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SAFEST TRACKS IN NORTH AMERICA

By Eric Mitchell

Portland Meadows and Keeneland stand out as two of the safest North American Thoroughbred racetracks, according to the most recent equine fatality statistics published annually by 26 tracks in the U.S. and Canada.

Portland Meadows in Oregon and Keeneland, near Lexington, both had overall equine fatality rates below one per 1,000 starts. (See page 3 for a full report on the overall Equine Injury Database statistics for 2015).

One factor influencing the two racetracks' low rates is that they conducted the fewest number of live race days in 2014 among racetracks that offered live racing and raced more than 15 days throughout the year. Twenty-one of the 26 tracks reporting their statistics met these criteria.

Portland Meadows had a fatality rate of 0.52 per 1,000 starts for 31 race days. This rate is significantly lower than its 1.60 rate in 2013 when it raced 41 days and its 2.20 rate from 82 days of live racing in 2012.

Keeneland had a 0.76 fatality rate for 32 days in 2014, up slightly from its 2013 rate of 0.33 from 33 racing days. By actual numbers, the track had one fatality in 2013 and two in 2014. Keeneland returned

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SAFEST TRACKS IN NORTH AMERICA

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to a dirt main track for its October 2014 meet. The track had been racing on a Polytrack all-weather surface since 2006.

The other racetracks by lowest fatality rates among the top 10 include three with synthetic surfaces on the main track—Turfway Park (1.06), Woodbine (1.13), and Golden Gate Fields (1.15).

Woodbine had the lowest 2014 fatality rate among North American racetracks offering at least 100 days of live racing. The Toronto metro-area track raced 133 days in 2014 and 132 in 2013. The fatality rate per 1,000 starts was below one in 2010-12, with 12 each in 2010-11 and seven in 2012. Though there were also 12 fatalities in 2013-14, the fatality rate rose above one per 1,000 because of a drop (about 19%) in total starts compared with the 2010-11 meets.

Safety was among the issues cited when Woodbine replaced its Polytrack surface this year with Tapeta.

Among the top 10, Remington Park saw the greatest decline in fatalities not affected by a decline in race days. The Oklahoma track's number of fatalities dropped from 16 in 2012 to seven in 2014; its fatality rates for those years dropped from 2.73 to 1.24, respectively. **BH**

Racetracks with Lowest Fatality Rates

Track	2014 Rate	2014 Days	2013 Rate	2013 Days
Portland Meadows	0.52	31	1.60	41
Keeneland	0.76	32	0.33	33
Turfway Park	1.06	47	1.59	49
Woodbine	1.13	133	1.10	132
Golden Gate Fields	1.15	152	1.56	155
Remington Park	1.24	67	1.65	66
Indiana Grand	1.29	113	1.18	114
Belmont Park	1.48	92	0.69	93
Lone Star Park	1.85	50	1.05	50
Pimlico	1.86	35	1.87	36

*Does not include tracks that conducted less than 15 live racing days

Source: Equine Injury Database

LATEST HEADLINES FROM BLOODHORSE.COM

SALES COMPANIES AMEND STEROID POLICY

Officials from Keeneland Association, Fasig-Tipton Co., and Ocala Breeders' Sales Company on March 22 jointly announced they have amended the anabolic androgenic steroid policy.

OBS CATALOGS 1,216 FOR APRIL JUVENILE SALE

A total of 1,216 juveniles have been cataloged for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's 2016 Spring sale of 2-year-olds in training that is now available via the OBS website.

WISE DAN, CASSE ON CANADIAN HOF BALLOT

Two-time U.S. Horse of the Year Wise Dan and seven-time Sovereign Award-winning trainer Mark Casse are among the 15 Thoroughbred candidates on the ballot for the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame.

SHERMAN: CHROME 'PERFECT' FOR WORLD CUP

Art Sherman said March 22 that California Chrome looks the best he ever has as he prepares for a second shot at the Dubai World Cup March 26 after a runner-up effort a year ago.

AMOSS SEEKS CLEAR SAILING FOR MO TOM

Louisiana-based owners and a Louisiana-based trainer hope the home cooking works for their Mo Tom, who hopes to turn the tables on Gun Runner in the March 26 Louisiana Derby at Fair Grounds.

