



KEENELAND GIVES INT'L BUYERS OPTION TO TEST FOR BHA DRUG STANDARDS

by T.D. Thornton

In an effort to provide steroid-free assurance and as a means to help international buyers meet new British Horse Racing Authority (BHA) testing guidelines for horses they plan on exporting, Keeneland Association, Inc., announced a new sales condition on Wednesday.



Bill Thomason |
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At the time of sale, the buyer will check the appropriate box for BHA testing on the Acknowledgement of Purchase and Security Agreement for horses which will be exported to Great Britain within 60 days of purchase. Keeneland will then arrange for a blood sample to be taken by a veterinarian immediately after purchase and prior to the horse leaving the sales grounds. The sample will be sent to a laboratory in England selected by the BHA. If the BHA post-sale test is positive for

anabolic steroids, the buyer has the right, within 24 hours of notification, to rescind the sale and return the horse to the consignor.

BHA anti-doping guidelines that went into effect Mar. 2 mandate that "a horse must not be administered an anabolic steroid at any point in its life" under penalty of being ineligible to start in Britain for 14 months.

In addition, United States-based Thoroughbreds exported into Britain to race must now have registration paperwork turned in 14 days prior to arrival and must be in the country and available for testing 10 business days in advance of their intended race (permanent imports have a separate, although similar, set of guidelines). The new Keeneland testing option will help speed up that process.

"By implementing this new condition of sale, which addresses the BHA's enhanced policy, our British and European buyers will have added confidence that horses bought here can train and race in Great Britain," Keeneland President and Chief Executive Officer Bill Thomason said.

Keeneland--like the Fasig-Tipton, Ocala Breeders' Sales, and Barretts Equine Limited sales companies--already abides by a 2008 Sales Integrity Program guideline that prohibits exogenous anabolics in horses 45 days prior to an auction.

Keeneland currently offers buyers the right to order a \$500 blood test on any horse purchased at its sales to ensure that the horse meets the 45-day steroid-free rule. If the horse tests positive, the buyer has the right to have the sale rescinded. **Cont. p3**

SARATOGA PREVIEW

by Mike Kane

When Saratoga Race Course reopened in 1946 after being closed for three years during World War II, residents of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. were giddy. Many had feared the sport, which had been so important to the little upstate city since the 1860s, was gone for good.

On Monday, Aug 5, the *Saratogian* newspaper carried the front-page banner headline that told the story: "Crowds Jam City for Return of Racing." The first day of that 24-day season

drew an opening-day record crowd of 15,168.

Historic Saratoga Race Course, America's oldest and most revered track, opens for business once again on Friday, launching the 147th summer of Thoroughbred racing in the city. The 10-race program, featuring the Gill Lake George S. and the Gill Schuylerville S., is the starting point of a 40-day season that runs through Sept. 7. During the 70th consecutive Saratoga season since WWII, the New York Racing Association will present what is generally considered the highest-caliber meet in the nation, highlighted by 69 stakes worth a record \$18.7 million in purses. **Cont. p4**



Heading for home at the Spa
Sherackatthetrack

ANOTHER PHILADELPHIA FLYER?

by Steve Sherack

After pulling off a monumental upset at 36-1 with Poseidon's Warrior (Speightstown) in the 2012 GI Alfred G. Vanderbilt H., Thomas McGrath's Swilcan Stable returns to the Spa with another intriguing Parx invader for Friday's opening day co-feature.

Little Miss Miss (Mineshaft), a five-length debut winner in a scratched-down field of three in Bensalem June 21 ([video](#)), will break from post two in the Gill Schuylerville S. Trained by Butch Reid, the \$30,000 FTMSEP yearling purchase is a 30-1 shot on the morning line. Maria Remedio will ride.

"We're all very excited to get up there again for another stakes race," McGrath commented. "I just remember Butch tackling me [after the Vanderbilt]. And, if you've ever seen the size of him, he's built like a football player. My glasses were all twisted on my face and I was a little dizzy getting down to the winner's circle!"

McGrath concluded with a laugh, "So, hopefully he doesn't repeat that if we're lucky enough to do it again Friday." **Cont. p6**

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Keeneland/Thornton cont.

A Keeneland press release stated that the new BHA-related condition of sale “mirrors” the U.S. version of anabolic steroid testing, but there is actually a subtle nuance: The U.S. testing only guarantees that a horse is steroid-free for 45 days. The BHA standard is supposed to ascertain that a horse has been steroid-free for its entire life.

When the preliminary BHA guidelines were first announced in 2014, hair sampling was defined as the testing standard, because hair sampling is considered more exacting than blood sampling in determining the lifetime presence of substances.

But in March 2015, the BHA announced that blood testing would be used while hair testing got phased in. Then, on June 4, BHA chief executive Nick Rust told delegates at the Pan American Racing Conference in New York that, “We don’t have enough confidence yet in hair testing...as science improves, we would expect to introduce that at a point in the future. At the moment, we’re relying on the blood samples.”

So Keeneland exports to Britain will have blood drawn for the time being, rather than having hair clipped for the more accurate hair tests that are envisioned as the eventual British standard.

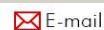
Geoffrey Russell, Keeneland’s Director of Sales, affirmed that no matter what time standard or testing method the BHA uses, buyers will have the right to have their sales rescinded if the test comes up positive for steroids.

“Their results are final. If the BHA test comes back as positive, the buyer has the right to rescind the sale,” Russell said. “I’m not a scientist, so I don’t know how far back they can go to test blood. They will be developing into hair testing, which will definitely be able to test the lifetime of the horse.”

In its press release announcing the new testing initiative, Keeneland said no horse from its sales has ever tested positive based on the 45-day rule. Russell said he did not have information immediately available to confirm how many horses actually undergo the U.S. version of the elective testing.

“BHA rules of racing do not seek to regulate any international racing or breeding industries,” BHA Director of Raceday Operations and Regulation Jamie Stier said. “However, we welcome the proactive, constructive and collaborative approach taken by Keeneland to offer this extra service to their customers who are intending to purchase a horse to enter the British market.”

When asked if he got a sense from international buyers and sellers that there was a desire for the U.S. to move toward Britain’s zero-tolerance policy on steroids, Russell said, “I haven’t had any discussions like that with any European buyers.” Russell added: “The conditions of sale are always very flexible and fluid. As the market changes, so do the conditions of sale. Keeneland’s attitude is that we wish to remain the global marketplace, so we have to adapt.”



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Saratoga/Kane cont.

In March, a report commissioned by a Saratoga County agency showed just how much racing means to the region on an annual basis: \$237 million and 2,600 jobs.

Trainer George Weaver, who lost his talented 3-year-old colt Tencendur (Warrior's Reward) to injury this week, said the Spa racing season stands apart.

"The best way I put it is the Saratoga meet is like the pinnacle of the year," he said. Weaver noted that horsemen point to Saratoga as a showcase for their top runners and that many of the best 2-year-olds show off their talent.

Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who will celebrate his 80th birthday Sept. 2, said he still gets excited about the Saratoga season.



Paid Picnic Table Area | Mike Kane

"Definitely, because it's so competitive," he said. "I like the big arena, The Derbys, the Breeders' Cups, the Preaknesses, the Belmonts, they fuel me very much. And Saratoga is that every day almost because of the stakes schedule. I

just wish I was more competitive. But, hell, I am in complete denial; I think I'm competitive."

Not everyone is happy about what NYRA is doing at Saratoga. At its meeting Tuesday, the Saratoga Springs City Council unanimously passed a resolution requesting more jurisdictional control over what takes place on the property now owned by the State of New York. City officials residents were surprised in late April when, without warning, NYRA submitted redevelopment plans that had laid dormant for about two years, to the state's Franchise Oversight Board.

"While this City Council is encouraged to hear that NYRA will be acting to improve track facilities, to date, the city has been given no opportunity to participate in any discussion regarding specific improvements," the *Albany Times Union* reported the resolution said. "This is a significant concern."

The city council said some of the proposed changes would impact surrounding neighborhoods, vehicle and pedestrian traffic, public safety and the infrastructure.

NYRA President and CEO Chris Kay was severely criticized by some columnists and commentators when he announced in June that NYRA had eliminated its free pre-season open house, would start offering customers the opportunity to pay to reserve picnic tables during the meet and that a sports bar with reserved seating at tables would occupy the lower floor of the Carousel.

Previously, all picnic tables and seating in the Carousel were available on a first-come, first-served basis.

In his column in the (Schenectady, N.Y.) *Daily Gazette*, Mike MacAdam blasted Kay's approach.

"With creepy corporate Disneyspeak, he comes across like a smarmy con man, telling us why cancelling the free open house the Sunday before the meet starts is a good idea, for instance," MacAdam wrote.

"Or why paying to reserve a picnic table is a good idea.

"Or why paying to reserve a table at the new sports bar on the ground floor of the Carousel is a good idea.

"They just keep adding layers of cost to the fans and bettors. They continue to introduce pockets of exclusivity in what historically has been one of the most democratic places in the country, the racetrack."

