

ENJOYING A BREAKTHROUGH YEAR, D'ANGELO BARN 'LOADED' HEADING INTO 2025



Jose D'Angelo | Ryan Thompson

by Steve Sherack

A leading trainer in his native Venezuela, Jose D'Angelo decided that it was time to “head to the big leagues,” and relocated to South Florida in 2019.

After having GIII Sam F. Davis Stakes winner **No More Time** (**Not This Time**) on the GI Kentucky Derby trail this spring, winning his first career Grade I with **Howard Wolowitz** (**Munnings**) in the Aristocrat Franklin-Simpson Stakes at Kentucky Downs in September, and recording second-place finishes on the biggest of stages with **Gabaldon** (Gone Astray) in the Windsor Castle Stakes at Royal Ascot and **Bentornato** (**Valiant Minister**) in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint, D'Angelo has firmly established himself as a major player on these shores just five years later.

D'Angelo's stable of approximately 100 head--currently split between Palm Meadows (85) and Tampa Bay Downs (10)--has posted a record of 752-137-132-103 (18% winning percentage) in 2024 with career-best earnings of \$7,325,451 (through Friday, Dec. 20).

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MAJOR DUDE MOWS'EM DOWN LATE, EARNS MILLIONAIRE STATUS IN FT. LAUDERDALE SCORE

Traffic trouble proved to be no problem for **Major Dude** (Bolt d'Oro), who muscled his way to the lead and went on to becoming racing's newest millionaire in the GII Ft. Lauderdale Stakes at Gulfstream Park.

Despite only winning twice this season in the lead up to this race, Major Dude had been rounding into his best form to date. When he won last out Oct. 10 at Keeneland against allowance company, his two-length victory was given a 96 Beyer and his effort July 20 at Saratoga against optional claimers garnered a 97 Beyer figure. He had sandwiched a fifth place effort in the GI Fourstardave Handicap in between those runs, and was a close 2-1 second choice in the betting with GISW **Win for the Money** (Mohaymen) here.

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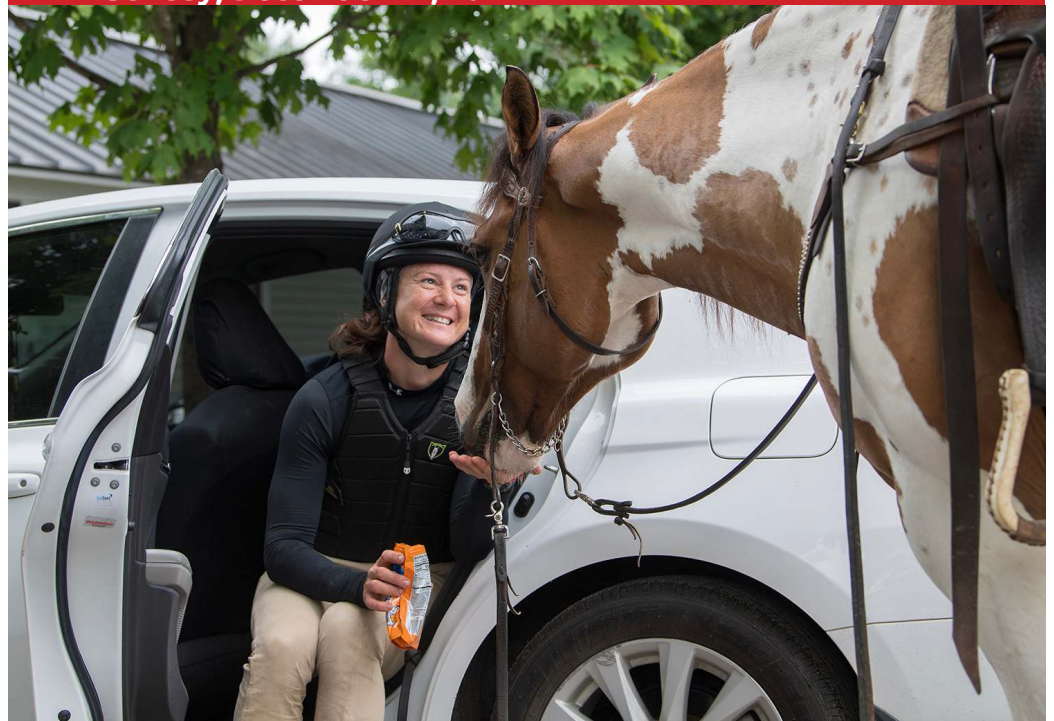
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2024 in photos: July 24. Amanda Villafranco shares a snack with Sunny the pony after training hours at Saratoga. | Sarah Andrew

9 | ROCKET CAN UPSETS HARLAN'S HOLIDAY, PEGASUS 'MAYBE'

Rocket Can rocketed home to claim his first stakes victory in two years in the GIII Harlan's Holiday at Gulfstream Park, and has his connections thinking about a start in the GI Pegasus World Cup.

10 | 'RISING STAR' BE YOUR BEST IS MUCH THE BEST IN SUWANEE RIVER

The Muhaarar (GB) filly picked up her second graded victory in a row after moving to the barn of Saffie Joseph Jr., and if all systems are 'go' in the days ahead, has stamped herself a ticket to the GII Pegasus World Cup Filly & Mare Turf.

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Jose D'Angelo, cont. from p1

He trails only trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. on the leaderboard at Gulfstream's Championship Meet after saddling four winners on Friday's card.

"It's been an amazing year, I'm living a dream," D'Angelo, 34, said.

"All the places that these horses have brought me to in the same year--Ascot, Saudi, Dubai, Del Mar for Breeders' Cup, etc.--and they all ran so so well. You can be a good trainer, but if you don't have the right horses, you won't go anywhere. I'm trying to have the quality and compete at the top level here and all over the world. In this sport, when you take care of the small details, big things will come."

D'Angelo added, "We're getting better and better horses and every day is better than the last one."

Even the day after Christmas.

Leon King Stable Corp.'s Bentornato, third after leading at the top of the stretch in a fantastic renewal of the G3 Saudi Derby at King Abdulaziz Racecourse Feb. 24 and a too-good-to-lose second at 28-1 in the Breeders' Cup Sprint at Del Mar Nov. 2, will look to go one better from a tough rail draw in the GI Malibu Stakes on Santa Anita's opening-day program.

A winner of his first four attempts at two at Gulfstream Park, including a trio of stakes, the Florida-bred added this term's GI Gallant Bob Stakes at Parx Sept. 21 prior to his bang-up second at the Championships.

"He's run some huge races this year," D'Angelo said. "He ran his heart out in Saudi, he ran an amazing race at Charles Town (second in the Robert Hilton Memorial Stakes Aug. 23), he won the Gallant Bob at Parx and he almost won the Breeders' Cup against older horses. Six furlongs is really his specialty, but this seven furlongs for the Malibu--I think this track is very similar to Gulfstream's and that can help carry his speed." **Cont.**

9 G1SWs

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“He just ran against older and that should be an advantage for him. He's doing excellent.”

D'Angelo added, “He's a very special horse. Donato Lanni loved him and he's part of this horse, too. The owner decided to pinhook him—we bought him for \$45,000 (OBS October yearling) and they sold him for \$170,000 (OBS March 2-year-old). The buyers returned the horse though, so that's why he's named Bentornato. It means welcome back in Italian.”

Stars in the Making...

D'Angelo unveiled a pair of very promising 2-year-olds to 'TDN Rising Star' performances earlier this fall.

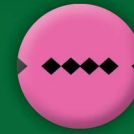
Morplay Racing's 'Rising Star' **Shisospicy** (Mitole) debuted with a head-turning, 16 1/4-length maiden victory at Gulfstream Park Oct. 18, then was third as the favorite after dueling through fast fractions in the Fern Creek Stakes going 6 1/2 furlongs at Churchill Downs Nov. 30.

Hailing from the second crop of champion sprinter Mitole, she was bred in Kentucky by Bill and Corinne Heiligbrodt and was produced by the three-time winning Into Mischief mare Mischief Galore. Shisospicy, a \$100,000 Keeneland January short yearling and \$200,000 Fasig-Tipton July yearling, RNA'd for \$300,000 after breezing in :9 3/5 at OBS April.

“She's such a nice filly, her talent is incredible,” D'Angelo said. “I don't know her limits yet.”

D'Angelo continued, “When I ran her the first time, I didn't push her too much because when she works, she works so fast. I knew she was going to win, but didn't think she'd win by 16 lengths. After watching that, that's why we jumped her first condition and put her in the stakes at Churchill, where she fought so hard on the lead and got beat by two stakes fillies with more experience.”

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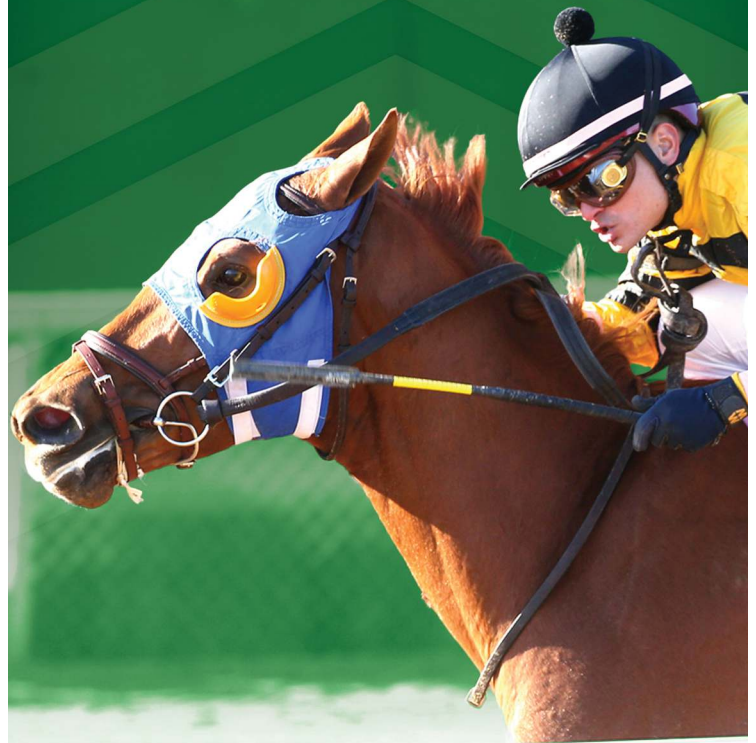
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He added, "I don't know if she will go long, but the plan is to freshen her a little bit, keep her happy and sound and find the right spot for her next race."

Guns Loaded (Gun Runner), a respectable second on debut after stumbling at the start and showing good speed going seven furlongs at Saratoga Aug. 31, earned his 'Rising Star' badge with a powerful, front-running victory at second asking while cutting back to six furlongs at Churchill Downs Nov. 16, good for an 88

Beyer Speed Figure. The latter race has already produced a pair of next-out winners--Ain't No Disco (Catalina Cruiser) (third-place finisher) and Brodeur (**Nyquist**) (sixth-place finisher).

Gulfstream's Mucho Macho Man Stakes going a one-turn mile Jan. 4 is a potential landing spot for the \$800,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase, who is campaigned in partnership by Morplay, Joey Platts and Lady Sheila Stable.

"Our goal is to try to make the Derby with him," D'Angelo said.

"He's a **Gun Runner**. He's supposed to be able to go longer and I think he can do it. He's a smart horse, the kind that when he works by himself, he doesn't show you all of his class. When he works in company, he works differently, and that's why I brought him to (debut at) Saratoga."

One of 16 'Rising Stars' for leading young sire **Gun Runner**, Guns Loaded is out of the MGSP Bernardini mare Sky My Sky and hails from the extended female family of MG1SWs Nebraska Tornado (Storm Cat) and Westover (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**). He was bred in Kentucky by John Oxley. **Cont.**

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D'Angelo's current stable star **Howard Wolowitz** could make his next start in the G2 1351 Turf Sprint on the Saudi Cup undercard Feb. 22. The Gold Square colorbearer and \$240,000 Keeneland January product bounced back from a ninth-place finish in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint with a 'big bang,' nearly setting a track record for six furlongs in last weekend's Holiday Cheer Stakes at Turfway Park. He earned a career-high 103 Beyer Speed Figure for the effort.

"He's very special to me," D'Angelo said. "A horse with amazing talent and a character to train."

GU Racing Stable's **Twirling Queen (Twirling Candy)**, a four-time stakes winner this term, including Del Mar's Senator Ken Maddy Stakes on Breeders' Cup Friday, will make her next start in the Abundantia Stakes going five furlongs on the Gulfstream turf Dec. 28, per D'Angelo.

The aforementioned **Gabaldon** and **No More Time** are both expected to return to action for D'Angelo in 2025.

An upset winner at first asking of Gulfstream's Royal Palm Juvenile Stakes, the overachieving \$9,000 OBS October yearling purchase Gabaldon has been on the shelf since his second-place finish at Royal Ascot. Qatar Racing acquired a 50% interest (for \$150,000) in Gabaldon following this summer's Inglis Digital USA July Sale. His original owner Soldi Stable has retained the other half.

Morplay Racing's No More Time, last seen coming up just a neck short of subsequent GISW Domestic Product (**Practical Joke**) in the GIII Lambholm South Tampa Bay Derby Mar. 9, suffered a condylar fracture of his left front leg during a workout in April while preparing for the Kentucky Derby. Bred on the same **Not This Time** x Speightstown cross as GISW Just One Time, the Iowa-bred brought \$40,000 as a Keeneland September yearling.

"They are both on the farm doing well and getting better for next year," D'Angelo said. "Gabaldon is already galloping and I'm looking forward to moving him to Palm Meadows in January. No More Time is an amazing horse with a big heart and brought us to dream of the Derby. He was my first graded winner here (winning the Sam F. Davis) and I owe a lot to him and his connections for the opportunity to train him."

Father-and-Son Training Team...

D'Angelo learned the ropes from his father, Francisco D'Angelo, who was also a leading trainer in Venezuela. His dad is now his right-hand man, serving as assistant trainer.

"I wanted to emulate him. My father was Venezuela champion trainer three times and I learned everything from him," said D'Angelo, adding that his grandfather was a turf writer.

