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TODAY'S HEADLINES

RACING NEWS

FIRST IRISH TWO-YEAR-OLD RACE AT THE CURRAGH TODAY

The first race for two-year-olds in Ireland takes place on the Curragh's eight-race card this afternoon, which also features the Gr.3 Irish EBF Park Express Stakes for fillies and mares aged three and above

The 11-runner contest, due to begin at 1.35pm as the first race on the card, will be run over 5f and sees the progeny of four first-season sires hit the racecourse for the first time.

Castlehyde Stud's Gr.2 Coventry Stakes winner and dual Gr.1-placed **Arizona** has his first runner in the form of Josh Halley's **Besiege**. A £21,000 yearling purchase, the chesnut colt will be partnered on debut by Seamie Heffernan, who has recently announced his decision to ride freelance this term, ending a long and successful full-time association with Ballydoyle.

Another **Scat Daddy**-line sire, Whistbury Manor's **Sergei Prokofiev**, will be represented by **Arizona Blaze**, who boasts the same connections as the winner of this contest last year, **Bucanero Fuerte** (**Wootton Bassett**). This colt was an £82,000 purchase by Rodrigo Goncalves and Aguiar Bloodstock from Glenvale Stud at last year's Goffs Premier Yearling Sale at Doncaster and is trained by Adrian Murray for AMO Racing and Giselle de Aguiar.



Castlehyde Stud's **Arizona** is one of four first-season sires to have their first runner in the 5f Irish EBF maiden at the Curragh this afternoon.

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BREEDERS RECOMMEND HIM

£5,000 OCT 1, SLF Call **Simon Sweeting** on **07996** 174926

"I don't usually get too excited at this stage – but this is a good foal." A really good foal."

ED PLAYER on his Caturra colt out of the St Hugh's winner Shumookhi

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"Sure, I see a lot of nice foals... But these two, they're proper foals! The type you want to breed."

MAURICE BURNS on the two Caturra foals at Rathasker Stud

The first runner by Starfield Stud's **Far Above** will be the Barry Fitzgerald-trained filly **Far At Sea**, who was bred by Rathbarry Stud. Additionally, the Gr.1 Vincent O'Brien National Stakes hero **Verbal Dexterity** will be represented on the track for the first time by the Jim Bolger homebred **Monotone**, trained by the master of Coolcullen.



Pictured as a foal before being sold to Amanda Skiffington for 36,000gns, **Arizona Blaze** will become the first runner for his Gr.3 Cornwallis Stakes-winning sire **Sergei Prokofiev** at the Curragh today.

RACING REVIEW

ITALY

SECOND CIRCO MASSIMO VICTORY FOR FLAG'S UP

Three of the best Italian horses faced off in the Listed Premio Circo Massimo over 2000m at Rome on Sunday. **Flag's Up (War Command)**, who had finished his five-year-old campaign by landing his first Group win in the Gr.2 Premio Roma last year, produced a very good comeback under a 3kg penalty.



£5,000 OCT 1, SLF Call Simon Sweeting on 07996 174926

Mario Sanna rode a perfect race, waiting until the last 300m to switch **Flag's Up** when the favourite **Tempesti** (**Albert Dock**) had picked up the lead over the front-runner **Goldenas** (**Golden Horn**). Sanna's mount outgunned **Tempesti** to score by a length and a quarter, with **Goldenas** a further half-length back in third.

Flag's Up had already won the Circo Massimo in 2022, but failed to score again until Stefano Botti decided to geld him and drop him into handicap company. He has won six of his subsequent seven races and has another promising season in front of him.

Bred by Razza del Velino, he was a €12,000 purchase at the SGA Selected Yearling Sale. His dam, the Stakes winner **Baby Revolution** (**High Chaparral**), is a half-sister to **Time To Choose** (**Manduro**), who won 14 races, including the Gr.2 Premio Presidente della Repubblica and the Gr.3 Premio Ribot. **Baby Revolution** has a two-year-old colt by **Mastercraftsman** and visited **Holy Roman Emperor** last season.

FRANCO RAIMONDI

LOVE IS IN THE AIR AT ROME

The four-year-old **My Eternal Love** (**Cotai Glory**) held off the fast-finishing **Canticchiando** (**Raven's Pass**) by a nose and clinched his first Stakes win in the Listed Premio Natale di Roma over 1600m at Rome on Sunday.

The colt, who is owned by the very passionate Mario Sansoni, had just one previous attempt at Stakes level, when well-beaten in the Listed Premio Fassati last September, and his race fitness helped him to land a second win in four starts this season. Three horses were covered by less than a half-length at the finish and all had one or more runs this year. The exploits of **My Eternal Love** gave his breeder Razza del Velino a Stakes double yesterday afternoon.

A €42,000 purchase at the SGA Selected Sale, he is the 11th Stakes winner in three crops aged three or more by **Cotai Glory** (**Exceed And Excel**). His dam, **My Sea Of Love** (**King's Best**), won no less than nine races and finished third in the Gr.3 (then) Premio Chiusura. She has produced four other winners.

FRANCO RAIMONDI

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TIMEFORM RATING:



"This Baaeed filly is an exceptional foal! She has size, strength and substance, is correct and moves effortlessly. There is tonnes of class and quality. We couldn't be happier."

Mike Ryan on his filly out of Kamakura

"We are very happy with him. He is a strong, quality first foal being a good size, correct and athletic. I see a lot of Baaeed in him!"

Patrick Cosgrove on his colt out of Lucilia



"He is a lovely, strong colt, probably the best the mare has had! We couldn't be happier with him at this early stage."

Sara Cumani on the colt out of Baisse bred by Imperium Syndicate Ltd

"I am delighted with Cloudy Dawn's Baaeed filly who is a strong, well-made foal with lots of depth and good bone."

James Wigan on his filly out of Cloudy Dawn

"We have a very nice colt. He is well put together, balanced with a lot of quality. He has been stamped by Baaeed! We are very happy and have used him again this year."

Nicolas de Chambure on the **colt out of Koubalibre** bred by Sarl de Chambure et al.

£80,000 October 1st SLF

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NATIONAL HUNT RACING REVIEW

FRANCE

ANOTHER GRADED SUCCESS FOR GANAMOS

The high-class David Cottin-trained steeplechaser **Juntos Ganamos** ran out an easy winner yesterday's Gr.3 Prix Troytown Chase over 4400m against the older horses at Auteuil.

