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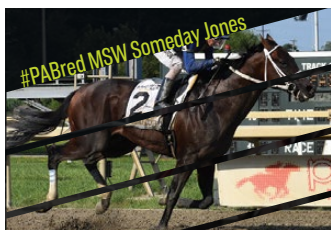
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INTO MISCHIEF BREAKS SINGLE-SEASON EARNINGS RECORD

By Eric Mitchell

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Appropriately named debut winner Life Is Good's Nov. 22 victory at Del Mar allowed his sire, Spendthrift Farm's Into Mischief, to break the North American single-season progeny earnings record set by Gainesway's Tapit in 2016.

Into Mischief's progeny earnings from only Northern Hemisphere racing now totals \$19,994,720, according to The Jockey's Club Information Systems' EquineLine, meaning the 15-year-old son of Harlan's Holiday is \$11,547 ahead of Tapit's record of \$19,983,173 with still 38 days remaining for 2020.

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—NED TOFFEY

"Tapit is a wonderful sire, so to eclipse his record is something special," said Ned Toffey, general manager of Spendthrift Farm. "To have these kinds of numbers, you have to be consistent and you have to be brilliant. Into Mischief just gets one good runner after another."

Life Is Good is co-owned by China Horse Club and WinStar Farm. Trained by Bob Baffert and ridden by Mike Smith, the colt won by 9 1/2 lengths and earned \$34,200 in purses. Gary and Mary West bred the colt in Kentucky out of the Distorted Humor mare Beach Walk. The colt's owners bought him at the 2019 Keeneland September Yearling Sale for \$525,000 through Paramount Sales.

Into Mischief's progeny performance statistics for 2020 alone speak to his consistency as a sire. Besides leading by progeny earnings, he is the top sire by number of winners (174), number of black-type winners (28), number of black-type performers (58), and has the highest percentage of black-type performers from runners (14.5%). Into Mischief is the co-leader by number of grade 1 winners with three alongside WinStar Farm's Speightstown and More Than Ready, Hill 'n' Dale at Xalapa's Violence, and Claiborne Farm's War Front.

"Early on in his career, we used to talk about what this horse could accomplish if he could keep up his numbers with bigger books and they're pretty close," Toffey said. Into Mischief's 11% lifetime

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INTO MISCHIEF BREAKS SINGLE-SEASON EARNINGS RECORD

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black-type winners from starters is near to what he accomplished in his first three crops, which was a combined 12% stakes winners from starters. The sire's 71% lifetime winners from starters is far ahead of the collective 54% winners from starters in his first three crops. Into Mischief was the leading North American sire by number of winners in 2018 (180) and 2019 (216).

Into Mischief's other accomplishments this year alone are extraordinary. Authentic became the sire's first Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) winner and followed that performance with a victory in the Longines Breeders' Cup Classic (G1), which puts him in front for Horse of the Year honors. Authentic has been retired and will enter stud next year at Spendthrift at a fee of \$75,000.

Toffey said he would also add to Into Mischief's feats for 2020 the success of his son and leading third-crop sire Goldencents, who leads his sire class



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Into Mischief at Spendthrift Farm

by progeny earnings (\$5,997,930), number of winners (92), number of black-type winners (six), and number of graded stakes winners (three).

"Now Into Mischief is going to that next level and proving himself as a sire of sires," Toffey said. "We're running out of superlatives." **BH**

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LEADING SECOND-CROP SIREs



Rank	Stallion, YOB, (Sire) Farm, Stud Fee	Named Foals	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SW/ SHs	GSW	G1W	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'20 Earnings
1	Constitution, '11, (Tapit) WinStar Farm, KY, \$40,000	210	126 / 51	7 / 18	2	1	Tiz the Law \$2,388,300	\$5,927,553
2	American Pharoah, '12, (Pioneerof the Nile) Ashford Stud, KY, Private	296	161 / 61	10 / 14	6	2	Harvey's Lil Goil \$699,929	\$5,018,416
3	Daredevil, '12, (More Than Ready) Jockey Club of Turkey Stud Farms, TUR, Private	141	75 / 32	3 / 3	2	2	Swiss Skydiver \$1,761,820	\$4,049,784
4	Tapiture, '11, (Tapit) Darby Dan Farm, KY, \$10,000	238	157 / 79	5 / 12	1	0	Jesus' Team \$417,040	\$3,774,814
5	Liam's Map, '11, (Unbridled's Song) Lane's End, KY, \$35,000	206	114 / 48	6 / 9	3	1	Rushie \$502,800	\$3,593,718
6	Khozan, '12, (Distorted Humor) Journeyman Stallions, FL, \$10,000	126	87 / 52	5 / 11	0	0	Princess Secret \$434,300	\$3,180,337
7	Honor Code, '11, (A.P. Indy) Lane's End, KY, \$30,000	199	106 / 38	2 / 5	2	1	Honor A. P. \$490,000	\$2,791,151
8	Tonalist, '11, (Tapit) Lane's End, KY, \$15,000	160	85 / 43	2 / 7	2	0	Tonalist's Shape \$291,965	\$2,647,724
9	Bayern, '11, (Offlee Wild) Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY, \$15,000	141	92 / 52	2 / 8	1	0	Biddy Duke \$183,980	\$2,584,534
10	Summer Front, '09, (War Front) Airdrie Stud, KY, \$10,000	167	100 / 44	4 / 8	2	0	Ete Indien \$358,850	\$2,519,578

Listed above are the top 10 leading second-crop sires by 2020 Northern Hemisphere earnings through November 22, 2020. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2016 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2020 Northern Hemisphere only.



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Rank	Stallion, YOY (Sire) Farm, Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	BT SW/ SHs	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'20 Earnings
1	Gemologist, '09, (Tiznow) Acadiana Equine@Copper Crowne, LA, \$4,500	208 / 96	3 / 6	Horologist \$345,334	\$3,756,651
2	Court Vision, '05, (Gulch) Acadiana Equine@Copper Crowne, LA, \$3,500	101 / 41	1 / 5	Court Return \$205,875	\$1,965,869
3	Star Guitar, '05, (Quiet American) Clear Creek Stud, LA, \$7,500	76 / 42	1 / 6	Guitar Tribute \$80,630	\$1,404,844
4	Daaher, '04, (Awesome Again) Circle H Farms, LA, \$3,000	62 / 33	0 / 0	Gypsy Janie \$89,052	\$1,225,082
5	Country Day, '06, (Speightstown) Peach Lane Farms, LA, \$2,500	63 / 35	1 / 2	Vintage Hollywood \$115,910	\$1,160,248
6	Astrology, '08, (A.P. Indy) Acadiana Equine@Copper Crowne, LA, \$4,000	92 / 35	0 / 1	Aspect \$81,868	\$1,092,218
7	Custom for Carlos, '06, (More Than Ready) Clear Creek Stud, LA, \$3,500	105 / 34	1 / 1	Monte Man \$109,512	\$1,080,490
8	Half Ours, '03, (Unbridled's Song) Clear Creek Stud, LA, \$5,000	90 / 36	0 / 2	Our Lost Love \$97,183	\$1,006,012
9	Secret Circle, '09, (Eddington) Elite Thoroughbreds, LA, \$3,000	34 / 19	0 / 4	Our Secret Agent \$131,958	\$728,278
10	Bind, '08, (Pulpit) Red River Farms, LA, \$1,500	44 / 20	2 / 3	Mirabeau \$105,350	\$705,715

Listed above are the top 10 leading sires in Louisiana by 2020 Northern Hemisphere earnings through November 22, 2020. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2016 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2020 Northern Hemisphere only.



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CHURCHILL DOWNS TO INSTALL NEW TURF COURSE

By BloodHorse Staff

Churchill Downs Racetrack announced Nov. 23 it will invest \$10 million to install a new turf course that will widen the running surface and increase the durability to allow increased turf racing throughout the year at the historic home of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1).

The capital project will begin immediately after the completion of the 2021 spring meet and be ready for turf racing to resume at the start of the 2022 spring meet. If growing conditions are favorable, the new grass course could be ready for use by the November 2021 fall meet.

The current Matt Winn Turf Course, a seven-eighths-of-a-mile oval situated inside the one-mile dirt track, is the original surface when grass racing debuted 35 years ago at Churchill Downs in 1985. It is comprised of four-inch high Kentucky 31 Fescue (90%) and Bluegrass (10%) grown in a three-inch topsoil layer over a 13-inch course masonry sand base.

The new and more robust turf course will be a similar blend of fescue and bluegrass and will have a redesigned subsurface. The growing medium will contain a six-inch upper root zone layer created with a blended mix of topsoil and grit sand which will sit on a six-inch lower sand layer constructed with masonry sand. Churchill Downs planted several test plots in the spring of 2019 and selected the best for use in the new turf course.

