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TRICKY POULICHES DRAW FOR ERVEDYA

His Highness The Aga Khan's **Ervedya (Fr)** (Siyouni {Fr}) will have to overcome a wide draw in 12 as she bids to justify favoritism for Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches at Longchamp. Last seen winning the G3 Prix Imprudence over seven furlongs at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 2, the Jean-Claude Rouget-trained homebred returns to the course and distance over which she chased home Found (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac on Arc day. "She's a very speedy filly who seems to stay a mile comfortably, so we are really looking forward to it," racing manager Georges Rimaud commented.



Ervedya
Scoop Dyga

Pouliches cont. p12

EIGHTEEN GATHER FOR POULAINS TEST

There were no notable withdrawals from Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Longchamp, which attracted its usual large field as the draw was made Friday. **Make Believe (GB)** (Makfi {GB}) and **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) received favorable berths in four and seven respectively, with the other main protagonists **Karar (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and **Muhaarar (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}) done less favors in 13 and 18. The former, who sports the Al Shaqab silks and was supplemented this week, came off a six-length debut score against a smart yardstick at Saint-Cloud Mar. 19 to run second to the subsequent G1 2000 Guineas runner-up Territories (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) in the course-and-distance prep, the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau Apr. 12. **Poulains cont. p13**



Highland Reel
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JACKSONS LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW CHAPTER IN PREAKNESS

Edited Press Release from the Maryland Jockey Club

Nine years after the Barbaro (Dynaformer) heartbreak, Gretchen and Roy Jackson are returning to Pimlico for the 140th G1 Preakness S. May 16 with another homebred colt--**Divining Rod** (Tapit)--who will run in the colors of their Lael Stables. Divining Rod, winner of the GIII Coolmore Lexington S. at Keeneland Apr. 11, will be the 27th Lael starter at Pimlico Race Course and first Preakness contender since Barbaro suffered catastrophic leg injuries early in the running of the middle jewel of the Triple Crown May 20, 2006.

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AN INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

with James Willoughby

WHIP USE IN THOROUGHBRED RACING

James Willoughby gives his reaction to Victor Espinoza's ride on American Pharoah from the other side of the Atlantic

The minimum requirement for responsible use of the whip is that the horse be given time to respond. Victor Espinoza's actions in the Kentucky Derby suggest he



was not mindful of this internationally accepted principle, detailed [here](#) and [here](#).

Espinoza became the latest rider around the world to jeopardize an important facet of the sport's ethical defence when he hit American Pharaoh approximately 30 times at Churchill Downs. The number of strokes was

arguably not the most egregious aspect; rather, it was the overwhelming impression that Espinoza was working on the horse--not with him.

Thoroughbred racing would be denatured if the whip were ever banned. Horses are not cognisant of the ambitions of a race, but it is part of their eternal appeal that they are mostly complicit with them. **Cont. p3**

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Familiar Foes Go Back to 'War'



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Phipps Stable's Imagining (Giant's Causeway) and West Point Thoroughbreds' Twilight Eclipse (Purim) have gotten to know one another pretty well over time and the two grizzled veterans will lock horns once again in Saturday's GI Man O' War S. over 11 furlongs of the Belmont Park turf course. That duo will be joined in the starting gate by one of the feel-good stories of 2014, GI Arlington Million hero Hardest Core (Hard Spun), who makes his first appearance since finishing down the field in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf at Santa Anita a little more than six months ago.

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Sophomore Quintet for the Peter Pan

Belmont Park also plays host to the GII Peter Pan S., the local prep race for the GI Belmont S. in four weeks' time, and while the connections of just five 3-year-olds have seen fit to enter, it is a quality-over-quantity situation. Favored on the morning line at odds of 9-5 is Starlight Racing's Two Weeks Off, a son of former Starlight runner Harlan's Holiday, but waiting in the wings is his stablemate Madefromlucky (Lookin at Lucky). Perry Lefko has a feature about the latter's co-owner Mac Nichol.

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Allen Homebred 'Dispatches' Rivals

War Dispatch (War Front) had made a half-dozen appearances heading into Friday's G3 Prix de Guiche at Chantilly, each over all-weather tracks and five of which resulted in victory. He maintained the winning thread in his first turf try, earning a berth in the G1 Prix du Jockey Club May 31.

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TODAY'S GRADED STAKES

EDT	Race	Click for	TV
11:05a	Chartwell Fillies' S.-G3, LNG	(Brisnet.com PPs)	HR/TVG
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2:53p	Ruffian S.-GII, BEL	(Brisnet.com PPs)	HR/TVG
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5:28p	Man o' War S.-GI, BEL	(Brisnet.com PPs)	HR/TVG
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James Willoughby cont.

The sport depends on this because a horse's will to win is at least as important to the essence of competition as its natural ability to run.

If the sport isn't particularly careful, use of the whip may be demonised and its important role forever misapprehended.

This isn't a problem specific to U.S. racing. In thrall to the ambition of winning, jockeys in many countries and jurisdictions have been guilty of injudicious use of the whip over the years.

Nobody can ever forget Frankie Dettori's absurd barrage in the 1998 GI Breeders' Cup Classic which caused Swain to hang across the track and forfeit victory. On that occasion, many U.S. writers rightly took Dettori to task. Are we to understand from the muted response to this incident that the end justifies the means with American Pharoah?

And here in Britain, even A.P. McCoy, the recently retired jumps jockey proclaimed as the best ever, [was once banned](#) for striking Deano's Beano "approximately 50 times" in a vain attempt to get the notoriously lazy hurdler to jump off for a race at Cheltenham which was nationally televised.

Gradually, there has been an awakening among rules-makers globally, usually provoked by high-profile cases, that the sport must be proactive in aligning its ethics more with those of the world which surrounds it. And, when the rest of the world queries any of its practices, [it should be able to stand up for what it does with intelligence](#).

It is no longer going to wash to say 'this is the way it has always been done' or 'we know what is best.' Just like every other pursuit in the world, racing must have a robust, well-considered defense for its practices which can remain true to racing tradition without being hidebound by it.

Indeed, whatever the local values held about the sport, surely nobody would stand up for hitting a horse without giving it time to respond.

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American Pharoah (far left) heads for home in the Kentucky Derby
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James Willoughby cont.

The other jockeys in the Kentucky Derby didn't flail away at their mounts like Espinoza. The brilliant Gary Stevens got everything out of runner-up Firing Line while his mount responded gamely; the highly impressive Joel Rosario produced a tremendous run on fourth-placed Frosted which showcased man and horse working as one. Neither rider was excessive; neither rider conducted a one-sided communication but a dialogue through action and reaction which elevated man and horse. Stevens, to his credit, has worked with the California stewards to draw up whip rules motivated by the response of the horse which will be enforced from July 1. This is something of which racing in the U.S. should be proud, and which should be adopted in every U.S. state. It was disappointing to read that the chief steward of Churchill Downs said: "We watched [the Derby] many, many times before making it official and [Espinoza's use of the whip] wasn't anything that got our attention."

Even though whip rules in Britain are more stringent than in the U.S., especially since their 2012 revision, the issue of whip use is on the national political radar. A motion tabled in January was signed by 66 MPs to ban jockeys using the whip to "improve their chances of winning." Even more recently, new scientific research in Australia has suggested that a racehorse's pain receptors may be more sensitive than previously supposed. There is some suspicion of the independence of the authorship as regards pressure groups, but the point remains that this is an era in which old values can be re-examined in the light of new evidence, and it behooves racing wherever it takes place to have an intelligent response to potential criticism.

Without the whip, racing would be denied some of its most intense moments. It's hard to believe that its proper, measured application with modern, air-cushioned whips is traumatic for racehorses, especially within the context of the adrenalin-rush of competition, despite the conclusions of the Australian report. However, responding to Espinoza's use of the whip as if it represents nothing potentially detrimental to the sport's reputation is dubious, because he did not give American Pharoah time to respond. Even if you believe in the rider's good intentions, it is time to establish global unanimity on this point.



FAMILIAR FACES GO TO 'WAR'

It just wouldn't be a Grade I turf marathon without the presence of Phipps Stable's **Imagining** (Giant's Causeway) and West Point Thoroughbreds's **Twilight Eclipse** (Purim), and the millionaire veterans will both line up for Saturday's GI Man o' War S. at Belmont. The former won this race 12 months ago, and was beaten just a head by

eventual champion Main Sequence (Aldebaran) in Saratoga's GI Sword Dancer S. two starts later in August. Third and seventh behind that standout in the GI Joe Hirsch Turf Classic at Belmont Sept. 27 and GI Breeders' Cup Turf at Santa Anita Nov. 1, respectively,



Imagining
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he kicked off his 7-year-old season with a fairly close eighth in the GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. Feb. 7. The Shug McGaughey pupil returned to winning ways last time in Gulfstream's Mar. 28 GII Pan American S.-- Twilight Eclipse was third. "His two races this winter were both good," said McGaughey. "In [the Gulfstream Park Turf] he didn't break good and got too far out of it, and when he made his run he kind of got blocked and was only beat a couple lengths. I thought his race in the Pan Am was as good a race as he can run."

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Man O' War S. cont.

Twilight Eclipse last visited the winner's circle after Gulfstream's GII Mac Diarmida S. last February, but checked in 12th after testing very deep waters in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic in March. He was fourth in the two-mile Belmont Gold Cup June 6, but hasn't been off the board in six subsequent tries--the first five of which came against Main Sequence. The Tom Albertrani trainee was second by a neck in the GI United Nations S. at Monmouth in July, third in the aforementioned Sword Dancer, second in the Joe Hirsch and third in the BC Turf. He was second yet again to Main Sequence in an attempt at defending his Mac Diarmida title Feb. 21 before his close third in the Pan American.

Andrew Bentley Stables's GI Arlington Million upsetter **Hardest Core** (Hard Spun) adds some intrigue as he makes his first start since finishing eighth in the BC Turf. "We were all surprised when he won the Arlington Million," said conditioner Edward Graham. "We knew he was doing well, but winning a Grade I was surprising. The Breeders' Cup didn't set up for him. He was on the outside and didn't get a chance to get covered up; we knew right away he wasn't going to win." The trainer added, "He seems good [right now]; he's been in training since January and is training well. We thought it would be good to start him off in the Man o' War since it's close to home [at Fair Hill], and then we can go from there."

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Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 5:28 p.m. EDT

MAN O' WAR S.-GI, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Imagining	Giant's Causeway	Ortiz Jr	McGghy	9-5
2	Hyper	Victory Gallop	Velazquez	Brown	10-1
3	War Dancer	War Front	Lezcano	Mott	12-1
4	Twilight Eclipse	Purim	Castellano	Albertrani	3-1
5	Comes the Dream	Lion Heart	Alvarado	Weaver	30-1
6	Hardest Core	Hard Spun	Saez	Graham	4-1
7	Dynamic Sky	Sky Mesa	Velasquez	Casse	5-1

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A VAIN QUARTET

Thursday's scratching of Spendthrift Farm's Beholder (Henny Hughes) has deprived Saturday's GI Vanity S. of a good deal of it intrigue, and it should leave Cal-bred **Warren's Veneda** (Affirmative) as a prohibitively strong favorite for a second consecutive Grade I victory and fourth win overall. Winner of the 2013 Cat's Cradle H. at Hollywood Park, the homebred went on a nine-race



Warren's Veneda Benoit

skid before snapping that dubious streak with a 5 1/2-length score in the Jan. 11 Paseana S. over a wet-fast strip. An easy winner of the GII Santa Maria S. Feb. 11, she ran her skein to three straight with a comprehensive 7 1/4-length tally over recent GI Humana Distaff S. victress Dame Dorothy (Bernardini) in

the GI Santa Margarita S. Mar. 14. **My Sweet Addiction** (Tiznow), a daughter of 2006 Vanity runner-up Healthy Addiction (Boston Harbor), looks the best candidate to round out a very chalky exacta. Eased home last of all in the seven-furlong GII Santa Monica S. Jan. 19, the Ziebarth homebred stretched out to the mile for the first time to be third in a Feb. 20 allowance and cleared that hurdle in virtual gate-to-wire fashion in her last start Mar. 20. **Gas Total (Brz)** (Sulamani {Ire}), Group 1-placed on the turf in her native country, has some Brazilian dirt form to recommend her as well and exits a half-length success in her stateside debut on the grass Mar. 29.

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Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:30 p.m. EDT

VANITY S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Warren's Veneda	Affirmative	Baze	Lewis	6-5
2	Gas Total (Brz)	Sulamani (Ire)	Prat	Mandella	8-1
3	Beholder 	Henny Hughes	Ser	Ser	Ser
4	My Sweet Addiction	Tiznow	Smith	Jones	6-1
5	Legacy	Sightseeing	Garcia	Sadler	20-1



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North American Previews cont.

RISING STAR STEPS UP IN RUFFIAN

Sheikh Mohammed homebred **Via Strata** (Street Cry {Ire}) puts her unbeaten record on the line in Belmont's GII Ruffian S. today. A 5 3/4-length debut victress sprinting over the Big A inner Dec. 13, she had no trouble defeating winners when stretched to a mile back in Ozone Park Feb. 7. The 4-year-old earned the 'TDN Rising Star' distinction last time when she crushed Keeneland optional claimers box to wire by eight lengths Apr. 9. The daughter of MGSW Golden Velvet (Seeking the Gold) is coupled with fellow Kieran McLaughlin trainee and 'Rising Star' **Wedding Toast** (Street Sense). Last year's GIII Comely S. heroine kicked off 2015 with a win in Gulfstream's Miami Shores H. Jan. 7, but was third at 4-5 behind **House Rules** (Distorted Humor) in the GIII Rampart S. back in Hallandale Feb. 21. The 5-year-old was most recently fourth behind **Princess Violet** (Officer) in Keeneland's GI Vinery Madison S. going a furlong shorter Apr. 4.



Via Strata
Coady Photography

Barry K. Schwartz's **Princess Violet** finished a distant second to eventual champion Untapable (Tapit) in last June's GI Mother Goose S. here, and was second by a nose in Aqueduct's GIII Go For Wand H. Nov. 28. Second in the GII Barbara Fritchie H. Feb. 14, she annexed the Madison after being transferred from the ailing Mike Hushion to Linda Rice. "Mike Hushion did an amazing job bringing her along as a young filly to the level that she competes at today," said Rice. "We didn't want to run her back on short time, so we decided on the Ruffian to give her the extra rest and she's doing very well. We're very excited about the race."

Joseph Shields Jr.'s **House Rules** cruised by 9 1/4 lengths in Gulfstream's Bal Harbour H. Jan. 2 before taking the Rampart and splitting last Saturday's GI La Troienne S. three-one finishers Sheer Drama (Burning Roma) and Molly Morgan (Ghostzapper) in the GII Royal Delta S. Mar. 21. She returned to winning ways last time in Aqueduct's nine-panel GIII Top Flight H. Apr. 11--**Shayjolie** (Indian Charlie) was third.

