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HERALD OFFERS SUNLINE CLARIFICATION

Two days after an article in the *Sydney Morning Herald* instigated an investigation into Sunline (NZ) (Desert Sky {GB})'s victory in Sunday's G1 Hong Kong Mile, the Australian newspaper published a clarification yesterday. In Tuesday's edition of the paper, Sunline's jockey Greg Childs was said to have, "admitted having devised a race plan with colleague Justin Sheehan," who rode Adam (Aus) (Rubiton {Aus}) to a third-place finish in the Mile. Childs was quoted as saying, "I spoke to Justin and said, 'Look, we can't cut each other's throat and challenge for the lead. Justin agreed. I just told him to follow me.'" Those comments caused the Hong Kong Jockey Club to investigate the running of the Group 1 race. Thursday's clarification stated that reporter Darren Prendergast "misinterpreted comments by the winning jockey, Greg Childs, as an admission by Childs that he had devised a race plan with another jockey, Justin Sheehan... Childs made no such admission."

SOUTHERN STARS ARRIVING FOR AMERMAN

John Amerman has purchased Chilean star three-year-olds Lido Palace (Chi) (Rich Man's Gold) and Printemps (Chi) (Hussonet) to join his southern California racing stable. Lido Palace, by the Forty Niner stallion Rich Man's Gold, wrapped up the Chilean Triple Crown in winning the G1 Premio St. Leger at Santiago's Hipodromo Chile last Saturday. The half brother to multiple Group 1 winner Cremcaramel (Chi) (Roy) arrived in California yesterday. He joins three-year-old filly Printemps, who was shipped north following a victory in the G1 Premio Alberto Solari Magnasco Nov. 4. By the Mr. Prospector horse Hussonet, she swept the Chilean Triple Crown for fillies. She will be trained by Ron McAnally, while Lido Palace will head to Bobby Frankel's shedrow. Amerman traveled to Chile to watch Lido Palace win the St. Leger. "The papers there are just filled with stories about racing, and there are 30,000 or 40,000 people at the track," he commented. "The only bad news is that there is not much money to race for." Lido Palace and Printemps are expected to make their North American debuts during the 2001 spring-summer meet at Hollywood Park.

TWO MORE ON THEIR WAY TO TURKEY

Bijou d'Inde (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}--Pushkar {GB}, by Northfields) and Bin Ajwaad (Ire) (Rainbow Quest--Salidar {Ire}, by Sallust {Ire}) will join West by West, Fantastic Fellow and Marlin in their relocation to the Turkish National Stud in Izmit, Turkey. Seven-year-old Bijou d'Inde, the 1996 G1 St James Palace S. victor, earned a total of \$437,451 in a career which saw him finish second in the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. and third in the G1 2000 Guineas. His first-crop progeny were yearlings of 2000. Multiple Group winner Bin Ajwaad retired with a lifetime record of 5-5-2 from 18 efforts, amassing \$277,080 in his four years of racing. He finished second in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French 2000 Guineas) and third in the G1 2000 Guineas. The second-crop stallion is the sire of Australian Group winner Go Bint (NZ).


☆ PREVIEW ☆

Saturday, Hollywood Park

BAYAKOA H.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

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REMINDER:

Due to the Christmas holiday, the TDN office will be closed Sunday, December 24 and Monday, December 25. **There will be no newsletter for Monday, December 25 or Tuesday, December 26.** All news and results from Dec. 24 and 25 will appear in the Wednesday, December 27 issue. *Have a wonderful holiday season!*

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☆ NEW YORK ☆

Open House at McMahon:

Anne and Joe McMahon's McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds will host an open house stallion show at the Saratoga Springs, New York farm Saturday, Dec. 30 at 11 a.m. The farm's eight stallions will be paraded for visitors. McMahon stands Always Fair, Chequer, Let Goodtimes Roll, Malibu Wesley, Millions, Personal Flag, Regal Classic and Stacked Pack.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$54,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, ft. SLASH COTTAGE (m, 6, Bowler's Wharf--Easy Landing, by First Landing) ended a streak of claiming races by winning for a \$50,000 tag at Belmont Oct. 19. Next time out the gray mare scored again, taking an Aqueduct allowance event Nov. 3, but came back Nov. 26 and could only muster up a performance good enough for fourth over the slop. Sent off as the favorite for the fifth consecutive time, the even-money veteran settled at the back of the six-horse field and didn't make her move until the stretch. There she rallied to the fore just in time to grab a 1/2-length victory from Valarone (Navarone). Lifetime Record: 29-11-5-6, \$246,143. O-Goldfarb Sanford & Team Julep Stables. B-Glenspring Farm (VA). T-Richard E Dutrow Jr.

