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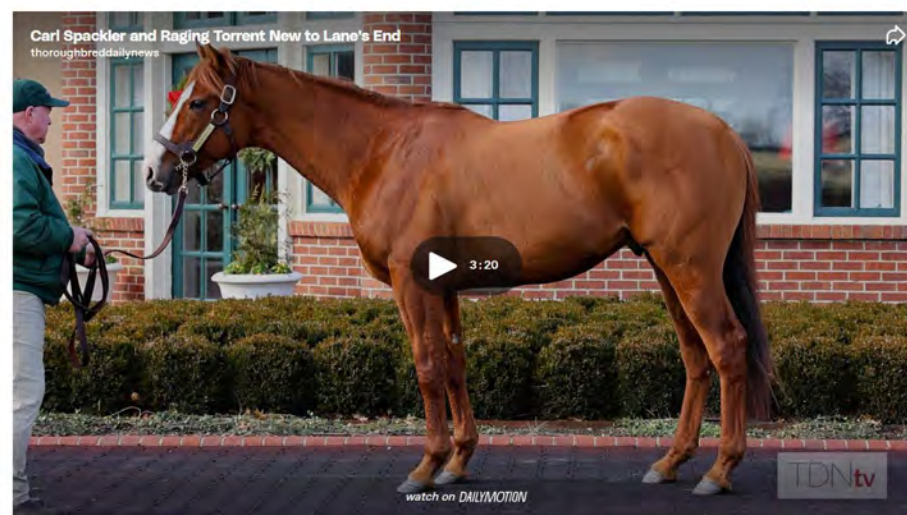
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| **Chef Bobby Flay**



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| **Entrepreneur Mike Repole**



“ I read the TDN as soon as I arrive in the office in the morning. It is a pleasure to read it every day. It is a very enjoyable source of precise information for the Thoroughbred industry around the world. It helps me a lot and I couldn’t do without it.

| **Henri Bozo, Ecurie des Monceaux**



“ The TDN is the go-to source of racing and sales information for our core customers.

| **Boyd Browning, President & Chief Executive Officer, Fasig-Tipton**

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| **Trainer Aidan O’Brien**



“ TDN is the undisputed leader of daily bloodstock publications which makes it a can’t-miss when you wish to reach a wide, yet qualified target. The team is also great to deal with: they have an excellent understanding of our needs, regularly come up with innovative offers and are always very responsive to our requests.

| **Olivier Delloye, President, Arqana**

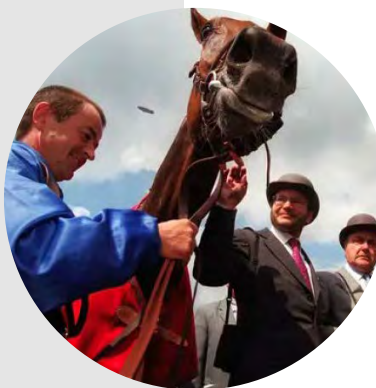
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Our super-users include billionaires from all over the world: heads of state, owners of Fortune 500 companies, America's largest landowner, and UHNW individuals from all over the world. And they're not just our readers: they're our advertisers, giving them a connection to the publication that is unheard of at all but a select few publications in the world.



Peter Brant, American industrialist and art collector Peter Brant is a daily reader and frequent advertiser.

John Magnier, the Irish billionaire with real estate holdings around the world, writes notes in the TDN's margins every day and sends them to his associates. He owns Thoroughbred farms on three continents.



Gerald and Alain Wertheimer, the French billionaire owners of Chanel, open the TDN several times per day, and open virtually every push alert they receive from us.

AFFLUENT INVESTORS

Our top 10 advertisers include the ruling family of Dubai, the Standard Oil family, billionaires in communications (Excel's **Kenny Troutt**), the family that owned the Pittsburgh Pirates (the **Galbreaths**), **George Soros's** equine operation (SF Bloodstock), and the farm owned by the billionaire founder of Public Storage, the late **B. Wayne Hughes**, whose family now runs the operation.



Kenny Troutt accepting WinStar's Eclipse Award for Outstanding Breeder, January 28, 2021.



Eric Gustavson, B. Wayne Hughes's son-in-law, is the owner of Spendthrift Farm.

