

THORO-GGRAPH, NYRA PARTNER IN CUSTOMER- CENTRIC ADW PROGRAM



Handicappers at Saratoga | Horsephotos

by T.D. Thornton

Delivering concierge-level support and giving higher-volume horse bettors access to rebates, on-track visitation amenities, and handicapping product discounts is the backbone of a relatively new partnership between performance figure provider Thoro-Graph and the New York Racing Association (NYRA).

Thoro-Graph Player Services (TGPS), which launched in May, is a free membership-based online portal that links to the national advance deposit wagering (ADW) site NYRA Bets (access it [here](#)).

The alignment of the two entities now gives Thoro-Graph an exclusive ADW partner, and it gives NYRA Bets a valuable pipeline of new bettors who might not have signed up for an account without being incentivized by the perks TGPS is promoting to sweeten the deal.

According to Jeff Franklin, the director of player services & business development for Thoro-Graph, those incentives include "the big five": 1) Competitive rebates; 2) Free and discounted Thoro-Graph sheets; 3) Free NYRA parking, admission, and premium seating for qualifying players; 4) Contact with the NYRA Bets "key account desk"; 5) A personal account manager.

Franklin has worked diverse gigs in the racing industry before taking over the management of TGPS.

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ARROGATE DRAWS POST THREE IN SAN DIEGO

Champion and **"TDN Rising Star" Arrogate** (Unbridled's Song) drew post three for Saturday's GII TVG San Diego H. at Del Mar, which will be his first start since a dazzling last-to-first victory in the G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 25.

A record-setting winner of the GI Travers S. last term, the Juddmonte Farms runner followed suit with a gritty defeat of Horse of the Year California Chrome (Lucky Pulpit) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic in November. The Bob Baffert pupil captured the inaugural \$12-million GI Pegasus World Cup Invitational S. at Gulfstream in January and became North America's richest Thoroughbred with his win in Dubai.

Arrogate faces just five opponents in Saturday's test in MGSP stablemate **Cat Burglar** (Unbridled's Song); fellow **"TDN Rising Star" Donworth** (Tiznow); GSWs **Accelerate** (Lookin at Lucky) and **Dalmore** (Colonel John); and SW **El Huerfano** (Tannersmyman).

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And away they go... They're off and running at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on Wednesday, beginning a 36-day race meet at the seaside oval. | Benoit Photo

HORSEMEN REMEMBER BEN'S CAT

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The Maryland racing community, including Ben's Cat's owner/breeder/trainer King Leatherbury and longtime jockey Julian Pimentel, remember the late Maryland legend.

JONES HOMEBRED EARNS 'RISING STAR' MONIKER

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As a former jockeys' agent, he used Thoro-Graph products to guide bookings for Gary Stevens, Patrick Valenzuela and Jose Santos. In the early online ADW days, he was the president of Youbet.com, and he later served as an executive at Xpressbet and helped NYRA come up with ADW models that were the forerunners of last year's rollout of NYRA Bets.

Franklin said the launch of TGPS has its roots in a dinner meeting between Thoro-Graph and NYRA executives about four years ago where the question was asked, "What's the flaw with ADWs in general?"

A Franklin recalled it, "The answer that we all seemed to agree with is that ADWs had lost the personal touch. As the players had moved away from the track to the remote betting environment, the umbilical cord between the player and the track had snapped. That's the sort of thing that we're trying to reinvigorate with that kind of personalized service, where the [players] really feel

comfortable with the people behind the scenes making their betting experience what it is."

The topic struck a chord with Thoro-Graph president Jerry Brown, Franklin said, and it sparked a discussion about "the lack of casino-style amenities and respect for the medium- and upper-level horseplayer." Within the two companies, that conversation carried on long after that dinner was over.

"Jerry, for his part in all of this, really feels an obligation to have a stronger-than-usual relationship with his customers, and is almost like their champion in some senses," Franklin said.

The idea crystallized over the course of several years, and last summer discussions began in earnest about a partnership. TGPS launched two months ago, and

while NYRA Bets will be its exclusive wagering service, TGPS is actively pursuing partnership deals with other racing associations that focus on delivering on-track perks and amenities to customers. **Cont. p4**



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Thoro-Graph, NYRA Partner in ADW Program cont.

Franklin said he has good reason to think tracks will want to partner with Thoro-Graph: Its core performance-figure buying customers are dedicated, data-driven horseplayers whose volume of betting is far above the norm.

"The typical Thoro-Graph player, we're reckoning, is going to [wager] seven to 10 times the national average of betting than the regular, average ADW player," Franklin said, adding the caveat that he doesn't have enough of a customer base yet for TGPS to make a more precise prognostication about betting volumes.

"But we've already got hundreds of players who are going to annualize into many millions of dollars wagering," Franklin said.

"We'll be announcing more track partnerships in the next few weeks," Franklin said. "No track that we've asked has said no yet."

On the customer-facing side, Franklin said the interface for accessing NYRA Bets through TGPS is "100% identical" to the stand-alone version of NYRA Bets. The technology, customer service, and funding are all handled via NYRA Bets, and Franklin added that NYRA has dedicated 15 employees to make the partnership work.


"The idea is to give a personal level of service to [bettors] so that you can call somebody to help you out who is part of a really established relationship with you and knows your needs to help you with things like funding and rebates and going on-track," Franklin said.

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Thoro-Graph Sheet

If TGPS works as planned, Franklin is aiming for a win-win-win situation that involves the two partners and their customers.

Thoro-Graph wins by cultivating a stream of customers whose primary handicapping product-buying and betting actions will all take place via the TGPS interface. Even factoring in the discounted speed figure sheets and other items it will give away, the exponential volume of activity could mean a big business boost. **Cont. p5**




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NYRA wins by starting betting relationships with upper-echelon players, and will benefit from gaining customer data that can be used to drive other marketing initiatives. If enough TGPS players take advantage of the incentives to come to the track, the partnership becomes a cost-effective way to lure big-volume bettors out of their homes and back to the on-track action.

Horseplayers win by collecting the growing list of perks and discounts. But Franklin also envisions that they will find great value on being treated with new levels of respect and courtesy.

Franklin said there is a fourth way horseplayers in general can come out ahead, even if they are not TGPS members: The feedback and constructive criticisms that TGPS players provide will be taken seriously, and he hopes to work with NYRA (and eventually, other partner tracks) to make sure the suggestions from bettors get acted upon.

"We've been given all of this valuable feedback by these hundreds of top Thoro-Graph players already," Franklin said. "God love 'em, they're so passionate. They let you know what they like and what they don't like. And we're already working with the NYRA Bets technology teams to implement a number of product enhancements that will benefit all NYRA Bets players, really."

Franklin said he was not at liberty to discuss specifics, but that several of those ideas already gleaned from customer feedback could be implemented by NYRA during the Saratoga Race Course meet.

"NYRA is very well aware that top players need top tools," Franklin said. "It's a direct line [for NYRA] to so many of the high-volume bettors. This is going to be an evolving program. As we get new input, we'll modify."

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HORSEMEN REMEMBER BEN'S CAT

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Ben's Cat & King Leatherbury | Jon Kral

Wearing a bright orange shirt and helmet cover, Elizabeth Eckert went about her business as an exercise rider for Hall of Fame trainer King Leatherbury Wednesday morning with a heavy heart.

It was only the evening before that Eckert, working for Leatherbury at Laurel Park since December, had heard the news about **Ben's Cat** (Parker's Storm Cat), the recently retired Mid-Atlantic legend who was euthanized as a result of complications from colic surgery at the age of 11.

She drove to work in her dark blue 1992 Chevrolet Z-28 adorned with tributes to Ben's Cat. "R.I.P. Big Ben" was written across her windshield. Her side windows read, "The Cat!" while on the back window she wrote, "The Beast from the East. Rest Easy." Naturally, the lettering was done in orange to match the silks of Leatherbury's The Jim Stable, for whom Ben's Cat ran his entire 63-race career that included 32 wins, 26 stakes wins, and more than \$2.6 million in purse earnings.

"Ben was an incredible horse. I was honored to ride him," Eckert said. "He taught me how to better listen to my horses underneath me. To hear what was going on [with him] broke my heart. Even though I only knew him a short time I loved him like I knew him my whole life."

"The Leatherbury team took great care of him when he was here, and I gave him all my effort every ride," she added. "I am happy to stand here today and say I was able to ride the beast of the east, Maryland's great Ben's Cat." **Cont. p6**



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Horsemen Remember Ben's Cat cont.

Ben's Cat (inside) | Horsephotos

Leatherbury, 84, bred, owned and trained Ben's Cat, retiring him June 27 just three days after finishing ninth by 4 1/2 lengths in the Mister Diz, a stakes the gelding had won six straight years from 2010-15. He was sent to the Versailles, K.Y. farm of Bayne and Christina Welker June 28, but developed colic that required surgery July 6 at the Hagyard Equine Medical Institute in Lexington, where he was euthanized July 18 due to post-operative complications.

"I was devastated. We thought he was going to be all right," Leatherbury said. "I thought he'd pull through, being Ben's Cat. He's used to winning, you know? To get that call saying he had gotten worse and they had to put him down, it broke my heart. I thought he would do it.

"It was a tragic ending to a magnificent horse," he added. "Many times in a race I didn't think he'd win and then he got up. I thought he was going to pull another one off, surviving, and he didn't. It is a horrible thing for me and for all of his fans and for the horse, of course. It's a shame."

Ben's Cat had his Mister Diz streak broken Aug. 20, 2016 by the unheralded John Jones, a 43-1 long shot racing first time off a \$25,000 claim for trainer Lacey Gaudet, whose family has long been synonymous with Maryland racing.

"When John Jones won the Mister Diz, I wasn't paying attention to the fact that I had just claimed this horse for \$25,000 and he won a stake and it was my first stakes winner as a trainer. It was, 'We just beat Ben's Cat,'" Gaudet said. "You never wanted to see a horse like that get beat and even when it was you, it was overshadowed.

"Every morning you'd go to the racetrack and you'd see him sitting there for 15 or 20 minutes before he got going. For a long time Doug Leatherman was on him and every morning people would jog by and say, 'Morning Doug. Morning Ben.' It was like you always knew he was going to be there," she added. "I cried when I found out. It's just sad."

Ben's Cat had only six different riders through his lengthy career, but it was Julian Pimentel that got on him more than anyone. Pimentel was aboard in 41 of 63 starts, including 30 in a row from June 2012 to November 2015.

Together, Pimentel and Ben's Cat won 22 races, 17 of them in stakes, topped by the 2013 and 2014 GIII Parx Dash, 2012 GIII Turf Monster, 2012 Maryland Million Turf Sprint, 2013-15 Mister Diz and Jim McKay Turf Sprint, and 2012-14 Fabulous Strike H.

"At the beginning of his career he was a little difficult in the mornings to train and stuff like that. He was like a student with a lot of growing pains," Pimentel said. "But as he got older he was just very cool. He knew what he was supposed to do. You look at his record and he'd win by a head or a nose--it was like he knew where the wire was.

"He could run pretty much on anything. He won on the slop, he won going short, he won going a mile," he added. "Going long wasn't his favorite distance but he did that a couple of times. He liked turf, dirt, the slop, it didn't much matter to him. I think he would run on concrete. He was just unbelievable."

Ben's Cat's last two victories came to start his 10-year-old season, taking an open 5 1/2-furlong allowance last May before his fifth triumph in the Jim McKay Turf Sprint. The closest he came to winning after that was in his 11-year-old debut, finishing fifth by less than a length in an April 16 allowance.

"At the Preakness this year, Todd Pletcher said to me that other than the horses he trains himself, of course, Ben was his favorite horse of all time," Leatherbury said. "The thing is, you have good horses come along all the time but they don't last. For him to last is where he created that 'People's Horse' thing.

"A lot of horses are so good that they retire because of their value in the breeding industry, and others have problems that knock them out early. They run a couple years and that's it," he added. "But Ben, year after year after year he'd come back and that's why he got that reputation. It is a sad end to the great Ben's Cat."