9th-AQU, \$44,000, Alw, 2yo, a1m70yd, 1:41 1/5, ft. VOODOO (c, 2, Petionville--Slide Show {MSW & MGSP, \$347,917}, by Slewacide) took his bow by 3/4-lengths at Belmont Oct. 22 and then ran third behind Songandaprayer in the Nov. 26 Huntington S. at this track in a dense fog. Sent off as the bettors' 2-5 choice in his first route try, the chestnut tracked the frontrunners from the gate, took command after a half and galloped away to win by nine lengths. Lifetime Record: SP, 3-2-0-1, \$60,328. O-Susan & John Moore. B-Everest Stables Inc (KY). T-James A Jerkens.

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5th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. STATELINESS (f, 3, Silver Deputy--Meadow Victory, by Ogygian) just missed a score in the Mar. 26 Wide Country S. at Laurel, finishing third by a length. The chestnut filly was shelved following a sixth in the May 17 Hill Top S. at Pimlico. Here she came out fresh as the 9-2 second favorite and earned herself a one-length score. She took command two furlongs out, opened a length advantage on her rivals and kept it that way for a win over Decadent Designer (Well Decorated). Lifetime Record: SP, 13-2-2-3, \$74,245. O-Robert E Masterson. B-Liberation Farm & Pioneer Ventures (KY). T-Alan E Goldberg.

6th-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, 2yo, 1 1/8m, 1:52, ft. IT'S SO SIMPLE (c, 2, Smart Strike--Kaylem Ho {MSW, \$140,384}, by Salem), a \$40,000 FTFEB two-year-old, was unsuccessful in his bow where he ran fifth at this track Oct. 29. Trying an Aqueduct field again in his next effort, he finished third Nov. 25, but he was able to get up for a narrow success in this outing. Sent to the post at 9-2 odds, the bay raced in behind the leaders for the opening three-quarters, rallied to the lead on the far turn and defeated My Two Sons (Sunny's Halo) by a nose. The half to Sound Wisdom (Pirate's Bounty), SW, \$145,675; and Private Persuasion (Pirate's Bounty), GISW, \$502,046, is the 11th winner for his freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$30,940. O-John H Manganaro Jr. B-JMJ Stables Corp (KY). T-Nicholas P Zito.

☆ EAST ☆

Yesterday's Results:

9th-CRC, \$24,000, Alw, 2yo, f, 5f, 1:00 1/5, ft. WEST OF THE STARS (f, 2, Way West {Fr}--Star of Bali, by Star de Naskra) won her career opener by four lengths when in for a \$50,000 tag at Monmouth Aug. 11. Next time out, the Florida-bred filly tried her hand in Turfway allowance company and finished third Sept. 20. Here the Florida-bred took command from the get-go, held off challenges at halfway and steadily drew clear of the pack to win by 2 1/2 lengths as the 2-1 second choice. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$27,800. O-Runnin Horse Farm Inc. B-Triple S Farm, Inc (FL). T-Norman R Pointer.

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State of the 'Union':

Diamond A Stable's **Dixie Union** (Dixieland Band) will return from an extended layoff in Tuesday's GI Malibu S., Santa Anita's opening day feature. Winner of the GI Haskell Invitational H., the three-year-old has not raced since finishing fourth in the GI Travers at Saratoga Aug. 26. "He tore a shoe off [in the Travers] and it pulled some of the wall away," said trainer Richard Mandella. "We needed to take time to grow the foot out so we could nail a shoe on it. We did that, it's in good shape now and we've pointed at the Malibu all along." The dark bay colt has been breezing since early November. "He just had his last work going into the race," Mandella said yesterday. "We got him in :47 and four. He looks great." Dixie Union could face **Caller One** (Phone Trick), the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint fourth, and **David Copperfield** (Halo) in the seven-furlong contest.

'Happy' Hoping for More:

Turf star **Happyanunoit (NZ)** (Yachtie {Aus}) continue racing in 2001, according to owner John Amerman. "We agonized over the decision," Amerman said. "She's lightly raced and healthy now. She was slowed by an ankle problem earlier in the fall. We had her booked to a super stallion and decided there would be another year for that." Winner of the GI Beverly Hills H. in July, the dark bay mare had finished third in her last two starts, including a 1 1/4-length loss in the GI Matriarch at Hollywood Park Nov. 26.