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Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 2:53 p.m. EDT
RUFFIAN S.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Shayjolie	Indian Charlie	Velasquez	Contessa	8-1
2	House Rules	Distorted Humor	Castellano	Jerkens	5-2
3	Macha	Majestic Warrior	Franco	Rodriguez	15-1
4	Princess Violet	Officer	Ortiz	Rice	9-5
5a	Via Strata	Street Cry (Ire)	Ortiz Jr	McLaughlin	8-5
6a	Wedding Toast	Street Sense	Lezcano	McLaughlin	8-5

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LIGHTLY RACED RUNNERS CONTEST PETER PAN

A group of 3-year-olds light on experience, but with plenty of potential line up in Saturday's GII Peter Pan S., a prep for the June 6 GI Belmont S. Favored at 9-5 on the morning line is Starlight Racing's **Two Weeks Off** (Harlan's Holiday). Second on debut at the Spa Aug. 9, the \$320,000 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga yearling donned cap and gown going seven panels three weeks thereafter. He went missing for the next seven months, but romped by 6 1/2 lengths with a 104 Beyer Speed Figure in an Apr. 4 allowance contested over Keeneland's Beard Course. "The horse was training exceptionally well [for his comeback]," said Pletcher. "We were anticipating he'd run well, but that was even better than we were hoping for." Of the added ground, Pletcher said, "I don't anticipate the stretch out will be a problem. He's always trained like he'd stretch out, and being a son of Harlan's Holiday, it would make sense. It's a big step up in class and a quarter-mile further, but we like what we see so far. We hope his [race] would be good enough to consider something like the Belmont."



Two Weeks Off
Coady Photography

Pletcher also saddles Cheyenne Stables and Mac Nichol's **Madefromlucky** (Lookin At Lucky), who at one point was being considered for the GI Kentucky Derby. Cheyenne purchased a majority interest in the colt from Nichol, and he was transferred from John Mazza to Pletcher before a Gulfstream optional claiming win going this distance Feb. 4. The chestnut was a distant second behind Kentucky Derby hero American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) in Oaklawn's GII Rebel S. Mar. 14, and fourth behind him in the GI Arkansas Derby Apr. 11. **For more on Madefromlucky, see page 8.**

Frank Fletcher Racing Operations Inc.'s **Wolf Man Rocket** (Mineshaft) owned just a pair of runner-up efforts at Santa Anita when Hall of Famer Bob Baffert opted to send him to Oaklawn along with American Pharoah. The \$550,000 OBSAPR juvenile earned his diploma the hard way, overcoming a slow start and wide journey to annex the Northern Spur S. in Hot Springs Apr. 11. Conquest Stables's **Conquest Curlinate** (Curlin) came up a nose short of another Baffert trainee in Whiskey Ticket (Ghostzapper) in Hawthorne's GIII Illinois Derby Apr. 18.

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North American Previews cont.

Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 2:22 p.m. EDT

PETER PAN S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Wolf Man Rocket (K)	Mineshaft	Ortiz Jr	Baffert	2-1
2 Madefromlucky (K)	Lookin At Lucky	Castellano	Pletcher	3-1
3 Conquest Curlinate (K)	Curlin	Bridgmohan	Casse	5-1
4 Two Weeks Off (K)	Harlan's Holiday	Velazquez	Pletcher	9-5
5 Tiz Shea D (K)	Tiznow	Lezcano	Mott	12-1

SOLID FIELD ASSEMBLED FOR BEAUGAY

An intriguing field of seven lines up for today's GIII Beaugay S., led by 2013 GI Del Mar Oaks heroine **Discreet Marq** (Discreet Cat). Second in the GI Jenny Wiley S. and third in the GI Diana S. last term, the grey annexed the Ticonderoga S. for New York-breds here Oct. 18 and finished her season with a third-place run as the 3-2 chalk in Del Mar's GI Matriarch S. Nov. 30. Sent through the ring by trainer Christophe Clement on behalf of her breeder Patricia Generazio at Fasig-Tipton

November, she was picked up by Moyglare Stud Farm for \$2.4 million and kept with Clement. "Discreet Marq is training very well," said Christophe Loreil, assistant to Clement. "Obviously it's her first time back this year and it looks to be a good spot. She's coming in fresh, well, and sound with no problem. I think it's a good race back [for her]." A pair of European imports making their second North American starts are among the favorite's challengers. Juddmonte homebred **Radiator (GB)** (Dubawi {Ire}), a regally bred daughter of MGISW Heat

Haze (GB) (Green Desert), was one-for-six and stakes-placed for Sir Michael Stoute in England. She was very visually impressive in her first try for Bill Mott at Keeneland Apr. 8, scoring by two lengths over a next-out winner over yielding sod Apr. 8. Andrew Rosen's **J Wonder** (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) annexed the G3 Oaks Tree S. at Goodwood in August, but was seventh in the G3 Sceptre S. at Doncaster Sept. 11 in her last effort for Brian Meehan. The \$300,000 KEENOV weanling was a close third in a Lexington allowance--also over yielding going--Apr. 9. "We think she's a really nice filly," said McGaughey. "She had good European form, her race at Keeneland was a good race coming off that long of a layoff and I think we learned a little something about her that day. I think she's been training very well since then and we got a good strong race into her. I'm looking forward to Saturday."



Discreet Marq
Susie Raisher

Saturday, Belmont Park, post time: 4:26 p.m. EDT

BEAUGAY S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 J Wonder (K)	Ftstpsinthsnd (GB)	Castellano	McGhgy	4-1
2 Radiator (GB)	Dubawi (Ire)	Rosario	Mott	5-1
3 Recepta (K)	Speightstown	Alvarado	Toner	6-1
4 Photo Call (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Maragh	Motion	6-1
5 Caroline Thomas	Giant's Causeway	Ortiz	Tagg	12-1
6 Testa Rossi (Fr)	Dr Fong	Ortiz Jr	Brown	6-1
7 Discreet Marq	Discreet Cat	Velazquez	Clement	2-1

Saturday, Woodbine, post time: 4:41 p.m. EDT

HENDRIE S.-GIII, C\$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (AWT)

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Checkered Past	Smart Strike	Da Silva	Pierce	8-1
2 Paladin Bay	Sligo Bay (Ire)	Olguin	Ladouceur	4-1
3 Miss Mischief	Into Mischief	Campbell	Capuano	12-1
4 Unspurned (K)	Lemon Drop Kid	Garcia	Attfield	8-5
5 Disco Barbie (K)	Pure Prize	Husbands	Capuano	5-2
6 Skylander Girl	Stroll	Ramsammy	Patykewich	6-1

Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:00 p.m. EDT

AMERICAN S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Enterprising	Elusive Quality	Stevens	Proctor	12-1
2 War Academy (K)	Giant's Causeway	Nakatani	Mode	15-1
3 Winning Prize (Arg)	Pure Prize	Bejarano	Drysdale	5-2
4 Gabriel Charles (K)	Street Hero	Baze	Mullins	8-1
5 Talco (Fr)	Pivotal (GB)	Espinoza	Sadler	5-2
6 Little Jerry (K)	Candy Ride (Arg)	Pedroza	Baltas	20-1
7 Home Run Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Talamo	Hofmans	5-1
8 Bal a Bali (Brz)	Put It Back	Prat	Mandella	9-5

HARNESS OWNER BRANCHES INTO THOROUGHBREDS WITH PETER PAN

HOPEFUL By Perry Lefko

Madefromlucky (Lookin At Lucky) has lived up to his name for Mac Nichol, a Canadian-based horseman who has started to dabble seriously in the Thoroughbred game after a multitude of successes in the Standardbred industry, and he's hoping his star horse will make it to the Belmont Stakes.

The 3-year-old colt is entered in the Peter Pan S. Saturday at Belmont Park, which could be his ticket into the third leg of the Triple Crown and a possible reunion with Kentucky Derby winner American Pharoah, who has



Mac Nichol with Madefromlucky

beaten him twice so far this season. **Cont. p8**



Madefromlucky cont.

After Madefromlucky placed a distant fourth to American Pharoah in the Arkansas Derby following a second-place finish to him in the Rebel S., the plan was to point toward the GI Kentucky Derby. But when Madefromlucky didn't train well at Churchill Downs, Nichol and Everett Dobson of Cheyenne Stables, which bought a 60% interest in the colt earlier this year for a significant six-figure sum, made the decision to pass on the Run for the Roses and focus on the Belmont by prepping in the Peter Pan.

"My partner and I didn't want to go in there just because it was the Derby unless we were able to perform in there," Nichol said. "We decided if he's not 100%, he's not going to get anything anyway. It takes a lot out of those horses sometimes, and this way we stay out of the race and he's fresh.

"We're looking forward to Belmont Park. I think it'll really suit him there, too, the way they race there, plus they've got some really wide turns. It seems like he lost some ground on both of his last two races in the turns, but in the straightaway he digs back in."

Nichol is a relatively new player in the Thoroughbred game, but is well known in the Standardbred industry, having been the sole owner or partner in some horses that have won major races. He won the Little Brown Jug--harness racing's version of the Derby--in 2007 with Tell All. The horse also won the North America Cup, the richest race in harness racing, the same year. Nichol's other big wins include the 2011 Breeders Crown 3-Year-Old Filly Pace with Monkey On My Wheel; the 2005 Bluegrass Stakes and Confederation Cup with American Ideal; and the 2010 Metro Pace with Mystician.

The 61-year-old native of Newfoundland started out as a horse owner claiming a cheap Thoroughbred while living in Alberta, where he lived for 30 years and worked in the construction business. He later switched to claiming Standardbreds, and when he had success, he upped his investment, buying some yearlings. About seven years ago, he moved to Ontario and bought a Standardbred training center and spent a considerable sum of money on improvements. Ideal Training Centre, located near Mohawk Racetrack in Campbellville, Ontario, is now one of the finest of its kind in Canada.

In the winter, Nichol lives near Gulfstream Park and enjoys watching the races there. He's raced some claimers there, trained by John Mazza, who is one of his neighbors. Last year, Nichol decided to take the plunge and invest in a 2-year-old in training.

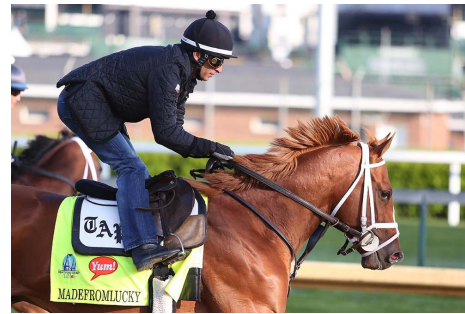
"Although I'm a Standardbred owner, I always liked going to the Thoroughbred races or betting the Thoroughbreds," he said. "The Thoroughbreds were in my blood before the Standardbreds; let's put it that way."

Nichol attended the 2014 OBS March Sale hoping to buy "something decent." He was impressed by Madefromlucky and paid \$150,000, and it has proven to be a solid, if not fortuitous, buy.

"It was the most I had paid for a horse at a sale," he said. "I've paid more for Standardbreds, but there were partners in it. I actually thought I got him at a good price. I was willing to go [in the \$200,000 range or higher] for him because he impressed me that much."

After the colt broke his maiden in his fourth start earlier this year, Nichol started to receive calls from interested parties looking for a Derby horse.

"There were a lot of people interested in him," he said. "Everybody is looking for a winner. In the Thoroughbred business, it's not about the money. It's



Madefromlucky during Derby week
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about a winning horse. There were people calling all the way from Ireland, so he must have impressed a lot of people. I had offers (to sell 100%), but I didn't want to do that. It wasn't to buy a horse and sell him type of deal, especially a good

one. I figured I wouldn't be greedy. I still wanted to [own] a part. If he happens to make it as a stud, there's more money in that than racing horses."

Nichol enjoyed being on the Derby trail with all of its hype and attention.

"I don't think anything beats that," he said. "People can spend millions and millions all their life just to try and make it to the Derby. It doesn't get any bigger than that. That's a thrill of a lifetime."

For all he had accomplished in the Standardbred game, few people on the Derby trail knew much about him and his accomplishments.

"I don't think a lot of Thoroughbred people follow the Standardbreds," he said. "We know that the Thoroughbred business is a much tougher business to get in, especially to break even or make money. It is tough and I knew that when I went to [OBS]. I know the percentage that make money is slim to none."

One percent of Madefromlucky's earnings is going to the Stable That God Loves, a newly formed initiative for Chaplain Ken Carter's homeless Standardbred Chaplaincy of Canada. It is dedicated to providing for the emotional, physical, spiritual and human needs of the horse racing workforce in southwestern Ontario. The charity has received support from many of the top Standardbred owners, but so far Madefromlucky is the only Thoroughbred in the group.

"I figured I'll mix it up a bit on this Thoroughbred and maybe it will open some more doors for support," he said.

Following his success with Madefromlucky, Nichol decided to add to his Thoroughbred stable. He attended the 2015 Fasig-Tipton Florida sale at Gulfstream Park, but found the prices for the ones he wanted were beyond his budget. **Cont. p9**

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Madefromlucky cont.

"I looked at six horses, but they cost between \$460,000 and \$1.6 million and I didn't want to pay that much," he said.

He went back to OBS March and found himself impressed by an Uncle Mo colt who was the first foal out of the multiple stakes-winning mare Sea Road (Tale of the Cat). Nichol liked the colt's workout and his pedigree. The hammer came down at \$190,000. He named the dark bay/brown colt Sea Wizard.

"It's a little bit too early to say [he's as good as Madefromlucky]," Nichol said. "I don't like to jump to anything. We'll have to see when he gets back in training for six weeks or so I'll have a better idea how he's doing. But he looks the part."

"I'm just putting some of the money back into the game again," Nichol added. "That's what I do with my Standardbreds, too."

Overall, Madefromlucky has two wins, two seconds and a third in seven career starts. It's been a good run so far for the horse and his owner.

"You need some luck with everything in the horse business," he said.

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Jacksons/Divining Rod cont.

Barbaro, the decisive winner of the Kentucky Derby, was rushed from Pimlico to the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center in Kennett Square, PA, where Dr. Dean Richardson and his team repaired the fractures in his right hind leg. However, the colt developed the hoof disease laminitis during his recovery and was euthanized Jan. 29, 2007 after veterinarians determined that he could not be saved.



Divining Rod (left) spins them in at Keeneland *Coady photography*

him, but this is a new horse, new chapter, new everything. So, I don't approach it with worry."

Roy Jackson agreed that he and his wife could not be prisoners to history.

"From my standpoint, and I think Gretchen feels the same way, we were very lucky to have him," he said. "There were two roads you take. You could sort of sit there and dwell on it and go over and over the thing, or you could go on with life, to better things and happier days. I think we chose to look at the positive and go on with our lives and really haven't spent a whole lot of time dwelling on the subject."

Two weeks after Barbaro provided the Jacksons with their greatest success in racing, they were central figures in what became an international story about the valiant effort to save the colt.

"It was incredibly stressful because you second-guessed yourself every morning when you got up or when you saw him," Gretchen Jackson said. "One day, he was great, and two weeks later, you were considering putting him down. It was a real roller-coaster ride. It was very stressful, being in constant contact with press and people you didn't know and being asked to deal with facts and deal with emotions all the time. It was hard."

The Jacksons had nothing but kind words for everyone involved with Barbaro, from those who rushed to his aid at the track to the staff at New Bolton.

"They were fantastic. We wouldn't do anything different than what was done," Roy Jackson said.

Due to their many years as breeders and owners, the Jacksons understood that racing's highs and lows can come in quick succession and were better equipped to face the tragedy.

