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**Practical Move** | *Benoit*

### *The Week in Review, T.D. Thornton*

The five days between last Wednesday's pre-entries and Monday's official draw for the Breeders' Cup afford a brief window of opportunity to examine a few subtleties that emerged from the early version of the match-ups for this weekend's championships.

The decision by the connections of **Practical Move** (**Practical Joke**) to aim for the GI Dirt Mile instead of the GI Classic tops the list. The Classic, which lost **Mage** (**Good Magic**) and **Geaux Rocket Ride** (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) to **illness** and **injury**, respectively, over the weekend, lacks a standout favorite, and you'd have to think Practical Move (4-for-4 at Santa Anita) would have stood a decent shot had he also been pre-entered for that spot.

But considering the colt has had only one race (an Oct. 6 allowance romp at a mile) since winning the GI Santa Anita Derby, trainer Tim Yakteen thought it best not to dive into the deeper end of the pool, distance-wise.

"Ultimately, it boiled down to we only had the one race, and I wasn't confident in myself that I'd have him ready to go a mile and a quarter," Yakteen told FanDuel TV's Christina Blacker on Friday.

"So we opted for the tougher race of the two," Yakteen added with a slight laugh. **Cont. p3**

## MAGE OUT OF BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC

by *Bill Finley*

GI Kentucky Derby winner **Mage** (**Good Magic**) has been ruled out of the GI Breeders' Cup Classic by trainer Gustavo Delgado.

Delgado made the announcement Sunday on X (formerly Twitter), writing: "We are sorry to announce that we have decided to cancel Mage's trip to California. He presented a feverish state this morning and we have noticed symptoms of loss of appetite. Given the proximity to the race, we feel that it is best for the horse to skip the Classic."

Delgado wrote that prior to this setback, Mage had been doing well while preparing for the Breeders' Cup at the Thoroughbred Center in Lexington.

"We were very enthusiastic about the condition that the horse was going through, and despite how disappointed we feel right now, we are confident in a speedy recovery," he wrote.

Mage will stand at Airdrie Stud upon his retirement, which will have to wait. In a separate Tweet, co-owner Ramiro Restrepo announced that Mage will race next year. **Cont. p6**

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*Wise Dan, pictured in September with half brother Successful Dan, is one of today's Breeders' Cup 40 horses. See story on page 12. | Sarah Andrew*

**BREEDERS' CUP SUNDAY BULLETIN**

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*Japanese contender Ushba Tesoro (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}) was among the Breeders' Cup contenders working Sunday at Santa Anita. Both Bob Baffert and Bill Mott had four contenders on track in Arcadia with five days to go before championship weekend.*

**DETTORI SUSPENDED**

**10**

*Jockey Frankie Dettori was handed a three-day ban by the Santa Anita stewards for interference caused during the fifth race at the Arcadia oval Saturday.*

**LIBERAL ARTS STORMS TO STREET SENSE WIN**

**11**

*Liberal Arts (Arrogate) made the most of his two-turn debut with an authoritative victory in the GIII **Street Sense S.** at Churchill Downs Sunday.*



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## The Week in Review (cont. from p1)

Yakteen was referring to “tough” in the sense that the Dirt Mile will be headed by defending champ **Cody's Wish (Curlin)**, who projects as a formidable favorite.

“I think we sort of ran out of time, and I wanted to make sure that we were going to take on a distance that we had already proven ourselves at,” Yakteen continued. “The mile and a quarter was still an unknown, so we'll go the **Gun Runner** route, go in the [Dirt] Mile, and then hopefully come back in the Classic next year.”

**Gun Runner**, in 2016, ran second in the Dirt Mile when the championships were also held at Santa Anita. In 2017, he won the Classic. But **Gun Runner** didn't have to deal with a half-year layoff at age three. His connections had opted for the Dirt Mile after competing in the 10-furlong GI Kentucky Derby and then going 1-for-4 in other stakes through the summer.

The decision on where to run Practical Move more closely resembles that of Omaha Beach in 2019. In fact, the comparison is strikingly similar.

Four years ago, that Richard Mandella trainee won his final Derby prep at nine furlongs (the GI Arkansas Derby). Omaha Beach then was installed as the imposing morning-line favorite for the GI Kentucky Derby, but had to scratch several days before the race with an entrapped epiglottis.

It took Omaha Beach six months to get back to the races. Four weeks before the Breeders' Cup, Mandella spotted him in the GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship S. at six furlongs, which he won. Mandella then targeted the Dirt Mile instead of the Classic because of concerns over the colt's ability to be ready for a 10-furlong test off that single prep sprint. The Breeders' Cup was also at Santa Anita that year, where Omaha Beach was 2-for-2. He ended up second in the Dirt Mile as the even-money favorite.

Practical Move's sophomore season aligns with Omaha Beach's in that he, too, won his final Derby prep at nine furlongs (the Santa Anita Derby). And although he wasn't the morning-line fave for this past May's Kentucky Derby, he was among the top contenders, and also had to scratch just days before the Derby after spiking a temperature.

After a similar six-month layoff, like Omaha Beach, his trainer picked a Santa Anita race four weeks out from the Breeders' Cup. And like Omaha Beach, Practical Move won that prep.

Now he, too, will try the Dirt Mile instead of the Classic. Practical Move's connections will be hoping the similarities stop there and result in a win, which is something that neither **Gun Runner** nor Omaha Beach could deliver at Santa Anita after being entered in the shorter (but not necessarily easier) Breeders' Cup spot.

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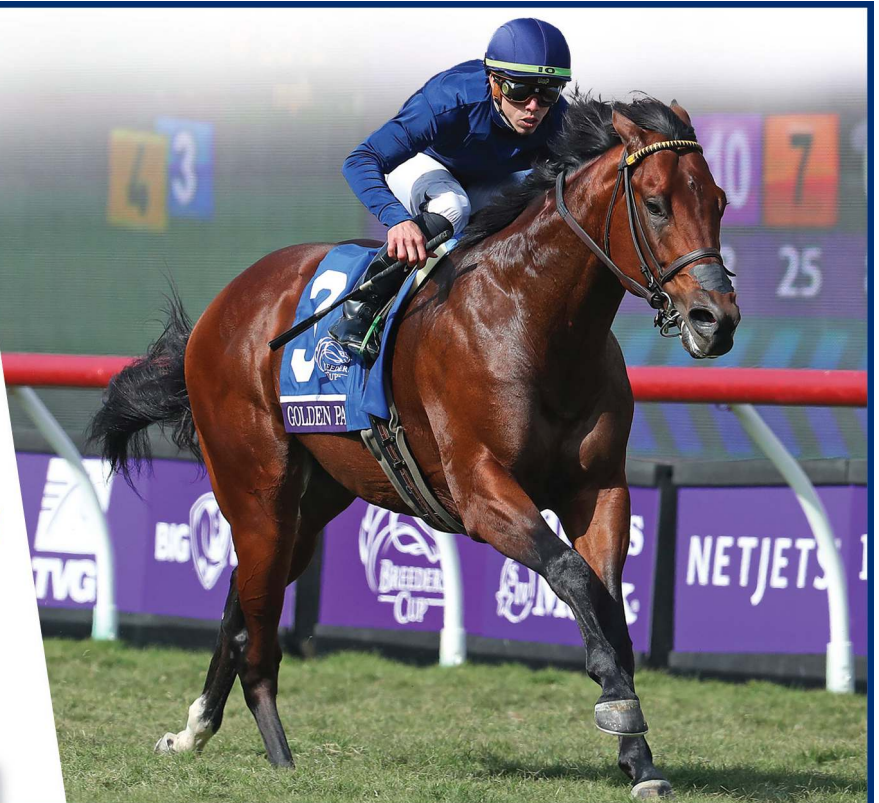
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**Also of note...**

Undefeated 'TDN Rising Star' **Tamara** (Bolt d'Oro) figures to be the heaviest favorite on the Friday card of Breeders' Cup races for 2-year-olds. The GI Juvenile Fillies, however, hasn't been kind to the betting public's choice in recent runnings: The chalk has lost six of the last seven editions.

Trainer John Ortiz hedged a bit by pre-entering **Brightwork** (Outwork) in both the Juvenile Fillies and the GI Juvenile Turf Sprint. The thinking was that she's 4-for-4 around one turn on dirt, and the Juvenile Turf Sprint would keep her within her distance comfort zone, even though she's never tried the grass. As of Saturday though, Ortiz said he was leaning toward running on dirt in the two-turn Juvenile Fillies. It wasn't surprising that Ortiz gave Brightwork that dual option. But it did catch the eye how many other trainers of fillies



**Tamara** | Benoit

were attracted to the Juvenile Turf Sprint: Fillies (13) actually outnumbered colts and geldings (11) in the pre-entries.

**The Wine Steward** (Vino Rosso) could end up as an overlaid sleeper in the GI Juvenile. Given the betting public's propensity for discounting New York-breds in major, open stakes, he could go off at double-digit odds even though he ran one of the more visually appealing 2-year-old stakes efforts in a losing try. The Oct. 7 GI Breeders' Futurity S. was The Wine Steward's first go around two turns, and he drew the rail while entering the race off a 3-for-3 record. He saved ground, advanced on the pacemakers to lead a quarter-mile out (over a short-stretch configuration), got accosted by the odds-on favorite, **Locked** (**Gun Runner**), then gamely snatched back the lead for a sixteenth of a mile in deep stretch before Locked re-rallied to nail The Wine Steward by half a length at the wire. Since The Wine Steward's two moves to the lead happened between chart calling points, they aren't evident in his running line.

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- 1st **Risen Star S. [G2]**
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**The Wine Steward** | Sarah Andrew

Speaking of Beyers, I still do a double-take every time I glance at the past performances for defending GI Filly and Mare Sprint victress **Goodnight Olive** (**Ghostzapper**). Yes, she really earned a 108 despite being beaten 2 1/2 lengths in the Aug. 26 Ballerina

H. at Saratoga when second behind the now-injured **Echo Zulu** (**Gun Runner**), who ran a 112. It's not every day that you see a triple-digit Beyer that high in a losing effort, and it's an even rarer accomplishment for a filly or mare.

Four weeks ago in this column, I wrote about the devastating late run uncorked by **More Than Looks** (More Than Ready), who earned a 101 Beyer when throttling the field in the \$200,000 Jefferson Cup at Churchill Downs. At that time, the 3-year-old colt's connections indicated they'd likely bypass the Breeders' Cup and instead point toward the Oct. 28 GIII Bryan Station S. at Keeneland, with a late-season goal of shipping west for the GI Hollywood Derby at Del Mar Dec. 2. Those plans changed Friday when More Than Looks scratched out of Saturday's Bryan Station as the 9-5 morning-line favorite, and instead worked a half-mile with the intent of heading to Santa Anita for the GI Mile once it became clear he wasn't still stuck on the alternates list. This upstart contender for trainer Cherie DeVaux could be getting scary-good at just the right time. Although short on experience, he has the right off-the-tailgate style for a Breeders' Cup race that historically eats up front-runners. Joel Rosario, who was aboard for Friday's work (and previously rode for this colt's maiden-breaking win in the spring) has reportedly committed to the mount in the Mile.

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## New first crop Stakes winner yesterday...



◀ **AMANDA'S FOLLY** (3YO) won the \$200,000 Ticonderoga Stakes at Belmont at the Big A

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## Mage Out of Breeders' Cup Classic

*(cont. from p1)*

“Mage had a slight temp and didn’t eat up last night how he normally does,” he wrote. “Timing stinks, but lucky we caught it early. Can’t run at below 100% ; horse comes first. Onwards to the Pegasus and his 4YO campaign.”

After winning the Derby, Mage finished third in the GI Preakness S. and second in the GI Haskell S. In his most recent start, he finished seventh, beaten 15 lengths in the GI Travers S.

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## USHBA TESORO IMPRESSES IN CLASSIC DRILL

G1 Dubai World Cup winner **Ushba Tesoro (Jpn)** (Orfevre {Jpn}), prepping for the GI Breeders’ Cup Classic, breezed four furlongs in a hand-timed :49 2/5 Sunday at Santa Anita. The Takagi Noboru trainee left the quarantine barn at 6:15 a.m., walking for 15 minutes until the track opened and then proceeded to the main track.

Allowed to ease into his work at the half-mile pole and around the far turn, he did not begin lengthening stride and quickening until turning for home, impressing onlookers down the lane and into a considerable gallop-out. He was given no official time on the work tab.



**Ushba Tesoro** | Horsephotos

“Very good,” an all-smiles exercise rider Masa Fukami said while taking eight laps of the parade ring in a cool down.

Ushba Tesoro has won seven of eight races since moving to the dirt, with his lone blemish coming off a five-month layoff on a sloppy track. The 6-year-old is seeking his seventh consecutive victory in the Classic, with two of those wins coming at the race’s 10-furlong distance--the G1 Tokyo Daishoten last December and the World Cup in March.

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“Moving to dirt helped him,” Noboru said through a translator. “The timing worked well and he grew up both physically and mentally from it. He was a difficult horse to control, but with dirt racing, everything matched him, I believe.”

In his lone start since the World Cup, Ushba Tesoro was an easy winner of the Nippon TV Hai over 1 1/8 miles at Funabashi, a tight-turned and left-handed track.

“The Breeders’ Cup Classic is another big race and we are the challenger in here,” Noboru said. “He won at Kawasaki, which also [like Funabashi] has tricky tight bends. I don’t think Santa Anita’s turns will be a problem.”

Yuga Kawada, who was aboard for Ushba Tesoro’s victories at Funabashi and Meydan, has the return assignment next Saturday. Kawada won the 2021 GI Breeders’ Cup F/M Turf aboard Loves Only You (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}).

In other Classic news, GI Belmont S. winner **Arcangelo** (Arrogate) walked Sunday morning after a rear shoe was taken off Saturday afternoon.

“I pulled a left hind shoe off him,” trainer Jena Antonucci said. “And said, ‘Let’s just walk tomorrow. It’s no sense in going to do that [gallop]. We’ve got lots of time.’ Whether he kicked the wall or bruised it or hit it, I don’t know. So we just

pulled the shoe off and gave him a walk day to assess where we are at. He walked great this morning. I’m very happy with that. We’ll assess it as we roll. He may gallop tomorrow. He may walk tomorrow. We’ll stay fluid--lots of time. That’s a good thing about a 10-day [breeze] schedule, you get lots of time.”

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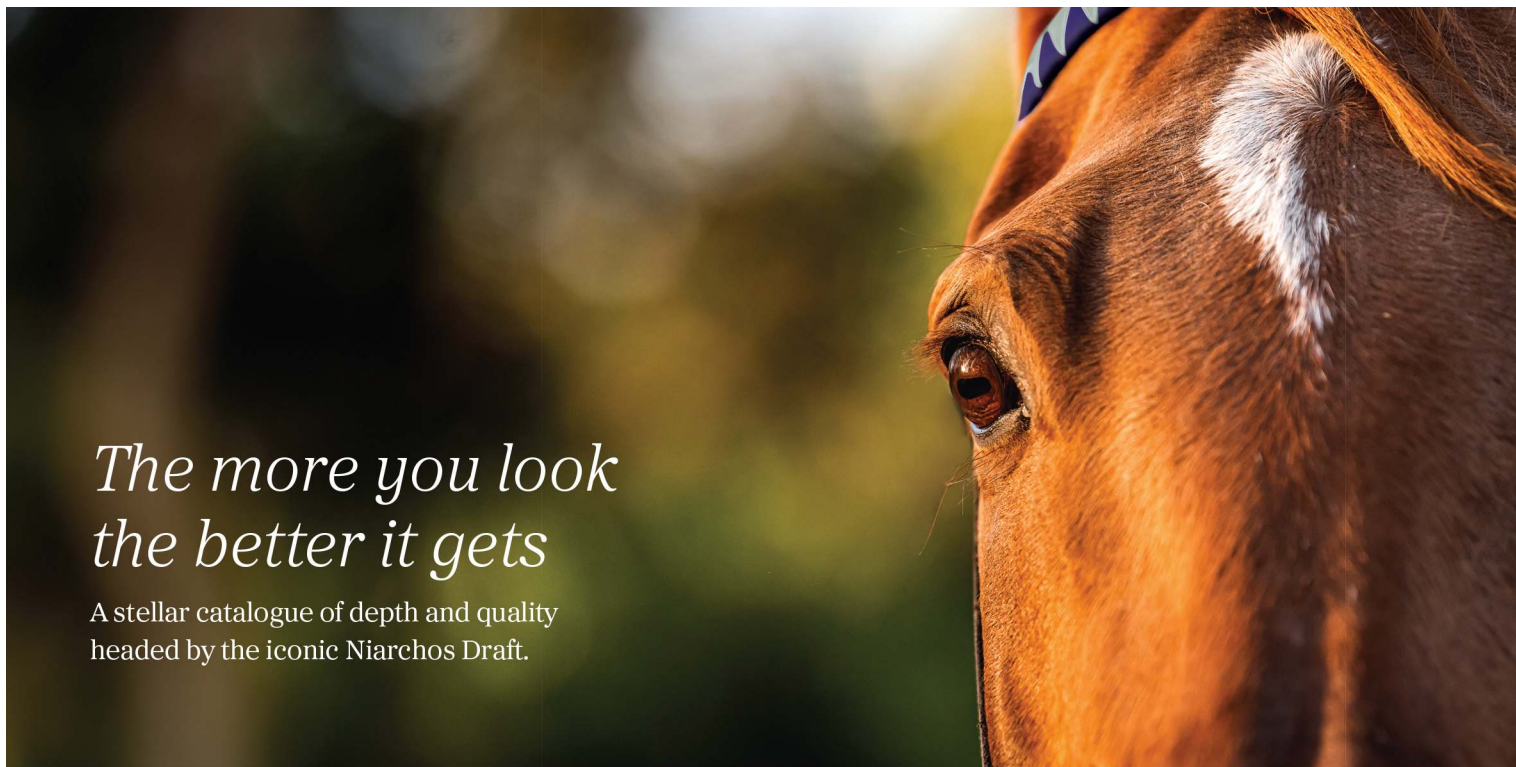
## BREEDERS' CUP SUNDAY BULLETIN: BAFFERT, MOTT RUNNERS ON TRACK

Michael Lund Petersen's **Adare Manor** (**Uncle Mo**) tuned up for Saturday's GI Breeders' Cup Distaff with a four-furlong drill in :48.20 (22/69) Sunday at Santa Anita.

The 4-year-old comes into the Distaff with a string of four straight stakes victories, including a 5 1/4-length score in the Oct. 1 GI Zenyatta S., but will have to step up her game to win Saturday, according to trainer Bob Baffert.

“She’ll be running against a different type of filly on Saturday,” Baffert said. “She’s a big, fast filly and she has a great mind. But this will be a class test. Her last race was great, but this is a step up. To win this race, you need to have a really good horse and have real good luck. Winning these races is not easy.”

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Also working for Baffert Sunday, GI Preakness S. winner **National Treasure (Quality Road)** went four furlongs in :47.40 (11/69) in preparation for the GI Dirt Mile.

“He looked good out there,” Baffert said. “I had him galloping out five furlongs in :59 and change. That last race seemed to wake him back up.”

National Treasure is coming off a fourth-place effort in the Sept. 30 GI Awesome Again S.



**Adare Manor** | Horsephotos

Baffert's GI F/M Sprint contender **Eda (Munnings)** went four furlongs from the gate in :47.40 (11/69) Sunday morning, while GI Juvenile contender **Prince of Monaco (Speightstown)** went five furlongs in 1:00.20 (5/61).

Also working for the F/M Sprint, trainer Steve Asmussen sent **Society (Gun Runner)** out to drill three furlongs in :37.40 (11/15) Sunday.

Godolphin's Mile contender **Master of the Seas (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) went out for a routine canter Sunday, but ended up working four furlongs in an unofficially timed :49 2/5.

“Unfortunately that wasn’t the plan,” said trainer Charlie Appleby's assistant Chris Connett. “All we wanted to do with him was go out for a steady canter, but he didn’t have his hood on and unfortunately he took off with his rider. It was not quite what we hoped for or what was planned. We will now have to adjust his schedule accordingly with a quiet day tomorrow and he will definitely have the hood on him next time he’s out on Tuesday morning.”

GI Breeders' Cup Sprint contender **Dr. Schivel (Violence)**, coming off a win in the GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship, worked five furlongs in 1:00.80 (19/61) Sunday for trainer Mark Glatt.

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## Mott Runners Tune Up

Trainer Bill Mott sent out four Breeders' Cup hopefuls to work at Santa Anita Sunday.

