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# ARROGATE, **GUN RUNNER HEAD DUBAI WORLD CUP**

By Alicia Wincze Hughes

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he temptation to look ahead is easy to give in to when dealing with an athlete who makes the complicated look routine. But Bob Baffert did not become the Hall of Fame trainer he is without being mindful of such traps.

So it is, then, that the legendary conditioner keeps steering back to the present those who want talk about Juddmonte Farms' champion Arrogate in forwardthinking terms. For every question he fields about the legacy the son of Unbridled's Song will own should his performance in the \$10 million Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airline (G1) equal expectations, Baffert reminds all that "gimmes" simply do not exist in competitive sports.

One hurdle at a time, or risk tripping over what you don't pay



Arrogate is expected to run big after winning the Pegasus World Cup Invitational

attention to. For a man who doesn't put his horses on a plane unless he has peak confidence in their ability to represent, the last thing Baffert will do is travel halfway around the world only to get sloppy.

"Right now we are just trying to stay focused that he is doing

> well, because you have to make sure that they show up," Baffert said. "Right now, we know he is an exceptional horse. He is the heavy favorite. But he still has to have racina luck."

> The luck of draw was the latest obstacle to be cleared in Arrogate's favor, with the 4-year-old gray colt landing

post 9 in a field of 14 for the March 25 Dubai World Cup.

The draw for the 2,000 meter (about 11/4 mile) test was largely kind to its main contenders. Fellow grade 1 winner Gun Runner perceived as the main threat to Arrogate—drew post 5. Keen Ice, Neolithic, and Hoppertunity are set to break from posts 10, 11, and 12, respectively.

During his 10-month rise from allowance winner to world's best handicap horse in training, Arrogate has rendered his starting points moot. He captured both the \$12 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1) Jan. 28 and Travers Stakes (G1) last August after breaking from the rail, and departed from the 9 slot en route to reeling in champion California Chrome in the Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) last November.

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7.	Awardee	Y. Take	M. Matsunaga
8.	Furia Cruzada	A. Fresu	E. Charpy
9.	Arrogate	M. Smith	B. Baffert
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# ARROGATE, GUN RUNNER HEAD DUBAI WORLD CUP

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It was already going to take more than an unfortunate draw for Arrogate to be at any perceived disadvantage in the World Cup. With that now off the table, Baffert can take another deep breath as he prepares to ride out a few more days.

"He's settled in pretty well and everything has gone pretty smooth," said Baffert, who will also saddle Hoppertunity. "We're just playing the waiting game now. The draw is over so that's the last of the suspense. We just have to keep him happy the next couple of days.

"As long as he shows up, that's the key. But he's done everything well here. If he runs his race, we know what he can do."

What Arrogate can do is set a track ablaze and break his opponents' hearts— all while looking like a big, goofy kid out for a stroll. What the connections of Gun Runner hope their colt can counter with is a high cruising speed that, when left to its own devices, has its own track record of running foes into the ground.

Since finishing a well-beaten third to Arrogate in the Travers, Gun Runner has delivered some of the best performances of his 13-race career. Twenty-one days after running second in the Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1), the 4-year-old son of Candy Ride capped his sophomore campaign by besting elders in the Nov. 25 Clark Handicap (G1).

His seasonal bow in the Feb. 20 Razorback Handicap (G3) at Oaklawn Park was a gate-to-wire 5 3/4-length victory that was every bit the definition of sublime. With Arrogate not always the fastest out of the gate, Gun Runner will likely have every chance to set the pace in the Dubai World Cup and make his champion rival have to go through him at the finish.

"I was happy with it," co-owner Ron Winchell of Winchell Thoroughbreds said of the draw. "Just let him use his natural speed and hopefully they'll let him go on the lead. The track seems to play speed-favoring."

Hoppertunity and Keen Ice are both closers who would welcome someone to keep Gun Runner honest on the front end. Neolithic could be one such candidate; he prompted pacesetter Noble Bird in the Pegasus World Cup and held for third-place honors.

"The ideal (race) scenario is one where Arrogate would not be involved," laughed Jack Wolf of Starlight Racing, which recently sold a 50% interest in Neolithic to Qatar Racing. "That's the horse to beat, obviously. I would think we'd be near or on the lead, or at least stalking the pace, and this track seems to be favoring the speed of the last few weeks. Hopefully we hit the board here." BH

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# **GUN RUNNER BRINGS** CONSISTENT CLASS TO WORLD CUP STAGE

By Alicia Wincze Hughes

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he only thing that has changed is the scenery.

From the backdrop of the Twin Spires, to the home of Mardi Gras, to the glittering towers that surround Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum's equine epicenter, the rhythmic stride of Winchell Thoroughbreds and Three Chimneys Farm's chestnut flagbearer remains steadfast.

Half a world away from any of his various bases, Gun Runner prepares for the \$10 million Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airlines (G1) as he always does—acting as if the whole charade is old hat. Frankly, when one boils down his current situation, it is.

Big prizes, big stakes, bigger and

badder opponents. The son of Candy Ride has looked all of the above in the eye and not once shirked a challenge. The question has never been "if" Gun Runner will show up—not after seven wins from 13 starts over eight different tracks. Whether his uncomplicated best is good enough to complicate life for Arrogate, a horse thus far without peer, is the query he has been sent to Meydan

Were it not for an equine herpesvirus outbreak that placed Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots under a lengthy quarantine, there would be no need for speculation on how Gun Runner's 4-yearold form stacks up against the beastly Arrogate. Unable to ship out of his New Orleans base for the \$12 million Pegasus World Cup Invitational Stakes (G1) at Gulfstream Park Jan. 28, the connections of Gun Runner could do little but watch as Arrogate unleashed another track-record setting victory in which he barely appeared to be trying.

Arrogate's status as the best handicap horse



Durable and consistent, Gun Runner chases the biggest victory of his life in Dubai

currently in training is beyond reproach. And if the son of Unbridled's Song keeps unearthing new levels to his game as his people suggest he can, the March 25 Dubai World Cup could be one for the ages.

Gun Runner hasn't just stood still, however, while Juddmonte Farms' champion colt has embarked on a freakish career trajectory. When he was finally able to make his seasonal bow in the Feb. 20 Razorback Handicap (G3) at Oaklawn Park, he was expected to win but also expected to need a tightener. As he galloped to a front-running, 5 3/4-length victory easy as he pleased, the ambitious plan of taking on Arrogate in Dubai became something that would have been crazy not to do.

"He's getting better and better and (the Razorback) was an extremely pleasant performance, even better than anticipated," said Doug Cauthen, vice chairman of

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Racecourse to answer.

# GUN RUNNER BRINGS CONSISTENT CLASS TO WORLD CUP STAGE

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Three Chimneys. "He's a heck of a nice horse and he's proven it.

"It's a big race on a big day. California Chrome looked like he would be tough in the Pegasus and he didn't show up, so you just don't know. You have to put them in the gate and let them run. Arrogate is the best horse in the world right now... and he beat Gun Runner the time they met (in the Travers Stakes). I think Gun Runner is better. Has he improved enough? I can't say that he has but we'll find out soon enough."

In the span of about seven months, beginning with his track-record setting triumph in the Travers Stakes (G1) last August, Arrogate has already emerged as one of the great raw talents of recent time.

Gun Runner's progression by contrast has been a slow burn, albeit an expected one. His hints at precocity as a 2-year-old morphed into multiple graded stakes-winning form last season and his durability made him the most reliable member of his 3-year-old class.

Gun Runner cruised to an easy Razorback Handicap victory and punched his ticket to Dubai

He didn't quite peak in the first leg of the Triple Crown as hoped, finishing third to champion Nyquist in the 2016 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1). But while many of his brethren ended up victims of attrition, Gun Runner was taking his lumps race by race and getting better for it all. Instead of being worn out at the end of a dance-every-dance campaign, he bounced out of his runner-up effort in the Nov. 4 Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1) so well he practically forced trainer Steve Asmussen to wheel him back for his winning effort over elders the Nov. 25 Clark Handicap (G1).

"He's been unbelievably consistent. We always felt when he ran as a 3-year-old early on that he would get better and better," said Ron Winchell of Winchell Thoroughbreds. "We were hoping better and better meant the Kentucky Derby, which he did run great in. But it seems as he gets older, he's getting stronger. When he won the Clark, it kind of made us feel like what we thought he was going to do had actually happened. And then he reinforced that down in Arkansas."

The educated opinion from his camp is that Gun Runner still has upside to be unleashed. The 11/4 miles is something that is yet to be determined as a

> distance that truly suits him, and it may be that he gets by on class more than stamina in that final furlong.

> What has never been in doubt is faith that he'll fire against the best of them—his two off-the-board outings over sloppy tracks notwithstanding. Over and over again, he keeps coming up with better answers to increasingly tougher asks.