"We've been in it so long, thank God, and we've lived with horses on the farm so long that we were somehow baptized into dealing with it," Gretchen Jackson said. "Not dealing with all the amount of press and attention it got--that was really new for us. But dealing with horses and tragedies, we had some experience with that."

Roy Jackson said they have fond memories of the public support that flowed to them for Barbaro.

"Going through it, there was so much positive," he said. "The number of people we heard from--I think we heard from people in every state in the country and 14 foreign countries, and the amount of kids who sent us things was unbelievable. An awful lot of positives came out of the whole thing."

While Barbaro had a regal air about him, Divining Rod is a character.

"He's a high-energy horse. If he was a person, you would say he is boisterous," Gretchen Jackson said. "He puts a lot into everything he does. And he's very, very high on himself. He likes himself a lot. When he comes out of the gate he just wants to zoom and do everything."

That need-the-lead running style did not serve him well at Tampa Bay Downs, where he tired to finish second [behind Ocean Knight {Curlin}] in the Jan. 31 GIII Sam F. Davis S. and third [to Carpe Diem {Giant's Causeway}] in the [Mar. 7] GII Tampa Bay Derby for trainer Arnaud Delacour. Without warning, a different more tractable Divining Rod showed up at Keeneland and beat favored Donworth (Tiznow) by three lengths.

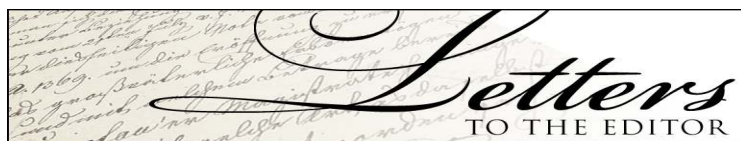
"The transition that was made in the Lexington was that he didn't come out of the gate and have to be on the front end, streaking around the racetrack," Gretchen Jackson said. "He was able to be brought back and kept close to the pace, but then he ran on and he showed tactical speed. He showed relaxation and a certain maturity. He stunned us all." **Cont. p10**



As it turned out, Divining Rod did have enough qualifying points to make the Derby field from the also-eligible list. However, the Jacksons and Delacour had already decided not to run the colt back three weeks after the Lexington triumph and pointed him to the Preakness. The son of multiple Grade I winner Precious Kitten (Catenus), has been getting ready for the Preakness at the pastoral Fair Hill Training Center in Elkton, MD.

Rachel Alexandra in 2009 is the most recent new shooter to win the Preakness after bypassing the Derby. Gretchen Jackson acknowledged that her colt faces a difficult assignment, but noted that American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) had to work hard to defeat Firing Line (Line of David) and Dortmund (Big Brown) in the Derby.

"It's a good group. It's tough," Roy Jackson concurred, "but I think Divining Rod deserves a chance to see if he can compete or not."



MICK GOSS

I read your [publisher's note](#) in the wake of the Derby with interest, not only for the fact that Mike de Kock warranted a mention, but especially for your positivity about American racing. You hit the nail right on the head, (as you generally do) when you pointed to the fact that the crowd that turned up for the two allowance races exceeded that of most big days on European racecourses. It was almost double that of The Championships meeting in Sydney recently, and there are few places in the world where the public appreciate racing like the Aussies do.

Like us, you Americans are sometimes tough on yourselves, none more so than those involved in our sport, so you can do without the negativity that is generated in the broader minds of the public when it comes to your drugs policy and every other excuse your critics need to knock the game. Just imagine how weak the battle for column space would look if you could do away with the drugs.

You did South Africa great credit in your acknowledgement of Mike de Kock: besides being an unusually talented horseman, he is richly endowed in brain matter and is an excellent man-manager. He will be the first to acknowledge however, that the competitive attributes of the broader horse-fraternity at home were the seeds that spurred him to where he is today: our jockeys have dominated the Hong Kong Jockey's title for decades, our trainers can train with the best, and the natural talents of horsemen among our local people bear comparison with the best. All we need now is some compassion on the export front, and our horses will do a bit more talking for us!

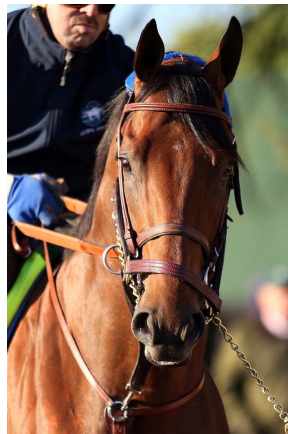
Mick Goss, Summerhill Stud



FRANCES RELIHAN

Great race horses, as we all know, can pass through a lot of hands along the way on their path to stardom. Having read many articles in recent weeks regarding the raising of Kentucky Derby winner American Pharoah, I would like to complete the story regarding his early days at Vinery.

Zayat Stables' American Pharoah was shipped from his birthplace at Tom Van Meter's Stockplace Farm to Vinery, where I was the farm manager when he was



American Pharoah
Horsephotos

approximately three months old and still by the side of his dam Littleprincessemma (Yankee Gentleman). He remained on the mare, through weaning and into his yearling year at Vinery where it was a very enjoyable experience to see him grow and mature.

The colt was a very nice horse to be around from the beginning. Physically he had a great walk to him like his sire, he was correct, well balanced and had very good bone and substance. In addition-- and most importantly-- he had a great temperament and was a

very laid-back individual who took everything in his stride, including the weaning process. These desirable attributes were apparent from early days making him a standout amongst the foal crop on the farm that year.

When the Vinery principals announced in early 2013 that the farm was would be offered for sale, sadly we were faced with having to relocate all client horses along with the Vinery stallions as the operation phased down. These horses included the colt who would later become known as American Pharoah, his dam, and his very promising young sire Pioneerof the Nile.

As a result of this, in January of his yearling year the future champion departed Vinery to commence the next phase of his development at Taylor Made Farm. His sire, the 2009 Kentucky Derby runner-up and also a color bearer for Zayat Stables, was entering his fourth season at stud that year. Having been well supported by breeders for his first three years at Vinery, he was relocated to WinStar Farm at that time to continue his stud duties in advance of his much anticipated first crop, which was about to debut on the racetrack.

The Vinery property, now under new ownership and enjoying a new lease of life as Haras Don Alberto, has seen many top Kentucky Derby hopefuls roam its fields in recent years. Since 2009 alone, Friesan Fire and Archarcharch were both foaled and raised on the property, and along with Awesome Act (yearling purchase) made their way into the starting gate at Churchill Downs on the first Saturday in May. Last year saw top Kentucky Derby contenders Constitution--also foaled and raised on the farm--and Cairo Prince (short yearling purchase) compete together on the racetrack.

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Frances Relihan Letter to Editor cont.

The two horses had earlier grazed together in those same fields on the corner of Spurr Road and Yarnellton Pike.

This, 2015, has now become the year that we can say a Kentucky Derby winner grazed those same pastures.

I would like to wish Mr. Zayat, Justin and the entire Zayat team every success in the exciting weeks ahead as their very talented colt continues in his pursuit of the Triple Crown.

Sincerely,
 Frances M. Relihan
 Farm Manager
 Haras Don Alberto

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Friday, Chester, Britain

BOODLES DIAMOND ORMONDE S.-G3, £100,000, CHE, 5-8, 4yo/up, 13f 89yT, 3:03.15, sf.

1--**@CLEVER COOKIE (GB)**, 126, g, 7, by **Primo Valentino (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Mystic Memory (GB)**, by **Ela-Mana-Mou (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Mountain Memory (GB)**, by **High Top (Ire)**

3rd Dam: **Forgotten Dreams (Fr)**, by **Shoemaker (GB)**

O-Francis Green Racing Ltd; B-Mrs J A Niven; T-Peter Niven; J-Graham Lee. £56,710. Lifetime Record:

SW-Eng, 7-4-0-0, £99,573. **Werk Nick Rating: A + .**

Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Tac de Boistron (Fr)**, 133, g, 8, Take Risks (Fr)--

Pondiki (Fr), by Sicyos. O-Australian Thoroughbred

Bloodstock; B-Mme Isabelle Reverseau (Fr); T-Marco

Botti. £21,500.

3--**Deuce Again (GB)**, 123, f, 4, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Match

Point (GB), by Unfuwain. O-Helena Springfield Ltd;

B-Meon Valley Stud (GB); T-John Gosden. £10,760.

Margins: 1 1/4, 6, 18. Odds: 8.00, 1.10, 8.00.

Also Ran: Big Orange (GB), Windshear (GB), Aussie

Reigns (Ire), Montefeltro (GB), Fattsota (GB).

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With the rain refusing to abate over Chester's leaden skies, this renewal produced a finish akin to a national hunt spectacle with one of that sphere's former gems Clever Cookie outbattling the penalized dual G1 Prix Royal-Oak hero Tac de Boistron in a stirring finish. Already a smart performer over hurdles before besting Thursday's G3 Huxley S. third Air Pilot (GB) (Zamindar) on his belated flat debut at Doncaster last April, he followed up in an extended 10-furlong handicap at York's May meeting before dead-heating in that venue's 14-furlong Listed Grand Cup at the end of the month. Staying on well when ninth and sixth respectively in York's two premier handicaps, the John Smith's Cup in July and Ebor in August, the bay was again doing his best work late when fourth to Estimate (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}) in the G2 Doncaster Cup when last seen in September. Settled with one behind early with the bullseye on Tac de Boistron's jockey Martin Harley's back, he followed devoutly as that favorite cruised to the lead with three



Clever Cookie (I)
Racing Post

furlongs remaining. As the Chester crowd prepared to dine out on the Marco Botti star, Clever Cookie was staying in contention and grimly ground him down inside the last furlong for the upset. "Obviously the ground has played in our favor and he's beaten a very good horse there," trainer Peter Niven commented. "It's his first run back and he's not even half right to be fair to him. Our tactic was to go up the favorite's backside and he's very unfashionably bred and is the last of the family, but is a bit of a freak with infinite ability and a bottomless pit. He hasn't been firing at home and was as dead as a doornail, but he's come to this arena and loved it. I always thought he would like this place, with all the shouting around the rails and it's brought him to life. He will run in the G1 Gold Cup [at Royal Ascot June 18] as long as it's not good-to-firm, as I have to look after him and my main aim is the G2 British Champions Long Distance Cup [at Ascot Oct. 17]."

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TDN PROGENY PP COUNTS

Second-Crop Sires for the last 90 days through Thursday, May 7, 2015

Sire	Total Listings	Unique Progeny
Eskendereya	22	16
Lookin at Lucky	19	15
Lope de Vega (Ire)	19	14
Majesticperfection	16	12
Munnings	14	11
Midshipman	13	10

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PRIX DE GUICHE-G3, €80,000, LCP, 5-8, 3yo, c, 9fT, 1:53.45, sf.

1--**@WAR DISPATCH, 123, c, 3, by War Front**

1st Dam: Photograph, by Unbridled's Song

2nd Dam: Black Speck, by Arch

3rd Dam: Andover Way, by His Majesty

O/B-Joseph Allen; T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Christophe Soumillon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 6 wins, 1 place, €131,500. **Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree. Werk Nick Rating: A++.**

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2--**De Treville (GB), 128, c, 3, Oasis Dream (GB)--Dar Re Mi (GB), by Singspiel (Ire). (850,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT). O-Rashit Shaykhutdinov; B-Watership Down Stud (GB); T-Andre Fabre. €16,000.**

3--**Piment Rouge (Fr), 128, c, 3, Evasive (GB)--Red Sea (Fr), by Marignan. (€15,000 yrl '13 ARQOCT). O-Patrick Tual, Chantal Briard, Anthony Bolis, Lucien Hassine, Helene Petit. Alain Zanoni, Christian de Asis Trem & Roger Del Bucchia; B-Didier Blot & Christian de Asis Trem (Fr); T-Christian Scandella. €12,000. Margins: 1 3/4, 1 1/4, 3. Odds: 1.70, 2.20, 5.00.**

Also Ran: Inordinate, Campione (Fr).

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War Dispatch
Scoop Dyga

Prix de Guiche cont.

Making a first start on turf, War Dispatch proved every bit as useful as he had on Polytrack and Viscoride to extend his winning sequence which has been uninterrupted since running second to one of his country's leading lights Full Mast (Mizzen Mast) over 6 1/2 furlongs on debut at Deauville in August. Since that reversal, the imposing grey has been nurtured through his education in conditions events at Lyon la Soie and at this circuit and two events at Cagnes-sur-Mer which included the Feb. 21 Listed Prix Policeman. Reined back to race in fourth early by Christophe Soumillon, the homebred was keen as Inordinate (Harlan's Holiday) proved a reluctant pace-setter and shadowed De Treville as that rival took over up front before halfway. Sitting handy entering the home straight, War Dispatch gained the lead approaching the furlong pole and asserted for a workmanlike but ultimately straightforward success. "I said after he won last time at Cagnes-Sur-Mer that I would keep him fresh for this and then go on to the [May 31] G1 Prix du Jockey Club and he won well today," trainer Jean-Claude Rouget said. "He looked like the winner throughout and he is bred to go on good ground. He definitely has quality and class, so he has stamped his ticket to the Jockey Club and will have a good chance."



Poule d'Essai des Pouliches cont.

Sunday, Longchamp, France, post time: 4:15 p.m.

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULICHES-G1, €450,000, 3yo, f, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE
1	9	Mexican Gold	Medaglia d'Oro

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc; T-Andre Fabre; J-Vincent Cheminaud. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €52,500.

Last Start--WON Apr. 12 G3 Prix de la Grotte

2	12	Ervedya (Fr)	Siyouni (Fr)
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O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Christophe Soumillon. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 4 wins, 2 places, €210,585.

Last Start--WON Apr. 2 G3 Prix Imprudence

3	3	Qatar Dance (Ire)	Zebedee (GB)
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(50,000gns wlng '12 TATDEC)
 O-Mubarak Al Naemi; B-R O'Callaghan & D Veitch; T-Georges Mikhalides; J-Tony Piccone. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €20,250.

Last Start--7th Apr. 12 G3 Prix de la Grotte

4	7	Queen Bee (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)
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(€6,000 yrl '13 ARQNOV)
 O-Gerard Augustin-Normand; B-Haras du Logis & Julian Ince; T-Elie Lellouche; J-Gregory Benoit. Lifetime Record: 11 starts, 3 wins, 7 places, €143,730.

Last Start--3rd Apr. 2 G3 Prix Imprudence

5	2	Irish Rookie (Ire)	Azamour (Ire)
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(€16,000 yrl '13 GOFORB)
 O-Rick Barnes; B-Kevin & Meta Cullen; T-Martyn Meade; J-Fergus Sweeney. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €33,720.

