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ANIMAL KINGDOM DEPARTS FOR WORLD CUP

A little more than 24 hours after turning in his final American breeze ahead of the G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 30, **Animal Kingdom** (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) departed his stall at Palm Meadows Training Center and was scheduled to arrive in Dubai Wednesday, five years to the day that he was foaled. The striking chestnut worked five-eighths of a mile on the turf Monday morning in 1:01 3/5 ([video](#)), the best of 30 moves at the distance, and trainer Graham Motion pronounced his charge ready for the world's richest race.



Animal Kingdom
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"I thought it went just how we asked him to do it," Motion commented. "We planned on giving him the same kind of work as we did at Keeneland before he left for the Breeders' Cup. This work is a little further out, so we wanted a strong work and wanted him to do something sensible. I think that's just what we got."

It was just a little more than a year ago that plans to contest the 2012 World Cup were aborted due to injury. The ever-pragmatic Motion is relieved that this day has arrived.

"I really haven't allowed myself to get excited," Motion admitted. "Really, ever since we decided to point for the Breeders' Cup, things have gone smoothly. He's worked when we wanted, ran when he wanted. Now I just want him to get there, and once he gets over there, I'll start getting excited."



Animal Kingdom lies empty following his departure for Dubai
instagram.com/G Motion

Animal Kingdom won the 2011 GIII Spiral S. over the Turfway Polytrack en route to his Kentucky Derby victory, and Motion expects that the Team Valor runner will adapt to the Meydan Tapeta.

"I'll always have some concerns, because I'm a horse trainer and that's the way I am," the conditioner stated. Honestly it was more of a surprise that he handled the dirt at Churchill, and

I'd be surprised if he didn't handle it in Dubai. He's got turf breeding, and Gio Ponti went over there and ran well twice."

Motion, who leaves for Dubai this Sunday, said Animal Kingdom would gallop over the weekend and will be turned out daily while in quarantine. He added that he might let Animal Kingdom stretch his legs and do "something with him on Tuesday, a little blowout, maybe."

ALL-AGED NEXT FOR ALL TOO HARD

All Too Hard (Aus) (Casino Prince {Aus}), the half-brother to 13-time Group 1 winner Black Caviar (Aus) (Bel Esprit {Aus}), will make his next start in the G1 All-Aged S. at Randwick Apr. 27, it was announced yesterday. The 3-year-old, winner of the G1 C. F. Orr S. and G1 Futurity S. in two starts this preparation, was scratched from the G1 Australian Guineas the morning of that Mar. 2 event after spiking a fever and has maintained a low profile since. Plans call for All Too Hard to resume training this week, and he is likely to trial at Flemington



All Too Hard
Getty Images

before being transferred to continue his training in Sydney. "He has got plenty of time to be right. If he is ready then he will run in it and if he is not he won't," co-trainer John Hawkes told AAP. "But at this stage that is where he is heading." Also discussed at a Tuesday meeting with the colt's owners was the option of a start in the G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot this June. "If [Vinery] are happy to go and he is 100%, then we'll go, but we'll get the All-Aged over with first and then take next step," Hawkes told AAP. The All-Aged S. could be one for the ages, as it has been rumored to attract crack mare **More Joyous (NZ)** (More Than Ready), Triple Crown winner **Pierro (Aus)** (Lonhro {Aus}) and, possibly, Black Caviar.

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Uncaptured Returns in Spiral

John Oxley's Uncaptured (Lion Heart), a two-time graded stakes winner at two, kicks off his sophomore campaign in Saturday's GIII Spiral S. at Turfway Park.



Uncaptured
Reed Palmer

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With a degree in chemical engineering, Jeff Greenhill could be the most unlikely trainer of a Kentucky Derby contender, but the Alabama native is following his passion as he saddles Mac the Man (El Corredor) in the Spiral.

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Titletown Five to New Orleans

Paul Hornung reported yesterday his Titletown Five (Tiznow), from the loaded D. Wayne Lukas barn, will skip Sunday's GIII Sunland Park Derby and be rerouted to the Mar. 30 GII Louisiana Derby at Fair Grounds.

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Bill Oppenheim

Bill Oppenheim looks at Darley's third-crop superfecta, with Discreet Cat currently atop the standings on the TDN's 2013 Third-Crop Year-To-Date Sire List.

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UNCAPTURED RETURNS IN SPIRAL

John Oxley's multiple graded stakes winner **Uncaptured** (Lion Heart) will look to kick off his sophomore campaign in Saturday's GIII Horseshoe Casino Cincinnati Spiral S. A winner of six of seven career starts, the dark bay colt ended 2012 with wins in the Oct. 28 GIII Iroquois S. and Nov. 24 GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. He has been sidelined by a pair of abscesses in his feet.



Uncaptured
 Reed Palmer

"We hoped to have had a race by now," admitted trainer Mark Casse.

"I had him training at Palm Meadows on the dirt. The main track at Ocala is all-weather, so we moved him up there, so it would be easier on his feet. He's been training on the synthetic for the last couple of months, so the Spiral seemed the best place to bring him back."

"He's already won twice at Churchill on the dirt, so we know he likes it," Casse added.