Kay also took heat in the local media when it was learned that about a half-dozen old trees in the backyard were cut down to make room for a structure to house the Saratoga Walk of Fame, which Kay created after he was hired in June 2013.

During that pre-season media event, Lynn LaRocca, NYRA's Senior Vice President & Chief Experience Officer, said that two of the four popular product giveaway days were being moved to weekdays because the company had received complaints from people who could not get to the track on weekends.

As always, the GI Travers for 3-year-olds on Aug. 29 is the marquee event. It might include racing's biggest star, Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneer of the Nile), but his connections have not committed to a race beyond his scheduled appearance in the GI Haskell Invitational Aug. 2 at Monmouth Park. A performance at Saratoga appears to be a longshot, at best.

While Lukas figures there is zero chance that American Pharoah will run in the Travers, he said the colt should be at Saratoga.

"I think if you were a purist, you would have to say that he should run here because this is the showcase place of the world at this time of year," Lukas said. "You've got Ascot, you've got the Breeders' Cup, you've got the Triple Crown, but this is one of them."

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D. Wayne Lukas | Mike Kane



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12pm Lunch

1:00pm Thoroughbred Demonstrations
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Saratoga Preview cont.

Noting that many of racing's all-time greats have lost at Saratoga, Lukas said that American Pharoah would prevail if he ran in the Travers.

"Good horses get beat here and not everyone likes it," Lukas said. "But in my heart I think he is so much the best that I think he could run here and not worry about it."



Saratoga Paddock | *Mike Kane*

Well before American Pharoah embarked on his brilliant 3-year-old campaign, NYRA officials had finalized plans to build the Travers into a monster day. Three Grade I races, the Sword

Dancer, the Personal Ensign and the Forego, were added to the lineup of the 13-race program to give it a total of six Grade I races.

The changes in the Travers card follow by one year the moves made to bulk up the Whitney Day program by Martin Panza, the Senior Vice President of Racing Operations. Panza's tinkering with the Whitney and Travers programs resulted in the reduction of stakes on other days. During the June meeting of the NYRA Re-Organization Board, John Hendrickson, husband of Marylou Whitney and advisor to the board, commented that the stacking of stakes diminished the quality of the other days.

Todd Pletcher takes aim at his sixth consecutive training title and 12th overall. The seven-time Eclipse Award winner as the nation's leading trainer said he and his staff want to lead the Saratoga standings in 2015.

"We always emphasize this meet and it's a meet that we look forward to," he said. "A lot of 2-year-olds are starting to get ready and it's going to tell us a lot about our future. Yeah, we want to win it. You do everything you can to prepare for it and see what happens."

Like his mentor, Lukas, Pletcher said it's easy to get revved up about the Spa season.

"I think everyone looks forward to Saratoga," he said. "The owners participate a lot more here. They're out a lot more. They come to the races a lot more. They get more excited about running here and winning here. It's no secret that everyone loves Saratoga and wants to do well here."

Pletcher will saddle Positively Royal (Bernardini) in the Schuylerville and Feathered (Indian Charlie) in the Lake George. He said that Materiality (Afleet Alex) is headed to the GI Jim Dandy, the local Travers prep, Aug. 1. GI Acorn winner Curlina (Curlin) is set to run in the GI Coaching Club American Oaks, Stopchargingmaria (Tale of the Cat) in the GIII Shuvee, and Angela Renee (Bernardini) in the GI Test, where she will face Lukas' comebacking champion Take Charge Brandi (Giant's Causeway). Veteran Palace Malice (Curlin), slowed by injuries this season, is training well and may make a race at Saratoga, Pletcher said.

NTRA REPORT FROM CAPITOL HILL

FINANCE COMMITTEE TAX EXTENDERS BILL INCLUDES EQUITY FOR HORSE INDUSTRY

The U.S. Senate Finance Committee completed its work on a tax extenders bill in a markup session earlier this week and approved the document by a 23-3 vote. The bill contains tax provisions to help families, individuals and small businesses, including specific incentives supported by the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) because they spur investment in the horse industry.

Led by three-year tax depreciation for all racehorses, the bill also reinstates 50 percent bonus depreciation and the \$500,000 Sec. 179 expense allowance for all small businesses, including those in the horse racing industry. The two-year tax extender bill would be retroactive to January 1, 2015, and continue through 2016.

"A multi-year extension of these incentives will create horse industry jobs and support horse owners who need time and certainty to thoughtfully plan their investment strategies," said NTRA President and CEO Alex Waldrop. "Three-year depreciation for all racehorses has been a primary focus of the NTRA's federal legislative team since we first secured this more equitable depreciation schedule in the 2008 Farm Bill."

The NTRA will continue to advocate for inclusion of the three-year depreciation provision in the tax extender bill as that bill works its way through the federal legislative process.

For more information contact Joe Bacigalupo, director of government relations and membership development, (859) 422-2677 or visit www.SupportHorseRacing.org.

Sometime during the meet, Pletcher expects to saddle 2-year-old Rachel's Valentina for a career debut that is likely to receive a lot of attention. The daughter of Bernardini out of Horse of the Year, Rachel Alexandra, who beat males in the 2009 GI Woodward, has been developing in Saratoga for a couple of months.



Oklahoma Training Track | *Mike Kane*

"She's a filly that we've been very pleased with the way she's been training," he said. "She's very professional, straight-forward and acts like she's got some talent."

Pletcher said he was looking forward to seeing Rachel's Valentina in competition.

"Anytime we get a horse with that type of pedigree, you take special note," he said. "She's out of one of the greatest racemares we've seen in my lifetime, for sure. It's exciting. It's also exciting when they display some talent in the morning."



Philadelphia Flyer/Sherack cont.

The native of Bristol, Pennsylvania, has enjoyed recent success with another daughter of the Lane's End sire in last year's narrow GII Black-Eyed Susan S.



Tom McGrath

runner-up Vero Amore (Mineshaft). Swilcan Stable currently has six horses in training and also races a handful of others in partnership with The Harp Racing Stable--including the multiple stakes-placed Darling Sky (Sky Mesa)--and Sidecar Racing Stables.

The 52-year-old continues to support the aforementioned Poseidon's Warrior with a couple of mares each season, too. McGrath has retained a 25% interest in the Pleasant Acres stallion, who commanded

a \$6,500 fee for his second season at stud in Florida.

A longtime fan of the sport, McGrath became interested in ownership through his neighbor Joe Lerro, who was a partner in the popular 2005 GI Preakness S. and GI Belmont S. hero Afleet Alex (Northern Afleet).

"I remember saying to Joe, 'If you ever do that again, I definitely want to get in,'" McGrath commented. "Joe and [Cash Is King Stable Managing Partner] Chuck [Zacney] got together and were kind enough to introduce me to the game. We're still all friends and they're real good guys. I was always a fan of racing, but just never got involved. That was my direct introduction."

In addition to the Cash Is King crew, McGrath, a married father of five, is also quick to shout out Reid for helping show him the ropes.

"He's the only trainer that we use," he explained. "Butch and I have been friends now since about 2010. I was introduced to him through Chuck and Joe. He's just a really hard-working and honest guy. He has a passion and love for the horses and we really connect with that."

A venture investor, McGrath is chairman of Advanced Provider Solutions, a medical software company, and is also a partner in the Doylestown, Pennsylvania-based construction company Conbrick Building Group.



Poseidon's Warrior | A. Coglianese

"I just love the horses, I always have since I was a kid," McGrath concluded. "There's a romance about the sport, which is very alluring, especially when you look at venues like Saratoga and all of the history there. I really enjoy that part of it. We were new to it [as owners] in 2008, but now we've got six or seven years under our belt and we've been very fortunate so far. It's a very enjoyable sport. We love heading up to Saratoga each summer and we're really looking forward to the beginning of this year's meet."