Last Start--6th May 3 G1 1000 Guineas

Poule d'Essai des Pouliches field cont. p13



- 6 14 Royal Razalma (Ire) Lope de Vega (Ire)**
 (24,000gns wing '12 TATDEC; 15,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT)
 O-David & Gwyn Joseph; B-Eileen Farrelly; T-Jonathan Portman;
 J-Andrea Atzeni. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €76,089.
Last Start--9th Apr. 18 G3 Fred Darling S.
- 7 4 Sainte Amarante (Fr) Le Havre (Ire)**
 O/B-Ecurie ABU; T-Yves de Nicolay; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. Lifetime
 Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, €40,000.
Last Start--WON Mar. 24 Listed Prix la Camargo
- 8 13 Penorka (Fr) Orpen**
 O/B-Ecurie Audoy Christian; T-Bruno de Montzey; J-Olivier Peslier.
 Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €57,200.
Last Start--2nd Apr. 12 G3 Prix de la Grotte
- 9 11 Maimara (Fr) Makfi (GB)**
 (€65,000 wing '12 ARQDEC)
 O-Alain Louis-Dreyfus; B-Le Thenney SA & Edy SRL; T-Mikel
 Delzangles; J-Alexis Badel. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place,
 €18,250.
Last Start--WON Apr. 1 Saint-Cloud Conditions
- 10 10 Kenouska (Fr) Kendargent (Fr)**
 O-Guy Pariente; B-Guy Pariente Holding; T-Philippe Sogorb; J-Antoine
 Hamelin. Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 2 wins, 5 places, €69,550.
Last Start--5th Apr. 25 Listed Prix FBA - Aymeri de Mauleon
- 11 5 Ameenah (Fr) American Post (GB)**
 (€75,000 yrl '13 ARQOCT)
 O-Jean-Claude Seroul; B-Sheikh Abdulla bin Khalifa Al Thani;
 T-Frederic Rossi; J-Franck Blondel. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 4 wins, 3
 places, €108,000.
Last Start--2nd Apr. 2 G3 Prix Imprudence
- 12 6 Bilissie (GB) Dansili (GB)**
 O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias; J-Frankie Dettori.
 Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €28,600.
Last Start--WON Apr. 20 Longchamp Conditions
- 13 1 Soft Drink Lemon Drop Kid**
 O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Andre Fabre; J-Maxime Guyon. Lifetime
 Record: 4 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €24,600.
Last Start--WON Apr. 15 Chantilly Conditions
- 14 8 Fontanelice (Ire) Vale of York (Ire)**
 (€3,600 wing '12 GOFNOV; €9,000 yrl '13 TATIRE)
 O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-John Martin McLoughney; T-Criquette
 Head-Maarek; J-Thierry Jarnet. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 5 wins,
 2 places, €115,445.
Last Start--4th Apr. 12 G3 Prix de la Grotte

All carry 126 pounds.

Chief among Ervedya's opponents are the two who followed behind in the Imprudence, **Ameenah (Fr)** (American Post {GB}) and **Queen Bee (Fr)** (Le Havre {Ire}). Jean-Claude Seroul's Ameenah will exit from stall five, while Gerard Augustin-Normand's Queen Bee is in seven. The latter was also behind Ervedya when fifth in the Marcel Boussac, having won Deauville's G3 Pri du Calvados over seven furlongs and jockey Gregory Benoist believes she can find some improvement. "She ran well in the Imprudence and she is getting stronger," he said. "Her work has been brilliant and I am expecting a really good run. She needs good ground and the mile is a maximum for her." Frankie Dettori has been snapped up by Carlos Laffon-Parias for the Wertheimers' **Bilissie (GB)** (Dansili {GB}), who earned this spot with a conditions win in first-time blinkers over the track and trip Apr. 20.

Poule d'Essai des Poulains cont.

EIGHTEEN GATHER FOR POULAINS TEST

There were no notable withdrawals from Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Longchamp, which attracted its usual large field as the draw was made Friday. Leading candidates **Make Believe (GB)** (Makfi {GB}) and **Highland Reel (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) received favorable berths in four and seven respectively, with the other main protagonists **Karar (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) and **Muhaarar (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB}) done less favors in 13 and 18. The former, who sports the Al Shaqab silks and was supplemented this week, came off a six-length debut score against a smart yardstick at Saint-Cloud Mar. 19 to run second to the subsequent G1 2000 Guineas runner-up Territories (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) in the course-and-distance prep, the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau Apr. 12. On that occasion, he had **The Commissioner (Ire)**



Highland Reel
Racing Post

(Sea the Stars {Ire}) two lengths back in third and trainer Francis-Henri Graffard is hoping for a bold show. "In his first two races, he didn't have a choice other than to go to the front but we have galloped him to switch off behind and get cover," he explained. "He has strengthened a lot and I have to be pleased. He has a very good chance of being in the frame. He got a surprise when Territories came in the middle of the track and it was only his second start." Graffard also saddles Pearl Bloodstock's **Cornwallville (Ire)** (Makfi {GB}), the Listed Criterium du Languedoc and Listed Prix Aymeri du Mauleon winner who is in 15 and racing manager David Redvers told *PA Sport*, "He was claimed last year and he has already been a fantastic investment. He has won his last two starts at listed level, so is battle-hardened and in top form. He's in flying form, so why not have a go? It would be a nice surprise if he puts in a bold show." Muhaarar's trainer Charlie Hills was ill at ease after learning of the G3 Greenham S. winner receiving the widest draw, but is pleased that Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum's accomplished colt enters the fray in top order. "Obviously we could have fared better with the draw, but we can't do anything about that," he told *PA Sport*. "Everything has gone absolutely perfect since the Greenham, I couldn't be happier with the horse. The ground has dried up a bit since midweek, which is in his favour, but he'll have to be very good to overcome the draw."

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Poulains cont.

Sunday, Longchamp, France, post time: 3:08 p.m.

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULAINS - PRIX LE PARISIEN-G1, €550,000, 3yo, c, 8fT

- | SC | PP | HORSE | SIRE |
|--|----|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 16 | New Bay (GB) | Dubawi (Ire) |
| O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Andre Fabre; J-Vincent Cheminaud. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €22,800.
<i>Last Start--WON Apr. 20 Longchamp Conditions</i> | | | |
| 2 | 18 | Muhaarar (GB) | Oasis Dream (GB) |
| O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-Charles Hills; J-Paul Hanagan. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €225,101.
<i>Last Start--WON Apr. 18 G3 Greenham S.</i> | | | |
| 3 | 13 | Karar (GB) | Invincible Spirit (Ire) |
| (55,000gns wing '12 TATDEC; 120,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT; €200,000 2yo '14 ARQMAY)
O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-James Wigan; T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Frankie Dettori. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €28,500.
<i>Last Start--2nd Apr. 12 G3 Prix de Fontainebleau</i> | | | |
| 4 | 8 | Smaih (Ger) | Paco Boy (Ire) |
| (€190,000 yrl '13 GOFORB)
O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof; T-Richard Hannon; J-Pierre-Charles Boudot. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €59,069.
<i>Last Start--WON Oct. 25 G3 Horris Hill S.</i> | | | |
| 5 | 9 | Hawke (Ire) | Oratorio (Ire) |
| O/B-Ballygallon Stud Ltd; T-Pia Brandt; J-Mickael Barzalona. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €15,000.
<i>Last Start--WON Apr. 12 Longchamp Maiden</i> | | | |
| 6 | 6 | Sir Andrew (Fr) | Polan (Fr) |
| O-Cuadra Jarilla; B-A Jordan Torres; T-Fernando Perez-Gonzalez; J-Jose-Luis Martinez Tejera. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €44,250.
<i>Last Start--3rd Apr. 2 G3 Prix Djebel</i> | | | |
| 7 | 7 | Highland Reel (Ire) | Galileo (Ire) |
| (460,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT)
O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Hveger Syndicate; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Ryan Moore. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €67,063.
<i>Last Start--WON July 30 G2 Vintage S.</i> | | | |
| 8 | 3 | Mind That Boy (Ire) | Acclamation (GB) |
| (€30,000 yrl '13 ARQAUG)
O-Ecurie Pandora Racing, Gerard Augustin-Normand & Elisabeth Vidal; B-Serge Boucheron; T-Yan Durepaire; J-Gregory Benoit. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €17,600.
<i>Last Start--3rd Apr. 8 Chantilly Conditions</i> | | | |
| 9 | 4 | Make Believe (GB) | Makfi (GB) |
| (180,000gns wing '12 TATDEC)
O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Aston Mullins Stud; T-Andre Fabre; J-Olivier Peslier. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €45,500.
<i>Last Start--2nd Apr. 2 G3 Prix Djebel</i> | | | |
| 10 | 14 | Tale of Life (Jpn) | Deep Impact (Jpn) |
| O-Flaxman Stables Ireland Ltd; B-Flaxman Holdings Ltd; T-Pascal Bary; J-Stephane Pasquier. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €19,300.
<i>Last Start--2nd Apr. 20 Longchamp Conditions</i> | | | |
| 11 | 11 | Maftool Ⓚ | Hard Spun |
| (€260,000 wing '12 KEENOV)
O-Godolphin; B-C Kidder, J K Griggs & Linda Griggs; T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Dane O'Neill. Lifetime Record: 8 starts, 3 wins, 5 places, €529,328.
<i>Last Start--2nd Mar. 28 G2 UAE Derby</i> | | | |

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|---|----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12 | 1 | Borsakov (Ire) | Dylan Thomas (Ire) |
| (€37,000 yrl '13 ARQOCT)
O-Alain Jathiere; B-Niarchos Family; T-Pia Brandt; J-Maxime Guyon. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €22,600.
<i>Last Start--3rd Apr. 20 Longchamp Conditions</i> | | | |
| 13 | 12 | Mr. Owen Ⓚ | Invincible Spirit (Ire) |
| (€95,000 RNA yrl '13 KESEEP)
O-Mathieu Offenstadt, Bettina Jenney & Francois Rohaut; B-Derry Meeting Farm; T-Francois Rohaut; J-Francois-Xavier Bertras. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €33,800.
<i>Last Start--WON Apr. 5 Bordeaux-le-Bouscat Conditions</i> | | | |
| 14 | 2 | War Envoy | War Front |
| O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Joseph Allen; B-Joseph Allen; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Colm O'Donoghue. Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 1 win, 7 places, €73,435.
<i>Last Start--4th Apr. 16 G3 Craven S.</i> | | | |
| 15 | 15 | Cornwallville (Ire) | Makfi (GB) |
| (€17,500 RNA wing '12 GOFNOV; €7,000 RNA yrl '13 ASCDEC)
O-Pearl Bloodstock Ltd; B-Corrin Stud & Blackwater Bloodstock Ltd; T-Francis-Henri Graffard; J-Oisin Murphy. Lifetime Record: 15 starts, 6 wins, 5 places, €131,585.
<i>Last Start--WON Apr. 25 Listed Prix FBA - Aymeri de Mauleon</i> | | | |
| 16 | 17 | The Commissioner (Ire) | Sea the Stars (Ire) |
| (€90,000 RNA yrl '13 ARQOCT)
O-Prime Equestrian SARL; B-Haras du Mont Dit Mont; T-Xavier Thomas-Demeaulte; J-Christophe Soumillon. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €41,500.
<i>Last Start--3rd Apr. 12 G3 Prix de Fontainebleau</i> | | | |
| 17 | 10 | Flaming Spear (Ire) | Lope de Vega (Ire) |
| (€110,000 wing '12 GOFNOV; 48,000gns yrl '13 TATDEC; £260,000 2yo '14 DONAPR)
O-Qatar Racing & Essafinaat; B-Gerry Flannery Developments; T-Kevin Ryan; J-Andrea Atzeni. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 0 places, €8,923.
<i>Last Start--9th Apr. 18 G3 Greenham S.</i> | | | |
| 18 | 5 | El Suizo (Fr) | Meshaheer |
| O/B-Peter Rechsteiner; T-Henri-Alex Pantall; J-Fabrice Veron. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €74,500.
<i>Last Start--4th Apr. 2 G3 Prix Djebel</i> | | | |
- All carry 128 pounds.

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CLASSIC CREDENTIALS FOR ARQANA BREEZE

by Emma Berry

Arqana's Breeze-up Sale has been riding the crest of a Classic wave of late, with 2013 graduate The Grey Gatsby (Ire) (Mastercraftsman {Ire}) winning last year's G1 Prix du Jockey-Club before overturning dual Derby winner Australia (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Irish Champion S.



The Grey Gatsby
Racing Post

Brendan Holland's Grove Stud, which consigned The Grey Gatsby, ended last year's sale as leading vendor with offerings including the €750,000 top lot, Cannes (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}). While that colt is yet to race, another son of Invincible Spirit sold the same day, and the fifth most expensive juvenile of the sale, will be put to the Classic test Sunday. Now named

Karar (GB) and trained for Al Shaqab Racing by Francis-Henri Graffard—who has enjoyed Group 2 success with Sumbal (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and a listed victory with Erupt (Ire) (Dubawi {Ire}) this week alone—the James Wigan-bred colt lines up for the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains after posting an impressive six-length debut at Saint-Cloud Mar. 19, before running second to subsequent G1 2000 Guineas runner-up Territories (Ire), who is also by Invincible Spirit, in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau.

Karar is not Graffard's only black-type earner from last year's Arqana Breeze-up as the young Chantilly trainer also has in his stable the second-top lot, Svoul (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}), who won on debut and has twice been listed-placed for Qatar Racing.

As the name implies, The Channel Consignment is a collaboration between two well known faces from either side of the Channel, Frenchman Alban Chevalier du Fau and English former jump jockey Jamie Railton. The duo bought Karar—originally a 55,000gns Norris/Huntingdon foal pinhook—as a yearling for 120,000gns and sold him on for €200,000, but he is not the only one of their 2014 graduates for whom they have high expectations this year. Another Graffard trainee, Vision Des Aigles (Fr) (Vision d'Etat {Fr}), holds an entry for the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club, while the Jean-Claude Rouget-trained Zvarkhova (Fr) (Makfi {Ire}) is a candidate for the G1 Prix de Diane.

"We hope our results speak for themselves," said Railton after yesterday's breeze session. "We're not just focused on fast times, we respect the horses and for us it's all about results on the track. Alban and I have been working together for four years now and in that time 14.8% of the horses we've sold are stakes horses."

Their draft this year is the largest in the catalogue and, despite the withdrawal of a Sea The Stars (Ire) colt, still contains 15 juveniles by a range of sought-after stallions.

One which will arouse interest for rarity value alone is the filly catalogued as [lot 15](#), the sole representative of the final crop of Germany's former champion sire Monsun (Ger) out of the Diesis (GB) mare Arriver, who has produced three winners in Japan. The draft also contains the only lot by the Ramseys' versatile Kitten's Joy ([lot 23](#)). The chestnut filly turned two only this week and is out of the multiple stakes winner Bold World (Fortunate Prospect), whose daughter Bold Union has emulated her dam by notching her own string of stakes victories, including the GIII Endine S.



Jamie Railton
Emma Berry

It would be fair to say that Danehill's son Fastnet Rock (Aus) didn't make an instant impression on European breeders but plenty will be revising their opinions of the Coolmore stallion following a purple patch this spring. His latest northern hemisphere runner to turn heads was impressive Listed Cheshire Oaks winner Diamondsandrubies (Ire), while Cape Clear Island (Ire) was runner-up in the G3 Classic Trial at Sandown after bagging the lucrative Tattersalls Millions 3-Y-O Trophy earlier that month. Two Fastnet Rock colts will face the judges in Paris, with [lots 14](#) and [81](#) both being offered by Mocklershill. The latter, out of the Peintre Celebre mare Marie Laurencin (GB), is a half-brother to juvenile listed winner Junia Tepzia (Ire) (Rock Of Gibraltar {Ire}) and one doesn't have to dig too deep in his family to find further illustrious winners. His grandam Glatissant (GB) (Rainbow Quest) is responsible for G1 2000 Guineas victor and sire Foostepsinthesand (GB) (Giant's Causeway) as well as Group 1 winner Pedro The Great (Henrythenavigator).