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Ben's Cat | Jim McCue/MJC

Friday, Saratoga, post time: 5:02 p.m. EDT




SCHUYLERVILLE S.-GIII, \$150,000, 2yo, f, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mel's Gone Wild	Wildcat Heir	Demasi, Kathleen A., Class Personified Stable and Check, Diane	Demasi	Carmouche	119
2	Buy Sell Hold 	Violence	Robison, J. Kirk and Judy	Asmussen	Geroux	121
3	Best Performance 	Broken Vow	West Point Thoroughbreds, Tango Uniform Racing & Masiello, Robert	Clement	Ortiz	119
4	Dream It Is 	Shackleford	Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC	Minshall	Contreras	121
5	Limited View	Freedom Child	Salzman, Jr., John E., Wasserloos, Fred and Greenwalt, George	Salzman, Jr.	Prado	119
6	Pacific Gale 	Flat Out	Tobey L. Morton	Kimmel	DeCarlo	119
7	Laudation 	Congrats	Durant, Jerry	Asmussen	Castellano	119
8	Snowfire	Tapit	Oxley, John, C.	Casse	Leparoux	119
9	Stainless 	Flatter	StarLadies Racing	Pletcher	Velazquez	119

Breeders: 1-Milton S. Hendry & Tiffany Atteberry DVM, 2-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc & Stretch Run Ventures, LLC, 3-Mercedes Stables LLC, 4-Chiyoda Farm, 5-Barbara G. Smith, 6-Bally Breeders, 7-Woodford Thoroughbreds, 8-Town & Country Horse Farms, LLC, 9-Sienna Farms LLC

Friday, Saratoga, post time: 5:40 p.m. EDT

LAKE GEORGE S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Fifty Five	Get Stormy	Brant, Peter, M.	Brown	Ortiz	123
2	Fizzy Friday (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	House, Michael	Correas, IV	Lezcano	115
3	Defiant Honor	Speightstown	Phillips Racing Partnership and Gartin, Pam	Toner	Velazquez	117
4	Chubby Star	Malibu Moon	Sagamore Farm	DePaz	Santana, Jr.	117
*5	Corporate Queen (S) 	Colonel John	Barber, Gary and Flay, Bobby	Casse	Rosario	115
6	Super Marina 	Warrior's Reward	R. A. Hill Stable	Weaver	Franco	121
7	Party Boat 	Into Mischief	Jones, Hope, H.	Motion	Rosario	121
8	Proctor's Ledge	Ghostzapper	Moseley, Patricia, L.	Walsh	Castellano	117
9	Sweeping Paddy	Paddy O'Prado	Pacella, William, Jones, Jr., Frank L. and Shoop, Frank	Romans	Saez	123
10	Victory to Victory	Exchange Rate	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Geroux	121
11	Dream Dancing	Tapit	Oxley, John, C.	Casse	Leparoux	123

*Main Track Only; (S)-supplemental nomination

Breeders: 1-Empire Equines, LLC, 2-Glebe Farm Stud, 3-John W. Phillips, Hank Snowden & Lynn Snowden, 4-Sagamore Farm, 5-Whispering Oaks Farm LLC, 6-Frederick J. McEwan & Wilhelmina M. McEwan, 7-Fred W. Hertrich III, 8-Patricia L. Moseley, 9-Pacella Racing, Frank L. Jones, Jr & Frank Shoop, 10-Live Oak Stud, 11-John C. Oxley



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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Harmonize 🐎	Scat Daddy	Armstrong, Larkin	Mott	Velazquez	121
2	Antonoe	First Defence	Juddmonte Farms, Inc.	Brown	Castellano	121
3	Lady Eli 🐎	Divine Park	Sheep Pond Partners	Brown	Ortiz, Jr.	123
4	Quidura (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Gestuet Faehrfhof	Motion	Alvarado	115
5	My Impression	Sky Mesa	Janney, III, Stuart, S.	McGaughey III	Ortiz	115
6	Dickinson	Medaglia d'Oro	Godolphin Racing LLC	McLaughlin	Lopez	121

Breeders: 1-Jack Swain III, 2-Millsec, Ltd., 3-Runnymede Farm Inc. & Catesby W. Clay, 4-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof, 5-Stuart S. Janney, III LLC., 6-Darley**Saturday, Del Mar, post time: 9:10 p.m. EDT****TVG SAN DIEGO H.-GII**, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Accelerate 🐎	Lookin At Lucky	Hronis Racing, LLC	Sadler	Espinoza	117
2	El Huerfano	Tannersmyman	Barber or Wachtel Stable	Miller	Roman	115
3	Arrogate 🐎	Unbridled's Song	Juddmonte Farms	Baffert	Smith	126
4	Donworth 🐎	Tiznow	Reddam Racing, LLC	O'Neill	Gutierrez	116
5	Cat Burglar 🐎	Unbridled's Song	Michael Lund Petersen	Baffert	Bejarano	118
6	Dalmore 🐎	Colonel John	Big Chief Rcg, Head of Plains Ptnrs or Rocker O Ranch, Et Al	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	115

Breeders: 1-Mike Abraham, 2-M. A. Douzos, 3-Clearsky Farms, 4-K.C. Garrett Farm LLC, 5-Gulf Coast Farms, LLC, 6-Sally J. Andersen**Saturday, Del Mar, post time: 6:40 p.m. EDT****EDDIE READ S.-GII**, \$250,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Mr. Roary 🐎	Scat Daddy	Kretz Racing, LLC	Papaprodromou	Gonzalez	120
2	Hunt (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Michael House	D'Amato	Prat	120
3	Kenjisstorm	Stormy Atlantic	Head of Plains Partners LLC, KM Racing Enterprise, Inc. or Carillo	Baltas	Bejarano	120
4	Wanstead Gardens	Flower Alley	Chrys Family Revocable Trust	French	Baze	120
5	Up With the Birds	Stormy Atlantic	Agave Racing Stable or Sam-Son Farm	D'Amato	Theriot	120
6	Ashleylrvssugar	Game Plan	S. Alesia, Bran Jam Stable or Ciaglia Racing, LLC	Eurton	Stevens	122
7	Abbey Vale (Ire)	Moss Vale (Ire)	ERJ Racing LLC, Westside Racing Stable or Rothblum, Et Al	O'Neill	Frey	120

Breeders: 1-Judy Hicks & Kathryn Nikkel, 2-Michael O'Callaghan, 3-Dapple Bloodstock & Susan Bunning, 4-Eugene Melnyk, 5-Sam-Son Farm, 6-Estate of Alesia, BranJam Stables & Ciaglia Racing, LLC, 7-Rathbarry Stud**Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 5:40 p.m. EDT****SANFORD S.-GIII**, \$150,000, 2yo, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Psychoanalyze 🐎	Overanalyze	Fort Springs Racing	Lynch	Saez	120
2	Bal Harbour	First Samurai	Red Oak Stable	Pletcher	Velazquez	120
3	Firenze Fire	Poseidon's Warrior	Mr. Amore Stable	Servis	Ortiz, Jr.	120
4	Free Drop Billy 🐎	Union Rags	Albaugh Family Stable	Romans	Albarado	120
5	Admiral Jimmy	Jimmy Creed	Siena Farm LLC	Pletcher	Castellano	120
6	Baffin 🐎	Justin Phillip	Heiligbrodt, L. William and Corinne	Asmussen	Santana, Jr.	120
7	Direct Dial	Too Much Bling	Farish, W.S.	Asmussen	Ortiz	120
8	Nauti Buoy	Mizzen Mast	Szegi, Kerri	McClellan	Conner	120

Breeders: 1-C. W. Swann & Wetherbee Holdings, LLC, 2-Red Oak Stable, 3-Mr Amore Stables, 4-Helen K. Groves Revokable Trust, 5-Siena Farms LLC, 6-Hart Farm, 7-W.S. Farish, 8-Kerri Szegi

Saturday, Woodbine, post time: 4:47 p.m. EDT
ONTARIO MATRON S.-GIII, C\$125,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ice Festival 🐎	Awesome Again	Stronach Stables	Attard	Moran	119
2	Moonlit Promise	Malibu Moon	Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc.	Carroll	Boulanger	119
3	Hot Kiss	Philanthropist	Phoenix Racing	De Paulo	Da Silva	119
4	Galina Point 🐎	Saffir	Gary Barber & WinStar Farm LLC	Casse	Husbands	117
5	Rattataptap 🐎	Tapit	Winstar Farm LLC	Mott	Campbell	117
6	Midnight Crossing (Ire)	Dark Angel (Ire)	Triton Stable	Attfield	Garcia	117
7	Ami's Mesa	Sky Mesa	Ivan Dalos	Carroll	Contreras	117
8	Meadow Rose	Ghostzapper	Stronach Stables	Gonzalez	Wilson	117
9	Uchenna (Ire) 🐎	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Gary Barber	Casse	Husbands	119
10	Minks Aprise 🐎	Northern Afleet	KMN Racing LLC	Attfield	Hernandez	121

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Just A Smidge | Benoit photo

There may not be a higher-quality filly maiden over the course of the next six weeks at Del Mar, and it was Debbie Lanni's **Just A Smidge (Into Mischief)** who went on to a narrow, albeit impressive victory to become Wednesday's second TDN Rising Star.

A \$39K KEENOV weanling RNA, the gray filly blossomed into a \$425K Fasig-Tipton Midlantic juvenile after covering a quarter mile in a co-fastest :21 2/5 and was knocked down to agent Donato Lanni, who told TDN Editor In Chief Jessica Martini that he was **bidding on behalf of an undisclosed client**.

Favored at 2-1 with \$2 shy of \$100,000 on her nose, Just A Smidge wasn't off the best and had to be hustled along by Rafael Bejarano, but she did so willingly and was alongside pacesetter **Tyfosha** (Flatter), the 5-2 second choice, as they hit the turn. The latter, runner-up to subsequent runaway Landaluce S. winner Surrender Now (Morning Line) on debut June 9, was not quitting down on the inside, but Just A Smidge was just that little bit better in the dying strides and had a 1 1/4-length margin on the line. **Varanasi**, the most expensive of Jimmy Creed (Distorted Humor)'s first-crop yearlings at \$385,000, was a distant third as the 3-1 third betting selection.

Just A Smidge is the second foal produced by Pooh Corner, who was purchased by Carolyn Vogel for \$105,000 at the 2010 Keeneland September sale. The mare is the dam of a yearling filly by Verrazano, foaled a filly by Stormy Atlantic this season and was bred back to Mshawish.



Just A Smidge is bred on the reverse cross responsible for the likes of Grade I winners Hansen (champion), Careless Jewel, Sweet Loretta and Tell a Kelly.

Owner Debbie Lanni is the widow of J. Terrence Lanni, the former chief of MGM Mirage and former partner in the legendary Baffert-trained Game On Dude (Awesome Again). Lanni did not get to see the victory, but listened to a call of the race from her friend Bernie Schiappa, who was also part-owner of Game On Dude.

"I am actually on a cruise between Finland and Denmark," Lanni said. "But we were well-represented there in the winner's circle by my son Patrick. I'm so excited and looking forward to her future and thanks to Bob Baffert for finding her."

Lanni parted ways with the fleet Reneesgotzip (City Zip) in 2015, selling her for an even \$1-million at Fasig-Tipton November to Shadai Farm while pregnant to Medaglia d'Oro. But it didn't take long for the bug to bite again.

"I told Bob I wanted to get back in and he said he'd look, told me to be patient. It's very exciting. What a great way to get back into it!"

Click for more on **Debbie Lanni** from Jessica Martini.

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5th-DMR, \$61,725, Msw, 7-19, 2yo, f, 5f, :58.12, ft.

+JUST A SMIDGE, f, 2, by Into Mischief



1st Dam: Pooh Corner, by Tapit

2nd Dam: Opulent, by Meadowlake

3rd Dam: Katilac Ofthestars, by Katowice

Sales history: \$39,000 RNA Wlg '15 KEENOV; \$425,000 2yo '17 EASMAY. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000.

O-Debbie Lanni; B-Carolyn R Vogel (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

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INSTANT 'KARMA'



Larry Jones galloping Kodiak Kowboy at Saratoga in 2009

Sarah K Andrew photo

Michael Pressley and Larry and Cindy Jones's **Kowboy Karma** (Kodiak Kowboy) swept to the front midway on the turn and streaked home to graduate by about a dozen lengths in Wednesday's fourth race at Delaware Park, becoming the newest 'TDN Rising Star.'

Sent off the 17-10 second choice, the bay--bred and co-owned by the Joneses--was sluggish, under the whip and off the early pace as a three-way scrimmage for the lead developed up ahead. Given his cue with a touch less than three furlongs to travel, Kowboy Karma was past the half-mile in a slick :44 3/5 and widened from there, stopping the timer in a very fast 1:09 3/5.

The winner is the first foal from his dam, a daughter of SW & MGSP Alyssum (Storm Cat). Kowboy Karma's third dam is champion Althea (Alydar) while the further female family includes the likes of Grade I winners Arch, Acoma and Balletto (UAE). Just Jan's second produce is a filly by the Jones-conditioned Istan (Gone West).

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4th-DEL, \$34,250, Msw, 7-19, 2yo, 6f, 1:09.70, ft.


