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AQUEDUCT TO BE BROADCAST LIVE

Beginning this Sunday, and on every Sunday and Friday during the fall-winter meet, Long Island cable T.V. viewers will be able to enjoy the last-race triple live from Aqueduct. Nassau County OTB, the New York Racing Association Inc. and Cablevision will combine efforts to provide the coverage, which will be available on Nassau Cablevision to racing fans in eastern Queens, all of Nassau County and western Suffolk County. Permission has been granted by the New York State Racing and Wagering Board for the live broadcast.

SOVEREIGN AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED TONIGHT

The 19th annual Sovereign Awards dinner will be held at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto this evening. Winners in 15 categories will be honored for their accomplishments in Canadian racing. Finalists include 2-year-olds Comet Shine, O'Martin, Road Rush; 2-year-old fillies Alywow, Celmis, Term Limits; 3-year-olds Cheery Knight, Explosive Red, Peteski; 3-year-old fillies Astro Beauty, Deputy Jane West, Hey Hazel; older horses Benburb, Blitzer, Cozzene's Prince; older fillies Senate Appointee, Dance for Donna, Hero's Love; turf runners Cozzene's Prince, Explosive Red, Hero's Love; sprinters Apelia, British Banker, Deputy Jane West; breeders Kinghaven Farms, Knob Hill Stable, Barry Schwartz; owners Earle I. Mack, Bruno Schickedanz, Frank Stronach; jockeys Todd Kabel, Robert Landry, Mickey Walls; and trainers Roger Attfield, Daniel Vella, Michael Wright.

FLAWLESSLY WILL RACE IN '93 Five-year-old **Flawlessly**, who may have clinched her 2nd Eclipse as top turf mare with her win in the Matriarch Nov. 28, will campaign again next season. "If all goes well, we'll race," said trainer Charlie Whittingham.

SATURDAY, HOLLYWOOD PARK

West Coast sprinters will be featured at Hollywood Saturday in the \$100,000a Vernon O. Underwood H. at 6 furlongs. Prepping for the Underwood, BC Sprint runner-up **Meafara** (Meadowlake) went a half in :49 3/5 for trainer Gary Jones Tuesday. Also possible for the race are the filly **Arches of Gold** (Strike Gold) winner of the Cascapedia H. last out, and her stablemate SW **Gundaghia** (Ole Bob Bowers), a good 4th in the Hollywood Turf Express last out. Trainer Bob Baffert said yesterday, "We'll enter both, and then it will depend on the draw," adding that he doesn't want to see either horse draw the rail.

Arrowtown (Mr. Prospector) will make his 1st start since July and look for his 1st win of '93; **Bahatur** (Mt. Livermore) was 3rd to Cardmania in the Gill Ancient Title Oct. 17. **Davy Be Good** (Blue Eyed Davy), an allowance winner at Santa Anita in his most recent try, was purchased by Dr. Jerry Buss, Jonathan Idelsen and Rene St. Miguel for \$1,800; he has been 1st or 2nd in 7 of 10 '93 starts and has career earnings of \$152,000. "The thing about him, not only is he fast, he just tries so hard," said trainer Jim Buss. "He gives you 120 percent every time he runs. He's really a pleasure to train." **Memo** (Mocito Guapo), '91's champion 3-year-old in Chile and winner of the Smile H. BC Day, rounds out the field. Slerp had been pointing for the sprint, but trainer Bob Hess said Tuesday, "He's just not 100 percent. He's just not perfect and I don't want to run him unless he is." The 4-year-old will miss the race.

SUNDAY, HOLLYWOOD

A field of 5 now seems likely for the \$500,000 GI Hollywood Turf Cup. **Miatuschka** (General Holme) worked a half in :49 2/5 at Santa Anita yesterday, but trainer Bruce Jackson listed the mare as doubtful for the race. **Bien Bien** (Manila) will arrive at Hollywood from Santa Anita this afternoon and is scheduled to work over the turf there Thursday. Forecasters have predicted rain for the Los Angeles area, which is a concern for the '92 Turf Cup winner's trainer, Paco Gonzalez. "I'm hoping the rain will miss us. This horse doesn't like soft turf." The other definites for the 1 1/2 mile event are **Fraise** (Strawberry Road), **Know Heights** (Shirley Heights), **Explosive Red** (Explodent) and **Jeune Homme** (Nureyev).

