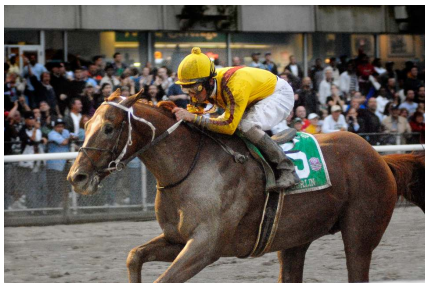




CURLIN RELOCATES TO HILL 'N' DALE

by Jessica Martini and Alan Carasso

Stonestreet Farm has announced that its two-time Horse of the Year **Curlin** (Smart Strike–Sherriff's Deputy, by Deputy Minister), whose Keen Ice took down the colors of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah (Pioneerof the Nile) in the GI Travers S. last Saturday, will be relocated to John Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale Farm for the 2016 breeding season. Earlier this year, Hill 'n' Dale was announced as the successful bidder of the 20% interest in the stallion previously owned by Shirley Cunningham and Midnight Cry



Curlin winning the 2008 Jockey Club Gold Cup | Sarah K Andrew

Stables. Stonestreet's Barbara Banke owns the other 80% of the sire. Curlin has stood at Lane's End Farm since his retirement in 2008.

"We believe that the owners of the horse are in the best position to direct his stallion career," explained Banke. "John Sikura has assembled a unique world-class broodmare band and has pledged his best mares to the sire. This year we bred multiple graded stakes winner Dayatthespa and multiple graded stakes winner and producer Dream Rush to Curlin and will continue to support him with top-quality mares.

Banke continued, "I want to thank Lane's End Farm for launching his sire career, and look forward to working with them in future endeavors. This move was made to best direct Curlin's career under a new ownership structure. We look forward to working with Hill 'n' Dale to further our strategic plan to ensure that the world's highest-rated racehorse becomes amongst the world's most important stallions."

Curlin becomes the 11th stallion on the Hill 'n' Dale roster, which is anchored by sprint champion Midnight Lute.

"It's a huge step forward for our stallion operation," confirmed Sikura, whose farm started out leading stallions Medaglia d'Oro and Candy Ride (Arg). "We started the careers of two really important horses that are no longer here, so to be able to now stand a really important proven stallion to go along with Midnight Lute and the promising young horses we have in Violence (Medaglia d'Oro) and Maclean's Music (Distorted Humor), I think it's kind of like winning the lottery. He's a once-in-a-long-time kind of prospect. Add that to a really good team, it gives you the potential to really jump forward and hopefully we will be a major player in the stallion market." Cont. p3

'MAID-EN' THE SHADE IN WITH ANTICIPATION

Alto Racing LLC's **Azar** (Scat Daddy) became the sixth horse in the history of Saratoga's GII With Anticipation S. to break its maiden in the event, as the \$300,000 Keeneland September graduate sat a ground-saving trip and ran down loose-on-the-lead **Next Shares** (Archarcharch) to graduate by 3/4 of a length. It was another 2 1/2 lengths back to stablemate, 'TDN Rising Star' **Unbridled Daddy** (Scat Daddy) in third.

Azar debuted in a six-furlong maiden over the Belmont turf July 19, and the form of that test has held its own, as it has since produced four next-out winners. One of those was Azar, who set leisurely fractions in a course-and-distance test Aug. 16 and carried the lead into the final eighth of a mile, only to have to settle for second behind the late-running Unbridled Daddy. The latter was a solid fourth in the aforementioned July 19 maiden before earning the Rising Star designation with a 3/4-length defeat of Azar last time out.

Taken back off the pace this time around, the Pletcher trainee settled along the hedge as Next Shares crossed over to set a good pace from a keen **Monster Bea** (Hat Trick {Jpn}). Shuffled back a spot when odds-on **Site Read** (Tizdejavu) launched his bid three wide around the second turn, Azar came under a ride nearing the final corner, slipstreamed Next Shares into the final eighth of a mile, came away from the fence with dead aim shortly after and outfinished the front-runner for the victory. Unbridled Daddy, last into the second turn, rallied deepest into the lane and drifted wide in upper stretch before finishing well for third.

"It worked out better today," winning jockey John Velazquez explained. "The last time he ended up being on the lead and getting out and looking around and [wasn't] really focused on what he needed to do. Today he was following somebody and when I pulled him out, he responded right away." Chart p4



Azar breaks his maiden in the With Anticipation | Adam Coglianese

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A NY-BRED STAR ON THE RISE

TDN Rising Star **She's All Ready** ran her record to two-for-two with a runaway romp in the Seeking the Ante S. at Saratoga Friday. In just two lifetime starts, the \$37,000 Saratoga August NY-bred yearling has now earned:

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Pletcher Saddles Woodward Quartet



Liam's Map (right) | Lauren King

Trainer Todd Pletcher saddled the late Lawyer Ron to victory in the 2007, followed up with Quality Road in 2010, and goes for a third victory in the GI Woodward S. Saturday, the anchor of yet another monster day of racing at the Spa. And the conditioner will have exactly a one-in-two chance of getting the job done, as he saddled no fewer than four of the runners in the eight-strong affair. Chief among them is TDN Rising Star, who will try to bounce back from a gut-wrenching defeat at the hands of fellow Rising Star Honor Code (A.P. Indy) after setting a wicked pace in the GI Whitney S. Aug. 8.

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Ben's Cat won the Mister Diz for the sixth straight time Aug. 22 |

MJC/Jim McCue

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8:50a	Prix d'Arenberg-G3, LON		
10:45a	Dick Poole Fillies' S.-G3, SAL	(TJCIS PPs)	
10:50a	Darley Oettingen-Rennen-G2, BAD		





Curlin to Hill 'n' Dale cont. from p1

Winner of the 2007 GI Breeders' Cup Classic and the 2008 G1 Dubai World Cup, Curlin retired as the all-time North American money winner, with earnings of over \$10.5 million before entering stud at Lane's End. He made an immediate impression, as Palace Malice provided him with a first-crop Classic winner in the GI Belmont S. The bay added a victory in the 2014 GI Metropolitan H. and was recently retired to stud at Three Chimneys.

Curlin's early success made it an easy decision for Sikura when the sale of a 20% interest in the stallion was announced this spring.

"I thought the horse was poised to be a world-class horse," Sikura said of the decision to bid on the

interest. "He had not yet arrived. He showed a versatility which I thought was unique. I thought his start resembled Smart Strike very much. He showed enough success that he looked like a very promising sire in the making. And luckily, week upon week, he has continued to have more and more success at a higher and higher level."

This summer's results have borne out Sikura's opinion as Curlin's third crop of runners have lit up racetracks all across the country in 2015. In addition

to Keen Ice's massive upset in the 'Midsummer Derby,' his daughter Stellar Wind won the GI Santa Anita Oaks and was favored in the GI Kentucky Oaks.



John Sikura | Horsephotos

The John Sadler trainee most recently took her seasonal mark to four wins from five tries with a facile success in the Gill Torrey Pines S. at Del Mar.

On the East Coast, Curalina has risen to the top of the division with scores in the GI Acorn S. and GI CCA Oaks. Owned by Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, Curalina was most recently third in the prestigious GI Alabama S. at Saratoga. Curlin has also been represented at the Spa by Gill Schuylerville S. victress Off the Tracks, while Exaggerator shipped in from California to annex the Gill Saratoga Special S. Although he has yet to test graded stakes waters, Jess's Dream, the product of Curlin and fellow Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d'Oro) earned 'TDN Rising Star' status with an improbable debut victory at the upstate New York oval Aug. 24.

"[Curlin's recent results] confirm what now is a universal opinion, that he is going to become a very important sire and a sire of the highest quality offspring," Sikura said. "The versatility that he presents is very unique, much like Medaglia d'Oro, where he can get the best horse on either surface, at any age and as far as you want to go. There are not many horses that can do that. There are very few horses world-wide who have that ability in them. If you think back to what a great, great racehorse he was and now he is siring the same quality of racehorse, you'd hope and think that, with full books of elite mares, he could be a breed-shaping horse."

Sikura added he will be supporting Curlin with Hill 'n' Dale's stellar broodmare band, led by Teeming (Storm Cat), a daughter of blue-hen mare Better Than Honour and dam of Grade I winner Streaming (Smart Strike).

"We will support him fully," Sikura said. "Teeming and her daughters will be amongst the first group of mares to him. Teeming has been such a great producer and I believe her daughters will be equally effective. We are going to breed our best mares to the horse and seed the home team. We will continue to use outside horses like we have, but we will be heavy supporters of Curlin." **Cont. p4**

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Curlin Relocated cont.

All totaled, Curlin is the sire of 22 black-type winners, nine of which have won at the graded-stakes level. The sire of nearly 72% winners from his starters, Curlin has current progeny earnings of \$22,051,447. He currently sits seventh on the overall sires' list, with seasonal progeny earnings of just over \$7 million.

In partnership with Stonestreet, Hill 'n' Dale stands Atreides (Medaglia d'Oro) and Maclean's Music and Sikura is looking forward to extending the collaboration.

"I have tremendous respect for Barbara," Sikura said. "She is carrying on the tradition of Stonestreet. She is buying yearlings, she is being more collaborative and she is active in all the marketplaces. I've found her to be thoroughly intelligent, very calm and thoughtful and always agreeable. She always does exactly what she says she is going to do and it's been a wonderful working relationship with her."