+KOWBOY KARMA, g, 2, by Kodiak Kowboy

1st Dam: Just Jan, by Any Given Saturday

2nd Dam: Alyssum, by Storm Cat

3rd Dam: Althea, by Alydar

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400.



NTRA REPORT FROM CAPITOL HILL

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR PARTICIPATION IN ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY


The American Horse Council Foundation's 2017 National Economic Impact Study for the U.S. Horse Industry is critical to the process of validating the horse industry's economic importance to public officials and media. If you have any economic interest in the horse industry, no matter the amount, the NTRA and American Horse Council (AHC) urge you to participate in the study through this link to the National Survey:

Click here to complete the National Survey by the August 18 deadline.

"The thoroughbred horse racing and breeding industry is part of an overall horse industry in the U.S. that creates significant employment opportunities, generates billions of dollars in commerce and provides yearlong entertainment," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "The 2017 National Survey will give a much-needed update to related data last collected in the 2005 Economic Impact Study."

"This is an opportunity to showcase how important the vast equine industry is to the U.S. economy, and the more owners, breeders, riders, trainers, racetracks ... and other industry suppliers that participate, the better the data will be that is included in the final results," said AHC President Julie Broadway.

Note that all personal information collected in the survey is confidential.



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O-Larry & Cindy Jones & Michael Pressley; B-Larry & Cindy Jones (KY); T-J Larry Jones. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton. Click for the [free Equineline.com](http://free.Equineline.com) catalogue-style pedigree.**

LUCK NAMED EQUESTRICON 'RACING KEYNOTE' SPEAKER *by Joe Bianca*

Nick Luck, fresh off of helming the innovative and well-received NBC Sports Network live broadcasts from Royal Ascot, will be the 'Racing Keynote' speaker at the upcoming first inaugural Equestricon horse racing convention in Saratoga Springs. Luck will deliver his speech at 10:30 a.m. on the event's final day.

The convention, the first of its kind in the sport, will include more than 80 events, panels, attractions and exhibits. It spans three days Aug. 13-15. Day one, Sunday, will feature a handful of behind-the-scenes experiences at and around Saratoga Race Course, while the next two days, considered the General Session of the event, will be hosted exclusively at the Saratoga Springs City Center. **Topics range** broadly, with a diverse array of speakers, headlined by Luck and journalist Soledad O'Brien, who will deliver the "Aftercare Keynote" Monday morning.

Nick Luck cont.

A mainstay on NBC's Breeders' Cup telecasts, Luck published his thoughts after last year's World Championships on *Thoroughbred Racing Commentary* in a post titled "Ten reasons why things are looking up for American racing." His argument was that, despite a barrage of negative headlines about racing's future in this country, there was actually ample justification for optimism, including American horses' supremacy on world stages and positive developments in attendance and animal welfare.

Luck's post caught the eye of many in the racing industry, including Dan Tordjman, the co-founder of Equestricon who had done work with Luck for America's Best Racing leading up to the Breeders' Cup. He and Luck discussed the bases for laying out a more positive, inclusive vision for the industry, and their talks led to Tordjman and his fellow co-founders offering Luck the keynote at Equestricon.

"I was very honored to accept," Luck told the *TDN*. "They're an incredible forward-looking, optimistic, capable group of people who I'm very keen to support. I think Dan and some of the other organizers saw that what I'd set out to write in my article, broadly speaking, tallied with their philosophy in starting Equestricon."

Regarding that philosophy, Luck continued, "I sensed a groundswell of optimism within American horse racing that perhaps hadn't been obvious in the 10-12 years I had been coming here for races. We had become accustomed to reading a lot of navel-gazing negativity about how the sport was on the downgrade and going to hell in a handcart. I didn't necessarily feel that was the case and I think that touched a nerve with Dan and his team."

The 39-year-old Luck is at an apex in his career that produced the groundbreaking opportunity to broadcast the prestigious Royal Ascot meeting to a nationwide American audience. NBCSN had Luck as its lead anchor at Ascot, accompanying the network's simulcast of British station ITV's well-staffed coverage of the meet. The week was difficult at times for Luck and the smaller NBCSN team as they tried to thread the needle between producing an American-gear telecast while still maintaining the uniquely British atmosphere of Ascot.



Nick Luck | *Racing Post*

But ratings and reviews from fans of the coverage have been overwhelmingly positive, making the endeavor an exceedingly rewarding one for Luck.

"It was as satisfying an experience as I've had professionally," Luck said. "It was not without challenge, but I was really thrilled and staggered by the positive response from the U.S. Looking at it with Equestricon in mind, it was incredibly encouraging to have confirmed the suspicion that more and more racing fans, particularly the younger ones, look beyond the boundaries of their own nation when viewing horse racing as a sport."

Horse racing, for a niche sport, is an intricate and complex one, with myriad interests rubbing elbows and butting heads in search of a common goal—growth. Luck notes that one of the things that drew him to

Equestricon was its attempt to represent all of the game's stakeholders in finding a more balanced, natural approach to fan development.

"I think what they're doing really well is they've gone to town with an incredibly inclusive agenda," Luck commented. "They're embracing all the things that they love about horse racing. They're not simply saying, 'well, horse racing is not a product for the modern era, so therefore we have to fundamentally sell it on some abstract linkup with

popular culture.' What they're saying is 'we can use our own youth, enthusiasm and dynamism to sell what we believe in, in an entirely authentic way.' They're taking a bold, all-embracing view of the sport."

Equestricon also looks to give a more proportionate voice to one of the often overlooked principals of horse racing: horseplayers. There are nine scheduled events that focus on some aspect of handicapping races, part of a push toward representing the people fueling racing's purses that Luck believes is essential.

"They're not shying away from the fact that wagering is integral to the future health of the game," Luck said. "You can't pretend that the sport is going to exist and survive without people being enthusiastic, not just for the horses or the horsemen, but also for the prospect of winning a few dollars. That shouldn't be something that the sport shies away from or is ashamed of."

Nick Luck cont.

Luck added, "In an increasingly competitive leisure market and wagering market, you want people to think that horse racing is a stimulating enough challenge that they'd rather spend their dollars working out which horse is going to win the next race than on anything else."

Luck thinks that racing has a tendency to pigeonhole its patrons into two main categories, handicapper or fan, when the truth is that most consumers of the sport fall somewhere on a sliding scale in the middle.

"I sometimes feel that people perceive racing fans as either newbies who need to be attracted by hitching racing's wagon to whatever the latest popular culture fad is, or they're hardcore punters who sit in a darkened room all day looking at numbers," Luck said. "You've got to understand that 95% of people are in between those two extremes. It's this presupposition that people who wager don't have a sense of humor and people who like a bit of fun don't like a bet. If this convention works in any sense, it's because it's all-embracing. You have to embrace the whole."

Equestricon co-founder Kathryn Sharp said, "The whole premise of Equestricon is that we all start on equal footing. Whether you're a fan, a bettor, an owner, breeder or a racetrack executive, you'll be walking into Equestricon as someone with a perspective to share. This is an open forum for the free-flow of ideas and information; a safe space to listen and learn about the sport of racing. To be able to bring someone like Nick Luck into the building, with his range of experience in covering the sport all over the globe, is an incredible honor. We look forward to his keynote address with great anticipation."

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MIGLIORE JOINS XBTV



Richard Migliore | *Chelsea Durand*

Legendary jockey and racing analyst Richard Migliore will join

XBTV as an East Coast correspondent starting immediately with the Saratoga meet, XBTV announced through a [video](#) on their website Wednesday.

"I'll be boots on the ground all during the Saratoga meet," Migliore said in the video. "I'll be out in the mornings, getting work outs, talking to trainers, talking to jockeys. I'll be providing my insights from what I see and inside information from what I hear. It's going to be fun, especially at Saratoga."

A winner of 4,000 races during his riding career, Migliore spent the past six years working for the New York Racing Association, providing daily on-site analysis, and retired from that position July 8.

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F-T MIDLANTIC MIXED SALE TO RETURN TO DECEMBER

Fasig-Tipton has shifted the date of its Midlantic Mixed Sale from late January, when it had been run the past two years, back to Dec. 4.

"We received feedback from many of our core consignors, who feel that positioning the sale in early December is better timing for the overall marketplace," said Midlantic sales director Paget Bennett. "There is a lot of momentum in the Midlantic region right now, and we strongly encourage sellers to take advantage of that momentum by supporting this sale with their breeding stock this December."

The Midlantic December Mixed Sale will be held at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium, M.D.

Entries will close Monday, September 25.

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NEW YORK

Amello to Present 'Handicapping 101' Seminar:

Racing analyst Tom Amello will present the first of two handicapping seminars at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame Tuesday, July 25 at 11 a.m. The program is included with a paid Museum admission.

"Handicapping 101" will cover the essential elements of understanding past performances, general racing terminology and how to analyze the odds board to help make educated wagers. Attendees will also get the opportunity to ask questions.

Amello has produced the "Trackfacts" selection sheet at Saratoga since 1988. In April of 1992, he began production of a television version of Trackfacts for Capital OTB TV, and developed and hosted a second show for Capital OTB, "Trackfacts Live." **Cont. p5**

Amello Handicapping Seminar cont.

A second seminar, "Advanced Handicapping Analytics," will be hosted by Amello Wednesday, Aug. 16 at the Museum. That event will be at 11 a.m. and is free with a paid Museum admission.

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NYRA Releases Community Outreach Booth Schedule:

The New York Racing Association will host nearly 40 local and regional non-profit organizations at Saratoga in the Community Outreach Booth, which is located next to the Jockey Silks Room. The booth provides one non-profit organization per day with an exclusive opportunity to interact with racing fans, share information about its work and host fundraising initiatives, which will include autograph sessions, musical performances, arts and crafts, and other activities.

"The New York Racing Association is proud to provide these local non-profit organizations with an opportunity to interact with new audiences that might not otherwise know of the noble efforts in which each of these non-profit organizations engage," said NYRA CEO and President Chris Kay. "We are pleased to assist them in their fundraising efforts and in building greater awareness and a stronger community."

Click [here](#) to view the full schedule.

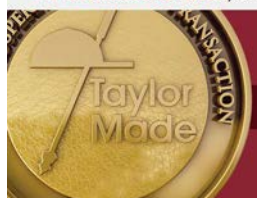
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CANADA

Wednesday's Results:

2nd-WO, C\$82,529, Msw, 7-19, 2yo, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:06.41, ft. +BE VEYVY VEYVY QUIET (g, 2, **Silent Name {Jpn}--Advanced Green, by Malibu Moon),** sent off as the 8-5 second-choice in this unveiling, kept close tabs on the leaders from a two-wide third through an opening quarter in :22.84. Taking command at the top of the stretch, the gelding rolled clear under a hand ride to win as he pleased by 11 1/4 lengths. Sent From Heaven (Data Link) was best of the rest. The winner is a half-brother to Jade Dragon (Trajectory), SW, \$299,830. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$43,380. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-F. Di Giulio Jr., A. D'Onofrio & J. Peri (ON); T-Robert P. Tiller.



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Thursday, Indiana Grand, post time: 5:49 p.m. ET

TA WEE S., \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Clever Girl	Biondetti	Cruz	Cox	15-1
2	Sister Kan	Kantharos	Parker	Flint	12-1
3	Lovely Bernadette	Wilburn	Landeros	DiVito	8-1
4	Majestic Gale	Majestic Warrior	De La Cruz	Sharp	10-1
5	Fault	Blame	Mena	Lovell	15-1
6	Queen Del Valle	Baryshnikov	Zayas	Nagle	4-1
7	Bernadiva	Bernardini	No Rider	Mott	10-1
8	Youngest Daughter	The Factor	Court	Oliver	15-1
9	Sameeha	Street Cry (Ire)	Rocco Jr	Peitz	12-1
10	Starr Bear	Broken Vow	Bridgmohan	Cox	6-1
11	Happy Mesa	Sky Mesa	Albarado	Maker	30-1
12	Tap It All	Tapizar	Hernandez	O'Neill	15-1
Also Eligible					
13	Dontmesswithjoanne	Pioneer of the Nile	Geroux	Cox	10-1
14	Mercy Ann	Distorted Humor	Doyle	Davis	20-1

Wednesday's Results:

4th-IND, \$31,000, Msw, 7-19, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.62, fm.