George Krikorian's **War Like Goddess** (English Channel), prepping for the GI Breeders' Cup Turf, worked four furlongs in :49.80 (57/69).

"It was beautiful," Mott said of the work. "Poetry in motion. She works on the dirt and she works in :49 or :50; that's all we want. You could see the rider was just letting her do it. She gets a lot out of working on the dirt, conditioning wise. She is fit enough."

Also Sunday, Mott sent **Casa Creed** (Jimmy Creed) and **Elite Power** (Curlin) out to work four furlongs in company. Casa Creed, headed for the GI Mile, went in :46.40 (3/69), while Elite Power was credited with bullet :46.20 (1/69).



Elite Power (outside) and Casa Creed | Horsephotos

Of Casa Creed, Mott said, "We think he is a pretty good horse. In these turf races, it's all about the trip and the pace and position. You have to have the golden trip and you've got to get

lucky. Everyone in there is a nice horse; probably half the horses in it could win it."

Of Elite Power's attempt to defend his title in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint next Saturday, Mott said, "I don't have any lack of confidence in him. Look, it's a horse race and he has to go over there and do it and have a good trip. I have no reason to believe he is not as good as he was last year."

Elite Power had an eight-race win streak snapped when second behind Gunite (**Gun**

**Runner**) in the Aug. 26 GI Forego S. last time out.

The Mott-trained **Cody's Wish** (Curlin), aiming for the GI Dirt Mile, went four furlongs in :47.20 (10/69) with assistant trainer Neil Poznansky in the saddle.



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“He looked smooth as glass,” Mott said. “I was happy that he didn’t go faster. Neil had him just right. Cody’s Wish did it on the bridle. Passing the eighth pole, [Poznansky] released his hold and took his hand off the bridle a little bit and he finished up good and galloped out good.”

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## DETTORI HANDED THREE-DAY BAN BY SANTA ANITA STEWARDS

Frankie Dettori has picked up a three-day ban for interference caused in the fifth race, a 2-year-old fillies' maiden, at Santa Anita Saturday. The jockey is suspended for Nov. 5, 10 and 11, though he is already banned from riding for the last two dates for overuse of the whip on British Champions Day at Ascot. At Santa Anita, Dettori's mount **Circle Of Trust** (**Union Rags**) finished first past the post for trainer Philip D'Amato but was later disqualified and placed last after the stewards looked into an incident on the far turn, in which the filly drifted in, causing interference to **Blue Oasis** (**War Front**) and **Motet** (**Mo Town**). Blue Oasis, who was a length and a quarter back in second, was awarded the race.

An official ruling by the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita stated that Dettori's suspension for careless riding was incurred for "altering course without sufficient clearance into the far turn, causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to eighth."

Dettori, who bowed out from riding in the U.K. at Ascot on Oct. 21 with two wins, including his resounding success on intended Breeders' Cup runner King Of Steel (**Wootton Bassett** {GB}) in the G1 Champion S., picked up a combined suspension of 16 days for overuse of the whip on two of his mounts that day. That ban runs from Nov. 7 to 24, which has ruled him out of riding in the Melbourne Cup for Willie Mullins on the first day of that suspension.

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Evan and Stephen Ferraro's homebred Liberal Arts, relishing the added distance and sloppy conditions, charged to the lead inside the final furlong to win the GIII Street Sense S. by a widening 2 3/4 lengths at Churchill Downs Sunday. The gray colt trailed the strung-out field as Gettysburg Address (**Constitution**) skipped along on an unchallenged lead through fractions of :23.73 and :47.93. The field began bunching up heading into the far turn, but Liberal Arts was still last at the top of the lane. Informed Patriot was first to overtake the pacesetter with three-sixteenths of a mile to run, but Liberal Arts was tipped out to the center of the track and powered to the lead with authority to win going away. Favored Moonlight closed for second.

"This horse really has improved as the distances got longer," winning rider Cristian Torres said. "Turning for home today, I just had a ton of horse beneath me and I think he really appreciated going two turns. I got him to relax on the backside and he won like a professional today."



**Liberal Arts | Coady Photography**

Liberal Arts, who earned 10 points on the Road to the Kentucky Derby series, gave trainer Robert Medina his first graded victory.

"We knew we wouldn't be able to get longer distances until the fall, so we made sure this horse had some experience under his belt, but knew he'd appreciate the stretch out," said Medina. "Going two turns today I think was the key. He's made five starts this year and talking with the ownership group the plan is now to lay him up until next year and point to some of the big 3-year-old races."

On the board while sprinting in his first two starts, Liberal Arts graduated going seven furlongs at Ellis Park Aug. 13. He was trying two turns for the first time Sunday off a third-place effort in the one-mile GIII Iroquois S. at Churchill Downs Sept. 16.

**Pedigree Notes:**

Bred and campaigned by Stephen Ferraro, the winner's dam, Ismene was a two-time stakes winner in California in 2011 and competed in the 2013 GI Breeders' Cup F/M Sprint. The mare sold to Mike Abraham for \$65,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton February sale.

Liberal Arts is the ninth graded winner for his late sire Arrogate, whose son Arcangelo is expected to be a favorite for Saturday's GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

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## WISE DAN AND MAIN SEQUENCE, TWO GLORIOUS GELDINGS AND THE BREEDERS' CUP

*Celebrating 40 Years of the Breeders' Cup*


*Photos by Sarah Andrew; story by Jill Williams*

John Henry famously didn't make it to the Breeders' Cup. Da Hoss famously did, after a two-year layoff with a mere allowance prep. In this industry, where geldings at the elite levels are the exception and not the norm, those geldings tend to become beloved fan favorites. Perhaps it's because they often have longer race careers than their compatriots whose breeding careers must be considered.

Right up there in the lexicon of the special 31 geldings to have won a Breeders' Cup are two industry favorites living their best lives as retirees with the people who knew them best: Wise Dan and Main Sequence. These two glorious geldings may now be retired from the racetrack, but they both still live with their trainers, Charlie LoPresti and Graham Motion, respectively.

"He lives with us and that should show how special he is," said Motion of Main Sequence.


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To celebrate the 40th running of the Breeders' Cup, the *TDN* will share a photo and catch up with a past winner in each of the 40 days leading up to the event. Today, we have 2012 and 2013 Mile winner Wise Dan. | Sarah Andrew



Neither had a future in the stud barn, neither was transformed into a show horse, neither became a track pony, neither is even a riding horse. Instead, both Wise Dan and Main Sequence are beloved pasture pets, each turned out with a buddy, each living the life of Riley, each with the assurance of LoPresti and Motion meeting their every need.



**Wise Dan** | Sarah Andrew

Both champions--one as a homebred always destined to race as such and one as a homebred originally intended for the sales--these two horses gave so many thrills to their connections. No wonder their trainers couldn't imagine them living anywhere else and plan to cater to each one's every need for life.

The two chestnuts took very different routes to each trainer's barn. Wise Dan has spent nearly every moment of his life, since he was a short yearling, in LoPresti's care. Motion doesn't remember laying eyes on Main Sequence until he was a 5-year-old who had already won a Group race in England and finished second in the G1 Investec Epsom Derby for trainer David Lanigan.

"Wise Dan was foaled at Patchen Wilkes Farm in Lexington and Mr. [Morton] Fink always sent those babies to us when they were short yearlings," remembered LoPresti. "I don't remember the exact month, but we pretty much raised him from a short yearling. We broke him, we trained him, we did everything with him.

"He was a big, strong horse," continued LoPresti. "I wouldn't say he was difficult, but the only thing that stood out in my mind early was how different he was than other horses. Once I figured out that his stride was so much longer than most horses, he was easy to get along with. At first, we were always trying to bottle him up or slow him down, but once we figured out his natural rhythm was :13 or :14 [for an eighth], he was just a natural athlete. He is just an incredible horse, so smart. Just different than most horses."

Everyone remembers Wise Dan as a two-time Breeders' Cup Mile winner, but what might not be remembered as well is he started his career on the dirt. He was a graded winner on the main track at three and even ran in the Breeders' Cup Sprint, finishing sixth. It was midway through his 4-year-old year that Wise Dan tried turf for the first time, winning the GII Firecracker H. at Churchill, but he didn't stay on the surface, adding the GI Clark H. and GII Fayette S. on dirt before the year was over. More graded success on the main track at five followed. It wasn't until August at Saratoga at age five in the GII Fourstardave H. that Wise Dan moved permanently to the grass and started one of the most remarkable streaks in recent memory. He would win his next nine in a row, including his first Breeders' Cup, and 14 of his final 15 races.



**Successful Dan and Wise Dan** | Sarah Andrew

"I could tell you so many things about him," said LoPresti, "but nothing really fazed him. He almost knew when he was going to run. He'd lay down or rest his head on the stall webbing. I would worry about post position, track condition, everything, but [rider] Johnny Velazquez would say, 'Don't worry about it. He knows how to win, he knows how to get himself out of trouble.' And he did! He did it every time he won and pulled it off. Nineteen graded stakes he won.

"Part of the thing with him was how he took everything in stride," continued LoPresti. "When he got to Santa Anita for his Breeders' Cup wins, the first thing he did was just stare at the San Gabriel Mountains like he knew what he was there for. He'd get in the stall--remember he'd never been there before--make two or three turns around and settle down to eat. Most horses take a little while to settle in. He wouldn't. He never got upset about anything. If there was a loose horse, he would just watch like he was saying, 'What's wrong with you?'"

"That's the thing about him: he took everything in stride and he always knew how to win."



He certainly did. During his five-year racing career, Wise Dan won 23 of his 31 starts. No fewer than 11 of his 19 graded wins were in Grade I races. He set track or course records at Santa Anita, Keeneland, and Woodbine. But not everything was smooth sailing. He came back from small injuries. And the sport held its collective breath when Wise Dan colicked and underwent surgery.

“When they turned him over on the table and opened him up,” remembered LoPresti, “the surgeon turned around and gave me a thumbs up. He'd untwisted when they turned him over, so they didn't have to mess with anything and they just sewed him back up. The only thing we were dealing with then was the healing of the incision. Yes, that's a lot, but he was just so tough. That son of a gun came back from the clinic bouncing off the van! All we had to do was heal his incision.”



Wise Dan | Sarah Andrew

LoPresti said he got some flack for bringing Wise Dan back after the surgery and expecting him to perform at the same level. What some people forget is that no one knew him better than LoPresti and no one had his best interests more in mind.

“I knew a lot of people thought I was crazy to bring him back. His first couple of works were not brilliant and I can remember reading stuff after those works—he's not the same horse, you know, all the naysayers—but all I was trying to do was keep him from being stressed and bring him along slow. Then we started to build. That's where I wanted him. We didn't pressure him; we wanted to go along easy and make sure he wasn't going to colic again. Then he came back and he won. And he won again. I always worried. When people start talking, you start to second guess yourself, but I started to see the light come back on and I knew he was back.”

Back indeed. Wise Dan would close out his career as a two-time Horse of the Year and a legend.

“I just want everybody to realize what kind of horse he really was, everything he came through, everything he did. He won \$7.5 million and 19 graded stakes and he didn't run for megapurses. He earned it. If you look at all his races, a lot of them were small stakes. He didn't go to Dubai; there was no Pegasus Cup. I was very fortunate that I had a farm and owners who trusted what I did. I always gave my horses the winter off, never took them to Florida or Louisiana. That was to my demise as a trainer for business, but the old racing families, the old, true sportsmen, got it. I was just fortunate that I had owners that let me do that. Nowadays, if you don't travel and dance every dance, you're going to lose horses. I have really fond memories looking back.”

LoPresti, who quietly retired from training at the end of 2020, said it wasn't just his family and the public who loved Wise Dan. The horse also gave his owner-breeder a reason to live.

“Mr. Fink went to dialysis two or three days a week. That horse kept him alive. The idea of having to go watch him run and watch his next race. That was why we didn't go overseas or to Dubai or anything. Mr. Fink wanted to watch him in person and he really couldn't travel that far. We weren't there for the money. Mr. Fink enjoyed the horse and being able to go see him. I totally understood. I believe he could have gone over to Dubai and won, but that's not what Mr. Fink wanted to do. I was fine with that.”

**Wise Dan** (2007 chestnut gelding, Wiseman's Ferry-- Lisa Danielle, by Wolf Power {SAF})

**Lifetime record:** Horse of the Year (twice), Ch. grass horse (twice), Ch. older male (twice), MGISW, 31-23-2-0, \$7,552,920

**Breeders' Cup connections:** B/O-Morton Fink (KY); T-Charles LoPresti; J-John Velazquez (2012)/Jose Lezcano (2013).

**Current location:** Forest Lane Farm, Athens, Ky.

Wise Dan's last race--and win--was in 2014 in the GI Shadwell Turf Mile at Keeneland. No one knew at the time it would be his last race, but some small, niggling injuries kept him from returning. When he was officially retired 11 months later just before an attempt at a third GI Woodbine Mile, it was decided 'Dan' would live out his days at LoPresti's farm. LoPresti indicated the Kentucky Horse Park and Old Friends were both interested in having him, “But this is what we all decided. We know him. He was raised here. Why send him somewhere he doesn't know and take him away from his brother?”



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Successful Dan and Wise Dan | Sarah Andrew

That half-brother is the one-year older MGW & MGISP Successful Dan, also a Fink homebred campaigned by LoPresti. Successful Dan and Wise Dan are thick as thieves. They're turned out together, they play hard, and they keep themselves extremely fit, said LoPresti. They're also very attached to each other.

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“Not too long ago, Successful Dan got a little hurt and needed some stitches. He needed to stay in the barn for a week. Wise Dan never went more than 30 yards away. He kept checking on him,” said LoPresti.

“Wise Dan is just different from other horses. He's so smart. All the great ones are just different. That's what makes them what they are. Of course, they have to have the athletic ability, too, and he did with that natural rhythm, that natural stride.

“He's very kind, but also very strong. When he decides he wants to go out to the paddock or when he went to gallop at the track, he's going to take you where he wants to go. It's impossible to slow him down.”

Wise Dan's Breeders' Cup wins were in 2012 and 2013; he was undefeated in four starts in 2014, but didn't make the Breeders' Cup that year. Main Sequence, another turfer, did. The two never faced each other on the track, as Wise Dan specialized at a mile and Main Sequence wanted longer. The latter won the 12-furlong Breeders' Cup Turf in 2014. He took a far different road getting there than Wise Dan did.

“Honestly, he wasn't the most straightforward horse to train,” said Motion of Main Sequence. “He could be a little bit tricky. He certainly has a lot of personality.”

Lanigan, a former UK-based trainer who is now with Four Star Sales in Kentucky, laid it out plainly.

“He was a pain in the ass!” said Lanigan, who first trained Main Sequence in England, with a laugh. Lanigan and Motion both trained for the Niarchos family's Flaxman Holdings.



**Main Sequence** | Sarah Andrew

“He was a difficult horse, a little bit quirky,” continued Lanigan. “He didn't like to lead the string, didn't show much on the gallops. But he was a big, mature, good-looking horse who coped with everything very good. We were surprised when he won his maiden first time at two. None of mine usually won first time out. They improved more from first to second run. There

was a good horse of Godolphin's in there that cost a lot of money and he beat him quite well. Then we sent him to a novice at Newmarket. It was more of a fact-finding mission to see if he was as nice as we thought he was. There were useful sorts in there and he won that very well.

“Then I managed to convince [owner] Maria [Niarchos-Gouaze of Flaxman Holdings] and [Flaxman's racing manager] Alan [Cooper] to supplement him for the Derby... The boldness in me! I couldn't leave a Derby horse on the table. I had to spend the next six months trying to convince Alan to run him.”

Main Sequence ended up going to the Derby undefeated in four starts, including in the G3 Betfred Derby Trial. He suffered his first career defeat in the Derby to Aidan O'Brien's **Camelot (GB)** with Queen Elizabeth II in attendance. The performance may have been assurance that Main Sequence was as good of a horse as Lanigan thought, but that loss was also tough to swallow.

**Main Sequence** (2009 chestnut gelding, Aldebaran--Ikat {Ire}, by Pivotal {GB})

**Lifetime record:** Ch. grass horse, Ch. older horse, MGISW-U.S., GSW & G1SP-Eng, 21-9-3-3, \$3,428,666

**Breeders' Cup connections:** B/O-Flaxman Holdings Limited (KY); T-H. Graham Motion; J-John Velazquez.

**Current location:** Fair Hills, Elkton Md.

“It broke my heart,” said Lanigan. “Nobody ever remembers second. He was beaten by a very good horse and ran his race, but I was gutted for myself because I knew we had a very nice horse. And I was very disappointed for Maria. She was one of the first people to send me a horse when I started training. She was always a very good supporter and friend, so it wasn't just my own selfishness. I was very disappointed for her.”

Main Sequence and Lanigan were together for approximately another year and a half after the Derby, long before the Breeders' Cup was on the table. Lanigan had actually picked the chestnut out of the Keeneland September sale as a yearling. The horse had been entered, but Lanigan said Niarchos-Gouaze had asked him if there were any of hers in the crop he liked. When Lanigan picked Main Sequence, he never went through the ring and was shipped to the UK instead. Lanigan and the horse were together for nearly three years total and came to an understanding.

“Like a lot of good horses, you could set your watch by him. He went out first lot every day, would have his breakfast, then go to sleep. He'd be comatose from 9-12, head under the shavings. I took him out for a pick of grass every day myself. He was a bit of a handful. Out of nowhere, he'd stand straight up on his hind legs.

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“He overcame a lot. He had a tiny bit of a kissing spine after he won his novice as a 2-year-old, but after that never missed another day. We gelded him at the end of his 3-year-old year because he didn't really have a stallion's pedigree. He was a little bit of a bridesmaid at four. He'd get himself very warm in paddocks that year, which he never did before, so it was sort of a frustrating year.



**Main Sequence** | Sarah Andrew

“I told Maria, 'There's a better chance for him over in America. You could win a Breeders' Cup with him in America, but we're going to struggle with him in Europe.'”

Prophetic words, it turns out. Lanigan said shipping him back and forth was considered, but it was ultimately decided it would be better for the horse to be based in the same area he'd run, rather than to ship. Lanigan was fully on board.

“I told Maria it was going to be a wasted opportunity for the horse and for her if she didn't do it. It all worked out very well. Maria and the horse were the most important two in the whole thing. She's an owner who deserves the very best. It was a pleasure to have had him and I feel very lucky to have had him.”

Motion was the lucky recipient in America. Although Motion had been to Lanigan's yard in Lambourn when he stabled his GI Kentucky Derby and G1 Dubai World Cup winner Animal Kingdom there prior to a run at Royal Ascot, he didn't have any particular memories of Main Sequence in the flesh before he came to America.

“Obviously he'd been in some nice races already, so you knew he was a good horse,” said Motion. “I was aware of him because we all trained for Flaxman and he'd certainly done well in some nice races--had that second in the Derby--but I didn't really know him before. I think the whole team felt that American racing might suit him. We kind of all made all those decisions together, with David Lanigan and Alan Cooper.

“Main Sequence actually got quite sick when he first came to me. Shipping over the winter is tough, having to travel and

quarantine on both sides. It took him a while to get over it. We gave him a lot of time.”

The repatriated Main Sequence would not make his American debut under Motion's care until July of 2014. He would win that day--the GI United Nations S.--and wouldn't lose that year, adding the Sword Dancer, Joe Hirsch Turf Classic, and Breeders' Cup Turf, all Grade 1s. The campaign culminated in a championship.

“We did things with him that I hadn't really done with a horse,” said Motion, “in all the extra schooling. He required a lot of time in working with those things. He was always a little slow to come away from the gates, so we worked on that quite a lot. The first time he ran for us, in the UN, he walked out of the gate. He gave us fits with that.

“His first three races were by a neck, a head, and a neck. It was a testament to Rajiv [Maragh], who rode him so well.”



**Main Sequence and Bye Bye Melvin** | Sarah Andrew

Maragh was not able to be aboard for the Breeders' Cup. Velazquez, who had piloted Wise Dan to his first Breeders' Cup win, but had gotten injured earlier on the card of Wise Dan's second Breeders' Cup victory and was hospitalized as the race ran, had to substitute for Maragh in this Breeders' Cup.

“It was tough,” said Motion, “because Rajiv had won on him in the Turf Classic and while we were up in the reception room after the race [just over 30 minutes later], Rajiv had his terrible accident and broke his arm. We were good friends with him and Angie, his wife, so there were a lot of emotions when he got hurt. I get emotional now just thinking about it. So Johnny rode him in the Breeders' Cup. That was the year he was coming off that bad accident of the year before in the Breeders' Cup.”