AMERICAN INDUSTRIALISTS

A younger, robust group of American and international investors interacts daily with the TDN and enjoys being featured in our pages.

For people who don't own a sports team, a racing stable is the next best thing.

People like:

- **Jim Bakke, the CEO and owner of Sub-Zero/Wolf.**

- **Energy titan Paul Farr, who is developing a \$130 million complex, Titledown, outside of Lambeau Field. Being featured in the TDN, he said, "made his decade."**

Peter Brant's Racing Renaissance

Monday, November 19, 2018 at 5:48 pm | [Back to: Shared News, Today's Edition](#)
Updated: November 19, 2018 at 5:50 pm

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By Chris McGrath

His father always told him how his were "the first footsteps in the snow." Long days, hard work, crepe paper and cork factories: a classic immigrant tale of New York. But there was an intellectual legacy, too. The man spoke 13 languages. Thirteen! Now Peter Brant is in turn reiterating to the next generation-and he has no fewer than nine children-that wealth alone is no guarantee of fulfillment, that it must be sustained by engagement with the challenges and beauty of a world widened by privilege.

"I had a father I was very close to, and not a day goes by where I don't think about him," Brant says. "He was a great man. And he always told me that what you have between your ears is all you've got. And never to count on anything other than that, because it will lead to misfortune. And I try to tell the same thing to my kids."

Sure enough, while his twin passions plainly require uncommon funds, both his art collection and his racing stable measure resources of quite another kind, if equally rare. For both answer the same kind of inner need.



Peter Brant attends the "Warhol" Exhibition Press Conference and Press Preview at Palazzo Reale in Milan, Italy | Getty Images

There's No Cooling Off Sub-Zero's Jim Bakke

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 11:27 am | [Back to: Shared News](#)

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By Bill Finley

Owner Jim Bakke's experience in horse racing has been fairly typical. He started off with a small stable, didn't have much success and waited for his day to come. It looks like he's not going to have to wait any longer.

Along with Gerald Isbister, Bakke is the co-owner of "TDN Rising Star" Jack Christopher (Munnings), a Chad Brown-trained colt who brought down the house Saturday with an 8 3/4-length maiden win at Saratoga. Jack Christopher, who is named for Bakke's six-month-old grandson, will head to the GI Champagne S., which could be a springboard to the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. Bakke is also the owner of Girl With a Dream (Practical Joke). She broke her maiden impressively on July 24 at Ellis Park and will make her next start in Sunday's GI Spinaway S. for trainer Brad Cox. The hope is that she will earn her way to the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

Jack Christopher earned a 92 Beyer figure, just one point less than the leader among 2-year-olds, Big City Lights (Mr. Big).



Jim Bakke | Subzero-Wolf

Major Boost to Farr-Sighted Program

Monday, October 4, 2021 at 11:27 am | [Back to: Shared News](#)
Updated: October 4, 2021 at 11:27 am

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By Chris McGrath

It is still relatively early days in his Turf adventure. But no matter how much Paul Farr can build on what is fast becoming a pretty serious commitment, he may never experience a more succinct sample of its ups and downs-and how bewilderingly entwined those tend to be-than his debut involvement in a graded stakes.

That came just a few days ago, in the GIII Iroquois S. at Churchill: the first chance to bank starting points for a certain race staged on the same track next May. Time to start dreaming. Unfortunately Magnolia Midnight (Midnight Storm), a Colonial Downs maiden winner owned in partnership by his Titledown Racing Stables, dropped right out to finish last behind Major General (Constitution). On the other hand, the exciting winner happens to be the first foal out of an unraced daughter of Uncle Mo, No Mo Lemons, Farr had acquired from the estate of the late Gerry Dilger for just \$70,000 at Keeneland last November.



Major General (white bridle, inside) gets up in the Iroquois | Coady

RACING IS THEIR PASSION

These people have two things in common: **Racing is their passion**, and the TDN helps them to enjoy it—and profit from it. They are entrepreneurs and businesspeople, constantly investing in new projects, **actively engaged in the business of amassing wealth**, and requiring financing.



"I understand why people spend millions of dollars chasing this dream." Former Philadelphia Phillies outfielder Jayson Werth is a new investor in the sport, winning the 2024 Belmont Stakes with his horse Dornoch.