The second-top lot from the Osarus September Yearling Sale returns to auction today as [lot 80](#). Selling from Ireland's Longways Stables, the Champs Elysees (GB) filly cost €85,000 last year, which is no surprise as she owns a desirable pedigree regardless of what she achieves on the track. Her dam Marella (GB) (Desert Prince {Ire}) is a half-sister to Kind (GB) (Danehill), whose stellar offspring include Frankel (GB), Noble Mission (GB) and Bullet Train (GB).

Osarus held its own breeze-up sale a little under a fortnight ago which proved to be a successful outing for Paul Basquin's Haras de Sabouas.
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Alban Chevalier du Fau
Emma Berry



Olivier Delloye (@OlivierDelloye) 36
Cavani, Sirigu and Pastore posing at the sales @Arqana before playing in Paris.

Paris Saint-Germain's Salvatore Sirigu, Edinson Cavani, and Javier Pastore @OlivierDelloye



Arqana Breeze-Up Preview cont.

Based in the southwest of France, the stud sold the top three lots, headed by a €65,000 Siyouni (Fr) filly. The team has travelled north to Paris with another eight 2-year-olds to sell, including three more daughters of Siyouni. Among that trio is [lot 30](#), out of Chic Retreat (Elusive Quality), a half-sister to GI Eddie Read H. winner Sarafan (Lear Fan).

The candidates for this year's sale were put through their paces on the turf at Saint-Cloud racecourse on Friday morning.

"We're really happy with the breeze session," reported Arqana's General Manager Olivier Delloye. "The vendors were pleased with the track, which had plenty of grass, and the ground was perfect."

He added, "We're also pleased with the overall standard of the catalogue and to see such a good turnout for the breeze this morning. There were plenty of agents and French trainers, as well as representatives from Coolmore, Qatar Racing and Al Shaqab Racing."

After withdrawals, around 120 juveniles are set to go under the hammer at Saint-Cloud at 2 p.m. local time Saturday.

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Saturday, Doomben, Australia, post time: 1:27 a.m. ET
THE BUNDABERG RUM DOOMBEN CUP-G1, A\$650,000
 (US\$521,210), 3yo/up, 2000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	14	Green Moon (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	C Schofield	Hickmott	130
2	9	Foreteller (GB)	Dansili (GB)	McDonald	Waller	130
3	5	Moriarty (Ire)	Clodovil (Ire)	Bowman	Waller	130
4	2	Hawkspur (Aus)	Purrealist (Aus)	Berry	Waller	130
5	7	Banca Mo (Aus)	Tough Speed	Holland	Brunton	130
6	8	Weary (Fr)	Astronomer Royal	G Schofield	Waller	130
7	11	Leebaz (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Byrne	Hawkes	130
8	6	I'm Imposing (GB)	Danehill Dncr (Ire)	Angland	Waller	130
9	3	Escado (Aus)	Csino Prnce (Aus)	Baster	Laurie	130
10	4	Pornichet (Fr)	Vesponse (Ire)	Shinn	Watrhous	130
11	13	Hopfgarten (Aus)	Mossman (Aus)	Browne	Heathcote	130
12	15	Addictive Habit (NZ)	Colombia (NZ)	Cahill	Somervell	130
13	10	Silent Achiever (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	McEvoy	James	125
14	1	Gypsy Diamond (Aus)	Nt a Sngl Dbt (Aus)	Williams	Snowden	125
15	12	Epingle (NZ)	Pins (Aus)	Colless	Kent	125

Saturday, Doomben, Australia, post time: 2:07 a.m. ET
UBET BTC CUP-G1, A\$500,000 (US\$401,207), 3yo/up, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	6	Temple of Boom (Aus)	Piccolo (GB)	Harrison	Gollan	129
2	3	Trst in a Gst (Aus)	Keep the Fith (Aus)	Rawiller	Weir	129
3	1	Fontelina (Aus)	Testa Rossa (Aus)	Byrne	Cummings	129
4	2	Hot Snitzel (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Shinn	Snowden	129
5	15	Big Money (Aus)	Choisir (Aus)	Thompson	Northam	129
6	8	Sacred Star (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Bell	Pike	129
7	9	Knoydart (Aus)	More Than Ready	McDonald	O'Shea	129
8	7	Our Boy Mlachi (Aus)	Top Echelon (Aus)	Berry	Hawkes	129
9	14	El Roca (Aus)	Fastnet Rck (Aus)	Bowman	Bsutn & Yng	129
10	5	Cape Kidnapers (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	McMahon	Schweida	129
11	4	Scissor Kick (Aus)	Rdute's Chce (Aus)	Angland	Messara	125
12	13	Time For War (Aus)	Snitzel (Aus)	Tarrant	Kendrick	125
13	16	Nostradamus (Aus)	Medaglia d'Oro	McEvoy	Hawkes	125
14	12	Villa Verde (Aus)	Nt a Sngl Dbt (Aus)	Colless	Cummings	124
15	11	Srikandi (Aus)	Dubawi (Ire)	Browne	Maher	124
16	10	Brng Me the Md (Aus)	Sebring (Aus)	Schofield	Moody	121

Saturday, Morphettville, Australia, post time: 1:23 a.m. ET
WILLIAM HILL SOUTH AUSTRALIA DERBY-G1, A\$500,000
 (US\$401,207), 3yo, 2500mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	18	Werther (NZ)	Tavistock (NZ)	Callow	Campbell
2	2	October Date (Aus)	Brlly a Mmnt (Aus)	Cahill	Smart
3	20	Magicool (Aus)	Fastnet Rck (Aus)	Oliver	Kavanagh
4	9	Boom Time (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Duric	Moody
5	6	Manapine (Aus)	Mnhattan Rn (Aus)	Dunn	Blackiston
6	1	Allergic (Aus)	Street Cry (Ire)	Moloney	O'Shea
7	10	Chu Chu Charlie (Aus)	Myboycharlie (Ire)	Yendall	Daniel
8	7	All I Survey (Aus)	Domesday (Aus)	McLeod	Carey
9	3	Triple Gold (Aus)	Teofilo (Ire)	Nolen	Moody
10	17	Lucques (Aus)	High Chparral (Ire)	No Rider	Elrtn & Zahra
11	8	Crimson Cape (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	Zahra	Smerdon
12	16	Cuban Fighter (Aus)	Teofilo (Ire)	Bowditch	Laing
13	19	Turbo Street (Aus)	Encsta de Lgo (Aus)	Neilson	McEvoy
14	5	Maysoor (Aus)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Tourneur	Price
15	12	Time Walker (Aus)	Pentire (GB)	Arnold	Stokes
16	14	Delicacy (Aus)	Al Maher (Aus)	Hall	Williams

Also Eligibles:
 17 4 Gifted Lad (NZ) Zabeel (NZ) Walker Bsutn & Yng
 18 13 Light Motion (Aus) Encsta de Lgo (Aus) No Rider Smerdon
 19 15 Thermogenic (Aus) Northern Mteor (Aus) No Rider Stokes
 20 11 Grumpy Guru (Aus) Al Maher (Aus) Lindop Mcdnld & Glys
 All carry 124 lbs, bar Delicacy (Aus), 120.

'HOLIDAY' DREAM IN NHK MILE

Tokyo's 20th edition of the G1 NHK Mile Sunday is headlined by the consistent performer **Grand Silk (Jpn)** (Stay Gold {Jpn}), who is the 2-1 favorite on the morning line. Never worse than third in five trips to the post to date, the Hirofumi Toda charge closed his final three furlongs in a scintillating :33.70, but had to settle for second behind the reopposing **Yamakatsu Ace (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) in the G2 New Zealand Trophy over this trip at Nakayama Apr. 11. In his two starts prior, the son of King Kamehameha lifted back-to-back victories in a 3-year-old maiden at Nakayama Jan. 12 and another mile affair there Mar. 15. "In the gate of the New Zealand Trophy, this horse was startled by another horse acting up and missed the break," said Toda. "Even so, he raced extremely well in the stretch and just missed the win. From his pedigree, he's an excitable horse and even though he hasn't been difficult recently, we have given him gate practice just to be on the safe side. He's put on muscle now and I hope to see him in top form Sunday."

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NHK Mile Cup Preview cont.

The undefeated **Albiano** (Harlan's Holiday) is the sole American-bred and one of two fillies in the 18-strong line up for 3-year-old milers. A winner of her January debut over this distance at Nakayama, the Tetsuya Kimura trainee took a 1400-meter affair at Tokyo Feb. 15. She was last seen landing the 1800-meter G3 Flower Cup back at Nakayama Mar. 21 and has a



Albiano
JRA

four-pound break in the weights. Unfortunately, a Flower Cup winner hasn't found success in Sunday's contest since Seeking the Pearl (Seeking the Gold) scooped the 1997 edition 18 years ago. "She started very well in the Flower Cup and because she has such great speed

she easily went to the top," said Kimura. "She got over any fatigue she had quickly and was back on her feed immediately. She has won all her three races going wire to wire, but she can also settle even if she's running behind others."

Clarity Sky (Jpn) (Kurofune) ran well to finish fifth after setting the pace in the Apr. 19 G1 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) at Nakayama in his latest and definitely bears watching returning to the site of his biggest win over course and distance in the Listed Icho S. last October. Third in the G1 Asahi Hai Futurity S. at Hanshin next out Dec. 21 to end his year, Yasuo Tomomichi's bay was sixth in his first run back in the G2 Hochi Hai Yayoi Sho over 2000 meters Mar. 8. "I hadn't given the jockey any particular instructions in the Satsuki Sho and, on his own judgement, he decided to send the horse to the front," commented Tomomichi. "I think he ran a good race, but the top finishers were strong. This horse has had good results at the mile and he's won a graded [Japanese] stakes race at Tokyo with a fast time."

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PARRANDA OUT OF SAI CUP

Former U.S. galloper **Parranda** (English Channel), winner of the CECF Singapore Cup Feb. 22 and recently a close third in the Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Kranji Apr. 26, has been ruled out of next Sunday's



Parranda winning the CECF Singapore Cup Feb. 22 Singapore Turf Club

S\$3-million G1 Singapore Airlines International Cup after undergoing surgery on a foot, according to a release from the Singapore Turf Club. A four-time stakes winner for trainer Rodolfo Garcia, Parranda won the GIII Wilshire S. and GII Royal Heroine S.

while under the care of trainer Jerry Hollendorfer in the latter two-thirds of the 2014 season. The Florida-bred was knocked down to the China Horse Club for \$800,000 at the Fasig-Tipton November Sale and made one stateside appearance for trainer Christophe Clement, a handy victory in the GIII Marshua's River S. at Gulfstream Park Jan. 10.

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Avenir Marcher (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Kitamura	Fujisawa	125
2	Grand Silk (Jpn)	Stay Gold (Jpn)	Tosaki	Toda	125
3	Cool Hotarubi (Jpn)	Matsurida Gogh (Jpn)	Yoshida	Shimizu	121
4	Guanciaie (Jpn)	Screen Hero (Jpn)	Ebina	Kitade	125
5	Tagano Azaghal (Jpn)	Bago (Fr)	Matsuda	Chida	125
6	Ren England (Jpn)	Kurofune	Uchida	Yahagi	125
7	Clarity Sky (Jpn)	Kurofune	Yokoyama	Tomomichi	125
8	Night Fox (Jpn)	Sakura Bakushin O (Jpn)	Tanaka	Otake	125
9	Albiano (C)	Harlan's Holiday	Shibayama	Kimura	121
10	Arma Waioli (Jpn)	Matsurida Gogh (Jpn)	Katsuura	Nishiura	125
11	Yamakatsu Ace (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Ikezoe	Ikezoe	125
12	Musee Sultan (Jpn)	King Kamehameha (Jpn)	Y. Shibata	Oehara	125
13	Cosmo Nine Ball (Jpn)	Higher Game (Jpn)	D. Shibata	Wada	125
14	Young Man Power (Jpn)	Snitzel (Aus)	Matsuoka	Tezuka	125
15	Fumino Moon (Jpn)	Admire Moon (Jpn)	Miyuki	Nishiura	125
16	Danon Major (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Take	Hashiguchi	125
17	Nishino Rush (Jpn)	Sakura Bakushin O (Jpn)	Tanabe	Tamura	125
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AFLEETING LADY, 8, Afleet Alex--Oatsee, by Unbridled Foal born Mar. 4, a colt by Tapit.

Will be bred back to Malibu Moon.
Owned by Colts Neck Stables & Alpha Delta Stables.
Boarded at Mill Ridge.
Accomplishments: MGSW, \$473,526.

CAYUGA'S WATERS, 13, Langfuhr--Tomahawkstress, by Apalachee

Foal born Mar. 29, a filly by Giant's Causeway.
Will be bred back to Lemon Drop Kid.
Owned by Brant Laue.
Boarded at Hurstland Farm.
Accomplishments: SW of \$194,422. Dam of Cascadilla Falls (E Dubai), SW, \$140,310; Glorious View (Pleasant Tap), GSW, \$307,190; Highball (Lemon Drop Kid), MGSP, \$168,311.

 **New York**

Friday's Results:

8th-BEL, \$85,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:49 1/5, fm.

GOLDY ESPONY (FR) (f, 4, Vespone {Ire}--Goldy Honor {Fr}, by Highest Honor {Fr}) began her career competing in France for owner and trainer Henri-Alex Pantall, winning three times from seven trips to the post. Winner of the G3 Prix Penelope at Saint-Cloud in April of 2014, she closed out her European campaign with a seventh-place finish in Longchamp's G1 Pour Moi Coolmore Prix Saint-Alary in May. The grey added Lasix and raced evenly to finish sixth in her stateside debut in the GI Belmont Oaks Invitational over 10 furlongs here July 5, and resurfaced with a third-place run in the 1 1/16-mile GIII Valley View S. at Keeneland Oct. 17. Sidelined for over six months following that effort, she was tabbed as the even-money favorite in this spot. Off to an alert beginning, Goldy Espony led the way around the opening bend and settled down the backstretch through a quarter-mile in :25.57. The 4-year-old ceded the lead to longshot Holiday's Jewel (Harlan's Holiday) soon after that juncture and bided her time tracking that rival through six furlongs in 1:13.92. Asked for more turning for home, she rallied along the inside and spurted away to post a one-length tally over Dido (Bernstein). The winner comes from the extended family of 1988 GI Arlington Million hero Mill Native. Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr,10-4-1-2, \$222,604. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).



O-Swift Thoroughbreds Inc & Bradley Thoroughbreds. B-Henri Alex Pantall & Yvette Chabot (FR). T-Chad C Brown.

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4th-BEL, \$80,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 3/5, ft.

ROOM FOR ME (m, 5, Harlington--Graziella (SW, \$126,048), by Honour and Glory), claimed for \$12,500 off Los Pollos Hermanos Racing and Santa Ines Stable and trainer A C Avila out of a runaway win going a mile at Santa Anita Feb. 12, posted another double-digit victory in her first attempt for David Jacobson in Aqueduct's Videogenic S. Mar. 21. Seeking her third-straight tally here, the 4-5 favorite stalked 24-1 chance Making Havoc (Gottcha Gold) from second, reached even terms at the top of the stretch and powered clear down the lane to post a sharp 4 1/4-length victory. Making Havoc held on for second. Sales history: \$1,200 wlng '10 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: SW, 13-6-1-0, \$151,900. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/T-David Jacobson. B-Stone Briar Stables (KY).

