

TAYLORS GLADLY MAKING MISCHIEF



Into Mischief at Spendthrift | Sarah Andrew

by Chris McGrath

Last horse into the ring, in the first session; and then two within minutes next day. Three Into Mischief colts, all from the same consignment at the 2024 Keeneland September Sale.

And how's that working out? Well, just Dandy.

Hip 232 was Renegade, who beat his old neighbor Hip 181 Commandment half-a-length in the GII Jim Dandy Stakes last month. And their absent friend? That was Hip 241, champion juvenile Ted Noffey, completing a Taylor Made monopoly of the three Grade I-winning colts in Into Mischief's 2023 crop.

Pretty good work, albeit one or two in the Taylor Made stallion division may be wryly resentful. Because without these farm graduates in Into Mischief's camp, their top gun **Not This Time** would have a much better chance of breaking the champion's monopoly. Even as it is, **Not This Time** is laying down the biggest challenge he has faced since 2019.

"I know, I know," says farm president Mark Taylor with a chuckle. "So we're kind of conflicted. But then Spendthrift is one of our best customers. We recognize that Into Mischief is still king of the hill. One day we hope that **Not This Time** can take the mantle, but even to be mentioned in the same breath, well, we never thought we'd have a stallion like that."

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JOCKEY CLUB SEEKS TO REMOVE MARSHALL GRAMM FROM MEMBERSHIP

The Jockey Club will begin to take steps to remove Marshall Gramm, the **owner at the center of a current HISA controversy** surrounding veterinary information, from its membership. In a statement released Tuesday, the Jockey Club said: "Based upon an investigation by HISA, Marshall Gramm, a Thoroughbred breeder, owner, and a member of The Jockey Club, accessed veterinary information for horses he did not own within a system operated by HISA. His membership with The Jockey Club provided no special or additional access. The Jockey Club's systems and its data were not breached. The Stewards of The Jockey Club condemn Mr. Gramm's actions and will be meeting to take steps to remove him as a member."

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Mark Taylor | Keeneland

And meanwhile these three make a crucial statement ahead of the world's biggest yearling sale. Taylor Made has achieved the highest gross at Keeneland September every year, bar one, since 2015. The response to being pipped by Gainesway, in 2023, has been emphatic. In both years since, they happen to have processed exactly 333 yearlings. In 2024, they generated

\$53.1 million. Last year the consignment soared to \$68.5 million.

So while "family" is literally central to their brand, the Taylor brothers recognize that the sheer scale of their operation must not be perceived as getting in the way of the intimate business of preparation and consignment.

"The thing most disappointing thing to me is if people sometimes only think about us as a customer service and marketing company," Taylor acknowledges. "If they don't think about horsemanship. Anybody who knew my dad knows he lived, ate, breathed horses. He wrote the book."

And that, of course, is not even a figure of speech.

"So that was all baked into us," Taylor continues. "Raising good horses is something we're very passionate about. It's very difficult to do, and you can't make a horse run faster than God created him. But you can help them grow up healthy and strong. And you can get in their way, too—in a heartbeat. So we try to minimize mistakes and give them everything they need to fulfill their potential."

With that in mind, Taylor is especially gratified that these colts represent three of the farm's most faithful collaborators. None more so than Ted Noffey's late breeder Marie Jones, whose death only a month before the sale plainly makes it poignant that her mare should have left behind a brother to Ted Noffey catalogued for Book 1 [54].

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Sarah Andrew

It was the late Aaron Jones who had been integral to the establishment of a Taylor Made stallion barn.

"Basically he was our financier," Taylor explains. "When we found Saint Ballado, he put up all the money and let us manage him. And then, once he got his money back, which thankfully did not take long, he gave us a significant chunk of the horse. Just gave it to us: said, 'Hey, you guys did a great job.'"

"When first introducing himself to Aaron Jones, [Taylor's older brother] Frank was 19, 20 years old. If you're telling the story of Taylor Made, it can't be told without Aaron and Marie Jones. Because they believed early on, when there really was no track record to base it on. They just took a roll of the dice."

The core of the Jones program, working with Frank and in recent years Katie Taylor, was to buy mares from which to breed commercial yearlings. Streak of Luck (Old Fashioned) was a case in point, when bought for \$620,000 at the 2021 Keeneland November Sale. She was cashed out for exactly 10 times that sum at Fasig-Tipton last fall—a couple of days after her son, a \$650,000 yearling recruit by Spendthrift, completed his unbeaten juvenile campaign at the Breeders' Cup.

"If you look at the Taylor brothers, I think we all bring different passions and expertise to the table," says Taylor. "Duncan would be the most well-versed on pedigree, he's real big on female families. Frank and I are more conformation people, looking for an athlete. And Ben is the analytical brother, who helps make common-sense decisions after everyone has given their opinion."

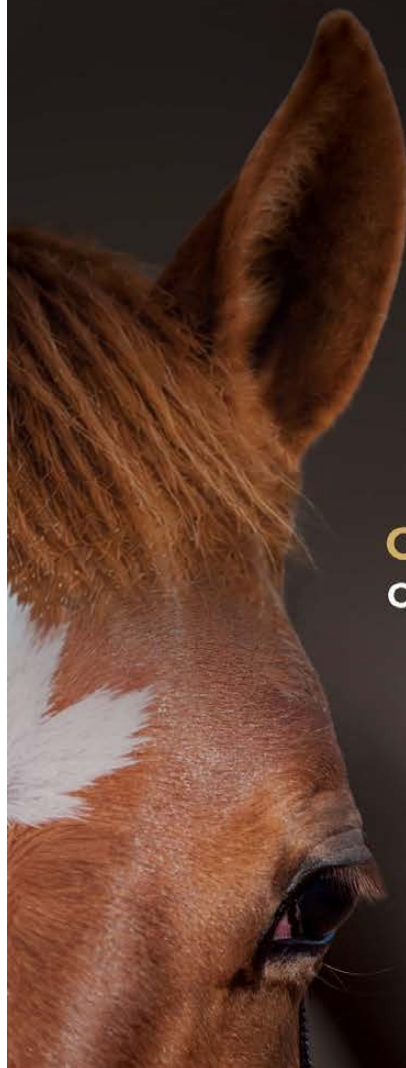
"Streak of Luck is a gorgeous mare, very prototypical of what Frank has bought the Joneses over the years. He hung his hat on buying them good-looking mares. And then they took this one, that they loved, and bred her to an expensive horse. Some people might have said, 'Oh, maybe you're overbreeding a little bit.' But it certainly paid off."

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"But he bought yearlings from us for a number of years before that," Taylor notes. "He was always a loyal Taylor Made buyer, and moved some mares to us about 10 years ago. He breeds for the commercial market, but if they don't bring what he wants, he'll race them-especially fillies."

Pokoik offered GI Spinaway Stakes winner Sippican Harbor (Orb) when she retired, but she failed to meet her reserve.

"It was like fate came into play," recalls Taylor. "He tried to sell her right off the track, but when that didn't work, he said, 'Well, if nobody wants to pay me a premium, I'll get foals out of her.'" He evidently took a similar view when Sippican Harbor's daughter by **Elite Power** stalled at \$575,000 in the recent Saratoga Sale. Commandment himself, after all, was offered both as a weanling and at Saratoga before finally changing hands at Keeneland.

"We thought we were home free, that this horse was going to bring all the money," Taylor recalls. "But just one of those things: you never know how horses are going to present themselves. He was kind of flat at Saratoga, just not himself, not animated."

"Because he was always a very charismatic kind of horse. So we brought him back and he goes into Book 1 as a supplement. It still ended up kind of disappointing. He brought \$500,000, but we felt like he should have been \$750,000, maybe more. But credit to Case Clay, he loved him. And now the horse has gone on and proven himself a warrior: tough, sound, talented."

As for Robert and Lawana Low, breeders of Renegade, Taylor reckons them to have been clients for 30 years-right back to when Capote Belle (Capote) won the 1996 GI Test Stakes.

"They have their own beautiful farm in Missouri," he stresses. "So they get a lot of credit. And they met Jacob West, their bloodstock advisor, while he was with us. So we all work very synergistically together. Robert and Lawana are so passionate, whether it's Grade I or claiming horses."

"Renegade was gorgeous, phenomenal. As a yearling, a little stretchier and rangier than Commandment. He was born on Taylor Made but went back to Missouri for several months and they did a great job. Then we raised him through his yearling year and got him ready for the sale. I'm really grateful that Mike Repole was so enthusiastic



Streak of Luck at Taylor Made | Sarah Andrew

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about them staying in, on half of the horse. I think when he bid \$975,000, there was no deal in place. But then they had a little seller's remorse, and he was like, 'Well, come on, let's do this.' And of course it was Jacob, who does business with both, who put that together."

Taylor was unsurprised to see Renegade renew his candidature for crop leadership in the Jim Dandy.

"There was a lot of debate after the Derby," he remarks. "How much did that first eighth take out of him? Running at a

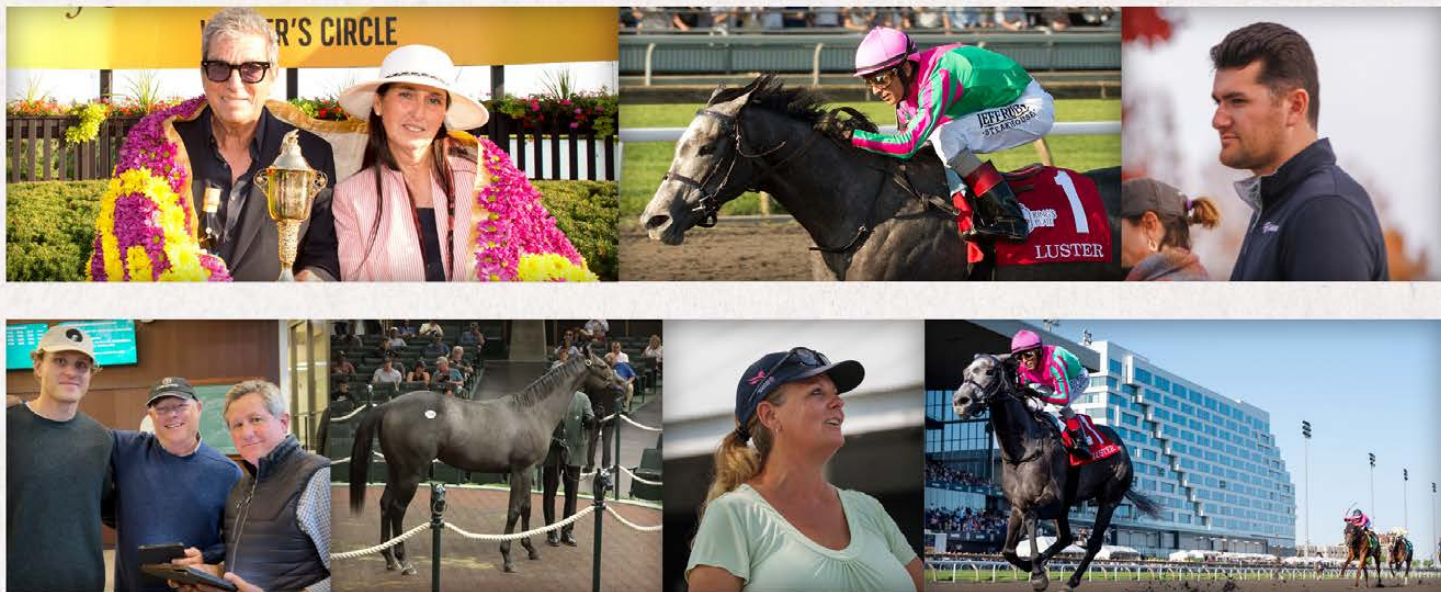
45-degree angle and being smashed? To have the mentality to drop out the back, recollect himself, and then make that run, says a lot about his class and determination. I think Todd [Pletcher, trainer] had to baby him a little bit before the Belmont, the Derby took a lot out of him."

Taylor reports that his dam Spice Is Nice (**Curlin**) has a "beautiful" **Not This Time** colt, followed by a **Justify** filly that will similarly be retained.

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Renegade (out) & Commandment in the Jim Dandy | S Andrew

"We went to see her in Missouri and she's really nice," he says. "But Robert was like, 'She's a filly. Renegade means a lot to us, so she's not going to see a sale.' Which I think is a sound business decision. Even if she never runs, she's good enough to fit his broodmare band. And if she does, the sky's the limit."

Okay, case pretty well proven: Taylor Made produced these horses through the lasting trust of their respective breeders. But if that's the big picture, how about the detail?

"Well, this came straight from my dad," Taylor replies. "He wanted horses outside unless there's a very meaningful reason to be inside. The horses that grow up here are not pampered. Now, prepping a horse for sale, we need them looking great. So those last 60 or 70 days, they're going to stay up 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. But before that, they're out there running. We don't separate the colts unless there's one really getting picked on, maybe not getting the nutrition he needs. We really believe in horses living outside and getting that foundation off the land."

People ask why the foals are mudded every day, year round.

"They say it looks a massive waste of time," Taylor says. "But my dad said it tightens their joints up, and keeps the flies off of them so they're not stomping and breaking their feet off. But mainly it was so that when he drove through the farm at night, and saw every one of those foals had mud on his legs, he knew somebody was looking at each one of them, every single day. So many of his brilliant management ideas were not high-tech. They were just common sense. So we try to keep that going, in what we're doing every day."