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Also, **MYSTIC LAKE**, a daughter of **Mo Town**, earned her fifth stakes conquest this year in the **Sugar Swirl S.** at Gulfstream Park.

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“I won the Clasico Simon Bolivar--it's like our Derby--and I'm the youngest trainer to do that.”

He added, “To do good here, you need a team. It's better to have two trainers than one. We make a great team here in USA. I feel blessed to have the opportunity to work with my father.”

The elder D'Angelo, a finalist for this year's Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards (Dedication to Racing Award), presented by Godolphin, said, “I feel privileged that God gave me this gift of being able to work as my son's assistant. I decided to step aside as an active trainer to work alongside my son. All parents want the best for their children. I believe that I have had time to prove what I had to prove (as a trainer) and now it's my turn to play the role of an assisting father.”

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Major Dude, cont. from p1

Fractious in the gate but able to find cover in midpack around the turn and up the backstretch, Major Dude was traveling comfortably behind :24.13, :47.97, and 1:10.99 early splits. With the pack closing ranks through the far bend and running room limited, he was forced to wait until the eighth pole to find it. Muscling his way to clear sailing just in time to meet a fast-closing GSW **Fort Washington (War Front)**, the Spendthrift colors sailed home to win the photo by a neck.

“[I got a] beautiful trip,” said Irad Ortiz Jr. “He broke sharp and we wanted to have a target with him. We like to cover him. He relaxed real good.”

“Before the quarter pole, I probably had a chance to go around but we think he likes it between horses. He's very game. I went for it and thank God it worked out perfect because otherwise I would be so sad, getting beat with these horses, because he was ready. He deserves a lot of credit. He deserves more credit than me.”



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The connections revealed the contest was intended to be a stepping stone for the GI Pegasus World Cup Turf, and with the win here, Major Dude had punched his ticket.

“We've been pointing for this [race] to hopefully set him up for the [GI] Pegasus Turf. That's what we were hoping for,” said winning trainer Todd Pletcher. “I think he ran well enough to give that a try.”

Pletcher claimed the top two spots in 2021 with MGISW Colonel Liam (**Liam's Map**) and GSW & GISP Largent (Into Mischief) and again in 2022 when Colonel Liam defended his title and MSW & GISP Never Surprised (**Constitution**) ran second.

Pedigree Note:

Hailing from the female line of the venerable champion older mare MGISW Personal Ensign (Private Account), Major Dude is the most accomplished runner for his dam, Mary Rita. The mare's most recent to the races is unplaced 3-year-old Radio Liberty (**Audible**). There is a yearling colt by **Charlatan** and a 2024 colt by **Jack Christopher** in the wings. Mary Rita was sent to Forte for 2025. This is the immediate family of 'TDN Rising Star' GISW Arabian Lion (**Justify**) through Listed placed Unbound (Distorted Humor), a half-sister to Major Dude's dam.

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Through the aforementioned third dam, the female family contains a fleet of accomplished runners, namely MGISW My Flag and her daughter, champion 2-year-old filly MGISW Storm Flag Flying; GSW Dynamic One (**Union Rags**); MGSW & GISP Performer (Speightstown); MGSP Salute (Unbridled) and her four graded-quality offspring led by GISW Mr Speaker (Pulpit); and GISW Seeking the Soul (Perfect Soul {Ire}). The named runners hail from just three of Personal Ensign's daughters as an exhaustive list would run off the page.

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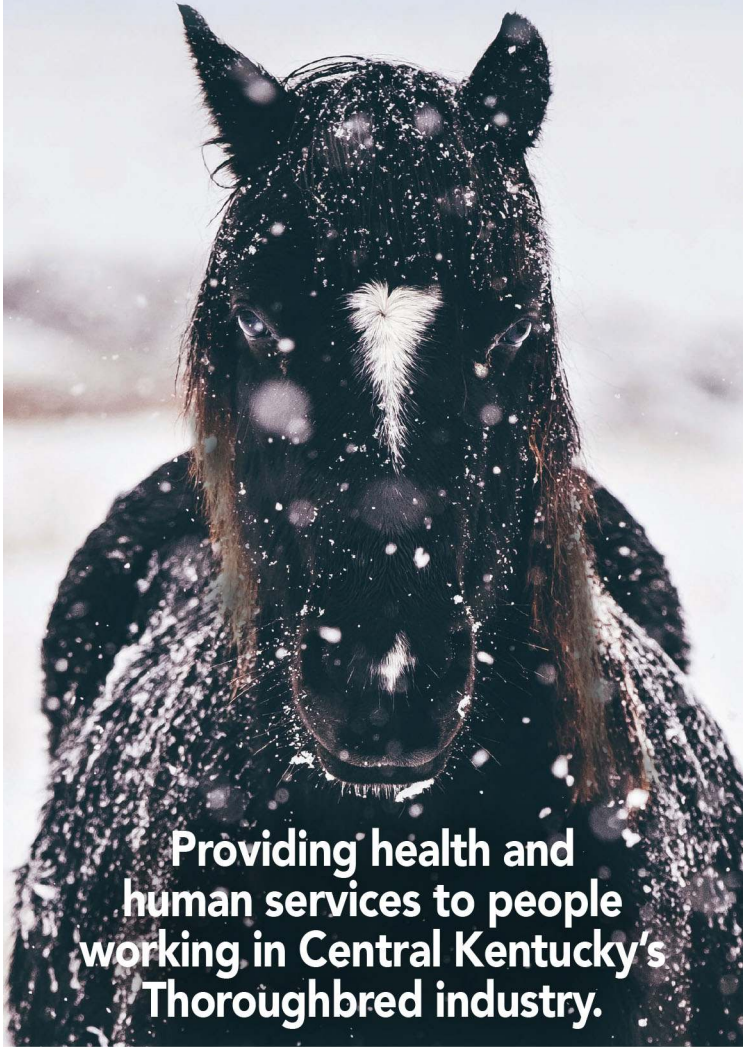


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Rocket Can (left) | Ryan Thompson

Two years removed from the last time he won a stakes race, and at the same track no less, **Rocket Can** (Into Mischief) turned his fortunes around with a game victory in the GIII Harlan's Holiday Stakes.

The three-quarter-length victor of the GIII Holy Bull Stakes in 2023, his connections took a shot at the Derby trail and the race itself, but ultimately had to go on the sidelines after finishing ninth on the big day. Gone until March of this year, when he made a successful return to the races at Oaklawn against optional claimers, he stayed in that condition for the next several races. He did not see the winner's circle again until this contest, and ended up a long way ninth last out Dec. 1 in the Listed Cherokee Mile Stakes at Churchill Downs after giving the gate crew issues and taking contact early.

Let go here at 10-1 by the betting public, Rocket Can settled in sixth as 8-5 favorite GSW **Tumbarumba** (**Oscar Performance**) stepped forward to contest the issue on the outside of two others. In no hurry as the leading pack put up :23.93, :49.01, and 1:13.13 splits, he was the looming danger around the far turn as the speed started backing up. Bidding for the lead as they swung into the lane, he gradually inched away from the betting choice to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Tumbarumba held on to the runner-up spot while GSW **Steal Sunshine** (**Constitution**) rolled in from the back to claim third.

"He was feeling very good today," said winning rider Junior Alvarado. "He was on his toes and that's the kind of way you want to feel going into the race." **Cont.**

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“This horse means a lot to me and the owner has been very supportive of me through the years. It’s always great to win with these kinds of connections. It makes it very extra special.”

When asked if the colt could make his next start in the GI Pegasus World Cup at Gulfstream Jan. 25, trainer Bill Mott said, “I guess we would have to consider it. I don’t know if he’s great at nine furlongs, but we would have to consider it because he does like the racetrack.”

“Maybe we’ll look at it. You can have a good payday in there, I guess, even if you don’t win.”

Pedigree Note:

The first for his dam to find success on the track, Rocket Can is also Tension's first to claim any black-type. The mare is a half-sister to GSW & GISP Tiz Midnight (**Midnight Lute**), who set the track record for 1 1/16-miles en route to her victory in the GII Bayakoa Stakes at Los Alamitos, and who went on to produce MGSW & GISP Midnight Memories (Mastery). Ironically, both mom and daughter participated in the Zenyatta Stakes--the former when it was listed as a Grade I when she ran second, and the latter won it later as a Grade II contest. Another half-sister went on to produce GSP American Blaze (American Freedom).

The second dam Tough Tiz's Sis (Tiznow) was a multiple Grade I-winning mare and is herself a half-sibling to two other Listed and graded runners.

Tension's most recent to the races is unplaced 3-year-old Mongolian Max (**City of Light**) after she came up barren to Improbable in 2022. She produced a yearling filly by **Collected** the year after which is her last registered thus far. She went to **Elite Power** for 2025 after missing to **Curlin** in 2024.

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Saturday, Gulfstream

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY S.-GIII, \$150,000, Gulfstream, 12-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.01, ft.

1--**ROCKET CAN, 121, c, 4, by Into Mischief**



1st Dam: Tension, by Tapit

2nd Dam: Tough Tiz's Sis, by Tiznow

3rd Dam: Leaseholder, by Taylor's Falls

(\$245,000 RNA Ylg '21 FTSAUG). O-Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc.; B-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-William I. Mott; J-Junior Alvarado. \$90,210. Lifetime Record: 15-4-4-0, \$612,193. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++**. *Triple Plus*

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2--**Tumbarumba, 123, g, 4, Oscar Performance--Naive Enough**, by **Street Sense**. (\$30,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT). O-Wathnan Racing; B-Coteau Grove Farms, LLC (LA); T-Brian A. Lynch. \$29,100.

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3--**Steal Sunshine, 123, h, 5, Constitution--Warm Sunshine**, by Unbridled's Song. O-Michael & Jules Iavarone, Carrie L. Brogden, Kevin J. Pollard, Ed Gorry and David Menard; B-Machmer Hall (KY); T-Bobby S. Dibona. \$14,550.

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Margins: 1 1/4, 3 3/4, 3HF. Odds: 10.00, 1.60, 7.00.

Also Ran: Cape Trafalgar, Digital Ops, Vitality, Tuscan Sky, Super Corinto (Arg).

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'TDN RISING STAR' BE YOUR BEST IS MUCH THE BEST IN SUWANEE RIVER

It took a photo to separate her from the competition last time, but there was no such need Saturday afternoon as **'TDN Rising Star' Be Your Best (Ire)** (Muhaarar {GB}) dominated the GIII Suwanee River Handicap.

Winless since her juvenile season, but with several laudable efforts against elite company in 2023, the Irish-bred was sent to the barn of Saffie Joseph Jr. after her third place finish against optional claimers in early August at Saratoga. A rough trip two back Oct. 5 at Santa Anita in the GII Rodeo Drive Stakes left her in sixth. She rebounded last out Nov. 10 at Aqueduct when she took the field gate to wire in the GIII Long Island Stakes by a nose over SW No Show Sammy Jo (GB) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), snapping that one's four-race win streak.

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Given a 5-1 chance here against a field which included a pair of South African Grade 1 mares, **Be Your Best** stalked the pacesetter from second and launched a bid midway around the far turn when that one threw out the white flag after earlier fractions of :23.25, :47.20 and 1:10.38. Giving the field the slip as she sailed into upper stretch, she comfortably held **GISP Papilio (Ire)** (*Starspangledbanner {Aus}*) to a length margin. **GSW Ocean Club (Curlin)** held on to third.

“She was a little keen the first part which, I thought coming back, she wouldn’t be as keen,” said Joseph Jr. “This is a good filly. We wanted to cut her back. We weren’t sure about the mile because it might be a tad on the short side but she proved herself.”

Regarding Pegasus plans, Joseph Jr. said, “If she bounces out of it well, she’ll go to the [GII] Pegasus [World Cup Filly & Mare Turf]. We were originally going to go straight there, and then [owner] Mike [Ryan] called and said, ‘What about this race?’ I said she was doing good. I had only worked her once, but if he wanted to roll the dice, she’ll run well fresh. Thanks to Mike Ryan for giving us the filly and we’re just super happy.”

Pedigree Note:

Be Your Best is the second winner from three to race for her dam. Kamakura's most recent pair is a yearling colt named **Postmodern (Ire)** (*Too Darn Hot {GB}*) and a 2024 filly by **Baaeed (GB)**. The mare went to **Cody's Wish** for 2025. Her full and half-siblings include **SW & GSP Bay of Plenty**; leading Argentinian sire **GISP Fortify (Distorted Humor)**; and **SP Big Team (Speightstown)**.

Third dam **Flagbird** was a multiple Highweight mare on the European and Italian Free Handicap system. She claimed Group and Grade I black type in three countries before going on to a broodmare career which yielded the likes of **SP Dubai Belle**, whose claim to fame was her own daughter, **GISW & MGISP Little Belle (A.P. Indy)**. **Cont.**

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Be Your Best | *Coglianese*

The latter was most notably placed in the GI Kentucky Oaks and herself went on to produce another Grade I winner in Dickinson (**Medaglia d'Oro**). Little Belle's half-sister SW Dubai Dancer (A.P. Indy) is the granddam of Canadian champion 3-year-old filly MSW & MGSP Munnyfor Ro (**Munnings**).

The distant family includes the like of MGSW & GISP Revolutionary (War Pass); Broodmare of the Year MGISW Prospectors Delite (Mr. Prospector); and Horse of the Year turned successful sire, **Mineshaft** (A. P. Indy).

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

SUWANNEE RIVER S.-GIII, \$150,000, Gulfstream, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:33.42, fm.

1--**BE YOUR BEST (IRE)**, 125, f, 4, by **Muhaarar (GB)**

1st Dam: **Kamakura**, by **Medaglia d'Oro**

2nd Dam: **Kotuku (GB)**, by **A.P. Indy**

3rd Dam: **Flagbird**, by **Nureyev**

'**TDN Rising Star**'. O-Michael J. Ryan; B-St. Croix Bloodstock (IRE); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; J-Edgard J. Zayas. \$88,350.