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Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 6:07 p.m. EDT

TVG DIANA S.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Tepin	Bernstein	Leparoux	Casse	121
2	Stephanie's Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Ortiz Jr	Brown	121
3	Kitten's Queen	Kitten's Joy	Ortiz	Brown	115
4	Hard Not to Like	Hard Spun	Velazquez	Clement	123
5	Waltzing Matilda (Ire)	Danhill Dncer (Ire)	Castellano	Albertrani	117
6	My Miss Sophia	Unbridled's Song	Rosario	Mott	117
7	Lady Lara (Ire)	Excellent Art (GB)	Alvarado	Mott	117

Saturday, Del Mar, post time: 8:40 p.m. EDT

SAN DIEGO H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Nowalking	Hard Spun	Pereira	D'Amato	115
2	Appealing Tale	Tale of the Cat	Talamo	Miller	116
3	Hoppertunity	Any Given Saturday	Smith	Baffert	121
4	Bayern	Offlee Wild	Garcia	Baffert	123
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6	Catch a Flight (Arg)	Giant's Causeway	Stevens	Mandella	120
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Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 5:32 p.m. EDT

SANFORD S.-GIII, \$150,000, 2yo, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Awesome Slew	Awesome Again	Lopez	Plesa Jr	120
2	Save the Drama	Big Drama	Rice	Rice	120
3	John Q. Public	Proud Citizen	Saez	Lukas	120
4	Magna Light	Magna Graduate	Ortiz	Rodriguez	120
5	Sunny Ridge	Holy Bull	Lezcano	Servis	120
6	He's Comin in Hot	Early Flyer	Rosario	Calhoun	122
7	Paynes Prairie	Tale of Ekati	Castellano	Asmussen	120
8	Cocked and Loaded	Colonel John	Ortiz Jr.	Rivelli	122
9	Twirling Cinnamon	Twirling Candy	Leparoux	Cox	120
10	Percolator	Flashy Bull	Carmouche	Servis	120
11	Uncle Vinny	Uncle Mo	Velazquez	Pletcher	120

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

ONTARIO MATRON S.-GIII, C\$150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Checked Past	Smart Strike	Da Silva	Pierce	121
2	Uchenna (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Garcia	Attfield	117
3	Strut the Course	Strut the Stage	Contreras	Minshall	124
4	Midnight Ballet	Midnight Lute	Stein	Attard	117
5	Sweater Weather	Milwaukee Brew	Wilson	Tiller	121
6	Skylander Girl	Stroll	Ramsammy	Patykewich	117
7	Copper Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Olguin	Bell	117

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op/ed by Corey Johnsen



MY TRIP TO COLOMBIA

Bogota, Paso Finos and Belmont's Fourth Race

Last week, I made a presentation on the Dynamics of the Horse Industry in the United States to a group of horsemen at the Equine Congress in Bogota, Colombia. It was sponsored by UNAGA, a division of the Department of Agriculture which oversees the cattle, horse and goat industries in Colombia. The Equine Congress was part of the Agroexpo, a major agricultural event in Bogota which resembled a state fair in America with attendance of more than 10,000 each day.

Colombia is a country with a human population of 48 million who care for more than 1.5-million horses. Most of the horses are Paso Fino, and Colombia boasts the best bloodlines in the world for that breed. Major Paso Fino horse shows draw 10,000 people who are extremely vocal in their appreciation of the nimble-footed breed. I was fortunate to visit a world-class Paso Fino farm and was able to view their fascinating discipline, which is a cross between tap and ballet dancing.

There is no pari-mutuel racing in Colombia at this time, although there is a rich history of Thoroughbred racing. At one time, Los Andes was a major track outside of Bogota.

Some of the best jockeys and horses in South America campaigned there, including Jose Santos, who was a four-time champion jockey before coming to the United States. Unfortunately, Los Andes closed in 1986 and the sport began to decline. There are only a few hundred registered Thoroughbreds, although there still remains an organization for that breed led by their enthusiastic President Luis Felipe Triana.

In Colombia, an operator must have a pari-mutuel license to offer off-track wagering, so there is no official simulcasting of North American signals. There is some hope, because a non pari-mutuel track has opened near Valledupar in the northern part of the country. The ownership of Hipodromo San Francisco would like to gain an official pari-mutuel license, so they can open OTB's all over Colombia.

Beautiful Paso Fino horses. A major agricultural exposition. No recognized Thoroughbred racing. So why is this column in *TDN* rather than a travel magazine?

The fourth race at Belmont Park.

After my speech at the conference, I was sitting in the audience listening to the excellent presentations by University of Kentucky representatives Dr. Ernest Bailey and Dr. Tom Tobin. To my surprise, the gentleman sitting in front of me was studying the *Daily Racing Form* past performances for the next day's fourth race from Belmont Park. I asked him about it, but he did not speak English.

However, I believe he was fluent in the international language of horseplaying.

So, here is the question for us to ponder... This gentlemen from Bogota, Colombia, was going to make an educated wager and probably watch a



Paso Fino | Horsephotos

race run at Belmont Park. Just how much did NYRA and the horsemen receive from that wager? Just as important, where is the coordinated effort to develop legitimate wagering in Colombia or many other countries, so North American tracks and horsemen can receive much needed additional revenue and get their fair share for producing an excellent racing product?

I was fortunate to attend the Pan American Conference in New York City in June. The event was sponsored by The Jockey Club and the Latin America Racing Channel and focused on the globalization of Thoroughbred racing and breeding. NBA Commissioner Emeritus David Stern shared his thoughts with the group on the international growth of the NBA, which now receives revenue for its product in 215 countries and territories. The NBA has offices in 12 countries, but it wasn't always that way.



Johnsen op/ed cont.

In the 1970's, the league generated about \$100 million in annual revenue. Today, that number is \$6 billion. To place that in perspective, Thoroughbred racing in North America generates around \$2 billion per year in pari-mutuel wagering commissions. Stern had the correct vision into the future. Every major American corporation said the future is global. The US population is 300 million, which means billions of potential fans lived in other countries that could now be efficiently reached via satellite communication and the internet.

As the NBA made its worldwide progress, Stern noted that in virtually every major country, they had to work with local government. This was especially so in China, where a governmental official left Stern waiting in the lobby for a meeting for three hours. But, he understood the dynamics of progress and persevered in China, which is now one of the world's hotbeds of basketball. Stern described the international development process as having to "go country by painful country" to build distribution channels. He also mentioned that progress was hastened by the NBA taking control of its rights worldwide, rather than dealing with myriad middlemen.

Will it take time to develop international business for North American horse racing? Of course.

One of the great lines I heard at the Colombia Congress was as follows: "Members of the horse industry always want to eat the cake before it is baked."

It will take some time and will take a coordinated effort, but I am convinced that "if we let the cake bake," there is a substantial long-term return for Thoroughbred racing, much like the NBA.

There is one other major development that will assist in this effort. The Thoroughbred Racing and Protective Bureau has developed a tote security system, which should be ready for a full implementation in 2016. The software package captures all necessary bet transaction information from the receiving site. This is a major upgrade from the previous situation. Host tracks were basically "flying blind" with a lack of timely information from the growing number of hubs, outlets and ADW's throughout the world. As in any business, sound accounting systems must be in place to ensure that the correct rights fees are being paid for the product.

North America features some of the best horse racing in the world. Through the TRPB tote security system, we have the means to account and audit wagers internationally. Through Roberts Communication, we have a system that can provide secure and encrypted signals worldwide. So, the only missing piece is a coordinated development plan. Based on my experience in Colombia, I believe the industry needs to build on the momentum begun at the Pan American Conference and make sure we receive our fair share of the gentleman's wager on the fourth race at Belmont.

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FLASHES OF TALENT

Leopardstown stages an important test of juvenile ability on Thursday when the G3 Jockey Club of Turkey Silver Flash S. sees some of Ireland's top stables put forward their potential Classic hopes for 2016. Having won four of the last six renewals, it is obvious that Aidan O'Brien is the first port of call and Susan



Aidan O'Brien has won four of the last six runnings of the Silver Flash | *Racing Post*

Magnier's June 26 Curragh maiden scorer **Alice Springs (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) could start a warm favorite. Also from Ballydoyle is the unraced **Way To My Heart (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), who will have to be a serious force to overcome experienced rivals on a demanding

debut. Dermot Weld saddles His Highness The Aga Khan's impressive course-and-distance maiden winner **Tanaza (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}), who had the likes of the subsequent winners **Minding (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Miss Gossip (Ire)** (Big Bad Bob {Ire}) behind on debut June 11, while Jim Bolger is represented by **Turret Rocks (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}), who scored over a mile on her racecourse bow at Gowran Park June 30.

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Thursday, Leopardstown, Ireland, post time: 6:50 p.m.
JOCKEY CLUB OF TURKEY SILVER FLASH S.-G3, €60,000, 2yo, f, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	7	Alice Springs (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	J O'Brien	A O'Brien
2	4	Madame Thunder (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)	Roche	Bunyan
3	2	Miss Gossip (Ire)	Big Bad Bob (Ire)	McCullagh	Harrington
4	1	Planchart	Gio Ponti	Keane	Slattery
5	5	Prove the Point (Ire)	Arakan	Lee	Mulvany
6	8	Santa Monica (GB)	Mastercraftsmn (Ire)	Berry	C O'Brien
7	3	Tanaza (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Smullen	Weld
8	6	Turret Rocks (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Manning	Bolger
9	9	Way To My Heart (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Heffernan	A O'Brien

All carry 126 pounds.

