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WITH THREE NEWCOMERS, SPENDTHRIFT GEARING UP FOR ANOTHER BUSY **BREEDING SEASON**



Three-time Grade I winner National Treasure is one of three new recruits at Spendthrift for 2025. Click here for our visit. Sara Gordon

by Katie Petrunyak

This past year marked a new record for Spendthrift Farm when they came just six short of covering 3,700 mares during an exceedingly busy breeding season. After adding three new recruits for 2025, they'll likely surpass that number next year with a growing roster of 29 stallions. It's the biggest sire lineup in Spendthrift's history since the farm was purchased by B. Wayne Hughes 20 years ago. Cont. p3

FOR TRICOLOUR, THE 42ND TIME WAS THE

CHARM by Bill Finley

Back in mid-October, trainer John Kirby claimed a horse named **Tricolour** (Hard Spun) at Parx out of a \$10,000 maiden claimer. Not everyone thought that was such a good idea.

"The first time we ran him, the guys on TVG said, 'Who in their right mind would claim a horse that was 0-39?" said Kirby, who is also the horse's owner.

The answer: a smart trainer.

Tricolour was on his way to becoming the sport's next Zippy Chippy (Compliance), who went winless in 100 career starts. Purchased for \$140,000 at the 2020 Keeneland September sale, Tricolour debuted in 2021 and had been with five different trainers before being claimed by Kirby. In career start 39, he finished second for trainer Phil Aristone before being claimed. In his first start for Kirby he was second in a maiden special weight race.

Kirby wasn't the least bit discouraged, noting that he won a five-way shake the day he claimed the 5-year-old.

"The reason why I wasn't discouraged is that while he was 0for-39, he had finished in the money more than 50 percent of the time," he said.

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THE STRADIVARIUS EFFECT

Emma Berry chats to Bjorn Nielsen, the owner/breeder of **Stradivarius (Ire)** (Sea The Stars {Ire}) whose first foals will visit sales rings beginning next week.



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Expressman (Liam's Map) is currently residing in Ben Massam's stall at New Vocations in Lexington, KY and is in training for his second career. Bred by Gainesway Thoroughbreds and Bridlewood Farm, Expressman is graded stakes placed with 9 starts during his racing career and was placed with New Vocations by St. Elias Stables. To make a donation to Ben's New Vocations stall, click here. | New Vocations

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Dornoch heads back to the stallion barn after inspection

Sara Gordon

With such a wide array of stallions, open house season is a busy time at Spendthrift. As the Keeneland November Sale transpired some 15 miles away, a steady stream of breeders swept through the gates at Spendthrift over the past two weeks.

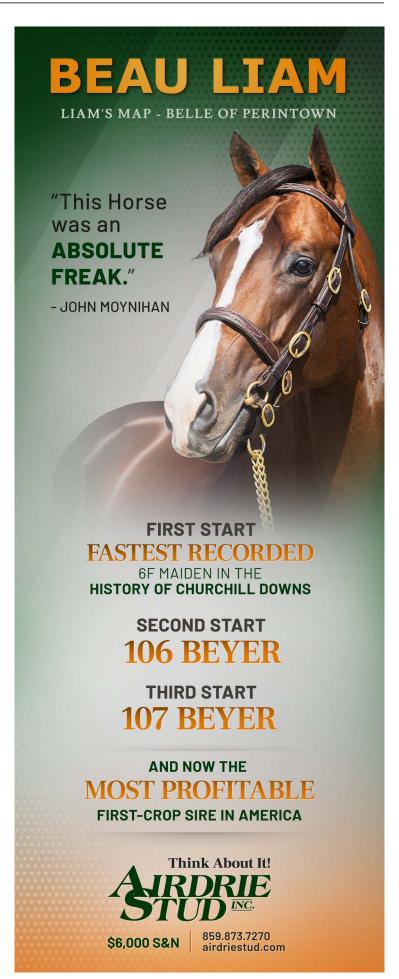
Popular requests included champion Into Mischief, who is leading the general sires list once again this year, the fast-starting stallion Vekoma, who is currently in a tight battle for leading first-crop sire, as well as the quartet of Arabian Lion, Forte, Taiba and Zandon, who will all see their first foals next year. But nearly all of the breeders in attendance were there to get a good look at Spendthrift's trio of new, Grade I-winning sires. Belmont Stakes hero Dornoch (Good Magic), Preakness Stakes winner National Treasure (Quality Road) and Stephen Foster Stakes victor Kingsbarns (Uncle Mo) took in all the activity in stride.

After inspecting the three sires, Kip Knelman of Farfellow Farms in Paris, Ky. said that their boutique operation will likely be sending mares to each of the three newcomers.

"Dornoch and Kingsbarns are both physically imposing," the breeder said. "They're different from one another, but both fantastic physically. We also like National Treasure. He is also just a beautiful horse. We expect big things from all three of them and we think there are good fits for all three of them with our mares."

Spendthrift's Mark Toothaker said that the new recruits' books are filling at lightning speed.

"The demand out here has been crazy and that's what you hope for," he explained. "Any time that you've got these new horses coming in, you hope that breeders are going to love them as much as you do. I guess the problem that we all have is that we have way more requests than we have actual spots, so that's



the tricky part, but we're so thrilled to be able to have them here and show them to our breeders."

One of the leaders of this year's class of incoming sires with a stud fee of \$40,000, Dornoch is nearly tied with his full-brother Mage as Good Magic's highest-earning performer.

After breaking his maiden by six and a half lengths at Keeneland last fall, Dornoch stepped up to graded company in the GII Remsen Stakes, where he battled future Breeders' Cup Classic winner Sierra Leone (Gun Runner) and came out with the win by a nose.

"This horse was very game all the way through his 2-year-old year," said Toothaker. "His race in the Remsen was amazing with the tenacity he showed to be able to come back and beat Sierra Leone. It put him on our radar that this is a horse with guts and a big pedigree to go along with it."

This summer, Spendthrift announced that Dornoch would eventually stand at Spendthrift after he had collected Grade I wins in the Belmont, where he handed trainer Danny Gargan his first Classic win and defeated both of the other Classic winners, Mystik Dan (Goldencents) and Seize the Grey (Arrogate), and then the Haskell Stakes. After a fourth-place finish in the GI Travers, Dornoch was forced to miss the Breeders' Cup Classic when he was diagnosed with bone bruising.

Along with West Paces Racing, Belmar Racing and Breeding,

Two Eight Racing and Pine Racing Stables, Dornoch's ownership group included Randy Hill's R.A. Hill Stable, which also co-campaigned dual Grade I winner Vekoma before he retired to Spendthrift in 2021.

"We kind of had an inside tract with Randy and so we were able to get a deal done after the Belmont," said Toothaker. "He would come back a month later to win the Haskell in a very game fashion so that added another Grade I to his resume, along with winning Grade II races in the Fountain of Youth and the Remsen."

Mallory Mort, the longtime manager of Marlene Brody's Gallager Stud in Ghent, New York, was in Lexington for the breeding stock sales last week and made the trip to Spendthrift to visit the newcomers. He said that he was impressed by what he saw in Dornoch.

"He's a good-sized boy," he said. "He moves out nicely and he's correct up front and behind. Sometimes with these racehorses, especially the big ones, they don't have a huge amount of muscle definition behind, but he's got plenty of engine back there so I was really impressed with him.

National Treasure, who will also stand for a fee of \$40,000 in 2025, was another physical standout according to Mort.

"He looks very much like a Quality Road," he noted. "A longbodied horse with a nice, short back and short cannon bones for



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a good-sized horse. He's very attractive and balanced. I liked him very much as well."

A \$500,000 yearling bred by Peter Blum, National Treasure broke his maiden on debut before earning Grade I placings at two in the American Pharoah Stakes and the Breeders' Cup Juvenile. The Bob Baffert trainee scored a breakout victory the following season in the Preakness, where he defeated Kentucky Derby winner Mage and became Quality Road's only Classic



Kingsbarns strikes a pose for breeders | Sara Gordon

winner.

Toothaker said that the Spendthrift scouting team visited National Treasure and Arabian Lion at Baffert's barn at Pimlico the following morning.

"We were able to work out a deal on both of those horses," he said. "We brought Arabian Lion in last year and then National Treasure got to run for another year, which was a lot of fun. He just got beat by champion Cody's Wish by a head in the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile last year. He would go on this year to win the GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream and the Met Mile, which was a very exciting race, and he ran a super race in the GI California Crown."

After a runner-up performance in the inaugural California Crown, National Treasure retired with earnings of over \$5.5 million. He raced strictly in Grade I company since the spring of his 3-year-old season and finished in the money in 9 of his fifteen career starts.

Rounding out the newcomers at Spendthrift, Kingsbarns will stand for \$20,000 next year. He will join Yaupon, whose first yearlings averaged over \$165,000 this year, and Mo Donegal, whose first yearlings will be on offer next year, as sons of Uncle Mo on the Spendthrift roster.

Toothaker said that Kingsbarns stands out as a rare 2-year-old purchase for Spendthrift. After the colt worked a quarter in 20.3



at the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream Sale, Spendthrift went to \$800,000 for the son of graded stakes-placed Lady Tapit (Tapit), a half-sister to Grade I victress Gozzip Girl (Dynaformer).

Trained by Todd Pletcher, Kingsbarns won his first three career starts at three, culminating with a decisive score in the GII Louisiana Derby. As a 4-year-old, he won the GIII Ben Ali Stakes, ran second to Pyrenees (Into Mischief) in the GIII Pimlico Special Stakes, and then defeated that same rival in the Stephen Foster. Kingsbarns was a top contender in the older male dirt division going into the Breeders' Cup Classic, but retired to Spendthrift after developing a ligament injury during training.

"He's a beautiful horse and he's a fast horse that could carry his speed," said Toothaker. "We've brought him in here for \$20,000 and we're very excited for the breeders to come see him. He's been very well received."

Along with welcoming the new recruits at Spendthrift, Toothaker said that the farm has a lot more to look forward to in 2025.

"We have 29 horses that are all here for great reasons," he said. "We look forward to seeing where the season goes and what pops up out there in 2025. Maybe Authentic will have a horse on the Derby trail like Vekoma has [in GIII Iroquois Stakes victor Jonathan's Way]. Thousand Words has a very good filly in [Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies runner-up] Vodka With a Twist, so we'll see what happens. Hopefully we'll have something in the Oaks and the Derby that will give us some things to really look forward to for the spring of 2025."

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"When I claimed him he had earned something like \$132,000 without ever having won a race. And I claimed him for myself. I figured that if he would pick up a check half the times I led him over there that would be fine. I also liked his pedigree, Hard Spun and Empire Maker on the dam's side. He was hitting the board going long, going short, on dirt, on turf, on synthetic. He was very versatile."

He just wasn't winning, but Tricolour kept knocking on the door. On Tuesday, that door finally opened. In his 42nd career start, he won a one-mile maiden special weight race at Parx, earning \$30,000. Remarkably, the losing streak didn't discourage the betting public. He was sent off at even-money.

Tricolour finished seventh in his career debut, a 2021 maiden special weight race at Delta Downs for owner Donegal Racing and trainer Dane Noel. He was claimed out of his third lifetime start by Joe Sharp, who had him for four races.

"What attracted us to the horse was he was the kind of horse that would always make a run," Sharp said. "He was one of those horses who always seemed to be coming at the end, but just



Tricolour | *Equi-Photo*

couldn't quite get there. As long as they have a willingness to run it's not so frustrating. It can be tough when they aren't able to win, but as long as they have a willingness to try and put forth the effort you're ok. It's nice to have a horse like that at any level. I'm not surprised that he won. I was more surprised to learn he was still running all this time and hadn't won yet. I remember being a fan of Zippy Chippy as a kid when I was in high school. He was always a horse you pulled for to win once you knew his story."

The barns would change but not the story. In his first 41 career starts he ran second 14 times and third nine times.

Prior to coming into the Kirby barn, he had also been trained by Kenny Miller and Steven Krebs. Kirby claimed the horse off of Aristone. Then something just clicked. He ran a career-best Beyer figure of 71 in his final start for Aristone and then a 72 in his first start for Kirby. He ran a new career-best number Monday in the victory when earning a 77.

"I had hopes for him," Kirby said. "Once we got him back to our barn you could tell he had some class to him. Almost every day leading up to that first race we ran him in we thought we'd try some different things with him. Training him different ways, training with different equipment."

He also discovered a breathing issue.

"The first time we ran him we had Paco Lopez on him and he said that he ran good and that he really liked the horse," Kirby said. "I have a good rapport with Paco. He's pretty spot on so far as what he tells me after a race. He said there was one problem, that he heard a little noise in his breathing. We scoped him and he was full of mucous. It was like a three on a scale of five. We put him on antibiotics, cleared that up and then just took it easy coming into his next race."

Tricolour has made \$40,000 in his two starts for Kirby, more than justifying the \$10,000 claim. And it's not out of the

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question that he could begin a winning streak. For whatever reason, in start 39 and late into his 5-year-old campaign he was a new horse and he has maintained that form ever since. There are plenty of conditions at Parx for horses who have won just one race. There are also options in the starter allowance category for a horse that started recently for \$10,000.

"Now that he's over the hump I think I can win a few more with him," Kirby said.

His career earnings now stand at \$172,216, not bad for a horse that had been a chronic loser, the horse they told John Kirby he never should have claimed.

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AFTER TRACK WOES DELAY MEET, TURF PARADISE'S FIRST WEEK OF RACING REPORTED AS SAFE

by T.D. Thornton

After a nine-day delay to fix safety concerns that pushed back the opening of the 2024-25 racing season at Turf Paradise from Nov. 2 to Nov. 11, horsemen, jockeys, regulators and track management were all largely in concurrence Friday that the first four days of racing at the Arizona track this past Monday through Thursday were conducted in safe and sustainable



Turf Paradise Derby | Coady Photography

fashion.

The largely positive reviews and glowing articulations of cooperation at the Nov. 15 Arizona Racing Commission (AZRC) meeting stood out in contrast to the contention and infighting that had become routine at commission meetings since the start of the 2020s decade.

Recent disputes often pitted horsemen against track management over issues having to do with everything from



purses, race dates, simulcasting rights and track safety, all while the beleaguered Turf Paradise bounced through a years-long cycle of potential and scuttled sales to a series of buyers who eventually fell by the wayside, leaving longtime owner Jerry Simms still at the helm.

