



## KEENELAND PRESIDENT NICHOLSON TO RETIRE

Nick Nicholson, Keeneland president and CEO of 13 years, announced that he will retire from his post, effective Sept. 1, 2012. Bill Thomason, currently vice president and CFO, has been selected by the Keeneland Trustees to be his successor.



**Nick Nicholson**  
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Nicholson will remain in an advisory role with Keeneland and continue to work with the racing and sales company on domestic and international relationships.

"It has been an honor to serve the community and the industry as President of Keeneland," Nicholson commented. "I have enjoyed every single day of it and have just as much passion for the future of our sport as I did on my first day at Keeneland."

Nicholson continued, "While I will miss the daily interaction with the fans and the Keeneland family, I am thrilled with the selection of Bill Thomason. Bill has incomparable experience in both the financial and equine sectors. He is knowledgeable in both the racing and sales aspects of our business, and knows all that is involved in bringing a consignment to the Keeneland sales. In my opinion, he is uniquely poised to lead Keeneland during this vitally important time for Thoroughbred racing."

Thomason, who will officially take up his new position Sept. 1, will become Keeneland's seventh president. Thomason has been a part of the Keeneland leadership team since June 2010. He previously served as financial and administrative manager at Mill Ridge Farm for 28 years.

"I am truly humbled by this and appreciate the Trustees' confidence in the direction that Keeneland Association is heading," Thomason said. "Under Nick's guidance Keeneland has maintained the finest traditions of Thoroughbred racing, as its mission demands, while leading the way in finding solutions to complex industry problems. It is an honor to be part of this special place that represents what is best about Thoroughbred racing."



**Bill Thomason**  
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## FRANKEL BACK ON TRACK AFTER SCAN

Khalid Abdullah's **Frankel (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}) has been given the green light to resume training after positive scan results to his injured off-fore. The unbeaten 4-year-old gave connections a major scare when striking into himself on the Newmarket gallops last Wednesday, but his speedy recovery brought forward the investigation that was originally scheduled for later this week. Issuing a statement yesterday, the owner/breeder's Racing Manager Teddy Grimthorpe explained, "Frankel has been given the all clear, following his scan this afternoon. There was no evidence of any damage to his tendon, and he will now resume a normal training regime. There is no set agenda for his future racing program, which will be determined by the progress he makes. At this stage, the G1 Lockinge S. [at Newbury May 19] has not yet been ruled out." Sir Henry Cecil appeared keen to keep to the original schedule and target the Newbury comeback when speaking later in the afternoon. "We will feel our way, but I'd like to make Newbury, if possible, as it's a long time until Royal Ascot for a horse like that to hang around. I'm hopeful and if I have to take him somewhere beforehand I will, but he'll probably resume cantering this weekend. Prince Khalid said not to worry, but I was worried as I think he could be a better horse this year and we need him."



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**DANEHILL DANCER COLT TOP TATTS OPENER**

Tattersalls' Craven Breeze-Up Sale began on an unspectacular note last night when no lots hit the 200,000gns-mark, although seven made six-figures, compared to a dozen 12 months earlier. The 3,430,000gns turnover and 63,519gns average were the lowest for the sale's opening night since 2005 and the 54,500gns median was at its smallest level since 2007. The clearance rate (with Tattersalls including private sales for the first time this year) was 71%.



Lot 57  
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Eddie O'Leary's County Westmeath-based Lynn Lodge Stud supplied the 170,000gns sale-topper, a Danehill Dancer (Ire) half-brother to G2

Superlative S. winner Hatta Fort (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), who had been bought for 52,000gns as a yearling by Mags O'Toole. Agent Ross Doyle saw off Stephen Hillen, accompanied by trainer Kevin Ryan, for the colt, who is out of Oshiponga (GB) (Barathea {Ire}). The juvenile will join trainer Richard Hannon.

"We thought he was the nicest horse in the sale and has been bought for some existing owners to go to Richard," said Doyle. "The sire needs little introduction and he was a physically very nice horse who didn't look like he should take too long."

Curlin's part-owner George Bolton, who jointly bought last week's Keeneland April topper, purchased his first horse in Britain last night, a 130,000gns High Chaparral (Ire) colt out of group winner Serisia (Fr) (Exit to Nowhere) purchased through agent Angie Loder to join Newmarket trainer Ed Dunlop.

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**TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE  
WEDNESDAY, APR. 18, 2012**

<b>SESSION TOTALS</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
Catalogued	92	98
No. Offered	76	82
No. Sold	54	59
RNAs	22	23
% RNA	28.9%	28%
Gross	3,430,000gns	4,394,000gns
Average (% change)	63,519gns (-14.7%)	74,475gns
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Bolton, who bid by telephone through Loder, worked for a time for Dunlop's trainer father John and had been to Tattersalls last fall for the October Yearling Sale, where he unsuccessfully bid on a handful of youngsters.

"He's the first horse George has had over here," said Loder. "He did an exceptional breeze for a horse that is bred to stay a mile and a half and to me he was the nicest horse in the sale."

Mags O'Toole had also bought this colt as a yearling, for €60,000 at Arqana in October, and he was resold from former jump jockey Norman Williamson's Oak Tree Farm in County Meath.

Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifa Al Nahyan, a member of Abu Dhabi's ruling family, has increased his number of horses in training in the past couple of years and is set to have around 20 juveniles in Britain in 2012, spread between trainers Marco Botti, Henry Cecil, Clive Cox and David Simcock. Blandford Bloodstock's Richard Brown, who does much of Sheikh Sultan's purchasing, paid 160,000gns for a U.S.-bred son of Oasis Dream (GB) out of Matroshka (Ire) (Red Ransom) for the owner to go into training with Simcock. The juvenile, offered from Charlie Vigors' Hillwood Stud, cost \$140,000 at Keeneland in September.

"I'd seen him breeze at Charlie's before the sale and he worked straight as a die on Tuesday and clocked an impressive time," said Brown.

"He was a gorgeous-looking horse and, if he warrants it, he as a stallion's pedigree. He's going to David Simcock and I'd imagine he'll give the horse an easy month and then bring him back and see where he's at."

Hong Kong handler Sean Woods, who formerly trained in Newmarket, was at the sale and will eventually take charge of a 150,000gns son of freshman sire Sakhee's Secret (GB) (Sakhee), who was another originally bought as a yearling by O'Toole--in his case for 50,000gns at Tattersalls last October.

Woods' agent brother Dwayne fought off a representative of Japan's Big Red Farm for this offering from Oak Tree Farm, who is out of Queensgate (GB) (Compton Place {GB}).

"He is going to join my brother Sean in Hong Kong, eventually, but will go into training here first," said Woods. "It was a lot for a Sakhee's Secret, but he was just a lovely horse."

Willie Browne's County Tipperary-based Mocklershill operation topped the vendors' list, selling nine lots for 641,000gns, and the biggest contributor to that total was a 140,000gns full-sister to Gill My Charmer H. winner Oregon Lady (Ire) (Shamardal), who cost just €40,000 at Goffs as a yearling. Agent Jamie McCalmont outbid Hillen and Ryan for the filly.

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# RED GIANT

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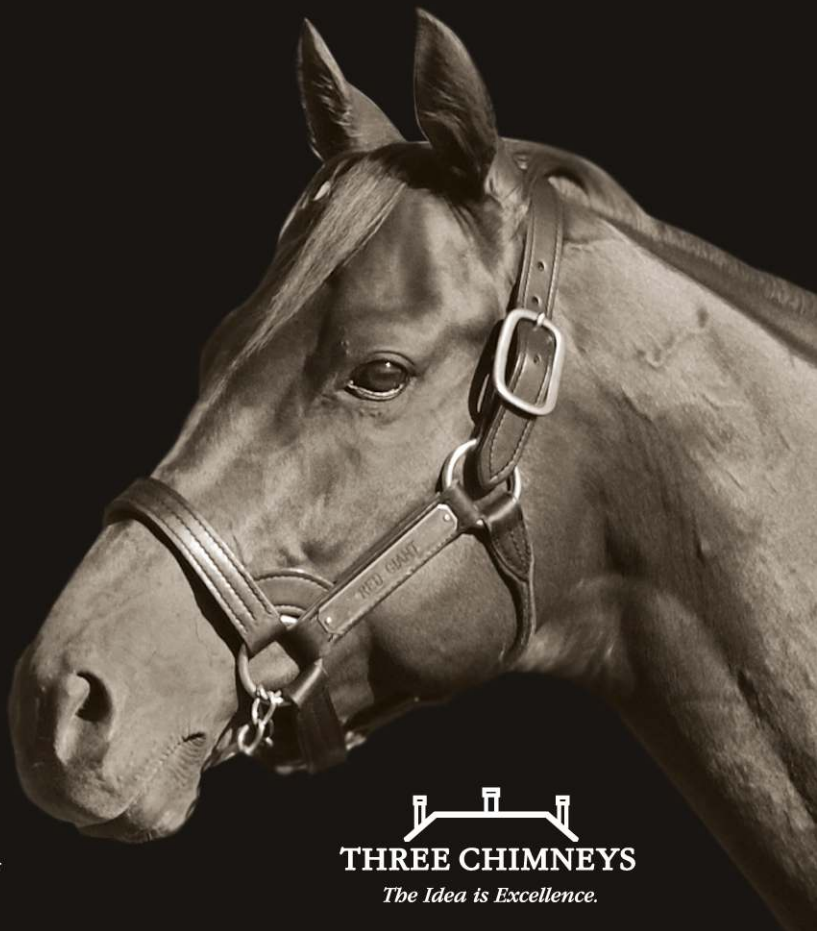
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**Tattersalls cont.**

“She had a great pedigree, did a good breeze and was a very nice filly. I am not sure where she will be trained,” said McCalmont.

The sale concludes tonight with a session starting at 6 p.m.

**TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP SALE  
WEDNESDAY'S TOP SEVEN LOTS**

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (Gns)
<u>57</u>	colt	<u>Danehill Dancer (Ire)</u>	<u>Oshiponga (GB)</u>	170,000
(58,000gns wnlg '10 TATDEC; 52,000gns yrl '11 TATDEC)				
Consigned by Lynn Lodge Stud				
Purchased by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock				
<u>36</u>	colt	<u>Oasis Dream (GB)</u>	<u>Matroshka (Ire)</u>	160,000
(\$140,000 yrl '11 KEESEP)				
Consigned by Hillwood Stud				
Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock				
<u>72</u>	colt	<u>Sakhee's Secret (GB)</u>	<u>Queensgate (GB)</u>	150,000
(32,000gns wnlg '10 TATDEC; 50,000gns yrl '11 TATOCT)				
Consigned by Oak Tree Farm				
Purchased by Dwayne Woods				
<u>56</u>	filly	<u>Shamardal</u>	<u>Oregon Trail</u>	140,000
(€40,000 yrl '11 GOFSP)				
Consigned by Mocklershill				
Purchased by Jamie McCalmont				
<u>87</u>	colt	<u>High Chaparral (Ire)</u>	<u>Serisia (Fr)</u>	130,000
(€60,000 yrl '11 ARQOCT)				
Consigned by Oak Tree Farm				
Purchased by Angie Loder Bloodstock				
<u>78</u>	colt	<u>Henrythenavigator</u>	<u>Remote</u>	130,000
(\$75,000 yrl '11 KEESEP)				
Consigned by Lynn Lodge Stud				
Purchased by SackvilleDonald				
<u>70</u>	colt	<u>Montjeu (Ire)</u>	<u>Puce (GB)</u>	100,000
(65,000gns yrl '11 TATDEC)				
Consigned by Mocklershill				
Purchased by Panorama Bloodstock Services				



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# The Best Sires...