Maragh needed two plates and 13 screws to repair his arm and would win on Main Sequence again in 2015. Velazquez had emergency surgery after a spill in the Juvenile Fillies in 2014 that resulted in pancreas repair and spleen removal. Motion is close friends with both riders.



“On Breeders' Cup Day was the only time Main Sequence ever broke properly. He won handily,” said Motion. After winning the GII Mac Diarmida S. the next year, Main Sequence tried Dubai and for a repeat in the United Nations, but didn't perform as hoped in the latter and it was discovered he had suffered a tendon tear. He was retired.

“Alan and Maria were nice enough to let him stay here after his career,” said Motion. “These horses were so influential in my career.”



Graham Motion with Better Talk Now in 2008 | Sarah Andrew

Motion mentioned Better Talk Now, his very first Breeders' Cup winner. Better Talk Now, who also won the Turf a decade before Main Sequence, also retired to Motion's Fair Hills home base. He passed away in 2017 following complications from colic surgery.

“Main Sequence is a bit like Better Talk Now,” said Motion. “Neither one of them were particularly nice horses to ride. They both had the same kind of personality: pretty cantankerous, pretty tough, which is probably an indicator of how good they were.”

Main Sequence now lives in a paddock with Bye Bye Melvin, another former Motion runner who ran in the 2022 Breeders' Cup Turf.

“I have to be very careful who we put out in the paddock with him, because he's pretty tough on other horses, but he and Bye Bye Melvin get along great.”

Main Sequence served as an ambassador at the Maryland 5\* event earlier this month.

“That was quite a shock to him to come out of his field for the first time in years,” said Motion with a laugh. “He was a little wound up, but it was very cool. A lot of people came by to see him. I heard he only bit one person, but we made it through. It was just a mile up the road, so we decided to do it.”

Like LoPresti with Wise Dan, Motion has incredibly fond memories of his Breeders' Cup win with Main Sequence.

“It was very rewarding,” said Motion. “It was really a team effort to win a Breeders' Cup race for the Niarchos family. I grew up watching them, so it was like a dream to win for them. It was sort of coming full circle. We love the Breeders' Cup.”

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### MANNY FRANCO EARNS CAREER WIN 2,000, TAKES BELMONT RIDING TITLE

Jockey Manny Franco earned the 2,000th victory of his career Sunday at Aqueduct when guiding the Chad Brown-trained Spirit of St Louis to a half-length score in the day's second race.

“I feel great,” Franco, who also won the day's opener, said. “I had that on me the whole week, so I'm glad to do it early. I'm a little calm now and happy to do it. I just let him do what he wanted to do because I know the pace wasn't fast in front. I just kept my position and he was there for me the whole way.”

Franco, 28, won three races at the Belmont at Aqueduct meet finale Sunday to secure his third NYRA riding title of the year. Franco earned 34 wins at the stand to take a three-way battle for the riding title over Irad Ortiz, Jr. and Jose Ortiz, who tied for second with 31 wins.

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Four-time Eclipse Award-winning trainer Chad Brown won his 30th training title at a NYRA meet and 12th consecutive Belmont fall title when leading all trainers with 28 wins, giving him back-to-back meet titles after tying with Linda Rice at this year's Saratoga meet.

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### LOCKED FAVORED IN DERBY FUTURE WAGER

Pool 1 of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager is set for its three-day run Tuesday-Thursday and features 40 betting interests, including recent Grade I winners **Locked** (**Gun Runner**) and **Timberlake** (Into Mischief). Wagering will begin Tuesday at noon and close Thursday at 6 p.m. ET in advance of the Breeders' Cup World Championships' Future Starts Friday.

The 15-1 individual favorite is Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Walmac Farm's GI Breeders' Futurity winner Locked. Trained by two-time Kentucky Derby winner Todd Pletcher, Locked is among the top interests in Friday's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Santa Anita.

Here is the complete field with morning line odds: #1 Agate Road (**Quality Road**) (99-1); #2 Agoo (**Munnings**) (99-1); #3 Air of Defiance (**Quality Road**) (60-1); #4 Balta (**Munnings**) (99-1); #5 Be You (**Curlin**) (99-1); #6 Bentornato (**Valiant Minister**) (99-1); #7 Bergen (**Liam's Map**) (99-1); #8 Billal (**Street Sense**) (99-1); #9 Booth (Mitole) (60-1); #10 Catching Freedom (**Constitution**) (99-1); #11 Dancing Groom (Vino Rosso) (99-1); #12 Domestic Product (**Practical Joke**) (99-1); #13 Dornoch (**Good Magic**) (60-1); #14 Drum Roll Please (**Hard Spun**) (99-1); #15 Fierceness (**City of Light**) (99-1); #16 General Partner (**Speightstown**) (80-1); #17 Generous Tipper (**Street Sense**) (80-1); #18 Glengarry (Maximus Mischief) (99-1); #19 Informed Patriot (**Hard Spun**) (99-1); #20 Liberal Arts (Arrogate) (60-1); #21 Lightline (**City of Light**) (99-1); #22 Locked (15-1); #23 Moonlight (**Audible**) (80-1); #24 Nash (**Medaglia d'Oro**) (99-1); #25 Normandy Hero (Omaha Beach) (99-1); #26 Otto The Conqueror (**Street Sense**) (99-1); #27 Noted (**Cairo Prince**) (99-1); #28 Nutella Fella (**Runhappy**) (80-1); #29 Private Desire (**Constitution**) (50-1); #30 Raging Torrent (Maximus Mischief) (99-1); #31 Risk It (**Gun Runner**) (99-1); #32 Rocketeer (**Curlin**) (99-1); #33 Seize the Grey (Arrogate) (99-1); #34 Stretch Ride (**Street Sense**) (50-1); #35 Stronghold (**Ghostzapper**) (99-1); #36 The Wine Steward (Vino Rosso) (30-1); #37 Timberlake (20-1); #38 West Saratoga (Exaggerator) (80-1); #39 "All Fillies from the 2021 Foal Crop" (80-1); "All Other Colts and Geldings from the 2021 Foal Crop" (3-5).

There are six Future Wager pools scheduled in advance of the 2024 Kentucky Derby: Oct. 31-Nov. 2 (Pool 1); Nov. 23-26 (Pool 2); Jan. 19-21 (Pool 3); Feb. 16-18 (Pool 4); March 15-17 (Pool 5); April 4-6 (Pool 6).

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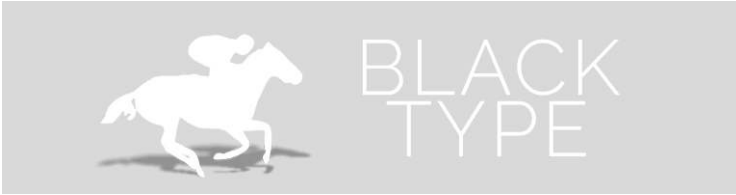


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**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**EMPIRE CLASSIC S.**, \$250,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.51, my.

1--**STRAIGHT ARROW**, 122, g, 4, **Arrogate--Lulu's Number**, by **Numerous**. (\$30,000 4yo '23 KEEJAN). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Laura Barrish; B-Patricia Generazio (NY); T-Michael Dini; J-Jairo Rendon. \$137,500. Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-0, \$295,000. \*1/2 to **Disco Partner** (Disco Rico), MGSW & MGISP, \$1,487,560; 1/2 to Don Six's Number (Don Six), SP, \$212,686.

2--**Sheriff Bianco**, 122, g, 5, Speightster--Summer Rules, by Perfect Soul (Ire). (\$135,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$120,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$50,000 3yo '21 KEENOV). O-A. Bianco Holding Limited; B-SF Bloodstock LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$50,000.

3--**Un Ojo**, 122, g, 4, Laoban--Risk a Chance, by A.P. Indy. O-Cypress Creek Equine and Whispering Oaks Farm LLC; B-Southern Equine Stables, LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$30,000. Margins: 2 3/4, HD, 4 1/4. Odds: 2.50, 4.40, 9.10.

Also Ran: Cicciobello, Drake's Passage, Olympic Dreams, Barese, Lobsta, **Curlin's** Wisdom. Scratched: Aggregation.

Straight Arrow, never entered in a stakes race until now, won impressively to cap Sunday's Empire Showcase Day card at Aqueduct. A winner at second asking versus open company at Monmouth Park July 2, the gray gelding stepped up and graduated against state-bred allowance types at Saratoga Aug. 5 and cleared the New York optional claiming ranks after his third try Oct. 15 at the Belmont at the Big A meet.

Sent on his way as the 5-2 second choice here, Straight Arrow dealt with the outside gate like a pro, taking up third around the first turn and up the backstretch as a pair of longshots vied for the lead. Running into that hot pace, the Mike Dini trainee got underway around the far turn, struck the front at the top of the lane and cruised clear to take the Empire Classic over Sheriff Bianco.

"We ran him back in 14 days, but to me he's like a 3-year-old going to the Kentucky Derby," said Dini. "He's lightly-raced and I really don't train hard. The meet is coming to an end and he's a hard horse to train. It took two years to get him to the races. We'll probably take him Florida now because he's a hard horse to train, I can't leave him. We'll bring him back up in the spring."

The winner is his dam's last record of produce. Lulu's Number is a half-sister to full-sibs MSW At The Disco (Disco Rico) and Gil Play the King S. runner-up Dowse's Beach. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**



**Straight Arrow** | *Chelsea Durand*

**EMPIRE DISTAFF S.**, \$250,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:51.57, my.

1--**KNOW IT ALL AUDREY**, 122, f, 4, **Shackleford--Know It All Anna (SP, \$278,390)**, by **Midnight Lute**. **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Three Player's Stable and Barrera, III, Oscar S.; B-Geraldine Mazza (NY); T-Oscar S. Barrera, III; J-Javier Castellano. \$137,500. Lifetime Record: 24-7-5-3, \$501,612.

2--**Ichiban**, 122, f, 3, **Street Sense--Cover Girl Elle**, by Out of Place. O-Cypress Creek Equine; B-Southern Equine Stables, LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$50,000.

3--**Venti Valentine**, 126, f, 4, Firing Line--Glory Gold, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. O-NY Final Furlong Racing Stable and Parkland Thoroughbreds; B-Final Furlong Racing Stable & Maspeth Stable (NY); T-Jorge R. Abreu. \$30,000.

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Margins: 2 3/4, 2 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 4.40, 2.25, 1.85.

The one-time claimer Know It All Audrey recorded a career-high victory facing fellow state-breds Sunday in the Empire Distaff at the Big A. Tucked in along the inside in a close up third behind Ichiban and Sunset Louise (**Tonalist**), Know It All Audrey continued to bide her time through a :49.41 half. Ready to move into second leaving the backstretch, the 4-1 shot was taken to the outside to launch her attack, slowly reeled in the game pacesetter in the lane, caught the 2-1 second choice late and drew off to win by 2 3/4 lengths. Favored Venti Valentine rounded out the trifecta.

Following the win, trainer Oscar Barrera III said, "Our game plan was to be right off the lead today. That didn't happen. Ichiban broke sharp out of the gate--fantastic ride by Jose [Ortiz, aboard Ichiban] to get her out into the inside."





**Know It All Audrey | NYRA**

He continued, “We had Sunset Louise right to the outside of us the whole way, so I was a little concerned going into the first turn and the backstretch, because she’s not a filly who has gotten a lot of kickback throughout her career. I was nervous about that. Turning for home, Sunset Louise came back and she was able to clear her and go to the outside and make a strong move. She fought determinedly to get the win because Ichiban is a nice filly.”

The consistent bay placed in the one-mile Biogios Rose S. facing fellow state-breds over this surface in March, and filled the same position next time stretching to nine furlongs in open optional claiming company Apr. 21. A winner next time out in a nine-furlong off-turf allowance, including a seven-furlong Saratoga starter allowance July 20. Returning to face Empire bred in the Aug. 9 Johnstone Mile H., she came home before posting a third-place finish last time out going nine panels in optional claiming company here Oct. 4. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

**RAGS TO RICHES S.**, \$200,000, Churchill Downs, 10-29, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:46.31, sy.

1--**WEST SUNSET**, 122, f, 2, by **West Coast**

**1st Dam: Vindicated Ghost, by Vindication**

**2nd Dam: Dixie Ghost, by Silver Ghost**

**3rd Dam: Mississippi Dixie, by Dixieland Band**

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. \$124,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$193,000. \*1/2 to Bourbon Resolution (New Year's Day), GSW, \$325,421.

2--**Gin Gin**, 122, f, 2, Hightail--Before You Know It, by **Hard Spun.**

**1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Calumet Farm; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$40,000.

3--**V V's Dream**, 122, f, 2, Mitole--Quay, by **Tapit.** (\$130,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$190,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP). **'TDN Rising Star'**. O-MJM Racing and Magdalena Racing (Sherri McPeek); B-Mark Stansell (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek. \$20,000.

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Margins: 6 3/4, 2 3/4, 6. Odds: 7.86, 9.07, 0.19.

Also Ran: Candy Landy, Floored. Scratched: Shimmering Allure, Twirling Good Time.

West Sunset didn't let the Kentucky rain slow her down en route to a stylish coast-to-coast victory in a sloppy rendition of the Rags to Riches S. beneath the Twin Spires.

Coming into the race with a neck victory over a fast main track at this venue Sept. 16 after being forced to close from the back of the field, she took a diametrically opposed trip here, immediately establishing a clear lead right from the jump. Well in hand on a loose lead through both turns, she readily responded in the lane to register a 6 3/4-length victory over Gin Gin, who got the best of heavy 1-9 favorite **'TDN Rising Star'** V V's Dream for second.

A half to Bourbon Resolution (New Year's Day), West Sunset has a 2023 half-sister by **Maximum Security** in the wings and is only one of four foals to the races for the mare. Vindicated Ghost is herself a half-sister to an accomplished fleet of runners, including GSW Chelokee (Cherokee Run); MGSW & MGISP Salute the Sarge (Forest Wildcat) and SW & GSP Mymich (A. P. Indy). This is the extended family of 14-time winner GISW Dismasted. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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**West Sunset (4) | Coady**



**MAID OF THE MIST S.**, \$200,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 2yo, f, 1m, 1:38.73, ft.

1--**MY MANE SQUEEZE**, 120, f, 2, by **Audible**

**1st Dam: In Spite of Mama**, by **Speightstown**

**2nd Dam: Mama Theresa**, by **Carson City**

**3rd Dam: Nothing Special**, by **Tejabo**

**1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-William J. Butler (NY); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. \$110,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-2, \$183,960. \*1/2 to Rotknee (**Runhappy**), MSW, \$391,455; 1/2 to Lookin for Trouble (Into Mischief), MSP, \$170,220.

2--**Cara's Time**, 122, f, 2, **Not This Time**--Zindra, by Macho Uno. (\$175,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG). O-Richard Greeley; B-Stephen Crestani (NY); T-Mitchell E. Friedman. \$40,000.

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3--**Caldwell Luvs Gold**, 122, f, 2, Goldencents--Snow, by **Quality Road**. (\$36,000 Wlg '21 FTNMIX; \$73,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG).

O-Dicke Racing; B-Jeremiah Desmond & Drumkenny Farm, LLC (NY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$24,000.

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Margins: 3, NO, 1 1/4. Odds: 5.10, 5.10, 0.45.

Also Ran: Bernietakescharge, Valentine Gift, Lika Rolling Stone, Kaz' Rose. Scratched: Tricky Temper.



**My Mane Squeeze** | *Coglianese*

My Mane Squeeze caused some bumper cars in the stretch, but gamely drew clear late to score her first career black-type victory in the Maid of the Mist S. on Empire Showcase day.

Hitting the board third last out in the Sept. 24 Joseph A. Gimma S. for New York-bred fillies, the top three from that contest all reprised their roles here with My Mane Squeeze turning the tables on Cara's Time and Caldwell Luvs Gold.

Chasing from three off the rail as Cara's Time took her customary spot leading the field down the backstretch, she was tucked inside through the turn to save some ground before swinging back out three wide in upper stretch. Bumping a challenger into Caldwell Luvs Gold just as the field was straightening into the lane, My Mane Squeeze was asked for more nearing the three-sixteenths marker and collared long-time leader Cara's Time late. She put three lengths on that one by the wire while Caldwell Luvs Gold just lost out for second in a photo with the runner-up.

"This New York program, I love it. I'm really enjoying it and enjoying the success that I've had with my mares. It's just great," said winning owner and breeder William 'Buck' Butler. "I'm three generations in with this horse. Mama Theresa [second dam] is my linchpin here, and In Spite of Mama [first dam] has given me nothing but runners."

Butler would not be exaggerating, either. My Mane Squeeze is the fourth winner in a row from four on the ground, and the third to secure black-type behind siblings Rotknee—a winner of the Hudson S. on Sunday's undercard—and eldest sibling Lookin for Trouble, who himself had been a staple in the New York-bred restricted stakes races as a juvenile. The victress has a yearling half-sister by **War of Will** and a 2023 half-brother by **Runhappy**. In Spite of Mama went to **Honest Mischief** for 2024. My Mane Squeeze is **Audible** (by Into Mischief)'s second black-type winner. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

**SLEEPY HOLLOW S.**, \$200,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 2yo, 1m, 1:37.98, my.

1--**EL GRANDE O**, 122, c, 2, by **Take Charge Indy**

**1st Dam: Rainbow's Song** (SP, \$135,253),  
by **Unbridled's Song**

**2nd Dam: Rainbow Promise**, by **Known Fact**

**3rd Dam: All Things New**, by **One for All**

O-Barry K. Schwartz; B-Stonewall Farm (NY); T-Linda Rice; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$110,000. Lifetime Record: 8-3-3-1, \$319,000. \*1/2 to Meal Ticket (Malibu Moon), GSP, \$305,989.

2--**B D Saints**, 120, c, 2, Laoban--Winsanity, by Tapizar. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/BB-Cypress Creek Equine LLC (NY); T-Linda Rice. \$40,000.

3--**Aggelos the Great**, 120, c, 2, **City of Light**--Spritely, by Touch Gold. (\$100,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR). O-RAP Racing; B-Chester & Mary R. Broman (NY); T-George Weaver. \$24,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 5HF, 2 3/4. Odds: 0.65, 16.90, 6.30.

Also Ran: Wine Responsibly, Mischief Joke, Two's a Crowd, Bonne Chance, Skyler's Starship, Solo's Fury. Scratched: Detective Tom.



**Cont.**

El Grande O returned to the state-bred stakes ranks after a tilt at the GI Champagne, and dueled his way to a front-running score in the Sleepy Hollow S.

Sixth in the aforementioned graded contest, and with three other stakes tries under his belt--two runner-up efforts and a victory two back in the Sept. 24 Bertram F. Bongard S.--he was sent off a heavy 3-5 favorite here. Dueling immediately from the three path with Solo's Fury (Solomini), he shrugged off that rival into the turn and skipped away from the field as his early challenger faded to last. Spinning into upper stretch with an open-length advantage, he was under a steady drive passing the eighth pole and kept B D Saints safe by 1 1/4 lengths at the end. Familiar foe Aggelos the Great closed from sixth to complete the trifecta.

"He's a dream to be around in the barn, he always has been. I've been around him for a while now," said winning rider Jose Ortiz. "We ran him on the dirt and he ran good. He ran good on the turf--he went back to the dirt and has been amazing. He's a very cool, collected horse. Nothing bothers him, and he's fast."

Linda Rice echoed similar sentiments, "You rarely see a 2-year-old that has run as much as we've run him. He walks around the paddock calm and happy to be here and that's allowed us to run him more frequently than we've run other 2-year-olds."

A half-brother to stakes runner Meal Ticket--who has delivered two offspring by Into Mischief in the last two seasons--El Grande O has a yearling half-sister by **Dialed In** as well as a 2023 half-brother by **Mendelssohn**. Rainbow's Song visited **Game Winner** for 2024. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**



**El Grande O** | *Coglianes*

**MOHAWK S.**, \$194,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.90, yl.

1--**SPIRIT OF ST LOUIS**, 126, g, 4, **Medaglia d'Oro--Khancord Kid (GSW, \$167,343)**, by **Lemon Drop Kid**. (\$300,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$280,000 4yo '23 KEEAPR). O-Madaket Stables LLC, Michael Dubb & Richard Schermerhorn; B-Chester and Mary R. Broman (NY); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Manuel Franco. \$110,000. Lifetime Record: 7-5-2-0, \$370,650. \*1/2 to Land Mine (**Mineshaft**), SP, \$158,342; Full to Bar of Gold, GISW, \$1,551,000.