Asked about a potential 2016 stud fee for Curlin, Sikura said, "There is a realistic hope that Curlin will have Breeders' Cup participants and depending on the successes of his offspring through the end of the year, we'll determine the stud fee and see what everybody thinks."

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Wednesday, Saratoga

WITH ANTICIPATION S.-GII, \$200,000, SAR, 9-2, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:41.68, fm.

1-#@AZAR, 116, c, 2, by [Scat Daddy](#)

1st Dam: Miss Ocean City, by Mineshaft

2nd Dam: Madam Lagonza, by Kingmambo

3rd Dam: Hire a Brain, by Seattle Slew

(\$300,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP). O-Alto Racing LLC; B-Mike Connelly (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-John R Velazquez. \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$136,850. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)

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2--**Next Shares**, 118, g, 2, [Archarcharch](#)--Two Dot Slew, by Evansville Slew. (\$87,000 Ylg '14 FTKOCT). O-Brous Stable LLC, Gary Barber & Wachtel Stable; B-Buck Pond Farm Inc (KY); T-William D Cowans. \$40,000.

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3--**Unbridled Daddy**, 120, c, 2, [Scat Daddy](#)--Unbridled Essence, by Essence of Dubai. O/B-Red Oak Stable (Brunetti) (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher. \$20,000.

Margins: 3/4, 2HF, 2. Odds: 11.20, 15.60, 3.60.

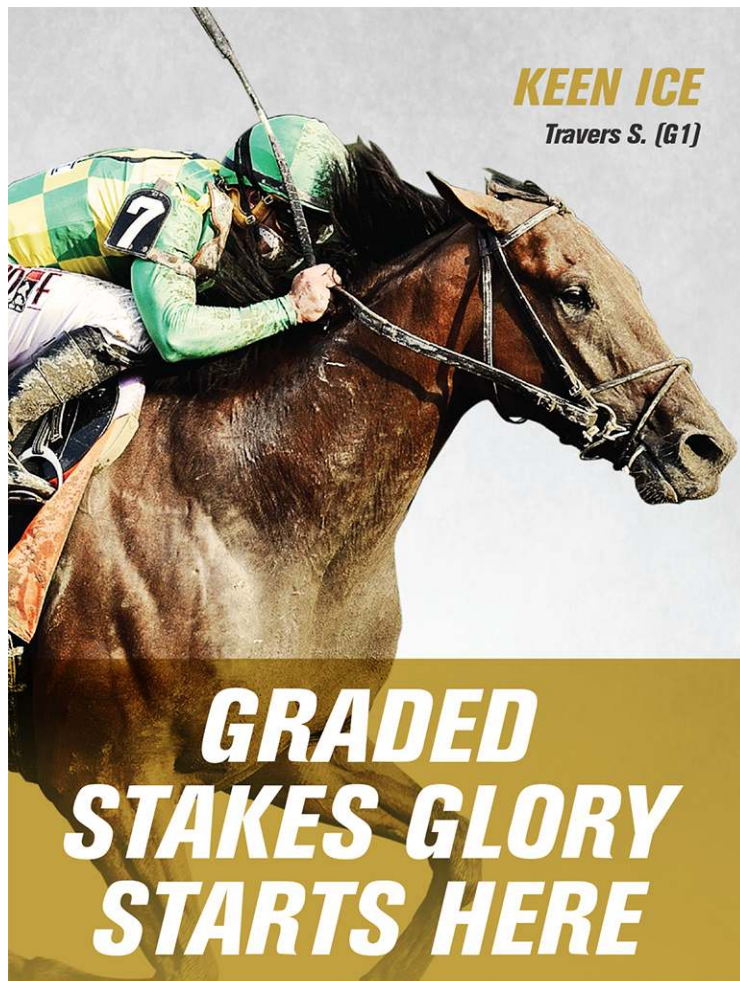
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WOODWARD S.-GI, \$600,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Wicked Strong (K)	Hard Spun	Saez	Jerkens	122
2	Liam's Map (K)	Unbridled's Song	Castellano	Pletcher	118
3	Commanding Curve	Master Command	Bridgmohan	Stewart	118
4	Bay of Plenty	Medaglia d'Oro	Rosario	McLghlin	120
5	Mylute	Midnight Lute	Ortiz Jr	Pletcher	118
6	Coach Inge	Big Brown	Velazquez	Pletcher	120
7	Effinex	Mineshaft	Alvarado	Jerkens	120
8	Protonico	Giant's Causeway	Ortiz	Pletcher	120



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Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 5:11 p.m. EDT

SPINAWAY S.-GI, \$350,000, 2yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Tap to It (K)	Tapit	Rosario	Nicks	118
2	Rachel's Valentina	Bernardini	Velazquez	Pletcher	118
3	Tonasah (K)	Malibu Moon	Castellano	Pletcher	118
4	Anna Rae (K)	Tiz Wonderful	Saez	Englehart	118
5	Constellation (K)	Bellamy Road	Ortiz Jr	Asmussen	118
6	Banree (K)	Macho Uno	Hernandez	Ward	118

Saturday, Del Mar, post time: 9:10 p.m. EDT

DEL MAR DEBUTANTE S.-GI, \$300,000, 2yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Right There (K)	Eskendereya	Desormeaux	Desormeaux	122
2	Come to Mischief (K)	Into Mischief	Stevens	Walder	122
3	Pretty N Cool (K)	Scat Daddy	Garcia	Baffert	122
4	Land Over Sea (K)	Bellamy Road	Gutierrez	O'Neill	118
5	Surfside Tiara	Scat Daddy	Bejarano	Hollendorfer	118
6	Stays in Vegas (K)	City Zip	Prat	Hollendorfer	120
7	One True Kiss (K)	Warrior's Rewrd	Talamo	Miller	118
8	My Dynamo (K)	Discreetly Mine	Perez	Bonde	118
9	Gomo	Uncle Mo	Solis	O'Neill	118
10	Mitzi Winks (K)	Lookin At Lucky	Van Dyke	O'Neill	116
11	Songbird	Medaglia d'Oro	Smith	Hollendorfer	118

Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 4:33 p.m. EDT

SARANAC S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Money Multiplier	Lookin At Lucky	Velazquez	Brown	117
2	Sky Hero (K)	Sky Mesa	Saez	Casse	117
3	Takeover Target (K)	Harlan's Holiday	Ortiz Jr	Brown	121
4	Winter Springs (Fr)	Stormy River (Fr)	Castellano	Brown	117
5	Go Around (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Lezcano	Mott	117
6	Vision Perfect	Pollard's Vision	Franco	Donk	121
7	World Approval	Northern Afleet	Rosario	Casse	119
8	Nonna's Boy	Distorted Humor	DeCarlo	Pletcher	119

Saturday, Saratoga, post time: 6:24 p.m. EDT

GLENS FALLS S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Maximova	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Ortiz	Clement	118
2	White Rose (K)	Tapit	Bridgmohan	Mott	118
3	Eastern Belle (GB)	Champs Elysees (GB)	Velazquez	Motion	118
4	Ceisteach (Ire)	New Approach (Ire)	Hill	Proctor	120
5	Bocaiuva (Ire)	Teofilo (Ire)	Rosario	Delacour	118
6	Goldy Espony (Fr)	Vespone (Ire)	Carmouche	Brown	120
7	Lady of Gold (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Alvarado	Motion	116
8	Evidently	Smart Strike	Castellano	Lerman	118
9	Regardez (GB)	Champs Elysees (GB)	Ortiz Jr	Brown	118

Saturday, Monmouth Park, post time: 5:21 p.m. EDT

BOILING SPRINGS S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Rachel Wall (K)	Blame	Centeno	Motion	116
2	Cali Thirty Seven (K)	Eskendereya	Worrie	Orseno	116
3	Strict Compliance	Into Mischief	Bravo	Brown	120
4	Pine Needles	Giant's Causeway	McCarthy	Clement	116
5	Red Sashay (K)	Big Brown	Pimentel	Cibelli	118
6	Jellicle Ball (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Rispoli	Motion	116
7	Gypsy Judy	Kitalpha	Toledo	Graham	116
8	Sivoliere (Ire)	Sea The Stars (Ire)	Saez	Brown	116
9	Isabella Sings	Eskendereya	Lopez	Pletcher	116
10	Bishop's Pond (K)	Curlin	Castellano Jr	Brown	120

Monday, Presque Isle Downs, post time: 7:20 p.m. EDT

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS MASTERS S.-GII, \$400,000, 3yo/up, f/m,

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
6 1/2f (AWT)					
1	Nellie Cashman (K)	Mineshaft	Boyce	Abbott III	118
2	Miss Mischief	Into Mischief	Gallardo	Capuano	112
3	Living The Life (Ire)	Ftspinsnd (GB)	Bravo	Mandella	115
4	Leigh Court	Grand Slam	Boulanger	Stidham	112
5	Pirate's Trove (K)	Speightstown	Geroux	Stidham	112
6	Cactus Kris (K)	Cactus Ridge	Pino	Walsh	118
7	Ageless (K)	Successful Appeal	Leparoux	Delacour	123
8	Dauphine Russe (Fr)	Russian Blue (Ire)	Hernandez	Maker	112
9	Miss Tapit (K)	Tapit	Santos	Maddox	112

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KING AND THE CAT: THE PRIDE OF MARYLAND *By T.D. Thornton*

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Ben's Cat won the Mister Diz for the sixth straight time Aug. 22 | MJC/Jim McCue

Despite 25 stakes wins, \$2.46 million in earnings, and a course record to his credit (five furlongs on the Parx turf in :54.96), the stout-

hearted gelding is not well known outside the mid-Atlantic circuit.

