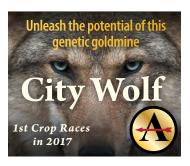
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LA CORONEL MUCH THE BEST IN **APPALACHIAN**

By Alicia Wincze Hughes

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er connections have never been shy about hanging the weight of expectations on La Coronel's shoulders. During her juvenile season, trainer Mark Casse was already invoking the filly's name in the same breath as the 2015 Canadian Horse of the Year with whom she shares a barn. And even when she drew the worst of post positions in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf (G1T) last November, the thinking was that if any youngster had the talent to overcome such a poor starting spot, it was John Oxley's dark bay distaffer.

More than five months after falling short in that Breeders' Cup, La Coronel got her redemption by

proving much the best over those who were best in November when she drew clear by 3 1/4 lengths in the Keeneland stretch to win the \$125,000 Appalachian Stakes Presented by Japan Racing Association (G3T) April 13.

Though technically a grade 3, the one-mile Appalachian assembled a top-level bunch that was a reunion of last fall's Juvenile Fillies Turf with four of the top six finishers from that test in the 11-horse field, including winner New Money Honey and runner-up Coasted.

La Coronel ended up sixth as the betting favorite Nov. 4 after getting an extremely wide trip out of post 13—a result that particularly stung Casse given he had deemed the daughter of Colonel John "the next Catch a Glimpse" in reference to the 2015 Juvenile Fillies

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La Coronel pulls away to win the Appalachian by 3 1/4 lengths

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APRIL 9 After his impressive performance in the Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airline (G1), Arrogate (134 rating) finds himself alone atop the second edition of the Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings for 2017.

GULFSTREAM REGISTERS RECORD AVERAGE DAILY HANDLE Gulfstream Park registered record daily average all-sources handle of just under \$10 million a day for its 2016-2017 championship meet that concluded April 2.

DOZEN CONGRESS MEMBERS SUPPORT IRS
REPORTING CHANGES Twelve members of
Congress have signed a letter delivered to the
Department of Treasury requesting recently
proposed IRS regulations relating to the way
pari-mutuel winnings are calculated for tax
withholding and reporting purposes be finalized.

FASIG-TIPTON CATALOGS 575 FOR MIDLANTIC

SALE Fasig-Tipton has cataloged 575 entries for its Midlantic 2-year-olds in training sale to be held May 22-23 at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium.

NOMINATIONS TO OPEN FOR THE SECOND

TIEA Nominations for the second Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards, principally sponsored by Godolphin, open May 8. They can be submitted until Aug. 1.

UPCOMING NEW BOLTON LECTURE FOCUSES

ON LAMINITIS Dr. Andrew van Eps, Associate Professor of Equine Musculoskeletal Research at New Bolton Center, will discuss different approaches for successful prevention and treatment of laminitis, as part of the First Tuesday Lecture series May 2.



LA CORONEL MUCH THE BEST IN APPALACHIAN

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winner. After getting her back home, however, they discovered the post position wasn't La Coronel's only excuse that day as she ended up having minor surgery to remove chips in both knees.

"She's an amazing horse. I hadn't really said anything to anybody but she had double knee surgery after the Breeders' Cup," said Casse, who also saddled Catch a Glimpse to victory in the 2016 edition of the Appalachian. "For her to come back and do what she's done is amazing. She's an extremely, extremely talented horse. (Jockey) Florent (Geroux) said he only let her run for about an eighth of a mile.

"This was the toughest grade 3 I've ever seen. But she went to Ocala as a little girl this winter and came back a lady. I'm proud of her... and this was definitely a team effort."

Where New Money Honey hadn't raced since her Breeders' Cup triumph, La Coronel was able to get some fitness under her belt heading into the Appalachian. She ran second by a neck during her seasonal bow in the March 11 Florida Oaks (G3T) at Tampa Bay Downs.

Geroux took some heat for his ride on La Coronel in that outing, but the reinsman was on point in his handling of the 7-2 second choice in the Appalachian. He also won the race last year aboard Catch a Glimpse.

Breaking from post 2, Geroux rated his filly off the rail in third as 77-1 longshot Like a Hurricane took the field through an opening quarter in :23.89 and a half in :49.13 on the firm turf. With a quarter mile to run, Rusty Arnold trainee Morticia ranged up from her stalking position and took a brief lead in midstretch, but the advantage was short lived once La Coronel found room between that one and the tiring pacesetter.

With nothing but daylight between her and the wire, La Coronel flaunted the same kick that drove her to a handy victory in the JPMorgan Chase Jessamine Stakes (G3T) over the Keeneland course in October, hitting the line in 1:37.12.

"I'm thrilled, I'm in orbit right now," said Oxley, who earned a Keeneland Tray in recognition of his eighth graded stakes win at the track and also has reigning juvenile champion Classic Empire set to run in the Arkansas Derby (G1) April 15. "It was a great ride and this filly is just exceptional. I've been running here at Keeneland since the 1970s and I never thought about even getting to this point to win the tray. It's just an honor."

Morticia ran a big race after sitting second off the early fractions to hold for runner-up honors, edging Proctor's Ledge by a head. Graded stakes winner Dream Dancing, who is also owned by Oxley and trained by Casse, ran on to get fourth with Bellavais fifth and New Money Honey never finding her rhythm as she came home sixth.

"I am disappointed. She had been training so well," said Chad Brown, trainer of New Money Honey. "We'll bring her back to Belmont Park and race her there on a course we know she likes. I can't use the layoff as an excuse because she had been training so well and our team is so good at getting them ready. (Jockey Javier Castellano) just didn't have any horse turning for home."

La Coronel paid \$9.40, \$5.20, and \$3.60 across the board. G. Watts Humphrey Jr.'s Morticia, sent off at 34-1, paid \$28.40 to place and \$13.80 to show in her graded stakes debut. Patricia Moseley's Proctor's Ledge returned \$8 to show in her stakes debut.

Bred in Kentucky by Kim Nardelli, Rodney Nardelli, Susan Bunning, and A. Jaffreys and B. Jaffreys, La Coronel improved her record to three wins from seven starts, though her first two losses came on dirt. Having solidified Casse's belief that she has what it takes to be the best turf female of her class, La Coronel could face males next time out.

"I'm thinking about it. You may see her run at Churchill (in the grade 2 American Turf May 6)," Casse said. "We've been known to take on the colts before so we may do that." BH

FLAT DRUNK IS FIRST STARTER, WINNER FOR FLAT OUT

By Alicia Wincze Hughes

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pendthrift Farm's freshman stallion Flat Out is batting 1.000 after his first starter, aptly named filly Flat Drunk, became his first winner April 13 in the first race on the card at Keeneland, a \$60,000 maiden special weight for 2-year-old fillies.

Trained by John Hancock and owned by Donna Hancock along with the filly's co-breeders Gray and Brvan Lyster, Flat Drunk is the first foal out of the unraced Lion Heart mare Feline Flatline, who is out of the multiple graded stakes-placed mare Jinny's Gold. Though Feline Flatline never had the chance to prove herself on the track, she is a half sister to grade 1 winner Sharla Rae and five other winners.

Feline Flatline foaled a Cairo Prince colt last season and has been bred back to Summer Front.

Sent off at 2-1 with Corey Lanerie in the irons, Flat Drunk rated fourth in the eight-horse field through fractions of :22.57 and :46.33 before coming with a fourwide surge in the lane to prevail by a half-length over Shape of You. Final time for the 4 1/2-furlong race was:52.75 over a fast main track. The dark bay filly was bred by Gray, Bryan, and Wayne Lyster and paid \$6.20, \$4.40, and \$3.20 across the board.

