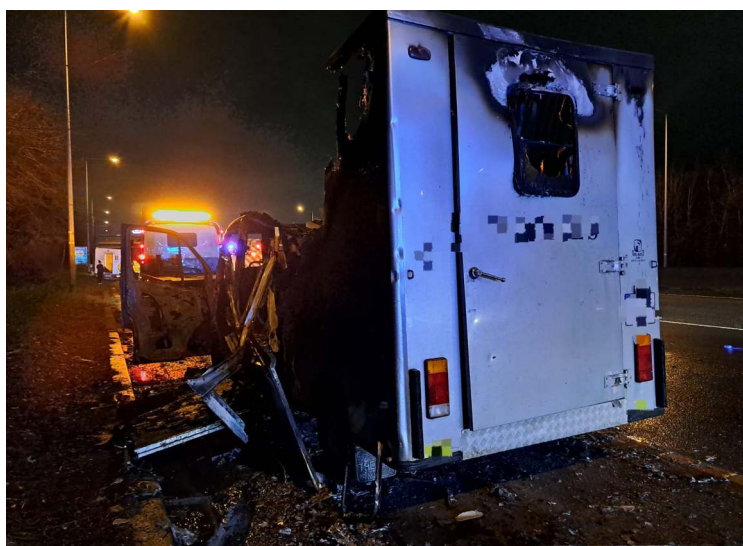




LUCKY ESCAPE FOR A & N BLOODSTOCK TEAM AFTER HORSE LORRY CATCHES FIRE



The horse box that the A&N team had been driving home from the races | Dublin Fire Brigade

By Brian Sheerin

Top breeze-up handlers Antonio Da Silva and Nikki Scallan of A&N Bloodstock had a lucky escape on Friday evening when, the horse box that they were driving on the way home from Dundalk races caught fire with the Jenny Lynch-trained Late Night Talking (Ire) ([Starspangledbanner {Aus}](#)) inside it.

But for their quick thinking, the couple's Late Night Talking, who had finished third in the mile maiden just a few hours earlier, could have met a horrific end when the vehicle burst into flames on the M50 motorway in Dublin.

Sharing the terrifying account of what happened, Da Silva said, "First there was smoke and then there was fire. Nikki was driving and she pulled over as quickly as she could and then I jumped into the back of the lorry to get the horse out of there. Nikki tried to take a few things out of the box but there was just fire everywhere."

It's not every young horse who would stand quiet as a lamb as the horse box they had been standing in just a few minutes previously threatened to explode but Late Night Talking took the nightmare experience in his stride.

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GRADE 1 WINNER CALDWELL POTTER OFF TO PAUL NICHOLLS FOR RECORD 740K

Grade 1 winner and live Cheltenham festival contender Caldwell Potter will continue his career for trainer Paul Nicholls after lighting up the Caldwell Construction Dispersal at Tattersalls Ireland on Monday when selling to Highflyer Bloodstock's Anthony Bromley for a National Hunt record of €740,000.

The Gordon Elliott-trained Caldwell Potter, who won the Paddy Power Future Champions Novice Hurdle at Leopardstown and is as short as 10-1 for the Supreme Novices' Hurdle, will race for a partnership comprising John Hales, Ged Mason, Sir Alex Ferguson and Peter Done.

Bromley commented, "You just don't get these rare commodities come on the market. My heart was skyrocketing when I was watching El Fabiolo jumping at Leopardstown yesterday, but this was far more nerve-wracking! [Cont. p6](#)

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Nysos ([Nyquist](#)) leads the way in T.D. Thornton's latest run down of this season's Classic colts.



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Lazzat, he first foal out of a granddaughter of G1 1000 Guineas heroine Sleepytime, remains undefeated at Cagnes-sur-Mer Monday.

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Scallan recalled, "I could get this smell of burning and then, before we knew, it was up in flames. We were between the Ballymun and Finglas turnoff on the M50. We couldn't do anything. We knew it was just going to go boom."

She added, "It's a good job the horse was quiet, that's all I will say. It just happened so quickly. We were very lucky. Junior, who drives for Thomond O'Mara, happened to be passing and thankfully he had space for the horse in his lorry so we loaded him up and got him home safely, but he had been standing on the side of the road for at least 20 minutes or so.

"If it had been the filly, Milliethemollie (Ire), who we also have in training with Jenny, it could have been a different story."

Like Milliethemollie, Late Night Talking was put into training with Lynch, the pair's neighbouring handler on the Maddenstown side of the Curragh, after he failed to sell at the breeze-ups. Milliethemollie has proved the venture to be worthwhile by winning at Dundalk in December while Late Night Talking has shaped with distinct promise in each of his three starts for the trainer.



Antonio Da Silva and Nikki Scallan with a Bungle Inthejungle colt who is breeze-up bound | Brian Sheerin

That shouldn't come as any great surprise as the A&N team have built up a reputation for selling a lot of winners in just a short space of time. So, what's the secret to their success? Hard work, it would seem.

Scallan said, "First lot goes out at five in the morning here. Sometimes they could go out even earlier. I get up and feed

them all at four. Some guys come in and ride out a couple of lots before they go to work and then they come back to us at lunchtime to ride a couple more."

She added, "We have around 20 breeze-up horses and another 10 in pre-training so 30 all together. We've had some nice horses for Takashi Kodama, the likes of Tosen Wish (Ire) (New Bay {GB}) and Pineapple Island (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), and we have built up a good relationship with Airlie Stud as well.

"They have sent us one to breeze almost every year and we sold a nice **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** filly on behalf of Airlie Stud at the Tattersalls Guineas Sale last year for 120,000gns. They've been very loyal to us and we sold Lady Beano (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}) for them two years ago as well so it's been a good relationship. We have another nice **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** colt for them this year so hopefully he goes well for them."

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Da Silva, a former jockey in his native Brazil, has spent time working for Michael Halford and Aidan O'Brien. But it was in Mark Dwyer's, where he was based for four years, where he first met Scallan, with the pair deciding to take the plunge and go it alone in 2020.

He said, "We started with one horse. We made a few bob and decided to get more. You need to keep investing. This is the job I love, breaking in the yearlings and watching them develop, and all of the sales companies have given us a chance to not only sell but to reinvest and buy some more. That's what you need to keep going and hopefully grow.

"Sometimes I lose count of how many I ride in a day! It is great when the guys come in and we get a team of maybe five or six together in a lot. They all come in on a Sunday. That's our work day. We are glad of the help and everyone in this game, they are like family, you know? We all help each other out."

Da Silva added, "I was a jockey in Brazil and have a good few wins under my belt. I finished second in a big race on my final ride in Brazil before deciding to come to Ireland where I spent five years working for Mick Halford, five years with Aidan O'Brien and then four years with Mark Dwyer. When I met Nikki, we said we'd try to make it ourselves. The first horse worked and every year we have tried to improve. We have some nice

clients as well, for breeze-up horses and pre-training, so that's a big help as well."

Coulthard (Ire) could be viewed as one of the first horses who first put A&N on the map. Sold for just £27,000 at the Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge Breeze-Up Sale in 2020, the Coulsty (Ire) colt placed in four of his five maiden starts for Michael O'Callaghan in Ireland before winning twice and placing in Grade 3 company for Phil D'Amato in America.

Scallan brings a different level of expertise to the outfit. A former amateur jockey, she has built up a wealth of knowledge on the sales circuit and also spent time with fellow breeze-up handler Katie McGivern before going to work for Dwyer.

Speaking about her background, she said, "I used to work for Timmy Hillman at Castledillon Stud and did a lot of sales work as well. I actually used to ride in a few bumpers-the best I ever managed was a second back in the day. Honey Pie was the name of the horse. Philip Fenton actually bet me. It was down at Cork and I think I had Tony Martin behind me that day. That used to be great fun.

"But it was Katie McGivern who got me into the breeze-ups. I'm from Wexford and, when she got engaged to her husband Tom, she moved her breezers down to Wexford and asked me to be her head girl. I did the breeze-ups with Katie that year and it was the following year that I went to Martin."





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Da Silva is just one of many Brazilians to be making a name for himself on the breeze-up circuit in Ireland. Diego Dias, Robson Aguiar and more have confirmed themselves to be extremely sharp in unearthing top-notch talent at basement prices and Da Silva explained how he takes great pride in his fellow countrymen's success.

He said, "I am very proud and we all try to help each other out when we can. Just because one guy is training in one place doesn't mean we can't all help each other out. We like to see each other get good results and we all work hard to go forward and be better each year.

"Everything is different in Brazil. Even the way we break horses in is different. The horses in Brazil were always very sharp and, all of the Brazilian jockeys riding here in Ireland, they all learned how to ride on quarter horses, sprinting horses. You know, you start riding quarter horses at 10 years old in Brazil. You could be 28kg or 30kg on top of a horse that weighs 500kg. Everyone knows a bit of that and then they come here and see how the Irish people take their time with horses."

Scallan added, "The one thing I would say about the Brazilians is they all have a great clock in their heads. They also have a great eye for an athlete."

It is Antonio who can be credited for picking out Kingdom Of Riches (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) for just £38,000 at the Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale in 2022. The horse went on to make 220,000gns at the Tattersalls Craven Sale last year, thus delivering the couple's greatest ever result in the ring. He recalled, "There was just something about that horse that kept catching my eye. He was a bit tall but he looked like a good horse. I had a guy willing to take half of the horse with me but, when I bought the horse, he said he no longer wanted him. I said, 'that's fine, I'll keep the horse myself.' Nikki and her daughter Megan took a leg and thankfully the horse turned out to be good and made 220,000gns. That made me very proud. "Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't. A lot of time when I come home from the sales, Nikki says, 'why you buy this, why you buy that!' After two or three weeks, she might say, 'oh, this actually is a nice horse!'"

So where is the next Kingdom Of Riches in the batch of 20 juveniles who have been pencilled into this year's breeze-up sales. The beauty is that nobody knows the answer but there is a certain colt by Bungle Inthejungle (GB) who has been putting his hand up recently to suggest he is a bit better than average.

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Scallan said, "There is a Bungle Inthejungle colt who looks a nice horse and, actually, Vandeeek (GB) is in the second dam. We bought him off Kelly Thomas, the breeder of Vandeeek, at Doncaster and he doesn't have a bad walk for a Bungle. He does everything so easily and we're thinking of the Craven or Donny with him."

On the remainder of the breeze-up squad, Da Silva added, "We have a nice Sands Of Mali (Fr) colt. He's a bit on the weak side but he should suit Donny or the Guineas Sale-something like that. There's another nice Acclamation (GB) colt there as well. He's a sharp, strong horse-a proper two-year-old. We also have a nice Havana Grey (GB) filly as well."