The five-year-old son of **Martaline** was ridden forward and made most of the running in the early exchanges, before giving way to **Gallipoli** (**Gleneagles**) with six obstacles to jump. The pair pulled clear and **Juntos Ganamos** cantered past his rival approaching the last, before pulling clear in the straight to win by a dominant seven lengths. Last year's Gr.2 Cleeve Hurdle winner **Gold Tweet** (**On Est Bien**) was a further eight lengths adrift back in third.

This was a sixth Graded success for the gelding, whose last victory came in the Gr.3 Prix Orcada over the same course and distance. In May of last year, he had earned the biggest win of his career in the Gr.1 Prix Ferdinand Dufaure, defeating **Le Marche Bleue** (Saint Des Saints) by six lengths.

Cottin Said: "The horse did what was expected of him and he did it well. We're going to bring him along steadily via the Gr.3 Prix Ingre. I was very pleased with him today. He's only been at the stable for two



Dream Ahead

PROVEN GR.1 SIRE OF SPEED

- 64 Stakes winners/performers Inc. Gr.1 winners GLASS SLIPPERS, DREAM OF DREAMS, AL WUKAIR, DONJUAN TRIUMPHANT, etc.
- Leading sires of Gr.1 sprinters from 2019 to 2023 (Active sires, 5f-6f, 3yo.)

	G1W	G1Wins
No Nay Never (€150,000)	4	
Dream Ahead (£6,500)	3	6
Kodiac (€35,000)	3	5
Dark Angel (€60,000)	3	5



Fee: £6,500 Oct 1st SLF

months, having had a winter break in the countryside. He's an imposing horse who still needs to shed some weight. He was foot perfect regarding his jumping. He has all the attributes of a Grand Steeple horse."

Bred by the late Magalen Bryant, he is the most distinguished runner to be produced so far by the Gr.3-placed hurdler **Usted Me Cara** (**Turgeon**), who is a half-sister to the Listed-winning hurdler **Victoria's Star** (**Poliglote**) and the dam of the Gr.1 Prix Maurice Gillois third **In Love** (**Great Pretender**). **Juntos Ganamos** was a €45,000 purchase by Highflyer Bloodstock as a three-year-old and his **Saints Des Saints** half-brother made €200,000 to Olly and Aiden Murphy at the Tattersalls Ireland Derby Sale last June.



Young chaser **Juntos Ganamos** (**Martaline**) landed the Gr.3 Prix Troytown at Auteuil yesterday. © France Galop

HIPSTER MAKES ALL TO LAND LISTED PRIZE

The seven-year-old **Hipster Paradise** made every yard of the running to land the Listed Prix Predicateur at Auteuil yesterday under Alexandre Chesneau.

In a field of 16 over 3900m on testing ground, the son of **American Devil** was soon sent to the front and dictated matters at a steady pace. The field was well-grouped together for most of the race, but leaving the back straight with two flights of hurdles left to jump, he had skipped several lengths clear of the chasing pack and still appeared to be travelling strongly. He produced a perfect jump over the last and ran on strongly up towards the line and, despite having his lead reduced late on, he held on to win by three lengths from **Lou Fast (Rajsaman)**, whilst **Helsinki Nolimit (No Risk At All)** finished another six lengths further back in third.

On what was his first start since winning over the same course and distance back in September, it was a fifth career victory for **Hipster Paradise** but a first at Stakes level on his first attempt. Trained by Yannick Fouin and bred by SCEA des Sens, who own the gelding in partnership with his trainer, he is out of a half-sister to the dual National Hunt Gr.1 winner **Elixir De Nutz** (**Al Namix**).

LEON DU BERLAIS GETS OVERDUE STAKES SUCCESS

Arnaud Chaille-Chaille's **Authorized** colt **Leon Du Berlais** landed the final Stakes race at Auteuil yesterday, the valuable Gr.3 Prix d'Indy for four-year-olds over 3600m, in style under regular partner Gaetan Masure.

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Colt ex East Of Eden



Filly ex Carmen



Colt ex Dancing on Air



Filly ex **Alfea**





Filly ex Sablonne

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Fee: €20,000



Always prominent, he disputed second jumping the final flight, but came home strongly on the run-in to win comfortably by five and a half lengths from Dominique Bressou's **Losange Vert Bleu** (**Night Wish**), whose half-brother **Losange Bleu** (**Martaline**) won this race last year, whilst **Bon Garcon** (**Masterstroke**) finished a length and a quarter further back in third.

Having finished runner-up on all five of his previous starts, it was an overdue and well-deserved victory for the Haras du Berlais-bred hurdler, who was last seen finishing second in the Gr.1 Prix Cambaceres over this course and distance back in November as a three-year-old.

Owned by Ecurie Hub de Montmirail and Haras du Berlais, he is from a fine French National Hunt family, being a half-brother to the Prix Cambaceres hero **Bonito Du Berlais** (**Trempolino**) and the dual Gr.2-winning and Gr.1-placed hurdler **Nikita Du Berlais** (**Poliglote**; dam of the Gr.3-winning and Gr.2-placed hurdler **Angela Du Berlais**), amongst others.

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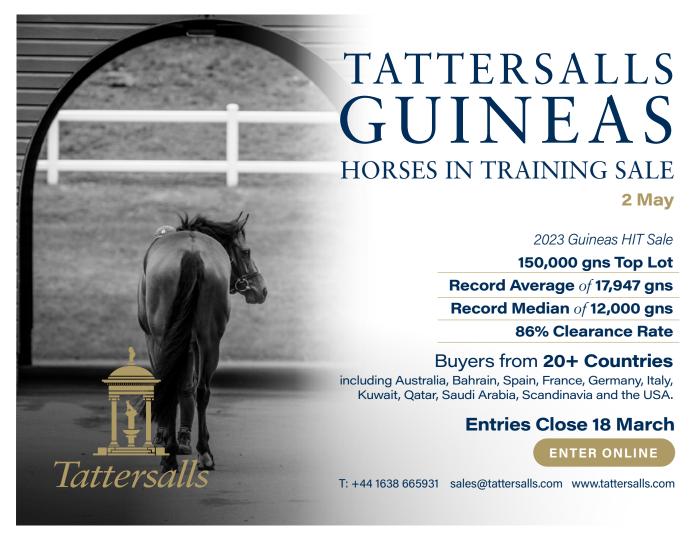


USA

WINSTAR FARM'S IMPROBABLE DIES

Multiple Gr.1 hero **Improbable** was put down in Lexington on Saturday night after suffering ataxia behind, WinStar Farm announced yesterday.