VA ALLIANCE ANNOUNCES HORSE RACING PLANS

The Virginia Equine Alliance March 22 announced immediate and longer term plans for horse racing in the state and introduced a new website focused on all aspects of Virginia racing.

EQUIBASE ADDS INTERNATIONAL ENTRIES, RESULTS

Equibase Company announced March 22 the expansion of racing coverage with the addition of entries and results from several international racing jurisdictions.

MONMOUTH UNVEILS 2016 STAKES SCHEDULE

Headed by the \$1 million Haskell Invitational (gr. I), which was won last year by Triple Crown winner and Horse of the Year American Pharoah, Monmouth Park Racetrack has released its \$4.65 million stakes schedule for 2016.

RACETRACK INJURIES DROP OVERALL

By Tom LaMarra

The 2015 Equine Injury Database statistics show a drop in overall fatalities to 1.62 per 1,000 starts, the lowest figure since statistics were first published in 2009, according to information released March 22 by The Jockey Club.

Last year's rate fell 14% from 1.89 per 1,000 starts in 2014 and 19% below the 2.00 rate in 2009. In 2015 synthetic surfaces had the lowest fatality rate at 1.18, followed by turf at 1.22 and dirt at 1.78; all three rates are lower than in 2014.

The statistics are based on injuries resulting in fatalities within 72 hours from the race date. Summary statistics are subject to change due to a number of considerations, including reporting timeliness, officials said.

"We've seen a significant decrease in the number of fatalities and that is certainly very encouraging," said Dr. Tim Parkin, a veterinarian and epidemiologist at University of Glasgow who analyzed the EID statistics. "We will continue to examine data and look for trends, but the wide-ranging safety initiatives embraced by tracks, horsemen, and regulators in recent years have very likely played a role in the reduction of injuries and fatalities."

Last year—the first since data was initially released—the fatality rate for dirt-track injuries was below 2.00 per 1,000 starts. The synthetic surface rate has never been higher than 1.49, and the turf rate never higher than 1.94—both recorded for 2009.

According to the EID, the number of starts at tracks which report fatal injury rates for all three surfaces dropped last year

by 24.4% to 299,121 from 395,897 in 2009. The reduction in number of starts is directly tied to smaller Thoroughbred crops and fewer race days and races over the past five years.

An analysis of 2015 race distance statistics consistently shows, over the seven-year period of published data, that shorter races—less than six furlongs—are associated with higher injury rates.

Two-year-olds continue to have the lowest rate of catastrophic injuries while 3-year-olds have a lower rate of catastrophic injuries than horses 4 and older.

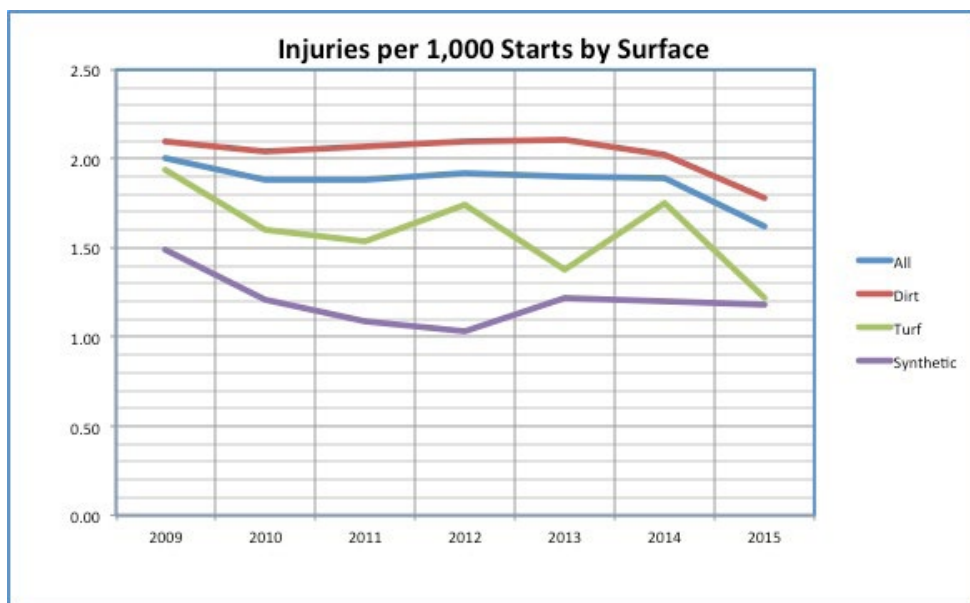
"When we first started collecting data in 2007, we realized the more data we obtained and analyzed, the more we would learn," said Dr. Mary Scollay, Kentucky equine medical director and an EID consultant. "These improving fatality rates are clear evidence that we can move the needle and that the efforts of so many are truly bearing fruit."