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Caldwell Potter | Tattersalls Ireland

"I have bought him for great clients John Hales, Ged Mason, Sir Alex Ferguson and Peter Done, who have a lovely horse in Kalif Du Berlais and this horse will join him at Paul Nicholls."

Elliott put up a determined fight to keep Caldwell Potter at Cullentra House Stables and finished up as underbidder on the horse who was spoken about as a potential Gold Cup prospect by Bromley.

The agent continued, "He is a standout, a lovely horse, I loved him as a youngster as a store. I have watched his career closely- he has only been running over two miles yet he looks a stayer. He may potentially be a Gold Cup horse, long term."

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"I can't say what plans Paul will have for the horse and we will see how it all works out, obviously there are the Cheltenham entries and Aintree would be a consideration, but he has been bought really as a chaser of the future."

The session turnover of €5,290,000 for the 29 lots on offer was a record-breaking aggregate for a one-day boutique National Hunt Sale. The average price for the session was €182,414.

Staffordshire Knot finished the afternoon's trade as the most expensive horse that Elliott managed to keep a hold of on €510,000. Elliott also signed for Sa Fureur, Doctor Elvis and Chemical Energy, bringing his total spend to €1,315,000, while prominent buyers for the stable such as Mags O'Toole stepped in to buy other smart prospects on behalf of current owners within the stable.

Elliott commented, "I was disappointed to lose the big horse, but that is the way it is--hopefully, he will be lucky for the new owners. Pied Piper is coming back and we have got all the ones we wanted apart from Caldwell Potter.

"Staffordshire Knot is an exciting six-year-old and we are delighted we have bought him. The horses all looked great--we only had a week's notice for this sale and it is a credit to the staff."

Simon Kerins, chief executive at Tattersalls Ireland, described staging the dispersal as an honour before labelling the sale as "a phenomenal success."

He said, "First and foremost, I extend my sincere gratitude to Andy and Gemma Brown, as well as Joey Logan, for entrusting us with their dispersal sale, it has been an honour.

"I would like to express my appreciation to Gordon Elliott and his team--every single horse in this draft has been produced looking in superb order and, finally, the Tattersalls Ireland team for turning this sale around at such speed. It is testament to the team's professionalism and hard work, proof of the flexibility that we have and ability to act as the industry requires.

"The sale has been a phenomenal success and the figures paid have been mind blowing. We knew these horses would be in high demand given their proven level of form, and all the big players were here today.

"We look forward to watching today's sales horses going on to achieve great things on the racecourse, and we hope to see the Browns return to the racing scene in the near future.

"We now look ahead to the National Hunt Store season and inspections, which, of course, will be highlighted by the 50th year of the industry-leading Derby Sale on June 26-27th."

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The first foal of the three-time Group 1 winner **Perfect Power (Ire)** (Ardad {Ire}) was born at Whatton Manor Stud on Feb. 3, Darley announced on Monday. The bay filly is a daughter of the former Richard Fahey trainee Vaulted (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}), a half-sister to the multiple Group 2 winners Dimension (GB) (Medicean {GB}) and Spacious (GB) (Nayef).

Whatton Manor's Ed Player described her as, "A big, strong filly, nice limbs and [we're] pretty pleased with the model we've got."

Perfect Power, who won the G1 Prix Morny and G1 Middle Park S. as a 2-year-old before adding the G1 Commonwealth Cup to his tally at three, stands for £10,000 at Dalham Hall Stud this year.

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RACING AUTHORITIES INITIATE FULL REVIEW INTO KEAGAN KIRKBY DEATH

The British Horseracing Authority (BHA) and Point-to-Point Authority (PPA) have launched a full review of the death of Keagan Kirkby Sunday. A member of the Paul Nicholls team in Ditcheat, the 25-year-old was riding at a meeting at Charing in Kent when his horse ran through the wing of a fence in the final race of the day.

"The necessary steps in response to this tragic incident commenced immediately after the race on Sunday and have continued [Monday]," stated a joint-statement from the BHA and PPA.

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“The BHA are visiting the site and will work with the PPA, the racecourse and attending medical teams to ensure that the incident is fully reviewed. All of the relevant bodies will also assist the police and/or Environmental Health Officer with any enquiries they wish to make.”

The statement continued, “The medical facilities and teams at Charing racecourse on Sunday were fully compliant with the required standards and included two racecourse doctors and three fully equipped ambulances with paramedic crews.”

“The medical team attended Mr. Kirkby within 30 seconds of his fall. Further support was provided by 999 road and air ambulances. Despite the immediate medical attention, the injuries were of such an extent that it was not possible to save Mr. Kirkby’s life. It is important that, with any incident such as this, we do all that we can to understand what caused it, and whether there is anything we can learn from it.”

“There is a risk attached to racing which can never be entirely removed, but we are committed to ensure that we assess every incident and use any findings to help continually improve our safety record.”

“Our thoughts remain with Keagan Kirkby’s family and his many friends and colleagues from within the racing industry and beyond. The Injured Jockeys Fund (IJF) are coordinating support for the Kirkby family, his places of work and any staff member or participant at the event.”

Tributes Pour In..

“Tragically sad news. My thoughts are with Keagan’s family, friends and everyone at Ditcheat.”---*Sir Anthony McCoy*

“Every now and then, things happen that make you regain perspective. A very sad day for racing. Love to those who lost a friend.”--*Trainer Fergal O'Brien*

“A terrible tragedy. Keagan loved his job and was an integral part of Team Ditcheat.”--*Nicholls' stable jockey Harry Cobden*

“A heartbreaking day, Keagan was as kind and enthusiastic a guy you could meet. We started at Paul’s on the same day four and a half years ago and became great friends. I am and always will be proud to be your friend and will miss you greatly.”--*Assistant trainer Charlie Davies*

“Heartbroken is an understatement, to have you as a best friend has been the biggest privilege life has given to me. Such a kind soul and an absolute gentleman and to know that I won’t be able to give you a hug and catch up with you anymore tears me up.”--*Ditcheat team member Scott Sainsbury*

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Quercine (GB), f, 3, **Sogann (Fr)**--Abonos (Ire), by Approve (Ire). Southwell, 2-5, 4f 214y (AWT), 0:57.42. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$10,595. B-Sarah Moorbey (GB).

Caustic (GB), g, 4, **Galileo (Ire)**--Starformer (MGSW-US, GSP-Fr, \$543,126), by Dynaformer. Lingfield, 2-5, 12f (AWT), 2:32.06. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, \$11,761. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (GB). *75,000gns HRA '23 TATBRG. **1/2 to Oyster Box (**Tapit**), MGSP-US, SP-Can, \$140,101; Flavius (**War Front**), SW-Ire, MSW & GSP-US, \$807,984.

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Monday's Results:

1st-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €30,000, Cond, 2-5, 3yo, 7 1/2ft, 1:32.89,
vs.

LAZZAT (FR) (g, 3, Territories {Ire}--Lastochka {GB}, by Australia {GB}), off the mark over this course and distance on debut last month, was in front initially before accepting a lead from Lovers Day (Fr) (Recorder {GB}). Moving effortlessly to that rival two out, the 1-2 favourite eased clear to score by six lengths. The winner is the first and so far only foal of a granddaughter of the G1 1000 Guineas heroine Sleepytime (Ire) (Royal Academy), which links him to fellow top-level scorer Taipan (Ire) (Last Tycoon {Ire}) and Sleepytime's full-brother Ali-Royal (Ire). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €26,500. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Nurlan Bizakov; B-Sumbe (FR); T-Jerome Reynier.


CONDITIONS RESULTS:

3rd-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €38,000, 2-5, 4yo, 10 3/4ft, 2:18.45, vs.

SPLENDINO (FR) (c, 4, Anodin {Ire}--Splendido {Fr} {SW-Fr, \$135,768}, by Slickly {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-1, €89,050. O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR); T-Jerome Reynier.

5th-Cagnes-sur-Mer, €38,000, 2-5, 5yo/up, 10 3/4ft, 2:18.04,
vs.

PARTENIT (FR) (h, 6, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Pilageya {Ire}, by New Approach {Ire}) Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 18-2-5-1, €83,907. O-Viktor Tymoshenko, Fabrice Vermeulen & Andriy Milovanov; B-Viktor Timoshenko & Andriy Milovanov (FR); T-Fabrice Vermeulen. *€775,000 RNA HRA '21 ARQARC.

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TDN DERBY TOP 12: ACE ON TOP, REST OF DECK GETS A GOOD RESHUFFLING



Bob Baffert and Flavien Prat chat after Nysos's dominating win in the Robert B. Lewis | *Benoit*

by T.D. Thornton

As if ranking the contenders for the GI Kentucky Derby isn't enough of a challenge in and of itself, the crystal ball-gazing becomes even more hazy when you factor in the ban imposed by Churchill Downs, Inc., on trainees from Bob Baffert's stable (click [here](#) for a more detailed writeup on this subject).

Even though the official Derby qualifying points leaderboard omits those horses, *TDN's* Top 12 will continue to include them for the time being on the basis that 1) the situation could change; 2) the performances of those horses represent significant benchmarks in establishing the pecking order for everyone else, and 3) there is no point at this still-early stage of the Triple Crown campaign to dismiss the accomplishments of the nation's top colts, regardless of whether they end up in the Derby or not.

1) NYSOS (c, **Nyquist--Zetta Z**, by Bernardini) '**TDN Rising Star**'. O-Baoma Corp; B-Susie Atkins (KY); T-Bob Baffert. Sales history: \$130,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$150,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$550,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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'ENCOURAGING START' AS \$500K HOME COOKING TOPS FASIG-TIPTON WINTER MIXED OPENER *by Jessica Martini*

LEXINGTON, KY - The Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale defied what has appeared in recent months to be a weakening sales market with a strong opening session in Lexington Monday.

"It was a very encouraging start," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. "There was lots of activity throughout the day, really from start to finish, at all level of horses and at all price ranges and all types of horses. Yearlings sold very well, mares in foal sold very well, broodmare prospects sold very well. The place was crowded very much from start to finish. And there was lots of activity at every level, which was very encouraging."

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LUCKY ESCAPE FOR A&N BLOODSTOCK TEAM

A&N Bloodstock's Antonio Da Silva and Nikki Scanllan had a lucky escape when a horse box they were driving caught fire while driving home from Dundalk Friday.