"Clearly when you look at him, he's bigger, stronger. He looks like more of a filled out racehorse than he did last year," Winchell said. "He hasn't been tested this year really so we'll see with this race and we'll see about the mile and a quarter. He just keeps doing so well, telling everybody he wants to do more. So we're here." BH

# 'FRUSTRATING' CLASSIC **EMPIRE WORKS IN OCALA**

By Mary Reeder

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ough-minded juvenile champion Classic Empire got back to work the morning of March 22, breezing five furlongs in 1:01 2/5 at Winding Oaks Farm near Ocala. The time was not what was important, said assistant trainer Norm Casse, noting that the work alone was the real accomplishment.

The Pioneerof the Nile colt has refused to breeze twice since being scratched Feb. 19 from the March 4 Xpressbet.com Fountain of Youth Stakes (G2) due to a hoof abscess. Most recently he didn't break off to work March 19 at Palm Meadows Training Center in South Florida, which led to his relocation.

"The time is not flashy, the way he did it was not flashy, but the work got done so we are very encouraged," said Casse, who is an assistant to his father and the colt's trainer Mark Casse. "That's why we came up with this Ocala deal. We had decided that if he refused to work again that we would send him to Ocala just to give him a little bit of a change of pace. It seems like it has worked so far and going forward we will probably keep him here another week."

Casse described John Oxley's winner of the Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1) as a sweetheart and professional when it counts, but frustrating to train. At the start of the Hopeful Stakes (G1) last year, Classic Empire wheeled and dumped his rider.

"We've always referred to this horse as a bad boy," Casse said. "He's never been the easiest horse to train. he's always throwing little tricks at you and you kind of got to stay ahead of him."

Classic Empire is trying to regain a solid track toward the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) after finishing third in the Lambholm South Holy Bull



Classic Empire refused to breeze on multiple occasions, but got back to work March 22

Stakes (G2), his only start this year after a nearly perfect juvenile season. The hoof abscess was discovered a couple of days after the loss.

No firm plans have been made as to where Classic Empire will race next, with both the Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (G2) and the Arkansas Derby (G1) being considered.

"So long as he's doing well (at Ocala), (we will) breeze him one more time there and then decide what would be the next best thing for him," Casse added. "We are just trying to go day-to-day and week-to-week with this horse..." BH

# SIX LATE NOMINATIONS TO TRIPLE CROWN

By BloodHorse Staff

odolphin Racing's Thunder Snow, winner of the JUAE 2000 Guineas Sponsored By District One Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum City (G3) at Meydan Feb. 11 and last fall's Criterium International (G1) at Saint-Cloud, heads a group of six 3-year-olds made eligible to compete in the races of the 2017 Triple Crown during the series' late nomination phase that closed March 20.

The late nominees raised total nominations to 425—pending late mail—for the the \$2 million Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) at Churchill Downs, the \$1.5 million Preakness Stakes (G1) at Pimlico Race Course, and the \$1.5 million Belmont Stakes (G1) at Belmont Park.

Late nominations to the Triple Crown required a payment of \$6,000. The early nomination period, during which 419 horses were made eligible for the three-race series, closed Jan. 14 and cost \$600.

The Saeed bin Surgor-trained Thunder Snow is the most accomplished of the late nominees. His stakes triumphs—a 5 3/4-length victory in his dirt debut in the UAE 2000 Guineas and a five-length victory over soft turf at Saint-Cloud—have come in his last two starts. The son of the Australian sire Helmet is scheduled to

face 15 rivals in the \$2 million **UAE Derby Sponsored By** The Saeed & Mohammed Al Naboodah Group (G2) March 25 at Meydan.

The other late nominees to the Triple Crown are Mark Stanley's Hollywood Handsome, a son of Tapizar with one win in six races for trainer Dallas Stewart; Manning Kingdom Stable's new acquisition More Than Words, a Kentucky-bred son of More Than Ready who raced as a juvenile in Peru and is now at Keeneland with trainer Charlie LoPresti: Brad Anderson's Parlor, a winner of two of

three races—all on turf—and an entrant in Saturday's \$500,000 Spiral Stakes (G3) at Turfway Park; and Greco Racing Stable and Michael Cloonan's Rapid Dial, an Ingrid Mason-trained son of Dialed In who scored an easy victory in his lone start at Oaklawn Park March 11; and Roddy Valente's homebred Stretch's Stone, a New York-bred son of Bustin Stones who has collected victories for trainer Bruce Levine in two of his three starts.

Three-year-olds who were not nominated to the Triple Crown during either the early or late nomination phases have a final opportunity to become eligible for the races through payment of a supplemental nomination fee.

Due at the time of entry for either the Kentucky Derby, Preakness, or Belmont, the supplemental fee process makes a horse eligible for the remainder of the Triple Crown series. A supplemental nomination at the time of entry to the Kentucky Derby requires payment of \$200,000. The fee is \$150,000 if paid prior to the Preakness or \$75,000 at time of entry to the Belmont.

Supplemental nominees for the Kentucky Derby are treated the same as original nominees. If one or more supplemental nominees possess sufficient "Road to the Kentucky Derby" points to qualify for the Derby field, they will be allowed to start over original nominees that possess lesser qualifications. BH



**UAE 2000 Guineas winner Thunder Snow** 

# **UAE DERBY FEATURES** JAPAN'S KENTUCKY DERBY QUALIFIER

By Bob Kieckhefer

ast year, the UAE Derby Sponsored by The Saeed & Mohammed Al Naboodah Group (G2) gave Japan's Lani a ticket to the American Triple Crown races, where his best showing was a third in the Belmont Stakes presented by NYRA Bets (G1).

This year, the race features a Japanese runner already qualified for a spot in the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) in the form of Epicharis. Another, Adirato, could earn a spot in the Run for the Roses with a victory Saturday at Meydan Race Course.

Epicharis was guaranteed a spot at Churchill Downs by winning the Feb. 19 Hyacinth Stakes at Tokyo Racecourse—where he became the top points earner on the "Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby."

The winner of the UAE Derby gets 100 points in the main "Road to the Kentucky Derby," enough to ensure a spot in the starting gate May 6. Second through fourth receive 40-20-10.

Epicharis, a son of Gold Allure and grandson of Sunday Silence, breezed over the Meydan dirt the morning of March 22 and trainer Kiyoshi Hagiwara said the colt is "right where we want him." Jockey Christophe Lemaire will have the mount Saturday.

After his victory in the Hyacinth, a spokesman for the owning partnership said no decision about the Kentucky Derby would be made until after the Dubai race.

Adirato, a Rulership colt, won his first two starts in Japan before finishing second in the Hyacinth, threequarters of a length in arrears of Epicharis.

Fourteen other 3-year-olds, including an American pair, also seek the \$1.2 million winners' share of the \$2 million purse plus the 100 Kentucky Derby points.

Todd Pletcher sends Master Plan, a Twirling Candy colt who won the OBS Championship Colts and Geldings at Ocala Training Center in his last start in January after finishing second behind Tapwrit in the Pulpit Stakes at Gulfstream Park.

And Kenny McPeek has Vettori Kin (BRZ), a Brazilian-



Epicharis the morning of March 20 at Meydan Race Course

bred colt by Vettori who was 2-for-3 last fall in his homeland. McPeek has an interest in the group that purchased the colt late last year.

"We're excited about him," McPeek said after March 22 trackwork. "He's a really top horse and trains like a good thing. Being a Southern Hemisphere 3-year-old against Northern Hemisphere 3-year-olds is a good setup for him, too."

Among others, Godolphin Racing, the "home team" at Meydan, has Thunder Snow, an Irish-bred colt by Helmet who raced with distinction in England last fall, then easily won the UAE 2000 Guineas (G3) in his only previous start as a 3-year-old for trainer Saeed bin Suroor.

Cosmo Charlie, from the powerful Doug Watson stable, won the Al Bastakiya on Super Saturday at Meydan and Watson rated him "a good chance" in the Derby.

Lancaster Bomber, a War Front colt trained by Aidan O'Brien, makes his first start since finishing second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf (GIT) at Santa Anita Park. Fawree, a Candy Ride colt trained by South African Mike de Kock, unseated his rider at the start of his final prep for this race, but was impressive in January winning in his second start.

Nomorerichblondes, a Hard Spun filly, won the UAE Oaks in her last start. BH

# SHARP AZTECA ONE TO CATCH IN GODOLPHIN MILE

By Alicia Wincze Hughes

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mong the main things on trainer Jorge Navarro's current wishlist is a challenge.

If he could draw up a dream scenario for the \$1 million Godolphin Mile Sponsored by Meydan Sobha (G2), it would feature some brave foe getting in Sharp Azteca's face and forcing his charge to get a little nasty. Because Navarro believes the more the son of Freud gets pushed—the more he is engaged in a fight—the better the odds that the 4-year-old colt is going to end up prevailing on the other side of the battle.

"We need that company, he needs a challenge. I don't think he likes to be out there by himself," Navarro said. "I don't want him to get too comfortable and be like 'Okay, I'm going to win this race.' I want him to do what he does, go out there and put those fast times up. That is when he is at his best."