The son of **City Zip**, who was undefeated at two, continued his high-class form at three, finishing fourth in the Gr.1 Kentucky Derby when sent off favourite. He went on to win three consecutive Gr.1 races (Hollywood Gold Cup, Whitney Stakes and Awesome Again Stakes) as a four-year-old and finished second in the Gr.1 Breeders' Cup Classic before being crowned Champion Older Dirt Male.



THOROUGHBRED TALES follow on X

Bred in Kentucky by St George Farm and G Watts Humphrey Jr, the eight-year-old covered 329 mares in his first two seasons as a stallion and his first-crop of juveniles are due to hit the racecourse this year.



Improbable (City Zip) died on Saturday, WinStar Farm has announced.

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ITALY

Rome: Good

LR PREMIO CIRCO MASSIMO, Rome, 2000m, 4yo+, 1st €19,500, 2nd €8,580, 3rd €4,680

1. FLAG'S UP (Ire), 6h,

War Command – Baby Revolution (High Chaparral) 2nd dam Penfection (Orpen) 3rd dam Pharfetched (Phardante)

O: Roberto Saggini, B: Razza del Velino, T: Stefano Botti €12,000 SGA September Selected Yearling Sale by Alduino Botti, consigned by Razza del Velino

2. TEMPESTI (Ity), 5h,

Albert Dock – Tender Hugs (Bachelor Duke)

O: Razza Dormello Olgiata & Citai Spa,

B: Societa Agricola C I T A I, T: Riccardo Santini



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3. GOLDENAS (Ire), 4c,

Golden Horn – Naseej (Medaglia D'Oro)

O: Fabrizio Cameli,

B: Austin Curran, **T:** Endo Botti €23,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale

by Razza Latina, consigned by Blackberry Road Stud

Also ran: Budrio, Saint Cloud Non runner: Autre Etape Distances: 11/41, 1/21, 51/21, 11

LR PREMIO NATALE DI ROMA, Rome, 1600m, 4yo+,

1st €19,500, 2nd €8,580, 3rd €4,680

1. MY ETERNAL LOVE (Ity), 4c,

Cotai Glory – My Sea Of Love (King's Best) 2nd dam Scent of Success (Quiet American)

3rd dam Mousquet (Shadeed)

O: Mario Sansoni,
B: Razza del Velino,

T: Endo Botti

CANTICCHIANDO (Ire), 6h,
 Raven's Pass – Calpe (Dr Fong)

O/B/T: Francesca Turri

3. MAN IN PROMISE (GB), 5h,

Mayson – Vintage Gardenia (Selkirk)

O/T: L Di Dio,

B: P & Mrs A G Venner

9,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale by BBA Ireland, consigned by Petches Farm £10,000 vendor Tattersalls Ireland September Yearling Sale consigned by Ballincurrig House Stud

Also ran: Tiaspettofuori, Salah Al Din, Frozen Juke, Il Frantoio, Blatant, Wide Sea, Lord Sakay, Win The Best, Mangiafuoco *Distances*: nse, nk, ½l, 2¼l, 1½l, 2¼l, snk, 3l, 2½l, shd, 2½l

USA

Santa Anita: Fast

Gr.3 SAN CARLOS STAKES, Santa Anita, 7fD, 4yo+, 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$12,000, Mar 16

1. THE CHOSEN VRON (USA), 6g,

Vronsky – Tiz Molly (Tiz Wonderful) 2nd dam Deputie's Notebook (Notebook) 3rd dam Deputy's Delight (French Deputy)

O: Sondereker Racing LLC, Eric J Kruljac, Robert S Fetkin and Richard Thornburgh, B: Tiz Molly Partners T: J Eric Kruljac

2. GHOST OF MIDNIGHT (USA), 6g,

Ghostzappe – Midnight Belle (Bernardini)

O/B: Al & Saundra Kirkwood, T: Mark Glatt

3. ELWOOD BLUES (USA), 4c,

Justify - Blingismything (Arch)

O: Karl Watson, Michael E Pegram & Paul Weitman,

B: Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC, T: Bob Baffert

\$380,000 **Keeneland** September Yearling Sale

by Three Amigos Racing Stable,

consigned by Woodford Thoroughbreds

Also ran: McLaren Vale, I'm A Gambler, Super Chief

Non runner: See Through It Distances: 11, 5¾1, ¾1, 51, ¾1

NATIONAL HUNT STAKES RESULTS

FRANCE

Auteuil: 4.7 (Heavy)

Gr.3 PRIX TROYTOWN, Auteuil, 4400m chase, 5yo+, 1st €69,750, 2nd €34,100, 3rd €20,15

1. JUNTOS GANAMOS (Fr), 5g,

Martaline – Usted Me Cara (Turgeon)

2nd dam Licara D'Airy (Oblat)

3rd dam Carali D'Airy (Marasali)

O: Alain Jathiere, Gerard Augustin-Normand,





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Famille Niarchos*	GAELIC WARRIOR	1st Arkle Challenge Trophy Novices' Chase	Gr.1
Écurie Couderc*	IL ÉTAIT TEMPS	3 rd Arkle Challenge Trophy Novices' Chase	Gr.1
ML Bloodstock	STATE MAN	1st Champion Hurdle Challenge Trophy	Gr.1
Nicolas Landon*, Geoffroy de Carcaradec, Geoffroy de Quatrebarbes, Suc. Xavier de Quatrebarbes	IRISH POINT	2 nd Champion Hurdle Challenge Trophy	Gr.1
Élevage des Vallons & lan Kellit*	LOSSIEMOUTH	1st Close Brothers Mares' Hurdle	Gr.1

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Catherine Boudot	JIMMY DU SEUIL	2 nd Gallagher Novices Hurdle	Gr.1
Pierre Julienne*	ILE ATLANTIQUE	3 rd Gallagher Novices Hurdle	Gr.1
Michel Pehu*	FACT TO FILE	1st Brown Advisory Novices' Chase	Gr.1
André-Marcel Pommerai*, Aurélie Pommerai, Gwenaelle Barre, Anne-Charline Pommerai	GENTLEMAN DE MÉE	2 nd Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase	Gr.1
Gilles Trapenard	FUNAMBULE SIVOLA	3 rd Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase	Gr.1
Didier Desrayaud	JASMIN DE VAUX	1st Weatherbys Champion Bumper	Gr.1
Comte Michel de Gigou	JALON D'OUDAIRIES	3 rd Weatherbys Champion Bumper	Gr.1