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TYROS TEST

'TDN Rising Star' **Sanus Per Aquam (Ire)** (Teofilo {Ire}) lines up for Thursday's G3 JRA Tyros S. at Leopardstown as he bids to follow in the illustrious prints of his sire, who took this in 2006. Like that former star of Coolcullen, Bolger's latest potential luminary has impressed with the manner that he has disposed of less physically gifted individuals, and the



Sanus Per Aquam | *Racing Post*

way that he doubled his tally over this track and trip a fortnight ago stamped him as possibly in the class of several other past winners of this like **New Approach (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), **Rip Van Winkle (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), **Cape Blanco (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and **Gleneagles (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). Just one shy of Bolger's record nine winners in this is Aidan O'Brien, and it is significant that he saddles the May 31 Listowel maiden scorer **Deauville (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and also **Lieutenant General (Ire)** (Fastnet Rock {Aus}). The latter was second to Sanus Per Aquam on debut over this trip at The Curragh June 28 and sports blinkers after disappointing when only third at 1-3 over six furlongs at Naas July 8. From Britain is Hambleton Racing Ltd's unbeaten **Taking Libertys (GB)** (Makfi {GB}), who was forced to miss Newmarket's G2 Superlative S. and lines up on the back of five- and six-furlong wins at Beverley Apr. 15 and Pontefract May 22.

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Thursday, Leopardstown, Ireland, post time: 7:25 p.m.
JAPANESE RACING ASSOCIATION TYROS S.-G3, €60,000, 2yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	2	Deauville (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	J O'Brien	A O'Brien
2	6	Henshaw (GB)	Archipenko	Hoban	Deegan
3	3	Lieutenant General (Ire)	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	D O'Brien	A O'Brien
4	5	Sanus per Aquam (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Manning	Bolger
5	1	Taking Libertys (GB)	Makfi (GB)	Smullen	K Ryan
6	4	Gleine (Ire)	Vocalised	Clearly	Bolger
7	7	Spinamiss (Ire)	Lilbourne Lad (Ire)	Hayes	Deegan

All carry 129 pounds bar Gleine & Spinamiss, 126.



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TELESCOPE OUT OF KING GEORGE

Highclere Thoroughbred Racing's **Telescope (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) has been ruled out of Saturday's G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. after suffering a minor setback, and will now target an autumn campaign.



Telescope | *Racing Post*

"It's frustrating for everybody involved, obviously," said Alex Smith, managing director of Highclere. "It is only a minor setback and doesn't look anything serious. It's just come at the wrong moment, unfortunately. It's disappointing for his owners, who had been building up for a big day, but he'll be fine."

Telescope, a 'TDN Rising Star', won last year's G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot before finishing second to Taghrooda (GB) (Sea the Stars {Ire}) in the King George. The 5-year-old would have been on a recovery mission Saturday, having most recently recorded the worst finish of his career with sixth in last month's Hardwicke.

Telescope's trainer, Sir Michael Stoute, will still be represented in the King George by the Hardwicke winner **Snow Sky (GB)** (Nayef).

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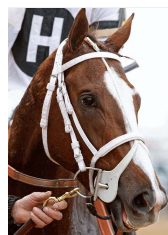
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A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Non-Industry Media

[2014-15 Hong Kong racing season: Numbers tell the tale of a record term all around](#) History will show the season was reasonably quiet, save for some top feats and figures on and off the track. **Alan Aitken, South China Morning Post**

[The Triple Crown Winners, Fit to Print](#) Twelve horses have won the Triple Crown, with American Pharoah's victory in 2015 the most recent. A look back at how The New York Times covered these rare triumphs. **New York Times**

[Spare Parts: the five-legged racehorse makes her way to the track](#) Often when a racehorse flies home to victory, it's said to have grown another leg. In the case of Spare Parts, it's actually true. **Chris Roots, Sydney Morning Herald**



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BROWN PANTHER ON COMEBACK TRAIL

Evergreen marathoner **Brown Panther (GB)** (Shirocco {Ger}), ruled out of Royal Ascot last month after being injured, is back in training, according to trainer Tom Dascombe.

"He's being ridden now, as well as swimming, but he probably won't start cantering until next week," Dascombe said. "We are looking at six or seven weeks after that [before he runs], so let's see how he progresses."



Tom Dascombe (right) and Michael Owen | *Racing Post*

The Michael Owen and Andrew Black colorbearer, who has traveled to compete in such prestigious events as the G1 Melbourne Cup and G1 Breeders' Cup Turf, recorded his most important win in last year's G1 Irish St Leger, and opened his 7-year-old campaign

this year with a win in the G2 Dubai Gold Cup before finishing second to subsequent G2 Hardwicke S. scorer Snow Sky (GB) (Nayef) in the G2 Yorkshire Cup May 15. Dascombe said the goal is to defend his Irish Leger title, but he admitted timing is tight.

"The Irish St Leger is the race we want to go for, obviously, but we'll just have to wait and see," he said. "He won't be able to run before then, anyway."

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GOSDEN SOUNDS 'HORN' WARNING

Trainer John Gosden has said he is "very pleased" with G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Coral-Eclipse winner **Golden Horn (GB)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) ahead of the 3-year-old's assignment in Saturday's G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot. The Anthony Oppenheimer homebred looks to become just the fourth horse to complete the Derby-Eclipse-King George treble in the same year, and the first since Galileo (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) in 2001 to complete the Derby-King George double.



John Gosden | *Racing Post*

"He's fine and I'm very pleased with him. He's taken the Eclipse very well," Gosden said. "Taking the decision to go forward in the Eclipse was the

right decision. He was very relaxed in front and he finished the race well."

Golden Horn will make just his sixth start in the King George--he is thus far unbeaten--but Gosden said the colt has matured recently. *cont.*

"We always thought he was a good, proper horse, but he just seems that much more streetwise, harder and tougher now," the conditioner explained. "He's filled out since the Eclipse and his weight is back where I wanted. We're not being faint-hearted with him. We're trying to go the tough route."

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GRAND PRIX DE VICHY-G3, €80,000, VHY, 7-22, 3yo/up, 10fT, 2:07.48, sf.

1--**ELLIPTIQUE (IRE)**, 128, c, 4, by [New Approach \(Ire\)](#)
1st Dam: **Uryale (Fr)** (SP-Fr), by **Kendor (Fr)**
2nd Dam: **Green Field Park (GB)**, by **Akarad (Fr)**
3rd Dam: **Green Rosy**, by **Green Dancer**
O/B-Famille Rothschild (FR); T-Andre Fabre; J-Amelie Foulon. €40,000. Lifetime Record: 13 starts, 5 wins, 7 places, €195,700. *1/2 to Cicerole (Fr) (Barathea {Ire}), MSW & MGSP-Fr, GSP-Eng, \$232,850. **Werk Nick Rating: C +**. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Mambomiss (Fr)**, 125, f, 4, [Mastercraftsman \(Ire\)](#)--Mambo Mistress, by Kingmambo. (€22,000 RNA yrl '12 ARQAUG). O-Roger Beaux, Jean-Marc de Watrigant & Antoine Gronfier; B-EARL Beguerie; T-Damien de Watrigant. €16,000.

3--**Meadow Creek (GB)**, 128, c, 4, [Dansili \(GB\)](#)--Gentle On My Mind (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Company Ltd SA; T-Andre Fabre. €12,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 3/4, 1. Odds: 3.40, 4.20, 6.60.

Also Ran: Baz (Fr), Free Port Lux (GB), Dartagnan D'Azur (Fr). Scratched: Siljan's Saga (Fr). [Click for the Racing Post result. Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

Successful in the G3 Prix de Conde over nine furlongs at Longchamp in October 2013, Elliptique disappointingly managed just one placing in five sophomore outings and that came courtesy of a win in a 10-furlong conditions event at Maisons-Laffitte a year on from his previous career best. Returning in better heart this term, the homebred was third in both the Listed Prix Jacques Laffitte over nine furlongs back at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 2 and Longchamp's G3 La Coupe at this distance June 12 either side of another conditions score over the latter track and trip Apr. 29.

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Grand Prix de Vichy cont.

Forced to make his own running, the free-running dark bay quickly established a clear lead under Amelie Foulon and was brought over to the stand's rail at the top of the stretch. Maintaining the pressure on his rivals under whip driving, he stuck to his guns to turn back Mambomiss to provide his jockey with a personal highlight.



'STARSPANGLED' HAS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Sprint champion and subfertile stallion **Starspangledbanner (Aus)** (Choisir {Aus}), whose intended visit to Coolmore in Ireland this year was derailed by injury, got 16 mares in foal on Northern Hemisphere time in Australia this year, according to *Racing Post*. Anthony Mithen, owner of Rosemont Stud where the chestnut stands, deemed Starspangledbanner's strike rate a success.

"He covered 32 mares and ended up with 16 in foal, so 50% spot-on, which we were really happy with,"



Starspangledbanner | *Racing Post*

Mithen told the trade daily.

Mithen noted that some of those mares would travel to Europe to be sold at the breeding stock sales later this year.

Starspangledbanner's first European crop included last year's G1 Prix Morny victor The

Wow Signal (Ire) as well as G2 Queen Mary S. winner Anthem Alexander (Ire) and last weekend's G3 Minstrel S. scorer Home of the Brave (Ire), and his first Southern Hemisphere 2-year-olds this year included G3 Blue Diamond Prelude winner Of The Brave (Aus). Starspangledbanner is expected to cover 80 to 90 mares during the upcoming Southern Hemisphere breeding season, including three-time G1 Melbourne Cup winner Makybe Diva (GB) (Desert King {Ire}) and a sister to Black Caviar (Aus) (Bel Esprit {Aus}).

