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Uncle Mo at Ashford Stud in 2019 | Sarah Andrew

by J.N. Campbell and Alan Carasso

Champion 2-year-old colt and leading sire **Uncle Mo** (Indian Charlie--Playa Maya, by Arch) was euthanized at Ashford Stud on Thursday morning after suffering a left foreleg injury, according to a tweet by Mike Repole on X and post on the Coolmore America website. Surgery was performed on Wednesday. He was 16-years-old.

"I am devastated and saddened to share with you that Uncle Mo was euthanized earlier today following a left foreleg injury," said Repole. "He had surgery yesterday. Unfortunately, this morning the recovery process was too much for him to endure.

"The Repole Stable family, Todd Pletcher family and the entire Coolmore family are heartbroken," he said. "Uncle Mo was so much more to me than a champion and iconic stallion--he was and always will be a part of my family. Uncle Mo is the patriarch of Repole Stable. There will never be another horse that makes me feel or will impact my life the way that Uncle Mo has.

"I want to thank Todd Pletcher and his barn, Johnny Velazquez, the Coolmore Family, especially Uncle Mo's personal groom, Rene, and for everyone who loved Uncle Mo, for all the love and support they gave Uncle Mo," Repole said. Cont. p3

"I'M MAD AND ANGRY": PUYPE CASE RAISES KEY POINTS IN HIWU ENFORCEMENT

By Dan Ross

In 2024, maintaining a racing stable in California has become a shaky endeavor for license holders both large and small, prolific and select. But for California trainer Mike Puype, this year has been especially fraught.

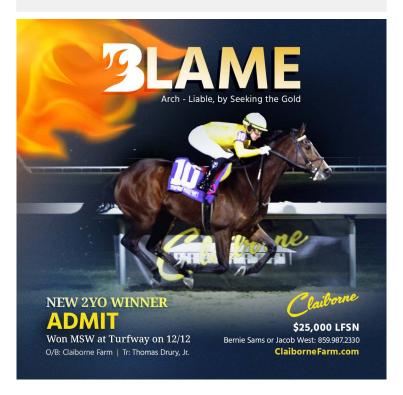
For much of this year, Puype had hanging over his head the threat of a possible four-year ban and \$50,000 fine after investigators found Isoxsuprine tablets and Levothyroxine powder--two once relatively common substances in horse racing now banned under HISA--during a routine barn search in April of this year.

Last week, an independent arbitrator who presided over a November hearing in the case issued Puype a three-month and 17-day suspension (time served during a prior provisional suspension period) along with a \$1,000 fine. **Cont. p7**

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Haras d'Etreham's Nicolas de Chambure provides the lowdown on the Poule d'Essai des Poulains winner **Metropolitan (Fr)** (Zarak {Fr}) ahead of his first season at the stud in 2025.



THE NYQLIST



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Some 19 months after a freak accident at Gulfstream Park nearly spelled doom to her career, jockey Chantal Sutherland returns to competitive race riding Friday at Meydan with a mount for Dubai World Cup-winning trainer Bhupat Seemar.

11 | SANTA ANITA TO LOWER MINIMUM CLAIMING PRICE

Bottom-level claiming horses will now run for \$8,000 tags in maidens and \$5,000 for other horses after the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) approved that request by a vote of 4-0 on Thursday.



Uncle Mo Passes Away cont. from p1

"I am so grateful for the time that Uncle Mo and I spent together this May. Thank you Uncle Mo for fulfilling my childhood dreams of owning a special racehorse.

"I love you Uncle Mo," he said. Rest In Peace." Coolmore added their own post on their website and paid homage to the top sire.

"We're all still in shock," said Coolmore America's Dermot Ryan. "He will be greatly missed by everyone here in particular by his personal groom Rene. He was an exceptional sire both on the racetrack and in the sales ring. I would like to thank Mike Repole for giving us the opportunity to stand him in the first instance and for being a truly fantastic partner, Todd Pletcher for training him to perfection, the Coolmore partners for placing such faith in him and our loyal clients for their unwavering support over the years.

Ryan added, "I would also like to thank Dr. Barry David, Dr. Bob Hunt and Dr. Cole Sandow of Hagyards for their efforts to save him along with all the team here at Ashford for the excellent care they afforded him throughout his time here."

Bred by D. Michael Cavey DVM, Uncle Mo was sold as a weanling for \$160,000 at the 2008 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale and then it was Repole who purchased him during Keeneland September for \$220,000.



Uncle Mo breaks his maiden at the Spa | Sarah Andrew

Debuting on the Travers undercard at Saratoga in 2010, the word was out on the Todd Pletcher trainee, and he duly obliged, breakinge his maiden by a whopping 14 1/4 lengths going six furlongs as the 9-10 favorite and earned a no-brainer 'TDN Rising Star' for his effort. Uncle Mo then dominated the GI Champagne Stakes at Belmont Park by 4 3/4 lengths and wrapped up the 2-year-old Eclipse Award with a 4 1/4-length defeat of Boys at Tosconova (Officer) in that year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Churchill Downs. Cont. p4





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Uncle Mo cont.

Uncle Mo's 3-year-old campaign began with a score in the Timely Writer Stakes at Gulfstream Park in March and he finished third in the GI Wood Memorial Stakes at Aqueduct. The GI Kentucky Derby morning-line second choice on the, Uncle Mo was forced to scratch on the day of the race with a gastrointestinal issue.

Sent to WinStar Farm to deal with what was diagnosed as cholangiohepatitis—a liver and bile passage inflammation—the colt returned after nearly six months and was the run down on the wire in the GI King's Bishop Stakes at the Spa. Back to winning ways in a sloppy-track renewal of the one—mile GII Kelso Handicap at Belmont, he was unplaced behind Drosselmeyer (Distorted Humor) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic before being retired to stand at Coolmore with a record of 5-1-1 from eight starts and earnings of \$1,606,000.



Uncle Mo fans at Aqueduct | Sarah Andrew

It did not take long for Uncle Mo to make his mark in the breeding shed, as his first crop yielded nearly 100 individual winners, 25 of which became black-type winners of which 14 were achieved in graded stakes company. There was no better advertisement from that first group of horses than Nyquist, who followed in his sire's hoofprints in becoming the champion of his generation in 2015 before adding the GI Kentucky Derby the following spring. Repole homebred Outwork was one of three additional top-level scores from the crop of 2013, earning that accolade in the 2016 GI Wood Memorial Stakes, and he was joined by GI Darley Alcibiades Stakes heroine Gomo and future GI Apple Blossom Handicap victress Unbridled Mo.

To date, Uncle Mo has accounted for 15 Grade I winners, among them the brilliantly fast Golden Pal, winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint in 2020 and the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint the following season. Cont. p5

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Tom Ryan on the \$975,000 colt by MUNNINGS at The Saratoga Sale



2025 FEE: \$65,000

Uncle Mo cont.

Golden Pal is set to carry on the legacy of his sire at Ashford, who also stand Uncle Mo's Grade I-winning turf horse Mo Town. Uncle Mo's other Grade I winners include: Adare Manor, who sold for \$2.8 million at this year's Fasig-Tipton November Sale, A Mo Reay, Bast, Dream Tree and Mo Forza. Overall, Uncle Mo is responsible for 109 stakes winners to date, some 56 at the graded level, and his progeny have earned nearly \$125 million.



Golden Pal at Ashford | Sarah Andrew

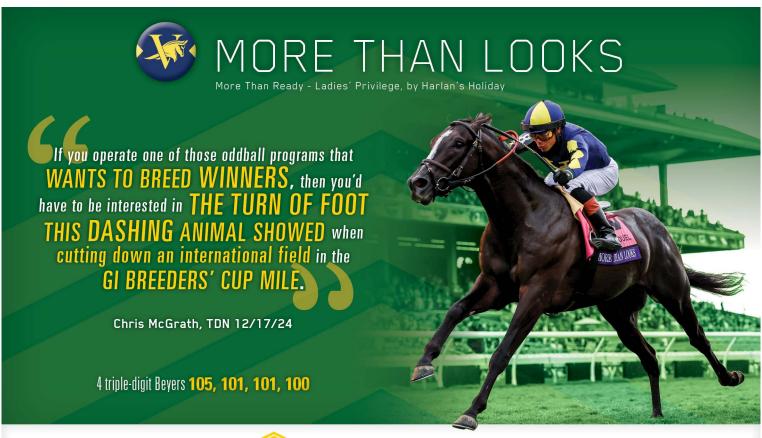
Uncle Mo is also an emerging sire of sires, in addition to Darley America's Nyquist. GI Belmont Stakes winner Mo Donegal, champion sprinter Yaupon and GI Stephen Foster Stakes hero Kingsbarns each reside at Spendthrift Farm, Caracaro holds court at Crestwood Farm and \$2.3-million OBS April topper Arabian Knight is a new addition to the stallion roster at Hill 'n' Dale Farms. In 2020, Nyquist, Laoban and Outwork occupied three of the top four spots on the first-crop sire list.

One of Uncle Mo's top accolades was the 2015 record he set as a freshman sire for earnings with \$3,717,490, which dethroned the great Tapit. Ashford's stud held that mark until 2021 when Gun Runner eclipsed it. Nyquist propelled Uncle Mo into third on the general sires' list of 2016 and he maintained a spot in the top 20 for the next three seasons. The third-leading general sire of 2020, Uncle Mo finished 2021 in eighth place, improved into sixth the following year and was the fourthleading sire in 2023. Uncle Mo is currently among the top 10 sires for 2024.

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Uncle Mo cont.

In addition to the aforementioned Arabian Knight, Mo Town and Caracaro, Uncle Mo has been represented by a total of 19 'TDN Rising Stars', four of which have achieved the distinction in 2024, including SW & GISP Donegal Momentum, the Todd Pletcher-trained GII Saratoga Special Stakes winner Showcase, MSW Long Neck Paula and Star of Wonder, a once-beaten halfbrother to GI Kentucky Oaks winner Shedaresthedevil (Daredevil).

Uncle Mo is only just hitting his straps as a broodmare sire, and his prowess now and going forward has no better representative than champion 3-year-old filly elect and 'TDN Rising Star' Thorpedo Anna. Daughters of Uncle Mo have also produced this year's GI Arkansas Derby-winning 'Rising Star' Muth (Good Magic), Howard Wolowitz (Munnings) and the late Geaux Rocket Ride (Candy Ride (Arg)). With much more to come, Uncle Mo daughters have accounted for 24 black-type winners, 12 at the graded level.

The young progeny of Uncle Mo have been increasingly sought-after in domestic auction houses, as he was represented by no fewer than five seven-figure sellers at the 2023 Keeneland September Sale, while a yearling colt out of the stakes-placed Spring Eclipse (Unbridled's Song) fetched an even \$1 million at this year's September Sale. His 2-year-olds sold for up to \$750,000 this season.

Uncle Mo's trainer Todd Pletcher said when reached by phone, "Just super sad for everyone involved. He's such a special horse. I remember the first time I saw him train in March of his 2-yearold year and he was just awesome.

"Uncle Mo absolutely stood out in the crop and came in," he said. "And I think you could argue he was the best 2-year-old of all-time. His maiden win at Saratoga was as impressive as you'll ever see followed by the win in the Champagne. And I think people that look at speed figures would agree his Breeders' Cup was one of the best for sure.

"And then he goes on and becomes a great sire," said Pletcher. "He has a Derby winner in his first crop and now it looks like he's well on his way to being a terrific broodmare sire. It's a big loss for the Repole organization, our team and a big loss for the industry." -- Additional reporting by Bill Finley

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Mike Puype cont. from p1

For the trainer, the outcome was probably the best he could have hoped for. "I can tell you that it's brutal to know the game you love--a game all you know--can be taken away from you," said Puype Wednesday morning during the middle of training.

The journey to this point raises several key questions about the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit's (HIWU) approach to policing the industry.



Trainer Mike Puype | Benoit

When the charges were first issued, HISA's rules required Puype to be issued a provisional suspension. This meant he was barred from training before he had a chance to argue his case in a formal hearing.

HISA has since recommended that provisional suspensions be issued only in limited circumstances, including when the violation "presents a substantial risk to the integrity of racing and/or the welfare of horses," a move that illustrates HISA's ability and willingness to adapt and evolve.

At the same time, HIWU sought maximum penalties against Puype that, if successful, would have effectively ended his career. But how warranted was this?

Independent arbitrator Barbara Reeves described Puype's fault in the case as being at the lowest end of the "light" range; this, also, for a trainer who can boast both rare respect amongst his peers and near blemish-free drug record.

With nearly 5,500 starts under his belt, Puype has had only two minor medication infractions over the last 18 years. One for a methocarbamol overage, and one overage for stomach ulcer medication omeprazole (otherwise known as GastroGard). As Reeves put it in her final decision, "it is not clear to the Arbitrator what HIWU was attempting to accomplish in the way it prosecuted this matter."



