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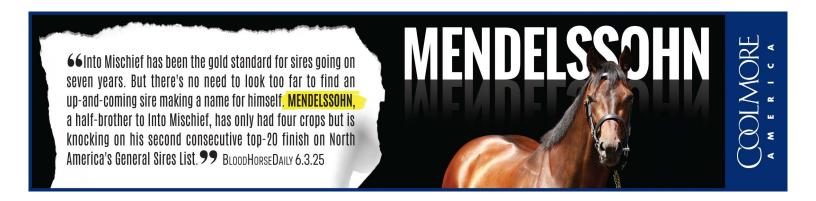
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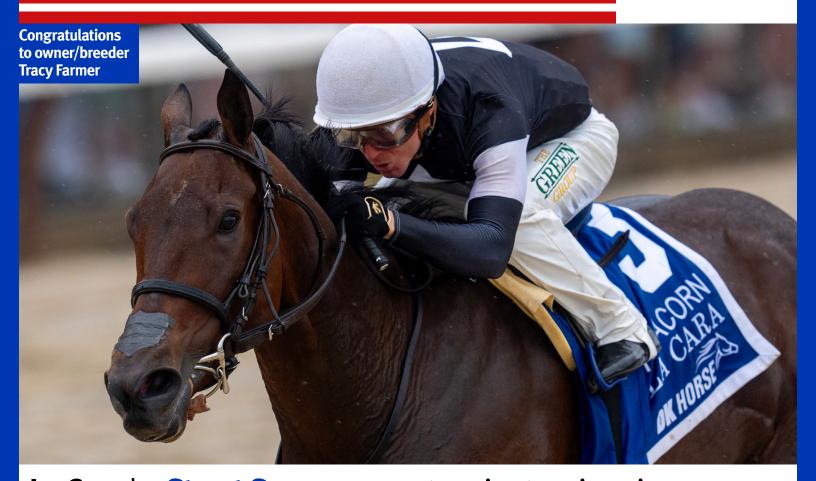
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La Cara by Street Sense runs out a wire-to-wire winner of the Acorn at Saratoga, her second G1 victory of 2025. She's one of 13 G1 winners for her sire, who is forging his own dynasty and stands alongside his young stallion sons Maxfield and Speaker's Corner. It all just makes sense.



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With his son Michael, jockey Dylan Davis celebrates Friday's two Grade I wins at Saratoga aboard La Cara and Dynamic Pricing (Ire). | Sarah Andrew

TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

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1:55p	Wonder Again SGII, Saratoga
2:37p	True North SGIII, Saratoga
3:17p	Metropolitan HGI, Saratoga
4:08p	Jaipur SGI, Saratoga
4:47p	Pennine RidgeSGIII, Saratoga
5:28p	Woody Stephens SGI, Saratoga
6:09p	Manhattan SGI, Saratoga
7:04p	Belmont SGI, Saratoga
7:22p	Summertime Oaks-GIII, Santa Anita



KENTUCKY DERBY TOP THREE SOVEREIGNTY, JOURNALISM & BAEZA MEET AGAIN IN BELMONT STAKES by Steve Sherack



Journalism | Sarah Andrew

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – There may not be a better person to talk to about the highly anticipated rematch between GI Kentucky Derby winner **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief) and GI Preakness Stakes winner **Journalism** (Curlin) in Saturday's GI Belmont Stakes than longtime Bridlewood Farm General Manager George Isaacs.

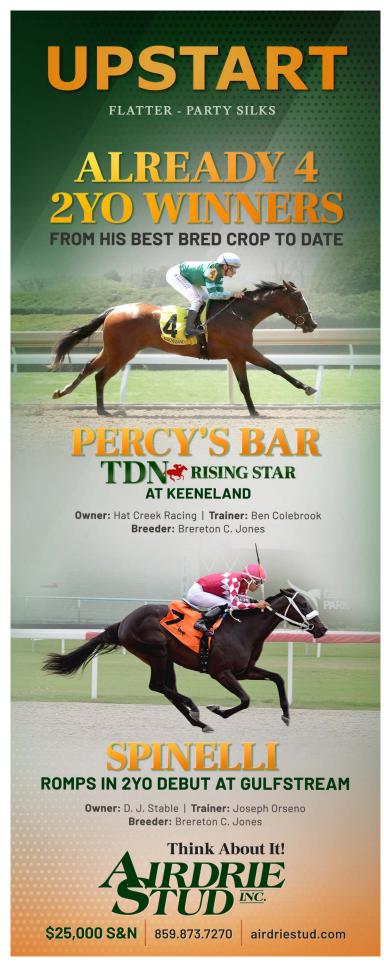
Founded in 1976 by Arthur and Martha Appleton and currently owned by John and Leslie Malone, Bridlewood Farm (their legendary red-and-white silks were worn by Umberto Rispoli for that heart-stopping second leg of Triple Crown) campaigns Journalism in partnership with Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, breeder Don Alberto Stable, Robert LaPenta, Elayne Stables 5 and the Coolmore contingent.

Both Journalism, an \$825,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling purchase, and Godolphin homebred Sovereignty, graduated from the pre-training program at Bridlewood Farm in Ocala, Florida, before heading to their trainers, Michael McCarthy and Hall of Famer Bill Mott, respectively.

"Naturally, I hope it's Journalism, but if it can't be Journalism, I hope it's Sovereignty," Isaacs said.

"Even though it's only been one time, it could potentially be a real rivalry. For horse racing's sake, it would be nice if it unfolds that way and both of these horses stay healthy and can face off many times to come."

Sovereignty defeated favored Journalism by 1 1/2 lengths in the slop on the first Saturday in May. It was another neck back to the fast-closing **Baeza** (McKinzie), the half-brother to Classic winners Mage (Good Magic) and Dornoch (Good Magic), in third.





Sovereignty | Sarah Andrew

After a stormy Friday afternoon at the Spa, it could be an off track once more with additional rain in the forecast for Saturday.

The last time the top three finishers of the Kentucky Derby all lined up in the Belmont Stakes was 2013. Kentucky Derby winner Orb finished third, runner-up Golden Soul was ninth and third-place finisher Revolutionary was fifth.

"It's great for horse racing," Isaacs said. "We know they're both very nice horses and I don't think we can overlook Baeza, either. Those three horses are the best three in the crop. I think it's a race between those three."

The field of eight also includes the Bob Baffert-trained likely pacesetter and 'TDN Rising Star' Rodriguez (Authentic), a wire-to-wire winner of the GII Wood Memorial S. at Aqueduct last out Apr. 5. A quarter crack kept him out of the first two legs of the Triple Crown.

"We have the best 3-year-olds in the country running together," Baffert said. "It will be exciting. I have a lot of respect for Journalism and Sovereignty and Baeza. I think (Rodriguez) fits with them."

Baffert continued, "I have been watching Journalism all winter, chasing him all winter. He just keeps getting better and better and better and better. I think he is the horse to beat."

The Belmont Stakes Racing Festival is being held at Saratoga Race Course for the second straight year while construction of the new Belmont Park continues downstate. Due to the configuration of Saratoga's main track, the Belmont Stakes will once again be contested at 1 1/4 miles rather than the traditional distance of 1 1/2 miles.

Saturday's blockbuster program features five Grade I events, including the Breeders' Cup 'Win and You're In' GI Hill 'n' Dale Metropolitan Handicap (Dirt Mile) and GI Jaipur S. (Turf Sprint).

A fantastic field of five will meet for the stallion-making Met Mile, led by Breeders' Cup winners 'TDN Rising Star' Fierceness (City of Light) and White Abarrio (Race Day). Click here for indepth pedigree profiles for the complete field.

The Jaipur has attracted 10 turf sprinters, led by 6-5 morning-line favorite **Think Big** (Twirling Candy), a winner of three straight, including the GII Twin Spires Turf Sprint S. on Kentucky Derby Day.



Chancer McPatrick | Sarah Andrew



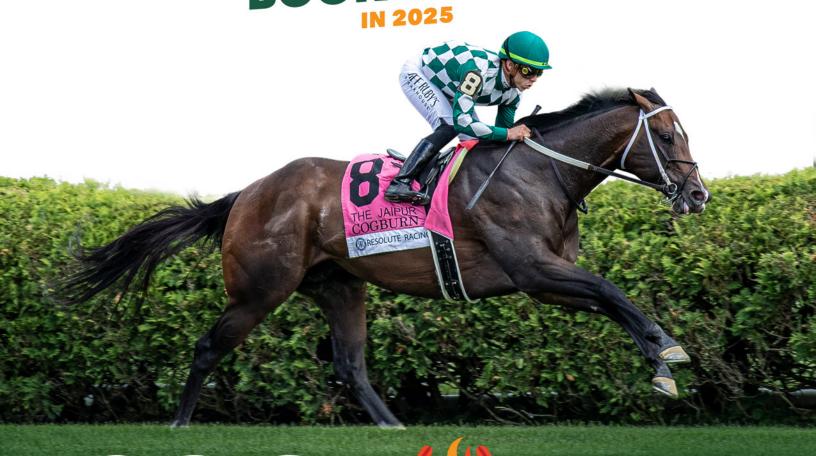
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Spirit of St Louis (Medaglia d'Oro) will be favored in the GI Manhattan S. following top-shelf wins in this term's GI Pegasus World Cup Turf Invitational S. and GI Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic Stakes on the Kentucky Derby undercard. The late Christophe Clement won the Manhattan three times and his son Miguel will continue his magnificent legacy by saddling a trio for the stable, led by MGISW and 'TDN Rising Star' Far Bridge (English Channel).

The 14-race program also includes: the GII Wonder Again S., topped by the talented **Nitrogen** (Medaglia d'Oro); the GIII True North S., featuring a showdown between GISWs **Book'em Danno** (Bucchero), **Mullikin** (Violence) and **Nakatomi** (Firing Line); and the GIII Pennine Ridge S., led by GI American Turf S. winner **Zulu Kingdom** (Ire) (Ten Sovereigns {Ire}).

Television coverage of Belmont Stakes Day will air across the FOX Sports family of networks beginning at 10:30 a.m. ET.

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LA CARA WIRES ACORN AT 7-1, GOOD CHEER OFF THE BOARD IN FIRST CAREER

DEFEAT by Steve Sherack

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – The graveyard of champions strikes again.

Tracy Farmer homebred La Cara (Street Sense) shot out to the front and never looked back, splashing home a threelength, wire-to-wire winner in Friday's GI DK Horse Acorn S. at rainy Saratoga.

Look Forward (Bolt d'Oro) chased her around the track in second, finishing a neck better than third-place finisher Scottish Lassie (McKinzie).

Previously unbeaten
GI Kentucky Oaks heroine and

1-4 favorite Good Cheer (Medaglia d'Oro) suffered her first career defeat finishing fifth.

DICHORSE

La Cara | Tod Marks

Sent to the front by Dylan Davis, La Cara led her five rivals by a length through fractions of :23.40 and :47.08. The 7-1 chance began to open up her advantage approaching the quarter pole as Good Cheer was spinning her wheels beneath Luis Saez, and

kept on rolling down the stretch to pull off the upset.

La Cara followed her frontrunning win in the GI Central
Bank Ashland S. at Keeneland
with a disappointing ninth-place
finish behind Good Cheer in the
Kentucky Oaks. La Cara's resume
also includes wins in last year's
GIII Pocahontas S. at Churchill
Downs and Tampa's Suncoast S.
earlier this term Feb. 8. La Cara
broke her maiden by eight
lengths last summer at the Spa.
"She likes it on the lead,"

"She likes it on the lead," winning trainer Mark Casse said. "She loves it here. She won her

maiden at Saratoga last year. In the paddock, Dylan (Davis) said she could handle this kind of mud and was going to be just fine."





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"I was just watching the splits and I thought when he got away with a half in :47 that was pretty good. I never get too excited until they go under the wire. The Oaks was disappointing, but we never lost faith in her."

Good Cheer wasn't off to the sharpest of beginnings and only beat one home after racing toward the rear throughout.

"She wasn't traveling," trainer Brad Cox said. "You could tell at the half-mile pole (jockey Luis Saez) was getting after her a little bit. The winner was obviously well in front. It just wasn't her day. Graveyard of champions, weather and tracks are a great equalizer."

Pedigree Notes:

La Cara is one of 13 Grade I winners for Street Sense. He is also the sire of 2014 Acorn winner Sweet Reason. The Street Sense x Bernardini cross is also responsible for fellow top-level winners Maxfield and Speaker's Corner.

Cara Caterina (Bernardini), a full-sister to GISWs To Honor and Serve and Angela Renee, brought \$500,000 from Farmer as a KEESEP yearling, but never got her picture taken in eight career attempts for Casse.

La Cara is her first foal. She produced a full-brother to La Cara in 2024.

"I bred her, I've seen her and been with her every day of her life," Farmer said. "You dream about this. I've won the Whitney twice here, so I've won several Grade I races here. But this is the best, and today is the best."

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La Cara and Dylan Davis | Sarah Andrew



Friday, Saratoga

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1--LA CARA, 120, f, 3, by Street Sense

1st Dam: Cara Caterina, by Bernardini 2nd Dam: Pilfer, by Deputy Minister 3rd Dam: Misty Hour, by Miswaki

O/B-Tracy Farmer (KY); T-Mark Casse; J-Dylan Davis. \$275,000. Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-0, \$1,156,083. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree or free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

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3rd Dam: Time to Dream, by Time for a Change
1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. (\$285,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP). O-Reddam
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(KY); T-Michael W. McCarthy. \$100,000.

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3--Scottish Lassie, 120, f, 3, by McKinzie

1st Dam: Bodebabe, by Bodemeister 2nd Dam: Zaharias, by Grand Slam

3rd Dam: Scarlet Tango, by French Deputy (\$50,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$85,000 2yo '24 OBSMAR). O-Sportsmen Stable, Parkland Thoroughbreds, Photos Finish LLC, Corms Racing Stable and Jorge R. Abreu; B-Winchester

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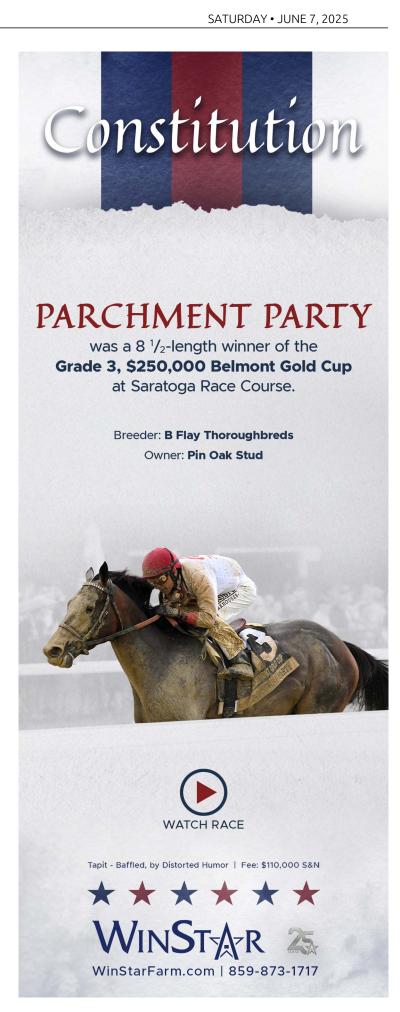
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The Acorn trophy presentation | *Tod Marks*



BELMONT STAKES NOTEBOOK: HAVING THE DERBY WINNER MAKES FOR A POPULAR BARN

by Tim Wilkin

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y.--As soon as **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief) crossed the finish line first in the GI Kentucky Derby, life changed for Hall of Fame trainer Bill Mott.

When you have the horse that wins the most famous race in America, the barn has a superstar in it.

"The Derby winner is always held in high regard," Mott said outside of his barn at the Oklahoma Training Track. "There are always a lot of people who want to see him. They want to see him train, the want to see him after the race."

Mott had won the Derby before, but, in 2019, his Country House (Lookin At Lucky) was awarded the victory after the disqualification of Maximum Security (New Year's Day). He went off at odds of 65-1.

After watching Sovereignty outrun Journalism (Curlin) at Churchill Downs five weeks ago, Mott was not going to try to compare the win to 2019.

"It was very gratifying," he said of this year's Derby. "But I can tell you we had a heckuva lot of fun winning the first one the way it was. We were thrilled. We loved Country House. He did a great job and ran a good race. We all celebrated and felt pretty good about it."

Mott never hesitated when it came to Sovereignty and the GI Preakness Stakes. He and Godolphin LLC, which owns the colt, made a quick decision and skipped the Preakness and a chance for the Triple Crown.

He wanted to give his horse plenty of time between the Kentucky Derby and the GI Belmont Stakes. That time has come and gone and here is Sovereignty, fresh and rested.



Sovereignty with Bill Mott | Sarah Andrew



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TWO HORSES TO WATCH FOR 2025/26 SEASON

by Dick Powell

Some young horses hit the ground running and their ability is exposed immediately. Romantic Warrior and California Spangle come to mind as there was no doubt that they were going to be serious horses. Dream Winner, on the other hand, won his first three starts by wide margins but just when it looked like he was going to be a serious horse he suffered and injury and never really lived up to massive expectations.

The past few weeks we have seen two young 3-year-olds that look like they will become major horses in the near future as they learn their lessons.

Top Dragon was dismissed at long odds in his first two career starts but rallied for second in that second start going 1200m (6 furlongs). He went off as the favorite next time out and missed by a head in fast time but his next race was so bad, he had to run well in a barrier trial to keep competing.



Top Gun (right) winning the Class 3 Oriental Express Handicap on 25 May 2025

The son of Pierata passed his barrier trial with flying colors then he showed up in another class 4 going 1400m (7 furlongs) and won by 2 ½ lengths while carrying 133 pounds; eased up in the brilliant time of 1:20.76 seconds. He was so good that his rating went up nine points and in his next start he rallied from far back to beat class 3 foes in 1:20.85 seconds while carrying 122 pounds. Since that one poor start, he has done everything right and finishes his races while striding out beautifully. Top Dragon is definitely one to watch as he continues to learn his lessons.

Dazzling Fit is nothing dazzling to look at. He is listed as a brown



Dazzling Fit winning the Class 4 Cox's Handicap on 4 May 2025

gelding but looks almost black on camera without any discernible markings. He might come in a plain wrapper but it disguises the excitement and expectations he is generating.

Like many of David Eustace's runners this year, he took his time early while improving. After two decent efforts against class 4 foes going 1200m (6 furlongs), he won easily two starts back by over a length covering the 1400m in 1:21.12 seconds while carrying 129 pounds. The son of Ribchester breaks alertly then waits for Luke Ferraris' cue. He settles nicely and despite racing between horses, he maintained his composure. When Ferraris asked him for more in the stretch, his response was immediate, and he pulled away to a strong win.

Since Dazzling Fit's rating only went up seven points, his last start was back in against class 4 and even with a 135-pound impost, he dominated his rivals. He dropped back some after a good start then raced effortlessly while biding his time. Like all good horses, Dazzling Fit has terrific cruising speed which brought him to a spot behind the leaders turning for home. A gap opened up with just over 300m to go and Ferraris asked him to go and in a few strides he was fighting for the lead. The final margin of 1 ¼ lengths could have been more and his time of 1:21.58 seconds was excellent.

Dazzling Fit's rating went up 8 points so he will probably have a couple of starts this season in class 3 where Top Dragon could be waiting for him. With only four career starts and two wins in a row, the sky is the limit for Dazzling Fit. It might be June of 2025 but it's not too early to think of next year's 4-year-old series.



Sovereignty will be making his seventh career start in the Belmont.

Mott showed how confident he was in the colt's ability at an early stage. After starting his career with a fourth-place finish in a maiden at Saratoga last

August, he was second a month later in another maiden at Aqueduct.

Mott saw big things in Sovereignty's future.

"Every race he has run in, he has shown up," Mott said. "Even in the maiden races, when he was beat--they were sprint races, and he was closing well--it propelled us into running as a maiden in a stake down at Churchill Downs."

That was the GIII Street Sense, and he won by five lengths as the favorite.

In three starts this year, he won the GII Fountain of Youth by a neck and then was second in the GI Florida Derby.

That race set him up for the Run for the Roses.

"I'm not going to make any excuses for him in the Florida Derby," Mott said. "That horse (Tappan Street) outran him, opened up on him on the turn. We were slowly getting to him approaching the wire, but not fast enough to get there. It got us

> just right for the (Kentucky) Derby day."

Baeza Began His Career On The Grass Trainer John Shirreffs never

Trainer John Shirreffs never really thought that his GI Belmont Stakes runner **Baeza** (McKinzie) was going to have a career on turf. But that is where the colt, owned by C R K Stable LLC and Grandview Equine, started his racing life.

Last Dec. 1, Baeza made his first start on the grass at Del Mar. He ran a mile, didn't do much, and finished ninth in a



Baeza works at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew

field of 11.

"It was getting towards the end of the Del Mar meet and there was a space between Del Mar and Santa Anita," Shirreffs said as



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he watched Baeza graze in the barn area of the Oklahoma Training Track. "It was really important to get a race into him as soon as possible."

Shirreffs said he chose the grass because the horse did not have to be at his optimum fitness level.

"It just gave us an opportunity to see what we had," Shirreffs said.

Of course, Baeza has made strides since running on the main track. After breaking his maiden in the second try on dirt, he was second in the GI Santa Anita Derby and third in the GI Kentucky Derby. And he was only beat a neck in Louisville by Journalism (Curlin), who was 1 1/2 lengths behind Sovereignty.

They are all meeting here in the Belmont; the first time since 2013 that the top three finishers from the Kentucky Derby have hooked up in the final leg of the Triple Crown.

Baeza will be the first horse Shirreffs starts in Saratoga since 2015 when he spent the summer here. His last starter was in Sept. 3, 2015; his last win came with Smart Transition (Smart Strike), who took the Curlin Stakes and then finished sixth in the GI Travers Stakes.

Shirreffs has high hopes for Baeza, who is 4-1 on the Belmont morning line.

"I think the farther he goes, the better he gets," Shirreffs said. "He doesn't seem like he has any distance limitations."