 **Consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency** 

5th-BEL, \$77,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:01 2/5, fm.

QUEEN'S PARADE (f, 4, Giant's Causeway--Queen of Kills, by Unbridled's Song) posted an overdue maiden win in her 3-year-old finale going 1 3/16 miles over the Gulfstream lawn Dec. 26. She returned from the bench with a decent third at Keeneland Apr. 24. Sent off at 5-1 here, she was placed in a perfect spot on the inside in third for most of the way, was angled off the fence at the top of the stretch and forged her way to a 2 1/2-length decision. Pacesetter Perfect Flute (Pleasantly Perfect) was second. Queen's Parade's second dam is millionaire Tomisue's Delight (A.P. Indy). Sales history: \$200,000 wlng '11 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-2, \$114,740. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-WS Farish. B-Hilbert Thoroughbreds Inc & Menard Thoroughbreds Inc (KY). T-Claude R McGaughey III.

 **LANE'S END Sales Graduate** 

9th-BEL, \$60,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:09 4/5, fm.

+ ROYAL ASSET (c, 3, Langfuhr--Royal Relic, by Colonial Affair), sent off as the 2-1 crowd's choice in this debut for hot-handed trainer Wesley Ward, was third past the line, but promoted to first after the disqualification of the first two home. The bay brushed with the starting gate at the bell, but recovered to secure a rail trip in a close-up fourth through the opening quarter. Angled off the rail to make his bid, the sophomore looked primed for a big effort in upper stretch, but was severely squeezed between the duo of Manoffire (Pure Prize) and Fallfire (Tiago), who were launching their rallies. As a result, Royal Asset had to check with about a furlong to travel and crossed the line a well-beaten third behind that pair. Manoffire crossed the line 2 3/4 lengths in front and there was another gap of 2 1/4 lengths back to Royal Asset in the third. After the stewards investigated the incident, Manoffire was demoted to second and Fallfire was placed third. The winner is a half to Mr. Windjammer (Regal Classic), MSW, \$280,675; Karakorum Fugitive (Ten Most Wanted), MSP, \$196,732; and Lady On the Run (Ten Most Wanted), MSW, \$385,600. Sales history: \$55,000 wlng '12 KEENOV; \$185,000 yrl '13 FTNAUG. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Ice Wine Stable. B-Stone Bridge Farm LLC (NY). T-Wesley A Ward.



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Sagamore Farm to Sponsor Pimlico Special:

Kevin Plank's Sagamore Racing will be the named sponsor of the GIII Pimlico Special S. at Old Hilltop May 15, it was announced Friday. In addition to sponsoring the 9 1/2-furlong event, Sagamore will present a check for \$30,000 to Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance in the winner's circle following the race. Located in Glyndon, Maryland, Sagamore is recognized as a premier breeding and training facility and the breeder of multiple graded stakes winner Daring Dancer (Empire Maker) and the owner of graded stakes winners Humble and Hungry (Limehouse) and Millionreasonswhy (Grand Slam) and 2010 GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf winner Shared Account (Pleasantly Perfect). "It only seems fitting that Sagamore Racing, with its rich tradition, partner with the Maryland Jockey Club and Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance to sponsor the Pimlico Special, one of North



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America's most celebrated races," said Maryland Jockey Club's Vice President and General Manager Sal Sinatra. "Kevin Plank's generosity and initiative toward the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance shows his commitment to racing and the Maryland community." Said Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance President Jimmy Bell, "What better way to continue raising national awareness and education than through Kevin Plank's Sagamore Racing sponsoring one of America's oldest and most prestigious races, the Pimlico Special. The leadership and true generosity from Kevin highlights the significance and importance of what the TAA initiative is all about. What an amazing partnership between Sagamore, Pimlico and the TAA. Hopefully this can become a model for even greater things to come."

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▶ Kentucky


Friday's Results:

1st-CDX, \$41,971, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51 2/5, ft. CAT TREE (c, 2, [Discreet Cat](#)--Capacity, by Capote) showed late interest to finish fourth at odds of 5-2 after breaking slowly in his unveiling here Apr. 29. Back on short notice, the 8-1 shot tracked the early leader from second and blew by in the stretch to graduate by 2 1/4 lengths. He's Comin in Hot (Early Flyer) was second. Acapulco (Scat Daddy), favored at 3-5, enjoyed a clear early advantage through an opening quarter in :22.11, but tired badly in the stretch to finish a distant third. The winner is a half-brother to To the Brim (Ascot Knight), SP, \$182,745. Sales history: \$70,000 yrl '14 KEESEP; \$75,000 RNA yrl '14 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$28,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

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Lead outrider Greg Blasi displayed amazing horsemanship prior to the running of the seventh race Friday at Churchill Downs after 4-year-old filly Yodel broke through the starting gate and dumped jockey Chris Landeros. While riding his pony, Blasi grabbed the 4-year-old filly's saddle with his left hand and was able to procure Yodel after a brief runoff prior to the start of the one-mile turf race. As a precaution, Yodel was scratched by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission's state veterinarian. *Churchill Downs/Reed Palmer*



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Koda Chrome (Blue Eyed Streaker), a 3-year-old colt who carries the rare Frame Overo gene, finished third in his debut at Belterra Park Thursday for owner/breeder Karen Babcock and trainer Tom Drury, Jr.



▶ Canada

7th-WOX, \$39,819, Alw, NW2L, (S), 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:10, ft. CLASSY SHADES OF GREY (f, 3, **Kentucky Bear--Bears Princess, by Olmodavor**), a distant 10th in her debut over the Keeneland dirt Apr. 4, has quickly turned it around at Woodbine. She graduated against Ontario-breds with blinkers added Apr. 18 and was favored at 6-5 to put them back to back. Forcing the issue from second, the gray took over entering the home stretch and increased her advantage to the wire. It was 5 1/2 lengths back Del Cielo (Philanthropist) in second. Sales history: C\$5,500 yrl '13 ONTSEP. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$45,713. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-James L Passero & JR Racing Stable Inc. B-Bear Stables LTD (ON). T-John A Ross.



5th-WOX, \$55,423, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44 2/5, ft.

BILLY'S STAR (c, 3, [Perfect Soul {Ire}](#)--Tapatina, by **Seeking the Gold**) was entered in a pair of stakes as a maiden last season, finishing fourth in the grassy Cup and Saucer S. Oct. 12 and seventh in the Coronation Futurity S. Nov. 29. The bay faced the starter once this term, finishing a well-beaten sixth after some early trouble over the Keeneland dirt Apr. 11. Racing without Lasix in this return to the all-weather, the 8-1 shot trailed the field early. Loaded for bear entering the far turn, he began to roll while four wide, took over at the top of the stretch and punched home nicely to graduate by 2 1/2 lengths. Scorch (Candy Ride {Arg}) was second. The victor, a half-brother Internallyflawless (Giant's Causeway), GISW, \$275,598, was produced by a half-sister to European Group 1 winners Hector Protector, Shanghai and Bosra Sham. Sales history: C\$170,000 yrl '13 ONTSEP. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$53,524. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Perfect Timber Partnership. B-Charles Fipke (ON). T-Roger L Attfield.



Jeffrey Begg Named Chief Steward of The Jockey Club:

Jeffrey Begg has been appointed to the position of chief steward of The Jockey Club of Canada, replacing James Lawson, who recently took over from Nick Eaves as the chief executive officer of the Woodbine Entertainment Group. Begg will be nominated to be re-elected by the Members at the annual members' meeting June 14 to serve a term of three years as chief steward.



Jeffrey Begg (right)
Jockey Club of Canada

"The Board of Stewards of the Jockey Club of Canada would like to thank Jim Lawson for his efforts during his time on the Board and as Chief Steward," commented Begg. "We look forward to continuing our amicable and progressive working relationship with Jim in his new role as CEO of Woodbine Entertainment Group." A Steward since 2010, Begg became the chair of the Graded Stakes Committee Chair in 2013 and has overseen the graded stakes evaluation process including the implementation of many changes to stakes evaluations throughout North America. The Graded Stakes Committee recently become responsible for the review of all Listed and blacky-type stakes as well as communicating to the Canadian racing industry the implementation of the NAISCS Race Quality Score (RQS) for all stakes races in North America. Begg is the owner of Windways Farm and has been involved in the Thoroughbred Industry for more than 30 years as a breeder, owner, trainer and equine insurance broker.



California

Friday's Results:

3rd-SAX, \$61,940, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:51 2/5, gd.

TWENTYTWENTYVISION (g, 4, Pollard's Vision--Miss Alphie, by Candi's Gold), a half-brother to Alphie's Bet (Tribal Rule), GSW, \$303,670; and Unusual Heatwave (Unusual Heat), MSW, \$488,752, remained perfect in two tries on the grass with this soft success. A big-figure maiden winner going two turns for the first time over the main track Jan. 30, the handsome bay was a well-beaten third over 8 1/2 furlongs Mar. 6 and most recently cut back to a grassy mile to clear his first allowance condition Apr. 11. Getting a bit more real estate in a race void of any real speed, the 7-2 chance sat just off of favored Footstepsinbronze (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}) and cranked up the pressure on that one midway on the turn. Calling upon his superior stamina from there, the Mandella trainee asserted at the eighth pole and pulled 1 3/4 lengths clear at the wire. Footstepsinbronze and Calm Pacific (Stormy Atlantic) dead heated for second. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-2, \$118,080. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Ellen & Peter O Johnson. B-Peter O Johnson (KY). T-Richard E Mandella.

1st-SAX, \$57,594, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51 2/5, ft. + **KNOWN DEFENSE (r, 2, First Defence--Make Known, by Mt. Livermore)**, a half-brother to Made Up (Bluegrass Cat), MSP, \$297,326, showed plenty of zip in his morning drills, including a best-of-18 three-furlong breeze in :33 4/5 Apr. 22. Quarter-horsed from his inside draw here, the 6-1 chance sped through an opening quarter in :21.76, enjoyed a one-length advantage in the stretch and was saved by the wire in a wild finish. Co-favored Annie's Candy (Twirling Candy) came up a nose short to finish second; it was another head back to Dubdubwatson (Kipling) in third. Sales history: \$5,000 yrl '14 KEESEP; \$7,000 RNA yrl '14 KEEJAN. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Tari Brocklebank. B-Circle Sid Farms (KY). T-John Brocklebank.

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Flores Granted License, To Resume Riding in 10 Days:

Jockey David Flores, stood down for a year for by Singapore Turf Club stewards for a questionable ride at Kranji Racecourse Feb. 22 ([video](#)), has applied for and has been granted a license by the California Horse Racing Board to return to riding in California sometime during the next two weeks. Flores, a one-time leading jockey on the circuit with a trio of Breeders' Cup victories to his credit, will be represented by Jim Pegram. "I'm very happy," Flores said Friday morning. "Uncle Buck [as Pegram is affectionately known by friends and associates] was the one who gave me a call when I was in Singapore the second day [after I had been given the year's ban]. I was down emotionally and took it as it was, and I'm thinking, 'a year,' but when he called me, there was hope. That's what made me take the next step, to come back here and pursue my career again. We've got some history together," Flores added, referring to Pegram, who had his book twice before, from 1993 to 1995 and 1996 into 2004.

CHRB Issues VS Advisory:

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) said Thursday that any horses stabled at or en route from Turf Paradise will be denied access to all California racetracks and all other facilities within CHRB jurisdiction as a result of the California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) determination that a horse at the Phoenix track had been diagnosed with vesicular stomatitis (VS). The CDFA specifically prohibits the transport of horses with VS into the state of California. Horses previously stabled at Turf Paradise are under surveillance and health monitoring. VS is a contagious viral disease that affects horses, cattle and pigs. It can be transmitted by insects or through animal-to-animal contact. While human infection is not common, the virus can produce flulike illness in people.

INDUSTRY INFO

Governor Beshear Submits 2nd Letter to Treasury:

Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear has submitted a second letter to the U.S. Department of the Treasury in support of a new Treasury amendment that would alter procedures regarding withholding and reporting of pari-mutuel winnings. "I support this effort because such updated guidance is urgently needed to aid an industry of great importance to the economic well-being of the Commonwealth of Kentucky," Beshear stated. Added Alex Waldrop, CEO of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, "There continues to be a bipartisan consensus on this issue, especially from elected officials representing areas where Thoroughbred racetracks and breeding farms flourish. We thank Governor Beshear for consistently supporting the best interests of the horse industry."

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

10th-BEL, \$75K, Msw, 3yo, 1m (T), 5:59 p.m. ET

Shadwell Stable homebred **ASBAAD** ([Street Cry {Ire}](#)) makes his debut in this spot as part of a two-horse entry for trainer Kiaran McLaughlin. The bay is the first foal to race out of Lear's Princess (Lear Fan), who captured two of her four starts on the lawn, as well as the 2007 GI Gazelle S. on dirt. His entrymate, **ARGHAD** ([Distorted Humor](#)), and Kingfield Stables' **BUBBA'S D'ORO** ([Medaglia d'Oro](#)) will join him in the starting gate as a pair of half-brothers out of the unraced mare Checkered Flag (A.P. Indy). Both are also half to MGSW Zanjero (Cherokee Run) and GSP Acacia (Cherokee Run). Arnold Zetcher's homebred **INFINITE MIDNIGHT** ([Giant's Causeway](#)), a half to GISW Midnight Interlude (War Chant) and SW Midnight Croomer (War Chant), also makes his initial trip to the post here. Conditioned by Chad Brown, the dark bay has been working steadily since mid- February at Palm Meadows. Rounding out this bounty of well-bred first-timers is **SENROR CASANOVA** ([Medaglia d'Oro](#)), the first foal to race out of SW & MGISP Model ([Giant's Causeway](#)). Showing a consistent series of works dating back to early February at Payson Park for trainer Christophe Clement, the bay's second dam is 2002 G1 One Thousand Guineas runnerup Snowfire (Machiavellian). [Click for Brisnet.com PPs.](#)

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ACE AND THE QUEEN (Jump Start), 5/1/0

3-EVD, Msw, 7f, +Twelve to One, 12-1

AFLEET EXPRESS (Afleet Alex), Gainesway, \$5K, 49/9/0

7-BTP, Stk, 6 1/2f, Boot Legger, \$7K RNA KEE JAN yrl, 9-2

ESKENDEREYA ([Giant's Causeway](#)), Taylor Made, \$18K, 195/28/0

11-CD, Msw, 5 1/2f, +One for London, 30-1

GRASSHOPPER (Dixie Union), Lane's End Texas, \$4K, 52/7/1

7-LS, Stk, 1m, Supermason, \$25K TEX AUG yrl, 7-5

HARLEM ROCKER (Macho Uno), McMahon of Saratoga NY, \$4K, 10/3/0

4-FL, Msw, 5f, +Harlems Halfmoon, 10-1

JAFMIL (Distorted Humor), 10/2/0

8-PRM, Stk, 6f, Jafmils Persuader, 12-1

LOOKIN AT LUCKY (Smart Strike), Ashford Stud, \$15K, 176/39/4

3-BEL, Stk, 1 1/8m, Madefromlucky, \$150K OBS MAR 2yo, 3-1

LORD SHANAKILL (Speightstown), Irish National Stud, \$5K, 119/17/0

10-BEL, Msw, 1mT, +Shinobi (GER), \$185K OBS APR 2yo, 9-2

MARCHFIELD (A.P. Indy), 70/7/0

6-HST, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Peace Arch, \$10K BRC SEP yrl, 9-2

MIDSHIPMAN (Unbridled's Song), Darley, \$8K, 117/31/3

3-AP, Msw, 6f, +Speak Up Sailor, \$65K OBS APR 2yo, 2-1

MR. SILVER (Concorde's Tune), 5/1/0

7-BTP, Stk, 6 1/2f, Blazing Charcoal, 8-1

RIGHT RIGGER (Unbridled's Song), 6/2/0

6-ALB, Stk, 6f, Tea Light, 4-1

SOUTHWESTERN HEAT (Gone West), A & A Ranch, \$3K, 40/8/1

6-ALB, Stk, 6f, Baby Vamp, \$15K RUI MIX yrl, 7-2

7-ALB, Stk, 6f, Gator Heat, 10-1

7-ALB, Stk, 6f, Southern Fire, \$15K RUI MIX yrl, 20-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-BEL, \$65,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2\$X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36 3/5, ft.