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Gildas Blain	DJELO	3 rd Turners Novices' Chase	Gr.1
Guy Cherel et Isabelle Pacault	PROTEKTORAT	1st Ryanair Chase	Gr.1
Bruno Vagne*	ENVOI ALLEN	2 nd Ryanair Chase	Gr.1
Haras du Hoguenet* & Philip Prevost-Baratte	TEAHUP00	1st Paddy Power Stayers' Hurdle	Gr.1
François-Marie Cottin	BRIGHTERDAYSAHEAD	2 nd Ryanair Mares' Novices Hurdle	Gr.2

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Hubert Langot	MAJBOROUGH	1st JBC Triumph Hurdle	Gr.1
Thierry Cyprès*	KARGESE	2 nd JBC Triumph Hurdle	Gr.1
Genets SRL*	SALVER	3 rd JBC Triumph Hurdle	Gr.1
Julien, Laurent & Vincent Moutel	DANCING CITY	3 rd Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle	Gr.1
GAEC des Champs	GALOPIN DES CHAMPS	1st Boodles Cheltenham Gold Cup Chase	Gr.1
Christophe et Marie-Astrid Boistier*	GERRI COLOMBE	2 nd Boodles Cheltenham Gold Cup Chase	Gr.1
ML Bloodstock	DINOBLUE	2 nd Mrs Paddy Power Mares' Chase	Gr.2

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GR1: ARAKAN, COASTAL PATH, DOCTOR DINO, FEEL LIKE DANCING, GALIWAY, GREAT PRETENDER, JEU ST ELOI, JOSHUA TREE, MARTINBOROUGH, MASKED MARVEL, MONTMARTRE, MOTIVATOR, MUHTATHIR, NO RISK AT ALL, NOROIT, POLIGLOTE, SAINT DES SAINTS, SPANISH MOON, TIMOS, TIRWANAKO, WALK IN THE PARK

GR2: KAPGARDE, WALK IN THE PARK

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Mme Margaux Cottin, Ecurie Michael Rizieri, Ecurie Thomas Sivadier and S Nigge, **B:** Exors of the late Magalen Bryant, **7:** David Cottin €45,000 2022 ARQANA Grand Steeple Sale by Highflyer Bloodstock, consigned by David Cottin

2. GALLIPOLI (Fr), 7g,

Gleneagles – Lockup (Inchinor)

O: Thierry Storme,

B: SCA Elevage de Tourgeville, B S I N V and T Lohest,

T: Noel George and Amanda Zetterholm
€12,000 ARQANA October Yearling Sale
by B S I N V, consigned by Elevage de Tourgeville

3. GOLD TWEET (Fr), 7g,

On Est Bien – Goldance (Goldneyev)
O: AGV Karwin Stud, Gabreil Leenders, Mickael Lasry,
Seror Racing Management and Mme Laurence Baudouin,
B: E Lellouche, T: Gabriel Leenders
€14,000 Osarus Breeze-Up Sale
by AGV Karwin Stud, consigned by Ecurie la Frenee



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Also ran: Grand Oncle, Gran Diose, Ginja Des Taillons, Grandioso (pu), Toscana Du Berlais (f)
Distances: 71, 81, 71, 71, 301

Gr.3 PRIX D'INDY, Auteuil, 3600m hurdle, 4yo, 1st €60,750, 2nd €29,700, 3rd €17,550

1. **LEON DU BERLAIS** (Fr), 4c,

Authorized – Chica Du Berlais (Cadoudal) 2nd dam Chica Bonita (Badayoun) 3rd dam Chinca (Orvilliers)

O: Haras du Berlais, B: Ecurie Hub de Montmirail and Haras du Berlais, T: Arnaud Chaille-Chaille

2. LOSANGE VERT BLEU (Fr), 4g,

Night Wish – Sweet Valrose (Cadoudal) **O/B:** Patrick Papot, **7:** Dominique Bressou

3. BON GARCON (Fr), 4q,

Masterstroke – Coeur De Valse (Anabaa Me) **O/B:** Gerard Aoudai, **7:** Arnaud Chaille-Chaille

Also ran: Kloth Of Utopia, Karakta, Kamsinea, Karthage, Game Of Storm, Intime Wild, Kingland (pu), Kaja (f) Distances: 5½l, 1¼l, 9l, 1¾l, 10l, ½l, 30l, ½l

LR PRIX PREDICATEUR, Auteuil, 3900m hurdle, 5yo+, 1st €49,500, 2nd €24,200, 3rd €14,300

1. HIPSTER PARADISE (Fr), 7q,

American Devil – Balnutz (Balko)

2nd dam Nutz (Turgeon)

3rd dam Friandise II (Mistigri)

O: SCEA des Sens & Yannick Fouin,

B: SCEA des Sens, T: Yannick Fouin

2. LOU FAST (Fr), 5g,

Rajsaman – Lou Wonderful (Kapgarde)

O: Ecurie SMV Darby Stable, Ecurie Black & White, Christian Germain, Jacques Philipperon, Micheline Vidal, Bruno Fraize, Philippe Averous & Stephane Fraize,

B: Christian & Gisele Germain, T: Robert Collet

3. HELSINKI NOLIMIT (Fr), 7g,

No Risk At All - Ligne Claire (Lando)

O/T: Yannick Fouin,

B: Meryl Militon

Also ran: King Of Run, Galop Du Large, Zurekin, Vision Du Rheu, Garrygal, Diable D'Auteuil, Joana Conti, Contestable, Chichi De La Vega, Jigstar Pam (pu), Marechal (pu), Groom Boy (pu), Aleric (ur)

Distances: 31, 61, hd, 13/41, 3/41, 61, 11, hd, 11/21, 151, 131

YESTERDAY'S RACING REVIEW

FRANCE

Lyon Parilly: 4.2 (Holding)

12.40 (GMT) LYON, UNRACED 2YO MAIDEN, 900M

1. CYLENECHOPE (Fr), 2f,

Gutaifan – Chopinette (Sian Kiang)

O: Pierre Blazy, Alain Chopard, Alain Klodawski and K Tavares,

B: Alain Chopard,

T: Kevin Tavares

€16,000 Osarus September Yearling Sale by Kevin Tavares, consigned by Haras des Faunes

2. Vivre Libre (Fr), 3. Les Marquises (Fr)

Distances: 21, 13/41. 8 ran.

