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FOREVER YOUNG JUMPS TO LEAD IN JAPAN ROAD TO KY DERBY

By Bob Kieckhefer

Forever Young said goodbye to his 11 rivals and hello to Kentucky Derby (G1) speculation at the top of the straight in the Dec. 13 Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun.

The race was the second of four in the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby, a series that offers the ultimate top point-getter a guaranteed spot in the Churchill Downs starting gate on the first Saturday in May. The win left the Real Steel colt and his Derby-minded connections atop that leaderboard.

Forever Young remains undefeated after three starts, all on dirt tracks. The latest victory left an impression as jockey Ryusei Sakai raced just behind the early leader



Forever Young wins the Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun at Kawasaki Racecourse

after crossing over from the outside gate, gave Forever Young one tap with the whip about 100 meters from home, looked back over his shoulder to find no one there and cruised home first by seven lengths.

"Around the far turn and at the top of the stretch we had pretty

much confidence," Sakai said. "I did not think we would be winning by that big a margin. He is a very nice colt, and there appears to be many more things we would be looking forward to."

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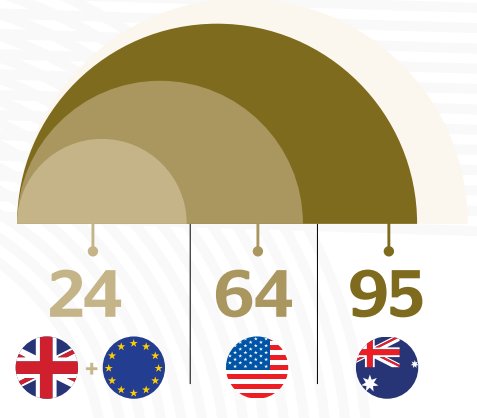
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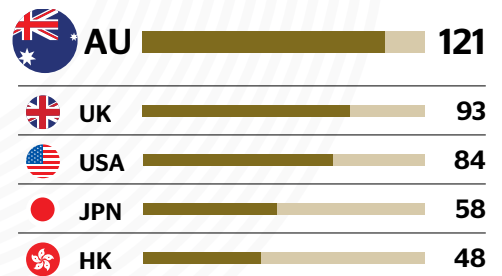
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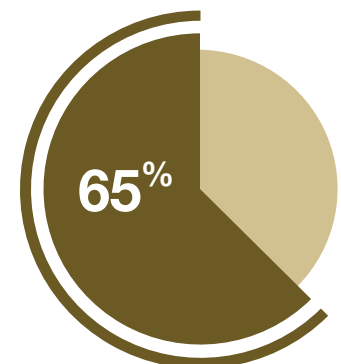


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Aigle Noir was second, 2 1/2 lengths ahead of Saint Honore. The race was conducted at Kawasaki Racecourse, a venue administered by local governments through the National Association of Racing. Both Forever Young and Saint Honore were visitors from the Japan Racing Association ranks.

Forever Young won at first asking Oct. 14 at Kyoto Racecourse, then won the JBC Nisai Yushun at Mombetsu Racecourse Nov. 3. In the latter, he rallied from far off the pace and won going away by 1 1/2 lengths.

While the "Japan Road" series struggled through most of its short history to make an impact on the Triple Crown, the 2022-23 season was a breakthrough, and Forever Young's connections would seem to indicate that trend will continue.

Derma Sotogake won the 2022 Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun and then qualified for the Kentucky Derby by winning the UAE Derby (G2) in Dubai. He finished sixth in the Run for the Roses and then, off a six-month layoff, finished second behind White Abarrio in the Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) at Santa Anita Park.

Forever Young, owned by Susumu Fujita, is trained by Yoshito Yahagi, recognized internationally as "the man in the hat" for his colorful headgear even before he trained the first two Japanese-based Breeder's Cup winners, Loves Only You and Marche Lorraine in 2021.