PICCOLO FLATS (f, 4, A. P. Warrior--Gold Muff, by Touch Gold) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-2, \$146,762. O-Jonathan Thorne. B-Dr Frank Ariosta (NY). T-Danny Gargan. *\$24,000 wlng '11 KEENOV; \$49,000 RNA yrl '12 FTNAUG.

7th-SAX, \$59,250, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW1\$X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

JENNA'S FAITH (f, 3, Idiot Proof--Jenna's Joy {SP, \$156,808}, by Half Term) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$72,400. O/B-Harold & Pamela Tillema (CA). T-Herbert L Bacorn. *1/2 to Jam'n Jackson (Flower Alley), SW, \$143,290.

8th-WOX, \$54,427, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :57 3/5, ft.

LE VENT (g, 4, [Leroidesanimaux {Brz}](#)--Miss Filibuster {SP, \$123,140}, by Numerous) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$43,107. O-Tucci Stables. B-William J & Anne Scott (ON). T-Sid C Attard.

7th-CDX, \$51,461, 5-7, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 3/16m, 1:57 3/5, ft.

NORTHEAST BOUND (h, 5, Dehere--Comedy Year, by Half a Year) Lifetime Record: 19-2-2-6, \$131,428. O-Robert J Baron. B-Stonehaven Steadings (KY). T-Dale L Romans. *\$25,000 yrl '11 FTKOCT; \$20,000 RNA yrl '11 FTKJUL.



8th-CDX, \$50,904, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23 1/5, ft.

DEL MAR SUNSET (h, 5, [Candy Ride {Arg}](#)--Nymphette, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-2, \$100,843. O-Gary & Mary West. B-Janavar Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Wayne M Catalano. *\$230,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$75,000 RNA wlng '10 KEENOV.

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7th-PIM, \$47,000, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000-\$28,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 1/5, fm.

GOLDEN GLINT (g, 6, [Medaglia d'Oro](#)--Golden Glimmer, by Rahy) Lifetime Record: 10-4-4-0, \$140,370. O-Stronach Stables. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Jose Corrales. * \$65,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP.

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9th-WOX, \$40,149, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04 1/5, ft.

CRAFTY GIZMO (f, 4, [Giant Gizmo](#)--Crafty Madness, by Crafty Prospector) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$59,834. O-Mike & Nick Nosowenko. B-Steven E & Michelle Smith (ON). T-Nicholas Nosowenko. * \$12,000 HRA '14 KEEJAN; C \$14,500 RNA yrl '12 ONTSEP.

8th-GPX, \$39,600, Opt. Clm. (\$16,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :55 4/5, fm.

AWESOMENDENSOME (f, 3, [Mass Media](#)--Rate Shock, by Indian Ocean) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$65,330. O/B-Chester A Bishop (FL). T-Luis M Ramirez.

2nd-IND, \$36,000, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

SON OF A NUT (g, 3, [Unbridled Express](#)--Damie's Peanut, by Stravinsky) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$42,000. O-Sherri L Greenhill. B-Greenhill Racing (IN). T-Jeffrey L Greenhill. * 1/2 to In a Jif (Saintly Look), SW, \$200,885.

8th-PRM, \$35,000, 5-7, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000), NW26MX, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:42 4/5, ft.

GHOST LOCKET (m, 5, [Ghostzapper](#)--Love Locket {MSW, \$190,619}, by Thunder Gulch) Lifetime Record: 16-4-7-1, \$182,856. O/B-Dream Walkin Farms Inc (KY). T-Don Von Hemel.

6th-PRM, \$32,567, 5-7, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 2/5, ft.

KING KID (g, 6, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Very Very (SW, \$187,009), by Royal Academy) Lifetime Record: SP, 30-4-4-3, \$113,615. O-Poindexter Thoroughbreds LLC. B-McKee Stables Inc (KY). T-Lynn Chleborad. * \$35,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP.

4th-PEN, \$31,616, 5-7, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37 1/5, ft.

VERY LUCKY (g, 6, [Istan](#)--Mazel Tov, by Mazel Trick) Lifetime Record: 41-13-6-7, \$218,407. O-Todd M McCarty. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-Timothy C Kreiser. * \$40,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Summer Soiree (War Front), GISW, \$506,180.

2nd-WOX, \$29,155, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW3L, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:03 1/5, ft.

SUPER COLEROSA (c, 3, [Bold Executive](#)--Minstrel Show, by Tale of the Cat) Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-3-2-1, \$110,505. O-Frank Romano. B-Windways Farm Limited & Paradox Farm Inc (ON). T-Michael P De Paulo. * C \$32,000 yrl '13 ONTSEP.

3rd-TDN, \$27,000, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41 1/5, ft.

CANDY WAR (f, 3, [War Chant](#)--Canderic, by Runaway Groom) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$31,050. O-Marion F Gorham. B-Patti Dickinson (MI). T-Robert M Gorham. * 1/2 to Real Candy (Real Quiet), GSW, \$137,833.

6th-TDN, \$27,000, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 3/5, ft.

CURIOUS RUTH (f, 4, [Langfuhr](#)--Coed Ruth E. {SW, \$125,148}, by Private School) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$42,074. O/B-Robert A Reeves (KY). T-Donn A Rowe.

2nd-CTX, \$26,000, 5-7, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :53 1/5, ft.

CRAFTY PUNCH (g, 5, [Two Punch](#)--Crafty Brat {MSW & GSP, \$239,749}, by Lucky Lionel) Lifetime Record: 13-2-1-2, \$46,364. O/T-John S Adams Jr. B-James W Casey (WV).

8th-CTX, \$26,000, 5-7, NW2X, 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52, ft.

ALY'S TAP (g, 4, [Northern Afleet](#)--Tapforaly, by Pleasant Tap) Lifetime Record: SP, 14-4-4-2, \$99,258. O-A & B Racing Stable LLC. B-A B Bloodstock (WV). T-Christopher M Keller. * Full to Nay's Tap, MSW, \$275,758.

8th-FLX, \$20,400, NW3BX, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53, ft.

SHARON SPAGETTI (m, 5, [Frost Giant](#)--Ginger n Sugar, by Gold Token) Lifetime Record: SP, 26-6-4-6, \$145,109. O/B-Gabrielle Farm (NY). T-Jeremiah C Englehart.

6th-CTX, \$19,000, 5-7, Opt. Clm. (\$10,000), 1 \$Y + X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.

LIAM'S SONG (g, 8, [Saint Liam](#)--Dootsie {SW, \$117,142}, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: SP, 29-8-7-4, \$206,587. O-No Guts No Glory Stable. B-Daniel J Burke & Kathleen Schweizer (KY). T-Gina Rosenthal. * \$35,000 RNA yrl '08 KEESEP.

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+ **Moon Dune Man**, c, 2, [Malibu Moon](#)--Urge to Splurge (SP), by Successful Appeal. EVD, 5-7, (S), 4 1/2f, :53 2/5. B-Carrol J Castille (LA).

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Sir Orinoco, c, 3, [Harlington](#)--Queen's College (SP), by Carson City. PIM, 5-8, 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Stonehaven Steadings (KY). * \$14,000 yrl '13 KEESEP; \$45,000 2yo '14 OBSAPR.

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Beautiful Bird, f, 3, [Old Fashioned](#)--Flying Lauren (MSP, \$171,567), by Storm Bird. PRM, 5-7, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-River Ridge Ranch (IA).



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Racen, f, 3, **Philanthropist**--Frenchie, by Maria's Mon. WOX, 5-8, (S), 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05 1/5. B-Paul Buttigieg (ON). *C\$22,000 RNA yrl '13 ONTSEP.

Class Crest, f, 3, **Sharp Humor**--Right Daddy, by Yes It's True. CTX, 5-7, (S), 4 1/2f, :53. B-Coleswood Farm Inc & Dan Ryan (WV).

Five Star Lustre, f, 4, **Five Star Day**--Fairyland Lustre, by Sligo Bay (Ire). EVD, 5-7, (S), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Columbine Stable LLC (LA).



Friday's Results:

BETFAIR DEE S.-Listed, £75,000, CHE, 5-8, 3yo, c/g, 10f 75yT, 2:21.04, sf.

1--**#NOT SO SLEEPY (GB)**, 126, g, 3, by **Beat Hollow (GB)**

1st Dam: **Papillon de Bronze (Ire)**, by **Marju (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Soviet Maid (Ire)**, by **Soviet Star**

3rd Dam: **Troyanna (GB)**, by **Troy (GB)**

O/B-Lady Blyth (GB); T-Hugh Morrison; J-Jim Crowley. £42,533. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, £46,308.

2--**Disegno (Ire)**, 126, c, 3, **Fastnet Rock (Aus)**--Seven Magicians, by Silver Hawk. O-Niarchos Family. £16,125.

3--**Prince Gagarin (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Cara Fantasy (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O-Windflower Overseas & John Dunlop OBE. £8,070.

Margins: SHD, 2, 3 3/4. Odds: 11.00, 2.75, 2.75.

Also Ran: **Smuggler's Cove (Ire)**. Scratched: **Nafaqa (Ire)**, **Snoano (GB)**, **Yeenaan (Fr)**.

In a renewal significantly weakened by three defections and further rain, the gelding Not So Sleepy emerged to put the nail in the coffin of what is often a notable G1 Epsom Derby trial. Successful on debut over an extended mile at Nottingham in mid-October, the chestnut was pitched into Newbury's G3 Horris Hill S. over seven furlongs just 10 days later but threw away any chance by pulling too hard and winding up last of the six runners. Kept wide early away from his trio of better-fancied rivals, he had the lead by the first turn and turned the screw approaching the final bend. Tackled and headed by Disegno with a furlong left, Not Too Sleepy kept digging in and managed to wrest back the advantage in the final strides. "We thought there wouldn't be a great pace and he'd be happier up front, as he's tough and settled well there," trainer Hughie Morrison said. "He's always been quite keen and he's been going well ever since he was gelded, which was a brave decision by the owners. He has no big plans, but he could go to France and we'll get the pattern book out now." [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)



6th-ASC, £8,000, Hcp, 3yo, 8fT, 1:39.45, gd.
CILENTO (IRE) (c, 3, **Raven's Pass**--Kapria {Fr} {GSP-Fr}, by **Simon du Desert** {Fr}), a 120,000gns TATOCT yearling who opened his account over seven furlongs at Wolverhampton in December, was reserved early towards the rear of the group racing up the center. Cajoled to close inside the last three furlongs, the 6-1 shot battled past Weld Al Emarat (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) inside the final 100 yards en route to a half-length verdict. The winner is a half-brother to Dream Eater (Ire) (Night Shift), SW & G1SP-Eng, MGSP-Tur, \$659,201. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, £8,692. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Normandie Stud Ltd (GB). T-John Gosden.

6th-CHE, £12,000, Mdn, 3yo, f, 7f 2yT, 1:37.89, sf.
VIBE QUEEN (GB) (f, 3, **Invincible Spirit** {Ire}--Be My Queen {Ire} {SP-Ire}, by **Sadler's Wells**), a promising fourth at Newbury on debut last time Apr. 17, missed a beat at the kick and chased the leaders trapped wide in fifth after the early exchanges of this return. Inching into contention at halfway, the 10-3 chance seized control on the home turn and was ridden out in the short straight to prevail by five lengths from Rivers of Babylon (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £8,124. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O/B-Lady Bamford (GB). T-John Gosden.

2nd-ASC, £8,000, Mdn, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:00.36, gd.
+ **BESHARAH (IRE)** (f, 2, **Kodiak** {GB}--Dixieland Kiss, by **Dixie Union**), sent off at 8-1, was held up in rear of the group racing up the center throughout the early stages before being shifted across to join the stand's side pack approaching the three-furlong marker. Picking up in impressive fashion to gain the lead just before the 100-yards marker, the 30,000gns TATDEC weanling and £85,000 TATOCT yearling was pushed out to best Kassia (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) by 1 1/4 lengths. "She's been working well, but ours normally improve for a run," trainer William Haggas's wife Maureen explained. "Pat [Cosgrave] said he took his time and gave her a chance and she picked up really well. She's only small, but she's got a nice attitude and a good way about her. She is definitely going to need another run to go to Royal Ascot, so we'll talk to the owners." Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,175. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum. B-Mr G Kerin (Ire). T-William Haggas.



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Equine Medical Institute www.hagyard.com**3rd-ASC, £8,000, Mdn, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:12.28, gd.****+ FRENCH DRESSING (GB), f, 3, by Sea the Stars (Ire)****1st Dam: Foodbroker Fancy (Ire) (MSW & GSP-Eng), by Halling****2nd Dam: Red Rita (Ire), by Kefeah****3rd Dam: Katie Roche (Ire), by Sallust (GB)**

Sent off the 4-1 joint-second favorite in this intriguing maiden, French Dressing was positioned in sixth early under cover against the rail. Angled outside once the sprint was underway with a quarter mile to race, the bay showed a sharp turn of foot to inhale Distain (GB) (Champs Elysees {GB}) at the furlong pole and surge to an impressive 1 1/2-length success. Owner-breeder Philippa Cooper was on hand to witness the win and said, "I was quite surprised to see her run so well, as my horses are usually works in progress and William said this one has a real turn of foot and that a mile and a quarter is definitely her trip. I lost her mother two months ago in horrific circumstances and she was like one of my best friends, so it was very emotional tonight. We'll take it one day at a time, but maybe, off the top of my head, something like the Listed Ballymacoll Stud S. might suit her at Newbury next month." The winner is a half-sister to Dalvina (GB) (Grand Lodge), GSW-US, SW & GSP-Eng, GSP-Ire, \$212,993; and also to the dam of Sultanina (GB) (New Approach {Ire}), G1SW-Eng, \$303,559. Entity (GB) (Shamardal), the daughter of Echelon (GB) (Danehill), failed to make an impact in seventh. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,175. [Click for the Racing Post result](#), or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Normandie Stud Ltd (GB). T-John Gosden.



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7th-LNG, £5,000, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:27.10, gd.

