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GRADE 1 WINNER EARLY PIONEER DIES AT OLD FRIENDS Early Pioneer won the 2000 Hollywood Gold Cup.

OAKLAWN CONTINUES LASIX-FREE RACE PROGRAM

By Robert Yates

Known for doing things his way, a buttoned-up Charles Cella once had some of his philosophical ideas about racing printed on cocktail napkins for his VIP room at Oaklawn Park, the Hot Springs, Ark., venue he owned from 1968 until his death Dec. 6 from complications of Parkinson's disease.

Stacked over six abbreviated lines, the red-etched lettering on the white napkins read: "No Medication, No Rain, No Gimmicks, Only CLASSIX, And, Instant Racing."

Naturally, "No Medication" received top billing.

Cella was more acclaimed as a racetrack executive, but he was a successful Thoroughbred owner, campaigning, among others, 1995 male turf champion Northern Spur and 2013 Oaklawn Handicap winner Cyber Secret.

Cella was always a hay, oats, and water guy, too. A point reinforced in September of 2014 when he announced Oaklawn would become the country's first track to offer a purse incentive for horses that ran and won without Lasix during the 2015 meeting.

The "Lasix-free Bonus Program" offered a 10% hike to the winner's share of the purse for horses that won without the anti-bleeder medication, which wasn't legalized at Oaklawn until the late 1980s.

"This was Charles Cella's idea," Oaklawn racing director David Longinotti said. "This was during a time when there was a lot of publicity, a lot of talk in



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the industry, about some tracks were going to try to write races specifically for non-Lasix users and putting a bigger purse on them. There were a lot of different things being discussed."

In a news release announcing the bonus, Cella called Oaklawn's program "experimental" and said he hoped it would inspire more owners and trainers to race their horses without Lasix. The vast majority of horses run on the diuretic, also known as furosemide.

The program's end results were consistent at the last three meetings. According to the Jockey Club Information Systems, there were 14,336 starters in 1,509 races at Oaklawn in 2015-17 (52, 55, and 57 race dates, respectively). Of those, 138 horses ran Lasix-free in 2015, 82 in 2016, and 64 in 2017. Oaklawn had five Lasix-free winners in 2015, four in 2016, and five last year, based on data provided by the track.

"It hasn't moved the needle," Longinotti said of the bonus, adding Oaklawn didn't know what to expect when it was introduced.

The 14 Lasix-free winners have totaled \$30,900 in bonuses to date,

funds that come from the track and not its purse account.

Based on the 2018 opening-day purse structure, the bonus will range from \$1,200 for Oaklawn's minimum purse of \$20,000 to \$60,000 for the \$1 million Arkansas Derby (G1) on closing day, April 14.

Lasix Free Racing
at Oaklawn Park by Year

Year	Number of Starters	Number of Lasix-Free Starters/Winners
2015	4,467	138/5
2016	4,876	82/4
2017	4,993	64/5

Trainer Will VanMeter had three Lasix-free winners at the 2017 Oaklawn meeting, including two with Dutch Parrot, who is campaigned by Arkansas lumberman John Ed Anthony's Shortleaf Stable.

VanMeter, 34, a former assistant to Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas and the son of prominent Kentucky sales consignor and equine veterinarian Tom VanMeter, saddled his first career winner at the 2014 Oaklawn meeting.

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OAKLAWN CONTINUES LASIX-FREE RACE PROGRAM

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"I think all the horses—we hope that they will never need Lasix," said Will VanMeter, who has 15 horses at Oaklawn. "Probably, you'll see most of our horses, most of our 2-year-olds at least, make their first couple of starts without it. The majority of my horses—probably 80% of my stable—is for John Ed and what we think about how you should develop a horse, as far as the medications, is pretty much in line with each other."

Anthony, who campaigned Eclipse Award winners Temperence Hill, Vanlandingham in the 1980s, and Prairie Bayou in the early 1990s, has been a longtime hay, oats, and water advocate and had another Lasix-free winner at the 2015 Oaklawn meeting in Pangburn, then with trainer Kenny McPeck.

Dutch Parrot and Pangburn—both lightly raced 3-year-old fillies at the time—were the only horses in the field that didn't run on Lasix in their bonus victories.

Anthony has collected almost half the bonus money awarded to date (\$13,110), including a record \$4,980 for Dutch Parrot's victory in an Arkansas-bred allowance race last March. The race's original purse was \$83,000, with \$49,800 going to the winner. Anthony also has horses with trainer Brad Cox.

"As far as the bonus program at Oaklawn, it's not a significant factor in our program, although it's certainly beneficial and appreciated," Anthony said. "I encourage it be continued, but apparently too few people are inspired to want to pursue that, and I think that's unfortunate."

Other trainers with Lasix-free winners since Oaklawn introduced the program are Gary "Red Dog" Hartlage (three), Kelly Von Hemel (two), McPeck, Michael Campbell, Al Stall, Chris Rowland, Ray Shumake, and Hall of Famer Steve Asmussen with one each.

"Obviously, there's trainers that are a lot more accomplished than me, and know a lot more about horses, that want to run everything on Lasix," VanMeter said. "I think that they should be allowed to do that. That's one of the aspects that I like about the game." **BH**

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CHAMPION DREAMING OF ANNA DIES AT 14

By Erin Shea

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Dreaming of Anna, the 2006 champion 2-year-old filly, died of a ruptured aorta Jan. 9 at Woodspring Farm near Versailles, Ky., Dr. Gary Priest confirmed Jan. 15. The daughter of Rahy was 14.

Racing for her breeder Frank Calabrese, Dreaming of Anna notched 10 wins from 17 career starts and earned more than \$2 million racing from ages 2 to 4. The Wayne Catalano trainee won nine stakes races, including six graded stakes. In her championship year, she won the Summer Stakes (G3T) at Woodbine before posting a 1 1/2-length win in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (G1) at Churchill Downs.

"She was my first Breeders' Cup winner and she was very special to us and the family," Catalano said. "We won the Breeders' Cup on Mr. Calabrese's birthday. She was a very nice filly, she was special.

"That was a beautiful thing," the trainer recalled of

the Breeders' Cup. "The way it all went down, it was very, very special. She was mainly a grass filly and we had one shot to win the race, and it happened that it was on the dirt—they didn't have a grass race for 2-year-old fillies so we were forced to run in the dirt.

"We were very fond of the filly. She brought joy to the whole family."

Out of the graded stakes-placed Broad Brush mare Justenuffheart, Dreaming of Anna is a full sister to multiple graded stakes winner and sire Lewis Michael, and she is a half sister to multiple grade 2 winner and sire Justenuffhumor. She also hails from the female family of champion grass horse and leading turf sire Kitten's Joy.

As a broodmare, Dreaming of Anna produced three stakes performers and her legacy looks to continue. Her stakes-placed daughter All Her Class produced grade 1-placed With Honors, who is in foal to Medaglia d'Oro. Her grade 3-winning daughter Dreamologist is in foal to War Front, while her grade 1-placed son Fast Anna currently stands at Three Chimneys Farm. Dreaming of Anna's last foal is a yearling colt by Declaration of War. **BH**

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TONY LEONARD

Dreaming of Anna wins the 2006 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies

THE RISE OF CANDY RIDE

By Eric Mitchell

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Had it not been for Arrogate, Lane's End's Candy Ride would have been lauded as the leading North American sire for 2017.