Simms, who often weighs in at commission meetings, was not a major participant during Friday's session. But his name came up often in terms of appreciation uttered by various stakeholders for his role in seeing Turf Paradise through its latest crisis, which was sparked by an Oct. 31 recommendation by the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) that Turf Paradise delay the start of its racing season because of problems with the dirt surface.

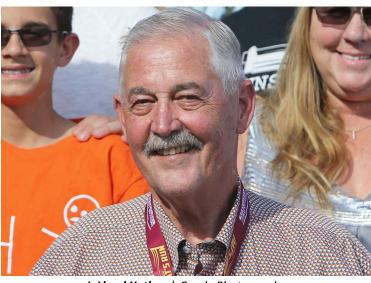
"It was quite some trying times," said Arizona Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (AZHBPA) president J. Lloyd Yother. "We had some issues with the track that we were late in opening the meet, but we worked through those and things seem to be running very well."

Last year, prior to the start of the 2023-24 season, the AZHBPA and the Jockeys' Guild had complained to state regulators that the main track rail was not up to spec even after HISA had issued a non-compliance warning to Turf Paradise and track management had made what it thought was adequate repairs. A HISA inspection in the spring of 2023 had turned up "numerous

gaps and exposed edges in the railing material that could inflict serious harm upon jockeys."

And then, just prior to the start of the current meet in the fall of 2024, four horses died at Turf Paradise. Two occurred as a while training prior to the meet's opening, according to Sue Gale, the Arizona Department of Gaming's chief veterinarian.

Gale said on Friday that Turf Paradise has had seven equine



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fatalities so far in 2024, dating back to the previous meet in the spring when two horses perished from illness and one from injury.

"Since that time, we've had two horses that had catastrophic limb injuries during training," Gale said. "We had one other horse have a traumatic episode flipping over. And then we had, just recently, a horse that suddenly died [in the stable area] that we're investigating. They're all being necropsied, and those reports are pending."

Over the first four days of racing, Gale said Turf Paradise took 340 entries. Of those, 33 horses were scratched (three pre-race unsound, three on the track as unsound or injured, and the remaining reasons being "stakes, stewards, illness, that sort of thing.")

Gale said no horses were vanned off Nov. 11-14, although one was reported unsound after racing. Six others, she added, are to be given follow-up exams by the commission's vet team. There was one injury during training.

Juan Estrada, the assistant director for the Arizona Department of Gaming, told the AZRC that track management, state officials, and HISA have all been making progress together to ensure the main track and the meet stays safe.

"We're going to continue to monitor, document and report anything that we see. Turf is steadily addressing some of the major concerns we have," Estrada said.

Darrell Haire, the western regional manager for The Jockeys' Guild, checked in with a brief report that amounted to a thumbs-up from riders.

"A lot of our concerns have been addressed, and [the fixes] are ongoing," Haire said.

Two issues did percolate to the surface as needing more attention, though: Backstretch security and the track's ailing fleet of four water trucks.

AZRC chair Kandace French Contreras said that over the past week, while monitoring safety work at Turf Paradise, she has walked into the backstretch area at least six times via the north stable gate without once being checked for a license, and she stated she was certain nobody who saw her coming or going knew she held a VIP position with the racing commission.

"There was no security, no staff, nobody that stopped me from even going through the gate and going into the backside, and that concerns me," French Contreras said. "Security goes a long way toward track safety, and I have concerns about somebody just being able to go into the backside without any questions."

In response, Turf Paradise general manager Vincent Francia told the commission he would be instructing his security team to address that issue.

French Contreras then asked Yother to speak about his concerns related to the water trucks, which were not a problem that Yother had mentioned when giving his report just minutes

"I personally am not satisfied with the water trucks," Yother said. "They're old water trucks. They've got issues [and] they break down quite often....They've got severe water leaks."

Francia told commissioners that he has mechanics working to fix the problems while he tries to buy, lease or borrow secondhand water trucks from other tracks. He added that he has a lead on equipment that Freehold Raceway in New Jersey won't be needing after that harness track's planned closure at the end of 2024.

As Yother put it, "The four that we have we're going to have to make do with. It's not ideal, but it keeps us in business."

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MARYLAND AUTHORITY APPROVES SIX DAYS AT PIMLICO DURING PREAKNESS **BEFORE REDEVELOPMENT PHASE BEGINS**



The Home of the Preakness | Horsephotos

The Maryland Thoroughbred Racetrack Operating Authority (MTROA) has approved the state's Thoroughbred racing calendar for 2025, which includes six days during the week of the 150th running of GI Preakness Stakes before the site is redeveloped, the authority said via a press release on Friday.

The first under new leadership and a refitted organizational structure, the MTROA's calendar includes 114 racing days at Laurel Park. Preakness week will constitute the final running at Pimlico prior to a forward-looking rebuild and redevelopment of the Park Heights property, which is intended to improve racing and boost community economic benefits. The calendar will also include seven racing days at the Maryland State Fairground in Timonium, Maryland.

Developed in coordination with the Maryland Thoroughbred

Horsemen's Association (MTHA) and the Maryland Breeders Association, the 2025 calendar has been streamlined from the prior year and is intended to create an enhanced Thoroughbred racing product.

"All stakeholders have come together to agree on a schedule that positions Thoroughbred racing for success and that recognizes the changes that are ahead," said MTROA Chairman Greg Cross. "Oars are pulling in the same direction for the best and most sustainable product for racing afficionados and the industry. This cooperation and coordination gives me tremendous hope for the future of our industry."

"This schedule not only ensures year-round access to high-quality racing opportunities for our horsemen in the region but also supports the successful launch of the new non-profit operating entity," said Katharine M. Voss, president of the Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association. "It reflects our unwavering commitment to forward-thinking in a rapidly evolving industry. Together with the MTROA and other industry stakeholders, we are excited to shape a vibrant future for Maryland racing--one that supports our state's horsemen, breeders, and entire racing community."

Under the 2025 calendar, racing will be suspended at Laurel Park in July and August, a period when Colonial Downs in Virginia will hold scheduled racing days.

"The Maryland Thoroughbred racing industry is developing a plan for Maryland breeder incentives to be offered when there is no live racing at Laurel, and the MTROA is supportive of that effort," Cross said.

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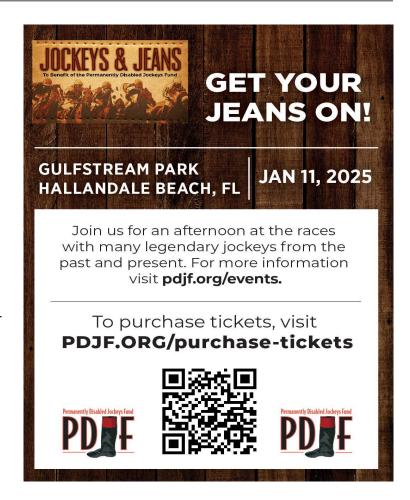
WHITE ABARRIO ENTERED TO RETURN NEXT FRIDAY AT GULFSTREAM PARK

White Abarrio (Race Day), winner of the 2023 GI Breeders' Cup Classic, is scheduled to return to action next Friday at Gulfstream Park.

The 5-year-old is entered in a seven-furlong optional claiming allowance, in which he is scheduled to make his first start since returning to trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr.'s stable.

White Abarrio was 10th in the G1 Saudi Cup Feb. 24 and fifth in the GI Metropolitan Handicap June 8 at Saratoga. He had previously won the 2023 GI Whitney Stakes and the Breeders' Cup Classic after being transferred from Joseph to Rick Dutrow, Jr. earlier in that year.

"Obviously, we're glad to have him back. He's a top-class horse--those are the kind of horses you want to train," Joseph said. "He's coming off a couple of disappointing runs, but hopefully, he'll rebound. When you come off those kind of runs, you're always a little bit reserved to have a strong opinion, but he seems to be working well enough. It's time to get him back



started. Hopefully, he'll get a win and go on to bigger things from here."

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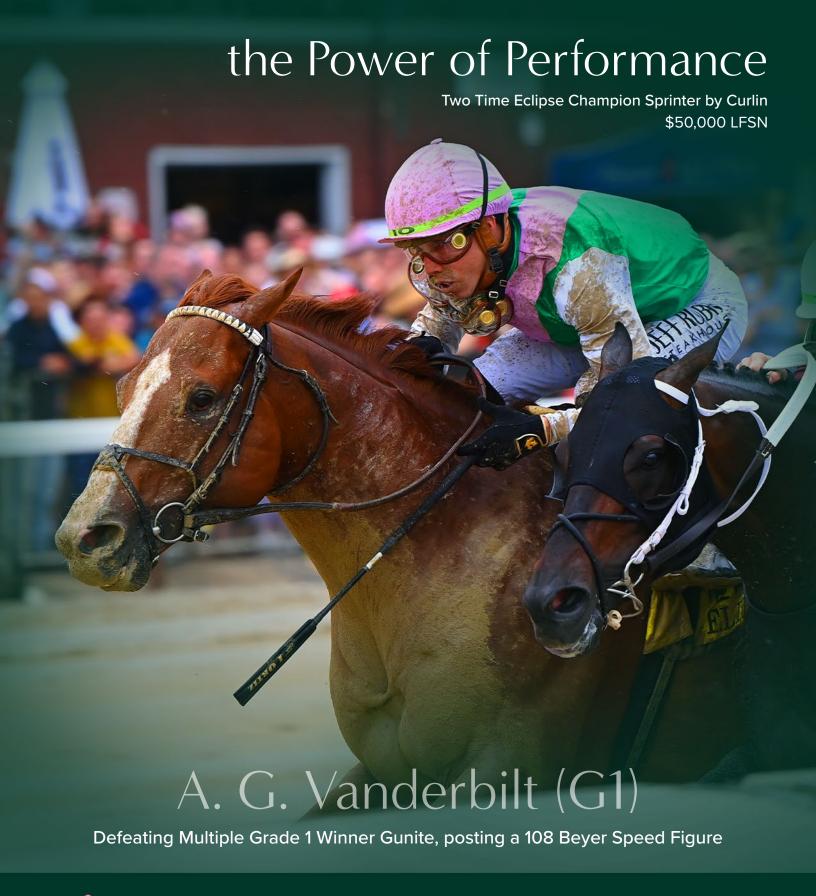


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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Woodbine #10, post time: 5:50 p.m. EST

HPIBET AUTUMN S.-GII, C\$175,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m (AWT)

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	1	Artie's Storm	We Miss Artie	Buttigieg Training Centre	Buttigieg	Moran	120		
	2	Tosen Wish (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Team Valor International	Casse	Civaci	121		
	3	Wicked Django	Wicked Strong	Ryan Brewster	Barrow	Nicholls	121		
	4	Sir London 🖛	Malibu Moon	Amo Racing USA	Motion	Murphy	121		
	5	Stanley House 🛷	Army Mule	John E. and Diana L. Russell	De Paulo	Campos	121		
	6	War Bomber (Ire) 🖛	War Front	Bruno Schickedanz	McKnight	Vives	120		
	7	Paramount Prince	Society's Chairman	Michael J. Langlois and Gary Barber	Casse	Husbands	125		
	8	Lac Macaza	Giant Gizmo	Goldie Stables & Discovery Racing	Carey	Aebly	122		
	9	Never Surprised 🖛	Constitution	Repole Stable	Attard	Adams	121		
	10	Bail Us Out	Lookin At Lucky	Repole Stable	Attard	Maragh	119		
	11	Dresden Row 🖛	Lord Nelson	True North Stable and Bloom Racing Stable	Richards	Munger	122		
	12	Forever Souper	American Pharoah	Live Oak Plantation	Trombetta	Hernandez	123		

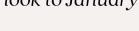
Breeders: 1-Sunrise Farm, 2-Takaya Shimakawa, 3-Denny Andrews & Niall Brennan, 4-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate, 5-Elevage II, LLC & St. Elias Stables, LLC, 6-Coolmore, 7-Ericka Nadine Rusnak, 8-Frank Mermenstein & Elliot Kohn, 9-Golden Pedigree LLC, 10-Hillcroft Farm, 11-TCR Ranch, 12-Live Oak Stud

Saturday, Woodbine #11, post time: 6:20 p.m. EST BET 365 KENNEDY ROAD S.-GII, C\$175,000, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Patches O'Houlihan	Reload	Frank D. Di Giulio, Jr.	Tiller	Vives	124
2	Flag Of Honour (Aus)	American Pharoah	Wanless, R.M. and Wanless, Mrs. J. M.	Carey	Civaci	123
3	Remuda	More Than Ready	Godolphin, LLC	Harty	Hernandez	120
4	Nobals	Noble Mission (GB)	Patricia's Hope LLC	Rivelli	Corrales	120
5	War Bomber (Ire) 🖛	War Front	Bruno Schickedanz	McKnight	Aebly	120
6	Armstrong	Mucho Macho Man	Michael Bellissimo	Drexler	Salles	120

Breeders: 1-Frank Di Giulio Jr., 2-Mr. G Harvey, 3-Godolphin, 4-Dr. John A. Chandler, 5-Coolmore, 6-Craig Cameron

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Sunday, Del Mar #8, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST BOB HOPE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 2vo, 7f

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT		
1	McKinzie Street 🛪	McKinzie	Leslie A. Amestoy, Pierre Jean Amestoy, Jr.,	Yakteen	Kimura	120		
			and Roger K. Beasley					
2	Dr Ruben M 🖛	Vino Rosso	The Del Mar Group	O'Neill	Maldonado	120		
3	Kalea Bay 🖛	Authentic	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC,	Baffert	Hernandez	120		
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Dianne Bashor, Determined Stables,					
			Robert E. Masterson, Tom J. Ryan, Waves Edge Capital	LLC				
			and Catherine Donovan					
4	Madaket Road	Quality Road	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC,	Baffert	Fresu	118		
			Dianne Bashor, Determined Stables, Robert E. Masterson,					
			Tom J. Ryan, Waves Edge Capital LLC and Catherine Donovan					
5	Bullard 🖛	Gun Runner	St. Elias Stable, Talla Racing LLC,	McCarthy	Rispoli	120		
			Three Chimneys Farm and West Point Thoroughbreds					
6	Maximus	Maximus Mischief	Ryan Ball, Cesar De Alba, Cary Devore,	DeAlba	Herrera	120		
			and Daniel Wells					