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2--**City Man**, 126, h, 6, **Mucho Macho Man--City Scamper**, by City Zip. (\$20,000 Wlg '17 FTNMIX; \$185,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR). O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Peter Searles and Patty Searles; B-Moonstar Farm (NY); T-Christophe Clement. \$40,000.

3--**Jerry the Nipper**, 122, g, 6, **Liam's Map--Aqua Regia**, by Pollard's Vision. (\$310,000 Wlg '17 KEENOV; \$85,000 3yo '20 KEENOV). O-Repole Stable; B-St. Elias Stable, LLC & Peta Ryan (NY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$24,000.

Margins: HF, 3/4, 1. Odds: 1.25, 1.75, 4.10.

Also Ran: Ruse, Dakota Gold. Scratched: Call Me Harry, Kaz Sugar Bank, Noble Huntsman.

In the top two in six career races against state-breds, Spirit of St Louis most recently swept home a winner by 1 1/4 lengths in the Oct. 6 Ashley T. Cole S. at Aqueduct.

As the 6-5 choice here, the dark bay gelding settled into second into the first turn as a longshot showed the way. Cruising along the backstretch, the Chad Brown trainee began to press the leader around the far turn, took over with a furlong left and found the wire ahead of City Man to give jockey Manny Franco his 2,000 victory.

Out of an extended female family which includes SW and sire Yankee Gentleman (Storm Cat) and GSW and sire Half Ours (Unbridled's Song), the winner's dam produced GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint champ Bar of Gold (**Medaglia d'Oro**), who is responsible for GIII With Anticipation S. winner Coinage (**Tapit**). Spirit of St Louis is half-brother to 3-year-old filly Im Just Kiddin (**Justify**), a yearling filly by **Uncle Mo** and a weanling colt foaled Mar. 14 by **Medaglia d'Oro**.

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**TICONDEROGA S.**, \$194,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:37.80, my.

1--**AMANDA'S FOLLY**, 118, f, 3, **Mendelssohn--Privacy**, by **Notebook**. (\$100,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$80,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O/T-Linda Rice; B-Lambholm (NY); J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$110,000. Lifetime Record: 17-5-4-1, \$345,630. \*1/2 to Ancient Secret (**Kantharos**), GSW, \$439,434; 1/2 to Jais's Solitude (Afleet Alex), GSP, \$232,447.

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2--**Silver Skillet**, 122, f, 3, **Liam's Map--Catcha Rising Star**, by Red Giant. (\$260,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG). O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Rocco, Steven and Tango Uniform Racing LLC; B-Robert Chasanoff (NY); T-Christophe Clement. \$40,000.

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3--**Sweetie**, 122, m, 5, **Effinex--Margies Smile**, by Wheelaway. (\$7,000 Ylg '19 SARAUG). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Marjorie Krohn; B-Hidden Lake Farm LLC & Fred Rosen (NY); T-Gary Sciacca. \$24,000.

Margins: NK, 3, 11HF. Odds: 1.65, 0.90, 5.00.

Also Ran: Itsakeyper, Saratoga Chrome. Scratched: Can't Fool Me, Runaway Rumour, Spungie, Waterville, Whatlovelookslike.

Making only her second stakes start, Amanda's Folly was runner-up against state-breds in the Fleet Indian S. at Saratoga Aug. 27. Last seen facing open company upstate Sept. 4, she finished a well-beaten fifth against optional claimers before appearing here as the 8-5 main-track-only second choice.

Amanda's Folly tracked favorite Silver Skillet up the backstretch, attempted to range up on her rival around the far turn with limited success, but the dirt specialist timed her final push perfectly to win at the wire.

"This filly has a lot of stamina and a mile and an eighth suits her just fine," said owner and trainer Linda Rice. "I was a little concerned about shortening up to the mile that she would struggle with that a little bit, but she wore the leader down. I was thrilled when it came off [the turf]."

Out of an extended female family which includes GII Natalma S. winner Spring Venture (Spring At Last) and two-time Arlington H. victor Rahystrada (Rahy), the winner is a half-sister to GII Lake George S. heroine Ancient Secret (**Kantharos**). Her dam is responsible for an unraced 2-year-old filly named Summer in Toga (Omaha Beach) and she foaled a filly by **Kantharos** May 7.

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**Amanda's Folly** | *Susie Raisher*

**HUDSON S.**, \$150,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16.23, my.

1--**ROTKNEE**, 123, c, 4, **Runhappy--In Spite of Mama**, by **Speightstown**. O/B-William Butler (NY); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Jose Lezcano. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: 14-8-2-0, \$473,955. \*1/2 to My Mane Squeeze (**Audible**), SW, \$183,960; 1/2 to Lookin for Trouble (Into Mischief), MSP, \$170,220.

2--**Ny Traffic**, 121, h, 6, **Cross Traffic--Mamie Reilly**, by Graeme Hall. (\$27,000 RNA 2yo '19 EASMAY). O-John Fanelli, Cash is King LLC, LC Racing LLC, Paul Braverman and Team Hanley; B-Brian Culnan (NY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.. \$30,000.

3--**Thin White Duke**, 125, g, 5, **Dominus--Aberdeen Alley**, by Distorted Humor. O-Philip A. Gleaves, Steven Crist, Ken deRegt and Bryan Hilliard, Bryan; B-Phil Gleaves (NY); T-David G. Donk. \$18,000.

**McMAHON of Saratoga**  
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Margins: 1, 2 3/4, NO. Odds: 4.40, 1.40, 5.50.

Also Ran: Win for Gold, Ocean's Reserve, Amundson, Today's Flavor. Scratched: Be the Boss, Jemography.

Rotknee won a pair of state-bred stakes during his 3-year-old campaign on the NYRA circuit, but finished off the board in both of his open optional claiming attempts this term at Saratoga Aug. 11 and at Aqueduct Sept. 15.

Off as a 4-1 shot here, the dark bay colt angled in from the outside post, tracked Today's Flavor (Laoban) up the backstretch and briefly dueled with his target before taking over the lead around the far turn. Running on unopposed, the Mike Maker trainee found the wire in time over favorite NY Traffic.

"He's had a little time off there for the last couple of months, but he came back and this is exactly what I was looking for," said winning owner and breeder, William Butler. "Jose [Lezcano] did a great job. He kept his face clean and on a day like today with his speed, we just hung on."



Rotknee | Susie Raisher

The winner's dam produced a yearling filly by **War of Will**, foaled a colt May 11 by **Runhappy** and was bred to **Honest Mischief** for 2024. Third dam SW Nothing Special (Tejabo) is responsible for GI Jockey Club Gold Cup S. and GII Suburban H. star Haynesfield (**Speightstown**).

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**IROQUOIS S.**, \$150,000, Belmont The Big A, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16.47, my.

1--**STERLING SILVER, 123, f, 4, Cupid--Sheet Humor, by Distorted Humor.** (\$13,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL). O-Mark T. Anderson; B-Mallory Mort & Karen Mort (NY); T-Thomas Albertrani; J-Javier Castellano. \$82,500. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 18-6-3-3, \$652,988.

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2--**Leeloo, 121, f, 4, Practical Joke--Ribbon Cutter, by Elusive Quality.** (\$150,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**

O-Kingsport Farm; B-Sequel Stallions NY & Stonestreet Tbred Holdings, LLC (NY); T-Ignacio Correas, IV. \$30,000.

3--**Captainsdaughter, 123, f, 4, Midshipman--Joan's Rose, by Service Stripe.** O-Joseph Birnbaum; B-Ocean View Stable (NY); T-Russell J. Cash. \$18,000.

Margins: NK, 6 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 0.40, 5.40, 24.50.

Also Ran: Cairo Sugar, Funny How, Vallelujah, Bank On Anna. Scratched: Security Code.

Sterling Silver, a well-beaten sixth in the GI Ballerina H. at Saratoga Aug. 26, was disqualified and placed second after crossing the wire first last out in the GII Gallant Bloom S. at Aqueduct Oct. 1. Dropping into this easier spot, the heavy 2-5 choice trailed early, but began to chew up ground before the far turn. Under a full head of steam, the Tom Albertrani trainee pursued Leeloo past the eighth pole and under confident

handling she got her photo taken.

"She's very consistent," said Albertrani. "She only ran one bad race in the [GI] Ballerina at Saratoga, but that was a pretty hot race that day. The way she ran the last time was her best race. She's just a solid horse. It's great when she puts in that kind of effort. I always thought six to seven [furlongs] is her game, but probably not more than that."

The winner's unraced dam produced 2-year-old colt Rhetorical (**Not This Time**) who has yet to make the races and a yearling colt by Central Banker.

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**SOUTH OCEAN S.**, C\$100,000, Woodbine, 10-28, (S), 2yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15.74, ft.

1--**OLIVIA ROSE, 120, f, 2, by Silent Name (Jpn)--Malibu**

**Sunrise, by Malibu Moon. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Gabe Grossberg (ON); T-Mark E. Casse; J-Kazushi Kimura. C\$60,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$104,362. \*1/2 to Meyer (Singing Saint), MSP, \$361,832.

2--**Hurricane Clair, 122, f, 2, Silent Name (Jpn)--Hurricane Lorraine, by Weather Warning.** (C\$35,000 Ylg '22 CANSEP). O-David Rowbotham, Rodney Carpenter and Tony Boogmans; B-Bru-Mel Stables Co. (ON); T-Martin Drexler. C\$20,000.

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3--**Fourfiftyfour, 120, f, 2, Perfect Timber--Raging Town, by Jersey Town.** (\$10,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT). O/T-Barbara J. Minshall; B-Charles Fipke (ON). C\$11,000.

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Margins: 6HF, 1 3/4, 1HF. Odds: 1.45, 2.45, 2.45.



Sterling Silver | Susie Raisher





Sharp Tune | Coady Photography

Olivia Rose, after a pair of unsuccessful attempts over the summer to clear the maiden special weight condition, was dropped into open maiden optional claiming company Aug. 26 in Toronto and promptly won by 13 3/4 lengths. Losing the lead late against state-breds at Woodbine in the Sept. 24 Victorian Queen S., the dark bay was rewarded as the 7-5 choice here. The homebred controlled the pace up the backstretch, continued to travel well around the far turn and spurted away at the top of the lane to seal the deal. The winner's dam, who is a half-sister to MSW Peach Flambe (Flying Chevron), is responsible for a yearling colt by **Outwork** and she visited Reload for 2024. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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**6th-Churchill Downs, \$127,000, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 10-29, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:19.32, sy, 1 length.**  
**SHARP TUNE (f, 2, **Frosted**--Classy Tune {MSP, \$135,504}, by **Maclean's Music**)** was a two-length gate-to-wire winner in her debut over this track in a five-furlong sprint affair May 26. Not seen in the afternoon since, the homebred returned Sunday a 6-1 shot and spotted the field a step at the break, forcing her to settle off the early pace. Positioned between horses around the turn, she needed running room and found it with an outside move to hit the front inside the final furlong.

Barbratina (**Catholic Boy**) closed into her lead late but Sharp Tune was home safe a length in front. Classy Tune, picked up by Douglas Scharbauer for \$230,000 out of the 2019 KEEJAN sale, has a yearling **Violence** colt and a weanling **Hard Spun** filly. She was covered by Shoplifted and Competitive Edge for next year. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$141,960. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-Douglas Scharbauer (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

## **Hidden Brook Foaled & Raised**

**9th-Churchill Downs, \$126,770, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 10-29, 2yo, 7f, 1:24.48, sy, 4 lengths.**

**OTTO THE CONQUEROR (c, 2, **Street Sense**--Dream It Is {GSW-USA, SW-Can, \$175,544}, by **Shackleford**),** second to Sunday's Gill **Street Sense** S. winner Liberal Arts (Arrogate) in his debut at Ellis Park Aug. 13, came back to break his maiden over this track and distance Sept. 22. Stepped up to face winners here, the 5-2 shot was quick to the lead from the middle of the gate and set moderate fractions over the sloppy surface of :23.19 and :46.70. In command turning for home, he was ridden out to the wire to win by four lengths. Honor Marie (Honor Code) was second ahead of race favorite Just Steel (**Justify**). Dream It Is, winner of the Gill Schuylerville S., has a yearling filly by **Blame** and a weanling filly by **Curlin**. She is due in the Spring on an **Uncle Mo** cover. Sales History: \$450,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$157,360. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Three Chimneys Farm; B-Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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**7th-Santa Anita, \$64,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000),** 10-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.77, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

**YERWANTHERE (IRE) (f, 4, Markaz {Ire}--Fast Jazz {Ire}, by Frozen Power {Ire})** began her juvenile career under Patrick Foley before switching to Joseph O'Brien's yard where she was last seen running a well-beaten eighth July 2 at The Curragh. In her stateside debut, she finished just off the board against optional claimers Aug. 26 at Del Mar before being installed as a 7-2 shot here. The dark bay cut over to fence at the bell, settled in last heading into the first turn and continued to trail through the far turn. Tipping to the extreme outside at the top of the lane, Yerwanthere uncorked a strong rally to win by 1 1/4 lengths over With Love (GB) (Territories {Ire}). The winner's unraced dam is responsible for 3-year-old filly Special Wan (Ire) (Belardo {Ire}), unraced 2-year-old filly Over The Blues (Ire) (Bungle Inthejungle {GB}) and a yearling colt by Profitable (Ire). Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$69,782. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners; B-Kilnamoragh Stud (IRE); T-Patrick Gallagher.



**IN ORDER OF PURSE:**

**3rd-Churchill Downs, \$122,250, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.83,** sy, 1 length.

**COASTAL INVASION (f, 2, Omaha Beach--Intelyhente, by Smart Strike)** went off favored at even money and broke right to the front to show the way through a :21.97 opening quarter over

the slop. Kept off the rail in the clear, she took on a challenge from eventual runner-up Blue Squall (**Tapwrit**) at the top of the lane and dueled that rival into defeat close to home to graduate by a length. A \$700,000 OBSAPR 2-year-old purchase, Coastal Invasion is the 18th winner for her freshman sire (by **War Front**). Intelyhente had a colt by **War of Will** this year and returned to that same stallion for 2024. Sales History: \$200,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$700,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$69,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Hoffman Family Racing, LLC and Schwing Thoroughbreds; B-William Duignan & Tranquility Investments Limited (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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**11th-Churchill Downs, \$122,250, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 1m,** 1:39.44, sy, 2 3/4 lengths.

**LOOKSTER (f, 2, Hard Spun--Sea Level Drive {GSP, \$156,681}, by Malibu Moon)** debuted a well-beaten fourth at Ellis Park over a muddy six furlongs Aug. 26. Given the extra two panels to run Sunday at odds of 5-1, she was quick to the front inside of Pin Up Betty (**Constitution**) before settling just off that rival for the backstretch run. Up along the rail to challenge turning for home, she was well clear of a closing Perfect Shot (**Gun Runner**) to graduate by 2 3/4 lengths. A half-sister to Luckman (Empire Maker), SW, \$199,443, Lookster has a pair of younger half-brothers by Speighster and **Mo Town**, respectively. Her dam joined Mo Donegal's first book for 2024. Sales History: \$160,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$185,000 2yo '23 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$73,200. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Robert E. Masterson; B-Tenlane Farm, LLC (KY); T-Norm W. Casse.



**Lookster** | Coady Photography





**Real Men Violin (outside)** | *Coady Photography*

**5th-Churchill Downs, \$121,125, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 1m, 1:38.32, sy, 1/2 length.**

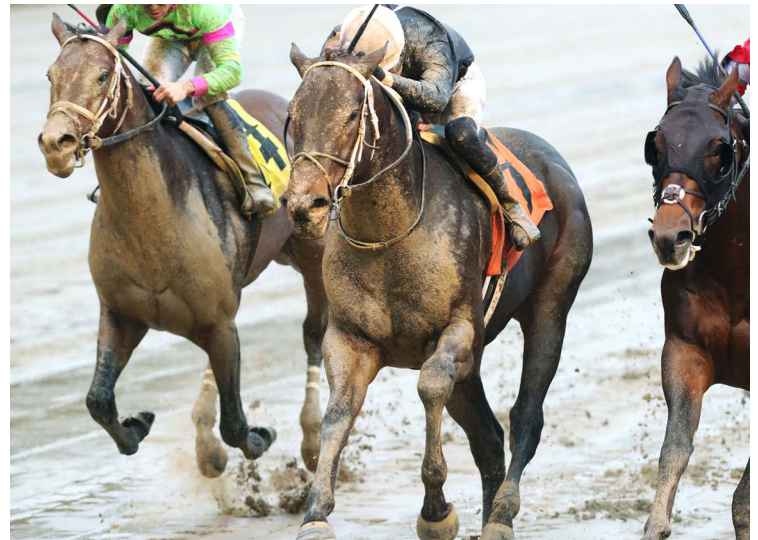
**REAL MEN VIOLIN (c, 2, Mendelssohn--Meg Fitz, by Tapit)**, on the board in four prior starts over turf and dirt at four different tracks, returned to Louisville off a third last out on the Keeneland turf Oct. 12. Back in just over two weeks time while returning to the dirt, the 7-1 shot stayed off the speed in the back half of the field. Saving ground against the rail, he squeezed through a gap inside of runners into the lane, tipped outside of pacesetter Track Phantom (**Quality Road**) and drove past for the half-length win. Out of a half-sister to GISW I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even), Real Men Violin has a yearling **Speightstown** half-brother who sold for \$600,000 at this year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale. Meg Fitz produced a **War Front** filly this year and was covered by **Olympiad** for 2024. Sales History: \$110,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-1, \$138,775. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Tilted Shamrock Stables; B-Newtownanner Stud Farm (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeck.

**NEWTOWNANNER STUD BRED & RAISED**

**2nd-Churchill Downs, \$120,000, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 6f, 1:11.80, sy, head.**

**BYE BYE LIAM (c, 2, Bolt d'Oro--Grammajo, by Street Sense)** tracked in fifth after the jump as well-bred firster Bowstreet (Into Mischief) roared through opening fractions of :21.05 and :44.83 over the slop. Grinding home relentlessly as the tempo caught up to the frontrunner, Bye Bye Liam jumped to the wrong lead inside the sixteenth pole but had enough momentum to nail the half-brother to MGISW Mitole (Eskendereya) and MGISW Hot Rod Charlie (Oxbow) by a head at 27-1 odds.



**Bye Bye Liam** | *Coady*

The second foal out of the mare to get his photo taken from as many to the races, the winner was fourth sprinting over this venue's turf course on unveiling Sept. 29. He has a pair of half-sisters--a Toms d'Etat yearling as well as a 2023 **Upstart** weanling. Grammajo went back to that sire for 2024. Sales history: \$100,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$200,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$75,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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Hip 1918: Dam sells KEENOV w/Grovendale		

**7th-Churchill Downs, \$119,775, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 1m (off turf), 1:39.90, sy, 1 1/2 lengths.**

**SNEAD (c, 2, Nyquist--Raffle Ticket, by A.P. Indy)** ran third at Ellis Park in a mile turf maiden in August before finishing fourth last out Sept. 24 over this venue's turf course at 1 1/16 miles. Rained off the turf and on a sloppy track here, Snead left the blocks awkwardly as the 8-5 favorite and pursued the opening flight from mid pack. Under cover entering the bend and under urging as he shifted into the four path through the turn, he made up multiple lengths in the lane with a strong closing kick and edged past 62-1 longshot Speedtail (**Mastery**) to win by 1 1/2 lengths. Snead has a yearling half-brother by **City of Light** as well as a 2023 half-sister by **Street Sense**. Dam Raffle Ticket, full-sister to the late Bernardini and a half-sister to GISP Ile de France (Storm Cat)--herself dam of MGISW Love and Pride (A. P. Indy), was bred to Cyberknife for 2024. This is the extended family of Peruvian Group 1 winner Secret Garden (Per) (Flanders Fields), dam of GISP Sequist (**Nyquist**). **Cont. p10**





Snead | Coady

Sales history: \$125,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$210,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG; \$325,000 2yo '23 EASMAV. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$82,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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**4th-Churchill Downs, \$119,775, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:49.43, sy, head.**

**TOASTED ROLL (f, 2, Frosted--Honey Muffin, by Candy Ride {Arg}),** fifth after pressing the pace going 6 1/2 panels over the Kentucky Downs turf Aug. 31, filled the same spot going five furlongs in an off-turf maiden special weight at Churchill Sept. 28. Stretching out in this rained-off affair, the 3-1 shot broke from the far outside and sprinted out and over to take the early lead. Well held on a clear lead down the backstretch as the quarter went up in :23.35 and the half in :48.06, the gray filly turned for home five lengths in front but just held off the late rush of Roselee May (**Blame**) to graduate by a head. Toasted Roll was a \$52,000 purchase at the OBS Spring sale earlier this year. The unraced Honey Muffin, a half-sister to Grade I-placed A Lot (**Tapit**), has a yearling full-brother to the winner who sold for \$38,000 at this year's Keeneland September sale. After aborting a Flatter foal, the mare was bred back to **Upstart** this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$77,100.