The 19-year-old Argentine-bred son of Ride the Rails finished the year with seven graded stakes winners and \$15,432,953 in progeny earnings. His top performer for the year was leading Horse of the Year candidate Gun Runner, who earned an impressive \$6,950,700 in purses.

No one, however, could overcome the \$13 million head start that Arrogate gave his sire, the late Unbridled's Song, in the first half of the racing season when he won the world's richest races: the inaugural \$12 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational (G1) and the \$10 million Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airline (G1).



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Candy Ride at Lane's End

Candy Ride has been a steady presence in the upper ranks of North America's leading sires for several years. He first broke into the top five on

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Shakin It Up shown winning the Grade 1 Malibu Stakes in 1:20 2/5

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BloodHorse.com's general leading sire list in 2014, when his progeny earned more than \$10 million for the first time in a single season and put Candy Ride fifth among the leaders. The sire's annual progeny earnings have not fallen below \$10 million since then.

An undefeated, three-time grade 1 winner campaigned at 4 in the United States by Sid and Jenny Craig in 2003, Candy Ride entered stud at John Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale Farms and achieved early success. He was the third-leading sire of his freshman sire class in 2008 by earnings and ranked fifth by earnings and fourth by black-type winners for both his second-crop and third-crop years.

In 2009, shareholders decided to relocate Candy Ride to Lane's End, where his stud fee doubled to \$25,000 for the 2010 breeding season. As it turned out, 2010 would be a breakout year for the sire who was represented by four grade 1 winners that season: El Brujo (Pat O'Brien Stakes), Misremembered (Santa Anita Handicap), Sidney's Candy (Santa Anita Derby), and Twirling Candy (Malibu Stakes).

Candy Ride was tied that year with Dynaformer and Giant's Causeway as the leading North American sire by number of grade/group 1 winners.

Gun Runner attracted the spotlight in 2017, but Candy Ride had 16 other black-type winners that included six other graded stakes winners. His other top performers of the year included grade 1 winners Ascend, Candy Sugar Lady, and Separation of powers, along with graded winners Crewman, Mastery, Paid Up Subscriber, and Unified.

Through Jan. 14, Candy Ride has sired 71 (6%) black-type winners, of which 31 have won graded/group stakes. His graded/group winners include 11 that won at the highest level.

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MORNING LINE

EMPIRE LINE

OFF AND RUNNING IN 2018

Jan 15: **EMPIRE LINE**, Damon Runyon S., undefeated in two starts

Jan 15: **MORNING HUNT**, MSW on debut by 5 ¾ lengths

Jan 15: **MORNING BREEZ**, 3rd Damon Runyon S., multiple stakes places

Jan 13: **SEVEN TRUMPETS**, 2nd Jerome S., \$205,000 2YO purchase

Jan 6: **MORNING DESTINY**, 2nd Glitter Woman S.

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THE RISE OF CANDY RIDE

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Once a sire starts regularly occupying the upper echelon of the rankings, his sons grow in appeal as stallion prospects. Ten sons of Candy Ride have published fees for the 2018 season, with five just entering stud. The following is a summary of those sire/sons starting with the new sires of 2018.

Gun Runner (out of Quiet Giant, by Giant's Causeway). Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm's star will contest the \$16 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1) Jan. 27 before heading to Three Chimneys, where he'll stand for \$70,000. The 5-year-old has nine graded stakes victories (five grade 1s) among his 11 lifetime wins to date. He has earned \$8,988,500 through Jan. 14. Gun Runner won four grade 1 races in 2017: the Stephen Foster Handicap, Whitney Stakes, Woodward Stakes Presented by NYRA Bets, and Breeders' Cup Classic.

Mastery (Steady Course, by Old Trieste). Raced by Cheyenne Stables, Mastery was stamped early as a 3-year-old to watch and then validated the perception with a 6 3/4-length romp in the San Felipe Stakes (G2). Sadly that impressive performance produced a condylar fracture that ended his racing career. The colt retired undefeated in four starts with earnings of \$511,200. He enters stud at Claiborne Farm for \$25,000.

Unified (Union City, by Dixie Union). Centennial Farms acquired Unified for \$325,000 at the 2014 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga select yearling sale out of the Lane's End consignment. He went on to win four times out of seven starts, with his best victories coming in the Peter Pan Stakes (G2), Bay Shore Stakes (G3), and the Gulfstream Park Sprint Stakes (G3). He also finished second in the Carter Handicap (G1). Unified will enter stud at Lane's End for \$10,000.

Eagle (Sea Gull, by Mineshaft). The William Farish homebred showed his mettle early by

placing in graded company at 2. He went on to be tested seven more times in graded stakes, coming away with a victory in the Ben Ali Stakes (G3) at Keeneland and finishing second in five others, including the grade 1 Stephen Foster Handicap. Eagle compiled a 7-7-2 record out of 24 starts and retired with \$754,186 in earnings. He enters stud at Valor Farm in North Texas for \$5,000.

Looking Cool (Coolwind, by Forest Wildcat). The Jim Tafel homebred had his best year at 3 when he won the Iowa Derby (G3) and finished second in the Northern Spur Stakes at Oaklawn Park. The colt has a 7-5-3 record out of 38 starts and earned \$441,918. He is the second foal out of stakes winner Coolwind and a half brother to stakes-placed winner No Sweat (Blame). Looking Cool enters stud this year at Indy Dancers Training Center near Mooresville, Ind., for \$1,000.

Clubhouse Ride (Seeking Results, by Seeking the Gold). Bred by Sid and Jenny Craig and raced by Six-S Racing Stable, Clubhouse Ride won the Californian Stakes and placed in the Santa Anita Handicap, Gold Cup at Santa Anita Stakes, and the CashCall Futurity (all G1). He compiled a 5-9-10 record out of the 43 starts and retired with \$1,341,132 in earnings. Clubhouse Ride entered stud at Harris Farms near Coalinga, Calif., where he stands for \$2,500. His first foals are 2-year-olds of 2018.

Kettle Corn (Somethingbeautiful, by Lil E. Tee). Bred by Jim Plemmons, Kettle Corn was later acquired by Lee and Susan Searing's CRK Stable that won or placed in 10 graded stakes with the colt. Kettle Corn won the San Diego Handicap (G2) and Native Diver Handicap (G3) and placed in three grade 1s, including the TVG Pacific Classic Stakes and twice in the Hollywood Gold Cup Handicap. Injury forced his retirement in 2013, and he entered stud at Fair Winds Farm near Waynesville, Ohio, where he stands this year for \$2,500. Kettle Corn's first foals turn 3 this year. His best performers to date are winners Silky Tassels and Kettle Chrome.