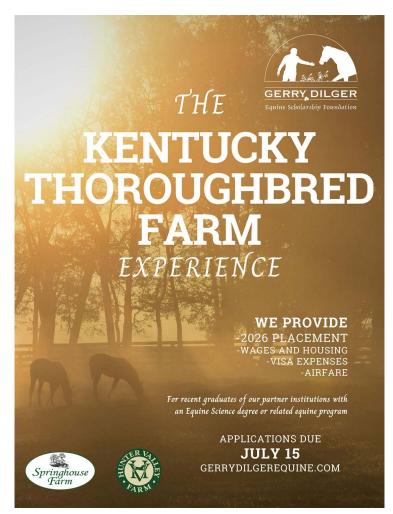


Journalism trains at Saratoga | Sarah Andrew

Weather Outlook Has Improved For Saturday

The weather forecast for Belmont Day, dire at the start of the week, has improved significantly.

Paul Caino, the chief meteorologist for the local NBC affiliate, WNYT in Albany, said scattered thunderstorms, which were expected Friday night into Saturday, should mostly clear out by early afternoon.



"We could have rain and thunderstorms before lunch time," Caino said. "We're not home free for the rest of the day. Between 1 and 4, there could be some scattered storms. I don't think there will be a lot of rain, but I'm not going to rule it out."

Caino said the sun could make an appearance in late afternoon and, by the time the GI Belmont Stakes goes to post at 7:04 p.m., there should be no chance of rain.

The GI Kentucky Derby, won by Sovereignty (Into Mischief), was run over a sloppy track at Churchill Downs. The GI Preakness, won by Journalism (Curlin), was contested on a fast track at Pimlico Race Course.

"It is what it," said Michael McCarthy, Journalism's trainer. "We are here, he is running."

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THE EMPIRE FINALLY STRIKES BACK AS DORTH VADER UPSETS 'WAYI' OGDEN

PHIPPS by Stefanie Grimm



Dorth Vader | Tod Marks

Maybe it was the sloppy sealed track. Or the 1 1/8 mile distance. Or maybe, just maybe, the force was with her Friday. Rail-drawn Florida-bred Dorth Vader (Girvin) stepped up against the highly-touted Chad Brown-trained duo of Raging Sea (Curlin) and Randomized (Nyquist) to conquer the "Win and You're In" GI Ogden Phipps Stakes, stamping a ticket to the GI

Breeders' Cup Distaff at Del Mar this November.

Making her third start off a significant layoff, Dorth Vader entered 2025 with something to prove. She hadn't won since t he 2023 GII Davona Dale Stakes, though she hadn't exactly disgraced herself either when second by a head to 'TDN Rising Star' Pretty Mischievous (Into Mischief) in the 2023 edition of the GI Acorn Stakes. Largely rested since a fourth in the GI Test Stakes that summer, Dorth Vader has made only three starts in the years since with two of them coming just this spring.

Another fourth, this time to Idiomatic (Curlin) in last year's GI La Troienne Stakes, marked her only start of 2024. Clearly trainer George Weaver lost no confidence in this homebred coming back a 5-year-old as she ran second at Gulfstream in an allowance race March 28 and jumped right back into the deep waters to tackle the La Troienne where was fourth once again to the aforementioned Raging Sea and Randomized.

Drawn on the rail for her third-straight race, Dorth Vader bound out smartly and was outrun into the first turn only by the speedier Dazzling Move (Not This Time) for Saffie Joseph Jr. while a pair of horses, including 5-2 second choice and defending race champion Randomized, kept pace further out. Kept against the rail in a tightly-bunched group with only evenmoney favorite Raging Sea left behind, the 8-1 chance stayed

right in the tracks of Dazzling Move just in front as the opening fractions ticked by in :22.90 and 46.41. Right as the field passed the half-mile pole, Dorth Vader began to angle out and the top pair began to open up on the rest with several lengths back to 'TDN Rising Star' Tarifa (Bernardini). It was clear by the quarter pole that the race was on only for third as Dorth Vader drew past the early pacesetter inside the furlong pole and cleared off nicely, leaving far too much work to do for Raging Sea who did her best to close an insurmountable gap to finish a clear third.

"I still wasn't sure she wanted to go that far," said Weaver.

"When I first got her, I was like, 'Man, this filly does not need blinkers.' I thought that from the beginning. I never took them off until this year, and it's paying dividends. She's really getting into a nice, comfortable groove early in the race and I think it's helping her get the two turns. She's a high-strung filly, but she's like fine wine. She's getting better with age."



John Ropes, Dorothy Harden and George Weaver | Sarah Andrew

"I was expecting this kind of trip, really," added winning rider John Velazquez. "I thought probably a little more speed showed up. I mean, they went fast enough anyways. My horse settled the way I wanted her to. When I showed [speed], the other horse [Dazzling Move] kind of took off a little bit. I got a good position on the backstretch, and from then on, I was very comfortable. She wanted to be forward. She handled it [the track] very well."

Leaving no doubt as to his mare's next step, winning owner/breeder John Ropes added: "She should have won the [La Troienne]. She was getting ready to roll and we got cut off. We knew we could win today. George thought she is probably in the best shape she's ever been and this is her time. Plus, we had to have the jockey to pull it off and there aren't better than Johnny with his patience and ability to read the track. I was worried turning for home because her best runs are in the stretch. [Wet conditions] give everyone a pause, but I thought

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Pedigree Note:

Dorth Vader is the second top-level winner for Airdrie Stud's Girvin, joining GI Starlet Stakes victress and 'TDN Rising Star' Faiza. Stakes-placed first dam Hardcore Candy, a half to MSW Chestnut Lady (Horse Chestnut {SAf}), is responsible for five winners from eight to race with Dorth Vader clearly the class of her crop. Last through the ring unsold on a final bid of just \$5,500 at the OBS Winter Mixed Sale in 2020, Hardcore Candy has a pair of full-sisters to this new Grade I-winner in 2024's appropriately-named Revenge of the Sis joining her 2025 filly.

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Dorth Vader | Sarah Andrew

2--Dazzling Move, 120, f, 4, by Not This Time

1st Dam: Lady Liam, by Saint Liam 2nd Dam: Tricki Mae, by Phone Trick 3rd Dam: Pamela Kay, by Hold Your Peace

1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. (\$85,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$135,000 2yo '23 EASMAY). O-Miller Racing LLC; B-Jesse Korona (ON); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. \$100,000.

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3--Raging Sea, 124, m, 5, by Curlin

1st Dam: Stormy Welcome, by Storm Cat 2nd Dam: Welcome Surprise, by Seeking the Gold 3rd Dam: Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat

(\$300,000 RNA Ylg '21 KEESEP). O/B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. \$60,000.

Margins: 4 3/4, 1 3/4, 16. Odds: 8.80, 12.50, 1.10.

Also Ran: Tarifa, Randomized, Leslie's Rose. Scratched: Candied. Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



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Friday, Saratoga

OGDEN PHIPPS S. PRESENTED BY FORD-GI, \$485,000, Saratoga, 6-6, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:49.10, sy.

1--DORTH VADER, 118, m, 5, by Girvin

1st Dam: Hardcore Candy (SP, \$101,308),

by Yonaguska

2nd Dam: Its a Girl, by Thunder Gulch 3rd Dam: Ladyago, by Northern Dancer

1ST GRADE I WIN. O/B-John Ropes (FL); T-George Weaver; J-John R. Velazquez. \$275,000. Lifetime Record: 15-5-2-1,

\$893,218. Werk Nick Rating: B+.

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Dorth Vader and John Velazquez head into the winner's circle for the Ogden Phipps | Sarah Andrew



She Feels Pretty | Sarah Andrew

SHE FEELS PRETTY OUTRUNS BEACH BOMB TO WIN THE NEW YORK by Stefanie Grimm

She had to work for this one but She Feels Pretty (Karakontie {Jpn}) added yet another Grade I win to her resume (her fourth overall) with a gutsy victory over 17-1 longshot Beach Bomb (SAf) (Lancaster Bomber) in the GI New York Stakes Friday.

Practically untouchable for trainer Cherie DeVaux, the 4-year-old made just the second start of the year but came back in style by winning the GIII Modesty Stakes at Churchill on the Kentucky Oaks undercard May 2. All that after capping her 3-year-old campaign with back-to-back Grade I wins in the Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup Stakes at Keeneland in October and the American Oaks in California Dec. 26. Her last run over this 1 3/16-mile distance came back last summer when she was third as the beaten favorite in the GI Belmont Oaks Invitational.

Drawn widest of the eight-horse field and facing a turf course labeled as yielding for the first time in her career, She Feels Pretty had enough tactical early speed to get herself into a nice, stalking position third on the run into the clubhouse turn. Longshot Edict (Arg) (Il Campione {Chi}) was keen to go up front for Manny Franco and was chased intently by the Graham Motion entree Beach Bomb in second through early fractions of :24.27 and :51.30. Through it all, She Feels Pretty raced two wide just off the flank of Bellezza (Ire) (Siyouni {Fr}) in a solo fourth until given a cue just past the half-mile marker for John Velazquez (who netted his fourth win of the card here). Coming with a strong run but still wide, She Feels Pretty lost out on the first jump as Beach Bomb was also gearing up to take on Edict with a quarter-mile left to run. Three wide at the top of the stretch, the favorite was clearly going to have to work to put Beach Bomb away to her inside and just managed to do so inside the final sixteenth to win in her tightest finish since last summer.

"Just kind of overwhelmed," said DeVaux after the race.
"Having a filly like that is super special. I think of all things this is what she would least be wanting to do. I don't think she likes the [soft grass] course. [Jockey] Johnny [Velazquez] commented that the first time around she didn't really tug him around there, but she's such a professional. She just did it."

Of her filly's next start, DeVaux said: "We are targeting the [GI] Diana [July 12 at Saratoga]. That was always the plan for her. As long as she comes out of this in good shape, that will be her next target."

Velazquez added: "She was not loving it [the yielding turf], but she was running pretty good. She's a little bit better when she's sitting behind someone. I waited with that horse [No. 5, Edict] in front of me into the first turn, I went in right behind. I followed the horse that was in front, right behind into the first turn and I sat right behind her, that's what she likes - to follow somebody."

Pedigree Note:

One of 17 stakes winner for Gainesway stallion Karakontie (Jpn), She Feels Pretty is out of a winning mare in Summer Sweet who sold to Payson Stud for \$550,000 as a 2-year-old at KEEJAN in 2016. The mare is herself a half to several successful runners including SW Summer Breezing (Langfuhr), SW/GSP Adirondack Summer (Thunder Gulch) and GISP Summer Solo (Arch), the dam of MGSW Solo Album (Curlin) and SW/GSP Maedean (Tapit). This is the family of French MG1SW Act One (GB) (In the Wings {GB}), G1SP Gharir (Ire) (Machiavellian) and G1SP Summer Symphony (Ire) (Caerleon). She Feels Pretty has a 2-year-old half-sister named She Feels Stunning (American Pharoah) on the work tab at Keeneland along with a yearling Olympiad half-sister and a filly half-sister by Justify reported this year.





She Feels Pretty poses for her photo | *Sarah Andrew*



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Saratoga, 6-6, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16mT, 2:00.76, yl.

1--SHE FEELS PRETTY, 124, f, 4, by Karakontie (Jpn)

1st Dam: Summer Sweet, by More Than Ready 2nd Dam: Summer Solstice (Ire), by Caerleon 3rd Dam: Summer Sonnet (GB), by Baillamont

(\$240,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Lael Stables; B-Payson Stud Inc (KY); T-Cherie DeVaux; J-John R. Velazquez. \$412,500. Lifetime Record: 10-7-1-2, \$1,784,957. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++.**

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2--Beach Bomb (Saf), 124, m, 5, by Lancaster Bomber 1st Dam: Beach Beauty (Saf) (Ch. Older Mare-SAF, Ch. Older Mare-SAF, Broodmare Of The Year-SAF, MG1SW-SAF, \$576,854), by Dynasty (Saf) 2nd Dam: Sun Coast (Saf), by Capture Him 3rd Dam: Leisure (Saf), by Hobnob (Fr)

O-Cayton Park Stud; B-Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs. G. A. Rupert) (SAF); T-H. Graham Motion. \$150,000.

3--Bellezza (Ire), 120, f, 4, by Siyouni (Fr)

1st Dam: Terrific (Ire) (SP-Ire), by Galileo (Ire) 2nd Dam: Shadow Song (Ire), by Pennekamp 3rd Dam: Evening Air, by J. O. Tobin

1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. O/B-Moyglare Stud Farm (IRE); T-Miguel Clement. \$90,000.

Margins: HF, 4, HF. Odds: 0.50, 17.10, 6.50.

Also Ran: Forever After All, Miwa (GB), Edict (Arg), Gimme a Nother (Saf). Scratched: Immensitude (Fr). Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



She Feels Pretty leads in the field | *Tod Marks*

NIGHT OF THUNDER'S DYNAMIC PRICING STORMS CLEAR IN JUST A GAME by Alan Carasso



Dynamic Pricing | *Tod Marks*

Klaravich Stables' **Dynamic Pricing (Ire)** (Night of Thunder {Ire}) beat **Excellent Truth (Ire)** (Cotai Glory {Ire}) to a spot at a crucial stage in Friday's GI Just A Game Stakes at a very soggy Saratoga and outstprinted the 8-5 chalk to the wire to give trainer Chad Brown his eighth victory in the one-mile contest in its last nine renewals and a fourth in succession.

Half of those eight Just A Game winners were ridden by Irad Ortiz, Jr., but he elected to jump off the last-out GIII Beaugay Stakes winner in favor of the speedy **Kehoe Beach** (Omaha Beach), and even though there appeared to be plenty of speed signed on, the pair were loose on the lead through an opening quarter in :24.25, a testing-enough split over ground listed officially as yielding, but playing much slower in actual fact.

For his part, Dylan Davis had Dynamic Pricing settled one from the tail and, making the most of the inside draw, kept the filly close to the inside while creeping a bit closer to race underneath Excellent Truth through a half in :48.82. Davis went for Dynamic Pricing about three furlongs out, coming around the prominently ridden, but now retreating Segesta (Ghostzapper) and critically taking a four-path run outside of GI Jenny Wiley Stakes winner Choisya (GB) (Night of Thunder {Ire}) and inside of Excellent Truth approaching the quarter pole. The duo raced shoulder-to-shoulder into the final furlong, but Dynamic Pricing got through the ground slightly the better--particularly after switching leads--and proved a one-length winner. It was the third 1-2 finish on the program for Brown and his fourth overall on Friday.

A debut winner in a single juvenile appearance, Dynamic Pricing relished the easy underfoot conditions when taking last year's GIII Edgewood Stakes at Churchill Downs at nearly 9-1 and closed the campaign with third-place efforts to stablemate Grayosh (Yoshida {Jpn}) in this track's GII Lake Placid Stakes in August and in the Winter Memories Stakes at Aqueduct Sept. 13, both times by narrow margins. She made her seasonal reappearance in the Beaugay on May 4, coming with a nine- or 10-wide sweep into the lane and sustaining her momentum to score by a half-length.

The Just A Game may not have been Plan A for Brown, but the conditioner admitted that the filly talked him into it.

"Seth [Klarman] and I kicked it around and it was sort of a last-minute entry that I had marked and I was kind of in and out," Brown said. "Last year, you could tell if you looked at her [at the end of the season], she just was burnt out mentally and just didn't look good. I think she was just a bit over the whole season and needed a freshening and I have wonderful owners in Seth and Beth Klarman who allowed me to run the show."

Added Klarman, whose 'TDN Rising Star' Ways and Means (Practical Joke) romped in the GII Bed O'Roses Stakes earlier in the day: "I so love being back at Saratoga. We have a couple of really nice fillies. Feel so blessed, thank you.

"[Dynamic Pricing]'s been training great. Chad was optimistic that she had a big shot. She came back better than ever after winning the Beaugay. We felt really good about this."



Chad Brown and Dylan Davis | Tod Marks

Pedigree Notes:

Dynamic Pricing's dam was bred and raced by the late His Highness The Aga Khan, winning her maiden at career start number three at Vichy for trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre. Unplaced in three subsequent appearances, Shemda was knocked down to Badgers Bloodstock for €100,000 (\$117,740) at the 2017 Arqana December Mixed Sale, was put in foal to Showcasing (GB) and was purchased by Denis Brosnan's Epona Bloodstock for 110,000gns (\$146,951) at Tattersalls December in late 2018.

Dynamic Pricing is the third foal from her dam, whose half-brother Shamida (Ire) (Australia {GB}) was a treble Group 3 winner in Ireland at three and four for trainer Dermot Weld at distances from 12 to 14 furlongs, but sadly passed away in 2024.

On behalf of Klaravich, Mike Ryan gave 170,000gns (\$204,442) for Dynamic Pricing at the 2022 October Sale from the draft of the Brosnans' Croom House Stud at Tattersalls, a happy and productive hunting ground for Klaravich where top horses such as the additional Grade I winners Program Trading (GB) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), Newspaperofrecord (Ire) (Lope de Vega {Ire}), McKulick (GB) (Frankel {GB}) and Domestic Spending (GB) (Kingman {GB}) have been sourced.

Dynamic Pricing is the seventh elite-level scorer for Darley Europe's Night of Thunder. According to the Croom House website, Shemda is the dam of a yearling colt by Mehmas (Ire) that is headed to Book 1 of this year's October Sale, a full-brother to Dynamic Pricing foaled this past February and was bred back to Night of Thunder.

Friday, Saratoga

JUST A GAME S. PRESENTED BY RESOLUTE RACING-GI,

\$500,000, Saratoga, 6-6, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38.77, yl.

1--DYNAMIC PRICING (IRE), 122, f, 4, by Night of Thunder (Ire)

1st Dam: Shemda (Ire), by Dutch Art (GB)

2nd Dam: Shamooda (Ire), by Azamour (Ire) 3rd Dam: Shemaka (Ire), by Nishapour (Fr)

1ST GRADE I WIN. (170,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT). O-Klaravich Stables, Inc.; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Dylan Davis. \$275,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-3, \$772,125.

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

Another Irish-bred G1 WINNER

2--Excellent Truth (Ire), 118, m, 5, by Cotai Glory (GB)

1st Dam: Moment of Truth (Ire), by Teofilo (Ire)

2nd Dam: Goldthroat (Ire), by Zafonic

3rd Dam: Winger (GB), by In the Wings (GB)

(€52,000 Ylg '21 GOFOR; €1,600,000 4yo '24 ARQDEC).

O-Resolute Racing; B-S. Russell (IRE); T-C. Brown. \$100,000.

3--Special Wan (Ire), 120, m, 5, by Belardo (Ire)

1st Dam: Fast Jazz (Ire), by Frozen Power (Ire)

2nd Dam: Slow Jazz, by Chief's Crown

3rd Dam: Blue Note (Fr), by Habitat

1ST G1 BLACK TYPE. (£225,000 RNA 3yo '23 GOFASC). O-Team Valor International LLC and Steven Rocco; B-Kilnamoragh Stud (IRE); T-Brendan P. Walsh. \$60,000.

Margins: 3/4, 1, NK. Odds: 10.00, 1.60, 5.60.

Also Ran: Kehoe Beach, Simply in Front, Segesta, Choisya (GB), Do Gooder, A Lilac Rolla (Ire). Scratched: Heredia (GB), Sacred Wish. Click for the Equibase.com chart or the TJCIS.com PPs. VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.



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Ways and Means was a dominant winner | Tod Marks

Friday, Saratoga

BED O' ROSES S.-GII, \$300,000, Saratoga, 6-6, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:21.11, ft.

1--WAYS AND MEANS, 124, f, 4, by Practical Joke

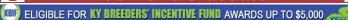
1st Dam: Strong Incentive (SW, \$123,568), by Warrior's Reward

2nd Dam: G G's Dolly, by Comic Strip 3rd Dam: Parfait, by Kingmambo

'TDN Rising Star'. O/B-Klaravich Stables (KY); T-Chad C. Brown; J-Flavien Prat. \$165,000. Lifetime Record: GISW 10-5-2-1, \$997,500. *1/2 to Surge Capacity (Flintshire {GB}), GISW, \$547,100 and Highly Motivated (Into Mischief), GSW, \$667,375. Werk Nick Rating: A+++. *Triple Plus* Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

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2--**Scylla**, 124, m, 5, Tapit--Close Hatches, by First Defence. O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-William I. Mott. \$60,000.

3--**Jody's Pride**, 124, f, 4, American Pharoah--Jody's Song, by Scat Daddy. O-Parkland Thoroughbreds and Sportsmen Stable; B-Mr. Steve Weston (KY); T-Jorge R. Abreu. \$36,000.

Margins: 7 3/4, 6 1/4, NO. Odds: 0.50, 4.50, 8.30.

Also Ran: Miss Justify, Irish Maxima, Justique, St. Benedicts Prep.

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A 2024 Eclipse Award finalist in the Female Sprinter category, Ways and Means chaired the GII Bed o' Roses Stakes session like a seasoned pro at the Spa on Friday afternoon.

Named a **'TDN Rising Star'** after debuting a winner by an eyecatching 12 3/4 lengths as a juvenile upstate that August, the filly last season turned in a sparkling performance when she netted the GI Test Stakes over the local course Aug. 3, and followed that up with a score in the GII Gallant Bloom Stakes at

the Big A Sept. 29. Ways and Means went off as the favorite in the GI PNC Bank Filly & Mare Sprint at Del Mar, but she finished off the board to close out her year. Returning to kick start her 4-year-old campaign, the homebred was third in the GII Derby City Distaff on the 'Run for the Roses' undercard.

The favorite here was in the mix shortly after the bell, but Irish Maxima (Maximus Mischief) punched the accelerator from the rail and led up the backstretch. Ways and Means dogged her track to the outside around the far turn and was full of run at the top of the lane. Shooting over to the rail, the Chad Brown trainee flashed more speed and took home the prize. 'TDN Rising Star' Scylla ran on for second.

"She loves Saratoga, and she's a super nice horse," said trainer Chad Brown. "She's won on a sloppy track before, but now that we're getting to run her more, she now has 10 career starts, you can see she does prefer a fast track.

"I was confident she was training very well, but I'll tell you, entering that final turn there she was catching a lot of pressure between horses and Scylla is a nice horse and was closer today and getting a nice ground-saving trip. I thought maybe it would be quite a showdown in the middle of the stretch there but [Ways and Means] did burst away from there, which was impressive."

