

'HE IS THE BEST I HAVE TRAINED': O'BRIEN IN WONDERLAND AS CITY OF TROY DELIVERS



City Of Troy | *Racingfotos*

by Tom Frary

Brilliant horses like **City Of Troy** (*Justify*--*Together Forever* {Ire}, by *Galileo* {Ire}) are always on the line when it comes to reputation and aura and there was no disguising the fact that Wednesday's G1 Juddmonte International represented his moment of truth regardless of prior achievements. Despite coming to York as a clear-cut 2-year-old champion, an impressive Derby winner and the current holder of an Eclipse, there was a tension in the atmosphere on the storied Knavesmire expanse that was accompanied by threatening and brooding clouds and a strange autumnal air.

As if awaiting some kind of symbolic execution for Ballydoyle's mighty one in a place once renowned for its gallows, the faithful who attend this annual celebration of excellence/bonfire of vanities hung in suspense as to what racing's new *wunderkind* would deliver. In the event, it was all over after the first furlong with Ryan Moore allowing the 5-4 favourite to utilise his greatest weapon and let his stride do the talking.

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'I WISH THEY MADE A LOT OF SMALL HORSES LIKE HIM': MAGNIER LAUDS CITY OF TROY

By Emma Berry

YORK, UK -- Those rather dangerous words issued last October after the Dewhurst don't seem quite so bold now. "He's our **Frankel**," said City Of Troy's part-owner Michael Tabor back then. It may still seem like sacrilege, especially on a day when Juddmonte sponsors the big race, to compare any other Thoroughbred to **Frankel**, but at York there has truly been no anticipation so intense, no reception so rapturous, since Henry Cecil's wonder horse took the Knavesmire by storm in the Juddmonte International Stakes 12 years ago.

Twelve years gone in a blink and a heartbeat, and it has been 15 since **Sea The Stars** completed the fourth leg of his six-run tour de force during his magnificent three-year-old season. He was remembered, too, at York on Wednesday. [Cont. p6](#)

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The Lion In Winter (Sea The Stars), the only horse by the sire in Ballydoyle, won the G3 Tattersalls Acomb Stakes at York on Wednesday. He was purchased for €375,000 at Goffs Orby last year. See p8 | racingfotos.com

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Kentucky-bred **CITY OF TROY (USA)** racked up his fourth Group 1 win on Wednesday with an emphatic front-running victory in York's **Juddmonte International S. (G1)**, a "Win and You're In" for the **Breeders' Cup Classic (G1)**. His final time of **2:04.32** established a **new course record**, lowering the previous standard of 2:05.29 set by Sea the Stars (IRE).

CITY OF TROY (USA)

Owners: Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor,
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Breeders: Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien



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If there was any fear as to how making the running would unfold with the 2,000 Guineas disaster still fresh in the memory, it was quickly dispelled with City Of Troy able to relax into smooth sectionals at the head of affairs. Turning the screw from three out, he had all in trouble bar the high-class **Calandagan (Ire)** (**Gleneagles {Ire}**) but even that scintillating G2 King Edward VII Stakes winner failed to really test him as he continued with his irresistible momentum.

City Of Troy's final three splits of 11.02, 11.22 and 11.67 were sufficient to break the track record of **Sea The Stars (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) by almost a second, with Calandagan also dipping below the old benchmark as he surrendered by a length. The French raider's 10.75 from three to two out was outstanding and his penultimate one of 11.01 gave connections of the favourite cause for concern, but the damage had already

been done. Jeff Smith's G1 Eclipse Stakes third **Ghostwriter (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) became the latest to uphold the much-maligned Sandown form, 3 1/2 lengths further adrift in third.

"He has natural pace out of the stalls like Giant's Causeway had, but quicker but what happened in the Guineas frightened us and we didn't want to do that any more," Aidan O'Brien explained. "We wanted to drop him in and teach him to relax and do all the right things, but it was in there wanting to come out and he did it with Ryan unplanned today."

"It was incredible what he did there and the last half of the race, what he was doing was incredible, I thought he went through the line really strong,"

he added. "I'm obviously always saying too much about him, but they are saying he smashed the course record there and it didn't go according to plan. Ryan decided to make the running on him and what an incredible ride he gave him."



MV Magnier congratulates Ryan Moore as City Of Troy is led in by Pat Keating and David Hickey | Emma Berry

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“We always felt he was something very different. Things haven’t gone right for him some days, but he still overcomes them which makes it very special. He is a horse who loves to be up with the pace and a strong pace and he gets it really well. He stays, he is tough and we’re hoping the lads might go to the [Breeders’ Cup] Classic with him, that would be some dream.”

“He is the best I have trained and we always thought that. He is the most special horse we’ve ever had. We went off the road the first run this year and right into the swamp, but for him to come out of it and to get to where he is today is incredible.”

“I think we’ll see the best of him when he bounces out very strong and is left to roll, he gets into a massive tempo and keeps going,” O’Brien continued. “People will measure his stride, but the length of it in the last two furlongs is incredible really. That’s what he was like at two, he just keeps going and Ryan said he went through the line very strong.”

“I know Ryan would love to do the Arc and anything is possible--you need a very special horse for the Arc and that is what Ryan always thought he was, but it will be discussed. After

the first day we ran him this year, we had to re-do everything to get him back doing things right but today what we were trying to contain at two just came back out naturally.”

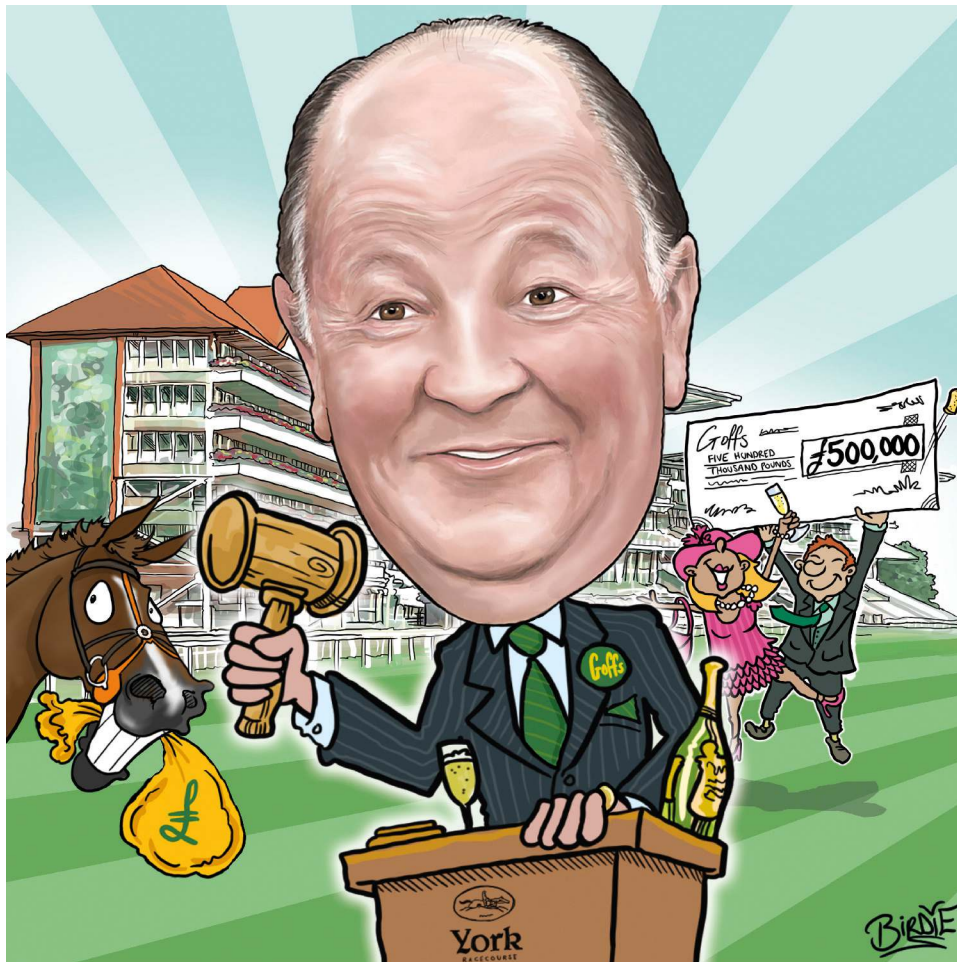
“We wanted to keep him sharp, as we had the Classic in our mind, so we didn’t want a slog anywhere. The last day didn’t go right, the ground was soft and the pace was slow so we were hoping for beautiful ground and a flat track. It’s incredible the condition of the

track, when we walked it, it didn’t feel good-to-firm, they’ve done an incredible job with the cover of grass.”

Francis-Henri Graffard said of Calandagan, “It was a fantastic run. They jumped very fast and then they took a pull and that didn’t suit us, as we found ourselves quite far from the lead.



City Of Troy’s sire, **Justify** | Coolmore



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“He tried my horse, the way he quickened in the straight, it was fantastic to watch. I shouted as I was thinking we were coming to get him, but he kept pushing and he is a champion.”

“I’m very proud of our horse. It is the first time he has run in a group 1 and we didn’t have any group 1 form before, so there were still a lot of question marks but the way he accelerated in the straight was fantastic and he is a very good horse. He can come back to Ascot for the Champion Stakes, we will speak to the entourage obviously, but we know he doesn’t mind soft ground. There are plenty of options. We’ll see how he comes back, because I think he gave a lot of his heart on the racecourse today. I think he’s a horse that wants a big, galloping track.”

Clive Cox said of Ghostwriter, “It was definitely the race of the year and I’m very proud of how my horse has acquitted himself impeccably, enjoying the drier surface. Full marks to Richard Kingscote for the ride he gave him from stall 13 and I’m highly delighted with the run and proud to be part of it. We’ve always believed in him, he was an incredible 2-year-old, these dreams always felt possible and thankfully he’s confirming those possibilities. I think a mile and a quarter is his trip and I don’t think we’ll be searching to take him further.”

Pedigree Notes

City Of Troy’s dam’s Together Forever captured the G1 Fillies’ Mile before producing five black-type performers from her first five foals. The first three by Way Front are headed by the G3 Tyros Stakes winner Military Style, while her 2020 foal Bertinelli by **Justify** was third in the G3 Queen Mother Memorial Cup in Hong Kong. She is a half to the Oaks heroine Forever Together (Ire) and a half to Speightstown’s G1 Prix Jean Prat, G2 Lennox Stakes and G2 Mill Reef Stakes-winning sire Lord Shanakill (Speightstown).

The third dam Chain Fern (Blushing Groom {Fr}) is a full-sister to the G1 Irish 1,000 Guineas heroine Al Bahathri, who produced the G1 Yellow Ribbon Invitational winner Spanish Fern (El Gran Senor) and is the ancestress of the G1 Santa Anita Handicap hero Heartseeker (Ire) (Giant’s Causeway). This is also the family of the 2,000 Guineas and G1 Champion Stakes hero Haafhd (GB) (Alhaarth {Ire}). Together Forever’s unraced 2-year-old filly by **Uncle Mo** is named Takemetothemoon (Ire), while she also has a yearling filly by Dubawi (Ire) and a filly foal by Into Mischief.

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JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL STAKES-G1, £1,250,000, York, 8-21, 3yo/up, 10f 56yT, 2:04.32, g/f.

1--**CITY OF TROY, 127, c, 3, by Justify**

1st Dam: Together Forever (Ire) (G1SW-Eng & SW-Ire, \$318,729), by Galileo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Green Room, by Theatrical (Ire)

3rd Dam: Chain Fern, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

TDN Rising Star. O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Orpendale, Chelston & Wynatt (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £708,875. Lifetime Record: 7-6-0-0, \$3,028,555. *Full to Bertinelli, GSP-HK, \$327,857; and 1/2 to Military Style (**War Front**), GSW-Ire; Absolute Ruler (**War Front**), GSP-Ire; and King Of Athens (**War Front**), SP-Ire.

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2--**Calandagan (Ire)**, 127, g, 3, **Gleneagles (Ire)**--Calayana (Fr), by Sinnadar (Ire). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.** O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC (IRE); T-Francis-Henri Graffard. £268,750.

3--**Ghostwriter (Ire)**, 127, c, 3, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Moorside (GB), by Champs Elysees (GB). (100,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE). O-J C Smith; B-Norelands Bloodstock & Irish National Stud (IRE); T-Clive Cox. £134,500.

Margins: 1, 3HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 1.25, 6.50, 33.00.

Also Ran: Bluestocking (GB), Durezza (Jpn), Royal Rhyme (Ire), Docklands (GB), Maljoom (Ire), Israr (GB), Ambiente Friendly (Ire), Zarakem (Fr), Alflaila (GB), Hans Andersen (GB).

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Magnier Lauds City Of Troy, cont. from p1

First through his son The Lion In Winter (Ire)--the only horse by the sire in all of Ballydoyle --who set a new track record when beating what looked to be a quality field in the G3 Tattersalls Acomb Stakes. He is all about the future, and certainly the bookies think so, as he is now around 6/1 favourite for next year's Derby. It will be a long winter for fans of The Lion.

The present, though, belongs to City Of Troy, a colt of sheer brilliance whose one fluffed line has been the source of more crabbing and doubting than most top horses ever have to endure. He doesn't know it though, and when Plan A faltered from the off and City Of Troy and Ryan Moore found themselves making the running for the 13-runner field of stars from afar, a back-up plan was swiftly deployed by Moore to boss the race from the front.

He is probably bored with hearing praise heaped on him, but we should not tire of witnessing the golden age of Moore, whose trademark calm under pressure enabled him and his unflappable partner to add the Juddmonte International Trophy to a cabinet which already contains those awarded for the Derby and the Eclipse.

In so doing, City Of Troy lowered the course record held by **Sea The Stars** when stopping the clock at 2m 4.32s. There was, however, no stopping the horse himself when, in customary fashion, he tanked on past the line once again looking like he was giving his rider a proper workout in his attempts to pull him up.

"It wasn't really the plan and when you see he was getting hassled the whole way round and had to do it the hard way, it makes it a very impressive performance indeed," said MV Magnier, representing another of City Of Troy's part-owners, his mother Sue.

"He beat **Sea The Stars**'s record by more than a second and that speaks volumes really. He's a very special horse and we are very lucky to have him."

And, with a wry riposte to the many jokes back in the spring about City Of Troy's height, he added, "I wish they made a lot of little horses like him."

Though the Coolmore team is well used to competing for huge purses at the world's richest race meetings, the efforts that the York Race Committee has put into this week's Sky Bet Ebor Festival have not gone unnoticed. None of the 28 races over the four days are worth less than £100,000 and the total prize-money on offer is £6.85 million. Wednesday's Juddmonte International Stakes, at £1.25 million, was the most valuable race ever run on the Knavesmire.



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Magnier said, "I just have to say that the job that York racecourse has done here is second to no other racecourse in England. What they have put into prize-money, they deserve to get the very best horses in the world coming here because of what they have put into this meeting, with the World Pool and everything."

The next question will be where we will see this son of **Justify** race next. City Of Troy has run just once, on debut, in Ireland where he is trained, and the British crowds have reaped the benefits of his six runs since then. But it is to the land of his birth that Aidan O'Brien often refers when pondering his future, and a tilt at the Breeders' Cup Classic at Del Mar has to be likely now, perhaps after he adds a few thousand to the gate for the Royal Bahrain Irish Champion Stakes in mid-September.

Wherever he goes, make the effort to go with him. They are a long time retired these good horses, but those days when you can say 'I was there' live on even longer in the memory.

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LOS ANGELES WINS WAR OF ATTRITION IN THE VOLTIGEUR *by Tom Frary*

With only five runners, Wednesday's G2 Great Voltigeur Stakes could have been short on entertainment but the opposite was the case as three runners created a stirring finish which saw **Los Angeles (Ire) (Camelot {GB})**--Frequential {GB}, by Dansili {GB} prevail. Handed a five-pound penalty due to his G1 Irish Derby exploits, Ballydoyle's Derby third was looking to do something out of the ordinary here and he had to work to get it over the line but luckily he is a grafter as well as a class act and proved well up to the task.

Essentially flawless so far in his career, with his Blue Riband effort just as commendable as his wins which include last year's G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud given how hard he had to race throughout the early stages at Epsom, the 5-4 favourite was kept back initially behind stablemates **Euphoric (GB) (Frankel {GB})** and **Illinois (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})**, who was also racing under a three-pound group 2 penalty. Moving to them approaching two out, he was met with the most resistance from chief market rival **King's Gambit (Ire) (Saxon Warrior {Jpn})** and for a brief period looked likely to succumb but dug in gamely to hit the line a neck to the good over Illinois, who rallied to get back into the runner's-up spot by the same margin as King's Gambit's stamina ran out.

This renewal lost the Derby fourth Deira Mile (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**), but it looked as strong as any in recent times and with Los Angeles becoming the first since Belmez (El Gran Senor) in 1990 to successfully carry a Group 1 penalty, the future looks bright for the winner who is a substantial understudy to City Of Troy.



Los Angeles ekes out narrow score over stablemate Illinois in Wednesday's G2 Great Voltigeur | Racingfotos

"He was very tough and we were delighted with him," Aidan O'Brien said. "He's just a lazy horse that gets a mile and a half well."

Immediate targets are fluid for the winner, with the trainer holding such a strong hand in the St Leger. "Obviously the lads will make that decision, but the second horse stays very well and a mile and six is probably where he is going to be seen at his best," he added. Ryan's horse can do either--he can go up in trip, but he has plenty of class so he could go back for an Irish Champion Stakes and finish in the first four and go on to an Arc, or he can go to the Leger with the others."

"The horse that won in Goodwood [Jan Brueghel] would probably get the Leger trip very well, Illinois would probably get the trip very well and Los Angeles could get it as well, but would have an option of going shorter trips as well. He's a massive, handsome, powerful horse and he has the options and he's very versatile ground-wise."

Harry Charlton said of King's Gambit, "He ran a lovely race. William [Buick] just thought he stays a mile and a half but that felt more like a mile and six on him the way they rode it. He came there to win his race but he was slightly on empty, but he's run great. He made a lot of ground from three out to close up, but then he just emptied. He's a 10- or 12-furlong horse, but 12 in less extreme circumstances. We've nothing in mind, I'll talk to Mohammed Jaber and see what he wants to do."



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Pedigree Notes

Los Angeles's unraced dam Frequential was a 48,000gns purchase by BBA Ireland from the Godolphin draft at the 2017 Tattersalls February Sale whose previous two runners are the stable's G3 Prix Penelope third Be Happy (Ire) and the G3 Ballyroan Stakes third Hector De Maris (Ire) both also by **Camelot**. A half-sister to the G3 Prix Messidor winner Impulsif (GB) (New Approach {Ire}) and the G3 Pride Stakes runner-up Veil Of Shadows (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**), she is a granddaughter of the well-connected G3 Prix de Flore winner Allez Les Trois (Riverman).

As well as producing the G1 Prix du Jockey Club-winning sire Anabaa Blue (GB) (Anabaa), Allez Les Trois is kin to the brilliant G1 2,000 Guineas-winning sire King's Best and the legendary Urban Sea (Miswaki), linking the winner with the great **Sea The Stars (Ire)** and Galileo (Ire) et al. If he lines up at Doncaster, Los Angeles may be joined by his stablemate and relative Grosvenor Square (Ire) by Galileo himself who dazzled so intensely in Saturday's G3 Irish St Leger Trial. Frequential's unraced 2-year-old is a gelding by **No Nay Never** named Front And Centre (Ire).

Wednesday, York, Britain

SKY BET GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES-G2, £267,500, York, 8-21, 3yo, c/g, 11f 188yT, 2:27.80, g/f.

