





INTO MISCHIEF HAS A BOLD MISSION FOR 2025



Into Mischief | Sarah Andrew

by Chris McGrath

Even now, having broken his own record haul to secure a sixth consecutive general sires' championship, we cannot quite call him another Bold Ruler. But if **Into Mischief** can extend his reign through 2025, so matching the sequence achieved by the Claiborne legend between 1963 and 1969, he will give formal gilding to his status as the stallion who best defines our epoch.

Bold Ruler actually added an eighth title in 1973, but that modern record--we must leave Lexington's 19th century career as a bewildering case apart--does not feel secure even with Into Mischief now entering the veteran stage. The libido that has underpinned the Spendthrift champion's hegemony shows no sign of diminishing as he turns 20 and, despite a forbidding fee nowadays, his book actually climbed back to 193 mares this spring from 174 in 2023 (a book that produced a stellar 82% live foals).

And of course it is sheer volume that not only guarantees Into Mischief continued momentum, even if he happened to be pensioned tomorrow morning, but also makes him the poster boy of the modern commercial era.

Because here is the triumphant paragon of an industrial model that has become so dominant that several of the more conservative farms are conspicuously releasing the brakes on book sizes. **Cont. Pg. 3**

ALL NY-BRED PURSES TO MATCH OPEN-COMPANY LEVELS BEGINNING IN 2027

Beginning in January 2027, the prize money on offer for all New York-bred overnight races on the New York Racing Association (NYRA) circuit will equal that which is available to their open-company counterparts, officials at NYRA said on Monday.

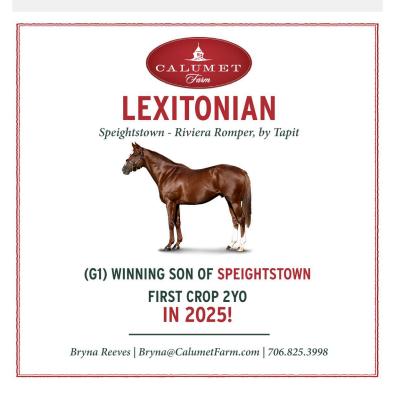
As was announced in 2023, beginning in January 2026, all New York-bred overnight races for 2-year-olds will offer equal purse money. In 2024, NYRA staged 548 races restricted to New York-breds for total purses of \$42,817,000, and the new program is expected to raise New York-bred overnight purses by 15% versus the 2024 levels.

According to the release, 672 live New York-bred foals have already been reported to The Jockey Club through Oct. 13, an increase of 13.9% when compared to the previous year's figures. **Cont. Pg. 8**

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CAMELOT LEADS TOP SIRES ON THE CONTINENT

Emma Berry picks out the standout performers at the end of the sires' championships in France, Germany and Italy, with Camelot (GB) being crowned the leading stallion in Europe.



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Chris McGrath, TDN



R	ank	Sire	2025 Fee	Foals	BTWs	%BTW/Rnrs	GSWs	Progeny Earnings
	1	TIZ THE LAW	\$30,000	89	5	10.0%	2	\$2,731,687
	2	McKinzie	\$75,000	148	2	2.9%	2	\$2,731,154
	3	Vekoma	\$35,000	150	4	4.8%	1	\$2,707,011

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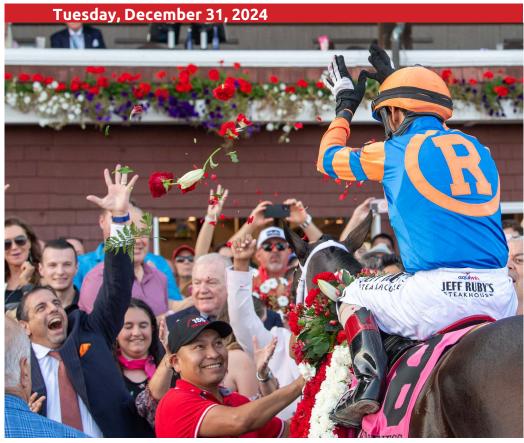
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2024 in photos: August 24. John Velazquez throws flowers in the winner's circle after winning GI Travers Stakes aboard 'TDN Rising Star' Fierceness (City of Light). | Sarah Andrew

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Into Mischief cont.

With the defeat of the mare cap, you can see people looking at Spendthrift and Coolmore and deciding: "If you can't beat them, join them."

But it would be ridiculous to treat an animal as freakishly prepotent as Into Mischief as any kind of template. He proved capable of siring top horses even from the mediocre mares he covered as a prototype for the kind of incentive schemes by which Spendthrift's late owner B. Wayne Hughes so enjoyed rocking the Bluegrass boat. And from that base he has followed a trajectory that is by no means guaranteed, and steadily improved his black-type ratios (while stretching out his stock to

Classic distances) with his upgrading mares.

That has brought him to a touching moment of parity with **Tapit**. Both are currently credited with 166 lifetime black-type winners as a virtually identical proportion (c 11.5%) of their

named foals.

The venerable Gainesway champion, whose book is being carefully supervised these days, must very soon be deposed as North America's all-time leading sire--very possibly in 2025. His

progeny earnings stand at \$213.5 million, while Into Mischief has just raced passed his latest career milestone on \$200.6 million.

And Into Mischief has already laid down a marker for 2025 by also topping the table for 2-year-old sires, with Citizen Bull leading his six stakes winners and seven graded stakes performers. (Both of those represent class highs, but hats off to Nyquist and rookie McKinzie for two juvenile Grade I winners apiece. More follows



Tapit | Mathea Kelley

below, incidentally, on McKinzie and an absurdly tight race for the freshman crown.)

With total progeny earnings of \$35,368,704 (all stats updated through December 29), Into Mischief has shattered the record





Gun Runner | Sarah Andrew

of \$28,562,932 he posted in 2022. That felt inevitable the moment Laurel River won the G1 Dubai World Cup, but the fact is that Into Mischief would have fallen only marginally short (at \$28,212,648) even if that particular horse had never left his stable this year.

And, as we've indicated, the fact that he sent out far more foot soldiers than any other sire--474 starters, with his son Goldencents next on 397--does not alone account for the fact

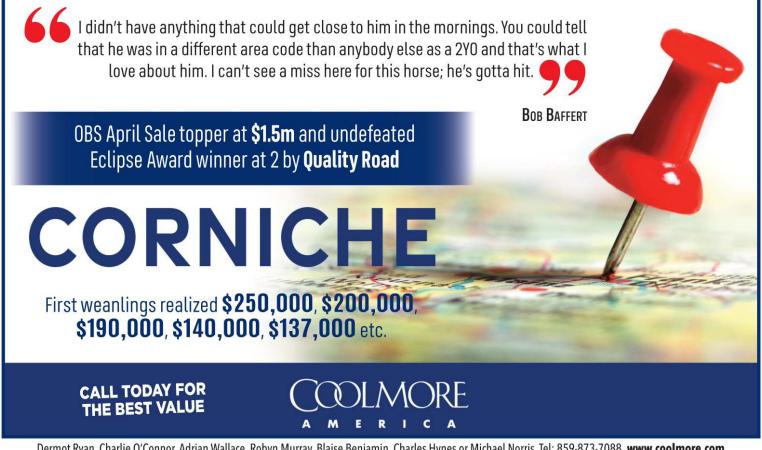
that he duly tops every column, from stakes performers through to Grade I winners (five). For his ratios nowadays are strong, too. His 35 black-type winners represent 7.4% of starters. Aside from a couple of freshmen, who are obviously a case apart, that clip is matched among active competition in Kentucky only by Oscar Performance (10 at 7.5%) and Not This Time (17 at 7.4%).

