



BELMONT STAKES NOTEBOOK: MCCARTHY FEELS RIGHT AT HOME IN PLETCHER'S BARN



Journalism | Sarah Andrew

by Tim Wilkin

SARATIOGA SPRINGS--One thing trainer Michael McCarthy didn't have to worry about as he planned his trip to Saratoga Race Course was lodging. For his horses, anyway.

When McCarthy shipped GI Belmont Stakes favorite **Journalism** (Curlin) and two other stakes horses to the Spa, he knew right where they were going. That would be the barn of Hall of Fame trainer Todd Pletcher, whom McCarthy worked for as an assistant for nearly 12 years before going out on his own in 2014.

"I was a slow learner," McCarthy said with a laugh.
Pletcher gladly opened the barn door on the Oklahoma
Training Track for his friend. Besides Journalism, McCarthy has
Look Forward (Bolt d'Oro), who is entered in the GI Acorn
Stakes, and Endlessly (Oscar Performance), who will go in the GI
Manhattan Stakes. All the races are on Saturday.

"We have done this before," Pletcher said. "When Locked (Gun Runner) went to the Santa Anita Handicap, we shipped into his barn. He has had horses ship in here other times, and I have had horses in California."

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BREEDING DIGEST: NYSOS HITTING HIGH NOTES OF A FAMILIAR SONG by Chris McGrath

In approaching a Saturday that threatens to restore the Triple Crown viability of the American Thoroughbred--between Journalism (Curlin) here, and a son of Justify at Epsom--it feels timely to consider a horse often viewed as typifying the precarious compromise between size and speed, on the one hand, and soundness on the other.

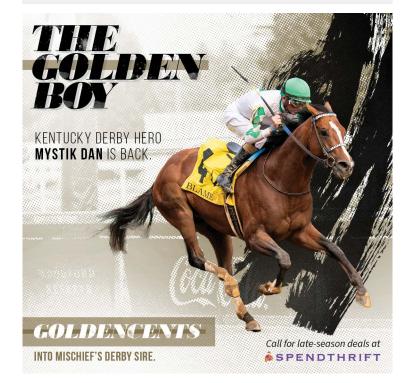
The double-edged reputation of Unbridled's Song traces right back to his own sales history. He was the perfect commercial model for a 2-year-old auction, so big and fast that the Barretts hammer fell at \$1.4 million, back then a record. A dream pinhook (\$200,000 yearling) was derailed, however, when his Japanese purchaser returned the gray with an X-ray query that he felt might prove an ankle chip.

Unbridled's Song showed his brilliance intact in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile and GI Florida Derby, but later had to deal with various issues and retired after injury. **Cont. p6**

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Pletcher's Belmont entrant Uncaged Tuesday morning | Sarah Andrew

Pletcher continued: "We send our staff out there and his staff comes here with his horses. Makes it a lot easier on everyone."

"I am very familiar with those surroundings," McCarthy said of being back in Pletcher's barn. "I spent a couple seasons up here during my tenure with Todd. He has been gracious enough every time we have come to New York to be able to house us."

Accommodations through the Spa City and beyond are pricey

for the public during Belmont week, but Pletcher came up with a special rate for McCarthy's four-legged travel partners.

"Yeah," he said. "Free!"

McCarthy is hoping for better results during this trip to Saratoga.

In the past, he has brought Grade I runners to the Spa with high expectations and left disappointed. City of Light (Quality Road) was second in the GI Forego in 2018; that was McCarthy's first horse he saddled at Saratoga as a head trainer.

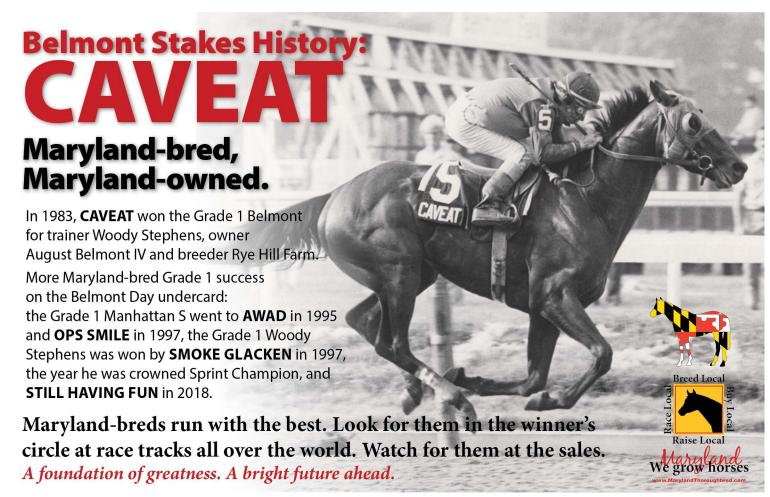
He also brought Ce Ce (Elusive Quality), who was fifth in the GI Ballerina in 2022, and Clearly Unhinged (Into Mischief), second in the GI Test in 2023. According to Equibase, McCarthy has started 11 horses at Saratoga without a winner.

"Hopefully, we will find the winner's circle here, and, hopefully, it will be Saturday," McCarthy said. "This might be the hardest place in America to win at."

Baeza Has A Hall Of Fame Name

If the name of GI Belmont Stakes runner **Baeza** (McKinzie) sounds familiar, it is.

The colt, trained by John Shirreffs, was named in honor of Hall of Fame jockey Braulio Baeza, who won the Belmont three times during his riding career, which started in 1955 and ended in 1976. **Cont.**



Belmont Stakes Notebook, cont.

"Of course he is," Shirreffs said when asked if Baeza the horse was named for Baeza the jockey. "One of his owners, Lee Searing (majority owner, C R K Stable LLC), really likes jockeys. He is a jockey guy."

Grandview Equine shares ownership in the horse.



Baeza at the Spa | Sarah Andrew

Shirreffs is delighted that his stable star has this racing moniker. When Shirreffs was working in New York, he became friendly with Baeza, who was long retired but still wanted to be around the Thoroughbreds.

He and Shirreffs became friendly, and the former rider would walk horses for him when the trainer was spending time at Belmont Park.

"He just wanted to be involved because he loved horses," Shirreffs said. "I really, really enjoyed my time with Braulio Baeza."

Braulio Baeza, who is now 85 years old, had 14 mounts during his career in the Belmont. In 1963, he rode Chateaugay (Swaps) to victories in the Kentucky Derby and Belmont and was second in the Preakness.

Baeza, the horse, comes into the Belmont after finishing third-just a neck behind second-place finisher Journalism--in the Derby.

Before that, he was second in the GI Santa Anita Derby, losing to Journalism by three-quarters of a length. Shirreffs thought enough of Baeza to enter him in the Santa Anita Derby after he broke his maiden in his third try.

He returned to California after the Kentucky Derby and shipped to Saratoga last week. There was not much talk about running him in the GI Preakness.

"I skipped the Preakness mostly because he is a May 13 foal," Shirreffs said. "He is very young, and I trained him very hard for the Santa Anita Derby and the Kentucky Derby was a big, emotional race. Bringing him back in two weeks (for the Preakness) would have been asking too much for a somewhat immature, lightly raced horse."

Brown Coming In Under The Radar This Time

A year ago, trainer Chad Brown had the favorite for the GI Belmont Stakes in **'TDN Rising Star'** Sierra Leone (Gun Runner). He finished third.

Brown is back for this year's Belmont, but 'TDN Rising Star' Hill Road (Quality Road) isn't attracting the same kind of attention that Sierra Leone did.

The winner of the GIII Peter Pan Stakes, who is owned by Amo Racing USA, Hill Road is 10-1 on the Belmont morning line, the fifth choice in the field of eight. *Cont.*

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Brown isn't deterred by that.

He saw enough talent in Hill Road's rallying three-quarters of a

length victory in the 11/8-mile Peter Pan on May 10 to move forward.

"I am going to try [for the upset]," Brown said. "I had the favorite last year, and it didn't work."

Hill Road began his career on the turf for trainer Adrian Murray in Ireland, and, after two starts, came to the United States and switched to dirt in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. After Hill Road finished third, he came to Brown, a five-time Eclipse Award-winning trainer.

Following a third-place finish

in the GIII Tampa Bay Derby, Brown hoped to run the colt in the GII Wood Memorial. A fever scrapped that plan and bounced him off the GI Kentucky Derby trail.

Now, here he is.

"Every month that went by, he continued to move forward and get stronger and get fitter," Brown said. "Right now, I think he is

peaking."

When Brown first started working with Hill Road, one thing he noticed was the horse did not change leads.

"That has always been him," Brown said. "He moves forward pretty good."

It happened in the Peter Pan, but Hill Road still got the job done with a strong kick.

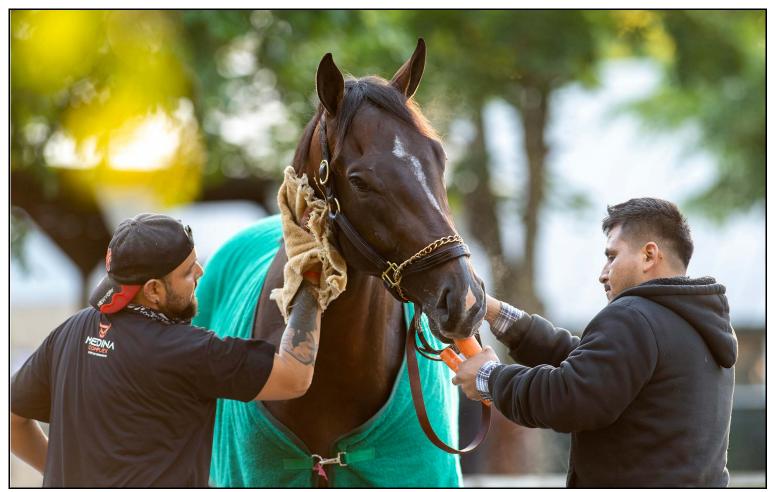
With the Belmont being run at 1 1/4 miles at Saratoga, Brown is confident that could be right in Hill Road's wheelhouse.

"He galloped out big [in the Peter Pan]," Brown said. "The

thing that gives me the most hope with this horse is the distance of the race. But he is not going to have an easier race because he can get the distance. Many in this race can." *Cont.*



Hill Road | Sarah Andrew



Derby winner Sovereignty multitasks by snacking on carrots during a bath after galloping Tuesday morning at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew

Belmont Stakes Notebook, cont.



Belmont contender Rodriguez this week | Sarah Andrew

The last Peter Pan winner to come back and take the Belmont was Arcangelo (Arrogate), who won in 2023 at Belmont Park at 1 1/2 miles.

Antiquarian (Preservationist), the 2024 Peter Pan winner, finished fifth in last year's Belmont.

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Breeding Digest, cont. from p1

At stud, despite anecdotal contention over the vulnerabilities implicit in that regal 17-hand frame, he built up a remarkable legacy.

It seldom pays to generalize about Thoroughbreds but there were certainly examples, including key heirs Arrogate and Liam's Map, where it paid off to give his stock time to build the strength to support their scale. Cross Traffic, indeed, didn't start until four.

All sires have foals that fail to fulfil their potential, for many different reasons, and it was certainly unfair to conflate such painful experiences as those of Buddha or especially Eight Belles. What did become incontestable, and soon, was that Unbridled's Song could replicate his class.

Among the stars of his debut crop was GI Breeders' Cup Distaff winner Unbridled Elaine. Not that he could claim all the credit. Her dam Carols Folly, though one of just 11 foals in her crop by a son of In Reality named Taylor's Falls, had already produced Glitter Woman (Glitterman) to win five graded stakes including the GI Ashland. So when Unbridled Elaine won the Pocahontas Stakes, it was plain that Carols Folly--a stakes winner against Alabama-breds at Birmingham, no less, and sold to the co-breeders of Unbridled Elaine for \$5,700--was packing more genetic prowess than her obscure antecedents might suggest. That fall she was duly recruited, in a private deal, to the

broodmare band then being assembled at Summer Wind Farm.

Elaines were evidently on the mind of the Lyons family! They had already bought Evil Elaine (Medieval Man) on the eve of her son Favorite Trick's success at the 1997 Breeders' Cup, and would actually send that mare to none other than Unbridled's Song for her 2003 cover. Sadly the resulting foal would prove her last--Evil Elaine died soon after delivering a filly named Unenchantedevening--and by tragic coincidence Carols Folly was also lost that same spring. But a happier one is that Unenchantedevening's grandson Citizen Bull (Into Mischief) today shares a barn with a brilliant descendant of Carols Folly.

For last weekend offered a typical snapshot of the huge impact of Unbridled's Song as a broodmare sire. We'll review a couple of other samples shortly, but Unbridled Elaine herself demands our attention as third dam of GIII Triple Bend Stakes winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Nysos (Nyquist).

Unbridled Elaine was cashed out by her owners three years after retirement, to Darley for \$4.4 million at the 2004 Keeneland November Sale. Her yearling daughter by Rahy had made \$260,000 in the same ring that September, but never made the racetrack and proved such a disappointing producer that she was discarded for \$23,000 back at Keeneland 10 years later. She was back a couple of years later, moreover, when a \$7,000 RNA was apparently prelude to a private sale to Texas.

Yet her first recorded foal, the unraced Zetta Z (Bernardini), has since emerged as dam of Nysos. Unfortunately for her vendors, Zetta Z was sold for just \$35,000, less than the value of her Street Sense cover, at the 2021 Keeneland November Sale. Her Nyquist weanling, following her into the ring, brought \$130,000. If his first pinhook cycle (\$150,000 Fasig October) proved less lucrative than his second (\$550,000 OBS, via Best A Luck Farm), his explosive start on the track catapulted Zetta Z's value to \$2 million, a sale record, from Coolmore at Fasig-Tipton in February last year. *Cont.*



Nysos | Benoit

Breeding Digest, cont.

Apparently she had already changed hands once, before that auction, and hers has obviously been a tale of winners and losers. On the face of it, Nysos has flourished from fairly fallow soil, under two mares unraced through the kind of frailties often credited to the sire of the next dam. He has evidently had one or two hold-ups himself, but let's recognize the very fertile terrain behind.

The foals delivered by Unbridled Elaine after her transfer to Darley included triple graded stakes winner Etched (Forestry); G2 Champagne Stakes winner Emotionless (Shamardal); and GIII Sham Stakes winner Out of Bounds (Discreet Cat). Two of Unbridled Elaine's half-sisters, meanwhile, had further confirmed the startling powers inherited from Carols Folly. One produced triple Grade II winner Lead Story (Editor's Note); while Glitter Woman herself gave us GI Suburban Handicap winner Political Force (by Unbridled Elaine's own sire).



Unbridled's Song | *Taylor Made photo*

One way or another, then, the plain record of his first two dams should not leave us too mystified regarding Nysos. Besides this deeper family, after all, the intervening seeding could hardly be more reassuring. His first three dams are by landmark distaff influences: daughters of Bernardini have already passed 100 stakes winners; Rahy's place him in the top four American broodmare sires, with 184; and Unbridled's Song, with 211, is behind only A.P. Indy and Storm Cat.