The EID was initiated at the 2006 Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit and launched in 2008. Organizers said in 2016 racetracks that account for 96% of total pari-mutuel handle are expected to participate. **BH**



COGLIANESE PHOTOS

Equine injuries are trending down since The Jockey Club started the injury database in 2008





SALES UPDATE

STABILITY IN FLORIDA JUVENILE SALES

By Ron Mitchell

Going into this year's juvenile sales season, Fasig-Tipton and Ocala Breeders' Sales Co. executives were hopeful there would be stability in their respective March sales, following several transitional years.

Based on aggregate numbers for the March 2 Fasig-Tipton sale at Gulfstream Park and the March 15-16 OBS auction in Ocala, they got what they wanted.

The two sales generated gross receipts of \$73,370,000 for 394 sold, compared with \$75,527,500 for 414 sold last year. The combined average rose from \$182,433 in 2015 to \$186,218.

Compared with five years ago, the number of horses sold has risen 64.1% from the 2012 total of 240, and gross receipts have risen 66.9% from \$43,954,500. Despite the expanded numbers, there has been no dilution in average, which grew from \$183,143 in 2012 to this year's figure.

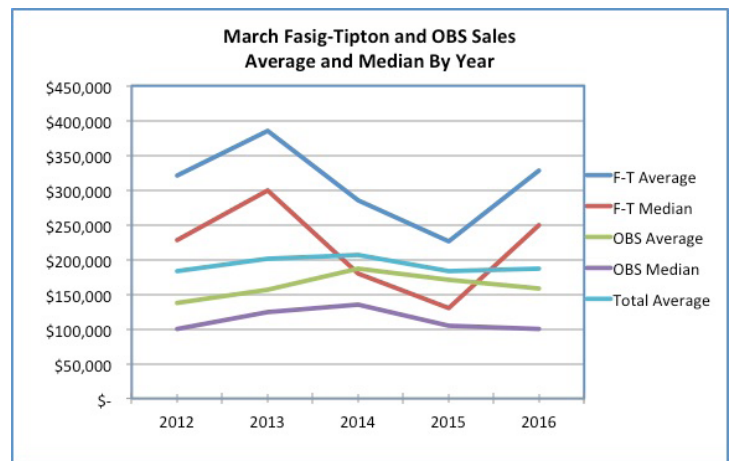
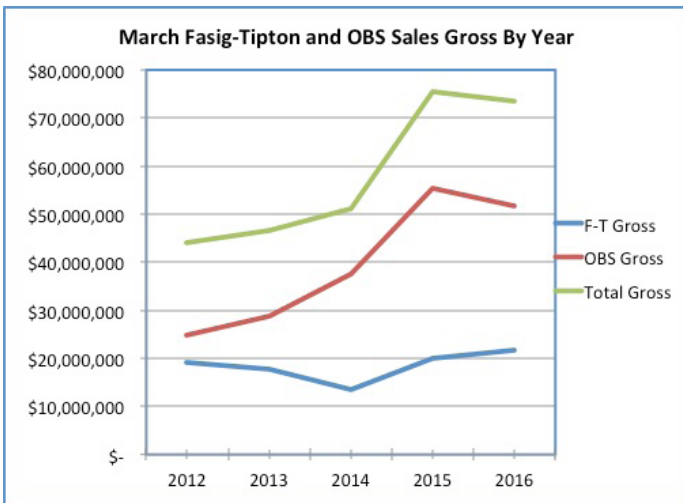
This year's Fasig-Tipton Florida auction was the second in a row at Gulfstream following several different venues for the auction that was once a mainstay at Calder Race Course.