Of course, nowadays that blend of quality and quantity also applies to Into Mischief's mares. His first foals conceived at six figures are now turning six, and his latest juveniles were sired at \$225,000. So we must give due credit to those among his pursuers still maintaining superior percentages in crucial indices.

Best Of the Rest

With his expanding arsenal, for instance, **Gun Runner** has reached a new personal best of \$22,485,868, securing second place with only a fourth crop in action. That's up from \$17,663,202 and third place in 2023. And his dozen graded stakes winners, including four at the elite level, represented 4.7% of starters, against 17 for Into Mischief at 3.6%. Overall Gun Runner's average earnings per starter were \$88,180, compared with \$74,618 for Into Mischief.

Just under one in 10 of his starters made a graded stakes podium, which looks pretty wild compared with Into Mischief's 6.5%. Cont.



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G1SW AT 2

- 1st Hopeful S. [G1] by 5% lengths
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- 1st Amsterdam S. [G2]
- 1st Maxfield S. [L]
- 1st Harrods Creek S. [L]
- 1st Perryville S. [L]
- 2nd H. Allen Jerkens Memorial S. [G1]

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- 1st King Cotton S. [L]
- 1st Aristides S. [L]
- 2nd Alfred G Vanderbilt H. [G1]
- 2nd Breeders' Cup Sprint [G1]



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But he was actually matched by third-placed Justify, who accumulated \$16,149,027 with just a third crop in play. These two young guns really haven't missed a beat. By the same token, they have not had to overcome the challenges that delayed the

rise of the ruler they aim someday to dethrone.

The venerable Mineshaft obviously owes fourth place to the desert plunder of Senor Buscador, who accounted for 76.7% of his total \$15,680,634 bank, though it was nice to see him close out 2024 with a 2-year-old stakes winner (Jenkin in the Year's End Stakes at Oaklawn). But Constitution certainly took a major step forward--as many had confidently anticipated--in finishing just behind on



Curlin | Sarah Andrew

\$15,400,026. While just lacking that Grade I headliner he elevated himself sharply, with a sixth crop into the gate, from \$10,641,524 and 15th place in 2023. And of course he now also has a son making waves in Tiz the Law.

While **Curlin** slipped a few places this year, just making the top 10 on \$13,792,523, he included another three elite scorers among his dozen graded stakes winners, the latter compiled at a class-high rate of 5.2% of starters.

Broodmare Sires

Tapit's diminishing footprint sees him drop right down the general sires' table to 27th, but by the same token his daughters are increasing their own reach. And while the venerable gray surrenders his broodmare sire title to the late Street Cry (Ire), he appeared as damsire to an unrivalled 34 stakes and 16 graded stakes winners in 2024. Street Cry, sire of a couple of

epoch-making female talents on the racetrack, has proved

unsurprisingly effective as a distaff influence. He owes the division laurels to globetrotter Rebel's Romance (Ire), but his daughters produced four additional Grade I winners this year. Cont.





Another lamented Darley stallion, **Bernardini**, continues his rise in this sphere in seventh, matching **Tapit**'s class-high 32 graded stakes performers (similarly including three Grade I winners) at 5% of starters.

But watch out for **Blame**, whose precocity in this sphere is already well established: his daughters are operating at mad, off-the-charts ratios, with 17 stakes winners and eight graded stakes winners at 9.5% and 4.4% of 2024 starters. His footprint for now remains too narrow to put him any higher than 34th (up from 49th), but those strike-rates are more than DOUBLE almost all those above him. (In other words, stand by for more Blame in the next instalment of our Value Sires series!)

Second-/Third-Crop and Turf Sires

Among the younger sires trying to consolidate their status, the cream rose to the top in the second-crop table through the maturing stock of **Omaha Beach**. Having finished behind three neighbors in a Spendthrift monopoly of the 2023 freshman title, this time round he tops the table on all class indices, for instance with 11 and 21 black-type winners and performers (respectively at 6.8% and 13% of starters), and two Grade I winners (among five placed at that level).

Runner-up **Audible** cannot match those ratios but has similarly thrived through his first sophomores (sixth as freshman) and ties

Omaha Beach with six graded stakes performers. But the cavalries behind some of these young commercial sires continues to astound. Fourth-placed **Vino Rosso**, for example, has accumulated exactly 200 starters in 2024 with only a second crop of juveniles into the gate! Let's hope some of those young stallions showing promise under the radar get more attention than **Preservationist**, who has now left the country despite a class-high 56% winners to starters in 2024.



Blame | Claiborne





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Having come up with the Epsom Derby winner City of Troy, Justify continues his dynamic start with the third-crop title, though runner-up Good Magic has achieved a historic distinction by joining only Man o' War and Gallant Fox in siring Classic winners from both his first two crops. Obviously he must allow some credit to Puca (Big Brown), who gave him both Mage and Dornoch, but he matches Justify with three elite scorers this year.

Justify stands alone, however, when it comes to sheer weight of stakes action: he has had no fewer than 41 black-type and 25 graded stakes performers, at a knockout 16% and 9.8%, respectively. This looks a pretty vintage group overall, with City of Light securing third through flagbearer Fierceness and Oscar Performance matching the top two with five graded stakes winners. As noted above, the Mill Ridge star's 10 stakes winners have come at an outstanding 7.5%: he had just 134 starters, compared with 326 for Mendelssohn who duly claims fourth. Oscar Performance actually made the top 10 on the general sires' list when measured by earnings per starter.

Unsurprisingly he did the same on the overall turf list, despite only sending a third crop of juveniles to the gate. But the grass champion is **Twirling Candy**, whose outstanding campaign places him sixth on the general sires' list, with \$8,457,529 of his aggregate \$15,174,744 banked on the green. No surprise to see **Justify** (a few cents shy of \$8 million) lying second, nor the splendid veteran **War Front** in fourth, but those who take a prescriptive view of pedigrees must clock none other than Into Mischief between them. If you consider that his stock will typically experiment with grass only if not working out on the main track, it reflects pretty scandalously on the big international programs that he has been given virtually zero opportunity in Europe.