Uncaptured opened his career with three straight wins, including two stakes victories, over Woodbine's Polytrack last summer. He suffered his first loss when fifth in the Oct. 7 GIII Grey S., but rebounded with his back-to-back graded wins at Churchill. Despite his four wins over the synthetics, Casse said, "I'm not so sure he's as good on the synthetic as he is on dirt."

Uncaptured is expected to ship from Florida to Kentucky today.

McPeek Hopes to Double His Fun at Turfway...

Trainer Ken McPeek is no stranger to success on racing's biggest stages, and Saturday he will gauge the chances of two of his Classic contenders in Turfway's 3-year-old features: the GIII Fathead Bourbonette Oaks, and the GIII Horseshoe Cincinnati Spiral S.



Pure Fun
 Benoit

There is no doubting the ability of **Pure Fun** (Pure Prize), who McPeek will saddle for the Bourbonette Oaks. The chestnut filly recorded three victories last season, culminating with a win in the GI Hollywood Starlet S. at Betfair Hollywood Park Dec. 8. Owned by McPeek's wife, Susan's Magdalena Racing, Pure Fun will be making her sophomore debut in the eight-furlong contest. **Cont. p4**

✓ **Champion Sire...**

for the third time in four years in 2012.

✓ **Sire of Sires...**

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✓ **Broodmare Sire...**

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top mares already in foal include **Blind Luck** (champion & 6 x G1 wnr), **Awesome Maria** (G1 wnr), **Bit of Whimsy** (G1 wnr) and **Spunoutacontrol** (dam of Giant's Causeway's G2 wnr **Fed Biz**), while **Tarfah**, the dam of **Camelot** (2,000 Guineas-G1, Epsom Derby-G1 & Irish Derby-G1 in 2012), was covered on March 11th.



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McPeek Looks to Double Up at Turfway (cont. from p3)

Pure Fun has recently fired a pair of bullets at Gulfstream, going five furlongs in :58.47 Mar. 8, and the same distance in 1:00.85 Mar. 16.

"We wanted a relatively easy spot for her on the comeback," McPeek explained. "I wish the [GII] Gulfstream Park Oaks [Mar. 30] was one week earlier; we would have run there. But we're not in the [GI Kentucky] Oaks yet, with points, so I think we have to run twice to ensure we're going to get in. If she were to win this race, and we can't assume anything, then no problem. She's never run on Lasix, and I think horses can run back quicker because the dehydration factor is eliminated. She's an extremely good filly. Her last two starts took her to the next level, and hopefully she continues that."

McPeek will saddle a lesser-known 3-year-old, **Taken By the Storm** (Stormy Atlantic), in the program's featured Spiral S. The Chasing Dreams Racing colorbearer crossed the wire first in a Polytrack maiden in his second start at Keeneland Oct. 7, but was disqualified from that win for interference. He bounced back three weeks later to land in the Keeneland winner's circle--and this time he kept the victory--in a 1 1/8-mile turf race. The bay enters the Spiral off a victory over the Gulfstream turf Mar. 9. Despite the jump in class, McPeek says his charge "deserves a chance."

Looking ahead to the prospect of the GI Kentucky Derby, McPeek noted that Taken By the Storm's two poor efforts on dirt to date--his career bow at Saratoga in August and a Gulfstream allowance Feb. 16--have come with legitimate excuses.

"The first race is a bit of a throw out," McPeek explained. "I can't tell you I felt like he was even 80% for the race, but we needed to get him going. He just got tired the last part of it, so I don't think that's a great measure of his ability. The race coming back at Gulfstream was similar. He'd been off a long time, he needed the race, and I think the track was really heavy that day. There's a lot that plays into it, but we don't have those excuses coming into this weekend, so we'll get a good measure on how good he is against top quality."

Greenhill Follows Dreams; Lands on Derby Trail...

As an Alabama native with a degree in chemical engineering, Jeff Greenhill may not have been the most obvious candidate to train a GI Kentucky Derby contender. But as a lifelong lover of horses, Greenhill couldn't help but follow his dreams, and that path has led him to Saturday's GIII Horseshoe Cincinnati Spiral S. at Turfway Park, where he will saddle back-to-back stakes winner **Mac The Man** (El Corredor) for the popular Derby prep race.

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✓ **A Kentucky Derby contender...**

WAR ACADEMY won an allowance at Santa Anita by an eased-down 3½ lengths recording a Beyer Figure of 98 and will now be pointed at the **G1 Kentucky Derby**.

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Trainer Bob Baffert



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Greenhill Follows Dreams (cont. from p4)

Like many successful horsemen, Greenhill got his start with Quarter Horses, which he owned while working for the Tennessee Valley Authorities on project management. He said he soon realized he could not make a living with that breed, however, and got involved with pinhooking Thoroughbreds.

"I started making trips to Keeneland and buying weanlings, and re-selling them there as yearlings," he explained. "We had some luck doing that, but it still wasn't getting up every morning and working with horses."

In April 1994, at the age of 38, Greenhill decided to follow his dreams, taking an early retirement package from the TVA and moving to Kentucky to work on the racetrack. His first job was as a hotwalker for D. Wayne Lukas. After spending time as a groom for trainers Donnie Habeeb and Pete Vestal, Greenhill took out his trainer's license in 1996. He has been a top five trainer at Turfway Park and Keeneland, trained the winners of more than \$4-million, but never has he conditioned a GI Kentucky Derby contender.