"A sire of the quality of Into Mischief, with all the great mares he gets, he's going to have three colts win a Grade I in a given crop. But for all three to grow up in such close proximity? That's a rare thing."

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This is the second installment in what will be an ongoing series, presented by Hagyard, in which we catch up with the connections behind TDN Rising Stars. We'll go beyond the flashy performances to uncover the decisions that helped shape these future stars.



Libby Lloyd | Sarah Andrew

The Jones family has campaigned and bred many stars since Airdrie Stud was launched in 1972, but there will always be favorites. And the one that has Airdrie President Bret Jones most excited at the moment is the 2-year-old filly Libby Lloyd (Into Mischief) who earned 'TDN Rising Star, presented by Hagyard', honors when breaking her maiden by 10 lengths last Saturday at Saratoga.

"That race, you draw it up in your head, and that's exactly how we hoped it would go, and that happens about one out of every 30 scenarios like that," Jones said. "She'd been training like a very good filly. The race was pretty loaded on paper. I know there were a couple of scratches, but it really was amazing how similar it was to her dam's debut a few years ago. This filly is so much an Into Mischief. Just from the very start, she was really a standout filly, one of those that never had a bad day. There were no setbacks. There was never an issue with her. When the time came, she X-rayed perfectly."



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He continued, "She had the big blaze, she had that look, she had the substance, she had everything that a lot of the good mares really throw to the sire. I'm knocking on wood as I'm saying this, but to this point, it's just been one of those things that doesn't come along very often."

This story is about much more than a flashy debut winner.

The dam of Libby Lloyd is Indian Pride (Proud Citizen). Nearly seven years to the day, Indian Pride broke her maiden at Saratoga by eight lengths in an Aug. 28, 2019 race. **She, too, was named a TDN Rising Star.**

"She was the most impressive debut winner we'd ever had," Jones said. "In the TDN today, they showed a picture, sort of a parallel picture of the two fillies, and there are just a lot of similarities in the way they've started their careers off."

The Airdrie team always had the highest regard for Indian Pride, who was third in the GII Raven Run Stakes and won the Shine Again Stakes. But Jones said that various minor setbacks were the only things that kept her from being a superstar.

"She just had some bad luck, not even really injuries," he said. "She had pneumonia as a 2-year-old and then colicked badly as an older mare. And so we just thought that with that level of talent, there was the real chance she could be a very important broodmare for us. I don't think we've ever had a more talented filly than Indian Pride. She just never fully got to show it."

Her first foal was Publisher (**American Pharoah**), who finished second in the GI Arkansas Derby. The next foal, by **Constitution**, was unraced. Then came Libby Lloyd. Thinking they might have a special horse on their hands, they named her after Libby Lloyd Jones, Bret's mother.

"Indian Pride was just an absolute sweetheart," Jones said. "And her daughter, Libby Lloyd, is exactly the same way. Anyone who knows my mother, who she's named after, they know how sweet and kind my mother is. This filly had so many of those same characteristics and we thought it would be kind of a nice tribute for my mom to name her after her."

Indian Pride was bred in 2025 to **Gun Runner** and in 2026 to **Life Is Good**.

Last year, she had another bout with colic and passed away.

"We lost her last year," Jones said. "She had had multiple colic surgeries, and she had colicked again badly to where our hands were completely tied. And frankly, it was probably as emotional a loss as I've experienced."

But her legacy lives on in Libby Lloyd.

Jones said that the GI Spinaway Stakes on Sept. 5 at Saratoga is probably coming up too soon and that Libby Lloyd's next start may be in the Oct. 3 GI Frizette Stakes at the new Belmont Park. He said the decision will be left up to trainer Chad Brown.

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We have seen 12 TDN Rising Stars emerge since the initial installment of this series. The latest additions are Inshallah (**Flightline**) at Del Mar; Q B Rocket (**Gun Runner**), Libby Lloyd (Into Mischieff), Balayage (**Kingman**) and Summer Starlet (**City of Light**) at Saratoga; Bin Jahwar (Ghaiyyath) and Desert Castle (**Frankel**) at Newmarket; Forbidden Fire (**No Nay Never**) at Salisbury; Domus (Uncle Mo) and Miss Monica (**Early Voting**) at Del Mar; Kalimaat (**Frankel**) at Deauville; and Wall Street (**Sea The Stars**) at Leopardstown. **Frankel** is the only sire represented by more than one TDN Rising Star during that period, with two.

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by Randy Moss

The 2-year-old **Flightline** colt Inshallah tops this week's rankings.

5 - C's TODAY, ELP, 8/15-5th, 6 furlongs

Beyer Speed Figure - 84 (2nd)

(g, 3, by **McKinzie-Into Candy, by Into Mischief)**

O-Rodeo Creek Racing. B-Highlight Thoroughbreds (Ky). T-Rob Medina. J-Martin Garcia.

Dismissed at 40/1 odds in his debut, he nevertheless rolled up alongside odds-on Campobasso (below) at the eighth pole with momentum before he was rebuffed. Still, he finished four lengths clear of the rest. His pedigree black type comes from the 2nd and 3rd dams; his dam is a half-sister to Peter Brant's GII Distaff Stakes winner Shidabhuti (best Beyer 90, by **Practical Joke**).

4 - CAMPOBASSO, ELP, 8/15-5th, 6 furlongs

Beyer Speed Figure - 86

(c, 3, by **Street Sense-Italia, by Medaglia d'Oro)**

O-SF Racing, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables, Stonestreet Stables, Bashar Racing, Determined Stables, Golconda Stable, Waves Edge Capital and Catherine Donovan. B-Fred Hertrich III and John Fielding (Ky). T-Bob Baffert. J-Florent Geroux.



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3 - ICANTHELPMYSELF, DMR, 8/15-7th, 5 1/2 furlongs (video)
Beyer Speed Figure - 87 (2nd)

(c, 2, by Mo Town-Road Rager, by Quality Road)

O/B-Jay Em Ess Stable (Ky). T-Brian Koriner. J-Armando Ayuso.

In a loaded field of first-timers, the Samantha Siegel homebred turned in an auspicious debut. The colt by a \$5,000 stallion chased the blue-blooded Inshallah from the start and slowly cut the margin to 1 1/2 lengths at the end while 4 1/4 clear of third. Siegel bought and raced the graded-stakes-placed dam.

2 - OVECHKIN, SAR, 8/14-5th, 1 mile (video)

Beyer Speed Figure - 87

(g, 3, by Nyquist-Blonde Bomber, by Fort Larned)

O-Lee/Lexi Lewis. B-Clarkland Farm (Ky). T-M Hennig. J-T Gaffalione.

They couldn't skate him on ice and he seemed indifferent to grass in two previous tries, but the class drop to an \$85,000 tag may have made the difference—he led wire to wire in his eighth start (and emerged unclaimed). Ovechkin's stakes-winning dam was also 3rd in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies; her most successful offspring has been turf runner Bling (American Pharoah), who never won a stakes but finished 2-3-4 in seven graded races.

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(c, 2, by Flightline-Bar of Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro)

O-KAS Stables. B-Chester/Mary Broman (NY). T-John Sadler.

J-Joel Rosario.

The \$2.1 million 2-year-old purchase, owned by the Saudi royal family, ran to his Breeders' Cup-centric pedigree. From the first crop of Classic winner Flightline (who sizzled to a 105 Beyer as a 3-year-old in his debut), he's the fifth foal to race out of the Bromans' Filly & Mare Sprint upsetter Bar of Gold. His lone sibling of note is GIII With Anticipation-winning gelding Coinage (who recently ran poorly for \$4,000 claiming at Finger Lakes).

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WEDNESDAY HEARING TO ADDRESS HAWTHORNE'S NEW REQUEST FOR EARLIER BACKSTRETCH MOVE-OUT DATE

by T.D. Thornton

A bankruptcy court hearing scheduled Wednesday is expected to provide clarity on the move-out status of the remaining horses and backstretch residents who must vacate Hawthorne Race Course before a \$90-million bankruptcy sale of the property can happen in two weeks.

A new wrinkle emerged after weeks of telling backstretch residents they **must be out by Aug. 31**: Hawthorne now wants the court to set Aug. 28 as the date when the "order of possession" takes effect.

"In order to ensure that the closing of the sale of the real estate [will proceed] as scheduled on Sept. 1, the Debtors seek entry of an order for possession of the Premises effective immediately with enforcement stayed until Aug. 28," stated an Aug. 14 motion filed by Hawthorne, which is seeking to restructure between \$100 and \$500 million in debt.

That filing came on the heels of a status report submitted the same day by the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (ITHA) filed with United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois (Eastern Division) to update the progress of rehoming efforts.

The ITHA's report indicated that most human and equine residents have either moved or are on their way to being relocated. **Cont. p11**

"As of Aug. 11, there were 128 horses remaining. This is a reduction of 338 over the three weeks of the wind-down and move-out of the backstretch. Additionally, the ITHA has been informed that another material shipping of most (if not all) of the horses at the backstretch has been scheduled for Aug. 20," the ITHA's report stated.

"As of Aug. 14, there were 177 adults remaining. This is a reduction of 357 adults over the three weeks of the wind-down and move-out of the backstretch...There are 78 children remaining at the backstretch as well. The reduction in children will coincide with the reduction of adults," the ITHA's report stated.

Hawthorne's Aug. 14 motion asked for a "writ of assistance" to make sure everyone is off the property, and stated that a U.S. marshal might be needed to execute on the order of possession.

"The Debtors file this Motion to establish a protocol to ensure that the Premises will be vacated and the closing will proceed," Hawthorne's Aug. 14 filing stated.

Shortly before 5 p.m. CT on Tuesday, Aug. 18, the ITHA filed a notice of limited objection to Hawthorne's newly requested Aug. 28 move-out date.

"ITHA objects to the Motion's request for an order for possession that is stayed only until 12:01 a.m. on Aug. 28, improperly amends the Sale Order, and prejudices the rights of the Backstretch Community," the ITHA's objection stated. "The Court should grant the Motion with an order for possession stayed until 9:00 a.m. on Aug. 31."

The ITHA's objection continued: "This request cuts short the court-ordered and agreed residency of the Backstretch Community by three full days. The Court and parties are fully aware of how this transaction has upended the lives and livelihoods of the Backstretch Community," the ITHA's objection stated.

"All remaining parties at the backstretch have been informed of the Eviction Deadline and requirement to vacate [Hawthorne] no later than Aug. 31. The request to further shorten that period by three days is unnecessary and punitive to the Backstretch Community," the objections stated.

The ITHA has scheduled a resource fair for Aug. 21, "focused solely on finding housing for any remaining backstretch workers," according to its Aug. 14 filing.

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ASK HIWU: PENALTY POINTS

By Dan Ross

With a view to pulling the veil back on the whys and wherefores of their operations, a representative of either the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) Authority or the Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU) will every week answer a question of industry importance posed by the TDN.

If you have any questions you'd like to ask HISA or HIWU, please feel free to send them over to us at the following email address: danross@thetdn.com

The following was submitted by former trainer, Jenine Sahadi.

Q: Is there any information publicly available of the point system in place for positive tests? Every adjudication names points assessed per positive, yet there seems to be no information as to the point leaders or points accumulated on the website.

Answer by HIWU spokesperson.

The penalty points system under the Anti-Doping and Medication Control Program is designed to deter and sanction individuals who commit multiple violations within a short period of time. If someone has accumulated more than six penalty points within a two-year period, they will be subject to an additional suspension (30-180 days) that will be tacked onto any suspension imposed for subsequent violations. Penalty points from specific violations expire after two years, and they are only applicable to Controlled Medication Rule Violations. **The penalty point system is summarized on the HIWU website.**

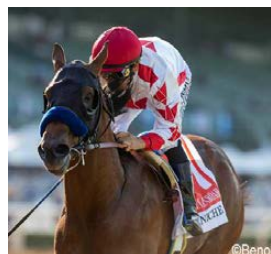
HIWU plans to formally publish a live list of penalty point totals on our website in the near future. In the interim, if individuals are interested in the number of penalty points currently assigned to specific trainers, they can search for the trainer's name on our [cases page](#). Each resolved case lists the number of penalty points that were assigned for that specific violation as part of the overall sanctions.

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A yearling by Cyberknife and a pair of horses of racing age, including a winning 3-year-old, have been added to the 2026 Texas Summer Yearling Sale catalog.

Cataloged as Hip 153, the yearling filly by Cyberknife is out of a five-time stakes winning and track record setting mare who has already produced a winner and a placed horse in 2026.

The filly is consigned by Colin Brennan Bloodstock at Highlander Training Center, Agent.