Twirling Candy | Lane's End



Freshman Sires Go To the Wire

And finally we come to the incredible race for freshman sire. We've had to leave it late, because that's just what the three protagonists have done. In fact, the issue remains so desperate that it feels best to defer final congratulations until the last cent of purse money has been definitively paid out. As things stand, however, it does look as though **McKinzie** has just held out, with the added insurance of apparently the trio's sole remaining entry--that I can trace, at any rate--before midnight on New Year's Eve. (That's the aptly named Not Too Late, who at time of writing was set to contest Monday's Parx Future Stars Filly Stakes.)

But it has really gone to the wire, **Tiz the Law** making a dramatic late lunge through the neck success of Legal Empress after a stretch duel for a maiden at Oaklawn on Sunday. Previously the Coolmore sire had been lying third on \$2,665,687, behind **Vekoma** on \$2,717,095 and McKinzie on \$2,729,178. This 11th hour bonus took his bank to \$2,731,687-in other words, just inching the Ashford stallion past McKinzie. But whoa, what's this! Not much over an hour later, McKinzie's daughter Kinzie Queen, though beaten a long way into fifth of seven in the Year's End Stakes on the same card, scraped together \$6,650. **Cont.**

With debutante Young and Pretty having added a few dimes for her 18-length fourth of seven at Gulfstream, McKinzie appears to have pulled it out of the fire, with the updated standings placing him on \$2,736,038, a wafer-thin lead of \$4,351 over Tiz the Law, with Vekoma barely 10 grand further behind on \$2,721,295. As we've cautioned, however, we need to let the ink dry on this--not least because of some ongoing contention regarding certain runners overseas. (Another data source was on Monday still showing Tiz the Law with a lead of \$533!)

There must have been gnashing of teeth at Spendthrift on Sunday after Vekoma's son Red Miller, 2-1 on the morning line for his debut at Tampa Bay, came through as a veterinary scratch. He had clocked the fastest of 111 four-furlong breezes working from the gate at Belmont last month. But then how many other "shoulda coulda woulda" moments have been endured, through the last few months, by each of these stallions?

But this is just a rosette, after all, and the sage professionals standing these horses will know that each deserves celebration for more or less forcing a dead heat. Tiz the Law especially deserves recognition in having fielded only 50 starters, against 68 for McKinzie and as many as 83 for Vekoma, nonetheless matching McKinzie's two graded stakes winners (plus his two others placed at that level). But McKinzie has artfully made his bullets count, his only two black-type winners both contriving Grade Is--at which level, moreover, he has had two others placed! Vekoma, for his part, has meanwhile made numbers tell with no fewer than 39 individual winners, equaling the domestic record shared by Wildcat Heir and Chapel Royal.

That did not turn out to signal some transformative impact on the part of either of those horses. While too many young stallions are nowadays industrially exploited through a fleeting window of opportunity, the fact remains that all these horses have only just started out. We must give an especially honorable mention to **Complexity**, however, who set a strong pace before running out of reinforcements (56 starters) and fading into fourth. Even so his five stakes winners were only matched by McKinzie and Vekoma, while Complexity also joined the Gainesway sire and Tiz the Law with two graded stakes winners. As a class, they have mustered 11 of those, compared with just three for the historically underachieving freshmen of 2023.

For bureaucratic purposes, every Thoroughbred turns a page on New Year's Day. But their official birthday is only ever a milestone on a slow, circular road that can only be traveled with much perseverance and more luck. We wish you plenty of that vital ingredient in 2025.





CLARIFICATION: The expected fatality rate for 2024 is 0.84 horses per 1000, not 84 as was written in the Week In Review column that appeared in Monday's *TDN*. We apologize for any confusion.

New York cont.

The national foal crop is predicted to decline by approximately 2% in 2024.

"The commitment to the New York-bred overnight program builds upon our previous efforts to support high-quality New York-bred racing," said Andrew Offerman, NYRA's Senior Vice President of Racing and Operations. "Starting in 2026, the New York-bred foal crop will benefit from the financial reward of purse parity and will continue to reap those benefits throughout their racing careers."

The programs will be offered starting in 2026 at both Saratoga Race Course and Aqueduct Racetrack as well as at the new Belmont Park, which will open in the fall of 2026.

In addition to the lucrative purses offered by NYRA, a variety of owner, breeder and stallion awards are available to those who breed and race in New York. These incentives directly benefit thoroughbred breeding farms across the state.

"Thanks to the quality of New York-breds in the sales ring and at the racetrack, our foal crop numbers have trended positively in recent years," said Najja Thompson, Executive Director, New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc. "NYRA's commitment to investing in the New York-bred program will support continued growth and is a clear statement on why it pays to breed, own, and race in New York."



Saratoga Race Course | Sarah Andrew

The state of New York has adopted rules that expand the reach of the New York-bred awards and benefits by clarifying a pathway for non-resident mares to gain residency status. A non-resident mare purchased in foal through public auction is deemed a resident mare provided (1) that the mare is purchased for at least \$50,000 in the public auction; (2) is present in the state of New York within 15 days after a sale in North America and 60 days at any public auction sale abroad; (3) the foal is foaled in New York; and (4) the mare thereafter is continuously in residence in New York from within 120 days after her last cover in the year of conception of another foal and remains in residency until foaling. Click here for additional information.

NYRA and the New York State Thoroughbred Breeding and Development Fund (NYTBDF) proved up to \$650,000 annually in bonuses to owners. The bonus awards \$5,000 each time a New York-sired, New York-bred wins at the maiden special weight or allowance levels at NYRA tracks.

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Volatile, standing at Three Chimneys Farm, stands for \$12,500 in 2025 | Sarah Andrew

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ANDREW CARY

GOLD: Volatile (Violence--Melody Lady, by Unbridled's Song) Three Chimneys Farm, \$12,500

The brilliantly fast and talented son of Violence is off to a very promising start at stud, already with 24 first crop winners, six stakes horses (two Grade I placed) and three TDN Rising Stars. Volatile looks set to follow in his father's footsteps, capable of siring stakes horses and lucrative sales yearlings.

SILVER: Cairo Prince (Pioneerof the Nile--Holy Bubbette, by Holy Bull) Airdrie Stud, \$15,000

The veteran son of Pioneerof the Nile continues to churn out winners and stakes horses year in and year out. A consistent top 30 sire for \$15,000 is impressive, especially for one that throws the consistency and versatility that Cairo Prince throws. He has sired 12 individual stakes winners and 18 stakes horses this year, led by Grade III winner Honey Pants.

BRONZE: Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile--Pomeroys Pistol, by Pomeroy) Spendthrift Farm, \$12,500

Another son of Pioneerof the Nile, Thousand Words has exceeded expectations with his first crop this year, currently sitting in the top five on freshman sire rankings by progeny



earnings. He has sired three individual stakes winners, including the hard-knocking fillies The Queens M G and Vodka With a Twist, the latter a game runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies to champion Immersive (Nyquist).

