7		1	191	51	282,500	2,575,558
	(2008) by War Front FY	R: 2014	Stand	s: Lane's	End Far	m KY Fee	: \$17,50	0		Factor	This
2	Get Stormy	1	4	1	4		1	55	11	95,395	428,824
	(2006) by Stormy Atlant	tic FYR: 2	2014	Stand	s: Crestv	vood Farr	n KY Fee	: \$7,500		Getmo	therarose
3	Stay Thirsty	2	4	1	2			121	40	198,000	1,321,931
	(2008) by Bernardini FY	/R: 2014	Stand	s: Lovacr	es Ranc	h CA Fee.	\$10,000)		Mind C	ontrol
4	Dialed In	2	5		2		1	68	15	106,470	802,586
	(2008) by Mineshaft FY	R: 2014	Stand	s: Darby	Dan Far	m KY Fee	: \$20,00	0		Princes	s Cadey
5	I'll Have Another	2	2		1			170	67	462,081	4,749,644
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6	Tapizar		1		1			137	45	98,679	1,495,650
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9	Maclean's Music	1	2		1			75	23	80,667	851,715
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13	Star Guitar	1	4					57	20	60,000	691,465
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14	Coil	1	1					32	14	121,204	490,856
	(2008) by Point Given F	YR: 2014	Stand	s: Bartor	1 Thorou	ghbreds (CA Fee: F	Pensioned		Wound	' Tight
15	Mission Impazible	1	1					46	14	70,350	480,432
	(2007) by Unbridled's So	ong FYR:	2014	Stand	s: Seque	l New Yor	k NY Fee	e: \$5,000		Dream	Bigger

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Beautiful Memories | Coady

John C. Oxley homebred **Beautiful Memories** (f, 2, Hard Spun--Sky Dreamer, by Sky Mesa) was hammered down to 2-5 in her Churchill Downs unveiling Thursday, and ran to the money with a **'TDN Rising Star'** performance.

She was working bullets at the Casse Training Center, including a four-furlong warning shot from the gate in :46 3/5 (1/16) May 2, and wasn't much of a secret here.

Hustled to the front from her inside draw, she was on the engine through an opening quarter in :22 flat. The chestnut began to separate herself from her 10 overmatched rivals approaching the quarter pole and poured it on in the stretch while being hand-ridden by Jose Ortiz en route to a facile 10-length victory. Yogurt (Algorithms) was second.

Beautiful Memories' third dam is champion older mare Beautiful Pleasure, who carried Oxley's gold-and-blue colors to six top-level victories, led by a memorable win in the 1999 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff at Gulfstream Park.

Two-time winner and GIII Arlington Oaks runner-up Sky Dreamer is also responsible for Kimbear (Temple City), a MGSW in Dubai and runner-up in the GIII Lazaro Barrera S. at Santa Anita; and the lightly raced 4-year-old 'Rising Star' Super Comet (Super Saver), sidelined since a fourth-place finish in last summer's GII Amsterdam S. at Saratoga. Sky Dreamer had a foal colt by Violence earlier this year.

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2nd-Churchill Downs, \$79,439, Msw, 5-28, 2yo, f, 5f, :58.05, ft. **BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES, f, 2, by Hard Spun**

1st Dam: Sky Dreamer (GSP-USA & MSP-Can, \$176,065), by Sky Mesa

2nd Dam: To Dream About, by Monarchos 3rd Dam: Beautiful Pleasure, by Maudlin

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$45,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O/B-John C. Oxley (KY); T-Mark E. Casse. *1/2 to Kimbear (Temple City), MGSW-UAE, GSP-USA, \$777,199.



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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

8th-Churchill Downs, \$80,238, Alw, 5-28, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43.74, ft.

SPRAWL (c, 3, City Zip--Amen Again, by Awesome Again), a maiden winner at Keeneland at third asking in his lone prior attempt going two turns on the dirt last fall, kicked off his sophomore campaign with a seventh-place finish in the grassy Dania Beach S. at Gulfstream Feb. 1. He completed the trifecta back on dirt behind the unbeaten Money Moves (Candy Ride {Arg}) in a live-looking, one-mile optional claimer in Hallandale most recently Mar. 27. Given a 4-1 chance here, the chestnut raced within striking distance in fourth, made a flashy threewide sweeping move rounding the far turn and reported home 2 1/4 lengths clear over Locally Owned (Distorted Humor). Amen Again, a winning half-sister to Congrats (A.P. Indy), Flatter (A.P. Indy), et al, is also represented by the 2-year-old colt Handsome Jeff (Orb) and a Lookin At Lucky colt of this year. Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-2, \$113,654. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider (KY); T-William I. Mott.





FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, MAY 29

Cinco Charlie (Indian Charlie), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 66 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Churchill Downs, Msw 5f, PAQUIME, 50-1 \$7,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Laoban (Uncle Mo), Sequel New York, \$5,000 79 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, JILL'S A HOT MESS, 9-2

Outwork (Uncle Mo), WinStar Farm, \$15,000 118 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Churchill Downs, Msw 5f, KNICKS FRONT, 3-1 \$150,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$190,000 OBS MAR 2yo **Ride On Curlin** (Curlin), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$5,000 25 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5f, LIL GREEN MACHINE, 15-1 \$3,000 OBS OCT yrl

Speightster (Speightstown), WinStar Farm, \$10,000 122 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, QUEEN ARELLA, 20-1 \$1,000 FTK OCT yrl

Upstart (Flatter), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000 101 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, DEEMED ESSENTIAL, 2-1 \$125,000 FTK JUL yrl

Vancouver (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), Ashford Stud 95 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Churchill Downs, Msw 5f, EL CASADORA, 50-1 \$19,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$1,200 KEE SEP yrl

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Freshman sire Outwork looks for his first winner at Churchill Downs Friday | Sarah Andrew

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, MAY 29

Admiral Kitten (Kitten's Joy), Moutonshoek Stud 21 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 1 1/16mT, MATTY'S EXPRESS, 5-1

Bayern (Offlee Wild), Hill 'n' Dale Farms, \$15,000 157 foals of racing age/37 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Santa Anita, Aoc 5 1/2fT, BELLA VITA, 3-1 \$75,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$400,000 OBS APR 2yo 6-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, R CHERRY, 10-1 6-Churchill Downs, Alw 1 1/16m, TEMPERS RISING, 5-2 \$50,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$145,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$170,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

Carpe Diem (Giant's Causeway), WinStar Farm, \$15,000 231 foals of racing age/29 winners/2 black-type winners 3-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, CARPE AMORINA, 9-5 \$8,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$35,000 RNA EAS MAY 2yo

Chitu (Henny Hughes), Bridlewood Farm, \$4,500 88 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 1 1/16mT, BUFFALO MAX, 30-1 5-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5f, FINANCIAL GAIN, 9-2

Commissioner (A.P. Indy), WinStar Farm, \$7,500 163 foals of racing age/22 winners/3 black-type winners 6-Churchill Downs, Alw 1 1/16m, DREAMALILDREAMOFU, 9-2 \$15,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$65,000 OBS OPN 2yo 2-Churchill Downs, Msw 5f, OUR COMMISH, 30-1

Fury Kapcori (Tiznow), Journeyman Stud, \$2,500 62 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner 5-Tampa Bay Downs, Msw 5f, FURY KAP, 5-1

Govenor Charlie (Midnight Lute), Lovacres Ranch, \$3,000 60 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 1-Santa Anita, Msw 4 1/2f, FELICIDAD LEGADA, 12-1 \$1,000 NCA AUG yrl



Govenor Charlie cont.

1-Santa Anita, Msw 4 1/2f, GOVERNOR GOTEVEN, 6-1

Khozan (Distorted Humor), Journeyman Stud, \$8,500 130 foals of racing age/33 winners/2 black-type winners 5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, GO JO JO GO, 8-1

Race Day (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500
149 foals of racing age/21 winners/4 black-type winners
5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, RACE DAY SPEED, 6-1
\$1,500 OBS OCT yrl
6-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, RACING MY FATHER, 10-1
\$2,700 EAS DEC wnl; \$24,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo

Summer Front (War Front), Airdrie Stud, \$10,000
181 foals of racing age/27 winners/3 black-type winners
2-Churchill Downs, Msw 5f, GYPSY KING, 5-2
\$11,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$50,000 FTK JUL yrl
5-Gulfstream, Msw 5f, INDY FRONT, 30-1
\$4,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$1,000 FTK OCT yrl
6-Tampa Bay Downs, Aoc 1 1/16mT, SUMMER ASSAULT, 3-1
\$80,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl; \$15,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$45,000 OBS APR
2yo

Tapiture (Tapit), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500 246 foals of racing age/42 winners/3 black-type winners 6-Charles Town, Msw 4 1/2f, CROWNS AND TIARAS, 3-1 \$37,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl



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. Top-level action in Japan continues with Sunday's G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) at headquarters, but American-bred activity is confined to Saturday at Kyoto in addition to Tokyo:

Saturday, May 30, 2020

1st-TOK, ¥9,680,000 (\$90k), Maiden, 3yo, 1600m

ATLANTA TESORO (c, 3, Declaration of War--Quite Honestly, by Lion Heart) caught a rain-affected strip on course-and-distance debut last November and came home 10th of 16. A \$70K Keeneland November buyback turned \$250,000 KEESEP yearling, the bay colt is out of an unraced full-sister to GSW &

GISP Pretty Prolific and out of a half to Seattle Bay (Opening Verse), the French MGSP dam of MSP Smart Seattle (Smart Strike). Atlanta Tesoro's third dam is champion Waya (Fr) (Faraway). B-Paget Bloodstock & Galtee Bloodstock Ltd (KY)

5th-KYO, ¥13,830,000 (\$128k), Allowance, 3yo, 1800m SUNRISE RAPPORT (JPN) (c, 3, Constitution--Kara's Match Point, by Curlin) opened his account at first asking going this distance at Hanshin Dec. 21 (video, gate 12) and was last seen finishing seventh, beaten about six lengths, over 1600m at Tokyo Feb. 1. The colt's dam, a half-brother to GISW Dancing Rags (Union Rags) and MGSW & GISP South African-based stallion Coup de Grace (Tapit), was acquired with this foal in utero for \$450K at KEENOV in 2016. Third dam Jewel Princess (Key to the Mint) won the 1996 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff en route to Eclipse Award honors that season. B-Shimokobe Farm

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10th-KYO, \(\frac{4}{34}\), Allowance, 4yo/up, 1800m AVANCE (c, 4, Uncle Mo--Above Heaven, by Mr. Greeley), out of a daughter of 2007 GI Alabama S. winner Lady Joanne (Orientate), has won three of his eight career trips to the post, including a narrow victory over an extended nine-furlong trip Mar. 1. Lady Joanne is a half-sister to Classic winner Shackleford (Forestry), MGSWs Baghdaria (Royal Academy) and Afleeting Lady (Afleet Alex) and SW/GSP Stephanoatsee (A.P. Indy). B-Dr Mastake Iida (KY)

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John Oxley homebred **Beautiful Memories** (f, 2, by Hard Spun) gets the 'TDN Rising Star' nod on debut at CD.