Pedigree Notes:

Practical Joke (by Into Mischief), who showed his own affinity for racing upstate when he broke his maiden on debut then won the GI Hopeful Stakes and later the GI H. Allen Jerkens Stakes, was campaigned by Seth Klarman in partnership with William H. Lawrence.

The same partnership entered Ways and Means's Ontario-bred dam, Strong Incentive (Warrior's Reward), who registered a career high in Woodbine's Jammed Lovely Stakes. She brought \$2.15 million from Alpha Delta Stables in foal to Good Magic at the 2023 Fasig-Tipton November Sale.

Ways and Means is the third graded winner from her dam, who is also responsible for Klaravich's graded winner Highly Motivated (Into Mischief) and Grade I heroine Surge Capacity (Flintshire {GB}). The Bed o' Roses winner is part of an extended female family which includes GII Penn Mile Stakes hero Wow Whata Summer (Summer Front).

Strong Incentive produced a filly by Good Magic last year and was bred back to Into Mischief for this season.

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Friday, Saratoga

BELMONT GOLD CUP S.-GIII*, \$250,000, Saratoga, 6-6, 4yo/up, 1 3/4m (off turf), 2:57.86, sy.

1--PARCHMENT PARTY, 124, c, 4, by Constitution

1st Dam: Life Well Lived, by Tiznow 2nd Dam: Well Dressed, by Notebook 3rd Dam: Trithenia, by Gold Meridian

'TDN Rising Star' 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES

WIN. (\$450,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Pin Oak Stud LLC; B-B Flay Thoroughbreds (KY); T-William I Mott; J-John R Velazquez. \$137,500. Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, \$329,101. *1/2 to Muqtaser (Distorted Humor), MGSP, \$303,605; and American Patriot (War Front), GISW, \$487,272. Werk Nick Rating: A++. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

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2--Yo Daddy, 124, c, 4, Yoshida (Jpn)--Elle Stormin', by Tale of the Cat. (\$29,000 RNA 2yo '23 OBSOPN). O-Winning Move Stable; B-Big Chief Racing LLC & Rocker O Ranch LLC (KY); T-Linda Rice. \$50,000.

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3--Padiddle, 118, g, 5, Empire Maker--Belle Chaussee, by Giant's Causeway. (\$205,000 Wlg '20 FTKNOV; \$250,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). O-Imaginary Stables; B-Frankfort Park Farm (KY); T-Fernando Abreu. \$30,000.

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Margins: 8HF, 14HF, 3/4. Odds: 7.00, 4.10, 15.10. *Automatically downgraded due to surface switch.

Also Ran: Flatten the Curve (Fr), Curbstone, Timeout, Tawny Port, Grand Sonata. Scratched: Anglophile, La Mehana (Fr), Limited Liability, Lord Flintshire, The Ginger Wizard (Ire). Click for the Equipses complete and the TICIS complete.

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'TDN Rising Star' Parchment Party slid on his duck boots and ran on nicely after making the GII Belmont Gold Cup as a 'main

track only' entrant. With significant rainfall in the offing during the afternoon, the race was reduced one level when it was taken off the grass and cutback from two miles to one and

three-quarters.

Still, entries were prepared to chase the 'Golden Ticket' which offered the victor an automatic berth in the Nov. 4 running of the G1 Lexus Melbourne Cup worth more than AUD \$8 million. The Gold Cup represents a continuation of the partnership between NYRA and the Victoria Racing Club.

The Bill Mott trainee was handed a 'Rising Star' badge after clearing second out an optional claimer at Churchill Downs late in his juvenile year. His Hall of Fame trainer tried the bay over the grass on both Florida tracks this past spring--in an optional claimer at Tampa Feb. 15 and in the GII Mac Diarmida Stakes at Gulfstream Mar. 1--but the results were mixed at best. Getting back on the dirt going nine furlongs versus optional claimers at Keeneland Apr. 19, Parchment Party was the runner-up behind GI Met Mile hopeful Just a Touch (Justify) before hitting the board facing optional claimers under the Twin Spires May 17.

Sent on his way as a 7-1 shot here, Parchment Party watched as fellow 'main track only' entrant Yo Daddy set the pace. The 4-year-old loped along past the grandstand for the first time until the field entered the backstretch. At that point, the colt began to move up, picking off opponents one by one. Parchment Party had the leader in his sights around the far turn and with a strong kick easily passed Yo Daddy to earn the cup convincingly.



Parchment Party | Tod Marks

"At 1 o'clock in the afternoon it looked like we were not going to run," said trainer Bill Mott. "We gave the horses their regular lunch and put some water in for them, and all of a sudden I looked up and said we'd better change course here and get these horses ready to run. So we cleaned them up, put the bridles on them and brought them over."

On a potential start in the Melbourne Cup, Mott said: "I'm happy to have won but I don't know if I'll be able to accept the invitation. I'd love to go to a race like the Melbourne Cup, but when I do I want to go with the right horse."

Pedigree Notes:

Parchment Party, bred on the same cross that produced GI Belmont Stakes hero and GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Tiz the Law and Grade III winner and 'TDN Rising Star' We the People,



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The National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) is seeking a dynamic and strategic individual to lead the organization's national communications efforts and serve as a resource for member tracks and partners. This individual will play a central role in shaping the public narrative around Thoroughbred racing by providing expert counsel in public relations strategy, crisis communications, and proactively pitching positive stories highlighting the industry's progress.

This full-time role, which reports to the NTRA President and CEO, is ideal for a seasoned communications professional with strong media relationships, a deep understanding of public relations, and a strong appreciation for Thoroughbred racing.

- Strategic Communications Support: Provide support to NTRA member tracks and industry organizations on PR strategies, messaging, and media engagement. Lead efforts to elevate positive narratives for Thoroughbred racing in the national spotlight.
- · Media Relations: Cultivate and maintain strong relationships with national, regional, and industry media. Proactively pitch stories that highlight the sport's progress in areas such as safety and integrity, fan engagement, technology and hospitality.
- Crisis Communications: Serve as a trusted advisor in the development and execution of timely and effective crisis communication plans for the NTRA and member organizations.
- Content Collaboration: Collaborate with external partners (e.g., America's Best Racing, Light Up Racing, and others) to shape and guide cohesive content strategies that align with industry messaging and outreach goals.
- Industry Communications Calls: Lead and facilitate monthly communications calls with PR professionals across member tracks and organizations. Increase the frequency of calls around major racing events such as the Triple Crown series and the Breeders' Cup.
- Spokesperson Duties: In coordination with NTRA leadership, identify and potentially serve as a spokesperson for the NTRA and, when appropriate, for partner tracks and industry initiatives.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in Communications, Public Relations, Journalism, Marketing, or a related field.
- 7-10 years of professional experience in public relations, crisis communications, or sports marketing, preferably in a high-profile or fastpaced environment.
- Strong understanding and appreciation of Thoroughbred racing and the broader horse racing industry.
- Demonstrated success in developing and executing strategic communication plans.
- · Excellent verbal and written communication skills; media training or spokesperson experience.
- · Strong organizational skills and ability to manage multiple priorities under tight deadlines.
- · Proven ability to collaborate with cross-functional teams and external partners.

ABOUT THE NTRA

The NTRA, based in Lexington, Ky., and Washington, D.C., is a broad-based coalition of more than 100 horse racing interests and thousands of individual stakeholders consisting of horseplayers, racetrack operators, owners, breeders, trainers and affiliated horse racing associations, charged with increasing the popularity, welfare and integrity of Thoroughbred racing. In addition to the NTRA President and CEO, the NTRA Board of Directors consists of individuals representing Breeders' Cup Limited; Churchill Downs, Inc.; Del Mar Thoroughbred Club; FanDuel Racing; Horseplayers; The Jockey Club; Maryland Jockey Club; Monmouth Park; New York Racing Association, Inc; Oaklawn Jockey Club; PENN Entertainment; Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association; Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association; Thoroughbred Owners of California; Thoroughbred Racing Associations; and 1/ST Racing.

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is half-brother to Muqtaser (Distorted Humor), MGSP, \$303,605; and Darley Japan stallion American Patriot (War Front), GISW, \$487,272, and is out of Life Well Lived--a full-sister to MGI/G1SW Well Armed--who was purchased by Bobby Flay in foal to American Pharoah for \$1.25 million at the 2017 Keeneland November Sale.

Life Well Lived is also related to GSW Witty (Distorted Humor), the dam of GSW Bombard (War Front) and MGSP Amuse (Medaglia d'Oro); and to Well Lived (Tiznow), whose recently retired daughter Played Hard (Into Mischief) won the GI La Troienne Stakes. This is also the family of two-time Japanese Horse of the Year Symboli Kris S (Kris S.).

Life Well Lived--who was RNAd for \$775,000 when offered in foal to Curlin at KEENOV in 2019--has a 3-year-old full brother to Parchment Party and was purchased by Machmer Hall for \$360,000 at the 2023 Keeneland November Sale while carrying another full-brother to the Gold Cup winner. Life Well Lived produced yet another colt by Constitution this spring and she is reported back in foal, this time to Practical Joke, for 2026.

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FRIDAY LIVE RACING CANCELLED AT WOODBINE DUE TO POOR AIR QUALITY

Woodbine cancelled its Friday races due to poor air quality from wildfires in the area, the racetrack said in a press release.

Environment Canada's air quality index for Toronto was listed as 'High Risk' Friday and was expected to remain at that level throughout the day. As of Thursday, the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Center said 201 fires were burning in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario.

Woodbine Entertainment's decision to cancel came through consultation with the HBPA and the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) and was consistent with the AGCO's air quality guidelines.

According to the Woodbine release, the cancellation "was made in the best interests of the health and safety of the horses and racing participants."

10 races are scheduled for Saturday with first post at 1:05 p.m.

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Bill Mott celebrates with John Velazquez | Sarah Andrew

GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM ON RACING OPENS REGISTRATION FOR 2025 EVENT

Registration is open for the Global Symposium on Racing, which will take place December 8-10, 2025, at Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson, Arizona, the event announced Friday.

The Global Symposium on Racing brings together leaders and innovators from every corner of the horse racing world to explore the industry's most pressing challenges and emerging opportunities. Over the course of three days and more than a dozen panel sessions, attendees will engage in discussions and gain valuable insights.

This year's Symposium will feature a pre-conference media training workshop titled 'Calm. Clear. Credible: Responding When Racing's Under Fire', led by Vicky Leonard in collaboration with Light Up Racing. A full agenda of topics and speakers will be released later in the summer.

The Symposium also offers an opportunity to network with colleagues, engage with industry leaders, and support the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program with complimentary registration once again available for all alumni.

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GRADED STAKES ENTRIES



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

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Hill Road 🖛	Quality Road	Amo Racing USA	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	10-1
2	Sovereignty	Into Mischief	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	2-1
3	Rodriguez 🖛	Authentic	SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables	Baffert	Smith	8-5
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Determin	ied		
			Stables, Masterson, Robert E., Ryan, Tom J.,			
			Waves Edge Capital LLC and Donovan, Catherine			
4	Uncaged 🖛	Curlin	WinStar Farm LLC and Repole Stable	Pletcher	Saez	30-1
5	Crudo 🖛	Justify	Flay, Bobby and Ventura, James	Pletcher	Velazquez	15-1
6	Baeza 🖛	McKinzie	C R K Stable LLC and Grandview Equine	Shirreffs	Prat	4-1
7	Journalism	Curlin	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Bridlewood Farm,	McCarthy	Rispoli	8-5
			Don Alberto Stable, Bob LaPenta, Elayne Stables F	ive,		
			Magnier, Mrs. John, Tabor, Michael B. & Smith, Dei	rrick		
8	Heart of Honor (GB)	Honor A. P.	Jim And Claire Limited	Osborne	Osborne	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

Sovereignty (Into Mischief) proved that he's the leader of the 3-year-old division in the GI Kentucky Derby and has had five weeks to prepare over his home track for this. The pace should be honest enough to help set up another huge run from him. Baeza (McKinzie) may work out a perfect trip sitting just off the expected leaders and continues to move forward with each start, including a fast-closing third with trouble on the first Saturday in May. Journalism (Curlin) is a deserving favorite after a fantastic runner-up effort in the Derby and a GI Preakness S. win for the ages. 'TDN Rising Star' Rodriguez (Authentic) is the one to catch, but will have to deal with early pace pressure from **Crudo** (Justify). -- Steve Sherack

Saturday, Saratoga #8, post time: 3:17 p.m. EDT

CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN." HILL 'N' DALE METROPOLITAN H.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3vo/up. 1m

			COP			
PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Fierceness	City of Light	D Smith, Repole Stable, M Tabor, Mrs. J Magnier	Pletcher	Velazquez	1-1
2	White Abarrio	Race Day	C2 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	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

Just a Touch (Justify) looks primed for a breakout performance on the big stage (as potentially the third choice) following a pair of ultra-impressive allowance victories for Brad Cox so far this season. The turnback in distance should suit him quite well, too. Prefer the rail-drawn 'TDN Rising Star' Fierceness (City of Light), who is a perfect three-for-three at Saratoga, including last year's GI Travers S., of the two expected favorites. -- Steve Sherack

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	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, 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

'TDN Rising Star' Far Bridge (English Channel) is the pick. A win here by trainer Miguel Clement after the recent death of his father would make for a great story. The experienced runner has won four of his last five with the only defeat coming in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf. If he takes the Manhattan, then he will be the best male turf horse in training. But he has to beat Spirit of St Louis (Medaglia d'Oro), who has graduated from New York-bred races to become one of the top turf horses in the country. 'TDN Rising Star' Deterministic (Liam' Map) is another from the Clement barn. He's been racing against a little easier company, but his speed makes him dangerous. --Bill Finley

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, 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, 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 Prtners	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

Think Big (Twirling Candy) has been on a tear since trainer Michael Stidham removed the blinkers. That has resulted in two straight wins and a pair of triple digit Beyers. The filly Ag Bullet (Twirling Candy) is not out of this. She had a terrible trip in the Unbridled Sidney Stakes. She could be second early on, right behind Coppola (Into Mischief), which could mean a great trip. My Boy Prince (Cairo's Prince) ran very well in the Elusive Quality Stakes, prompting a fast pace only to gamely fight off all challengers in the stretch. --Bill Finley

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, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables	Baffert	Velazquez	10-1
			D Bashor, Determined Stables, Masterson, Robert E	Ξ.,		
			Ryan, Tom J., Waves Edge Capital LLC &			
			Donovan, Catherine			
3	Macho Music 🖛	Maclean's Music	Mark Fletcher Taylor, R Crichton & Walters, Daniel	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,	Baffert	Smith	5-1
			Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Determin	ed		
			Stables, Masterson, Robert E., Ryan, Tom J., Wave	s		
			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	C2 Racing Stable, Parsard, Ian, Shining Stables,	Joseph, Jr.	Ortiz	10-1
			Stefania Farms LLC, Reimer, Ken T., Braverman, P	aul		
			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.

After a trio of disappointing performances around two turns, two-time Grade I winner and 'TDN Rising Star' Chancer McPatrick (McKinzie) cuts back to his preferred trip over a course that he posted a pair of jaw-dropping victories over last summer, led by the GI Hopeful S. Should have more than enough pace to close into as well. Flavien Prat remains aboard after also riding impressive last-out Brad Cox-trained winners Gunmetal (Gun Runner) and 'TDN Rising Star' Patch Adams (Into Mischief). Gate to Wire (Munnings) has some dirtied-up form since his impressive win in the Swale and is coming in under the radar for Hall of Famer Todd Pletcher. --Steve Sherack



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

May Day Ready (Tapit) didn't fire when ambitiously placed in a 2-year-old stakes in Japan. Her stateside record is far better. She won three straight and then finished a good second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. Her best effort gets this done. Nitrogen (Medaglia d'Oro) has been a win machine--netting four straight stakes. The only knock on her is that her numbers aren't improving and if she runs another 88 Beyer that might not be good enough. Laurelin (Ire) (Zarak {Fr}) is undefeated in three starts and is not out of this. Might need to improve some. --Bill Finley

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

Mullikin (Violence) ran too well in defeat off the bench after a wide journey to have to settle for only fifth in the GI Churchill Downs S. Returns to the scene of his dynamite GI Forego S. win and is fast enough to keep intriguing longshot **Concrete Glory** (Bodemeister) honest up front. **Book'em Danno** (Bucchero) finished one slot ahead of the top pick after a perfect trip on Derby Day and ran huge in his two previous trips to the Spa. **Nakatomi** (Firing Line) is another who has done some of his best running at Saratoga and has been firing bullets for Wesley Ward since his near miss in Dubai. --Steve Sherack





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, 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, 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)

States' Rights (Constitution) gets the call here. He had all sorts of trouble in his last--a second-place finish in a Keeneland allowance race. He steps up in class, but is obviously talented and can handle the assignment. **Zulu Kingdom** (Ire) (Ten Sovereigns {Ire}) is clearly the horse to beat after winning the GI American Turf Stakes last out at Churchill. The Chad-Flavien combo is very tough in races like these. **Flying Mohawk** (Karakontie {Jpn}) returns to his preferred surface after running 18th in the Derby in what was his first attempt on dirt. --Bill Finley

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 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. 3vo. 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

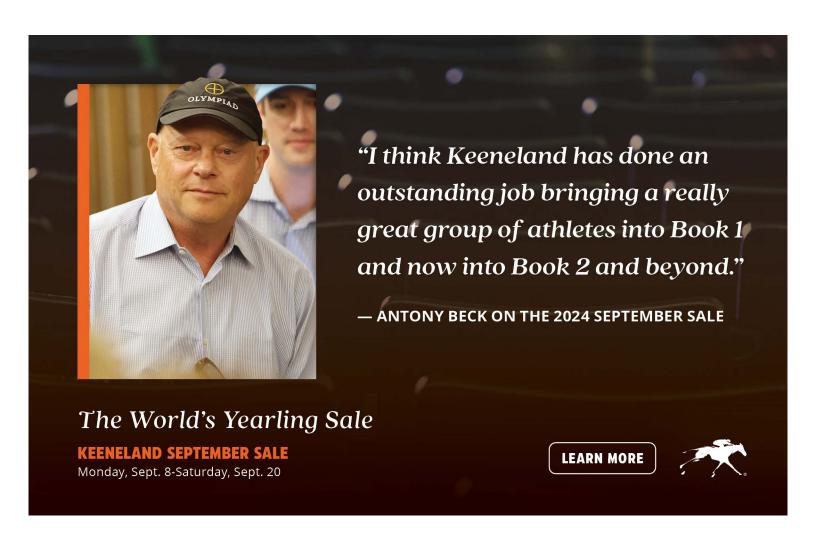
Breeders: 1-Mt Brilliant Farm & Ranch, LLC, 2-Juddmonte, 3-Brereton C. Jones, 4-Brookstone Farm, Lee Mauberret, & JamesBlazek, 5-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC, 6-Hume Wornall & Jay Adcock, 7-Godolphin

Sunday, Saratoga #7, post time: 3:29 p.m. EDT SOARING SOFTLY S.-GIII, \$175,000, 3yo, f, 5 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Love Cervere	Into Mischief	Seltzer, Edward A., Anderson, Beverly and	Clement	Rosario	120
			Reeves Thoroughbred Racing			
2	Yougottahavehope	Twirling Candy	Barry K. Schwartz	De Paz	Santana, Jr.	118
3	Saturday Flirt	Mendelssohn	Mrs. Fitriani Hay	Ward	Alvarado	118
4	Brindi (Ire) 🖛	No Nay Never	Robert M. Evans	Danner	Carmouche	120
5	Make Haste (GB)	Blue Point (Ire)	Gainesway Stable and LNJ Foxwoods	Clement	Franco	118
6	Hey Bertie	Kantharos	Klein Racing	DeVaux	Castellano	118
7	Fortuna Mia	Vekoma	Lighthouse Racing	Rice	Lezcano	118
8	Cloe	Tiz the Law	Lugamo Racing Stable LLC	D'Angelo	Ortiz, Jr.	120
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Breeders: 1-Edward Seltzer & Beverly Seltzer, 2-Stonewall Farm, 3-Wesley Ward, 4-Framont Ltd, 5-Sheraton Bloodstock Limited, 6-Klein Racing, 7-Tyler B. Jones, 8-Crosshaven Bloodstock, 9-TAG Stables, 10-Killora Stud, LLC, 11-Glen Oak Farm & Two Stamps Stables

Make Haste (GB) (Blue Point {Ire}) went the opening quarter in :20 4/5 in her last start. She pulled away impressively to earn an 84 Beyer. **Cloe** (Tiz the Law) is back home after a good try in a 6 1/2-furlong down-the-hill race at Santa Anita, where she was third. At 5 1/2-furlong on the grass here, this spot seems to be a much better fit. **Love Cervere** (Into Mischief) tries for a second straight win for the Clement stable. She's 2-for-2 around one turn, but 0-for-2 around two. --Bill Finley



UNION RAGS FILLY RAGTIME EARNS 'TDN RISING STAR' HONORS ON SARATOGA

DEBUT by Alan Carasso



Ragtime | Tod Marks

Let go at odds just north of 9-1 for the customarily patient Bill Mott barn, Godolphin's **Ragtime** (Union Rags--Burmilla, by Storm Cat) went to hot favorite **Endorse** (Curlin) with less than a furlong to race in Friday's second race maiden at Saratoga and kicked home nicely to score by four lengths en route to a 'TDN Rising Star' badge.

Drawn the rail for the Sovereignty connections, the homebred was away without incident beneath Junior Alvarado and made ground inside to sit just ahead of midfield and behind the four-strong leading group into the turn.



Winning jockey Junior Alvarado with Godolphin's Dan Pride

Tod Marks

Under a tight hold rounding the bend, Ragtime followed the move of 4-5 Endorse--who took command going nicely with a bit more than 2 1/2 furlongs to travel--came after that Repole runner in earnest leaving the eighth pole and powered clear to graduate by 3 3/4 impressive lengths, covering the final eighth of a mile in a strong :12.34 seconds.

The cleverly named **Filly Freedom** (Constitution), a generous 27-1 for top connections, got home nicely for second, while Endorse was forced to settle for third. It was a gap of some 4 1/2 lengths back to the Brown-conditioned debutante **Lost Horizon** (Into Mischief, 10-1) in fourth.