Misremembered (Beyond Perfection, by Quack). Bred by trainer Bob Baffert and raced by

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his wife, Jill, in partnership with George Jacobs, Misremembered won or placed in eight graded stakes, including a victory in the Santa Anita Handicap (G1). He retired with a 6-5-0 record out of 13 starts and earnings of \$1,306,709. Misremembered entered stud in 2011 in Kentucky and then relocated to California last year. This year he is standing at Barton Thoroughbreds for \$2,500. Misremembered has sired 37 winners to date, including Ax Man, who won by 9 1/2 lengths Jan. 1 at Santa Anita Park, in his first start. He also sired black-type winner Nightly News and grade 2-placed winner Dazzling Gem.

Twirling Candy (House of Danzing, by Chester House). The Craig Family Trust homebred distinguished himself at 3 by winning four of five starts, which included victories in the Malibu Stakes (G1) and the Del Mar Derby (G2). He added the Strub Stakes (G2) and Californian Stakes (G2) to his winning record and placed in the TVG Pacific Classic Stakes and Hollywood Gold Cup (both G1). As a sire, he is the second-leading third-crop sire of 2017 by earnings and has been represented by 11 black-type winners, including three graded winners—Finley'sluckycharm, Danzing Candy, and Morticia. Twirling Candy entered stud at Lane's End, where he is standing this year for \$25,000. Danzing Candy entered stud in 2018 at Rancho San Miguel in California for \$5,000.

Red Vine (Murky Waters, by Storm Creek). Jon and Sarah Kelly campaigned Red Vine from 3 to 6 with trainer Christophe Clemente. The colt shined brightest at 5 when he won the Majestic Light Stakes at Monmouth Park and placed in five other graded stakes, including the \$1 Million TVG Pacific Classic Stakes, Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile, and Cigar Mile Handicap (all G1). Red Vine stands at Xanthus Farms in Pennsylvania for \$3,500. His first foals are yearlings of 2018. **BH**

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COLLECTED BREEZES AT SANTA ANITA FOR PEGASUS

By BloodHorse Staff

Speedway Stable's Collected, preparing for a rematch with probable Horse of the Year Gun Runner in the 1 1/8-mile, \$16 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1), breezed seven furlongs at Santa Anita Park Jan. 15.

The Bob Baffert-trained 5-year-old was clocked in 1:24 1/5 under Mike Smith, who is slated to ride the son of City Zip in the world's richest race Jan. 27 at Gulfstream Park.

"He went very well," said Baffert, who also has West Coast ticketed for the Pegasus with Javier Castellano set to ride. "I'm really happy."



ZOE METZ

Collected works at Santa Anita Jan. 15, clocking seven furlongs in 1:24 1/5 with Mike Smith aboard

"Tremendous," said Smith, describing the work. "He went absolutely wonderful. He was nice and happy coming off (the track) and recovered real quick. All is well. We've just got to go out there and see if we can get the job done, good Lord willing. We'll see what happens."

Collected presented Gun Runner with a challenge in the 1 1/4-mile Nov. 4 Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) at Del Mar as he loomed boldly at the top of the stretch before settling for second, 2 1/4 lengths back.

Collected defeated Arrogate in the \$1 million TVG Pacific Classic Stakes (G1), his fourth straight win. He finished third in his last start, the Dec. 26 San Antonio Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita, won by Pegasus hopeful Giant Expectations. **BH**

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SPORTING CHANCE WORKS TOWARD SEASONAL DEBUT

By BloodHorse Staff

Grade 1 winner Sporting Chance took another step toward his 3-year-old debut, working a sharp half-mile Jan. 15 at Oaklawn Park for Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas in advance of a possible start in the \$500,000 Southwest Stakes (G3) Feb. 19.

Sporting Chance covered the distance in :47 3/5 under Hall of Fame jockey Gary Stevens, who breezed the 2017 Hopeful Stakes (G1) winner immediately after the renovation break. Clockers caught Sporting Chance's final quarter-mile in :23 and he galloped out to five furlongs in 1:00 2/5.

It was the second published work at Oaklawn for Robert Baker and William Mack's Sporting Chance, unraced since winning the \$350,000 Hopeful Sept. 4 at Saratoga Race Course. Lukas said the son of Tiznow had a small bone chip from a knee removed after the seven-furlong race.

A winner of 2 of 3 career starts, the colt returned to the work tab Jan. 9, breezing 3 furlongs in :37 flat.

Lukas said the Southwest and \$900,000 Rebel Stakes (G2) March 17 at Oaklawn remain potential landing spots for Sporting Chance, with the former being a more realistic target.

"He's an extremely talented horse," Lukas said Monday morning. "If he's fit, I think I can drop right in to the deep end of the pool and take on the seasoned horses because he's got a beautiful mind and he handles racing very well. Very easy horse to train.



Sporting Chance takes the Sept. 4 Hopeful Stakes at Saratoga

Normally you say, 'Boy, we need some experience.' But I'm not so sure I can't put a strong work into him and run him where I want to."

Lukas has more options with his 3-year-old Triple Crown hopefuls following Saturday's results at Oaklawn.

Lukas and Stevens teamed to win the fifth race with Calumet Farm homebred Bravazo, an Awesome Again colt who won a first-level allowance/optional claimer at a mile; and Transgress, an Into Mischief colt who broke his maiden sprinting (1:10.70 for six furlongs) in the ninth race.

Bravazo ran the mile over a fast track in 1:37.74, almost two seconds quicker than Higher Power needed to win the second division of the split race roughly an hour later.

"That was racehorse time," Lukas said. "It was what, two seconds or (10) lengths better than the other division, and there were some horses in the other division they liked."

Lukas said Bravazo has "probably earned his way" to a return to stakes company, but the race is unclear. Bravazo finished second in the \$500,000 Claiborne Breeders' Futurity (G1) Oct. 7 at Keeneland.

Baker and Mack's Transgress, who had some shin issues, was making his first start since finishing second in his June 15 career debut at Churchill Downs. The winner of that race, Free Drop Billy, later captured the Breeders' Futurity.

"He ran really well to come off the six-month layoff and run 1:10," Lukas said. "That's pretty impressive."

Lukas said he believes Transgress will have no trouble handling two turns, but plans are also unclear for his next start.

"We're going to have to juggle these horses," Lukas said. "We obviously don't want to double up on them if we can help it."

In addition to the Southwest, Lukas said the \$150,000 Robert B. Lewis Stakes (G3) Feb. 3 at Santa Anita Park, the \$250,000 Sam F. Davis Stakes (G3) Feb. 10 at Tampa Bay Downs, and the \$400,000 Risen Star Stakes (G2) Feb. 17 at Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots would be considered for Bravazo and Transgress.

"I'm going to treat them all like champions and let them disappoint me," Lukas said with a laugh. **BH**

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MADAME STRIPES SURGES TO MEGAHERTZ WIN

By Erin Shea

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A multiple graded-placed runner, Gainesway Stable's Madame Stripes finally earned her first graded victory Jan. 15 in the \$100,000 Megahertz Stakes (G3T) as she ran down rivals in the Santa Anita Park stretch.

In Monday's one-mile turf test for older fillies and mares, the Neil Drysdale-trained 6-year-old mare hopped at the start and raced along in fifth through the early stages of the race under jockey Kent Desormeaux, while Thundering Sky took the field of seven through fractions of :23.11 and :46.98 for a half-mile.