Social Distancing: Beautiful Memories (f, 2, Hard Spun) ran to the money with a 'TDN Rising Star' performance on debut at Churchill Thursday. | Coady



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-Churchill Downs, \$76,814, 5-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :56.37, fm. CHANGE OF CONTROL (f, 4, Fed Biz--America's Blossom {MSP, \$185,502}, by Quiet American) Lifetime Record: SW, 16-4-4-2, \$245,633. O-Roddy Harrison; B-John O'Meara (KY); T-Michelle Lovell. *\$27,000 Wlg '16 KEENOV; \$95,000 Ylg '17 OBSOCT.

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8th-Gulfstream, \$44,600, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 5-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.77, ft.

CRUMB BUN (f, 4, Afleet Alex--Crumb {SW, \$144,493}, by Graeme Hall) Lifetime Record: 19-4-3-4, \$151,098. O/B-Eric J. Wirth (FL); T-Larry Bates.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Amadora, f, 4, Goldencents--Business Decision, by Put It Back. Gulfstream, 5-28, (S), 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:44.69. B-Angela Ingenito (FL). *\$65,000 Ylg '17 FTKJUL; \$15,000 3yo '19 KEENOV.

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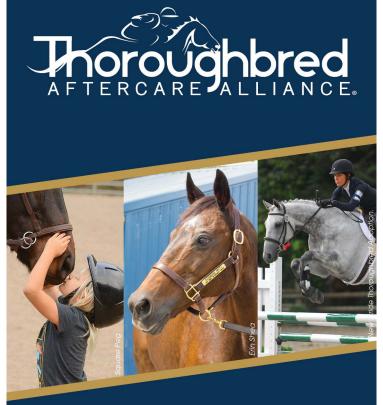
AFLEET ALEX, Crumb Bun, f, 4, o/o Crumb, by Graeme Hall. AOC, 5-28, Gulfstream

CITY ZIP, Sprawl, c, 3, o/o Amen Again, by Awesome Again. ALW, 5-28, Churchill Downs

FED BIZ, Change of Control, f, 4, o/o America's Blossom, by Quiet American. ALW, 5-28, Churchill Downs

GOLDENCENTS, Amadora, f, 4, o/o Business Decision, by Put It Back. MSW, 5-28, Gulfstream

HARD SPUN, Beautiful Memories, f, 2, o/o Sky Dreamer, by Sky Mesa. MSW, 5-28, Churchill Downs



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SPINNING MEMORIES PREVAILS IN PALAIS-ROYAL



Spinning Memories wins the Palais-Royal | Scoop Dyga

Offering the perfect reputation enhancement ahead of her impending online sale date in next week's Magic Millions, Spinning Memories (Ire) (Arcano {Ire}) swooped late to add Thursday's G3 Prix du Palais-Royal at Clairefontaine to her burgeoning tally. Having registered back-to-back successes in the Listed Prix Maurice Zilber over this seven-furlong trip at ParisLongchamp on May 11, Sutong Pan Racing Bloodstock's bay had the ideal fast pace to run at courtesy of Azano (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}). Picking up from rear under Christophe Soumillon, the even-money favourite reeled in that aggressively-ridden long-time leader and Stunning Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) on opposite sides of the track in the final yards to register a length verdict.

Formerly with Andrew Oliver in Ireland, Spinning Memories registered her first black-type success in the Listed Prix Matchem over this trip in October 2018 before taking the following year's Maurice Zilber. Fourth in this race when it was staged at its traditional home of ParisLongchamp last May, she was third in the G3 Prix de la Porte Maillot over that same track and trip in July before just missing out on third in the 6 1/2-furlong G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville.

TBA LAUNCHES GREAT BRITISH BONUS

A new bonus scheme which amalgamates elements of Plus 10 and the National Hunt Mare Owners' Prize Scheme (MOPS) has been launched by the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association (TBA) for British-bred Flat and jumps fillies and mares.

Offering multiple bonuses of up to £20,000 per eligible race, the Great British Bonus (GBB) has been devised with the aim "to increase the number of British-bred horses in racing and, so, safeguard the future of British breeding."

Devised by the TBA, the scheme's launch was delayed from March owing to racing being suspended during the Covid-19 pandemic. It will be funded from entry fees paid at three phases of a horse's life by the breeder, owner and pinhooker where applicable, and from Levy Board contributions from next season. With British racing set to resume on Monday there will be six eligible races run during the opening week of action, starting with the British Stallion Studs EBF Fillies' Maiden at Newcastle on Tuesday. "A scheme underpinning all pillars of the industry is the best way to support Thoroughbred breeding operations in Britain, and when key participants benefit, those funds are more likely to be reinvested into the British racing industry," said TBA chairman Julian Richmond-Watson.