The 2016 OBS March auction was the second since dropping the "selected" sale format and greatly expanding its offerings. **BH**



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Averages have remained steady across Florida's two March sales of 2-year-olds despite an increase in the number sold



THE MARCH 26 ISSUE OF BLOOD-HORSE INCLUDES

- PURE HEART**
 Cupid takes the Oaklawn Rebel & gives trainer Bob Baffert his sixth Rebel win in seven years – a look at Cupid's pedigree and history
- START UP**
 Darley Flying Start, now in its 13th season, develops industry leaders
- DOUBLING DOWN**
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Smokem Kitten set a course record for 7 1/2 furlongs on the Gulfstream Park turf course March 20

SMOKEM KITTEN TOPS WEEK'S SPEED FIGURES

By Frank Angst

Ken and Sarah Ramsey's homebred Smokem Kitten showed Mike Maker enough potential in winning his career maiden debut in December that the trainer tried him against an experienced group of stakes horses in the Dania Beach Stakes (gr. IIIT) in his second start, Jan. 6 at Gulfstream Park.

In that stakes debut the 3-year-old son of Kitten's Joy—Holly Smoke, by Unbridled's Song, again displayed tal-

ent—contending into the stretch—before fading to sixth.

In his fourth career start March 20—all have come on the Gulfstream turf—Smokem Kitten rallied four wide in the turn to take command before drawing off for a 5 1/2-length score in the allowance-optional claiming race. Smokem Kitten set the course record, completing the 7 1/2-furlong test in 1:26.78 on firm turf.

In doing so he earned the week's top Equibase Speed Figure of 115—also a career-best ESF, up from 93 in his debut.

The previous course record for the distance was set in 2011 by Right One, winner of the Jaipur Stakes (gr. IIIT) later that year at Belmont Park. **BH**

Top 10 Equibase Speed Figures Since March 15

E	Horse	Finish	Race, Track, Distance, Date
115	Smokem Kitten	1	AOC, GP, 7.5fT, 3/20
114	Royal Saint	1	AOC, OP, 6f, 3/18
114	Stonetastic	1	Inside Information S. (gr. II), GP, 7f, 3/19
113	Bumpy Cat	2	AOC, OP, 6f, 3/18
112	Yeager	1	AOC, AQU, 8.5f, 3/19
111	Fourth of July	1	AOC, OP, 8.5f, 3/19
110	Coin Broker	1	AOC, OP, 8f, 3/20
110	Vigorous Titan	1	Colonel Power Overnight S., FG, 5.5f, 3/19
109	Clothes Fall Off	1	Correction S., AQU, 6f, 3/19
109	Minks Aprise	1	Camilla Urso S., GG, 6f, 3/19
109	Seeking the Sherif	1	CLM, SA, 6f, 3/20
109	Smoove It	1	Irish O'Brien S., SA, a6.5fT, 3/19

INTERNATIONAL REPORT: SOUTH AFRICA

ORATORIO COLT TOPS MARCH YEARLING SALE

By Sarah Whitelaw

A colt from the first South African crop of former Coolmore sire Oratorio was the star of the March 19-20 Cape Thoroughbred Sales March yearling sale at Durbanville.

Named Oravar, the Sorrento Stud-consigned colt was knocked down to Kuda Insurance's Wehann Smith for 650,000 rand (\$42,640).

The sale-topper is out of Miravar, a four-time winning daughter of champion sprinter and leading sire Var, who stands alongside Oratorio at Avontuur Estate in Stellenbosch.

Like his stablemate, Var proved popular at the two-day sale, with his daughter Bank On It being the sale's top-priced filly. Bred by Pippa Mickleburgh, Bank On It, whose relatives including former Mak-toum Challenge (UAE-III) winner Lucky Find, was sold to Mayfair Speculators for 600,000 rand (\$39,360).



COURTESY AVONTUUR ESTATE

Former Coolmore stallion Oratorio, now at Avontuur Estate in South Africa, sired the sale-topper at the CTS March sale

During a tough two days of trading, just 199 of the 240 yearlings (10 withdrawn) offered found homes. The sale's 21,395,000 rand (\$1,403,512) aggregate dropped 24.2% from last year's 28,235,000 rand (\$2,325,808) gross—although last year's sale offered a slightly larger catalog. The average dropped 9% from 118,138 rand (\$9,772) to 107,512 rand (\$7,053), and the median fell 22.2% from 90,000 rand (\$7,488) to 70,000 rand (\$4,592). **BH**

HOPES HIGH FOR END OF COBALT SCANDAL

By Tara Madgwick

Peter Moody is one of Australia's most popular and successful horse trainers, and his decision to close his stables as the result of his six-month suspension over a high cobalt reading in one of his horses could mark the end of the long-running cobalt scandal.