Lifetime Record: MGISP, 17-4-3-2, \$626,709. **Werk Nick**

Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

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2--**Papilio (Ire)**, 121, f, 4, **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**--**Glafyra (Fr)**, by **High Chaparral (Ire)**. (€60,000 Ylg '21 ARAUG; \$400,000

4yo '24 KEENOV). O-D. J. Stable LLC; B-SCEA Marmion & Mr A.

Jathiere (IRE); T-Mark E. Casse. \$28,500.

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3--**Ocean Club**, 125, f, 4, **Curlin**--**Theatre Star**, by **War Front**.

O/B-Glen Hill Farm (KY); T-Jack Sisterson. \$14,250.

Margins: 1, NK, HD. Odds: 5.00, 6.00, 4.20.

Also Ran: Ribaltagaia, Breath Away (GB), Bless My Stars (Saf), Be My Sunshine, Hollywood Walk, Swoonatra, Golden Hostess (Saf). Scratched: Charlie's Wish, Saffron Moon.

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- G1 Hollywood Derby, *DMR*
- G1 Claiborne Breeders' Futurity, *KEE*
- G2 Mac Diarmida S.-G2, *GP*
- G2 Mervin H. Muniz Jr. Hcp-G2, *FG*
- G2 Tampa Bay Derby-G2, *TAM*
- G2 Ft. Lauderdale S.-G2, *GP*
- G2 Fayette S.-G2, *KEE*
- G2 Joe Hernandez-G2, *SA*
- G2 Cigar Mile H.-G2, *AQU*
- G2 Belmont Gold Cup-G2, *BEL*
- G2 Los Alamitos Futurity-G2, *LRC*
- G3 Appleton S.-G3, *GP*
- G3 Miami Mile-G3, *GP*
- G3 Dixiana Bourbon S.-G3, *KE*
- G3 Singspiel S.-G3, *WO*
- G3 Nashua S.-G3, *AQU*
- G3 Grey S.-G3, *WO*
- G3 William L. McKnight S.-G3, *GP*
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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.	D'Angelo	Saez	122
2	Pilot Commander 🦟	Justify	CSLR Racing Partners LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	120
3	Winterfell 🦟	Arrogate	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Masterson, Robert E., Waves Edge Capital LLC, Donovan, Catherine and Ryan, Tom J.	Baffert	Velazquez	120
4	Senior Officer 🦟	Into Mischief	Gaineway Stable and Qatar Racing LLC	Cox	Prat	120
5	Imagination 🦟	Into Mischief	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Masterson, Robert E., Waves Edge Capital LLC, Donovan, Catherine and Ryan, Tom J.	Baffert	Rosario	122
6	Mystik Dan	Goldencents	Four G Racing, LLC, Valley View Farm LLC, Gasaway, Lance, And Hamby III, Daniel	McPeck	Hernandez, Jr.	122
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 and Beasley, Roger K.	Yakteen	Dettori	120
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 Hill Stable & 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	Papaprodromou	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 Iavarone, Michael	Baltas	Herrera	124
6	Strutting (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Yuesheng Zhang	McCarthy	Gonzalez	124
7	Vibez	Collected	Ciaglia Racing LLC, Exline-Border Racing LLC, Hausman, Richard and Zubok, Garrett	Eurton	Hernandez	124
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, Dan J. and Chatalas, William	Glatt	Prat	124
11	Mizzyaan	Justify	Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum	McCarthy	Rispoli	124
12	Valence	Violence	A. Jason Hall Stables, Baker, Stephen R. and Vanlandingham, Bill	Garrett	Kimura	124
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	Papaprodromou	Dettori	125
4	Johannes	Nyquist	CUYATHY LLC	Yakteen	Rispoli	125
5	Escape Artist 🌿	Good Magic	Les Blake	Knapp	Rosario	121
6	Dacey 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 Red Baron's Barn LLC	Glatt	Berrios	125
8	Nineelevanturbo 🌿	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
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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	Papaprodromou	Dettori	120
7	Call Sign Seven	Speightstown	Cannon Thoroughbreds LLC	McCarthy	Frey	120
8	Cathal (Ire)	No Nay Never	Diamond T Racing, LLC, Iapetus 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-Anastasia 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

Friday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 6:00 p.m. EST

ROBERT J. FRANKEL S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mahina 🌿	Bolt d'Oro	U.S. Equine, Walter Burke, Aaron Sones, and Harry Wilson	Gallagher	Prat	121
2	Yerwanthere (Ire)	Markaz (Ire)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Gallagher	Rispoli	121
3	Mrs. Astor	Lookin At Lucky	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Dettori	125
4	Rashmi	Oscar Performance	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Rosario	119
5	Omaha Girl 🌿	Omaha Beach	Amo Racing USA, LLC	Papaprodromou	Baze	121
6	Mouffy	Uncle Mo	Augustin Stables	Thomas	Cheminaud	125
7	Hang the Moon 🌿	Uncle Mo	CJ Thoroughbreds	D'Amato	Kimura	125

Breeders: 1-Spendthrift Farm, LLC, 2-Kilnamoragh Stud, 3-George Strawbridge Jr., 4-George Strawbridge Jr., 5-Rosilyn Polan, 6-George Strawbridge Jr., 7-Repole Stable Inc

Saturday, Santa Anita #6, post time: 5:00 p.m. EST

JOE HERNANDEZ S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 6 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Air Force Red	Air Force Blue	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Golightly, Holly	Powell	Hernandez	121
2	Code Duello 🌿	Honor Code	Flawless Racing, Flanagan, Brian & Jarvis, Michael	Dollase	Ayuso	121
3	Sumter	War Front	Bass II, Perry R. and Bass, Ramona S.	Mandella	Smith	121
4	Irideo (Arg)	Easing Along	William DeBurgh	Polanco	Berrios	121
5	Unconquerable Keen (Ire)	Clodovil (Ire)	CYBT, Aldabbagh, Omar and Nentwig, Michael	D'Amato	Rispoli	121
6	Motorious (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Anthony Fanticola	D'Amato	Fresu	123
7	Central Dispatch 🌿	Arrogate	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Prat	121
8	Gaslight Dancer	City of Light	Gatsas Stables	Dutrow, Jr.	Dettori	121

9 Sorrento Sky (Ire) Prince of Lir (Ire) Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Gevertz, Saul, Lantzman, Marc & Nentwig, Michael D'Amato Kimura 119

Breeders: 1-Stephen B. Weissman Living Trust, 2-Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, 3-Bass Stables, LLC, 4-Pozo de Luna, 5-N. Hartery, 6-Kirtlington Stud & Mrs Mary Taylor, 7-Harry Papaleo, 8-Springhouse Farm, 9-Miss Colleen Dwyer

Saturday, Gulfstream #10, post time: 4:51 p.m. EST

MR. PROSPECTOR S.-GIII, \$165,000, 3yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Playmea Tune	Maclean's Music	Chiefswood Stables Limited	Carroll	Gonzalez	122
2	Mr Skylight 🦟	Practical Joke	Peter Vegso	Mott	Alvarado	120
3	Super Chow	Lord Nelson	Lea Farms, LLC	Delgado	Egan	124
4	Gordian Knot	Social Inclusion	Joseph M. Imbesi	Pletcher	Velazquez	122
5	Real Macho 🦟	Mucho Macho Man	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Crichton, Rohan, Smith, Dennis G. and Walters, Daniel L.	Crichton	Jaramillo	122
6	Mufasa (Chi) 🦟	Practical Joke	Saavedra, Carlos and Stud Vendaval, Inc.	Correas IV	Gaffalione	126
7	El Principito	Accelerate	Michael V. Laurato	Laurato	Panici	118
8	Little Vic 🦟	Practical Joke	Victoria's Ranch	Avila	Reyes	122
9	Illuminare 🦟	City of Light	Centennial Farms	Pletcher	Saez	118
10	White Abarrio	Race Day	C 2 Racing Stable, Prince Faisal bin Khaled bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud and Pagnano, Antonio	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	122
11	Shaq Diesel	Khozan	Bishop, Chester A., Hinkson, Anthony, Rampaul, Alvin, Biggs, Patrick and Stanford, Donovan	Fawkes	Vasquez	122
12	Caramel Chip 🦟	Midshipman	Bianco Stable	David	Zayas	120

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by Stefanie Grimm



Matareya | Sarah Andrew

UNCLE MO HALF TO MATAREYA DEBUTS AT FAIR GROUNDS

6th-FG, 58K, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, 4:15 p.m.

The half-brother to MGISW Matareya (Pioneer of the Nile), **DARROW (Uncle Mo)** debuts at Fair Grounds Sunday as a Godolphin homebred for trainer Brad Cox. Out of GSW Innovative Idea who already has three winners from three runners, the colt goes back to third dam Caress who Godolphin picked up for \$3.1m out of Keeneland November back in 2000. That Storm Cat mare produced GISW and sire **Sky Mesa** (Pulpit) as well as Velvety (Bernardini) who became the dam of MGISW and young stallion **Maxfield (Street Sense)**. **TJCIS PPS**

7th-FG, 58K, Msw, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 4:45 p.m.

One race later, **Susan's Boy (Candy Ride {Arg})** will route on debut for C R K Stable and Cherie DeVaux in his first start since bringing \$850,000 at Keeneland September last year. He is out of a half to MGSW Private Mission (Into Mischief) and to the dam of GISW Dunbar Road (**Quality Road**). This is the family of GI Kentucky Oaks winner Secret Status (A.P. Indy) and her son Dunkirk (Unbridled's Song) who sold for \$3.7m as a yearling before finishing runner up in both the GI Belmont Stakes and the GI Florida Derby. **TJCIS PPS**

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

POINSETTIA S., \$150,000, Oaklawn, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04.28, ft.

1--**SPIRIT WIND, 124, m, 5, Bahamian Squall--Sacred Psalm (SP), by Awesome of Course.** O-Miller Racing LLC; B-Jacks or Better Farm Inc. (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; J-Fernando Jara. \$85,500. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 16-8-3-2, \$729,590. *1/2 to Sing Praises (Hear No Evil), MSW, \$483,722; 1/2 to Silent Prayer (Brooks 'n Down), MSP, \$302,444.

2--**Fibber, 122, f, 3, Frosted--Devious Intent,** by Dixie Union. (\$55,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Flatland Racing Stable; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman. \$28,500.

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3--**Royal Spa, 124, f, 4, Violence--Bodacious Babe,** by **Mineshaft.** O/B-Breffni Farm (KY); T-Rodolphe Brisset. \$14,250.

Margins: 3/4, HF, 1. Odds: 1.40, 3.80, 3.00.

Also Ran: Asternia, Pistol, High Class, Holly Dolly. Scratched: Dealing Justice, Girls Weekend, Laura's Charm, Makeup, Ms. **Bucchero.**

Spirit Wind collected her first graded stakes win in the GIII Sugar Swirl Stakes at Gulfstream Park almost a year ago while in the barn of Carlos David. Under Saffie Joseph, the mare's 5-year-old campaign was marked by a win at Lone Star Park May 27 in the Memorial Day Sprint and then she won the GII Honorable Miss Stakes at the Spa in late July. The Florida-bred's last pair of races yielded a runner-up finish in the GII TCA Stakes at Keeneland Oct. 5 and she was third in the Dream Supreme Stakes at Churchill Downs Nov. 9.

Backed at the windows as the 7-5 choice as she shed the blinkers here, Spirit Wind was near the pace between horses up the backstretch. Zeroing in on a pair of leaders around the far turn, the dark bay fanned three wide at the quarter pole and she set sail down the lane. With a firm grip on the wheel at the sixteenth marker, the 5-year-old proved best as she got her picture snapped.

The winner is a half-sister to current 4-year-old Guardian Angel (Jess's Dream), SP, \$110,260. Sacred Psalm is responsible for 3-year-old colt David's Songs (Brooks 'n Down), unraced 2-year-old colt Lead Pipe Joe (Battalion Runner) and a yearling colt by Vino Rosso. She was bred to **Army Mule** for next term. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**



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SUGAR SWIRL S., \$133,000, Gulfstream, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.20, ft.

1--**MYSTIC LAKE, 125, f, 3, Mo Town--Salty Soul, by Itsmyluckyday.** (\$3,500 Ylg '22 OBSOCT; \$130,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR; \$370,000 RNA 3yo '24 FTD MAY). O-C2 Racing Stable LLC and Stefania Farms LLC; B-Peggy Costanzo (FL); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. \$85,500. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 13-6-3-1, \$901,354.

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2--**Socially Selective, 120, f, 4, Speightster--Dharma Girl, by French Deputy.** (\$95,000 Ylg '21 FTKOCT). O-Nine Thirty Racing LLC; B-Mercedes Stables LLC (KY); T-William I. Mott. \$25,000.

Consigned by **Burleson Farms**

TAPROOT YEARLING PURCHASE

3--**Launch, 118, f, 3, Omaha Beach--Spark, by Speightstown.** (\$50,000 Ylg '22 KESEEP). O-Amo Racing USA; B-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Jorge Delgado. \$12,500.

• Bred by Peter Blum Thoroughbreds •

Margins: 3/4, 3 3/4, 8. Odds: 0.60, 2.50, 7.60.
Also Ran: Intrepid Daydream, R Harper Rose. Scratched: Haulin Ice, Spirit Wind.

Mystic Lake kicked off the stakes action at Gulfstream with a rebound win in the Sugar Swirl Stakes, her fifth win this season from eight starts. The Saffie Joseph, Jr. runner, one of three in this field of five, came into Saturday's spot with wins this season in the GII Charles Town Oaks and the GIII Miss Preakness Stakes before running into Horse of the Year candidate Thorpedo Anna (Fast Anna) in the GI Cotillion Stakes when last seen at Parx Sept. 21. Favored at 3-5 with Irad Ortiz, Jr. aboard for the first time, Mystic Lake chose to sit just off the pace from her outside gate,

racing wide while positioned third behind Launch. Willingly sent to the front around the far turn, the favorite stuck a head in front inside the final furlong and lasted ahead of Socially Selective who was well clear for second.

