

JUSTIFY AND O'BRIEN DOMINATE GUINEAS ENTRIES



City Of Troy anchors O'Brien's Guineas hopes | [Racingfotos.com](https://www.racingfotos.com)

The entries for the first two Classics of the season have been released, with 49 horses entered in each of the QIPCO 2,000 Guineas and QIPCO 1,000 Guineas.

The colts will line up at Newmarket on Saturday, May 4 when it is likely that much of the attention will focus on the unbeaten **City Of Troy (Justify)**, who at this stage is the ante-post favourite for the 2,000 Guineas. Trained by Aidan O'Brien, he has left Ireland for two of his three starts to win the G2 Superlative S. at Newmarket's July Course followed by the G1 Dewhurst S. on the Rowley Mile.

City Of Troy's stable-mate **Henry Longfellow (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), a son of the 1,000 Guineas winner Minding (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), is currently second-favourite and is one of eight entries in the race for the Ballydoyle stable. The other two Irish-trained entries are the G1 Keeneland Phoenix S. winner **Bucanero Fuerte (GB)** (Wootton Bassett {GB}), trained by Adrian Murray, and Jim Bolger's unraced **Clean Energy (Ire)** (Dawn Approach {Ire}).

The G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere winner **Rosallion (Ire)** could become an important first Classic runner for his sire Blue Point (Ire) and represents Richard Hannon Jr., who won the race 10 years ago with Night Of Thunder (Ire) and also has **Son (GB)** entered this year. [Cont. p3](#)

BENEFACTOR AND GUARDIAN: RACING'S FRIEND IN THE LEVY BOARD

If you follow Alan Delmonte on Twitter or X, or whatever they call it these days, you will know him for his offbeat sense of humour. But as chief executive of the Horserace Betting Levy Board (HBLB) for the past 11 years, he has one of the most serious jobs in British racing, overseeing the distribution of around £100m a year. Delmonte is, to some extent, the sport's Chancellor of the Exchequer, but there is an awful lot of important work going on behind the scenes at the Levy Board that make it not just racing's cash machine but also one of its staunchest guardians.

A recently published progress report on its three-year business plan shone a light on that work, and Delmonte, along with HBLB's chief finance officer Craig Pemberton, gave Emma Berry an overview. [Cont. p4](#)

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BREEDING DIGEST: ANOTHER WEEK FULL OF MISCHIEF

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Eldio breaking his maiden at Chantilly on Tuesday. The son of *Siyouni*, bred by China Horse Club, was purchased by Marco Bozzi Bloodstock from Monceaux for €250,000 at Arqana August. | Scoop Dyga

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He too is by a second-season sire in Too Darn Hot (GB). In that same category is **Sons And Lovers (GB)**, by Study Of Man (Ire), who is one of four entries for Jane Chapple-Hyam, two of which are owned by former trainer Peter Harris.

Charlie Appleby has three colts entered led by the G1 Kameko Futurity Trophy winner **Ancient Wisdom (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}) and Saaeed Bin Suuroor, who won last year's 1,000 Guineas with Mawj (GB) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}), has one of the Godolphin quartet, **Olympic Candle (Ire)** (Profitable {Ire}).

Eve Johnson Houghton has entered **Mister Sketch (GB)** (Territories {Ire}) for Wathnan Racing and the G3 Acomb S. winner **Indian Run (Ire)** (**Sioux Nation**) for the Bronte Collection, while David Menuisier has three colts entered including the G1 Criterium International winner **Sunway (Fr)** (Galiway {GB}).



Group 1 winner Fallen Angel is Guineas bound | *Racingfotos.com*

Aidan O'Brien is also the trainer of the favourite for the following day's 1,000 Guineas, **Opera Singer**. Like City Of Troy, she is by Coolmore's American-based sire and Triple Crown winner **Justify**, and she won last season's G1 Prix Marcel

Boussac.

Opera Singer is one of 16 Irish-trained fillies engaged in the race, including eight from her own stable, while Paddy Twomey could have two runners, **Purple Lily (Ire)** (**Calyx** {Ire}) and **One Look (Ire)** (**Gleneagles** {Ire}), and Natalia Lupini has her first Classic entrant in **Kitty Rose (Ire)** (Invincible Army {Ire}).

Ollie Sangster is another young trainer with a first Classic hope in **Shuwari (Ire)** (New Bay {GB}), along with Amy Murphy, the trainer of **Needlepoint (Ire)** (Blue Point {Ire}).

The G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner **Fallen Angel (GB)** is currently the leading British-trained hope and is one of two entries for her trainer Karl Burke along with **Darnation (Ire)**. [Cont. p4](#)

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Both fillies are by Too Darn Hot. Fallen Angel represents Steve Parkin's Clipper Logistics, which also has the William Haggas-trained **Love Dynasty (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}) engaged in the 1,000 Guineas.

Among the four fillies entered from the John and Thady Gosden stable is Cheveley Park Stud's Listed winner **Regal Jubilee (GB)** (Frankel {GB}).

Christopher Head is the sole French trainer with an entry and she is another daughter of **Justify**, **Ramatuelle**, who was only narrowly beaten by Vandeeck (GB) in the G1 Prix Morny.

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Racing's Friend In The Levy Board Cont. from p1

Emma Berry: Racing is facing some serious issues, including the government's proposed affordability checks on punters, which would have an impact on what you do. How are you feeling generally about the state of the racing nation at the moment?

Alan Delmonte: It's a mixed picture, as the recent update set out. And I think from a narrow levy, or financial perspective, we are not in bad shape. Although betting revenue turnover is falling, and the amount bet has fallen, which is a double

concern, bookmakers' overall profits seem relatively stable, and that is how the levy is derived.

So that has given some foreseeability and continuity. It is well known that we started the Covid pandemic with quite significant reserves, which we used about half of, but have been able to keep them at around that level. So for us, at least at the moment, it has been a relatively stable background. But we have said to the board that we do need to be cautious, because it won't be sustainable if turnover continues to fall, that bookmakers can't keep making the same amount of money out of declining turnover. And that's why the outcome of the consideration of the risk-based checks process is obviously very important to the sport as a whole, and to us, in terms of long-term security.

EB: At the top end, and even now the middle to top end, things are improving in Britain regarding prize-money. Premier Racing is a new development this year, and there is some extra money at that level. From a more personal position, a particular race won two years ago by a horse in our stable was worth £4,500 to the winner but if he won it this year, it's £3,000 to the winner. That's a 33% drop. At that lower level the pinch is going to be felt, and I wonder about how that will affect ownership numbers and field sizes. [Cont. p5](#)





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AD: That question of where to put prize-money is financially the biggest question that we have to face every year. On the assumption that we do this from one year to the next, ideally we'd like to have in a lot of these areas a multi-year strategy, not just the prize-money, but for an awful lot of things that we fund, where there is a very clear direction set with a lot of detail, and we set sail with racing on funding that for a longer period.

That doesn't generally exist, which is one of the frustrations and challenges that we have. So we will see how these fixture changes come along. They are part of a two-year trial, but we were explicit in wanting to have a one-year review point for the sort of thing that you're talking about. The board has agreed that we should run the trial, and racing's representative groups have said that it is more important, strategically, to invest more towards these top-end days.



Alan Delmonte, chief executive of the HBLB | HBLB

They made the point that the prize-money for the lower-grade races on those days will go up. It's not all money that's going into the top races at the top fixtures. One of the points that we were very keen to make sure was monitored was the effect on core racing. Racing seems to be relatively confident that the effect on those day-to-day cards would be relatively limited.

We will be doing reports for our board every quarter on what's really going on, with a view to recommending whether we can carry on with this funding structure for next year. But the overall principle has been racing's view, that your best route to growth of the sport is through maximising the profile of the bigger events.

It's an assertion rather than something that's based on hard facts and research, but we've gone with this with our eyes open, but with the need to really assess what's happening on the ground as we go along. [Cont. p6](#)

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AD: Without preempting the review, it would be an odd outcome if these changes ended up with fewer people wanting to put their money into being owners in the sport. There is nowhere in racing's plan that says the outcome that we are satisfied with is if the total number of people interested in participating in the sport goes down. So if we are seeing that - and one of the pieces won't just be the number of owners, it will be what type of owners, which type of horses are they owning - that will need some proper analysis.

EB: There is a feeling of anxiety among some breeders at the moment, and not just in this country. That could obviously have a knock-on effect on the horse population. What struck me in your report is that one of the first things you mention is improvement of the breed.

Can you explain a little more about the HBLB's involvement in the breeding sector?

AD: We have three statutory objectives, which are set out in the business plan, and the requirement is for us to spend the money on one or more of them. The board has always taken a serious view of not just spending money on what might be termed day-to-day horseracing expenditure, but also the other two, improvement of the breed and advancement of veterinary science.

We have been the principal supporter of a series of TBA-driven schemes over the past 30 years or more, with the breeders' prize scheme, and over the last 10 years on Plus 10 and on MOPS, the Elite Mares Scheme that we continue to fund, and now GBB [Great British Bonus], which we provide three-quarters of the funding for. These things are all designed to provide incentive and upwardly-mobile ownership and rewards. We try to get that mix of short-term funding for things like prize-money and regulation, and then the longer-term investment in other areas.

Craig Pemberton: One thing we've done fairly recently was a confidential survey. Around 200 stakeholders were invited to

give an opinion on how well we were doing against our own purpose and vision, and it scored well. Relatively lower was the breeding area of what we do. So the board's actions, from having conducted that survey, are that we will make more prominent what we do around breeding.

We spend £2 million-plus on research in the veterinary science and education spheres each year. We will publish some of the research that comes out of that, and make links to those projects. Some of these things are very slow burns over multiple years.

EB: I suppose it's always a balance, deciding whether that £2 million should be going into prize-money when we all know what impact a sudden outbreak of a contagious disease can have. It could bring racing to a standstill...