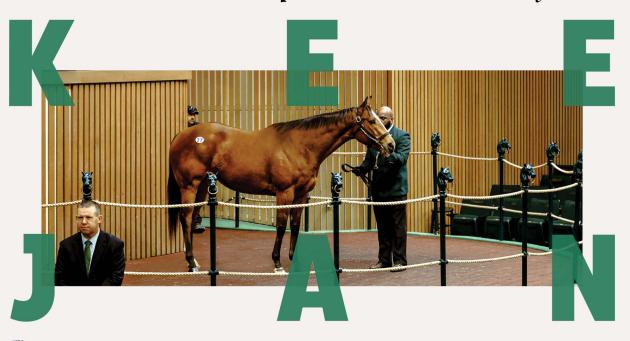
Breeders: 1-Clearsky Farms, 2-Malibu Farm, LLC, 3-Summer Wind Equine LLC, 4-SF Bloodstock LLC, 5-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC, 6-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson)



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Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 3:40 p.m. EST CENTRAL PARK S., \$150,000, 2yo, 1mT

HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT				
McDiesel	Twirling Candy	Werner J Stable, Dream Walkin Farms, Inc. and	Rodriguez	Silvera	120				
		Baccari Racing Stable LLC							
Sounds Like a Plan	Twirling Candy	Club Sixty Five Racing	De Paz	Santana, Jr.	120				
Fire Pit	Cairo Prince	Travin Stables	Preciado	Sanchez	122				
Jack and Jim	Slumber (GB)	Madaket Stables LLC	Motion	Franco	120				
Davy Crockett	Constitution	CHC INC., Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC	Clement	Rosario	120				
Not for Hire	Not This Time	Windylea Farm LLC	Weaver	Lezcano	120				
Manhattan Twist	Liam's Map	MyRacehorse and Reeves Thoroughbred Racing	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	120				
Smooth Breeze	More Than Ready	Joseph A. Hinkhouse	Abreu	Davis	120				
Early Adopter (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	120				
Super Swift	Vekoma	R. A. Hill Stable	Weaver	Velazquez	120				
Rock d'Oro	Bolt d'Oro	Amo Racing USA	Beckett	Castellano	118				
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Breeders: 1-EKQ Stables Corp., 2-Wildwood Farm, 3-Brereton C. Jones, 4-Madaket Stables, 5-WinStar Farm, LLC, 6-Windylea Farm - New York LLC, 7-Chesapeake Farm & W. S. Farish, 8-Joseph Hinkhouse, 9-Fittocks Stud & Arrow Farm & Stud, 10-R. A. Hill Stable, 11-Ruis Racing LLC

Saturday, Del Mar, post time: 4:00 p.m. EST

DESI ARNAZ S., \$100,000, 2yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tenma	Nyquist	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Berrios	124
2	Practical Dream	Practical Joke	Leslie A. & Pierre Jean Amestoy, Jr., and Roger K. Beasley	Yakteen	Fresu	120
3	Two Bar	Lookin At Lucky	Patti and Hal J. Earnhardt III	Baffert	Pereira	120
4	Silent Law	Tiz the Law	CSLR Racing Partners LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	122
5	Mawu	Blame	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Kimura	120

Breeders: 1-B Flay Thoroughbreds, 2-Gary Broad - Walmac Farm, LLC, 3-Mike G. Rutherford, 4-Newstead Corp, 5-Gary Broad - Walmac Farm, LLC

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JORTH AMERICAN RACING

TAMARA FALLS JUST SHORT IN GAME **COMEBACK EFFORT AT DEL MAR** by Alan Carasso



Sandy Bottom (right) gets just the better of Tamara after a long stretch duel | Benoit photo

A 3-year-old filly bred by Spendthrift Farm and sired by one of the nursery's top stallions gutted out the victory in Friday's seventh race at Del Mar.

That in itself was unremarkable and not unexpected, but the result was, as 21-5 third choice Sandy Bottom (Omaha Beach)-making her first start since running her record to two-for-two in the Anoakia Stakes some 390 days ago--was quickly into stride from the outside gate in a field of six and made every yard of the running to just hold an equally game effort from comebacking 'TDN Rising Star' Tamara (Bolt d'Oro--Beholder) in a race neither really deserved to lose.

Returning to the races for the first time since a fading seventh as the 4-5 chalk in last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, the 2023 GI Del Mar Debutante victress was off a half-step slowly from the inside gate beneath Mike Smith and was ridden along to remain relatively handy to the pace set by Umberto Rispoli and Sandy Bottom, who took them along through an opening quarter-mile in :22.14 as Tamara, off at 2-5, tugged her way into a share of third approaching the turn. Asked to come after the front-runner in earnest passing the five-sixteenths, Tamara was guided away from the rail and into the two path with every conceivable chance if good enough. Tamara came to tackle at the top of the lane, was a fraction late swapping her leads and ran hard through the wire, but fell just short. The final time was a crisp 1:10.06.

The winner was maintaining a perfect record from three runs, having graduated at first asking last Sept. 10, one day after Tamara took out the Debutante.

Spendthrift acquired Sandy Bottom's stakes-winning and Grade III-placed second dam Five Star Daydream (Five Star Day)--the dam of GSW Gas Station Sushi (Into Mischief)--for \$100,000 in foal to Macho Uno and Starlit Daydream is the only one of her dam's nine starters to have not won a race. The latter is the dam of a yearling colt by Cloud Computing, a weanling filly by Greatest Honour (Tapit) and is due to Omaha Beach for her 2025 produce.

7th-Del Mar, \$61,500, Alw (C), Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 11-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.06, ft, nose.

SANDY BOTTOM (f, 3, Omaha Beach--Starlit Daydream, by Can the Man) Sales history: \$145,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$140,622. Click for the Equibase.com chart and VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-James M & Donna Daniell; B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY); T-Michael W McCarthy.

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CHEERS! ROJO RITA IS VOLATILE'S NEWEST 'TDN RISING STAR' AT GULFSTREAM PARK

Rojo Rita (Volatile) gave her connections something to celebrate here as she cruised home the easiest of winners in this unveiling, and secured her nod as the newest 'TDN Rising Star' in the process.

An \$80,000 Keeneland September purchase in 2023, Rojo Rita has been working steadily at Palm Meadows before this debut, with her Nov. 1 five-furlong work over that main track in :59.35 being rated as the fastest of five on the morning. Cont.



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Rising Star, cont.

Her Nov. 8 four-panel breeze went in :48.25, and she was rated fourth fastest of 33. The works that day were led by '**TDN Rising Star**' Shisospicy (Mitole), who worked the bullet in :46.90.

Sent off here as the 7-5 second choice behind 6-5 favorite **Reputation** (Bolt d'Oro), Rojo Rita set the tempo through :22.19 and :46.40 early splits along the rail. Lingering on her left lead but giving her competition the slip, she had built up a sevenlength margin entering the stretch. Switching to the correct leg late but still in complete control to the wire, it was a long way back to **Snitch Dorada** (Maximus Mischief) in second, 16 1/4 lengths to be exact, as the favorite could only manage third.

Rojo Rita is her sire (by Violence)'s third 'TDN Rising Star'.

The victress is the most recent offspring to reach racing age for her dam, D'ya Knowwhatimean. From four foals to survive, all of them have gotten their picture taken with the eldest being Answer In (Dialed In), GSP, \$445,580, tus far the only one to earn black-type. The mare, herself three-times placed against stakes competition, most recently produced a yearling full-sister to Rojo Rita. She did not produce a foal this year after a visit to Olympiad and was sent to Dialed In for 2025.

This is the extended family of GSW Classy Edition (Classic Empire) and her half-sister MSW Newly Minted (Central Banker); GISP Golden Post; and GSW Miss Union Avenue, who in turn produced GII American Derby hero Union Avenue.

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6th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, Msw, 11-15, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.43, ft, 16 1/4 lengths.

ROJO RITA, f, 2, by Volatile

1st Dam: D'ya Knowwhatimean (MSP, \$125,520),

by Broken Vow

2nd Dam: Tamina, by Dixie Union 3rd Dam: Top Tip, by Lost Code

Sales history: \$80,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart and VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Click for the free Equineline.com catalog-style pedigree.

O-Kamil Ozhan; B-Glen Oak Farm & Two Stamps Stables (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr..

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NOV. 16 INSIGHTS: GATE APPOINTMENT FOR MADAME SECRETARY CONFIRMED AT

SEASIDE OVAL by J. N. Campbell



Madame Secretary (Hip 118) | Fasig-Tipton

7th-DMR, \$54K, Msw, 2yo, f, 5fT, 6:30 p.m. ET.

MADAME SECRETARY (Constitution) makes her first start for MyRacehorse and Brook Smith after she was purchased at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Yearling Sale for \$900,000 by Rocket Ship and Gandharvi. Sent to Richard Mandella, the filly is out of MSP Nina Fever (Borrego), who was taken home by Blandford Bloodstock for \$500,000 while Madame Secretary was in-utero. This dam produced GI Frizette Stakes heroine and \$3 million Fasig-Tipton Mixed Sale buy Nickname (Scat Daddy), who herself is responsible for Irish group stakes winner Ides of March (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}). Nina Fever claims current 3-year-old filly Citational (Into Mischief)--a \$1.35-million Keeneland September grad--and a yearling filly by Justify. The latter was purchased by Resolute Bloodstock for \$775,000 at this year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale.

Also confirmed for her unveiling is **American Privilege** (American Pharoah). Owned by C R K Stable and trained by John Shirreffs, the bay was bought by Mayberry Farm for \$525,000 during Keeneland's September Sale. The filly's dam, SW Ladies' Privilege (Harlan's Holiday)--a full-sister to MGSW Takeover Target--had her stock improve when her current 4-year-old colt More Than Looks (More Than Ready) captured the GI FanDuel Breeders' Cup Mile a few weeks ago at Del Mar. Ladies' Privilege foaled a colt by Gun Runner last year who was hammered down to Tomoyasu Sakaguchi for \$700,000 during Keeneland September. TJCIS PPS

Cont.

3rd-CD, \$120K, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:58 p.m. ET.

Homebred **Tears in Rain** (City of Light) debuts for Andrew Warren and trainer Rick Dutrow at Churchill Downs. The filly's dam is MGISW Balance (Thunder Gulch) whose half-sister is 2016 Hall of Fame entrant Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}). **TJCIS PPS**

7th-GP, \$65K, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 3:16 p.m. ET.

A \$700,000 pick at the OBS April Sale, **Commendatore** (Twirling Candy) is the first to the races for his unplaced dam Bite the Stars (Flatter). Her female family includes half-sisters MGSW Stanford (Malibu Moon) and SW Hedge Fund (Super Saver). **TJCIS PPS**

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ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

7th-Churchill Downs, \$124,570, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 11-15, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45.83, ft, head.

AMARTH (f, 2, McKinzie--Criminal Mischief {SP}, by Into **Mischief)** was well-beaten on debut under the Twin Spires Sept. 20. Serving as the chalk at Keeneland Oct. 18, the homebred donned cap and gown with a 2 1/2-length score. Stepping up in class, the 5-2 second choice here was hustled out of the blocks, skimmed the fence and squeezed through to run second behind the pacesetter into the first turn. The filly was under a tight hold as she bided her time up the backstretch with a trio fighting for the front. The dark bay launched her bid around the far turn and down the lane she found her best stride to take the lead at the sixteenth marker. In the final jumps, Bless the Broken (Laoban) gave her all she could handle, but the 2-year-old cleared the condition by a head. The winner's dam is responsible for a yearling colt by Charlatan and she foaled a full-brother Apr. 29. Hailing from an extended female family which includes venerable sire Distorted Humor (Forty Niner), Criminal Mischief visited Nashville for next term. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$131,588. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO,

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6th-Churchill Downs, \$123,249, Msw, 11-15, 2yo, f, 5f, :57.70, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

CARIBBEAN WIND (f, 2, Speightstown--Antillia, by Bernardini) led all but the final stride in her April Keeneland unveiling on the main track then took several months off and resurfaced again at Keeneland but on the grass and was never a factor in fifth Oct. 19. Back on the main track here, the 7-2 second choice again flashed early speed and dueled inside of Rational Theory (Practical Joke) through fractions of :22.52 and :45.57. Finally free of that rival into the stretch, Caribbean Wind kicked on for home to lead in 9-5 favorite Stay Classy (Promises Fulfilled) by 4 1/4 lengths. Insighted runner Desert Adventure (Hard Spun) was caught wide throughout and tired down the lane to wind up ninth. A \$385,000 FTSAUG grad, the winner has a weanling halfsister by City of Light while Antillia was covered by Gunite for 2025. Sales History: \$385,000 Ylg '23 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$86,937. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Breeze Easy LLC; B-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

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5th-Aqueduct, \$90,000, Msw, 11-15, 2yo, 6fT, 1:10.25, fm, head.

FLAT TO DA MAT (c, 2, Omaha Beach--Deadline {SP, \$113,888}, by Flat Out) finished eighth twice in two starts for trainer Juan Bernardini, Aug. 17 sprinting over the Saratoga main track and Sept. 14 going long on the grass at Belmont Big A, and was sent to the Mike Maker barn for this jump. Off at 16-1 odds as After Taxes (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) was sent off at 2-1, he didn't enjoy the smoothest of breaks but was able to track the front runner from the rear of the field. Advancing on the turn from three off the fence as After Taxes tried to take them all the way, Flat to Da Mat was green in the stretch but still managed to get over the top late and score by a head on the wire. The victor is the most recent to the races for Deadline and her second winner from as many on the ground. That mare has also produced a yearling filly by Good Magic. She aborted her 2024 Volatile offspring and was sent to Mitole for 2025. Sales history: \$80,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$50,700. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-JP Racing Stable and Wexford Racing; B-Jeff Kerber (KY); T-Michael J. Maker.