"He's every bit of a real good classy horse," said Leatherbury. "He's very well-behaved, but he knows he's a big shot."

Even when Ben's Cat recently surpassed a streak of durability established by the mighty Kelso, the feat did not get much mention in the racing press.

On Aug. 22 at Laurel Park, Ben's Cat won the \$60,000 Mister Diz S. The victory was significant because it was the sixth consecutive year the gelding won that stakes race. He has scored in every edition of the Mister Diz since 2010, a remarkable accomplishment that is not diminished by the black-type race's restriction to Maryland-breds.

Although statistics for winning the same stakes race in consecutive years are not well documented, the record was believed to be held by Exterminator (four straight Saratoga Cups 1919-22) before Kelso scored in every Jockey Club Gold Cup between 1960 and 1964.

Leaping Plum, a Nebraska-based gelding, appears to be the only horse to win the annual renewal of a stakes race seven consecutive times. He romped in the Grasmick H., a four-furlong dash held during the early winter part of the Fonner Park season, every year between 1995 and 2001.

"I thought I had a record, but not quite yet," Leatherbury told *TDN*. "As long as he's doing fine, we'll go after it next year."

For Leatherbury, a lack of national recognition is not a problem. He said it's trumped by the strong support the gelding receives from the locals. **Cont. p7**

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“My big horse has got tremendous fans,” Leatherbury said. “One reason is he’s been around so long. Most horses are a flash in the pan, and just when people start to like them, they disappear from the scene. But he comes back year after year, so his fans are able to share in his success.”

Leatherbury said Ben’s Cat even has one admirer who twice this summer has sent big plastic tubs of “high end horse cookies” to share with his stablemates.



King T. Leatherbury |
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Another reason railbirds are attracted to Ben’s Cat is his uncanny knack for winning via tight photo finishes, even when he looks hopelessly beaten a furlong out. Thirteen of his 30 lifetime victories have been decided by margins of less than a length.

“I like to say this proves excitement doesn’t weaken your health,” Leatherbury deadpanned.

In many ways the hometown hoopla for Ben’s Cat mirrors the pride Maryland racing fans feel for Leatherbury. They know

their King more as the plainspoken gentleman trainer who has won 52 training titles at Pimlico and Laurel than as North America’s fourth all-time winningest trainer (6,460 wins).

According the Maryland Horse Breeders Association, Ben’s Cat has racked up four state Horse of the Year titles and 17 divisional championships (older male, turf horse and sprinter). Those accomplishments are even more remarkable considering the gelding suffered a fractured pelvis late in his 2-year-old season that kept him from debuting until age 4, and that Leatherbury felt so ambivalent about him early on that he started Ben’s Cat for a claiming tag in his first two races.

“We didn’t think he was anything special,” Leatherbury rationalized. “I actually ran him for \$20,000 and \$25,000 claimers. At that time, we didn’t think he was any kind of a decent horse. But once he won eight races in a row, then we knew we had something,” Leatherbury said.

Leatherbury explained how an experimental foray into the breeding business more than three decades ago eventually produced Ben’s Cat.

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Azar (Scat Daddy) employs off-pace tactics to win the GII With Anticipation S.



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In 1982, when he was riding high as Maryland’s top claiming conditioner, Leatherbury said he decided to apply the same “shotgun approach” that was netting him winners at the claiming box to trying to acquire quality broodmares at auctions.

Along with several partners, he bought an in-foal broodmare named Dronette at a Timonium sale for \$57,000. Leatherbury said she had “one foot set out horribly, almost like a 45-degree angle, it was that bad. There was no way in the world that she would ever have raced, but she had such good bloodlines” (by Drone out of a Pago Pago mare).

Dronette’s first foal was stakes-placed, and Leatherbury said “everything she produced went on to be a good producer. She was just a good foundation broodmare. It was almost kind of a luck thing that we were buying.”

Several years later, when the clients in that partnership decided to go separate ways and divided up their horses, Leatherbury ended up with Dronette.

Dronette eventually foaled Endette, a filly who never won but later produced Ah Day, a GIII winner who Leatherbury now refers to as his “second-best horse.” In 1993, Dronette foaled the stakes-placed filly Twofox. When bred to Parker’s Storm Cat, Twofox produced Ben’s Cat in 2006.

Leatherbury explained that Ben’s Cat’s pelvis fracture was the result of the stress of training. He gave the gelding stall rest for six months “and the rest is history.” **Cont. p8**

King Leatherbury cont.

After winning his first eight races, Ben's Cat tasted his first defeat against stakes company at Aqueduct. With the exception of one other Grade III trip to Belmont Park in 2014 and two races at Delaware Park in 2010, Leatherbury has kept him on the Maryland/Pennsylvania circuit. The gelding owns four Grade III wins, all at Parx, two each in the Turf Monster H. and Parx Dash.

"I think what benefited him is the fact that he did not run early in life, so he had time to mature," Leatherbury said. "A horse doesn't fully mature until he's five years old anyway. So this gave him a chance for everything to set up nicely, and it's helped him last long. He's got good conformation too, which keeps him sound. He's reached his peak and he's holding it well."

Leatherbury credits consistency under the shed row with keeping Ben's Cat in form. He said the gelding has had the same exercise rider, Doug Leatherman, [note: yes, the last names are similar, but different] since before his racing debut.

"Doug claims he just never tails off, he just feels good all the time," Leatherbury said. "He's a beautiful horse. He's almost black. What keeps him from being labeled as black is one little teeny bit of white hairs. You'd almost call him the black beauty."

Ben's Cat has also partnered with the same jockey, Julian Pimentel, for 38 of his 50 races, including every try since June 2012.

"He's an unbelievable horse, very fun to be around," said Pimentel. "He's been the same since he was four. He's usually very calm, very quiet, but when it's time to go to the gate, he's all business. He wants to just run. I just let him do his thing. When they go slow, we're up close, when they go fast, I'm going to be a bit farther back. I have to be careful though, because once he goes to the lead, he looks around a lot."

Leatherbury said Ben's Cat "seems really disappointed when he loses. I know people would laugh at something like that, but all my help at the barn recognizes it. He knows where the finish line is, and he knows he's supposed to beat that horse in front of him. He just tries his best to catch whoever's in front of him."

Leatherbury is mulling both Monday's \$300,000 GIII Turf Monster H. at Parx and the Sept. 12 \$100,000 Laurel Dash for Ben's Cat's next start.

"We'll probably analyze them both, and if we can win the big one [at Parx], well go for that. And if it looks like we can't, then we just might wait for the Laurel race," Leatherbury said.

Leatherbury owns Ben's Cat under the program name The Jim Stable. The name traces to an old family joke: Decades ago, his twin boys were enamored with a Sesame Street television skit in which one of the characters referred to everybody as "Jim." So on a whim, that's what Leatherbury wrote down on his owner's license application.

Leatherbury is down to one broodmare now. He has 14 horses stabled at Laurel. When asked if that's a

good number of horses to train at this stage of his career, he politely bristles.

"No. I've got room for more," Leatherbury replied. "My owners have died off. That's what happens--people get old and they die. It's not easy to pick up new owners these days."

When asked about his big summer--the Hall of Fame induction; the success with Ben's Cat--Leatherbury modestly deflects the attention. King prefers to let his horses do the talking.

"Yeah, I know, it's been my last hurrah," Leatherbury said with a chuckle before turning serious. "I was very honored to be elected. I'd like to win a few more races, that's all."

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COLLAZO 'HOPEFUL' THAT THIS IS HIS SHOT

By Christie DeBernardis

Trainer Henry Collazo has been in the racing business for over 40 years, but has just one graded stakes win to his name courtesy of Mucho Mas Macho (Macho Uno) in the 2013 Gil Fort Lauderdale S. at his Gulfstream Park homebase. The veteran conditioner looks to add to his resume and make a few lifelong dreams come true Monday with **Bullet Gone Astray** (Gone Astray), who will attempt to take his record to three-for-three in Saratoga's GI Hopeful S.

"I have placed in graded stakes in the past, but as far as winning one Mucho Mas Macho was my first and I am looking for Bullet [Gone Astray] to be my second," Collazo said when reached by phone at Saratoga Wednesday afternoon.

Collazo purchased the colt privately on behalf of longtime owner and friend John Kasbar of Four Horsemen Racing Stable from consignor David McKathan after the horse RNA'd at the OBS April sale.

"John Kasbar and myself, we liked that stud and he told me to go and take a look at the horse," Collazo recalled. "So, I did and I liked him so much I bought him right away. The horse was impressive to me and it was just something about his personality. There are a lot of horses that have good conformation and pass all the criteria, but they just never pan out. This particular horse just has a presence about him. I pretty much purchase my horses from my gut feeling."



Henry Collazo |
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Look for the  throughout the TDN graded stakes entries, denoting Keeneland sales graduates.



Henry Collazo cont.