ADRIAN REGAN

GOLD: Midshipman (Unbridled's Song--Fleet Lady, by Avenue of Flags) Darley, \$15,000

My gold choice would Midshipman. For me he gets solid results on the track every year and always seems to be well received at the sales as a result.

SILVER: Corniche (Quality Road--Wasted Tears, by Najran) Ashford Stud, \$15,000

My silver choice would Corniche. I don't know why but they surprised me at the sales a little bit. He seems to be getting a very consistent type of horse and considering how good a 2-year-old he was, it would not surprise me at all if his first-crop 2-year-olds are successful.

BRONZE: Mandaloun (Into Mischief--Brooch, Empire Maker) Juddmonte Farms, \$15,000

My bronze choice would be Mandaloun. The ones that we have had so far all were very easy to deal with and just seem to have a bit quality about them. At the end of the day he is a Kentucky Derby winner, a son of Into Mischief and out of a very good Empire Maker mare. I think he's definitely worth a shot at the price.

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Aided by strong support from owners and trainers that led to an increase in field size from 2023, the stretch was led by the \$21.4-million turnover on Thursday's program, topped by the GI Malibu Stakes, won by Raging Torrent (Maximus Mischief) and the GI La Brea Stakes, taken out by Kopion (Omaha Beach). That amount was the third-highest recorded on opening day in the history of thD track and was the fourth time in the last seven years exceeding \$20 million. Total attendance for the four days was better than 62,000, with over 41,000 heading through the turnstiles on opening day.

Santa Anita hosts a special New Year's Day program this Wednesday, with nine live races, and the four-day week continues Friday through Sunday.





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CORRALES, MAKER, RESOLUTE WIN TURFWAY TITLES

Gerardo Corrales, Mike Maker and John Stewart's Resolute Racing were the leading jockey, trainer and owner, respectively, during the Holiday Meet at Turfway Park.

Corrales booted home 14 winners, outdistancing Fernando de la Crus, Luan Machado and Irving Moncada, who each rode 11 winners. Corrales was the leading rider at the Holiday Meet from 2020 through 2022 and the Winter/Spring Meet in 2021-2022.

Runners sent out by the Mike Maker barn won seven races, one better than Larry Rivelli and three clear of Steve Asmussen, Brad Cox, John Ennis and Brendan Walsh on four victories.

Resolute won its first owner's title as part of a six-way tie for the top, but posted earnings of \$199,253, just better than Godolphin with \$169,894. Also finishing with two wins were Two Hearts Farm, Tom Lambro, Bubba Rodgers, Ricky Short, and the partnership of Down the Stretch Racing, Craftyhorse Racing, Homer Schafer, and Robert Sulzberger Jr.

The Holiday Meet delivered strong returns for horseplayers, with the average 50-cent Pick 5 paying a remarkable \$32,219, showcasing the sizable wagering pools available on a nightly basis. Additionally, the average \$2 win mutuel returned an impressive \$18.37.

The Winter/Spring meet at Turfway begins on New Year's Day with a special 1 p.m. post time. Racing continues Thursday through Saturday beginning at 5:55 p.m.

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MAHONING JOCKEY SUSPENDED FOR NOT

USING 'UTMOST EXERTION' by T.D. Thornton

Jockey Luis Antonio Gonzalez was suspended 15 days by the Mahoning Valley Race Course stewards Monday for a "failure to give best effort" infraction while riding an Ohio-bred 2-year-old shipper from Santa Anita Park who had broken her maiden in her most recent race in California by six lengths.

Gonzalez was aboard the 7-5 favorite Rapida (Country House) in the eighth race at Mahoning on Dec. 26, a state-bred N2L allowance sprint. After stalking the pace from the inside to the quarter pole, Rapida surged to the lead under urging and began opening up. She led by two inside the eighth pole, then Gonzalez geared her down approaching the final sixteenth despite the onrushing presence of the 2.20-1 second favorite Lo Bug (Mor Spirit), who nailed Rapida at the wire by a head.

In the Dec. 30 ruling, the Mahoning stewards wrote that Gonzalez "failed to use his utmost exertion to obtain a winning performance possibly costing him a better placing which may have affected mutuel payout."

The stewards' ruling stipulated that if Gonzalez chooses not to appeal his suspension, it will be reduced to seven days, running Jan. 6-12. It was unclear at deadline for this story if Gonzalez planned to appeal.

Gonzalez, who has been a licensed jockey since 1986 with 3,632 lifetime wins, is currently 16th in both victories and earnings at the Mahoning meet. His record in 2024 is 64-67-56 from 317 mounts.

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FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 29, 2024 ACTIVE NORTH AMERICAN-BASED STALLIONS

Sire (Sire's Sire)	#SWs	#GSW (GISW)
Caracaro (Uncle Mo)	2	
(CasaluBlue Norther SL)		
Goldencents (Into Mischief)	29	8
(J B Strikes BackLaffit Pincay, Jr. SGII)		
Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief)	10	(1)
(Maximus MeridiusGravesend SL;		
Raging TorrentMalibu SGI)		
Midnight Lute (Real Quiet)	45	16
(Wild Bout HilaryPago Hop S.)		

Midnight Storm (Pioneerof the Nile)	5	2
(Iron SkullClasico Navidad)		
Mineshaft (A.P. Indy)	63	24
(JenkinYear's End S.)		

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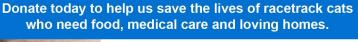
Take Charge Tom became the first stakes winner for WinStar's Tom's d'Etat in the Lost In the Fog Juvenile S. | Coady Media

Nyquist (Uncle Mo)	27	15
(One Man TeamHeft S.)		
Omaha Beach (War Front)	12	3 (2)
(KopionLa Brea S. presented by Don J	Iulio-GI)	
Tom's d'Etat (Smart Strike)	1	
(Take Charge TomLost in the Fog Juv	enile S.)	

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OLD FRIENDS WELCOMED SIX GRADED WINNERS IN 2024



Mission Impazible at Old Friends | Laura Battles

Old Friends Retirement Farm in Georgetown, Kentucky, has announced the addition of six graded stakes winners to their farm: Count Again, Delaunay, Mission Impazible, Normandy Invasion, Rainbow Heir and Warrior's Reward.

"Without a doubt, this has been a banner year for new arrivals at Old Friends," said John Nicholson, President and CEO of Old Friends. "Having these horses take their place as new residents is further testimony that Old Friends continues to earn its reputation as a longstanding leader in Thoroughbred aftercare.

"We remain grateful to the connections of all of the 297 horses who reside at our farms and, most importantly, to the many people who contribute to Old Friends which makes it possible for us to provide such a safe and comfortable retirement for these horses, all of whom gave their best for us."

Each of the six has settled in at Old Friends, having arrived at different stages during 2024.







GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Saturday, Santa Anita #5, post time: 4:30 p.m. EST SAN VICENTE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 7f

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT	
1	McKinzie Street 🛪	McKinzie	Leslie & Pierre Jean Amestoy, Jr. & Roger Beasley	Yakteen	Fresu	120	
2	Barnes	Into Mischief	Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.	Baffert	Hernandez	120	
3	Romanesque <a>**	Practical Joke	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables,	Baffert	Smith	120	
			Stonestreet Stable, Dianne Bashor, Determined Stable,				
			Robert E. Masterson, Tom Ryan, Waves Edge Capital,				
			and Catherine Donovan				
4	Smooth Cruisein	Girvin	Matson Racing, Sandra Brown, Elise& Marsha Naify	Headley	Gonzalez	120	
5	Bullard 🖛	Gun Runner	By Talla Racing LLC, St. Elias Stables LLC,	McCarthy	Rispoli	124	
			Three Chimneys Farm & West Point Thoroughbreds				

Breeders: 1-Clearsky Farms, 2-Jeff Drown and Don Rachel, LLC, 3-Elizabeth B. Barr, 4-J D Farms, 5-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC

Saturday, Santa Anita #9, post time: 6:30 p.m. EST LAS FLORES S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Wine On Tap 🖛	Tapit	MKW Racing	Mandella	Smith	120
2	Anywho 🛪	Bolt d'Oro	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Berrios	120
3	Richi (Chi)	Practical Joke	Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings and Stud Vendaval	Baffert	Kimura	124
4	Pushiness	Kantharos	Repole Stable	McCarthy	Rispoli	122
5	Don't Bring Crazy 🛷	Maximus Mischief	Great Friends Stables and Mark Davis	O'Neill	Fresu	122
6	Pleasant	Munnings	Juddmonte	Baffert	Hernandez	120
7	Irish Wahine	Grazen	GMT Racing Stables	Barocio	Frey	120

Breeders: 1-Aaron & Marie Jones LLC, 2-Brookfield Stud, 3-Haras Paso Nevado, 4-Richard Barton Enterprises, 5-Mullikin Thoroughbreds, 6-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 7-Moger Inc. & Neary Racing Inc.





IN ORDER OF PURSE:

FIRST STAKES WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

WAIT FOR IT S., \$100,000, Parx Racing, 12-30, (S), 2yo, 7f, 1:28.43, sy.

1--FENTON FOREVER, 120, c, 2, by Pat On the Back

1st Dam: Fairy Gray, by Cat Thief

2nd Dam: Smokin' Stephanie, by Smoke Glacken

3rd Dam: Frolic Away, by Pentelicus

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Wynter Racing Stable; B-Desmond C. Wynter (PA); T-J. Tyler Servis; J-Kendrick Carmouche. \$56,400. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$80,400. *First black-type winner for freshman sire (by Congrats).

- 2--Reelin N Dealin, 119, g, 2, Pat On the Back--Fringe Benefits, by Cape Blanco (Ire). (\$20,000 2yo '24 EASMAY). O-Quint Essential Stables LLC; B-Barbara Rickline & Gabe Rispo (PA); T-J. Tyler Servis. \$18,800.
- 3--Ballad of Warrior, 120, g, 2, Warrior's Reward--Song Memory, by Unbridled's Song. O/B-Warrior's Reward LLC (PA); T-Brandon L. Kulp. \$9,400.

Margins: 3 3/4, HF, 1. Odds: 2.40, 6.80, 1.00.

Also Ran: Cool Million, Good Friday Man, L Golden Boy, Sams After Party, Dr. Lou.

Fenton Forever, who went wire-to-wire to take his 1 1/16-mile debut against state-bred foes at Parx Nov. 18, made it two-for-two with another front-running victory in the Wait for It Stakes Monday. Cutting back to seven furlongs for this effort, the chestnut colt rushed up from his rail draw to take the early advantage over the sloppy going. He was in control through a quarter in :23.28 and a half in :47.01, skipped further away off the turn and sailed home an unchallenged winner.

Fairy Gray produced a full-sister to the winner this year. Click for Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

TODAY'S FEATURED REPLAY



Harrigan (Medaglia d'Oro) debuts a winner at Parx Monday.

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MISS BEHAVIOUR S., \$100,000, Parx Racing, 12-30, (S), 2yo, f, 7f, 1:30.24, sy.

1--HONORABLE WIN, 125, f, 2, by Winchill

1st Dam: Honorable Partner, by Congressionalhonor 2nd Dam: Tuff Partners, by Partner's Hero

3rd Dam: Tj's Tuff as Nails, by Bates Motel

O/B-Pewter Stable (PA); T-Kathleen A. Demasi; J-Eliseo Ruiz. \$56,400. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$131,600.

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- 2--**Joyful Joyce**, 119, f, 2, Uptowncharlybrown--Joyce's Angel, by Afleet Alex. **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O/B-Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC (PA); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr. \$18,800.
- 3--Double Airo, 120, f, 2, Airoforce--Double Axel, by Orb. (\$3,000 Wlg '22 FTIDEC). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Eric A. Rizer; B-PA Stallions, LLC (PA); T-W. Robert Bailes. \$9,400.

Margins: 4 3/4, 1 1/4, 5. Odds: 3.90, 37.80, 0.70.

Also Ran: Carousel Queen, Up N Runnin, Angel of Hope, Little Cocoa Bean, Tudox Dahlia. Scratched: Vivi Rose.

Honorable Win, a debut winner in the Miss Blue Tye Dye Stakes at Parx Sept. 21, was making her first start since finishing second over the synthetic surface at Presque Isle Downs in the Oct. 14 Finest City Stakes. The gray filly was outfooted and settled well off a four-way battle on the front end through an opening quarter in :22.51. She improved her position along the rail on the turn as the half went up in :46.26, tipped out a path at the top of the lane and inhaled favored Double Airo in upper stretch before sailing clear to win under wraps.

Honorable Partner, who sold for \$1,000 at the Inglis Digital USA sale in July, has a yearling full-brother and a weanling full-sister to the winner. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



Honorable Win | *Equi-Photo*

PARX FUTURE STARS FILLY DIVISION S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 12-30, 2yo, f, 7f, 1:27.18, sy.

1--HOLLYWOOD BEAUTY, 120, f, 2, by Honor A. P.

1st Dam: America's Friend (SW, \$284,244), by Unusual Heat
2nd Dam: Bel Air Belle, by Runaway Groom
3rd Dam: Progressive Lady, by Crafty Prospector
(\$30,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$8,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT). 1ST BLACK
TYPE WIN. O-Albert R Lupcho, Jr.; B-M Auerbach, LLC &
Catherine Parke (KY); T-Marya K. Montoya; J-Mychel J.
Sanchez. \$43,800. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$94,750. *1/2 to
America's Tale (Gio Ponti), GSW, \$405,853. **Second
black-type winner for freshman sire (by Honor Code).