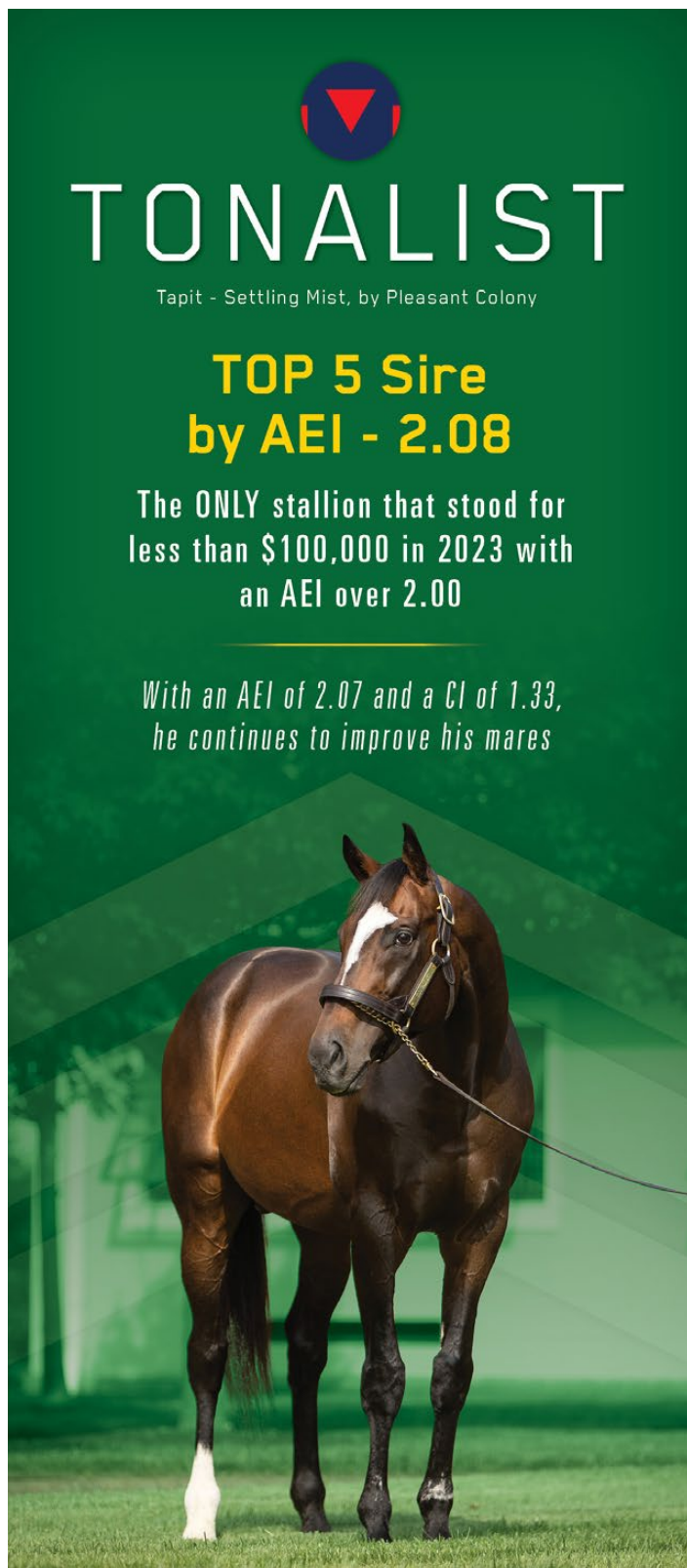
Yahagi also trained Continuar, who qualified for the 2023 Kentucky Derby through the "Japan Road." That colt was withdrawn shortly before the race when Yahagi decided he was not sufficiently fit for the 1 1/4-mile challenge. His training at Churchill Downs had been uninspiring.

But the ever-positive trainer made no secret of his hope to return to Louisville.

"I am very sorry that I cannot participate in the world's No. 1 horse racing festival," he said at the time. "However, I sincerely hope to return to the Derby in the future. I want to thank everyone who has supported Continuar and Yahagi Stable on this journey."

Yahagi indicated after the race at Kawasaki that Forever Young could be a ticket to an early return to Kentucky.

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"Many people expect us to be racing internationally, and of course that is the possible option," he said. "There is another option to race him in Japan aiming for Dirt Triple Crown, and I understand many people expect us to go to Kentucky Derby.

"Of course, the Kentucky Derby is my dream, but we will make a decision after talking with the owner. Yes, I will continue to train this horse so that we would not disappoint the expectation of many people, which includes running him in the international circuits."

Winning owner Fujita also owns, and Yahagi trains, Shin Emperor, a full brother to Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (G1) winner Sottsass, who is 2-for-2 in his inaugural season. With Forever Young, the pair thus have early but legitimate candidates for the Kentucky Derby and either the Japanese Derby (G1) or Epsom Derby (G1).

Shin Emperor is expected to get his first top-level test in the Hopeful Stakes (G1) at Nakayama Race Course Dec. 28.



KATSUMI SATO

A victorious Forever Young is honored after the Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun at Kawasaki Racecourse

None of the horses who competed in the first leg of the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby returned for the Kawasaki race. White colt Amante Bianco won the first race, earning 10 points, and trails Forever Young, who got 20 points for his victory.

The series continues with the Hyacinth Stakes Feb. 18 at Tokyo Racecourse, with 30 points to the winner, and wraps up March 12 with the Fukuryu Stakes at Nakayama. The winner there gets 40 points. **BH**