Bidding on behalf of Sheikh Mohammed's operation, John Ferguson went to \$850,000 for Burmilla--a full-sister to 1999 GII Schulyerville Stakes and GII Landaluce Stakes heroine Magicalmysterycat--at the 2004 Keeneland September Sale and among her four career victories was this track's GII Honorable Miss Stakes in 2007. Burmilla is now the dam of five winners from nine to race, including 2014 GIII Comely Stakes victress Snowbell (Tapit), GSW, \$373,490, in turn the dam of the stakeswinning Twice As Sweet (Candy Ride {Arg}).

The last listed produce for Burmilla is a yearling filly by G1 Dubai World Cup-winning 'TDN Rising Star' Mystic Guide.

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2nd-Saratoga, \$100,000, Msw, 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23.24, ft, 3 3/4 lengths.

RAGTIME, f, 3, by Union Rags

1st Dam: Burmilla (GSW, \$170,285), by Storm Cat

2nd Dam: Nannerl, by Valid Appeal 3rd Dam: Allouette, by Proud Birdie

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$55,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O-Godolphin LLC; B-Godolphin (KY); T-William I Mott.

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FRANKEL'S ASBURY PARK 'BOSSES' SPA MAIDEN, BECOMES A 'RISING STAR'

by Alan Carasso



Asbury Park | Tod Marks

When last seen at Saratoga some 10 months ago, **Asbury Park (GB)** (c, 3, Frankel {GB}--Limonar {Ire}, by Street Cry {Ire}) took unsurprising action as the 8-5 favorite, passed several rivals in the lane but fell short in fifth and had been missing since. Returning Friday as the 7-5 favorite and bearing the silks of his breeder St Elias Stable, the fashionably bred colt was void of early speed from his middle draw and was dragged back to the latter third of the red-hot Flavien Prat through a driving rainstorm.

Ridden quietly with cover three or four off the fence down the backstretch, the dark bay was still well back entering the final three furlongs, but began to pick it up approaching the stretch, having been guided to the wide outside and out of harm's way. Asbury Park quickly gathered up the leaders nearing the eighth pole and from there it was academic, as he was about four lengths clear and well in hand under the wire to become the afternoon's second 'TDN Rising Star'.

It was the fourth victory on the afternoon for Eclipse Award winner Prat and the third for Chad Brown, who also sent out the debuting **Arkhipov** (Munnings) to a promising runner-up effort on his career bow. **Tom Collins** (Frosted), the 2-1 second choice, was third.

Asbury Park's dam was bought back for 12,000gns at the 2008 Tattersalls December Foal Sale, but went on to overachieve at the races, winning in listed company in France for Carlos Laffon-Parias in 2011 before being acquired by St. Elias for breeding purposes. A half-sister to GI Shoemaker Mile winner Talco (Fr) (Pivotal {GB}), Limonar is the dam of six winners from six to the races, including her first produce Mokarris (More Than Ready), a listed winner and Group 2-placed in England over sprint trips for

Sheikh Hamdan in 2016.

Covered by Frankel's full-brother Noble Mission (GB) in 2015, the result was the top stayer Spanish Mission, a three-time group winner in Europe at distances between 2600 meters and 3600 meters, winner of the 2019 Jockey Club Derby at Belmont over the mile and a half and twice-placed at the highest level in Australia, including a third to Verry Elleegant (NZ) (Zed {NZ}) in the G1 Melbourne Cup (3200 meters) in 2021. Limonar's third black-type winner is Dude N Colorado (Colonel Liam), who was also placed at the Grade III level. Third dam Gossamer produced 2004 G1 Irish 2000 Guineas winner Bachelor Duke (Miswaki).

Behind Asbury Park is a 2-year-old colt by Kingman (GB) foaled in Britain, but sent to the U.S. in 2024. Limonar also has a yearling colt by Frankel's son Cracksman (GB) and a colt by Blue Point (Ire) foaled Apr. 13.

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8th-Saratoga, \$100,000, Msw, 6-6, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:45.34, gd, 3 1/2 lengths.

ASBURY PARK (GB), c, 3, by Frankel (GB)

1st Dam: Limonar (Ire) (SW-Fr, \$124,447), by Street Cry (Ire)

2nd Dam: Trylko, by Diesis (GB)
3rd Dam: Gossamer, by Seattle Slew

Sales history: 250,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$59,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

O-Peter M Brant & St Elias Stable; B-St Elias Stables LLC (GB); T-Chad C Brown.

Bridlewood Farm Training Graduate



Tod Marks

JUNE 7 INSIGHTS: SARATOGA HOSTS PAIR OF WELL-BRED DEBUTERS, CALI WRAPS SUPER SATURDAY by Patrycja Szpyra



Curlin | Sarah Andrew

2nd-SAR, \$100k, Msw, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 11:20p.m. ET

Coming into this maiden with a number of bullet works to his credit, **COPIOUS** (Curlin) will debut in the colors of Tranquility Lake Farms for trainer Bill Mott. With four bullets at Payson and two over the Oklahoma training track, the chestnut is the son of MGISW Paradise Woods (Union Rags) and hails from the immediate female family of MGSW & GISP Mr. Greeley (Gone West). His dam's half-sister Paradise Bay (Blame) has produced SW Reef Runner (This Big Beast) and his full-brother SW Big Paradise, and another multiple-winning half-sister claims MGSP Lady Aces (Constitution).

To his inside is stablemate **Stars and Strides** (American Pharoah) for owners Pin Oak Stud. A \$475,000 KEESEP pick-up in 2023, the bay is a half-brother to SW Panther Island (Speightstown) and the pair is out of a thrice-winning half-sister to MSW & GSP Wine Police (Speightstown) and SP Moon Traveler (Malibu Moon). **TJCIS PPs**

10th-SA, \$60k, Msw, 3-5yo, f, 1mT, 8:52p.m. ET

In the nightcap at Santa Anita, and in the twilight of a stacked Saturday of racing across the country, **Neema** (Curlin) will debut here on the grass for Michael Lund Peterson and trainer Bob Baffert. A \$460,000 FTKOCT purchase in 2023, the filly hails from the extended female family of the late champion MGISW Echo Zulu (Gun Runner); GISW Echo Town (Speightstown); GSW J Boys Echo (Mineshaft); GSP Unbridled Outlaw (Unbridled's Song); and of SW Soundwave (Friends Lake), dam of GSW Dean Martini (Cairo Prince). TJCIS PPs

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ALLOWANCE WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

6th-Churchill Downs, \$136,815, Alw, 6-6, 3yo, 5f (off turf), :57.41, my, 3/4 length.

DREAMAWAY (f, 3, Flameaway--Dream Dancing (GISW, \$483,271}, by Tapit) came into the race with stakes success last year as the winner of the Colleen Stakes at Monmouth in late July and ran third in the Speakeasy Stakes at Santa Anita to end her 2024 campaign. This year, her two starts were also against stakes company, the first being a runner-up finish in the Limestone Stakes at Keeneland Apr. 11, and the second a fading fourth in the GIII Mamzelle Stakes at Churchill Downs May 10. In the filly's first dirt effort since her debut, Dreamaway broke on top and went straight for the lead at 7-2 odds. It wasn't until after she rounded the far turn and headed into the stretch that this leader was asked for her best, holding off the late challenge of an oncoming Dreaminblue (Street Boss) by three parts of a length, making her first run with Lasix a winning one. Dream Dancing was a multiple graded winner herself, highlighted by the GI Del Mar Oaks, and is the half-sibling of UAE Group 2 winner Kimbear (Temple City). Dreamaway has a juvenile halfsister in Dream Trip (Gun Runner), and Dream Dancing most recently foaled a 2025 colt by Flameaway. Lifetime Record: SW, 6-3-1-1, \$265,920. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-John C. Oxley (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward.



Dreamaway | Coady Media

6th-Churchill Downs, \$123,355, Alw, 6-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:50.55, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

FORESEEN (f, 4, Uncle Mo--Imprecation, by First Defence) came into the race with a solid second going nine panels just a few weeks ago right here at Churchill Downs, after distant placings in both the GIII Royal Delta Stakes in February at Gulfstream and first-level allowance company in April at Keeneland. After a solid break, jockey Brian Hernandez guided her over to the rail and took the field into the first turn in :24.61. Cruising along to the half mile pole in :49.12 and kept under a strong hold, Foreseen was confronted at the top of the stretch but had plenty left in reserve, kicking away and taking the field in gate-to-wire fashion as the 6-5 slight second choice. Faire Plaisir (Distorted Humor) rallied into second. Imprecation is a daughter of French Group 3 and American Grade II winner Media Nox (GB) (Lycius), whose daughter Nebraska Tornado (Storm Cat) won the G1 Prix de Diane and G1 Prix du Moulin in France. Media Nox is also the dam of SW & MGSP Mirabilis (Lear Fan), whose seven winners include French champion and dual Group 1 winner Westover (GB) (Frankel (GB)) and his Group 3-winning full-brother Monarchs Glen (GB). Sales history: \$400,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-3, \$234,854. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.; B-Pursuit of Success LLC (KY); T-George R. Arnold II.

8th-Churchill Downs, \$118,920, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$125,000), 6-6, 3yo, f, 1m (off turf), 1:35.00, my, neck. GOOD TEMPER (f, 3, Collected--Rachel Wall {SP, \$156,415}, by Blame) broke her maiden over Keeneland's main track in mid-October last year and returned to the races this season as a grass horse, making three starts over the turf with a win two back Mar. 4 at Fair Grounds against optional claimers by 7 1/4 lengths. The 4-1 shot here as this mile was washed off the green and onto a muddy track, she put that prior experience to use as she dictated terms through :22.95 and a half in :45.73 with 3-5 heavy favorite MGSP Gowells Delight (Practical Joke) never far away from her. The pair rolled off from the field in a private match race as they swung into the lane, and Good Temper was headed by that rival at the head of affairs. Refusing to be denied, they locked horns into the final furlong and she regained her advantage in the shadow of the wire to win by a neck in a contest neither deserved to lose.



Good Temper (inside) | Coady Media

The victress is the second winner from as many to the races for Rachel Wall, who also has a juvenile colt by Collected and a yearling colt by Global Campaign to her credit. She was barren in 2025 after being bred to Divisidero. Sales history: \$40,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$146,531. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Mark H. Stanley; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-William Walden.

3rd-Saratoga, \$115,000, Alw (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$75,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.65, fm, 1/2 length.

WORKS FOR ME (c, 4, Daddy Long Legs--Bella's Game, by **Soldat)** picked up his second stakes victory two back Nov. 9 when he claimed the Listed Aqueduct Turf Sprint Championship Stakes in a dead heat with MSW & GSP Alogon (California Chrome), and produced his lifetime best Beyer figure of 93 in the process to wrap his 2024 season. A nose shy of victory last out May 4 in his yearly bow against optional claimers at Aqueduct, the betting public sent the chestnut off at 2-1 favorotism here on his annual return to Saratoga. Making his backers sweat when he stumbled out of the gate and bumped into Antares (American Pharoah), he set up shop in midpack as the pacers led the field through a :21.46 opening quarter. Chasing from the inside and steadied just past the five furlong mark, he held his course on the fence and fought his way through a seam which left one of his outside rivals without a lane passing the furlong marker.

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Works for Me (rail) | Sarah Andrew

Taking command not longer after, he braced for the charge of Antares from well back, but held that one to a half-length on the wire. Works for Me is the first to the races for Bella's Game. He has a juvenile half-sister named Beau's Bella (Beau Liam) and their dam had been bred to Oscar Performance for 2025. Lifetime Record: MSW, 15-5-3-3, \$388,955. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-KatieRich Stables LLC, Christopher G. Connors and Lawrence J. Appel; B-KatieRich Farms, Chris Connors & Larry Appel (NY); T-Joseph R. Lee.

5th-Saratoga, \$110,000, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:48.23, ft, 11 lengths.

MALARCHUK (c, 4, Nyquist--Seize the Ring, by Tiznow) was elevated to the win here when stablemate Strategic Focus (Gun Runner) was disqualified from first and placed behind him after stewards deemed he interfered in the lane.



Malarchuk | Sarah Andrew

The drama began right at the jump when Strategic Focus struck the near side stall at the break and Malarchuk had to be coaxed out to lead the procession through :23.30, :47.77, and six panels in 1:11.96 splits. The stablemates were staring each other down nearing the quarter pole and swung into the lane four wide as Strategic Focus took a narrow lead with threesixteenths left. Malarchuk was forced to alter paths when that leader shied in greenly outside the eighth pole and again more severely inside of it, but they'd put over 10 lengths on the rest of the field by the time they hit the wire with three-quarters of a length between them. The change was made after a stewards review, and Malarchuk was placed first, but trainer Chad Brown had the exacta either way. The victor is the third winner from as many to race for Seize the Ring, who also claims an unraced 3year-old El Regresado (Frosted), a juvenile colt by Yaupon, and a yearling colt by Jack Christopher. She had been bred to both Practical Joke and Gunite for 2025. Sales history: \$145,000 RNA Ylg '22 FTKOCT; \$535,000 2yo '23 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, \$167,660. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Richard Schermerhorn, Jeffrey Drown and Michael J. Ryan; B-Chippewa Bloodstock (KY); T-Chad C. Brown.

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LUCAN BLOODSTOCK Training & Sales Graduate

1st-Saratoga, \$95,000, (S), Alw, 6-6, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.09, ft, 1 length.

BELLACOSE (f, 3, Audible--Little Bullet, by Uncle Mo) was a 10 3/4-length debut winner at this course last year and took a big step-up to the GI Spinaway Stakes in late August at Saratoga, finishing a distant 10th for trainer Jeremiah Englehart. Picking up some new partners in her ownership list after briefly moving to the barn of Chad Brown in time for a start Nov. 17 in Aqueduct's Key Cents Stakes--where she finished seventh--and again moving trainers for this seasonal bow, she made her first jump in the Wesley Ward program a winning one here. Sent off at 2-1 favoritism, she recovered from breaking inward to take command and show the way through :22.54 and a half in :45.55 while in hand.

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Bellacose (outside) | Tod Marks

Pushed along past the five-sixteenths when a challenger ranged up to make a race of it, they swung four-wide into the lane as Bellacose shook off that first rival, but had to brace for another as Munnings Express (Munnings) came calling to her inside. Digging in gamely, she turned away that filly too and scored her second photo by a length. The victress is the second winner from three of racing age for their dam. Little Bullet's 2024 filly by Greatest Honour died last year, and she had been bred to Proxy for 2025. Sales history: \$33,000 Wlg '22 FTNMIX; \$82,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$104,550. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Resolute Racing, Christopher T. Dunn, Blue Tarp Racing, Chris Mara, Greyhound Stables, Nicholas & Arthur Sgroi, Jonathan M. Sacks, and Corrin Genovese; B-Beals Racing Stable, LLC & Saratoga Glen Farm, LLC (NY); T-Wesley A. Ward.

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7th-Santa Anita, \$65,000, Alw (C)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34.15, fm, 1 length.

SUNSET GLORY (IRE) (m, 5, Cotai Glory {GB}--Giant Dancer, by Giant's Causeway) ended her 4-year-old campaign with an 11th in last year's rendition of the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf. Prior to that, she won the CTT and TOC Stakes at Del Mar Aug. 16 and finished fifth in the GII Rodeo Drive Stakes at Santa Anita Oct. 5 at Del Mar. Making her 5-year-old debut, Sunset Glory settled midpack as she traveled along the fence up the backstretch, but was swung towards the outside for her far turn run. Taking aim, she accelerated with big strides towards Certitude (Fr) (City Light {Ire}), who got the jump, and was ultimately able to run her down as the 2-1 second choice. Her dam Giant Dancer (Giant's Causeway) is out of A Mind of Her

Own, a Group 3-placed daughter of Danehill Dancer and full sister to GSP Birdman (Ire). Giant Dancer's last registered offspring is a three-time winning half-sister to the victress named Ritournelle (Ire) (Awtaad {Ire}). Sales history: 5,000gns Ylg '21 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: SW, 8-4-1-0, \$192,654. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Bruce Treitman; B-Ringfort Stud (IRE); T-Michael W. McCarthy.

8th-Gulfstream, \$55,400, Alw, 6-6, 3yo, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:40.50, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

IRON HAND (c, 3, Valiant Minister--Bev's Humor, by Distorted Humor) brought a three-race win streak into this race, including a maiden breaking victory Jan.19, followed by two wins against allowance company Apr. 11 and May 9, all at Gulfstream Park. Based on his resume, the appropriate 3-5 favorite was content to sit just behind the speed as the group went a tepid :25.68 for the first quarter mile. Guided into the clear, the colt began to make his move as they went around the far turn, put away the frontrunner and turned for home with a clear lead. Iron Hand was in hand as he crossed the wire 5 3/4 lengths in front of runner-up I Know I Know (Jess's Dream). Bev's Humor's most recent progeny include a juvenile full-sister and a 2025 colt by Tunwoo. Sales history: \$3,500 RNA Ylg '23 OBSOCT. Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-3, \$144,100. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Baoma Corp (FL); T-Jose Francisco D'Angelo.

4th-Laurel, \$48,020, Alw (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000-\$62,500), 6-6, 3yo, 1m, 1:37.83, ft, head.

CADEAU D'ARGENT (g, 3, Gift Box--For All the Grands {SP}, by Tale of Ekati) was a winner at first-asking May 16 at Pimlico when defeating well-meant Bob Baffert-trainee Privman (Justify) by 1 1/2 lengths. Sent off here at 5-1, he broke slowly to find himself at the rear of the field, but pulled his way into contention until eventually easing back into hand passing the half in :48.17. Eager to go but patiently handled approaching upper stretch, he was swung to the outside of Urban Symphony (Curlin) with work to do leaving the quarter pole. Closing relentlessly but running out of real estate, Cadeau d'Argent got up in the final yards to win the bob over the longtime leader.

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The victor is the second winner from as many to the races for their dam, who has since produced a juvenile colt by Blame and a yearling filly by Yaupon. For All the Grands had been bred to Mitole for 2025. Sales history: \$20,000 Wlg '22 FTIDEC; \$45,000 Ylg '23 EASOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$60,600. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV. O-Stormyvale Farm; B-Chris Gracie (PA); T-Niall Saville.

MAIDEN WINNERS



IN ORDER OF PURSE:

1st-Churchill Downs, \$113,925, Msw, 6-6, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52.09, ft, head.

LILIES N PARADISE (f, 2, Maxfield--Why Oh You, by Yes It's True) was shoved across the line by Edgar Morales to become the second winner from the first crop to the races for her promising young sire (by Street Sense) in the Friday opener at Churchill Downs. Off only fairly from the three hole, the bay filly was hustled along to keep tabs on the leading trio, including Lael Stables' well-backed Pulstar (Kantharos), who made the running three off the inside going into the turn. Morales elected to chase that rival approaching the stretch and the rider had plenty of horse beneath him when he asked her to accelerate three or four deep leaving the quarter pole. Edging to her inside despite being ridden left-handed into the final eighth of a mile, Lilies N Paradise was rebalanced, came after the front-runner with time ticking away and was home about a head to the good at odds of 9-1.



Fond Farewell | Coady Media



Lilies N Paradise (outside) | Coady Media

A P Sweetheart (American Pharoah) rallied nicely for third, while the fourth-placed Muriel Sax (Code of Honor) caught the leaders with a strong gallop-out into the turn. A \$200,000 Keeneland September yearling, Lilies N Paradise was hammered down for that same amount after breezing a quarter-mile in :21 flat at this year's OBS April Sale. A half-sister to the Grade II-placed Electric Ride (Daredevil), a yearling filly by Jackie's Warrior and a colt foal by Forte, Lilies N Paradise is the third winner from as many to race from a half-sister to SW Amapola (Broken Vow). Sales history: \$200,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$69,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Paradise Farms Corp & Case Chambers; B-St Simon Place (KY); T-Michael J Maker.

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3rd-Churchill Downs, \$112,125, Msw, 6-6, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.74, fm, 3/4 length.

FOND FAREWELL (g, 3, Caravaggio--County Clare, by Uncle Mo), who went off in this debut as the 8-5 choice here, broke a step slow and found herself towards the rear of the field as a longshot set the pace up the backstretch. Glued to the rail around the far turn, it wasn't until the gelding tipped to the four path that he started to make progress at the top of the lane. The 3-year-old split rivals and was able to run down Monterey Bay (Good Magic) in the finals strides to graduate by 3/4 length. A half-sister to MGSW Indyanne (Indian Charlie), the winner's dam was bred to McKinzie for this season. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$69,000. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-Offshoot Farm LLC (KY); T-William Walden.



Chasing My Dream | Ryan Thompson

9th-Churchill Downs, \$93,958, Msw, 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17.66, my, 3/4 length.

HEARTBEAT (f, 3, Jack Milton--Pick of the Pack {SW, \$107,450}, by Lil's Lad) came into the race with a closing fifth over a similarly wet racetrack May 2 against maidens at Churchill Downs. With improved speed, this filly perched herself midpack and angled towards the outside for a clear run, sustaining a fourwide bid around the far turn. As they rounded the bend for home, she drew alongside a stalking Order Restored (Tom's D'etat) and the two fillies threw it down in the lane, with Heartbeat gaining the upper hand late and going on to win by three parts of a length as the 2-1 favorite. Her full-sister Tobys Heart, MSW & MGSP, \$673,370 was sent to Australia after changing hands to Kia Ora Stud for \$450,000 at KEENOV in 2022 and produced a 2024 filly by New Zealand-bred sire So You Think (High Chaparral {Ire}) in her adoptive country. Dam Pick of the Pack's most recent offspring is a 2024 filly by Higher Power. Sales history: \$37,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT; \$52,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$55,920. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O-Taylor Creek, William L. Warner and Brian A. Lynch; B-Trackside Farm (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch.



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4th-Gulfstream, \$67,700, Msw, 6-6, 2yo, 5fT, :55.81, fm, 2 1/2 lengths.