Flat Out retired to Spendthrift for 2014 after a career that saw him notch grade 1 wins at ages 5, 6, and 7. Previously trained by Scooter Dickey before being transferred to



Flat Drunk gets up in the final strides to win her debut at Keeneland

the barn of Hall of Fame conditioner Bill Mott, the son of Flatter took the Jockey Club Gold Cup Stakes (G1) in 2011 and 2012 and concluded his racing days with a victory in the 2013 Cigar Mile Handicap (G1) besting a field that included grade 1 winners Private Zone, Verrazano, Groupie Doll, and Goldencents.

He retired with nine wins from 29 starts and earnings of \$3,645,38. Flat Out currently stands at Spendthrift for \$7,000 stands and nurses, and is participating in the farm's popular "Breed Secure" program in 2017 for a fee of \$8,500.

At this year's 2-year-olds in training sales, the six of Flat Out progeny offered so far have been largely well received. He's had three colts bring six-figure prices, topped by a \$400,000 John Oxley purchase at the Fasig-Tipton Gulfstream sale. The high-priced

colt, out of Story Untold (by Old Fashioned), was bred in Kentucky by Machmer Hall and sold for \$50,000 as a yearling to Q Bar J Thoroughbreds.

A Flat Out colt named United Patriot, out of Kim D. (With Approval) was sold by Wavertree Stables as agent for \$155,000 at the Barretts March sale to Dennis O'Neill, the brother of California trainer Doug O'Neill. United Patriot was bred in Oklahoma by Center Hills Farm.

The third six-figure horse, now named I'm the Main Man, also sold at the Gulfstream sale for \$105.000 to agent Scott Lake on behalf of Richard Malouf. Crupi's New Castle Farm consigned the colt out of Miss Accord (A.P. Jet), who was bred in New York by Patricia Calandro and Angela Colyard. BH



CALUMET LOOKING TO GO THREE-DEEP IN DERBY

By Michael Adolphson

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acing reveres Calumet Farm with an unmatched devotion.

The Lexington landmark farm faded from its nonpareil dominance of the mid-to-late 20th century into the proverbial tapestry amid swirling controversy so abhorrent that the sport it gifted so many fond memories seemed to graciously absolve it in return.

Racing fans were content to pat Calumet on the back and leave it to sit quietly in the background, no less appreciated for what it once was, like a decorated war hero grandparent whose senility occasionally blurted out an embarrassing off-color slur.

Then along came Tennessee-based Kentucky native Brad Kelley, a self-made billionaire and fourth-largest land owner in the country, who purchased the farm in 2012 with a vision of revitalization and a return to the excellence that once produced a record eight Kentucky Derby winners.

Ushering in a "black and gold" era—Kelley kept his black with gold chevron-clad Bluegrass Hill silks on Calumet's horses because the famed devil's red and blue were purchased at a 1992 bankruptcy auction the farm took a grass roots approach, despite its principal having all the proverbial green to privately purchase himself a champion or five.

With the dedicated and discerning advice of top bloodstock professional Eddie Kane, now the farm's manager, Calumet invested strategically in broodmares, stamina-laden stallions, and more importantly, the idea of reshaping the iconic estate back into a beacon of brilliance for the long haul.

Five years later that hard work and thoughtful preparation have yielded a trio of homebreds. Todd Pletcher-trained Patch, Keith Desormeaux-trained Sonneteer, and Steve Asmussen-trained Hence could bring the Calumet clan back to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) winner's circle.

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"It feels pretty good," Kane said. "It means a lot that they're homebreds. That was (Kelley's) goal: to breed good horses, raise them, and run them ourselves. We don't buy expensive yearlings, but we like good pedigrees and focus on creating a classic horse.

"It's been a lot of fun to see homebreds run well, and it's a product of Mr. Kellev's vision. He loves the game and is very involved in everything, including choosing the trainers they go to. He really gets a kick out of deciding on the matings, and is obviously doing a great job at that."

Hence, by Street Boss, and Patch, by Union Rags, have all but secured enough points to start in the Run for the Roses. Sonneteer, a graded stakes-placed maiden by Midnight Lute, is on the fringe and must at least hit the board in the April 15 Arkansas Derby (G1) in order to join his old field-mates.

"We have always thought highly of Hence," Kane recalled. "One thing people always say is, the good horses you never remember, because you never had a vet out to look at them. He was flashy and a cool, athletic-looking horse. We like his running style for the Derby. He's out of an A. P. Indy mare, and Mr. Kelley loves that line. We bought the mother in foal to Street Boss and are obviously pleased with the result."



Calumet Farm

Hence is out of the A. P. Indy mare Floating Island, a \$55,000 purchase by Calumet from Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency's consignment to the 2013 Keeneland November breeding stock sale, while Patch was from another daughter of A. P. Indy, Windyindy, a \$180,000 buy from Lane's End at the same sale.

"Patch is just a neat and talented horse," Kane continued. "He lost his (left) eye well after we named him, which is kind of ironic. He was already at Saratoga and Todd called me and said he has an ulcer in his eye and that they had been treating it forever and it just got worse. When he had it removed. Todd said it was a real shame because this guy can really run. So, we sent him back to Florida to re-school him and learn his life as a racehorse with one eye all over again.

"Todd called me later and said.

'this guy hasn't missed a beat'. He has always said he really likes him and we're excited about having him in the Derby. He's a handy horse with good bone and great substance. Watching him in the field as a yearling he was always very athletic and has a good mind. What would have been a major setback for most was just a minor one for this guy."

Patch exits a bang-up second in the Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby (G2), an effort made even more impressive considering it was only his third start, his first around two turns and initial foray against winners.

Hence, on the other hand, is more polished, with six starts, two wins and a powerful victory last out in the Sunland Derby (G3).

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Sonneteer was a bold second last out in the Rebel Stakes (G2), muscling his sizable body up the rail to grab second over more accomplished rivals. He has finished in the money in six of nine starts, but is still seeking his first victory.

"He's doing very good and has the attributes to run in the Derby if he gets there," Kane said. "He's a pretty, imposing horse and is tough, which you need in a 20-horse field. Keith loves him and his excitement keeps us excited about him. He has all intentions of running in the Derby with him if all goes well."

Said triad of Triple Crown contenders are not alone in this considerable crop of homebreds and sale purchases. The gold and black silks have been seen in virtually every Derby prep, to varying degrees of success. Sonic Mule (Pletcher), Wild Shot (Rusty Arnold), Term of Art (Doug O'Neill), Dilettante (D. Wayne Lukas), Silver Bullion (Lukas) and True Timber (Kiaran McLaughlin) have all raced in graded preps, but have not done as well as the aforementioned top three.

Such breadth and visibility point to what is surely to

be an increased classic influence from this new era of Calumet.

Calumet may also be well represented in Derby weekend's second and third-most prestigious events. In the Longines Kentucky Oaks (G1), Vexatious is pointing to the nine-furlong, \$1 million event. A full sister to G1 winner Creative Cause and laster year's Belmont Stakes runner-up Destin, she exits a third in the Twinspires.com Fair Grounds Oaks (G2) and tries to stamp her ticket to Louisville in Friday's Fantasy Stakes (G3) at Oaklawn Park for trainer Neil Drysdale.

Richard Mandella-trained Brazilian triple crown winner Bal a Bali, a recent grade 1 winner of Santa Anita's Kilroe Mile, is likely to partake in the \$500,000 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic (G1T), the traditional race before the Kentucky Derby.