The Great British Bonus is a self-help initiative to safeguard
British-bred fillies and mares

IN TON AMERICA TODAY

UNDEFEATED NADAL RETIRED

Winner of a division of the May 2 GI Arkansas Derby, Nadal has been retired after exiting his May 28 work with a condylar fracture. Click or tap here to go straight to TDN America.

Spinning Memories Prevails In Palais-Royal cont. from p1

Gaining compensation when taking the August festival's G3 Prix de Meautry over six furlongs, she was ninth trying five furlongs in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp in October.

"She is such a lovely filly and seven is really her best trip," trainer Pascal Bary commented. "It was a truly-run race and she delivered nicely. I don't know what will happen after she is offered online--whether or not she will be sold and whether she will stay with me. If she does stay with me I will target her at the Prix Maurice de Gheest again."

Pedigree Notes

Spinning Memories is the first foal out of an unraced granddaughter of the GI Beverly D. S. and GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup heroine Memories of Silver (Silver Hawk). Her best progeny was the GI Diana S. and GI Garden City S. winner Winter Memories (El Prado {Ire}), while her half-sister Memories (Hail the Pirates) captured the GII Miss Grillo S. before throwing the Palais-Royal-winning sire Russian Revival (Nureyev).

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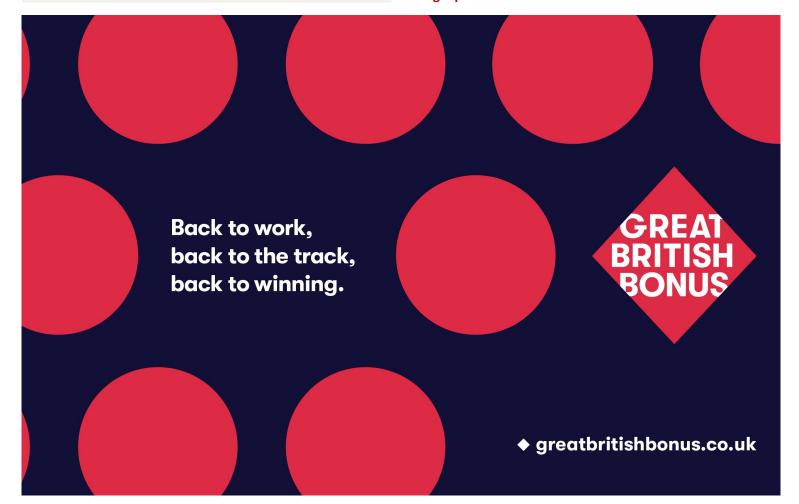
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PRIX DU PALAIS-ROYAL - PRIX HONNEUR AUX ACTEURS DES
COURSES-G3, €56,000, Clairefontaine, 5-28, 3yo/up, 7fT,
1:22.70, g/s.

1--SPINNING MEMORIES (IRE), 127, m, 5, by Arcano (Ire)
1st Dam: Hanalei Memories, by Hard Spun
2nd Dam: Memories For Us, by Street Cry (Ire)
3rd Dam: Memories of Silver, by Silver Hawk

O-Pan Sutong Racing Bloodstock; B-Mubarak Al Naemi (IRE); T-Pascal Bary; J-Christophe Soumillon. €28,000. Lifetime Record: 12-6-0-1, €187,890. Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

- 2--Azano (GB), 130, g, 4, Oasis Dream (GB)--Azanara (Ire), by Hurricane Run (Ire). O-Martin & Lee Taylor; B-Elysian Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €11,200.
- 3--Stunning Spirit (GB), 130, h, 6, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Stunning View, by Dynaformer. (€65,000 5yo '19 ARQARC). O-Le Haras de la Gousserie; B-George Strawbridge (GB); T-Frederic Rossi. €8,400.

Margins: 1, SHD, 3. Odds: 1.00, 4.30, 4.40.
Also Ran: Stormbringer (GB), Devil (Ire), Milord's Song (Fr),
Tertius (Fr). Click for the Racing Post result or the free
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EUROPEAN NEWS

TBA Launches Great British Bonus cont. from p1

Richmond-Watson continued, "GBB evolved from the latest economic impact studies commissioned by the TBA, and, after extensive collaboration across the industry, it will focus on assisting key areas of the race programme and horse population that can shape the future diversity of the breed. We are pleased to be able to deliver bonuses this year, with the number of races rising to approximately 3,000 in 2022. Breeders, owners, trainers, jockeys, stable staff and pinhookers can all benefit from the scheme, which supports the long-term sustainability of our industry. We are extremely grateful to all those who have helped deliver this initiative, most notably the Levy Board and steering groups, which have worked tirelessly on this project."

The scheme will operate under a two-tier system, with fillies bred in Britain and by a British-based stallion eligible for 100% of the bonuses, while GB-bred fillies by stallions standing outside Britain are eligible for 50%. For the former, bonuses of £20,000 are available for specified fillies-only races, and £10,000 for

specified races open to both sexes. Multiple bonuses can be won on the Flat and over jumps, though dual-purpose fillies must be signed up under each code. On the Flat, 2-year-old fillies already paid up for Plus10 will be registered automatically to GBB and will be eligible for more than 160 races in 2020.

Over jumps, all NH MOPS-registered fillies and mares will be transferred to the enhanced GBB scheme and are eligible for more than 1,150 eligible races this year.

"There are about 640 GBB-qualified fillies who are signed up for Plus 10," explained GBB scheme manager Grant Pritchard-Gordon. "The reason we've done that is to demonstrate to people that the scheme works. They paid a Plus 10 nomination fee and now there's a chance to earn double."