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COBALT VET ALTERS EVIDENCE

Dr. Tom Brennan, the veterinarian involved in the cobalt cases of Australian trainers Sam Kavanagh, Mark Kavanagh and Danny O'Brien, has admitted he did not provide "full and frank" evidence during Racing NSW inquiries. Brennan now admits he provided two bottles of an injectable substance labeled 'vitamin complex', produced by another veterinarian, to Sam Kavanagh. Brennan noted he received payment from persons associated with Kavanagh, which he paid to the other veterinarian, and he admitted to disposing of a record book with details of the bottles sent to Kavanagh.

Brennan also admitted to administering the 'vitamin complex' substance to horses in Mark Kavanagh and O'Brien's care, but he has denied knowingly administering cobalt in all cases. He also said he inquired with the vet who supplied him with the vitamin complex, who assured him it did not contain cobalt or any other prohibited substances. Brennan has agreed to stand down from providing veterinary services for racehorses beginning Aug. 1, pending the outcome of his hearing and charges, which will be heard early next month at the same hearing that Sam Kavanagh's 24 charges will be heard. Hearing dates have not been set for Mark Kavanagh or O'Brien. Racing NSW has also indicated it will pursue an inquiry with the vet that supplied the vitamin complex to Brennan.

Brennan's admissions were revealed alongside the news that the appeal of trainer Darren Smith, who is banned 15 years for cobalt used, was dismissed.

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UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
July 24	GII Lake George S.	SAR
	GIII Schuylerville S.	SAR
	GIII Cougar II H.	DMR
July 25	GI Diana S.	SAR
	GII San Diego H.	DMR
	GIII Jersey Shore S.	MTH
	GIII Sanford S.	SAR
July 26	GIII Ontario Matron S.	WO
	GI Bing Crosby S.	DMR
	GI Coaching Club American Oaks	SAR



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TOP 50 NA-EU SIREs 2009-2015 by NUMBER of A RUNNERS

SIRE	YR	HISSIRE	1st Fls	ST	RNRS	A's	A INDEX	ABC's	ABC Index
GALILEO	1998	SADLER'S WELLS	2003	IR	1844	145	3.93	341	2.31
GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	1997	STORM CAT	2002	KY	2048	111	2.71	320	1.95
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	GONE WEST	2006	KY	1391	94	3.38	268	2.41
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	EL PRADO	2006	KY	1381	92	3.33	251	2.27
TAPIT	2001	PULPIT	2006	KY	1593	91	2.86	264	2.07
DANSILI	1996	DANEHILL	2002	GB	1372	85	3.10	203	1.85
OASIS DREAM	2000	GREEN DESERT	2005	GB	1533	81	2.64	242	1.97
SMART STRIKE	1992	MR. PROSPECTOR	1998	Dead	1626	81	2.49	238	1.83
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	FORTY NINER	2000	KY	1526	70	2.29	263	2.15
DANEHILL DANCER	1993	DANEHILL	1999	Retired	1537	70	2.28	220	1.79
DUBAWI	2002	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	2007	GB	1023	69	3.37	178	2.17
MONTJEU	1996	SADLER'S WELLS	2002	Dead	1280	69	2.70	170	1.66
KITTEN'S JOY	2001	EL PRADO	2007	KY	1286	67	2.60	173	1.68
MALIBU MOON	1997	A.P. INDY	2001	KY	1833	66	1.80	233	1.59
TIZNOW	1997	CEE'S TIZZY	2003	KY	1384	62	2.24	173	1.56
CANDY RIDE	1999	RIDE THE RAILS	2006	KY	1271	60	2.36	192	1.89
DYNAFORMER	1985	ROBERTO	1991	Dead	980	60	3.06	157	2.00
STORMY ATLANTIC	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1663	59	1.77	185	1.39
UNBRIDLED'S SONG	1993	UNBRIDLED	1998	Dead	1269	59	2.32	182	1.79
LEMON DROP KID	1996	KINGMAMBO	2002	KY	1319	58	2.20	196	1.86
SHAMARDAL	2002	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2007	IR	1130	56	2.48	180	1.99
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	1997	GREEN DESERT	2004	IR	1663	55	1.65	200	1.50
CITY ZIP	1998	CARSON CITY	2003	KY	1468	54	1.84	204	1.74
PIVOTAL	1993	POLAR FALCON	1998	GB	1371	54	1.97	197	1.80
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	AWESOME AGAIN	2007	KY	792	54	3.41	155	2.45
HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	1999	HARLAN	2005	Dead	1461	52	1.78	184	1.57
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	1999	DANEHILL	2004	IR	1626	51	1.57	182	1.40
INDIAN CHARLIE	1995	IN EXCESS	2000	Dead	1161	51	2.20	170	1.83
PULPIT	1994	A.P. INDY	1999	Dead	1119	49	2.19	161	1.80
BERNARDINI	2003	A.P. INDY	2008	KY	883	49	2.77	114	1.61
MONSUN	1990	KONIGSSTUHL	1997	Dead	658	49	3.72	112	2.13
WAR FRONT	2002	DANZIG	2008	KY	615	49	3.98	112	2.28
CAPE CROSS	1994	GREEN DESERT	2001	IR	1494	47	1.57	191	1.60
UNUSUAL HEAT	1990	NUREYEV	1999	CA	851	47	2.76	156	2.29
ELUSIVE QUALITY	1993	GONE WEST	2000	KY	1443	46	1.59	174	1.51
AWESOME AGAIN	1994	DEPUTY MINISTER	2000	KY	1065	44	2.07	139	1.63
SKY MESA	2000	PULPIT	2005	KY	1107	43	1.94	147	1.66
STREET CRY	1998	MACHIAVELLIAN	2004	Dead	1301	42	1.61	172	1.65
MORE THAN READY	1997	SOUTHERN HALO	2002	KY	1684	42	1.25	170	1.26
TALE OF THE CAT	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1701	42	1.23	154	1.13
MINESHAFT	1999	A.P. INDY	2005	KY	892	42	2.35	131	1.84
FLATTER	1999	A.P. INDY	2005	KY	1052	40	1.90	120	1.43
BROKEN VOW	1997	UNBRIDLED	2003	KY	1463	39	1.33	170	1.45
FREUD	1998	STORM CAT	2003	NY	930	39	2.10	121	1.63
BERNSTEIN	1997	STORM CAT	2002	Dead	1361	38	1.40	149	1.37
SUCCESSFUL APPEAL	1996	VALID APPEAL	2002	KY	931	38	2.04	148	1.99
HIGH CHAPARRAL	1999	SADLER'S WELLS	2005	Dead	1013	38	1.88	115	1.42
JUMP START	1999	A.P. INDY	2004	PA	989	36	1.82	122	1.54
NOT FOR LOVE	1990	MR. PROSPECTOR	1997	Retired	1040	35	1.68	135	1.62
MACHO UNO	1998	HOLY BULL	2005	KY	1039	35	1.68	114	1.37
NORTHERN AFLEET	1993	AFLEET	2000	KY	1278	35	1.37	111	1.09
TRIBAL RULE	1996	STORM CAT	2004	Dead	969	35	1.81	110	1.42
AFLEET ALEX	2002	NORTHERN AFLEET	2007	KY	1020	35	1.72	109	1.34
TEOFILO	2004	GALILEO	2009	IR	714	35	2.45	96	1.68

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Wednesday's Results:

5th-DEL, \$35,250, Msw, 7-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.39, fm.

BIBBY (f, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Love Cove {MSW, \$396,739}, by Not For Love) was outsprinted for most of the opening three-quarters of a mile of her seven-furlong bow contested over yielding Belmont turf June 17 before running on decently late to finish fourth. Pounded into 3-5 favoritism with this stretch out to two turns and with Joe Bravo subbing for the injured Trevor McCarthy, the \$240,000 FTSAUG yearling was sluggish at the start, but mustered through at the fence to head them off into the first turn. Allowed to make his own pace from there, he got to the half in a moderate :48.30, kicked into another gear turning for home and was never in serious danger, scoring by 2 3/4 lengths. Social Call (Smart Strike), who looked destined to be off the board at the head of the lane, re-rallied for second. The winner's dam, a dual stakes winner in New York-bred company, is represented this year by the 2-year-old filly Abounding Love (Tale of the Cat), has a yearling filly by Flatter and produced a full-brother to Bibby in 2015. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$24,750. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Jon & Sarah Kelly; B-Brant Laue (KY); T-C Clement.

 **Hurstland Farm foaled, raised and sold** 

8th-PID, \$27,130, Msw, 7-22, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:11.58, ft.