He continued, "From the very moment I went in the stall, before I spoke to anybody or even left the stall, I already knew I wanted him. I walked out of the stall and David was parking the truck. I walked up to David and he just happened to be on the phone with the breeder Joe Carroll, and I told David, 'Tell him the horse is sold and I'll give you \$15,000 for him.' We shook hands and that was it."

Bullet Gone Astray proved Collazo's gut feeling right from the get go with a decisive debut win at odds of 8-1 in a sloppy five-furlong test at Gulfstream June 28.

"I really was expecting a performance like that," Collazo said of the colt's debut. "He just showed me that he was a good horse from the very beginning. He has never missed a beat. He has never given me a gray hair."

The bay was hammered down to 1-2 favoritism in a scratched-down field of five next out in the Mountaineer Juvenile S. Aug. 1 and ran to those odds with a dominant nine-length victory.

"You couldn't have asked for any more than he did," Collazo remarked. "It was just a shame that everybody scratched out because I think it would have been more impressive if he would have had a little bit stiffer competition and beat more horses. But, I was confident that he was going to run big. I was confident that he was going to put in his effort because he is a very sensible horse to be around and he pretty much understands what his job is and he enjoys doing it."

After that victory, Collazo decided there was no time like the present to take a shot at the big leagues with his stable star.

"You've got to beat somebody to be somebody," the Florida resident said. "This is as good a time as any to try. Not to mention, every owner's dream and every trainer's dream is to win at Saratoga. He's a dream horse so I'm sure he is going to fulfill them for me."

As far as facing the likes of Gill Sanford S. one-two **Uncle Vinny** (Uncle Mo) and **Magna Light** (Magna Graduate) and others who have already won at the Spa, Collazo is not worried.

"In my mind we are all pretty much on an even playing field because no one has started more than a few times," the 63-year-old said. "My horse doesn't read the racing form and I know better than to be scared off. There is nobody there to be scared about. These are all young horses and this early in the year, the pool of 2-year-olds isn't that large, so why not? Why not start testing the water?"

Collazo added, "I am confident he will give me his best. I am confident he will try 110%, but the outcome is up to God."



Bullet Gone Astray | Coady Photography

"All I can do is say a prayer and hope he comes back sound and happy. That's all I can ask for. Winning is icing on the cake, but he is the cake and running is the cake. If he wins then we can start thinking about bigger and better things. But, right now I am grateful to have him in the condition he is in and with the attitude that he has. Winning would be just a blessing."

The conditioner will instead stick with the colt's regular pilot Luca Panici for the Hopeful.

"The rider I've got would probably be a good rider in New York," he commented. "My owner and myself are firm believers in loyalty. Luca has been on the horse since before he even started and there is no reason in my mind to change. I don't want to rock the boat. What got me to this spot is what I am going to stay with."

Collazo has been with Bullet Gone Astray for both of his previous starts and handles all of the horse's care himself when they are on the road. He arrived at Saratoga Monday night so he could be there to take the horse off the van Tuesday morning.

"I got my start walking horses and rubbing horses," the trainer remarked. "I have done just about everything there is to do at the racetrack. I jump at the chance to take a big horse and I don't mind rubbing them and taking care of them as long as it's just one. It's fun. It brings me back to my roots."

He continued, "It brings back fond memories you know? I came up to Saratoga with Shocker T, back in 1986, when she won [the Gll John A. Morris H.]. I was one of George Gianos's assistants and I came up and stayed with her at Saratoga and Belmont. It is a privilege to rub a horse of that caliber. It's a hell of a vacation for me."

Collazo's 10-horse barn, which consists mostly of 2-year-olds, is based at Gulfstream, but he has traveled up and down the East Coast and has come to Saratoga a few times to race since going out on his own in 1979. While he has finished second several times, he has yet to be victorious at the upstate New York venue.

Winning at the Spa alone would be a thrilling accomplishment for Collazo, but earning his first Grade I at the prestigious race track would be the ultimate dream come true.

"Just thinking about it makes me get goosebumps and just chills," Collazo enthused. "I get electrified just being here. It's all about the dream and I am very emotional. I'd probably break down. They are God's gift, these animals, and for them to take me to where I am at and where I've been, it's a blessing. It is too much to even think about or put into words, but I know I would bring up some tears. That's for sure."

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[Horse Hospital Expands Saratoga Springs Surgical Center](#)

"Rood and Riddle, a Kentucky equine horse hospital and surgical center, is investing more than \$2.5 million to expand its Saratoga Springs, New York, operation." **Robin Cooper, Albany Business Review**



Wednesday, Baden-Baden, Germany
BADEN-BADENER ZUKUNFTSRENNEN-G3, €55,000,
 BAD, 9-2, 2yo, 7fT, 1:25.34, gd.

1--#[@DESSERTOFLIFE \(IRE\)](#), 125, f, 2, by [Mastercraftsman \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: **Cranky Spanky (Ire)** (SW-Ity, \$111,314), by **Spectrum (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Armenia (Ire)**, by **Arazi**

3rd Dam: **Atlantic Flyer**, by **Storm Bird**

(€18,000 Wlg '13 GOFNOV; 42,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT). O-TT Bloodstocks; B-Angelo Robiati (IRE); T-Mark Johnston; J-Joe Fanning. €32,000. Lifetime Record: MSP-Eng, 6-2-2-0, €52,789. **Werk Nick**

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

2--**Shy Witch (Ger)**, 125, f, 2, Areion (Ger)--Shyla (Ger), by Monsagem. O/B-Karin Schwerdtfeger (GER); T-H-J Groschel. €11,000.

3--**Millowitsch (Ger)**, 128, c, 2, Sehrezad (Ire)--Muriel (Ire), by Fath. O/B-Dr Alexandra Margarete Renz (GER); T-Markus Klug. €5,500.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.50, 6.50, 1.90. Also Ran: Fanfaron (Fr), Whole Lotta Rosie (Ger), Moonshiner (Ger). [Click for the Racing Post result.](#)

When Mark Johnston vowed at the start of 2015 to concentrate like never before on his juveniles, it quickly became clear that the trainer more noted for his older middle-distance performers or stayers was on to something and the results have spoken for themselves as the season has wore on. One of Kingsley House's b-team, Dessertoflife boasted strong enough form to make the locals side with her after finishing second in the Listed Star S. at Sandown July 23 and the Listed Washington Singer S. at Newbury Aug. 15, both over seven furlongs. After the colt Palawan (GB) (Mount Nelson {GB}), who was third on the latter occasion, had advertised the form when scoring impressively at Goodwood 24 hours previously, the grey was sent straight to the front by Joe Fanning and gave back plenty of that famed Johnston fight as Shy Witch tried to impose herself in the last furlong.

HE'S THE MOS

Denied a chance to test his raw material when an 11th-hour withdrawal from the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois, **Vadamos (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger}) who is held in the highest regard by Andre Fabre takes to Baden-Baden on Thursday to spice up the G2 Darley Oettingen-Rennen. Ruled out of Deauville's mile highlight due to a fever, Haras de Saint Pair's 4-year-old has all the right physical



Vadamos | *Scoop Dyga*

credentials to support his trainer's hope that "he can be my new Manduro" and earned a supplementary entry to that Aug. 16 feature after working impressively. His form lacks the clout of his reputation at present, with wins in last July's Listed Prix Frederic de

Lagrange over 12 furlongs at Vichy and a 10-furlong Chantilly conditions event on his sole seasonal outing July 12 interspersed with a disappointing seventh of eight in Longchamp's G2 Prix Niel over the former distance in September. If Vadamos is as good as he's cracked up to be, there should be little to stand in his way here with the 3-year-old filly **Full Rose (GB)** (Aqlaam {GB}) coming off a disappointing fifth in the G2 Meilen Trophy at Hanover July 12. Previously, Jaber Abdullah's chestnut had beaten the subsequent listed winner Nymeria (Ger) (Soldier Hollow {GB}) in Dusseldorf's G2 German 1000 Guineas at the end of May and may be worth another chance to prove herself better than the Meilen Trophy's second and third **Felician (Ger)** (Motivator {GB}) and **Red Dubawi (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}).

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Thursday, Baden-Baden, Germany, post time: 4.50 p.m.

DARLEY OETTINGEN-RENNEN-G2, €70,000, 3yo/up, 8fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Abendwind (Ger)	Wiesenpfad (Fr)	Pietsch	Hickst	128
2	10	Amazonit (Ger)	Kamsin (Ger)	M Lerner	Grewe	128
3	2	Diplomat (Ger)	Teofilo (Ire)	de Vries	Hofer	128
4	3	Felician (Ger)	Motivator (GB)	Starke	Leve	128
5	4	Nordico (Ger)	Medicean (GB)	Minarik	Hofer	128
6	8	Red Dubawi (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Suborics	Mader	128
7	6	Vadamos (Fr)	Monsun (Ger)	Cheminaud	Fabre	128
8	5	Merry Me (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Balding	Probert	125
9	1	Rosebay (Ger)	It's Gino (Ger)	Seidl	Klug	125
10	9	Full Rose (GB)	Aqlaam (GB)	Pedroza	Wohler	123

Thursday, Salisbury, Britain, post time: 3.45 p.m.

