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TIME TO PASS THE SAFE ACT, BUT HOW?



Sarah Andrew

by Dan Ross

In 2009 when Tom Rooney joined the U.S. House of Representatives for Florida's 17th Congressional District--a Southwest portion of the Sunshine State--he assumed passage of a bill to permanently ban the commercial slaughter of horses, along with their export for such purposes, was a slam dunk.

"I did not think that this was going to be a controversial issue," said Rooney, now the president and CEO of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA). "It immediately became one of the most contentious, where I was like, 'yeah, I oppose horse slaughter or the exportation for human consumption. Who wouldn't be for that?"

The bill in question is the Safeguard American Food Exports (SAFE Act), which would formally put an end to the slaughter of horses in the U.S. for human consumption. Right now, the ban on horse slaughter in this country is by omission. Appropriation acts prohibit the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) from using funds to send their staff to inspect horses before slaughter.

In its current iteration, the bill would also prohibit the "shipping, transporting, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donating" of horses for commercial slaughter.

Passage of the SAFE Act would not be a panacea for the industry's ongoing efforts to fill gaping aftercare gaps across the countrynor is it necessary for these gaps to be filled unilaterally. *Cont. p3*

BREEDING DIGEST: A WIN WIN SCENARIO

by Chris McGrath

Three 'TDN Rising Star' debutants last weekend followed up in graded stakes to confirm their place among the leading juveniles of the summer. Two were by established big guns Uncle Mo and Curlin. But GIII Sorrento Stakes winner Nooni is by a \$5,000 Florida rookie who had already that day celebrated his first black-type winner, by nearly five lengths, in his backyard at Gulfstream.

That's some day at the office for Win Win, and confirms the contrasts emerging from the early skirmishes in the freshman table. Obviously the cavalries representing expensive Bluegrass rivals should gain momentum round a second turn through the rest of the year. For the time being, however, some big punches are being landed well above weight.

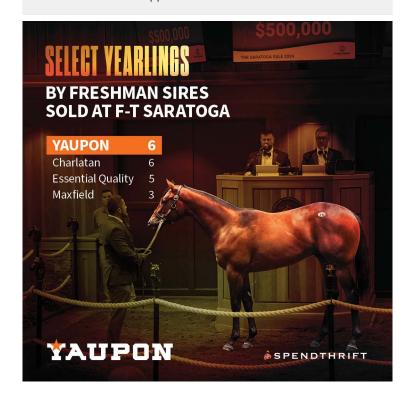
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But many believe it would hasten that process, forcing a swifter expansion of a more organized aftercare network.

As to the why of the bill's unsuccessful passage thus far--it has been knocking around the capital in some form or other since about 2001--blame in part legislative inertia in Washington.

"I'd say the last seven, eight, nine, 10 years, it's been so stagnant on really everything. They're trying to do sweeping bills, but even then, they're not always succeeding," said Chris Heyde, founder of Blue Marble Strategy, a government affairs firm in Washington, D.C., pointing to the delays in passing the Farm Bill, to which some legislators are trying to attach the SAFE Act.

Rooney agrees. Though he said that legislators from the Western states have proven some of the biggest opponents to the SAFE Act, seeing the bill as a "slippery slope" towards prohibiting slaughter of other animals.

This ideological divide can be seen through groups like Protect the Harvest, founded by wealthy oilman Forrest Lucas.

In the eyes of Protect the Harvest, not only does the SAFE Act need to be quashed, but the USDA should once again fund and facilitate horse slaughter on U.S. soils, where the treatment of the horses, they argue, would be better than in Mexico and Canada.

"Opening processing in the United States will help curb the problem of unwanted horses being abandoned, starved or shipped long distances outside of animal welfare oversight," it writes.

Have the Western states ever loosened their stance on the bill?

"If you're asking has this issue softened over the years, I don't think so," Rooney replied.

The issue of "unwanted" horses is an argument oft repeated by one of the most vocal opponents to the bill, Douglas Corey, a veterinarian from Washington and former president of the Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP).

In 2020, Corey told a subcommittee on health within the House committee on Energy and Commerce that the bill offers "no solution" to the problem of the unwanted horse, which represents "a group of horses within the domestic equine population that are unwanted, needful, or their owners are no longer interested in them, or not financially able to aid the horse with appropriate care."

Corey added that "proponents of the legislation suggest that these horses will be absorbed by the alternative homes, rescues and retirement facilities." However, "these options are already under stress and overcrowded," he added.

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SAFE Act, cont.

This argument, said Heyde, has been wheeled out repeatedly over the years even as the number of horses sold for slaughter has fallen dramatically.

"When he started that speech, we were slaughtering 150,000-200,000 horses a year in the United States, and he said, 'oh, what are we going to do with all these horses.' And then we were slaughtering 70,000 horses. 'Oh gosh, the sky's falling in, what are we going to do with all these horses?'" said Heyde.

But approximately 20,000 horses are still exported for slaughter annually. And Corey's argument that rehoming and rescue centres are stretched thin remains painfully accurate.

Heyde, however, sees the equation as one of simple supply and demand.



Sarah Andrew

"Now we're down to about 20,000 horses [exported for slaughter annually] and there are no horses running down the streets. There are now more rescues than there ever have been. We've got a 'Homes for Horses Coalition' that I helped start with the Humane Society several years ago," he said.

"What did we do with all of the horses? Something happened to them," he added. "And don't forget, the nature of a rescue is to operate at capacity."

Chelsea Perez, senior project manager for the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), agrees how passage of the SAFE Act has been obstructed by dissemination of "misinformation" clouding the issue.

"There has been an 88% reduction [in horses going to slaughter] over 10 years, and at the same time, there has been a reduction in neglect cases," said Perez, adding how the number of American horses exported for slaughter represents a small percentage of the horses that die of other causes each year, and dealt with responsibly. "There's just no evidence that slaughter and abuse and neglect are tied together." *Cont.*





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John Stewart with rescues | Sue Finley

The problem, Perez added, is how some misleading talking points are baked-in among important stakeholder groups.

"People genuinely believe them sometimes," she said. "A lot of the veterinarians that I speak to on the ground, they believe them, they think it's true, even though that's just not what we're seeing."

Which comes to the role that non-profit organizations play in the bill's passage.

Groups like HSUS and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) have made a public show of support for the SAFE Act over the years.

Heyde, however, questions just how incentivized some animal advocacy groups are to get the bill over the legislative finish line. Indeed, investigative news outlets like ProPublica have shone a light on the broader non-profit world in recent years, showing how in some cases, their immense money-making efforts have been used to enrich the fundraisers while spending little on the causes.

"When I first came into the animal movement 20 years ago now, I asked around because I wanted to go to an organization that I knew actually did the work, and was not just a moneymaking, fundraising machine," said Heyde.

According to ProPublica's Nonprofit Explorer, the HSUS' 2022 revenues were in excess of \$157 million. All told, HSUS executive compensation topped \$3.2 million that year. According to Charity Navigator, the organization spent about 68% of its 2022 revenues on program expenses, and 25% on fundraising.

In 2022, revenues for ASPCA topped \$376 million, while its president and CEO Matt Bershadker earned over \$1 million. The ASPCA spent about 76% of its revenues on program expenses in 2022, and nearly 20% on fundraising efforts.

Animal Wellness Action is another group that fundraises off the SAFE Act. The organization was founded by Wayne Pacelle, who resigned as CEO of the HSUS in 2018 after being accused of sexual harassment and assault by several former employees. The non-profit record \$1.06 million in revenues in 2022. Nearly 13% of the organization's total expenses went to executive pay that year.

Perez pushed back strongly against any suggestion the HSUS is using the issue of horse slaughter as a fund-raising opportunity.

"There is no part of our internal work that reflects the suggestion that we want to fundraise off of this. I can genuinely stand by that comment," said Perez. "And I can tell you personally, the slaughter issue is one that consumes a massive amount of my mental energy."

Perez added how at a recent series of meetings, she and her colleagues sought to determine what "success would look like" in their work on issues like horse slaughter.

"Across the board, people wrote on the papers they turned in that success would look like we wouldn't have a job anymore," Perez said.

Some 23 years after the first iteration of the legislation was introduced, however, what would it take to push the SAFE Act over the finish line?

What Needs to Happen Now?

All interviewed for the story believed how, in this era of Congressional dysfunction, it would need folding into a larger omnibus bill, as happened with the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA). *Cont.*



SAFE Act, cont.

Another useful approach, said Heyde, would be for "spread-thin" animal organizations to focus their time and resources on a select set of bills at any one time.

"A great deal of perception is that it's already done," said Heyde, of the SAFE Act. "So, when you get [House and Senate] members that already think it's gone, and you get animal groups who are pushing 6,000 different bills--of which this is still one of them--it gets lost in that big mess of animal bills. Members get distracted. They go off and work on other legislation."

Perez, on the other hand, takes a pluralistic approach.

"It definitely is much better when we as animal organizations work together," said Perez. "In everything, it's more impactful to have a united voice, and be aligned in what we are asking for."

If the SAFE Act also had strong backing from influential voices within the racing industry, Perez added, that too would further engender legislative support--something Heyde agrees with.

"I wish the racing industry would be more aggressive in it. I wish we had more leaders," said Heyde, adding how the death of long-time horse advocate John Hettinger has hampered recent efforts. "We just need to reinvigorate it with major donors and major business leaders and major owners."

At least two of racing's most visible and vocal owners have come forward to press the issue. Last month in the TDN, John Stewart promised to keep the conversation about slaughter going.

The same goes for Mike Repole, through his team's ongoing efforts to establish a sustainably funded and comprehensive network of accredited aftercare facilities nationwide, along with a system of incentives to drive demand for retired racers.

"It's without question that huge strides have been made to reduce the number of horses sent abroad for slaughter--down nearly 90% in the last decade, and even higher over the last three decades. But we all know the number needs to be zero and it isn't that now," said Pat Cummings, executive director of the Repole-founded National Thoroughbred Alliance.

"A small number of Thoroughbreds still end up at kill pens, and I think you can reasonably surmise that while tremendous strides have been made in our greater aftercare efforts over the last 20 years, there is still so much more to be done," said Cummings, who added how passage of the SAFE Act should help expedite that process. "It's beyond time to move this forward."

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And we've also drawn attention to two very cheap stallions (albeit with contrasting ammunition) in Thousand Words and Caracaro, who deservedly exploited a short field to decorate their excellent starts with second and third in the Sorrento.

Runner-up Vodka With a Twist had already won a stakes, despite having changed hands for just \$2,500 at Fasig-Tipton's Fall sale as a yearling. At the same auction, remember, another Thousand Words filly barely brought more at \$3,500, but as The Queens M G recently won the GII Adirondack Stakes. Cont.

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Third on Saturday was perhaps a little disappointing, meanwhile, for the \$775,000 filly that had put Caracaro on the

map at OBS April. But the Crestwood sire has meanwhile moved onto five winners from seven starters, and here bumped into the star of a still more remarkable auction coup for Win Win Win.

The son of Hat Trick (Jpn) had buttonholed prospectors with his very first yearling into the ring last year, a \$150,000 colt at the July Sale. Another son then brought \$250,000 at Keeneland September, but Win Win Win reached wild new heights when Nooni blitzed a quarter in :20 1/5 at OBS



Win Win | Louise Reinagel

March, prompting no less a judge than Donato Lanni to top the sale at \$1.8 million for Zedan Racing.

Before giving due attention to Win Win Win himself, we need to acknowledge this amazing illustration of the skills sustaining Ocala Stud's highwire breed-to-breeze program in support of its stallion roster.

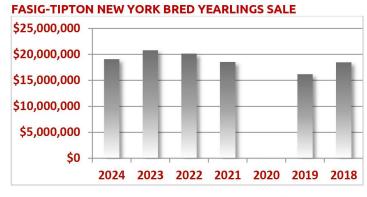
The O'Farrell family enters competition with some of the

sharpest horsemen in the business--who can sieve the yearling sales for athletes adapted to a highly specific shop window just a few months down the line--from the day they decide their matings. Then it's just about trusting the process, all the way from foaling straw to under-tack show.

Of course, it doesn't always work out. A Union Rags filly failed to meet her reserve at \$65,000 at OBS in 2017 and then, as Unanimity, showed only a glimmer of potential in a light career. But she then entered

production, having been dignified with a Kentucky covering as a member of a family that had flourished remarkably since the purchase of her mother, Lady Discreet (Boundary), for \$45,000 in 2004. *Cont.*

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"The New York-Bred Yearling Sale produced trade which both buyers and sellers called fair, with consistent bidding throughout the two sessions leading to a record median and the third highest average in the auction's history."