SOUPERFAST (c, 4, Broken Vow--Playa Maya, by Arch), the half-brother to 2010 Eclipse Award-winning juvenile Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie), MGISW, \$1,606,000, was second in a pair of starts at two, then ran into some toughies, finishing fifth to subsequent MGISW Tonalist (Tapit) in a nine-furlong Gulfstream maiden in January 2014 and behind SW & GISP Tourist (Tiznow) in a single try on the grass the next month. Eighth back on the Gulfstream main that March for Bill Mott, he'd been missing since and turned up here for his synthetic debut and first run for this barn. Lightly regarded at 4-1 given his pedigree, the \$500,000 KEESEP yearling lingered towards the tail of the field and had no choice but to go overland on the turn. He covered the wide run of Strawbridge (Munnings) into the stretch, drew even with that one an eighth of a mile out and pulled clear to take it by 2 1/2 lengths. Playa Maya, a \$1.65 million purchase by M. V. Magnier out of the 2010 Fasig-Tipton November sale carrying this colt in utero, is the dam of an Irish-based yearling colt by War Front, a weanling daughter of the Claiborne stallion and was bred back to him in the current breeding season. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, \$39,610. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Live Oak Plantation; B-Playa Maya Syndicate (KY); T-Michael J Trombetta.

Central U.S.

Wednesday's Results:

2nd-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 2yo, 5f (off turf), :58.98, ft. WARCRAFT (c, 2, Concord Point--Song to the Moon, by Successful Appeal) took solid action at the windows and was just under 4-1 for his June 20 debut against \$50,000 maiden taggers at Churchill, but never got untracked over the off going and was beaten better than 10 lengths into fifth. Under a hustling ride from the opening bell, Warcraft improved steadily outside of horses and was all the way up into third by the time they hit the turn. Sent up three deep into the lane, the 3-1 second choice collared the debuting Tuff Red Stick (High Cotton) leaving the eighth pole and edged away late to score by two lengths. Favored Call the Colonel (Colonel John) was a never-nearer third. Warcraft is a half-brother to Purple Heaven (Midshipman), MSP. Sales history: \$4,200 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$20,124. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#). O-L T B Inc, Miles Childers, Ed Wright Cattle Company & Janet Culp; B-C Kidder, N Cole, J K & Linda Griggs (KY); T-Bernard S Flint.

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Kentucky

Breeders' Cup, Maker's Mark Announce Partnership:

Breeders' Cup and Maker's Mark have announced a multi year partnership with the goal of raising \$1 million for horse racing charities over the next three years. Maker's Mark will be featured in signature cocktails during this year's Breeders' Cup Week in Lexington, including the Taste of the World and the Finish Line Celebration Party.

"We couldn't be more excited about this partnership with Maker's Mark," said Craig Fravel, President and CEO of the Breeders' Cup. "We reached out to Maker's Mark on the very day we announced this year's World Championships would be at Keeneland because of the brand's roots here and the esteem in which Maker's Mark is held all over the world. That makes them a perfect partner, and it's a milestone for the Breeders' Cup, illustrating the evolution of the event." *Cont. p2*

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**Breeders' Cup/Maker's Mark Partnership cont.**

Maker's Mark and Breeders' Cup will also collaborate on a limited-edition collection of Maker's Mark bottles featuring previous Breeders' Cup champions, including A.P. Indy, Cigar, Lure, Personal Ensign and Zenyatta. The A.P. Indy, Lure and Personal Ensign bottles will be released before this year's Breeders' Cup at the Champions for Charity event in the VIP Maker's Mark Bourbon Lounge at Keeneland Thursday, Oct. 29. Attendees can bid on the bottles through a silent auction, with 100% of the proceeds going to the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation, Kentucky Horse Park Foundation, The Lexington Cancer Foundation, Inc., The Race for Education, Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance and University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center Foundation.

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"This is a great partnership all around for us," said Maker's Mark Chief Operating Officer Rob Samuels. "When my grandparents created Maker's Mark, Keeneland was their first customer and many of their friends were in the Thoroughbred industry. So we've always had a soft spot for charities connected with the sport. And what an honor to be part of such a prestigious event as the first Breeders' Cup ever to take place at Keeneland."

To attend the party with the auction of the Maker's Mark Breeders' Cup-themed bottles, please visit <https://www.breederscup.com/champions-for-charity> or contact (859) 514-9428.

California

Wednesday's Results:

WICKERR S., \$86,350, DMR, 7-22, (C), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.78, fm.

1--**PURE TACTICS, 119, h, 6, Pure Prize--Dixie Tactics (SW, \$188,088), by Native Tactics.** O-Nita Winner LLC; B-Donald Eberts (TX); T-Doug F O'Neill; J-Flavien Prat. \$51,060. Lifetime Record: 25-10-2-4, \$431,106.

Mating planned at **LANTERN HILL FARM**

2--**Winning Prize (Arg), 121, h, 6, Pure Prize--Winning Ways (Per), by You and I.** O-David Heerensperger & Jose Nelson; B-De La Pomme (ARG); T-Neil D Drysdale. \$17,020.

3--**Wilkinson, 119, h, 7, Lemon Drop Kid--Tasha's Delight, by Afternoon Deelites.** O-Edward K Gaylord II; B-Gaillardia LLC (KY); T-Jeff Mullins. \$10,212. Margins: HD, NO, 1 3/4. Odds: 3.70, 3.60, 21.60. Also Ran: Global View, Kulik Lodge, Flamboyant (Fr), Footstepsinbronze (Ire), Baccelo (Brz), County Lineman, Zuri Chop (Fr). Scratched: Play Hard to Get.

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Wickerr S. cont.

Pure Tactics went off at less than a third of his 12-1 morning line and rewarded his backers with a game success. Third to subsequent GISW Talco (Fr) (Pivotal {GB}) in the Apr. 4 Thunder Road S. going this trip at Santa Anita, the Texas-bred finished last but one in the GIII San Simeon S. down the hill 15 days later and was exiting a close third in defense of his title in the May 31 Siren Lure S. in Arcadia. Settled in about fifth position early as Winning Prize set a reasonable pace, Pure Tactics was taken hold of on the turn by Flavien Prat as Global View (Galileo {Ire}) put him in a pocket. Pulled out three deep into the lane, Pure Tactics put Global View away to his outside and was able to forge his way past the frontrunner and Wilkinson in the shadow of the post under a cool ride from the Frenchman. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)**

6th-DMR, \$77,350, Alw (NW2\$X), Opt. Clm (\$62,500), 7-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.74, ft. SAVINGS ACCOUNT (f, 4, [Medaglia d'Oro--Wild Hoots {SW & GSP, \\$131,177}](#), by [Unbridled's Song](#)), a head second in the 2013 running of the grassy GIII Miesque S. at Hollywood Park, faced the starter just twice in 2014, finishing seventh in the China Doll S. in March and ninth in the GIII Providencia S. before going missing. Off 371 days, she returned to be a nose best in an Apr. 11 allowance over yielding Keeneland turf and was third at the next level at Churchill May 9, but popped a giant 101 Beyer in a near-miss second in her first try on dirt at Monmouth June 12. Favored at 11-10 in her seaside debut, Savings Account bided her time from between rivals in the second flight of horses and took closer order nearing the lane. She took aim on pacesetting Sky Mega (Sky Mesa) at the furlong marker, grabbed her with a sixteenth of a mile to race and came away to a relatively comfortable 3/4-length success. A \$310,000 KEESEP yearling, Savings Account is out of a full-sister to GISW Buddha. Lifetime Record: GSP, 10-3-2-1, \$143,390. **Click for the [Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Heider Family Stables LLC & Craig Bernick; B-Dell Ridge Farm LLC (KY); T-Thomas F Proctor.**

LANE'S END Sales Graduate
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Santa Anita Announces Fall Stakes Schedule:

Santa Anita Park has announced that their Autumn Meet, which will run Sept. 26-Oct. 25, will be highlighted by six Grade I Breeders' Cup Challenge races. Those races will be part of the 21 added-money events during the meet. Santa Anita will have five Grade I Breeders' Cup preps on opening day in the FrontRunner S., the Awesome Again S., the Chandelier S., the Rodeo Drive S. and the Zenyatta S. The track will also hold Breeders' Cup preps later in the meet, including the GII City of Hope Mile Sept. 27, the GIII Eddie D. S. Oct. 3, the GIII L.A. Woman S. Oct. 10 and the Zuma Beach S. Oct. 10. Santa Anita's complete 2015 Autumn S. schedule can be viewed at www.santaanita.com.



INDUSTRY INFO

Breeders' Cup Week Horse Farm Tours Available:

Tickets for Horse Farm Tours during KentuckyOne Health Breeders' Cup Festival Week are now available at <http://breederscupfestival.com/horse-farm-tours-2>. The tours will provide a look at some of Kentucky's well renowned stud operations, nurseries and veterinary clinics.

"The Thoroughbred farms of Central Kentucky are one of the greatest assets we have, and we're thrilled to be able to share them with our guests and community during the KentuckyOne Health Breeders' Cup Festival Week," said Laura Prewitt, Executive Director of the Breeders' Cup Festival. "This week is going to be full of great events for our community and visitors."