## 2012 Leading Sires

#	Stallion	SWs	SWns	GSWrs	Earnings
1	<u>SCAT DADDY</u>	3	5	3	\$2,534,359
2	<u>GIANT'S CAUSEWAY</u>	8	8	6	\$2,460,892

Bloodhorse.com, 4/17/12

Current or former Ashford stallions **TALE OF THE CAT**, **LION HEART** and **GRAND SLAM** are also ranked in the Top 20.

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<u>Hip</u> <u>7</u>	<u>Sex</u> c	<u>Sire</u> Haatef	<u>Dam</u> Ikan (Ire)	<u>Price (gns)</u> 72,000
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B-Martin Francis Ltd (Ire)  
Consigned by Bansha House Stables, Ireland  
Purchase by R O'Gorman Bloodstock

A €36,000 Goffs Orby yearling purchase, the Irish-bred was wheeled back with a nice profit here.

<u>Hip</u> <u>10</u>	<u>Sex</u> f	<u>Sire</u> Hard Spun	<u>Dam</u> Jena Jena	<u>Price (gns)</u> 50,000
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B-Bigheart Thoroughbreds (Ire)  
Consigned by Malcolm Bastard  
Purchase by William Haggas

Snapped up for \$20,000 as a weanling at the Keeneland November sale, the daughter of listed winner and Grade III placed Jena Jena (Dixieland Band) earned that back and then some yesterday.

<u>Hip</u> <u>34</u>	<u>Sex</u> c	<u>Sire</u> Giant's Causeway	<u>Dam</u> Marital Spook	<u>Price (gns)</u> 85,000
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B-Edward Evans  
Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud, Ireland  
Purchase by John Warren Bloodstock

Last September at Keeneland, Blandford Bloodstock went to \$42,000 to secure this half-brother to GI Hopeful S. winner Yonaguska (Cherokee Run). Also a half to GSW Halo Homewrecker (Southern Halo), the Feb. 13 foal realized a nice score for connections when returned to the ring across the pond.

<u>Hip</u> <u>48</u>	<u>Sex</u> c	<u>Sire</u> Tamayuz (GB)	<u>Dam</u> Naazeq (GB)	<u>Price (gns)</u> 62,000
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B-T. J. Pabst and Newtown Stud (Ire)  
Consigned by Kockanglass, Ireland  
Purchase by C Gordon-Watson Bloodstock

Out of a full-sister to GSP Shaya (GB), the chestnut colt is a half-brother to Tamweel (Gulch), who was runner-up in the GI Overbrook Spinster S. Purchased for €17,500 at Goffs Orby by T O'Mara, the colt proved a bargain when earning over three times that Wednesday.

<u>Hip</u> <u>54</u>	<u>Sex</u> c	<u>Sire</u> Lemon Drop Kid	<u>Dam</u> Nyarhini (GB)	<u>Price (gns)</u> 64,000
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B-Hascombe and Valiant Studs (Ire)  
Consigned by Mocklershill, Ireland  
Purchase by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock

<u>Hip</u> <u>55</u>	<u>Sex</u> c	<u>Sire</u> Marju (Ire)	<u>Dam</u> Opera Comica (GB)	<u>Price (gns)</u> 80,000
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B-Paulyn Limited (GB)  
Consigned by Mocklershill, Ireland  
Purchase by C Gordon-Watson Bloodstock

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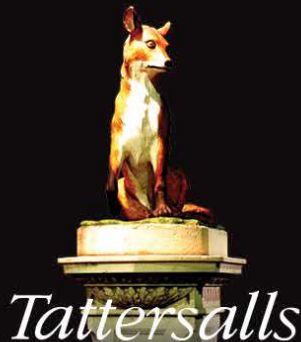
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**56** f **Shamardal** **Oregon Trail** **140,000**

*B-Miss Joan Murphey (Ire)  
Consigned by Mocklershill, Ireland  
Purchase by C Gordon-Watson Bloodstock*

It was a profitable half hour for Mocklershill with three consecutive lots selling for 64,000gns, 80,000gns and 140,00gns. In 2011, Mocklershill secured Lot 54 for 40,000gns at TATOCT; Lot 55 for 47,000gns at the same venue and Lot 56 for €40,000 at Goffs Orby. The Apr. 20 foal, who is a full-sister to Grade III winner Oregon Lady (Ire), is from the extended family of Grade I winner Dance Number (Northern Dancer), the dam of GI Travers S. hero Rhythm (Mr. Prospector).

**69** f **Speightstown** **Provincial** **75,000**

*B-Phipps Stable & William Acquavella  
Consigned by Brown Island Stables, Ireland  
Purchase by Anthony Stroud Bloodstock*

This May 11 foal is out of the listed placed mare Provincial, already responsible for a pair of winners. Offered at last fall's Keeneland September sale, the bay was secured for \$32,000 by Brown Island Stables before reselling for a significant profit here. This is the extended family of Dance Review (Northern Dancer), dam of Grade I winner Another Review and graded stakes winner Dance Colony (Pleasant Colony).



**OBS APRIL 2-YEAR-OLDS in TRAINING SALE**

Under-tack show - April 18

**Fastest 1/8-mile works**

Time	Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam
:10	<a href="#">469</a>	filly	<a href="#">Tiznow</a>	Gdanska
			<i>Consigned by Ricky Leppala, agent III</i>	
	<a href="#">518</a>	filly	<a href="#">Candy Ride (Arg)</a>	Harlow Gold
			<i>Consigned by Old South Farm, agent II</i>	
	<a href="#">529</a>	colt	Cowtown Cat	Her She Shawklit
			<i>Consigned by Costanzo Sales</i>	
	<a href="#">566</a>	colt	<a href="#">Sky Mesa</a>	Ing Ing (Fr)
			<i>Consigned by Wavertree Stables Inc (Ciaran Dunne), agent III</i>	
	<a href="#">567</a>	filly	<a href="#">Candy Ride (Arg)</a>	Into Reality
			<i>Consigned by McKathan Bros., agent III</i>	
	<a href="#">584</a>	filly	Indian Ocean	Jeet
			<i>Consigned by Ravensway (Rick &amp; Christine Lopez), agent</i>	

**Fastest 1/4-mile works**

:20 4/5	<a href="#">363</a>	filly	Keyed Entry	Dixie Image
			<i>Consigned by H J Parra Racing Stables</i>	
	<a href="#">488</a>	colt	<a href="#">Wildcat Heir</a>	Golden Horseshoe
			<i>Consigned by Journeyman Bloodstock (B &amp; C Fernung), agent</i>	

**Fastest 3/8-mile works**

:33 3/5	<a href="#">489</a>	colt	Wild Desert	Golden Park
			<i>Consigned by Blue River Bloodstock, Agent I</i>	
	<a href="#">502</a>	filly	<a href="#">Ecclesiastic</a>	Gratorious
			<i>Consigned by Tres Potrillos</i>	

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**TATTERSALLS CRAVEN SALE -- DAY 2**

**100, c, Hard Spun--Stormy Blessing, by Storm Cat**  
*Consigned by Hawthorn Villa Stud*

Hard Spun's first crop did not let him down and this is a colt from an excellent family who knew his job, if Tuesday's breeze ([video](#)) is anything to go by. His dam is a sister to the 2009 GIII Cliff Hanger S. winner Brave Tin Soldier and descends from the Rowdy Angel dynasty of Fusaichi Pegasus and Pine Bluff.

**103, f, High Chaparral (Ire)--Sundown (GB),  
 by Polish Precedent**  
*Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud*

By the end of racing at the local track, this offering from the O'Callaghan family could look a smart purchase as her full-brother Forgotten Hero (Ire) takes part in the G3 Craven S. Like that Charlie Hills trainee, she looks to possess more than a share of speed and has residual value as a descendant of the world-renowned matriarch Sun Princess (GB). ([video](#))

**115, c, Midnight Lute--Top Time, by Marquetry**  
*Consigned by Rangefield Bloodstock*

From the first crop of the dual GI Breeders' Cup Sprint hero, this February-foaled bay is out of a half to the talented pair Changeisgonnacomme (Cherokee Run) and Little Miss Pamela (El Prado {Ire}). His page has been updated by the GII Commonwealth S. success of Lonesome Street (Broken Vow) last Saturday. ([video](#))

**151, c, Galileo (Ire)--Bywayofthestars (GB), by Danehill**  
*Consigned by The Old Mew Stables Ltd*

The only colt available by Coolmore's mighty resident represents one of the most sought-after crosses in racing. His full-brother Mannheim (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) is currently at Ballydoyle, where the talent of some of this family's best performers Honolulu (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), L'Ancrese (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}) and Moonstone (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}) was nurtured. ([video](#))

**178, f, Mr. Greeley--Gentle On My Mind (Ire),  
 by Sadler's Wells**  
*Consigned by Malcolm Bastard*

Mr. Greeley's sole offering this week, this filly is out of a sister to the triple listed winner and 2008 G2 Lancashire Oaks runner-up Ezima (Ire) from the family of the top-level scorers Enzeli (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}), Ebadiyla (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Edabiya (Ire) (Rainbow Quest). ([video](#)).

TATTERSALLS CRAVEN BREEZE-UP  
 THURSDAY'S OUTS  
 97, 108, 112, 120, 127, 146, 155, 157, 174, 177,  
 181, 182

**RACETRACK ROUND-UP**

**St. John's River Nearing Return...**

Dede McGehee's **St. John's River** (Include), a strong second in last term's GI Kentucky Oaks, is set to make her 4-year-old bow in Churchill's GII La Troienne on the Oaks undercard May 4. The 2011 GII Delaware Oaks heroine has been out of action since finishing a distant fifth in the GI Alabama S. at Saratoga Aug. 20. She was originally targetting the Tiffany Lass S. at Fair Grounds in February. "It was just minor [throat] surgery and everything went well," trainer Andrew Leggio Jr. explained of the extended layoff. St. John's River worked six furlongs in 1:13.40 beneath the Twin Spires Tuesday. "I think she looked awfully good and our goal is to have her ready for the La Troienne," Leggio added. "She's training really well and, hopefully, she's going to be as good as she was last year."