"Neil loves Vexatious and he wouldn't wheel her back (on 13 days' rest) if he didn't think she had a chance," Kane said. "He thinks this filly is going to run well and we hope she does. That last race she was a little keen early and was on the pace and that's not where she wants to be. Hopefully she gets the job done. We think she could be a very good filly."

On the stallion front, one who is generating some buzz on the farm is Calumet's first classic winner

> under the new era. Oxbow, whose first crop is set to race this season. A son of Awesome Again out of a full sister to Tiznow, the gate-to-wire 2013 Preakness Stakes (G1) victor has a combination of pedigree, speed, and stamina that could make him the farm's initial modern star of the breeding shed.

> "We're getting excited about him," Kane continued. "He's getting good reviews and our 2-year-old guys in Florida are saying they look the part. More importantly, they look like they can run all day. He was such a brave horse when he raced and I hope he passes that on.

> "This is what we have been hoping for. It makes getting up in the morning a lot easier and is very exciting. We breed for the classic racehorse running the classic distances." BH



Calumet's Patch breaks his maiden in his second start at Gulfstream Feb. 18

'MORE MATURE' MIDNIGHT STORM **HEADS OAKLAWN**

By Claire Novak

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t's been almost a year since Midnight Storm took his show on the road, and how times have changed.

That was a futile visit to Churchill Downs, resulting in a tired-out seventh after setting the pace in the May 7 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic Stakes (G1T).

This is a raiding trip to Oaklawn Park for a run at the \$750,000 Oaklawn Handicap (G2), a race that comes on the heels of a game runner-up finish in the March 11 Santa Anita Handicap presented by San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino (G1).

From turf to dirt, connections of the 6-vear-old Pioneerof the Nile runner say not just his surface has changed. The horse himself has found wisdom that comes with age, relaxing into his new role as one of the West Coast's top handicap contenders on the main track after already establishing himself as a leading turf miler under the care of trainer Phil D'Amato.

"He's a much different horse now than he was then." said Billy Koch of Little Red Feather Racing, which campaigns Midnight Storm in partnership with majority owner and breeder Alex Venneri. "He's so much more mature. He knows how to shut his engine off. He has gone above and beyond anything we could have imagined, and we're extremely thankful to both Alex and Phil for allowing us to be a part of Midnight Storm."



Midnight Storm looks to win the Oaklawn Handicap off a runner-up finish in the Santa Anita Handicap

Midnight Storm is the 122-pound highweight in a field of seven older horses, but looms over his competition. A grade 1 winner on turf and winner of grade 2 events on both grass and dirt, he has seven graded stakes scores to his credit. Since transitioning to dirt off a third in the Breeders' Cup Mile (G1T), he won the Native Diver Stakes (G3) at Del Mar, took the San Pasqual Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita Park, and missed his grade 1

dirt score by just three-quarters of a length after showing the way in the Big 'Cap last time out.

"He came out of the Big 'Cap really well, and there were a lot of races and plans up for discussion," Koch said. "Ultimately Phil and Alex chose this path. We were in a tough spot, because we weren't sure how many times we wanted to travel. We

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could have stayed home and run in the Californian (G2, April 22). We came close to going to the Charles Town Classic (G2, April 22), but he was just doing so well, and we've heard so many good things about Oaklawn, we thought we'd give it a shot."

Of Midnight Storm's 22 starts, 21 have been in the Golden State.

"You really never know until you ship—how he's going to handle the shipping, how he's going to handle the track," said Koch, who will make his maiden voyage to Oaklawn as well. "There are so many unknowns, but he's doing super, and we're going in with a lot of confidence. For us he has nothing to prove. We're just going to go enjoy the day and do the best we can. No matter what happens in the race, he's a special horse to us. We'll have a small contingent, but we'll be loud for the stretch run."

Stepping up to challenge in the 11/8-mile test are graded stakes winners Madefromlucky and Texas Chrome.

Dual grade 2 winner Madefromlucky is still chasing his first win for Cheyenne Stable, Mac Nichol, and trainer Todd Pletcher since the 2015 West Virginia Derby (G2). The Lookin At Lucky 5-year-old finished third March 18 in Oaklawn's Essex Handicap won by Mor Spirit. In three visits to Oaklawn, he has done no

worse than fourth in the Arkansas Derby (G1) won by American Pharoah. One race prior he was runner-up to the eventual Triple Crown winner in the Rebel Stakes (G2).

Texas Chrome will make his 4-year-old debut for Keene Thoroughbreds and trainer J. R. Caldwell. The Texas-bred Grasshopper colt closed 2016 with a ninth in the Las Vegas Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1) after taking the Super Derby Prelude, Super Derby (G3), and Oklahoma Derby (G3) as part of a three-race win streak. He has been breezing sharply at Oaklawn in preparation for this start.

One with a chance is Danny Caldwell's Illinois-bred old-timer Domain's Rap, a 9-year-old son of Cherokee Rap who ran second in the Essex by 2 1/2 closing lengths. With 63 starts under his girth, the Federico Villafranco-trained gelding is enjoying his best season yet. He won the Fifth Season Stakes to open the year, took a Feburary allowance, finished third in the Razorback Handicap (G3), and placed in the Essex, all at Oaklawn.

Completing the field are a trio of 4-year-olds: Manitoba Derby winner Inside Straight, a son of Super Saver campaigned by Randy Howg and trainer Robertino Diodoro; Calumet Farm's homebred allowance winner Goats Town, trained by Hall of Famer D. Wayne Lukas; and Kay Stillman's Jack Van Bergtrained allowance winner Cutacorner, who has not won since January of 2016. BH



KENTUCKIAN BACK TO STAKES COMPANY IN LOS ANGELES

By Jeremy Balan

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t was a long time between wins for Fox Hill Farm's Kentuckian, but a determined effort by his connections to return him to form came through Feb. 20, when the 5-year-old gray edged Texas Two Step by a neck in a conditional allowance race at Santa Anita Park

Two years ago the son of Tiznow was a lateblooming but promising 3-year-old. He broke his maiden by 11 lengths in his debut at Golden Gate Fields, had a troubled trip and finished third in his stakes debut in the San Pedro Stakes, then romped home in the Lazaro Barrera Stakes (G3), but that was the end of his winning ways for a while.

The Jerry Hollendorfer trainee ran a far-back third in his final 2015 start, the Los Alamitos Derby (G2), before hind-leg issues put him on the sideline for nearly a year. Back to racing in 2016, Kentuckian went winless in three allowance starts, but broke through in his first try of 2017 to show promise once again.

Now Kentuckian will complete his long road back to stakes competition April 15 in Santa Anita's \$100,000 Los Angeles Stakes (G3).

The rest of the five-horse field for the six-furlong sprint is a grab bag. There are no other graded stakes winners in the field, but the Los Angeles does feature two last-out victors at significantly different stages in their careers.

The first is Hollendorfer stablemate lke Walker. who the Hall of Fame trainer claimed for \$50,000 in January. In his two starts since the claim, the Bellamy Road gelding picked up a graded placing with a third in the six-furlong Palos Verdes Stakes (G2), then won an allowance at a mile in March.

The second is Baoma Corp.'s Lord Simba, a 4-yearold Discreet Cat colt trained by Bob Baffert who broke his maiden last time out by eight lengths after finishing second in his first three tries.

Completing the field is recent California-bred stakes runner-up Grazen Sky, who has finished second in both the Nov. 20 Cary Grant and the Feb. 26 Tiznow stakes, and 7-year-old Eastwood, a three-time allowance winner from the East who will make his first start since 2015 and first for trainer Richard Mandella. BH



Kentuckian will complete his long road back to stakes competition April 15

WHITMORE-HOLY BOSS REMATCH IN COUNT FLEET

By Mary Reeder

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lassic contender Whitmore and veteran sprinter → Holy Boss are set for a rematch in the \$400,000 Count Fleet Sprint Handicap (G3) at Oaklawn Park going six furlongs April 15.