A key practical and philosophical question that arises from the case, therefore, is this: If HIWU's ultimate mission is to catch the cheats who impugn the sport, what responsibility does it also have to protect racing's honest players from injustice?

For their part, HIWU stands by its legal approach in the case. But Puype is an under-the-radar type of character, and the near eight-month ordeal has had a profound effect on him, both professionally (he reckons he's lost as much as 30% of his horses during this time), and psychologically.

"I'm mad and angry," he said. "I'm going to absolutely need counselling to find out how to get rid of this anger in my body."

The Case

On Apr. 24 this year, four HIWU investigators descended upon Puype's barn at Santa Anita, combed through the barn area and the tack room and unearthed two containers of Isoxsuprine tablets and two containers of Levothyroxine (more commonly known as ThyroL) powder.

The Isoxsuprine tablets were found in a blue portable cooler, with expiration dates of 2012 and 2013. Pupye and his two assistants swore that the cooler and the tablets belonged to a former employee who had left in 2022, and that they weren't aware of the cooler's contents.

Mike Puype cont.

One of Puype's assistants attested that the blue cooler "has been in a corner with boots and other things piled on it for many years and has always remained at Santa Anita," according to a pre-hearing brief.

The Levothyroxine powders were in a locked cabinet, the combination to which it strongly appears was known only by Puype's assistants and not the trainer himself, according to case documents. One canister of Thyro-L dated March 2021 was unopened and unused. The other cannister dated February 2016 was mostly empty.

At the time these medications were prescribed, the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) deemed them legal for use. The arbitrator determined that both substances were likely prescribed by veterinarian Jeff Blea (now the CHRB equine medical director), who between 2014 and 2019 performed veterinary work for Puype. Blea couldn't prove this as veterinarians are only required to maintain three years of records.

Both substances are now on HISA's banned substances list. Thyro-L, used in the treatment of hypothyroidism in horses, has become especially controversial, ever since a CHRB report into the sudden deaths of seven Bob Baffert-trained horses between 2011 and 2013 suggested widespread thyroxine use in the barn could have been a contributing factor.

Throughout, Puype insisted that he would never administer expired medications. Nor did HIWU allege that he had. This was always a case of "possession."

Arbitrator Barbara Reeves called Puype out for not properly searching and removing from his barn these banned substances. "There was no indication of any intention or wrongdoing by Mr. Puype, other than the imperfect 'search and purge,'" wrote Reeves, in her final decision.

Indeed, before HISA's anti-doping and medication control program went into effect in May of last year, representatives from HISA and HIWU repeatedly warned stakeholders of the consequences of both possessing and administering banned substances.

For his part, Puype doesn't dispute the fact that he screwed up, and that he deserved some kind of punishment for not properly giving his barn a thorough sweep.

"It's that simple--I deserved a penalty for bad housekeeping," said Puype. "But I didn't deserve to have my livelihood threatened, of possibly having to sell my house and ruining my financial future."

A few weeks before the formal hearing on Nov. 22, HIWU attempted to settle the case, said Puype, offering him as a compromise a one-year suspension and a fine of \$12,500. A week later, they offered him a 10-month ban, he said.



Puype declined both through fear of what that would do to his training career.

"I turned it down," said Puype. "I told my lawyer, 'yes, a year is less than four years. But here's the thing. A year is still termination of your business, too. My owners aren't going to stay with my assistant for that long."

After that, HIWU in their pre-hearing brief sought a possible maximum penalty against Puype, constituting two banned substance possession charges--a maximum two-year ban and \$25,000 fine each-placed back-to-back.

Puype contends that such consecutive sentencing would have gone against the World Anti-Doping Code (WADA) which is applicable in these cases, and against the language in HISA's own rules for first-time offenders.

Reeves obviously agreed. In her final decision, she wrote that the four-year ban would have been career ending. In an unusual move, she took pointed aim at HIWU's punitive approach to the trainer, and for their own sloppy legal work.

"It is not clear to the Arbitrator what HIWU was attempting to accomplish in the way it prosecuted this matter. Although the facts established nothing more than an imperfect search, HIWU filed its standard "Possession" charges and brief (labelled 'HIWU's Pre- Hearing Brief (Possession)') and negligently failed to remove the name of the prior trainer against whom the brief had been filed ('Trainer Valery,') from the text," Reeves wrote.

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Kloepatra

Dual stakes-winning daughter of Cairo Prince out of Kaiserin, by Tiznow. Granddaughter of G3 winner La Reina and from the family of G1 winners Queena, Chic Shirine, Brahms and more. In foal to Life Is Good.

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Shot in the Dark

2-year-old colt by Uncle Mo out of the winning Bernardini mare Spare Change. From the family of Horse of the Year Flightline, Shot in the Dark was runner-up in maiden special weight company at Gulfstream Park in November. Offered as a racing or stallion prospect.

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f. Maxfield - Facepaint

Second foal out of Face Paint, by Candy Ride (ARG), a daughter of Grade 1 winner, Game Face.

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f. Mo Donegal - Forever Loyal

From the first crop of Belmont S. (G1) winner, Mo Donegal. Out of Forever Loyal, a winner by Malibu Moon. A half-sister to Mischievous M, a 3-year-old stakes-placed winner in 2024. *Consigned by Ashview Farm, Agent*

Hip 884

f. Cyberknife - Oil Empress

Half-sister to three stakes performers, including Pilgrim S. (G3) runner-up J. S. Choice. Out of the winning Empire Maker mare Oil Empress.

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Hip 885

Meadow Dance

Stakes-winning mare by Jimmy Creed who was third in the Darley Alcibiades S. (G1) and second in the Sugar Swirl S. (G3). In foal to Instagrand.

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Puype cont.

Compared to other HIWU-related cases involving the possession of banned substances, however, Puype was lucky.

"To date, HIWU has pursued Possession violations for Banned Substances against 20 other Covered Persons, of which 14 involved the Possession of levothyroxine and/or isoxsuprine. Twelve were public before the date of Mr. Puype's search, and the shortest final suspension issued from those cases was 14 months," HIWU wrote, in response to a list of questions.

And so, now the case is essentially closed, what lessons can be gleaned?

Moving Forward



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On the one hand, his case illustrates HISA's ability and willingness to adapt.

When HIWU first issued its charges against Puype, the case circumstances meant that a provisional suspension was a formality. Puype then agreed to a provisional hearing, at which an independent arbitrator (different from Reeves) determined that his provisional suspension should not be lifted.

In November, however, HISA announced that HIWU should only impose provisional suspensions in very specific circumstances, at which time, most active provisional suspensions were lifted, including Puype's.

The Breeders' Cup-winning Puype--a highly respected trainer in California and someone whose case garnered the attention and support of several influential figures--suspects his circumstances helped move this needle on provisional suspensions.

"It wasn't just my case--there's a little more," he said. "But a big part of it was my case."

And he also hopes his case moves the needle in other ways, including when it comes to the extreme financial toll a legal defense against HIWU can take--especially for those small-time trainers lacking the same stable of influential supporters to champion their cause.

Puype said that originally, he wasn't going to hire an attorney until he was threatened with a possible four-year ban, and the gravity of his situation set in. Puype declined to say how much he has spent on attorney's fees. Defendants in other cases have said that it can soon grow into the six-figure mark.

Furthermore, HIWU sought for Puype to cover their attorney's fees. Though HIWU was ultimately unsuccessful, Puype estimates this alone could have set him back by more than \$100,000.

HISA offers certain financially strapped trainers pro-bono legal representation. According to HIWU, 15 individuals have to date used this service.

"They go for the heavy penalties, the heavy fines," said Puype.
"Many good guys, they have no chance to challenge them."

Puype also urges HIWU's prosecutors to use more discretion and "common sense" in the way they pursue cases.

Punishments could better fit the crime, he said. A trainer's broader record should also matter, he urged.

"I'm not a guy that lived off cheating. Past records mean everything. And for them to sit and say, 'your past means nothing,' it means everything in this industry," said Puype.

HIWU stands by its approach. "HIWU believes the final decision issued by the arbitrator to be inconsistent with the facts of the case, prior ADMC Program decisions (e.g., Perez), and the language of the ADMC Program Rules themselves," HIWU wrote, in response to the *TDN*'s request for a statement. "For example, the decision ignores the trainer responsibility rule and the number of substances that were possessed when determining Mr. Puype's sanctions.

"That said, the ADMC Program's adjudication system worked as intended, and HIWU respects the outcome reached. Both parties had the opportunity to fully present their case before a neutral arbitrator appointed by a third party who rendered her own independent decision in this matter."

For his part, Puype says he has mixed emotions about HISA. On the one hand, he understands why racing desperately needs a uniform regulator. "I don't disagree with their existence at all-the game needs to be governed," he said. But he said he has been badly burned by events from the last eight months.

"I have other issues to still be dealt with going forward. It's not just a case of 'okay, you're released because the arbitrator says so.' It gets deeper than that. There are a lot of problems that are in my head that I've got to clear," said Puype, who said he has lost several owners this year. **Cont. p10**

"This gets deeper than the money. You can always overcome money. It's the psyche, the mental [damage], and everything that's happened here to me as a human being. I'm a guy that that shoots from hip. Shoots straight with my owners. I've been that way my whole life," he said. "I've always lived my life with honesty."

ON A MISSION, CHANTAL SUTHERLAND

RETURNS TO RIDING FRIDAY IN DUBAI

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Sutherland accepted the offer to ride for Semar rather than returning to Gulfstream.

"I'll be here until Apr. 15," she said. "I chose Dubai because if I came back to Gulfstream off an injury and had to compete against Irad and Tyler Gaffalione and the rest, that was going to be tough. There are some fabulous riders at Gulfstream. These guys are no joke and they are really good jockeys. You have to have bring your 'A game.' I'm not saying I don't have my 'A game' but those guys have most of the business locked up.

The injury could have not come at a worse time for Sutherland. After some lean years, she was once again riding five or six a day and winning races. One of the big differences is that trainer Jorge Delgado started giving her a lot of live mounts. She won 83 races in 2021--the most since she had 152 wins in 2010.

Then came the accident, which occurred in the English Channel Stakes aboard Haruki (Karakontie {(Jpn)}.

"I picked up that horse in the stakes and was riding seven or eight a day," she said. "I was rolling, doing very well in my career. I was really happy to be riding at Gulfstream and living in Florida. Unfortunately, that horse really freaked out, which is normal for a horse because they are flight animals. There was nothing I could do to stop him or help myself. He pivoted really hard to the right. I fell off to the left. He also banged into winner of race and that jockey fell off as well."

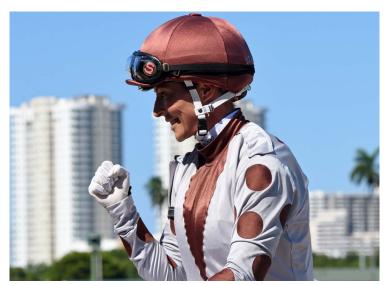


by Bill Finley

It's been nearly a year-and-a-half since Chantal Sutherland last rode. Her career was sidelined May 6, 2023 after a freak accident at Gulfstream when she pulled her mount up when the horse was frightened by geese crossing the track. Sutherland was thrown from the saddle and suffered a very serious injury. She snapped the humerus bone right off the shoulder and with her arm hanging grotesquely it was no longer attached to any part of her body. At time, the 48-year old rider grew so despondent that she feared that she would never ride again.

But she never gave up and she persisted. The reward, after a lot of hard work and soul-searching, is that she is now back. She will have her first mount back Friday evening in Dubai, where she will ride the debuting Pocket Phone (Ire) (Almanzor (Fr)) for trainer Bhupat Semar.

"I feel really good," she said. "I feel positive about it. It's time to make the move and jump back in. I always feel like I could be more perfect. You don't get super racing fit until you've had a few rides. As far as nerves, I'm good. I feel like I've done this a lot, a million times. I want to give the filly a really good race, get out of the gate and get good position. I want to focus on the small things and hopefully it will work out."



Chantal Sutherland | Ryan Thompson

Sutherland feels that accident was avoidable and that Gulfstream should have taken measures to keep the geese from crossing the track. Cont. p11



Chantal Sutherland cont.

"It was so weird to see something like that," Sutherland said. "It was a moment of real shock and horror. After that nothing else went well. The ambulance was not great and they didn't come to get me. I had to crawl over three tracks to get to the ambulance. Over all, it was a really bad experience. I feel that accident was avoidable. Every racetrack has a responsibility to make it safe for the jockeys and respect us and care about us. I felt like I got thrown to the curb."

She admits that she had trouble coming to grips over what had happened to her, which is that her life was turned upside down. Not only was she not riding, but she was earning no income and didn't any family members close by to help her with her recovery.