- Jessica Martini

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	<u>% W/D</u>	<u>% S/R</u>	<u>% S/C</u>	GROSS	AVE
2024	200	164	108	18.0%	65.9%	54.1%	\$19,095,500	\$104,920
2023	364	300	217	17.6%	72.3%	59.6%	\$20,806,000	\$95,880
2022	284	233	188	18.0%	80.7%	66.2%	\$20,175,000	\$107,314
2021	308	258	203	16.2%	78.7%	65.9%	\$18,566,500	\$91,461
2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019	332	266	186	19.9%	69.9%	56.0%	\$16,200,000	\$87,097
2018	327	263	172	19.6%	65.4%	52.6%	\$18,492,000	\$107,512

^{*} The 2020 Fasig-Tipton New York Bred Yearlings Sale was cancelled due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic



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Half-sister to Neat, winner of the National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame S. (G2) at Saratoga Aug. 2

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HIP 1110

c. Gun Runner - Buy Sell Hold

Half-brother to Showcase, winner of the Saratoga Special S. (G2) at Saratoga Aug. 10 Consigned by ELITE

HIP 1219

c. Volatile – Hot N Hectic

Half-brother to Carson's Run, winner of the Saratoga Derby Invitational S. (G1) at Saratoga Aug. 11

Consigned by Frankfort Park Farm

HIP 1827

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Half-sister to Raging Sea, winner of the Shuvee S. (G2) at Saratoga July 21

Consigned by Mill Ridge Farm

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f. Maxfield – Marwa (GB)

Half-sister to World Record, winner of the Amsterdam S. (G2) at Saratoga July 26 Consigned by Runnymede Farm LLC

HIP 2586

f. City of Light – Passion Flower

Half-sister to Scalable, winner of the Monmouth Oaks (G3) at Monmouth Park July 27 Consigned by Warrendale Sales

HIP 3445

c. Vino Rosso - Sacred Psalm

Half-brother to Spirit Wind, winner of the Honorable Miss H. (G2) at Saratoga July 24 Consigned by Mulholland Springs

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Nooni | Benoit

Lady Discreet had been a frustrating, 15-race maiden, but her dam Pretty Discreet (Private Account) had lately produced Pretty Wild (Wild Again) to finish second in two juvenile Grade Is. But the page would soon catch fire. Pretty Discreet went on to produce two Grade I winners in Discreetly Mine (Mineshaft) and Discreet Cat (Forestry), as well as the dam of another in Awesome Maria (Maria's Mon).

Daughters of Lady Discreet, moreover, have been contributing nicely. Courtesan (Street Sense) won a couple of stakes, for instance, while The Shady Lady (Quality Road) has produced two very talented performers from her first four foals. First came Devious Dame (Girvin), whose career was cut short after romping in the Astoria; and then followed Hades (Awesome Slew), who won the GII Holy Bull Stakes earlier this year.

Now Unanimity is doing her bit, too. For after a gelded son of The Big Beast (won on debut but since slipped into claimers), Nooni is only her second starter.

It would be nice to credit some of Lady Discreet's impact to a double dose of the great Damascus, sadly only a tenuous influence nowadays. For her sire Boundary was out of a Damascus mare, while her dam was one of the many distinguished females by his son Private Account.

Regardless of that, it's a family eligible to assist Win Win Win in the repatriation of the Sunday Silence line. But he can also draw on some fairly solid maternal genes of his own. He's out of a Smarty Jones half-sister (derailed after winning her maiden) to GIII Noble Damsel Stakes winner Unbridled Humor (Distorted Humor), while their stakes-winning mother by Unbridled participates in a decent cluster of black type under third dam Icy Warning (Caveat).

Racing for his breeders at Live Oak, Win Win Win sampled various disciplines—a stakes winner on turf, for instance, after being tempted into stretching out for the Classics—before his dramatic success in the GI Forego Stakes. It was runner-up Complexity who reminded us of that strange affair last week, and now this breakout for Win Win Win can only heighten its resonance.

Because if Nooni is doing no less than her price anticipated, her sire's other stakes scorer on Saturday--previously winner of a state-bred maiden by 7 1/2 lengths--was a \$12,000 OBS Winter Mixed Sale graduate.

These remain very early days, of course. On the other hand, young stallions today only get a brief window of opportunity. We must give particular credit, then, to those who hit the bull's-eye when the arrows in their quiver are so few and/or cheap.

Showcasing Strong Genes, However They Mix

But, yes, the other two juveniles mentioned at the outset are both by sires doing just what they are paid to do: produce elite talent, at elite fees.

At \$300,000, as such, Showcase is looking a pretty alert purchase by Roy McAvoy out of the Machmer Hall consignment for Book 1 last September. He certainly has a Book 1 page; a stallion's page, potentially, being out of a sister to Volatile. And these days you're already quite a long way towards becoming a stallion if you put together a debut romp and a decisive success in the GII Saratoga Special Stakes.

Showcase's dam Buy Sell Hold (Violence) was also precocious, adding the Kentucky Juvenile Stakes to a blazing debut at the Keeneland Spring Meet, but did not progress at Saratoga and subsequently only salvaged some bonus black type when pouncing for third in the GIII Miss Preakness Stakes. *Cont.*



Showcase | Sarah Andrew

But she's already produced Bourbon Bash (City of Light) to bank over \$1/2 million over the past couple of years, while her dam (by Unbridled's Song) is one of three stakes winners out of dual Grade I winner Lady Tak (Mutakddim).

Buy Sell Hold was sold on her retirement from the racetrack for \$205,000 at the 2018 Keeneland November Sale, to Machmer Hall, registered breeder of Bourbon Bash. But Showcase was bred by WinStar, who evidently determined to get into this branch of the Dangerous Dame dynasty. (Buy Sell Hold's fifth dam entwines the pedigrees of numerous outstanding runners either side of the Atlantic, from Sakhee to Capote.)

Showcase is raising the stakes nicely for owners Harrell Ventures. Affordable sons of Uncle Mo have always been in commercial demand since he went so quickly beyond the reach of most, doubling his fee to \$150,000 after Nyquist won the GI Kentucky Derby for his debut crop. One of those sons, indeed, notoriously covered 293 mares as a rookie last year. And this fellow, as noted, has a page that would be easy to market.

Mind you, Uncle Mo (who had the Saratoga Special exacta) is an interesting case for the theory that especially potent stallions barely require complementary genetic excellence in their mares. That's not a position that appeals to those of us who admire the cultivation of families, and believe in depth across a pedigree. Nonetheless some people believe that rising fees and averages essentially represent the rising cost of recognition, rather than increasing caliber in a sire's stock.

Uncle Mo's debut crop, conceived at \$35,000, indicated a sensational potency. Nobody could sensibly expect him to maintain such historic ratios every year, yet the first crop he sired at \$150,000 actually posted some pretty ordinary percentages. The one after that did excel, only for the next to ebb somewhat behind a couple of headline acts.

One way or another, when you level it all out, their lifetime ratios for now make Uncle Mo a pretty similar achiever to, say, Ghostzapper. Of course, those who do believe in mare quality will expect Uncle Mo to keep consolidating. But for Ghostzapper to have ultimately become a really consistent sire--despite enduring profoundly unhelpful fluctuations in fee, on one occasion slashed from \$125,000 to \$30,000--perhaps confirms that often these horses will do what they will do, regardless of how we're pricing their semen.

Getaway Speed Identifies a Real Outlier

As for the other "son of a gun," Getaway Car in the GIII Best Pal Stakes, it must be auspicious that a son of Curlin can be coasting clear of sprinters like that during his first summer on the track.

If two of his 2018 foals, Elite Power and Cody's Wish, have shown what Curlin's stock can achieve round one turn, they hardly altered perceptions of his precocity. (Each was unraced at two and then took four attempts to break his maiden, Elite Power doing so in the June of his 4-year-old campaign.) Even Curlin's champion juvenile Good Magic only broke his maiden at the Breeders' Cup.

So we can probably assume that Getaway Car is drawing considerably on the dash of his dam Surrender Now (Morning Line), who won the Landaluce Stakes over 5 1/2 furlongs at Santa Anita on her second start--and in apt fashion, for that race, by eight lengths. That qualified her as hot favourite for the Sorrento, but she bombed out there, disappeared for the rest of the year, and ultimately returned to piece together only the odd stakes placing in turf sprints.



Getaway Car | Benoit

Curlin is of course by one of Mr. Prospector's diversifying influences in Smart Strike, who could certainly deal out a little time and distance. But Surrender Now brings in a different dose through her granddam, who was by Mr. P. out of GIII Busher Stakes winner Mackie (Summer Squall), herself a half-sister to Sea Hero.

Bred by Blue Heaven Farm & Curlin Syndicate, Getaway Car was pinhooked by FMQ Stables as a \$300,000 Keeneland November weanling and elevated her value to \$700,000 back in the same ring last September, sold through Gainesway to one of Bob Baffert's "alphabet soup" syndicates.

Much as with Showcase, then, these owners already have grounds to hope that the stallion endgame is nearly within reach. The big question will be whether Getaway Car can also call upon his inner Curlin, and stretch out his outlier early brilliance. *Cont.*

That would be reassuring, given that Surrender Now's half-brother Red Flag started nearly as well as she did, winning the GIII Bob Hope Stakes by seven lengths. But that was way back in 2020, and it was only a few days ago at Del Mar that he made his first visit to the winner's circle since--as a 6-year-old gelding. And he was promptly claimed for \$40,000. Just goes to show, with these Thoroughbreds we can never get ahead of ourselves.

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SEIZE THE GREY TO SKIP TRAVERS IN FAVOR OF PENNSYLVANIA DERBY



Seize the Grey training at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew

Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas expressed his desire on Sunday to run GI Preakness Stakes winner Seize the Grey (Arrogate) in the Aug. 24 GI Travers Stakes at Saratoga Race Course. Tim Wilkin covered Lukas's perspective extensively in Saratoga Notebook, presented by NYRA Bets.

On Tuesday, according to Daily Racing Form's David Grening, Lukas confirmed Seize the Grey will instead be pointed to the Sept. 21 GI Pennsylvania Derby at Parx. Although he trains at Saratoga, the 3-year-old colt has finished off the board in his two starts at the Spa this summer, the GI Belmont Stakes and the GII Jim Dandy Stakes.

Seize the Grey will stand at Gainesway upon his retirement. The MyRacehorse runner worked Monday over the Oklahoma surface, covering five furlongs in 1:01.55.

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JUDGE TERMINATES JAMGOTCHIAN'S LAWSUIT AGAINST CHRB OVER NAMING AND REGISTRATION CONTROVERSY

by T.D. Thornton



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A federal judge in California on Monday terminated a nearly two-year-old lawsuit initiated against the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) by Thoroughbred owner Jerry Jamgotchian that alleged Jamgotchian's constitutional and civil rights were violated when the stewards at Los Alamitos Race Course denied entry to one of his horses in 2022 over a naming and registration controversy.

Although the Aug. 12 ruling out of United States District Court (Central District, Southern Division) quashed the lawsuit itself, the litigation has never stopped the now 5-year-old Malpractice Meuser (GB) (Helmet {Aus}) from being named as Jamgotchian pleased or from racing at tracks outside of California.

In fact, the 1-for-10 horse--still owned by Jamgotchian--is entered to race Aug. 13 at Mountaineer Park, where Malpractice Meuser is the 5-2 morning-line favorite in the evening's first race, a \$4,000 claiming grass route.

Even though the North American version of The Jockey Club wasn't a party to the lawsuit, its decision in 2021 not to issue a domestic foal certificate to the British-born Thoroughbred was a key component of Jamgotchian's litigation.

According to court documents, the official registrar for this continent's Thoroughbreds believed the name was allegedly "designed to harass, humiliate, or disparage a specific individual" (in this case, a Kentucky attorney with that surname who specializes in equine law), so it denied the foal certificate.

But, as Jamgotchian had pointed out in his complaint, Malpractice Meuser had the proper Jockey Club certification from Great Britain, where the horse had been foaled. Cont.

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Jamgotchian vs. CHRB, cont.

Jamgotchian's lawsuit also took umbrage with The Jockey Club of North America's rule allowing it to bar purportedly disparaging horse names, which was termed in the complaint as "viewpoint discrimination because it only prohibits negative viewpoints while allowing positive viewpoints."

As examples of the North American Jockey Club's alleged "unconstitutional discrimination" and "arbitrary and capricious decision-making," Jamgotchian's complaint pointed out that the registrar had previously approved similar names, such as Malpractice M.D. (2004), Malpractice Mike (2016), Meuser (2011) and Barrythejuryhanger (2019).

"Yet, it refuses Malpractice Meuser," Jamgotchian's complaint asserted.

Prior to the filing of the litigation, officials at Mountaineer Park and Horseshoe Indianapolis had accepted the British Jockey Club's form of registration for the horse's first two starts in 2021.

Jamgotchian also registered Malpractice Meuser as a "covered horse" once the new federal Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) requirements became active in 2022.

But when Jamgotchian attempted to ship Malpractice Meuser to California to race at Los Alamitos, the stewards there denied the June 15, 2022, entry because the horse did not have a foal certificate approved by the North American version of The Jockey Club, which is a requirement under California law.

On July 4, 2022, Jamgotchian appealed the stewards' decision to the CHRB. After a hearing by the commission backed up the actions of the stewards, Jamgotchian (and Theta Holding I, Inc., a holding company that is the horse's breeder and co-plaintiff) took the CHRB to federal court.

In a lawsuit dated Oct. 17, 2022, the plaintiffs sought monetary damages in excess of \$250,000 and injunctive relief ordering the CHRB to allow Malpractice Meuser to enter and race in California.