Madame Stripes moved forward between rivals and stayed near the rail through the turn while following leaders Thundering Sky and favored Insta Erma. In the stretch, she shifted out into the three path and powered past the leaders for the win.

"When she jumped (leaving the gate) like that, Kent was able to get her covered up and she relaxed," Drysdale said. "But when I saw (the time for the first

half-mile), I said 'Uh oh, uh oh!' The way it turned out, the favorite moved early and I was glad to see that. I think this mare is stronger this year. She's getting better."

Madame Stripes finished the distance over the firm turf in a final time of 1:34.24 and was 1 1/4 lengths clear of Insta Erma in second. Thundering Sky was another three-quarters of a length behind in third.

"Neil was very, very confident in her being ready for today's occasion," Desormeaux said. "He was mostly concerned with how fresh she was going to be. I rode her European style. I put a little steel in her mouth so she couldn't jump away from the gate. It worked out well because the rest of the race she was dragging me and she just loomed up to the leaders. Once she got trapped at the three-eighths pole, she just took that deep breath and presented. She just flew home. It was fun."

Laseen, Chocolate Coated, Lady Valeur, and Do the Dance completed the order of finish.

The winner returned \$9, \$4, and \$2.60 across the board.

Bred in Argentina by Gustavo Javier Alvarez, out of the Silver Finder mare Courtisane, Madame Stripes

was group 1-placed in her home country before arriving in the U.S. in late 2016.

In 2017 she ran second in the Wilshire Stakes (G3T) at Santa Anita and won the Osunitas Stakes at Del Mar in July, before finishing third in Santa Anita's John C. Mabee Stakes (G2T), and closing out her year with a third-place finish in the Bayakoa Stakes (G2) on the dirt at Los Alamitos Race Course. From 17 career starts, the mare has a record of 4-7-2 and earnings of \$313,218. **BH**

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BENJAMIN PHOTO

Madame Stripes and Kent Desormeaux win the Megahertz Stakes

MOURINHO BREAKS THROUGH IN SMARTY JONES STAKES

By Frank Angst

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After settling for second in a pair of stakes in Southern California to close out 2017, Mourinho found Oaklawn Park to his liking as he scored a clear victory in the \$150,000 Smarty Jones Stakes Jan. 15.

The victory by Mourinho adds to the Oaklawn success of his trainer Bob Baffert, who has now won half his 36 stakes starts at the Hot Springs, Ark., track. Mourinho completed the one-mile test in 1:37.25, the second-fastest time in the history of the stakes race that started in 2008. The 3 1/4-length win gave Baffert his first Smarty Jones score.

Phoenix Thoroughbred III's Mourinho broke well under Drayden Van Dyke to secure a clear lead through a quarter-mile in :23.33 and the 3-5 favorite maintained that edge, taking the field of five 3-year-olds through a half-mile in :48.09. In the turn, Mourinho added to his advantage, opening three lengths and then four, before second-choice Combatant launched his rally, which proved too late in the one-mile test that features a short stretch, ending at the 16th pole.

Winchell Thoroughbreds and Willis Horton Racing's Combatant finished second and was followed home by Tap Daddy, Bode's Maker, and Arched Feather.

The top four Smarty Jones finishers earned Road to the Kentucky Derby points (10-4-2-1), which are used to determine the Louisville classic's field if more than 20 horses are eligible.

Mourinho, a son of 2010 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) winner Super Saver, won his Sept. 30 maiden special weight debut at Santa Anita Park before finishing second there to Beautiful Shot in the six-furlong Speakeasy Stakes. He then finished second to Greyvitos at Del Mar in the seven-furlong



Mourinho captures the Smarty Jones Stakes in 1:37.25, the second-fastest time in the history of the race, which started in 2008

Bob Hope Stakes (G3). Monday's race marked the first two-turn start for Mourinho.

"We always hoped he'd pass the two turn test," Baffert said. "He broke well and was able to make the early lead. He looked like he had plenty left. We're very encouraged. We're excited. It's that time of year when you start to get excited. I don't know where we'll run him back. The Southwest (Stakes Feb. 19) may be a good spot. We'll get him back to California and see what happens."

The win was especially sweet for jockey Dryden Van Dyke, who grew up in Hot Springs and graduated from Lake Hamilton High School in 2012. This was his first win at Oaklawn. "It's extra special because it's my hometown," he said.

"He's a horse that we get to relax in the morning, so the blinkers, I think, helped keep him focused. Young horses like that need to stay focused. I think it benefited him.

"Bob (Baffert) said we're the fastest horse in the race, so to get the lead and go from there. That worked out well for us. Threw his ears up and just coasted home." **BH**

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CALIFORNIA CHROME FULL BROTHER SECOND IN DEBUT

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Faversham, a full brother to two-time Horse of the Year California Chrome, finished an encouraging second in his debut, a six-furlong maiden special weight at Santa Anita Park Jan. 15.

The second-place run added another item to the list of similarities between the Perry and Denise Martin-owned Faversham and his older brother, who also finished second in his debut in April of 2013 at Hollywood Park.

"You know, (Faversham) didn't have the speed to be a sprinter," said trainer Art Sherman, who also conditioned California Chrome. "And that's just like his brother, he ran second the first time I ran him. But you know, you stretch him out, he'll be running. I was really happy with the race.

"Of course, California Chrome developed into a big strong horse after his 3-year-old year, but (Faversham)

looks a lot like him in coloring and mannerisms. So we're looking forward to see him develop a lot stronger as the year goes by."

With jockey Stewart Elliot up in Monday's third race at Santa Anita, the 3-year-old ridgling son of the late Lucky Pulpit broke slow and raced last in eighth, four lengths behind the closest rival, through the first quarter-mile. Faversham then started to gain ground while traveling wide, and ran down pacesetter Fly First Class in the stretch to finish second to BG Stables' Violent Ridge.

The 3-year-old Violence gelding unleashed a four-wide move to take command in mid-stretch and win by 1 1/4 lengths. Fly First Class settled for third, a half-length back behind Faversham.

Sherman said he wants to stretch Faversham out in distance for his next race.

"He's probably going to run in a Cal-bred stake," the trainer said. "It'll be a little easier bunch to run against to give him a little more experience. He's going to go a mile next time."

Bred in California by Perry Martin and Steve

Coburn, who initially campaigned California Chrome, Faversham is out of the winning Not For Love mare Love the Chase who produced two other full siblings to California Chrome before the death of Lucky Pulpit in early 2017. Love the Chase sold for \$1.95 million at the 2016 Fasig-Tipton November sale to agent John McCormack. She also has a yearling colt by Tapit. **BH**

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BERNIE PHOTO

Faversham (yellow cap) closes from far back in the stretch to finish second to Violent Ridge at Santa Anita Park

JAPAN'S HORSE OF THE YEAR MAURICE HAS FIRST FOAL

The first reported foal by 2015 Japanese Horse of the Year Maurice arrived at Northern Farm Jan. 10, when 11-year-old Admire Temba delivered a grey filly.