"There was a dark place I went to," she said. "About three months after the incident, there was pain and suffering and I was worried my body would never look the same. It was real. I was alone, not having family here for me. I had to do things like get someone to wash my hair for me. I went through some really tough times.

"For the last year and a half, things have not been easy financially," she said. "I still have property taxes and bills to pay and I had no one to help me. I don't have a husband to help. You dip into your savings and your retirement plan is untouchable. I feel happy now. I feel like I'm in the right place, where I need t be. I love racing. It's in my heart. I feel like this is my calling and passion. I know I can't do it forever, but as long as I have this opportunity, I am going for it and hope it works out. I'm on a mission."

She is looking forward to riding in Dubai and calls it "the coolest place on Earth." But she knows her future is back in the U.S. She said she will be based at Monmouth this summer, but plans to go anywhere Delgado needs her to go.

"I am going to go back to Monmouth to ride for Jorge Delgado," she said. "We talk regularly. I'll do New Jersey, Saratoga, Delaware Park, Parx. I am ready to work. I have to get back to where I was. I've gone through a tough process. I've definitely built more character. I don't know how much more character I need, but I got it anyway."

She doesn't know when that first win will come, which will be her first since Apr. 30, 2023. She does know that it's going to feel very good.

"I can't wait, are you kidding?" Sutherland said. "It will be magical. I hope it's for Christmas because I love Santa. But whenever it happens, it happens. I'm just so glad to be back."

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SANTA ANITA TO DROP CLAIMING MINIMUMS, POSSIBLY ADD DATES, IN RESPONSE TO NORCAL GOING DARK FOR NEXT SIX MONTHS



Santa Anita Park | Benoit

by T.D. Thornton

Starting the day after its Dec. 26 season opener, Santa Anita Park will drop its lowest-level claiming prices to \$8,000 for maidens and \$5,000 for other horses.

The downward class-level moves, along with the possibility that Southern California's main meet could add additional dates and/or races to its upcoming six-month season that runs through June 15, are part of a negotiated effort to "give more opportunities for horses that have historically raced in Northern California," according to a license application amendment request by Santa Anita.

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) unanimously approved that request by a 4-0 vote Thursday.

Those Dec. 19 decisions--which have the backing of the Thoroughbred Owners of California and the California Thoroughbred Trainers--were part of a multiple-stakeholder reaction to deal with Monday's revelation that there will be no NorCal "anchor" track running for the first half of 2025 until the traditional fairs season starts in that region of the state in the summer.

On Dec. 16, the California Authority of Racing Fairs board voted unanimously (with one abstention) to rescind a proposed Golden State Racing meet at Pleasanton spanning the first half of next year.

That CARF vote came on the heels of discussion at the CHRB meeting back on Nov. 21 that the now-concluded autumn Pleasanton meet wasn't living up to the business expectations that had fueled a hope that the former fairs-season-only track

might be able to fill the NorCal void that occurred when The Stronach Group (TSG) closed Golden Gate Fields back in June.

TSG also owns the financially struggling Santa Anita, which has now taken on the responsibility of trying to create racing opportunities for NorCal horses.

Nate Newby, the General Manager at Santa Anita, explained how the new lower-level races came about and would be worked into the daily mix.

"In the last three days, we've had a lot of productive meetings with pretty much all stakeholders; racing offices from every group in the state [and the] CTT, and [we've] come up with this," Newby said.

"Lowering the minimums, that was at their recommendation, and we were, of course, on board. And we're ready to provide racing opportunities and do everything we can," Newby said.

Newby noted that although Santa Anita's first condition book for the meet has already been published, "the racing office put out 'extras' [on Wednesday] for the first week, and they'll continue to put them out in advance."

Newby continued: "And then those races will be included starting in Book 2. But they'll be offered on race days starting the day after opening, so Dec. 27 will be the start of the new claiming hierarchy, he said.

Pleasanton will remain open as an 850-stall training facility before segueing into its fairs-season dates in the summer.

Details are being worked out to provide subsidies for shipping from Pleasanton, which Santa Anita management estimated at \$1,000 per round trip.

Santa Anita's supporting documentation also included the possibility that three-day racing weeks could expand to four days (and maybe five days on holiday or special-event weeks) if enough horses from NorCal swell the entries.

Santa Anita's documentation for the changes stated that each day's racing could consist of "between 7 and 11 races on weekdays and between 8 and 13 races on opening day, weekends, holidays, and closing week."

Thursday's subdued and generally somber monthly CHRB meeting lacked the impassioned (and often hours-long) stakeholder discourse that has hallmarked similar NorCal/SoCal discussions in recent years.

In fact, only one industry participant spoke during the public comments session to address Pleasanton's decision (at least for the time being) not to continue after one lackluster two-month meet as the region's anchor track, a situation that TSG's 1/ST Racing first put into motion by closing Golden Gate Fields.

Ellen Jackson, a longtime NorCal-based owner and breeder who retired from a three-decade training career in 2023, asked a single, succinct question of the CHRB commissioners.

"My observation is [that] the flaw in this whole system is that

once the 1/ST [Racing] group gets the Northern California simulcast money, what's to keep them from just withdrawing the training at Pleasanton or the subsidizing of the transportation or the purse structure? I don't see any guarantee for us," Jackson said.

The CHRB's chairman, Gregory Ferraro, DVM, answered in equally concise fashion.

"I think your guarantee is the board," Ferraro asserted, referring to the CHRB itself.

"And you're going to have our back?" Jackson queried.

"Yeah," Ferraro replied.

"Absolutely," added commissioner Dennis Alfieri.

Ferraro then provided more context.

"Listen, I know this is going to be a difficult period of time for this transition. We hope it works. If it doesn't work, we'll adjust it to make it work. And hopefully it's a temporary thing and we can, if things and times get better, we can go back to where we were." Ferraro said.

"But at this point in time, we really have no choice," Ferraro summed up.

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KEENELAND ADDS HALF DOZEN TO 2025 JANUARY HORSES OF ALL AGES SALE



Keeneland's January Sale | Keeneland

Keeneland has supplemented six horses--including MSW Kloepatra, who is carrying her first foal by Life Is Good--to the 2025 January Horses of All Ages Sale, the auction wing of the organization said in a Thursday press release.

Now with an offering of 1,312, the sale will cover three sessions from Jan. 13-15. The catalogue includes broodmare prospects, yearlings, horses of racing age and stallions and stallion prospects. Cont. p13



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The two in-foal broodmares among the supplements are:

- Kloepatra, a dual stakes-winning daughter of Cairo Prince out of Kaiserin, by Tiznow, who will be turning 6. Bred by Emory A. Hamilton and consigned by Grovendale Sales, agent, she is reported as in foal to Life Is Good.
- Meadow Dance, a stakes-winning mare by Jimmy Creed who was third in the GI Darley Alcibiades Stakes and the runner-up in the GIII Sugar Swirl Stakes, is in foal to Instagrand. Meadow Dance, who will be 9 in 2025, is carrying her fourth pregnancy. She is consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent.

The racing or stallion prospect who is supplemented is:

Shot in the Dark, a soon-to-be 3-year-old colt by Uncle Mo out of the winning Bernardini mare Spare Change. From the family of Horse of the Year Flightline, Shot in the Dark was runner-up in maiden special weight company at Gulfstream Park in November. He is offered as a racing or stallion prospect by consignor Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent.

Also supplemented are three fillies who will be newly turned yearlings at the January Sale:

- A daughter of Maxfield who is the second foal out of Face Paint, by Candy Ride (Arg). From the family of GISW Game Face, the filly is consigned by Buckland Sales (Zach Madden), agent.
- A filly from the first crop of GI Belmont Stakes hero Mo Donegal out of Forever Loyal, a winner by Malibu Moon. She is consigned by Ashview Farm, agent.
- A filly from the first crop of MGISW Cyberknife who is a half-sister to three stakes performers, she is consigned by Ashview Farm, agent.

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URUGUAY GAINS BREEDERS' CUP CHALLENGE QUALIFIER FOR DIRT MILE

The one mile G3 Asociacion Uruguaya de Propietarios de Caballos de Carrera Stakes, to be held June 29 at Hipodromo Nacional de Maronas in Montevideo, has been designated as a 'Win and You're In' automatic qualifier for the GI Big Ass Fans Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, according to a press release on Thursday from the Breeders' Cup.

Executive Vice President and Chief Racing Officer of Breeders' Cup Limited Dora Delgado said, "Breeders' Cup Limited is pleased to bring our international Breeders' Cup Challenge Series to Uruguay with the addition of the Asociacion Uruguaya de Propietarios de Caballos de Carrera, a qualifying race for the Big Ass Fans Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.

"Winners of designated Breeders' Cup Challenge races receive an automatic berth to the race of their applicable division at the Breeders' Cup World Championships, with entry fees paid and a travel stipend provided," she said. "We appreciate the many individuals who have collaborated to make this partnership a reality and look forward to celebrating the first Breeders' Cup Challenge winner from Uruguay in June."

The winner must be nominated to the Breeders' Cup program by the pre-entry deadline of Oct. 20, 2025, to receive the rewards. Stallions standing in Uruguay may participate in the Breeders' Cup International Stallion Nomination program, which conveys automatic nomination to their progeny.

"It is with great pleasure and gratitude to the Breeders' Cup authorities that we received the news of having a race of the "Win and You're In" series in 2025, more specifically for the Dirt Mile version," said CEO of Codere Uruguay Guido Parrella, which owns Maronas.

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HISA NAMES 16 VETS TO SERVE ON ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Veterinary care in the barn area | Sarah Andrew

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) has named 16 regulatory and private practice veterinarians from across the country to serve as members on its Veterinary Advisory Committee, according to a press release from the organization on Thursday morning.

The committee will commence regular meetings in early 2025 to provide feedback to HISA's executive team and standing committees. Advisement on topics would include the implementation and evolution of HISA's rules and protocols related to veterinary care, medication, racetrack safety, equine research and other relevant issues.

HISA Veterinary Advisory Committee cont.

Committee members will serve staggered terms of 18 to 30 months to ensure a dynamic, evolving group and maximize opportunities for future participation.

"I would like to express my gratitude to each of the highly qualified veterinarians who have generously agreed to contribute their time and expertise to the advancement of our sport," said HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus. "Their collective knowledge of and commitment to matters relating to equine health and welfare will be instrumental in guiding our efforts to foster a safer and more sustainable future for horse racing."

"I am honored to welcome to the committee such a talented and dedicated group of veterinarians," said HISA Director of Equine Safety and Welfare Dr. Jennifer Durenberger, who will chair the committee. "Both clinical and regulatory veterinary knowledge and experience are essential to HISA's mission of enhancing safety and integrity in the sport. We look forward to collaborating with our new committee members to advance horse welfare and drive scientific progress."

Members of HISA's Veterinary Advisory Committee are:

- Dr. Kathleen Anderson
- Dr. Ada Caruthers
- Dr. Ashley Daniel
- Dr. Horace ("Sam") O. Ferguson
- Dr. Peter Hannigan
- Dr. Andrew Hirschy
- Dr. Kathleen Kivi
- Dr. Michael Manno
- Dr. Justin McCormick
- Dr. Martha Misheff
- Dr. Amy Narotsky
- Dr. Nolton Pattio
- Dr. Kathy Picciano
- Dr. Lindsey Porubovich
- Dr. Lisa Santa-Emma
- Dr. Nick Smith

Click here to read a full biography for each member.







LIGHT UP RACING EXPANDS ACCESSIBILITY WITH SPANISH WEBSITE TRANSLATION

Light Up Racing has launched a Spanish translation feature on their website with the intent to make resources even more accessible to the entire horse racing community, the organization said on Thursday in a press release.

The Spanish version can be accessed by clicking the flag icon located in the top right corner of the screen on the website. By offering this option, Light Up aims to bridge language barriers and ensure that it serves the entire industry.

"At Light Up Racing, we're focused on empowering industry members to confidently engage in tough conversations," said Vicky Leonard, founder of Kick Collective. "The Spanish translation ensures the Hispanic community has equal access to the resources needed to navigate these discussions and foster a unified, informed voice in horse racing."

"Our hope with Light Up Racing is to empower our industry from a grassroots level," said Chair of the Light Up Racing Board of Directors Price Bell. "The Hispanic community is an active participant at all levels of our industry. We hope by translating our site into Spanish we encourage more participation and a unified voice across our industry. We are proud of what we have accomplished in our first year and look forward to 2025."

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SHEFFIELD REPLACES RUYLE AS TEXAS THOROUGHBRED ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Texas Thoroughbred Association (TTA) has named Tracy Sheffield as the new executive director effective Jan. 1, replacing Mary Ruyle, who will stay on through July to help with the transition, according to a TTA press release on Thursday.

