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HORSES KILLED IN LONG ISLAND

FIRE Twenty-nine horses valued at \$2 million were killed in a fire at Maud E. Frank's The Manor farm in Manorville, New York late Monday night. Among the victims were stallions **Mawsuff (GB)** and **Semaj**. 23 of the dead were 3-year-olds and up, including 1 horse, **Sun Valley Sky**, who had raced at Aqueduct this month. Six of the victims were 2-year-olds and younger. Six horses were rescued from the fire, including 1992 Belmont Stakes runner-up **My Memoirs (GB)**. All the horses involved in the fire were the property of The Manor. About 40 additional horses, who are housed in another barn on the 15-acre farm, were untouched by the blaze. The cause of the fire is yet unknown.

MEDIA ECLIPSE AWARDS

ANNOUNCED The TRA announced 1993 Eclipse Award winners in 4 categories of the media last night. Tom Leach of WVLK-Radio in Lexington, Ky. is the recipient of the award for Outstanding Radio Achievement. His program "Sportsline 59: Big Red Remembered," which commemorated the 20th anniversary of **Secretariat's** Triple Crown campaign, aired April 30th, the eve of the 1993 Kentucky Derby. E.S. "Bud" Lamoreaux III was awarded for Outstanding National Television Achievement for a feature on trainer Charles Whittingham which aired Nov. 7 on "CBS News Sunday Morning With Charles Kuralt." The award for Outstanding Local Television Achievement went to Stephen Sadis and his production company Perpetual Motion Pictures. The award-winning feature, an 80-minute documentary entitled "THE MIRACLE STRIP: A Story of Longacres Race Track," aired Sept. 30 on KBTC-TV in Tacoma, Washington. Michael Burns received his 2nd Eclipse Award for Outstanding Photographic Achievement for a photo depicting "The Final Days" at Greenwood Racetrack in Toronto. Burns won his 1st Eclipse in 1974. The Eclipse Award for Outstanding Magazine and Newspaper Writing will be announced Jan. 12.

Saturday, Calder

LA PREVOYANTE INVITATIONAL GII, \$150,000, 3&up, f&m, 1 1/2m(T)

The list of 26 nominations is headed by highweight **Trampoli** (Trempolino), listed at 120 pounds. The 4-year-old filly won her last 2 starts, the GII Long Island H. and GIII Athenia H., at Belmont in Oct. Both **Chickasha** (Ankara) and **Miatuschka** (General Holme) were listed next at 116 pounds. Four-year-old Chickasha is also coming off a 2-race winning streak that includes the My Charmer H. and Miss Tropical H., both at Calder. Five-year-old Miatuschka, a 2-time graded stakes winner in 1993, finished 5th to Fraise in her last start, the GI Hollywood Turf Cup. Other notable nominees include **Putthepowdertoit** (Talc), **Ratings** (Caveat) and **Amal Hayati** (Seattle Song).

Sunday, Calder

W.L. McKNIGHT INVITATIONAL GII, \$150,000, 3&up, 1 1/2m(T)

1992 BC Turf winner **Fraise** (Strawberry Road-AUS) heads the list of 30 nominations. Jockey Chris McCarron will fly in from California for the mount. The Madeleine Paulson-owned 5-year-old, who won the GI Hollywood Turf Cup by 6 lengths last out, will carry top weight of 126. **Carterista** (Dr. Carter) was listed as 2nd highweight of 121. The 4-year-old colt has won 6 stakes in 1993, including the GIII Tropical Turf H., the Melreese H. and the GIII Miami Breeders' Cup H. in his last 3 outings. Three-year-old **Awad** (Caveat) was listed next at 118 pounds. A 5-time stakes-winner, Awad has been idle since his 8th-place finish in the Rothman's International at Woodbine Oct. 17. Other notable nominees include **Excellent Tipper** (Vice Regent), **Non Partisan** (Alleged), **Reggae (ARG)** (Fort de France-ARG) and **Daarik (IRE)** (Diesis-GB).