Judging his recent race form and morning behavior, Navarro is declaring the current version of Sharp Azteca to be the best he has seen. It is a claim the dark bay runner will aim to back up when he breaks from post 6 in the 13-horse lineup for the March 25 Godolphin Mile at Meydan Race Course.

Navarro's swagger regarding Sharp Azteca has been building for the better part of a year. Purchased by owner Gelfenstein Farm for \$220,000 at the 2015 Ocala Breeders' Sales Co.'s April 2-year-olds in training sale, Sharp Azteca had his conditioner in love with his looks and emboldened enough about his talent that he went about declaring the colt one of the nation's best 3-yearolds following his triumph in the Pat Day Mile Stakes (G3) last May.

Before the colt could further back up that claim, he was hindered by a quarter crack and finished a disappointing fourth in the Woody Stephens Stakes (G2) last June. It took some patience, along with Navarro's skillful blacksmith, to get Sharp Azteca right again. The payoff came in the Feb. 11 Hardacre Mile Gulfstream Park Handicap (G2) when the colt dueled with Blofeld on the front end, then kicked the field in the teeth en route to a 4 1/2-length win.

"It took us a while to get him together, to figure him out," said Navarro, who just missed winning the Dubai



Trainer Jorge Navarro says Sharp Azteca is in fantastic form heading into the Godolphin Mile

Golden Shaheen (G1) last year with X Y Jet. "After the Pat Day, he kind of fell apart going from a mile back to seven-eighths. And that little injury he had was a setback, but I always thought he was that horse.

"That last performance he did at Gulfstream Park, I dreamed of that performance forever. Because I've been talking about this horse for the longest, I'd been calling him one of the best 3-year-olds in the nation. We'll see Saturday night."

Sharp Azteca's tendency to wait on horses once he makes the lead is something Navarro believes cost him when he was caught late by Mind Your Biscuits in the Dec. 26 Malibu Stakes (G1) at Santa Anita Park.

It is not a lapse he will be able to get away with given the likes of graded stakes winners North America and Heavy Metal in the Godolphin Mile. As he came out on the Meydan surface the morning of March 22, though, Navarro saw a horse he believes is more than ready to mix it up.

"You know, up until yesterday he was a gentleman on the track. Today he was on his toes, so I think he's ready," Navarro said. "I think he knows race day is coming. He did things today I didn't like—he tried to wheel there and was backing up coming out of the gate. He's like 'Let me go, I want to do things.' We're just going to let him go have fun." BH



# STRONG U.S. CONTINGENT IN GOLDEN SHAHEEN

By Bob Kieckhefer

he \$2 million Dubai Golden Shaheen Sponsored by Gulf News (G1) on Dubai World Cup night has a tantalizing international twist as American sprinters take on not only the most talented from Dubai but also rivals representing Hong Kong, Japan, and Ireland.

The luck of the draw was not with the U.S. crew, however—a trio that drew inside, outside, and post 12 in a 14-horse field.

Mind Your Biscuits, Stallwalkin' Dude and St. Joe Bay will carry the U.S. banner in the 1,200-meter (about sixfurlong) dirt sprint, which pays \$1.2 million to the winner. Imperial Hint, who bested Stallwalkin' Dude in the General George Stakes (G3) at Laurel Park in their last race, was scratched after spiking a fever upon arrival in the UAE.

Mind Your Biscuits, a 4-year-old Posse colt campaigned by a partnership that includes Head of Plains Partners and trainer Chad Summers, worked his way up from New York-bred maiden company to grade 1 glory in the Malibu Stakes in December. He was second, thanks in part to a disqualification in front of him, in the TwinSpires Breeders' Cup Sprint (G1) at Santa Anita Park last fall.

"He shipped well and is very good right now," Summers said after his charge had an early-week look around at the plush Meydan facility. "I couldn't be happier. I wish the race was tomorrow and I feel very confident."

Jockey Joel Rosario will attempt to plot a trip for Mind Your Biscuits from gate 14.

Stallwalkin' Dude, campaigned by Head of Plains Partners and trainer David Jacobson, was available but not taken for \$50,000 at Aqueduct Racetrack just less than two years ago. Since then, the 7-year-old City Place



Mind Your Biscuits "shipped well and is very good right now," according to trainer Chad Summers

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gelding has finished in the money in 10 graded stakes. He drew the rail for Saturday's contest with Florent Geroux to ride.

Altamira Racing Stable and David Bernsen's St. Joe Bay, a 5-year-old Saint Anddan gelding, has won three straight races in California, one of them in a dead heat and all in short fields with more modest resumes. But trainer Peter Miller said he has progressed steadily since cutting back to sprints. Norberto Arroyo made the trip to Dubai to ride.

"Once he won the first race easy sprinting, there was no point in stretching him back out," Miller said after watching St. Joe Bay breeze early Wednesday. "He showed me that he's a better sprinter."

Hong Kong sends Not Listenin'tome and Dundonnell. The latter, trained by Caspar Fownes, has been in Dubai several months and was in the money twice at the distance of the Golden Shaheen. He worked strongly the morning of March 22. Not Listenin'tome will make his first start on dirt for trainer John Moore after finishing eighth a year ago in the Al Quoz Sprint (G1T).

All of those have to contend with an accomplished local contingent that includes last year's winner, Muarrab. Muarrab has not won since that effort. However, he finished second three times earlier in the Dubai World Cup Carnival, then was a poor sixth behind Morawij in the Mahab al Shimaal (G3) at the course and distance in his last start.

"He won the race last year and has been running well in defeat this season so, with a bit of luck and a good draw, we have to be hopeful," said Ali Rashid Al Rayhi, who recently took over training of Murrab. He, in fact, drew well in gate 6.

Also from the local stables come Morawij and Cool Cowboy, first and second in the Mahab al Shimaal; My Catch, who makes his first start of the year, but bested Muarrab in December; 11-year-old Reynaldothewizard, the 2013 Golden Shaeen winner over the old Tapeta all-weather course; and Godolphin Racing's Comicas. Local training champion Doug Watson handles both Cool Cowboy and My Catch.

Wild Dude, formerly trained in the U.S. by Jerry Hollendorfer, is listed as representing Ireland although his post-American races have been in Korea and Dubai, where he has been on the fringes in his past two starts.

Rounding out the field is 3-year-old Dios Corrida, a winner in Japan but unplaced in his Dubai debut March 4. BH

# KITTEN'S CAT POISED FOR SPIRAL STAKES

By Frank Angst

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itten's Cat, a two-time stakes winner on turf, will try Polytrack for the first time in the \$500,000 JACK Cincinnati Casino Spiral Stakes (G3) March 25 at Turfway Park.

The 11/8-mile Spiral carries 85 qualifying points on the Road to the Kentucky Derby, with a 50-20-10-5 distribution to the top four finishers.

Mike Battaglia installed the Ken and Sarah Ramsey homebred as the 4-1 morning-line favorite for the Spiral, where he will start from post 8. The Kitten's Joy colt enters off a runner-up finish in the Palm Beach Stakes (G3T) March 4 at Gulfstream Park for trainer Joe Sharp. after winning the Kitten's Joy Stakes at Gulfstream in February and taking last year's Juvenile Turf Sprint Stakes on Breeders' Cup weekend at Santa Anita Park.

"His best races have been when he's been outside," Sharp said. "He's gotten more mature and more confident with every race, so I think he would run well from anywhere, but we think he's a little better drawing outside. If I had been able to pick a post I'd have picked the 8, so we're very happy with it. And being the favorite in a \$500,000 race never feels bad."

The Ramseys captured the Spiral for the third time last year with Oscar Nominated, following wins with We Miss Artie (2014) and Dean's Kitten (2010). Luis Saez makes the trip from South Florida to retain the mount on Kitten's Cat.

Also attempting to transfer his winning form from turf to Polytrack is Brad Anderson's Parlor, who earned a stakes placing last year at Kentucky Downs. A son of Lonhro, Parlor won his mid-August debut at Ellis Park before closing with a rush to finish second by a nose in the Sept. 3 Kentucky Downs Juvenile Stakes.

While Parlor was preparing for the Dixiana Bourbon Stakes (G3T) in October at Keeneland, a bone chip was discovered in his right hind ankle. The Eddie Kenneally trainee had the chip surgically removed and was rested for the remainder of the year, then announced his return to form with a clear victory in a turf allowance/ optional claiming race Feb. 22 at Tampa Bay Downs.



Kitten's Cat takes the Feb. 4 Kitten's Joy Stakes at Gulfstream

Mike Maker has entered three: Kendall Hansen's Fast and Accurate off a front-running stakes win on the Gulfstream turf Feb. 20; Three Diamonds Farm's grade 3-placed Shiraz; and Kendall Hansen and Bode Miller's En Hanse, who enters after a runner-up finish in Turfway's March 4 John Battaglia Stakes.

Graham Motion, who saddled Animal Kingdom to victory in the 2011 Spiral before winning the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1), has Flaxman Holdings' homebred Soglio, a son of Scat Daddy who has raced exclusively on turf.