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3rd-Woodbine, C\$85,466, Msw, 11-15, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:24.05, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

RAFAROO (c, 3, Hard Spun--Light Green (SW & GISP, \$167,690), by Pleasantly Perfect) debuted as the runner-up over the all-weather in Toronto June 15. The colt was second to Canadian champion My Boy Prince (Cairo Prince) in the Plate Trial Stakes at the big price of 26-1 July 20, but was well-beaten in the King's Plate at Woodbine Aug. 23. Shipping to Keeneland to try and break his maiden, the dark bay finished just off the

board Oct. 17. Back in Canada and well-supported as the evenmoney shot here, Rafaroo broke alertly, but was content to settle behind a longshot up the backstretch. The 3-year-old saved ground along the rail around the far turn and entering the lane he was given his cue. Kicking into high gear, the colt graduated by 2 1/2 lengths over Lumberyard (Collected). The winner is a full-brother to Green Light Go, GSW & GISP, \$545,102. Light Green was purchased for \$80,000 by Woods Edge Farm during Keeneland November Sale while current unraced 2-year-old colt Spooky Speed (Ghostzapper) was inutero. That was her last registered offspring on record. Lifetime Record: SP, 5-1-2-0, \$79,016. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Stronach Stables and Joel B. Hunsburger; B-Adena Springs (ON); T-Harold Ladouceur.

7th-Woodbine, C\$76,538, Msw, 11-15, 2yo, 7f (AWT), 1:23.77, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

CHURCH AND STATE (g, 2, Caravaggio--Full Snow Moon {SP-Fr **}, by Vindication)** went off at 9-1 in this unveiling and left his backers sweating when he hesitated leaving the gate, finding himself 10th at earliest call. Improving positions along the rail, and then shifted out as he launched an eye-catching move at the quarter pole, he loomed the danger despite spinning into the stretch in the six path and was closing the gap quickly from the overland route. Taking control passing the furlong marker, he had 2 1/2 lengths on Special Session (Constitution) by the time they hit the wire. Church and State is a half-brother to La Berma (Ire) (Lawman {Fr}), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$138,886, who has produced a winner in France. In addition to that one, he has four other siblings to get a picture taken and is the most recent to the races for Full Snow Moon. That mare has not produced offspring since him and went to Vino Rosso for 2025. Sales history: \$15,000 Ylg '23 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,640. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Centennial Farms (Niagara) Inc.; B-DP Racing, LLC (KY); T-Dale A. Desruisseaux.

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6th-Del Mar, \$56,000, (S), Msw, 11-15, 2yo, 5fT, :58.45, fm, head.

TRIPLE DIAMONDS (g, 2, Sir Prancealot {Ire}--Florentine Diamond, by Smiling Tiger), away carrying 7-1 odds here, recovered well from early contact to settle just off the leading rivals as they swung into the turn. Challenging from the grandstand side, he refused to give Cullen J (Sir Prancealot {Ire}) peace passing the five-sixteenths and the race was on as they entered the top of the stretch. Cont.

Despite being floated out in the final furlong, Triple Diamonds gamely dug in and nailed that rival in a photo by a head. The victor is his dam's first to the races. He has a yearling half-brother by Mo Forza as well as a 2024 half-brother by Danzing Candy. Florentine Diamond went back to Mo Forza for 2025. Sales history: \$35,000 Ylg '23 FTCAYR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$32,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Saints or Sinners; B-Woodbridge Farm LLC & Paula Capestro (CA); T-Mark Glatt.



IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Moatazah, f, 2, Nyquist--Kauai Katie ('TDN Rising Star', MGSW & GISP, \$716,500), by Malibu Moon. King Abdulaziz, 11-15, Maiden, 1400m. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **\$95,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. VIDEO

Nermeen, f, 3, More Than Ready--Gone to Town, by Munnings. King Abdulaziz, 11-15, Hcp., 1800m. B-Nursery Place & Dicken Equine (KY). *\$110,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; €246,914 2yo '23 GOFDUB. VIDEO

DESERT DEBUTERS: COMPACT QUARTET LOOKS EVENLY MATCHED by Alan Carasso

In this series, we will have a look at American-bred first-time juvenile starters (through the end of 2024) and debuting 3-year-olds in maiden races at the tracks of the Emirates Racing Authority, with a specific focus on pedigree and/or performance in a sales ring. The flagship venue for racing in the United Arab Emirates is Meydan Racecourse, which will host racing predominantly on Fridays, with the exception of Super Saturday Mar. 1 and Dubai World Cup night Apr. 5, 2025. Here are the horses of interest for the Saturday card at all-dirt Jebel Ali:

3rd-JEB, AED60,000, NH2yo/SH3yo, 1200m (straight course) MATCHABLE (Omaha Beach) is one of two in the race for trainer Salem bin Ghadayer and has the inside barrier for this first go. Runner-up in an 800-meter trial at this venue on Nov. 6 (video), the May 11 foal is kin to two winners from four to race out of My Philly Girl (Empire Maker), also the dam of this year's GIII Chillingworth Stakes victress One Magic Philly (Good Magic) and SW My Philly Twirl (Hard Spun).



Matchable at this year's Arqana May Breeze-Up | Arqana photo

A \$115,000 Keeneland September yearling, Matchable was hammered down to Rabbah Bloodstock for €125,000 at this year's Arqana May Breeze-Up Sale (breeze). The deeper female family includes three-time G1 Dubai Turf hero Lord North (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}).

Stablemate **Gallant Blade (Maximum Security)** was fourth, a length behind Matchable in the Nov. 6 barrier trial. A \$110,000 KEENOV weanling turned \$230,000 OBS April breezer (video), the chestnut is out of a half-sister to champion MG1SW Japanese dirt horse Lemon Pop (Lemon Drop Kid), who swansongs in defense of his title in the G1 Champions Cup in early December. The Grade III-winning third dam Harpia (Danzig) was a full-sister to the irrepressible Danehill.

Rammayy (Win Win Win) was produced by a full-sister to MSW Pretty Perfection (Majesticperfection) and cost trainer Michael Costa \$250,000 on behalf of Jebel Ali Stables at last year's Keeneland September Sale, while \$25,000 Fasig-Tipton October and \$50,000 OBS June grad Nedawy (Instagrand) completes the field.

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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, NOV. 16

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$50,000 160 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner 3-Churchill Downs, 1:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Bye Bye Miles, 12-1 \$310,000 KEE SEP yrl

Cont. 4-Gulfstream, 1:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Cool Intentions, 9-5 \$285,000 KEE SEP yrl

Caracaro (Uncle Mo), Crestwood Farm, \$6,500 49 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Gulfstream, 2:46 p.m. EDT, \$65K Juvenile Fillies Sprint S., 6 1/2f, La Gioconda, 9-5

Complexity (Maclean's Music), Airdrie Stud, \$12,500 121 foals of racing age/18 winners/3 black-type winners 3-Aqueduct, 12:40 p.m. EDT, \$100K Notebook S., 6f, Kenny Be, 2-1

\$35,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$20,000 EAS OCT yrl; \$115,000 OBS APR 2yo

7-Del Mar, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Pura Vida Princesa, 8-1 \$55,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$65,000 KEE SEP yrl

Echo Town (Speightstown), Coolmore Ashford, \$5,000 60 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners 1-Charles Town, 7:00 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Itzayana, 4-1 \$35,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$25,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo; \$9,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Fog of War (War Front), Topaz Stud, private 53 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Trulli Magic, 4-1

Global Campaign (Curlin), WinStar Farm, \$12,500 123 foals of racing age/13 winners/1 black-type winner 4-Gulfstream, 1:48 p.m. EDT, Msw 1m, Forever Now, 5-1 \$30,000 KEE SEP yrl

7-Gulfstream, 3:16 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Global Prosperity, 12-1



Complexity | Sarah Andrew

3-Churchill Downs, 1:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Global Quote, 7-2 \$235,000 KEE SEP yrl
6-Gulfstream, 2:46 p.m. EDT, \$65K Juvenile Fillies Sprint S., 6 1/2f, Mrs Worldwide, 9-2 \$100,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Honor A. P. (Honor Code), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000 80 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Laurel, 2:53 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, It's a Shore Thing, 9-2 \$39,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl; \$70,000 EAS MAY 2yo

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

43 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Blue Eyed Scout, 3-1 \$20,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$5,000 SAR AUG yrl 3-Aqueduct, 12:40 p.m. EDT, \$100K Notebook S., 6f, Soontobeking, 9-2 \$80,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Maximum Security (New Year's Day), Coolmore Ashford, \$7,500 88 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Laurel, 2:53 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Blessed Candy, 20-1 \$38,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$12,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Name Changer (Uncle Mo), Kaz Hill Farm, \$2,500 13 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Miss Tiramisu, 5-1 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Storm Changer, 10-1

Spun to Run (Hard Spun), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000 91 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Je T'adore, 12-1

Summersimage (Slew's Tiznow)

1 foal of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 8-Pleasanton, 7:15 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Tizsummer, 8-1

Tank Commander (War Front)

6 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 8-Remington, 11:53 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Slades Tank, 8-1

Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000 124 foals of racing age/16 winners/2 black-type winners 8-Remington, 11:53 p.m. EDT, Alw 5 1/2f, Essay, 5-1 6-Woodbine, 3:50 p.m. EDT, Ocl 6 1/2f, Sol de Verano, 12-1 \$12,000 FTK OCT yrl

Tiz the Law (Constitution), Coolmore Ashford, \$20,000 98 foals of racing age/18 winners/5 black-type winners 2-Del Mar, 4:00 p.m. EDT, \$100K Desi Arnaz S., 7f, Silent Law, 6-5

\$80,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$190,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo; \$400,000 OBS OPN 2yo

5-Woodbine, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Tiz Her Money, 5-2 \$45,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$55,000 KEE SEP yrl

Tom's d'Etat (Smart Strike), WinStar Farm, \$7,500
79 foals of racing age/13 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Gulfstream, 3:16 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Mischievous Han, 20-1
\$7,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$17,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$29,000 RNA OBS APR
2yo

Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 163 foals of racing age/33 winners/4 black-type winners 6-Gulfstream, 2:46 p.m. EDT, \$65K Juvenile Fillies Sprint S., 6 1/2f, Bella Cleopatra, 2-1

\$15,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$95,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo
7-Del Mar, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Magale, 4-1
\$47,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$90,000 OBS APR 2yo
4-Cross Country Pick X, 3:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K Central Park S.
AQU - R9, 1mT, Super Swift, 8-1

3-Delta Downs, 6:46 p.m. EDT, Msw 6 1/2f, Swamp Queen, 5-2 \$1,800 TTA YRL yrl

3-Churchill Downs, 1:58 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Vekoma Kid, 30-1 \$140,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$140,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000 125 foals of racing age/20 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Laurel, 2:53 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Say You Love Me, 12-1 \$42,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$45,000 OBS MAR 2yo 6-Gulfstream, 2:46 p.m. EDT, \$65K Juvenile Fillies Sprint S., 6 1/2f, Volatiled, 7-2 \$42,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl

War of Will (War Front), Claiborne Farm, \$25,000 115 foals of racing age/14 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Woodbine, 3:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16m, Bright Sunshine, 5-1 \$80,000 KEE SEP yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, NOV. 16 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Copper Bullet (More Than Ready), Marjorie Farms, \$7,500 54 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners 7-Arapahoe, 5:30 p.m. EDT, \$38K Arapahoe Park Derby, 1 1/16m, Copper Sky, 8-1

Enticed (Medaglia d'Oro), Mountain Springs Farm, \$5,000 158 foals of racing age/53 winners/3 black-type winners 8-Arapahoe, 5:55 p.m. EDT, \$37K Debutante S., 6f, Zorina, 5-2

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000 200 foals of racing age/70 winners/7 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Hattie Carroll, 12-1 \$32,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$95,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl

Leofric (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, \$7,500 105 foals of racing age/19 winners/2 black-type winners 10-Aqueduct, 4:10 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Lady of Mercia, 30-1 \$1,400 FTD OCT yrl

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 296 foals of racing age/110 winners/8 black-type winners 3-Laurel, 1:25 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Somethingwonderful, 20-1 \$12,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$7,000 EAS MAY 2yo

Preservationist (Arch), Airdrie Stud, \$5,000 105 foals of racing age/43 winners/4 black-type winners 7-Arapahoe, 5:30 p.m. EDT, \$38K Arapahoe Park Derby, 1 1/16m, Proof of Purchase, 8-1

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Haras Rio Iguassd, 5,000 130 foals of racing age/52 winners/1 black-type winner 7-Laurel, 3:22 p.m. EDT, Msw 6f, Change My World, 12-1

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), Darley Japan, ¥1,500,000 164 foals of racing age/47 winners/4 black-type winners 7-Del Mar, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 5fT, Rice Paddy, 30-1 \$2,200 OBS OCT yrl; \$14,000 RNA OBS WIN yrl; \$12,000 OBS OPN 2yo







ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-Churchill Downs, \$136,290, (NW3\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$100,000), 11-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.76, fm, 1/2 length.

CALLIE'S GRIT (f, 4, Maclean's Music--Neith, by Dynaformer) Lifetime Record: SP, 15-4-4-1, \$387,678. O-Carl R. Moore Management LLC and Brad Grady; B-Dr. John C. Weed Jr. & Maclean's Music Syndicate (KY); T-Joe Sharp. *\$50,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$95,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

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8th-Aqueduct, \$95,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 11-15, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.55, fm, 1/2 length.

GASLIGHT DANCER (c, 4, City of Light--Raindrops Droptops, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: SW/GSP, 19-4-2-1, \$467,108. O-Gatsas Stables; B-Springhouse Farm (KY); T-Richard E. Dutrow, Jr. *\$80,000 Ylg '21 FTKJUL; \$260,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

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6th-Woodbine, C\$86,180, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$21,501-\$22,934), 11-14, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.86, ft, 1/2 length. **PAINTTHETOWNSILVER (g, 3, Mo Town--Silver Princess {SW, \$129,309}, by Old Forester)** Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$84,808.

O/B-Osprey Stables (ON); T-Roger L. Attfield.

3rd-Aqueduct, \$85,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$45,000), 11-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.57, fm, nose.

MIDNIGHT CONCERTO (f, 3, Mendelssohn--Midnight in Giada, by Midnight Lute) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-2, \$154,778. O-Harold Lerner LLC, AWC Stables and Nehoc Stables; B-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC & Valerie Dailey (NY); T-Kenneth G. McPeek. *\$185,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP.

1st-Aqueduct, \$80,000, (S), 11-15, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.49, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

YO BANANA BOY (g, 3, Practical Joke--Tizsomethingroyal, by Tizway) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$132,269. O-Robert W. Krattiger; B-Triumphant Trio (NY); T-Destin G. Heath. *\$50,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$160,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.