O-Redhawk Racing, LLC; B-Magic Cap Stable LLC (KY); T-J Sharp.

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Toasted Roll (inside) holds off Roselee May | Coady Photography

**1st-Churchill Downs, \$92,840, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:18.23, sy, 1 1/2 lengths.**

**LUCKY JEREMY (c, 2, Lookin At Lucky--Powder N Blush, by War Chant)** was only beaten two lengths when fifth against auction-restricted company Sept. 29 at Churchill Downs and was given a 7-2 chance here. The bay colt wrangled the lead up the backstretch, continued to hold on to a tenuous advantage around the far turn and dug in to hold on to win by 1 1/2 lengths over longshot Wistucky (**Nyquist**). The winner's dam produced a yearling colt by Exaggerator and foaled a filly Apr. 22 by Basin. Sales History: \$14,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$50,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$55,080. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Stable H. M. A.; B-Craig L Minten (KY); T-William E. Morey.

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**5th-Woodbine, C\$86,168, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 7f (AWT) (off turf), 1:24.49, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.**

**NAPTOWN (c, 2, Munnings--Gold Medalist, by Medaglia d'Oro),** third at Laurel Park Oct. 5, went off the tepid 3-1 choice here. Raced in the second flight up the backstretch, the Ontario-bred launched his bid around the far turn, cleared before the eighth pole and graduated by 5 1/2 lengths over Wagner (Heart to Heart). The winner's dam, who is a half-sister to GIII Eclipse S. victor Southdale (Street Cry {Ire}) and the dam of GIII Razorback H. hero Plainsman (Flatter), foaled a filly Feb. 5 by **Maxfield** and visited **Speaker's Corner** for 2024. Sales History: \$120,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$43,174. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Robert V. LaPenta and Madaket Stables LLC; B-552727 Ontario LTD. (ON); T-H. Graham Motion.

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**1st-Woodbine, C\$83,428, Msw, 10-29, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m (AWT) (off turf), 1:52.46, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.**

**LOOSE WIRE (c, 3, *Street Sense*--*Dance With Doves*, by *A.P. Indy*)** topped the 2021 Fasig-Tipton October Yearling Sale when purchased for \$925,000 by Mike Repole and St. Elias Stable. Getting Lasix while debuting around two turns here, the 2-1 second choice exited the outside gate cleanly and raced mid-pack into the first turn. Traveling well up the backstretch, the bay was given his cue before the far turn, took control and continued to accelerate, cantering home by 6 1/4 lengths over Giovannino (Into Mischief). Out of an extended female family which includes Canadian champion 3-year-old filly Dancethruthedawn (Mr. Prospector), GI Whitney S. hero Moreno (*Ghostzapper*) and Canadian Horse of the Year Dance Smartly (Danzig), the winner is a half-brother to Dance Again (Awesome Again), SW-Can, GSP-USA, \$270,604 and Swoop and Strike (Smart Strike), GSP, \$128,673. His dam is responsible for a yearling colt by *Lookin At Lucky*, foaled a filly by *Nyquist* Apr. 28 and was bred to *Maclean's Music* for next year. Sales History: \$925,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$37,974. O-Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC; B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Kevin Attard. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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**Loose Wire (Hip 1107) | Fasig-Tipton**

**1st-Belmont The Big A, \$75,000, (S), Msw, 10-29, 2yo, f, 6ft, 1:11.80, gd, 2 3/4 lengths.**

**DUSK (f, 2, *Bolt d'Oro*--*Bourbon Endowment*, by *Sky Mesa*)** finished fourth when entered for turf in each of her first two starts that ultimately were rained off, including the most recent here Oct. 1. Finally on her preferred surface, the 9-5 favorite tracked pacesetter Lil' Hayadoin (Bal a Bali {Brz}) from second up the backstretch and came into the turn on even terms. The top pair hit the quarter-pole together, but Dusk had the better closing drive and opened up to win by 2 3/4 lengths as Tongue Twister (Get Stormy) came on for second. Bourbon Endowment has a *Tiz the Law* yearling filly and reported another filly by *Classic Empire* this year before visiting *Golden Pal* and *Early Voting* for 2024. Sales History: \$100,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$125,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$140,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$51,030. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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**9th-Santa Anita, \$63,000, Msw, 10-29, 2yo, 1mT, 1:35.75, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.**

**MIRACLE MARK (c, 2, *Constitution*--*Melody's Spirit*, by *Scat Daddy*)**, a half-brother to Champion sprinter Whitmore (Pleasantly Perfect) (MGISW, \$4,502,350), was promoted to third second time out going a mile at Del Mar in August before taking the same spot last time in a seven-furlong main track test in Arcadia Sept. 24. Sent off at 7-1 for this turf bow, he jumped to the front early and led throughout en route to a 1 1/4-length victory over 18-1 chance Nesso's Lastharrah (*Sharp Azteca*). Favored Guy Named Joe (*American Pharoah*) finished third. In addition to Miracle Mark and the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint champion, Melody's Spirit is also responsible for a yearling filly by Uncle Mo--who brought \$75,000 at the recent Fasig-Tipton October Sale--and was bred back to *Practical Joke*. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$52,340. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC and Slam Dunk Racing; B-Nick Cosato (KY); T-Philip D'Amato.

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**7th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw, 10-29, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT),**  
:56.57, ft, 3/4 length.

**ITALIAN SYMPHONY (g, 3, Mendelssohn--Power of Snunner {MSW & MGSP, \$638,685}, by Power by Far)** was runner-up on three different surfaces in four prior starts, including a pair over the Presque Isle Downs synthetic while under the care of Cassandra Judd this past spring. Debuting for Jorge Delgado on the Monmouth turf July 14, the gelding was second again before filling the same spot in his latest, a sloppy main track test in Oceanport Aug. 25. Chasing from three off the fence in fifth, he was six wide swinging for home and ran down a tiring Bear Bear (Mr Speaker) to by 3/4 lengths. Out of an accomplished racemare in her own right who hit the board in 29 of her 38 lifetime starts, Italian Symphony is the flag bearer to the races for Power of Snunner, who has a 2-year-old Lady of Power (**Hard Spun**) and a 2023 Yaupon filly. She visited Jackie's Warrior for 2024. This is the female family of millionaire, 22-time winner MGSW Page McKenney. Sales history: \$72,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$45,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR; \$33,000 2yo '22 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 5-1-4-0, \$59,800. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Flying B Ranch Cattle Company LLC; B-Four Pillars Holdings LLC (KY); T-Jorge Delgado.



**10th-Remington, \$34,000, Msw, 10-28, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:14.08, sy, 2 lengths.**

**LAURIE'S SECRET (f, 2, Hard Spun--Girls Secret, by Giant's Causeway),** sent off at 5-1 in this debut, raced in second up the backstretch, passed Answer the Call (**Dialed In**) around the far turn and held sway down the lane to graduate by two lengths over the early pacesetter. The winner is a half-sister to Will's Secret (Will Take Charge), GSW & MGISP, \$699,705 and Ben Diesel (Will Take Charge), GSP, \$278,781. Her dam produced a yearling filly by Will Take Charge and was bred to **City of Light** for next year. Second dam and GII Honeymoon S. heroine Well Monied (Maria's Mon) is a half-sister to several stakes winners, including GI King's Bishop S. runner-up Economic Model (Flatter), who was sent to the UAE in 2018, and GISP Happy American (**Runhappy**). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,094. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O/B-Willis Horton Racing LLC (KY); T-Eddie Milligan, Jr.

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**Catalina Cruiser (Union Rags),** Lane's End Farm, \$15,000  
110 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners  
4-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:03 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Aim Higher, 30-1

**Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro),** Darley, \$5,000  
104 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners  
7-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Fourfiftyseven, 15-1  
\$32,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$47,000 OBS APR 2yo

**Flameaway (Scat Daddy),** Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500  
116 foals of racing age/15 winners/2 black-type winners  
7-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Don't Touch, 15-1

**Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief),** Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500  
136 foals of racing age/25 winners/2 black-type winners  
7-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Wee Bit O Mischief, 2-1  
\$25,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$50,000 OBS MAR 2yo

**Mitole (Eskendereya),** Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000  
159 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners  
4-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:03 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Life's Joy, 8-5  
\$160,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$300,000 KEE SEP yrl

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**Big Riot**, g, 8, **Flutter**--Ms. Lydonia (MSW & GSP-US, \$326,937), by Labeeb. Treviso, 10-29, Rcl., 1650mT. O-Riccardo Belluco. B-Carson Springs Farm (FL). T-Paolo Favero. \*\$7,500 Ylg '16 OBSAUG.

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**STAKES RESULTS:**

**O.D. MCDONALD S.**, (NB) \$100,000, Albuquerque, 10-29, (S), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:21.25, ft.

1--**DELBERT TOO**, 121, g, 5, **Marking--On Stride**, by **Ghostly Moves**. (\$25,000 Ylg '19 RUIAUG). O/T-Filiberto Quiroz; B-Fred Alexander (NM); J-Alejandro Medellin. \$58,000. Lifetime Record: SW, 38-7-8-8, \$479,400.

2--**One Mark**, 121, g, 5, **Marking--Cherry One**, by Sir Cherokee. O-Fincher Racing LLC; B-Cleber J Massey (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$20,000.

3--**Strawberry Whisky**, 121, g, 6, **Fusaichi Zenon** (Jpn)--Strawberry Pet, by Peticionville. O/T-Celio E. Trujillo, Jr.; B-Michael Weatherly (NM). \$10,000.

Margins: NK, HF, 1. Odds: 6.20, 3.00, 2.50.

**PETTICOAT S.**, (NB) \$100,000, Albuquerque, 10-28, (S), 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16.10, ft.

1--**BETTER BELIEVE**, 119, f, 3, by **Marking--Lookin Better**, by **Lookin At Lucky**. O/B-Lee Lewis & Brad King (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher; J-Felipe Valdez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: SW, 10-5-3-0, \$350,166.

2--**Mama Was a Rocket**, 122, f, 3, **Diabolical--Gator Prowl**, by Roar of the Tiger. O-J. Kirk Robison and Judy Robison; B-J Kirk and Judy Robison and Downstream Racing LLC (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. \$20,000.

3--**Moonlight Warrior**, 119, f, 3, **Archwarrior--Prairie Moonlight**, by Premeditation. O-V Bar V Racing LLC; B-Jim Volk (NM); T-Joel H. Marr. \$10,000.

Margins: 3HF, 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 2.10, 1.40, 4.10.

**LURE S.**, \$96,980, Santa Anita, 10-28, (C), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:33.40, fm.

1--**EASTER (FR)**, 124, g, 5, **Exosphere (Aus)--Excellent Girl (GB) (GSP-Fr)**, by **Exceed And Excel (Aus)**. (€150,000 3yo '21 ARARC). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Madaket Stables LLC; B-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd. (FR); T-H. Graham Motion; J-Lanfranco Dettori. \$54,120. Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 17-5-3-3, \$327,910. \*1/2 to Sweetie Dream (Fr) (Dream Ahead), GSW-Fr.

2--**Bally's Charm**, 126, g, 4, **Roi Charmant--Ballydonnell Drive**, by Arch. O-Red Baron's Barn LLC and Vaya Con Suerte, LLC; B-Red Baron's Barn LLC & Vaya Con Suerte (CA); T-Jeff Mullins. \$22,840.

3--**Cabo Spirit**, 126, g, 4, **Pioneerof the Nile--Fancy Day (Ire)**, by Shamardal. (\$145,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$575,000 2yo '21 OBSAPR). O-Kretz Racing LLC; B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY); T-George Papaprodromou. \$10,824.

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**PIKE PLACE DANCER S.**, \$75,450, Golden Gate Fields, 10-28, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:38.32, fm.

1--**CHARLENE'S DREAM**, 122, f, 2, by **Qurbaan--Clara Kelly**, by **War Front**. (\$22,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$35,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$35,000 2yo '23 EASMAY). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Domeyko Taylor LP; B-Eric Moreau-Sipiere & Randi Moreau-Sipiere (TX); T-Ed Moger, Jr.; J-Evin A. Roman. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$69,200.

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2--**Angiolleta (Ire)**, 122, f, 2, **Calyx (GB)**--**Angelic Guest (Ire)**, by Dark Angel (Ire). (20,000gns Ylg '22 TADEY). O-Great Friends Stables, LLC, James F. Cahill, Mark Davis and Ty Leatherman; B-Wardley Bloodstock (IRE); T-Doug F. O'Neill. \$15,000.

3--**Soho**, 122, f, 2, **City of Light**--Keri Belle, by Empire Maker. (\$625,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Talla Racing LLC and West Point Thoroughbreds; B-Marc Keller (KY); T-John W. Sadler. \$9,000.

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**SWEET HOME ALABAMA SPECIAL S.**, (NB) \$50,000, Delta Downs, 10-28, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:23.26, ft.

1--**HEZA ROYAL CAT, 118, g, 4, Sabercat--Comala's Sonata, by Polished Brass.** O-Ronnie P. Ward; B-Bobby G. Pruitt (AL); T-Ronnie P. Ward; J-Jose Andres Guerrero. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$30,270.

2--**Unaffiliated, 118, g, 4, Americain--Track Teller, by English Channel.** O/B-Laurie Elaine Sanderson & Nanette Cathleen Cartier (AL); T-Denise Schmidt. \$10,000.

3--**Strike a Bargain, 118, c, 3, Chamois--Power's Blondie, by Power of Mind.** O/B-Bobby G. Pruitt (AL); T-Ronnie P. Ward. \$5,000.

Margins: 1, 2HF, HD. Odds: 17.80, 7.70, 67.90.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

4th-**Belmont The Big A, \$85,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm** (\$45,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, 6f (off turf), 1:11.13, gd, 1/2 length.

**DISARMED (c, 3, Maclean's Music--Saravati, by Giant's Causeway)** Lifetime Record: 16-4-5-3, \$283,370. O-Michael Imperio, Rudy R. Rodriguez and Andrew Gurdon; B-Kingsport Farms, LLC (NY); T-Rudy R. Rodriguez. \*\$165,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG. \*\*1/2 to Mask Zorro (Roman Ruler), GSW-Jpn, \$1,284,552.

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7th-**Woodbine, C\$81,848, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm** (\$21,625-\$23,067), 10-29, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:43.16, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

**J P HELLISH (g, 7, J P's Gusto--Rakehellish, by Unbridled Time)** Lifetime Record: 45-9-7-6, \$273,863. O-Mad Dog Racing Stable; B-Jan Alan Meehan & John Petika (FL); T-Martin Drexler.

9th-**Woodbine, C\$80,500, (C)/Opt. Clm** (\$57,667), 10-29, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.72, ft, head.

**HAZELBROOK (m, 5, Bayern--Zaphia, by Bernstein)** Lifetime Record: Ch. Female Sprinter-Can, MGSW, 15-7-2-2, \$395,858. O-True North Stable; B-Mike Bilbrey (KY); T-Lorne Richards. \*\$50,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV. \*\*1/2 to Zuzanna (Wilburn), GSW, \$272,096.

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7th-**Santa Anita, \$66,500, (C)/Opt. Clm** (\$80,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:11.06, fm, head.

**DANIEL'S MAGIC (g, 5, Magician {Ire}--Love and War, by War Chant)** Lifetime Record: 19-5-4-4, \$252,433. O-S. J. S. Stables and Lindy S. Diamond; B-SJS Stables (KY); T-Eoin G. Harty.

2nd-**Santa Anita, \$63,500, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm** (\$20,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.38, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

**RUFF RIDE (f, 3, Clubhouse Ride--Oscillator, by Decarchy)** Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-2, \$104,360. O/B-Six-S Racing Stable (CA); T-Craig Anthony Lewis.

6th-**Laurel, \$61,080, 10-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.25, fm, 3/4 length.**

**CHARMING WAY (f, 4, Blofeld--Ready Charm, by More Than Ready)** Lifetime Record: 16-4-5-1, \$188,721. O-Troy Johnson and Jagger, Inc.; B-Melissa Cantacuzene (MD); T-Jamie Ness.

9th-**Laurel, \$60,060, 10-29, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.76, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.**

**SHE IS WISKY (f, 4, Lea--Lady Arielle's Key, by Indygo Shiner)** Lifetime Record: SP, 19-4-4-4, \$218,886. O-SAB Stable Inc.; B-Barak Farm (MD); T-Brittany T. Russell.

8th-**Gulfstream, \$42,250, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm** (\$20,000), 10-29, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.87, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

**GRANTED SUCCESS (c, 3, Khozan--Henny Betty, by Henny Hughes)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$37,820. O-Soldi Stable LLC; B-Lynne & Chris Boutte (FL); T-Jose Francisco D'Angelo. \*\$25,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT.

9th-**Remington, \$40,000, 10-28, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46.44, sy, 5 lengths.**

**DUST EM (g, 5, Too Much Bling--Dixie Dust {MSP, \$306,791}, by Dixieland Heat)** Lifetime Record: SW, 32-10-4-2, \$331,087. O-Carl R. Moore Management LLC; B-Douglas Scharbauer (TX); T-Karen E. Jacks.

4th-**Albuquerque, \$33,000, 10-28, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.40, ft, neck.**

**WON SASSY RIDE (f, 4, Sea Candy Ride--Sassy Won, by Corslew)** Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-1, \$25,915. O/B-Homer Thoroughbreds (WA); T-Travis Wheeler.

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**8th-Albuquerque, \$33,000**, 10-29, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.12, ft, 2 lengths.

**MEDIMPACT (g, 3, More Than Ready--Bixby Lou, by Harlan's Holiday)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$45,700. O-Jeremy Ramsland; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Dick Cappellucci. \*\$70,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$52,000 2yo '22 EASMAV.

**7th-Charles Town, \$28,300**, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 10-28, 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51.33, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

**DUNCAN IDAHO (c, 3, Fiber Sonde--Holy Pow Wow, by Indian Charlie)** Lifetime Record: 8-4-1-2, \$82,317. O-David M. Raim; B-John McKee (WV); T-Jeff C. Runco. \*Full to Muad'dib, MSW & GSP, \$890,891 and Late Night Pow Wow, MGSW & GISP, \$700,400.

**1st-Charles Town, \$27,400**, (S), 10-28, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :53.19, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

**GEORGE (g, 3, Peace and Justice--Turn Capp, by Street Magician)** Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$43,769. O/B-Fairview Farm (WV); T-David Walters.

**5th-Charles Town, \$27,400**, 10-28, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.63, ft, neck.

**LITTLE ROO ROO (g, 3, Limehouse--Pepper Bay {MSP, \$141,807}, by Bop)** Lifetime Record: MSW, 13-8-1-0, \$248,135. O/T-Michael E. Jones, Jr.; B-Sherwood Bryant (WV).

**6th-Charles Town, \$27,400**, 10-28, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:26.65, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

**LORD OF CORK (g, 3, Denis of Cork--Lady Jillet, by Windsor Castle)** Lifetime Record: SP, 20-4-4-2, \$134,449. O-Casey's Legacy LLC; B-Taylor Mountain Farm (WV); T-Ronald G. Sigler.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Capo Luigi**, c, 2, **Dads Caps--She's Striking**, by Smart Strike. Golden Gate Fields, 10-29, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05.17. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$33,000. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). \*\$7,000 Ylg '22 NCAAU.

**Favoritism**, g, 2, **Enticed--Comanche Princess**, by Indian Charlie. Santa Anita, 10-28, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:17.31. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,350. B-Altamira Stable (KY). \*\$75,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$140,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSMAR. \*\*16th winner for freshman sire (by Medaglia d'Oro).

**Loretta Lynn**, f, 2, **Grazen--Sunday Rules** (MSW & GSP, \$579,580), by Tribal Rule. Santa Anita, 10-29, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:18.48. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,600. B-Nick Alexander (CA). \*1ST-TIME STARTER.

**Cant Stop Dreaming**, f, 2, **Khozan--Morethanamiracle**, by Line in the Sand. Gulfstream, 10-29, (S), 6f, 1:13.79. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$26,800. B-Kathy Machesky (FL).

**Ali'i Nui**, c, 2, **Street Boss--Boss Babe**, by **Take Charge Indy**. Gulfstream, 10-29, (S), 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.82. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$26,000. B-David Palmer & Teresa Palmer (FL).