The defendants subsequently argued that the court should dismiss the complaint because the CHRB and the stewards were entitled to immunity in this instance.

As the lawsuit wound its way through the federal court system, Malpractice Meuser didn't race anywhere for a period of nearly two years before resurfacing at Mountaineer in September 2023.

He eventually broke his maiden in career start number five in a maiden special weight race there Nov. 5, 2023.

Malpractice Meuser has been winless in five starts since then, all at the West Virginia track.

On Monday, U.S. District Judge Fred Slaughter agreed with the defendants, dismissing the case "without leave to amend," which means the complaint can't be tweaked and resubmitted.

"In summary," Slaughter wrote, "the court determines that the Board of Stewards and the CHRB were 'functionally comparable to judges, and that' the actions Plaintiffs challenge were quasi-judicial acts for which they are absolutely immune from liability. Thus, the court concludes quasi-judicial immunity bars Plaintiff's claims against Defendants for both monetary and injunctive relief...

"The court finds that Defendants are entitled to qualified immunity because the [complaint's] facts and exhibits reflect that Defendants acted with objective reasonableness," the ruling continued.

"Defendants were presented with an application for a horse that was not registered with the [North American] Jockey Club to race in California. In rendering a decision on that application or the appeal of that decision, Defendants correctly applied a California law that said that all Thoroughbreds racing in California must be registered with the Jockey Club.

"In this case, all Plaintiffs assert that Defendants did wrong is apply that law," the judge wrote.

"Nothing in the record suggests that Plaintiffs could allege new facts sufficient to plausibly state a claim against Defendants," the judge wrote.

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PHIL BAUER JOINS TDN WRITERS' ROOM **PODCAST**

It took trainer Phil Bauer and his owner Richard Rigney a little while to figure the racing game out. From the time Bauer went to work for Rigney in 2013 through 2021, the stable had never had more than 17 wins in a year or earnings in excess of \$1,724,016. But the last three years have seen the stable flourish into a win machine and one that can compete at the highest levels of the sport. Cont.



Halina's Forte | Sarah Andrew

TDN Writers' Room podcast, cont.

From 2022 to present, Bauer has had 70 winners from 316 starters for a win rate of 22.2%. They've won graded stakes with Played Hard (Into Mischief), Xigera (Byquist) and Buchu (Justify). They're also not afraid to go into seven-figure territory when it comes to the sales.

"It really started about five years ago when Richard signed on and joined forces with John Moynihan in the yearling selection process for us," said Bauer, who was this week's Green Group Guest of the Week on the *Thoroughbred Daily News* Writers' Room Podcast presented by Keeneland. "When we started in 2013, Richard and myself, we were trying to do everything ourselves. There's no doubt about it, it takes particular athletes to compete at the top level. Overall, our barn was just lacking talent. And so once John came aboard, it was just like a flip of a light switch. And you could tell as the horses came in and the years were progressing, you just felt like it was this giant wave heading towards the shore. And we felt it coming and we were excited."

This year at Saratoga, Bauer has won his first stakes race at the Spa, with Galway winner Halina's Forte (Mitole) and also picked up a "**TDN Rising Star**" with the 3-year-old filly Two Sharp (Twirling Candy), the winner of an Aug. 2 maiden race.

"Two Sharp is a fun, fun story," Bauer said. "We were shopping the September sale and the day she was going to go through the ring, we had a homebred sired Indiana filly that was running in a stakes at Horseshoe Indianapolis. So we left and Richard was going to buy her online while driving up there. We lost service. He panicked and called and got on the phone with one of the bidders. We had a budget and he just kept bidding back and bidding back and he blew past the budget. You saw the purchase price (\$925,000) of her. It was close to a million. At that time, it was one of the highest-priced yearlings we had ever bought. He almost drove off the road as he kept going. But we loved her."

Bauer said the mission has yet to be accomplished because Rigney wants to use his mares to create a band of broodmares.

"The last piece of the puzzle for us is the breeding," Bauer said. "Richard keeps all his mares with Denali. The success that we've had at the track is now showing up in the broodmare band. We've got some foals on the ground this year out of some really, really nice race mares. We're impatiently waiting to bring them to market. I think that'll be the final piece of the puzzle for the Rigney Racing as a whole."

In our breeding spotlight section, we took a look at the WinStar stallion Two Phil's (Hard Spun).

Elsewhere on the podcast, which is also sponsored by the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders' Association, West Point Thoroughbreds, WinStar, XBTV.com, the KTOB and Stonestreet Farm, the team of Zoe Cadman, Randy Moss and Bill Finley took

a look back at the major races of the weekend, including some 2-year-old races that came up with very small fields. They looked at the decision to pass this week's GI Alabama Stakes with Thorpedo Anna (Fast Anna) and what impact that will have on both the Alabama and the GI Travers Stakes.

Click for the video or audio of the podcast.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PUTTING A NUMBER TO A TURF COURSE from trainer Philip Antonacci:

In the year 2024, the words "OFF," "YIELDING," "SOFT," "GOOD," and "FIRM" are unacceptable characterizations of turf conditions; a surface much more complicated and living than a mere word. How Firm? How soft?

On Saturday, I tweeted about the need for the American industry to learn from established practices worldwide. We need to adopt a more consistent measurement of turf conditions, a system that has already been successfully implemented in other parts of the world.

Turf moisture measurements and "numerical ratings" are not new. Europe uses Turf Trax to give the going conditions quantitatively on various parts of the racetrack. Australia uses a 1-10 rating system to quantify how much "give" a racetrack has. America has qualitatively relied on rating courses. It is time to put a number on it. Once enough data is collected about "ratings," it would benefit the industry to establish a "par rating" across the country in which races will remain on the grass or pulled off. This will significantly increase consistency, transparency, and expectations of whether it is safe to race, holding racetracks and industry participants accountable. *Cont.*



Philip Antonacci | Sarah Andrew

Philip Antonacci, cont.

Horseplayers will have more accurate data to see which horses performed on racetracks with various moisture levels. Owners and trainers will be able to make better judgments on the placement of their horses. Racetracks and turf superintendents no longer have to be the "bad guys," as you cannot argue with a number. We do not have to reinvent the wheel; copy what works. We are entering a dangerous territory where any rain is becoming grounds for off the turf, which is unfair to horseplayers, owners, trainers, and even turf superintendents. Data is the way forward, and we must collect and apply it to make more informed decisions; we owe it to everyone.

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FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 11, 2024 ACTIVE NORTH AMERICAN-BASED STALLIONS



Surveillance became the newest Northern Hemisphere-bred graded winner for Constitution in the Troy Stakes | Sarah Andrew

Sire (Sire's Sire)	#SWs	#GSW
Always Dreaming (Bodemeister)	5	1
(BricklayerManitoba Derby-L)		
Blame (Arch)	49	21
(PigalleGroupie Doll SL)		

STANDING AT CLAIBORNE FARM • CLICK HERE FOR MORE EMAIL BERNIE SAMS

Candy Ride (Arg) (Ride the Rails) 113 56 (Most Wanted--Ellis Park Derby-L)

STANDING AT LANE'S END • CLICK HERE FOR MORE EMAIL CHRIS KNEHR

Constitution (Tapit)	43	22
(SurveillanceTroy SGIII)		
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Curlin (Smart Strike)	106	60
(Getaway CarBest Pal SGIII)		
Frosted (Tapit)	25	8
(FibberAudubon Oaks)		
Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief)	7	
(RegaloPetramalo Mile S.)		
Mitole (Eskendereya)	6	1
(StormcastBison City S.)		
Oxbow (Awesome Again)	17	7
(Blazing BoManitoba Mile S.)		
Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie)	101	50
(ShowcaseSaratoga Special SGII)		
Upstart (Flatter)	17	5
(StilettosEllis Park Debutante S.)		
West Coast (Flatter)	5	
(LapushWashington Oaks)		
Win Win Win (Hat Trick {Jpn})	2	1
(NooniSorrento SGIII;		
Win N Your InSharp Susan S.)		

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NYTHA TO HOST TRAINERS WEBINAR

The New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) is hosting a webinar for THA trainers Sept. 6, featuring representatives from the U.S. Department of Labor - Wage & Hour Division, as well as the New York State Department of Labor.

Topics will include employer requirements for the H-2B visa program, the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), and investigative processes, along with labor law specifics for New York State employers.

Speakers will include: Sarah Decker, Community Outreach and Resource Planning Specialist - DOL/Wage & Hour Division; Cynthia Spahl, Regional Enforcement Coordinator for the H-1B and H-2B programs - DOL/Wage & Hour Division; and Reyna Moreno, Deputy Director of the Division of Compliance and Education - NYSDOL. *Cont.*

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BIDXSELL LAUNCHES WITH INAUGURAL DIGITAL **SALE**

Silk Road LLC has launched its digital Thoroughbred auction platform BidXSell.com, with its dedicated concierge consignment division, eCONSIGN-IT set to host its inaugural flash sale Aug. 28. The inaugural auction will feature **Salute the Stars** (Candy Ride {Arg}), winner of last year's Pegasus Stakes.

BidXSell was developed to allow industry stakeholders to buy and sell bloodstock at limited cost, according to a press release from Silk Road. The digital auction ring allows owners to sell bloodstock directly from farm sites and the BidXSell platform puts the remaining necessary infrastructure directly into the hands of sellers, eliminating the need for third party and commission fees.



Salute the Stars (outside) | *Sarah Andrew*

The BidXSell platform will allow sellers to maintain their individual brand identity, hosting sales under their own name and logo. Sellers will own the content of their site and be issued links to their published sales for use in advertising, social media and communications. Users establishing a seller account will be able to sell bloodstock for a \$500 listing fee, with no commission or RNA fees.

BidXSell also offers a full service "entry to exit" concierge plan with its eCONSIGN-IT division. That division will offer all services necessary to sell a horse, including veterinary, media resources, and money transfer, for a yet-to-be-announced flat fee.

The platform will offer a private auction feature which will

allow boutique horses, seasons, and shares to be offered to personally invited buyers selected privately by the seller. This private auction tool will allow owners to establish the real-time market value of a horse without risking fees incurred by buying a horse back.

"This platform was created to be revolutionary," said Saeed Almaddah, President and CEO of Silk Road. "In a legacy industry like the horse industry, the BidXSell auction platform will prove to be an economic driver in the new and vastly growing digital marketplace. It will allow breeders, owners, and consignors to capitalize on their investments at the most ideal moments, put full control in their hands, grow their industry relationships, and improve their bottom lines."

Almaddah continued, "This will be a pivotal moment in the industry and the platform will prove to be the "Shopify" of horse sales. The platform will also connect international markets, such as the Middle East, Europe, Australia, and the United States, with the Middle East being a strong burgeoning market that will thrive on this connectivity and access."

BidXSell.com is currently open to establish bidder accounts. The consignment division, eCONSIGN-IT, will host its inaugural sale when it offers Salute the Stars. The auction will open for bidding Aug. 28 at 8 a.m. and will close Aug. 30 at 4 p.m. More information about Salute the Stars will be available in the sale catalogue which is scheduled to post Aug. 21 at www.bidxsell.com.

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CASTELLANO, ANTONUCCI TO SIGN ARCANGELO **POSTERS AT SARATOGA**

Hall of Fame jockey Javier Castellano and Classic-winning trainer Jena Antonucci will be signing posters of 2023 Eclipse Award winner Arcangelo (Arrogate) at Saratoga Race Course Saturday at 11 a.m. Proceeds will benefit the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame.

Renowned artist Greg Montgomery has produced exclusive limited-edition poster prints featuring Arcangelo, Castellano, and Antonucci for the Museum.

Each autographed poster is \$20. Any additional items fans would like signed will also be \$20 per autograph. The Museum's open-air satellite facility is located behind the racetrack's grandstand just across the pedestrian path from the Fourstardave Sports Bar.

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BCTC PARTNERS WITH NEW VOCATIONS

The Bluegrass Community and Technical College has partnered with New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program to allow students of BCTC's Equine Program to learn at New Vocations' Lexington facility. The BCTC Equine program provides instruction on essential skills required for a variety of careers in the horse industry and all students receive hands-on instruction in basic horse care management learning industry-accepted standards and techniques in the program's foundational lab course. Students taking this lab at New Vocations will learn with recently retired racehorses as they transition to be adopted for second careers as part of New Vocations' mission: Rehab, Retrain, Rehome.

The partnership will allow the BCTC Equine program to grow without incurring any extra costs for the college, enabling it to accommodate more students each semester who are interested in pursuing careers in the equine industry.

"The BCTC Equine Program provides exceptional training to students wanting to pursue careers in the horse industry," said New Vocations Thoroughbred Program Director Anna Ford. "The concept of having BCTC students learn basic horse care while working with our horses has been a great experience and lines up well with our mission. Having the extra help will be extremely helpful as finding and keeping good help in the barn continues to be a challenge."

Upon completion of the EQS 104 lab, BCTC Equine students are eligible for internship placement in equine breeding operations and veterinary clinics and they can continue their hands-on training with additional Thoroughbred-specific lab courses during the summer semester at the Thoroughbred Training Center, which includes internship placement at Thoroughbred yearling and training operations.