The current track, which is 80 feet wide, was designed with a crown that runs down the center of the track to facilitate drainage, limiting the number of running lanes.

The new turf course includes a new state-of-the-art irrigation and drainage system, will be widened to 85 feet, and be designed to use the full width and banking in the turns. It will provide multiple rail movement options with the capacity to accommodate four racing lanes that range from 0-36 feet out and as many as 14 participants per race.

Churchill Downs retained the United Kingdom-based STRI Group to design a new racing surface for the historic track. STRI has designed, constructed, maintained, and provided consulting and



Horses race on the turf at Churchill Downs

monitoring services for world-class turf surfaces supporting equine athletics at the highest level, including Ascot Racecourse and Riyadh Equestrian Club. Additionally, STRI has provided grass consulting to signature international sporting events including soccer's FIFA World Cup, tennis' Wimbledon, and golf's Open Championship.

As a result of the turf project, there will be no stabling at Churchill Downs for eight weeks during the months of July and August. Also, there will be no turf racing during the 2021 September meet to allow the roots to grow down and the turf to take hold.

Churchill Downs stages approximately 700 races each year during its three race meets with about 25% of those races scheduled for the turf. In 2019, there were 169 scheduled grass races but 43 of those events were transferred to the dirt because of inclement weather or sub-optimal course conditions.

On Nov. 14, Churchill Downs announced that it was suspending turf racing for a week and five days later extended that suspension through the end of the meet Nov. 29.

The Churchill turf course was rated good when last used Nov. 12. That day, Winning Impression, a 3-year-old gelding who was 12th in the Kentucky Derby, took a bad step near the finish of an allowance race on grass. He broke a sesamoid and was euthanized.

According to Darren Rogers, the track's senior director of communications and media services, dry weather in September led the course's root system to not take hold as much as desired.

The course has experienced occasional problems in recent years, most evident during the fall when cooler weather leaves the course retaining moisture and racing creates more divots. **BH**

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CURLIN'S HONOR TO STAND AT PLEASANT ACRES STALLIONS

By BloodHorse Staff

Multiple graded stakes-placed, black-type winner Curlin's Honor, from the family of Fappiano, will be standing in Florida for the 2021 breeding season at Pleasant Acres Stallions for fee of \$2,500.

Curlin's Honor is a son of Curlin, a two-time Horse of the Year and Eclipse Award-winning champion 3-year-old and champion older horse who has sired 72 black-type winners and six champions worldwide. Curlin's Honor's dam, Franscat, has produced eight winners out of nine starters, including three black-type winners and one graded stakes-placed winner.

Trained by Mark Casse for John Oxley and Breeze Easy, Curlin's Honor proved to be a versatile runner on both dirt and grass and finished in the money for 12 out of 17 starts. At 3, he won the six-furlong Woodstock Stakes by 2 1/4 lengths in 1:08.85. In the same year, he placed second in the seven-furlong Paradise Creek Stakes and the nine-furlong Ontario Derby (G3), where he beat future graded stakes winner Mr Ritz.

At 4, Curlin's Honor returned to win the eight-furlong Artie Schiller Stakes, defeating grade 1 winner Voodoo Song. Earlier in the year, he placed second in the King Edward Stakes (G2T) and third in the Connaught Cup Stakes (G2T), the Play the King Stakes (G2T), Jacques Cartier Stakes (G3), and Bold Venture Stakes (G3).

When asked about Curlin's Honor, Casse described the horse as, "Talented, fast, handsome, and pure class."

"We are excited to bring Curlin's Honor to Pleasant Acres Stallions," said Pleasant Acres Stallions' owner Joe Barbazon. "As a record breaking \$1.5 million 2-year-old in training purchase, he has proven himself long and short, on all-weather, turf, and dirt. Helen and I look forward to another great breeding season in 2021 with this newest addition to the stallion roster."

Curlin's Honor joins stallions Amira's Prince, Breaking Lucky, Bucchero, Gunnevera, Handsome Mike, Long On Value, Neolithic, Ride On Curlin, Squadron A, Sweetontheladies, and Treasure Beach at the 220-acre farm located just northwest of Ocala, Fla.



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Curlin's Honor wins the 2019 Artie Schiller Stakes at Aqueduct Racetrack

Pleasant Acres Stallions has received many accolades for excellence, including the 2017 Florida freshman sire of the year for Poseidon's Warrior, 2017 DRF Florida-bred Beyer Award, 2009 Florida Breeder of the Year, 2009 Florida Broodmare of the Year, Breeder of the 2009 Florida Horse of the Year, and was ranked third in the nation for leading breeders in 2009 by average earnings per starter with 10 or more starters. **BH**

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GRADED STAKES WINNER MR. MONOMOY RETIRED

By Ron Mitchell

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Mr. Monomoy, the half brother to champion Monomoy Girl and an early contender for the 2020 Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1), has been retired. Liz Crow, the racing manager for Madaket Stables, Michael Dubb, and Doheny Racing Stable through BSW/Crow, said the owners are accepting stallion offers on the 3-year-old son of Palace Malice.

After placing third in the Jan. 18 Lecomte Stakes (G3) and winning the Feb. 15 Risen Star Stakes Presented by Lamarque Ford (G2)—both at Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots—the colt was second on the Kentucky Derby leaderboard before being taken off the Triple Crown trail following a minor ankle injury in early spring.

From two wins, a second, and a third in five starts, Mr. Monomoy retired with career earnings of \$327,162 for trainer Brad Cox.

"He was able to win going short and then win a major Kentucky Derby prep by carrying his speed around two turns at 1 1/8 miles," said Cox. "Those

are two major check marks that make a top sire, in my opinion."

Bred in Kentucky by FPF & Highfield Ranch, Mr. Monomoy was purchased by Fir Grove Farm for \$60,000 as a weanling at the 2017 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale. He was then bought for \$202,230 by Mandore International Agency at the 2019 Arqana May Breeze-Up Sale.

Mr. Monomoy was produced from the winning Henny Hughes mare Drumette, also the dam of superstar Monomoy Girl, who recently was purchased by Spendthrift Farm for \$9.5 million from the ELiTE consignment at The November Sale, Fasig-Tipton's premier breeding stock sale in Lexington. **BH**



Mr. Monomoy at WinStar Farm

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VOODOO SONG ACQUIRED BY TURKISH STUD

By Eric Mitchell

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Grade 1 winner Voodoo Song has been purchased privately by Turkish owner/breeder Alp S. Evcimen and will stand at his farm alongside other American expatriate stallions Toccet, Justenuffhumor, and Cortinian.

Evcimen said he was keen to get a son of English Channel that would have high potential for producing a Gazi Derby winner.

"Although Toccet has sired a multiple Turkish group 1 winner in his first generation (in Turkey), and Justenuffhumor several black-type winners, they are rather dirt/all-weather-oriented and Evcimen Stud was seeking a turf champion as well, suitable to Turkish racetracks and race programs," Evcimen said, noting that Turkish breeders have been particularly interested recently in acquiring mares by either English Channel or multiple leading North American turf sire Kitten's Joy. Evcimen bought three mares by Kitten's Joy among the eight mares he acquired at the recent Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale. The cross of English Channel with Kitten's Joy daughters has produced 20 foals of racing age so far that include 14 winners and four (25%) black-type winners that are all graded stakes winners.

Voodoo Song made all but four of his 26 starts on turf. He won or placed in four graded stakes, with his best performance producing a win in the 2018 Fourstardave Handicap (G1T) at Saratoga Race Course. Voodoo Song had an affinity for Saratoga, where he won four consecutive races in 2017 at 3 that included his first black-type win in the Saranac Stakes (G3T), in which he beat eventual Horse of the Year Bricks and Mortar. The 6-year-old horse retired with an 8-4-1 record and earned \$954,350.

"He was very successful on Saratoga's turf course, which is very similar to Turkish turf surfaces," said bloodstock agent Murat Sancal, who brokered the deal. "I am so fortunate that we were able to get the deal done, and he will be heading to Turkey about mid-December. He will have good support from Turkish breeders, and we hope to get best results from his progeny."

Voodoo Song was offered at the Keeneland November sale through Hunter Valley Farm's consignment. The horse was bought back on a final bid of \$95,000.

Barry and Sheryl Schwartz bred Voodoo Song in New York in the name of their Stonewall Farm out of their stakes winner Mystic Chant, a daughter of Unbridled's Song whom they bought as a yearling for \$200,000 and won the Open Mind Stakes. As a broodmare, Mystic Chant has produced eight winners from nine to race, including stakes-placed Singapore Trader (by Flatter).