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**Varsity**, g, 3, **Mucho Macho Man--Pilaf**, by Woodman. Remington, 10-28, 1m (off turf), 1:40.81. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-2, \$34,177. B-Emilie Gerlinde Fojan (KY). \*\$90,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Brennero (Divine Park), GSW-Per.

**Brooklyn Girlee**, f, 3, **Nyquist--Wickedly**, by Mr. Greeley. Laurel, 10-29, 5 1/2ft, 1:02.18. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-0, \$54,000. B-C. Kidder, N. Cole & B. Kidder (KY). \*\$75,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$140,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

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**Cribbage Board**, g, 4, **Stanford--Veiled Threat**, by You and I. Santa Anita, 10-29, (S), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05.40. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-2, \$33,120. B-Lori Gallegos (CA).

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**Arrogate**, Liberal Arts, c, 2, o/o Ismene, by Tribal Rule. GIII **Street Sense** S., 10-29, Churchill Downs

**Arrogate**, Straight Arrow, g, 4, o/o Lulu's Number, by Numerous. Empire Classic S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A

**Audible**, My Mane Squeeze, f, 2, o/o In Spite of Mama, by **Speightstown**. Maid of the Mist S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A **Bayern**, Hazelbrook, m, 5, o/o Zaphia, by Bernstein. AOC, 10-29, Woodbine

**Blofeld**, Charming Way, f, 4, o/o Ready Charm, by More Than Ready. ALW, 10-29, Laurel

**Bolt d'Oro**, Bye Bye Liam, c, 2, o/o Grammajo, by **Street Sense**. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs

- Bolt d'Oro**, Dusk, f, 2, o/o Bourbon Endowment, by **Sky Mesa**. MSW, 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Clubhouse Ride**, Ruff Ride, f, 3, o/o Oscillator, by Decarchy. AOC, 10-29, Santa Anita
- Constitution**, Miracle Mark, c, 2, o/o Melody's Spirit, by Scat Daddy. MSW, 10-29, Santa Anita
- Cupid**, Sterling Silver, f, 4, o/o Sheet Humor, by Distorted Humor. Iroquois S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Dads Caps**, Capo Luigi, c, 2, o/o She's Striking, by Smart Strike. MSW, 10-29, Golden Gate
- Denis of Cork**, Lord of Cork, g, 3, o/o Lady Jillet, by Windsor Castle. ALW, 10-28, Charles Town
- Enticed**, Favoritism, g, 2, o/o Comanche Princess, by Indian Charlie. MOC, 10-28, Santa Anita
- Exosphere (Aus)**, Easter (Fr), g, 5, o/o Excellent Girl (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). Lure S., 10-28, Santa Anita
- Fiber Sonde**, Duncan Idaho, c, 3, o/o Holy Pow Wow, by Indian Charlie. AOC, 10-28, Charles Town
- Frosted**, Sharp Tune, f, 2, o/o Classy Tune, by **Maclean's Music**. AOC, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Frosted**, Toasted Roll, f, 2, o/o Honey Muffin, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Grazen**, Loretta Lynn, f, 2, o/o Sunday Rules, by Tribal Rule. MSW, 10-29, Santa Anita
- Hard Spun**, Laurie's Secret, f, 2, o/o Girls Secret, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 10-28, Remington
- Hard Spun**, Lookster, f, 2, o/o Sea Level Drive, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- J P's Gusto**, J P Hellish, g, 7, o/o Rakehellish, by Unbridled Time. AOC, 10-29, Woodbine
- Khozan**, Cant Stop Dreaming, f, 2, o/o Morethanamiracle, by Line in the Sand. MSW, 10-29, Gulfstream
- Khozan**, Granted Success, c, 3, o/o Henny Betty, by Henny Hughes. AOC, 10-29, Gulfstream
- Lea**, She Is Wisky, f, 4, o/o Lady Arielle's Key, by Indygo Shiner. ALW, 10-29, Laurel
- Limehouse**, Little Roo Roo, g, 3, o/o Pepper Bay, by Bop. ALW, 10-28, Charles Town
- Lookin At Lucky**, Lucky Jeremy, c, 2, o/o Powder N Blush, by War Chant. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Maclean's Music**, Disarmed, c, 3, o/o Saravati, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Magician (Ire)**, Daniel's Magic, g, 5, o/o Love and War, by War Chant. AOC, 10-29, Santa Anita
- Markaz (Ire)**, Yerwanthere (Ire), f, 4, o/o Fast Jazz (Ire), by Frozen Power (Ire). AOC, 10-28, Santa Anita
- Marking**, Better Believe, f, 3, o/o Lookin Better, by **Lookin At Lucky**. Petticoat S., 10-28, Albuquerque
- Marking**, Delbert Too, g, 5, o/o On Stride, by Ghostly Moves. O.D. McDonald S., 10-29, Albuquerque
- Medaglia d'Oro**, Spirit of St Louis, g, 4, o/o Khancord Kid, by Lemon Drop Kid. Mohawk S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Mendelssohn**, Amanda's Folly, f, 3, o/o Privacy, by Notebook. Ticonderoga S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Mendelssohn**, Italian Symphony, g, 3, o/o Power of Snunner, by Power by Far. MSW, 10-29, Gulfstream
- Mendelssohn**, Real Men Violin, c, 2, o/o Meg Fitz, by **Tapit**. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- More Than Ready**, Medimpact, g, 3, o/o Bixby Lou, by Harlan's Holiday. ALW, 10-29, Albuquerque
- Mucho Macho Man**, Varsity, g, 3, o/o Pilaf, by Woodman. MSW, 10-28, Remington
- Munnings**, Naptown, c, 2, o/o Gold Medalist, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. MSW, 10-29, Woodbine
- Nyquist**, Brooklyn Girlee, f, 3, o/o Wickedly, by Mr. Greeley. MSW, 10-29, Laurel
- Nyquist**, Snead, c, 2, o/o Raffle Ticket, by A.P. Indy. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Omaha Beach**, Coastal Invasion, f, 2, o/o Intelyhente, by Smart Strike. MSW, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Peace and Justice**, George, g, 3, o/o Turn Capp, by Street Magician. ALW, 10-28, Charles Town
- Qurbaan**, Charlene's Dream, f, 2, o/o Clara Kelly, by **War Front**. Pike Place Dancer S., 10-28, Golden Gate
- Runhappy**, Rotknee, c, 4, o/o In Spite of Mama, by **Speightstown**. Hudson S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Sabercat**, Heza Royal Cat, g, 4, o/o Comala's Sonata, by Polished Brass. Sweet Home Alabama Special S., 10-28, Delta Downs
- Sea Candy Ride**, Won Sassy Ride, f, 4, o/o Sassy Won, by Corslew. ALW, 10-28, Albuquerque
- Shackelford**, Know It All Audrey, f, 4, o/o Know It All Anna, by **Midnight Lute**. Empire Distaff S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Silent Name (Jpn)**, Olivia Rose, f, 2, o/o Malibu Sunrise, by Malibu Moon. South Ocean S., 10-28, Woodbine
- Stanford**, Cribbage Board, g, 4, o/o Veiled Threat, by You and I. MCL, 10-29, Santa Anita
- Street Boss**, Ali'i Nui, c, 2, o/o Boss Babe, by **Take Charge Indy**. MSW, 10-29, Gulfstream
- Street Sense**, Loose Wire, c, 3, o/o Dance With Doves, by A.P. Indy. MSW, 10-29, Woodbine
- Street Sense**, Otto the Conqueror, c, 2, o/o Dream It Is, by Shackelford. AOC, 10-29, Churchill Downs
- Take Charge Indy**, El Grande O, c, 2, o/o Rainbow's Song, by Unbridled's Song. Sleepy Hollow S., 10-29, Belmont The Big A
- Too Much Bling**, Dust Em, g, 5, o/o Dixie Dust, by Dixieland Heat. ALW, 10-28, Remington
- West Coast**, West Sunset, f, 2, o/o Vindicated Ghost, by Vindication. Rags to Riches S., 10-29, Churchill Downs



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The dual Group 1 winner **Shaquille (GB)** (Charm Spirit {Ire}) is the first stallion to retire to Steve Parkin's Dullingham Park near Newmarket.

The top-rated sprinter in Europe this year, Shaquille was trained by Julie Camacho to win the Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot before defeating his elders in the July Cup at Newmarket.

The 3-year-old was co-bred by his owner Martin Hughes, who paid tribute to the retiring star, saying, "It was an honour to be associated with such a brilliant horse. To breed him and to race him in my colours, and then to see him develop into a superstar on the track was thrilling. Both of his Group 1 wins were spectacular. I now look forward to partnering with Dullingham Park in his future career as a stallion."

Shaquille is out of the Galileo (Ire) mare Magic (Ire), herself a daughter of Cheveley Park Stud's multiple group-winning sprinter Danehurst (GB) (Danehill). He won seven of his nine career starts, including scoring twice at York as a juvenile and landing the Listed Carnarvon S. at Newbury before his twin Group 1 successes. [Cont. p3](#)

## EMPHATIC ROYAL-OAK WIN FOR DOUBLE MAJOR by Tom Frary

There was a chance beforehand that the Wertheimers' 3-year-old **Double Major (Ire)** (Daiwa Major {Jpn}--Dancequest {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}) had an edge over his elders in Sunday's G1 Prix Royal-Oak at ParisLongchamp, but few would have imagined how great his advantage was as he outclassed them with a vintage display.

Always happy at the head of affairs under Maxime Guyon, the Christophe Ferland-trained homebred started to draw clear from the top of the straight and despite wandering around in the clear was so far in front inside the last 100 metres that he was able to be eased for a 7 1/2-length success. **Skazino (Fr)** (Kendargent {Fr}) was next best behind the 100-30 favourite, with **Tashkhan (Ire)** (Born To Sea {Ire}) 3/4 of a length away in third. [Cont. p3](#)

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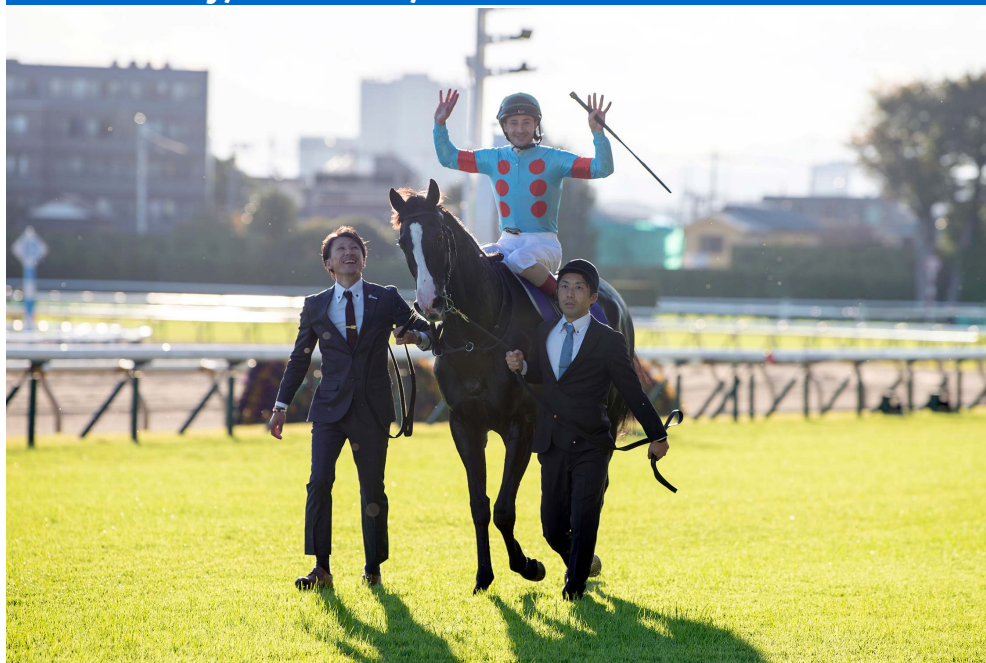
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**Christophe Lemaire celebrates the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) victory of Equinox (Jpn) (Kitsan Black {Jpn}) at Tokyo on Sunday. It was the colt's fifth Group 1 victory in a row. Cont. p14 | Horsephotos**

**LORDANO DOMINANT IN G3 SILBERNES PFERD 5**

*Gestut Ittlingen's hombred son of Adlerflug (Ger) added to his win tally to capture Sunday's Hoppegarten feature by four lengths.*

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*Rubies Are Red (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), who is out of MG1SW Red Evie (Ire) and a full-sister to Arc winner Found (Ire), debuts at Galway on Monday.*

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**Shaquille Cont. from p1**

Steve Parkin, who outlined his plans for Dullingham Park Stud in a [TDN interview](#) last month, said, "We are delighted to have been able to secure a horse of Shaquille's ability and potential to stand at our new stallion farm. Julie, Steve and their team have done a terrific job with his racing career and I know that our team will be working hard to ensure that Shaquille is equally successful in his new career as a stallion."

Ollie Fowlston, who was appointed earlier this year to manage Dullingham Park Stud, added, "It is a tribute to the commitment Steve Parkin has shown to the British breeding industry in establishing a new stallion operation on an historic stud that we are able to introduce a stallion of Shaquille's calibre. In addition to his obvious speed and ability, he is a tremendously good-looking horse with a wonderful temperament. We can't wait to show him to breeders from around the world during the Tattersalls December Sales."

Shaquille's trainer Julie Camacho and her husband and assistant trainer Steve Brown said, "Shaquille has taken us to the very highest level and given us some of the most exciting days of our racing lives. We thank Martin for entrusting him to us, and we wish the team at Dullingham Park Stud the best of luck for his stallion career. We look forward to training some of his

progeny in years to come."

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**G1 Prix Royal-Oak Cont. from p1**

"We are very happy and the big question was the ground, because he has never run on that kind of surface," the owner-breeders' racing manager Pierre-Yves Bureau said of the gelding, who had warmed up for this by winning the track's G2 Prix Chaudenay on Arc weekend. "We knew the horse had that quality, but he was the only three-year-old facing older horses who have much more experience than him, so what he did was very nice and we are very happy. He is a gelding, so hopefully he can travel as well but we are going to enjoy what happened today because it was a really nice performance."

On a weekend when Japanese breeding and racing was proving unequivocally at the forefront internationally, this was the icing on the cake. Improving with every move up in trip, Double Major was making marked progression from his second in this track's G3 Prix Gerald de Geoffre in August when upstaging Moyglare Stud's equally exciting 3-year-old Harbour Wind (Ire) (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the Chaudenay. This race has been known as the "French St Leger" and with that in mind Double Major's win represents a double for sons of Sunday Silence, as Heart's Cry's Continuous (Jpn) had taken the season's St Leger at Doncaster. [Cont. p4](#)

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**Pedigree Notes**

Double Major’s listed-placed dam Dancequest is also responsible for the G3 Prix de Guiche winner and G2 Prix Guillaume d’Ornano and G2 Prix Eugene Adam-placed Flop Shot (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), as well as the listed-placed Veritas (Ire) (Camelot {GB}). She is kin to the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud heroine Plumania (GB) (Anabaa) and the G2 Prix de Royallieu scorer Balladeuse (Fr) (Singspiel {Ire}), who each proved leading producers for the operation. Balladeuse was responsible for the G1 Prix Vermeille winner Left Hand (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and this year’s TDN Rising Star Aventure (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) who was runner-up in the recent G3 Prix des Reservoirs, while Plumania’s quartet of black-type performers are headed by the G2 Prix du Muguet scorer Plumatic (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) and she is also the second dam of the G1 Prix Saint Alary-placed Solsticia (Ire) (Le Havre {Ire}).

Others to feature in this illustrious dynasty are the G1 Poule d’Essai des Poulains-winning sire Falco, the G1 Prix Lupin hero and leading sire Groom Dancer, fellow sires Slew The Slew and Tagel and the G1 Prix Vermeille-winning champion Indian Rose

(Fr), the G1 Prix Ganay hero Vert Amante (Fr) and the G1 Grand Prix de Paris victor Le Nain Jaune (Fr). There is also a Japanese champion sprinter and miler in Kinshasa No Kiseki (Aus) (Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}). Dancequest’s unraced 2-year-old filly by Lope De Vega (Ire) is named Tyra (GB), while she also has a yearling filly by Dubawi (Ire) named Rooba (Ire) and a colt foal also by Lope De Vega named Vegetarien (Ire).

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**Sunday, ParisLongchamp, France**

**PRIX ROYAL-OAK-G1**, €350,000, ParisLongchamp, 10-29, 3yo/up, 15 1/2ft, 3:35.89, hy.

1--**DOUBLE MAJOR (IRE)**, 128, g, 3, by Daiwa Major (Jpn)  
 1st Dam: Dancequest (Ire) (SP-Fr), by Dansili (GB)  
 2nd Dam: Featherquest (GB), by Rainbow Quest  
 3rd Dam: Featherhill (Fr), by Lyphard

**1ST GROUP 1 WIN.** O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (IRE); T-Christophe Ferland; J-Maxime Guyon. €199,990. Lifetime Record: 9-4-4-0, €385,690. \*1/2 to Flop Shot (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}), GSW-Fr, \$264,611; & to Veritas (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), SP-Fr. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free EquineLine.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

2--**Skazino (Fr)**, 130, g, 7, Kendargent (Fr)--Skallet (Fr), by Muhaymin. (€22,000 Ylg ‘17 ARQOCT; €150,000 RNA HRA ‘19 ARQARC). O-Gousserie Racing; B-Guy Pariente Holding (FR); T-Patrice Cottier. €80,010.

3--**Tashkhan (Ire)**, 130, g, 5, Born To Sea (Ire)--Tarziyna (Ire), by Raven’s Pass. (€11,000 2yo ‘20 GOFAUT). O-Mr P Boyle; B-His Highness the Aga Khan’s Studs SC (IRE); T-Brian Ellison. €40,005.

Margins: 7HF, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 3.30, 11.00, 5.70.

Also Ran: Al Nayyir (GB), Diva Donna (Fr), Galego Star (Fr), Metier (Ire), Novel Legend (Ire), Bubble Gift (Fr), Haya Zark (Fr), The Good Man (Fr).

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## LORDANO MOPS UP ANOTHER GERMAN MARATHON *by Sean Cronin*

Gestut Ittlingen’s ultra-consistent **Lordano (Ger)** (Adlerflug {Ger}--Labrice {GB}, by Dubawi {Ire}), fresh off a comfortable success in last month’s G3 Deutsches St Leger at Dortmund, continued his domination of German marathons with another wide-margin triumph in a testing renewal of Sunday’s G3 Silbernes Pferd at Hoppegarten.

The 1-2 chalk hacked past the judge first time in a handy third and remained there for most of this 15-furlong test. Slipping to fourth on the home turn, he made relentless headway in the straight to surge beyond long-time leader **Crystal Estrella (GB)** (Iffraaj {GB}) approaching the final furlong and drew off late to defeat that former Sir Michael Stoute trainee by four lengths. Familiar foe **Lion’s Head (Ger)**

(Protectionist {Ger}), second to Lordano in August’s Listed Baden-Badener Steher Cup and fifth when the duo crossed swords in the Deutsches St Leger, fared best of the remainder and finished seven lengths adrift in third.

“He was the stand-out in this company, but the ground was really tough going and hard work,” admitted jockey Andrasch Starke. “He responded well and this victory was really good, very good for the horse, to be quite honest. He only does what is necessary, but has kept on improving and developed into a really top-class stayer. I am sure he will be able to compete well abroad, especially in these staying events.”

Trainer Marcel Weiss added, “He will now have his break for the winter and, next year, we will surely map out an international route for him. I am sure we will not be disgraced.”



Lordano earlier in his career | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingphotos.com)

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### Pedigree Notes

Lordano is one of 20 pattern-race winners for his sire and one of two produced by G3 Hamburger Stutenpreis second Labrice (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), herself kin to G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club heroine Lovelyn (Ger) (Tiger Hill {Ire}) and Listed Junioren-Preis runner-up Larella (Ger) (Anabaa). The April-foaled chestnut is a full-brother to G2 Oleander-Rennen and GII Belmont Gold Cup victor Loft (Ger). He is also kin to the unraced 2-year-old colt Louvre (Ger) (Lord Of England {Ger}) and a yearling filly by Lord Of England (Ger).

His second dam Laurella (GB) (Acatenango {Ger}) is a full-sister to MG1SW G1 Deutsches Derby hero and champion Lando (Ger) as well being a half-sister to G1 Deutsches Derby-winning sire Laroche (Ger) (Nebos {Ger}) and G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third La Donna (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}). La Donna, in turn, is the second dam of G1 Deutsches Derby hero Laccario (Ger) (Scalo {GB}) while La Donna's full-sister Laurencia (GB) produced GSW G1 United Nations H. runner-up Lauro (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) and G3 Preis der Winterkonigin victrix Love Academy (Ger) (Medicean {GB}). Love Academy is the dam of G2 Diana-Trial winner and G1 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) third Longina (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}).