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MARYLAND HALL OF FAME SELECTS THREE NEW MEMBERS



Richard's Kid | Jill Williams

Three horses, all Grade I winners, have been selected for induction into the Maryland Thoroughbred Hall of Fame in 2024: Alma North, Richard's Kid, and Shine Again. A committee of Maryland racing industry members coordinated by the Maryland Horse Breeders Association and Maryland Racing Media Association were responsible for the vote.

The newest inductees will be celebrated during a ceremony after the fourth race on opening day of the Timonium race meet on Friday, Aug. 23.

"This year's inductees are indicative of the reach of our great Maryland-bred horses and their breeders. Mr. Meyerhoff, Mrs. DuPont, Dr. Leonard, and the Bender family represented some of Maryland's most dedicated and successful breeders," said Cricket Goodall, executive director of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association.

Maryland Racing Media Association president Frank Vespe continued: "What jumps out at you about all three of this year's inductees is their longevity. In our era of shortened careers, it's refreshing to see horses that made dozens of starts and competed successfully at the highest level over multiple seasons. In fact, all three won or placed in top-level stakes in at least three different years."

The Maryland Hall of Fame debuted with in 2013 and now has 36 members. For more information, visit mdthoroughbredhalloffame.com.

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SALES STATISTICS

Leading 2024 Sires of Yearlings

by cumulative average price for stallions standing in North America through Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred Yearlings

Rank	Name	FYr	Loc	2022 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Ghostzapper	F07	KY	\$75,000	1	1	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
2	Curlin	F10	KY	\$175,000	7	6	\$840,833	\$750,000
3	Tapit	F06	KY	\$185,000	4	4	\$835,000	\$675,000
4	Into Mischief	F10	KY	\$250,000	17	11	\$815,909	\$700,000
5	Gun Runner	F19	KY	\$125,000	13	12	\$760,416	\$525,000
6	Not This Time	F18	KY	\$45,000	17	14	\$682,142	\$410,000
7	Justify	F20	KY	\$100,000	8	5	\$559,630	\$400,000
8	Medaglia d'Oro	F06	KY	\$100,000	4	3	\$516,666	\$400,000
9	Constitution	F17	KY	\$85,000	7	7	\$490,714	\$500,000
10	Speightstown	F06	KY	\$90,000	5	4	\$468,750	\$412,500
11	Nyquist	F18	KY	\$55,000	9	6	\$445,883	\$487,500
12	Charlatan	F23	KY	\$50,000	10	9	\$441,111	\$375,000
13	Good Magic	F20	KY	\$30,000	13	9	\$438,333	\$425,000
14	Uncle Mo	F13	KY	\$160,000	10	7	\$405,714	\$425,000
15	Quality Road	F12	KY	\$150,000	11	8	\$399,375	\$350,000

Leading 2024 Freshman Sires of Yearlings

by cumulative average price for stallions standing in North America through Fasig-Tipton New York-Bred Yearlings

Rank	Name	Sire's Sire	Loc	2022 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Charlatan	Speightstown	KY	\$50,000	10	9	\$441,111	\$375,000
2	Essential Quality	Tapit	KY	\$75,000	9	8	\$350,146	\$385,000
3	Maxfield	Street Sense	KY	\$40,000	11	8	\$245,000	\$240,000
4	Yaupon	Uncle Mo	KY	\$30,000	29	27	\$188,777	\$185,000
5	Galilean	Uncle Mo	NY	\$7,000	3	3	\$158,333	\$160,000
6	Raging Bull (Fr)	Dark Angel (Ire)	KY	\$10,000	8	4	\$147,500	\$77,500
7	By My Standards	Goldencents	KY	\$7,500	4	2	\$103,000	\$103,000
8	Independence Hall	Constitution	KY	\$10,000	10	8	\$100,625	\$112,500
9	Tacitus	Tapit	KY	\$10,000	20	15	\$98,666	\$72,000
10	Beau Liam	Liam's Map	KY	\$6,000	14	12	\$80,750	\$57,500
11	Basin	Liam's Map	KY	\$7,500	5	3	\$80,000	\$45,000
12	Leinster	Majestic Warrior	FL	\$5,000	5	4	\$72,500	\$55,000
13	Combatant	Scat Daddy	Dead	7,500	3	2	\$65,000	\$65,000
14	Uncle Chuck	Uncle Mo	FL	\$6,500	2	2	\$65,000	\$65,000
15	Lexitonian	Speightstown	KY	\$10,000	6	5	\$60,000	\$60,000

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Saturday, Saratoga #10, post time: 5:43 p.m. EDT

ALABAMA S. PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SALES-GI, \$600,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4m

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Intricate 🛪	Gun Runner	Bradley Thoroughbreds, Laura Leigh Stable,	Walsh	Gaffalione	121
			Scott Estes and Cambron Equine, LLC			
2	Chatalas	Gun Runner	Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners,	Glatt	Dettori	121
			Dan Agnew and William Chatalas			
3	Power Squeeze 🖛	Union Rags	Lea Farms, LLC	Delgado	Castellano	121
4	Just Basking	Arrogate	Andrew and Wendy Schwarz Gilder	Wilkes	Landeros	121
5	America's Vow	Constitution	Patricia Pavlish	Hamm	Alvarado	121
6	Miss Justify 🖛	Justify	Twin Oaks Bloodstock, LLC, IEE Racing,	Pletcher	Prat	121
			Joseph Bulger and Will Campbell			
7	Candied	Candy Ride (Arg)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Pletcher	Franco	121
8	Neon Icon 🖛	Arrogate	Glenn Se. Bromagen, II and Michael Dahir	Arnold, II	Saez	121

Breeders: 1-LBD Stable, LLC, 2-Dan Agnew, 3-Forging Oaks Farm, LLC, 4-Gilder-Schwarz Farms LLC, 5-Patricia Pavlish, 6-Killora Stud, LLC, 7-Buck Pond Farm, Inc., 8-Nancy S. Dillman

Saturday, Saratoga #9, post time: 5:04 p.m. EDT

LAKE PLACID S. PRESENTED BY CAESARS SPORTSBOOK-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Deep Satin	American Pharoah	John Gunther and Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Ortiz	118
2	Grayosh	Yoshida (Jpn)	Flanagan Racing	Brown	Prat	118
3	Gala Brand 🛷	Violence	Arnmore Thoroughbred & Even Keel Thoroughbred	Mott	Lezcano	120
4	De Regreso 🖛	Audible	Cairoli Racing Stable and Magic Stables, Inc.	Sano	Saez	120
5	Spaliday 🖛	More Than Ready	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Dettori	120
6	Les Reys (Fr)	Penny's Picnic (Ire)	West Point Thoroughbreds, Peter Leidel,	Clement	Rosario	120
			and Winters Equine LLC			
7	She Feels Pretty 🖛	Karakontie (Jpn)	Lael Stables	DeVaux	Velazquez	120
8	Ori	Hard Spun	Tom F. McCrocklin and Kallenberg Farms	Nevin	Carmouche	118
9	Proctor Street	Street Sense	Patricia, L. Moseley	Walsh	Gaffalione	118
10	Dynamic Pricing (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	122
11	Beautiful Love (Ire)	Siyouni (Fr)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Franco	120
12	Lemon Muffin 🖛	Collected	Aaron Sones, Julie Gilbert and Harrison M. Sones	Lukas	Rosario	124
13	Manama Gold 🖛	Star Guitar	Victorious Racing LLC	Pletcher	Rider TBA	124
14	Camera	Curlin	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Robert LaPenta,	Pletcher	Rider TBA	119
			Stonestreet Stables LLC and Madaket Stables LLC			

Breeders: 1-Eurowest Bloodstock Services, 2-Susan E. Bedwell, 3-Desmond Ryan & Martin Schwartz, 4-Baron Thoroughbreds, LLC, 5-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 6-Athanase Poulopoulos & Haras du Hoguenet, 7-Payson Stud Inc, 8-Brookdale Farm LLC & ChervenellThoroughbreds LLC, 9-Patricia L. Moseley, 10-Epona Bloodstock Ltd, 11-Godolphin, 12-Mr. & Mrs. Theodore R. Kuster & Collected Syndicate, 13-Brittlyn, Inc., 14-GMP Stable LLC

NORTH AMERICAN RACING

SUMMER BREEZES:

It's The Honest Mischief Show at Saratoga



Some of the most highly anticipated races during the summer racing season are the 'baby' races during the boutique meetings at Saratoga and Del Mar and at Ellis Park, which attract its fair share of high-priced offspring from a variety of top national outfits. Summer Breezes highlights debuting and stakes-entered 2-year-olds at those meetings that have been sourced at the breeze-up sales earlier in the year, with links to their under-tack previews. Here are the horses entered for Wednesday at Saratoga:



Former 'TDN Rising Star' Honest Mischief is well represented Wednesday at Saratoga | Coady

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Saratoga 6, \$100k, 2yo, f, (S), 5 1/2fT, 4:00 p.m. ET

Horse (Sire)

Sale

Price (\$) Breeze

Mischief Lady (Honest Mischief)

C-New Hope AB LLC, agent; B-Paddock Proud LLC

Princess Mischief (Honest Mischief)-MTO FTMMAY 55,000 :10 1/5

C-Sequel Bloodstock, agent; B-Chris Englehart, agent

Timia (Honest Mischief) OBSJUN 100,000 :10 1/5

C-Julie Davies LLC, agent; B-S O K Racing Partnership

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Thistledown, \$38,000, Alw, 8-13, (NW16M), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.68, ft, 6 1/2 lengths.

BACK TO OHIO (f, 4, Midshipman--Sheza Runaway Star {SP}, by Pride of Burkaan), a six-time stakes winner, including the Presque Isle Debutante S., made up for a second-place finish as the favorite off the bench versus similar here July 11 with a runaway score as the 1-9 chalk. Third through an opening quarter in :22.04, the Ohio-bred took care of business from there to score by 6 1/2 lengths. Back to Ohio is a half-sister to Ucantkeepup (Keep Up), SP, \$217,824; and a Dialed In filly of this year. Her dam was bred back to Mitole. Sales history: \$70,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$385,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: MSW, 12-10-2-0, \$494,600. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Patricia's Hope LLC; B-Trail M Boarding & Guest Farm (OH); T-Larry Rivelli.

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6th-Colonial Downs, \$76,250, (S), Msw, 8-13, 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.56, fm, 1/2 length.

BUCARO (c, 2, Bucchero--Bells of War, by Declaration of War), off at 7-2 in this debut run, raced in sixth through fractions of :22.27 and :46.19. She made a good-looking move while five wide on the turn for home, and, despite racing a bit greenly down the lane, was along in time for a half-length victory over Nola Boss (Holy Boss). The winner's dam had a filly by Mitole in 2023 and a colt by Maximus Mischief this year. She was bred back to Tiz the Law. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$45,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Commonwealth New Era Racing & Marie F. Trombetta; B-Marie Trombetta & Commonwealth New Era Racing (MD); T-Michael J. Trombetta.



4th-Colonial Downs, \$63,000, Msw, 8-13, 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.74, fm, 1/2 length.

WATERING (f, 2, Divining Rod--Set for Six, by Exchange Rate) reported home a well-beaten third as the favorite on debut over a muddy main track here July 13. Giving grass a try this time, the 7-2 chance was outsprinted in ninth through an opening quarter in :23.26 and came storming home to reel in Ready to Rocknroll (Bolt d'Oro) by a half-length. The rail-drawn Orquidea Real (Neolithic) lacked racing room after pressing the early pace and broke through the rail, unseating rider Maikol Hernandez. Hernandez was sitting up and being tended to, according to track announcer Jason Beem. Orquidea Real walked off, according to the Equibase chart. The winner's dam had a filly by Honor A. P. in 2023. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$42,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Lael Stables; B-M. Roy Jackson (KY); T-Michael Stidham.

1st-Presque Isle Downs, \$29,700, Msw, 8-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:42.11, ft, 5 lengths.

GRINNING (f, 3, Bernardini--Tickle, by Distorted Humor), second at this same distance over the synthetic at Gulfstream Nov. 25, went one better off the layoff with first-time Lasix here. The 2-5 favorite led in the early going, but was content to slide back into second rounding the clubhouse turn. She made her move on the far turn, kicked for home in charge and sailed under the line a five-length winner. Tickle, from the extended female family of GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Blame, was bred to War of Will for 2025. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$27,650. Click Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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6th-Louisiana Downs, \$22,000, Msw, 8-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:31.49, fm, 2 1/4 lengths.