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Undefeated kingpin Nysos (*Nyquist*) extended the already sizable gap back to his next closest competitors with a thorough and professional clock-cleaning of six overmatched rivals in Saturday's GIII Robert Lewis S. at Santa Anita. The effort stood out because it was delivered in a scintillating style that underscored both the colt's level of self-assurance and his athletic prowess.

This 3-for-3 'TDN Rising Star' from trainer Bob Baffert's barn has now scored at six, seven and eight furlongs, winning by a combined 26 3/4 lengths while earning Beyer Speed Figures of

96 and 97 at age two prior to uncorking a wowza 105 for his sophomore debut.

The light-on-his-feet Nysos (\$130,000 KEENOV, \$150,000 FTKOCT, \$550,000 OBSAPR) glided under the wire by 7 1/2 lengths. Flavien Prat could have nudged that margin into double digits had he not begun the gearing-down process more than a sixteenth of a mile before the finish.

After breaking a beat slowly then opting not to go into chase mode to reel in a breakaway pacemaker, Prat's only taxing tactical decision came on the far turn when he opted to slice Nysos to the inside of one rival then come around the other tiring two. A hustling hand ride between the five-sixteenths and eighth poles was all it took to elicit the desired gear without Nysos needing to demonstrate how much torque might remain in reserve.

"He stumbled a bit leaving there, but he was in a good spot," Baffert said. "Prat rode him with a lot of confidence, he knows the horse well. I love the fact that he has speed and he proved he can do two turns. He has a great mind. He is a really good colt. You can just sit there and push the button at any time. It makes it so much easier for the riders, but I still get a little nervous."

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2) MUTH (c, Good Magic--Hoppa, by Uncle Mo) 'TDN Rising Star'. O-Zedan Racing Stables Inc; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY); T-Bob Baffert. Sales history: \$190,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$2,000,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 5-3-2-0, \$716,600. Last start: WON Jan. 6 GII San Vicente S.

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With three wins and two seconds from five lifetime races and a classy, all-business style, Muth (\$190,000 KEESEP and \$2 million OBSMAR) is in the top tier among the Bob Baffert's per-usual loaded stable of sophomores.

Oddly enough, this son of **Good Magic's** best race Beyer-wise (a 95 in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile) was his least visually impressive performance.


Even with a Santa Anita home-track advantage and a no-excuse stalking trip, this **'TDN Rising Star'** had to be driven hard in an unsuccessful attempt to match strides in upper stretch with eventual divisional champ Fierceness.

But Muth's co-lowest career Beyer of 90 in the Jan. 6 GIII San Vicente S. is the opposite, with the effort seeming better to the eye than the speed figure it earned.

The San Vicente could turn out to be an extremely useful seven-furlong speed sharpener for Muth, who shadowed two early leaders before running up the score at will while ridden out under the wire.


That effort whets the appetite for another two-turn engagement. But since Baffert's style is generally not to disclose stakes engagements until at or just before entry time, we're left to guess-although we do know that preps at Santa Anita and Oaklawn have historically been his most-preferred options.

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Prior to running second in the Breeders' Cup, Muth was already a winner over 1 1/16 miles against Grade I company. He scored in the Oct. 7 **American Pharoah** S. by forcing the issue from fourth, then tipping out to accost the leaders off the turn without needing much encouragement to wrest control of the race.

3) SIERRA LEONE (c, Gun Runner--Heavenly Love, by Malibu Moon) 'TDN Rising Star'. O-Mrs John Magnier, Michael B Tabor, Derrick Smith Westerberg, Rocket Ship Racing LLC & Peter M Brant; B-Debby M Oxley (KY); T-Chad Brown. Sales history: \$2,300,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$96,750. Last start: 2nd Dec. 2 GII Remsen S.

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'TDN Rising Star' Sierra Leone (**Gun Runner**) is targeting the GII Risen Star S. for his 2023 debut. That nine-furlong New Orleans race will be the first of two projected Derby preps at age three for trainer Chad Brown, which would give this colt three straight 1 1/8 mile races prior to attempting 10 furlongs in Louisville

This FTSAUG \$2.3 million sales topper looked like the winner in the closing stages of the Dec. 2 GII Remsen S. at Aqueduct when he rallied seven wide against the teeth of a sealed-track speed

bias. But Sierra Leone lugged in late and lost the lead to Dornoch (**Good Magic**), who prevailed by a nose.

That two-turn try was Sierra Leone's only other race after winning his one-turn-mile debut Nov. 4 at Aqueduct. After a slight bobble at the break, this colt settled next to last, overcame several minor momentum stalls on the backstretch and turn, swung five wide off the bend, then started to rally with authority. Despite twice shifting off the heels of rival runners, Sierra Leone was motoring late once he got straightened out.

The on-paper strength of that maiden win has been validated by short-priced, next-out wins by the second- and fourth-place finishers: Runner-up Change of Command is currently parked at No. 9 on the TDN Top 12 list after winning two subsequent starts at Gulfstream, while Tuscan Gold (**Medaglia d'Oro**) was named a fellow 'Rising Star' after a 6 1/4-length maiden romp at Gulfstream Jan. 31.

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Track Phantom will celebrate his Feb. 17 birthday by riding a three-race win streak into the Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds for trainer Steve Asmussen.

This \$500,000 KEESEP colt by **Quality Road** is on a path that could end up shadowing the career arc of another Asmussen trainee, **Epicenter**, who displayed a similar speed-centric style in 2021-22 while winning three of four stakes (barely losing the fourth by a head) on the New Orleans prep path.

On the strength of his GII Louisiana Derby victory, **Epicenter** ended up starting favored in the Kentucky Derby, where he had the race won in the shadow of the wire before 80-1 shocker Rich Strike blew by from out of nowhere in the final few jumps. **Epicenter** later won the 10-furlong GI Travers S. and was crowned champion 3-year-old colt.

Like Track Phantom seems to be doing now, **Epicenter** didn't wow anyone early on with flash and panache. But by the first Saturday in May, **Epicenter** had earned respect for his steady, reliable way of always showing up.

Track Phantom owns a Beyer progression 74, 81, 88, 89 and 90 in five starts, all at a mile or longer, and in his trio of two-turn scores he's showed a knack for deploying gate speed without being fazed by rail-running rivals trying to disrupt his rhythm with keyed-up tactics.

This colt's 2 3/4-length wiring in the GIII Lecomte S. might seem like an artifact of a tepid tempo. But the visual at the quarter pole of Track Phantom easily opening up while an all-out favorite was under futile urging and not making up ground behind him speaks strongly in support of Track Phantom's ability to settle into a comfortable cadence, then fend off anyone who makes a serious run at him.

5) FIERCENESS (c, City of Light--Nonna Bella, by Stay Thirsty) 'TDN Rising Star'. O/B-Repole Stable (KY); T-Todd Pletcher. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$1,127,250. Last start: 3rd Feb. 3 GIII

Holy Bull S.



LANE'S END FOALD & RAISED



You can pick among a variety of excuses for Fierceness's failed-to-fire third in the GIII Holy Bull S., and some of them might even be valid: His break from the gate wasn't ideal. He had to be used harder than expected while losing ground on the first turn just to stay in touch with a very slow pace. He wasn't fully cranked for the effort off a three-month layoff.

The bottom line, though, is that this 'TDN Rising Star' by **City of Light** is the 2-year-old champ, and based on the way the Holy Bull came up on paper, the betting public had hammered him to 1-5 odds because he was supposed to throttle competition of this caliber, even if he was having an "off" day.

(As a public-service announcement for horseplayers who might want to save money next year--or next month, the two 1 1/16-miles graded stakes at Gulfstream are among the biggest money-burning races for favorites on the entire Derby prep calendar. Holy Bull faves have now gone down in flames in seven of the last eight runnings, and the fave in the GII Fountain of Youth S. has lost 12 of the last 17 editions.)

But back to Fierceness: This is not a "toss the baby out with the bathwater" type of disappointment that gets this colt voted off the Top 12 island. The Repole Stable homebred reportedly exited Saturday's race none the worse for wear, according to trainer Todd Pletcher.

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Fierceness (left), Hades (right) | Nicole Thomas



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Based on the rip-roaring display of power Fierceness unleashed in the Breeders' Cup last November, it's conceivable that he rebounds in his one remaining prep (yet to be determined) and coasts into Louisville as a formidable force.

It's still early enough in the Derby season to be forgiving. But that will get more difficult as the prep-race cadence quickens and the plot thickens.

6) DORNOCH (c, Good Magic--Puca, by Big Brown) O-West Paces Racing LLC, R A Hill Stable, Belmar Racing and Breeding LLC, Two Eight Racing LLC & Pine Racing Stables; B-Grandview Equine (KY); T-Danny Gargan. Sales history: \$325,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$257,400. Last start: WON Dec. 2 GII Remsen S.

Because Dornoch is the full brother to last year's Derby winner, **Mage**, this son of **Good Magic** is destined to be saddled with outsized, and perhaps unfair, expectations.

But if Dornoch's focus ever manages to catch up with his large, brawny frame, this colt is going to be a legitimate Triple Crown threat.

This \$325,000 KESEEP trainee for Danny Gargan kicked off his career with a pair of runner-up efforts before wiring a 1 1/16-mile maiden field Oct. 14 at Keeneland by 6 1/2 lengths.

Tasked with nine-furlongs and a sealed, muddy surface at Aqueduct in the Remsen S., Dornoch outgunned five rivals for the lead, took pressure from a 27-1 shot, swatted back bids from fresh challengers on the far bend, then brushed the rail and re-surfed to steal the lead late from No. 3-ranked Sierra Leone.

The Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream will be next, and Dornoch is two breezes back into his training routine at Palm Meadows for that Mar. 2 stakes.

7) MAYMUN (c, Frosted--Handwoven, by Indian Charlie) 'TDN Rising Star'. O-Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.; B-Vision Racing & Sales LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert. Sales history: \$50,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP; \$900,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$39,000. Last start: WON Jan. 20 Santa Anita MSW.