One of 12 stakes winners for **Mo Town**, Mystic Lake is the first and thus far only foal reported from the un-raced Itsmyluckyday mare Salty Soul who has not been reported bred since foaling the winner in 2021. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

JANUS S., \$127,000, Gulfstream, 12-21, 3yo/up, 5fT, :54.60, fm.
1--**COPPOLA, 125, h, 5, Into Mischief--Blind Copy, by Distorted Humor.** (\$800,000 Ylg '20 FTKSEL; \$105,000 3yo '22 KEENOV). O-Hammer Time Stable LLC and Sport of Kings Racing Partners, LLC; B-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock (KY); T-Dale L. Romans; J-Tyler Gaffalione. \$72,850.
Lifetime Record: 27-9-1-3, \$760,046.

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2--**Arzak, 125, h, 6, Not This Time--Delightful Melody, by Tapit.** (\$85,000 Ylg '19 KESEEP; \$575,000 2yo '20 OBSAPR). O-Sonata Stable; B-John C. Oxley (KY); T-Michael J. Trombetta. \$23,500.

Consigned by **GAINESWAY**

Julie Davies Training & Sales Graduate

3--**Reef Runner, 123, c, 3, The Big Beast--Paradise Bay, by Blame.** O/B-Alex Lieblong & JoAnn Lieblong (FL); T-David Fawkes. \$13,750.

Margins: 3/4, 2, NK. Odds: 3.90, 1.90, 9.80.
Also Ran: That's Right, Masseto (GB), Okiro, Axthelm, Smithwick's Spice, Whenigettoheaven, Yes I Am Free, Xy Speed.
Scratched: Foxtrotanna.



Coppola | Ryan Thompson

Coppola, last seen Nov. 24 finishing third behind SW Run Carson (MacLean's Music) and SW Joe Shiesty (Air Force Blue) in a highly competitive Churchill Downs allowance turf sprint, ended a four-race losing streak under Tyler Gaffalione. Breaking sharply from the outside post in the field of 11, the winner of both the Feb. 10 Gulfstream Park Turf Sprint Stakes and Mar. 9 Silks Run Stakes showed his continuing affinity for this track and trip. Sent off as the 7-2 second choice, Gaffalione and Coppola made the lead and the pair was clear turning for home before holding favored Arzak, the sixth-place finisher in the 2024 GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint, safe in the final sixteenth.

"Breaking from the outside post, we obviously had to be aggressive," said Gaffalione. "I didn't know if we could clear everybody. But the way he broke, I just let him do his thing and try to stay out of his way. I was able to put my hands down going into the turn, he took a nice deep breath, kind of cruised around there on his own -- around the turn -- and when I called on him reaching the eighth pole, he found another gear."

His dam Blind Copy is a full-sister to Lucky Folie, SW, \$118,292 and his second dam is Lucky Copy, SW & GSP, \$203,202. Blind Copy produced a yearling **Essential Quality** colt who was hammered to BC Stables for \$500,000 at the 2024 Keeneland September Yearling Sale. She had a **Golden Pal** filly earlier this year. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV](#).

LETELLIER MEMORIAL S., \$100,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.33, ft.

1--**SIMPLY JOKING**, 117, f, 2, by **Practical Joke**

1st Dam: **Imply (MSW, \$772,728)**, by E Dubai

2nd Dam: **Allude**, by **Oriente**

3rd Dam: **Ed's Holy Cow**, by **Bet Big**

(\$65,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Grantley Acres, Conner, Ryan & Berkels0813; B-Barlar, LLC (PA); T-D. Whitworth Beckman; J-Jaime A. Torres. \$63,000. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$63,000. *1/2 to Drum Roll Please (**Hard Spun**), SW & GSP, \$186,540.

TD ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE
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2--**Whata Moon**, 117, f, 2, Gormley--Accelebrate, by Northern Afleet. (\$17,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Simmons and Associates, Inc.; B-Shooting Star Thoroughbreds & Billy Ballard (KY); T-Jayde J. Gelner. \$20,000.

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3--**Gerlin's Empire**, 116, f, 2, Classic Empire--French Press, by **Curlin**. (\$10,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$15,000 Ylg '23 EASOCT; \$50,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Gervais Racing,

LLC; B-Informed Equine investments (KY); T-Dallas Stewart. \$10,000.

Margins: NK, 5, 3/4. Odds: 2.80, 1.60, 5.60.

Also Ran: Sycamore Shoals, Black Ginger, Nomoretanlines.

Scratched: Her Laugh.

Simply Joking was certainly for real, kicking off her career with a debut victory in Saturday's Letellier Memorial Stakes at Fair Grounds.

Well backed at 5-2 with a flashy worktab on display for trainer Whit Beckman, the \$65,000 Keeneland September yearling wasn't off to the sharpest of beginnings and trailed the field of six in the early stages. Fifth and traveling nicely approaching the quarter pole, she rolled up five wide at the top of the stretch and outbattled Delta Downs runaway debut winner Whata Moon to win by a neck.



Simply Joking | Hodges Photography

"We always thought this one was a tick better (than debut winner and morning-line favorite Her Laugh, who was scratched)," Beckman said. "That's what she's shown in the morning. Timing-wise, the (Silverbulletday) could be her next spot. We'll see how she comes out of it."

Winning jockey Jaime Torres added, "It was impressive. She was a little green, being her first race but I think with a little more time, she's going to figure out her job. We're very excited (about her talent)."

The final time of 1:10.33 bested Tough Catch (**Complexity**)'s final clocking of 1:10.48 in the male equivalent one race earlier in the Sugar Bowl Stakes.

Simply Joking becomes the 42nd stakes winner for **Practical Joke**. After producing a filly by **Uncle Mo** this year, the winner's dam Imply was bred back to **Good Magic**. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#).

CAROUSEL S., \$100,000, Laurel, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:53.27, ft.

1--**SEA DANCER, 121, f, 3, Mastery--Cuyathy (SP, \$107,923), by Congrats.** (\$150,000 3yo '24 KEENOV). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-SF Racing LLC; B-Cuyathy, Llc (KY); T-Brittany T. Russell; J-Sheldon Russell. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-0, \$199,095. *1/2 to Johannes (**Nyquist**), GISW, \$1,033,859.

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2--**Miss New York, 124, f, 4, Good Magic--Luna Vega,** by Malibu Moon. (\$115,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$145,000 Ylg '21 FTSAUG; €280,000 2yo '22 ARQMAY; \$575,000 RNA 3yo '23 FTKNOV). O-Amo Racing USA; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-Jorge Delgado. \$20,000.

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3--**Evidencias (Brz), 126, m, 5, Drosselmeyer--Fiji Mambo,** by Kingmambo. O-James Wigan and Denford Stud; B-Haras Old Friends LTDA (BRZ); T-Christophe Clement. \$10,000. Margins: 2, 3/4, 6HF. Odds: 16.10, 3.70, 3.20.

Making her first start for Brittany Russell after a career in California with Tim Yakteen, Sea Dancer stepped onto the main track for the first time off five straight stakes on the turf, most recently finishing sixth in the GIII Autumn Miss Stakes at Santa Anita Oct. 27. A longshot at 16-1, Sea Dancer was eased into stride by Sheldon Russell while racing ahead of just a pair of runners past the opening half in :48.05. Swinging wide for running room around the turn, she stepped up to challenge Miss New York for the front and took over in the final sixteenth to earn her first stakes win.

The half-sister to GISW Johannes (**Nyquist**), Sea Dancer has another stakes-placed half-sibling with 2-year-old Sea Runner (**Gun Runner**) placing in the Del Mar Juvenile Fillies Turf. Cuyathy last produced a yearling filly by **Knicks Go** named Soaring Angel and is due to **Maxfield** this year. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

UNTAPABLE S., \$99,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 2yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:43.72, ft.

1--**HER LAUGH, 122, f, 2, by Practical Joke**
1st Dam: Truth Goddess, by Point of Entry
2nd Dam: Team Hansen, by Unbridled's Song
3rd Dam: Zadkiel, by Saint Ballado

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Grantley Acres (KY); T-D. Whitworth Beckman; J-Axel Concepcion. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$102,000.

ANOTHER TRAVIS DURR GRADUATE

2--**Golden Gamble, 122, f, 2, Laoban--Me and Mine,** by Bernardini. (\$80,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '23

KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Fern Circle Stables, Cypress Creek Equine & Magdalena Racing; B-Tuscany Bloodstock (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeck. \$20,000.

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3--**California Sunset, 122, f, 2, Quality Road--Regal Beauty,** by Malibu Moon. **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Gary & Mary West; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$10,000. Margins: 2HF, 1, 2 1/4. Odds: 4.50, 1.10, 6.30. Also Ran: Stable Currency, Drexel Hill, Amarth, Paris Lily, Prima Bella.



Her Laugh | Hodges Photography

After winning Saturday's Letellier Memorial Stakes with first-time starter Simply Joking (**Practical Joke**), trainer Whit Beckman struck again with another daughter of **Practical Joke** in the Untapable Stakes at Fair Grounds.

Scratched out of that six-furlong affair on the undercard in favor of the two-turn Untapable, it was Her Laugh who got the job done for Beckman in front-running fashion at odds of 9-2, good for 10 points on the Road to the GI Kentucky Oaks. It was 2 1/2 lengths back to favored '**TDN Rising Star**' Golden Gamble in second; California Sunset was third.

Her Laugh broke on top, led the field of eight through fractions of :24.63 and :49 and was never seriously threatened by the late rally of the runner-up. Her Laugh previously won by a head at 29-1 in her debut going six furlongs at Churchill Downs Nov. 17.

"I told Axel (Concepcion) just break and put her where she is comfortable," Beckman said. "Seeing the fractions, how she was carrying him and how composed she was, I knew we were in the best spot. It was perfect. This day worked out very well." **Cont.**

Concepcion added, "(Her Laugh) broke good, relaxed very well. I asked at the quarter pole and she responded. I knew she had a lot of talent from working her since she was in Kentucky three months ago. She did it all and I am very grateful for the owners and the trainer for the opportunity."

Her Laugh becomes the 43rd stakes winner for **Practical Joke**. The winning Point of Entry mare Truth Goddess had a filly by Sharp Azteca this year and was bred back to **Honest Mischief**. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

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TENACIOUS S., \$99,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42.35, ft.

1--**SAUDI CROWN, 124, c, 4, Always Dreaming--New**

Narration, by Tapit. (\$45,000 Ylg '21 KEEJAN; \$240,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR). O-FMQ Stables; B-Chc Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Florent Geroux. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GISW-USA, G1SP-Sau, 12-6-2-1, \$3,130,985.



2--**Kinetic, 117, c, 3, Street Sense--Collective, by Bernardini.**

1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Godolphin (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$20,000.

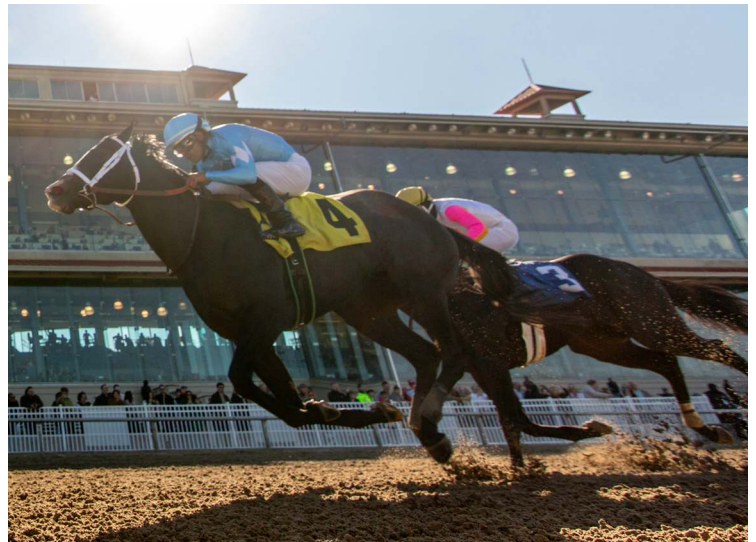
3--**Warrior Johny, 124, g, 5, Cairo Prince--Warrior Girl, by War Chant.** (\$30,000 Ylg '20 KEEJAN; \$200,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$290,000 RNA 2yo '21 FTFMAR). O-Rigney Racing LLC; B-William L. Pape (KY); T-Philip A. Bauer. \$10,000.

Margins: 2, 3 3/4, 1. Odds: 1.10, 3.00, 8.90.

Also Ran: Track Phantom, Velocitor, Confidence Game, Bo Cruz, Happy American.

The well-traveled Saudi Crown, winner of the 2023 GI Pennsylvania Derby over sealed slop and third in this year's G1 Saudi Cup, resumed winning ways after finishing 13th when last seen in Full Serrano (Arg) (Full Mast)'s GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile Nov. 2. Stalking GSW Track Phantom (**Quality Road**)'s early pace under Florent Geroux, the even-money favorite in the field of eight seized command turning for home as the chasing pair of Kinetic and Warrior Johny were urged to improve. Kinetic responded to Luis Saez's pressure but lugged in behind the well-clear Saudi Crown as that one maintained his two-length advantage at the finish. Warrior Johny stayed on to get past the pacesetter Track Phantom.

Saudi Poetry is the most successful son or daughter of 2017 GI Kentucky Derby Winner Always Dreaming, who passed away in Oklahoma Dec. 10. His unraced dam New Narration, a daughter of the Forestry mare New Normal, GSW, \$216,390, was acquired by Summer Wind Equine for \$850,000 in utero to **Nashville** at the 2023 Fasig-Tipton Fall Mixed Sale. New Narration has an unraced 2-year-old Yoshida (Jpn) filly named Saudi Queen. She produced a **Nashville** filly this year and was bred to **Justify** for this term. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)



Tough Catch | Hodges Photography/Amanda Hodges Weir

SUGAR BOWL S., \$97,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 2yo, 6f, 1:10.48, ft.