Various locations and pairings are available Sunday Oct. 25 in the afternoon and Monday, Oct. 26-Wednesday, Oct. 28 during the morning and afternoon, according to a release. Tickets are \$65 for adults and \$35 for kids under 12, with a portion of proceeds donated to charitable causes that support the horses, land and people of the Central Kentucky region.

"It is a tremendous honor to welcome the world to Keeneland and the Bluegrass for the 2015 Breeders' Cup," said Price H. Bell, Jr. with Mill Ridge Farm and Nicoma Bloodstock. "As many of the runners have ties to Kentucky, we look forward to sharing their stories, along with showcasing previous champions, while welcoming guests from all over the world to our farms, clinics, and feed mills. We dream of the chance to compete in the Breeders' Cup, and look forward to sharing our passion for these amazing athletes."

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ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, July 23

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

ARCHARCHARCH (Arch), Spendthrift Farm, \$10K, 122/3/0

6-PRM, Msw, 5 1/2f, Classic Arch, \$4K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1

CROWN OF THORNS (Repent), Woodford Thoroughbreds, \$4K, 21/0/0

3-PID, Msw, 1m, Loveyou Likethat, \$2K OBS OCT yrl, 9-2

DROSSELMAYER (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm, \$18K, 94/1/0

4-GP, Mcl, 5f, +Heartbreaker Girl, \$25K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1

FIRST DUDE (Stephen Got Even), Double Diamond Farm, \$8K, 98/1/0

3-PID, Msw, 1m, How About You Dude, \$30K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 3-1

GIANT OAK (Giant's Causeway), Millennium Farms, \$8K, 40/0/0

3-PID, Msw, 1m, Bucket Beat, 3-1

GIROLAMO (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$15K, 87/2/0

1-DMR, Mcl, 5 1/2f, Don't Tell Jackie, \$20K BAR MAR 2yo, 3-1

SIDNEY'S CANDY (Candy Ride {Arg}), WinStar Farm, \$15K, 86/0/0

5-AP, Msw, 5 1/2f, Crossing Candy, 8-1

1-DMR, Mcl, 5 1/2f, +Sooner Time, \$45K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 4-1

WILBURN (Bernardini), Spendthrift Farm, \$7K, 105/0/0

3-PID, Msw, 1m, Wichita Willy, \$25K OBS WIN yrl, 8-1

First/second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, July 23

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

CHARITABLE MAN (Lemon Drop Kid), Taylor Mountain Farm, \$4K, 81/14/0

4-CT, Msw, 7f, +Miss Berry O, 10-1

ORTHODOX (Pulpit), Peach Lane Farms, \$1000, 46/3/0

5-AP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Baama Care, 10-1

TIZDEJAVU (Tiznow), Crestwood Farm, \$5K, 96/16/1

5-AP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Ya Lo Viste, \$6K RNA OBS MAR 2yo, 15-1

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

2nd-WO, C\$70,915, 7-22, 3yo/up, 11fT, 2:15.79, fm.

BANGKOK (g, 4, [Street Hero--Get It Straight](#), by [Black Minnaloushe](#)) Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-3, \$148,967.

O/B-Gail Wood & Dr. Ruth Barbour (ON); T-W Phillip

Gracey. * \$9,500 RNA Ylg '12 FTKOCT.

3rd-TDN, \$37,700, (S), 7-22, 3/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13.02, ft.

MY GIRL CASSIE (f, 4, [Northern Afleet--Floral Park](#), by [Forest Wildcat](#)) Lifetime Record: 7-3-4-0, \$69,260.

O-Looch Racing Stables Inc.; B-Langsem Farm Inc

(OH); T-Jeffrey A Radosevich. * \$120,000 Ylg '12

KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Dougs Buddy (Badge of Silver),

MSW, \$213,866; and Floral Sky (Sky Mesa), SW,

\$118,622.

7th-IND, \$36,000, (S), 7-22, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off

turf), 1:46.01, ft.

SCATIDASH (g, 4, [Scat Daddy--Ponita](#), by [Even the Score](#)) Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-2, \$75,380. O-Murphy

Equine Investments LLC; B-Carolyn Shawn Murphy (IN);

T-Richard Estvanko.



Breeders' Edition--America cont.

5th-PEN, \$34,869, 7-22, 3yo/up, 1m 70yT, 1:38.61, fm.

FLEET STREET (c, 4, Street Hero--Garavogue, by Daylami {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-1, \$69,387. O-Tom Coulter; B-Arrowwood Farm (PA); T-Rodrigo Madrigal Sr.

7th-PID, \$33,160, 7-22, 3yo/up, 1m 70y (AWT), 1:43.20, ft.

JUMP FOR KITTEN (g, 5, Kitten's Joy--Draxhall Jump, by Tale of the Cat) Lifetime Record: SP, 30-5-3-8, \$170,203. O-You See Vee Gee Stable; B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (PA); T-Dale Capuano. *\$47,000 RNA Ylg '11 FTKJUL.

2nd-EVD, \$29,350, 7-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:41.60, ft.

COMPOSED (f, 3, D'wildcat--Princess Composer {MSW, \$261,927}, by Composer) Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-1-1, \$54,800. O-P Dale Ladner; B-Jose M Camejo (LA); T-Brett A Brinkman. *\$30,000 Ylg '13 BSCYRL.

3rd-CT, \$27,000, 7-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :51.66, ft.

D D'S DESTINY (m, 6, Dehere--Golden Indeed, by Allen's Prospect) Lifetime Record: 23-6-4-4, \$124,431. O-Fairview Farm (E. H. Walters); B-Francis W Daniel (WV); T-David Walters.

5th-LAD, \$26,130, 7-22, 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:42.08, ft.

WARREN'S REBEL (h, 5, Ole Rebel--Gayle's Approval, by With Approval) Lifetime Record: SP, 25-5-4-4, \$167,390. O/B-Glen C Warren (LA); T-A Leggio Jr.

6th-LAD, \$25,000, (S), Opt. Clm (\$12,500), 7-22, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35.84, fm.

BIG DOG DOUG (g, 4, Ole Rebel--Special Love, by River Special) Lifetime Record: 15-4-4-3, \$65,335. O/B-Love Partnership Interests LP (LA); T-Preston Adams.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Gypsy's Rule, f, 2, Tribal Rule--Gypsy Baby (Ire), by Modigliani.** DMR, 7-22, (S), (C), 5f, 1:00.28. B-Schroeder Farms LLC (KY). *Won by 6 1/4 lengths.

Helluva Notion, f, 3, Notional--Plunderthepeasants (MSP), by Petionville. TDN, 7-22, 6f, 1:12.40. B-Hardwood Horses LC (KY).

Over Par, c, 3, Square Eddie--Silar Rules, by Ten Most Wanted. DMR, 7-22, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:42.63. B-Reddam Racing LLC (CA).

Blue Dahlia, f, 4, Giant's Causeway--Spring Waltz (GSW, \$402,335), by Silver Charm. WO, 7-22, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46.56. B-Adena Springs (KY).

For Finery, f, 4, Not For Love--Finery (MGSW, \$336,568), by Lear Fan. DEL, 7-22, 7 1/2fT, 1:30.77. B-Althea D Richards (VA).

Runaway's Vision, m, 5, Pollard's Vision--Runaway Lil, by Runaway Groom. IND, 7-22, (S), 6f, 1:12.93. B-Bryan Allen Metz (IN).

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Wednesday's Results:

3rd-SAN, £6,000, Mdn, 7-22, 2yo, 7f 16yT, 1:30.66, g/f.

CYMRIC (c, 2, Kitten's Joy--Fastbridled, by Unbridled's Song), a \$300,000 FTSAUG yearling, debuted in the Listed Chesham S. over this trip at Royal Ascot June 20 but proved too green after missing the break and wound up 10th. More professional this time to gain the early lead, the 5-2 joint-favorite looked to have the race sewn up approaching the furlong pole but needed to be pushed out to hold the eye-catching closer Massa (Ire) (Teofilo {Ire}) by a head. The winner is a half-brother to Lismore (Tiznow), GSP, while second dam Broad Pennant (Broad Brush) produced MGSW Interactif (Broken Vow); SW & GSP Stretching (Red Ransom); and French MGSP Wingspan (Silver Hawk). Cymric's fourth dam is the irrepressible Personal Ensign. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$6,038. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Godolphin; B-Jamm Ltd. (KY); T-John Gosden.

3rd-LIN, £4,500, Mdn, 7-22, 3yo/up, 12f (AWT), 2:31.82, st.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE (GB) (c, 3, New Approach {Ire}--Plaza, by Chester House), last seen finishing second when 1-3 for a mile maiden at Bath July 8, was soon tracking the moderate early pace before taking over approaching the quarter pole. Sent clear soon after, the 8-11 favorite registered a six-length verdict over Pure Line (GB) (Zamindar). The winner's dam is a daughter of Jolypha (Lyphard), the 1992 G1 Prix de Diane winner and third to A.P. Indy in that year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Gulfstream Park. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$7,184. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Godolphin; B-Greenwood Lodge Farm Inc. (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.