Two horses have also been supplemented to the Horse of Racing Age portion of the sale. Cataloged as Hips 168 and 169:

- Hip 168: Passed Over is a winning Accredited Texas-bred 3-year-old gelding by By My Standards out of a Gemologist mare; Passed Over won in his second career start in March at Sam Houston by 2 1/2 lengths. Consigned by Colin Brennan Bloodstock at Highlander Training Center, Agent
- Hip 169: Lucky John is an unraced Kentucky-bred 3-year-old gelding by By My Standards out of a Congrats full-sister to a stakes winner; Consigned by Colin Brennan Bloodstock at Highlander Training Center, Agent

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PACIFIC CLASSIC S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m



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PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Om N Joy	Om	Baker Stables, LLC, Scanlan Racing LLC and Michael Golovko	Ordonez	Desormeaux	119
2	Forged Steel	Vekoma	C2 Racing Stable LLC, Mathis Stable LLC and TCC Stables LLC	Joseph, Jr.	Gonzalez	124
3	Finger (Jpn)	Gun Runner	M's Racing	Tanaka	Tosaki	118
4	Subsanador (Arg)	Fortify	Wathnan Racing	Mandella	Smith	124
5	Malarchuk	Nyquist	ERJ Racing LLC and Reddam Racing LLC	McCarthy	Rispoli	124
6	Original Sin	Curlin	Calumet Farm	Walsh	Hernandez	124
7	Hit Show	Candy Ride (Arg)	Wathnan Racing	Cox	Geroux	124
8	British Isles	Justify	Slam Dunk Racing, Deborah A. Baltas, and Cynthia McClanahan	Baltas	Herrera	124
9	Navajo Warrior 🌿	Candy Ride (Arg)	BAG Racing Stables, Miller Racing LLC, Dr. Derek K. Paul, Mathis Stable LLC, Paul Braverman, and Timothy Pinch	Joseph, Jr.	Husbands	124
10	Full Serrano (Arg)	Full Mast	Hronis Racing LLC	Sadler	Rosario	124
11	Knightsbridge	Nyquist	Godolphin, LLC	Mott	Alvarado	124

Breeders: 1-Jerry Baker & Connie Baker, 2-Richard E. Wilson, 3-Masahiko Sugino, 4-EI Mallin, 5-Chippewa Bloodstock, 6-Calumet Farm, 7-Gary & Mary West Stables Inc., 8-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 9-Hinkle Farms, 10-Stud Haras Gran Muneca S.a., 11-Godolphin

Saturday, 8/22, Saratoga #11, post time: 6:42 p.m. EDT

ALABAMA S. PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SALES-GI, \$600,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Nycon 🌿	Nyquist	Icon Racing Stable	Beckman	Davis	122
2	Ati Girl 🌿	Nyquist	Pantofel Stable LLC, Wachtel Stable & Gary Barber	Mott	Velazquez	122
3	Measure 🌿	Essential Quality	Gary Barber, Bridlewood Farm, and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners	Casse	Prat	122
4	My Gun's Loaded 🌿	Gun Runner	Douglas Scharbauer	Brown	Franco	122
5	A. P.'s Girl	Honor A. P.	C R K Stable LLC	Eurton	Gaffalione	122
6	Counting Stars 🌿	Honor A. P.	West Point Thoroughbreds	Casse	Ortiz, Jr.	122

Breeders: 1-Pursuit of Success LLC, 2-BlackRidge Stables LLC, 3-Town & Country Farms, 4-Corser Thoroughbreds LLC, 5-Parks Investment Group, LLC, 6-HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud



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DEL MAR OAKS PRESENTED BY KEENELAND SALES-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Victorious Dream (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Sabby Racing, LLC and Michael House	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
2	Lookin At Diamond	Lookin At Lucky	Diamond 100 Racing Club LLC	Powell	Leparoux	122
3	Tam Tam	Medaglia d'Oro	Rigney Racing LLC	Bauer	Alvarado	122
4	Green Carrera (GB)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Chivalry T'bred Racing, Farfellow Farms, Ltd. and Rancho Temescal Thoroughbred Partners	O'Brien	Rispoli	122
5	Define (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Farfellow Farms, Ltd.	Walsh	Kimura	122
6	Inbox (GB)	Ectot (GB)	Hopeless Stables, Little Red Feather Racing, Sterling Stables, LLC and Marsha Naify	D'Amato	Berrios	122
7	Peanutbutterbombe	Collected	Little Red Feather Racing and William Strauss	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Wild Like the West 🦋	Into Mischief	Sayjay Racing LLC	Baltas	Ayuso	122
9	Kensington Lane (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Agave Racing Stable, Medallion Racing, and Evan Trommer	D'Amato	Rosario	122
10	Raiding Party (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Larry R. Rodgers, James J. Lamonica, Fick Farms and Shu Qun Sun	Walsh	Curtis	122

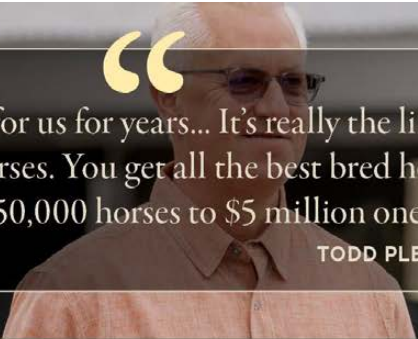
Breeders: 1-Mr Paul Croke, 2-Diamond 100 Racing Club, LLC, 3-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC, 4-Coverdale Stud, 5-Hamwood Stud Unlimited Company, 6-Orbis Bloodstock (UK) Limited, 7-Speedway Stables LLC, 8-White Birch Farm, Inc., 9-Almost Always Partnership, 10-Barry Moorhead

Saturday, 8/22, Saratoga #10, post time: 6:07 p.m. EDT

BALLSTON SPA S. PRESENTED BY STIHL-GII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ozara (Ire)	Lope de Vega (Ire)	Cheyenne Stables LLC	Clement	Davis	126
2	Sunlit Uplands (Ire)	Sands of Mali (Fr)	Rachel Flynn and Rae Guest	Williams	Velazquez	124
3	Deep Satin	American Pharoah	John D. Gunther & Eurowest Bloodstock Services	DeVaux	Ortiz	124
4	Play With Fire	Oscar Performance	LSU Stables	Brown	Franco	124
5	And One More Time	Omaha Beach	Live Oak Plantation	Casse	Castellano	124
6	Segesta	Ghostzapper	Juddmonte	Brown	Prat	126
7	Grayosh	Yoshida (Jpn)	Flanagan Racing	Brown	Gaffalione	124
8	Long Ago (GB)	Roaring Lion	Christopher S. Nolan	Morey	Carmouche	124
9	Scalable 🦋	Speightstown	Repole Stable	Pletcher	Rider TBA	126

Breeders: 1-Fleche D'Or Partnership, 2-Prospect Stables, 3-Eurowest Bloodstock Services, 4-Lothenbach Stables Inc, 5-William Harrigan & Mike Pietrangelo, 6-Juddmonte, 7-Susan E. Bedwell, 8-Let It Be Me Partnership, 9-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC



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Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #11, post time: 10:00 p.m. EDT**DEL MAR MILE S.-GII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 1mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Cabo Spirit 🌿	Pioneerof the Nile	Kretz Racing LLC	Papaprodromou	Smith	122
2	Seal Team (GB)	War Front	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Rosario	122
3	Artislas	Catalina Cruiser	Dutch Girl Holdings LLC, Irving Ventures LLC, William Meathe, and Jeanne Tumanjan	Mullins	Leparoux	122
4	Freedom's Not Free 🌿	Omaha Beach	Blinkers On Racing Stable, Janlois Racing, LLC, Valinor Racing Stable, LLC, Tom Corbett, Andy Kwan, and Jay Lester Wagner	Glatt	Jaramillo	122
5	Detain (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Juddmonte	McCarthy	Hernandez	122
6	Sinsel (Brz)	Alpha	Red Rafa Stud, Inc.	Mandella	Kimura	124
7	Almendares (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig, and Ray Pagano	D'Amato	Fresu	122
8	Astronomer	Air Force Blue	Bamford, Alice and Tabor, Michael B.	Callaghan	Espinoza	122
9	King of Gosford (GB)	Zoustar (Aus)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, Saul Gevertz, Michael Nentwig, & Jeremy Peskoff	D'Amato	Rispoli	124
10	Flyover	Om	Integrity Thoroughbred Racing LLC, ITR LLC, The Ellwood Johnston Trust and Kenneth A. Tevelde	Sadler	Ayuso	122
11	Twirling Point	Twirling Candy	Paula P. Henline and Tracy D. Henline	Wright	Gonzalez	122
12	El Potente	Temple City	My Way Racing LLC	Blackner	Berrios	122

Breeders: 1-WinStar Farm, LLC, 2-Bass Stables LLC, 3-University of Kentucky, 4-Cove Springs, LLC, 5-Swordlestown Little, 6-Stud Red Rafa, 7-D. R. Tucker, 8-Alice Bamford, 9-The Miss Sugars Partnership, 10-Old English Rancho, 11-George Strawbridge Jr., 12-Charmsil LLC

Saturday, 8/22, Del Mar #5, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT**GREEN FLASH H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 5fT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Monster	Leinster	Arindel	D'Angelo	Jaramillo	116
2	Mescalero	Into Mischief	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Kimura	119
3	Man O Rose	Stanford	B and B Zietz Stables, Inc.	Mullins	Maldonado	121
4	Incanto (Ire) 🌿	Mehmas (Ire)	David A. Bernsen LLC, TCC Stables LLC and Jeffrey Lambert	Eurton	Baze	117
5	Sumter	War Front	Perry R. Bass II and Ramona S. Bass	Mandella	Smith	123
6	Motorious (GB)	Muhaarar (GB)	Anthony Fanticola	D'Amato	Fresu	124
7	Virat	Bayern	Sareen Family Trust	Blackner	Berrios	120
8	No Nay Hudson (Ire) 🌿	No Nay Never	Andrew Farm, For the People Racing Stable, LLC and Debra L. O'Connor	Ward	Hernandez	123
9	Sorrento Sky (Ire)	Prince of Lir (Ire)	Benowitz Family Trust, CYBT, McLean Racing Stables, Saul Gevertz, Marc Lantzman, and Michael Nentwig	D'Amato	Rispoli	120
10	Saratoga Special (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Abbondanza Racing LLC and TCC Stables LLC	Baltas	Rosario	114

Breeders: 1-Dr. Ross Russell & Deeann SmithCavanaugh, 2-Bass Stables, LLC, 3-B & B Zietz Stables, Inc., 4-Novidale Ltd & Eoghan Grogan, 5-Bass Stables, LLC, 6-Kirtlington Stud & Mrs Mary Taylor, 7-Sareen Family Trust, 8-RJB Bloodstock, 9-Miss Colleen Dwyer, 10-David Byrne & Pierce Molony



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CANADIAN DERBY-GIII, C\$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Helioo	Authentic	Don B. Danard	Snow	Perez	126
2	Debrusk	Finality	D Condilenios, J Froelich, G Georgeopoulos & T Georgeopoulos	Condilenios	Morales	126
3	Kamal	Fed Biz	Mohamad K. Khan	Brown	Marti	126
4	Quarry	War of Will	Henry S. Witt, Jr.	Gourneau	Bynoe	126
5	Magicstrikesagain 🌿	Good Magic	C Duggan, D Ries, L Deitz & B Poliakiwski	Nicholson	Asencio	126
6	Direct Strike 🌿	Into Mischief	Smokin Guns Stable, J Graham, CNK Holdings, Ltd. Bob and Terry Kwas, Lucky Diamond Stables, Hard Ball Stable, Bauder, James, Bauder, Robert, Trehan, Sunil, Highfield Investment Group, Inc., D D Smith and B Appleyard	Smith	Prescod	126
7	Really Ralis	Ralis Dennis Spence	Krasner	Khelawan	126	
8	Big Curl	Big Brown	Stetson Inc, Stetson, Ryan, Stetson Enterprises Ltd. and Everblack Cattle Co. Ltd.	Rycroft	Gonzalez	126
9	Gethsemane 🌿	Knicks Go	Cattleman's Club Stable	Goulet	Whitehall	126
10	Tisum	Caravaggio	Duggan, Chris, Ries, Dorn, Deitz, Lloyd and B Poliakiwski	Nicholson	Asencio	126
11	Javier	Practical Joke	Don B. Danard	Frey	Boodramsingh	126
12	Western Warrior	Essential Quality	Christoff, Gordon and Giesbrecht, Lance B.	Condilenios	Nelson	126
13	Need the Purse 🌿	The Factor	Charles Garvey	Diodoro	Santo	126

Breeders: 1-William Humphries & Altair Farms LLC, 2-Red Rock Farm, 3-Red Hawk Ranch, 4-Claiborne Farm, 5-TK Stables LLC, 6-Cypress Creek Equine, LLC, 7-Elton H. Gunther, 8-Mat Monaco, 9-Bloodstock Investments 2022, 10-Fletcher Gray & Carolyn Gray, 11-Dell Ridge Farm, LLC, 12-Tracy Farmer, 13-Troy Rankin

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SMARTY JONES S., \$200,000, Parx Racing, 8-18, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:43.78, gd.

1--**MICANOPY, 121, g, 3, by Uncle Chuck**

1st Dam: Golden Horseshoe, by Belong to Me

2nd Dam: Striking Profile, by Strike the Gold

3rd Dam: Perfect Profile, by Stop the Music

(\$32,000 RNA 2yo '25 OBSAPR). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O-Jane Perry; B-Brent & Crystal Fernung (FL); T-Michael V. Simone; J-Samuel Marin. \$119,400. Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-0, \$205,620. *1/2 to Epic Journey (J P's Gusto), MSP, \$160,091 and Princess Secret (Khozan), MSW, \$446,400.