Mystic Chant is a half sister to multiple graded-placed stakes winner Mystic Soul, who is the dam of stakes winner Encryption, who placed in three graded stakes.

English Channel leads the North American turf sires standings with nearly \$4.6 million in progeny earnings through Nov. 22. The Calumet Farm stallion has sired eight black-type winners this year, including five graded stakes winners led by four-time grade 1 winner Channel Maker. For his career, English Channel has sired 54 black-type winners, including 28 graded/group stakes winners, and six champions. **BH**



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Voodoo Song wins the 2018 Fourstardave Handicap at Saratoga Race Course

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TOM'S READY LATEST ADDITION TO OLD FRIENDS

By BloodHorse Staff

Multiple graded stakes winner Tom's Ready has been welcomed by Old Friends, the Thoroughbred Retirement Center in Georgetown, Ky., announced Nov. 23.

The 7-year-old son of More Than Ready—Goodbye Stranger, by Broad Brush, stood initially at Spendthrift Farm in 2018 and then at Red River Farms in Louisiana for 2019-20.

Bred in Pennsylvania by Blackstone Farm and campaigned by the late Tom Benson's G M B Racing and trainer Dallas Stewart, Tom's Ready broke his maiden in his third start as a 2-year-old at Churchill Downs, and followed that win with a close second in the Street Sense Stakes.

A second-place finish to Gun Runner in the Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby (G2) qualified Tom's Ready for the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1), where he finished 12th behind winner Nyquist.

His career apex came the following start when he captured the Woody Stephens Stakes (G2) at Belmont Park. He went on to defeat older horses, including champion sprinter Runhappy, in the Ack Ack Stakes (G3), again at Churchill. He ended the season with a fifth-place finish in the Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1).

At 4, he captured the Leemat Stakes at Presque Isle Downs and the Bold Ruler Handicap (G3) at Belmont Park.

Tom's Ready retired with earnings of \$1,036,267.

"I truly respect and appreciate the great work of the staff at Old Friends as we have come to know Michael Blowen and his great work," said G M B Racing's Gayle Benson. "We have had Saint Aloysius there for a number of years, and it gives us great pleasure to have our wonderful Tom's Ready retire to Old Friends. He was our first purchase, he is a



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Tom's Ready returns after his win in the 2017 Leemat Stakes at Presque Isle Downs

grade 2 winner, and he raced in the Kentucky Derby and the Breeder's Cup, so we are very proud of him and he is deserving of the great care that Old Friends will provide."

"We're honored to add Tom's Ready to our other old friends," said Old Friends founder and president Michael Blowen. "I'm certain that his many fans will be very excited to see him when

we, hopefully, open for tours post-virus. Meanwhile, he already has his head in the carrot bucket." **BH**

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Meet new guy @gmbracing's GSW TOM'S READY (7). Bred in PA, Tom won the G2 Woody Stephens @TheNYRA & earned a little over \$1 million in a 3 year career. Michael says he's settled in well & has already discovered how to score carrots. <https://conta.cc/3nNuEMn>

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OBIT: SHARTLE WAS HERMITAGE FARM MANAGER OVER 30 YEARS

By BloodHorse Staff

Former longtime Hermitage Farm manager Thomas E. Shartle—more commonly known as "Shartle" to his friends—died at age 85 on Aug. 16.

Shartle was born to Naomi and Harry Shartle in Middletown, Ohio, in 1934. From a young age it was evident that horses were going to play a key role in his life. After graduating high school he boarded a bus headed towards the Bluegrass State and never looked back. Once he arrived in Lexington he quickly went to work and never stopped. His first job there was with the famous Calumet Farm where he found himself under the wing of Hall of Fame trainer Ben Jones.

Shartle spent most of his years under another famous Jones, Warner Jones, at Hermitage Farm in Goshen, Ky., where he served as the farm manager for over 30 years. As farm manager for Warner Jones, he oversaw the preparation and sale of Seattle Dancer for \$13.1 million at the 1985 Keeneland July Sales, a yearling sales record that still stands. He also managed the \$32 million Hermitage dispersal in 1987 and raised over 100 stakes winners for



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Thomas Shartle

Hermitage owners Warner Jones and Carl Pollard.

After retiring Shartle remained in the horse industry as a trainer and as the owner of Shartle Horse Transport. He will be remembered for his work ethic, honesty, strong personality, and hands the same size as his heart.

He is survived by his four children Suzy Hershey (Michael), Tony Shartle, Mindy Sather (Todd), and T.J. Shartle. He also leaves behind five grandchildren Natalie, Olivia, Lulu Hershey, and Brody and Gage Sather.

A memorial service was held Aug. 22 at Hermitage Farm. **BH**

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MAIDEN WATCH

LIFE IS GOOD, BRATTLE HOUSE IMPRESSIVE IN DEBUTS

By Mary LaRue

This column highlights the performances of maidens who have made no more than five starts and who either sold for more than \$500,000 at public auction, have siblings that are grade/group winners, or have dams that are grade/group winners. BloodHorse research shows maiden winners in particular who meet these criteria are more likely to go on to be graded stakes winners.

Del Mar

Life Is Good, a 2-year-old colt that China Horse Club and Maverick Racing bought for \$525,000 at the Keeneland September Yearling Sale last year, won his Nov. 22 debut by 9 1/2 lengths at Del Mar. The 6 1/2-furlong race earned the son of Into Mischief an impressive Equibase Speed Figure of 107.

Trained by Bob Baffert, Life Is Good went to post at odds of 1-5 under jockey Mike Smith. The colt was first away from the gate and raced through quick fractions of :21.80, :44.84, and 1:09.08 through six furlongs. In the stretch he was ahead by seven lengths and he was ridden out to cross the wire in a final time of 1:15.50 on a fast track.

Bred by Gary and Mary West Stable in Kentucky, Life Is Good is the second foal, and winner, out of the Distorted Humor mare Beach Walk. His second dam is grade 1-placed Bonnie Blue Flag, a half sister to dual grade 1 winner Diamondrella.

Aqueduct

Several 2-year-olds with notable pedigrees made their way to the



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Life Is Good scores by 9 1/2 lengths in his debut at Del Mar

winner's circle at Aqueduct Racetrack this week.

The first came Nov. 19 when Jim and Susan Hill's Western Advantage defeated a field of eight others in a 1 1/16-mile test. Trained by George Weaver and ridden to a three-quarter-length victory by Dylan Davis, the Competitive Edge colt was last in the early going as fractions went in :22.92 and :48.40 for a half-mile.

Western Advantage was still seventh as six furlongs went in 1:14.49 and heading into the stretch

Davis guided the colt up to fourth while three wide. The colt then dug and rallied in the final yards to prevail in a final time of 1:48 on the firm outer turf track.

Bred by The New Hill Farm, Western Advantage is out of the Red Ransom mare Western Ransom, who won the 2004 Martha Washington Breeders' Cup Stakes (G3T) in her final start.



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Straw Into Gold wins first time out at Aqueduct Racetrack

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MAIDEN WATCH

LIFE IS GOOD, BRATTLE HOUSE IMPRESSIVE IN DEBUTS

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On Nov. 21, Waterville Lake Stable's homebred Straw Into Gold won on debut for Christophe Clement, who has been highly successful at the Aqueduct meet so far with 10 wins since Nov. 6. The juvenile Hard Spun colt is out of the grade 3 winner Strike It Rich, by Unbridled's Song. His stakes-winning half brother Sea Foam has earned nearly \$600,000 and placed third in the Oct. 24 Empire Classic Handicap.

Taking on a field of 11 others going 1 1/16 miles on the turf, Straw Into Gold was seventh early under Joel Rosario, passed only one horse to be sixth as six furlongs went in 1:13.90, and then rallied in the stretch to get a neck in front at the wire in a final time of 1:44.43 on a firm course.



COGLIANESE PHOTOS

Brattle House breaks his maiden at Aqueduct Racetrack

Clement and Rosario paired up again the following day with Brattle House, a \$775,000 yearling who made a successful debut at the New York track, taking a one-mile test by 5 1/4 lengths.

The Malibu Moon filly went gate to wire under Rosario, who never used the whip. She completed the mile in 1:40.42 on a fast track.

Brattle House was bred by Oak Bluff Stables and Clement and is the second foal out of the Street Sense mare Savvy Sassy, whose first foal is the stakes-placed Bourbon Bay. Consigned by Winter Quarter Farm to Fasig-Tipton's Select New York-Bred Yearling Sale, OXO Equine made the winning bid.