The holder of an Animal Science degree from Oregon State University, Sheffield is the founder and managing partner of T&L Veterinary Business Consulting. She has been a TTA member for more than 20 years and is active with the organization's Paddock Foundation, which helps find second careers for retired racehorses. Sheffield will resign her current position as TTA President and be replaced by Vice President Phil Leckinger.

TTA cont.

"No one can replace Mary, but I'm excited to take on this new position with the TTA," said Sheffield. "Certainly there are challenges for the Texas racing and breeding industry, but with a strong sales company and solid purses and incentives for Accredited Texas-breds, I think we are well positioned to meet those challenges. All TTA members and Texas horsemen and women owe Mary a debt of gratitude for her work over the years, and I'm thankful she will remain available through July."

Ruyle started with the TTA in 1988 as a bookkeeper and worked her way up, eventually taking the executive director position in 2012. She received the Allen Bogan Memorial Award from the association for her service to the industry, as well as the JoAnn Weber Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Horse Racing Hall of Fame.

During her time as executive director, she oversaw the TTA's creation of a sales division to handle the annual Texas yearling and 2-year-old sales. Ruyle is the longest tenured employee in the history of the TTA, which was founded in 1955.

"I've made so many great friends during my time at the TTA, and I'm going to miss working with the dedicated board of directors and our hard-working members," said Ruyle. "Tracy has been a great asset to have on the board, and I'm more than confident she will smoothly transition over to executive director."

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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 4:54 p.m. EST

FT. LAUDERDALE S.-GII, \$215,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cash Equity (Fr)	Toronado (Ire)	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	121
2	Grand Sonata 🖛	Medaglia d'Oro	Whisper Hill Farm LLC	Pletcher	Gaffalione	126
3	Saratoga Flash	Laoban	Dailey Double Racing, LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Husbands	121
4	Major Dude	Bolt d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	121
5	Win for the Money	Mohaymen	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Davis	126
6	Lorenz (Brz)	Forestry	Daniel Alonso	Joseph, Jr.	Van Dyke	123
7	Siege of Boston	War Front	Joseph Allen LLC	Toner	Ruiz	121
8	Fort Washington	War Front	Magic Cap Stables	McGaughey III	Velazquez	126
9	Emmanuel 🖛	More Than Ready	Hui, Michael M., Chambers, Case, Staudacher,	Maker	Castellano	123
			David, Paradise Farms Corp., Fugget About It			

Breeders: 1-S.C.E.A. Des Prairies, Thomas & Benoit Jeffroy, 2-Whisper Hill Farm, 3-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, 4-Clearsky Farms, 5-Kenneth & Sarah Ramsey, 6-Haras Cifra, 7-Joseph Allen & White Birch Farm, Inc., 8-Joseph Allen, LLC &White Birch Farm, Inc., 9-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust

Racing Stable and Forte, Phil

Saturday, Gulfstream #9, post time: 4:24 p.m. EST HARLAN'S HOLIDAY S.-GIII, \$165,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Tuscan Sky	Vino Rosso	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
2	Tumbarumba	Oscar Performance	Wathnan Racing	Lynch	Gaffalione	123
3	Cape Trafalgar	Lord Nelson	Peachtree Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	121
4	Digital Ops 🖛	Nyquist	Jeffrey Drown	Joseph, Jr.	Davis	121
5	Vitality	Street Boss	Stronach Stables and Hunsburger, Joel B.	Ladouceur	Bravo	118
6	Steal Sunshine	Constitution	Michael & Jules lavarone, Carrie L. Brogden,	Dibona	Reyes	123
			Kevin J. Pollard, Ed Gorry and David Menard			
7	Rocket Can	Into Mischief	Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc.	Mott	Alvarado	121
8	Super Corinto (Arg)	Super Saver	Jet Set Racing Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	121

Breeders: 1-Sierra Farm, 2-Coteau Grove Farms, 3-Spendthrift Farm, 4-Coffee Pot Stables, 5-Adena Springs, 6-Machmer Hall, 7-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 8-Firmamento

Saturday, Gulfstream #11, post time: 5:24 p.m. EST SUWANNEE RIVER S.-GIII, \$165,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ocean Club	Curlin	Glen Hill Farm	Sisterson	Gonzalez	125
2	Hollywood Walk	Animal Kingdom	R. Larry Johnson	Trombetta	Ruiz	121
3	Ribaltagaia 🖛	Blame	The Estate of Albert Frassetto	Bietolini	Alvarado	118
4	Papilio (Ire) 🖛	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Castellano	121
5	Swoonatra 🖛	Paynter	Douglas Self	Abreu	Perez	121
6	Charlie's Wish	First Dude	Royalight Racing, LLC	Fawkes	Vasquez	121
7	Be Your Best (Ire)	Muhaarar (GB)	Michael J. Ryan	Joseph, Jr.	Zayas	125
8	Saffron Moon 🛪	Malibu Moon	CHP Racing	Brown	Gaffalione	121
9	Golden Hostess (SAf)	Gold Standard (SAf)	Cayton Park Stud	Motion	Velazquez	121

10	Be My Sunshine 🛪	Frosted	Kenneth L. Ramsey	Joseph, Jr.	Reyes	121
11	Breath Away (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Tango Uniform	Clement	Davis	121
			Racing and Steven Rocco			
12	Bless My Stars (SAf)	Gimmethegreenlight (Aus)	Barber, Gary and Team Valor International LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	121

Breeders: 1-Glen Hill Farm, 2-R. Larry Johnson, 3-Mr. Wilbert Tan, 4-SCEA Marmion & Mr A. Jathiere, 5-Wes Self, 6-Three Gin Guys Stable, 7-St. Croix Bloodstock, 8-Cove Springs Farm, 9-Drakenstein Stud (Nom Mrs. G. A.Rupert), 10-Kenneth & Sarah K. Ramsey, 11-Highgate Stud, 12-Varsfontein Stud

Thursday, Santa Anita #8, post time: 5:30 p.m. EST MALIBU S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bentornato	Valiant Minister	Leon King Stable Corp.		Saez	122
2	Pilot Commander 🖛	Justify	CSLR Racing Partners LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	120
3	Winterfell 🖛	Arrogate	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables,	Baffert	Velazquez	120
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne,			
			Masterson, Robert E., Waves Edge Capital LLC,			
			Donovan, Catherine and Ryan, Tom J.			
4	Senior Officer 🖛	Into Mischief	Gainesway Stable and Qatar Racing LLC	Cox	Prat	120
5	Imagination 🖛	Into Mischief	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables,	Baffert	Rosario	122
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne,			
			Masterson, Robert E., Waves Edge Capital LLC,			
			Donovan, Catherine and Ryan, Tom J.			
6	Mystik Dan	Goldencents	Four G Racing, LLC, Valley View Farm LLC,	McPeek	Hernandez, Jr.	122
			Gasaway, Lance, And Hamby III, Daniel			
7	Stronghold	Ghostzapper	Waller, Eric M. and Waller, Sharon	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Raging Torrent 🛪	Maximus Mischief	Great Friends Stables and Davis, Mark	O'Neill	Dettori	122

Breeders: 1-Tanma Corp, 2-A R Enterprises, Inc., 3-Adirondack Bloodstock, 4-2500 Determined Stud, 5-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Lance Gasaway, Daniel Hamby & 4GRacing, LLC, 7-Eric Waller & Sharon Waller, 8-Rodney J. Winkler & Alfonso Mazzetti

Thursday, Santa Anita #10, post time: 6:30 p.m. EST LA BREA S. PRESENTED BY DON JULIO-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Splendora	Audible	Talla Racing LLC	Baffert	Rosario	120
2	Accuracy 🖛	Arrogate	Repole Stable	McCarthy	Rispoli	120
3	Kinza	Carpe Diem	Michael Lund Petersen	Baffert	Velazquez	122
4	Sugar Fish 🖛	Accelerate	Sweetwater Stable and Talla Racing LLC	Mullins	Baze	122
5	Ultimate Authority 🛪	Practical Joke	Amestoy, Leslie A., Amestoy, Jr., Pierre Jean	Yakteen	Dettori	120
			and Beasley, Roger K.			
6	Kopion 🖛	Omaha Beach	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Kimura	122
7	One Magic Philly	Good Magic	John Gallegos	D'Amato	Prat	122
8	Sandy Bottom 🖛	Omaha Beach	Daniell, James M. and Daniell, Donna	McCarthy	Saez	120
9	Hope Road	Quality Road	Cicero Farms LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	122
10	Tamara	Bolt d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Mandella	Smith	120
11	Cavalieri 🖛	Nyquist	Speedway Stables LLC	Baffert	Fresu	120

Breeders: 1-The Elkstone Group LLC, 2-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 3-JD Business Ventures LLC, Brushy HillStable & Carpe Diem Syndicate, 4-George Gilbert, 5-Romar Farm LLC & BRS, 6-Tall Oaks Farm, 7-John Gallegos, 8-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 9-Cicero Farms LLC, 10-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 11-Alastar Thoroughbred Co, LLC

Thursday, Santa Anita #11, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST AMERICAN OAKS-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Omaha Girl 🖛	Omaha Beach	Amo Racing USA, LLC	Ppaprdromou	Baze	124
2	Sakura Blossom 🛪	Classic Empire	California Racing Partners, Ciaglia Racing LLC,			
			O'Donnell, Kevin F. and Pearson, Richard C.	Powell	Saez	124
3	Medoro	Honor Code	C R K Stable LLC	Eurton	Fresu	124
4	Kathynmarissa 🖛	American Pharoah	Michael Dubb	Dutrow, Jr.	Dettori	124
5	Watchtower 🛪	Demarchelier (GB)	Abbondanza Racing LLC, Aldabbagh, Omar and lavarone, Michael	Baltas	Herrera	124
6	Strutting (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Yuesheng Zhang	McCarthy	Gonzalez	124
7	Vibez	Collected	Ciaglia Racing LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC,	Eurton	Hernandez	124
			Hausman, Richard and Zubok, Garett			
8	She Feels Pretty 🖛	Karakontie (Jpn)	Lael Stables	DeVaux	Velazquez	124
9	Baltic Fire	Flameaway	Next Wave Racing LLC	Callaghan	Carmona	124
10	Chatalas	Gun Runner	Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners, Agnew,	Glatt	Prat	124
			Dan J. and Chatalas, William			
11	Mizzyaan	Justify	Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum	McCarthy	Rispoli	124
12	Valence	Violence	A. Jason Hall Stables, Baker, Stephen R. and	Garrett	Kimura	124
			Vanlandingham, Bill			
13	Rashmi	Oscar Performance	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Rosario	124

Breeders: 1-Rosilyn Polan, 2-Small Batch Thoroughbreds & RobertFetkin, 3-Parks Investment Group, LLC, 4-Don Alberto Corporation, 5-White Birch Farm, Inc., 6-Via Lazio Partnership, 7-Exline Border Racing, LLC, CiagliaRacing, LLC, et al, 8-Payson Stud Inc, 9-Rose Hill Farm, 10-Dan Agnew, 11-Sheik Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum, 12-Jason Hall, Stephen Baker, DavidBranch, and Bill Vanlandingham, 13-George Strawbridge Jr.

