



NEVER OFFLINE: LUCKY VEGA TEAM TAKE HOME ANOTHER **TOP LOT AT TATTS**



The Lucky Vega team landed the top lot online | Tattersalls

By Brian Sheerin

Who is Lucky Vega? From Monday to Friday, he bases himself at the Irish National Stud, having retired there off the back of a successful career on the track where he won a Group 1 for trainer Jessica Harrington.

A quick scan through the results at any of the big sales either side of the Irish Sea recently and you will see that Lucky Vega (Ire) has been keeping himself busy upon his retirement, with his name featuring alongside some of the more select lots.

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GROUP 1 WINNER BAY BRIDGE RETIRED TO STAND AT HARAS DU MESNIL

Bay Bridge (GB) has been retired to stand at the Devin family's Haras du Mesnil in France, where he will join Doctor Dino (Fr) and Telecaster (GB) on the roster for 2024.

The Group 1-winning son of New Bay (GB) will stand for a fee of €6,000 while James Wigan and Ballylinch Stud are set to stay in as partners in the 5-year-old.

Bay Bridge won seven of his 16 starts for Sir Michael Stoute and reached a career-high rating of 122 in amassing almost £1.3 million in prize-money.

His career highlight came when winning the G1 British Champion S. at Ascot, where he downed the previously unbeaten Baaeed (GB), with Derby hero Adayar (Ire) also a noteworthy scalp.

Along with his victory at the highest level, Bay Bridge landed a pair of Group 3 contests over 1m2f and 1m4f, respectively. In winning the G3 Brigadier Gerard, Bay Bridge beat the high-class Mostahdaf (Ire) and Addeybb (Ire).

Bay Bridge is the fourth foal and one of three winners for his dam, the Multiplex (GB) mare Hayyona (GB), herself a half-sister to G2 Prix Eugene Adam winner Shimraan (Fr) (Rainbow Quest).

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IN TON AMERICA TODAY

BELMONT STAKES MOVED TO SARATOGA AND WILL BE RUN AT 1 1/4 MILES

The GI Belmont S. will be run at 1 1/4 miles instead of 1 1/2 miles and will be conducted upstate at Saratoga in 2024, according to New York Governor Kathy Hochul.

TATTERSALLS DECEMBER TOP-PRICED FOALS

PRICE (GNS) f ST MARK'S BASILICA - Talent Jill Lamb/Newsells Park Stud 575,000 **Ashbrittle Stud** c **STARSPANGLEDBANNER** Mosa Mine 450,000 Maywood Stud **MV** Magnier c **WOOTTON BASSETT** Poet's Vanity **Langton Stud Juddmonte Farms** 425,000



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TODAY in



Finders Keepers and Snow Guest, both running in the colours of Theresa Marnane, finished first and second in the Prix de Cuigny (claimer) at Deauville on Wednesday. | Scoop Dyga

ASCOT PRIZE-MONEY RISES TO £17.5M

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A total of £17.5 million will be available in prize-money from Ascot Racecourse in 2024, with Royal Ascot's prize-money rising to £10 million.

HO TAKES LONGINES IJC

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Hong Kong's Vincent Ho won the Longines International Jockeys' Challenge at Happy Valley on Wednesday evening.

RACING AT ROSEHILL LIKELY TO CEASE

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Within the next five years, racing at Rosehill Gardens will likely end.

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Lucky Vega, of course, is in fact one of the entities in which Yulong Investments have been supporting the stock by the stallion and, in cases like Wednesday, mares to visit him in the future.

One of the market leaders to make a booming start with his first two-year-olds next year, Lucky Vega appears to have the continued support of his owner Zhang Yuesheng, with the Chinese businessman signing for the 160,000gns top lot at Park Paddocks on Wednesday.

While the Wednesday trade couldn't match the unblinking excitement the Sceptre Sessions offered 24 hours previously, business remained satisfactory, with the Lucky Vega team once

again bidding online to land the unraced daughter of No Nay Never from Godolphin.

Mufeeda (Ire) (lot 2027) never managed to reach the track but the good-looking No Nay Never filly boasts a strong pedigree, being a daughter of listed winner Zoowraa (GB) (Azamour {Ire}),

and a sister to two black-type performers.

She came out on top on a day where the aggregate dropped off by 14% to 3,650,500 gns. The clearance rate dipped 11% to 78% while there was a further slide in the median and average.

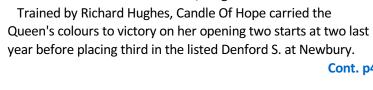
> The median was down 7% to 14,000gns and the average by 9% to 19,418gns.

Japanese Buyers To The **Fore Once More**

The Japanese buyers need less of an introduction at Tattersalls and, off the back of Northern Farms snapping up Group 1 winners Prosperous Voyage (Ire) and Cachet (Ire) at the Sceptre Sessions, the Shadai Corporation landed Candle of Hope (GB) (Cable Bay (Ire)) from the Royal Studs for 100,000gns.

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The daddy of them all: Dubawi, Britain's most successful sire since the start of the Pattern. He's enjoyed another spectacular year, including eight G1 winners, two of them juveniles.

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She also managed to place at listed level on a second occasion. Naohiro Hosoda of the Shadai Corporation commented of lot

1920, "She has black-type and a good race record. She had lots of speed and is good-looking. I am a big fan of Green Desert, who is in the pedigree. We have not decided on her immediate plans."

JS Company Edges Close To 1 Million Spend

Fellow Japanese buyers JS
Company have been busy this
week, notably when going to
560,000gns for Nazanin
(Declaration Of War) in the
Sceptre Sessions, and the overall
haul stood at eight mares at close
of play on Wednesday.

JS Company paid 70,000gns for Lady's Slipper (Fr) (lot 2020), a daughter of Frankel (GB), from Godolphin on Wednesday to bring the overall spend to almost 1 million gns.



Keisuke Onishi | Tattersalls

Keisuke Onishi commented, "She [Lady's Slipper] will be shipped back to Japan and visit a stallion there. The Sunday Silence line could be very suitable for this filly."

He added on Espionne (GB) (lot 2022), a Dubawi filly

purchased from Godolphin for 37,000gns earlier in the day, "There is a lot of selection for her because Dubawi mares are very popular and suitable to Japanese stallions."

JS Company spent 959,000gns on the eight mares all told with Onishi describing trade this week at Tattersalls as competitive.

He said, "The Sceptre Sessions were quite fantastic but also difficult to purchase. We succeeded to buy one and my client was so happy. The other part is, it was very reasonable for us. I had been afraid of the

currency situation--Japanese Yen is not so strong against the British pound but there were reasonably-priced horses here which meant we could participate." **Cont. p5**

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Rampal Ramps Up Support For Chindit

Gaurav Rampal is a familiar face on the Tattersalls sale ground and was as busy as ever this week signing for seven lots under his own name and others more for outside clients.

Included in the outside spend were three mares on behalf of Poonawalla Stud, who is now the home of Chindit (Ire), a dual Group 2 winner for Richard Hannon.

Rampal said, "I have bought for five different clients and have a new client who is new to Tattersalls as well. They are a mix of racing and breeding prospects. It's been a happy buying but tough buying."

He added, "We're very excited about Chindit. He's a strong, solid horse for Dr Poonawalla who had a bit of fun racing him as well. Some of these mares will go to Chindit. He's already in India and has travelled well."

Malka Makes 95k To Stroud

Malka (Ire), a winning daughter of Nathaniel (Ire), was sold on behalf of Normandie Stud by Newsells Park Stud to Anthony Stroud for 95,000gns.

Stroud commented of lot 2047, "She has been bought for Craig Mather and will be trained in France. I am very pleased to have bought from the breeder. Malka comes from a good farm and is by a good stallion."

Buy of the Day

Credit to press bench's Nancy Sexton who, with a mischievous tone, nominated Two In The Pink (Clodovil {Ire}) as being the best buy of the day at Park Paddocks.

While Two In The Pink (lot 1876) may not be winning the best-named racehorse stakes any time soon, few can argue that she wasn't well-bought at just 4,500gns.

A sister to Alben Star (Ire), a rock-solid eight-time winner and all-weather specialist for Richard Fahey, Two In The Pink has already proved herself as a producer.

She's the dam of black-type performer You Are Beautiful (GB) (Adaay {Ire}) while Lambert (GB) (Due Diligence) is a triple winner. Cont. p6



Penny Flanagan (daughter of Mick and Nikki) enjoying her time at Tattersalls on Wednesday. | Tattersalls



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In fact, a brother to Lambert sold particularly well here last week at 52,000gns, as did a Sergei Prokofiev yearling at Book 3 in October for 46,000gns.

That all bodes well for Jerry Horan, who bought Two In The Pink to visit young stallion El Caballo (GB), the G2-winning son of Havana Gold (Ire), set to stand at Culworth Grounds Farm for £6,000 in 2024.

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SESSION TOPPERS

TATTERSALLS DECEMBER MARE SALE

Price (gns) Lot Name Status 2027 Mufeeda (Ire) Horse-out-of-training 160,000

(f, 3, No Nay Never--Zoowraa {GB}, by Azamour {Ire}) Consigned by Godolphin Purchased by Lucky Vega

1920 Candle of Hope (GB) Horse-in-training 100,000 (f, 3, Cable Bay {Ire}--Good Hope {GB}, by Cape Cross {Ire})

Property of The Royal Studs Purchased by Shadai Corporation

2047 Malka (Ire) Horse-in-training 95,000 (f, Nathaniel {Ire}--Carisolo {GB}, by Dubai Millennium {GB}) Consigned by Newsells Park Stud Ltd, Property of Normandie Stud

Purchased by Stroud Coleman Bloodstock

1955 Mariesque (Ire) 80,000 i/f Earthlight (Ire) (m, 5, Lawman {Fr}--Mirielle {Ire}, by Dalakhani {Ire}) Consigned by/property of Ballygallon Stud Purchased by Naseby Bloodstock

70,000 2020 Lady's Slipper (Fr) Horse-out-of-training (f, 3, Frankel {GB}--Golden Lily {Fr}, by Dolphin Street {Fr}) Consigned by Godolphin Purchased by JS Company



CLODOVIL GELDING EARNS STAKES BADGE IN CALIFORNIA

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This week's column is highlighted by the victory of Unconquerable Keen at Del Mar.