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8th-Laurel, \$62,720, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$44,000-\$55,000), 11-15, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.54, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

SPEEDYNESS (g, 3, Great Notion--Hartigan {MSW, \$197,300}, by Include) Lifetime Record: SW, 13-6-1-2, \$295,840. O-Morris E. Kernan, Jr. and Jagger Inc.; B-Jagger Inc (MD); T-Jamie Ness. *1/2 to Starry Moon (Malibu Moon), MSP, \$200,516 and Royal Number (Palace Malice), SP, \$184,030.

7th-Gulfstream, \$48,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 11-15, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.56, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

R DISASTER (f, 3, Awesome Slew--Making Havoc, by Gottcha Gold) Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$111,380. O-Averill Racing LLC, Two Eight Racing, LLC and ATM Racing; B-Ocala Stud & J. Michael O'Farrell Jr. (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.

5th-Delta Downs, \$44,000, (S), 11-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5f, :58.74, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

F T W SLAM (g, 4, Astrology--Debbie Ann, by Posse) Lifetime Record: 18-4-4-4, \$106,470. O-Jason G. Grudzien; B-Roy Zuppardo (LA); T-Rylee Magnon.

7th-Delta Downs, \$44,000, 11-14, (C), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.70, ft, head.

GOOD AND STOUT (c, 3, Coal Front--Ready Witted, by More Than Ready) Lifetime Record: SW, 13-4-2-3, \$216,030.

O-Whispering Oaks Farm LLC; B-Adcock's Red River Farm, LLC & Hume Wornall (LA); T-Carrol Castille. *\$55,000 Ylg '22 OBSOCT; \$75,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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10th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$41,000, (S), 11-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.23, sy, neck.

MIKIE O'PRADO (g, 5, Fort Prado--Tapper Time, by Pine Bluff) Lifetime Record: 20-5-1-4, \$73,188. O-Jerry Charley; B-Barbara J Conner (IN); T-Stephen V. Fosdick. *1/2 to My Erin (Article of Faith), MSP, \$188,356.

2nd-Delta Downs, \$36,000, 11-14, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.52, ft, head.

CALCULATED LUV (g, 3, Algorithms--South Beach Luv {SP}, by Sligo Bay {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-4-0-0, \$56,253. O-Anthony Tate; B-Clare Rosalind Sokolsky (VA); T-Isai V. Gonzalez.

9th-Remington, \$35,000, (S), 11-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:40.31, fm, 1 length.

SONIC POSSE (g, 4, Caleb's Posse--Sonic Run {MSP}, by Song of the Sword) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-0, \$48,849. O/B-Larry Darter (OK); T-Francisco Bravo.

7th-Charles Town, \$27,400, 11-14, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53.27, wf, 1/2 length.

PHANTOM QUEEN (m, 5, Limehouse--Claque, by Exchange Rate) Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-2, \$96,370. O-Cristina V. Mosby; B-Julie Calvert (WV); T-James L. Cornwell, Jr...

5th-Arapahoe, \$24,000, (S), 11-15, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.74, my, 7 1/2 lengths.

COLLUSIONIST (g, 8, Ez Effort--Pretty Amazing, by Benchmark) Lifetime Record: MSP, 52-25-3-3, \$466,046. O-Eli Diamant; B-William Matthews Family Trust (CO); T-O. A. Martinez, Jr.. *\$8,000 Ylg '17 COYRL.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ms Notion, f, 2, Great Notion--Talkin Smack, by Not For Love. Laurel, 11-15, 6f, 1:11.79. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$32,430. B-Thomas Bowman (MD). *\$52,000 Ylg '23 EASOCT. **1/2 to Talk to the Judge (Golden Lad), SW, \$162,482. *1ST-TIME STARTER.

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Query, f, 2, **Great Notion**--Black Coco, by Cape Town. Penn National, 11-14, 5 1/2f, 1:06.04. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,110. B-Arrowwood Farm, Inc. (PA). *1/2 to Item (Orientate), SW, \$210,519.

Cajun Mitole, c, 2, Mitole--Cajun Flower, by Flower Alley. Delta Downs, 11-15, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:21.08. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$30,530. B-Coulee Croche Thor., LLC (LA). *\$29,000 RNA Ylg '23 TTAYRL.

Kentucky Dreamin, g, 2, Runhappy--Aguadilla, by Stormy Atlantic. Remington, 11-14, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.03. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$36,705. B-Theta Holdings I, Inc. (KY). *\$22,000 RNA Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$36,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTKFEB; \$23,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

Causeway Benny, g, 3, Brody's Cause--Changing Vista, by Changeintheweather. Delta Downs, 11-14, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:20.07. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-2, \$60,200. B-J. Adcock & Hume Wornall (LA). *\$30,000 Ylg '22 LTBSYM; \$45,000 2yo '23 TTAAPR. **1/2 to Bron and Brow (Gormley), MSW, \$450,610.

Mo Kreesa, g, 2, Mo Town--Lady Kreesa (SP, \$249,468), by Stonesider. Aqueduct, 11-15, (S), (C), 1m, 1:39.09. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$28,200. B-Gerald Kresa & Susan Kresa (NY).

Quiet Confidence, f, 3, Nyquist--Hi Holiday (SW, \$112,563), by Harlan's Holiday. Churchill Downs, 11-15, (C), 6f, 1:10.72. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$59,670. B-Frederick and May Construction (KY). *\$100,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$175,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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Algorithms, Calculated Luv, g, 3, o/o South Beach Luv, by Sligo Bay (Ire). ALW, 11-14, Delta Downs

Astrology, F T W Slam, g, 4, o/o Debbie Ann, by Posse. ALW, 11-14, Delta Downs

Awesome Slew, R Disaster, f, 3, o/o Making Havoc, by Gottcha Gold. AOC, 11-15, Gulfstream

Brody's Cause, Causeway Benny, g, 3, o/o Changing Vista, by Changeintheweather. MSW, 11-14, Delta Downs

Caleb's Posse, Sonic Posse, g, 4, o/o Sonic Run, by Song of the Sword. ALW, 11-14, Remington

Caravaggio, Church and State, g, 2, o/o Full Snow Moon, by Vindication. MSW, 11-15, Woodbine

City of Light, Gaslight Dancer, c, 4, o/o Raindrops Droptops, by Medaglia d'Oro. AOC, 11-15, Aqueduct

Coal Front, Good and Stout, c, 3, o/o Ready Witted, by More Than Ready. ALW, 11-14, Delta Downs

Ez Effort, Collusionist, g, 8, o/o Pretty Amazing, by Benchmark. ALW, 11-15, Arapahoe

Fort Prado, Mikie O'Prado, g, 5, o/o Tapper Time, by Pine Bluff. ALW, 11-14, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Great Notion, Ms Notion, f, 2, o/o Talkin Smack, by Not For Love. MSW, 11-15, Laurel

Great Notion, Query, f, 2, o/o Black Coco, by Cape Town. MSW, 11-14, Penn National

Great Notion, Speedyness, g, 3, o/o Hartigan, by Include. AOC, 11-15, Laurel

Hard Spun, Rafaroo, c, 3, o/o Light Green, by Pleasantly Perfect. MSW, 11-15, Woodbine

Limehouse, Phantom Queen, m, 5, o/o Claque, by Exchange Rate. ALW, 11-14, Charles Town

Maclean's Music, Callie's Grit, f, 4, o/o Neith, by Dynaformer.

AOC, 11-15, Churchill Downs

McKinzie, Amarth, f, 2, o/o Criminal Mischief, by Into Mischief. AOC, 11-15, Churchill Downs

Mendelssohn, Midnight Concerto, f, 3, o/o Midnight in Giada, by Midnight Lute. AOC, 11-15, Aqueduct

Mitole, Cajun Mitole, c, 2, o/o Cajun Flower, by Flower Alley. MSW, 11-15, Delta Downs

Mo Town, Mo Kreesa, g, 2, o/o Lady Kreesa, by Stonesider. MCL, 11-15, Aqueduct

Mo Town, Paintthetownsilver, g, 3, o/o Silver Princess, by Old Forester. AOC, 11-14, Woodbine

Nyquist, Quiet Confidence, f, 3, o/o Hi Holiday, by Harlan's Holiday. MCL, 11-15, Churchill Downs

Omaha Beach, Flat to Da Mat, c, 2, o/o Deadline, by Flat Out. MSW, 11-15, Aqueduct

Omaha Beach, Sandy Bottom, f, 3, o/o Starlit Daydream, by Can the Man. AOC, 11-15, Del Mar

Practical Joke, Yo Banana Boy, g, 3, o/o Tizsomethingroyal, by Tizway. ALW, 11-15, Aqueduct

Runhappy, Kentucky Dreamin, g, 2, o/o Aguadilla, by Stormy Atlantic. MSW, 11-14, Remington

Sir Prancealot (Ire), Triple Diamonds, g, 2, o/o Florentine Diamond, by Smiling Tiger. MSW, 11-15, Del Mar

Speightstown, Caribbean Wind, f, 2, o/o Antillia, by Bernardini. MSW, 11-15, Churchill Downs

Volatile, Rojo Rita, f, 2, o/o D'ya Knowwhatimean, by Broken Vow. MSW, 11-15, Gulfstream



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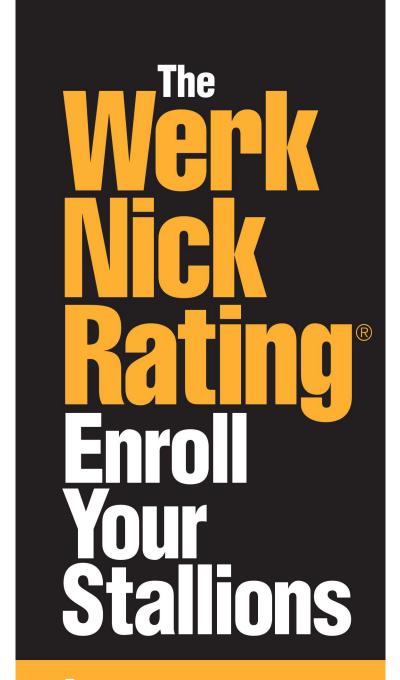
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THE STRADIVARIUS EFFECT: 'PEOPLE WANT TO SEE HIM AND THAT'S HUGE FOR THE STUD'



Stradivarius | *The National Stud*

By Emma Berry

The unmistakably charismatic Stradivarius (Ire) became one horse to buck the trend of the top stayers being shuffled off to National Hunt studs after glorious careers on the Flat when his owner-breeder Bjorn Nielsen elected to stand him at the National Stud in Newmarket.

In his first two seasons there he has covered 220 mares and now foal judges and pinhookers will have their first chance to set eyes on a bunch of his debut crop at Tattersalls in just over a week's time, when 14 of his 80 weanlings come under the hammer during the December Foal Sale. Cont. p3

SPIRIT DANCER DOUBLES UP IN BAHRAIN INTERNATIONAL TROPHY by Heather Anderson

Run under lights for the first time, the \$1-million G2 Bahrain International Trophy featured some familiar faces in the winner's circle once the dust settled, as co-breeder Sir Alex Ferguson, and co-owners Ged Mason and Peter Done's **Spirit Dancer (GB)** (Frankel {GB}--Queen's Dream {Ger}, by Oasis Dream {GB}) became the first dual winner of the 2000-metre affair at the Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club in Bahrain on Friday.

Just like the 2023 edition, the gelded son of Frankel defeated a runner sent out by John and Thady Gosden, with Juddmonte homebred and early stretch leader **Lead Artist (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) succumbing in the final 75 metres to the determined drive of the winner. Victorious Racing's Group 1 winner **Calif (Ger)** (Areion {Ger}) was third.

Winning the break from stall 11, the same gate as in 2023, Spirit Dancer drifted back through the field under Oisin Orr and stayed there for much of the contest. Mounting a challenge on the final turn, he gained on the leaders with every stride upon straightening out in the centre of the course, and unleashed an irresistable rally to prevail inside the final half-furlong.

"It's unbelievable, he was so far behind I said 'he's not going to do it'," said former football exec Ferguson. "I don't know where he got it from. It was fantastic and he's a fantastic jockey [Oisin Orr]." Cont. p5

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SPENDTHRIFT GEARING UP FOR ANOTHER BUSY BREEDING SEASON WITH THREE NEWCOMERS

Spendthrift is gearing up for the 2025 breeding season with three new stallions and Katie Petrunyak has the details.



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In those first two years at stud, breeders were given extra enticement to use the son of Sea The Stars (Ire) with Nielsen's introduction of a series of bonuses which mean that the breeder of any member of those crops who wins a Group 1 in Britain, Ireland or France at two or three will receive £250,000, while the breeders of any Group 2 and Group 3 winners will receive £100,000. Furthermore, there are £25,000 bonuses for the breeders of his first ten juvenile winners in Britain, Ireland, France or Germany from each crop.

That will certainly have helped to focus people's attention, and there are some notably shrewd names among the breeders of Stradivarius foals in this year's Return of Mares, but to a certain extend the horse sold himself. Plenty of folk who went to see him at the National Stud were quickly won over by Stradivarius's swaggering walk, which is coupled with the character that enabled him to become one of the most beloved racehorses of the last decade, with seven Group 1 wins and a further 11 group victories to his name.

Whether he imparts those same characteristics to his stock will be seen in the years to come, but early reports and feedback from breeders have been pleasing both the National Stud team and Nielsen.

"I am not a judge of a yearling or a foal or anything like that," Nielsen admits. "I'm just going on what people who've come up to me have said, and I keep hearing, 'Wow, we've got this fantastic foal'. And that's from people who know the time of day. So it's going to be really interesting, because the feedback I've had is that he's had a lot of quite big, strong foals with great walks, like him."

The National Stud's Jamie Jackson has seen 'the Stradivarius effect' firsthand. As much as he is standing as a commercial stallion, the star stayer has also been a huge tourist attraction.



Lot 696 at Tattersalls is the colt out of Greatestshowgirl, seen with his dam earlier this year | Melanie Sauer



The signpost on the roundabout near to the National Stud points visitors to the 'Home of Stradivarius' and the number of people taking the stud tour has grown since his retirement.

"When we announced that he was coming to the stud he was still at Mr Gosden's at that stage but people were turning up here, expecting to see him," Jackson recalls.