EYE OF THE PHARAOH (f, 3, American Pharoah--You Caught My Eye, by Can the Man) tracked the early leaders from third and powered clear to graduate by 2 1/4 lengths at odds of 7-2. The winner's dam, a half-sister to MGISW Catch a Glimpse (City Zip), had a colt by Maxfield in 2023 and a filly by American Pharoah this year. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O/B-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC (LA); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$50,000 160 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Thehillonwoodside, 4-1 \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$85,000 OBS APR 2yo

Dak Attack (Ghostzapper), Ocala Stud, \$2,500 10 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Thistledown, 1:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Jenn Sweet Jenn, 8-1 \$3,000 OBS OCT yrl

Honest Mischief (Into Mischief), Sequel New York
72 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Mischief Lady, 8-1
\$30,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$57,000 OBS MAR 2yo
6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Princess Mischief, 8-1
\$55,000 EAS MAY 2yo

6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Stone Smuggler, 5-2 \$19,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$57,000 SAR AUG yrl 6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Timia, 12-1 \$80,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$60,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$100,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Instagrand (Into Mischief), Taylor Made Farm, \$7,500 135 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 2-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:41 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Plaza Beach, 9-2 **King for a Day** (Uncle Mo), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$5,000

43 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Frankie Hiccups, 12-1 \$10,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$25,000 SAR AUG yrl

Spun to Run (Hard Spun), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000 91 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Divorced of Course, 20-1

\$27,000 RNA KEE JAN wnl; \$25,000 FTK OCT yrl

Tiz the Law (Constitution), Coolmore Ashford, \$20,000 98 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Gattatiz, 10-1

Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 162 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner 8-Delaware, 4:00 p.m. EDT, \$50K Dover S., 5 1/2f, It's Hammertime, 2-1

Win Win (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Ocala Stud, \$5,000 54 foals of racing age/4 winners/2 black-type winners 3-Belterra, 1:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Win Herbie Win, 3-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Disco Partner (Disco Rico), Rockridge Stud, private 28 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 4:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2fT, Disco Star, 5-1 \$35,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$75,000 SAR AUG yrl

First Mondays (Curlin), Northview Stallion Station 17 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Delaware, 3:00 p.m. EDT, \$50K Blue Hen S., 5 1/2f, First Pearl, 6-1 \$5,000 EAS OCT yrl

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Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 295 foals of racing age/77 winners/6 black-type winners 6-Delaware, 3:00 p.m. EDT, \$50K Blue Hen S., 5 1/2f, Atlantis Queen, 10-1

\$72,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$30,000 EAS OCT yrl

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000 291 foals of racing age/54 winners/6 black-type winners 5-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m. EDT, \$125K Suzie O'Cain S., 1 1/16m, Landed, 3-5

\$220,000 FTK NOV wnl; \$500,000 FTS AUG yrl
3-Thistledown, 1:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Sip'n' Speed, 7-2
\$39,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Roman Candle (GB) (Le Havre {Ire}), Haras de la Hetraie, \$2,800 59 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 3-Thistledown, 1:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, French Benefits (Fr), 5-2 \$8,000 KEE SEP yrl

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000 310 foals of racing age/70 winners/4 black-type winners 5-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m. EDT, \$125K Suzie O'Cain S., 1 1/16m, Boxed Wine, 6-1 \$25,000 SAR AUG yrl 5-Finger Lakes, 2:56 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Vesuvio, 5-2 \$4,500 RNA EAS OCT yrl



HANDICAP RESULTS:

4th-Prairie Meadows, \$38,800, 8-12, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36.00, sy, neck.

KEEN CAT (g, 5, Keen Ice--Calico, by Arch) Lifetime Record: MSP, 29-8-2-6, \$213,772. O-Dale J. Hopkins; B-Moreau Bloodstock International, Inc. (KY); T-Jon G. Arnett. *\$47,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV; \$21,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Colonial Downs, \$73,500, 8-13, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.01, fm, 1 length.

SHARE THE BLESSING (f, 3, Street Boss--Santa Teresa, by Awesome Again) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$94,499. O-Susan Moulton; B-Keene Ridge Racing, LLC (KY); T-Michael Stidham. *\$57,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$250,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. **1/2 to Castleknock (Bernardini), GSP, \$138,484.

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9th-Prairie Meadows, \$45,831, (S), 8-12, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.75, sy, head.

I LOVE ROCKNSTROLL (g, 4, Stroll--Bounding, by E Dubai)
Lifetime Record: 17-5-0-2, \$124,278. O-Ashby Thoroughbreds;
B-Eagle Wings Farm LLC (IA); T-T. Wellington. *\$3,700 Ylg '21 IOWOCT.

2nd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$44,880, 8-13, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 5fT, :55.82, fm, 3/4 length.

SCOTTY'S ON EDGE (g, 5, Competitive Edge--Traci Is Ready, by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-5-3-1, \$163,120. O/B-Millard R. Seldin Rev. Trust (IN); T-Robert E. Dobbs, Jr.

6th-Presque Isle Downs, \$37,940, 8-13, (NW1LX), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.40, ft, 1/2 length.

HECTOR (g, 3, Maclean's Music--Amy Farah Fowler {SW, \$157,150}, by Astrology) Lifetime Record: 11-3-5-1, \$102,125. O/B/T-Ron G. Potts (PA).

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$36,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.64, ft, neck. LURE'EM IN (f, 4, Tapit--Bet She Wins {SW}, by First Samurai) Lifetime Record: 15-4-1-2, \$129,287. O-Turks Head Turf & Meah, David; B-Lothenbach Stables Inc (KY); T-Anna M. Meah. *\$105,000 4yo '24 FTKFEB.

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8th-Thistledown, \$35,000, 8-13, (NW16M), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.06, ft, 1/2 length.

WICKED WARRIOR (g, 7, Wicked Strong--Lastaria, by Five Star Day) Lifetime Record: MSP, 37-13-8-3, \$457,188. O-Bruce N. Tallisman 2014 Trust; B-Catherine E. & Peter J. Sheppell (OH); T-Benny R. Feliciano. *\$1,200 Ylg '18 KEEJAN; \$22,000 Ylg '18 OBSOCT; \$80,000 2yo '19 OBSAPR.

4th-Thistledown, \$34,400, (NW3X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 8-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.88, ft, 3/4 length.

THE SWEATY FOX (m, 5, Bal a Bali {Brz}--Conquest Razor, by

Lonhro (Aus)) Lifetime Record: 27-7-4-3, \$129,019. O-Danielle Agnello; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Jeffrey Skerrett.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, \$31,930, (S), 8-13, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:09.50, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

FLEUR DELACOUR (f, 3, Social Inclusion--No See Um, by Greatness) Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-1, \$65,200. O-Rice Racing; B-Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA); T-Kevin Rice.

3rd-Finger Lakes, \$26,795, 8-13, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46.63, ft, nose.

PETROLO (g, 4, Bellamy Road--Bee Noteworthy {SW, \$294,685}, by Read the Footnotes) Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-0, \$70,360. O-Bond Racing Stable; B-Song Hill Thoroughbreds LLC (NY); T-Kevin Bond.

7th-Finger Lakes, \$24,500, (S), 8-13, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.69, ft, neck.

KAZ MUSIC (f, 4, Maclean's Music--Malibu Cougar, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: 18-5-5-2, \$97,039. O-Edwin J. Schatzel; B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY); T-Timothy P. Murphy.

4th-Finger Lakes, \$24,500, (S), 8-13, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:44.71, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

GOLDEN REIGN (g, 4, Goldencents--Reika, by Street Sense)
Lifetime Record: 23-4-1-5, \$88,183. O-Stoneybrook Farm Trust;

B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbred, LLC, Spruce Lane Farm, Kyle Buchakjian et al. (NY); T-Beth Miller-Saul. *\$14,000 RNA Ylg '21 SARAUG; \$10,000 Ylg '21 OBSOCT; \$40,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

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7th-Louisiana Downs, \$21,000, 8-12, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25.26, ft, 9 lengths.

SCAT FREE (g, 3, Free Drop Billy--Scat Sister, by Scat Daddy) Lifetime Record: 11-2-0-2, \$40,910. O-Robin, Dawn & Robin, Scotty; B-Lynden Lynden Branch (KY); T-Shane Wilson.

7th-Fort Erie, C\$18,309, 8-12, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.58, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

NAMEOFTHEGAME (g, 3, St Patrick's Day--Adeste, by Montbrook) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$24,329. O-Lincoln V C Radhay; B-Cynthia Ives Cauffman (FL); T-George Newland. *\$20,000 Ylg '22 OBSWIN.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Run for Gold, g, 2, Goldencents--Run With the Brave (SW, \$157,441), by Warrior's Reward. Prairie Meadows, 8-12, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.46. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$26,676. B-River Ridge Ranch (IA). *\$35,000 Ylg '23 IOWOCT. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

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Band's Free Spirit, g, 2, Higher Power--Leading the Band, by Bellamy Road. Prairie Meadows, 8-12, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05.13. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$35,724. B-River Ridge Ranch (IA). *\$20,000 Ylg '23 IOWOCT. **Second winner for freshman sire (by Medaglia d'Oro).

A Million Moons, g, 2, Mo Tom--Gloamingsky, by Sky Mesa. Louisiana Downs, 8-13, (S), 5f, :59.65. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$19,200. B-Hoffman Family Racing (LA).

Dr. Alex Is In, g, 2, **Shagaf**--Misty Mine, by Discreetly Mine. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-13, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06.20. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$23,100. B-Martha Johnson & Bruce Murphy (IN). *\$5,500 Ylg '23 INDMIX. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

Kentucky Go Go, c, 3, Hightail--Energia Fribby (Brz) (G1SW-Brz, SW-Eng, GSP-USA, \$211,018), by Agnes Gold (Jpn). Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-13, 1mT, 1:35.92. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$26,560. B-Calumet Farm (KY).

Mandatory Meeting, c, 3, Lookin At Lucky--Bitty Kitty (MSP, \$256,646), by Kitten's Joy. Colonial Downs, 8-13, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.39. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$52,525. B-Patricia L. Moseley (KY). *\$23,000 Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$100,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP.

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Unstable Storm, c, 3, **Midnight Storm**--Unstablenthemornin (SP), by First Dude. Fort Erie, 8-12, 5f, :59.63. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$10,678. B-Robert Marzilli (ON). *C\$20,000 RNA Ylg '22 CANSEP. **1/2 to Tito's Calling (Society's Chairman), SW & GSP, \$353,839.

Tidal Tactics, f, 4, English Channel--Amurmar (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-13, 1 3/8mT, 2:17.91. Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-0, \$30,578. B-AJ Suited, LLC (KY). *\$90,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$39,000 RNA 3yo '23 FTKHRA.





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American Pharoah, Eye of the Pharaoh, f, 3, o/o You Caught My Eye, by Can the Man. MSW, 8-12, Louisiana Downs Bal a Bali (Brz), The Sweaty Fox, m, 5, o/o Conquest Razor, by Lonhro (Aus). AOC, 8-13, Thistledown

Bellamy Road, Petrolo, g, 4, o/o Bee Noteworthy, by Read the Footnotes. ALW, 8-13, Finger Lakes

Bernardini, Grinning, f, 3, o/o Tickle, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 8-13, Presque Isle Downs

Bucchero, Bucaro, c, 2, o/o Bells of War, by Declaration of War. MSW, 8-13, Colonial Downs

Competitive Edge, Scotty's On Edge, g, 5, o/o Traci Is Ready, by More Than Ready. ALW, 8-13, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Divining Rod, Watering, f, 2, o/o Set for Six, by Exchange Rate. MSW, 8-13, Colonial Downs

English Channel, Tidal Tactics, f, 4, o/o Amurmar (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). MSW, 8-13, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Free Drop Billy, Scat Free, g, 3, o/o Scat Sister, by Scat Daddy. ALW, 8-12, Louisiana Downs

Goldencents, Golden Reign, g, 4, o/o Reika, by Street Sense. ALW, 8-13, Finger Lakes

Goldencents, Run for Gold, g, 2, o/o Run With the Brave, by Warrior's Reward. MSW, 8-12, Prairie Meadows

Higher Power, Band's Free Spirit, g, 2, o/o Leading the Band, by Bellamy Road. MSW, 8-12, Prairie Meadows

Hightail, Kentucky Go Go, c, 3, o/o Energia Fribby (Brz), by Agnes Gold (Jpn). MSW, 8-13, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Keen Ice, Keen Cat, g, 5, o/o Calico, by Arch. HCP, 8-12, Prairie Meadows

Lookin At Lucky, Mandatory Meeting, c, 3, o/o Bitty Kitty, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 8-13, Colonial Downs

Maclean's Music, Hector, g, 3, o/o Amy Farah Fowler, by Astrology. ALW, 8-13, Presque Isle Downs

Maclean's Music, Kaz Music, f, 4, o/o Malibu Cougar, by Malibu Moon. ALW, 8-13, Finger Lakes

Midnight Storm, Unstable Storm, c, 3, o/o Unstablenthemornin, by First Dude. MSW, 8-12, Fort Erie

Midshipman, Back to Ohio, f, 4, o/o Sheza Runaway Star, by Pride of Burkaan. ALW, 8-13, Thistledown

Mo Tom, A Million Moons, g, 2, o/o Gloamingsky, by Sky Mesa. MSW, 8-13, Louisiana Downs

Shagaf, Dr. Alex Is In, g, 2, o/o Misty Mine, by Discreetly Mine. MSW, 8-13, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Social Inclusion, Fleur Delacour, f, 3, o/o No See Um, by Greatness. ALW, 8-13, Presque Isle Downs

St Patrick's Day, Nameofthegame, g, 3, o/o Adeste, by Montbrook. ALW, 8-12, Fort Erie

Street Boss, Share the Blessing, f, 3, o/o Santa Teresa, by Awesome Again. ALW, 8-13, Colonial Downs

Stroll, I Love Rocknstroll, g, 4, o/o Bounding, by E Dubai. ALW, 8-12, Prairie Meadows

Tapit, Lure'em In, f, 4, o/o Bet She Wins, by First Samurai. AOC, 8-13, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Wicked Strong, Wicked Warrior, g, 7, o/o Lastaria, by Five Star Day. ALW, 8-13, Thistledown



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It is 15 years since Gwen Monneraye and Lucie Lamotte launched their La Motteraye Consignment and since then they have built their business up from scratch to being responsible for topping the Arqana August Sale of 2018 with a €1.4m Dubawi colt.