Premier Racedays are a new initiative that the HBLB is helping finance
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AD: We were one of the main funders of the work that the Animal Health Trust did, and then worked very hard to try to see whether there was a route to survival for the AHT. But the view that the board came to in the end was that what the sport had to focus on was the preservation of the services that were being provided.

We set up the process to ensure the continuity of AHT people that were related to racing. We oversaw the tender process that has seen Rossdale's and

Cambridge University take on the functions that were previously carried out by AHT. And those organisations now work under contract, effectively, to the sport, but through us.

And I think that is a good example of where people probably just think things happen, but these extracurricular things do sometimes occur, and it did require quite a lot of extra time and resource to get that over the line. But that's not to say it was all us. Sometimes in these areas there are things that the Levy Board runs itself, and other times, it's a much more collaborative effort.

We work with the ROA and TBA as co-funders of these services, and through the BHA. So it does go on behind the scenes to some extent, but there is quite a lot of thinking that goes on about a disease prevention plan. **Cont. p7**



Craig Pemberton is the chief finance officer of the HBLB | HBLB

Racing's Friend In The Levy Board Cont.

AD: It was absolutely essential that the continuity of service was maintained. Obviously it was a great shame that the AHT, as an institution that was supported for 40 years, couldn't go on, but in the end, the bullet had to be bitten. And the priority became, 'Well, how is the sport going to get its disease surveillance and diagnostic service done elsewhere?'

And we've ended up with a more transparent process that has clearer reporting, clearer measurement about who's doing what, and our own committee that we chair, that monitors how those two institutions are doing against the contract.

EB: Are you still able to enjoy going racing? Or do you get ground down by all the politics of it all?

AD: I do, very much so. I don't even find that difficult to say. I think it's still the sport that gets my heart racing, just the way it always has. Work is work, and then the pleasure of seeing the horses actually racing is a different thing, and that's something that I think will always be absolutely at the core of my love of the sport. I'm just incredibly fortunate to be able to do something that's in the sport, but also to be involved in a job and an organisation that covers such a wide range of bases.

CP: I'm just in my fifth year [at the HBLB], and part of the motivation for joining was that I was really interested in the sector. Previously I'd worked at the construction industry training board, another levy organisation, getting apprentices into construction. It was principally about young people and life chances, and that struck me as having a very big parallel with racing.

The CFO role is not just about the numbers, it's a lot more than that. If you can do the role and try and bring some balance and

help, particularly for young people, that was part of the motivation for me, as well as finding out about a new sport and a new sector. And it's probably the most complex group ecosystem I've ever come across, but therein lies the challenge, of getting a lot of stakeholders to agree on what can get done, the AHT being a fantastic example. That was literally in my first few months here, and then we had Covid. So it was an interesting start.

EB: It's been a time of fighting plenty of fires, but the cyclical nature of racing and breeding means there's always something to look forward to, albeit in what is a tempestuous business at times.

AD: It's not a job where you can sit there, just making judgements and decisions, and then never having to see anyone again. It is by its nature an environment where you are, in a sense, always accountable for what you're doing, because you're seeing people quite a lot of the time all around the place. You've just got to accept that there is a lot of to-ing and fro-ing with the stakeholders. Yes, we want to try and be clear and open about how we're going to make decisions, or why we've said yes, or why we've said no. But part of that process is an ongoing dialogue.

It's obviously a very fragmented structure, but that structure does manage to come together every day to produce racing at racecourses, and it produces a breeding operation, and all the other infrastructure. So it works. It may not be perfect, but I don't think it's realistic for anyone to keep blaming the structure for things not being done. You just have to work with what you've got, and try and find a way through. [Cont. p8](#)



The HBLB is a supporter of the breeding sector of the UK industry

Emma Berry

Racing's Friend In The Levy Board Cont.

EB: And while acknowledging those pressures, do you feel that it's still aspirational for people from various parts of the world to race and breed in Britain?

AD: It is for that reason, to go back to the Premier Racing point, that we absolutely get that part of what makes British racing what it is. It's not the perception of quality, but the reality of quality that is matched by the people perceiving it.

We want to be encouraging the sport where we can, to take Craig's point, to provide the most professional positive environment for people to come into the sport and work in. We're very supportive of the initiatives that racing has put in place around code of conduct, and all these other associated positive developments that should be necessary in a modern industry.

EB: The Levy Board has been in existence since the 1960s, and at one stage it looked like it would be discontinued. What's the situation now?

AD: There are no plans to abolish the Levy Board. There have been a few attempts over the years. Probably the closest one to abolition was the most recent one, which would have culminated in 2019. The fundamental point there, which is my summary rather than anyone else's, is that if you are going to have a statutory levy, which we do based on an act of parliament, then parliament wants to see that there is a public body accountable for that levy.

And what would have happened under the proposed arrangement was that the responsibility for the levy would have passed over to a private sector racing body. And when push came to shove, parliament wasn't satisfied that that gave the necessary oversight. So maybe a way will be found, or somebody will have the desire to revisit it again and find a way through that. But at the moment, here we are five years on from non-abolition, we have got on with modernising what we do, getting our own systems and processes up to going concern standards, and we are not thinking at all about anything other than long-term continuity.

One thing I'd say about the business plan and the update is that a lot of the things in there have been generated by the Levy Board. They are designed by us, but what we would ideally like to see is the equivalent of those produced by racing so that racing has its own clear aims, objectives, targets, measurements for the sport, over a period of time.

Ideally, our measures become racing's measures. Racing's strategy has been announced as something that will be produced, and the first fruit of that was the 2024 fixture

programme. But there are all of these other major areas where we're expecting that there will be a very detailed underpinning strategy and ideally an overarching piece of work that says, 'This is what it all means for the sport.'

It's not easy, but that's what BHA, on behalf of the sport, committed themselves to doing in 2022. And if we can get to a position where we're all working on the same major objectives, which are very transparent, it should help everybody be clear about where the direction of travel is.

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ALL-TIME RECORD HIGH OF €3 MILLION FOR IRISH EBF SPONSORSHIP



King Cuan winning last year's Irish EBF Auction Series Final | *Inpho*

A total of €3 million will be added to the prize-money of Irish races in 2024 by the Irish European Breeders' Fund (Irish EBF), an all-time record high and bringing the Irish EBF's overall contribution since it was founded in 1983 to over €60 million.

Almost 500 races, both Flat and National Hunt, will carry EBF conditions in 2024. A new addition to the calendar this year is the €330,000 3YO Spring Series, with the €200,000 Irish Stallion Farms EBF Gowran Classic as its showpiece.

The considerable spend of €3 million has also allowed the Irish EBF to underwrite all two-year-old EBF maiden races with €18,000 of minimum prize-money and all EBF maiden hurdles and beginners chases with a €15,000 minimum prize-fund. This complements the 2023 announcement where all Listed races are worth a minimum of €40,000 and all fillies' Listed races are worth a minimum of €50,000. [Cont. p9](#)

Record High EBF Sponsorship Cont.

The Irish EBF Auction Series and the Median Sires Series continue with €1.7 million of prize-money on offer to two-year-olds. The Irish EBF Ballyhane S. is worth €300,000 alone, while the Irish EBF Auction Series Final has a total prize-fund of €120,000.

National Hunt support continues with about 50% of the National Hunt allocation targeted at mares' chases, hurdle and bumper races. Irish EBF will also continue to back the Connolly's Red Mills Irish EBF Auction Hurdle Series, worth nearly €400,000 with 16 qualifying races and a €75,000 final at the Punchestown Festival which is backed up by the Irish EBF Auction Bumper Series with six races worth €15,000 each over the season.

Joe Foley, Irish EBF chairman, said, "The Irish EBF governors are delighted to announce another record contribution to Irish prize-money for the 2024 racing year. This will allow us to continue our normal sponsorship programme spanning almost 500 races but also to add extra support in many areas.

"All Irish EBF two-year-olds maidens carrying a minimum €18,000 prize-money is a significant achievement but other areas such as Listed races, maiden hurdles, beginners chases and the exciting new 3YO Spring Series, which culminates in the €200,000 Irish Stallion Farms Gowran Classic, will benefit from our increased spend.

"We look forward to seeing the 3YO Spring Series for middle distance horses grow and develop and hope that it becomes as successful and popular as our 2YO series; the Irish EBF Auction Series and the Irish EBF Median Sires Series. As ever, this record contribution would not be possible without the unanimous support and funding from Irish stallion owners, so immense thanks is due to them."

Jonathan Mullin, director of racing at Horse Racing Ireland (HRI), added, "The Irish EBF has long been the largest sponsor of Irish racing and HRI is hugely appreciative of their long-standing investment, which is underpinned by voluntary contributions from stallion farms all over Ireland.

"The commitment of €3 million towards prize-money includes a key project in 2024: the first year of targeted support for later developing middle distance horses. This initiative is the latest in over 40 years of dedicated support from the EBF and for that we thank them sincerely."

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DIVERSE CATALOGUE OF JUVENILES FOR OSARUS LA TESTE BREEZE-UP SALE

A total of 83 juveniles have been entered in the Osarus La Teste Breeze-Up Sale [catalogue](#) which was released on Tuesday.

Past graduates of the sale include G2 Prix de Malleret winner Rue Boissonade (Fr) (Seabhac). Set for Apr. 10 with the breezes

the day prior, the sale contains 2-year-olds by 60 sires like Almanzor (Fr), Charm Spirit (Ire), Galileo Gold (GB), Galiway (GB), Havana Gold (Ire), Kodi Bear (Ire), Le Havre (Ire), Make Believe (GB), Mehmas (Ire), Profitable (Ire), **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**, Territories (Ire), and **Zarak (Fr)**. There is also ample representation from younger sires like Blue Point (Ire), **Calyx (GB)**, and Study Of Man (Ire), and sires with their first juveniles-- **Arizona (Ire)**, Circus Maximus (Ire), Far Above (Ire), Hello Youmzain (Fr), Sands Of Mali (Fr), Shaman (Ire), Threat (Ire) and Wooded (Ire).