☆ WEST ☆

Baze Gets 400 Again:

Jockey Russell Baze rode his 400th winner of the year when Run a Copy won the fourth race at Golden Gate Fields yesterday. Baze has now reached the 400 plateau in eight of the last nine years. His seven-year streak was snapped in 1999, when he missed five weeks of riding due to a compressed vertebra and a hairline fracture in his back, but still managed to boot home 373 winners. "It feels really good, like it has nearly every here," Baze remarked. "I really wish this could have been nine in a row, but things happen."

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☆ MIDWEST ☆

Turfway, Hawthorne Cancel Again:

Inclement weather continued to plague racetracks in the nation's heartland. Adverse weather conditions in Chicago forced Hawthorne to cancel its live card yesterday. Temperatures reaching 30° below zero with the wind chill and more snow caused Turfway Park to cancel live racing last night. This was the sixth time this winter that the track had to close. Both tracks are scheduled to resume live racing today, weather permitting.

Yesterday's Results:

9th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:13, sy.
BABYEXPECTATIONS (f, 2, Valid Appeal--Mepache {SW, \$173,470}, by Iron Constitution) aired by 7 1/2 lengths when treated with Lasix for the first time over this surface Nov. 23. Content to sit off the pace early, the 5-1 shot launched a three-wide bid turning for home and kicked clear by four lengths. The dark bay is a full sister to Miss Valid Pache, SW, \$166,023; Valid Expectations, MGSW, \$596,092; Little Sister, GSW, \$720,568; and Littleexpectations, MSW & GSP, \$132,873; and is a half to Copelan's Pache (Copelan), SP, \$193,507. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$40,640. O-Ackerley Brothers Farm. B-Mockingbird Farm Inc (FL). T-Steven M Asmussen.

☆ INDUSTRY INFO ☆

Breeders' Cup Gala Raises \$140,000:

The Breeders' Cup Charity Gala, held on the eve of the Breeders' Cup in Louisville, Kentucky, raised approximately \$140,000 for its three beneficiaries: the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation, the Muhammad Ali Center and NTRA Charities. The silent auction was topped by a \$10,000 bid for a VIP package for four to the 2001 Breeders' Cup at Belmont Park.

 **FRESHMAN FOCUS**

First-crop progeny to watch: Friday, Dec. 22
BONUS MONEY (GB) (Chief's Crown)
 3rd-HOL, \$37,000, Msw, (S), 7f - The Heebster

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Southern Crown (Aus), c, 4, **Chief's Crown--Demetia (Aus)**, by Bletchingly (Aus). Sandown (Melbourne), 12-20, Vioncello H., 3yo/up, 1m 4f 105ydsT, \$8,373 to winner. B-Dr D & Mrs E Byrne; T-Pat Hyland.

Jim's Dandy (NZ), g, 4, **Dance Floor--Dominion Day (NZ)**, by Sir Tristram (Ire). Moe (Victoria), 12-18, Puntersclub.com H., 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, \$3,045 to winner. B-Trelawney Stud Ltd; T-Mick Cerchi.

Compelling (Aus), g, 4, **Personal Hope--Forever Best (Aus)**, by Best Western (Aus). Cessnock (New South Wales), 12-19, Kalingo Maiden, 3yo/up, 5f 165ydsT, \$2,167 to winner. B-Mr G Harvey; T-Danny Bowen.

Classic Dream (Aus), f, 4, **Regal Classic--She's A Pipe Dream (Aus)** (SW & GSP-Aus), by Jackson Square (Aus). Victoria Park (Adelaide), 12-20, Apollo Lighting H., 4yo/up, 6 1/2fT, \$2,822 to winner. B-Mr R Toole; T-B Mueller.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN BRITAIN

Night Sight, g, 3, **Eagle Eyed--El Hamo**, by Search For Gold. Southwell, 12-21, Seasons Greetings Maiden S., 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), \$4,141 to winner. O-David Fravigar; B-Costello, Davis, Dolan & Ryan; T-Michael Chapman. *1/2 to Exquisite Mistress (Nasty and Bold), MSW & GSP, \$118,642; A Number One (Star Choice), MSP-US, \$175,697. **\$228,173 yrl '98 GOOC1.

BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-AQU, \$45,000, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. **SMOOTH TALC** (c, 3, **Double Negative--Video Talc** {MSP, \$159,854}, by Talc) Lifetime Record: 11-3-0-2, \$91,960. O-Double R Stable, Robert Kaufman & James H Iselin. B-James H Iselin (NY). T-Richard Stoklosa. *Full to Double Screen, GSW, \$550,331.