The winner of six grade 1 stakes who was also named champion sprinter and miler of 2015, Maurice is owned by Kazumi Yoshida, the wife of Katsumi Yoshida of Northern Farm.



HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Maurice flies across the finish line to win the Hong Kong Cup in 2016

During his racing career Maurice was trained by Noriyuki Hori and retired with a record of 11-2-1 from 18 starts, which included three grade 1 stakes in Japan—the Tenno Sho Autumn, Yasuda Kinen, and Mile Championship. The son of Screen Hero also won three grade 1 stakes in Hong Kong—the Longines Hong Kong Cup, Longines Hong Kong Mile, and Champions Mile.

Beginning his stud duty at Shadai Stallion Station in 2017 for a fee of ¥4 million (approximately US\$35,000), he covered 265 mares. He shuttled to Arrow Field Stud in Australia for the Southern Hemisphere breeding season for a fee of AU\$33,000 (about \$26,000).

Admire Temba (by Kurofune), is a winner of four Japan Racing Association races out of Admire Groove, who won the Queen Elizabeth Commemorative Cup (G1) twice and was named Japan's 2004 champion older female. Admire Tamba is a half sister to 2015 dual classic winner Duramente (King Kamehameha), who stood at Shadai in 2017 as well.

The foal produced from the Maurice—Admire Temba mating creates a 3×4 cross of Sunday Silence. **BH**

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RACING COMMENTARY

with Bob Barry

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Bob Barry

I grew up amid the turmoil of the Nixon administration. We wore our hearts on our sleeves, our messages on buttons pinned to our shirts, and our politics in our hairstyles.

It also was a time of emerging distrust in institutions such as the federal government and its natural adversary, the free press, as evidenced today by "The Post," Steven Spielberg's latest cinematic take on history.

Yet even though battle lines were clearly drawn, there remained a certain playfulness across the political spectrum, such as in presidential speechwriter William Safire's classic line about "nattering nabobs of negativism" in the media. It seems miles away from today's tribal bickering, which has eclipsed what once passed for rational discourse.

But today's column is concerned not with political division per se, but plain old division. To quote an old Buffalo Springfield song, "There's something happening here" in 2018. "What it is ain't exactly clear," but it just might have a positive impact on the future of racing.

You might call one side "takeout hawks," a group from the horseplayer community long accused of "negativity" for pointing out that years of stagnant handle indicate a pari-mutuel business model in need of repair. Across the aisle from these "hawks" are not "doves" but owners, trainers, and racetrack executives, who seem to believe that any breaks cut to horseplayers will inevitably be lifted from their own pocketbooks, never to be seen again.

This great divide helps explain racing's ossified status quo. But it also demonstrates why the recent change in the Internal Revenue Service's withholding policy is such a coup, and why it could help break the ice that has frozen any prospect for real growth in betting handle.



ANNE M. EBERHARDT

The genius in the National Thoroughbred Racing Association's accomplishment is that it keeps oodles of cash in the hands of horseplayers without filching a dime from purses. The change is widely expected to drive handle higher, and all without a single sacred cow being harmed in the process.

It might not be the grand experiment the "hawks" have long championed, but there's a pretty good test on the effects of lower takeout going on during the current Santa Anita Park meet.

Santa Anita now offers a "late" Pick 5 but, at the insistence of the California Horse Racing Board, the new bet has a 23.68% takeout, versus a 14% rake on the "early" Pick 5. Over the first three weeks of this experiment, handle on the early Pick 5 consistently doubled that of the late Pick 5.

Perhaps I'm being naive for thinking that positive impacts from the new withholding rules or pristine examples of lower takeout resulting in demonstrably higher handle will change anyone's mind. But remember that I'm an idealistic child of the '60s. And even a nattering nabob is entitled to some occasional great expectations. **BH**

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RACE RESULTS

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STAKES RESULTS

Megahertz S. (G3T)

Santa Anita Park, 1/15, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 8f (turf), 1:34.24, course firm.

1—**Madame Stripes** (ARG), 122, b m, 6. \$60,000
Equal Stripes (ARG)—Courtisane (ARG), by Silver Finder
O—Gainesway Stable, B—Alvarez, Gustavo Javier (ARG), T—Neil D. Drysdale, J—Kent J. Desormeaux

2—**Insta Erma**, 122, b m, 5. \$20,000
Pioneerof the Nile—Enchanted Woods, by Woodman
O—Medallion Racing, Premier Racing Club et al., B—Zayat Stables, LLC (KY), T—Richard Baltas, J—Corey S. Nakatani

Sale History: 2017 FTKHRA, \$290,000.

3—**Thundering Sky**, 122, dk b/br m, 5. \$12,000
Sky Mesa—Uninhibited Song, by Unbridled's Song
O—Matthew Schera, B—Almar Farm, LLC (KY), T—George Weaver, J—Flavien Prat
Sale History: 2014 FTSAUG, \$145,000.

Margins: 1¼, ¾, head. **Others:** Laseen (IRE) (\$6,000), Chocolate Coated (\$2,000), Lady Valeur (IRE) (\$345), Do the Dance (\$345). **Scratched:** Bombilate. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Smarty Jones S.

Oaklawn Park, 1/15, \$150,000, 3yo, 8f (dirt), 1:37.25, track fast.

1—**Mourinho**, 115, b c, 3. \$90,000
Super Saver—Sandi's Ready, by **More Than Ready**
O—Phoenix Thoroughbred III, B—WinStar Farm, LLC (KY), T—Bob Baffert, J—Drayden Van Dyke
Sale History: 2017 OBSMAR, \$625,000, 2016 KEESEP, \$30,000.

2—**Combatant**, 115, b c, 3. \$30,000
Scat Daddy—Border Dispute, by Boundary
O—Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC and Willis Horton Racing LLC, B—Paget Bloodstock (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Ricardo Santana, Jr.
Sale History: 2016 KEESEP, \$320,000.

3—**Tap Daddy**, 117, dk b/br c, 3. \$15,000
Scat Daddy—Easy Tap, by **Tapit**
O—Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, B—Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Luis Contreras

Margins: ¾, 8, 4½. **Others:** Bode's Maker (\$7,500), Arched Feather (\$4,500). **Scratched:** Lone Rock, Navistar. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Damon Runyon S.

Aqueduct, 1/15, \$100,000, 3yo, 8f (dirt), 1:38.75, track fast.

1—**Empire Line**, 116, dk b/br c, 3. \$60,000
Morning Line—Homecoming Dance, by Vindication

O—West Point Thoroughbreds and RAP Racing, B—Fred W. Hertrich III & John D. Fielding (NY), T—George Weaver, J—Eric Cancel

Sale History: 2017 FTMMAY, \$180,000, 2016 FTNAUG, \$50,000.

2—**Evaluator**, 122, ch c, 3. \$20,000
Overanalyze—Show Me the Carats, by **More Than Ready**

O—R and H Stable, B—EKQ Stables Corp. (NY), T—Michael Dilger, J—Manuel Franco

Sale History: 2016 FTNAUG, \$30,000.