"MOPS fillies are also now running for a lot more money and there are more races and no field-size limitations. The other concession which has been made for MOPS is that MOPS-eligible horses can run for bonuses as soon as jump racing starts again. The MOPS scheme has now closed down but they are automatically eligible for GBB."

Any bonuses won will be split between connections as follows: 65% to the registered owner at the time of the win, 10% to the registered breeder, 10% to the registered owner at the time the yearling registration fee was paid, 7.5% to the horse's trainer, 5% to the jockey, and 2.5% to the stable staff.



Robert Ng homebred Natural Path (Ire) (Toronado {Ire}) stayed perfect in three starts with a win at Clairefontaine on Thursday. | Scoop Dyga

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Registration fees are payable in three stages: £200 as a foal (£300 for non-TBA members), £200 as a yearling, and £350 by the end of February in the filly's 2-year-old year. For National Hunt-bred fillies the final stage of registration is required by the end of August of the 3-year-old season.

From the foal crop of 2019 onwards, the eligible races on the Flat are:

- 2yos: all Class 2, 3, 4 and 5 maiden, novice and conditions fillies-only races, and open races for 2-year-olds or 2-year-olds and above.
- 3yos: all Class 2, 3, 4 and 5 maiden, novice and conditions fillies-only races, and open races for 3-year-olds or 3-year-olds and above.

The National Hunt races included are:

- Class 1-5 Standard NH Flat races
- Class 1-4 Juvenile, novices' and maiden hurdles
- Class 1-4 Novices' and beginners' chases
- Class 1 and 2: Open hurdles
- Class 1 and 2: Open chases

Commenting on the scheme, Richard Wayman, chief operating officer of the BHA, said, "The importance of a vibrant and robust British Thoroughbred breeding industry for the future of our sport cannot be overstated. Now, more than ever, action is required to support our breeders, and the introduction of the Great British Bonus is a key part of this, offering a significant financial incentive for racehorse owners to invest in British-bred fillies. As well as boosting demand at the sales, the scheme should encourage more fillies to be tried on the racecourse. This important and necessary initiative is sure to have a positive influence in the years ahead."

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William Knight has recently returned to Newmarket after training in West Sussex for 14 years. He is now based at Rathmoy Stables on Hamilton Road and he tells TDN's Alavna Cullen how the move went.

MOORESBRIDGE SHAPING UP STRONG

The G2 Mooresbridge S. at The Curragh on June 13 is shaping up as an exciting contest pitting many of the season's most anticipated older horses against one another. Among the entries for the 10-furlong contest are last year's leading middle-distance 3-year-olds Japan (GB) (Galileo (Ire)) and Anthony Van Dyck (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)), last year's G1 Irish St Leger winner Search For A Song (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)), the 2018 G1 Irish Derby victor Latrobe (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), globetrotting Group 1 winner Magic Wand (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) and the high-class Madhmoon (Ire) (Dawn Approach (Ire)). The same card's G3 Gladness S. could feature last year's dual Group 1-winning miler Circus Maximus (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), while the previous day's Lanwades Stud S. sees Ballydoyle's admirable mare Magical (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) among the entries.

Meanwhile, four fillies have been added to the July 18 G1 Irish Oaks at the second entry stage: Jessica Harrington's Flor De La Luna (GB) (Sea The Moon {Ger}), Paddy Twomey's Moll (Ire) (Camelot {GB}) and the Ger Lyons-trained Thunder Kiss (Ire) (Night of Thunder {Ire}) and Lemista (Ire) (Raven's Pass).

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Friday, May 29:

FRANCE:

Charming Thought (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Dalham Hall Stud 48 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-BDX LE BOUSCAT, 1200m, CHARMING QUEEN (GB)

Vadamos (Fr) (Monsun {Ger}), Tally-Ho Stud
127 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
2-BDX LE BOUSCAT, 1200m, EILEAN DUBH (Ire)
€28,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2018; €30,000
Osarus September Yearling Sale 2019



Vadamos | Tally-Ho Stud

FRANCE

Thursday's Results:

3rd-Clairefontaine, €28,000, Cond, 5-28, 3yo, 8fT, 1:37, g/s. **NATURAL PATH (IRE) (f, 3, Toronado {Ire}--Panda Spirit, by Invincible Spirit {Ire})**, who posted wins at Moulins and Maisons-Laffitte in an unbeaten juvenile campaign last year, broke on the lead and settled behind the leaders in fourth after the opening exchanges of this return. Nudged along soon after turning for home, the 19-10 favourite was ridden to launch her challenge entering the final furlong and kept on well to prevail by a neck from Icatcher (Fr) (Manduro {Ger}). Kin to a 2-year-old filly by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire), the homebred bay is the first of two foals and lone performer produced by dual juvenile winner Panda Spirit (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). Her second dam Towanda (Dynaformer) is a full-sister to G1 Fillies' Mile heroine

White Moonstone. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, €39,000. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O/B-Robert Ng (IRE); T-Henri-Francois Devin.