Cylenechope (**Gutaifan**) broke well to lead and showed speed to break clear of the field on her way to a two-length debut victory.



She is a half-sister to the Listed-placed Laia Chope (Soave; dam of the Gr.3 Prix du Bois winner Livachope), out of the placed Sin Kiang mare Chopinette. The second dam Ducie (Distant Relative) won once as a four-year-old in Belgium and is the grandam of the Gr.3 Prix du Bois winner Cosachope (Soave) and the Gr.3-placed Denver Chop (Vale Of York). The third dam is the triple victrix Ellebanna (Tina's Pet), who produced the Listed (then) John of Gaunt Stakes victor and sire Mine (Primo Dominie). The family also includes the Gr.2 (then) King's Stand Stakes winner and Gr.1 Sprint Cup runner-up Bolshoi (Royal Academy).

1.15 (GMT) LYON, 3YO MAIDEN, 1600M

1. CARTIMANDUA (Fr), 3f,

Saxon Warrior – Chant De Sable (Oasis Dream)

O: Stamford Bloodstock, B: SCEA Marmion Vauville
and Alain Jathiere, T: Francis-Henri Graffard

€26,000 2021 ARQANA December Breeding Stock Sale
by Meridian Internatioal SARL,
consigned by Haras de Montaigu

€30,000 ARQANA October Yearling Sale
by Stamford Bloodstock, consigned by Haras de la Louviere

2. **Burgundy Regal** (Fr), 3. **Yakamoun** (Fr)

Distances: 1/41, 1/21. 10 ran.

Cartimandua (**Saxon Warrior**) was always prominent and ran on well under pressure to win at the second attempt.

He is one of three winners out of the placed **Oasis Dream** mare **Chant De Sable**, a half-sister to the Gr.2 Prix d'Harcourt winner and sire **Delfos** (**Green Tune**), the Gr.2 Jebel Hatta Stakes winner

and multiple Gr.1-placed **Balius** (**Mujahid**) and the dam of the US Gr.2 winner and Gr.1 Belmont Oaks-placed **Papilio**. They are out of the dual winner **Akhla** (**Nashwan**), a half-sister to the Stakes-placed four-time winner **Star Of The River** (**Soviet Star**; dam of the US Stakes winner **Follow The Rainbow**), out of the winner **Beautiful River** (**Irish River**). Further back, this is also the family of the Gr.1 heroine **It Tiz Well**.

1.50 (GMT) LYON, 4YO+ CONDITIONS, 2400M

1. **TOP OF MIND** (Fr), 4f,

New Approach – Saxon Rose (Manduro) **O/B:** Le Thenney, **T:** Jean-Pierre Gauvin

2. Mononof (Fr), 3. Mononof (GB)

Distances: 31/21, hd. 6 ran.

ITALY

Pisa: Very Soft Rome: Good

1.55 (GMT) ROME, 4YO+ F&M CONDITIONS, 1600M

1. ESTROSA (Ire), 4f,

Sioux Nation – Eclairante (High Chaparral)
O: Alma Racing Srl, B: Charel Bloodstock, T: Endo Botti
18,000gns Tattersalls December Yearling Sale
by Razza Latina, consigned by Charel Park Stud

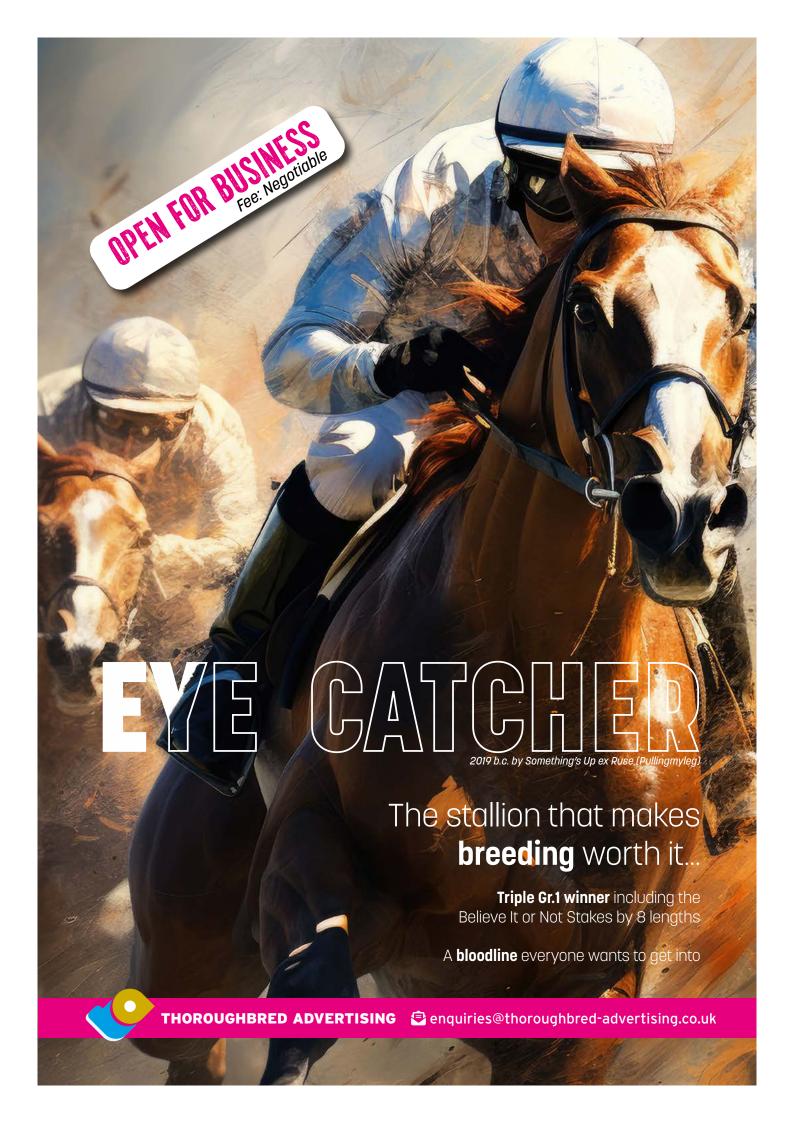
2. **Diavlita** (Ity), 3. **Zittella** (Ire) *Distances*: 2³/₄I, 2I. 11 ran.





