

(**Colonel John**), were fourth and sixth respectively. They have both been hitting the frame this year, but have good form in the books last year, with the former taking the Gr.1 Del Mar Oaks and the latter winning the Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup Stakes.

The field is completed by recent Gr.3 Honey Fox Stakes winner **Lull** (War Front) and last year's dual Gr.2 scorer **Cambodia** (War Front).

OGDEN PHIPPS STAKES

Bob Baffert's star mare **Abel Tasman** (**Quality Road**) will look to claim her fifth career Gr.1 win in the Ogden Phipps Stakes over an extended mile. Although she has failed to win this term, she was runner-up in both the Gr.1 Cotillion Stakes and Gr.1 Breeders' Cup Distaff.

Two of her likely rivals come from the Todd Pletcher yard. **Unbridled Mo** (**Uncle Mo**) scored her biggest career success to date when taking the Gr.1 Apple Blossom Handicap, while **Ivy Bell** (**Archarcharch**) was second in the Gr.1 Humana Distaff.

The Humana Distaff was won by the Simon Callaghan-trained **American Gal** (**Concord Point**) and she took the Gr.1 Test Stakes last year and was a length second in the Gr.1 Starlet Stakes to Abel Tasman in 2016.

Pacific Wind (**Curlin**) made her first start for Chad Brown when taking the Gr.2 Ruffian Stakes last month when she defeated two of today's rivals **Highway Star** (**Girolamo**) and **Unchained Melody** (**Smart Strike**). The Graham Motion-trained **Berned** (**Bernardini**) is the outsider of the field.

ACORN STAKES

Recent Gr.1 Kentucky Oaks and Gr.1 Ashland Stakes winner **Monomoy Girl** (**Tapizar**) is set to go off a short priced favourite for the Gr.1 Acorn Stakes over a mile. Her closest market rival is the Ralph Nicks-trained **Caledonia Road** (**Quality Road**), who last year won the Gr.1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies' and won on her return to action at this track in April. **Moonshine Memories** (**Malibu Moon**), who last year won the Gr.1 Chandelier Stakes before finishing seventh in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies', will re-oppose today. She was second on her first start this term. **Gio Game** (**Gio Ponti**) was ninth that day, but won on her return to the track last month.

The field is completed by Rodolphe Brisset's Gr.2 Eight Belles Stakes runner-up **Talk Veuve To Me** (**Violence**), Philip D'Amato's Gr.1 Santa Anita Oaks runner-up **Spectator** (**Jimmy Creed**) and Oscar M Gonzalez's **Starcloud** (**Backtalk**).

METROPOLITAN HANDICAP

The Chad Summers-trained **Mind Your Biscuits** (**Posse**) is set to line up as favourite for the Gr.1 Metropolitan Handicap off the back of Gr.1 success in the Dubai Golden Shaheen at Meydan in March. He was winning the race for the second consecutive year and had also taken the Gr.2 Belmont Sprint Championship Stakes, in which he beat today's rival **Awesome Slew** (**Awesome Again**).

Last year's Gr.1 Del Mar Futurity and Gr.1 Front Runner Stakes winner **Bolt D'Oro** (**Medaglia D'Oro**), the sole three-year-old in the race, is the favourite's closest market rival. He was second to **Justify** in the Gr.1 Santa Anita Derby in April before finishing down the field in the Gr.1 Kentucky Derby and takes the drop back in trip to a mile.

Bee Jersey (**Jersey Town**), previously trained in Dubai by Doug Watson, won the Gr.3 Steve Sexton Mile Stakes on his first start for his new trainer and also features prominently in the market.

Ben Colebrook's recent Churchill Downs Stakes winner **Limousine Liberal** (**Successful Appeal**) and William Mott's recent Gr.2 New Orleans Handicap winner **Good Samaritan** (**Harlan's Holiday**) will also take their chance.

INDUSTRY NEWS

FRANCE

CHAMPIONS CROWNED AT SPRINTER SACRE DECIZE SHOW

Moved from its traditional August positioning, the influential Decize AQPS Show, which was renamed the AQPS Sprinter Sacre Show, after its most famous graduate, took place yesterday.