Keen Rides Out The Storm At Del Mar

It was another stakes victory for the Phil D'Amato barn with the former European runner Unconquerable Keen (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}) in the Stormy Liberal S. at Del Mar on Saturday (video).

Bred by Nicholas Hartery, the 4-year-old gelding managed a pair of victories in his native land in the colours of his breeder and trainer Michael Halford before changing hands. Now, raced by CYBT, Omar Aldabbagh, and Michael Nentwig, the son of Queenie Keen (Ire) (Refuse To Bend {Ire}), herself out of a halfsister to the stakes winner Duty Paid (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}), is the 26th stakes winner for his sire worldwide.

The son of Danehill has sired seven winners from 13 runners in the U.S. (54%). Cont. p7



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Unconquerable Keen | Benoit Photo

Making Waves Cont.

His other stakes winner in that jurisdiction is GII Santa Ana S. heroine Tuttipaesi (Ire), while both Enchanteresse (Ire) and Laugh Out Loud (GB) have been stakes placed.

Repeat Winners

No Nay Hudson (No Nay Never), a winner of the William Walker S. in May, returned to take a Gulfstream contest for trainer Wesley Ward on Dec. 1 (video). He currently races for Andrew Farm and For the People Racing Stable, LLC.

Featured in the same May edition of Making Waves is current dual Grade I winner **Program Trading (GB)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) who races in the Klaravich Stables' colours. He secured a victory in the GI Hollywood Derby for trainer Chad Brown on Dec. 2 (video).

Already the winner of a Del Mar maiden in September, Zona Verde (Ire) (Calyx {GB}) earned her first stakes victory in the GIII Jimmy Durante S. at Del Mar on Saturday (video).

Almendares (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}), third in the GII Del Mar Derby in September, won for the fourth time in his career at Del Mar on Sunday (*video*). Already a Stateside winner in July, the gelding races for trainer Phil D'Amato and an ownership group of CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig and Ray Pagano.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

ASCOT PRIZE-MONEY INCREASES TO £17.5 MILLION NEXT YEAR

The total prize-money at Ascot Racecourse in 2024 will increase to £17.5 million, the racecourse announced on Wednesday. This marks a 3.9% increase on 2023's total of £16.8 million.

Royal Ascot's prize-money has been raised to an even £10 million, with no races contested at less than £110,000, up from £100,000. All Group 1 races at the iconic stand will be worth £650,000, an increase of £50,000 per race. The affected races include the King Charles III S. (formerly the King's Stand S.), the St James's Palace S., the Gold Cup, the Commonwealth Cup, and the Coronation S.

Nick Smith, Director of Racing and Public Affairs at Ascot Racecourse, said, "We are pleased to be delivering these prizemoney increases in 2024 against a backdrop of uncertainty and an unprecedented number of negative headwinds for the industry. The financial impact on all facets of the industry is already being acutely felt.

"It is, however, crucial for Royal Ascot to maintain its position on the global stage at a time when participants at home and abroad have so many alternative lucrative options away from Britain.

"Whist the main increases have been made to the Royal Meeting to enable us to get to £10 million for the first time, we have made increases in other areas of the programme as well.

"These include increases to fit with the new Premier fixture structure, including at the Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup, where there is a particular focus on maintaining full fields.

"Importantly, no race at Ascot will be run for less than in 2023 including at our Core (non-Premier) fixtures. This is in spite of a reduction in central funding to this element of the programme, which has therefore required further increases in executive contribution."

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NEW AGA KHAN STALLIONS ON SHOW DURING ARQANA'S VENTE D'ELEVAGE

Both multiple Group 1 winner Vadeni (Fr) (Churchill {Ire}) and Group 2 winner Erevann (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}) will be on show at The Aga Khan Studs' Haras de Bonneval during the upcoming Argana Breeding Stock Sale from Thursday, Dec. 7 to Monday, Dec. 11 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Cont. p8



Vadeni | Scoop Dyga

Vadeni/Erevann Cont.

A shuttle service will be available from Arqana to the stud running at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day. To book your visit, please see the Aga Khan Studs team in Yard P at Arqana or, alternatively, contact Fanny Cypres on +33 6 88 99 30 93.

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RACING TOGETHER INDUSTRY DAY TO RETURN IN FEBRUARY

The Racing Together Industry Day will be held at Chester Racecourse on Feb. 8, the organisation announced on Wednesday.

The 2024 edition will take place at Chester Racecourse and will consist of a variety of speakers from both within and outside the racing industry. Conor McGinn, co-chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Racing and Bloodstock will open the day and will be joined by speakers from the sports of rugby and cricket. This year the event will be kindly supported by Gallagher's Insurance, who will be exploring the ideas of corporate sponsorship in the Community Engagement Space. For tickets--currently £75 until Jan. 12 when the price increases to £85--and to find out more, please visit the Racing Together website.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Thursday, Dec. 7, 2023:
UNITED KINGDOM
Advertise (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Manton Park Stud

103 foals of racing age
12:12-SOUTHWELL, 8f, Minstrel Knight (GB)
€98,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; 80,000gns RNA
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2022; 75,000gns
Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2023

Inns of Court (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
169 foals of racing age
12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Rust E Boy (Ire)
€37,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022

Le Brivido (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 39 foals of racing age 12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Calafrio (GB) 40,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2023

Masar (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud 104 foals of racing age 12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Parson's Meadow (GB) 32,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022; 45,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2023

Soldier's Call (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud 121 foals of racing age 12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Alibi Warning (Ire) 5,500gns Tattersalls December Mare Sale 2023 12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Lotting's Lass (Ire) €14,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022

Ten Sovereigns (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud 150 foals of racing age 12:12-SOUTHWELL, 8f, John L Sullivan (Ire) €52,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; €70,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale 2022; 1,000gns Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale 2023

Too Darn Hot (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud 120 foals of racing age 12:47-SOUTHWELL, 6f, Pickled Pepper (GB)

FRANCE

Calyx (GB) (Kingman {GB}), Coolmore Stud
103 foals of racing age
7-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Sogniamo (Fr)
€74,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2022

City Light (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Haras d'Etreham 90 foals of racing age 7-CHANTILLY, 1900m, City Sky (Fr) €21,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2022
1-CHANTILLY, 1600m, Indie Bright (Fr)
€1,000 RNA Arqana Deauville February Mixed Sale 2022;
€11,000 Arqana Deauville September Yearling Sale 2022
7-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Salma (Fr)
€22,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2021 - English

Version; €30,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2022

Fas (Ire) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), Haras de Saint-Vincent 30 foals of racing age 7-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Zvikova (Fr)

Ten Sovereigns (Ire) (No Nay Never), Coolmore Stud 150 foals of racing age 7-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Rule the Surf (Fr)



Le Brivido | Emma Berry

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

HOW THEY FARED

12.30 Lingfield, £6,600, Nov, 2yo, f, 8f 1y (AWT)

Qatar Racing's hitherto unraced **Kaleidoscope (GB) (Kingman {GB})**, a half-sister to G3 Athasi S. winner Lightening Quick (GB) (Frankel {GB}) out of G1 Cheveley Park S. victrix Lightening Pearl (Ire) (Marju {Ire}), justified 2-1 favouritism and registered a comfortable three-length success.

13.00 Lingfield, £6,600, Nov, 2yo, f, 8f 1y (AWT)

John and Thady Gosden trainee Friendly Soul (GB) (Kingman (GB)), kin to elite-level winners We Are (Ire) (Dansili (GB)), With

You (GB) (Dansili {GB}) and Call The Wind (GB) (Frankel {GB}), was a late withdrawal from this intended unveiling.

17.30 Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 2yo, 8f (AWT)

Godolphin newcomer **El Cordobes (Ire) (Frankel {GB})**, who is out of a half-sister to G1 Haydock Sprint Cup heroine Tante Rose (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}), was handily placed throughout this debut and faded late to finish sixth.

18.00 Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 2yo, 8f (AWT)

Kalidasa (GB) (Frankel {GB}), a 2.8-million guineas son of G1 Prix de l'Opera third So Mi Dar (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), was scratched from this intended debut.

BRITAIN

Wednesday's Results:

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF HYDE S.-Listed, £50,000, Kempton, 12-6, 3yo/up, 8f (AWT), 1:37.41, st/sl.

1--GREY'S MONUMENT (GB), 131, c, 3, Territories (Ire)--Matron Of Honour (Ire), by Teofilo (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (20,000gns RNA Wlg '20 TATFOA; €65,000 Ylg '21 GOFOR). O-Miss Tracey Ashbee; B-W A Tinkler (GB); T-Ralph Beckett; J-Hector Crouch. £28,355. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 11-3-2-3, \$92,594.

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- 2--**Tempus (GB)**, 132, g, 7, Kingman (GB)--Passage of Time (GB), by Dansili (GB). (25,000gns 5yo '21 TATHRA). O-Hambleton Racing Ltd XXXI & Partner; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd. (GB); T-Archie Watson. £10,750.
- 3--Majestic Pride (GB), 131, g, 3, Shamardal--Gonbarda (Ger), by Lando (Ger). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O/B-Godolphin (GB); T-Charlie Appleby. £5,380.

Margins: 1 3/4, NO, 1HF. Odds: 12.00, 7.50, 2.00.

Also Ran: Makinmedoit (Ire), Alrehb, Al Mubhir (GB), Another Romance (Ire), Lightship (Ire). DNF: Positive Impact (Ire).