Some lots of note include a Shaman half-sister to Group 1-placed Felix (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) (Lot 54); Nuit d'Ivresse (Fr) (Henrythenavigator)'s Galiway filly (lot 66); a **Zarak** colt who is a relative of **Erevann (Fr)** (Dubawi {Ire}); lot 26, a **Zarak** filly out of the Group 2-placed Corporate Queen (Colonel John); a Blue Point filly (lot 40) who is kin to **Camelot (GB)**; and lot 55, a filly by Almanzor and from the family of Group 1 winner Alterite (Fr) (Literato {Fr}).

The breezes will take place at 2 p.m. local time on Apr. 9 and be streamed on the [Osarus website](#). The sale begins at 4:30 p.m. French time the day after.

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A 2-year-old breezes at La Teste | Osarus

RAMPAL NAMED TATTERSALLS REPRESENTATIVE IN INDIA

Gaurav Rampal has been appointed as the Tattersalls representative in India, the sales company announced on Tuesday.

Firmly established as a leading bloodstock agent in India, Rampal has a client base which includes Dr Cyrus Poonawalla--who now stands Richard Hannon's multiple Group 2 winner Chindit (Ire) (**Wootton Bassett {GB}**) at his Poonawalla Stud--plus Khushroo Dhunjibhoy and Shyam Ruia, both of whom have also been big buyers abroad. [Cont. p10](#)



Gaurav Rampal | Tattersalls

Rampal Joins Tattersalls Cont.

Rampal, who had previously received an education in European bloodstock from Anthony Stroud, Ted Voute and James Underwood, covers all aspects of bloodstock consultancy work and also acts as an auctioneer and shipping agent.

Edward Mahony, Tattersalls chairman, said, "Gaurav is a great addition to the Tattersalls team of overseas representatives and his appointment demonstrates the importance we place on promoting Tattersalls and particularly the December Mares Sale throughout India.

"Well-known and hugely respected in the Indian racing and bloodstock industry, Gaurav brings a wealth of experience to the role and his knowledge and extensive contacts in India will be invaluable as we look to promote all Tattersalls sales to as wide an international audience as possible."

Rampal, who has an MBA in Marketing and Finance, added, "Tattersalls and the December Mares Sale have played hugely important roles in the development of the Indian thoroughbred, and the victories of recent Indian Derby and Oaks winners Enabler and Jendayi, both out of mares purchased at the Tattersalls December Mares Sale, bear testament to that.

"Tattersalls is widely regarded as the European market-leader with a reputation for outstanding customer service and I am thrilled to be joining the Tattersalls team and looking forward to encouraging even more Indian buyers to visit Tattersalls."

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TRIO OF DARLEY STALLIONS REPORTED TO HAVE FIRST MARES IN FOAL

Darley newcomers **Modern Games (Ire)**, **Native Trail (GB)** and **Triple Time (Ire)** have all had their first mares scanned in foal, the operation announced on Tuesday.

Dalham Hall Stud resident Modern Games won five races at

the top level for Charlie Appleby, notably winning at the Breeders' Cup in successive years when landing the Juvenile Turf in 2021 and Mile in 2022. Modern Games is reported to have four mares in foal, including George Strawbridge's G1 Prix Royal-Oak winner Montare (Ire) (Montjeu {GB}), already the dam of three talented performers by Dubawi (Ire)--who is also the sire of Modern Games--namely Journey (GB), Indigo Girl (GB) and Mimiky (GB).

Triple Time, who enjoyed his biggest success when winning last year's G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot, is also standing his first season at Dalham Hall in 2024 at a fee of £10,000. G2 Lancashire Oaks winner Emirates Queen (GB), a half-sister to Dubawi by Street Cry (Ire), is among the first mares covered by Triple Time to be scanned in foal. Emirates Queen's most notable progeny so far is the multiple Listed winner/Group 1-placed Royal Champion (Ire) (Shamardal).

Over in Ireland, Native Trail is new to Kildangan Stud for 2024 following a racing career which saw him crowned Europe's leading two-year-old in 2021 before going on to win the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas at three. The early mares in foal to him include Woodford Farm's Amore Bello (Ire) (**Bated Breath {GB}**), a half-sister to the GIII Miesque S. winner More Than Love (More Than Ready) and from the family of the four-time Group 1 heroine Alcohol Free (Ire) (**No Nay Never**).

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BRITAIN

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Southwell, £11,400, Nov, 3-5, 4yo/up, 12f 14y (AWT), 2:37.45, st.

CANNON ROCK (GB) (g, 4, Fastnet Rock {Aus}--Fintry {Ire} {MGSW-Fr, GSW & G1SP-Eng, \$327,127}, by Shamardal)

Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$13,914. O-Paul Platten & Partners; B-Godolphin (GB); T-James Owen. *16,000gns 3yo '23 TATHRA. **1/2 to One Ruler (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-UAE, \$170,214.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Moonstone Boy (Ire), g, 3, Calyx (GB)--Star Fire (GB), by Dark Angel (Ire). Southwell, 3-5, 4f 214y (AWT), :59.02. Lifetime Record: 6-1-4-1, \$35,482. B-GCE Farm Ltd (IRE). *23,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE; £39,000 RNA Ylg '22 GOFFUK.

FRANCE

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Chantilly, €27,000, Mdn, 3-5, 3yo, c/g, 8f (AWT), 1:37.17, st.

ELDIO (IRE) (c, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--C'Est Ca {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}), a Feb. 9 debut runner-up over course and distance in his only prior start, broke sharply from the outside gate and stalked the pace in second for the most part. Shaken up to launch his challenge passing the quarter-mile marker, the 2-1 favourite inched ahead with 300 metres remaining and kept on well to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Agualeta (Fr) (Recoletos {Fr}). Eldio, full to a 2-year-old colt, is the second of three foals and first scorer produced by a full-sister to Listed Naas Oaks Trial victrix Key To My Heart (Ire) and the stakes-placed Cole Porter (Ire). The January-foaled chestnut's dam, herself a daughter of GI Frizette S. heroine A Z Warrior (Bernardini), is also kin to Listed Ellis Park Debutante S. Justa Warrior (Justify). Sales history: €250,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €18,900.

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O-Haras Assiro; B-China Horse Club International (IRE); T-Christopher Head.

4th-Chantilly, €27,000, Mdn, 3-5, 3yo, f, 8f (AWT), 1:38.65, st.

AROUND THE WORLD (FR) (f, 3, Almanzor {Fr}--Daidahana {GB}, by Shamardal), third over course and distance in her Feb. 9 debut last time, found a smooth rhythm behind the leaders in fifth after a slick exit. Easing closer once into the home straight, the 49-10 third choice angled into a clear lane approaching the furlong pole and was pushed out late to deny Vera Cao (GB) (Sea

The Moon {Ger}) by 2 1/2 lengths. Around The World is the latest of five foals and first scorer out of a half-sister to G1 Cheveley Park S. victrix Carry On Katie (Fasliyev), herself the dam of G3 Sirenia S. runner-up Vocational (Exceed And Excel {Aus}). The March-foaled bay hails from the family of G1 Prix Saint-Alary winner Grise Mine (Fr) (Crystal Palace {Fr}), GI Beverly D, GI Yellow Ribbon Invitational and GI Santa Barbara H. heroine Kostroma (Ire) (Caerleon) and GI Santa Anita Oaks victrix Ariege (Doneraile Court). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €17,550. **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Ecurie Jeffroy & Ecurie Castillon Bloodstock; B-Ecurie de Castillon & SCEA des Prairies (FR); T-Xavier Blanchet.



Around The World skips home a winner at Chantilly | Scoop Dyga

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Chantilly, €19,000, Cond, 3-5, 4yo/up, 10 1/2f (AWT), 2:13.39, st.

ETHION (IRE) (g, 6, Gutaifan {Ire}--Sakarya {Ire}, by Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 42-8-8-5, €108,020.

O-Christian Trecco, Frederic Dezzutto, Laurent Lefevre & Mme Jeanne Mary Fieldhouse; B-Linacre House Ltd & Haras du Mont Dit Mont (IRE); T-Mathieu Pitart. *26,000gns RNA Wlg '18 TATFOA; €35,000 Ylg '19 ARQAUG.

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BREEDING DIGEST: ANOTHER WEEK FULL OF MISCHIEF



Into Mischief | *David Coyle*

by Chris McGrath

The racing year is only just doing up its laces, but already Into Mischief is on the march. Last week, we examined the GI Kentucky Derby candidature of his son Timberlake and now, with a little help from the evergreen Frankie Dettori, he has a 19th Grade I scorer in Newgate. I must admit that my heart went out to connections of Subsanador (Arg) (Fortify), who led every step bar the last, and would have been John Sadler's fourth winner of the storied Santa Anita H.--still dearly cherished by some of us, outflanked as it has been--in seven years. While the modern booty plundered in the desert by a son of the venerable **Mineshaft** is temporarily distorting his latest title defense, the opening skirmishes of 2024 have already seen Into Mischief overtake **Medaglia d'Oro** in the all-time earnings table.

He now stands cents shy of \$170 million with only Giant's Causeway (\$178 million) dividing him from **Tapit** (\$204.5 million). The latter obviously has much unfinished business--and we fervently hope that he can still come up with the Derby winner he so deserves--but the industrial model at Spendthrift means that Into Mischief is about to overtake **Tapit's** aggregate of lifetime starters, from four fewer crops. And, as often remarked, he's only lately started to bring his elite mares into play. **Cont. p3**

HISA, HIWU OPEN INVESTIGATION INTO UK LAB *by Dan Ross*

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) and Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU) have opened an investigation into the University of Kentucky's Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory's performance, according to a joint statement Tuesday by the agencies.