5th-HOL, \$43,000, (S), Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35, fm. **ADMINNIESTRATOR** (c, 3, **Incinderator--Admiral Minnie**, by *Golden Eagle II) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-0, \$132,885. O-Nakkashian, Plan B Stables & Roberts. B-Fred M Sahadi (CA). T-Barry Abrams. *1/2 to Almost Golden (Golden Act), MSP, \$241,856.

3rd-GGX, \$31,120, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:09 3/5, ft. **LAZER STORM** (f, 2, **Storm Boot--Tudor Hot Line**, by *Tudor Grey) Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-2-0, \$72,382. O-T Stable. B-Jean Hash & Kinney Hounshell (KY). T-Patrick Gallagher.

7th-FGX, \$31,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 3/5, sy. **JOE K'S KATHY** (f, 4, **Mr. J. C.'s Mons--Healthywealthywise** {SP}, by Washington County) Lifetime Record: 13-4-4-1, \$67,580. O-Glen Warren & Andrew Leggio Jr. B-Karl Lester Joe (LA). T-Andrew Leggio Jr.

7th-LRL, \$28,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44 4/5, ft. **KNOWS NO BOUNDARY** (c, 3, **Boundary--Glamour Bar**, by Risen Star) Lifetime Record: 18-3-1-3, \$62,370. O-Timothy D Little. B-Herbard Moelis (KY). T-Linda L Albert.

8th-LRL, \$28,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft. **B G'S QUEENMAMBO** (f, 3, **Kingmambo--Venetian Red**, by Blushing Groom {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$35,220. O-Raymond Murphy Sr. B-Glencrest Farm LLC (KY). T-Thomas J Murphy II.

7th-CRC, \$22,500, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42, fm. **MYSTIC ROAD** (c, 3, **Cahill Road--Mystic Obsession** {MSW, \$165,362}, by Jeblar) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-2, \$70,545. O-Anita R Hicken-Butker. B-Anita Hicken (FL). T-J David Braddy.

3rd-CRC, \$19,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :59 2/5, ft. **FRENCH MADAM** (f, 3, **Rahy--Mme. Mitterand**, by Mr. Prospector) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$54,460. O/B-Irving & Marjorie Cowan (KY). T-Emanuel Tortora.

9th-TPX, \$18,165, 12-20, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. **ROCK OF GOLD** (c, 3, **Trick Me--Trumanita**, by Capote) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$34,580. O/B-Dullea Farms (KY). T-Larry Demeritte. *1/2 to Nijinsky's Passion (Nijinsky's Table), GSW & GISP, \$355,326.

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MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dixie Bust, f, 2, **Dixieland Band--Boom and Bust** (SW, \$107,522), by Mr. Prospector. FGX, 12-21, (C), 6f, 1:14. B-Edward P Evans (Ky). *Full to Land Boom, SW, \$101,918.

Royal Power, f, 2, **Kissin Kris--Vice Regency**, by Vice Regent. CRC, 12-21, (C), 1m, 1:43 1/5. B-August Moon Farm (Fl). *\$60,000 yrl '99 OBSAUG; \$43,000 2yo 2000 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Sovereign Storm (Bates Motel), MSP, \$171,262.

Meadow Tern, f, 2, **Meadowlake--L'Esquimau**, by Arctic Tern. AQU, 12-21, (C), a1m70yd, 1:45 3/5. B-Frances A H Leidy (Ky).

It's So Simple, c, 2, **Smart Strike--Kaylem Ho** (MSW, \$140,384), by Salem. AQU, 12-21, 1 1/8m, 1:52. B-JMJ Stables Corp (Ky). *\$40,000 2yo 2000 FTFFEB. **1/2 to Sound Wisdom (Pirate's Bounty), SW, \$145,675; Private Persuasion (Pirate's Bounty), GISW, \$502,046. ***11th winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector).

Rusty Spur, c, 2, **West By West--Goodbye Heart**, by Tsunami Slew. HOL, 12-20, 5 1/2fT, 1:03. B-Gentry Brothers (Ky). *\$120,000 yrl '99 KESEP. **1/2 to Commitisize (Explodent), MGSW, \$777,577; Perfect Six (Saratoga Six), MSW & GISP, \$278,255; Explode n' Win (Time to Explode), SP, \$214,290.

Big Shot, c, 2, **What a Spell--Evelyn's Baby**, by Nostalgia. HOL, 12-21, (S), (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5. B-Robert Englekirk, Jim Ford, Inc, Craig A Lewis & Mira Loma TB Farm Llc (Ca). *Full to Cris the Swimmer, SW, \$363,702.