1st-Clairefontaine, **€20,000**, **Mdn**, 5-28, 3yo, 11fT, 2:28.40, g/s. OMMEEL (FR) (g, 3, Le Havre {Ire}--Our Dream Queen {GB}, by Oasis Dream (GB)), a Feb. 29 debut third tackling 9 1/2 furlongs at Deauville last time, found a comfortable rhythm off the pace in fifth for most of this turf bow. Cruising up to the front rank on the home turn, the 12-5 chance challenged four wide upon straightening up and stayed on strongly under mainly whipless rousting inside the final quarter mile to deny Whaze (Ire) (New Approach (Ire) by a half length nearing the line. Half-brother to the dual stakes-placed Chouain (Fr) (Rajsaman {Fr}), he is the sixth foal and winner produced by a winning half to three blacktype performers headed by G1 Sun Chariot S. victress Spinning Queen (GB) (Spinning World), herself the dam of the stakeswinning duo Trade Commissioner (Ire) (Montjeu (Ire)) and Gallipot (GB) (Galileo (Ire)). The May-foaled bay's unraced second dam Our Queen of Kings (GB) (Arazi) is kin to four stakes winners, namely GI Hollywood Derby-winning sire Labeeb (GB) (Lear Fan), MGSW sire Alrassaam (GB) (Zafonic), MGSW GI Arlington Million and GI Hollywood Gold Cup runner-up Fanmore (Lear Fan) and GI Hollywood Starlet S. and GI Oak Leaf S. placegetter Madame L'Enjoleur (L'Enjoleur). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €13,750. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Franklin Finance SA (FR); T-Anastasia Wattel.

3rd-Lyon-Parilly, €**18,000, Mdn**, 5-28, 3yo, 12fT, 2:36.21, g/s. LISTENTOME (FR) (f, 3, Galileo {Ire}--Longina {Ger} {GSW & G1SP-Ger, SP-Ity, \$171,533}, by Monsun (Ger)), backed into 11-5 favouritism, was held up early with one behind. Taking time to wind up fully from the home straight, the homebred stayed on strongly to cut down Beautiful Timing (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the final yards and score cosily by a half length from Godolphin's 700,000gns half-sister to the G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Cursory Glance (Distorted Humor). The winner is the first foal out of the dam, who captured the G2 Diana-Trial and was also third in the G1 Preis der Diana. Her dam Love Academy (Ger) (Medicean {GB}), who annexed the G3 Preis der Winterkonigin, is a half to the GII Sky Classic-winning sire Lauro (Ger) also by Monsun who finished runner-up in the GI United Nations S. Also connected to the G1 Deutsches Derby-winning half-brothers Lando (Ger) and Laroche (Ger), her yearling filly is by Dubawi (Ire). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €9,000. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani; B-Al Shahania Stud (FR); T-Francois-Henri Graffard.

1st-Lyon-Parilly, €14,000, Mdn, 5-28, 2yo, 6fT, 1:14.23, g/s. TROBREIZH (FR) (c, 2, Goken {Fr}--Danse Revee {Ire}, by Manduro {Ger}), sent off the 7-5 favourite, was a touch sluggish from the gates but responded to rousing from the saddle to engage behind the leader. Chasing Pernilla (Fr) (Style Vendome {Fr}) up the straight, the bay finally subdued that rival in the last 50 metres en route to a length success while becoming the fourth winner for his freshman sire (by Kendargent {Fr}). The winner is the last known foal out of a half-sister to the G3 Prix Gladiateur-winning stayer Varevees (GB) (Kahyasi {Ire}) who was also runner-up in the G1 Prix du Cadran. The second dam Danse Bretonne (Exit To Nowhere) is a half to the G3 Prix Edmond Blanc-winning successful sire Kaldounevees (Fr). Sales history: €26,000 Ylg '19 OSASEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €7,000. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.

O-L Haegel; B-Haras des Evees & D Cherdo (FR); T-Frederic Rossi.

M A P Purchased by MAB Agency (M-A Berghgracht)

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Clairefontaine, **€22,000**, **Cond**, 5-28, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:24.10, g/s.

ALBA POWER (IRE) (g, 5, Fast Company {Ire}--Shehila {Ire}, by Zamindar) Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr & SP-Eng, 17-4-1-2, €131,393. O-Fiona Jean Carmichael; B-Shehila Partnership (IRE); T-Fabrice Chappet. *€35,000 Wlg '15 GOFNOV; £110,000 Ylg '16 GOUKPR; 65,000gns RNA 2yo '17 TATHIT.

6th-Lyon-Parilly, **€18,000**, 5-28, 3yo, 10fT, 2:20.41, g/s. **GELINKA (FR) (f, 3, Rail Link {GB}--Ge Decoiffe {Fr}, by The Mask {Fr})** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, **€**23,190. O-Gilles Denizet; B-S Wuillaume, Mme S Gerard & S Schneider (FR); T-N Bellanger.

5th-Lyon-Parilly, €13,000, 5-28, 4yo/up, 11fT, 2:22.34, g/s. ASHTARA (f, 4, Gio Ponti--Ashiyla {Fr} {SW-Fr, \$100,391}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, €28,880. O-H H Aga Khan; B-His Highness The Aga Khan Studs S C (KY); T-Alain de Royer-Dupre.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bengal Bay (GB), g, 3, Cable Bay (Ire)--Basque Beauty (GB), by Nayef. Clairefontaine, 5-28, 7fT, 1:24.30. B-Rachel, Countess of Coventry (GB). *25,000gns RNA Ylg '18 TAOCT. **1/2 to George William (GB) (Paco Boy {Ire}), SP-Eng.