1--**LOS ANGELES (IRE)**, 133, c, 3, by **Camelot (GB)**

1st Dam: **Frequential (GB)**, by **Dansili (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Violante**, by **Kingmambo**

3rd Dam: **Allez Les Trois**, by **Riverman**

O-Westerberg, Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Lynch Bages Ltd & Longfield Stud (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £151,699. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Fr & Ire, G1SP-Eng, 6-5-0-1, \$1,382,839. *Full to Be Happy (Ire), GSP-Fr & SP-Eng; and Hector De Maris (Ire), GSP-Ire. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#), or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

2--**Illinois (Ire)**, 131, c, 3, Galileo (Ire)--Danedrop (Ire), by Danehill. O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Coolmore (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien. £57,513.

3--**King's Gambit (Ire)**, 128, c, 3, **Saxon Warrior (Jpn)**--Pure Symmetry, by Storm Cat. (125,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Mohammed Jaber; B-Roundhill Stud (IRE); T-Harry Charlton. £28,783.

Margins: NK, NK, 1. Odds: 1.25, 3.50, 2.25.

Also Ran: Space Legend (Ire), Euphoric (GB). Scratched: Deira Mile (Ire).

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TDN RISING STAR THE LION IN WINTER BREAKS YORK TRACK RECORD IN THE ACOMB

by Sean Cronin

Aidan O'Brien trainee **The Lion In Winter (Ire)** (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**--What A Home {Ire}), by Lope De Vega {Ire}), a €375,000 Goffs Orby yearling, attained 'TDN Rising Star' status with an impressive debut display tackling seven furlongs at the Curragh last month and stepped forward to deliver a track-record performance over the same trip in Wednesday's G3 Tattersalls Acomb Stakes at York.

The 2-1 second favourite was swiftly into stride and raced on the front end from flagfall in this one-turn test. Nudged along when threatened passing the quarter-mile marker, he refused to yield and stayed on powerfully under whipless cajoling in the latter stages to lower the course record by a whopping 0.74 seconds. At the line, he was 1 3/4 lengths ahead of **Wimbledon Hawkeye (GB)** (Kameko), with a half-length back to 'TDN Rising Star' **Ruling Court (Justify)** in third.

"He won very well the last day and people gave him a very high rating, everyone thought he was a very good horse," said O'Brien. "I'm delighted and couldn't be happier really. Wayne [Lordan] rode him [at the Curragh] and loved him. He'd been working very well and he's always been a lovely straightforward, uncomplicated horse. We came here as we wanted to give him experience ahead of the Goffs Million as we felt it looked a lovely race for him. We thought it could be sharp enough for him, but he hit the gates well and Ryan [Moore] had him in a lovely position. He didn't even touch him with the stick and he broke the track record, so obviously he's a very smart colt. He's the only **Sea The Stars** we have. He's very good looking, which is why the lads bought him, and you'd have to like everything he's doing at the moment. I think he'd be okay at the top level this year, looking at what he did there. It looked a good Acomb, looking at him he'd have no problem at a mile and further next year. We knew the third horse [Ruling Court] was very good, but we know, having come through the breeze-ups, sometimes they take a few runs to show how good they are. He might not have been as good as he was at Sandown, so we knew he might be vulnerable today."

James Owen was delighted with the performance of runner-up Wimbledon Hawkeye and said, "Beforehand I would have been delighted to come in the first three and I'm over the moon. He's run a great race and I think we'll definitely step him up to a mile, He's a mile-and-a-quarter horse for me all over. We'll see how we go, the Gredleys know more than I do and hopefully we'll get it right."

Charlie Appleby's assistant Alex Merriam was nonplussed by the effort of Ruling Court and added, "On the face of it, it's disappointing. He looked like he travelled into it quite nicely and then just slightly flattened out. Ryan was on the front end and it might just turn out we were beaten by a better horse. The first three pulled clear, but it is a little bit disappointing. We'll see what comes out in the wash, he hasn't totally disgraced himself and finished out the back, but we were excited about him."



Sea The Stars | *The Aga Khan Studs*

Pedigree Notes

The Lion In Winter, becomes the 76th pattern-race winner for his sire, is the second of three foals and lone scorer produced by G3 Pinnacle Stakes third What A Home (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), herself a half-sister to dual Group 3 winner and G1 Irish Oaks, G1 Yorkshire Oaks, G1 Pretty Polly Stakes and G1 Nassau Stakes placegetter Venus De Milo (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}). Venus De Milo, in turn, is the dam of G2 Moonee Valley Gold Cup victor Cleveland (Ire) (**Camelot {GB}**). The Lion In Winter's second dam Inchmahome (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) is a half-sister to multiple Group 1-placed sire Inchinor (GB) (Ahoonora {GB}) out of G2 Child Stakes victrix Inchmurrin (Ire) (Lomond). Inchmurrin is also the ancestress of Miss Keller (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), Harbour Law (GB) (Lawman {Fr}) and Poet's Word (Ire) (Poet's Voice {GB}). The January-foaled bay is full to a weanling filly.

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TATTERSALLS ACOMB STAKES-G3, £165,000, York, 8-21, 2yo, 7ft, 1:21.58, g/f.

- 1--**THE LION IN WINTER (IRE)**, 129, c, 2, by **Sea The Stars (Ire)**
 1st Dam: **What A Home (Ire)** (GSP-Eng & SP-Fr), by **Lope De Vega (Ire)**
 2nd Dam: **Inchmahome (GB)**, by **Galileo (Ire)**
 3rd Dam: **Inchmurrin (Ire)**, by **Lomond**

TDN Rising Star. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN; 1ST GROUP WIN. (€375,000 Ylg '23 GOFOR). O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Susan Magnier; B-Sunderland Holding Inc (IRE); T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £93,572. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$132,823. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

- 2--**Wimbledon Hawkeye (GB)**, 129, c, 2, Kameko--Eva Maria (GB), by **Sea The Stars (Ire)**. O-The Gredley Family; B-Stetchworth & Middle Park Studs Ltd (GB); T-James Owen. £35,475.

- 3--**Ruling Court**, 129, c, 2, **Justify**--Inchargeofme (GB), by High Chaparral (Ire). **TDN Rising Star. 1ST BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE.** (\$150,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; €2,300,000 2yo '24 ARQBRU). O-Godolphin; B-Nursery Place, Manfuso & Wilhite (KY); T-Charlie Appleby. £17,754.

Margins: 1 3/4, HF, 5. Odds: 2.00, 22.00, 1.00.

Also Ran: The Waco Kid (Ire), Mr Chaplin (GB), Diablo Rojo (Ire), Jouncy (GB), Rajeko (Ire), Yarough (Ire), Our Terms (GB), Urban Sky (Ire).

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RACE PREVIEWS

‘NOW IS THE MOMENT’: REDVERS RELISHING QUEEN OF THE PRIDE’S YORKSHIRE OAKS BID *by Tom Frary*

Eight fillies and mares of contrasting recent fortunes line up for Thursday’s G1 Pertemps Network Yorkshire Oaks, with the appropriately named **Queen Of The Pride (GB)** (Roaring Lion) currently edging favouritism for Clarendon in an open affair. One of the least exposed and therefore inevitably of more intrigue than most of her rivals, the impressive G2 Lancashire Oaks winner would be an emotive winner for Qatar Racing being a product of their beloved but ill-fated Roaring Lion and Classic heroine Simple Verse (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}).

David Redvers conveyed the importance of Queen Of The Pride on Wednesday.

“It’s everything we hope for in an organisation like this; to breed, raise and race horses at the highest level,” he said. “This filly is the culmination of quite a few years’ work and it’s hugely exciting for all the team. Now is the moment, so we will see. There’s no such thing as an easy Group 1 and this is a million miles from an easy Group 1, but it’s great to have her in there with a proper fighting chance and the betting public have taken a view that she has as good a chance as anything else in the race.”

Can Emily Shine Again?

Life is never as simple as fairytales every time, however, and the biggest danger could come from within as the Gosdens try again with **Emily Upjohn (GB)** (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**) as the 5-year-old bids to turn around a largely unsatisfying campaign. Her form figures in 2024 read a scarcely-believable 5426, but that is not even half the story. Too keen when run down late only by the star filly Bluestocking (GB) (**Camelot {GB}**) when the ground had gone for her in The Curragh’s G1 Pretty Polly Stakes in June, she was visibly uncomfortable on the unique contours of Goodwood but looks tailor-made for York’s flat track granted the summer ground she needs.



Emily Upjohn | Megan Ridgwell

Is The Century On?

If Aidan O’Brien can eke a small degree of improvement from the so-far progressive **Content (Ire)**, this is going to be a landmark event as Galileo’s 100th individual group 1 winner and given that she looked unlucky when second to **You Got To Me (GB)** (Nathaniel {Ire}) in the G1 Irish Oaks it is more than possible. Clearly in need of this mile-and-a-half trip now, she could pull off a unique family feat if successful, with her dam Mecca’s Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) having won two editions of the meeting’s G1 Nunthorpe Stakes over five furlongs.

Wednesday could not have gone any better for Ballydoyle and Ryan Moore and the rider is keen on his filly here. “It was a good run from her in the Pretty Polly when third to Bluestocking and Emily Upjohn and she stepped up on that when an unlucky second to You Got To Me in the Irish Oaks,” he explained. “She has progressed with every run and I think York will suit my filly though and I’m looking forward to her.”

You Got It...

Like Ambiente Friendly (Ire) (**Gleneagles {Ire}**), Valmont and Newsells Park Stud Bloodstock’s You Got To Me first showed her sizeable potential in Lingfield’s Classic trials in May. Needing time and experience to mature and progress in the following weeks, she looked the finished article in the Irish Oaks and is the kind to carry on her improvement. “She did a nice bit on the

grass on Saturday just gone, that went as well or better than expected, so we think she might have come forward,” trainer Ralph Beckett said.

“I think York is set up really well for her as a track, the timescale is good as well,” he added. “She is a filly who needs to be kept on the go, she’s not one that you can be hanging on to for targets later down the line, you have to keep rolling with her. I was concerned immediately after the Oaks that I wasn’t

going to get her to put back on what she’d lost that quickly. As it turned out, I was wrong about that, you’ve just got to get your timings right.”

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A Rich Tradition...

When it comes to the elite fillies and mares races, Meon Valley Stud can say that they have enjoyed a fair amount of success down the years but they have yet to land this prestigious prize. Given the nature of the operation's bloodstock, it is always possible that they will come up with a gem every few years and they supply a dangerously stealthy improver this year in the Hughie Morrison-trained **Mistral Star (GB)** (**Frankel (GB)**). While her win in Newmarket's Listed Aphrodite Fillies' Stakes last month needs to be bettered here, the manner of it suggests she can get involved and she has a genetic headstart as a daughter of the top-level performer Shirocco Star (GB) (Shirocco {Ger}).

Leovanni Sits Lowther Test...

Not seen since winning the G2 Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot, Wathnan Racing's **Leovanni (Ire)** (Kodi Bear {Ire}) bids to provide the Karl Burke stable with some recompense in the G2 Lowther Stakes following the deflating experience of Sunday's G1 Prix Morny. Also responsible for the Queen Mary fourth and Listed Marwell Stakes winner **Miss Lamai (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}) and outsider **Unspoken Love (Ire)** (Soldier's Call {GB}), he is fully loaded in the race he won with Swingalong (Ire) (Showcasing {GB}) two years ago.

Ballydoyle's G3 Albany Stakes and G3 Duchess Of Cambridge Stakes third **Heavens Gate (Ire)** (**Churchill (Ire)**) should prove a tough nut to crack, having collected Naas's Irish EBF Ballyhane Stakes with the minimum of fuss. Rockcliffe Stud's Celandine (GB) (**Kingman (GB)**) is back over six furlongs on fast ground which was the combination in place for her defeat of **Tales Of The Heart (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}) in Newmarket's Listed Maureen Brittain Memorial Empress Fillies' Stakes.

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FRIDAY'S NUNTHORPE ATTRACTS FIELD OF 14, ASFOORA AND BIG EVS TO LOCK HORNS AGAIN

Friday's G1 Coolmore **Wootton Bassett** Nunthorpe Stakes has attracted a field of 14, with just one of the 15 overnight contenders, **Vadream (GB)** (Brazen Beau {Aus}), dropping out of York's third and final Group 1 contest of the week at Wednesday morning's declaration stage. The straight five-furlong dash will act as an unofficial championship decider between Australian raider **Asfoora (Aus)** (Flying Artie {Aus}) and **Big Evs (Ire)** (Blue Point {Ire}), who are one apiece in sprint showdowns this year, with the former annexing Royal Ascot's G1 King Charles III Stakes and the latter prevailing by a short-head in Goodwood's G2 King George Stakes. They have drawn stalls eight and 14, respectively.

Eva Nieslanikova's forward-running **Ponntos (Ire)** (Power {GB}), the only other overseas challenger, has drawn stall one. Supporting cast member **Believing (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}), who notched a victory in the Curragh's G2 Sapphire Stakes in between her fourth at Ascot and third at Goodwood, is alongside Asfoora in stall 13. Ed Bethell trainee **Regional (GB)** (Territories {Ire}), who split Asfoora and Big Evs when second at Royal Ascot, will depart from stall two, while last year's hero **Live In The Dream (Ire)** (Prince Of Lir {Ire}) will bid to become this century's fifth dual winner of the contest from stall five.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Thursday, Aug. 22, 2024:

UNITED KINGDOM

Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud
113 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
14:25-YORK, 6f, **Against The Wind (GB)**
£60,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud
87 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
14:25-YORK, 6f, **Ghost Run (GB)**
£85,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023
16:45-YORK, 7f, **Spell Master (GB)**
145,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 160,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud
96 foals of racing age/9 winners/2 black-type winners
16:45-YORK, 7f, **Dukes of Haather (GB)**
47,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023

Sands of Mali (Fr) (Panis), Ballyhane Stud
98 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
14:25-YORK, 6f, **Misty Sky (Ire)**
16,000gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; £35,000
Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023
13:50-YORK, 250K GII The Sky Bet Lowther Stakes (Class 1)
(Group 2)6f, **Time For Sandals (Ire)**
€35,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2023



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Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud
121 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners
14:25-YORK, 6f, **Arizona Blaze (GB)**
36,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; £82,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023
14:25-YORK, 6f, **High On Hope (GB)**
40,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; £30,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

FRANCE

Elarqam (GB) (**Frankel (GB)**), Izmit Stallion Station
32 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
1-DEAUVILLE, 1200m, **Blazing Star (Fr)**

Golden Horde (Ire) (Lethal Force {Ire}), Haras de Montfort et Preaux
42 foals of racing age/2 winner/0 black-type winners
1-DEAUVILLE, 1200m, **Moorea (Fr)**

Romanised (Ire) (**Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**), Haras de Bouquetot
84 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
3-DEAUVILLE, 1500m, **Umineko (Fr)**
€50,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Stunning Spirit (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Haras de Beaumont
17 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
3-DEAUVILLE, 1500m, **Princess Spirit (Fr)**
€2,500 Arqana Deauville Nov. Yearling Sale 2023

IRELAND

Arizona (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), Coolmore Stud
66 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
2-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Glyndwr (Ire)**
€19,000 Goffs February Sale 2023; €16,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023
2-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Wonderfulwonderful (Ire)**
€4,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale Part II 2023

Circus Maximus (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud
49 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Proxima Centauri (Ire)**

Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud
113 foals of racing age/8 winners/1 black-type winner
1-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Aiyana Rose (Ire)**
€75,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud
96 foals of racing age/9 winners/2 black-type winners
1-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Eastern Peace (Ire)**
€22,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €45,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2023; £30,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2024

Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Yeomanstown Stud
104 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
1-LEOPARDSTOWN, 7f, **Its All Peachy (Ire)**
€100,000 Tattersalls Ireland Breeze Up 2024

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

TDN RISING STAR SEA JUST IN TIME SITS GALTRES TEST

16.10 York, Listed, £100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 11f 188yT
SEA JUST IN TIME (IRE) (**Sea The Stars (Ire)**) takes **TDN Rising Star** status into this Listed British EBF & Sir Henry Cecil Galtres Stakes, having impressed on debut at Newmarket and previously failed to fire on her first black-type attempt in the Listed Agnes Keyser Stakes. William Haggas has the Sunderland Holding's Arc and British Champions Fillies & Mares Stakes entry in a better place now as she heads back up in class taking on an intriguing type in the Gredleys' **Noisy Jazz (GB)** (**Ulysses (Ire)**), a James Owen-trained Newmarket debut winner who is a half-sister to their star stayer Big Orange (GB) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}).

16.50 Leopardstown, Mdn, €18,000, 2yo, f, 7f 30yT
NATIVE VERSE (IRE) (**Siyouni (Fr)**) was a 550,000gns investment by Al Shira'aa Racing at Tattersalls October Book 1, with her half-sister Al Husn (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) having annexed the G1 Nassau Stakes weeks beforehand. Willie McCreery has been handed charge of the March-foaled bay, whose peers include the Niarchos Family's prized **Proxima Centauri (Ire)** (Circus Maximus {Ire}), the Jessica Harrington-trained daughter of Alpha Centauri (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) who was an eye-catching fifth on debut at Leopardstown last month.

HOW THEY FARED

17.50 Kempton, Novice, £9,900, 2yo, 7fT
Silver Peak (Fr) (**Dubawi (Ire)**), Godolphin's €1.25million Arqana Deauville August graduate whose dam is a half to Persian King (Ire), failed to land a blow in fourth.

**IN MAINLAND CHINA:**

Rong Yu Jia Mian (Ire), c, 3, **El Kabeir--Notice (Ire)**, by New Approach (Ire). Yulong, 8-17, 1600m, 1:37.89 RMB 100,000 O-Yulong Horse Industry. B-Airlie Stud & Mrs. S. M. Rogers (Ire). *€10,000 yrl '22 GOFNOV.

Zhan Shen Xiao Zi (Ire), c, 4, **Galileo (Ire)--Holy Alliance (Ire)**, by **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**. Huhtala, 8-18, 2000m, 2:03.922 RMB200,000. O-MA He. B-Whisperview Trading Ltd (IRE). *Formerly Registrar (Ire). **1/2 to Mountain Bear (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), SW-Ire, GISP-US, MGSP-Eng & Moon Daisy (Ire) (**Australia {GB}**), GSP-Ire. **VIDEO**

Tignanello (Ire), h, 6, **Galileo (Ire)--Discreet Marq (GISW)**, by Discreet Cat. Huhtala, 8-18, 2800m, 3:02.00. RMB 200,000. O-Zheng Yan Ming. B-Moyglare Stud Farm (Ire). **VIDEO**

FRANCE

Wednesday's Results:

1st-Dieppe, €30,000, Mdn, 8-21, unraced 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:30.20, sf.

SQUARE CARNOT (FR) (c, 2, Taj Mahal {Ire}--Hally Jem {Fr}, by Dawn Approach {Ire}) accepted a tow in second after breaking on the lead in this newcomers' heat. Shaken up with 300 metres remaining, the 46-5 chance hooked up with Swollen Shoot (Fr) (**Siyouni {Fr}**) entering the final furlong and was ridden out to deny that rival by 1 1/4 lengths. Square Carnot is the lone registered foal produced by a winning daughter of Listed Prix Urban Sea victrix Vally Jem (Fr) (Dylan Thomas {Ire}), whose four pattern-race placings include a runner-up finish in the G2 Prix Corrida. Sales history: €22,000 Ylg '23 BBAGS. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000.

O-Michael Motschmann; B-Ecurie X (FR); T-Peter Schiergen.

2nd-Dieppe, €30,000, Mdn, 8-21, unraced 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:29.70, sf.

EURASIA (FR) (f, 2, Golden Horde {Ire}--Everloving {Fr}, by Myboycharlie {Ire}) broke swiftly and asserted for an early lead in this unveiling. Holding sway throughout, the 74-5 chance came under pressure when pressed on both sides in early straight and was ridden out inside the final furlong to defeat

Lady Majesty Cen (Fr) (**Kingman {GB}**) by 1 1/4 lengths, becoming the second winner for her freshman sire (by Lethal Force {Ire}). Eurasia is the lone reported foal out of a half-sister to Listed Prix du Cercle victor Cox Bazar (Fr) (Nombre Premier {GB}) and Listed Prix Moonlight Cloud runner-up Botch (Fr) (Fuisse {Fr}). Sales history: €16,000 Wlg '22 ARQDEC. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. O-Nurlan Bizakov; B-Ecurie Maxime Moczulski (FR); T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

Freshman sire Golden Horde | *Sumbe*

1st-La Teste-Bassin Arcachon, €23,000, Mdn, 8-21, unraced 2yo, 8fT, 1:43.10, gd.