Since Robert LaPenta, Harry Rosenblum, and Southern Springs Stables' Whitmore switched to sprinting after finishing next to last in the 2016 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1), he is undefeated in three starts.

Aside from the Kentucky Derby, the son of Pleasantly Perfect finished third or better in all of his sophomore starts last year, including runner-up finishes in the Southwest Stakes (G3) and Rebel Stakes (G2), and a

third in the Arkansas Derby (G1), all on his home track at Oaklawn.

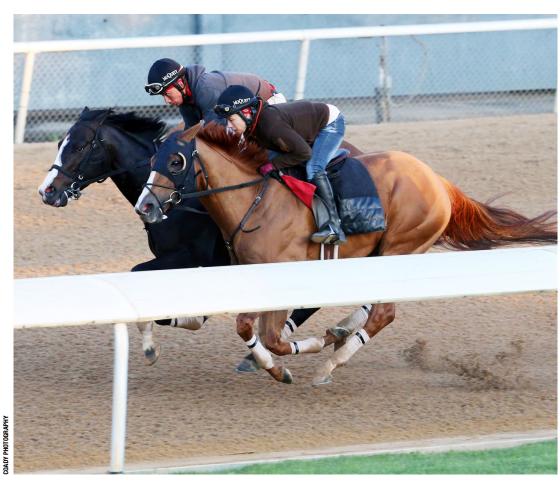
Trainer Ron Moquett, notably frustrated by the colt's near misses. decided to try the colt sprinting and now seems to be on the right path. Last time out in the March 11 Hot Springs Stakes, Whitmore scored by six lengths over grade 3 winner Ivan Fallunovalot, with Holy Boss another 2 3/4 lengths back in fourth.

Jerry Durant's Holy Boss will look to get back to the form he previously held, which saw the son of Street Boss competing at the top level to finish second in the Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap (G1) and fourth in the Vosburgh Stakes (G1).

The field of nine entered in the Count Fleet also includes Hronis Racing's Moe Candy, a son of Candy Ride who has not finished worse than third in seven starts. The 5-year-old trained by John Sadler finished 2 1/4 lengths behind St. Joe Bay in the six-furlong Palos Verdes Stakes (G2) at Santa Anita Park Feb. 4, his only graded stakes attempt.

"He didn't get to the races early—had some issues as a young horse," Sadler said. "But he's a very talented horse."

Sharp Art, a supplemental nominee to the Count Fleet, was claimed for \$40,000 Sept. 30 at Indiana Grand for Robert O'Hara Jr. and Gwyneth Gower. Trained by Matt Kordenbrock, Sharp Art has two wins and two seconds from five starts under his care. BH



Whitmore (inside) trains at Oaklawn Park

BEN'S CAT TO OPEN 11-YEAR-OLD SEASON AT LAUREL

By BloodHorse Staff

ooking to end the longest losing streak of a storied career, multiple grade 3-winning Maryland-bred gelding Ben's Cat will kick off his 11-year-old season in an open \$50,000 allowance race April 16 at Laurel Park.

Bred, owned, and trained by Hall of Fame horseman King Leatherbury, Ben's Cat will break from the rail under current winterspring meet-leading rider Trevor McCarthy in a field of seven set to run 5 1/2 furlongs over the Kelso Turf Course.

The race is the seventh on a nine-race holiday program that begins at 1:10 p.m.

Following a similar blueprint from previous years, Leatherbury is hoping to use Sunday's race as a prep for the \$100,000 Jim McKay Turf Sprint on May 19 at Pimlico Race Course.

"We'll see how he does and if he can cut the mustard. If he comes back in great shape and he runs good in his first start, then we can't help but take another shot at the Jim McKay," Leatherbury said. "That would be logicial, but he's going to have to run a lot better than he did in his last three or four starts. He's sound, so we'll see what he can do."

Ben's Cat, a four-time Marylandbred Horse of the Year with 32 wins, 26 in stakes, and more than \$2.6 million in purse earnings from 60 career starts, returned from his annual winter vacation in late February.



Ben's Cat with Trevor McCarthy after winning the 2016 Jim McKay Turf Sprint in May

Since opening his career in May 2010 with eight straight wins, Ben's Cat had never gone more than three races without a victory until last year.

McCarthy took over as the regular rider for Ben's Cat in 2016, guiding him to two wins from six starts including a fourth straight victory in the Jim McKay. They also finished third in the Pennsylvania Governor's Cup, Parx Dash Stakes (G3) and Mister Diz Stakes before running fifth in the Laurel Dash and sixth in the Maryland Million Sprint Oct. 22, his 10-year-old finale.

"I'm excited about Ben. He's been working great for me and he feels like his old self. I'm really looking forward to riding him in his first race back," McCarthy said. "He really seems to love getting back to racing after being turned out for the winter and he's just such a cool horse. It's amazing that he's 11 years old now. I've been fortunate to get on him. I think last year in the fall he kind of tailed off but he's back and he seems to be in really good form." BH

DOLLARS & SENSE

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SHOW TIME AT OAKLAWN PARK

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In a move designed to build the confidence of new horseplayers while emphasizing that racing offers a different form of gambling from random gaming like the lottery, Oaklawn Park is paying more money for winning on-track show wagers this year.

Bobby Geiger, Oaklawn's director of wagering and simulcasts, said while it's a thrill for new players to hit a Pick 6 or Superfecta, those wins are rare. And for new players, such advanced wagers reinforce the lottery approach to horse racing.

Playing to its strength of large on-track crowds, Oaklawn executives thought show wagering would be the best way to introduce handicapping to the casual, often young, people who show up at the Hot Springs, Ark. track. As a wager that's not too difficult to hit, it's a bet that allows new players to learn that selecting horses is more fun than lotteries or pressing a slot machine button.

To achieve this, the track decided to increase ontrack payouts for show wagers, using the net-pool pricing of tote companies that allows a portion of a wagering pool be assigned a different takeout rate, in this case lower. The approach allows Oaklawn to offer its on-track show wagers at a 10% takeout instead of the standard 17% for off-track outlets.

The track promoted the higher on-track payouts and players responded. The percentage of on-track handle into show pools at this year's meet is 17.76%, up 5.09% compared with last year. Most of that action has come from exotic pools.

"We love our fans. They are great and they come out and have a good time," Geiger said. "A lot of them are newbies and on your first trip to the racetrack, it's just not a lot of fun if you don't cash a ticket.

"So we were thinking, how can we draw people to the easiest ticket there is to cash, which is the show bet. So we came up with this idea of dropping the takeout from 17% to 10% just for on-track show wagers, then promote it and see what happens. And

Oaklawn On-Track Pool Composition Through April 7th, 2017

Pool	2017	2016	% +/-
WIN	23.55%	24.66%	-1.12%
PLACE	12.48%	12.53%	-0.05%
SHOW	17.76%	12.67%	5.09%
WPS	53.79%	49.87%	3.92%
DOUBLE	3.33%	3.76%	-0.43%
EXACTA	21.39%	23.44%	-2.05%
TRIFECTA	10.99%	11.95%	-0.96%
SUPER	6.11%	6.89%	-0.78%
PICK-3	1.71%	1.95%	-0.25%
PICK-5 / PICK-6	1.04%	0.19%	0.84%
PICK-4	1.65%	1.95%	-0.30%
EXOTIC	46.21%	50.13%	-3.92%

it has far exceeded our expectations."

