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CATCHING FREEDOM LOOKING TO REGROUP IN OHIO DERBY



Catching Freedom | Hodges photography

by Alan Carasso

A veteran of two-thirds of this year's Triple Crown series, Albaugh Family Stables' **Catching Freedom** (Constitution) gets a fair bit of class relief while facing nine others in Saturday's \$500,000 GIII Ohio Derby at Thistledown outside of Cleveland.

Winner of the GII Louisiana Derby to earn his spot in the field for the GI Kentucky Derby, the \$575,000 Keeneland September acquisition gave an excellent account of himself on the first Saturday in May, delivering a rails rally in the stretch to round out the superfecta, a length and three-quarters behind the victorious Mystik Dan (Goldencents).

One of three to press on to the GI Preakness Stakes after their efforts beneath the Twin Spires, Catching Freedom sat an inside trip at Old Hilltop and was produced three wide into the lane with every chance, but could not run down front-running Seize the Grey (Arrogate) and just failed to reel in Mystik Dan for second. Luis Saez has the call Saturday afternoon.

The regally bred **Batten Down** (Tapit)--a full-brother to MGSW & MGISP Tacitus--hit the board in two-turn maidens at Gulfstream and Keeneland before breaking through by an authoritative 8 3/4 lengths in a rare 10-furlong test at Churchill Apr. 30. **Cont., p3**

'GOD, IT'S REALLY GONE': CHAVEZ REGROUPS FOLLOWING RUIDOSO FIRE

DEVASTATION by Stefanie Grimm

The day started off normally enough. Retired jockey Casey Chavez, a resident of Ruidoso, New Mexico who brought his tack and his life to the area five years ago, made the commute into work Tuesday morning as usual. Having ridden the last mount of his three-decade long career at nearby Ruidoso Downs nearly a year ago to the date (June 23, 2023), Chavez now works with a local physical therapy office.

"I went there like you do any other day and a little before lunch time, we heard about something happening, like whispers of a big fire," Chavez said.

The area is no stranger to wildfires. Ruidoso was the home of the 2022 McBride Fire which left two people dead as it burned 6,159 acres between April 12 and May 7. **Cont., p4**

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See TDN Europe for coverage of the fourth day of the Royal Ascot meeting. | Horsephotos

7 | GABALDON 'LOOKS GOOD' AFTER ROYAL ASCOT ADVENTURE

The grey son of Gone Astray is back in the States after his runner-up effort in the Listed Windsor Castle. His long-term goal this season is the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint at Del Mar. The TDN has details.

TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

<u>RACE</u>

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- 10:05a Hardwicke S.-G2, ASC
- 10:45a Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee S.-G2, ASC
- 11:25a **Jersey S.-G3**, ASC
- 3:51p Chicago S.-GIII, CD
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Graded Preview, cont. from p1

The Juddmonte homebred was being trained with a possible appearance in the GI Belmont Stakes in mind, but trainer Bill Mott elected to give his charge a couple more weeks instead. He is an 8-1 chance on the morning line, but should jump at a fraction of that.

A stakes winner at six furlongs and a mile at two, **Copper Tax** (Copper Bullet) added the Mar. 23 Private Terms Stakes by a neck over 8 1/2 furlongs before adding a 3/4-length success in the Federico Tesio Stakes going a mile and an eighth at Pimlico Apr. 20. He was briefly considered for a start in the Preakness, but trainer Gary Capuano opts for this softer landing instead.

Grade I Winners Clash In Chicago Stakes

Saturday's GIII Chicago Stakes at Churchill Downs has attracted just five female sprinters, but of those, three have succeeded at the highest level, including two at the specialist distance of seven furlongs.

Vahva (Gun Runner) won the GIII Charles Town Oaks and GII Lexus Raven Run S.--both over seven-eighths of a mile--last season and has clearly trained on this term. A running-on second to Alva Starr (Lord Nelson) in Keeneland's GI Madison S. Apr. 6, she reversed form in no uncertain terms with the Louisiana-bred when clearing off to win the GI Derby City Distaff over the course and distance May 4.

"Vahva is a fairly easy horse to train, you just have to pay close attention to how she's doing in the mornings because she'll tell you if she's ready to run or not," trainer Cherie DeVaux told the Churchill media office. "She's been training better than ever at Keeneland. There's been some spacing between her races because she shows signs in the mornings that she's not quite ready to return to action. She hasn't shown any of those signs ahead of the race on Saturday." **Cont.**



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Society (Gun Runner) took this race by 10 3/4 lengths last June when it was contested at Ellis Park and the 2022 GI Cotillion S. winner added a front-running score in the Pink Ribbon S. at Charles Town last August. Peter Blum's homebred makes her first trip to the races since a slightly troubled fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint Nov. 4.

Chi Town Lady (Verrazano) caused a 17-1 upset in the 2022 seven-furlong GI Test Stakes at Saratoga and annexed this year's Minaret Stakes at Tampa before rallying to be fourth to Vahva in the Derby City Distaff last time.

Ruidoso Fire, cont. from p1

"This one was different. You could tell in the sky; you could see the smoke clouds."

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Chavez and his coworkers took immediate action, wrapping up work early for the day to be safe.

"One of the other physical therapists and I watched it from the office together and the smoke clouds just kept getting bigger and bigger. I thought, 'these are dangerous looking, they're not a quick in and out type of fire.' So I decided to go home and start figuring out what was going on."

A little more than five miles from Chavez's office, not far from the house he shared with his girlfriend and their 11-year-old son, the South Fork Fire was already raging.



Casey Chavez | courtesy of Casey Chavez

"It only took a couple of hours for it to reach the area where I live and I had no idea it was that close. It snuck up on us. I've never seen something move that fast in my life. It was larger than anything I could imagine."

The area of Ruidoso had been dry in recent weeks and under an elevated fire risk from the Storm Prediction Center. A portion of the Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook released for June 18 read: **Cont.**

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"It'd been pretty warm and dry. Days would go by and we'd think 'we need some rain'. We've had maybe a day or two of [rain] but not much and it all dried up so fast."

As the smoke clouds continued to grow, Chavez made the short drive to his home where he met his girlfriend's son.

"I had no idea where it was going or which direction. I told him we need to get our things together. I wasn't sure what was going on but I knew we needed to be prepared for this fire to go in any direction."

Chavez's girlfriend, a local postal worker, arrived shortly after and the three worked quickly to pack.

"You can't pack everything. You can't even think about trying to pack everything. You only have so much time. By the time my girlfriend got home, we had maybe an hour. I still didn't know where [the fire] was but I could sense something was coming."

With duffel bags of personal belongings on his shoulders, Chavez made his way back outside to begin loading the car.

"I put my bags in the backseat, turned around, and thank God I had my phone on my because as I looked up, ashes were falling from the sky. It was so dark. Behind the house, there was a 150-200 ft wall of flames. That's when I thought, God, it's really over. I knew pretty much right then, when I saw that fire and with the wind blowing, that the house was going to be gone."

Thankfully, Chavez and his family were able to evacuate safely. Their house was a total loss, one of 500 homes and 1,400 structures burned according to a speech given Wednesday night by New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. Sadly, the South Fork Fire is also responsible for one death as it continues to rage at zero percent containment along with the neighboring Salt Fire, also responsible for a death. Adding insult to injury, a large thunderstorm complex developed over the area Wednesday and triggered flash floods along the burn scars.

Ruidoso Downs, where Chavez spent many of his last years riding, also evacuated to safety with horses moving to other tracks in New Mexico and Arizona. Racing at Ruidoso Downs was canceled through Sunday.

Chavez is just thankful that he and his family were able to escape in time.

"We're assessing it day by day. I'm feeling completely overwhelmed. We're all on edge. Nothing is the same. We've had such a drastic change in our daily routine. We're OK physically but mentally, you have to take stock. It's going to be hard."



Ruidoso Downs photo

"I'm trying not to think of it too much and just take it a few days at a time. Now, there's nowhere to call home."

President Biden issued a disaster declaration for New Mexico Thursday and FEMA has already stepped in to begin recovery efforts even as the fires continue to rage and Lincoln County remains under a state of emergency. The cause of both the South Fork and the Salt Fire is still under investigation.

As weather patterns may bring better fire-fighting conditions in the coming days, a GoFundMe has been set up for Chavez and his family as they, and the village of Ruidoso, begin to recover.

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ARNMORE THOROUGHBREDS RECORDS NOTEWORTHY BOWS FOR JUVENILE CLASS

The managing partner of Arnmore Thoroughbreds, co-owner of '**TDN Rising Star' Complexion** (Complexity) with Carl and Yurie Pascarella, Megan Jones signed for a now juvenile class of three, and all have hit the board at first asking, including the one who ultimately landed on the *TDN*'s radar.

"This year we have three fillies that we purchased as yearlings. The first, [New York-bred] Phoebeinwonderland, beat the boys first out. Second was Complexion. Third was Magical Bette who ended up in a boys' race because [her other option] overfilled, and I was really proud of her," said Jones. "That was my yearling class. They've been such good girls."

Jones included that Danny Gargan, the trainer of their '**Rising Star**', was a major source of encouragement in the early stages of running her ownership and breeding operation.

Complexion was picked up for \$400,000 at Keeneland September after not reaching her reserve as a weanling a year prior at the Keeneland November sale when bidding stalled at \$335,000.



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Complexion after her 'Rising Star' debut | Coglianese

Sent to the shed row of GI Belmont Stakes-winning trainer Danny Gargan, the flashy chestnut overcame a bobble break at the start of that June 14 unveiling, turned away challenges through the bend, and never looked back from the front end, sailing in to win by 6 1/2 lengths to earn the *TDN* stamp of approval.

In addition to that '**Rising Star**', herself a half-sister to '**TDN Rising Star**' MGISW Jack Christopher (Munnings), Jones and the Pascarellas are also partners on **Magical Bette** (Good Magic), a filly they debuted against the boys June 15 after buying her for \$600,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga August Yearling sale. The winner in that contest, Mentee (City of Light), full-brother to champion Fierceness, set a new track record in his nose victory at first asking. Their filly, trained by Bill Mott, would claim third at 14-1 odds.

"Bill just wanted to get a run into her and I was proud she ran third in that really fast race."



Megan Jones (centre) leads in Gala Brand after the With Anticipation | Sarah Andrew

"She was up there early and never gave up. She was [5 3/4] lengths clear of the rest," Jones said. "You can expect to see her back early in the meet at Saratoga, [and] she should be very live."

Both fillies earned a 77 Beyer Speed Figure for their efforts. Gargan praises Jones's keen eye at the sales, an atmosphere which can be intimidating even for seasoned horsepeople, and says there is likely more success to come.

"Megan Jones bought Complexion, and she is on some run with her two-year-olds. She had a winner with Wesley [Ward, Phoebeinwonderland], and then my filly is a TDN Rising Star," he said. "Her Good Magic filly was third [Magic Bette], so there is a lot of good in the pipeline of that outfit. All fillies, which is pretty neat."

Gargan also included that Complexion will target the Listed Schuylerville Stakes on opening day of Saratoga July 11 and that the long-term goal for his filly is the GI Spinaway Stakes Aug. 31.

In a separate venture, Jones co-owns **Phoebeinwonderland** (More Than Ready) with Even Keel Thoroughbreds, who hails from that same Saratoga August sale as Magical Bette, but for a humbler price of \$100,000. Trained by Wesley Ward, and also against males via a state-bred restricted maiden May 10, she overcame a round of bumper cars after the jump in her debut to stalk from second. Chasing the pacesetter and coming three wide heading for home, she gamely gut out the victory by threequarters of a length in the shadow of the wire.

Jones's exciting run continues this weekend with a stakes entry in the form of another Even Keel Thoroughbreds co-owned runner, namely GIII With Anticipation winner **Gala Brand** (Violence), who is entered Saturday in the Listed Wild Applause for Bill Mott. Her most recent newcomer from the sales **Gellhorn** (Volatile), a \$250,000 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May 2-year-old purchase--also a chestnut, has joined the Gargan barn.

"I look at their eye, more than their color. It is a funny coincidence," Jones said, with a laugh, when asked about her growing chestnut herd. "When they run for you, they run for you. I won't complain about that."

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DETERMINISTIC TO TRY THE LAWN IN MANILA

The GIII Gotham Stakes winner '**TDN Rising Star**' **Deterministic** (Liam's Map) will try his fortune on the grass when he makes his turf debut in the GIII Manila Stakes June 29 at Belmont at the Big A.

The Christophe Clement trainee briefly found himself on the Kentucky Derby trail after taking the aforementioned early prep by two lengths. **Cont.** He finished off-the-board in the GII Wood Memorial Apr. 6, running eighth as the favorite, and May 11 in the GIII Peter Pan Stakes, running fifth, in his two most recent trips to post.

Clocked in 1:01.22 in a five-eighths work June 14, that effort had been over Saratoga's Oklahoma training turf, he put in a move Friday morning with another five-eights in 1:03 flat on the dirt training track.

"He worked well. I'm happy with him," said Clement. "He won the Gotham on a wet track and he was disappointing in the Wood. I've wanted to try him on the turf ever since and now we've had the chance to train there. He moves like a dream on the grass. He's a good horse and I have not given up on him."

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GABALDON 'LOOKS GOOD' AFTER RUNNER-UP EFFORT IN WINDSOR CASTLE



Gabaldon (rail) came within a length of pulling the spoiler at Royal Ascot in the Listed Windsor Castle | Racingfotos.com

Following his runner-up showing in Wednesday's Windsor Castle Stakes during the Royal Ascot meeting, **Gabaldon** (Gone Astray) has returned to the States and will now be pointed to a long-range goal of making it to the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint at Del Mar.

Having punched his ticket into the field at the Royal meeting via the Royal Palm Juvenile Stakes May 11, the grey almost pulled a shocker in the contest from his stands' side position. Blazing a trail as the frontrunner after the large field of 27 split into two packs, Gabaldon made eventual winner Ain't Nobody (Ire) (Sands of Mali {Fr}) work for every step to get by, only doing so in the final yards to score by a length.

"He came out of the race good and he traveled [well], too," said trainer Joseph D'Angelo Friday at Gulfstream Park after flying to Miami Thursday. "Right now, he's at Churchill Downs in quarantine. All looks good with him. Everything is in good order."

D'Angelo added, "I was very confident in him. I really liked him for this race. I thought he would be so, so tough...[Gabaldon] is going to decide where he goes. We have to give him time after a long trip."

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COLONIAL DOWNS BARN AREA PREPPED FOR 2024 SEASON

Signaling the beginning of the 2024 Thoroughbred season, Colonial Downs's barn area will open on Monday, June 24 with training scheduled to begin on Thursday, June 27, the track said in a press release on Friday.

Multiple leading trainer Mike Stidham and Hall of Fame conditioner Mark Casse are among the trainers preparing to return to the Tidewater track. The latter put in a successful debut meet where he won 10 races, which included **Fev Rover** (Ire) (Gutaifan {Ire}). The Canadian Horse of the Year took home the GI Beverly D. Stakes, a Breeders' Cup Challenge 'Win and You're In' race.

"It was our first meet and we loved it," Casse said. "[Colonial Downs] has got one of the nicest turf courses in North America. When I came in for the Beverly D, I flew in with Tyler Gaffalione, Kendrick Carmouche, and Javier [Castellano], and they all commented that this is one of the nicest turf courses they have ridden."

A mainstay of the summer season, Karen Dennehy Godsey plans to return to Colonial Downs, coming off the most successful meet in terms of earnings of the trainer's 11-year career.

"Colonial offers races that no other track has, especially given the Virginia-bred and Virginia-certified program," Godsey said. "It's quality racing. The money is good, the racing is good, and the track is gorgeous. There is no other turf course like it. Most every horse in my barn is Virginia-bred or Virginia-certified, so those races they offer level the playing field."

Newcomers expected to stable at Colonial in 2024 include Christophe Clement, Cherie DeVaux, Jordan Blair and Keith Desormeaux.

"After looking at the condition book, I saw they have a lot of 2-year-old races, they have a lot of 2-year-old route races, and they have plenty of turf racing," Desormeaux said. "The surface is second to none--turf and dirt. The facility is very nice, the purses are substantial --there were many features that attracted me. Our goal does not change--we're developing horses to run at the highest level. It's going to be a great place to develop these young horses."



Fev Rover | Coady Photography

Exiting the most successful season in the history of the racetrack, in terms of record number of races, race days, visitors, horses in competition, live bets and off-track bets, Colonial Downs' 2024 stakes program consists of 27 races worth \$5.7 million. The season will feature daily average purses of nearly \$700,000. The 27-day meet runs from Thursday, July 11 through Saturday, September 7.

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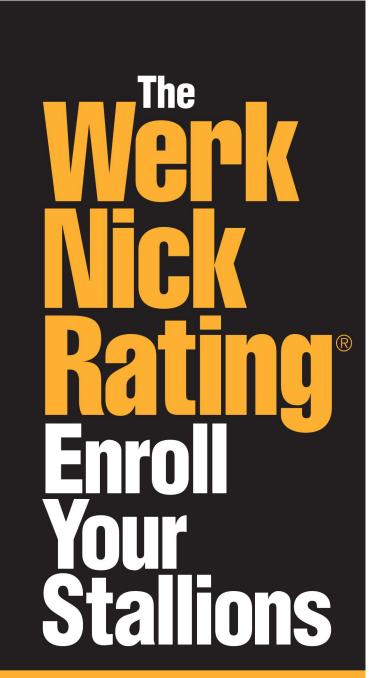
PUBLIC COMMENT SOUGHT ON TWO LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PROJECT PROPOSALS IN LEXINGTON

Public comment is now being accepted for two proposed industrial solar projects in Lexington-Fayette County, Kentucky, according to the Fayette Alliance.