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Maymun (\$50,000 KESEEP, \$900,000 OBSAPR) split horses early, shot straight to the lead, and set a spirited pace under pressure before shrugging off three wilting rivals at the quarter

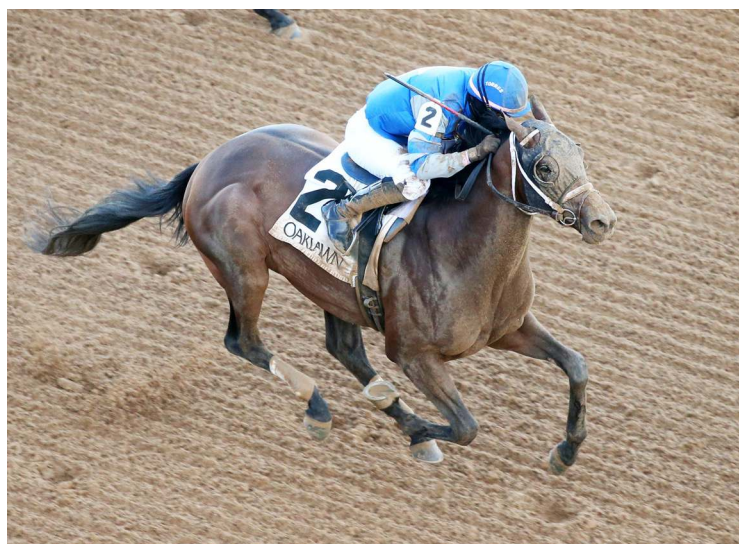
pole and cantering home by 7 1/2 easy lengths in his Jan. 20 unveiling over 6 1/2 furlongs at Santa Anita (93 Beyer).

This son of **Frosted** out of an Indian Charlie mare earned 'TDN Rising Star' status for the effort.

He was no secret to the betting public, as evidenced by 9-10 favoritism. Maymun had been on the radar of many who had pegged him as a horse of interest after seeing him breeze a furlong in :9 3/5 prior to the Ocala auction.

"He was ridiculously fast," trainer Bob Baffert had said of the colt shortly after the sale.

"This was one of the best horses in the sale, I thought," bloodstock agent Donato Lanni said last spring. "He deserved to bring that kind of money."



Catching Freedom | Coady

8) CATCHING FREEDOM (c, Constitution---Catch My Drift, by Pioneerof the Nile) O-Albaugh Family Stables LLC; B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Brad Cox. Sales history: \$575,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$237,350. Last start: WON Jan. 1 Smarty Jones S.



Add Catching Freedom to the list of Top 12 colts aiming for the Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds. Trainer Brad Cox envisions that Feb. 17 start as a springboard to the Mar. 30 GI Arkansas Derby as the final Kentucky Derby prep for this son of **Constitution**.

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Cox has won the Arkansas Derby in each of the last two seasons, with Cyberknife and Angel of Empire.

After breaking his maiden in a one-turn mile and running a decent fourth in a 1 1/16-mile allowance (both at Churchill), this \$575,000 KEESEP colt rode the rail near the back in the Jan. 1 Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn before unwinding with a long, grind-down rally. Catching Freedom finished up with head cocked out to the grandstand, and it took him a while to swap leads in the lane, but those aren't major concerns at this still-early point in his development.

Catching Freedom's form got a boost over the weekend when the fifth- and second-place finishers out of the Smarty Jones came back to run one-two in the GIII Southwest S.

9) CHANGE OF COMMAND (c, Into Mischief--Moi, by Medaglia d'Oro) O-Courtlandt Farms (Donald Adam); B-OXO Equine LLC (KY); T-Shug McGaughey. Sales history: \$570,000 Wlg '21 FTKNOV; \$1,050,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$113,300. Last start: WON Jan. 5 Gulfstream AOC.

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Change of Command is expected to be entered Wednesday in the GIII Sam Davis S. at Tampa Bay Downs. He'll be well regarded in the betting, but be aware that the Davis is another Florida winter prep stakes with a reputation for being a black hole for favorites. They've lost five of the last six runnings.

This Shug McGaughey-trained son of Into Mischief (\$570,000 FTKNOV, \$1.05 million KEESEP) debuted in the slop at Saratoga when fourth over six furlongs behind eventual 2-year-old champ Fierceness (a race that produced three next-out winners).

Then he led to mid-stretch, got passed by a flying 4-to-5 fave, and was necked for the place spot over the same distance Oct. 1 at Aqueduct.

In start number three at the Big A Nov. 4, this colt shot straight to the lead over a one-turn mile only to be reeled in by the No. 3-ranked Sierra Leone.

Coming off that second-place try, he tried seven furlongs at Gulfstream Dec. 17. Change of Command broke alertly, conceded the lead while stalking inside, edged up from third to second a half-mile out, then cut to the two path to go after the leader. Clearly in front by the five-sixteenths pole, Change of Command opened up under light encouragement to win by 6 1/2 lengths (77 Beyer).

Change of Command followed that up with an 83-Beyer allowance score Jan. 5 over 1 1/16 miles at Gulfstream, capitalizing on a trouble-free stalking trip to wear down a pesky pacesetter.



Conquest Warrior | Ryan Thompson

10) CONQUEST WARRIOR (c, City of Light--Tea Time, by Pulpit) 'TDN Rising Star'. O-Courtlandt Farms (Donald Adam); B-Betz/B&K Canetti/J.Betz/CoCo Equine/D.J. Stables (KY); T-Claude R. McGaughey III. Sales history: \$1,000,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$52,200. Last start: WON Jan. 13 Gulfstream MSW.

The massive-framed Conquest Warrior (**City of Light**) got sandwiched at the break, shuffled to last, then repeatedly ran into traffic while trying to uncoil in his maiden win in a Gulfstream one-turn mile Jan. 13.

Although his 84 Beyer for the first-time-Lasix effort didn't exactly leap off the charts, the victory was notable more for the "how he did it" factor rather than "how fast." **Cont.**



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Its visual impression alone was worthy of **'TDN Rising Star'** honors.

"I was surprised he broke the way he did," McGuaghey said of the \$1 million KEESEP colt. "I knew he'd be back and then finish. I was surprised by the effort he put in today with the trip he had for a young horse."

McGuaghey's next-race preference for maiden-breaking 3-year-olds at this stage of the season is generally an allowance race at either Gulfstream or Tampa rather than a stakes.

11) MYSTIK DAN (c, Goldencents--Ma'am, by Colonel John)

O/B-Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby & 4G Racing, LLC (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$510,110. Last start: WON Feb. 3 GIII Southwest S.

Mystik Dan's 11-1 splashdown win by eight lengths in the Southwest S. represented a tactical turnaround that trainer Kenny McPeek had been trying to bring about via morning training after four previous starts in which this Goldencents colt had raced on or near the lead.

"He needed to learn how to rate," McPeek said. "He needed to learn how to settle off horses and maintain that late punch, and we've been doing that in the morning every day."

But considering the muddy, sealed track conditions at Oaklawn, it was a dicey gamble for jockey Brian Hernandez Jr. to intentionally take back and tuck in after Mystik Dan had broken alertly and attained good early position into the first turn.

"I was fortunate enough, my horse left there quick enough, but not overly quick, to where I was able to get behind the leaders and make my way over to the fence," Hernandez said. "We were able to save ground on both turns. When we got to the second turn, I called on him and he picked it up. I was able to kind of just wait for a spot."



Mystik Dan | Coady

"When a seam opened up barely on the inside, he shot through there and did the rest for us."

It helped that the two pacemaking favorites had already capitulated and that Mystik Dan only had to reel in the stretch leader with no other foes firing from the back of the pack.

But even though the pace setup was ideal, this homebred for Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby, and 4G Racing finished up under his own power with a final sixteenth timed in 5.93 seconds, an eye-catching fractional clocking considering Hernandez had dialed him down late.

The Beyer came back as 101, which is 19 points higher than Mystik Dan's last effort, but within range of the 96 this colt earned when sprinting 5 1/2 furlongs Nov. 12 at Churchill.

12) TIMBERLAKE (c, Into Mischief--Pin Up (Ire), by Lookin At Lucky) 'TDN Rising Star'

O-Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC; B-St. Elias Stables, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. Sales history: \$350,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$475,600. Last start: 4th Nov. 3 GI FanDuel Breeders' Cup Juvenile S.

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Timberlake (Into Mischief) got crowned a **'TDN Rising Star'** in start number two on July 21, a nine-length blowout over seven furlongs at Ellis Park that yielded three next-out winners.

His beaten-favorite try in the GI Hopeful S. at Saratoga was hallmarked by a horror trip in which this Brad Cox trainee broke to the back, rushed up, then was continually boxed and blocked before bulling through to seize the lead at the eighth pole, only to get collared by a 54-1 shot in the final stages.

Bettors let him drift up to 4.9-1 odds in the GI Champagne S., and although the narrative of that race has unfairly evolved as Timberlake winning because odds-on Fierceness threw in a clunker, Timberlake was no slouch on his own merits. He edged up into a fast pace, swung eight wide for the drive, then put away a pesky foe at the eighth pole over a sloppy, sealed track.

Timberlake's trip to California for the Breeders' Cup was not a memorable one. He resisted efforts to settle on the first turn, then had no true response when urged for run on the second bend. He managed a no-factor fourth and has been freshened since.

Cox said last week the Feb. 24 GII Rebel S. at Oaklawn is a possible target for the Fair Grounds-based Timberlake.

"He's pointing for it," Cox said. "We've got to see how our works go over the next several weeks, but he's doing well. The other race in play for him would probably be the [one-mile Mar. 2 GIII] Gotham [S.] at Aqueduct," Cox said. "He did win up in New York."

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Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed, cont. from p1

"I think we all had a little fear and trepidation about where the middle market is and is there going to be a market for some of the horses that are perceived to be the lesser expensive ones, and I thought the trade was good there today."

A total of 196 horses sold Monday for a gross of \$7,925,500. The average was \$40,436 and the median was \$16,000. Those figures were significantly up from the auction's 2023 opening session when 182 horses sold for \$5,524,300, for an average of \$30,353 and a median of \$10,500.

With 41 horses reported not sold, the buy-back rate was 17.3%. It was 20.5% a year ago.

Bloodstock agent Steve Young made the highest bid of the day when securing the Grade I-placed broodmare prospect **Home Cooking** (Honor Code) for \$500,000 on behalf of Ramona Bass, who continues to acquire mares to support her recently retired stallion **Annapolis**.

A colt by **Constitution** was the day's top-priced yearling when selling for \$300,000. The 22-year-old Jes Sikura signed the ticket on behalf of a pinhooking partnership in the name of Discovery Bay.

During Monday's session, 25 horses sold for six figures. Up for 13 to hit that mark a year ago.

The Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed Sale concludes with a session beginning Tuesday at 10 a.m. The session is expected to be dominated by offerings from the dispersal of Lothenbach Stables.

Young Continues Buying for **Annapolis**

Bloodstock agent Steve Young and breeder Ramona Bass, who were busy buying mares to support Bass's recently retired Grade I-winning stallion **Annapolis** (**War Front**) at last month's Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale, continued their

buying spree at the Fasig-Tipton Winter Mixed Sale, going to \$500,000 to acquire **Home Cooking** (Honor Code) (**hip 68**) Monday in Lexington. The Grade I-placed broodmare prospect was consigned by Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa.