That changed when Greenhill signed the ticket for \$23,000 on an El Corredor colt at Keeneland in 2011. Now owned by his wife, Sherri, Mac the Man was an 8 1/4-length maiden winner in his second start at Presque Isle Downs Aug. 30. His worst effort to date came when he finished seventh in a Keeneland allowance Oct. 13, a race he exited with a foot bruise. He enters the Spiral on a three-race win streak over the Turfway Polytrack, including the Turfway Prevue S. going 6 1/2 furlongs Jan. 5, and the 96ROCK S. over a mile Feb. 2.

"His races at Turfway have been visually impressive; he's laid down some pretty impressive speed figures," Greenhill noted. "The question is what he has beaten, and the other thing is he won two 6 1/2-furlong races without being hit, then [jockey] Norberto [Arroyo] said he essentially tapped him on the shoulder twice in the long race to remind him he was going two turns. So what I would say about the Turfway Park races are they looked good, he came out of them great, not really spent, and he bounced around the shedrow the next day."

Greenhill said that while he expects his colt to handle the increased 1 1/8-mile distance, "it's an experiment, and sometimes experiments end in failure, so we're hoping this one doesn't." Should Mac the Man satisfy his trainer Saturday, there is a chance he could show up on dirt before the first Saturday in May.

"A lot hinges on Saturday," Greenhill noted. "If we did not find a dirt race because of the proximity to the Derby, then I would certainly van him to Churchill Downs a couple times and breeze him over the surface and see how he handled it. I just try to get my horse right and hope he runs his race on the day."

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Triple Threats

MERIT MAN ADDED TO FLORIDA DERBY

Merit Man (With Distinction) was added to the list of contenders for the Mar. 30 GI Besilu Stables Florida Derby after working seven furlongs at Gulfstream Park Monday in 1:28.98. "He couldn't blow out a match when he came back to the barn this morning, I thought it was a great work for him," trainer Bob Hess, Jr. told *Daily Racing Form*. "Although ultimately I believe he'll end up being a better sprinter, there are several factors that went into the decision to try the Florida Derby. First of all, I think sometimes horses run their best first time routing. The race is coming up light on numbers, the pot is big, and it just looks like a good time to take a shot for that kind of money." Second as the favorite in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sprint last November, Merit Man captured the Jan. 1 Spectacular Bid S. before a fourth-place effort in the Feb. 2 GII Hutcheson S.

Java's War to Blue Grass...

Charles Fipke homebred **Java's War** (War Pass), a smart second to Verrazano (More Than Ready) in the GII Tampa Bay Derby Mar. 9, will target the GI Blue Grass S. at Keeneland Apr. 13, according to trainer Ken McPeek. The 3-year-old had been mentioned as a potential candidate for the G2 UAE Derby at Meydan Mar. 30, but will not make the trip overseas.

"He is definite for the Blue Grass," McPeek confirmed. "Mr. Fipke and I laid out the options the other night. We felt like the UAE Derby would be a really good spot for him, but it was probably more financial reasons than anything. He was third in the [GI] Breeders' Futurity last fall, so those were probably the two biggest reasons. He handled [the Keeneland Polytrack] well, and I expect him to handle it again."

Despite the promising run on dirt last time, McPeek said Java's War may prefer synthetic surfaces or turf.

"His pedigree on the female side is pretty strict grass," he noted. "I do think he's probably better on that in the long run, but with the Derby prep on the synthetic, it's a good option for us."

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Vyjack (Into Mischief)	50
Orb (Malibu Moon)	50
Verrazano (More Than Ready)	50
Hear the Ghost (Ghostzapper)	50
Oxbow (Awesome Again)	36
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Java's War (War Pass)	22

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Titletown Five to Louisiana Derby...

Paul Hornung, a retired Hall of Fame football player and co-owner of GI Kentucky Derby contender **Titletown Five** (Tiznow), announced yesterday that his 3-year-old would forego this weekend's GIII Sunland Derby in favor of the GII Louisiana Derby at Fair Grounds Mar. 30.

"We decided we had a much better situation down in New Orleans," Hornung explained. "[Trainer D. Wayne Lukas] called me yesterday and he figured it would be a shorter trip for the horse, he'd get another week of work, and Wayne thought he'd have a better shot down there. And it's 100 points for the Kentucky Derby, so we thought we'd take a shot."

For Hornung, a shot at owning a Kentucky Derby participant would mark the fulfillment of a lifelong dream, and what he said would be, "the greatest thrill of my life." That is high praise coming from someone who has achieved greatness in sport, but as a Louisville native, Hornung has been breathing the Kentucky Derby all his life. In fact, he said, he has attended the Run for the Roses every year of his life, bar 1963, when he was out of football on suspension and Green Bay Packers coach Vince Lombardi asked him to stay away from the racetrack. Hornung's first job as a teen was as an usher at Churchill Downs on Derby Day at the age of the 13.

"This is a tremendous sporting event, and you could well imagine, this would be the greatest day of my life if I had the opportunity to walk out in that winner's circle and thank the people of my hometown," he said. "Just imagine, a hometown boy winning the Kentucky Derby."

Hornung has dabbled in racehorse ownership in the past, but Titletown Five has been his best runner to date. The bay colt was selected by Lukas for \$250,000 at Keeneland September, with the trainer retaining a 25% interest in the dark bay. The other shares are held by Hornung's sporting friends, including fellow Packer Willie Davis.

