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STRONACH HOPEFUL OF PROMOTING DIALOGUE AT FORUM Frank Stronach, who will sponsor an open forum at Gulfstream Park January 14 to discuss the role of a national organization in racing, said he was hopeful that the discussions would stimulate meaningful change in the industry. While an agenda for the forum has not been published, Stronach said he anticipated making some opening remarks, followed by an open format. "Racing is a wonderful sport," he anticipated saying, "but we've got to look to the future, learn from our failures, offer more entertainment value. Competition is good. Different ideas are good. And a national organization would be a benefit to the industry, providing it is defined what they do." While Stronach said he had had some indication that there would be an NTRA presence, officials from the organization were uncertain whether they would attend. "We have had some discussions with Magna and have not concluded exactly what our role should be on January 14," said NTRA Director of Communications Chip Tuttle. "We have asked for an agenda and are told there is not one." Bruce Garland, Senior Executive Vice President for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, which operates the Meadowlands and Monmouth Park, two of the 22 tracks which announced their intention to withdraw from the NTRA, said he believed representatives from all 22 breakaway tracks would be present at the forum. "I think a lot of good could come out of it," said Garland. "In our letter to the NTRA, we encouraged them to attend. I think it is going to be a very convenient and focused vehicle to hopefully discuss and resolve issues." Concluded Stronach, "I would like to participate in a national organization. But let the democratically elected directors map out the business plan and let the management execute it."

TEN SET FOR BAYAKOA

A field of 10 fillies and mares will go postward in today's GII Bayakoa H., the final graded stakes of Hollywood Park's fall meeting. Farfellow Farm's **Critikola (Arg)** (Tough Critic) will be making her Northern Hemisphere debut following a successful Argentine campaign, which included a victory in the G3 Clasico Ines Victorica Roca Apr. 29 at Hipodromo Argentino de Palermo in her last outing. Three-year-old **Saudi Poetry** (Storm Cat) has run well in two previous starts at Hollywood, finishing second in the GII Princess S. in June and third in the GII Hollywood Oaks in July. The chestnut has not raced since tiring to finish fifth in the GII Lady's Secret H. at Santa Anita Oct. 9. **Lazy Slusan** (Slewvescent) has beaten **Feverish** (Pirate's Bounty) in two of her last three starts, including a 1 1/2-length tally in the Cat's Cradle for Cal-breds Nov. 23.

Today, Hollywood Park, post time: 4:07 p.m.

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

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Squall Linda	Summer Squall	Cho	15-1
2	Gourmet Girl	Cee's Tizzy	Perdomo	9-2
3	Speaking of Time	Gilded Time	Abrams	8-1
4	Saudi Poetry	Storm Cat	Baffert	6-1
5	Lazy Slusan	Slewvescent	Dolan	5-1
6	Critikola (Arg)	Tough Critic	Spawr	6-1
7	Kentucky Storm	Dynaformer	Hollendorfer	6-1
8	Magic Code	Lost Code	Forster	20-1
9	Feverish	Pirate's Bounty	Hendricks	3-1
10	Cookin Vickie	Far Out East	Cenicola	30-1

Today, Aqueduct, post time: 3:44 p.m. EST

GRAVESEND H.-GIII, \$75,000, 3yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Brutally Frank	Groovy	Friedman	120
2	Exciting Story	Diablo	Casse	117
3	Mister Tricky (GB)	Magic Ring (Ire)	Mattarelliano	113
4	Oro de Mexico	Well Decorated	Serpe	115
5a	Jab	Two Punch	Terranova	114
6	Say Florida Sandy	Personal Flag	Serey	116
7	Lake Pontchartrain	Salt Lake	Dutrow	116
8	Kashatreya	Daring Groom	Hertler	118
9	Liberty Gold	Crafty Prospector	Arnold	115
10	Unreal Madness	Unreal Zeal	Serey	114
11	Appealing Danger	Appealing Guy	Kelly	112
12	Balancethebudget	Rare Performer	Lake	115
13a	Riot	Seven Zero	Terranova	112



REMINDER:

Due to the Christmas holiday, the TDN office will be closed Sunday, Dec. 24 and Monday, Dec. 25.