28 March

Nominations are open



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2.05 (GMT) PISA, 3YO CONDITIONS, 2000M

1. THE TWEED (Ity), 3c,

Albert Dock – Persefone (Mujahid)

O/B: Andrea Fiordelli Sauro,

7: Roberto Biondi

2. Siray (Ire), 3. Touch Me Again (Ire)

Distances: 21, 21.5 ran.

2.40 (GMT) PISA, 4YO+ CONDITIONS, 2400M

1. CIME TEMPESTOSE (Ire), 5h,

Gleneagles – Hassaya (Damsire)

O/T: Stefano Botti, B: T Boylan

€48,000 Goffs November Foal Sale

by BB Bloodstock,

consigned by The Castlebridge Consignment

by Federico Barberini, consigned by Ballyhane

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2. Brigante Sabino (Ire), 3. Igazgato (Ger)

Distances: 11, 31/21. 5 ran.

3.05 (GMT) ROME, 3YO CONDITIONS, 2000M

1. CHICOTAI (Ire), 3c,

Cotai Glory - Taraba (Inchinor)

O: Marco Bozzi.

B: Derek Smullen, T: Stefano Botti

€5,000 Goffs Autumn Yearling Sale

by Keatley Racing, consigned by Tally-Ho Stud

€28,000 Tattersalls Ireland Goresbridge **Breeze-Up** Sale

by Marco Bozzi Bloodstock, consigned by San Antone Lodge



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2. Dark Defence (Ire), 3. Sahara Kitten (USA)

Distances: 1/21, 31/21. 9 ran.

4.15 (GMT) ROME, 3YO MAIDEN, 1600M

1. **PENSOSO** (Ire), 3c,

Fascinating Rock - Peaceful Light (Doyen)

O/B/T: Francesca Turri

2. Finch (Ire), 3. Sicilian Black (GB)

Distances: 1/21, 61/21. 9 ran.

Pensoso (**Fascinating Rock**), who was third on debut 12 days ago, benefited from the two-kilo allowance claimed by the apprentice Davide Cirossa and made his move along the outside rail, getting the better of **Finch** (**Nathaniel**).

He is a half-brother to **Permare (Vadamos)**, who was Stakes-placed in Italy over 2400m last season. Their dam **Peaceful Light** (**Doyen**) won once and has produced five other winners. The second dam **Risen Raven** (**Risen Star**) topped her career by landing the Classic Gr.2 Preis der Diana, before the race was upgraded to Gr.1 status, and has produced eight winners, including **Ravana** (**Lomitas**; dam of the useful Italian Stakes winner **Rastignano**). **Risen Raven**'s unraced daughter **Ashford Cross** (**Cape Cross**) has produced **Trumpet Major** (**Arakan**), who landed the Gr.2 Champagne Stakes at two and the Gr.2 Sandown Mile at four.

Peaceful Light has a two-year-old colt by **Tamayuz** and visited **Vadamos** last season. FRANCO RAIMONDI

GERMANY

Mülheim: Heavy

10.05 (GMT) MÜLHEIM, 3YO MAIDEN, 2000M

1. LAHZAR STAR (Ger), 3c,

Best Solution – Lacazar (Adlerflug)

O/B: Gestüt Haus Zoppenbroich, T: Peter Schiergen

2. Meer (Ger), 3. Palladium (Ger)

Distances: 61/21, 23/41. 6 ran.

Lahzar Star (**Best Solution**) was held up in rear before swinging wide into the straight to dispute the running and going clear under hands and heels in the final 200m to win on his third start in comfortable style.

He is the only foal of racing age out of the Gr.1 Preis der Diana heroine Lacazar (Adlerflug), a full-sister to the Gr.3 runner-up Liberry Gold. They are out of the Dai Jin mare Laey Diamond, who is a full-sister to the Gr.2 winner and sire Liang Kay, and a half-sister to the Listed winner and Gr.3-placed Laeya Star (Royal Dragon; dam of the Gr.3-placed winner Laeyos) and the Gr.2 Diana Trial-placed winner Litaara (Wiener Walzer; dam of the Gr.3 victrix Lizaid). They are all out of the dual Listed winner Linton Bay (Funambule).

10.35 (GMT) MÜLHEIM, 4YO+ MAIDEN, 2000M

1. PARIS MON AMOUR (Ger), 4f,

Adlerflug – Prairie Pearl (Tiger Hill)

O: W S Oberhof and S J Weiss,

B: Gestüt Hof Ittlingen, **T:** Henk Grewe

€36,000 BBAG September Yearling Sale

by Oberhof / Weiss, consigned by Gestüt Hof Ittlingen

2. **Northern Monarch** (Ger), 3. **Domestic Goddess** (Ire) *Distances*: 6l, 10l. 7 ran.

In testing conditions, **Paris Mon Amour** (**Adlerflug**) tracked the leaders and strode clear inside the final 200m to shed her maiden tag easily.

She is the first winner out of the triple victrix **Prairie Pearl** (**Tiger Hill**), a half-sister to the Listed-placed **Penelope Star** (**Acatenango**; dam of the German Gr.3 winner **Papagena Star** and the Irish Listed winner **Powerful Aggie**). The second dam is the quadruple winner **Prairie Queen** (**Königsstuhl**), who produced six winners from as many runners. The third dam is the triple victrix **Prairie Brise** (**Windwurf**), a half-sister to the Gr.2 (then) Deutsches St Leger heroine **Prairie Neba** (**Nebos**; dam of the Listed winner **Prairie Shadow**) and the German Listed victor **Pavarotti** (**Dashing Blade**).

Prairie Pearl has a two-year-old filly by **Best Solution** (€9,000 BBAG September Yearling Sale) and a yearling colt by **Alson**.

12.40 (GMT) MÜLHEIM, 4YO+ CONDITIONS, 1500M

1. TIMOTHEUS (Ger), 6g,

Amaron – Topkapi Diamond (Acclamation)

O: Stall Phantom, B: U Hagemann, T: Axel Kleinkorres €10,000 RRAG October Yearling Sale

by Stall Phantom, consigned by Gestüt Ohlerweiherhof

2. Best Lightning (Fr), 3. Modulation (GB)

Distances: 31, 1/21. 5 ran.