+SASSY SIENNA (f, 2, **Midshipman--Tap for Gold, by Pleasant Tap)** came with a stinging rally in the final furlong to dominate this career unveiling as a prohibitive favorite. Invading off a solid Churchill worktab, the dark bay drifted back through the pack and was content to race well off the sensible tempo through the opening six furlongs. Allowed to creep into it with an inside run on the turn, she still had plenty of work to do at the top of the stretch, but she responded nicely when asked to take command at the furlong grounds and raced away for a 2 3/4-length

success as the 3-5 chalk. The winner is a half-sister to Newton John (Stormin Fever), GSP, \$122,191; and Spina (During), SP, \$270,360, and is a maternal granddaughter of Buckland Farm's Golden Reef (Mr. Prospector), winner of the GII Schuylerville S. and runner-up in that year's GI Spinaway S. and GI Matron S. Tap For Gold produced a colt by Revolutionary this past St. Patrick's Day. Sales history: \$65,000 Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,600. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#).** O-Zayat Stables LLC; B-Haymarket Farm LLC (KY); T-Brad H Cox.

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3rd-TDN, \$22,500, Msw, 7-19, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:05.84, ft.
+PRIMO EXTREMO (f, 2, ~~Overanalyze~~--Diamondesque, by Any Given Saturday) fired three straight bullets for this top barn and was the 13-10 chalk to get her career off on a high note. In front soon after the bell, the dark bay began to open up approaching the eighth pole and scampered home to take it by 9 1/2 lengths. The ninth winner for her freshman sire (by Dixie Union), Primo Extremo is kin to a yearling colt by Exchange Rate and a filly foal by Animal Kindom. Sales history: \$7,000 RNA Ylg '16 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,500. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O-John E Brown; B-Charles H Deters (KY); T-Jason DaCosta.



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Wednesday's Results:

OCEANSIDE S., \$120,660, DMR, 7-19, (C), 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.01, fm.
1--BOWIES HERO, 124, c, 3, by Artie Schiller

1st Dam: Remembered, by Sky Mesa

2nd Dam: Sister Girl, by Conquistador Cielo

3rd Dam: Scipio, by Danzig

(\$16,000 RNA Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$17,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$32,000 2yo '16 EASMAY). O-Agave Racing Stable and Hebert Bloodstock; B-Pope McLean, Pope McLean Jr. & Marc McLean (KY); T-Philip D'Amato; J-Tiago Josue Pereira. \$70,740. Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-0, \$201,325.



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2--Pioneer Lad, 118, c, 3, Pioneer of the Nile--Lido Lady, by Lido Palace (Chi). (\$65,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN). O-Paymaster Racing LLC; B-Magalen O. Bryant (KY); T-Richard Baltas. \$23,580.
3--Caribou Club, 120, c, 3, City Zip--Broken Dreams, by Broken Vow. O/B-Glen Hill Farm (FL); T-Thomas F. Proctor. \$14,148. Margins: 1HF, 1HF, NO. Odds: 3.40, 21.20, 15.70.

Also Ran: Grecian Fire, Bird Is the Word, Rockin Rudy, Arms Runner, Vending Machine, Fortune of War (GB), Allaboutmike, My Man Chuckles, Lucky Bode, Harbour Master (GB). Scratched: Monster Man, Reign On (GB), Placido.

Sent away the 3-1 second favorite in Wednesday's opening-day feature, Bowies Hero was given a beautiful ride by Tiago Pereira and finished fastest of all to take the event restricted to non-winners of a sweepstakes of over \$50,000 at a mile or beyond in 2017.

The two-back winner of Santa Anita's Singletary S. and exiting a good fourth to subsequent GI Belmont Derby hero Oscar Performance (Kitten's Joy) in the GIII Pennine Ridge S. at Belmont Park June 3, Bowies Hero was eased back into the latter third of the Oceanside field and was always hard held by Pereira. Allowed to improve a few spots as they prepared to swing for home, Bowies Hero was switched off heels and widest into the lane and stormed down the center of the track to outfinish the rail-rallying Pioneer Lad. Grecian Fire completed a good day for his late sire with a third-place finish.

"I was there with a lot of horse all the way around," the winning jockey said. "I had a big hold; he was strong. Tyler's horse [Pioneer Lad] made that run, but my horse went to him, then went right on by. He was very strong. And he'll run on."

In addition to his win in this year's Singletary on his seasonal return May 6, Bowies Hero annexed this track's Juvenile Turf S. last September ahead of an eighth in the Zuma Beach S. and an 11th to Oscar Performance in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf.

Bowies Hero is out of an unraced half-sister to GSW Mint Lane (Maria's Mon) and to GISP Sister Girl Blues (Hold For Gold), the dam of GIII Sunland Derby winner and GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Firing Line (Line of David). Also appearing under the third dam is MGSW Sharp Azteca (Freud), recent runner-up in the GI Met Mile. Remembered is the dam of the 2-year-old colt Lundqvist (Afleet Alex) and a yearling colt by Shakin It Up (Midnight Lute). She was most recently bred to Runhappy (Super Saver). Artie Schiller shuttles from WinStar Farm to stand the Southern Hemisphere breeding season at Emirates Park in Australia, where he is the sire of Group 1 winners Flying Artie (Aus) and Laser Hawk (Aus). **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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*Midlantic 2-year-old graduate **Just A Smidge** (Into Mischief) proves best in a piping hot Del Mar maiden*

6th-DMR, \$83,495, Alw (NW2\$X), Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 7-19, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.08, fm.

SHEHASTHERITESTUFF (f, 4, Unusual Heat--Strut Your Stuff {SP, \$233,137}, by Bold Badgett) defeated first-level open company allowance rivals at Santa Anita Mar. 11 and was a running-on fifth at the next condition Apr. 9. Fifth, placed fourth, in the state-bred restricted Frans Valentine S. May 21, the chestnut was a generous 11-1 for this return to allowance company. The chestnut was content to linger towards the rear and was double digits in arrears passing halfway. She was able to make up some ground on the turn, came out for the drive and finished with gusto to post a half-length victory. How Unusual completed the exacta for the fillies' late sire, who was represented by race three winner Cheekaboomboom and also by Grecian Fire, third in the Oceanside. Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-1, \$195,568. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.** O-David & Michael Day, Mary Rita DePietro & Doug Phillips; B-Old English Rancho (CA); T-Patrick Gallagher.

7th-DMR, \$63,725, Alw (NW1\$X), Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 7-19, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37.14, ft.

GATO DEL ORO (c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Funny Feeling {SW, \$143,386}, by Distorted Humor) faded to fifth in his 5 1/2-panel unveiling over a wet track at Santa Anita May 6, but rebounded to graduate by 1 1/2 lengths next out going seven furlongs there June 10. The 7-2 caught a flyer from the stalls, shooting up to press from second through early splits of :22.97 and :47.29. Drawing even with the pacesetter on the backstretch, the bay quickly put that rival away and determinedly dug in to hold off Giant Expectations (Frost Giant) by a 3/4 of a length. Funny Feeling is a SW daughter of GISW HookedontheFeelin (Citidancer), who also produced GISW freshman sire Jimmy Creed (Distorted Humor); and MGISW Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet), the dam of SWs Aquaphobia (Giant's Causeway) and Forever Popular (Dynaformer). Purchased for \$520,000 carrying her first foal by Medaglia d'Oro at the 2011 Fasig-Tipton November sale, the 10-year-old mare RNA'd for \$900,000 carrying Gato Del Oro at the 2013 renewal of that auction. Funny Feeling is responsible for a juvenile colt named Copper Moon (Malibu Moon); a yearling colt by Tapit; and produced an American Pharoah filly May 14 of this year. This is also the family of MGISW Midnight Lucky (Midnight Lute). Sales history: \$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$70,680. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-J K Racing Stable LLC & Bruce Chandler; B-Summer Wind Farm (KY); T-Richard Baltas.

LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE
Another Hebert Bloodstock Star

4th-DMR, \$61,035, Msw, 7-19, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.73, ft.

CLASSY TUNE (f, 3, Maclean's Music--Southern Swing, by Dixieland Band), shelved after finishing third on debut here in November, missed by just a nose in her return to the races at Santa Anita June 11. Hammered down to even-money favoritism to go one better this time, the dark bay was bumped by her neighboring exiting the outside stall, but kept to her course, rushing up alongside that rival to duel for control through an opening quarter in :21.79. Edging ahead approaching a half in :45.27, the sophomore kept on finding in the lane to hold Pretty Owl (Into Mischief) at bay by a length. The winner is a half-sister to Mr. Pee Vee (Eltish), SW. Her dam Southern Swing produced a Street Boss filly last year and an Include filly this term. Classy Tune hails from the family of two-time GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint heroine Mizdirection (Mizzen Mast). Sales history: \$80,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$135,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$53,040. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

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6th-GP, \$50K, Msw, 2yo, 7 1/2ft, post time: 4:01 p.m. ET

DISCOVERED (Gemologist), a \$37K buyback as a KEENOV weanling, fetched \$60K at KEESEP the following fall. Bidding on behalf of John Oxley, Blandford Stud went to \$250K to acquire the chestnut colt at this year's OBSMAR sale after he breezed a quarter-mile in :21 1/5. A half-brother to the promising sophomore Bronze Age (Mineshaft), Discovered is out of a graded-stakes placed half-sister to turf SW Return to Paradise (El Prado {Ire}). The cleverly named **Irwin (Animal Kingdom)** gets his career started here in the name of owner and trainer Eric Guillot. The half-brother to the useful SW & G1SP Traffic Guard (More Than Ready) was a \$45K RNA at KEESEP last year, then fetched \$100K from agent Nick Hines at OBSAPR after working a furlong in :10 2/5. **TJCIS PPs**

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Dominguez Joins Brooke USA as Ambassador:

Hall of Fame jockey Ramon Dominguez has joined the international equine welfare charity Brooke USA as an ambassador to help spread awareness of the condition working equines.

"Horses are extremely important to me and they are a huge part of my life," Dominguez said. "When I learned about what Brooke USA was doing with working horses, mules and donkeys around the world--giving the equines a better life and educating the people in those communities--it was very appealing to me. I wanted to be able to help in any way that I could. I am always looking for ways to give back."

AHCF Extends Deadline for National Economic Impact Study:

The American Horse Council Foundation is extending the deadline to complete the horse owner and supplier survey to update the National Economic Impact Study to Aug. 18.

The main survey is designed to capture the impact of individual horse owners (whether commercial or recreational) and industry suppliers of equine-related goods and services. To take the horse owner & supplier survey please click [here](#).

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, July 20

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2014 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/
BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

ALTERNATION (Distorted Humor), Pin Oak Stud, \$7.5K, 80/0/0

4-PRM, Msw 5 1/2f, Shimmering Dream, \$17K IOW OCT yrl, 5-1

ANIMAL KINGDOM (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), Darley, \$35K, 107/1/1

6-GP, Msw 7 1/2fT, +Irwin, \$100K OBS APR 2yo, 4-1

AWESOME PATRIOT (Awesome Again), Spendthrift Farm, \$3.5K, 37/2/0

8-AP, Msw 5f, Sistriot, 15-1

BIG LIGHTNING (Bernardini), Esquiroil Farms, 10/0/0

3-NP, Msw 5 1/2f, Kirwan's Mountain, 8-1

BRETHREN (Distorted Humor), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$6K, 37/3/0

6-GP, Msw 7 1/2fT, Cap Gun, 15-1

5-GP, Msw 5f, Awesome Mass, 5-2

CHAMP PEGASUS (Fusaichi Pegasus), Legacy Ranch, \$3.5K, 59/2/0

3-NP, Msw 5 1/2f, Pegasus Onezeroone, \$8K ALB MIX yrl, 3-1

FLAT OUT (Flatter), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 104/3/0

8-IND, Msw 5 1/2f, Flatoutjustice, \$47K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 30-1

JUSTIN PHILLIP (First Samurai), Castleton Lyons, \$12.5K, 71/3/1

4-PRM, Msw 5 1/2f, +Street Citi, \$14K IOW OCT yrl, 12-1

LIAISON (Indian Charlie), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 77/3/0

8-IND, Msw 5 1/2f, +Night Strike, \$40K RNA OBS APR 2yo, 10-1

NEW YEAR'S DAY (Street Cry {Ire}), Hill 'N' Dale Farms, \$12.5K, 48/1/0

5-GP, Msw 5f, +Sara's Day, \$2K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1

OUR ENTOURAGE (Street Cry {Ire}), O'Sullivan Farms LLC, \$2K, 12/0/0

8-AP, Msw 5f, +Miss Blue Dot, \$15K OBS OPN 2yo, 6-1

OVERANALYZE (Dixie Union), WinStar Farm, \$10K, 113/9/0

4-PRM, Msw 5 1/2f, Aceituna, 4-1

PAYNTER (Awesome Again), WinStar Farm, \$25K, 95/0/0

6-GP, Msw 7 1/2fT, Renaissance Frolic, \$60K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