Grey's Monument, who ran second in last term's G3 Horris Hill S., was denied by a nose in Sandown's May 16 Listed Heron S. and came back off a 152-day break to hit the board in an Oct. 15 Goodwood handicap last time. Occupying a forward position in second from the outset of this fourth black-type start, he came under pressure to challenge passing the quarter-mile marker and was ridden out once seizing control approaching the final furlong to defeat dual Group 3 winner Tempus for a career high.

Grey's Monument is the third of six foals and lone winner out of an unraced half-sister to G1 Racing Post Trophy-winning sire Casamento (Ire) (Shamardal) and the dam of dual Group 1-winning sire Toronado (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}). Cont. p10



Grey's Monument | Racingfotos.com

Listed Hyde S. Cont.

His second dam is Listed Prix Saraca victrix and G3 Prix du Calvados and G3 Prix Vanteaux third Wedding Gift (Fr) (Always Fair), herself out of a half-sister to MGISP sire Regency (GB) (Dancing Brave) and G1 Oaks third Britannia's Rule (Ire) (Blakeney {GB}). The February-foaled bay is a half-brother to the unraced 2-year-old colt Give It To Me Oj (GB) (Time Test {GB}), a yearling colt by Land Force (Ire) and a weanling colt by Lope Y Fernandez (Ire).

1st-Kempton, £6,800, Nov, 12-6, 2yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:28.16, st. ARISAIG (GB) (f, 2, Harry Angel {Ire}--Magic Nymph {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}), who backed up an Oct. 5 debut tally at Chelmsford with an eighth in Deauville's Nov. 5 Listed Priz Zeddaan last time, broke sharply and led from the outset here. In command for the most part, the 5-2 chance came under pressure when headed by D Flawless (Ire) (Make Believe {GB}) approaching the final furlong and rallied gamely to deny that rival by a nose in a bobbing finish. Arisaig is the eighth of nine foals and fourth scorer produced by an unraced daughter of G1 Coronation S. heroine Balisada (GB) (Kris {GB}). The April-foaled chestnut is a half-sister to GSW G1 Cox Plate and G1 Jebel Hatta placegetter Folkswood (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) and a weanling colt by New Bay (GB). Sales history: 6,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$9,212.

O-Chasemore Farm; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-Charlie Johnston.

3rd-Kempton, £**6,800**, **Nov**, 12-6, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.02, st/sl. **KAMBOO** (**IRE**) (**c**, **2**, **Awtaad** {**Ire**}--**Quiritis** {**GB**}, **by Galileo** {**Ire**}), who ran sixth over course and distance in his Nov. 15 debut last time, asserted for an early lead in this second start. Holding sway throughout, the 9-4 chance came under pressure

approaching the quarter-mile marker and ran on strongly inside the final furlong to easily outpoint Sardinian Warrior (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn}) by three lengths. Kamboo is the eighth of 10 foals and fourth scorer produced by an unraced full-sister to G3 Queen's Vase victor and G1 St Leger and G1 Melbourne Cup placegetter Mahler (GB) (Galileo {Ire}). The May-foaled bay is a half-brother to stakes-winning G2 British Champions Long Distance Cup third Sir Erec (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), a yearling colt by Camelot (GB) and a weanling colt by Space Blues (Ire). Sales history: 52,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE; €90,000 Ylg '22 GOFOR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,625.

O-Abdulla Al Mansoori; B-GCE Farm Ltd (IRE); T-Richard Hughes.

4th-Kempton, £**6,800**, **Nov**, 12-6, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:40.22, st/sl. IMMORTAL KNIGHT (IRE) (c, 2, Saxon Warrior {Jpn}--Pour Deux {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}) tracked the leaders in a handy fourth for most of this debut. Scrubbed along approaching the two pole, the 4-1 chance went second with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and quickened smartly in the latter stages to deny Fighter Command (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) by a length nearing the line. Immortal Knight, half to a weanling colt by Camelot (GB), is the third of four foals out of a winning full-sister to Listed Prix Amandine third Galateia (Ire) (Dansili {GB}). The March-foaled bay's dam Pour Deux (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) is also a half-sister to MGSW G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere and G1 Criterium International placegetter Ancient Rome (War Front) and G3 Naas Juvenile Fillies Sprint victrix Etoile (War Front), herself the dam of multiple stakes winner No Nay Mets (Ire) (No Nay Never). Sales history: €60,000 Ylg '22 GOFFEB; 300,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,625.

O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-J Kehoe (IRE); T-Roger Varian.

3rd-Lingfield, £6,600, Nov, 12-6, 2yo, f, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:36.68, st. **KALEIDOSCOPE (GB) (f, 2, Kingman {GB}--Lightening Pearl {Ire} {G1SW-Eng & GSW-Ire, \$219,015}, by Marju {Ire})** broke swiftly from the outside stall and raced prominently throughout this debut. Inching ahead off the home turn, the 2-1 favourite was shaken up approaching the furlong pole and quickened stylishly in the latter stages to easily account for Sea Ice (Ire) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) by three lengths. Kaleidoscope is the latest of seven foals and sixth scorer from as many runners out of G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine Lightening Pearl (Ire) (Marju {Ire}), herself a full-sister to dual Group 1-winning sire Satono Crown (Jpn). The January-foaled homebred bay is a half-sister to G3 Athasi S. victrix Lightening Quick (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and the stakes-placed Matenro Diva (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,489.

O-Qatar Racing Ltd; B-Qatar Bloodstock Ltd (GB); T-J & T Gosden.

4th-Lingfield, £**6,600, Nov**, 12-6, 2yo, f, 8f 1y (AWT), 1:38.58, st.

COMPLETED (GB) (f, 2, Night Of Thunder {Ire}--Zoella, by Invincible Spirit {Ire}), who ran second in seven-furlong starts at Southwell and Newcastle in October, broke sharply and tanked along in second after the initial exchanges of this one. Sent to the front at the top of the straight, the 7-4 second choice was not for catching thereafter and kept on strongly inside the final furlong to prevail by three lengths from Fair Point (GB) (Farhh {GB}). Completed is the fourth of six foals and third scorer produced by a winning half-sister to G3 Prix de Lieurey victrix Zibelina (Ire) and Listed Doncaster Trophy winner Floristry (GB) (Fasliyev). Zibelina is the dam of Group 3 winners Royal Fleet (GB) (Dubawi (Ire) and Royal Crusade (GB) (Shamardal) while Floristry's trio of stakes performers is headed by MGSW G2 Blue Point Sprint S. winner Lazuli (Ire) (Dubawi (Ire)). The February-foaled bay is half to a yearling filly by Waldgeist (GB) and a weanling colt by A'Ali (Ire). Sales history: 100,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$8,535.

O-Yuesheng Zhang; B-Newsells Park Stud (GB); T-Karl Burke.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

5th-Kempton, £**6,800**, **Nov**, 12-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (AWT), 1:42.21, st/sl.

TWIRLING (IRE) (f, 3, Churchill {Ire}--Turning Top {Ire} {GSW & GISP-US, \$330,443}, by Pivotal {GB}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$10,702. O-Mrs Doreen Tabor; B-Chelston Ireland (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

FRANCE

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Timetoshine (Fr), f, 3, The Grey Gatsby (Ire)--This Time (Fr) (GSW-Fr, \$162,438), by Zafeen (Fr). Deauville, 12-6, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:56.59. B-Haras de Saint Julien & Mme Antoinette Tamagni (FR).

IRELAND

Wednesday's Results:

3rd-Dundalk, €**22,000**, Cond, 12-6, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:27.92, st. **PORT AUGUSTA (GB) (c, 2, Zoustar {Aus}--Ship Of Dreams {Ire} {SW & MGSP-Ire}, by Lope De Vega {Ire})**, who graduated over six furlongs at this venue in his Nov. 17 debut, recovered from a tardy start to race in a prominent third after the early shuffling. Bustled along soon after turning for home, the 10-3 chance

came under sterner urging approaching the final furlong and kept on in relentless fashion to deny Finbar Furey (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) by a neck in the dying strides. "We think he's a very good horse, a good tough horse with a good attitude," said Michael Browne. "It was a nice performance, we like him a lot and I'd say he'll go further as well. He's a beautiful looking horse and he's by the right sire as well. We're delighted with him and he'll probably be sold now." Port Augusta, half-brother to a yearling colt by Kameko and a weanling colt by Kingman (GB), is the second of four foals and lone scorer produced by the dual Group 3-placed Listed Navigation S. victrix Ship Of Dreams (Ire) (Lope De Vega (Ire)). Descendants of the March-foaled chestnut's G3 Killavullan S.-winning third dam Sedulous (Ire) (Tap On Wood {Ire}) include MG1SW sire Shirocco (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and G1 Deutsches Derby placegetters Storm Trooper (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}), Subiaco (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and So Moonstruck (Ger) (Sea The Moon {Ger}). Sales history: 75,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$28,341.

O-Miss Tracey Kearney; B-The Ship Of Dreams Partnership (GB); T-Willie Browne.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Tarsus (Ire), g, 2, Kuroshio (Aus)--Cilicia (Ire), by Dandy Man (Ire). Dundalk, 12-6, 7f (AWT), :59.98. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$10,346. B-Ballybeg Stud (IRE).

WORLDWIDE NEWS

'HO'-MEGROWN SUCCESS IN THE LONGINES

IJC by Alan Carasso

Jockey Vincent Ho made history Wednesday night at iconic Happy Valley Racecourse on Hong Kong Island, becoming the first 'homegrown' rider to take out the prestigious Longines International Jockeys' Championship.

With a narrow victory over Zac Purton in the fourth and final leg of the series, Ho amassed a total of 20 points to Purton's 18, with Australia's Rachel King and the locally based South African Lyle Hewitson on 16 points. King was declared outright third, with her victory in the first leg of the competition and an additional third-place finish in the finale trumping Hewitson's three minor placings.

To say it has been an eventful last four months in the life of Vincent Ho would be an understatement of monumental proportions.

Ho Wins Longines IJC Cont.

