

'IT'S THE HORSES THAT MAKE IT': RAE GUEST REFLECTS ON 60 YEARS IN RACING



Rae Guest alongside his dual G1 winner *Serious Attitude*
 Emma Berry

By Emma Berry

After a stormy first day of 2025, Newmarket Heath was bathed in frost-speckled sunlight by January 2, but local trainer Rae Guest is now setting his sights on sunlit uplands of a different kind.

This he is doing in his usual quiet way, to the extent that his decision to call time on his training career took even some of his longest-standing owners by surprise when he contacted them prior to making an official announcement in December. The prophetic victory, two days after the news broke, of his filly *Sunlit Uplands* (Ire) (Sands Of Mali {Fr}) was no coincidence.

"We named her that on purpose," says Rachel Flynn, the trainer's wife of 26 years, with a laugh. "It was a bit of fun really as we started to think about Rae finishing."

With trainer Jack Jones having bought their Chestnut Tree Stables, Guest and Flynn will remain in situ in their house alongside the yard in the short term. Guest will continue to train a few horses from one of the barns there until his licence expires in May.

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DERBY WINNER SERPENTINE RETIRED FROM RACING IN AUSTRALIA

The 2020 Derby winner *Serpentine* (Ire) has been retired from racing, part-owner Nick Williams confirmed to *Racing.com* on Thursday.

The son of Galileo (Ire) was a 25-1 shot when providing trainer Aidan O'Brien with a record eighth Derby win, having gained his first career victory in a maiden at the Curragh only seven days earlier. His pillar-to-post success at Epsom, when beating *Khalifa Sat* (Ire) (Free Eagle {Ire}) by five and a half lengths, was also achieved in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, causing the Classic to be run behind closed doors for the first time in its history.

Serpentine failed to add to his tally in five further starts for O'Brien and the Coolmore partners, before being gelded after his sale to continue his racing career in Australia. He won three races during his time down under, including last year's G3 Neville Selwood Stakes when in the care of Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, having initially been trained by Robert Hickmott.

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*The 2020 Derby, won by the newly-retired **Serpentine (Ire)** (**Galileo {Ire}**), was the first in the race's history to be run behind closed doors due to the Covid-19 pandemic |*

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San Donato (Ire) (*Lope De Vega {Ire}*) and *Tuz (Oxbow)* will attempt to repeat their 2024 wins in the G2 Zabeel Mile and G3 Dubawi Stakes, respectively.

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First Ambition (GB) (*Invincible Spirit {Ire}*), the first foal out of the multiple Group 1 winner *Laurens (Fr)* (*Siyouni {Fr}*), made a winning debut at Newcastle on Thursday.

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Now 74, Guest has certainly not fallen out of love with the game. Indeed, he is reluctant to leave his beloved Newmarket, which has been his home for longer than his 35 years as a trainer, which followed a successful and peripatetic riding career.

"I don't want to go anywhere else," he says. "Rachel would be happy to go to the country somewhere. I wouldn't go anywhere too far away. We are trying to find somewhere to have a house with some paddocks, but that's difficult around here. We'll keep looking."

Horse racing, with all its colourful history, attracts its share of braggarts and bluffers, to whom Guest provides a perfect counterbalance. Simply, it is impossible not to like this man who has made his mark as both a trainer and a jockey, and whose air of almost apologetic reserve has perhaps meant that his contribution has not been fully acknowledged.

A childhood interrupted by three years in hospital with serious bronchial issues meant that Guest's formal education was also disturbed. The fact that he had been born into a family with deep racing roots would almost certainly have led him down his current path anyway, but he left school at 15 to be apprenticed to Sir Gordon Richards, where his uncle, Nelson Guest, was one of the stable jockeys, second in line to Scobie Breasley.

"My uncle used to ride all the work, and then we had work riders who used to come in on a Wednesday and a Saturday, and my dad was one of them. I'd already been there on work experience, which it wasn't called in those days, but I'd been there for my school holidays. Gordon Richards retired after I'd been there two, three years or so, and I'd had a couple of rides for him, finished second at Ascot in an apprentice race, but he didn't used to give apprentices many rides."

As Richards was retiring, Nelson Guest had been offered a job riding and training in Denmark and encouraged his nephew, who was on the brink of switching to become a jump jockey like his dad and another uncle, Joe, to give the Flat another chance in Scandinavia.

"He's been my mentor, I suppose they'd say these days, but he was that more than my dad was. Your son's hard to teach, I suppose. It's easier for somebody from the outside, and Nelson used to take me off to the races and riding out with him," says Guest of his uncle. Rae's grandfather had been stud groom for George Lambton in Newmarket and his three sons all followed him into the business. Rae's late father Charlie also went on to train, and a generation later, Rae's brother Richard followed the same path and won the Grand National in 2001 aboard Red Marauder (GB) before setting up as National Hunt trainer. Rae and Richard's four sisters Jane, Sally, Joanne and Rita have all also been involved in the racing world in different ways. Sally,

The image is a promotional graphic for the Bahrain Turf Series. At the top is the Bahrain Turf Club logo, which features a red shield with a white 'B' and a yellow horse silhouette, with the word 'BAHRAIN' above it and 'TURF SERIES' below it. Below the logo, the text reads 'SERIES CONTINUES' in white, followed by 'Friday 3rd' in a large, stylized yellow font. Underneath that, it says 'JANUARY 2025' and '2 X BTS RACES' in white. At the bottom, it says 'TO FIND OUT MORE, GO TO:' followed by the website 'bahrainturfclub.com' in a bold white font. At the very bottom, there are two circular logos: the Bahrain Turf Club logo on the left and the Bahrain Turf Club logo on the right.

who was married to Paul Eddery and then Jeremy Nosedá, was one of the leading lady amateur riders of the day and a key work rider for Sir Michael Stoute. Jane, now Lady Jane Cecil, became a Group 1-winning trainer when taking over at Warren Place upon the death of her husband, Sir Henry Cecil. Her son James McEwen is now a trainer in India.

Indian racing played a key role in the early years of Guest's career, but it was in Scandinavia where he first tasted significant success. He says of his uncle's job offer all those years ago, "I was only 18 and it sounded a good idea. Scandinavia, in those days, had everything, a good way of living. I know it sounds ridiculous now but they had central heating in every house."

Guest's initial frustration at being unable to race-ride in Denmark because of a restriction on the number of jockey licences was short-lived when the unexpected departure of the former champion apprentice Brian Henry meant that Guest was given his licence.

The winners soon came his way and they included victory in the Svenskt Kriterium aboard Highlight (Swe) for the Rausing family's Simontorp Stud. Fifth-generation descendants of Sweden's champion two-year-old filly of 1974 are still associated with Guest's yard 50 years later, with Kirsten Rausing having been a loyal and longstanding supporter of the trainer, who speaks of the owner of Lanwades Stud in glowing terms. **Cont. p4**

6-TIME GR.1 WINNER

GROUP 1-WINNING 2YO

- 1st *Futurity Trophy Stakes-Gr.1*, 1m, Doncaster, by 3½ lengths
- 1st *Champions Juvenile Stakes-Gr.2*, 1m, Leopardstown
- 1st *Maiden*, 7f, Naas, earning a TDN Rising Star

FOUR-TIME GROUP 1 WINNER AS A 3YO

- 1st *Derby-Gr.1*, 1m4f, Epsom, defeating King Of Steel
- 1st *Irish Derby-Gr.1*, 1m4f, Curragh
- 1st *Irish Champion Stakes-Gr.1*, 1m2f, Leopardstown
- 1st *Breeders' Cup Turf-Gr.1*, 1m4f, Santa Anita

ROYAL ASCOT HERO AS A 4YO

- 1st *Prince Of Wales's Stakes-Gr.1*, 1m2f, Royal Ascot



AUGUSTE RODIN

By Japanese sire sensation **DEEP IMPACT**. His first two dams **RHODODENDRON** and **HALFWAY TO HEAVEN** were both multiple Group 1 winners over a mile while his speedy third dam **CASSANDRA GO** won the King's Stand Stakes.

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A teenage Rae Guest riding at Klampenborg in Denmark

Rae Guest cont.

"We added it up the other week and I rode 17 Classic winners abroad," says Guest who rode Triple Crown winners in Scandinavia and India, as well as in Holland for his father.