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1	Pioneerof the Nile, '06, (Empire Maker) Died, 2019	134 / 77	14 / 10.4%	23 / 17.2%	5 / 1	1.72	Matareya \$602,650	\$7,130,518
2	Gun Runner, '13, (Candy Ride) Three Chimneys Farm, KY, Private	200 / 104	16 / 8.0%	34 / 17.0%	12 / 3	3.05	Gunite \$1,477,075	\$16,989,542
3	Justify, '15, (Scat Daddy) Ashford Stud, KY, \$100,000	169 / 67	15 / 8.9%	27 / 16.0%	10 / 6	1.91	Just F Y I \$1,317,750	\$9,283,235
4	Omaha Beach, '16, (War Front) Spendthrift Farm, KY, \$30,000	58 / 21	2 / 3.4%	9 / 15.5%	0 / 0	1.04	Hot Beach \$171,695	\$1,860,522
5	Girvin, '14, (Tale of Ekati) Airdrie Stud, KY, \$25,000	90 / 54	8 / 8.9%	13 / 14.4%	3 / 0	1.49	Damon's Mound \$511,490	\$4,297,106
6	City of Light, '14, (Quality Road) Lane's End, KY, \$60,000	120 / 46	4 / 3.3%	17 / 14.2%	2 / 1	1.47	Fierceness \$1,102,750	\$5,679,039
7	Bolt d'Oro, '15, (Medaglia d'Oro) Spendthrift Farm, KY, \$35,000	160 / 81	8 / 5.0%	22 / 13.8%	4 / 1	1.33	Major Dude \$590,462	\$6,965,863
8	Army Mule, '14, (Friesan Fire) Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY, \$12,500	104 / 57	7 / 6.7%	14 / 13.5%	2 / 1	1.47	One in Vermillion \$564,220	\$5,096,412
9	Audible, '15, (Into Mischief) WinStar Farm, KY, \$25,000	61 / 17	2 / 3.3%	8 / 13.1%	0 / 0	0.86	My Mane Squeeze \$183,960	\$1,493,969
10	War Front, '02, (Danzig) Claiborne Farm, KY, \$100,000	154 / 70	12 / 7.8%	19 / 12.3%	9 / 0	2.00	Ancient Rome \$1,298,009	\$7,636,692
11	Arrogate, '13, (Unbridled's Song) Died, 2020	161 / 78	12 / 7.5%	19 / 11.8%	9 / 1	1.95	Arcangelo \$1,742,300	\$9,452,090
12	Lemon Drop Kid, '96, (Kingmambo) Pnsd	95 / 44	7 / 7.4%	11 / 11.6%	4 / 1	1.58	Lemon Pop \$1,862,247	\$4,501,944
13	Good Magic, '15, (Curlin) Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY, \$50,000	148 / 70	12 / 8.1%	17 / 11.5%	5 / 2	1.89	Mage \$2,507,450	\$9,245,854
14	Into Mischief, '05, (Harlan's Holiday) Spendthrift Farm, KY, \$250,000	450 / 203	26 / 5.8%	51 / 11.3%	14 / 6	2.00	Pretty Mischievous \$1,703,250	\$24,708,815
-	Uncle Mo, '08, (Indian Charlie) Ashford Stud, KY, \$150,000	310 / 148	14 / 4.5%	35 / 11.3%	5 / 3	1.58	Arabian Knight \$1,458,250	\$15,677,826

Listed above are the 2023 leading sires by % of black-type performers (from number of starters) with 53 starters or more (based on the top 80% of stallions by starters), through December 12, 2023. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2019 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2023 Northern Hemisphere only.

KENTUCKY SENATOR THAYER WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION

By Frank Angst
 X @BH_FAngst

Kentucky Senate Majority Floor Leader Damon Thayer, a Republican from Georgetown who has championed horse racing during his more than two decades representing his district, has decided to not run for re-election.

His term as Kentucky's 17th District Senator, which has included a decade serving as Majority Floor Leader, will conclude in December 2024.

"I have decided not to seek re-election to the state Senate in 2024," Thayer said. "The end of my current term next year will mark 22 years in the Senate and 12 as Majority Floor Leader. After conversations with my adult children, close friends and colleagues, I have concluded this is the right decision."

Thayer said there are some exciting private-sector opportunities he wishes to pursue.

Senate President Robert Stivers, a Republican from Manchester, acknowledged Thayer's service.

"Senator Damon Thayer has brought such conviction and passion to creating conservative legislation in Kentucky for over 22 years," Stivers said. "I value and came to rely on the energy he poured into Senate floor activity day after day. Damon shepherded sound policy through the process, creating a business-friendly environment that's materialized in the job growth we are seeing today. The commonwealth is better because of Damon Thayer and the Senate will miss him greatly."



Kentucky Senator Damon Thayer

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Thayer was a driving force in supporting 2021 legislation that specifically allowed historical horse racing in the state. The pari-mutuel machines have helped drive a massive increase in purses in Kentucky. In 2009 Thayer worked to pass legislation that shifted tax money generated by the industry back into racing and breeding, supporting the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, equine drug testing, and additional purse money.

Thayer, who had worked for Turfway Park and Breeders' Cup and currently owns Thoroughbreds, also supported the addition of sports gambling in Kentucky, as the legislation paved the way for brick-and-mortar locations at Kentucky's tracks earlier this year. As the Senate's leading supporter of sports betting, which was passed during the 2023 legislation session, Thayer was jointly named the recipient of the American Gambling Awards' Policymaker of the Year Award alongside Rep. Michael Meredith for

their instrumental roles in enacting sports betting legislation, House Bill 551. Recent reports indicate tax revenue generated from sports betting will outpace the \$23 million the state had anticipated.

Also, Thayer served multiple terms on Kentucky's Equine Drug Research Council, which funds research projects as well as testing of equine drugs. Additionally, the KEDRC advises the racing commission and makes recommendations for establishing an effective drug regulatory policy for Kentucky racing.