Shariq (Fr), g, 3, **Dabirsim (Fr)**--Twilight Tear (GB), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). Clairefontaine, 5-28, 9fT, 1:51.50. B-Haras de Grandcamp (FR). *240,000gns Ylg '18 TAOCT. **Full to Coeur de Beaute (FR) (Dabirsim {Fr}), GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$303,398.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

BSA INTRODUCES DIGITAL SALE



Edward Whitaker/Racing Post

Bloodstock South Africa has launched its digital online sales platform, with the inaugural monthly BSA digital sale slated to begin June 5 and continue through noon, June 11. Entries opened yesterday (May 28) and close at noon, June 1. The sale will be held on a monthly basis: the first Friday of each month, and will close on the following Thursday at midday. The sessions will vary from weanlings, yearlings, which will qualify for BSA's Value Added Stakes Incentive, and broodmares, in addition to unraced and horses-in-training.

Included in the financial framework of the new online sale:

- Entry Fee R500 (excl. VAT)
- Sales Commission 5% (excl. VAT)
- Reserve Commission 0%
- Roll-over fee to next sale R250 (excl. VAT)
- Minimum Floor Price R5000

"We believe that in this day and age, there is a need for a convenient and user-friendly platform that allows breeders, owners and trainers to readily trade their stock as their dynamic needs dictate," said BSA CEO Michael Holmes. "It also enhances the attraction of the liquid commodity aspect of the thoroughbred, and potentially opens the bloodstock market to a wider range of investors."

For more information, visit www.bsa.co.za

Sunday, Tokyo, Japan, post time: 3:40 p.m.

TOKYO YUSHUN (JAPANESE DERBY)-G1, ¥380,000,000 (£2,870,731/€3,197,451/US\$3,525,716), 3yo, 2400mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Satono Impresa (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Sakai	Yahagi	126
2	Al Jannah (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Hamanaka	lkee	126
3	Wakea (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Lemaire	Tezuka	126
4	L'Excellence (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Ishibashi	Ikezoe	126
5	Contrail (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Fukunaga	Yahagi	126
6	Weltreisende (Jpn)	Dream Journey (Jpn)	Ikezoe	lkee	126
7	Black Hole (Jpn)	Gold Ship (Jpn)	Ishikawa	Aizawa	126
8	Bitterender (Jpn)	Orfevre (Jpn)	Tsumura	Aizawa	126
9	Darlington Hall (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Demuro	Kimura	126
10	Cortesia (Jpn)	Symboli Kris S	Matsuyama	Suzuki	126
11	Galore Creek (Jpn)	Kinshasa no Kiseki (Aus)	Kawada	Uehara	126
12	Salios (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Lane	Hori	126
13	Deep Bond (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Wada	Okubo	126
14	My Rhapsody (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Yokoyama	Tomomichi	126
15	Satono Flag (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Take	Kunieda	126
16	Man of Spirit (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Kitamura	Saito	126
17	Valcos (Jpn)	Novellist (Ire)	Miura	Tomomichi	126
18	Win Carnelian (Jpn)	Screen Hero (Jpn)	Tanabe	Shikato	126

Breeders: 1-Shadai Farm; 2-Northern Farm; 3-Northern Racing; 4-Northern Racing; 5-North Hills Co Ltd; 6-Northern Racing; 7-Seiichi Serizawa; 8-Sakurai Bokujo; 9-Canning Bloodstock Ltd; 10-North Hills Co Ltd; 11-Kasamatsu Bokujo; 12-Northern Racing; 13-Murata Bokujo; 14-Northern Racing; 15-Northern Farm; 16-Northern Farm; 17-Northern Farm; 18-Cosmo View Farm



Type Sire Name:	Go

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AROUND THE FARM WITH SAM FAIRGRAY



Sam Fairgray | TDNAusNZ

by Paul Vettise

TDN AusNZ continues its new series in which we quiz Australasian stud identities about their own businesses, backgrounds and thoughts on the wider thoroughbred industry. Today, we chat with Yulong Chief Operating Officer Sam Fairgray.

Sam Fairgray manages the Yuesheng Zhang-owned Yulong operation in Victoria and home to foundation stallion Grunt (NZ), who stands at \$13,750 inc GST and newcomer Alabama Express at \$27,500 inc GST. It also has future sire, Group 1-winning colt Tagaloa (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) in its quality ownership stable.

TDN AusNZ: Service fees have been announced, how are you finding the response to your roster given the current economic uncertainty?

SF: We're really pleased and the Victorian breeders have responded really well to Alabama Express and to Grunt, who was extremely popular in 2019. He served 178 mares and 160 in foal, he's got fantastic fertility - his first 30 mares in a row were in foal and he will be serving another top-quality book this year.

TDN AusNZ: You have new stallion Alabama Express, can you describe him physically and what mare type you will be sending to him?

SF: Alabama is going to be an easy horse to mate to because he's medium-sized at 16 hands and he's full of quality. Whether it's a mare that needs a bit of size or a bigger mare that needs tidying up he's right in the middle. He's got substance and is an easy horse to breed to on type.

TDN AusNZ: How did that stallion come on your radar to stand, and what was the process to acquiring him?

SF: Sons of Redoute's Choice have been great and we always keep an eye on them. Alabama Express did well early on in his career and then he came back and won at Flemington, that's when we thought this might be a horse going places. Obviously, he later won the G1 CF Orr S. and we were on to him and were fortunate enough to get hold of him.