"She is a wonderful mare," Young said. "She was a very fast horse at OBS. She was unlucky not to win the Grade I as a 2-year-old and, if she had won that, I don't know what she would have cost, but she would have cost more than that. And she still has the same genes, the same balance and the same mechanics. So, I think she was bought at a very good price."

Home Cooking, a daughter of Olympic Avenue (**Hard Spun**), is a half-sister to multiple stakes-placed Gold for Kitten (Kitten's Joy) and from the family of Valid Expectations. She sold to Three Amigos for \$260,000 after working a furlong in **9 4/5** at the 2022 OBS March sale.

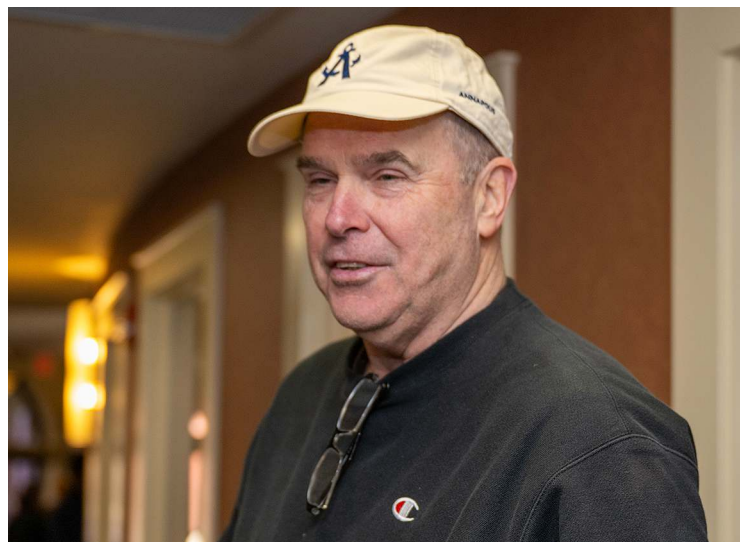
Racing for Mike Pegram, Paul Weitman and Karl Watson and trained by Bob Baffert, the bay graduated by 9 1/4 lengths at Del Mar that August. She stumbled at the break before coming up just a head short when second as the heavy favorite in the GI Del Mar Debutante (**video**). On the board in four of eight career starts and with two wins, **Home Cooking** retired with earnings of \$176,180.

Of **Home Cooking's** appearance in the February sale, Young said, "In the last decade, there are a lot of people who would rather be a big fish in a smaller pond. She's got quality to sell in any sale. She's a serious horse."

Young purchased four mares to support **Annapolis** at the Keeneland January sale: Bridlewood Cat (**Street Sense**) (**hip 267**) for \$750,000; Kaling (**Practical Joke**) (**hip 387**) for \$650,000; Juniper's Moon (Galileo {Ire}) (**hip 419**) for \$625,000; and Pure Pauline (**Curlin**) (**hip 490**) for \$160,000.

"We don't have a set number, but we are going to support him for real," Young said.

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Steve Young | Fasig-Tipton

“We don't necessarily have to have a full roster by the start of the breeding season--there are going to be horses who either retire or come up privately on the way. So we are just methodically buying horses that he deserves.”

Annapolis, winner of the 2022 GI Coolmore Turf Mile, will begin his stud career this month at Claiborne at a fee of \$12,500.

Constitution Colt Gets Sikura on the Board

Jes Sikura, flanked by Chris Baccari and Randy Hartley in the upstairs balcony of the sales pavilion, signed the ticket at \$300,000 to acquire a colt by **Constitution** (hip 242) in the name of Discovery Bay. Sikura said the colt was purchased for a pinhooking partnership, but the partnership did not include Baccari or Hartley.

“He was a really nice, smooth-moving **Constitution**,” Sikura said. “I bought him for a partnership. It's a new partnership--a guy from down south. We are going to wheel him back as a yearling. And we are pretty excited to see what happens.”

Consigned by Four Star Sales and bred by Cypress Creek Equine, the chestnut colt is out of Special Thanks (Broken Vow). The mare, in foal to **War Front**, was purchased by Cypress Creek for \$200,000 at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton February sale. Carrying this **Constitution** colt, she RNA'd for \$170,000 at the 2023 Keeneland January sale. Her **War Front** colt sold for \$210,000 at Fasig-Tipton the next month.

“He is probably going to be a late bloomer--he's a late May foal--so I thought he had good angles and proportional,” Sikura said of the yearling's appeal. “I think he can develop into something big, strong and attractive.”

Asked if this was the highest-priced ticket he has signed, the 22-year-old Sikura, son of Hill 'n' Dale's John Sikura, said, “In the U.S., yes.”



Jes Sikura | Fasig-Tipton

Wade Strikes for Justify Filly

David Wade, still in an ebullient mood after adding **Endorsed to the roster at Northview Stallion Station**, restocked for a return trip to the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale later this year when purchasing a filly by **Justify** (hip 224) for \$290,000 at Newtown Paddocks Monday.

“She will go to the Saratoga sale,” Wade said of the short yearling. “We've been pinhooking some horses there for the last couple of years. She'll be another one that we will take there.”

Consigned by Pdraig Campion's Blandford Stud, the bay filly was bred by Paget Bloodstock. She is out of the unraced mare Shannon Faith (Discreet Cat) and her third dam is Felicita (Rubiano), who produced Take Charge Lady. Take Charge Lady is the dam of Will Take Charge, **Take Charge Indy** and As Time Goes By.

Shannon Faith was purchased by Shannon Bloodstock for \$27,000 at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton February sale.

Speaking of fillies by red hot **Justify**, Wade said, “They are nice, robust horses and most of them are pretty correct. And they've got bone. This one looks like an athlete. She is a nice walker and an attractive type horse that we think is going to develop very well by August.”

At last year's Saratoga sale, Northview Stallion Station sold a colt by **Good Magic** (hip 150), purchased for \$225,000 at Keeneland January, for \$350,000, and a colt by **Gun Runner** (hip 220), purchased for \$400,000 at Keeneland January, for \$650,000.

Asked for his impression of the foal/short yearling market this year, Wade said, “At that end of the market, it is always competitive. I know people like to make comments about how the market is this year as opposed to last year, but it's always competitive when you are trying to buy a good horse. Everybody is here for the same ones.”

A Date for Mage

Mage (**Good Magic**) took co-owner and bloodstock agent Ramiro Restrepo on the ride of a lifetime when he won the GI Kentucky Derby last May. Restrepo was in action at Fasig-Tipton Monday purchasing mares for Jose Aguirre's JR Ranch to support the stallion who begins his stud career this month at Airdrie Stud. Restrepo signed the ticket at \$290,000 to acquire multiple stakes winner and multiple graded placed **R Adios Jersey** (Adios Charlie) (hip 191) from the Gainesway consignment.

“We were looking for speed, so we got R Adios Jersey for him,” Restrepo said. “She ran some really impressive figures. She was running at our home track at Gulfstream, so we had an up close and personal look at her. She is a beautiful filly with really nice conformation. So we are over the moon and really happy to get her.” **Cont.**

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Bred by Ocala Stud and Michael O'Farrell, Jr., R Adios Jersey is out of Marion Theatre (Montbrook) and sold for \$12,000 at the 2020 OBS March sale.

She was a four-time stakes winner against fellow Florida-breds and last year was third in the Gill Hurricane Bertie S. and Gill Princess Rooney S. On the board in 12 of 15 starts, she won seven times and earned \$393,245.

Earlier in Monday's session of the winter sale, JR Ranch acquired multiple stakes winner **Luna Belle** (Great Notion) (hip 119) for \$100,000 from Bill Reightler's consignment.

"Size and speed," Restrepo said of what he looks for in potential dates for **Mage**. "Fillies that were able to win at a black-type level. I've always thought that, with the mares, you look for speed, and the stallion will give them the class that they need to take them over the top. **Mage** was a horse that naturally was an exceptional seven furlong to a miler and [trainer] Gustavo [Delgado] got him to go the 1 1/4 miles. But he was a horse with a lot of heart and a lot of fight. These mares show those similar qualities. If those two things can come together, we'll have some nice pieces."

Of JR Ranch, Restrepo said, "They have bought a couple of properties in Ocala and we've bought horses in Goffs and Arqana this summer with them in partnership. They are new to the game and very, very excited. We have some 2-year-olds running, a 3-year-old we bought at the Royal Ascot sale. So they are game and love the business."

At last year's Goffs London Sale, JR Ranch purchased Ocean Vision (Ire) (U S Navy Flag) (hip 25) for £250,000, while at Arqana last August, Restrepo's Marquee Bloodstock acquired a yearling by **Siyouni** (hip 279) for €700,000 on behalf of Aguirre.

"They are racing, breeding, a little pinhooking, racing internationally," Restrepo said of JR Ranch. "A little bit of everything."

Good Magic Colt Destined for Resale

Marshall Taylor acquired a colt by **Good Magic** (hip 141) for \$270,000 on behalf of his Castleton Way/Hard Five pinhooking partnership Monday at Fasig-Tipton. The Pennsylvania-bred short yearling, consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, was bred by **Uptowncharlybrown Stud**.

"He is a beautiful colt with a lot of size and stretch to him for his sire," Taylor said as several would-be buyers peered in to see who had acquired the popular colt. "He has a really nice walk on him. We are excited to have him. We plan on taking him back in a summer sale this year."

Out of the unraced Moonlight Serenade (Malibu Moon), the colt is a half-brother to Dixie Serenade (Uptowncharlybrown), winner of the 2018 Gill Victory Ride S. The mare's 2-year-old Not the First Time (**Not This Time**) RNA'd for \$90,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

"We have a little bit of information on the 2-year-old, the **Not This Time** filly," Taylor said. "I know she's training really well. So that gave me a little confidence right there that we might have an update."

Of the foal market last November and into the short yearling market this year, Taylor said, "I feel like this year, you've had to stretch more than in past years. I feel like it's been tough. November was really hard and it carried right over into January and now into February."