Churchill

Anita Cauley Racing's Three Tippy Chix won her third start Saturday, taking a 6 1/2-furlong maiden special weight at Churchill Downs. The Ian Wilkes trainee finished off the board in her debut at the Louisville track in early September, but returned to place second in an Oct. 17 maiden race at Keeneland.

On Saturday, the Medaglia d'Oro filly raced in fourth under Julien Leparoux as early fractions went in :23.27 for the quarter and :47.14 for the half-mile. Leparoux guided Three Tippy Chix off the rail, tracking three wide around the turn in third. She then rallied through the stretch to win by two lengths in a final time of 1:18.33 on the fast track.

The homebred is out of On Fire Baby, a daughter of Smoke Glacken that earned top-level wins in the 2013 Apple Blossom Stakes (G1) and the following year's newly upgraded La Troienne Stakes (G1) for Anita Cauley. **BH**

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Notable 2yo maiden winners for week of Nov. 16 - Nov. 22

Date	Track	Race	Horse	Sire	Dam	Notes
11/19	Aqu	5	Western Advantage	Competitive Edge	Western Ransom	Dam is a G3 winner
11/21	Aqu	2	Straw Into Gold	Hard Spun	Strike It Rich	Dam is a G3 winner; half brother to stakes winner Sea Foam
11/21	CD	8	Three Tippy Chix	Medaglia d'Oro	On Fire Baby	Dam is a dual G1 winner
11/22	Aqu	5	Brattle House	Malibu Moon	Savvy Sassy	\$775K Saratoga New York-bred yearling
11/22	Dmr	2	Life is Good	Into Mischief	Beach Walk	\$525K Keeneland September yearling



ALMOND EYE SETS SIGHTS ON JAPAN CUP

By Naohiro Goda

Almond Eye has trained well ahead of the Nov. 29 Japan Cup (G1) at Tokyo Racecourse which will be the 15th and final career start for the 5-year-old mare by Lord Kanaloa.

After scoring her eighth grade 1 victory—which set a new record for the Japan Racing Association—in the Tenno Sho (Autumn, G1) at Tokyo Nov. 1, Almond Eye trained for two weeks at the Tenei Branch of Northern Farm before she was returned to Sakae Kunieda's barn at the JRA's Miho Training Center Nov. 18.

With her regular rider Christophe Lemaire aboard Nov. 20, the mare breezed five furlongs and was clocked in :67 4/5 seconds.

"She is relaxed and I am very happy with her," said Kunieda. "One more breeze is planned for Wednesday, Nov. 25."

To date, Almond Eye has earned ¥1,612,029,900 (US\$14,695,287). That number includes a \$3.6 million prize which she earned via her victory in the 2019 Dubai Turf Sponsored by DP World (G1) for owners Silk Racing Co. Should she win the Japan Cup and take home the ¥300 million in prize money, she will become the all-time leading money earner for the JRA, surpassing Kitanon Black who retired in 2017 with earnings of ¥1,876,843,000 (\$16,575,955).

In the Japan Cup Almond Eye—who swept the 2018 Triple Tiara for 3-year-old fillies—will meet Contrail and Daring Tact, the undefeated winners



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Almond Eye returns from her win in the Tenno Sho Autumn at Tokyo Racecourse

of this year's Triple Crown and Triple Tiara. Also in the field will be France-based runner Way To Paris, winner of the June 28 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud (G1) at Saint-Cloud. A 7-year-old son of Champs Elysees, Way To Paris is the only international runner in the field. **BH**

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SEA THE STARS COLT TOPS TATTERSALLS DECEMBER YEARLINGS

By James Thomas/Racing Post

Bloodlines do not come much better than being by a Investec Epsom Derby (G1) winner and out of an Investec Epsom Oaks (G1) heroine, and that is precisely the breeding boasted by the 300,000 guineas (US\$418,733) top lot at the Tattersalls December Yearling Sale Nov. 23.

The colt in question is by Sea The Stars and out of Talent, and it was Anthony Stroud who struck the winning bid for the Ashbrittle Stud-consigned youngster (Lot 160). The colt, who was bred in partnership by Ashbrittle and Mark Dixon, is the fourth foal out of Talent, whose first offspring is the Prix Corrida (G2) winner Ambition.

The youngster, who is inbred 2x4 to the brilliant blue hen Urban Sea, was making a belated first appearance at public auction having been withdrawn from Book 1 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale earlier this year.



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Anthony Stroud secured the sale-topping Sea The Stars colt (Lot 160) at the Tattersalls December Yearling Sale

"He's a nice horse who needs a bit of time," said Stroud, who has spent much of sales season sourcing future stars for Godolphin. "But he's by a Derby winner and out of an Oaks winner and Ambition has done very well. He had a haematoma on his off hind, that's why he didn't make Book 1.

"I'd seen him as a foal and had seen how he'd been progressing but he's always been a very nice horse. He's going to be trained by John Gosden."

Talent landed the 2013 Oaks while in training with Ralph Beckett and went on to finish runner-up to Leading Light in that year's Ladbrokes St. Leger (G1). The daughter of New Approach visited Ballylinch Stud's rising star sire Lope de Vega earlier this year.

Trade proved solid throughout the session, and although 25 fewer offered lots saw turnover dip by 4% to 3,986,300 guineas (\$5,563,982), the clearance rate was a healthy 86% as 122 yearlings found a new home. In turn, the average rose by 3% to 32,675 guineas (\$45,606), while the median dropped by 20% to 20,000 guineas (\$27,916).

Buyers have a final opportunity to purchase yearlings this year at the Tattersalls Ireland November Flat Foal and Breeding Stock Sale, which takes place on Dec. 16 and has 116 yearlings cataloged.

Sea The Stars Show Continues

It took all of five lots for the six-figure barrier to be broken as Harry McCalmont of Norelands Stud, stationed outside by the parade ring, landed the Sea The Stars filly out of Alla Speranza with a bid of 260,000 guineas (\$362,902). Bred by Kirsten Rausing and the Tsui family's Sunderland Holdings, the filly (Lot 7) hails from one of Lanwades' most prolific families.

Alla Speranza, a group 3-winning daughter of Sir Percy, is the dam of Sky Bet City of York Stakes (G2) scorer Shine So Bright and is out of the listed winner Alvarita, who in turn produced the Irish Stallion Farms E.B.F. Noblesse Stakes victress Altesse.

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Alvarita is a daughter of Rausing's brilliant Alborada, winner of successive renewals of the Dubai Champion Stakes (G1), while Alborada is, of course, a sister to Albanova, a champion in Germany after three group 1 victories and now the dam of major talents such as Algotometer, Alignak, and All At Sea.

Such a page would not have looked out of place at Book 1 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale and that was where the filly had been due to be auctioned prior to being withdrawn. She was sold on Monday through The Castlebridge Consignment.

"She's been bought by a partnership between Norelands and Craig Bernick of Glen Hill Farm," said McCalmont after getting off the phone to Hubie de Burgh. "We both had a good yearling sale season and

we're trying to bring in some new blood to the farm.

"She's a very nice filly and comes from a very good farm. There's a huge number of fillies breeding on the page and they're all being bred to the best stallions. Hopefully she can race and we can add her to the broodmare band in time."

McCalmont was on the opposite side of the docket on this occasion having seen Norelands sell three lots for 2.53 million guineas during Book 1, including the two million guineas (\$2,726,327) Frankel half brother to Golden Horn bought by Godolphin.

The County Kilkenny-based operation also sold eight lots for 1,375,000 guineas during Book 2, a list topped by the Frankel filly out of Love Is Blindness who, coincidentally, went the way of Bernick's Glen Hill Farm for 460,000 guineas (\$631,061).

McCalmont added of the Sea The Stars filly: "Members of this family don't come up that often and it's been very well managed by Kirsten and her team.

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The Sea The Stars filly consigned as Lot 7 at the Tattersalls December Yearling Sale



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"Coolmore have a branch and Juddmonte have a branch, and now we have a branch of it too! She's by a sire that we love and use a lot so we're pleased to have her. I've spoken to Mr. Gosden and I'll speak to him again but hopefully she'll go to him."

A bid of 260,000 guineas comfortably surpassed the high mark at last year's December Yearling Sale, which was set by Sun Bloodstock, who went to 200,000 guineas (\$270,026) for the Dubawi colt out of Voleuse de Coeurs.

Alcohol Free Sibling Lives Up to Star Billing

Arguably no lot boasted a more current page than Knockatrina House Stud's Starspangledbanner half sister to this year's Juddmonte Cheveley Park Stakes (G1) heroine Alcohol Free, and the filly lived up to expectations when knocked down to Daniel Creighton of Creighton Schwartz Bloodstock at 130,000 guineas (\$181,451).

Creighton could not reveal the identity of the filly's new owner, but said she would likely head into training in Britain.