HOLY WOODED (FR) (f, 2, Wooded {Ire}--Holy Black {Fr}, by Holy Bull) broke smartly and led through the early stages, but slipped to second before halfway in this unveiling. Regaining control off the home turn, the 137-10 chance was hustled along approaching the two pole and kept on well under continued rousting to hold Nivsky (Fr) (Hello Youmzain {Fr}) by a neck, becoming the fifth winner for her freshman sire (by **Wootton Bassett {GB}**). Holy Wooded is the latest of four foals and second scorer produced by a daughter of Listed Prix Urban Sea third Black Truffle (Mt. Livermore). Descendants of Black Truffle, herself the leading performer for G3 Princess Royal Stakes runner-up Mariella (Roberto), include GIII Debutante Stakes victrix Blueeyesintherein (Magna Graduate), GIII River City Handicap runner-up Set The Sail (Mizzen Mast) and GIII Bob Hope Stakes second Uncle Boogie (Ride On **Curlin**). Sales history: €3,500 RNA Wlg '22 ARQDEC; €9,000 Ylg '23 ARQOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €11,500.

O-Haras du Grand Courgeon & Didier Guillemain; B-Mme Jocelyne Richard & Paul Richard (FR); T-Didier Guillemain.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Orlhena (Fr), f, 3, **Attendu (Fr)**--Manucha (Fr), by Naaqos (GB), Dieppe, 8-21, 15fT, 3:20.00. B-EURL Freddy Head (FR).

Xiomara (Ire), f, 3, **Lope De Vega (Ire)**--Martlet (GB) (SW-Eng), by Dansili (GB), Dieppe, 8-21, 11fT, 2:29.00. B-Yeguada Centurion SLU (IRE). *€100,000 Ylg '22 ARQOCT.

Modern Era (Ire), f, 3, **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**--Kendar Rouge (Fr), by Kendargent (Fr), Dieppe, 8-21, 7fT, 1:23.20. B-J McGarry (IRE). *€125,000 Ylg '23 GOFOR.

Gabon (Ire), c, 3, **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**--Wild Idle, by Seeking The Gold. La Teste-Bassin-Arcachon, 8-21, 10fT, 2:06.00. B-Rockfield Farm (IRE). *48,000gns ylg '22 TAOCT; €90,000 2yo '23 GORMAY; €33,000 HRA '23 ARJUL.

BRITAIN

Wednesday's Results:

1st-Kempton, £9,900, Novice, 8-21, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:27.77, st/sl.

DETAIN (IRE) (c, 2, Wootton Bassett {GB})--Nisriyna {Ire}, by Intikhab), a half-brother to the stable's dual group 3 winner and G1 St Leger runner-up Arrest (Ire) (**Frankel {GB}**), recovered from a tardy start to race in mid-division early. Staying on strongly to lead passing the furlong pole, the 9-4 second favourite asserted to beat Afentiko (Ire) (Hello Youmzain {Fr}) by two lengths. Alongside Arrest, the unraced dam is also responsible for the G3 Centenary Vase winner and G1 Hong Kong Gold Cup-placed Dinozzo (Ire) (Lilbourne Lad {Ire}) and the listed-placed Spring Loaded (Ire) (Zebedee {GB}). Also the second dam of this year's G3 Park Express Stakes runner-up Alpheratz (Ire) (Phoenix Of Spain {Ire}) and half to the G3 Prix de Flore and G3 La Coupe winner and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and G1 Nassau Stakes-placed Narniyn (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), she has a yearling colt by Dark Angel (Ire) and a filly foal by **Kingman (GB)**. Sales history: €340,000 Wlg '22 GOFNO1. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,846.

O-Juddmonte; B-Swordlestown Little (IRE); T-John & Thady Gosden.

1st-Carlisle, £6,900, Mdn, 8-21, 2yo, f, 5f 182yT, 1:13.54, gd.
MAGIC BASMA (IRE) (f, 2, Expert Eye {GB})--Morning Basma {Fr}, by Born To Sea {Ire}), chased the leaders in sixth through halfway in this debut. Making eye-catching headway into contention in the straight, the 25-1 outsider challenged Rogue Sensation (GB) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) approaching the final furlong and was ridden out in the closing stages to defeat that rival by 3/4-of-a-length.

Magic Basma is the first of three foals produced by a winning granddaughter of G3 Prix Penelope victrix La Sylphide (Swi) (Barathea {Ire}). The February-foaled bay is kin to a yearling filly by Ardad (Ire) and a weanling colt by **Sioux Nation**. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,772.

O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited (IRE); T-Kevin A. Ryan.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

1st-York, £120,000, Hcp, 8-21, 3yo/up, 5f 89yT, 1:02.15, g/f.

JM JUNGLE (IRE) (g, 4, Bungle Inthejungle {GB})--The Shrew {GB} {MSP-Eng}, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: 28-4-3-5, \$205,960. O-MPS Racing Ltd & The Ayrshire Tradesmen; B-Lodge Park Stud (IRE); T-John & Sean Quinn. *£46,000 Ylg '21 GOFFUK.

1st-York, £120,000, Hcp, 8-21, 3yo/up, 5f 89yT, 1:02.15, g/f.

JM JUNGLE (IRE) (g, 4, Bungle Inthejungle {GB})--The Shrew {GB} {MSP-Eng}, by Dansili {GB}) Lifetime Record: 28-4-3-5, \$205,960. O-MPS Racing Ltd & The Ayrshire Tradesmen; B-Lodge Park Stud (IRE); T-John & Sean Quinn. *£46,000 Ylg '21 GOFFUK.

5th-York, £100,000, 8-21, 3yo/up, 16f 56yT, 3:31.24, g/f.

EXTENSIO (IRE) (g, 7, Xtension {Ire})--Endino {Ire}, by Manduro {Ger}) Lifetime Record: 27-6-6-4, \$147,723. O-Mrs U O'Donnell; B-Patrick Kelly (IRE); T-P F O'Donnell.

6th-York, £100,000, 8-21, 3yo/up, f, 5fT, :56.12, g/f.

STAR OF LADY M (GB) (f, 4, Havana Grey {GB})--Abraj Dubai, by Street Cry {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 41-10-5-6, \$203,234. O-Mr M Madden; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud (GB); T-David O'Meara. *15,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT.

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7th-York, £100,000, 8-21, 2yo, 6fT, 1:09.99, g/f.

YES I'M MALI (GB) (c, 2, Sands Of Mali {Fr})--Yes Always {Ire}, by No Nay Never) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$74,513. O/B-The Cool Silk Partnership (GB); T-Richard Fahey.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Loving Look (GB), f, 3, **Expert Eye (GB)**--Light Of Love (GB), by Dylan Thomas (Ire). Kempton, 8-21, 11f 219y (AWT), 2:32.60. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, \$15,484. B-Brightwalton Bloodstock Ltd (GB).

Gundogan (GB), g, 3, **Territories (Ire)**--Dharwa (GB), by Equiano (Fr). Carlisle, 8-21, 5f 182yT, 1:13.56. Lifetime Record: 8-1-4-0, \$15,127. B-Richard & Nell Kent (GB). *7,000gns Ylg '22 TATFEB.

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PERTEMPS NETWORK YORKSHIRE OAKS-G1, £500,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 11f 188y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Emily Upjohn (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Lloyd Webber, Tactful Finance, S Roden	John & Thady Gosden	Kieran Shoemark	135
2	Mistral Star (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Helena Springfield Ltd	Hughie Morrison	William Buick	135
3	Queen of The Pride (GB)	Roaring Lion	Qatar Racing Ltd	John & Thady Gosden	Oisin Murphy	135
4	Sea Theme (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Sheikh Juma Dalmook Al Maktoum	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	135
5	Content (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Westerberg/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	126
6	Lava Stream (Ire)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Elwick Stud	David O'Meara	Daniel Tudhope	126
7	Port Fairy (Ire)	Australia (GB)	M Tabor/D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	126
8	You Got To Me (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Valmont & Newsells Park Stud Bldstk.24	Ralph Beckett	Hector Crouch	126

Breeders: 1-Lordship Stud & Sunderland Holding Inc, 2-Meon Valley Stud, 3-The Simple Verse Partnership, 4-C-Squared Investments, 5-Coolmore, 6-Elwick Stud, 7-Whisperview Trading Ltd, 8-Dullingham Park Stud & Sarabex

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SKY BET LOWTHER S-G2, £250,000, 2yo, f, 6f 0y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Leovanni (Ire)	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Karl Burke	James Doyle	131
2	Betty Clover (GB)	Time Test (GB)	Eve Johnson Houghton	Eve Johnson Houghton	Georgia Dobie	128
3	Celandine (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Rockcliffe Stud	Ed Walker	Tom Marquand	128
4	Heavens Gate (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	M Tabor, D Smith & Mrs J Magnier	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	128
5	Miss Lamai (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	C R Hirst	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	128
6	Perfect Part (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Keith Brown	Brian Ellison	Connor Beasley	128
7	Tales of The Heart (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Andrew Rosen & Marc Chan	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	128
8	Time For Sandals (Ire)	Sands Of Mali (Fr)	D Bevan & Mrs D Bevan	Harry Eustace	Richard Kingscote	128
9	Unspoken Love (Ire)	Soldier's Call (GB)	Clipper	Karl Burke	Daniel Tudhope	128

Breeders: 1-KCS Bloodstock Ltd, 2-Eve Johnson Houghton, 3-Rockcliffe Stud, 4-Whisperview Trading Ltd, 5-Denis McDonnell, 6-John Cullinan, 7-Tally-Ho Stud, 8-Ballyhane, 9-Ballyhampshire Stud Ltd

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1	Bradsell (GB)	Tasleet (GB)	Victorious Racing	Archie Watson	Hollie Doyle	139
2	Clarendon House (GB)	Mehmas (Ire)	Middleham Park Racing VIII	Robert Cowell	P J McDonald	139
3	Live In The Dream (Ire)	Prince Of Lir (Ire)	Steve & Jolene de'Lemos	Adam West	Sean Kirrane	139
4	Ponntos (Ire)	Power (GB)	Dr Eva Nieslanikova	Miroslav Nieslanik	Mickael Barzalona	139
5	Regional (GB)	Territories (Ire)	Future Champions Racing Regional	Edward Bethell	Callum Rodriguez	139
6	Washington Heights (GB)	Washington DC (Ire)	Hambleton Racing Ltd XXVII	Kevin Ryan	Tom Eaves	139
7	Big Evs (Ire)	Blue Point (Ire)	RP Racing Ltd	Michael Appleby	Tom Marquand	137
8	Starlust (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Mrs Fitri Hay	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	137
9	Asfoora (Aus)	Flying Artie (Aus)	Noor Elaine Farm Pty Ltd	Henry Dwyer	Oisin Murphy	136
10	Azure Blue (Ire)	El Kabair	P Appleton & Mrs Anne Elliott	Michael Dods	Paul Mulrennan	136
11	Believing (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Highclere Thoroughbred Racing (Jane Addams)	George Boughey	Ryan Moore	136
12	Makarova (GB)	Acclamation (GB)	Brightwalton Bloodstock Ltd	Ed Walker	Hector Crouch	136
13	So Majestic (Ire)	Siyouni (Fr)	Kate McGivern	Kate McGivern	Joe Fanning	136
14	Frost At Dawn	Frosted	Abdulla Al Mansoori	William Knight	Jim Crowley	134

Breeders: 1-Mrs D O'Brien, 2-D R Tucker, 3-Miss Lorna Doyle, 4-Liam Butler & Churchtown House Stud, 5-Razza del Sole Societa Agricola SRL, 6-Bearstone Stud Ltd, 7-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd, 8-Branton Court Stud LLP, 9-Noor Elaine Farm, 10-Ms Debbie Kitchin & Ms Mary Davison, 11-M Mullen & Cloneymore Farm, 12-Brightwalton Bloodstock Ltd, 13-Sunderland Holding Inc, 14-Rabbah Bloodstock LLC

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WEATHERBYS HAMILTON LONSDALE CUP S.-G2, £250,000, 3yo/up, 16f 56y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Al Nayyir (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Elbashir Elhrari	Tom Clover	Luke Morris	131
2	Alsakib (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Al Wasmiyah Stud	Andrew Balding	P J McDonald	131
3	Gregory (GB)	Golden Horn (GB)	Wathnan Racing	John & Thady Gosden	James Doyle	131
4	Point Lonsdale (Ire)	Australia (GB)	D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	131
5	Quickthorn (GB)	Nathaniel (Ire)	Lady Blyth	Hughie Morrison	Tom Marquand	131
6	Tashkhan (Ire)	Born To Sea (Ire)	P Boyle	Brian Ellison	Ben Robinson	131
7	Vauban (Fr)	Galiway (GB)	Mrs S Ricci	Willie Mullins	William Buick	131
8	Night Sparkle (Ire)	Postponed (Ire)	Mrs Barbara M Keller	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	128
9	Align The Stars (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Tony Farmer	Charlie Johnston	Joe Fanning	119

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-Al Wasmiyah Farm, 3-Normandie Stud Ltd, 4-Epona Bloodstock Ltd, 5-Lemington Grange Stud, 6-H H T The Aga Khan's Studs SC, 7-Philippe Decouz & SCEA du Bas Bugey, 8-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum, 9-Sunderland Holding Inc

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AL BASTI EQUIWORLD DUBAI GIMCRACK S.-G2, £250,000, 2yo, c/g, 6f 0y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Andesite (GB)	Pinatubo (Ire)	Clipper	Karl Burke	Daniel Tudhope	128
2	Big Mojo (Ire)	Mohaather (GB)	RP Racing Ltd	Michael Appleby	Silvestre De Sousa	128
3	Billboard Star (GB)	Advertise (GB)	The Woodway 20	Eve Johnson Houghton	Charles Bishop	128
4	Caburn (Ire)	Twilight Son (GB)	Antram, Pemberton, Lancaster & Harrod	Jack Jones	Dylan Hogan	128
5	Camille Pissarro (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Tabor/Smith/Mrs J Magnier/Brant	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	128
6	Cool Hoof Luke (GB)	Advertise (GB)	John Wallinger & Partner	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	128
7	King's Call (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Bronte Collection 1	Kevin Ryan	Tom Eaves	128
8	Shadow Of Light (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Godolphin	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	128
9	Symbol Of Strength (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Keatley Owners Group, Finneran & Moore	Adrian Keatley	Connor Beasley	128
10	The Strikin Viking (Ire)	Inns Of Court (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Hamad Al Jehani	James Doyle	128

Breeders: 1-Branton Court Stud LLP, 2-Ringfort Stud Ltd & The Ladies, 3-Theakston Stud, 4-Newstead Breeding, 5-Cn Farm Ltd, 6-Tony Nerses, 7-Ballyhane, 8-Godolphin, 9-Tally-Ho Stud, 10-Tally-Ho Stud

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SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Aeronautic (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd	Joseph O'Brien	D McMonagle	133
2	Barnso (GB)	Belardo (Ire)	MBC Partnership	Natalia Lupini	W J Lee	133
3	Birdman (Ire)	Free Eagle (Ire)	The Birdman Partnership	Jessica Harrington	C T Keane	133
4	Brosna Town (Ire)	Awtaad (Ire)	Timothy P Murphy & L J Young	Dermot Weld	C D Hayes	133
5	Chemistry (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	D Smith, Mrs J Magnier & M Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	D P McDonogh	133
6	Emphasis (Ire)	Magna Grecia (Ire)	D Smith/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	M Crehan	133
7	Kinesiology (GB)	Study Of Man (Ire)	Alpha Racing	Jessica Harrington	S Foley	133
8	Lady Doris (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Mrs Treasa O'Loughlin & Mrs M V Magnier	Donnacha O'Brien	G M Ryan	128

Breeders: 1-Newtown Anner Stud, 2-Stockvale Bloodstock Ltd, 3-Windflower Overseas Holdings Inc, 4-Leslie Young, 5-Coolmore, 6-Clarecastle Stud Ltd, 7-Kirsten Rausing, 8-Tom & Geraldine Molan

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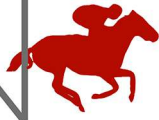
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RECEIVING BARN: 'LET'S CLEAN UP THE SPORT, AND THE STALLS'



Thoroughbred headed for post-race test | Sarah Andrew

by Dan Ross

On Nov. 9 last year, veteran trainer Steve Klesaris shipped his mare She's Awesome (Flatter) from Delaware Park to Aqueduct to compete in the second race. When she arrived, the receiving barns were full, and so, She's Awesome was sent instead to the track's auxiliary stabling, used as an overflow.

The auxiliary barn is adjacent to staff bathrooms, with a lot of foot traffic through it, said Klesaris. It's also used to stable ponies, he added.

She's Awesome won that day. But a post-race test came up positive for the anti-seizure drug gabapentin, for which Klesaris was **recently issued** a 15-day suspension and \$1,000 fine.

Klesaris maintains his innocence. He said he strongly suspects the positive was the result of gabapentin-using backstretch workers urinating in the stall. "Anybody can walk in, urinate on the floor, urinate on the walls, nobody knows. There's no padlocks on the doors. They're wide open," he said.

"This is the way we've always done things," Klesaris said, of receiving barn hygiene and safety protocols in general. But that status quo needs to change, he said. And fast. "Whatever we do, we need to have a much better plan to have cleaner stalls," he added.

Klesaris isn't alone.

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BREEDING DIGEST: YOSHIDA'S PARTING SHOT PROVES A BARGAIN

by Chris McGrath

Once again American investors have shown an increasing receptivity to European bloodlines, this time at the big yearling sale in Deauville. For now, however, we're still only talking about a minority even among those with the resources required to import elite yearlings.

But with a reciprocal curiosity also growing in Europe--thanks to **Justify**, in particular, but also to those breeze-up pinhookers now preparing their next raid on the September Sale--it does feel as though the overdue renewal of transatlantic traffic is beginning to gain commercial traction.

We still have a long way to go, however, before the U.S. domestic market sheds its timidity about leaving the safe, narrow lanes leading to sires that made their name on dirt.

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Members of the racing community observe a moment of silence in memory of John Hendrickson in the Saratoga winner's circle on Wednesday. | Adam Coglianese

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John Velazquez, the winningest jockey in the history of Saratoga Race Course, will serve a three-day suspension Aug. 28-30 stemming from the disqualification of his mount from a win in the 10th race there Aug. 16.

12 | BROWN ON HIS TWO TRAVERS ENTRANTS

Chad Brown has Sierra Leone (*Gun Runner*) and Unmatched Wisdom (*Cairo Prince*) ready for Saturday's GI Travers Stakes.

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Receiving barns, cont. from p1

With no strict, uniform set of enforceable receiving barn standards to which all track operators must adhere, they're left, in many ways, to police themselves--a scenario that appears to leave much to be desired.

Trainers across the country frequently complain of horses shipping into stalls containing dirty bedding, or feed from the previous occupant, or muck and urine on the walls. Poor track security measures can leave some stakeholders wondering who had access to the stall before they got there. Some tracks use their ship-in stalls to stable horses that work in the mornings, and for horses going through the sales, again leading to questions over just what drug residues are potentially left behind as a result.

Then there's the condition of the stalls themselves. Even if the boxes were cleaned to the highest standard each time a horse leaves, dirt floors make it difficult to disinfect them fully, while porous materials mean that pressure-washing and disinfecting might not ever rid the stall walls of trace drug residues.