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• No. Sold	196	182
• RNAs	41	38
• % RNAs	17.3%	20.5%
• High Price	\$500,000	\$340,000
• No. Over \$100k	25	13
• Gross	\$7,925,500	\$5,524,300
• Average (% change)	\$40,436 (+33.2%)	\$30,353
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SESSION TOPPERS

FASIG-TIPTON WINTER MIXED SALE MONDAY'S TOP SHORT YEARLINGS

HIP	SEX	SIRE DAM	PRICE (\$)
242	colt	Constitution --Special Thanks (\$170,000 RNA i/u '23 KEEJAN) <i>Breeder: Cypress Creek Equine (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Four Star Sales, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Discovery Bay</i>	300,000
224	filly	Justify --Shannon Faith <i>Breeder: Paget Bloodstock (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Blandford Stud (Padraig Champion), agent</i> <i>Puchaser: David Wade, agent</i>	290,000
141	colt	Good Magic --Moonlight Serenade <i>Breeder: Uptowncharlybrown Stud (PA)</i> <i>Consignor: Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XII</i> <i>Purchaser: Castleton Way/Hard Five</i>	270,000
293	colt	Maxfield --Wajeaha (\$90,000 i/u '23 FTKFEB) <i>Breeder: Chesapeake Farm & Rockridge Stud, Tamie Semler, and John McConnell (NY)</i> <i>Consignor: Vinery Sales, Agent XXII</i> <i>Purchaser: Stoney Pointe Bloodstock</i>	240,000
233	filly	More Than Ready --Sis City <i>Breeder: Linda Merritt & More Than Ready Syndicate (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Brookdale Sales, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Resolute Bloodstock</i>	190,000
088	filly	Quality Road --Just Read It (\$525,000 i/u '22 KEENOV) <i>Breeder: Jim Cone (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Four Star Sales, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Clarmont Bloodstock Club</i>	130,000
067	colt	Maclean's Music --Hollywood Hills <i>Breeder: George Krikorian (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: American Equistock</i>	120,000
134	colt	Munnings --Minewander (\$57,000 i/u '23 FTKFEB) <i>Breeder: Erik R Johnson (Ky)</i> <i>Consignor: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, agent</i> <i>Purchaser: Chad Frederick</i>	120,000

MONDAY'S TOP BROODMARES

HIP	NAME	STATUS	PRICE (\$)
068	Home Cooking <i>(4, Honor Code--Olympic Avenue, by Hard Spun)</i> <i>Consigned by Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, agent</i> <i>Purchased by Steven W. Young, agent</i>	b'mare prospect	500,000
191	R Adios Jersey <i>(6, Adios Charlie--Marion Theatre, by Montbrook)</i> <i>Consigned by Gainesway, Agent V</i> <i>Purchased by JR Ranch</i>	r/b'mare prospect	290,000
112	Leggs Galore <i>(7, Bayern--Cashing Tickets, by Indian Charlie)</i> <i>Consigned by Legacy Bloodstock, Agent XVI</i> <i>Purchased by Gainesway Farm</i>	aborted	200,000
142	Motown Girl <i>(7, Uncle Mo--Cash's Girl, by Northern Afleet)</i> <i>Consigned by Four Star Sales, Agent for Bayne & Christina Welker</i> <i>Purchased by D C Goff</i>	i/f Jack Christopher	170,000
118	Love the Nightlife <i>(4, Ghostzapper--Handwoven, by Indian Charlie)</i> <i>Consigned by Buckland Sales (Zach Madden), Agent VI</i> <i>Purchased by W D North TBS for Sweet Pea Stables</i>	b'mare prospect	160,000
214	Sassiness <i>(4, Uncle Mo--Song of the Lark, by Seeking the Gold)</i> <i>Consigned by Highgate Sales, Agent IV</i> <i>Purchased by De Sousa Stables/Cranfo Bloodstock</i>	r/b'mare prospect	155,000

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- **Maxfield** was represented by the highest-priced yearling from a first-crop sire when Stony Pointe Bloodstock purchased a colt by the Darley stallion for \$240,000 from the Vinery Sales consignment.
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MATING PLANS, PRESENTED BY SPENDTHRIFT: MULHOLLAND SPRINGS

The TDN's popular annual series 'Mating Plans, presented by Spendthrift,' continues today in a conversation with Mulholland Springs' John Mulholland.



Meal Ticket's colt by Into Mischief that sold at last summer's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale | Fasig-Tipton

MEAL TICKET (10, Malibu Moon--Rainbow's Song by Unbridled's Song) to be bred to Into Mischief

Second in the GII Royal Heroine S. at Santa Anita and the listed Golden Poppy S. at Golden Gate, we purchased this mare

privately after her final start of her career. Meal Ticket was bred her first year to Into Mischief and produced an absolutely stunning colt that we sold to BC Stables for \$850,000 at the Fasig Tipton Saratoga Sale last August. She produced a filly last year by the same sire and is currently pregnant to **Gun Runner** for this foaling season. After the success of her first foal and again so pleased with her now yearling filly, we booked Meal Ticket back to Into Mischief for this year. Some additional exciting news for this pedigree is that Meal Ticket's half-brother El Grande O is now a multiple stakes winner in New York and was just recently a strong second in the Jerome S. We will continue to strongly support Meal Ticket in her breedings and we are so excited about all the recent stakes activity in the immediate family. Hopefully, her own foals will run to their exceptional looks!

TOUCHY FEELY (12, Bernardini--Touched by Touch Gold) to be bred to Gun Runner

This is a family near and dear to our collective hearts for over 30 years. From the immediate family of Grade II winner Indian Firewater, Touchy Feely herself was debut maiden special weight winner. She had a minor injury and subsequently became a member of the broodmare band. Her first two foals were modest winners but her daughter Life Talk (**Gun Runner**) has truly resurrected this family with her smashing victory in the GII Demoiselle S. Going back four generations in this pedigree have all called Mulholland Springs home. Touchy Feely has a 2-year-old filly by Maclean's Music that was a \$140,000 Keeneland January short yearling purchase and a yearling filly by Bolt D'Oro that just recently sold for \$250,000 at the Keeneland November sale. Touchy Feely is carrying a Cyberknife in the belly and is booked back to **Gun Runner** for this breeding season. With Life Talk clearly cemented on the Kentucky Oaks trail, we are beyond excited to see new life breathed into a pedigree that has so richly rewarded us for over three decades.

MIDNIGHT UNION (10, Union Rags--Midnight Visit by Henny Hughes) to be bred to Cody's Wish

A recent \$350,000 Fasig Tipton November purchase for the farm, Midnight Union is the dam of Grade I placed and multiple graded-placed Awake At Midnyte, who sold for \$825,000 to Japanese interests at the same sale. This is a family that we have a lot of direct experience with in recent years. Awake At Midnyte was sold by Mulholland Springs (on behalf of longtime clients) as a yearling and Midnight Union has resided at Mulholland Springs for several past breeding seasons.

Midnight Union has a **Tapit** yearling filly, is pregnant to Jackie's Warrior and will be bred back to Cody's Wish this season.

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Midnight Union | Sarah Andrew

After having foaled and raised several of Midnight Union's foals, we are so excited at the opportunity to have acquired this mare and we will continue to strongly support this pedigree that we believe in so much. We were the direct under-bidders (on behalf of clients) when Awake At Midnyte recently went through the auction ring. She was just absolutely stunning to look so we know very well what this mare can produce both commercially and at the race track.

REINA MARIA (15, Songandaprayer--Maria's Pride by Maria's Mon) to be bred to Into Mischief

We acquired this mare privately several years ago and she truly rewarded us to say the least. A half-sister herself to Grade I winner Secret Compass, Reina Maria is the dam of Grade II winner and young leading sire Maximus Mischief.

Reina Maria is due to foal an Into Mischief this year and is booked right back to the perennial leading sire again. She has a very precocious 2-year-old colt by Into Mischief that will undoubtedly resurface at one of the spring sales in Ocala. This mare has been so good to us and we firmly believe she has another superstar up her sleeve.

BLAME IT ON ALPHIE (10, Blame--Miss Alphie by Candi's Gold) to be bred to Cody's Wish

Purchased for \$200,000 at the 2018 Keeneland November sale, this mare was a very high caliber winner and stakes performer on the west coast. We had originally purchased her with the plan to breed to City Of Light his first season at stud but those hopes were dashed late in the summer when she slipped the foal. So, we decided to keep the mare and it has been a great decision overall.

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Blame It On Alpie's 3-year-old named Nullify (**American Pharoah**) was a \$325,000 Fasig Tipton Saratoga graduate and her 2-year-old filly by Into Mischief was a \$350,000 Keeneland September purchase. Her yearling filly, also by Into Mischief, was a recent \$600,000 Keeneland November purchase. This foal was absolutely stunning and one of the most balanced and athletic babies that we have ever bred and raised. **Blame It On** Alpie is currently pregnant to **Life Is Good** and is booked back to Cody's Wish for this breeding season. Lots to be excited for with this young mare.

SISTER (7, Fort Larned--Langara Lass by Langfuhr) to be bred to Elite Power

We purchased this mare a few years ago because she is a half-sister to our Grade I-placed mare Battlefield Angel, the dam of Grade II winner and multiple graded-placed Manny Wah. This has been such a great family to us for over 10 years now. Unfortunately, we lost Battlefield Angel to colic a few years ago so we naturally jumped at the opportunity to get right back into this highly-productive family.

When we bought Sister, she was carrying an Arrogate in the belly. That foal went on sell for \$200,000 at the Fasig Tipton Saratoga sale and was eventually named Saratoga Secret. The filly would go on to be a smart debut winner and followed up with a second in the GII Schuylerville S. at Saratoga. She is being pointed to the Martha Washington S. at Oaklawn. Sister has a beautiful Maclean's Music yearling filly, pregnant to **Jack Christopher** at the moment and booked back to **Elite Power**.

BICAMERAL (5, Constitution--Humble Song by Songandaprayer) to be bred to Bolt d'Oro

Bicameral was a \$375,000 Keeneland November purchase in 2022. She was second on debut and then subsequently placed third in the Del Mar Debutante. She would go on to break her maiden at Santa Anita and win an allowance at Del Mar. Bicameral is a tall, powerful mare with great balance and loads of class. She is carrying her first foal by **Uncle Mo** and is booked back to Bolt D'Oro for this season.

HEAR MY PRAYER (7, Big Beast and out of Additional Prayer by Songandaprayer) to be bred to Cody's Wish

Purchased privately last spring, Hear My Prayer is a listed stakes winner at Gulfstream and Grade III-placed at Santa Anita. She is an absolutely stunning mare with a powerful shoulder, beautifully balanced top line and a strong hind end.

Here My Prayer was bred last year to **Gun Runner** and is booked back to Cody's Wish for this season. We feel this drop dead mare could make a wonderful addition to our broodmare band long term.