An information session is scheduled on July 8 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Macdeonia Christian Church at 4551 Winchester Road for people looking to better understand the two proposals.

Eatern Kentucky Power Cooperative has submitted a proposal for a 400-acres industrial solar development on Winchester Road. That proposal is currently moving through the Kentucky Public Service Commission, which regulates utilities in Kentucky, according to the Alliance. EKPC is a not-for-profit generation and transmission electric utility with headquarters in Winchester, Ky.

Silicon Ranch, a solar power company based in Nashville, has proposed a Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment to permit industrial-scale solar facilities in the agricultural zones of the county. That proposal is currently moving through the planning commission. Approval would allow industrial solar farms in any agricultural zone with a conditional use permit, to be evaluated by the Board of Adjustment under limited conditions, according to the Fayette Alliance. **Cont.**





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"We think industrial solar generation facilities are not appropriate in the Rural Service Area or any of our agricultural zones, as the primary intent of these zones is to support agricultural production," the Alliance said in the email. "Large-scale power generation facilities are both industrial and commercial uses, and pose complex unintended consequences to our productive soils as well as set dangerous precedent for how we regulate uses in our agricultural zones moving forward."

The public may submit comments via this link on the Public Service Commission's website.

The Fayette Alliance is a non-profit committed to achieving sustainable growth in the city of Lexington while advocating for the protection of farmland.

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IOWA LT. GOV. GREGG TO DELIVER KEYNOTE AT NATIONAL HBPA CONFERENCE JULY 24

Iowa Lieutenant Governor Adam Gregg will deliver the keynote address at the 2024 National HBPA Conference set for July 23-26 at Iowa's Prairie Meadows Casino, Racetrack and Hotel, the association said in a release early Friday morning.

Lt. Gov. Gregg will make his remarks on Wednesday, July 24, the conference's first of three days of panel discussions and presentations.

Coinciding with the conference will be a starter-allowance race

carrying a \$50,000 purse. The top three finishers receive automatic entry into the Kent Stirling Memorial Iron Horse, part of the eight-race Claiming Crown series that will be held Nov. 16 at Churchill Downs.

"This is terrific having a Claiming Crown prep race with a big purse on the evening our conference participants will be enjoying a day at the races at Prairie Meadows," said Eric Hamelback, CEO of the National HBPA. "We appreciate the enthusiasm the Iowa HBPA and Prairie Meadows have shown for hosting our conference and putting on a Claiming Crown prep.

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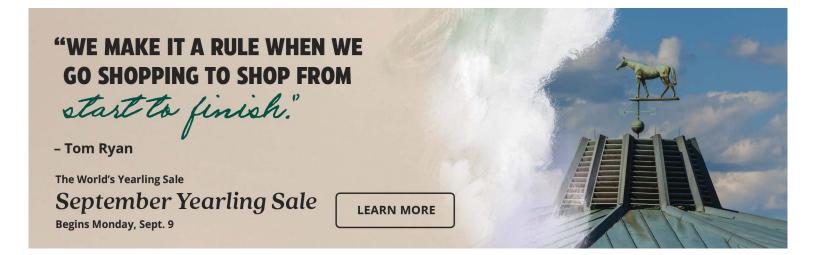
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WILD APPLAUSE S., \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

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NORTH AMERICAN RACING

SATURDAY INSIGHTS: CAIRO PRINCE COLT LOOKS TO BACK UP BIG DEBUT by Alan Carasso 2nd-BAQ, \$100k, Alw, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:04 p.m. ET



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UNMATCHED WISDOM (Cairo Prince) caught a muddy local strip and the outside post for his one-mile debut May 10, but turned in an eye-catching performance in scoring by better than six lengths while earning a 98 Beyer Speed Figure that is 12 points higher than any number posted by any of his five rivals in this first-level allowance. From the deeper female family of Stormy Atlantic, Bandini and three-time G1 Dubai Turf winner Lord North (Ire), the sophomore colt cost just \$25,000 as a Keeneland September yearling before blossoming into a \$450,000 purchase by the Klaravich braintrust at last year's OBS March Sale. **TJCIS PPs**

2nd-GP, \$65k, Msw, 2yo, f, 5f (AWT), 1:24 p.m. ET

IT'S WITCHCRAFT (Tapit) is the first produce for Lady's Island (Greatness), a two-time graded winner on the main track, who was purchased by Gainesway for \$300,000 at the Fasig-Tipton February Sale in 2021. Unsurprisingly covered by Tapit a short time after her acquisition, Lady's Island produced this filly in February 2022 and D J Stable signed the winning ticket on her at \$1.1 million at last year's Keeneland September Sale. The mare is also represented by a yearling Tapit colt and foaled a colt by the standout stallion this season after she was bought back on a bid of \$575,000 at Keeneland November last fall. **TJCIS PPs**

7th-LRC, \$41k, Msw, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 7:04 p.m.

A \$600,000 Keeneland September purchase, **DOTHRAKI (Into Mischief)** gets his career started for the SF/Starlight/Madaket et al partnership. The Mar. 30 foal looks to become a sixth winner for his dam Vanquished (Empire Maker), herself responsible for three-time graded winner Takeover Target (Harlan's Holiday) and the stakes-winning Ladies' Privilege (Harlan's Holiday), whose son More Than Looks (More Than Ready) won last year's GIII Manila Stakes. Vanquished is a half-sister to two-time Grade I winner Critical Eye (Dynaformer). The cross of Into Mischief over Empire Maker has accounted for GI Kentucky Derbywinning **'TDN Rising Star'** Mandaloun and G1 Dubai World Cup hero Laurel River. **TJCIS PPs**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

8th-Churchill Downs, \$127,000, Alw, 6-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.69, fm, 1 1/2 lengths. STYLISH SUE (f, 3, Nyquist--Maria Maria {MGSP, \$281,745}, by Curlin) broke her maiden at third asking while trying the grass for the first time at Horseshoe Indy May 4. The filly was last seen crossing the wire first over the same course May 28, but was disqualified for interference and placed second. Overlooked as a 12-1 shot here, the chestnut once again showed speed as she set the pace into the first turn and up the backstretch. Stylish Sue felt some pressure around the far turn, but was up to the challenge as she stole the show by 1 1/2 lengths over Pharoah's Wine (American Pharoah). The winner's dam produced unraced



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filly Kate Barry (Constitution), who is now a 2-year-old, and a colt--currently a yearling--by Bolt d'Oro. A half-sister to GSW He's Got Grit (Songandaprayer), Maria Maria foaled a colt by Nashville May 2. Sales History: \$80,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$42,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSMAR; \$150,000 2yo '23 TTAAPR. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$98,960. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Highlander Training Center; B-Curtis C. Green (KY); T-Joe Sharp.

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7th-Churchill Downs, \$97,517, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 6-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.23, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

PAPILIO (IRE) (f, 4, Starspangledbanner {Aus}--Glafyra {Fr}, by **High Chaparral {Ire})**, a narrow winner of last year's GII Appalachian Stakes and third-place finisher in the GI Fasig-Tipton Belmont Oaks Invitational Stakes, was fifth in the GIII Modesty Stakes last out May 3. Looking for her first win since recording that aforementioned career high at Keeneland last spring, the 3-5 favorite raced on the inside in fifth through a half mile in :48.97 and awaited racing room on the far turn. She found a seam as they straightened for home and spurted clear to score by 1 1/2 lengths over Glittering Lights (GB) (Kingman {GB}). The winner's dam is also responsible for the 2-year-old colt Balbec (Fr) (Cable Bay {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Twilight Son (GB). Sales history: €60,000 Ylg '21 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP-US & SP-Ire, 15-4-4-2, \$507,830. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-D. J. Stable LLC, Medallion Racing & Parkland Thoroughbreds; B-SCEA Marmion & Mr A. Jathiere (IRE); T-Mark E. Casse.

A SHAWN DUGAN Yearling Purchase





WARMING (f, 2, Global Campaign) becomes the second winner for her freshman sire. (click to watch)



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

9th-Churchill Downs, \$122,102, Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22.63, ft, neck.

MOST WANTED (c, 3, Candy Ride {Arg}--Beach Walk, by Distorted Humor), a half-brother to young WinStar stallion Life Is Good (Into Mischief), Hwt. Older Horse-UAE at 9 1/2-11f, MGISW, \$4,541,700, wasn't much of a secret here and was sent off as the 4-5 favorite for this unveiling. Not off to the cleanest of beginnings from his outside draw, Most Wanted broke inward and bumped into a rival at the start. He raced in fifth through fractions of :22.58 and :45.56 and began to make his move on the far turn. He loomed boldly while four wide approaching the quarter pole, but had to earn it from there. The pacesetting Mobster (Uncle Mo), making his sixth career start, dug down gamely in the stretch, but Most Wanted just kept on coming to get there by a well-earned neck. Commuted (Gun Runner) finished smartly from far back to finish third on debut for Kenny McPeek. A \$435,000 KEESEP yearling purchase by Gary and Mary West and a maiden of five career starts, the Aaron and Marie Jones-bred Beach Walk is also responsible for the 2-yearold colt Lifes Reward (Into Mischief), a yearling filly by Into Mischief and a filly of this year by Into Mischief. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$69,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Gary & Mary West; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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4th-Churchill Downs, \$121,125, Msw, 6-21, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:03.42, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

ECLATANT (f, 2, Into Mischief--Downside Scenario, by Scat Daddy) made her first start as a 9-2 shot here. The Stonestreet homebred was quickest out of the gate, but was shuffled to the middle of the pack up the backstretch. Launching her bid with a three-wide move around the far turn, the filly took over at the sixteenth pole from La Cara (Street Sense) and graduated by 1 3/4 lengths. The winner is a full-sister to Mutasaabeq, GSW & GISP, \$259,670. A \$1.15 million purchase by Stonestreet as the fifth highest return at the 2021 Keeneland November Sale while Eclatant was in-utero, Downside Scenario is responsible for a yearling colt by Quality Road and a newly minted filly by



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Curlin Apr. 29. This dam is a half-sister to UAE multiple group stakes winner Cool Cowboy (Kodiak Kowboy) and the dam of GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero White Abarrio (Race Day). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$69,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

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8th-Churchill Downs, \$118,875, Msw, 6-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23.39, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

COME AS YOU ARE (f, 3, City of Light--Fascinate, by Curlin), a well-beaten sixth on debut over track and trip May 25, took a major step forward at second asking here. The 9-2 chance pressed the longshot leader from second, turned up the heat on the far turn and kicked home while remaining on her left lead to graduate by 1 3/4 lengths. The winner's dam, a half-sister to GISW Dunbar Road (Quality Road), has also produced the 2-year-old filly Beautiful You (City of Light), a yearling filly by Nyquist and a colt by Jack Christopher of this year. Sales history: \$500,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$70,350. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Peach Bloodstock (KY); T-William I. Mott.

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Click on a **stallion's name** to learn more about them on their page on the farm's website. **2nd-Belmont The Big A, \$90,000, Msw**, 6-21, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:09.78, fm, 2 1/4 lengths. **WARMING (f, 2, Global Campaign--Haute Style, by Unusual**



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Heat) became the second winner for her freshman sire (by Curlin) with a smart debut score sprinting over the Big A lawn Friday. Drawn widest of all in post nine, the 5-1 chance was under a ride early and outsprinted in sixth. She began to advance beneath Manny Franco on the far turn and kicked home nicely to score by 2 1/4 lengths over favored Good Long Cry (Long On Value). Madeline Auerbach homebred Haute Style, a maiden of nine career starts, had a filly by Modernist in 2023. Sales history: \$35,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$22,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$49,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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1st-Belmont The Big A, \$87,300, Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:49.98, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

RISING INFLATION (f, 3, Mitole--Any Given Trace, by Any Given Saturday), a well-beaten third at Saratoga last summer, took nearly nine months off before trying the turf where she only missed by a length at Monmouth May 18. Returning to the dirt and sent off as a 7-2 shot here, the filly made the lead by the first turn and continued to set the tone up the backstretch. The 3-year-old hugged the rail around the far turn and poured on

the speed en route to a 4 1/4-length win over Save Time (Into Mischief). The second to race for her dam, Rising Inflation has a yearling half-sister by Good Samaritan. A half-sister herself to GSP Another Miracle (American Pharoah) and to the dam of SW Alpine Princess (Classic Empire), Any Given Trace visited Aurelius Maximus for this term. Sales History: \$92,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$200,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$66,850. **Click Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-J. Adcock & Hume Wornall (LA); T-Chad C. Brown.

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7th-Belmont The Big A, \$75,000, (S), Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:09.98, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

FABULOUS FOX (f, 3, Nyquist--Edith Court, by Pomeroy) flashed promise in her first pair of attempts against state breds when she was third over the Aqueduct turf in late October and the runner-up on the main track in early December. Tabbed as the favorite in her latest attempt Jan. 6, the filly faded to finish a distant fourth. Serving as the 8-5 chalk here, the 3-year-old took hold of the wheel from the bell and looked confident through the far turn. Asked for more speed past the eighth pole, Fabulous Fox cruised home to get her picture taken by 1 1/4 lengths over Capital Spending (Central Banker). The winner is a half-sister to White Chocolate (City of Light), SP, \$181,350. Herself a half-sister to MGISW Palace (City Zip), Edith Court is responsible for 2-year-old gelding Hamt Tuwaig (City of Light), who was sent to Saudi Arabia this year. She also foaled a filly by Knicks Go in 2023, but was not bred for this term. Sales History: \$270,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$68,450. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing & Brandon M. Dalinka; B-Jonathan Thorne (NY); T-Christophe Clement.

1st-Gulfstream, \$62,700, Msw, 6-21, 2yo, 5f (AWT), :57.72, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

GHOSTLY ROSE (c, 2, Battalion Runner--Let Right Be Done, by War Front), ignored on the board at 17-1 for this debut run, chased on the inside in sixth. He was angled out three wide and began to rally while racing greenly on the far turn and punched home nicely in the stretch to graduate by 2 3/4 lengths over Torch Is Passed (Munnings). Let Right Be Done had a filly by Battalion Runner in 2023 and a filly by Known Agenda in 2024. The winner's third dam is the sensational grass mare Memories of Silver (Silver Hawk). Sales history: \$3,500 Ylg '23 OBSWIN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$43,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-47 Roses, LLC; B-St. Elias Stables, LLC (FL); T-Javier Gonzalez.

2nd-Monmouth, \$55,275, Msw, 6-21, 2yo, 5f, :59.54, ft, 9 1/2 lengths.

NOBLE FORCE (c, 2, Cairo Prince--Guess What, by Proud Citizen) fired a three-furlong bullet from the gate in :35 2/5 (1/85) June 9 and was backed accordingly as the even-money favorite. He was hustled to the front from his inside draw and battled through an opening quarter in :22.77. The blinkered gray began to shake free in the stretch and left his five rivals in the dust to score by 9 1/2 lengths. St. Erling (Frosted) stayed on to finish second. Guess What, a daughter of Canadian Horse of the Year Biofuel (Stormin Fever), produced a colt by Highly Motivated earlier this year. Sales history: \$45,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$110,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Lea Farms, LLC; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Jorge Delgado.

1st-Monmouth, \$51,675, Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.87, ft, neck.

LADY LALA (f, 3, Girvin--Allyouneedislovin, by High Cotton),

third on debut while sprinting at Tampa Apr. 27, was backed as a 4-1 shot here. The bay skimmed the rail and dueled into the first turn with favorite Brookmesa (Sky Mesa). She put away her tired rival and looked firmly in control around the far turn. Lady Lala began to open up down the lane, but her margin evaporated as she was almost caught by the hard charge of first timer Fazools (Curlin). Allyouneedislovin gave the winner a younger full-sister and last year foaled a filly by Uncle Chuck. She was bred back to that sire for this season. Sales History: \$30,000 Ylg '22 OBSOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$36,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-DiBello Racing LLC; B-Kevin W McKathan (FL); T-Kathleen O'Connell.