Last year La Motteraye was the fourth-leading vendor with 16 yearlings sold at an average price of €201,563 and it would be no surprise to see them near the top of the table once more. The stud's draft of 30 yearlings are garnered from an international client base, including Heike Bischoff and Niko Lafrentz of Gestut Gorlsdorf, the breeders of German Derby winner Sea The Moon (Ger) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), and their fellow German-based Michael Andre, breeder of Group 1 winner Alenquer (Fr) (Adlerflug {Ger}). Closer to home, their French clients include David Salabi of Haras de Thenney and Samuel de Barros of Haras des Authieux, who raced the Prix de Diane winner Channel (Ire) (Nathaniel {Ire}).

Gwen Monneraye says: "I think there is reason to be optimistic about the sale. Saratoga was very strong and Deauville a year ago was very strong as well, so the mood seems to be good right now." **Cont.**, **p3**

WHAT BECAME OF THE ARQANA AUGUST SALE TOP LOTS?

So what became of the likely lads and lassies? Since 2011, there has been a seven-figure top lot each year at the Arqana August Sale.

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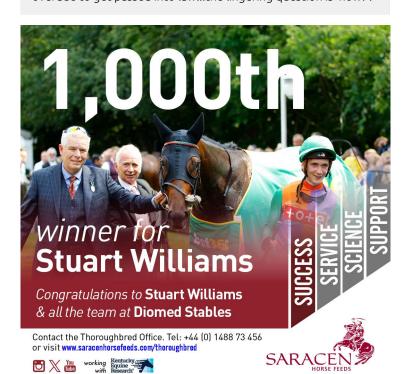
However, it's fair to say there has been some correlation between the Arqana August Sale top lots and high-class runners, with Magic Wand (Ire) perhaps being one of the best examples.

This Galileo (Ire) daughter of Listed-winning Dansili (GB) mare Prudenzia (Ire) boasted the most obviously high-class pedigree when offered under the hammer here in 2016. Cont., p4

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The Japanese St Leger winner Durezza, ridden by Tomohito Ozeki's assistant trainer Yoichi Yahara, warming up in Newmarket for a run in the Juddmonte International Stakes at York next Wednesday. | Emma Berry

7 | AGA KHAN RELOCATES ROUGET-TRAINED HORSES TO GRAFFARD

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11 | SIYOUNI'S LHAKPA STAYS PERFECT IN FRANCE

A €600,000 Arqana August graduate, the juvenile kept on strongly to claim her second prize as the 9-5 favourite in Deauville.

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Argana Lowdown, cont. from p1

"Overall I am very happy with our draft. We have the filly out of Channel and the mare's two-year-old [Ultrasoul] was second first time out and has an entry in the Lagardere as well as in two Group 2s in England [the Champagne and the Mill Reef Stakes].

"We are selling half-siblings to three Group 1 winners: Alenquer, then there is a Siyouni half-brother to Aspetar (GB) (Al Kazeem {GB}) and an Earthlight half-brother to [G1 Metrolpolitan winner] Just Fine (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}). There's also yearlings by Frankel, Wootton Bassett Too Darn Hot, Sea The Stars and Sea The Moon, so it's very exciting. The vibes are also really good about St Mark's Basilica's first yearlings.

"We've been working with Gorlsdorf for the last year. They are very successful breeders and they know their stuff. It's always good to work with established breeders. We also have a good relationship with David Salabi of Haras de Thenney. We are selling the half-brother to [Listed-winning two-year-old] Fakarava for him, and it's a young farm so that is exciting for the future.

"Our own farm has been extended again this year. We have extended it every year and we bought a farm this year, last year and three years ago, so it is now 220 hectares. It is important to have plenty of land so when we have had the opportunity we have taken it.

"Ciara O'Connor takes care of all the sales for us. Everyone knows her and likes her and it is great to have her help."

Draft highlights:

Lot 32, by Victor Ludorum (GB) out of Wild Blossom (Ger) (Areion {Ger})

The half-sister to G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup winner Alenquer is from the first crop of Darley's Classic-winning son of Shamardal, Victor Ludorum. The second dam is Wind In Her Hair, but don't be fooled - it's not that one. This one, however, is from a decent family herself and is a half-sister to four black-type performers.

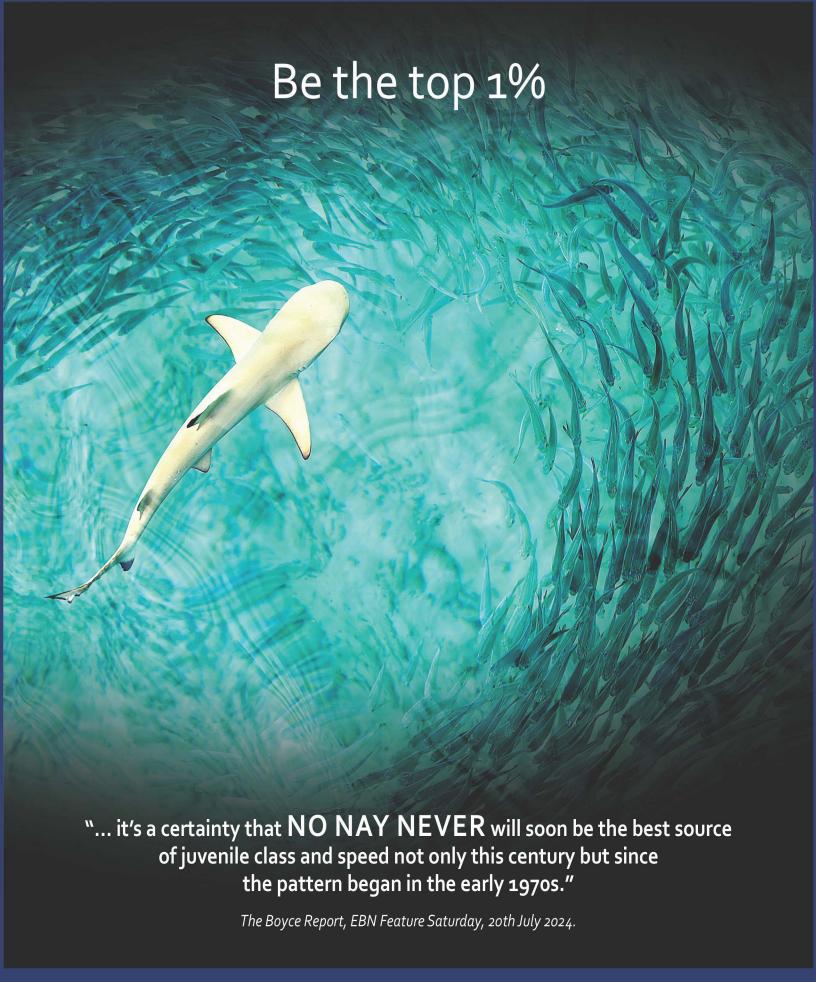
Lot 53, a colt by Frankel out of Ambition (GB) (Dubawi {Ire})

Ambition was herself the winner of the G2 Prix La Corrida and runner-up in the G1 Prix Jean Romanet, but she is also a daughter of the Oaks winner Talent (GB) (New Approach {Ire}). This is her first foal.

Lot 91, a filly by Wootton Bassett (GB) out of Channel (Ire) (Nathaniel {Ire})

From the Fittocks Stud foundation family of Souk (Ire), Channel is a granddaughter of the G1 Cheveley Park Stakes winner Magical Romance (GB). The mare's first two yearlings to sell fetched €400,000 and €200,000. Cont.





COOLMORE



Lot 32, the Victor Ludorum half-sister to Group 1 winner Alenquer

The draft also features the first yearling by Tally-Ho Stud's Starman (GB) to go through the ring. Lot 259 is a filly out of a half-sister to the GII New York Stakes and G3 Prix de Psyche winner Homerique (Exchange Rate).

Claim to fame: Along with Alenquer, other notable graduates from La Motteraye Consignment include dual Group 2 winner The Juliet Rose (Fr), G2 Great Voltigeur winner Deauville Legend (Ire), G2 Prix du Muguet winner Sibila Spain (Ire), and the G3 Molecomb Stakes winner and G1 Middle Park third Armor (GB).

Last word: "Last year's sale was just fireworks: it was amazing to be a part of it."

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Arqana Top Lots, cont. from p1

A half-sister to Irish Oaks winner Chicquita (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), who became something of a sales ring show-stopper herself when lighting up the Goffs November Mares Sale in 2013 at €6 million, Magic Wand was destined to draw a huge amount of interest at Arqana.

It seemed fitting that Coolmore, whose colours were carried by Chicquita following that \in 6 million transaction, landed Magic Wand for a sale-topping \in 1.4 million and it proved to be money well spent by what she achieved on the track.

A Group 1 winner in Australia, the hardy and ultra-consistent Magic Wand filled the runner-up spot in some of the world's most prestigious races--the Hong Kong Cup, Irish Champion Stakes and Arlington Million--which led to her amassing career earnings well in excess of $\[\in \]$ 4 million.

Cont.





Magic Wand | Bronwen Healy

Bred by Monceaux, a name synonymous with big-ticket lots at Arqana, in partnership with Skymarc Farm, Magic Wand is certainly one of the top lots who lived up to her billing and is rightly thought of as something of a poster girl for the sale.

Her influence continues as a broodmare given she is the dam of recent TDN Rising Star, Ecstatic (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}).

Of course, it doesn't always work out that, for a seven-figure investment, you net yourself a globetrotting superstar.

Other big-money buys have not been as lucky.

It was a decade back where the well-bred Fadillah (GB) (Monsun {Ger}) commanded €1.2 million and, while she began her career with a pair of victories, was ultimately beaten in a Goodwood handicap off just 79 on her third and final start.

A sister to five winners, including German Oaks winner Soberania, Fadillah subsequently sold for 700,000gns at the Tattersalls December Mares Sale to Katsumi Yoshida and she has already produced a winner in Japan.

In 2015, a Dubawi (Ire) colt from the Monceaux draft smashed a 13-year-old record of €2 million when selling to John Ferguson on behalf of Godolphin for €2.6 million.

The horse would go on to be named Parabellum (Ire) and he still holds the record as the most expensive yearling ever sold at the Arqana August Sale. However, he failed to build on his initial promise on the level. **Cont.**



Argana's Lot 134 is a full-brother to last year's €2.4m sales-topping filly, and a half-brother to two Group 1 winners Bucanero Fuerte (GB) and Wooded (Ire). Click the play button to hear Haras d'Etreham's Nicolas de Chambure talk about the son of Dubawi (Ire) | Argana photo

A Galileo half-brother to Ectot (GB) and Most Improved (Ire) was the only horse to grace the seven-figure mark in 2016 when selling to Coolmore and, while he [South Pacific (GB)] managed to win the King George Stakes at Royal Ascot for Aidan O'Brien, he was ultimately no star and was later sold to continue his career in Australia.

It has been something of the Dubawi show ever since 2016, with the Dalham Hall-based stallion siring all bar one of the seven-figure top lots in the intervening period. Al Battar (Ire) [sold for €1.55 million in 2017], Swift Verdict (GB) [sold for €1.4 million in 2018] and Queen Of My Heart (GB) [sold for €2.4 million in 2021] all proved inauspicious on the racetrack.

However, Magic Wand's half-sister Philomene (Ire), who fetched €1.625 million in 2019 to Godolphin, carried her top lot status with distinction on the racetrack by winning twice, including the G3 Prix Penelope, and chasing home Joan Of Arc (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the Prix de Diane.

The only horse since 2017 to top the Arqana August Yearling Sale on seven figures is Siyouni's son Shin Emperor (Fr) - a full-brother to Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Sottsass (Fr). Bought by Japan's training legend Yoshito Yahagi for $\ensuremath{\in} 2.1$ million, Shin Emperor hit the frame in the Japanese Derby back in May.

But the best is still expected to come from the colt, who is firmly on course for a European campaign in the second half of this season.

Should Shin Emperor's career culminate with him emulating his brother in the Arc, which he is understood to be training towards, he would prove the ultimate flag-bearer for the seven-figure top lots at Argana.

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FROM MOULES TO MOJITOS: A GASTRO GUIDE TO DEAUVILLE

Normandy resident and regular TDN contributor **Alix Choppin** uses her local knowledge to offer overseas visitors some valuable pointers on where to eat, drink and be merry after a long day at the Arqana sales.