On the 16th of last month, HIWU stopped sending samples to the UK Lab. Prior to that, the laboratory had been one of six drug testing facilities used under HISA's anti-doping and medication control (ADMC) program.

Last week, Scott Stanley officially stepped down from his position as the UK Lab's director and has been reassigned within the university.

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JUSTIFY AND O'BRIEN DOMINATE GUINEAS ENTRIES

The entries for the G1 QIPCO 2000 and G1 QIPCO 1000 Guineas were released on Tuesday, with the stallion **Justify** and trainer Aidan O'Brien taking centre stage.

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Champion and MGIW Ce Ce (Elusive Quality) delivered her first foal, a filly by *Constitution*, on Feb. 3. The filly is pictured last month. | Mary Wilder/Columbiana Farm

DEAN HOPES NEW APPROACH YIELDS GAINS AT OBS 10

Jon Dean will try to keep up the momentum going with a pair of juveniles on offer at next week's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March 2-year-old in Training Sale.

ORI CONFERENCE WRAPS UP 13

The second day of the Organization of Racing Investigators Conference included a variety of legal and scientific case studies in addition to the impact of bush track racing.

LOUIS LEE HAGGIN III DIES 14

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Newgate himself was conceived at \$150,000, but made that investment pay for Town and Country Farms, besides the \$360,000 they gave for his graded stakes-placed dam Majestic Presence (Majestic Warrior) at the 2017 November Sale, already amply defrayed by the **Runhappy** foal she was carrying there and a couple of others when realizing \$850,000 as a Keeneland September yearling. The same farm gave us Adare Manor (**Uncle Mo**), who similarly made her Grade I breakthrough in her third campaign for Baffert, so they can take credit for raising horses that persevere. (Majestic Presence, incidentally, was returned to Into Mischief to produce the \$500,000 yearling **Denim and Pearls**, who won her first two and has now run second in consecutive stakes.)



Newgate | Benoit

Life is hard enough for rival sires without Into Mischief again enlisting Dettori to clinch another narrow verdict in the Gil San Felipe S. through Imagination. This colt is yet another tribute to Peter Blum's patient curation of a dynasty tracing to his foundation mare, Mono (Better Self), identified as a priceless conduit of King Ranch blood way back in 1975.

Mono was out of a sister to 1946 Triple Crown winner Assault, from the family of Man o' War himself. But she was actually being sold from the estate of the King Ranch farm manager, and had duly been confined to less expensive covers. The young Blum noticed that she had nevertheless produced good runners, and vowed that he would not leave the Keeneland January Sale without her. He'll never know where he might have stopped, but was able to do so at \$17,500. Blum, of course, has in recent years bred a Horse of the Year.

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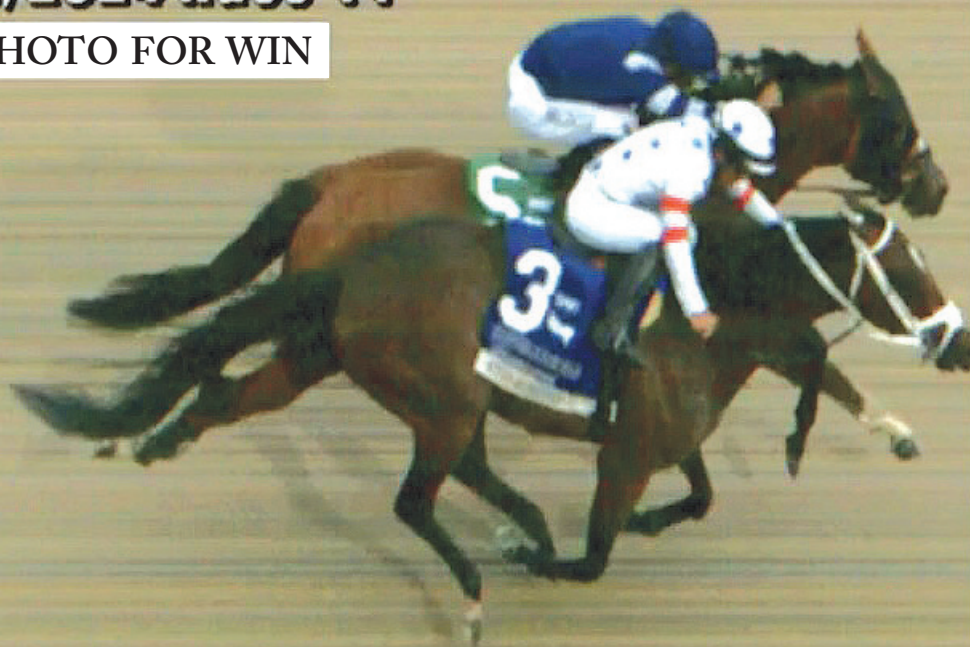
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But Authentic came from a rather younger line in his program, and possibly he's deriving no less satisfaction from the emergence of Imagination at a time when GI Preakness winner National Treasure (**Quality Road**) is also consolidating his own reputation. For both trace to Mono's daughter Mine Only.

Blum's first choice of mate for Mono had been an unproven Florida sire named Mr. Prospector. When the resulting colt won on debut at Del Mar, he resolved to send her back to the stallion at his new base at Claiborne. Their second tryst produced Mine Only, who won no more than a maiden but set a pattern for this family by proving a much better producer. Her three graded stakes scorers (all on turf) included Good Mood (Devil's Bag), who won the GIII Miss Grillo S. and is third dam of Imagination.

Before that, Mine Only had already produced a daughter by Secretariat, Chosen Lady, who failed to win but produced not only GI Ashland winner Well Chosen (Deputy Minister) but also the third dam of National Treasure.



National Treasure | *Adam Coglianese*

So while Blum always emphasizes the help he gets from the likes of Doug Cauthen and Bridie Harrison, he must accept the compliment implied to his own patient stewardship by the elite investors who target his program at the sales.

National Treasure made \$500,000 at Saratoga, and Imagination \$1.05 million at Keeneland September. The latter sum partly reflected the Grade II sprint success of his dam Magical Feeling (Empire Maker), who has always been given nothing but the best: she had four foals by **Tapit** before more recently being sent to Into Mischief and producing first Occult, sold as a yearling for \$625,000 before winning the GIII Monmouth Oaks last year; and now Imagination. Yes, Nysos (**Nyquist**) was the specter at this particular feast. But even the supporting roles on this circuit demand real caliber, and it might not require that much more Imagination to aspire to the mature deeds of National Treasure or Newgate this time next year.



Mage Page Paying Many a Wage

Let's not get too glum about these sophomores. After all, most enter their single year of Classic eligibility as little more than gawky adolescents. In fact, however diffident a crop they may seem for now, recent history suggests that there's probably a Horse of the Year lurking among them somewhere.

At this stage of his career, **Cody's Wish** remained unraced and he would only break his maiden, at the fourth attempt, in October. **Flightline** was also weeks short of his debut. **Knicks Go** had admittedly established his caliber at two, but at this point was bombing out in the GIII Sam F. Davis and then the GIII Gotham. All three, of course, would only achieve their peak with age. But this time last year even the horse that went on to win the GI Kentucky Derby had just been beaten seven lengths in the GII Fountain of Youth S.



Puca | Keeneland

The success of his full-brother Dornoch (**Good Magic**) in the same race last weekend has elicited some faint praise, thanks to the decimation of the field, but the fact remains that he's far more seasoned than was **Mage** at this stage. True, the latter was duly on a steeper curve of improvement, but whatever happens John Stewart can be gratified that his \$2.9 million investment in their dam Puca (Big Brown) at Keeneland last November has stood up to both its first big tests, in the GII Remsen S. and now here. Just like **Mage**, Dornoch is advertising the expert grounding he received at storied Runnymede Farm, which raised and then consigned both colts on behalf of breeders Grandview Equine.

Mage proved a fairly marginal pinhook (\$235,000 to \$290,000) when resold at two, but events in the meantime make the extra investment on Dornoch at the Keeneland September Sale (\$325,000 from Oracle Bloodstock) look pretty inspired. Those supporting **Mage** in his first year at stud, meanwhile, must be feeling similarly comforted by the way his page is evolving.



THE YEARLING SALE



Remember that Puca is a half-sister to a Grade I winner on turf, Finnegan's Weake (Powerscourt {GB}); was herself runner-up in the GII Gazelle S.; while her only previous foal—the **Gun Runner** filly she was carrying when acquired by Grandview for \$475,000 at Fasig-Tipton in November 2018—was herself twice stakes-placed. Not least granted the parallel strides since made by her rookie sire, what a stroke of luck for Grandview that she failed to meet her reserve as a yearling!

By the time Puca sent her son by **McKinzie** into the Keeneland ring last September, her genetic wares were sufficiently known for Mayberry Farms to have to go to \$1.2 million. Yet only that January, Puca's own dam Boat's Ghost (Silver Ghost) had been discarded in the same ring, in foal to **Raging Bull (Fr)**, for just \$17,000. That indignity, at the age of 19, was redressed by finding herself on a peerless farm of its type, Nursery Place, where she safely delivered a filly, apparently a good specimen too; and was then given a typically astute covering in **Hard Spun**.

Lonesome Days Long Forgotten for Pounce



Pounce | Adam Coglianese

Another interesting mare in **Hard Spun**'s book last year was Bouncy (**Twirling Candy**), whose daughter Pounce (Lookin At Lucky) won the GIII Herecomesthebride S. at Gulfstream last weekend. In fact, if you ever needed a cross-section of our community to offer its most considered judgement, you could do worse than simply consult those breeders using **Hard Spun**. In an environment so childishly prey to fashion, those sticking with the Darley stalwart instead prize proven value in the last commercially accessible son of his breed-shaping sire.