CHASING MY DREAM (c, 2, Win Win Win--Quickasakitten, by Kitten's Joy) was set a fairly tall task for his career debut in the May 10 Royal Palm Juveniler Stakes and showed some early speed before fading to finish 9 1/4 lengths behind the victorious Sandal's Song (Mendelssohn). Favored at 19-10 on the precipitous drop into maidens, the \$180,000 OBS March breezer showed good early speed from the inside alley, carried a

daylight advantage into the turn and passing the quarter pole and was never truly challenged en route to a 2 1/2-length success. Chasing My Dream has a yearling half-brother by Colonel Liam and a full-sister foaled Jan. 11. Sales history: \$180,000 2yo '25 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$54,900. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

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

1st-Gulfstream, \$43,000, (S), Msw, 6-6, 2yo, f, 5f, :59.08, ft, 6 lengths.

GERRARDS CROSS (f, 2, Midshipman--Spanish Concert {SW, \$232,365}, by Concerto) went off as the 9-5 second choice but ran like the lights-out favorite, immediately taking command out the gate to roll through a :22.17 opening sectional and comfortably extended her advantage in the lane to score by six lengths over Soda (Rushie). The winner is a half-sister to Dream Concert (Jess's Dream), MSP, \$235,370 and is the third to get her picture taken for their dam. Spanish Concert has a yearling half-sister to Gerrards Cross named Roccarosso Rocket (Khozan) as well as a 2025 half-brother by Connect. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,800. Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.

O/B-James Michael Chicklo (FL); T-Kathleen O'Connell.



In this continuing series, Alan Carasso takes a look ahead at US-bred and/or conceived runners entered for the upcoming weekend at the tracks on the Japan Racing Association circuit, with a focus on pedigree and/or performance in the sales ring. Here are the horses of interest for this Sunday running at Hanshin Racecourse as 2-year-old racing kicks off the season on the Japan Racing Association circuit:

Sunday, June 8, 2025

YU PHAROAH (c, 2, American Pharoah--Limari, by Medaglia d'Oro) cost trainer Hideyuki Mori \$75,000 at last year's Keeneland September Sale a handful of days after his then-juvenile half-brother West Beach (Omaha Beach) was just nabbed on the wire by future GSW Tiztastic (Tiz the Law) in the Kentucky Downs Juvenile Mile. The Feb. 1 foal's dam, third as the odds-on favorite in the 2019 GIII Mint Julep Stakes, is a half-sister to Eclair (Bernardini), herself a stakes winner at two. Cont.

5th-HSN, ¥14,250,000 (\$98k), Newcomers, 2yo, 1400mT



Yu Pharoah is a half-brother to Kentucky Downs Juvenile Mile runner-up West Beach | Coady Media

This is the female family of GI Just A Game Stakers winner Antonoe (First Defence). Yu Pharoah is bred on the same cross responsible for GI New York Stakes winner Marketsegmentation and G1 Victoria Derby hero Goldrush Guru (Aus). O-K Aitetsu; B-Don Alberto Corporation & American Pharoah Syndicate (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori

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IN SOUTH KOREA:

Geuma Eminent, g, 3, **Smiling Tiger**--Recoiling, by Coil. Seoul, 6-6, Hcp. (C3), 1400m. B-Martin Bach & Daniel Weiner (CA). *\$4,000 Ylg '23 FTSEP; \$60,000 2yo '24 OBSJUN. VIDEO (SC 7)



IN SOUTH KOREA:

Nice Buddy (Kor), f, 3, Central Banker--Here Comes Jody, by Freud. Busan, 6-6, Hcp. (C6), 1200m. B-Kim Chang Man. *Won by eight lengths. *\$15,000 in utero '21 FTNOCT. VIDEO (SC 5)



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JUNE 7

2025 Stud Fees Listed

Beau Liam (Liam's Map), Airdrie Stud, \$6,000 114 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 4-Woodbine, 2:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Border Czar, 6-1 \$25,000 FTK OCT yrl

Charlatan (Speightstown), Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa, \$50,000 161 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 4-Woodbine, 2:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Likely Story, 7-2 \$260,000 KEE SEP yrl

Independence Hall (Constitution), WinStar Farm, \$7,500
121 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Evangeline Downs, 7:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Runforjustice,
5-1
\$5,000 TTA YRL yrl

No Parole (Violence), Whispering Oaks Farm, \$3,000 14 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners 1-Evangeline Downs, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, High Class Trip, 10-1

\$32,000 TTA APR 2yo

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: SATURDAY, JUNE 7

2025 Stud Fees Listed

Aurelius Maximus (Pioneerof the Nile), Red River Farms, \$2,000 83 foals of racing age/15 winners/5 black-type winners 3-Evangeline Downs, 7:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Drewrelius, 4-1 \$42,000 OBS WIN yrl

4-Evangeline Downs, 7:51 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends Cheval S., 1m, He's Late Again, 2-1

\$20,000 TTA YRL yrl

1-Evangeline Downs, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, K G's Magic, 7-2

\$15,000 BSL Y&M yrl

Authentic (Into Mischief), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000 295 foals of racing age/44 winners/3 black-type winners 13-Saratoga, 7:04 p.m. EDT, \$2000K GI Belmont S. Presented by NYRA Bets, 1 1/4m, Rodriguez, 6-1 \$485,000 KEE SEP yrl



Ghaiyyath | *Darley*

Bobby's Wicked One (Speightstown), Lacer at Aztec Equine, \$3,500

46 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner 9-Evangeline Downs, 10:07 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends Sprint S., 5 1/2f, Smoken Wicked, 2-1 \$38,000 BSL Y&M yrl

Country House (Lookin At Lucky), Darby Dan Farm, \$5,000 54 foals of racing age/11 winners/1 black-type winner 6-Century Mile, 8:25 p.m. EDT, \$50K Chariot Chaser S., 6f, Kitty House, 4-1 \$1,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl

Ghaiyyath (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud, \$20,000 212 foals of racing age/25 winners/2 black-type winners 1-Epsom Derby - Belmont Double, 10:30 a.m. EDT, \$2005K GI Betfred Derby, 1 1/2mT, Nightime Dancer (Ire), 99-1 110,000gns TAD EWE wnl 1-Epsom Derby - Belmont Double, 10:30 a.m. EDT, \$2005K GI Betfred Derby, 1 1/2mT, Stanhope Gardens (Ire), 15-1 €82,000 GOF NO1 wnl; 210,000gns TAT OCT yrl 4-Gulfstream, 2:31 p.m. EDT, Msw 1 1/16mT, Sweet Science (Ire), 3-1 55,000gns TAD EWE wnl

Global Campaign (Curlin), WinStar Farm, \$7,500 177 foals of racing age/27 winners/2 black-type winners 9-Gulfstream, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$75K Martha Washington S., 1 1/16mT, Special Aviator, 20-1 \$23,000 FTK OCT yrl; \$100,000 OBS APR 2yo **Gunnevera** (Dialed In), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$6,000 85 foals of racing age/11 winners/0 black-type winners 1-Gulfstream, 12:50 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Other Level, 12-1

Honor A. P. (Honor Code), Lane's End Farm, \$10,000

131 foals of racing age/26 winners/3 black-type winners 10-Saratoga, 4:47 p.m. EDT, \$300K GIII Pennine Ridge S., 1 1/16m, A. P. Kid, 10-1 \$275,000 KEE SEP yrl 13-Saratoga, 7:04 p.m. EDT, \$2000K GI Belmont S. Presented by NYRA Bets. 1 1/4m. Heart of Honor (GB). 30-1

NYRA Bets, 1 1/4m, Heart of Honor (GB), 30-1 35,000gns TAD EWE wnl; €42,000 GOF OR yrl; €160,000 ARQ BRU 2yo

Imperial Hint (Imperialism), Clear Creek Stud, \$2,500 49 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner 9-Evangeline Downs, 10:07 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends Sprint S., 5 1/2f, Tdz Hint of Power, 12-1

Improbable (City Zip), WinStar Farm 221 foals of racing age/36 winners/6 black-type winners 9-Gulfstream, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$75K Martha Washington S., 1 1/16mT, Starship Impulsive, 8-5 \$18,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$50,000 OBS APR 2yo

Lone Sailor (Majestic Warrior), Red River Farms
47 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Evangeline Downs, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Artic Sailor,
15-1

\$2,300 TTA YRL yrl

3-Evangeline Downs, 7:24 p.m. EDT, Msw 4 1/2f, Hadda Have It, 8-1

\$1,200 BSL Y&M yrl

4-Evangeline Downs, 7:51 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends Cheval S., 1m, Uninspired, 20-1

Maximum Security (New Year's Day), Coolmore Ashford, \$5,000 151 foals of racing age/33 winners/1 black-type winner 7-Prairie Meadows, 10:12 p.m. EDT, \$50K Prairie Mile S., 1m, Quarterly Report, 12-1

McKinzie (Street Sense), Gainesway Farm, \$75,000
301 foals of racing age/37 winners/3 black-type winners
13-Saratoga, 7:04 p.m. EDT, \$2000K GI Belmont S. Presented by
NYRA Bets, 1 1/4m, Baeza, 4-1
\$1,200,000 KEE SEP yrl
7-Evangeline Downs, 9:13 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends
Soiree S., 1m, Canal Street, 8-5

\$45,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$25,000 OBS APR 2yo

McKinzie, cont.

RC 2yo

7-Santa Anita, 7:22 p.m. EDT, \$100K GIII Summertime Oaks, 1 1/16m, Cash Call, 6-5 \$65,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl; \$600,000 OBS APR 2yo 11-Saratoga, 5:28 p.m. EDT, \$500K GI Woody Stephens S. Presented by Mohegan Sun, 7f, Chancer McPatrick, 4-1 \$260,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$725,000 OBS APR 2yo 4-Woodbine, 2:34 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Kinzie Girl, 12-1 \$150,000 RNA KEE SEP yrl

Mr. Money (Goldencents), Clear Creek Stud, \$4,000 57 foals of racing age/15 winners/0 black-type winners 4-Evangeline Downs, 7:51 p.m. EDT, \$100K Louisiana Legends Cheval S., 1m, Sippin On Gin, 8-5

Persian King (Ire) (Kingman {GB}), Haras d'Etreham, \$25,000 183 foals of racing age/30 winners/2 black-type winners 9-Gulfstream, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$75K Martha Washington S., 1 1/16mT, La Cantera (Ire), 12-1 60,000gns TAT OCT yrl

Pinatubo (Ire) (Shamardal), Dalham Hall Stud, \$30,000 235 foals of racing age/38 winners/3 black-type winners 6-Saratoga, 1:55 p.m. EDT, \$300K GII Wonder Again S., 1 1/16m, Al Jafara (GB), 6-1 15,000gns TAT OCT yrl; €37,000 ARQ BRU 2yo; €250,000 ARA

Spun to Run (Hard Spun), Gainesway Farm, \$10,000 142 foals of racing age/36 winners/0 black-type winners 6-Woodbine, 3:35 p.m. EDT, Msw 6fT, Mattie's Girl, 6-1



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Thousand Words (Pioneerof the Nile), Spendthrift Farm, \$12,500

202 foals of racing age/42 winners/5 black-type winners 3-Prairie Meadows, 8:24 p.m. EDT, \$50K Panthers S., 1m, A Thousand Miles, 5-2

\$15,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$27,000 OBS MAR 2yo 7-Prairie Meadows, 10:12 p.m. EDT, \$50K Prairie Mile S., 1m, Cool Cowboy, 2-1

\$52,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$70,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Tiz the Law (Constitution), Coolmore Ashford, \$30,000 248 foals of racing age/40 winners/6 black-type winners 7-Santa Anita, 7:22 p.m. EDT, \$100K GIII Summertime Oaks, 1 1/16m, Silent Law, 8-1

\$80,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$190,000 RNA OBS APR 2yo; \$400,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Vekoma (Candy Ride {Arg}), Spendthrift Farm, \$35,000 288 foals of racing age/81 winners/11 black-type winners 11-Saratoga, 5:28 p.m. EDT, \$500K GI Woody Stephens S. Presented by Mohegan Sun, 7f, Colloquial, 6-1 \$240,000 KEE SEP yrl

7-Gulfstream, 4:14 p.m. EDT, \$75K Not Surprising S., 1 1/16mT, Lastabitlonger, 12-1

\$80,000 KEE NOV wnl; \$200,000 FTK JUL yrl; \$48,000 OBS OPN 2yo

10-Saratoga, 4:47 p.m. EDT, \$300K GIII Pennine Ridge S., 1 1/16m, Mi Bago, 6-1

\$62,000 FTK FEB wnl; \$90,000 RNA SAR AUG yrl 9-Gulfstream, 5:13 p.m. EDT, \$75K Martha Washington S., 1 1/16mT, Starship Melody, 20-1 \$50,000 OBS APR 2yo Volatile (Violence), Three Chimneys Farm, \$12,500 233 foals of racing age/44 winners/2 black-type winners 7-Prairie Meadows, 10:12 p.m. EDT, \$50K Prairie Mile S., 1m, Mickswagger, 15-1 \$150,000 KEE SEP yrl; \$100,000 OBS OPN 2yo

Win Win Win (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Ocala Stud, \$8,500

97 foals of racing age/20 winners/2 black-type winners 7-Gulfstream, 4:14 p.m. EDT, \$75K Not Surprising S., 1 1/16mT, Win With Faith, 12-1







STAKES RESULTS:

BEST OF OHIO BABST/PALACIOS MEMORIAL S., \$100,000, Belterra, 6-6, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.68, ft.

- 1--EMPIRE'S FIRE, 124, g, 6, Empire Way--Victoria's On Fire, by Langfuhr. O-Douglas J. Diemer; B-Loner Farms, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich; J-Jose A. Bracho. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 24-14-3-1, \$477,820.
- 2--Scrimper, 124, g, 4, Klimt--Pinchpenny, by Super Saver. (\$9,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEESEP). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-Ronald Zielinski; B-T/C Stable LLC (OH); T-Richard Zielinski. \$20,000.

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3--**Henry Mac**, 124, g, 7, Midshipman--Boom Boom Bertie, by Thunder Gulch. O-Samuel Klein, Jr. LLC and Enjoy The Ride Stable LLC; B-Dustin J. Thomson & James Slaughter (OH); T-Jeffrey A. Radosevich. \$10,000.

Margins: 1HF, NK, HD. Odds: 3.20, 6.20, 1.30.

BEST OF OHIO NORM BARRON QUEEN CITY OAKS, (NB) \$100,000, Belterra, 6-6, (S), 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:49.03, ft.

- 1--WONDER WORLD, 122, f, 3, by World of Trouble--Hey Monba (MSP, \$156,943), by Monba. O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; B-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC & Robert M Gorham (OH); T-Robert M. Gorham; J-Luis Raul Rivera. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: SP, 7-3-3-0, \$130,034.
- 2--Carmel Rose, 122, f, 3, Cinco Charlie--Beautiful Wife, by To Honor and Serve. (\$5,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT). O-Glen H. Bland; B-George & Andrea Terry & Ginger Emerson (OH); T-Anthony Stephen. \$20,000.
- 3--Silver Kiss, 122, f, 3, Blofeld--Justgimmeakiss, by Congrats.
 O-Vigil, Alan, Boots N Bikinis LLC and Blue Snow Racing Stables;
 B-Devine Line Stables, LLC & Wasabi Ventures Stables, LLC
 (OH); T-David Wolochuk. \$10,000.

Margins: HF, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 20.50, 19.20, 0.05.

BEST OF OHIO SYDNEY GENDELMAN S., (NB) \$100,000, Belterra, 6-6, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.60, fm.

1--SPELLCAST, 124, g, 4, Tourist--Orientate to Luv (MSP, \$179,515), by Orientate. O/B-Blazing Meadows Farm, LLC & WinStar Farm, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm; J-Rocco Bowen. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: SW, 12-8-2-1, \$324,104.

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- 2--Villian, 124, g, 4, National Flag--Callisto, by Malibu Moon.
 O-Blazing Meadows Farm, LLC and Shane Hamm; B-WinBlaze, LLC (OH); T-Timothy E. Hamm. \$20,000.
- 3--Silence, 124, g, 6, Exaggerator--Leah's Secret, by Tiger Ridge. O-Danielle Agnello; B-WinBlaze, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey Skerrett. \$10,000.

Margins: 13/4, 43/4, 3. Odds: 0.90, 6.50, 18.30.

BEST OF OHIO DIANA S., \$100,000, Belterra, 6-6, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.33, ft.

1--SILENT RULE, 124, f, 4, Street Boss--Modern Lady, by Candy Ride (Arg). (\$16,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-John Hoctel; B-T/C Stable, LLC (OH); T-Jay P. Bernardini; J-Brandon Tapara. \$70,000. Lifetime Record: 9-9-0-0, \$295,456.

X LEGACY Bloodstock SALES GRAD X

2--Generous Lover, 124, m, 5, Bolt d'Oro--Hula Skirt, by Dixie Union. (\$95,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$175,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR; \$70,000 RNA 4yo '24 KEEAPR). O-Carl R. Moore Management LLC; B-Smokin C LLC (OH); T-Joe Sharp. \$20,000.

X LEGACY 1/2 bro by Omaha Beach selling at KeeSep

3--**Midnight Wonder**, 124, m, 5, Midnight Lute--Lela, by Trippi. (\$67,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Danielle Agnello; B-T/C Stable, LLC (OH); T-Jeffrey Skerrett. \$10,000.

X LEGACY Bloodstock SALES GRAD X

Margins: 4, 10HF, NO. Odds: 0.50, 1.00, 13.20.



The evergreen Perry Ouzts was back in the winner's circle aboard Just Like Rambo | Coady Media

BEST OF OHIO GREEN CARPET S., (NB) \$100,000, Belterra, 6-6, (S), 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:47.04, fm.

- 1--JUST LIKE RAMBO, 122, g, 3, Kiss the Ghost--Uknowi'mbusy, by Concord Point. O-Smith Red Gate Farm LLC; B-Hal Snowden Jr & Cathy H Comley (OH); T-Larry E Smith; J-Perry Wayne Ouzts. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, \$143,714.
- 2--Fortissimo, 122, g, 3, Take Charge Indy--Music and Lyrics, by Fed Biz. O/B-WinStar Farm LLC & Blazing Meadows Farm LLC (OH); T-Timothy E Hamm. \$20,000.

FARM TO STABLE

3--Bigpiclittlepic, 122, g, 3, Qurbaan--Looktheotherway, by Fappie's Notebook. O-John J Sugar; B-Hal Snowden (OH); T-Joseph M Poole. \$10,000.

Margins: 1, NK, NK. Odds: 6.00, 1.60, 29.30.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-Churchill Downs, \$114,155, 6-6, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50.22, my, 3 1/2 lengths.

EL MAGNIFICO (r, 4, Street Sense--Secret Jewel, by Bernardini)
Lifetime Record: 14-3-5-1, \$261,947. O-TEC Racing (Elliott S.
Logan); B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Joe Sharp.
*\$250,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP. **1/2 to Twenty Carat (Into
Mischief), GSW, \$118,850; 1/2 to Point Proven (Gun Runner),
SP, \$213,730. ***Point Proven won at Evangeline Downs June 5
(See EVD 5).

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7th-Saratoga, \$110,000, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$50,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.44, gd, 1/2 length.

STORM MIAMI (IRE) (f, 4, Blue Point {Ire}--Cosmic Love {GB} {SP}, by Sea The Stars {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SP-Ire, SP, 14-2-2-3, \$219,596. O-Mark Dobbin; B-Jc Bloodstock & Goodwill Bloodstock (IRE); T-Brendan P. Walsh. *€300,000 Ylg '22 GOFOR.

7th-Churchill Downs, \$102,217, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 6-5, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.43, fm, nose.

OUT TOO LATE (GB) (f, 4, Expert Eye {GB}--Miss Atomic Bomb {GB} {MSP}, by Intikhab) Lifetime Record: 13-3-3-2, \$190,057. O-Pura Vida Investments LLC; B-Genesis Green Stud LTD (GB); T-Michael J. Maker. *120,000gns Ylg '22 TATOCT.

4th-Saratoga, \$100,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$45,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23.35, ft, 3 1/4 lengths.

VEHEMENTE (f, 3, Vekoma--Resoundingly, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-2, \$201,050. O-International Equine; B-Hibiscus Stables (NY); T-Joe Sharp. *\$40,000 Wlg '22 FTNMIX.

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7th-Laurel, \$60,455, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$32,000-\$40,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.21, fm, 1/2 length.

LIFELOVENLAUGHTER (m, 5, Lemon Drop Kid--Too Foofoo for You, by Freud) Lifetime Record: 18-4-3-2, \$246,425. O/B-The Elkstone Group LLC (Stuart Grant) (MD); T-Michael J. Trombetta.

8th-Laurel, \$57,680, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$44,000-\$55,000), 6-6, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.55, ft, head.

ON THE MARK (g, 5, Anchor Down--Lady Rushmoore, by Wild Rush) Lifetime Record: SP, 23-7-5-4, \$270,920. O/T-Joanne Shankle; B-Burden Creek Farm & Springland Farm (KY). *1/2 to Percolator (Flashy Bull), GSP, \$113,888.



Jockey Christopher Elliot and trainer Melanie Giddings after Hit the Post broke his maiden at Saratoga | Tod Marks

5th-Evangeline Downs, \$33,000, 6-5, (NW1T9M), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36.16, fm, 3 1/2 lengths.

POINT PROVEN (g, 5, Gun Runner--Secret Jewel, by Bernardini) Lifetime Record: 17-4-1-4, \$213,730. O-Norman C. Miller IV; B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-David Terre. *\$675,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$45,000 3yo '23 KEEAPR. **1/2 to Twenty Carat (Into Mischief), GSW, \$118,850. ***Half-brother El Magnifico (Street Sense) won at Churchill Downs (See CD7).

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6th-Charles Town, \$28,800, 6-5, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18.28, ft, 9 1/4 lengths.

UNCLE CAT (g, 4, Nyquist--Dance Thewayyouare, by Mineshaft) Lifetime Record: 18-3-4-3, \$138,844. O-Euro Stable; B-Track West Racing Inc. (ON); T-Somraj Singh. *\$110,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$90,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

5th-Fair Meadows, \$21,120, (S), 6-5, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:23.14, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

STORMY'S REVENGE (f, 4, Magna Graduate--Serena Ballerina, by Cherokee Run) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-2, \$31,749. O-BSF Equine Athlete LLC; B-Clark O. Brewster (OK); T-Juan Padilla. *\$32,000 2yo '23 TTAAPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Holiday Rose, f, 3, **Ami's Holiday**--Rose in the Forest, by Old Forester. Woodbine, 6-5, (WC), 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05.55. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,835. B-Sunrise Farm (ON). *C\$13,000 RNA Ylg '23 CANSEP. **1ST-TIME STARTER.