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MIKE SMITH SNOWED OUT AT LAUREL

Jockey Mike Smith lost his chance to break Pat Day's record of 60 stakes wins in 1 year Tues. when racing was cancelled at Laurel after two races because of poor visibility in snowy conditions. Smith, who has tied the record with 60, had traveled to the Md. track to ride in the Ambernash S. Ironically, the horse he was originally engaged to ride, **Wissie's Wish** (The Cool Virginian), was a late scratch. Smith then picked up the mount on 5-1 choice **Shiprock** (Ga Hai). "It's too bad," said Smith. "I wish I knew that the weather was going to become this severe. My immediate plans are to return to New York. There's a stakes race Thurs. and Fri. and it looks like it will be my best shot." Smith will ride **Hey Baba Lulu** (Silent Screen) in Thurs.'s Ticonderoga H. at Aqueduct. The 5-year-old mare, who is trained by Scott Schwartz, won last year's running of the Ticonderoga.

PETRACO WINS 1ST BRITISH RACE UNDER FLOODLIGHTS

Five-year-old **Petraco** (IRE) (Petorius-IRE) made history when he won Great Britain's 1st horserace ever to be run under floodlights. The 6 furlong Musco Lighting H. took place at the new \$23 million all-weather Wolverhampton circuit just after 4 p.m. Sun. Petraco's victory came in a tight photo-finish that had the jockeys of both horses involved thinking they had lost. Petraco's jockey, 25-year-old Steve Williams, had already worked 10 horses under the floodlights before Sun.'s race. "It must have been a help to have experienced the lights and to have gotten to know the course," said Williams. Approximately 10,000 racing fans were on hand to witness the historic event.

NO EXCUSES FOR GILDED TIME "We've never had to make excuses for him before, and it's hard to imagine how to explain his performance," said Greg Otteson, assistant to trainer Darrell Vienna, of 1992 Juvenile Champion **Gilded Time**, who ran 6th as the 4-5 favorite in the GII Malibu S. at Santa Anita Sun. "It was completely uncharacteristic of his earlier performances," said Otteson. "Other than the obvious of his being caught inside on a very hot pace, right now we haven't come up with anything. But we'll continue to monitor him." The 3-year-old son of Timeless Moment was fitted with a special egg-shaped shoe on his right fore, the leg which had been plagued with a mysterious ailment since shortly after he won the BC Juvenile Oct. 31, 1992. "The shoe is a touch heavier than normal," said Otteson. "It does take a bit off the performance in that it never grips as well. But he hasn't had any problem with it and it acts like a pump in that it promotes healing and keeps the hoof together."

PACIFIC SQUALL RETIRED Three-time graded stakes-winner **Pacific Squall** (Storm Bird) has suffered a fracture in her left front cannon bone and has been

retired from racing. Trudy McCaffery and John Toffan's 4-year-old filly suffered the injury during the running of the GII Silver Belles H. at Hollywood Dec. 5, in which she finished 2nd by 1/2 length to **Golden Klair** (GB) (Damister). "She is such a nice, hard-trying filly," said trainer Paco Gonzalez. "It's too bad she had so much bad luck in her career." Pacific Squall, who won 5 of 10 races and \$384,575, remains at Gonzalez' barn and will eventually be shipped to Kentucky to serve as a broodmare. Another multiple stakes winner owned by McCaffery and Toffan, the 5-year-old mare **Visible Gold** (Deputy Minister), will race one more time before shipping to Kentucky to be bred to **Seattle Slew**.

SIR BEAUFORT TURNED OUT

Victoria Calantoni's **Sir Beaufort** (Pleasant Colony), winner of the GI Santa Anita H. Mar. 6, has been turned out at Bradbury, trainer Charlie Whittingham reported Tues. morning. "We're just giving him a little breather," said Whittingham. "We've blistered his left fore and probably will do both legs." Whittingham did not rule out Sir Beaufort's return in time to defend his title in the \$1 million Santa Anita H., to be run March 5.



Yesterday's Results:

LA BREA S.-Gill, SA, \$110,900, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:20 2/5, ft.

1--**@MAMSELLE BEBETTE**, f, 3, Copelan (Hooper Farms-FL)--Targa (G3-\$334,271), by Cannonade. O-Big Train Farm; B-Hobby Horse Farm (FL.); T-Jack Van Berg; \$65,900.

2--**Desert Stormer**, f, 3, Storm Cat (Overbrook Farm-KY)--Breezy Stories, by Damascus. O-Joanne Nor; \$20,000.