Those who sent him Bouncy have four resonant surnames: Pounce's breeders are registered as Bell, Rankin, VanMeter and Hancock. From these familiar clans, it turns out we are dealing respectively with Gatewood, Hunter, Ike and, "the rose among thorns," Lynn.

One or two of them have evidently followed Bouncy from the outset, though along the way she also appears to have caught the attention of a couple of Texas rangers.

Bred and raised by the Hancock family's Stone Farm, she was pinhooked as a \$85,000 yearling by Bell's Cromwell Bloodstock Agency; made \$170,000 from "Augustus McRae" at OBS the following April; showed plenty of ability in both her starts in the silks of Augustin Stables, winning on debut at Keeneland before a close second to a stakes winner at Belmont; and was then picked up by "Joshua Deets" for just \$37,000 in the Covid market of the 2020 Keeneland November Sale.


At that point Bouncy was pregnant to a maiden cover by Lookin At Lucky, an excellent choice to prove a mare despite his appalling treatment by the commercial market. That came at an initial cost, in that Pounce was a \$20,000 RNA at the Keeneland September Sale-but in the long run it has paid off handsomely. For she had caught Mark Casse's eye in the back ring.

"When she didn't sell, we approached Mark to work out a deal so we could make sure she got into good hands," Hancock explains. "And we are fortunate that she did! He trained her up to a certain level, to acquire interest in the filly, and we were partners from there on out. We are very appreciative of Mark for taking a chance on her and obviously he has done a spectacular job."

Yes, he has: Pounce won on debut at Churchill in November and again at Turfway in February, after which she topped Fasig-Tipton's Digital Sale at \$370,000 from Resolute Bloodstock.

As with Puca, noted above, John Stewart has been quickly vindicated in a bold investment with Pounce's graded success at Gulfstream, still for the Casse barn, coming just 11 days later. Hancock says that Bouncy has now delivered a "lovely" **Hard Spun** filly, but the gang is still debating-or maybe we should say bouncing around-her next cover. Maybe they should ask Woodrow Call what he thinks...

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Dr. Scott Stanley | Stonestreet

HISA and HIWU are also cooperating with the university’s own investigation into the matter, according to Tuesday’s joint statement.

“On Tuesday, February 13, leadership from HISA, HIWU, and the University of Kentucky met in person to discuss concerns with the performance of the University of Kentucky Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory (UK Lab),” reads to the joint statement.

“At this time, HISA and HIWU were informed by the university that it was conducting an ongoing personnel investigation relating to Dr. Scott Stanley, the director of the UK Lab, and Dr. Stanley was not permitted to be in direct communication with the other staff at the laboratory,” the joint statement read. “The university also expressed staffing concerns related to the laboratory’s operations.”

It is currently unclear, however, what the specific nature of the investigations entail.

Earlier on Tuesday, Stanley told the TDN that he stepped down from the position in part due to delayed turnaround times of samples, issues with the chain of custody handling of samples, along with communication issues with HIWU.

“There were ongoing communication problems, getting data from the client and communicating results back,” Stanley said, about the UK lab’s working relationship with HIWU.

According to Stanley, HIWU stopped sending samples to the UK Lab with no prior notification given.

In a statement, a university spokesperson wrote that Stanley remains a member of the UK faculty and that his position has been reassigned for him to “expand the scope of his research program and focus on industry priorities.”

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The spokesperson added, “We are moving quickly to name an interim director as part of our commitment to the important work conducted at the lab. During this interim period, we have taken the appropriate steps to refer samples to other equipped laboratories for a complete analysis.

“We will, in the near future, announce plans for how we will search for a permanent director. Our commitment is to provide outstanding service on behalf of the horse industry. That commitment is something we are continually striving to honor.”

According to Stanley, the UK lab handled roughly 800 blood and 800 urine post-race samples a month, and approximately 600 additional blood samples monthly, associated with TCO₂, vets’ list and out-of-competition testing.

Since Feb. 16, all samples collected in Kentucky and Florida that previously would have been analyzed by the UK Lab have been redirected to Industrial Laboratories in Colorado “indefinitely,” according to HISA and HIWU’s joint statement.

“Going forward, HISA and HIWU are fully confident in the ability of Industrial Laboratories to handle the increased volume of samples and ensure that all samples are processed and analyzed in compliance with the ADMC Program,” the statement read.

These developments mark the latest twist in HISA’s efforts to build an efficient and uniform drug testing program from a previously fractured lab testing environment.

The **TDN reported last year** that a variety of differences between the laboratories--from different testing equipment to different testing methodologies to different sets of staff interpreting the results--mean that they screen for different numbers of substances, and have varying abilities to screen for the same substances, outside of some 300 core analytes.

“HISA and HIWU remain steadfast in our commitment to promoting the highest levels of safety, integrity, and welfare in Thoroughbred racing. As part of this commitment, we continually evaluate our partner laboratories through an external quality assurance program, as well as internal assessments,” their joint statement read, on Tuesday.

“For the benefit of all human and equine stakeholders, laboratories who fail to satisfy our requirements will be removed from service in the ADMC Program.”

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DEAN HOPES NEW APPROACH YIELDS GAINS

AT OBS *by Jessica Martini*



Hip 571 | Sandy Madison

Jon Dean grew up in Michigan, but moved to Central Florida as a high school senior, and now, as an Ocala-based attorney, his path seemed to inevitably lead to Thoroughbreds. But, after a series of lackluster results in the industry, he decided he needed to recalibrate his business plan three years ago. The result was two years of profitable pinhooks and Dean will be hoping to keep the momentum going when he sends a pair of juveniles through the sales ring next week at the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale. He will offer another two colts at the company's April sale next month.

"My brother Ed and I practiced law together starting back when I graduated law school in '87 and then we bought a 320-acre farm here in Marion County and we raise Angus cattle on it," Dean said. "But you know the farming business is quite expensive to get into and quite expensive to maintain, so we had to become lawyers in order to afford to be farmers.

"Later on, I had a client who had a few Thoroughbreds. We ended up at OBS watching the sale and all of a sudden I found myself throwing my hand up in the air and buying a horse. My friend asked what I was doing and I said, 'I don't know. He was a good-looking horse.' I wanted to see if we could do something."

That initial purchase led to several more, but the money seemed to be moving all in one direction and it was always out, never in. "I started playing around with horses a little bit, but we never had any success really," Dean said. "But I kind of liked it. I got up a bit heavy to about 30 horses at one time and my wife said, 'You're an idiot. You're wasting all your money.' Most people keep doing the same thing over and over until they go broke. Fortunately, the good Lord has blessed me with a good law practice, so I haven't gone broke, but it's not been real profitable."



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So three years ago, Dean decided to tweak his process. Rather than trying to find bargains in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 range at the yearling sales, he would focus on better pedigrees and higher quality.

“It was just barely making any money and if you aren’t making any money at it, then pretty soon your wife is going to not be happy and call you an idiot,” he explained. “I decided to change the strategy. So now we try to buy better quality yearlings and maybe a couple of weanlings that we thought came from more-than-average--maybe even a few exceptional--sires. And spend some more money on the yearlings and the weanlings to see if we could make it profitable. Because the training costs are the same, whether you are training a three-legged horse or a four-legged horse. You might as well increase your cost and get a better quality horse with the expectation that you might sell for a higher price. So we did that two years ago and we made a profit. We did it again last year and made a profit. And we are trying it again this year.”

Dean went to \$250,000 to acquire a colt by **Twirling Candy** at last year’s Keeneland September sale and, while the youngster was catalogued as **hip 140** with Ciaran Dunne’s Wavertree Stables at next week’s March sale, he will instead wait for the April sale.

“That was the one we paid the most for at the yearling sales, so I have high hopes for him,” Dean said. “But Ciaran said he would do better in the April sale.”

On behalf of Dean, Wavertree will consign a colt by **Vino Rosso** (**hip 571**) at the March sale. Out of **Queenie’s Pride** (Special Rate), the chestnut is a half-brother to graded-placed **Joy’s Rocket** (Anthony’s Cross). He was a \$95,000 purchase last September at Keeneland.

“He checked all of the boxes,” Dean said of the colt’s appeal last fall. “He didn’t have any issues with the vet. He looked good and he has a solid family. He was in our budget and fit the perfect mold of what we want to do--to move up a little bit in quality of the stallion and pay a little more for a yearling.”

Dean was also drawn to the colt’s young sire, who was represented last Sunday by GII San Felipe S. runner-up **Wine Me Up**.

“If you have a young sire who is also having 3 and 4-year-olds that are coming on and they are starting to build a record as a good stallion, that helps,” he said. “The older stallions that are at the twilight of their careers, they can still provide quality horses, but they don’t have the appeal that some horse buyers are looking for. They want to get the fresh young stallion that is really coming on and really going to shine. That’s the bright shiny penny that gets all the attention.”

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Through the Silvestre Chavez Thoroughbreds consignment, Dean will offer a colt by **Curlin** (hip 174). The chestnut colt is out of the unraced Divine Escapade (A.P. Indy), a daughter of Grade I winner Madcap Escapade (Hennessy).

Dean admitted he was “shocked” when he was able to acquire the colt for \$35,000 at last year’s Keeneland September sale.

“I was sitting at the sale and in walks this **Curlin** colt and I am looking at the page and I am expecting him to go for \$300,000 or better,” Dean recalled. “He was languishing at \$28,000, \$30,000. I looked closer at the page, I looked at the horse as he’s walking around. I said, ‘Well, he’s got four legs and I don’t see what the issue is,’ so I threw my hand up in the air and ended up buying him for \$35,000. My friends were asking me why I bought that horse. I said, ‘He’s by **Curlin** with a great page. And it’s \$35,000. I’ve lost more than \$35,000 dozens of times on other horses. If it turns out to be a train wreck, so what? I’ve been down that road before.’”

