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'IT'S SARATOGA PIXIE DUST': THE FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA SALE BUZZING AFTER STAR-FILLED SATURDAY



Fasig-Tipton photo

by Christina Bossinakis

A stroll through the Fasig-Tipton sales grounds in Saratoga Springs on Sunday morning was all one needed to be rest assured that there is plenty of interest, and one hopes by extension plenty of money, for high-quality horse flesh.

Many of the same faces that were seen around Saratoga Race Course a day earlier to enjoy a stacked 14-race card headed by the GI Whitney Stakes could also be found right across the road in advance of Fasig-Tipton's 105th renewal of the Saratoga Sale, which begins its two-day run at the Humphrey S. Finney Pavilion Monday evening. Both sessions begin at 6:30 p.m.

Todd Pletcher, fresh off a record-setting day on Saturday when he bagged his 6,000th career win, was seen diligently looking at yearlings while fellow Hall of Famer Bob Baffert, who seemed a bit more low-key than his East Coast counterpart, was also observed with several key players in the bloodstock world, including owner Amr Zedan and bloodstock agent Donato Lanni.

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SARATOGA NOTEBOOK, PRESENTED BY NYRA BETS: SOVEREIGNTY CLIMBS BACK ATOP THE MOUNTAIN by Tim Wilkin

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – A little after 7:00 Sunday morning, Bill Mott walked down the shedrow of his barn at the Oklahoma Training Track and peered into the stall of his comeback kid, **Sovereignty** (Into Mischief).

"He's sleeping," Mott said with a laugh to a couple of writers.

Sovereignty certainly deserved the shut eye after his rousing performance Saturday in the \$1-million GI Whitney Stakes. The 4 3/4-length win, against an all-star field, put to rest the notion that the 2025 Horse of the Year was all done after starting the year with two straight losses.

The talk now is of how good the 4-year-old Godolphin homebred is and what may await as he heads into his final two races of 2026: the \$1-million GI Jockey Club Gold Cup on opening day at the new Belmont Park on Sept. 18 and the \$7-million GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Keeneland on Oct. 31.

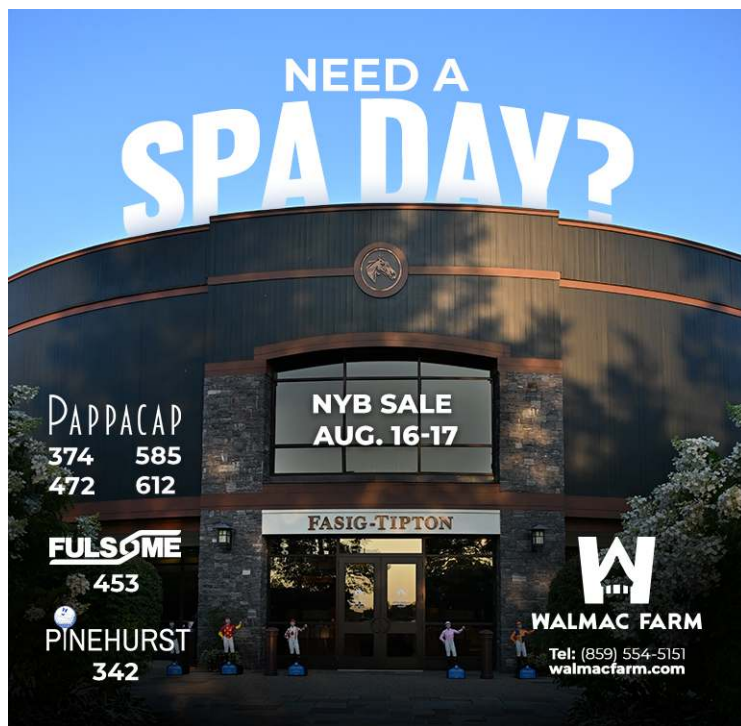
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SUN GODDESS CLAIMS PHOENIX GLORY

Sun Goddess (**Sioux Nation**) ran out an impressive winner of the Keeneland Phoenix Stakes at the Curragh on Sunday to provide Aidan O'Brien with an 18th success in the Group 1 feature.

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Nyquist's latest Saratoga MSW debut winner, Gaudreau, earned an 89 Beyer. That's the second-highest for a two-year-old this year.

Must see yearlings selling now.

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The morning after a gallant runner-up effort in the GI Whitney Stakes at Saratoga Race Course, Nitrogen (Medaglia d'Oro) accepts ample mints and attention from Casse Racing's Samantha Bussanich. | Sarah Andrew

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Irada Ortiz, Jr., who injured his left foot on Saturday following an incident before the eighth race, is day-to-day and hopes to return later in the week.

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The triumvirate teamed up on Day 2 of last year's sale to purchase a \$2.9-million **Gun Runner** colt out of Princesa Carolina (**Tapit**).

"It's Saratoga pixie dust--that is what makes Saratoga such a special place," said Fasig-Tipton President and CEO Boyd Browning, Jr. "If you were at the races [Saturday] and weren't still invigorated and excited by some of the performances that we saw on the racetrack, chances are you're not going to come over here and buy a horse. But if you went to the races, it gave you some bounce in your step. We saw some fabulous horses and some fabulous stories."

Frank Taylor of Taylor Made Sales echoed the sentiment.

"Everybody feels good about it. It was almost like a Breeders' Cup Day. It was just crazy good racing, but all that just gets the energy flowing and creates a good vibe. And everybody's here. So I think it's just going to be a good sale."

After a record-setting 2025 season that saw the sale draw over \$100 million in sales, Browning was cautiously optimistic heading into the 2026 renewal.

"[The atmosphere] feels really, really, really good," he said. "I'm always anxious and I don't want to make any crazy proclamations or predictions, but it feels very, very good so far."

The auction has produced six individual Grade I winners over the past year. Recent sales graduates include Champion **Sierra Leone** (**Gun Runner**), last year's winner of the GI Whitney; Journalism (**Curlin**), who followed up his win in last year's GI Preakness with a victory in the GI Haskell; Clicquot (**Quality Road**), winner of the GI Cotillion; Commandment (Into Mischief), winner of this year's GI Florida Derby; Shred the Gnarl (Into Mischief), who captured the GI Fasig-Tipton La Troienne Stakes on Kentucky Derby day; and Hope Road (**Quality Road**), who claimed the GI Ballerina Stakes at Saratoga.

In addition to success at the Grade I level, Saratoga has produced 10 additional individual graded stakes winners over the last 12 months: **Barnes** (Into Mischief), Call Sign Seven (Speightstown), Final Score (**Not This Time**), Fulleffort (**Liam's Map**), Litmus Test (**Nyquist**), Nafisa (**Quality Road**), Paladin (**Gun Runner**), Perfect Shot (**Gun Runner**), Potente (Into Mischief) and Zany (**American Pharoah**).

"You look on the front of the catalogue, in the back of the catalogue, and you see the quality of sales graduates. And then you open up the catalogue and you see the pedigrees that are in the catalogue this year," said Browning. "And then when you go look at the horses on the grounds, on the end of the shank, they're here for a reason. And they're here for a reason because we've been very fortunate that our consignors and the owners of horses, we get to see a better quality and a higher quality horse every year when we go to the farms for our yearly inspections." **Cont.**

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Fasig-Tipton, cont.

Browning continued: “People have confidence bringing a really good horse here.”

The Saratoga Sale: the Ultimate Litmus Test...

Taylor Made Sales can always be counted on to present a quality group of youngsters in Saratoga. Included among the operation's recent Saratoga graduates is Final Score (**Not This Time**), a two-time graded stakes winner for Repole Stable and Todd Pletcher. Bred by BG Stables, the colt brought \$600,000 in 2024.

In 2025, the operation sold 27 head for a total of \$16,185,000 in sales, with an average of \$599,444. The agency sold a quartet of yearlings for over \$1 million, including the consignment's 2025 topper--a colt by Uncle Mo out of Still There (**Union Rags**)--who brought \$1.8 million from Flying Dutchmen.

As of Sunday afternoon, Taylor Made had approximately 40 head set to sell this week.

Asked what the secret sauce is for selling at the Saratoga Sale, Frank Taylor explained, “This sale is a great sale and you can really sell a horse for a premium, but you've got to check all the boxes. You can't miss on the physical, and you can't miss on the vetting. We try to bring horses up here that have very good walks. Most people get to see them two, three, four times.

“And they have a great walk. They just get more expensive every time they look at them. If they don't have a good walk, they tend to fall off the list.”

Remarking on the activity buzzing around the consignment on Sunday morning, Taylor said, “We keep numbers and it's been trending. We hit the 150 show-per-horse early [Sunday] morning and usually it's not that early. So, I think that shows the volume is probably up 20, 30%.” **Cont.**



F-T Saratoga graduate Litmus Test | Benoit

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Fasig-Tipton, cont.

Also enjoying plenty of action at the barn on Sunday, Machmer Hall Sales heads into the sale with a hot dozen.

"We try to focus on the physicals," said Machmer Hall's Carrie Brogden. "Many people watch them from the side because the way the rings are set up. So everyone's sitting down, watching them from the side, walking from the side. So you have to have a good mover. It would be very hard to have a horse that didn't move or use itself well at this sale."

Highlighting its recent success at the sale, Machmer Hall is responsible for selling homebred Litmus Test (**Nyquist**) for \$875,000 at the 2024 renewal of the sale. He won last season's GII Los Alamitos Futurity and was third in this year's GII Rebel Stakes.

Coming up early on Day 1, Machmer Hall has a colt by Yaupon out of Mimi's Tiz (Tiznow). Offered as Hip 23, the Apr. 10 foal is a member of the Preferred Partners group.

"It seems like every time you turn around, there's some incredible horse running by Yaupon," Brogden said of the Spendthrift stallion. "He's going down really well."

"Essential Quality is also doing really well and we have Hip 71, who is out of Secret Passion (Archarcharch)," she added.

Also selling for Preferred Partners, Machmer Hall presents Hip 139, a colt by first-crop sire Arabian Lion. He is the first foal out of Anna L (Alternation).

"I'm excited by our yearlings by the young stallions," she said.

Freshman Sires Abound

Every year, Fasig-Tipton rolls out a solid string of first-season sires and this year's catalogue is no different. Among the young stallions represented this season: Arabian Lion, **Arcangelo**, **Cody's Wish**, **Elite Power**, **Gunite**, **Loggins**, **Mage** and Taiba.

And while Taylor Made will once again have a strong group of established stallions to roll out this week, including blazing hot stud **Not This Time**, the operation is also high on the young sire power it has in this year's arsenal.

"Everybody's got to find their level and everybody wants a **Not This Time** and an Into Mischief, but a lot of people just can't afford them," explained Taylor. "So they'll fall back into the second tier of horses and sires and a lot of freshmen sires, too. It always amazes me how well these freshmen sires sell. It's almost like people will pay more for hope than they have proof."

Browning was quick to point out the importance of having young, up-and-coming sires in the rotation in addition to the more proven stallion. According to Browning, however, Fasig-Tipton never veers from its prime directive.

"You've got to have a diversity of sire power," Browning explained. "You've got to have young stallions and you've got to have proven stallions." **Cont.**


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“The one thing that we’re not going to forgive on is the physical aspect of a horse. So when a man or woman walks on these sales grounds, the expectation that they have that we’ve fortunately built over the years with them, it’s going to be a good-looking horse.”

It's Stuart's Time...



Steve and Denise Smith and Stuart's Time | Courtesy S & D Smith

It's rare for owners to name a yearling they're going to sell, but sometimes, circumstances just demand it.

Such is the case with hip 112 in the Taylor Made consignment, a colt by **Not This Time** out of Tiny Tina (Paddy O'Prado). The dark bay is named Stuart's Time, after the late Stuart Angus, the subject of **a series of articles in the TDN last year** by friends who wrote in to share their favorite 'Stu moments' after his passing.

Angus, who was the longtime senior Thoroughbred advisor for Taylor Made, passed away Aug. 28, 2025 at the age of 60.

“We met Stuart Angus in 2023 while having dinner at the bar of Giuseppe's restaurant in Lexington,” said the yearling's owners, Steve and Denise Smith, in a statement to the *TDN*.

“After a brief conversation, we realized we had much in

common and thus began a relationship that went from acquaintances to business to a friendship. Stuart was such a kind soul, always quick to share advice and he and Steve bonded over their shared love of Taylor Made Stallion **Not This Time**. In January of 2024, Stuart helped us with a breeding season to Not this Time for one of our mares, Tiny Tina. When the resulting 2025 foal was born, we shared pictures and videos, which Stuart enjoyed. We had learned of Stuart's ongoing illness, and after Stuart came out to the farm to visit the colt, we decided to name him after Stuart with a nod to our shared favorite sire. Thus became Stuart's Time. During the final months of his illness we shared many pictures and videos of the foal, hoping they may have offered a smile or a small reprieve from treatment. Stuart's Time is blossoming into a handsome and athletic colt, who has a guardian angel to accompany him. We know he will make us as well as his namesake proud.”

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“We’re back,” Mott said with a laugh Sunday morning, “the both of us!”

Well, the Hall of Fame trainer has never left, and Sovereignty erased all doubts of his ability eroding by toying with a Whitney field that included Magnitude (**Not This Time**), who defeated Sovereignty in the GI Stephen Foster at Churchill Downs by 5 1/4 lengths at the end of June and White Abarrio (Race Day), who finished two lengths in front of him in the GII Oaklawn Handicap in April. **Cont.**

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And, for good measure, throw in Nitrogen (Medaglia d’Oro), last year’s champion 3-year-old filly, stablemate Baeza (McKinzie), who finished in front of Sovereignty in the Foster and Antiquarian (Preservationist), last year’s winner of the Jockey Club Gold Cup.

When Sovereignty skipped home the easiest of winners in the Whitney, Mott felt the invisible layer of pressure lift off his shoulders.

“Of course,” he said. “I am sure I am no different than anybody else. If the Yankees lost five in a row, I am sure it feels pretty good to come back and win one. We want to win and when you lose, you are frustrated, and you want to get back on the winning path.”

Mott said it would be “pretty hard to deny” Sovereignty being the top older horse in the country right now. He will get his chance to defend that moniker in the 1 1/4-mile Jockey Club Gold Cup when he could run into Japan’s Forever Young (Jpn) (Real Steel {Jpn}).

Forever Young has won 11 of 15 career starts, including the Breeders’ Cup Classic last year, a race Sovereignty missed because of a virus.

“We’re not going to duck anybody,” Mott said. “We are not going to go someplace else because Forever Young is there. He is one of the best horses in the world and rightfully so. He has earned it.”

When it was suggested to Mott that Sovereignty was in that same category, he didn’t hesitate. “Absolutely,” he said.

Stablemate Baeza, owned by C R K Stable and Grandview Equine, was fourth in the Whitney, a length behind Antiquarian. In the three starts he has made for Mott, he has been slow out of the gate in each one.

“He did not run his race,” Mott said. “I have not talked to the connections; I don’t have a plan. If he hadn’t given the three lengths at the start, he might have been third. I thought we

might have been able to run one-two. It didn’t work out.”



Sovereignty peeks out of his stall the morning after the Whitney
Sarah Andrew

Casse Only Has Praise for Nitrogen’s Whitney Effort

On Sunday morning, Hall of Fame trainer Mark Casse couldn’t say enough good things about Nitrogen, the 4-year-old filly who gave the boys all they wanted in the Whitney Stakes.

In the end, last year’s 3-year-old filly champ finished second behind runaway winner Sovereignty, but there was no one hanging their heads at Casse’s barn on the backstretch. **Cont.**

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Major North American Yearling Consignors: Sale Results

Every consignor that offered 500 or more yearlings at Keeneland and Fasig-Tipton from 2020 through 2024 — 13,625 yearlings offered — and what those horses have done on the racetrack through June 6, 2026. Ranked by stakes winners as a share of yearlings sold.

CONSIGNOR	YEARLINGS			OF THE YEARLINGS THAT SOLD					OF ALL OFFERED	
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2 Gainesway	1,205	1,052	57	5.4	121	11.5	66	6.3	5.4	11.0
3 Lane’s End	855	718	37	5.2	77	10.7	38	5.3	5.0	10.1
4 Vinery Sales	1,120	830	42	5.1	69	8.3	23	2.8	4.4	7.8
5 Warrendale Sales	733	603	30	5.0	55	9.1	22	3.6	4.5	9.1
6 Paramount Sales	1,277	1,028	49	4.8	101	9.8	49	4.8	4.7	9.6
7 Machmer Hall Sales	737	616	28	4.5	62	10.1	30	4.9	3.9	9.4
8 Hunter Valley Farm	720	607	27	4.4	54	8.9	25	4.1	4.6	8.8
9 Taylor Made Sales Agency	2,692	2,089	90	4.3	201	9.6	97	4.6	4.4	9.2
10 Legacy Bloodstock	562	462	19	4.1	46	10.0	11	2.4	3.7	10.0
11 Hill ‘n’ Dale Sales Agency	525	429	17	4.0	27	6.3	10	2.3	4.2	6.9
12 St George Sales	538	460	18	3.9	45	9.8	22	4.8	3.9	9.5
13 Denali Stud	876	704	25	3.6	58	8.2	26	3.7	3.3	7.6
14 Four Star Sales	932	738	18	2.4	49	6.6	18	2.4	2.4	6.4
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Spendthrift Farm's undefeated colt won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1), Claiborne Breeders' Futurity (G1) and Hopeful S. (G1) in 2025.



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Purchased by Case Clay Thoroughbred Management, Wathnan Racing's colt won the Florida Derby (G1) and Fountain of Youth S. (G2) in 2026.



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Spendthrift Farm's 3-year-old colt won the Toyota Blue Grass (G1) and Matt Winn S. (G3) in 2026.

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Sartoga Notebook, cont.

"I am proud of her, she did amazing," Casse said. "I have had more congratulations today for running second than I have ever had."



Nitrogen on Sunday morning | Sarah Andrew

Certainly, no disgrace for the filly, who is owned by D J Stable LLC. Her record stands at eight wins, six seconds and three thirds in 17 career starts; eight of her starts (and four of her wins came) on turf.

Casse will stick with his original plan and point his star filly to the \$650,000 GI Spinster Stakes at Keeneland on Oct. 4 and then the Breeders' Cup at the end of October. Last year, she finished second in the GI Distaff.

Despite grabbing her right front ankle at the start of the 1 1/8-mile Whitney, Nitrogen gunned to the lead and kept it until the final furlong where she was overtaken by Sovereignty. She was attempting to be the first filly or mare to win the Whitney since Personal Ensign in 1988.

"I am impressed," Sovereignty's trainer Mott said of Nitrogen, "damn impressed. She battled hard."

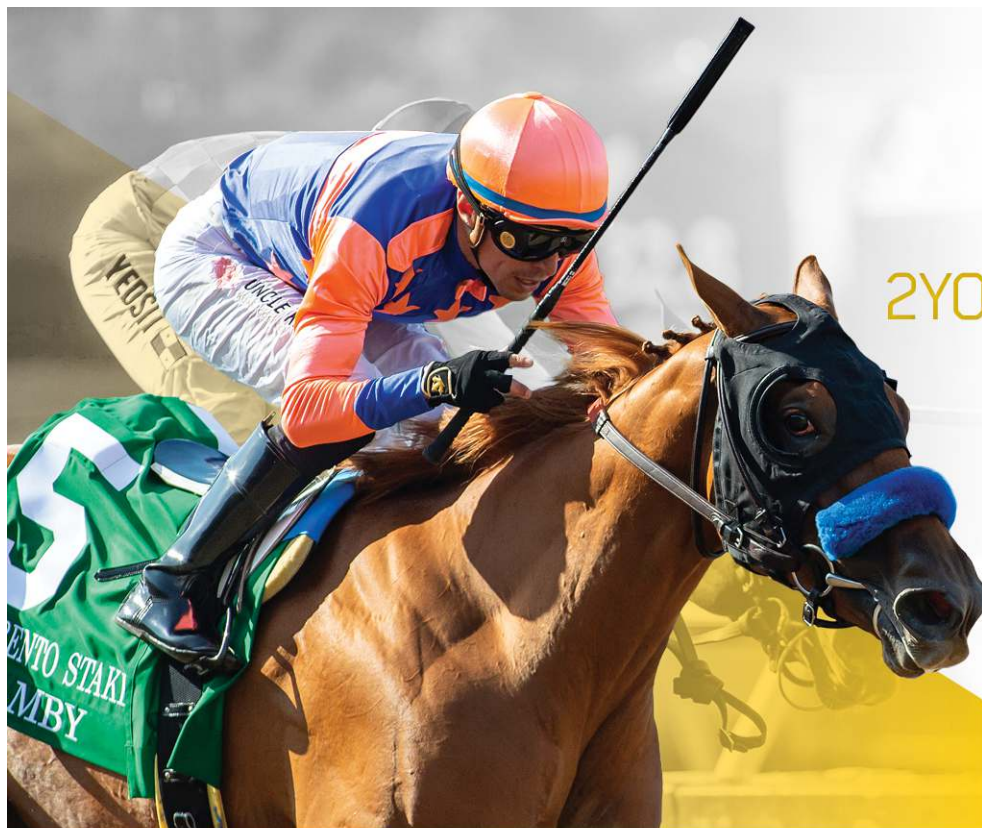
After Nitrogen ran the first quarter in :23.43, the half quickened to :46.27 and then six furlongs in 1:09.65.