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2--Beyond Belief, 120, f, 2, Goldencents--Abracadabra, by Speightstown. (\$17,000 Ylg '23 FTIDEC). O-All East Stables LLC; B-James F. Thames (KY); T-Edward J. Coletti, Jr. \$14,600.



3--Volleyballprincess, 120, f, 2, Mo Town--Prom Dress, by Stephen Got Even. (\$14,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$14,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$17,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Bran Jam Stable and Clark, David W.; B-Frank Batten (NC); T-Louis C. Linder, Jr. \$7,300.

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Margins: 8 1/4, 3/4, 3 3/4. Odds: 15.20, 2.40, 3.50. Also Ran: Tip Line, Alyvia Mavis, Belle Bottoms, Maximus Angelicus. Scratched: Majestic Jo, Not Too Late.



Hollywood Beauty | *Equi-Photo*

Hollywood Beauty, a debut winner over the Parx oval in June, was third in the Aug. 24 Sorority Stakes at Monmouth Park and was coming off a well-beaten fifth-place effort in the one-mile White Clay Creek Stakes at Delaware Park Oct. 9 for trainer Jacinto Solis. The 15-1 outsider was hustled out to the early lead

and skipped along over the sloppy going through fractions of :23.29 and :46.94.

She shrugged off a challenge from Beyond Belief entering the stretch and bound home an easy winner.

America's Friend, a full-sister to Grade I-placed Bel Air Sizzle, has a yearling filly by Independence Hall. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

PARX FUTURE STARS S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 12-30, 2yo, 7f, 1:28.01. sv.

1--GLOBAL STEVE, 120, c, 2, by Bucchero
1st Dam: A Rosefor Isabelle, by Hard Spun
2nd Dam: Uzume, by Unbridled's Song
3rd Dam: Passion Flower, by Deputy Minister
(\$60,000 2yo '24 EASMAY). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Cash is
King LLC & LC Racing LLC; B-Lance Colwell (FL); T-Robert E.
Reid, Jr.; J-Mychel J. Sanchez. \$43,800. Lifetime Record:
2-2-0-0, \$73,800. *1/2 to Cagliostro (Upstart), SW & MGSP,
\$506,668.

- 2--**Crab Daddy**, 124, g, 2, Uncle Lino--So Innocent, by Blame. O/B-Brian C. Schartz (PA); T-Linda L. Albert. \$14,600.
- 3--Alchemism, 120, g, 2, Kobe's Back--Enchanted Evening, by First Defence. (\$5,000 Ylg '23 EASOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-A and J Racing Stable LLC; B-William E. Riddle (PA); T-David Dotolo. \$7,300.

Margins: 1HF, NK, 6 1/4. Odds: 1.90, 4.40, 20.10. Also Ran: Gun Trader, Baby Dukes, Fire Pit, Right Wing Runner. Scratched: Mission First, National Law, Robert's Moon.



Global Steve | Equi-Photo

Global Steve, who debuted with a 6 1/2-length victory over this track and trip Nov. 25, was squeezed back at the break and angled to the rail while settling at the back of the field. With clear run along the rail, the chestnut colt rushed up into contention entering the far turn. He took a narrow lead approaching the straight and splashed clear despite drifting in and out down the lane.

A Rosefor Isabelle has a weanling filly by City of Light and was bred back to Upstart, the sire of her multiple graded-placed son Cagliostro. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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9th-Santa Anita, \$62,000, (S), Msw, 12-29, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:09.60, fm, 2 1/4 lengths.

TAKE ANOTHER CARD (f, 2, I'll Have Another--You Missed It {GSP, \$106,860}, by Lookin At Lucky), sent off at 4-1, was away slowly, but rushed up to midpack down the backstretch. Within striking distance entering the far turn, she powered to the lead at midstretch and strode clear to a 2 1/4-length victory. You Missed It produced a filly by Pavel in 2023 and a colt by that sire in 2024. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000. O/B-Reddam Racing, LLC (CA); T-Simon Callaghan.

3rd-Parx Racing, \$50,800, Msw, 12-30, 2yo, 7f, 1:28.58, sy, 5 1/4 lengths.

HARRIGAN (c, 2, Medaglia d'Oro--Saucy Dame, by Distorted **Humor)**, a 7-2 shot, was steadied early, but improved his position along the rail into the far turn. He was tipped out three wide approaching the stretch and surged to the lead inside the final furlong before striding clear to the wire to graduate by 5 1/4 lengths. We Miss Neil (Goldencents) was second. After RNA'ing for \$47,000 at Keeneland last September, Harrigan sold for \$130,000 at this year's OBS April sale. Saucy Dame, purchased for \$32,000 at the 2023 Keeneland November sale, has a yearling colt by Nyquist who sold for \$135,000 at the Fasig-Tipton October sale. The mare, a daughter of Storm Beauty (Storm Cat) and from the family of champion Gold Beauty (Mr. Prospector), was bred to Doppelganger this spring. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,000. O-Nick Sanna Stables LLC; B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Michael V. Pino.



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Saturday's Results:

2nd-Kyoto, ¥**10,480,000** *(\$66,758)*, Maiden, 2yo, 1800m, 1:53.8, ft.

MEISHO AINA (c, 2, Game Winner--Lilacs and Lilies, by Bodemeister) was a useful fourth going this distance at Kyoto Dec. 7 and was lightly regarded at 16-1 to get it right second time around. Soon in front from gate six, the bay was firmly in front entering the first turn and lobbed them along going well within himself down the backstretch. Confronted in earnest by favored Takeru Hurlock (Jpn) (Nadal) at the top of the lane, Meisho Aina stuck on gamely inside and went on to prevail by a half-length. The 14th winner for his freshman sire (by Candy Ride (Arg)), Meisho Aina is out of a half-sister to GI Ashland Stakes winner Lilacs and Lace (Flower Alley), the dam of Japanese 2-year-old filly and four-time Group 1 winner Lucky Lilac (Jpn) (Orfevre {Jpn}). Lilacs and Lilies is the dam of a weanling filly by Yaupon and is due to Volatile for 2025. Sales history: \$45,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$42,171.

O-Yoshio Matsumoto; B-Judy Hicks & Kathryn Nikkel (KY); T-Hiroshi Kawachi.



IN SOUTH KOREA:

Mighty Sweet, f, 2, **Bucchero**--Awesome Sunrize, by Awesome Again. Seoul, 12-28, Hcp. (C4), 1200m. B-Casey Seaman (IN). *1ST-TIME STARTER. **Won by eight lengths. ***\$47,000 2yo '24 OBSJUN. **VIDEO**

Satang Sonyeo, f, 2, Girvin--Midnight Candy, by Midnight Lute. Seoul, 12-28, Hcp. (C4), 1700m. B-Richard B Bennett Jr & Michael Majeski (FL). *\$44,000 RNA Ylg '23 OBSOCT; \$27,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. VIDEO

Magic Potion, g, 3, Competitive Edge--A Bit Of Pressure (MSP, \$177,427), by High Yield. Seoul, 12-29, Hcp. (C4), 1200m.