3—**Morning Breez**, 116, b c, 3. \$10,000
Morning Line—Tico Breeze, by Carson City
O—Caputo, John and Lady DelPo and The Boys Racing LLC, B—Hart Farm & Rhapsody Farm (NY), T—Carlos F. Martin, J—Christopher P. DeCarlo

Sale History: 2016 FTNAUG, \$65,000, 2015 FTNOCT, \$62,000.

Margins: nose, 4¾, 6¼. **Others:** Battle Station (\$5,000), Smooth Move (\$3,000), Seven Lilies (\$1,000), Jaye Jaye (\$1,000). [View Equibase Chart](#)

Interborough S.

Aqueduct, 1/15, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f (dirt), 1:23.30, track fast.

1—**Divine Miss Grey**, 119, ch f, 4. \$60,000
Divine Park—Seattle Grey, by Friends Lake
O—Corms Racing Stable, B—Brereton C.

Jones (KY), T—Danny Gargan, J—Kendrick Carmouche

Sale History: 2015 KEESEP, \$100,000.

2—**Boule**, 117, b f, 4. \$20,000
Exchange Rate—Routine, by **Empire Maker**
O—Juddmonte Farms, Inc., B—Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY), T—William I. Mott, J—Dylan Davis

3—**Going for Broke**, 116, b m, 5. \$10,000
Blame—Support the Cause, by Put It Back
O—Waterford Stable, B—Waterford Stables, Inc. (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Junior Alvarado

Margins: ¾, 1¼, 3. **Others:** Inconclusive (\$5,000), Lucy N Ethel (\$3,000), Kalabaka (\$400), Heavenly Score (\$400), Alpine Sky (\$400), Littlemissbusiness (\$400), Come Dancing (\$400). [View Equibase Chart](#)

ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Aqueduct, Race 7, AOC

1/15, \$59,000, 4yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:10.30, track fast.

1—**Saratoga Giro**, 121, dk b/br h, 5, **Girolamo**—White Slipers, by Silver Deputy, \$35,400, O—Steadman, Henry and Barrow, Paul, B—Mendean Jonath Inc. (NY), T—Paul W. Bar-

row, J—Jeremy Rose

Sale History: 2015 FTMMAY, \$27,000, 2014 OBSAUG, \$27,000.

Margin: ¾, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Fair Grounds, Race 4, AOC

1/15, \$42,000, 4yo/up, f/m, a8f (turf), 1:40.31, course firm.

1—**Dontmesswithjoanne**, 119, b f, 4, **Pioneerof the Nile**—Cinnamon Kisses, by **Doneraile Court**, \$25,200, O—Zayat Stables, LLC, B—Gulf Haven Farms, LLC (LA), T—Brad H. Cox, J—Florent Geroux

Sale History: 2015 OBSJAN, \$87,000.

Margin: 1½, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Gulfstream Park, Race 3, AOC

1/15, \$51,000, 3yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:10.81, track fast.

1—**Heavenasmynikki**, 118, ch f, 3, **Majestic Warrior**—Floral Park, by Forest Wildcat, \$26,400, O—Looch Racing Stables, Inc., B—Langsem Farm, Inc (OH), T—Anthony T. Quartarolo, J—Tyler Gaffalione

Sale History: 2016 FTKOCT, \$150,000.

Margin: head, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Gulfstream Park, Race 10, AOC

1/15, \$52,000, 4yo/up, 8.5f (turf), 1:42.16, course firm.

1—**Derby Champagne**, 121, b g, 5, **Pulpit**—Champagne Taste, by **Distorted Humor**, \$27,000, O—Preston Madden, B—Preston Madden (KY), T—George R. Arnold, II, J—Tyler Gaffalione

Margin: head, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Laurel Park, Race 8, ALW

1/15, \$42,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f (dirt), 1:24.30, track fast.

1—**Keep Your Distance**, 122, gr/ro f, 4, **Concord Point**—Ally's Little Sis, by Evansville Slew, \$23,940, O—James C. Wolf, B—Terry Bruner (KY), T—Kierion Magee, J—Jorge A. Vargas, Jr.

Margin: 1, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 7, AOC

1/15, \$76,000, 3yo, f, 8f (dirt), 1:39.51, track fast.

1—**Sassy Sienna**, 118, dk b/br f, 3, **Midshipman**—Tap for Gold, by Pleasant Tap, \$45,600, O—Zayat Stables, LLC, B—Haymarket Farm LLC (KY), T—Brad H. Cox, J—Gary L. Stevens

Sale History: 2016 KEESEP, \$65,000.

Margin: 9½, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 7, AOC

1/15, \$47,000, 4yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:10.29, track fast.

1—**Wabel**, 122, ch g, 6, **Curlin**—Rockintotherhythm, by Broad Brush, \$28,200, O—Jagger Inc., B—Indian Springs Farm, Inc. & Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings, LLC. (KY), T—Jamie Ness, J—Navin Mangalee

Sale History: 2014 OBSJUN, \$170,000, 2013 KEESEP, \$55,000.

Margin: 2½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Parx Racing, Race 8, AOC

1/15, \$47,000, 4yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:38.19, track fast.

1—[Run for James](#), 120, ch g, 4, [Shackelford](#)—Pascal's Paradox, by [Monashee Mountain](#), \$28,200, O—Alien Farm LLC, B—Alien Farm LLC (KY), T—Steve Klesaris, J—Joshua Navarro

Margin: 11¼, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 5, AOC

1/15, \$56,000, 3yo, a6.5f (turf), 1:13.67, course firm.

1—[Afleet Ascent](#), 122, b c, 3, [Northern Afleet](#)—Skip Queen, by Skip Away, \$33,600, O—Orr, Ed and Orr, Susie, B—Jason Hall (LA), T—Jerry Hollendorfer, J—Rafael Bejarano

Sale History: 2017 OBSAPR, \$300,000, 2016 OBSAUG, \$32,000.

Margin: 1½, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

MAIDEN RESULTS

Aqueduct, Race 6, MSW

1/15, \$60,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:11.20, track fast.

1—[Morning Hunt](#), 120, dk b/br c, 3, [Morning Line](#)—Dove Season, by City Zip, \$36,000, O—Westbury Stables LLC, B—W. S. Farish (KY), T—Mark E. Casse, J—Dylan Davis

Sale History: 2017 OBSAPR, \$240,000, 2016 KEESEP, \$25,000.

Margin: 5¾, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Fair Grounds, Race 2, MSW

1/15, \$38,000, 3yo, a7.5f (turf), 1:32.62, course firm.

1—[Nothings Changed](#), 120, ch g, 3, [Street Boss](#)—Kindling, by Boundary, \$22,800, O—Scherer, Merrill R., Lynch, Daniel J. and Sentel, Ken, B—Merrill Scherer (LA), T—Merrill R.

Scherer, J—Shaun Bridgmohan

Margin: ½, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Fair Grounds, Race 8, MSW

1/15, \$38,000, 3yo, f, a8f (turf), 1:41.34, course firm.