Wachtel Stable and Gary Barber's King and His Court boasts two stakes wins and grade 3-placing on Polytrack last year at Woodbine. Mark Casse looks for the son of Court Vision to bounce back from an off-theboard finish in his first dirt race, the Sam F. Davis Stakes (G3) Feb. 11 at Tampa Bay Downs.

Todd Pletcher entered Mathis Stable's Bronson, who won his debut in June at Monmouth Park and enters off a clear allowance/optional claiming race victory in an off-the-turf race Jan. 29 at Gulfstream.

Points to the Longines Kentucky Oaks (G1) field also will be on the line at Turfway Saturday, with 12 3-yearold fillies entered in the \$100,000 Bourbonette Oaks (G3).

Stonestreet Stables and Fog City Stables' Delphinia will try for a third straight win in the one-mile Bourbonette after securing the first stakes win of her career when she drew off to a seven-length score in the 6 1/2-furlong Cincinnati Trophy Stakes Feb. 4 at Turfway.

Trained by Wesley Ward, Delphinia, by The Factor, will stretch out to two turns for the first time in the Bourbonette, BH



# **DEBERDT, EXCEL BLOODSTOCK** TARGET BARRETTS SALE

By Tracy Gantz

Inique Bella, one of the leading candidates for this year's Longines Kentucky Oaks (G1), put Barretts March consignor Excel Bloodstock in a unique position. At last year's Barretts March select 2-year-old sale, Excel sold Chalon, the only horse to date to defeat Unique Bella, and Spooky Woods, third-place finisher in the March 4 Santa Ysabel Stakes (G3) won by Unique Bella.

Chalon and Spooky Woods epitomize Excel's business plan—the purchase of mid-priced yearlings with the pedigree and athleticism to move forward as both pinhooks and racehorses. Spooky Woods, a \$100,000 buy at the 2015 Keeneland September yearling sale, sold for \$250,000 at Barretts March; while Chalon, acquired for \$32,000 at the 2015 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky fall yearling sale, brought \$110,000 at Barretts.

"We try to buy a nice horse that hopefully we can make some profit on, and hopefully the end user will make a bigger profit on," said Bruno DeBerdt. "We try to buy horses that we think are going to be precocious enough to do well for us in a 2-year-olds in training sale, but more importantly will go on and be good racehorses. There's a lot of fun in being able to buy a young horse and developing it."

Based in Southern California, DeBerdt runs Excel Bloodstock, a partnership consisting of himself, Angelo Ferro, and Larry Connor. Willy North of Ocala, Fla., breaks and trains the horses for Excel.

Though Excel occasionally sells horses elsewhere, it primarily points toward the Barretts March sale. Excel's consignment at this year's Barretts sale, scheduled for March 29, consists of 12 horses (before withdrawals) by such sires as Blame, Pioneerof the Nile, Lemon Drop Kid, and Animal Kingdom. The yearling prices Excel paid range from \$25,000 to \$110,000.

DeBerdt began buying and selling horses while attending college at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. With his wife, Rachel, he also runs Equi Air, an equine shipping company, and worked as a consultant for The Thoroughbred Corp for many years.



**Bruno DeBerdt of Excel Bloodstock** 

In his early pinhooking days, DeBerdt sold the likes of multiple graded stakes winner Olympic Prospect. The son of Northern Jove—Brilliant Future, by Forli, earned \$725,320 in the late 1980s and early 1990s. More recently, Excel sold graded winners Sinister Minister and Havana, graduates of the 2005 and 2013 Barretts March sale, respectively.

DeBerdt purchased Havana (Dunkirk-Missy Turtle, by Kyle's Our Man) for \$50,000 at the 2012 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky fall yearling sale, and Excel sold him to Demi O'Byrne at Barretts March for \$575,000. Havana won the 2013 Foxwoods Champagne Stakes (G1) and finished second to New Year's Day in that year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1).

"I'm very disciplined on our budget," DeBerdt said. "You have to buy value for dollar. It's a lot of work, and you're competing against a lot of very good people. Pinhookers are excellent horse people."

DeBerdt focuses on Barretts because he feels there is a good market on the West Coast.

"There is a big need for racehorses in California," DeBerdt said. "The trainers will shop (Ocala Breeders' Sales Co. sales) very aggressively. They don't always get their orders filled, and they're going to come to California."

Barretts conducted its 2-year-old sales at Fairplex Park in Pomona for many years and DeBerdt praised the quality of that racetrack surface. Now that Fairplex has closed, Barretts holds its 2-year-old sales at Del Mar.

"Del Mar is a great place to sell a 2-year-old," DeBerdt said. "Barretts is going through a transition period with Pomona shutting down. They had to make changes, and it's worked out." BH Share this story

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Tamarando wins the 2013 Del Mar Futurity

# TAMARANDO RETIRED. WILL STAND AT HARRIS FARMS

By BloodHorse Staff

amarando, the 2013 Del Mar Futurity (G1) winner, has been retired from racing and will enter stud this year at Harris Farms in California for a fee of \$2.500 live foal.

Bred and raced by Larry and Marianne Williams, Tamarando won at distances from 5 1/2 furlongs to 1 1/8 miles in his first 10 starts at 2 and 3. He won the Del Mar Futurity in his stakes debut and the Real Quiet Stakes in 2013. He also took the El Camino Real Derby (G3) in 2014, all on synthetic surfaces, and he placed in the 2013 FrontRunner Stakes (G1) on dirt and CashCall Futurity (G1) on synthetic.

The youngest of 15 graded stakes winners by leading California sire Bertrando, Tamarando is out of the grade 2-placed Tamarack Bay. He is a half brother stakes winners Luckarack (Lucky Pulpit) and U'narack (Unusual Heat), in addition to stakes-placed Tamarack Smarty (Smart Strike), Pulmarack (Lucky Pulpit), and Ward 'n Jerry (Lucky Pulpit).

Although he found success early, Tamarando did not win a race after his El Camino Real Derby victory in March of 2014. He placed in five more races, however, including the 2016 Berkeley Handicap (G3) on Golden Gate Fields' synthetic main track. He wrapped up his racing career with a 4-3-7 record from 31 starts and \$722,652 in earnings. BH

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## 📝 INTERNATIONAL REPORT: AUSTRALIA

# SON OF SNITZEL NEXT SUPERSTAR **STALLION?**

By Tara Madgwick

s predicted last week, the group 1 Longines Golden Slipper (G1) was dominated by fillies who filled the trifecta headed by She Will Reign (Manhattan Rain), but this iconic day of Australian racing did produce one superstar stallion prospect.

That 3-year-old, Russian Revolution, resumed from a break to win the group 1 The Galaxy at 1,100 meters (about 5 1/2 furlongs), defeating older sprinters on a punishingly heavy wet track.

The Snitzel colt comes with an international pedigree that may see him emerge as a dual hemisphere sire candidate. He is out of the U.S. import Ballet D'Amour, whose tail female line traces to champion racemare and influential matriarch Fanfreluche.

Prepared by Peter and Paul Snowden, Russian Revolution won his first four starts in succession before ending his spring campaign with a fourth to the best colts in the land in the group 1 Coolmore Stud Stakes at 1,200 meters (about six furlongs).

Appearing to have made good improvement over the summer, Russian Revolution is now poised to pick up the mantle as best 3-year-old sprinter following last week's retirement of star colts Flying Artie (Artie Schiller) and Extreme Choice (Not a Single Doubt) to Newgate Farm.

Russian Revolution races for a partnership that includes China Horse Club, in whose colors he runs, and Newgate Farm, who will ultimately stand him at stud. BH



Snitzel romps in his paddock at Arrowfield Stud in Australia



# THROWBACK THURSDAY

# **SUMMER SQUALL TOOK** SPIRAL PATH TO PREAKNESS

By Tom Hall



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arch 25 marks the 46th running of Turfway Park's prep race for 3-year-olds aspiring to the spring classics, the Spiral Stakes (G3). The nine-furlong event is one of the first true indicators of distance ability for the sophomore—albeit one of the few still contested over an artificial surface.

The race is aptly named. It first became a part of the Northern Kentucky racing scene back in 1972 when Turfway was known as Latonia. Big Dot won the inaugural running, which was known then as the Latonia Spiral Stakes. It has also been known as the Jim Beam Stakes and the Lane's End Stakes before "spiraling" back to its original moniker.

Ten Spiral winners, starting with Inca Roca in 1976, ran in the Kentucky Derby (G1) before any of them won a classic.

When Dogwood Stable's Summer Squall took to the muddy Turfway track for the Jim Beam Stakes on a rainy March 31 in 1990, the bay colt with the elongated "S"shaped blaze was taking his second step on the Triple Crown trail. Trained by Neil Howard, the \$300,000 Keeneland July yearling was an unbeaten 2-year-old, his five-race win streak concluding with a victory in the Hopeful Stakes (G1) at Saratoga Race Course. Injury waylaid the remainder of his juvenile season and he lost championship honors to Rhythm.