It took Titletown Five four starts to get to the winner's circle, but when he did he made a statement, going wire-to-wire at Churchill to win by nine lengths. Hornung sees that win as a key factor that could lead to success on the first Saturday in May.

"When I watched this horse work out at Churchill Downs, when he hits the turn, he would really move it on, and he showed us early on that he loves Churchill Downs. Right away Wayne said, 'I think we've got something here we ought to really think about.' I really believe that if we get to [the Derby], we're going to have an advantage, because our horse loves the track."

Titletown Five enters the Louisiana Derby off a second place finish in the Gazebo S. at Oaklawn Mar. 13, a race that Hornung said didn't bring out the best in his colt.

“He is a nice horse ...we have Group ambitions.”
 — Jean-Claude Rouget, trainer

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"He didn't like the track at Oaklawn last week, and he jumped out once turning for home, and I think that may have cost him the race," he noted. "Wayne thinks he'll like the racetrack better [at Fair Grounds]. We're going to be in the top four horses in the Louisiana Derby, and if we are, we've got an opportunity."

The Louisiana Derby will undoubtedly be a stiff test for Titletown Five, as his first voyage beyond seven furlongs, but Hornung has the utmost confidence in his charge.

"I think he's really ready," he said.

Road to the Kentucky Derby Championship Series - 1st Leg	
<i>points: 50-20-10-5</i>	
Date	Race-Track
Mar. 23	GIII Spiral S.-TP
Mar. 24	GIII Sunland Derby-SUN
Road to the Kentucky Derby Championship Series - 2nd Leg	
<i>points: 100-40-20-10</i>	
Mar. 30	GI Florida Derby-GP G2 UAE Derby-MEY GII Louisiana Derby-FG
Apr. 6	GI Wood Memorial S.-AQU GI Santa Anita Derby-SA
Apr. 13	GI Arkansas Derby-OP GI Blue Grass S.-KEE

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Future Bright for OTI New Purchase...

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Kitten On the Run *luacumani.com*

training duties for OTI's newest acquisition **Kitten On the Run** (Kitten's Joy). Bred and owned by Ken and Sarah Ramsey and trained for the couple in Italy by Gianluca Bietolini, the son of Personal Odyssey (Lemon Drop Kid) was one of the top juveniles in the country in 2012,

with a maiden and two conditions wins at Rome prior to validating 3-2 favoritism in the 1500-meter Listed Criterium di Pisa Dec. 9, overcoming traffic en route to an ultimately comfortable two-length victory ([video](#)).

Andy Smith, who has previously handled bloodstock for owners Joe Allen and Gary Tanaka, assisted in the purchase and believes that the colt has a bright future. "I think he most certainly looks like he wants to go further," Smith commented. "Like a lot of the Kitten's Joys, he seems to like to be held up and come with a run. I think for a 2-year-old to get a mile like he did, he should get further." Kitten On the Run will be campaigned in Europe to begin with, but should be a candidate for Australian racing later in his career. "I do believe he will stay here for most of the year depending how he gets on," Smith confirmed. "But he should be a good fit for Australia down the line."

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Mar. 23	GII Pan American S.	GP
	GIII Excelsior S.	AQU
	GIII Spiral S.	TP
	GIII Bourbonette Oaks	TP
	GIII Tokyo City Cup	SA
Mar. 24	GII Santa Ana S.	SA
	GIII Sunland Derby	SUN
Mar. 31	GI Florida Derby	GP
	GII Louisiana Derby	FG
	GII Gulfstream Oaks	GP
	GII Fair Grounds Oaks	FG
	GII New Orleans H.	FG
	GII Mervin H. Muniz Jr. Memorial H.	FG
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GIII Rampart S.	GP	
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THIRD-CROP SUPERFECTA

When Darley spent an estimated \$200-million acquiring stallion prospects for the 2008 season (first crop 2009), this is the result they were after: if you click [here](#) to view the TDN 2013 Third-Crop Year-to-Date Sire List, the top four names are all horses Darley scooped up, mostly in its 2007 stallion prospect spending spree. The current third-crop leader was an earlier acquisition: they bought **Discreet Cat** (Forestry) privately after he broke his maiden at Saratoga as a



Discreet Dancer *A Coglianese*

2-year-old in 2005 and sent him to winter in Dubai. He won both his starts there, including the G2 UAE Derby (also famous for being the only race Invasor ever lost; he was only fourth that day), but didn't run again until Saratoga in late August. He won an allowance by 11 lengths (Beyer 112), the GII Jerome

H. (at 1-20) by 10 1/4 lengths (Beyer 115) and the GI Cigar Mile (at 1-4), in 1:32:2/5 (Beyer 116). His undefeated streak came to an end when he was a tailed-off last behind Invasor, as the virtual co-favorite, in the 2007 G1 Dubai World Cup, and, though he made it back to the races at the end of the season again in the U.S., he only managed to run third in his final two starts, the GI Vosburgh S., and the then-ungraded Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. He had 20 winners but no black-type winners with his first crop in 2011, but worked his way up to fifth on the 2012 year-end second-crop sire list. He's had 25 winners already this year, the most of any third-crop sire, and five black-type horses, including the GII Gulfstream Park H. winner Discreet Dancer.