Moody is the latest of several trainers to face consequences over the use of cobalt, large amounts of which can increase red blood cell production and oxygen capacity, enhancing performance.

The charge was laid over a positive test for one of his horses, Lidari, in 2014.

Two other prominent Victorian trainers, Mark Kavanagh and Danny O'Brien, have been disqualified for lengthy periods, subject to appeal. In New South Wales, Darren Smith and Sam Kavanagh—son of Mark—were also banned.

The protracted nature of the Victorian inquiries has drawn criticism from Moody, whose battle with the stewards has dragged out over 18 months.

"It's had a tremendous impact on my business," Moody said earlier this week at a press conference.

"Financially it's been draining from the legal side of things, and it's no secret that the quality of horses I now train is significantly less than it was 18 months ago. I haven't lost any business out of this matter, but I haven't gained any, which is something all stables need to keep generating in order to move forward.

"It's been 18 months in the making, and that's the disappointing aspect of it for racing, not for Peter Moody only, but for racing."

Moody achieved international fame as the trainer of unbeaten world champion sprinter Black Caviar, whom he also selected and purchased as a yearling.

Other superstars to spring from the Moody stable

include reigning Australian Horse of the Year and five-time group I winner Dissident, now standing at Newgate Farm and 2009-10 Australian Horse of the Year Typhoon Tracy.

Moody is currently third on the Victorian trainers leaderboard and will have his last group I runners in the William Reid Stakes at Moonee Valley March 24.

A last-start winner of the Oakleigh Plate (Aus-I), 6-year-old gelding Flamberge (Exceed And Excel) seeks his third group I win, while talented 3-year-old colt Kinglike (Exceed And Excel) looks to enhance his future prospects as a sire for some high-profile owners, including Coolmore.

Moody and his wife, Sarah, own shares in a large number of horses, so they will continue to be involved in racing. **BH**



Peter Moody's last group I runners race March 24 before starting a suspension over cobalt use



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INTRIGUING PEDIGREE BEHIND CUPID

By Alan Porter

Already represented by early Kentucky Derby (gr. I) favorite Mohaymen, another prospect has been added to Tapit's classic contenders in the shape of Cupid, who followed an impressive maiden victory with a win in the Rebel Stakes (gr. II) March 19.

While he shares his sire with Mohaymen, Cupid is from the female line of another prominent Triple Crown hopeful, Risen Star (gr. II) scorer Gun Runner. Both trace to Gallorette, once voted the best filly or mare to run in the U.S. in the first half of the 20th century.

The branch from which Cupid descends endured a quieter spell, before undergoing something of a revival. His third dam, Office Affair, an unraced daughter of Secretariat, produced seven winners from 15 named foals, but none earned black-type.

One of Office Affair's non-winning foals was Charge d'Affaires. Placed as a 3-year-old, she proved more significant as a broodmare, her progeny including the dual grade III winner Hostess, and Cupid's dam Pretty 'n Smart.

A daughter of Beau Genius—a tough son of multiple leading Canadian sire Bold Ruckus—Pretty 'n Smart was a precocious runner whose first four starts included a 6 3/4-length debut win, a third to Golden Ballet and Starrer in the Railbird (gr. II), and a third in the Manhattan Beach.

But as a broodmare Pretty 'n Smart has really made her name. Prior to Cupid, her progeny included Tale of the Cat's daughter, Ashley's Kitty, who won three black-type events, headed by the

Railbird; the Lion Heart filly, Heart Ashley, successful twice at grade III level; and Indianapolis (Medaglia d'Oro), who won the San Pedro Stakes.

One is inclined to wonder if the family's revitalization is down to Pretty 'n Smart's rather unusual pedigree. Her sire, Beau Genius, is out of a mare by Canadian Horse of the Year Viceregal, and her dam is by that horse's brother Vice Regent, whose race career was sabotaged by accident and injury, but who was the dominant sire in Canada for more than a decade.