Runner-up in the Swale Stakes (G3) at Gulfstream Park, the son of Storm Bird—Weekend Surprise came to Kentucky to test a more-than-seven furlong route for the first time at Turfway. Facing nine other classicwinner wannabes, Summer Squall and jockey Pat Day handled not only the two extra furlongs but a heavy, muddy track to win by 2 1/2 lengths over Bright Again. Another eight lengths back, Yonder finished third.

The time in the testing conditions was 1:49 2/5, just off the 1:49 track record.

Summer Squall parlayed his Jim Beam victory into a Blue Grass Stakes (G2) win at Keeneland before finishing second to Unbridled in the Kentucky Derby.



Summer Squall and regular rider Pat Day

Two weeks later he stood in the Pimlico winner's circle draped with Black-eyed Susans for his Preakness Stakes (G1) victory.

The crack Summer Squall made in the Triple Crown ceiling for those that made the Turfway stop on the Triple Crown trail widened over the next three years. The following year's Spiral victor Hansel won the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes (G1).

In 1992, Lil E. Tee, a son of 1984 Spiral winner and Kentucky Derby third At The Threshold, completed the Spiral graduate Triple Crown by winning the Derby. In 1993, the ill-fated Prairie Bayou finished second in the Derby and won the Preakness before breaking down in the Belmont.

But as quickly as the floodgates had opened, they shut, and 18 years passed before a Spiral winner once again stood in the winner's circle of a classic race. Team Valor's Animal Kingdom, a lightly raced son of Leroidesanimaux, catapulted from Turfway to the Churchill Downs' winner's circle.

Bred by W.S. Farish III and W.S. Kilroy, Summer Squall retired to stud at the place of his birth, Lane's End Farm, where he sired 37 stakes winners from 300 starters (12.3%). His greatest achievement as a stallion came from his third crop. In 1999 his son Charismatic won the first two legs of the Triple Crown. BH



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# **ALLOWANCE RESULTS**

### Gulfstream Park, Race 7, AOC

3/22, \$40,000, 4yo/up, 8f (turf), 1:35.25, course firm. 1-Total Joint, 121, ch g, 5, Tiz Wonderful-Major's Girl, by Purge, \$24,000, O-Mr. Amore Stable, B-Kinsman Farm (FL), T-Jason Servis, J-Paco Lopez

Sale History: 2014 OBSMAR, \$50,000, 2013 FTKJUL, (\$48,000 RNA).

Margin: neck, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Gulfstream Park, Race 9, AOC

3/22, \$48,000, 4yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:43.45, track fast. 1-Maritime Pulpit, 121, b g, 6, Pulpit-Maritime Passion, by Stormy Atlantic, \$24,000, 0-Monster Racing Stables, B-Ben Hutzel (ON), T-Jorge Navarro, J-Emisael Jaramillo Margin: 234, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Penn National, Race 2, ALW

3/22, \$29,500, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:12.91, track fast. 1-Hopeful Times, 119, ch f, 4, Reflect Times (JPN)-Unwavering Hope, by Strong Hope, \$21,240, 0-Joseph E. Besecker, B-Flint W. Stites (PA), T-Timothy C. Kreiser, J-Dana G. Whitney

Margin: neck, 9 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Sunland Park, Race 7, ALW

3/21, \$33,600, 3yo/up, f/m, 5.5f (dirt), 1:03.25, track fast. 1-Rappakuba, 117, ch f, 3, Rapper S S-Kuba a Noqua, by Marquetry, \$20,160, O-Bennie A. Vanecek, B-Lathrop G. Hoffman (NM), T-Henry Dominguez, J-Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr. Margin: 1, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Will Rogers Downs, Race 8, ALW

3/22, \$20,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:38.32, track fast. 1-Inagoodway, 122, ch f, 4, Save Big Money-Truth Takes Time, by Devil His Due, \$14,582, O-Dupy, Steve, Blair, Kent, and Caster, Mike, B-Mike Castor (OK), T-Roger F. Engel, J-Bryan McNeil

Margin: 31/4, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

# **MAIDEN RESULTS**

### Mahoning Valley Racecourse, Race 1, MSW

3/22, \$26,300, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:18.61, track fast. 1-Princess Brooke, 118, ch f, 3, Big Atlantic-Becky Becky Becky, by Pioneering, \$15,780, O-Richard L. Alderson, B-Dick Alderson (OH), T-Larry E. Smith, J-Christian P. Pilares Margin: 734, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Penn National, Race 1, MSW

3/22, \$28,500, 3yo, f, 5.5f (dirt), 1:07.31, track fast. 1-Stay Special, 117, dk b/br f, 3, Stay Thirsty-Special Dream, by Officer, \$17,100, O-Hedus, Nicole and O'Neill, William, B-White Fox Farm (KY), T-William C. Hedus, J-Luis M. Ocasio

Sale History: 2016 OBSJUN, \$22,000, 2015 KEESEP, (\$30,000 RNA).

Margin: 31/4, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Tampa Bay Downs, Race 6, MSW

3/22, \$22,500, 3yo, 8.18f (dirt), 1:41.55, track fast. 1-Anotador, 120, b c, 3, Dialed In-Terrace Road, by Badge of Silver, \$12,000, 0-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, B-Haras Chillon (FL), T-Alfredo Ronso, J-Edwin Gonzalez

Margin: 6, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

### Will Rogers Downs, Race 4, MSW

3/22, \$23,760, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:40.34, track fast. 1-Dakamo Smoke, 122, gr/ro g, 4, Sasha's Prospect-Gardenia (MEX), by Parlando, \$13,812, 0-J. P. Small, B-J. P. Small (OK), T-Kenneth Nolen, J-Quincy Hamilton

Margin: 31/2, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart



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### SAN LUIS REY S. (G2T)

Santa Anita Park, Saturday, March 25, Race 9 12f (turf), \$200,000, 4yo/up, 4:30 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Inordinate	Harlan's Holiday	5/h	Corey S. Nakatani	120	-	Paymaster Racing, LLC
2	Power Foot	Powerscourt (GB)	8/g	Kent J. Desormeaux	120	-	Stepaside Farms, LLC
3	Flamboyant (FR)	Peer Gynt (JPN)	6/g	Brice Blanc	120	-	Bienstock or Winner
4	Ashleyluvssugar	Game Plan	6/g	Gary L. Stevens	124	-	S. Alesia, Bran Jam Stable or Ciaglia Racing, LLC
5	Liam the Charmer	Smart Strike	4/c	Victor Espinoza	120	-	Mr. & Mrs. W. K. Warren, Jr.
6	Syntax (IRE)	Haatef	5/h	Rafael Bejarano	120	-	Matthew Schera
7	Buster Douglas (BRZ)	Yagli	5/h	Santiago Gonzalez	120	-	Quick Road Stable or Haras Interlagos
8	Papacoolpapacool	Temple City	5/g	Edwin A. Maldonado	120	-	Nilforushan or Nilforushan or Snedegar
9	Texas Ryano	Curlin	6/h	Joseph Talamo	124	-	Warren B. Williamson
10	Itsinthepost (FR)	American Post (GB)	5/g	Tyler Baze	120	-	Red Baron's Barn, LLC
11	Some in Tieme (BRZ)	Shirocco (GER)	5/h	Tiago Josue Pereira	120	-	Some In Time, Inc
12	Site Read	Tizdejavu	4/g	Stewart Elliott	120	-	Head of Plains Partners, LLC, Ballis or Lewis

Breeders: 1-Juddmonte Farms Inc; 2-Schow Family Trust; 3-SNC REGNIER & SAN GABRIEL INV. INC.; 4-Estate of Alesia, Bran Jam Stables & Ciaglia Racing LLC; 5-Ron McAnally & Deborah McAnally; 6-Ringfort Stud; 7-Haras Interlagos Ltda; 8-Chesapeake Farm & Gianca Stables; 9-Williamson Racing, LLC; 10-Julien Leaunes; 11-Haras Santa Maria de Araras: 12-Columbiana Farm.

Trainers: 1-Richard Baltas; 2-Neil D. Drysdale; 3-Patrick Gallagher; 4-Peter Eurton; 5-Michael W. McCarthy; 6-Philip D'Amato; 7-Paulo H. Lobo; 8-Philip D'Amato; 9-Carla Gaines; 10-Jeff Mullins; 11-Paulo H. Lobo; 12-Michael W. McCarthy.