"I was asked the other day about whether it was easy to start training. It wasn't easy but I had worked very closely with trainers, because in Scandinavia and India, you're riding weekends, so all week you're working with your trainers. And they all liked your input, and you had to know where things were going and build up the horse's career, if you like."

Such strategising was also a feature of Guest's later association with Luca Cumani on his return to England. When recounting his life in racing, Guest frequently refers to the role fate and luck have played while modestly overlooking his own hard work involved in riding top horses and becoming a multiple Group 1-winning trainer himself.

"It was great. I loved it. When you're 74, you're wishing to be 21 again with all those things that you've done," he says.

Fate did intervene as Guest was thinking that he may have made a mistake in attempting to continue his riding career in England. Just as he was considering returning to Denmark, he bumped into an old friend in Newmarket High Street who alerted him to a vacancy at Cumani's Bedford House Stables.

"As luck would have it, again, Luca had World Leader, who was a very hard horse to ride. So, I ended up riding him, and I got on well with him," Guest recalls. "He won some good races, and then he was third in the Leger and then me and Luca got into a good working relationship. I know I didn't ride hundreds of winners, but I rode some great horses. And I rode in Derbys, Oaks, loads of Group 1s, all things that if I'd been riding 30 or 40 winners a year at that time, I wouldn't be getting on those sort of horses."

Those good horses included Tolomeo (Ire), on whom Guest finished third in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes behind Sadler's Wells and Teenoso, and Old Country (GB) when second to Rainbow Quest in the G1 Coronation Cup.

Struggles with his weight and the appearance of Ray Cochrane as stable jockey to ride the newly arrived Aga Khan's horses at Cumani's yard prompted Guest to start planning his next move. "They wanted Ray Cochrane, which was fair enough, but I didn't lose out. I rode nearly the most winners in my last season or two anyway. I think 42 was my best season when the champion jockey at the time only rode 100 or so winners. It was two meetings a day, most days," he says.

"I got on well with Ray and we had a good relationship, but then along came a little apprentice called Dettori. I was in my thirties and getting fed up with losing weight. I had a small yard, and I used to take a few horses for Luca and other people so I thought, 'Well I've got 12 horses and I can just enjoy training them.' That's how I started."

The Group 1 jockey became a Group 1 trainer within months of the switch when Aldbourne (Ire) (Alzao) lined up for the 1,000 Guineas of 1989.

"She was a good two-year-old and they kept moving her about. Anyway, she ended up with me in January and she finished third in the English Guineas, second in the Irish Guineas and was our first Listed winner, so she gave us a good start," he says. "Then we had [four-time group winner] Millyant, all within three years. And then everyone said I trained fillies. But I suppose our four Group 1 wins have all been with fillies."

A rare break in the domination of fillies in Guest's yard came with Mirza (GB) ([Oasis Dream {GB}](#)), but then he was a son of Millyant and, extraordinarily, won the G3 Prix de Petit Couvert twice, just as his mother had done. [Cont. p5](#)



Guest with David Probert in the colours of long-term patron Kirsten Rausing | [Racingfotos.com](#)



The trainer celebrating with Listed win of Divina Grace with his uncle, Nelson Guest, right | Emma Berry

Rae Guest cont.

"Nobody ever seems to pick up on that except me," Guest notes. "I think it's an amazing statistic. It never got the headlines but I'm not that bothered about headlines."

There were plenty of headlines, however, for My Emma (GB) (Marju {Ire}), the Lord Mathews homebred who landed Guest with his first Group 1 win in the Prix Vermeille and followed up in the next year's G1 Yorkshire Oaks, with Whitewater Affair (GB) and Reams Of Verse among those finishing behind her. Guest also trained her daughter, Moments Of Joy (GB) (Darshaan {GB}), to win the Listed Gladness Stakes.

The Mtoto (GB) filly Serious Attitude (Ire) would put his name back in lights in 2008 when winning the G1 Cheveley Park Stakes and adding the G3 Summer Stakes to her tally at three before finishing off her career with victory in the G1 Nearctic Stakes at Woodbine as a four-year-old. Later that year she was sold to Shadai Farm for \$1.85 million at Keeneland. Serious Attitude's progeny in Japan include the G2 Sankei Sho All Comers winner and G1 Tenno Sho runner-up Stiffelio (Jpn) (Stay Gold {Jpn}).

Most recently, Divina Grace (GB) (Golden Horn {GB}) added her name to the list of Guest's stakes winners when winning the Listed Chalice Stakes at Newmarket in August. The trainer's uncle Nelson, now 92, was there to share in the celebrations with him.

With the 60-year anniversary of his starting out as a teenaged apprentice looming, how does Guest view today's racing industry in comparison to that of the 1960s?

"I'm not going to say anything bad about racing because I love racing and it has been good to me," he says simply. "And, I mean, we can all say what we don't like about it, but I think what I like is the way I started off with trainers who took their

time and had plans for their horses. Like Luca--every horse had a career path, if possible. Now, I think they just run them because there's a race.

"I like the way Ralph Beckett trains, and Andrew Balding. Divina Grace is going to Andrew. And I think they, in the world they're in now, do take their time and bring the horses on more gradually, and hopefully there will be more trainers like that."

He continues, "It's the horses that make it. We wouldn't be talking here now if it wasn't for horses. They're what my life has been about really. There's a story with every horse. It's not always just the best ones either, it could be the one that you just know is trying really hard to give you their best."

Guest plainly has appreciated the horses he has been associated with through the years, and they were fortunate to have ended up in his care. For, like them, he has been trying really hard to give them his best. Job done.

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RACE PREVIEWS

RETURNING WINNERS SAN DONATO AND TUZ TAKE CENTRE STAGE AT MEYDAN

The G2 Zabeel Mile Sponsored by Phi Advertising is the official feature on Friday's 'Sword Of Honour' raceday at Meydan, with last year's winner **San Donato (Ire)** (Lope De Vega {Ire}) featuring in a nine-strong field as he tries to emulate Safety Check (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), the only previous dual winner of the race in 2015 and 2016.

Successful in 2024 when trained by Doug Watson, the nine-year-old San Donato is now with Michael Costa and shaped with plenty of encouragement on his first start for the stable when filling the runner-up spot in the Listed Business Bay Challenge.

"We're really happy with him," said Costa. "We ran him first up thinking he would be too short [on fitness], but we wanted to give his coat a wriggle on. He has come on nicely and will keep getting better with the increase in distance. It looks a firmer race than last year, but the horse is a happy horse."

Safety Check's trainer Charlie Appleby is responsible for both **Ottoman Fleet (GB)** (*Sea The Stars* {Ire}) and **Noble Dynasty (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}) as he seeks a record-extending seventh win in the race, while Lucia Botti saddles **Royal Dubai (Fr)** (Seahenge), last seen finishing third in the G2 Al Rashidiya.

"Royal Dubai looks fantastic after his impressive Group 2 performance," said Botti. "It's a short break between two very competitive races, but he's honest and ready for the challenge."



Tuz | Erika Rasmussen

Tuz Primed for Dubawi Defence

The other Group race on the card is the G3 Dubawi Stakes Sponsored by Binghatti Developers in which **Tuz** (Oxbow) is another returning champion. His trainer Bhupat Seemar is seeking a third consecutive win in the race, having also struck with Switzerland (Speightstown) in 2023.

Tuz returned from over eight months on the sidelines with an emphatic victory in the Listed Garhoud Sprint, beating the reopposing **Colour Up (Ire)** (Mehmas {Ire}) by five and three-quarter lengths.

"Tuz is one of the fastest horses in the world and is in good form," Seemar said of last year's G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen winner. "He's his usual self so all is good with him."

Tuz's rivals include **Desperate Hero (GB)** (Captain Gerrard {Ire}), who makes his dirt debut for Salem Bin Ghadayer, having won six of his 24 starts when trained in Britain by Jack Channon.

"Desperate Hero has had just one gallop since he came," said Bin Ghadayer. "He performed well on soft and firm ground in Europe and I'm really happy about him. He's a nice horse and he could develop to become one of the good sprinters here."

"This weekend's race is just a starting point for him, as it's a tough field with a super champion [Tuz] in there. But he will be a very nice horse, especially over five furlongs."

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ROCKET RODNEY BIDS TO REPEAT 2024 WIN AS BAHRAIN TURF SERIES CONTINUES

The \$80,000 Al Riffa Cup and \$80,000 Al Dana Cup will both offer plenty of international interest as the Bahrain Turf Series continues with round two on Friday.

