

AFTER MAKING a big impression when landing a debut win by six lengths at Kempton in January, **French Invasion** followed up that success at Lingfield on February 4.

The Le Havre colt, owned by Simon Munir and Isaac Souede, faced just two rivals at Lingfield in a novice event run over a mile and a half. Conceding weight to each of his rivals, Another Run and Fox Vision, French Invasion was ridden by Ryan Moore.

Having tracked Another Run for much of the race, French Invasion was pushed along to take the lead on the outer with just over a furlong to run, and kept on well to maintain his unbeaten record, always seemingly doing enough to hold off the challenge of Fox Vision by half a length.

Being a half-brother to the G1 Sydney Cup winner Shraaoh (by Sea The Stars), the unbeaten French Invasion remains an exciting prospect in the staying division and has been given an opening handicap rating of 86.

Krona, a three-year-old Sea The Moon filly owned and bred by Kirsten Rausing, made a successful handicap and seasonal debut at Kempton on February 15, running out the easy winner of a mile and a half handicap.

Stepping up in trip significantly, Krona faced six rivals at Kempton, including stablemate A Little Respect, the mount of

ROUNDUP

... of the yard's March winners



Krona and Jason Hart



French Connection, nearside, wins under Ryan Moore

Jo Mason. Smartly away from the stalls under Jason Hart, Krona led early on but was soon overtaken by the very keen Me and Mrs Jones.

As that rival began to weaken turning for home, Krona surged into the lead and was soon well clear of her field. Despite being eased by Jason in the closing stages, the filly scored by five

lengths from Sexy Remy, with A Little Respect, who had been carried wide into the straight, finishing a distant third.

Berwick Law finished well to open her winning account for the season when landing a mile and a quarter handicap at Lingfield on February 18.

The three-year-old Zoffany filly, owned by Dr Jim Walker, was ridden by Rossa Ryan. As Desfondado made the early pace, Berwick Law raced in touch, mostly in third position. Taking slightly closer order with two furlongs to race, she launched a challenge on the wide outside of the field. The further they went the better Berwick Law travelled and she kept on to win, going away, by a length and three-quarters from Densetsu.

Berwick Law is out of the Fastnet Rock mare, Standing Rock. A half-sister to Reckoning, the dam of Dr Walker's Subjectivist, Standing Rock won two of her three career starts, a fillies' maiden over a mile at Newbury and a fillies' handicap over 10 furlongs at Salisbury, before finishing in midfield in Deauville's Group 3 Prix Minerve.

Berwick Law is her second foal, and was purchased by Johnston Racing for €68,000 at Goffs Orby Yearling Sale in 2021.

JUST six days after winning at Kempton, Kirsten Rausing's filly **Krona** won again over a mile and a half, this time at Southwell on February 21 in a 0-70 handicap. Only four runners went to post, and Jason Hart was again in the saddle.

Krona raced in second for much of the race but took closer order on the home turn. Racing on the outside of her field, Krona forged clear in the straight allowing Jason the luxury of easing her down in the closing stages. At the winning post, she was five and a half lengths clear of Foinix, with Tollerton Forest a further six lengths back in third.

It is not unreasonable to suggest that Krona is a highly promising stayer. Her sire, Sea The Moon, won the Deutsches Derby (Group 1) by 11 lengths, and her dam, Kwanza, was trained by Mark for Miss Rausing to score over a mile and a quarter at Pontefract in 2019. ■



**Berwick Law wins under
Rossa Ryan**