8th-Monmouth, \$51,075, Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.99, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

CONFISCATED (c, 3, Arrogate--Aspiring {GSP, \$132,227}, by Seeking the Gold) was in the thick of things every step of his 5 1/2-furlong debut at Parx Apr. 30 and just failed as the 9-5 chalk. Looking to go one better here as the 21-10 pick, the dark bay colt was first to break the line, but ceded the advantage to a trio to his inside and chased from fourth into the turn. Given his cue three furlongs out, Confiscated was on even terms entering the stretch and kicked on nicely through the final furlong to score comfortably. Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa acquired GIII Bourbonette Oaks third Aspiring for \$160,000 in foal to Accelerate at the 2019 Keeneland November Sale. Her daughter Sweet Success (Candy Ride {Arg}), GSP, \$125,260, the dam of SW Gulf Coast (Union Rags), is a half-sister to the late MSP Happy Week (Distorted Humor), whose Grade I-winning **'TDN Rising Star'** son Happy Saver (Super Saver) stands at Airdrie Stud. This is the extended family of A.P. Indy, Summer Squall, Honor Grades, et al. Aspiring is also responsible for a yearling Kantharos filly and a filly by Army Mule foaled Apr. 30. Sales history: \$85,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$97,000 RNA 2yo '23 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$41,500. Click for the Equibase.com chart and VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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5th-Monmouth, \$48,125, Msw, 6-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.56, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

MAIN BEACH (g, 3, Into Mischief--Siren Serenade, by

Unbridled's Song), a well-beaten fourth on debut over Tampa's main track Apr. 20, was last seen trying the Oceanport grass course where he missed by a neck May 19. Supported as the 9-5 choice here, the gelding wrangled the lead from Paris Surprise (City of Light). Making every pole a winning one, the 3-year-old continued to hold sway around the far turn and outlasted his early rival to win by 1 1/2 lengths. His dam's last registered foal, the winner is a half-brother to Luminance (Tale of the Cat), GISP, \$218,858 and Stellar Sound (Tapit), MGSP, \$209,632, who was in-utero when Don Alberto paid \$1.025 million for Siren Serenade at the 2017 Keeneland January Sale. Siren Serenade, out of MGISW Versailles Treaty (Danzig), counts as half-brothers GISP Saarland (Unbridled) and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf victor George Vancouver (Henrythenavigator). Sales History: \$525,000 Ylg '22 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$39,920. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-CHP Racing & Jeffrey Drown; B-Don Alberto Corporation (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JUNE 22 2024 Stud Fees Listed

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Barkley (Munnings), El Dorado Farms 14 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Emerald Downs, 5:42 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Company Girl, 15-1

Bodexpress (Bodemeister), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$3,500 53 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 4-Pleasanton, 6:19 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Coracoracora, 15-1 \$8,000 NCA AU yrl

Dak Attack (Ghostzapper), Ocala Stud, \$2,500
10 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Gulfstream, 1:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Goshaki Goshaki, 30-1

Gift Box (Twirling Candy), Lane's End Farm, \$5,000 82 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 3-Emerald Downs, 5:42 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Summer Reign, 7-2 \$20,000 KEE SEP yrl

Oscar Nominated (Kitten's Joy), Lovacres Ranch 14 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Gulfstream, 1:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Abbey Theatre, 12-1

Phantom Boss (Shackleford), Lovacres Ranch7 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners3-Los Alamitos, 5:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Swift Harmony, 7-5\$3,000 CTB AJA yrl

Promises Fulfilled (Shackleford), WinStar Farm, \$5,000
28 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Pleasanton, 6:19 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Runnin On Promises, 6-1

Runaway Ghost (Ghostzapper), Double LL Farms 26 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Ruidoso Downs, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Alw 5f, Short Round Bound, 4-1

\$10,000 RUI NMY yrl

Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 123 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Emerald Downs, 5:42 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, A Thousand Miles, 5-2

\$15,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$27,000 OBS MAR 2yo 5-Churchill Downs, 2:46 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Missed the Turn, 8-1

\$45,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$72,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$25,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000 124 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners

1-Laurel, 12:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Thunder in Paris, 5-2 \$70,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$17,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Win Win Win (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Ocala Stud, \$5,000 54 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 2-Gulfstream, 1:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Popstyle, 7-2 \$130,000 OBS MAR 2yo

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JUNE 22 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$15,000 261 foals of racing age/51 winners/5 black-type winners 5-Cross Country Pick X, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$150K Wild Applause S. BAQ - R10, 1mT, Just Music, 7-2 \$70,000 FTK OCT yrl 3-Woodbine, 2:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Scat Girl, 8-1 \$65,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500 53 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners 13-Thistledown, 6:30 p.m. EDT, \$500K GIII Ohio Derby, 1 1/8m, Copper Tax, 7-2 \$45,000 FTK OCT yrl

Demarchelier (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Claiborne Farm, \$7,500 99 foals of racing age/26 winners/0 black-type winners 7-Canterbury, 9:10 p.m. EDT, \$50K Canterbury Derby, 1mT, Illustrator, 5-2

\$17,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$24,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 294 foals of racing age/64 winners/5 black-type winners 8-Woodbine, 5:08 p.m. EDT, \$100K Alywow S., 6 1/2fT, Stormcast, 2-1 \$40,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$95,000 OBS MAR 2yo



Solomini (Curlin), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, \$7,500 142 foals of racing age/23 winners/4 black-type winners 5-Belmontthe Big A, 2:36 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, New York Scrappy, 6-1 \$25,000 ETK OCT wel: \$110,000 OPS OPN 2vo

\$25,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$110,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Sporting Chance (Tiznow), A & A Ranch
45 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
7-Ruidoso Downs, 5:36 p.m. EDT, Alw 5f, Air Sport One, 5-1
\$22,000 RUI NMY yrl

Too Darn Hot (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud, \$65,000 245 foals of racing age/49 winners/8 black-type winners 5-Cross Country Pick X, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$150K Wild Applause S. BAQ - R10, 1mT, Oversubscribed (GB), 3-1 400,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000 309 foals of racing age/60 winners/4 black-type winners 13-Thistledown, 6:30 p.m. EDT, \$500K GIII Ohio Derby, 1 1/8m, Frizzante, 15-1 \$37,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl 5-Cross Country Pick X, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$150K Wild Applause S. BAQ - R10, 1mT, Vino Rouge, 6-1 \$180,000 KEE SEP yrl



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Churchill Downs, \$123,355, 6-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.04, ft, neck.

GOLD LUCK (c, 4, Goldencents--Countess d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: 24-5-6-3, \$364,603. O-Southwest Racing Stables Inc. & Triple V Racing, LLC.; B-Chuck & Maribeth Sandford (KY); T-Genaro Garcia. *1/2 to Majestic d'Oro (Speightster), SW-Can, SP-USA, \$195,683.

ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

8th-Belmont The Big A, \$102,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 6-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:35.67, ft, 1 length.

DAME CINCO (m, 6, Cinco Charlie--Lantern, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 28-7-6-2, \$373,002. O-Goldfarb, Sanford J. & Koshanostra Stables; B-Hartmut H. Malluche & Silesia Farm (KY); T-Richard E. Dutrow, Jr. *\$75,000 Ylg '19 FTKJUL; \$200,000 2yo '20 EASMAY. **1/2 to Lantiz (Tizway), SP, \$271,821. 8th-Laurel, \$63,630, 6-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.44, ft, 2 lengths. MS. BUCCHERO (f, 4, Bucchero--Give Glory to God, by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: 11-6-2-0, \$184,950. O-Morici Racing Stable, LLC; B-Pamela Edel (FL); T-Diane D. Morici. *\$45,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Red Crescent (Overdriven), SW, \$469,410.

7th-Monmouth, \$62,500, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 6-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.63, fm, neck.

IRISH RILL (g, 4, English Channel--Irish Sovereign, by Polish Numbers) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-0, \$102,756. O/B-Isabelle de Tomaso (NJ); T-Cathal A Lynch. *Full to Irish Strait, GSW, \$496,938; half to Irish War Cry (Curlin), MGSW & GISP, \$1,257,060.

ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

9th-Gulfstream, \$59,020, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-21, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.49, ft, 1 1/4 lengths. **HARRY'S ONTHEFLY (g, 4, Khozan--Fly Express, by Concorde's Tune)** Lifetime Record: 7-3-3-1, \$164,990. O/B/T-Herman Wilensky (FL). *1/2 to Harry's Ontheloose (Uncaptured), GSP, \$266,148.

6th-Laurel, \$48,900, (C), 6-21, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.21, fm, 2 lengths.

BARZINI (g, 4, Outwork--Hangingwithsonny, by First Samurai) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-2, \$117,625. O-Marie F. Trombetta and Three Diamonds Farm; B-Ponder Hill, Inc. (MD); T-Michael J. Trombetta. *\$33,000 Ylg '21 EASOCT; \$50,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

7th-Laurel, \$48,600, (C), 6-21, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.47, ft, 1 length.

FREEZE THE FIRE (g, 4, Friesan Fire--Scenario Analysis, by Exchange Rate) Lifetime Record: 12-3-4-1, \$138,710. O-Pepe Stable and J L M Jacona Stable; B-Carl Lanier (MD); T-Jose J. Magana.

ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

5th-Penn National, \$38,400, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 6-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.85, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

BACK FORTY (f, 3, Paynter--Raging Smoke {MSW, \$422,282}, by More Smoke) Lifetime Record: SP, 9-4-3-2, \$138,871. O-Harry Nye; B-Harry C. Nye (PA); T-Michael W. Salvaggio, Jr.

6th-Penn National, \$36,000, (S), 6-20, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.34, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

CAPT. CANDY (g, 5, Imagining--Be My Candy {SP, \$201,110}, by Candy Ride {Arg}) Lifetime Record: 25-5-6-1, \$183,095. O-I R Racing Stable; B-A. Delaperrier Stable LLC (PA); T-Kimberly A Graci. *1/2 to Golden Candy (Goldencents), MSP, \$525,147.

7th-Evangeline Downs, \$35,000, (S), 6-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:39.75, sy, 1/2 length.

TOMMIE G (f, 3, Court Vision--Adrianne G {MSP, \$346,012}, by Indygo Shiner) Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-2-4-1, \$127,100. O/B-Thomas M. Galvin (LA); T-Patricia G. West. *1/2 to A G's Charlotte (Mo Tom), MSW, \$469,410; Olivia G (Strong Mandate), MSP, \$202,234.

6th-Canterbury, \$32,220, 6-20, (C), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.23, yl, 1 1/4 lengths.

MY PARTNER GLEN (g, 4, Collected--Divine Beauty {SW, \$155,200}, by Divine Park) Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-2, \$49,118. O-Rocket Wrench Racing LLC; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Tony Rengstorf. *\$115,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$175,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

4th-Charles Town, \$27,400, 6-20, (NW2LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :50.87, ft, 6 lengths.

DIRECT THE CAT (f, 3, Redirect--Cat Thats Grey {SW, \$130,443}, by Fiber Sonde) Lifetime Record: MSW, 7-5-1-1, \$166,428. O-Beau Ridge Farm, LLC; B-John D. McKee (WV); T-Cynthia E. McKee.

5th-Charles Town, \$27,400, (S), 6-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18.81, ft, 7 1/4 lengths.

WHAT'SHERNAME (f, 3, Blofeld--Lov'emnrun, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$31,752. O/B/T-Leslie Cromer (WV). *1/2 to Runnin'toluvya (Fiber Sonde), GSW, \$1,101,975.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Complex Music, c, 2, **Complexity**--Auspiciously, by Malibu Moon. Churchill Downs, 6-21, (C), 5f, :59.11. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$42,330. B-Haymarket Farm LLC (KY). *\$35,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTKJUL; \$62,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$110,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR. **Sixth winner for freshman sire (by Maclean's Music).

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Moonlit Kiss, f, 3, Great Notion--Moonlit Song (MSW, \$404,840), by Fiber Sonde. Charles Town, 6-20, (S), 4 1/2f, :52.30. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$22,077. B-Timothy C. & Judith A. Grams (WV).

Go Irish, g, 3, **Irish War Cry**--Vada, by More Than Ready. Monmouth, 6-21, (S), 6f, 1:12.05. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$44,105. B-Isabelle de Tomaso (NJ).



Ecstasy, f, 3, Paynter--Annihilation (MSW, \$225,740), by Northern Afleet. Woodbine, 6-21, 7f (AWT), 1:24.12. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$56,124. B-Martha H. Buckner (KY). *\$32,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$24,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$32,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN.

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Strasse, c, 3, Street Sense--Modacious (SP, \$149,270), by Uncle
Mo. Churchill Downs, 6-21, (C), 6f, 1:10.63. Lifetime Record:
7-1-2-0, \$54,638. B-Mark Stansell (KY). *\$130,000 Wlg '21
KEENOV; \$195,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

Alvarado Cat, g, 3, Tale of the Cat--Indianella, by Indian Charlie. Evangeline Downs, 6-20, (S), 1m, 1:39.54. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$44,700. B-Jim & Natalie Montgomery (LA). *\$55,000 Ylg '22 LTBSYM. **1/2 to Gordy Florida (Cactus Ridge), MSP, \$246,680.

Nostalgic One, g, 4, **English Channel**--Mutabaahyia, by Animal Kingdom. Belmont The Big A, 6-21, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:45.14. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-2, \$50,155. B-Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY).

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Arrogate, Confiscated, c, 3, o/o Aspiring, by Seeking the Gold. MSW, 6-21, Monmouth

Battalion Runner, Ghostly Rose, c, 2, o/o Let Right Be Done, by War Front. MSW, 6-21, Gulfstream

Blofeld, What'shername, f, 3, o/o Lov'emnrun, by Not For Love. ALW, 6-20, Charles Town

Bucchero, Ms. Bucchero, f, 4, o/o Give Glory to God, by Mutakddim. ALW, 6-21, Laurel

Cairo Prince, Noble Force, c, 2, o/o Guess What, by Proud Citizen. MSW, 6-21, Monmouth

Candy Ride (Arg), Most Wanted, c, 3, o/o Beach Walk, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Cinco Charlie, Dame Cinco, m, 6, o/o Lantern, by Mineshaft. AOC, 6-21, Belmont The Big A

City of Light, Come as You Are, f, 3, o/o Fascinate, by Curlin. MSW, 6-20, Churchill Downs

Collected, My Partner Glen, g, 4, o/o Divine Beauty, by Divine

Park. ALW, 6-20, Canterbury

Complexity, Complex Music, c, 2, o/o Auspiciously, by Malibu Moon. MCL, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Court Vision, Tommie G, f, 3, o/o Adrianne G, by Indygo Shiner. ALW, 6-20, Evangeline

English Channel, Irish Rill, g, 4, o/o Irish Sovereign, by Polish Numbers. OCL, 6-21, Monmouth

English Channel, Nostalgic One, g, 4, o/o Mutabaahyia, by Animal Kingdom. MCL, 6-21, Belmont The Big A

Friesan Fire, Freeze the Fire, g, 4, o/o Scenario Analysis, by Exchange Rate. ALW, 6-21, Laurel

Girvin, Lady Lala, f, 3, o/o Allyouneedislovin, by High Cotton. MSW, 6-21, Monmouth

Global Campaign, Warming, f, 2, o/o Haute Style, by Unusual Heat. MSW, 6-21, Belmont The Big A

Goldencents, Gold Luck, c, 4, o/o Countess d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro. ALW, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Great Notion, Moonlit Kiss, f, 3, o/o Moonlit Song, by Fiber Sonde. MSW, 6-20, Charles Town

Imagining, Capt. Candy, g, 5, o/o Be My Candy, by Candy Ride (Arg). ALW, 6-20, Penn National

Into Mischief, Eclatant, f, 2, o/o Downside Scenario, by Scat Daddy. MSW, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Into Mischief, Main Beach, g, 3, o/o Siren Serenade, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 6-21, Monmouth

Irish War Cry, Go Irish, g, 3, o/o Vada, by More Than Ready. MSW, 6-21, Monmouth

Khozan, Harry's Onthefly, g, 4, o/o Fly Express, by Concorde's Tune. AOC, 6-21, Gulfstream

Mitole, Rising Inflation, f, 3, o/o Any Given Trace, by Any Given Saturday. MSW, 6-21, Belmont The Big A

Nyquist, Fabulous Fox, f, 3, o/o Edith Court, by Pomeroy. MSW, 6-21, Belmont The Big A

Nyquist, Stylish Sue, f, 3, o/o Maria Maria, by Curlin. ALW, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Outwork, Barzini, g, 4, o/o Hangingwithsonny, by First Samurai. ALW, 6-21, Laurel

Paynter, Back Forty, f, 3, o/o Raging Smoke, by More Smoke. AOC, 6-20, Penn National

Paynter, Ecstasy, f, 3, o/o Annihilation, by Northern Afleet. MSW, 6-21, Woodbine

Redirect, Direct the Cat, f, 3, o/o Cat Thats Grey, by Fiber Sonde. ALW, 6-20, Charles Town

Starspangledbanner (Aus), Papilio (Ire), f, 4, o/o Glafyra (Fr), by High Chaparral (Ire). AOC, 6-20, Churchill Downs

Street Sense, Strasse, c, 3, o/o Modacious, by Uncle Mo. MCL, 6-21, Churchill Downs

Tale of the Cat, Alvarado Cat, g, 3, o/o Indianella, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 6-20, Evangeline





'HE'S A MACHINE': INISHERIN DOMINATES THE COMMONWEALTH CUP



Inisherin | Megan Coggin

by Tom Frary

Emerging from the 2,000 Guineas to take the crown as Sprint King, Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum's **Inisherin (GB)** (Shamardal) put genuine star quality into a division that badly needed it when dominating Friday's G1 Commonwealth Cup at Royal Ascot. Doubts as to whether the long-striding homebred could adapt to this speed test on fast summer ground were instantly dispelled as he moved so comfortably near the front under Tom Eaves.