The shifting numbers in terms of action suggests new players are gravitating to the bet. Geiger also has seen more experienced players taking advantage of the good deal.

"One of the most popular bets at Oaklawn this year has been the show parlay. I've been out in the grandstand and there are groups all over—even seasoned players who are still making their super bets and tris-but they also have show parlays running," Geiger said. "That component caught us a little off quard. We weren't really sure that the seasoned, wagering veterans would embrace it as strongly as they have."

Geiger hopes it pays more dividends in coming years as new horseplayers return to test their skills.

"Short-term it's already been a success. But I don't think we'll have the full answer for two or three years because of all of these newbies who came out to Oaklawn and experienced racing in a different way this year. They didn't come out here the first time and try to hit a trifecta or a super, instead they were betting to show and got to enjoy the best part of going to the races: cashing a ticket," Geiger said. "We'll see if they become dependable race fans in the years to come. I think this will be a multi-year study in terms of gauging this as a success or failure." BH



INTERVIEW

KEENELAND OFFICIALS ON NEW BOOK 1 FORMAT

By Ron Mitchell

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his week's MarketWatch interview is with Keeneland's Bill Thomason and Bob Elliston, president and CEO and vice president of sales and racing, respectively, about the association's new format and bonus scheme for Book 1 of the September yearling sale.

BloodHorse MarketWatch: Book 1 of this sale is already a top segment of the yearling market. Why create a bonus scheme for something that is already successful?

Bill Thomason: Keeneland is all about celebrating great accomplishments, which is what we're doing. Obviously a grade 1 race is racing at the highest level, which is what everyone in our business is trying to achieve. It is so important to have the best of those horses here to bring people from all over the world to create the excitement around the sale and what they are getting ready to see.

Because we know that is going to carry into Book 2 and the depth of the market that is here for Book 2. That translates into Book 3 and into Book 4. We care about every level of this market and we know that Book 3 is such a bread-and-butter book as well to so many people in our industry and our community.

Everything we do builds on the next stage of what is coming in this very important world marketplace we have created. We have always thought the most important thing we could do to celebrate and reward that accomplishment—for the seller who have put all that effort and energy into breeding that and horse and then bringing it here and the opportunity for the buyer to take that horse all over the world and compete at that highest level.

Bob Elliston: We have an obligation as a global leader in the Thoroughbred industry to encourage,



Bill Thomason (speaking) and Bob Elliston announce changes to Keeneland September yearling sale Book 1

nurture, and cultivate new investment in the business. We're always seeking to bring additional capital into the business. When you participate at the highest level and you breed a horse like those in Book 1, or you stake the money to buy one of those, you're putting a lot of resources out there to get one.

We need more people willing to do that. We need more investors to come out of the woodwork. The more we can do to entice these folks to come into the business and to win these lucrative enhancements to put that capital at risk that's an obligation we take seriously.

BH: Was there discussion about whether the bonus should be extended to Book 2 horses?

Bob Elliston: When you raise a horse of that caliber and you spend that kind of money to get that horse you deserve a substantial reward. It will be rare occurrence when the rewards get to the \$1.5 million level, that these rewards aren't six figures. Given that, we really don't want a mediocre award. People are paying \$1 million or \$750,000 for these horses and they deserve a significant reward. If you dilute the pool by putting 1,200 horses in for the bonus (then) it turns into a \$10,000 award. But this truly celebrates the highest level of accomplishment in a very difficult business and the reward should be equal to that accomplishment. BH



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\$55,000.

STAKES RESULTS

Appalachian S. Presented by Japan Racing Association (G3T)

Keeneland, 4/13, \$125,000, 3yo, f, 8f (turf), 1:37.12, course firm.

1-La Coronel, 120, dk b/br f, 3 \$75,000 Colonel John-Listen, by Chester House 0-John C. Oxley, B-Kim Nardelli, Rodney Nardelli, Susan Bunning, A. Jaffreys & B. Jaffreys (KY), T-Mark E. Casse, J-Florent Geroux Sale History: 2016 OBSAPR, \$375,000, 2015 FTKOCT, \$37,000, 2014 KEENOV, (\$37,000 RNA).

2-Morticia, 118, b f, 3\$25,000 Twirling Candy—Halloween Party, by Mr. Greeley

0-G. Watts Humphrey, Jr., B-G. Watts Humphrey Jr. & George R. Arnold II (KY), T-George R. Arnold, II, J-Jose Lezcano

Sale History: 2015 FTKOCT, \$45,000.

Ghostzapper-Archstone, by Arch 0-Patricia L. Moseley, B-Patricia L. Moseley

(KY), T-Brendan P. Walsh, J-Corey J. Lanerie

Margins: 31/4, head, 1/2. Others: Dream Dancing (\$6,250), Bellavais (\$3,750), New Money Honey (\$417), Lull (\$417), Journey Home (\$417), Purely a Dream (\$417), Coasted (\$416), Like a Hurricane (\$416). Scratched: Ghostly Presence, Dynatail, View Equibase Chart

Bachelor S.

Oaklawn Park, 4/13, \$150,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:09.09, track fast.

1-Recruiting Ready, 117, b c, 3...... \$90,000 Algorithms-Need, by Strong Hope 0-Sagamore Farm, B-Claiborne Farm (KY),

T-Horacio DePaz, J-Horacio Karamanos Sale History: 2016 FTFFEB, (\$240,000 RNA), 2015 KEESEP, \$110,000.



2-Conquest Wildcat, 119, b c, 3......... \$30,000 Wildcat Heir-Vee Cee Dancing, by Pulpit O-Randy Patterson, B-A. FRANCIS VANLAN-GENDONCK & BARBARA VANLANGENDONCK (FL), T-Randy L. Morse, J-Alex L. Canchari Sale History: 2016 KEENOV, \$95,000, 2015 FTKJUL, \$100,000.

3-Silver Bullion, 115, gr/ro c, 3.......... \$15,000

Pioneerof the Nile-Love Buzz, by Silver

O-Calumet Farm, B-John R. Penn (KY), T-D. Wayne Lukas, J-Ramon A. Vazquez Sale History: 2016 OBSJUN, (\$95,000 RNA), 2015 KEESEP, \$170,000, 2014 KEENOV,

Margins: 51/4, 41/4, nose. Others: Jagged Warrior (\$7,500), Crawford (\$4,500), Carson Kan (\$1,500), Rockshaw (\$1,500). Scratched: Smokin Now. View **Equibase Chart**

ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Aqueduct, Race 3, AOC

4/13, \$67,000, 3yo, f, 8f (turf), 1:36.98, course firm. 1-Dance Queen, 116, dk b/br f, 3, To Honor and Serve-Malibu Moon Dance, by Malibu Moon, \$40,200, 0-Patricia Schuler, B-Foxcroft Farm (KY), T-Thomas M. Bush, J-Junior Alvarado

Margin: nose, 5 starters. View Equibase Chart

Aqueduct, Race 7, AOC

4/13, \$80,000, 3yo/up, 6.5f (dirt), 1:15.82, track fast. 1-Classy Class, 120, b h, 5, Discreetly Mine-Collegiate, by Saarland, \$48,000, O-Chevenne Stables LLC, B-E Paul Robsham Stable LLC (KY), T-Kiaran P. McLaughlin, J-Raiiv

Sale History: 2014 OBSMAR, \$250,000, 2013 KEENOV, \$120,000.