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Tough Customer, c, 3, **Candy Ride (Arg)**--Splendid Solution, by Unbridled's Song. Churchill Downs, 6-5, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:16.73. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$54,810. B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY). *1/2 to West Coast Belle (**Tapit**), GSW, \$212,196.

Josefina, f, 3, Higher Power--Calabrisella, by Curlin. Belterra, 6-6, (S), 6f, 1:15.15. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-3, \$29,280. B-Julie Veronica Knott (OH).

Hit the Post, g, 3, Kantharos--Memento d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro. Saratoga, 6-6, (S), 7f, 1:23.12. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$64,463. B-Old Tavern Farm LLC (NY). *\$55,000 RNA Ylg '23 SARAUG. **Won by 6 3/4 Lengths.

Holiday Cheer, f, 3, Mr Speaker--Oh Whata Holiday (MSP, \$157,291), by Harlan's Holiday. Evangeline Downs, 6-5, (S), 5f, :58.72. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. B-World War IV Racing LLC (LA). *1/2 to Six String (Star Guitar), MSW, \$364,710. **1ST-TIME STARTER.



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Anchor Down, On the Mark, g, 5, o/o Lady Rushmoore, by Wild Rush. AOC, 6-6, Laurel

Audible, Bellacose, f, 3, o/o Little Bullet, by Uncle Mo. ALW, 6-6, Saratoga

Blue Point (Ire), Storm Miami (Ire), f, 4, o/o Cosmic Love (GB), by Sea The Stars (Ire). AOC, 6-6, Saratoga

Candy Ride (Arg), Tough Customer, c, 3, o/o Splendid Solution, by Unbridled's Song. MCL, 6-5, Churchill Downs

Caravaggio, Fond Farewell, g, 3, o/o County Clare, by Uncle Mo. MSW, 6-6, Churchill Downs



The Dettori dismount at Saratoga | Tod Marks

Collected, Good Temper, f, 3, o/o Rachel Wall, by Blame. AOC, 6-6, Churchill Downs

Constitution, Parchment Party, c, 4, o/o Life Well Lived, by Tiznow. GIII Belmont Gold Cup S., 6-6, Saratoga

Cotai Glory (GB), Sunset Glory (Ire), m, 5, o/o Giant Dancer, by Giant's Causeway. AOC, 6-6, Santa Anita

Daddy Long Legs, Works for Me, c, 4, o/o Bella's Game, by Soldat. AOC, 6-6, Saratoga

Empire Way, Empire's Fire, g, 6, o/o Victoria's On Fire, by Langfuhr. Best of Ohio Babst/Palacios Memorial S., 6-6, Belterra **Expert Eye (GB)**, Out too Late (GB), f, 4, o/o Miss Atomic Bomb (GB), by Intikhab. AOC, 6-5, Churchill Downs

Flameaway, Dreamaway, f, 3, o/o Dream Dancing, by Tapit. ALW, 6-6, Churchill Downs

Frankel (GB), Asbury Park (GB), c, 3, o/o Limonar (Ire), by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 6-6, Saratoga

Gift Box, Cadeau d'Argent, g, 3, o/o For All the Grands, by Tale of Ekati. AOC, 6-6, Laurel

Girvin, Dorth Vader, m, 5, o/o Hardcore Candy, by Yonaguska. Gl Ogden Phipps S. Presented by Ford, 6-6, Saratoga

Gun Runner, Point Proven, g, 5, o/o Secret Jewel, by Bernardini. ALW, 6-5, Evangeline

Higher Power, Josefina, f, 3, o/o Calabrisella, by Curlin. MSW, 6-6, Belterra

Jack Milton, Heartbeat, f, 3, o/o Pick of the Pack, by Lil's Lad. MSW, 6-6, Churchill Downs

Kantharos, Hit the Post, g, 3, o/o Memento d'Oro, by Medaglia d'Oro. MSW, 6-6, Saratoga

Karakontie (Jpn), She Feels Pretty, f, 4, o/o Summer Sweet, by More Than Ready. GI New York S. Presented by Rivers Casino, 6-6, Saratoga

Kiss the Ghost, Just Like Rambo, g, 3, o/o Uknowi'mbusy, by Concord Point. Best of Ohio Green Carpet S., 6-6, Belterra

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Lemon Drop Kid, Lifelovenlaughter, m, 5, o/o Too Foofoo for You, by Freud. AOC, 6-6, Laurel

Magna Graduate, Stormy's Revenge, f, 4, o/o Serena Ballerina, by Cherokee Run. ALW, 6-5, Fair Meadows

Maxfield, Lilies N Paradise, f, 2, o/o Why Oh You, by Yes It's True. MSW, 6-6, Churchill Downs

Midshipman, Gerrards Cross, f, 2, o/o Spanish Concert, by Concerto. MSW, 6-6, Gulfstream

Mr Speaker, Holiday Cheer, f, 3, o/o Oh Whata Holiday, by Harlan's Holiday. MSW, 6-5, Evangeline

Night of Thunder (Ire), Dynamic Pricing (Ire), f, 4, o/o Shemda (Ire), by Dutch Art (GB). GI Just a Game S. Presented by Resolute Racing, 6-6, Saratoga

Nyquist, Malarchuk, c, 4, o/o Seize the Ring, by Tiznow. AOC, 6-6, Saratoga

Nyquist, Uncle Cat, g, 4, o/o Dance Thewayyouare, by Mineshaft. ALW, 6-5, Charles Town

Practical Joke, Ways and Means, f, 4, o/o Strong Incentive, by Warrior's Reward. GII Bed o' Roses S., 6-6, Saratoga

Street Boss, Silent Rule, f, 4, o/o Modern Lady, by Candy Ride (Arg). Best of Ohio Diana S., 6-6, Belterra

Street Sense, El Magnifico, r, 4, o/o Secret Jewel, by Bernardini. ALW, 6-6, Churchill Downs

Street Sense, La Cara, f, 3, o/o Cara Caterina, by Bernardini. GI DK Horse Acorn S., 6-6, Saratoga

Tourist, Spellcast, g, 4, o/o Orientate to Luv, by Orientate. Best of Ohio Sydney Gendelman S., 6-6, Belterra

Uncle Mo, Foreseen, f, 4, o/o Imprecation, by First Defence. ALW, 6-5, Churchill Downs

Union Rags, Ragtime, f, 3, o/o Burmilla, by Storm Cat. MSW, 6-6, Saratoga

Valiant Minister, Iron Hand, c, 3, o/o Bev's Humor, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 6-6, Gulfstream

Vekoma, Vehemente, f, 3, o/o Resoundingly, by Stormy Atlantic. AOC, 6-6, Saratoga

Win Win, Chasing My Dream, c, 2, o/o Quickasakitten, by Kitten's Joy. MSW, 6-6, Gulfstream

World of Trouble, Wonder World, f, 3, o/o Hey Monba, by Monba. Best of Ohio Norm Barron Queen City Oaks, 6-6, Belterra



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Storm Miami (first left) storms home through the downpour at Saratoga | Tod Marks



Team Bellacose in the winner's circle | Tod Marks



Dynamic Pricing's Just A Game flowers | Sarah Andrew





'A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT': O'BRIEN HAILS FRANKEL'S MINNIE HAUK AFTER "OAKS ELEVEN"



Minnie Hauk just gets the best of Whirl in the Oaks | PA Media

by Tom Frary

There was a Guineas-Oaks double on the line in Friday's Betfred-sponsored Classic, but in truth **Desert Flower** never really featured as Ballydoyle's Epsom stranglehold tightened further. From the start, the stable's number one **Minnie Hauk** followed stablemate **Whirl** around and from over two out it was that pair who dominated, coming home in isolation to complete another successful assault by Rosegreen on the fillies' monument. An astonishing 11th in this particular race.

Frankel's Minnie Hauk, who was a headline act from the first sight of her in public at the 2023 Goffs Orby Book 1 Sale, was just getting started when winning the Listed Cheshire Oaks last month and there was more than a degree of comfort in this follow-up despite the winning margin being only a neck. Able to saunter behind the strong tempo set by Wootton Bassett's Musidora winner, the 9-2 second favourite was set alight by Ryan Moore heading to the three-furlong pole with Whirl's rider Wayne Lordan still holding something back. Cont. p3

MAGNIER: 'THIS IS WHAT RACING IS ALL ABOUT - THIS PLACE'

By Emma Berry

epsom Downs, UK -- It is impossible to think of the Coolmore operation without the name Sangster coming to mind and, not for the first time, a member of the clan has been instrumental in aiding Coolmore to Classic glory. The imperious Minnie Hauk reeled in and eventually – but only just – overhauled her front-running stable-mate Whirl to give Ben Sangster his second winner of the Oaks as breeder after Dancing Rain struck at Epsom back in 2011. For good measure, he also bred last year's Coronation Cup winner Luxembourg (Camelot). For Aidan O'Brien and the team from Ballydoyle this was a fourth Classic success of the European season and an eleventh win in the Oaks since Shahtoush 27 years ago. The numbers continue to veer off the charts.

Sangster didn't sound too perturbed at being disturbed by the *TDN* while on holiday in Copenhagen, and answered the phone with a "Wasn't that fantastic?" **Cont. p5**



Minnie Hauk and team in the hallowed winner's circle at Epsom
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CLASSIC WINNERS SOVEREIGNTY AND JOURNALISM FACE OFF IN THE BELMONT STAKES AT SARATOGA

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Magic 301: Darley's Dubawi sired his 301st stakes winner at Epsom Downs on Friday when Formal won the Listed Nyetimber Surrey Stakes in the Cheveley Park colours. | Getty Images

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G1 Betfred Oaks Cont. from p1

It was between the three and the two that the Oaks was won, however, with Minnie Hauk engaging that acceleration derived

from her Juddmonte dynasty of Kingman and co. to record a race-settling split of:11.41. While Whirl was faster in the final furlong, it may have been the winner idling or paying for her earlier surge or a mixture of both. Godolphin's 1,000 Guineas-winning 11-10 favourite Desert Flower, whose sire Night Of Thunder was never going to be a convincing source of stamina, was tiring at the death four lengths away.

"The filly in front is good and kept building the whole way, but my filly got there easily and then

waited with me," Moore said. "I think she'll improve for the experience and she won't need to go beyond a mile and a half-she'll be an Irish Oaks/Nassau type of filly and we'll go from

there. She should continue to thrive."

Introduced over a mile at Cork at the beginning of October, Minnie Hauk shaped as many of the stable's newcomers do when in need of that initial education 2 1/2 lengths adrift of

Wemightakedlongway. Sharper for her second day at school later that month, she went one better at Leopardstown and continued her incremental progression on her return in the Cheshire Oaks with one of those workmanlike performances that suggest so much more.

Aidan O'Brien had talked recently about the improvement made by Lake Victoria from her first start of the season and Minnie Hauk is clearly another who has engineered a quantum leap since her relaunch. After she had become the first of the

trainer's nine Cheshire Oaks winners to follow up in this, the master of Ballydoyle offered an insight into her rate of progression. **Cont. p4**

"She's a great traveller with a lot of class...so she can take on the boys if the lads decide. There's every possibility she will be an Arc filly. She's a big middle-distance filly who was working like a Guineas filly. When that happens it's a little bit different."

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G1 Betfred Oaks Cont.

"She barely made Chester and she made abnormal improvement from there, which we thought she might," he explained. "That win was all about class rather than stamina or fitness, she just has a lot of class."

"I'd say she's still a bit green and she was always going to improve with racing," he added. "She's a great traveller with a lot of class--Ryan said he was going very easy early on--so she can take on the boys if the lads decide. There's every possibility she will be an Arc filly. She's a big middle-distance filly who was working like a Guineas filly. When that happens it's a little bit different. The Irish Oaks is always close to our hearts and then there's the Yorkshire Oaks and the French trials before

the Arc."



Ryan Moore and Aidan O'Brien after the Oaks | PA Media

Whirl's performance follows hot on the heels of the Prix du Jockey Club victory of Camille Pissarro and O'Brien was keen to focus on the current Wootton Bassett phenomenon sweeping

his stable. "It's very unusual what they are doing, they are speed horses but a lot are staying as well," he said. "She was fighting back again at the line--it's incredible really. Maybe she might be comfortable going back to a mile and a quarter."

> Charlie Appleby said of Desert Flower, "It just looked like she got a bit unbalanced coming down the hill and hit a bit of a flat spot just at the point you don't want to, but take nothing away from the first two as they just kept galloping. I wasn't worried about the ground, but William [Buick] felt travelling round early doors before we even got into the race that she would be more comfortable on a sounder surface."

"She stayed, but she hasn't got a kick at this distance and William said he wouldn't mind bringing

her back to a mile and a quarter," he added. "Even if we had got to them, they looked like they would have kicked again and they were both finding at the business end whereas all we were doing was galloping." Cont. p5



Bred by Ben Sangster and sold at the Goffs Orby Sale in 2023 by Camas Park Stud to MV Magnier for €1,850,000



G1 Betfred Oaks Cont.

Appleby was not ruling out another tilt at the trip. "I'll let the dust settle as always, but I would like to see her on a more conventional track just because of the size of her. The jury is out on the trip, but personally I would like to see her in the Yorkshire Oaks--a nice, galloping track like that will suit her. It's not a bad result and she's finished third in a Classic, but we'll regroup and go again."

Pedigree Notes

Minnie Hauk's dam Multilingual, a daughter of Dansili who was purchased out of the Juddmonte draft by the Sangsters for \$525,000 at the 2019 Keeneland November Sale, is out of Zamindar's G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Zenda which makes her a half-sister to the brilliant Kingman and a full-sister to the G3 Tercentenary Stakes winner Remote.

Zenda, a half-sister to the sprinter and sire supreme Oasis Dream, also produced a son of Frankel in First Eleven who was in his element at this trip and was third in the G3 Cumberland Lodge Stakes. The fourth dam Bahamian was fifth in this Classic before producing the Irish Oaks heroine Wemyss Bight whose son of Sadler's Wells, Beat Hollow, was third in the Derby.

After her sale, Multilingual produced as her first foal First Defence's Tilsit who took the G2 Summer Mile and G3 Thoroughbred Stakes and was second in the G1 Prix d'Ispahan. She has a 2-year-old filly by No Nay Never named Voice Coach and has just produced a filly foal by Justify.

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Friday, Epsom, Britain BETFRED OAKS-G1, £573,150, Epsom, 6-6, 3yo, f, 12f 6yT, 2:38.91, g/s.

1--MINNIE HAUK (IRE), 128, f, 3, by Frankel (GB)

1st Dam: Multilingual (GB), by Dansili (GB)

2nd Dam: Zenda (GB), by Zamindar 3rd Dam: Hope (Ire), by Dancing Brave **1ST GROUP WIN**; **1ST GROUP 1 WIN**. (€1,850,000 Ylg '23 GOFOR). O-Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-B V Sangster; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £325,033. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$547,284. *1/2 to Tilsit (First Defence), MGSW-Eng & G1SP-Fr, \$234,843. **Werk Nick Rating:** A+++. *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Whirl (Ire), 128, f, 3, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Salsa (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE**. O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Mrs John Magnier; B-Coolmore; T-Aidan
 - O'Brien. £123,227.

3--Desert Flower (Ire), 128, f, 3, Night Of Thunder (Ire)-Promising Run, by Hard Spun. TDN Rising Star. O/B-Godolphin;
T-Charlie Appleby. £61,671.

Margins: NK, 4, 1. Odds: 4.50, 7.50, 1.10.

Also Ran: Wemightakedlongway (Ire), Giselle (Ire), Revoir (GB), Elwateen (Ire), Qilin Queen (Ire), Go Go Boots (GB).

Magnier & Sangster On The Oaks Cont. from p1

Indeed it was, and the ever-modest breeder added of his Classic double, "I've just been lucky. It's all thanks to two great trainers in William Haggas and Aidan O'Brien, and two brilliant fillies."

He continued, "It looks like they are going to have a great time with Minnie Hauk. That was very impressive and I'm delighted for them as they paid a lot of money for her. They've got a wonderful filly and she's from a fantastic family."

That family is one more usually synonymous with Juddmonte. Not only is Minnie Hauk by Frankel but her dam Multilingual (Dansili) is a half-sister to Kingman, who is in turn responsible for one of the most exciting three-year-old colts of the season in the Irish 2,000 Guineas winner Field Of Gold.

"I really should be there [at Epsom] and not here," Sangster said. "But we managed to see the race and I'm sure we'll be opening a bottle to celebrate." Cont. p6



"I don't want to sound like an old stuck record but the Derby is what our entire business is modelled on. The Derby is the most important race, it's the most important stallion-making race. It's why we get up in the morning."

--MV Magnier

Magnier & Sangster On The Oaks Cont.

The on-course celebrations were joined by Sangster's son Ollie, who came so close to claiming a Classic of his own as a trainer this season when saddling the second and third home in the 1,000 Guineas. He had bought Multilingual on his father's behalf at Keeneland back in 2019 and Minnie Hauk has already more than paid back that initial outlay of \$525,000. Not only has her Classic victory given an already-glittery family an extra sparkle but she also topped the Goffs Orby Sale of 2023 when selling for €1.85 million to MV Magnier.

The team of Coolmore partners was out in force at Epsom, and had already celebrated the battling success of last year's St Leger hero Jan Brueghel in the Coronation Cup - a tenth victory in that particular Group 1 for O'Brien. Both he and Minnie Hauk had been galvanised to victory by the peerless Ryan Moore.

A brother to the Irish Derby winner Sovereign, Jan Brueghel, bred by David Nagle, another key Coolmore ally, ensured that his sire Galileo was not forgotten this Derby weekend, 24 years after the late champion's own Epsom triumph. And there he was again, an hour later, as grandsire of the first two home in the Oaks.

"It's incredible. This is what racing is all about – this place," said MV Magnier. "It means so much to everybody here. Ben and Lucy Sangster, who bred the filly, they are very good customers of ours and I am delighted for them, and for David and Diane Nagle as well. And the best thing is that Multilingual is in foal to Justify."

He added, "I must thank Fred Done [of Betfred] for everything he is doing for the sport. To sponsor all five Classics is an incredible thing."

In celebrating Minnie Hauk, a thought must be spared for the plucky Whirl, who had stripped fittest of all in the paddock and did everything right bar win, after making all of the running under Wayne Lordan and being denied by a neck. It's the second time her sire Wootton Bassett has provided the runner-up in an

Epsom Classic after King Of Steel in the Derby two years ago. Having been responsible already this season for the French Classic-winning duo of Henri Matisse and Camille Pissarro, as well as one of the most exciting juveniles we've seen out so far in Albert Einstein, Wootton Bassett continues to prove his versatility – a trait which separates the good stallions from the great ones.

"It goes back to the old thing: let the horses do the talking. When you have Aidan and Ryan, and you have Wootton Bassett and Justify...," said Magnier, tailing off as if to emphasise his first sentence.

And so, after a big day, thoughts turn to an even bigger day, and a Beftred Derby which is considered by many to be one of the most open races for the Blue Riband in many a year. O'Brien and Coolmore have three of the top five in the betting. The mighty Moore is, of course, on the favourite Delacroix (Dubawi).

Looking ahead to this most celebrated of Classics, Magnier added, "I don't want to sound like an old stuck record but the Derby is what our entire business is modelled on. The Derby is the most important race, it's the most important stallion-making race. It's why we get up in the morning."

Saturday morning can't come soon enough.

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TEN UP FOR O'BRIEN AS GALILEO'S JAN **BRUEGHEL WINS CORONATION CUP**

THRILLER by Tom Frary

Friday's G1 Betfred Coronation Cup turned out to be as pure a mile-and-a-half test as it gets and in the moment of truth it was Jan Brueghel who shed his playboy image to tough it out in an Epsom battle royal with Calandagan. Raw and green despite winning a St Leger during his unbeaten 3-year-old campaign, what could be Galileo's final Classic winner had to show his true mettle here with stablemate and fellow Doncaster Classic winner Continuous and Wayne Lordan putting everything into

Getting first run on the heavily-favoured son of Gleneagles from three out, Jan Brueghel finally got to show the lethal middle-distance pace he had been keeping in reserve to get to the furlong pole marginally ahead. For maybe a stride, Mickael Barzalona got ahead of Ryan Moore soon after but there is a sizeable depth to the winner and he was able to stretch out a half-length advantage by the line. There was a yawning sevenlength gap back to Mastercraftsman's class act Giavellotto in third, underlining the quality of this renewal.

Aidan O'Brien, who was making it 10 Coronation Cups just before greeting his 11th Oaks winner, revealed the not-so-subtle plot Team Ballydoyle had hatched beforehand. Cont. p7

G1 Betfred Coronation Cup Cont.

He said, "Wayne got the fractions perfect. Everybody knew the pace was going to be honest and even and everybody was going to get a clear shot at it, but in that ground you were going to have to get the mile and a half very well," he said. "We knew that if we were going to expose His Highness's horse it was going to be over this trip if the pace was strong and solid."

Direct comparison can be made with the Oaks, where the front-running Whirl covered the first mile in 110.73 and Continuous in 109.26 and while Minnie Hauk closed off the last four furlongs in 48.11, Jan Brueghel who was also faster than Whirl for the first mile stormed home in 46.93. This was the performance of a standout mile-and-a-half performer belonging in the top bracket. His stunning 11.10 sectional between the three and the two was the fastest individual split in the race and a surprising one from a Leger winner, confirming that he has become a faster, slicker model from three to four.

Calandagan closed out the last half a mile in 46.68 and was faster than the winner in each of the last three furlongs, but was a touch below his form from last year's Juddmonte International with the camber of the track taking something crucial away from his potency. Aidan O'Brien described the moment that Calandagan came to Jan Brueghel as "slow motion", but there was nothing tardy about the way these two middledistance giants forged a finale to remember.

Jan Brueghel defeats Calandagan | Getty Images

"He came to him, but he didn't go by him quick and Jan Brueghel doesn't lie down," O'Brien said of the 10-3 second favourite. "He is very straightforward and genuine and brave and Ryan gave him a class ride. It was incredible in the straight how he carried on."