There will be no newsletter for Monday, Dec. 25 or Tuesday, Dec. 26. All news and results from Dec. 24 and 25 will appear in the Wednesday, Dec. 27 issue.
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MAGNA BUYS RACING NETWORK INTEREST

Frank Stronach's Magna Entertainment Corp. has reached an agreement with Ladbroke Racing Corp. to purchase Call-A-Bet, Ladbroke's Pennsylvania-based account-wagering operation and an interest in The Racing Network. The deal also includes the Meadows harness track and four off-track betting facilities, all in Pennsylvania. The purchase price is \$53 million. Under the terms of the agreement, one-half of the purchase price is payable in cash, one-quarter in stocks and one-quarter is payable in an MEC promissory note maturing two years from the date of closing. Magna officials said the deal should be completed during the first quarter of 2001. "The acquisition of the Call-A-Bet account wagering system, together with Ladbroke's other Pennsylvania horse racing operations, is an important step in MEC's strategic plan of building the premier account-wagering business in the country," Stronach said. Magna currently owns seven Thoroughbred tracks in the United States.

WESTERN EXPRESSION RETIRED Western Expression (Gone West--Tricky Game, by Majestic Light) has been retired from racing and will stand the 2001 breeding season at Highcliff Farm in Delanson, New York. The four-year-old just missed catching Brutally Frank in a runner-up finish in this year's GI Carter H. He had three wins and was on the board in eight of 16 starts for earnings of \$140,114. He will stand for \$10,000, live foal.

☆ NEW YORK ☆

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$46,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:50 4/5, ft.

TAX AFFAIR (f, 3, Colonial Affair--Pech di Roma, by Seattle Slew), a 1/2 to Toosie (D'Accord), SW & GSP, has dramatically changed her form since transferring to the barn of Scott Lake. The dark bay decimated a Laurel allowance field by 12 lengths in her first start for Lake Nov. 17 and came back a week later to finish second in the GIII Anne Arundel over the same track. The 3-5 chalk stalked the pacesetter, seized command in the stretch and extended her advantage to 3 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: GSP, 17-3-3-4, \$108,040. O-Richard A Englander. B-Dr John Steiner & Gainesway Management Corp (KY). T-Scott A Lake.

☆ EAST ☆

New Jersey Mini-Meets Approved:

The New Jersey Racing Commission has approved abbreviated 2001 meetings for both Garden State Park and Atlantic City Racecourse. Garden State will race 15 days next year, from Apr. 13 through May 3, and Atlantic City will host 10 days of live racing, from May 4-15. Stabling will not be available during the meets at either track.

Yesterday's Results:

4th-PHA, \$17,000, Msw, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5, ft. + **CASTLE OF SAND** (c, 2, Montreal Red--Yamaguchi, by Exuberant) came out firing to become the seventh winner for his freshman sire (by D'Accord). Sent off at 9-2, the chestnut colt made all the running and crossed the line 2 1/2 lengths clear of Dry Ice (Housebuster). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,200. O-John J Wallace. B-M W & L W Sims & John Wallace (FL). T-Richard Vega.

☆ MIDWEST ☆

Runaway Groom Staying Home:

Vinery Kentucky confirmed yesterday that Runaway Groom (Blushing Groom {Fr}) will remain at the Lexington farm. An offer for the 21-year-old stallion had been made by a New York farm, but was unanimously declined by Vinery and the Runaway Groom syndicate, managed by Don Dizney. Sire of champion and leading second-crop sire Cherokee Run, Runaway Groom has sired 48 stakes winners to date, including GISW Down the Aisle in 2000. "He's going to be here forever," said Vinery's Jamie LaMonica. "He'd have been a good horse for New York, but we're excited to still have him here."

Sellers Injured:

Jockey Shane Sellers, injured during the post parade for Thursday's fifth race at Fair Grounds, will be sidelined at least two weeks. Sellers was thrown from first-time starter Hike (Devil's Bag) and then was kicked in the knee while attempting to hold onto the reins. Hike, a Claiborne Farm homebred was scratched from the race.