Cupid's own pedigree also has an unusual

feature. His sire is from one branch of the male line of Bold Ruler's son, Boldnesian—that of Seattle Slew—and his dam is from the only other major U.S. branch of Boldnesian, Bold Ruckus. Cupid follows Sis City as only the second graded winner bred on this sire line/broodmare sire line cross.

Tapit has also sired graded stakes winners Dancing House and Touching Beauty, and stakes winner Noisy Feet crossed back over mares from the Seattle Slew line, so he is something of a mold-breaker in this respect. **BH**



GONDY PHOTOGRAPHY

Cupid's sire and broodmare sire are both from Boldnesian-line stallions

TAPIT, gr/ro, 2001	Pulpit, 1994	A.P. Indy, 1989	Seattle Slew
		Preach, 1989	Weekend Surprise
	Tap Your Heels, 1996	Unbridled, 1987	Mr. Prospector
Ruby Slippers, 1982		Narrate	
CUPID gr/ro, c May 19, 2013	Beau Genius, 1985	Bold Ruckus, 1976	Fappiano
		Royal Colleen, 1973	Gana Facil
PRETTY 'N SMART, ch, 1998	Charge d'Affaires, 1992	Vice Regent, 1967	Nijinsky II
		Office Affair, 1988	Moon Glitter
			Boldnesian
		Raise a Ruckus	
		Viceregal	
		Own Colleen	
		Northern Dancer	
		Victoria Regina	
		Secretariat	
		Mlle. Liebe	

RACE RESULTS

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Parx Racing, Race 5, ALW

3/22, \$51,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:18.04, track fast.
1—[Pinkout](#), 121, b f, 4, [Outflanker](#)—Pink Tights, by Let Goodtimes Roll, \$30,600, O—Kathleen Willier, B—Mr. Wes Carter (NJ), T—Kevin G. Sleeter, J—Mychel J. Sanchez
Sale History: 2014 FTMMAY, \$9,000.
Margin: ½, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Parx Racing, Race 6, ALW

3/22, \$42,000, 3yo, 8f (dirt), 1:39.68, track fast.
1—[D T Goodie](#), 119, dk b/br c, 3, [Jump Start](#)—Free Strike, by Smart Strike, \$25,200, O—Robert Atkinson, B—Donald Clifford Wilson (PA), T—Carl Doran, J—David Cora
Margin: nose, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Will Rogers Downs, Race 7, ALW

3/22, \$20,900, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:41.17, track fast.
1—[Nym \(MEX\)](#), 122, dk b/br c, 4, [Drover](#)—Marthas Gift (MEX), by Discover, \$12,444, O—Poza de Luna, Inc., B—Rancho Poza de Luna (MEX), T—Kari Craddock, J—Erik McNeil
Margin: 2½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Will Rogers Downs, Race 8, ALW

3/22, \$25,080, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.64, track fast.
1—[Flying Tom](#), 124, ch g, 5, [Rush Bay](#)—Sealth, by [Forestry](#), \$14,438, O—R. Odell Edwards, B—Frank E. Gladd (OK), T—Austin Gustafson, J—Freddy Jose Manrique
Margin: neck, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

MAIDEN RESULTS

Parx Racing, Race 2, MSW

3/22, \$50,000, 3yo, f, 6f (dirt), 1:11.91, track fast.
1—[Battle Tux](#), 121, b f, 3, [Into Mischief](#)—Slewcy's Gale, by Slew City Slew, \$30,000, O—Tic Stables, B—George Roy VanHoose & Colleen C. Jonsson (KY), T—Linda Rice, J—Cornelio H. Velasquez
Sale History: 2015 FTMMAY, \$125,000, 2014 FTKOCT, \$7,000.
Margin: 6¼, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Sunland Park, Race 1, MSW

3/22, \$21,795, 2yo, 2f (dirt), :21.32, track fast.
1—[Cawboybandido](#), 120, ch c, 2, [Next Bandit](#)—Catchtherain, by Super Special, \$13,077, O—Hubaldo Solis, B—Hubaldo Solis (NM), T—Kenneth M. Grisham, J—Alejandro Medellin