Asked how the colt has progressed since last fall, Dean said, “He’s gone the right way. I watched him Friday when he breezed at OBS and he looked very, very good doing it. They are going to have to take a look at him. Hopefully, he will do everything that is asked of him.”

Dean’s 2024 pinhooking prospects also include a colt by More Than Ready out of Runway Rosie (Include) (hip 69) he purchased as a weanling for \$85,000 at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton November sale. The colt is expected to be in the line up with Wavertree in April.

“The one that Ciaran has said the most about, that he was a little surprised about, was the More Than Ready that I bought as a weanling,” Dean said. “He didn’t get the prep that they get when they are going to the yearling sale. He was just hanging out in a field with his buds who weren’t going to yearling sales and he didn’t do anything but grow bigger. We had him shipped down and Ciaran said he was a little backward. But as he got into the training, he started adding muscle and getting into it and Ciaran said he is really catching his eye. He’s doing everything we are asking him to do and more and he’s coming on strong.”

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When he is looking for pinhook prospects, Dean said he looks for future potential.

“Everybody wants a perfect horse and as a yearling, they may not be perfect,” he said. “But by the time they are ready to go racing, they may develop. You can look at a 14-year-old boy who wants to play football and he’s 5’9 and he weighs 140 pounds, so that’s not so impressive. But when he gets to be 18, maybe he’s 6’1 and weighs 220 pounds and now he can play.”

Dean and his four siblings could represent that same over-achieving spirit, a spirit personified in his parents, both of whom lost their hearing as children.

“My mom and dad produced one son who is an engineer, one daughter who is a college professor, another daughter who is a medical professional with a masters degree and two other sons that went to law school and became successful,” Dean said. “And if you had asked either my mom or dad when they were 20 if they would have had a shot to do that, the answer would have been no, in part because they were both deaf.”

Dean’s father was 19 and in college hoping to become a doctor when he lost his hearing after a case of spinal meningitis. He went on to become a structural engineer.

His mother, growing up on a farm in Minnesota, lost her hearing at age seven after a case of scarlet fever. She ultimately received a full scholarship to Gallaudet University, the national college for the deaf in Washington D.C., and became an English teacher.

“That’s where she met my dad,” Dean said. “He was an engineer working for one of the aerospace contractors in World War II and was living in Washington. They went to a deaf social and that’s where they met.”

Lessons from his parents necessarily permeated Dean’s youth. “When I was in seventh grade, I told my dad, ‘I just can’t get this math. It’s too hard.’ He said, ‘Son, you don’t know what hard is yet.’”

Ed Dean was practicing law in Gainesville when his younger brother was contemplating his future back at home with his parents in Michigan.

“My brother was telling me about the University of Florida and the Gators,” Dean said. “I wrote to them and asked if they were interested in an offensive lineman from the state of Michigan. And basically, the word was, ‘No, we have plenty of kids that we can recruit here in the south. We don’t need to go to Michigan to get a kid.’”

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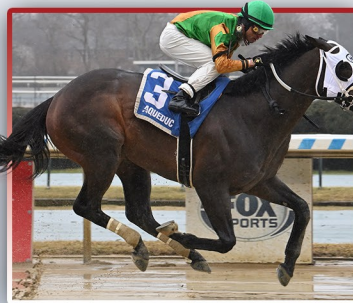
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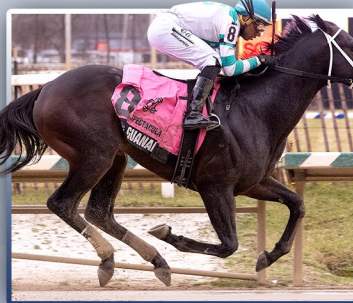
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But it wasn't long before a heart attack forced his father into retirement and Dean saw an opportunity.

"They sold their home in Michigan and bought a home in Gainesville and off to Florida we went," Dean said. "I went to Gainesville High School for my senior year, did well, and did well enough to impress the Gators, so I went to University of Florida on a scholarship."

As the youngest of a brood of highly successful professionals, Dean admitted there was some pressure when choosing his own profession.

"My brother Ed set the standard," he said. "My brother Dale became an engineer and my sister was a college professor and my other sister was in medicine. And so I am thinking I have to do something. I don't want to be the dog of the family. Math wasn't my thing, so engineering was out. And I said, 'I am a pretty good talker, maybe I can do this law thing.' I said, 'Surely I am as smart as my brother. And if he is a good lawyer, I can be one, too. That's why I went to law school.'"

The journey begun by his parents in the 1940s continues to impact Dean and is reflected in his pinhooking philosophy.

"If we can make a profit, we will be very happy," he said. "If we don't make a profit, we will be undaunted. We will try again."

The under-tack show for the OBS March sale will begin Wednesday and continues through Saturday with sessions beginning each morning at 8 a.m. The three-day auction will be held next Tuesday through Thursday. Bidding begins each day at 11 a.m.

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USDA's Dr. Angela Pelzel-McCluskey | *J.N. Campbell*

BUSH TRACKS, HOST OF OTHER INVESTIGATIVE TOPICS COVERED ON ORI DAY TWO *by J.N. Campbell*



Presenter Ismael Navarreto | *Bill Denver/Equi-Photo*

The Organization of Racing Investigators opened the final day of its Parx conference with another set of timely presentations.

Topics included the impact of bush track racing, and a variety of legal and scientific case studies, which were all geared for the investigator's toolkit.

With varied backgrounds in law enforcement and security, attendees many have experience growing up around horses. Investigators work for tracks and racing commissions, but they can never turn their backs on the chance to improve their techniques and plug into the ORI network fiber.

Kassie Creed, a Safety and Compliance Associate who works at Keeneland under Dr. Stuart Brown in equine safety, attended her second ORI meeting. She is part of the up-and-coming generation who is learning from those with decades of experience.

"Something I've noticed as a woman, thinking about my age, things that are relevant now will hit my generation in a different way," she said. "I'm a small-picture person and my local horse population is my chief concern. So, when I came last year to ORI I added new skills and was able to apply what I learned here to my day-to-day processes, which really helps."

The group began the day by hearing a talk on unregulated horse racing in North America by the USDA's Dr. Angela Pelzel-McCluskey. The epidemiologist has found 191 'bush tracks' across 30 states, and though all of them are racing Quarter Horses, she said that it is entirely possible that Thoroughbreds could be present too.

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“Every time I go looking for these unregulated places, I find more, and if you think they are not in your backyard, like in New England, you’d be wrong,” she said. “The spread of diseases, the use of dirty needles, is a crisis, and there is no federal law that makes this racing illegal.”

The Association of Racing Commissioners International's Ed Martin added during his session, “We are being lumped in with unsanctioned racing and the public sees the videos and they share them. We are going to have to deal with this. It's here. This industry needs to be talking to one another. We need to get together. We need certainty.”

Other presentations were offered by seasoned experts who work with Comisión de Juegos de Puerto Rico and from across the state of Pennsylvania. Their specialist's view concerning case studies went to the heart of equine health by examining everything from how pathology can be utilized in court cases, illegal horse ownership, and situational awareness when conducting interrogations.



ORI Conference at Parx | Bill Denver/Equi-Photo

The conference wrapped with Ann McGovern, the Horseracing Integrity & Safety Authority's Director of Racetrack Safety. Her presentation addressed last year's catastrophic injuries at Churchill Downs by highlighting the techniques which were implemented during the assessment.

“The process led us to found the HISA Track Surface Advisory Committee and expand on tools like an individual horse's exercise signature and their past performances,” she said.

As for ORI's next conference location, Keeneland was named as the site for 2025 with Dr. Brown serving as the conference chair.

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LOUIS LEE HAGGIN III PASSES AWAY

Louis Lee Haggin III, hailing from an illustrious racing family and a longtime fixture at Keeneland, died Mar. 5, according to a Keeneland press release Tuesday. He was 88.

A lifelong Thoroughbred owner and breeder, Haggin III managed his family's Sycamore Farm. A great, great grandson of legendary horseman James Ben Ali Haggin, who was also the founder of Elmendorf Farm, Haggin III's grandfather, Hal Price Headley, was among the founders of Keeneland. His father, Louis Lee Haggin II, served as the track's second president and subsequently its chairman.

“Keeneland mourns the loss of Louis Lee Haggin III, a beloved figure in Thoroughbred racing and breeding and a pivotal member of the Keeneland family. Mr. Haggin, who served as both a Director and Keeneland's longest-serving Trustee, leaves a legacy of leadership and service to Keeneland, the horse industry and the Central Kentucky community,” read a statement from Keeneland President and CEO Shannon Arvin. “Mr. Haggin's roots at Keeneland run deep. He followed his father, former Keeneland President and Chairman Louis Lee Haggin II, in his commitment to preserve the best of Keeneland's rich traditions. From his mother, Alma Headley Haggin, daughter of Keeneland co-founder and inaugural President Hal Price Headley, who is credited with developing the “Keeneland look,” Mr. Haggin developed a love of the land and showcasing its beauty. He spent countless hours walking the grounds with esteemed landscape architects George Betsill and Robert Sanders and worked throughout his life to continue his mother's legacy at Keeneland. We do not make a decision about touching a branch of a tree on our grounds without thinking about Mr. Haggin and whether he would approve.

“He joined the Keeneland Board in 1971 and served as a Keeneland Trustee from 1980 until his retirement in 2015. Mr. Haggin was truly devoted to Keeneland and had a special love for this institution. He was a dear friend to Keeneland and to me, and we will miss his presence and guidance.”