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Turfway Still Raceless:

Winter weather continues to wreak havoc on live racing at Turfway Park in Florence, Kentucky. Friday night, the track canceled racing for the seventh time in the last two weeks as arctic temperatures made conditions unsafe. Live racing is scheduled to resume Saturday with 12 races--two more than usual--to make up for some of the races lost to Mother Nature. Other tracks forced to cancel racing yesterday include Hawthorne, Mountaineer, Charles Town and Penn National.

Yesterday's Results:

9th-FGX, \$40,000, Alw, 3/up, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 1/5, gd. **FINAL ROW (GB) (c, 3, Indian Ridge--The Jotter {MSP-Eng}, by Night Shift)** ran second behind Brahms in the Oct. 14 Seattle Slew S. at Keeneland, but finished fourth as the favorite over this course and distance last time out Dec. 7. The 9-5 favorite settled off the pace early, angled out for the drive, loomed five wide with a furlong to run and got up late for a half-length tally. Lifetime Record: MSP, 17-5-6-2, \$144,012. O-Cobb M Elmore W Winston M & Hundley B. B-Mrs F G Allen (GB). T-Thomas Amoss.

7th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, 2yo, c/g, a8.5f, 1:48 3/5, gd. **DYNAMEAUX (c, 2, Dynaformer--Moving Picture, by Alysheba)** broke his maiden in a Keeneland turf allowance, but packed it in on the dirt in his next out, finishing 13th in the GIII Iroquois at Churchill Nov. 4. The bay colt endured a four-wide trip in his last, a Churchill turf allowance Nov. 16, and wound up fourth. Getting Lasix here, the 3-5 chalk split rivals turning for home, found a seam along the rail and got up by a neck over Dynamite Cat (Tabasco Cat). Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$57,492. O-George Wolff & Munn O'Neal. B-Domino Stud of Lexington Inc (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

☆ WEST ☆

Baze Reaches 400 Again:

Jockey Russell Baze nailed down the eighth 400-win year of his Hall of Fame career Thursday when he captured the fourth race at Golden Gate Fields aboard Run a Copy. No other jockey has won 400 races in a year more than three times. Baze recorded seven consecutive 400-win years from 1992 through 1998 before having the streak snapped last year when he finished with 373 victories after missing five weeks due to injury. "It feels real good, like it has nearly every year," said Baze. "I really wish this could have been nine in a row, but things happen."

☆ SO. CALIFORNIA ☆

Tiznow Works:

Breeders' Cup Classic champion Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy) breezed six furlongs Friday at Hollywood in 1:12.80 with jockey Chris McCarron in the irons. The three-year-old is expected to start next in the Jan. 13 GII San Fernando Breeders' Cup S. Trainer Jay Robbins was happy with his charge's work, but still concerned about a nagging foot injury. "He looked all right, but when Chris got off him, he said he didn't feel quite like himself," Robbins explained. "He's had a soft tissue injury to his left front foot. We'll have the vet look at it and appraise the situation."

Yesterday's Results:

DAYJUR H., \$75,750, HOL, 12-22, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:01 1/5, fm.
 1--**TEXAS GLITTER, 120, c, 4, Glitterman--Come On Texas (MSP), by Apalachee.** (\$70,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG). O-Swartz Dennis B & Ryan Michael J; B-Ronald Whiting (FL); T-Henry Moreno; J-A T Gryder; \$45,650. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 19-7-4-2, \$376,854.
 2--**Full Moon Madness, 123, g, 5, Half a Year--Soft Charm, by Secretariat.** O-Corey Family Trust. \$14,000.
 3--**Echo Eddie, 114, c, 3, Restless Con--Geri's Princess,** by Siyah Kalem. O-Milch David S & Rita. \$10,500. Margins: HD, 1HF, 4. Odds: 1.70, 1.30, 4.70.
 Texas Glitter narrowly won the Oct. 28 GIII Laurel Dash, but had his unblemished turf record marred in his fourth grass start when he was a game runner-up in the Nov. 24 GIII Hollywood Turf Express last time out. Previously trained by Todd Pletcher, the bay colt was making his first start for Henry Moreno as the second choice in this field of seven. Texas Glitter dueled down the backstretch, began pulling away entering the stretch and determinedly held off the late charge of favored Full Moon Madness for a narrow victory.