"The sister has done really well this year and she's by a stallion who's done very well as well," he said. "Hopefully it all adds up to her being a very good filly on the track and eventually being a nice broodmare as well. She's a lovely big filly and has a lot of quality."

"I'd say she'll be a midsummer or backend sort of filly. She's been bought for a new client but I don't know who'll train her yet. She'll go into pre-training with my brother and we'll see after, though I'd imagine she'll remain in Britain."

The six-figure filly (Lot 119) was bred by Jossestown Farm and is out of Plying, who was acquired for €21,000 (\$23,909) at the 2018 Goffs November Breeding Stock Sale when offloaded by Churchtown House Stud. As well as Alcohol Free, the daughter of Hard Spun has produced the listed-winning Alexander James.

The filly was pinhooked by Canice Farrell through Pegasus Bloodstock when picked up for €40,000 (\$44,245) at the Goffs February Sale earlier this year.

"We were lucky enough that Alcohol Free came along," said Farrell. "This filly was entered in an earlier sale but had an over-reach. It stood to her as she needed the time. She has a phenomenal temperament—and appetite!"

Lope de Vega Fan Club in Action

Hillwood Stud recorded a huge result at Book 1 when the Lope de Vega colt out of Moi Meme (Lot 320) was knocked down to Godolphin at 900,000 guineas (\$1,216,623), and the stallion did the Vigors' operation another good turn on Monday when Andrew Balding went to 130,000 guineas for the colt out of Stone Roses (Lot 154).

"The stallion has done tremendous things and he's an exciting horse to get," said Balding. "He's been bought for some existing clients who have had a bit of luck with Lope de Vega. He's been good to us and hopefully we have some really nice ones coming through. There was lots to like about this colt."

Stone Roses, a listed-winning daughter of Rip Van Winkle, joined the Hillwood broodmare band at a cost of €280,000 (\$298,704) at Arqana in 2016, and could well be set to repay that investment as the 8-year-old has more progeny of Lope de Vega in the pipeline.

"We've had a good year with Lope de Vega, although I think he's been good to most people who have been lucky enough to be involved with him," said Charlie Vigors.

"We've been big supporters of his and it's paying off. The mare has been producing some nice stock too, now they have to go and prove it on the racecourse. She's got a Lope de Vega filly foal and is in foal to him too, she's another of ours who's been on the Lope de Vega program!"

Gordon-Watson Sticks With Familiar Family

Another lot by Sea The Stars brought a six-figure sum when Charlie Gordon-Watson went to 125,000 guineas for the colt out of Crysdaal offered by New England Stud.

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The March foal is out of a daughter of Meon Valley Stud Fillies' Mile (G1) heroine Crystal Music, meaning the dam is a sibling to four black-type performers and the dam of Ocovango.

The page traces back to Crystal Spray, herself the dam of high-class talents such as Solar Crystal and State Crystal, who is also the grandam of Prix Jean Prat (G1) scorer Zelzal.

"It's a family I know well, going back to the days when I bought Crystal Spray," said Gordon-Watson. "Obviously I like the stallion, Sea The Stars is a very good sire, and he looks good value for a nice horse."

Demi Keeps it Dark

Also going beyond the six-figure mark was Croom House Stud's Dark Angel filly who was knocked down to Demi O'Byrne, who signed as O'Byrne and Grassick/Dan Hayden at 115,000 guineas (\$160,515).

"She's a lovely filly, we really liked her, and she goes into training in Ireland," said Sean Grassick.

The filly (Lot 84) was another lot to boast a recently enhanced page as she is out of Loreto, a Holy Roman Emperor half sister to Cabaret, dam of QIPCO Two Thousand Guineas (G1) hero Magna Grecia and his Darley Dewhurst Stakes (G1)-winning half brother St Mark's Basilica.

Cooper Collects

Patrick Cooper snapped up another of the session's more eye-catching lots when the BBA Ireland man went to 105,000 guineas (\$146,557) for the New Approach colt

out of La Superba (Lot 77) offered by Mount Coote Stud.

"He's been bought for Alpha Racing and goes to Jessica Harrington," said Cooper. "He's a lovely horse and we were looking for a 3-year-old type so hopefully he'll turn out to be a nice mile and a half horse."

"He'll need a bit of time but he's a lovely horse. Alpha Racing have had Cadillac this year, which has cheered everyone up a bit, and hopefully Mrs. Harrington can work her magic again."

Bred and raced by Mark Dixon and Mount Coote's Luke Lillingston, La Superba, a Medicean half sister to Doncaster Cup (G2) winner Thomas Hobson, won three races during her time in training and hails from the same family as Oaks heroine Talent, who supplied the top lot.

Lillingston went on to explain how Monday's sale proved to be a change in fortunes for the colt.

"He's a horse we've always loved," he said. "It was a very deliberate mating to replicate the cross with Talent. He came here for Book 2 and was showing really well for the first day but then spiked a temperature and we had to withdraw him. Damian Flynn and Emma Foley (Redgate Bloodstock) have had him for the last five or six weeks and have done a super job. Emma was an old Mount Coote girl once upon a time and they do a great job."

"When the horse was sick on the grounds our team were up almost all night with him, particularly Paul Carey. Book 2 was so strong that we were disappointed not to be part of it with this horse, but thankfully the market has valued him today. He's going to go to Jessie's, which is the cherry on the icing on the cake!"

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CROWDS SET TO RETURN TO RACETRACKS IN ENGLAND NEXT WEEK

By Scott Burton/Racing Post

In a move welcomed with surprise and delight by racing and bookmakers United Kingdom prime minister Boris Johnson announced English racecourses will be allowed to start welcoming back limited crowds from next Wednesday, while betting shops can re-open too.

Up to 4,000 people will be admitted to outdoor sporting venues in the areas of England least affected by COVID-19 in Tier 1, a number which would drop to 2,000 in Tier 2.

And in a further boost to the sport, betting shops across England will open their doors again along with other non-essential retail premises when the England-wide coronavirus lockdown comes to an end.

Racing's stakeholders welcomed the somewhat unexpected development, with British Horseracing

Authority chief executive Nick Rust describing the UK government's announcement as "more welcome news" following last week's offer of financial assistance in the form of £40 million in loans. Racecourse Association chief executive David Armstrong hailed a "welcome development."

Under the winter plan to tackle the exit from lockdown in England, sport will remain behind closed doors in Tier 3 under the system of zoning announced by the prime minister to the House of Commons Nov. 23.

While the UK government's winter plan essentially revisits the three-tier system in place across England before lockdown, one crucial difference to emerge is that betting shops will be treated the same as other non-essential retail, meaning they will be allowed to open, even in the most seriously affected areas.

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Horses race past empty stands at Ascot Racecourse



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One key concession offered by the gambling industry which appears to have made a difference in the UK government's thinking is a series of reinforced COVID-19 protocols for shops in Tier 3, with chairs being removed, a limit on the number of customers allowed entry at any one time, and a stop to showing any live sport.

Casinos will remain closed in Tier 3 areas but the news that all betting shops in England can reopen from next Wednesday will not only be welcomed by the companies themselves, but by those charged with looking after racing's finances.

The month-long coronavirus lockdown is estimated to have cost racing £12.5 million in lost levy and media rights payments due to the closure of all 5,681 betting shops in England.

Both the BHA and the Betting and Gaming Council lobbied Whitehall to lift the ban on shops in Tier 3.

BGC chief executive Michael Dugher said: "This is great news for our customers in communities across large parts of England and for the thousands of people employed in high street betting shops."

British racing has been conducted behind closed doors since its return to action on June 1, with the exception of two small pilot meetings at Doncaster and Warwick in September.

While much of the country is expected to be placed under revamped Tier 2 and 3 regimes when the exact geographical breakdown of the system is announced on Thursday, some form of attendance can be expected at a number of venues from Dec. 2 onwards.

"In Tiers 1 and 2, spectator sports and business events will be free to resume inside and outside, with capacity limits and social distancing," said the prime minister.

Culture secretary Oliver Dowden said on Monday: "I'm delighted we are able to get the turnstiles turning sooner than expected, taking a cautious approach and starting with the lowest risk areas first."



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“ This is more good news for racing and for our many millions of fans who have been unable to watch in person the sport they love since March.”

— NICK RUST

"I'm confident that sports will take every step to ensure their fans are safe, and fans will play their part and look out for each other until we can safely get everyone back in."

Racing is due to take place at Lingfield and Kempton on the flat next Wednesday, as well as over the jumps at Haydock and Ludlow.

Based on current levels of new infections per 100,000 people, Haydock would almost certainly have to remain behind closed doors, while it remains to be seen which tier the other three courses are placed in on Thursday.