2--**Ponder and Dream, 126, c, 3, Uncle Lino--Spanky,** by To Honor and Serve. O-LC Racing, LLC and Caravan Stable; B-Harris Craig (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr. \$39,800.

3--**Freedom's Echo, 121, c, 3, Independence Hall--Dani Mo,** by **Union Rags**. (\$30,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; \$35,000 2yo '25 OBSOPN). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-N. Cammarano, Jr.; B-B. Turman & Laurel Glen Farm (KY); T-Guadalupe Preciado. \$19,900.

 **WARRENDALE GRADUATE** 
Margins: 1HF, 8HF, 3/4. Odds: 5.00, 0.50, 4.70.

Also Ran: Star Sweeper, Tifosi, Very **Volatile**. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing.**

Making his first stakes run since October of 2025, Micanopy shipped into Parx for trainer Michael Simone and upset the Smarty Jones Stakes at odds of 5-1 to earn his first stakes win. Having spent his last three races at Delaware Park, resulting in a win May 28, a second on the grass June 13 and most recently a fourth back on the main track July 24, Micanopy opted to sit off the pace Tuesday and let heavy race favorite Ponder and Dream do the heavy lifting up front through fractions of :23.96 and :47.65. Shifting out and moving from fourth in this six-horse field, Micanopy got rolling down the outside and was able to close past that pacesetter in the final sixteenth to win by 1 1/2 lengths. From his sire's first crop to the track, he is one of four stakes winners for Uncle Chuck. Micanopy has several Florida-bred stakes-winning half-siblings including Princess Secret (Khozan) and MSP Epic Journey (J P's Gusto). Golden Horseshoe, who has seven winners from 10 the track, last reported the now 2-year-old filly Mona Lisa (St. Patrick's Day).



Tap to Open (inside) | Equi-photo

CATHRYN SOPHIA S., \$200,000, Parx Racing, 8-18, 3yo, f, 1m 70y, 1:41.37, gd.

1--**TAP TO OPEN, 122, f, 3, by Tapit**

1st Dam: I'll Take Charge, by Indian Charlie

2nd Dam: Take Charge Lady, by Dehere

3rd Dam: Felicita, by Rubiano

(\$1,450,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEESEP). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN.** O/B-Whisper Hill Farm, LLC (KY); T-Brad H. Cox; J-Flavien Prat. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$278,943. *Full to **Charge It**, MGSW & GISP, \$887,270.

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2--**Ms Sophistication, 121, f, 3, Into Mischief--Divine Elegance,** by Uncle Mo. (\$190,000 Ylg '24 KEESEP; \$525,000 2yo '25 EASMA). **1ST BLACK TYPE.** O-Colts Neck Stables LLC; B-Breeze Easy, LLC (KY); T-Jorge Duarte, Jr. \$40,000.

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3--**Miss Fulton Gal, 124, f, 3, Rock Your World--Leah Forestiere,** by **Not This Time**. (\$3,000 Ylg '24 KEEJAN; \$5,000 Ylg '24 OBSOCT; \$35,000 2yo '25 OBSOPN). O-Trott Racing Stable, Five Sisters Farm and Polizos, John; B-Malia Hopkins, Virginia Moore & Lee Forestiere, MD. (KY); T-Michael E. Gorham. \$20,000.

Margins: HD, 2 1/4, 14 1/4. Odds: 0.30, 9.30, 7.20.

Also Ran: Majestic Lucia, Moon Halory. Scratched: Project Maximus. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing.**

After breaking her maiden two starts back going 1 1/8 miles at Churchill Downs May 29, Tap to Open rolled right into allowance company a winner at Ellis last out July 12 and then stepped up to win her stakes debut Tuesday in the Cathryn Sophia Stakes at Parx.

The 1-5 favorite took all the money in this short field of five, bursting from the rail to the lead to handle the tempo narrowly ahead of Ms Sophistication who never let that rival get too comfortable. That pair dueled through fractions of :23.27 and :46.95 with Tap to Open game and battling back along the inside to keep things tight as they swung off the far turn. Ms Sophistication refused to yield despite being the 9-1 second-longest shot on the board, pushing the eventual winner all the way to the line with only a head separating the fillies when it mattered.

Whisper Hill went to \$2.2 million to secure I'll Take Charge as a yearling from Keeneland September in 2013 and she rewarded the operation with her second foal, MGSW/GISP **Charge It (Tapit)**, Tap to Open's full-brother. Second dam Take Charge Lady needs little introduction as a MGISW and dam of Eclipse-winner Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song) and GISW **Take Charge Indy** (A.P. Indy) along with GISW As Time Goes By (**American Pharoah**). Another daughter, \$3.2m yearling Charming, produced a champion in Take Charge Brandi (Giant's Causeway) and successful young sire Omaha Beach (War Front). I'll Take Charge has a 2-year-old Into Mischief colt and a yearling colt by **Gun Runner** both unnamed. After taking 2026 off, she went to **Good Magic** for 2027.

PRINCESS OF SYLMAR S., \$75,000, Presque Isle Downs, 8-17, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:40.56, ft.

1--**JUSTIFIABLE STEEL**, 116, f, 3, **Justify**--Northern Beauty, by **Munnings**. (\$200,000 RNA Wlg '23 FTKNOV; \$100,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEESEP; \$50,000 Ylg '24 FTKOCT). **1ST BLACK TYPE WIN**. O-Terry L. Stephens; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Aaron M. West; J-Oscar Villarreal. \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, \$89,000.

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2--**Modarosa**, 121, m, 5, Palace Malice--Essential Rose, by Bernardini. (\$50,000 Ylg '22 FTKOCT). O-DeSales 85 LLC; B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Riley Mott. \$15,000.

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3--**Foxy Junior**, 119, m, 6, Cuba--Foxy Drummer, by Flatter.

O/B-Dianne L. Stern (PA); T-T. Bernard Houghton. \$8,250. Margins: 1, 4 3/4, HD. Odds: 6.50, 1.60, 6.20.

Also Ran: Candy Reward, Night Nurse. Scratched: Nature's Candy, Smooch Up. **Click for the Equibase.com chart or VIDEO, sponsored by FanDuel Racing.**

Justifiable Steel made her stakes debut Monday, putting a three-race win streak on the line in the Princess of Sylmar Stakes at Presque Isle Downs for Aaron West.

The 6-1 third choice had plenty of speed from the rail slot and cleared off easily around the first turn, opening up a comfy advantage over Night Nurse (**Divining Rod**) in second through the half in :46.37. Continuing to pull away at the quarter pole, she was finally taken on by runner up Modarosa who got within a half-length but turned back at Justifiable Steel forged ahead once more to win by a length on the wire.

One of 67 stakes winners for Triple Crown hero **Justify**, Justifiable Steel was a \$50,000 Fasig-Tipton October yearling grad for Terry Stephens. Northern Beauty has a 2-year-old **Volatile** colt named Cannonbury and reported back-to-back fillies in 2025 and 2026 by **Life Is Good** and **Timberlake** respectively.



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FIRST-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

2026 Stud Fees Listed

Aloha West (Hard Spun), Mill Ridge Farm, \$6,500
60 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Presque Isle Downs, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, What's Your Name,
5-1 \$2,500 FTK OCT yrl

Channel Cat (English Channel), Calumet Farm, \$7,500
8 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. EDT, Msw 5f,
Channelurambition, 10-1

Corniche (Quality Road), Coolmore Ashford, \$15,000
109 foals of racing age/6 winners/2 black-type winners
4-Louisiana Downs, 6:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Jactani, 8-1

Golden Pal (Uncle Mo), Coolmore Ashford, \$25,000
204 foals of racing age/16 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Horseshoe Indianapolis, 4:45 p.m. Msw 5f, My Pal Patron, 6-1

Greatest Honour (Tapit), Spendthrift Farm, \$7,500
117 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
6-Presque Isle Downs, 5:45 p.m. EDT, Aoc 6f, Greatest Joy, 6-1

Malibu Max (Malibu Moon), WorkWize Stables, \$2,300
6 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
3-Assiniboia Downs, 9:25 p.m. EDT, \$50K CTHS Sales S., 5 1/2f, Maximum Uproar, 6-1 CAN\$7,500 ALB MIX yrl

SECOND-CROP STARTERS TO WATCH: WED., AUGUST 19

2026 Stud Fees Listed

By My Standards (Goldencents), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000
132 foals of racing age/33 winners/0 black-type winners
4-Louisiana Downs, 6:29 p.m. EDT, Msw 5 1/2f, Standard Issue, 8-1 \$35,000 TTA YRL yrl

Combatant (Scat Daddy), Rockridge Stud
44 foals of racing age/18 winners/2 black-type winners
7-Saratoga, 4:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K New York Stallion Statue of Liberty S., 1m, Combat Move, 6-1 \$135,000 OBS APR 2yo
7-Saratoga, 4:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K New York Stallion Statue of Liberty S., 1m, Morning Prayer, 7-2
\$13,000 RNA FTK OCT yrl; \$150,000 EAS MAY 2yo
7-Saratoga, 4:40 p.m. EDT, \$150K New York Stallion Statue of Liberty S., 1m, She's Country, 2-1
\$5,000 KEE JAN wnl; \$19,000 RNA OBS OCT yrl; \$80,000 OBS

Known Agenda (Curlin), Spendthrift Farm, \$5,000
171 foals of racing age/43 winners/1 black-type winner
3-Assiniboia Downs, 9:25 p.m. EDT, \$50K CTHS Sales S., 5 1/2f, Today's Agenda, \$19,000 RNA KEE NOV wnl; CAN\$18,000 CAN



STAKES RESULTS:

PTHA PRESIDENT'S SPRINT S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 8-18, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17.99, my.

1--**MAILATA, 126, g, 3, by Maximus Mischief--Bouquet of Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro.** O-LC Racing, LLC and Wellesley Stable; B-Cash Is King LLC & LC Racing Stable LLC (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr.; J-Abner Adorno. \$44,400. Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-1, \$210,900. *1/2 to Jeanne Marie (Speightster), SW, \$302,605.

2--**Flyin Hawaiian, 121, g, 3, Maximus Mischief--Quiet Virtue, by Quiet American.** 1ST BLACK TYPE. O-LC Racing LLC, Bonner, James and Reid, Jr., Robert E.; B-Westerly Farm (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr. \$14,800.

3--**Unwritten Rule, 126, c, 3, Justify--Jewish Guilt, by Curlin.** (\$575,000 RNA Ylg '24 KEESEP). O/B-Glen Hill Farm (KY); T-Thomas F. Proctor. \$7,400.

Margins: 2 1/4, HD, 3 1/4. Odds: 18.10, 11.60, 1.30.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S SPRINT S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 8-18, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15.72, gd.

1--**FIRE PIT, 122, c, 4, Cairo Prince--True Martha, by Creative Cause.** (\$13,000 Wlg '22 KEENOV; \$35,000 2yo '24 OBSAPR; \$275,000 RNA 4yo '26 FTKHRA). 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Travin Stables; B-Brereton C. Jones (KY); T-Guadalupe Preciado; J-Flavien Prat. \$44,400. Lifetime Record: GSP, 20-6-3-2, \$298,038.



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2--**Houghton Shuffle, 124, g, 6, Medallist--Runs Like L, by Sunday Break (Jpn).** O-Stevark Stable, Inc. and Rentz, Randy; B-Melissa Houghton (PA); T-Bruce M. Kravets. \$14,800.

3--**Maximus Meridius, 126, g, 5, Maximus Mischief--Quiet Virtue, by Quiet American.** O-LC Racing, LLC and Wellesley Stable; B-Westerly Farm (PA); T-Robert E. Reid, Jr. \$7,400.

Margins: 3/4, 2HF, 3/4. Odds: 4.30, 9.60, 2.50.

MAYOR'S MILE S., \$75,000, Parx Racing, 8-18, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:36.87, gd.

1--**MARGIE'S FUN SON, 122, g, 6, Keen Ice--Margaret Mary, by Dance With Ravens.** 1ST BLACK TYPE WIN. O-Marian Cizmar; B-Michael Terry Shane (PA); T-Ronald B. Abrams; J-Francisco Martinez. \$44,400. Lifetime Record: 41-8-7-10, \$311,140.

2--**Wild Vine, 126, g, 7, Red Vine--Praslin, by Even the Score.** O-Super C Racing, Inc. and Jagger, Inc.; B-RR Equine Stables,

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LLC (PA); T-Jamie Ness. \$14,800.

3--**Nelson Avenue**, 126, g, 7, Into Mischief--Via Strata, by Street Cry (Ire). (\$65,000 5yo '24 FTDMA). O-Photos Finish LLC; B-Godolphin (KY); T-Jorge R. Abreu. \$7,400.
Margins: 3 1/4, HD, NO. Odds: 16.50, 3.60, 2.30.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$45,200, (S), (C)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 8-18, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09.26, ft, 2 lengths.

JR SHADOW BOY (g, 3, Unbridled Express--Mildred, by Hard Spun) Lifetime Record: 6-6-0-0, \$217,500. O-Jimenez Racing Stable, LLC; B-Paul King (IN); T-Joseph D. Davis. *\$3,500 Ylg '24 INDYRL.