"The tour buses are generally about 20-seaters and they were getting larger and larger, and there were more and more of them. When people come here they make a beeline to see him. He's in the first paddock on the left now, so he's demanding people give him attention. I was only down there earlier for a stallion show and he was making sure his presence was known."

He continues, "But they want to see him, they know who he is, and that's huge for the stud, to involve and engage people who naturally perhaps aren't too much involved in the breeding side of things."

The National Stud consigns three of the Stradivarius foals to Tattersalls, including a half-brother to the listed winner and Group 2-placed Biographer (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), who is lot 1053 and was bred by Nielsen.

Jackson says, "When you're selling at Tattersalls you can see how many people have looked at the pedigrees [online] and, funnily enough, all of our foals that are by Stradivarius have had about three times more people look at the pedigree, which is quite interesting." Cont. p4

Darley



Naval Crown

Lookalike son of Dubawi who won the G1 Platinum Jubilee beating Highfield Princess, Alcohol Free and Minzaal in the most competitive sprint of the season.

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Stradivarius's First Foals Cont.

Jackson adds, "We're selling one on the Saturday and he's had near enough 150 more people look at his pedigree than the rest, just because he's by Stradivarius. That's the effect that he's having."

Among those breeders who signed up mares to visit Stradivarius is Sir Alex Ferguson. His filly foal is a half-sister to the triple Group 2 winner Spirit Dancer (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and has already been named Harmony Row after the Glasgow-based youth football club based at Alex Ferguson Park in the renowned football manager's home city.

The Burns family of Lodge Park Stud have a colt out of the Oaks fourth and listed winner Vow (GB) (Motivator {GB}), while Kildaragh Stud, Ringfort Stud, Stetchworth and Middle Park Studs, Kingsclere Stud, Wretham Stud, Mount Coote Estates and Ashbrittle Stud all feature on Stradivarius's list of patrons.

Among his 86 mares in foal this year, perhaps the most notable is Copgrove Hall Stud's La Pomme d'Amour (GB) (Peintre Celebre), a Group 2 winner herself who is now the dam of G1 Irish Champion Stakes winner Economics (GB) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}). If the resultant foal is not a flashy chestnut there will certainly be questions asked in the house.

The Knox family's Spinatrix (GB) (Diktat [GB]), the dam of the G3 Athasi Stakes winner Twilight Spinner (GB) (Twilight Son {GB}), is another to have visited him earlier this year.

Nielsen has of course supported his stallion himself, including with his Royal Ascot winner Agrotera (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), who hails from a terrific family which includes Sea The Moon (Ger) and this season's G1 Grand Prix de Paris winner Sosie (Ire), both of whom are by Sea The Stars.

He says, "Unfortunately, I lost one, but I've got three or four in the first crop, and I have another three or four [mares] in foal. I'm going to send good mares to him again this year. Agrotera is going back to him and I'm also sending [her half-sister] Jeanne d'Arc, who is by Le Havre, as well as a couple of French mares from good families that I bought especially for him."

Nielsen remains convinced that Stradivarius will be capable of breeding good runners on the Flat.

He says, "The one difference between him and any so-called stayer that I've ever seen is his turn of foot. Most other stayers, nearly all of them are grinders and they can never be anything but National Hunt stallions, because they don't have the turn of foot. And they just turn up the heat and gallop on and gallop on. But he has that conformation too. He looks like a miler."

Nielsen adds, "The difference between the great and the good, whether it's human beings or horses, is the brain and the way they relax, and everything is different in the great sportsmen and the great horses. Much less fazes them than fazes the rest of us. And he was certainly... He didn't care, did he? He just walked around like he owned the joint." Cont. p5



Stradivarius's First Foals Cont.

By all accounts, Stradivarius is still behaving in this manner, the racecourse now replaced by the stallion yard and paddocks of the National Stud that make up his new fiefdom.

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"He's had to find something like four lengths to catch the leading horse and somehow he got there. It was fantastic and I'm really proud of him and proud of the jockey because he sat motionless and didn't panic at all."

Mason added, "You think lightning wouldn't strike twice but it has today and it is a fantastic feat what Richard and the team back home have done.

"Credit to them for getting him back from his injury [after Dubai], it's fantastic. I'm so happy for this fella [Ferguson], who bred him and last year it was a bit of a tonic after we sadly lost Lady Cathy [Ferguson's late wife], who we said rode him last time and I think she rode him again."

The 2023 G3 Strensall Stakes hero ran fourth in the G1 Jebel Hatta after his Bahrain heroics. He was back in the winner's circle in Saudi Arabia's G2 Neom Turf Cupi in February on the G1 Saudi Cup undercard, before unplaced runs in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic in March and, after being diagnosed with a chip in a joint, the G3 Darley Stakes in the wake of Lead Artist at Newmarket in October.

Pedigree Notes

Former champion sire Frankel has sired 152 stakes winners, 102 at the group level. A total of seven of his stakes-winning progeny are out of fellow Juddmonte stallion Oasis Dream mares, with the showrunner of that bunch G1 Prix de la Foret heroine Kelina (Ire).

The third foal and one of five winners for his unraced dam, Spirit Dancer's latest half-sibling is the Stradivarius (Ire) filly foal Harmony Row (GB). Cont. p6



(I-r) Richard Fahey, Ged Mason, Oisin Orr, Spirit Dancer and Sir Alex Ferguson | Racingfotos.com



G2 Bahrain International Trophy Cont.

Second dam Quetena (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}) placed in a listed race in Italy before foaling a quartet of stakes winners. Three of them were group class or better--Italian Group 1 winner and sire Querari (Ger) (Oasis Dream {GB}), fellow sire and G3 Bavarian Classic victor Quasillo (Ger) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), and the stakes-producing Quidura (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) all won at least one race at the group or graded level. The last-named mare triumphed in the GII Ballston Spa S. and GII Canadian S., and GIII Valley View S. and was placed an additional three times at the highest table in the U.S.

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Friday, Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, Bahrain BAHRAIN INTERNATIONAL TROPHY-G2, \$1,000,000, Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, 11-15, 3yo/up, 2000mT, 2:02.28, gd.

1--SPIRIT DANCER (GB), 128, g, 6, by Frankel (GB)
1st Dam: Queen's Dream (Ger), by Oasis Dream (GB)
2nd Dam: Quetena (Ger), by Acatenango (Ger)
3rd Dam: Quebrada (Ire), by Devil's Bag

O-Done, Ferguson & Mason. B-Sir Alex Ferguson & Niall McLoughlin (GB). T-Richard Fahey. J-Oisin Orr. \$600,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Eng & KSA, 28-9-6-2, \$2,731,263. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

- 2--Lead Artist (GB), 124, c, 3, Dubawi (Ire)--Obligate (GB), by Frankel (GB). O-Juddmonte. B-Juddmonte Farms, Ltd. (GB). T-John & Thady Gosden. \$200,000.
- 3--Calif (Ger), 128, g, 5, Areion (Ger)--Cherry Danon (Ire), by Rock Of Gibraltar (Ire). (€95,000 RNA Ylg '20 BBASEP; €400,000 HRA '23 ARQSEP). O-Victorious Racing. B-Gestut Brummerhof (Ger). T-Carlos & Yann Lerner. \$100,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2, 1.

Also Ran: Alflaila (GB), Andromede (Fr), Yamanin Sympa (Jpn), Point Lonsdale (Ire), Killer Ability (Jpn), Goemon (GB), Nations Pride (Ire), Sovereign Spirit (GB), Young Ireland (Ire).

Click for the Bahrain Turf Club chart.



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SCEPTRE SESSIONS-BOUND BELIEVING 'A PERFECT OUTCROSS FOR BREEDERS'

Trainer George Boughey has described Group 2 winner Believing (Ire) Mehmas (Ire) as the "perfect outcross" for breeders ahead of the Tattersalls December Mares Sale.

The Highclere Racing-owned four-year-old, who has danced every dance this season and reached a career-high rating of 112, is one of the star attractions of the Sceptre Sessions at that sale and Boughey says that his stable star would be a no-brainer for potential buyers.

He said, "With her being a Group 1 filly by Mehmas, who has had a record-breaking season and has become that sexy sire, I've no doubt he's going to become that broodmare sire that everyone wants to be a part of. Graduates of this sale are already winning Breeders' Cups, as we saw with Quiet Reflection (GB) (Showcasing {GB}) [dam of Juvenile Fillies' Turf winner Lake Victoria (Ire)] this year and a number of others going to the highest level. She is the perfect outcross for any of those modern day stallions."

There are few fillies as battle-hardened as Believing. Having started her campaign in Hong Kong, she went on to race eight times--mostly at the highest level--throughout an exhilarating campaign. Of course, there would have been another Group 1 contested had she not been deemed a late non-runner after getting upset in the stalls ahead of the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint, for which Believing was a leading fancy for at Del Mar. Cont. p7



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Believing Cont.

Reflecting on that mishap, Boughey said, "It was one of those things that you couldn't foresee happening, really. We did loads of gate work with her to try and get her to jump that bit faster. She stood in there and had a little bit of a fright. One of them a few gates down from her reared and it just set her off. The guys at Highclere were super about the whole thing. She's been a star for them. It's just sad that at the end of the story, with the pace collapse [in the actual race], that it wasn't her in front. But she came back safe and sound and that's the main thing."

Nobody can take away the fact that Believing is a Group 2 winner who hit the frame in no less than three Group 1s this season. Reflecting on that stellar campaign, Boughey said, "It's always a bit of a punt keeping a stakes-winning filly in training from three to four but she'd shown us the signs, certainly in the winter and into the spring--I must say, I wish I had her in the Al Quoz [Sprint in Dubai] as she was absolutely flying at that stage. She just really thrived through the spring. Her Listed win [at Haydock] was really impressive and set the tone for the season, beating a Group 1 winner. She went to Royal Ascot and what a filly to run well there twice within the week. She's a Group 2 winner and has danced every dance. In jest, I said to Harry [Herbert] at the start of the season that we'd start in Hong Kong and finish in Del Mar. The constitution of the filly allowed me to do that. And also, the belief of the owners to allow me to campaign her so positively."

Asked to sum up the physical attributes that make Believing such a hot commodity, Boughey added, "For me, she's as good a sprinting type as you'll see. She has a deep girth and is a good-moving type for a sprinter. She's not overly big but she has become a more compact individual as time has gone on. We had her on a Guineas preparation after her two-year-old career. She immediately came back to sprinting trips and looks a fast, precocious type, one I'm sure will breed nice stock."

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EUROPEAN NEWS

TIME TEST SOLD TO TURKISH JOCKEY CLUB

Time Test (GB) has been sold by the National Stud to continue his stud career in Turkey.

A statement released by the Turkish Jockey Club on Friday read, "Another successful name, purchased by the Turkish Jockey Club, is coming to our country to serve our breeders starting from the 2025 breeding season. Time Test, whose import operations are ongoing, will stand in our country in



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2025."

A dual Group 2 winner in Britain for his owner-breeder Juddmonte Farms and trainer Roger Charlton, Time Test, by Dubawi (Ire) out of the Group 1 winner Passage Of Time (GB) (Dansili {GB}), has been based in Newmarket throughout his European stud career, which began in 2018. He has also shuttled to Little Avondale Stud in New Zealand and is the sire of four group winners: Crypto Force (GB), Rocchigiani (GB), Okeechobee (GB) and Romantic Time (GB).

Time Test's juvenile half-brother Cosmic Year (GB) (Kingman (GB) won his sole start at Sandown by six-and-a-half lengths for Harry Charlton in September and is currently quoted as 20/1 for next year's 2,000 Guineas.

Earlier this year the National Stud sold Mutasaabeq (GB) to stand at stud in India after he covered mares for just one season in England. The champion sprinter-elect Bradsell (GB) has recently been welcomed to the stallion wing of the National Stud, where he will stand alongside Stradivarius (Ire), Lope Y Fernandez (Ire) and Rajasinghe (Ire).

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TATTERSALLS WILDCARDS IN FOAL TO TOO **DARN HOT ON SH TIME**

Blessed Truly (Super Speedy) and Moraless (Ire) (Churchill {Ire}) have been added to the Monday of the Sceptre Sessions at the Tattersalls December Mares Sale. Both mares are in foal to Too Darn Hot (GB) on southern hemisphere time.

The seven-year-old Blessed Truly, a restricted stakes winner at Woodbine, will be consigned by Culworth Grounds Farm as lot 1485B.

The unraced Moraless, now four and in foal for the first time, will be consigned by Imperium Sales as lot 1486B. She is a half-sister to the Group 2-winning duo of Hunting Horn (Ire) (Camelot (GB) and David Livingston (Ire) (Galileo (Ire)) from the family of High Chaparral (Ire). Cont. p8

Tattersalls Wildcards Cont.

A total of five mares in the December Sale are in foal to Too Darn Hot on southern hemisphere coverings. The young Darley sire is responsible for three Group 1 winners: Fallen Angel (GB) and Hotazhell (GB) from his first two European crops, and Broadsiding (Aus) in Australia.

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BAPTISTE HENRY JOINS DARLEY NOMINATIONS TEAM

Baptiste Henry has been appointed to join the nominations team at Darley and will be responsible for looking after the stud's French clients.

Baptiste, who began his career in racing at Jebel Ali and has race-ridden over jumps in France, has also worked for leading trainer Jerome Reynier and with Sebastien Desmontils of Chauvigny Global Equine at bloodstock sales.

He said, "I am delighted to be joining the Darley nominations team and look forward to getting to know the French clients and contributing to their continued success with the Darley stallions."

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Baptiste Henry | Darley

MASTER FARRIER JIM REILLY RETIRES AFTER 52-YEAR CAREER

Jim Reilly, a master farrier, has retired after 52 years in the position. From Clonsilla in Dublin, he followed his father's career path. Reilly has been shoeing horses for trainer Jim Bolger since 1972. In 2015, he was awarded the Ancillary Services Award at the Godolphin Stud and Stable Staff Awards.

Bolger said, "Jim Reilly shod the first horse for me in 1972 and since then had shod 56 Group 1 winners and 12 Classic winners including two world champions--St Jovite and New Approach (Ire). He also shod two champion hurdle winners and two Epsom and Irish Derby winners. In all he has shod 2,860 winners for us.

"He has now decided to take things a little easier and let some rust gather on his anvil. I am delighted to see him retire in good health, never having been injured while shoeing 5,000-plus horses and I wish him a very long and happy retirement.