Saturday, Dec. 5, features the Betfair Tingle Creek meeting at Sandown, which is in the borough of Elmbridge, an area with a relatively low transmission rate of 144 new cases per 100,000 people, although both London and the south-east have seen rising numbers of new infections over the last week.

Cheltenham looks unlikely to be placed in Tier 3, meaning crowds on some scale could be admitted for the two-day International Meeting Dec. 11-12.

Rust said: "This is more good news for racing and for our many millions of fans who have been unable to watch in person the sport they love since March. We know the numbers are limited to begin with and not all venues will be allowed to admit spectators, but this is progress."

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"I am confident that all our racegoers will follow the government's public health guidelines when they return to racing and this will allow us to increase the numbers attending. We have always said that racing will act responsibly and we all look forward to getting back on the track"

Racecourses look set to be the main conduits within racing for the £40 million in government emergency assistance and Armstrong was keen to stress that the return of crowds adds to the positive direction of travel for the sport.

"Following on from last week's announcement of financial support, this is a very welcome development for racecourses across England," said Armstrong.

"Even with limited numbers, racecourses can start to re open facilities for racegoers, hospitality guests, and owners. Work continues to prepare for larger-scale pilots across the sports sector and racing will continue to play a key role in this vital recovery phase."

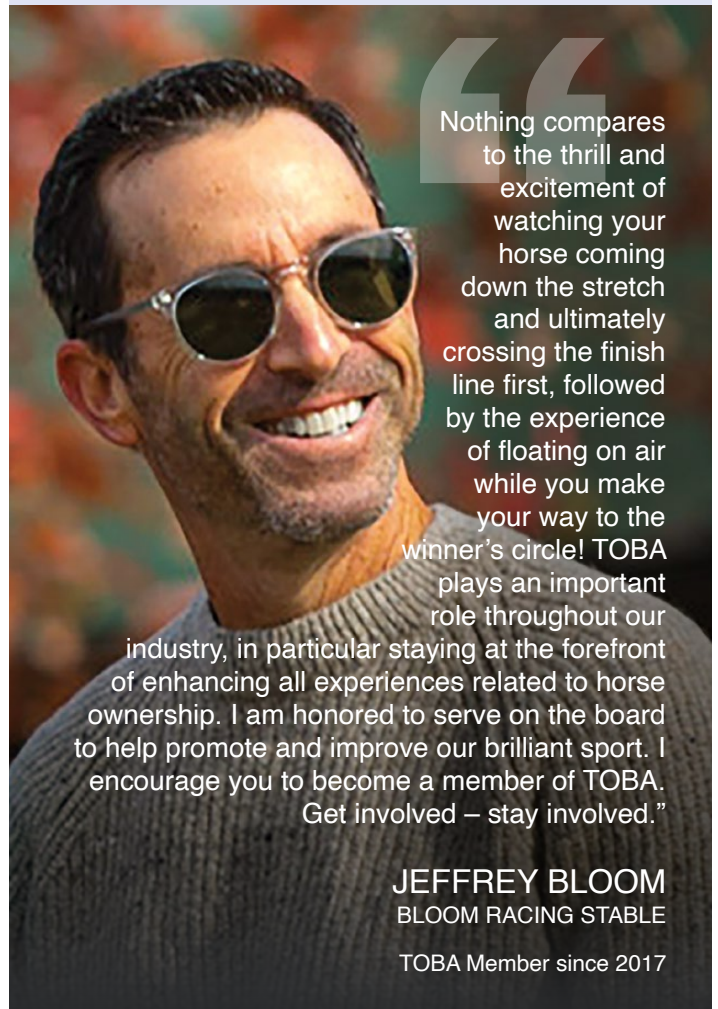
Speaking for the wider Horsemen's Group, the Racehorse Owners' Association chief executive Charlie Liverton said: "This is welcome news and a further step forward for racing after a challenging period for the sport.

"I am grateful to all those across the industry and government who have worked hard to get us to this position and look forward to constructive conversations on owner attendance at racecourses.

"Owners and other participants have played a vital role in ensuring racing could continue behind closed doors and under tight restrictions. Their support continues to be valued enormously and I very much hope all owners will be able to be back on course soon."

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KARAKA YEARLING SALE CATALOG SHOWS IMPROVED STRENGTH

By Tim Rowe/ANZ Bloodstock News

A concerted long-term commitment by New Zealand stud masters to improve the depth of the country's stallion ranks is borne out in next year's Karaka Yearling Sale, with breeders no longer needing to solely rely on the progeny of champion sire Savabeel to attract international buyers to New Zealand Bloodstock's annual yearling sale.

The catalog for the streamlined sale, released Nov. 23, features 578 lots in Book 1 and another 340 yearlings in Book 2, down from the 677-lot Book 1 and 473 lots offered in Book 2 earlier this year.

NZB also confirmed that, for the first time, the Book 3 sale will be held entirely online via the company's Gavelhouse.com online auction platform.

Andrew Seabrook, NZB's managing director, believes the depth of the 2021 January sale is as strong as it has been for some time with progeny by Reliable Man, Tavistock, and Sacred Falls performing well across Australasia during the spring.

"The investment (by stud masters) has been fantastic in the past three to five years, particularly in the staying stallions, and we had 13 first-season sires represented last January who have 2-year-olds now, so any one of those could put their hands up to be the next big stallion for New Zealand," Seabrook told ANZ Bloodstock News.

"I think we are in good stead going forward and then we have first-season sires like Almanzor and others with their first crop yearlings next year.

"The strength of the catalog is the best it has been for some time."

As would be expected, the NZB Book 1 catalog has a big representation from Savabeel (42) and the late Cambridge Stud sire Tavistock (35), as well as Ocean Park (17), Reliable Man (28), Sacred Falls (nine), and Per Incanto (21).



A horse is led to the ring at the Karaka Yearling Sale

Australia's premier stallions also figure prominently in the make-up of the 2021 catalog, with yearlings by Snitzel, I Am Invincible, Fastnet Rock, Dundee, and Pierro all being offered at Karaka.

First-season sires from both countries also have yearlings cataloged including home country stallions Almanzor, Derryn, Satono Aladdin, Time Test, War Decree, Mongolian Falcon, and What's the Story.

Gordon Cunningham, whose Curraghmore operation has sold the likes of recent Barneswood Farm 48th New Zealand One Thousand Guineas (G1) winner Kahma Lass, Aimee's Jewel, In a Twinkling, and retired group 1 winners Unforgotten and First Seal, holds his latest draft in high regard.

Among Curraghmore's draft is a Raffles-bred Pierro filly who is the second foal out of Barfoot and Thompson Auckland Cup (G1) winner and Wellfield New Zealand Oaks (G1) placegetter Rock Diva, herself a half sister to champion Australian 3-year-old filly Shamrock, a dual group 1 winner.

"We've always had plenty of confidence that there will be good horses to come from each crop on our farm and the draft we'll take to Karaka in January will be no exception," Cunningham said.

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"The international trainers and owners have come over here for years and sourced good horses, so they know that buying horses at Karaka for their stable is part and parcel of their success going forward, so I have got no doubt that they will be operating again next year."

To help make it easier for international buyers to participate, particularly those in Asia, selling on each of the four days from Jan. 24-28 will start at 1 p.m. New Zealand time.

Last week's NZB Ready to Run Sale was also conducted in the same time slot and feedback from buyers ensured the status quo was maintained.

The success of the Karaka sale relies heavily on the international market, particularly Australian owners and trainers, and despite the likelihood that a travel bubble between the two countries will not be in place in time for next year's sale, Seabrook remains

confident that the company can attract a competitive overseas market.

"We don't see any reason why that won't be the case in January. Karaka is still the place to buy those good, tough, sound middle-distance horses and staying horses, and we have got so many stallions performing well at the moment," Seabrook said.

"There is no reason why the Australians won't be active. The other thing in our favor in January is that the pinhookers walked away last week a lot more confident than we were heading into the sale. Normally, when the Ready to Run Sale is strong, the yearling sale in January follows on as well.

"I am not saying it is going to be up on this year—that would be foolish of me—but what happened last week does give me a bit more confidence."

The release of the NZB Karaka catalog comes soon after Australian auction houses Magic Millions and Inglis released their catalogs for the Gold Coast and Classic Yearling sales respectively.

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The international trainers and owners have come over here for years and sourced good horses, so they know that buying horses at Karaka for their stable is part and parcel of their success going forward.”

—GORDON CUNNINGHAM



RACE RESULTS

WATCH REPLAYS BY CLICKING ON THE RACE NAME

BLACK TYPE STAKES

Steel Valley Sprint S.