On the opening day of the Bahrain Turf Series, George Scott saddled two winners and a second in the supporting races on the card. Now, the Newmarket trainer is hoping **Rocket Rodney (GB)** (Dandy Man {Ire}) can repeat his 2024 win in Friday's Al Riffa Cup, round two in the sprint division.

"Rocket Rodney helped kick start my career again back in 2022," said Scott. "He was the first horse His Highness Shaikh Nasser had with me and it is lovely to have the horse back competing in the Bahrain Turf Series. He seemed to like the track last year. He won here and ran very well on other occasions. He also ran some good races in the UK last summer and I think he's handicapped to be really competitive again in Bahrain."

Rocket Rodney is one of 18 runners scheduled to go to post for the Al Riffa Cup, while the Al Dana Cup, the second round in the middle-distance division of the Bahrain Turf Series, has attracted a field of 15.

They include the first four horses from the Al Muharraq Cup on the opening day. The first Irish-trained winner in Bahrain when landing that contest for Gavin Cromwell, **Snellen (Ire)** (Expert Eye {GB}) lines up from an 8lb higher mark as she tries to uphold the form with the placed horses, headed by Jack Channon's former Cambridgeshire winner **Majestic (Ire)** (Conduit {Ire}).

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

First Ambition (GB), c, 4, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Laurens (Fr) (MG1SW-Eng & Fr, G1SW-Ire, \$2,306,909), by **Siyouni (Fr)**. Newcastle, 1-2, 7f 14y (AWT), 1:27.86. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$4,934. B-Coverdale Stud (GB). *42,000gns 3yo '24 TATGBU.

FRANCE

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ready (Fr), g, 3, **Chachnak (Fr)**--Red Love, by Gone West. Marseille-Pont de Vivaux, 1-2, 10f (AWT), 2:12.59. B-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois (FR). *€110,000 RNA Ylg '23 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Red Libe (Fr) (Sageburg {Ire}), SW-Fr, \$113,195.

Marmara (GB), f, 3, **Golden Horn (GB)**--Flourishing (GB), by Exceed And Excel (Aus). Pau, 1-2, 8f (AWT), 1:37.80. B-G Wilding (GB). *12,000gns Wlg '22 TATFOA.

Gustan (Fr), g, 3, **Gutaifan (Ire)**--Silly Lady (Fr), by Linggari (Ire). Pau, 1-2, 8f (AWT), 1:38.30. B-Mme Pascale Papon & Mme Delphine Guillemin (FR).



EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN QATAR:

Surfers Paradise (Ire), g, 4, **Ten Sovereigns (Ire)**--Roselita (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Al Rayyan, 1-2, Novice, 1400mT. B-Whisperview Trading Ltd. *1/2 to Asking (Ire) (Zoffany {Ire}), MGSP-Ire; and Visualisation (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), GSW-Ire, \$242,805. **62,000gns HRA '23 TATJUL. **VIDEO (SC 10)**

Garden Route (Ire), g, 5, **Galileo (Ire)**--Cloth of Cloud (SAf) (Ch. 2yo Filly & GISW-SAf), by Captain Al (SAf). Al Rayyan, 1-2, Hcp., 2100mT. B-Barronstown Stud. *First start in Qatar. **30,000gns HRA '23 TATAUT. **VIDEO (SC 9)**

Bolthole (Ire), h, 6, **Free Eagle (Ire)**--Weekend Getaway (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). Al Rayyan, 1-2, Cond., 2100mT. B-Patrick M Ryan. *Hwt. Older Horse-Qat at 9.5-11f & 11-14f, SW-Qat, MSW & MGSP-Fr. **€12,000 Ylg '20 GOFFEB; 19,000gns RNA Ylg '20 TATOCT; 130,000gns HRA '22 TATAUT. **VIDEO (SC 3)**

IN SAUDI ARABIA:

Azna (Ire), c, 4, **Shalaa (Ire)**--Jamaayel (GB) (SP-Ire), by Shamardal. King Abdulaziz, 1-2, Maiden, 1400m. B-RJB Bloodstock Ltd. *20,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT. **VIDEO**

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| 3 | 3 | Desperate Hero (GB) | Captain Gerrard (Ire) | Pinheiro | bin Ghadayer | 125 |
| 4 | 1 | Eastern World (Ire) | Dubawi (Ire) | Beasley | bin Harmash | 125 |
| 5 | 5 | Rawy | Frosted | Tudhope | Watson | 125 |
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KENTUCKY SIRES FOR 2025, PART 5: THE 20-SOMETHINGS



Hard Spun | Darley

by Chris McGrath

This tier of the market, between \$20,000 and \$29,999, offers particular value through its more established names: horses that have walked the walk sufficiently to clear the basement level, while somehow failing to achieve due commercial prestige. Indeed, our podium is dominated by the two eldest of the eligible stallions, while the only candidates considered for the third step were all in the process of consolidating strong starts.

That said, the case for the three young sires at the other end of the spectrum--whose first foals are about to slither into a world of hope--clearly remains 100 percent unaltered from this time last year. Yet those controlling ringside investment have such an infantile attention span that **ARABIAN LION** has been slashed from \$30,000 to \$20,000 after welcoming 178 mares in his debut book! You'd have thought that a son of **Justify** fast enough to clock a 109 Beyer in the GI Woody Stephens would be on pretty solid commercial ground, especially one boasting Personal Ensign as third dam. But his farm is expert in maintaining the pipeline into the "bubble" stage, and any breeders who might resent such immediate depreciation used him knowing exactly how the system works.

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BILL NADER Q&A PART 2: 40 HHR MACHINES "SOFT LAUNCH FOR PLACE THIS BIG" by Dan Ross

The New Year marks a brave new world for California racing, with one circuit largely consolidated in the South.

On New Year's morning, the *TDN* sat down with Bill Nader, president and CEO of the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC), to discuss this new landscape. In part one, Nader shared, among other things, how simulcasting monies redirected from the North could benefit tracks and purses in the South to the tune of \$20 million annually.

Here in part two, Nader discusses expectations about horse inventory, impacts on California's breeders, and Historic Horse Racing. The following has been edited for brevity and clarity.

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RAE GUEST REFLECTS ON 60 YEARS IN RACING

In conversation with Emma Berry, Rae Guest looks back over his 60 years as a jockey and trainer, having recently announced his decision to call time on his training career.

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| | Blame | \$25,000 | Runhappy | \$7,500 |
| | Bright Future | \$12,500 | Silver State | \$15,000 |
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Kentucky sires, cont. from p1

Actually there's a strong case for saying that the credentials of **MAGE** have indeed changed since he covered 171 mares last spring, even though nobody has seen one of his foals. That's because of a spectacular boost to his page from brother Dornoch, who's meanwhile starting out at of \$40,000. That's quite a premium for the same genes, when you recall the raw talent that puts **Mage** into a club otherwise comprising only **Justify** and **Apollo**.

Also unchanged at \$25,000 is **Up to the Mark**, likewise fully subscribed (by the commendably restrained standards of his farm) at 164 mares. It took rare talent to stretch his mile speed for second in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf, while his granddam throws dirt sprint speed into the mix as GI Test/GII Prioress winner **Capote Belle** (**Capote**).

The preceding class includes the author of perhaps the most controversial book of recent times, **GOLDEN PAL**, whose 293 mares in his debut season felt like quite a pointed gesture so soon after the defeat of the mare cap.

But that's the point about a free market: breeders used him with their eyes wide open. They knew that they would have to stand out from catalogue competition, with 216 live foals in the crop, and also that a turf sprinter has finite appeal. But there are plenty of programs out there making the numbers game pay,

and certainly those who got their Golden Pals to market as weanlings can have no complaints about a \$107,911 average for 34 of 43 sold. His farm has maintained the pipeline by corralling another 209 mares last spring.

CYBERKNIFE, similarly, welcomed back 179 mares last spring following a massive first book of 223. Of 171 live foals, 23 weanlings were sold (30 offered) at \$79,260. Cyberknife, who broke Spend a Buck's 37-year-old track record in the GI Haskell, takes a second trim to \$20,000 (opened at \$30,000). **Cont.**



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Kentucky sires, cont.