"I have accomplished most of the political and policy goals I set out to achieve," Thayer said of his time in the Senate. "I am grateful to the residents of the 17th district who granted me the honor of representing them in the Senate, and to my colleagues in the GOP caucus for the privilege of being their Majority Leader." **BH**

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RETIRED SANTA ANITA PADDOCK CAPTAIN SHEAR DIES AT 102

By Byron King
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John Shear, the award-winning paddock captain at Santa Anita Park who retired in 2020 after six decades of service to the California racing industry, died Dec. 12 from natural causes at age 102, according to a social media post from his family.

"He had that smile and happiness 'til the end," his family wrote across multiple social media platforms, including X. "John had a remarkable life with love for family and dedication to work that made such a positive impact on so many. He will forever be in our hearts."

Shear, honored by the National Turf Writers and Broadcasters with its Mr. Fitz Award in 2021 for typifying the spirit of racing, famously risked his life in 2011 in his position overseeing the paddock at Santa Anita when he placed himself between a loose horse and a child—resulting in multiple fractures and life-threatening internal bleeding.

But he recovered and returned to work, maintaining his presence as one of Santa Anita's most recognizable and popular employees.

"John will be deeply missed by countless lifelong friends here at Santa Anita," said Nate Newby, Santa Anita senior vice president and general manager. "We were honored to have him as part of the Santa Anita family for more than 60 years of dedicated service, and we'll never forget him."

Santa Anita honored him two years ago by renaming the Santana Mile the John Shear Mile.

Orphaned at a young age in his native England, Shear sustained a shoulder injury while serving in an anti-aircraft unit during World War II. Shear later wished to be jockey as a young man before emigrating to Canada to work as an exercise rider and later an assistant trainer.

In an interview before his 99th birthday in January 2020, Shear described his move to California.

"I was exercising horses for a guy in Vancouver (in 1954), and he asked me if I'd like to go with him to Santa Anita that fall," said Shear, as quoted in a press release by Santa Anita Park in announcing the stakes race in his honor. "I said, 'Sure,' and as soon as I stepped off that van in the stable area here, I said, 'Lord, this is where I want to be.' The place was so incredibly beautiful, and I've never gotten tired of it."

Light and around five feet in height, Shear stayed

healthy past his 100th birthday, maintaining a daily exercise regimen that included push-ups.

He is survived by his wife, Diane, and their son, Michael, who said the family would have a private ceremony in honor of his father in the near future. **BH**

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—NATE NEWBY



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John Shear

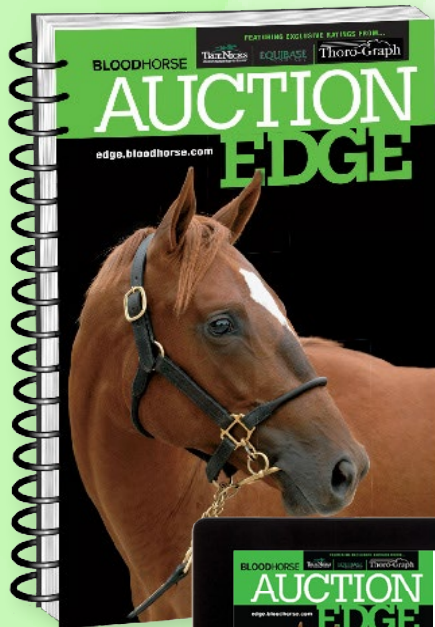
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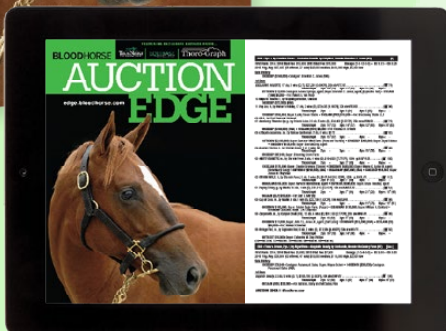
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Racing at Golden Gate Fields

Golden Gate Fields, which track owner 1/ST Racing is closing in mid-2024, will operate with sharply reduced purses when it opens for its winter/spring meet Dec. 26.

Maiden races, contested for \$30,000 during the start of the previous winter/spring meet, will have a purse of \$22,500 (plus up to \$6,750 for California-breds), with allowance purses somewhat higher.

Claiming races are worth between \$10,000-\$20,500.

The Northern California track plans to run only two stakes: the \$100,000 El Camino Real Derby Feb. 10 at 1 1/8 miles on Tapeta for 3-year-olds and the \$175,000 San Francisco Mile Stakes (G3T) on turf April 26.

The El Camino Real Derby winner will continue to earn paid entry into the Preakness Stakes (G1) at Pimlico Race Course in the spring. Pimlico is another 1/ST Racing track. Rombauer won both races in 2021.

The El Camino Real Derby was also worth \$100,000 in 2023. The San Francisco Mile, captured this year by Southern California invader Balnikhov, was worth \$250,000.

The cuts of approximately 25% are due to a longstanding overpayment of the purse account, the Thoroughbred Daily News first reported over the weekend. Thoroughbred Owners of California president and CEO Bill Nader told TDN that wagering was down in 2023, and 1/ST Racing wanted to cut purses last fall, which the TOC resisted. California tracks do not have gaming to supplement purses.