COUNTRY GENTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION DICK POOLE FILLIES' S.-G3,

£43,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	6	Bahaarah (Ire)	Iffraaj (GB)	Levey	Hannon
2	4	Dolce Strega (Ire)	Scr	Scr	Scr
3	2	La Rioja (GB)	Hellvelyn (GB)	Atzeni	Candy
4	7	Mayfair Lady (GB)	Holy Rmn Emperor (Ire)	Garritty	Fahey
5	3	Pity Cash (Ire)	Approve (Ire)	Gannon	Evans
6	1	Thatsallimsaying (Ire)	Dandy Man (Ire)	Egan	Evans
7	5	Unilit (Ire)	Approve (Ire)	de Sousa	Channon
8	8	Whatdowantthatfor (Ire)	Kodiac (GB)	Dobbs	Hannon

All carry 126 pounds.

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Thursday, Longchamp, France, post time: 2.50 p.m.

PRIX D'ARENBERG-G3, €80,000, 2yo, 5fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	2	Money Maker (Spa)	American Post (GB)	C Demuro	Chappet
2	6	Fly on the Night (GB)	Equiano (Fr)	Rispoli	A&G Botti
3	1	Aquamerica 	Lonhro (Aus)	Barzalona	Ferland
4	8	Noce (Fr)	Le Havre (Ire)	Benoist	Baillet
5	4	Lil's Joy (Ire)	Lilbourne Lad (Ire)	Mendizabal	Bravery
6	7	Goona Chope (Fr)	Namid (GB)	Auge	Chopard
7	3	Chanche the Life (Ire)	Frozen Power (Ire)	Pasquier	Fouin
8	5	Yakaba (Fr)	Medicean (GB)	Guyon	Head

All carry 120 pounds Money Maker & Fly on the Night, 123.

Thursday, Longchamp, post time: 3.20 p.m.

PRIX DE LIANCOURT-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 10 1/2fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	3	Samadrisa (Ire)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Soumillon	Royer-Dupre
2	1	Pacific Angel (Ire)	Dalakhani (Ire)	Badel	Delzangles
3	7	Moonee Valley (Fr)	Aqlaam (GB)	Barzalona	Hofer
4	4	Stormy Victoria (Fr)	Stormy River (Fr)	Boudot	Delcher-Sanchez
5	6	Moi Meme (GB)	Teofilo (Ire)	Thulliez	Bary
6	2	Marunouchi (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	Peslier	Royer-Dupre
7	5	Marypop (Fr)	Layman	Guyon	Brandt

All carry 123 pounds.

NEWMARKET PLAN FOR BEAR

Kodi Bear (Ire) (Kodiac {GB}) looks a highly progressive horse of late and indeed his trainer Clive Cox, who handled champion sprinter Lethal Force (Ire) (Dark Angel {Ire}) feels he may be the best he has trained. Following his smooth win in last week's G2 Celebration Mile at Goodwood the 3-year-old is now rated 118 but Cox is considering another race in Group 2 company before taking on the best milers around. The Lambourn



Kodi Bear and connections at Goodwood | *Racing Post*

trainer has nominated the G2 Joel S. at Newmarket Sept. 25 as a possibility and commented, "Kodi Bear has come out of Saturday's victory very well. I am thrilled with his progress during the second half of the season. The conditions of the Joel S. suit him very well as he avoids a Group 2 penalty and he is a possible runner. He is also in the G1 Prix du Moulin, although that is in ten days time so we have every base covered. I am relaxed about underfoot conditions for him as he has already shown that he acts on both fast ground and soft ground." Kodi Bear has been ridden in his last two races by veteran French jockey Gerald Mosse who also rode the former Clive Cox trained Reckless Abandon (Exchange Rate) to a pair of Group 1 victories in 2012.

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SNOW EXPECTED FOR MELBOURNE

Leading international owner/breeder Prince Khalid Abdullah looks set to have his first runner in the G1 Melbourne Cup this year. Plans are in place to target the Sir Michael Stoute trained **Snow Sky (GB)** (Nayef) at the race in Flemington Nov. 3 with connections opting not to take in a local race on the way. Outlining plans, Lord Grimthorpe, racing manager to the owner said, "The plan at this stage is to take Snow Sky to the



Snow Sky | *Racing Post*

Melbourne Cup where he will head without a prep. Sir Michael had half thought about the Irish St. Leger for him but thinks it best if we keep him fresh. It's exciting for the Prince as we certainly have not had a runner in my time with him and as a dual Group 2 winner we think Snow Sky has more to give at the top level." Last seen finishing a tame sixth in the G1 King George VI And Queen Elizabeth S. the 4-year-old Juddmonte homebred had previously logged an

impressive front running display to win the G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot.

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TEXAS TRACKS BACK OPEN

One day after failing to allocate funding to allow the Texas Racing Commission to remain open, forcing the temporary closure of all facilities and simulcasting operations, a plan to keep the Commission in business for at least the next 90 days was announced Wednesday by Texas Lt. Governor Dan Patrick.

In a statement, the Lieutenant Governor's office said, "This authorization immediately allows the commission to operate for the next 90 days. It also allows Gov. Greg Abbott additional time to name members to the three expired terms of the Texas Racing Commission. Any disagreement with the commission that resulted in this stalemate was never about ending horse and dog racing in Texas. Instead, it was about making sure the appointed commissioners follow the law as directed by the legislature and a state district judge."

Officials at Sam Houston Race Park were relieved with the resolution, but realize there is work yet to be done.

"We are glad to see our ability to operate our business restored," Sam Houston president Andrea Young commented in a release. "However, we remain extremely concerned with both the process and the extremely short period of funding. Like any business, we need to be able to plan farther out than three months. On behalf of all the hard-working Texans impacted by the recent shutdown, we plan to continue our efforts to strengthen the Texas racing industry."

Live Thoroughbred racing is currently taking place in the state at Retama Park in San Antonio. A Quarter horse meet is scheduled to begin Sept. 18 at Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie.

New York

Wednesday's Results:

4th-SAR, \$83,000, Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10.76, ft.

NICKNAME (f, 2, [Scat Daddy](#)--Nina Fever {MSP, \$216,517}, by [Borrego](#)), fourth behind 'TDN Rising Star' Rachel's Valentina (Bernardini--Rachel Alexandra)



Nickname | NYRA/Coglianesse

in her Aug. 2 unveiling over track and trip, was pounded down to 4-5 this time and did not disappoint. Away well, the dark bay was headed by fellow second timer Sky My Sky (Bernardini), but punched back to travel on even terms with that foe along the rail through splits of :22.40 and :45.47. Second

choice J La Tache (Harlan's Holiday) ranged up to challenge that pair into the lane, but Nickname had the most left in her reserves, and kicked away for a commanding 3 1/2-length victory, scoring a natural double for her sire, who was represented by GII With Anticipation S. winner Azar one race earlier.

Sky My Sky held second over J La Tache. Nickname is the first foal to race out of MSP Nina Fever, who was claimed for \$40,000 out of her final start at Keeneland in 2011. She produced a Cape Blanco (Ire) colt in 2014 and a Stay Thirsty filly earlier this year before returning to Scat Daddy. These connections will be represented in Saturday's GI Spinaway S. by Constellation (Bellamy Road), who bested J La Tache by 4 1/4 lengths in her Aug. 9 unveiling to earn the 'Rising Star' distinction. Sales history: \$350,000 yrl '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$53,950. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-LNJ Foxwoods; B-Michael Hui (KY); T-Steven M. Asmussen.

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7th-SAR, \$73,000, (S), Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.03, ft.

+ **MELODIC** (f, 2, [Tale of the Cat](#)--Christina's Melody, by [Unbridled's Song](#)), a \$50,000 KEESEP yearling who blossomed into a \$150,000 OBSAPR 2-year-old after a :10 1/5 breeze, took a touch of early money before drifting up to 19-1 at the off. Tracking from the pocket as second timer Louisville First (Girolamo) showed the way, the debutante sliced through a seam entering the lane and wore down the front-runner en route to a widening two-length victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$43,800. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Treadway Racing Stable; B-Mia Gallo, Dave Stack, Mary Kopley, Sam Palazzole, Bernie Ryan & et al (NY); T-Leah Gyarmati.

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WOODS EDGE FARM GRADUATE

Thursday, Saratoga Race Course, post time: 2:39 p.m. ET

P.G. JOHNSON S., \$100,000, 2yo, f, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Harmonize	Scat Daddy	Alvarado	Mott	4-1
2	Finn's Girl	Bernardini	McCarthy	Motion	5-2
3	Seaside Schiller	Artie Schiller	L Saez	Matz	4-1
4	Thrilled	Uncle Mo	Velazquez	Pletcher	3-1
5	Ava's Kitten	Kitten's Joy	Castellano	Brown	7-2
6	Fooled by Magic	Tiz Wonderful	Rice	Rice	30-1

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Wednesday's Results:

1st-PID, \$30,600, Msw, 9-2, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:12.21, ft.

+ **SPECIAL SELECT (c, 2, [Hard Spun](#)--Quality Play, by [Elusive Quality](#))** had fired a number of bullets at Fair Hill in preparation for his unveiling, and was given a 2-1 chance for an outfit whose firsters tend to be particularly dangerous at this venue. Quickest from the blocks, the dark bay eventually worked his way to the rail from his outside draw. He shook loose hitting the stretch, but was all out late to fend off G F Budders (U S Ranger) by a neck. The winner's second dam is GSW Colonial Play (Pleasant Colony), who produced MGISW Marsh Side (Gone West). Sales history: \$160,000 Ylg '14 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Robert V. LaPenta; B-Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (KY); T-H. Graham Motion.