Bicameral | Keeneland

ASK BAILEY (7, Run Away and Hide and out of Puype's Dream by Kris S.) to be bred to Taiba

A \$255,000 2021 Keeneland November purchase, we tried to send her right back into training but she got sick on us, so we sent her immediately to the farm to join the broodmare band. Ask Bailey was second at Kentucky Downs as a juvenile and then subsequently third in the GII Jessamine S. at Keeneland. Ask Bailey would go on to win a listed stakes at Canterbury Park.

We bred Ask Bailey her first year to Medaglia d'Oro and got a rather strong and handsome colt. I'm very pleased with this foal. She is currently pregnant to **Life Is Good** and is booked back to Taiba for this breeding season. We feel both **Life Is Good** and Taiba complement Ask Bailey very well physically. This is an exciting mare for us and we will support her strongly to get her breeding career off and running.

Interested in sharing your own mating plans? Email garyking@thetdn.com.

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HISA APPOINTS BETHANY ERB TO DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

With over 18 years experience in government affairs and stakeholder engagement, Bethany Erb has been appointed to serve as Director of Public Affairs at the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA), the organization announced via press release Monday.

In the position, Erb will manage HISA's engagement with policymakers and other stakeholders in Washington, D.C. and around the country, which includes representatives from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) as well as the various advocacy groups inside and outside of the industry.



Bethany Erb | *Courtesy of Bethany Erb*

Erb’s prior positions include within the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation, and the Land Trust Alliance as well as two appointments to the Hunting and Wildlife Conservation Council.

“I deeply respect the important work HISA is doing to protect equine athletes, jockeys, and the future of the sport,” said Erb. “Horses and equestrian sports have been an integral part of my life since childhood and I am excited to be part of this organization and help further its mission.”

HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus praised the appointment of Erb, calling her experience with large-scale and local advocacy groups an ‘excellent choice’ for the position.

“Bethany’s experience on Capitol Hill and with leading national-level and grassroots advocacy efforts make her an excellent choice for this role; we are confident that her skills will be invaluable in advancing HISA’s mission. She shares HISA’s core values and unwavering commitment to the advancement of Thoroughbred racing, and we are thrilled to welcome her to the team.”

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2023 SOVEREIGN AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The Jockey Club of Canada unveiled the 2023 Sovereign Awards finalists Monday led by Kings Plate S. winner Paramount Prince (Society's Chairman) and Woodbine Oaks heroine Elysian Field (**Hard Spun**). The winners of each category, along with Canada's 2023 Horse of the Year, will be revealed during the Annual Sovereign Award ceremony held April 18 in Woodbridge, Ontario. Awards will also be given to Outstanding Groom and Outstanding Off-Track Worker along with the E.P. Taylor Award.

Finalists are listed alphabetically below:

- Champion 2-year-old Female:** Living Magic (**Justify**), Tripolina (**Constitution**), Witwatersrand (**Connect**)
- Champion 2-year-old Male:** Babbo (**Kantharos**), My Boy Prince (**Cairo Prince**), Two Ghosts (**Ghostzapper**)
- Champion 3-year-old Female:** Elysian Field (**Hard Spun**), Fashionably Fab (Silent Name {Jpn}), Solo Album (**Curlin**)
- Champion 3-year-old Male:** Paramount Prince (Society's Chairman), Patches O'Houlihan (Reload), Touch'n Ride (**Candy Ride {Arg}**)
- Champion Older Main Track Female:** Il Malocchio (Souper Speedy), Infinite Patience (Sungold), Millie Girl (**Hard Spun**)
- Champion Older Main Track Male:** Treason (**Constitution**), Tyson (**Tapit**), Wolfie's Dynaghost (**Ghostzapper**)
- Champion Female Turf Horse:** Fev Rover (Ire) (Gutaifan {Ire}), Moira (**Ghostzapper**), Our Flash Drive (**Ghostzapper**)
- Champion Male Turf Horse:** Lucky Score (Lookin At Lucky), My Boy Prince (**Cairo Prince**), Palazzi (Pioneerof the Nile)
- Champion Female Sprinter:** Fashionably Fab (Silent Name {Jpn}), Loyalty (**Hard Spun**), Our Flash Drive (**Ghostzapper**)
- Champion Male Sprinter:** Dream Shake (**Twirling Candy**), Lucky Score (Lookin At Lucky), Patches O'Houlihan (Reload)
- Outstanding Broodmare:** Game (Fr) (Montjeu {Ire}), Mendocino Beano Smart Strike), Sunday Affair (A.P. Indy)
- Outstanding Breeder:** Adena Springs, Anderson Farms Ont. Inc, Chiefswood Stables Limited, Sam-Son Farm, Sean Fitzhenry
- Outstanding Owner:** Gary Barber, Chiefswood Stables Limited, Bruno Schickedanz
- Outstanding Trainer:** Kevin Attard, Mark E. Casse, Martin Drexler
- Outstanding Apprentice Jockey:** Fraser Aebly, Amanda Vandermeersch, Sofia Vives
- Outstanding Jockey:** Sahin Civaci, Rafael Manuel Hernandez, Kazushi Kimura

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Audible (Into Mischief) <i>(Life's an Audible--Sweetest Chant S.-GIII)</i>	3	1
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Awesome Slew (Awesome Again) <i>(Hades--Holy Bull S.-GIII)</i>	2	1
Blame (Arch) <i>(Epic Ride--Leonatus S.)</i>	46	21
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Goldcents (Into Mischief) <i>(Mystik Dan--Southwest S.-GIII)</i>	26	7
Khozan (Distorted Humor) <i>(R Harper Rose--Forward Gal S.-GIII)</i>	15	4
Preservationist (Arch) <i>(Band of Gold--Martha Washington S.-L)</i>	1	---
Street Sense (Street Cry {Ire}) <i>(Comparative--Bayakoa S.-GIII)</i>	85	35

Tapwrit (Tapit) <i>(Lightofmaine--LA Bred Premier Starlet S.)</i>	5	---
War Front (Danzig) <i>(First World War--Kitten's Joy S.-GIII; Goliad--Thunder Road S.-GIII)</i>	117	69

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MGSW ENDORSED, HALF TO CODY'S WISH, ENTERS STUD AT NORTHVIEW STALLION STATION

Endorsed (**Medaglia d'Oro**--Dance Card, by **Tapit**), the half-brother to Horse of the Year **Cody's Wish** (**Curlin**), will stand the 2024 breeding season in Maryland at Northview Stallion Station for a fee of \$5,000, the farm announced Monday. The 8-year-old MGSW, who retired after an injury while in training towards the GI Pegasus World Cup, last started in the GIII Steve Sexton Mile and finished his career with earnings of \$970,133 and a record of 36-7-8-5.

"Endorsed has been on our radar for quite some time and we're thrilled to present a horse of this quality to the Mid Atlantic region," said David Wade, General Manager of Northview Stallion Station.

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Rank	Stallion	BTW	BTH	GSW	GSH	G1SW	G1SH	Starters	Wnrs	Highest Earner	Earnings
1	Audible (2015) by Into Mischief FYR: 2021	2	3	1	2	--	--	43	5	128,995	357,159
				Stands: WinStar Farm KY Fee: \$15,000						Life's an Audible	
2	Omaha Beach (2016) by War Front FYR: 2021	1	3	1	1	--	--	31	6	60,000	331,069
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$40,000						Kopion	
3	Preservationist (2013) by Arch FYR: 2021	1	1	--	--	--	--	25	5	135,000	281,486
				Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$5,000						Band of Gold	
4	Divisidero (2012) by Kitten's Joy FYR: 2021	1	1	--	--	--	--	6	2	80,321	136,535
				Stands: Airdrie Stud KY Fee: \$5,000						Vote No	
5	Leofric (2013) by Candy Ride (Arg) FYR: 2021	1	1	--	--	--	--	11	2	60,000	97,628
				Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$7,500						Roanan Goddess	
6	Maximus Mischief (2016) by Into Mischief FYR: 2021	--	1	--	1	--	--	41	7	44,500	339,068
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$25,000						Thirteen Red Flags	
7	Vino Rosso (2015) by Curlin FYR: 2021	--	1	--	1	--	--	41	5	44,000	335,660
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$20,000						Tuscan Sky	
8	Mitole (2015) by Eskendereya FYR: 2021	--	1	--	--	--	--	39	4	69,000	310,453
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$15,000						Mr Phillip	
9	Flameaway (2015) by Scat Daddy FYR: 2021	--	2	--	--	--	--	32	6	84,000	298,682
				Stands: Darby Dan Farm KY Fee: \$15,000						Northern Flame	
10	Coal Front (2014) by Stay Thirsty FYR: 2021	--	1	--	--	--	--	19	2	84,000	201,175
				Stands: Spendthrift Farm KY Fee: \$5,000						Xtreme Diva	
11	Demarchelier (GB) (2016) by Dubawi (Ire) FYR: 2021	--	1	--	--	--	--	23	6	39,000	197,802
				Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$7,500						Bandwagon	
12	Solomini (2015) by Curlin FYR: 2021	--	--	--	--	--	--	24	2	39,600	160,329
				Stands: McMahon/Saratoga Tbreeds NY Fee: \$7,500						Doc Sullivan	
13	Enticed (2015) by Medaglia d'Oro FYR: 2021	--	2	--	1	--	--	23	2	24,700	149,454
				Stands: Darley KY Fee: \$5,000						Blue Heavenly	
14	Catholic Boy (2015) by More Than Ready FYR: 2021	--	--	--	--	--	--	28	4	43,562	142,128
				Stands: Claiborne Farm KY Fee: \$10,000						Mission Ready	
15	World of Trouble (2015) by Kantharos FYR: 2021	--	1	--	--	--	--	26	3	30,250	140,064
				Stands: Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa KY Fee: \$5,000						Low Society	

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Parx Racing, \$51,200, Msw, 2-5, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11.99, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

NASTY HABIT (h, 5, Violence--Lemon Belle, by Lemon Drop Kid), a full-brother to Raise Cain, GSW, \$583,066, was fourth in his belated career debut for Spendthrift Farm and Bill Mott at Keeneland last April, and when he resurfaced seven months later for these new connections, finished second in a Laurel maiden Nov. 19. A latest third at the Maryland oval Dec. 23, the dark bay was the narrow 2-1 second choice to Castle Island (**City of Light**), who finished a half-length ahead of him last time. Forced to do the chasing from second as first-timer Hundred Grand (**Twirling Candy**) set sharp fractions, Nasty Habit began to zero in on that one inside the sixteenth pole and went on to score by 1 1/2 lengths. It was a gap of 7 3/4 lengths back to Castle Island in third. Lemon Belle, whose GI Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic-winning half-sister Unrivaled Belle (Unbridled's Song) produced two-time Eclipse Award and treble Grade I winner Unique Bella (**Tapit**), was purchased by Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds for \$285,000 with this horse in utero at Keeneland November in 2018. She is also the dam of the 3-year-old colt Frostelle (**Frosted**), a yearling colt by **Constitution** and is due to **Justify** this season. Sales history: \$125,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$550,000 2yo '21 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$50,412. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Richard Burnsworth; B-Rock Ridge Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Anthony Farrior.