The condition book and stakes schedule are online.

Racing on the Northern California fair circuit is planned next summer. **BH**

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Edited Press Release



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(L-R): Tom Rooney, president and CEO of the NTRA, is interviewed at the Eclipse Awards by FanDuel TV's Todd Schrupp

The National Thoroughbred Racing Association announced Dec. 13 that FanDuel will be joining John Deere, Keeneland, and The Jockey Club as presenting sponsors of the 53rd Annual Eclipse Awards, honoring Thoroughbred racing's champions of 2023, which will be held Jan. 25, 2024, at The Breakers Palm Beach in Florida.

"We are extremely grateful to our newest presenting sponsor FanDuel in joining John Deere, Keeneland, and The Jockey Club to partner with the NTRA in presenting the Eclipse Awards to the whole of the Thoroughbred racing industry," said Tom Rooney, president and CEO of the NTRA. "Together with our other many supportive partners, we are excited to bring the Eclipse Awards back to the Breakers Palm Beach for the second consecutive year to celebrate another exhilarating year of racing."

FanDuel will also broadcast live the Eclipse Awards ceremony Jan. 25.

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Information about the Eclipse Awards, including host hotels, can be found at <https://www.ntra.com/eclipse-awards/>. Hotel room blocks will be closing in the coming weeks, so please secure your accommodation soon. Should you have any questions please reach out to Michele Ravencraft at mravencraft@ntra.com.

*This press release has been edited for content and style by BloodHorse Staff. **BH***

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WINNER BREEZE EASY TOPS F-T DECEMBER DIGITAL SALE

Edited Press Release

The December Digital Sale closed Dec. 12 with 186 horses sold for \$3,167,000. The catalog, the largest ever offered on the platform, featured broodmares, horses of racing age, broodmare prospects, yearlings, weanlings, and a stallion share in and lifetime breeding right to first-crop sire Flameaway.

Four-year-old race filly Breeze Easy (Hip 310) topped the sale when sold for \$180,000 to Glenn Burrows from the consignment of St George Sales. Fresh off an allowance win Dec. 8 at Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots, Breeze Easy is a graded stakes-placed daughter of Bated Breath and has earned just shy of \$200,000 to date racing in England, Ireland, and the United States. Out of the winning Royal Academy mare Polar Circle, Breeze Easy is a half sister to group 2-placed and group 3 stakes winner Arctic Sound.

KBS went to \$150,000 to secure the sale's second-highest-priced offering, Googol Joke (Hip 32), a 2-year-old son of Practical Joke consigned by Greenfield Farms. A maiden winner last time out at Fair Grounds, Googol Joke came into the sale with one win and one third from two career starts and earnings of \$35,978.

Rounding out the top three prices of the sale was Sherif Ali (Hip 12), a 2-year-old gelding by American Pharoah, sold for \$115,000 to Jonathan Green from the consignment of Taylor Made Sales Agency. Sherif Ali broke his maiden on debut at Woodbine in October and came into the sale off a good second in allowance company on the same track shortly after bidding opened Thursday. The gelding has a record of one win and one second from two lifetime starts and earnings of \$29,628.

"This was a 'slam dunk' to close out the year. I'm very happy with the results," said Fasig-Tipton director of digital sales Leif Aaron. "The number of entries, registered bidders, and gross all exceeded previous records for our digital sales. We got the stallion share and lifetime breeding right done. We did in a week online what normally takes sales companies, stud farms, and buyers 60 days. I'm very proud of that and proud of our team at Fasig-Tipton."

Paul Manganaro, seller of Por Que No (Hip 309), in foal to Constitution, sees advantages to such sales.

"The flexibility and ease of the process was great, and my mare never had to leave her stall on the farm. I am still amazed that it took only five short days from the time I called Fasig to the time my mare sold," Manganaro said. "I see the many benefits that digital sales can have for both sellers and buyers, and I will make sure digital sales are part of my plan going forward."

More than 700 users registered to bid, with buyers in 27 states and another three countries. Full results are available [online](#).

The next Fasig-Tipton digital sale will be the February Digital Sale, which opens for bidding Feb. 15 and closes Feb. 20. Nominations are being accepted. Visit digital.fasigtipton.com for details.

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Breeze Easy offered as Hip 310 in the Fasig-Tipton December Digital Sale

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BHA VOWS TO TACKLE BULLYING, SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

By Scott Burton/Racing Post

Almost half of more than 350 reported incidents investigated by British racing's safeguarding department since 2018 have been concerned with either sexual misconduct or bullying, it was revealed Dec. 13.

BHA chair Joe Saumarez Smith and chief executive Julie Harrington both issued apologies on behalf of the sport, with Harrington saying: "I am truly sorry to hear the stories of bullying, sexual misconduct and, in some cases, serious sexual abuse. This has no place in British racing or wider society. We are determined to put it right."

Harrington's comments came as the BHA announced an update to its strategy on safeguarding and human welfare, which coincided with the publication of Ph.D. research into gender inequalities in racing by Dr. Eleanor Boden from Durham University.