B-Burton Johnson (KY). *\$7,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$40,000 2yo '23 FTMMAY. **1/2 to Classic Rock (Maclean's Music), GSW, \$236,357. VIDEO



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Maximus Mischief (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$25,000 232 foals of racing age/92 winners/10 black-type winners 9-Parx Racing, 3:41 p.m. EST, \$75K Mrs. Claus S., 7f, Irish Maxima, 3-1

\$65,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$50,000 EAS MAY 2yo 8-Parx Racing, 3:14 p.m. EST, \$75K Blitzen S., 7f, Maximus Meridius, 3-1

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$20,000 310 foals of racing age/105 winners/5 black-type winners 9-Parx Racing, 3:41 p.m. EST, \$75K Mrs. Claus S., 7f, Cap Classique, 4-1

\$110,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$145,000 EAS MAY 2yo





ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-Turf Paradise, \$28,000, (S), 12-30, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.70, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

POP D'ORO (g, 4, Bolt d'Oro--Just Like Pop, by Unbridled's Song) Lifetime Record: 18-3-1-3, \$79,724. O-Charles Garvey; B-H & E Ranch (AZ); T-Robertino Diodoro. *\$40,000 Ylg '21 ARZNOV.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ourdaydreaminggirl, f, 2, Instagrand--Itsinthestars, by Astrology. Parx Racing, 12-30, 7f, 1:29.17. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$48,500. B-Pippa's Hurricane (KY). *\$50,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$50,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. **22nd winner for freshman sire (by Into Mischief).

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Bolt d'Oro, Pop d'Oro, g, 4, o/o Just Like Pop, by Unbridled's Song. ALW, 12-30, Turf Paradise

Bucchero, Global Steve, c, 2, o/o A Rosefor Isabelle, by Hard Spun. Parx Future Stars S., 12-30, Parx Racing

Honor A. P., Hollywood Beauty, f, 2, o/o America's Friend, by Unusual Heat. Parx Future Stars Filly Division S., 12-30, Parx Racing

I'll Have Another, Take Another Card, f, 2, o/o You Missed It, by Lookin At Lucky. MSW, 12-29, Santa Anita

Instagrand, Ourdaydreaminggirl, f, 2, o/o Itsinthestars, by Astrology. MSW, 12-30, Parx Racing

Medaglia d'Oro, Harrigan, c, 2, o/o Saucy Dame, by Distorted Humor. MSW, 12-30, Parx Racing

Pat On the Back, Fenton Forever, c, 2, o/o Fairy Gray, by Cat Thief. Wait For It S., 12-30, Parx Racing

Winchill, Honorable Win, f, 2, o/o Honorable Partner, by Congressionalhonor. Miss Behaviour S., 12-30, Parx Racing



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Camelot is the champion sire in France and led the European table

Coolmare

By Emma Berry

Camelot (GB), sire of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Bluestocking (GB), is the champion sire in France for 2024 as well as being the leading stallion in Europe.

He also had the third home in the Arc, Los Angeles (Ire), who earlier in the season had landed the Irish Derby. Bluestocking's top-level wins in 2024 included the Pretty Polly Stakes and Prix Vermeille, while Camelot's durable son Luxembourg (Ire), who has recently retired to Castle Hyde Stud, added a fourth Group 1 win to his tally in the Coronation Cup at Epsom.

Among Camelot's other major winners in France were OTI Racing's Sevenna's Knight, whose three group victories included the G2 Prix Vicomtesse Vigier, and the Wertheimer-bred Pensee Du Jour (Ire), winner of the G2 Prix Corrida. The stallion's total earnings in France were just over €5 million.

Second in the French table was another 2,000 Guineas and Derby winner, Sea The Stars (Ire), whose leading runner in the country was the well-bred Sosie (Ire), winner of the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G2 Prix Niel.

Lope De Vega (Ire), who provided two of this year's French Classic winners in last-gasp Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Rouhiya (Fr) and Prix du Jockey Club winner Look De Vega (Fr), took third in the championship, just ahead of the leading sire domestically in France, Siyouni (Fr).

The remarkable Mqse De Sevigne (Ire) kept the flag flying for the Haras de Bonneval resident, with her wins in the G1 Prix Rothschild and G1 Prix Jean Romanet being a repeat performance of her double strike in Deauville the previous summer.

Wootton Bassett (GB) may have left France four years ago but his legacy continues in the country where he made his name, and he was fifth in the sires' table, separating Siyouni from his fellow Aga Khan Studs stallion Zarak (Fr). The latter, a son of Dubawi (Ire) and the brilliant Zarkava (Fr), is the real rising star of the French ranks.

Earlier this month a 1/50th share in the stallion was sold for €800,000 during an Arqana online sale. Zarak's first Classic winner came this year when Metropolitan won the Poule d'Essai des Poulains. He is now ensconced at Haras d'Etreham. G2 Prix d'Harcourt winner Zarakem (Fr) has recently joined Ciaron Maher's stable in Australia with a plan in place for him to return to France to join the Etreham ranks at the conclusion of his racing career.

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INTO MISCHIEF HAS A BOLD MISSION FOR 2025

Chris McGrath recaps the 2024 general sires' championship, won for the sixth consecutive year by Spendthrift's Into Mischief.



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4 | MAKE BELIEVE LEADS THE WAY IN ITALY

Irish-based stallions dominated the Italian sires' championship in 2024, with the Ballylinch Stud resident Make Believe (GB) leading the way, largely thanks to his unbeaten juvenile daughter Klaynn (Ire).

6 | MEHMAS COLT MAINTAINS UNBEATEN RECORD

Pure Legend (Fr) looked a smart juvenile when making it two from two with an effortless success at Chantilly on Monday.

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On the subject of Haras d'Etreham, two of their younger members are making notable inroads in the stallion ranks. **City Light (Fr)**, by Siyouni, was the leading first-season sire of 2023 and he has backed up that early good impression with an eleventh place finish in the general sires' table in France. He was actually eighth overall by number of winners (42) from just two crops of racing age, including the G3 Prix Miesque winner Mimos (Fr) and six other stakes performers.

The champion first-crop sire title returns to Etreham for 2024 and has been won by the dual Group 1-winning sprinter **Hello Youmzain (Fr)**, an increasingly useful looking son of Kodiac (GB). His 13 winners in France (from 33 runners) put him one ahead of **Wooded (Fr)**, Haras de Bouquetot's similarly fast son of Wootton Bassett. In total, Hello Youmzain was represented by 21 winners across Europe, which put him in fourth position in that particular table, behind Sergei Prokofiev, Pinatubo (Ire) and Mohaather (GB). He has sired two Group 3 winners to date-Electrolyte (Ire) and Misunderstood (Fr)--along with two other stakes performers.