Thursday, Santa Anita #6, post time: 4:30 p.m. EST LAFFIT PINCAY, JR. S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	American Admiral 🛪	American Pharoah	Donnie Crevier	Yakteen	Kimura	121
2	Ashcroft	Munnings	GMT Racing Stables	Sadler	Rosario	121
3	J B Strikes Back 🖛	Goldencents	Purple Rein Racing	O'Neill	Dettori	119
4	Express Train 🛪	Union Rags	C R K Stable LLC	Shirreffs	Berrios	121
5	Lammas (GB)	Heeraat (Ire)	Charles, Ronald L. and Gordon, Samuel	Badilla	Hernandez	123
6	Katonah 🛪	Klimt R3 Racing LLC	O'Neill	Fresu	121	
7	Tarantino 🖛	Pioneerof the Nile	David A. Bernsen LLC and Rockingham Ranch	Eurton	Maldonado	121
8	Goldeneye 🛪	Hard Spun	David A. Bernsen, LLC and Stuart, John D.	Eurton	Prat	121

Breeders: 1-Dixiana Farms LLC, 2-EAS Equine Alliance, LLC, Craig Netwig &Debra Barkley, 3-Woods Edge Farm, LLC, 4-Dixiana Farms LLC, 5-Peter Onslow, 6-Haymarket Farm LLC, 7-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 8-Elm Racing, LLC



Thursday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 5:00 p.m. EST SAN GABRIEL S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Astronomer	Air Force Blue	Bamford, Alice and Tabor, Michael B.	Callaghan	Kimura	121
2	Easter (Fr)	Exosphere (Aus)	Madaket Stables LLC	D'Amato	Fresu	121
3	Cabo Spirit 🖛	Pioneerof the Nile	Kretz Racing LLC	Ppaprdromou	Dettori	125
4	Johannes	Nyquist	CUYATHY LLC	Yakteen	Rispoli	125
5	Escape Artist 🖛	Good Magic	Les Blake	Knapp	Rosario	121
6	Dicey Mo Chara (GB)	Adaay (Ire)	Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC	Powell	Velazquez	121
7	Mi Hermano Ramon	Creative Cause	Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners and	Glatt	Berrios	125
			Red Baron's Barn LLC			
8	Nineeleventurbo 🖛	More Than Ready	Stepaside Farm LLC	Drysdale	Hernandez	121
9	Seal Team (GB)	War Front	Bass II, Perry R. and Bass, Ramona S.	Mandella	Prat	121

Breeders: 1-Alice Bamford, 2-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd., 3-WinStar Farm, LLC, 4-Cuyathy, LLC, 5-Grandview Equine, 6-Worksop Manor Stud, 7-Red Baron's Barn, 8-C. W. Swann & Wetherbee Holdings, Ltd., 9-Bass Stables LLC

Thursday, Santa Anita #9, post time: 6:00 p.m. EST MATHIS MILE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	King of Gosford (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Gevertz, Saul, Nentwig, Michael and Peskoff, Jeremy	D'Amato	Prat	122
2	Atitlan	The Factor	John M. B. O'Connor	Shirreffs	Berrios	124
3	Curlin's Kaos	Clubhouse Ride	Zephyr Racing LLC and Pais, Alfred	Garcia	Ayuso	120
4	Siennois (Ire)	Advertise (GB)	Little Red Feather Racing, Madaket Stables LLC and Strauss, William	D'Amato	Fresu	120
5	Stay Hot	Summer Front	Burns Racing LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC, SAF Racing, Estate of Brereton C. Jones and Hudock, William Dan	Eurton	Hernandez	122
6	Heart Headed 🛪	Oscar Performance	Davis Racing LLC, Giordano, Louis A. and Mueller, Martin	Ppaprdromou	Dettori 120	
7	Call Sign Seven	Speightstown	Cannon Thoroughbreds LLC	McCarthy	Frey	120
8	Cathal (Ire)	No Nay Never	Diamond T Racing, LLC, lapetus Racing, LLC,			
			Lady Marion, LLC and Alphin, Richard	Sadler	Rosario	120
9	Lord Bullingdon 🖛	Lord Nelson	Colbart Stables & Coronado Hill Investments LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	122

Breeders: 1-The Miss Sugars Partnership, 2-Anastasie Astrid Christiansen-Croy, 3-James Shenouda & Alfred Pais, 4-Ballylinch Stud & Ecurie Des Charmes, 5-Brereton C. Jones, 6-Alan Tennenbaum, 7-Willow Oaks Stable, 8-Moni Market, 9-Veloce LLC

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7th-Fair Grounds, \$59,800, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 12-19, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38.59, ft, 2 lengths.

SILK (f, 3, Curlin--Comedy, by Theatrical (Ire)) broke her maiden fourth-time out at Horseshoe Indiana in a one-mile event Apr. 25 before going to the bench, resurfacing on the turf at Churchill Downs in a forgettable effort facing allowance runners Nov. 3. Back on the main track Thursday, the 7-2 second choice raced closest to pacesetter Certified Gem (Gemologist) and always had the measure of the leader, pouncing with a two-wide move past the half in :49.23 to take over. Kept to task down the lane, she checked in two lengths ahead of the early leader. Comedy, bought for \$1.5m by Stonestreet at KEENOV in 2015, has already produced 'TDN Rising Star' Taris (Flatter), GISW, \$1,086,260 and Theatre Star (War Front), SW & MGSP, \$259,750. Curlin has already proved a strong match in this family as Taris is the dam of GSW King Fury (Curlin) while Theatre Star produced GSW Ocean Club (Curlin). Another daughter, Stoweshoe (Flatter), is responsible for 'Rising Star' Cantata (Medaglia d'Oro). Comedy has a yearling Essential Quality filly and reported another filly bu Upstart this year. Sales History: \$350,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$74,809. Click for the Equibase.com

O-Red White and Blue Racing LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

THINK INDIAN CREEK

5th-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), Alw, 12-19, (NW2L), 2yo, 6f, 1:10.41, ft, 1/2 length.

DAPPER MOON (c, 2, Malibu Moon--Fashioned Gem, by Old Fashioned) broke his maiden in style at Saratoga by five lengths Aug. 31 after running second to GISP Incentive Pay (Volatile) first out and jumped right into graded company, finishing fourth in the GI Claiborne Breeders' Futurity, the GIII Street Sense Stakes and, most recently, the GII Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes Nov. 30. Now facing Louisiana-breds for the first time with Lasix and cutting back to six furlongs, the 1-5 favorite was prominent from near the front of the field throughout, stalking just off the pace of Hawija (Mr. Money) around the far turn. While that rival was game to his inside, Dapper Moon's class ultimately won out and he just forged ahead in the final yards to win by a half-

length. Fashioned Gem has a yearling Practical Joke colt named Bad Joke and did not produce a reported foal this year. Sales History: \$79,000 RNA Ylg '23 TTAYRL; \$130,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$156,638. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Valene Farms LLC; B-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC (LA); T-Dallas Stewart.





IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Turfway, \$80,000, Msw, 12-18, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46.38, ft, neck.

CLASSIC APPEAL (f, 2, Classic Empire--Halfcause, by Giant's Causeway) broke as the longest shot in the field at 37-1 off a non-factor 10th in her Keeneland debut over 6 1/2 furlongs on the main track Oct. 24. Stretched out on the Tapeta for the first time, she leapt right to the front from her outside gate and led comfortably through fractions of :24.66 and :49.57. Still unchallenged into the far turn, she turned for home with a two-length cushion and had just enough of a gap built up to hold off a closing Beach Wedding (Mendelssohn) and win by a neck. Out of a daughter of champion 2-year-old filly Halfbridled, Classic Appeal's only younger sibling is a yearling full-brother named Bridled. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$49,151. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Debra Barkley; B-Craig Netwig & Debra Barkley (KY); T-John A. Hancock.

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6th-Fair Grounds, \$62,000, Msw, 12-19, 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.10, fm, 2 1/2 lengths.

CAN'T DENY IT (g, 2, Justify--Moth {Ire} {G1SP-Eng, \$121,393}, by Galileo {Ire}) had good early speed but was relegated to second by stablemate Big Vince (Caravaggio) to his inside. Sitting just off that leader around the far turn, the 3-1 second choice kicked on with a wide move at the quarter pole, pulled ahead of his rival and won going away by 2 1/2 lengths over Joejoe Go (Tiz the Law) who ran on well after a rough trip to get second. Out of G1 QIPCO One Thousand Guineas third Moth (Ire), Can't

Deny It has a yearling full-sister who brought \$375,000 at KEESEP this year and a weanling half-brother by Epicenter. Moth is due back to Coolmore's Justify for 2025. Sales History: \$135,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$37,200. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Patricia's Hope LLC, Craftyhorse Racing, LLC and Mustari, Frank A.; B-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt (KY); T-Larry Rivelli.



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8th-Fair Grounds, \$58,000, Msw, 12-19, 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT, 1:03.83, fm, 5 lengths.

LOVELY EMMA (f, 2, Twirling Candy--Salsa Diavola, by Mineshaft) has made a trio of strong efforts, sent to the lead in each attempt and getting beaten by a neck on debut at Ellis, by 1 1/2 lengths at Kentucky Downs and by a half-length most recently at Keeneland going this distance Oct. 20. Racing with Lasix for the first time, the popular 1-5 choice kept to what she knew and broke to the front from a middle gate to handle the tempo through fractions of :22.78 and :46.19. Unwilling to be reeled in this time however, Lovely Emma opened up on this field and cruised home a five-length winner to break her maiden over Give Her Another (Tiz the Law). The half-sister to Litigate (Blame), GSW, \$182,590, Lovely Emma's yearling half-brother (also by Blame) brought \$100,000 at KEESEP while Salsa Diavola foaled a Constitution filly this year and was bred back to Elite Power for next year. Sales History: \$600,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$77,411. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-C R K Stable LLC; B-Nursery Place, Donaldson & Broadbent (KY); T-Peter Eurton.

TAPROOT YEARLING PURCHASE

1st-Gulfstream, \$45,000, (S), Msw, 12-19, 2yo, f, 5f (AWT), :56.97, ft, 3/4 length.

SHE'S MY LADY LUCK (f, 2, Win Win--Hello Juliet, by Adios Charlie), a first time starter facing several more experienced rivals, broke as the 2-1 second choice and had to settle mid pack after getting bumped back shortly after the break. Off the pace but never far off the leaders, she stayed out wide around the far turn and rallied down the outside, reeling in pacesetter Grade A (Army Mule) and edging away to win by three-quarters of a length. The 10th winner for her freshman sire (by Hat Trick {Jpn}), She's My Lady Luck was her sire's second highest priced OBS grad behind 'TDN Rising Star' Nooni and is the first foal out of a winning Adios Charlie mare who has since produced a weanling filly by Awesome Slew named Thatcapuletgirl. Hello Juliet went back to Win Win Win for 2025. Sales History: \$310,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$29,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Champion Equine LLC; B-Ocala Stud (FL); T-J. David Braddy.

6th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, Msw, 12-19, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.82, ft, 6 1/4 lengths.

JUSTINQUESO (f, 2, Ghostzapper--Fiesta {SW, \$181,575}, by Speightstown), one of the longer shots on the board at 7-1, sat off the pace in fourth before coming under a ride to engage pacesetting 4-5 favorite Dominant Diva (Spun to Run) around the far turn. The top pair came into the final furlong together well ahead of the rest of the field with Justinqueso getting herded out by her rival on the inside and, though ultimately hitting the wire a length back in second, the stewards opted to make a change and reverse the order to finish to award Justinqueso the victory. Fiesta, now a perfect three for three on foals to winners, visited both Maclean's Music and Medaglia d'Oro for 2025 after aborting her 2024 Liam's Map foal. Sales History: \$175,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Six Column Stables LLC, Randall L. Bloch, Jim Gladden, Mike Davis, David Stanley and Jack C. Porter, Jr.; B-Diamond Fields Farm (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes.

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3rd-Fair Grounds, \$32,000, Moc (\$50,000), 12-19, (C), 2yo, 1 1/16m, 1:47.25, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

SOUTH BEND TOM (c, 2, Liam's Map--Glycine, by Pulpit) dropped out of maiden special weight company at Churchill Downs off a third-place effort going this distance Nov. 20. Now racing with Lasix while protected in this optional claiming spot, the 2-5 favorite had to sit second behind loose leader Royal

Coach (Street Sense) through fractions of :23.47 and :47.47. As that rival began to come back to the field off the far turn, he drove past on the outside and stayed safely away from a closing Ragnow (Gift Box) to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Third dam Ruby Slippers was responsible for not only MGISW and champion Rubiano (Fabbiano) but also the winning mare Tap Your Heels who secured her place in modern bloodlines by producing GISW and leading sire Tapit (Pulpit). Glycine, who last sold for \$67,000 carrying South Bend Tom at KEENOV in 2021, produced a Jack Christopher filly this year and is due to Corniche for 2025. Sales History: \$47,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$31,160. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Thomas C. Boyan and Albert M. Stall, Jr.; B-Ashview Farm (KY); T-Albert M. Stall, Jr.

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Hor Almuhamadia, c, 2, Tapiture--Viola Blew By, by Omega Code. King Abdulaziz, 12-19, Novice (0-1 wins), 1600m.

B-Albert & Teresa Davis (KY). *\$47,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. **Full to Vertical Threat, MSW, \$270,350. VIDEO

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Hob Alwatan, c, 3, **Yoshida (Jpn)**--Street Cruizer, by Quality Road. King Abdulaziz, 12-19, Novice (0-1 wins), 1200m. B-Rock Brothers Breeding LLC (KY). *\$120,000 Ylg' 22 FTKOCT. **VIDEO**



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Honest Mischief (Into Mischief), Sequel New York, \$6,500 73 foals of racing age/11 winners/2 black-type winners 3-Gulfstream, 1:22 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, Mr Tyson, 8-5 \$29,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$27,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo

Instagrand (Into Mischief), Taylor Made Farm, \$7,500 136 foals of racing age/20 winners/1 black-type winner 3-Gulfstream, 1:22 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, Neshume, 9-2 \$40,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$42,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo Seeking the Soul (Perfect Soul {Ire}), Ocala Stud, \$5,000 20 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 3-Gulfstream, 1:22 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, La Cyber, 6-1 \$30,000 FTK OCT yrl

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15,000 125 foals of racing age/24 winners/1 black-type winner 7-Turfway, 8:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16m, Paraclete, 5-1 \$50,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$72,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$80,000 EAS MAY 2yo





STAKES RESULTS:

BOBBIE BRICKER MEMORIAL S., (NB) \$75,000, Mahoning Valley, 12-19, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:46.80, sy.