Allowed to coast to the lead two out, the 9-4 favourite, who could be the best that Kevin Ryan has had through his hands, was able to draw clear from there for a comfortable 2 1/4-length defeat of **Lake Forest** (No Nay Never). That G2 Gimcrack Stakes-winning seasonal debutante denied **Jasour (GB)** (Havana Grey {GB}) the silver medal by a head, with another 1 1/2 lengths back to **TDN Rising Star Kind Of Blue (GB)** (Blue Point {Ire}) in fourth on what was a highly commendable black-type debut.

"He's a machine," Eaves said of the winner, one of the last of the Shamardals who had served notice of his prowess in the G2 Sandy Lane Stakes following his sixth in the Guineas. **Cont. p3**

PORTA FORTUNA BEST IN STELLAR CORONATION STAKES by Sean Cronin

Donnacha O'Brien trainee and G1 1000 Guineas second **Porta Fortuna (Ire)** (Caravaggio--Too Precious {Ire}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), who won the G3 Albany Stakes on this day last year, doubled her elite-level tally when emerging best in a stellar renewal of Friday's G1 Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Last term's G1 Cheveley Park Stakes heroine raced in a handy third after an alert getaway and slipstreamed **Opera Singer** (Justify) from halfway as Juddmonte's **Skellet (Ire)** (Kingman {GB}) set the tone up front. Shaken up when angled to the outer for her bid approaching the final furlong, she engaged Opera Singer soon after and, inching ahead with 100 yards remaining, was driven out to deny that rival by a length. 1000 Guineas third and 15-8 favourite **Ramatuelle** (Justify) threatened inside the final quarter-mile and ran on to finish 1 1/2 lengths adrift in third, reversing form with Guineas heroine **Elmalka (GB)** (Kingman {GB}), who was 1 1/4 lengths away in fourth.

Porta Fortuna, who also annexed last term's G3 Naas Fillies Sprint, enjoyed a busy juvenile season and supplemented her pattern-race successes with placed efforts in the G1 Phoenix Stakes, G1 Moyglare Stud Stakes and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. Cont. p5



Porta Fortuna takes the Coronation | Megan Coggin

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CHAVEZ REGROUPS AFTER RUIDOSO FIRE DEVASTATION

Stefanie Grimm checks in with retired jockey Casey Chavez after the South Fork Fire swept through Ruidoso, New Mexico.

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Night Of Thunder (Ire)'s Fairy Godmother (Ire) closed with a scintillating rush to win the G3 Albany Stakes at Royal Ascot on Friday. Jockey Ryan Moore is pictured giving the 425,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate a pat after her heroics. See page 10. | Horsephotos

7 | AMERICAN TEAM CELEBRATES ASCOT REPEAT

The team behind Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio) were celebrating in the Royal Ascot winner's circle once again after their filly won the G1 Coronation Stakes.

8 | CALADANGAN IMPERIOUS IN KING EDWARD VII

The *Gleneagles (Ire)* gelding won the G2 King Edward VII Stakes in truly domineering fashion at Royal Ascot on Friday.

14 | ROYAL ASCOT FINALE ON TAP FOR SATURDAY

The fifth and final day of Royal Ascot features the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee S. and Tom Frary has the preview.

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G1 Commonwealth Cup Cont. from p1

He added, "I have ridden some good sprinters, Glass Slippers, Tangerine Trees, Brando, they've all been very good, but we all know how hard they are to come across. He has a lot of class

and is a unit of a horse, you see how long it took me to pull up."

"When I got off him after the Guineas, before I had even opened my mouth Kevin said he was a sprinter. The draw in one isn't exactly where you want to be, but he's a horse with a very good mind, is very relaxed, very uncomplicated and showed that in the way he went through the race. We knew we had something special at home and he's proved now that he's a special horse."

Starting at 50-1 for a mile maiden at Newmarket in



Inisherin leaves his rivals toiling | Horsephotos

September, Inisherin surprised a few by splitting the subsequent Listed Blue Riband Trial winner Bellum Justum (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and Ballydoyle's well-regarded Ortelius (Justify) in principal Elite Status (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}), it is hard to believe that there is a 3-year-old in Europe who could have taken him out of his comfort zone. **Cont. p4**

second, but it was on his 3-year-old bow at Newcastle in March

that he really shone. In beating Juddmonte's subsequent G2

Ribblesdale Stakes third Kalpana (GB) (Study Of Man {Ire}), he

recorded a mind-blowing :21.63-second final two furlongs of the

mile novice which meant that connections had to try the Newmarket Classic.

One of those who raced up front in the Guineas, which ran like a prolonged sprint this year, Inisherin was able to come back quickly from that experience and run the six furlongs of the Sandy Lane like a colt who had been campaigned over that trip several times. That was a softground affair and he had to race faster than he had in his life before here, but it all seemed so effortless. While this race happened without fellow market



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St James's Palace Stakes-winning relative Rosallion will remain in

training at four. "Inisherin had been working with sprinters and

and I want my horses to run next year."

passing them as if they were standing still," he said. "I like racing

G1 Commonwealth Cup Cont.

Kevin Ryan had a word of warning for those willing to take on his new sprinting luminary. "He improved from Haydock and I think he's going to get quicker and better at this job," he said.

"He's a joy to train, an absolute legend. It was a very easy watch. I was nervous about the ground going to Haydock, with it being soft, as he hardly bends his knees and it is very different ground here which always makes you nervous. He is a great-striding horse and Tom said they couldn't take him far enough."

"He has such a great temperament--most of these good horses have an edge to them, but he never gives me a moment's worry," he added. "We'll go to the July Cup now



Lake Forest, who ran a remarkable race on his comeback and was one of only two runners to record a sub-11second split. Rider Tom Marquand said, "After time off the track, it was going to be tough but he's an extremely tough horse. He's a Gimcrack winner--it's easy to forget what he did as a 2-year-old--but he's trained on beautifully and hopefully we'll have a lot of fun

with him during the rest of the

Clive Cox said of Jasour, "That was a great run. The winner was

The team behind the indomitable Inisherin | Horsephotos

and he's in the Maurice de Gheest and there's the Champions Sprint here as well later in the year."

Sheikh Mohammed Obaid revealed that the winner and his G1

impressive. Jasour just switched leads right before the line, which might have cost us second but he's run a blinder. I am thrilled he is going the right way." **Cont. p5**



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G1 Commonwealth Cup Cont.

He added, "I think we are close enough to warrant a kick at the July Cup, a race in which 3-year-olds have done really well in the past. That would be my first thought as they crossed the line and as long as he comes back okay from here, he's a horse who deserves to be in the top flight."

Pedigree Notes

Inisherin continues the remarkable story of his second dam Reem Three (GB) (Mark Of Esteem {Ire}), who is up to 13 foals produced with her first filly being the unraced Rosaline (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}) who in turn produced this year's leading miler Rosallion (Ire) by Shamardal's Blue Point (Ire). Her second was this colt's dam Ajman Princess, who captured the G1 Prix Jean Romanet and was second in this meeting's G2 Ribblesdale S., and every foal after has made an impact in black-type company.

They include Shamardal's Cape Byron (GB), who took the G3 Bengough S. over this course and distance, and Triple Time (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) who won last year's G1 Queen Anne S. here. Inisherin is Ajman Princess's second foal and first runner and after him is the unraced 2-year-old colt King Of Cities (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Lope De Vega (Ire).

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Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain

COMMONWEALTH CUP-G1, £725,750, Ascot, 6-21, 3yo, 6fT, 1:12.51, g/f.

1--INISHERIN (GB), 128, c, 3, by Shamardal

Designed

1st Dam: Ajman Princess (Ire) (G1SW-Fr, SW & MGSP-Eng, \$306,567), by Teofilo (Ire) 2nd Dam: Reem Three (GB), by Mark Of Esteem (Ire) 3rd Dam: Jumaireyah (GB), by Fairy King

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O/B-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum (GB); T-Kevin Ryan; J-Tom Eaves. £411,573. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$630,608. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--Lake Forest (GB), 128, c, 3, No Nay Never--Lady Aquitaine, by El Prado (Ire). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE**. (130,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Tony Bloom & Ian McAleavy; B-Sahara Group Holdings (GB); T-William Haggas. £156,036.

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3--Jasour (GB), 128, c, 3, Havana Grey (GB)--Twilight Thyme (GB), by Bahamian Bounty (GB). 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.
(£85,000 Ylg '22 GOFFUK). O-Al Mohamediya Racing;
B-Wardley Bloodstock (GB); T-Clive Cox. £78,091.

Margins: 2 1/4, HD, 1HF. Odds: 2.25, 12.00, 4.00. Also Ran: Kind of Blue (GB), Classic Flower (GB), Louis Barthas (Ire), Evade (Fr), Starlust (GB), Orne (Ire), Pocklington (GB), Pandora's Gift (Ire), Malc (GB), Military (GB), Givemethebeatboys (Ire). Scratched: Elite Status (GB).

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"Porta Fortuna is so uncomplicated and Tom [Marquand] gave her a lovely ride," the winning trainer said. "I was happy the whole way and everything went to plan. It's not too often you can say that, so I'm delighted. She has never missed a beat all along and she hasn't got the credit she deserves.

"She had two runs before Royal Ascot last year and has literally never missed a race since. She's incredibly sound and incredibly tough and it is a testament to all the team at home. Newmarket is tough. There are a few ridges, they go a hard gallop and there are no hiding places. I think a mile is probably her maximum because she's got so much speed. On a turning track like this, Tom was able to sit on her and use that turn of foot that she has. Races like the [G1] Falmouth might be in the plan. The owners are an American group so I'd say an end-of-year plan would be the Breeders' Cup."

Tom Marquand was in good form after registering his sixth winner at the Royal meeting and added, "Porta Fortuna is such a cool customer and made it extremely easy. She had that near miss in the [1000] Guineas and didn't really show much of a turn of foot that day. She looked like a grinder, but on this flatter surface and with something to aim at, she was electric from the two [furlong pole]." **Cont. p6**



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He added, "These rides are hard enough to come by, let alone to keep them, and I'm very fortunate to be on board her today. Donnacha and the team's family are woven into racing history, but they are a young team, in reality, so to be on one for them is fantastic. I think she is a bit underrated and it's an amazing training performance from Donnacha to bring a filly to back-toback Royal Ascots and get her head in front both times so spectacularly. She's a remarkable filly."

Medallion Racing's Phillip Shelton was fulsome is his praise for the winner and commented, "It's just unbelievable, all the credit goes to Donnacha and his team. Porta Fortuna ran a ton as a 2year-old, showed up every time, and ran huge in the Guineas. She loves it here, we love it here and it is an unbelievable experience. I think she's such a kind filly, she'll just relax and you



Tom Marquand hoists the Coronation trophy | Horsephotos

can do whatever you want. When it comes time she just lays it down on the line for you and that's all you can ever ask. She is the best we've got and I wish I had a barnful of horses like her, but they're hard to come by."

It was a positive result for Aidan O'Brien, despite the defeat of Opera Singer, and he played the role of proud father in the immediate aftermath. "I am so delighted for Donnacha, he has done an incredible job with the filly," he beamed.

Reflecting on the performance of the runner-up, he added, "We are delighted with Opera Singer. She ran a great race and Ryan [Moore] was over the moon with her. She wouldn't mind a little more juice in the ground and she would be very happy to go up in trip as well. She'll love going a mile-and-a-quarter. When Ryan got off her in Longchamp [after the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac] last year, he said, 'this is your Arc filly for this year'. When she moves up in trip, she's going to be really lovely."

Ramatuelle remains on her quest for that elusive first Group 1 and hit the board for the third time in as many starts at the highest grade. "She relaxed brilliantly and she was asleep in behind them," said rider Oisin Murphy. "We had planned to follow Maxime [Guyon aboard Rouhiya]. The pace wasn't that hot, but we didn't go very steady either. Round the turn, I thought that she would come alive and she did. She gave me a kick, but the last she had no more in the last half-furlong. A stiff mile here was a proper test for her."

Pedigree Notes

Porta Fortuna is the first of three reported foals produced by multiple winner Too Precious (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), herself a full-sister to multiple Group 2 winner and G1 Australian Cup runner-up Numerian (Ire) and G3 Prix Francois Boutin third Montesilvano (Ire). The January-foaled bay, who hails from the family of G1 St Leger-winning sire Milan (GB) (Sadler's Wells), is a half-sister to the once-raced 2-year-old filly Sorella Carina (Ire) (Ten Sovereigns {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Sottsass (Fr).

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Friday, Ascot, Britain

CORONATION S.-G1, £650,000, Ascot, 6-21, 3yo, f, 7f 213yT, 1:40.48, g/f.

1--PORTA FORTUNA (IRE), 128, f, 3, by Caravaggio

1st Dam: Too Precious (Ire), by Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) 2nd Dam: Delicate Charm (Ire), by High Chaparral (Ire) 3rd Dam: Kantikoy (GB), by Alzao

O-Medallion Racing, Steve Weston, Barry Fowler & Reeves Thoroughbreds; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Donnacha O'Brien; J-Tom Marquand. £368,615. Lifetime Record: GSW & MG1SP-Ire, GISP-US, 9-5-3-1, \$1,186,398. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the

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2--**Opera Singer**, 128, f, 3, Justify--Liscanna (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O-M Tabor/D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/Westerberg; B-Mrs E Stockwell (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien. £139,750.

3--**Ramatuelle**, 128, f, 3, Justify--Raven's Lady (GB), by Raven's Pass. (€100,000 Ylg '22 ARAUG). O-Infinity 9 Horses/C W Knok; B-Yeguada Centurion SL (KY); T-Christopher Head. £69,940.

Margins: 1, 1HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 3.50, 3.33, 1.88.

Also Ran: Elmalka (GB), See The Fire (GB), Folgaria (Ire), Skellet (Ire), Content (Ire), Rouhiya (Fr). Scratched: Devoted Queen (GB).

'THERE IS NO HIGHER LEVEL': AMERICAN TEAM CELEBRATES ASCOT REPEAT

By Emma Berry

ASCOT, UK — Back she came. A star on the rise this day last year and now one fully ascended to the highest grade possible. Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio) has truly been a lucky charm for her syndicate of American owners, who bought her after she had made just once successful start in the colours of her co-breeder, Annemarie O'Brien. Two starts later she won the G3 Albany Stakes, and now she is a winner at Royal Ascot once more in the G1 Coronation Stakes. The latter was the only one of the quartet not to have travelled to Ascot, but a group of 16 owners had made the pilgrimage and were royally rewarded, not least in meeting the King, who presented the Coronation Stakes trophies.

He continued, "Our goal is to bring people to the highest level and there is no higher level than this. It's just a testament to Donnacha and his team, and Tom [Marquand] gave her a great ride. And this filly: she breaks, she travels, she quickens, she tries. Everything you want in a racehorse, she does it."

Highly tried last year, Porta Fortuna didn't miss a beat, with two Group 1 placings before notching one of her own in the Cheveley Park Stakes and then running a close second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. Returning in the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket, she was only a neck behind the winner Elmalka (GB) at the line, and she reversed that form emphatically back at Ascot.

Shelton said, "She had a hardy two-year-old campaign and I wasn't sure she was going to train on. I got to see her in March and physically she looked a different horse, and I thought if you just go by how she looks physically, she is going to be better again this year. And again, testament to Donnacha, because that's come true."

Beaming away in the winner's enclosure along with the happy owners were Annemarie and Ana O'Brien, no doubt proud in equal measures of Donnacha's achievement and that of the filly they bred under their Whisperview banner. And Porta Fortuna is not the only graduate of their farm to have struck in group company at Royal Ascot this week, as the O'Briens also bred

For Philip Shelton, who manages Medallion Racing, one of the four different ownership entities in the Donnacha O'Brien-trained filly, this was a culmination of what he set out to do in encouraging partners to hop on board to race the best horses in the best company.

"My heart rate is still about 180," he said. "It is impossible to describe the feeling. I am so happy because we have partners who have never been here. We had a group here last year and some different guys here this year, and they get to see what it's all about."



The Porta Fortuna team with King Charles III Racingfotos.com

Shelton was advised in his initial investment in Porta Fortuna by Mark McStay, and his group co-owns her with Dean Reeves, Steve Weston and Barry Fowler. the family still. Porta Fortuna has been so consistent her whole career, she really is a great filly. Cont. p8

Thursday's G2 Ribblesdale Stakes winner Port Fairy (Ire) (Australia {GB}).

The winning trainer's sister, Ana O'Brien, who manages the family stud, said, "To even have a runner here is unbelievable, so to have two winners as a breeder is something you don't expect."

Porta Fortuna's dam Too Precious (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) was bought by Ana for €11,500 at the Goffs November Sale and has subsequently been sold.

She added, "We have some of



Ana, Annemarie and Aidan O'Brien, breeders of Porta Fortuna and Port Fairy | Emma Berry

Porta Fortuna Team Cont.

"It's brilliant for her owners, and for them to leave her with Donnacha has been great for him. He has done an amazing job with her."

And despite the wider O'Brien family's regular success at the highest level, does it taste even sweeter when that victory comes with a homebred?