Sp tlight on



Liberty Racing: Germany's Derby-winning syndicate

ast summer, the face of German racing changed, writes *Xander Brett*. On Sunday, 2nd July, Hamburg's Gr.1 Deutsches Derby trophy was presented not to a well-heeled owner, nor to an established breeding operation. Instead, it went to a syndicate. Liberty Racing was built around members who like to dream big. Henk Grewe, Peter Schiergen and Sarah Steinberg are on the training list. Rene Piechulek is on call to take rides. For Liberty's founder, Lars-Wilhelm Baumgarten, and for his partner Nadine Siepmann, the rapid rise of **Fantastic Moon** (**Sea The Moon**) turned 2023 into a whirlwind adventure that culminated in a trip to Paris for the Gr.1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

Baumgarten is a well-known sports agent, but, though he may have interacted more with football players than thoroughbred racehorses, he is no racing novice. His equine interest began as a boy, while Siepmann's family involvement stretches back to the 1950s. Baumgarten, indeed, sits on the board of Deutscher Galopp, German racing's governing body. Together with a group of friends, he owned the 2019 German Derby runner-up **Django Freeman (Campanologist)**. Baumgarten also bred last year's Gr.1 Preis der Diana heroine **Muskoka (Sea The Moon)**. After another stab at the German Derby saw **Wonderful Moon (Sea The Moon)** trail home fifth in 2020, Baumgarten decided to target Hamburg's Holy Grail via a shared ownership initiative.

"It was Nadine's idea," he admits. "We started Liberty with 12 shareholders. It went well, so the following year we started a new group with 22 members." That syndicate, Liberty Racing 2021, is the collective behind **Fantastic Moon**, who finally delivered Baumgarten his childhood dream when the colt stormed two and a quarter lengths clear in the German Derby of 2023. **Fantastic Moon**'s victory not only etched a syndicate's name onto the German Derby role of honour, but it allowed Sarah Steinberg to step forward as the first female trainer to land the Classic. "I'm very happy that Sarah won the Derby," says Baumgarten. "She had trained the Gr.1 Grosser Preis von Baden winner in 2022, so everyone knew she could do it."

Liberty Racing 2021 also keeps dual Italian Listed winner Winning Spirit (Soldier Hollow) on its books. Winning Spirit was last year's Gr.2 Derby Italiano runner-up and came fourth behind Fantastic Moon at Hamburg. Liberty Racing 2020, meanwhile, enjoyed the ownership of Assistent, a now five-year-old son of Sea The Moon. Assistent gathered a Listed win and a Gr.1 fourth-placed effort (in the 2022 German Derby) under Liberty's blue and gold silks.

Liberty Racing Australia is among the four 2023 offerings. If suitable, the horses in this syndicate will travel down under to race on after the 2025 German Derby. Baumgarten says Liberty



Nadine Siepmann is the co-founder of Liberty Racing, which are providing four groups for its 2023 intake. © Mark Rühl

Racing Australia contains six Germans, six Australians and an American member. An English-language version of Liberty's website is, perhaps, helping to draw in anglophone owners around the world. "We'll see what happens," Baumgarten muses. "We have a lot of good stayers in Germany... stayers with speed. I think we can find a horse." The dream, he confirms, is for Liberty to own a winner of the Gr.1 Melbourne Cup.

Australia may be used to shared ownership initiatives, but Liberty was something of a lone wolf when it started life in Germany. Introducing the model, Baumgarten thinks, was long overdue. Syndicates, he says, are the only way to bring "normal people" into the sport, and Liberty has been warmly embraced by German racing as a result. The entourage its trails, however, means racecourses have found it difficult to keep up. "At the beginning," Baumgarten explains, "we had about 30 people coming to each meeting. That was OK. Now, when you factor in spouses and children, we could be 300 people."

If there are blueprints of how syndicate attendance can be managed, the answers must lie across the English Channel. Inspiration, too, can be taken from down under, where group ownership has been the sport's lifeblood for decades. "We have a good connection to Australia," Baumgarten confirms, saying he and Siepmann last travelled over in January to attend the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale. "We love its racing industry, and we can learn a lot from it."

Liberty's horses are, though, not confined to the tracks of Germany and Australia. **Fantastic Moon** took the organisation on

two trips to Longchamp last year. He secured the Gr.2 Prix Niel in September, before coming home six and a half lengths behind **Ace Impact** (**Cracksman**) in the Arc. After his Prix Niel success, there was talk of then three-year-old packing a suitcase for Ireland, where he would have bumped into **Auguste Rodin** (**Deep Impact**) in the Gr.1 Irish Champion Stakes. The meeting never materialised, but Britain and Ireland are still on the cards for **Fantastic Moon**'s four-year-old campaign.

A return to France, however, will be **Fantastic Moon**'s first point of call as he searches for more top-level success. "We hope he will win a Gr.1 outside Germany," says Siepmann. "We'll start him in a Listed contest at Hoppegarten. From there, we'll head to Longchamp and the Gr.1 Prix Ganay."

Baumgarten says he will wait to find out whether the colt is fit enough, pointing out that the air at Sarah Steinberg's Munich yard is chillier than in Paris. "I think 2100m could be better for him," Baumgarten explains. "We want to create a sire, so the Prix Ganay could be a very interesting target." Should Fantastic Moon finish first or second in the Prix Ganay, Siepmann and Baumgarten say they will discuss a trip to the Gr.1 Coronation Cup, the Gr.1 Prince of Wales's Stakes or the Gr.1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Stakes. Failing that, a voyage to Australia could be the way forward. "As we see it," Baumgarten concludes, "Fantastic Moon will win a Gr.1 this season and stand as a sire next year."

Fantastic Moon's retirement to stud, however, will not be the end of the Liberty members' emotional involvement with the horse. Siepmann and Baumgarten have not only introduced their owners to the world of German racing. Instead, they have involved members in the intricacies of its bloodstock world and the passage of its sales calendar. Siepmann says she and Baumgarten



agent, but has been involved in racing for years. © Mark Rühl

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Liberty members celebrate their Gr.1 Deutsches Derby triumph at Hamburg. © Mark Rühl

are assisted by Wilhelm 'Kojak' Feldman, Andre Böhmer and a vet at the BBAG. Liberty's trainers are also in attendance and its owners often make the trip down. "We have a meeting at Baden-Baden," Siepmann explains. "There, we give our owners the shortlist."