UHNWIs

The TDN's core audience is made up of ultra-high-net worth individuals, like Leucadia Asset Management's **Sol Kumin** (above), who primarily invests in successful horses already racing, purchasing pieces of them to enjoy in partnership groups made up of his friends. Florida Panthers' owner Vinnie Viola and BodyArmor's Mike Repole spend tens of millions in the sport annually.

ANNUAL METRICS

AUDIENCE WEB METRICS:

- Annual users: > 4.7 Million
- Daily e-mail subscribers: >17,000
- Daily Average downloads: >5,250
- Daily Average video streams: 30,000
- Homepage videos: 20+ million

HOW READERS ACCESS THE TDN:

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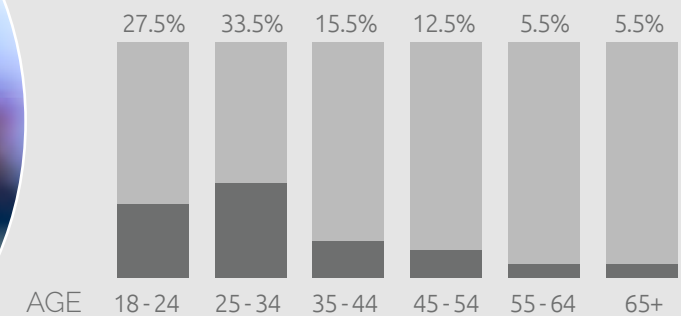
Hockey player Erik Johnson



Theory Founder Andrew Rosen

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Sale-topping Into Mischief colt | Fasig-Tipton

by Jessica Martini & Christina Bossinakis

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY - The record-smashing Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale steam rolled to its conclusion Tuesday night, setting highwater marks for every metric and culminating with a head-turning gross of \$100,715,000. At the close of business, 160 yearlings had sold for an average of \$629,469 and median of \$450,000—numbers which dwarfed records set just last year when 154 yearlings grossed \$82,160,000 for an average of \$533,506 and a median of \$425,000. It was the third straight year of across-the-board statistical records at the Saratoga sale.

The buy-back rate following Monday's first session of the auction was a sparkling 12.5%, but even that figure improved during Tuesday's blockbuster session. With just 21 of 181 offered yearlings failing to meet their reserves, the cumulative buy-back rate for the auction was 11.6%.

"It was a remarkable two days," said Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. "We've been selling at Saratoga for 104 years, so it's not an overnight sensation. It's a culmination of many, many years of hard work and sweat."

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KEENELAND CATALOGS 4,686 YEARLINGS FOR 2025 SEPTEMBER SALE

The 2025 Keeneland September Yearling Sale has cataloged 4,686 horses to be offered over 12 sessions from Monday, Sept. 8 through Saturday, Sept. 20, Keeneland announced Tuesday. [Click here](#) for the online catalogue of yearlings. Print catalogues are scheduled to start arriving in the mail the week of Aug. 18.

Last year, the September Sale was the world's highest-grossing Thoroughbred auction in history with more than \$428 million in sales for 2,894 horses. A total of 36 yearlings sold for \$1 million or more, marking the highest number since 2006. The average of \$147,926 and the median of \$70,000 both were records.

"The September Sale is the largest and most important auction of its kind, and Keeneland feels a great responsibility to ensure its success," said Keeneland President and CEO Shannon Arvin.

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IN TDN EUROPE TODAY

CUNNINGHAM REMAINS BULLISH ON RAJASINGHE AFTER TWO TRIBES'S SUCCESS

Brian Sheerin chats with owner-breeder Phil Cunningham regarding his sire Rajasinghe (Ire), who was the sire of **Two Tribes** (GB), the winner of the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood.



The inside front cover (below) is the most premium placement we offer by size and position, appearing on page 2 in that day's downloadable PDF, and as the inside front cover when the TDN is printed at Thoroughbred sales and auctions around the country (approximately 150 days per year in the U.S.)

Congratulations to his breeder, Cove Springs, LLC



MY OH MY!

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Among new sophomore sires, **only Yaupon is outpointing the two-time Eclipse Champion** for Stakes winners and earnings.