JACK CHRISTOPHER, yet another with a monster debut book (247), made a steady start with weanlings conceived at \$45,000--33 of 44 processed at \$104,727--and he's now right down to \$25,000. With 192 live foals in his first crop, and another 168 mares last spring, he's entitled to land running as an unbeaten Grade I winner at two.



Jack Christopher | Sara Gordon

The only stallion in this bracket launching his first juveniles in 2025, **YAUPON**, is another sprinter with an eye-watering debut book. In fact, only **Gun Runner** entertained more than his 242 mares in 2022, and no fewer than 133 yearlings went to market. Of these, 118 found a new home at \$169,830 (\$140,000) off a \$30,000 conception fee, so he's jumped his hoops really slickly. Yaupon duly holds at \$25,000, having maintained traffic through second and third books of 202 and 197. All these numbers attest to his physique, and his commercial momentum appears inexorable for one that hasn't yet put a horse anywhere near a starting gate.

But then you would have said the same, a year ago, of studmate **Authentic**--a Horse of the Year whose first yearlings had been endorsed by all the experts for a \$286,076 average from 91 of 120 sold. There's no point pretending that things went well on the racetrack, however, as his farm acknowledges in halving his fee to \$25,000. **Authentic** mustered a solitary black-type scorer from a class-high 91 juvenile starters, and his second crop scraped a six-figure average off a \$70,000 conception fee. He had himself needed time to get it together, of course, and can absolutely gather momentum with his sophomores.

Conversely **COMPLEXITY** faced his moment of truth with aplomb, blazing a trail in the freshman table until just running out of soldiers, nonetheless holding out for fourth in sharing class highs of five stakes/two graded stakes winners. **Cont.**

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AND HE SURE CAN WALK...

Kentucky sires, cont.

He must tough out a bump in the road, with just 42 live foals in his 2024 crop, but already last spring he was back up to 88 mares as breeders noted his flying start. With his second crop of yearlings advancing their yield to \$104,750, **Complexity**'s fee has deservedly doubled to \$25,000.

GAME WINNER made his single stakes success count in no less a race than the GI Del Mar Futurity, which should help to keep him in the game at \$20,000. He's joined at that fee by **WAR OF WILL**, whose GIII Jimmy Durante Stakes winner Will Then can expect plenty of support from this superbly bred stallion's maturing sophomores.

But these younger guns at a crossroads must knuckle down if they are to emulate two Airdrie sires further down the path.

GIRVIN is set for big things very soon, just needing to ride out a bump with only 40 live foals in his third crop of juveniles, who entered play in 2024. He still mustered another five stakes winners, taking him up to 13 overall at 8.3 percent of named foals. Of course, the big thing with **Girvin** is that he transferred to Kentucky after his strong start and has covered 152 and 138 mares over the last two years. Sure enough, 14 of 22 yearlings sold in 2024 averaged \$105,835--off a conception fee of just \$6,000! That shows what can be done if you breed with belief to "bubble" sires. With his biggest and best books coming on stream, **Girvin** could soon leave his \$25,000 fee well behind.



Girvin | EquiSport

Precisely the same could be said of **UPSTART**, who has now cleared the dip he endured when subsiding to just 27 live foals in 2020. Thanks to the endeavors of Zandon and others, his last three books comprised 151, 153 and 125 mares. That uptick began to tell at the sales, where **Upstart** sold 54 of 66 yearlings at \$67,564 (from \$42,071 in 2023)--again, a bubble sire rewarding those who stuck with him at \$10,000. **Cont.**

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Kentucky sires, cont.

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Bronze: ARMY MULE

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Hill 'n' Dale, \$20,000

On a very similar path to **Girvin**, **Army Mule** also punched way above weight when launching in a brutally competitive intake. His third crop of juveniles, into play last year, comprises 57 live foals and he has depended on mature horses--such as 5-year-old Grade II winner **Federal Judge**--for his recent stakes action. But you get a sense of what's brewing from his latest yearlings, 41 of 51 converting a cover fee of \$7,500 to an average \$75,345.



Army Mule | Sarah Andrew

His 13 stakes winners to date, three at graded level, represent 9.1 percent of named foals. The superstars of his class, **Justify** and **Good Magic**, are getting theirs at 9.3 and 8.8 percent respectively. Sure enough, **Army Mule's** book has soared to 199 and 160 mares over the last two years.

With a significant renewal of racetrack exposure imminent, he has actually taken a trim from \$25,000--but that looks a temporary expedient, until he gets the numbers out there to make himself unmissable.

Silver: BLAME

Arch--Liable, by Seeking the Gold

Claiborne Farm, \$25,000

By now everyone knows **Blame** to be a freakishly precocious broodmare sire. But he's value wearing other hats, too. Okay, so he had a tepid year by his standards, with five stakes winners but none at graded level. **Cont.**

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Kentucky sires, cont.

But that takes him up to 50 overall, at a solid 8 percent of named foals, with 21 graded stakes winners including half a dozen at the elite level. And for a sire at this stage of his career, he's maintaining consistent demand at the sales, his latest yearlings again achieving a yield over \$90,000 (47 sold of 54).



Blame | Sara Gordon

But yes, it's as a distaff influence that he's looking phenomenal. Obviously he doesn't yet have the footprint of older sires (his daughters sent out 180 starters in 2024, against 874 for the late Giant's Causeway) and duly figured no higher than 34th in the broodmare sire table. But 17 stakes winners arrived at an incredible 9.5 percent of starters, eight at graded level--at least double the ratio of every sire above him.

It all stands to reason, like his elite caliber as a runner. The underrated Arch was himself from a noble family, but **Blame** entwines it with one rooted in the great Special as third dam. For anyone who wouldn't mind retaining a filly, especially, **Blame** is a no-brainer.

Gold: HARD SPUN
Danzig--Turkish Tryst, by Turkoman
Darley America, \$25,000

Down from what already looked a steal at \$35,000, despite 140 mares last spring, this fee is just nuts. Here's a top seven active stallion, with a dozen Grade I winners (and 21 Grade I performers) to his name; 89 stakes winners (seven percent of

named foals) including 42 at graded level; and four sons at stud in Kentucky. profile is virtually identical to that of **Street Sense**, who maintains twice this fee; and it's actually only in the percentage of their Grade I winners that another studmate, **Nyquist**, can justify a giddy separation. **Hard Spun** gets his stakes/graded stakes winners at a lifetime clip that measures up to **Munnings**, **Twirling Candy** or **Practical Joke**. And while he didn't muster a Grade I headliner in 2024, he maintained clockwork production of 11 stakes winners (three at graded level). Could there be a better way to prove a mare?

VALUE PODIUM



HARD SPUN
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ARMY MULE
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Above all, like the venerable **War Front**, **Hard Spun** compresses our connection to Danzig. He's a time machine. One of just 28 named foals in Danzig's penultimate crop, he taps directly into seams of gold diluted since by all the thousands of mares wasted on launching mediocre stallions.

The sire of **Hard Spun**'s third dam was foaled during the Second World War. She was a half-sister to one Darby Dan champion in Chateaugay; her daughter, **Hard Spun**'s granddam by Roberto, was half-sister to another in Little Current. Sure, **Hard Spun** is now advancing in years--but what he offers is timeless. **Cont.**

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Bill Nader Q&A, cont. from p1

TDN: So far, it's been a real struggle to fill some of the races restricted to the Northern California horses and horsemen and women. Are you expecting that to be an ongoing struggle?

BN: We'll see. This weekend, we'll see two races [restricted to the Northern horses] on Friday and then two on Sunday. On Sunday for the first time in over a year [for the Northern horsemen and women], you'll see an allowance race with a purse over \$30,000. It was \$26,000 at Pleasanton. Golden Gate had to reduce purses in the first half of 2024. We'll see how that race does.

The closing day of Golden State Racing was Dec. 18. Their last two days of racing, their entry box was full--it was probably their biggest two days in terms of number of horses that participated over their 25-day season.

The landscape has changed quickly, so, for them to fully digest and really understand what was going on, I didn't expect for the first weekend much activity, especially with Dec. 26 being such a blockbuster day.

From here on in, we get into a different pattern where it's more normal. With two races on Friday and two races on Sunday, we're going to look at participation. Our expectation is that would grow hopefully over the next weeks as we really get into 2025.

TDN: Is any consideration being given to expanding the menu of races on offer at Los Alamitos to further cater to the Northern California horse population?

BN: Not at this time. We would need to have a statutory change to do that.