Hard Spun has been about everybody's 'most likely to succeed' all along, and he is repaying that faith. By the incomparable Danzig, Hard Spun won the GI King's Bishop over seven furlongs when he was dropped down in distance following a runner-up effort to **Any Given Saturday** (see below) in the GI Haskell Invitational over a mile and an eighth. He was a front-running second to Street Sense in the 2007 GI Kentucky Derby, and to Curlin in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, and a front-running third to Curlin and Street Sense in the GI Preakness. He narrowly missed being leading freshman sire in 2011, behind Coolmore's **Scat Daddy** (Johannesburg), was the leading second-crop sire over Scat Daddy last year, and is second on the third-crop list so far this year. He is the leading third-crop sire by cumulative earnings (click [here](#)), by about \$300,000 over Scat Daddy. **Cont. p10**

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Hard Spun has sired 17 black-type winners and 30 black-type horses, leading third-crop sire in both categories, though Scat Daddy leads Hard Spun, seven to six, in number of graded/group winners.

Third on the 2013 third-crop sire list so far is **Street Sense**, from Street Cry's first crop (along with Zenyatta), and the first horse to win the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile (in a then-record Beyer 108, since equaled by Uncle Mo) and follow up in the next year's GI Kentucky Derby for the legendary Carl Nafzger, who previously won the Derby with Unbridled.



Abby K *Leslie Martin*

Aubby K's win in the GI Inside Information S. at Gulfstream over the weekend was Street Sense's second graded stakes-winning filly this year. He's standing in Japan in 2013, but one of the great rules of stallion analysis is "never write them off until their first 4-year-olds have run" (one reason being their second crop of 3-year-olds is also running), and if Street Sense roars back this year, Darley could easily 'do a Coolmore' and bring him back after spending a year in Japan. If the rest of the year goes like the first 2 1/2 months have gone for him, they'll have to seriously consider it.

Rounding out Darley's 2013 third-crop superfecta is 2007 GI Haskell winner Any Given Saturday. He had a stroke of bad luck when the Bob Baffert-trained Princess Arabella, who won the 2012 Sunland Park Oaks by eight lengths a year ago next weekend, broke down and had to be retired; but a good sire needs more than one good horse, After finishing a remote 25th on the 2011 freshman sire list, Any Given Saturday did rebound later in 2012: he had eight 3-year-old and four 2-year-old ABC runners last year (including three black-type winning 2-year-olds), and finished in seventh spot on the 2012 second-crop sire list. I thought it all made him a pretty righteous buy for \$7,500 this year, and after I said so in an earlier column, Charlie Boden of Darley sent me an email and said it was even better, because they were offering two for \$7,500--buy one, get one free. He has 21 winners, four black-type horses so far this year, but does still need that elusive GSW.

Number five on the 2013 third-crop hit parade is **Lawyer Ron**, who has probably the livest Derby candidate of any of these in Itsmyluckyday, who took down the colors of the previously unbeaten champion Shanghai Bobby's in the GIII Holy Bull S. They're both pointing for a rematch in next weekend's GI Besilu Stables Florida Derby, and the winner of that race is probably entitled to be considered the Derby favorite. Like Saint Liam a year--who sired one crop, including Horse of the Year Havre de Grace, but then died--Lawyer Ron was going to be a very useful sire at worst, but he died after siring his second crop, which included Itsmyluckyday. Too bad for Langfuhr, too, as the son of Danzig has been a very useful sire his entire career, but Lawyer Ron really was his very best horse. **Cont. p11**

TDN WEEKLY SALES TICKER

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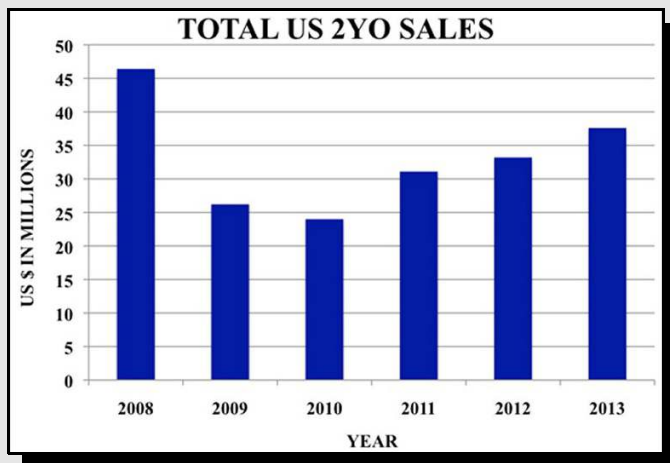
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OBS MARCH SELECT 2YO SALE

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	345	236	182	31.6%	77.1%	52.8%	\$28,871,000	\$158,632
2012	362	244	179	32.6%	73.4%	49.4%	\$24,819,000	\$138,654
2011	490	321	244	34.5%	76.0%	49.8%	\$25,563,000	\$104,766
2010	340	237	167	30.3%	70.5%	49.1%	\$17,766,000	\$106,383
2009	523	358	206	31.5%	57.5%	39.4%	\$19,971,000	\$96,947
2008	460	345	233	25.0%	67.5%	50.7%	\$33,380,000	\$143,262