Johnnies Wagon, g, 2, **Wheaton--Beaty Sark**, by Deputy Minister. FGX, 12-21, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Gilbert G Campbell (Fl). *1/2 to Shananie's Beat (Shananie), MSW, \$242,691.

Run a Copy, f, 3, **Basket Weave--Soft Copy** (MSW & MGSP, \$313,153), by Staff Writer. GGX, 12-21, 6f, 1:09 4/5. B-John M Roche (Wa).

Dancinginthedawn, f, 3, **Gate Dancer--View the Sunrise**, by Rise Jim. LRL, 12-21, 1 1/4m, 2:09 4/5. B-Patricia L Duffy (Md).

Rapport, f, 3, **Gulch--Lady D'Accord** (MGSW & MGISP, \$590,138), by D'Accord. AQU, 12-21, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:48 4/5. B-John Hettinger (NY). *\$180,000 yrl '98 FTSAUG.

+ **Cut the Deal**, f, 4, **Cutlass Reality--Count the Votes**, by Moscow Ballet. HOL, 12-21, (C), 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Harris Farms Inc & Norma Fostxer Maddy (Ca). *Won by nine lengths.

Buzz Off Buster, h, 5, **Hay Halo--Chimo Girl**, by Double Sonic. MNR, 12-19, 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Andrea Lematta (Fl).

2000 2YO GRADED RESULTS

CHAMPAGNE-GI, 10-14, Belmont Park, 1 1/16m, 1:41.45
A P VALENTINE (A.P. Indy)

COWDIN-GIII, 10-15, Belmont Park, 6 1/2f, 1:15.63
FISTFITE (Two Punch)

PILGRIM-GIII, 10-22, Belmont, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.02
VOLPONI (Cryptoclearance)

LAUREL FUTURITY-GIII, 11-4, Laurel, 1 1/8m, 1:51.93
BUCKLE DOWN BEN (Devil His Due)

IROQUOIS-GIII, 11-4, Churchill, 1m, 1:35.24
MEETYOUATHEBRIG (Out of Place)

BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE-GI, 11-4, Churchill, 1 1/16m, 1:42.05
MACHO UNO (Holy Bull)

NASHUA-GIII, 11-5, Aqueduct, 1m, 1:36.74
OMMADON (Grindstone)

CALIFORNIA JUVENILE-GIII, 11-13, Bay Meadows, 1m, 1:36.36
ZILLAH THE HUN (Hawk Attack)

HOLLYWOOD PREVUE-GIII, 11-20, Hollywood Park, 7f, 1:23.01
PROUD TOWER (Proud Irish)

KENTUCKY JOCKEY CLUB-GII, 11-27, 1 1/16m, 1:47.18
DOLLAR BILL (Peaks and Valleys)

GENEROUS-GIII, 11-27, Hollywood Park, 1mT, 1:34.76
STARTAC (Theatrical {Ire})

REMSEN-GII, 11-27, Aqueduct, 1 1/8m, 1:51.92
WINDSOR CASTLE (Lord Carson)

WHAT A PLEASURE-GIII, 12-9, Calder, 1 1/16m, 1:48.33
RADICAL RILEY (Wheaton)

HOLLYWOOD FUTURITY-GI, 12-16, Hollywood Park, 1 1/16m, 1:42.21
POINT GIVEN (Thunder Gulch)

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Q & A
... with the NTRA

Last Friday, important legislation was passed in Washington that will positively impact Thoroughbred racing for years to come. A key player in this legislation is Greg Avioli, NTRA deputy commissioner and chief operating officer. This week, Greg answered a few of the many questions he has been asked over the last five days:

Q: What exactly happened last week? Why is it significant?

GA: Congress passed a package of appropriations bills last Friday that included a clarification to the Interstate Horseracing Act (IHA). President Clinton is expected to sign them into law by today. The amendment to IHA confirms that interstate simulcasting, commingling of pools and account wagering are, indeed, permitted under the IHA in all states that authorize these activities. Previously, the U.S. Department of Justice had argued that the IHA did not authorize interstate commingling of wagering pools or account wagering and therefore those activities were in violation of the Federal Wire Act--an opinion that could have been devastating to our industry as we know it. With respect to account wagering, the IHA amendment clarifies the legality of interstate pari-mutuel wagering on horseracing by telephone and other electronic media. The net result is an outstanding piece of legislation for all involved in the Thoroughbred industry.

Q: Would "other electronic media" include the Internet?