+ IJMAALY (IRE) (c, 3, Makfi {GB}--Wedding Gown {GB}, by Dubai Destination) was let go as the 3-1 second choice and found cover along the rail in a share of third beyond halfway in this unveiling. Angled off the fence into a clear lane passing the two pole, the 300,000gns TATOCT yearling soon held sway and stretched clear under urging inside the final furlong to score by an impressive 12 lengths from Fleeting Strike (GB) (Acclamation {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,235. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Godolphin. B-Kildaragh Stud (Ire). T-Saeed bin Suuroo.

1st-LNG, £5,000, Mdn, 3yo, 11f 106yT, 2:38.21, gd. L'INGENUE (GB) (f, 3, [New Approach {Ire}](#)--Green Room {Fr} {SW-Ity & MSP-Eng, \$104,281}, by In the Wings {GB}), who finished just off the board at Newbury on debut last time Oct. 25, was steadied in fourth after the initial stages of this sophomore bow. Looming large soon after turning for home, the 5-2 second choice challenged with three furlongs remaining and was urged clear once taking over at the eighth pole to score by six lengths from Mystery Code (GB) (Tobougg {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,620. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Nigel & Carolyn Elwes. B-Aylesfield Farms Stud (GB). T-Ralph Beckett.

1st-RIP, £5,000, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.74, sf.

+ HOLY GRAIL (IRE) (f, 2, [Canford Cliffs {Ire}](#)--Dashing Beauty {Ire}, by Daggers Drawn), sent off at 5-1, chased the pace with two behind early. Taking time to reach top gear, the £25,000 DONAUG and €25,000 GOFFEB yearling responded to driving to grab the lead in the last 50 yards and assert for a 1 1/2-length score from Pippin Street (GB) (Assertive {GB}). Holy Grail becomes the second winner for her first-season sire (by Tagula {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,235. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Merchants and Missionaries. B-D A McGregor (Ire). T-Richard Fahey.

2nd-NOT, £4,500, Mdn, 2yo, f, 5f 13yT, 1:01.58, gd/sf.

+ KEPT UNDER WRAPS (IRE) (f, 2, [Clodovil {Ire}](#)--Chatifa {Ire}, by Titus Livius {Fr}), sent off the 11-4 pick, disputed the early lead with Lil's Joy (Ire) (Lilbourne Lad {Ire}) but was in front by halfway. Pushed out to assert from that rival, the £40,000 TATOCT yearling whose dam is a half to Dylan Thomas (Ire), Queen's Logic (Ire) and Homecoming Queen (Ire) et al, recorded a half-length score. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,911. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Mr John Jackson. B-Rathasker Stud (Ire). T-Richard Fahey.

3rd-NOT, £4,500, Mdn, 3yo, 10f 50yT, 2:16.35, gd/sf. RAW IMPULSE (GB) (c, 3, [Makfi {GB}](#)--Marika {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Marju {Ire}), who was sixth on debut

over a mile at Newbury Apr. 18, started at 9-2 and raced in second throughout the early stages. Left in the lead with a quarter-mile to race, the 50,000gns TATOCT yearling gradually asserted for a comfortable two-length success from Baadi (GB) (Dansili {GB}). The winner is a half-brother to Sabratah (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), MSW & GSP-Fr, \$165,452. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,068. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#). O-Qatar Racing Limited. B-Shutford Stud (GB). T-Clive Cox.

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4th-NOT, £4,500, Mdn, 3yo, f, 8f 75yT, 1:51.75, gd/sf.

MELODIOUS (GB) (f, 3, [Cape Cross {Ire}](#)--Gower Song {GB} {GSW-UAE, SW & GSP-Eng, \$283,354}, by [Singspiel {Ire}](#)), who was staying on to be second over seven furlongs on Kempton's Polytrack in October, raced close to the early pace against the rail before being left behind as Lovely Surprise (Ire) (Shamardal) struck for home in midstretch. Game in pursuit, the 7-1 shot wore her down in the last 75 yards for a length success. Sales history: 45,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, £7,074. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Mrs Doreen Tabor. B-Usk Valley Stud (GB). T-David Elsworth.

Saturday, Lingfield, post time: 2:55 p.m.

BETFRED.COM DERBY TRIAL S.-Listed, £100,000, 3yo, c/g, 11f 106yT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	2	Bartholomew Fair (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Kirby	Cumani
2	3	Christophermarlowe	Tapit	Dettori	Gosden
3	5	Kilimanjaro (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien
4	1	Magic Dancer (GB)	Norse Dancer (Ire)	Dobbs	Beckett
5	4	Red Tornado (Fr)	Dr Fong	Atzeni	H Dunlop

All carry 126 pounds.

Christophermarlowe puts his unbeaten record on the line in the latest prep for Epsom's blue riband, having already proven adept around those Surrey contours when winning the Apr. 22 Investec Derby Trial over 10 furlongs. Luca Cumani's horses have thrived in the last fortnight and **Bartholomew Fair** represents the stable successful with the subsequent Derby heroes Kahyasi (Ire) in 1988 and High-Rise (Ire) in 1998. He took a Yarmouth maiden in style in September before finishing seventh in the G3 Autumn S. at Newmarket in October. "We feel that he is up to this sort of level, but whether he will stay the trip is something we are not quite so certain of," his conditioner commented. "His dam, Rebecca Sharp, was a miler and she is by Machiavellian who raced over six furlongs to a mile." Aidan O'Brien puts forward the Apr. 24 Dundalk maiden scorer **Kilimanjaro**, while Ralph Beckett supplies the unexposed **Magic Dancer**, who returns after a convincing Windsor maiden success in late October.

Saturday, Lingfield, post time: 2:20 p.m.

BETFRED MOBILE OAKS TRIAL S.-Listed, £37,000, 3yo, f, 11f 106yT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	7	Affileo (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Kingscote	Kubler
2	8	Bellajeu (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	Atzeni	Beckett
3	9	Maybelater (GB)	Mount Nelson (GB)	Dobbs	Portman
4	1	Mercy Me (GB)	Mawathee	Powell	J Ryan
5	6	Miss Giler (GB)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Dettori	Gosden
6	4	Nadder (GB)	Notnowcato (GB)	Probert	Balding
7	2	Supreme Occasion (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Kirby	O'Meara
8	11	Tidal Moon (GB)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Morris	Channon
9	3	Toujours l'Amour (GB)	Authorized (Ire)	Bentley	Haggas
10	10	Vive Ma Fille (Ger)	Doyen (Ire)	Buick	Johnston
11	5	Wedding Vow (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Moore	A O'Brien

All carry 126 pounds.

This prep is more likely to throw up a main protagonist for the Epsom Classic than the colts' equivalent, with a subsequent Oaks winner and two runner's-up having contested this in the last seven editions. **Cont.**

Aidan O'Brien sends across the maiden **Wedding Vow**, whose latest piece of form when second to Legatissimo (Ire) (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}) in Gowran Park's Listed Victor McCalmont Memorial S. Apr. 26 took on another dimension after Sunday's G1 1000 Guineas. Last year's G2 May Hill S. fourth **Supreme Occasion** offers more proven black-type form to the mix, while the unexposed types include Team Valor's unbeaten **Affileo**. Unbeaten in two starts at Wolverhampton, she is stepped up markedly in trip following her latest outing over 9 1/2 furlongs on the Tapeta there Apr. 2.

Fennell Creates Al Shaqab Lockinge Trophy:

Theo Fennell, a British jewelry designer, has created the first Al Shaqab Lockinge Trophy, which will be presented to the connections of the winner of the G1 Al Shaqab Lockinge S. at Newbury Racecourse May 16. Crafted from solid silver, the trophy has been engraved by hand and hallmarked in London. "We are thrilled at Theo Fennell to have been commissioned to design and handcraft the Al Shaqab Lockinge trophy, said jeweler Theo Fennell. "We feel the piece reflects the importance of the race, the traditions of Newbury Racecourse and the deep commitment of Al Shaqab to this great sport. It has been a joy to have been involved in this project." Added Harry Herbert, Racing Advisor to Al Shaqab, "The Al Shaqab Lockinge is a race very close to our hearts having won it last year with Olympic Glory. Being a very prestigious race, we felt it was essential to honor the achievements of the winner appropriately and what better way to do that than with a trophy designed and made by the world famous British jeweler, Theo Fennell."



Friday's Results:

PRIX VOLTERRA-Listed, €55,000, CHY, 5-8, 3yo, f, 8fT, 1:39.07, sf.

1--#NIGHT OF LIGHT (IRE), 128, f, 3, by Sea the Stars (Ire)

1st Dam: Celestial Lagoon (Jpn) (SP-Fr), by Sunday Silence

2nd Dam: Metaphor, by Woodman

3rd Dam: Mystery Rays, by Nijinsky II

O/B-Niarchos Family (Ire). T-Pascal Bary; J-Stephane Pasquier. €27,500. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 6 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €80,000. *1/2 to Maria Gabriella (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), SW & GSP-Fr, \$163,247; and Roatan (GB) (Daylami {Ire}), MSP-Fr, \$429,748.

2--Pearly Steph (Fr), 123, f, 3, [Oasis Dream \(GB\)](#)--Pearl Banks (GB), by Pivotal (GB). O-Haras de Saint Pair. €11,000.

3--Rosie Cotton (Ire), 123, f, 3, [King's Best](#)--Luce (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O-Ballygallon Stud Ltd. €8,250. Margins: NO, 1HF, NK. Odds: 2.80, 2.70, 7.70. Also Ran: Xaarina (Fr), Stormy Victoria (Fr), Havre de Paix (Fr), Shanawest (Fr), Alpine Spirit (Ire), Blue Kimono (Ire). **Cont. p10**



'TDN Rising Star' Night of Light followed a debut win in a decent 7 1/2-furlong contest at Deauville in August with a second in the G3 Prix d'Aumale over this track and trip the following month. Sixth in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp on Arc day, the homebred ran second to Ameenah (Fr) (American Post {GB}) in the G3 Prix Miesque over seven furlongs at Maisons-Laffitte in November and was fourth behind Ervedya (Fr) (Siyouni {Fr}) and that rival back over that course and distance in the Apr. 2 G3 Prix Imprudence when last seen. Sent forward from her wide draw to gain the early lead by the first turn, the homebred kicked inside the final quarter mile and that proved decisive, as Pearly Steph was delivered wide and slightly too late. "She deserved to win such a race and considering she was giving weight, that was a good performance," conditioner Pascal Bary said. "We will try to go up in class again and come back here for the [May 31] G2 Prix de Sandringham." [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

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2nd-CHY, €25,000, Mdn, unraced 2yo, 5fT, :59.09, sf. + SIDERANTE (FR) (f, 2, Siyouni {Fr}--Capsicum {GB}, by Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}), a €37,000 ARQV2Y yearling, was well away to stalk the pace in a close third from the outset of this first go. Nudged along for her bid passing the quarter-mile marker, the 17-10 favorite led soon after and was pushed out in the closing stages to comfortably best Wootton's Walk (Fr) (Wootton Bassett {GB}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €12,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Nicolas Saltiel & Ecurie David Salabi. B-Thierry de la Heronniere & Mme Marie-Joelle Goetschy (Fr). T-Carlos & Yann Lerner.

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HRI Announced New Appointments:

Horse Racing Ireland has appointed several nominees to various posts, the organization announced Friday. Dermot Cantillon will succeed John Oxx as Chairman of Irish Thoroughbred Marketing and Gerry Duffy of Darley has been appointed to take the place of Joe Osborne. Henry de Bromhead will succeed the late Dessie Hughes on the Leopardstown Committee. "I am pleased to announce these various appointments and I am grateful to the nominees for giving their time so generously to the various sub-committees and boards," said Horse Racing Ireland CEO Brian Kavanagh. "We look forward to working closely with all nominees in the future.

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Australasia

Inglis Classic Autumn Book Posts High Clearance:

The single session 2015 Inglis Classic Yearling Sale Autumn Book saw 71 of the 84 yearlings offered find new homes for an 84.5% clearance rate Friday, grossing A\$467,750. The top price of A\$26,000 was reached by [lot 8](#), a son of Husson (Arg) out of Sunday's Choice (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), who sold to Tim Roberts Bloodstock. The Victoria Park-consigned colt is from the family of G1SW Dantelah (Aus) (Volksraad {GB}). The average was A\$6,588 and the median was A\$4,750. After the conclusion of the Classic Yearling Sale Autumn Book, the May Thoroughbred Sale commenced. A total of 11 racehorses sold, with a top price of A\$34,000. For more information and the results, go to www.inglis.com.au.

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• No. Offered	84	141
• No. Sold	71	102
• RNAs	13	39
• % RNAs	15.5%	27.7%
• High Price	A\$26,000	A\$50,000
• Gross	A\$467,750	A\$936,050
• Average (% change)	A\$6,588 (-28.2%)	A\$9,177
• Median (% change)	A\$4,750 (-5%)	A\$5,000

Supplementary Catalogue Out for NZB National Sale:

A total of nine supplementary entries have been added to the New Zealand Bloodstock's National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Bloodstock Sale May 11-13. The supplementary entries consist of a weanling ([lot 596](#)) by freshman sire Burgundy (NZ) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), two racehorse entries, five broodmare entries and a stallion share in Alamosa (NZ) (O'Reilly {NZ}). The sale begins at 11 a.m. local time May 11. For more information or for the catalogue, go to www.nzb.co.nz/sales.

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	6	California Memory	Highest Honor (Fr)	Suborics	A Cruz	133
2	10	Khaya (NZ)	Librettist	Rawiller	Size	129
3	9	Rainbow Chic (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	Purton	Fownes	128
4	3	Thunder Fantasy (Aus)	Lucky Owners (NZ)	Prebble	Size	128
5	4	Got Fly (Fr)	Early March (GB)	Whyte	Gibson	124
6	7	Bubble Chic (Fr)	Chichicasteango (Fr)	Lane	Hall	122
7	13	Hlne Happy Star (Ire)	Zamindar	Callan	Moore	122
8	5	Wyfoong Exprss (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Teetan	Gibson	115
9	2	Savvy Nature (NZ)	Savabeel (Aus)	Moreira	Moore	115
10	1	Shamkiyr (Fr)	Sea the Stars (Ire)	Leung	Gibson	113
11	12	Renaissance Art	More Than Ready	Yeung	Fownes	113
12	8	Tke It To The Limit (Fr)	Rashbag (GB)	So	Gibson	113
13	11	Lucky Omens (Aus)	Lucky Owners (NZ)	Ng	A Cruz	113

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HANDICAP RESULT:

5th-ASC, £30,000, 5-8, 3yo, 7fT, 1:25 1/5, gd.
MISTER UNIVERSE (GB) (c, 3, [Cape Cross {Ire}](#)--Miss
Ivanhoe {Ire} {SW-Fr & MSP-Eng}, by Selkirk) Lifetime
 Record: SP-Eng, 7-2-1-1, £35,927. O-Mr Abdulla Al
 Mansoori. B-Car Colston Hall Stud (GB). T-Mark
 Johnston. *70,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Effectual (GB), f, 3, [Exceed and Excel \(Aus\)](#)--Our Faye
 (GB) (GSW-Eng, \$195,433), by College Chapel (GB).
 LNG, 5-8, 6fT, 1:14.05. B-J B J Richards (GB).
 *72,000gns yrl '13 TATOCT.



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