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, 11/23, \$200,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:10.07, track muddy.

- 1–**Vertical Threat**, 118, b c, 3.....\$112,800
Tapiture–Viola Blew By, by **Omega Code**
0–MyRacehorse.com and Slam Dunk Racing, B–Albert Davis & Teresa Davis (KY), T–Richard Baltas, J–Heriberto Figueroa
Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, \$100,000, 2018 KEESEP, (\$47,000 RNA), 2018 OBSJAN, \$50,000.



- 2–**Williston Way**, 118, dk b/br c, 3 \$37,600
Cigar Street–Distal Daughter, by Mister

Phone (ARG)
0–Thomas J. Young, B–Thomas J. Young (KY), T–Billy Hardin, J–T. D. Houghton
3–**Flatter Me Please**, 120, ch c, 3. \$18,800
Flatter–Please Be Discreet, by **Discreet Cat**
0–Charlie J. Williams LLC, B–Hinkle Farms (KY), T–Silvano M. Gonzalez, J–Hector Berrios
Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, \$65,000, 2018 KEESEP, \$50,000.

Margins: 7½, head, 6½. **Others:** Night Time (\$9,400), Relentless Dancer (\$5,640), Chief Randal (\$3,760), Try Try Again (\$2,000), Jamaican Magic (\$2,000), Dark Oak (\$2,000), Nano (\$2,000), Scared Warrior (\$2,000), Fore Left (\$2,000).
Scratched: Golden Candy, Shashashakemeup.
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Cary Grant S.

Del Mar, 11/22, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:22.34, track fast.

- 1–**Loud Mouth**, 122, dk b/br c, 4 ..\$57,000
Boisterous–Drama Cat, by **Tale of the Cat**

0–Thomsen Racing, LLC, B–Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA), T–Steve Knapp, J–Abel Cedillo
2–**Take the One 0 One**, 122, dk b/br h, 5.. \$19,000
Acclamation–North Freeway, by Jump Start
0–Jay Em Ess Stable, B–Thomas W Bachman (CA), T–Brian J. Koriner, J–Jose Valdivia, Jr.
Sale History: 2016 NCAAUG, \$47,000.
3–**Rookie Mistake**, 118, ch c, 3\$12,000
Square Eddie–Meetmeinth Woods, by General Meeting
0–Reddam Racing LLC, B–Reddam Racing, LLC (CA), T–Doug F. O'Neill, J–Mario Gutierrez
Margins: ¾, 3½, ½. **Others:** Galilean (\$6,000), El Tigre Terrible (\$4,000), Oliver (\$2,000), Bettor Trip Nick (\$500). **Scratched:** Appreciated, Brickyard Ride, Surfing Star. [View Equibase Chart](#)



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Loud Mouth wins the Cary Grant Stakes at Del Mar



RACE RESULTS

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Del Mar, Race 7, AOC

11/22, \$59,000, 3yo, 8f (turf), 1:35.26, course firm.
1—**Rip City**, 120, gr/ro g, 3, City Zip—Sikara (IRE), by Aussie Rules, \$35,400, O—Little Red Feather Racing and Sterling Stables, LLC, B—Darwin Krenz (KY), T—Mike Puype, J—Mario Gutierrez
Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, \$150,000, 2018 KEESEP, \$62,000, 2017 KEENOV, \$27,000.
Margin: head, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Hawthorne, Race 6, AOC

11/22, \$23,000, 3yo/up, 6.5f (dirt), 1:16.49, track fast.
1—**Malpais**, 121, dk b/br g, 4, **Hard Spun**—D' Elegance, by El Corredor, \$13,800, O—Francisco Villa, B—Connie Snyder & Richard Snyder (KY), T—Rodolfo Aguilar, J—Diego Sanchez
Sale History: 2017 KEESEP, (\$65,000 RNA).
Margin: 4½, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Hawthorne, Race 7, AOC

11/22, \$25,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:10.13, track fast.
1—**Devileye**, 121, b g, 6, **Indygo Shiner**—Deville, by Pétionville, \$21,000, O—S. D. Brilie, Ltd. Partnership, B—S. D. Brilie, L.P. (IL), T—Michele Boyce, J—Edgar Perez
Margin: ½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 1, ALW

11/23, \$29,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:43.82, track muddy.
1—**Ma Kettle**, 122, ch f, 3, **Kettle Corn**—Cindy Cata, by **Cowtown Cat**, \$17,400, O—Strike Plate LLC, B—Danny R Bird (OH), T—Danny R. Bird, J—T. D. Houghton
Margin: ½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 9, ALW

11/23, \$35,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:43.28, track fast.
1—**Hibachi**, 118, b g, 3, **Japan**—Dreaming of Rose, by **Fusaichi Pegasus**, \$21,000, O—Nicholas Cammarano, Jr., B—Cynthia Darrah—Hipple (PA), T—Guadalupe Preciado, J—John Bisono
Margin: 2½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Remington Park, Race 9, AOC

11/23, \$32,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:09.77, track fast.
1—**Direct Dial**, 119, gr/ro h, 5, **Too Much Bling**—Fast

Find, by **Mineshaft**, \$19,200, O—W.S. Farish, B—W. S. Farish (TX), T—Danny Pish, J—Lane J. Luzzi
Sale History: 2016 TEXAUG, \$105,000.
Margin: 2¼, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Remington Park, Race 10, ALW

11/23, \$38,250, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:17.28, track fast.
1—**Dipping In**, 119, b f, 3, **Lea**—Soloing, by Runaway Groom, \$22,023, O—Ron Stolich, B—Center Hills Farm (OK), T—H. Ray Ashford, Jr., J—Ramon A. Vazquez
Sale History: 2019 OBSJUN, \$80,000, 2019 OBSAPR, (\$47,000 RNA), 2017 KEENOV, \$85,000.



Margin: 4, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

MAIDEN RESULTS

Del Mar, Race 9, MCL

11/22, \$34,000, 2yo, f, 8f (turf), 1:36.66, course firm.
1—**Derby Quest**, 122, dk b/br f, 2, **Nyquist**—Explainable, by Dynaformer, \$20,400, O—Derby, Susan and Folgner, Gary, B—Don Alberto Corporation (KY), T—Ruben Gomez, J—Geovanni Franco
Sale History: 2020 OBSMAR, \$25,000, 2019 KEESEP, (\$65,000 RNA).
Margin: 2½, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 2, MSW

11/23, \$27,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:14.15, track muddy.
1—**Deb's All Out**, 124, dk b/br f, 3, **Flat Out**—Impatient Lady, by Pleasant Tap, \$16,500, O—Wesley Singleton, B—Steve M DeMaio & Brian Raimonde (OH), T—Donald L. Radcliff, Jr., J—Erik Barbaran
Margin: 1½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 7, MSW

11/23, \$27,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:16.57, track muddy.
1—**Wherethere'ssmoke**, 126, gr/ro f, 4, **Louie Villain**—Smokin Ban, by Smoke Glacken, \$16,500, O—Harold

L. Brown, B—Dr. Harold L. Brown (OH), T—Rachael Maddox, J—Diogdinabi Smith
Margin: 2½, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 9, MSW

11/23, \$20,000, 2yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:14.27, track muddy.
1—**Itzafriendshipshot**, 117, dk b/br f, 2, **Daaher**—Hurricane Kitten, by **Tale of the Cat**, \$11,800, O—W. Mike Anderson, B—Two Tone Farms (KY), T—Jason DaCosta, J—Yarmarie L. Correa
Sale History: 2020 OBSJUN, \$6,000.
Margin: 5¾, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 3, MCL

11/23, \$30,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:12.20, track good.
1—**First Citizen**, 121, b g, 3, **Proud Citizen**—First Circle, by Langfuhr, \$18,000, O—Jagger Inc., B—Bretton C. Jones (KY), T—Jamie Ness, J—Jeremy Laprida
Sale History: 2018 KEESEP, (\$17,000 RNA).
Margin: 2, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 7, MSW

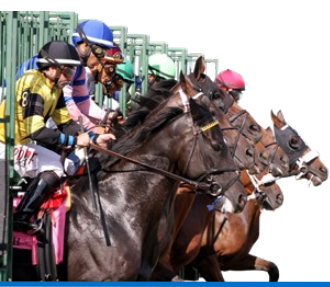
11/23, \$40,000, 2yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:12.58, track fast.
1—**Salt Plage**, 119, b f, 2, **Quality Road**—French Satin, by **French Deputy**, \$24,000, O—Alpha Delta Stables, B—Alpha Delta Stables, LLC (KY), T—Linda Rice, J—Angel Castillo
Margin: 2½, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Remington Park, Race 5, MSW

11/23, \$29,000, 3/4/5yo, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.01, track fast.
1—**Southside Swig**, 121, b g, 3, **Dialed In**—Ready Set Dance, by **Ready's Image**, \$17,298, O—Dream Walkin Farms, Inc., B—Dream Walkin' Farms, Inc. (KY), T—Kenny P. Smith, J—Richard E. Eramia
Sale History: 2018 KEESEP, (\$190,000 RNA).