Margin: 2, 4 starters. View Equibase Chart

Charles Town, Race 7, ALW

4/12, \$24,000, 3yo/up, 6.5f (dirt), 1:20.37, track fast. 1-Tampered Character, 120, gr/ro g, 3, Windsor Castle-Miracle Mist, by Stormy Atlantic, \$14,340, 0-Thomas C. Weeks, B-Thomas Weeks (WV), T-Michael Lee Weeks, J-Fredy Peltroche

Margin: 134, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

Evangeline Downs, Race 8, ALW

4/12, \$26,000, 4yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:11.20, track fast. 1-Zackarooney, 120, ch g, 4, K One King-Whats Up World, by World Appeal, \$15,600, O-Dale White, B-Joseph Patin (LA), T-Eduardo Ramirez, J-Colby J. Hernandez Sale History: 2015 EVAMAR, \$17,000.

Margin: 21/4, 9 starters. View Equibase Chart

Gulfstream Park, Race 1, AOC

4/13, \$43,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 5f (turf), :54.74, course firm. 1-Eila, 121, b f, 4, Benny the Bull-Ooh Yeah, by Dismissed, \$28,200, O-A & K Equine, LLC, B-Ben-D Farm South, LLC (FL), T-Ralph E. Nicks, J-Tyler Gaffalione

Sale History: 2015 OBSJUN, \$20,000, 2014 OBSAUG, \$3.000.

Margin: 21/2, 5 starters. View Equibase Chart

Keeneland, Race 5, ALW

4/13, \$72,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 8f (turf), 1:37.05, course firm. 1-Grand Jete (GB), 118, b f, 4, Dansili (GB)-Modern Look (GB), by Zamindar, \$33,120, 0-Juddmonte Farms, Inc., B-JUDDMONTE FARMS LTD (GB), T-Chad C. Brown, J-Joel Rosario

Margin: 41/4, 10 starters, View Equibase Chart

Keeneland, Race 6, AOC

4/13, \$74,000, 4yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:42.89, track fast. 1-Conquest Windycity, 118, dk b/br c, 4, Tiznow-Lasting Appeal, by A.P. Indy, \$44,400, 0-DARRS, Inc., B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY), T-Brendan P. Walsh, J-Luis Saez

Sale History: 2016 KEENOV, \$65,000, 2015 OBSMAR, \$800,000, 2014 FTKOCT, \$320,000.

Margin: 4½, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

Keeneland, Race 7, AOC

4/13, \$74,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:16.91, track fast. 1-Pawleys Express, 120, b m, 5, Afleet Express-Pawley Girl, by Not For Love, \$44,400, O-PHS Racing, LLC, B-PHS Racing LLC (KY), T-Ralph E. Nicks, J-John R. Velazquez Margin: 41/4, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

Oaklawn Park, Race 6, AOC

4/13, \$82,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:10.35, track fast. 1-Care, 124, b f, 4, Trappe Shot-Staff Nurse, by Arch, \$49,200, O-Adele B. Dilschneider, B-Claiborne Farm (KY), T-Albert M. Stall, Jr., J-Ricardo Santana, Jr. Sale History: 2014 KEESEP. \$130.000.



Margin: 1,9 starters. View Equibase Chart

Oaklawn Park, Race 7, AOC

4/13, \$82,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:10.54, track fast. 1-Reckling, 116, dk b/br c, 3, Dialed In-Cash Reserve, by Distorted Humor, \$49,200, 0-Heiligbrodt, L. William and Corinne, B-Dixiana Farms LLC (KY), T-Steven M. Asmussen, J-Luis Contreras

Sale History: 2016 OBSAPR, (\$75,000 RNA), 2015 KEE-JAN. \$70.000.

Margin: 1/2, 8 starters. View Equibase Chart

Penn National, Race 1, ALW

4/13, \$33,300, 4yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:40.81, track fast. 1-Diadema, 119, b m, 5, City Sharpster-Artesania, by Count On Steve, \$19,980, O-Home Team Stables, B-Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Cuprill (PA), T-Scott A. Lake, J-Dana G. Whitney

Margin: 1/2, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart



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Penn National, Race 3, AOC

4/12, \$30,400, 4yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:43.33, track fast. 1-Winning Shot, 119, b g, 6, Giant Gizmo-Tenjectory, by Trajectory, \$18,240, O-Rock Bottom Ranch, B-Paradox Farm, Inc. (ON), T-Sandee D. Martin, J-Dana G. Whitney Sale History: 2012 ONTSEP, \$67,958.



Margin: 3, 4 starters. View Equibase Chart

MAIDEN RESULTS

Charles Town, Race 2, MSW

4/12, \$23,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:22.56, track fast. 1-Zone Defence, 116, dk b/br f, 3, First Defence-Yvecrique (FR), by Epervier Bleu (GB), \$13,800, O-Wildcard Stable, B-Glencrest Farm LLC & R. Bouse (KY), T-Flint W. Stites, J-Jose Montano

Margin: nose, 6 starters, View Equibase Chart

Charles Town, Race 4, MSW

4/12, \$23,000, 3yo, f, 6.5f (dirt), 1:21.92, track fast. 1-Starlight Flight, 123, b f, 3, Astrology-Sudden Desire, by Hennessy, \$13,800, O-Coleswood Farm, Inc., B-Coleswood Farm, Inc. (WV), T-Jeff C. Runco, J-Arnaldo

Bocachica

Margin: 534, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

Charles Town, Race 6, MSW

4/12, \$23,000, 3yo, 7f (dirt), 1:29.35, track fast. 1-Forest Night, 124, dk b/br g, 3, Midnight Lute-Forest Melody, by Forest Camp, \$13,800, 0-G L M Stables, B-Paula Capestro (KY), T-Jeff C. Runco, J-Arnaldo Bocachica **Sale History:** 2015 FTKOCT, \$50,000.

Margin: 11/2, 6 starters. View Equibase Chart

Charles Town, Race 8, MSW

4/12, \$23,000, 3yo/up, 4.5f (dirt), :52.96, track fast. 1-Run Banner, 119, b g, 5, Bop-Banner Key, by Corridor Key, \$13,800, O-Richard P. Harris, Jr., B-Richard P. Harris Jr. (WV), T-Ronney W. Brown, J-Jan C. Batista

Margin: 134, 7 starters. View Equibase Chart

Evangeline Downs, Race 7, MSW

4/12, \$23,000, 3yo, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.91, track fast. 1-Halfflatt, 117, dk b/br g, 3, Half Ours-Tensas Flatt, by Flatter, \$16,200, O-Lee Young Farm, B-Lees Young Farm (LA), T-Patricia G. West, J-Ashley Broussard

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Margin: 4, 9 starters. View Equibase Chart

Gulfstream Park, Race 7, MSW

4/13, \$42,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (turf), :55.63, course firm. 1-Fly Swift, 118, b f, 3, City Zip-Flagrant, by Rahy, \$21,600, O-Catherine M. Wills, B-Dr. Catherine Wills (KY), T-Christophe Clement, J-Tyler Gaffalione

Margin: neck, 8 starters. View Equibase Chart

Keeneland, Race 1, MSW

4/13, \$60,000, 2yo, f, 4.5f (dirt), :52.75, track fast. 1-Flat Drunk, 118, dk b/br f, 2, Flat Out-Feline Flatline, by Lion Heart, \$36,000, O-Hancock, Donna G., Lyster, Gray and Lyster, Bryan, B-Wayne Lyster, Gray Lyster & Bryan Lyster (KY), T-John A. Hancock, J-Corey J. Lanerie

Margin: 1/2, 8 starters. View Equibase Chart

Oaklawn Park, Race 9, MSW

4/12, \$80,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (dirt), 1:45.57, track fast. 1-Crimson Frost, 118, b f, 3, Stormy Atlantic-Rock Jasmine, by Horse Chestnut (SAF), \$48,000, 0-Samuel F. Henderson, B-Joe Mulholland Jr., John Mulholland & Keith Desormeaux (KY), T-Donnie K. Von Hemel, J-Luis S. Qui-

Sale History: 2015 KEESEP, \$10,000.