3--**Island Orchid**, f, 3, Aggravatin' (Cypress West Farm-CA)--Granizada (Arg), by Wohlgeruth. O-Champagne, Davidson & Ordonez; \$15,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 6, nose.

MAMSELLE BEBETTE, a 2xSP runner this year, settled just behind pacesetter **DESERT STORMER** and battled her for the lead through the stretch before pulling clear to a 1 1/4 length victory, her 1st in stakes ranks; earnings increase to \$144,075, stats to 13-4-3-3. Jockey Corey Nakatani said of the 21-1 longshot winner, "We'd been trying to route her, but I think this is her best distance." Trainer Jack Van Berg added, "She trained awfully well for the race. I told owner John Forsythe before the race that she'd run as good on dirt as she had on grass. I think she'll be as good as any filly I've ever had." 2-1 favorite **DESERT STORMER**, previously 2 for 2, left her opponents behind and easily beat **ISLAND ORCHID** by 6 lengths. Both fillies were making their stakes debuts.



3rd-SA, \$50,000 Alw., 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08 2/5, ft.
1-ANOTHER NATALIE (f, 5, Naevus--Natalie Knows, by Decidedly)

O/B-Ed & Natalie Friendly (Ca.). T-John Sadler.

2-She's Tops (Capote--She's a Talent)

3-Arches of Gold (Strike Gold--Pittsy)

ANOTHER NATALIE took her 1st win since Apr., in a come from behind drive that saw her make up 8 lengths in the stretch and win by 1 1/2, for a new bankroll of \$196,825; 5 wins. She's Tops, a G2 SW last year, making her 4th start this year and still looking for a '93 win, sat behind the pace but never reached the lead, wearing down Arches of Gold to take 2nd by a nose. Last year's G3-La Brea S. winner, Arches of Gold, favored to win and a 2xSW this year, fought to gain the lead early on, but was pressured from behind and failed to prevail as the leader.

5th-SA, \$37,000 Alw., 3yo/up, state-bred, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft.

1-SINGAPORE BOY (g, 3, Marshua's Dancer--Negotiated Alimony, by Search for Gold)

O-Mrs. Molly Ezekiel. B-Rancho Jonata (Ca.). T-Neil Drysdale.

2-Ke Express (Expressman--Kesis)

3-Video Alert (Debonair Roger--Such a Splash)

SINGAPORE BOY, coming off a Mdn. win, receives his 1st Alw. victory by a head, after tailing front-runner Ke Express, then overcoming him late in the stretch to cross the wire in front. Earnings now \$33,650; record 3-2-1-0. Video Alert, SP this year, gained steady ground after breaking next to last, but was never a threat to the leaders.

6th-SA, \$32,000 Mdn., 2yo, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft.

+ISITINGOOD (c, 2, Crusader Sword--Wancha, by Transworld) took the lead from favorite Commanche Trail to tally a 3 1/2 length win in his career opener. O-Henn, Henn & Pegram. B-Casse & Katz (Fl.). T-Bob Baffert.

4th-SA, \$18,000 Mdn., 2yo, f, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

SERENDIPITY (f, 2, Siyah Kalem--Royal Glimpse, by Faliraki {Ire}), making her 3rd start, settled just off the lead, moved in to front position in the stretch and triumphed by 2.

O/T-Jerry Buss. B-Anderson Ranch (Ca.).

NEW STALLION FOR 1994

CHIEF HONCHO

WALMAC INT'L.

Ch 1987 Chief's Crown-Expressive Dance (Riva Ridge)

1994 Stud Fee \$3,500 Live Foal

Trainer Bill Mott conditioned Chief Honcho throughout a 34-start, \$1,265,719 racing career that included 3 graded stakes victories. "I felt that one of his best races might have been when he was 2nd to In Excess (IRE) in the Suburban," said Mott. "In some of his best races I think he finished 2nd. But it was against top company and he really did run well in the Suburban. He was 3rd in the Iselin down at Monmouth; Black Tie Affair (IRE) only beat him about 1/2 length. He also won the Brooklyn and the Jim Dandy. But I would say the 2nd in the Suburban was really a super race. The horse ran his heart out." What Mott misses the most about Chief Honcho is simply having him around the barn. "He was a fun horse to be around," said Mott. "He was a big, strong horse and he was plenty proud of himself." Mott feels Chief Honcho will make a good sire. "I think his conformation is good and I think he's a very attractive horse," said Mott. "I'm not a pedigree expert, but I know if you take out the sheet and look at it he's got a very strong female line. He was a good race-horse and he was a good sound horse that earned over a million dollars."