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AFTERNOON DEELITES (Private Terms)

7th-HOL, \$37,000, Msw, 7f - Maroon Creek

A. P JET (Fappiano)

1st-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 8.5f - Company Jet

CAILUET (Greinton {GB})

8th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, a1mT - Kate Regal

DARE AND GO (Alydar)

9th-TPX, \$40,000, Turfway Prevue S., 6 1/2f - Daring Pegasus

FALTAAT (Mr. Prospector)

9th-CRC, \$22,000, Msw, 6f - On to Richmond

FOREST WILDCAT (Storm Cat)

4th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, 6f - Big Boyd

FOXTRAIL (Heading Back Home)

3rd-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 6f - Tricky Fox

GOLDEN GEAR (Gulch)

6th-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 6f - Hannah's Baby

HENNESSY (Storm Cat)

3rd-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 6f - Thisbirdsforyou

HONOUR AND GLORY (Relaunch)

6th-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 6f - Little Rich

IDE (Forty Niner)

9th-TPX, \$40,000, Turfway Prevue S., 6 1/2f - Leatherwood

MAHOGANY HALL (Woodman)

3rd-PHA, \$17,000, Msw, 1m - Magnolia Hall

MIESQUE'S SON (Mr. Prospector)

3rd-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 6f - To Di For Again

MISTER JOLIE (Valid Appeal)

4th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, 6f - Rapid Ryan

MUHTAFAL (Mr. Prospector)

9th-TPX, \$40,000, Turfway Prevue S., 6 1/2f - X Country

MUTAKDDIM (Seeking the Gold)

9th-CRC, \$22,000, Msw, 6f - Triple Witching

PETIONVILLE (Seeking the Gold)

8th-GGX, \$50,000, Corte Madera S., 1m - Hall of Gold

ROAR (Forty Niner)

2nd-HOL, \$37,000, Msw, 5 1/2f - Wild Tickle

SEA SALUTE (Danzig)

1st-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 8.5f - Davy Jones

SIGNAL TAP (Fappiano)

1st-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 8.5f - Karakorum Signal & Control Signal

SMART STRIKE (Mr. Prospector)

8th-GGX, \$50,000, Corte Madera S., 1m - Smart N Fast

8th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, a1mT - Skipping Stone

WAYNE COUNTY (IRE) (Sadler's Wells)

3rd-PHA, \$17,000, Msw, 1m - Als Delight

WILD ZONE (Wild Again)

4th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, 6f - Wild Bandit

2000 TWO-YEAR-OLD FILLY GRADED STAKES

DEBUTANTE-GIII, 7-8, Churchill Downs, 5 1/2f,
1:03.79

GOLD MOVER (Gold Fever)

LANDALUCE-GIII, 7-8, Hollywood Park, 6f, 1:11.10

NOTABLE CAREER (Avenue of Flags)

SCHUYLERVILLE-GII, 7-26, Saratoga, 6f, 1:10.33

GOLD MOVER (Gold Fever)

SORORITY S.-GIII, 8-12, Monmouth Park, 6f, 1:10.96

STORMY PICK (Storm Creek)

SORRENTO S.-GII, 8-13, Del Mar, 6 1/2f, 1:17.88

GIVE PRAISE (Pioneering)

ADIRONDACK S.-GII, 8-14, Saratoga, 6 1/2f, 1:17.47

RAGING FEVER (Storm Cat)

SPINAWAY-GI, 9-1, Saratoga, 7f, 1:24.33

STORMY PICK (Storm Creek)

DEL MAR DEBUTANTE-GI, 9-2, Del Mar, 7f, 1:22.61

CINDY'S HERO (Sea Hero)

NATALMA S.-GII, 9-9, Woodbine, 1mT, 1:34.64

SKY ALLIANCE (Sky Classic)

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-AQU, \$44,000, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5, ft.
THE COOL GRAPE (c, 3, The Cool Virginian--All Times, by Al Hattab) Lifetime Record: 16-3-2-1, \$55,420.
 O-Lyndon E Evans. B-William D Snyder (NY). T-Norman C Follett.