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# Triple Threats

## In Lingerie Heading to Kentucky Oaks...

Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Gary Barber's In Lingerie (Empire Maker) will make her next start in the GI Kentucky Oaks at Churchill Downs May 4. The 3-year-old is coming off a six-length victory in the GIII Bourbonette S. on Turfway's Polytrack Mar. 24. "After huddling up with [trainer] Todd [Pletcher] and our partner, Gary, we decided unanimously that running In Lingerie in the Oaks was a calculated risk worth taking," said Aron Wellman, president of Eclipse. "In Lingerie is an extremely talented, yet relatively unseasoned filly. She's training exceptionally well, her numbers are progressive and well within striking distance of the top fillies pointed for the race, she will appreciate the distance, and she seems to really be coming into her own at the moment. Add the fact that we've got John [Velazquez] on board, and we believe we'd be headed to Louisville with a legitimate contender. We're extremely pleased to be able to provide our partners with the opportunity to compete in such a prestigious race with an exciting filly like In Lingerie."

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Morgan's Guerrilla (K)	Ghostzapper	Leparoux	Maker	118
2	Summer Front (K)	War Front	Dominguez	Clement	120
3	Johannesbourbon	Johannesburg	Gomez	Gorder	118
4	Skyring	English Channel	Court	Lukas	118
5	Golden Ticket (K)	Speightstown	Cruz	McPeck	118
6	Holiday Promise (K)	Harlan's Holiday	Alvarado	Pletcher	118
7	Castaway (K)	Street Sense	Bridgmohan	Baffert	120
8	Hammers Terror (K)	Artie Schiller	Albarado	Stidham	118
9	All Squared Away (K)	Bellamy Road	Garcia	Ward	118
10	News Pending (K)	Harlan's Holiday	Desormeaux	Romans	118
11	Gold Megillah (K)	Purim	Velazquez	Motion	118

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## GRADED/GROUP RESULTS

### ES EXPRESS

Still a maiden until her eighth try at Leicester in September, Middleham Park Racing Syndicate's **Esentepe (Ire)** (Oratorio {Ire}) took a leap forward yesterday to spring a 28-1 upset in Newmarket's G3 Lanwades Stud Nell Gwyn S. Last seen finishing third in a mile conditions event on Kempton's Polytrack Apr. 7, the bay raced up with the pace and, after taking over approaching the quarter pole, held on to beat **Nayarra (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) by a neck. "I could not be more delighted for the Middleham Park Racing team, though I must confess that I did not expect to be standing in the number one spot," commented Richard Hannon Jr., summing up the general feeling about the upset.

### Wednesday, Newmarket, Britain

**LANWADES STUD NELL GWYN S.-G3**, £55,000, Newmarket, 4-18, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:27.60, gd.

1--#**@ESENTEPE (IRE)**, 124, f, 3, by **Oratorio (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Mythie (Fr)**, by **Octagonal (NZ)**

2nd Dam: **Mythologie (Fr)**, by **Bering (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Mondovision (Fr)**, by **Luthier (Fr)**

(22,000gns yrl '10 TATOCT). O-Middleham Park Racing XXXVIII; B-Peter Kelly & Wendy Daly; T-Richard Hannon; J-Pat Dobbs; £31,191. Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-5, £47,428. **Werk Nick Rating: D+.**

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2--**Nayarra (Ire)**, 127, f, 3, Cape Cross (Ire)--Massarra (GB), by Danehill. O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Co Ltd; T-Mick Channon; £11,825.

3--**Lily's Angel (Ire)**, 124, f, 3, Dark Angel (Ire)--Noyelles (Ire), by Docksider. (£8,000 yrl '10 DONAUG).

O-Middleham Park Racing XLVIII; B-N & Mrs N Nugent; T-Richard Fahey; £5,918.

Margins: NK, HF, SHD. Odds: 28-1, 20-1, 9-1.

Also Ran: Starscope (GB), Lady Gorgeous (GB), Sunday Times (GB), What's Up (Ire), Minidress (GB), Russelliana (GB), Muaamara (GB), Pimpernel (Ire), Regal Realm (GB), Excelette (Ire). [Click for brisnet.com pps](#) or [Racing Post chart](#). [Video, courtesy Racing UK.](#)

Esentepe was campaigned initially over sprint trips before trying this distance when fourth behind Maybe (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in Royal Ascot's Listed Chesham S. It took her another four maiden starts to get off the mark, and when it came it was over a mile at Leicester, prior to a third in the Listed Montrose Fillies' S. here in October. Returning in what used to be the Masaka S. at Kempton 11 days ago, she ran with credit, but was swamped late by the Mick Channon trainee Laugh Out Loud (GB) (Clodovil {Ire}) on her third consecutive outing over a mile. It was another from that stable that she had to concern herself with here, after gaining the initiative before the quarter pole.

## NTRA REPORT FROM CAPITOL HILL



### H-2B PROGRAM RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE APRIL 23

Employers who use the H-2B visa temporary guest worker program will be required to follow new procedures starting on Monday, April 23, 2012. These changes are the result of a Department of Labor (DOL) final rule that was issued on February 21, 2012.

Owners and trainers in the Thoroughbred industry employ H-2B workers when they are unable to secure American workers to fill semi-skilled jobs at racetracks.

Among other changes under the new rule, H-2B employers must:

- Pay for most inbound and outbound travel for H-2B workers, including daily subsistence expenses.
- Extend H-2B program benefits to U.S. "corresponding workers" who work alongside H-2B workers and perform substantially the same work.
- Demonstrate and not merely attest that they have taken specific steps to recruit U.S. workers.
- Increase the amount of time spent recruiting U.S. workers.
- Define temporary need as 9 months (previously 10 months).
- Define full time employment as 35 hours per week (previously 30 hours).

To read more about the H-2B visa program rule changes, [click here](#).



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Nayarra, who was racing under a penalty for her G1 Gran Criterium success, tried hard to bridge the gap, but Esentepe was beyond recall both of her and the staying-on pair of Lily's Angel and Starscope (GB) (Selkirk). "She is a good, tough filly and I did enter her for the [May 16] G3 Musidora S. at York, so that could be a possibility," Hannon added.

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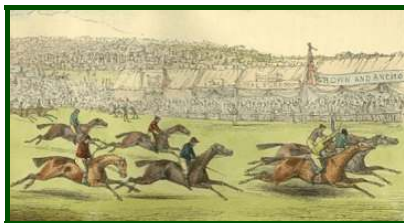
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# Classic Corner

## BALLYDOYLE WAIT ON GUINEAS PLANS

Aidan O'Brien is refusing to commit on the participation of the stable's star colt **Camelot (GB)** (Montjeu {Ire}) in the G1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas at Newmarket May 5. While issuing an upbeat bulletin on Derrick Smith's G1 Racing Post Trophy winner, the Ballydoyle conditioner revealed that he will hold out on a final decision until next week. "He's in good form and everything has gone well with him so far," O'Brien said. "We obviously have an eye on the Guineas with him and he's open to other things, so the next week to 10 days will tell us a lot more." O'Brien also added that Michael Tabor's ⚡ **"TDN Rising Star"** ⚡ **Maybe (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) remains on track to defend her perfect record in the fillies' Classic a day later. "We have an eye on the Guineas for Maybe, and everything has gone well so far," O'Brien continued. "She has been away a few times and has come forward each time, so we're looking at Newmarket for her and for [the G2 Rockfel S. winner] **Wading (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire})."

## 'DIS' ON COURSE

⚡ **"TDN Rising Star"** ⚡ **Discourse** (Street Cry {Ire}) was put through her paces in a racecourse gallop on Newmarket's Rowley Mile yesterday as she gears up for a return in the May 6 G1 1000 Guineas. Godolphin's unbeaten filly has not been since taking the G3 Sweet Solera S. on the July Course at the Suffolk venue in August, and worked with two lead horses over a mile under Antioco Murgia. Racing manager Simon Crisford commented, "Discourse was a bit rusty this morning, which is what we were expecting, and we hope that she comes on a lot for the piece of work. The 1000 Guineas is still the aim for her."

## CHESTER TEST FOR BONFIRE

Highclere Thoroughbred Racing's **Bonfire (GB)** (Manduro {Ger}) is being pointed at the G3 Dee S. at Chester after being forced to miss today's Tattersalls Millions 3-Y-O Trophy. The Andrew Balding trainee, who was third in the G1 Criterium International at Saint Cloud in October, will start back over the extended 10-furlong trip of the Derby trial staged at the May meeting May 11. "Bonfire has progressed well over the winter and was due to take part in the Tattersalls Millions 3-Y-O Trophy this week, but has been ruled out following a cloudy scope," a statement on [www.highclere.co.uk](http://www.highclere.co.uk) read yesterday. "Andrew Balding is confident that the horse will be spot on for the Derby Trial at Chester."

# BLACK-TYPE PREVIEWS

## WORTH THE SQUEEZE

Caroline Forgason's **Somali Lemonade** (Lemon Drop Kid), a visually impressive winner of her first two attempts last term--including the GIII JP Morgan Chase Jessamine S. at Keeneland Oct. 13--makes her sophomore debut in today's GIII Appalachian S. The bay was last seen finishing sixth, beaten four lengths in the GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf at Churchill Downs Nov. 4. "We had her and Union Rags (Dixie Union) turned out on the farm at the same time this winter in Florida," trainer Michael Matz told *Daily Racing Form*. "We brought him back earlier because we had a schedule to meet, whereas we didn't really have anything as pressing with her. She's trained right along and is doing just great. She's ready to run. Hopefully she'll fire like we know she can." Somali Lemonade fired a five-furlong bullet in :59 4/5 around the dogs over the Keeneland lawn Apr. 12. **Dayatthespa** (City Zip), ninth in Juvenile Fillies Turf, has been perfect in two attempts at Gulfstream since, annexing the Sweetest Chant S. Jan. 22 and the GIII Herecomesthebride S. Mar. 11.

Thursday, Keeneland, post time: 4:42 p.m. EDT

APPALACHIAN S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Dayatthespa	City Zip	Castellano	Brown	8-5
2	Little Sadie Ⓚ	Friends Lake	Bethancourt	Mills	30-1
3	Lemon Splendor Ⓚ	Lemon Drop Kid	Leparoux	Weaver	10-1
4	Somali Lemonade	Lemon Drop Kid	Solis	Matz	9-5
5	Biogio's Gift Ⓚ	Any Given Saturday	Martinez Jr.	Kahles	30-1
6	Firehouse Red Ⓚ	Arch	Albarado	Jones	12-1
7	Andrew's Girl	Lawyer Ron	Goncalves	Estevez	12-1
8	Regalo Mia	Sligo Bay (Ire)	Castanon	Nihei	5-1
9	Dream Pegasus Ⓚ	Fusaichi Pegasus	Cruz	McPeck	10-1

## THE HOST WITH THE MOST?

For weeks now, all the pre-Guineas talk has centered around Manton's **Most Improved (Ire)** (Lawman {Fr}), but it is time for action as he takes to the stage in the G3 Novae Bloodstock Insurance Craven S. at Newmarket. So impressive when breaking his maiden on the July Course here in August, Iraj Parvizi's colt was beaten just a half-length on his only other start when third behind Parish Hall (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) and Power (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) in the seven-furlong G1 Dewhurst S. on this terrain in October. That form would be enough to put him in pole position here, but the tangible vibes emanating from Wiltshire have added another dimension to his presence on the Rowley Mile.