TOTAL US 2YO SALES AS OF MARCH 18, 2013

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	483	328	243	32.1%	74.1%	50.3%	\$37,622,000	\$154,823
2012	511	365	256	28.6%	70.1%	50.1%	\$33,245,000	\$129,863
2011	596	393	299	34.1%	76.1%	50.2%	\$31,102,000	\$104,020
2010	475	337	235	29.1%	69.7%	49.5%	\$23,981,000	\$102,047
2009	647	439	256	31.1%	58.3%	39.6%	\$26,234,000	\$102,477
2008	651	478	306	26.6%	64.0%	47.0%	\$46,376,000	\$151,556

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



Lane's End sire **English Channel**, a grass champion by Smart Strike, ranks sixth, and follows Kitten's Joy in confirming a good North American grass champion can make a sire. Scat Daddy is currently seventh for 2013, but as noted, is a close second to Hard Spun overall in cumulative progeny earnings. He was also the leading freshman sire in 2011, and is tied with two European sires, Teofilo (Galileo) and Lawman (Invincible Spirit) as leading third-crop sires by number of graded/group stakes winners, with seven each.

Of course, the European season is barely underway yet, but **Teofilo**, the first of three European champion 2-year-olds by Galileo (the other two: New Approach and Frankel) and another Darley stallion, has had two black-type winners this year, including Amira's Prince, who won the 11-furlong GII Mac Diarmida S. at Gulfstream. He has thus edged into a narrow lead, both in 2013 and cumulatively, among a competitive group of European third-crop sires. Number two overall is Ireland's Morrinstown Lattin Stud's **Dark Angel** (Acclamation), over England's Cheveley Park Stud's **Dutch Art** (Medicean). Ballylinch's **Lawman** is in fourth spot among European third-crop sires by cumulative progeny earnings, with **Red Clubs** (Red Ransom), whose second (of three) crop of 2-year-olds ranked him third among 2012 European sires of 2-year-olds. This group of F2009 European sires also includes Coolmore's **Dylan Thomas** (Danehill), **Stormy River** (Verglas) and now **Manduro** (Monsun) in France, as well as two sires in Germany: **Soldier Hollow** (In The Wings), sire of Germany's top 3-year-old of 2012, Pastorius (whoops), but also this year of Kassiano, an €165,000 Arc sale purchase by Anthony Stroud for Sheikh Mohammed's son Sheikh Majid. Kassiano has won two handicaps at Meydan and ran second the other day in the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge, the prep for the G1 Dubai World Cup. A truly obscure third-crop sire is the German sire **Toylsome** (Cadeaux Genereux), who won the 2007 G1 Prix de la Foret as an 8-year-old, and had registered absolutely nothing on the radar screens until he had a 10-furlong 3-year-old Listed winner the other day, a colt named Kapour, at Saint-Cloud.

Second-Crop Sires...

We'll review these in detail next week, but as of this writing, the top three second-crop sires by 2013 progeny earnings are North Americans **Majestic Warrior** (A.P. Indy, Ashford/Coolmore); Spendthrift's **Into Mischief** (Harlan's Holiday); and Hill 'n' Dale's two-time GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner **Midnight Lute** (Real Quiet). Number one European sire so far, and number four cumulatively, is Darley's 2008 GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner **Raven's Pass** (Elusive Quality, Kildangan), who has two Listed winners and a third group-placed colt at Meydan this winter. Coolmore's **Duke of Marmalade** (Danehill) has suddenly woken up with his first 3-year-olds, and had two Listed winners in France last week. **Bill Oppenheim** may be contacted at bopp@erb.com (please cc TDN management at suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com). Follow him on Twitter at www.twitter.com/billoppenheim.

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BIOFUEL, 6, Stormin Fever--Ms. Cornstalk, by Indian Charlie
Foal born Jan. 30, a colt by Tapit.
Will be bred back to Proud Citizen.
Owned by Brereton C. Jones
Boarded at Airdrie Stud.
Accomplishments: Horse Of The Year, Ch. 2yo Filly & Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MGSW & MGISP of \$781,091.

LA VILLE ROUGE, 17, Carson City--La Reine Rouge, by King's Bishop
Foal born Mar. 5, a filly by Bernardini.
Will be bred back to Giant's Causeway.
Owned by Roy and Gretchen Jackson.
Boarded at Mill Ridge Farm.
Accomplishments: MGSP, \$262,594. Dam of Holy Ground (Saint Ballado), SW; Barbaro (Dynaformer), MGISW, \$2,302,200; Nicanor (Dynaformer), MSP; Lentenor (Dynaformer), SW; Margano (Dynaformer), MSP.

EASTER BUNNETTE, 15, Carson City--Toll Free, by Topsider
Foal born Mar. 8, a filly by Medaglia d'Oro.
Will be bred back to Medaglia d'Oro.
Owned by Mrs. Nancy Dillman.
Boarded at Mill Ridge.
Accomplishments: Dam of Havre De Grace (Saint Liam), Horse of the Year, Ch. Older Female, MGISW, \$2,586,175.

IN OTHER NEWS...