"A little faster than she has ever run," Casse said. "Look, Sovereignty was much the best. We aren't taking anything away from him."

Nitrogen, who was ridden by Hall of Famer Johnny Velazquez, has two wins, two seconds and a third in five starts this year.

Miguel Clement says Father Would be 'Very Proud'

As he stood outside his barn at the Oklahoma Training Track Sunday morning, trainer Miguel Clement beamed when he talked about how his father, the late Christophe Clement, would have reacted to what had happened over the weekend. **Cont.**



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Miguel, who took over the barn after his dad passed away in May, won the GI Fourstardave Stakes with 'TDN Rising Star,' presented by Hagyard' **Deterministic** (Liam's Map) on Saturday.

That was one of Christophe Clement's favorite horses along with fellow 'TDN Rising Star' Far Bridge (English Channel).

The day before, the Clement family honored Christophe as he was inducted posthumously into the National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame. Later that afternoon, the Clement barn was in the winner's circle with another 'TDN Rising Star' in **Bottas** (Vekoma), the victor in the GII National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame Stakes.

"Dad being inducted into the Hall of Fame, which is bittersweet; he would have loved to have been a part of it," Miguel Clement said. "The whole CC tribe is here from all parts of the world which is another testament to his character. He

would be very happy and very proud."

Deterministic, owned by St. Elias Stable, Ken Langone, Steven C. Duncker and Vicarage Stable, won his sixth straight race and the Fourstardave for the second straight year.



Miguel Clement greets Deterministic after the Fourstardave

Sarah Andrew

Miguel Clement, no surprise, said that the 5-year-old is the leader of the male turf division and he's not wrong. During the winning streak, Deterministic and jockey Kendrick Carmouche have won six graded stakes races, four of them Grade 1s.

"I am biased," he said. "Can't ask me, but I think he is the clear-cut leader in the division."

Up next could be a trip to Canada for the GI Woodbine Mile on Sept. 12.

After the victory on Saturday, there was a get-together for family to celebrate Deterministic and the Fourstardave. And, of course, after this weekend, a lot of thinking about Christophe Clement. **Cont.**



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Breeder: George Strawbridge Jr.



Sartoga Notebook, cont.

"He definitely would have loved this weekend," Miguel Clement said. "He would have had a party for the ages. Mine was very tame in comparison to what he would have done. First thing this (Sunday) morning, I was already here. Dad's parties, I don't think many people would have been here first thing in the morning. Would have been a lot of Rosé, trust me."

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THE TRIPLE CROWN IS A MESS: CAN WE PLEASE FIX IT

The Week in Review, by Bill Finley

For years, it was clear to most that something needed to be done to revitalize the Triple Crown. With four of the last six GI Kentucky Derby winners, including the last two, passing on the GI Preakness Stakes, the Triple Crown was starting to lose its importance. That was a major problem for the sport. The Triple Crown was the game's most historic series and resonated with the general public like nothing else. It was, quite simply, the best thing that racing had.



First time by the stands in the 2026 Preakness | Sarah Andrew

Last week, there were finally changes made to the picture when it came to the upper-echelon 3-year-old males. First came the announcement that Churchill Downs and NYRA had put together the Thoroughbred Championship Series, a six-race series that will begin next year with the Kentucky Derby and end with a yet-to-be-named championship race at Churchill Downs in September. In some respects, it could be a good thing for the sport. The series will include point standings, a bonus and should keep interest alive in racing's marquee division for some five months. But there was a glaring omission to the series in that it did not include the Preakness, leaving the middle jewel of the Triple Crown to fend for itself.

Two days later, Maryland Governor Wes Moore announced that the Preakness would be moved eight days, to a Sunday, and run 22 days after the Derby.

"We are going to move it back to be able to ensure that the winner of the Kentucky Derby will then be prepared to compete in the second leg of the Triple Crown because the Triple Crown will continue and it will continue to be Preakness," Moore said.

I'm not sure an extra eight days is enough to attract Derby horses to the Preakness. We're in an era where most trainers want at least four weeks between races, if not five. But what if, because of the extra time, the Derby winner and a slew of Derby horses do decide to run back in the Preakness? They would then be asked to run back in just 13 days in a mile-and-a-half race in the GI Belmont Stakes. It's very hard to see anyone doing that. This is not 1982 when the great Woody Stephens ran Conquistador Cielo back in the Belmont just five days after he won the GI Metropolitan Handicap. **Cont.**



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The Week in Review, cont.

The bottom line is that, with the way the Triple Crown is now structured, it is very hard to see any horses running in all three legs of the series. This terribly dysfunctional sport has taken a bad situation with the Triple Crown and just made it worse. Unless changes are made, we may never see a Triple Crown winner again.

Maybe it's too late to alter the 2027 schedule, but something has to give. The top executives from Churchill Downs, Inc., the Maryland Jockey Club, NYRA, Fox and NBC, need to lock themselves in a room and not leave until they have come up with a viable solution.

What makes the most sense is to move the Belmont back another two weeks so that it is run four weeks after the Preakness. That would create a series where there are somewhat sensible gaps between the three races, three weeks from the Derby to the Preakness and four weeks from the Preakness to the Belmont. If NYRA won't move the race by two weeks, how about one? Why on earth not?

The stumbling block to this has always been NYRA. Why is the organization being so stubborn and so reluctant to move the Belmont Stakes? It is true that even without a Triple Crown on the line, Belmont day is supercharged, maybe the single best day of racing outside of Breeders' Cup Saturday. And moving the Belmont could cause problems for the marquee 3-year-old races at Saratoga, the GII Jim Dandy Stakes and the GI Travers Stakes and interfere with the GIII Matt Winn Stakes, which is part of the Thoroughbred Championship Series.

But aren't these small prices to pay for saving the Triple Crown? This should be non-negotiable.

Sovereignty Is Back

It was good to see Sovereignty (Into Mischief) rebound in a big way and thrash his rivals in the GI Whitney Stakes. He was racing's biggest star in 2025, but it was fair to ask if he had lost something off his fastball after he lost his first two starts of the year. Now, if things break his way in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup, where he will face Forever Young (Jpn) (Real Steel {Jpn}), and the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, he should win back-to-back Horse of the Year titles. That would be a good thing for the sport.

There was one notable difference in his performance Saturday at Saratoga. He dropped back to sixth early, seven lengths behind the lead of Nitrogen (Medaglia d'Oro). That was notably different from his performances in the GII Oaklawn Handicap, where he set the early pace, and the GI Stephen Foster, where he was just 2 1/2 lengths off the pace in the first call. Perhaps this is how he wants to be ridden, not rushed, able to settle into stride before unleashing his big kick. ***Cont.***



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The Week in Review, cont.



Sovereignty wins Saturday's GI Whitney Stakes | Sarah Andrew

As for his stablemate, Baeza (**McKinzie**), he must be giving trainer Bill Mott fits. He is a talented horse, but just can't get out of the gate. Once again, he hesitated at the start before closing for a well-beaten fourth. Mott took the step of placing padding on either side of Baeza as well as in the back in the starting gate. The pads are known as quarter pads. They obviously didn't help.

The other story to come out of the Whitney was the strong second-place showing by the filly, Nitrogen. Mark Casse took a big chance running her not only against males but against may have been the deepest group of older horses assembled this year. That she finished second, and ahead of stars like Magnitude (**Not This Time**), White Abarrio (Race Day) and Baeza speaks to her quality. In defeat, she improved her resume and took a step toward a second straight Eclipse Award.

Kudos to Todd Pletcher



Todd Pletcher wins his 6,000th race Saturday | Sarah Andrew

Congratulations to Hall of Famer Todd Pletcher, who won his 6,000th race when Versailles Road (**Quality Road**) won the 14th race at Saratoga Saturday. From the time he debuted as a trainer, after a stint as Wayne Lukas's top assistant, in 1996, he has proven to be one of the best trainers the sport has ever seen. Few top trainers are as versatile. He wins with every type of horse, grass, dirt, 2-year-olds, 3-year-olds, older horses.

Plus, he is a class act who quietly goes about his business.

Pletcher will never catch Steve Asmussen, who has 11,297 victories. He may not catch Dale Baird (9,445 career wins) either. But he is just 59 and no doubt will enjoy several more years at the top of the sport and third-place on the all-time list is well within his reach.

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IRAD ORTIZ OFF MOUNTS SUNDAY, AGENT HOPES FOR QUICK RETURN

by Tim Wilkin

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. - Irad Ortiz, Jr., the four-time defending jockey champion at Saratoga, will not ride on Sunday after injuring his left foot on Saturday.

Steve Rushing, Ortiz's agent, said the 33-year-old rider is day-to-day following the incident before the eighth race Saturday.

"I talked to him this morning and he's doing good," Rushing said Sunday morning at the Oklahoma Training Track.

"Hopefully, he won't be out long."

Ortiz was injured before the eighth race Saturday when his mount, second-time starter And The Runner Is (**Oscar Performance**) acted up in the post parade and Ortiz rolled his left foot. The 2-year-old colt was scratched, and Ortiz was on his way to Saratoga Hospital.

Originally, it was feared that Ortiz had broken his ankle but that was not the case. An X-ray was taken but it could not be determined what the severity of the injury was to his foot because of the swelling.

Ortiz saw an orthopedic specialist on Sunday, and the diagnosis was no break.

"They just want to see after the swelling in the foot goes down," Rushing said. "It's all about pain tolerance. We'll be off Sunday, and we'll see how it goes the next three days."

Rushing is hopeful Ortiz could return on Wednesday.

Heading into Sunday's card--the 25th day of the 46-day meet (but the 24th day of racing because one day was cancelled due to weather), Ortiz was in fourth place in the jockey standings with 30 victories.

Flavien Prat and Irad's brother Jose were tied for the lead with 38 wins and Manny Franco was in third with 34 wins. **Cont.**

Irad Ortiz, Jr., cont.

Irad Ortiz, Jr. early on Saturday's card | Tod Marks

Irad Ortiz missed the first six days of the meet due to a suspension and one day riding out of town. He quickly got back into contention and rode six winners on July 26.

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INDIANA-BRED HOLMBY WINS SORRENTO, MARKS FIRST GRADED WINNER FOR FRESHMAN CORNICHE

by Jill Williams

As a \$55,000 Indiana-bred yearling sourced from the Fasig-Tipton July sale, she may have been a bargain compared to the outsized number of seven-figure Kentucky-bred yearlings that usually grace Bob Baffert's shedrow, but **Holmby** (**Corniche**) sure looked like a million bucks in winning Sunday's GII Sorrento Stakes at Del Mar. The By Talla Racing LLC runner also became the first graded winner for first-crop sire **Corniche** (by **Quality Road**).

Only one filly in the Sorrento came into the race with stakes experience and it was formidable: Three Chimneys Farm's homebred **Ruiva** (**Munnings**) broke her maiden at Churchill by seven lengths with an 83 Beyer Speed Figure for trainer Wesley Ward, then shipped to Royal Ascot and finished third against 26 opponents in the G2 Queen Mary Stakes June 17. It would be another month before Holmby would even see the starting gate herself in the afternoon. The chestnut debuted July 18 going five furlongs at Del Mar, chasing between horses before pulling clear two furlongs from home to finish 2 1/4 lengths the best with a 74 Beyer. Holmby was the lone filly in the Sorrento with experience over Del Mar's surface.

Holmby broke smoothly Sunday, but there was no outfooting Ruiva early, although **Belleza Latina** (**Maclean's Music**) briefly

tried to go with her and Holmby tracked from third as Ruiva set a :21.91 quarter. Juan Hernandez, aboard the winner, advanced going into the turn to loom menacingly outside of Ruiva and the two quickly drew four lengths--then six lengths--clear of the rest. Ruiva was game as they come and held her spot on the inside as Holmby tried gallantly to run her down. It was a ding-dong battle with neither willing to relent, but finally, in the last strides, Holmby got her neck in front to outfinish Ruiva. **Crazy Hot Mess** (Pinehurst) finished another 7 1/2 lengths back in third.

"She brought her game today," said Hernandez. "We were tracking that other filly [Ruiva] and I know how good she is. I rode her twice [in both her previous starts]. My horse is improving, though. She did the tracking, then we put it in motion coming for home. She's improving; getting better each time."



Holmby outfinishes Ruiva | Benoit

Baffert, who was winning the Sorrento for the 10th time and for the third year in a row, agreed: "She was very game. I like the way she sat off the pace and ran down a really nice filly. I'm excited for [owner] Michael Talla. She'll go on now to the Debutante. It was fun, just a great weekend."

The GI Del Mar Debutante Stakes is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 5. In addition to the Sorrento, Baffert's weekend also netted a win in the GI Test Stakes at Saratoga with 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Explora (**Blame**) and a GIII Best Pal Stakes victory at Del Mar with another 'TDN Rising Star' in Hughes (Into Mischief). Hernandez also rode Hughes for Baffert.

Pedigree Notes:

Coolmore America's freshman sire **Corniche** got the first graded winner of his nascent sire career with Holmby's Sorrento victory. In fact, he's the first North American freshman sire to score a graded winner this year. **Cont.**

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Sorrento, cont.

He was already one of five first-crop stallions with a black-type winner when his 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Fanshell Beach won the Riverside Rush Stakes at Ellis Park Aug. 1. A 'TDN Rising Star' himself, **Corniche** was named champion 2-year-old colt in 2021, the same year he won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile and the GI **American Pharoah** Stakes.

Out of a Lemon Drop Kid mare, Holmby is the 134th stakes winner by that late Belmont Stakes winner as a broodmare sire. The winning Candida H., who hails from the same female family as GISW and sire Include (Broad Brush), was sold to Brad Boyer for \$35,000 at the 2023 Keeneland November sale with Holmby in utero. The mare has not produced a live foal since Holmby's birth, but has been bred to **Raging Torrent** for 2027.

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Owner Michael Talla | Benoit

Sunday, Del Mar

SORRENTO S.-GIII, \$150,500, Del Mar, 8-9, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.73, ft. 1--**HOLMBY**, 123, f, 2, by **Corniche**



1st Dam: Candida H. (SW, \$236,347), by Lemon Drop Kid

2nd Dam: Magical Broad, by Broad Brush

3rd Dam: Illeria, by Stop the Music

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. (\$28,000 Wlg '24 KEENOV; \$55,000 Ylg '25 FTKJUL). O-By Talla Racing LLC; B-40 Acre Farm, LLC (IN); T-Bob Baffert; J-Juan J. Hernandez. \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$150,000.

*1st graded winner for freshman sire (by **Quality Road**).

Werk Nick Rating: A+.

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2--**Ruiva**, 123, f, 2, **Munnings**--Minha Paixao, by **Curlin**. O/B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (KY); T-Wesley A. Ward. \$30,000.

3--**Crazy Hot Mess**, 123, f, 2, Pinehurst--Pure Moon, by Malibu Moon. **1ST BLACK TYPE, 1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** (\$15,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP). O-Michael McMillan and Raymond C. Bryner; B-Erick Alexander Torres (KY); T-Peter Miller. \$18,000.

Margins: NK, 7HF, 3HF. Odds: 0.80, 1.60, 11.70.

Also Ran: Dash, Blockade, Belleza Latina.

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JOHN THE BEER MAN RE-RALLIES, OVERCOMES OBJECTION TO WIN TROY

by Jill Williams

Michael Caruso and Michael Dubb's **John the Beer Man** (More Than Ready), who set the pace in the GI Jaipur Stakes before finishing third in his first stakes attempt June 6, returned to win Sunday's GI Troy Stakes at Saratoga after overcoming trouble in the stretch drive. He finished a head the best after setting all the pace, but his connections had to sweat out both a stewards' inquiry and a claim of foul. In the end, he retained the victory, while the runner-up **Waralo** (**War Dancer**) was demoted to third and the third-place finisher, **Doncho** (Mo Town), was moved up to second.

"It was a tough inquiry and a little scary there," said winning trainer Rob Atras, "but I think we were good. I'm really thrilled with this horse. What a Godsend." **Cont.**



John the Beer Man (right) in a bumpy stretch drive | Sarah Andrew

Troy, cont.

After a smooth break for the whole field, John the Beer Man blazed through :21.28 and :43.50 fractions before Waralo, a winner of five of his last seven, and Doncho—who holds the North American record of :59.75 for 5 1/2 furlongs on turf, set last August at Ellis Park—drew within striking distance entering the lane. Waralo actually got the advantage briefly from the outside as Doncho simultaneously dove for the hole between the two. The trio engaged in a significant amount of bumping as John the Beer Man re-engaged to gut out the victory by a head, only for the stewards to take a long look at the stretch drive. John the Beer Man retained his win, while Waralo was disqualified and Doncho was moved up. No one else factored in the top three from start to finish.



The Troy winner's circle | Sarah Andrew

"It was a little bumpy," said John the Beer Man's pilot Kendrick Carmouche. "I thought I kept a straight path because I was in front and they came to me and bumped me. As you can see, once I pulled my horse off of them, he accelerated again, so right then and there, you know it wasn't my fault, it was just race riding a little. It happens."

The lightly raced John the Beer Man, a \$160,000 Keeneland September yearling, returned to the races in March after nearly two years away. He broke his maiden at 1 1/16 miles over Aqueduct's turf course for Chad Brown in 2024, then went to the sidelines for 22 months and reappeared in March in Atras's barn. Atras re-imagined John the Beer Man as a sprinter and has been rewarded with three wins and the Jaipur third in four starts for the gelding since his return. John the Beer Man got the Troy's 5 1/2 furlongs in 100.97.

The Troy winner is named for John Soler, a friend of the owners. "I met Mike [Dubb] when I was 13 years old at wrestling camp," he said. "This guy [Michael Caruso] is a three-time national champion and we've been friends ever since. It's such

an honor to be part of this and the fact that they named the horse after me."

Pedigree Notes:

The late More Than Ready, who died in 2022 at age 25, added the 110th graded winner and 237th black-type winner to his remarkable dual hemisphere sire career with John the Beer Man's victory in the Troy. Canadian champion and GISW Say the Word, Venezuelan champion An Serafini (Ven), and MGISW Verazano are among the other half-dozen More Than Ready stakes winners out of Giant's Causeway mares, just as John the Beer Man is.

Trophy Wife, the Troy winner's dam, is a daughter of 2005 GI Breeders' Cup Distaff winner Pleasant Home (Seeking the Gold). Among the latter's descendants are MGISW Guarana (Ghostzapper), who sold for \$4.4 million at the 2021 Fasig-Tipton November sale, and MGSW Cornucopian (Into Mischief), a \$1.1-million Keeneland September yearling who passed away last month after sustaining an injury in the GI Bing Crosby Stakes. Other members of the family include MGISWs Point of Entry (Dynaformer) and Pine Island (Arch). Trophy Wife has a yearling filly by **McKinzie**, a 2026 colt by **Tapit**, and was bred back to **McKinzie** for next term.

A third-generation Phipps-bred, John the Beer Man's is a tail-female descendant of the stellar "beauty" line: Maplejinsky, Gold Beauty, Stick to Beauty, and Hail to Beauty.

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Sunday, Saratoga

TROY S.-GII, \$300,000, Saratoga, 8-9, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:00.97, fm.

1--**JOHN THE BEER MAN, 124, g, 5, by More Than Ready**

1st Dam: Trophy Wife, by Giant's Causeway

2nd Dam: Pleasant Home, by Seeking the Gold

3rd Dam: Our Country Place, by Pleasant Colony

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN. (\$160,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Michael Caruso & Michael Dubb; B-Phipps Stable (KY); T-Rob Atras; J-Kendrick Carmouche. \$165,000.

Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-1, \$373,750. **Werk Nick Rating: C.**

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2--**Doncho**, 124, g, 5, Mo Town--Sassy Redhead, by Henny Hughes. **1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** (\$12,000 RNA Ylg '22 KEEJAN; \$32,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP; \$72,000 2yo '23 OBSOPN). O-JAL Racing; B-Susan Young (KY); T-Michelle Lovell. \$60,000.

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3--**Waralo**, 124, g, 7, **War Dancer**--I Drink Alone, by Intidab. **1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** (\$40,000 Ylg '20 OBSWIN). O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Casey Newick LLC (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart. \$36,000.

Margins: HD, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 3.46, 6.88, 14.48.

Also Ran: Twenty Six Black, Coppola, Dancing Buck, Works for Me, Rezasrolex. Scratched: Determined Kingdom.