- 1--LUCKY PENNY ROSE, 120, m, 5, Kentucky Dane--Copper Rose, by Unbridled. O-Robert L. Donald; B-Mr. & Mrs. Joseph A McFadden Jr. & Mr. & Mrs. Melody K Fewster (OH); T-Ivan Vazquez; J-Chelsey Keiser. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 47-7-4-8, \$264,156.
- 2--Countess Colette, 120, f, 3, Medal Count--Mobil Bonnet, by Mobil. (\$2,000 Ylg '22 OTBOMX). O-HMDC Racing Stables LLC; B-Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH); T-Megan Fadlovich. \$15,000.
- 3--**Mobil Chic**, 124, m, 6, Mobil--Chic Cat, by Tiger Ridge. O-James McConnell; B-Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH); T-Richard Zielinski. \$7,500.

Margins: 3 3/4, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 16.90, 6.20, 6.10.



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JOSHUA RADOSEVICH MEMORIAL S., (NB) \$75,000, Mahoning Valley, 12-19, (S), 2yo, 6f, 1:13.21, sy.

- 1--COLONEL COOPER, 120, g, 2, by National Flag--Feeling Ethereal, by Union Rags. O-S G M Thoroughbred Racing LLC, Check Racing LLC and Blazing Meadows Farm LLC; B-Blazing Meadows Farm LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm; J-David J. Haldar. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-2, \$86,405. *Full to Shadowy, SW, \$198,640.
- 2--**Parlay**, 119, f, 2, National Flag--Miss Emma Maria, by Tiznow. O/B-WinBlaze, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm. \$15,000.
- 3--Perfect Date, 115, f, 2, Event Driven--With Gratitude, by Ecton Park. O/B-Rolf Obrecht (OH); T-Joseph M. Poole. \$7.500.

Margins: NO, 4 3/4, HF. Odds: 62.30, 1.10, 5.10.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Turfway, \$81,743, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 12-18, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:10.55, ft, 5 1/2 lengths.

COMING IN HOT (c, 2, Maclean's Music--Allianna, by Flat Out) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$91,221. O/B-Rose Hill Farm, Vincent Colbert, John Trumbulovic & James Connor (KY); T-John Ennis. *\$40,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP.



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8th-Turfway, \$81,000, 12-18, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:11.40, ft, nose.

PENNY'S SMILE (f, 3, Blame--Our Maria Celeste, by Galileo (Ire)) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$191,814. O-Fortune Racing LLC (Russell Fortune III); B-Randal Family Trust (KY); T-Philip A. Sims. *\$38,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

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9th-Zia, \$72,000, (S), 12-18, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :56.64, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

MAMA WAS A ROCKET (f, 4, Diabolical--Gator Prowl {SW, \$106,000}, by Roar of the Tiger) Lifetime Record: SW, 14-5-3-3, \$234,606. O-J. Kirk and Judy Robison; B-J. Kirk Robison, Judy Robison & Downstream Racing LLC (NM); T-Todd W. Fincher. *1/2 to Good With People (Curlin to Mischief), MSW, \$428,298; Full to Fast Gator, MSW, \$378,065.

8th-Delta Downs, \$44,000, (S), 12-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :59.49, my, 1 3/4 lengths.

CAJUN CATALINA (f, 4, Catalina Red--Cajun Yankee, by Yankee Gentleman) Lifetime Record: 17-4-5-2, \$122,450. O-Elite Thoroughbred Racing LLC; B-Tony Lenci (LA); T-Lee Thomas. *1/2 to Creole Charlie (My Pal Charlie), MSP, \$212,049.

8th-Gulfstream, \$43,000, (S), (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 12-19, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :56.08, ft, 3 1/2 lengths.

ASHER'S EDGE (g, 3, Competitive Edge--Donelle, by Roman Ruler) Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-2, \$91,740. O/B-JJ Brevan Stable LLC (FL); T-David Fawkes.

8th-Pleasanton, \$32,186, 12-18, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:45.96, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

PASS THE BATON (g, 4, Sharp Azteca--White Stiletto, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 16-3-5-2, \$86,520. O/B-Gene Tenbrink & Frank Ables (CA); T-Bill McLean. *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTCAYR.

4th-Penn National, \$31,000, 12-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.57, sy, 1/2 length.

DISSOLUTE (f, 4, Union Rags--Sweet Avery, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$51,600. O-Runnymoore Racing, LLC; B-Alex & Kendra Penn (KY); T-Cathal A. Lynch. *\$185,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$130,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.



She's My Lady Luck (Win Win Win) graduates at Gulfstream (click to watch)

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bread to Run, f, 2, Authentic--Sliced Bread, by Noonmark. Turfway, 12-18, (C), 1m (AWT), 1:41.62. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$35,772. B-Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). *\$150,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. **1/2 to Kanthaka (Jimmy Creed), MGSW & GISP-USA, GSP-Can, \$456,635. **23rd winner for freshman sire (by Into Mischief).

Gamblaway, g, 2, **Sway Away**--Gamblers Odyssey, by El Corredor. Zia, 12-18, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:03.56. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$47,120. B-Greg Green & Mark Miller (NM).

Lucky Burglar, f, 3, Cat Burglar--Irish Luck, by Lemon Drop Kid. Turf Paradise, 12-19, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.63. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,020. B-Harry Keshian, Cheryl Keshian & Paul Girdner (AZ). *\$1,000 Ylg '22 ARZNOV. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

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Authentic, Bread to Run, f, 2, o/o Sliced Bread, by Noonmark. MCL, 12-18, Turfway

Blame, Penny's Smile, f, 3, o/o Our Maria Celeste, by Galileo (Ire). ALW, 12-18, Turfway

Cat Burglar, Lucky Burglar, f, 3, o/o Irish Luck, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 12-19, Turf Paradise

Catalina Red, Cajun Catalina, f, 4, o/o Cajun Yankee, by Yankee Gentleman. ALW, 12-18, Delta Downs

Classic Empire, Classic Appeal, f, 2, o/o Halfcause, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 12-18, Turfway

Competitive Edge, Asher's Edge, g, 3, o/o Donelle, by Roman Ruler. AOC, 12-19, Gulfstream

Curlin, Silk, f, 3, o/o Comedy, by Theatrical (Ire). AOC, 12-19, Fair Grounds

Diabolical, Mama Was a Rocket, f, 4, o/o Gator Prowl, by Roar of the Tiger. ALW, 12-18, Zia

Ghostzapper, Justinqueso, f, 2, o/o Fiesta, by Speightstown. MSW, 12-19, Gulfstream

Justify, Can't Deny It, g, 2, o/o Moth (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). MSW, 12-19, Fair Grounds

Kentucky Dane, Lucky Penny Rose, m, 5, o/o Copper Rose, by Unbridled. Bobbie Bricker Memorial S., 12-19, Mahoning Valley



Liam's Map, South Bend Tom, c, 2, o/o Glycine, by Pulpit. MOC, 12-19, Fair Grounds

Maclean's Music, Coming in Hot, c, 2, o/o Allianna, by Flat Out. AOC, 12-18, Turfway

Malibu Moon, Dapper Moon, c, 2, o/o Fashioned Gem, by Old Fashioned. ALW, 12-19, Fair Grounds

National Flag, Colonel Cooper, g, 2, o/o Feeling Ethereal, by Union Rags. Joshua Radosevich Memorial S., 12-19, Mahoning Valley

Sharp Azteca, Pass the Baton, g, 4, o/o White Stiletto, by Tapit. ALW, 12-18, Pleasanton

Sway Away, Gamblaway, g, 2, o/o Gamblers Odyssey, by El Corredor. MSW, 12-18, Zia

Twirling Candy, Lovely Emma, f, 2, o/o Salsa Diavola, by Mineshaft. MSW, 12-19, Fair Grounds

Union Rags, Dissolute, f, 4, o/o Sweet Avery, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 12-18, Penn National

Win Win, She's My Lady Luck, f, 2, o/o Hello Juliet, by Adios Charlie. MSW, 12-19, Gulfstream



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Metropolitan, new to Haras d'Etreham for 2025 | Katie Petrunyak

By Adam Houghton

Like any vibrant metropolis, Haras d'Etreham is somewhere that embraces the diversity of its inhabitants. At one time the roster featured everything from a dual Group 1-winning sprinter in Hello Youmzain (Fr), now one of the most expensive Flat stallions in France, to the leading National Hunt sire Saint des Saints (Fr), who in October this year was pensioned from stud duties.

"We just need as many options as possible," says Etreham's Nicolas de Chambure, speaking more generally about the evolving stallion scene domestically which, in his words, had a strong demand for a horse like Hello Youmzain, France's leading first-season sire of 2024.

"I feel like it's filling a gap, something that we didn't have before," he continues. "We were missing a few options to breed a good two-year-old or to breed a good sprinter. We've seen some of those stallions retiring in France recently, but then we've also retired a son of Frankel in Onesto last year. So, there are still those Classic horses, those 10- or 12-furlong horses, but now it's a more diverse pool of stallions, which is good."

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MEASURED TIME THE CLASS ACT ON FESTIVE FRIDAY CARD AT MEYDAN

The Charlie Appleby-trained **Measured Time (GB)** faces eight rivals on the Festive Friday card at Meydan when he attempts to repeat his 2023 success in the AED850,000 G2 Al Rashidiya Sponsored by Emaar.

No horse has ever won back-to-back renewals of the Al Rashidiya, but Measured Time is likely to be a warm order as the sole previous Group 1 winner in the line-up. He followed last year's victory in this race with a first Group 1 triumph in the Jebel Hatta and a fourth-place finish in the G1 Dubai Turf, both run over the same course and distance as Friday's race. He later doubled his tally at the top level when beating stable-mate Nations Pride (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) in the GI Manhattan Stakes at Saratoga in June.

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IN TON AMERICA TODAY

BRILLIANT RACEHORSE AND SIRE UNCLE MO DIES

"I am devastated and saddened to share with you that Uncle Mo was euthanized earlier today following a left foreleg injury," said owner Mike Repole. Based at Coolmore's Ashford Stud, the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner was 16-years-old.



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Champion juvenile and impactful sire Uncle Mo was euthanized at Coolmore America's Ashford Stud on Thursday morning after suffering a left foreleg injury. See today's TDN America for more details. | Racingfotos.com

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Metropolitan cont. from p1

De Chambure certainly knows a thing or two about Classic horses. In 2025, Etreham supporters will be able to choose from three of the last six winners of the Poule d'Essai des Poulains in Persian King (Ire) and Victor Ludorum (GB), successful in consecutive years in 2019 and 2020, plus **Metropolitan (Fr)**, who retires to the farm near Bayeux after his Longchamp success back in May for owners Peter Bradley and Scuderia Scolari.

If you're going to corner one area of the market, then Classicwinning milers would appear as good as any. And, in the shape of Metropolitan, de Chambure is adamant that breeders have a totally unique opportunity on their hands, in keeping with the spirit of diversity.

"Obviously, what was a big plus for us in his profile was that Metropolitan was the only Classic-winning son of Zarak, and he's probably the one that has shown the most precocity and speed," de Chambure sums up.

"He was unbeaten at two. He was probably capable of being a Group winner at two, but Mario [Baratti, trainer] decided to give him time. Mario always said he had enough speed, natural speed, to be at his best at three over a mile.

"He ran him in the [G3 Prix de] Fontainebleau, a traditional trial for the French Guineas. He needed the race, Mario said, and then he came back three weeks later and he won the French Guineas. That was a great performance and he really established himself as a strong stallion prospect after that race."

Though Metropolitan failed to add to his Group 1 tally after his Poulains win, he confirmed himself a miler out of the top drawer with a third-place finish in the St James's Palace Stakes and a runner-up effort in the Prix Jacques le Marois. Said to be "ready for a break" when finishing eighth on what proved to be his swansong in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, Metropolitan never raced beyond a mile, which remains a cause of regret for de Chambure, who reveals that it hadn't always been the intention to retire him at the end of his three-year-old campaign.

He explains, "Obviously, the option was to go for the French Derby over 10 and a half furlongs [after the Poulains], but Mario wanted to keep the horse at a mile with the view of stretching him in distance at four. We came in and bought into the horse after the St James's Palace, so we were involved with him when he ran in the Jacques le Marois. At this point we were really keen to keep him in training next year."