A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

Calder, Gulfstream set to go head-to-head for summer profits *Eddie Plesa Jr. has been at Calder Casino and Race Course since the first horses hoofprints there. When the Miami Gardens track opened in 1971, his father was among the first trainers to set up shop. Clark Spencer, The Miami Herald*

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Yesterday's Results:
5th-PRX, \$49,100, Msw, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:19, sy.
FREERIDE (c, 3, Master Command--A Real Lady {MSP}, by Real Quiet) made his career debut going a mile on the lawn at Gulfstream Feb. 14, where he finished sixth, beaten 4 3/4-lengths. Bet down to 4-5 for this dirt bow, the favorite pressed the early pace, grabbed the lead at the half-mile pole and was never truly challenged thereafter. Swinging wide into the lane, he pulled clear to win by 8 1/4-lengths. Sales history: \$39,000 RNA yrl '11 OBSAUG; \$15,000 yrl '11 FTKOCT; \$67,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,420. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).

O-Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC, Elkstone Group & David A Ross. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

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

- BROTHER DEREK** (Benchmark), Airdrie, \$10K, 70/10/0
5-FG, Aoc, 1mT, So Do Prayers, \$27K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
1-FG, Str, 7 1/2fT, Expand the Moment, \$32K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 5-2
- BUZZARDS BAY** (Marco Bay), 40/0/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Savin Buzzby, 5-2
- FROST GIANT** (Giant's Causeway), Empire Stud, \$5K, 57/13/2
6-AQU, Aoc, 1m, Gee Linz, 5-1
- GIGAWATT** (Wild Again), 27/1/0
5-DED, Msw, 1m, Shreveport Royale, \$2K JF2 YO 2yo, 20-1
- HEART OF THE STORM** (Storm Cat), 35/3/0
5-FG, Aoc, 1mT, Franky and Jane, 10-1
1-FG, Str, 7 1/2fT, Bee Bee Q, 10-1
- INTO MISCHIEF** (Harlan's Holiday), Spendthrift, \$13K, 72/12/3
1-FG, Str, 7 1/2fT, Exotic Mischief, \$10K OBS OPN 2yo, 9-5
- J BE K** (Silver Deputy), 35/11/0
1-DED, Msw, 5f, Autumn Trip, 20-1
- MAJESTIC WARRIOR** (A.P. Indy), Ashford, \$20K, 175/38/3
6-AQU, Aoc, 1m, Physical Delivery, \$220K OBS MAR 2yo, 5-1
- MIDNIGHT LUTE** (Real Quiet), Hill N Dale, \$20K, 195/18/2
6-GP, Ocl, 1mT, Midnight Notes, 4-1
- 4-LRL, Msw, 1m, Beyond Midnight, \$22K EAS MAY 2yo, 4-1**
- SEQUOYAH** (A.P. Indy), 17/3/0
5-DED, Msw, 1m, A P Again, 12-1
- SHOWING UP** (Strategic Mission), Adena Springs Fl, \$8K, 88/5/0
7-TAM, Aoc, 1 1/16mT, Fessed Up, 6-1

- SIGHTSEEING** (Pulpit), Richland Hills, \$8K, 80/14/1
8-GP, Aoc, 5fT, Holy Command, 12-1
- STREET HERO** (Street Cry {Ire}), Vinery, \$5K, 78/14/1
7-FG, Aoc, 1mT, Anyriderill Do, \$19K RNA FTK OCT yrl, 7-2
- TAPAZOZ** (Desert Warrior), 9/1/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Go Doctor O Go, 15-1

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PRIX ALTIPAN-Listed, €52,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-19, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1 ;51.50, vhy.

1--**CELEBRISSE (IRE)**, 127, g, 8, [Peintre Celebre](#)--Ring Beaune, by Bering (GB). O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Freddy Head; J-Olivier Peslier; €26,000. Lifetime Record: 27 starts, 7 wins, 14 places, €237,075. *3/4 to Special Ring (Nureyev), MGISW-US, MSW & GSP-Fr, \$915,279.

2--**Zack Hope (GB)**, 123, g, 5, Araafa (Ire)--Afaf (Fr), by Spectrum (Ire). (€44,000 2yo '10 ARQFEB). O-Alain Cherifi & Nicolas Caullery; B-Zakaria Hakam; T-Nicolas Caullery; €10,400.

3--**Prince d'Alienor (Ire)**, 123, h, 5, Verglas (Ire)--Vassiana (Fr), by Anabaa. (50,000gns wnlg '08 TATDEC; €50,000 yrl '09 ARQ AUG; 58,000gns RNA 2yo '10 TATAPR; €27,000 HIT '10 ARQJUL; €85,000 RNA HIT '11 ARQARC). O-Ecurie La Boetie; B-Celbridge Estates Ltd; T-Xavier Nakkachdji; €7,800.

Margins: 1HF, 1, SNK. Odds: 3.60, 7.70, 3.60.

Also Ran: Hippolyte (Fr), My Stone (Fr), Singapore Joy (Fr), Ice Stone (GB), Kendam (Fr), Hurrigan Jo (Fr).

Scratched: Spoil the Fun (Fr).

Celebrissime, who hit the board in the one-mile Listed Prix du Ranelagh at Chantilly Oct. 12, annexed the Listed Prix Tantieme back over that course and distance next time Nov. 20, and went postward for this coming off a seventh in an all-weather conditions test back there once more on seasonal return Mar. 2. The homebred chestnut broke best and soon established a clear lead. Sent wide and enjoying a five-length buffer entering the stretch run, he was shaken up passing the two pole and kept on well under negligible urging to easily hold Zack Hope for a fourth black-type score.