This issue has become something of a clarion call among trainers since the advent of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA), where the ultimate insurer rule places the burden of responsibility squarely on the shoulders of the trainers. In turn,

they say it's high time track operators carried some of this responsibility as well.

It should also be noted that while the HISA Authority has opened a **confidential tip-line** for stakeholders to submit formal complaints about a track's receiving barn, the federal agency says it has to date received no such reports.

At the end of the day, however, a well-run and properly enforced system of receiving barn hygiene and security measures would help all parties. Regulators could mount a much stronger prosecutorial case, while trainers striving to do the right thing would have far greater certainty that the stalls they're shipping into won't inadvertently trip a post-race test. Indeed, HISA's in the process off drafting such rules.

"This shouldn't even be a topic of conversation," said trainer Ron Moquett, who sits on HISA's horsemen's advisory committee. "As long as we're cleaning up the sport, let's clean up the stalls."

Survey of the Tracks

The National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) recently surveyed its affiliates about the physical condition of receiving barns, and the standards of cleanliness that occur between horses leaving and arriving. The answers illustrate something of a crapshoot. **Cont.**

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Receiving barns, cont.

Jon Moss, executive director of the Iowa HBPA, described Prairie Meadows's receiving barns as "a B to C level of upkeep," with kicked wooden walls and some rusting brackets that need to be replaced.

Moss said that track management routinely strips the stalls between each horse arriving. The floors are also matted, which he takes as a plus. However, while the stalls are not power-washed or disinfected, the daily logistics of the receiving barn area would make such practices difficult, said Moss (more on this in a bit).

One responder from the Mid-Atlantic region said that the stalls are cleaned by the racetrack operator, "but they do not do a great job or disinfect them and may have leftovers from a previous horse." This responder asked the *TDN* not to name the specific track for fear of retaliation to the trainers.

Another responder--who again asked the *TDN* for anonymity--described a separate Mid-Atlantic track as "deplorable," with fresh straw "thrown over top of manure and urine."

Leroy Gessmann, executive director of the Arizona HBPA, described the Turf Paradise receiving barn as being in a "terrible condition," with stalls that remain uncleaned "unless the people leaving muck them out" and no use of disinfectant.

According to Turf Paradise general manager Vince Francia, the receiving barn is primarily used to stable Quarter Horses, over which HISA has no jurisdiction, while Thoroughbred ship-ins (about 1%, he said) stable at the receiving barn, with the vast majority stabled in the main barn area. He also argued that a full-time attendant cleaned and disinfected the stalls thoroughly after use.

According to Moquett, while some tracks are better than others at maintaining their receiving barns, none give him high confidence that one of his ship-in horses is entering a fully clean, uncontaminated area. **Cont.**



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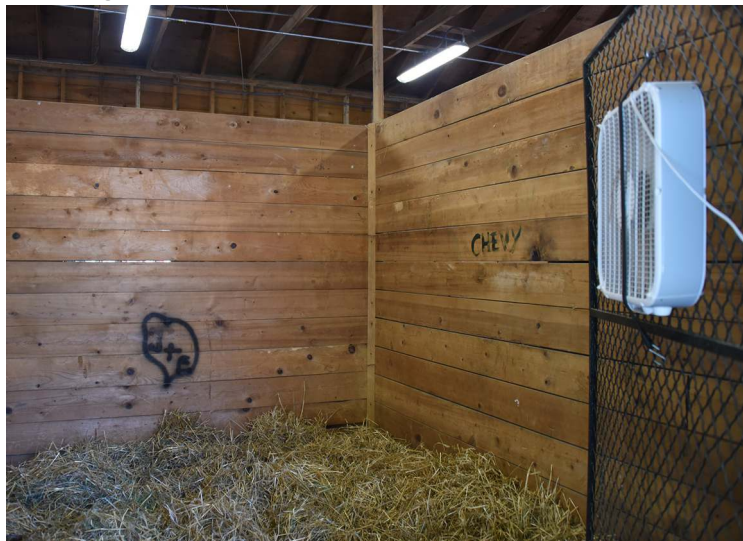
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"I think Churchill Downs try hard and I think Oaklawn tries hard," said Moquett, commending them for painting over the porous walls to help with cleaning.

But at many tracks, especially those with dirt floor stalls, even the strictest hygiene protocols would be an exercise in futility, said Moquett, who recently faced a post-race mepivacaine positive.

The case was ultimately resolved with no sanctions after Moquett successfully argued the positive was likely the result of environmental contamination--this, after the stall had been **cleaned** prior to occupancy.

"Racetracks need to understand the importance and the liability that it places on people who may be coming into contact with something, and they have no knowledge of exposure or risk," said Moquett.

Indeed, as several studies have shown, receiving barns can be a hot spot for a variety of substances that routinely show up in post-race tests.

Studies

In 2015, Charles Town racecourse switched laboratories and adopted the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium (RMTC)'s drug testing schedule. After that, there were a series of low-level positives at the track for naproxen, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID).

In **response**, West Virginia Racing Commission personnel swabbed 21 ship-in stalls at Charles Town. A total of 28 different substances were detected, including human recreational drugs, along with human and equine therapeutic substances. The most common was cocaine and two of its metabolites, found in 10 separate stalls.

Of the therapeutic substances, two of the stalls swabbed positive for **metformin**, the diabetes drug garnering a lot of attention in HISA's drug enforcement efforts. Naproxen (four stalls), acepromazine and the anticholinergic glycopyrrolate (three stalls) were the three most commonly detected equine medications.

Only four stalls reportedly came back with no positive findings.

Though the authors explained that they did not know precisely how the areas were swabbed or sampled--the data was obtained via a public records request--other published papers appear to support their findings.

This **2008 paper** documented tests conducted on dirt samples taken from the receiving barn stall floors at a Louisiana racetrack. Phenylbutazone, flunixin, naproxen, caffeine and furosemide were all readily identified in the dirt, though not at levels **reportedly high enough** to trigger a positive test.

This 2020 **study determined** the amount of time horses fed hay soaked in dexamethasone-containing urine tested above a certain level for the drug after consumption.

And this **French study** published in 2011 found that horses given flunixin were less likely to experience "rebound" flunixin levels if removed and placed into a clean box 24 hours after administration, as opposed to those that remained in the same dirty box. In other words, horses who eat bedding soaked in their own flunixin-containing urine appear to recycle the drug back into their systems.

In October of 2020, the Steve Asmussen-trained Saffa's Day (Carpe Diem) tested positive for dexamethasone after winning at Keeneland on his debut. **Cont.**

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As part of the trainer's defense, the stall that Saffa's Day was stabled in--in the trainer's regular barn, not the ship-in stalls--was broken into 12 quadrants for swabbing, and dexamethasone was detected in each of these quadrants, said Asmussen's attorney, Clark Brewster.

One of the swabs had enough dexamethasone to trigger a positive test, said Brewster. The case was resolved with a DQ and a \$500 fine. Because of the proximity of the Keeneland September sales the month prior, Brewster speculated whether the two were linked.

According to Dr. Stuart Brown, Keeneland's vice president of equine safety, the track's receiving barn is used to house the sales horses. Brown outlined, however, a series of receiving barn hygiene and security measures Keeneland instituted in 2023 that appear to be among the most stringent in the country.



Dr. Stuart Brown | Keeneland

This includes an inspection of the entire receiving barn area at the end of the raceday, the cleaning and disinfecting of vacated stalls, which are subsequently locked with a tamper proof zip-tie, along with new, easier-to-clean matted flooring.

"The barns are inspected every morning at 5:15. Every stall in that barn is gone over individually for any potential debris or material left in there," said Brown. All the while, "the barn remains under 24-hour surveillance on our video cameras," he added.

Data on Ship-ins

The TDN recently asked HISA for the number of methamphetamine and metformin positives from ship-ins.

Of the 13 methamphetamine positives identified up to that point, seven were ship-ins. (Note: The five methamphetamine positives trainer Dick Clark accrued between June 19 and July 22 last year are classed as one event). **Cont.**

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Receiving barns, cont.

Of the 11 metformin positives identified, six were ship-ins.

The connections of five of these 13 ship-in positives, including two of the metformin positives, said in media reports that the findings were probably the result of contamination from staff hygiene lapses.

If those five cases were removed from the ship-in list, that leaves seven tracks where the horses had shipped in, and where connections claim they had no explanation for how the positive findings occurred.

Another key detail: What percentage of overall runners do ship-in horses comprise at each of these tracks?

Though this number is always a moving target, HISA estimates--using data supplied by the tracks--that ship-ins make up about 45% of the overall runners at Belterra Park (where two positives occurred), 38% at Delaware Park, 40% at Horseshoe Indianapolis, 30% at Laurel Park, 25% at Monmouth Park, 20% at Penn National, and 15% at Tampa Bay.

When asked for his thoughts on these numbers, Robert Holland, an expert in respiratory and infectious diseases, said he believed "any contaminated stall could be an issue when a horse that had been treated was in it before your horse," due to the sensitivity of modern testing.

Holland applauded HISA's recent attempts to educate the industry on good stable hygiene, including a set of new posters. "I really do like them because it helps with discussions between the trainers and their staff," he said.

Rules and Regulations

HISA's receiving barn regulations are a loosely worded set of guidelines that allow for much wiggle room.

When asked about the layers of scrutiny that HISA places on receiving barns, HISA assistant general counsel Sam Reinhardt wrote in an email that all racetracks undergo accreditation visits that include "cleanliness and protocol reviews." Track's safety officers oversee them daily. HIWU investigators also monitor common areas like the receiving barns, "for cleanliness and other appropriate security measures," he wrote.

"In fact, they visit receiving barns unannounced to verify the conditions and cleanliness," wrote Reinhardt.

Which leads to the next question: How do other leading global jurisdiction manage the issue?

The British Horseracing Authority (BHA) has **four pages** of "racecourse stabling" hygiene, cleaning and use requirements to which all tracks must adhere, or face sanctions like possible fines.

After a horse vacates its box, for example, tracks are required to remove everything except the clean bedding. This includes soiled bedding, droppings and food. Fresh high-quality bedding,



BHA Integrity Team | Jim Miller

neither dusty nor moldy, is added, and the whole area is sprayed with a chemical disinfectant.

Additionally, racecourse stables must be thoroughly stripped, steam-cleaned or pressure-hosed before being chemically disinfected at least every three months. The BHA sends "Course Inspectors" to each track about three to four times a year to inspect the track including the stable area.

On race days, BHA "Equine Welfare and Integrity Officers" and veterinary officers inspect the stable area a few hours before the first race, though they won't be able to check inside the boxes, which are sealed with tape. When the trainer or their representatives arrive at the racecourse the day of the race, the onus is on them to ensure the boxes are indeed fit for habitation.

"They break the seal, open the door, and we tell them, 'do not put the horse in until you are satisfied with that stable,'" said Cathy O'Meara, BHA head of raceday officials.

If the trainer or representative finds something amiss, they must first alert the BHA's Equine Welfare and Integrity Officer, who will then initiate a stewards' inquiry. That inquiry would most likely include the clerk of the course, the track's stable manager, the trainer or their representative, and another BHA official.

"The trainer always would have the ability to withdraw their horse under no penalty if they felt it was compromised in any way," said O'Meara. "And they have the ability to request testing, though under certain circumstances."

No sanctions are issued on race day--rather, the inquiry is a fact-finding mission to gather together as much contemporaneous evidence as possible, like pictures and testimony. This information is put into a report, which is then forwarded to the BHA's disciplinary office, which ultimately determines whether disciplinary actions are warranted. **Cont.**

Receiving barns, cont.

If the horse enters the box before a problem is discovered, however, the horse's connections must tell the stewards if they still wish to race, knowing they will be responsible for any sample findings.

"It's key that this isn't just us as a regulator--it's equally the trainer's responsibility to confirm that they are happy with this stall as well. You can't come to us after you have a positive test and say, 'there was feed in my stable.'"

The **BHA lists** 18 reported stable hygiene incidents since the beginning of 2019. At least six of them resulted in fines of £3,500 each for problems like feed found in the stable, and of the presence of blood-stained cotton wool. One track was fined £1,500 after a cutlery knife was found in the box.

What Should Be Done?

There's a whole ocean between the way racing is conducted in Britain--where all runners ship into racetrack stables mostly for just one day of racing--and the U.S., where one track can conduct a meet often for many months at a time.

It's these differences that Moss sees as a major impediment to adopting a similar policy where each stall is pressure washed and disinfected between occupancy.

"I don't know when they can get it done because if you've got horses in one stall that's next to another empty stall, you don't want to be a bringing power washer in there," said Moss, calling it a safety issue. "Trying to do it on a continuous basis, I don't know if it's frankly practical."

For one, Prairie Meadows is often full to capacity, and so, there are no overflow barns that ship-in horses could be temporarily relocated, said Moss. Another concern, he added, is the manpower hours such a task would require. "That's a lot of excessive work for them to do."



At the post | *Prairie Meadows*

Those interviewed for this story, however, largely suggested improvements in three main areas. A common refrain was that, where tracks have the staff and the ability to thoroughly clean and disinfect stalls between horses, they should.

The second deals with the stalls themselves. All pushed for the elimination of dirt floors, to be replaced with concrete floors or mats. According to Moquett, the walls should be smooth-surfaced and paintable, to make them non-porous.

The third component concerns security. Among the ideas floated were tightly restricted access to receiving barns, well-secured stalls after they've been cleaned, and 24-hour CCTV camera coverage.

"Put cameras in every stall so you'll know what's going on," said Klesaris.

"Periodically, there ought to be a test done on those stalls before anybody moves in," said Moquett. "And if any of those stalls were to test poorly, then they should be sanctioned just like the horseman would."

According to Reinhardt, HISA will soon be circulating for industry comment a proposed draft rule "containing specific guidelines for receiving barns," compliance failures for which could result in sanctions for the track.

Though still in their draft form, the rules currently require tracks to "thoroughly disinfect each stall after occupancy, secure the stall door with a tamper resistant security tag, ensure security personnel are present to prevent unauthorized access to Covered Horses and the receiving barn, and install high-resolution security cameras to monitor the activities in and around the receiving barn," wrote Reinhardt.

"At the end of the day," said Moquett about these ongoing negotiations, "I want both sides to come together in an effort to try to get it right."

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Breeding Digest, cont. from p1

True, **Oscar Performance** has stepped boldly into the breach created by the loss of his sire, almost simultaneously with that of English Channel. His farm has shown that, yes, with sufficiently imaginative management, it really can be viable to stand a (presumed) grass horse in Kentucky.

But the next question is whether his success might stimulate a greater willingness to gamble on stallions eligible to follow in his slipstream--horses like Yoshida (Jpn) and **War of Will**.

Each met the commercial prejudices of the American market halfway, parlaying cosmopolitan pedigrees to win Grade I races on both turf and dirt (with **War of Will** additionally proving his efficacy on synthetics). **Cont.**



Yoshida | Sarah Andrew



Grayosh (inside) | Sarah Andrew

Breeding Digest, cont.

Now of course there are many different reasons why a young stallion may succeed or fail, so we should perhaps not take too bleak a view of the brevity of Yoshida's career in the Bluegrass. WinStar secured him a solid first book, yielding 90 named foals, but they were given a cool reception at the sales. And while nobody could have expected them to discover a precocity he had never shown himself, 10 winning from 42 juvenile starters last year, the commercial tanker was quickly marooned. His second crop of yearlings had bombed in the ring, achieving a median barely half their conception fee, and he was down to 34 mares last spring. Having originally launched at \$20,000, a third consecutive cut to \$7,500 had already been announced for 2024 when it was decided to allow the horse a fresh start at Darley Japan, back in his native land.

Unsurprisingly, the horses he left behind have meanwhile begun to stir a little: not just because that's what almost invariably happens, but because that was his profile all along anyway. So far this year he has had 32 winners from 76 starters--and, rare distinction in an intake that has underperformed woefully by this measure, these now include a first graded stakes scorer.

Grayosh was standard issue, to start with. She cost Sean Flanagan no more than \$25,000 as a Fasig October yearling, and was one of the many that never made the track at two. But she has been progressing sharply since breaking her maiden in April, on her third start, reaching a new peak with a plucky denial of the favorite in the GII Lake Placid Stakes last weekend.

She's the second foal of a Paddy O'Prado mare picked up by breeder Susan Bedwell for just \$15,000 at the Fasig-Tipton February Sale after doing little to build on an early black-type podium (on turf), but the family does introduce a rather startling celebrity behind a second dam who was Listed-placed in France.

For the latter was out of an unraced half-sister (by The Minstrel) to no less a pair than El Gran Senor and Try My Best, which duly means that this cheap mare's fourth dam is none other than Best In Show.

The other conspicuous flourish in Grayosh's page is the replication of El Prado (Ire) who, besides supplying the damsire, also accounts for Yoshida's second dam. But that was presumably a marginal consideration in the choice of a stallion who could scarcely have been better adapted to the less insular perspectives we're supposed to be exploring.

For in winning the GI Woodward Stakes on his dirt debut, as an elite scorer already on turf that year (also beaten barely a length at Royal Ascot), Yoshida had become just what the WinStar team must have sought from their bold venture to the big JRHA Sale. As we all know, buying a stallion's pedigree at the yearling sales opens a long, fragile highwire, but even a sum converting to over \$750,000 proved well spent. Yoshida paid it all back on the track, banking \$2.5 million, and the ball was then in the court of Bluegrass breeders as to whether they wanted to buy into a more international future.

As a son of Heart's Cry (Jpn), of course, Yoshida offered them an opportunity to repatriate the Sunday Silence bloodline, but there were home comforts to his dam Hilda's Passion. True, her sire Canadian Frontier (a son of Gone West) faded dismally after a bright start at stud, but Hilda's Passion had contributed lavishly to that in winning the GI Ballerina Stakes by nine lengths. Once a \$4,200 RNA as a weanling, on retirement she was exported by Katsumi Yoshida for \$1.225 million.

It did not take American commercial breeders long, however, once again to decide that they had little to learn from the fabulous rewards achieved by the truly global horizons of their Japanese counterparts. **Cont.**



War of Will | Sarah Andrew

WHERE THERE'S A WILL...

Let's hope that **War of Will** gets less parochial treatment, as another horse that straddled dirt and turf after combining a familiar indigenous brand (**War Front**) with a top-class offering from an extraneous gene pool (Europe, this time, rather than Japan).

All the early signs, a cycle behind Yoshida's failure to take root, are in auspicious contrast. Fully subscribed for a debut book that yielded 99 named foals, **War of Will** (sustained by excellent fertility) has a very similar second crop coming through. He made an excellent debut at the yearling sales, achieving an average \$117,202 that comfortably took care of a \$25,000 fee; and now his first crop is finding its feet on the track, too, fillies at Saratoga and Woodbine last weekend putting **War of Will** on seven from 29 starters to date.

Both these maiden winners represent the same connections as **War of Will** himself, and attest to the support Gary Barber gave the horse at the sales. At Keeneland last September he gave \$160,000 for Saratoga debut scorer **She's Got Will**, bred by Nicholas M. Lotz; while the previous November in the same ring Jeff Amorello signed a \$165,000 docket for the weanling Ready to Battle, off the mark at Woodbine. Like **War of Will**, both are trained by Mark Casse, who has declared debut winner **Will Reign**--another Barber investment, for \$85,000 last September--for the Catch A Glimpse Stakes at the same track on Friday.

Barber will know that the sire's own template, from this stage, is all encouragement. **War of Will** was thrown in the deep end as a juvenile but kept rolling all the way through, proceeding to Fair Grounds to win the GIII Lecomte and GII Risen Star Stakes. He was then showed up for all three Classics, winning the middle one; and regrouped in maturity to win a Grade I over a mile of turf.



She's Got Will | Sarah Andrew

All that was underpinned by genes that will surely make his performance from here of particular interest to anyone who wouldn't mind keeping a filly. Not just because of that maternal line, tracing to Best in Show (oh yes, her again!) as fifth dam via a lake of regal Niarchos blood. First and foremost, this horse is surely our last chance to compress so closely the two principal disseminators of Northern Dancer: by a son of Danzig out of a daughter of Sadler's Wells.