Last weekend, on Saturday and Sunday, there were 23 horses from Pleasanton entered at Los Alamitos. So, it's happening more naturally. Horses are going there and running there.

Santa Anita dropped the bottom [claiming race] to \$5,000. Initially it was \$6,250. And then in consultation with the horsemen up North, the decision was made that the floor should be \$5,000. In fact, one of the races on Friday I believe is a \$5,000 claimer. Again, in consultation with those in the North, the bottom price for a maiden claiming is now \$8,000. That mirrors what it was up North.

With that, it covers a large percentage of the horse population up North at Santa Anita. Los Alamitos can cater to some of the other horses. So, we think we pretty much have blanket coverage at this point. But we'll keep an eye on it and see, you know, with the participation rate. Is it working? Does it make sense for both sides as a win-win proposition?

**Bill Nader** | Horsephotos

TDN: One of the concerns that trainers raised about this new arrangement is the wear and tear on horses traveling up and down the state.

In July of 2023, The Stronach Group outlined a **\$30 million plus investment package** for its SoCal properties--proposals that would be extremely beneficial to horse health and welfare. This included an equine swimming pool, barn improvements and horse exercisers.

Several of these projects were supposed to have been completed by now. **Cont.**

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Bill Nader Q&A, cont.

The synthetic track is obviously done. But what about all the other promised improvements that would greatly benefit your constituents and the horses in general?

BN: I don't know if the swimming pool is still on the table. Obviously, the Tapeta track has been a big benefit.



Pleasanton racing | Vassar Photography

Now with the travel stipends and the relocation allowance, I know there were some discussions with some trainers up North that will be coming down--those are private discussions with Santa Anita. But everything else, I think we're still waiting to see how those plans actually develop, given that everything seems to be changing pretty quickly.

I looked at races today, on Jan. 1 in Hong Kong, and there were 51 horses entered that had been stabled at Conghua [training facility] since their last start in Hong Kong, that were coming down to run. That is on average a 6 1/2-hour trip each way. For those horses and trainers that do that, they have operations in both places. They move from one to the other.

Here, if they come down and stay, and I know this from my time in Hong Kong, doing barn area improvements at Santa Anita becomes a little bit more complicated. To do that work, you need to free up stall space by moving horses. Then there's noise mitigation.

TDN: *At the same time, would you agree with the many horsemen and women here that improvements to the Santa Anita backstretch are desperately overdue?*

BN: That's something we'll have to continue to dial up from a 360 view about what we can do. But the focus now has shifted to, 'how do we cater to the population in the North? How do we

use all resources efficiently and effectively to keep horses in California?'

TDN: *What can you share about plans to introduce Historic Horse Racing machines at California tracks, as a possible alternate source of revenues?*

BN: When we look at 2025, I think where we're going now, I do think there's a great message to get out in that we seem to be moving in the right direction. The single circuit delivers upside to purses, and helps to eliminate all the concerns that we've had over the past several years regarding purse payments, so we can get our financial house in order.

But that still doesn't eliminate the need for the big bang secondary stream of income that would come from something like HHR. That still has to be our top priority. But we're still in the early stages in terms of strategic thinking.

I can't give you specifics as to when, but there would need to be a very layered approach as to what's necessary. For example, I would expect that we would need to go back to the CHRB [California Horse Racing Board] one more time and get another second set of approvals before we could even consider a soft launch.



Hong Kong racing | HKJC

TDN: *What would a soft launch look like?*

BN: Initially, the request was 40 machines, which is a very soft launch for a place this big [Santa Anita]. Really, Santa Anita has done the real work in developing the plan.

TDN: *Do they have buy-in from Tribal entities?*

BN: That's the part that's still missing. **Cont.**

Bill Nader Q&A, cont.

We're a long way off because those discussions really have not entered the stage where I can really give you a good answer. But yes, you would think you would need some kind of an agreement with the Tribes to be able to launch this thing with the certainty that it's sustainable.



Santa Anita all-weather track | Benoit

TDN: *Talking of sustainable, how do you see this one circuit program impacting California breeders?*

BN: If the buy-in is there and the participation is there and the single circuit works. They can come down now and run in restricted races for higher purse money, with cost of stable and training and transport being picked up. So, the value proposition is as enticing as it can possibly be, and that protects the breeding industry. There are still the opportunities in California. If those races don't fill and there's lesser opportunities...

I mean, the ideal situation would be to expand Santa Anita to a four-day week. We've talked about making 15 races a week available to horses in the North. Now, in order to get 15 races to fill at this stage looks like a tall pass. It's early days. But the effort is being made to deliver as many races as possible for the industry.

With the redirect, once we get rid of the purse overpayment, purse money is going to come up. If you look at Santa Anita, and using your scenario where the fairs continue to be in operation, if there's \$6 million more in purse money over a, say, 90-day season, that's a considerable increase to purses. And that will benefit California breeders, too. Everybody sees upside.

TDN: *Finally, what's California racing going to look like when we sit down here in a year's time?*

BN: We will definitely be stronger in 2026 because I think the overpayment at Del Mar will be gone. The overpayment at Santa Anita will be in check. And Los Alamitos as well.

We're going to start reversing that trend that we've experienced over the last three years--we're going to start coming back up. Where we are with that secondary stream of income, I think we will have a much clearer picture of whether it's achievable or not by 2026. To that, I can't give a clear answer.

But I would expect that as you look to Jan. 1, 2026, all three tracks in the South are going to be in a much better position than they were at the start of this year.

TDN: *Will horses still be stabled at Pleasanton in a year's time?*

BN: I don't know. That's a question for Alameda County Fair.

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NYRA AND HISA REACH SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OVER FEE ASSESSMENT METHODS

The New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA) and the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) reached a settlement of their dispute regarding HISA's fee assessment methodology, according to a Thursday press release from NYRA.

As a result of the settlement, NYRA will withdraw from the litigation pending in the Western District of Kentucky and HISA will withdraw the enforcement action initiated against NYRA on Nov. 13, 2024. **Cont.**

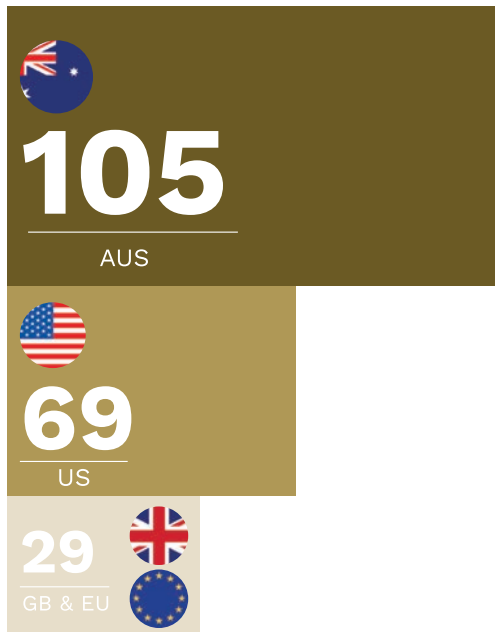


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HISA and NYRA, cont.

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"From the start, NYRA has been an excellent partner to HISA and it is regretful that this financial issue caused a momentary hiccup in the relationship," said HISA Chief Executive Officer Lisa Lazarus. "However, we are delighted to move forward and to resume our strong partnership grounded in the principles of horse welfare and sporting integrity."

In a story reported in the *TDN* Dec. 5, Churchill Downs and NYRA had joined to sue HISA and the Federal Trade Commission in federal court, alleging that both the fee impositions and the attempted enforcement actions for non-payment are "illegal." Prior to that, the two tracks were scheduled to appear at separate enforcement hearings in front of HISA's board to address disputes over their non-payment of assessment fees that are based partially on purses.

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Date: 12/23/2024

Licensee: Eric Reed, trainer

Penalty: 7-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on December 24, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Admission.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Gabapentin--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Lost Bikini, who won at Mahoning Valley on 4/13/24.

Date: 12/20/2024

Licensee: Matt Hebert, trainer

Penalty: 15-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on December 21, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Final decision of HIWU.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a controlled substance (Class C)--in a sample taken from Ranch Badge, who won at Remington Park on 9/5/24.

Date: 12/20/2024

Licensee: Robert Medina, trainer

Penalty: 7-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on December 21, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Admission. **Cont.**



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WEEKLY RULINGS

NATIONAL REGULATORY RULINGS, DEC. 19-JAN. 2

Every week, the *TDN* posts a roundup of the relevant Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA)-related rulings from around the country.