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The 1/6 front page is currently available on Tuesdays.

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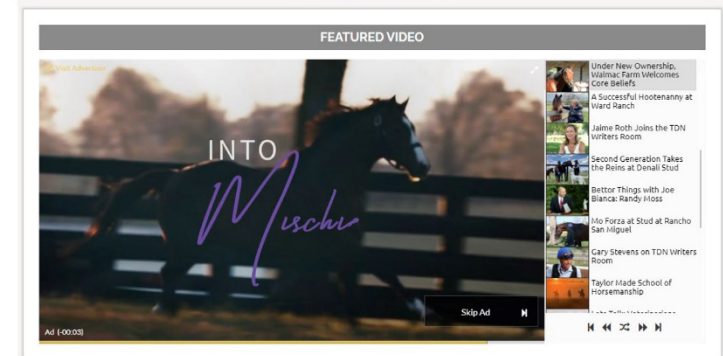
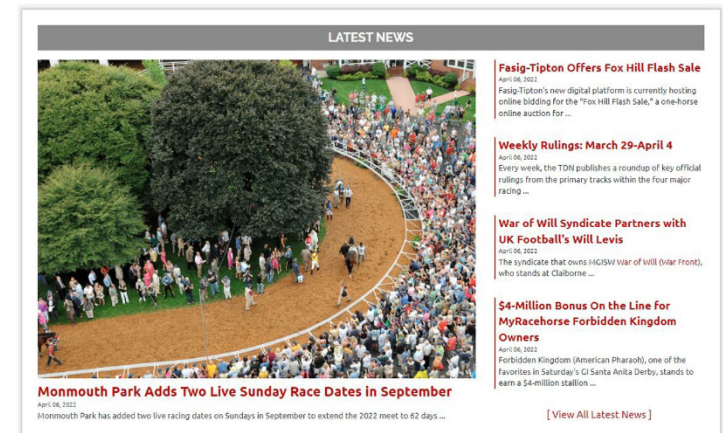
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TDN SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT

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TDN's sponsored social media content offers clients an opportunity to promote stallions, consignments/sale offerings, farms and facilities, real estate, local businesses, events and more to an audience that spans throughout the industry and beyond it. All content is filmed, produced, and edited by the TDN team and distributed across TDN's social platforms.

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All posts will include tagging/collaborating with the client account, along with any applicable links. Client will receive all footage/photos.

As our online following continuously grows, we are proud to offer our clients expanded advertising opportunities on all of TDN's social media platforms. For our clients, this guarantees more views and as a result, enhanced exposure and increased engagement.

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The TDN also creates bespoke video content for advertisers, which runs as sponsored content in our editorial sections, and which also spends a month on our sponsored video section. Advertisers can tell their story with a three-minute video that blends seamlessly into our content.

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EMAIL & INTERSTITIAL ADS

The email/interstitial ad (below) is contained in each of the 22,000 emails we send out each day, and also displays onscreen while readers wait for their papers to download.

The ad features the TDN logo with a horse icon and the text "THOROUGHBRED DAILY NEWS". Below this is a red button that says "Click here to download today's edition at thetdn.com". The main part of the ad is a blue box with the text "Kentucky Winter Mixed" in large white letters, followed by "FEBRUARY 3-4, 2025 | LEXINGTON, KY". Below this is a yellow banner that says "STILL ACCEPTING ENTRIES". At the bottom is a blue button that says "ENTER NOW!" next to the Fasig-Tipton logo.

This is a smaller version of the email/interstitial ad shown above, overlaid on a blurred background of the TDN website. It includes the same text and buttons: "Kentucky Winter Mixed", "FEBRUARY 3-4, 2025 | LEXINGTON, KY", "STILL ACCEPTING ENTRIES", and "ENTER NOW!" with the Fasig-Tipton logo.

LEADERBOARD ADS

As the most prominent ad on the TDN homepage, the expandable leaderboard (below) is the first thing people see when they come to the site, offering a large version on first view, and a closed version on subsequent views, as well as a mobile version.