The 33-year-old graduate of the HKJC's Apprentice Jockeys' School, who is best known for his affiliation with three-time Horse of the Year Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro), announced his intentions to participate in the Shergar Cup at Ascot in August and was planning on riding at Goodwood as a warm-up as well. But he was seriously injured in a spill in late July when riding on a short-term stint at Niigata in Japan, resulting in a fractured vertebra, whiplash and a pneumothorax

on his lung, *Asian Racing Report* wrote in August.

Despite the severity of the injuries, Ho was back in time for the third meeting of the new season in Hong Kong, only to be suspended in early October for 10 meetings for failing to sufficiently ride out his mount in a dead-heat victory, a penalty later cut to eight while being forced to pay a fine of HK\$120,000 in lieu of the two extra dates. He returned to the saddle on Nov. 12 and still managed to book his spot in the IJC, in which he had finished alone

in third in 2019 and a joint-third with fellow local rider Derek Leung last year.

But it was King, making her IJC debut, who struck first for Melbourne Cup-winning conditioner David Hall aboard 9-1 outsider Oversubscribed (Aus) (Reward For Effort {Aus}) (video), who--as reported by HKJC commentator Tom Wood--was making his fourth straight appearance in the Class 4 over the 1000 metres.

"He was probably the perfect start to riding here at Happy Valley," said King, who narrowly missed winning this year's World Series Jockeys at Sapporo. "He's looked after me and did everything for me."

Speaking after her third placing was confirmed, King added, "I think it was a good first effort. The atmosphere at Happy Valley is unbelievable and I really enjoyed it."

Ryan Moore, a two-time IJC winner and three times its runnerup, had his best scoring chance in the second leg of the IJC and duly obliged aboard 8-5 favourite M Unicorn (NZ) (Savabeel {Aus}) for the training King of Happy Valley Caspar Fownes, spearing through from between rivals before proving a slashing winner (video). Moore was himself injured in a fall at Kyoto Nov. 19.

Leading Hong Kong jockey Zac Purton was downplaying his chances for a third IJC in the last four years prior to the event,

but put himself into the reckoning with an inspired stalk-and-pounce ride aboard Silver Sonic (Aus) (Exosphere {Aus}) for Golden Sixty's trainer Francis Lui at odds just north of 8-1 (video).

Half of the 12 riders remained in with chances to varying degrees entering the IJC finale over 1200 metres. From an outside alley, Ho kicked the in-form David Hayes-trained Tomodachi Kokoroe (Aus) (Written Tycoon {Aus}) straight into the lead, set a steady pace and just held off Purton's mount

Kaholo Angel (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) to secure the victory (video).

The always humble Ho learned he'd won only during the post-race debrief with the HKJC's Nick Child.

"I was not aware [I had won] and I didn't even know about the points, I just kept riding every race to have a winning chance," said Ho. "I felt the track today favoured the front-runners a little bit so that definitely helped and of course Mr Hayes' team did a great job and helped me win this.

"As the first homegrown of

LONGINES

Vincent Ho lifts the IJC trophy for the first time | HKJC photo

course I received plenty of support here and hopefully it will inspire more kids."

Ho, whose two HKIR successes came aboard Golden Sixty in the Hong Kong Mile in 2020 and 2021, also rides Senor Toba (Aus) (Toronado {Ire}) in the Hong Kong Vase and the progressive Straight Arron (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) in the Hong Kong Cup, both for former boss Fownes.

Moore's 12 points was good for fifth place, Tom Marquand's best finish was a fourth in leg three and Hollie Doyle posted a pair of fifth-place finishes. Yuga Kawada, James McDonald, Bauyrzhan Murzabayev and Karis Teetan also failed to point.

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RACING AT ROSEHILL TO CEASE

bv TTR AusNZ

Late on Wednesday, news broke of the imminent closure of Rosehill Gardens, which has hosted racing since 1885 and showcases major races like the G1 Golden Slipper S. and G1 Golden Rose S.

The Guardian reported that a memorandum of understanding between the New South Wales Government and the Australian Turf Club (ATC) will result in the latter developing the site into a 25,000-dwelling 'mini city', complete with a school and other infrastructure projects. **Cont. p13**

Rosehill Cont.

If the proposal goes ahead, Rosehill could cease to exist as a racing venue in five years.

Veteran trainer Gerald Ryan spoke to *The Thoroughbred Report* in the hours following the news breaking, telling this publication that there are positives to be gleaned from the shock announcement.

"I reckon as much as I hate losing Rosehill, because I love Rosehill, as far as racing going forward, it's terrific," he said.

"Now I've digested everything they put forward, I think it's terrific, it's progress."

With the focus now shifting to Warwick Farm and Canterbury Park, Ryan weighed in on the topic of what to do with racing in Sydney's west given there's an end in sight for Rosehill.

"I'm not a big wrap on building grandstands and making them all pretty, I'm a big wrap for improving racecourses," he said.

According to a statement seen by *The Thoroughbred Report*, the deal will result in A\$5 billion of investment directly into the existing ATC portfolio, with the aim being to 'future-proof' the racing industry.



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ATC Chairman Peter McGauran, who has previously held roles such as the Chief Executive Officer of Racing Australia and the Federal Member for Gippsland, the latter an office he occupied for 25 years, had the following to say, "This future-proofs Sydney racing for a century to come.

"It will cement Sydney racing as the best, most modern and financially secure jurisdiction anywhere in the world.

"All of the NSW racing industry from the trainers, jockeys, stablehands, staff, to our members and all racegoers will reap the benefits.

"This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to secure racing, along

with the ATC contributing to the community and economy in helping to ease the housing shortage in Sydney."

According to the same statement, monies raised by the ATC will go to a range of initiatives, in an attempt to minimise the impact of losing the near 150-year-old venue.

Plans to create a centre of excellence at Horsley Park have been floated, which is the expected destination for trainers currently utilising Rosehill.

Also documented are concepts for a new 'world-class' racecourse development at an unspecified location, as well as extensive redevelopments to Canterbury Park and Warwick Farm's tracks, and increased stabling facilities at Royal Randwick.

The statement outlines a timeline of racing and training to be removed from the venue by the "end of the decade," giving participants a timeline of six years and one month for when the course will be closed for the final time.

New South Wales Premier Chris Minns has been searching for answers for a widening housing crisis, and told *The Guardian* of his belief that this development will benefit the current housing pressures, but also racing in the state.

"The ATC sees this as a chance to secure the future of racing in NSW," Minns told the *Sydney Morning Herald*.

"The government sees this as an opportunity to put its money where its mouth is and build more housing, close to transport links, with plenty of green space for new families."

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BELMONT STAKES OFFICIALLY SHIFTS TO SARATOGA IN 2024, RUN AT 1 1/4 MILES



Saratoga gate | Sarah Andrew

New York Governor Kathy Hochul made it official that the 2024 GI Belmont S. will be held for the first time at Saratoga Race Course and be run at 1 1/4 miles to allow for the uninterrupted construction of a new and re-imagined Belmont Park, the governor said in a release Wednesday.

"As part of the exciting modernization of Belmont Park, Saratoga now adds to its storied history by hosting the third leg of the Triple Crown," Gov. Hochul said. "It's a win for horse racing and for the Capital Region to have the excitement and the ability to host the four-day Festival in June at America's most historic track. As I said during the 2023 Saratoga Meet, 'Let's do it.'"

Highlighted by the 156th edition of the Belmont S. on Saturday, June 8, the 2024 Belmont Stakes Racing Festival will begin on Thursday, June 6 and continue through Sunday, June 9. The four-day Festival at Saratoga Race Course will include 23 stakes races in total with purses totaling \$9.7 million, the highest purse levels and number of stakes offered since the launch of the multi-day event in 2014.

The New York Racing Association (NYRA) will increase the purse of the Belmont S. from \$1.5 million to \$2 million in 2024, which is the first significant increase since 2014. *Cont. p3*

AMID DAUNTING INDUSTRY ISSUES, A MESSAGE TO SYMPOSIUM STUDENTS:

DON'T GIVE UP by T.D. Thornton

A panel discussion titled "From Data to Dollars: Understanding Horse Racing's Economic Impact As Racing's Future is Questioned" during Wednesday's Global Symposium on Racing hosted by the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program (RTIP) led off with moderator Alan Foreman confronting "the elephant in the room that we dodge."

Foreman, the chairman and chief executive officer of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, said racing is facing an "existential moment" at a time when industry stakeholders increasingly must make the case for the sport's so-called social license to exist in the face of intense pressure from anti-racing activists and a younger generation of Americans who hold the belief that animal-based entertainment is more cruel than cool.

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2023 in photos: November 27. The full moon rises behind the Nashua weathervane atop Keeneland's sales pavilion. | Sarah Andrew

TAX ADVICE FROM THE GREEN GROUP

The Green Group shares ways to help you approach the 2023 home stretch while maximizing your tax deductions and minimizing your taxes.

OAKLAWN DESIGNATES INTRA-ARTICULAR INJECTION AREA 10

HISA and Oaklawn Park have launched a new pilot program under which a designated area will be available for veterinarians to administer any intra-articular corticosteroid injections at the racetrack during the track's 2023-24 race season beginning Friday.



Belmont to Saratoga, cont. from p1

In addition, pending the approval of the North American Graded Stakes Committee, the race will be contested at 1 1/4 miles in 2024 rather than the traditional 1 1/2 miles due to the configuration of Saratoga's main track.

"Thanks to Governor Hochul's support for a new and modernized Belmont Park, NYRA will soon be able to bring the Belmont S. to Upstate New York for the first time in history. Beyond the excitement and energy around a Triple Crown event at the sport's most beloved venue, the Belmont S. at Saratoga Race Course will generate important economic impact and drive tourism throughout the Capital Region," said NYRA's President and CEO David O'Rourke. "We are thrilled to add a new chapter to the story of Thoroughbred racing in Saratoga Springs this June."