The following rulings were reported on HISA's "rulings" portal and through the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU)'s "pending" and "resolved" cases portals.

Resolved ADMC Violations

Date: 12/23/2024

Licensee: Guillermo Preciado, trainer

Penalty: Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Admission.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Dexamethasone--a controlled substance (Class C)--in a sample taken from Gordy's Boy, who finished third at Pleasanton on 11/1/24.

Weekly Rulings, cont.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Lidocaine--Controlled Medication (Class B)--in a sample taken from Forge in Fire, who won at Turfway Park on 2/21/24.

Date: 12/19/2024

Licensee: Fernando Bahena, trainer

Penalty: 7-day period of Ineligibility for Covered Person, beginning on December 20, 2024; Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$1,000; imposition of 2 Penalty Points. Admission.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Paynt by Letters, who won at Fanduel Sportsbook and Horse Racing on 9/10/24.

Date: 12/19/2024

Licensee: Jonathan Thomas, trainer

Penalty: Disqualification of Covered Horse's Race results, including forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points, and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable); a fine of \$500; imposition of 1.5 Penalty Points. Final decision by internal adjudication panel.

Explainer: Medication violation for the presence of Dexamethasone--Controlled Medication (Class C)--in a sample taken from Mouffy, who won the Perfect Sting Stakes at Aqueduct on 7/4/24.

Pending ADMC Violations

01/02/2025, Robert Gherardi, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Caffeine--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Little Pinch, who finished second at Albuquerque on 10/18/24.

01/02/2025, Darlene Green, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Caffeine--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Lookin at Justice, who finished sixth at Horseshoe Indianapolis on 10/10/24.

12/26/2024, Martin Valdez-Cabral, Jr., trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Dexamethasone--a controlled substance (Class C)--in a sample taken from Sapello Sweetee, who won at Albuquerque on 10/19/24.

12/23/2024, Eric Ramaekers, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Phenylbutazone--a controlled

substance (Class C)--in a sample taken from Hurts So Good, who won at Gulfstream Park on 11/19/24.

12/23/2024, Gary Jackson, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Ipratroprium--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Mywifeknowsital, who won at Gulfstream Park on 10/13/24.

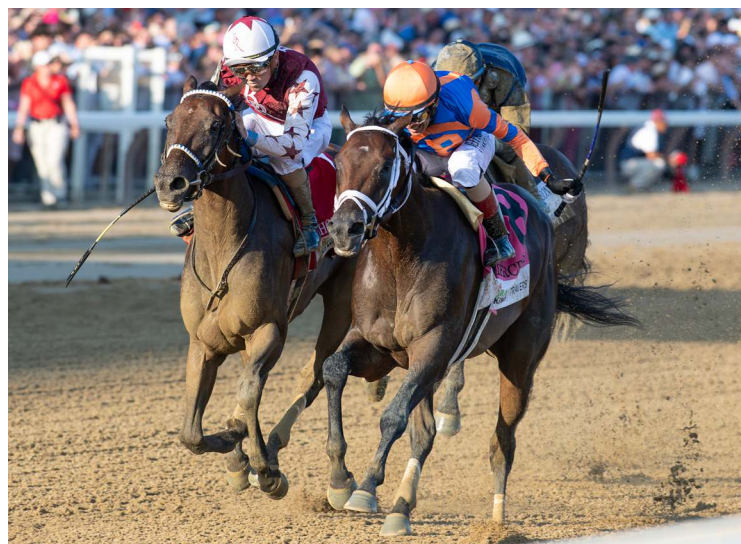
12/20/2024, Juan Munoz Cano, trainer: Pending medication violation for the presence of Clenbuterol--a banned substance permitted in only limited circumstances--in a sample taken from La Bukana, who finished eighth at Churchill Downs on 10/31/24.

12/19/2024, Karen Jacks, trainer: Pending vets' list medication violation for the presence of Acepromazine--a controlled substance (Class B)--in a sample taken from Halmstad on 11/12/24.

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VOTING OPENS FOR FANDUEL-NTRA MOMENT OF THE YEAR



Fierceness holds off Thorpedo Anna in the Travers | Sarah Andrew

Ten events from Thoroughbred racing in North America last year were nominated for the 2024 FanDuel Racing-NTRA Moment of the Year, a distinction determined by fan voting and recognized at the annual Eclipse Awards, according to a press release from the NTRA on Thursday morning. **Cont.**



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Moment of the Year, cont.

Voting is now open on the NTRA website and via X, where every retweet or use of the official hashtag for the moments as presented on the @NTRA account will be counted as one vote.

The FanDuel Racing-NTRA Moment of the Year will be recognized during the 54th annual Resolute Racing Eclipse Awards Presented by John Deere, Keeneland, and The Jockey Club at The Breakers Palm Beach in Florida on Jan. 23.

Fans are permitted to vote for multiple moments, but there is a limit of one vote per moment for each X account. Subsequent votes from an account will be disqualified and the casting of ballots must be received by Jan. 15 at 11:59 p.m. ET.

The eligible 2024 moments were selected to demonstrate the various equine and human achievements, as well as human emotions, exhibited throughout the year. The story of **Cody's Wish** was the recipient last year.

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thirds from 655 starters for earnings of \$7,672,690. Russell ranked eighth in the country in wins and 19th in money won.

Russell's stable star was undoubtedly **Post Time (Frosted)**. Owned by Mrs. Ellen Charles's Hillwood Stable, the 4-year-old won Laurel's GIII General George Stakes, Aqueduct's GII Carter Stakes, and Laurel's Polynesian Stakes. Post Time was never off the board over nine starts in 2024, including runner-up efforts in Saratoga's GI Metropolitan Handicap and Del Mar's GI Big Ass Fans Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, and a third-place performance in Saratoga's GI Whitney Stakes.

Rodriguez captured the leading jockey title with 177 victories at Laurel and Pimlico. The top rider won the Laurel Park winter meet by a 50-to-28 margin over Jeiron Barbosa, defeated Torrealba by a 45-to-34 mark in the summer standings, and outlasted Torrealba to take the fall title 52 to 46. Rodriguez led the Preakness meet at Pimlico by collecting 12 wins.

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RUSSELL REPEATS AS MARYLAND'S LEADING TRAINER, RODRIGUEZ NAMED TOP RIDER AGAIN



Brittany Russell | *Walter Wlodarczyk*

In just her fifth full year of training, Brittany Russell topped the annual standings in Maryland for the second consecutive season, and jockey Jaime Rodriguez also repeated as the state's leading rider, the Maryland Jockey Club said in a release on Tuesday.

In 2023, Russell ended Claudio Gonzalez's six-year reign atop the leaderboard by notching 118 victories at Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course, finishing five ahead of runner-up Jamie Ness.

Last year, Russell earned 113 victories at Laurel and Pimlico, 16 more than runner-up Ness.

Nationwide, she registered 157 wins, 104 seconds, and 89

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2024 Leading Fifth-Crop Sires by Black-Type Winners