At stud, Nysos is bound to prove a popular conduit for his deceased grandsire and increasingly costly sire. And any smudging of detail, over the last couple of generations, will matter little against the vigor of those broader brushstrokes.

Another Harmonious Score...

Two other graded stakes winners last weekend evoked the distaff legacy of Unbridled's Song, as sire of their respective

granddams. Curiously, moreover, both are also out of mares by the same sire, namely Giant's Causeway. (A cross best represented by Carpe Diem, albeit more conspicuously on the track than at stud.)

GIII Regret Stakes winner Fionn (Twirling Candy) is the first foal out of Gaelic Gold, who was placed three times among New York-breds in a light turf career. On retirement, she was found at the 2021 Keeneland November Sale by Dixiana Farms for \$275,000. (Fionn, in utero that day, returned to the same ring as a yearling to make \$75,000 from Michael Lea/George Messina.) Gaelic Gold's dam Strike It Rich (Unbridled's Song), who won the GIII Boiling Springs Stakes on turf, has additionally produced hard-knocking Sea Foam (Medaglia d'Oro), whose \$850,000 career included three New York-bred stakes on dirt.

As with Unbridled Elaine, however, we cannot give all the credit to Unbridled's Song. In fact, Strike It Rich's dam Belle of Perintown (Dehere) won the Pocahontas Stakes two years after Unbridled Elaine. And in her second career she further contributed to her own sire's excellent record as a broodmare sire: a daughter by Hennessy produced graded stakes winners Great Stuff (Quality Road) and Coffee in Bed (Curlin); one by Distorted Humor won a couple of stakes and placed at Grade II level; and, most notably perhaps, her son by Liam's Map (himself, of course, by Unbridled's Song) is 'TDN Rising Star' Beau Liam, now recycling his lightning speed at Airdrie.

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The other graded stakes scorer whose dam represents the Giant's Causeway-Unbridled's Song cross was Caitlinhergrtness (Omaha Beach) in the GIII Belle Mahone Stakes. And she, too, draws Dehere into her third generation--this time on top, with her sire famously boasting Dehere's great daughter Take Charge Lady as granddam. *Cont.*



Caitlinhergrtness winning the King's Plate | Michael Burns



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Breeding Digest, cont.

Like Fionn the following year, Caitlinhergrtness was bought in utero with her dam, the unraced Belatrix (Giant's Causeway), for just \$40,000 at the 2020 Keeneland November Sale--even though Belatrix's half-sister Dogtag (War Front) had already won three stakes. Dogtag did better yet the following year, second three times in Grade II company and third in the GI Rodeo Drive, yet Belatrix returned to Keeneland in 2023 to make just \$11,000 from Sean Perl.

Now Belatrix has clearly had her problems, no foal being reported the last couple of years. But the stakes have meanwhile been raised by a Canadian championship for Caitlinhergrtness, winner of the King's Plate last summer before adding a Grade I podium in the Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup.

North of the border, of course, they know all about Unbridled's Song as a distaff brand: Moira (Ghostzapper) herself is out of one of his daughters. Once again, however, there are many other factors in play. Caitlinhergrtness, in fact, is merely confirming continued functionality in one of the best international families of our time. (Belatrix is out of a stakes-placed Unbridled's Song half-sister to none other than Shamardal, with all that entails.)

Tragically Dogtag can no longer contribute to the page, her death having been reported last year--fortunately bequeathing to LNJ Foxwoods a filly by Into Mischief. (Incidentally, don't forget that the War Front-Unbridled's Song cross behind Dogtag nowadays has a gorgeous conduit in Claiborne stallion Annapolis.)

So let's hope that her latest owners can maybe eke one more filly out of Belatrix. She was covered this spring by Loggins, a choice that confirms their astute eye. He's by a noted broodmare sire (Ghostzapper), as is his dam (by Blame)--while his third dam was sired by a critter name of Unbridled's Song.

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THE FIVE FASTEST MAIDENS, PRESENTED BY TAYLOR MADE, FOR THE WEEK OF

MAY 26-JUNE 1 by Randy Moss

Last week, 'Five Fastest Maidens' became six because of a fifth-place tie. This week, only four maidens met our minimum threshold of an 80 Beyer Speed Figure.

4. KAPOOR, CD, 5-31, Race 4, 7 furlongs Beyer Speed Figure: 80

(f, 3, Uncle Mo--Kareena, by Medaglia d'Oro)

O/B-Godolphin; T-Bill Mott; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr.

She was Mott's second promising maiden to graduate on Saturday's strong Churchill Downs card, leading all the way after starting her career with third-place efforts at both Gulfstream and Keeneland. Godolphin bought dam Kareena for \$400,000 from Jane Lyon at Saratoga in 2014, and she showed enough talent in five starts to record Beyer Speed Figures of 98 and 96 and win Belmont's Jersey Girl Stakes in 1:07.87. Kapoor's older half-sister Padma (Tapit) was second in Gulfstream's Cash Run Stakes.

3. EXCITE, CD, 5-31, Race 1, 1 1/8 miles

Beyer Speed Figure: 83

(c, 3, Speightstown--Elate, by Medaglia d'Oro)

O/B-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider (Ky); T-Bill Mott; J-Irad Ortiz, Jr. *Cont.*



Excite | Coady Media

Five Fastest Maidens, cont.

The second foal to race and first winner for Claiborne/ Dilschneider's \$2.6-million earner and Grade I winner Elate, also trained by Mott. After three losses on grass, Excite was switched to dirt against a strong maiden field in the finale on Kentucky Derby day. In that race, he was bounced around early and dropped to last on a sloppy strip, yet came with an encouraging run for fourth at a seven-furlong distance likely shorter than he prefers. This time, he was on the pace and drew off through the lane to win by 5 1/4 lengths.

2. MOR FORCE, LS, 5-30, Race 1, 4 1/2 furlongs **Beyer Speed Figure: 84**

(c, 2, Mor Spirit--Ready Witted, by More Than Ready)

O-Norman Stable; B-Adcock's Red River Farm & Hume Wornall (La); T-Jayde Gelner; J-Ramon Vazquez.

Alabama grocery exec Robby Norman is having a breakout 2025. And like the stable's GII Rebel winner Coal Battle and standout Louisiana-bred filly Secret Faith, this 2-year-old is a product of Louisiana breeders Jay Adcock and Hume Wornall who was plucked out of the Texas Yearling Sale for a modest bid--in this case, \$20,000. Mor Force debuted here with a sharp 5 1/2-length score over Liteupthenite, also owned by Norman. Both are trained by young Jayde (J.J.) Gelner.



Thirty Two Chunk | Benoit

1. THIRTY TWO CHUNK, SA, 6-1, Race 3, 6 furlongs **Beyer Speed Figure: 88**

(g, 3, by More Than Ready--She's My Gem, by Into Mischief) O-Muir Hut Stable; B-Three Chimneys Farm (Ky); T-Mark Glatt; J-Kazushi Kimura.

Named for a massive wild bear with a YouTube following, he was the bear among these maiden claimers. Dropped in for \$50,000 by Glatt and owner Sean Rodgers after an unsuccessful debut on grass, he immediately sped to the front and widened

to win by 8 1/2 lengths in 1:09.71. Perhaps just as importantly, no one filled out a claim slip. The namesake bear "32 Chunk" weighs an estimated 1,200 pounds at age 30, and Glatt estimates that his 3-year-old gelding tips the scales at a comparatively trim 1,100. "But he was chunky as a baby," Glatt said, "and we thought it was a great name."

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BELMONT STAKES RACING FESTIVAL KICKS OFF WITH NEW YORK SHOWCASE DAY

by Steve Sherack

The 2025 Belmont Stakes Racing Festival--held for the second straight year at Saratoga Race Course while the transformation of the new Belmont Park continues--begins with a 10-race program saluting New York-breds on Wednesday.

'New York Showcase Day' will feature six \$200,000 stakes races exclusively for New York-breds--the Bouwerie Stakes, Commentator Stakes, Critical Eye Stakes, Kingston Stakes, Mike Lee Stakes and Mount Vernon Stakes. Morning-line favorites for the six stakes races are as follows: Kay Cup (Instagrand) (Bouwerie) (9-5); Bank Frenzy (Central Banker) (Commentator) (7-5); Sterling Silver (Cupid) (Critical Eye) (1-1); Hush of a Storm (Creative Cause) (Kingston) (2-1); Mo Plex (Complexity) (Mike Lee) (2-1); and Silver Skillet (Liam's Map) (Mount Vernon) (3-1).

"Kicking off this year's Belmont Stakes Racing Festival with New York Showcase Day is a great opportunity for fans and our program participants to experience the quality and talent of New York's breeding and racing industry," New York Thoroughbred Breeders Executive Director Najja Thompson said. Cont.



Sterling Silver training at the Spa earlier this week | Sarah Andrew

Belmont Stakes Racing Festival, cont.

Admission gates open at 11 a.m. with first post scheduled for 12:40 p.m for the GI Beverly R. Steinman Hurdle Handicap over the fences. The first 10,000 fans to enter with paid admission will receive a free, white baseball cap featuring the NYTB and 2025 Belmont Stakes logos.



Future Is Now (middle) winning the 2024 Intercontinental in a wild finish | Sarah Andrew

The Belmont Stakes Racing Festival--featuring 27 stakes races with purses totaling \$11.275 million, led by the 157th renewal of the GI Belmont Stakes--will take place from Wednesday, June 4 through Sunday, June 8.

Graded action gets underway on Thursday's 10-race program with the grassy GII Intercontinental Stakes and GIII Poker Stakes. The Intercontinental includes the GIII Giant's Causeway Stakes re-opposing one-two-three, led by 2024 Intercontinental winner **Future Is Now** (Great Notion).

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ROYAL PALM JUVENILE FILLIES THIRD STRADA DEL SOGNO TOPS FASIG-TIPTON JUNE DIGITAL SALE

Strada Del Sogno (f, 2, Street Boss--Line Up, by Violence), whose only career start to date resulted in a third-place finish last month behind Royal Ascot-bound Lennilu (Leinster) in the Royal Palm Juvenile Fillies Stakes at Gulfstream Park, sold for \$150,000 to top Fasig-Tipton's June Digital Sale Tuesday. Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent consigned the chestnut filly as hip 2. Offered as a horse of racing age from Gulfstream, Strada Del Sogno sold to Elkin Family Racing.

Total receipts for the June Digital Sale included 53 horses sold for \$1,401,500, an average of \$24,587 with a clearance rate of 78%. In addition to horses of racing age, the catalogue also offered racing/broodmare prospects, 2-year-olds in training, broodmares (including mares with foals at foot), and yearlings.

"The top three sold were all horses of racing age, marking the shift from breeding season to racehorses and racing prospects," said Fasig-Tipton Director of Digital Sales Leif Aaron. "It's already been an exciting year in 2025 with six sales on the books and more than 575 head sold so far. The momentum is strong, and the season is just getting started."



Strada Del Sogno | *Courtesy of Fasig-Tipton*

The top three sellers were rounded out by the winning 3-year-old colt Landing Craft (Omaha Beach), who sold as hip 9 for \$130,000 to Lucky Hat Racing from the consignment of Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent; and last week's maiden winner Zandvoort (Good Magic). The latter, consigned as hip 52 by Steve Asmussen, agent, is a 3-year-old colt who sold for \$105,000 to Abubaker Kadoura.

Full results are available online at Fasig-Tipton's site. Fasig-Tipton will next host the July Digital Sale from July 17-22 with entries closing July 7.

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TRAINER-VS.-STEWARD SPAT YIELDS NEW MEXICO SUPREME COURT OPINION ON IMMUNITY IN CERTAIN CIVIL RIGHTS SUITS

by T.D. Thornton

A Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse trainer's argument with a New Mexico state steward in 2021 over a licensing dispute that got escalated all the way up that state's Supreme Court has

resulted in a ruling issued
Monday establishing that New
Mexico's governmental
organizations can be immune
from liability in civil rights
lawsuits if they are carrying out
administrative actions that are
judicial in nature.

According to an opinion issued June 2 by the Supreme Court of New Mexico in a case involving Bradley Bolen vs. the New Mexico Racing Commission (NMRC), the state's Civil Rights Act (CRA) "expressly preserves judicial immunity as a defense. Judicial immunity is justified by public

policies supporting independent decision-making and ensuring the integrity of a judicial or quasi-judicial process. These policies apply to both individuals and governmental entities performing judicial functions."

However, just because the New Mexico Supreme Court ruled that judicial immunity can, in theory, be used as a defense by the racing commission, it didn't rule as to whether that immunity actually applied to the NMRC in this specific instance.

In that respect, the court sent the case back to a district court to decide "whether and to what extent NMRC is immune using the framework set forth in this opinion."

The case began in July 2021, when Bolen got into an argument over the telephone with a NMRC state steward after learning that an assistant trainer whom Bolen wished to employ would not have his license reinstated after a lengthy period of suspension.

The Supreme Court's opinion stated that "the parties do not dispute that Bolen criticized the steward during the phone call."

The NMRC then asserted that Bolen's phone manners had transgressed regulations prohibiting "conduct or reputation [which] may adversely reflect on the honesty and integrity of horse racing or interfere with the orderly conduct of a race meeting."

A panel of three stewards presided over an evidentiary hearing on the alleged infraction and found that Bolen violated the conduct rule. They fined him \$500, but stipulated that the fine would be waived so long as Bolen had no additional violations within one year.

"Bolen appealed the ruling under regulations that entitle him to a de novo hearing before an independent administrative hearing officer," the Supreme Court opinion stated. "Bolen also

sued NMRC in the district court, asserting a claim under the CRA for a violation of his rights to free speech and due process under Article II, Sections 17 and 18 of the New Mexico Constitution.

"Bolen alleged that NMRC pursued the disciplinary proceeding in retaliation for his protected speech with the steward and for a previous, unrelated lawsuit he had filed against NMRC's Executive Director. Bolen ultimately withdrew his administrative appeal, choosing only to pursue litigation in the district court," the opinion stated.



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The NMRC countered with a claim that its "quasi-judicial administrative actions" in pursuing the disciplinary proceeding entitled it to absolute immunity from Bolen's CRA claim.

The district court refused to extend that quasi-judicial immunity to the commission. The NMRC appealed, and a state appeals court eventually concluded that the district court had erred because the "plain language" of the law confirmed that judicial immunity is available to a public body in defense of a CRA claim.

So after the appeals court reversed the district court, Bolen petitioned the state's Supreme Court, which then issued the June 2 opinion, nearly four years after the original dispute over the phone.

"We answer: Yes, a public body may raise judicial immunity as an affirmative defense to claims brought pursuant to the CRA," the Supreme Court opinion stated.

"We explain that judicial immunity, which applies to judges, advocates, and witnesses, may be consistently applied under the CRA to preserve the role of the judiciary in protecting a person's constitutional rights," the opinion stated.

"We also articulate a framework for determining when that defense applies to quasi-judicial adjudicatory proceedings in the executive branch," the opinion stated. *Cont.*

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"However, as the record and arguments presented here are insufficient to resolve the question of NMRC's entitlement to immunity, we reverse the Court of Appeals to the extent it held that NMRC is immune from Bolen's CRA claim. We remand to the district court for further proceedings consistent with this opinion," the Supreme Court opinion stated.