Greenwood Lodge Farm Bred and Raised



Tuesday Night's Result:

6th-WET, £5,500, Mdn, 7-21, 3/up, 10fT, 2:06.60, gd.

+ **CALIFORNIA (IRE) (f, 3, Azamour {Ire}--Maskaya {Ire}, by Machiavellian),** sent off at 6-1, raced towards the rear throughout the early stages. Produced wide in the stretch to wear down the long-time leader Mawjood (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) in the final 100 yards, the 75,000gns TAOCT yearling asserted to score in ultimately convincing style by 1 1/2 lengths. The winner is a half-sister to Drumbeat (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), G1SP-Fr, GSP-Eng, \$439,550. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$5,538. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#) O-Denford Stud; B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd and P. A. Byrne (IRE); T-John Gosden.

Irish Report cont. p5



Thursday, Sandown, post time: 3:30 p.m.

IRISH CHAMPIONS WEEKEND EBF STALLIONS STAR S.-Listed,

£30,000, 2yo, f, 7f 16yT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Alinstantiate (GB)	Archipenko	Morris	Prescott
2	5	Aneesah (GB)	Canford Cliffs (Ire)	Dettori	Varian
3	6	Bahaarah (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Hughes	Hannon
4	7	Chiringuita	Hard Spun	McDonald	Bethell
5	2	Dessertoflife (Ire)	Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Fanning	Johnston
6	8	Fireglow (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Buick	Johnston
7	4	Flying Empress (GB)	Hly Rmn Emprrr (Ire)	Atzeni	Beckett
8	1	Raaqy (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Hanagan	B Hills

All carry 126 pounds.

MOORE FACING LENGTHY ABSENCE

Three-time champion jockey Ryan Moore, injured in a starting gate accident at Newmarket July 9, could be facing a lengthier absence than originally expected, *Racing Post* reports. Moore has undergone a series of X-rays and although those have returned clear, it is believed he could be out of action longer than the month originally suggested by his father, trainer Gary Moore.

Wednesday's Results:

YEOMANSTOWN STUD DARK ANGEL E.B.F. S.-Listed,

€60,000, NAA, 7-22, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:10.93, g/f.

1--#**LETTERS OF NOTE (IRE), 126, f, 3, Azamour (Ire)--**

Boo Boo Bear (Ire), by Almutawakel (GB). (€80,000 Ylg '13 GOFORB; €13,500 2yo '14 GBMBR). O-Pearl Bloodstock Ltd; B-Black Crow Syndicate (IRE); T-Michael O'Callaghan; J-Pat Smullen. €39,000. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$55,967.

2--**Byzantium (GB), 126, f, 3, Dutch Art (GB)--Spring Green (GB), by Bahamian Bounty (GB).** (£28,000 Ylg '13 DNPRM). O-Kilboy Estate. €11,400.

3--**Newsletter (Ire), 129, f, 3, Sir Percy (GB)--Payphone (GB), by Anabaa.** (€25,000 Ylg '13 TISEP). O-Gravity Partnership. €5,400.

Margins: HD, 1HF, 2. Odds: 6.00, 14.00, 3.00.

Brought along quietly by Michael O'Callaghan so far, Letters of Note posted an improved effort in shaking up the proven pattern-race performer Toscanini (Ire) (Shamardal) when a neck second to that rival in a course-and-distance conditions event July 8. Held up with one behind early, the bay made a powerful mid-race move towards the far rail to gain the lead passing the quarter pole and dug in as Byzantium threatened to prevail in the bobber. [Click for the Racing Post result.](#)

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1st-NAA, €15,500, Mdn, 7-22, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.79, g/f.

+ **BEAR CHEEK (IRE) (f, 2, Kodiak {GB}--See Nuala {Ire}, by Kyllachy {GB}),** a €125,000 GBMBR 2yo, was hammered into 9-10 favoritism and showed early dash to race in the front rank. Challenged only by Know (Street Cry {Ire}) once she had started to assert herself on affairs inside the final quarter-mile, the bay drew away late on to score by three lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,697. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Qatar Racing Ltd; B-Tally Ho Stud (IRE); T-Ger Lyons.

OBSERVATIONS

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5.50 Leopardstown, Mdn, €16,500, 2yo, 8fT

GENERAL MACARTHUR (War Front) debuts in Susan Magnier's silks that were carried to distinction by his G1 Irish 1000 Guineas and Epsom Oaks-winning dam Imagine (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). The half-brother to the ill-fated Horatio Nelson (Ire) (Danehill), as well as other high-profile performers Red Rock Canyon (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) and Viscount Nelson (Giant's Causeway), is joined by fellow Ballydoyle runner **Unicorn (Ire) (Galileo (Ire))**, Derrick Smith's unraced full-brother to the useful stayer Bondi Beach (Ire).

NAVAN TO BEGIN REDEVELOPMENT

Navan Racecourse is set to begin a €250,000 redevelopment project pending approval of a capital development grant of €100,000 from Horse Racing Ireland. The redevelopment will continue between now and 2018, and will be highlighted by improvements to parking lot facilities; extension of the track's ambulance road; renovation of the Tote Hall and other customer-focused improvements to the facility. Seating will also be installed along the perimeter of the parade ring.

"The quarter-of-a-million Euro redevelopment that will be carried out at Navan Racecourse is almost solely focused on improving the customer facilities, which is the essence of what the HRI Racecourse Capital Development Fund is about," explained HRI Chief Executive Officer Brian Kavanagh. "In particular, the safety measures and enhancements to the approach to the racecourse entrance will make a huge difference."

Expanding on the Racecourse Capital Development Fund, Kavanagh added, "All 26 racecourses in Ireland are eligible to apply for funding under this scheme with HRI providing 40% of the cost of approved projects. It is estimated that the entire Racecourse Capital Development Fund will support in the region of 1300 direct and indirect jobs during the course of its completion."



Jim Bolger (center) became the first dual winner of the Connolly's Red Mills/The Irish Field Breeder of the Year award Tuesday. He is pictured with Joe Connolly (left) and the Irish Field's Leo Powell |

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Thursday, Vichy, post time: 2:20 p.m.

PRIX DES REVES D'OR - JACQUES BOUCHARA-Listed, €55,000, 2yo, 5fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Blgn Gentleman (Fr)	Turtle Bowl (Ire)	Piccone	C Rossi	126
2	8	Pyretos (Ire)	Hly Rmn Empr (Ire)	Guyon	Lffn-Parias	126
3	4	Risk Major (Fr)	My Risk (Fr)	Hamelin	Palussiere	126
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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-BAT, £6,600, 7-22, 2yo, 5f 11yT, 1:02.85, fm. ADHAM (IRE) (c, 2, Dream Ahead--Leopard Creek {GB}, by Weldnaas) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$14,902. O-Sheikh Rashid Dalmook Al Maktoum; B-Ballylinch Stud (IRE); T-James Tate. *€75,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB. **1/2 to Ponty Acclaim (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}), GSW-Eng.

APPOINTMENTS

Suzanne Eade, Group Chief Financial Officer, Horse Racing Ireland

- Suzanne Eade joins HRI from the position of Finance Director of Boots Retail Ireland. A Chartered Certified Accountant, Suzanne has spent most of her career in senior financial positions in the multinational consumer goods and retail sector, including the Procter and Gamble Group. Eade will succeed the retiring Margaret Davin Sept. 28.
- Brian Kavanagh, CEO of HRI, said, "Suzanne has a depth of experience and commercial skills which will be a tremendous asset for HRI. She inherits a dedicated team with an established background in the administration of racing's finances. In welcoming Suzanne, I would like to acknowledge the outstanding contribution which Margaret Davin has made to the organization and to Irish racing, which is widely recognized throughout the industry."



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Sakada (GB), c, 2, Sakhee's Secret (GB)--Nevada Princess (Ire), by Desert Prince (Ire). LIN, 7-22, 7f (AWT), 1:25.34. B-David Jamison Bloodstock (GB). *4,000gns Wlg '13 TAFOA; £26,000 Ylg '14 DNPRM.**
- Highly Sprung (Ire), c, 2, Zebedee (GB)--Miss Donovan (GB) (SP-Ire), by Royal Applause (GB). CAB, 7-22, 5f 212yT, 1:13.86. B-Patrick J. Moloney (IRE). *€15,000 Ylg '14 TISEP; 38,000gns 2yo '15 TATHIT.**
- Privileged (Ire), f, 3, Exceed and Excel (Aus)--Almaviva (Ire), by Grand Lodge. CHD, 7-21, 8f (AWT), 1:40.60. B-P J Gleeson (IRE). *75,000gns Ylg '13 TAOCT.**
- Laganore (Ire), f, 3, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Lady Bones (Ire), by Royal Applause (GB). NAA, 7-22, 6fT, 1:11.93. B-Newtown Anner Stud Farm Ltd (IRE).**

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- ◆ **Maiden Claiming Races:** purses of \$18,000/up & a minimum claiming price of \$40,000