Jan Brueghel's immediate target is not set in stone, with his involvement here only due to the retirement of Kyprios meaning that Illinois was diverted to the Gold Cup. Where the "stand-in" goes next is uncertain, with Los Angeles top dog as far as the King George is concerned. "At Group 1 level, he is a mile-and-a-half-plus horse who would still be unbeaten if I hadn't run him at the Curragh last time," he said.

"Everyone was standing in line behind Kyprios and when he was retired Illinois was put in the Gold Cup and this fella came into Illinois's position. He could go to the King George, but Los Angeles is the boss at the minute and they will all have to go

where Los Angeles doesn't go, I'd imagine."

Francis-Henri Graffard said of Calandagan, "I don't have any excuses. The horse had the perfect run and Mickael gave him a ride with plenty of thought. He's a very talented horse who needs to win a Group 1 and I'm sure he will. He's in the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud."

Barzalona added, "He's always slowly away, but once he found his rhythm I was behind Ryan at Tattenham Corner and I was pretty happy to be there. I think I hit the front 100 yards before the line and he kind of just stayed on and got a bit tired going uphill. The O'Brien horse was just a little bit stronger today. I hope one day we will be able to break a little bit faster and be able to get a better position earlier, but he has his own rhythm and we'll have to deal with that for the moment."

Marco Botti was happy with the effort of the Hong Kong Vase hero Giavellotto and could only marvel at the front two. "It was a good run, but they were a couple of proper horses in front of

> us," he said. "My horse has run with credit, but Aidan said they would go hard and that's the way it turned out."

Pedigree Notes

One of Galileo's last **TDN** Rising Stars, Jan Brueghel is also one of two Classic winners out of Danehill Dancer's smart Devoted To You who was runner-up in the G2 Debutante Stakes as a juvenile. The other is his Irish Derby-winning fullbrother Sovereign, who caught everyone unawares with a front-

running powerhouse performance in the 2019 renewal of that Curragh feature, while her other Galileo to make a mark is the Group 3-winning stayer Dawn Rising who was third in the Irish St

Devoted To You, a half-sister to four Stakes winners headed by the GIII Honeybee Stakes scorer Humble Eight, is a daughter of the Fillies' Mile third Morning Devotion responsible for another Irish Derby winner in the Oaks heroine Balanchine as well as the Group 2 winners Romanov and Red Slippers. The latter produced the G1 Prix de Diane heroine West Wind and is the ancestress of Thunder Snow and Dubawi's ill-fated star Coroebus, among several others. Devoted To You's 2-year-old filly by St Mark's Basilica was a €460,000 purchase by Richard Knight for Salhia Stud at Goffs Orby Book 1, while she also has a yearling filly by Wootton Bassett.

Friday, Epsom, Britain BETFRED CORONATION CUP-G1, £450,000, Epsom, 6-6, 4yo/up, 12f 6yT, 2:36.13, g/s.

1--JAN BRUEGHEL (IRE), 128, c, 4, by Galileo (Ire)
1st Dam: Devoted To You (Ire) (MGSP-Ire),
by Danehill Dancer (Ire)

2nd Dam: Alleged Devotion, by Alleged 3rd Dam: Morning Devotion, by Affirmed

TDN Rising Star. O-Westerberg, Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Barronstown Stud; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. £255,195. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ire, 6-5-1-0, \$1,120,154. *Full to Sovereign (Ire), G1SW-Ire, G1SP-Eng, \$1,173,919; and Dawn Rising (Ire), GSW & G1SP-Ire, GSP-Eng, \$330,414. Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus*. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

- 2--Calandagan (Ire), 128, g, 4, Gleneagles (Ire)--Calayana (Fr), by Sinndar (Ire). O/B-Aga Khan Studs; T-Francis-Henri Graffard. £96,750.
- 3--Giavellotto (Ire), 128, h, 6, Mastercraftsman (Ire)--Gerika (Fr), by Galileo (Ire). O-Scuderia La Tesa Ltd & Vaibhav Shah; B-Societa Agricola La Tesa SRL; T-Marco Botti. £48,420. Margins: HF, 7, 5HF. Odds: 3.33, 0.62, 5.50. Also Ran: Continuous (Jpn), Ancient Wisdom (Fr), Bellum Justum (Ire), You Got To Me (GB).

THE AGA KHANS AND THE DERBY

By John Berry

Epsom racecourse and the sponsor Betfred are to be saluted on their decision to run this year's Derby 'In Honour of His Highness Aga Khan IV'. No family has been a more constant competitor in the Derby over the past century than the Aga Khans. Most recently, HH Aga Khan IV, who died in February, headed the family's racing operation for 65 years, during which time he earned the respect and affection of professionals and public alike thanks to his unique blend of passion, knowledge, sportsmanship, courtesy and dignity.

The Aga Khan's grandfather, HH Aga Khan III, joined Europe's ranks of racehorse owners in 1921 when, advised by the Honourable George Lambton, he bought his first yearlings. When he started to have runners (at Ascot, of course!) the following summer he was instantly successful. His first runner Cos took the Queen Mary Stakes and Tricky Aunt won the Windsor Castle Stakes. Later in the summer Bombay Duck won the Richmond Stakes at Goodwood. That first bunch of yearlings, so astutely bought by Lambton, then threw up Classic contenders in 1923: Cos finished second in the 1,000 Guineas and Teresina finished third in both the Oaks and St Leger.

Even better was to follow. HH Aga Khan III's second batch of

yearlings, bought in 1922, was headed by the most influential mare who would ever grace the Aga Khan Studs, 'The Flying Filly' Mumtaz Mahal. Also in that bunch was the 1924 2,000 Guineas winner Diophon and the same year's St Leger hero Salmon-Trout. Both colts ran in the Derby but finished unplaced behind the 17th Earl of Derby's Sansovino.



Sinndar, winner of the Derby 25 years ago, is broodmare sire of both

Midak and Calandagan | Racingfotos.com

The following year HH Aga Khan III first came close to winning the great race when the well-named Zionist (a son of the Roi Herode mare Judea, and subsequently winner of the Irish Derby) finished second to Henry Morriss's 2,000 Guineas winner Manna.

Five years after owning his first Derby place-getter, HH Aga Khan III owned his first Derby winner when Blenheim scored at Epsom. By this time, the Aga Khan was already breeding a large proportion of his horses. His homebred three-year-olds that year included the Eclipse and Champion Stakes winner Rustom Pasha (a son of Cos) and Irish Oaks heroine Theresina, who was by Diophon out of Teresina. However, Blenheim had been bought as a yearling from his breeder, the 6th Earl of Carnvaron.

HH Aga Khan owned two more Derby winners in the 1930s, both homebreds. First came the 1935 Triple Crown hero Bahram, a son of the Friar Marcus mare Friar's Daughter whom the Aga Khan's trainer Dick Dawson had bought on the Aga Khan's behalf for 250 guineas at the St Leger yearling sale in 1922. The following year the great race fell to the brilliant grey colt Mahmoud, trained like Bahram by Frank Butters in Fitzroy House, Newmarket. Mahmoud, a son of Blenheim, was the first foal of Mah Mahal, who was by Gainsborough out of Mumtaz Mahal.

HH Aga Khan III owned two more Derby winners after the war: My Love (whom he raced in partnership with the colt's breeder Leon Volterra) in 1948 and Tulyar in 1952. Cont. p9

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He bred the latter, a son of his homebred wartime St Leger winner Tehran, in partnership with his son Prince Aly, father of HH Aga Khan IV, from the Nearco mare Neocracy, who subsequently produced the 1959 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Saint Crespin.

Tragically, Prince Aly Khan, a passionate sportsman and talented horseman, only enjoyed a brief term as head of the family's racing operation, was fatally injured in a car crash in 1960 only three years after the death of his father. His premature passing placed the 23-year-old HH Aga Khan IV at the head of the bloodstock empire. Initially hesitant, the latter then decided to take up the mantle seriously and with enthusiasm. Over the next 65 years he guided the Aga Khan Studs to an ever more eminent position in the bloodstock world, gracing winner's enclosures on great occasions all around the globe - including on Derby Day at Epsom five times.

HH Aga Khan IV must have had high hopes of winning his first Derby in 1977 when the brilliant Blushing Groom, trained by his friend and mentor Francois Mathet, started favourite after an impressive victory in the Poule d'Essai des Poulains. However, he turned out to be less effective over a mile and a half, weakening in the closing stages to finish third to The Minstrel.

Four years later there were no stamina worries when the mighty Shergar, a fifth-generation descendant of Mumtaz Mahal, justified odds-on favouritism to become the widest-margin Derby winner in history, scoring by 10 lengths. Other great days followed. In 1986 Shahrastani lowered the colours of the great Dancing Brave, holding off the latter's flying finish by half a length before, like Shergar, strolling home in the Irish Derby a month later.



HH Aga Khan IV at Epsom after Harzand's win with HM Queen Elizabeth II and Pat Smullen | Racingfotos.com

In 1988 Kahyasi, wearing the Aga Khan's green and brown hooped 'second' colours (which had been his grandfather's principal livery) won the great race with the owner's first string, the 2,000 Guineas winner Doyoun, finishing third. Kahyasi's seventh dam Qurrat-Al-Ain, winner at Ascot of the Queen Mary Stakes in 1929 and the Coronation Stakes in 1930, had been bought as a yearling in 1928 by HH Aga Khan III. In 2000, Sinndar won a Derby notable for the fact that both winner and runner-up (Sakhee) subsequently won a Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

The Aga Khan didn't quite reach the winner's enclosure in 2003 when Alamshar, also descending from Mumtaz Mahal, came from a long way back to finish third to Kris Kin.

Subsequent events, though, suggested that he was owner/breeder of the two best colts in Europe that summer.

Alamshar won the Irish Derby next time out, beating his owner's first string Dalakhani, who had just won the Prix du Jockey Club and who went on to take the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in the autumn. Alamshar then won the King George VI And Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot.

HH Aga Khan's final Derby triumph came in 2016 with Harzand, another to complete the Derby and Irish Derby double. He did not have a runner last year in the final Derby of his lifetime but he enjoyed a good Epsom even so because Ezeliya won the Oaks. It is very fitting that this year's Derby will be run in his honour and if his daughter Princess Zahra were to find herself stepping forward to receive the winner's trophy on behalf of the Aga Khan Studs' runner Midak, she would be doing so accompanied by cheers of approval from the entire racing world.

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EUROPEAN NEWS

PORTA FORTUNA TO MISS ROYAL ASCOT AFTER SUSTAINING A "SMALL INJURY"

Multiple Group 1 winner **Porta Fortuna** will miss a start at Royal Ascot later this month after picking up a "small injury", according to trainer Donnacha O'Brien who announced the news on Instagram. Connections had been mulling a start in either the G2 Duke Of Cambridge Stakes or the G1 Queen Anne Stakes at Ascot.

A runner for Barry Fowler, Medallion Racing, Steve Weston and Reeves Thoroughbreds, the 4-year-old will be away from the races until later this year.

"Unfortunately Porta Fortuna has picked up a small injury and will miss Ascot," O'Brien posted on Friday. "We look forward to getting her back on track later this year." Cont. p10

Porta Fortuna Cont. from p1

The daughter of Caravaggio was a Group 1 winner at two and three, with the Cheveley Park Stakes, Coronation Stakes, Falmouth Stakes and Matron Stakes going her way. Her latest trip to the post was a victory in the G2 Lanwades Stud Stakes at The Curragh on May 25, her 4-year-old bow.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Saturday, June 7, 2025:

UNITED KINGDOM

A'Ali (Ire) (Society Rock {Ire}), Newsells Park Stud
75 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
14:30-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, **U Heat (GB)**£10,000 RNA Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2024

Starman (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud 211 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner 18:00-CHEPSTOW, 5f, Flowerhead (Ire) 35,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2024; 35,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2025

Supremacy (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Yeomanstown Stud 130 foals of racing age/3 winners/1 black-type winner 14:30-MUSSELBURGH, 5f, Power Supreme (Ire) €18,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2024

FRANCE

Victor Ludorum (GB) (Shamardal), Haras d'Etreham 104 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners 4-DIEPPE, 1000m, Capouchine (Fr) €10,000 Arqana Deauville V2 Yearling Sale 2024

IRELAND

A'Ali (Ire) (Society Rock {Ire}), Newsells Park Stud
75 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
1-NAVAN, 5f, Fairy Oak (GB)
£30,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2024; £45,000 RNA
Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2025

Starman (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}), Tally-Ho Stud 211 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner 1-NAVAN, 5f, Lilbittyprettyone (Ire) €16,000 RNA Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2024



Victor Ludorum has a runner in France | Haras d'Etreham

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

FRANKEL'S RED LETTER DROPS IN CLASS IN THE KOOYONGA

3.55 Navan, Listed Darley Irish EBF Kooyonga Stakes, €55,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 30yT

RED LETTER (GB) (Frankel {GB}) takes in a welcome confidence boost here, having been asked a big question on her 3-year-old bow when seventh in the 1,000 Guineas. Ger Lyons looks to have found an ideal opportunity for Juddmonte's **TDN Rising Star** to get back to winning ways en route to bigger and better things.

2.00 Navan, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT

STOCK MARKET (GB) (No Nay Never) is a half-brother to Too Darn Hot's G1 Futurity Trophy winner Hotazhell who debuts for Ballydoyle in a race in which they have the experienced favourite Kansas (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}). The stable also supplies another newcomer in Warsaw (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), whose dam is an unraced full-sister to the Group 1 winners Forever Together and Together Forever linking him to City Of Troy.

HOW THEY FARED

6.40 Doncaster, Novice, 3yo, 8fT

Mudbir (GB) (Kingman {GB}), the half-brother to Mostahdaf and Nazeef, was disappointing and weakened to fifth close home.

BRITAIN

Friday's Results:

NYETIMBER SURREY STAKES-Listed, £75,000, Epsom, 6-6, 3yo, 7f 3yT, 1:24.02, g/s.

1--FORMAL (GB), 123, f, 3, by Dubawi (Ire)

1st Dam: Veracious (GB) (G1SW-Eng, \$597,607),

by Frankel (GB)

2nd Dam: Infallible (GB), by Pivotal (GB)

3rd Dam: Irresistible (GB), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB) TDN Rising Star. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-Andrew Balding; J-Oisin Murphy. £42,533. Lifetime

Record: 5-3-0-0, \$79,109.

- 2--Saggara Sands (GB), 123, f, 3, Oasis Dream (GB)--Royal Star (GB), by Sea The Stars (Ire). O-D J Deer; B-D J & Mrs Deer; T-Ralph Beckett. £16,125.
- 3--Diego Ventura (Ire), 131, c, 3, Mehmas (Ire)--Leoube (Ire), by Kodiac (GB). (€88,000 Ylg '23 GOFOR; €72,000 2yo '24 TATBRU). O-Wathnan Racing; B-Sean Ronan & Caroline Hanly; T-Hamad Al Jehani. £8,070.

Margins: 1HF, 1 1/4, 2HF. Odds: 2.25, 6.50, 2.25. Also Ran: Hallasan (GB), Rebel's Gamble (Ire), The Waco Kid (Ire), Glamis Road (Ire), Francisco's Piece (GB).

TDN Rising Star and former Sir Michael Stoute trainee Formal (Dubawi) failed to fire in two pattern-race outings after going two-for-two at Leicester in September and, coming back off a debut eighth for Andrew Balding in April's G3 Fred Darling Stakes, regained the winning thread with a decisive victory in this Derby meeting opener.

Breaking swiftly to race in second after the initial exchanges, the 9-4 joint-favourite tanked to the front with three furlongs remaining and kicked clear in style inside the final quarter-mile to easily outpoint Saggara Sands (Oasis Dream) by 1 1/2 lengths.

"I thought she ran well in the Fred Darling, but it was a funny race and she got impeded at a vital stage and didn't give her true running," explained Balding. "It made our decision easy and we skipped any idea of a [1000] Guineas and rebooted. This became the obvious choice and it's a relief to see her win like that. She had been guite keen early doors and her work is very good at home, but now she had the first run under her belt we took the hood off. She travelled really strongly, but didn't overrace. I think we'll probably wait for something like the [July 30 G3] Oak Tree [at Goodwood]. I don't think we want to be squeezing races into her and that looks the right spot for her. After that we know she goes well on slow ground, so we would have the whole autumn ahead of us. She looked quite good

there, but we will take it step by step."

Formal is the first of three foals and lone performer produced by G1 Falmouth Stakes heroine Veracious (Frankel), herself out of dual Group 1-placed G3 Nell Gwyn Stakes victrix Infallible (Pivotal). Infallible is also the dam of dual G2 Summer Milewinning G1 International, G1 Queen Anne Stakes and GI Woodbine Mile placegetter Mutakayyef (Sea The Stars) and G3 Prix de Flore victrix Intimation (Dubawi). Descendants of her third dam, stakes-winning G3 Brownstown Stakes runner-up Irresistible (Cadeaux Genereux), include G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest-winning sire Garswood (Dutch Art) and stakes-winning G1 Criterium International runner-up Portland (Dubawi). The February-foaled homebred bay is a full-sister to the hitherto unraced 2-year-old colt Veritable and half to a yearling colt by Kingman.

2nd-Epsom, £**75,000**, **Cond**, 6-6, 2yo, 6f 3yT, 1:11.75, g/s. MAXIMIZED (GB) (c, 2, Mehmas {Ire}--Boost {GB}, by Pivotal (GB)), Godolphin's £720,000 Goffs UK Breeze-Up graduate who delivered a TDN Rising Star display in his debut over six furlongs at Haydock last month, was burdened with a five-pound penalty for that initial victory and doubled his tally with a dominant performance in this former stakes-level Betfred British EBF Woodcote Stakes. The Cheveley Park Stud-bred lined up as the 6-5 favourite and was swiftly into stride to track the leaders in a share of third through the early fractions. Rowed along to gain an edge passing the quarter-mile pole, he was not for catching thereafter and kept on strongly under continued urging in the closing stages to defeat Havana Hurricane (Havana Gold) by an ultimately comfortable 1 1/2 lengths. "He skipped along the surface when he won at Haydock first time, but it's good-to-soft and the ground is quite testing out there today," commented Charlie Appleby. "The [Royal] Ascot picture is building now and if we go there it'll probably be the [G2] Coventry. If we skip that, I think the [G2] July Stakes [at Newmarket] will be a nice race for him." Maximized is the latest of five foals and one of two scorers produced by a daughter of G1 Cheveley Park Stakes heroine Hooray (Invincible Spirit), herself a out of Listed Star Stakes winner Hypnotize (Machiavellian). Hypnotize, who is a half-sister to Group 2-winning G1 1000 Guineas third Dazzle (Gone West), also threw Listed Criterium de l'Ouest victor Hypnotic (Lomitas) and Listed Two-Year-Old Trophy third Mazyoun (Mayson). The April-foaled bay is a half to Listed Cathedral Stakes victrix and G3 Ballyogan Stakes runner-up Benefit (Acclamation). Sales history: 95,000gns RNA Ylg '24 TATOCT; £720,000 2yo '25 GOUKB. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$60,430.

O-Godolphin; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-Charlie Appleby.



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3rd-Bath & Somerset County, £30,000, Mdn, 6-6, 2yo, 5f 160yT, 1:10.79, gd.

GOREY GOLD (IRE) (g, 2, Galileo Gold {GB}--Columbia Kid {Ire}, by Big Bad Bob {Ire}), a May 19 debut fifth over this distance at Windsor in his only prior start, was trapped wide early and angled inside to race under cover in eighth after the opening skirmishes here. Urged forward approaching the two pole, the 10-1 chance powered to the fore entering the final furlong and lengthened clear to easily account for Army Bugler (Soldier's Call) by an impressive 4 1/2 lengths. Gorey Gold is the latest of four foals and second scorer produced by a daughter of Tinaheely (Intikhab), herself a half-sister to GI Yellow Ribbon Stakes runner-up Tangle (Bob Back). The April-foaled chestnut hails from the family of G1 Grosser Preis Von Baden-placed sire Tuttlinger (Alpenkonig), G2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) heroine Trient (Priamos) and the latter's Group 1-placed son Generic (Hero's Honor). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$23,589. O-Portlee Bloodstock; B-Miss S von Schilcher; T-J Portman.

2nd-Doncaster, £8,000, Nov, 6-6, 3yo, 10f 43yT, 2:11.59, gd. REGAL ULIXES (GB) (c, 3, Ulysses {Ire}--Regal Realm {GB} {MGSW-Eng, \$116,452}, by Medicean {GB}), who shed maiden status in a four-runner Newbury novices' heat in September when last seen, was the slowest of six into stride and went forward to race five lengths off the lead in fourth after the opening exchanges. Bustled along approaching the quarter-mile marker, the 5-2 second favourite was driven to challenge on the stands' side passing the furlong pole and ran on strongly to edge Daiquiri Bay (New Bay) by a neck. Regal Ulixes is the latest of seven foals and one of five winners from as many runners out of G3 Prestige Stakes and G3 Oak Tree Stakes victrix Regal Realm (Medicean), herself a granddaughter of G1 Cheveley Park Stakes

heroine Regal Rose (Danehill). The March-foaled chestnut is a half-brother to multiple Group 3-winning G1 Coral Eclipse third Regal Reality (Intello), stakes-winning G3 Fred Darling Stakes second Regal Jubilee (Frankel) and to the dam of G3 Zetland Stakes runner-up Recovery Run (Nathaniel). Sales history: 70,000gns Ylg '23 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$31,255. O-Gary Gillies; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-Andrew Balding.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

4th-Epsom, £100,000, Hcp, 6-6, 4yo/up, 10f 17yT, 2:08.38, g/s. ECUREUIL SECRET (FR) (g, 4, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Vitizza {Fr}, by King's Best) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ire & MSP-Fr, 7-2-1-3, \$118,326. O-Aidan J Ryan; B-Ecurie de l'Aure; T-Richard Fahey. *€22,000 Ylg '22 ARQDOY; €60,000 RNA 2yo '23 ARQMAY.