8th-LRL, \$35,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50-45,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

IT'S A TRUE RING (f, 4, Horatius--Circle the Floor {MSP}, by Take the Floor) Lifetime Record: 16-5-3-4, \$108,954. O/B-Marilyn S Ketts (MD). T-Craig G Nicholson.

10th-PHA, \$27,280, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

TESTAME (g, 3, Deputed Testamony--Pyrite Dancer, by Iron) Lifetime Record: 14-5-3-2, \$104,810. O-Donald Goguizza. B-Susan C Walmer (PA). T-Carol Oxman.

3rd-CRC, \$24,000, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:42 3/5, ft.

LEONA'S HOPE (f, 2, Sir Leon--Dr Rexsonshope, by Rexson's Hope) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-2, \$45,305. O-Rose Family Stable. B-Harold Rose (FL). T-Harold J Rose.

4th-CRC, \$23,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 1/5, gd.
SENR TAVARES (ARG) (h, 5, Rudy's Fantasy--Palomina {Arg}, by Liloy {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 25-6-4-1, \$101,195. O-Albatroz Bloodstock. B-Alvares Filho Gameiro (ARG). T-Ralph Ziadie.

10th-CRC, \$22,500, 3yo/up, 5f, :58 1/5, ft.
GHERMINELLA (c, 4, Phone Trick--Lively Pebbles, by Key to Content) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-0, \$56,948.
 O-Daniel & Steve Bell. B-Liebeskind Harvey MD (FL). T-Barbara I McBride.

6th-CRC, \$22,000, 2yo, 5f, :59 3/5, ft.
PEDRO (c, 2, Twining--Dance Til Two, by Sovereign Dancer) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$26,345. O-Zaven Minassian. B-Marion G Montanari (KY). T-Timothy A Hills.

TDN TODAY

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MAIDEN WINNERS:

Chastity Belle, f, 2, Gilded Time--Exquisite Mistress (MSW & GSP, \$118,642), by Nasty and Bold. HOL, 12-22, (C), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-R Alex Rankin & Louis Wright (Ky). *\$35,000 yrl '99 KEESSEP. **1/2 to Go Scotty (Bold Ruckus), MSW, \$171,868.

+ **Castle of Sand, c, 2, Montreal Red--Yamaguchi, by Exuberant. PHA, 12-22, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5.** B-M W Sims, L W Sims & John Wallace (Fl). *Seventh winner for freshman sire (by D'Accord).

Alex's Love, c, 2, Not for Love--Cutie Buttons, by North Pole. AQU, 12-22, (C), 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-William L S Landes III (Md). *\$45,000 wlng '98 FTMDEC. **Won by 12 1/2 lengths.

Smokin' Charlotte, f, 2, Red Bishop--King's Thunder, by Time to Explode. HOL, 12-22, (S), 7f, 1:24 1/5. B-Fast Lane Farms Partnership (Ca).

+ **Route Fifty Six, f, 3, Dave's Reality--Sibila, by Kennedy Road. HOL, 12-22, (C), 6f, 1:12 2/5.** B-Robert D Barczewski (Ca).

Dixie's Halo, f, 3, Dixie Brass--Careless Halo, by Sunny's Halo. AQU, 12-22, 1 1/16m, 1:46 1/5. B-Vinery & Hargus Sexton (Ky).

Wheatley Heights, f, 3, Houston--Supreme Dixieland, by Dixieland Band. AQU, 12-22, (S), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Daniel G Coffey (NY). *Won by 5 3/4 lengths.

Kissin Rene, f, 3, Kissin Kris--Monique Rene (MSW, \$456,250), by Prince of Ascot. HOU, 12-21, 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-John Franks (Fl). *1/2 to Prince of the Mt. (Mt. Livermore), GSW, \$396,924.