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JOSEPH WEIGHS OPTIONS FOR WHITE ABARRIO AFTER DISAPPOINTING WHITNEY

C Two Racing Stable, Gary Barber and La Milagrosa Stable's **White Abarrio** (Race Day), who finished last-of-seven in Saturday's GI Whitney Stakes at Saratoga, will be evaluated further before any decisions are made, according to trainer Saffie Joseph, Jr. on Sunday.

A four-time Grade I winner, the 7-year-old won the 2023 Whitney ahead of capturing that year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic for then-trainer Rick Dutrow, Jr.

"He bounced out good, looked good [Sunday] morning, checked out well," Joseph, Jr. said. "Obviously, not the effort we wanted. Never want your horse to run like that. Don't really have a reason, when horses run like that, there is always a reason. Obviously, there's physical, it could be illness, it could be respiratory. We know it's not physical because he checked out fine physically. He did cough a lot after the race, which is abnormal for him, he coughed maybe 15 times, scoped fine, trace mucus, but I can't tell you why he ran poorly."

The track took on some rain around two races earlier and White Abarrio's regular rider Irad Ortiz, Jr. took off his mounts midway through the card with a foot injury and was replaced by Micah Husbands in the Whitney.

"The track did have moisture," Joseph, Jr. said. "We went on the track, it felt wet. It rained, but it looked fine to the eye, so it is so hard to say with horses, that's what makes the game so challenging, right?"

Joseph, Jr. said that nothing is finalized, but after the Whitney misfire and a prior fourth in the GI Stephen Foster at Churchill Downs, White Abarrio is under consideration for retirement. He is 28-11-3-3 with over \$8.5 million in earnings.



White Abarrio before Saturday's GI Whitney Stakes | Sarah Andrew

"He came out safe and healthy, that's the most important thing. He doesn't owe us anything. We're going to give it a few days to see what the future is, but it's not a performance that we wanted, maybe that would be the closing of a stellar career," Joseph, Jr. said. "I think he'll go on in the future to hopefully pass on his genes to become a very good stallion. There's no sense in rushing to a decision. Give it a few days, let everyone talk, put their heads together, let the horse tell us, show us and then decide."

Before his recent defeats, White Abarrio captured the GII Oaklawn Handicap in April over Whitney winner Sovereignty (Into Mischief).

"It was a hard time [yesterday] to watch him not run well. On the drive back from the front side to the barn to check on him, it goes through your head, 'maybe this is it.' It very well could be, but everybody has to get together, put their heads together, and decide what to do," Joseph, Jr. said.

Also trained by Joseph, C Two Racing Stable, Mathis Stable and TCC Stables' **Forged Steel** (Vekoma), who was scratched from the Whitney, will target the GI Pacific Classic on Aug. 22 at Del Mar. The 4-year-old gray worked a solo half-mile in :47.50 on Sunday over the Spa main track.

"He's going to go to the Pacific Classic," Joseph, Jr. confirmed. "Very good work, solo by himself, :48 and change, out in a minute and change, so a very good work. He's on target for the Pacific Classic."

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HUGHES AND EXPLORA, BAFFERT'S DUAL-COAST BIG WINNERS SATURDAY, BOTH 'GOOD' SUNDAY



Baffert accompanies Explora into the winner's circle Saturday
Tod Marks

Saturday's 7 3/4-length GIII Best Pal Stakes winner, unbeaten 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' **Hughes** (Into Mischief), came out of his tour de force "very good," Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert told officials at Del Mar Sunday.

"We love Del Mar," said Baffert after the race, "and now we'll go on to the Futurity."

The GI Futurity Stakes is scheduled for Sept. 6 at seven furlongs. Baffert has won the Futurity for the last five consecutive years and 19 times overall. The win by Hughes in the Best Pal was Baffert's fifth in a row in that race and 12th overall. The Best Pal also marked Baffert's first stakes win at Del Mar this summer and his 191st overall, an all-time record for any trainer.

The 2-year-old Hughes, a \$675,000 Keeneland September yearling and now two-for-two, is owned by Front Row Club, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Stonestreet Stables LLC, Bashor Racing LLC, Albaugh Family Stables, LLC, Robert E. Masterson, Golconda Stable, Waves Edge Capital LLC, and Catherine Donovan.

Baffert spent Saturday at Saratoga, where an hour before the Best Pal, he sent Hughes's stablemate and fellow 'TDN Rising Star' **Explora** (**Blame**) to a five-length win and a career-best 97 Beyer Speed Figure in the GI Test Stakes.

Owned by Michael Pegram, Karl Watson and Paul Weitman, Explora was making her second consecutive start at seven furlongs after running longer earlier in the year.

"She's loved the cutback in distance," said Baffert Sunday as he also complimented the ride Flavien Prat gave her. "She had a

beautiful trip with great options, and he rode her with a lot of confidence. It worked out. She showed up."

Baffert told officials at NYRA that Explora "looked good [Sunday] morning," but he hasn't determined her next target. He said Explora and GISW **Usha** (**Tiz the Law**), who was third in the Johnstone Stakes Wednesday, would stay in New York for a short time.

"I'll leave them both here for about a week and decide what to do," said the trainer. Baffert himself is planning to attend the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Sale on Monday and Tuesday before heading back to Del Mar.

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Sunday, Mountaineer

WEST VIRGINIA DERBY-GIII, \$400,000, Mountaineer Casino & Resort, 8-9, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:52.47, ft.

1--**ZIHNAL**, 118, g, 3, by **Quality Road**

1st Dam: Theodora B. (Ch. Turf Female-Can, GSW-Can, SW & GSP-USA, \$661,009), by Ghostzapper

2nd Dam: Dyna Waltz (GB), by Dynaformer

3rd Dam: Valentine Waltz (Ire), by Be My Guest

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN, 1ST GRADED STAKES WIN.

O-Augustin Stables; B-George Strawbridge (KY); T-Jonathan Thomas; J-John R. Velazquez. \$243,600. Lifetime Record:

5-2-0-0, \$286,241. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.** [Click for the](#)

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2--**Trendsetter**, 124, g, 3, **Modernist**--Suyapa, by Astrology. (\$22,000 Ylg '24 KEEJAN; \$25,000 Ylg '24 EASOCT; \$130,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR; \$725,000 RNA 3yo '26 KEEAPR). O-Davant Latham; B-Circle B Family Farm (KY); T-Ben Colebrook. \$80,000.

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3--**Bull by the Horns**, 124, c, 3, **Essential Quality**--No Sweat, by **Blame**. **1ST GRADED BLACK TYPE.** (\$75,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP). O-Peachtree Stable and Mark Corrado; B-Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables (KY); T-Saffie A. Joseph, Jr. \$40,000.

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West Virginia Derby, cont.

Margins: 6 1/4, 3HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 3.10, 4.80, 12.80.

Also Ran: Maximum Effort, Baytown Dreamer, J J Grey, Wayne's Law, Nehalem.

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George Strawbridge's Augustin Stables homebred Zihnal drew clear by more than a half-dozen lengths for a breakout victory in the GIII West Virginia Derby Sunday at Mountaineer. With blinkers on, the gelding hit traffic early but was undaunted and quickly extricated by John Velazquez to sit a stalking trip. Parked just off the pacesetting Wayne's Law ([Tiz the Law](#)), Zihnal threatened throughout the :23.97 and :48.24 first fractions, but Velazquez knew what was underneath him and bided his time. He gave the good-looking bay his cue on the far turn and the duo advanced to the front effortlessly while Velazquez peeked under his left arm to gauge the competition. He needn't have worried, as Zihnal was already well in front when Velazquez gave him a tap on each side to keep his mind on business. With lengthening strides as he gave every indication he had plenty more in the tank, Zihnal pulled clear to a 6 1/4-length victory over a closing Trendsetter, who has twice placed in graded races since his GIII Lexington Stakes win at Keeneland in April. Bull by the Horns, the Rushaway winner who has been knocking heads with the big boys of the division, was third.

Zihnal took his time kicking off his career, with a debut fourth at Santa Anita in April and a June maiden special weight win at Horseshoe Indianapolis sandwiching his lone poor race when trying the turf at Churchill Downs. He jumped straight from his maiden win into graded company, finishing fourth last out behind 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Leading Change ([Gun Runner](#)) in the GIII Indiana Derby July 11. The West Virginia Derby was only his second black-type attempt.

Pedigree Notes:

The West Virginia Derby winner is the 101st black-type winner--and 53rd graded winner--for Lane's End sire [Quality Road](#), as well as the third of his sire's stakes winners out of a Ghostzapper mare. The latter counts 58 stakes winners as a damsire.

Zihnal's dam, the champion turf female in Canada in 2020, lost her 2026 [Not This Time](#) foal. She has a yearling colt by [Cody's Wish](#) and was bred back to [Oscar Performance](#).

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3	C	Girvin -Kiss for Luck	\$210,000	FTKWNT MIX 2026	JPM Bloodstock	Mill Ridge Sales
5	F	Corniche -Lady Lydie	\$210,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Scott & Evan Dilworth	Denali Stud
12	C	Arcangelo -Livorno	\$80,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Machmer Hall & Crain Group	Machmer Hall Sales
20	C	Cody's Wish -Micro Start	\$425,000	FTK FALL MIX 2025	One Percent Investments	Love's Equine
21	F	Liam's Map -Milan Mischief	\$210,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 26	Red Devil Bloodstock	Darby Dan Farm
22	F	Yaupon-Mimajoon	\$205,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Allen Poindexter	Wynnstays Sales
23	C	Yaupon-Mimi's Tiz	\$130,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Preferred Partners	Machmer Hall Sales
24	C	Gunite -Miss Henny Penny	\$190,000	FTK FALL MIX 2025	Chestnut Valley	Hunter Valley Farm
25	F	Yaupon-Miss Sephora	\$220,000	FTK FALL MIX 2025	Springhouse Farm	Paramount Sales
28	C	Practical Joke -Moanin (Fr)	\$150,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 26	Golden Star Farm	Vinery Sales
30	C	Life Is Good -Most Empressive	\$185,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Royal Colors Racing	Taylor Made Sales
35	F	Mage -Ninetypercentbrynn	\$115,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Sum of The Partners	Bluegrass T'bred Services
37	C	Army Mule -No More Excuses	\$75,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	No Horses No Life	C & S Thoroughbreds
42	F	Forte-Paper Rings	\$225,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	BCW Bloodstock	Wynnstays Sales
57	C	Yaupon-Rise Above	\$200,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Twelve Toes Farm	Taylor Made Sales
64	F	Cody's Wish -Runaway Wife	\$235,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	BCW Bloodstock	Wynnstays Sales
66	C	Taiba-Sassy Beast	\$385,000	FTK FALL MIX 2025	Stardust Ventures	Denali Stud
67	C	Gunite -Sastrugi	\$210,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Polly Bloodstock	Eaton Sales
69	C	Forte-Sea Song	\$300,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Tiago Bloodstock	Eaton Sales
70	C	Life Is Good -Seabrook	\$260,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Terry Stephens/Charlie Allen	Taylor Made Sales
71	C	Essential Quality -Secret Passion	\$135,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Machmer Hall	Machmer Hall Sales
80	F	Elite Power -Shot Gun Pennie	\$250,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Renee Logan	Darby Dan Farm
89	F	Forte-Spirit Dance	\$300,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Brenam Bloodstock	Taylor Made Sales
90	C	Elite Power -Stainless	\$95,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 26	Amaroo Farm	Warrendale Sales
95	F	Twirling Candy -Sushi Empire	\$225,000	KEEJAN ALL AGES 26	Detroit Kentucky Partnership	Gainesway
105	C	Taiba-Taormina	\$180,000	FTK FALL MIX 2025	Blue Sky Bloodstock	Eaton Sales
109	C	Dialed In -Team Sport	\$70,000	KEENOV BRDG 2025	Rexy Bloodstock	Hunter Valley Farm

Leading 2026 Sires of Yearlings

by cumulative average price for stallions standing in North America through Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July

Rank	Name	FYr	Loc	2024 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Into Mischief	F10	KY	\$250,000	1	1	\$420,496	\$420,496
2	Curlin	F10	KY	\$250,000	1	1	\$371,026	\$371,026
3	Twirling Candy	F13	KY	\$60,000	1	1	\$260,000	\$260,000
4	Vekoma	F22	KY	\$15,000	7	6	\$242,000	\$185,000
5	Highly Motivated	F24	KY	\$7,500	1	1	\$240,000	\$240,000
6	Cody's Wish	F25	KY	\$75,000	1	1	\$220,000	\$220,000
7	Blame	F12	KY	\$25,000	1	1	\$200,000	\$200,000
8	Practical Joke	F19	KY	\$45,000	3	3	\$188,333	\$200,000
9	Liam's Map	F17	KY	\$40,000	3	3	\$188,333	\$190,000
10	Forte	F25	KY	\$50,000	6	4	\$187,124	\$156,000
11	Gunite	F25	KY	\$35,000	5	5	\$185,000	\$180,000
12	Taiba	F25	KY	\$35,000	5	5	\$173,800	\$200,000
13	Girvin	F20	KY	\$30,000	5	5	\$172,000	\$150,000
14	McKinzie	F22	KY	\$30,000	4	3	\$163,333	\$130,000
15	Upstart	F18	KY	\$30,000	2	2	\$162,500	\$162,500

Leading 2026 Freshmen Sires of Yearlings

by cumulative average price for stallions standing in North America through Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July

Rank	Name	Sire's Sire	Loc	2024 Fee	Ring	Sold	Avg	Median
1	Cody's Wish	Curlin	KY	\$75,000	1	1	\$220,000	\$220,000
2	Forte	Violence	KY	\$50,000	6	4	\$187,124	\$156,000
3	Gunite	Gun Runner	KY	\$35,000	5	5	\$185,000	\$180,000
4	Taiba	Gun Runner	KY	\$35,000	5	5	\$173,800	\$200,000
5	Mage	Good Magic	KY	\$25,000	5	4	\$161,250	\$150,000
6	Up to the Mark	Not This Time	KY	\$25,000	3	2	\$160,000	\$160,000
7	Fulsome	Into Mischief	KY	\$7,500	2	1	\$140,000	\$140,000
8	Arabian Lion	Justify	KY	\$30,000	6	6	\$109,000	\$72,500
9	Pappacap	Gun Runner	KY	\$12,500	4	3	\$96,666	\$110,000
10	Proxy	Tapit	KY	\$25,000	2	2	\$90,000	\$90,000
11	Arcangelo	Arrogate	KY	\$35,000	2	1	\$75,000	\$75,000
12	Loggins	Ghostzapper	KY	\$7,500	12	9	\$73,555	\$70,000
13	Dr. Schivel	Violence	KY	\$12,500	3	2	\$68,000	\$68,000
14	Two Phil's	Hard Spun	KY	\$12,500	12	11	\$59,136	\$30,000
15	Annapolis	War Front	KY	\$12,500	4	2	\$57,500	\$57,500

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3	Ole Crazy Bone 	Ghostzapper	Flying P Stable	Maker	Ortiz, Jr.	124
4	Program Trading (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Brown	Prat	124
5	Fort George (GB)	Territories (Ire)	Mrs. Fitriani Hay	Walker	Shoemark	124
6	Minaret Station	Instilled Regard	OXO Equine LLC	Walden	Ortiz	124
7	Survie (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Michael B. Tabor	Boughey	Franco	119

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EARLY VOTING'S MISS MONICA CRUISES TO RISING STARDOM



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Mike Pegram, Karl Watson, and Paul Weitman's **Miss Monica** (**Early Voting**) cruised to an effortless 5 3/4-length debut victory Sunday at Del Mar, giving her GI Preakness Stakes-winning freshman sire (by **Gun Runner**) his seventh winner and fourth 'TDN Rising Star presented by Hagyard.'

The 1-2 favorite powered out to the early lead from her inside draw and was in hand while clear through an opening quarter in :23.08 and a half in :46.14. Spendthrift's homebred firster **Well Versed** (Into Mischief) moved to challenge the favorite approaching the stretch, but Miss Monica easily shrugged off that foe and sailed home with minimal encouragement from Juan Hernandez.

Miss Monica is the first foal to race out of Lipstikliesnlovers. With no reported foals in 2025 or 2026, the mare was bred to **Drain the Clock** this year. Her dam, graded stakes winner Cherokee Queen, was purchased by the Branhams for \$365,000 at the 2012 Fasig-Tipton November sale.

Miss Monica was purchased by pinhooker Jesse Hoppel for \$45,000 at the 2025 Keeneland September sale and was purchased on behalf of Pegram, Watson and Weitman by Donato Lanni for \$850,000 at the OBS April sale. Lanni's purchase was firmly under the radar as it came just minutes before the bloodstock agent paid a record \$10.5 million for a colt by **Flightline**.

Miss Monica worked a quarter-mile in a co-fastest :20 2/5 ahead of the April sale.

"Her work was phenomenal," Lanni said at the time. "She was running against a head wind, too. Galloped out good. She was serious out there."

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2nd-Del Mar, \$100,000, Msw, 8-9, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16.44, ft, 5 3/4 lengths.

MISS MONICA, f, 2, by Early Voting

1st Dam: Lipstikliesnlovers, by American Pharoah

2nd Dam: Cherokee Queen, by Cherokee Run

3rd Dam: Virginia Bee, by Virginia Rapids

Sales history: \$32,000 RNA Wlg '24 KEENOV; \$45,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP; \$850,000 2yo '26 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$60,000. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or free**

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O-Michael Pegram, Karl Watson, & Paul Weitman; B-Doug & Felicia Branham & Pippa's Hurricane LLC (KY); T-Bob Baffert.

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SCALDING'S INDUCTION FIRST WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE



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As the second starter for his freshman sire (by **Nyquist**), **Induction** garnered the honor of becoming his first winner at Colonial Downs.

Sent off as a 9-2 shot to track from fifth as **Yalta** (War of Will) stepped out to set the fractions in :24.29 and a half in :49.42, the Pin Oak Stud homebred was in no rush from his position in the early stages but did start to improve his placing around the turn. Rallying from four wide as the pacesetter tried to mount a response, Induction kicked away from that rival to score by two lengths.

The victor is the first to the races for Right to Freedom, who hails from the female family of GI Kentucky Oaks victress Summerly (Summer Squall). The dam has a yearling full-sister to Induction in the wings as well as a 2026 **Street Sense** colt. She came up barren on her 2027 trip back to the latter sire.

Summerly, twice elite-level placed in her career as well, went on in her broodmare career to produce SP Kentucky Reign (Distorted Humor) and Brazilian Group-placed Allez Marie. The latter has since produced five stakes horses, most recently GIII Monmouth Oaks victress Running Away (**Gun Runner**).

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FIRST WINNER FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

5th-Colonial Downs, \$73,700, Msw, 8-9, 2yo, 1mT, 1:37.45, fm, 2 lengths.

INDUCTION (c, 2, Scalding--Right to Freedom {SP}, by Constitution) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000. O/B-Pin Oak Stud, LLC (KY); T-H. Graham Motion.

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

ELLIS PARK DERBY PRESENTED BY HALLWAY FEEDS, \$386,000, Ellis, 8-9, 3yo, 1m, 1:35.56, ft.

1--IGNITER, 118, c, 3, by Volatile

1st Dam: Malibu Prayer (GISW, \$618,026), by Malibu Moon

2nd Dam: Grand Prayer, by Grand Slam

3rd Dam: Lyrical Prayer, by The Minstrel

O/B-Three Chimneys Farm, LLC (Goncalo B. Torrealba) (KY); T-Richard E. Dutrow, Jr.; J-Luis Saez. \$244,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 8-4-0-3, \$463,700.

2--Corona de Oro, 118, c, 3, Bolt d'Oro--Lemon de Oro, by Lemon Drop Kid. (\$100,000 RNA Ylg '24 FTSAUG; \$100,000 Ylg '24 OBSOCT; \$160,000 2yo '25 EASMAY). O-On Our Own Stable, LLC, Commonwealth Stable, U Racing Stables, LLC, Saints or Sinners, Titledown Racing, LLC, Nichols, Jim, Barker, Edwin S., Rivers, Daniel, Haines, John and Stewart, Dallas; B-Willow Oaks Stable, LLC (KY); T-Dallas Stewart. \$80,000.

3--Stop the Car, 118, c, 3, Maximum Security--Pussyfoot, by Tiznow. (\$110,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR). O-Trade Winds Farm; B-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. \$40,000.

Margins: 4, HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 1.05, 2.43, 3.81.

Also Ran: Seventies Music, Spun D M C. Scratched: Plutarch.

The New York class was too much for his rivals late as Igniter turned back his challengers and strode home the easiest of winners in the Ellis Park Derby.

Away well to stalk the early pace of :23.77 and a half in :46.31 set by clear leader Spun D M C (Spun to Run), Igniter was the looming danger after six panels in 1:10.10 with Corona de Oro to his inside. Taking the overland route into the stretch while Corona de Oro rode the rail, the chestnut was too much to handle in the lane, striding away confidently to a clear win.