That's not a pedigree, that's a time capsule!

SQUEEZE A REWARDING SEQUEL

When Fasig-Tipton cut the pack for the Saratoga catalogue, it fell open at C--meaning that the second yearling into the ring was one by **Liam's Map** out of Callmethesqueeze (Awesome Again).

Presented by Eaton Sales, he was sold to St Elias Stables and Starlight Racing for \$425,000--a great yield when you consider that the mare, then 14, was carrying this fellow when signed for by Athens Woods for just \$50,000 at the 2022 Keeneland November Sale.

Already, in the few days since, all parties to the Saratoga transaction can look forward with heightened expectations after **Power Squeeze** (**Union Rags**), bred from the mare by her previous owners Forging Oaks Farm, added the GI Alabama Stakes to the wins (GII Gulfstream Park Oaks/GIII Delaware Oaks) that had already decorated her page.

Athens Woods, of course, is run parallel to Eaton Sales by Reiley McDonald--who had long assisted the late Jim Peyton in developing a successful commercial program at Forging Oaks. Peyton's widow Gail enjoyed carrying forward the legacy for a time but began winding down the farm a couple of years ago, a process that included the sale of Callmethesqueeze. **Cont.**

Breeding Digest, cont.

Bringing her into his home broodmare band is due reward for McDonald after helping the Peytons to such coups as buying a Pulpit mare named Shimmer for \$140,000 and subsequently selling her son by **Street Sense** for \$500,000 and a couple by **Union Rags** for \$310,000 and \$285,000. Forging Oaks also bred multiple graded stakes winner **Consumer Spending** (More Than Ready), a \$200,000 yearling, from the Scat Daddy mare Siempre Mia (herself sold at the 2022 Keeneland January Sale for \$390,000).



Power Squeeze | Sarah Andrew

Callmethesqueeze's sire has long contributed to the distaff influence achieved by sons of Deputy Minister. Awesome Again's daughters having produced the likes of Accelerate and Keen Ice (both by sons of Smart Strike in Lookin At Lucky and **Curlin**). Get past Awesome Again, however, and the family has some pretty leftfield seeding, with the next three dams by Roanake, Honey Jay and Solo Landing. Nonetheless Callmethesqueeze has also produced the stakes winner Call on Mischief (Into Mischief), bred by Forging Oaks when the future champion sire was still only at \$45,000 (made \$250,000 as a yearling).

Speaking of broodmare sires, I am delighted to see **Sky Mesa** adding to his all-round resume as damsire of a couple of the faster juveniles of the summer: bargain Debutante Stakes winner **Vodka With a Twist** (Thousand Words) and now Bolton Landing Stakes winner **Kimchi Cat** (Twirling Cat). Bred the way he is, this perennially underrated stallion was always likely to percolate some quality through his daughters.

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**VELAZQUEZ TO SERVE THREE-DAY
SUSPENSION FOR SPA DQ**



John Velazquez | Sarah Andrew

by T.D. Thornton

John Velazquez, the winningest jockey in the history of Saratoga Race Course, will serve a three-day suspension Aug. 28-30 stemming from the disqualification of his mount from a win in the 10th race there Aug. 16.

Velazquez waived his right to an appeal, according to an Aug. 20 stewards' ruling posted on the New York State Gaming Commission (NYSGC) website.

The race in which Velazquez got disqualified was an \$80,000 optional claiming/allowance turf route. He was aboard the 4.9-1 fourth choice in the betting, **Vino Rouge** (Vino Rosso), a filly who crossed the finish wire first but was placed fourth by the stewards for interference to the filly who ran fourth while also causing problems all the way back to the eighth-place finisher.

The Equibase chart stated that Vino Rouge "took over command with three-sixteenths to go, inched away under a drive to the eighth pole, dug in under threat and shied out being shown a left-handed crop and got tugged on the right rein and came out forcing **Wrigleyville** (Into Mischief) to check a sixteenth from home which in turn forced both **Pretty Ana** (**Quality Road**) and **Toy Collector** (**Frankel {GB}**) to check and alter [while] forcing a chain of steadied and checks back through to Hopesndreams (Ride On **Curlin**)."

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BROWN HAS SIERRA LEONE AND UNMATCHED WISDOM READY FOR THE TRAVERS STAKES *by Mike Kane*



Sierra Leone | Sarah Andrew

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y.--In an intriguing GI Travers Stakes loaded with talent and questions, will anyone be surprised if **'TDN Rising Star' Sierra Leone (Gun Runner)** wins?

Nope.

Although it is unlikely that the colt trained by Chad Brown will be the betting favorite Saturday in the 155th running of the signature race at Saratoga Race Course--he is a narrow fourth at 7-2 on the morning line--Sierra Leone's record demands respect. He has never been worse than third in seven career starts. One of those victories came in the GI Blue Grass. His three seconds in a 3-3-1 record are by two noses--most notably in the GI Kentucky Derby--and one length. His third was by 1 1/2 lengths in the GI Belmont Stakes at Saratoga on June 8 when the deep closer stumbled at the start and delivered a big rally over a speed-favoring track.

Sierra Leone and jockey Flavien Prat will start from Post 2 in the field of eight entered in the \$1.25-million Travers. Leaving from the next stall in the 1 1/4-mile race will be his Brown stablemate **Unmatched Wisdom (Cairo Prince)**. Unmatched Wisdom, to be ridden by Irad Ortiz, Jr. for the first time, is unbeaten through three starts and is making his graded stakes debut. The field includes Belmont and GI Haskell winner, the 5-2 favorite **Dornoch (Good Magic)**, the brilliant **'TDN Rising Star' Thorpedo Anna (Fast Anna)**, and **'TDN Rising Star'**, 2-year-old champion and beaten Derby favorite **Fierceness (City of Light)**, providing a serious handicapping challenge.

Brown grew up in nearby Mechanicville and began attending the Travers as a young boy with his family. He has saddled 15 horses in the Travers from his debut in 2011. His top finishes are

a pair of thirds: Miles D (**Curlin**) in 2021 and Zandon (**Upstart**) in 2022.

Much has been expected of Sierra Leone after he was the \$2.3-million topper at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale. Since his winning debut on Nov. 4 at Aqueduct he has proven to be a top-level race horse with \$2,218,00 in earnings. In his last three starts, though, the Derby, Belmont and a second in the GI Jim Dandy, he was a major player, but not a winner. He has been a mix of fabulous and frustrating for Brown.

"The horse is doing great. He's got no excuse," Brown said. "He's a very consistent horse. He's run really consistently good races. Recently, he's likely run into horses that are really on their best day and had beaten him.

"He's consistent. He's always there. He's the horse that keeps showing up in these races. I'm hoping that over time, his consistency will prevail and he'll get back to winning. His first couple starts of the year were very impressive, that he was able to win, and his losses have been by small margins."

Brown noted that Sierra Leone, co-owned by Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, Westerberg, Rocket Ship Racing and Peter Brant, has been a durable type. This will be his sixth start as a 3-year-old in a season spread over seven months.

"I've never been disappointed with this horse," Brown said. "I've been disappointed with a couple of the results, him being on the wrong side of the outcomes at the finish, but I've never, ever been disappointed in this horse."

In his run through the stretch of the Derby, he bore in and bumped with Forever Young (Jpn) (Real Steel (Jpn)), and that incident that might have compromised both colts' chances to win. Brown changed bits and jockeys for the Belmont, replacing Tyler Gaffalione with Prat. The bias of the course, the rough start and being forced wide by Protective (**Medaglia d'Oro**) entering the stretch did not help him. **Cont.**



Sierra Leone | Sarah Andrew

Brown has two in the Travers, cont.

Brown said it would be nice if Sierra Leone could get a better position earlier, rather than coming from so far off the pace.

"I don't believe in any of his races it's been for any fault of any jockeys that have ridden him," Brown said. "This horse just doesn't have a lot of early speed. But in a perfect world, yeah, I wish he was a couple lengths closer early. Certainly, we're going to attempt to put him there. I don't think anyone's taking him back. It's just the horse sort of settling, kind of where he ends up early. If we could encourage him to be a little closer, I do think it would be beneficial."

With speedy Dornoch, Fierceness, Thorpedo Anna, **Batten Down (Tapit)** and Unmatched Wisdom in the field, Sierra Leone could get an ideal setup in the Travers.



Unmatched Wisdom (outside) | Sarah Andrew

"His running style is pretty defined," Brown said. "You can see that he's a come-from-behind horse so hopefully a good pace develops in front of him and he can navigate a clean trip without getting stopped and come with his late run and hopefully at a mile and a quarter, it's good enough to get there in time."

Klaravich Stables's Unmatched Wisdom fell sick last year when he was being prepared for the races and did not debut until May 10. He won a muddy mile maiden at Aqueduct by 6 1/4 lengths, prevailed in a 1 1/8-mile allowance on June 22 by 5 3/4 lengths and led from gate to wire in the **Curlin** Stakes on July 19 to win by one length.

"He's done nothing wrong," Brown said. "He's training really well. He's got to step up. He's facing three of the most talented 3-year-olds in the crop, including Thorpedo Anna, Fierceness and Dornoch. These three horses are really at the top of the division, so he's going to have to step up and prove he belongs in that group."

Brown said he considered a couple of factors before deciding to enter Unmatched Wisdom in the historic Travers.

"He's got a win over the track," Brown said. "He seems to be doing well here. I think he's improved since the **Curlin**. I didn't momentarily think about waiting for the (GI) Pennsylvania Derby, but you only get one crack at the Travers. He's got good positional speed, and his last work here with Irad on him (Aug. 16, 5f in 1:00.41, 3/6), really convinced me to give it a shot."

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SARATOGA NOTEBOOK: BAFFERT EXPECTS GOOD SHOWING FROM PRINCE OF MONACO IN JERKENS by *Tim Wilkin*

SARATOGA SPRINGS – When one of Bob Baffert's horses is doing well, the Hall of Fame trainer expects a big effort.

That's why 'TDN Rising Star' **Prince of Monaco** (Speightstown) has made his second cross-country trip in the last two months. That's why he is right here, in Saratoga, getting ready to run in the \$500,000 GI Allen Jerkens Memorial on Saturday.

"It's a tough race, there are no easy spots," Baffert said by phone from his summer base at Del Mar in California. "Anytime you have a Grade I, especially at Saratoga, it's a tough race." **Cont.**



Prince of Monaco this summer at the Spa | Sarah Andrew

Saratoga Notebook, cont.

Prince of Monaco is the 4-1 second choice on the morning line, just behind **Book'em Danno** (**Bucchero**), who is 7-2. Book'em Danno trainer Derek Ryan had also entered his gelding in Friday night's \$500,000 Robert Hilton Memorial at Charles Town.

Book'em Danno has won his last two, including the GI Woody Stephens at Saratoga on June 8 when he beat Prince of Monaco by a half-length.

"Oh, this is a competitive field," Baffert said and then joked, "I think half of the field should go to Charles Town."

In the Woody Stephens, Prince of Monaco got off to a slow start and then was tangled up before he made strong run late to get second.

He was making his first start since finishing fifth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Santa Anita in November.

"I can get them ready off layoffs," Baffert said. "When you have a horse like that that you know has so much quality and brilliance, I like to pick out sexy races for him. They are going to run just as hard in an allowance race as they will in a stake."

One thing that will be new in the Jerkens for Prince of Monaco is the rider. Hall of Famer John Velazquez will ride him for the first time after Flavien Prat, who has been his pilot for his last four starts, opted to go elsewhere.

Prat had his choice to ride one of four horses in the Jerkens and landed on the Chad Brown-trained **Domestic Product** (**Practical Joke**).

"There are so many good riders up there," Baffert said. "Finding a top rider there is easy."

Prince of Monaco was a \$950,000 purchase at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Yearling Sale. He is owned by SF Racing and Partners.

Baffert also said that **National Treasure** (**Quality Road**) would likely be pointed to the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile and not the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. He had his first work since finishing sixth as the favorite in the GI Whitney Stakes on Tuesday, going four furlongs in :48.00 (3/8) at Del Mar.

His 3-year-old **'TDN Rising Star' Muth** (**Good Magic**), who has not raced since winning the GI Arkansas Derby on Mar. 30, may be on his way to the GI Pacific Classic at Del Mar on Aug. 31.

Baffert said he might also run 4-year-old **Reincarnate** (**Good Magic**) in that spot.

It all depends, Baffert said, on how they work this weekend.

Maybe the Hood Will Help Honor Marie as He Attempts to Upset Travers

The journey through the Triple Crown was a bumpy one for **Honor Marie** (Honor Code).

Now, with the \$1.25-million GI Travers Stakes next on the schedule, trainer Whit Beckman is going to try something different. When Honor Marie and jockey Tyler Gaffalione line up in the starting gate for the Midsummer Derby Saturday, he'll be equipped with blinkers for the first time.



Honor Marie and Tyler Gaffalione outside of stablemate Stowaway and TC Stevens Saturday | Sarah Andrew

"Hopefully, with the blinkers on, he can be a little more responsive in the early parts of the race," Beckman said outside his barn at the Oklahoma Training Track. "He has breezed very well with them. We just want to help his focus. Usually, when you ask him to move forward, it takes him a minute."

Honor Marie, owned by Ribble Farms LLC, Michael H. Eiserman, Earl I. Silver, Kenneth E. Fishbein and Dave Fishbein, was last seen finishing fourth in the GI Belmont Stakes at Saratoga on June 8. He did not have the greatest of trips there, getting bumped at the start. Before that, he lost all hope early in the GI Kentucky Derby as he was jostled hard early on but still ended up eighth in the field of 20.

Beckman is not surprised that Honor Marie is 20-1 on the morning line--he shares those odds with **Batten Down** (**Tapit**)--and that he is the longest price on the Travers odds.

"He has always been one of those under-the-radar horses," Beckman said. "The sales tax on (7-2) Sierra Leone (**Gun Runner**) was double of what this horse cost."

Sierra Leone went for \$2.3 million; Honor Marie cost \$40,000.

"He just comes along without doing anything to turn any heads, which is cool for us," Beckman said. "He is just one those horses that will show up. His trips have been awful. I guarantee if it happened to any other trainer, a more vocal trainer, they would be crying all day long. I am not one of those guys who is going to whine and complain about spilled milk. It is what it is, and we are going to suit up and try again." **Cont.**

Casse Will Make a Return Trip to Woodbine But He's Flying This Time



Mark and Tina Casse | Sarah Andrew

Hall of Fame trainer Mark Casse has to wait a little longer to see if he can win the prestigious \$1-million King's Plate at Woodbine Racetrack.

The race, the first leg of the Canadian Triple Crown and the oldest annual stakes race in North America, was originally scheduled for last Saturday but was canceled due to torrential rain.

It will be run on Friday (5:34 p.m. post time).

"I'm flying," Casse said Wednesday morning while watching horses train on the main track at Saratoga. "I am not driving this time."

Casse and his wife, Tina, drove the seven and a half hours from Saratoga and then turned around and came back home on Sunday. While he was in Toronto, Casse did get some work done.

He will run three horses in the King's Plate, including the favorite, **My Boy Prince** (**Cairo Prince**), last year's Canadian 2-year-old champion.

On Sunday, he worked the colt as well as his other King's Plate runners: **Essex Serpent** (Honor Code) and **Midnight Mascot** (**Army Mule**).

"I called an audible on Sunday," Casse said. "Our horses had not breezed for a while. I don't think (canceling the race to Friday) will be a factor."

Casse said he was not going to allow the cancellation to bother him but he felt bad for everyone else.

"I had Gary Barber (My Boy Prince owner) fly in (from California)," Casse said. "Woodbine worked so hard to make it a great day. They had the Prime Minister (Justin Trudeau). I feel bad for all those people. Don't feel bad for me. As long as everyone is safe, I don't let all that stuff get me too excited."

Casse said he will fly to Canada on Friday and then return to Saratoga on Friday night.

"The problem is that when I spend seven hours driving, it takes time away from work. I have to get back here; I have a big day Saturday."

Casse has four horses entered on Travers Day including **Full Screen** (Big Screen) in the GI Forego and **Little Ni** (Mohaymen) in the GI Allen Jerkens Memorial.

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RYAN PICKS JERKENS FOR BOOK'EM DANNO

by Bill Finley

After entering stable star **Book'em Danno** (**Bucchero**) in both Friday's Robert Hilton Memorial at Charles Town and Saturday's GI H. Allen Jerkens Memorial Stakes, trainer Derek Ryan confirmed Wednesday that his New Jersey-bred gelding will go in the Saratoga race. **Cont.**



Book'em Danno | Bill Denver/Equi-Photo

Book'em Danno, cont.

Both races are restricted to 3-year-olds, have purses of \$500,000 and will be run at the distance of seven furlongs.

"We're going to Saratoga," Ryan said from his base at Monmouth Park. "He got a good post (post 8). At Charles Town, he got a bad post (post 2) and it's a two-turn race. He doesn't like to be down in there tight and with the speed drawn to the outside of him that's probably what would have happened. I know Saratoga is the tougher of the two. But it's Saratoga. You win a race at Charles Town and no one will know that it happened."

"If I drew the one or two hole in Saratoga, it would have been a no-brainer. I'd be going to the other place. I'm surprised I'm the only one who cross entered. A lot of people are hoping to win the Jerkens to make their horses stallions. I wouldn't mind shattering their dreams."

After running second in the Saudi Derby, Book'em Danno has reeled off wins in the GI Woody Stephens Stakes and the Jersey Shore Stakes. He will not have an easy assignment in Saratoga. Book 'em Danno has been installed as the 7-2 morning-line favorite, but will have to tangle with a pair of **'TDN Rising Stars'** in **Prince of Monaco** (Speightstown) (4-1) and **Timberlake** (Into Mischief), who was third in the GI Haskell and is 5-1 in the line. The race drew 11 horses.

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FOR SENOR BUSCADOR, THE PAT O'BRIEN A STARTING POINT *by Bill Finley*

For a horse that has won the richest race in the world, Saturday's \$250,000 GII Pat O'Brien Stakes at Del Mar might not seem like an overly difficult spot. But when **Senor Buscador** (**Mineshaft**) heads to the post for Saturday's race, he probably won't be the favorite and there will no doubt be some wiseguys who throw him out all together.

The problems are threefold: He's not a seven-furlong horse; he will not have run for 147 days; he'll be facing the best sprinter on the **West Coast** in the California-bred marvel **The Chosen Vron** (Vronsky).

None of this has escaped trainer Todd Fincher. Yes, he'd like to win this race but the bigger goal is to take a step forward on his way to the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

After winning the Feb. 24, \$20-million G1 Saudi Cup, Senor Buscador was third in the G1 Dubai World Cup on Mar. 30 and has not run since. A more conventional route to the Breeders' Cup would have been to start Senor Buscador off in the July 27 GII San Diego Handicap, but Fincher said he didn't have the horse ready for the race.



Senor Buscador | *Benoit*

"When he came back from the Middle East I turned him out and gave him a little break," Fincher said. "We brought him back and listened to him. If he had been ready for the San Diego we would have run him in that race. We were waiting on him. This race, the Pat O'Brien, was always a possibility from the beginning."

Senor Buscador has not sprinted since running third in the 2022 Pat O'Brien. The Saudi Cup is a mile-and-an-eighth race and the Dubai World Cup is contested at a mile-and-a-quarter.

"Obviously, we want to run the classic distances," Fincher said. "It's a good race for him to come back in. He's ready to run now and we are happy with him. He wasn't ready for the San Diego. His fitness wasn't there."

He will also have a new jockey. Joe Talamo will replace Junior Alvarado, who will be in Saratoga to ride **Batten Down** (**Tapit**) in the GI Travers Stakes for his main client Bill Mott. Talamo has been riding Senor Buscador in the mornings since he returned to Fincher's barn. A win could prove to be a big boost for the jockey, who is just 14-for-229 on the year.