RICHARD'S KID (Lemon Drop Kid), Magali Farms, \$4.5K, 20/0/0

6-DMR, Msw 5f, Mama's Kid, \$11K BAR JAN 2yo, 5-1

SMILING TIGER (Hold That Tiger), Harris Farms, \$5K, 72/1/0

6-DMR, Msw 5f, Hold That Smile, \$26K WAS SEP yrl, 5-2

Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, July 20

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2013 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/
BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

BARYSHNIKOV (Empire Maker), Silver Bridle Racing, \$5K, 11/2/1

9-IND, \$100K TaWee S., 1mT, Queen Del Valle, \$8K KEE NOV wnl, 4-1

BIONDETTI (Bernardini), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$4K, 102/28/0

9-IND, \$100K TaWee S., 1mT, Clever Girl, \$150K KEE NOV wnl, 15-1

BODEMEISTER (Empire Maker), WinStar Farm, \$30K, 262/38/5

8-IND, Msw 5 1/2f, +Freestar, \$17K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1

BOYS AT TOSCONOVA (Officer), Questroyal North, \$5K, 47/6/0

6-FL, Msw 6f, +Girls At Saratoga, 6-1

GEMOLOGIST (Tiznow), WinStar Farm, \$15K, 205/44/4

6-GP, Msw 7 1/2fT, +Discovered, \$250K OBS MAR 2yo, 5-1

8-AP, Msw 5f, +Espressa, \$1,000 FTK FEB 2yo, 15-1

NOBLE'S PROMISE (Cuvee), Breakway Farm, \$0, 16/2/1

6-IND, Msw 4 1/2f, +Promising Drive, 5-1

SANGAREE (Awesome Again), R Star Stallions, \$1.5K, 30/3/0

6-IND, Msw 4 1/2f, +Shatterproof, \$2K RNA PSP RIN 2yo, 30-1

6-IND, Msw 4 1/2f, +I Tweet, \$7K RNA PSP RIN 2yo, 7-2

STAY THIRSTY (Bernardini), Ashford Stud, \$15K, 162/48/2

8-IND, Msw 5 1/2f, +Mommy's Soldier, \$6K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1

TAPIZAR (Tapit), Gainesway Farm, \$15K, 181/37/2

9-IND, \$100K TaWee S., 1mT, Tap It All, \$800K FTF MAR 2yo, 15-1

8-IND, Msw 5 1/2f, +Mini Chunk, \$70K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1

THE FACTOR (War Front), Lane's End Farm, \$15K, 218/53/5

9-IND, \$100K TaWee S., 1mT, Youngest Daughter, 15-1

UNION RAGS (Dixie Union), Lane's End Farm, \$35K, 221/35/5

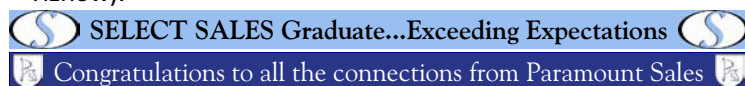
7-AP, Msw 1mT, +Hussar, \$35K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1

BREEDERS' EDITION

BLACK-TYPE RESULTS:

SNACK S., \$105,500, IND, 7-19, (S), 3yo, 1mT, 1:36.80, fm.

1--**#MIND READER, 116, g, 3, Gemologist--Adore You (SP, \$276,240), by Tactical Cat.** (\$60,000 Wlg '14 FTKNOV; \$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$195,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSMAR). O-M and M Racing (Mike Sisk); B-Deann & Greg Baer DVM (IN); T-Randy Matthews; J-Deshawn L Parker. \$59,502. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$96,039. *Fourth BTW for sire (by Tiznow).



2--**Retrospection, 122, g, 3, Daaher--Atherbest, by Silver Hawk.** O-Beth Burkett; B-Randy Burkett (IN); T-Michael J Maker. \$19,834.

3--**Express Lane, 118, g, 3, Unbridled Express--Miss Carmelite,** by Mutakddim. O/B-L T B Inc & Hillerich Racing LLC (IN); T-Bernard S Flint. \$10,909.

Margins: 2, NK, 3HF. Odds: 3.90, 2.00, 14.70.

ELLEN'S LUCKY STAR S., \$105,200, IND, 7-19, (S), 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36.45, fm.

1--**#POLAR VORTEX, 116, f, 3, Johar--Lying Czars, by Kitten's Joy.** O/B-Brian & Aaron Reed & Keith Wexler (IN); T-Tim Glyshaw; J-Richard A Bracho. \$61,226. Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-0, \$78,683.

2--**Marina's Legacy, 116, f, 3, Divine Park--Marina, by Theatrical (Ire).** O/B-Bone Doctors Stable (IN); T-Aaron M West. \$20,409.

3--**Defining Hope, 122, f, 3, Strong Hope--On the Point, by Point Given.** O/B-Collette Marie Vanmatre (IN); T-Barbara I McBride. \$11,225.

Margins: HF, 3/4, HF. Odds: 10.60, 1.90, 4.70.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-DMR, \$62,345, (S), 7-19, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43.44, fm.

CHEEKABOOMBOOM (g, 3, Unusual Heat--Sandy Cheeks, by Souvenir Copy) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$105,545. O-Sharon Alesia & Ciaglia Racing LLC; B-M Auerbach LLC, Richard Rosenberg & Barry Abrams (CA); T-Peter Euron. *\$22,000 RNA Ylg '15 BARSEL. **Full to Cheekaboo, GSW, \$316,735.

6th-IND, \$36,000, (S), 7-19, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.39, ft.
FREDS NEW BROAD (f, 4, Skylord--Annie's Runaway, by Jacquelyn's Groom) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-1, \$54,115. O-John Shelley III & Larry Rodgers; B-R and M Stables Inc & John M Shelley III (IN); T-Genaro Garcia. *1/2 to Reverend John (Noble's Promise), SW, \$110,595.

8th-PEN, \$33,300, (S), 7-19, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:44.35, ft.

T. J. GOODIE (g, 6, Oratory--Anetta J, by Oh Say) Lifetime Record: 58-5-11-9, \$191,753. O-Ho Dee Boy Stable; B-William F. Goodling (PA); T-Joseph Taylor.

5th-TDN, \$32,500, 7-19, (NW2X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.08, ft.

ALLISEEISGOLD (g, 5, Purge--Braun 'n Gold, by Forestry) Lifetime Record: MSP, 13-7-1-4, \$217,710. O-Beechwood Racing Stable LLC & Capehart Equine; B-Beechwood Racing Stable (OH); T-Sharon Ruberto.

5th-PEN, \$31,329, 7-19, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40.05, ft.

A J'S AMEX (f, 4, Tale of Ekati--Mysterious Moll {MGSW, \$438,254}, by Bates Motel) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-3, \$53,840. O-Rockingham Ranch; B-Jayne Johnson (KY); T-Jorge Navarro. *\$18,000 Ylg '14 KEEJAN; \$14,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP; \$82,500 2yo '15 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Mysterious Soul (Perfect Soul {Ire}), GSP, \$112,401.

3rd-PID, \$30,640, 7-19, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:37.19, ft.

BLACK TIE EVENT (g, 4, Distorted Humor--Quite a Bride {MGSW, &878,881}, by Stormy Atlantic) Lifetime Record: 13-5-1-1, \$76,160. O-Hill Farm LLC; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras S.A. & Winstar Farm LLC (FL); T-Anthony A. Stabile. *\$95,000 RNA Ylg '14 KEESEP.



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3rd-PID, \$28,275, (S), 7-18, (NW2X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:41.94, ft.

MARMALADE (f, 4, Cat Thief--Repeller, by Monashee Mountain) Lifetime Record: 22-6-2-4, \$117,255. O/B-Equvine Farm (PA); T-Frances McNeely. *\$5,000 RNA Ylg '14 EASSEP.

4th-PID, \$27,300, 7-18, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:38.58, ft.

BURBANK ROAD (f, 3, Bellamy Road--Belle Noelle, by Scrimshaw) Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$29,400. O-Louis J Ulman; B-Ben P Walden Jr & WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Dale Capuano. *\$3,500 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$11,000 Ylg '15 OBSWIN.



8th-EVD, \$27,000, (S), 7-19, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.71, ft.

BRUTE STRENGTH (g, 3, Half Ours--Hottamolly, by Sky Classic) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$56,450. O-Valene Farms LLC; B-Clear Creek Stud LLC (LA); T-Sturges J Ducoing. *\$13,000 RNA Ylg '15 BSCYRL.

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7th-TDN, \$26,500, 7-19, (NW3L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.40, ft.
OBVIOUS ONE (g, 3, Bodemeister--Princess Cecilia {MSW,
\$176,880}, by Sharp Humor) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$48,855.
 O/T-Jason DaCosta; B-Classic Thoroughbred (KY). *\$5,500 Ylg '15
 EASOCT.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+Prompted, f, 2, Sangaree--Indecisive, by Article of Faith. IND,
 7-19, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.25. B-Amy & James Elliott (IN). *\$14,000
 RNA 2yo '17 PSRIN. **Third winner for second-crop sire (by
 Awesome Again).

Take Warning, c, 2, Sky Mesa--Dicey D J (SW, \$122,935), by
 Milwaukee Brew. DEL, 7-19, (C), 7 1/2ft, 1:33.82. B-Charles
 McGinnes (MD). *\$10,000 Ylg '16 EASOCT.

Spiced Perfection, f, 2, Smiling Tiger--Perfect Feat, by Pleasantly
 Perfect. DMR, 7-19, (S), 5f, :59.55. B-Premier Thoroughbreds
 LLC (CA). *\$6,500 Ylg '16 BAROCT; \$50,000 2yo '17 BARMAR.

Malibu Bonnie, f, 3, Malibu Moon--Old Time Chicago, by Street
 Sense. WO, 7-19, 7f (AWT), 1:24.46. B-Judy Hicks, Kathryn
 Nikkel & Pegasus Stud (KY). *\$320,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV;
 \$575,000 Ylg '15 FTSAUG.

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Double Cabernet, f, 3, Super Saver--Music of Arabia, by
 Bernstein. LAD, 7-19, 1 1/16mT, 1:46.14. B-WinStar Farm, LLC,
 Kirsty Buick & Charles Wilson (KY). *\$7,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP;
 \$10,000 3yo '17 OBSWIN.

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Gasconade, c, 4, Congrats--Turn Away (SW & GSP, \$185,332), by
 Empire Maker. PID, 7-19, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03.97. B-Juddmonte
 Farms Inc (KY). *\$5,000 3yo '16 KEEJAN.

C C Coaler, g, 4, Double Honor--My Desert Lady (SW, \$115,774),
 by Desert God. ALB, 7-19, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:18.29. B-Vernon
 Hauschild (NM).

Meadow Gem, f, 4, Quality Road--Genuine Charm, by Dixie
 Union. PID, 7-19, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05.07. B-WinStar Farm LLC
 (KY). *\$47,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP.

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Theresa Marnane's **Different League (Fr)** (Dabirsim {Fr}), who lowered the colours of '**TDN Rising Star**' Alpha Centauri (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) in Royal Ascot's G3 Albany S. on June 23, will be set for the G1 Prix Mornay at Deauville on Aug. 20. That race was won by last year's G2 Queen Mary S. winner and fellow '**Rising Star**' Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy), who was named Cartier champion 2-year-old filly and won this year's G1 King's Stand S. at Royal Ascot.

Trainer Matthieu Palussiere said that while there have been offers coming in for the juvenile, she has not changed ownership.

"There's been no change in her circumstances," said Palussiere. "She's been very good since Ascot and now we are looking forward to the Prix Mornay with her. We were all excited at Ascot and she confirmed there what we have thought all along: she's very good. She looks very good, she's some filly all right."

Different League, an €8,000 foal at Arqana December who was led out unsold at £14,000 at Doncaster's Premier Yearling Sale last year, won her first two starts in the French provinces, at Lyon Parilly on May 11 and at Angers on May 23, before upsetting the previously unbeaten Alpha Centauri in the Albany at 20-1.

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WINX SET FOR MONDAY TRIAL

Australian Horse of the Year **Winx (Aus)** (Street Cry {Ire}) will trial on Monday ahead of her upcoming 6-year-old season. Winx, who rides a 17-race win streak that began in May 2015 and has encompassed 12 Group 1 wins, is expected to target a third Cox Plate win in October.

"She's good and we're getting close now to her first-up run," trainer Chris Waller told *Sky Racing*. "It'll probably be four weeks to Saturday so she has her first trial on Monday at Randwick. It'll just be a soft trial. I don't expect her to win or do anything special, she'll just follow them around. Two weeks later she'll have a second trial where she'll do a little bit more."