He continues, "That's a little bit of my regret, that we didn't see him over 10. He was so good at a mile but I think there was maybe something else to see over 10 because he was finishing his races so strongly, and his pedigree says that he would have been suited for 10 furlongs. But he did enough at two, and he



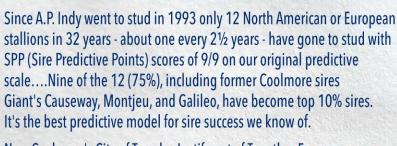
did enough this year, for us to retire him. He's a great addition for us and a great addition for the French breeders.

"The Dubawi line is still not very well represented in France," de Chambure adds of Metropolitan's place in the French market. "Obviously, we have Zarak, but we haven't had many sons of Dubawi in France. It's important to have that sire line in France, and he's an outcross to a lot of the Galileo lines, so it makes him very easy to use and open to a lot of different mares."

Bred by Stuart McPhee, Metropolitan is the second winner from four runners out of his unraced dam, Alianza (GB) (Halling), a half-sister to the Listed-placed Boater (Ire) (Helmet {Aus}). Also unraced was his second dam, Cercle d'Amour (Storm Cat), a full-sister to the Listed-winning Royal Tigress (Storm Cat) and a half-sister to the G3 Norfolk Stakes winner and G1 Prix Morny runner-up Warm Heart (Diesis {GB}).

Etreham and their associates have been busy recruiting suitable mates for the three-year-old at the recent breeding stock sales, both in Europe and the US. Their acquisitions include black-type performers such as the Listed scorer Turn Cartwheels (Fr) (Dream Ahead), bought for €130,000 at Arqana, and the G3 Prix Miesque second Lady Mia (Fr) (Outstrip {GB}), who fetched \$80,000 at Keeneland.

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"In a competitive and selective market, it is essential to support one's stallions and Metropolitan will benefit from strong backing from his connections," says de Chambure. "A number of shares have been sold to some of the leading breeders in France and abroad. They have reserved a quality broodmare band for him and we are delighted with the welcome he has received since the announcement of his arrival at stud and following visits.

"We warmly invite breeders to come and see him at stud in order to finalise their crosses."

And what will breeders find when they come to see Metropolitan in the flesh?

"He has a bit of size, without being too tall, and he's got a lovely attitude about him," de Chambure adds. "For a Zarak he's got great strength and depth and he's built like a miler. He's got that balance and he walks well--he's very correct. I think he's going to suit loads of mares physically. He's such a good-looking horse. I think when you see him, you really want to breed to him."

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RACE PREVIEWS



Meydan preview cont. from p1

"Measured Time has had a nice break and goes in stronger to this year's Al Rashidiya," Appleby said of the son of Frankel (GB), who was last seen filling the runner-up spot in the GI Sword Dancer Stakes, also at Saratoga, in August. "We're looking forward to him starting his Dubai campaign on Friday."

Among his rivals is **Royal Dubai (Fr)** (Seahenge), a three-time Meydan winner, who returns after a summer campaign in Britain.

"He did really well in Dubai last season, improving 15lbs and winning two races," said trainer Lucie Botti. "He's proved he belongs in this company, but he's had a little break so it's going to be stepping stones to bigger things."

The international contingent is bolstered by **Sean (Ger)** (Excelebration {Ire}), trained by Jamie Osborne. He was a consistent performer in Dubai last season when finishing fourth in the G2 Zabeel Mile, second in the G3 Dubai Millennium and third in the G2 Singspiel Stakes. Cont. p5



Click the image to watch the TDN video on Metropolitan ahead of his first season at Haras d'Etreham in 2025 | Katie Petrunyak



Measured Time is back in action at Meydan on Friday | Sarah Andrew

Meydan preview cont.

"Sean is back again in an attempt to avenge last year's unlucky defeats," said Osborne. "It's not going to be easy for him but we are hopeful he can have a fruitful Meydan campaign this year.

"Measured Time should be in a league of his own and it's likely Sean will tighten up for the run. We are probably all playing for second. This race will tell us whether his next run should be the [G2] Zabeel Mile or the Lord North [Handicap]."

US Imports Clash in Maktoum Mile

The official feature on the Festive Friday card is the AED1,000,000 G2 Al Maktoum Mile Sponsored by Emaar, an early pointer towards the G1 Dubai World Cup and G2 Godolphin Mile. It has attracted a field of six, including Bhupat Seemar's exciting new recruit **Artorius** (Arrogate).

"Artorius won the Curlin Stakes in America but hasn't been here that long, so we're still finding out about him," said Seemar. "He's by a Grade I winner and out of a Grade I winner [Paulassilverlining] so he's certainly bred for the job."

Another US import who could provide the stiffest opposition to Artorius is the Doug Watson trainee Clapton (Brethren).

Formerly trained by Chad Summers, Clapton finished third in both the G1 Maktoum Challenge and G2 Maktoum Classic last season, before an eleventh-place finish in the Dubai World Cup.

"He had a busy schedule for three years," said Watson. "He's had some time off and he's fresh and well with us. I don't think the drop back in trip is a problem. We're just going to let him run where he's happy."

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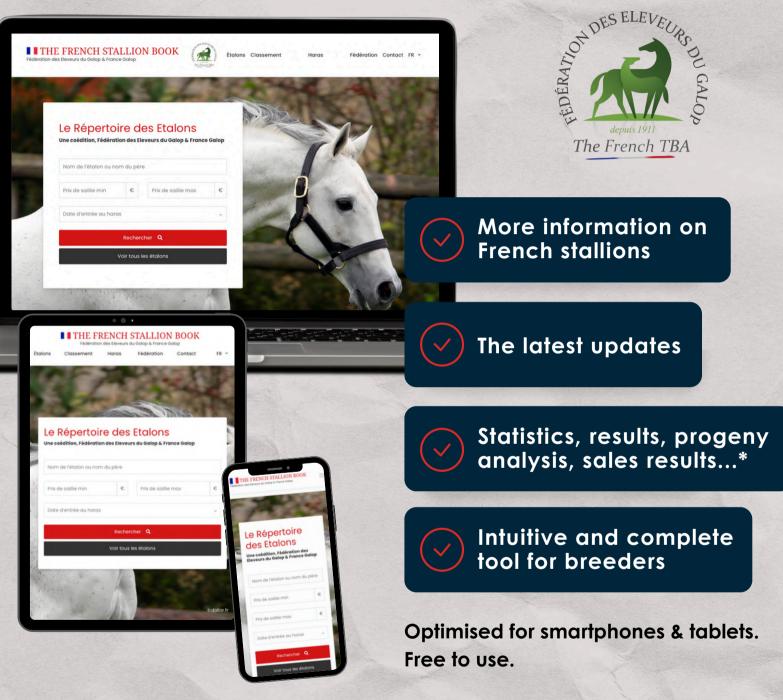
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Friday, December 20, 2024:

UNITED KINGDOM

Earthlight (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud 113 foals of racing age/19 winners/1 black-type winner 11:00-SOUTHWELL, 8f, Aiyana Rose (Ire) €75,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023 16:30-WOLVERHAMPTON, 8.75f, Perfect Life (Ire) €20,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €30,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023; 25,000gns Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2024

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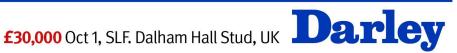
Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 83 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners 13:07-SOUTHWELL, 5f, Farandaway (Ire) 18,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 111 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners 13:07-SOUTHWELL, 5f, Backspin (Ire) €45,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; £100,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023 13:07-SOUTHWELL, 5f, Hello Zaman (Ire) 40,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2023

Mohaather (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), Beech House Stud 96 foals of racing age/21 winners/3 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 7.25f, Mother Mara (GB) 68,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 80,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud 121 foals of racing age/28 winners/2 black-type winners 11:00-SOUTHWELL, 8f, Fiery Angel (GB) 4,500gns RNA Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022





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Shaman (Ire) (Shamardal), Yeomanstown Stud 104 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners 11:00-SOUTHWELL, 8f, Africa Charm (Ire) €16,000 Goffs February Sale 2023; £36,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023

Without Parole (GB) (Frankel {GB}), Newsells Park Stud 53 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners 18:00-WOLVERHAMPTON, 7.25f, Emily Rebecca (GB) 14,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; 42,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2023

FRANCE

Chachnak (Fr) (Kingman {GB}), Haras de la Gastine 28 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner 5-CHANTILLY, 1600m, La Ferretcapienne (Fr)

Hello Youmzain (Fr) (Kodiac {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 111 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners 3-CHANTILLY, 1600m, Rosapenna (Fr) 5-CHANTILLY, 1600m, Calla Fonda (GB) €30,000 RNA Argana Deauville October Yearlings 2023 Latrobe (Ire) (Camelot {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 37 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Kada Latrobe (Fr)

Lucky Team (Fr) (Namid {GB}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 3 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners 1-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Addiction Gagnante (Fr)

Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Haras d'Etreham 105 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners 3-CHANTILLY, 1600m, Hall of Fame (Fr) €35,000 Argana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud 110 foals of racing age/22 winners/1 black-type winner 5-CHANTILLY, 1600m, **Alsaba (Ire)**

Romanised (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), Haras de Bouquetot 85 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners

1-CHANTILLY, 1900m, **Zia Agnese (Fr)** €27,000 Argana Deauville Yearling Sale V2 2023





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Sottsass (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Coolmore Stud 98 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners 1-CHANTILLY, 1900m, Yamanaka (Fr) €17,000 RNA Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023; €15,000 Arqana Deauville Summer Mixed Sale 2024

Yafta (GB) (Dark Angel {Ire}), Haras de la Haie Neuve 26 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 3-CHANTILLY, 1600m, Apogeo (Fr) €5,000 Arqana Deauville Nov. Yearling Sale 2023

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

NIBLING OF WALDGEIST SET FOR WOLVERHAMPTON BOW

17.30 Wolverhampton, Nov, £9,650, 2yo, f, 7f 36y (AWT)
Newsells Park Stud's hitherto unraced WARM GLOW (GB) (Oasis
Dream {GB}) is a half-sister to G1 St Leger-winning sire Masked
Marvel (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}) and to the G3 Prix Penelopewinning dam of multiple Group 1-winning sire Waldgeist (GB)
(Galileo {Ire}). The James Fanshawe-trained homebred
encounters eight rivals in this unveiling.

16.30 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £6,300, 2yo, 8f 142y (AWT)
Cayton Park Stud homebred KING OF NARNIA (GB) (Kingman (GB)) became upset in the stalls and was a late scratching from his intended debut at Kempton earlier this month. The Aprilfoaled bay is a John and Thady Gosden-conditioned half-brother to four stakes performers headed by multiple Group 1-winning dual South African champion Oh Susanna (Aus) (Street Cry {Ire})

and the dual Group 1-placed Signore Fox (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}). He is opposed by a half-dozen in this belated first go.

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BRITAIN

Thursday's Results:

4th-Chelmsford City, £9,000, Nov, 12-19, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:37.08, st.

RAJEKO (IRE) (c, 2, Kameko--Rajar {GB} {SP-Eng, Fr & UAE, \$114,481}, by Archipenko) snagged his June 3 debut at Windsor, but finished off the board in Newmarket's July 11 G2 July Stakes and York's Aug. 21 G3 Acomb Stakes last time. Tracking the pace in second after a sharp break, the 4-6 pick came under pressure on the home turn for his challenge at the top of the straight and was driven out to deny the tenacious pacesetter Port Light (Ire) (City Light (Fr)) by a neck after a finalquarter duel. Rajeko is the third of four foals and lone scorer out of the multiple stakes-placed Listed UAE 1000 Guineas third Rajar (GB) (Archipenko), herself kin to Listed Star Stakes runnerup Ajrar (GB) (Nayef) and Listed Denford Stakes third Robjon (GB) (Mukhadram {GB}). The April-foaled bay is half to a weanling filly by Coulsty (Ire). Sales history: €9,000 Wlg '22 GOFNO1; €42,000 Ylg '23 TATIRY; £79,000 2yo '24 GOUKB. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$19,635.

O-Jastar Ltd, M Khan & Partner; B-Phillistown House (IRE); T-Michael Bell.

2nd-Chelmsford City, £9,000, Nov, 12-19, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:11.60, st.

SUNLIT UPLANDS (IRE) (f, 2, Sands Of Mali {Fr}--Illico {GB}, by Dansili (GB)), runner-up over course and distance in her Oct. 31 debut last time, chased the leaders in fifth through the early fractions of this return. Taking closer order entering the home straight, the 4-11 chalk joined the front rank approaching the furlong pole and was ridden out to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Lydia Eva (GB) (Showcasing {GB}), becoming the 20th winner for her freshman sire (by Panis). Sunlit Uplands, half-sister to a yearling filly by Cotai Glory (GB), is the fifth of six foals and third scorer produced by an unraced daughter of GI E P Taylor Stakes heroine Insight (Fr) (Sadler's Wells). Insight, whose quartet of stakes performers is headed by G1 Prix Jean Prat third Ershaad (Kingmambo) and G3 Park Express Stakes runner-up Hand On Heart (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}), is out of dual stakes-winning matriarch Or Vision (Irish River {Fr}). Sales history: 8,000gns Wlg '22 TADEWE; 16,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$8,475.