Le Bishop, f, 3, Red Bishop--Classy and Quick, by *Le Fabuleux. FGX, 12-22, a1mT, 1:42 3/5. B-Richard Rowan (Ill). *\$3,400 2yo 1999 FTKFEB. **1/2 to Bedouin Tent (Shelter Half), SW, \$216,559.

Little Leon, c, 4, Ice Power--On a Tare (SP), by Contare. CTX, 12-21, 4 1/2f, :52 1/5. B-Leon L Taulton (WV).

Burnham, f, 4, Lord At War (Arg)--Madame Dahar (SW, \$102,653), by Dahar. CRC, 12-22, 1 1/16mT, 1:42. B-Dr & Mrs Emler A Neuman (Ky). *\$50,000 2yo 1998 FTKAPR.

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WRITERS UP

CHRISTMAS COMPUTERS *by Frank Carlson*

Christmas is going to extend way beyond December 25 this year in South Florida. Because of the generosity of a handful of parishioners from His Place Ministries, Hollywood Memorial Hospital and the Nortel Corporation, more than 150 computers will find their way into the hands of grooms, hot walkers and various other racetrackers who might not be able to afford one.

While Ken Dube, 43, who works for Nortel's information services in Sunrise, FL, was out of work on disability earlier this year he offered his expertise to Tom LaPointe, pastor of His Place Ministries, in Pembroke Pines. In addition to his duties at the church, LaPointe is also the chaplain at Calder and Gulfstream.

Dube knows computers. He can take them apart, rebuild them, reprogram them and get them back into tip-top shape. He also had some time on his hands, and he wanted to keep busy.

LaPointe was sitting on 150 outdated machines donated to his church by Hollywood Memorial Hospital. LaPointe came in contact with the hospital through the medical care program he set up for backside employees at the two tracks. "The hospital mentioned they were replacing their computer system and asked if I could use some of the old ones. I never turn anything down, although I wasn't sure what to do with them," said LaPointe. "When I went to pick them up, the computer guy at the hospital said he'd give me all of the machines, 150 of them. So we loaded them up and took them over to Gulfstream where we have a big storage shed."

LaPointe had the computers, but didn't know whether they worked or not. And he's the first to admit he knows nothing about computers. In steps Dube. "I was a TV technician before my car and a train collided in 1994. I had a broken neck, collapsed lung and lost the use of one eye. I couldn't work on TV's because my hands were so shaky. The Florida Department of Vocational Rehabilitation sent me to Miami-Dade Community College to study computer programming. I finished at the top of my class and one of the speakers on the graduation program was in charge of Human Resources at Nortel. They asked me to apply and I got a job right out of school." When some of his old injuries flared up this year, Dube went out on disability and found out from members of LaPointe's congregation about the computers.

Dube looked at the computers and offered to reprogram the machines so people could use them to go on the Internet, write letters and play games. LaPointe jumped at the opportunity. "Ken put in games, got them ready for the Internet, add whatever software it needed and got it ready to give away," said LaPointe. "After we gave the first couple away we realized these people didn't even know how to start the computers. So now we are running classes every Saturday. If somebody wants a computer they have to go to the three-hour classes Ken conducts before we'll give them one. That way we know they can get some real use out of them."

The only thing LaPointe has to buy for the computers is modems. "I found a deal on \$11 things to go on the Internet [modems], so we bought a bunch and Ken does whatever he does to get them working so people can send e-mail and go into outer space." You can tell LaPointe is mastering the language of the high-tech world.

"After I began working on the machines from the hospital, I was telling some people at Nortel about what we were doing. They started giving me their old Pentium computers that the company was replacing," said Dube. "There's another fellow from the congregation who knows all about networking and he put the system together that we use for training. He's pitched in to help me repair and rebuild the computers. Some of the ones from the hospital had to be cannibalized to get parts for other machines."

LaPointe says he's given about 50 computers away so far to Calder and Gulfstream people who have shown an interest and come to the classes. He's also making sure the kids in his church's Youth Program have a shot at getting a computer. "These are kids whose parents will never have enough money to buy them a computer," said Dube. "You should see their eyes light up when we tell them we're going to give them a computer. It's worth all the work."