Like she did last year, Winx is set to start out in the G2 Warwick S. in late August.

"I couldn't be happier," Waller said. "It's just a matter of maintaining her, making sure she stays safe and holds her form."

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VAZIRABAD ON COMEBACK TRAIL

The Aga Khan's dual Group 1-winning stayer **Vazirabad (Fr)** (Manduro {Ger}), who has missed a few summer targets due to injury, is reported to be in good order by Georges Rimaud, manager of the Aga Khan Studs in France. The Alain de Royer-Dupre trainee has won the last two runnings of the G1 Prix Royal Oak and won the G2 Dubai Gold Cup in March, but sustained a minor injury when winning the G2 Prix Vicomtesse Vigier at Chantilly on May 28.

"He had a little problem which meant he had to miss a couple of races, including the Gold Cup," said Rimaud. "There was also the Goodwood Cup. He wasn't going to be ready for that, which is a shame, but he is back in order now and back in work. It will be a little while before he is fit enough to run again, but hopefully he could be ready in a couple of months."

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NO SURGERY FOR ANA O'BRIEN

Jockey Ana O'Brien, who was airlifted to hospital after a mount at Killarney on Tuesday evening, Druids Cross (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}), suffered a fatal fall, will not require surgery for her injuries. The 21-year-old daughter of Aidan O'Brien was found to have a fractured C1 vertebra in her neck and T6 in her back, and fractured cheekbones bilaterally, but brain scans came back clear and MRI scans revealed surgery would not be required.

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No Surgery for Ana O'Brien Cont.

Dr Adrian McGoldrick, chief medical officer for the Irish Turf Club, said, "She has had her MRI scans and Professor Paul Redmond, the head of department at CUH, has looked at them and confirmed that she does not need surgery. They will continue to review her facial injuries."

McGoldrick said he expects O'Brien to be out for three to four months.

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Wednesday, Vichy, France

GRAND PRIX DE VICHY-G3, €80,000, VHY, 7-19, 3yo/up, 10fT, 2:05.38, g/s.

1--**BEST FOUAD (FR)**, 128, g, 6, by **King's Best**

1st Dam: Raheefa, by Riverman

2nd Dam: Oogie Pogie, by Storm Bird

3rd Dam: Cascapedia, by Chieftain

(€13,000 RNA Wlg '11 ARQDEC; €10,000 RNA Ylg '12 AR12; €260,000 3yo '14 ARQARC). O-LG Bloodstock; B-M Mouni (FR); T-Francois Rohaut; J-Christophe Soumillon. €40,000.

Lifetime Record: SW-Swi, 30-12-3-4, €345,250. *1/2 to Rawyaan (GB) (Machiavellian), SW-Eng, \$175,396. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Garlingari (Fr)**, 128, g, 6, Linngari (Ire)--Garlinote (Fr), by Poliglote (GB). O/T-Corine Barande-Barbe; B-Corine Barande-Barbe & Mme Jean-Jacques Massy (FR). €16,000.

3--**Qurbaan**, 128, c, 4, **Speightstown**--Flip Flop (Fr), by Zieten. (\$300,000 Wlg '13 KEENOV). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum. €12,000.



Margins: 1, NK, 4HF. Odds: 1.80, 1.30, 3.80.

Also Ran: Porsenna (Ire), Subway Dancer (Ire), Raseed (GB).

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G3 Grand Prix de Vichy Cont.

Deadly in the provinces, Best Fouad was the winner of the Defi du Galop series in 2016 with three listed wins and returned to beat the subsequent G1 Dubai Turf runner-up Heshem (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) in the Prix Darshaan conditions event on Chantilly's Polytrack Mar. 2. Sixth behind Cloth of Stars (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) in the 10-furlong G2 Prix d'Harcourt trying a stiffer challenge back there Apr. 9, the bay had bounced back to capture the Listed Le Vase d'Argent for the second time over this trip at Toulouse 20 days later before finishing third in the Listed Grand Prix de Bordeaux at Bordeaux-le-Bouscat May 27 and winning the June 24 Listed Grand Prix de Compiègne.

Restrained with one behind early by regular partner Christophe Soumillon, he was taken to the stand's side at the top of the straight with just Qurbaan following his path and after narrowly gaining the upper hand from the far-side leader Garlingari approaching the furlong pole steadily asserted for another success at this level.

Pedigree Notes...

Best Fouad is a half-brother to the Listed Foundation S. winner Rawyaan and descends from the GI Vanity H. winner Cascapedia (Chieftain), who was responsible for the GII Malibu S. winner Glacial Stream (Crystal Water) and the GIII Rancho Bernardo Breeders' Cup H. scorer Cascading Gold (Mr. Prospector). She is also the dam of the UAE heavyweight and GII Palos Verdes H., GII Potrero Grande Breeders' Cup H. and GII San Carlos H. winner Big Jag (Kleven) from the family of the GI Prioress S. winner Acey Deucey (Abaginone), G1 AJC Oaks and G1 Ranvet S. heroine Republic Lass (Aus) (Canny Lad {Aus}), G1 Durban July winner The Conglomerate (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}), GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup S. winner Captive Miss (Acaroid) and the GIII Southwest S. scorer and GI Arkansas Derby runner-up Far Right (Notional).



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THE SOCIAL ANGLE

WITH FRANCIS GRAFFARD, TRAINER

by Amie Karlsson

More and more businesses in the thoroughbred industry are using social media to strengthen their brand and reach out to current and potential customers and clients. Chantilly-based trainer Francis Graffard shares his strategies for social media marketing.



Francis Graffard | Scoop Dyga

TDN: What are the benefits of social media marketing for businesses in the Thoroughbred industry?

FG: Social media has different benefits, depending which channel you are using. Twitter is great for brief news items that can reach a more international audience, while we find Facebook a great 'fan' platform. Facebook is as much of a community for our employees and followers as it is a marketing tool, so we try and engage with that community a bit more.

TDN: What social channels do you prefer, and what type of content do you post on each platform?

FG: We're most active on Twitter and Facebook, and a little bit on Instagram. We tend to post a lot of the same content on Twitter and Facebook, but use English for Twitter and French for Facebook and obviously try to tell a bit more of a story with Facebook.

We post new content when we have something to say, usually results or news. We don't have any rules. In the winter, when the racing is a bit quieter, we try and post a few behind the scenes pictures and take advantage of the beauty of Chantilly at all times of the year.



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TDN: Do you look at other organisations, inside or outside the Thoroughbred world, for inspiration?

FG: When we started, not really. We just came up with a vague plan to be present and tell our story, but now we do try and get ideas from outside the industry, just to freshen up what we're doing.

We don't have a marketing team or budget and I don't know many trainers in Europe who have the margins to incorporate that into their business so any ideas tend to be ones that we pick up on the fly. Video content is definitely becoming more popular so we'll try to put more of that in going forward.

TDN: Can you convert social media followers into customers?

FG: It certainly was a help when I set up a racing syndicate earlier this year. I think people looking to get involved in racing in a small way, such as via a syndicate or club, are more comfortable with someone who they feel they've gotten to know through social media.

TDN: Do you have any general tips for other businesses in the industry who are planning to start using social media?

Francis Graffard
@GraffardRacing

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The Social Angle With Francis Graffard Cont.

FG: *Just be yourself and be authentic. People are looking for authenticity and positivity. Don't underestimate how much people love horses and just love to experience the day-to-day life of a racehorse via social media.*

TDN: What are the biggest mistakes to avoid making?

FG: *Never post in a language that isn't your own unless you've had a native speaker proof-read it! Be open and honest but remember it's a professional tool. People want to get to know you, so be authentic, but professional at the same time, don't try and create a persona that doesn't exist. Keep grammatical and spelling errors to a minimum as they can look very sloppy.*

TDN: Going forward, what social media trends are you looking forward to?

FG: *I love that on social media you can watch a whole race-- that's got to be a great benefit of our sport, the whole event can be easily shared and used to engage the audience.*

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Thursday, July 20

AL KAZEEM (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Oakgrove Stud, 18K, *23/1/0
18:10-DONCASTER, 7.04f, Craftiness (GB)

ALIANTHUS (GER) (Hernando {Fr}), Haras de la Couriais, \$2K, *14/0/0
7-VICHY, 1400m, Ever Love (FR)

CITYSCAPE (GB) (Selkirk), Overbury Stud, 5K, *61/1/0
13:50-CHEPSTOW, 6.08f, Dan's Dream (GB)

DABIRSIM (FR) (Hat Trick {Jpn}), Haras de Grandcamp, 9K, *97/9/1
14:20-CHEPSTOW, 6.08f, Fenagh (IRE)

DAWN APPROACH (IRE) (New Approach {Ire}), Kildangan Stud, 35K, *111/2/0
5-VICHY, 60K PRIX DES REVES D'OR - JACQUES BOUCHARA, 1000m, Haddaf (IRE), 85,000gns TATOCT yrl

EPAULETTE (AUS) (Commands {Aus}), Kildangan Stud, 7.5K, *104/3/0
18:30-EPSON DOWNS, 7.02f, Doublet (IRE), €130,000 GOF NOV wnl
19:15-DONCASTER, 6.02f, She's Different (IRE), €25,000 GOFORB yrl

FRENCH FIFTEEN (FR) (Turtle Bowl {Ire}), Haras du Logis Saint Germain, 6K, *50/1/0
2-MONT-DE-MARSAN, 1400m, Qatar Cup (FR)

GEORGE VANCOUVER (Henrythenavigator), Haras de la Hetraie, 6K, *69/2/0
7-VICHY, 1400m, Jugeotte (FR)

HAVANA GOLD (IRE) (Teofilo {Ire}), Tweenhills Farm & Stud, 8.5K, *104/11/1
18:10-DONCASTER, 7.04f, Madame Jo Jo (GB), 6,500gns TAT FEB 2yo

MAZAMEER (IRE) (Green Desert), Kingfisher Stallions, 3K, *24/1/0
14:20-CHEPSTOW, 6.08f, Redtedd (GB)

PEDRO THE GREAT (Henrythenavigator), Haras de la Haie Neuve, 3K, *35/3/0
7-VICHY, 1400m, Angevine (FR)
7-VICHY, 1400m, Greaty Lion (FR), €6,000 OSLATE yrl
7-VICHY, 1400m, The Great (FR)

PENNY'S PICNIC (IRE) (Kheleyf), Haras du Hoguenet, 3K, *41/3/0
14:00-HAMILTON PARK, 5.04f, Onesarnieshort (FR), €30,000 ARO YRG yrl
4-MONT-DE-MARSAN, 1400m, Caol (FR), €20,000 RNA ARAU2 yrl

REPLY (IRE) (Oasis Dream {GB}), Haras d'Ayguemorte, \$2K, *23/1/0
4-MONT-DE-MARSAN, 1400m, Zeplya (FR), €5,000 OSLATE yrl



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First-Season Sires With Runners Cont.

SOCIETY ROCK (IRE) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud, 8K, *122/13/0
19:15-DONCASTER, 6.02f, Viking Way (IRE), 13,000gns TATHIT 2yo
16:20-LEICESTER, 7f, Shaheen (IRE), 120,000gns TAOCT yrl
13:50-CHEPSTOW, 6.08f, Music Society (IRE), €70,000 GOFORB yrl

STYLE VENDOME (FR) (Anabaa), Haras de Bouquetot, 12K, *78/3/0
4-MONT-DE-MARSAN, 1400m, Fancy Dresser (FR), €19,000 RNA TIRSEP yrl
18:10-DONCASTER, 7.04f, Princess Jessica (FR), €10,000 RNA AROYRG yrl
7-VICHY, 1400m, Lagora (FR), €17,000 RNA OSLATE yrl

SWISS SPIRIT (GB) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Whitsbury Manor Stud, 4.5K, *76/6/0
18:30-EPSOM DOWNS, 7.02f, Erastus (GB)
14:20-CHEPSTOW, 6.08f, Swissal (IRE), €55,000 TIR SEP yrl

*Foals/winners/stakes winners

Cartier Horse of the Year Points Standings

Horse	Points
Winter (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})	116
Barney Roy (GB) (Excelebration {Ire})	104
Ribchester (Ire) (Iffraaj {GB})	86
Churchill (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})	80
Decorated Knight (GB) (Galileo {Ire})	80
Enable (GB) (Nathaniel {Ire})	80
Highland Reel (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})	80
Thunder Snow (Ire) (Helmet {Aus})	78
Brametot (Fr) (Rajsaman {Fr})	72
Harry Angel (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire})	68
Ulysses (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})	68

The Cartier Racing Awards are arrived at by a combination of points earned in pattern races (30% of the total), the opinions of a panel of racing journalists/handicappers (35%) and votes from readers of Racing Post and The Daily Telegraph plus ITV Racing viewers (35%).