Despite being home to no more than 5,000 souls in the heart of winter, Deauville in summertime turns into a buzzy, sleepless town where restaurants, bars, clubs and countless sorts of hybrid eating/drinking/partying venues combine to make stay-at-home nights an unlikely option.

Perhaps one of the most iconic venues, to the extent that its name will sound to many readers almost synonymous with after-racing/sales chill out is **Le Brok**. The small, narrow bar with a sunbathed terrace recently underwent a change of ownership after the infamous Phiphi, aka 'Mojito World Champion', retired.



The new-look Le Brok Cafe

Following a thorough renovation, Le Brok reopened with a fresh look and concept. Gone is the Cuban theme, however, house cocktails remain the signature product. Light food can also be enjoyed, making it the ideal place to relax and recharge after a day of pushing your step count through a combination of yearling inspections and top-class racing.

Alongside the picturesque boardwalk 'les planches', which was created just a century ago, **Ciro's** is another flagship venue to have been fully revamped and renovated. First opened in July 1959, this institution of sophisticated gastronomy serves the finest seafood as well as traditional French dishes and patisseries, with the sunset as a stunning backdrop.

Several more casual options have popped up on the beach in recent years and make for a hard-to-beat experience to round off a hot summer day. The historic Les Ammonites has now been joined by the aptly named Sunset Beach, La Paillotte and the latest addition La Villa Sur La Plage. For an early evening drink or an outdoor dinner to the sounds of DJ vibes, there is clearly no better way of making the most of summertime.

Just off the beach, in the Casino basement, **Noto** is the new hub for festive dinners and clubbing warm-ups. Launched by leading 'gastrotainment' group Moma, which also operates venues in Paris, Saint-Tropez, Miami and Marrakech, it celebrates Italian cuisine with a jet-set twist. The risotto al tartufo (truffle risotto), served in a wheel of Pecorino cheese for the whole table, is a must-have. Live music brings a warm ambiance to the lavishly decorated room, and ensures a smooth transition towards **Leone Discoteca**, formerly known as Regine's, which is literally next door.

After such rich delicacies and a long night out, those looking for a light lunch in town will enjoy **Le Yacht**, a brasserie with unheralded potential in my view.



La Villa Sur La Plage is a new addition to the list of Deauville restaurants

Located on the vibrant market square, it serves delicious crepes, salads and fresh fish throughout the day, with a fascinating outlook on the vegetable, cheese and clothing stalls that take over the square every Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Just around the corner, Fanfaron remains - legitimately so one of the most popular eateries among racing folks, while pizzeria Santa Lucia needs no more introduction. And for those with enough time and leg power to wander across the bridge to Deauville's sister town of Trouville, there are just as many attractive venues over there. The greatest challenge while staying in Deauville might prove to be finding enough room to sample all those yummy delicacies, and enough stamina to keep up with the most battle-hardened regulars.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

AGA KHAN RELOCATES ROUGET-TRAINED HORSES TO THE CARE OF GRAFFARD

Less than a week after it was announced that Jean-Claude Rouget was set to join forces with Jerome Reynier, the Aga Khan Studs revealed that it has relocated horses trained by Rouget to Francis-Henri Graffard.

A statement released on Tuesday said, "The team at Aga Khan Studs extend their heartfelt thanks to Jean-Claude Rouget for his dedication over the past 19 years, during which time he has won seven Group 1 races for H.H. the Aga Khan, including Valyra (Prix de Diane), Ervedya (Poule d'Essai des Pouliches, Coronation Stakes and Prix du Moulin de Longchamp) and more recently Vadeni (Prix du Jockey Club and Eclipse Stakes)."

Graffard has already enjoyed a huge amount of success for the Aga Khan, most notably when sending out Poule d'Essai des Pouliches winner Rouhiya earlier this summer.

It was revealed last week that Rouget, 71, who has training bases in Pau and Deauville, would operate alongside Reynier from January 1, 2025.

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FILLIES DOMINATE THE TIMEFORM JUVENILE PECKING ORDER

Bedtime Story (Ire) (Frankel {GB}) leads the Timeform juveniles as the highest rated this season with a 116p, and the fillies are dominating the pecking order.

A 9 1/2-length winner of the Listed Chesham Stakes at the Royal Ascot meeting, and producing another dominating display July 25 en route to victory in the G3 Jockey Club of Turkey Silver Flash Stakes, the 'TDN Rising Star' is the highest rated 2-year-old and her stablemate multiple Group-winning Fairy Godmother (Ire) (Night Of Thunder (Ire)) picks up the joint second spot with a rating of 112p. She shares the ranking with G1 Keeneland Phoenix Stakes heroine 'TDN Rising Star' Babouche (GB) (Kodiac (GB)), who in winning the race accomplished a feat not witnessed in 13 years since La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}) claimed the prize in 2011.

A filly has only finished the season in Timeform's top spot as highest-rated juvenile once in the last century--Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy) in 2016--but with the highest rated colt, Listed Railway Stakes winner Henri Matisse (Ire) (Wootton Bassett (GB)), coming in at 110p and 'TDN Rising Star' Ancient Truth (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) only narrowly behind at 109p, the colts are lagging behind thus far in the season.

"Of the 12 juveniles in Britain and Ireland with a Timeform rating of 105 or higher, four of them are fillies," said Timeform handicapper Billy Nash. "At this stage last season there were 11 juveniles in Britain and Ireland rated 105 or higher and not one of them was a filly--Relief Rally was the highest on 104."

For his effort in last Sunday's G1 Prix de Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard Jacques le Marois, Charyn (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)) has improved his rating from 123 to 125 after defeating French Guineas victor Metropolitan (Fr) (Zarak (Fr)) and multiple Group 1-winner Inspiral (GB) (Frankel (GB)), who was trying for a threepeat.

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Bedtime Story (purple cap) is the highest-rated juvenile this season | Alamy

TATTERSALLS SEPTEMBER SALE CATALOGUE AVAILABLE ONLINE

The catalogue for the Tattersalls September Sale has been released and is available online, the auction house announced via presser on Tuesday.

Set to take place on Tuesday, Sept. 10 after having previously gone late August, 240 lots have been assembled with 155 colts and geldings both in and out-of-training as well as 77 fillies and mares both in and out-of-training. Seven broodmares were also catalogued. Scheduled to go through the ring are consignments from some of England's leading trainers including lots offered on behalf of John & Thady Gosden and Roger Varian.

Highlights of the sale include Lot 71 **God of Fire (Ire)** (Muhraar {GB}), who comes into the auction riding a three-race win-streak and hails from the family of European champion 2-year-old colt, and joint champion 3-year-old St. Mark's Basilica (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}). That multiple Group 1-winner's half-brother is twice Group 1-winning Magna Grecia (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), whose shared Group-winning dam is a half-sister to the mare who produced multiple Listed winner, multiple Group-placed Dancing Tango (Ire) (Camelot {GB}). The 4-year-old brings a Timeform Rating of 97 from his last three efforts.

Group-winning form will also be on offer as **Dubai Station (GB)** (Brazen Beau {Aus}), lot 58, and **Tactical (GB)** (Toronado {Ire}), lot 128, will pass through the ring. Amo Racing's multiple Group-placed **Crispy Cat (GB)** (Ardad {Ire}), lot 186, will be offered with a stakes victory in the States to his credit from his last three races.

Also catalogued is **Born Ruler (GB)** (Kingman {GB}) as Lot 190, a grandson of European champion 3-year-old filly, Irish champion older mare and multiple Group 1-winning globetrotter Ouija Board (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}.

As such, the 4-year-old gelding hails from the family of European joint champion 3-year-old colt Australia (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) and that one's half-brother, Group 1-placed Frontiersman (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}). Lot 111 Mascapone (GB) (Massaat {Ire}) is Listed-placed in the Pat Eddery Stakes at Ascot with a full-sister catalogued to Book 3 of the October Yearling sale to go a month later.

"Since its inception in 2020, this fixture--previously held in late August--has quickly established itself as a consistent source of Group winners bought for as little as 10,000 guineas and this year's Tattersalls September Sale has been well supported by many of the leading British and Irish trainers," said Tattersalls chairman Edmond Mahony.

"The hallmark of horses in training sales at Tattersalls is quality and diversity and the catalogue has all the ingredients to attract an abundance of domestic and international buyers to Park Paddocks for the 2024 Tattersalls September Sale."

The full catalogue may be viewed here.

The sale will be held both in person and online, with buyers having an option to bid online via the Tattersalls Live Internet Bidding platform. Print catalogues will be available from Tattersalls and Tattersalls representatives on Monday, Aug. 19.

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EVIDENCE-BASED STRATEGIES KEY TO WORK OF TBA

The 107th annual general meeting of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association (TBA), held on Tuesday, Aug. 13, saw members and trustees gather at Newbury racecourse to discuss the ongoing challenges in British racing's future.

Philip Newton, chairman of the association, reiterated that evidence-based strategy as well as incentives and intervention were working, and that the methods were the way forward for a sustainable future. Newton took time to highlight the positive impact of both the Elite Mares' Scheme as well as the Great British Bonus (GBB) Scheme. The latter has paid out over £16-million in bonuses to owners, winning connections, and breeders in the last four years since its launch in 2020, and there has been a 16.3% increase in the median price of a GBB-eligible filly at sales.

"We believe that additional money needs to be set aside to reward breeders and owners that adopt policies and behaviours that deliver and influence positive change and participation for the whole health of the sport."

There was frustration, however, as Newton discussed the effect of self-interests within the industry with different and more immediate agendas; ones he claimed were slowing down progression. **Cont.**



The TBA annual general meeting was held Tuesday at Newbury Racecourse | Thoroughbred Breeders' Association

There was also conversation on the need for transformative change to racing's finances, which Newton described the current state as a 'plan to fail'.

"To rely upon the structure and funding model that has existed since 1962, and with media rights from 1986, is to plan to fail and I am not being dramatic or overstating the potential crisis that we are facing."

The TBA is currently exploring opportunities that different audiences and markets can provide the racing product, and Phase two of the project is due to begin shortly with a report expected at the end of the year. One key area is equine welfare, with the association calling for clear action to deliver a structure, strategy, and funding solution beyond talk and good intentions.

"We have the foundations of a structure with RoR [Retraining of Racehorses] to deliver aftercare, we have the HWB [Horse Welfare Board] to set the strategies and police delivery. We urgently need a funding proposal, and I am grateful to my Deputy Chair Kate Sigsworth, who has taken this responsibility on, and is close to a proposal that already has much industry stakeholder support," Newton commented.

Tribute was also paid in regard to the passing of Paul Darling last week. Darling was the chairman of the Horse Race Betting Levy Board and a noted supporter of the Great British Bonus. The meeting's official matters of business also included the extension of Newton's term of office to 2027 to ensure a full term as chair and the appointment of two new elected trustees in Joe Callan and Jan Hopper. Kate Sigsworth was also confirmed as re-elected for a second term as deputy chair while Colin Bryce stepped down after four years as a trustee.

A full summary of the meeting minutes is available here. The 2023 annual report was formally launched and may be found here on the TBA website.

FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, 14 August 2024 **UNITED KINGDOM**

Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 83 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 14:45-BEVERLEY, 7.5f, Far Ahead (Ire) €48,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022

Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud 101 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 14:45-BEVERLEY, 7.5f, Stanhope Gardens (Ire) €82,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; 210,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 110 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners 15:00-SALISBURY, 6f, Gallant (Fr) €62,000 Argana Deauville October Yearlings 2023; €170,000 Arqana May 2yo Breeze Up 2024

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud

87 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners 17:25-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, Del Ray (GB) 180,000gns RNA Tattersalls July Sale 2024 14:15-BEVERLEY, 5f, Kamara Queen (GB) 14,000gns RNA Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023; 15,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Yearling Sale 2023 15:30-SALISBURY, 40K The British Stallion Studs Ebf Stonehenge Stakes (Class 1) (Listed Race)8f, New Century (GB)

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Kameko | Tweenhills Stud

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud 96 foals of racing age/8 winners/2 black-type winners 14:45-BEVERLEY, 7.5f, Gentle Warrior (Ire) €50,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; 58,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023 17:30-FFOS LAS, 7.5f, One More Chrome (Ire)

€30,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; £26,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud 109 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners 17:25-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Maybe Not (GB)**

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud
121 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners
15:00-SALISBURY, 6f, Peter The Wolf (GB)
4,500gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; €9,000 Goffs
Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023; 88,000gns Tattersalls Guineas
Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2024

Without Parole (GB) (Frankel {GB}), Newsells Park Stud 53 foals of racing age/8 winners/0 black-type winners 17:25-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, Emily Rebecca (GB) 14,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 42,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023 Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 26 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 15:00-SALISBURY, 6f, The Bear of Saints (Fr)

FRANCE

Romanised (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot

84 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 2-VICHY, 1400m, **Young and Proud (Fr)** €15,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Threat (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), Haras du Mont Goubert 42 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 2-VICHY, 1400m, Abbesses (GB) 1,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022

IRELAND

River Boyne (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), Tara Stud 30 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 2-GOWRAN PARK, 7f, Bella Boyne (Ire)



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STONEHENGE TEST FOR THE PARTHENON

15.30 Salisbury, Listed, £40,000, 2yo, 8fT THE PARTHENON (IRE) (Kingman (GB)) has missed three group 2 engagements due to ground conditions, but with Salisbury currently enjoying good-to-firm going the scene is set for Ballydoyle's highly promising 2-year-old colt to strut his stuff in this three-runner Listed British Stallion Studs EBF Stonehenge Stakes. The fact that the son of the Listed Cheshire Oaks winner and Oaks runner-up Wonder Of Wonders (Kingmambo) was due to represent the stable in Goodwood's G2 Vintage Stakes suggests he is considered potential top-drawer material and we will find out more here as he encounters Qatar Racing's **New** Century (GB) (Kameko), the Andrew Balding-trained Listed Pat Eddery Stakes runner-up and the Nicholas Jones homebred Luther (GB) (Frankel {GB}), a Charlie Fellowes-trained son of the G3 Musidora Stakes winner Give And Take (GB) (Cityscape {GB}) who scored on debut over seven furlongs here in June.