"We also emphasize that judicial immunity should extend no further than necessary to achieve the policy goals of protecting independent decision-making and ensuring the integrity of an established adjudicatory process," the opinion stated.

"A court considering a public body's entitlement to judicial immunity should, therefore, carefully parse the challenged conduct to determine whether and to what extent that conduct consists of a judicial function. Judicial immunity will protect a public body from liability only when the nature of the proceeding and the nature of the challenged conduct merit absolute protection from suit," the Supreme Court opinion stated.

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A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Non-Industry Media

Pritzker bets FanDuel, DraftKings won't leave Illinois over hefty **sports wagering tax hike** Illinois legislators have called the bluff of online sports betting companies that are suggesting they might reduce operations--or close up shop in the state altogether--after being slapped with a higher graduated tax system in Gov. J.B. Pritzker's latest budget.

FanDuel and DraftKings will soon see their net revenue taxed on a scale that tops out at 40% under the spending plan passed by the Illinois General Assembly last week. That's up from the 15% flat rate levied against sportsbooks since the now \$1-billion Illinois industry launched in 2020. Mitchell Armentrout, Chicago Sun Times



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Racecaller Frank Mirahmadi counting down until the 2025 Belmont at Saratoga





Kentucky Oaks winner Good Cheer is entered in Friday's GI Acorn Stakes, one of 16 graded races scheduled this weekend at the Belmont Stakes Racing Festival held at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew



GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



Thursday, Saratoga #7, post time: 4:02 p.m. EDT

INTERCONTINENTAL S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Pandora's Gift (Ire) 🛷	Churchill (Ire)	LSU Stables	Clement	Ortiz, Jr.	3-1
2	Future Is Now	Great Notion	The Estate of R. Larry Johnson	Trombetta	Lopez	2-1
3	On Command 🛷	Omaha Beach	Lucky Hat Racing LLC and V Hop Racing	Green	Davis	15-1
4	Danse Macabre 🛪	Army Mule	NBS Stable and Elements Racing, LLC	Clement	Rosario	9-2
5	Twirling Queen 🖛	Twirling Candy	GU Racing Stable, LLC	D'Angelo	Saez	8-1
6	Pipsy (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC	Walden	Ortiz	6-1
7	Kairyu (Ire)	Kuroshio (Aus)	Martin S. Schwartz and Michael O'Callaghan	DeVaux	Prat	10-1
8	Time to Dazzle 🛪	Not This Time	Tracy Farmer	Casse	Castellano	20-1
9	Creed's Gold 🖛	Jimmy Creed	Kristin Meldahl	Casse	Davis	15-1
Mai	n Track Only:					
10	Run for the Hills 🖛	Runhappy	Gary Barber	Casse	Ortiz	5-2

Breeders: 1-Rossenarra Bloodstock Ltd, 2-R. Larry Johnson, 3-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC, 4-St. Elias Stables LLC, 5-Pursuit of Success, LLC, 6-Noel Finegan, 7-Mr P. Turley, 8-Dr. Rodney Orr, 9-Linda Griggs, 10-Peter A. Berglar Racing Interests, LLC

Pandora's Gift (Ire) (Churchill ({Ire}) missed by a nose in the GIII Giant's Causeway when facing the morning-line favorite in this race, Future Is Now (Great Notion). Future is Now doesn't like to win by a lot, but she does like to win. She's won five of her last six and beat many of her Intercontinental foes during that streak, including two straight wins over our top pick Pandora's Gift. But Pandora's Gift drops four pounds off her last start and when a race is this competitive, weight is something you have to consider. Danse Macabre (Army Mule) was also right there at the wire in the Giant's Causeway. Won't need to improve by much to get the victory here. --Bill Finley

Thursday, Saratoga #9, post time: 5:12 p.m. EDT

POKER S.-GIII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Cameo Performance 🛪	Oscar Performance	Qatar Racing, Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin	Walsh	Franco	3-1
2	Intellect (Fr)	Intello (Ger)	Madaket Stables LLC, Michael Dubb, Steven Bouchey	Brown	Prat	5-1
3	Filo Di Arianna (Brz)	Drosselmeyer	Gary Barber, Wachtel Stable and Peter Deutsch	Casse	Ortiz	4-1
4	Major Dude	Bolt d'Oro	Spendthrift Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	7-2
5	Mischievous Angel	Into Mischief	Parkland Thoroughbreds	Abreu	Lopez	15-1
6	Sherlock's Jewel	Lea	Wharton Connell Racing LLC	McGaughey III	Davis	8-1
7	Depiction 🛪	More Than Ready	Belladonna Racing, LLC, Twin Brook Stables,	DeVaux	Velazquez	10-1
			Nice Guys Stables, West Point Thoroughbreds,			
			lapetus Racing, Hornstock, Runnels Racing,			
			Perrine Time Thoroughbreds, RTR Stables,			
			Peppermint Stables, Manganaro Bloodstock,			
			Ingordo and Lucky Hat Racing LLC			
8	Donegal Momentum 🛪	Uncle Mo	Donegal Racing	Morley	Castellano	5-1
Mair	n Track Only:					
9	Yo Daddy	Yoshida (Jpn)	Winning Move Stable	Rice	Carmouche	5-2
10	Magnolia Midnight	Midnight Storm	Ilkay Kantarmaci, Sport of Kings Racing Partners, LLC	Kantarmaci	Franco	6-1

Breeders: 1-Patricia L. Moseley, 2-Ecurie Michel Sardou, 3-Stud Principessa di Capri, 4-Clearsky Farms, 5-Parkland Thoroughbreds, 6-Wharton Connell Racing, LLC., 7-Helen K. Groves Revocable Trust, 8-Speedway Stable, 9-Big Chief Racing LLC & Rocker O RanchLLC, 10-Southern Wives Partners

Filo Di Arianna (Brz) (Drosselmeyer) is making his second start off a layoff and going from a sprint to a route. That should mean improvement here. In his last start of 2024, he ran huge to be second in the GI Woodbine Mile. Cameo Performance (Oscar Performance) was no match for Grade I company in the Turf Classic at Churchill. Even though he was eighth, he ran a 96 Beyer figure. A repeat of that could easily get the job done here. In a race where's there is not a lot of speed, Donegal Momentum (Uncle Mo) could work out a very good trip here if aggressively ridden early.--Bill Finley

Friday, Saratoga #12, post time: 6:25 p.m. EDT NEW YORK S. PRESENTED BY RIVERS CASINO-GI, \$750,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Forever After All 🖛	Connect	Dixiana Farms LLC	Walsh	Ortiz, Jr.	10-1
2	Immensitude (Fr)	Lawman (Fr)	Wathnan Racing	Mott	Alvarado	20-1
3	Gimme a Nother (SAf)	Gimmethegreenlight (Aus)	Newstead Stables LLC	Motion	Ortiz	7-2
4	Miwa (GB)	Siyouni (Fr)	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Davis	30-1
5	Edict (Arg)	Il Campione (Chi)	John T. Behrendt	Donk	Franco	15-1
6	Bellezza (Ire)	Siyouni (Fr)	Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd.	Clement	Prat	8-1
7	Beach Bomb (SAf)	Lancaster Bomber	Cayton Park Stud	Motion	Saez	10-1
8	She Feels Pretty 🛪	Karakontie (Jpn)	Lael Stables	DeVaux	Velazquez	3-5

Breeders: 1-Dixiana Farms LLC, 2-Isabelle Corbani, 3-Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein, 4-Wertheimer et Frere, 5-Triple Alliance S.A., 6-Moyglare Stud Farm, 7-Drakenstein Stud (Nom Mrs. G. A.Rupert), 8-Payson Stud Inc

Chad Brown has won this race five times, but, surprisingly does not have a horse entered this year. The pick will be Bellezza (Ire) (Siyouni (Fr)). Dismissed at 10-1 in the GIII Sheepshead Bay, she proved best of the five entered and won by 1 1/2 lengths. Her form wasn't great in Ireland, but she certainly showed in the Sheepshead Bay that she belongs at this level in the U.S. She Feels Pretty (Karakontie (Jpn)) has been made the 3-5 morning line favorite, based on her three straight wins, two of them in graded stakes company. Just don't like the price. Gimme a Nother (SAf) (Gimmethegreenlight ({Aus}) was undefeated in seven starts in South Africa and has since run creditably in two stakes here. This is the third start off a long layoff, so she has license to improve.--Bill Finley

Friday, Saratoga #9, post time: 4:28 p.m. EDT



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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Dorth Vader	Girvin	John Ropes	Weaver	Velazquez	10-1
2	Dazzling Move 🛪	Not This Time	Miller Racing LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	15-1
3	Leslie's Rose 🛷	Into Mischief	Whisper Hill Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	7-2
4	Raging Sea 🖛	Curlin	Alpha Delta Stables LLC	Brown	Prat	5-2
5	Candied	Candy Ride (Arg)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Flay, Bobby	Pletcher	Franco	3-1
6	Tarifa	Bernardini	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Saez	9-2
7	Randomized <a>**	Nyquist	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Rosario	9-2

Breeders: 1-John Ropes, 2-Jesse Korona, 3-John D. Gunther & Eurowest BloodstockServices, 4-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC, 5-Buck Pond Farm, Inc., 6-Godolphin, 7-Cove Springs, LLC







Friday, Saratoga #11, post time: 5:46 p.m. EDT DK HORSE ACORN S.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Scottish Lassie 🛷	McKinzie	Sportsmen Stable, Parkland Thoroughbreds,	Abreu	Ortiz, Jr.	12-1
			Photos Finish, Corms Racing Stable & Jorge Abreu			
2	Good Cheer	Medaglia d'Oro	Godolphin, LLC	Cox	Saez	1-2
3	La Cara	Street Sense	Tracy Farmer	Casse	Davis	10-1
4	Shred the Gnar	Into Mischief	Flying Dutchmen	Lynch	Ortiz	3-1
5	Bless the Broken	Laoban	Cypress Creek Equine and Madaket Stables LLC	Walden	Velazquez	10-1
6	Look Forward 🖛	Bolt d'Oro	Reddam Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	15-1
7	Quickick 🖛	McKinzie	Greenwell Thoroughbreds	Amoss	Prat	20-1

Breeders: 1-Winchester Farm, 2-Godolphin, 3-Tracy Farmer, 4-Camas Park Stud & Lynch Bages LTD., 5-Cypress Creek Equine, LLC, 6-Woods Edge Farm, LLC & Ballyfair Bloodstock, 7-Gainesway Thoroughbreds LTD & Whisper Hill Farm LLC

Friday, Saratoga #13, post time: 7:04 p.m. EDT JUST A GAME S. PRESENTED BY RESOLUTE RACING-GI, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Dynamic Pricing (Ire)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Davis	12-1
2	Special Wan (Ire)	Belardo (Ire)	Team Valor International LLC and Steve Rocco	Walsh	Rosario	10-1
3	Segesta	Ghostzapper	Juddmonte	Brown	Ortiz	15-1
4	Simply in Front 🖛	Summer Front	John Brnjas	Kenneally	Dettori	15-1
5	Kehoe Beach 🖛	Omaha Beach	Thomas W. Bachman	Ward	Ortiz, Jr.	9-2
6	Do Gooder	Good Samaritan	Copper Thoroughbreds	Antonucci	Morelos	30-1
7	A Lilac Rolla (Ire)	Harry Angel (Ire)	Resolute Racing	Mott	Alvarado	6-1
8	Excellent Truth (Ire)	Cotai Glory (GB)	Resolute Racing	Brown	Prat	5-2
9	Choisya (GB)	Night of Thunder (Ire)	Rabbah Bloodstock	Crisford	Saez	4-1
10	Heredia (GB)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Motion	Franco	15-1
11	Sacred Wish <a>**	Not This Time	Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables,	Weaver	Velazquez	12-1
			Steve Adkisson, Christopher Dunn & Anthony Spinaz	zola		

Breeders: 1-Epona Bloodstock Ltd, 2-Kilnamoragh Stud, 3-Juddmonte, 4-William Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 5-John Bates, Ron Kirk & Michael Riordan, 6-Sackleh Suzanne & Michael Masters, 7-John Cullinan, 8-Sandra Russell, 9-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 10-St Albans Bloodstock LLP, 11-John R. Penn

Choisya (Night of Thunder (Dubawi {Ire}) won the GI Jenny Wiley Stakes in her first start in the U.S., finishing ahead of three horses that she will meet here. With three straight wins she is in career-best form. A Lilac Rolla (Ire) (Harry Angel {Ire}) has run some good races against the best fillies in Europe. Hard to ignore that second-place finish in the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas. She's in good hands now that she is in the Bill Mott barn. Will be making her first start since July 12, but Mott can get them ready. Excellent Truth (Ire) (Cotai Glory {GB}) was beaten just a half-length when facing Choisya in the Jenny Wiley. Was second in a Group 1 race in France in her prior start.--Bill Finley

Friday, Saratoga #6, post time: 2:40 p.m. EDT BED O' ROSES S.-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Irish Maxima	Maximus Mischief	Irish Three Racing LLC	Servis	Pennington	6-1
2	Scylla	Tapit	Juddmonte	Mott	Rosario	5-2
3	Ways and Means	Practical Joke	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	6-5
4	Jody's Pride	American Pharoah	Parkland Thoroughbreds and Sportsmen Stable	Abreu	Ortiz, Jr.	9-2
5	Justique 🖛	Justify	C R K Stable LLC	DeVaux	Ortiz	12-1
6	Miss Justify 🛪	Justify	Twin Oaks Bloodstock, IEE Racing, Joseph Bulger and Will Campbell	Pletcher	Davis	12-1
7	St. Benedicts Prep 🛪	Flatter	Ronald P. Stewart	Rice	Lezcano	20-1

Breeders: 1-Pillar Property Services Inc, 2-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 3-Klaravich Stables, 4-Mr. Steve Weston, 5-John D. Gunther & Eurowest Bloodstock, 6-Killora Stud, LLC, 7-Claiborne Farm

Friday, Saratoga #10, post time: 5:08 p.m. EDT BELMONT GOLD CUP S.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Flatten the Curve (Fr)	Zarak (Fr)	Eckhard Sauren	Grewe	Hmmr Hnsen	3-1
2	Padiddle 🛪	Empire Maker	Imaginary Stables	Abreu	Ortiz	15-1
3	Limited Liability	Kitten's Joy	Stuart S. Janney III	McGaughey III	Dettori	2-1
4	La Mehana (Fr)	Al Wukair (Ire)	LSU Stables	Clement	Franco	15-1
5	Anglophile	English Channel	Michael Thomas Paradis	Lynch	Castellano	9-2
6	The Ginger Wizard (Ire)	Calyx (GB)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners & Frassetto Stables	Motion	Rispoli	15-1
7	Curbstone 🖛	Street Sense	Patricia L. Moseley	Morley	Curtis	12-1
8	Grand Sonata 🛪	Medaglia d'Oro	Whisper Hill Farm LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	6-1
9	Tawny Port 🖛	Pioneerof the Nile	Peachtree Stable	Clement	Prat	12-1
10	Lord Flintshire	Flintshire (GB)	Parkland Thoroughbreds	Brion	Velazquez	30-1
Mai	n Track Only					
11	Yo Daddy	Yoshida (Jpn)	Winning Move Stable	Rice	Carmouche	5-1
12	Timeout	Curlin	Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.	Mott	Alvarado	9-5
13	Parchment Party 🖛	Constitution	Pin Oak Stud LLC	Mott	No Rider	7-2