"Our 2000 Guineas hope has had everything go right in his preparation for the Craven S. and will carry maximum stable confidence, also gaining jockey Kieren Fallon's vote after some exciting work back at Manton over the past two weeks," trainer Brian Meehan said. "He is strongly fancied to state his Classic case."

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Godolphin's presence at this meeting has been light in recent years, but the boys in blue are out in force this time. Mahmood Al Zarooni saddles an intriguing contender in **Mighty Ambition** (Street Cry {Ire}), who took a seven-furlong Newbury maiden on his sole start in September. "Mighty Ambition won his maiden very well and will appreciate the step up to a mile," Al Zarooni said. "We are looking forward to getting a run into him so we can see where we are. Hopefully, the race can be a stepping stone in the right direction. He has done well through the winter and I have been pleased with his training. He will improve for his seasonal return, but we are hopeful that he can run well."

Another unexposed runner is Dr Ali Ridha's **Born To Surprise (GB)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who made an instant impression in 2012 with a five-length success in a seven-furlong Doncaster maiden Apr. 1. "Born To Surprise has come out of his Doncaster race well and we have always had a high opinion of him," trainer Michael Bell commented. "I am just hoping that we don't get too much rain at Newmarket, because he is a very good mover. He certainly warrants his place in the line-up, and he is a colt that we like a lot. The Craven S. will show us whether he is good enough for the 2000 Guineas at this stage of his career."

Richard Hannon has annexed this race four times, and relies on a trio in John Manley's G2 Champagne S. winner and Dewhurst fifth **Trumpet Major (Ire)** (Arakan), Titan Assets' G3 Somerville Tattersall S. scorer **Crius (Ire)** (Heliostatic {Ire}) and Andrew Tinkler's **Campanology (GB)** (Royal Applause {GB}).

"Trumpet Major never got the recognition that he deserved for an excellent first season," Hannon commented. "He won the Champagne S. at Doncaster and was then only beaten a length and a half in the Dewhurst after suffering interference and coming from a long way back. He is going really well, and the only negative is the three-pound penalty, but I still think that he will make them all go."

**Thursday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 4:10 p.m.**

**NOVAE BLOODSTOCK INSURANCE CRAVEN S.-G3, £55,000, 3yo, c/g, 1mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	12	Trumpet Major (Ire)	Arakan	Moore	Hannon
2	5	Beaufort Twelve (GB)	Hurricane Run (Ire)	Bentley	W Jarvis
3	7	Born To Surprise (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Spencer	Bell
4	8	Campanology (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	Murtagh	Hannon
5	10	Crius (Ire)	Heliostatic (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
6	3	Eastern Sun (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Buick	Gosden
7	2	Forgotten Hero (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	M Hills	C Hills
8	1	Miblish (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Doyle	C Brittain
9	11	Mighty Ambition	Street Cry (Ire)	Dettori	Al Zarooni
10	13	Minstrels Gallery (Ire)	Refuse To Bend (Ire)	Tylicki	Jenkins
11	4	Most Improved (Ire)	Lawman (Fr)	Fallon	Meehan
12	9	Ptolemaic (GB)	Excellent Art (GB)	Eaves	Smart
13	6	Rayvin Black (GB)	Halling	Durcan	Tompkins

All carry 124 pounds, bar Trumpet Major, 127.

## OVER ENTHUSIASTIC

Today's G3 Earl of Sefton S. sees the seasonal bow of the evergreen veteran **Twice Over (GB)** (Observatory), who has foregone his usual visit to Meydan to bid for a sixth success from eight outings on his beloved Rowley Mile. His third in this race in 2009 and second to New Approach (Ire) in the previous year's G1 Champion S. are his only reversals on this strip and his four Group 1 successes include two editions of the Champion. He has also won on his first outing in three of the five seasons he has raced, and escapes a penalty here despite his win in York's G1 Juddmonte International in August. "I'm delighted to have him back for another year," trainer Sir Henry Cecil said of the Warren Place favorite. "He's been in good order this spring, and the Earl of Sefton looks a good starting point."

Last year's winner **Ransom Note (GB)** (Red Ransom) is also highly effective at this track, having also taken the G2 Joel S. in September. On the latter occasion, he had the re-opposing **Tazahum** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) back in fourth before failing to fire over 10 furlongs in both Ascot's G1 Champion S. and Sha Tin's G1 Hong Kong Cup. Ransom Note's trainer Charlie Hills said, "Michael [Hills] rode him on Saturday and said he's in the same sort of form as last year. He has to carry a five-pound penalty for his Group 2 win last year, but, hopefully, that won't stop him."

Godolphin rely on stalwart **Prince Siegfried (Fr)** (Royal Applause {GB}), whose G3 Winter Hill S. last August represented a career-best before he disappointed when only fifth in Goodwood's Listed Foundation S. the next month.

**Thursday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 4:45 p.m.**

**WEATHERBYS EARL OF SEFTON S.-G3, £55,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Ransom Note (GB)	Red Ransom	M Hills	C Hills	129
2	8	Afsare (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Spencer	Cumani	124
3	4	Albaqaa (GB)	Medicean (GB)	O'Neill	P O'Gorman	124
4	2	Penitent (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Tudhope	O'Meara	124
5	9	Prince Siegfried (Fr)	Royal Applause (GB)	Dettori	Bin Suroor	124
6	10	Questioning (Ire)	Elusive Quality	Buick	Gosden	124
7	5	Tazahum	Redte's Chc (Aus)	Hanagan	Stoute	124
8	3	Titus Mills (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Dwyer	Meehan	124
9	1	Twice Over (GB)	Observatory	Queally	Cecil	124
10	6	Beatrice Aurore (Ire)	Danehl Dncr (Ire)	Moore	J Dunlop	121

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**IN THE DRIVING SEAT**

Richard Hannon could write a rough guide to plundering the valuable sales races of Europe, and the master of Everleigh has his focus on Newmarket today as **Coupe de Ville (Ire)** (Clodovil {Ire}) attempts to add the £250,000 Tattersalls Millions 3-y-o Trophy to his existing haul. Last seen besting stable companion and subsequent G3 Horris Hill S. winner Tell Dad (GB) (Intikhab) in this venue's £500,000 Tattersalls Millions 2yo Trophy over seven furlongs in October, he is one of a quartet from the Hannon stable, but is the clear form pick. "He was going away at the end of the seven when he won here, so you would have to think that there was a chance that he would stay this longer distance," Hannon said.

Of the less-exposed challengers, **Ellaal (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}) looked a colt to follow when short-heading Godolphin's Periphery (Elusive Quality) in a maiden over seven furlongs here in October, and trainer Charlie Hills is hoping the extra distance will not prove a step too far. "He's a really likeable horse who has made good physical progress over the winter and is more than capable of running a big race," Hills explained. "The only possible query could be the trip."

**Mickdaam (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) is back with Richard Fahey, having made hay in the Dubai sun when winning the Mar. 10 Listed Al Bastakiya and finishing second in the G3 UAE 2000 Guineas and fourth in the G2 UAE Derby for Mike de Kock. "We haven't had Mickdaam back long, but on his Dubai form he has a serious chance," Fahey told *sportinglife.com*. "He came back from there looking a million dollars, and Jamie Spencer was very happy when he came and had a sit on him the other day. He was always a horse we liked a lot, and I'm just hoping the trip back to Malton hasn't taken too much out of him. It's been cold here the last few nights and I'm sure he felt it. When he left us, he was a big immature baby and he's come back looking like a man, he looks great. He was always going to be a better horse when he got older and, looking at his rating, he's the one to beat. If the travels haven't taken a toll then he'll run a big race."

**Thursday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 3:00 p.m.**  
**£250,000 TATTERSALLS MILLIONS 3-Y-O TROPHY-Cond, £250,000,**  
 3yo, 1 1/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	7	Alkazim (Ire)	Hly Romn Empr (Ire)	Fallon	Wachman
2	3	Amira's Prince (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Lordan	Wachman
3	12	Benbecula (GB)	Motivator (GB)	K O'Neill	Hannon
4	1	Chapter Seven (GB)	Excellent Art (GB)	Tylicki	Fahey
5	8	Coupe de Ville (Ire)	Clodovil (Ire)	R Moore	Hannon
6	11	Daghash (GB)	Tiger Hill (Ire)	Doyle	C Brittain
7	4	Ellaal (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	O'Shea	C Hills
8	2	Entifaadha (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Hanagan	Haggas
9	13	Ex Oriente (Ire)	Azamour (Ire)	Buick	Gosden
10	10	Handsome Man (Ire)	Nayef	Dettori	bin Suroor
11	5	Mickdaam (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Spencer	Fahey
12	9	Rock Supreme (Ire)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Murtagh	Hannon
13	14	Rougemont (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Dobbs	Hannon
14	6	Arsaadi (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Ajtebi	Haggas

All carry 129 pounds bar Arsaadi, 124.

**Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 5:00 p.m. EDT**

**JEROME S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	The Lumber Guy	Grand Slam	Luzzi	Hushion	120
2	Brigand	Flatter	Nakatani	Baffert	116
3	Stirred Up (K)	Lemon Drop Kid	Garcia	Baffert	116
4	Dan and Sheila (K)	More Than Ready	Napravnik	Pletcher	116
5	Right To Vote	Political Force	Solis	Harty	116
6	Adirondack King (K)	Lawyer Ron	Carmouche	Servis	120
7	Term Loan	City Place	Garcia	Violette Jr	116

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:38 p.m. EDT**

**SANTA BARBARA H.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Hard Seven (K)	Rock Hard Ten	Maldonado	McFarlane	115
2	Cambina (Ire)	Hawk Wing	Bejarano	Bonde	119
3	Glowing Spirit (Brz)	Crimson Tide (Ire)	Espinoza	Avila	112
4	Capital Plan (K)	Rock Hard Ten	Blanc	Hollendorfer	114
5	Vamo A Galupiar (Chi)	Proud Citizen	Smith	Drysdale	120
6	Bauble Queen (K)	Arch	Talamo	Kruljac	118
7	Camelia Rose (Fr)	Oratorio (Ire)	Rosario	Callaghan	116

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:34 p.m. EDT**

**SAN SIMEON H.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 6.5f**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Supreme Summit (K)	Cactus Ridge	Flores	Puype	116
2	Gallant Son (K)	Malabar Gold	Mawing	Lucarelli	116
3	Victory Pete	Five Star Day	Sutherland	Barba	116
4	Sayif (Ire)	Kheleyf	Valdivia Jr	Biancone	114
5	Compari	Redattore (Brz)	Bejarano	Jones	119
6	California Flag	Avenue of Flags	Talamo	Koriner	121
7	Irish Art (K)	Artie Schiller	Rosario	Gaines	116
8	Ain't No Other	Old Topper	Smith	Miyadi	116