Year-to-Date - Standing NA - Worldwide Earnings - NH Foals

| Rank | Stallion | BTW | BTH | GSW | GSH | G1SW | G1SH | Starters | Wnrs | Highest Earner | Earnings |
|------|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Not This Time (2014) by Giant's Causeway | 17 | 34 | 9 | 18 | 2 | 4 | 231 | 126 | \$1,802,000 Fee: 175,000 | \$13,018,604 Cogburn |
| 2 | Nyquist (2013) by Uncle Mo | 11 | 21 | 6 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 248 | 118 | \$1,622,700 Fee: 175,000 | \$11,933,369 Immersive |
| 3 | Frosted (2012) by Tapit | 9 | 23 | 3 | 9 | -- | 1 | 273 | 132 | \$975,000 Fee: 15,000 | \$9,367,676 Post Time |
| 4 | Upstart (2012) by Flatter | 9 | 13 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | 136 | 74 | \$326,840 Fee: 25,000 | \$4,637,070 Cagliostro |
| 5 | Runhappy (2012) by Super Saver | 5 | 12 | -- | 5 | -- | 1 | 181 | 103 | \$582,380 Fee: 7,500 | \$7,265,877 Happy Is a Choice |
| 6 | Uncle Lino (2013) by Uncle Mo | 4 | 7 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 116 | 61 | \$145,606 Fee: 4,000 | \$3,467,310 Maggie's Girl |
| 7 | Marking (2012) by Bernardini | 3 | 10 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 68 | 38 | \$219,588 Fee: 7,500 | \$2,739,772 Marking Canyon |
| 8 | Social Inclusion (2011) by Pioneerof the Nile | 3 | 5 | 1 | 2 | -- | 1 | 56 | 37 | \$257,100 Fee: Private | \$2,239,352 Uncle Heavy |
| 9 | Juba (2011) by Tapit | 3 | 10 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 71 | 41 | \$219,592 Fee: 1,500 | \$2,088,253 Jubawithatwist |
| 10 | Reload (2009) by Hard Spun | 2 | 7 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 88 | 51 | \$364,262 Fee: 5,000 | \$2,737,251 Patches O'Houlihan |
| 11 | Brody's Cause (2013) by Giant's Causeway | 2 | 4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 116 | 44 | \$175,890 Fee: 3,500 | \$2,282,036 Holly Dolly |
| 12 | Tamarkuz (2010) by Speightstown | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | 64 | 35 | \$592,500 Fee: 4,000 | \$2,074,089 Two Rivers Over |
| 13 | Holy Boss (2012) by Street Boss | 2 | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 70 | 30 | \$173,360 Fee: 2,500 | \$1,949,520 Sacred Thunder |
| 14 | Exaggerator (2013) by Curlin | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | -- | 1 | 176 | 98 | \$1,498,800 Fee: 5,000 | \$5,222,209 Skippylongstocking |
| 15 | War Dancer (2010) by War Front | 1 | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 81 | 37 | \$213,500 Fee: 7,500 | \$2,439,496 Twenty Six Black |

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Saturday, Santa Anita #5, post time: 4:30 p.m. EST

SAN VICENTE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 7f

| 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 🍀 | Practical Joke | SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Stonestreet Stable, Dianne Bashor, Determined Stable, Robert E. Masterson, Tom Ryan, Waves Edge Capital, and Catherine Donovan | Baffert | Smith | 120 |
| 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, Three Chimneys Farm & West Point Thoroughbreds | McCarthy | Rispoli | 124 |

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.



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VIOLENCE COLT SAND DEVIL DUSTS RIVALS, BECOMES A NEW 'TDN RISING STAR'

by Alan Carasso



Sand Devil | Chelsea Durand

Bet down from a 4-5 morning line to jump at 35 cents on the dollar in a first-level state-bred allowance at Aqueduct Thursday afternoon, Chester Broman's **Sand Devil (c, 3, Violence--Mineralogist, by Mineshaft)** ran up the score through the final furlong and a half en route to 'TDN Rising Star' honors.

Having graduated by four solid lengths on six-furlong debut Dec. 8--an effort awarded a field-best 82 Beyer Speed Figure--the homebred drew the inside gate in a field scratched down to five and showed enough speed to hold a spot at the inside through an opening couple of furlongs in :22.90. Jose Lezcano was intent on maintaining that foothold at the fence, and asked Sand Devil to slide up the rail and, though he appeared somewhat reluctant to do so, took the field into the far turn.

Smilensaycheese (Solomini), the 2-1 second choice off a third to divisional heavy Sacrosanct (**Honest Mischieff**) in the New York Stallion Series Stakes over seven panels Dec. 14, was poised three wide if the favorite faltered, but no missteps were taken, as Sand Devil quickly opened up on his rivals in upper stretch and won off as miles the best despite being eased right down in the final sixteenth of a mile.

The Bromans acquired Sand Devil's third dam, the dual-surface Grade I winner Antespand, for \$900,000 from the dispersal of Jack Kent Cooke at Keeneland in April 1997 and from her bred 2004 GI Florida Derby winner Friends Lake (A.P. Indy) in addition to Grade II winner Seeking the Ante. The latter and her daughters helped fortify the family, as Seeking the Ante's six winners from six to race included MSP Risk a Chance (A.P. Indy), the dam of 2022 GII Rebel Stakes victor Un Ojo (Laoban) and the

dams of SW/MGSP Fingal's Cave (Carpe Diem) and Hejazi (Bernardini), who topped the 2022 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic 2YO Sale on Zedan Racing's bid of \$3.55 million before placing twice at Grade I level.

A half-brother to Can You Diggitt (Tiznow), SW, \$436,555, Sand Devil is also kin to the dam of three-time New York-bred stakes winner Acoustic Ave (**Maclean's Music**). Barren for 2023 and 2024, four-time stakes winner Mineralogist was most recently bred to **Solomini**.

Violence, whose sire **Medaglia d'Oro** produced the Bromans' GI Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint upsetter Bar of Gold, is now represented by nine 'TDN Rising Stars'.

NEW TDN RISING STAR

2nd-Aqueduct, \$73,720, (S), Alw (NW1\$X), Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-2, 3yo, 1m, 1:36.91, ft, 12 1/2 lengths.

SAND DEVIL, c, 3, by Violence

1st Dam: Mineralogist (MSW, \$270,550), by Mineshaft

2nd Dam: Seeking the Ante, by Seeking the Gold

3rd Dam: Antespand, by Spend a Buck

Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$83,050. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV](#). [Click for the free EquineLine.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

O-Chester Broman Sr; B-Chester & Mary R Broman (NY); T-Linda Rice.

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FRIDAY INSIGHTS: WELL-RELATED

CONSTITUTION COLT DEBUTS GOING LONG

2nd-AQU, \$80k, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/8m, post time: 1:10 p.m. ET

CHOWSER (Constitution), a \$200,000 purchase out of the 2023 Keeneland September Sale, carries the silks of Richard Santulli's Colts Neck Stables in this trip to the races. A late April foal, the chestnut is a full-brother to 2021 GIII Oklahoma Derby winner and GI Santa Anita Handicap runner-up Warrant and a half to GII Barbara Fritchie Stakes heroine Ms Locust Point (**Dialed In**), each of whom won their maiden at second asking over six furlongs. The colt's dam Whisper Number (**First Samurai**), who passed away in 2024, is a half-sister to GSP Speightful Affair (Speightstown), the dam of the popular 11-time stakes winner and Grade III-placed New York-bred Mr Buff (Friend or Foe) and a pair of additional stakes performers.

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Chowser is a full-brother to GSW/GISP Warrant (pic) | Sarah Andrew

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8th-Gulfstream, \$73,260, Alw (C), Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 1-2, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.23, ft, head.

AUTUMN EVENING (f, 4, Malibu Moon--Lucky Long, by Lookin At Lucky), two-for-three while under the care of Rick Dutrow, Jr. last year. was fourth in the GIII Prioress Stakes in her first start for this barn last August. An allowance winner going a mile at Aqueduct Nov. 10, the back was a latest third in the Garland of Roses Stakes Dec. 8. Never far from the front while wide on the course in a field scratched down to just four, the \$135,000 OBS April breezer raced three deep on the turn, came out for the drive and outfinished the comebacking MGSP Dazzling Blue (Into Mischief) by a head. The winner has a yearling half-brother by Mitole and his dam was covered by Omaha Beach last term. Sales history: \$135,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: SP, 8-4-0-1, \$234,670. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-P and G Stable; B-Stoneriggs Farm (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher.

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5th-Fair Grounds, \$60,000, Alw (NW2\$X), Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 1-2, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09.61, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

JUSTIQUE (m, 5, Justify--Grazie Mille, by Bernardini), named a 'TDN Rising Star' on debut for John Shirreffs, was a stakes winner and Grade II placed back in 2022 and added a pair of graded placings on the main track as a sophomore before a switch to the grass. Despite not getting her picture taken in eight tries over the surface, the \$725,000 KEESEP yearling hit the board in the GIII Megahertz Stakes and GIII Royal Heroine Stakes and was last seen finishing sixth in the Osunitas Stakes last July. Among a handful of this owner's horses sent to Cherie DeVaux, Justique was the 4-5 chalk cutting back and returning to the dirt here. Hard held near the tail of this compact field down the back, Justique was given her head and made a menacing move three wide nearing the entrance to the stretch. Roused to the lead with a furlong to race, she drifted out fractionally but had 3 1/4 lengths on her competition at the wire. A half-sister to **Mo Town** (Uncle Mo), GISW, \$519,600, and to the dam of SW West Memorial (Caracaro), Justique is out of a winning half-sister to SW & GSP Jaguar Paw (Giant's Causeway) and SW & MGSP Venetian Mask (Pulpit). The dam of an as-yet unnamed 3-year-old filly by the Gunther-bred **Justify**, Grazie Mille was most recently bred to Into Mischief. Sales history: \$725,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: SW & MGSP, 16-3-2-4, \$282,540. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-C R K Stable LLC; B-John D Gunther & Eurowest Bloodstock (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux.