3rd-Horseshoe Indianapolis, \$44,880, 8-18, (NW1\$X), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08.08, ft, 4 1/2 lengths.

TIZ EDDIE (g, 5, Sahara Sky--Tiz Athena, by Poseidon's Warrior) Lifetime Record: 19-6-4-3, \$221,820. O-Ellen K. Hobson; B-Don R. Hobson (IN); T-Tomas Medina.

7th-Fairmount, \$42,500, (S), (NW3L)/Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 8-18, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11.76, ft, 1/2 length.

DREAM GOLD (g, 4, Goldencents--Dovecote, by Candy Ride {Arg}) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-0, \$83,754. O/B-Bobby W. Austin (IL); T-Save Friddle.

1st-Presque Isle Downs, \$31,350, (S), 8-18, (NW1BX), 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10.13, ft, 3/4 length.

BODY BY CARVEL (g, 3, Street Boss--Beautify, by Lemon Drop Kid) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$39,510. O-The Elkstone Group LLC (Stuart Grant); B-Blackstone Farm LLC (PA); T-Ron G. Potts. *\$30,000 Ylg '24 FTKJUL.



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3rd-Finger Lakes, \$26,305, 8-18, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11.30, ft, 8 3/4 lengths.

ANGEL GIFT (f, 3, Connect--Georgie's Angel {GSW, \$129,564}, by Bellamy Road) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-0, \$101,790. O-Repole Stable; B-Kathleen Burke Schweizer & Daniel J. Burke (NY); T-Jeremiah C. Englehart. *\$300,000 Ylg '24 SARAUG. **1/2 to Cave Rock (Arrogate), MGISW, \$748,000.

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7th-Finger Lakes, \$26,000, (S), (NW3BX)/Opt. Clm (\$15,000), 8-18, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:44.37, ft, 1 length.

ZEEBEAR (g, 7, Mission Impazible--Pont de l'Alma {SP}, by Catienus) Lifetime Record: 27-6-6-5, \$252,992. O-David C. Lathrop; B-William L. E. Sinkler (NY); T-M. Anthony Ferraro. *1/2 to Nina Kay (Cupid), SP, \$201,000.

1st-Finger Lakes, \$25,000, (S), (NW2BX)/Opt. Clm (\$10,000), 8-18, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10.66, ft, 1 3/4 lengths.

BLAMICKER (c, 4, Blame--Thicker Than Water, by Speightstown) Lifetime Record: 10-6-1-0, \$106,331. O-My Purple Haze Stables; B-Newtownanner Stud Farm (NY); T-Chris J. Englehart. *\$57,000 RNA Ylg '23 FTKOCT.

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6th-Fort Erie, C\$21,160, 8-17, (NW3L), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05.28, ft, 3/4 length.

MO ARGENTO (f, 4, Mo Town--Silver Adventure, by Silver Deputy) Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-0, \$56,006. O-Bruno Schickedanz; B-Jennifer Leuty (ON); T-Nick Guy Mileni, Jr. *\$70,000 Ylg '23 FTKOCT. **1/2 to Souper Classy (Souper Speedy), SP, \$206,816 and Shaft of Light (Smart Strike), GSP, \$385,922.

6th-Mountaineer Casino & Resort, \$19,200, (S), 8-17, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:14.52, gd, 1 3/4 lengths.

BLOWN AWAY (g, 4, Aldrin--Ghost Fever, by Fiber Sonde) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-1, \$23,355. O/T-J. Michael Baird; B-O'Sullivan Farms LLC (VA).



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Aldrin, Blown Away, g, 4, o/o Ghost Fever, by Fiber Sonde. ALW, 8-17, Mountaineer

Blame, Blamicker, c, 4, o/o Thicker Than Water, by Speightstown. AOC, 8-18, Finger Lakes

Cairo Prince, Fire Pit, c, 4, o/o True Martha, by Creative Cause. State Representative's Sprint S., 8-18, Parx Racing

Connect, Angel Gift, f, 3, o/o Georgie's Angel, by Bellamy Road. ALW, 8-18, Finger Lakes

Goldcents, Dream Gold, g, 4, o/o Dovecote, by **Candy Ride (Arg)**. AOC, 8-18, Fairmount

Justify, Justifiable Steel, f, 3, o/o Northern Beauty, by **Munnings**. Princess of Sylmar S., 8-17, Presque Isle Downs

Keen Ice, Margie's Fun Son, g, 6, o/o Margaret Mary, by Dance With Ravens. Mayor's Mile S., 8-18, Parx Racing

Maximus Mischief, Mailata, g, 3, o/o Bouquet of Gold, by Medaglia d'Oro. PTHA President's Sprint S., 8-18, Parx Racing

Mission Impazible, Zeebear, g, 7, o/o Pont de l'Alma, by Catienus. AOC, 8-18, Finger Lakes

Mo Town, Mo Argento, f, 4, o/o Silver Adventure, by Silver Deputy. ALW, 8-17, Fort Erie

Sahara Sky, Tiz Eddie, g, 5, o/o Tiz Athena, by Poseidon's Warrior. ALW, 8-18, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Street Boss, Body by Carvel, g, 3, o/o Beautify, by Lemon Drop Kid. ALW, 8-18, Presque Isle Downs

Tapit, Tap to Open, f, 3, o/o I'll Take Charge, by Indian Charlie. Cathryn Sophia S., 8-18, Parx Racing

Unbridled Express, Jr Shadow Boy, g, 3, o/o Mildred, by **Hard Spun**. AOC, 8-18, Horseshoe Indianapolis

Uncle Chuck, Micanopy, g, 3, o/o Golden Horseshoe, by Belong to Me. Smarty Jones S., 8-18, Parx Racing

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'HE'S RELENTLESS': O'BRIEN HAS CONSTITUTION RIVER PRIMED FOR OMBUDSMAN SHOWDOWN



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by Tom Frary

After Britain's relatively quiet spell following the King George, it is time to take to the "Ascot of the North" for York's prestige Ebor Festival and a barnstormer to open the action on Wednesday. At the home of the famous old match races, we have probably the best of the season so far as Ryan Moore's "real deal" **Constitution River** (Wootton Bassett) looks to dethrone **Ombudsman** (Night Of Thunder) in the G1 Juddmonte International Stakes.

It is worth remembering that this place, which bore witness to the great historic duel between Voltigeur and The Flying Dutchman, was mooted as the meeting point for Dubai Millennium and Montjeu before injury intervened at the turn of the century and with its level playing field is the ideal venue for a fair fight.

What remains open to question is the equity of the weight-for-age scale, which puts Godolphin's stalwart at an instant disadvantage. Is there a horse in training capable of giving the Ballydoyle three-year-old seven pounds? Physically, does anybody believe that Ombudsman has that amount in hand for two years' worth of extra maturity? [Cont. p3](#)

ARQANA TEAM BID TO KEEP DREAMLAND IN DEAUVILLE ALIVE DURING V2 SALE

By Brian Sheerin

A dreamland in Deauville. That is how Arqana's head of bloodstock Ludovic Cornuel summed up a record-breaking August Sale that saw ten different horses change hands for seven-figure sums and get the European yearling sale season off to a sprint start.

Albeit at an entirely different level, Cornuel says that he is optimistic that the sales house can maintain the gallop at the V2 Sale, the quality of which has been given a resounding thumbs up by leading French bloodstock agents Laurent Benoit and Hubert Guy.

"The mood was great here all weekend and especially after the sale finished on Monday," Cornuel said whilst inspecting some of the V2 stock ahead of Wednesday's sale, which begins at 11am. "Obviously, it was the type of sale that you can only dream of. We were not necessarily anticipating such fantastic results beforehand so it was a superb surprise." [Cont. p6](#)

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JOCKEY CLUB SEEKS TO REMOVE MARSHALL GRAMM

The Jockey Club will begin to take steps to remove owner Marshall Gramm from membership.

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Ballylinch Stud stallion Bayside Boy sired his 14th first-crop winner with Emotional Hedging (right) at Roscommon on Tuesday. See page 12 for more. | Racingfotos.com

9 | RASHABAR TO JOIN CASTILLON STALLIONS NEXT YEAR

*The G2 Coventry Stakes-winning son of **Holy Roman Emperor** will stand at Haras de Castillon.*

11 | TEN SOVEREIGNS FILLY WINS AT CHEPSTOW

Impulsive Spirit, a first-time starter, won at Chepstow for Nick Shutts and trainer David Evans.

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York's Ebor Festival Preview Cont. from p1

These are the questions that will have to be answered over the ten furlongs and 56 yards of this exacting test lasting just over two minutes.

Ombudsman won his race within a race 12 months ago, which if you extract the pacemaker Birr Castle from the picture was a three-furlong sprint for the main protagonists, but he can also do it off hard fractions as he proved at Royal Ascot last year and this.

Constitution River ran over an almost identical trip to this in Chester's Dee Stakes in May and turned in a sensational time which marked him out as extraordinary even before he won his Group 1s. Forced to go too quick early on his next two starts at Chantilly and Sandown, he was able to maintain whereas others caved in and at this stage he has no identifiable weakness.



Christmas Day | Bronwen Healy

You sense that Moore and Aidan O'Brien just can't get enough of **Constitution** River and the trainer can't use up enough of his descriptive vocabulary either. "It's his power and his scope, the way he stays and quickens--he has a great mind and is

developing really well with every month," he said. "He's powerful, straightforward and relentless. He's very *out there*, he doesn't need to have a lead and he's very happy to do things himself, he's a very exciting horse, this."

"There's every chance he'll get a lot further than this and so he'll benefit from an even pace, as we call it," he added. "He has all the things you need and that will suit every horse. We'd rather get beat in that type of race than in a mess."

While most of the talk surrounds the big two, there is also Juddmonte's **Item** (**Frankel**) whose two outings here have resulted in not-inconsequential wins in the course-and-distance Group 2s, the Dante and York Stakes. **Cont. p4**

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JUDDMONTE

York's Ebor Festival Preview Cont.

"He's only been beaten once and that was in the Derby when the ground went against him," trainer Andrew Balding said.

"He's a very talented horse and although he's going to have to improve a good deal again, we know the track suits him."

"Last time, things went against him but he was very strong at the line against some good older horses and this strongly-run race will suit him better," he added. "He's still untapped potential and the signs are that his performances are pretty strong. He probably needs ten pounds of improvement, which is a lot, but these horses do improve."

Elsewhere on the opening day, the G2 Sky Bet Great Voltigeur Stakes is not short on star quality in its own right, with the Derby hero **Christmas Day** (Camelot) and runner-up **Maltese Cross** (Sea The Stars) lining up under five-pound penalties and on the form book at least therefore vulnerable to the former's stablemate **Pierre Bonnard** (Camelot).

George Waud and William Haggas have yet to decide on the Arc or St Leger for Maltese Cross, who went on to take a competitive renewal of the Grand Prix de Paris with a strong staying effort, and it is likely that this will tell them which way to go. "I don't like the penalty, but it is what it is and we've got no other choice if we want to run in the Leger or the Arc," Haggas said. "It'll be a tough race, especially with his penalty, but he's very well and doesn't appear to mind any ground so we're very hopeful. I'd say he's going the right way. I don't know when it'll stop, but we'll find that out soon enough."

Wednesday also boasts the G3 Tattersalls Acomb Stakes, one of a trio of Group races at the meeting for the two-year-olds and which plays host to Ballydoyle's TDN Rising Star and Vintage Stakes runner-up **Haffner** (Justify). [Cont. p5](#)



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HARRY ANGEL

That Friday feeling! Sire of two juvenile Stakes winners in one day: **Alwaysanangel** lands the Listed Firville Stakes at Cork, while **Angels Lane**, previously second in the Super Sprint, wins the St Hugh's Stakes. Plus, on the same card at Newbury, **Evenfall** retains her unbeaten record. **All roads lead to the G1 Cheveley Park...**

Don't miss his yearlings at Doncaster and the Somerville Sale.

Darley

York's Ebor Festival Preview Cont.

On Thursday, Juddmonte's King George heroine **Kalpana** (Study Of Man) will face a strong field in the feature G1 Legends Global Yorkshire Oaks after last year's winner **Minnie Hauk** (**Frankel**) and Wells Watson's Irish Oaks winner **Johanna Walsh** (**Sea The Stars**) were confirmed on Tuesday. The Andrew Balding-trained five-year-old occupies short-priced favouritism for the 12-furlong feature, in which Juddmonte are also represented by the Oaks runner-up **Legacy Link** (**Frankel**) from the Gosdens.

Completing the line-up are the Lancashire Oaks winner **Tattycoram** (**Camelot**), the dual Classic-placed **Inis Mor** (Galiway), the Ribblesdale Stakes winner

Earth Shot (Time Test), the Irish Oaks third **Sparan Nua** (**Dawn Approach**) and Ballydoyle's Oaks third **Sugar Island** (Dubawi).

Also on the card, Aidan O'Brien has confirmed the recent Phoenix Stakes heroine **Sun Goddess** (**Sioux Nation**) in the

Harry's Half Million By Goffs, while the Albany winner **Libertango** (**No Nay Never**) will face **TDN Rising Star Star Of State** (State Of Rest) in the G2 Sky Bet Lowther Stakes.