There were a total of 36 AQPS two-year-olds catalogued, with two classes for fillies and a single class for colts and geldings. The overall champion was the Jacques Cypres-bred **Gironde**, a filly rather appropriately by **Sprinter Sacre's** sire **Network**. The filly (**No. 1**) is the first foal out of the unraced **Sleeping Car** mare **Tamise**, a half-sister to the Listed Prix Christian de Tredern scorer **Quizas Jolie** (**Video Rock**) and hails from the family of the brilliant chasing full-brothers of the ninties **Al Capone II** and **The Fellow**, both by **Italic**. The latter was a four-time Gr.1 scorer, while the former landed the Gr.1 Prix La Haye Jousellin seven times.

The Supreme Champion AQPS foal went to a colt from the first crop by Haras de Cergy's **Karakter** (**No. 124**). In total there were 64 entries across four classes, with two divisions apiece for fillies and males. The winner, who came out triumphant in the second division of the colts' class, was bred by Francoise and Raphael Van Damme out of the dual winner **Malmedy**, a daughter of **Luchiroverte**.

For the first time this year's show held classes for thoroughbred foals and the supreme champion prize was awarded to the Elevage des Vernes-bred son of **Cokoriko**. A total of 31 thoroughbred foals contested this section across four classes, split like the AQPS contest into two apiece for fillies and males. The victorious **No. 61** is a half-brother to a trio of multiple winners by **Mount Nelson**, **Panis** and **Sevres Rose**, out of the three-time winner **Pretty Soon** (**Zafonic**). She is a half-sister to the Gr.1 Future Champions Finale Juvenile Hurdle third **Bocamix** (**Linamix**) and the Gr.2 Champion Hurdle Trial and Gr.2 Elite Hurdle runner-up **Bertimont** (**Slickly**).

SUPREME CHAMPION AQPS 2YO

- NO. 1 GIRONDE** (Fr), 2f,
Network – Tamise (Sleeping Car)
2nd dam Gold Cup (Quart De Vin0)
3rd dam Countess Fellow (Italic)
B: Jacques Cypres

SUPREME CHAMPION AQPS FOAL

- NO. 124 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Karakter – Malmedy (Luchiroverte)
2nd dam Alicante II (Maiymad)
3rd dam Quartaxie (Saumon)
B: Francoise & Raphael Van Damme

SUPREME CHAMPION THOROUGHBRED FOAL

- NO. 61 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Cokoriko – Pretty Soon (Zafonic)

2nd dam Bocanegra (Night Shift)
 3rd dam Rose Paille (General Holme)
B: Elevage des Vernes

AQPS 2YO FILLIES DIV I

- NO. 1 GIRONDE** (Fr), 2f,
Network – Tamise (Sleeping Car)
B: Jacques Cypres
- NO. 3 GRAZIELA CONTI** (Fr), 2f,
Network – Toscana Conti (Dom Alco)
B: Patrick Joubert
- NO. 5 GRISE DE MAG** (Fr), 2f,
Gris De Gris – Naiade Mag (Kadalko)
B: Antoine-Audoine Maggiar

AQPS 2YO FILLIES DIV II

- NO. 22 GALA D'ARTHEL** (Fr), 2f,
Rail Link – Olga D'Arthel (Brier Creek)
B: Comte Guillaume de Brondeau
- NO. 24 GOUBGANDINE** (Fr), 2f,
Khalkevi – Noisilette (Dadarissime)
B: Marquise Esmeralda de Tracy
- NO. 15 GRANDE DAME** (Fr), 2f,
Cokoriko – Poute D'Auteuil (Network)
B: Nicolas Cypres and Jean-Paul Perruchot

AQPS 2YO COLTS AND GELDINGS

- NO. 31 GALVARDENA** (Fr), 2g,
Samum – Nota Bene (Video Rock)
B: Haras de Saint Voir
- NO. 33 GOINGTODEAUVILLE** (Fr), 2g,
Boris De Deauville – Blurette Du Seuil (Network)
B: Magalen Bryant and Emmanuel Clayeux
- NO. 35 GRINGO DES CRAIES** (Fr), 2c,
Rail Link – Unerose (Voix Du Nord)
B: Raymond Lemaitre