1—[Holly Go Lightly](#), 120, b f, 3, [Artie Schiller](#)—ItsAbout Midnight, by [Distorted Humor](#), \$22,800, O—Low, Lawana L. and Robert E., B—Robert Low & Lawana Low (KY), T—Steve Margolis, J—Gabriel Saez

Margin: ½, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Laurel Park, Race 4, MSW

1/15, \$40,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:11.64, track fast.

1—[Ghoul's Night Out](#), 124, ch f, 4, [Ghostzapper](#)—Amie's Legend, by Not For Love, \$29,640, O—Mens Grille Racing, B—Two Legends Farm & Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds, LLC (MD), T—Hamilton A. Smith, J—Elvis Trujillo

Sale History: 2016 OBSAPR, \$150,000, 2015 FTMSEP, \$42,000.



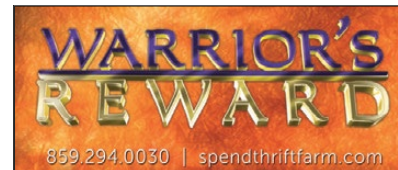
Margin: 2¼, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 2, MSW

1/15, \$75,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:10.96, track fast.

1—[Georgia's Reward](#), 118, gr/ro f, 3, [Warrior's Reward](#)—Tapit Lightly, by Tapit, \$45,000, O—JRita Young Thoroughbreds LLC, B—Robby Robinson & Treissa Robinson (AR), T—Ron Moquett, J—David Cohen

Sale History: 2016 KEESEP, (\$47,000 RNA), 2015 KEENOV, \$29,000.



Margin: 4¾, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 5, MSW

1/15, \$75,000, 3yo, 8.5f (dirt), 1:46.78, track fast.

1—[Tiz Our Turn](#), 120, dk b/br c, 3, [Take Charge Indy](#)—Tiz T'was, by [Tiznow](#), \$45,000, O—High Pointe Racing V, B—Hargus Sexton, Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC (KY), T—Walter M. Bindner, Jr., J—Jon Kenton Court

Sale History: 2016 KEESEP, \$22,000.

Margin: 4½, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 6, MSW

1/15, \$45,000, 3yo, 7f (dirt), 1:25.73, track fast.

1—[Forest Fire](#), 121, dk b/br g, 3, [Friesan Fire](#)—Majestic Forestry, by [Forestry](#), \$37,800, O—Shirley A. Lojeski, B—Shirley Lojeski (PA), T—John C. Servis, J—John Bisono

Margin: 1¼, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 3, MSW

1/15, \$54,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:11.17, track fast.

1—[Violent Ridge](#), 122, dk b/br g, 3, [Violence](#)—Feel Ridge (BRZ), by Choctaw Ridge, \$32,400, O—BG Stables, B—BG Stables (CA), T—Hector O. Palma, J—Geovanni Franco

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UPCOMING ENTRIES

FIRE PLUG S.

Laurel Park, Saturday, January 20, Race 7

6f (dirt), \$100,000, 4yo/up, 3:30 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Favorite Tale	Tale of the Cat	7/g	Frankie Pennington	122	-	PJG Stable
2		Someday Jones	Smarty Jones	5/h	Jorge A. Vargas, Jr.	120	-	Main Line Racing Stable & Alexandria Stable
3		Colonel Sharp	Colonel John	5/g	No Rider	118	-	Rising Sun Stable
4		Do Share	Candy Ride (ARG)	5/g	Horacio Karamanos	122	-	The Estate of Anthony Miuccio
5		Two Charley's	Hansen	4/c	Steve D. Hamilton	118	-	Charles L. Biggs
6		Life in Shambles	Broken Vow	7/g	Feargal Lynch	120	-	Paradise Farms Corp.
7		Something Awesome	Awesome Again	7/g	Elvis Trujillo	118	-	Stronach Stable Inc.
8		Chief Lion	Wildcat Heir	8/g	Sheldon Russell	122	-	David Jacobson
9		Rockinn On Bye	Rock Hard Ten	7/g	Taylor M. Hole	118	-	Stephen R. Ferguson
10		It's the Journey	Mineshaft	5/g	Julian Pimentel	120	-	R. Larry Johnson
11		Flashy Kyem	Medallist	5/g	Jomar Torres	118	-	Daniel McConnell & Lee H. Vosters
12		Awesome Banner	Awesome of Course	5/h	J. D. Acosta	118	-	Jacks or Better Farm, Inc.

Breeders: 1–Paul Conaway; 2–Patricia L. Chapman; 3–Susan Casner; 4–Colts Neck Stables LLC; 5–Pope McLean, Marc McLean & Pope McLean Jr.; 6–C. Clement & Don M. Robinson; 7–Adena Springs; 8–Harold J. Plumley; 9–Sycamore Hall Farm LLC; 10–Larry Johnson; 11–Daniel W. McConnell Sr., Gelman & Vosters; 12–Jacks or Better Farm Inc..

Trainers: 1–Guadalupe Preciado; 2–John C. Servis; 3–Hugh I. McMahon; 4–Linda Rice; 5–Cathal A. Lynch; 6–Steven M. Asmussen; 7–Jose Corrales; 8–David Jacobson; 9–Stephen M. Casey; 10–Michael J. Trombetta; 11–Keith Nations; 12–Kenneth Decker.

WHAT A SUMMER S.

Laurel Park, Saturday, January 20, Race 8

6f (dirt), \$100,000, 4yo/up f/m, 4:00 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Tazkeya	Blame	4/f	Mychel J. Sanchez	118	-	Shadwell Stables
2		Angel At War	Shackleford	4/f	Sheldon Russell	118	-	Old Coach Farm
3		Seeknthelegantpearl	Hat Trick (JPN)	4/f	No Rider	118	-	Ricardo Bailey
4		Rowd E Allie	E Dubai	6/m	Feargal Lynch	118	-	Peter Shindel
5		Ms Locust Point	Dialed In	4/f	Jorge A. Vargas, Jr.	122	-	Cash is King LLC & Jim Reichenbery
6		Love Came to Town	Medallist	6/m	Elvis Trujillo	118	-	Gerald F. Sleeter
7		My Magician	Street Magician	6/m	Jomar Torres	120	-	Euro Stable

Breeders: 1–Shadwell Farm, LLC; 2–Mike Lauffer; 3–Colts Neck Stables LLC; 4–Two-Turn Farm LLC; 5–Lesley Campion; 6–Kevin Sleeter; 7–Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman & Brooke C. Bowman & R. Larry Johnson.

Trainers: 1–Michael V. Pino; 2–Michael E. Gorham; 3–Ricardo Bailey; 4–Ronald Rideout; 5–John C. Servis; 6–Kevin G. Sleeter; 7–Claudio A. Gonzalez.

JAZIL S.

