



# MONDAY REPORT

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## Andi'amu returns at Virginia Fall

Ballybristol Farm's Andi'amu, undefeated in his two starts this season, heads a competitive edition of the \$40,000 National Sporting Library and Museum Cup, the featured timber race of the 65th annual Virginia Fall Races at Middleburg's Glenwood Park on Saturday.

First post time is 1 p.m. for the eight-race program, which attracted full fields.

Stakes-placed over hurdles for trainer Leslie Young, Andi'amu was converted successfully to steeplethron racing over mixed obstacles last year and was sent over the timber fences in the current season. He won the Middleburg Hunt Cup by 5¼ lengths in April and the Virginia Gold Cup by three lengths on May 4.

Jack Doyle, who has ridden Andi'amu to victories in their last four starts, will again be in the saddle for the 3¼-mile National Sporting Library.

The French-bred nine-year-old will carry the 165-pound top weight and will again meet two competitors from the Virginia Gold Cup. Michael Smith's Le Chevalier, second at Great Meadow Race Course, will be ridden by Mark Beecher. Also second in the Middleburg Hunt Cup for trainer Julie Gomena,

Trainer Kathy Neilson named Gerard Galligan to ride Irv Naylor's Super Saturday, the third finisher in the Virginia Gold Cup. Super Saturday fell in the Radnor Hunt Cup.

Kiplin Hall's Katnap, an easy winner in a sodden Willowdale Steeplechase timber allowance on May 12, will share the 165-pound high-weight with Andi'amu. Trainer Willie Dowling named Darren Nagle to ride the 12-year-old French-bred.

Graham Watters will be aboard Kinross Farm's Just Wait And See, who was undeterred by the wet ground at Willowdale and won the Willowdale Steeplechase by six lengths for trainer Richard Valentine.

Michael Mitchell will ride Woodslane Farm's Overwhelming for trainer Jack Fisher. Overwhelming won a Fair Hill timber allowance on May 24.



Tod Marks

Schoodic cleared the last fence in his Mason Houghland Memorial victory in May.

## Schoodic tops Genesee Valley

Dolly Fisher's Schoodic, a graded stakes winner over hurdles and now a three-time winner over timber, heads a talented field for Saturday's \$30,000 Genesee Valley Hunt Cup.

First post time will be 1 p.m. for the 91st sanctioned running of the historic race meet in Genesee, N.Y.

Trained by Jack Fisher, the current owner's son, Schoodic transitioned to timber racing and won his first three starts, including the Iroquois Steeplechase's Mason Houghland Memorial timber allowance on May 11. He finished a close second in Shawan Downs' Brown Advisory Legacy Chase on Sept. 28.

Hadden Frost will ride the nine-year-old Tiznow gelding.

The Genesee Valley Hunt Cup's pace most likely will be set by Armata Stables' Grand Manan, who finished third, six lengths behind Schoodic, in the Legacy Chase. Winner of the 2016 Genesee Valley for trainer Billy Meister, Grand Manan will be ridden by Archie Macauley.

Two other starters experienced the Genesee course last year. Black and Blue Stable's

Monstaleur, trained and ridden by Forrest Kelly, finished second. The third finisher behind champion Doc Cebu, Frank A. Bonsal Jr.'s Stand Down, won the Pennsylvania Hunt Cup later in the season. Eric Poretz will ride Stand Down for trainer Joseph G. Davies.

It's Nothing, owned and trained by Kathy Neilson, is coming off a victory in a Shawan Downs allowance timber race. Skylar McKenna, the trainer's daughter, has a return call for the Genesee Valley.

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# Zanjabeel returns in Trials

Zanjabeel, the 2018 Eclipse Award champion for Rosbrian Farm and Meadow Run Farm, made his first racecourse appearance in more than a year at the Fall Horsemen's Invitational Steeplechase Trials at Shawan Downs on Saturday, Oct. 5.

The six-year-old champion took part in one of seven flat runs at the Trials, which were sponsored by the Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase Foundation and Shawan Downs.

After crossing the finish line of his trial, Ricky Hendriks-trained Zanjabeel worked a further mile on the suburban Baltimore course and picked up the pace under Ross Geraghty.

Zanjabeel made his last competitive start on Sept. 20, 2018, when he won Belmont Park's Lonesome Glory Handicap (Gr. 1) to seal his championship.

In addition to the flat heats, the Trials included schooling over fences, and approximately 25 horses participated in the hurdle exercise.



CanterClix

With trainer Sara Katz in the saddle, Adam Newman's Diplomat jumped a log as part of the Thoroughbred Makeover at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. The Grade 1 steeplechase winner won the Makeover's field hunter championship on Oct. 5.

# STEEPLECHASE STANDINGS

THROUGH SEPT. 30

### OWNERS BY EARNINGS

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings
Bruton Street-US	31	7	6	5	\$379,000
Riverdee Stable	19	4	5	2	247,350
Mrs. S.K. Johnston Jr.	38	9	5	7	242,500
Hudson River Farms	12	4	0	4	241,300
Rosbrian Farm	16	4	3	0	149,300
Irvin S. Naylor	46	4	5	8	145,000
Wendy Hendriks	5	1	2	1	126,900
Sharon E. Sheppard	15	4	3	3	119,050
Ballybristol Farm	12	3	3	1	107,850
Beverly R. Steinman	26	2	3	4	98,500

### JOCKEYS BY WINS

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings
Michael Mitchell	63	17	10	6	\$530,150
Jack Doyle	66	16	7	8	433,800
Sean McDermott	57	9	5	10	370,050
Willie McCarthy	42	8	8	5	308,300
Thomas Garner	47	7	4	6	374,000
Ross Geraghty	44	5	7	5	305,650
Richard Boucher	18	5	1	2	93,800
Gerard Galligan	45	4	7	7	198,550
Barry Foley	48	3	5	9	144,950
Hadden Frost	11	3	3	0	77,050

### TRAINERS BY WINS

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings
Jack Fisher	110	30	20	11	\$1,137,200
Jonathan Sheppard	68	13	5	11	526,350
Leslie F. Young	37	9	8	4	261,200
Ricky Hendriks	57	7	7	8	329,950
Katherine Neilson	43	7	5	5	167,750
Lilith Boucher	13	5	1	2	90,500
Julie Gomena	42	2	7	5	110,750
Todd Wyatt	20	2	4	4	58,250
Doug Fout	38	2	3	7	123,450
Elizabeth Voss	32	2	3	2	95,250

### HORSES BY EARNINGS

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings
Winston C	4	2	0	1	\$197,500
Surprising Soul	3	1	1	0	119,500
Snap Decision	5	3	2	0	116,700
Gibralfaro (Ire)	4	1	1	0	99,000
Scorpiancer (Ire)	3	1	0	0	96,000
Senior Senator	2	2	0	0	90,000
Andi'amu (Fr)	2	2	0	0	78,000
City Dreamer (Ire)	2	1	0	0	65,000
Hinterland (Fr)	6	0	2	1	62,450
Teodoro (Ire)	3	2	1	0	62,400