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**IN ITALY:**

Er Faina, g, 9, **Justin Phillip**--Escape To Victory (GB), by Salse. Napoli, 1-2, Rcl., 1000mT. O-Massimo Scoccione. B-Castleton Lyons (KY). T-Massimo Scoccione. *\$42,000 Ylg '17 FTKFEB; 38,000gns 2yo '18 TATMAY. **1/2 to Benbaun (Ire) (Stravinsky), 2x Hwt. Older Horse-Ire at 5-6f, Hwt. Older Horse-Eng & Fr at 5-7f, G1SW-Fr, MGSW-Ire, G1SP-Eng & HK, GSP-Ity, \$1,495,382; and Captain Colby (Bernstein), SP-Eng, \$179,296. **VIDEO**.

**SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: FRIDAY, JANUARY 3**

2024 Stud Fees Listed

Audible (Into Mischief), WinStar Farm, \$10,000
339 foals of racing age/91 winners/5 black-type winners
5-Santa Anita, 5:02 p.m. EST, Aoc 6fT, Heras Hope, 2-1
\$80,000 FTC AYR yrl
5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/4m, Screaming Mimi, 6-1
\$260,000 KEE SEP yrl

Blue Point (Ire) (Shamardal), Kildangan Stud, \$100,000
404 foals of racing age/130 winners/13 black-type winners
9-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:40 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/16mT, Relative Value (GB), 3-1
87,000gns TAD EWE wnl; 310,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Breaking Lucky (Lookin At Lucky), Blue Star Racing
62 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Sam Houston Race, 8:00 p.m. EST, Aoc 1m, My Lucky Break, 20-1 \$12,000 TTA YRL yrl

Demarchelier (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Claiborne Farm, \$5,000
122 foals of racing age/39 winners/1 black-type winner
5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/4m, Argentinidad, 20-1
\$5,000 KEE SEP yrl

Dorrance (Distorted Humor), No Escape Ranch
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
7-Sam Houston Race, 10:30 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2f, Franny, 4-1
\$9,000 RNA TTA YRL yrl

Flameaway (Scat Daddy), Darby Dan Farm, \$15,000
266 foals of racing age/76 winners/8 black-type winners
5-Charles Town, 9:02 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Super Puncher, 8-5
\$12,000 FTI DEC wnl

Force the Pass (Speightstown), Sau
41 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners
5-Charles Town, 9:02 p.m. EST, Msw 4 1/2f, Easy Pass, 30-1

Leofric (Candy Ride {Arg}), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000
124 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners
8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Nine Part, 7-2
\$30,000 TTA YRL yrl; \$46,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Mitole (Eskendereya), Spendthrift Farm, \$10,000
432 foals of racing age/117 winners/8 black-type winners
7-Sam Houston Race, 10:30 p.m. EST, Msw 5 1/2f, Noble Aware, 3-1 \$65,000 TTA YRL yrl
3-Delta Downs, 6:46 p.m. EST, Msw 5f, Tdz Dancinlilslew, 10-1

Omaha Beach (War Front), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000
442 foals of racing age/78 winners/12 black-type winners
2-Aqueduct, 1:10 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/8m, Daw Samaa, 20-1
\$22,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$25,000 KEE SEP yrl
8-Fair Grounds, 5:15 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Prodigy Paradise, 10-1
\$30,000 FTD MAR 2yo

Pavel (Creative Cause), Ocean Breeze Ranch
44 foals of racing age/10 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Santa Anita, 4:00 p.m. EST, Msw 6fT, Have Patience, 8-1

Preservationist (Arch), Airdrie Stud
131 foals of racing age/44 winners/4 black-type winners
7-Fair Grounds, 4:45 p.m. EST, Alw 5fT, Capers Hooley, 6-1
\$55,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$100,000 KEE SEP yrl

Rogueish (Into Mischief), Solera Farm
53 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Gulfstream, 3:05 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Amalfi Sunset, 7-2
\$40,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$50,000 EAS MAY 2yo

St Patrick's Day (Pioneerof the Nile), Journeyman Stud
109 foals of racing age/29 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Gulfstream, 3:05 p.m. EST, Msw 6 1/2f, Paddy's Gift, 20-1
\$32,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Vino Rosso (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$12,500
 408 foals of racing age/105 winners/5 black-type winners
 8-Oaklawn, 4:52 p.m. EST, Msw 6f, Kerry's Kiss, 12-1
 \$27,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$22,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

World of Trouble (Kantharos), Haras Rio Iguassu, private
 144 foals of racing age/58 winners/1 black-type winner
 8-Tampa Bay Downs, 4:05 p.m. EST, Aoc 6f, Life Is Precious, 4-1
 \$2,500 KEE JAN wnl; \$40,000 OBS OCT yrl

Yoshida (Jpn) (Heart's Cry {Jpn}), Darley Japan
 194 foals of racing age/53 winners/4 black-type winners
 5-Turfway, 7:55 p.m. EST, Msw 1 1/4m, Yolo, 4-1
 \$45,000 KEE NOV wnl



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Aqueduct, \$86,000, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 1-2, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.41, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

ST. BENEDICTS PREP (m, 5, Flatter--Line, by War Front) Lifetime Record: 18-6-4-1, \$384,715. O-Ronald P Stewart; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Linda Rice. *\$75,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP.



7th-Fair Grounds, \$59,000, 1-2, (NW1X), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.78, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

EASY RED (f, 4, Omaha Beach--Blessings Count, by Pulpit) Lifetime Record: SP, 7-3-0-1, \$147,848. O-Double Diamond Farm (Disney); B-Ron Stolich & Matchstalk Investments (KY); T-Eddie Kenneally. *\$40,000 Wlg '21 KEENOV. **1/2 to Minds Eyes (Macho Uno), SP, \$167,504; and Rodaini (Exchange Rate), SW-Eng, SP-UAE, \$323,852.



ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mardi Gras Empire, g, 3, **Classic Empire--Accolady**, by Kitten's Joy. Fair Grounds, 1-2, (S), 7 1/2ft, 1:36.45. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$34,800. B-Angelo & Lou Trosclair (LA). *\$27,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTKOCT.



Mr. Machupicchu, c, 3, **Conquest Farenheit--Missmachupicchu**, by Goldcents. Santa Anita, 1-1, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.78. Lifetime Record: 10-1-3-3, \$83,320. B-Rockingham Ranch (CA). *\$1,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTDAUG; \$5,000 2yo '24 CTBAJA.

Roscoe Pine, c, 3, **Tourist--Charlie's Legacy**, by Indian Charlie. Gulfstream, 1-2, (C), 1mT, 1:36.36. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$25,000. B-Wachtel Stable (KY).

El Megeeth, f, 4, **Constitution--Amour d'Ete**, by Tiznow. Gulfstream, 1-2, 1 3/16m (AWT), 1:54.11. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-2, \$62,770. B-Three Chimneys Farm LLC (KY). *\$750,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. **1/2 to Early Voting (**Gun Runner**), GISW, \$1,372,500.



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Constitution, El Megeeth, f, 4, o/o Amour d'Ete, by Tiznow. MSW, 1-2, Gulfstream

Flatter, St. Benedicts Prep, m, 5, o/o Line, by **War Front**. AOC, 1-2, Aqueduct

Justify, Justique, m, 5, o/o Grazie Mille, by Bernardini. AOC, 1-2, Fair Grounds

Malibu Moon, Autumn Evening, f, 4, o/o Lucky Long, by Lookin At Lucky. AOC, 1-2, Gulfstream

Omaha Beach, Easy Red, f, 4, o/o Blessings Count, by Pulpit. ALW, 1-2, Fair Grounds

Tourist, Roscoe Pine, c, 3, o/o Charlie's Legacy, by Indian Charlie. MCL, 1-2, Gulfstream

Violence, Sand Devil, c, 3, o/o Mineralogist, by **Mineshaft**. AOC, 1-2, Aqueduct