The image shows two versions of the TDN homepage. The top version is a large, expandable leaderboard ad titled "2021 LEADING SIRE". It features a background image of a stone barn and a table of sires. The table has columns for Rank, Sire, and SWs. The sires listed are: 1. Into Mischief (28 SWs), 2. MUNNINGS (18 SWs), 3. Curlin (18 SWs), 4. Medaglia d'Oro (16 SWs), 5. AMERICAN PHAROAH (14 SWs), 6. Ghostzapper (14 SWs), 7. UNCLE MO (13 SWs), and 8. Tapit (13 SWs). The bottom version of the homepage shows a smaller, closed version of the leaderboard ad, which is titled "COOLMORE AMERICA PROVEN SIRE!" and includes a "CLICK FOR MORE" button.

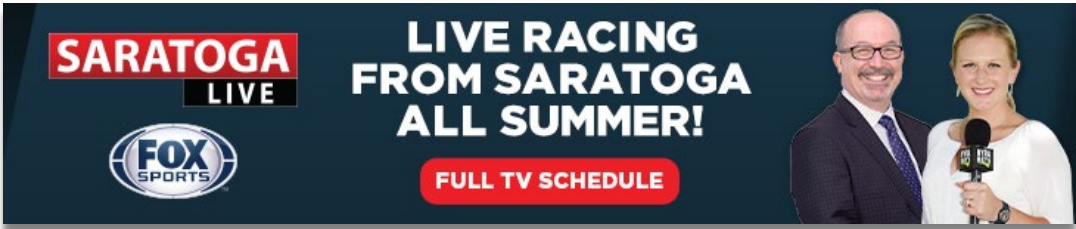
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- Every story in the PDF edition of the TDN is also posted on our website.
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- They are served on a rotation, with each advertiser displayed in the next view in the queue.
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TDN via auth.ccsend.com to me 12:25 PM (2 hours ago) ☆ ↶ ⋮

[Santa Anita Named Host of 2023 Breeders' Cup](#)

Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, California, will host the 2023 Breeders' Cup World Championships for a record 11th time. The 40th renewal of the Breeders' Cup will take place Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4. [To read this entire TDN News Story, [click here](#).]

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DIGITAL/ALERT ADS	300px x 600px AND 728px x 150px	JPG or GIF, 72dpi, no bleed	\$3,000/month
STALLION LINKS	---	---	\$600/year per stallion

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See rate card for complete size options, specific dimensions and pricing.

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Medina Spirit cont.

In a very small percentage of cases, the horse in question suffers a rupture of the aorta or other large vessel, which will be evident during the necropsy examination. Once the necropsy examination is complete, the findings will be sent to a panel who will conduct their own post-mortem review of the fatality, looking at the broader circumstances leading up to the catastrophic injury, like the horse's regulatory history. Examples of these review panels' final reports can be read [here](#).

Between 2011 and 2013, seven Bob Baffert-trained horses died suddenly during training or racing. A subsequent [CHRB](#) report found that Baffert-trained horses during that period were significantly more likely to die from sudden death than non-Baffert-trained horses, calling the difference "dramatic." The report noted that the horses had been administered thyroxine—a thyroid hormone used to treat hypothyroid conditions—and that use of thyroxine is "concerning in horses with suspected cardiac failure."

However, because the drug had been administered to all horses in Baffert's care at that time, the use of thyroxine "does not explain why all the fatalities occurred," the report found.

Baffert subsequently explained that he had stopped using the drug.

Predictably, PETA issued a statement Monday lashing out at the sport and urged that Baffert be banned.

"It's premature to say that Medina Spirit died of a heart attack or what the true cause of his fatal collapse was, given that many of trainer Bob Baffert's horses have suddenly dropped dead," the statement read. "Seven of Baffert's horses died mysteriously during a 16-month period that was suspiciously linked to his reckless and routine habit of administering the powerful hormone thyroxine to horses without thyroid conditions. Baffert has continued to be embroiled in drug controversies since then, including when Medina Spirit tested positive for drugs in the Kentucky Derby. All of Medina Spirit's veterinary records must be seized, and a thorough investigation must be conducted. Baffert's attorneys must not be allowed to control the narrative. PETA urges Santa Anita and Del Mar officials to bar Baffert, pending the outcome of an investigation and a necropsy."