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N.E.W.Y.O.R.K. REPORT

Yesterday's results:


8th-Aqu, \$34,000 Alw., 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:47, ft. Jay Cee Jay Stable's FLEETING WAYS (f, 3, Afleet—Vested Ways, by Vested Power), bred in FL by John Franks and conditioned by John Destefano Jr., denied 8-5 favorite HUCKSTER ROSE (Huckster) her 13th win by setting all the pace for a 1-length score...her 3rd straight over the AQU surface; record goes to 21-4-5-5 & \$117,300.

7th-Aqu, \$30,000 Alw., 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:47 2/5, ft. Mr. & Mrs. Henry T. Rathbun's MD homebred PROSPECT PLEASES (f, 3, Allen's Prospect—Run Smart, by Smarten), in her 1st route race for trainer Gordon Rathbun, found the lead after 6 panels, then burst to a 6 1/2-length win over favored PRINCESS HAIFA (Mr. Prospector), who is still looking for her 1st NA victory.

5th-Aqu, Mdn., 2yo, state-bred, 6f, 1:13 1/5, ft. Arthur I. Klein's BOLDLY BRAVE (g, 2, Carr de Naskra—Smart n' Irish, by Smarten), a SP earner of \$35,420 bred by Rozzie's Stable, Inc. and saddled by Howie Teshler, broke his maiden by 4 1/2 in his 5th outing.

3rd-Aqu, Mdn., 2yo, f, 8f-70yds, 1:47 4/5, ft. Making her 6th career start, Dogwood Stable's 8-5 favorite POLAR PRINCESS (f, 2, It's Freezing—Sharp Princess, by Sharpen Up (GB)) was a length in front at the wire and increases her bankroll to \$33,250 for trainer Leo O'Brien. She was bred in VA by Audley Farm, Inc.

6th-Aqu, Mdn., 3yo/up, 8.5f, 1:47 2/5, ft. Mohammed al Maktoum's DEMIDOFF (c, 3, Mr. Prospector—Secrettame (1/2 to TENTAM & KNOWN FACT), by Secretariat), a full brother to both GONE WEST (G1, \$682,251) & LION CAVERN (G2, \$420,815), was last of six after a 1/2-mile, but kicked in gear to win by 2 1/4 for trainer Christophe Clement. the \$475,000 Keeneland July sales graduate was bred in KY by Dr. W. O. Reed.



C.S.O.U.T.H.E.R.N. C.A.L.I.F.O.R.N.I.A. REPORT

Yesterday's Results:

3rd-Hol, \$32,000 Alw., 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:21 2/5, ft. The Hat Ranch's CA homebred BEST DRESS (f, 3, Jaklin Klugman—Summer Dress, by Summer Time Guy), 2nd by a 1/2 last out for trainer Mel Stute, was 2 in front of favored STELLAR AFFAIR at the line for her 1st tally since taking the Junior Miss S. (G3) in July '92; record improves to 9-3-2-0 & \$111,600.

8th-Hol, \$30,000 Alw., 3yo/up, 6.5f, 1:14, ft. Mike Mitchell's trainee PHARAOH'S HEART (g, 3, Persevered—Destroying Angel, by Northern Jove), claimed for \$50,000 by Horton & Burroughs two starts back, set sizzling fractions of :21 4/5, :44 2/5, and 1:08 2/5 before finishing 5 1/2 lengths in front; The Dale Kainer UT-bred has been on board in last 7 starts and stretches record to 15-4-5-3 & \$101,565. Gary Stevens

completed a consecutive riding triple.

7th-Hol, \$30,000 Alw., 2yo, f, state-bred, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. William Mitchell's CONCORDE'S MESSAGE (f, 2, Messenger of Song—Concorde's Demon, by Super Concorde), bred by Joseph Duffel and conditioned by Bob Baffert, made it two in a row with a wire-to-wire, 1-length score; never beaten more than 3 1/2 lengths, she extends record to 5-2-2-0 & \$40,100.

6th-Hol, Mdn., 2yo, 8fT, 1:38 3/5, fm. Mr. & Mrs. John C. Mabee's KY homebred CROWNING DECISION (c, 2, Chief's Crown—Lady Pastor, by Flying Paster) carried the Golden Eagle Farm colors to a 6 1/2-length romp over 9 rivals; the Rodney Rash trainee, bettors' choice at 6-5, won at 3rd-asking.