Aqueduct, Saturday, January 20, Race 3

9f (dirt), \$100,000, 4yo/up, 1:20 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Doyouknowsomething	Awesome Again	6/g	Angel S. Arroyo	118	-	M and M Racing, Dahlman, Ernest and Caron, Robert G.
2		Unbridled Daddy	Scat Daddy	5/g	Trevor McCarthy	120	-	Red Oak Stable (Brunetti)
3		Clowney	Yesbyjimmy	6/g	Emmanuel Esquivel	118	-	Five C's Stable
4		Backsideofthemoon	Malibu Moon	6/r	Kendrick Carmouche	118	-	Lake Lonely Racing
5		Harlan Punch	Harlan's Holiday	5/g	Dylan Davis	120	-	Jacobson, David
6		Turco Bravo (CHI)	Caesarion (IRE)	9/g	Joseph Rocco, Jr.	116	-	Ivery Sisters Racing

Breeders: 1–Mike Abraham; 2–Red Oak Stable; 3–Marion G. Montanari; 4–Doug Branham; 5–Rosemont Farm LLC; 6–Haras Carioca.

Trainers: 1–Robertino Diodoro; 2–Gregory D. Sacco; 3–Patricia Farro; 4–Leo O'Brien; 5–David Jacobson; 6–David A. Cannizzo.

UPCOMING ENTRIES

CALIFORNIA DERBY

Golden Gate Fields, Saturday, January 20, Race 7
8.5f (all-weather), \$100,000, 3yo, 3:45 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Kylomore	Tiz Wonderful	3/c	Aaron T. Gryder	116	-	Greco Racing Stable, Cloonan or Harty
2		Mugaritz	Dialed In	3/g	Frank T. Alvarado	116	-	Alejandro Mercado
3		Intimidate	Vronsky	3/c	Abel Cedillo	122	-	James A. Eaton, Maria E. Hess or Don Muldoon
4		Generally Lucky	Lucky Pulpit	3/g	Rocco Bowen	116	-	Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams
5		Choo Choo	English Channel	3/c	Juan J. Hernandez	116	-	Calumet Farm
6		Campaigner	Ministers Wild Cat	3/g	Brayan Pena	116	-	Larry Stein
7		East Rand	Denman (AUS)	3/c	Heribert Naherd Martinez	116	-	Rancho Temescal, LLC or Red Baron's Barn LLC
8		Ministersdontparty	Ministers Wild Cat	3/g	William Antongeorgi III	116	-	Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC

Breeders: 1–Catherine Zoc; 2–Sean Speck & Barbara Speck; 3–Donald Muldoon; 4–Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams; 5–Calumet Farm; 6–Larry Stein; 7–Landaluce Educe Stables; 8–Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC.

Trainers: 1–Eoin G. Harty; 2–Jonathan Wong; 3–Robert B. Hess, Sr.; 4–Steven Specht; 5–Jerry Hollendorfer; 6–Steven Miyadi; 7–Jeff Mullins; 8–Steven Miyadi.



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2017 LEADING SIRES IN OKLAHOMA

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Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'18 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Earnings
1	Wilburn	Bernardini, '08	\$3,500	River Oaks Farms, Inc., OK	Lovely Bernadette (\$386,996)	\$3,142,538
2	Pollard's Vision	Carson City, '01	\$2,500	Mighty Acres, OK	Eye Luv Lulu (\$123,200)	\$1,614,334
3	Magna Graduate	Honor Grades, '02	\$2,500	Brewster Ranch, OK	My Mertie (\$68,397)	\$1,195,569
4	Mr. Nightlinger	Indian Charlie, '04	Died	N/A	Mr. N (\$110,796)	\$1,168,513
5	Read the Footnotes	Smoke Glacken, '01	\$1,000	River Oaks Farms, Inc., OK	Bee Noteworthy (\$197,800)	\$1,160,457
6	Cactus Ridge	Hennessy, '01	Pnsd	N/A	Tulsa Queen (\$116,553)	\$1,128,631
7	American Lion	Tiznow, '07	\$1,000	River Oaks Farms, Inc., OK	Lion in Wait (\$86,150)	\$1,127,135
8	Don't Get Mad	Stephen Got Even, '02	Died	N/A	Pacific Typhoon (\$149,923)	\$1,071,433
9	Euroears	Langfuhr, '04	N/A	N/A	Eurobond (\$167,765)	\$1,020,060
10	Latent Heat	Maria's Mon, '03	\$1,500	River Oaks Farms, Inc., OK	Singingintheheat (\$73,550)	\$986,471

2017 LEADING SIRES IN TEXAS

Listed below are the top 10 leading sires in Texas by 2017 Northern Hemisphere earnings through December 31, 2017. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2017 Northern Hemisphere only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'18 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Earnings
1	Too Much Bling	Rubiano, '03	\$6,500	Valor Farm, TX	Rumpole (\$114,400)	\$1,944,519
2	Grasshopper	Dixie Union, '04	\$3,500	Valor Farm, TX	Texas Chrome (\$190,800)	\$820,250
3	My Golden Song	Unbridled's Song, '03	\$5,000	Valor Farm, TX	Zippit E (\$82,070)	\$719,742
4	Congaree	Arazi, '98	\$3,000	Valor Farm, TX	Puparee (\$44,501)	\$672,056
5	Valid Expectations	Valid Appeal, '93	Died	N/A	Ivan Fallunovalot (\$144,995)	\$669,917
6	Early Flyer	Gilded Time, '98	\$2,500	Valor Farm, TX	Bravura (\$50,000)	\$563,340
7	Intimidator	Gone West, '01	N/A	N/A	Estrickator (\$86,980)	\$473,629
8	Stonesider	Giant's Causeway, '03	\$2,000	Valor Farm, TX	Toohottoevenspeak (\$84,340)	\$402,545
9	Lunarpal	Successful Appeal, '02	N/A	N/A	Grizabella (\$64,941)	\$332,756
10	Uncle Abbie	Kingmambo, '97	\$2,000	Key Ranch, TX	Galactica (\$79,820)	\$272,770

2017 LEADING SIRES IN COLORADO

Listed below are the top 10 leading sires in Colorado by 2017 Northern Hemisphere earnings through December 31, 2017. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2017 Northern Hemisphere only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'18 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Earnings
1	Grand Minstrel	Grand Slam, '05	\$1,500	Menoken Farms, CO	A J's Grand (\$31,181)	\$304,597
2	Oliver's Twist	Horatius, '92	\$1,000	Menoken Farms, CO	Twisted Regan (\$41,748)	\$157,262
3	Crafty Shaw	Crafty Prospector, '98	N/A	N/A	Ms Wild Rush (\$20,537)	\$114,045
4	El Roblar	War Chant, '02	N/A	N/A	Robthequeen (\$33,034)	\$71,070
5	Crystal Class	Mr. Prospector, '00	N/A	N/A	Cinnamon Wind (\$15,601)	\$46,809
6	Behold de Buy	E Dubai, '08	\$1,000	Eaton Veterinary Clinic, CO	Behold That Word (\$16,438)	\$31,001
7	Silver Saint	Silver Deputy, '96	\$1,000	Owl Canyon Thoroughbreds, CO	Silvers Wild (\$19,624)	\$26,378
8	Laughing Charlie	Indian Charlie, '07	\$500	Eaton Veterinary Clinic, CO	Charlies Happy Cat (\$11,872)	\$21,889
9	Kennedy Factor	Meadowlake, '88	N/A	N/A	Queens Prize (\$4,200)	\$4,200
10	Collector	State Craft, '02	N/A	N/A	Four Ten Express (\$1,450)	\$1,450