Breeders: 1-Ecurie de Castillon, KM. Al Attiyah, &Cheik FHJ. Al-Thani, 2-Frankfort Park Farm, 3-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC, 4-S.A. Haras du Mezeray, 5-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright, 6-Longfield Stud, 7-Patricia L. Moseley, 8-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, 9-WinStar Farm, LLC, 10-Parkland Thoroughbreds, 11-Big Chief Racing LLC & Rocker O RanchLLC, 12-Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider, 13-B. Flay Thoroughbreds

Run at two miles, it's the most unique graded stakes race run in New York. The distance should be no problem for Limited Liability (Kitten's Joy), who the 2 1/4-mile Nashville Gold Cup at Kentucky Downs. He was also a close third in this race last year. That he has Dettori riding is a plus as the European star rider will have had a lot more experience in races that are this long than his American rivals. Anglophile (English Channel) has turned in several good efforts at a mile-and-a-half. Can he get the extra half mile? The top two picks both ran in the GII Elkhorn Stakes at Keeneland in their most recent starts. Flatten the Curve (Fr) (Zarak {Fr}) is coming off a win in two-mile Group 2 event in Germany. Prior to that he won at 1 3/4-miles and 1 7/8 miles.--Bill Finley

Saturday, Saratoga #13, post time: 7:04 p.m. EDT BELMONT S. PRESENTED BY NYRA BETS-GI, \$2,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m

10-1 2-1 8-5
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15-1
4-1
8-5
30-1

Breeders: 1-Lynch Bages LTD & Camas Park Stud, 2-Godolphin, 3-Kingswood Farm & David Egan, 4-WinStar Farm, LLC, 5-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 6-Grandview Equine, 7-Don Alberto Corporation, 8-David Redvers Bloodstock

Saturday, Saratoga #8, post time: 3:17 p.m. EDT HILL 'N' DALE METROPOLITAN H.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1m



PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Fierceness	City of Light	D Smith, Repole Stable, M Tabor and Mrs. J Magnier	Pletcher	Velazquez	1-1
2	White Abarrio	Race Day	C Two Racing Stable, G Barber & La Milagrosa Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz, Jr.	9-5
3	Castle Chaos	Palace Malice	Goldfarb, Sanford J., Nice Guys Stables, R Falcone, Jr.	Falcone, Jr.	Prat	20-1
			Fielding, John D. and Beast Mode Racing LLC			
4	Just a Touch 🛷	Justify	Qatar Racing, Resolute Racing and Detampel, Marc	Cox	Geroux	4-1
5	Raging Torrent 🖛	Maximus Mischief	Zhang, Yuesheng and Dado, Craig	O'Neill	Dettori	5-1

Breeders: 1-Repole Stable, Inc., 2-Spendthrift Farm, LLC, 3-Dragon Slayer Stable, 4-Don Alberto Corporation, 5-Rodney J. Winkler & Alfonso Mazzetti

Saturday, Saratoga #12, post time: 6:09 p.m. EDT

RESORTS WORLD CASINO MANHATTAN S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Endlessly	Oscar Performance	Amerman Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	20-1
2	Integration	Quality Road	West Point Thoroughbreds and Woodford Racing LLC	McGaughey III	Prat	9-2
3	Highway Robber 🖛	Hard Spun	Hill, Jim and Susan	Lynch	Torres	6-1
4	Carson's Run 🛷	Cupid	West Point Thoroughbreds and Bouchey, Steven	Clement	Davis	12-1
5	Deterministic 🖛	Liam's Map	St. Elias Stable, K Langone, S Duncker & Vicarage Stbl	Clement	Carmouche	9-2
6	Spirit of St Louis 🛷	Medaglia d'Oro	Madaket Stables LLC, M Dubb and R Schermerhorn	Brown	Franco	5-2
7	Tucson 🛷	Constitution	WinStar Farm LLC and Rock Ridge Racing LLC	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	20-1
8	Corruption 🛷	Medaglia d'Oro	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Colburn, Harry	Casse	Ortiz	15-1
9	Far Bridge	English Channel	LSU Stables	Clement	Rosario	3-1

Breeders: 1-Mrs. Jerry Amerman, 2-Larkin Armstrong, 3-Foxpointe Thoroughbreds, 4-Frankfort Park Farm, 5-Hinkle Farms, 6-Chester Broman & Mary R. Broman, 7-CHC Inc., 8-Spendthrift Farm LLC, 9-Calumet Farm

Saturday, Saratoga #9, post time: 4:08 p.m. EDT JAIPUR S.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT



PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Extendo	Handsome Mike	Robert Cotran	Orseno	Castellano	20-1
2	Think Big	Twirling Candy	Godolphin, LLC	Stidham	Curtis	6-5
3	Our Shot	Kantharos	Gatsas Stables, Schoenfeld, Steven and J Terranova II	Terranova II	Saez	8-1
4	My Boy Prince	Cairo Prince	Gary Barber	Casse	Lezcano	10-1
5	Arzak 🛪	Not This Time	Sonata Stable	Trombetta	Ortiz, Jr.	8-1
6	Vinsanity 🛪	Tapiture	Next Level Stables	Arriaga	Santana, Jr.	50-1
7	Bold Journey 🖛	Hard Spun	Barber, Gary, Pantofel Stable LLC and Wachtel Stable	Mott	Cancel	20-1
8	Alogon	California Chrome	Charles T. Matses	Allard	Ortiz	10-1
9	Ag Bullet (f) 🖛	Twirling Candy	Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C.	Baltas	Prat	7-2
10	Coppola 🛪	Into Mischief	Hammer Time Stable & Sport of Kings Racing Partners	Romans	Rispoli	12-1

Breeders: 1-Helen Barbazon, Joseph Barbazon, Edward Seltzer & Beverly Anderson, 2-Godolphin, 3-Dr. S. Mark Rayburg Inc., 4-Murray Graham Smith, 5-John C. Oxley, 6-Hartwell Farm Inc., 7-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 8-Charles T. Matses, 9-H & E Ranch, 10-Fifth Avenue Bloodstock

Saturday, Saratoga #11, post time: 5:28 p.m. EDT

WOODY STEPHENS S. PRESENTED BY MOHEGAN SUN-GI, \$500,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Big Truzz 🖛	Justify	Flying Dutchmen	Lynch	Rosario	10-1
2	Madaket Road	Quality Road	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC	Baffert	Velazquez	10-1
			D Bashor, Determined Stables, Masterson, Robert E.,			
			Ryan, Tom J., Waves Edge Capital LLC &			
			Donovan, Catherine			
3	Macho Music 🛷	Maclean's Music	Mark Fletcher Taylor, R Crichton & Walters, Daniel L.	Crichton	Castellano	8-1
4	Patch Adams	Into Mischief	CHC, Inc. and WinStar Farm LLC	Cox	Saez	5-1
5	Citizen Bull 🖛	Into Mischief	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC,	Baffert	Smith	5-1
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Determined			
			Stables, Masterson, Robert E., Ryan, Tom J., Waves			
			Edge Capital LLC and Donovan, Catherine			
6	T Kraft 🖛	Connect	LRE Racing LLC	Mott	Lezcano	30-1
7	Colloquial 🛷	Vekoma	Harrell Ventures, LLC and Starlight Racing	Weaver	Franco	6-1
8	Gunmetal 🛷	Gun Runner	CHC, Inc. and WinStar Farm LLC	Cox	Ortiz, Jr.	8-1
9	Neoequos	Neolithic	C Two Racing Stable, Parsard, Ian, Shining Stables LLC,	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	10-1
			Stefania Farms LLC, Reimer, Ken T., Braverman, Paul			
			and Pinch, Timothy			
10	Chancer McPatrick	McKinzie	Flanagan Racing	Brown	Prat	4-1
11	Gate to Wire	Munnings	Donegal Racing	Pletcher	Davis	12-1

Breeders: 1-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt & Kaleen Shahlnc., 2-SF Bloodstock LLC, 3-Bridlewood Farm, 4-WinStar Farm, LLC, 5-Robert Low & Lawana Low, 6-Dr. John Eaton & Dr. Steve Laymon, 7-Michael Orem & J.B. Orem, 8-Andrew N. Warren, 9-Helen Barbazon, Joseph Barbazon & Matalona Thoroughbres, LLC, 10-Rigney Racing, LLC, 11-Moyglare Stud Farm LTD.

Saturday, Saratoga #6, post time: 1:55 p.m. EDT WONDER AGAIN S.-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Al Jafara (GB)	Pinatubo (Ire)	Madaket Stables LLC, M Dubb & R Schermerhorn	Brown	Prat	6-1
2	May Day Ready	Tapit	KatieRich Stables LLC	Lee	Dettori	9-2
3	Bessie Abott (Ire)	Kuroshio (Aus)	Team Valor International and Barber, Gary	Casse	Davis	20-1
4	Virgin Colada	More Than Ready	Resolute Racing	Brown	Rosario	10-1
5	Opulent Restraint (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Stephanie Seymour Brant	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	8-1
6	Nitrogen	Medaglia d'Oro	D. J. Stable LLC	Casse	Ortiz	1-1
7	Love You Anyway 🛷	Tapit	Bregman Family Racing LLC	Arnold II	Saez	20-1
8	Laurelin (Ire)	Zarak (Fr)	Newstead Stables LLC	Motion	Carmouche	5-1

Breeders: 1-V. I. Araci, 2-White Birch Farm, Inc., 3-Dr Noel Cogan & Patrick Williams, 4-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 5-White Birch Farm, SC, 6-D. J. Stable, LLC, 7-Aaron & Marie Jones, LLC, 8-M. H. Dixon & Mount Coote Estates

Saturday, Saratoga #7, post time: 2:37 p.m. EDT

TRUE NORTH S.-GIII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Concrete Glory	Bodemeister	Big Frank Stable	Joseph, Jr.	Saez	8-1
2	Crazy Mason 🛷	Coal Front	Wright, Donna and Reeves Thoroughbred Racing	Sacco	Franco	9-2
3	Surveillance 🛷	Constitution	Winning Move Stable	Rice	Carmouche	15-1
4	Nakatomi 🖛	Firing Line	Qatar Racing LLC and Hay, Mrs. Fitriani	Ward	Ortiz, Jr.	4-1
5	Book'em Danno 🖛	Bucchero	Atlantic Six Racing, LLC	Ryan	Lopez	5-2
6	Mullikin 🛷	Violence	WinStar Farm LLC	Brisset	Prat	2-1
7	Full Moon Madness	Into Mischief	Jay Em Ess Stable	Nevin	Velazquez	20-1
8	Nutella Fella 🖛	Runhappy	Bell Gable Stable LLC	Contessa	Alvarado	20-1

Breeders: 1-Bodemeister Syndicate &Kyle M. Horlacher, 2-Gmbracstables LLC, Mr. & Mrs. RamonRangel & Mr. & Mrs. Zachary Madden, 3-Kendall E. Hansen, M.D. Racing, LLC, 4-Arnold Zetcher LLC & Crestwood Farm, 5-Gregory J. Kilka & Bright View Farm, 6-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding, 7-Jay Em Ess Stable, 8-Ashview Farm

Saturday, Saratoga #10, post time: 4:47 p.m. EDT PENNINE RIDGE S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Zulu Kingdom (Ire)	Ten Sovereigns (Ire)	Madaket Stables LLC, M Dubb, W Strauss & M Caruso	Brown	Prat	6-5
2	A. P. Kid 🛪	Honor A. P.	Donegal Racing	Pletcher	Velazquez	10-1
3	States' Rights 🖛	Constitution	Belladonna Racing, LLC, Twin Brook Stables,	DeVaux	Ortiz	6-1
			Woodford Racing, LLC, B.C.W.T. Ltd., Taylor Creek,			
			Hatfield, Rod and Hatfield Stables			
4	Flying Mohawk 🛪	Karakontie (Jpn)	Two Eight Racing, Berry Family Racing &Kaleta Racing	Beckman	Dettori	9-2
5	Tom's Magic 🖛	Justify	CJ Thoroughbreds and Mo Speed Racing	Stidham	Curtis	15-1
6	Bulldoze 🖛	Nyquist	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Saez	30-1
7	Mi Bago	Vekoma	Gary Barber	Casse	Ortiz, Jr.	6-1
8	Golden Channel	English Channel	Gatsas Stables and R. A. Hill Stable	Weaver	Franco	20-1
9	Noble Confessor	Quality Road	St. Elias Stable	Pletcher	Davis	12-1
10	Thirteen Colonies 🖛	Hit It a Bomb	Lindy Farms	Antonacci	Rispoli	20-1

Breeders: 1-Ecurie Peregrine SAS, 2-Parks Investment Group, LLC, 3-Audley Farm Equine, 4-John O'Meara, 5-Sean Fitzhenry & Dorothy Fitzhenry, 6-Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright, 7-Highclere, Inc., 8-Edward Seltzer, 9-St. Elias Stables, LLC, 10-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson)

Saturday, Santa Anita #7, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT SUMMERTIME OAKS-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Thought Process 🛷	Collected	Estate of Brereton C. Jones, Little Red Feather Racing	D'Amato	Berrios	124
			and Madaket Stables LLC			
2	Howin 🛪	Gun Runner	Baoma Corp	Baffert	Van Dyke	120
3	Sea Runner 🖛	Gun Runner	CUYATHY LLC	Yakteen	Fresu	120
4	Our Moonlight 🛷	Tapit	Jett, T. Lawrence and Jett, Ann	Pederson	Pereira	120
5	Allihies 🖛	City of Light	Firsthome Tbreds, JK Ahern and N Barnhart	Kitchingman	Franco	120
6	Silent Law 🖛	Tiz the Law	CSLR Racing Partners LLC	Baffert	Kimura	120
7	Cash Call 🖛	McKinzie	CSLR Racing Partners LLC	Baffert	Hernandez	120

Breeders: 1-Brereton C. Jones, 2-Coffee Pot Stables, 3-Cuyathy, LLC, 4-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 5-Nursery Place, Donaldson & Broadbent, 6-Newstead Corp, 7-Brent Harris & Beth Harris

Sunday, Churchill Downs #8, post time: 4:22 p.m. EDT MATT WINN S.-GIII, \$400,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Gaming 🖛	Game Winner	Pegram, Michael, Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul	Baffert	Geroux	118
2	Final Gambit	Not This Time	Juddmonte	Cox	Prat	120
3	Chunk of Gold	Preservationist	Terry L. Stephens	West	Loveberry	118
4	Just a Fair Shake 🖛	Laoban	LaShawna Lynch	McKenzie	Rodriguez	118
5	Burnham Square	Liam's Map	Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC	Wilkes	Hernandez, Jr.	123
6	Coal Battle	Coal Front	Norman Stables LLC	Briley	Lanerie	123
7	East Avenue	Medaglia d'Oro	Godolphin, LLC	Walsh	Saez	123