Friday is all about the G1 Coolmore **City Of Troy** Nunthorpe

Stakes and Wesley Ward will be praying the rain stays away for **Bacio** (Maclean's Music), a strong favourite on the back of his *tour de force* in Royal Ascot's Palace Of Holyroodhouse Handicap. Francis Graffard will be hoping that he can produce a third Group 1 win this month for The Aga Khan Studs via his high-class filly **Rayevka** (Blue Point), while this looks to be the swansong of Britain's adopted Aussie queen **Asfoora** (Flying Artie). Also on the card are the G2 Weatherbys Lonsdale Cup for the stayers and G2 Al Basti Equiworld



Lifeplan (left) runs in the City Of York Stakes | PA Media

Dubai Gimcrack Stakes for the fast juveniles including the unbeaten Rose Bowl winner **Arapaho Gold** (Bayside Boy) representing the Michael Dods stable so synonymous with this meeting. **Cont. p6**

The Dubawi dynasty



DATA: 16/8/26

His G1-winning two-year-old **Power Blue** was Timeform's **highest-rated juvenile** by a freshman sire in 2025. This year's two-year-old crop already includes Stakes winners **Ballinea Star** and **Give You My Love**.

Sire of more Black Type horses than St Mark's Basilica and matching strides with Starman by Black Type winners in 2026. *Must-see yearlings selling at Arqana and Goffs.*

Darley

York's Ebor Festival Preview Cont.

Saturday's action revolves around the key race of the week, the Sky Bey Ebor Handicap, but also includes the G1 Sky Bet City Of York Stakes, Britain's sole top-level contest over seven furlongs and very strong on paper to justify the status. Godolphin's **Notable Speech** (Dubawi) is in there at present along with **Satono Reve** (Lord Kanaloa), **Lake Forest** (**No Nay Never**), **Zavateri** (Without Parole), **True Love** (**No Nay Never**) and **Ten Bob Tony** (Night Of Thunder).

There won't be much left behind on the Knavesmire this week and we will all know a lot more about the relative standings of some of the best in training. We might very well even see the best of the best, as we have at this festival so many times before.

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Arqana V2 Preview Cont. from p1

He added, "We had the horses, which made us optimistic. However, I think it was very difficult to anticipate what would happen because we were all here in the spring for the breeze-ups when the market was going through something of a contraction compared to the previous year. For the August Sale, we had great sire power, fantastic physicals and pedigrees. On that front, we were very optimistic, but there are some

parameters that we obviously don't control and that we weren't sure about. So, it was a great surprise in the end and everyone on the team was extremely happy."

The V2 Sale features nice models by top stallions like **Sioux Nation**, Mehmas and Havana Grey as well as young French-based sires like **Vadeni**, Mishriff and Onesto. The stock on the ground was described as "quite good" by renowned agent Benoit while Guy explained that he hopes to be active after being similarly impressed by what is on offer. [Cont. p7](#)



The V2 Sale gets underway at 11am on Wednesday | Zuzanna Lupa

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Arqana V2 Preview Cont.

He said, "I have found a couple. It looks as though there are some numbers [lots] that are making a bit of sense. Okay, this sale is not as flamboyant as the August Sale, but nobody is saying that it is. It's a developing sale and, while it has a lot less stallion power and a lot less pedigree, we'll see what happens. I bought two nice prospects over the past few days here but didn't get as many as I wanted because it was very strong. Okay, it wasn't Saratoga, but it had the same spirit - anything that was really nice made plenty."

Guy added, "I think it depends which end of the gun you are on - from my end, it wasn't that great but, if you were a vendor, you will be very happy."

The August Sale clearance rate settled at around 80% this year - roughly the same it has been for the past few years. Outside of the blockbuster millionaire

yearlings that were snapped up by either Godolphin or Coolmore, an encouraging number of trainers got on the scoresheet.

Meanwhile, new wave of buyers - including a notable cohort of Irish breeze-up handlers - flew into Deauville especially for the V2 session while Amy Murphy, who runs G2 Prix Robert Papin winner Tokaido (Ubettabelieveit) in the Harry's Half Million at York this week, was busy sifting through every horse on Tuesday in a bid to find her next stable star.

Murphy said, "I've been buying out of this sale for the past two years. You get a lot of nice, early two-year-old types here and there are definitely one or two gems. It is a sale you need to work hard but, to be honest, we work every sale hard. We will

look at every horse here and we will do the same next week during the Premier Yearling Sale in Doncaster." [Cont. p8](#)



Selling will continue at the Arqana sales pavilion on Wednesday with the V2 sale | Zuzanna Lupa

BATED BREATH

DANSILI - TANTINA (DISTANT VIEW)

Stamping his class

"The way he has won that, with such authority, was class"

TRAINER CLIVE COX

Another Group victory for **BATED BREATH** as **Coppull** strikes in the **Gr.2** Hungerford Stakes

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Amy Murphy | PA Media

Arqana V2 Preview Cont.

She added, "We've got a good few syndicates who are buying on a budget and we have people looking from everything from an early two-year-old to a miler - we will be trying to fill some of those orders here on Wednesday."

Cornuel agrees that, for all that the record-breaking August Yearling Sale provided a feel-good factor that sent

reverberations across the European bloodstock market, a more accurate barometer on the health of the middle to lower tiers will be taken during the V2 Sale.

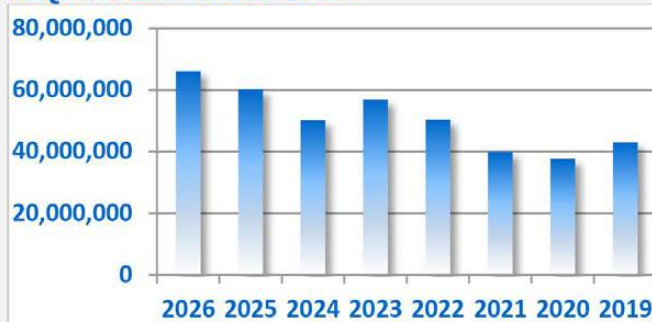
He said, "I think there is a very good dynamic in France. We have young operations that invest a lot in broodmares, sending them to the best stallions in Europe in order to improve their stock and provide the best yearlings possible for the sales. That has been the trend over the last few years and it is very promising. We are definitely benefiting from it and a lot of people are saying that the stock here for V2 is good. The V2 Sale was initially designed to provide mature and precocious horses that would be ready to run in the first semester of the season."

Cornuel concluded, "We know that in France we have some precocious horses and precocious stallions, but not as many as some other countries. Therefore, not all of them are necessarily two-year-old performers in the making. However, the horses in V2 are selected for their physique and their maturity. That is the DNA of the sale. This year in particular, it is going to be quite an interesting sale because we have a very strong group of first-season sires in France to discover. Hopefully the good results of the August Sale will continue at the V2 Sale and throughout the rest of the season."

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ARQANA BREEZE UP SALE



"Arqana's August Yearling Sale generated over €65 million—up 9.5% year on year—with the average rising 4.6% to €279,283 despite a slightly softer €160,000 median; 233 of 294 yearlings sold, producing a 79% clearance rate. The top end was particularly strong, with 10 seven-figure lots and a record €4.6m Wootton Bassett colt, while Ecurie des Monceaux accounted for almost 30% of turnover and Godolphin spent €13.3m on nine yearlings."

- Brian Sheerin

Year	Cat	Ring	Sold	%w/d	%s/r	%s/c	Gross	Ave
2026	325	295	236	9.3%	80.0%	72.6%	€ 66,243,000	€ 277,682
2025	307	272	217	11.4%	79.8%	71.0%	€ 60,177,000	€ 266,884
2024	325	292	226	10.0%	77.4%	69.6%	€ 50,237,000	€ 217,058
2023	314	283	245	9.9%	86.6%	78.0%	€ 56,949,000	€ 232,445
2022	313	285	240	9.0%	84.2%	76.7%	€ 50,406,000	€ 210,025
2021	355	325	244	8.4%	75.0%	68.7%	€ 39,912,000	€ 163,574
2020	492	416	310	15.4%	74.5%	63.0%	€ 37,697,500	€ 121,605
2019	338	304	230	10.1%	75.6%	68.0%	€ 43,019,000	€ 187,039

EUROPEAN NEWS

CASTILLON STALLIONS RECRUIT COVENTRY WINNER RASHABAR FOR 2027



Rashabar winning the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot | Zuzanna Lupa

The G2 Coventry Stakes winner **Rashabar** (**Holy Roman Emperor**) will take up stallion duties at Haras de Castillon in 2027, joining the burgeoning roster standing under the Castillon Stallions banner at the Normandy farm.

Benoit Jeffroy, founder of Castillon Stallions, said, "I am delighted that Sam Sangster and his partners have chosen us ahead of several studs in Britain. Rashabar's race record and physical make him a very attractive commercial prospect. There is also a strong support programme behind the horse, with both his owners and Castillon firmly committed to him."

Trained by Brian Meehan, Rashabar confirmed his standing as one of the leading two-year-olds of his generation when following his Royal Ascot win with runner-up finishes in both the G1 Prix Morny and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere. Though failing to add to his tally as a three-year-old, the son of **Holy Roman Emperor** continued to acquit himself well at a high level, notably finishing second in both the G2 Prix Guillaume d'Ornano and G3 Greenham Stakes. He was also fourth in the Irish 2,000 Guineas, before occupying the same position when returning to Royal Ascot for the G1 St James's Palace Stakes.

"Rashabar was an incredibly genuine, tough and talented horse," said Meehan. "He had the speed to win a Coventry, but also the constitution and class to be highly competitive in Group 1 company. He was a pleasure to train, very sound-minded, straightforward and willing and I very much look forward to training his progeny in the future."

Bred at Haras de Beaufay, Rashabar is one of two winners from as many runners out of the unraced **Camelot** mare Amazonka, along with the G3 Prix Vanteaux second and G3 Prix Chloe third Lethal Beauty (Acclamation). Amazonka is herself a half-sister to the G3 Bronte Cup Fillies' Stakes winner River Of Stars (**Sea The Stars**)--who also filled the runner-up spot in the G1 Prix de Royallieu and G1 Caulfield Cup--and the Listed Dortmund St. Leger Trial scorer Apadanah (**Holy Roman Emperor**).

Rashabar was bought for €120,000 at the Arqana August Yearling Sale, with Sam Sangster, who raced him under the banner of his Manton Thoroughbreds, committed to supporting him in his second career.

"He gave us the day of our lives at Royal Ascot and he showed the sort of precocity every breeder is looking for," said Sangster. "To win a Coventry in June and then be only just denied in two Group 1s later the same season, at Deauville and at Longchamp, takes a proper two year-old. He trained on and took on the very best at three, and he is a lovely, powerful, correct horse who has always looked every inch a stallion."

"I have seen at first hand how much difference it makes when a young horse has his owners genuinely behind him, as Diego Velazquez has had, and Rashabar will get exactly that from us. We will be supporting him with our own mares from the first season. We would not be doing this if we did not believe in him."

A stud fee for Rashabar will be announced at a later date.

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FIRST-SEASON SIRE WITH RUNNERS

Wednesday, August 19, 2026:

UNITED KINGDOM

Bayside Boy (Ire) (New Bay {GB}), Ballylinch Stud

85 foals of racing age/14 winners/2 black-type winners

14:25-YORK, 175K GIII The Tattersalls Acomb Stakes (Class 1) (Group 3)7f, **Trean (Ire)**

€27,000 Goffs February Sale 2025; €20,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

Blackbeard (Ire) (**No Nay Never**), Coolmore Stud

116 foals of racing age/12 winners/0 black-type winners

17:20-YORK, 6f, **The Dancing Pirate (GB)**

110,000gns RNA Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025

17:20-YORK, 6f, **Savage Mariner (Ire)**

€65,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €80,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025; £84,000 Tattersalls Guineas Breeze Up & HIT Sale 2026

17:20-YORK, 6f, **Towelontheterrace (Ire)**

€40,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 62,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025; £10,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

Caturra (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Overbury Stud

68 foals of racing age/3 winners/0 black-type winners
18:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Carrow Road (GB)**

17,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 3) 2025;
£40,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

Naval Crown (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}), Kildangan Stud

71 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
14:05-CARLISLE, 5.75f, **Sayidah Bahra (Ire)**

Perfect Power (Ire) (Ardad {Ire}), Dalham Hall Stud

57 foals of racing age/5 winners/0 black-type winners
18:30-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Perfect Heir (GB)**
32,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale 2024; 50,000gns Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025
17:58-KEMPTON PARK, 7f, **Perfect Hope (GB)**
17:20-YORK, 6f, **Underdog (GB)**
£140,000 Goffs UK Premier Yearling Sale 2025

Persian Force (Ire) (Mehmas {Ire}), Tally-Ho Stud

99 foals of racing age/17 winners/1 black-type winner
17:20-YORK, 6f, **Dubai Champion (Ire)**

€38,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 40,000gns Tattersalls Craven Breeze Up Sale 2026

17:20-YORK, 6f, **Fantasy Force (Ire)**

€40,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 50,000gns RNA Tattersalls Somerville Yearling Sale 2025; £56,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

17:20-YORK, 6f, **Henley On Thames (Ire)**

€17,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; €22,000 Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling 2025; £125,000 Goffs UK 2yo Breeze Up Sale 2026

17:20-YORK, 6f, **Persian Spring (Ire)**

100,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2025

State of Rest (Ire) (**Starspangledbanner {Aus}**), Rathbarry Stud

79 foals of racing age/4 winners/0 black-type winners
14:05-CARLISLE, 5.75f, **Guadalevin (Ire)**

€32,000 Goffs November Foal Sale 2024; 60,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 1) 2025

FRANCE

Ebro River (Ire) (Galileo Gold {GB}), Haras de la Haie Neuve
29 foals of racing age/0 winners/0 black-type winners
4-VICHY, 1600m, **Riverheight (Fr)**

Keiai Nautique (Jpn) (Deep Impact {Jpn}), Karwin Farm
25 foals of racing age/2 winners/0 black-type winners
5-VICHY, 1600m, **Nakaia (Fr)**

Sealiway (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), Haras de Beaumont
86 foals of racing age/6 winners/0 black-type winners
5-VICHY, 1600m, **Do You Sea (Fr)**



Sealiway has a runner in France | Haras de Beaumont

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HOW THEY FARED

3.15 Chepstow, Mdn, 2yo, 7f 16yT

Talamon (Starspangledbanner), the half-brother to Fev Rover (Gutaifan), showed promise staying on to be third.