GA: Yes, the Internet would be included provided that we are talking about wagering conducted over closed-loop, subscriber-based systems such as the one NTRA Services currently operates in Oregon. So not only does this legislation help us preserve the status quo, it helps the industry grow the fertile off-track wagering market which, according to the latest estimates, now accounts for some 85 percent of all monies wagered.

Q: So do we not have to worry about the Department of Justice anymore?

GA: We must always remain vigilant to opinions offered in the future by the Justice Department and others in Washington. However, this new clarification directly addresses the Justice Department's specific legal concern that the IHA, passed in 1978, didn't authorize interstate simulcasting and account wagering.

Q: So as a result of this legislation, is horseracing the only form of gaming granted federal authorization to conduct interstate account wagering?

GA: Yes, provided that this type of wagering is legal in the states involved.

Q: How did the industry and the NTRA bring this about?

GA: First of all, it took a lot of money and a real team effort. Thanks to the racehorse owners' and breeders' support through the 1/4-percent sales program, we were able to devote over \$600,000 to the cause this year. Working with the American Horse Council and our Washington lobbyists, the NTRA embarked on an intensive campaign to explain to Congressmen and their staffs what makes horseracing different than other businesses--namely, that we are a \$34 billion agribusiness that supports 472,000 full-time jobs. We then made clear to them that the industry's livelihood was being placed in jeopardy by the Justice Department's legal position. This effort was spearheaded in Congress by the Kentucky delegation: Senators McConnell and Bunning, and Representatives Rogers, Northup, Fletcher, Lucas, Lewis and Whitfield. Governor Patton of Kentucky also was critically important in advocating our cause to the White House and Executive Branch. Given all this hard work and support on many different fronts, we were able to convince Congress to pass this clarification--a piece of legislation that will help ensure our industry's growth for years to come.

If you have a question you'd like answered, e-mail it to Ben Haggin, the NTRA's director of membership development, at bhaggin@ntra.com.

LEADING NORTH AMERICAN SIRES OF 2000 UNRESTRICTED FIRST-TIME STAKES WINNERS (through Dec. 18)

<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Loc</u>	<u>SWs</u>
Gone West (Mr. Prospector)	Ky	10
Broad Brush (Ack Ack)	Ky	8
Rahy (Blushing Groom {Fr})	Ky	8
Theatrical (Ire) (Nureyev)	Ky	8
Diesis (GB) (Sharpen Up {GB})	Ky	7
Gilded Time (Damascus)	Ky	7
Gulch (Mr. Prospector)	Ky	7
Lord At War (Arg) (General)	dead	7
Olympio (Naskra)	Ca	7

(Based on winners of unrestricted stakes with purses of \$25,000 or more in North America and winners of European stakes that qualify for "black-type" by North American catalogue standards and graded SWs in Japan.) Compiled by Werk Thoroughbred Consultants Inc., specialists in assisting breeders in their stallion selection and buyers in their auction purchases. For more information call (510) 490-1111.

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★ EUROPEAN EDITION ★

Friday, December 22, 2000

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

1.00 Southwell, Best Wishes To All Our Racegoers Maiden S. (Class D), £3,920, 2yo, 6f (AWT), 1:15.37, stn.

CITY PLAYER (GB) (c, 2, Komaite {USA}--Blink Naskra {USA}, by Naskra {USA}), sent off the 2-1 joint favourite, broke smartly and quickly had command in the early stages from the front. Joe Fanning waited until the straight to ask his mount to quicken, and he responded well to go away from the chasing group. Eased before the line, he was nevertheless a comfortable three-and-a-half length winner. The 26,00gns TAOCT yearling is a half brother to Fernandazo (USA) (Ferdinand {USA}), SW-US, \$132,129. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, £3,695. O-Ne'er Do Wells II; B-P D and Mrs Player; T-Sir Mark Prescott; J-Joe Fanning.

NINEACRES FAILS IN RECORD BID

The bid of connections of **Nineacres (GB)** (Sayf El Arab {USA}) to make history by winning 10 handicaps in a season looks over as the nine-year-old gelding failed to make an impression at Southwell yesterday. He weakened to finish 10th of 14 in the Tote Credit Club H. behind **Air Mail (GB)** (Night Shift {USA}), in what was his last engagement of the year. The only hope of him completing the task is if the BHB put on the stand-by flat fixtures over the Christmas period.