After the Pat O'Brien, Fincher will target the Sept. 28 GI California Crown Stakes at Santa Anita and then the GI Breeders' Cup Classic.

"This is the best horse I've ever trained and it's always exciting to have a horse like that running for you. He's a fantastic horse. It's not just me, everybody is excited to see him run again," Fincher said.

The Pat O'Brien could come down to a race between two of the sport's most beloved blue-collar heroes. Senor Buscador, who is 6-years-old, has not always been this good. The Saudi Cup was his first top-level win. Prior to that, the 2023 San Diego marked his biggest career score. **Cont.**

Senior Buscador. cont.

To pick up another graded victory in the Pat O'Brien, Senior Buscador will have to defeat one of the most popular horses in the sport. The Chosen Vron has won 19 of 24 career starts, including 17 stakes races, defeating both Cal-breds and open company. At seven furlongs, he appears to have a big advantage over Senior Buscador.

"He's a great horse and a great outstanding Cal-bred," Fincher said. "I've admired that horse for a long time. It will be a good matchup between two fan favorites. Like the Cowboys vs. the 49ers. I have nothing bad to say about The Chosen Vron. He's looked like an awesome horse for a long time. I like great horses, whether they are in my barn or someone else's."

Others expected for the Pat O'Brien include **Big City Lights** (Mr. Big), **Happy Jack** (Oxbow), **Moose Mitchell** (Danzing Candy), **Raging Torrent** (Maximus Mischief), **See Through It** (Curlin to Mischief) and **Arrowthegreat** (Arrogate).

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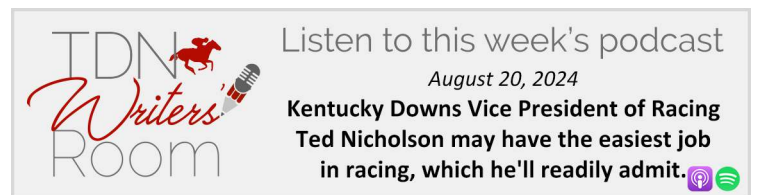
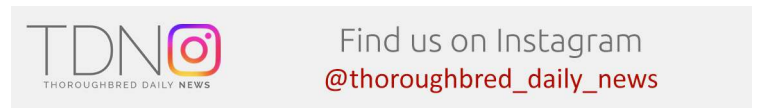
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For TVG and 4NJBETS customers, online pre-registration ends at 3 p.m. ET. on Friday, Aug. 23. Xpress players can register through 12:50 p.m. ET. on Saturday. On-site registration is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET. on the first floor of Clubhouse. Based on 200 entries, the prize pool will consist of three NHC seats, four BCBC seats and \$25,000 cash.

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Thursday, Saratoga #2, post time: 1:44 p.m. EDT

BALLSTON SPA S.-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Surprisingly 🐾	Mastery	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Ortiz	120
2	Coppice (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Delahaye 🐾	Medaglia d'Oro	William H. Lawrence & Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	Brown	Gaffalione	120
4	Beaute Cachee (Fr)	Literato (Fr)	Louis Lazzinnaro LLC, Madaket Stables LLC, Michael J. Caruso, and Michael Dubb	Brown	Dettori	124
5	Gina Romantica 🐾	Into Mischief	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Prat	122
6	Hoosier Philly 🐾	Into Mischief	Gold Standard Racing Stable, LLC	Amoss	Rider TBA	118
7	Movie Moxy 🐾	Street Sense	Linda Rice and Marequest	Rice	Lezcano	118
8	Amanda's Folly 🐾	Mendelssohn	Linda Rice	Rice	Ortiz	118

Breeders: 1-Phipps Stable, 2-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 3-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 4-Gregor Vischer, 5-Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & CraigBrogden, 6-Candy Meadows LLC, 7-Bonne Chance Farm, LLC, 8-Lambholm

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

PERSONAL ENSIGN S.-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Xigera 🐾	Nyquist	Rigney Racing, LLC	Bauer	Gaffalione	118
2	Soul of an Angel	Atreides	C Two Racing Stable and Agave Racing Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	120
3	Raging Sea 🐾	Curlin	Alpha Delta Stables, LLC	Brown	Prat	120
4	Idiomatic	Curlin	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	124
5	Randomized 🐾	Nyquist	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Rosario	124

Breeders: 1-Cedar Hill LLC, 2-Westbrook Stables, LLC, 3-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 4-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 5-Cove Springs, LLC

Friday, Woodbine #7, post time: 4:20 p.m. EDT

BET365 KING EDWARD S.-GII, C\$200,000, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cruden Bay	Big Screen	Michael Lay	MacRae	Vives	124
2	Ironstone	Mr Speaker	Tequesta Racing Inc. and Jupiter Leasing Co.	Armata	Munger	121
3	Wicked Django	Wicked Strong	Ryan Brewster	Cole	Nicholls	121
4	Like the King K	Palace Malice	M Racing Group, LLC	Casse	Husbands	121
5	Secret Reserve	Giant Gizmo	Carlo D'Amato and Stacey Van Camp	Mattine	Salles	121
6	War Bomber (Ire) 🐾	War Front	Bruno Schickedanz	McKnight	Hernandez	123
7	Kaukokaipuu	Mr Speaker	Culpepper Island Syndicate	Holder	Flores	121
8	Filo Di Arianna (Brz)	Drosselmeyer	Gary Barber, Wachtel Stable and Peter Deutsch	Casse	Kimura	124

Breeders: 1-Spring Farm, 2-Kingview Farms, 3-Denny Andrews & Niall Brennan, 4-Horseshoe Racing LLC, 5-Dr. B. Van Arend, 6-Coolmore, 7-Seán Fitzhenry, 8-Stud Principessa di Capri



Friday, Charles Town #10, post time: 9:40 p.m. EDT**CHARLES TOWN OAKS-GII, \$750,000, 3yo, f, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sing a Little Song	Bird Song	Tracey Wilkes	Wilkes	Landeros	118
2	Princess Madison 🌿	Speightstown	Rigney Racing LLC	Bauer	Ortiz	118
3	Overnight Pow Wow	Fiber Sonde	Beau Ridge Farm LLC	McKee	Latchman	120
4	Haulin Ice	Coal Front	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Paul Braverman Miller Racing LLC, and Timothy Pinch	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	120
5	Nay V Belle	Midshipman	Saints or Sinners	Foley	Dettori	118
6	Mystic Lake	Mo Town	C Two Racing Stable and Stefania Farms LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Smith	123
7	Deviletta	Gun Runner	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Torres	118
8	Impel	Quality Road	Juddmonte	Cox	Geroux	118
9	Roswell	Into Mischief	Helen C. Alexander	Mott	Alvarado	118
10	My Mane Squeeze	Audible	William J. Butler and WinStar Farm LLC	Maker	Saez	123
11	Vincey Girl	Race Day	Blu Boy Racing Stables LLC & Matty Dan Racing Stable	D'Angelo	-	118

Breeders: 1-Traits, LLC, 2-Christopher St. Hilaire & Adam Vali, 3-John McKee, 4-Eugenia Thompson-Benight, 5-Scott Clarke, Reynard Bloodstock, NickyDrion, S. Murat & Michael Banahan, 6-Peggy Costanzo, 7-Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC, 8-Juddmonte, 9-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds, 10-William Butler, 11-Craig Boone & Jesus Armendariz

Friday, Charles Town #11, post time: 10:20 p.m. EDT**CHARLES TOWN CLASSIC S.-GII, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Lord Miles	Curlin	Vegso Racing Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	119
2	Warrior Johny 🌿	Cairo Prince	Rigney Racing LLC	Bauer	Rosario	119
3	Piroli	Battle of Midway	Don Alberto Stable	McCarthy	Saez	119
4	Komorebino Omoide(Jpn)	California Chrome	Perry Martin	Diodoro	Vazquez	119
5	Bendoog	Gun Runner	Mohammed Khaleel Ahmed	Mott	Lezcano	119
6	Coastal Mission	Great Notion	Coleswood Farm Inc.	Runco	Bocachica	119
7	SkippyLongstocking 🌿	Exaggerator	Daniel Alonso	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	121
8	Velocitor	Mor Spirit	Al and Bill Ulwelling	Scherer	Cohen	119
9	Frosted Departure 🌿	Frosted	C and H Diamond Racing LLC	McPeck	Leparoux	119
10	Double Crown	Bourbon Courage	Built Wright Stables LLC	Binning	Lewis	119

Breeders: 1-Vegso Racing Stable, 2-Mr. & Mrs. William L. Pape, 3-Don Alberto Corporation, 4-Perry Martin, 5-Calumet Farm, 6-Coleswood Farm, Inc., 7-Brushy Hill, LLC, 8-Al Ulwelling & Bill Ulwelling, 9-Alastar Thoroughbred Company, LLC, 10-Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman & Rebecca Davis

Friday, Woodbine #8, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT**BOLD VENTURE S.-GIII, C\$150,000, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Capture the Lion	Uncaptured	Gary Barber	Casse	Civaci	123
2	Ironstone	Mr Speaker	Tequesta Racing Inc. and Jupiter Leasing Co.	Armata	Munger	122
3	Patches O'Houlihan	Reload	Frank D. Di Giulio Jr.	Tiller	Vives	124
4	Border Town 🌿	War Front	A. Bianco Holdings Ltd.	Drexler	Salles	122
5	I'm A Gambler (Ire)	No Nay Never	Red Baron's Barn LLC	Attard	Moran	123
6	Playmea Tune	Maclean's Music	Chiefswood Stables Limited	Carroll	Kimura	123
7	First Empire	Classic Empire	Gary Barber	Casse	Husbands	122

Breeders: 1-Sherry R. Mansfield & Kenneth H. Davis, 2-Kingview Farms, 3-Frank Di Giulio Jr., 4-Mrs. E. Stockwell, 5-Fullbury Ltd, 6-Chiefswood Stables Limited, 7-Saintsbury Farms Inc.

Friday, Woodbine, post time: 5:34 p.m. EDT**KING'S PLATE S., C\$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT)**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Jokestar	Practical Joke	Al and Bill Ulwelling	Attard	Wilson	126
2	Rafaroo	Hard Spun	Stronach Stables	Ladouceur	Munger	126
3	Essex Serpent	Honor Code	Manfred and Penny Conrad	Casse	Husbands	126
4	Caitlinhergrtness	Omaha Beach	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Attard	Hernandez	121
5	Midnight Mascot	Army Mule	Manfred and Penny Conrad	Casse	Kimura	126
6	Friendly Ghost	Outwork	Sue Leslie	Chartrand-Hoek	Stein	126
7	My Boy Prince	Cairo Prince	Gary Barber	Casse	Civaci	126
8	Pierre	Tapiture	Al and Bill Ulwelling	Attard	Cohen	126
9	Thor's Cause	Brody's Cause	J Pignatelli, Spirit's Path Mgmt, A McMullen	Cole	Alderson	126
10	Bedard	Nyquist	X-Men Racing III, Madaket Stables, SF Racing	Attard	Moran	126
11	Roar of the Crowd	Reload	Dominic Polsinelli	Polsinelli	Aebly	126
12	No More Options	Frac Daddy	Mary T. Self	Krcmar	Fukumoto	126
13	Vitality	Street Boss	Stronach Stables	Ladouceur	Campos	126

Breeders: 1-Al Ulwelling & Bill Ulwelling, 2-Adena Springs, 3-Conrad Farms, 4-Jesse Korona, 5-Yvonne Schwabe Thoroughbreds, 6-Phoenix Rising Farms, 7-Murray Graham Smith, 8-Tall Oaks Farm, 9-James Everatt, Janeane Everatt & ArikaEveratt-Meeuse, 10-Anderson Farms Ont. Inc., 11-Paradox Farm, Inc., 12-Laurel A. Byrne, 13-Adena Springs

Saturday, Saratoga #13, post time: 6:10 p.m. EDT**DRAFTKINGS TRAVERS S.-GI, \$1,250,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Thorpedo Anna	Fast Anna	Brookdale Racing, Inc., Mark Edwards, Judy B. Hicks and Magdalena Racing	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	121
2	Sierra Leone	Gun Runner	Mrs. John Magnier, Michael B. Tabor, Derrick Smith, Westerberg, Rocket Ship Racing, LLC and Peter M. Brant	Brown	Prat	126
3	Unmatched Wisdom 🍀	Cairo Prince	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	126
4	Corporate Power 🍀	Curlin	Courtlandt Farms	McGaughey III	Castellano	126
5	Batten Down	Tapit	Juddmonte	Mott	Alvarado	126
6	Honor Marie 🍀	Honor Code	Ribble Farms LLC, Michael H. Eiserman, Earl I. Silver, Kenneth E. and Dave Fishbein	Beckman	Gaffalione	126
7	Dornoch 🍀	Good Magic	West Paces Racing LLC, R. A. Hill Stable, Belmar Racing and Breeding, LLC, Two Eight Racing, LLC & Pine Racing Stables	Gargan	Saez	126
8	Fierceness	City of Light	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	126

Breeders: 1-Judy Hicks, 2-Debby M. Oxley, 3-Estate of Harvey A. Clarke, Paul Braverman, Sebastian Murat, et al., 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-Juddmonte, 6-Royce Pulliam, 7-Grandview Equine, 8-Repole Stable, Inc.



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Saturday, Saratoga #9, post time: 3:44 p.m. EDT**RESORTS WORLD CASINO SWORD DANCER S.-GI, \$750,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Soldier Rising (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Madaket Stables LLC, Michael Dubb, Morris Bailey, Wonder Stables and Michael J. Caruso	Clement	Ortiz	120
2	Measured Time (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Buick	126
3	Far Bridge	English Channel	LSU Stables	Clement	Rosario	120
4	Silver Knott (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Godolphin, LLC	Appleby	Prat	124
5	Pioneering Spirit 🍀	American Pharoah	A. Bianco Holding Limited	Rice	Ortiz, Jr.	120
6	Grand Sonata 🍀	Medaglia d'Oro	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Pletcher	Castellano	120

Breeders: 1-Dayton Investments, 2-Godolphin, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-St Albans Bloodstock LLP, 5-International Equities Holding, 6-Whisper Hill Farm.

Saturday, Saratoga #10, post time: 4:20 p.m. EDT**BALLERINA H.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f****CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN.™**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Positano Sunset	Goldcents	Six Column Stables, LLC, Randall L. Bloch, John Seiler, and David Hall	Wilkes	Leparoux	118
2	Chi Town Lady	Verrazano	Castleton Lyons	Ward	Ortiz	119
3	Vahva 🌿	Gun Runner	Belladonna Racing, LLC, Edward J. Hudson, Jr. and Lynne Hudson, West Point Thoroughbreds, Nice Guys Stables, Twin Brook Stables, Steve Hornstock, LBD Stable LLC, Manganaro Bloodstock and Runnels Racing	DeVaux	Ortiz, Jr.	124
4	Society	Gun Runner	Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds LLC	Asmussen	Gaffalione	119
5	Scylla	Tapit Juddmonte	Mott	Castellano	122	
6	Shidabhuti 🌿	Practical Joke	Peter M. Brant	Brown	Davis	119
7	Accede	Into Mischief	Juddmonte	Brown	Prat	121
8	Munnys Gold	Munnings	Lawana L. and Robert E. Low	Pletcher	Velazquez	117

Breeders: 1-John Seiler, Randy Bloch, Trish Henson, Brad Stephens & Dave Hall, 2-Castleton Lyons, Kilboy Estate & Gavin Tierney, 3-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC, 4-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 5-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 6-Gabriel Duignan & Gerry Dilger, 7-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 8-Nicksar Farms

Saturday, Saratoga #11, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT**FOREGO S.-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 7f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Gun Pilot	Gun Runner	Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	Asmussen	Torres	124
2	Twisted Ride	Great Notion	Kasey K Racing Stable LLC, Michael R. Day and Final Turn Racing Stable LLC	Moore	Carmouche	118
3	Full Screen	Big Screen	Gary Barber, Pantofel Stable, LLC and Wachtel Stable	Casse	Davis	118
4	Baby Yoda	Prospective	Pantofel Stable, LLC, Wachtel Stable, Gry Barber, and Jerold L. Zaro	Mott	Gaffalione	122
5	Run Classic 🌿	Runhappy	Tom R. Durant	D'Angelo	Castellano	118
6	Mullikin 🌿	Violence	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Brisset	Prat	122
7	Angkor 🌿	Anchor Down	Rigney Racing, LLC	Bauer	Ortiz, Jr.	118
8	Cagliostro	Upstart	Wathnan Racing	DeVaux	Ortiz	118

Breeders: 1-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 2-Kasey K Racing Stable, 3-Spring Farm, 4-Kathleen Amaya, Alexandro Centofanti & Raffaele Centofanti, 5-Millennium Farms, 6-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 7-Wynnstay LLC & H. Allen Poindexter, 8-Lance Colwell & Janice Clark

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Saturday, Saratoga #12, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

H. ALLEN JERKENS MEMORIAL S.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	World Record 🦄	Gun Runner	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Brisset	Saez	122
2	Speak Easy	Constitution	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	118
3	Domestic Product	Practical Joke	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	120
4	Vettriano	Liam's Map	Lady Sheila Stable, Will Stroud, Peter Leidel, and Kerri Radcliffe	Cox	Franco	118
5	Prince of Monaco	Speightstown	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Dianne Bashor, Robert E. Masterson Waves Edge Capital LLC, Catherine Donovan and Tom Ryan	Baffert	Velazquez	122
6	Timberlake 🦄	Into Mischief	Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Cox	Geroux	122
7	Otto the Conqueror 🦄	Street Sense	Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	Asmussen	Gaffalione	118
8	Book'em Danno	Bucchero	Atlantic Six Racing, LLC	Ryan	Castellano	124
9	Reynolds Channel 🦄	West Coast	LRE Racing LLC and JEH Racing Stable LLC	Mott	Rosario	118
10	Jefferson Street	Street Sense	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	118
11	Little Ni	Mohaymen	Boardwalk Racing, KEM Stables, Joseph F. Romano, William J. Belford and David Fishbein	Casse	Ortiz	118

Breeders: 1-Runnymede Farm LLC, FalguieresBloodstock, Gestut Zur Kuste AG, et al, 2-WinStar Farm, LLC, 3-Klaravich Stables, 4-Winter Creek Farm, 5-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 6-St. Elias Stables, LLC, 7-Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC, 8-Gregory J. Kilka & Bright View Farm, 9-Edwin Anthony, 10-Godolphin, 11-Shadwell Farm, LLC



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Saturday, Del Mar #9, post time: 9:00 p.m. EDT

PAT O'BRIEN S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Moose Mitchell	Danzing Candy	R L Stables	Papaprodromou	Laprida	121
2	See Through It	Curlin to Mischief	Lizbeth Medina	Vallejo	Pereira	121
3	Happy Jack 🦄	Oxbow	Calumet Farm	O'Neill	Maldonado	123
4	Raging Torrent 🦄	Maximus Mischief	Great Friends Stables LLC or Davis	O'Neill	Fresu	118
5	Big City Lights	Mr. Big	William R. Peeples	Mandella	Kimura	121
6	The Chosen Vron	Vronsky	Sondereker Racing LLC, Fetkin or Thornburgh, et al	Kruljac	Berrios	125
7	Senor Buscador	Mineshaft	Peacock Family Racing Stable, LLC	Fincher	Talamo	125
8	Arrowthegreat 🦄	Arrogate	Double L Racing, Malarkey or Odmark, et al	Blacker	Espinoza	121

Breeders: 1-Kathleen Kennedy, 2-Edward Allred, 3-Calumet Farm, 4-Rodney J. Winkler & Alfonso Mazzetti, 5-Bar C Racing Stables, Inc., 6-Tiz Molly Partners, 7-Joe R Peacock Sr. & Joe R Peacock Jr., 8-Hinkle Farms

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Saturday, Century Mile #12, post time: 11:45 p.m. EDT