Baumgarten says the sales process mirrors his routines as a football agent. "We're five different people," he explains, "and five different scouts." He and Siepmann mark the catalogue. Before proceeding with a purchase, though, they seek the approval of each member of the immediate team. "If we don't have five 'yesses', we don't buy," Baumgarten says, explaining that the shortlist will be whittled down from about 60 possibilities to a shopping list of 12-odd. Ten yearlings entered Liberty syndicates at the end of last year, with members ready to follow their efforts on the racecourse this season.

Of the Liberty three-year-olds, Siepmann says **Palladium** is her pick of the pack. The son of **Gleneagles** was defeated by just half a length on his second and final outing at two. The spoils of that contest went to a subsequent Gr.3 winner in Marcus Klug's **Wonderful Boy** (**Sea The Moon**). Liberty Racing 2022 also includes **Kampfer**, a **Protectionist** colt who is a half-brother to **Kassada** (**Sea The Moon**), the runner-up in last year's German Oaks, where the filly was denied by a neck.

Baumgarten admits that neither **Palladium** nor **Kampfer** possess the star quality of **Fantastic Moon**. That said, he is confident they can hold their own in Hamburg's Derby this July. "I think **Palladium** is our number one," he asserts. **Academica** (**Gleneagles**), whose third dam is the legendary **Lombard** mare **Allegretta**, will be directed at Düsseldorf's German Oaks, while the **Zoffany** colt **Argentum** may have his sights set on the Italian Derby.

With their Australian offshoot, Liberty may dream of cross-continental domination. As Siepmann says, though, should **Amico** (**Camelot**) or **Aquaman** (**Cracksman**) come up with the goods, 2025 could at least be the year their success goes truly pan-European.

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IRELAND

Gr.3 EBF PARK EXPRESS STAKES, Curragh, 1m, 3yo+f&m, 1st €40,415, 2nd €13,015, 3rd €6,165, **3.40pm**

GOLDANA (Ire), 5m,

Galileo Gold – Humble And Proud (Pivotal)

MAGICAL SUNSET (Ire), 4f,

Kodiac - Fikrah (Medicean)

MAMMAS GIRL (GB), 4f,

Havana Grey – Mamma Morton (Elnadim)

CADEAU BELLE (Fr), 4f,

Harry Angel – Special Gift (New Approach)

LADY OF INISHFREE (Ire), 5m,

Farhh – Bittern (New Approach)

PEACE OF MINE (Ire), 4f,

Fast Company – Aurora Butterfly (Born To Sea)

YOU SEND ME (Ire), 4f,

Starspangledbanner – Coco Rouge (Shamardal)

ALPHERATZ (Ire), 3f,

Phoenix Of Spain – Rosie Scot (Holy Roman Emperor)

BRILLIANT (Ire), 3f,

Gleneagles – Plying (Hard Spun)

EVERLASTING (Ire), 3f,

Kingman – Could It Be Love (War Front)

SLI NA GHEALAI (Ire), 3f.

Vocalised - Oiche Ghealai (Galileo)

FRANCE

LR PRIX RONDE DE NUIT, Chantilly, 1100m, 3yo,

1st €27,500, 2nd €11,000, 3rd €8,250, **3.15pm** (GMT)

CLASSIC FLOWER (GB), 3f,

Calvx - Crown Of Flowers (Garswood)

ROYAL GREY (GB), 3f,

Havana Grey – Infamous Angel (Exceed And Excel)

GOVERNMENT CALL (Ire), 3c,

Soldier's Call – Peticoatgovernment (Holy Roman Emperor)

MYCONIAN (Ire), 3c,

Magna Grecia - Sirici (Choisir)

UN INSTANT (Fr), 3c,

Le Havre – Dusky Queen (Shamardal)

KINGSWOOD FLYER (Ire), 3c,

Sioux Nation – From This Day On (El Prado)

SYMMETRIC POWER (Ire), 3c,

Dark Angel – Evening Time (Keltos)

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Dark Angel - Regatta (Layman)

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Besiege (Ire), 2c, ex Dianthus (Epaulette) 1.35 Curragh, Irish EBF maiden, 5f

FAR ABOVE

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SERGEI PROKOFIEV

Arizona Blaze (GB), 2c, ex Liberisque (Equiano) 1.35 Curragh, Irish EBF maiden, 5f

VERBAL DEXTERITY

Monotone (Ire), 2c, ex Yes Oh Yes (Gone West) 1.35 Curragh, Irish EBF maiden, 5f

STALLIONS ROUND-UP

AUSTRALIAN SHUTTLE WINNERS

BLUE POINT

Blue Rocket (Aus), 2f, ex **Catherine Wheel** (Rogano) Ascot, Australia, 24 Feb, 2yo, cond, 1000mT, A\$43,840 B: Oakland Park Stud

CHURCHILL

Unthinkable (Aus), 4f, ex **Life's Zerprise** (Choisir) Moonee Valley, Australia, 23 Feb, 3yo+f&m, hcap, 1600mT, A\$33,000 B: Balcrest Pty Ltd

HARRY ANGEL

Angel Undercover (Aus), 3f, ex Romarin (Shamardal) Ascot, Australia, 24 Feb, 3yo, hcap, 1200mT, A\$43,840 B: Mr H W Daly

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EUR/USD - 1.09

Tycoon Harry (Aus), 3g, ex **Donna Dingles** (Denman) Ascot, Australia, 24 Feb, 2yo+, hcap, 1000mT, A\$43,840 B: Mrs M Wright

KUROSHIO

Pants On Fire (Aus), 5m, ex Fall In Love (Bianconi) Bathurst, Australia, 29 Feb, hcap, 1300mT, A\$13,950 **B: Mrs R Cunningham**

NO NAY NEVER

Blue Kentucky Moon (Aus), 6q, ex Blue Desert Moon (Monashee Mountain)

Rockhampton, Australia, 24 Feb, open hcap, 1100mT, A\$10,000 **B: Mrs H Yeates**

Can Do It (Aus), 6g, ex Chrisalice (Lujain) Orange, Australia, 24 Feb, hcap, 1010mT, A\$8,150 B: Arkle Bloodstock

Call Me Glorious (Aus), 3g, ex Boomex (Exceed And Excel) Sha Tin, Hong Kong, 25 Feb, hcap, 1200mT, HK\$655,200 **B: Emirates Park Pty Ltd**

Into You (Aus), 3f, ex Reeltop (Quality Road) Sandown, Australia, 28 Feb, 3yo, hcap, 1600mT, A\$30,250 B: Woodpark Stud

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