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

Sunland Park, Race 3, MSW

3/22, \$24,525, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:41.56, track fast.
1—[Angelafar](#), 117, b f, 3, [Firejack](#)—Scared Money, by Carson City, \$14,715, O—Jenkins, Derrick W. and Weldon C., B—Weldon C. Jenkins & Derrick Jenkins (NM), T—Gary W. Cross, J—Roimes Chirinos
Margin: 3¾, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Will Rogers Downs, Race 3, MSW

3/22, \$23,760, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.98, track fast.
1—[Valentine Party](#), 124, ch g, 4, [Pollard's Vision](#)—Artic Party, by Eskimo, \$13,764, O—Hal May, B—John James Revocable Trust (OK), T—Recil L. Payton, J—Benny C. Landeros

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UPCOMING ENTRIES

SOUTHERN PARK S.

Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Saturday, March 26, Race 7
6f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo f, 3:02 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Ibelieveinmiracles	Dunkirk	3/f	Hector L. Rosario, Jr.	118	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC
2		Fast Justice 	Regal Ransom	3/f	Ricardo Feliciano	118	-	Tommy G. Ligon and Anthony J. Granitz
3		Dreaminofjustice 	Lantana Mob	3/f	Agustin Bracho	118	-	Jeff Gardella and David and Mark Doering
4		Purple Flowers	Line of David	3/f	Luis Antonio Gonzalez	118	-	Bottle Rocket Stable
5		Honey Twists	Much the Best	3/f	Joe Musarro	118	-	Mirage Thoroughbreds, Inc.
6		Touch of Bling 	Tale of the Cat	3/f	Leandro R. Goncalves	116	-	Three Diamonds Farm
7		Barefoot Gypsy	Daaher	3/f	Albin Jimenez	118	-	Hat Creek Racing
8		Tune Up	Giant Oak	3/f	Christian P. Pilares	120	-	Linda Friess, Donald Bookman and Joann Hayes
9		Talkaholic	Majesticperfection	3/f	No Rider	116	-	Stoneway Farm
10		Sunny Daze	Pure Prize	3/f	Ricardo Mejias	118	-	Mast Thoroughbreds, LLC
11		Sheza Fine Justice 	Regal Ransom	3/f	Yuri Yaranga	120	-	Charlie Lawson
12		Heavenly Mine 	Discreetly Mine	3/f	Cory Orm	118	-	Robert Alvin Reeves

Breeders: 1–Whisper Hill Farm; 2–Justice Farm & Greg Justice; 3–Justice Farm & Greg Justice; 4–Belvedere Farm Inc.; 5–W. Lee Johnson; 6–Langsem Farm, Inc; 7–Peter J. Sheppell; 8–Donald Bookman & Linda Friess; 9–Steve Snowden & Douglas S. Arnold; 10–Deborah Kopatz; 11–Justice Farm & Greg Justice; 12–Langsem Farm, Inc.

Trainers: 1–Robert M. Gorham; 2–Anthony J. Granitz; 3–Mark Doering; 4–Susan L. Anderson; 5–Bart A. Barnes; 6–Michael J. Maker; 7–Wesley A. Ward; 8–Donald C. Bookman; 9–Michael W. Salvaggio, Jr.; 10–Robert M. Gorham; 11–Charles Lawson; 12–Mark E. Thomas.

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2016 SIRE LIST NORTH AMERICAN

Listed below is a comparison of statistics for only North American racing with all available statistics through March 21, 2016. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season), and have runners in North America are included..

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'16 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'16 Earnings
1	Tapit	Pulpit, '01	\$300,000	Gainesway, KY	Cupid (\$584,800)	\$3,083,374
2	Candy Ride (ARG)	Ride the Rails, '99	\$60,000	Lane's End, KY	Gun Runner (\$240,000)	\$1,900,779
3	Flatter	A.P. Indy, '99	\$30,000	Claiborne Farm, KY	Kobe's Back (\$300,000)	\$1,794,627
4	Bernardini	A.P. Indy, '03	\$100,000	Darley, KY	Shagaf (\$262,800)	\$1,757,020
5	Congrats	A.P. Indy, '00	\$20,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	Venus Valentine (\$122,280)	\$1,663,924
6	Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado, '99	\$150,000	Darley, KY	Mshawish (\$393,700)	\$1,592,677
7	Uncle Mo	Indian Charlie, '08	\$75,000	Ashford Stud, KY	Mo Tom (\$160,000)	\$1,523,811
8	Malibu Moon	A.P. Indy, '97	\$95,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	Stanford (\$117,400)	\$1,515,107
9	City Zip	Carson City, '98	\$40,000	Lane's End, KY	Collected (\$292,500)	\$1,510,054
10	Giant's Causeway	Storm Cat, '97	\$85,000	Ashford Stud, KY	Destin (\$338,000)	\$1,507,436