17.25 Kempton, Novice, £6,800, 2yo, f, 7f (AWT)

ELWATEEN (IRE) (Dubawi {Ire}) is Shadwell's first foal out of their G1 Prix Saint-Alary heroine Tawkeel (GB) (Teofilo {Ire}) and is a rare runner from the operation for the Saeed bin Suroor stable which has hosted a few in these silks down the years. The G1 Fillies' Mile entry encounters another blueblood in Cheveley Park Stud's Inquisition (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), a Sir Michael Stoute-trained daughter of the G3 Prix de Flore winner Intimation (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}).

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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Nottingham, £**6,899, Mdn**, 8-13, 2yo, f, 6f 18yT, 1:14.44, g/f.

FIRST INSTINCT (GB) (f, 2, Bated Breath {GB}--Proportional {GB} {G1SW-Fr, \$357,727}, by Beat Hollow {GB}) dwelt at the break and raced towards the rear through halfway in this unveiling. Coming under pressure to reduce arrears approaching the final quarter-mile, the 4-1 chance went second passing the furlong pole and was pushed out to deny Kalahari Blue (Ire) (Blue Point {Ire}) by a neck nearing the line. "It's important, first time, that they enjoy it and that they learn to race the right way," said Maureen Haggas. "She behaved immaculately all day and has taken it all in her stride. Cont.



First Instinct (inside) | Racingfotos.com

There was plenty going on and it was a nice first run. She's not short of speed, but has a bit of growing to do."

First Instinct is the 10th of 11 foals and sixth scorer out of G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Proportional (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}), herself a full-sister to G3 Park Express Stakes victrix and G1 Irish 1000 Guineas third Vote Often (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}). Proportional was a 150,000gns acquisition, carrying the winner, at Tattersalls' 2021 December Mares sale. Final Instinct, whose second dam is the dual Group 3-placed Minority (GB) (Generous {Ire}), is a half sister to Listed Kildare Finale Stakes victrix Variable (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}) and a yearling filly by Frankel (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,770.

O/B-Dunchurch Lodge Stud Company (GB); T-William Haggas.

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3rd-Lingfield, \mathfrak{L} **15,000, Novice**, 8-13, 2yo, f, 5f 6y (AWT), :58.90, st.

STAR OF MEHMAS (IRE) (f, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Caelica {Ire}, by Sea The Stars {Ire}), fifth on debut at Windsor last month, was in front from the outset. Surging clear on the home turn, the 9-2 shot was eased late to score by two lengths from Miss Nightfall (GB) (Sands Of Mali {Fr}). The dam, whose yearling colt by Saxon Warrior (Jpn) is due to sell at the upcoming Goffs Orby Book 2, is a daughter of the Listed Dick Poole Fillies' Stakes winner and G3 Princess Margaret Stakes runner-up who was responsible for the G3 Prix Thomas Bryon winner and G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf and G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches-placed East (GB) (Frankel {GB}). Sales history: 30,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$10,373.

O-Jaber Abdullah; B-T Stewart & J Hanly (IRE); T-Richard Hughes.

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HANDICAP RESULTS:

4th-Royal Windsor, £75,000, Hcp, 8-12, 3yo/up, 6f 12yT, 1:09.85, g/f.

ELMONJED (IRE) (g, 3, Blue Point {Ire}--Naafer {GB}, by Oasis Dream {GB}) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-2, \$81,900. O/B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd (IRE); T-William Haggas. *1/2 to Pinafore (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), SP-Eng & Ire.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Top Juggler (Ire), c, 2, **Bungle Inthejungle (GB)**--Rebecca Rolfe (GB) (SW & GSP-Ity, \$146,265), by Pivotal (GB). Hamilton, 8-13, 6f 6yT, 1:13.71. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$8,325. B-M Brigid B Ltd (IRE). *34,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT.

Pasha (GB), f, 3, Advertise (GB)--Flight To Fancy (GB), by Galileo (Ire). Nottingham, 8-13, 8f 75yT, 1:45.63. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$4,841. B-Waratah Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd (GB). *€100,000 Ylg '22 GOFOR.

Historic City (Ire), g, 3, **Belardo (Ire)**--Silk Words (GB), by Dubawi (Ire). Hamilton, 8-13, 9f 35yT, 1:58.29. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$10,429. B-Godolphin (IRE).

FRANCE

Tuesday's Results:

1st-Deauville, €34,000, Cond, 8-13, 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2fT, 1:35.46, gd.

SIR TOMMY CEN (IRE) (c, 2, Dark Angel {Ire}--

Lastroseofsummer {Ire}, by Haafhd {GB}), who ran fourth tackling seven furlongs at Dieppe in his July 23 last time, stalked the tempo in second for most of this return. Coming under pressure in early straight, the even-money second choice hit the front approaching the final furlong and was ridden out to defeat 7-10 favourite Prosecutor (Fr) (Persian King {Ire}) by 2 1/2 lengths. Sir Tommy Cen is the ninth of 10 foals and one of seven scorers out of a multiple-winning half-sister to four black-type performers headed by multiple Group-placed Listed Stubbs Stakes victor Romantic Affair (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}. The February-foaled grey is a full-brother to G3 Prix des Reservoirs victrix Melesina (Ire) and a yearling filly. He is also a half to G3 Craven Stakes runner-up White Mocha (Lope De Vega {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €32,000.

O/B-Yeguada Centurion SLU (IRE); T-Maurizio Guarnieri.

2nd-Deauville, €34,000, Cond, 8-13, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:40.49, gd. LHAKPA (IRE) (f, 2, Siyouni {Fr}--Enchanting Skies {Ire} {SP-Fr}, by Sea The Stars {Ire}), who posted a narrow victory going seven furlongs at Compiegne in her June 22 debut last time, broke in fourth and went forward to gain an early advantage in this one.



Ghislain Bozo (left) purchased Lhakpa at Arqana August last year Emma Berry

Unflustered on the lead into the home straight, the 9-5 favourite was shaken up with 300 metres remaining and kept on strongly in the latter stages to score by 1 3/4 lengths from La Ferveur (GB) (Ghaiyyath {Ire}).

"We are delighted with the win of Lhakpa. She's not very big but she has quality and does everything you want. We haven't decided on the next race for her yet. But we can only be happy," said Ghislain Bozo, who purchased the filly last year. Bozo will be shopping at Arqana over the next week.

"We will buy for Everest Racing [owners of Lhakpa] again this week, along with some other clients. There are some very nice horses in the sale so we are hopeful we will find something we like."

Lhakpa, a €600,000 Arqana August graduate, is the second foal and winner produced by Listed Prix de Thiberville second Enchanting Skies (Ire) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), herself a sale-topping €500,000 Baden-Baden September yearling in 2016.

The March-foaled bay's dam is one of four stakes performers out of the stakes-placed Estefania (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}), headed by G1 Preis von Europa victor Empoli (Ger) (Halling). Estefania, in turn, is out of a half-sister to multiple Group 1-winning G2 German 1000 Guineas and G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) heroine Elle Danzig (Ger) (Roi Danzig). Lhakpa is a half-sister to last term's G3 Prix La Rochette victor and multiple Group 1-placed 'TDN Rising Star' Beauvatier (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}). Sales history: €600,000 Ylg '23 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €32,000.

O-Everest Racing, Qatar Racing Ltd & Mme Barbara M Keller; B-Ecuries des Monceaux, Qatar Bloodstock Ltd & Mme Barbara M Keller (IRE); T-Yann Barberot.

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1st-La Teste-Bassin Arcachon, €27,000, Cond, 8-13, 2yo, 7fT, 1:27.82, gd.

RUE DU DOME (FR) (f, 2, Waldpark {Ger}--Saturdaynightfever {Fr}, by Wootton Bassett {GB}), off the mark over this course and distance last month, soon held the lead. Maintaining the momentum up the straight, the 4-1 shot held on to score by a neck from Selenien (Fr) (Mehmas {Ire}). The dam is a daughter of the listed scorer Saturnine (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) who produced the G2 Prix de Malleret winner Rue Boissonade (Fr) (Seabhac) and whose family includes the G3 Prix Vanteaux scorer Just Little (Fr) (Grand Slam). Sales history: €5,500 Ylg '23 ARQNOV. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €15,000.

O-Ludovic Mounier, K Tavares, Ecurie du Gave, Ecurie X & Bruno Piovesan (FR); B-Ecurie X (FR); T-Kevin Tavares.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

7th-La Teste-Bassin Arcachon, €22,000, 8-13, 3yo, 12fT, 2:33.95, gd.

CORNELIENNE (IRE) (f, 3, Golden Horn {GB}--Australienne {Ire}, by Monsun {Ger}) Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, €56,900.

O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (IRE); T-Christophe Ferland. *1/2 to Palomba (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$115,620, & to Tasmania (Fr) (Zoffany {Ire}), G1SP-Fr, \$119,472.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Selemiah (GB), f, 3, Golden Horn (GB)--Shendeliya (Fr), by Pivotal (GB). Deauville, 8-13, 10fT, 2:08.98. B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (GB).

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PRIX GUILLAUME D'ORNANO-G2, €400,000, 3yo, 10fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	6	Almaqam (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Walker	Buick	128
2	1	Safwan (GB)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Rouget	Pacaut	128
3	4	Wahdan (Ire)	Siyouni (Fr)	Rouget	Eyquem	128
4	7	Economics (GB)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Haggas	Marquand	128
5	5	Jayarebe (Fr)	Zoffany (Ire)	Meehan	Levey	128
6	2	Arrow Eagle (Fr)	Gleneagles (Ire)	Rouget	Demuro	128
7	3	Bright Picture (Fr)	Intello (Ger)	Fabre	Guyon	128

Thursday, Deauville, France, post time: 17:35

PRIX DE LIEUREY - FONDS EUROPEEN DE L'ELEVAGE-G3, €80,000, 3yo, f, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	1	Otherwordly (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Graffard	Marquand	125
2	3	Bright Thunder (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Burke	Pouchin	125
3	9	Rose Bloom (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	N Clement	Pasquier	125
4	10	See You Around (Ire)	Siyouni (Fr)	Sogorb	Crastus	125
5	2	Les Pavots (Ire)	No Nay Never	Graffard	Barzalona	125
6	5	Ribaltagaia	Blame	Bietolini	Bachelot	125
7	7	Pemba Bay (Fr)	Blue Point (Ire)	Le Roch	Madamet	125
8	11	Soprano (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Boughey	Buick	125
9	4	Bluedrum (Ire)	Blue Point (Ire)	Harrington	Foley	125
10	8	Spiritual (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	J&T Gosden	Shoemark	125
11	12	Cetera (Ire)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Laffon-Parias	Guyon	125
12	6	Louise Procter (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)	Rouget	Mendizabal	125

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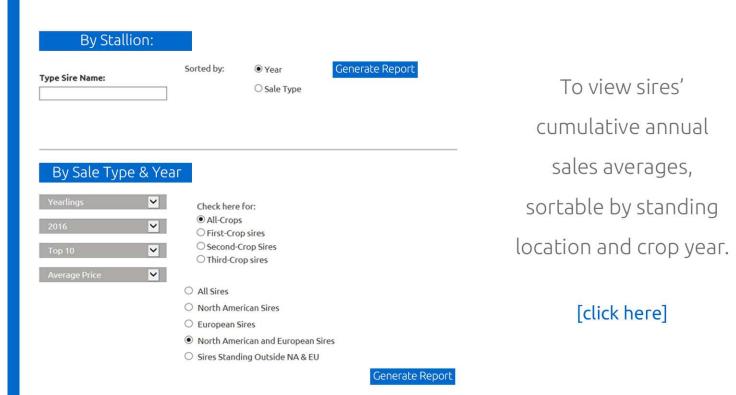
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BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF STONEHENGE S.-Listed, £40,000, 2yo, 8f 0y

SC HORSE SIRE **OWNER TRAINER JOCKEY** WT Frankel (GB) P Hickman & Nicholas Jones Charlie Fellowes Kieran Shoemark 129 Luther (GB) New Century (GB) Kameko Oisin Murphy 129 Qatar Racing Ltd Andrew Balding The Parthenon (Ire) Kingman (GB) D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor Aidan O'Brien Ryan Moore 129

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