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BRITAIN

Tuesday's Results:

2nd-Chepstow, £10,000, Mdn, 8-18, 2yo, f, 5f 16yT, :59.07, g/f.
IMPULSIVE SPIRIT (IRE) (f, 2, Ten Sovereigns {Ire}--Nuclear Option {Ire}, by Frozen Power {Ire}), sent off at 14-1, raced behind the early leaders from the outset. Staying on powerfully on the run to the line, the newcomer overhauled Kokumi (**Blackbeard**) near the line for a neck success.

"I loved her from the moment I got on her--debuts like this are all about learning on the job and for her to do that over five promotes her ability," jockey David Probert said. "She kept coming the whole way through the race, gave me a nice feel and found the line really well."

Trainer David Evans added, "She did it quite professionally, but everything comes easily to her. We had a lot of problems early on, whether it was because she was growing or the hormones I don't know, but she's got a lot of ability. She's in the Goffs Million race, so seven furlongs will have to be looked at."

The dam, a half to the Listed-placed Danielsflyer (Dandy Man), hails from the family of the Give Thanks Stakes winner Juliette (Sadler's Wells). Sales history: €7,500 RNA Wlg '24 GOFNOF; €38,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY; £85,000 2yo '26 GOUKB. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,313.

O-Nick Shutts; B-Milestream Stud Company Ltd; T-David Evans.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Javelot (GB), c, 2, Harry Angel (Ire)--Guroor (GB), by Lope De Vega (Ire). Wolverhampton, 8-18, 7f 36y (AWT), 1:30.68.
 Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,796. B-Marco Botti Ltd.

Avionics (Ire), c, 2, Kodi Bear (Ire)--Jane Rose (Ire), by Acclamation (GB). Chepstow, 8-18, 7f 16yT, 1:22.11. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$14,862. B-Jane Rose Partnership. *€45,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY; 150,000gns 2yo '26 TATBRE.

Musical Force (GB), f, 2, Land Force (Ire)--Gift Of Music (Ire), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB). Lingfield, 8-18, 6f 1y (AWT), 1:11.02.
 Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$9,187. B-Littleton Stud.

Franschhoek (GB), g, 3, Saxon Warrior (Jpn)--Luang Prabang (Ire), by Invincible Spirit (Ire). Wolverhampton, 8-18, 9f 104y (AWT), 2:00.89. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$9,014. B-Des Thurlby. *50,000gns RNA Wlg '23 TADEWE; 40,000gns RNA Ylg '24 TATSOM. **1/2 to Woodhay Wonder (GB) (Tamayuz {GB}), GSP-Eng.



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IRELAND

Tuesday's Results:

3rd-Roscommon, €27,000, Cond, 8-18, 2yo, 7f 111yT, 1:33.29, gd.

EMOTIONAL HEDGING (IRE) (g, 2, **Bayside Boy {Ire}**--**Sherkin Island {Ire}**, by **Fastnet Rock {Aus}**), runner-up on debut over six furlongs at Sligo earlier this month, sat far off the fast tempo early. Staying on to reel in Seven Nation Army (Counterattack) in the final 50 yards, the 15-2 shot asserted to score by half a length.

The winner, the 13th by his first-season sire, is the first foal out of the dam whose second is a 2026 filly by Palace Pier. She is a daughter of the Listed winner and Prix de Royallieu-placed Galvaun (Galileo), in turn a full-sister to the Breeders' Cup Turf hero Red Rocks. Sales history: €40,000 Wlg '24 GOFNOF; €15,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$24,209. O-Perennial Racing Syndicate; B-Ballylinch Stud; T-Gavin Cromwell.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cashel Queen (Ire), f, 2, **Supremacy (Ire)**--Kendannemarie (Fr), by Kendargent (Fr). Roscommon, 8-18, 7f 111yT, 1:33.60. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$21,252. B-Ray Kileen. *€30,000 Wlg '24 GOFNOF; €46,000 Ylg '25 GOFORY. **1/2 to Gregolimo (Fr) (Galiway {GB}), SW & MGSP-Fr, GSP-Aus, \$245,088.

Magnum Cor (Ire), c, 3, **Sea The Stars (Ire)**--Miss Macnamara (Ire), by Dylan Thomas (Ire). Roscommon, 8-18, 12f 48yT, 2:43.79. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$9,014. B-Anthony Griffiths & Sunderland Holding. *€130,000 Ylg '24 GOFORY. **1/2 to Sonnyboyliston (Ire) (Power {GB}), G1SW-Ire, GSP-Eng, GSP-KSA, \$1,410,989.

Save The Sixes (Ire), f, 3, **Space Blues (Ire)**--Montefino (Ire), by Shamardal. Roscommon, 8-18, 7f 111yT, 1:34.11. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$8,338. B-Thomas Hassett. *220,000gns Ylg '24 TATOCT. **1/2 to Anda Muchacho (Ire) (Helmet {Aus}), MGSW-Itly, \$747,206.

FRANCE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

1st-Deauville, €25,600, 8-18, 3yo, 10fT, 2:14.35, g/s.

EARTHQUAKE (FR) (g, 3, **Zelzal {Fr}**--**Zagora {Fr}** {**Champion Grass Mare & MGISW-US, MGSW-Fr**}, by **Green Tune**) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, €34,668. O-Alain Jathiere; B-Al Shaqab Racing; T-Mario Baratti. *€18,000 HRA '25 ARQAUT. **1/2 to Tuned

(GB) (Toronado {Ire}), MSW-Fr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Golden Run (Fr), g, 2, **Goken (Fr)**--Santa Louisia (GB), by Highest Honor (Fr). Saint-Malo, 8-18, 9fT, 1:58.75. B-SCA Elevage de Tourgeville, Mme H Erculiani & Mme P Lepeudry. *€7,000 Ylg '25 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Duke Of Dundee (Fr) (Duke Of Marmalade {Ire}), SP-Fr.

Just Yet (Ire), f, 2, **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**--Astonished (Fr), by Reliable Man (GB). Saint-Malo, 8-18, 9fT, B-Fair Salinia Ltd.

Princess Maitha (Ire), f, 3, **Circus Maximus (Ire)**--Banimpire (Ire) (GSW-Eng, MGSW & G1SP-Ire, G1SP-Fr), by **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**. Saint-Malo, 8-18, 9fT, 1:54.56. B-Banimpire Syndicate. *€3,000 Wlg '23 GOFNOV; €26,000 Ylg '24 TIRSEP; 27,000gns HRA '26 TATJUL. **Full to Green Storm (Ire), G1SP-Fr, GSP-Eng.

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Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 15:35

JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL STAKES-G1, £1,500,000, 3yo/up, 10f 56y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Almaqam (GB)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum	Ed Walker	Kieran Shoemark	134
2	Devil's Advocate (GB)	Too Darn Hot (GB)	Godolphin	John & Thady Gosden	Robert Havlin	134
3	Ombudsman (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Godolphin	John & Thady Gosden	William Buick	134
4	Pride Of Arras (Ire)	New Bay (GB)	Mrs David Aykroyd	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	134
5	Zaydann (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Aga Khan Studs	Francis-Henri Graffard	Mickael Barzalona	134
6	Action (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Tabor/Smith/Magnier	Aidan O'Brien	Ronan Whelan	127
7	Constitution River (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Tabor/Smith/Magnier/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	127
8	Hawk Mountain (Ire)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Smith/Magnier/Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	127
9	Item (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Juddmonte	Andrew Balding	Colin Keane	127

Breeders: 1-Godolphin, 2-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd, 3-J Hanly, 4-Mr & Mrs David Aykroyd, 5-Aga Khan Studs, 6-Coolmore, 7-LG Bloodstock, 8-Coolmore, 9-Juddmonte Farms Inc.

Last year's hero **Ombudsman** shades G1 Prix du Jockey Club and G1 Eclipse winner **Constitution River** in ante-post betting lists for this "Breeders' Cup Challenge Series: Win and You're In" heat. Both have chaperones in attendance, namely **Devil's Advocate** and **Action**, while Ballydoyle is also represented by **Hawk Mountain**, who chased home **Constitution River** when placed in both Jockey Club and Eclipse. The race sponsor's **Item** is the fourth sophomore contender and sandwiched a ninth in the G1 Derby with victories in the G2 Dante and G2 York Stakes at this venue. Subsequent Arc hero Daryz was last of six here last year and connections rely on the progressive G3 Grand Prix de Vichy victor **Zaydann** this time around, while the line-up is completed by G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup winner **Almaqam** and **Pride Of Arras**, who boasts a record of two-from-three at the track. [Sean Cronin].

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 15:00

SKY BET GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES-G2, £250,000, 3yo, c/g, 11f 188y

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Christmas Day (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Magnier/Tabor/Smith/Westerberg/Brant	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	133
2	Maltese Cross (Fr)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	George Waud	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	133
3	Antigua (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Brant/Magnier/Tabor/Smith/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Ronan Whelan	128
4	Galiyan (GB)	Galiway (GB)	Rashid Al Saud	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	128
5	Pierre Bonnard (Ire)	Camelot (GB)	Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/D Smith/Westerberg	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	128
6	Superior Choice (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Ace Stud	John & Thady Gosden	Shane Foley	128

Breeders: 1-Framont Ltd, 2-Ecurie du Sud & Ecurie Gribomont, 3-Lynch Bages Ltd & Camas Park Stud, 4-Newsells Park Stud & Merry Fox Stud, 5-Rathasker Stud, 6-Lordship Stud.

Derby second **Maltese Cross** cranked through the gears when overcoming traffic problems in ParisLongchamp's G1 Grand Prix de Paris last month and once again crosses swords with his Blue Riband conqueror **Christmas Day**, while Epsom seventh **Pierre Bonnard** and Fairyhouse maiden winner **Antigua** complete a trio of Ballydoyle contenders on parade. This stepping stone to next month's G1 St Leger also features Listed Glasgow Stakes victor **Superior Choice** and G3 Bahrain Trophy runner-up **Galiyan**. [Sean Cronin].

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 14:25

TATTERSALLS ACOMB STAKES-G3, £175,000, 2yo, 7f 0y



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SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Alfred Wallace (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Rockcliffe Stud	Ed Walker	Kieran Shoemark	129
2	Big Cigar (Ire)	Havana Grey (GB)	M A Scaife	Richard & Peter Fahey	Oisin Orr	129
3	Clash Of Hearts (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Andy Finneran & Partners	Adrian Keatley	Mikey Sheehy	129
4	Confucius (Ire)	No Nay Never	Westerberg/Magnier/Tabor/Smith/Brant	Aidan O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	129
5	Fuel The Jet (Ire)	Space Blues (Ire)	O Humphrey	Tom Clover	Neil Callan	129
6	Gentle Hurricane (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Mrs A Althani	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	129
7	Haffner	Justify	Brant/Coolmore/Westerberg/B Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	129
8	Siouxperb (GB)	Sioux Nation	Valmont	Archie Watson	Hector Crouch	129
9	Stardom Glory (Ire)	Starspangledbanner (Aus)	Mrs Claire Donaldson	Hugo Palmer	James Doyle	129
10	Trean (Ire)	Bayside Boy (Ire)	Red Lily Racing Syndicate	Paddy Twomey	Billy Lee	129
11	Vega King (Ire)	Lucky Vega (Ire)	Allan Otley & Mrs Elaine Burke	Karl Burke	Clifford Lee	129

Breeders: 1-Rockcliffe Stud, 2-Powerstown Stud Ltd, 3-Tally-Ho Stud, 4-Stonethorn Stud Farms Ltd, 5-Brickfield Stud Ltd, 6-Mrs S M Rogers & Sir Thomas Pilkington, 7-D J Stables & Justify Syndicate, 8-S R Hope & S W Barrow, 9-Lynch Bages Ltd, 10-Ballylinch Stud, 11-Michael O'Mahony.