"A hundred per cent – definitely," said Ana. "It means such a lot. There's a lot of work goes into it behind the scenes before they even go into training. It's really exciting and I am lucky that they trust me to take charge of a lot of it. We're doing our best." Share this story

CALANDAGAN FAR TOO GOOD IN THE KING

EDWARD VII by Tom Frary

Following his emphatic success in Friday's G2 King Edward VII Stakes, The Aga Khan's **Calandagan (Ire)** (Gleneagles {Ire}--Calayana {Fr}, by Sinndar {Ire}) can arguably lay claim to being France's leading middle-distance performer. While the G1 Prix du Jockey Club passed him by due to his gelding operation and the Arc is not for him for the same reason, the future looks bright for the Francis-Henri Graffard-trained homebred after his six-length success in this mile-and-a-half "Ascot Derby".

Rewarding a numerically-strong French Royal Ascot challenge this year by becoming the first from the country to win here since 2019, the 11-2 shot, who had won the G3 Prix Noailles and G3 Prix Hocquart, was in his element off the strong Ballydoyle-forged pace. Arriving at the front with menace under Stephane Pasquier passing two out, he surged away to win by daylight and record a time over a second faster than the older horses in the card's Duke of Edinburgh Stakes. Continuing a banner year for the breeding operation, he was followed home by **Space Legend (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}), who in turn had 1 3/4 lengths to spare over the third **Royal Supremacy (Ire)** (Make Believe {GB}).

"He is a fantastic horse--today he was perfect," Pasquier said. "The pace was fast enough to come from behind and everything was easy. He can be a naughty boy sometimes and we have to ask him nicely, but today he wanted to do it all and when he is like this, he is a fantastic horse. I didn't do anything, I just asked him to do it by himself."

Deauville's August Festival's juvenile races are always a rich source of future talent and the Prix de Montaigu chosen for Calandagan's debut saw the unveiling of two notables as he fell short behind the eventual G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero Metropolitan (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}). Any prospect of that event hosting a pair of future Classic winners was dashed after Graffard saw the necessity to geld the homebred despite the immense promise of his subsequent 10-length conditions win on Chantilly's Polytrack in October.



Calandagan zips home | Horsephotos

What followed this term, as he finished second in the Listed Prix Francois Mathet at Saint-Cloud and recorded his brace of group wins at ParisLongchamp, was obviously mere dress rehearsal for this tour de force in Berkshire as he finally had a ruthless tempo to run towards. Wayne Lordan may have got it right on **Chief Little Rock (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in the G3 Gallinule Stakes, but he over-cooked things this time to set it up for the closers. Among that contingent, there was only one true Group 1 horse and that was Calandagan as he roared through the final three furlongs in an impressive :36.02, scarily close to the :35.84 recorded by Porta Fortuna in the Coronation over half a mile shorter and over two lengths quicker than Auguste Rodin on Wednesday. **Cont. p9**



Calandagan after winning the King Edward VII | Megan Coggin

G2 King Edward VII Stakes Cont.

This was arguably the most impressive performance in this race for some time and connections would have greeted it with the customary mix of joy and ruefulness inevitable after a gelding does something so dramatic. "First time out at Deauville, he was very difficult to load and didn't want to try much, so we had no choice but to geld him," Graffard explained. "I am very impressed--it is just unbelievable how he quickened all the way. I was so down after Rouhiya earlier, but this horse did it very easily. He's not used to a big field like that, but he is very straightforward."

Princess Zahra Aga Khan was at hand to witness the display and added, "He has been improving over the last few months, but today he surprised all of us and has shown himself to be a very good horse. It is not one of our oldest families, but is a very consistent family.



Princess Zahra Aga Khan accepts the trophy after Calandagan's victory Horsephotos

"They tend to be a mile-and-a-half horses, but he has a turn of foot that is wonderful to see."

James Doyle said of Space Legend, who won the best-of-therest prize, "The winner's pretty special, isn't he? He quickened up well, but my fellow kept galloping so he'll stay. In time he'll get a bit further as well."

Pedigree Notes

Calandagan's finishing speed comes from his family, with the G3 Prix Minerve-placed dam Calayana descended from Jean-Luc Lagardere's Clodora (Fr) (Linamix (Fr) who recorded an extremely fast time when winning the Prix de l'Opera in its former guise as a Group 2 over nine furlongs 55 yards. She went on to produce Danehill's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero Clodovil (Ire) and the G3 Gordon Richards S. scorer and GI Arlington Million third Colombian (Ire) (Azamour {Ire}). The listed-placed third dam Clodovina (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) was responsible for Canndal (Fr) (Medicean {GB}), who had the speed to finish second in the GI Belmont Derby Invitational. Calayana's unraced 2-year-old filly is by New Bay (GB), while she also has a yearling filly by Zarak (Fr).

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Friday, Royal Ascot, Britain

KING EDWARD VII STAKES-G2, £273,000, Ascot, 6-21, 3yo, c/g, 11f 211yT, 2:29.11, g/f.

1--CALANDAGAN (IRE), 128, g, 3, by Gleneagles (Ire) 1st Dam: Calayana (Fr) (GSP-Fr), by Sinndar (Ire) 2nd Dam: Clariyn (Fr), by Acclamation (GB) 3rd Dam: Clodovina (Ire), by Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire) O-H H Aga Khan; B-His Highness The Aga Khan's Studs SC (IRE);

T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Stephane Pasquier. £154,818. Lifetime Record: MGSW-Fr, 6-4-1-1, \$314,669. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Space Legend (Ire), 128, c, 3, Sea The Stars (Ire)--Newton's Angel (Ire), by Dark Angel (Ire). 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.
 (€270,000 Wlg '21 GOFNO1; 150,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT).
 O-Wathnan Racing; B-Sunderland Holdings Inc (IRE); T-William Haggas. £58,695.
- 3--Royal Supremacy (Ire), 128, c, 3, Make Believe (GB)--Adelasia (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). (65,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Michael Blencowe; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-Andrew Balding. £29,375.
 Margins: 6, 1 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 5.50, 4.50, 40.00.
 Also Ran: Mondo Man (GB), The Euphrates (GB), Macduff (GB), Agenda (Ire), Harper's Ferry (GB), War Rooms (Ire), Diego Velazquez (Ire), Theory Of Tides (GB), Chief Little Rock (Ire), Voyage (GB), Defiance (Ire).

position, so all credit to her. She is a very good filly. Down at the

start she looked different class. She suggested that before she

ran, and when she won last time. Today, that was a big

FAIRY GODMOTHER POWERS TO ALBANY

TRIUMPH by Sean Cronin

Coolmore's G3 Naas Fillies Sprint victrix Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}--

Scintilating {GB}, by Siyouni {Fr}) looked booked for the also-ran slots in Friday's G3 Albany S. at Royal Ascot, but unleashed a spectacular burst inside the final furlong to double her pattern-race tally in impressive fashion.

The 425,000gns October Book 1 yearling and wellbacked 15-8 favourite raced off the pace, nestled in the pack, through halfway in this straight six-furlong dash. Bustled along passing the quarter-mile marker, she made an exaggerated manoeuvre to the stands'



performance."

Owner Michael Tabor was keen to sing the praises of Fairy Godmother's breeder, Paul McCartan, and commented, "I saw Fairy Godmother run last time and I said to Aidan, when you see that turn of foot, which she obviously has, you know she's a good animal. Today, she just showed how good she is. I want to mention the breeder, Paul McCartan, thanks to him. He knows how to breed, let's put it that way. It makes the adrenaline really high and that's what you look forward to.

Fairy Godmother | Megan Coggin

side approaching the final furlong and went through an array of gears--with Simmering (GB) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) in tow--to overhaul pacesetting stablemate Heavens Gate (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) in the dying embers. Arguably the juvenile performance of the meeting, Fairy Godmother's win was a fifth of the week for Aidan O'Brien and Ryan Moore.

"Ryan gave Fairy Godmother an incredible ride," the winning trainer said. "She's an incredible filly. We thought she couldn't get beat the first day, and couldn't believe she got beat. Ryan said he was just going to teach her and educate her the next day, and take his time on her, and she did the same thing.

"He came from an impossible position and won well on the line. We knew Ryan was going to produce her late and we knew she had a devastating turn of foot, because she showed it the last day [at Naas]. What she did then was very rare, but to come up another level and do it here is unbelievable. She's only going to get better with every race. She will get stronger, she will stay and she's very exciting.

"Ryan was supercool on her. He was worried where he was drawn [in stall six] and that he had no cover, which is why he was going to take his time. Ryan thought she was going to be a [G1] Moyglare filly, so seven [furlongs] would be no problem for her this year. She's obviously exceptional and our other filly, [third-placed] Heaven's Gate, ran a stormer."

Moore, once again, was his own biggest critic and added, "I gave Fairy Godmother an impossible task and she got me out of a hole. It's incredible that she was able to win from that

"We have many horses, we've had some good horses, and some fantastic horses. Hopefully, she's in the category of a fantastic horse, because they are the things you look forward to. When you have champions, with Aidan producing them like he does, then it's very exciting. Once it becomes not exciting, then it's over."

Reflecting on the performance of runner-up Simmering, Ollie Sangster said, "I am delighted, but it's tough to come so close. I've got a really good team at home and we were hopeful coming here. She'd done really well from her debut to here, and that's all you can do. I think she will stay seven [furlongs], but she has got a lot of speed and, hopefully, she can be a nice flag bearer for us this season."

Pedigree Notes

Fairy Godmother is the second of three foals and one of two black-type performers produced by a winning half-sister to G2 Richmond Stakes victor Prolific (Ire) (Compton Place {GB}) and the stakes-winning Deal Breaker (GB) (Night Shift). The Marchfoaled chestnut is a half-sister to last term's Listed Julia Graves Roses S. third Sketch (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}) and a yearling filly by Mehmas (Ire). Fairy Godmother's third dam Zoom Lens (Ire) (Caerleon), whose descendants include G1 Middle Park Stakes third Steady Pace (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), is a half-sister to the dam of G1 Gran Criterium hero Hello (Ire) (Lycius).



Team Fairy Godmother after the Albany | Horsephotos

Friday, Ascot, Britain

ALBANY S.-G3, £125,000, Ascot, 6-21, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:13.48, g/f. 1--FAIRY GODMOTHER (IRE), 128, f, 2, by Night Of Thunder (Ire) 1st Dam: Scintilating (GB), by Siyouni (Fr)

2nd Dam: Photo Flash (Ire), by Bahamian Bounty (GB) 3rd Dam: Zoom Lens (Ire), by Caerleon

(425,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT). O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Mrs John Magnier; B-Ballyphilip Stud (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £70,888. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ire, 3-2-1-0, \$138,310. *1/2 to Sketch (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}), SP-Eng. Werk Nick Rating: A+. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Simmering (GB), 128, f, 2, Too Darn Hot (GB)--Cashla Bay (GB), by Fastnet Rock (Aus). **1ST BLACK TYPE**; **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE**. (70,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT). O-Mrs B V Sangster, Justin Casse & Dr J Berk; B-Lofts Hall Stud (GB); T-Ollie Sangster. £26,875.
- 3--Heavens Gate (Ire), 128, f, 2, Churchill (Ire)--Itqaan, by Danzig. 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Mrs John Magnier; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. £13,450.

Margins: 3/4, NK, 2 3/4. Odds: 1.88, 9.00, 8.00. Also Ran: Mountain Breeze (Ire), California Dreamer (GB), Royalty Bay (Ire), Twafeeg (Ire), Cradle Of Love (Ire), Jayvee (Ire), Substitute (Ire), Hot Darling (Ire), Convo (Ire), Nad Alshiba Snow (Ire), Kylie Of Lochalsh (Ire), Peregrine Falcon (Ire), Burning Pine. Scratched: Liberalised (GB).

5th-Ascot, £**110,000**, **Hcp**, 6-21, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:40.75, g/f.

SOPRANO (IRE) (f, 3, Starspangledbanner {Aus}--Lealas

Daughter {Ire}, by Excelebration {Ire}), who hit the board in Musselburgh's June 1 Listed Queen of Scots Fillies' Stakes when last seen, settled towards the rear of the stands' side group through the early stages of this Sandringham Handicap. Under wraps until angled into the open passing the two pole, the 14-1 chance made relentless headway under pressure thereafter and was driven out inside the final furlong to usurp Strutting (GB) (Frankel {GB}) by a half-length in the dying strides. "Saying that this filly has been unlucky wouldn't quite quantify it, but huge credit has to go to Harry [Herbert]," said trainer George Boughey. "We had a long phone conversation the other morning and I wanted to go to Carlisle and Harry wanted to come to Ascot. Soprano has been a filly we've always held in really high regard. She hit the line so strong at Musselburgh, so I phoned Harry and said we've got the try the mile. Huge credit must go to Charles Eddery. He's ridden her since she came to us as a yearling. She's been a bit keen and a bit numb, and has taken a while to relax at home. Billy [Loughnane] did a great job settling her. She's coming of age now, just like her jockey." Soprano, half to a yearling colt by Starman (GB), is the first of two foals out of an unraced half-sister to GI Breeders' Cup Sprint and dual GI Shoemaker Mile hero Obviously (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}). The February-foaled chestnut's third dam Silver Bubble (Silver Hawk) is an unraced full-sister to four black-type performers headed by multiple Grade I-winning sire Hawkster and G1 Prix de la Salamandre third Silver Kite. Sales history: €45,000 Wlg '21 GOFNO1; 100,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Eng, 9-2-1-4, \$141,096.

O-Highclere Thoroughbred Racing (Da Vinci); B-Empire Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-George Boughey.





Soprano | Megan Coggin

7th-Ascot, £**110,000**, **Hcp**, 6-21, 3yo, 5fT, :59.60, g/f. PILGRIM (GB) (g, 3, Havana Grey {GB}--Hot Secret {GB}, by Sakhee's Secret {GB}), who routed a Musselburgh handicap field by 5 1/2 lengths and more at the beginning of the month, was under restraint in mid division, racing in the centre-track group after an alert exit in this Palace of Holyrood House Handicap. Bounding into contention once past halfway, the 18-1 chance joined the front rank entering the final furlong and was driven out to prevail by a half-length from Blue Storm (GB) (Blue Point {Ire}). "We have liked Pilgrim a lot since he was a 2-year-old," said winning rider Joe Fanning. "I thought it was a weak race at Musselburgh, but he got hammered in the handicap [weights] and I was kicking myself to have won by that far. We changed tactics today, to get a lead, as it's hard to make it here. He travelled so comfortably all the way and won really well. I like his attitude, he is genuine and very straightforward. This is his trip and he's sharpened up a bit since last year. He was gelded over the winter and he's filled out. It's great to get another winner here, they are hard to come by." Pilgrim is the sixth of seven foals and one of three scorer out of a winning half-sister to G2 Mill Reef victor Temple Meads (GB) (Avonbridge {GB}) and G3 Firth of Clyde runner-up Sneak Preview (GB) (Monsieur Bond {Ire}). His dam Hot Secret (GB) (Showcasing {GB}) is also kin to the dam of G2 Sandy Lane winner El Caballo (GB) (Havana Gold {Ire}), the stakes-winning Avengers Queen (GB) (Brazen Beau {Aus}) and the dual Group-placed Symbology (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}). The February-foaled grey is a half-brother to the unraced 2-year-old filly Secret Dreamer (GB) (Due Diligence). Sales history: £65,000 Ylg '22 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-3, \$127,607.

O-Digby Atkinson; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud (GB); T-David & Nicola Barron.



Pilgrim | Megan Coggin

4th-Ascot, £110,000, Hcp, 6-21, 3yo/up, 11f 211yT, 2:30.56, g/f. CRYSTAL BLACK (IRE) (g, 6, Teofilo {Ire}--She's Our Mark {GB} {MGSW-Ire, GSP-Eng, \$688,445}, by Ishiguru), sent off at 11-1 for this Duke of Edinburgh Stakes having won four handicaps at The Curragh in his last five starts, raced in mid-pack early. Delivering a sustained effort down the outer from the home turn, the son of the talented She's Our Mark (GB) (Ishiguru) stayed on strongly to gain the lead 150 yards out and score by 2 1/4 lengths from Epic Poet (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). The winner is the last foal out of the aforementioned dam, who captured the G3 Give Thanks S., G3 Desmond S. and G3 Meld S. and three listed contests and was placed on several occasions in black-type races. She has produced the listed-placed Titanium Sky (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), whose 2-year-old daughter Sparkling Sea (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) was runner-up to the Albany sensation Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) in last month's G3 Coolmore Stud Irish EBF Fillies Sprint S. Sales history: €45,000 RNA Ylg '19 GOFFEB; 35,000gns HRA '22 TATAHI. Lifetime Record: 18-6-0-2, \$263,333. O-Wear A Pink Ribbon Syndicate; B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd (IRE); T-Gerard Keane.



Crystal Black | Megan Coggin

TALKING POINTS: MOMENT OF WEEK AS KEANE FAMILY LIGHT UP ASCOT WITH

BLACK By Brian Sheerin

You can keep your fashionistas, foodies, royal processions and Group 1 races. Give me the scenes that followed the success of Crystal Black (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) in the Duke Of Edinburgh Stakes any day of the week instead.

Win, lose or draw, the Wear A Pink Ribbon Syndicate who own Crystal Black came to Ascot for a party. **Cont. p13**



Colin Keane embraces his father Gerry after Crystal Black lit up the royal meeting with victory | Racingfotos.com

Royal Ascot Talking Points Cont.