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For the vast majority, in numerical terms, the only way from here is down. As such, the covering stats do not augur terribly well for some of those we thought best value. And maddeningly, because these cycles are so self-fulfilling, it's hard to turn things around if you do struggle for early traction. A disappointing first book places a tough burden on its graduates to get you over the hump of the intervening couple of crops, which will tend to be smaller yet. So our faith in one or two, while undiminished, may not obviously yield "value" in the shorter term. If fairly priced now, at least measured by your odds of getting a runner, they are probably going to become better value yet during the next year or two.

At the other end of the spectrum, though the most expensive of the intake, Horse of the Year Authentic covered as many as 229 mares—only one fewer than the busiest stallion in the land, Goldencents. (Both, of course, are sons of Int-Mischief standing alongside their champion sire at Spendthrift.) A number of other

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His first crop, standing fourth by earnings, has matched [Practical Joke](#) and [Connect](#) with five black-type performers (including a GI Adirondack S. runner-up), only from fewer runners. His 19 winners from 57 starters meanwhile represents a similar base ratio, leaving [Classic Empire](#) deficient only in the kind of headline acts that so often make or break a young stallion's career. But he might well have found one of those in Rocket Dawg, who started repaying his \$375,000 yearling tag when impressing on debut for Brad Cox at Churchill last month. A couple of days later the \$550,000 2-year-old, [Classy Edition](#), extended her unbeaten start for Todd Fletcher with a second stakes win.

Those were just a couple of late-season straws in the wind. Having excelled both in the ring and on the track, however, they represent a sample of the kind of stock that could quickly turn round the four consecutive fee cuts suffered by their sire. Over the years, the yearling market has acclaimed eventual duds as routinely as it has underrated sires of real potency. And if [Classic Empire](#) has so far achieved only a modest commercial yield, then his sliding fee has at least maintained sufficient traffic (321 mares across the last three seasons) to keep him in the game as he starts to draw out some exemplary old-school flavors in his pedigree.

Remember how [Classic Empire](#) unseated his rider leaving the gate in the GI Hopeful S.? The opening was gratefully seized by his future studmate [Practical Joke](#), but it was [Classic Empire](#) who regrouped to be champ. Maybe he could yet do something similar now.



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VALUE SIRES: FIRST JUVENILES IN '22

Silver: [MO TOWN](#) (Uncle Mo—Grazie Mille by Bernardini) \$7,500 Ashford

Now here's a guy whose every trajectory is climbing sharply— with the solitary exception of his fee, which is 40% down on his opening \$12,500. Time, in other words, for breeders to catch a rising tide... In 2020, down to \$10,000, he received 108 partners. Last spring, however, came a transformation: encouraged by Uncle Mo's flying start as a sire of sires, no fewer than 204 mares profited from another reduction in his fee (partly, of course, a Covid concession). So whatever Mo Town can do

with his first couple of crops, he is going to be far better placed than most to consolidate.

In the meantime, moreover, Mo Town has made a fine debut at the yearling sales, processing 70 of 78 at an average \$60,250. And his stock is entitled to land running...

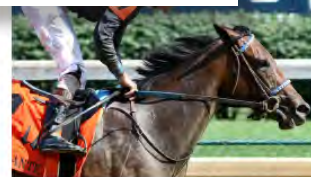
Momentum is exactly what Mo Town has now, at a stage in his career when most rivals are nervously treading water.

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And that was consistent with the dash [Unified](#) had shown in his own career, despite never making the track himself at two. He landed running with a 99 Beyer, clocked 1:47.14 in the GI Peter Pan, and missed the GI Carter H. by just a neck. And he has the physique and pedigree for his first sophomores to stretch that speed, too.

However, the really staggering advance made by [Unified](#) since this time last year is the performance of his second crop at the yearling sales. He sold 39 out of 40 into the ring, an unbelievable ratio, for an average \$66,846—dizzily multiplying a fee that has, unusually enough, remained constant throughout. Remember that stallions are typically flattered by sales statistics, in that their averages "reward" them for failing to sell their least attractive stock. (Sure, you also have to factor in the occasional ambitious reserve for better models—but the principle stands.) Remember also that almost all stallions absorb considerable erosion in yearling values between their first and second crops, yet [Unified](#) elevated his by almost exactly half from \$43,390. In the meantime, he had already turned round the slide so familiar in a young stallion's books.