BRITAIN



Wednesday's Results:

4th-SAN, £13,000, Hcp, 7-19, 3yo/up, 8fT, 1:45.62, gd.

MAKE TIME (IRE) (c, 3, Makfi {GB}--Poppet's Lovein {GB}, by Lomitas {GB}), who had not been seen since running seventh in the G3 Greenham S. over seven furlongs at Newbury Apr. 22, was confidently backed into 11-10 favouritism and waited behind the leading trio early. Cajoled to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs to race, the 60,000gns TAOCT yearling stayed on to score by six lengths from Selection (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}). The dam is a half to the "Budapest Bullet" and MGSW Overdose (GB) (Starborough {GB}). A descendant of the G3 St Simon S. winner Upend (GB) (Main Reef {GB}), she also has a 2-year-old colt by Lawman (Fr) named Tilghman (Ire) and a yearling filly by Showcasing (GB). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$19,010. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Gail Brown Racing (VII); B-Kildaragh Stud (IRE); T-David Menuisier.

2nd-YAR, £7,000, Cond, 7-19, 2yo, 7f 3yT, 1:28.32, gd.

+THE LAST EMPEROR (GB) (c, 2, Azamour {Ire}--Raskutani {GB}, by Dansili {GB}), a 230,000gns TAOCT yearling, was slowly away and squeezed out before quickly gaining a prominent pitch in behind the leading duo. In front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 10-3 favourite was pushed out to secure a cosy half-length success from Radio Source (Ire) (Raven's Pass). The winner is a half-brother to the G3 Geoffrey Freer S. winner, G1 Irish St Leger runner-up and G2 Grand Prix de Chantilly third Agent Murphy (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), GSW-Eng, G1SP-Ire & GSP-Fr, \$296,615, out of a half to the G2 Superlative S. and GIII Perryville S. winner Hatta Fort (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), the G3 Sweet Solera S. scorer Blue Bayou (GB) (Bahamian Bounty {GB}) and to the dam of the G3 Zukunfts-Rennen winner Ayaar (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}). The third dam is the stakes winner Ingozi (GB) (Warning {GB}), a half-sister to Inchinor (GB) whose Miss Keller (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) achieved champion grass mare status in Canada after capturing the GI E. P. Taylor S. and GII Canadian S. and who was also placed in the GII Churchill Distaff Turf Mile S. Also connected to last year's G1 St Leger hero and recent G1 Gold Cup third Harbour Law (GB) (Lawman {Fr}), the dam has a yearling colt by Toronado (Ire) to follow. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,905. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Wellsummers Farm (GB); T-Roger Varian.

British Report Cont.**FIRST WINNER FOR SIRE**

2nd-SAN, £6,000, Cond, 7-19, 2yo, 7fT, 1:31.85, gd.
FINSBURY PARK (GB) (c, 2, Finjaan {GB}--Fonnie {Ire}, by Baratheia {Ire}), fifth on debut over seven furlongs at Wolverhampton July 3, started at 10-1 and raced in behind the leading quartet throughout the early stages. Challenging wide in the straight, the 2,200gns TAJUL yearling grabbed the advantage approaching the furlong pole and stayed on to score by a neck from Macaque (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}). Finsbury Park, who also has a yearling full-brother, becomes the first winner for his G2 Lennox S.-winning first-season sire (by Royal Applause {GB}) who stands at Gazeley Stud at a fee of £2,500. The dam is a half to the G2 Norfolk S. third Crown Dependency (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) from the family of the G3 C. L. Weld Park S. winner and G3 Queen Mary S. and G3 Fred Darling S. third Rag Top (Ire) (Baratheia {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$5,061. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O-Franconson Partners; B-Maze Rattan Limited (GB); T-Robyn Brisland.

5th-LIN, £4,500, Cond, 7-19, 2yo, f, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:13.39, st.
TRAVELCARD (f, 2, Iffraaj {GB}--Central Line, by Redoute's Choice {Aus}), who hit the board going six panels in her July 12 debut at Kempton last time, was bounced along from the outside gate to stalk the pace in second after the initial exchanges of this quick reappearance. Duelling for the lead with Misty Spirit (GB) (Swiss Spirit {GB}) from halfway, the 11-4 second choice came under ever increasing pressure in the straight and was driven out inside the final furlong to get the better of that tenacious rival by a neck. She is a granddaughter of the stakes-winning G2 BMW Angus Armanasco S. runner-up Causeway Lass (Aus) (Giant's Causeway), herself a daughter of M1 Marlboro Cup, G1 Elders Mile and G1 William Reid S. heroine Canny Lass (Aus) (Bletchingly {Aus}), who in turn is a full-sister to Australian highweight and MG1SW sire Canny Lad (Aus). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$4,414. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Godolphin (KY); T-Mark Johnston.



4th-YAR, £4,500, Mdn, 7-19, 3yo/up, f, 7f 3yT, 1:26.78, gd.
UAE QUEEN (GB) (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Pongee {GB} {Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 14f+, GSW & G1SP-Eng, \$298,043}, by Baratheia {Ire}), a 450,000gns TATOCT yearling, disappointed when only seventh as the favourite for an extended mile maiden at Nottingham last time June 11, quickly held the advantage.

Extending inside the final furlong, the 2-1 second favourite hit the line with 2 1/4 lengths to spare over Chalky (Ire) (Canford Cliffs {Ire}). The accomplished dam, who achieved highweight status when winning the G2 Lancashire Oaks and finishing second in the G1 Yorkshire Oaks, has produced three black-type performers headed by the Listed Fairway S. scorer Pinzolo (GB) (Monsun {Ger}), SW & MGSP-Eng, \$208,759. Her 2-year-old colt by Dansili (GB) named Drill (GB) made his debut last week, while she has a yearling filly by Dubawi (Ire) to come. The family features several notables, including the dual Oaks heroine Alexandrova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1 Cheveley Park S. winner Magical Romance (Ire) (Baratheia {Ire}) and the recent Curragh Cup scorer Rekindling (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$4,423. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**
 O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Fittocks Stud (GB); T-Roger Varian.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cameo Star (Ire), c, 2, Camacho (GB)---Passionforfashion (Ire), by Fasliyev. BEV, 7-18, 5fT, 1:01.91. B-Mrs P O'Rourke (IRE). *€14,000 RNA Ylg '16 TIRSEP; £16,000 2yo '17 TATABR.

Reflect Alexander (Ire), f, 2, Kodiak (GB)---Moon Club (Ire), by Red Clubs (Ire). CAB, 7-19, 5fT, :58.62. B-C Farrell (IRE). *37,000gns Wlg '15 TATFOA; £60,000 Ylg '16 GOUKPR.

Khitaamy (Ire), g, 3, Approve (Ire)---Halliwell House (GB), by Selkirk. CAB, 7-19, 7f 6yT, 1:25.41. B-Yeomanstown Stud (IRE). *50,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT.

So Sleek (GB), f, 3, Lawman (Fr)---So Silk (GB), by Rainbow Quest. LIN, 7-19, 11f 133yT, 2:32.66. B-Fittocks Stud & Arrow Farm Stud (GB). *450,000gns Ylg '15 TATOCT. **1/2 to Silk Sari (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Eng, \$363,251; and Fashion Fund (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), SP-US, \$242,399.

FRANCE

Thursday, Vichy, post time: 2.50 p.m.

PRIX DES REVES D'OR - JACQUES BOUCHARA-Listed, €60,000, 2yo, 5fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	5	Haddaf (Ire)	Dawn Approach (Ire)	Soumillon	Tate
2	7	Mister Five Euros (Fr)	Diamond Green (Fr)	Piccone	Chappet
3	8	Rimini (Fr)	Elusive City	Auge	Ferland
4	6	Nootka Sound	Lonhro (Aus)	Pedroza	Ward
5	4	Beautiful Destiny (Ire)	Haatef	Lecoivre	Palussiere
6	2	Rioticism (Fr)	Rio de la Plata	Hamelin	Palussiere
7	9	Double Variance (Fr)	Orpen	Bachelot	Wattel
8	1	Kentish Waltz (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Veron	O'Neill
9	3	Evabienchope (Fr)	Captain Chop (Fr)	Crastus	Sogorb

All carry 125 pounds bar Haddaf, Mister Five Euros & Rimini, 128.

Tuesday's Results:

PRIX HUBERT BAGUENAUT DE PUCHESSE-Listed, €52,000, VHY, 7-18, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2:26, g/s.

1--SMART WHIP (FR), 126, g, 6, Dylan Thomas (Ire)--Green Girl (Fr), by Lord of Men (GB). O-Mme Ernest Le Clezio; B-Ronchalon Racing (UK) Ltd (FR); T-Christophe Lotoux; J-Eddy Hardouin. €26,000. Lifetime Record: 35-8-3-6, €188,960.

2--Holdthasigreen (Fr), 132, g, 5, Hold That Tiger--Greentathir (Fr), by Muhtathir (GB). O-Claude Le Lay. €10,400.

3--Traffic Jam (Ire), 122, f, 4, Duke of Marmalade (Ire)--Place de L'Etoile (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. (€65,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB). O-Alexis Adamian. €7,800.

Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 5.30, 1.70, 2.00.

Also Ran: Pump Pump Palace (Fr), Sisene (Ire), Prophets Pride (GB), Shaywan (Ire), Satanicjim (Ire), Delegation (Fr).

Smart Whip stepped out of handicap company to register 12-furlong conditions scores at Nantes on Apr. 11 and Maisons-Laffitte on May 17, and went postward for this coming off a runner-up finish to Holdthasigreen in Lyon-Parilly's June 11 Listed Grand Prix de Lyon. Steadied off the pace in sixth after an alert break, he made headway in the straight to move within striking range at the two pole and stayed on strongly under late urging to deny his old foe Holdthasigreen nearing the line for a career high.

Smart Whip, half-brother to Listed Prix des Jouvenceaux et des Jouvencelles third Belle de Belle (Fr) (Big Bad Bob {Ire}), is the first stakes scorer out of the stakes-winning GII La Prevoyante H. and G3 Prix Cleopatre placegetter Green Girl (Fr) (Lord of Men {GB}), herself a half-sister to G3 Prix du Calvados victress Green Swallow (Fr) (Green Tune), who in turn is the dam of G2 Prix de Malleret heroine Yellow and Green (GB) (Monsun {Ger}). **Click for the [Racing Post result](#). Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

1st-VHY, €18,000, Mdn, 7-18, 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:27.86, g/s.

+MARIANAFOOT (FR) (c, 2, Footstepsinthesand {GB})--

Marianabaa {Fr}, by Anabaa was held up off the pace through the early fractions of this first go. Making relentless headway into contention in the straight, the 48-5 chance quickened to the fore just inside the eighth pole and was pushed out to score by a half length from Dark Side (Fr) (Dark Angel {Ire}). Kin to the yearling colt Michlifen (Fr) (Authorized {Ire}), the homebred chestnut is the first scorer produced by a winning daughter of Listed Prix des Lilas victress and G3 Prix Chloe runner-up Maria Gabriella (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), herself a half-sister to MGSP Listed Prix Volterra winner Night of Light (Ire) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) and dual stakes placegetter Roatan (GB) (Daylami {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €9,000. **Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.**

O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul (FR); T-Frederic Rossi.

7th-VHY, €26,000, Cond, 7-18, 3yo, 8fT, 1:37.75, g/s.

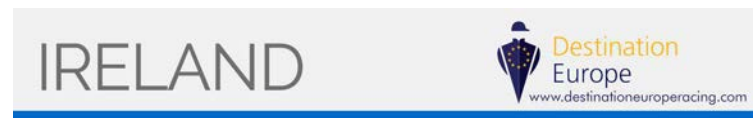
LA POUTANESCA (IRE) (f, 3, Falco--Victoria College {Fr} {MSP-Fr}, by Rock of Gibraltar {Fr}) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 6-2-1-1, €39,950. O-Alain Michel Haddad & Tarek El Shareef; B-Omar El Sharif (IRE); T-David Smaga. *1/2 to Lucky Look (Fr) (Teofilo {Ire}), MGSP-Fr, \$117,799; and Millfield (Fr) (Whipper), GSP-Fr, \$112,576.

3rd-VHY, €18,000, Cond, 7-18, 4yo/up, 12fT, 2.28.27, g/s.