Earlier this year, Governor Hochul's Executive Budget included a proposal for NYRA to build new Thoroughbred racing facilities at Belmont Park; the FY2024 Enacted Budget granted that approval. This project will transform the 117-year-old track, bringing the modern hospitality offerings fans expect while generating \$1 billion in construction-related impacts, 3,700 construction jobs, \$155 million in annual economic activity, and 740 new full-time jobs. Upgrading Belmont, which sustains 19,000 jobs across the state and a \$3-billion annual economic impact, will also dramatically expand the amount of open space available to fans and the surrounding community.

Following the conclusion of the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival at Saratoga, the NYRA circuit will return to Aqueduct Racetrack for the remainder of the spring meet before racing shifts to Saratoga for the annual 40-day summer meet beginning Thursday, July 11. Prior to the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival, the Belmont Spring/Summer meet will be conducted at Aqueduct. The fall meet customarily held at Belmont Park will again be shifted to Aqueduct Racetrack in 2024 while construction of a new Belmont Park continues.

While 2024 will mark the first time the Belmont S. unfolds at Saratoga, the race was moved to Aqueduct Racetrack from 1963-1967 when Belmont Park last underwent significant renovations, and the distance has been adjusted throughout history, with the most recent change coming in 2020 when the Triple Crown was modified because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Additional information and details on hospitality offerings, ticket packages and pricing for the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival at Saratoga Race Course will be available in early 2024.

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"It's not about foal crop. It's not about field size. It's not about whether we have a core product," Foreman said, ticking down the list of the common concerns that industry insiders often debate.

"The single biggest issue right now [is] should the federal government, and should our state legislatures, continue to support our business?" Foreman said.

Foreman then rephrased his rhetorical question more bluntly so there would be no misunderstanding: "Is it time to end horse racing in this country?"

Foreman certainly doesn't think so, and neither did the panelists who joined him at the podium.



Alan Foreman | Veronica Branson

But the group did try to offer pearls of wisdom as to how industry stakeholders might fight back when confronted with that question.

Their answers largely centered on the sharing of strategies for getting across the industry's far-reaching scale and the potential ramifications of ceasing racing, and several speakers even articulated how some entities in the sport have effectively lobbied their respective states to secure financial incentives, bolster racing programs, and modernize facilities, like the currently underway rebuild of Belmont Park and the planned re-imagining of Pimlico Race Course.

Foreman pointed out that even though there is now federal oversight in the form of the Horseracing and Safety Act (HISA) Authority, racing in the United States remains primarily a state-sanctioned business, and how much of the industry operates under laws that were enacted for vastly different economic reasons decades ago than what we face now.

Every year at about this time when applying for next season's racing dates, Foreman said, track operators increasingly have to defend why their states should support our sport's way of doing business. *Cont.*



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Symposium, cont.

"The point is, what the state giveth, the state can taketh," Foreman summed up.

And demonstrating that we are upholding that "social license" must take the form of deeds and not just words, Foreman said. He and the other panelists also concurred that the sport's narrative also must be backed up by accurate economic data, which helps to drive home points to legislators and regulators.



Julie Broadway | Horsephotos

What we need to successfully convey, Foreman said, is "if you talk about the economics of this business; the value of horse racing to the economies, of our local communities, of our states, of our country...I think that we can overcome this very challenging environment that we are in."

Julie Broadway is the president of the American Horse Council (AHC), a national organization whose work and data helps not only racing stakeholders, but everything equine-centric in the country, under a scope that ranges from broad national issues to smaller initiatives at the local government level.

"You cannot sit still and sit back and wait for people in [government] to figure out what goes on in our industry and what it's all about," was Broadway's assessment of how to approach dealing with politicians who can help usher through changes via legislation.

Regardless of the level of government, Broadway said the approach is largely the same. Getting your message across means 1) educating decision-makers; 2) setting context and dispelling misinformation and inaccuracies about your position; 3) stating the positive and pointing out unintended and/or negative consequences, and 4) making the overall narrative relatable and personal.

Those points are all underpinned by being armed with the proper data, Broadway said. *Cont.*



Symposium, cont.

Najja Thompson, the executive director of the New York Thoroughbred Breeders, said that a lot of times when racing people go in to make their cases to legislators, they have to be aware that they'll be dealing with a lower-level staffer at first. "And they're not listening to me unless I have the data to implore them to get their representative to speak to me directly on why racing is important in New York," he said.



Najji Thompson | Fasig-Tipton

But, Broadway added, racing industry stakeholders can't benefit from that data if they don't join in to help compile it.

Broadway gave the example of a recently undertaken AHC economic impact study that sought to include feedback from the racing industry. The data will eventually be used to underscore the importance of horse racing within America's larger equine population, and it will be available for anyone who wants to cite it in making their case for support from legislators.

Yet only four Thoroughbred tracks responded.

"This survey was out for more than six months," Broadway explained. "I'm sad to say that the Thoroughbred racing industry had a really low response rate. I mean, we really had to beg for data."

Broadway contrasted that with participation from the harness racing industry, "because they really stepped up. They are getting their own breakout report just on Standardbred racing [that will] cut across all states where Standardbred racing occurs."

Lonny Powell, the chief executive officer of the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' & Owners' Association, said he was stunned to hear that support from Thoroughbred tracks was so low.

"That's amazing. That's tough. How are we going to tell our story if nobody's even trying?" Powell said. *Cont.*



Life is Good

HIS RECEPTION AT STUD...

MORE THAN

70

GSW/GS PRODUCERS

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SIX-FIGURE STALLIONS	MARES BRED IN 2023				
Uncle Mo	234				
Justify	222				
Not This Time	200				
LIFE IS GOOD	192				
Good Magic	179				
Constitution	172				
Into Mischief	172				
Gun Runner	166				
Flightline	152				
Curlin	122				
Quality Road	109				
Tapit	100				
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NORTH AMERICAN RACING

CORNICHE'S HALF-SISTER LLORONA EFFORTLESS AT DEL MAR, NOW A 'TDN RISING STAR'



Llorona | Benoit

by J.N. Campbell

Over the same surface where her half-brother Corniche (Quality Road) earned GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile glory en route to champion 2-year-old colt honors, it was Llorona (Mendelssohn) who effortlessly broke her maiden in the Friday opener at Del Mar's seaside oval. For her handiwork, the dark bay filly became a newly minted 'TDN Rising Star'.

The Richard Mandella trainee at odds of 2-5 broke alertly and vied for the lead outside two others up the backstretch. As the far turn arrived, Llorona clearly had more to give and at the quarter pole she began to increase her margin. With Flavien Prat serving as passenger at this point, his mount appeared to glide along as she coasted home by 5 3/4 lengths over **Make It Snow** (Empire Maker).

1st-Del Mar, \$62,000, Msw, 12-1, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.80, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

LLORONA, f, 3, by Mendelssohn

1st Dam: Wasted Tears (MGSW & GISP, \$941,463), by Najran

2nd Dam: Wishes and Roses, by Greinton (GB) 3rd Dam: Anniversary Wish, by Beau's Eagle

Sales History: \$750,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,600. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O-Bart B. Evans and Robert M. Evans; B-Bart Evans & Stonehaven Steadings (KY); T-Richard E. Mandella.

2023 LEADING 2-YEAR-OLD SIRES

Rĸ	SIRE	2024 FEE	WNRS	BTWs	BTHs	EARNINGS
1	JUSTIFY (2015)	Private	24	8	13	\$4,677,238
	Scat Daddy					
2	Constitution (2011)	\$110,000	28	3	5	\$2,474,720
	Tapit					A POSSO CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF
3	Gun Runner (2013)	\$250,000	14	5	8	\$2,314,479
	Candy Ride					
4	MENDELSSOHN 201	5) \$15,000	28	2	7	\$2,264,741
ÿ.	Scat Daddy					
5	Into Mischief (2005)	\$250,000	16	2	4	\$2,233,623
	Harlan's Holiday	446.00			100	la de

Bargain of the year at \$15,000!

Bloodhorse.com, 12/3/23

MENDELSSOHN

GRADE 1-WINNING 2YO BY **SCAT DADDY**. HALF-BROTHER TO **INTO MISCHIEF**.



Symposium, cont

"I'm always a track guy," Powell continued, alluding to his years in track management prior to a career turn toward executive jobs with industry

entities. "And I just don't get it. I don't get why you wouldn't want to tell the story."

Tom Rooney, the president and chief executive officer of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, pointed out that being a reliable broker of data is important, but that you need to also skillfully be able to tell the story of those numbers in a narrative form to get your point across to non-racing listeners.

"Clearly, the data is about jobs. It's about farms. It's about these things that we're used to going

away, and maybe having to change the way that we work," Rooney said. "If you work in the horse racing industry, you're kind of the subculture of skills that's probably applicable [in] very few other places. So we live in our own world, and we

wouldn't be here if we didn't think that world was a good and beautiful endeavor to belong to."

Added Powell: "You've got to be able to tell somebody what

the consequences are if your industry goes away."

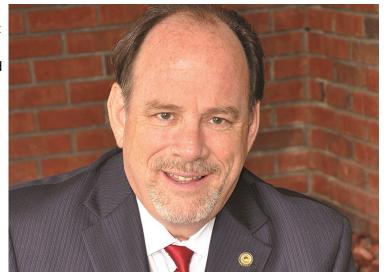
Powell also pointed out that reams of data are great, but that time in front of legislators is limited, so racing stakeholders need to distill it into

got to believe it. You've got to have confidence in it. And you really have to care about the industry you're talking about. Otherwise, it's just a study," Powell said. "Make your story our industry."

manageable, relatable chunks. "You've got to know it. You've relatable to those that aren't in

Lonny Powell | Serita Hult Several panel participants underscored that people in racing have to take the time to forge personal bonds with legislators so the sport's stakeholders can be viewed as trusted sources.

Cont.





Symposium, cont

In other words, don't go seeking help from politicians for the first time only when "your back's against the wall," Powell cautioned.

"Are you kidding me? You've got to develop relationships. That takes years," Powell said.