2016 SIRES BY LIFETIME AEI

Listed below are the top 10 leading sires by lifetime Average Earnings Index (AEI) through March 21, 2016. Only active stallions in North America (excluding stallions that were exported prior to the 2011 breeding season) with at least 150 named foals of racing age are included. All statistics are Northern Hemisphere only. AEI indicates how much purse money the progeny of one sire has earned in relation to the average earnings of all runners in the same years; average earnings of all runners in any year is represented by an index of 1.00. CI indicates the average earnings of progeny produced from mares bred to one sire, when these same mares were bred to other sires.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'16 Stud Fee	Farm	Crops	Foals	AEI	CI
1	Pioneer of the Nile	Empire Maker, '06	\$125,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	4	261	3.15	1.59
2	Into Mischief	Harlan's Holiday, '05	\$45,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	5	226	2.65	1.45
3	Uncle Mo	Indian Charlie, '08	\$75,000	Ashford Stud, KY	2	193	2.50	1.82
4	War Front	Danzig, '02	\$200,000	Claiborne Farm, KY	7	440	2.39	2.24
5	Tapit	Pulpit, '01	\$300,000	Gainesway, KY	9	924	2.36	2.09
6	Ghostzapper	Awesome Again, '00	\$60,000	Adena Springs Kentucky, KY	8	577	2.26	2.06
7	Curlin	Smart Strike, '04	\$100,000	Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY	5	410	2.20	2.24
8	Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado, '99	\$150,000	Darley, KY	9	993	2.11	2.31
9	Awesome of Course	Awesome Again, '00	\$5,000	Ocala Stud Farm, FL	10	160	2.10	1.44
10	Distorted Humor	Forty Niner, '93	\$100,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	15	1222	2.10	2.22

2016 BROODMARE SIRES

Listed below are the top 10 leading broodmare sires by 2016 Northern Hemisphere earnings through March 21, 2016. All stallions whose daughters are represented by at least one Northern Hemisphere runner in 2016 are included. Cumulative stakes winners includes lifetime worldwide statistics; all other statistics are 2016 Northern Hemisphere only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	Dams	Rnrs	SWrs (% Rnrs)	Cum. SWrs	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'16 Earnings
1	Sunday Silence	Halo, '86	481	816	6 (.7%)	150	Duramente (\$277,964)	\$6,724,215
2	Storm Cat	Storm Bird, '83	259	342	4 (1.2%)	215	Blofeld (\$305,900)	\$3,473,036
3	French Deputy	Deputy Minister, '92	197	299	7 (2.3%)	65	Tara's Tango (\$444,000)	\$3,464,825
4	Unbridled's Song	Unbridled, '93	231	304	5 (1.6%)	85	Shagaf (\$262,800)	\$2,531,988
5	A.P. Indy	Seattle Slew, '89	228	328	2 (.6%)	131	Lukes Alley (\$248,890)	\$2,321,659
6	Giant's Causeway	Storm Cat, '97	191	232	5 (2.2%)	40	Gun Runner (\$240,000)	\$2,292,316
7	Seeking the Gold	Mr. Prospector, '85	182	242	3 (1.2%)	132	Ghaamer (\$184,233)	\$2,232,483
8	Brian's Time	Roberto, '85	219	350	1 (.3%)	24	Buster Type (\$177,389)	\$2,138,111
9	Distorted Humor	Forty Niner, '93	148	196	2 (1.0%)	40	Moanin (\$610,821)	\$2,081,719
10	Cherokee Run	Runaway Groom, '90	104	129	2 (1.6%)	24	The Blue Eye (\$599,746)	\$1,813,917