Breeders: 1-Mt Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC, 2-Juddmonte, 3-Brereton C. Jones, 4-Brookstone Farm, Lee Mauberret, & JamesBlazek, 5-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Hume Wornall & Jay Adcock, 7-Godolphin



LISTED STAKES ENTRIES

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 1:13 p.m. EDT

MIKE LEE S., \$200,000, 3yo, 7f

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Soontobeking	King for a Day	Our Blue Streaks Stable, SGV Thoroughbreds,	Weaver	Cancel	122
			and George Weaver			
2	Calling Card	Complexity	Three Diamonds Farm	Maker	Ortiz	118
3	Prince Valiant	King for a Day	Red Oak Stable	Pletcher	Davis	122
4	Smilensaycheese	Solomini	Paradise Farms Corp., David Staudacher,	Maker	Saez	118
			Angelo Carlesimo and JP Racing Stable			
5	Train the Trainer	Dialed In	Alipony Racing and Saints or Sinners	Atras	Ortiz, Jr.	118
6	Mo Plex	Complexity	R and H Stable	Englehart	Franco	122
7	First Pitch	Improbable	R.T Racing Stable	Jimenez	Santana, Jr.	118

Breeders: 1-Our Blue Streaks Stable & SGV Thoroughbreds, 2-Spruce Lane Farm, Manlius Stable, Built Wright Stables et al., 3-Sugar Maple Farm, 4-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds & Greenleaf Farm, 5-Hibiscus Stables, 6-Everything's Cricket Racing, 7-Dutchess Views Farm, GMP Stable & C. Robert Valeri

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 2:19 p.m. EDT COMMENTATOR S., \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mama's Gold	Bolt d'Oro	Jonathan Hardoon	Ferraro	Maragh	126
2	Dr. Kraft	The Lieutenant	Ilkay Kantarmaci, Zilla Racing Stables,	Kantarmaci	Rispoli	124
			Black Jack Racing, LLC and Steven Forst			
3	Rose's Pepino	Boys At Tosconova	Robert L. Inman	Inman	Gonzalez	124
4	Rock the Weekend	Weekend Hideaway	Nat Krohn and Lolita Shivmangal	Shivmangal	Davis	124
5	Drake's Passage	Tonalist	Robert S. Evans	Clement	Saez	126
6	Locke and Key	Mr. Z	Backwards Stable	Ryerson	Luzzi	124
7	General Banker	Central Banker	Seacoast Thoroughbreds of N. E.	Ferraro	Rivera, Jr.	124
8	Bank Frenzy	Central Banker	LSU Stables	Rodriguez	Franco	126

Breeders: 1-William Butler, 2-Sequel Stallions New York LLC, 3-Robert Simonick, 4-Pure Bred Funding, LLC, 5-Robert S. Evans, 6-Backwards Stable, 7-Seacoast Thoroughbreds of New England, 8-Chester Broman & Mary R. Broman

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 3:26 p.m. EDT

BOUWERIE S., \$200,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Storm Changer	Name Changer	Peter Kazamias	Synnefias	Gomez	122
2	Bernieandtherose	Accelerate	Robert Rosenthal and Bradford Bernstein	Schettino	Davis	122
3	Howling Wind	Solomini	Seacoast Thoroughbreds of N. E.	Ferraro	Luzzi	118
4	Crimson Queen	Vino Rosso	Dragon Slayer Stable	Bond	Saez	118
5	Accelerating	Mitole	Kaleem Shah, Inc.	Asmussen	Ortiz	122
6	Valtellina	Complexity	Pavilion Racing	Handal	Maragh	120
7	Kay Cup	Instagrand	NY Final Furlong Racing, Electric City Racing,	Abreu	Ortiz, Jr.	118
			and Sportsmen Stable			
8	Charlotte's Heart	Authentic	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Davis	118

Breeders: 1-Kaz Hill Farm, 2-Robert D. Rosenthal & Bradford Bernstein, 3-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC, 4-Dragon Slayer Stable, 5-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC& Jeff Gardella, 6-Thorostock, LLC, 7-Caperlane Farm, 8-30 Year Farm

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 4:02 p.m. EDT

KINGSTON S., \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Itsallcomintogetha	Weekend Hideaway	Hilly Fields Stable	Serpe	Gomez	120
2	Schlomo	Freud	LRE Racing LLC	Mott	Lezcano	118
3	Bettrluckythangood	Lookin At Lucky	Adelphi Racing Club, Randy Stasi, Jared Brechman, and Jay Stasi	Clement	Davis	120
4	Be of Courage	Noble Mission (GB)	Gerald Goodman and John S. Pregman, Jr.	Pregman, Jr.	Silvera	120
5	Clear Conscience	Blame	Gary Barber, Pantofel Stable and Wachtel Stable	Casse	Ortiz	120
6	Union Trail	Constitution	Sackatoga Stable	Tagg	Saez	120
7	Ruse	War Dancer	Tee N Jay Stable	Hills	Carmouche	120
8	Gem Mint Ten	Laoban	Cutair Racing, Adelphi Racing Club, Shelly Hume, and Russell Hume	Handal	Ortiz, Jr.	120
9	Hush of a Storm	Creative Cause	Sanford J. Goldfarb	Cox	Prat	122
10	Born Dancer	War Dancer	Saratoga Ten General Partner	Nevin	Rosario	120
11	Shadow Dragon	Army Mule	Paul Woosley	Mott	Castellano	124
12	Antonio of Venice	Laoban	Michael Imperio, Robert Cotrone, Hibiscus Stables, and Rudy Rodriguez	Rodriguez	Rider TBA	124

Breeders: 1-Hilly Fields Stable, 2-LRE Racing LLC, 3-Windylea Farm - New York LLC, 4-Lawrence Goichman, 5-Alan Quartucci & Sebastian Varney, 6-Twin Creeks Farm, 7-Wes Carter, 8-Team Millennium Stable, 9-Berkshire Stud, 10-Anne Morgan & Cheavaux Racing, 11-AJ Suited, 12-Cypress Creek Equine

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 4:37 p.m. EDT CRITICAL EYE S., \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Racing Colors	Race Day	Alex Kazdan	Follett	Gomez	124
2	Amanda's Folly	Mendelssohn	Linda Rice	Rice	Ortiz	124
3	Call Her Bluff	Audible	Witte, John J. and Kernan, Jr., Morris E.	Kantarmaci	Prat	124
4	P Mutter Pickle	Vino Rosso	The Elkstone Group LLC	Antonacci	Franco	124
5	Lika Rolling Stone	Bustin Stones	Antonio Arriaga	Arriaga	Santana, Jr.	124
6	Landed	Omaha Beach	Lael Stables	Ward	Velazquez	126
7	Snappin Buttons	Union Rags	Next Level Stables	Arriaga	Saez	124
8	Sterling Silver	Cupid	Mark T. Anderson	Mott	Alvarado	126
9	Bernietakescharge	Take Charge Indy	Rosenthal, Robert D. and Bernstein, Bradford H.	Schettino	Maragh	126

Breeders: 1-Carl Bennett, 2-Lambholm, 3-TLC Thoroughbreds LLC, 4-Repole Stable Inc, 5-Dr. Jerry Bilinski & Roddy Valente, 6-Final Furlong Racing Stable & Maspeth Stable, 7-Mina Equivest LLC, 8-Mallory Mort & Karen Mort, 9-Robert D. Rosenthal & Bradford Bernstein

Wednesday, Saratoga, post time: 5:12 p.m. EDT MOUNT VERNON S., \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Silver Skillet	Liam's Map	Reeves Thoroughbreds, Tango Uniform Racing, and Rocco, Steven	Clement	Rosario	120
2	Spinning Colors	Hard Spun	Bourbon Lane, HGS Thoroughbreds & Mark Hennig	Hennig	Velazquez	120
3	Can't Fool Me	Frost Giant	Roger Cimbora, Jr.	De Paz	Franco	120
4	Midnight Concerto	Mendelssohn	Harold Lerner, AWC Stables and Nehoc Stables	McPeek	Carmouche	118
5	Awesome Czech	Mendelssohn	Barry K. Schwartz	De Paz	Santana, Jr.	120
6	Cara's Time	Not This Time	Richard Greeley	Friedman	Silvera	118
7	Bobby M's Girl	Sky Mesa	Youngs Racing Stable	Duggan	Ortiz	120
8	Snowy Evening	Frosted	Crist, Steven, deRegt, Ken and Gleaves, Philip A.	Donk	Saez	120
9	Brocknardini	Palace Malice	Brockley, Thomas and Brockley, Daryn A.	Weaver	Prat	120
10	Whatlovelookslike	English Channel	Barry K. Schwartz	Pletcher	Ortiz, Jr.	120

Breeders: 1-Robert Chasanoff, 2-William Parsons Jr. & David Howe, 3-Roger Cimbora Jr., 4-Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC & ValerieDailey, 5-Stonewall Farm, 6-Stephen Crestani Jr., 7-Ed Young, 8-Michelle Nevin & Godolphin, 9-Thirty Year Farm, 10-Stonewall Farm

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6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$32,000, Msw, 6-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.41, fm, 3/4 length.

STARSHIP ATHENA (f, 3, Street Sense--Callmethesqueeze (MSW, \$324,499), by Awesome Again) debuted going six furlongs at Keeneland to no avail but showed improvement Tuesday when stretched out to two turns for the first time. The 5-1 shot broke with the field but was outrun by the majority of them to her outside and raced seventh through fractions of :23.04 and :47.56. Shifted out to make a wide rally around the far turn, Starship Athena put in a strong closing kick and push past late leader Fascinator (Clubhouse Ride) and win by threequarters of a length. Callmethesqueeze, already the dam of both Call On Mischief (Into Mischief), SW, \$283,237 and Power Squeeze (Union Rags), GISW, \$1,027,150, saw her now 2-yearold Liam's Map colt bring \$425,000 at FTSAUG last year. She was served by Jackie's Warrior for 2025. Sales History: \$65,000 RNA Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$50,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$160,000 2yo '24 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$20,575. Click for the Equibase.com chart.

O-Starship Stables; B-Forging Oaks LLC (KY); T-Kelsey Danner.

1st-Presque Isle Downs, \$28,500, Msw, 6-3, 2yo, 4 1/2f (AWT), :52.20, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

FISTFULOFMONEY (c, 2, Tom's d'Etat--L. A. Magic, by **Tizdejavu)** missed by just a half-length at long odds when debuted at Churchill Downs going five furlongs for then-trainer Adam Rice May 9. Now with Kevin Rice, the 7-5 second choice shortened up and took to the Tapeta, sitting just off of loose leader and 3-5 race favorite Shez Twisted (Twirling Candy). Gradually pulling that leader back to him around the turn, Fistfulofmoney put in a sustained bid into the stretch and drove past the pacesetter in the final sixteenth to graduate by 1 3/4 lengths. From the family of champion 2-year-old and successful young sire Good Magic (Curlin), Fistfulofmoney has a yearling half-brother by Take Charge Indy while L. A. Magic reported a Maximus Mischief colt this season. Sales History: \$30,000 Ylg '24 FTKFEB. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$36,400. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Bella Mia Stables, LLC; B-Cherry Run Farm & Tom's d'Etat

Syndicate (KY); T-Kevin Rice.



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IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Han Dong Fei Sha, f, 3, Improbable--Midnight Fantasy (MSW-US, 4340,971), by Midnight Lute. Huhtala, 6-1, 1200m (sand), 1:12.56. O-Mengjun Horse Industry. B-SF Bloodstock, LLC (KY). *\$37,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEEJAN; \$27,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. VIDEO.

Tao Qi Nan Hai, c, 4, World Of Trouble--Slim Fit, by Tiznow. Huhtala, 6-1, 1200m (sand), 1:12.34. O-Meng Jun International Horse Industry. B-River Oak Farm (KY). *\$30,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. VIDEO.



SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 2025 Stud Fees Listed

Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000

295 foals of racing age/44 winners/3 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m. EDT, \$200K Bouwerie S., 7f, Charlotte's Heart, 8-1

\$390,000 RNA FTK NOV wnl; \$725,000 FTS AUG yrl

Complexity (Maclean's Music), Airdrie Stud, \$25,000
202 foals of racing age/46 winners/7 black-type winners
2-Saratoga, 1:13 p.m. EDT, \$200K Mike Lee S., 7f, Calling Card,
8-1 \$70,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$80,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl
2-Saratoga, 1:13 p.m. EDT, \$200K Mike Lee S., 7f, Mo Plex, 2-1
\$27,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl; \$45,000 OBS APR 2yo
6-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m. EDT, \$200K Bouwerie S., 7f, Valtellina, 9-2
\$67,000 SAR AUG yrl

Gift Box (Twirling Candy), Lane's End Farm, \$5,000 135 foals of racing age/21 winners/2 black-type winners 2-Presque Isle Downs, 3:57 p.m, Msw 6f, Double Up Larry, 8-1

Higher Power (Medaglia d'Oro), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000 158 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners 10-Saratoga, 5:47 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, The Saint, 15-1 \$30,000 FTN MIX wnl; \$25,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$80,000 KEE SEP yrl



Honor A.P. | Sarah Andrew

Honor A. P. (Honor Code), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000 131 foals of racing age/26 winners/3 black-type winners 3-Wed - Thurs Pick 4, 12:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K Tremont S. SAR -R1, 5 1/2f, Romeo, 9-5 \$14,000 RNA EAS OCT yrl

Improbable (City Zip), WinStar Farm 221 foals of racing age/36 winners/6 black-type winners 2-Saratoga, 1:13 p.m. EDT, \$200K Mike Lee S., 7f, First Pitch, 30-1 \$120,000 SAR AUG yrl

Instagrand (Into Mischief), Taylor Made Farm, \$8,000 228 foals of racing age/52 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m. EDT, \$200K Bouwerie S., 7f, Kay Cup, 9-5 \$43,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$100,000 SAR AUG yrl **King for a Day** (Uncle Mo), Irish Hill & Dutchess Views Stallions, \$5,000

83 foals of racing age/10 winners/2 black-type winners 2-Saratoga, 1:13 p.m. EDT, \$200K Mike Lee S., 7f, Prince Valiant, 5-2 \$50,000 FTN MIX wnl

2-Saratoga, 1:13 p.m. EDT, \$200K Mike Lee S., 7f, Soontobeking, 9-2 \$80,000 OBS MAR 2yo

Name Changer (Uncle Mo), Kaz Hill Farm, \$2,500 29 foals of racing age/2 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Saratoga, 3:26 p.m, \$200K Bouwerie S., 7f, Storm Changer, 8-1

Speightsong (Speightstown), Midwest Equine & Veterinary Hospital, \$2,000

24 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 5-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:14 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Perla Negra, 15-1

Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$12,500 233 foals of racing age/44 winners/2 black-type winners 3-Wed - Thurs Pick 4, 12:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K Tremont S. SAR -R1, 5 1/2f, Blinging It Back, 3-1 \$80,000 KEE SEP yrl





STAKES RESULTS

COPA GOBERNADOR S., \$76,640, Camarero, 6-1, (S), 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:52.19, ft.