Foreman stressed that the racing industry needs to hone (and often repeat) the message that the sport is an economic engine, and that the money it generates often gets reinvested back into the community in ways that aren't apparent to legislators.

"Here's something that very rarely gets talked about, but legislators love to hear this," Foreman said. "Racing is a community. We take care of our people," he continued, giving examples of how in his home state of Maryland, the horsemen's health system provides full health care for the people who work in racing.

"That is something that doesn't fall back on the local economy, that doesn't fall back on social services. It doesn't fall back on the state," Foreman said. "It's the racing industry that supports that. We take care of the people who work with us, [and] that resonates with legislators. And that's why they're willing to support the industry, because they understand the local impact that it has."

To get that story across to political decision-makers, Foreman said, "we combined the economic impact with the social license aspects of it, and that's the takeaway."

Powell, however, had a different message to impart, speaking directly to RTIP students. He prefaced his comments by letting the RTIP majors know that he is a graduate of that program who was attending his 41st edition of the annual symposium, and that he understood how some of the presentations over the past two days that focused primarily on industry problems might be giving students second thoughts about pursuing a career in the sport.

"Don't change your major," Powell implored them, his voice at times cracking with emotion. "That's exactly why you're needed in leadership. That's exactly why you're needed in this business. Because we need people that believe you can make progress versus 'ride it all out.'

"It's difficult. It's changing," Powell said of horse racing. "But you can't give up."

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BONUS DEPRECIATION CHANGES ON THE WAY

Bonus Depreciation, a tax incentive designed to stimulate business investment that allows the taxpaying company to accelerate the depreciation of qualifying assets, such as equipment, horses etc., will be reduced from the current 80% to 60% in 2024. The NTRA encourages racetracks, farms and other industry businesses to consult their tax advisors on how to best utilize this incentive prior to yearend.

Benefits of 80% Bonus Depreciation in 2023

- Allows businesses to deduct 80% of the cost of qualifying property used for business purposes from taxable income.
- Regular depreciation may be claimed on the remaining 20%.
- Can result in significant first-year tax savings for businesses.
- Helps with cash flow management by freeing up cash that would otherwise be tied up in depreciation expenses over multiple years.







SOUND TAX ADVICE FROM THE GREEN GROUP AS THE WIRE APPROACHES

by Len Green, CPA and John Wollenberg, CPA

In racing, it's not over until the horse crosses the wire. The same is true with maximizing your tax deductions and minimizing your taxes. For those who think it is too late to save on your 2023 taxes, The Green Group is here to tell you, it's not!

With over 40 years of experience and our knowledge of the new tax laws, we are confident the following information will assist as you approach the 2023 home stretch.

Impact of Recent Tax Acts on the Horse Industry

- 1. Recent Tax Acts contain favorable developments for depreciating and expensing yearlings, breeding stock, farm equipment and other property.
- 2. <u>Bonus Depreciation</u>: Bonus depreciation allows a write-off of up to 80% for 2023 in the first year for yearlings, breeding stock and farm equipment. Used property can now also qualify. In 2024, the bonus depreciation drops to 60%.
- 3. A few weeks still remain for 2023 asset additions with the potential benefit of the 80% write-off.
- 4. <u>IRC §179 Deduction</u>: The maximum amount that may be expensed has been increased to \$1,160,000. The phase-out threshold has been increased to \$2,890,000 million.
- 5. <u>Farm Equipment</u>: The useful life of new farm machinery and equipment is five years, while the useful life is seven years when you purchase used equipment.
- Racehorses: The pending Racehorse Cost Recovery Act of 2023 would make permanent three-year depreciation.
 If business equipment (or horses) are purchased before year-end, they may still qualify for tax benefits.

2023 Year-End Tax Planning Strategies

With uncertainty over whether tax law changes will be forthcoming after next year's election, year-end tax planning for 2023 is more important than ever.

Steps Available for Individual Taxpayers

1. <u>Capital Gains</u>: If you have realized capital gains in 2023, along with unrealized losses, you might want to trigger those losses before year-end to offset your gains, thereby reducing your tax liability.

On the flip side, if you have realized losses, consider taking some gains, as the deduction for capital losses is limited to \$3,000 in any given year.

2. <u>Retirement Plan Alerts</u>: Beginning in 2023, the Secure 2.0 Act raised the age that you must begin taking Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) to age 73.

Retirement plan account owners can delay taking their RMDs until the year in which they retire, unless they are a 5% owner of the business sponsoring the plan.

There is no longer an age limit on making regular contributions to traditional or Roth IRAs.

Contributions to a Keogh Plan or a one-person 401(k) Plan can be significant and save you substantial 2023 tax dollars if setup before Dec. 31, 2023.

A SEP-IRA is another flexible alternative. A SEP can be set up before the filing date of your 2023 tax return, yet still provide you with a 2023 deduction.

3. <u>Avoid the Underpayment of Estimated Tax Penalty</u>: If you have not prepared a 2023 income tax projection, you should have your advisor do so. If your projection shows a balance due, request that a disproportionate amount of withholding be taken from your December paychecks, year-end bonus or retirement plan distribution, rather than paying a comparable significant amount with a fourth quarter estimate tax voucher.

This withholding approach is more favorable than writing a check because taxes that are withheld in December are deemed "thrown back" and treated as evenly spread through the calendar year. This enables you to catch up on any shortfall and still avoid a penalty for the first three quarters.

4. <u>Business Losses</u>: Of great importance, 2023 business losses are capped at \$289,000 for single taxpayers and \$578,000 for joint returns. Please take these loss limitations into consideration when preparing your 2023 income tax projections. Any losses in excess of these thresholds, become net operating loss carryovers to the following year. **Cont.**



Tax advice from The Green Group, cont.



Len Green | Fasig-Tipton

5. <u>Maximize the Pass-Through Business Income Deduction</u>: This tax saving deduction allows certain taxpayers to deduct 20% of their qualified business income. To maximize the deduction, you should take action steps to qualify for taxable income so it is below this new provision's phase-out thresholds.

Steps Available for Business Taxpayers

1. <u>Maximize Available Depreciation</u>: Businesses should consider making expenditures that qualify for 80% first-year bonus depreciation. Generally, both new and used depreciable assets are eligible. The full first-year write-off is allowed even if the asset is purchased late in the year and put into use and even if the deduction gives rise to a taxable loss.

Also, make sure you are taking bonus depreciation on all assets that are eligible. Many times assets are missed as to leasehold improvements, or horses purchased in overseas sales or horses put into training but not yet raced.

An alternative is IRC §179 depreciation, where for 2023 the expense limit has been raised to \$1,160,000 if the investment purchases do not exceed \$2,890,000. Keep in mind that IRC §179 expensing cannot give rise to a loss.

- 2. <u>Qualified Business Income Deduction (QBID)</u>: Certain business owners may be entitled to a deduction of up to 20% of their qualified business income. You should take whatever steps are possible to keep your taxable income below that phase-out threshold. The rules are complex, so contact your tax advisor so they can help you maximize the use of the QBID.
- 3. <u>Active Business Requirements</u>: Operate your horse activities in a business-like manner. We go so far as to recommend that you form a Limited Liability Company (LLC) before year-end and

definitely have a separate checkbook. Keep a record of your horse business activities.

Consult with someone knowledgeable in the horse business to ascertain if you meet some of the nine tests to "qualify" as "active" and, therefore, put yourself in the position to take "full advantage" of any tax losses you may incur.

4. <u>State Pass-Thru Entity Tax (PTET)</u>: The \$10,000 limit on deduction of state income and local real estate taxes, commonly referred to as the SALT Cap, has prompted most states to allow pass-thru entities, such as partnerships and S corporations, to pay tax at the entity level. Although the rules are different in each state, the pass-thru entity generally receives a deduction and, as a result, passes less income to the partner or S corporation shareholder, thereby providing a "workaround" to the harsh SALT Cap.

Steps Available for Estate Planning

Estates of decedents who die during 2024 will have a basic exclusion amount of \$13,610,000, increased from \$12,920,000 for estate of decedents who died in 2023. Unless Congress takes action, this exclusion is set to go back to approximately \$6,000,000 in 2026, at which point your ability to lessen estate taxes will be significantly reduced. We can help you plan for this change.

One Final Note

The IRS is examining a greater percentage of taxpayers whose businesses are reflecting losses.

Proper tax planning, strategy and utilization of professionals who know the horse industry are great tools to withstand any IRS scrutiny.

The Green Group welcomes the opportunity to discuss your 2023 year-end tax savings strategies with you by phone at (732) 634-5100 and ask for Len Green, CPA or John Wollenberg, CPA.

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HISA AND OAKLAWN PARK DESIGNATE AREA FOR INTRA-ARTICULAR INJECTION TREATMENTS

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) and Oaklawn Park have launched a new pilot program under which a designated area will be available for veterinarians to administer any intra-articular corticosteroid injections at the racetrack during the track's 2023-2024 race season beginning Friday, Dec. 8, HISA said in a press release Wednesday. *Cont.*



In 2023:

Ranks #3 on the General Sire List with just three crops

- 3 Grade 1 Stakes Winners,
- 11 Grade 1 Stakes Horses (#1 by %),
- 12 Graded Stakes Winners (#1 by %),
- 24 Graded Stakes Horses (#1 by %),
- 16 Stakes Winners and
- 34 Stakes Horses (#1 by %)



Oaklawn injections, cont.

As HISA laid out in its Strategic Response to recent equine fatalities, many stakeholders, including a significant number of individuals calling into HIWU's confidential tip line, have questioned whether Covered Persons are properly and accurately reporting intra-articular corticosteroid injections.

In order to address this issue and ensure injections are administered in compliance with HISA's Anti-Doping and Medication Control regulations, HISA proposed two possible solutions: (1) a designated area at the racetrack for all intra-articular injections to be administered; or (2) the requirement of a short video of the veterinarian performing the intra-articular injection to be uploaded with the injection report.