Margin: 51/2, 12 starters. View Equibase Chart





TODAY'S ENTRIES

APPLE BLOSSOM H. (G1)

Oaklawn Park, Friday, April 14, Race 9

8.5f (dirt), \$600,000, 4yo/up f/m, 5:10 PM (local)

Р#	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Terra Promessa	Curlin	4/f	Jose L. Ortiz	118	8/5	Stonestreet Stables, LLC (Barbara Banke)
2	2	Durango	First Samurai	4/f	Ramon A. Vazquez	112	30/1	Tom R. Durant
3	3	Stellar Wind	Curlin	5/m	Victor Espinoza	122	3/5	Hronis Racing LLC (Kosta Hronis)
4	4	Divine Elegance	Uncle Mo	4/f	Glenn W. Corbett	113	30/1	Ten Strike Racing (Marshall Gramm)
5	5	Tiger Moth	Street Sense	5/m	Ricardo Santana, Jr.	113	15/1	John D. Gunther
6	6	Streamline	Straight Line	5/m	Chris Landeros	117	8/1	Nancy A. Vanier & Cartwright Thoroughbreds V LLC (William J Cartwright)

Breeders: 1–Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC; 2–Debby Oxley; 3–Keswick Stables & Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC; 4–Everett Dobson & Jim Wells; 5–John D. Gunther; 6–Nancy Vanier.

Trainers: 1-Steven M. Asmussen; 2-Randy L. Morse; 3-John W. Sadler; 4-Randy Matthews; 5-Brad H. Cox; 6-Brian Williamson.

MAKER'S 46 MILE S. (G1T)

Keeneland, Friday, April 14, Race 9

8f (turf), \$300,000, 4yo/up, 5:30 PM (local)

Р#	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Blacktype (FR)	Dunkerque (FR)	6/g	Joel Rosario	118	6/1	Jump Sucker Stable (George Walker)
2	2	What a View	Vronsky	6/g	Tyler Baze	118	5/1	Finish Line Racing, LLC, The Elwood Johnston Trust and Taste of Victory Stables
3	3	American Patriot	War Front	4/c	Javier Castellano	118	20/1	WinStar Farm, LLC (Kenny Troutt)
4	4	Bolo	Temple City	5/h	Mike E. Smith	120	5/1	Golden Pegasus Racing, Inc. (Keith Brackpool, et al.) and Earle I. Mack
5	5	Conquest Enforcer	Into Mischief	4/c	Paco Lopez	120	12/1	Loooch Racing Stables, Inc., Imaginary Stables and Ritchie, Raquel
6	6	Conquest Panthera	Kitten's Joy	5/g	Robby Albarado	118	15/1	Gary Barber
7	7	Calculator	In Summation	5/h	Florent Geroux	118	10/1	Richard C. Pell
8	8	Inspector Lynley	Lemon Drop Kid	4/c	John R. Velazquez	118	8/1	Stuart S. Janney, III and Phipps Stable (Daisy Phipps Pulito)
9	9	Heart to Heart	English Channel	6/h	Julien R. Leparoux	118	3/1	Terry Hamilton
10	10	Ballagh Rocks	Stormy Atlantic	4/c	Jose Lezcano	118	20/1	Donegal Racing (Jerry Crawford)
11	11	Western Reserve	Indian Charlie	5/g	Shaun Bridgmohan	118	15/1	Marc Detampel
12	12	Bondurant	War Front	4/c	Brian Joseph Hernandez, Jr.	118	10/1	Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC (Janis R. Whitham)

Breeders: 1–E.A.R.L. Haras Du Quesnay; 2–Old English Rancho, Patsy Berumen & Sal Berumen; 3–WinStar Farm, LLC; 4–Spendthrift Farm LLC; 5–Tall Oaks Farm; 6–Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey; 7–Ocala Stud; 8–Stuart S. Janney, III LLC & Phipps Stable; 9–Red Hawk Ranch; 10–Turner Breeders, LLC; 11–Juddmonte Farms Inc; 12–Janis R. Whitham.

Trainers: 1—Christophe Clement; 2—Kenneth D. Black; 3—Todd A. Pletcher; 4—Carla Gaines; 5—Jeffrey A. Radosevich; 6—Mark E. Casse; 7—Peter Miller; 8—Claude R. McGaughey III; 9—Brian A. Lynch; 10—William I. Mott; 11—Brad H. Cox; 12—lan R. Wilkes.

FANTASY S. (G3)

Oaklawn Park, Friday, April 14, Race 8 8.5f (dirt), \$400,000, 3yo f, 4:42 PM (local)

Р#	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Chanel's Legacy	Dominus	3/f	Alex Birzer	121	8/1	Poindexter Thoroughbreds LLC (Allen Poindexter)
2	2	My Sweet Stella	Eskendereya	3/f	Ramon A. Vazquez	117	20/1	Zayat Stables, LLC (Ahmed Zayat)
3	3	Benner Island	Speightstown	3/f	Ricardo Santana, Jr.	117	5/2	Shortleaf Stable Inc. (John E. Anthony)
4	4	Drinks On Broadway	Stay Thirsty	3/f	Joe M. Johnson	Upson Downs Farm, Sagamore Farm and Papason Stables		
5	5	Vexatious	Giant's Causeway	3/f	Kent J. Desormeaux	117	7/2	Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley)
6	6	Kell Paso	Divine Park	3/f	Joseph Rocco, Jr.	121	6/1	William K. Goode
7	7	Dutch Parrot	Eskendereya	3/f	Calvin H. Borel	117	15/1	Shortleaf Stable Inc. (John E. Anthony)
8	8	Conquest Bandido	Into Mischief	3/f	Channing Hill	117	15/1	J Armando Rodriguez Racing Stable Inc (J Armando Rodriguez)
9	9	Torrent	Blame	3/f	Jose L. Ortiz	117	10/1	Westrock Stables LLC (Scott T. & Joe T. Ford)
10	10	Spooky Woods	Ghostzapper	3/f	Flavien Prat	117	4/1	West Point Thoroughbreds (Terrence Finley) & Edwin Barker
11	11	Conquest Slayer	Scat Daddy	3/f	Jorge Carreno	117	50/1	Judge Lanier Racing (Tom & Sandra McKenna)
12	12	Ever So Clever	Medaglia d'Oro	3/f	Luis Contreras	117	20/1	Clearview Stable LLC (Bernard Cleary)

Breeders: 1–H. Allen Poindexter; 2–Zayat Stables, LLC; 3–Mercedes Stables LLC; 4–Ocala Stud; 5–James C. Weigel & Giant's Causeway Syndicate, LLC.; 6–Brereton C. Jones; 7–Shortleaf Stable; 8–Mike Abraham; 9–Westrock Stables, LLC; 10–Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC; 11–HnR Nothhaft Horseracing LLC; 12–Clearsky Farms.

Trainers: 1-Lynn Chleborad; 2-D. Wayne Lukas; 3-Brad H. Cox; 4-Gary G. Hartlage; 5-Neil D. Drysdale; 6-Greg Green; 7-William B. Van Meter; 8-Wayne M. Catalano; 9-Ron Moquett; 10-Jerry Hollendorfer; 11-Miguel L. Hernandez; 12-Steven M. Asmussen.