- 1--CARISMATICO, 118, c, 3, by Maraud--Too Fast for Love, by Harlington. (\$19,000 Ylg '23 POTLOS). O-Establo Tony Guzman; B-Potrero Los Llanos Inc. (PR); T-Jason Lisboa; J-Jorge I. Velez. \$44,451. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$102,915.
- 2--Vuelve Junior F, 118, c, 3, Maraud--B. J. Miracle, by Anasheed. (\$15,000 Ylg '23 POTLOS). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**

O-FBC Racing PR; B-Potrero Los Llanos Inc. (PR); T-Kevin Velez. \$15,328.

3--Iron Skull, 118, c, 3, Midnight Storm--Angela's Smile, by Scat Daddy. O-Skull Stable PR; B-Jose Dominici (PR); T-Edwin Texidor, Jr. \$7,664.

Margins: 4HF, 13, 23/4. Odds: 1.20, 12.85, 0.90.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Parx Racing, \$50,000, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$16,000), 6-3, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45.07, ft, 9 lengths.

WARP NINE (c, 4, Hightail--Powertap, by Tapit) Lifetime Record: 15-2-1-6, \$119,633. O-Alaricorns; B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Harold Wyner.

6th-Prairie Meadows, \$46,240, (S), 6-2, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.62, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

ON A HUNCH (g, 3, Alternation--Tango's Kitty, by Jersey Town) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$79,946. O-Ted Griffieon; B-Pam Davis (IA); T-Gene Jacquot. *\$8,000 Ylg '23 IOWOCT.

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$41,000, (S), 6-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.39, ft, 4 3/4 lengths.

RIGOBERTO (g, 4, Unbridled Express--Katara Princess, by Tale of the Cat) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$80,650. O-Contreras Stable, Inc. and Desperado Racing LLC; B-Justice Farm, Greg Justice (IN); T-Cipriano Contreras. *\$21,000 Ylg '22 INDMIX.

6th-Thistledown, \$38,400, (S), 6-3, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.55, ft, 5 1/4 lengths.

MIESHA (f, 4, Cloud Computing--Cupcake Tate, by The Factor) Lifetime Record: 22-3-5-4, \$129,883. O-Leroy Jackson; B-Peter J. Sheppell (OH); T-Michael L. Rone. *\$9,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT.

7th-Presque Isle Downs, \$38,040, 6-2, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:37.11, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

CAPTAIN COURTNEY (m, 5, Army Mule--Mareana, by Northern Afleet) Lifetime Record: SW, 6-4-0-2, \$148,712. O-Arnold and Susan Davidov; B-Wesley R. Bennett (PA); T-Michael J. Trombetta. *\$90,000 2yo '22 EASMAY.

7th-Thistledown, \$38,000, 6-3, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.29, ft, head.

GUNNER GABRIEL (g, 4, Dialed In--Simonetta, by Harlan's Holiday) Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-2, \$156,177. O-Jason DaCosta and Calypso Stable; B-Daniel J. & Patricia J. Yates (OH); T-Jason DaCosta. *\$27,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$15,000 Ylg '22 OTBOMX. **1/2 to Mitos Y Leyendas (Kantharos), SP, \$192,885.

7th-Fairmount, \$31,000, (S), (NW4L)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 6-3, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.15, ft, 2 lengths.

ON THE MONEY RED (g, 5, Texas Red--Halo At Last, by Home At Last) Lifetime Record: 20-4-3-8, \$95,973. O-Amado Diego; B-Shellye Marie Essenpreis (IL); T-Gabe Retana. *1/2 to Roski (Animo de Valeroso), SP, \$206,824.

1st-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$28,000, (S), (NW4L)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 6-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41.79, ft, head. **SASSY KATIE (m, 5, Temple City--Isteefaa, by Eddington)** Lifetime Record: MSP, 17-4-4-2, \$191,940. O/B-Smokey Creek Farm (IN); T-Robert M. Gorham.

5th-Thistledown, \$28,000, 6-3, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.36, ft, 3/4 length.

VODKA N GINGERALE (c, 3, Maximus Mischief--Switcheroo, by Exchange Rate) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$54,158. O-John Steve Cannon; B-Thomas & Renee Scucci (KY); T-John Steve Cannon. *\$115,000 Ylg '23 KEEJAN; \$155,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

6th-Fairmount, \$28,000, (S), (NW4L)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 6-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12.98, ft, neck.

TOO MUCH TUESDAY (f, 4, Cinco Charlie--My Little Darlings, by Purim) Lifetime Record: 16-4-4-3, \$88,474. O-Offspring Farm and Lawrence J. Gavilsky II; B-Cynthia R Rush, James M Watkins & Lawrence J Gavilsky II (IL); T-James M. Watkins.

5th-Fairmount, \$27,000, (S), (NW3L)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 6-3, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.69, ft, 9 3/4 lengths.

RHODIUMS PRIDE (g, 4, Ghaaleb--Rhodium, by Flashy Bull) Lifetime Record: 18-3-5-2, \$88,990. O/B/T-Steve Manley (IL).

3rd-Finger Lakes, \$26,795, 6-3, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.39, ft, 4 1/4 lengths.

D'S A ROCK (f, 3, Bustin Stones--Sutra {GISW, \$356,873}, by Meadowlake) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$89,670. O-TEC Racing (Elliott S. Logan); B-Amy Boll (NY); T-Wayne Potts.



1st-Finger Lakes, \$26,550, 6-3, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:44.06, ft, 3/4 length.

KING'S LEAP (g, 3, King for a Day--Mine as Well, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: SP, 7-3-0-3, \$89,389. O/B-TLC Thoroughbreds LLC (NY); T-M. Anthony Ferraro. *\$24,000 RNA Ylg '23 SARAUG.

6th-Finger Lakes, \$26,500, 6-3, (NW2L), 3yo, 6f, 1:12.22, ft, 1 length.

SCALES OF GOLD (g, 3, Central Banker--Holy Gold, by Touch Gold) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$39,117. O/B-Seacoast Thoroughbreds of New England (NY); T-Ralph D'Alessandro.

7th-Finger Lakes, \$24,500, (S), 6-3, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.09, ft, 1 length.

STARSHIP TANGO (h, 5, Central Banker--Romance Dance, by Vision and Verse) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-0, \$60,997.

O-Starship Stables; B-Rhapsody Farm (NY); T-M. Ferraro.

*\$15,000 Ylg '21 SARAUG; \$19,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSAPR;

\$19,000 RNA 2yo '22 OBSOPN. **1/2 to Four Left Feet (Trippi),

SW, \$514,700 and Perfect Step (Congrats), SW, \$264,630.



Army Mule | Sarah Andrew

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bottle Caps, g, 3, **Dads Caps**--Awesome Forever, by Awesome Again. Assiniboia Downs, 6-2, 5 1/2f, 1:07.65. Lifetime Record: 16-1-8-0, \$50,390. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). *\$3,500 Ylg '23 NCAAU.

Angel of Hope, f, 3, Warrior's Reward--Easter Blossom, by Speightstown. Parx Racing, 6-3, 6f, 1:13.30. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-1, \$96,220. B-Y. Kolybabiuk (PA). *1/2 to Nature's Candy (Uncle Lino), SP, \$179,534.

P J's Boy, g, 3, William's Kitten--Thundertap, by Tapizar. Thistledown, 6-3, (S), 1m, 1:44.17. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$27,039. B-Eyes of a Child Stable (OH).

Break the Fall, g, 4, **Mastery**--Mineful, by Mineshaft. Finger Lakes, 6-3, 1m 70y, 1:46.57. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-1, \$39,045. B-Stonewall Farm (NY).

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Alternation, On a Hunch, g, 3, o/o Tango's Kitty, by Jersey Town. ALW, 6-2, Prairie Meadows

Army Mule, Captain Courtney, m, 5, o/o Mareana, by Northern Afleet. ALW, 6-2, Presque Isle Downs

Bustin Stones, D's a Rock, f, 3, o/o Sutra, by Meadowlake. ALW, 6-3, Finger Lakes

Central Banker, Scales of Gold, g, 3, o/o Holy Gold, by Touch Gold. ALW, 6-3, Finger Lakes

Central Banker, Starship Tango, h, 5, o/o Romance Dance, by Vision and Verse. ALW, 6-3, Finger Lakes

Cinco Charlie, Too Much Tuesday, f, 4, o/o My Little Darlings, by Purim. AOC, 6-3, Fairmount

Cloud Computing, Miesha, f, 4, o/o Cupcake Tate, by The Factor. ALW, 6-3, Thistledown

Dads Caps, Bottle Caps, g, 3, o/o Awesome Forever, by Awesome Again. MSW, 6-2, Assiniboia

Dialed In, Gunner Gabriel, g, 4, o/o Simonetta, by Harlan's Holiday. ALW, 6-3, Thistledown

Ghaaleb, Rhodiums Pride, g, 4, o/o Rhodium, by Flashy Bull. AOC, 6-3, Fairmount

Hightail, Warp Nine, c, 4, o/o Powertap, by Tapit. AOC, 6-3, Parx Racing

King for a Day, King's Leap, g, 3, o/o Mine as Well, by Mineshaft. ALW, 6-3, Finger Lakes

Mastery, Break the Fall, g, 4, o/o Mineful, by Mineshaft. MSW, 6-3, Finger Lakes

Maximus Mischief, Vodka N Gingerale, c, 3, o/o Switcheroo, by Exchange Rate. ALW, 6-3, Thistledown

Street Sense, Starship Athena, f, 3, o/o Callmethesqueeze, by Awesome Again. MSW, 6-3, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Temple City, Sassy Katie, m, 5, o/o Isteefaa, by Eddington. AOC, 6-3, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Texas Red, On the Money Red, g, 5, o/o Halo At Last, by Home At Last. AOC, 6-3, Fairmount

Tom's d'Etat, Fistfulofmoney, c, 2, o/o L. A. Magic, by Tizdejavu. MSW, 6-3, Presque Isle Downs





THE DERBY'S GUIDING LIGHT

Jeremy Brummitt On Why the Epsom Classic is a North Star for Breeders



Jocelyn de Moubray with Jeremy Brummitt at the BBAG Yearling Sale Emma Berry

By Emma Berry

"The Derby is the only thing that matters." It's a pretty definitive opening gambit, even from a man whose words generally don't spend much time in the mincer.

Later, Jeremy Brummitt will temper this statement but first let's deal with the Derby, a race which, for this week at least, really is the only thing that matters.

"I honestly think the people who come into racing and breeding with a passion are all led by the north star of the Derby," he says. "And the people who think there are rival claims, almost without exception, are driven by financial gain. In other words, they see the business as a means for them to make a living or make a lot of money. But the fundamental essence of the sport is the pursuit to try and win the Derby. Every sport – not just every sport, every human pursuit – has one holy grail. Everything has a pinnacle."

Towards this year's summit climb two horses with which Brummitt has had a direct involvement. They are both outsiders in the Derby betting but, at the time of writing, they represent 10 per cent of the likely field.

Lazy Griff was a \in 75,000 yearling purchase at BBAG, the year after Brummitt had bought subsequent Group 1 winner Tamfana there for \in 20,000. Cont. p3

JOHN STEWART SNAPS UP PADDY TWOMEY-TRAINED JUVENILE BOUND FOR

ROYAL ASCOT By Brian Sheerin

Paddy Twomey has added another major owner to his Tipperary training establishment with the news that American-based John Stewart has bought Royal Ascot bound two-year-old Rogue Legend.

The Havana Grey colt had won two of his last three starts in the colours of the Rogues Gallery Partnership, who sent the Golden-based handler a batch of two-year-olds for the first time this year.

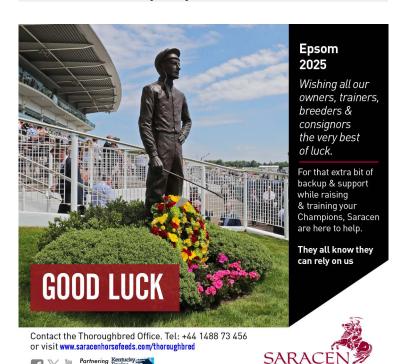
That support has already been justified with Rogue Legend, who was ultra-impressive when landing a conditions race over the minimum trip at Tipperary last week and has a number of options at the Royal meeting later this month.

Confirming the acquisition, Stewart said, "We have purchased Rogue Legend." Cont. p5

IN TDN AMERICA TODAY

MCCARTHY FEELS RIGHT AT HOME IN PLETCHER'S BARN

Tim Wilkin checks in with **Journalism**'s trainer Michael McCarthy ahead of Saturday's GI Belmont Stakes. The Curlin colt finished second in the GI Kentucky Derby and won the GI Preakness Stakes.





ARDAD

TWO ROYAL ASCOT COLTS

TADEJ wins the same York maiden trainer Archie Watson used for his Coventry winner Bradsell ~ and that's where Tadej goes next. Then AMERICAN GULF won with great authority for the Coles at Windsor: he'll go for the Coventry, too.

Precocity: it's in the blood, not the foaling date

Still time to breed to Britain's leading sire of two-year-olds...

LEADING SIRES OF TWO-YEAR-OLDS, 2025, BY WINNERS

WITH STAKES WINNERS, STAKES HORSES, CROP SIZE AND FEE

	:	SW	SH	W	CROP	FEE
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2	ARDAD	1	2	8	153	£12,500
3	COTAI GLORY	-	1	7	140	€15,000
4	STARMAN	1	2	6	211	€10,000
5	WOOTTON BASSETT	1	1	6	193	€300,000
6	NANDO PARRADO	-	-	6	95	€6,000
7	NO NAY NEVER	-	1	5	129	€125,000
8	STARSPANGLEDBANNER	1	1	5	128	€45,000
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Pictured is the £650,000 top-priced filly at the Goffs UK Breeze-Up Sale, Zelaina (Mehmas). She debuts for Wathnan Racing and Karl Burke at Nottingham.

| Alison Murphy Photography

6 | RYAN MOORE'S EPSOM CLASSIC RIDES COMING INTO FOCUS

A few days out from the Epsom Classics, Ryan Moore's G1 Betfred Oaks and G1 Betfred Derby rides will likely be Minnie Hauk and Delacroix, but the final verdict will be delivered on Wednesday.

7 | NARISSA AND SEGALL NAMED RISING STARS AT SAINT-CLOUD

The daughter of Siyouni and the son of Sottsass both earned their 'TDN Rising Star' badges at Saint-Cloud on Tuesday.

11 | HARRY ANGEL PINHOOK THE TOAST OF MAGIC MILLIONS

The colt sold for A\$525,000 at the Magic Millions National Yearling Sale after making just A\$1,500 as a weanling at the 2024 Inglis Australian Weanling Sale.

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Jeremy Brummitt Cont. from p1

Tuscan Hills was bred by Australian owner-breeder John Wheeler, for whom the agent bought the colt's dam Taqleed for 70,000gns at the Tattersalls December Mares Sale. Among the Shadwell draft of 2021, the mare was unraced but, as a daughter of Sea The Stars out of the 2005 Oaks winner Eswarah, her bloodlines held obvious appeal for a man with a laser focus on Epsom.