**Saturday, Hawthorne, post time: 6:40 p.m. EDT**

**SIXTY SAILS H.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Afleeting Lady	Afleet Alex	Emigh	Romans	116
2	She's All In	Include	Quinonez	Von Hemel	113
3	Beloveda (K)	Ghostzapper	Hamilton	Wolfson	116
4	Juanita	Mineshaft	Torres	Maker	115
5	Love and Pride (K)	A.P. Indy	Geroux	Pletcher	116
6	One Last Dance (K)	Officer	Thornton	Reavis	113
7	Arena Elvira (K)	Ghostzapper	Lezcano	Mott	122
8	Distorted Love (K)	Distorted Humor	Homeister Jr	Pitts	113

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# INGLIS BROODMARE

## ASMAHAN TOPS BROODMARE SALE

**WEDNESDAY Asmahan (Aus)** (Zabeel {NZ}--She's Country {NZ}, by Kenfair {NZ}), in foal to Magic Albert (Aus), attracted top price of A\$200,000 (US\$207,362) at Wednesday's second session of Inglis' Easter Broodmare Sale in Sydney. The 10-year-old mare ([lot 321](#)) is out of G1 New Zealand Oaks winner She's Country (NZ) and is a half-sister to group winner She Rules (NZ) (Commands {Aus}). Consigned by Willow Park Stud, she was purchased by Colm Santry Bloodstock. The other lot to bring six figures yesterday was **Katsumi (Aus)** (Galileo {Ire}--Kassiyaka {Ire}, by Persian Bold {Ire}). Sold as [lot 405](#), the 9-year-old mare is out of a half-sister to group winners Kassani (Ire- (Alleged) and Kassana (Ire) (Shernazar {Ire}). In foal to Duke of Marmalade (Ire), she was consigned by Yarraman Park Stud and was purchased for A\$120,000 by Damon Gabbedy's Belmont Bloodstock. In all, 149 broodmares sold during Wednesday's session for an aggregate of A\$3,354,200. The average was A\$22,511 and the median was A\$16,000. The three-day Easter Broodmare sale concludes with a general session beginning Thursday at 10:30 a.m.



### INGLIS EASTER BROODMARE SALE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

	Session	Cumulative
Catalogued	233	492
No. Offered	218	413
No. Sold	149	285
RNAs	59	128
% RNA	28%	31.0%
High Price	A\$200,000	A\$1,050,000
Gross	A\$3,354,200	A\$21,808,700
Average	A\$22,511	A\$76,522
Median	A\$16,000	A\$32,500

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# WRITERS UP

## UK PANEL OFFERS LAUGHS, SALIENT POINTS

By Lucas Marquardt

The University of Kentucky's Horse Racing Club presented its annual "Inside Horse Racing" panel discussion Tuesday night at Fasig-Tipton's sales pavilion in Lexington, with a "Road to the Triple Crown" theme this year. Members of the club, students from UK and industry participants enjoyed a few hours of storytelling and opinions from Team Valor International's Barry Irwin, trainer Dale Romans, Triple Crown-winning jockey Jean Cruguet, and Darley President Jimmy Bell. Horse Racing Radio Network's Mike Penna handled emcee duties for the third straight year. The night also featured a silent auction that raised over \$2,000, with proceeds going to the Club and to benefit the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund. **Cont. p15**



**Barry Irwin & Dale Romans**  
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### New Business Model Needed With Loss of Racing

*The Ontario Liberal government is determined to create a new business model for the province's horse racing tracks, without further assistance from taxpayers, says the agriculture minister.*

**Kevin Werner, Sachem.ca**

### "The Best-Kept Secret in Baltimore"

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**Pat van den Beemt, Baltimore Sun**

### Beck: Racetrack lease deal will hold up to challenge

*"From the state's perspective, and certainly from my perspective, Brunetti is a day late and a dollar short," said Senator Jennifer Beck, who has played a pivotal role in efforts to keep Monmouth Park in operation.*

**Kenny Walter, Red Bank Hub**



All four men on the panel have enjoyed success on the Triple Crown trail. Cruguet, of course, piloted Seattle Slew to his historic treble in 1977. Bell stood in the winner's circle at Pimlico 29 years later after Darley homebred Bernardini captured the GI Preakness S. (The Darley team is in with another Classic chance in this year's Derby in the form of Bernardini's son Alpha.) Team Valor sent out its own homebred, Animal Kingdom, to victory in last year's Derby, only to fall to the Romans-trained Shackleford in the Preakness. This year, Team Valor has the Classic hopeful Went the Day Well, while Romans has the GI Blue Grass S. winner Dullahan.

Romans said he was excited to be sitting next to the man, Cruguet, who booted home the winner of the first Derby he ever attended at the age of 10. Romans remembered a story told to him by jockey Julio Espinoza, who was aboard Bob's Dusty for Slew's '77 Derby. Bob's Dusty was coupled with Run Dusty Run, and the trainer of the two colts, Smiley Adams, gave Espinoza explicit instructions: hamper Slew early. Julio told Romans that he did his job at the break, swerving outward to take the path of the champ, only to see "the big, black monster" blow by a second later to challenge for the lead. Bob's Dusty faded, while Run Dusty Run finished second in the Derby. "He was a special horse to overcome the adversity he did," said Romans of Seattle Slew. "You couldn't keep him from winning."

Romans said that he'd never seen Slew up close, however, and as the aging stallion began to get on in years, he called Three Chimneys Farm one day to schedule a visit. On his way to Keeneland, he stopped by and looked on in reverence as Slew was led into the center of the farm's courtyard. Romans said he reached out to pet the great champion when something unexpected happened. "He bit me," said Romans. "Apparently, I was a bigger fan of his than he was of me."

From his perspective, Irwin said the great Secretariat was peerless. A native Californian, Irwin explained that in the spring of 1973, he was a big fan of local hopeful Sham, the Pretense colt who had won the GI Santa Anita Derby in a time (1:47) that equaled the stakes record. "I loved Sham," said Irwin. "I'd been around long enough to know how good he was. When I look back at the Derby that year, you'd hear all these rumors, and you would have bet money that Secretariat wasn't going to even make the post parade. But he absolutely just toyed with Sham. He did it again in the Preakness with that extravagant move on the clubhouse turn, and in the Belmont just completely destroyed the horse."

Cruguet, through a formidable French accent, talked about Seattle Slew, of course, but also spoke of another of his 1970s mounts he felt was destined for greatness: Hoist the Flag. He said for sure the 1970 champion 2-year-old colt would have won the Triple Crown had he not broken down during a work prior to the 1971 Derby. Cruguet has said that he considers Hoist the Flag, and not Seattle Slew, the best horse he ever rode.

Asked about the best horse he's ever been around personally, Darley's Jimmy Bell said it would have to be Bernardini, whose brilliant win in the second leg of the Triple Crown in 2006 was overshadowed by Barbaro's breakdown. Bernardini went on to win the GII Jim Dandy, GI Travers S. and GI Jockey Club Gold Cup in succession before a fine runner-up finish to Invasor (Arg) in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, and was named champion 3-year-old. "Bernardini had that presence, that high cruising speed, and that agility," said Bell. "We sure hope that Alpha exhibits some of his abilities on the first Saturday in May."

There were a few dozen UK students in the crowd, and the panelists offered advice to the young race fans entertaining a career in the industry, particularly in light of the difficulties the sport is facing. "I'm celebrating my 69th birthday this week, and if I had to give advice to something who was 35, I'd tell them to make racing a hobby and not a job," admitted Irwin. Later, he said the advice he gave to his daughter Chloe, who is trying to break into the motion picture business, is the same he'd give to people entering the horse business: "Try to get as close to someone you idolize as possible," he said. "Find somebody you have a lot of respect for and, if you can, work closely with them, because you're only going to really learn something from those people at the top."

Romans encouraged people to "not be afraid" and jump into the business, but only if it was out of love and not in anticipation of financial gain. "It's very difficult to make money; do it because you love the horses," he said.

Cruguet proffered that patience was an invaluable trait for young people trying to break in, while Bell said that passion was the key ingredient to success. "If you have the passion, the pieces will fall together--maybe sooner, maybe later," Bell said. "The passion you have will grow and take you where you want to be."

Early in the evening, the panel was asked about the long absence of a Triple Crown winner in American racing. Cruguet said he felt medication played a major factor. "Seattle Slew didn't run on Lasix," he said. "They used to run every two weeks. Now they run every five or six."

Romans, who a day earlier passionately made a case for raceday Lasix at the KHRC meeting, sidestepped the matter early, but a question from the crowd later once again brought the issue to the fore. Romans likened the use of Lasix on horses to Jerome Bettis's use of an asthma inhaler on the sidelines during his time as a Pittsburgh Steelers great. "It didn't make him a better football player, but it allowed him to compete," said Romans. **Cont. p16**



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**Writers Up cont.**

The other three panelists stated their opposition to raceday Lasix. Bell said the best way to offer the most level playing field for all was to eliminate it, while Irwin said that, from the over 440 horses he's campaigned, only a handful have had bleeding problems. He added that if the 99% of horses who race on Lasix truly need it to compete, "Then we really don't have a viable sport."

Everybody on the panel agreed that regardless of one's position, the dialogue was appropriate. "It's good we can have this discussion," said Romans. "We'll see what the future brings."

If the debate on the stage ended in a draw, Romans got the last laugh on the evening. Just after the panel adjourned, the crowd shifted upstairs to make last-minute bids at the silent auction. With the seconds running down, Romans swooped in to trump Irwin on the "Derby Memorabilia Package," which at a closing bid of about \$400, was the night's highest-priced auction item. The package included a signed Jean Cruguet 1977 Derby Program, a signed 1978 Derby Program, Laffit Pincay Jr.-signed goggles, and a Ron Turcotte-autographed Secretariat DVD.

Natalie Heitz, president of UK's Horse Racing Club, declared the night a success, and said she was thrilled with the turnout. "The student participation was outstanding, as were the facilities and food provided by Fasig Tipton," she said. "All four of the panel guests provided exceptional insight into the field of horse racing." Heitz received a shout-out from Penna, who made note that this was Heitz's final panel discussion. "As a graduating senior I am sad to be leaving," she said.

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**HANDLE UP IN NEW YORK**

New York Racing Association officials reported substantial increases in first-quarter handle during a meeting of the Franchise Oversight Board at the State Capitol in Albany, N.Y. Tuesday. Higher purses from VLT revenue at the new Resorts World Casino at Aqueduct led to growth in field sizes and wagering at the winter meet at Aqueduct. With seven more days of racing in the quarter compared to 2011, the total handle grew \$102.1 million--a 26.6% increase--to \$487,924,480. The daily average on-track handle was up 9.8%, the daily average off-track handle was up 13.8 % and the daily average total handle increased by 12.6%.