1--**TOUGH CATCH, 116, c, 2, by Complexity**

1st Dam: Try to Catch Her, by Broken Vow

2nd Dam: See How She Runs, by Maria's Mon

3rd Dam: Beau Cougar, by Cougar II

(\$110,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$280,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-S.O.K. Racing, Gervais Racing, LLC, On Our Own Stable LLC, Zak Stables and Dallas Stewart; B-Martin J. Keogh, Justin Wojczynski & Gemma Wojczynski (KY); T-Dallas Stewart; J-Luis Saez. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$201,200. *1/2 to Unique Factor (**The Factor**), SP, \$219,173.



2--**Doroteo, 117, c, 2, Bolt d'Oro--Place Card, by Lemon Drop Kid.** (\$45,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$30,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$250,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Stud Igual Racing; B-Philip & Brenda Robertson (KY); T-J Camejo. \$20,000.



3--**Indian Cat, 117, g, 2, Tapiture--Party Cat, by Tale of the Cat.** (\$1,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$11,000 RNA Ylg '23 OBSOCT; \$30,000 2yo '24 OBSOPN). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Mark Norman; B-Tenlane Farm (KY); T-Jayde J. Gelner. \$10,000.

Margins: 1, 7 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 0.40, 9.20, 28.50.

Also Ran: Thrilla, Contrabandist, Countthebrave.

Tough Catch broke his maiden on debut at the Spa July 13, but then was well-beaten by **'TDN Rising Star'** Chancer McPatrick in the GI Hopeful Stakes over the same surface Sept. 2. The gray was then the runner-up in both the Bowman Mill Stakes at Keeneland Oct. 26 and the Ed Brown Stakes at Churchill Downs Nov. 30.

With Lasix for the first time and at 40 cents on the dollar here, the favorite was in the mix early before being shuffled to run fourth up the backstretch. The juvenile got aggressive around the far turn and took on the pacesetter at the quarter pole.

Clearing as he rolled down the lane, Tough Catch dug down and was able to repulse a challenge from Doroteo to earn the prize.

The winner's dam foaled a filly by Cyberknife Feb. 8 and visited **The Factor** for next term. Tough Catch is the fifth black-type winner for his freshman sire (by **Maclean's Music**). The colt's second dam is Canadian GISW See How She Runs (Maria's Mon), who is responsible for MGSW Don't Leave Me. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

GUN RUNNER S., \$96,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 2yo, 1 1/16m, 1:43.53, ft.

1--**BUILT**, 122, c, 2, by **Hard Spun**

1st Dam: **Sea Garden**, by **Curlin**

2nd Dam: **Navy Gardens**, by **Storm Cat**

3rd Dam: **Marley Vale**, by **Forty Niner**

(\$82,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$260,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR). **1ST**

BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners; B-Robert & Lawana Low (KY); T-Wayne M. Catalano; J-Jareth Loveberry. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$124,204.

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2--**Magnitude**, 122, c, 2, **Not This Time**--Rockadelic, by Bernardini. (\$310,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$450,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Ron Stolich (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$20,000.

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WARRENDALE GRADUATE

3--**Render Judgment**, 122, c, 2, **Blame**--Barbara Gordon, by Commissioner. (\$310,000 Ylg '23 FTKJUL). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Baccari Racing Stable LLC, Dream Walkin Farms, Inc., MJM Racing & Rocket Ship Racing; B-Green Lantern Stables (KY); T-Kenneth G. McPeck. \$10,000.

Consigned by **GAINESWAY**

Mating by **Patrick Masson Bloodstock**

Margins: 6 3/4, 2 3/4, 7. Odds: 3.90, 2.60, 6.20.

Also Ran: Admiral Dennis, Chris's Revenge.



Built | Hodges Photography

Built, a maiden winner at second asking at Keeneland Oct. 6, stretched to two turns in style with a daylight victory in Saturday's **Gun Runner** Stakes at Fair Grounds, good for 10 points on the Road to the GI Kentucky Derby.

Off at odds of 7-2, the rail-drawn Built showed the way through fractions of :24.64 and :49.23 and dropped the hammer in the stretch to win by 6 3/4 lengths. Magnitude was second; Render Judgment was third. Heavily favored **'TDN Rising Star'** Admiral Dennis (**Constitution**) was a well-beaten fourth after stumbling at the start.

"You always like it when the pace is slow and you're on the lead," winning trainer Wayne Catalano said. "Drawing the rail with speed, he handled it well. These are the moments you work every day and get up in the morning for. Today was our day. I appreciate the opportunities all our clients give us and all our help back in the barn."

Built, an \$82,000 KEESEP yearling turned \$260,000 OBSAPR breezer, was a well-beaten fourth (elevated to third via disqualification) behind subsequent GISW and **'TDN Rising Star'** East Avenue (**Medaglia d'Oro**) on debut at Ellis Park Aug. 24. He becomes the 109th stakes winner for **Hard Spun**. The winner's dam Sea Garden (**Curlin**), purchased for \$40,000 by Tom McCrocklin in foal to **Union Rags** at the 2022 KEENOV sale, is also represented by a yearling colt by **Union Rags**. She was bred to **Flameaway** for 2025.

It's been a fantastic recent run for winning owner Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners following **'TDN Rising Star'** and GISW Locked (**Gun Runner**)'s win in the GII Cigar Mile H. Dec. 7 and Journalism (**Curlin**)'s win in the GII Los Alamitos Futurity last Saturday. Eclipse campaigns Locked in partnership with Walmac Farm. Journalism is co-owned by Bridlewood Farm, Don Alberto Stable, Elayne Stables 5 LLC and Robert LaPenta. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

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BUDDY DILIBERTO MEMORIAL S., \$96,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.62, fm.

1--**GIGANTE**, 118, c, 4, **Not This Time**--**Summertime Green**, by **Empire Maker**. (\$120,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Diamond T Racing LLC and Iapetus Racing LLC; B-Ann Mudge Backer & Smitten Farm (VA); T-Steven M. Asmussen; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSW, 18-7-1-2, \$1,127,650. *1/2 to Tryon Summer (Discreetly Mine), SW, \$142,955.

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2--**Idratherbeblessed**, 118, g, 4, Unified--**Celestial Smile**, by Tiznow. (\$32,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$52,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-JD Thoroughbreds LLC and Wayne Scherr; B-Narola, LLC (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman. \$20,000.

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3--Another Mystery, 124, g, 8, Temple City--Ioya Two, by Lord At War (Arg). O/B-Team Block (IL); T-Chris M. Block. \$10,000. Margins: 1, 3/4, 2. Odds: 0.90, 16.10, 4.60. Also Ran: Swiftsure, Evan Harlan. Scratched: Stitched, Tonka Warrior.

Still looking for that elusive first win of the year, Gigante came in off a career best 94 Beyer Speed Figure that was good for only third in the Gill River City Stakes at Churchill Downs going 1/16th longer Nov. 9. Favored at 4-5 Saturday facing just four rivals, he cost himself position at the break with a stutter step and had to sit back in fourth while off the pace set by Swiftsure (**Uncle Mo**). Last summer's GII Secretariat Stakes winner, Gigante began to edge closer around the far turn, was kept wide out past the quarter pole and got up to lead in the field despite drifting out close to home.

Summertime Green foaled another stakes runner in 2-year-old Contrabandist (**Gun Runner**) who placed in the Jean Lafitte Stakes at Emerald Downs. She has a yearling **Hard Spun** filly named Emerald Spun and reported a colt by **Epicenter** this year. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Laurel, \$59,165, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000-\$40,000), 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39.12, ft, neck.

ONCOURTCOMMENTATOR (f, 3, **Uncle Mo--Curlin's Fox** {MSW, \$224,728}, by **Curlin**) won two of her first three for Brittany Russell at Laurel with her only bad finish coming when seventh in the Virginia Oaks at Colonial Sept. 7. Most recently second on the main track over course and distance Oct. 27, the 9-2 second choice was well back for much of the early running, trailing the field into the far turn before swinging wide to reel in pacesetter Dream Chaser (Boisterous) and just get by that runner once angled back to the rail to win by a neck. **Curlin's Fox**, sold with the winner in utero at KEEJAN in 2021 for \$260,000, has a yearling **Constitution** filly, foaled a filly by **Violence** this year and was bred to **Life Is Good** for 2025. Sales History : \$485,000 RNA Ylg '22 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$123,010. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.](#) O-The Elkstone Group LLC (Stuart Grant); B-The Elkstone Group LLC (MD); T-Brittany T. Russell.

2nd-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), Alw, 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.24, ft, 4 lengths.

UNDERCOVER GIRL (f, 3, **Nyquist--Free Cover** {SP, \$180,348}, by **Congrats**) broke her maiden on debut for Brad Cox but changed barns to join Steve Asmussen after her second start nearly a year ago. Most recently third while kept sprinting six furlongs over the local main track Nov. 30, the 6-5 favorite stretched out for the first time Saturday and took this Louisiana-bred field gate to wire, cruising through fractions of :24.57 and :49.29 before pulling away handily to win by four lengths. Front and Silver (Coal Front) closed from mid pack to get second. Free Cover, who sold carrying the winner in utero for \$260,000 at KEENOV in 2020, went back to **Nyquist** for a weanling colt this year and is due once again to the same Darley stallion for 2025. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$79,090. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

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

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3rd-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, Alw, 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.86, fm, neck.

AMERICAN HOPE (c, 3, **American Pharoah--Room Service** {MGISW, \$571,565}, by **More Than Ready**), previously campaigned by Phil D'Amato in Southern California, graduated by a neck at second asking over the Del Mar turf last November, then concluded his juvenile season with a sixth-place finish in the Eddie Logan Stakes at Santa Anita. He was last seen finishing a well-beaten third behind the Bob Baffert-trained duo of 'TDN Rising Star' Maymun (**Frosted**) and Imagination (Into Mischief) in an optional claimer on dirt in Arcadia Feb. 11. Transferred to Brad Cox and back on the grass with blinkers off in this first start off the bench, the 5-2 chance trailed the field through a half mile in :49.78. He traveled nicely through traffic in the stretch and came charging on the outside to nail Sand Pipes (Summer Front) by a neck. Devilsgotacause (Creative Cause) bumped with a rival at the start and unseated jockey Brian Hernandez, Jr. The winner's dam MGISW Room Service was bred to **Munnings** for 2025. Sales history: \$140,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$87,860. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#) O-Gary and Mary West; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brad H. Cox.

5th-Turfway, \$58,900, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 12-20, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10.58, ft, neck.

SHARDS (c, 3, **Buccherio--Cynthia's Fury**, by **Utopia** {Jpn}) made his first start back since coming in off the board in the Palisades Stakes at Keeneland in early April but had shown good Tapeta form in his only prior start this year when second in the Animal Kingdom Stakes over course and distance March 23.

Racing with both blinkers and Lasix Friday, the 2-1 favorite was in the back half of the field early from a wide draw, made steady progress to mid pack past the half in :45.46 and put in a sustained stretch drive to just get up on the line a neck ahead of Tiger's Legacy (Into Mischief). Cynthia's Fury, already responsible for My Sassenach (Uncaptured), SW, \$139,520, was exported to Japan in 2022 after selling for \$35,000 at KEENOV and last reported a yearling Vino Rosso filly. Sales History: \$175,000 2yo '23 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: MSP, 8-2-2-2, \$149,555. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Crown's Way Racing LLC, NBS Stable and Kevin Marko; B-Craig L. Wheeler (FL); T-Kelsey Danner.


25th winner for his freshman sire (by **Violence**), Paraclete has a weanling half-brother by **Dialed In** while Miss Hermes is due to Golden Lad next year. Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '23 FTKFEB; \$72,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$80,000 2yo '24 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$58,919. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Marcano Racing; B-Rebecca Farms (KY); T-H. Graham Motion.



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MAIDEN WINNERS

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

3rd-Oaklawn, \$110,000, Msw, 12-21, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.28, ft, neck.

BADDEST GOOD BOY (g, 3, Bernardini--Shrilanka {SP}, by Pleasantly Perfect), 8-1 as the only first-time starter in the field, took his time with just one rival beat through the half in :45.79. Making a wide bid off the turn, he engaged What a Blessing (**Candy Ride {Arg}**) into the stretch and dueled that rival to the wire, just prevailing by a neck. Shrilanka produced a **Global Campaign** filly this year and is due back to **Flameaway**. Sales History: \$80,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$230,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$66,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Alex and JoAnn Lieblong; B-Godolphin & Clifton Farm (KY); T-Norm W. Casse.

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7th-Turfway, \$79,700, Msw, 12-20, 2yo, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46.27, ft, 3 lengths.

PARACLETE (c, 2, Volatile--Miss Hermes, by Lemon Drop Kid) debuted on the main track at Colonial Downs this summer and hit the board on the turf at Laurel Sept. 14 but was last well beaten at Keeneland when going this distance on the grass Oct. 12. Trying the Tapeta for the first time, the 6-1 shot drew inside and kept to the rail while just off the leaders up the backstretch. Third past the half in :48.43, he swung out to come after pacesetter Hard Circle (**Hard Spun**), drove past the leader inside the furlong marker and went clear to win by three lengths. The

12th-Fair Grounds, \$58,000, Msw, 12-21, 2yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45.71, ft, head.

SEATTLE ROAD (c, 2, Quality Road--Seattle Slang {GSP}, by Tapit) made his first start and was well-beaten going two turns on the grass at Saratoga in late July. After a three-month break, the bay switched to the main track under the Twin Spires and finished sixth but improved at third asking in New Orleans Nov. 24. Sent off as a 10-1 shot here, he worked his way over to the rail after breaking from the outside. Settling towards the back around the first turn, the bay remained on hold up the backstretch ss favorite Morlock (Bernardini) continued to lead into the far turn. Hugging the fence as the chalk shift greenly down the lane, Seattle Road was up to score by a head over a late-running Cromwell (**Quality Road**). Morlock finished third. The winner is his dam's first registered foal. Seattle Slang is responsible for a yearling filly by **Munnings** who went to North Hills for \$275,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale before being sent to Japan. She also produced a weanling by **Gun Runner** Apr. 18 and was bred back to that sire for next season. Seattle Road's second dam is GI Ogden Phipps Handicap heroine Seattle Smooth (Quiet American). Sales History: \$400,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$48,278. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).**

O-Gregory Tramontin; B-Phoenix Thoroughbreds (III) LTD (KY); T-Thomas M. Amoss.