TODAY'S ENTRIES

CAJUN MISS S.

Evangeline Downs, Friday, April 14, Race 8 7f (dirt), \$50,000, 3yo f, 8:49 PM (local)

Р#	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Shez for You	Macho Uno	3/f	Jansen Melancon	119	15/1	J. R. Caldwell and Mojo Racing Partners (Gary Hudson et al)
2	2	Splash Hit	Flower Alley	3/f	Roberto Morales	119	8/1	Carl R. Moore Management LLC (Carl R. Moore)
3	3	Just Kylie	Greeley's Galaxy	3/f	Ashley Broussard	119	10/1	Fontenot, K., Fontenot, P., Judice Farms, Inc. and Plaisance, K.
4	4	Kat's Infatuation	Silver City	3/f	Diego Saenz	122	3/1	Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch
5	5	Fee Fi Fo Fo	Midshipman	3/f	Kerwin D. Clark	119	15/1	Rodney J. Verret
6	6	Yours and Mine	Colonel John	3/f	Chris R. Rosier	117	10/1	Whitney J. Zeringue
7	7	Our Millie	Half Ours	3/f	Alexander Castillo	119	5/1	Marble Farms LLC (Margaret Stanton and William May)
8	8	Javiera	Big Brown	3/f	Emanuel Nieves	119	6/1	St. George Stable LLC (German Larrea)
9	9	Big Game Baby	Gold Tribute	3/f	Timothy Thornton	117	8/1	Eat My Dust, LLC (James Clanin, Eric Cullen & John Hay)
10	10	Red La Rosa	Harborage	3/f	Gerard Melancon	117	12/1	Sandra Domiano
11	11	Shamrock Star	Star Guitar	3/f	Colby J. Hernandez	119	5/1	Carl R. Moore Management LLC (Carl R. Moore)

Breeders: 1-JMJ Racing Stables, LLC; 2-Runnymede Farm, Inc., James E Clay & Catesby W. Clay Investment 2, LLC; 3-Gerald L. Averett; 4-Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch; 5-J. Adcock; 6-Elm Tree Farm, LLC; 7-Barbara V. Rowell; 8-St George Stables; 9-Ronald P. Webb; 10-Royal B. Kraft Sr.; 11-Half Moon Stables, LLC.

Trainers: 1-J. R. Caldwell; 2-W. Bret Calhoun; 3-Shane Wilson; 4-W. Bret Calhoun; 5-Allen Landry; 6-Denise Schmidt; 7-Joseph M. Foster; 8-Efren Loza, Jr.; 9-Joseph M. Foster; 10-Corale A. Richards; 11-W. Bret Calhoun.

UPCOMING ENTRIES

STAR SHOOT S.

Woodbine, Sunday, April 16, Race 8 6f (all-weather), \$100,000, 3yo f, 4:53 PM (local)

P# PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	Goldrush Glory	Second in Command	3/f	Patrick Husbands	117	-	Barry Holmes
2	Red Lodge	Midshipman	3/f	Jose Valdivia, Jr.	117	-	Hat Creek Racing and Head of Plains Partners LLC
3	R Naja	Exchange Rate	3/f	Luis Contreras	117	-	DARRS, Inc.
4	Sister Nation	Into Mischief	3/f	Gary Boulanger	117	-	Mark Dodson
5	Crumlin Queen	Where's the Ring	3/f	David Moran	117	-	Dura Racing & M.J.Doyle Racing Stables Ltd.
6	Gilded Lily	Speightstown	3/f	Rafael Manuel Hernandez	117	-	Tracy Farmer
7	Will She	Wando	3/f	Jesse M. Campbell	119	-	Gustav Schickedanz

Breeders: 1-Phoenix Rising Farms; 2-William J. Betz & Peter V. Lamantia; 3-El Batey Farm LLC; 4-Marvin Little Jr. & William Lynn; 5-Frank Mermenstein; 6-Hill 'N' Dale Equine Holdings, Inc. & N.E.T.P.; 7—Gustav Schickedanz.

Trainers: 1-Kelly L. Callaghan; 2-Wesley A. Ward; 3-Michael Stidham; 4-Michael P. De Paulo; 5-Michael J. Doyle; 6-Michael J. Maker; 7-Michael Keogh.

SAN PEDRO S.

Santa Anita Park, Sunday, April 16, Race 8 6f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo, 4:30 PM (local)

P# PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight M/L	Owner
1	Bobby Abu Dhabi	Macho Uno	3/c	Norberto Arroyo, Jr.	120 -	Rockingham Ranch
2	Aristocratic	Malibu Moon	3/c	Rafael Bejarano	120 -	Kaleem Shah, Inc.
3	Taxman's Quest	Euroears	3/g	Flavien Prat	124 -	Litsch Family LLC
4	Rebel War	In Summation	3/c	Joseph Talamo	120 -	Bobby Grayson
5	Rig League	Speightstown	3/r	Edwin A Maldonado	120 -	Rockingham Ranch

Breeders: 1-T/C Stable, LLC; 2-Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate; 3-Litsch Family, LLC; 4-William Churly & Ken Manness; 5-W. S. Farish.

Trainers: 1-Peter Miller; 2-Doug F. O'Neill; 3-Richard E. Mandella; 4-Bobby Wayne Grayson; 5-Peter Miller.



TOP HORSES

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Rank	Name	Starts	Wins	Places	Shows	Earnings	Win%	WPS%
1	Arrogate	1	1	0	0	\$7,000,000	100%	100%
2	Shaman Ghost	2	1	1	0	\$2,200,000	50%	100%
3	Neolithic	1	0	0	1	\$1,000,000	0%	100%
4	Girvin	3	2	1	0	\$849,800	67%	100%
5	Irap	4	1	2	0	\$700,000	25%	75%
6	Gormley	3	2	0	0	\$684,000	67%	67%
7	Always Dreaming	3	3	0	0	\$624,800	100%	100%
8	Irish War Cry	3	2	0	0	\$616,660	67%	67%
9	Malagacy	3	3	0	0	\$586,800	100%	100%
10	Vale Dori (ARG)	3	3	0	0	\$480,000	100%	100%

TOP TRAINERS

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	52 53 \$2,897,341 21% 54%
7 January A. January 54 0 40	28 20 \$2,859,379 26% 61%
7 James A. Jerkens 51 9 10	10 6 \$2,747,383 18% 49%
8 Mark E. Casse 215 38 31	31 23 \$2,552,281 18% 43%
9 Michael J. Maker 282 65 43	43 44 \$2,456,801 23% 54%
10 Brad H. Cox 193 54 33	33 25 \$2,115,314 28% 58%

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TOP JOCKEYS

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Rank	Name	Starts	Wins	Places	Shows	Earnings	Win%	WPS%
1	Mike E. Smith	64	20	7	15	\$9,181,057	31%	66%
2	Jose L. Ortiz	345	74	71	49	\$6,430,638	21%	56%
3	Javier Castellano	316	61	49	53	\$4,914,521	19%	52%
4	John R. Velazquez	201	48	24	21	\$4,138,957	24%	46%
5	Irad Ortiz, Jr.	302	75	70	57	\$3,839,071	25%	67%
6	Flavien Prat	250	57	43	46	\$3,474,048	23%	58%
7	Luis Saez	428	83	74	63	\$3,209,121	19%	51%
8	Julien R. Leparoux	215	38	34	24	\$3,173,802	18%	45%
9	Florent Geroux	302	78	55	49	\$3,149,875	26%	60%
10	Manuel Franco	310	54	50	45	\$2,894,330	17%	48%