6th-Epsom, £**75,000, Hcp**, 6-6, 4yo/up, 8f 113yT, 1:45.63, g/s. **MIRSKY (GB) (g, 6, Siyouni {Fr}--Latice {Ire} {G1SW-Fr, SW & MGSP-US, GISP-Can, \$797,391}, by Inchinor {GB})** Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 23-6-1-2, \$208,399. O-J N Blackburn; B-George Strawbridge; T-David O'Meara. *€37,000 4yo '23 ARQAU. **1/2 to Fencing (Street Cry {Ire}), MSW & G1SP-Eng, \$210,126.

7th-Epsom, £75,000, Hcp, 6-6, 3yo/up, 7f 3yT, 1:22.86, g/s. PARTISAN HERO (IRE) (g, 5, Muhaarar {GB}--Mad About You {Ire} {GSW & MG1SP-Ire, G1SP-Fr, \$495,023}, by Indian Ridge {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 17-4-4-4, \$96,694. O-D Lowe & S Hoyland; B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd; T-David Loughnane. *72,000gns 3yo '23 TATAHI. **1/2 to Mad Cool (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}), G1SW-Jpn, \$2,458,037; and A Ma Chere (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}), GSP-Ire.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

2nd-Goodwood, £**15,000, Nov**, 6-6, 3, 4,/5yo, f/m, 8fT, 1:42.42, g/s.

CALLISTO DREAM (IRE) (f, 3, Kodi Bear {Ire}--Starlight Romance {Ire}, by Excelebration {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$15,763. O-The Pistachio Partnership; B-Aughamore Stud (IRE); T-Ed Bethell. *€38,000 RNA Ylg '23 TATIRY.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

King's Charter (Ire), g, 3, Kingman (GB)--Dane Street, by Street Cry (Ire). Doncaster, 6-6, 8fT, 1:38.57. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$8,462. B-Airlie Stud & Mrs S Rogers. *€550,000 Wlg '22 GOFNO1; €650,000 Ylg '23 GOFOR. **1/2 to Skitter Scatter (Scat Daddy), G1SW-Ire, \$400,341; Full to Skellet (Ire), SW & GSP-Eng, GSP-Fr; 1/2 to Data Dependent (More Than Ready), GSP-US, \$136,670; 1/2 to Victory Dance (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}), SW & MGSP-Eng.

STAUFFENBERG BLOODSTOCK

In A Hurry (GB), f, 3, Time Test (GB)--Tight Lines (GB), by Fastnet Rock (Aus). Thirsk, 6-6, 7fT, 1:26.52. Lifetime Record: 5-1-3-0, \$13,637. B-Whitley Stud.

Patricia R (GB), f, 3, Ulysses (Ire)--Khobaraa (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Thirsk, 6-6, 7fT, 1:27.75. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,863. B-M J Rozenbroek.

IRELAND

Friday's Results:

1st-Fairyhouse, **€18,000**, **Mdn**, 6-6, 2yo, 7fT, 1:29.49, gd. GREEN SOUL (IRE) (c, 2, Bated Breath {GB}--Mireille {Ire} **(SW-Fr)**, by Dalakhani **(Ire)**), who was denied by a neck tackling just over 7 1/2 furlongs at Roscommon in his May 12 debut last time, tracked the leaders in fourth through halfway in this one. Easing into contention off the home turn, the 11-2 chance came under pressure when carried wide to the stands' side soon after passing the quarter-mile marker and kept on relentlessly under a late drive to nail Frescobaldi (No Nay Never) by a head on the line. "They were all behaved well until we came to the turn and then, when we got into the straight, they went every way," said rider Declan McDonogh. "Rather than stop his momentum, I had to keep going and when he saw the left rail I let him up onto it and it helped him. I'd say he's a work-in-progress and there is plenty more in there. I gave him a crack and he responded well." Green Soul is the sixth of seven foals and fourth scorer produced by Listed Prix de Saint-Cyr victrix Mireille (Dalakhani), herself kin to stakes-winning G3 Diamond Stakes third Hawke (Oratorio) and to the dam of dual stakes-winning G3 Tyros Stakes runnerup Hellsing (Dandy Man). The March-foaled bay, whose second dam is G3 Prix de Flore victrix Australie (Sadler's Wells), is half to a yearling filly by Blue Point. Sales history: €60,000 Ylg '24 GOFORY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$17,957.

O-Simon Munir & Isaac Souede; B-Ballygallon Stud Ltd; T-Joseph O'Brien.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

4th-Fairyhouse, €22,000, Cond, 6-6, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:16.23, gd. KING CUAN (GB) (g, 4, Tasleet {GB}--Rutherford {Ire}, by Dutch Art {GB}) Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, \$161,705. O-Red Lily Racing Syndicate; B-R F & S D Knipe; T-Paddy Twomey. *20,000gns Wlg '21 TADEWE; €21,000 Ylg '22 GOFSPT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mo Chroi (Fr), c, 3, Galiway (GB)--Much Promise (GB), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Fairyhouse, 6-6, 10fT, 2:07.09. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$9,937. B-SCEA Haras de Gratte Panche & M Michel Dardenne. *€8,000 Ylg '23 ARQDOY; €62,000 2yo '24

TATBRU.

Germanese (Ire), f, 4, Night Of Thunder (Ire)--Expensive Date (GB) (SP-Eng), by Monsieur Bond (Ire). Fairyhouse, 6-6, 7fT, 1:27.85. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$8,565. B-Redpender Stud Ltd. *€110,000 Ylg '22 GOFOR.

FRANCE

Friday's Results:

3rd-Compiegne, €**27,000, Mdn**, 6-6, 3yo, 8fT, 1:42.17, vsf. DANCING FLAME (IRE) (f, 3, Siyouni {Fr}--Lumiere {GB} **(G1SW-Eng, \$329,674), by Shamardal)**, denied by a short-neck going seven furlongs at this venue in her May 10 debut last time, recovered from a slightly hesitant getaway to track the leader in second after the early strides of this one. Joining the leader with 500 metres remaining, the 6-4 pick eased to the front soon after and kept on strongly inside the final quarter-mile to comfortably outpoint Mahasen (Night Of Thunder) by two lengths. Dancing Flame is the fifth of seven foals and fourth scorer thrown by G1 Cheveley Park Stakes victrix Lumiere (Shamardal), herself a fullsister to GI E P Taylor Stakes heroine Sheikha Reika and a half to Listed Oyster Stakes runner-up Rouge Sellier (Lope De Vega). Sheikha Reika, in turn, is the dam of Listed Stonehenge Stakes second Arabic Legend (Dubawi). The March-foaled homebred grey is a half-sister to G2 Cape Verdi victrix Silver Lady (Sea The Stars), G3 Darley Stakes winner Highland Avenue (Dubawi), the unraced 2-year-old colt Pacific Avenue (Dubawi) and a yearling filly by Sea The Stars. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €18,900. O/B-Godolphin; T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Trust On (Fr), c, 3, Intello (Ger)--Xcape To Victory (Ire), by Cape Cross (Ire). Compiegne, 6-6, 8fT, 1:40.62. B-Mme Renate Moser. *€70,000 Ylg '23 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Ice Love (Fr) (Three Valleys), SW-Fr, \$134,044; and Nights On Broadway (Fr) (Night Of Thunder {Ire}), SP-Fr, \$121,939.

Golden Thread (Fr), g, 3, **Telecaster (GB)**--Soldiers Fortune (Fr), by Soldier Of Fortune (Ire). Nancy, 6-6, 10fT, 2:09.85. B-Mme Antonia Devin.

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WORLDWIDE NEWS

SOUL RUSH FACES STIFF CHALLENGE IN **YASUDA KINEN** by Heather Anderson



Soul Rush | JRA

The stomping ground of Hong Kong Horse of the Year Romantic Warrior (Acclamation) in 2024, this year's G1 Yasuda Kinen sees a contentious field line up at Tokyo, with the role of ante-post favourite handed to dual Group 1 winner and last year's third-place finisher Soul Rush.

By Rulership, the 2024 Mile Championship hero ran second in the G1 Hong Kong Mile in December and was third to the reopposing Sixpence in the G2 Nakayama Kinen in March. Sent overseas, he defeated Romantic Warrior in the G1 Dubai Turf over 1800 metres in Dubai in April, breaking 1:46 for the distance. He will break from stall 13.

"He just seems to continue getting better, as we saw when he beat Romantic Warrior," said trainer Yasutoshi Ikee. "This past year has been great for him. He's in his usual condition just before a race. The Tokyo mile suits him with his stamina. He hasn't won the Yasuda Kinen yet, and a win at Tokyo would be good when it comes to his career at stud."

The Yasuda Kinen, a Breeders' Cup "Win and You're In" for the GI Mile, might prove a steppingstone to an international campaign for the Carrot Farm-owned Sixpence. Out of the GI Madison Stakes heroine Finley's luckycharm (Twirling Candy), the 4-year-old son of Kizuna has been entered in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville on Aug. 17. Sixpence ran seventh in the 2000-metre G1 Osaka Hai in April and has drawn the rail.

"This week's work was very good, especially at the finish," said

trainer Sakae Kunieda. "He has experience running at Tokyo, and the jockey [Christophe Lemaire] knows the horse well, so I think he can be patient with him during the race, and produce him for a good run at the end."

Added Lemaire, "Working with [the filly] Brede Weg has been a good thing for him. He seemed a little heavy at first, but he's moving better now that he's had some more work."

The only filly in the 18-horse field, the daughter of Lord Kanaloa won the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup in November of 2023 and landed the G2 Ireland Trophy Fuchu Himba Stakes last October. Off the board in three more runs, Brede Weg was most recently seventh behind Soul Rush in Dubai and had the widest draw in 18.

Said, trainer Keisuke Miyata, "She's worked well with the jockey [Keita Tosaki], and racing on the outside in training, her workload's been good, with strong finishes. She's run patiently throughout her work, and she should be just right going into the race. Her results over a mile might not have been good up to now, but she's had good experience at Tokyo, and if she can run patiently and save everything for her turn of foot at the end, I think she can run a good race and get a different result."

A two-time winner over this trip, Palace Malice's Jantar Mantar is on something of a fact-finding mission. A winner of the G1 NHK Mile Cup in 2024 after running third in that year's G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas), the 4-year-old entire has not been seen since his 13th-place finish in the Hong Kong Mile almost six months ago. Yuga "King" Kawada has the call from post 10.

Coming off victories into the Yasuda Kinen are G3 Tokyo Shimbun Hai hero Water Licht (Drefong), G2 Yomiuri Milers Cup winner Long Run (Victoire Pisa), and G3 Lord Derby Challenge Trophy victor **Trovatore** (Rey De Oro).

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Saturday, Epsom Downs, Britain, post time: 15:30

BETFRED DERBY (IN HONOUR OF HIS HIGHNESS AGA KHAN IV)-G1, £1,604,000, 3yo, c/f, 12f 6y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Al Wasl Storm (Ire)	Affinisea (Ire)	Green Team Racing	Owen Burrows	David Probert	128
2	Damysus (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Wathnan Racing	John & Thady Gosden	James Doyle	128
3	Delacroix (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	D Smith, Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	128
4	Green Storm (Ire)	Circus Maximus (Ire)	Ahmad Al Shaikh	Charlie Johnston	Billy Loughnane	128
5	Lambourn (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Mrs J Magnier, M Tabor & D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	128
6	Lazy Griff (Ger)	Protectionist (Ger)	Middleham Park Racing & G Griffiths	Charlie Johnston	Christophe Soumillon	128
7	Midak (Fr)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Aga Khan Studs	Francis-Henri Graffard	Mickael Barzalona	128
8	New Ground (GB)	New Bay (GB)	Juddmonte	Henri Francois Devin	Alexis Pouchin	128
9	Nightime Dancer (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	Stall Perlen AB	Richard Hannon	Jamie Spencer	128
10	Nightwalker (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Juddmonte	John & Thady Gosden	Tom Marquand	128
11	Pride Of Arras (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Mrs David Aykroyd	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	128
12	Rogue Impact (GB)	Study Of Man (Ire)	The Rogues Gallery	James Owen	Luke Morris	128
13	Ruling Court	Justify	Godolphin	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	128
14	Sea Scout (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Abdulla Al Mansoori	Simon & Ed Crisford	Harry Davies	128
15	Stanhope Gardens (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	Marcstown Ltd & New Chelsea	Ralph Beckett	Hector Crouch	128
16	Tennessee Stud (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Westerberg/Tabor/Magnier/Smith	Joseph O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	128
17	The Lion In Winter (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	M Tabor, D Smith & Mrs J Magnier	Aidan O'Brien	Colin Keane	128
18	Tornado Alert (Ire)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Godolphin	Saeed bin Suroor	Oisin Murphy	128
19	Tuscan Hills (Fr)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Amo Racing Ltd	Raphael Freire	David Egan	128

Breeders: 1-Gavin Wallace, 2-Newsells Park Stud & Merry Fox Stud, 3-Tepin Syndicate, 4-Banimpire Syndicate, 5-Coolmore, 6-Gestut Westerberg, 7-Aga Khan Studs, 8-Juddmonte Farms Inc, 9-GCE Farm Ltd, 10-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 11-Mr & Mrs David Aykroyd, 12-Eric Chen, 13-Nursery Place, Manfuso & Wilhite, 14-Sunderland Holding Inc, 15-Tullpark Ltd, 16-Mrs Annemarie O'Brien, 17-Sunderland Holding Inc, 18-Godolphin, 19-John Richard Wheeler.

With rain about, albeit not a great deal, this is not going to be a fast-ground Derby and with such a large field the emphasis could be more on stamina than ever. If that is true, it will suit the G3 Chester Vase winner Lambourn who has the ideal draw in "lucky" stall 10 and who may just have been hiding his true light under a bushel so far. If he's in the mix, the likes of Midak and Lazy Griff may not be too far away and this could be one of those renewals where the principals aren't quite what they are cracked up to be. There are stamina doubts surrounding Ruling Court, Delacroix and The Lion In Winter but none surrounding the G2 Dante winner Pride Of Arras. His York performance was very strong and it is impossible to ignore all his ideal credentials for this race. Possibly underestimated due to the fact that he is not trained at Ballydoyle or sports Godolphin silks, he is under the care of Ralph Beckett who has proven time and again that he knows exactly how to train a top prospect. [Tom Frary].

Saturday, Epsom Downs, post time: 13:35

THE BETFRED DIOMED STAKES-G3, £100,000, 3yo/up, 8f 113yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Brave Emperor (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Middleham Park Racing LX	Archie Watson	Luke Morris	137
2	Geography (Ger)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Stall Hanse	P. Schiergen	C. Soumillon	137
3	Persica (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Martin Hughes & Michael Kerr-Dineen	Richard Hannon	Ryan Moore	137
4	Cairo (Ire)	Quality Road	Mr Refai Alghraiban	Alice Haynes	Kieran O'Neill	134
5	Docklands (GB)	Massaat (Ire)	O.T.I. Racing	Harry Eustace	Richard Kingscote	134
6	Ice Max (GB)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	134
7	Royal Dubai (Fr)	Seahenge	Mr Saeed Sultan Al Rahoomi	Marco Botti	Rossa Ryan	134
8	Tyrrhenian Sea (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd	Roger Varian	Jack Mitchell	134
9	Royal Playwright (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Mr J. C. Smith	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	122

Breeders: 1-Caroline Hanly & Sean Ronan, 2-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof, 3-The Applecross Syndicate, 4-Coolmore, 5-Mickley Stud, 6-Mr Gordon Roddick, 7-Societa Agricola Gem S.R.L. & Societa Agricola La Pluma, 8-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd, 9-Littleton Stud

Docklands loves Ascot, but how last year's G1 Queen Anne Stakes runner-up takes to this contrasting terrain is anybody's guess. The form of his latest Listed Paradise Stakes second to Sardinian Warrior was boosted by that son of Saxon Warrior's effort in the G1 Prix d'Ispahan and he sets the standard. Successful in the Lester Piggott Handicap at this meeting 12 months ago, **Persica** has a penalty for his success in Newmarket's G3 Earl Of Sefton Stakes but that might not stop him. [*Tom Frary*].

Saturday, Epsom Downs, post time: 13:00

THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH STAKES-G3, £100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f 113yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Bright Thunder (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee134	
2	Chic Colombine (Fr)	Seahenge	Highclere T'bred Racing - Vermeer 1	George Boughey	Billy Loughnane	134
3	Imperial Quarter (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Mr Ali Saeed	Roger Varian	Ray Dawson	134
4	Kindest Nation (Ire)	Sioux Nation	John Brown & The Owens	Hugo Palmer	Harry Davies	134
5	Royal Dress (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Mr Saeed Manana	James Tate	William Buick	134
6	Sirona (Ger)	Soldier Hollow (GB)	Dash Grange Stud	David Menuisier	Ryan Moore	134
7	Skellet (Ire)	Kingman (GB)	Juddmonte	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	134
8	Sparks Fly (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	David Lowe	David Loughnane	Laura Pearson	134
9	Spiritual (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Mr George Strawbridge	John & Thady Gosden	Robert Havlin	134
10	Sunfall (GB)	Twilight Son (GB)	Cheveley Park Stud	David O'Meara	Daniel Tudhope	134
11	Bermuda Longtail (Fr)	Hello Youmzain (Fr)	Bermuda Racing Ltd	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	122

Breeders: 1-Ennistown Stud, 2-Mell Elevages, Ecurie Artsam, V. Le Roy, 3-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 4-Sherborough Developments Co Ltd, 5-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited, 6-Gestut Hof Iserneichen, 7-Airlie Stud & Mrs S. Rogers, 8-The Lowe Family, 9-Ballylinch Stud, 10-Cheveley Park Stud Limited, 11-3 0s.A.R.L. Riviera Equine.

TDN Rising Star Skellet hasn't lived up to that tag so far, but there is still time for Juddmonte's acquisition who signed off last term with a win in Sandown's Listed Fortune Stakes. Of the 3-year-olds, **Bermuda Longtail** is the most interesting having got closest to the smart Kon Tiki in a well-contested renewal of York's Listed Michael Seely Memorial Stakes last month. [*Tom Frary*].

CHALLENGE SERIES WIN AND YOU'RE IN."

Sunday, Tokyo, Japan, post time: 15:40

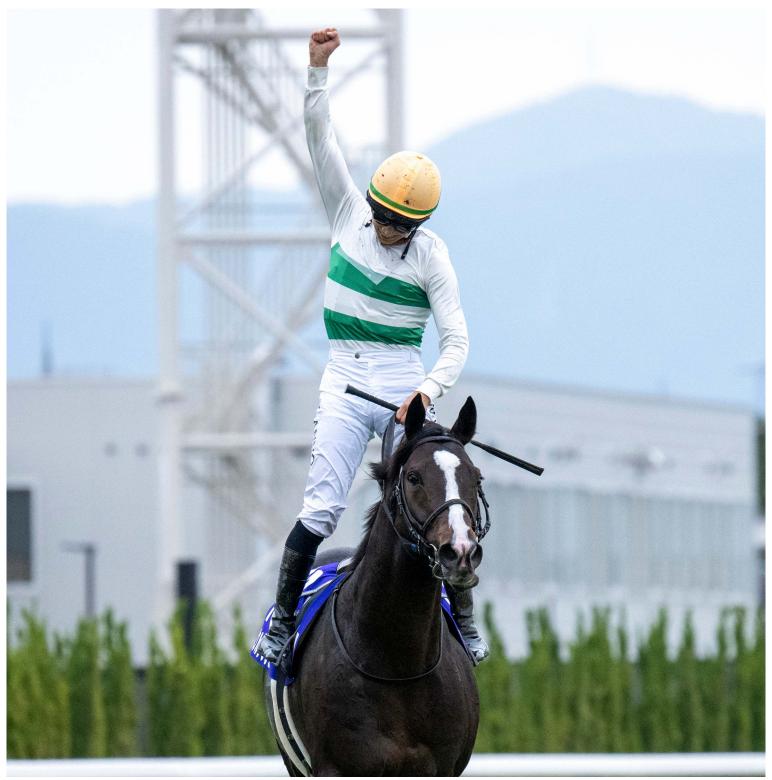
YASUDA KINEN-G1, ¥347,460,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Sixpence (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Kunieda	Lemaire	128
2	Daddy's Vivid (Jpn)	Kizuna (Jpn)	Chida	lkezoe	128
3	Mad Cool (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Ikezoe	Sakai	128
4	Win Marvel (Jpn)	I'll Have Another	Fukayama	Matsuyama	128
5	Red Mon Reve (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Ebina	Dee	128
6	Gratias (Jpn)	Heart's Cry (Jpn)	Yasuda	K Yokoyama	128
7	Gaia Force (Jpn)	Kitasan Black (Jpn)	Sugiyama	Yoshimura	128
8	Ecoro Walz (Jpn)	Black Tide (Jpn)	Makiura	Demuro	128
9	Champagne Color (Jpn)	Duramente (Jpn)	Tanaka	Uchida	128
10	Jantar Mantar (Jpn)	Palace Malice	Takano	Kawada	128
11	Sakura Toujours (Jpn)	Neo Universe (Jpn)	Hori	Lane	128
12	Long Run (Jpn)	Victoire Pisa (Jpn)	Wada	lwata	128
13	Soul Rush (Jpn)	Rulership (Jpn)	Ikee	Hamanaka	128
14	Water Licht (Jpn)	Drefong	Ishibashi	Sugawara	128

15	Ho O Reality (Jpn)	Maurice (Jpn)	Inoue	Tannai	128
16	Trovatore (Jpn)	Rey De Oro (Jpn)	Shikato	T Yokyoyama	128
17	Jun Blossom (Jpn)	World Ace (Jpn)	Tomomichi	Take	128
18	Brede Weg (Jpn)	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Miyata	Tosaki	123

Breeders: 1-Northern Fram, 2-Daishi Tajima, 3-Moyglare Stud Farm, Ltd., 4-Cosmo View Farm, 5-Hidetoshi Yamamoto, 6-Northern Farm, 7-Oiwake Farm, 8-Shimokobe Farm, 9-Yoichi Aoyama, 10-Shadai Farm, 11-Tanioka Stud, 12-Shadai Farm, 13-Shimokobe Farm, 14-Masato Yamaoka, 15-Okada Stud, 16-Northern Farm, 17-Northern Racing, 18-Northern Farm. *Click here for the preview.*

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If Soul Rush runs to the form that saw him beat Romantic Warrior in Dubai, the Yasuda Kinen is his for the taking | Horsephotos