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IN JAPAN:

Generale, c, 3, **Army Mule**--Raging Atlantic, by Stormy Atlantic. Kokura, 2-3, Maiden, 1000m, :58.9. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$70,950. O-Kanayama Holdings; B-Hill 'N' Dale Equine Holdings Inc & Jared Burdine (KY); T-Kenji Nonaka. *\$40,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$110,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$290,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.



HILL 'N' DALE Bred, Raised and Sold
Erika Venezia, f, 3, **Curlin**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan'

Central Valley, c, 3, **Kantharos**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan'

Awesome Result, f, 4, **Justify**. See 'US-Bred & -Sired Winners in Japan'



Saturday's Results:

11th-Kyoto, ¥42,190,000 (\$284,065), Allowance, 4yo/up, 1900m, 1:57.4, ft.

AWESOME RESULT (f, 4, Justify--Blossomed, by Deputy Minister), a maiden winner in a single juvenile appearance in 2022, was perfect in her three trips to the races last season, including a victory over 2100 metres at Tokyo Nov. 18. A touch unprepared at the break of this 4-year-old return, the bay was accordingly off a half-step slowly and was consigned to the latter third of the field for the run around the first turn. Yutaka Take slipped her some rein and asked her to improve into about midfield down the backstretch, and she sustained that rally to draw closer at the 600-meter pole. Forced to cover significant ground, Awesome Result nevertheless came to win the race a furlong from home and outslugged the SW & G1SP second favorite Hapi (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}) to remain unbeaten by 3/4 of a length while in receipt of nine pounds from the runner-up. "I did not ask her for much in the early stages and she had no problem handling the kickback," said Take. "She responded very well when we turned for home, but she lost a bit of focus when she hit the front. With only five career starts, she has lots of room for improvement." **Cont. p2**

4th-Kyoto, cont.

Gabriel Duignan's Springhouse Farm purchased the unraced Blossomed for \$425,000 in foal to Honor Code at the 2018 Keeneland November sale a few months after the mare's 2-year-old daughter Sippican Harbor (Orb, \$262,650) upset the GI Spinaway S. at Saratoga. She is also the dam of GSP Bodacious Babe (*Mineshaft*)--whose daughter Royal Spa (*Violence*) was second in the American Beauty S. Feb. 3--and Ju Taro (Arrogate), a three-time winner in Japan. Blossomed, a half-sister to Grade III winner Cinemine (Mining), is also responsible for a 2-year-old full-brother to Awesome Result. Lifetime Record: 5-5-0-0, \$459,989. **VIDEO (SC 12)**

O-Insel Racing; B-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt (KY); T-Yasutoshi Ikee.

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4th-Tokyo, ¥14,880,000 (\$100,172), Allowance, 3yo, 1400m, 1:26.7, ft.

CENTRAL VALLEY (c, 3, *Kantharos*--Indigo Gin {SW}, by Lemon Drop Kid) graduated at second asking going 1600 meters over this course in November but failed to handle a stretchout to nine furlongs when eighth at Nakayama Dec. 10. Back down in trip for this sophomore debut, the 19-10 second favorite stalked a modest tempo for the opening six furlongs, edged in front with about 100 meters to race and went on to score by a tight length. Favored George Tesoro (Jpn) (*Best Warrior*) stumbled and dislodged his rider shortly after the break. Central Valley is the first foal from a granddaughter of GISW Sharp Lisa (*Dixieland Band*), who was purchased by WinStar for \$170,000 with this colt in utero at the 2020 Keeneland November sale. Indigo Gin is also responsible for the 2-year-old colt Indigo Wind (Laoban), a yearling colt by *Improbable* and was most recently bred to the late Speightstown. Sales history: \$22,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP; \$80,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$108,714.

O-Koichiro Yamaguchi; B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Toru Kurita.



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Sunday's Results:

3rd-Kyoto, ¥10,480,000 (\$70,562), Maiden, 3yo, 1900m, 2:01.5, ft.

ERIKA VENEZIA (f, 3, *Curlin*--First Passage {GSW, \$306,144}, by Giant's Causeway), a \$370,000 Keeneland September yearling, was looking to improve off a decent first-out third going 1800 meters at Nakayama Jan. 13. The 16-5 third choice drove through at the fence to sit a midfield fourth into the first turn and more or less maintained that position down the back of the track. Angled out while hard ridden entering the final three furlongs, the blaze-faced dark bay looked to have it all to do in upper stretch, but kept grinding away four off the inside and was along in the final strides to take a four-way photo over favored Fevrier (GB) (*Sea The Stars {Ire}*). On behalf of Andrew Rosen, Hugo Merry paid \$1.2 million for future GIII Azalea S. winner First Passage at Keeneland September in 2007, and she has been productive in her second career as well, accounting for Berned (Bernardini), GSW, \$438,781; and Erika Venezia's full-sister First to Act, MGSP, \$224,660. The filly's stakes-winning second dam Win's Fair Lady (Dehere), a full-sister to MGSW/GISP Graeme Hall and half to GISW Harmony Lodge (Hennessy), also produced the dam of GISW Pinehurst (*Twirling Candy*). First Passage was most recently mated to *Good Magic*. Sales history: \$370,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$48,117.

O-Masahiro Miki; B-AR Enterprises LLC (KY); T-Tatsuya Yoshioka.

American-Bred Winners cont. p3

IN SOUTH KOREA:

Catalina Marine, c, 3, **Catalina Cruiser**--Poly One Flex, by Giant's Causeway. Busan, 2-4, Hcp. (C4), 1200m. B-St Simon Place & Scott Stephens (KY). *\$42,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$47,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$60,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. **VIDEO (SC 9)**



Power Gunju, c, 3, **Ghostzapper**--One Night, by Distorted Humor. Seoul, 2-3, Hcp. (C4), 1800m. B-David Ross (KY). *\$195,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$220,000 RNA Ylg '22 FTSAUG; \$15,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$25,000 2yo '23 FTMMAY.

VIDEO (SC 7)


America Gold, c, 3, **Preservationist**--Fizzy Pink (GB), by Singspiel (Ire). Seoul, 2-4, Hcp. (C3), 1600m. B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY). *1/2 to Omaris My Love (Exaggerator), SW-PR. **\$25,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$57,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

VIDEO (SC 8)

Gangseo Giant, f, 4, **Union Rags**--Lexington Pearl, by Elusive Quality. Busan, 2-4, Hcp. (C1), 1400m. B-Stonewall Dominion Farm (KY). *\$75,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$30,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$85,000 2yo '22 OBSJUN. **VIDEO (SC 11)**

IN PERU:

Engreidor, c, 3, **Keen Ice**--After the Applause (SP-Can, \$252,753), by Lost Soldier. Monterrico, 2-4, Maiden, 1000m. B-Hal Snowden Jr (KY). *1/2 to Like What I See (Bold Warrior), SW-Can, MSP-US, \$465,827. **\$15,000 Ylg '22 FTKJUL.

VIDEO (SC 10)**IN JAPAN:**

Modica (Aus), m, 5, **American Pharoah**--More Than Real (GSW & GISP, US, GSW-Can, \$652,051), by More Than Ready. Kokura, 2-3, Allowance, 1700m, 1:45. Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-1, \$175,711. O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Kia Ora Stud Pty Ltd (NSW); T-Koichi Ishizaka. *1/2 to Miss Debutante (Aus) (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), SW-Aus, \$135,516. **A\$260,000 Ylg '21 MMGCYS.

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Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
 261 foals of racing age/24 winners/3 black-type winners
 1-Mahoning Valley, 12:45 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Read the Room, 10-1
 \$170,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$10,000 FTJ UNE 2yo

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), Darley Japan
 164 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners
 7-Parx Racing, 2:47 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Lion in the Sun, 6-1
 \$65,000 RNA FTK JUL yrl



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5th-Golden Gate Fields, \$31,000, 2-4, (NW1\$X), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46.49, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

PRINCESA DEL TIGRE (f, 4, Smiling Tiger--Corazon de Leo, by Flame Thrower) Lifetime Record: 14-3-3-4, \$102,124. O-La Penita Racing Stable, Marc & Wright Batlin, Rebecca Donsife & Kathy Parnello; B-Roberto Gonzalez, Wright Batlin, Marc Batlin & Kathleen Parnello (CA); T-Tim McCanna.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Clancy O'Toole, c, 3, **Collected**--Silver Diva (SW, \$122,630), by Circular Quay. Parx Racing, 2-5, 1m 70y, 1:48.30. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$53,150. B-Forgotten Land Investment Inc (PA). *\$28,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$38,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

Amy's Star, f, 3, **Drill**--Stella Girl, by Bellamy Road. Mahoning Valley, 2-5, (S), 6f, 1:16.68. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$25,440. B-Louis Ruberto (OH). *Won by six lengths.

Yo Baby, f, 3, **Far From Over**--Joyously (SP), by Half Term. Golden Gate Fields, 2-4, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:06.21. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, \$28,725. B-William T Gray/Gray Farms (CA). *1/2 to Joy Boy (Tribal Rule), SW, \$477,590; Unpossible (Comic Strip), MSP, \$166,796; and Tornado Betty (Comic Strip), MSW, \$230,015.

Tiz Race Day, f, 3, **Race Day**--Tiztito, by Tiznow. Parx Racing, 2-5, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:21.71. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$36,530. B-James Lee Lawrence II & Towering Cumulus LLC (PA).

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Collected, Clancy O'Toole, c, 3, o/o Silver Diva, by Circular Quay. MSW, 2-5, Parx Racing

Drill, Amy's Star, f, 3, o/o Stella Girl, by Bellamy Road. MSW, 2-5, Mahoning Valley
Far From Over, Yo Baby, f, 3, o/o Joyously, by Half Term. MSW, 2-4, Golden Gate

Race Day, Tiz Race Day, f, 3, o/o Tiztito, by Tiznow. MCL, 2-5, Parx Racing

Smiling Tiger, Princesa Del Tigre, f, 4, o/o Corazon de Leo, by Flame Thrower. ALW, 2-4, Golden Gate

Violence, Nasty Habit, h, 5, o/o Lemon Belle, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 2-5, Parx Racing

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