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Suffolk Track Superintendent Pini Dies:

Suffolk Downs track superintendent Steven J. Pini, whose family goes back three generations at the Boston-area oval, died of an apparent heart attack Sept. 1. He had just celebrated his 63rd birthday Aug. 25. A grandson of Nicholas Pini, who in 1935 helped construct Suffolk Downs on land not far from the Atlantic Ocean, and son of Charles Pini, who took over as general foreman of the track in the late 1950s, Steve Pini took over when his father died unexpectedly in the mid 1980s and oversaw the maintenance of the surfaces since, including the preparation for the arrival of the late Cigar for consecutive victories number eight and 15 in the Mass 'Caps of 1995 and 1996, respectively. Winner of the Sam McCracken Award for lifetime contributions to racing in the New England states, Pini was helping to prepare for the first of three live racing programs to be staged at Suffolk Downs this Saturday. He is survived by his wife, Janice; daughters Jaclyn and Christine; and grandchildren Sam, Madeline and Lilah. A funeral mass is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 4, at St. Joseph Church, 173 Albion St., Wakefield, MA. Visitation for friends and family will be held at the McDonald Funeral Home, 19 Yale Ave., Wakefield, Thursday between 4 and 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN, 38105.

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Canada

Wednesday's Results:

OLG MUSKOKA S. PRESENTED BY NOT BOURBON S., C\$201,200, WO, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.55, ft.

1--**#SHAKE DOWN BABY, 119, f, 2, by Wando**

1st Dam: **Megavista, by Medaglia d'Oro**

2nd Dam: **Bodhavista, by Pass the Tab**

3rd Dam: **Fia, by One for All**

(C\$5,000 Ylg '14 CANSEP). O-R P I Stable, F Harrison & Natural Eight Stable; B-Gustav Schickedanz (ON); T-William Tharrenos; J-Gerry Olguin. C\$120,000. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$119,533.

 **Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad** 

2--**Crumlin Spirit, 114, f, 2, [Court Vision](#)--Heart Lake, by Unbridled.** (C\$37,000 RNA Ylg '14 CANSEP).

O-Dura Racing & M J Doyle Racing Stables Ltd.; B-William D Graham (ON); T-Michael J Doyle. C\$40,000.

 **Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad** 

3--**Lyla Lorraine, 115, f, 2, Spaniard--Mad 'bout You, by Skip Trial.** (C\$12,000 Ylg '14 CANSEP). O-Sherry D McLean & Denny Andrews; B-Sherry McLean (ON); T-Michael P. De Paulo. C\$20,000.

 **Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad** 

Margins: 5 1/4, 2, 1. Odds: 3.75, 2.45, 17.75.

Also Ran: **Conquest Dynasty, The Mink Mile, Sparkles' Girl, String Bikini, Trini Brewnette, Ariel's Vision, Bearsatlanticmist, Westlodge Intrigue.**

A debut fourth-placed third sprinting 4 1/2 furlongs over this track June 27, Shake Down Baby finished a midpack fourth in the July 12 Shady Well S. and was coming into this off a runner-up effort in the Aug. 3 Nandi S. In touch with the early pace from about fifth position, Shake Down Baby traveled strongly on the turn and Gerry Olguin shoved her between rivals and three wide into the lane. From there it was academic, as she swept powerfully in front and was never in danger in the final furlong and a half. The winner's dam is a half-sister to Imperialism, a son of Shake Down Baby's paternal grandsire Langfuhr. Imperialism was a top 3-year-old of 2004, with a victory in the GII San Rafael S., a runner-up effort in the GI Santa Anita Derby and a third in the GI Kentucky Derby. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).



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Central U.S.

Wednesday's Results:

3rd-TDN, \$32,500, (S), Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:05.48, ft.
 + **PROPER DISCRETION (f, 2, [Discreetly Mine](#)--Prizes {MSP, \$162,120}, by Prized)** showed a snappy local worktab, and was backed down to 7-5 for her high-percentage barn. Quickly in front, the homebred proved simply too much for her competition as she galloped home 8 1/4 lengths clear while geared down. Dreaminofjustice (Lantana Mob) completed the exacta. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,500. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O/B-Bruce Tallisman (OH); T-Benny R. Feliciano.
Another Webb Carroll Training Center Graduate

6th-IND, \$32,000, Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.01, ft.
 + **JET BLACK MAGIC (f, 2, [Hold Me Back](#)--Rhodelia, by Silver Deputy)**, a 5-1 shot drawing in off the also-eligible list, was working regularly at Churchill Downs for this first try. Stalking the pace out wide, the dark bay looked to be running for second at best as Mis Isla (Into Mischief) built up a sizeable advantage in upper stretch. The leader grew leg weary, however, and Jet Black Magic kept on coming to win going away by 2 1/4 lengths. Sales history: \$47,000 Ylg '14 BSCYRL. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#).

O-Carl R. Moore Management LLC; B-Clear Creek Stud LLC (LA); T-W. Bret Calhoun.

California

Wednesday's Results:

TRANQUILITY LAKE S., \$108,330, DMR, 9-2, (C), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37.05, ft.
 1--**WILD IN THE SADDLE, 123, m, 6, Silic (Fr)--Local Law, by Wild Deputy.** O-Nadine Anderson & Cheyenne Ortiz; B-Dinesh Maniar (CA); T-Richard Baltas; J-Mario Gutierrez. \$65,400. Lifetime Record: 37-9-1-9, \$360,968.
 2--**My Monet, 123, f, 4, Decarchy--Madam, by Lord Avie.** (\$275,000 RNA 4yo '15 BARJUL). O-KM Racing Enterprise Inc.; B-Ridgeley Farm LLC (CA); T-Ricky Agarie. \$21,800.
 3--**Our Pure Creation, 117, m, 5, Pure Prize--Creative Karen, by Smart Strike.** O/B-Joe Parker (CA); T-Val Brinkerhoff. \$13,080.

Margins: 3/4, 1HF, NO. Odds: 19.20, 7.90, 57.20.
 Also Ran: Sam's Sister, Savings Account, Oscar Party, Honey Ride, Sky Mega, Harlington's Rose, Gas Total (Brz).

Tranquility Lake S. cont.

The 6 1/4-length winner of the Cal-bred restricted Dream of Summer S. at Santa Anita Mar. 22, Wind in the Saddle was an even sixth in the grassy May 23 Fran's Valentine S. in Arcadia and was last seen finishing a distant fourth of six behind recent GI TVG Pacific Classic winner Beholder (Henny Hughes) in the GIII Adoration S. June 13. Settled between rivals in the second flight of horses and just behind the early pace, Wild in the Saddle was a clear third as they raced into the far turn. Busily ridden by Mario Gutierrez, she was switched out three wide into the lane, took aim on the rail-skimming My Money with a sixteenth of a mile to the wire and inched past that one late for the upset. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

4th-DMR, \$71,000, (S), Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:12.12, ft.

+ **HALO DARLIN (f, 2, Lucky Pulpit--Lady Railrider {MSW, \$603,041}, by Ride the Rails)** entered her first afternoon appearance with a steady, but decidedly slow worktab, and was dismissed at 11-1. Well off the inside down the backstretch, the homebred moved up from midpack and spun some five or six wide at the head of the lane. She hit the front in the final sixteenth, and kicked away impressively to earn her diploma by five lengths. Top Notch (Old Topper) completed the exacta. The winner's dam, herself a debut winner and Williams homebred, produced an Unusual Heat filly in 2014 and another daughter of Lucky Pulpit earlier this year. She was bred back to Unusual Heat. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$42,000. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams; B-Larry D. Williams (CA); T-Mike Puype.

2nd-DMR, \$70,750, (S), Msw, 9-2, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11.50, ft.

FORTHENINETEEN (f, 2, Lucky J. H.--Sea Tempest, by Storm Cat) did little running as the 9-5 favorite here Aug. 15, but was the public's pick again at 3-2 while adding blinkers. Tugging her way into fifth early while kept off the rail, she unleashed a five-wide bid hitting the quarter pole and wore down a pair of rivals to don cap and gown by a neck over Hurricane Callie (Comic Strip). Sales history: \$5,500 Ylg '14 BARJAN. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$42,250. [Click for the Equibase.com chart](#) or [VIDEO, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton](#).

O-Pristinus Stables; B-Harris Farms (CA); T-Ben D. A. Cecil.

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INDUSTRY INFO

Team Pharoah to Feature at NTWAB Awards:

The National Turf Writers and Broadcasters will honor Team American Pharoah and others at the organization's 56th annual awards ceremony at the Griffin Gate Marriott in Lexington Wednesday, Oct. 28. Also to be honored are Eclipse Award winners Tom Hammond and Sports Illustrated's Tim Layden, Cathy Schenck of the Keeneland Library, and turf writer Bill Mooney. Tom Leach, the voice of the University of Kentucky, will emcee the event.

"On behalf of myself, my family, the Baffert barn and all those connected with American Pharoah, we are honored and humbled to receive this prestigious award," owner Ahmed Zayat said. "As the owner and breeder of the winner of the Triple Crown, I feel a huge sense of responsibility that you can be the face of the sport. It's actually not about the Zayats, not about the Bafferts. It's about American Pharoah and the spirit of American Pharoah."