Among the 350-plus incidents of alleged misconduct, 22% concerned bullying and 26% concerned sexual misconduct. Among those latter claims and cases, 41% were for sexual assault, rape, or attempted rape. The BHA also revealed 14 cases of interim suspensions of licensed individuals were pending either criminal investigations or safeguarding panel investigations.

Harrington said: "There are many parts of the culture of British racing that we are incredibly proud of, especially the lengths to which people go to to protect, support, and care for one another. It is essential that everyone working in our sport is treated with dignity and respect, and that we all maintain the highest standards of behavior.

"However, evidence published today, from both the BHA safeguarding team and Dr. Eleanor Boden's study into the experiences of women in our sport, show that this hasn't always been the case.

"We are really sorry for this and are determined to put it right."

The BHA first established a safeguarding unit under Matt Mancini in 2018 and it is the data collected by his team—as well as issues that arose in high-profile cases such as Robbie Dunne's

bullying of Bryony Frost and Johnny Farrelly's exclusion from the sport in 2021 for six safeguarding breaches—which has informed the updated measures announced Wednesday.

Those include enhanced safeguarding and welfare education for employers and employees, with specific training around sexual abuse and misconduct, simplified reporting mechanisms, and an awareness campaign to improve

understanding of what sexual misconduct is.

Harrington added: "Many people in British racing won't be personally aware of instances of bullying, sexual misconduct or other forms of discrimination. But that doesn't mean that it doesn't exist. The BHA will now lead the delivery of the safeguarding strategy, but together with colleagues from across our industry.

"The success of our industry is dependent on the health and happiness of our people, so we must tackle issues like bullying and sexual harassment head-on if we want to attract and, importantly, retain, and develop a valued and high-performing workforce. It's critical to British racing's long-term prosperity."

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BHA chief executive Julie Harrington

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CURLIN, SEATTLE SLEW A DYNAMIC DUO

In the December issue of BloodHorse you note the presence of Seattle Slew in the maternal side of the pedigrees of both of Curlin's 2023 male Breeders' Cup winners, Elite Power and Cody's Wish (Curlin is Leading Sire of Breeders' Cup Winners, page 37).

Note that we can go one step further as Breeders' Cup Distaff (G1) winner Idiomatic's maternal grandsire, First Defence, is out of Seattle Slew's outstanding, grade 1-winning filly, Honest Lady.

Curlin and Seattle Slew seem to get along.

Have a great holiday season.

Paul Zipstein

Queens, New York

HALL OF FAME CALLS FOR SUPPORT OF FUNDRAISER

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame is hosting the second Countdown to the Triple Crown silent auction fundraiser Feb. 3, 2024, from 5-7:30 p.m.

The fundraiser falls exactly three months before the 150th Kentucky Derby! This event will feature dozens of silent auction items displayed around the Museum galleries. We are excited to offer an online auction component so supporters from around the country can participate as well. Attendees will mingle with live music, light refreshments, a 50/50, and bid on some hot items.

We are hoping you will consider donating an item, experience, or gift card in support of this fundraising event. If you do donate, we will promote your business leading up to the event on social media and through our email distribution list. Additionally, we will provide you two complimentary admission tickets to this event.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 4, ALW

12/13, \$36,200, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:40.96, track fast.
1—**Casual Attire**, 123, b g, 3, **National Flag**—Miss Emma Maria, by Tiznow, \$21,720, O—WinBlaze, LLC, B—WinBlaze, LLC (OH), T—Timothy E. Hamm, J—Victor Lebron

Margin: 2³/₄, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 6, ALW

12/13, \$25,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:13.32, track fast.

1—**Corner Kick**, 123, ch f, 3, **Frosted**—True Elegance, by Distorted Humor, \$15,540, O—Paul Woosley, B—Dixiana Farms LLC (KY), T—Jeffrey A. Radosevich, J—Luis Raul Rivera

Sale History: 2021 KEESEP, (\$135,000 RNA).

Margin: 1¹/₄, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 7, ALW

12/13, \$25,900, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:12.73, track fast.

1—**Zakaria**, 124, dk b/br g, 5, **Professor Fate**—Miss Posse, by Posse, \$26,040, O—Susan D. Yoder, B—Lori Yoder (OH), T—Susan D. Yoder, J—Luis Alberto Batista

Margin: 1¹/₂, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mountaineer, Race 5, ALW

12/12, \$21,200, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:14.27, track good.

1—**Seneca Rocks**, 122, b f, 4, **Summer Front**—Cleft in the Rock, by Arch, \$12,296, O—O'Sullivan Farms LLC, B—O'Sullivan Farms (WV), T—Javier Contreras, J—Juan Mauricio Nunez

Margin: ³/₄, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 8, AOC

12/13, \$52,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:45.00, track fast.

1—**Irish Exit**, 122, ch g, 4, **Run Away and Hide**—Atlanta Highway, by Chief Seattle, \$31,200, O—Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Jagger, Inc., B—Dede McGehee (KY), T—Jamie Ness, J—Mychel J. Sanchez

Sale History: 2021 FTMMAY, \$40,000, 2020 KEESEP, \$11,000.

Margin: 6¹/₂, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 9, AOC

12/13, \$50,000, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:41.34, track fast.