### Sunday, Hoppegarten, Germany

**SILBERNES PFERD-G3**, €55,000, Hoppgarten, 10-29, 3yo/up, 15ft, 3:30.44, sf/hy.

1--**LORDANO (GER)**, 130, g, 4, by Adlerflug (Ger)

1st Dam: Labrice (GB) (GSP-Ger), by Dubawi (Ire)

2nd Dam: Laurella (GB), by Acatenango (Ger)

3rd Dam: Laurea (Ire), by Sharpman (Ire)

O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen (GER); T-Marcel Weiss; J-Andrasch Starke. €32,000. Lifetime Record: 8-6-1-0, €105,575. \*Full to Loft (Ger), GSW-Ger & US, SP-Eng, \$344,391. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

2--**Crystal Estrella (GB)**, 122, f, 4, Iffraaj (GB)--Crystal Etoile (GB), by Dansili (GB). **1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.**

(275,000gns HRA '22 TATJUL). O-Team Valor; B-Southcourt Stud (GB)-T-Andreas Wohler. €12,000.

3--**Lion's Head (Ger)**, 126, c, 4, Protectionist (Ger)--La Bahia (Ger), by Black Sam Bellamy (Ire). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.**

O-Stall Mandarin; B-Dr Ingrid Hornig (GER); T-Yasmin Almenrader. €6,000.

Margins: 4, 7, 3. Odds: 0.50, 11.10, 14.40.

Also Ran: Nacido (Ger), Waldadler (Ger), Nastaria (GB), Hipop De Loire (Fr), Lady Labelle (Ire), Vancouver (Ger). **VIDEO.**



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**Sunday, Capannelle, Italy**

**PREMIO LYDIA TESIO - TROFEO EL KABEIR - TRIS-G2**, €300,300, Capannelle, 10-29, 3yo/up, f/m, 2000mT, 2:03.70, sf.

1--**LA GITE (GB)**, 123, f, 3, by **Sioux Nation**

1st Dam: **Andrina (Ire)**, by **Tertullian**

2nd Dam: **Algoma (Ger)**, by **Monsun (Ger)**

3rd Dam: **Arionella (GB)**, by **Bluebird**

**1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN.** (€24,000 HRA '22 ARQNOV). O-Luigi Ginobbi SRLS. B-Manfred Wurtenberger (GB). T-Paolo Aragoni. J-Carlo Fiocchi. €116,025. Lifetime Record: 14-5-2-1, €172,330. **Werk Nick Rating: C+**. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

2--**Norge (Ire)**, 127, m, 5, Dylan Thomas (Ire)--Nazbanou (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire). (€90,000 RNA HRA '22 ARQDEC). O-Cayton Park Stud, Ltd. B-Juergen & Ursula Imm GbR (Ire). T-Ralf Rohne. €51,051.

3--**Calmly (GB)**, 123, f, 3, Dubawi (Ire)--Shama (Ire), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.** O-Team Valor. B-The Queen (GB). T-Jerome Reynier. €27,846.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, NK. Odds. 21.95, 2.83, 2.04.

Also Ran: Sadlsuud (Ire), River Spirit (Ity), Lacrima d'Amore (Ity), Valpolicella (Ger), Taany (Ire), Estrosa (Ire), Sa Filonzana (Ire), Palatina (Ger), Terry De l'Alguer (Ire). **VIDEO.**

The G2 Premio Lydia Tesio - Trofeo El Kabeir - Tris marked the

first stakes victory and group win for La Gite. She is the 13th stakes winners and 10th group winner for her Coolmore sire.

Fresh off a 2000-metre victory locally in September, the 21-1 shot sat far back early, before forging to the front with a strong turn of foot in the stretch. Norge made a race of it, but La Gite had just enough left to hang on for the victory.

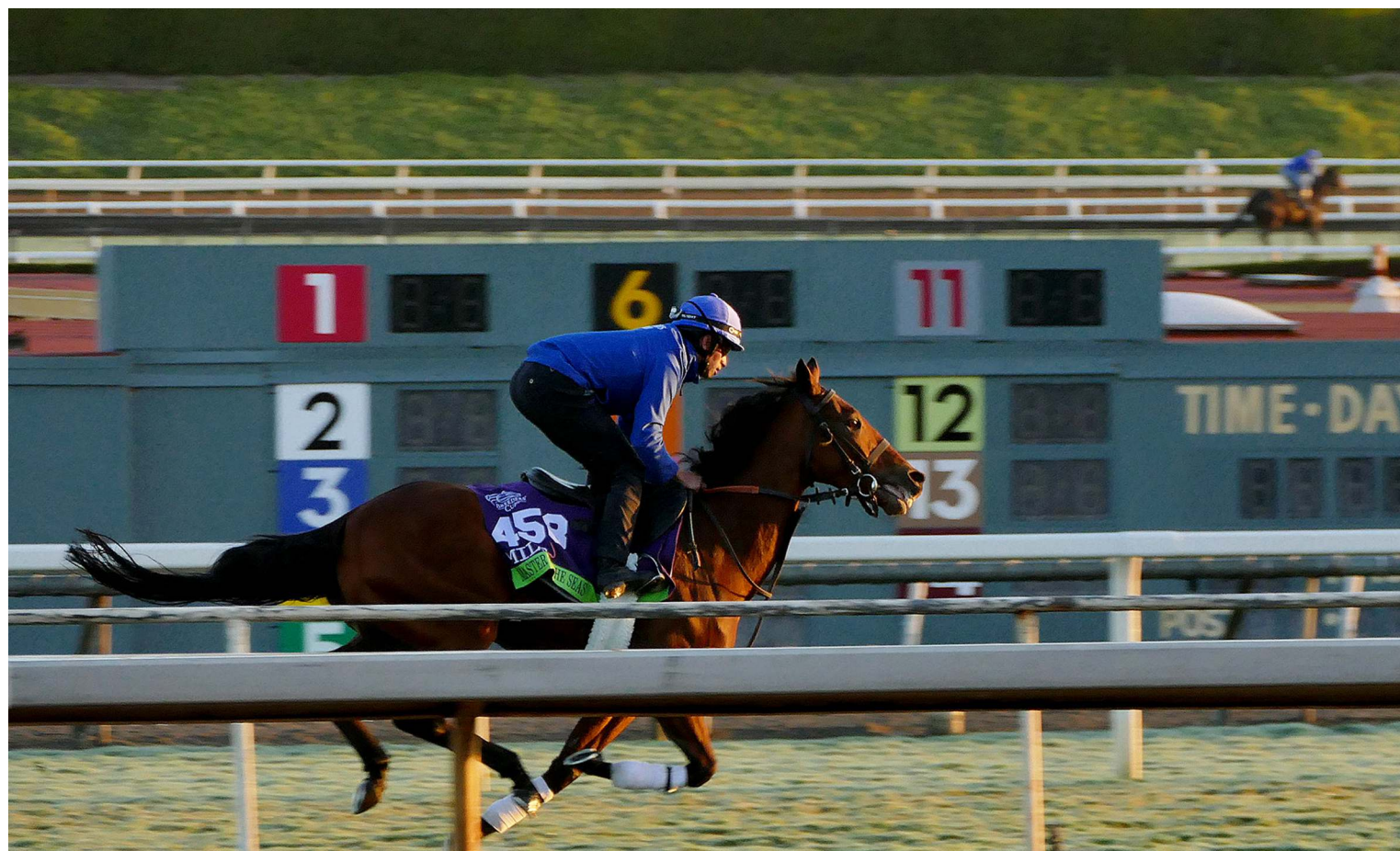
**Pedigree Notes**

After foaling La Gite, the winning Andrina has a 2-year-old filly, Aster (Ger) (Outstrip {GB}), who has yet to race. La Gite is kin to the stakes winners She's Complete (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}) and Loutka (Fr) (Tremolino), as well as Allegretta (GB) (Lombard {Ger}), the dam of Arc winner and influential broodmare Urban Sea (Miswaki).

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Master Of The Seas enjoys a spin over the Santa Anita turf course on Sunday | Emma Berry



## THE WORLD NOW WATCHES THE RACE THAT STOPS A NATION *By John Berry*

It is very clear how important the Melbourne Cup is within Australia. Observers at Tattersalls last week were left in no doubt of that. A large proportion of the most expensive lots were bought to head Down Under, with the Melbourne Cup repeatedly mentioned as the ultimate target. It is now, though, a major race both within Australasia and internationally, its global appeal having increased dramatically 30 years ago in the 3 minutes 23.43 seconds which it took Vintage Crop (Ire) to take the prize on the first Tuesday in November 1993.

That triumphant breakthrough represented the moment when the Cup became a truly global event, but it had been a major landmark both domestically and internationally since the 19th century. The respect which the two words 'Melbourne Cup' generated in the Victorian era was shown by the purchase in 1895 of Carbine (NZ), the highlight of whose 33 wins had been when he had won the Cup in 1890, carrying 10 stone 5lb and giving 53lb to the runner-up. By 1895 Carbine had made a promising start to his stud career and his fame was enough to persuade the Duke of Portland to recruit him, at a price of 13,000 guineas, to stand in England alongside reigning champion sire St. Simon (GB) at Welbeck Abbey Stud in Nottinghamshire. He was a great success there, most notably spawning a three-generation sequence of Derby winners, starting with his son Spearmint (GB) in 1906.

A second Melbourne Cup winner followed hot on Carbine's heels when the 1896 winner Newhaven (Aus) headed north after that season's Sydney Autumn Carnival. His part-owner Mr Cooper had bought a seat on the London Stock Exchange so he arranged that Newhaven would come to England with him.

The highlight of Newhaven's career in England came when he won the City And Suburban H. at Epsom in 1899, reportedly



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winning connections £50,000 in bets. Unfortunately, though, he could not follow Carbine into the ranks of British-based stallions as he was not accepted into the (British) General Stud Book because of doubts supposedly held about the identity of his fourth dam. Consequently, he had to return to Australia to begin his stud career.

Remarkably, Newhaven was not the greatest Australian horse racing in England during the final years of the 19th century. That honour was held by Merman (Aus). Having ended the Spring Carnival in Melbourne in 1896 by winning the Williamstown Cup, Merman was brought to England, where he was bought by the famous actress Lillie Langtry for 1,600 guineas.

Merman became a remarkable trouper in his adopted homeland, ensuring that Australian stayers would be revered worldwide for decades. The highlight of his three wins in his first season in England, 1897, came when he won the Cesarewitch H. at Newmarket. At the same meeting the following season he won the Jockey Club Cup, having run well in the Cambridgeshire H. the previous day and in the Cesarewitch H. the day before that. His toughness and class were also in evidence at Glorious Goodwood the following summer, when he won both the Goodwood Plate and the Goodwood Cup. Age and exertion did not weary him because it turned out that he was saving the best 'til last: in 1900, aged eight, he won the greatest staying prize of them all, the Gold Cup at Ascot.

One race which particularly illustrated the strength in depth of Australian horses racing in England at the time was the Epsom Gold Cup (now G1 Coronation Cup) at the Derby Meeting in 1898 when Merman was one of three antipodean imports in the field, alongside Newhaven and the 1896 VRC Newmarket H. winner Maluma (Aus). Furthermore, when Merman contested the Cambridgeshire that autumn, he finished behind the imported winner Georgic (Aus), previously successful in the AJC All-Aged S. at Randwick in 1895. **Cont. p9**



### Two-Way Traffic for Top Stayers

It was not all one-way traffic, of course. The Australian Stud Book was built on imports, with such horses differentiated from the colonial-breds by an asterisk printed alongside their names. It was the norm for the Melbourne Cup to be won by a horse with at least one imported parent, but the first winner of the race bred in Europe was Comedy King (GB) (Persimmon {GB}), successful in 1910.

Leading Melbourne-based bookmaker Sol Green had gone to England on holiday in 1906 and bought some horses there. One was the Gallinule mare Tragedy Queen (GB), purchased from the Royal Studs, in foal Persimmon. Green left the mare in England but once the resultant foal, Comedy King, had been weaned he was exported to Australia (forging a path subsequently trodden by the Somerset-born three-time

Melbourne Cup heroine Makybe Diva).

Just as Comedy King took Makybe Diva's route to Melbourne Cup glory nearly a century before the great mare won her three Cups, so did the 1924 winner Backwood (GB) foreshadow the legion of Australian owners, trainers and agents who nowadays shop at Tattersalls with future Melbourne Cups in mind. A dual winner at a mile and a half in England, Backwood was bought by Australian owners E. L. Baillieu and W. Clark for 2,500 guineas in the hope that he would win the Cup in 1923. He disappointed badly that year and won 12 months later, trained at Flemington by Richard Bradfield.

Hopes were high during the war that the Royal Studs would yield another Melbourne Cup winner, following Comedy King. After

three unplaced runs in England for King George VI, the Hyperion horse Helios (GB) was sold to race in Australia. **Cont. p10**



Red Cadeaux, with Robin Trevor Jones and rider Steven Nicholson, was second in three Cups | Emma Berry



In the buildup to the Breeders' Cup, a horse trains at Santa Anita on Sunday morning. | Emma Berry

### The Internationalisation Of The Melbourne Cup Cont.

He was shaping up nicely until misadventure struck: he injured himself by over-reaching when pulling up from a track gallop at Flemington, fracturing his near-fore pastern, and had to be retired. The story had a happy ending though, as he became champion sire in 1948/'49 and overall sired the winners of over 1,000 races, with one of his best sons being the 1954 Melbourne Cup winner Wodalla (Aus).

The Melbourne Cup naturally began to feature on the international radar more and more as time passed. By the 1980s, improved air-travel and improved communications were making the world a smaller place.

### Sangster Backs the Cup

Robert Sangster's love for Australia meant that the Melbourne Cup came to join the Derby on his list of most coveted prizes. One of the first horses

transferred by him from England to Colin Hayes in South Australia was Beldale Ball, whom he had bought out of Michael Jarvis's Newmarket stable in 1979. Beldale Ball thrived under Hayes's care to the extent that he recorded a glorious triumph in the Melbourne Cup in 1980.

Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum too began to focus on Australian racing, the flames of his enthusiasm fanned by the passion of his manager Angus Gold. At Talaq (Roberto) had carried the Shadwell silks into fourth place in the Derby in 1984 at 250/1 when trained in Newmarket by Harry Thomson Jones; two years later, prepared by Colin Hayes, he won the Melbourne Cup. (The same team would win a second Melbourne Cup in 1994 with Jeune (GB), a Royal Ascot winner bought out of Geoff Wragg's stable specifically to try to win the great race).

Within Australia, Lloyd Williams's Melbourne Cup ambitions were continuing to grow. Prominent in the syndicates which raced the Tommy Smith-trained 1981 Cup winner Just A Dash (Aus) and the John Meagher-trained 1985 Cup winner What A Nuisance (NZ), Williams learned the lessons provided by Beldale Ball and At Talaq. Another horse who caught his attention was Natski (Ire), a maiden race winner at Redcar for Luca Cumani in 1987 who, sold to Australia, was trained by Jack Denham to fail by only inches behind Empire Rose (NZ) in the Melbourne Cup the following year. Also in the field that day was Authaal (Ire),

trained by Colin Hayes for Sheikh Mohammed. The son of Shergar had previously won the G1 Irish St Leger in 1986 when trained by David O'Brien.

Williams sent John Meagher, accompanied by Pat Carey, to England to find some suitable prospects and they nearly hit the jackpot straightaway when they selected the Aga Khan's Naiyrizi (Ire), bought out of Luca Cumani's stable after winning at Ascot, Windsor and Doncaster in 1988. During the Melbourne Spring Carnival in 1989 Nayrizi won the VATC Herbert Power H. before finishing a close second to Cole Diesel (Aus) in the VATC Caulfield Cup a week later. Williams has, of course, bought many European horses since then and during the current century has won four Cups with European-bred horses, trained either in Australia or Ireland.

### Ireland's Breakthrough

The momentum of interest and competition building, it was only a matter of time before European-trained horses began to contest the Cup. The breakthrough of British-trained horses running in Australasia had come in the late '80s when the G1 Tancred S. in Sydney and the G1 Air New Zealand S. in New Zealand were being promoted as international races. England's two most pioneering trainers, John Dunlop and Clive Brittain, rose to the challenge. The Melbourne Cup had to come next, particularly as it was sponsored by Carlton & United



Lloyd and Nick Williams with Joseph O'Brien at Flemington after Rekindling's win | Emma Berry

Brewery, which had recently broken into the European market in a major way with the booming worldwide popularity of Foster's Lager. That is exactly what came to pass thirty years ago, on the first Tuesday of November 1993.

Two European trainers each sent a horse to Flemington in 1993. From England, Lord Huntingdon (who had trained at Warwick Farm in Sydney for a couple of years in the late '70s) sent the Ascot Gold Cup winner Drum Taps, the mount of Frankie Dettori. From Ireland, Dermot Weld sent the previous year's Cesarewitch H. winner Vintage Crop, ridden by Mick Kinane. This bold challenge was meat and drink for Weld, who had already become the first European trainer to saddle the winner of a US Triple Crown race (Go And Go (Ire) in the 1990 Belmont S.) and the first to win a race at the Hong Kong International Meeting (Additional Risk (Ire) in the 1991 HK Bowl). [Cont. p11](#)



### The Internationalisation Of The Melbourne Cup Cont.

Drum Taps, ridden by Frankie Dettori, found it hard under top weight of 58.5kg, finishing ninth. But Vintage Crop, carrying 3kg less and feeling at home in the rain which lashed Flemington that afternoon, was sublime. Bearing the colours of Dr Michael Smurfit, Vintage Crop came home three lengths in front of Te Akau Nick (NZ), who had recently become the first Group 1 winner trained by Gai Waterhouse by winning the G1 AJC Metropolitan H. at Randwick. As Mick Kinane brought Vintage Crop back to scale, an emotional Weld delighted the local press corps by reciting lines from A. B. 'Banjo' Paterson's 'A Bush Christening' in the winner's enclosure. It was a very special way for the international racing landscape to be changed forever.

### European Success Grows



Protectionist, the sole German-trained winner of the Melbourne Cup  
*Emma Berry*

Since then, raiders from Europe for the Melbourne Cup have become the norm. The first leg of Melbourne's 'Cups Double' has also become a regular target, with Europe's breakthrough in that race coming in 1998 when Ray Cochrane brought the Lady Herries-trained Taufan's Melody (Ire) home in front.

Weld and Dr Smurfit won the Melbourne Cup again in 2002 with Media Puzzle. Since then, four other countries have claimed the prize. Japan won it in 2006 with the Katsuhiko Sumii-trained Delta Blues (Jpn). Alain de Royer-Dupre and Mikel Delzangles won it for France in 2010 and '11, courtesy of Americain and Dunaden (Fr). German trainer Andreas Wohler supplied the hero in 2014, Protectionist (Ger). Godolphin won in 2018 with Cross Counter (GB), trained in England by Charlie Appleby. Furthermore, Weld's feat of supplying two winners has been matched by his compatriot Joseph O'Brien, courtesy of Rekindling (Ire) and Twilight Payment (Ire) in 2017 and 2020 respectively, both horses owned by Lloyd Williams.

Any overview of European achievers in the Melbourne Cup wouldn't be complete without mentioning Luca Cumani in dispatches, thanks to a run of narrow defeats, none closer than the pixel or two by which Bauer (GB) was edged out by the Bart Cummings-trained Viewed (Aus) in 2008. Another Newmarket-based trainer to have played a chief supporting role has been Ed Dunlop, whose ultra-genuine charge Red Cadeaux (GB) wrote his name into Cup history as the only horse to finish second in the race three times (in 2011, '13 and '14).

Nowadays, Australian owners and trainers seem intent on buying nearly all of the most likely European Cup prospects. Many were in action at Tattersalls last week and the recent domination of major Australian staying races by European-breds does not seem likely to end any time soon.

The internationalisation of the Melbourne Cup has been a gradual process with many heroes playing their part. Comedy King and Backwood both made special contributions, but none stand taller than Vintage Crop, Dermot Weld, Mick Kinane and Dr Smurfit. The significance of their breakthrough triumph 30 years ago will live forever as the day on which 'the race which stops a nation' became a race which the world watches.