Hammond will receive the third annual Jim McKay Award for broadcasting excellence, while Layden earned the Walter Haight Award for career turf writing excellence. Schenck will be presented with the Joe Palmer Award for long and meritorious service to racing, and Mooney, who penned a heartfelt letter to his colleagues after being diagnosed with cancer, will receive the inaugural Bill Mooney Award for displaying courage in the face of tremendous adversity.

Tickets for the event are \$75 for NTWAB members and \$100 for non-members and guests. The Awards Dinner represents the NTWAB's only fundraiser, and a portion of the proceeds from the event are used toward scholarship of prospective Thoroughbred racing journalists and to support Thoroughbred industry charities.

ROOKIES

First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, September 3

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2012 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
UNCLE MO (Indian Charlie), Ashford Stud, \$35K, 165/7/2
 4-SAR, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Thrilled, 3-1

First/second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, September 3

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2011 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
HOLD ME BACK (Giant's Causeway), WinStar, \$6K, 154/39/2
 6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Voluntario, \$32K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
SIYOUNI (FR) (Pivotal {GB}), Haras De Bonneval, \$7K, 149/37/5
 6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Handsome Hank (FR), \$80K ARA U2 yrl, 20-1
TEMPLE CITY (Dynaformer), Spendthrift Farm, \$5K, 163/33/5
 6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Eyeing Victory, \$50K FTK OCT yrl, 10-1
THORN SONG (Unbridled's Song), Harris Farms, \$3K, 69/5/0
 4-DMR, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Arms War, 6-1

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

OLG HALTON S. PRESENTED BY TIPPERARY EQUESTRIAN S., C\$125,800, WO, 9-2, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34.57, fm.

1--**HAMPSTEAD HEATH**, 117, g, 6, **Macho Uno--Love Kiss (SW & GSP, \$217,578)**, by **Gone West**. (C\$30,000 Ylg '10 CANSEP). O-Joey Gee Thoroughbreds; B-Richard L. Lister (ON); T-Pat Parente; J-David Moran. C\$75,000. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 23-6-4-4, \$496,649.

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2--**Star Contender**, 118, h, 5, Henny Hughes--Sanibel Star, by Unbridled's Song. (C\$80,000 Ylg '11 CANSEP). O-John C. Oxley; B-William D. Graham (ON); T-Mark E. Casse. C\$25,000.

Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad
 Sold by Beth Hancock, Agent

3--**Ultimate Destiny**, 118, g, 6, Dance to Destiny--One On Tap, by Pleasant Tap. (C\$16,000 Ylg '10 CANSEP). O-Alec Fehr; B-Minshall Farms (ON); T-Alec Fehr. C\$12,500.

Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad

Margins: 3/4, 1 3/4, HD. Odds: 6.45, 2.50, 15.45.
 Also Ran: Crushin Hard, O Wanderlust, Asserting Bear, The Great Gizmo, Uncatchable Fire, Spin the King, Courtville. Scratched: Entwistle.

OLG ELGIN S. PRESENTED BY BEAR STABLES S., C\$125,000, WO, 9-2, 3yo/up, c/g, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:43.25, ft.

1--**MELMICH**, 121, g, 4, **Wilko--Little Swoon**, by **You and I**. (C\$4,000 Ylg '12 CANSEP). O-Stephen Chesney & Cory S Hoffman; B-Andrew Stronach (ON); T-Kevin Attard; J-Eurico Rosa Da Silva. C\$78,750. Lifetime Record: 17-7-5-1, \$233,311.

Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad

2--**Pender Harbour**, 124, g, 7, Philanthropist--Uproar, by Hail the Ruckus. (C\$17,000 Ylg '09 CANSEP). O-Dennis Andrews, Sandra Lazaruk & Rob and Roberta Giffin; B-Gardiner Farms Limited (ON); T-Michael P. De Paulo. C\$25,000.

Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad

3--**Millioninthemaking**, 118, g, 5, Saffir--Pretoria, by Great Gladiator. (C\$32,000 Ylg '11 CANSEP). O-Wolsley Finch; B-Spring Farm (ON); T-Abraham R Katryan. C\$13,750.

Registered Ontario-Bred/CTHS Grad

Margins: 2, 12 3/4, 12 3/4. Odds: 1.25, 0.70, 10.15.
 Also Ran: Urban Forester. Scratched: Asserting Bear, Ultimate Destiny, The Great Gizmo.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-SAR, \$78,000, (S), (NW2\$X)/Opt. Clm (\$40,000), 9-2, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23.11, ft.

ESCAPE TO THE MOON (g, 5, [Malibu Moon](#)--Towering Escape {MSP, \$184,225}, by [Giant's Causeway](#))

Lifetime Record: 15-3-5-1, \$194,153. O/B-Albert Fried Jr (NY); T-Bruce R. Brown.

7th-DMR, \$73,000, (S), Opt. Clm (\$20,000), 9-2, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.09, fm.

FREDDIES DREAM (g, 4, [Good Journey](#)--Cahill Royalty, by [Cahill Road](#)) Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-0, \$84,110.

O/B-Fred A & Carolyn I Krinkie (CA); T-Mike Puype.

1st-WO, C\$55,300, (S), 9-2, (NW2L), 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:23.03, fm.

SWEET SUPER SIX (f, 3, [Philanthropist](#)--Sweet and

Clever, by [Mr. Greeley](#)) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-2, \$93,383. O-Super Six Stable; B-Denny Andrew (ON); T-Michael P. De Paulo.

8th-DEL, \$36,125, (NW2X)/Opt. Clm (\$25,000), 9-2, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m 70y, 1:43.15, ft.

TITANIUM JO (f, 3, [Bernstein-Kings Lynn](#) {GSP, \$140,714}, by [Mt. Livermore](#)) Lifetime Record:

14-3-0-1, \$88,830. O-Kenwood Racing LLC; B-Paul F. Gardner (KY); T-Stephen L. DiMauro. *\$47,000 RNA Ylg '13 KEESEP; \$77,000 2yo '14 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Sara Louise (Malibu Moon), MGSW, \$400,435; Just Louise (Five Star Day), GSW.

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5th-PEN, \$33,040, 9-2, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m 70y, 1:41.60, ft.

GUNS OF STEEL (g, 3, [First Defence](#)--Grand Angel, by [Grand Slam](#)) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-3, \$90,438.

O-Darryl Lee Myers; B-Heart Hill Farms LLC (PA); T-T Bernard Houghton. *\$30,000 Ylg '13 EASSEP.

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5th-PID, \$30,690, (S), 9-2, (NW1X), 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:39.19, ft.

FORT COLLINS (g, 5, [Not For Love](#)--Fostoria, by [Tiznow](#)) Lifetime Record: 15-2-4-2, \$80,281. O-KMSN Stable; B-Spirit Lake Enterprises (PA); T-Jonathan E. Sheppard.

7th-TDN, \$30,000, 9-2, (NW2L), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05.44, ft.

HELLUVA NOTION (f, 3, [Notional](#)--Plunderthepeasants {MSP, \$107,206}, by [Petionville](#)) Lifetime Record:

9-2-1-4, \$45,965. O-Marion F. Gorham; B-Hardwood Horses L.C. (KY); T-Robert M. Gorham.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **New Windsor, g, 2, [Windsor Castle](#)--Officer Cat, by [Officer](#). CT, 9-2, (S), 4 1/2f, :53.02. B-Bradley Ceamon Merrell & Connie Ann Merrell (WV).**

Wild Woo Who, c, 3, [Offlee Wild](#)--Cindy Woo Who, by [Thunder Gulch](#). DEL, 9-2, 5fT, :57.79. B-Thomas L Croley (FL). *1/2 to [Thunder Brew](#) (Milwaukee Brew), MSW, \$267,354; [I'm Steppin' It Up](#) (Congrats), MSW & GISP, \$600,734; [Cuppy Cake](#) (Olmodavor), SW, \$158,710.

Arietta, f, 3, [Raffie's Majesty](#)--Musical (GSP, \$121,700), by [El Gran Senor](#). SAR, 9-2, (S), (C), 5 1/2fT, 1:02.95. B-Song Hill Thoroughbreds LLC (NY). *Full to [Orino](#), SP, \$272,789.

Little Vany, f, 3, [Spanish Steps](#)--Vany's Image, by [Halo's Image](#). IND, 9-2, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:48.57. B-Samuel & William Martin GST (IN).

Moon Ridge, m, 5, [Cherokee's Boy](#)--Val de Mar, by [Skip Away](#). PEN, 9-2, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:44.52. B-Elizabeth R. Houghton (PA).

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Ashbridge Lad Tops DBS Sale:

Day one of Doncaster's September Sale, which kicked off on Wednesday, was devoted mostly to flat horses in training and although it took a while for trade to warm up, when it did there was no shortage of activity. Stroud Coleman Bloodstock picked up lot [133](#), the Brian Meehan-trained dual winner **Ashridge Lad (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) for £78,000, the day's top price. This figure was almost matched when Jassim Al Ghazali struck for lot [190](#), a 2-year-old called **Spongy (Ire)** (Zoffany {Ire}) for £75,000. The 85-rated colt has shown smart form for trainer Richard Hannon. A total of 139 head sold for gross receipts of £1,278,400, good for an average of £9,197. The median was £4,500, with a 21% RNA rate. The sale continues today when the focus is primarily national hunt horses. Visit goffsdbs.com for more information.