THOROUGHBRED FILLY FOALS DIV I

- NO. 39 JUNTA MARVEL** (Fr), f,
Masked Marvel – Junta Des Champs (Robin Des Champs)
B: SCEA Jean-Christian Raymond
- NO. 38 FAUTINETTE** (Fr), f,
Bathyrhon – Fautina (Poliglote)
B: SCEA Jean-Christian Raymond
- NO. 41 IDYLLE SAUVAGE** (Fr), f,
Coastal Path – Belle Sauvage (Anabaa Blue)
B: Florent Lanier

THOROUGHBRED FILLY FOALS DIV II

- NO. 46 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Coastal Path – Du Tac Au Tac (Sholokhov)
B: SCEA Bertwood Stables
- NO. 48 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Vision D'Etat – Hahyasi (Kahyasi)
B: Chrystelle and Ghislain Coutre
- NO. 45 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Gris De Gris – Marina (Paolini)
B: Florent Lanier

THOROUGHBRED COLT FOALS DIV I

- NO. 53 IDEAL D'ALLIER** (Fr), c,
Cokoriko – Rougedespoir (Bonnet Rouge)
B: Michel Larobe and Haras de Saint-Voir

- NO. 52 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Free Port Lux – Tes Belle (Shaanmer)
B: Jacques Cypres and Montigny-Sur-Canne
- NO. 51 IDEAL DES BORDES** (Fr), c,
Coastal Path – Carmen Des Bordes (Network)
B: EARL des Bordes de Monray and Chassy

THOROUGHBRED COLT FOALS DIV II

- NO. 61 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Cokoriko – Pretty Soon (Zafonic)
B: Elevage des Vernes and Aurouer
- NO. 58 ICELAND DE SIVOLA** (Fr), c,
Vision D'Etat – Miss Justice (Polish Summer)
B: Haras de Sivola and Lalizolle
- NO. 65 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Coastal Path – Highest Card (Alberto Giacometti)
B: SCEA Bertwood Stables and Tourny-Lurcy

AQPS FILLY FOALS DIV I

- NO. 81 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Karakter – Opaline Du Noyer (Ragmar)
B: Florence Couteaudier
- NO. 82 ISIS** (Fr), f,
Voiladenui – Venexia (Vespone)
B: Chrystelle & Ghislain Coutre
- NO. 77 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Jeu St Eloï – Quobalt (Ragmar)
B: Michele Juhen-Cypres

AQPS FILLY FOALS DIV II

- NO. 86 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Doctor Dino – Belle Ile (Linda's Lad)
B: Thierry Cypres
- NO. 94 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Gris De Gris – Or Light (Sleeping Car)
B: Patrice Vagne
- NO. 80 UNNAMED** (Fr), f,
Coastal Path – Sic Des Sacart (Agent Bleu)
B: SCEA Bertwood Stables

AQPS COLT FOALS DIV I

- NO. 117 INSULAIRE** (Fr), c,
Rail Link – Une Ile (Special Kaldoun)
B: Michele Juhen-Cypres
- NO. 110 IRIKO D'AIRY** (Fr), c,
Cokoriko – Purda D'Airy (Cadoudal)
B: Elevage D'Airy
- NO. 107 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Spanish Moon – Vega De Beaumont (Robin Des Champs)
B: Karine Perreau

AQPS COLT FOALS DIV II

- NO. 124 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Karakter – Malmedy (Luchiroverte)
B: Françoise & Raphael Van Damme
- NO. 123 ILLIKO DES PLANS** (Fr), c,
Cokoriko – Alicante De La See (Al Namix)
B: Charlotte & Mathias Cherpi and Jocelyne & Fabrice Couetil
- NO. 129 UNNAMED** (Fr), c,
Coastal Path – Chez Lulu (Fragrant Mix)
B: Philippe Thiriet