"He broke running," said winning jockey Luis Saez. "We were hoping he'd have a target to run at, and it worked out that way. I think the distance was perfect for him."

Igniter, winner of the Jimmy Winkfield Stakes at Aqueduct in March, was third in the May 16 Chick Lang Stakes at Laurel and was coming off a third-place finish in the June 28 GIII **Maxfield** Stakes.

Grade I winner Malibu Prayer, a half-sister to multiple graded winner Valid (Medaglia d'Oro), has a 2-year-old filly by **Early Voting** and a yearling colt by **Gun Runner**. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

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ELLIS PARK JUVENILE S. PRESENTED BY CLAIBORNE FARM,
\$250,000, Ellis, 8-9, 2yo, 7f, 1:23.34, ft.

1--**SALAHUDIN, 120, c, 2, by Uncle Mo**

1st Dam: Weekend Strike (SP), by Smart Strike

2nd Dam: Weekend Storm, by Storm Bird

3rd Dam: Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat

(\$190,000 RNA Ylg '25 KEESEP; \$325,000 Ylg '25 FTKOCT).

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.;
B-Newstead Corp (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-Florent Geroux.
\$150,950. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$210,462. *1/2 to Sizzling
(Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Ire, \$157,252.

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2--**Grand Yaupon, 120, c, 2, Yaupon--Media Circus, by**
Mineshaft. (\$560,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.**
O-Estate of Mike McCarty; B-Thomas S. & Henry L. Hinkle &
Robert B. Kessinger (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$49,500.

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3--**Bearamour, 120, c, 2, Vekoma--Rockport Beauty, by Rockport**
Harbor. (\$115,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Charles
K. Marquis; B-Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson) (KY);
T-J. Keith Desormeaux. \$24,750.

BRANDYWINE FARM (Jim & Pam Robinson)
Margins: 4HF, 3 3/4, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.34, 4.18, 8.93.

Also Ran: Chasing the Son, Never a Doubt, Sargent Bilko,
Tigrado.

Salahudin, who broke his maiden going 6 1/2 furlongs of the
Ellis oval July 17, dominated the Ellis Park Juvenile Stakes as the
6-5 favorite. The bay colt, allowed to settle into stride from the
gate, rushed up three wide to press the pace down the
backstretch as the quarter went up in :23.21.

He took control on the far turn, was clear through a half in
:45.81 and sailed home a much-the-best winner.

"He was very impressive today," said winning jockey Florent
Geroux. "I think he'll be even better going farther. He has a
great mind to him and he's learning each time and I think he has
a lot of potential."

Dan Ward, assistant to winning trainer Bob Baffert, saw
improvement from Salahudin's maiden win to his first stakes
win.

"He seemed like he learned from his debut and was able to put
himself into the race early without the rider having to ask him,"
Ward said. "It was a nice step forward in his progression."

Weekend Strike is a half-sister to multiple Grade I winner
Court Vision (Gulch). The winner's third dam Weekend Surprise
produced A.P. Indy and Summer Squall. **Click for the**
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ELLIS PARK DEBUTANTE S. PRESENTED BY HAUSMANN
OUTDOOR SOLUTIONS, \$249,163, Ellis, 8-9, 2yo, f, 7f, 1:23.15,
ft.

1--**MANUKA HONEY, 120, f, 2, by Upstart**

1st Dam: Drop Dead Red (SP, \$190,425), by Hold Me Back

2nd Dam: Stylish Affair, by Not For Love

3rd Dam: Fabulous Fame, by Cherokee Colony

(\$19,000 RNA Ylg '25 FTKOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Lee,
Lisa, Sciortino, Jason, Lynch, William and Howe, Brian; B-Terry
Hamilton (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch; J-Luis Saez. \$150,175. Lifetime
Record: 2-2-0-0, \$202,271.

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2--**For the Win**, 120, f, 2, **Drain the Clock**--Fleeting Glimpse, by Malibu Moon. (\$50,000 Ylg '25 FTKJUL). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Black Type Thoroughbreds, Brunetti Dugan Stables, Swinbank Stables LLC, Adkisson, Steve and Atkinson, Andrew; B-Steve Long Thoroughbreds (KY); T-George Weaver. \$49,250.

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3--**Cardio Cat**, 121, f, 2, Catalina Cruiser--Mo Shopping, by Uncle Mo. (\$15,000 Ylg '25 KEESEP). O-Heiligbrodt, Corinne, Heiligbrodt, L. William, and Reimer, Ken T.; B-Hronis Racing, LLC (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen. \$24,625.

LANE'S END SALES GRADUATE

Margins: 7, 3HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 0.45, 10.89, 8.75.

Also Ran: Glory Run, Velvet Beretta, Greatest Joy, Caffeine Fix, Sweet Mary.

Manuka Honey, who was a dazzling 7 1/4-length winner of her five-furlong debut at Churchill Downs June 20, sparkled in her stakes bow, gliding home the easiest of winners in the Ellis Park Debutante Stakes Sunday.

The heavy favorite was content to watch the action unfold as Glory Run (**Girvin**) and Sweet Mary (Mitole) contested the pace through an opening quarter in :22.28. Glory Run asserted control as the half-mile went up in :45.05, but her advantage was short lived as Manuka Honey grabbed the lead out of the turn before cruising home unchallenged and under wraps.

"She's been a very forward filly from the start," said winning trainer Brian Lynch. "From her first start to this one, she trained so professionally and did everything so easily. Hopefully this sets her up well moving forward."

Drop Dead Red produced a colt by **Jack Christopher** this year and was bred back to that stallion. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

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AUDUBON OAKS PRESENTED BY OG CAPPERS, \$200,000, Ellis, 8-9, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:21.80, ft.

1--**CONCEIT**, 118, f, 3, by **Not This Time**

1st Dam: Pachinko, by **Tapit**

2nd Dam: Hachita, by **Gone West**

3rd Dam: Choice Spirit, by **Danzig**

1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O/B-Juddmonte (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Florent Geroux. \$121,380. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$249,883. *Full to Final Gambit, GSW, \$972,064.

2--**A Fine Chardonnay**, 122, f, 3, **Maclean's Music**--Andeley, by Bernardini. (\$20,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT; \$85,000 2yo '25 EASMA). O-Double 22 Stables, LLC; B-Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY); T-Ian R. Wilkes. \$39,800.

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3--**Twirling Aces**, 118, f, 3, **Twirling Candy**--Kidoro, by Medaglia d'Oro. (\$50,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE**. O-Pocket Aces Racing LLC; B-Dell Ridge Farm, LLC (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. \$19,900.

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Margins: 3/4, 2 3/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.47, 4.96, 1.33.

Also Ran: Betty's Pearl, Altadena-(DH), Bet the Gray-(DH).

Scratched: Carmel Coast, Kingsolver, Percy's Bar.

Conceit determinedly outbattled A Fine Chardonnay down the lane to win the Audubon Oaks Sunday at Ellis Park. Twirling Aces, the 6-5 favorite, went right to the front and was clear through fractions of :23.04 and :46.05, with Conceit stalking from second. Conceit and A Fine Chardonnay moved in tandem to overtake the pacesetter in upper stretch. A Fine Chardonnay looked to gain a slim advantage, but Conceit battled back bravely and was inching away to the wire.

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"She handles everything," said winning jockey Florent Geroux said. "Today was the first time she was entered to run on dirt. Her previous dirt starts came in races taken off the turf. She's a younger sister to Final Gambit, who can run on any surface, so it looks like a very good family for Juddmonte."

Conceit, a maiden winner at Horseshoe Indianapolis last September, was making her stakes debut Sunday off a stylish 10 1/4-length victory in an off-turf allowance at Churchill June 26.

The winner has a 2-year-old half-sister by **Justify**, a yearling half-sister by **Mage**, and a weanling half-sister by **Elite Power**. Pachinko, a half-sister to Group 1 winner Announce (GB) (Selkirk), was bred back to **Elite Power** this year. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)

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GROUPIE DOLL S. PRESENTED BY COADY MEDIA, \$200,000, Ellis, 8-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:35.72, ft.

1--**FIVE A SIDE, 122, f, 4, Spun to Run--Kylbrylie, by Pulpit.** (\$100,000 Ylg '23 FTKJUL). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Main Line Racing Stable and Avalon Racing Stables; B-Porta Pia Stables LLC (KY); T-John C. Servis; J-Jaime A. Torres. \$120,760. Lifetime Record: 17-4-5-2, \$488,271. *Full to Fulmine, SW, \$200,276.

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2--**Cash Call, 122, f, 4, McKinzie--D'fashion, by D'wildcat.** (\$65,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$600,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR). O-Edward A. Childs; B-Brent Harris & Beth Harris (KY); T-Bob Baffert. \$39,600.

3--**Union Mist, 122, m, 5, Union Rags--Misty American, by Quiet American. 1ST BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Calumet Farm (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh. \$19,800.

Margins: 6 1/4, 2 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 2.48, 0.70, 15.51.

Also Ran: In Just My Heels, Queen Azteca, Chilled, Floating Beauty.

Five a Side came into the Groupie Doll Stakes with a consistent record in 2026 and she ran away from the field here to win going away.

On the board in five of six races coming into Sunday's appearance, she'd won against Churchill optional claimers two-back June 11 and ran third last out July 11 in Horseshoe Indianapolis's Mari Hulman George Memorial Handicap.

The 2-1 second choice due to the presence of Bob Baffert's GSW Cash Call, who commanded 3-5 favoritism, Five a Side got away from the blocks well and immediately stuck herself to that betting choice's side through :23.90 and a half in :46.62. Vying for the lead around the final bend, she overhauled Cash Call turning for home and drew off to win by 6 1/4 lengths. Union Mist closed the trifecta.

"I thought she ran great," said trainer John Servis. "A one-turn mile is where she wants to be. She went through a little stint early on where she was waiting on horses, but that's behind her now. Being here in Kentucky has worked out well. Our owners twisted my arm to come out here, but I like it at Turfway and everything has worked out."

The victress is the second stakes horse for her dam behind her 3-year-old full-brother Fulmine, who claimed the Hutcheson Stakes at Gulfstream Park last March. That pair has a juvenile half-sister named Katz on Fire (**Flameaway**) as well as a pair of half-brothers--a yearling by Fulsome and a 2026 **Jack Christopher**. [Click for the Equibase.com chart.](#)



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R.A. "COWBOY" JONES S. PRESENTED BY COADY MEDIA,
\$200,000, Ellis, 8-9, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:34.49, ft.
1--OWEN ALMIGHTY, 122, c, 4, Speightstown--Tempers Rising
(GSP, \$311,482), by Bayern. (\$360,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV;
\$350,000 Ylg '23 FTSAUG). O-Flying Dutchmen Breeding and
Racing LLC; B-Mark Stanley (KY); T-Brian A. Lynch; J-Luis Saez.
\$120,760. Lifetime Record: GSW, 14-4-4-1, \$902,895.

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2--This Is Uskar, 122, g, 5, Oscar Performance--Journey On, by
Good Journey. (\$90,000 Ylg '22 KEESEP). O-Table 38 Racing LLC
and KatieRich Stables LLC; B-KatieRich Farms (KY); T-Jordan
Blair. \$39,600.

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3--Coal Battle, 122, c, 4, Coal Front--Wolfblade, by Midshipman.
(\$70,000 Ylg '23 TTAYRL). O-Norman Stables LLC; B-Hume
Wornall & Jay Adcock (KY); T-Lonnie Briley. \$19,800.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, 4 3/4. Odds: 1.22, 4.51, 2.14.

Also Ran: Extra Anejo, Tennessee Lamb, Heroic Move, Money
Supply. Scratched: Bracket Buster.

'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Owen Almighty got
back to his winning ways with a frontrunning masterclass as the
6-5 favorite in the R.A. "Cowboy" Jones Stakes.

Quickly to the front, but never left unchallenged, the son of
Speightstown set an opening quarter in :24.21 and a half-mile in
:46.80. Confronted by Extra Anejo (Into Mischief) as that one
tried to rally past him with This Is Uskar also arriving on scene to
make things interesting, Owen Almighty dug deep to battle the
former back at the quarter pole and then again when the latter
tried the same passing the furlong marker. Shaking free at the
sixteenth, the 'Rising Star' strode home to a well-earned 1 1/4-
length victory. This Is Uskar had to settle for second and the ever
consistent Coal Battle ambled in to claim third.

"Nobody wanted this horse to win more than I did," said
trainer Brian Lynch. "After he ran in the Derby, he had to
undergo throat surgery. He's a special horse to come back and
perform as well as he did before the surgery."

Owen Almighty produced this victory on the back of a strong
effort last out June 28 in the GIII Hanshin Stakes at Churchill
Downs, earning a 103 Beyer for his runner-up effort to MGSW
Nu What's New (**Munnings**).

The victor is the first to the races for Tempers Rising, and her
second winner ahead of half-brother No Temperance
(**Constitution**), who broke his maiden June 25 at Colonial after
starting his racing career in Ireland as a juvenile. The pair has a
2-year-old half-brother named Damavand (**Not This Time**) in
the wings. The mare's 2026 **McKinzie** was stillborn and she came
up barren after a trip to **Life Is Good** for 2027. **Click for the**
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9th-Saratoga, \$105,000, (S), Alw, 8-9, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 7f,
1:23.54, ft, neck.

ONEBIGBEAUTFULBILL (c, 3, Tiz the Law--Tizsomethingroyal, by
Tizway), a debut winner July 5 at Saratoga, aced his next step up
in class as a 4-1 shot against a considerably more experienced
field. Tracking Tricky Business (Vekoma) from midpack as that
one established the tempo, the son of **Tiz the Law** rallied
strongly in the lane to wear down the leader in the final strides
and win by a neck. The Brad Cox-trainee is a half-brother to SP
She's Out Tiz (**Munnings**) and is the third consecutive winner for
the dam. Tizsomethingroyal has a juvenile colt by Yaupon, a
yearling filly by Maximum Security, and a 2026 Omaha Beach
filly in the wings. She was bred to Maximus Mischief for 2027.
Sales history: \$130,000 Ylg '24 SARAUG. Lifetime Record:
2-2-0-0, \$112,750. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO,**
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O-Dubb, Michael and The Elkstone Group LLC (Stuart Grant);
B-Triumph Trio (NY); T-Brad H. Cox.



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7th-Woodbine, C\$88,000, Alw (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$34,071-\$35,865), 8-9, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:20.31, fm, 1/2 length. **TWO OUT HERO (c, 3, War Front--Song River {MSP, \$222,114}, by Liam's Map)** ran third in the GI Summer Stakes as a juvenile at Woodbine after winning the Soaring Free Stakes the race prior that season in just his second career start. He fell out of form in the beginning half of the year as a sophomore, but found his winning ways here as a 3-1 shot. Settling off a loose early leader in War Strategy (War Front), Two Out Hero muscled his way to clear running room mid-stretch and furiously closed the gap on the longtime pacesetter to win in the final jumps by a half-length. The victor is the first to the races for Song River, a half-sister to two stakes horses, namely SP Glean (**McKinzie**) and SP Fuel (Basin). Two Out Hero has a juvenile half-sister named Glassing (**Constitution**) in the wings as well as a pair of fillies--a yearling **Cody's Wish** and a 2026 **Flightline**. Their dam was bred to **Gun Runner** for 2027. This is the female family of SW March X Press (Shanghai Bobby) and GSW Fort Bragg (**Tapit**). Sales history: \$240,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: SW & GISP, 8-3-1-1, \$194,396. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.**

O-Gold Square LLC; B-Corser Thoroughbreds LLC (KY); T-Kevin Attard.

3rd-Del Mar, \$81,500, Alw (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$80,000), 8-9, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:35.39, fm, 1 1/4 lengths.

MEMORIZED (f, 3, Tapit--Memories Prevail, by Creative Cause) broke her maiden in her second jump last September and ran fifth behind MSW & GSP Sister Troienne (**Munnings**) Oct. 22 at Keeneland in her final start for trainer Chad Brown. Going to the bench after that jump, she resurfaced in California and in the barn of Philip D'Amato, and entered this seasonal bow with first-time Lasix. The 2-1 favorite stalked the action from third while a

pair of eager leaders duked it out through :24.06, :47.85, and 1:11.72 heading for the final bend. Launching her bid from three deep and relentlessly closing the gap inside the final furlong, she drove clear of that pair in mid-stretch to win by 1 1/4 lengths. Peppermint Dash (**Twirling Candy**) arrived late to claim second.

Memorized is a half-sister to a pair of accomplished runners, namely Zandon (**Upstart**), GISW, \$2,200,000 and Sol Principe Gris (Summer Front), Horse Of The Year-Pan, Ch. 2-year-old Colt-Pan, Ch. Miller-Pan, MSW-Pan, \$104,388. She is the fifth winning offspring from six to the races as her juvenile half-brother Blue Law (**Constitution**) is unplaced. The mare produced a yearling colt by **Mage** that is her last registered thus far, and she was bred to **Upstart** for 2027. Sales history: \$900,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$104,680. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O-Resolute Racing; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Philip D'Amato.

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in 2026 include: **SULTANA (G3)**

GOODALL (2xSW/GSP)

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IN ORDER OF PURSE:

2nd-Saratoga, \$115,000, Msw, 8-9, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42.08, fm, nose.

FELINE CURIOUS (c, 3, Kitten's Joy--Agog {SP}, by More Than Ready) had closed into the pace on two occasions in his prior four starts, and missed breaking his maiden by a length and a neck. he tried a different approach here and got the job done at 7-2 odds.

Going to the front right from the jump, the chestnut set a pressured pace through :24.35, :48.61, and six panels in 1:12.29 with Democracy Defender (**American Pharoah**) hot on his heels for most of the race. Saving ground all the way, he tried to give them the slip turning for home, but the runner-up was closing with a full head of steam on his outside. Digging in as his rival loomed, Feline Curious was saved by the wire by the slimmest of margins.

The victor is the first to the races for his dam, and her second winner as his juvenile half-sister Up Before the Dawn broke her maiden at Ellis Park July 18 by 1 3/4 lengths. The pair has a yearling half-sister by **Raging Bull (Fr)** and Agog visited **Up to the Mark** for 2027. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$98,962. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV.** O/B-NBS Stable (KY); T-Kelsey Danner.

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Feline Curious (inside) fights off Democracy Defender (outside)
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1st-Saratoga, \$111,550, Msw, 8-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.95, ft, 3/4 length.

FROLICKING (f, 3, **Not This Time--Cowboytakemeaway, by Street Cry {Ire})** was unveiled last September at Churchill Downs, and closed from mid-pack to claim second by three-quarters of a length to next-out winner Baracca (**Oscar Performance**). She finished ahead of eventual stakes-winner Not a Lady (Into Mischief) that afternoon. On the sidelines since that effort, she returned here with first-time Lasix and the betting public sent her from the blocks as the even-money favorite.

Enjoying a ground-saving trip from third as Poise (**Gun Runner**) posted the opening fractions of :22.70 and four panels in :46.24, Frolicking drafted off that leader through the bend and in striking position by the time they swung into the lane. Coming out a path for racing room, she bumped with a rival inside the three-sixteenths, but had the momentum to overhaul Poise and



Frolicking (inside) | Sarah Andrew

kick home to a three-quarter-length score. Glow of a Rose (Vekoma) closed well from last to claim second while Poise held on to third.

The half-sister to Second I D (**Maclean's Music**), SP, \$210,302 and another winner, Frolicking is the most recent to the races but does have a juvenile half-sister named Undisputed U (**Constitution**). Cowboytakemeaway has a yearling filly by **Good Magic** and a 2026 **Curlin** filly in the wings, and was bred to Goal Oriented for 2027. The dam is a daughter of 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' GISW Hot Dixie Chick (Dixie Union), thus making her a half to 'Rising Stars' GISW Pauline's Pearl (**Tapit**) and MSW & GSP Union Jackson (**Curlin**). How Dixie Chick is herself a half-sibling to GI Kentucky Derby hero Always Dreaming (Bodemeister). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$87,250.

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2nd-Ellis, \$100,000, Msw, 8-9, 2yo, f, 7f, 1:23.66, ft, 6 lengths.

MISS ANNA (f, 2, **Girvin--Miss Nina, by Empire Maker)** ran headlong into 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard' Scarlett Begonia (**Life Is Good**) in their mutual debut July 6, and she was beaten by 3 3/4 lengths in the end. The winner took her show on the road to Saratoga Aug. 2, and finished third in the GIII Adirondack Stakes to become her sire's first graded runner. Made the 9-5 favorite on the strength of that running line, Miss Anna broke well to stalk the action up front from fourth. Always in hand through opening fractions of :22.64 and :45.57, the Brendan Walsh-trainee had ranged up to the leaders outside the five sixteenths pole and took over at the quarter marker. Urged along to keep her mind on running, she defeated The Final Secret (**Olympiad**) by six lengths in the end. **Cont.**

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The victress is the first to the races for Miss Nina, a daughter of MGSW Miss Ella (Exchange Rate), and has a yearling half-brother by **Gunite**. The dam did not produce any offspring after a 2026 visit to Vekoma, but was bred back to Omaha Beach for 2027. This is the distant female family of Chilean Horse of the Year and champion 3-year-old filly Isola Piu Bella (Chi). Sales history: \$110,000 RNA Ylg '25 KEESEP; \$330,000 2yo '26 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$78,420. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Bradley Thoroughbreds, Carter, Mike, Cambron Equine, LLC and Hensler, Dan; B-Jack Swain (KY); T-Brendan P. Walsh.