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Asia

Tuesday's Results:

KUROFUNE SHO-Listed, ¥31,500,000, Kochi, 3-19, 4yo/up, 1400m, 1:27.30, sy.

1--**SEI CRIMSON (JPN)**, 128, h, 7, Eishin Sandy (Jpn)--Suda Reef (Jpn), by South Atlantic (Ire). O-Seiki Kaneda; B-Shimuz Stud; T-Toshiyuki Hattori; J-Yasunari Iwata; ¥21,000,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW-Jpn, 43-15-6-6.

2--**Daisho Jet (Jpn)**, 124, h, 10, Cryptic Rascal--Duty Echo (Jpn), by Magnitude (Ire). O-Yoshiaki Baba; B-M M Yamada Farm; ¥4,850,000.

3--**T Up Wild (Jpn)**, 126, h, 7, Wild Rush--Forty Ace (Jpn), by Forty Niner. O-Noboru Tanaka; B-Hitoshi Kobayashi; ¥2,700,000.

Margins: NK, 2, 1. Odds: 0.50, 10.80, 2.50.

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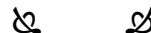
ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$50,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, sy.

LUCKYSDREAM (g, 4, Will He Shine--Satan's Satchel, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 16-6-2-3, \$147,940. O-Barbara Hopkins. B-Millennium Farms (KY). T-Ramon Preciado. * \$15,000 wlng '09 KEENOV; \$24,000 yrl '10 OBSAUG. ** 1/2 to American Tourist (Quiet American), SW, \$216,410; My Lordship (Lord Avie), MSW & MGSP, \$512,660.

8th-MNR, \$28,400, 3-18, NW4L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40, my.

VOODOO STORM (h, 5, Storm Cat--Voodoo Dancer {MGISW, \$1,427,952}, by Kingmambo) Lifetime Record: 23-4-4-2, \$170,667. O-Billy, Donna & Justin Hays. B-Green Hills Farm Inc (KY). T-Joe Woodard. * \$375,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Voodoo Swinge (Unbridled's Song), GSP, \$106,420.



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10th-SUN, \$25,600, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1\$X, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04, ft.

ANZAKI (g, 5, Anziyan--Waki Jeannie, by Avenue of Flags) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$22,638. O/B-Linda Hutchinson (NM). T-Alberto Amparan.

3rd-WRD, \$22,800, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5, ft.

KATILLAC CHARM (g, 3, Tactical Cat--Daleo's Angel, by Silver Charm) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$28,365. O/B-Horseplayers Racing Club (OK). T-Danny Pish.

7th-MNR, \$22,200, 3-18, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42 3/5, my.

FLATTER ME FIRST (m, 5, Flatter--First Mystery {SP}, by Mystery Storm) Lifetime Record: 19-4-1-4, \$45,960. O/T-Juan M Ruvalcaba. B-Bobby Persad (KY).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Winter Scout**, c, 3, **Dauids Expectation--Winter Mariah**, by Be a Prospect. WRD, 3-19, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Winterhawk Thoroughbreds LLC (OK).

+ **Adley's Okie**, g, 3, **Latent Heat--Siphon's Storm**, by Siphon (Brz). WRD, 3-19, 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-John E & Barbara R Smicklas Living Trusts (OK).

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FAIR GROUNDS

Regally Ready (More Than Ready), 5f, 1:00.40, 1/6

KEENELAND

Successful Dan (Successful Appeal), 5f, 1:02.80, 19/19

Turallure (Wando) 5f, 1:00.00, 1/19

Wise Dan (Wiseman's Ferry), 6f, 1:13.00, 1/1

OAKLAWN PARK

Titletown Five (Tiznow), 6f, 1:16.20, 1/1

PALM MEADOWS

Inglorious (Hennessy), 5fT, 1:04.21, 3/8

SANTA ANITA PARK

Macho Macho (Macho Uno), 6f, 1:11.80, 1/5

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Saint-Cloud, 13.15, €24,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:35.40, vhy.

NIENTE PAURA (IRE) (c, 3, Tot Ou Tard {Ire}--Your Wife Never {Tur} {SP-Tur}, by Palace Pageant) Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €33,100. O/B-Ecurie Kura; T-Carlos Lerner.

FRANCE, Saint-Cloud, 14.50, €24,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:28.70, vhy.

IVAN GROZNY (FR) (c, 3, Turtle Bowl {Ire}--Behnesa {Ire}, by Suave Dancer) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 2 wins, 4 places, €26,700. O-Ecurie de l'Etoile Bleue; B-Mlle Larissa Kneip; T-Daniel Rabhi. *1/2 to Behkraya (Fr) (Sendawar {Ire}), MSP-Hol.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Burgoyne, g, 3, **Officer--Married for Money**, by Not for Love. Southwell, Britain, 3-19, Mdn, 3-5yo, 1m (AWT). B-The Billabong & Fine Line Farm. *\$40,000 yrl '11 KEEJAN; 35,000gns yrl '11 TATOCT.

Commont Cents (GB), g, 4, **Pivotal (GB)--Small Change (Ire)**, by Danzig. Wolverhampton, Britain, 3-19, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 216yds (AWT). B-Darley. *3,000gns HIT '11 TATHIT.



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