"Every racing jurisdiction in the world has a flagship race called the Derby. There isn't a South Australian Arc de Triomphe. And if we ever put a man on the moon, the feature race for their first racing season will be called the Moon Derby," he says.

Brummitt doesn't really like to be labelled as a bloodstock agent, even though that's an essential part of his work. He is also a breeder and advises other breeders, but overall he would probably be happiest being called a racing fan, and he is keen to

ensure that others follow.

"It's so important to get young, impressionable people through the turnstiles at the races, paying attention to the horses, more than the gambling, certainly more than adjuncts of entertainment, because once you fall in love with the horses, you inevitably will get it," he says. "It's an unusual person who studies horses, thinks they have an opinion and doesn't want to back them."

Brummitt continues, "I'm lucky enough to work for a few people of very different

backgrounds who've taken very different paths to where they are now. But they all started off the same way, by a fascination with horse racing. And the banner races from their early periods are the ones that are still synonymous with achievement, 50 or 60 years later.

"I'm a great believer in heritage handicaps as well. I think it's high-minded of the professionals to sneer at the value of the Cambridgeshire and the Cesarewitch, but the racing public like them, and when racing was exceptionally popular, they were front-page news.

"That appeal of asking top horses to run in top handicaps is massively underestimated. What's surprising is how often the best horse defies increasing imposts. However much people like to use metrics to prove that horses can't run beyond the exactitudes of a slide rule, you can't ever quantify spirit. And the

best horses have an indomitable spirit that overcomes an extra three pounds."

Lazy Griff, bred by Peter and Aline Rodde at Gestut Westerberg, is by Protectionist, who won one of the world's great staying handicaps, the Melbourne Cup.

"It's one of my favourite families," he says of the late son of Monsun who is from the same dynasty as Stradivarius, with whom Brummitt has close ties through his work for owner-breeder Bjorn Nielsen, another man with a Derby dream.

"I remember Protectionist because he ran in the Grosser Preis von Berlin, and I think Hoppegarten may well have been the first racecourse in Europe to display sectional times live during the race. Protectionist ran an exceptional last 600 metres, admittedly in a slowly-run race, but as with so many stayers, it sets a lie to the idea that they're slow. Although he's perceived as a Melbourne Cup winner and a two-miler, he won that race

by running 600 metres in a very quick time indeed. And there's very few horses who race over any distance who can sustain the run for 600 metres.

Recently, Sosie ran the last 600 metres in the Ispahan in just over 33 seconds."

Tuscan Hills, who carries the hopes of Amo Racing in the Derby, shares his sire Night Of Thunder with the Oaks favourite Desert Flower. It is 20 years since Night Of Thunder's sire Dubawi ran third in the Derby to Motivator and Walk In The Park and, as mentioned above, the Epsom pointers

Tuscan Hills, trained by Raphael Freire, is Amo Racing's Derby hope Racingfotos.com

loom large in Tuscan Hills's pedigree. Not only did Eswarah win the Oaks, but so too did her dam Midway Lady. And it never hurts to see the name Galileo nestled in there as broodmare sire of Night Of Thunder, meaning that Tuscan Hills is inbred 4x3 to Urban Sea through her two Derby-winning sons.

Reflecting on the purchase of the colt's dam Taqleed for Wheeler, Brummitt says, "It's a shame really, because John wanted me to buy a mare that we could breed to Camelot Southern Hemisphere time and then send to Australia to breed to [South Australian Derby winner] Russian Camelot. I bought Russian Camelot for John.

"Quite soon after I bought the mare, her second foal came up as a weanling, and I thought he was the standout weanling at Goffs in February, so we bought him to send to Australia to advertise the mare. Her first two foals were by Tamayuz." Cont. p4

because he's got the temperament that you would expect to

handle rollercoasters and open-top buses."

Jeremy Brummitt Cont.

He added, "Six months after that, the first foal won a Listed race in Italy and was second favourite for the Gran Criterium, so everything was coming up roses. Then the mare had a Night of Thunder, which again was ideal. We only had to pay 70,000gns [for the mare] because she had a very late cover, which put off a lot of people, but it wouldn't deter you if you were planning to campaign the horse with a view to taking him to Australia as a mature horse. So the mare went in foal to Camelot, was shipped to Australia, and unfortunately, in the space of a week, her first foal broke a leg and didn't turn up in the Criterium, and the mare died in quarantine in Australia."

It is a story which will resonate with many breeders, who will be all-too familiar with the heartbreak that so often underpins any successful endeavour. The mare's demise changed the plan

for her Night Of Thunder colt, who ended up being offered at the Goffs Orby Sale through Manister House Stud and sold to the Amo Racing team for €100,000.

"[Tuscan Hills] wasn't the most correct as a foal. He's very athletic with an absolutely sublime temperament, but because we thought we were going to race him, we jealously defended him from interference from farrier and vet," Brummitt says. "So he's grown up naturally with a very good foot, which I'm passionate about.

Brummitt indicates that Lazy Griff, a full-brother to G3
Bavarian Classic winner Lambo, is a similarly phlegmatic
character. The colt was second to Lambourn in his sole start this
year in the G3 Chester Vase and his trainer Charlie Johnston is
attempting to secure the services in the Derby of Christophe
Soumillon, who rode Lazy Griff to victory at Chantilly last year.

Brummitt says, "I thought he was a fantastic individual with a great temperament, and I think he'll run his race. His price suggests that's not going to be good enough, which may be the case, but there'll definitely be horses shorter in the betting that won't run their race because of temperamental flaws. That's as much a part of the equine make-up as physique and action. I think both horses are likely to give everything they've got."

Lest anyone think that
Brummitt cannot appreciate
those glorious speedballs
that blaze a trail down the
straights of York or Ascot,
he says, "I like sprinters. It's
the subversion of speed to
precocity that annoys me.
But I do like sprinters."

He adds, "I think what's generally less appreciated is how many top sprinters are out of mares by Classic-winning sires. Everyone is raving about Starman at the moment, and he is out of a Montjeu mare.

"It doesn't matter to me that a horse runs over six

furlongs. That's great. But a horse that runs three times at two, it doesn't matter if they win by a distance, to the general public and the punter – and that's what sustains racing – he's retired before they ever realise he ran. He's done nothing for this sport. He's made the breeder and the buyer and the connections happy. He'd make me very happy if I was connected to him, but he's not actually advanced horseracing one jot. But a horse that stays sound and runs for six seasons and turns up in the Stewards' Cup and the Ayr Gold Cup and the Wokingham: he's a tremendous servant to racing."

A sire very much on the rise who falls between these two stools is Mehmas, who was never out of the first three in his eight starts but raced only in his juvenile season.



The Charlie Johnston-trained Lazy Griff wins the G2 Prix de Conde Scoop Dyga

But also, he is what would be considered incorrect, exactly like his sire. But [Night Of Thunder] did manage to win the Guineas and it didn't stop him winning the Lockinge at four either. So he ticked, in my opinion, the most important criteria in that he stayed sound for three seasons at the top level."

He adds of Tuscan Hills, who won both his starts at two, including the Listed EBF Silver Tankard Stakes at Pontefract, and was seventh on comeback in the Dante, "It held down his sales price because we didn't do any cosmetic work on him, but importantly he's a sound racing proposition.

"He's such a good mover and he's compact, very well-balanced. I'd be shocked if he couldn't handle Epsom or fast ground. And whatever he does at Epsom, I hope he rewards the people who bought him, and he manages to win at the top level

"We've got far too many stallions at stud who've been campaigned to conceal how bad they are instead of campaigned to prove how good they are." --Jeremy Brummitt

Jeremy Brummitt Cont.

There can be no denying the tremendous start he has made to his stud career, however, with those connected to his stock often pointing to their equable temperaments.

"Mehmas is an interesting horse," says Brummitt. "[His offspring] are tough. They have a very recognisable way of galloping. He's by a horse in Acclamation who was widely regarded as a source of two-year-old speed, and most popularly promoted as the winner of the Doncaster sales race, but he actually had his finest day as a four-year-old. So what's wrong with that? Kodiac did the same as a five-year-old. It didn't stop them being superior progenitors of juveniles, and Mehmas is out of tremendous middle-distance family. He goes back to Lucavan Princess, who bred Luso and Needle Gun. That's a fantastic female family."

He would, however, like to see a greater range of stallions being given a chance at stud, rather than a decreasing number of sires covering increasingly large books.

"Because the one thing we know about breeders, myself included, is none of us are smart enough to be right even half the time," Brummitt says. "Otherwise, you wouldn't have been able to go to Dubawi with a four grand fee in his third season, and more than 23 people would've wanted to breed to Wootton Bassett in his first crop. That's why it's important that we give more stallions a proper chance, and I don't pretend that I would be any more accurate in my estimation. I'd just like to be able to choose from 30 instead of 12, that's all."

Properly into his stride now, Brummitt continues, "And I think the great shame of modern racing is people feel proving a horse can stay beyond a mile and a quarter, let alone a mile and a half, is in some way indicative of a potential weakness in the breeding shed that they might be slow. But the point of trying the racehorse is to prove how good they are, not to conceal how bad they are. And we've got far too many stallions at stud who've been campaigned to conceal how bad they are instead

of campaigned to prove how good they are."

Lazy Griff and Tuscan Hills probably won't feature too prominently in the Derby tips ahead of Saturday but in Middleham Park Racing and Amo Racing they represent ownership groups who have never been afraid to campaign their horses with ambition. There should be no greater ambition in racing than to win the Derby, and for Brummittt, the vicarious thrill of having played a role in these two colts lining up at Epsom will be satisfying indeed.

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Rogue Legend Cont. from p1

Stewart added, "He is an impressive two-year-old who is two from three and has a Timeform rating of 105, which places him in the top three of all European-trained two-year-olds right now."

The owner added, "He is with trainer Paddy Toomey and will run at Ascot. We are entering him in all the two-year-old sprint races and then will see how the races come up and pick a spot. We also have Believing running as well [in the G1 King Charles III Stakes] who we own with Coolmore. And maybe one more!"

It was Twomey who sourced Rogue Legend during the Book 3 session of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale for just 55,000gns. Following an eye-catching debut at Cork, Rogue Legend bolted up in a maiden over the same course and distance before enhancing his reputation with that silky smooth performance at Tipperary.

Twomey commented on Tuesday, "We're looking forward to Royal Ascot with Rogue Legend. He has been very straightforward to train and is improving with every run, culminating with an impressive weight-carrying performance at Tipperary last Tuesday evening. It's great to have John Stewart and the Resolute team join the yard and I hope we can win together at Royal Ascot." Cont. p6



John Stewart: has bought the Royal Ascot bound Rogue Legend Sarah Andrew

Rogue Legend Cont.

Asked about Royal Ascot targets, Twomey concluded, "He has done all of his winning over five furlongs so one of the Windsor Castle or the Norfolk Stakes would appear to be the most likely destination but he will also be entered in the Coventry Stakes as well."

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MINNIE HAUK AND DELACROIX EMERGE AS MOORE'S LIKELY CLASSIC RIDES AT EPSOM



Minnie Hauk, a 4/1 shot for the Oaks with Betfred after winning the Cheshire Oaks | Racingfotos.com

Cheshire Oaks heroine **Minnie Hauk** (Frankel) is the likely mount of Ryan Moore in the Betfred Oaks, according to trainer Aidan O'Brien, with the Ballydoyle team also set to call upon the services of Wayne Lordan and Colin Keane on a busy Classic weekend at Epsom.

Speaking on a call hosted by the Jockey Club on Tuesday, O'Brien echoed his recent comments about **Delacroix** (Dubawi) being the horse most likely to have the benefit of Moore's assistance in Saturday's Betfred Derby, before clarifying the picture somewhat with regards the Oaks, Friday's Classic in which the trainer is also set to saddle Lingfield Oaks Trial scorer **Giselle** (Frankel) and Musidora Stakes winner **Whirl** (Wootton Bassett).

Whilst acknowledging that a final decision would likely be left until the very last minute, O'Brien intimated that Moore was leaning towards Minnie Hauk at this stage, with Lordan and Keane set to deputise on whichever fillies are passed over by the stable's number one rider.

"I'd imagine it would probably be Minnie Hauk," the trainer said of Moore's likely partner. "Obviously, that could change if he changes his mind tomorrow. All three fillies came out of their last races well.

"We liked her [Minnie Hauk] last year. She had the two runs and won the second time. She's a lovely, straightforward filly and we think she's come forward loads from Chester. She was just ready to start there. We had to try and get a run into her somewhere before the Oaks and that suited perfectly. We knew it wouldn't be too demanding of her and she would learn plenty from it."

O'Brien also revealed that Delacroix will be joined in the Derby by stable-mates **The Lion In Winter** (Sea The Stars) and **Lambourn** (Australia), with his Lingfield Derby Trial winner Puppet Master, who remained in contention at Monday's confirmation stage, said to be unlikely to take his chance at Epsom.

Last seen winning the Leopardstown Derby Trial by nearly three lengths, Delacroix is the sponsor's 5/2 favourite to provide O'Brien with a record-extending 11th win in the Derby, while The Lion In Winter is available to back at 6/1 after finishing only sixth on his return to action in the Dante Stakes at York, having headed the market throughout the winter after going unbeaten in two starts as a juvenile. Chester Vase winner Lambourn, who was previously runner-up to Delacroix in March's Ballysax Stakes, is a 14/1 chance.

"I think so," O'Brien confirmed when asked whether Moore was expected to come down in favour of Delacroix. "Obviously, he doesn't have to make up his mind until 1pm tomorrow [Wednesday]. Ryan will always ride the horse he thinks he has the best chance, that's always been his way, regardless, and that's the way it has to be.

"Ryan rides the horse we think is going to win--sometimes we're right and sometimes we're wrong. He looks at their ability, the suitability of the horse for the race, and tries to get on the one he thinks is going to win. Obviously, no one gets that right all the time, so we'll just have to see how it goes."

Delacroix has been ridden positively in his recent starts and similar tactics seem likely to be employed at Epsom, whichever jockey partners the son of Dubawi and champion racemare Tepin.

"He's a straightforward horse and uncomplicated, we think," said O'Brien. "I'd imagine if he [Moore] does ride him, he probably would ride him forward, but he'll decide that himself when the gates open.

"His sister by Galileo [Grateful] got a mile and six [furlongs] well and, as everybody knows, he's by Dubawi. You never know until you do it, but we always thought there was a good chance that he would get the mile and a half."

Whilst The Lion In Winter appears likely to line up as the Ballydoyle second string, O'Brien believes he will take a big step forward from his Dante performance.

Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Zarigana.

Moore's Classic Rides Taking Shape Cont.

He added, "We think he's made good progress since York. He was only just ready to start that day and you're probably better off in a trial knowing that you're going to come forward and everything goes wrong, rather than running in a trial when you think you're fit and everything goes right.

"He got a little bit of interference in the straight and Ryan looked after him. If he hadn't got that he might have been third and if he hadn't have run a little bit keen early he might have been closer. This is only going to be his second run and you'd imagine whatever he does he's going to come forward again."