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1st-Ellis, \$99,855, Msw, 8-9, 2yo, 5 1/2ft, 1:02.11, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

MID AMERICAN (c, 2, **Epicenter--Wampum Girl, by Exchange Rate)** made the swap from dirt to turf for this second start and did not disappoint his backers at 7-1 odds.

Debuted July 17 on the neighboring main track with blinkers on that afternoon, he didn't have much to show when running seventh behind well-supported Bob Baffert charge Salahudin (Uncle Mo). That runner returned later in the card to win the Ellis Park Juvenile Stakes by a commanding margin.

Shedding the equipment and drawn inside for this turf debut, Mid American came out at the jump but recovered well to track the action from off the pace set by Just Got Paid (**Olympiad**). In contention and on the move after :21.94 and :45 flat, the eye-catching chestnut tipped to the outside entering the lane and had the longtime leader squarely in his sights. Mid American took command passing the furlong marker and opened his advantage to 3 1/4 lengths on the wire. Mid American is the fourth winner for **Epicenter (Not This Time)**.

The victor is out of a half-sister to GISW Bordonaro (Memo {Chi}) and SW & GISP Miss Empire (Empire Maker)--herself the granddam of MSP Quality Chic (**Quality Road**). Mid American is her most recent to the races and the last registered offspring thus far. Wampum Girl was bred to **Barnes** for 2027. This is the immediate female family of accomplished French racemare Beyond the Waves (Ocean Crest), who went on in her breeding career to garner top honors as Broodmare of the Year in 2019 due in part to the exploits of her son, Horse of the Year and champion turf male Bricks and Mortar (Giant's Causeway). She is also the granddam of SW & GSP Blackmail (**Not This Time**) as well as MSP Social Code (**Constitution**). Sales history: \$75,000 Ylg '25 FTKOCT; \$180,000 2yo '26 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$59,246. **Click for the Equibase.com chart.**

O-Doubledown Stables, Inc.; B-Sunny Oak Farm (KY); T-James P. DiVito.

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6th-Del Mar, \$82,500, Msw, 8-8, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.43, fm, 3 1/4 lengths.

PATH TO POWER (GB) (g, 3, Time Test {GB}--Miss Marjorie {Ire} {Hwt. Older Mare-Eng- at 11 - 14 f., GSW-Eng, \$214,621}, by Marju {Ire}) was a narrowly beaten second in his 1 1/4-mile debut over the all-weather at Dundalk in February, but was a non-threatening sixth in his stateside debut going one mile over the Santa Anita lawn May 30. Gelded since that effort and adding blinkers here, the 6-1 shot settled well off the pace while racing in the clear. **Cont.**

He made rapid progress while four wide on the far bend and slingshotted to the lead out of the turn before pulling away energetically to win by 3 1/4 lengths. Pax Mundi (**Gun Runner**) was second. Path to Power was a 24,000gns TATOCT yearling. He has a yearling half-brother by Triple Time (Ire) and a weanling half-sister by Look de Vega (Fr). Ballylinch Stud purchased the group-winning Miss Marjorie, carrying the Triple Time colt, for \$186,289 at the 2024 Tattersalls December sale.

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O-CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Strand Beach LLC, Aldabbagh, Omar, McClanahan, Jerry and Nentwig, Michael; B-Highview Bloodstock Ltd/A Swinburn (GB); T-Philip D'Amato.

3rd-Colonial Downs, \$72,500, Msw, 8-9, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04.44, ft, 1 1/2 lengths.

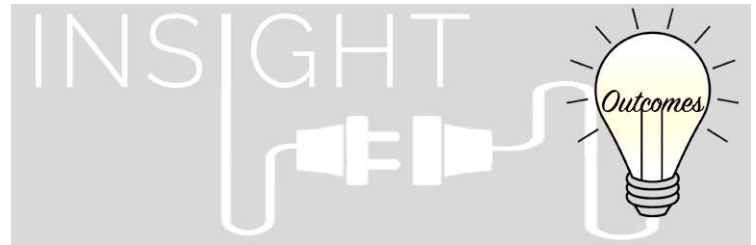
EXCELLENT (c, 2, [Quality Road](#)--Remarkable, by Indian Charlie), sent off at 5-2, was hustled out of the gate before settling slightly worse than mid-pack. Tipped out for running room and following in the wake of No Substitute (**Justify**) as that favorite forged to the lead, Excellent closed stoutly to win going away by 1 1/2 lengths. Excellent is a full-brother to Park Avenue, SW & GSP, \$330,887. He was purchased for \$575,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV](#).** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000.

O-WinStar Farm LLC, CHC, Inc. and First Go Racing LLC; B-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Rodolphe Brisset.

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2nd-Gulfstream, \$65,000, (S), Msw, 8-9, 2yo, f, 7 1/2f, 1:30.50, gd, head.

DASHER (f, 2, Colonel Liam--More Glory, by Jess's Dream), let go at 14-1, was outfooted out of the gate and settled at the back of the field. She began picking off rivals nearing the far turn, rolled into contention while five wide approaching the lane and charged past favored Touch of Honor (**Curlin's Honor**) in the final strides to graduate by a head. Dasher is the second winner for her freshman sire (by **Liam's Map**). More Glory has a yearling colt by Roadster and a weanling colt by Win Win Win. She was bred back to Gulfport. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel TV](#).** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$39,000. O-Peter J. Mirabelli; B-Peter J. Mirabelli & Trust (FL); T-Beau J. Chapman.



DEL MAR 2:

Miss Monica (Early Voting) roared home to 'TDN Rising Star' honors for her connections while **Well Versed** (Into Mischief) valiantly chased her in, but had to settle for second. **Royal Pearl (Mandaloun)** ran an even fourth.

SARATOGA 1:

Episodic (Uncle Mo), out of a half to a Group 1 winner and herself a half-sister to the mother of MGISW Ferocious, was never a danger in fifth.

ELLIS PARK 2:

Lead by Example (Jackie's Warrior) faded to ninth. **I'mgunningforyou (Gun Runner)** was scratched out of the race.



FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, AUGUST 10

2026 Stud Fees Listed

Cyberknife (Gun Runner), Spendthrift Farm, \$15,000
167 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
2-Presque Isle Downs, 3:57 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Sinking Coin,
9-2
\$45,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; \$42,000 FTK FEB wnl

Magic On Tap (Tapit), Pleasant Acres Stallions, \$5,000
47 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
1-Gulfstream, 12:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2f, Caribbean Comet,
3-1
\$27,000 OBS OCT yrl

Roadster (Quality Road), Ocala Stud, \$7,500
85 foals of racing age/7 winners/1 black-type winner
6-Gulfstream, 2:58 p.m. EDT, \$100K In Summation S., 6f,
American Roadster, 4-1
\$15,000 OBS MAR 2yo



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Roadster, cont.

6-Gulfstream, 2:58 p.m. EDT, \$100K In Summation S., 6f, It's Smoking, 8-1
\$145,000 RNA OBS OPN 2yo
6-Gulfstream, 2:58 p.m. EDT, \$100K In Summation S., 6f, Road to Midnight, 6-1
\$100,000 OBS APR 2yo

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: MONDAY, AUGUST 10
2026 Stud Fees Listed

Beau Liam (**Liam's Map**), Airdrie Stud, \$7,500
144 foals of racing age/39 winners/4 black-type winners
8-Prairie Meadows, 7:59 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Ridin Low, 10-1
\$1,000 FTD DE wnl

Known Agenda (**Curlin**), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000
171 foals of racing age/43 winners/1 black-type winner
1-Gulfstream, 12:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 7 1/2ft, Furious Agenda, 6-1
\$10,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$30,000 RNA OBS MAR 2yo

Need More Mo (Uncle Mo), Buckeye Stallion Station, \$2,000
12 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
8-Thistledown, 4:20 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f, Colorissimo, 15-1

Uncle Chuck (Uncle Mo), Journeyman Stud

113 foals of racing age/23 winners/2 black-type winners
6-Gulfstream, 2:58 p.m. EDT, \$100K In Summation S., 6f, Boyhood Dream, 9-2
\$1,000 OBS WIN wnl; \$10,000 OBS OCT yrl; \$20,000 OBS MAR 2yo
6-Gulfstream, 2:58 p.m. EDT, \$100K In Summation S., 6f, Spicy Taco, 7-2
\$14,000 OBS OCT yrl

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STAKES RESULTS:

CYCLONES H., (NB) \$73,500, Prairie Meadows, 8-8, (S), 3yo/up, c/g, 1 1/16m, 1:42.16, ft.

1--**JACK'S TIME, 125, c, 4, Not This Time--Msbrooklynbrawler (SW)**, by Into Mischief. (\$325,000 RNA Ylg '23 KEESEP). O-Brian Hall, Jason & Justin Loutsch, Jason Cline & Nick Jensen; B-Albaugh Family Stables (IA); T-Kelly R. Von Hemel; J-Glenn W. Corbett. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: MSW, 11-8-1-1, \$331,707.

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2--**Specialsortastorm**, 121, g, 5, Midnight Storm--Imsortaspecial, by Big Brown. O/B-James Lee Jorgensen (IA); T-Logan Ashford. \$15,000.

3--**Omero**, 118, c, 3, Sky Mesa--Lady Lucky, by Girolamo. O-Poindexter Thoroughbreds LLC; B-H. Allen Poindexter (IA); T-Kevin Eikleberry. \$7,500.

Margins: 4 3/4, 11, 2. Odds: 0.05, 8.10, 24.60.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

11th-Saratoga, \$120,000, 8-9, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:01.47, fm, 1 length.

BOSUN (g, 5, Midshipman--Kipling's Joy {MSP, \$185,615}, by Kipling) Lifetime Record: 13-4-3-0, \$272,858. O-Highlander Training Center; B-Irish Hill Century Farm & Matthew McGuire (NY); T-Joe Sharp. *\$57,000 Ylg '22 SARAUG; \$225,000 2yo '23 EASMAY.

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9th-Woodbine, C\$116,247, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$21,519-\$22,953), 8-9, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.65, ft, 1 length.

PAYNES SPIRIT (g, 4, Shaman Ghost--Buckden House, by Paynes Bay) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-4-3-2, \$172,454. O-Twin Bullets Stable; B-2 Points Ranch, Inc. (ON); T-Julia Carey. *C\$20,000 RNA Ylg '23 CTHMAN.

8th-Woodbine, C\$110,571, (NW1X)/Opt. Clm (\$21,519-\$22,953), 8-9, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.72, ft, 1 1/4 lengths.

SPEEDY BEAR (g, 5, Souper Speedy--Bear's Molly, by Corinthian) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-2, \$128,594. O-Estate of Paul M. Buttigieg; B-Paul Buttigieg (ON); T-Richard G. Hayashi.



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3rd-Ellis, \$104,000, (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 8-9, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:00.44, fm, 1 1/2 lengths.

MASTER OF LIGHT (g, 4, Caravaggio--Dictate Cool, by Curlin) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$151,540. O-Edward Ware; B-Upson Downs Farm (KY); T-Edward Vaughan. *\$55,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

9th-Del Mar, \$81,800, (S), (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 8-8, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.09, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

MATT AT FIVE (g, 3, Tamarando--Fast Breaking News, by Flower Alley) Lifetime Record: 7-3-3-0, \$173,340. O-BAG Racing Stables LLC & Gary Barber; B-Harris Farms, Inc. (CA); T-Peter Miller.

7th-Colonial Downs, \$75,600, 8-9, (NW1X), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36.68, fm, nose.

ALTAMIRA SUR (f, 4, Honor A. P.--Diastole, by Lonhro {Aus}) Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-3, \$124,450. O-ProRacing Stable LLC; B-James Francis Connor (KY); T-Jose Francisco D'Angelo. *\$27,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$70,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP; \$145,000 RNA 2yo '24 OBSAPR.

7th-Monmouth, \$47,775, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 8-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10.04, ft, 1 length.

MINUTE BY MINUTE (f, 3, Not This Time--Desert Duchess {SW, \$240,505}, by Hard Spun) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$77,330. O-First Row Partners; B-Sam Henderson (KY); T-Chad C. Brown. *\$115,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '25 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Desert Duke (Kitten's Joy), MSP, \$217,518.

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6th-Monmouth, \$44,920, (NW1\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 8-9, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:05.50, fm, 1/2 length.

JETAROS (g, 6, Kantharos--Jetbird, by Wildcat Heir) Lifetime Record: 22-7-4-4, \$186,550. O-My Purple Haze Stables LLC; B-Burton Johnson & Cinema Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Teresa M. Pompay. *\$35,000 Wlg '20 KEENOV; \$60,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '22 OBSAPR.

8th-Evangeline Downs, \$41,000, (S), 8-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :57.89, sy, 1 length.

DOUBLE SALTY (g, 3, Unified--Streak of Silver {SW}, by Graydar) Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-1, \$90,740. O/N-Larry Romero (LA); T-Allen Landry. *\$5,000 RNA Ylg '24 TTAYRL.

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4th-Prairie Meadows, \$36,500, 8-9, (C), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.84, ft, head.

ROME'S CONQUEST (g, 4, Coal Front--True Chick, by Yes It's True) Lifetime Record: 14-7-2-1, \$160,469. O-Charles D. Nielsen; B-Mikelle Farm (MD); T-Jon G. Arnett. *\$55,000 Ylg '23 EASOCT.

5th-Charles Town, \$35,300, 8-8, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51.32, ft, neck.

THE BIG LEP (c, 3, Great Notion--Oh So Lovely, by Friesan Fire) Lifetime Record: 9-5-1-0, \$132,102. O-Richard Burnsworth & Dunn Brothers Racing, LLC; B-Super C Racing Inc (WV); T-Anthony Farrior. *\$22,000 Wlg '23 FTIDEC.

7th-Charles Town, \$35,300, (S), 8-8, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18.87, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

GOD'S PRIDE (f, 3, Upstart--Funny Pepper, by Distorted Humor) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$75,933. O/B/T-Timothy M. Collins (WV).

3rd-Charles Town, \$35,300, 8-8, (NW3LX), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25.26, ft, 1 length.

JUST DO BELIEVE (f, 3, Dialed In--Faith in Cathy, by Hold Me Back) Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$76,364. O-Richard Burnsworth & Dunn Brothers Racing, LLC; B-Parkway Farm, Inc. (KY); T-Anthony Farrior. *\$80,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP. **1/2 to Dunedin (Munnings), SP, \$365,223.

6th-Charles Town, \$34,100, 8-8, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19.48, ft, 2 1/2 lengths.

FLIRTY BAJAN (g, 3, Barbados--Flirtation Walk, by Outflanker) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-1, \$60,839. O-AJ Will Win Stables LLC; B-Little Man Farm (MD); T-Henry Walters. *\$1,000 RNA Ylg '24 EASOCT.

7th-Evangeline Downs, \$33,000, 8-8, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39.79, sy, 1 length.

CURLIN'S GESTURE (g, 6, Curlin--Sky Gesture, by Tiznow) Lifetime Record: 23-4-5-2, \$229,698. O/T-Juan Munoz Cano; B-Phoenix Thoroughbred III, LTD. (KY).

1st-Canterbury, \$23,500, 8-9, (C), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:37.36, fm, 1 length.

JACKIE PAPER (g, 3, Combatant--Jackie's Disco, by Mo Mon) Lifetime Record: SP, 11-2-2-1, \$47,219. O-Maribel Nova Campuzano; B-Ralph Colville (KY); T-Santiago Tranquilino. *\$3,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP.

4th-Emerald Downs, \$23,040, 8-9, (C), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.69, ft, neck.

CHARLIE NEAL (g, 4, Grazen--Amira J {SP}, by Sky Mesa) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$27,950. O-Spooner, Sue M. and Spooner, Tim J.; B-Nick Alexander (CA); T-Dan L. Markle.

4th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$21,560, (C)/Opt. Clm (\$35,000), 8-9, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12.07, ft, 1 length.

BEACH COLT (CHI) (g, 7, Competitive Edge--Summer Plot, by Harlan's Holiday) Lifetime Record: Ch. sprinter-Chi, GSP-Chi, SP, 46-15-9-4, \$145,159. O-Munoz Family Stable; B-Haras Convento Viejo (CHI); T-Amador Merei Sanchez.

9th-Century Mile, C\$21,455, (NW4L)/Opt. Clm (\$17,934), 8-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24.70, ft, 2 1/4 lengths.

HOLY BELLE (f, 4, Seeking the Soul--Holy Empress, by Ghostzapper) Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-2, \$56,924. O-Greystone Farms, Ltd.; B-Charles Fipke (KY); T-Robert Henson. *\$16,000 Ylg '23 KEESEP.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

7th-Gulfstream, \$70,000, Hcp, 8-9, 3yo/up, 5fT, :55.71, gd, 1/2 length.

EXTENDO (h, 6, Handsome Mike--Jeekers, by Forest Wildcat) Lifetime Record: MSP, 31-8-6-2, \$382,400. O-Robert Cotran; B-Helen & Joseph Barbazon, Edward Seltzer & Beverly Anderson (FL); T-Joseph F. Orseno. *\$7,500 Ylg '21 OBSWIN; \$25,000 2yo '22 OBSOPN.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Stick Talk, c, 2, **Girvin**--Spiel, by Speightstown. Gulfstream, 8-9, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04.96. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$73,800.

B-Victoriam Farm Spiel '24, LLC (FL). *\$60,000 2yo '26 OBSAPR.

Barger, c, 2, **Jimmy Creed**--Katie O., by Yes It's True. Woodbine, 8-9, (C), 6f (AWT), 1:12.96. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,187. B-Jim Dandy Stable (ON). *1ST-TIME STARTER.



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Johnny Hockey, c, 2, **Omaha Beach**--Emilia's Moon (G1SW-Per), by Malibu Moon. Monmouth, 8-9, 6f, 1:12.38. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$49,238. B-Charles F. Engel (KY). *\$20,000 RNA Ylg '25 KEESEP; \$72,000 Ylg '25 FTKOCT.

Saint Dymphna, f, 2, **Tonalist**--Courageous Angel, by Courageous Cat. Saratoga, 8-9, (S), 5 1/2fT, 1:03.71. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$68,014. B-Very Un Stable (NY). *\$9,500 RNA Ylg '25 FTDAUG.

King George, g, 3, **Anchor Down**--Do It, by Wild Gold. Prairie Meadows, 8-9, (S), 6f, 1:10.89. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$35,251. B-Matthew Downing (IA).

Risen Power, f, 3, **Higher Power**--Tell a Great Story (SW & GSP, \$139,070), by Bluegrass Cat. Canterbury, 8-9, 7f, 1:25.07. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-2, \$19,640. B-Kevin Juma (KY). *\$19,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEESEP. **1/2 to Flakes (Frosted), SW & GSP, \$198,983.

Elenique, f, 3, **Leinster**--Cape Trios, by Cape Blanco (Ire). Gulfstream, 8-9, (S), 1mT, 1:35.65. Lifetime Record: 9-1-3-3, \$98,470. B-DeLuca and Sons Stables Inc. (FL). *\$140,000 2yo '25 OBSOPN.

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Paseo, f, 3, **Mendelssohn**--Walkabout (GSW, \$242,563), by Stroll. Ellis, 8-9, 1 1/16mT, 1:39.96. Lifetime Record: 8-1-3-1, \$129,812. B-Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). *1/2 to Walkathon (**Twirling Candy**), MGSW, \$1,618,525.

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Daring Pursuit, f, 3, **Not This Time**--Hermajestycommands, by War Front. Del Mar, 8-9, 1 1/8mT, 1:49.31. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-2, \$75,400. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY). *\$150,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP.

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M Bs Melanie Cares, f, 3, **Redesdale**--Rahway, by Eskendereya. Saratoga, 8-9, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:17.45. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$39,450. B-Lannister Holdings (NY). *\$25,000 2yo '25 OBSOPN; \$32,500 3yo '26 IGDFOB.

Completely Elegant, f, 3, **Uncle Mo**--Itsagiantcauseway, by Giant's Causeway. Mountaineer Casino & Resort, 8-9, 1m 70y (off turf), 1:48.21. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$14,336. B-Teneri Farms Inc & Uncle Mo Syndicate (KY). *\$72,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Mucho Gusto (Mucho Macho Man), GISW, \$4,453,800; 1/2 to Go With Gusto (Medaglia d'Oro), GISP-Can, SP-USA. ***Won by 7 1/4 Lengths.