Oaklawn Park | Sarah Andrew

Oaklawn has volunteered to test the first of these potential solutions. Under this pilot program, Oaklawn will offer a designated private location at its Summer Bird Barn for intra-articular injections and will compensate Covered Persons who volunteer to have them administered there up to \$250 for the first 100 intra-articular corticosteroid injections this season.

All intra-articular corticosteroid injections prescribed and administered by a veterinarian at Oaklawn must be observed in-person by the track's Integrity Officer, Beverly Fowler, or another designated racetrack employee, regardless of whether it is administered in the designated location.

The pilot program will be used to determine the feasibility and value of this approach, as well as to identify challenges that would need to be resolved for it to be successful nationally.

"HISA is thankful for Oaklawn Park's willingness to test this process, which has been used successfully in sport horses for many years," said HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus. "By testing this concept, the Oaklawn team is contributing meaningfully to HISA's efforts to make the sport safer and more transparent. Based on horsemen and veterinarian feedback and results,

designated intra-articular injection treatment areas may eventually be presented to the Racetrack Safety Committee to consider promulgating a uniform rule."

"Oaklawn Park is pleased to be a leader in equine health and safety," said Louis Cella, President, Oaklawn Park. "It is clear to us that the sport must evolve and continue to do everything in its power to keep horses safe. We support HISA's efforts to explore new methods of ensuring safety and integrity and we appreciate our horsemen's support and engagement."

Prior to each intra-articular injection at Oaklawn this season, the trainer or veterinarian must inform the Integrity Officer of the day and time it will be administered to ensure she or a designee are present. Injection appointments may be scheduled by calling the Integrity Officer at (501) 762-3864.

The veterinarian and Integrity Officer, or their designee, must fill out and sign an accompanying form and submit photos of the medication that is being injected. A copy of the form will be provided to the veterinarian administering the injection, the trainer, the Integrity Officer's office and the State Veterinarian.

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Favorite Moment

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE MOMENT OF 2023: CHASE CHAMBERLIN

As 2023 draws to a close, the TDN is asking industry members to name their favorite moment of the year. Send yours to suefinley@thetdn.com



Chase Chamberlin | Sara Gordon

"What was my favorite moment of 2023? I'm sure most people would be hard pressed to decide if it was getting engaged or winning the Kentucky Derby." *Cont.*

Chase Chamberlin's Favorite Moment, cont.

"Thankfully I got to experience every moment of the Kentucky Derby with the woman of my dreams AND 382 of my friends. It's a day we'll never forget and for that I'm forever grateful."
---Chase Chamberlin, Co-Founder & Head of Racing at CMNWLTH, part of ownership group including OGMA Investments, Sterling Racing and Ramiro Restrepo of Mage

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WEEKLY STEWARDS AND COMMISSIONS RULINGS, NOV. 28-DEC. 4



Out of the gate | Coady Photography

by Dan Ross

(Good Magic).

Every week, the *TDN* posts a roundup of the relevant Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA)-related rulings from around the country.

Among the key rulings from the last seven days, the prohibition of intra-articular injections within seven days of a timed or reported workout once again stands out as a thorn in the side of trainers.

Three such cases have been resolved in the past week, resulting in \$3,000 fines meted out in each case.

The Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU) also handed down a seven-day suspension and \$1,000 fine to trainer Norman Follett, for a post-race Lidocaine positive following a September runner at Belmont at the Big A.

Lidocaine is a pain reliever used ubiquitously in human medicine.

The details of the ruling are not yet publicly available. But Equibase shows Follett to run a small New York-based stable. This year, he has made only 39 starts and had one winner.

NEW HISA/HIWU STEWARDS RULINGS

The following rulings were reported on HISA's "rulings" portal and through the HIWU's "pending" and "resolved" cases portals.

Resolved ADMC Violations

Date: 11/4/2023

Licensee: Gustavo Amaya, trainer

Penalty: A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points.

Admission.

Explainer: A possible violation of Rule 3314—Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method—on the horse, Sandpiper Memories. This was also a possible violation of Rule 4222—Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.

Date: 10/26/2023

Licensee: Wendell McDaniel, trainer

Penalty: A fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Final

decision by HIWU.

Explainer: For the presence of Phenylbutazone—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Big Difference. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Date: 10/25/2023

Licensee: Peter Miller, trainer

Penalty: A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points. Final

decision by HIWU.

Explainer: A possible violation of Rule 3314—Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method—on the horse, Thirsty John. This was also a possible violation of Rule 4222—Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.

Date: 10/24/2023

Licensee: Jamie Ness, trainer

Penalty: A fine of \$3,000; imposition of 3 Penalty Points. Final

decision by HIWU.

Explainer: A possible violation of Rule 3314—Use or Attempted Use of a Controlled Medication Substance or a Controlled Medication Method—on the horse, Dust Devil. This is also a possible violation of Rule 4222—Intra-Articular Injections Within Seven (7) Days of Timed and Reported Workout.

Date: 10/14/2023

Licensee: Ronnie Cravens, trainer

Penalty: Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results,



2024 Stud Fee: \$250,000 LFSN

CURLIN - THE CLASSIC SIRE

Horse of the Year Candidate Rite Power

ELITE POWER WAS 1 OF 3 BREEDERS' CUP WINNERS FOR CURLIN ON THE DAY



including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Final decision by HIWU.

Explainer: For the presence of Phenylbutazone—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Saturday's Gold, who won at Remington Park Oct. 14, 2023. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Date: 10/11/2023

Licensee: Darlene Green, trainer

Penalty: Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a written reprimand (per 9/26/23 HISA Guidance). Final decision by HIWU.

Explainer: For the presence of Omeprazole—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Highcotton Justice, who finished second at Horseshoe Indianapolis Oct. 11, 2023. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Date: 9/22/2023

Licensee: Norman Follett, trainer

Penalty: 7-day period of Ineligibility, beginning on Dec. 5, 2023; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Admission.

Explainer: For the presence of Lidocaine—Controlled Medication (Class B)—in a sample taken from Racing Colors, who finished second at Belmont at the Big A Sept. 22, 2023. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Pending ADMC Violations

Date: 11/01/2023

Licensee: Steve Krebs, trainer

Penalty: Pending

Alleged violation: Medication violation

Explainer: For the presence of Guaifenesin—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Burn The Evidence, who won at Parx Racing Nov. 1, 2023. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Date: 10/31/2023

Licensee: Ortis Henry, trainer

Penalty: Pending

Alleged violation: Medication violation

Explainer: For the presence of Glycopyrrolate—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Empress Palpatine, who finished second at Finger Lakes Oct. 31, 2023. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Date: 10/28/2023

Licensee: Tony Lello, trainer

Penalty: Pending

Alleged violation: Medication violation

Explainer: For the presence of Methocarbamol—Controlled Medication (Class C)—in a sample taken from Reel Em In. This is a possible violation of Rule 3312—Presence of Controlled Medication Substance and/or its Metabolites or Markers (Post-Race/Vets' List).

Violations of Crop Rule

One important note: HISA's whip use limit is restricted to six strikes during a race.

Del Mar

Armando Aguilar – violation date Dec. 1; \$250 fine, one-day suspension

Tyler Gaffalione – violation date Dec. 2; \$277 fine, one-day suspension

Remington Park

Jermaine Valentino Bridgmohan – violation date Nov. 29; \$250 fine, one-day suspension

OTHER KEY RULINGS

The *TDN* also publishes a roundup of key official rulings from the primary tracks within the four major racing jurisdictions of California, New York, Florida and Kentucky.

Here's a primer on how each of these jurisdictions adjudicates different offenses, what they make public (or not) and where.

California

Track: Del Mar **Date**: 12/03/2023

Licensee: Keron Thomas, owner

Penalty: Suspension

Violation: Failure to comply with financial responsibility

agreement

Explainer: Owner Keron Thomas is suspended after failing to

comply to the terms agreed to in the hearing for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – Sunshine Farms [Boarding cost] \$5,170.97). Suspension to commence Dec. 16, 2023.

Track: Del Mar **Date**: 12/03/2023

Licensee: Antonio Fresu, jockey **Penalty**: One-day suspension

Violation: Competing in one more designated race than

permitted

Explainer: Jockey Antonio Fresu is suspended for 1 additional racing day (Dec. 10, 2023) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (f) (Designated Races - participated in more

than one designated race on Dec. 3, 2023).

New York

Track: Aqueduct Date: 11/30/2023

Licensee: Jose Antonio Gomez, jockey

Penalty: Five-day suspension **Violation**: Careless riding

Explainer: Having waived his right to an appeal Jockey Mr. Jose Antonio Gomez is hereby suspended five NYRA racing days. Effective Dec. 7-10, 2023, and Dec. 14, 2023, inclusive. This for careless riding during the running of the 7th race at Aqueduct

Racetrack Nov. 25, 2023.

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75TH GEORGE WOOLF MEMORIAL JOCKEY AWARD FINALISTS NAMED

Junior Alvarado, Alex Birzer, Julien Leparoux, Edwin Maldonado and Rodney Prescott were selected as finalists for the 2024 George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award, 1/ST Racing said in a release Wednesday morning.

Presented by Santa Anita Park, the Woolf Award, which itself is a replica of the life-sized statue which adorns Santa Anita's Paddock Gardens area, is determined by a vote of jockeys nationwide. It can only be won once. The winner of the 75th annual prize will be announced in February.

Named in honor of the legendary late jockey George "The Iceman" Woolf, this year's list of nominees were all prominent in various regions, ranging from California to the Midwest, Florida



George Woolf Trophy | Benoit

and New York.

Best known as the regular rider of Bill Mott's two-time GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile hero Cody's Wish (Curlin), Junior Alvarado immigrated to America from Venezuela in 2007, established a permanent base in New York in 2010 and has 2,082 wins to his credit through Dec. 3.

Alex Birzer is a five-time leading rider at Prairie Meadow in Des Moines, Iowa and a four-time leader at The Woodlands near Kansas City. Through Dec. 3, the son of a trainer has amassed 3,826 wins.