He is survived by his wife, Bettie Boswell, and three children: Louis Lee Haggin IV (Elizabeth); Margaret Gay Haggin Van Meter; and James Ben Ali Haggin (Mary Wis); grandchildren Louis Lee Haggin V (Charlotte), William Cabot Potter Haggin, Chenault Browning Van Meter Tuck (Michael), George Headley Van Meter (Leonie), James Ben Ali Haggin II; great grandson John Pehr Haggin; sisters Martha Broadbent, Alma Ethington, and Anne Graham; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held Mar. 8 at 11a.m. at the Lexington Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Sayre School.

“Keeneland extends our love and deepest condolences to Mrs. Haggin, Louis, Ben, Gay and the entire Haggin family.”

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RACE TRACK CHAPLAINCY



Racetrack chaplains at the national conference | Corey Johnsen

By Corey Johnsen

Last week, I attended the Race Track Chaplaincy of America (RTCA) national conference at the Falls Creek Conference Center in Davis, Oklahoma. There were more than 100 participants including track chaplains, local council leaders, national board and staff. I am here to share a good news story about a group that is serving God, serving people and making a difference in horse racing.

At its core, our sport showcases the Thoroughbred, one of the greatest creatures on this earth, and the dedicated group of people who love and work with those animals. Millions enjoy our sport on all levels, including casual fans, horseplayers, industry workers, breeders, trainers and owners.

I groomed horses prior to my senior year of college, and I learned many things that have stuck with me my entire professional career. Of course, I loved working with the majestic Thoroughbred. I also gained an appreciation for the dedication of the many individuals who are involved in the care of our horses.

There are literally hundreds of thousands of people who make up our industry. Most have demanding, non-traditional work schedules, and many have to travel on a racing circuit. It is difficult for them to develop a relationship with a church and attend traditional services. Also, the work can be physical and demanding. Especially in the past, there was nowhere to turn when life's challenges caused a "bump in the road."

In a traditional setting, many people can access their church or family and friends to help them through tough times.

In the 1970's, RTCA founder Salty Roberts recognized this situation, and the need for a ministry within the racing industry. The RTCA was formed as an evangelical, interdenominational, 501(c)(3) non-profit Christian organization whose purpose is to minister to the spiritual, emotional, physical, social and educational needs of workers within the horse racing industry.

In its simplest terms, the primary mission of any Christian is to "Love God, love others." The Chaplains, council members and volunteers of the RTCA carry out this mission every day. As the Vice President of the RTCA Board, it is a pleasure and honor to spend time with this group of humble servants who make such a difference in our industry.

The most visible part of a chaplain's duties may be worship services and Bible studies. Those important efforts just scratch the surface of the chaplain's job. It is a ministry of presence with Biblically based counsel, as well as offering resources like food and clothing banks, recreational activities and educational workshops. Chaplains perform weddings, handle funerals, do baptisms and make numerous trips to the hospital. When workers need a ride to the grocery store or a doctor's appointment, many times it is the chaplain or a volunteer ready to provide transportation. Like many other jobs in the horse racing, industry it is seven days a week.

At the national conference there was an exchange of experiences and ideas. The chaplains described it as a ministry of presence. It is important to get to know the people. Ask questions. One chaplain called it loitering with intent. If someone is going through a tough time, pray with them. In 2023, every RTCA chaplain went through QPR training (Question, Persuade and Refer) to help educate them about the mental health issues facing many of our workers.

As you might guess, there is not one chaplain that does their job for the financial reward. As a matter of fact, I heard about a chaplain that was ministering on a small circuit which raced only on weekends. This person was dedicated to filling a need each weekend at the track, and then would drive home and get up early Monday morning to drive a garbage truck to pay the bills. There are many stories of volunteers who provide important assistance to serve the workers at the track.

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Mindy Coleman, representing the Jockeys' Guild, was in attendance. That organization has worked with the RTCA for many years to make a difference in the very difficult lives of jockeys. A track chaplain brings together the jockeys and leads a prayer prior to the races at virtually every race track served by the RTCA. The chaplain is there to counsel and pray with the riders in times of need. And, when a rider is injured, the chaplain is always one of the first ones at the hospital. During my career in track management, I have witnessed the difference in the environment in the jockeys' room before the RTCA, and after. In a very competitive and demanding profession, the presence of the chaplain has made a major positive impact which is summed up by the RTCA theme of "Bringing God's Grace to the Race."

The conference was about God's Love, and unity and focus for the RTCA. It was obvious that every chaplain present felt blessed to be in the role of serving others. There was not one complaint. However, chaplains can be under a great deal of pressure with the many duties they are tasked with. Let's reach out to support and encourage them. If you are part of a horse organization, ask what you can do to support the RTCA at your track or training center. If you are in track management, make the chaplain part of your team.

To learn more about the RTCA, visit www.rtcanational.org.

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WAGERING ON U.S. RACES DECLINES IN FEBRUARY

Wagering on U.S. races dipped 2.85% in February, with 11 fewer racing dates, in year-to-year comparisons released Tuesday by Equibase, while through two months of 2024, wagering is down 6.83% with 59 fewer race days than the same period in 2023. Wagering in February totaled \$838,195,585, compared to \$862,782,585 in February, 2023. Through two months, a total of \$1,618,055,698 was wagered in U.S. races. That figure was \$1,736,625,054 after two months of 2023.

While available purse money increased 6.44% to \$86,413,218 in February, that figure year-to-date is down 4.03% to \$164,357,301.



There were 252 race days in February, compared to 263 in 2023, bringing the year-to-date total to 469 versus 528 a year ago. There were 4,007 races in January and February, compared to 4,508 during that period in 2023.

Average field size rose slightly during the first two months of the year, from 7.66 in 2023 to 7.77 in 2024.

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WELFARE AND SAFETY OF THE RACEHORSE SUMMIT TO BE HELD AT UK

The 11th Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit will be held June 25 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Longship Room at Kroger Field on the campus of the University of Kentucky. The event, which is free and open to the public, will be co-hosted by the University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and The Jockey Club.

Annie Montplaisir, equine education coordinator of the Kentucky Equine Education Project Foundation and president of Amplify Horse Racing, will emcee the event, which will be livestreamed.

Topics for the summit include a presentation by Dr. Tim Parkin on the latest statistics from the Equine Injury Database, work being done by state veterinarians, harmonizing pre-race inspections, track surfaces, and other issues affecting horse safety.

"Keeneland has always been a great host. When its construction coincided with this year's summit, Dr. Nancy Cox, dean of the University of Kentucky Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, immediately stepped up to host the summit," said Jamie Haydon, president of Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation and deputy executive director of The Jockey Club. "Dr. Cox and UK have been great partners with The Jockey Club and Grayson on multiple projects, and we look forward to working with them on our 2024 summit. I am certain they will be an excellent host."

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Saturday, Oaklawn #9, post time: 5:55 p.m. EST

AZERI S.-GII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Soul of an Angel	Atreides	James, Gerald and Hall Performance LLC	James	Esquivel	119
2	Bellamore 🌿	Empire Maker	Kaleem Shah, Inc.	Asmussen	Asmussen	121
3	Misty Veil 🌿	Tonalist	Resolute Racing	Maker	Vazquez	121
4	Comparative	Street Sense	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Franco	124
5	Saddle Up Jessie 🌿	More Than Ready	Michael J. Ryan	Russell	Toledo	124
6	Hot and Sultry 🌿	Speightster	Lieblong, Alex and JoAnn	Casse	Santana, Jr.	121
7	Tiny Temper 🌿	Arrogate	Stanley, Mark H. and Stanley, Nancy W.	Stewart	Graham	117
8	Shotgun Hottie	Gun Runner	Aldabbagh, Omar and Ganje, Jeff	DeVaux	Torres	119

Breeders: 1-Westbrook Stables, LLC, 2-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD., 3-William Humphries & Altair Farms, LLC, 4-Godolphin, 5-Kinnickinnic Stables, 6-Cobalt Investments, LLC, 7-Alan S. Kline Revocable Trust, 8-Vincent Colbert

Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 4:36 p.m. EST

HURRICANE BERTIE S.-GIII, \$125,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Unifying 🌿	Union Rags	Greenberg, Sheri, Staghawk Stables, Reiman, Tom and Johnson, Ronald	Mott	Rosario	118
2	Red Carpet Ready	Oscar Performance	Ashbrook Farm and Upland Flats Racing	Arnold, II	Saez	120
3	Dreamster	Jess's Dream	Mary Lightner	Lightner	Panici	118
4	Spirit Wind	Bahamian Squall	Miller Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	124
5	Olivia Darling	Palace	Amo Racing USA	Delgado	Egan	124
6	Lady Radler	Kantharos	Mellon Patch, Inc.	Campbell	Gonzalez	124
7	Libban	Laoban	C2 Racing Stable LLC and Braverman, Paul	Joseph, Jr.	Conner	118
8	Cheetara (Chi) 🌿	Daddy Long Legs	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Lopez	120

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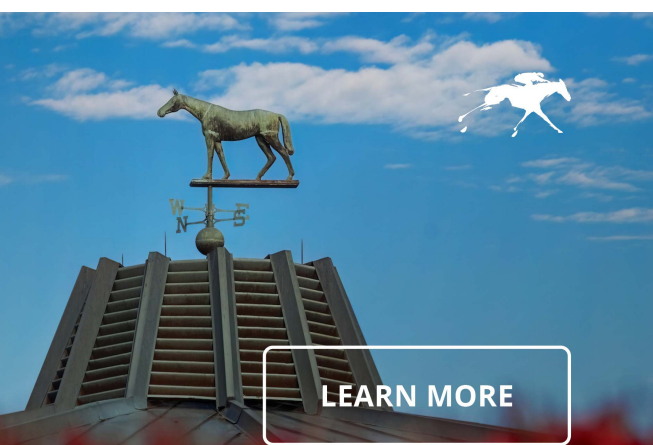
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WEDNESDAY'S RACING INSIGHTS: ARROGATE JUDDMONTE HOMEBRED FILLY DEBUTS AT GULFSTREAM



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4th-GP, \$89k, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 2:38 p.m. ET

Juddmonte homebred **SIDAMARA (Arrogate)** kicks off her career for Hall of Famer Bill Mott. The 3-year-old is out of 2012 GI Darley Alcibiades S. winner and Canadian champion 2-year-old filly Spring in the Air (Spring At Last), who brought \$1.65 million from Nawara Stud at the 2015 KEENOV sale. Spring in the Air's Nawara Stud-bred 5-year-old gelding Find (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**) was second in the 2022 G3 Jersey S. Sidamara is the 9-5 morning-line favorite. **TJCIS PPS**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

MAIN LINE S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 3-5, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:45.88, sy.