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1st-Gulfstream, \$43,420, Msw, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 5ft, :55.01, fm, 5 lengths.


BLACKFOOT DAISY (f, 3, Iqbaal--Bistro Moncur, by Lonhro {Aus}) debuted just over a year ago at Turfway Park and finished seventh. The filly was not seen again till Saratoga where she was a well-beaten eighth over the grass Aug. 22. In her latest started she was off the board in the slop under the Twin Spires Nov. 6. Sent off as 7-2 shot here, the homebred earned the lead by shooting up the rail and making the pace up the backstretch. The late 3-year-old kept to the task around the far turn, got the jump on the field entering the lane and cruised home by five lengths over Tiz Ready (More Than Ready). The winner is her dam's first registered to make the races, but she does have a yearling half-brother by Hootenanny and a weanling half-sister by that same sire who was foaled Apr. 19. Blackfoot Daisy's third dam is champion grass mare Soaring Softly (Kris S.). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$33,063. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.](#)** O/B/T-Wesley Ward (KY).


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3rd-Gulfstream, \$43,000, Msw, 12-21, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.60, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

INTO PLEASURE (c, 3, Into Mischief--Settle 'n Speight, by Speightstown) finished a well-beaten sixth in his first start in the mud at Churchill Downs Oct. 31. The 2-1 favorite here tracked to the outside of a pair of leaders up the backstretch, which included second choice Wistucky (Nyquist). The homebred went on the attack around the far turn with a three wide move. Urged on at the eighth pole, the colt went right on by Wistucky and graduated by 1 1/4 legnth's over his rival. Out of an extended female family which includes MGISW Riskaverse (Dynaformer) and Horse of the Year Havre de Grace (Saint Liam), the winner is a half-brother to Estrella de Fuego (Oscar Performance), SW & GSP-Per. Herself a half-sister to current sire Tonalist (Tapit), Settle 'n Speight produced a colt by Honor A.P. last year and was bred to Mo Donegal for 2025. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,825. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.](#)** O/B-Woodslane Farm (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.

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6th-Gulfstream, \$40,000, Msw, 12-21, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.14, fm, neck.

WALKING IN MEMPHIS (c, 2, War of Will--Harmony Victory, by More Than Ready) was overlooked on debut as a 24-1 shot here. The juvenile proved best out of the blocks and easily made the front before the first turn. Doing it easily and making every pole a winning one, the bay controlled the tempo into the lane and he found the wire in the nick of time over his stablemate No More War (War of Will). The winner is the first registered foal for his dam, who is also responsible for a yearling by Frosted who is now a gelding. Harmony Victory was entered in Cairo Prince's book for next season. Under Walking in Memphis's third dam we find stalwart stallion Hard Spun (Danzig). The colt is the 19th winner for his freshman sire (by War Front). Sales History: \$50,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$80,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.](#)**

O-West Point Thoroughbreds and James Politano; B-Highfield Investment Group Inc. (KY); T-Mark E. Casse.

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IN AUSTRALIA:

In Good Order (Aus), g, 4, American Pharoah--Angharad (Aus), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). WATC, 12-21, G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes, 2100mT, 2:10.24, gd. B-Fairway Thoroughbreds (NSW). ***1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. **A\$105,000 Wlg '21 MMLMAY; A\$140,000 Ylg '22 MMLFEB.**

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Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$50,000
 160 foals of racing age/23 winners/1 black-type winner
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 5 1/2ft, Thehillonwoodside, 8-1
 \$70,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$85,000 OBS APR 2yo

Complexity (**Maclean's Music**), Airdrie Stud, \$12,500
 121 foals of racing age/21 winners/5 black-type winners
 3-Oaklawn, 2:26 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Very Cosmopolitan, 9-2
 \$13,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$20,000 FTD APR yrl

Cutting Humor (**First Samurai**), McDowell Farm, \$1,500
 19 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Oaklawn, 2:26 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Re Re's Rocket, 7-2
 \$20,000 TTA YRL yrl; \$40,000 TTA APR 2yo

Gift Box (**Twirling Candy**), Lane's End Farm, \$5,000
 82 foals of racing age/14 winners/1 black-type winner
 10-Gulfstream, 4:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Gift Giving, 20-1
 \$40,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$52,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$150,000 EAS MAY
 2yo

Improbable (**City Zip**), WinStar Farm, \$15,000
 128 foals of racing age/18 winners/1 black-type winner
 10-Gulfstream, 4:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Inallprobability,
 3-1
 \$27,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$50,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Isotherm (**Lonhro {Aus}**), Swifty Farms, \$1,500
 19 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Oaklawn, 2:26 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Toodle Loo, 12-1
 \$50,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$75,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

Maximum Security (**New Year's Day**), Coolmore Ashford, \$7,500
 88 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners
 7-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, El Maximo, 12-1
 \$180,000 KEE SEP yrl
 3-Oaklawn, 2:26 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Maximum to Excel, 8-1

Tiz the Law (**Constitution**), Coolmore Ashford, \$20,000
 98 foals of racing age/21 winners/5 black-type winners
 5-Gulfstream, 2:19 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, No Other Like You,
 12-1
 \$115,000 KEE SEP yrl

Vekoma (**Candy Ride {Arg}**), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
 163 foals of racing age/37 winners/4 black-type winners
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 5 1/2ft, Anakarina, 12-1

Without Parole (GB) (**Frankel {GB}**), Newsells Park Stud, \$8,000
 53 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
 3-Fair Grounds, 2:45 p.m. EST, Aoc 5 1/2ft, Serving Time (GB),
 3-1

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
 2024 Stud Fees Listed

Catalina Cruiser (**Union Rags**), Porta Pia Farm, \$10,000
 173 foals of racing age/62 winners/1 black-type winner
 10-Oaklawn, 5:40 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Love Me a Sunset, 12-1
 \$45,000 KEE SEP yrl

Qurbaan (**Speightstown**), Indiana Stallion Station, \$2,500
 22 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
 7-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Kayaan, 5-1



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ROBERT T. MANFUSO S., \$100,000, Laurel, 12-21, 3yo/up, 1
 1/16m, 1:45.17, ft.

1--**FILM STAR, 124, h, 5, Flatter--Rebelle, by Hard Spun.**
 (\$300,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP). O-Ronald P. Stewart; B-Indian
 Creek & Mill Pond Bloodstock (KY); T-Linda Rice; J-Jose
 Lezcano. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 23-6-6-2, \$583,551.

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2--**Speedyness, 123, g, 3, Great Notion--Hartigan, by Include.**
 O-Morris E. Kernan, Jr. and Jagger Inc.; B-Jagger Inc (MD);
 T-Jamie Ness. \$20,000.

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3--**Hittheroadjak, 119, g, 3, Kobe's Back--Our Jaks, by Not For
 Love. 1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-J R Sanchez Racing Stable LLC;
 B-Bonita Farm (MD); T-Rodolfo Sanchez-Salomon. \$10,000.

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Margins: HD, 2, 3/4. Odds: 2.80, 2.10, 10.80.

RICHARD R. SCHERER MEMORIAL S., \$98,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 3yo/up, 5 1/2ft, 1:03.61, fm.

1--**BEAR RIVER, 117, r, 3, Flameaway--Sixtyfivenorth, by Midshipman.** (\$67,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV; \$65,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN). O-Charles K. Marquis; B-Dreamfields Farm, Don Brady & Brendan Burke (KY); T-J. Keith Desormeaux; J-Axel Concepcion. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 18-5-0-2, \$383,848.

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2--**Minnesota Ready, 118, g, 5, More Than Ready--Eden Prairie,** by Mizzen Mast. (\$380,000 5yo '24 FTLOTH). O-Richard Colton, Jr.; B-Lothenbach Stables Inc (KY); T-Thomas Amoss. \$20,000.

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3--**Panther Island, 118, h, 5, Speightstown--Holiday Blues,** by **Ghostzapper.** (\$90,000 RNA Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$90,000 Ylg '20 FTKOCT). O-Golden Kernel Racing Stable; B-Forging Oaks Farm LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox. \$10,000.

Margins: 2 1/4, 1 1/4, HF. Odds: 5.60, 2.70, 1.50.

BLUSHING K. D. S., \$97,000, Fair Grounds, 12-21, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.77, fm.

1--**STIR CRAZY, 118, m, 6, Vancouver (Aus)--Mentally Unstable, by Good Reward.** (\$20,000 Wlg '18 KEENOV; \$5,000 Ylg '19 KEESEP; \$35,000 2yo '20 OBSOPN). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Paradise Farms Corp. and David Staudacher; B-Royal Oak Farm (KY); T-Michael J. Maker; J-Jose L. Ortiz. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 25-6-9-3, \$468,354.

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2--**Join the Dance, 118, m, 5, Shackelford--Moondancer,** by Cuvee. (\$7,500 Ylg '20 KEESEP; \$70,000 2yo '21 OBSOPN; \$110,000 3yo '22 KEENOV; \$100,000 4yo '23 KEENOV). O-Gervais Racing, LLC; B-Mike Freeny & Pat Freeny (KY); T-Dallas Stewart. \$20,000.

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3--**Autism Community, 118, f, 4, Kitten's Joy--Rexy (GB),** by Teofilo (Ire). (\$11,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Taboada Racing Stables LLC; B-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY); T-Jonathan Wong. \$10,000.

Margins: HF, 2HF, 2HF. Odds: 1.80, 11.30, 13.60.

HOWARD AND SONDRRA BENDER MEMORIAL S., \$75,000, Laurel, 12-21, (C), 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24.48, ft.

1--**CELTIC CONTENDER, 123, c, 3, Irish War Cry--Celtic Katie (SW, \$216,650), by Posse.** O-Lewis Family Racing Stable; B-Fred T Lewis (MD); T-Hamilton A. Smith; J-Victor R. Carrasco. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 12-5-1-3, \$234,805. *1/2 to Hunter Joe (Palace Malice), SP, \$268,690.

IT PAYS TO BREED MARYLAND-BREDS

2--**Circle P, 121, g, 3, Speightster--Quiet Inferno,** by Quiet American. (\$18,000 Wlg '21 FTIDEC; \$47,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-DeSales 85 LLC; B-Marathon Farms, Inc. (MD); T-Flint W. Stites. \$15,000.

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3--**Witty, 126, g, 5, Great Notion--Zeezee Zoomzoom,** by Congrats. O-Qatar Racing LLC, Marc Detampel and Elizabeth M. Merryman; B/T-Elizabeth M. Merryman (PA). \$7,500.

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Margins: 1HF, 2, HF. Odds: 1.20, 9.10, 2.50.

POLITELY S., \$75,000, Laurel, 12-21, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.18, ft.

1--**SPENCERIAN, 122, f, 4, Irish War Cry--Cursive, by Straight Talking. 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Larry E. Rabold; B-Franklin G. Smith (MD); T-Hugh I. McMahon; J-Victor R. Carrasco. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 17-6-1-2, \$215,746.

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2--**Bella Bettina, 122, m, 6, Midshipman--Congaree Princess,** by Congaree. O/T-Samuel G. Davis; B-Daniel Marconi (MD). \$15,000.

3--**Bourbon Bon Bay, 120, m, 7, Bourbon Courage--Sheza Dish,** by Majestic Warrior. O/B-Erin Hlubik (MD); T-Edward T. Allard. \$7,500.

Margins: 2, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 3.40, 7.00, 2.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Oaklawn, \$130,000, 12-21, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.55, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

WENDELSSOHN (c, 3, Mendelsohn--Gangbusters, by Broken Vow) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-1, \$135,531. O/B-Ruis Racing LLC (KY); T-Chris A. Hartman.

10th-Oaklawn, \$130,000, (S), 12-21, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.99, ft, 1/2 length.

CHROME'S ECHO (g, 3, Texas Chrome--Kentucky Brown, by Big Brown) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$114,719. O/B- Keene Thoroughbreds, LLC (AR); T-Brett Creighton.

8th-Oaklawn, \$130,000, (NW1\$9MX)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 12-21, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38.07, ft, 1 length.

OSBOURNE (g, 5, Tapiture--Planet Rock, by Rock Hard Ten) Lifetime Record: MSP, 21-4-6-3, \$584,519. O-Southern Springs Stables (Ron Moquett), Floyd Sagely Properties LTD, Mark Tauber, Keith Johnston and Robert V. LaPenta; B-Amy Boulton (KY); T-Ron Moquett. *\$9,500 RNA Ylg '20 WANJUL.

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8th-Turfway, \$77,900, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 12-20, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09.97, ft, 2 3/4 lengths.

BROMLEY (c, 4, Mastery--Go Go Dana, by Malibu Moon) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-4-1-4, \$304,140. O-OXO Equine LLC; B-Lee McMillin & Eric Buckley (KY); T-Paulo H. Lobo. *\$450,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV. **1/2 to Crew Dragon (Exaggerator), MSP, \$195,035.

1st-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, (S), 12-21, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.55, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

YOCKEY'S DRIVETHRU (g, 4, Yockey's Warrior--Skyline Drive, by Quality Road) Lifetime Record: 10-2-4-2, \$98,310. O-Stewart Mather Madison, Steve Landry, Matthew Bernard and Joel Broussard; B-Stewart M. Madison & Stephen J. Landry (LA); T-Sam B. David, Jr.

2nd-Laurel, \$51,505, 12-21, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:53.71, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

SAGRADA RAY (g, 5, Frosted--Christina d'Oro {SP}, by Medaglia d'Oro) Lifetime Record: 33-7-3-4, \$209,591. O-Rose Petal Stable LLC; B-Nesco II LTD (KY); T-Gary Capuano. *\$17,000 Ylg '20 KEESEP.

6th-Delta Downs, \$45,000, (S), 12-20, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40.93, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

CAJUN AMI (g, 4, Congrats--Jcs American Dream {SP, \$385,900}, by Catienus) Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-3, \$98,290. O-Lester Bourque; B-Coule Croche Thoroughbreds, LLC (LA); T-Allen Landry. *\$7,500 Ylg '21 TTAYHR.