SECOND CROP SIRE LIST**BY LIFETIME NUMBER OF WINNERS**

Statistics through December 2, 1993

Rank	Sire	Starters	Lifetime Winners
1	Afleet	70	43
2	Lost Code	61	41
3	Waquolt	67	39
4	Forty Niner	51	37
5	Mining	50	35
6	Jade Hunter	50	34
7	Alysheba	71	31
8	Tallnum	46	31
9	= Common Grounds (GB)	61	29
10	Personal Flag	50	29
11	Java Gold	50	28
12	High Britte	45	27
13	Jazzing Around	43	27
14	Guich	62	26
15	Wayne's Crane	42	26
16	Ascot Knight	49	25
17	Red Attack	47	25
18	Dixieland Brass	46	24
19	Bet Twice	45	22
20	Fuzzy	46	22
21	Risen Star	53	22
22	Siyah Kalem	46	22
23	Tejano	38	22
24	Bold Executive	30	21
25	Ferdinand	42	21

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TIME FOR A CHANGE

By Jerry Brown

Virtually everyone in racing with access to a byline or microphone has at one time or another addressed what they think has gone wrong with this sport--and what should be done about it. While that portion of the industry with expense accounts convene in Arizona, those of us stuck in colder climates are forced to find ways to amuse ourselves indoors. Which means it is my turn on the soapbox.

Owners and horseplayers are the two most important interest groups in the industry, because without them there is no game. Unfortunately, they are also the ones whose opinions are the least heard, because they are disenfranchised. My company, Thoro-Graph, makes a living supplying data to these two groups, so the opinions and suggestions that follow are the informed result of that association--along with common sense.

Can you think of any other major sport that holds its events on weekdays, in the afternoon? It's common knowledge by now that almost everyone at the track is pretty old. Well, here's a news flash...people under the age of retirement are either employed, in which case they have to be at work, or unemployed, in which case they have no money to bet. Tracks like Monmouth, Saratoga and Del Mar can succeed with daylight weekday cards because they are in vacation areas. For the others, night racing is the way to go. Trainers don't like it, but they do like higher purses, which are a function of higher handle.

Next--every time the industry holds a convention, someone stands up and says racing must market itself. This is okay up to a point, but there is a distinction to be made here and since most of the people who run racing are not horseplayers, they miss it. You can market a movie or a baseball game; they are spectator events. But racing is a participant sport. You don't just want fans to show up, you want them to bet. Remember the old saying, "That's what makes horse racing?" To bet they have to have an opinion, and to have an opinion they have to have an understanding of the game. This means that it is of paramount importance to educate them--bringing someone through the gates because of a free T-shirt won't help unless they are developed into players. They won't come back, except perhaps for a family picnic, or to get another T-shirt.

The obvious means to educate large groups, disseminate information and create interest and a market is television. Thirty years ago, football and basketball were minor sports in this country, but two things happened. The first is that the games themselves got

tremendous exposure through T.V. The other is that John Madden, Mike Fratello et al. raised the consciousness of viewers. Everyone thinks they could coach in the NFL, and they back up their opinions by calling their local bookmaker.

It is important to note here that illegal sports betting is far more costly to racetracks than casino gambling. First of all, you can do it without having to travel to a casino. Secondly, those who bet horses have much more in common with sports bettors than with casino gamblers. One group invests on a perceived (and actual) cause and effect relationship between past performance and future outcome; the other truly gambles on the vagaries of chance.

One side effect of television is that it has created short attention spans. Most of us have a remote control and watch a couple of ballgames at the same time. The format of going to a track for a brief period of activity at 30-minute intervals is a tough sell to young people, but it's a perfect set-up for T.V. at home, where you can do something else between races, like watch a ballgame. Home betting is absolutely key to the future of the industry. How many sporting events did you watch last month? How many of those did you actually attend in person?

A related issue is that betting costs too much. Do you know of any casinos that charge admission? Tracks charge for admission, parking and programs. Throw in the cost of a Racing Form, beer and a hot dog, and a guy has to hit the double just to break even. On the other hand, he could stay home to watch (and bet on) a ballgame for free, and he doesn't have to travel to do it. Think about it--you are asking people who have never been exposed to racing to pay to learn how to play the game, when they have alternatives which are free. And then there is the question of the outrageously exorbitant take-out, which is much higher than that taken by those who book sporting events. Players quickly find out that they have a far greater chance of winding up even or ahead after a Sunday afternoon of football betting than at the racetrack.