1--**JEANNE MARIE, 121, f, 3, by Speightster**

1st Dam: Bouquet of Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro

2nd Dam: Bouquet Booth, by Flower Alley

3rd Dam: Toll Order, by Loup Sauvage

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Cash is King LLC & LC Racing LLC (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr.; J-Mychel J. Sanchez. \$43,200.
Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$82,800.

2--**Kiss for Luck, 121, f, 3, Accelerate--Vero Amore, by**

Mineshaft. 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Swilcan Stable LLC (KY);

T-Robert E. Reid, Jr. \$14,400.

 *Brookdale* Foaled and Raised for Swilcan Stables 

3--**Experimental, 121, f, 3, Practical Joke--Trial and Error, by Uncle Mo. 1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Klaravich Stables Inc. (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. \$7,200.

Margins: 2HF, 5, 5 1/4. Odds: 1.30, 4.80, 1.30.

Also Ran: Maria Says So, Eclair Blanc, Sweet Distraction, Molly Malone. Scratched: Aoife's Magic, Phabulous Phoebe.

Jeanne Marie graduated at second asking versus state-breds going 4 1/2 furlongs at Parx July 17, then was placed on the shelf. Favored to fire fresh off the bench in this two-turn debut, she was sent to the front and never looked back. Jeanne Marie becomes the 13th stakes winner for the late Speightster, who was euthanized in 2022. The winner's dam produced colts by Maximus Mischief in 2023-24. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

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JEANNE MARIE (Speightster) fires fresh off the bench.
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7th-Santa Anita, \$68,500, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 3-4, 3yo, f, 6fT, 1:09.67, fm, 3/4 length.

GRANNY BUDGIE (GB) (f, 3, Massaat {Ire}--Caledonia Duchess {GB}, by Dutch Art {GB}), a three-time winner in her native land for trainer George Scott, crossed the wire seventh and was promoted to sixth via disqualification while making her U.S. debut in the Sweet Life S. Feb. 11. Given a 9-1 chance here, she was on the move into fifth heading into the far turn and came charging down the stretch to outkick She Is Romantic (**Blame**) by 3/4 of a length. The winner's dam produced a colt by Massaat (Ire) in 2022 and a filly by that stallion in 2023. Sales history: £18,000 Ylg '22 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-1, \$65,825. **Click for the [Equibase.com](https://www.equibase.com) chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-David A. Bernsen, LLC, Omar Aldabbagh & Jeffrey Lambert; B-Mickley Stud (GB); T-Philip D'Amato.



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SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
 261 foals of racing age/34 winners/3 black-type winners
 5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Sanctify, 5-1
 \$7,500 KEE JAN yrl



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Catholic Boy (More Than Ready), Claiborne Farm, \$10,000
 160 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner
 5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Faith Understood, 12-1

Heart to Heart (English Channel), Crestwood Farm
 60 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
 8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2fT, Baltimore Heart, 10-1

Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000
 231 foals of racing age/40 winners/3 black-type winners
 8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2fT, Radical Mischief, 9-2
 \$50,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$40,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$73,000 RNA EAS
 MAY 2yo

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000
 291 foals of racing age/31 winners/3 black-type winners
 8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2fT, Higgins Boat, 8-1
 \$325,000 KEE SEP yrl

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STAKES RESULTS:

CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 3-5, 3yo, 1m 70y, 1:44.60, sy.

1--**LONESOME BOY, 121, c, 3, by Nationhood--Atta Girl Pearl, by Atta Boy Roy. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-John E. Parker; B-Pat & Mullan Chinn (WA); T-Hugo O. Padilla; J-Adam Bowman. \$44,100. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-2, \$126,444.

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2--**Guanare, 126, c, 3, Runhappy--Cast in Silver, by City Zip.** (\$29,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$27,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-P and G Stable; B-Michael A. Waresk (KY); T-Richard E. Dutrow, Jr. \$14,700.

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3--**Le Vin, 121, c, 3, Vino Rosso--Nurse Donna, by Vindication.** (\$57,000 RNA Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$50,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. & Jagger, Inc.; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY); T-Jamie Ness. \$7,350.

BRANDYWINE FARM (Jim & Pam Robinson)

Margins: 6 3/4, 3/4, 2. Odds: 10.70, 0.80, 2.20.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

2nd-Turf Paradise, \$31,000, (NW2L)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$75,000), 3-5, 3yo, 6f, 1:10.16, ft, nose.

FRENCH ONION (c, 3, Stay Thirsty--French Alps, by Swiss Yodeler) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$46,220. O-Tricar Stables, Inc.; B-Turner Shiew (CA); T-Jose Luna Silva. *\$7,500 Ylg '22 ARZNOV.

7th-Will Rogers Downs, \$27,600, (S), 3-4, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:06.43, ft, neck.

RAINBOW ANGEL (f, 3, Blueskiesnrainbows--Street Angel, by Street Boss) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$44,919. O/B-Bad Boy Racing LLC (OK); T-Tristan Ashford.

2nd-Will Rogers Downs, \$27,600, (S), 3-5, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42.57, ft, neck.

MISSWISH (f, 4, Mshawish--Katabatic, by Archrarcharch) Lifetime Record: 26-2-1-7, \$59,443. O-Windy Racing LLC; B-S.F. Henderson (OK); T-Sarah Nicole Davidson.

7th-Mahoning Valley, \$25,900, 3-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:46.67, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

MAYITO (g, 7, Declaration of War--Buttress, by Arch) Lifetime Record: 38-5-7-10, \$96,041. O-Kevin Buttigieg; B-Dormellito Stud (KY); T-Kevin Buttigieg. *\$30,000 Ylg '18 OBSOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Short Stretch, f, 3, Caleb's Posse--Noelle's Quay, by Circular Quay. Will Rogers Downs, 3-4, (S), 6f, 1:13.58. Lifetime Record: 6-1-3-1, \$40,756. B-Michael Edwin Biehler (OK).

Four Blessings, f, 3, Cigar Street--Sandringham Sierra, by Silic (Fr). Mahoning Valley, 3-5, 5 1/2f, 1:07.61. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$17,010. B-Thomas J. Young (KY).

Gold Foot, g, 3, Goldcents--Tiz Ladys Legs, by Tiznow. Santa Anita, 3-4, (C), 1mT, 1:37.58. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$31,100. B-Stepaside Farm LLC (KY).

Avoir, f, 3, More Than Ready--Princess Julia, by Distorted Humor. Santa Anita, 3-4, (C), 6 1/2ft, 1:16.38. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-2, \$70,440. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). *\$140,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$72,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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Eddie W, g, 3, Peace and Justice--Back Stop, by Blame. Parx Racing, 3-5, (S), 6f, 1:13.09. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$28,812. B-A1A Racing (PA). *\$20,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

Romanian Prince, g, 3, Wicked Strong--Mastic, by Harlington. Mahoning Valley, 3-5, (S), 6f, 1:13.74. Lifetime Record: 9-1-4-3, \$57,021. B-Frank F. Ramocean (OH).

Den's Dynasty, g, 4, Den's Legacy--Forever Jenny, by Sir Shackleton. Will Rogers Downs, 3-5, (S), 6f, 1:13.06. Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-3, \$40,016. B-Center Hills Farm (OK).



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Caleb's Posse, Short Stretch, f, 3, o/o Noelle's Quay, by Circular Quay. MSW, 3-4, Will Rogers

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Goldcents, Gold Foot, g, 3, o/o Tiz Ladys Legs, by Tiznow. MCL, 3-4, Santa Anita

Massaat (Ire), Granny Budgie (GB), f, 3, o/o Caledonia Duchess (GB), by Dutch Art (GB). AOC, 3-4, Santa Anita

More Than Ready, Avoir, f, 3, o/o Princess Julia, by Distorted

Humor. MCL, 3-4, Santa Anita

Mshawish, Misswish, f, 4, o/o Katabatic, by Archarcharch. ALW, 3-5, Will Rogers

Nationhood, Lonesome Boy, c, 3, o/o Atta Girl Pearl, by Atta Boy Roy. City of Brotherly Love S., 3-5, Parx Racing

Peace and Justice, Eddie W, g, 3, o/o Back Stop, by **Blame**. MSW, 3-5, Parx Racing

Speightster, Jeanne Marie, f, 3, o/o Bouquet of Gold, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. Main Line S., 3-5, Parx Racing

Stay Thirsty, French Onion, c, 3, o/o French Alps, by Swiss Yodeler. AOC, 3-5, Turf Paradise

Wicked Strong, Romanian Prince, g, 3, o/o Mastic, by Harlington. MSW, 3-5, Mahoning Valley



FOALING NEWS

LAKE TURKANA, 11, More Than Ready--Lake Naivasha, by Empire Maker

Foal born Mar. 3, a colt by **Hard Spun**.

Bred by Stillfork Farm & Godolphin USA.

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Accomplishments: Dam of Joey Freshwater (Jimmy Creed), GSW, \$336,130.



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