Boy did their rapidly progressive gelding provide them with something to celebrate and the scenes that followed his success for the father and son team of Gerry and Colin Keane will go down as many people's highlight from the week.

Gerry is the definition of a small trainer. Described as a "salt of the earth fella" by one of the syndicate members shortly after the race, the County Meath-based handler operates with a select number of horses.

For him to hit the back of the net with a Dermot Weld castoff is the stuff of dreams. For his son Colin to partner the winner added ten-fold to the experience.

"He's just an unbelievable horse," Gerry said afterwards, before joking, "and the gossen wasn't too bad either!

"I can't believe it. I never thought I'd be at Royal Ascot. The nearest I thought I'd get to it would be watching it on telly. It's great."

The gossen, of course, rarely gets it wrong. He's the perennial champion jockey in Ireland and has ridden his share of big-race winners–including Classics and Group 1s–but Keane described Friday's success for his father as being up there with his best moments in the game.

"That's as good a kick as I've ever gotten out of riding a winner–especially for the old man. I can't put it into words and I'm sure he won't be able to, either, but it's a very special day."

Guineas Winners Looking Vulnerable

After Notable Speech (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) bombed out in the St James's Palace, Elmalka (GB) (Kingman {GB}) confirmed the suspicion that the Guineas form is open to interpretation when finishing outside of the frame in the Coronation Stakes.

It's hard to see Notable Speech finishing ahead of the St James's Palace winner Rosallion, who finished second to him in the 2,000 Guineas, again this season.

Similar applies to Elmalka, who probably benefited from a pace collapse in the fillies' Classic. She ran with credit in the Coronation but was never a threat to Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio).

There's no doubt that the Guineas form is holding up but it appears as though the beaten horses from Newmarket have improved past the respective winners.

Big Bets Landed On The O'Brien-Trained Runners

If you're fond of betting content, Simon Nott is worth a follow on X. His blogs are engaging and provide an insight as to what goes on in the betting jungle at all of the big meetings. Nott shared four six-figure bets from the Star Sports pitch this week.

The first was £100,000 on Auguste Rodin (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) at 13-8. Bingo. The second was another £100,000 at 2-1 Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}). Nice. The third? You guessed it. Another £100,000 on an Aidan O'Brien-trained runner, this time Opera Singer (Justify). No dice.

The same punter [presumably] went in again on Diego Velazquez (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) and, while he was beaten, is showing profit $\pounds162,500$ for the week which is, eh, better than most [and me!].

McCartan Brothers Having A Beano

Don't say you weren't told. Just as Jim McCartan told us that Thursday's Norfolk winner Shareholder (Not This Time) was above average before selling the colt at Arqana, his brother Paul said similar in these pages about the Albany winner Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}).

On a serious note, Jim and Paul have knocked it out of the park this week. Hats off, gentlemen. **Cont. p14**



Crystal Black and Colin Keane | Horsephotos

Inisherin An Important Stallion Prospect

Fair play to Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, who revealed that Commonwealth Cup winner Inisherin (GB) (Shamardal), Elite Status (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) and Rosallion would be staying in training next year.

But when Inisherin does go to stud, there is no doubt that he will make an important stallion. The influence of Shamardal has been seen all week through the exploits of Blue Point (Ire) and more.

Being from the last crop of the late stallion, Inisherin will undoubtedly be popular. Hopefully there is a lot more to come on the track before that day arrives.

Old Dog For The Hard Road

Youth has been to the fore this week at Ascot with Donnacha O'Brien, George Boughey and Billy Loughnane bagging winners but wasn't it cool to see Joe Fanning getting in on the action when partnering Pilgrim (GB) (Havana Grey {GB}) to victory in the Palace Of Holyrood House?

Fanning is not someone you would associate with banging in sprint winners but, in doing so, the 53-year-old showed he can still mix it with the younger guns. He's a great advertisement for longevity.

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Country:	Wins:
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RACE PREVIEWS

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS IN OPEN QUEEN

ELIZABETH II JUBILEE by Tom Frary

With Highfield Princess (Fr) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) sadly no longer with us and Shaquille (GB) (Charm Spirit {Ire}) retired, Europe's sprint category is in something of a lull at present. Elite-level performers are thin on the ground for Saturday's G1 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes at Royal Ascot, with the best of them being **Kinross (GB)** (Kingman {GB}) who will be racing on ground that is quicker than ideal. When it comes to the baker's dozen tackling Marc Chan's standard-setter, it will probably be a case of who peaks on the day and who gets the throw of the dice in this high-speed game of jeopardy.

At present, Peter Harris's **Mill Stream (Ire)** (Gleneagles {Ire}) shades favouritism probably due to his G2 1895 Duke of York Stakes success being so fresh, but short-term memory is never a good thing when it comes to the hardy perennials that make up this division. Just 12 months ago, **Khaadem (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) came back into bloom at odds of 80-1 that would have seemed ludicrous 11 months earlier as he conquered Goodwood's G2 King George Stakes. Only in October, King Power's beloved veteran **Art Power (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) put it all together in the G1 British Champions Sprint Stakes, having often failed at the top level before, offering those with enough guile the bargain SP of 40-1.

Mill Stream's rider William Buick is aware that he is on one of the more promising types with his future ahead of him. "He did well to win at York--it was a messy race and he should have won by further," he said. "Ascot's going to suit him and I think the sprint division is open at the moment. If you can mark up his Duke of York performance he's in with a shout, definitely."

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Kinross | Horsephotos

Saturday Previews Cont.

Ralph Beckett has Kinross in a different place than 12 months ago and said, "He ran a bit fresh and saw a bit too much daylight when he was seventh a year ago, so we'll be holding on to him longer and riding him to finish. Hopefully he'll be competitive, but it's a difficult one as it's really all about the second half of the year."

Charlie Hills, who has Khaadem and also the G2 Greenlands Stakes winner **Mitbaahy (Ire)** (Profitable {Ire}) for Fitri Hay, warned that the 2023 winner is no spent force despite some indifferent form in the interim. "Khaadem hasn't really had his conditions since last year," he said. "He loves fast ground, every time we've run him since it's been soft and he loves it rattling. He's won some very good races during his career, including a Stewards' Cup and a King George at Goodwood and a Palace **Shartash (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). In the wilderness at three, the horse that beat Blackbeard (Ire) (No Nay Never) in the 2022 G2 Railway S. has been sweetened up by Archie Watson and handed his confidence back with a brace of wins over seven furlongs including in Haydock's Listed Spring Trophy, there

Wathnan's racing adviser Richard Brown said, "He's ended up with Archie Watson, who has gelded him and I think that has been the making of him. He has won twice this year at seven, but I think he will be at his best at the six-and-a-half point, so I think the stiff six at Ascot will be perfect for him. It's obviously a big step up in class and we will find out if he is up to this level."

A Continuous Success Story

Ballydoyle have conquered the Royal meeting again this week and their representative in the G2 Hardwicke Stakes,

House at Newmarket, so he's certainly got it in his locker when he gets his ground."

"Mitbaahy seems to be improving at the moment, I was delighted with his last win and he's been as good as gold really since then," he added. "He beat a couple of Group 1 horses in Ireland and I think Ascot should suit him well, as he obviously got the stiff six well at the Curragh."

Keep Believing

If the ground stays as it is, the winner is going to

have to run close to 72 seconds for the six furlongs and that proved beyond Kinross in last year's edition and it may be that a run in Tuesday's G1 King Charles III Stakes will act as the sharpener that last year's G1 Haydock Sprint Cup third **Believing** (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}) needs. George Boughey talked about his intention to back up Highclere Thoroughbred Racing's improving 4-year-old at this meeting following her authoritative win in the June 8 Listed Achilles Stakes over five furlongs at Haydock, so toughness is obviously in rich supply and such a constitution will carry her a long way.

Is the Real Shartash Back?

Wathnan Racing has definitely been favoured by the Royal Ascot gods so far and the operation have a fascinating contender for this in the formerly high-class Aga Khan cast-off



Continuous (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), is arguably one of the best of the team. Coming through in the St Leger in September, he ended up being fifth in the Arc shortly after and it will be fascinating to see how he fares this term given that connections believed that he would progress with age and experience. Ryan Moore expects him to come forward for this return effort and said, "He is a very brave horse with the best form, but he will improve for the race." Aidan O'Brien added,

Continuous | Getty Images

"We're very happy with him and he's had two days away. We maybe didn't have the clearest run with him in the winter and the spring and he'll improve from the run, but he is ready to win and he's a lovely, straightforward, honest horse. We think this is a lovely race to start him back in, but we do think he will really come forward from the run."

If Continuous is not yet firing on all cylinders, there is room for others to take advantage with one of the more obvious ones being Qatar Bloodstock and Ciaron Maher's **Middle Earth (GB)** (Roaring Lion). Seventh behind the Ballydoyle colt in the Leger, he has race-fitness to aid his cause having won the G3 Aston Park Stakes at Newbury last month where the Doncaster Classic third **Desert Hero (GB)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) was a disappointing fifth. **Cont. p16**

He Can Make the Cut

This race also sees John Sadler come to Ascot for the first time with the 2022 Golden Gates Stakes winner **Missed The Cut** (Quality Road), who has strong claims as a triple Grade III winner at Santa Anita. He has the sunshine to help and he is right in the mix on all known form. "This will be a first for me and I've won internationally before, I've won in Dubai and won Breeders' Cups and my last trip here was to pick up the Longines award with Flightline," his trainer said. "We had such a good trip to London last time, I said it would be fun to run a horse at Royal Ascot and we have the right horse with the right ownership group. A lot of things fell in line that meant it looked like a fun thing to do."

"We tried to make Missed The Cut a little bit of a dirt horse last year, but he wasn't at his best so now we have put him back on turf and has run four really nice races this year. You can see on his form he has no problem with American distances and has run over a mile and a half over there many times. We know he can run this trip and another thing that is lovely this week is the weather is gorgeous."

A River Runs Through it

A fascinating G3 Jersey Stakes is staged on Saturday, with

Aidan O'Brien looking for more Royal Ascot glory with last year's G2 Coventry Stakes winner **River Tiber (Ire)** (Wootton Bassett **{GB}**). Third in a hot-looking G1 Irish 2,000 Guineas on his seasonal bow last month, the **TDN Rising Star** has ground to make up on the runner-up **Haatem (Ire)** (Phoenix Of Spain {Ire})) but is expected to have moved forward considerably for that reintroduction. He also looks to emanate one of the stable's past stars Mozart (Ire), who came from a placing in the Curragh Classic to win this before going to on to land the big sprints.

"He would not have been out of place in the St James's Palace Stakes after a very encouraging third in the Irish Guineas on his return, but we thought this was a very good spot for him," Ryan Moore said. "As we saw last season, he doesn't lack pace and last year's Coventry winner looks the clear form pick in this along with Haatem. Haatem finished over a length in front of us in Ireland, but he carries a penalty here."

The Frankel Factor

Haatem's three-pound penalty means that he comes here on the back foot, but the drop back to seven might play to his strengths while Juddmonte have their G1 Middle Park Stakes runner-up **Task Force (GB)** (Frankel {GB}) who didn't stay the mile of the 2,000 Guineas. **Cont. p17**



Task Force will try his hand in the G3 Jersey Stakes on Saturday | Racingfotos.com

Saturday Preview Cont.

Also in the famed silks is Frankel's half-brother Kikkuli (GB) (Kingman {GB}), so this is a key race for the operation.

"We just felt he was maybe a little bit weak at that stage and with him being a May foal, he had only just turned three when he ran in the Guineas and he was probably just going through a bit of a growth spurt and looked a little on the weak side in the parade ring," racing manager Barry Mahon explained. "Ralph [Beckett] has been happy with him since and the drop back to seven furlongs I don't think will be an inconvenience. He was a staying on second in the Middle Park over six, so I think seven will be a nice trip for him and we're looking forward to seeing him back in action."

Of Kikkuli, who was runner-up in the Listed Heron S., he added, "He was still learning his trade at Sandown and the ground had probably just got a little soft. We had no great worries about ease in the ground to be honest, but I just felt that day it blunted his speed a little bit. The winner got away from him and Ryan didn't give him a hard time. I think he will have learned plenty from that and he will come on again." Leopardstown maiden-winning **TDN Rising Star Bedtime Story** (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) to go to war with. Ryan Moore is happy she can make her mark in a race the stable has won six times, including with the filly September (Ire) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) who used the same maiden as a springboard in 2017. "You couldn't have asked for more from her than a smooth win on her debut at Leopardstown and the fourth has come out and won well since," he said. "I rode in the race and I thought it went like a decent contest and she did it very well. You'd expect her to improve on that run and she clearly has a good chance."

Charlie Appleby has not enjoyed a fruitful week, but he brought Pinatubo (Ire) here in 2019 and there was a lot to like visually about the Yarmouth debut of the stable's **Age Of Gold** (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) last month. Another of interest is Teme Valley and Ciaron Maher's Leicester maiden winner **Pentle Bay** (Ire) (New Bay {GB}) in a race that can be hit-and-miss coming so soon for the juveniles who are less precocious than those bred for sprint trips.

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A Familiar Story?

In the Listed Chesham Stakes, Ballydoyle have their





MEHMAS FILLY SHINES IN OCEANPORT

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This week's column is highlighted by the victory of Tax Implications in the Eatontown Stakes last weekend.

Papilio Takes Churchill Affair

GII Appalachian Stakes heroine Papilio (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}) won at Churchill Downs on Thursday (video). Trained by Mark Casse, the 4-year-old is owned by D. J. Stable, Medallion Racing and Parkland Thoroughbreds.

Bred by SCEA Marmion and Alain Jathiere, the bay was a €60,000 purchase out of the Argana August Yearling Sale by Shawn Dugan from the draft of Haras de la Louviere. During her five-race Irish campaign for some of the Coolmore partners and trainer Fozzy Stack, she was second in the Listed Churchill Stakes at Tipperary in May of 2022. Out of the unraced Glafyra (Fr) (High Chaparral {Ire}), Papilio is a half-sister to a yearling colt by Twilight Son (GB). Her dam is a half-sister to group winners

Mehmas's Tax **Implications Lands Eatontown**

The duo of Chad Brown and Klaravich Stables combined to send out Tax Implications (GB) (Mehmas {Ire}) to win the GIII Eatontown Stakes at Monmouth Park last Saturday (video).

Bred by Aoife Kent, the chestnut filly was originally a 75,000gns foal when put the Tattersalls December Foal Sale by Mickley Stud, with JC



Tax Implications | Sarah Andrew

Bloodstock signing the ticket. The daughter of Country Madam (Ire) (Medaglia d'Oro) brought 250,000gns from Mike Ryan when re-offered by Mountain View Stud during Book 1 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale. Tax Implications has earned an additional four stakes placings besides her Eatontown win, and Country Madam is a half-sister to a pair of stakes winners, with pride of place given to multiple group winner and young sire Invincible Army (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}).

Mehmas's American record now stands at 14 winners from 23 runners (61%). The Tally-Ho Stud-based son of Acclamation (GB) also has five stakes winners there to his credit (22%), with Going Global (Ire) and Chez Pierre (Fr) both Grade 1 winners.

George Vancouver

Balius (Ire) (Mujahid) and

Coolmore's reverse shuttle

Gelding Wins American Debut

Divin Propos (Fr) (George Vancouver) earned the third win of his career at Santa Anita recently for trainer Phil D'Amato (video).

Raced by Madaket Stables, Panic Stable and William Strauss, the Listed La Coupe de Marseille third bore the silks of Jim Kelly earlier in his career through seven French starts, winning two of them for trainer Bruno de Montzey. Sold to his current owners-with Mandore International Agency acting on their behalf when a €150,000 Argana Arc Sale graduate last September--Divin Propos was bred by Haras du Puy Bouillard. Cont. p19



Making Waves Cont.

His dam visited the winner's circle eight times, and the bay is kin to the listed winner and group-placed Sysmo (Fr) (My Risk {Fr}).

George Vancouver, who was last reported to be standing in France, has just two runners Stateside. Besides the winner, La Feve (Fr), third in the GIII Sweetest Chant Stakes, is his other representative.

Without Parole's Full-Brother Graduates Beneath Twin Spires

Rebel Red (GB) (Frankel {GB}), who is raced by his breeder John Gunther with Eurowest Bloodstock Services, got off the mark making his first start beyond a mile at Churchill Downs on Sunday (video).The colt was a 360,000gns buy-back during Book 1 of the Tattersalls October sale in 2021, and made his first two starts in England for Ralph Beckett before being shipped to America.

The son of Without You Babe (Lemon Drop Kid) is a halfbrother to GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile winner Tamarkuz (Speightstown), stakes winner and GIII Athenia Stakes third She's Got You (GB) (Kingman {GB}), and a full-brother to G1 St James's Palace Stakes winner and Newsells Park Stud sire Without Parole (GB). Without You Babe, in turn, is a half-sister to three stakes winners, with multiple Grade I winner and sire Stay Thirsty (Bernardini) the best of them.