ECHAUFFOUR (FR) (c, 4, Le Havre {Ire}--Langrune {Ire} {SP-Fr}, by Fasliyev) Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, €58,500. O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Franklin Finance SA (FR); T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *Full to Orbec (Fr), SW-Fr & GSP-Aus, \$184,519.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Altea (Fr), f, 2, Siyouni (Fr)--Ensis (Spa) (SP-Fr), by Zieten. VHY, 7-18, 7fT, 1:23.40. B-Carlos Vazquez Gonzalez (FR).

**THOROUGHBRED TRAIL FILLING UP**

Two of the nine trails for the Curragh Thoroughbred Trail, part of Irish Champions Weekend on Sept. 10, have sold out. The Curragh Thoroughbred Trail allows racing fans behind-the-scenes access to racing yards, stud farms and equine hospitals in the area. Already sold out are visits to the yards of Dermot Weld and Johnny Murtagh, and with openings still available are the yards of John Oxx, Adrian Keatley, Willie McCreery, Michael O'Callaghan, Michael Halford and Tracey Collins, as well as the Irish National Stud, Kildangan Stud, the Racing Academy and Centre for Education and the Irish Farrier School.

Each trail is limited to 50 people filled on a first come, first served basis. All proceeds from the trails will benefit horse racing charities.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

She's So Flawless (Ire), f, 3, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--College Fund Girl (Ire), by Kahyasi (Ire). KIL, 7-19, 14fT, 3:13.05. B-Douglas Taylor (IRE). *€50,000 RNA Ylg '15 GOFORB. **1/2 to Mehdi (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), GSP-UAE, \$296,981; & to Parvaneh (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), MGSW-Ger, \$121,625.

OBSERVATIONS

on the European racing scene

6.10 Doncaster, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, f, 7f 6yT

PICCOLA COLLINA (IRE) (Dubawi {Ire}), who was a 625,000gns TATFOA weanling, is the first foal produced by 2011 G1 Phoenix S. and 2013 G1 Matron S. victress La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {Ire}), and carries the Godolphin blue here. The Charlie Appleby trainee faces 15 rivals in this unveiling.

6.20 Leopardstown, Mdn, €19,000, 2yo, 7f 20yT

SANDARYANN (IRE) (Rip Van Winkle {Ire}), representing the Dermot Weld stable in this debut, is a half-brother to four stakes performers headed by 2010 G1 Prix Saint-Alary, 2010 G1 Prix de Diane and 2011 G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud heroine Sarafina (Fr) (Refuse to Bend {Ire}), and 2006 G1 Prix Saint-Alary second Sanaya (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}). His Highness The Aga Khan's homebred bay is opposed by a cast of eight here.

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The progeny of well-established sires Harbinger(GB) and Kinshasa no Kiseki (Aus) also sold well during the one-day sale, grossing ¥192,672,000 (£1,323,660/€1,496,525) for 10 lots and ¥170,100,000 (£1,168,590/€1,321,351) for 12 lots, respectively. Both stallions have been consistently showing favourable results with each crop they produce. Black Tide (Jpn), the full-brother to Deep Impact (Jpn) who stands in the Hidaka region, grossed ¥168,156,000 (£1,155,235/€1,306,250) for 10 lots sold.

Since 2014, the Selection Sale--the Hidaka region's premier yearling sale--has seen across the board increases in gross, clearance, average and median. The gross in 2014 was ¥1,852,956,000 and has broken that record every year since, though there was a ¥600,000,000 increase from last year alone. The average and median have steadily risen but this year saw a significant increase, an average of ¥16,905,521 (£116,141/€131,313) was up by 17.1% over last year, and a median of ¥15,120,000 (£103,874/€117,444) was up by 33.3%. The clearance rate has risen steadily from 62.1% in 2014 to 73.5% in 2016, and jumped to 81.4% this year.

After the sale had finished, Hidaka Breeders Association president Mitsuki Kimura said a few words about the sale: "This is one of the best sales we have had here in the Hidaka area. We are always working to improve our sale, not only for the buyers who come but also to support the breeders of the Hidaka region."

Bolstered each year by the many Group 1 successes of the Hidaka-bred horses such as Maurice (Jpn), Kitasan Back (Jpn), Gold Ship (Jpn), Straight Girl (Jpn), Deep Brillante (Jpn) and Big Arthur (Jpn) (Selection Sale grad), the Hokkaido Selection Sale is developing a brand of excellence all its own.

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LORD KANALOA HEADLINES RECORD SELECTION SALE

By Kate Hunter

A week after a record-breaking JRHA Select Sale in Chitose, the Hokkaido Selection Sale in Shizunai kept the momentum going with a record-shattering ¥3,110,616,000 (£21,362,915/€24,161,725) gross and 81.4% clearance rate. This was the fifth consecutive year the Selection Sale has seen growth and the second year in a row of significant gains across the board, which has continued a fairly consistent decade of improvement. Leading the charge was the JRA's leading freshman sire Lord Kanaloa (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}).

The 2013 JRA Horse of the Year has had a remarkable start to his stallion career, having four individual winners from 13 starters to date. Lord Kanaloa's results on the track and his progeny's physicals drove the market on Tuesday, with 12 of his second crop grossing ¥289,440,000 (£1,988,250/€2,248,226), which was ¥100,000,000 or more than any other stallion at the sale. He had the sale topper, a half-brother to multiple graded stakes winner Hakusan Moon (Jpn) (Admire Moon {Jpn}), who went for ¥47,520,000 (£326,429/€369,098) to Gaen Kogyo LLC. All of Lord Kanaloa's 12 sold went for over ¥10,000,000.



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HOKKAIDO SELECTION SALE (YEARLINGS)

SESSION TOTALS	2017	2016
• Catalogued	234	242
• No. Offered	226	238
• No. Sold	184	175
• RNAs	42	63
• % RNAs	18.6%	26.5%
• High Price (¥)	47,520,000	54,000,000
• Gross (¥)	3,110,616,000	2,525,904,000
• Average (¥) (% change)	16,905,522 (+17.1%)	14,433,737
• Median (% change)	15,120,000 (+33.3%)	11,340,000

SESSION TOPPERS

HOKKAIDO SELECTION SALE (YEARLINGS)

TUESDAY'S TOP FIVE COLTS

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price (¥)
11	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Ciliege (Jpn)	47,520,000
	<i>B-Shirai Stud Farm Co Ltd</i>		
	Consigned by Shirai Stud Farm Co Ltd		
	Purchased by Gaen Kogyo Company Limited		
22	Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)	Tokai Poppy (Jpn)	41,040,000
	<i>B-Nibutani Farm</i>		
	Consigned by Nibutani Thoroughbred Kyodo Ikusei Center		
	Purchased by Nagai Shoji		
211	Grand Prix Boss (Jpn)	Cerulean Blue (Jpn)	41,040,000
	<i>B-Tsuji Bokujo</i>		
	Consigned by Tsuji Bokujo		
	Purchased by Kenji Ryotokuji		
136	Eishin Flash (Jpn)	Solid Platinum (Jpn)	39,960,000
	<i>B-Hashimoto Bokujo</i>		
	Consigned by Hashimoto Bokujo		
	Purchased by Kenji Nagai		
152	Orfevre (Jpn)	Cordylone	39,960,000
	<i>B-Okada Bokujo</i>		
	Consigned by Mena Kyodo Training Center		
	Purchased by Tomoya Ozasa		

HOKKAIDO SELECTION SALE

TUESDAY'S TOP THREE FILLIES

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price (¥)
35	Kinshasa no Kiseki (Aus)	Go Fight Win (Jpn)	30,240,000
	<i>B-Okada Bokujo</i>		
	Consigned by Mena Kyodo Training Center		
	Purchased by Big Red Farm Co Ltd		

55	Harbinger (GB)	Narita Blue Star (Jpn)	28,080,000
	<i>B-Tagami Farm Co Ltd</i>		
	Consigned by Urakawa Ikusei Center		
	Purchased by Kieffers		
176	Harbinger (GB)	Crosswater	24,840,000
	<i>B-Suzaki Bokujo</i>		
	Consigned by Suzaki Bokujo		
	Purchased by Ryoichi Yamaoka		

EXPENSIVE SAVABEEL COLT DEBUTS A WINNER AT WARWICK FARM

by Alan Carasso

Ultra Thoroughbreds' **Addictive Nature (Aus)** (Savabeel {Aus}), whose NZ\$775,000 pricetag was the joint third-highest at the 2016 New Zealand Bloodstock Premier Yearling Sale, validated \$2.50 (3-2) favouritism to open his account at first asking Wednesday afternoon at Warwick Farm.

The Bjorn Baker-trained juvenile, winner of barrier trials at Rosehill ([video](#)) and Randwick ([video](#)), was a bit reluctant to load, but jumped neatly and put himself into the thick of the early battle beneath jockey Tim Clark. On the bridle throughout, the bay raced in the two path in a line of four off the home corner, kicked nicely when asked for an effort entering the final furlong and came away to defeat chief market rival Gold Standard (Aus) (Sebring {Aus}) by 1 1/4 lengths ([video](#)). Godolphin's Schubert (Aus) (Lonhro {Aus}), a winner at Newcastle June 27, was third. The final time of 1:03.66 broke a 13-year-old class record

"He has shown us a lot so it's nice to see him put them away today," stable foreman Jack Bruce told *Racing NSW*. "We have been waiting a good year for that since we've had him. He is a real good looker and he has got the manners to match which I think is very important for a colt. He takes everything in his stride and even today before the race, how he handled everything, was very impressive." [Cont. p12](#)



Addictive Nature as a yearling | nzb.co.nz

Expensive Savabeel Colt Debuts a Winner Cont.

Addictive Nature, by the sire who supplied the second-, third- and fourth-top lots at Karaka 18 months ago, was bred by and consigned to the Premier Sale by Little Avondale Stud and is a full-brother to Savvy Nature (NZ), winner of the G2 Moonee Valley Vase (2000m) and third in the G1 Spring Champion S. (2000m). The dam of a soon-to-be 2-year-old filly by Sebring (Aus), Generous Nature (Aus) (Carnegie {Ire}) missed to Little Avondale's Per Incanto in 2016 and was most recently returned to that son of Street Cry (Ire).

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AUSTRALIAN-BRED WINNERS

IN SOUTH AFRICA:

Roy's Zara (Aus), f, 2, **Big Brown**--Eyelean (Aus), by Galileo (Ire). Greyville, 7-19, Maiden Plate, 2000m (AWT), 2:04.40. O-Roy Moodley; B-Glastonbury Farm (NSW); T-D C Howells.

Roy's Regis (Aus), c, 2, **Choisir (Aus)**--Little Wonder Why (Aus), by Kala Dancer. Greyville, 7-19, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:23.72. O-Roy Moodley; B-Klemley Pty Ltd (Qld); T-D C Howells. *Full to Celtic Dancer (Aus), GSW-Aus, A\$530,550. **A\$67,500 Ylg '16 MMGCYS.

Roy's Hollyhock (Aus), f, 3, **Husson (Arg)**--Lady Atire (NZ) (GSP-Aus, MSP-NZ, \$109,720), by Pentire (GB). Greyville, 7-19, Maiden Plate, 1600m (AWT), 1:36.90. O-Roy Moodley; B-G J Perry (NSW); T-D C Howells. *A\$4,000 Ylg '15 MMNAT.

Roy Royale (Aus), g, 7, **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**--Quinsigimond (GB), by Formidable. Greyville, 7-19, Hcp., 1000m (AWT), :59.05. O-Roy Moodley; B-Premier Bloodstock (NSW); T-A Wright. *1/2 to Chester County (Aus) (Hennessy), SW-Aus, A\$241,970. **A\$57,500 Wlg '10 MMNWNL.

JAPANESE GROUP 1 RACES – 2017


Date	Race	Track
Oct. 1	Sprinters' S.	Nakayama
Oct. 15	Shuka Sho	Kyoto
Oct. 22	Kikuka Sho (St Leger)	Kyoto
Oct. 29	Tenno Sho (Autumn)	Tokyo
Nov. 12	Queen Elizabeth II Cup	Kyoto
Nov. 19	Mile Championship S.	Kyoto
Nov. 26	Japan Cup	Tokyo
Dec. 3	Champions Cup	Chukyo
Dec. 10	Hanshin Juvenile Fillies	Hanshin

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2	2	Brendan Brackan (Ire)	Big Bad Bob (Ire)	Keane	Lyons	135
3	3	Moonlight Magic (GB)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Manning	Bolger	135
4	1	Tennessee Wildcat (Ire)	Kheleyf	Carroll	Lyons	135
5	5	The Grey Gatsby (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Smullen	Weld	135

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