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## FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Monday, Oct. 30, 2023

### UNITED KINGDOM

**Blue Point (Ire)** (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud

161 foals of racing age

18:30-NEWCASTLE, 5f, Blue Storm (GB)

£75,000 Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

**Inns of Court (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud

168 foals of racing age

16:50-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Old Bailey (Ire)

€35,000 Goffs February Sale 2022; 35,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

**Invincible Army (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud

95 foals of racing age

18:30-NEWCASTLE, 5f, Callianassa (Ire)

€23,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; £14,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier & Silver Yearlings 2022

16:50-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Swift Storm (Ire)

€85,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; 100,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2022



Land Force | Highclere Stud

**The Irish Rover (Ire) (No Nay Never)**, Sweep Lane Stud

8 foals of racing age  
 18:30-NEWCASTLE, 5f, Curious Rover (Ire)  
 €3,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2022

**Magna Grecia (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Coolmore Stud

109 foals of racing age  
 16:50-NEWCASTLE, 7f, Polyphema (Ire)  
 €42,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021

**Masar (Ire)** (New Approach {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

104 foals of racing age  
 18:00-NEWCASTLE, 8f, Amasar (GB)  
 9,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2022

**Phoenix of Spain (Ire)** (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Irish National Stud

97 foals of racing age  
 17:25-NEWCASTLE, 8f, Cheshire Dancer (Ire)  
 €36,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022

**Soldier's Call (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}), Ballyhane Stud

121 foals of racing age  
 18:30-NEWCASTLE, 5f, Tangled Up In Blue (Ire)  
 €15,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2021; 17,000gns Tattersalls  
 October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2022

**Too Darn Hot (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

120 foals of racing age  
 18:00-NEWCASTLE, 8f, Trafalgar Square (Ire)  
 600,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2022

**FRANCE:**

**Too Darn Hot (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

120 foals of racing age  
 1-SAINT-CLOUD, 1500m, Miligan (GB)

**IRELAND**

Land Force (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), Highclere Stud

117 foals of racing age  
 3-GALWAY, 7f, Maria Land (Ire)  
 €17,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2022; €35,000  
 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze Up 2023

**Le Brivido (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr})**, Haras de la Haie Neuve

39 foals of racing age  
 1-GALWAY, 8.25f, Animous (GB)  
 10,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2021; €10,000 Goffs  
 Autumn Yearling Sale 2022

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**FOUND'S SISTER STARTS AT GALWAY**

**12.30 Galway, Mdn, €16,000, 2yo, f, 8f 73yT**

**RUBIES ARE RED (IRE) (Galileo {Ire})** is the 10th foal out of the G1 Matron S. and G1 Lockinge S. heroine Red Evie (Ire) (Intikhab) and a full-sister to the outstanding Arc winner Found (Ire) and to the dam of the stunning Oaks heroine Snowfall (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}). She is one of a trio from Ballydoyle, including her relative **Iseult Of Ireland (American Pharoah)**, a Westerberg-bred fellow newcomer who is a granddaughter of Red Evie.

**12.35 Saint-Cloud, Debutantes, €50,000, 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2fT**

**ROADSHOW (IRE) (Galileo {Ire})**, who represents the Smith/Tabor/Magnier combination and the Andre Fabre stable, is a son of the brilliant G2 Queen Mary S. winner and G1 Nunthorpe S. runner-up Acapulco (Scat Daddy). Among his rivals is the Wertheimers' **Yoox (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire})**, a Carlos Laffon-Parias-trained grandson of their Arc heroine Solemia (Ire) (Poliglote {GB}).

**1.05 Saint-Cloud, Debutantes, €50,000, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT**

**NATIVE PEARL (GB) (Siyouni {Fr})** debuts for Al Shira'aa Farms and the Carlos Laffon-Parias stable and is a €550,000 Arqana Deauville August graduate who is a half-sister to the G1 Vincent O'Brien National S. and G1 Dewhurst S.-winning juvenile champion Native Trail (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**). Also in the line-up is **Miz Vega (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire})**, a Nicolas Clement-trained daughter of the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint heroine Mizdirection (Mizzen Mast), and George Strawbridge's **With Stars (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire})**, a Victoria Head-trained daughter of the G1 Prix Rothschild heroine With You (GB) (Dansili {GB}).

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## FRANCE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**1st-Parislongchamp**, €26,000, 10-29, 4yo/up, 1850mT, 2:03.80, hy.

**TITANIUM (FR) (g, 4, Zarak {Fr}--Kyurem {Ire} {SP-Fr}, by Verglas {Ire})** Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 14-5-3-2, €114,720.

O-Ecurie 4L, Comte Guillaume de Saint-Seine, Alessandro Botti, Giuseppe Botti, Ecurie Vitale, Scuderia Visconti di Modrone & Giovanni Neri; B-Haras de la Perelle (FR); T-Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti. \*€50,000 Ylg '20 ARQSEP.

## GERMANY

**Sunday's Result:**

**1st-Hoppegarten**, €10,000, Mdn, 10-29, 2yo, 8fT, 1:51.19, sf/hy.

**CHERRY BRANDY (GER) (c, 2, Amaron {GB}--Chalcot {Ire}, by High Chaparral {Ire})** lobbed along in a share of third through halfway in this debut. Coming under pressure off the home turn, the 57-10 chance engaged Nina's Emperor (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**) passing the quarter-mile marker and, having subdued that rival, was pushed out to easily hold the late threat of True And Quick (Ger) (Best Solution {Ire}) by 1 1/2 lengths.

Cherry Brandy is the second of two reported foals and first scorer produced by a multiple-winning half-sister to stakes-winning G2 Park S. runner-up Never No More (Ire) (**No Nay Never**). The February-foaled bay's second dam Law Of The Jungle (Ire) (Catcher In The Rye ({Ire}) is a half-sister to G3 Athasi S. and G3 Concorde S. victrix Eastern Appeal (Ire) (Shinko Forest {Ire}) and to the dam of stakes-winning G3 Prix de Royaumont runner-up La Hernanda (Ire) (Hernando {Fr}). Cherry Brandy hails from the family of four-time Grade I winner Winchester (Theatrical {Ire}) and G1 Derby-winning sire Erhaab (Chief's Crown). Sales history: €13,000 RNA Ylg '22 BBAGO. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €6,000.

O-Karin Brieskorn; B-Bianka Schmake (GER); T-Stefan Richter.

## SWEDEN

**Sunday's Result:**

**SONGLINE CLASSIC-Listed**, SKr330,000, Bro Park, 10-29, 3yo/up, 10 1/2f, 2:12.40, gd.

1--**SENESCHAL (SWE)**, 130, g, 6, Appel Au Maitre (Fr)--Silmaris

**(GB), by Slickly (Fr). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** O/B-Stall Eos (SWE); T-Wido Neuroth; J-Jan-Erik Neuroth. SKr165,000. Lifetime Record: 31-7-7-3, SKr1,671,134.

2--**Hard One To Please (Ire)**, 130, g, 4, Fast Company (Ire)--Alyssum (Ire), by New Approach (Ire). (£8,000 Ylg '20 GOFSP; 80,000gns 2yo '21 TATGNS). O-Vasby Hast AB; B-Lodge Park Stud (IRE); T-Annikke Bye Hansen. SKr82,500.

3--**Espen Hill (Swe)**, 130, g, 7, Helsinki--Explosive Hill (Swe), by Inchrory (GB). O-BeWe Horseshoes AB; B-Katarina Jacobson (SWE); T-Madeleine Smith. SKr39,600.

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, 2HF. Odds: 12.43, 1.39, 1.97.

Also Ran: Stroxx Carlras (Ire), Plantstepsdream (Swe), Pjerrot.

## ITALY

**Sunday's Results:**

**PREMIO DIVINO AMORE - LIVERMORE-Listed**, €42,900, Rome, 10-29, 2yo, 1000mT, :56.70.

1--**AMOREVOLE (IRE)**, 121, f, 2, by Mehmas (Ire).

**1st Dam: Creme De Cremes (Fr), by Rio De La Plata**

**2nd Dam: Creme De Cuvee, by Cuvee**

**3rd Dam: Mary Linoa, by L'Emigrant**

(30,000gns Wlg '21 TATNOV). O-Incolinx. B-Con Marnane (Ire). T-Grizzetti Galoppo SRL. J-Dario Varigu. €16,575. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ity, 8-4-2-2, €80,775.

2--**Royal Grey (GB)**, 121, f, 2, Havana Grey (GB)--Infamous Angel (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). (£45,000 Ylg '22 GOF AUG). O-Scuderia Effe Emme. B-Glebe Farm Stud (GB). T-Endo Botti. €7,293.

3--**Tenjaku**, 121, c, 2, **Kantharos--Toscana**, by **Speightstown**.

**1ST BLACK TYPE.** (\$9,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT). O-Miami Ip. B-Paul Kessel (KY). T-Affe' Agostino. €3,978.

 **Purchased by Ital-Cal Horse Management, Inc.** 

Margins: NK, HF, 3/4. Odds: 2.81, 2.79, 15.61.

Also Ran: Portomatto (Ire), Breath Shadow (GB), Mister Salvo (Ire), Fame Of Grif (Ity), Ninco Nanco (Ire), Beauty Of Tuscany (Ire), Frughetto (GB), Vicuna (Ire).

Amorevole doubled her stakes tally with a gritty victory in the Listed Premio Divino Amore at Capannelle in Rome on Sunday. The filly withstood the stiff challenge of Royal Grey all the way to the line.

A winner of the Listed Premio Ubaldo Pandolfi in September, the filly was most recently third in the Listed Premio Eupili on Oct. 15. She had earned a group placed with a second in the G3 Premio Primi Passi in July. Her dam has a yearling colt by Far Above (Ire) and a weanling filly by Bungle Inthejungle (GB). She is one of 24 stakes winners for her Tally-Ho Stud sire. [Cont. p14](#)

**Listed Premio Amour Divino**

The third dam, Mary Linoa, won the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac and was also the dam of the stakes winner Marrast (Fr) (Groom Dancer) and the granddam of G1 Tenno Sho Sprint hero Hiruno d'Amour (Jpn) (Manhattan Café {Jpn}). **VIDEO.**



**IN AUSTRALIA:**

**Maktoob (GB)**, g, 4, **Awtaad (Ire)**--Mudawanah (GB), by Dansili {GB}. Sale, 10-29, Listed Sale Cup, 1600mT, 1:35.74. B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd (GB). \*50,000gns HRA '21 TATOCT.

**IN ITALY:**

**Maliparmi (Ire)**, f, 3, **Ribchester (Ire)**--Marasil (Ire), by Azamour (Ire). Capannelle, 10-29, Listed Premio Buontalenta Mem Giuseppe Valiani, 1600mT, 1:37.50. O-Erika Gilliar. B-Leon Vaessen (Ire). T-Jerome Reynier. **VIDEO.** \*SP-Ger. **\*\*1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** \*\*\*€27,000 Wlg '20 GOFDEC; €40,000 Ylg '21 BBASEP.

**Westminster Night (Fr)**, g, 4, **Morandi (Fr)**--Fontaine Margot (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Ballingarry (Ire). Capannelle, 10-29, G3 Premio Ribot Memorial Loreto Luciani, 1600mT, 1:37.70. O-Westminster Race Horse Gmbh. B-4.0 Bloodstock Agency, Ltd. & Melchior Francois Mathet & Serge Mastey (Fr). T-Andreas Woehler. \*€14,000 Wlg '19 ARQDEC; €20,000 Ylg '20 ARQOCT. **\*\*GSP-Ger. \*\*\*1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. VIDEO.**

**Flag's Up (Ire)**, h, 5, **War Command**--Baby Revolution (Ire) (SW-Itly), by High Chaparral (Ire). Capannelle, 10-29, G2 Premio Roma Italian Champion, 2000mT, 2:01.00. O-Roberto Saggini. B-Razza del Velino (Ire). T-Stefano Botti. \*Hwt. 3yo-Itly at 9 1/2-11f. **\*\*1ST GROUP WIN.** \*\*\*1/2 to Trust In Me (Itly) (Desert Prince {Ire}), SP-Itly. **\*\*\*\*€12,000 Ylg '19 SGASEP. VIDEO.**



**EQUINOX OBLITERATES COURSE RECORD IN TENNO SHO** by Heather Anderson

There had been hints that reigning Japanese Horse of the Year **Equinox (Jpn)** (Kitasan Black {Jpn}) was not your average

champion, most especially with his geared-down tour-de-force in the desert in March, but the Silk Racing Company's colourbearer was in a zip code all his own with his course-record breaking performance in defence of his G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) title at Tokyo on Sunday. He covered the 2000-metre trip over a firm Tokyo course in 1:55.20, 0.9 seconds faster than the previous record.

Carrying a rating of 129 on the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings making him the world's highest-rated racehorse since demolishing a classy international field in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Meydan, the blaze-faced dark bay became only the third horse to win back-to-back Tenno Shos. Notable sire Symboli Kris S. (Jpn) (Kris S.) first accomplished that feat in 2002 and 2003, and he was followed by fellow Silk Racing representative and Japanese Horse of the Year Almond Eye (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) in 2019 and 2020.



Equinox | Japan Racing Association

He defeated the closing **Justin Palace (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}), a half-brother to GI Belmont winner and Grade I sire **Palace Malice (Curlin)** and a winner of the 3200-metre G1 Tenno Sho (Spring), by 2 1/2 lengths. It was another quarter-length back to **Prognosis (Jpn)** (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in third. The latter, a winner of the G2 Sapporo Kinen in the lead up to this contest, was second to Saturday's G1 Cox Plate victor and Hong Kong's leading middle-distance horse Romantic Warrior (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup in April.

Bet down to 30 cents on the dollar, Equinox jumped well and secured an ideal tracking position in third, as **Jack d'Or (Jpn)** (Maurice {Jpn}) set out hard on the steel while tracked by **Gaia Force (Jpn)** (Kitasan Black {Jpn}). The field was well spread out, with the frontrunner covering the first 800 metres in :46.30, 1000 metres in :57.70, and the 1200-metres in 1:09.10.





**Equinox, with Christophe Lemaire aboard, bow to the Emperor and Empress of Japan following the race | Horsephotos**

### G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) Cont.

It was, however, an unsustainable tempo, and Jack d’Or abruptly threw in the towel with a quarter mile to run after covering the 1600 metres in 1:32.10. Gaia Force briefly seized the advantage with a looming Equinox making his run three deep, but the grey had attended too closely to the hot pace and folded 100 metres later. Equinox steamed home with a pair of sub-12 second 200 metre splits, getting his final 400 metres in :23.10 to win as he pleased. Justin Palace made a brave run from well off the pace, but it was too little too late to catch the champ.

“First of all, I am relieved to have been able to show the world, which I know was watching how the race favorite would run, that he is indeed a deserving colt to be named the highest rated colt,” said regular rider Christophe Lemaire. “He’s not exactly what you call a horse with incredible speed but he was able to keep up with today’s rapid pace and get into another gear at the end—but I was actually surprised when I realized that we had won in a record.

“He is a versatile horse that can run from any position, stay calm during the race and make use of his speed at the finish. He can also run at longer distances such as when he won the Arima Kinen, so although there was much pressure coming into such a prestigious race as race favorite, I was confident knowing what he is capable of.”

A crowd of 77,870 attended the Tenno Sho, including the Japanese Emperor Naruhito and the Empress Masako.

Never worse than second in his nine lifetime starts, Equinox was unbeaten at two with his season-ending victory in the G2 Hai Nisai S. Second in the G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) and G1 Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) in his first two outings at three, he has yet to taste defeat since October of 2022. All five of his victories beginning with last October’s Tenno

Sho (Autumn) have occurred at Group 1 level. After taking the 2400-metre Arima Kinen (Grand Prix) in December, the Dubai Sheema Classic went his way this March. The Takarazuka Kinen was secured narrowly in June, his final start until Sunday’s stirring effort.

### Pedigree Notes

The Japanese Champion 3-Year-Old Colt of 2022, Equinox is one of seven stakes winners for his Shadai Stallion Station-based sire. Kitan Black, who was a dual Japanese Horse of the Year in 2016/2017 with seven career Group 1 wins including the 2017 Tenno Sho (Autumn), also has the G1 Satsuki Sho hero Sol Oriens (Jpn) to his credit and three other group winners.

Equinox, a half-brother to G3 Radio Nikkei Sho winner Weiss Meteor (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), is the third foal of his dam, the G3 Mermaid S. heroine Chateau Blanche (Jpn) (King Halo {Jpn}), who also raced for Silk Racing. She has a 3-year-old filly by Just A Way (Jpn), a juvenile filly named Garza Blanca (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}) and a full-sister to the winner born this year.

Out of the winning Blancherie (Jpn) (Tony Bin {Ire}), his dam is from the extended family of sires G3 Prix de la Jonchere winner Bellypha (Ire) (Lyphard), G1 Premio Ernesto Ayulo Pardo victor Run And Deliver (Danzig), and G2 Prix Eugene Adam hero Bellman (Fr) (Riverman).

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### Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

**TENNO SHO (AUTUMN)-G1**, ¥421,420,000, Tokyo, 10-29, 3yo/up, 2000mT, \*1:55.20 (NCR), fm.

1--**EQUINOX (JPN)**, 128, c, 4, by **Kitan Black (Jpn)**

**1st Dam: Chateau Blanche (Jpn) (GSW-Jpn, \$1,096,970), by King Halo (Jpn)**

**2nd Dam: Blancherie (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire)**

**3rd Dam: Maison Blanche (Jpn), by Alleged**

O-Silk Racing; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Tetsuya Kimura; J-Christophe Lemaire. ¥222,394,000. Lifetime Record: HotY-Jpn, Ch. 3yo Colt-Jpn, G1SW-UAE, 9-7-2-0, \$12,558,118. \*1/2 to Weiss Meteor (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), GSW-Jpn, \$820,531. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.** \*Triple Plus\*. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

2--**Justin Palace (Jpn)**, 128, c, 4, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Palace Rumor, by Royal Anthem. (¥190,000,000 Ylg '20 JRHAJUL). O-Masahiro Miki; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); ¥88,684,000.

3--**Prognosis (Jpn)**, 128, h, 5, Deep Impact (Jpn)--Velda (GB), by Observatory. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); ¥55,342,000.

Margins: 2HF, 1/4, HD. Odds: 0.30, 34.10, 10.40.

Also Ran: Danon Beluga (Jpn), Gaia Force (Jpn), Admire Hadar (Jpn), Do Deuce (Jpn), Echt (Jpn), Hishi Iguazu (Jpn), North Bridge (Jpn), Jack d’Or (Jpn). **Click for the JRA chart & video.**

## FORMER DERBY RUNNER WAIPIRO SUSTAINS TENDON INJURY IN HONG KONG



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**Waipiro (Ire) (Australia {GB})**, who ran sixth in the G1 Derby in the UK earlier this year, sustained a tendon injury to his right foreleg last week and is uncertain to make the Hong Kong Derby in March, trainer John Size told the *South China Morning Post*. Bred by Shane Molan, the Siu Pak-Kwan runner won the G3

Hampton Court S. after his Derby effort, leading former trainer Ed Walker to describe him as the “perfect horse for the Hong Kong Derby”.

“I don’t have a plan now because he’s got a tendon injury,” Size told the paper regarding the now-gelding. “A tendon’s a tendon. The recovery time depends on the horse.”

Waipiro’s older half-brother Waikuku (Ire) (Harbour Watch {Ire}), a winner of the G1 Stewards’ Cup (twice) and G1 Queen’s Silver Jubilee Cup, ran second in the HK Derby in 2019.

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**Monday, Saint-Cloud, France, post time: 15:00**

**PRIX SOLITUDE-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 10fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	12	Amneris (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Graffard	Pasquier	123
2	11	Zarga (Fr)	Camelot (GB)	Stoute	Peslier	123
3	15	Understated (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Beckett	R Ryan	123
4	6	Atakama (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Laffon-Parias	Madamet	123
5	2	Izник (Fr)	Zarak (Fr)	Rouget	Demuro	123
6	9	Santhia (Fr)	Ultra (Ire)	Andreu	Piccone	123
7	3	Winning Side (Fr)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Bary	Bazire	123
8	4	Ukraine (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Barberot	Lecoeuvre	123
9	10	Winter's Love (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Pantall	Pouchin	123
10	5	Gypsy Gold (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Rouget	Pacaut	123
11	7	Shmi (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Laffon-Parias	Soumillon	123
12	13	Red Danielle (GB)	Sea The Moon (Ger)	Varian	Lemaitre	123
13	8	Amelielympique (Ire)	Olympic Glory (Ire)	Reynier	Orani	123
14	14	Adeliade (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Fabre	Guyon	123
15	1	Ravioli (GB)	Churchill (Ire)	Reynier	Seguy	123

\*All posts listed in local time.



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