Finally, has anyone noticed that the number of horses being entered for races is shrinking, and the corresponding effect on betting handle? As with everything else, "money makes the mare go." Few people will enter a business in which they see almost no chance to show a profit, and fewer still have the heart and financial ability to stick it out when their stables lose money year after year. We have to give owners and potential owners a reasonable chance to show a profit, which means dramatically raising purses, lowering their costs, or both.

Having said all of that, it's important to point out that racing's problems are soluble. For a long time, the industry had a monopoly and developed the symptoms of that condition, one of which is inertia. The means for change are available. What's required is recognition of the situation and aggressive action.



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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-Lrl, \$30,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:44 1/5, ft. Christiana Stables' MSW KY homebred **STEM THE TIDE** (m, 5, Proud Truth—Temper the Wind, by Elocutionist), part of trainer James Murphy's entry, gained the lead after a 1/2-mile and pulled clear by 2 1/2 in her followup to a 3rd-place finish in the Isabella S.; she improves to 35-12-7-4 & \$349,367. Stablemate **PART WITH PRIDE** (Executive Pride (Ire)) was 3rd.

9th-Med, \$30,200, 12-7, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. Lindon Knoll Farm's N.J. homebred **ODDS LESS** (c, 3, Mannerism—Doubiruby, by Double Zeus), coming off a 2nd-place finish for trainer Steve Cooper, grabbed the lead in mid-stretch and held off pacesetter **SUPER CORY** by a length for 4th win of the year.

6th-Med, \$27,700, 12-7, 3yo/up, f/m, state-bred, 6f, 1:11, ft. Bettors' choice **LAIRD MANOR** (f, 3, Stacked Pack—Stuart Manor, by Shore Patrol), bred by William A. Purdey and trained by Michael Hushion for Lou Donato, drew clear in the stretch to win by 1 1/2 for 1st victory since July; has been 1-2-3 in last 8 starts and pushes record to 20-3-6-6, \$78,538.

8th-Med, \$24,000, 12-7, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f-70yds, 1:43 2/5, ft. Helen Kerr's **METALLIC ROSE** (f, 3, Iron—Odie Oop, by Ali Oop), a former claimer bred in NY by Virginia Townsend & Karen Carey, reserved just enough to prevail by a nose after racing on the lead throughout for trainer Damon Dilodovico.

9th-Crc, \$22,000, 3yo, 5f, :58 1/5, ft. Pedigree Stud Farm's 3-2 favorite **GREY COUNTER** (c, 3, Geiger Counter—Grey Sister, by Iron Ruler), returned from a narrow loss for trainer B. Ross, prevailed by a nose after a long stretch battle; the SW Anderson Farms Canadian-bred improves to 11-4-2-1 & \$138,577.

3rd-BM, \$22,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, my. Dennis Corti & Gerald Santucci's **SUSAN'S CORSAIR** (c, 4, Pirate's Bounty—Susan Subtle, by Hillary), bred in CA by River Edge Farm & Windy Hill T.B.A., hooked front-running favorite **CARAMEL TWIST** (Casa Dante) with 1/4-mile left to run, then fought that rival to the line and succeeded by a neck for 5th win of the year. The Lonnie Arterburn trainee, claimed last out for \$25,000, extends record to 24-6-6-4 & \$126,020.

8th-BM, \$20,000, 2yo, 8f, 1:37 1/5, my. Returning after placing 3rd in the Foster City S., Charles Dunn's **SARATOGA BANDIT** (c, 2, Saratoga Six—Fancify, by Diplomat Way) improved his stats to 7-2-0-2 with a 2-length tally for trainer Dan Markle; the McLean & Van Nagell KY-bred now has \$30,350 in earnings.

9th-Haw, \$19,360, 3yo/up, state-bred, 8f-70yds, 1:43 1/5, ft. Carl Pasquale's favored **MY PAL DAD** (g, 4, Buckfinder—Lady Dictator, by Mr. Leader), bred by Tom Mara and conditioned by Lou Goldfine, picked up his 1st win of the season with a neck victory; record now stands at 22-3-4-3 & \$66,526.