Margin: ¾, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)



TODAY'S ENTRIES

B-CONNECTED S.

Delta Downs, Tuesday, November 24, Race 8
7f (dirt), \$60,000, 3yo/up, 4:07 PM (local)

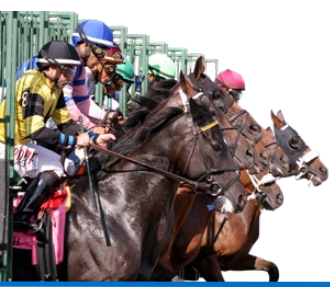
P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Jax Man	Goldencents	3/g	Ty Kennedy	115	15/1	Alston Thoroughbreds, LLC (Jefferies V. Alston, Jr.) E. Hernandez, K. Hernandez and J. Duvieilh
2	2	Nippy Red	Redding Colliery	5/g	Jose Andres Guerrero	118	12/1	Patti Turner
3	3	Whatdatpay Ray	Zarbyev	5/g	Alexander Castillo	118	30/1	Garland Goins
4	4	Zenucci	Forefathers	6/g	Timothy Thornton	120	10/1	End Zone Athletics Inc. (Karl Broberg and Matt Johanson)
5	5	Social Afleet	Northern Afleet	3/c	Ry Eikleberry	115	6/1	Kirk Rovinsky
6	6	Jus Lively	Paddy O'Prado	4/c	Joel Dominguez	118	9/2	Pine Knoll Farm
7	7	Big Boy Dave Rex	Ruler's Court	5/g	Eguard Andres Tejera	120	15/1	Juan Larrosa
8	8	Speaktomeoflove	Run Away and Hide	3/g	Joe Stokes	115	12/1	Benard K. Chatters
9	9	Bistraya	Haynesfield	7/g	Gerardo Mora	118	5/1	Thomas L. Holyfield
10	10	Scarlettsblackjack	Malibu Wesley	5/g	Diego Saenz	118	5/2	Leadem Farm, Inc. (Tyree and Robert Wolensensky)
11	11	Arctic Rose	Half Ours	3/g	Gerard Melancon	115	15/1	OM Racing Stable , LLC (Oscar Modica)
12	12	Gracida	Custom for Carlos	5/g	Devin H. Magnon	120	20/1	Theodore Arndt

Breeders: 1–Earl Hernandez & Keith Hernandez; 2–J. Adcock; 3–Garland Goins & Andre Simpson; 4–Rowell Farms, LLC; 5–Tom Curtis & Wayne Simpson; 6–Pine Knoll Farm; 7–J. E. Nichols; 8–Benard Chatters; 9–Avalon Farms, Inc.; 10–J R Stables LLC; 11–Oak Leaf Farm TCLP; 12–Curt Leake & Elm Tree Farm , LLC.

Trainers: 1–Sam B. David, Jr.; 2–Patti Turner; 3–Garland Goins; 4–Karl Broberg; 5–Sarah Delany; 6–Steven M. Asmussen; 7–Juan A. Larrosa; 8–Benard Chatters; 9–David Gomez; 10–Thomas M. Amoss; 11–Oscar Modica; 12–Theodore Arndt.



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UPCOMING ENTRIES

CARDINAL H.

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Friday, November 27, Race 5
6f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo/up, 2:36 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Buckeye Bullet	Dark Kestrel	7/g	Erik Barbaran	121	-	Ruberto Racing Stable, Inc.
2		Golden Money	Goldencents	3/g	Yarmarie L. Correa	114	-	Edwin Mundo
3		Private Drive	Bellamy Road	4/g	David J. Haldar	111	-	Oscar Romero
4		Altissimo	Noble Causeway	7/g	T. D. Houghton	120	-	Nancy Lavrich and Ronald Zielinski
5		Midnight Mikey	Dark Kestrel	5/g	Erik Barbaran	113	-	Ruberto Racing Stable, Inc.
6		Mo Dont No	Uncle Mo	7/g	Luis Raul Rivera	123	-	Ron Paolucci Racing, LLC
7		It's Official	Flat Out	3/g	Christian P. Pilares	113	-	Marion F. Gorham

Breeders: 1—Mr. & Mrs. Louis V. Ruberto Jr.; 2—Peter Sheppell & K. C. Garret Farm; 3—Blazing Meadows Farm LLC & WinStar Farm, LLC; 4—Nancy J Lavrich & Niknar Farm LLC; 5—Mr. & Mrs. Louis V. Ruberto Jr.; 6—Beechwood Racing Stable; 7—R Gorham.

Trainers: 1—Louis V. Ruberto, Jr.; 2—Nestor Rivera; 3—Lorenzo Juarez; 4—Richard Zielinski; 5—Louis V. Ruberto, Jr.; 6—Gary L. Johnson; 7—Robert M. Gorham.

FIRST LADY S.

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Friday, November 27, Race 7
6f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo f, 3:33 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Calusa Queen	Shackelford	3/f	Luis Raul Rivera	120	-	Michael L. Rone
2		Speak Lightly	Mr Speaker	3/f	Erik Barbaran	120	-	Ruberto Racing Stable, Inc.
3		Jersey Bounce	Jersey Town	3/f	T. D. Houghton	120	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC
4		Windy Lu Who	Justin Phillip	3/f	Luan Machado	120	-	Pocket Aces Racing LLC and Susan Anderson Racing, LLC
5		Heaven Sent Angel	Mobil	3/f	Fernando Salazar Becerra	120	-	Catherine Angelo
6		Diva Power	Global Power	3/f	Yarmarie L. Correa	120	-	Ron Paolucci Racing, LLC
7		Aiken Apple	Aikenite	3/f	Hector Berrios	118	-	Holly Delaney
8		Nan's Rose	Professor Fate	3/f	Omar Hernandez	118	-	Susan D. Yoder
9		She's Crafty	Flat Out	3/f	Juan J. L. Velez	120	-	Poe Racing Stable LLC and Double Down Racing
10		Edge of Night	Added Edge	3/f	Christian P. Pilares	122	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC

Breeders: 1—Steve M DeMaiolo; 2—Mr. & Mrs. Louis Ruberto Jr.; 3—R. Gorham & Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; 4—Susan Anderson Racing LLC; 5—Carol Duncan & Daryl Duncan; 6—Looch Racing Stables; 7—W. John Bourke; 8—Susan Yoder; 9—Poe Racing Stable & Wynn Blanton; 10—Steve M DeMaiolo.

Trainers: 1—Michael L. Rone; 2—Louis V. Ruberto, Jr.; 3—Robert M. Gorham; 4—Susan L. Anderson; 5—Nabu Morales; 6—Gary L. Johnson; 7—Richard Zielinski; 8—Lori D. Yoder; 9—Robert Guciardo; 10—Robert M. Gorham.

JEAN LAFITTE S.

Delta Downs, Monday, November 30, Race 7
7f (dirt), \$100,000, 2yo, 3:39 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Drewhustle	Outwork	2/c	Devin H. Magnon	110	-	Norman Stables, LLC (Robert A. Norman)
2		Privet Moon	Malibu Moon	2/c	Diego Saenz	115	-	Juddmonte Farms, Inc. (Khaled Abdullah)
3		Drain the Clock	Maclean's Music	2/c	Heriberto Figueroa	117	-	Slam Dunk Racing
4		Awesome Gerry	Liam's Map	2/c	Timothy Thornton	115	-	Fanelli, John, Cash is King LLC, LC Racing LLC, Braverman, Paul and Pinch, Timothy
5		Generator	Hard Spun	2/c	Joel Dominguez	113	-	Winchell Thoroughbreds, LLC (Ron and Joan Winchell)
6		Dyn O Mite	Goldencents	2/c	Gerard Melancon	115	-	Bradley Allshouse
7		Saint Scotty	Court Vision	2/c	Hector Del-Cid	115	-	Eldon Hall

Breeders: 1—Cloyce C. Clark Jr.; 2—Juddmonte Farms Inc; 3—Nick Cosato; 4—John Liviakis; 5—Green Lantern Stables, LLC; 6—Thoroughbred Acadiana; 7—I. Lee Lange.

Trainers: 1—Lonnie Briley; 2—Brad H. Cox; 3—Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; 4—Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; 5—Steven M. Asmussen; 6—J. Keith Desormeaux; 7—Eldon Hall.