1—**Time to Cruise**, 118, ch c, 3, **First Dude**—Majestic Melresa, by Majestic Warrior, \$42,000, O—Kernan Jr., Morris E., Yo Berbs Racing and Jagger Inc., B—Best A Luck Farm LLC (PA), T—Jamie Ness, J—Frankie Pennington

Sale History: 2022 FTMMAY, \$40,000, 2021 FTMOCT, \$23,000.

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

Tampa Bay Downs, Race 5, AOC

12/13, \$54,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (turf), 1:42.31, course firm.

1—**Space Runner**, 119, ch g, 4, **Brody's Cause**—Brilliant Humor, by Distorted Humor, \$34,450, O—Soldi Stable LLC and Ohana Racing Stable, LLC, B—Farm III Enterprises (FL), T—Jose Francisco D'Angelo, J—Miguel Angel Vasquez

Margin: ¹/₂, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Zia Park, Race 10, ALW

12/12, \$52,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:09.49, track fast.

1—**Hey Friend**, 123, ch f, 4, **Mr. Gold Mover**—Island Shine, by Hennessy, \$38,115, O—Mason Meadows, B—Mason Meadows (NM), T—Nancy Summers, J—Daniel P. Vergara

Margin: ¹/₂, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

MAIDEN RESULTS

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 3, MSW

12/13, \$24,300, 3/4/5/6yo, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:42.38, track fast.

1—**Shewearsmyring**, 125, dk b/br f, 3, **Overanalyze**—Happybirthdaybaby, by Successful Appeal, \$14,580, O—Karl Green, B—Cove Springs, LLC (KY), T—Jason DaCosta, J—Fernando Salazar Becerra

Sale History: 2021 FTKOCT, \$12,000.

Margin: 1, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 8, MSW

12/13, \$31,800, 2yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:16.65, track fast.

1—**Commissioner D**, 122, dk b/br f, 2, **Mobil**—Angel Falls, by City Zip, \$19,080, O—HMD Racing Stables LLC and Taste of Victory Stables, B—Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm LLC (OH), T—Megan Fadlovich, J—Erik Barbaran

Sale History: 2022 OHIOCT, \$25,000.

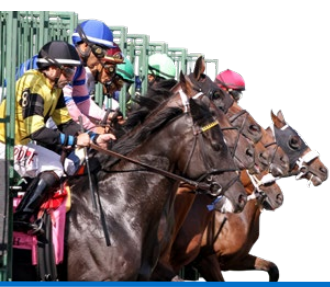
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UPCOMING ENTRIES

BAYAKOA S. (G3)

Los Alamitos Race Course, Friday, December 15, Race 8
8.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo/up f/m, 3:58 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Midnight Memories	Mastery	4/f	Juan J. Hernandez	121	2/1	Pegram, Watson or Weitman
2	2	Violent Runner	Violence	5/m	Mario Gutierrez	119	12/1	Les Blake
3	3	Ganadora	Quality Road	4/f	Kyle Frey	119	6/1	Baoma Corp
4	4	Smoothlikebuttah	Mr. Big	5/m	Tiago Josue Pereira	119	20/1	Tessar or Bach
5	5	Turnerloose	Nyquist	4/f	Edwin A. Maldonado	121	5/1	Abbondanza Racing, LLC, Medallion Racing or Thrash
6	6	Trouville	Will Take Charge	6/m	Diego A. Herrera	119	15/1	Banuelos or Powell
7	7	Desert Dawn	Cupid	4/f	Hector Isaac Berrios	121	6/5	H & E Ranch, Inc.

Breeders: 1—Michael E. Pegram, Paul Weitman & Karl Watson; 2—Lee McMillin & Anita Cauley Breeding; 3—Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd, Brian Graves & Michael E. Hernon; 4—NP Thoroughbreds, Inc.; 5—William Humphries & Altair Farms LLC; 6—WinStar Farm, LLC; 7—H & E Ranch.

Trainers: 1—Bob Baffert; 2—Steve R. Knapp; 3—Bob Baffert; 4—Steve R. Knapp; 5—Philip D'Amato; 6—Leonard Powell; 7—Philip D'Amato.

NEW YORK STALLION SERIES S.

Aqueduct, Saturday, December 16, Race 8
7f (dirt), \$500,000, 2yo f, 3:10 PM (local)