Despite those gains, which NYRA officials said exceeded projections, the Association finished the quarter with what President and CEO Charlie Hayward described as a "slight loss." However, Hayward noted that Aqueduct historically has the lowest handle of the three NYRA tracks, and that business has grown in each of the three months. "We are confident that we are going to operate racing at a profit," he said.

During the first three months of the year, NYRA's Internet handle jumped by 52% to \$23.3 million and Telebet business increased by 50% to \$14.9 million, which produced the double-digit average gain in off-track figures. "NYRA hasn't had those kinds of increases in 10 years," Hayward said. "And with the base that we're building going into Belmont, I'm extremely optimistic. I think our April numbers from Aqueduct are going to beat our March numbers, which were phenomenal."

The Belmont Cafe generated \$19.5 million in handle, compared to \$11.8 million in the first quarter of 2011. NYRA said the estimated attendance at the simulcast site at its other metropolitan track was up 69%. NYRA officials had projected that the larger purses would lead to a growth in average field size by about 0.5 horse. The average growth was 0.3 horse, from 7.1 to 7.4, and Hayward said the smaller increase was the result of a NYRA decision to run more allowance and allowance-optional claiming races than straight claiming races, which draw more entrants. He said that NYRA was using that approach to raise the overall quality of its racing programs and that the handle increases show that bettors were responding favorably.



Also, NYRA presented stats that showed customers of the five off-track betting corporations in New York state, increased wagering on NYRA races while cutting back on out-of-state racing. Responding to critical questions from members of the FOB about marketing policies, NYRA officials said they were close to hiring a senior marketing executive. -Mike Kane

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**KENTUCKY** 

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-KEE, \$57,424, Alw, NW2\$X, 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02 2/5, fm.**

**STORMY RUSH** (c, 4, [Stormy Atlantic](#)--Willow Rush {SW, \$145,120}, by Wild Rush), a  **"TDN Rising Star"**  following a debut win sprinting over the Woodbine turf at two, was third two starts later in the GIII Summer S. before ending the season with a fourth in the GIII Bourbon S. over this turf course that October. He'd faced the starter just once since, an allowance fourth going a mile over these weeds last Apr. 17. Allowed to drift back to slightly worse than centerfield, Stormy Rush hugged the fence before gaining into the stretch. Still behind a wall of horses passing the eighth pole, he was angled back to the rails and outfinished favored Spinning Move (Belong to Me) on the outside to take it by neck at odds of 9-2. Sales history: \$45,000 RNA yrl '09 FTKJUL; \$210,000 2yo '10 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: GSP, 6-3-0-1, \$136,053. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Robert Harvey, Alan Wortzman & George Ledson Philip. B-Gulf Coast Farms LLC (KY). T-Roger L Attfield.



**6th-KEE, \$49,493, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 2/5, fm.**

**POTOMAC RIVER** (c, 3, [English Channel](#)--Reba's Approval, by With Approval), picked up by his trainer for a mere \$2,300 as a horse of racing age at FTKFEB this past winter, returned about 15 times that investment with a stunning performance here. Dismissed at odds of 34-1 in a Mar. 25 Polytrack sprint at Turfway Park, the chestnut came from next to last to round out the exacta underneath Johannesbourbon (Johannesburg), who takes his shot in this Saturday's GII Coolmore Lexington S. A bit awkwardly into stride, Potomac River lingered near the back of the pack early before launching a Victoire Pisa-like move which catapulted him past horses and all the way up into second by the time they'd reached the turn. He drew alongside pacesetter Double Crossing (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) in upper stretch and looked for a stride or two that he wouldn't be able to sustain his rally. But he kept finding and drew clear to score by three very impressive lengths. Dreams Cut Short (Belong to Me) drew in from the also-eligibles and ran on well for second. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$33,920. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O/T-William M Helmbrecht. B-Mereworth Farm (KY).

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# NEW YORK

**Yesterday's Results:**

**3rd-AQU, \$67,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:49 2/5, ft.**

**EYE ON JACOB** (h, 6, [A.P. Indy](#)--Escena {Ch. Older Mare, [MGISW](#), \$2,962,639}, by [Strawberry Road](#) {Aus}), an \$800,000 KEESEP yearling in 2007, broke his maiden in a single start at three for Nick Zito, but went missing for two years before resurfacing in the barn of Bob Baffert. The dark bay made five starts in the Golden State, including a runner-up effort at Del Mar last July 20, but was shelved again off a ninth at the seaside oval Aug. 13. Returned to the East Coast, he resumed with a highly rated runner-up effort to Self Control (Lemon Drop Kid) at Gulfstream Mar. 8 and was heavily favored here. Three wide into the first turn, Eye On Jacob advanced to be a stalking second for the run up the backstretch. He was coaxed along to lead at the five-sixteenths marker and turned back a mild bid from Inflation Target (Tapit)--a full brother to SW & GISP Rattlesnake Bridge--for a 7 1/4-length victory. Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-1, \$110,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Zayat Stables LLC. B-Guy B Snowden & Diane Snowden (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

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**7th-AQU, \$64,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, ft.**

**PROMISE ME A CAT** (f, 4, [D'wildcat](#)--[Promise Me Magic](#), by [Pentelicus](#)), winner of the Sweet Patootie S. at two and fourth as the odds-on favorite in that year's Gill Delta Princess S., raced three times over the inner dirt this winter, finishing a tired seventh Dec. 2, an improved third Jan. 20 and a last-out second Mar. 2. The 7-2 third choice to finally clear this hurdle, the Florida-bred saved ground inside from third, swung wide into the lane and drove clear to best Twice the Lady (Quiet American) by 1 1/4 lengths. Sales history: \$16,000 yrl '09 OBSAUG; \$70,000 2yo '10 OBSFEB. Lifetime Record: SW, 9-3-3-1, \$172,740. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Blue Devil Racing Stable. B-Big C Farm (FL). T-Carlos F Martin.

**Another IBS 2YO Auction Purchase**

**8th-AQU, \$62,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.**

**SRUMDIDDLYUMPTIOUS** (f, 3, [Roman Ruler](#)--[Livelifeoflove](#), by [Hennessy](#)) debuted with a well-backed third to the talented Say a Novena (Songandaprayer) at Monmouth June 12, was sidelined and returned to action in style, graduating by 3 1/4 front-running lengths Feb. 29. The winner is a half-sister to Hamsa (Fusaichi Pegasus), GISP, \$160,768. Quickly into stride, the chestnut filly skipped along through fast fractions and had Victoria Lynn (Grand Slam) bearing down on her through the final eighth of a mile, but held sway to score by a half-length at 8-1. Sales history: \$85,000 yrl '10 KEEJAN; \$55,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$78,150. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

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- 6th-KEE (Msw)** Bargain purchase **Potomac River** (English Channel) makes a remarkable middle move en route to victory.
- 3rd-AQU (Alw)** Blue-blooded **Eye on Jacob** (A.P. Indy) scores for the first time since 2009.
- 9th-AQU (Msw {S})** **The Thinker** (Tale of the Cat) causes some anxious moments, but is a ton the best.

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Arlington Park	Polytrack
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**New York Report cont.**

**9th-AQU, \$55,000, Msw, (S), 3/up, 1mT, 1:36 4/5, fm.**

**THE THINKER** (c, 3, [Tale of the Cat](#)--Valdivia, by [Pleasant Colony](#)) gave his backers and jockey Junior Alvarado a few anxious moments early on, but proved a much-the-best winner in the end. A late-running third in his six-furlong debut over the inner track Feb. 11, the dark bay stretched to two turns for his latest and just missed, going down by a neck Mar. 14. Trying the infield for the first time here as the 2-5 chalk, the \$325,000 KEESEP yearling was three wide into the first turn, scattering the resident geese. But as soon as they raced into the backstretch, The Thinker began to get out badly, dropping back to fourth, though never losing touch with the first flight. With his running shoes back on, he recovered to force the pace, took command in upper stretch and came home 3 1/2 lengths to the good of Captain Goodenough (Fast Play). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$49,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales](#). O-Fox Hill Farms Inc. B-Empire Equines LLC (NY). T-Chad C Brown.

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# CENTRAL U.S.

**Tuesday Night's Results:**

**5th-IND, \$34,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5, ft.**  
 + **HESRAISINCAIN** (g, 3, [Killenaule](#)--[Jerika Girl](#), by [Mark of Nobility](#)) turned in a handful of smart works at Highpoint Farm and was the 11-10 chalk to score at first asking. Three deep to the far turn, the Indiana-bred surged to the front outside the eighth pole and went on to take it by a clear-cut 3 3/4 lengths. He is the second winner for his second-crop sire (by Fusaichi Pegasus), a multiple stakes-winning son of 1995 GI Oak Leaf S. winner Tipically Irish (Metfield). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#). O-Karger & Frey Racing Stables. B-John Stofft (IN). T-Stephen D Dunn.

**AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS**

**IN BRITAIN:**

+ **Cogito**, c, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#). See "Britain."

**IN FRANCE:**

**Shomoukh**, f, 3, [Unbridled's Song](#). See "Breeders' Edition Europe."

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**IN MEXICO:**

**EI Biologo**, g, 5, [El Corredor](#)--S'more Smoke (MSP), by Smoke Glacken. Hipodromo de las Americas, 4-14, Handicap Presideicial, 1 1/16m, 1:52. B-Gulf Coast Farms LLC. \*Horse of the Year & Ch. Imp. 3yo Colt-Mex. \*\*\$5,500 yrl '08 KEESEP.

**AMERICA'S BEST SELLERS...TAYLOR MADE**

**IN PERU:**

**Puquio**, c, 3, [Master Command](#)--Asmokeafterdinner, by Langfuhr. Monterrico, 4-14, Maiden, 1000m. B-Springland Farm. \*\$8,000 wnlg '09 KEENOV.

**AMERICA'S BEST SELLERS...TAYLOR MADE**

#**Miss Persa**, f, 4, [Royal Academy](#)--Miss Exchange, by Miswaki. Monterrico, 4-14, Premio Reina Isabel II, 1600m. B-Luis Bravo Productions LLC. \*\$3,000 wnlg '08 KEENOV.