GREEVES DEFENDS SHOWCASE CONCEPT

Although the Tote will no longer top up prizemoney for certain daily 'Showcase' handicaps that fall below an acceptable standard, the British Horseracing Board will continue to support the scheme. The races are the highlights of an otherwise ordinary day's racing, and are boosted by early morning pricing. Lack of sufficient quality and the necessity for financial boosting, which will not be given, will see some fixtures without showcase races next month. BHB Racing Director Paul Greeves said yesterday, "The Showcase initiative and concept is alive and kicking. Obviously it has suffered a little bout of ill-health, you might say, because there have been some races, and particularly outside the turf Flat season, that haven't been as competitive a Showcase handicap as we, the racecourses or the Tote would have liked. It's just a winter issue and therefore reports of the death of Showcase races are premature."

SCOTTISH RACING UPS PROFILE

In a bid to increase public awareness of the merits of racing in Scotland, Lorna Bromley-Martin has been appointed Scottish Racing's first marketing manager. Her appointment, which begins Feb. 1, is the design of Scottish Racing, formed in May, comprising the country's five tracks--Ayr, Hamilton Park, Kelso, Musselburgh and Perth. Bromley-Martin, currently manager of marketing and hospitality at Plumpton racecourse, said, "I'm thrilled to be moving back to Scotland, where I was a regular racegoer, and to be working with the five Scottish racecourses."

RENTON TO ARENA

Ian Renton, currently clerk of the course at Aintree, Salisbury and Wincanton, will head Arena Leisure's racecourse operations division as the new director on a part-time basis, with the position becoming permanent from April next year.

★ UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ★

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS:

Royal Line (GB), c, 4, **Saint Estephe (Fr)**--Double Line (Fr), by What a Guest (USA). Abu Dhabi, 12-20, hcp., 2400m, 2:28.64. B-Carrera TB & Eric Puerari.

*SW-Eng. **66,270gns yrl '97 AFAUG.

Brigand (Ire), g, 6, **Common Grounds (GB)**--Strike It Rich (Fr), by Rheingold (USA). Abu Dhabi, 12-20, hcp., 8f, 1:36.47. B-Newtownbarry House Stud. *1/2 to Lady Bentley (GB) (Bellypha {Ire}), G1SW-Ity; Full to Taras Emperor (Ire), SW-Eng. **33,663gns yrl '95 GOOC1.

APPRENTICE JOCKS OFF TO GOOD START

Dubai trainer Paddy Rudkin is renowned for accommodating apprentices during the English and Irish off season and he appears to again be hosting a prospective top-line jockey in the shape of Timmy Houlihan, who secured his first win in the Emirates at Abu Dhabi last Wednesday night. Houlihan is spending his first winter in the Emirates and **Brigand (Ire)** (Common Grounds {GB}) was his sixth ride of the season and his first winner. Houlihan proved himself one of the leading apprentices in Ireland last season, riding 20 winners while under the care of Liam Brown. His victory was followed by that of another leading apprentice, Keith Dalgleish. Dalgleish guided **Royal Line (GB)** (Saint Estephe {Fr}) to an impressive victory in the other Thoroughbred event on the programme.

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WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRE:

- Matrix (Aus), c, 2, Mukaddamah (USA)**--Watercolours (NZ), by Nassipour (USA). Cessnock (New South Wales), 12-19, Bellbird Maiden, 2yo, 4 1/2fT, A\$3,700 to winner. B-Pine Lodge Thoroughbreds; T-Garry Frazer.
- Whirligig (Aus), f, 3, Brief Truce (USA)**--Social Whirl (Aus), by Mighty Kingdom (Aus). Kempsey (New South Wales), 12-18, Volunteer Rescue Services H., 3yo/up, 6f 55ydsT, A\$3,500 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-Neil Godbolt.
- Secret Haze (Aus), f, 3, Danehill (USA)**--Cajun Magic (Aus), by Twig Moss (Fr). Sandown (Melbourne), 12-20, Canonise H., 3yo, 7fT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Swettenham Stud; T-Peter Hayes. *1/2 to Voodoo Beat (NZ) (Sir Tristram {Ire}), GSW-Aus.
- Dolphin Dance (Aus), f, 3, Dolphin Street (Fr)**--Framed (Aus), by Tate Gallery (USA). Sandown (Melbourne), 12-20, What's The Verdict H., 3yo, f, 6fT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Mr G M McLeod; T-Jim Moloney.
- Cocus (Aus), g, 3, Night Shift (USA)**--Palm Tree (NZ), by Pompeii Court (USA). Victoria Park (Adelaide), 12-20, Bar Chambers Maiden, 3yo/up, 7f 55ydsT, A\$4,120 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-John Hawkes.
- Danribot (Aus), g, 4, Danzero (Aus)**--Sparkling (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Crystal Palace (Fr). Cessnock (New South Wales), 12-19, Abermain No. 1 H., 3yo/up, 7f 165ydsT, A\$3,700 to winner. B-Mr & Mrs B F Rose; T-Rob Law.
- Missile Sam (Aus), g, 4, Magic Ring (Ire)**--Sharpatan (USA) (MSP-US), by Diesis (GB). Cessnock (New South Wales), 12-19, Richmond Main H., 3yo/up, 5f 165ydsT, A\$3,700 to winner. B-Tristan Antico Thoroughbreds; T-Bob Law. *1/2 to Isolda (NZ) (Sir Tristram {Ire}), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Aus, G1SW-Aus.
- Lotus Bird (Aus), f, 4, Prince Of Birds (USA)**--Lynden Gold (Aus), by Gold Carat (USA). Moe (Victoria), 12-19, Racers Maiden, 4yo/up, 6fT, A\$5,200 to winner. B-Lynden Park Stud; T-Doug Harrison.
- Ucello Mio (Aus), g, 5, Bluebird (USA)**--Proxima (NZ), by Racing Is Fun (USA). Albury (New South Wales), 12-18, Australian Hotels Association H., 3yo/up, 5f 200ydsT, A\$3,250 to winner. B-Mr D Kirk; T-K Davison.
- Stamina (Aus), g, 5, Night Shift (USA)**--Hurry Dear (Aus), by Kenmare (Fr). Albury (New South Wales), 12-18, Carlton Draught H., 3yo/up, 7fT, A\$3,250 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-Peter Bloomfield.