Juddmonte's Frankel needs no introduction, and Rebel Red was his 29th winner in the U.S. from 57 runners (51%). An even dozen of his progeny has won stakes (21%), with all three of his Grade I winners scoring in either the Breeders' Cup or ultra competitive New York circuit.



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Unit Economics | Coglianese Photography

Showcasing Gelding Scores In New York

Another Klaravich Stables runner, **Unit Economics (GB)** (Showcasing {GB}), has been knocking on the door of a maiden win, and joined the ranks of winners with a one-length victory during the ongoing Belmont at the Big A meeting for trainer Chad Brown earlier this month (video).

Bred by Mickley Stud and D Willis, the chestnut is out of the dual winner Cherubic (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), and is her second foal and one of three winners. Consigned by Mickley Stud to the Tattersalls December Foal Sale, he brought 110,000gns from Peter and Ross Doyle, before being re-offered by Pier House Stud at the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale Book 1, and catching the eye of Mike Ryan for 200,000gns. This is the extended family of U.S. Champion Juvenile Filly Phone Chatter (Phone Trick).

Whitsbury Manor Stud's Showcasing has an admirable record in America, having sired 14 winners from 26 runners for a strike rate of 54%. Among his runners there are six stakes winners, anchored by the Grade II-winning trio of Projected (GB), Prize Exhibit (GB) and Bodhicitta (GB). The latter pair have both placed at the highest level.

Wootton Bassett Filly Shines In Indiana

Augustin Stables' **Kahuraru (Fr)** (Wootton Bassett {GB}) prevailed at first asking at Horseshoe Indianapolis on Monday for trainer Jonathan Thomas.

The daughter of Perle Rare (Distorted Humor), picked up for \$425,000 by Nicoma Bloodstock from Runnymede Farm, was bred by Haras d'Etreham, Yacatec SARL and Cofinvest. A halfsister to the Listed Prix Aymeri de Mauleon winner Perseverants (Fr) (Zoffany {Ire}), the winner is a granddaughter of Group 2 winner Peinture Rare (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Cont. p20

Making Waves Cont.

She, in turn, is a half-sister to European champion and sire Peintre Celebre (Nureyev), who won the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, and two other stakes winners.

Coolmore's Wootton Bassett celebrated his 17th winner in America with Kahuraru's win (51%) from 33 runners. Breeders' Cup winners Audarya (Fr) and Unquestionable (Fr) are two of his seven stakes winners in that jurisdiction (21%).

Empress Reigns At Monmouth

Denford Stud homebred **Eastern Empress (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) found the Monmouth Park turf to her liking with a three-length win on June 15 (video). Christophe Clement has been her trainer of record after five starts in Britain for John and Thady Gosden.

The 12th offspring of the stakes-placed Darshaan (GB) mare Intrigued (GB), the 4-year-old filly is a half-sister to stakes winners Michelangelo (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) and Private Secretary (GB) (Kingman {GB}), with the former third in the G1 St. Leger. Another sibling, the Dansili (GB) mare Curious Mind (GB), is the dam of St. Leger hero Galileo Chrome (Ire) (Australia {GB}).

Darley's Dubawi is responsible for 42 winners from 82 runners (51%) in the U.S. His 22 North American stakes winners (27%) include 10 Grade I winners (12%). Among that elite bunch are Breeders' Cup winners In Italian (GB), Master Of The Seas (Ire), Modern Games (Ire), Yibir (GB), Rebel's Romance (Ire), Space Blues (Ire), and Wuheida (GB).

Repeat Winners:

It has been over a year since **Belouni (Fr)** (Fast Company {Ire}) featured in Making Waves when winning the Woodhaven Stakes, but the gelding was back in the winner's circle during the Belmont at the Big A meeting earlier this month for trainer Chad Brown (video). The Michael Dubb, Madaket Stables, Michael Kisber and William Rucker-owned runner was making his 12th lifetime start.

Laurence Goichman's **Alluring Angel (GB)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}) returns to this column for the first time since taking an Aqueduct allowance last November. Successful at the Belmont at the Big A meeting on Thursday (video), the dual stakes-placed daughter of All Of Me (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) is trained by Chad Brown.

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Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) was tabbed as a "TDN Rising Star"

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EUROPEAN NEWS

AMY JO HAYES LEADS BARNEY CURLEY APPRENTICE SERIES

Apprentice Amy Jo Hayes leads the Barney Curley apprentice series, Horse Racing Ireland announced on Friday. Hayes has won the first two races--at Roscommon last month and at Gowran Park on June 3.

There are four more races in the series restricted to apprentices who have ridden less than 20 winners. The remaining races are scheduled for Bellewstown on July 4, Naas on July 24, Down Royal on Sept. 6 and Bellewstown on Oct. 2. Points are awarded for each race first through 10th (25, 18, 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 3, 2, 1). For the winning apprentice, they receive a €2,000 voucher, an additional 10 equuip-funded hours with a jockey coach, a one-on-one tuition at RACE for one day, high performance analysis with jockey strength and conditioning coach Wayne Middleton and physiotherapist Gavin Egan, the RACE mobile unit visits the apprentice's yard to provide onsite training for all staff, a session with Dr Ciara Losty, sports psychologist, and a one-to-one financial literacy session from Gateway consultants. For the second- and third-place finishers, they receive a €250 voucher each.

Alan Delany, vice-chair of Bellewstown Racecourse, said, "We believe this apprentice race series is a fitting legacy to the memory of Barney Curley who was globally renowned and respected for his nurturing, mentoring and coaching of young apprentice jockeys over many decades."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, June 22, 2024: UNITED KINGDOM

Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud 112 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 14:20-REDCAR, 5f, Mr Lightside (Ire) £45,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2024

Elarqam (GB) (Frankel {GB}), Izmit Stallion Station 31 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 14:30-ASCOT, 110K The Chesham Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)7f, Metro Dubai (Fr) Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud
101 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
14:30-ASCOT, 110K The Chesham Stakes (Class 1) (Listed
Race)7f, Hot Like Me (Ire)
42,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud
87 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
19:30-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, Keep Singing (Ire)
€3,500 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2023

Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Haras d'Etreham
101 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
14:10-NEWMARKET, 7f, Royal Alliance (Fr)
€105,000 Arqana Deauville February Mixed Sale 2023;
300,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud
109 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
14:20-REDCAR, 5f, Lady Luzon (Ire)
€80,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Sands of Mali (Fr) (Panis), Ballyhane Stud
98 foals of racing age/5 winners/1 black-type winner
16:10-AYR, 6f, Copacabana Sands (Ire)
€7,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud 121 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners 19:10-HAYDOCK PARK, 7f, High On Hope (GB) 40,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; £30,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Yeomanstown Stud
103 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
14:30-ASCOT, 110K The Chesham Stakes (Class 1) (Listed
Race)7f, Brian (Ire)
€8,500 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; 6,000gns RNA
Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023
14:30-ASCOT, 110K The Chesham Stakes (Class 1) (Listed
Race)7f, Shocker (Ire)
4,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

Sottsass (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Coolmore Stud 97 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 14:30-ASCOT, 110K The Chesham Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)7f, Defence Missile (Ire) €55,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

FRANCE

Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Haras d'Etreham
101 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Olya (Ire)
€70,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022; €22,000
Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Romanised (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot 84 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 3-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Storia Di Roma (Fr) €8,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud
121 foals of racing age/7 winners/2 black-type winners
1-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Time Goes On (GB)
75,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; €145,000 Goffs
Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Threat (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), Haras du Mont Goubert
42 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
2-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Sicilian Threat (Fr)
€12,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2023

Van Beethoven (Scat Daddy), Karwin Farm 33 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 1-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, The Hummingbird (Fr) €2,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2023 2-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Vivre Libre (Fr) €15,000 Arqana Deauville Yearling Sale V2 2023



Yafta | Haras de la Haie Neuve/Sabine Losch

Wooded (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), Haras de Bouquetot 80 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 3-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, El Chiripa (Fr) €8,000 RNA Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022; €18,000 Arqana Deauville Yearling Sale V2 2023 2-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Slava Oukraini (Fr) €16,000 Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022 2-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Wellington Premier (Fr) €8,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Haie Neuve
26 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
3-COMPIEGNE, 1400m, Polo Baby (Fr)
€15,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale 2023

OBSERVATIONS on the European racing scene

NEXT STEP FOR TDN RISING STAR ANCIENT TRUTH

14.10 Newmarket, Novice, £10,000, 2yo, 7fT

ANCIENT TRUTH (IRE) (Dubawi {Ire}) earned TDN Rising Star status over six furlongs on debut here in a race that has produced winners and Charlie Appleby opts to stay close to home with the son of the G2 Prix du Calvados scorer Beyond Reason (Ire) (Australia {GB}). A stablemate of last year's winner Ancient Wisdom (Fr) (Dubawi {Ire}), who went on to win the G1 Futurity Trophy, he takes to the July Course in preparation for the upcoming G2 Superlative S.

13.23 Compiegne, Debutantes, €30,000, 2yo, f, 7fT

LHAKPA (IRE) (Siyouni {Ire}) is a half-sister to the G3 Prix la Rochette winner and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere third Beauvatier (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}) who cost €650,000 at Arqana Deauville August. Representing Everest Racing and the Yann Barberot stable, she takes on nine peers including the Niarchos Family's Astral Way (GB) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), a Francis-Henri Graffard-trained relative of Animal Kingdom.

HOW THEY FARED

17.05 Ascot, Hcp, £110,000, 3yo, f, 8fT

Tim Porter's **Kitty Rose (GB) (Invincible Army {Ire})**, second to G1 Irish 1000 Guineas runner-up A Lilac Rolla (Ire) (Harry Angel {Ire}) in April's G3 Priory Belle last time, closed from off the pace to finish four lengths behind the winner in this Sandringham Handicap.

19.45 Newmarket, Novice, £10,000, 3yo, 10fT **RHETORICAL (IRE) (Wootton Bassett {GB})**, the half-brother to the GI Joe Hirsch Turf Classic winner Rockemperor (Ire) (Holy **Roman Emperor {Ire})**, was unable to build on his debut win and was second-best to the regally-bred newcomer Burrito (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}).

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BRITAIN

Friday's Results:

1st-Newmarket, £**10,000**, **Novice**, 6-21, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:25.43, gd. **BINIORELLA BAY (GB) (f, 2, New Bay {GB}--Elmetto {GB}, by Helmet {Aus})**, runner-up on debut over this trip at Lingfield last month, tracked the leaders early. Sent to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the even-money favourite drew away to score by 2 1/4 lengths from Bintabuha (Ire) (Ghaiyyath {Ire}). The winner is the first foal out of a granddaughter of the G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Bianca Nera (GB) (Salse) from the family of Dubawi's multiple Group 1 winner Postponed (Ire). Her yearling colt is by Ulysses (Ire), while she also has a filly foal by Gleneagles (Ire). Sales history: 50,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$8,551.

O-HPB Racing - Hilguy; B-Meon Valley Stud (GB); T-Tom Clover.

4th-Newmarket, £10,000, Novice, 6-21, 3yo, 10fT, 2:10.09, gd. BURRITO (GB) (c, 3, Lope De Vega {Ire}--Thistle Bird {GB} {G1SW-Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, G1SP-Fr, \$577,634}, by Selkirk), the sixth foal out of the G1 Pretty Polly S.-winning dam, raced behind the early pace. Cajoled to the front approaching the furlong marker, the 7-1 shot stayed on to beat Rhetorical (GB) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) by half a length. The dam, who also captured two editions of the G3 Princess Elizabeth Stakes and was placed in the G1 Nassau Stakes and G1 Prix de l'Opera, is responsible for the G3 Valiant Stakes winner Jumbly (GB) (Gleneagles {Ire}), the G3 Thoroughbred Stakes winner and G1 Futurity Trophy runner-up Epictetus (Ire) (Kingman (GB)) and the dual Australian stakes-placed Bullfinch (GB) (Kodiac {GB}). A daughter of the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest-placed Dolma (Fr) (Marchand de Sable) and half to the G1 Cantala S. runner-up McCreery (GB) (Big Bad Bob {Ire}), her yearling colt is by Frankel (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,523.

O/B-George Strawbridge (GB); T-John & Thady Gosden.



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1st-Goodwood, £15,000, Mdn, 6-21, 2yo, 5fT, :58.11, gd. SOLDIER'S HEART (GB) (c, 2, Havana Grey {GB}--Dotted Swiss {Ire}, by Swiss Spirit (GB), runner-up to G2 Coventry fifth Al Qudra (Ire) (No Nay Never) going six furlongs at Lingfield in his June 4 debut last time, broke well and stalked the pace in a handy third from the outset of this turf bow. Looming large at the quarter-mile pole, the 4-11 lock hit the front approaching the final furlong and was ridden out to account for Invincible Song (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) by an impressive 3 3/4 lengths. Soldier's Heart is the second foal and scorer produced by a multiple-winning daughter of Luxuria (Ire) (Kheleyf), herself a half-sister to stakes-winning G3 Princess Margaret Stakes and GIII Appalachian Stakes placegetter Sweepstake (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}). Sweepstake, in turn, is the dam of G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud hero Broome (Ire) (Australia {GB}), G2 Futurity Stakes and G2 Huxley Stakes victor Point Lonsdale (Ire) (Australia {GB}) and last term's G2 Golden Fleece Stakes winner Diego Velazquez (Ire) (Frankel {GB}). The February-foaled grey is a full-brother to G3 Prix de Cabourg victor Elite Status (GB) and half to a yearling filly by Showcasing (GB). Sales history: 82,000gns Wlg '22 TADEWE; 425,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$11,982.

O-Victorious Racing; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud (GB); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Tactician (GB), c, 3, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Fly The Flag (GB), by Australia (GB). Goodwood, 6-21, 14fT, 3:04.28. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$9,937. B-Denford Stud Ltd (GB).
- Midnite Storm (Ire), c, 3, Night Of Thunder (Ire)--Merry Jaunt, by Street Sense. Redcar, 6-21, 10f 1yT, 2:05.81. Lifetime Record: 8-1-4-1, \$25,555. B-Tally-Ho Stud (IRE). *110,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. **1/2 to Companion (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), SP-Eng.

IRELAND

Friday's Results:

5th-Down Royal, €15,000, Mdn, 6-21, 2yo, 7fT, 1:31.48, gd.
IOWNTHEBALL (GB) (c, 2, Advertise {GB}--Kenyan Cat {GB}, by
One Cool Cat), runner-up to the subsequent winner
Orchidaceae (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) on debut at The Curragh last
month, raced a touch freely early tracking the pace. Looming on
the front end approaching the furlong pole, the 9-4 favourite
readily asserted to record a 1 1/2-length verdict over Kodi's
Angel (Ire) (Kodi Bear {Ire}). The winner is the last known foal
out of the dam, whose daughter Zim Baby (GB) (Roderic

O'Connor {Ire}) was placed at listed level. Sales history: 15,000gns Wlg '22 TADEWE; €19,000 RNA Ylg '23 TATIRY; €7,500 RNA Ylg '23 GOAUYR; €10,000 2yo '24 GOFFEB. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$12,066. O/T-Kevin Prendergast; B-D R Botterill (GB).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shamrock Breeze (Ire), f, 2, Ardad (Ire)--Ikigai (GB) (SP-Fr), by Sayif (Ire). Down Royal, 6-21, 5fT, 1:00.71. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$13,248. B-Farmleigh Bloodstock Ltd (IRE). *€38,000 Ylg '23 TATIRY; £100,000 2yo '24 GOUKB.

FRANCE

Friday's Results:

PRIX LA MOSKOWA-Listed, €**52,000**, Saint-Cloud, 6-21, 4yo/up, 15fT, 3:35.77, vsf.

- 1--ANGEL GUIDANCE (GB), 126, f, 4, Mastercraftsman (Ire)-Above The Clouds (Fr), by High Chaparral (Ire). O-Wertheimer
 & Frere; B-Dayton Investments Ltd (GB); T-Andre Fabre;
 J-Hugo Besnier. €26,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, €59,850.
- 2--Bel Et Bien (Fr), 126, g, 4, Hunter's Light (Ire)--Ring My Bell (Fr), by Turtle Bowl (Ire). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Ecurie La Perrigne (FR); T-Paul de Chevigny. €10,400.
- 3--The Good Man (Fr), 126, h, 7, Manduro (Ger)--So Good (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). O-Adrian Pratt, Martin Ingram, Peter David Anwyl-Harris, Stephane Wattel & Suc. Lord Clinton; B-SARL Haras de Saint-Faust, Haras d'Idernes & SAS Gerard Larrieu (FR); T-Stephane Wattel. €7,800.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 3.90, 1.30, 2.90. Also Ran: Zulu Warrior (Fr), Galego Star (Fr), Magic Merlin (Fr). Scratched: Mononof (Fr), Amneris (Fr).

Angel Guidance, last seen making a black-type breakthrough in ParisLongchamp's May 5 Listed Prix Gold River, continued on a winning roll in this stamina test. Breaking smartly and afforded a soft lead until turning for home, she came under pressure with 500 metres remaining and was ridden out in the latter stages to comfortably hold Bel Et Bien by 1 3/4 lengths.