5th-Penn National, \$31,853, 12-20, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.54, sy, neck.

YAHOO OMAR (g, 3, Palace Malice--Heels, by Flatter) Lifetime Record: 12-5-2-1, \$98,377. O-Edward F. Gardner; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Andrew L. Simoff. *\$22,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. **1/2 to Pigalle (Blame), SW, \$354,469.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

I Got Game, g, 2, Game Winner--Baby Nina (SW), by Flatter. Oaklawn, 12-21, 6f, 1:11.22. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-0, \$127,600. B-SF Bloodstock LLC (KY). *\$85,000 RNA Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$130,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. **11th winner for freshman sire (by Candy Ride {Arg}).



Americandreammaker, f, 3, American Pharoah--Chocolate Souffle, by Tapit. Tampa Bay Downs, 12-21, 1mT, 1:37.12. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-1, \$34,780. B-Rock Brothers Breeding LLC (KY).

Lady Cheryl's Song, f, 3, Brave Dave--Ze Lade, by Zuppardo's Prince. Delta Downs, 12-20, 5f, :59.01. Lifetime Record: 12-1-3-4, \$70,370. B-Michelle R. Hamilton (LA).

Riyadh Moon, g, 3, Malibu Moon--Princess of China, by Unbridled's Song. Oaklawn, 12-21, (C), 1m, 1:38.80. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$65,958. B-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY). *\$37,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$130,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR.

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American Pharoah, American Hope, c, 3, o/o Room Service, by More Than Ready. ALW, 12-21, Fair Grounds

American Pharoah, Americandreammaker, f, 3, o/o Chocolate Souffle, by Tapit. MSW, 12-21, Tampa Bay

Bahamian Squall, Spirit Wind, m, 5, o/o Sacred Psalm, by Awesome of Course. Poinsettia S., 12-21, Oaklawn

Bernardini, Baddest Good Boy, g, 3, o/o Shrilanka, by Pleasantly Perfect. MSW, 12-21, Oaklawn

Bolt d'Oro, Major Dude, c, 4, o/o Mary Rita, by Distorted Humor. Gil Ft. Lauderdale S., 12-21, Gulfstream



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Brave Dave, Lady Cheryl's Song, f, 3, o/o Ze Lade, by Zuppardo's Prince. MSW, 12-20, Delta Downs

Buccherò, Shards, c, 3, o/o Cynthia's Fury, by Utopia (Jpn). AOC, 12-20, Turfway

Complexity, Tough Catch, c, 2, o/o Try to Catch Her, by Broken Vow. Sugar Bowl S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Congrats, Cajun Ami, g, 4, o/o Jcs American Dream, by Catienus. ALW, 12-20, Delta Downs

Flameaway, Bear River, r, 3, o/o Sixtyfivenorth, by **Midshipman**. Richard R. Scherer Memorial S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Flatter, Film Star, h, 5, o/o Rebelle, by **Hard Spun**. Robert T. Manfuso S., 12-21, Laurel

Frosted, Sagrada Ray, g, 5, o/o Christina d'Oro, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. ALW, 12-21, Laurel

Game Winner, I Got Game, g, 2, o/o Baby Nina, by Flatter. MSW, 12-21, Oaklawn

Hard Spun, Built, c, 2, o/o Sea Garden, by **Curlin**. **Gun Runner** S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Into Mischief, Coppola, h, 5, o/o Blind Copy, by Distorted Humor. Janus S., 12-21, Gulfstream

Into Mischief, Into Pleasure, c, 3, o/o Settle 'n Speight, by Speightstown. MSW, 12-21, Gulfstream

Into Mischief, Rocket Can, c, 4, o/o Tension, by **Tapit**. GIII Harlan's Holiday S., 12-21, Gulfstream

Iqbaal, Blackfoot Daisy, f, 3, o/o Bistro Moncur, by Lonhro (Aus). MSW, 12-21, Gulfstream

Irish War Cry, Celtic Contender, c, 3, o/o Celtic Katie, by Posse. Howard and Sondra Bender Memorial S., 12-21, Laurel

Irish War Cry, Spencerian, f, 4, o/o Cursive, by Straight Talking. Politely S., 12-21, Laurel

Malibu Moon, Riyadh Moon, g, 3, o/o Princess of China, by Unbridled's Song. MCL, 12-21, Oaklawn

Mastery, Bromley, c, 4, o/o Go Go Dana, by Malibu Moon. AOC, 12-20, Turfway

Mastery, Sea Dancer, f, 3, o/o Cuyathy, by Congrats. Carousel S., 12-21, Laurel

Mendelssohn, Wendelssohn, c, 3, o/o Gangbusters, by Broken Vow. ALW, 12-21, Oaklawn

Mo Town, Mystic Lake, f, 3, o/o Salty Soul, by Itsmyluckyday. Sugar Swirl S., 12-21, Gulfstream

Muhaarar (GB), Be Your Best (Ire), f, 4, o/o Kamakura, by **Medaglia d'Oro**. GIII Suwannee River S., 12-21, Gulfstream

Not This Time, Gigante, c, 4, o/o Summertime Green, by Empire Maker. Buddy Diliberto Memorial S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Nyquist, Undercover Girl, f, 3, o/o Free Cover, by Congrats. ALW, 12-21, Fair Grounds

Palace Malice, Yahoo Omar, g, 3, o/o Heels, by Flatter. ALW, 12-20, Penn National

Practical Joke, Her Laugh, f, 2, o/o Truth Goddess, by Point of Entry. Untapable S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Practical Joke, Simply Joking, f, 2, o/o Imply, by E Dubai. Letellier Memorial S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Quality Road, Seattle Road, c, 2, o/o Seattle Slang, by **Tapit**. MSW, 12-21, Fair Grounds

Tapiture, Osbourne, g, 5, o/o Planet Rock, by Rock Hard Ten. AOC, 12-21, Oaklawn

Texas Chrome, Chrome's Echo, g, 3, o/o Kentucky Brown, by Big Brown. ALW, 12-21, Oaklawn

Uncle Mo, Oncourtcommentator, f, 3, o/o **Curlin's** Fox, by **Curlin**. AOC, 12-21, Laurel

Vancouver (Aus), Stir Crazy, m, 6, o/o Mentally Unstable, by Good Reward. Blushing K. D. S., 12-21, Fair Grounds

Volatile, Paraclete, c, 2, o/o Miss Hermes, by Lemon Drop Kid. MSW, 12-20, Turfway

War of Will, Walking in Memphis, c, 2, o/o Harmony Victory, by More Than Ready. MSW, 12-21, Gulfstream

Yockey's Warrior, Yockey's Drivethru, g, 4, o/o Skyline Drive, by **Quality Road**. ALW, 12-21, Fair Grounds



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Continuing our series, **Emma Berry** rambles on about cakes, why she loves Baden-Baden, and her favourite BBAG graduate.

Horse of the Year: Tamfana

There is a certain appeal to the BBAG September Yearling Sale. Nothing against Tattersalls, Goffs or Arqana, but I've spent so many hours in their sales rings over the years that, to a degree, familiarity breeds contempt.

Not so at BBAG, where an eclectic eve-of-sale singalong with 'German Elvis' and a decent selection of Kuchen are guaranteed for the one day a year on which I am fortunate enough to be reporting from Germany's leading sale. It's not just the cakes, of course, that make this a favourite. Being able to take in a decent couple of days' racing at the next-door racecourse at Iffezheim is an extra draw, as are the pedigrees on offer, which offer a refreshing departure to those more regularly found a bit closer to home.

There's a fine line to be drawn when it comes to putting in vital sales research and generally annoying consignors on their busy inspection days. I long ago worked out that it is better to pester a bloodstock agent and tag along on their rounds, hoping to gain an insight on what's in store once the sale begins while not being branded a tyre-kicker for going around solo and pulling out horses you have no intention of buying. **Cont. p3**

FUTURE LOOKS 'GOLDEN' FOR WOOTTON BASSETT'S INITIAL AUSTRALIAN JUVENILE WINNER PALLATON

Coolmore shuttle stallion **Wootton Bassett (GB)** sired his first Australian juvenile winner when **Pallaton (Aus)** bolted up by 2 3/4 lengths in the 1000-metre Shinzo@Coolmore Plate at Randwick on Saturday ([video](#)).

Trained by Michael Freedman and ridden by Tommy Berry, the bay shifted off the fence at the 400-metre mark, split rivals inside the 300 and cruised past 3-1 crowd's pick **Chergui (Aus) (Frosted)** at the 100-metre pole to win going away. The colt now shares co-favourite honours for the G1 Golden Slipper with G3 Gimcrack Stakes winner **Bel Merci (Aus) (Extreme Choice {Aus})**.

"We've had a good opinion of him for a while and he's has been very professional right from the first day we got him in," said Michael Freedman. "He has a great temperament, just the perfect 2-year-old type and I worked him with an older horse earlier this week and he more than held his own and I thought if he brings that to the races you will see the best of him." **Cont. p?**

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Soldier Hollow (GB) is pictured winning his second and final G1 Grosser Dallmayr Preis in 2007. The stallion would go on to sire Emma Berry's pick for Horse of the Year in Tamfana (Ger). | Racing Fotos

4 | MAKING WAVES: SIYOUNI FILLY TALK OF FLORIDA

See You Around (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) is the latest winner added to the Making Waves roll of honour.

5 | FRANCE GALOP ADOPTS 2025 BUDGET

Prize-money levels will remain at 2024 levels according to France Galop. A budget deficit is also going to be addressed through a first-quarter audit of the PMU.

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Horse of the Year; One For Next Year Cont. from p1

My regular victim at Baden-Baden is Jeremy Brummitt. No better man to follow at this particular sale, especially if one can cope with his unique brand of humour and ferocious work ethic which ensures that he sees every horse on the sale ground. One brief lunchtime stop for Maultaschen at the stable cafe is permitted.

Brummitt's diligence paid off particularly well this year when his €20,000 purchase in 2022, Tamfana (Ger), won the G1 Sun Chariot Stakes at Newmarket. I'd love to claim some kind of credit for this lovely daughter of Soldier Hollow (GB) but my only tenuous link is having been there when she was bought, and on the Rowley Mile to witness the unbridled joy of her owners in the Quantum Leap Racing & Friends syndicate. A vicarious thrill it was, too.

The credit must all go to her breeders Gestut Etzean and Hans-Helmut Rodenburg, trainer David Menuisier, whose star rises year on year and, of course, Brummitt, the man in the hat, who declined to join the winners' photo at Newmarket but was nevertheless plainly delighted.

Beyond the Sun Chariot, Tamfana has done little wrong in her two seasons of racing. A winner on Kempton's Polyrack on her second start last October, she made light work of the heavy

going at Chantilly to land the G3 Prix Miesque as her two-year-old bow. Her Classic trial came in the G3 Prix Impudence on debut this year, in which she was only half a length behind Ramatuelle (**Justify**) when third, beaten a length in total.

Those two fillies met again next time in Newmarket in the 1,000 Guineas, the form of which now reads very well. One length separated the first five home. Tamfana, who was blocked in her eye-catching late run, was fourth, with subsequent Group 1 winners Porta Fortuna (Ire) (Caravaggio) and Ramatuelle only narrowly separating her from the winner Elmalka (GB) (**Kingman {GB}**). The Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Fallen Angel (GB) (Too Darn Hot {GB}) was back in eighth that day and the Oaks runner-up Dance Sequence (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) was ninth.

Third in the Prix de Diane, just three-quarters of a length off the winner, Tamfana got her head back in front in the G3 Atalanta Stakes as a confidence-booster prior to the Sun Chariot, and she ended her year with another Group 1 placing in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes when third to Charyn (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) and Facteur Cheval (Ire) (Ribchester {Ire}).

There was some poignancy to her good year on the track as her sire, the former multiple German champion, died in May just a few days after the Guineas. Soldier Hollow did his bit to silence the doubters of small horses. **Cont. p4**

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Horse of the Year; One For Next Year Cont.

Barely bigger than a pony, he was by the similarly diminutive and successful In The Wings (GB) and he was beloved by his owner **Helmut von Finck**, another of the country's leading breeders through his Gestüt Park Wiedingen, who regarded him as "the German Galileo".

Reduced foal crops are a feature of most breeding nations, but the shrinking of the Thoroughbred population in Germany is becoming of great concern. Stallions in the country covered only 629 mares this year but, still, Germany punches above its weight.

Tamfana hails from one of the country's leading farms, Gestut Etzean, where the horsemanship of manager Ralf Kredel shines through in the presentation of his sale yearlings, which are shown in head collars with no bits. Recent graduates from the farm include Miss Yoda (Ger) (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**) and Palmas (Ger) (Lord Of England {Ger}), consecutive winners of the G1 Preis der Diana in 2020 and 2021.

All of these factors combined made Tamfana my horse of the year in 2024, and I hope to be shouting her home again next year.

One for Next Year: Seaplane

I remain convinced that Golden Horn (GB) will eventually be represented by a Classic winner. Whether or not that will be Seaplane (GB) will be seen in the coming season but, either way, Paul and Oliver Cole look to have a smart colt on their hands in this homebred for Ben and Sir Martyn Arbib. His dam, Seaduced (GB) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), has already provided the Arbib family with notable success as her first foal was Sumo Sam (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}), winner of the G2 Lillie Langtry and G2 Park Hill Fillies' Stakes in 2023. Her next was the dual winner and 93-rated Sun God (GB) (Fastnet Rock {GB}).

Stallion to Follow: Ubettabelieveit

It is easy to believe that this young son of Kodiak (GB) could get off to a fast start in the first-season sires' championship. Standing at Mickley Stud, which breeds plenty of winners year after year, including, most notably, Havana Grey (in partnership with the late Lady Lonsdale), Ubettabelieveit will be one to watch in the early skirmishes. He had some well-made youngsters at the sales who looked, perhaps unsurprisingly, as if they could be early sorts, just like him. His yearling average of just over £21,000 for 40 sold, was more than four times his fee.

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SIYOUNI FILLY SHINES IN TROPICAL PARK OAKS

In this series, the TDN takes a look at notable successes of European-based sires in North America. This week's column is highlighted by the victory of See You Around in the Listed Tropical Park Oaks at Gulfstream in December.