Victory Song, c, 3, **Vekoma**--Aye a Song (MSW, \$172,605), by Fiber Sonde. Mountaineer Casino & Resort, 8-9, (S), 5f, 1:00.42. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$13,565. B-Cynthia McKee (WV).

Bootsongtheground, g, 3, **War of Will**--Boots n' Battle, by Americain. Woodbine, 8-9, (C), 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:18.13. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$24,822. B-Nursery Place & Dicken Equine (KY). *\$85,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP.

Woodson, g, 4, **Omaha Beach**--A P Mink, by A.P. Indy. Canterbury, 8-9, 5fT, :57.21. Lifetime Record: 9-1-1-1, \$32,840. B-Summerhill Farm (KY). *\$50,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$200,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT.

Non Domicile, g, 4, **Promises Fulfilled**--Merada, by Speightstown. Del Mar, 8-8, (S), (C), 1mT, 1:35.78. Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-1, \$47,200. B-Richard Barton Enterprises (CA). *\$125,000 Ylg '23 FTCAYR.

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Anchor Down, King George, g, 3, o/o Do It, by Wild Gold. MSW, 8-9, Prairie Meadows

Barbados, Flirty Bajan, g, 3, o/o Flirtation Walk, by Outflanker. ALW, 8-8, Charles Town

Caracaro, Go K J Go, f, 4, o/o So Go So, by Mr. Greeley. ALW, 8-8, Canterbury

Caravaggio, Master of Light, g, 4, o/o Dictate Cool, by **Curlin**. AOC, 8-9, Ellis

Coal Front, Rome's Conquest, g, 4, o/o True Chick, by Yes It's True. ALW, 8-9, Prairie Meadows

Colonel Liam, Dasher, f, 2, o/o More Glory, by Jess's Dream. MSW, 8-9, Gulfstream

Combatant, Jackie Paper, g, 3, o/o Jackie's Disco, by Mo Mon. ALW, 8-9, Canterbury

Competitive Edge, Beach Colt (Chi), g, 7, o/o Summer Plot, by Harlan's Holiday. AOC, 8-9, Mountaineer

Corniche, Holmby, f, 2, o/o Candida H., by Lemon Drop Kid. GIII Sorrento S., 8-9, Del Mar

Curlin, **Curlin's** Gesture, g, 6, o/o Sky Gesture, by Tiznow. ALW, 8-8, Evangeline



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Early Voting, Miss Monica, f, 2, o/o Lipstikliesnlovers, by **American Pharoah**. MSW, 8-9, Del Mar

Epicenter, Mid American, c, 2, o/o Wampum Girl, by Exchange Rate. MSW, 8-9, Ellis

Girvin, Miss Anna, f, 2, o/o Miss Nina, by Empire Maker. MSW, 8-9, Ellis

Girvin, Stick Talk, c, 2, o/o Spiel, by Speightstown. MSW, 8-9, Gulfstream

Grazen, Charlie Neal, g, 4, o/o Amira J, by Sky Mesa. ALW, 8-9, Emerald Downs

Great Notion, The Big Lep, c, 3, o/o Oh So Lovely, by **Friesan Fire**. ALW, 8-8, Charles Town

Handsome Mike, Extendo, h, 6, o/o Jeekers, by Forest Wildcat. HCP, 8-9, Gulfstream

Higher Power, Risen Power, f, 3, o/o Tell a Great Story, by Bluegrass Cat. MSW, 8-9, Canterbury

Honor A. P., Altamira Sur, f, 4, o/o Diastole, by Lonhro (Aus). ALW, 8-9, Colonial Downs

Jimmy Creed, Barger, c, 2, o/o Katie O., by Yes It's True. MOC, 8-9, Woodbine

Kantharos, Jetaros, g, 6, o/o Jetbird, by Wildcat Heir. AOC, 8-9, Monmouth

King for a Day, Cachorrita, f, 2, o/o Knot Joking, by **Practical Joke**. MSW, 8-9, Canterbury

Kitten's Joy, Feline Curious, c, 3, o/o Agog, by More Than Ready. MSW, 8-9, Saratoga

Leinster, Elenique, f, 3, o/o Cape Trios, by Cape Blanco (Ire). MSW, 8-9, Gulfstream

Mendelssohn, Paseo, f, 3, o/o Walkabout, by Stroll. MSW, 8-9, Ellis

Midshipman, Bosun, g, 5, o/o Kipling's Joy, by Kipling. ALW, 8-9, Saratoga

Mitole, Mitole Princess, f, 4, o/o Prime Mistress, by Prime Timber. ALW, 8-8, Canterbury

More Than Ready, John the Beer Man, g, 5, o/o Trophy Wife, by Giant's Causeway. GII Troy S., 8-9, Saratoga

Not This Time, Conceit, f, 3, o/o Pachinko, by **Tapit**. Audubon Oaks Presented by OG Cappers, 8-9, Ellis

Not This Time, Daring Pursuit, f, 3, o/o Hermajestycommands, by War Front. MSW, 8-9, Del Mar

Not This Time, Frolicking, f, 3, o/o Cowboytakemeaway, by Street Cry (Ire). MSW, 8-9, Saratoga

Not This Time, Minute by Minute, f, 3, o/o Desert Duchess, by **Hard Spun**. AOC, 8-9, Monmouth

Not This Time, Jack's Time, c, 4, o/o Msbrooklynbrawler, by Into Mischief. Cyclones H., 8-8, Prairie Meadows

Omaha Beach, Johnny Hockey, c, 2, o/o Emilia's Moon, by Malibu Moon. MSW, 8-9, Monmouth

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Outwork, Jertango, g, 2, o/o Jersey Tango, by Jersey Town. MSW, 8-8, Prairie Meadows

Promises Fulfilled, Non Domicile, g, 4, o/o Merada, by Speightstown. MCL, 8-8, Del Mar

Quality Road, Excellent, c, 2, o/o Remarkable, by Indian Charlie. MSW, 8-9, Colonial Downs

Redesdale, M Bs Melanie Cares, f, 3, o/o Rahway, by Eskendereya. MCL, 8-9, Saratoga

Scalding, Induction, c, 2, o/o Right to Freedom, by **Constitution**. MSW, 8-9, Colonial Downs

Seeking the Soul, Holy Belle, f, 4, o/o Holy Empress, by Ghostzapper. AOC, 8-8, Century Mile

Shaman Ghost, Paynes Spirit, g, 4, o/o Buckden House, by Paynes Bay. AOC, 8-9, Woodbine

Souper Speedy, Speedy Bear, g, 5, o/o Bear's Molly, by Corinthian. AOC, 8-9, Woodbine

Speightstown, Owen Almighty, c, 4, o/o Tempers Rising, by Bayern. R.A. "Cowboy" Jones S. Presented by Coady Media, Ellis

Spun to Run, Five a Side, f, 4, o/o Kylbrylie, by Pulpit. Groupie Doll S. Presented by Coady Media, 8-9, Ellis

Tamarando, Matt At Five, g, 3, o/o Fast Breaking News, by Flower Alley. AOC, 8-8, Del Mar

Tapit, Memorized, f, 3, o/o Memories Prevail, by Creative Cause. AOC, 8-9, Del Mar

Thousand Words, Bulletproof Bess, f, 3, o/o Bessie's Bullet, by Wando. MSW, 8-8, Evangeline

Tiz the Law, Onebigbeautifulbill, c, 3, o/o Tizsomethingroyal, by Tizway. ALW, 8-9, Saratoga

Tonalist, Daytona Diamond, f, 2, o/o Zap Dance, by Ghostzapper. MSW, 8-8, Del Mar

Tonalist, Saint Dymphna, f, 2, o/o Courageous Angel, by Courageous Cat. MSW, 8-9, Saratoga

Uncle Mo, Completely Elegant, f, 3, o/o Itsagiantcauseway, by Giant's Causeway. MSW, 8-9, Mountaineer

Uncle Mo, Salahudin, c, 2, o/o Weekend Strike, by Smart Strike. Ellis Park Juvenile S. presented by Claiborne Farm, 8-9, Ellis

Unified, Double Salty, g, 3, o/o Streak of Silver, by Graydar. ALW, 8-8, Evangeline

Upstart, God's Pride, f, 3, o/o Funny Pepper, by Distorted Humor. ALW, 8-8, Charles Town

Upstart, Manuka Honey, f, 2, o/o Drop Dead Red, by Hold Me Back. Ellis Park Debutante S. presented by Hausmann Outdoor Solutions, 8-9, Ellis

Vekoma, Victory Song, c, 3, o/o Aye a Song, by Fiber Sonde. MSW, 8-9, Mountaineer

Volatile, Igniter, c, 3, o/o Malibu Prayer, by Malibu Moon. Ellis Park Derby presented by Hallway Feeds, 8-9, Ellis

War Front, Two Out Hero, c, 3, o/o Song River, by **Liam's Map**. AOC, 8-9, Woodbine

War of Will, Bootsontheground, g, 3, o/o Boots n' Battle, by Americain. MOC, 8-9, Woodbine



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'SHE'S VERY SPECIAL' - SUN GODDESS GIVES O'BRIEN 18TH PHOENIX



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By Tom Frary

Aidan O'Brien had won the Curragh's G1 Keeneland Phoenix Stakes on 17 occasions prior to Sunday's renewal, but **Sun Goddess** (**Sioux Nation**) produced a landmark of her own as she became the first filly to land the six-furlong feature for the current Ballydoyle handler.

Not an obvious 5-4 favourite for such a competitive affair on the formbook, the heavily-backed Airlie Stud Stakes winner and Albany runner-up showed why the money had come with scintillating acceleration to come from last and record a 1 1/4-length success from fellow TDN Rising Star **Folsom Blues** (Blue Point).

"She's very special we think," said the trainer. "She's a beautiful filly and, with the benefit of hindsight, went to Ascot probably a little under par and is obviously very high quality."

Runner-up to **Carry The Flag** (**No Nay Never**) on debut at Naas, before turning in a masterclass with a five-length success over this course and distance in May, Sun Goddess had surprisingly failed to deal with Libertango at the Royal meeting, before recording a workmanlike win in the Group 2 eight days later, and so the jury was slightly out. This emphatic display may have come as a surprise to the pundits, but evidently not to those closest to her who had witnessed her trajectory in the interim.

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MAURICE DE GHEEST GLORY FOR SAMANGAN By Tom Frary

Finding his niche on Sunday, **Samangan** (Blue Point) heaped more glory on the Aga Khan Studs and Francis Graffard during a golden spell for the partnership when capturing Deauville's G1 ARC Prix Maurice de Gheest staged in honour of the late Louis Romanet.

Slowly working his way up the ladder in recent months, last year's Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte winner, who had been a close fourth in the Prix Jean Prat over seven furlongs here last month, was positioned close to the early pace by Mickael Barzalona. Committed with 1 1/2 of the 6 1/2-furlong trip to race, the 9-1 shot stuck tenaciously to his guns to prevail by two short-neck margins from **Division** (**Kingman**) and **Stolen Kiss** (Chachnak).

Samangan's victory is a landmark first in this race for the operation and Princess Zahra Aga Khan later reflected on the stud's move away from the bias against this category. [Cont. p5](#)

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Luke Morris and William Butler, Sir Mark Prescott's long-serving assistant trainer, were all smiles following the victory of Tiffany (Farhh) in Sunday's G1 Westminster 136th Grosser Preis von Berlin at Hoppegarten. See p8 for details. | Racingfotos.com

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*The daughter of **Frankel** looked a high-class prospect when making a winning debut at Deauville on Sunday.*

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Anchored early by Ryan Moore with Carry The Flag providing the strong tempo up ahead, she was asked to swoop two out and responded in dramatic fashion to land in front less than a furlong later in an impressive show of sprinting power. Dropping back from seven furlongs, Folsom Blues stayed on best of the rest, while a further half a length away in third was the First Flier winner and Princess Margaret Stakes third **Veloze** (Sioux Nation).

"Before Ascot, she had a foot bruise for a few days and Ryan felt that when she got to the front there she tired a little bit, which can happen," O'Brien explained. "We took a chance running her back here a week afterwards and she did that on pure ability, but she had a good run into this and her work was beautiful."



Sun Goddess and Ryan Moore | Racingfotos.com

"She's a good-looking, slick filly and we were going to put the pace on today to find out whether she was a six-furlong filly or whether she would get seven and Ryan gave her a beautiful ride. He was very confident and said he was going to get there very late," he added of the winner, who was emulating her sire's success in 2017. "He said she ended up getting there too early, but then she went again whereas at Ascot she got tired."

Options are abundant for Ballydoyle's latest starlet, with O'Brien eyeing every possible target.

"She has a lot of gears and a very high cruising pace--Ryan said they went fast and when he started to ask her she motored clear and will have no problem

getting seven," he said. "She could go to the Moyglare, she could go to the Cheveley Park and she could go to America then if you wanted." **Cont. p4**



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Phoenix Stakes cont.

O'Brien continued, "When they have physical scope and a mind like that, and they're as clear-winded, I would imagine a mile shouldn't be any problem to her. I'd imagine she won't get much further."

With Alpha in the yard, O'Brien has what is becoming a customary annual quandary.

"Alpha could go to the Debutante, whereas this filly will be Group 1s all the way now," he added. "We'll try and keep them split up for as long as possible, but the Moyglare is a hard race to win and an important race, so the lads will decide what to do with them then. Alpha will get a mile and a quarter and could get a mile and a half next year, while a mile will be the top for this filly, but you could chance a mile at the Breeders' Cup maybe."

Pedigree Notes

Sun Goddess is the third foal out of the unraced Etoile Bleu (**Starspangledbanner**), a half-sister to the four-time South African Group winner Gibraltar Blue (Rock Of Gibraltar) and the Phoenix Sprint Stakes winner Scream Blue Murder (Oratorio). The latter's Listed-winning and Group 2-placed daughter Too

Soon To Panic (**Gleneagles**) is the dam of the recent Prix Jean Prat and Jersey Stakes hero These Secret Adversary (**St Mark's Basilica**). Etoile Bleu's yearling filly by Blue Point is catalogued to sell at Tattersalls October Book 1.

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KEENELAND PHOENIX STAKES-G1, €400,000, Curragh, 8-9, 2yo, 6fT, 1:09.67, g/f.

1--**SUN GODDESS (IRE)**, 128, f, 2, by **Sioux Nation**

1st Dam: Etoile Bleu (Ire), by **Starspangledbanner (Aus)**

2nd Dam: Holly Blue (GB), by Bluebird

3rd Dam: Nettle, by Kris (GB)

TDN Rising Star. 1ST GROUP 1 WIN. (£120,000 Ylg '25 GOFFUK). O-Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Westerberg; B-Owenstown Bloodstock Ltd; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. €240,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 5-3-2-0, \$420,767. **Werk Nick Rating: A++.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#), or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

2--**Folsom Blues (Ire)**, 131, c, 2, Blue Point (Ire)--Liwa Palace (GB), by Oasis Dream (GB). **TDN Rising Star. 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.** O/B-Al Shira'aa Racing Ltd; T-Joseph O'Brien. €80,000.

3--**Veloze (Ire)**, 128, f, 2, **Sioux Nation**--Ocean Life (Ire), by Territories (Ire). **1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.** (€92,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY). O-Gary Matthews, Steve Weston & Lucky Hat; B-Grange & Manister House Studs; T-Paddy Twomey. €40,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 1.25, 7.50, 11.00.

Also Ran: Carry The Flag (Ire), Tribeca (Ire), The Scallionator (Ire), Celeron (GB), King Of Cloughan (Ire).

Prix Maurice de Gheest cont. from p1

"It was certainly not a thing of the past, as my father didn't like sprinters--my great grandfather had them and we are adding back some speed so we can protect our Classic distance families as well," she said. "Certainly, for the moment, having some sprinters and middle-distance horses is lovely."

She added, "I thank Francis and Mickael, as they had a plan for this and Mickael knew exactly where he wanted to be and who he wanted to follow and he did exactly that. The horse then showed his turn of foot and that was fantastic. He did what we knew he could do in the mornings, but wasn't showing in the afternoons."

One of the most precocious and fastest juveniles the stud has produced since **Siyouni**, Samangan first won at this meeting last August, before taking to Chantilly to dominate the Prix Eclipse and Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte. Pointed to the 2,000 Guineas following his comeback second over seven in the Prix Djebel here, the homebred was forced out of the picture by unsatisfactory bloodwork and may not have been at his best when subsequently fourth in the six-furlong Prix Texanita staged on unsuitably heavy ground later in May. [Cont. p6](#)

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Sixth in Royal Ascot's Commonwealth Cup and beaten around a length in the Jean Prat, he was building a head of steam heading to this test but remained in need of a big one to place on his resume. Positioned close to the leader **Afandy** (Mehmas), who had been given too much rope by Barzalona in the Djebel, Samangan moved first of the principals and was there to be taken down late by the mercurial Division and the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Stakes fourth Stolen Kiss but dug in with grit to see it out.

Graffard, who had been presented with the Cheval d'Or as France's leading trainer for 2025 at the Gala des Courses the evening before, was relieved that the winner had come good on one of the biggest stages at last.

"He is a colt we have always held in high regard, but things didn't go as planned at the beginning of the season," he said. "He needed to gain experience and so his races have toughened him up and this victory is the result of that. Today, he was able to produce his effort in a very composed way, without rushing and I am very pleased for the team at home."

He added, "His next target could be the Prix de la Foret, provided the ground is not too testing for him. He is a Group 1 winner and exceptionally well-bred, so he has earned his place at stud as a stallion. My job is done!"



Samangan (green) | Scoop Dyga

Maureen Haggas said of Division, who was flashing home late as he had in the Commonwealth Cup, "There probably simply wasn't enough pace for him, but he finished like a rocket and ran an excellent race."

Wathnan's Richard Brown echoed that sentiment, saying, "I simply think pace is essential for him. He needs them to go fast. Today, there just wasn't any pace which is not something that happens very often in a Group 1 sprint." [Cont. p7](#)

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Prix Maurice de Gheest cont.

Gousserie Racing's Pauline Chehboub said of Stolen Kiss, "Once again, you cannot fault him. He has run a superb race, finishing behind three-year-olds who benefit from the weight allowance and the way the race unfolded left him just a little further off the leaders than ideal. Even so, he ran remarkably well and keeps knocking on the door at Group 1 level--I just hope he

manages to win one. He is entered in the Sprint Cup at Haydock. We will discuss it with our partner Louis Baudron and his trainer Patrice Cottier."

Aidan O'Brien said of the 23-10 favourite **True Love (No Nay Never)**, who was close up in fifth, "Wayne [Lordan] wasn't disappointed with her run too much--he probably would have preferred them to go a bit stronger early. They started quickening from halfway and she got a little bit flat but then kept coming. When they're coming back from a mile, it just makes it all that little bit more tricky.

"She could go to York over seven, but that would be a quick turnaround so we'll see how she is. If not, she would probably end up in America or even in Australia at the end of the year for the seven-furlong race in Sydney on slowish ground."

Pedigree Notes

Samangan, who becomes the fifth Group 1 winner for his sire, is out of the winning Samadrissa (Oasis Dream), who is also responsible for the Listed winner Simeen (Lope De Vega) and is kin to three stakes winners, headed by the Prix de Diane, Prix Saint-Alary and Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud heroine and Arc third Sarafina (Refuse To Bend).

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Sarafina is in turn the dam of three stakes performers by Deep Impact, including the Prix Messidor-winning sire Geniale and the Prix d'Aumale scorer Savarin, while her half-sister Sanaya (Barathea) was runner-up in the Saint-Alary when it was still a Group 1. Also connected to the Grosser Preis von Berlin hero Simca Mille (Tamayuz), Samadrissa has a yearling filly by **Vadeni** and a filly foal by **Auguste Rodin**.

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Sunday, Deauville, France

ARC PRIX MAURICE DE GHEEST - FONDS EUROPEEN DE L'ELEVAGE - EN MEMOIRE DE LOUIS ROMANET-G1, €380,000, Deauville, 8-9, 3yo/up, 6 1/2ft, 1:16.40, gd.

1--**SAMANGAN (IRE)**, 127, c, 3, by **Blue Point (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Samadrissa (Ire)**, by **Oasis Dream (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Sanariya (Ire)**, by **Darshaan (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Sanamia (Ire)**, by **Top Ville (Ire)**

1ST GROUP 1 WIN. O/B-Aga Khan Studs; T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Mickael Barzalona. €217,132. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, €424,320. *1/2 to Simeen (Fr) (Lope De Vega {Ire}), SW-Fr. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#), or the [free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

2--**Division (GB)**, 127, c, 3, **Kingman (GB)**--Pepita (Ire), by Sir Prancealot (Ire). (800,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT). O-Wathnan Racing; B-Rockcliffe Stud; T-William Haggas. €86,868.