### **JACK CINCINNATI CASINO SPIRAL S. (G3)**

Turfway Park, Saturday, March 25, Race 10 9f (all-weather), \$500,000, 3yo, 5:55 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Blueridge Traveler	To Honor and Serve	3/c	Channing Hill	123	-	Horizon Stables (Ross M. Whipple)
2	Soglio	Scat Daddy	3/c	Trevor McCarthy	123	-	Flaxman Holdings, Ltd. (Christoph Klemm)
3	Fast and Accurate	Hansen	3/c	Tyler Gaffalione	123	-	Kendall E. Hansen
4	Convict Pike	Broken Vow	3/c	Angel Cruz	123	-	Ashbrook Farm (Glenn S. Bromagen)
5	Colonel Samsen	Colonel John	3/g	Jose Lezcano	123	-	Casner Racing, LP, Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary and Johnsen, Corey S.
6	Giant Payday	Giant's Causeway	3/c	Chris Landeros	123	-	Lothenbach Stables, Inc. (Robert J. Lothenbach)
7	Shiraz	Tale of the Cat	3/c	Rafael Manuel Hernandez	123	-	Three Diamonds Farm (Kirk Wycoff)
8	Kitten's Cat	Kitten's Joy	3/c	Luis Saez	123	-	Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey
9	Parlor	Lonhro (AUS)	3/c	Jesus Lopez Castanon	123	-	Anderson Thoroughbreds (Brad Anderson)
10	Bronson	Medaglia d'Oro	3/c	Manuel Franco	123	-	Mathis Stable, LLC (Bill and Terry Mathis)
11	King and His Court	Court Vision	3/g	Gary Boulanger	123	-	Wachtel Stable (Adam Wachtel) and Gary Barber
12	En Hanse	Hansen	3/c	Robby Albarado	123	-	Kendall E. Hansen and Bode Miller

Breeders: 1-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd.; 2-Flaxman Holdings Limited; 3-John R. Penn; 4-Rosemont Farm LLC; 5-CJ Thoroughbreds & Casner Racing LP; 6-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd.; 7-Lambholm; 8-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey; 9-Katierich Farms; 10-Ran Jan Racing, Inc.; 11-Patricia Weber & Robert Weber; 12-Kendall E. Hansen, M.D. Racing, LLC.

Trainers: 1-Kenneth G. McPeek; 2-H. Graham Motion; 3-Michael J. Maker; 4-George R. Arnold, II; 5-Eoin G. Harty; 6-lan R. Wilkes; 7-Michael J. Maker; 8-Joe Sharp; 9-Eddie Kenneally; 10-Todd A. Pletcher; 11-Mark E. Casse; 12-Michael J. Maker.

### **BOURBONETTE OAKS (G3)**

Turfway Park, Saturday, March 25, Race 9 8f (all-weather), \$100,000, 3yo f, 5:09 PM (local)

P# PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Northwest Bourbon	Not Bourbon	3/f	Corey J. Lanerie	118	-	Charles E. Fipke
2	Jenna J	Archarcharch	3/f	Rodney A. Prescott	118	-	Greg James
3	Darkwingsoverdubai	Raven's Pass	3/f	Frank T. Alvarado	118	-	KMN Racing, LLC (Kevin Nish)
4	On Her Honor	To Honor and Serve	3/f	Alonso Quinonez	118	-	Alexander Levengood and Greg Kadel
5	China Grove	City Zip	3/f	Julien R. Leparoux	118	-	Katherine G. Ball
6	Delphinia	The Factor	3/f	Julio A. Garcia	118	-	Stonestreet Stables, LLC (Barbara Banke) and Fog City Stables (David Shimmon)
7	Fun	Harlan's Holiday	3/f	Chris Landeros	118	-	Dennis Farkas
8	Gilded Lily	Speightstown	3/f	Tyler Gaffalione	120	-	Tracy Farmer
9	Awesome Boss	Street Boss	3/f	Channing Hill	120	-	Peter J. Callahan
10	Purely a Dream	Pure Prize	3/f	Robby Albarado	118	-	Living the Dream Racing 2015, LLC (Kelly Colliver)
11	l'mluckysgirl	Lookin At Lucky	3/f	Euclyn E. Prentice Jr.	118	-	James T. Spicer
12	Miss O'Hara	Colonel John	3/f	Angel Cruz	118	-	Ashbrook Farm (Glenn S. Bromagen)

Breeders: 1-Charles Fipke; 2-William Snowden; 3-Rabbah Bloodstock, LLC; 4-White Fox Farm; 5-Mike Ball & Katherine Ball; 6-Morris B. Floyd & Gary Layman; 7-Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC; 8-Hill 'N' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc. & N.E.T.P.; 9-Haymarket Farm LLC; 10-James Bredin; 11-Sean Curtin, Anna Curtin & Ashford Stud; 12-

Trainers: 1-Dallas Stewart; 2-Jason G. Cook; 3-Jerry Hollendorfer; 4-Brett T. Santangelo; 5-Ben Colebrook; 6-Wesley A. Ward; 7-lan R. Wilkes; 8-Michael J. Maker; 9-Kenneth G. McPeek; 10-Kenneth G. McPeek; 11-James T. Spicer; 12-George R. Arnold, II.





### **PURPLE MARTIN S.**

Oaklawn Park, Saturday, March 25, Race 9 6f (dirt), \$150,000, 3yo f, 5:09 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner Company of the
1	Vertical Oak	Giant Oak	3/f	Luis Contreras	119	-	J. Kirk & Judy Robison
2	Our Majesty	Majesticperfection	3/f	Ricardo Santana, Jr.	115	-	It's All About The Girls LLC (Anna Seitz)
3	Golden Mischief	Into Mischief	3/f	Geovanni Franco	119	-	L. William & Corinne Heiligbrodt
4	Country Candy	Intimidator	3/f	Ramon A. Vazquez	119	-	Keene Thoroughbreds LLC (Danny Keene)
5	Chanel's Legacy	Dominus	3/f	Alex Birzer	122	-	Poindexter Thoroughbreds LLC (Allen Poindexter)
6	Whistle Stop	Into Mischief	3/f	Declan Cannon	117	-	Penny S. Lauer
7	Hotshot Anna	Trappe Shot	3/f	Jareth Loveberry	117	-	Hugh H. Robertson

Breeders: 1-Millennium Farms; 2-Brereton C. Jones; 3-Fredericka V. Caldwell; 4-Keith I. Asmussen; 5-H. Allen Poindexter; 6-Michael E. Lauer & Penny S. Lauer; 7-Paul Tackett. Trainers: 1-Steven M. Asmussen; 2-Ron Moquett; 3-Steven M. Asmussen; 4-Brett Creighton; 5-Lynn Chleborad; 6-Michael E. Lauer; 7-McLean Robertson.

### **RUSHAWAY S.**

Turfway Park, Saturday, March 25, Race 8 8.5f (all-weather), \$100,000, 3yo, 4:33 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Capture the Glory	Scat Daddy	3/c	Dick Cardenas	118	-	Alli-Ana Racing Stable, LLC
2	Hansenation	Hansen	3/c	Jose Lezcano	120	-	Kendall E. Hansen
3	Montu	Dialed In	3/c	Rodney A. Prescott	118	-	Joseph Deegan, Alfred Pais and Zephyr Racing, LLC
4	Cool Arrow	Into Mischief	3/c	Luis Saez	124	-	Brad Grady
5	Royal by Nature (IRE)	Myboycharlie (IRE)	3/c	Robby Albarado	124	-	Abdullah Saeed Almaddah
6	Gorgeous Kitten	Kitten's Joy	3/c	Rafael Manuel Hernandez	118	-	Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey
7	Sailing Home	Mast Track	3/c	Julien R. Leparoux	118	-	Conrad Farms (Manfred and Penny Conrad)
8	Hey Mike	Cape Blanco (IRE)	3/c	Tyler Gaffalione	118	-	Michael Hui
9	Willamazing	Tizway	3/g	Channing Hill	120	-	Ashby Thoroughbreds (Daniel E. Dixon)

Breeders: 1-Mr. & Mrs. John Liviakis; 2-Moneylane Farms; 3-Ladyswell Bloodstock LLC; 4-H. Allen Poindexter; 5-Sheik Abdullah Saeed Almaddah; 6-Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey; 7-Andy Stronach; 8-Michael Hui; 9-Ashby Thoroughbreds.

Trainers: 1-Will Gallagher; 2-Michael J. Maker; 3-Joseph Deegan; 4-Joe Sharp; 5-Brad H. Cox; 6-Michael J. Maker; 7-Mark E. Casse; 8-Michael J. Maker; 9-Kellyn

### CICADA S.

Aqueduct, Saturday, March 25, Race 3 6f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo f, 2:20 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Wilburnmoney	Wilburn	3/f	Angel S. Arroyo	116	-	Bob Petersons Stables, LLC and Bellavia, Frank
2	Heavenly Score	Even the Score	3/f	Rajiv Maragh	114	-	Curragh Stables
3	Tiz Rae Anna	Tiz Wonderful	3/f	Rosario Montanez	114	-	Bran Jam Stable and Clark, David W.
4	Sounds Delicious	Yes It's True	3/f	Cornelio H. Velasquez	116	-	Stud El Aguila
5	Bluegrass Flag	Bluegrass Cat	3/f	Kendrick Carmouche	114	-	Albrecht, Thomas C. and Fusaro, Vincent J.

Breeders: 1-Clark O. Brewster; 2-McDowell Farm; 3-Diana Shoop; 4-Eric A. DelValle; 5-Susanne Hooper, James Hooper & Thomas Albrecht.