"Jim is a thorough gentleman and a great friend to Jackie, me, my family and staff. I don't think there has ever been a better farrier anywhere in the world. He never missed a day in 52 years and I am sure Willie Mullins, Aidan O'Brien and many others have learned much from Jim."

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Jim Reilly has spent over five decades as a farrier | Jennifer O'Sullivan

VAN BEETHOVEN'S FEE INCREASED TO €6,000 AT KARWIN FARM FOLLOWING HIS FIRST RUNNERS

First-season sire Van Beethoven will stand for an increased fee of €6,000 at Karwin Farm in 2025. The news was first reported by Jour de Galop.

The son of Scat Daddy has 40 foals in his first crop, and, from 11 runners has a trio of winners. His Ciaran (Fr) was second in the Listed Prix des Jouvenceaux et Jouvencelles. A winner of the G2 Railway Stakes, the dark bay was second in the 2019 GI Secretariat Stakes in the U.S. After starting his stud career at Haras de Grandcamp where he stood 2021 and 2022 at €6,000, Van Beethoven moved to Karwin Farm beginning with the 2023 season. His fee was €4,500 in 2023 and 2024.

KOVANIS LEADS STRONG TATTERSALLS CHELTENHAM NOVEMBER SALE



Kovanis topped Friday's sale | Tattersalls Cheltenham

Kovanis (Fr) (Tunis {Pol}), one of 10 lots to bring £100,000 or more during Friday's Tattersalls Cheltenham November Sale, topped proceedings at £330,000 to Gordon Elliott Racing.

Consigned by Gerald Quinn's Caherty Stables, lot 8 won on debut in a Portrush point-to-point and is from the same family as Friday's G2 Cheltenham Schloer Chase hero Jonbon (Fr) (Walk In The Park {Ire}) and Grade 3 hurdle winner Discover D'Auteuil (Fr) (Mistigri {GB}).

"He is a nice horse, he has come well recommended and he travelled in his race like a good horse," said Elliott. "I will imagine he will go for a bumper in the spring, he looks a nice big horse and one to go forward."

Second on the buyers' sheet was wildcard **Reckless Spending** (Ire) (lot 7) who was sold to Nicky Henderson and Jerry McGrath Bloodstock for £200,000. Part of the Jonathan Fogarty Racing draft, the 4-year-old son of Sholokhov (Ire) was second when unveiled at Umma House on Oct. 20.

"He's for owner Martin George," said McGrath. "The winner of that race and this horse pulled 10 lengths clear of the third. Nicky Henderson has had brilliant luck with the sire; he can get you a Champion Chaser or a Gold Cup horse. Hopefully this will be a nice horse going forward."

Jonathan Fogarty Racing also offered lot 25, **Hank West (Ire)** (Westerner {GB}), who sold for £195,000 to Harold Kirk and Willie Mullins. The gelding won at first asking at Lisronagh.

"Westerner has been very lucky for us and we bought the Grade 1 winner Ferny Hollow (Ire) from here," said Kirk. "This gelding is out of a Montjeu (Ire) mare, and he is another sire we have been lucky with via Hurricane Fly (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}). We loved this horse as an individual, and he won his race well. This

is the first we have bought from Jonathan."

From seven fewer lots catalogued than last year, the sale's clearance rate rose to 87% with 33 lots sold of 38 offered for a gross of £3,085,000 (+34%). The average and median both increased by over 20% apiece at £93,485 (+26%) and £72,000 (+24%), respectively.

Shirley Anderson-Jolag, Tattersalls Cheltenham sales manager said, "It has been fantastic to be back at the Home Of Jump Racing for the Tattersalls Cheltenham November Sale and we have had a sale fit for the occasion.

"We wanted to ensure that this first catalogue of our sales year was select and we concentrated on cataloguing only the very best young jumps horses. I think that goal has been achieved with a top lot of £330,000, seven sold for £150,000 and above and ten six-figure lots.

"The team has worked hard since the beginning of October to deliver buyers an outstanding catalogue of young NH horses and that has been achieved. I am thrilled to see that our consignors have been rewarded with such great results today.

"We all enjoyed watching the Tattersalls Cheltenham December Sale graduate Potters Charm (Ire) (Valirann {Fr}) win so impressively today [in the G2 Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle] and we are looking forward to seeing Tattersalls Cheltenham graduates go on to achieve at the highest level over jumps and win on the biggest stages."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, November 16, 2024:

FRANCE:

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

85 foals of racing age/10 winners/0 black-type winners 5-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, **Made in Pepper (Fr)** €6,500 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Threat (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), Haras du Mont Goubert 42 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 5-CROISE-LAROCHE, 1800m, Lahomi (Fr)

UNITED KINGDOM

Circus Maximus (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud 49 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, Aurelius Maximus (Ire) €42,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023



Threat | Marie la Roux/Haras du Mont Goubert

Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 83 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner 17:18-NEWCASTLE, 6f, Vault of Heaven (Ire) €24,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; £15,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud 101 foals of racing age/9 winners/0 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, **Marhaba Ghaiyyath (Ire)** 28,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud 87 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners 18:30-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, Orchestral Wave (GB) 25,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023; 34,000gns RNA Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2024

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud 110 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner 16:18-NEWCASTLE, 6f, **Charmoula (Ire)**

River Boyne (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), Tara Stud 30 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 18:30-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, Minelone (Ire) €10,000 RNA Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud 121 foals of racing age/22 winners/2 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, Baridi (GB) 8,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023; 48,000gns RNA Tattersalls July Sale 2024

Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Yeomanstown Stud

104 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners 17:30-WOLVERHAMPTON, 6f, **Final Angel (Ire)** £34,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Without Parole (GB) (Frankel {GB}), Newsells Park Stud 53 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners 17:18-NEWCASTLE, 6f, Caledonian Dream (Ire) 30,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2023; £3,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2024

BRITAIN

Friday's Results:

3rd-Wolverhampton, **£6,300**, **Novice**, 11-15, 2yo, f, 8f 142y (AWT), 1:49.74, st.

AMERICAN GAL (GB) (f, 2, Kameko--Granny Franny, by Grand Slam), off the mark on debut at Kempton last month, enjoyed the perfect tow under cover throughout the early stages. Taking command approaching the furlong marker, the 8-15 favourite stayed on strongly to score by five lengths from Queen Himiko (GB) (Study Of Man {Ire}). The winner is a half-sister to Kitten's Joy's GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup and GII Lake George Stakes heroine Kitten's Dumplings, his GIII Colonel E. R. Bradley Handicap scorer Granny's Kitten (Kitten's Joy) and to Granny Mc's Kitten who was also a stakes winner before producing the dual stakes scorer Sister Lou Ann (Frosted) and stakes-placed Hop Kat (Stay Thirsty). Sales history: 25,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$9,077.

O-Mildmay Racing; B-The Granny Franny Partnership (GB); T-Ed Walker.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Wolverhampton, £**6,300**, 11-15, 2yo, f, 8f 142y (AWT), 1:50.16, st.

EAZY ON THE EYE (GB) (f, 2, Expert Eye {GB}--Yaa Mous {GB}, by Farhh {GB}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$8,726. O-Frederick Ellis; B-Ellis Stud Partnership (GB); T-Heather Main. *2,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT.

IRELAND

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Dundalk, €**22,000**, 11-15, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:15.53, st. **DARK ACE (IRE) (c, 2, Soldier's Call {GB}--Likewise {Ire}, by Bushranger {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$25,385. O-Michael Keaveney & Damian McCann; B-Lissglen Bloodstock (IRE); T-Adrian McGuinness. *€40,000 2yo '24 TATBRU.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Genoah (Ire), g, 3, U S Navy Flag--Barnet (GB), by Manduro (Ger). Dundalk, 11-15, 10f 150y (AWT), 2:17.95. B-Tullamaine Castle Stud & Miznah Bloodstock (IRE). *€14,000 RNA Ylg '22 TIRSEP; €30,000 2yo '23 TIRMAY.

FRANCE

Friday's Results:

2nd-Saint-Cloud, €30,000, Cond, 11-15, 2yo, c/g, 10fT, 2:19.74, hy.

PERCIVAL (FR) (c, 2, Camelot {GB}--Bella Bolide {Fr}, by Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}), fifth on debut over a mile at Lyon-Parilly in September, was settled worse than mid-division early. Always travelling like the winner, the 4-1 second favourite was allowed to coast into contention approaching the home turn and once in front two out only needed to be pushed out to secure a facile four-length success from Aidan's Phone (Fr) (Prince Gibraltar {Fr}). The dam, whose yearling filly is by Australia (GB), is a daughter of the listed-winning and group-placed Bellona (Ire) (Bering {GB}) whose descendants include the G1 Hong Kong Vase-winning champion stayer Dominant (Ire) (Cacique {Ire}), Clodovil's G2 Lennox Stakes-winning sire Es Que Love (Ire) and the G1 Prix Jean Romanet heroine Aristia (Ire) (Starspangledbanner {Aus}). The family features the five Group 1

(Starspangledbanner {Aus}). The family features the five Group winners Call The Wind (GB) (Frankel {GB}), With You (GB) (Dansili {GB}), Friendly Soul (GB) (Kingman {GB}), We Are (Ire) (Dansili {GB}) and Kelina (Ire) (Frankel {GB}). Sales history: €520,000 Ylg '23 ARAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €16,150. O-Juddmonte; B-Elevage Haras de Bourgeauville (FR); T-Andre Fabre.

3rd-Saint-Cloud, €30,000, Cond, 11-15, 2yo, f, 10fT, 2:20.94, hy.

ESSEX (FR) (f, 2, Kendargent {Fr}--Esson {Fr}, by Le Havre {Ire}), seventh on debut over nine furlongs at Chantilly last month, tanked her way to the front from the outset before being granted a lead. Working her way to the front with 300 metres remaining, the 62-1 outsider asserted to score by half a length from Badiane (Fr) (Motivator {GB}). The winner is the first foal out of the dam, whose second is a yearling colt by The Grey Gatsby (Ire) due to sell during Saturday's session of the Arqana November Sale. The family includes the G1 1,000 Guineas and G1 Cheveley Park Stakes heroine Natagora (Fr) (Divine Light {Jpn}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €15,000.

O-Patrick Barbe & Mikel Delzangles; B-Patrick Barbe (FR); T-Mikel Delzangles.



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IN BAHRAIN:

Instinctive Move (GB), h, 5, Showcasing (GB)--Peach Melba (GB) (SW-Ger, \$102,959), by Dream Ahead. Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, 11-15, Hcp., 1200mT, 1:15.29, gd. B-R Kent & Executors of Lady Lonsdale (GB). *1/2 to Zoology (GB) (Zoustar {Aus}), GSP-Eng. **75,000gns Wlg '19 TATNOV; 90,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT. ***Ch. 3yo Colt-Bhr.

Ava Go Joe (Ire), g, 6, Dragon Pulse (Ire)--Elusive Ellen (Ire), by Elusive City. Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, 11-15, Grand Seiko - Bahrain Jewellery Centre Cup (Bhr-G1), 1000mT, 1:00.84, gd. B-Con Harrington (Ire). *10,000gns Ylg '19 TATOCT; 25,000gns HRA '22 TATOCT.

Zagato (GB), g, 6, Frankel (GB)--Izzi Top (GB) (G1SW-Fr & Ire, MGSW & G1SP-Eng, \$734,076), by Pivotal (GB). Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, 11-15, Hcp., 2400mT, 2:37.61, gd. B-Meon Valley Stud (GB). *725,00gns RNA Ylg '19 TATOCT; 55,000gns HRA '21 TATSEP. **HotY & Ch. Grass Horse-Bhr, SW-Bhr. ***1/2 to Willie John (GB) (Dansili {GB}), SP-Eng; and Prince Eiji (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), MGSP-Eng & GSW-UAE, \$181,741.

Spirit Dancer (GB), g, 7, Frankel (GB). See "Worldwide News". Byline (GB), g, 7, Muhaarar (GB)--Lauren Louise (GB), by Tagula (Ire). Rashid Equestrian & Horseracing Club, 11-15, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:37.42, gd. B-Toby Barker (GB). *140,000gns Ylg '18 TATOCT; 110,000gns HRA '20 TATOCT. **Hoty-Bhr, 3x Ch. Miler-Bhr, SW-Bhr, & GSP-KSA. ***1/2 to Bogart (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}), SW-Eng, \$559,873; Blaine (GB) (Avonbridge {GB}), GSW-Eng, \$346,315; and Legal Attack (GB) (Shalaa {Ire}), SP-Eng, GSP-Fr.

IN UAE:

Desert Snake (Fr), g, 4, Anodin (Ire)--Little Illusion (GB), by Dansili (GB). Abu Dhabi, 11-15, Hcp., 2200mT, 2:18.48, gd. B-Dayton Investments, Ltd. (Fr). *€2,000 Wlg '20 ARQDEC. Jahoori (GB), g, 5, Nathaniel (Ire)--Ta Ammol (GB), by Halling. Abu Dhabi, 11-15, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:35.82, gd. B-Godolphin (GB). *\$60,000 HRA '24 EMIMAR.

IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Ancestral Land (GB), g, 4, Sioux Nation--Swing Out Sister (Ire), by Kodiac (GB). King Abdulaziz, 11-15, Cond., 1400m. B-Aston Mullins Stud & S Barrow Esq. *140,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT; 45,000gns HRA '23 TATAUT. **GSP-Eng. VIDEO

Bakeel (GB), g, 4, Sioux Nation--Volute (Fr), by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire). King Abdulaziz, 11-15, Cond., 1200m. B-Volute Partnership. *€31,000 Wlg '20 ARQDEC; €77,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG. VIDEO

WORLDWIDE NEWS

NAMUR AND SOUL RUSH CLASH WITH EUROPE'S STAR MILER CHARYN IN THE MILE CHAMPIONSHIP by Heather Anderson



Namur | Japan Racing Association

In 2023, **Namur (Jpn)** (Harbinger {GB}) parlayed a victory in the G2 Fuji Stakes en route to a neck defeat of **Soul Rush (Jpn)** (Rulership {Jpn}) in the G1 Mile Championship. This term, the top Japanese pair face a tougher ask, as Europe's Champion Miler elect **Charyn (Ire)** (Dark Angel {Ire}) attempts to become

the first international winner of the race since it was opened to worldwide participation in 1998.