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Wednesday's Result:

COOLMORE STUD BADEN-BADEN CUP-Listed, €25,000, BDB, 9-2, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:25.47, gd.

1--**PEACE SOCIETY, 127, f, 3, [Iffraaj \(GB\)](#)--Peace Royale (Ger), by [Sholokhov \(Ire\)](#). O/B-Dr Christoph Berglar (KY); T-Andreas Wohler; J-Eduardo Pedroza. €14,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, €29,600.**

2--**Sognando La Cometa (Ire), 128, f, 4, [Clodovil \(Ire\)](#)--Shamaness, by [Darshaan \(GB\)](#). (8,500gns Ylg '12 TAOCT). O-Scuderia Cavalli da Corsa Giannotti. €6,500.**

3--**Schutzenpost (Ger), 127, f, 3, [American Post \(GB\)](#)--Schutzenprinzess (Ger), by [Dashing Blade \(GB\)](#). O-Walter Busch. €3,000.**

Margins: SHD, 1HF, HD. Odds: 7.30, 23.40, 1.70.

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Wednesday's Results:

2nd-LCR, €18,000, Mdn, 9-2, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:10.20, vs.

+JIMMY TWO TIMES (FR) (c, 2, Kendargent {Fr}--Steel Woman {Ire}, by Anabaa), sent off the 6-4 favorite, was outpaced early with two behind. Staying on strongly under hand riding to gain the lead with 100 meters remaining, the \$108,800 AROCT yearling registered an ultimately cozy 1 1/2-length verdict over Wonnemond (Ger) (Areion {Ger}). Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €9,000. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-SCEA Haras de Saint Pair; B-F Teboul & J Boniche (FR); T-Andre Fabre.

3rd-LCR, €16,000, Mdn, 9-2, 3yo, 9f, 2:00.60, vs. AL RADD (IRE) (f, 3, Iffraaj {GB}--Excellent Girl {GB} {GSP-Fr}, by Exceed and Excel {Aus}), who was fourth on debut over a mile at Longchamp May 27, was settled in mid-division early before being stoked up on the home bend. Brought with a withering run down the outer, the 2-1 pick gained the lead in the final yards en route to a neck success from Mer et Jardin (GB) (Lord Shanakill). Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €10,500. [Video, sponsored by Fasig-Tipton.](#)

O-Al Shaqab Racing; B-Aleyrion Bloodstock Ltd (IRE); T-Mikel Delzangles.



Wednesday's Results:

3rd-GOW, €17,000, Mdn, 9-2, 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:28.65, gd.

REDDOT ROMAN (IRE) (c, 2, Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}--Zoumie {Ire}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire}), a debut runner-up to subsequent Listed Flame of Tara S. fourth Last Waltz (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) at Roscommon last time Aug. 17, was well away from the outside gate to track the leaders in a handy sixth after the initial exchanges of this one. Nudged closer on the home turn, the 11-4 chalk bore down on the lead approaching the final eighth and was ridden out in the latter stages to assert by a half length from Sevenleft (Ire) (Manduro {Ger}). Sales history: €26,000 Wlg '13 GOFNOV; €50,000 Ylg '14 GOFORB. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$17,493. O-Tay Hu Chor; B-Dr Tom Purcell (IRE); T-Michael Halford.

Select Entries for Goffs Champions Sale:

Goffs have released an initial catalogue of nine horses for their Champions Sale held in the paddock at Leopardstown Racecourse Sept 12. The sale, which commences at 1:30 p.m. precedes a top class day of racing featuring the G1 Irish Champion S. One of the select entries set to go under the hammer is recent G3 Prix du Calvados winner **Great Page (Ire)** (Roderic O'Connor {Ire}). The 2-year-old filly is listed as lot 4 and being a dual stakes winner she should show a good return on her €35,000 yearling price-tag for owners Middleham Park Racing. Jim Bolger offers lot 8 **Steip Amach (Ire)** (Vocalised) and this Group 3 winner is a half-sister to Glen Hill Farm & Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holding's stakes winner Ceisteach (Ire) (New Approach {Ire}). Steip Amach recently finished a close fourth to Tested (GB) (Selkirk) in the G3 Fairy Bridge S. at Tipperary Aug 27. Lot 9 **Time To Inspire (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), offered from Dermot Weld's Rosewell House on behalf of Moyglare Stud will surely generate interest from southern hemisphere buyers seeking a potential 'cup horse'. This unexposed 3-year-old was a wide margin winner of an eleven furlong maiden at Galway on his third and final start. The full catalogue can be viewed [online](#) and Goffs will also be accepting wildcard entries up until the day of the sale.

OBSERVATIONS
on today's European racing scene

12.15 Longchamp, Debutantes, €25,000, 2yo, f, 8fT HIGH QUALITY (IRE) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) debuts for the Werheimers-Andre Fabre connection and is a half-sister to the operation's 2015 sensation Solow (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}). She encounters two others with top-level links in their immediate families in His Highness The Aga Khan's **Rosvana (Fr) (Dansili {GB})**, an Alain de Royer-Dupre-trained daughter of the 2009 G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner Rosanara (Fr) (Sinndar {Ire}) and Rashit Shaykhtudoniv's **Dynadin (GB) (Giant's Causeway)**, another Fabre trainee whose dam is the 2008 G1 Flower Bowl Invitational and 2009 G1 Beverly D. heroine Dynaforce (Dynaformer).

3.0 Haydock, Mdn, £5,000, 2yo, c/g, 8fT TAUTOLOGY (GB) (Dubawi {Ire}) debuts for Godolphin and Charlie Appleby and is a full-brother to the operation's triple Group 1 scorer Hunter's Light (Ire), last seen winning the G1 Jebel Hatta in March. He meets Elaine Burke's fellow newcomer **Tap the Honey (GB) (Fastnet Rock {Aus})**, a half-brother to the 2010 G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere-winning sire Wootton Bassett (GB) (Iffraaj {GB}) trained by her husband Karl.

4.05 Haydock, Cond, £17,500, 3yo/up, 7fT RICHARD PANKHURST (GB) (Raven's Pass) may get the chance to stage a belated seasonal comeback after being scratched from a tough assignment in Newbury's G2 Hungerford S. when the rain came last month. Not been seen since winning the Listed Chesham S. over this trip at Royal Ascot last June, Godolphin's John Gosden-trained acquisition meets another who caused a stir at two in Ibrahim Araci's G3 Solaria S. winner **Aktabantay (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB})**. He is on a retrieval mission for the Hugo Palmer stable after five subsequent off-the-board efforts.



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Willytheconqueror (Ire), c, 2, **Kodiac (GB)**--Jazzie (Fr), by Zilzal. BAT, 9-2, 5f 161yT, 1:12.75. B-Old Carhue & Graeng Bloodstock (IRE). *45,000gns RNA Wlg '13 TATFOA; 48,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT. **1/2 to Bold Thady Quill (Ire) (Tale of the Cat), SW-Ire, \$304,811.

Marshal Dan Troop (Ire), c, 2, **Lawman (Fr)**--Corrozal (Ger), by Cape Cross (Ire). LIN, 9-2, 6fT, 1:18.76. B-CBS Bloodstock & John O'Connor (IRE). *35,000gns Ylg '14 TAOCT.

Giveaway Glance (GB), f, 2, **Passing Glance (GB)**--Giving (GB), by Generous (Ire). LIN, 9-2, 7fT, 1:33.64. B-Pitchall Stud (GB).

Black Night (Ire), c, 3, **Excellent Art (GB)**--Starfish (Ire), by Galileo (Ire). LIN, 9-2, 12fT, 2:35.61. B-Manister House Stud (IRE). *€120,000 Ylg '13 GOFORB. **1/2 to La Collina (Ire) (Strategic Prince {GB}), MG1SW-Ire, \$433,075.

+ **Granny May (Ire)**, f, 3, **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**--Pure Jazz (Ire), by Marju (Ire). GOW, 9-2, 7fT, 1:29.26. B-Kilnamoragh Stud (IRE). *€9,500 RNA Wlg '12 GOFNOV; 20,000gns RNA Ylg '13 TAOCT.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Sept. 5	GI Del Mar Debutante S.	DMR
	GI Woodward S.	SAR
	GI Spinaway S.	SAR
	GIII Glen Falls H.	SAR
	GIII Saranac S.	SAR
Sept. 6	GIII Boiling Springs S.	MTH
	GII Prioress S.	SAR
	GII Del Mar Derby	DMR
Sept. 7	GII Yellow Ribbon H.	DMR
	GI Del Mar Futurity S.	DMR
Sept. 12	GI Hopeful S.	SAR
	GII Bernard Baruch H.	SAR
	GII Presque Isle Downs Masters S.	PID
	GIII Greenwood Cup	PRX
	GIII Turf Monster H.	PRX
Sept. 13	GII Sands Point S.	BEL
	GII Pocahontas S.	CD
	GII Iroquois S.	CD
	GII Super Derby	LAD
	GII Natalma S.	WO
	GII Summer S.	WO
	GIII Kentucky Turf Cup	KYD
GI Woodbine Mile	WO	
Sept. 13	GI Northern Dancer Turf S.	WO
	GII Canadian S.	WO
	GIII Bold Venture S.	WO
	GIII British Columbia Derby	HST



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