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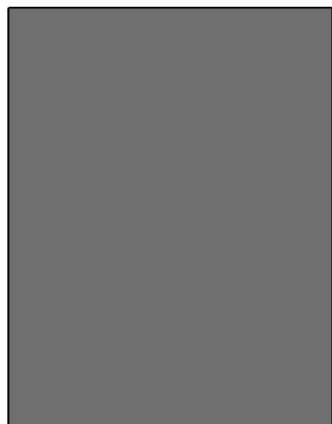
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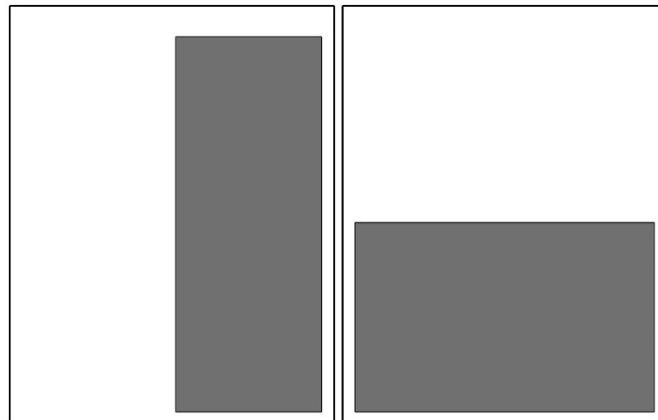
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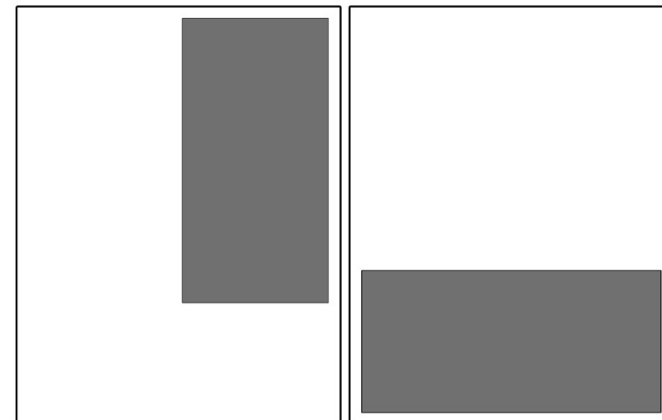
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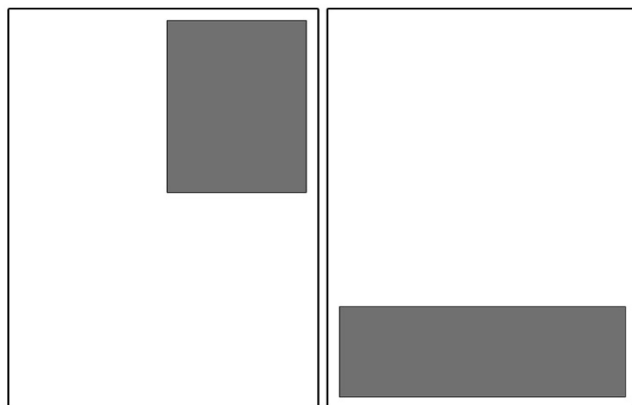
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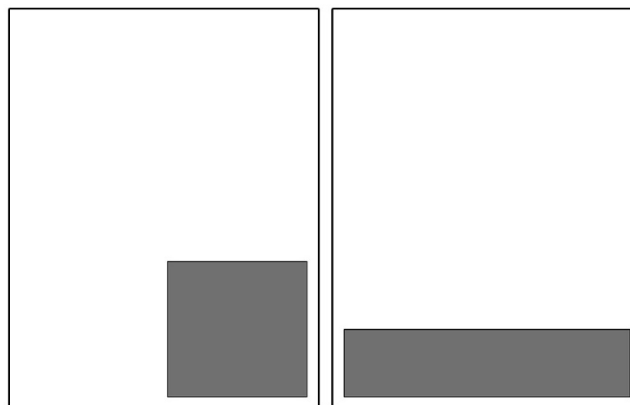
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