Aidan O'Brien has three editions already in the books and holds a firm grip on this year's renewal with G2 Vintage runner-up and TDN Rising Star **Haffner** accompanied on the journey across the Irish Sea by fellow Rising Star and G3 Anglesey and G2 Railway third **Confucius** in this "Breeders' Cup Challenge Series: Win and You're In" heat. Ireland is also represented by wide-margin Galway maiden winner **Trean**, while the home defence includes Listed Pat Eddery victor **Alfred Wallace**, Newbury novice scorer **Fuel The Jet**, from the in-form Tom Clover stable, and the once-raced Salisbury maiden winner **Gentle Hurricane**. [Sean Cronin].

Wednesday, La Teste - Bassin Arcachon, France, post time: 17:45

PRIX OCCITANIE-Listed, €50,300, 3yo, f, 9 1/2fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	1	Ekileel (GB)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Graffard	Lecoeuvre	126
2	6	Palm Springs (Fr)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Baratti	Demuro	126
3	3	City Queen (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	C Appleby	Pouchin	126
4	8	Exceed The Stars (Fr)	Zelzal (Fr)	E Monfort	Madamet	126
5	2	Life Study (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Devin	Provost	126
6	5	Sangomar (Fr)	Victor Ludorum (GB)	Chappet	Mendizabal	126
7	7	Lethal Beauty (Fr)	Acclamation (GB)	C & Y Lerner	Thomas	126
8	4	Sheeran (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Ferland	Guyon	126
9	9	La Llosa (Fr)	First Eleven (GB)	Arizkorreta Elosegui	Janacek	126

Juddmonte's once-raced **Life Study**, a daughter of the dual Group/Grade 3-placed Pocket Square, went through an array of gears off a slow pace when annexing a Dieppe newcomers' test by a facile five lengths in June and could be anything at this point. Her chief threat is Victorious Forever's dual Group 3-placed **Lethal Beauty**, who had **Ekileel** in arrears when third in Chantilly's G3 Prix Chloe one month ago, while Godolphin's **City Queen** is the only other entry to have achieved black type and returns off a third in last month's Listed Prix Madame Jean Couturie. [Sean Cronin].

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Thursday, York, post time: 15:35
THE LEGENDS GLOBAL YORKSHIRE OAKS-G1, £600,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 11f 188yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Kalpna (GB)	Study of Man (Ire)	Juddmonte	Andrew Balding	Colin Keane	135
2	Minnie Hauk (Ire)	Frankel (GB)	Mr D. Smith, Mrs J. Magnier, Mr M. Tabor	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	135
3	Tattycoram (GB)	Camelot (GB)	Chasemore Farm	Ralph Beckett	Edward Greatrex	135
4	Earth Shot (Ire)	Time Test (GB)	Wathnan Racing	William Haggas	James Doyle	126
5	Inis Mor (Fr)	Galiway (GB)	Quantum Leap Racing XI	David Menuisier	Oisin Murphy	126
6	Johanna Walsh (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Wells Watson	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	126
7	Legacy Link (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Juddmonte	John & Thady Gosden	William Buick	126
8	Sparan Nua (Ire)	Dawn Approach (Ire)	Newtown Anner Stud Farm	J. S. Bolger	Rossa Ryan	126
9	Sugar Island (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Westerberg/Mrs J Magnier/M Tabor/D Smith	Aidan O'Brien	Ronan Whelan	126

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 2-B. V. Sangster, 3-Chasemore Farm, 4-Hascombe & Valiant Stud Ltd, 5-2 0 Al Shaqab Racing, 6-Sunderland Holding Inc., 7-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 8-J. S. Bolger, 9-Westerberg.

Provided she likes York as much as she does Ascot, **Kalpna** should be able to add this to her resume having moved up to a new level last time in the King George. So consistent in 2025, **Minnie Hauk** has been drastically in-and-out this term without any obvious reason and has something to prove as she bids to win back-to-back renewals while **Johanna Walsh** has a lot on her plate for one so inexperienced even allowing for her impressive Irish Oaks victory. **Tattycoram** put Tiffany in her place in the Lancashire Oaks last time and is a filly progressing fast, so it is not out of the question that she could run a big race here. [Tom Frary].

Thursday, York, post time: 13:50
THE SKY BET LOWTHER STAKES-G2, £250,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Alta Regina (Ire)	Sioux Nation	Wathnan Racing	Hamad Al Jehani	Callum Rodriguez	128
2	Angels Passing (Ire)	No Nay Never	Brook T Smith Investments, Llc	Kevin Ryan	Kevin Stott	128
3	Big Negotiator (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Bond Thoroughbred Limited	P. Twomey	W. J. Lee	128
4	Bint Archange (Ire)	Ubetabelieveit (Ire)	Mr Jaber Abdullah	Richard Hughes	Ryan Moore	128
5	Crownbreaker (Ire)	Minzaal (Ire)	Amo Racing Limited	Kevin Philippart de Foy	David Egan	128
6	Crystal Queen (Ire)	Cotal Glory (GB)	Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum	Richard & Peter Fahey	Connor Beasley	128
7	Desert Sands (Ire)	Gleneagles (Ire)	Mr Sultan Ali	Ismail Mohammed & Jose Santos	Silvestre De Sousa	128
8	In The Black (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Bond Thoroughbred Limited	Geoff Oldroyd	P. J. McDonald	128
9	Jolivette (GB)	Wootton Bassett (GB)	Juddmonte	Andrew Balding	William Buick	128
10	Libertango (Ire)	No Nay Never	Mr V. I. Araci	George Boughey	Billy Loughnane	128
11	Livenka (GB)	Bated Breath (GB)	Juddmonte	G. M. Lyons	Colin Keane	128
12	Love A Giggle (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Mr C. Waters	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	128
13	Miss Kodi (Ire)	Kodi Bear (Ire)	Miss Alison Jones & Partner	Clive Cox	Rossa Ryan	128
14	Moonrise (Ire)	Churchill (Ire)	Mr Ahmad Alkhalafi	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	128
15	Ruby Moon (Ire)	No Nay Never	Mrs Richard Henry	Richard & Peter Fahey	Oisin Orr	128
16	Sexy Chick (GB)	Havana Grey (GB)	Phil Cunningham	Richard Spencer	George Wood	128
17	Shimmering Sun (Ire)	Havana Grey (GB)	Mr Shapoor Mistry	Harry Eustace	Tom Marquand	128
18	Star Of State (Ire)	State Of Rest (Ire)	Mr Jaber Abdullah	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	128
19	Wild Blossom (Ire)	Mehmas (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	K. R. Burke	James Doyle	128

Breeders: 1-Guidenstown Dairy Farm Ltd, 2-RJB Bloodstock Ltd, 3-Lady Bamford, 4-Kildaragh Stud, 5-Redpender Stud Ltd, 6-Ballyhampshire Stud Ltd, 7-Aughamore Stud, 8-Whitsbury Manor Stud, 9-Juddmonte Farms (East) Ltd, 10-Lynch Bages & Camas Park Stud, 11-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 12-Peter & Hugh McCutcheon, 13-Corduff B/stock & Yellowbird Syn., 14-Mr A. A. Alkhalafi, 15-Premier Bloodstock, 16-Biddestone Stud Ltd, 17-C. Marnane, 18-Mountarmstrong Stud, 19-Tally-Ho Stud.

The formbook says **Libertango**, who was impressive at Royal Ascot and may have found Newmarket's July Festival coming too soon. TDN Rising Star **Star Of State** will be popular given the manner of her maiden win at Leopardstown last month representing this trainer-jockey combination and it could be that she has improved dramatically since her debut defeat by **Livenka** at Fairyhouse but that Juddmonte homebred impressed in the Ballyhane Stakes and her professionalism will carry her far. Up in trip after winning Goodwood's Alice Keppel, **Wild Blossom** has stamina to prove. [Tom Frary].

Thursday, York, post time: 16:10

THE BRITISH EBF & SIR HENRY CECIL GALTRES STAKES-Listed, £100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 11f 188yT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ashariba (Fr)	Ribchester (Ire)	Nicole Hutchings & G Augustin-Normand	David Menuisier	Sean Levey	135
2	Club Class (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Helena Springfield Ltd	James Fanshawe	Marco Ghiani	135
3	Merveilleux Lapin (Ire)	Mohaather (GB)	Mr Patryk Gorczyca	Owen Burrows	Callum Rodriguez	135
4	Morrophore (Fr)	Kingman (GB)	Mr George Strawbridge	John & Thady Gosden	Ryan Moore	135
5	Perfect Your Craft (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Cheeky Pups Syndicate	P. Twomey	W. J. Lee	135
6	Rhapsody (Ire)	Ghaiyyath (Ire)	Highclere Thoroughbred Racing - Skylark	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	135
7	Ryka (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Akela Thoroughbreds Limited	David O'Meara	Daniel Tudhope	135
8	A La Prochaine (Fr)	Lope De Vega (Ire)	Wathnan Racing	Ralph Beckett	James Doyle	126
9	Capichera (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Mrs A. G. Kavanagh	Ed Walker	Kieran Shoemark	126
10	K Sarra (GB)	New Bay (GB)	Mrs David Aykroyd	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	126
11	Prizeland (GB)	Territories (Ire)	Mrs M. E. Wates	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	126
12	Summerson (GB)	Kingman (GB)	Chasemore Farm	Roger Varian	Ray Dawson	126
13	Sunshine Star (GB)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Lady Bamford	John & Thady Gosden	Billy Loughnane	126
14	Vauntingly (Ire)	Night Of Thunder (Ire)	Stonestreet Stables LLC	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Dylan Browne McMonagle	126
15	Without Prejudice (Ire)	Starman (GB)	Lord Lloyd Webber	John & Thady Gosden	William Buick	126

Breeders: 1-S.C.E.A. J. L. C. & S.C.E.A. De L' Aubay & S.A.R.L. Ecurie Brillantissim, 2-Meon Valley Stud, 3-Treadstone Bloodstock & Tally Ho Stud, 4-George Strawbridge, 5-Newstead Breeding, 6-Lynn Lodge Stud, 7-Lynchbages, Camaspark Stud & Summerhill B/S, 8-S.C.P. Ecurie Du Sud & S.A.S. Ecurie Gribomont, 9-Kildaragh Stud, 10-Mr & Mrs David Aykroyd, 11-Meon Valley Stud, 12-Chasemore Farm, 13-Lady Bamford, 14-Gigginstown House Stud, 15-Piercetown Stud.

Morrophore appeals as a steadily-improving George Strawbridge homebred from Clarehaven and commands respect despite her long absence since beating all-weather specialist Sky Safari in Lingfield's Winter Oaks in January. Surprisingly, the Gosdens also run Emily Upjohn's deeply promising half-sister **Without Prejudice**, who although having been impressive on her belated debut at Newmarket last month lacks the kind of seasoning usually required for a race as competitive as this. **A La Prochaine** may not have appreciated the ground when a distant fourth in the Oaks, while the Meadow Court Stakes runner-up **Rhapsody** is up in trip again with potential to improve for it. [Tom Frary].

Thursday, Leopardstown, post time: 18:30

BET WITH TOTE ON RACING & SPORTS IRISH EBF VINNIE ROE STAKES-Listed, €30,000, 3yo, 14fT

SC	HORSE	SIRE	OWNER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	Abbotsford (GB)	Frankel (GB)	Juddmonte	D K Weld	Chris Hayes	133
2	Cannes (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Al Shaqab Racing & Stall Perlen AB	Joseph O'Brien	Declan McDonogh	133
3	Highwayman (Fr)	Persian King (Ire)	John Neocleous	Joseph O'Brien	Scott McCullagh	133
4	Madbadanddangerous (Ire)	Coulsty (Ire)	J Hunt	Noel Meade	Gary Carroll	133
5	Piazza San Marco	St Mark's Basilica (Fr)	Derrick Smith, Mrs John Magnier & Michael Tabor	A P O'Brien	Wayne Lordan	133
6	Trojan Fighter (GB)	Ulysses (Ire)	Robert J W Moran	P Twomey	Donagh O'Connor	133
7	Wyman (Ire)	Australia (GB)	Hampstead Holdings LLC	Mrs J Harrington	Shane Foley	133
8	Keepsgettingbetter (Ire)	Sottsass (Fr)	Mrs Richard Henry & Mrs John Magnier	Donnacha O'Brien	Gavin Ryan	128
9	Teologia (Fr)	Teofilo (Ire)	San Paolo Agri-Stud S r l	Joseph O'Brien	Ben Coen	128

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Ltd, 2-Langan, Hickey & Sunderland Holding Inc, 3-1m. 1thierry De La Heronniere, 4-Suroben Ltd & Summerhill B'Stock, 5-Orpendale/Chelston/Wynatt, 6-Cheveley Park Stud Limited, 7-Grange Stud, 8-Premier Bloodstock, 9-Autre San Paolo Agri Stud Srl.

Juddmonte's wide-margin Galway winner **Abbotsford** hails from the family of the St Leger hero Brian Boru and is open to progress, while Ballydoyle's TDN Rising Star **Piazza San Marco** debuts for the season having contested some smart races at two. **Wyman** beat Keepsgettingbetter here last time and along with **Teologia** and **Madbadanddangerous** is on a roll in this intriguing contest. [Tom Frary].

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