Trained by Tomokazu Takano, Namur will have pilot Cristian Demuro at the controls and they will break from stall four. Third to Hong Kong wunderkind Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro) in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Mile last December, the bay went one better in the G1 Dubai Turf at Meydan in March. Unplaced with some trouble in the G1 Victoria Mile, Namur was only a half-length behind reigning Hong Kong Horse of the Year Romantic Warrior (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) in the G1 Yasuda Kinen over this trip in Tokyo on June 2. Sunday is her first run back.

Takano said, "She is coming off a layoff, but she's had regular work and I figured she didn't need to do any really fast work. She actually has more muscle mass now and I hope that will show itself in a powerful performance. She's much more experienced and I can feel that. I'm sure the late Kota Fujioka [who rode in the Mile Championship last year] will be cheering us on and, as the defending champion, I don't want to lose.

Multiple group winner Soul Rush has frequently clashed with Namur, and has a chance to turn the tables on Sunday. Fourth in the aforementioned Hong Kong Mile, he defeated 2022 Mile Championship hero **Serifos (Jpn)** (Daiwa Major {Jpn}) when winning his second G2 Yomiuri Milers Cup in three years this spring, before taking third behind Romantic Warrior and Namur in the Yasuda Kinen in June. He warmed up for this with a second to **Jun Blossom (Jpn)** (World Ace {Jpn}) in the G2 Fuji Stakes over this trip at Tokyo on Oct. 19.

Assistant trainer Yuki Iwasaki said, "With an eye to this race, we had him at a little less than peak condition for the Fuji Stakes. Everything has gone well. He's gotten the same preparation as he always has and last year he finished a very frustrating second. I really want him to get a Group 1 title."

Nurlan Bizakov's Charyn got his 4-year-old season going in March with a listed win, and he has finished first or second in all seven 2024 appearances. The G1 Queen Anne Stakes and G1 Prix Jacques le Marois went his way in succession in June and August, respectively. Second when given too much to do in the G1 Prix du Moulin, the grey won the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes in what will surely be contrastingly soft going on QIPCO Champions Day at Ascot on Oct. 19. The Mile Championship is his swansong, before beginning stallion duties for Bizakov's Sumbe at Haras de Montfort et Preaux for €35,000 next year.

Trainer Roger Varian said, "He's given us some brilliant days and hopefully there is one more to come. He has come out of Ascot so well and we were always keen to come. It is a challenge and it's a sporting challenge. It's admirable of his owner Nurlan Bizakov to support that challenge. Nurlan is here and is very excited." Cont. p13



Charyn | Horsephotos

G1 Mile Championship Preview Cont.

He said, "It's a very different style and tempo of racing and while Charyn is the highest-rated horse in the race, we're not underestimating the challenge he faces."

"He's in great form, he has an unbelievable temperament and a very relaxed mentality," continued Varian of his charge, who will be ridden by Ryan Moore. "He's took the long journey and quarantine in his stride. Of course, you never quite know until the gates open, but for all the world he looks in great nick and hopefully that proves to be the case. It's nice to have a good one competing on Japanese soil and we keep our fingers crossed for Sunday."

The ultra-consistent **Brede Weg (Jpn)** (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}) is another to watch in the Mile Championship. Flying the Sunday Racing colours, the 4-year-old filly, a Group 1 winner in the Queen Elizabeth II Cup over 2200 metres last year, has made only one start this season when winning the G2 Fuchu Himba Stakes on Oct. 14 and will be trying a mile for the first time.

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HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB AIMING TO ATTRACT YOUNGER RACEGOERS WITH SHA TIN IMPROVEMENTS

Following the news that age restrictions might be loosened to allow under 18s to attend the races in Hong Kong, a slew of improvements to Sha Tin Racecourse geared toward a younger demographic have been announced by the Hong Kong Jockey Club. The news was first reported by the *South China Morning Post*.

In an interview with the *SCMP*, the HKJC CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges said his organisation was "grateful that the government endorsed this and made this part of its policy

address". "[You only have to] look at the whole excitement which has been created by the news that Hong Kong racing will be part of an official tourism offer," he added.

"We wanted to create a completely new arrival and new experience for tourists, because what we have currently is not what we think will be a holistic tourist experience."

"We have a lot of new people come to Hong Kong [that] were not familiar with racing," he added. "So what kind of experience do you have to create for them?"

Some of the planned improvements are new restaurants targeted toward young people, and a digital version of Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro) that will greet guests at the course in advance of the 2025-26 season, and a "Pony World" in the Sha Tin infield. Happy Valley will also offer new amenities, including a digital parade ring and Al-generated racecards. The planned improvements are scheduled to be completed by December of 2025.

"Our most attractive offering we see when we do carnivals or in the public riding schools is taking photos with ponies," Engelbrecht-Bresges said. "So this is a value proposition which obviously works, and for pony rides you always have a long queue. So this will be part of this entertainment experience for the public and especially with families.

"There is no betting. We will create a completely new zone. It's completely different from the normal racecourse experience. But we feel with this strategy, we want to create an experience for tourists which will be unique.

"When you look at Hong Kong racing, we want to promote the sport and sports entertainment. This is our key value proposition and this is for all segments."

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ROMANTIC WARRIOR, EMERGING STARS ON TRIAL FOR LONGINES HKIR by Alan Carasso

Reigning Hong Kong Horse of the Year **Romantic Warrior (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}), winner of five elite-level events in Australia, Hong Kong and Japan in 2023-2024, kicks off what promises to be an audacious season in Sunday's G2 BOCHK Jockey Club Cup over his pet distance of 2000 metres at Sha Tin Racecourse.

A history-making winner of the G1 W S Cox Plate at Moonee Valley a little over a year ago, the Tattersalls October and Hong Kong International Sale graduate defended his title in the Longines Hong Kong Cup and added the Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup and a third FWD QE II Cup before finishing the campaign with a breathtaking score in the Yasuda Kinen in Tokyo.

He'll be an unfinished article come Sunday, with the international races three weeks away, but he towers over the competition and should make light work of the task at hand.

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James McDonald jets up from Australia to renew acquaintances.

"He is good and he's had a lot of preparation. (Jockey) Hugh (Bowman) rode him for his trials and we had very positive reports," said trainer Danny Shum of the 6-year-old, who carries a five-pound penalty. "Of course he's not (100%). But, to be honest, his condition is much better than when he went to Melbourne in the early part of last season. The horse is happy, the jockey is on top form and there's not a really strong field, so I'm confident he can run a good race."

Tentative plans call for Romantic Warrior to focus on dirt races in early 2025, with the G1 Saudi Cup and G1 Dubai World Cup potentially on the dance card.



Romantic Warrior | *HKJC photo*

"We've got the plan to send him to Dubai and Saudi, so I wanted to trial him on the dirt with the pacifiers and see if it helps," Shum told *South China Morning Post*. "Romantic Warrior is very special and the Saudi Cup is the most important race for him. Maybe he cannot win, but if he runs in the first four, it will be a huge achievement."

Romantic Warrior is within shouting distance of Golden Sixty (Aus) (Medaglia d'Oro)'s world-record earnings, and with that treble HOTY enjoying retirement, Galaxy Patch (Aus) (Wandjina {Aus}) looms the heir apparent in that division and should take all the beating in the G2 BOCHK Private Wealth Jockey Club Mile.

Group 1-placed behind California Spangle (Ire)

(Starspangledbanner {Aus}) over 1400 metres last March, he was aggressively spotted just two weeks later in the 2000-metre BMW Hong Kong Derby and came with a late burst to just miss behind Massive Sovereign (Ire) (No Nay Never). Since struggling with the wet ground in the G1 FWD Champions Mile in April, he

has rattled off three straight at group level, including a 1 1/2-length defeat of the classy **Voyage Bubble (Aus)** (Deep Field {Aus}) and **Chancheng Glory** (Mor Spirit) in the G2 Sha Tin Trophy Handicap Oct. 13.

The aforementioned California Spangle, winner of last year's G1 Al Quoz Sprint, makes an appearance in Sunday's G2 BOCHK Private Banking Jockey Club Sprint, where he will once again have **Ka Ying Rising (NZ)** (Shamexpress {NZ}) to deal with. Seven-from-nine in his career, the 4-year-old was a Group 3 winner at the tail end of last season and has picked up where he left off this term, with an easy Class 1 score opening day followed by a smooth success at long odds-on in the Oct. 20 G2 Premier Bowl Handicap. Behind him that day were the reopposing **Helios Express (Aus)** (Toronado {Ire}) and California Spangle and it will take something unexpected to see him beaten on Sunday.

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GROSSER PREIS DER WOHNSTATTE KREFELD - HERZOG VON RATIBOR-RENNEN-G3, €55,000, 2yo, 8 1/2fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	4	Zunder (Ger)	Lord Of England (Ger)	Rohne	Wolff	128
2	6	Nicoreni (Ger)	Brametot (Ire)	Schiergen	Vogt	127
3	7	Kolsch (Ger)	Millowitsch (Ger)	Klug	Cadeddu	126
4	1	Pompeo Dream (Fr)	Muhaarar (GB)	Nedorostek	Hammer Hansen	126
5	5	Bastion (Ger)	Brametot (Ire)	Pecheur	Seidl	122
6	3	Lips Vega (Ire)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Suborics	Boutin	122
7	2	Place Fontenoy (Fr)	War Command	Ziemianski	Panov	122

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

MILE CHAMPIONSHIP-G1, ¥347,160,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Comstock Lode (Jpn)	Silver State (Jpn)	Miyuki	Munakata	123
2	Brede Weg (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Lemaire	Miyata	123
3	Balsam Note (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Kitamura	Takano	127
4	Namur (Jpn)	Harbinger (GB)	Demuro	Takano	123
5	Jun Blossom (Jpn)	World Ace (Jpn)	Tosaki	Tomomichi	127
6	Obamburumai (Jpn)	Discreet Cat	Take	Yoshimura	127
7	Matenro Sky (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Yokoyama	Matsunaga	127
8	Fierce Pride (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Starke	Kunieda	123
9	Nihonpiro Kyiv (Jpn)	Kitasan Black (Jpn)	Taguchi	Ohashi	127
10	Labeling (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Tsumura	Shikato	127
11	Charyn (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Moore	Varian	127
12	Al Naseem (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Fujioka	Hashiguchi	127
13	Soul Rush (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Danno	lkee	127
14	Win Marvel (Jpn)	I'll Have Another	Matsuyama	Fukayama	127
15	Serifos (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Kawada	Nakauchida	127
16	Time To Heaven (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Shibata	Toda	127
17	Elton Barows (Jpn)	Deep Brilliante (Jpn)	Nishimura	Sugiyama	127

Breeders: 1-Big Red Farm, 2-Northern Farm, 3-Northern Farm, 4-Northern Farm, 5-Northern Racing, 6-Sunday Hills, 7-Northern Racing, 8-Godolphin, 9-Hyakutaro Kobayashi, 10-Sir Nicholas & Lady Nugent, 11-Grangemore Stud, 12-Northern Farm, 13-Shimokobe Farm, 14-Cosmo View Farm, 15-Oiwake Farm, 16-Dream Farm, Ltd., 17-Hirotsugu Inokuma.

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 3:30 p.m.

BOCHK PRIVATE BANKING JOCKEY CLUB SPRINT-G2, HK\$5,350,000, 3yo/up, 1200mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	4	California Spangle (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Avdulla	Cruz	128
2	1	Victor the Winner (Aus)	Toronado (Ire)	Leung	Shum	128
3	11	Invincible Sage (Aus)	Thronum (Aus)	Ferraris	Hall	128
4	10	Ka Ying Rising (NZ)	Shamexpress (NZ)	Purton	Hayes	123
5	8	Lucky With You (Aus)	Artie Schiller	Atzeni	Lor	123
6	9	Flying Ace (NZ)	Swiss Ace (Aus)	Poon	Hall	123
7	5	Howdeepisyourlove (Aus)	Deep Field (Aus)	McDonald	Size	123
8	2	Mugen (Aus)	Deep Field (Aus)	Teetan	Ng	123
9	6	Helios Express (Aus)	Toronado (Ire)	Bowman	Size	123
10	3	Beauty Waves (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Badel	Ng	123
11	12	Copartner Prance (Aus)	Epaulette (Aus)	Hewitson	Lui	123
12	7	Majestic Knight (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Yeung	Whyte	123

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4:05 p.m.

BOCHK PRIVATE WEALTH JOCKEY CLUB MILE-G2, HK\$5,350,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	9	Voyage Bubble (Aus)	Deep Field (Aus)	McDonald	Yiu	128
2	6	Beauty Eternal (Aus)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Purton	Size	128
3	8	Straight Arron (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Avdulla	Yiu	123
4	4	Beauty Joy (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Chadwick	Cruz	123
5	5	Galaxy Patch (Aus)	Wandjina (Aus)	Но	Ng	123
6	7	Happy Together (Ire)	Dragon Pulse (Ire)	Badel	Lor	123
7	1	Red Lion (Ire)	Belardo (Ire)	Bowman	Size	123
8	3	Taj Dragon (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Atzeni	Ng	123
9	2	Chancheng Glory 🛷	Mor Spirit	Teetan	Lui	123

Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong, post time: 4:40 p.m.

BOCHK JOCKEY CLUB CUP-G2, HK\$5,350,000, 3yo/up, 2000mT (PPs)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Romantic Warrior (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	McDonald	Shum	128
2	4	Nimble Nimbus (NZ)	Sacred Falls (NZ)	Chau	Yiu	123
3	9	Five G Patch (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Avdulla	Cruz	123
4	6	Encountered (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Bowman	Hall	123
5	5	La City Blanche (Arg)	Cityscape (GB)	Chadwick	Cruz	123
6	10	Sword Point (Aus)	American Pharoah	Leung	Lor	123
7	3	Ka Ying Generation (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Atzeni	Ng	123
8	11	Ensued 🖛	Lemon Drop Kid	Teetan	Size	123
9	2	Money Catcher (NZ)	Ferlax (NZ)	Poon	Lor	123
10	7	Awesome Fluke (Aus)	Awesome Rock (Aus)	Ferraris	Yiu	123
11	8	Winning Dragon (Chi)	Ivan Denisovich	Badel	Cruz	123
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