★ SWEDEN ★

RACING RETURNS TO GOTHENBERG

The year 2002 will see racing at Gothenberg once again, as a new turf racecourse is to be built at a cost of around £6.5 million. The move, made possible by financial support from the ATG (Swedish Tote), will see six weekend race days hosted in its inaugural year, with more expected later. The local racecourse, Aby, held its last meeting in 1976.

★ ITALY ★

Yesterday's Results:

- 3.30 Pisa, Premio Apelle (Cond.)**, L26,775,000, 12-20, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.50, gd.
TITA BRAVO (ITY) (f, 2, Be My Chief {USA})--Meissarah {USA}, by Silver Hawk {USA}) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, L38,420,000. O-Scuderia Siba; B-Azienda Agricola Al Velino S R L; T-A Botti; J-P Agus.
- 4.20 Naples, Premio Assuncion (Cond.)**, L15,300,000, 12-21, 3yo/up, 5fT, :58.70, sf.
CICLONE (USA) (c, 4, Geiger Counter {USA})--Dance Mania {USA}, by Danzig {USA}) Lifetime Record: 30 starts, 5 wins, 15 places, L164,730,000. O-Scuderia Andy Capp; B-BBA Italia; T-G Colleo; J-G Bietolini.

★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★

- Magic Douglas (GB)**, c, 2, Bin Ajwaad (Ire)--Akura (Ire), by Vision (USA). Naples, Italy, 12-21, Premio Caracas (Mdn), 2yo, 1m 110ydsT, L12,750,000 to winner. B-Woodditton Stud Ltd. *1/2 to Tolgahan (GB) (Damister {USA}), SP-Tur. **5,000gns yrl '99 TAOCT.
- Electric Power (Ger)**, c, 2, Dashing Blade (GB)--Eurydike (Ger) (SP-Ger), by Anfield (Ire). Pisa, Italy, 12-20, Premio lesolo (Mdn), 2yo, 7 1/2fT, L10,625,000 to winner. B-A Detter. *13,408gns yrl '99 BBAGS.
- City Player (GB)**, c, 2, Komaite (USA)--Blink Naskra (USA), by Naskra (USA). Southwell, England, Best Wishes To All Our Racegoers Maiden S. (Class D), 2yo, 6f (AWT), £2,744 to winner. B-P D and Mrs Player. *1/2 to Fernandazo (USA) (Ferdinand {USA}), SW-US, \$132,129. **26,000gns yrl '99 TAOCT.
- Night Sight (USA)**, g, 3, Eagle Eyed (USA)--El Hamo (USA), by Search For Gold (USA). Southwell, England, Seasons Greetings Maiden S. (Class D), 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), £2,751 to winner. B-Costello, Davis, Dolan & Ryan. *1/2 to Exquisite Mistress (USA) (Nasty and Bold {USA}), MSW & GSP-US, \$118,642; A Number One (USA) (Star Choice {USA}), MSP-US, \$175,697. *139,130gns yrl '98 GOOC1.