French native Julien Leparoux established a mark of consistency at Keeneland Racecourse. He has 2,956 wins through Dec. 3 and was voted Eclipse Champion Apprentice as well as Eclipse Champion Jockey.

Unusually tall for a jockey at five feet, eight inches, Columbus, Ohio native Edwin Maldonado has been a regular on the Southern California circuit since 2010. He has pocketed 1,532 career winners through Dec. 3.

Rodney Prescott is the Hoosier State's all-time leading rider and has been a consistent top 10 rider at Horseshoe Indianapolis. Prescott has 4,112 career wins through Dec. 3. Javier Castellano took home last year's Woolf Award.

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SAM HOUSTON TO HONOR EXECUTIVE DAVID HOOPER WITH RACE

One of the five Texas Preview Stakes on Saturday, Feb. 17 has been renamed to honor executive David E. Hooper, who passed away May 29 following a battle with cancer, Sam Houston Race Park said in a release Wednesday.

The 88-year-old had an extensive career in the horse racing industry, which included serving as executive director of the Texas Thoroughbred Association from 1997-2012. *Cont.*

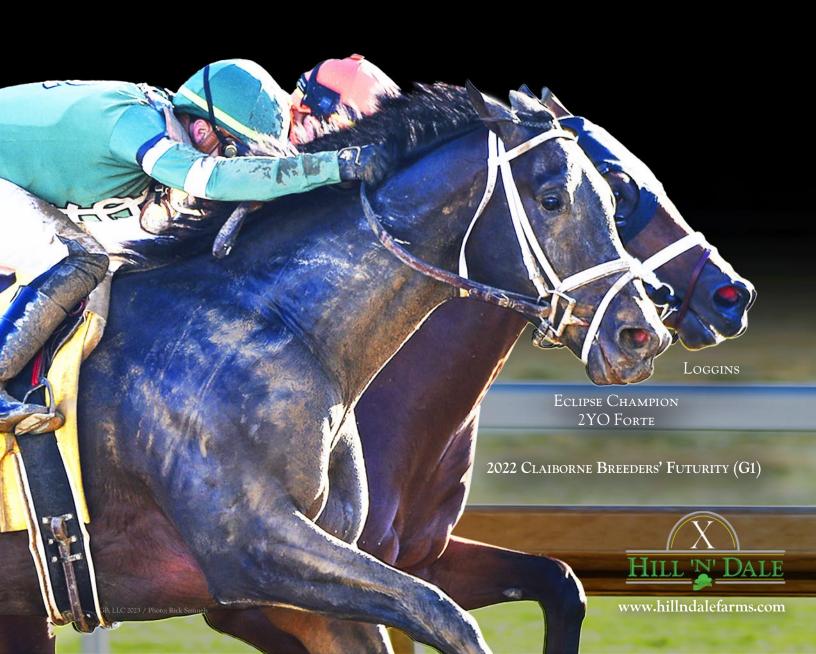


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Sam Houston, cont.

Hooper held several regulatory positions, including executive secretary of the Illinois Racing Board and he was a steward in eight states.

In 2018, he was the recipient of the Pete Pedersen Award from the Racing Officials Accreditation Program, and served as coordinator and lecturer at the University of Arizona's Race Track Industry Program.

"Dave did an incredible job for our association and working with him was a pleasure," said TTA's Mary Ruyle. "He always looked forward to Texas Champions Day at Sam Houston Race Park and celebrating the growth and excellence of Texas racing."

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COLONIAL DOWNS DATES APPROVED FOR 2024

The 27-day live racing season at Colonial Downs for 2024 will be held over nine weeks from Thursday, July 11 through Saturday, Sept. 7 as approved by the Virginia Racing Commission, the track said in a release Wednesday.

Like last season, the New Kent site will race three days per week, Thursday through Saturday.

"The success of the 2023 meet, which brought weekend racing back to Colonial Downs, was a credit to the tremendous support here in Virginia from the owners, trainers, horseplayers, hard-working staff and partners," said Senior Director of Racing Operations Frank Hopf. "We're excited to build upon the momentum and look forward to a tremendous 2024 season."

The Festival of Racing including the GI Arlington Million S. is slated for Saturday, Aug. 10. The GIII Virginia Derby will anchor the closing day card on Saturday, Sept. 7. The entire stakes schedule for the 2024 season will be made available in the coming weeks.

The 2023 season offered more than \$650,000 per day in purses and boasted an average of 8.19 starters per race. Average daily handle was \$2,658,028. Purse money for the 2024 season is expected to be nearly \$700,000 per day.

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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Los Alamitos #9, post time: 7:30 p.m. EST

STARLET S.-GII, \$200,000, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m

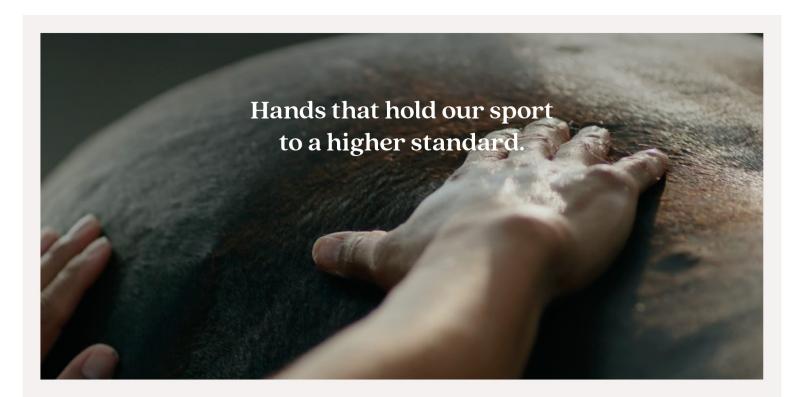
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1	Nothing Like You 🖛	Malibu Moon	Georgia Antley Hunt, Jeff Giglio, and John L. Rogitz	Baffert	Hernandez	120	
2	Pacific Rose 🛪	Not This Time	California Racing Partners, Ciaglia Racing LLC and Domenic Savides	O'Neill	Rosario	120	
3	Flynn's Chance 🛪	Medaglia d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Rispoli	120	
4	Great Forty Eight 🖛	Constitution	Firebird Racing LLC	Yakteen	Torrealba	120	
5	Chatalas	Gun Runner	Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners,	Glatt	Fresu	120	
			Dan J. Agnew, and William Chatalas,				
6	Grazia 🛷	Uncle Mo	Gandharvi LLC	Baffert	Prat	120	
			and Commonwealth Thoroughbreds, LLC				

Breeders: 1-Notch Hill Farm, Wolverton Mountain Farm& Spendthrift Stallions, LLC, 2-Champion Equine, LLC, 3-Stonehaven Steadings, 4-Iapetus Racing, LLC, 5-Dan Agnew, 6-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC

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THURSDAY'S INSIGHTS: DAUGHTER OF UNCLE MO DEBUTS AT THE BIG A



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1st-AQU, \$85K, Msw, 3yo/up, f, 6 1/2f, 12:20pm

Godolphin's **SPLIT SCREEN (Uncle Mo)** gets her start for trainer Brad Cox, who strikes with 26% of his first-time starters. Having been working along the Kentucky circuit of late, she posted her latest trial at Turfway Dec. 2, covering five furlongs in 1:01 3/5 (34/62) over that oval's synthetic surface. The homebred is out of SW Divided Attention (A.P. Indy), a half-sister to Grade I winner Folklore. **TJCIS PPS**

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 2023 Stud Fees Listed

Heart to Heart (English Channel), Crestwood Farm, \$5,000 37 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Gulfstream, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 5fT, Silent Heart, 5-2

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Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$30,000 138 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners 9-Gulfstream, 4:02 p.m. EST, Aoc 6 1/2f, Bourbon Breeze, 9-5 \$200,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$200,000 OBS APR 2yo 5-Woodbine, 6:36 p.m. EST, Aoc 6 1/2f, Code Omaha, 4-1 \$185,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$550,000 OBS APR 2yo 3-Aqueduct, 1:18 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/8m, Regulatory Risk, 9-5 \$235,000 KEE SEP yrl 7-Gulfstream, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 5fT, Soar Richard, 12-1 \$150,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

St Patrick's Day (Pioneerof the Nile), Journeyman Stud, \$3,500 74 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 9-Gulfstream, 4:02 p.m. EST, Aoc 6 1/2f, Fiona's Magic, 2-1

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 180 foals of racing age/22 winners/2 black-type winners 7-Gulfstream, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 5fT, Cacique Abarrio, 12-1 \$42,000 KEE SEP yrl

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), WinStar Farm, \$10,000 103 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Penn National, 8:26 p.m. EST, Msw 1m, East Aurora, 12-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

2023 Stud Fees Listed

Bee Jersey (Jersey Town), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000 87 foals of racing age/23 winners/5 black-type winners 7-Gulfstream, 3:04 p.m. EST, Msw 5fT, Bee Plus, 15-1 \$8,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$27,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Weekend Hideaway (Speightstown), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions

16 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Aqueduct, 2:42 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Moonlit Weekend, 10-1





IN AUSTRALIA:

New Music (Aus), f, 3, Mendelssohn--New Age (Aus), by Street Sense. Belmont, 12-6, Hcp. (C1), 1600mT, 1:38.50. B-Peters Investments Pty Ltd (WA).



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Parx Racing, \$43,212, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 12-6, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.63, ft, 9 3/4 lengths.

BUMP N RUN (c, 3, Tapiture--Trish's Wish {MSP, \$228,900}, by Smoke Glacken) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$72,760. O-Alicia Morgan; B-Timothy J Shaw & Alicia Morgan (MD); T-Timothy J. Shaw.

7th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$20,352, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$6,500), 12-5, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13.71, sy, 1/2 length.

XCELLENT START (c, 3, Upstart--Conquest Ms Curlin, by Curlin) Lifetime Record: SP, 12-3-4-0, \$77,252. O-Coleswood Farm, Inc. & David Raim; B-Williams Racing Corp (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco.



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