In third among the French freshmen is Etreham's **Persian King** (Ire), while another Bouquetot resident, **Romanised** (Ire) was fourth. The latter, a son of Holy Roman Emperor (Ire) who won the Irish 2,000 Guineas and Prix Jacques le Marois for Ken Condon, has sired nine winners to date.

You can take the boy out of Germany...

Sea The Moon (Ger), winner of the G1 Deutsches Derby ten years ago, may never have stood in Germany but he continues to make his presence felt in his native country. The Lanwades stallion is the German champion sire once more, having also won the title in 2023 after siring the winners of the both the Deutsches Derby and the Preis der Diana (in which he also had the first three home). He was also Germany's leading first-season sire of 2018.

The Derby winner of 2023, Fantastic Moon (Ger), continued to be Sea The Moon's leading earner this year, adding the G1 Grosser Preis von Baden to his Classic success, and he now joins the stallion ranks himself at Gestut Ebbesloh.

Fantastic Moon is not the only son of Sea The Moon to be retiring to stud in Germany in 2025 as Assistent (Ger), winner of the G1 Grosser Preis von Bayern, returns to Gestut Rottgen, where he was bred, with an impressive seven stakes wins to his credit from 23 starts for Henk Grewe.

This year's Deutsches Derby winner Palladium (Ger), also trained by Grewe, was sold at the Arqana Arc Sale in October for €1.4 million and has now joined Nicky Henderson's stable with a jumping career ahead of him. Whether he will be sent hurdling as an entire remains to be seen, but he helped his sire Gleneagles (Ire) to second place in the German stallion table. Cont. p4



4 CONSECUTIVE GROUP 1 WINS IN JUST 68 DAYS!

60 mares in foal despite a much delayed start to the season

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The range of the Coolmore sire's offspring was highlighted when Mill Stream (Ire) won the G1 July Cup over six furlongs, and it is worth reflecting that Gleneagles also had the runner-up in the Derby, Ambiente Friendly (Ire).

Incidentally, Palladium's Classic victory also ensured that his breeder Gestut Fahrhof will be crowned champion breeder in Germany this year.

In third and fourth in the German sires' table were the late Adlerflug (Ger), whose son Goliath (Ger) ensured that his name was still in lights across Europe by winning the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot, and Soldier Hollow (GB), who died in May and was also represented by a British Group 1 winner in Tamfana (Ger).

Make Believe Leads the Way in Italy

Irish-based stallions dominated the Italian sires' championship in 2024, with Ballylinch Stud's **Make Believe (GB)** leading the way, largely thanks to his unbeaten juvenile daughter Klaynn (Ire). Trained by Endo Botti and bred by Massimo Parri's Allevamento Le Gi, Klaynn's three victories included the G2 Premio Dormello and Listed Premio Repubbliche Marinare Trofeo. Make Believe's trio of stakes winners in Italy this year was completed by G2 Premio Gran Criterium winner Lazio (Ger) and the Listed winner Fast Spirit (Ire).

The Parri family also bred the leading scorer for the runner-up in the table, **Sioux Nation**. The three-year-old Sioux Life (ITY), who, like Klaynn, is trained by Endo Botti and is out of a mare by Rip Van Winkle (Ire), completed an excellent October for the Tuscan-based Le Gi when winning the G2 Premio Lydia Tesio and G3 Premio Verziere Memorial Aldo Cirla. She has also won three Listed races across the last two seasons. **Cont. p5**





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The G2 Derby Italiano winner Borna (Fr), who was later runner-up in the G1 Deutsches Derby, ensured third place in the Italian table for his sire Saxon Warrior (Jpn).

Among the first-season sires in Italy, the exquisitely bred **Mount Everest (Ire)**, by Galileo (Ire) out of Six Perfections (Fr), has made a positive start from his base at Azienda Agricola Luciani and is the country's leading freshman sire with seven winners from 13 runners.

Behind him in the table is Starfield Stud's **Far Above (Ire)**, whose two Listed winners, Kabir (Ire) and the Group 2-placed Nigrum Regina (Ire), have both struck in Italy.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Tuesday, December 31, 2024:

UNITED KINGDOM

Circus Maximus (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), Coolmore Stud 49 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 12:14-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, **Saidha (GB)** 18,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022

Far Above (Ire) (Farhh {GB}), Starfield Stud 83 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners 12:14-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, Straighttothepoint (Ire) €7,000 RNA Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2023; £8,925 Tattersalls September Online Sale 2024 12:14-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, This Farh (GB)

Kameko (Kitten's Joy), Tweenhills Stud 87 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners 12:44-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, Apple's Angel (Ire) €10,000 RNA Goffs November Foal Sale 2022; €15,000 RNA Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2023; £27,300 Tattersalls Online June Sale 2024

River Boyne (Ire) (Dandy Man {Ire}), Tara Stud 30 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners 12:14-LINGFIELD PARK, 7f, Spinning Dancer (Ire) €1,000 RNA Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2023

Sergei Prokofiev (Scat Daddy), Whitsbury Manor Stud
121 foals of racing age/28 winners/2 black-type winners
12:44-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, Early Release (GB)
£19,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023; 1,500gns
Tattersalls Autumn Horses-in-Training Sale 2024
12:44-LINGFIELD PARK, 6f, Flicka's Girl (GB)
22,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2022; £32,000 Goffs
UK Premier Yearling Sale 2023



Sergei Prokofiev | Whitsbury Manor Stud

BRITAIN

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Wolverhampton, £7,300, Nov, 12-30, 3-5yo, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:30.54, st.

GRABAJABBA (GB) (c, 3, Sogann {Fr}--Poppy Bond {GB}, by Misu Bond {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$10,477. O/B-North Cheshire Trading & Storage Ltd (GB); T-Michael Appleby.

FRANCE

Monday's Results:

2nd-Chantilly, €**34,000, Cond**, 12-30, 2yo, 8f (AWT), 1:37.85, st. PURE LEGEND (FR) (c, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Golden Legend {Fr} {MGSW-Fr & GISP-Can, \$297,906}, by Doctor Dino {Fr}), who delivered a 6 1/2-length success over this course and distance in his Dec. 12 debut last time, accepted a tow in second after the initial exchanges of this return. Tanking to the front approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 1-5 favourite was not for catching thereafter and lengthened clear in the closing stages to easily outclass Beau Gars (Fr) (Hello Youmzain (Fr)) by an untroubled four lengths. Pure Legend is the second foal and scorer produced by dual Group 3-winning GI E P Taylor Stakes runnerup Golden Legend (Fr) (Doctor Dino (Fr)), herself the leading performer out of G3 Prix Vanteaux third Gold Harvest (Fr) (Kaldounevees {Fr}). The February-foaled homebred bay is a half-sister to G3 Prix de Conde third Gold Index (Ire) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}) and a yearling colt by Telecaster (GB). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, €32,000.

O-Mme Antonia Devin; B-Mme Antonia Devin & Mme Victoria Devin (FR); T-Henri-Francois Devin.

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