Trainers: 1-Gary P. Gullo; 2-John P. Terranova, II; 3-John T. Toscano, Jr.; 4-Linda Rice; 5-Thomas Morley.

### **SUNLAND DERBY (G3)**

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 9 9f (dirt), \$800,000, 3yo, 5:28 PM (local)

P# PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Shareholder Value	Uncle Mo	3/c	Javier Castellano	122	-	Klaravich Stables, Inc and William Lawrence
2	Hedge Fund	Super Saver	3/c	Jose L. Ortiz	122	-	WinStar Farm, LLC., China Horse Club and SF Racing
3	Bronze Age	Mineshaft	3/c	Martin Garcia	122	-	Juddmonte Farms, Inc.
4	Oxford Lane	Into Mischief	3/c	Richard E. Eramia	122	-	Walking L Thoroughbreds
5	Irap	Tiznow	3/c	Mario Gutierrez	122	-	Reddam Racing LLC
6	Dilettante	Unbridled's Song	3/c	Gary L. Stevens	122	-	Calumet Farm
7	Kimbear	Temple City	3/c	Joseph Talamo	122	-	Albert, Rory, Kruljac, Eric, Lewkowitz, Frank and Lewkowitz, Karen
8	Wine N Divine	Divine Park	3/g	Miguel A. Perez	122	-	Greg Green, Darwin Green and Jeff Anderson
9	Hence	Street Boss	3/c	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	122	-	Calumet Farm
10	Balandeen	Bernardini	3/c	Channing Hill	122	-	Joey K. Davis
11	Total Tap	Candy Ride (ARG)	3/c	Florent Geroux	122	-	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC
12	Conquest Mo Money	Uncle Mo	3/c	Jorge Carreno	122	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)

Breeders: 1-Zell Family Trust; 2-WinStar Farm, LLC; 3-Gasp Breeding Syndicate, LLC; 4-John Mulholland & Martha Jane Mulholland; 5-Aaron & Marie Jones; 6-Donald R. Dizney, LLC & The Unbridled's Song Syndicate; 7-John C. Oxley; 8-Brereton C. Jones; 9-Calumet Farm; 10-Aaron & Marie Jones; 11-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; 12-Twin Creeks Farm.

Trainers: 1-Thomas M. Amoss; 2-Todd A. Pletcher; 3-Bob Baffert; 4-Kenneth G. McPeek; 5-Doug F. O'Neill; 6-D. Wayne Lukas; 7-J. Eric Kruljac; 8-Greg Green; 9-Steven M. Asmussen; 10-Chris A. Hartman; 11-Steven M. Asmussen; 12-Miguel L. Hernandez.





### **SUNLAND PARK OAKS**

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 7 8.5f (dirt), \$200,000, 3yo f, 4:18 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Noted and Quoted	The Factor	3/f	Martin Garcia	121	-	Speedway Stable LLC
2	McKenzie Honey	Parading	3/f	Jorge Martin Bourdieu	121	-	Eakin, Barbara, Nance, Jonathan and Smith, Steve A.
3	Ghalia	Medaglia d'Oro	3/f	Jose L. Ortiz	121	-	Sumaya U.S. Stable
4	Soft Cheese	Quality Road	3/f	Richard E. Eramia	121	-	Catalyst Stable, G2 Associates and Magdalena Racing
5	Kell Paso	Divine Park	3/f	Ry Eikleberry	121	-	William K. Goode
6	What What What	Archarcharch	3/f	Mario Gutierrez	121	-	Sentel, Ken and Scherer, Merrill R.
7	Conquest Slayer	Scat Daddy	3/f	Miguel A. Perez	121	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)

Breeders: 1-Gilbert G. Campbell; 2-University Of Kentucky; 3-Edward A. Seltzer, Beverly Anderson & Darley; 4-Catalyst Stable, G2 Associates LLC & Magdalena Racing; 5-Brereton C. Jones; 6-Gregory William Roberts & Stelly Stables, LLC; 7-HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC.

Trainers: 1-Bob Baffert; 2-Jonathan Nance; 3-Todd A. Pletcher; 4-Kenneth G. McPeek; 5-Greg Green; 6-Doug F. O'Neill; 7-Miguel L. Hernandez.

### **NEW MEXICO BREEDERS' OAKS**

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 3 8.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo f, 2:22 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Forgivnessis Pwr	Shame On Charlie	3/f	Ameth Gonzalez	121	-	Barbara J. Brown
2	Sippin	Swissle Stick	3/f	Tracy J. Hebert	121	-	R. D. Hubbard
3	McAway	McKenna's Justice	3/f	Alejandro Medellin	121	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)
4	Rolling Star	Roll Hennessy Roll	3/f	Martin Garcia	121	-	Charles W. Hunter
5	lvy Gimlet	Diabolical	3/f	Javier Castellano	121	-	J. Kirk and Judy Robison
6	Pink Cadillac	Diabolical	3/f	Ken S. Tohill	121	-	J. Kirk and Judy Robison
7	Frosty	Attila's Storm	3/f	Ry Eikleberry	121	-	Pat Aguilar and Steve Wilson

Breeders: 1-Brondo R Moseley; 2-R. D. Hubbard; 3-McKenna Thoroughbreds LLC; 4-Charles Hunter; 5-J. Kirk Robison & Judy Robison; 6-J. Kirk Robison & Judy R son; 7-Donnell Echols.

Trainers: 1-Barbara Jean Brown; 2-Todd W. Fincher; 3-Miguel L. Hernandez; 4-Todd W. Fincher; 5-Henry Dominguez; 6-Joel H. Marr; 7-Henry Dominguez.

### LA CONEJA S.

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 4 5.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 4yo/up f/m, 2:50 PM (local)

P# PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Tilla Cat	Attila's Storm	4/f	Javier Castellano	119	-	Dale Taylor, Lee R. Lewis, Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant and Derrol Hubbard
2	Bloss	Diabolical	4/f	Frank Reyes	119	-	Tony E. Sedillo and Javier V. Beltran
3	Tijuana	Devon Lane	4/f	Martin Garcia	119	-	Brooks, J., Bryant, S., Taylor, D., Rushing, T., Lewis, L. and Hubbard, D.
4	Woodacouldadid	Minister Eric	6/m	Elvin Gonzalez	119	-	Terrine G. Ransier
5	My Bikini Fell Off	Elusive Jazz	6/m	Ry Eikleberry	122	-	Brian Mundell
6	She Devil	Diabolical	5/m	Roimes Chirinos	119	-	Roger K. Beasley and Miles Johnson
7	Bryn's Fancy Pants	Southwestern Heat	4/f	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	122	-	Dale Taylor, Carey Taylor and Jon Hogg
8	Diabolical Dame	Diabolical	5/m	Tracy J. Hebert	122	-	Joe Dee Brooks, Scott Bryant and Derrol Hubbard
9	Indian Tiva	Shame On Charlie	4/f	Ameth Gonzalez	119	-	Barbara J. Brown

Breeders: 1-Robert Driggers & Del Rae Driggers; 2-Diana Bringhurst; 3-Robert Driggers & Del Rae Driggers; 4-Terrine Gale Ransier; 5-Brian Mundell; 6-Roger Beasley; 7-Dale Taylor & Debbie Taylor; 8-Fred Alexander, Todd Fincher & Brad King; 9-Barbara Brown.

Trainers: 1-Todd W. Fincher; 2-Tony E. Sedillo; 3-Todd W. Fincher; 4-Jose R. Gonzalez, Jr.; 5-Bart G. Hone; 6-Ross A. Amestoy; 7-Todd W. Fincher; 8-Todd W. Fincher; 9-Barbara Jean Brown.



### **BILL THOMAS MEMORIAL S.**

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 5 6.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo/up, 3:19 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Redneck Humor	Da Stoops	6/g	Miguel A. Perez	122	-	Vanessa Evans, Earl Neugebauer and K. W. Sharp
2	Real Heat	Unusual Heat	7/g	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	118	-	Gino Roncelli
3	Mt Veeder	Ghostzapper	4/g	Martin Garcia	118	-	Bill Tomasic and Go-To-Toga Racing, LLC
4	Indexical	Latent Heat	6/r	Elvin Gonzalez	118	-	Teed Off Stable LLC (John Wilkins et al) and Chris Aulds
5	Toews On Ice	Archarcharch	4/c	Roimes Chirinos	120	-	Gino Roncelli
6	Rockport Kat	Rockport Harbor	5/g	Jose L. Ortiz	120	-	M and M Racing
7	Quijote	Pomeroy	4/g	Javier Castellano	120	-	Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc.

Breeders: 1-Jacks or Better Farm Inc.; 2-Madeline Auerbach & Barry Abrams; 3-Hans Poetsch; 4-Mrs. Ellen B. Kill Kelley; 5-Lakland Farm; 6-H. Allen Poindexter; 7-Ramiro Rosas Medina.