3--**Stolen Kiss (Fr)**, 131, c, 4, Chachnak (Fr)--Satiriste (GB), by Shamardal. **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP 1 BLACK TYPE.** (€240,000 RNA HRA '25 ARQAUT). O-Louis Baudron & Gousserie Racing; B-Louis Baudron; T-Patrice Cottier. €43,434. Margins: SNK, SNK, 3/4. Odds: 8.70, 5.30, 2.50.

Also Ran: Take Charge Star (Ire), True Love (Ire), Rosy Affair (GB), Wise Approach (Ire), How Are You (Ire), Afandy (Fr), Mise En Boite (Fr), Summer Sail (Ire). Scratched: My Calyx Cen (Ire).

TIFFANY SHAKES OFF BRIDESMAID TAG AT LAST IN BERLIN *By Tom Frary*

Second best three times in the biggest prizes in Germany prior to Sunday, Elite Racing's **Tiffany** (Farhh) finally made the breakthrough in Sunday's G1 Westminster 136th Grosser Preis von Berlin.

Sent off the 17-10 favourite for the 12-furlong feature, the Sir Mark Prescott-trained six-year-old was ridden along from the break to hold her position on the inner and ended up halfway down the field after the early stages.

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Grosser Preis von Berlin cont.

Staying on to gain the advantage in the final 50 metres, the homebred held on to prevail by a neck from the outsider **Bright Light** (City Light), with half a length back to the evergreen **Dubai Future** (Dubawi) in third.

A winner of Baden-Baden's T.von Zastrow Stutenpreis two years ago, Tiffany had found one too good in both the 2024 and 2025 renewals of the Grosser Preis von Bayern and in the Preis

von Europa in September. Having also been overhauled last time in the Lancashire Oaks staged in her home town of Newmarket, this was a welcome turnaround in her fortunes and jockey Luke Morris was buoyant in the immediate aftermath.

"She's been a star for the owners and all the team at home, is very brave and tries very hard," he said. "She's been unfortunate to be second a few times and today she showed her heart to get her Group 1. Everyone has been very patient and it's fantastic they have been rewarded."

Pedigree Notes

Tiffany, who becomes her sire's fourth at this level, is a daughter of Affinity (Sadler's Wells), who is a half to the syndicate's dream mare Soviet Song (Marju). Successful five times in Group 1 company, that champion is one of eight females out of Kalinka (Soviet Star), with six of them proving stakes producers in their own right. Among her descendants are the likes of the Nunthorpe and Prix de l'Abbaye heroine Marsha (Acclamation), the Prix Jean Romanet heroine Ribbons (Manduro) and that mare's Melbourne Cup runner-up Soulcombe (**Frankel**). Having also produced the Listed-placed Zest (Duke Of Marmalade) and Harmonica (Pivotal), Affinity has an unraced three-year-old colt by **Bated Breath**.

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1--TIFFANY (IRE), 129, m, 6, by Farhh (GB)**1st Dam: Affinity (GB), by Sadler's Wells****2nd Dam: Kalinka (Ire), by Soviet Star****3rd Dam: Tralthee, by Tromos (GB)****1ST GROUP 1 WIN.** O/B-Elite Racing Club; T-Sir Mark Prescott;

J-Luke Morris. €100,000. Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Eng,

SP-Fr, 18-8-7-1, €487,865. *1/2 to Zest (Ire) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}. MSP-Eng; and Harmonica (GB) (Pivotal {GB})),

SP-Ity. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the****eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the****free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.****RAISED AT MOUNT COOTE STUD, IRELAND****2--Bright Light (Fr), 122, c, 3, City Light (Fr)--Brighton Blues**(Ger), by Sakhee. **1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE; 1ST GROUP 1****BLACK TYPE.** (€5,000 RNA Ylg '24 OSASEP). O-Stall Melfi;

B-Alexander Rom; T-Andreas Suborics. €30,000.

3--Dubai Future (GB), 132, g, 10, Dubawi (Ire)--Anjaz, by Street

Cry (Ire). O/B-Godolphin; T-Saeed bin Suroor. €15,000.

Margins: NK, HF, HD. Odds: 1.70, 20.80, 13.00.

Also Ran: Tornado Alert (Ire), Global Health (Fr), Almeric (GB),

Abachi (Ger), Innora (Ger), Hochkonig (Ger), Dardanos (Ger).

WINNING RETURN FOR DISTANT STORM AT DEAUVILLE *By Tom Frary*

Reappearing from a break after placing in two Guineas in the spring, Godolphin's **Distant Storm** (Night Of Thunder) regained the winning thread in Sunday's G3 Prix Daphnis at Deauville.

Third in the Newmarket Classic and runner-up in the Irish equivalent, the 3-5 favourite was anchored in mid-division throughout the early stages of the mile contest by Billy Loughnane. Working to get to the outsider **Grand Son Of Dark** (Dark Angel) inside the last 50 metres, he asserted to prevail by a length, with **Segall** (Sottsass) 3 1/2 lengths away in third.

"I ended up a little bit further back than ideal. He was a little bit sleepy jumping from the gate, but the pace was even throughout which was ideal," Loughnane said. "Having a target to run at was great, as he's a horse who doesn't do too much once he's there and he won cosily in the end. He takes a little bit of time to pick up, but when he does he's electric to the line."

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Prix Daphnis cont.

He added, "He's a horse who's now relaxing super. He got a little bit keen in the early days of his two-year-old career, but he's racing behind the bridle and I think an extra couple of furlongs won't go amiss."

Charlie Appleby said, "He hasn't done too much wrong this season, but I felt we never really hit the straps with him in both Guineas and he needed a break. He's done well for it and it was the plan to have pace in there and give him a target. He moved into it nicely and stepping up to ten will be the way forward with him. I do think he'll be better on ground that's not this quick and he might want a bit of time off after that."

Pedigree Notes

Last year's €1.9 million Arqana May Breeze-up topper, Distant Storm is a son of George Washington's only progeny Date With Destiny, who also produced the Royal Whip Stakes winner Beautiful Morning (Galileo), in turn the dam of Night Of Thunder's Group 3-placed Life Is Beautiful. Her Group 3-winning half-sister Ombre Legere (Double Bed) produced the Japanese Group 3 winner Germinal (Agnes Tachyon), while she is also kin to the Garden City Breeders' Cup Handicap runner-up Flawly (Old Vic) who is in turn responsible for the Group 3 winners Best Name (King's Best) and February Sun (Monsun), with the former also second in the Prix du Jockey Club. Date With Destiny's two-year-old filly by Ghaiyyath is named Date Of Destiny.

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Sunday, Deauville, France

PRIX DAPHNIS - JOCKEY CLUB ARGENTINO (ARG)-G3, €73,200, Deauville, 8-8, 3yo, 8fT, 1:39.41, gd.

1--DISTANT STORM (GB), 127, c, 3, Night Of Thunder (Ire)

**1st Dam: Date With Destiny (Ire) (SP-Eng),
by George Washington (Ire)**

2nd Dam: Flawlessly (Fr), by Rainbow Quest

3rd Dam: Pauvresse (Fr), by Home Guard

TDN Rising Star. (90,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT; €1,900,000 2yo '25 ARQBRU). O-Godolphin; B-Newsells Park Stud; T-Charlie Appleby; J-Billy Loughnane. €36,600. Lifetime Record: GSW & MG1SP-Eng, G1SP-Ire, 7-3-1-3, €339,208. *1/2 to Beautiful Morning (GB) (Galileo {Ire}), GSW-Ire & SW-Eng. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#)

2--Grand Son Of Dark (Ire), 130, c, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Chica Bonita (GB), by Lope De Vega (Ire). (£52,000 Ylg '24 GOUKPR). O-Fabio Manservigi; B-Alexander Bloodstock; T-Endo Botti. €14,640.

Purchased by Marco Bozzi Bloodstock

3--Segall (Ire), 130, c, 3, Sottsass (Fr)--Spain Burg (Fr), by Sageburg (Ire). **TDN Rising Star.** (€90,000 Ylg '24 ARQUG). O-Ecurie David R Layani Famille; B-White Birch Farm & SCEA Haras de Saint Pair; T-Andre & Lavinia Fabre. €10,980.

Margins: 1, 3HF, 3/4. Odds: 0.60, 18.50, 38.70.

Also Ran: Saint Arnoult (Fr), Lyneham (Fr), Wild Desert (Ire), Campacite (Fr), Khovikhov (Fr), Lord Clover (Ire), Wootton Centurion (Ire), Synaran (Ire), Komorebi (Ire).

BIG MOJO BACK IN THE GROOVE

By Tom Frary

Without a win or a place since mastering the Haydock Sprint Cup in September, **Big Mojo** (Mohaather) had the perfect scenario at the Curragh on Sunday and duly regained the winning thread in the G3 Phoenix Sprint Stakes.

Granted a hard tempo to run at courtesy of track specialist **Bucanero Fuerte** (Wootton Bassett), the 5-4 favourite overhauled that rival approaching the furlong pole en route to a 1 1/4-length success.

"We brought him here just to give him a bit more confidence really," trainer Mick Appleby said. "I think he was just lacking that with the big races he's run in."

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"Now he's got his head back in front, hopefully, he'll go and do it again," Appleby continued. "He's as good as ever. He's just got a bit more laid-back like me! He only did what he wanted to do and there's a lot more there."

Pedigree Notes

Big Mojo is the first foal out of the Listed-placed JM Jackson (**No Nay Never**), a full-sister to the Listed winner Singforthemoment, who hails from the family of Selkirk's sire Trans Island and the Belmont Gold Cup winner Baron Samedi (Harbour Watch). Also connected to the champion sprinter College Chapel, JM Jackson's yearling colt is by Showcasing.

Sunday, Curragh, Ireland**FBD HOTELS AND RESORTS PHOENIX SPRINT STAKES-G3,**

€70,000, Curragh, 8-9, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:09.36, g/f.

1--**BIG MOJO (IRE)**, 133, c, 4, by **Mohaather (GB)**

1st Dam: Jm Jackson (Ire) (SP-Eng), by **No Nay Never**

2nd Dam: **Kawn (GB)**, by **Cadeaux Genereux (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Khubza (GB)**, by **Green Desert**

(175,000gns Ylg '23 TADEY). O-RP Racing Ltd; B-Ringfort Stud Ltd & The Ladies; T-Michael Appleby; J-Tom Marquand.

€42,000. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Eng, 16-4-3-0, \$825,445.

Werk Nick Rating: F. Click for the

eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree, or the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.

2--**Bucanero Fuerte (GB)**, 133, h, 5, Wootton Bassett (GB)--Frida La Blonde (Fr), by Elusive City. (€165,000 Ylg '22 ARQAUG).

O-Amo Racing Ltd & Giselle De Aguiar; B-Gestut Zur Kuste AG; T-Robson Aguiar. €14,000.

3--**James's Delight (Ire)**, 133, g, 5, Invincible Army (Ire)--Heavens Peak (GB), by Pivotal (GB). (€16,000 Wlg '21 GOFNO1;

€55,000 Ylg '22 GOFSP). O-Paul & Clare Rooney; B-Newtown Stud; T-Clive Cox. €7,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 1.25, 4.00, 4.00.

Also Ran: Bodhi Bear (Ire), Big Gossey (Ire).



Prince Faisal's Kalimaat earned 'TDN Rising Star' status when making a winning debut at Deauville on Sunday | Scoop Dyga

FRANKEL'S KALIMAAT DELIVERS RISING STAR PERFORMANCE IN DEAUVILLE DEBUT

By Sean Cronin

Prince Faisal's **Kalimaat** (**Frankel**), who hails from the family of Invincible Spirit (Green Desert), was sent postward as the 23-10 favourite for Sunday's Prix Club Hipico Santiago at Deauville and returned with a TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard, after delivering an impressive debut display in the seven-furlong maiden. She becomes the 52nd Rising Star for her sire.

"Kalimaat has always had a very good stride on her and today showed she is very capable of changing gears too," said racing manager Ted Voute. "Andre [Fabre] has not yet confirmed where she will race next, but her main target will be the [Oct. 4 G1] Prix Marcel Boussac [at ParisLongchamp on the Arc undercard]."

Breaking in rear before easing forward to track the leaders in fifth through halfway, she was shaken up along the far-side rail soon after passing the quarter-mile marker and drew off late once seizing control with 100 metres remaining to easily defeat **Divina Fe** (Calyx) by a widening 2 1/2 lengths.

Kalimaat, half-sister to a yearling colt by Havana Grey, is the fourth of five foals and first scorer out of a half-sister to G2 Superlative Stakes third Seventh Kingdom (**Frankel**) and Listed Guisborough Stakes third Lahore (Elusive Quality).

Her G1 Gran Criterium-winning second dam Nayarra (Cape Cross) is a daughter of the dual Group-placed Listed Empress Stakes victrix Massarra (Danehill) and thus kin to six black-type performers, including the multiple Group 1-placed sire Gustav Klimt (Galileo) and G1 St James's Palace Stakes third Mars (Galileo).

The winner's fourth dam is the operation's G1 Prix de Diane-winning matriarch Rafha (Kris).

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2nd-Deauville, €27,400, Mdn, 8-9, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:26.00, gd.

KALIMAAT (GB), f, 2, by Frankel (GB)

1st Dam: Sooda, by Street Cry (Ire)

2nd Dam: Nayarra (Ire), by Cape Cross (Ire)

3rd Dam: Massarra (GB), by Danehill

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,700. **Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Company Ltd; T-Andre & Lavinia Fabre; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot.

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GSTAAD TO MISS PRIX JACQUES LE MAROIS; VICTORIOUS POTENTIALLY FINISHED FOR THE SEASON



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The Prix du Moulin de Longchamp could be the next port of call for **Gstaad** after the Irish 2,000 Guineas winner was ruled out of next weekend's Prix Jacques le Marois due to an infection.

Trained by Aidan O'Brien, the son of **Starspangledbanner** was last seen occupying the runner-up spot in the Sussex Stakes at Goodwood, chasing home Bow Echo (Night Of Thunder) for the third time this season, having also finished second behind that rival in both the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket and St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Whilst Bow Echo remains in contention to put his unbeaten record on the line in the Prix Jacques le Marois, Gstaad will definitely not be in the line-up for the Group 1 feature at Deauville on Sunday, August 16.

"He got galloped into in Goodwood and he got a little bit of an infection in his hind part from it," trainer Aidan O'Brien explained. "With the antibiotics we put him on, usually we'd be able to run him in seven days, but they had to give him an extra strong antibiotic because the cut was deep so it took 14 days. It wouldn't be out of his system in time [to run in the Prix Jacques le Marois]."

"It will probably be the Moulin now before he runs. That's probably where he'll go."

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Great Barrier Reef (left) | Mathea Kelley

Aidan O'Brien cont.

O'Brien also provided an update on Royal Ascot-winning juveniles **Great Barrier Reef** (No Nay Never) and **Victorious** (Wootton Bassett), both notable absentees from Sunday's Phoenix Stakes won by stablemate Sun Goddess (**Sioux Nation**).

The Prix Morny at Deauville is under consideration for Coventry Stakes winner Great Barrier Reef, while there is a chance that Victorious might have run her final race of the campaign when last seen landing the Queen Mary Stakes.

"Victorious was a little bit off, so she'll have a little bit of time off," O'Brien added. "Whether we run her for the rest of the season, I'm not sure. If there's anything [wrong], we'll wait with her because she's travelled and she's a lot of experience. If we're not 100% happy with her, she's finished for the season."

"Great Barrier Reef had a spot of ringworm, that's why he didn't come here for the Phoenix Stakes. It's gone and it's dead, but you have to give them a couple of weeks when that happens. With the horse from Goodwood [Richmond Stakes winner Man's Best Friend], today was coming a bit too quick, so it will be between him and Great Barrier Reef for the Prix Morny, we think."

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FIRST-SEASON SIRES WITH RUNNERS

Monday, August 10, 2026:

UNITED KINGDOM

Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud
85 foals of racing age/12 winners/2 black-type winners
15:30-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, **Bollengo Boy (Ire)**
58,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025

Perfect Power (Ire) (Ardad {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud
57 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
13:45-AYR, 6f, **La Flor Granada (GB)**
27,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; 40,000gns
Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025
15:30-KEMPTON PARK, 8f, **Lady Miranda (GB)**
65,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; €85,000 Goffs
Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud
99 foals of racing age/16 winners/1 black-type winner
13:45-AYR, 6f, **Ashina (Ire)**
€60,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 200,000gns Tattersalls
October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025
15:00-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Find Your Fire (Ire)**
€29,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; £27,000 Goffs UK
Premier Yearling Sale 2025; £25,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up
Sale 2026
15:00-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Storm Force Ten (Ire)**
€50,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 35,000gns Tattersalls
October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025
18:15-WINDSOR, 6f, **Keep Kicking On (Ire)**
€25,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €85,000 Tattersalls
Ireland September Yearling 2025

Sealiway (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), Haras de Beaumont
85 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
14:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Tikka (GB)**
27,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; €30,000 Goffs
Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

Texas (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), Castillon Stallions
29 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
15:00-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Celtic Storm (Fr)**
€45,000 Arqana Deauville October Yearlings 2025

FRANCE

Minzaal (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Derrinstown Stud
115 foals of racing age/9 winners/1 black-type winner
2-CLAIREFONTAINE, 1800m, **Diciamo (Ire)**
€15,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale 2025; £30,000 RNA Goffs
UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

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HOW THEY FARED

2.15 Curragh, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT

Raging Bull (Ire) (Wootton Bassett {GB}), the half-brother to Precise (**Starspangledbanner**), ran an encouraging race on debut to be seventh with the promise of much better to come.

BRITAIN

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Eastern Queen (Ire), f, 2, **Kodi Bear (Ire)**--Slovak (Ire), by Iffraaj (GB). Chepstow, 8-9, 6f 16yT, 1:12.45. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$6,368. B-Rathbarry Stud. *€4,000 Ylg '25 GOAUJR.

Jimtrott (Ire), c, 2, **No Nay Never**--Aspirante (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Myboycharlie (Ire). Leicester, 8-9, 7fT, 1:24.40. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$17,285. B-Lynch Bages, Camas Park & Summerhill Bloodstock. *110,000gns Ylg '25 TATOCT.

IRELAND

Sunday's Results:

2nd-Curragh, €35,000, Cond, 8-9, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:22.85, g/f.

IBELIEVEICANFLY (f, 2, Frankel {GB})--That Which Is Not {SW & GSP-Fr}, by Elusive Quality, put in her place by her much-vaunted stablemate Alpha here in June, before failing to fire when fourth over this came course and distance last month, followed the strong pace set by stablemate Exceptionally (Into Mischief) throughout the early stages. Overwhelming that half-sister to **City Of Troy** a furlong out, the 13-8 favourite surged to the line to record a five-length success from another of the yard's runners in Speckles (**No Nay Never**).

"The better the race, the better she is going to be," Aidan O'Brien said. "She has such a high cruising pace. In an ordinary-run maiden she is just in a gear too high. She has a lot of class, there was plenty of pace on and Ryan was very happy with her."

The Listed-winning and Group 2-placed dam, who is also responsible for the Ballysax Stakes winner and Irish Derby runner-up Piz Badile (Ulysses) and the Gladness Stakes scorer and dual Group-placed Yosemite Valley (Shamardal), is a daughter of the top-class Tattersalls Gold Cup heroine Shiva (Hector Protector). From the family of **Footstepsinthesand**'s Gimcrack Stakes and Champagne Stakes-winning sire Threat and the Prix Hocquart winner L'Astronome by Ibelieveicanfly's sire

Frankel, as well as Shiva's Oaks-winning half-sister Light Shift (Kingmambo) and her high-class sire son Ulysses by **Frankel**'s sire Galileo, That Which Is Not's 2025 colt and 2026 filly are by **Justify**.

Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$35,137.

O-Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith & Mrs John Magnier & Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd; B-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt & Flaxman Holdings Ltd (KY); T-Aidan O'Brien.



Push The Boat Out | *Racingfotos.com*

1st-Curragh, €25,000, Mdn, 8-9, 2yo, 6fT, 1:10.59, g/f.

PUSH THE BOAT OUT (IRE) (c, 2, Kodi Bear {Ire})--Brief Angel {Ire}, by Dark Angel {Ire}, sent off at 16-1, travelled ominously strongly towards the stands' side tracking the early leaders. Staying on powerfully to gain the edge with half a furlong remaining, the newcomer asserted to beat Marco Polo (Night Of Thunder) by 1 1/4 lengths.

"He's a lovely colt--Michael thought he was a little bit undercooked and would step forward so, if he can do that when he's undercooked, he'll be a lovely horse when he's fully done," jockey Colin Keane said. "He travelled very easily and, if anything, if they went a bit quicker it would have suited him better again."

Trainer Michael O'Callaghan added, "He's a horse that we've held in high regard since the moment we got him and he's very natural. He has an entry in the National Stakes and Colin thinks he'll have no problem going into stakes company. He could be a high-class stakes horse and, while he is very fast, he'll have no problem going up another furlong. He's bred to stretch out to a mile, but I don't know as he is so fast."