CANADIAN DERBY-GIII, C\$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Roussette 🌿	Blame	Henry S. Witt, Jr.	Delaronde	Zenteno Jr.	126
2	J Dutton	Smiling Tiger	Christoff, Gordon and Giesbrecht, Lance B.	Anderson	Reyes	126
3	McEwen	Khozan	All For One Stables, Holtman, Bette, Belle, Oslen & Payne, T	Brown	Cumberbatch	126
4	Classy City 🌿	Classic Empire	Highfield Investment Gp, Dialed In Rng Sbl & Smokin Guns Sbl	Smith	Hughes	126
5	Skipper's Pride	Klimt	Nathan Hoines and Jill J. Lindell	Kingston	Carter	126
6	Lord of Battle 🌿	Mastery	Tamara Baker	Palma	Gonzalez	126
7	August Rain	Sungold	Peter Redekop B. C., Ltd.	Heads	Perez	126
8	Awesome Road 🌿	Quality Road	Bennewith, Arnold, Wiest, Rick, Clayton, David & Lana, R6 Stbls, Kropp, Gary, Tremblay, Norman & Van Nistelrooy, J	Diodoro	Nelson	126
9	Shining Tiger	Smiling Tiger	Mohamad K. Khan	Brown	Beckles	126
10	Northern Force	Counterforce	JDP Holdings Ltd.	VanOvershot	Asencio	126
11	Itsallgoodman	Speightster	Curtis Landry	Anderson	Balgobin	126

Breeders: 1-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds, 2-PT Syndicate #1 LLC, 3-Brent Fernung, Crystal Fernung & MikeReilly, 4-George E. Bates, 5-Mike Bilbrey, 6-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & Sally S.Humphrey, 7-Peter Redekop BC LTD, 8-Claiborne Farm, 9-PT Syndicate #1 LLC, 10-Paul Caravetta, 11-Stone Ranches

Saturday, Woodbine #10, post time: 5:52 p.m. EDT

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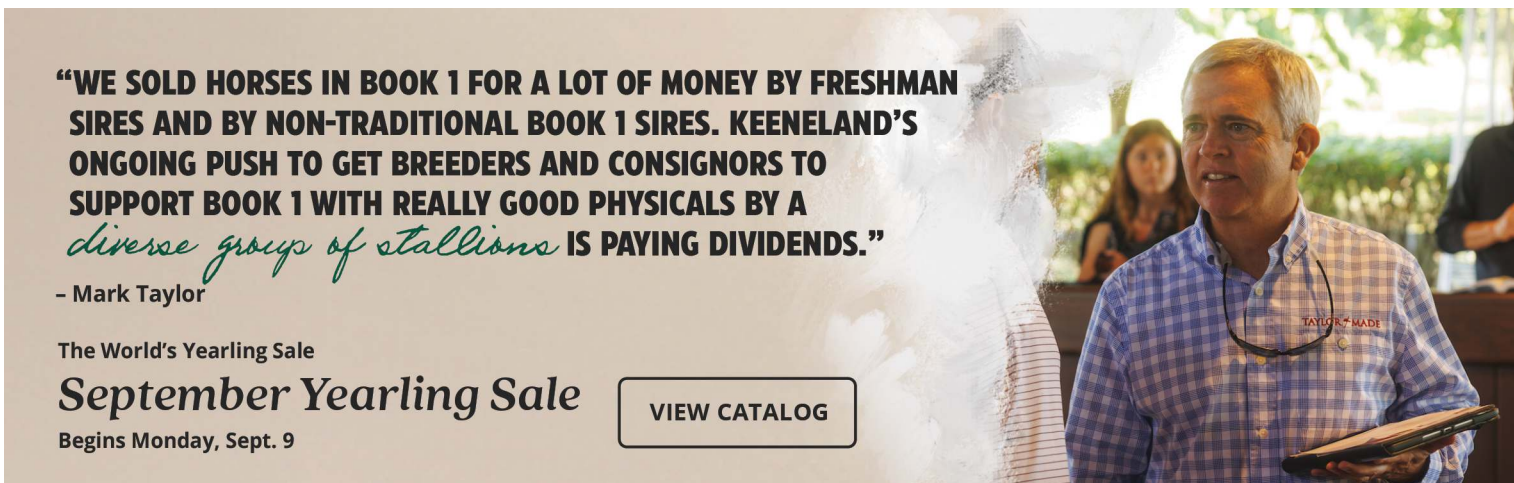
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SACROSANCT'S EASY DEBUT VICTORY GIVES HONEST MISCHIEF FIRST WINNER

by Jessica Martini

Sacrosanct (**Honest Mischief**), the 8-5 favorite, strode home an easy 3 1/4-length victor of his debut at Saratoga Wednesday, becoming the first winner for his freshman sire (by Into Mischief). The bay colt rushed up to press the pace down the backstretch through an opening quarter in :22.58. He took over approaching the stretch as the half went up in :46.12 and was well in control despite drifting slightly down the lane. Skytown (**Echo Town**) chased him home in second and Bold Fortune (**Central Banker**) was third.

Sacrosanct was a \$260,000 purchase following a :10 flat work at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May sale.

Bloodstock agents Kerri Radcliffe--bidding on behalf of Sheila Rosenblum's Lady Sheila Stables--and Clay Scherer found they were on the same colt heading into the ring at Timonium and

teamed up to buy the youngster on behalf of their respective clients.

"He was a gorgeous colt," said Radcliffe. "I was trying to get Sheila to buy him and we wanted a partner, so I waited for him and as I followed him in, Clay Scherer was there and asked if I was on him. He loved him, too. I had Sheila on the phone and she was great with partnering up. I am pretty sure Clay and I bought him on one bid."

His dam, the unraced Vibrato, purchased by Sims/Thomas/Burleson as a 3-year-old for \$70,000 at the 2016 Keeneland November sale, was bred back to **Honest Mischief** this year. A daughter of multiple stakes winner Cuff Me (Officer), she has a yearling colt by **Instagrand** and a weanling full-brother to the winner.

Honest Mischief stands at Sequel Stallions for \$6,500. A Juddmonte-bred stakes-winning son of Honest Lady (Seattle Slew), he was third in the 2019 GII Amsterdam Stakes. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by [FanDuel TV](#).**



Sacrosanct | Sarah Andrew

FIRST WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

2nd-Saratoga, \$90,000, (S), Msw, 8-21, 2yo, 6f, 1:11.65, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

SACROSANCT (c, 2, **Honest Mischief**--Vibrato, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$49,500. O-Lady Sheila Stable, Jon Hansen & Schwing Thoroughbreds; B-Burleson Farms, Mckenzie Bloodstock & Sequel Thoroughbreds (NY); T-Brad Cox.

KERRI RADCLIFFE BLOODSTOCK PURCHASE

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SUMMER BREEZES:

\$600K **Twirling Candy** Filly Draws Wide for DMR Bow



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 Thursday at Saratoga and Del Mar:



Twirling Candy | Lee Thomas

Thursday, August 22, 2024

Saratoga 1, \$90k, 2yo, f, (S), 6f, 1:10 p.m. ET

Horse (Sire)	Sale	Price (\$)	Breeze
Material Girl (Central Banker)	OBSAPR	140,000	:9 4/5

C-Wavertree Stables Inc (C Dunne), agt;

B-Team Hanley & 30 Year Farm, BSW/Crow, agent

Princess Mischief (Honest Mischief)	FTMMAY	55,000	:10 1/5
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C-Sequel Bloodstock, agent; B-Chris Englehart, agent

With the Angels (Omaha Beach)	OBSAPR	350,000	:9 4/5
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C-Wavertree Stables Inc (C Dunne), agt; B-Justin Casse, agent

Del Mar 4, \$75k, 2yo, f, 5fT, 6:30 p.m. ET

Twirling Light (Twirling Candy)	OBSMAR	600,000	:10
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C-Eddie Woods, agent; B-Jet Horse LLC, Peter Miller, agent

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

CAPE HENLOPEN S., \$200,000, Delaware, 8-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:32.70, fm.

1--**THE GREY WIZARD (IRE), 124, g, 5, Caravaggio--Fancy (Ire), by Galileo (Ire).** (£78,000 Ylg '20 GOFOR). O-Eclipse

Thoroughbred Partners & The Estate of Albert Frassetto;

B-Longfield Stud (IRE); T-H. Graham Motion; J-John R.

Velazquez. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 16-5-4-1, \$693,531.

*1/2 to Fancy Man (Ire) (Pride Of Dubai {Aus}), SW-Aus, MSW & MGSP-Eng, \$260,973.

Another Irish-bred stakes WINNER

2--**Limited Liability**, 119, g, 5, Kitten's Joy--Hold Harmless, by **Blame**. O/B-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC (KY); T-Claude R.

McGaughey III. \$40,000.



3--**English Conqueror**, 124, g, 7, English Channel--Regal

Conqueror, by Sky Conqueror. O-William A. Sorokolit, Jr.;

B-JWS Farms (ON); T-Darwin D. Banach. \$22,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, 3 3/4, 1. Odds: 1.10, 1.30, 8.20.

Also Ran: April Fools Andy, Really Good. Scratched: Magic Michael.

The Grey Wizard, coming off a win in the two-mile GII Belmont Gold Cup, made it back-to-back marathon victories with a 2 1/4-length score in the Cape Henlopen Stakes at Delaware Park Wednesday. The gray gelding was unhurried out of the gate and settled well behind the field. He pulled his way into contact with the rest of his rivals as the field bunched up behind pedestrian splits down the stretch the first time.

He powered into contention down the backstretch, was caught four wide on the final bend and slingshoted to the lead out of the turn and into the stretch before bounding clear to an authoritative victory.

“I knew my horse did not have a lot of speed and he is a little slow coming out of the gate, but they started slowing down the second and then the third quarter, so I decided I better start moving to keep him in a good rhythm moving forwardly,” said winning rider John Velazquez. “By the time we were at the half mile pole, I was right where I wanted to be and I got him moving into a great rhythm. When we got into the lane, I asked him and he just moved away from them.”

After opening 2024 with a last-of-nine effort in the Apr. 20 GII Elkhorn Stakes, The Grey Wizard was third in the 1 1/2-mile GIII Louisville Stakes May 18 and improved on his runner-up finish in last year’s Belmont Gold Cup when just getting his head in front on the line at Saratoga June 6.

The unraced Fancy produced a colt by Wootton Bassett (GB) this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

JOHN'S CALL S., \$130,950, Saratoga, 8-21, (C), 4yo/up, 1 5/8mT, 2:48.30, gd.

1--**CATHKIN PEAK (IRE), 118, g, 6, Alhebayeb (Ire)--Drumcliffe Dancer (Ire), by Footstepsinthesand (GB).** (€17,000 Ylg '19 GOFSP). O-Flying P Stable; B-G. Kinch (IRE); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$74,250. Lifetime Record: GISP, 20-5-4-3, \$490,577. *1/2 to El Astronaute (Ire) (Approve {Ire}), SW & G1SP-Fr, SW & GSP-Ire, SW-Eng, \$578,969.

Another Irish-bred stakes WINNER

2--**Six Minus**, 118, g, 6, English Channel--Strawberry Sense, by A.P. Indy. (\$180,000 Ylg '19 KESEF). O-Repole Stable, Todd & Jake J Pletcher; B-Payson Stud Inc (KY); T-Todd A. Pletcher. \$27,000.

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3--**Anthewinneris**, 122, g, 4, **Oscar Performance**--Run Like the Boss, by Scat Daddy. (\$67,000 RNA Ylg '21 KESEF). O/B-Susan Moulton (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. \$16,200.

VINERY SALES GRADUATE
Dam Sold by Grovendale

Margins: 5, 6 1/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 3.95, 2.35, 1.25.
 Also Ran: Curbstone, Winning Spirit (Ger). Scratched: Costa Terra, Dai Vernon, Foreign Relations, Kuchar.

Cathkin Peak jumped out to an early lead and never looked back when romping home a dominant winner of the John’s Call Stakes at Saratoga Wednesday. The 7-2 shot pulled his way to front end and was well held and well clear down the stretch for the first time. Still clear on the final bend after setting pedestrian splits, the bay gelding sailed home in splendid isolation under the wire.

“I had no worries about him [during the race]--we started looking at the fractions and they were so slow,” explained owner Jay Provenzano of Flying P Stable. “Jose [Ortiz]'s feet were in the dashboard. He would have run as fast as Jose let him run. Jose gave him a nice breather after three-quarters into the mile and into the far turn, I could see them [rest of the field] into a drive, and he was still cantering. At the quarter-pole, I knew it was over.”



Cathkin Peak | Sarah Andrew

Winning trainer Mike Maker added, “I expected a big effort from him, but you're always surprised when it's that big of an effort. Usually, I don't like to see them open up that much on the turf, but I thought the fractions were realistic. I thought he was well within himself, and it turned out that way.”

Cathkin Peak, on the board in five graded races in 2021 and 2022, including a third-place effort in the 2021 GI Hollywood Derby, has been claimed three times this year, most recently for \$80,000 out of a seventh-place effort at Churchill Downs June 19 last time out.

“Me and Mike [Maker], when we spotted the horse, we thought that this horse would stretch,” Provenzano said of the decision to claim the gelding. “He had some back class and that was the plan to get him in the John's Call. He hadn't won a sweepstakes, so he fell right into the category. We trained him for this, and he ran the way he trained.”

The claim may prove even more profitable with a potential next start in the \$2-million GII Kentucky Turf Cup Sept. 7.

“I was going to point towards the Kentucky Turf Cup at Kentucky Downs,” Maker confirmed.

Flying P Stables, which doubled up Wednesday when Accidental Hero (Mo town) won the fourth race, is having a bang-up Saratoga meet and currently leads the owner's race with 12 wins.

“The meet is very special,” said Provenzano. “I had a very dismal meet last year, but this meet you couldn't script it any better and now to throw the stakes on top of it, it's like the icing. We still have more to go. It's not over by far.” [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#), sponsored by [FanDuel TV](#).

BUCCHERO H., (NB) \$100,000, Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-21, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.76, fm.

1--**DEMOLISHER, 124, g, 3, Dominus--Maggie Sue, by Magna Graduate.** O/B-Kenneth Ayres (IN); T-Cipriano Contreras; J-Emmanuel Esquivel. \$57,600. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$241,500.

2--**Jeopardy Theory, 121, g, 5, Santiva--Holladay Dixie, by Dixie Union.** O-Ironhorse Racing Stable LLC; B-Superbad Stables, LLC & Pine Lake Breeders, LLC (IN); T-Anthony J. Granitz. \$19,200.

3--**Zolo, 125, g, 5, Commissioner--Cool Johanna, by Johannesburg.** (\$16,000 RNA Wlg '19 KEENOV). O-Rancho Monarca, LLC; B-Lannister Holdings LLC (IN); T-Antonio Duran. \$10,560.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 6.20, 36.00, 9.10.

Also Ran: Hoosier Daddy Now, Leading the Charge, Monumentaljustice, Paynter's Canvas, Indocumentado, Sargent Hulka, Strong Tide. Scratched: Backyard Justice, Black White N Gold, Jailhouse Justice, Knight's Move, One Big Dude, Run Away Rojo.

Demolisher took his record to a perfect four-for-four with a victory in the **Bucchero** Handicap at Horseshoe Indianapolis Wednesday. Sent off at 6-1, the dark bay gelding, jostled between foes at the break, rushed up to challenge for the lead four wide into the first turn. Still wide while sitting just off the pacesetters under a snug hold down the backstretch, he pulled his way to challenge for the lead after a half in :47.12 and gained the lead heading into the straight. Favored Strong Tide (English Channel) was making a bid just to his outside, but was pulled up at midstretch, leaving Demolisher to sail clear to the wire.

Demolisher, whose four starts have all come against state-bred company, romped to an 8 3/4-length debut win going 5 1/2 furlongs at this oval June 11. He added a front-running four-length allowance victory July 9 and stretched out to one mile and 70 yards to win the Governor's Handicap July 31 last time out. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#).

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- Optional Claiming Races: purses of \$20,000/up
- Maiden Special Weight: purses of \$18,000/up
- Maiden Claiming: purses of \$18,000/up & a minimum claiming price of \$40,000

ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000, (S), Alw, 8-21, (NW2L), 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04.15, ft, 17 3/4 lengths.

LARGE POUR (g, 2, Vino Rosso--Missbigtimes, by Flatter) scored a front-running 5 1/4-length victory going five furlongs at this oval in his July 29 debut. The 1-2 favorite was bumped at the break, but still rushed out to the early lead and was in control through an opening quarter in :22.10. He extended his advantage off the turn and into the stretch and sailed home unchallenged to the wire in a 17 3/4-length romp. Large Pour was a \$35,000 FTKOCT yearling. Missbigtimes produced a colt by Authentic last year and was bred to Yaupon this year. [Click for the Equibase.com](#). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$44,400.

O-Jordan Wood, Michael Wern & Anthony Granitz; B-Deann Baer & Greg Baer DVM (IN); T-Anthony J. Granitz.

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MAIDEN WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

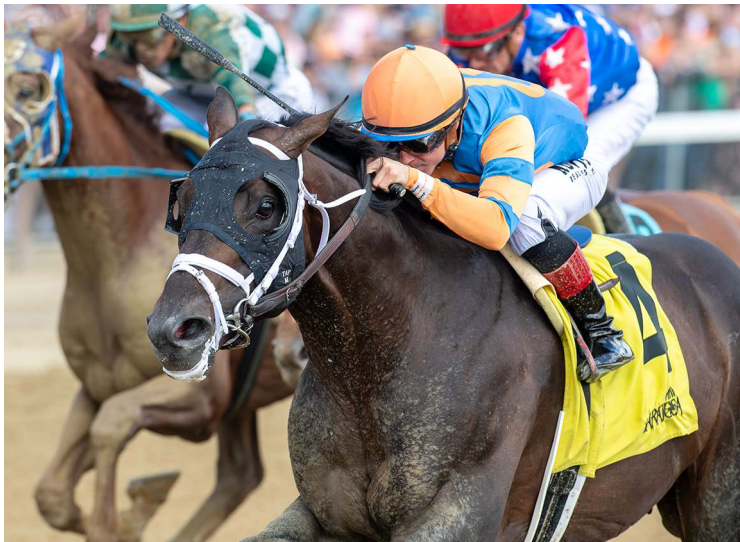
1st-Saratoga, \$93,000, Msw, 8-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m (off turf), 2:06.43, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

PROTECTIVE (c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Grace Hall {GISW, \$1,546,360}, by Empire Maker), who opened 2024 with a third-place effort in a one mile and 40 yard-maiden special weight at Tampa Bay Mar. 10, was immediately thrown into graded company, where he finished third in the Apr. 6 Gil Wood Memorial and May 11 GIII Peter Pan Stakes. Sixth over this track and trip in the June 8 GI Belmont Stakes, the dark bay colt returned to the maiden ranks to finish second going nine furlongs July 14. The 1-9 favorite while facing just three foes in this off-the-turf affair, Protective settled into third while racing in the clear behind glacial splits. He moved up three wide entering the far turn, surged to the lead nearing the stretch and opened a clear advantage before strolling under the wire 1 1/4 lengths in front. Elko County (**Gun Runner**) just edged Il Siciliano (Yoshida {Jpn}), who had stumbled badly at the break, for second.

Protective was a \$250,000 KEESEP yearling. He has a weanling half-brother by Into Mischief. Grace Hall, winner of the 2011 GI Spinaway Stakes, was bred back to **Not This Time** this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** Lifetime Record: MGSP, 7-1-2-2, \$236,920. O-Repole Stable; B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY); T-T Pletcher.