Trainers: 1-Justin R. Evans; 2-Justin R. Evans; 3-Justin R. Evans; 4-Bart G. Hone; 5-Justin R. Evans; 6-Robertino Diodoro; 7-Thomas M. Amoss.

### **NEW MEXICO BREEDERS' DERBY**

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 6 8.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo, 3:48 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Reining Pesos	Attila's Storm	3/g	Ry Eikleberry	122	-	Stephen Fidel and Kenneth Corazza
2	Waki's Pride	Waki Indy	3/g	Enrique Portillo Gomez	122	-	Kathy Joslin
3	Dom Strait	Dominique's Cat	3/g	Miguel A. Perez	122	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)
4	Tiza Roll	Roll Hennessy Roll	3/g	Jose L. Ortiz	122	-	Clifford C. Lambert, Sr. and Derrell Riggan
5	El Tule	Touchdown Ky	3/c	Ricardo Jaime	122	-	Jose Luis Chavez
6	Muster	Western Gambler	3/g	Martin Garcia	122	-	S. Ed Wright, Tracy Haymes and Todd Beedy
7	lze On Tickle	Attila's Storm	3/g	Elvin Gonzalez	122	-	Gaylon McGee
8	Hute	Western Gambler	3/g	Ken S. Tohill	122	-	Michael C. Stinson
9	Go for a Stroll	Attila's Storm	3/g	Tracy J. Hebert	122	-	R. D. Hubbard
10	Storming Back	Attila's Storm	3/g	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	122	-	Dale F. Taylor
11	He's Another Who	Quinton's Gold	3/g	Javier Castellano	122	-	Champion Racing Stable (Rickey C. Cundiff et al)
12	Go Gotta Go	Mr. Trieste	3/g	Roimes Chirinos	122	-	Maurcenia Cross

Breeders: 1-Steve Fidel & Kenneth L. Corazza; 2-Harry Joseph Allen; 3-McKenna Thoroughbreds LLC; 4-Derrill Riggan; 5-Michael Fuhs & Jeanne Fuhs; 6-Michael C Stinson; 7-Gaylon McGee; 8-Michael C Stinson; 9-R. D. Hubbard; 10-Dale Taylor; 11-Sam E Stevens & Sammy L Stevens; 12-Maurcenia Cross & Gary Cross.

Trainers: 1-Jose R. Gonzalez, Jr.; 2-Henry Dominguez; 3-Miguel L. Hernandez; 4-Clifford C. Lambert, Sr.; 5-Phillip R. Sanchez; 6-Joel H. Marr; 7-Bart G. Hone; 8-Joel H. Marr; 9-Todd W. Fincher; 10-Todd W. Fincher; 11-Casey T. Lambert; 12-Gary W. Cross.

### HARRY HENSON H.

Sunland Park, Sunday, March 26, Race 8 8f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo/up f/m, 4:53 PM (local)

P#PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Catsadiva	Tale of the Cat	4/f	Jose L. Ortiz	116	-	Low, Lawana L. and Robert E.
2	Peppy Miller	Fusaichi Pegasus	7/m	Ry Eikleberry	116	-	Raymond E. McElhaney
3	Danzatrice	Dunkirk	5/m	Florent Geroux	122	-	Gainesway Stable (Antony Beck)
4	Perfecta	Pleasantly Perfect	8/m	Elvin Gonzalez	117	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)
5	African Rose	Bwana Charlie	8/m	Miguel A. Perez	123	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)
6	Warrens Puppy Love	Mongol Warrior	6/m	Duane Lee Sterling	116	-	Donna J. Eaton
7	Bright Town	Speightstown	7/m	Ruby Gonzalez	115	-	Tricar Stables, Inc. (Daniel Cardenas et al)
8	Minster'sadventure	Ministers Wild Cat	5/m	Javier Castellano	116	-	Tommy Town Thoroughbred LLC. (Tommy Stull et al)
9	Conquest Artura	Artie Schiller	5/m	Ken S. Tohill	113	-	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom McKenna et. al.)
10	K P Wildcat	Include	4/f	Roimes Chirinos	122	-	Karl G. Pergola

Breeders: 1-C. Kidder & N. Cole; 2-Robert Pierz; 3-Glenn Justiss; 4-Wertheimer Et Frere; 5-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable; 6-Benjamin C. Warren; 7-Lochlow Farm; 8-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC; 9-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds; 10-Cloyce C. Clark Jr..

Trainers: 1-Todd A. Pletcher; 2-Kevin Eikleberry; 3-Steven M. Asmussen; 4-Miguel L. Hernandez; 5-Miguel L. Hernandez; 6-Nancy Summers; 7-Sal Gonzalez; 8-Henry Dominguez; 9-Miguel L. Hernandez; 10-Weston Martin.



# **TOP BREEDERS**

Listed below are the top 10 leading breeders by 2017 North American earnings through March 21, 2017. Racing statistics are 2017 North American only.

Rank	Name	Starts	Wins	<b>Places</b>	Shows	<b>Earnings</b>	Win%	WPS%
1	Clearsky Farms	44	9	7	6	\$7,239,346	20%	50%
2	Adena Springs	200	29	34	24	\$2,908,069	15%	44%
3	Jones Brereton C.	303	48	38	31	\$1,283,038	16%	39%
4	WinStar Farm, LLC	267	38	38	40	\$1,211,545	14%	43%
5	Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey	280	51	35	33	\$1,037,710	18%	43%
6	Anthony Edwin	11	0	1	2	\$1,012,635	0%	27%
7	Calumet Farm	175	24	24	13	\$962,630	14%	35%
8	Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC	123	21	15	13	\$804,970	17%	40%
9	Dixiana Farms LLC	113	17	16	19	\$753,714	15%	46%
10	Darley	115	21	11	14	\$739,157	18%	40%

# **2017 SECOND-CROP SIRES**

Listed below are the top 10 leading second-crop sires by 2017 Northern Hemisphere earnings through March 21, 2017. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America, and have runners in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2017 Northern Hemisphere only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'17 Stud Fee	Farm	<b>Chief Earner (Earnings)</b>	'17 Earnings
1	Shackleford	Forestry, '08	\$15,000	Darby Dan Farm, KY	Malagacy (\$586,800)	\$1,062,410
2	Stay Thirsty	Bernardini, '08	\$10,000	Ashford Stud, KY	Cosmo Charlie (\$175,000)	\$734,807
3	Dialed In	Mineshaft, '08	\$15,000	Darby Dan Farm, KY	Gunnevera (\$304,200)	\$650,599
4	Maclean's Music	Distorted Humor, '08	\$8,500	Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY	Rockshaw (\$119,400)	\$572,384
5	The Factor	War Front, '08	\$25,000	Lane's End, KY	Cistron (\$43,140)	\$503,966
6	Gemologist	Tiznow, '09	\$25,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	Appalachian Gem (\$57,000)	\$457,188
7	Tapizar	Tapit, '08	\$15,000	Gainesway, KY	Greek Prince (\$48,720)	\$432,884
8	Bodemeister	Empire Maker, '09	\$25,000	WinStar Farm LLC, KY	O Dionysus (\$80,000)	\$416,695
9	To Honor and Serve	Bernardini, '08	\$10,000	Gainesway, KY	State of Honor (\$108,800)	\$398,503
10	Hansen	Tapit, '09	N/A	N/A	En Hanse (\$49,180)	\$393,300

# **2017 TURF SIRES**

Listed below are the top 10 leading sires by 2017 North American turf earnings through March 21, 2017. Only stallions that have at least one turf runner in North America are included. Racing statistics are 2017 North American only.

Rank	Stallion	Sire, YOB	'17 Stud Fee	Farm	Chief Earner (Earnings)	'17 Turf Earnings	% Total Earnings
1	Kitten's Joy	El Prado, '01	\$100,000	Ramsey Farm, Inc., KY	Kitten's Cat (\$84,810)	\$1,068,462	83%
2	Tapit	Pulpit, '01	\$300,000	Gainesway, KY	Dream Dancing (\$90,760)	\$651,692	28%
3	Scat Daddy	Johannesburg, '04	Died	N/A	Conquest Farenheit (\$94,800)	\$471,199	41%
4	Wildcat Heir	Forest Wildcat, '00	Died	N/A	Pay Any Price (\$64,453)	\$428,990	32%
5	Temple City	Dynaformer, '05	\$15,000	Spendthrift Farm, KY	Bolo (\$168,000)	\$426,896	64%
6	English Channel	Smart Strike, '02	\$25,000	Calumet Farm, KY	Heart to Heart (\$98,580)	\$366,794	64%
7	Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado, '99	\$150,000	Darley, KY	Dickinson (\$216,630)	\$351,302	50%
8	Unusual Heat	Nureyev, '90	Pnsd	N/A	Shehastheritestuff (\$58,240)	\$346,500	50%
9	Giant's Causeway	Storm Cat, '97	\$75,000	Ashford Stud, KY	Beach View (\$44,800)	\$340,920	41%
10	War Front	Danzig, '02	\$250,000	Claiborne Farm, KY	Compelled (\$39,200)	\$340,850	52%