The dam is a daughter of the 1,000 Guineas Trial runner-up Brief Sentiment (Brief Truce), whose son An Saighdiur by Dark Angel's sire Acclamation took the Cork Sprint Stakes and was placed in the Greenlands Stakes.

1st-Curragh cont.

From the family of the Chester Vase winner and Futurity Stakes runner-up Nomrood (Alleged), the Arc hero and leading sire Levmoos and the brilliant stayer Le Moss, Brief Angel's 2025 and 2026 foals are full-sisters to the winner.

Sales history: 37,000gns Ylg '25 TADEY; £89,250 2yo '26 TATGBU. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$17,338. O-Push The Boat Out Partnership; B-Clive Cox; T-Michael O'Callaghan.

3rd-Curragh, €25,000, Mdn, 8-9, 2yo, 7fT, 1:23.96, g/f. SHAKESPEARE (GB) (c, 2, Dubawi {Ire}--Lady Bowthorpe {GB} {G1SW-Eng}, by Nathaniel {Ire}), third on debut in the course-and-distance Barronstown Stud maiden, before being turned over at 4-9 at Leopardstown last month, was sent straight to the front by Ryan Moore in this Guiddenstown Stud Irish EBF Maiden won recently by **Delacroix**, Diego Velazquez, Al Riffa and Thunder Moon. Maintaining to the line, the son of the Nassau heroine Lady Bowthorpe (Nathaniel), who cost 1.3 million gns at Tattersalls October Book 1, had two 1 1/2-length margins to spare over the Joseph O'Brien-trained newcomers Benown (**Starspangledbanner**) and Loughrea N Roll (Lope De Vega).

"He's a big powerful horse who does everything right, but he's a little bit of a baby and that's why it took two runs for him to get to where he is," Aidan O'Brien said. "He was too green and all he wanted to do was run off the bend last time at Leopardstown and he's still not there. He has a lot of quality and a lot of ability and is in that could-be-anything category I'd say. He has the size, power, quality, speed and stamina--everything.

"Mentally, he is still a little bit babyish, but that'll do him good being able to make the running today and it's lovely that he's had three runs before stepping into a Group race. He was ready to go forward today and it was a no-nonsense ride from Ryan--when he caught hold of him he got down and stretched. Hopefully he's going to be something to look forward to."



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The winner is the second foal and first runner out of the talented dam, who also captured the Dahlia Stakes and Valiant Stakes and was placed in the Lockinge and Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. A half to the four-time Group-winning sprinter Speak In Colours (Excelebration), who was also third in the Prix de la Foret, Lady Bowthorpe's yearling son of Too Darn Hot is due to sell at the upcoming Tattersalls October Book 1. She also has a filly foal by Wootton Bassett.

Sales history: 1,300,000gns Ylg '25 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$25,399. O-Brant/Magnier/Tabor/Smith/Westerberg; B-ELB Bloodstock Ltd; T-Aidan O'Brien.

FRANCE

Sunday's Results:

PRIX DU CERCLE - HIPODROMO PALERMO 150 ANIVERSARIO (ARG)-Listed, €47,600, Deauville, 8-9, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.62, gd.

1--SHIRI (FR), 121, f, 3, Mehmas (Ire)--Tiffilia (Ire), by Macho Uno. 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€80,000 RNA Ylg '24 ARQAUG).

O-Chauvigny Global Equine SASU, Haras de la Haie Neuve, Philip Prevost Baratte, Guillaume Giroux & Seror Racing Management; B-Chauvigny Global Equine SASU, Haras de la Haie Neuve, Guillaume Giroux & Seror Racing Management; T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Mickael Barzalona. €23,800. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, €80,490. *1/2 to Manu Et Corde (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}), GSP-Ire.

2--Washington Heights (GB), 131, g, 6, Washington DC (Ire)--Epping Rose (Ire), by Kodiak (GB). (£24,000 Ylg '21 GOFFUK). O-Hambleton Racing Ltd XXVII; B-Bearstone Stud Ltd; T-Kevin Ryan. €9,520.

3--Zodiac (Ire), 125, f, 4, Kodiak (GB)--Wizz Kid (Ire), by Whipper. O/B-Ballylinch Stud; T-Gerald Mosse. €7,140. Margins: 2, HD, HD. Odds: 10.20, 10.50, 8.80. Also Ran: Ponntos (Ire), Profumo Di Iena (Fr), Regional (GB), Estepona (Fr), Charibelle (Ire), Baileys Bachelor (Fr), Jawwal (Fr), Sternle (Ire), Jangir (Fr), Monteille (GB).

Two-for-two before coming unstuck in the Prix de Cabourg here 12 months ago, Shiri was next seen upstaging her highly-regarded stablemate How Are You at Chantilly in April, before running fourth in the Prix Marchand d'Or back there the following month. Off a break, the homebred showed her class with a dynamic effort to open her black-type account here. Towards the rear initially, she was angled towards the wing of the group racing up the centre and powered by useful yardsticks to dominate from a furlong out.

The dam, who has also produced the Beresford Stakes runner-up Manu Et Corde (Teofilo), hails from the family of Teofilo's Criterium de Saint-Cloud hero Gear Up and his Eyrefield Stakes-winning full-brother Guaranteed. **Cont. p17**

Prix du Cercle cont.

Descended from the Kentucky Oaks heroine Dispute (Danzig), she hails from the direct line of the brilliant juvenile and leading sire Bold Lad.

PRIX MOONLIGHT CLOUD - HIPODROMO DE SAN ISIDRO

(ARG)-Listed, €50,300, Deauville, 8-9, 3yo, 6fT, 1:08.88, gd.

1--BEHIKE (IRE), 126, c, 3, by Night Of Thunder (Ire)

1st Dam: Sagrada Familia (GB), by Golden Horn (GB)

2nd Dam: Longing To Dance (GB), by Danehill Dancer (Ire)

3rd Dam: Palacegate Episode (Ire), by Drumalis (Ire)

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. (€210,000 Wlg '23 GOFNOF; 500,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT) O-Al Shaqab Racing & Amo Racing Ltd; B-Irish National Stud Mare Syndicate IV; T-George Scott; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. €25,150. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, €68,283.

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2--Moojeed (Fr), 126, c, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Sierchik (Ire), by Siyouni (Fr). (€320,000 Ylg '24 ARQOCT). O-Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum; B-Rashit Shaykhutdinov; T-Francis-Henri Graffard. €10,060.

3--Fire Fly (Fr), 122, f, 3, Golden Horde (Ire)--Whipcorse (Fr), by Whipper. (€60,000 Ylg '24 ARQOCT). O-Annua Racing SL, Ecurie Altima & Marc-Antoine Berghgracht; B-Haras de Grandcamp, Gerard L Ferron & Christopher Hogg; T-Mauricio Delcher Sanchez. €7,545.

Margins: 2, SNK, NK. Odds: 1.50, 6.80, 20.60.

Also Ran: Kalkara (Fr), Pas Dansant (Fr), Miss Chiquita (Fr), Kailani (Fr), Hallo Spaceboy (GB), Agiota (Fr), No Tune (GB), Imperior (Fr), Inju (GB), Bourgoin (Fr), Canalejas (Fr).

Momentarily out of his depth when supplemented to Royal Ascot's King Charles III Stakes, Behike returned undeterred by that experience to run big against his elders in a handicap there and stepped up again here to announce his arrival on the sprinting scene. Always travelling strongly racing up the strip that the previous Listed winner had followed, he was in command before the furlong marker and was strong to the line for an authoritative success.

"He is a strong traveller, he is a lovely mover and has huge speed," jockey Pierre Boudot said. "He's a nice horse. I think he can step up and is an interesting horse over five or six furlongs. He's a big, raw horse and I'm not sure about slow ground."

The dam is a half-sister to the Prix de Psyche winner Be My Gal (Galileo), in turn the dam of last month's highly promising Distaff Stakes-winning three-year-old Secret Of Life (Pinatubo). She is connected to Medicean's Middle Park and Prix Morny-winning champion sire Dutch Art and his Blandford Stakes-winning and Poule d'Essai des Poulisches-placed half-sister Up (Galileo), whose progeny list includes the Lake Placid Stakes winner Aspray (Quality Road) and the Phoenix Stakes runner-up

Monarch Of Egypt (American Pharoah). Her two-year-old colt by Invincible Spirit is named Montecristo Bay, while she also has a yearling filly by Gleneagles sold for €75,000 to South Toledo at Goffs November and a filly foal by Shouldvebeenaring.



Behike | Scoop Dyga

1st-Deauville, €27,400, Mdn, 8-9, 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:26.53, gd.

THE HIGHLIGHT (IRE) (c, 2, Dark Angel {Ire}--Silva {Ire} {GSW-Fr & SW-UAE}, by Kodiak {GB}), a May 1 debut third tackling six furlongs at Saint-Cloud in his only prior start, settled off the pace in sixth after an alert getaway here. Improving into fifth on the home turn, the 79-10 chance came under pressure in early straight and kept on in resolute fashion to deny Zen Poetry (Sea The Stars) by a short-neck nearing the line.

He retains tickets for the Sept. 6 G3 Prix La Rochette and Oct. 4 G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere.

The Highlight is the latest of three foals and second scorer produced by G3 Prix Bertrand de Tarragon victrix Silva (Kodiak), herself a half-sister to G3 Prix Sigy-winning sire Fas (Fastnet Rock) and to the dam of G3 Prix Texanita winner Dostoievsky (Hello Youmzain).

His stakes-placed second dam Sotka (Dutch Art) is a half-sister to five-time Group 1 winner Sole Power (Kyllachy) and G3 Cornwallis Stakes runner-up Cornus (Inchinnor). Sales history: €210,000 Ylg '25 ARQAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, €17,536. O-Mme Sandrine Gavrois; B-Ecurie des Monceaux & Zalim Bifoy; T-Patrice Cottier.

2nd-Le Lion d'Angers, €24,700, Cond, 8-9, 2yo, 7fT, 1:24.97, gd.

TIMIDE (c, 2, Wootton Bassett {GB}--Mulette {GB} {SW-Fr}, by Deep Impact {Jpn}) asserted for early control of this debut. In command throughout, the 33-10 third choice was shaken up off the home turn and driven out inside the final furlong to account for La Carmen (Keiai Nautique) by 1 3/4 lengths. **Cont. p18**

2nd-Le Lion d'Angers

Timide is the third of five foals and second scorer out of Listed Prix des Tourelles winner Muette (Deep Impact), herself kin to Listed Grand Criterium de Bordeaux victrix Sans Voix (**Saxon Warrior**) and to the dam of Listed Prix Zeddaan third Sagarmatha (Palace Pier).

Muette, who was bred to **Oscar Performance** this year, has a yearling filly by Uncle Mo and a weanling filly by **Oscar Performance** to come. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €12,350. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere (KY); T-Christopher Head.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Le Lion d'Angers, €21,000, Cond, 8-9, 2yo, 7fT, 1:24.90, gd. GOLDY GLORY (FR) (f, 2, Olympic Glory {Ire}--Goldy Hauty {Fr}, by Authorized {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €21,690. O/T-Henri-Alex Pantall; B-Mme Yvette Pantall & Henri-Alex Pantall.

4th-Le Lion d'Angers, €16,500, Cond, 8-9, 3yo, 10fT, 2:09.99, gd.

WARHOLM (IRE) (g, 3, Time Test {GB}--Aktoria {Fr} {SW-Fr}, by Canford Cliffs {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-1, €27,861. O-Nils-Petter Gill & Mme Pia Brandt; B-SCEA Marmion Vauville & Ecurie Skymarc Farm; T-Pia & Joakim Brandt. *€35,000 Ylg '24 ARQOCT. **1/2 to Greenland (Ire) (**Saxon Warrior {Jpn}**), GSW-Fr & Den, GSP-Ire.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sacree Philomene (Ire), f, 2, Mehmas (Ire)--Saturne (Fr), by Muhaarar (GB). Pompadour, 8-9, 6fT, 1:17.40. B-Ecurie des Monceaux, Langlais Bloodstock, Clear Light SAS & Ecurie des Monnaies. *€135,000 Ylg '25 ARQAUG.

Lacra (Fr), f, 3, Ectot (GB)--Lakritze (Fr), by Orpen. Le Lion d'Angers, 8-9, 12fT, 2:33.08. B-Mme Angela Kurth.

Eagle Tree (Fr), f, 3, Threat (Ire)--Ekatea (Fr), by Power (GB). Pompadour, 8-9, 8fT, 1:40.40. B-EARL Haras du Taillis & Bernhard Wenger. *1/2 to Lesslepasser (Fr) (Penny's Picnic {Ire}), MGSP-Fr.

GERMANY

Sunday's Results:

HOPPEGARTENER FLIEGERPREIS-Listed, €35,000, Hoppegarten, 8-9, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:11.10, gd.

1--PERSHING (GER), 125, f, 4, Areion (Ger)--Peace Of Paris (Ger) (GSP-Ger), by Helmet (Aus). O-Stall Turffighter; B-Hans Wirth; T-Marcel Weiss; J-Sibylle Vogt. €21,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, €60,975. *1/2 to Peace Of Japan (Fr) (Japan {GB}), GSP-Ger.

2--Perfect Pic (Ger), 122, m, 6, Red Jazz--Piccola (Ger), by Mamool (Ire). O/B/T-Aleksej Luft. €7,000.

3--Time Goes On (GB), 122, f, 4, Sergei Prokofiev--Sandy Times (Ire), by Footstepsinthesand (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE. (75,000gns Wlg '22 TADEWE; €140,000 RNA Ylg '23 GOFOR1). O-Aoshiba Shoji Company Ltd; B-Corps Commerce Ltd; T-Satoshi Kobayashi. €4,375.

Margins: 2HF, 1, 3/4. Odds: 1.70, 11.60, 13.20.

Also Ran: War Bride (Ire), Alaska Lady (Ger), Goldaue (Ger), Tina Al Gunay. Scratched: Schutzenzauber (Ger).

RANGE ROVER-CUP (PRESENTED BY BRITCARS BERLIN) -

HOPPEGARTENER STUTENPREIS-Listed, €35,000, Hoppegarten, 8-9, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT, 1:49.60, gd.

1--FULL OF HOPE (GER), 128, m, 5, Saxon Warrior (Jpn)--Fulminante (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB). 1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. O-Stall Nannippus; B-Gestut Etzean; T-Christian Sprengel; J-Benjamin Marie. €21,000. Lifetime Record: 19-2-2-2, €55,600. *1/2 to Fulminato (Ger) (Excelebration {Ire}), MGSP-Ger; and For Pleasure (Ger) (Jukebox Jury {Ire}), GSP-Ger.

2--Soft Winds (Ire), 130, m, 5, Night Of Thunder (Ire)--Placidia (Ire), by Sea The Stars (Ire). (€85,000 HRA '24 ARQDEC; 175,000gns HRA '25 TATDEC). O-Gestut Brummerhof; B-Godolphin; T-Alicia Baum. €7,000.

3--Anatara (Ger), 128, f, 4, Best Solution (Ire)--Aothea (Ger), by Areion (Ger). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-J & J Kleeberg; B-Gestut Auenquelle; T-Andreas Wohler. €4,375.

Margins: 1 3/4, NK, 5. Odds: 32.10, 3.80, 7.40.

Also Ran: Rockin' The Boat (Ire), Dune (Fr), Seren Star (Ire), Quibia (Ger), Tausendschon (Ger), Sunny Sunshine (Ger), Fast Angel (Fr).

HOPPEGARTENER STEHERPREIS-Listed, €35,000, Hoppegarten, 8-9, 3yo/up, 14fT, 2:56.15, gd.

1--NASTARIA (GB), 131, m, 7, Outstrip (GB)--Cinta (GB), by Monsun (Ger). (€8,000 Ylg '20 BBAGS; €15,000 Ylg '20 BBAGO). O/T-Anna Schleusner-Fruhriep; B-Mette Campbell-Andenaes; J-Jozef Bojko. €21,000. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ger & Swe, 45-13-9-9, €352,405.

2--Waldadler (Ger), 128, g, 7, Adlerflug (Ger)--Waldblume (Ger), by Halling. (€9,000 Ylg '20 BBAGS). O-Stall Kalifornia; B-Gestut Sommerberg; T-Pavel Vovcenko. €7,000.

3--Finalise (GB), 125, f, 4, Masar (Ire)--Russian Finale (GB), by Dansili (GB). 1ST BLACK TYPE. O/B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-William Haggas. €4,375.

Margins: 1, 1 1/4, SHD. Odds: 3.70, 2.60, 3.00.

Also Ran: Anspruch (Ire), Name Lord (Ger), Naughty Peter (Cze),ENZIAN (Ger). Scratched: Queimados (GB), Quitos (Ger).

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Hoppegarten, €15,000, Cond, 8-9, 3yo, 12fT, 2:34.51, gd.
WIZARD OF LIPS (IRE) (c, 3, Decorated Knight {GB}--Weeping Wind {GB}, by Oratorio {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, €17,000. O-Rennstall Germanius; B-Stall Parthenaue; T-Eva Fabianova. *Full to Witcher Of Lips (Ger), SP-Ger.

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Sunday, Chukyo, Japan

CBC SHO-G3, ¥78,210,000, Chukyo, 8-9, 3yo/up, 1200mT, 1:06.50, fm.

1--FROM DUSK, 121, h, 6, by Bolt d'Oro

1st Dam: Foolish Cause, by Giant's Causeway

2nd Dam: Foolish Gal, by Kiri's Clown

3rd Dam: Galaxy North, by Far North

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Susumu Fujita; B-Springhouse Farm (KY); T-Hideyuki Mori; J-Yuji Nakai; ¥41,637,000. Lifetime Record: 27-3-2-1, ¥107,529,000.

*\$200,000 Ylg '21 KEESEP; \$900,000 2yo '22 OBSMAR.

1/2 to Foolish Humor (Distorted Humor), SW-USA. **Werk

Nick Rating: D. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.

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2--Rapier (Jpn), 127, c, 4, Tower of London (Jpn)--Annatorte (Jpn), by Empire Maker. O-Shinji Maeda; B-Tomina Farm; ¥16,182,000.

3--Red Evans (Jpn), 121, g, 5, Lord Kanaloa (Jpn)--Red Avancer (Jpn) by Deep Impact (Jpn). 1ST BLACK TYPE. 1ST GROUP BLACK TYPE. O-Tokyo Horse Racing; B-Northern Farm; ¥10,091,000.

Margins: 2, NK, NS. Odds: 34.10, 3.90, 6.10.

Also Ran: Protoporos (Jpn), Jennifer (Jpn), Tamamo Icarus (Jpn), Saint Antoine (Jpn), Abu Qir Bay (Jpn), Dianasaal (Jpn), Itsumo Nikoniko (Jpn), Craspedia (Jpn), Namura Rosemary (Jpn), Fioraia (Jpn), Uncle Cross (Jpn), Peptide Yamato (Jpn), Tamamo Black Tie (Jpn), Invincible Papa (Aus), Koseki (Ire). **Click for the JRA chart & video.**

Sunday, Niigata, Japan

LEOPARD STAKES-G3, ¥71,210,000, Niigata, 8-9, 3yo, 1800m, 1:51.20, gd.

1--COELI VENTO (JPN), 126, c, 3, by Contrail (Jpn)

1st Dam: Clearly Confused (GISP-USA, \$239,915), by Successful Appeal

2nd Dam: Nice of You, by Allen's Prospect

3rd Dam: Toes Knows, by Cormorant

1ST BLACK-TYPE WIN. 1ST GROUP WIN. O-Tadahiko Nakamura; B-North Hills; T-Hisashi Shimizu; J-Seinosuke Yoshimura; ¥37,427,000. Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, ¥56,927,000. *1/2 to Fiori Chiari (Jpn) (Kizuna {Jpn}), SP-Jpn, \$695,722. **Werk Nick Rating: F. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Click for the free Equineline.com catalogue-style pedigree.**

2--Pyromancer (Jpn), 126, c, 3, Pyro--Centrifuge (Jpn), by Hard Spun. O-Godolphin; B-Darley Japan Farm; ¥15,122,000.

3--Mercantour (Jpn), 126, c, 3, Le Vent Se Leve (Jpn)--Celadon, by Gold Halo (Jpn). (¥68,000,000 Wlg '23 JRAJUL). O-Forest Racing; B-Northern Farm; ¥9,361,000.

Margins: HD, 3/4, 1. Odds: 19.80, 4.90, 1.70.

Also Ran: Don Erectus (Jpn), Otsuka (Jpn), Shonan Banrai (Jpn), Tagano Abandonne (Jpn), Tenka Muteki (Jpn), Mac Lir (Jpn), Hishi Amoureuse (Jpn), Fireman (Jpn), Paradise Faith (Jpn).

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