Siyouni Filly Takes A Liking To The Tropics

Cotton House Racing's **See You Around (Ire)** (**Siyouni {Fr}**) earned the first American stakes victory of her career in the Listed Tropical Park Oaks at Gulfstream Park for trainer Christophe Clement last weekend ([video](#)). Bred by C-Squared Investments, the February foal was making her second start in the U.S.

The bay was offered by La Motteraye Consignment at the 2022 Arqana August Sale, but did not meet her reserve and was a €140,000 buy-back. Out of the Dutch Art (GB) mare Besotted (Ire), See You Around won the Listed Prix Aymeri de Mauleon at Toulouse in April of this year for Cotton House Bloodstock, and earned a career high in her French finale for trainer Philippe Sogorb with a third in the G3 Prix de Lieurey. One of five runners and four winners for listed winner Besotted who incidentally won the same listed race as her daughter and was also second in the G2 Prix de Sandringham, See You Around is a half-sister to the G3 Prix des Reservoirs heroine Fancy Me (Ire), by **Siyouni's** sire Pivotal (GB). [Cont. p5](#)



See You Around | Ryan Thompson/Coglianese Photography

Making Waves Cont.

Besotted’s latest progeny is a yearling colt by Ghaiyyath (Ire). The family features a slew of top-liners, among them classy sprinter/miler, GI Breeders’ Cup Mile winner and sire Last Tycoon (Ire) (Try My Best), and Tie Black (Ire) (Machiavellian), a half-sister to Besotted who won the 2006 G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches. See You Around’s great granddam is the influential mare Mill Princess (Ire) (Mill Reef).

The Aga Khan Studs’ **Siyouni** is credited with 19 winners from 44 runners (43%) in the U.S. See You Around is his sixth stakes winner in that jurisdiction (13%), joining Grade III winners Sacred Life (Fr), La Signare (Fr), Love And Thunder (Ire), and Beautiful Love (Ire), as well as Listed Golden Poppy Stakes heroine Altea (Fr), who has placed four times at graded level.

Repeat Winner

Scarlet Poppy (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) made it two consecutive wins when taking a Tampa Bay Downs race for trainer Wesley Ward on Dec. 14 ([video](#)). A runner for Stonestreet Stables, Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith and Westerberg, the 3-year-old filly **first featured in this column** when she broke her maiden in New York two months ago.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

FRANCE GALOP ADOPTS 2025 BUDGET, PRIZE-MONEY LEVELS TO BE MAINTAINED

The 2025 France Galop budget has been formally adopted by the organisation’s council, which met at ParisLongchamp on Dec. 17.

France Galop president Guillaume de Saint-Seine said that the organisation will maintain 2024 prize-money levels. However, he also said that a full audit of the PMU, of which France Galop is a shareholder, would commence in the first quarter of 2025. The PMU’s gambling turnover for the past year has decreased by just under €100 million, leading to a loss of €18 million in contributions to racing and trotting.

De Saint-Seine said in a statement on Dec. 17, "The Board of Directors of France Galop has approved the 2025 budget, which reflects a proactive vision with a major investment: the maintenance of incentives at the 2024 level. We have also chosen to continue the implementation of the "Ambition 2030" plan, which aims to ensure visibility and economic sustainability for the sector and for France Galop's employees.

"We will review annually the effectiveness of the measures taken and the financial resources devoted to this plan, in the light of the evolution of our resources. It is a question of setting in motion a virtuous circle so that racing finds its place in the hearts of the French....

"At the same time, France Galop is considering how to carry out our missions more efficiently and with less burden, and therefore to transform ourselves....This savings plan aims to return to an operating balance for France Galop....

"After twelve months of presence on the PMU board of directors, I believe that we are not playing our role as a shareholder of the PMU; we are light years away from a private equity fund, an active shareholder even though more than 90% of our resources come from it.

"It is clear that strategic mistakes have been made in the past, such as the back and forth offer of races to bettors, the retreat assumed in the online sports betting offer, the erasure of the presence of the PMU brand in consumer communication....

"But it is clear that for the second time in ten years, the budget has not been realized. The medium-term plan of the PMU is abandoned; It was aiming for a contribution of €900 million by 2026/2027. It will be stability at best, while our expenses are increasing and France Galop's operating account--excluding capital gains--is in deficit...." [Cont. p6](#)

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France Galop Budget Cont.

He said, "We voted for the budget with a request for an audit for 2024 and the construction of the 2025 budget. This vote on the budget is motivated by the desire not to paralyse the PMU's activity from January 2025. In our minds, this is a preliminary budget, pending the conclusions of the audit that we have requested and the details of the requests for which will be presented to the audit and risk committee of the PMU on December 18, 2024 by Kamel Chehboub, our representative in this body.

"The audit is about understanding what is happening and how, from a gross gaming revenue, down by nearly 100 million euros, the contribution to the parent companies is down by only 18 million euros. It is also to ensure that the 2025 budget is solidly built and will not be revised downwards in the first months of next year, by deferrals of charges or other."

Earlier in the autumn, French racing avoided a **proposed tax on horse racing betting** that was part of the Social Security Finance Bill put forth by the French parliament. That language was later removed from that bill.

"For the record, at the beginning of October, we were told that the tax on betting would increase from 80 to 100 million euros," Saint-Seine's statement continued. "We have created a crisis unit with the FNCH, the Trot and the PMU which has met twice a day. We have also mobilised parliamentarians Woerth, Morin, Courtial, Vogel and elected representatives of the cities hosting racecourses. The work of explaining the unique nature of the financing of the racehorse breeding sector has been heard by the Government and more broadly by the State services, mainly in Bercy. The united mobilization of socio-professionals has been a success--but at a high cost in terms of revenue for the sector. Contacts will be maintained with the public authorities until the vote on the budget in 2025."

For Saint-Seine's full statement and more details on the 2025 France Galop budget, please visit the [France Galop website](#).

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Madhmoon (Ire) (**Dawn Approach {Ire}**), Haras du Saz
22 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Gabylou (Fr)**
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Moon Night (Fr)**

Presidency (GB) (**Oasis Dream {GB}**), Haras de la Bareliere
5 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-PORNICHET, 1700m, **First Ladykin (Fr)**
€2,000 RNA Osarus Breeze-Up La Teste 2024

Sottsass (Fr) (**Siyouni {Fr}**), Coolmore Stud
98 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners
4-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Chaissac (Fr)**
€65,000 Arqana Deauville August Yearling Sale 2023
3-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Estafette (Ire)**
€45,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2023

Van Beethoven (Scat Daddy), Karwin Farm
34 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
3-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Kubrycka (Fr)**
€9,000 RNA Arqana December Breeding Stock Sale 2022;
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Sottsass has a pair of runners at Pornichet | *Coolmore*

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4-PORNICHET, 1700m, **Kimitomo (Ire)**

€90,000 Arqana Deauville August Yearling Sale 2023

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HOW THEY FARED

17.15 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £6,300, 2yo, f, 9f 104y (AWT)

John and Thady Gosden trainee **Star Of Light (GB)** (**Frankel {GB}**), a daughter of G1 Irish Oaks, G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares heroine Star Catcher (GB) (**Sea The Stars {Ire}**), came from off the pace to notch a half-length debut triumph.

BRITAIN

Saturday's Results:

3rd-Wolverhampton, £6,300, Mdn, 12-21, 2yo, f, 9f 104y (AWT), 2:01.39, st.

STAR OF LIGHT (GB) (f, 2, Frankel {GB}--Star Catcher {GB} {G1SW-Eng, Fr & Ire, \$1,211,998}, by Sea The Stars {Ire}) raced in rear after a sluggish getaway in this unveiling. Rowed along rounding the home turn, the 9-2 chance powered to the front entering the final furlong and was pushed out to defeat Sound Janet (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire}) by a half-length in ultimately snug fashion. Star Of Light is the first of three foals produced by G1 Irish Oaks, G1 Prix Vermeille and G1 British Champions Fillies & Mares heroine Star Catcher (GB) (Sea The Stars {Ire}), herself a half-sister to G1 Canadian International-winning sire Cannock Chase (Lemon Drop Kid) and G2 Prix Eugene Adam and G3 Tercentenary Stakes victor Pisco Sour (Lemon Drop Kid). The February-foaled homebred bay is kin to a yearling filly by Cracksman (GB) and a weanling filly by Palace Pier (GB). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,276.

O-A E Oppenheimer; B-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd (GB); T-John & Thady Gosden.

3rd-Newcastle, £6,300, Mdn, 12-21, 2yo, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:32.70, st.

KAMEEL (GB) (g, 2, Twilight Son {GB}--Estournel {GB}, by Danehill Dancer {Ire}) recovered from a slow-motion break to track the leaders in fifth after the initial exchanges of this debut. Cruising into contention at the quarter-mile pole, the 5-1 chance inched ahead approaching the final furlong and was ridden out in the latter stages to deny Orangesandlemons (GB) (Mayson {GB}) by a half-length. Kameel is the fourth of five foals and third scorer produced by an unraced granddaughter of G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and G1 Moyglare Stud Stakes heroine Tarascon (Ire) (Tirol {Ire}). The April-foaled homebred bay is half to a weanling filly by Sergei Prokofiev. Sales history: £14,000 RNA Ylg '23 GOFFUK. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,276.

O/B-Naser Ebrahim Buresli (GB); T-John Butler.



IN AUSTRALIA:

Icarian Dream (Aus), f, 2, Blue Point (Ire)--Teebo (Aus), by Stryker (Aus). BRC, 12-21, G3 BJ McLachlan Stakes, 1200mT,

1:10.85, gd. B-Three Bridges Thoroughbreds (Vic). ***1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN.** **A\$310,000 Wlg '23 MMLMAY; A\$300,000 Ylg '24 MMLGCY.

IN THE UAE:

Expert Choice (GB), g, 3, Expert Eye (GB)--Pigota (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Abu Dhabi, 12-21, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:23.58, gd. B-Litex Commerce (GB). *24,000gns Wlg '21 TATNOV; 37,000gns Ylg '22 TATSEP; 44,000gns HRA '24 TATJUL. **VIDEO.**

Stormy Ocean (GB), g, 5, Frankel (GB)--As Good As Gold (Ire), by Oasis Dream (GB). Abu Dhabi, 12-21, Hcp., 2200mT, 2:15.91, gd. B-Newsells Park Stud & Partners (GB). *480,000gns Ylg '20 TATOCT; AED90,000 HRA '24 EMIMAR. **VIDEO.**



IN AUSTRALIA:

Pallaton (Aus), c, 2, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Anevay (Aus) (SW-Aus, \$118,679), by Exceed and Excel (Aus). Randwick, 12-21, Mdn., 1000mT, :57.25, gd. B-A Gow Gates (NSW). ***1ST-TIME STARTER.**

WORLDWIDE NEWS

Wootton Bassett Winner Cont. from p1

A homebred for Anthony Gow Gates, the colt joins his sire's 42 Northern Hemisphere 2024 juvenile winners. They were the first crop bred at Coolmore Stud in Ireland. Among them are 13 stakes winners, 10 group. There are four Group 1 winners sprinkled among them--Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf hero Henri Matisse (Ire), Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere victor Camille Pissarro (Ire), Criterium de Saint-Cloud scorer Tennessee Stud (Ire), and the Criterium International winner Twain (Ire).

Added Freedman of the **Wootton Bassett** progeny in his care, "We have a few at home and they have a terrific constitution and great temperament.

"I said to someone earlier in the week they remind me of back in the day with the Danehills, they had that relaxed and laid-back temperament and there is a bit of that talk around with a few of the other trainers saying the same thing."

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Wootton Bassett Winner Cont.

The son of Listed Talindert Stakes victress Anevay (Aus) (Exceed And Excel {Aus}) is her fifth winner. Anevay, herself, is a half-sister to G2 Todman Stakes hero Krupt (Aus) (Flying Spur {Aus}), as well as the dam of the stakes winner Poifect (Aus) (Pierro {Aus}). Fit To Lead (Fit To Fight), a five-time stakes winner in the U.S., was also second in the G1 Hollywood Oaks.

Palladon is from the first Southern Hemisphere-bred crop of **Wootton Bassett**, who splits his time between Coolmore Stud in Ireland and Coolmore Australia at Jerry Plains, NSW.

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Saturday, Kyoto, Japan

HANSHIN CUP-G2, ¥129,520,000, Kyoto, 12-21, 3yo/up, 1400mT, 1:20.10, fm.

1--**NAMURA CLAIR (JPN)**, 123, m, 5, by Mikki Isle (Jpn)

1st Dam: Sun Queen, by Storm Cat

2nd Dam: Fountain of Peace, by Kris S.

3rd Dam: Coup de Genie, by Mr. Prospector

O-Mutsuhiro Namura; B-Tanikawa Farm (Jpn); T-Kodai

Hasegawa; J-Christophe Lemaire; ¥68,274,000. Lifetime Record: MG1SP-Jpn, 20-6-5-5, ¥592,906,000. **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Mad Cool (Ire)**, 128, h, 5, Dark Angel (Ire)--Mad About You (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire). (€225,000 Wlg '19 GOFNOV). O-Sunday Racing; B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd (Ire); ¥27,364,000.

3--**Off Trail (GB)**, 126, c, 3, Farhh (GB)--Rose Trail, by Kingmambo. O/B-Godolphin (GB); ¥17,182,000. Margins: HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 2.70, 10.50, 23.00.

Also Ran: Serifos (Jpn), Mama Cocha (Jpn), So Dazzling (Jpn), Travesura (Jpn), Win Marvel (Jpn), Asakara King (Jpn), Danon Scorpion (Jpn), Danon McKinley (Jpn), Champagne Color (Jpn), A Shin Spotter (Jpn), Matenro Orion (Jpn), Mozu Meimei (Jpn), Red Mon Reve (Jpn), Win Greatest (Jpn), Etes Vous Prets (Ire). **Click for the JRA chart & video.**

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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)	SCR	SCR	SCR
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

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