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The 3-5 favourite, askew from the gates and careering left at the break, tracked the leaders in fourth before surging forward into a handy third approaching halfway. Looming large hard on the bridle in early straight, she eased ahead passing the quarter-

Star, boasts a roll of honour which also includes last month's G1

mile marker and quickened clear in highly encouraging fashion inside the final furlong to easily outclass Vanina Runway (Zelzal) by a geared-down eight lengths.

"This filly has quality, she had been working well in the mornings and I was expecting something nice on this debut," admitted Graffard. "So, to sum it up, it is not a surprise and I think she has some future."

Narissa is the lone reported foal thrown by a winning daughter of dual Group 3-winning G1 Nassau Stakes second and G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud third Narniyn (Dubawi). Narniyn, in turn, is a half-sister to the dam of the dual Group 3-winning G1 St Leger and G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud runner-up Arrest (Frankel), Group 3-winning G1 Hong Kong Gold Cup placegetter Dinozzo (Lilbourne Lad), Sunday's G1 Prix du Jockey Club third Detain (Wootton Bassett) and the stakes-placed Spring Loaded (Zebedee).

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SIYOUNI'S NARISSA DELIVERS TDN RISING STAR DISPLAY AT SAINT-CLOUD

by Sean Cronin

In-form conditioner Francis Graffard continued on a winning roll at Saint-Cloud Tuesday afternoon and saddled Aga Khan Studs homebred Narissa (Siyouni) to become her sire's 15th **TDN Rising Star** after she delivered a stunning performance in the seven-furlong Prix Allee d'Amour. Siyouni, himself a Rising



TDN# RISING STAR

2nd-Saint-Cloud, €30,000, Mdn, 6-3, unraced 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:29.54, gd.

NARISSA (IRE), f, 2, by Siyouni (Fr)

1st Dam: Narmeen (Fr), by Le Havre (Ire)
2nd Dam: Narniyn (Ire), by Dubawi (Ire)
3rd Dam: Narmina (Ire), by Alhaarth (Ire)
Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. Click for the free

Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O/B-Aga Khan Studs; T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Mickael Barzalona.

SEGALL SUBDUES FOES TO BECOME THIRD RISING STAR FOR SOTTSASS AT SAINT-

CLOUD by Sean Cronin

Tuesday's Prix Chapeau Rouge at Saint-Cloud played host to the frontrunning **TDN Rising Star** performance of Andre Fabre trainee Alcantor (New Bay) back in 2023 and this year's renewal witnessed another pillar-to-post Rising Star display by a Fabre nominee, **Segall** (Sottsass), who put his rivals to the sword in the seven-furlong contest. He follows Ultrafragola and Safia in becoming his sire's third Rising Star. Former Coolmore resident Sottsass now stands at Shizunai Stallion Station in Japan.

The 13-5 favourite was swiftly into stride from the inside stall and seized an immediate lead in this debutants' heat. Holding sway throughout, he increased his advantage soon after turning for home and extended clear in striking fashion inside the final quarter-mile to prevail by an impressive four lengths from **Synaran** (Mehmas).

Segall is the latest of four reported foals and third scorer from as many runners produced by G2 Rockfel Stakes victrix Spain Burg (Sageburg), herself out of a multiple-winning half-sister to Listed Swedish Open Mile runner-up Cyber World (Robin Des Pins). Descendants of the February-foaled bay's multiple Groupplaced fourth dam Lightning Fire (Kris), winner of the Listed Prix Imprudence, include GII All Along Stakes victrix Beyrouth (Alleged) and stakes-winning G2 Sun Chariot Stakes and GII E P Taylor Stakes placegetter Flame Valley (Gulch). Lightning Fire is a full-sister to G1 Prix de la Salamandre-winning sire Common Grounds and kin to multiple Grade I-placed G3 Prix de Psyche winner Angel In My Heart (Rainbow Quest), herself the dam of G1 Derby hero Kris Kin (Kris S.).

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TDN# RISING STAR

3rd-Saint-Cloud, €30,000, Mdn, 6-3, unraced 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:29.42, gd.

SEGALL (IRE), c, 2, by Sottsass (Fr)

1st Dam: Spain Burg (Fr) (GSW-Eng & SP-Fr, \$137,252), by Sageburg (Ire)

2nd Dam: Spain Blues (Fr), by Anabaa Blue (GB) 3rd Dam: Strike Alight, by Gulch

Sales history: €90,000 Ylg '24 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €15,000. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O-Ecurie David R Layani Famille; B-White Birch Farm & SCEA Haras de Saint Pair; T-Andre Fabre; J-Cristian Demuro.

EUROPEAN NEWS

GERMANY REPRESENTED ON DERBY DAY AT EPSOM WITH GEOGRAPHY

Stall Hanse's **Geography** will fly the flag for Germany in the G3 Diomed Stakes at Epsom on Derby Day this coming Saturday, according to trainer Peter Schiergen.

A multiple group winner in his native land, the 4-year-old most recently won the G3 Kalkmann-Fruhjahrs-Meile in mid-April and was gelded last month. The son of Holy Roman Emperor will face Archie Watson trainee Brave Emperor (Sioux Nation) in that contest.

"He's coming over to run, Derby day is a big day, so we will be coming," said Schiergen, who won the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (2011) and the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2012) with Danedream (Lomitas), and will saddle **Tunnes** (Giuliani) in Friday's G1 Coronation Cup. "I think he is in good form, we have gelded him since his last run which we thought was a good idea and we think he's in a good place." Geography will be ridden by William Buick.

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TRAINERS SIGN UP TO SUPPORT RACING WELFARE'S WALKING CHALLENGE

Andrew and Anna Lisa Balding are among more than 70 people to have signed up for Racing Welfare's Castle to Abbey Challenge in Yorkshire.

The 22-mile guided trek along the picturesque coastline from Scarborough Castle to Whitby Abbey takes place on July 6 and is the charity's major fundraising event for the year.

"We are thrilled to support this event. Racing Welfare does such a great job helping us support our staff and we are delighted that this day falls on a Sunday which means we can dig out our walking boots and head north to help raise some funds," said Anna Lisa Balding.

"Yorkshire is a favourite place of ours and the route sounds suitably challenging. We are hoping to be joined by friends, colleagues and owners, a few of whom have already leapt at this opportunity of a brisk stroll in the countryside."

York Racecourse's chief executive William Derby is also taking part, as are trainers Kevin Philippart de Foy and Emma Lavelle.

Racing Welfare's chief executive Dawn Goodfellow said, "We're thrilled to have received such fantastic support for this event so far as it's a really important one for us from a fundraising perspective, being our only mass participation challenge of the year.

"A big thank you to all those who have already signed up. To anyone who might be considering it, while we can't guarantee the weather, we can absolutely guarantee that there will be stunning views, plenty of team spirit, and support on hand every step of the way. We'd love you to join us for what promises to be a tough but rewarding challenge, which will help to raise vital funds so that we can continue to be there for all racing's people."

The challenge is open to anyone, with a cost of £39 to sign up by June 20 and a sponsorship target of £300 each. Further details are available on the Racing Welfare website.

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The Yorkshire coastline will provide picturesque views along the route

St Mark's Basilica (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), Coolmore Stud

FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, June 4, 2025:



Starman has runners in the UK and Ireland | Tally-Ho Stud

UNITED KINGDOM

Lucky Vega (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Irish National Stud 101 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 14:22-NOTTINGHAM, 6f, Rawalpindi Express (Ire) €22,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2023; £10,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2024

Nando Parrado (GB) (Kodiac {GB}), Irish National Stud 95 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners 14:52-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Perineighs (Ire) €15,000 RNA Goffs November Foal Sale 2023; £30,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2024

Starman (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud 211 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner 18:15-RIPON, 5f, Star Material (Ire) €100,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2024

Ubettabelieveit (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), Mickley Stud 80 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners 18:15-RIPON, 5f, Believeinmenow (Ire) €21,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2023; €30,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2024 14:52-NOTTINGHAM, 5f, Thehunnebelllegacy (GB) 15,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2023; 12,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2024

IRELAND

133 foals of racing age/1 winner/0 black-type winners
1-CURRAGH, 7f, Lake Como (Ire)
52,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2023; €130,000 Goffs
Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2024

Starman (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud
211 foals of racing age/6 winners/1 black-type winner
2-CURRAGH, 6f, North Coast (Ire)
42,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2023; 180,000gns
Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2024
2-CURRAGH, 6f, Sky Watch (Ire)
£80,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2025

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

MEHMAS'S GOFFS UK BREEZE UP STAR ZELAINA DEBUTS IN KEY MAIDEN

2.52 Nottingham, Mdn, £6,899, 2yo, f, 5f 8yT

ZELAINA (GB) (Mehmas {Ire}) debuts for Wathnan Racing and Karl Burke in this maiden the stable has won for the last two years with the subsequent G2 Queen Mary Stakes third Beautiful Diamond and with Leovanni, who captured that Royal Ascot prize 12 months ago. At £650,000 the top-priced filly at the Goffs UK Breeze Up, the half-sister to the G2 Railway Stakes-placed Arctician faces the Coolmore-owned and Simon and Ed Crisford-trained filly Novelette (Ire) (Sioux Nation) who at £410,000 was second only to her among her sex at that auction. Godolphin's newcomer, the Charlie Appleby-trained Secret Oath (Ire) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), was also a big-money purchase with the daughter of the GII Nassau Stakes and G3 Albany Stakes runner-up Bletchley costing €550,000 at Goffs Orby Book 1.

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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

3rd-Lingfield, £6,800, Novice, 6-3, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.73, gd.

SHAATIR (GB) (c, 2, Havana Grey {GB}--Colouring {GB}, by

Showcasing {GB}), third on debut over this trip at Chepstow last month, was bounced out to lead. Drawing clear from the two-furlong pole, the 5-4 favourite hit the line strong with 3 1/4 lengths to spare over Too Darn Hot's Lohoobb. Cont. p11

3rd-Lingfield Cont.

The winner is the second of two foals out of a half to Kyllachy's Listed Roses Stakes runner-up Deia Glory. Descended from the European champion Blue Duster, she is connected to Mastercraftsman's Romagna Mia who took the G2 Premio Lydia Tesio and GIII Dowager Stakes and was third in the GI Beverly D. Stakes. Sales history: €130,000 Wlg '23 GOFNOF; 210,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$6,604. O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud; T-Archie Watson.

2nd-Leicester, £7,000, Mdn, 6-3, 2yo, 7fT, 1:23.90, g/f.

AMBERIA (IRE) (f, 2, Coulsty {Ire}--Sapporo {Ire}, by Distorted

Humor), sent off at 12-1, showed a professional attitude from
the break to lead. Always in control, the newcomer surged clear
from the quarter pole to score by six lengths from Soldier's Call's
Eyes Front. The winner is the last known foal out of the dam, an
unraced daughter of El Prado's Gl Spinster Stakes heroine Asi
Siempre. She was responsible for Exceed And Excel's Gl
Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf and G2 Champagne Stakes-winning
sire Outstrip and the dam of Teofilo's Naval Power who
captured the Gll Singspiel Stakes and was runner-up in the Gl
Bourbon Turf Classic and Gl Maker's Mark Mile Stakes. Sales
history: €2,000 Ylg '24 GOAUYR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0,
\$4,963.

O-Let's Be Lucky Partnership; B-Newlands House Stud; T-David Loughnane.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Jack The Tooth (GB), g, 2, Twilight Son (GB)--Dominatrix (GB), by Whipper. Leicester, 6-3, 7fT, 1:25.04. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$4,963. B-Plumton Hall Stud & Fernham Farm. *5,000gns Wlg '23 TADEWE; 18,000gns Ylg '24 TATSOM.

Archivist (GB), c, 3, Dubawi (Ire)--Provenance (GB) (MSP-Eng), by Galileo (Ire). Leicester, 6-3, 8f 53yT, 1:42.69. Lifetime Record: 6-1-4-0, \$32,217. B-Cheveley Park Stud Limited. *600,000gns RNA Ylg '23 TATOCT.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

6th-Saint-Cloud, €27,000, Cond, 6-3, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:12.90, gd. **TEN HORNS (FR) (c, 4, Ten Sovereigns {Ire}--Rivalba, by Street Cry {Ire})** Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 21-5-4-4, €145,200. O-Ecurie Gribomont, Gerard Augustin-Normand & Ecurie du Sud; B-Ecurie Gribomont & Ecurie du Sud; T-Patrice Cottier. €48,000 RNA Ylg '22 ARQAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Panta Rei (Ire), g, 3, Belardo (Ire)--Pearly Steph (Fr) (SW-Fr), by Oasis Dream (GB). Saint-Cloud, 6-3, 10fT, 2:11.98. B-SCEA Haras de Saint Pair. *€60,000 RNA Ylg '23 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Eternal Pearl (GB) (Frankel {GB}), GSW-Eng & Fr, \$148,835.



IN MAINLAND CHINA:

Dreambird (Ire), m, 7, **Oasis Dream (GB)**--Pocket Watch (GB), by Pivotal (GB). Huhtala, 6-1, 2000m (sand), 2:01.98. O-Mengjun Equestrian Club. B-Farm Cove Thoroughbreds (Ire). *6,500gns HRA '21 TATDEC. **VIDEO**.

WORLDWIDE NEWS

INCREDIBLE HARRY ANGEL PINHOOK CONCLUDES MAGIC MILLIONS YEARLING SALE



The Harry Angel colt who brought major pinhooking profit | Magic Millions

The 2025 Magic Millions National Yearling Sale concluded on Tuesday with solid results despite a challenging market. Harry Angel emerged as the standout sire on Day 2, highlighted by a colt that sold for A\$525,000, while Extreme Choice continued his strong commercial run, siring three of the top five lots overall.

Harry Angel Pinhook Cont.

In total, 21 yearlings sold for A\$100,000 or more, up from 17 in 2024, underscoring strong buyer demand at the top end of the market. But it was the Harry Angel colt that sent reverberations through the sale ring when selling for A\$525,000 to leading Hong Kong trainer Manfred Man.

Alma Vale Thoroughbreds offered the colt on behalf of Temerity Park, who had purchased him for just A\$1,500 as a weanling from Sledmere Stud's draft at the 2024 Inglis Australian Weanling Sale. The return marked an incredible profit of 350 times the original purchase price.

Alma Vale Thoroughbreds' Stud Manager, Oscar Engelbrecht, was understandably slightly shocked, but thrilled after the sale.

"The result is incredible, that is what dreams are made of, it really is life-changing for the owners, Temerity Park," Engelbrecht said.

"It's good to finish the year on such a high note. We've (Alma Vale) had a very good year, and huge credit has to go to everyone involved. It takes a lot of work to get these results, not just from the team at the sales, but everyone back home as well. We're absolutely rapt, and very happy to get the result for such good people."

Engelbrecht praised the professionalism of the colt, the form of his sire, and noted the strong interest in inspection during the week.

"Harry Angel is doing a really good job, and this colt was so professional throughout the week, the underbidder looked at him seven times. The beauty of live auction action was on full display, when two people want the horse, they're willing to pay for it."

Reflecting on the incredible financial turnaround, Engelbrecht added, "A \$1,500 weanling into a \$525,000 yearling - it could quite possibly be one of the best pinhooks ever. When the stars align, it can go really well. It's a huge team effort, and we have a great team that works extremely hard."

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