Broken & Trained by **KARL KEEGAN, LUCAN BLOODSTOCK**

LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE



Protective | Sarah Andrew

6th-Saratoga, \$90,000, (S), Msw, 8-21, 2yo, f, 1m (off turf), 1:40.53, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

PLAYFUL LASS (f, 2, Mitole--Choice Play {SP, \$193,204}, by Vindication) was runner-up over a sloppy track in her off-turf debut over this same track and trip July 31. Once again missing out on a turf appearance, the 3-1 shot was quick out of the gate before settling back off the pace. She rolled up three wide into the lane, surged to a clear lead in upper stretch and powered home to win by five lengths to give trainer Mike Maker his third winner on the afternoon. A \$45,000 KEENOV weanling, Playful Lass sold for \$80,000 at this year's Fasig-Tipton Midlantic May sale. Choice Play, who was purchased with the winner in utero for \$15,000 at the 2022 Keeneland January sale, sold in foal to Redesdale for \$1,000 at that same year's Fasig-Tipton December Digital sale. She produced a filly by Adams Circle this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$67,500.

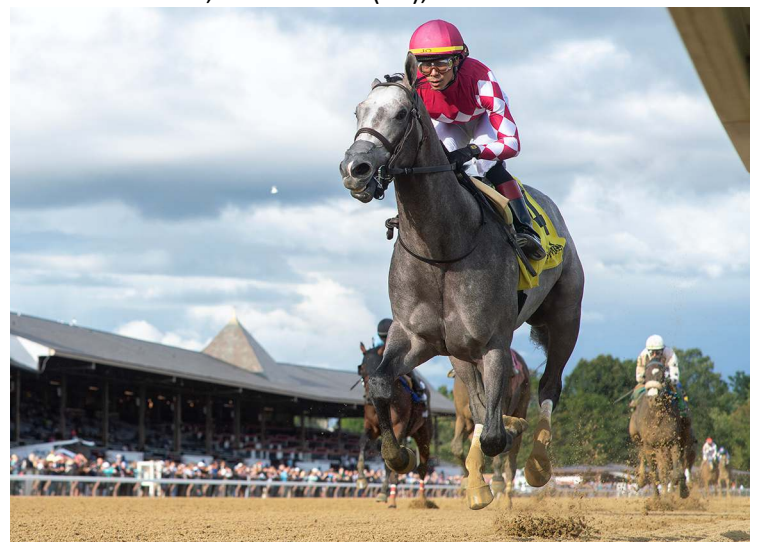
O-Three Diamonds Farm; B-Lannister Holdings (NY); T-Michael J. Maker.



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9th-Saratoga, \$80,000, Msw, 8-21, 2yo, 1m (off turf), 1:39.37, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.

SWEET FANTASY (c, 2, Cross Traffic--Sweet Jackie Jo, by Stormy Atlantic), eighth sprinting five furlongs at Churchill in his May 9 unveiling, was fifth going 5 1/2 furlongs in Louisville June 22. Moved to the turf for his third start, the gray colt overcame a troubled trip to be third going 5 1/2 furlongs at Ellis Park July 14. Back on the main track and stretching out in this off-turf event, the 5-2 shot zipped out to the early lead, took the field through fractions of :24.45 and :47.88. He skipped further clear approaching the stretch and strolled down the lane a 5 1/4-length winner. Salvation (Palace Malice) was second. Sweet Fantasy is the eighth 2-year-old winner of the Saratoga meeting for trainer Mark Casse. A \$30,000 OBS Winter yearling, the winner is a half-brother to Atchata (Apriority), SW, \$146,480; Actif Storm (Interactif), SW, \$117,285; and to Nurse Goodnight (Fire Slam). **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$51,242. O-D. J. Stable LLC; B-4 M Ranch (AR); T-Mark E. Casse.



Sweet Fantasy | Sarah Andrew

2nd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw, 8-21, 2yo, 7 1/2ft, 1:29.64, fm, 3 3/4 lengths.

THE COUNT IS ON (c, 2, Kantharos--Countess Curlin {SW}, by Curlin) began his career with a pair of runner-up efforts in off-turf special weights at this track, first going five furlongs July 6 and most recently going one mile Aug. 1. Finally finding himself on the lawn, the 3-1 shot rushed up from his outer post to sit just behind longshot pacesetter El Oso (Free Drop Billy). He reeled in the pacesetter nearing the lane, took over in upper stretch and spurred clear in the final furlong to win by 3 3/4 lengths. El Oso held on for second. The Count Is On was a \$10,000 OBS Winter yearling and RNA'd for \$42,000 at this year's OBS March sale. He has a yearling half-sister by **Violence**. **Click for Equibase.com chart.** Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$32,000. O-Twin Oaks Stable; B-G Gagliardi, K Nielsen, & Maharg Mang. Inc. (FL); T-Jimmy Corrigan.

**IN MAINLAND CHINA:**

Mei Guo Lao, c, 3, **Yoshida (Jpn)**--Langtry, by **Street Sense**.

Yulong, 8-17, 1800m, 1:55.83. RMB 100,000. O-Heli Horse Industry. B-Gary Broad (KY). *\$72,000 yrl '22 KEESEP.

**FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, AUGUST 22**

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$50,000

160 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Saratoga, 4:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Authenticate Now, 6-1
\$115,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$45,000 OBS APR 2yo

Bobby's Wicked One (Speightstown), Aztec Equine

25 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Colonial Downs, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Show' Em Nola, 15-1

Event Driven (**Medaglia d'Oro**), R.C. Cline Thoroughbred Farm

6 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Thistledown, 1:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Perfect Date, 5-2

Game Winner (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), Lane's End Farm, \$20,000

118 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Saratoga, 4:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Margo's Margarita, 15-1
\$15,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Global Campaign (**Curlin**), WinStar Farm, \$12,500

123 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Aeonian, 10-1
\$42,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$20,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Honest Mischief (Into Mischief), Sequel New York

72 foals of racing age/1 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Princess Mischief, 20-1
\$55,000 EAS MAY 2yo
1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Stone Smuggler, 6-1
\$19,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$57,000 SAR AUG yrl

Honor A. P. (Honor Code), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000

80 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, America's Honor, 5-1
\$55,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$52,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$35,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Improbable (City Zip), WinStar Farm, \$15,000

128 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Colonial Downs, 2:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Probale Ten, 15-1
\$37,000 KEE SEP yrl
6-Saratoga, 4:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Someone, 5-1
\$13,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$20,000 OBS APR 2yo
6-Saratoga, 4:02 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Teca, 9-2
\$15,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$30,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

King for a Day (**Uncle Mo**), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$5,000

43 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Frankie Hiccups, 20-1
\$10,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$25,000 SAR AUG yrl

McKinzie (**Street Sense**), Gainesway Farm, \$30,000

170 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Swiftlet, 8-1
\$65,000 FTK JUL yrl

Speightsong (Speightstown), Midwest Equine & Veterinary Hospital

13 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Logical Song, 10-1

Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000

124 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners
3-Colonial Downs, 2:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Brave Words, 10-1
\$45,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$70,000 OBS APR 2yo

Tiz the Law (**Constitution**), Coolmore Ashford, \$20,000

98 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Colonial Downs, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Caprichosainfront, 30-1
\$22,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$55,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Tom's d'Etat (Smart Strike), WinStar Farm, \$7,500

79 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Hawthorne, 3:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Reimagine, 4-1
\$70,000 KEE SEP yrl
5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Tom's Gold, 8-1

\$5,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$24,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl; \$13,000 EAS MAY 2yo
 5-Delaware, 2:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 1mT, Zimri, 8-1
 \$9,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$18,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$14,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
 162 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner
 1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Five G, 6-1
 1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Vehemente, 6-1
 \$40,000 FTN MIX wnl

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000
 124 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 4-Thistledown, 2:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Life's One, 9-5
 \$14,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$19,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo; \$4,000 OBS OPN 2yo

War of Will (War Front), Claiborne Farm, \$25,000
 113 foals of racing age/7 winners/0 black-type winners
 1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Willful Mama, 10-1

Win Win Win (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Ocala Stud, \$5,000
 54 foals of racing age/5 winners/2 black-type winners
 1-Colonial Downs, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Ca Bam, 8-1
 1-Colonial Downs, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Souper Upgrade, 9-2

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
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Charming Kitten (Kitten's Joy), Breakway Farm
 26 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
 9-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 6:18 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Charming for Sure, 9-2

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500
 54 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners
 5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Copper Chrome, 10-1
 \$17,000 IND MIX yrl

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000
 200 foals of racing age/53 winners/6 black-type winners
 1-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 2:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Tap Tap Tap It In, 7-2
 \$9,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
 295 foals of racing age/78 winners/6 black-type winners
 1-Colonial Downs, 1:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Youmakemecharlie, 4-1
 \$95,000 KEE SEP yrl

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$40,000
 291 foals of racing age/55 winners/6 black-type winners
 1-Hawthorne, 3:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Omaha Stamp, 8-1
 \$17,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$26,000 OBS APR 2yo; \$25,000 OBS OPN 2yo
 1-Saratoga, 1:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, With the Angels, 6-1
 \$65,000 SAR AUG yrl; \$350,000 OBS APR 2yo

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$5,000
 129 foals of racing age/39 winners/1 black-type winner
 4-Thistledown, 2:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Secret Trouble, 3-1
 \$3,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$4,500 OBS OPN 2yo



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STAKES RESULTS:

PEONY H., \$100,000, Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-21, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:40.96, fm.
 1--**SAND AND SEA, 127, m, 6, Liam's Map--Hard Mystery (SW, \$179,833), by Hard Spun.** (\$110,000 Wlg '18 FTKNOV; \$180,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-James S. Karp; B-Dennis Farkas (IN); T-Riley Mott; J-Axel Concepcion. \$55,800. Lifetime Record: 22-7-3-4, \$379,043.

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2--**Louder Than Words, 127, m, 5, Mr Speaker--Lionontheedge,** by American Lion. (\$4,700 Ylg '20 INDMIX). O-Granitz, Anthony J., Wern, Michael J. and Dhondt, Bob; B-Pat Doran & Dennis Doran (IN); T-Anthony J. Granitz. \$18,600.
 3--**Bluelightspecial, 127, f, 4, Super Saver--Maddy's Way,** by Bellamy Road. (\$34,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTKOCT; \$22,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-Contreras Stable Inc. and Knapczyk, Andrew; B-H. Allen Poindexter (IN); T-Cipriano Contreras. \$10,230.

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Margins: 1 3/4, 3HF, HD. Odds: 0.60, 3.70, 17.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Saratoga, \$95,000, (S), 8-21, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (off turf), 1:04.53, ft, neck.

BIG PRANKSTER (c, 3, Practical Joke--Big Thrill, by Big Drama) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$137,030. O-Reeves Thoroughbred Racing & Steven Rocco; B-Annemarie Toomey (NY); T-Christophe Clement. *\$70,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG; \$230,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

8th-Parx Racing, \$57,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.68, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

MUST BE LOVE (g, 5, Paynter--Some Kinda Love, by Not For Love) Lifetime Record: 30-5-6-4, \$189,652. O-Troy Johnson, Charles Lo & Jagger, Inc.; B-Charles McGinnes (MD); T-Jamie Ness. *\$4,000 Ylg '20 EASOCT. **1/2 to Canoodle (Algorithms), SP, \$235,182.

5th-Delaware, \$47,525, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$17,500), 8-21, 3yo/up, 5fT, :57.97, gd, neck.

DALINAR (g, 3, Uncle Lino--Flirt Alert, by Deputy Storm) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-2, \$90,814. O/B-Teresa L. Beste (MD); T-Lynn A. Ashby.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, \$40,290, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 8-21, 3yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:40.07, ft, nose.

TWILIGHT DANCER (g, 3, Tapiture--Moonlight Basin {SP, \$180,291}, by Eurosilver) Lifetime Record: SW, 12-5-3-1, \$220,200. O/B-Warrior's Reward LLC (PA); T-Tim Girten.

8th-Thistledown, \$40,100, (S), 8-21, (NW4L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.00, ft, 1/2 length.

EKATI'S WAY (g, 3, Tale of Ekati--Sharon's Way, by Proud Citizen) Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-1, \$104,074. O-Robert Cline, William Stapleton, Richard Wilkerson & Robert Lucas; B-Richard Wilkinson (OH); T-Robert C. Cline. *\$30,000 Ylg '22 OTBOMX. **1/2 to Thedayofthegrey (Twinspired), MSW, \$241,081.

5th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$38,000, (S), 8-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.88, fm, 1 3/4 lengths.

SI CERTO (f, 3, Mineshaft--Pure Confidence, by Pure Prize) Lifetime Record: MSP, 8-2-1-3, \$79,327. O/B-Burger Racing Stables (IN); T-Robert E. Dobbs, Jr.

6th-Belterra, \$26,100, (S), 8-21, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.47, ft, 9 lengths.

FANCIFUL (f, 3, Always Dreaming--Fancy Feelin {SP}, by Jimmy Creed) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$50,720. O-Four Pillars Holdings, LLC and Caraway Racing, LLC; B-Daniel J. & Patricia J. Yates & Always Dreaming Syndicate (OH); T-Caio Caramori. *\$13,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP.

8th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$34,000, 8-20, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.45, fm, 1/2 length.

GO BALI GO (g, 5, Bal a Bali {Brz}--Sally's Dream {MSP, \$498,766}, by Utopia {Jpn}) Lifetime Record: 22-2-0-4, \$118,503. O-Charles Allen, Craig Minten & Pacific Rein Racing; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Jonathan Nance. *\$1,500 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

3rd-Thistledown, \$29,700, 8-21, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.06, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

MANAGING MISCHIEF (f, 3, Maximus Mischief--Enchanting Essence, by Midshipman) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-3-1-2, \$83,134. O-America's Thoroughbred Investors; B-John R. Penn (KY); T-Timothy E. Hamm. *\$160,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$115,000 2yo '23 FTDOCT.



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6th-Assiniboia Downs, C\$24,020, 8-20, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.27, ft, nose.

RUNTODAY (g, 4, Runhappy--Artistic Life, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: MSP, 25-7-7-3, \$144,254. O-Murry Clearsky; B-Edwin Anthony (KY); T-William Tourangeau. *\$30,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.

4th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$23,086, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$6,500), 8-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.76, ft, 1 length.

O K SMARTY PANTS (m, 5, Smarty Jones--Over You, by Overanalyze) Lifetime Record: MSP, 13-4-4-2, \$113,737. O/B/T-Michael E Sterling (WV).

7th-Louisiana Downs, \$22,550, 8-20, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:31.35, fm, 1/2 length.

BERLAINE (f, 3, Congrats--Cash Return, by Proud Citizen) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-2, \$76,149. O-Alexis Claire Racing Services, LLC; B-Klein Racing (KY); T-Alexis Claire.

6th-Fort Erie, C\$20,808, 8-20, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45.91, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

T'PRING (m, 5, Reload--Dicey Girl {MSP, \$244,426}, by Yonaguska) Lifetime Record: 34-2-9-2, \$85,917. O/T-K Clemmer; B-Bay Ridge Orchards (ON). *C\$51,000 RNA Ylg '20 CANSEP. **1/2 to Safe to Say (Justin Phillip), SW & GSP, \$224,553.

7th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$20,352, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 8-20, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.07, ft, 1 length.

YO VINNIE (g, 4, Creative Cause--Yolo Lady {SW & MGISP, \$349,240}, by Eastern Echo) Lifetime Record: 12-5-0-2, \$75,302. O/B-Huntertown Farm LLC (KY); T-Jeff C. Runco. *Full to Theonewewaitedfor, SW, \$118,680.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Wedding March, f, 2, **Mendelssohn**--U S S Lexington, by **War Front**. Louisiana Downs, 8-21, 5fT, :58.31. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,400. B-Russell Welch (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER.

Purring, f, 3, **Kitten's Joy**--Forever Popular (SW-Eng), by Dynaformer. Delaware, 8-21, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:46.11. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$31,950. B-M. Roy Jackson (KY). *\$20,000 3yo '24 FTDMAR.

Ms. Debbie Alan, f, 3, **Malibu Moon**--Mrs. Debbie M (MSP), by War Chant. Belterra, 8-21, (S), 6f, 1:14.42. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$19,387. B-Susan King (OH).

My Carmelita, f, 4, **Big Atlantic**--My Margarita, by Tizdejavu. Belterra, 8-21, (S), 6f, 1:16.06. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$21,054. B-Sandra D. Williams (OH).

Dream On Stormy, f, 4, **Get Stormy**--Lu Baton, by Roar. Horseshoe Indianapolis, 8-21, 5fT, :55.87. Lifetime Record: 11-1-0-0, \$32,580. B-Pope McLean, Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr. (KY). *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP.

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Always Dreaming, Fanciful, f, 3, o/o Fancy Feelin, by Jimmy Creed. ALW, 8-21, Belterra

Bal a Bali (Brz), Go Bali Go, g, 5, o/o Sally's Dream, by Utopia (Jpn). ALW, 8-20, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Big Atlantic, My Carmelita, f, 4, o/o My Margarita, by Tizdejavu. MSW, 8-21, Belterra

Caravaggio, The Grey Wizard (Ire), g, 5, o/o Fancy (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). Cape Henlopen S., 8-21, Delaware

Congrats, Berlainne, f, 3, o/o Cash Return, by Proud Citizen. ALW, 8-20, Louisiana Downs

Creative Cause, Yo Vinnie, g, 4, o/o Yolo Lady, by Eastern Echo. AOC, 8-20, Mountaineer

Cross Traffic, Sweet Fantasy, c, 2, o/o Sweet Jackie Jo, by Stormy Atlantic. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga

Dominus, Demolisher, g, 3, o/o Maggie Sue, by Magna Graduate. **Buccherio** H., 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Get Stormy, Dream On Stormy, f, 4, o/o Lu Baton, by Roar. MSW, 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Honest Mischief, Sacrosanct, c, 2, o/o Vibrato, by Unbridled's Song. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga

Kantharos, The Count Is On, c, 2, o/o Countess **Curlin**, by **Curlin**. MSW, 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Kitten's Joy, Purring, f, 3, o/o Forever Popular, by Dynaformer. MCL, 8-21, Delaware

Liam's Map, Sand and Sea, m, 6, o/o Hard Mystery, by **Hard Spun**. Peony H., 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Malibu Moon, Ms. Debbie Alan, f, 3, o/o Mrs. Debbie M, by War Chant. MSW, 8-21, Belterra

Maximus Mischief, Managing Mischief, f, 3, o/o Enchanting Essence, by **Midshipman**. ALW, 8-21, Thistledown

Medaglia d'Oro, Protective, c, 3, o/o Grace Hall, by Empire Maker. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga

Mendelssohn, Wedding March, f, 2, o/o U S S Lexington, by **War Front**. MSW, 8-21, Louisiana Downs

Mineshaft, Si Certo, f, 3, o/o Pure Confidence, by Pure Prize. ALW, 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Mitole, Playful Lass, f, 2, o/o Choice Play, by Vindication. MSW, 8-21, Saratoga



Playful Lass | Sarah Andrew

Paynter, Must Be Love, g, 5, o/o Some Kinda Love, by Not For Love. AOC, 8-21, Parx Racing

Practical Joke, Big Prankster, c, 3, o/o Big Thrill, by Big Drama. ALW, 8-21, Saratoga

Reload, T'pring, m, 5, o/o Dicey Girl, by Yonaguska. ALW, 8-20, Fort Erie

Runhappy, Runtoday, g, 4, o/o Artistic Life, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 8-20, Assiniboia

Smarty Jones, O K Smarty Pants, m, 5, o/o Over You, by Overanalyze. AOC, 8-20, Mountaineer

Tale of Ekati, Ekati's Way, g, 3, o/o Sharon's Way, by Proud Citizen. ALW, 8-21, Thistledown

Tapiture, Twilight Dancer, g, 3, o/o Moonlight Basin, by Eurosilver. AOC, 8-21, Presque Isle Downs

Uncle Lino, Dalinar, g, 3, o/o Flirt Alert, by Deputy Storm. AOC, 8-21, Delaware

Vino Rosso, Large Pour, g, 2, o/o Missbigtimes, by Flatter. ALW, 8-21, Horseshoe Indianapolis

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