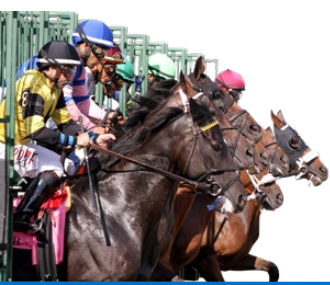
P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Miss Lao	Laoban	2/f	Eric Cancel	118	-	Team Penney Racing
2		My Shea D Lady	Solomini	2/f	Javier Castellano	120	-	Shea D Boy's Stable
3		E Stormy	Laoban	2/f	Romero Ramsay Maragh	118	-	Cypress Creek Equine
4		Holder Close	Solomini	2/f	Eliseo Ruiz	118	-	Rossiter, Daniel
5		Tour Jete	War Dancer	2/f	Jose Lezcano	118	-	Team Penney Racing and Carem Stables
6		My Perfect Mistake	Freud	2/f	Kendrick Carmouche	120	-	Bad Boy Racing LLC
7		Book of Wisdom	Solomini	2/f	Junior Alvarado	118	-	Parkland Thoroughbreds, Fowler, Barry and Magic Cap Stables
8		Walk With Me	Central Banker	2/f	Dylan Davis	120	-	Wizard Stables
9		Elite Status	Big Brown	2/f	Trevor McCarthy	118	-	Gatsas Stables and Schoenfeld, Steven
10		Artemis Girl	Solomini	2/f	Jose Antonio Gomez	120	-	Donk, David G., Behrendt, John T., Marquis, Charles K., Haslup, Suzanne K., Carney, Sean, Punk, Jr., William J. and DiLeo, Philip
11		Soloshot	Solomini	2/f	Manuel Franco	122	-	Bregman Family Racing LLC, Jackpot Farm and Swinbank Stables
12		Sun and Wind	Freud	2/f	Ruben Silvera	120	-	Madkour, Adam

Breeders: 1—F. Galvin, Spruce Lane Farm, Copper Beech Stables, LLC, E. Hart, Ly, et al; 2—McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC; 3—Brookstone Farm & Lee Mauberret; 4—McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC; 5—War Dancer LLC, Team Penney Racing & Carem Stables; 6—Bad Boy Racing, LLC; 7—Hidden Lake Farm, LLC and 3C Stables, LLC; 8—Richard Nicolai; 9—Coffee Pot Stables; 10—McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC & Empire Equines, LLC; 11—Rhapsody Farm LLC; 12—Sequel New York & Stonegate Stables LLC.

Trainers: 1—William I. Mott; 2—Carlos A. David; 3—Linda Rice; 4—James W. Ferraro; 5—Horacio De Paz; 6—Rob Atras; 7—William I. Mott; 8—David P. Duggan; 9—John P. Terranova, II; 10—David G. Donk; 11—George Weaver; 12—Rudy R. Rodriguez.



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UPCOMING ENTRIES

NEW YORK STALLION SERIES S.

Aqueduct, Saturday, December 16, Race 9
7f (dirt), \$500,000, 2yo, 3:37 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Antonio of Venice	Laoban	2/c	Manuel Franco	120	-	Imperio, Michael, Cotrone, Robert, Hibiscus Stables LLC and Rodriguez, Rudy R.
2		Solo Empire	Solomini	2/c	Luis R. Rivera, Jr.	118	-	Buchakjian, Kyle and Buchakjian, Richard
3		Heavyweight Champs	Solomini	2/g	Ruben Silvera	118	-	Big Dom Racing Stable and Big Toe Stables LLC
4		King Freud	Freud	2/c	Trevor McCarthy	120	-	Rodriguez, Rudy R. and Witz, Frank
5		Profitability	Mission Impazible	2/g	Eric Cancel	118	-	Windylea Farm, LLC
6		Liberty Central	Central Banker	2/c	Jose Antonio Gomez	118	-	Thummps Racing Stable LLC, Jacoutot, Peter and Paradise Farms Corp.
7		The Big Torpedo	Big Brown	2/c	Javier Castellano	118	-	Albrecht, Thomas C., Fusaro, Vincent J. and Klein, James
8		Wo Hop	Laoban	2/c	Joey R. Martinez	118	-	Dream Maker Racing
9		B D Saints	Laoban	2/c	Kendrick Carmouche	120	-	Cypress Creek Equine
10		Solo in Paris	Solomini	2/c	Lane J. Luzzi	120	-	Persaud, Randi
11		Solo's Fury	Solomini	2/c	Jose Lezcano	120	-	Greyhound Stables and Dunn, Christopher T.
12		Brick Ambush	Laoban	2/c	Junior Alvarado	120	-	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing
13		Palace Boss	Laoban	2/g	Katie Davis	118	-	Dragon Slayer Stable
14		Kaz' Mega Bank	Bank Heist	2/c	Jomar Torres	118	-	Kazamias, Peter

Breeders: 1–Cypress Creek Equine LLC; 2–Kyle Buchakjian & Richard Buchakjian; 3–Laurel Least & Gabriel McDonough; 4–Allen C. Hallett; 5–Windylea Farm–New York, LLC; 6–Thummp's Racing Stable LLC; 7–Reeves Thoroughbred Racing; 8–McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC; 9–Cypress Creek Equine LLC; 10–Amy Boll & Raymond DeStefano; 11–Saratoga Glen Farm, LLC; 12–Seidman Stables LLC; 13–Dragon Slayer Stable; 14–Kaz Hill Farm.

Trainers: 1–Rudy R. Rodriguez; 2–James W. Ferraro; 3–Rudy R. Rodriguez; 4–Rudy R. Rodriguez; 5–George Weaver; 6–Patrick J. Quick; 7–Thomas Morley; 8–William I. Mott; 9–Linda Rice; 10–Randi Persaud; 11–Jeremiah C. Englehart; 12–Danny Gargan; 13–Horacio De Paz; 14–Panagiotis A. Synnefias.

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