**AMERICA'S BEST SELLERS...TAYLOR MADE**



**First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, April 19**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2008 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- CHATAIN** (Forest Wildcat), 13/0/0  
 2-LS, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Tuned Crusader, \$1,000 TEX AUG yrl, 3-1  
[MAJESTIC WARRIOR](#) (A.P. Indy), Ashford, \$20K, 113/0/0  
 3-AQU, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Majestic Wind, \$7K OBS AUG yrl, 6-1  
[READY'S IMAGE](#) (More Than Ready), Walmac, \$13K, 39/0/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, Ready Set Whoa, \$4K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1  
[RUN AWAY AND HIDE](#) (City Zip), Darby Dan, \$8K, 54/0/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, Larry Zip It, \$5K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1  
**SALUTE THE SARGE** (Forest Wildcat), Walmac, \$8K, 51/0/0  
 3-AQU, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Cabs Are Here, 12-1

**First/Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, April 19**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2007 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- [ANY GIVEN SATURDAY](#) (Distorted Humor), Darley, \$40K, 193/16/2  
 8-KEE, Stk, 1mT, Biogio's Gift, \$40K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 30-1  
**DATRICK** (Favorite Trick), 14/0/0  
 2-LS, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Flying Datrick, \$1,000 TEX AUG yrl, 5-2  
[HIGH COTTON](#) (Dixie Union), Ocala Stud, \$5K, 84/16/2  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Muggsy, \$65K OBS AUG yrl, 8-5  
**KUMA** (Unbridled's Song), 7/1/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Jenna Lee Kuma, 6-1  
**LAWYER RON** (Langfuhr), Stonewall, \$30K, 144/24/4  
 8-KEE, Stk, 1mT, Andrew's Girl, \$72K RNA OBS MAR 2yo, 12-1  
**MASTER COMMAND** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made, \$15K, 179/25/2  
 7-PIM, Msw, 5fT, +One in a Jillian, \$10K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1  
[PURIM](#) (Dynaformer), Richland Hills, \$10K, 124/19/0  
 9-KEE, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Love Gone Sour, 20-1  
**SCIPION** (A.P. Indy), Murmur, \$6K, 62/11/0  
 2-PIM, Msw, 6f, +Meredith's Star, 7-2



# EUROPE



## BOLDOGSAG RETIRED

Unbeaten Classic prospect **Boldogsag (Fr)** (Layman--Belga Wood, by Woodman), a Pascal Bary trainee, has been retired after she was diagnosed with tendonitis, according to *Racing Post*. Mme Georges Sandor's homebred chestnut had registered a first-up score in a debutantes' heat at Longchamp in September and doubled up in a Maisons-Laffitte conditions event the following month. She closed a perfect juvenile campaign when garnering the Oct. 18 G3 Prix des Reservoirs at Deauville, accounting for subsequent G3 Prix Imprudence victress Mashoora (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}). "She's back with us on the farm now and we have chosen King's Best to cover her," Sandor told the trade daily.

# BRITAIN



## Yesterday's Results:

**BLUE SQUARE FEILDEN S.-Listed**, £33,000, Newmarket, 4-18, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:56.62, gd.

1--**@STIPULATE (GB)**, 125, c, 3, by **Dansili (GB)**

1st Dam: **Indication (GB)**, by **Sadler's Wells**

2nd Dam: **Insinuate**, by **Mr. Prospector**

3rd Dam: **All At Sea**, by **Riverman**

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-Sir Henry Cecil; J-Tom Queally; £18,714. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, £25,738.

2--**Mister Music (GB)**, 125, c, 3, Singspiel (Ire)--Sierra (GB), by Dr Fong. O/B-Longview Stud & Bloodstock Ltd; T-Richard Hannon; £7,095.

3--**Producer (GB)**, 125, c, 3, Dutch Art (GB)--River Saint, by Irish River (Fr). (5,000gns wnlg '09 TATDEC; €14,000 yrl '10 TATIRE; £28,000 2yo '11 DONAPR). O-J Palmer-Brown; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-Richard Hannon; £3,551.

Margins: 4HF, 1, NK. Odds: 8-1, 28-1, 4-1.

Also Ran: Oxford Charley, Jungle Beat (Ire), Perennial (GB), Pembrey (GB).

Stipulate scored at the first time of asking over seven furlongs at Leicester in August before filling fourth spot in the Listed Ascendant S. over a mile at Haydock the following month. Last seen finishing third in the Listed Silver Tankard S. over that trip at Pontefract in October, the homebred was keen early, but eventually settled under cover behind the leading quartet as Mister Music set a moderate pace. Traveling strongly passing the quarter pole, the bay found a seam there and was quickly in command en route to a convincing first black-type success. Connections are looking at the G3 Dee S. for his next start at Chester May 11. [Video, courtesy Racing UK.](#)

**BET AT BLUESQUARE.COM EUROPEAN FREE H.-Listed**, £33,000, Newmarket, 4-18, 3yo, 7fT, 1:28.03, gd.

1--**#TELWAAR (GB)**, 123, c, 3, by **Haafhd (GB)**

1st Dam: **Waafiah (GB)**, by **Anabaa**

2nd Dam: **First Waltz (Fr)**, by **Green Dancer**

3rd Dam: **Fell Sweep (Fr)**, by **Huntercombe (GB)**

O-Ziad A Galadari; B-Galadari Sons Stud Company Ltd; T-Peter Chapple-Hyam; J-William Buick; £18,714. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, £27,115.

2--**Bannock (Ire)**, 133, c, 3, Bertolini--Laoub, by Red Ransom. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Mark Johnston; £7,095.

3--**Hazaz (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Dubawi (Ire)--Treble Seven, by Fusaichi Pegasus. (48,000gns RNA yrl '10 TATOCT). O-Saeed Manana; B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd; T-Clive Brittain; £3,551.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 9-2, 12-1, 14-1.

Also Ran: Redact (Ire), Zumbi (Ire), West Leake Diman (Ire), B Fifty Two (Ire).

Telwaar opened his account over six furlongs at Doncaster in June before finishing behind Maybe (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}), as yesterday's G3 Nell Gwyn S. heroine Esentepe (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}) had, when sixth in Royal Ascot's Listed Chesham S. over this trip 15 days later. Fifth dropped back to six furlongs in the Listed Rose Bowl S. at Newbury in July, the chestnut chased home the subsequent G1 Racing Post Trophy runner-up Fencing (Street Cry {Ire}) back there in the seven-furlong Listed Washington Singer S. when last seen in August. Settled in last early by a confident William Buick, he was angled into the clear on the run down into the dip with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and had swamped all rivals with 50 yards to race. "He always worked like a nice horse last year, but wanted a bit of time and I maybe asked him some questions he wasn't ready for," trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam said. "My only worry was the rain, as the faster the ground the better he is. He's got one kick and he pulls up in front at home, so I told William to leave it as late as possible. He might get a mile and is in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains [at Longchamp May 13], but in my heart I think I should wait for the G3 Jersey S. [at Royal Ascot June 20]." [Video, courtesy Racing UK.](#)

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**British Report cont.**

£150,000 TATTERSALLS MILLIONS 3-Y-O SPRINT,  
£150,000, Newmarket, 4-18, 3yo, 6fT, 1:14.14, gd.  
1--**VALBCHEK (IRE)**, 129, c, 3, by **Acclamation (GB)**

1st Dam: **Spectacular Show (Ire)**, by **Spectrum (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Stage Presence (Ire)**, by **Selkirk**

3rd Dam: **Park Charger (GB)**, by **Tirol (Ire)**

(110,000gns yrl '10 TATOCT). O-Richard Keen & Paul Smith; B-Kildaragh Stud; T-Jeremy Nosedá; J-Ryan Moore; £81,150. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £83,535.

2--**Swiss Spirit (GB)**, 129, c, 3, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--**Swiss Lake**, by **Indian Ridge (Ire)**. O/B-Lordship Stud; T-David Elsworth; £36,885.

3--**Tidentime**, 129, c, 3, **Speightstown**--**Casting Call**, by **Dynaformer**. (\$50,000 yrl '10 FTKJUL; 75,000gns yrl '10 TATOCT). O-Jon & Julia Aisbitt; B-Big C Farms; T-Mick Channon; £14,760.

Margins: HF, 1 3/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 10-3, 10-1, 33-1.

Also Ran: **Solar Deity (Ire)**, **Van Ellis (GB)**, **Muarrab (GB)**, **Balty Boys (Ire)**, **Samitar (GB)**, **Jacob Cats (GB)**, **Out Do (GB)**, **Philipstown (GB)**, **Wahylah (Ire)**, **Nocturn (GB)**, **Orders From Rome (Ire)**, **Switzerland (Ire)**.

Unraced as a juvenile, Valbchek opened up with a cozy debut victory at Lingfield Mar. 26 and continued on the upgrade with a determine score in this valuable event. He raced under cover in midfield from the break in this second go. Angled into clear space approaching the final quarter mile, he was ridden to challenge at the eighth pole and kept on well under a drive up the hill to safely hold the vain bid of Swiss Spirit. "Valbchek showed us plenty as a 2-year-old, but had a few little niggly problems, mainly down to immaturity, which stopped us running him," explained trainer Jeremy Nosedá. "He showed us a lot in his work and I wanted to get a kick-start into the season, so we went to Lingfield with a view to coming here. Thank goodness it's worked out. He was professional today and knuckled down to it. It was a good stepping stone and he raced like a horse that would get seven [furlongs], but [jockey] Ryan [Moore] felt six furlongs is most probably his trip. We'll go home now and have a think about it. The [June 20 G3] Jersey [S. at Royal Ascot] has been at the back of my mind, but we'll see. If he gets there with a chance, I'll take that." [Video, courtesy Racing UK](#).

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**Newmarket, 14.25, Cond**, £10,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:01.72, gd.

**BAILEYS JUBILEE (GB)** (f, 2, **Bahamian Bounty {GB}**--**Missisipi Star (Ire) {SP-Eng & Ire}**, by **Mujadil**), a four-length debut winner at Kempton last time Apr. 7, was quickly into stride and settled second. Cruising to the front at the quarter-mile marker, the 2-5 chalk surged clear inside the final furlong to account for **Lucky Beggar (Ire)** (**Verglas {Ire}**) by an impressive eight lengths. "Baileys Jubilee is a smart filly and she was more impressive today than she was last time," commented winning rider **Silvestre de Sousa**. "She jumped smartly, travelled well through the race and quickened nicely. She was really professional and I'm pleased with the way she did it." Sales history: £19,000 yrl '11 DONAUG. [Video, courtesy Racing UK](#). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £10,415. O-G R Bailey Ltd (Baileys Horse Feeds); B-P & Mrs A G Venner; T-Mark Johnston.

**Newmarket, 13.50, Mdn**, £7,000, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:29.07, gd.

+ **COGITO (c, 3, Giant's Causeway**--**Ladies Cruise {SW-US, \$122,591}**, by **Fappiano**) soon raced in a handy fifth before inching into second after a quarter mile of this first go. Coming under pressure soon after halfway, the 14-1 chance challenged at the two pole and stretched clear up the hill to score by 2 3/4 lengths from **Nine Realms (GB)** (**Green Desert**). The winner is a half-brother to **Transcendental (Mt. Livermore, MGISP-US, \$381,976)**; and to **Admiral's Cruise (A.P. Indy, GSW-Eng, \$239,070)**. Sales history: \$165,000 wnlg '09 KEENOV; \$140,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP. [Video, courtesy Racing UK](#). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,528. O-Reddam Racing LLC; B-Lazy Lane Farms Inc; T-Brian Meehan.