Angel Guidance is the second of five foals and the leading performer from three winners out of a sibling of stakes-winning G1 Prix de Diane, G1 Prix Saint-Alary and GI Diana S. runner-up Argentina (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). The March-foaled dark bay, whose fourth dam is decorated champion Allez France (Sea-Bird II {Fr}), is a half-sister to the unraced 2-year-old filly Tranquility (Fr) (New Bay {GB}) and a yearling filly by Persian King (Ire). **Video, sponsored by FanDuel TV**.



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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

7th-Marseille-Borely, €**38,000, Cond**, 6-21, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:02.30, sf.

MON BEL CANTO (FR) (g, 6, The Wow Signal {Ire}--Monatora {Fr}, by Hector Protector) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 30-9-8-5, €208,346. O-Nicolas Saltiel, Free Man Racing, Ecurie Laborde & Ecurie Valencia; B-Haras de la Haie Neuve & SAS Regnier (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *€60,000 Ylg '19 ARQAUG; €60,000 RNA 3yo '21 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Francesco Bere (Fr) (Peer Gynt {Jpn}), MSW-Fr, \$130,939; Hurricane (Fr) (Hurricane Cat), SW-Fr, \$124,680.

5th-Marseille-Borely, €30,000, Cond, 6-21, 3yo, 8 1/2fT, 1:43.26, sf.

CAMBACERES (IRE) (c, 3, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Baine {Fr} {SW & G1SP-Fr, \$247,889}, by Country Reel) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 6-2-1-1, \in 46,250. O-Ecuries Serge Stempniak & Pierre van Belle; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm (IRE); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. * \in 50,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG; \in 100,000 2yo '23 ARQMAY. **1/2 to Qatar Dream (Ire) (Makfi {GB}), GSP-Ity, \$344,302.

1st-Saint-Cloud, €**28,000, Cond**, 6-21, 3yo, 6fT, 1:17.74, sf. **BEST OF LIGHT (FR) (f, 3, City Light {Fr}--Double Variance {Fr}, by Orpen)** Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-3, €60,900. O-Mme Isabelle Corbani & Haras d'Etreham; B-SARL Jedburgh Stud & Mme Isabelle Corbani (FR); T-Stephane Wattel. *€20,000 Ylg '22 ARQFEB.

Sth-Saint-Cloud, €27,000, Cond, 6-21, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:17.31, vsf.
FORZA CAPITANO (FR) (g, 9, Captain Marvelous {Ire}--Fantasia {Ger}, by Monsun {Ger}) Lifetime Record: SW & MGSP-Fr, 50-8-5-6, €287,458. O/B-Georg Kern (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.
*Full to Flaming Star (Fr), SP-Fr.

7th-Saint-Cloud, €**27,000, Cond**, 6-21, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:43.56, vsf.

VERT LIBERTE (IRE) (g, 6, Muhaarar {GB}--Rose Et Noire {Ire}, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 23-7-2-2, €98,652. O-DS Pegas; B-Ecurie des Charmes (IRE); T-Dalibor Torok. *€32,000 Ylg '19 ARQOCT.

8th-Saint-Cloud, €**19,000, Cond**, 6-21, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:45.15, vsf.

COMBERMERE (FR) (g, 8, Makfi {GB}--Coiffure {GB}, by King's Best) Lifetime Record: 44-8-3-2, €129,040. O-Daniel Dumoulin; B-Peter Robert Spiller (FR); T-Jonathan Leroy.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Felice E Granada (Ity), f, 2, Chestnut Honey (Ire)--Remember Me (GB), by Acclamation (GB). Milan, 6-21, Rcl., 1400mT, 1:29.00. O/T-Melania Cascione. B-N/A (Ity). *2nd winner for her freshman sire (by No Nay Never).

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TAKARAZUKA KINEN by Alan Carasso

Elite-level racing in Japan for the first half of the season comes to a close this weekend with the running of the G1 Takarazuka Kinen, being contested this year at Kyoto Racecourse due to ongoing renovations at its normal home at Hanshin. The 2200metre contest will earn the winner a fees-paid berth into the GI Longines Breeders' Cup Turf at Del Mar in early November.

The Takarazuka Kinen is one of two fan-voted events on the JRA calendar annually, and its leading votegetter **Do Deuce (Jpn)** (Heart's Cry {Jpn}) will take a fair bit of beating. The mount of Yutaka Take, the 5-year-old--winner of the 2022 G1 Tokyo Yushun--was fourth to Equinox (Jpn) (Kitasan Black {Jpn}) in the G1 Japan Cup before powering home in the G1 Arima Kinen the following month. Near-enough favoured in the G1 Dubai Turf at Meydan Mar. 30, he sat an inside trip and was bottled up for a good portion of the run home, finally breaking free to close strongly for fifth. **Cont. p25**

Takarazuka Kinen Preview Cont.

"He returned to Japan without any problems, and has had a break at Northern Farm Shigaraki," said trainer Yasuo Tomomichi. "In training at the end of last month, his times were faster than I thought. More recently, he's been moving well in his work with other horses, despite the pace not being that quick."



Do Deuce | JRA photo

Justin Palace (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) also made the trip over to Dubai a few months ago, where he finished fourth in an oddly run G1 Dubai Sheema Classic. Third to Equinox in this event last season, he was second to the Horse of the Year in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) over a 2000-metre trip shy of his best and fourth in the Arima Kinen.

"He's having his usual training routine, now that he's recovered from the trip to Dubai," said trainer Haruki Sugiyama.

"He's more mature mentally now, and if he stays calm, we'll be able to increase his workload a bit more from now."

Bellagio Opera (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), second to Pradaria (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}) in the G2 Kyoto Kinen in February, sat handy to the pace in the G1 Osaka Hai and just prevailed in a three-way go. The two horses behind him had far inferior trips and are in the discussion this weekend. Rousham Park (Jpn) (Harbinger {GB}) made a sweeping move around horses down the back of the track and sat three deep into the lane while just failing to get home, while Rouge Eveil (Jpn) (Just a Way {Jpn}) was forced to pick her way through in the straight and may not have had the cleanest of passages.

The X-factor in the Takarazuka Kinen is **Struve (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), who capped a three-race winning streak with a last-gasp success in the G2 Meguro Kinen on the Japanese Derby undercard May 26. This is easily his stiffest test to date.

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Saturday, Ascot, Britain, post time: 15:45

QUEEN ELIZABETH II JUBILEE S.-G1, £1,000,000, 4yo/up, 6f 0y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Art Power (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	King Power Racing Co Ltd	Tim Easterby	David Allan	131
2	Jumby (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Anthony Pye-Jeary & David Ian	Eve Johnson Houghton	Charles Bishop	131
3	Khaadem (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Mrs Fitri Hay	Charles Hills	Oisin Murphy	131
4	Kinross (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Marc Chan	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	131
5	Mill Stream (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	P W Harris	Jane Chapple-Hyam	William Buick	131
6	Mitbaahy (Ire)	Profitable (Ire)	Mrs Fitri Hay	Charles Hills	Jamie Spencer	131
7	Quinault (Ger)	Oasis Dream (GB)	TJE Racing	Stuart Williams	Richard Kingscote	131
8	Shartash (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Archie Watson	James Doyle	131
9	Shouldvebeenaring (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Middleham Park Racing XVIII	Richard Hannon	Sean Levey	131
10	The Wizard Of Eye (Ire)	Galileo Gold (GB)	R Humphrey/O Humphrey/A Favell	Charlie Fellowes	Ryan Moore	131
11	Washington Heights (GB)	Washington DC (Ire)	Hambleton Racing Ltd XXVII	Kevin Ryan	Tom Eaves	131
12	Believing (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Highclere Thoroughbred Racing (Jane Addams)	George Boughey	Daniel Tudhope	128
13	Swingalong (Ire)	Showcasing (GB)	Sheikh Juma Dalmook Al Maktoum	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	128
14	Vadream (GB)	Brazen Beau (Aus)	D R J King	Charlie Fellowes	Kieran Shoemark	128

Breeders: 1-Owenstown Bloodstock Ltd, 2-Ballylinch Stud, 3-Yeomanstown Stud, 4-Lawn Stud, 5-Redpender Stud Ltd, 6-N Hartery, 7-, 8-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC, 9-Whitsbury Manor Stud, 10-M Phelan, 11-Bearstone Stud Ltd, 12-M Mullen & Cloneymore Farm, 13-Mountarmstrong Stud, 14-Crispin Estates Ltd

Saturday, Ascot, Britain, post time: 15:05

HARDWICKE S.-G2, £250,000, 4yo/up, 11f 211y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Candleford (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Barnane Stud	William Haggas	William Buick	129
2	Continuous (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	129
3	Crypto Force (GB)	Time Test (GB)	Amo Racing Ltd	Adrian Murray	Rossa Ryan	129
4	Desert Hero (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	HM The King & HM The Queen	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	129
5	Elegant Man	Arrogate	Amo Racing Ltd	Adrian Murray	David Egan	129
6	Goliath (Ger)	Adlerflug (Ger)	Baron Philip Von Ullmann	Francis-Henri Graffard	Maxime Guyon	129
7	Isle Of Jura (GB)	New Approach (Ire)	Victorious Racing	George Scott	Callum Shepherd	129
8	Middle Earth (GB)	Roaring Lion	Qatar Bloodstock & Ciaron Maher	John & Thady Gosden	Oisin Murphy	129
9	Missed The Cut	Quality Road	Babington/LEF/St Elias/Hudson/Luxus	John W Sadler	James Doyle	129

Breeders: 1-Barnane Stud Ltd, 2-Wynatt & Chelston Ireland & Orpendale Bloodstock, 3-W A Tinkler, 4-Queen Elizabeth II, 5-KatieRich Farms, 6-Gestut Schlenderhan, 7-Godolphin, 8-The Roheryn Partnership, 9-Framont Ltd

Saturday, Ascot, Britain, post time: 16:25

JEF	ERSEY SG3 , £150,000, 3yo, 7f 0y							
SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT		
1	Haatem (Ire)	Phoenix Of Spain (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Richard Hannon	James Doyle	132		
2	Boiling Point (Ire)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum	Roger Varian	Tom Marquand	129		
3	Chicago Critic (GB)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Sam Mencoff & Tony Smurfit	Johnny Murtagh	Ben Coen	129		
4	Dark Tornado (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Paul Kwok & Ms Angel Li	James Horton	John Egan	129		
5	Eben Shaddad	Calyx (GB)	HRH Prince Faisal Bin Khaled & Najd Stud	John & Thady Gosden	Kieran Shoemark	129		
6	El Bodon (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	P W Harris	Jane Chapple-Hyam	David Egan	129		
7	Indian Run (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Bronte Collection 1	Eve Johnson Houghton	Charles Bishop	129		
8	Kikkuli (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Harry Charlton	Oisin Murphy	129		

9	Kortez Bay (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Joanne Lavery/John Lavery	Ms Sheila Lavery	Robert Colgan	129
10	Mountain Bear (Ire)	No Nay Never	Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/DSmith	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	129
11	Native American (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Wathnan Racing	Richard Fahey	William Buick	129
12	Never So Brave (Ire)	No Nay Never	Saeed Suhail	Sir Michael Stoute	Saffie Osborne	129
13	Night Raider (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Clipper	Karl Burke	Daniel Tudhope	129
14	River Tiber (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Tabor/Smith/Magnier/Westerberg/Brant	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	129
15	Son (GB)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Mrs J Wood	Richard Hannon	Pat Dobbs	129
16	Take Me To Church (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	S Flurry	Jack Davison	Ronan Whelan	129
17	Task Force (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Juddmonte	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	129
18	Zoum Zoum (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Mrs Lynn Turner & Guy Brook	Ralph Beckett	Hector Crouch	129
19	Pearls And Rubies	No Nay Never	Mrs Richard Henry & Mrs John Magnier	Aidan O'Brien	D B McMonagle	126
20	Ziggy's Dream (Ire)	Inns Of Court (Ire)	Middleham Park Racing LIX & Mizon/HDR	Alice Haynes	Sean Levey	126

Breeders: 1-Hyde Park Stud, 2-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, 3-Forenaghts Stud, 4-Denis Noonan, 5-Charles Fipke, 6-Mountarmstrong Stud & Partners, 7-Ciaran McGrath, 8-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 9-John O'Connor, 10-Whisperview Trading Ltd, 11-Patricia Casement & Dr Dean Harron, 12-C O P Hanbury, 13-Linden Bloodstock Ltd, 14-Pier House Stud, 15-Scuderia Blueberry SRL, 16-Magnell Ltd, 17-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 18-Sanctuary Stud Ltd, 19-Premier Bloodstock, 20-Tally-Ho Stud

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

TAKARAZUKA KINEN-G1, ¥418,000,000, 3yo/up, 2200mT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	TRA
1	Struve (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Hori
2	Justin Palace (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Sug
3	Bellagio Opera (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Yen
4	Do Deuce (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Ton
5	Deep Bond (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Oku
6	Heat On Beat (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Tom
7	Pradaria (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	lkez
8	Karate (Jpn)	To The Glory (Jpn)	Oto
9	Sol Oriens (Jpn)	Kiasan Black (Jpn)	Tez
10	Rousham Park (Jpn)	Harbinger (GB)	Tan
11	Yamanin Sympa (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Sait
12	Blow The Horn (Jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	Yos
13	Rouge Eveil (Jpn)	Just A Way (Jpn)	Kur



TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
Hori	Lane	127
Sugiyama	Lemaire	127
Yemura	Yokoyama	127
Tomomichi	Take	127
Okubo	Miyuki	127
Tomomichi	Sakai	127
lkezoe	lkezoe	127
Otonashi	lwata	127
Tezuka	Yokoyama	127
Tanaka	Tosaki	127
Saito	Danno	127
Yoshioka	Sugawara	127
Kuroiwa	Kawada	123

Breeders: 1-Oiwake Farm, 2-Northern Racing, 3-Tsunebumi Yoshihara, 4-Northern Farm, 5-Murata Bokujo, 6-Shadai Farm, 7-Nagoyayuho Co., Ltd., 8-Yuichi Odagiri, 9-Shadai Farm, 10-Northern Racing, 11-Nishikioka Farm, 12-Okada Stud, 13-Shadai Farm.

Sunday, Dortmund, Germany, post time: 13:30

35TH GROSSER PREIS DER WIRTHSCHAFT-G3, €55,000, 3yo/up, 9fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Arcandi (Ger)	Zarak (Fr)	Schiergen	Murzabayev	131
2	6	Aguirre (Ger)	Camelot (GB)	Klug	Starke	129
3	7	Best Lightning (Fr)	Sidestep (Aus)	Suborics	Seidl	129
4	9	See Hector (Ger)	Counterattack (Ger)	Grewe	Wolff	129
5	2	Lightning Jock (Ire)	Lawman (Fr)	Fuhrmann	Engels	127
6	3	Skylo (Ger)	Postponed (Ire)	Weiss	Byrne	127
7	4	Nina's Lob (Ger)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Wohler	Pedroza	126
8	8	Penalty (Ger)	Frankel (GB)	Grewe	Hammer-Hansen	118
9	1	Thekingofmyheart (Ire)	Magna Grecia (Ire)	Hofer	T Koyuncu	118
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LISTED STAKES ENTRIES

Saturday, Ascot, Britain, post time: 14:30 CHESHAM S.-Listed, £110.000, 2vo, 7f 0v

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	SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
	1	Age Of Gold (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Godolphin	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	131
	2	Brian (Ire)	Shaman (Ire)	T R Lock & Partner	Sylvester Kirk	Liam Keniry	131
	3	Chilly Breeze (GB)	Ulysses (Ire)	Shelmore Bloodstock	David Evans	David Probert	131
	4	Defence Missile (Ire)	Sottsass (Fr)	Bronte Collection 1	Eve Johnson Houghton	Daniel Tudhope	131
;	5	Duke Of Monroth	Street Sense	Amo Racing Ltd	Raphael Freire	David Egan	131
	6	Harvey (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Miss E Nolan & Paul Hancock	Peter Chapple-Hyam	Maxime Guyon	131
	7	Lazy Griff (Ger)	Protectionist (Ger)	Middleham Park Racing & G Griffiths	Charlie Johnston	James Doyle	131
	8	Metro Dubai (Fr)	Elarqam (GB)	Ahmad Al Shaikh	Simon & Ed Crisford	Oisin Orr	131
1	9	Moon Sniper (GB)	Sea The Moon (Ger)	C L A Edginton & A J Niven	William Muir & Chris Grassick	Lewis Edmunds	131
	10	Motawahij	American Pharoah	King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Sons Stables	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	131
	11	Pentle Bay (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Teme Valley & C Maher	George Boughey	Tom Marquand	131
	12	Seaplane (GB)	Golden Horn (GB)	Ben & Sir Martyn Arbib	Paul & Oliver Cole	Rossa Ryan	131
	13	Shocker (Ire)	Shaman (Ire)	Shocker Partnership	Eoghan O'Neill	Ben Coen	131
	14	Bedtime Story (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	126
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3	7	Avola (Ger)	Nutan (Ire)	Schiergen	Murzabayev	128
4	4	Havrianka (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Donworth	Moutard	128
5	9	Linzona (Ger)	Best Solution (Ire)	Schiergen	Vogt	128
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7	5	Sweet Summer (Ger)	Waldgeist (GB)	Nedorostek	Piechulek	128
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