O/T-Rae Guest; B-Prospect Stables (IRE).

3rd-Southwell, £6,300, Nov, 12-19, 2vo, 6f 16v (AWT), 1:14.27, st. DON PACIFICO (IRE) (c, 2, Night Of Thunder {Ire}--Dubai Blue, by More Than Ready), a Nov. 18 first-up third tackling this trip at Wolverhampton last time, was under restraint in third after breaking swiftly from the inside stall and racing keenly through the initial strides here. Easing forward in the straight, the 8-13 favourite quickened to the fore with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and kept on strongly for one flick of the persuader in the latter stages to overpower Stardancer (Ire) (Dark Angel (Ire)) by 2 3/4 lengths. Don Pacifico is the lone registered foal produced by a dual-winning half-sister to GII Del Mar Derby and GIII WinStar Mint Million victor Pixelate (City Zip). The February-foaled chestnut's stakes-winning second dam Speckled (Street Cry {Ire}) is a half-sister to dual Grade II winner Skylighter (Sky Mesa), whose descendants include last year's GI American Oaks heroine Wet Paint (Blame). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$5,317. O-Rabbah Racing; B-Godolphin (IRE); T-Simon & Ed Crisford.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Southwell, £**6,300, Nov**, 12-19, 2yo, 6f 16y (AWT), 1:16.13, st.

LINE OF FORCE (IRE) (c, 2, Calyx {GB}--Ligne D'Amour {Ire}, by Galileo {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$29,577. O-John Stocker; B-Yulong Investments (Australia) Pty (IRE); T-Joseph Parr. *£28,000 RNA Ylg '23 GOFFUK; 28,000gns 2yo '24 TATAHI.

FRANCE

Thursday's Result:

PRIX ARCANGUES - POLYTRACK CHALLENGE-Listed, €52,000, Deauville, 12-19, 3yo/up, 12 1/2f (AWT), 2:40.46, st.

- 1--PRESAGE NOCTURNE (IRE), 128, c, 4, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Kyurem (Ire) (SP-Fr), by Verglas (Ire). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€70,000 Ylg '21 ARQAUG; €12,000 3yo '23 ARQFEB; €400,000 RNA 4yo '24 ARQARC). O-Paolo Zambelli, Carlo Pellegatti, Mme Rana Khaddam, Aksam Khaddam, Alessandro Botti & Giuseppe Botti; B-Haras de la Perelle (IRE); T-Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti; J-Stephane Pasquier. €26,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 12-4-5-1, €131,420. *1/2 to Titanium (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}), SP-Fr, €132,903.
- 2--Goya Senora (Fr), 131, g, 8, Anodin (Ire)--Nina Senora (Fr), by My Risk (Fr). O-Alain Jathiere & Ecurie Haras des Senora; B-Ecurie Haras des Senora (FR); T-Yann Barberot. €10,400.
- 3--**Hooking (GB)**, 128, g, 8, Lope De Vega (Ire)--Quanzhou (Fr), by Dubawi (Ire). (€97,000 Ylg '17 ARQOCT). O-Ecurie Griezmann; B-Haras de la Perelle (GB); T-Philippe Decouz. €7,800.



Presage Nocturne (left) | Scoop Dyga

Margins: SNK, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 2.60, 9.00, 3.70. Also Ran: Rodainah (Fr), The Good Man (Fr), Trabuco (Fr), Nights On Broadway (Fr), Lev (GB), Precious Jewel (GB), Aff Un Zo (Ger), Crystal Wine (Ire).

WORLDWIDE NEWS

NEWCOMER LEMON POP HEADS DARLEY JAPAN ROSTER AT ¥5 MILLION

Lemon Pop, who recently became the first dual winner of the G1 Champions Cup for over a decade, has been introduced at a fee of \pm 5 million (\pm 30,615) for 2025, identifying him as the most expensive stallion on the Darley Japan roster.

The six-year-old son of Lemon Drop Kid, who was crowned the JRA Best Dirt Horse in 2023, will embark on his first season in Hokkaido following his Chukyo swansong which saw him retire as the winner of 13 of his 18 career starts. Trained by Hiroyasu Tanaka, he also won last year's G1 February Stakes at Tokyo.

Lemon Pop will stand alongside the proven dirt sire **Pyro**, who will stand for an unchanged fee of ¥4 million (€24,492), and **Palace Malice**, the sire of this year's G1 NHK Mile Cup hero Jantar Mantar (Jpn). Previously based at Three Chimneys Farm, Palace Malice remains at a fee of ¥3.5 million (€21,430), having been the busiest stallion in Japan this year after relocating to Hokkaido.

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Darley Japan fees cont.

Adayar (Ire) and Hukum (Ire), both top-class performers over middle-distances in Europe, also kicked off their second careers at Darley Japan this season. Derby hero Adayar will command an unchanged fee of ¥1.8 million (€11,021), while Hukum, who gained his biggest success in the 2023 G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes, remains at ¥1.2 million (€7,347).

Among the notable increases is that earned by Tower Of **London (Jpn)**, who will stand for a fee of ¥2 million (€12,246) in 2025, up from ¥1.5 million this season. The son of Raven's Pass has enjoyed a successful year with his first crop of two-year-old runners, headed by the G2 Keio Hai Nisai Stakes winner Panja Tower (Jpn).

Shotaro Kajiya, nominations manager, said, "In addition to Palace Malice, who had the largest number of coverings this year, and Tower Of London, whose first runners gained so much attention, we now have Lemon Pop, who achieved unparalleled success on dirt tracks, joining the stallion roster to make it even stronger than before.

"We will continue to strive to support owners and breeders by standing the best stallions from around the world while offering attractive terms. We look forward to your continued generous support."

Darley Japan's full list of fees:

- Lemon Pop, ¥5 million
- Pyro, ¥4 million
- Palace Malice, ¥3.5 million
- Tower Of London (Jpn), ¥2 million
- Adayar (Ire), ¥1.8 million
- Fine Needle (Jpn), ¥1.5 million
- Thunder Snow (Ire), ¥1.5 million
- Yoshida (Jpn), ¥1.5 million
- American Patriot, ¥1.2 million
- Hukum (Ire), ¥1.2 million
- Will Take Charge, ¥1.2 million
- Talismanic (GB), ¥1 million

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DAVID ELLIS INDUCTED INTO NEW ZEALAND RACING HALL OF FAME

More than four decades after his first experience as a winning owner, David Ellis has been recognised for his contribution to racing with induction to the New Zealand Racing Hall of Fame. Ellis is best known as the founder and principal of Te Akau Racing, New Zealand's most successful racehorse syndication model and in whose colours the 10-time Group 1 winner Imperatriz (Aus) (I Am Invincible {Aus}) raced, among others.

"I was in my early twenties when I won that race at Paeroa all those years ago and I thought it was the biggest thrill you could have in life," Ellis told Loveracing.nz.

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David Ellis cont.

"My trainer Bill Ford came with me into the winner's room, but he had another horse in the next race that he had to saddle up and I ended up celebrating my first ever win by myself.

"That made me think there's got to be a better way to do this. I realised that I'd rather celebrate together with other people and that was the beginning of my idea to syndicate horses, bringing people together to enjoy the thrill of winning."

He added, "It's quite incredible to think that when Captured By Love won the New Zealand 1000 Guineas at Riccarton last month, that was the 98th Group 1 winner by horses that I've either bought, bred or managed under the Te Akau umbrella.

"Any award, whether you're recognised by your peers or by a higher body, is very humbling and this is certainly no different.

"It's an absolute honour to think that I'm being acknowledged alongside people who I have admired massively over the years--people like my great late friend Colin Jillings, other hugely successful trainers like Dave O'Sullivan and Jim Gibbs, and industry icons such as Sir Patrick Hogan and Sir Peter Vela."

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Thursday's Result:

NAGOYA DAISHOTEN (Jpn-G3)-Listed, ¥54,000,000, Nagoya, 12-19, 3yo/up, 2000m, 2:07.40 (NTR), gd.

1--MIKKI FIGHT (JPN), 127, c, 3, Drefong

1st Dam: Special Groove (Jpn), by Special Week (Jpn) 2nd Dam: Sonic Groove (Jpn), by French Deputy 3rd Dam: Air Groove (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire)

O-Mizuki Noda; B-Northern Farm (Jpn); T-Hiroyasu Tanaka; J-Keita Tosaki; ¥30,000,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Jpn, 6-4-1-1, ¥116,415,000. *1/2 to Jun Light Bolt (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}), G1SW-Jpn, \$2,196,315; and Groove It (Jpn) (Lord Kanaloa {Jpn}), GSW-Jpn, \$1,139,900.

- 2--Notturno (Jpn), 133, h, 5, Heart's Cry (Jpn)--Sheikh's Serenade, by Unbridled's Song. (¥43,000,000 Ylg '20 JRHJUL). O-Makoto Kaneko Holdings; B-Shimokobe Farm (Jpn); ¥10,500,000.
- 3--Shimme Daisy (Jpn), 119, c, 3, Copano Rickey (Jpn)--Izumi Commander (Jpn), by Commander in Chief (GB). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Masafumi Kusunoki; B-Tagami Farm (Jpn); ¥6,000,000.

Margins: NK, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.60, 30.80, 84.50. Also Ran: Sammaru Patrol (Jpn), Another Truth (Jpn), Yamanin Ours (Jpn), Outrange (Jpn), Radical Barows (Jpn), Bell Pit (Jpn), Al Barsha (Jpn), Melt (Jpn), Falcon Wing (Jpn). Click for the NRA chart & video.

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	6	Artorius	Arrogate	O'Shea	Seemar	126
2	5	Clapton	Brethren	Dobbs	Watson	126
3	3	Desert Wisdom (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	De Vries	Al Shemaili	126
4	1	Meshtri	Medaglia d'Oro	Coen	Costa	126
5	4	Qareeb	Speightstown	De Sousa	Al Mheiri	126
6	2	Quality Humor	Distorted Humor	Beaslev	Bin Harmash	126

Friday, Meydan, UAE, post time: 8.25pm

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	4	Measured Time (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Buick	Appleby	128
2	3	Alfareeq (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Crowley	Al Mheiri	126
3	7	Cairo (Ire)	Quality Road	De Sousa	Haynes	126
4	6	Daramethos (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Dobbs	Olascoaga	126
5	2	Franz Kafka (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Beasley	Bin Harmash	126
6	1	Home Brew	Street Sense	Coen	Costa	126
7	5	Natural World (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Chavez	Ibrahim	126
8	9	Royal Dubai (Fr)	Seahenge	Tudhope	Botti	126
9	8	Sean (Ger)	Excelebration (Ire)	De Vries	Osborne	126

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan, post time: 3.40 p.m.

ARIMA KINEN-G1, ¥955,000,000, 3yo/up, 2500mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Danon Decile (Jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	N Yokoyama	S Yasuda	123
2	Do Deuce (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Take	Tomomichi	128
3	Urban Chic (Jpn)	Suave Richard (Jpn)	Lemaire	Takei	123
4	Blow the Horn (Jpn)	Epiphaneia (Jpn)	Sugawara	Yoshioka	128
5	Bellagio Opera (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	K Yokoyama	Uemura	126
6	Rousham Park (Jpn)	Harbinger (GB)	Marquand	Tanaka	128
7	Stars on Earth (Jpn) (f)	Duramente (Jpn)	Kawada	Takayanagi	123
8	Regaleira (Jpn) (f)	Suave Richard (Jpn)	Tosaki	Kimura	119
9	Deep Bond (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Miyuki	Okubo	128
10	Prognosis (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Miura	Nakauchida	128
11	Justin Palace (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Sakai	Sugiyama	128
12	Struve (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Sameshima	Hori	128
13	Stunning Rose (Jpn) (f)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Moore	Takano	123
14	Danon Beluga (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	K Matsuyama	Hori	128
15	Hayayakko (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Y Yoshida	Kunieda	128
16	Shahryar (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	C Demuro	Fujiwara	128

Breeders: 1-Shadai Farm, 2-Northern Farm, 3-Shunsuke Yoshida, 4-Okada Stud, 5-Tsunebumi Yoshihara, 6-Northern Racing, 7-Shadai Farm, 8-Northern Farm, 9-Murata Bokujo, 10-Shadai Farm, 11-Northern Racing, 12-Oiwake Farm, 13-Northern Farm, 14-Northern Farm, 15-Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc, 16-Northern Farm

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