• **WOODS EDGE FARM GRADUATE** •

**Newmarket, 17.20, Mdn**, £7,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:09.45, gd.

**MODEL PUPIL (GB)** (c, 3, **Sinndar {Ire}**--**Modesta {Ire} {SW-Eng}**, by **Sadler's Wells**), third behind today's G3 Craven S. contender **Mighty Ambition (Street Cry {Ire})** over seven furlongs at Newbury in September, was sent off the 6-1 second favorite and was keen anchored towards the rear early. Making smooth progress down the outer to lead with a quarter mile remaining, the homebred was tackled and passed by **Shantaram (GB)** (**Galileo {Ire}**) a furlong later, but battled to regain the advantage in the final 50 yards and score by a nose. [Video, courtesy Racing UK](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £5,230.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-Charles Hills.

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# IRELAND



## Yesterday's Results:

**Dundalk, 17.50, Mdn, €12,000, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:37.04, stn.**

**DUNTLE (IRE) (f, 3, [Danehill Dancer {Ire}](#)--Lady Angola, by Lord At War {Arg})**, sixth on debut in the seven-furlong Leopardstown maiden won by Ballydoyle's Twirl (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in November, was put on the lead from the outset. Keeping up the gallop in the straight, the 5-1 chance powered to an 18-length success. Sales history: 78,000gns wnlg '09 TATDEC; €36,000 RNA yrl '10 GOFSP. [Video, courtesy attheraces.com](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, €6,900. O-Sonia Rogers; B-Airlie Stud; T-David Wachman.

**Dundalk, 19.50, Mdn, €12,000, 3yo, f, 10f 150yds (AWT), 2:14.92, stn.**

**BETTERBETTERBETTER (IRE) (f, 3, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Jude {GB}, by Darshaan {GB})**, runner-up to the promising Princess Highway (Street Cry {Ire}) on debut over 10 furlongs at Leopardstown Mar. 28, was sent off at 1-4 to go one better on her Polytrack debut. Always traveling easily in third, the homebred took over with a quarter mile remaining and gradually asserted to score by 2 3/4 lengths from Miss Ekaterina (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}). "She wasn't mad about the surface and wasn't doing a stroke on her own, but she has a good attitude," jockey Joseph O'Brien told *Irish Racing Online*. "You'd like to think she'd get a mile and a half." The winner is a three-parts sister to Quarter Moon (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), Hwt 2yo Filly-Ire, G1SW-Ire, \$460,788, to Yesterday (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1SW-Ire, \$824,040 and to All My Loving (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1SP-Eng & Ire, \$364,794. [Video, courtesy attheraces.com](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €10,915. O-Mrs R Henry; B-Premier Bloodstock; T-Aidan O'Brien.

# SOUTH AMERICA



## ORPEN COLT TOPS HARAS ABOLENGO SALE

**Equalitarian (Arg)**, a son of Orpen out of multiple Group 1 placed Equity (Arg) (Equalize), topped Haras Abolengo's Selected Sales of Yearlings Tuesday at Palermo's Tattersall when selling for P480,000 (*US\$109,439*) to the bid of Ignacio Pavlovsky, agent. The yearling is a half-brother to Group 1 winner Equipado (Arg) (Candy Stripes) and South African Group 2 winner Equiparada (Arg) (Editor's Note). **Positive Boy (Arg)** (Equal Stripes {Arg}), a full-brother to 2010 champion juvenile Paulinho (Arg), brought the day's second-highest price. After an extended bidding war between several potential buyers, the son of Paula Sexy (Arg) (Ride the Rails) was acquired by Stud Chacabuco for P\$432,000 (*US\$98,495*). In all, 38 yearlings sold for P7,200,000 (*US\$1,641,587*) and an average of P189,474 (*US\$43,200*).

# BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

## ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**1st-AQU, \$59,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35 3/5, fm.**

**HANGOVER KID (c, 4, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Absolute Patience, by Rakeen)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-2, \$131,028. O-Four Tags Stable. B-Steve Taglienti (NY). T-Jason Servis.

**7th-HAW, \$36,000, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000-\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, ft.**

**MAUDE S (f, 4, [Jump Start](#)--Tropical Gardens, by Thunder Gulch)** Lifetime Record: 15-3-3-5, \$104,723. O-James M Miller. B-Reiley McDonald (KY). T-James P DiVito. \*\$8,500 yrl '09 KEESEP.

**6th-IND, \$36,000, 4-17, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05 3/5, ft.**

**AIN'T SHE A SAINT (f, 3, [Saintly Look](#)--Pay the Toll, by Repriced)** Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-0-1, \$54,079. O/B-Sherri L Greenhill (IN). T-Jeffrey L Greenhill.

**9th-MNR, \$20,200, 4-17, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41, ft.**

**CANOOK (g, 5, [Canadian Frontier](#)--Littlebitpretty, by Littlebitlively)** Lifetime Record: 25-4-6-9, \$85,808. O-Lucky 8 Stables LLC. B-Breton C Jones (KY). T-Daniel E Sanner. \*\$2,500 yrl '08 KEESEP.

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Birdrun (Birdstone), 4f, :47.86, 1/24  
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#### CHURCHILL DOWNS

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#### HOLLYWOOD PARK

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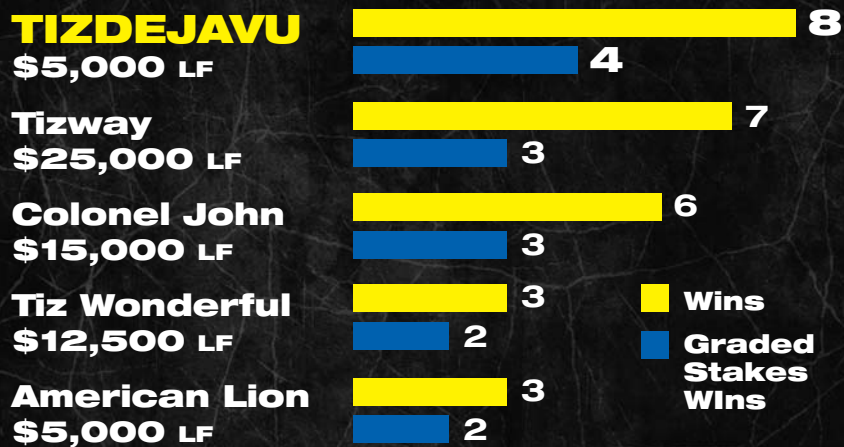
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**Stella Girl**, f, 3, **Bellamy Road**--Little Dickens, by Maria's Mon. AQU, 4-18, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:43 4/5. B-Kinsman Farm (FL).

**Paige's Gold**, f, 3, **Moro Oro**--Demi Paige (SP), by Demidoff. IND, 4-17, 5 1/2f, 1:06 3/5. B-Walter T Bates (IN). \*Full to Demido, SW, \$148,718.

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ **Tharawal Lady (Ire)**, f, 2, **Moss Vale (Ire)**--Notley Park (GB), by Wolfhound. Beverley, Britain, 4-18, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-Rathbarry Stud. \*£11,000 yrl '11 DONAUG. \*\*1/2 to Knot in Wood (Ire) (Shinko Forest {Ire}), GSW-Eng, \$519,204.

+ **Ingleby Royale (GB)**, f, 2, **Royal Applause (GB)**--Lay a Whisper (GB), by Night Shift. Beverley, Britain, 4-18, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-W Davis. \*800gns yrl '11 TATOCT.

**Ocean Park (Ger)**, c, 3, **Lord of England (Ger)**--Oakville (Ger), by Alpenkonig. Cholet, France, 4-17, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 3/16mT. B-Dr Ingrid Thau. \*1/2 to Open Air (Ger) (Nebos {Ger}), SW-Ity & SP-Ger.

**Maple Shack (Fr)**, f, 3, **Muhtathir (GB)**--Ashbourne (Fr), by Ashkalani (Ire). Cholet, France, 4-17, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 3/16mT. B-Mme Angela Kurth.

**Scixerboa (Ity)**, f, 3, **St Paul House (GB)**--Flagpole (Ire), by Be My Guest. Rome, Italy, 4-17, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT. B-Agricola Verdino SRL.

**Shomoukh**, f, 3, **Unbridled's Song**--Future Guest, by Copelan. Chantilly, France, 4-18, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT). B-Diamon A Racing Corporation. \*\$150,000 yrl '10 KEESep. \*\*1/2 to Rulers Court (Doneraile Court), GSW-US, \$235,900; Wise River (Belong to Me), MGSW-US, \$499,337.

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**Daring Damsel (Ire)**, f, 3, **Van Nistelrooy**--Serengeti Day, by Alleged. Kempton Park, Britain, 4-18, Mdn, 3-5yo, 1 3/8m (AWT). B-Summerhill Bloodstock. \*31,000gns yrl '10 TATDEC.

**So Beautiful (Fr)**, c, 3, **Zamindar**--Silver Tulip, by Silver Hawk. Chantilly, France, 4-18, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1m (AWT). B-Haras de Manneville. \*€10,000 yrl '10 ARQOCT.

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**TICKET TO SEATTLE**, 8, Capote--Bethany, by Dayjur Foal born Mar. 8, a colt by Distorted Humor. Will be bred back to Tiznow. Owned by Dattt Farm LLC. Boarded at Denali Stud. Accomplishments: SW & MGSP, \$263,574.

**BELLA BELLA BELLA**, 13, Soft Gold (Brz)--Interactive, by Slewpy Foal born Mar. 9, a filly by Sharp Humor. Will be bred back to Scat Daddy. Owned by Ranjan Racing. Boarded at Taylor Made. Accomplishments: GSW of \$129,350.

**DAMANIYAT GIRL**, 6, Elusive Quality--Dabaweyaa (Ire), by Shareef Dancer Foal born Mar. 9, a filly by Medaglia d'Oro. Will be bred back to Hard Spun. Owned by Rabbah Bloodstock, LLC. Boarded at Hidden Brook Farm. Accomplishments: SW & GSP-Eng, SP-Tur.

**STORMY KISS (ARG)**, 10, Bernstein-Shy Besada (Arg), by Shy Tom Foal born Mar. 9, a colt by Tapit. Will be bred back to Broken Vow. Owned by Mr. & Mrs. Roy Jackson. Boarded at Mill Ridge. Accomplishments: G1SW-Arg & GSW-US, \$247,952-US.

**TROPHY COLLECTOR**, 6, Strong Hope--Silent Greeting, by Secret Hello Foal born Mar. 9, a filly by Malibu Moon. Will be bred back to Mineshaft. Owned by and boarded at Lazy Lane Farms, LLC. Accomplishments: SW & GSP, \$129,350.

**LENTIL**, 13, Alphabet Soup--Black Tie Diamond, by Black Tie Affair (Ire) Foal born Mar. 10, a filly by Exchange Rate. Will be bred back to Discreetly Mine. Owned and boarded at Lambholm South. Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$242,788.