He's the only 3-year-old son of Redoute's Choice to win at weight-for-age in Australia and showed he was the real deal when he beat the older horses and seven Group 1 winners in the CF Orr. He had a great turn of foot and he's out of an Encosta De Lago mare so there's lots of positives and he'll be a great fit with the Australian broodmare population.

TDN AusNZ: Physical type, race performance and pedigree are all important criteria when selecting stallions, but if there were one you'd prioritise over the others, what would it be and why?



Grunt | TDNAusNZ

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SF: That's a tough one, but I think at the end of the day pedigree is vital and then performance guides you commercially. If the horse has got the pedigree and he works with the mare gene population then that's the way to success. It's a combination of them all to be able to leave commercial types.

I think it's pedigree and physical--obviously race performance is important, but horses might not have luck in certain races so you also have to gauge that when assessing their ability.

TDN AusNZ: Looking ahead to the next few years, are there any changes to your business model you're planning? And what is your process for reviewing how your business is placed?

SF: As we are growing, Mr Zhang is always checking and making

sure we're progressing in the right direction. We try to keep things streamlined, having the racing and breeding operations we are always looking to evolve the business and keep it at the right level.

Mr Zhang has big hopes and we're certainly well on the way. We look at successful farms in Australia and world-wide to see how they operate and their business models. Mr Zhang is very involved and was here from

January up until just before the Inglis Chairman's Sale. His knowledge of the industry is incredible, he's very passionate about it and knows what's going on. He reads all the news about the industry all over the world.

TDN AusNZ: What is the biggest challenge facing your business at the moment?

SF: I think breeders are certainly going to take stock and look at what they're doing and their models. Sometimes, challenges like we are currently facing, can actually be a positive because it can be too easy to be breeding mares for the sake of it and hoping that you get a result at the other end. The way the economy is now, you've got to scrutinise where the end product is going to end up and the buying market.

Obviously, it's difficult times and it's also time for breeders to see which of their mares are going to be profitable, we

obviously want to help keep them successful so they stay in the game. The mares you breed this year are three years away from a result so people definitely have to assess what they're doing carefully and that's what I have noted with breeders. Some have decided that some mares won't be bred, they've done their homework and decided it may not be best for their business.

TDN AusNZ: You've worked for some interesting people throughout your career, can you tell me who had the largest influence on you and the lesson you will not forget?

SF: When I was at school and about 15 I went and did a week at Denny and Mark Baker's Hallmark Stud and I think that cemented what I wanted to do with my career. They are great horsemen and I saw how they operated their business and that

got me going.

Then I was really lucky that Peter Keating at Ra Ora Stud gave me my first job and horse-wise he taught me all about conformation and diet.

John Messara is the other person I learned an awful lot off when I worked at Arrowfield Stud and saw how he operated and what it took to make

a business work.

TDN AusNZ: Who did you learn the most from,

regarding horse

Paul (left) and John Messara | Bronwen Healy

conformation? And why do you think they were a good judge?

SF: Peter Keating taught me all about horse husbandry and, when I was at Arrowfield, Dr Percy Sykes was the consulting vet and the knowledge that Percy had was incredible. Talking to him about horse nutrition and different issues with horses was great and he was very practical with his diagnosis. Percy had so much knowledge and you'd never learn it all in a lifetime.

TDN AusNZ: Which horse is the best physical you've ever worked closely with, and why?

SF: That would be Flying Spur, he was well-bred, a very good racehorse, a beautiful-looking horse and an outstanding stallion so he had it all. You would go a long way to find one as good as him. I started at Arrowfield in 2000 and he was there then.

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TDN AusNZ: What stallion on another farm's roster would you like to be standing?

SF: I think it would be Pierro. He's an emerging stallion and going to be a real force in the Australian industry.

TDN AusNZ: What is the biggest challenge facing the industry at the moment?

SF: We have to keep people interested in the industry and for that we forever have to keep up with the face of all the competition, other sports and so forth. I think the advancement in horse welfare that the industry has undertaken is great and, going forward, that is going to be very important to keep on monitoring. Everybody in this industry loves the animals and everybody wants to do the right thing.

TDN AusNZ: What's your opinion on the 140-mare cap that the Jockey Club in America are proposing? Do you think it's needed here?

SF: It's an interesting one. Obviously, studmasters want to get as many mares in foal as possible, but the other side of that is when you're marketing a yearling they don't want to be marketing against 200 others by the same stallion. There's obviously pros and cons, but I'm not sure about the restriction of trade and there might be a few court cases to follow. When you get a good horse and you get a lot of that gene out there it improves the breed, but people will also argue you can narrow that by having too many by the same stallion.

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Ultimately I think it works itself out and we don't need a cap here.

TDN AusNZ: Which four people, within the industry or outside it, dead or alive, would you invite to a dinner party?

SF: I thought John Messara, Rick Jamieson from Gilgai, Gai Waterhouse and Gerry Harvey. It would be quite contentious and they're all so knowledgeable about the industry and all been so successful.

Obviously, Rick and Gerry have been successful outside of the industry as well so to have them all together and hear their opinions would be quite an interesting evening.

TDN AusNZ: Which global breeding brand do you have the ultimate respect for?

SF: Arrowfield and Shadai are two farms that have a fantastic brand, are consistent with their produce and seem to be able to keep on finding the good stallions. They are two farms that are world-renowned for their brand and quality of product.

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