Chief Honcho arrived at Walmac Int'l. in Lexington, Ky. 6 weeks ago to begin his career at stud. John Jones Jr., general manager of Walmac, is optimistic about the chestnut's stallion prospects. "There's 2 things that horses have to start with," said Jones. "There's pedigree and race record, and he's got both." Jones said the reception to Chief Honcho has been very good, and his book should include about 50 to 60 mares. Meanwhile, the stallion is enjoying his days of leisure. "A typical day for him now is eating, relaxing and waiting for the breeding season," said Jones. "He looks fantastic. He's just as nice as can be and a very smart horse. He's right home now."



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Stakes Result:

INAUGURAL S., Tam, 12-26, \$28,500, 2yo, 7f, 1:25 2/5, ft.

1--#**ROGLEE**, c, 2, **Naevus (Airdrie Stud-KY)--Crimson Orchid, by Restivo.**

O/B-Roger Kumar (KY.); T-Glenn Wismer; \$17,100.

2--**Exclusive Praline**, c, 2, **Ecliptical (Ernie Haire Ford Stables-FL)--Toasted Almond, by Tri Jet.**

O-Carl Cooper; \$5,700.

3--**Loadofhope**, c, 2, **Carload (Journeyman**

Bloodstock-FL)--Hopeful Liaison, by Current Hope.

O-Mar Vic Stable; (\$7,000 two-year-old 1993 OBS March 2yos in training sale); \$2,850.

Margins: 2 1/2, 1, 1.

Odds-on favorite **ROGLEE**, SP earlier this year in the Turfway Prevue S., made his 1st appearance outside Ky. as he pressed the early leaders into the backstretch and took command to ward off **Exclusive Praline**, who stalked the pace, but could not get in front. **Loadofhope**, whose only win came in an earlier maiden effort, found a good late stride, but failed to make up enough ground. Winner **Roglee** gains a new income of \$43,646, record of 4-2-1-0.

Allowance Results:

9th-Pha, \$21,780 Alw., 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft.

CONTENDING (g, 3, Two Punch--Ramhyde, by Ram-bunctious) improves his race record to 17-4-3-0, after steadily gaining on the leaders and pulling ahead in the stretch to win by 1 1/4. The recent claimer is a 1/2 brother to **ROWDY ANGEL** (by Halo, dam of **DEMONS BEGONE** {G1-\$609,944, by Elocutionist} and **PINE BLUFF** {G1-\$2,255,884, by Danzig}) and increases earnings to \$48,123.

O-Daniel Borislow. B-Black Gates Nursery Trust (Pa.).

T-John Scanlan.

9th-Crc, \$19,200 Alw., 3yo/up, f/m, a9fT, 1:49 4/5, fm.

SHARP TRACY (f, 3, Pass the Line--Sharp Maid, by Sharpen Up {GB}) came from near the back of the field in a steady drive that saw her stongest stride late, as she pulled in front in the stretch and triumphed by a nose, raising bankroll to \$65,940. Third this year in the **Revidere S.**, she favors the turf, with 3 wins out of 20.

O-Tuovus Stable. B-Arthur Appleton (Fl.).

T-Lawrence Jennings.

Maiden Winners:

+ **Isitingood**, c, 2, **Crusader Sword--Wancha, by Transworld.** SA, 12-28, 6f, 1:08 3/5. B-Casse & Katz (Fl.).

+ **Chesis**, g, 2, **Lil Fappi--Lachesis, by Iron Ruler.** Pha, 12-28, 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Lawrence Littman (N.J.).

*Led wire-to-wire, won by 5 1/4; 1/2 to **MUSKOKA WYCK** (\$334,025, by Tentam).

Serendipity, f, 2, **Siyah Kalem--Royal Glimpse, by Faliraki (Ire).** SA, 12-28, 6f, 1:09 4/5. B-Anderson Ranch (Ca.).

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