7th-Crc, \$18,100, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:49, ft. Steve Dwoskin's trainee **ALLURING SECRETARY** (f, 3, Valid Appeal—Alluring Girl, by Secretariat), bred in FL by Harry T. Mangurian Jr. and

campaign by Wendy Dwoskin & F. Labenski, won by 3 1/2 under Sebastien Madrid; has been on board in last 7 starts and improves to 21-2-5-7, \$40,685.

7th-FG, \$17,500, 2yo, c/g, 8f, 1:39 2/5, ft. Patricia Blass' **WANT A MIRACLE** (c, 2, Regal Classic—Clever Guest, by Wise Exchange), bred in Canada by James Falco/C.G. Scott & trained by Wm. Fires, dropped out of stakes and defeated 7-5 favorite **BUDKAN** (Kokand) by a neck for 3rd win in last 4 outings.

8th-Crc, \$17,000, 3yo/up, a9ft, 1:49 2/5, fm. **BAY ROCKET** (g, 6, Forbidden Pleasure—Shiny Jade, by Mighty Gun), competing in starters and allowances since being claimed for \$9,000 in May, collected his 6th tally of the season with a nose victory for trainer Oliver Edwards; the H. Sachs colorbearer, bred in LA by James Stroope, extends record to 52-13-15-4 & \$102,068.

6th-Lrl, \$16,800, 2yo, f, 5.5f, 1:06, ft. Elser Farms' KY homebred **COFFEE COMMERCIAL** (f, 2, Java Gold—T. V. Bee, by T. V. Commercial), saddled by Michael Goswell, doubled her earnings to \$18,880 with a 1 1/2-length score over 6-5 favorite **INDIAN PARADISE** (Mt. Livermore).

8th-Haw, \$16,500, 2yo, 6.5f, 1:18 4/5, ft. Early trailer **NORTHERN RELATION** (f, 2, Gate Dancer—Twisted Relation, by Torsion), bred in FL by Robert S. Evans and trained by David Hinsley for Chez Le May Farm, returned off a narrow loss to win by a 1/2; record now 5-2-2-0, \$24,655. Favored **GATO MACHO** (Storm Cat) was a head farther back in 3rd, but was DQ'd to 4th.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Desert Butterfly, f, 2, Desert Wine—Time for Zimbler, by Valdez. Hol, 12-8, 6.5f, 1:17 1/5. B-Fran & Ron Stolich (Ca.). *Won by 5 1/2.

Barney's Encore, f, 3, Exclusive Encore—Barney's Babe, by Soy Numero Uno. TuP, 12-8, 6f, 1:11. B-D. & C. Anderson (Ca.).

Lady Ellen, f, 2, Explosive Bid—Marvin's Annette, by Majestic Prince. Crc, 12-8, a8.5ft, 1:47 2/5. B-Bernard Mandler (Fl.). *Full to EXPLOSIVE JEFF (\$261,693).

Bessies Bayou, f, 2, Manzotti—Fapulous Star, by Fappiano. FG, 12-8, 8f, 1:40 1/5. B-Harold Goodman (Tx.).

Momentous Occasion, f, 2, Moment of Hope—Shana Dana, by Grand Revival. Crc, 12-8, 8f, 1:42. B-Dede McGehee (Ky.).

All Mirth, c, 2, Poles Apart—All Joyful, by Joyful Charger. Lrl, 12-8, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-John A. Manfuso (Md.).

Duke's Star, c, 2, Proudest Duke—Augen, by Temperance Hill. Lrl, 12-8, 8.5f, 1:47 3/5. B-Blalock South, Inc. (Fl.).

Rebecca Gay, f, 3, Master Derby—Faraway Sands (1/2 to RED RANSOM), by Stop the Music. Haw, 12-8, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Marvin Little Jr. (Ky.).

+For Don, g, 3, Stately Don—Belle Watling, by Full Pocket. Suf, 12-8, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Folsom, Jones, et al (Ky.). *Won by 6.

Luiutenant Nellson, g, 3, Toooverprime (Ire)—Luie Nell, by Sensitive Music. BM, 12-8, 8f, 1:38. B-Mr./Mrs. Stowe (Wa.).

Kool Kelly, g, 4, *Habitony—Career, by Poona II. Hol, 12-8, 6f, 1:09 4/5. B-Kelly & Marie Christianson (Ca.).

Bad Omen, g, 4, Perrault (GB)—Grisabella, by *Cougar II. Haw, 12-8, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-K & R Hastie (Ill.). ■