2yo Filly Stakes results cont. from p. 3

MATRON-GI, 9-17, Belmont Park, 1m, 1:38.20

RAGING FEVER (Storm Cat)

MAZARINE BREEDERS' CUP-GI, 9-23, Woodbine, 1 1/16m, 1:45.37

SALTY YOU (Salt Lake)

ARLINGTON-WASHINGTON LASSIE-GIII, 9-30, Arlington, 1m, 1:36.91

THUNDER BERTIE (Thunder Gulch)

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CELTIC SWING STUD FEE ANNOUNCED Celtic Swing (GB) (Damister {USA}) will stand for Ir£7,000 at his new home at the Irish National Stud. The eight-year-old, who was to stand at the Haras d'Etream in France until recent notice of his relocation to Ireland, is currently the sire of 11 winners of 16 races from 23 runners, making him the leading European freshman sire (in order of percentage of winners to runners with a minimum of 15 runners in Europe: statistics by Hyperion Promotions). Among his notable winners is leading juvenile & Royal Ascot Chesham S. winner Celtic Silence (GB).

★ BRITAIN ★

LAKE CONISTON TO COLLIN STUD

In another high-profile move this week, Collin Stud will stand **Lake Coniston (Ire)** (Bluebird {USA}--Persian Polly {Ire}, by Persian Bold {Ire}) in 2001, having been secured by David Allan of Allan Bloodlines to move from Coolmore-Castlehyde. After the news that Zaha (Can) had joined the Newmarket stud, Manager Robin Sharp was delighted to add another Group 1 winner to the roster. Champion sprinter, and highly-impressive winner of the G1 July Cup at Newmarket, Lake Coniston was a leading second-season sire and boasts the Sir Michael Stoute-trained Karasta (Ire) among his progeny. That filly is as low as 6-1 for next year's G1 2000 Guineas after success in the G3 May Hill S. at Doncaster Sept. 7, and a second place in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp Oct. 1. At a fee of £2,750 Oct. 1 terms, David Allan is confident that he can prove value for money. "Remember when Fairy King stood for £3,000? Well, Lake Coniston offers the same sort of upside potential," Allan said. "I hope that he will be priced at a lot more in 2002 onwards." Lake Coniston's recent yearlings averaged nearly six times his current fee, making up to 60,000 guineas. Sharp commented, "In a few months, Lake Coniston could sire a Classic winner, and he is as good as a complete outcross with Northern Dancer so far back. This is a very exciting addition to our roster."

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HEINZ UNDER THREAT

Leopardstown racecourse faces the danger of losing the 2001 running of the G1 Heinz 57 Phoenix S., and severe disruption to its G1 Irish Champion S. meeting, it was announced yesterday. The problems will arise if planned construction work on a motorway extension, which includes the top end of the sprint course and most of the Ballyogan end of the car park, goes ahead. As Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council hands over the entire M50 motorway site to a building contractor at the beginning of July, the effect would be catastrophic on the racecourse if a solution is not reached in time. Tony Corcoran, acting general manager of Leopardstown since May, will hand that role over to the newly appointed Matt O'Dwyer, but first he will have to involve himself in negotiations to avoid disruption. He said, "It is possible that the contractor may not need to touch the sprint course until early autumn. We will be finished with it for the rest of the year after the Irish Champion S. meeting. We hope to find a solution."

RACING TAKES CHRISTMAS BREAK

All was quiet yesterday as racing in Britain took a brief break before Christmas. Normal service resumes on Boxing Day with Wolverhampton's all-weather fixture, as well as a host of national hunt action, centering around the G1 Pertemps King George VI Chase at Kempton. A familiar figure will be seen over the Christmas period, as three-time Grade 1 Champion Hurdle winner **Istabraq (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells {USA}) returns in the AIB Agri-Business Christmas Festival Hurdle at Leopardstown Dec. 29. There is action at Pau and Cagnes-Sur-Mer on Christmas Eve, as well as racing at Siracusa, Naples, Chilivani and Livorno in Italy. Today's meeting at Gelsenkirchen appears under threat due to freezing.

★ UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ★

EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS IN U.A.E.:

Shather (Ire), c, 3, **Goofalik (USA)**--Western Pride (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Priamos (Ger). Nad Al Sheba, 12-21, mdn., 1500m, 1:35.00. B-Galadari Sons Stud Co Ltd.
Jeryaan (Ire), g, 4, **Fairy King (USA)**--Moonshine Lake (GB), by Kris (GB). Nad Al Sheba, 12-21, mdn., 1500m, 1:35.79. B-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum.
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Cable Media Boy (Ire), g, 4, Great Commotion (USA)--Lady Fleetsin (Ire), by Double Schwartz (Ire). Nad Al Sheba, 12-21, hcp., 1500, 1:30.91. B-Miss Ann Neary & James Nolan. *9,504gns yrl '97 TISEP; 8,600gns HRA '98 DNMAR.

Nadeem (Ire), g, 4, Zafonic (USA)--Nadma (USA), by Northern Dancer (Can). Nad Al Sheba, 12-21, hcp., 2000m, 2:03.53. B-Sheikh Mohd bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

EUROPEAN-SIRED WINNER IN U.A.E.:

High Regard (Jpn), c, 4, Nashwan (USA)--Hebba (USA), by Nureyev (USA). Nad Al Sheba, 12-21, cond., 2000m, 2:07.91. B-Shiraoi Farm.

BEADMAN OKAYED TO RIDE

Jockey Darren Beadman has been cleared by doctors to return to the saddle on Jan. 6--a week before the rich Magic Millions fixture at the Gold Coast on Jan. 13. Magic Millions has moved it's a \$1 million three-year-old race from Sydney's Rosehill in July to bolster its already successful program with the A\$1 million Magic Millions for two-year-olds. Beadman has been sidelined with a blood clot on his liver following a fall at Randwick.

ROBINSON GAINS INJUNCTION

Jockey Alan Robinson obtained a Supreme Court injunction on Thursday to stop the Thoroughbred Racing Board from holding a show cause hearing scheduled for today, into why his licence should not be revoked. The hearing was a result of comments attributed to Robinson in various newspaper articles recently regarding stewards, that TRB Chief Steward Ray Murrirhy says he considers "demeaning and derogatory." Robinson insists he's "not feeling the heat" over the matter and says he will ride at Rosehill next week to show stewards "he's not afraid." The matter will now be heard on Jan. 15.

★ AUSTRALASIA ★

HONG KONG CONFUSION CONTINUES

The fury in Hong Kong over remarks attributed to Sunline's (NZ) (Desert Sun {GB}) rider Greg Childs continues unabated with HKJC Chief Steward John Schreck, the highly-regarded former chief stipe of Sydney's Australian Jockey Club, summoning Childs and Adam's (Aus) (Rubiton {Aus}) rider Justin Sheehan to appear at an inquiry on Dec. 29 at 11 a.m. Jockeys Douglas Whyte, Basil Marcus, Weishcong Marwing and Robbie Fradd have also been asked to appear at the inquiry. "At this time, the stewards have no intention or indeed any reason to seriously consider rolling this inquiry out into one which involved any thoughts of so-called race fixing," Schreck was reported as saying on racingandsports.com. "The inquiry will centre around the alleged statements made by jockey Greg Childs and whether or not those comments or any approaches made by Greg Childs to Justin Sheehan constitute a breach of the rules of racing of the Hong Kong Jockey Club."

PREMIER DATE MOVED

The inaugural A\$650,000 Premier Race at Flemington for graduates of the William Inglis Premier Yearling Sale in Melbourne has been switched back to its original date of March 12. Inglis moved its Melbourne sale forward a month to Feb. 12 and 13 and subsequently moved the race forward to Feb. 10. Some trainers of Premier horses targeting the race were believed to be unhappy with the new date and the sale company acquiesced to their requests.

★ U.S. PREMIERES ★

Today at Hollywood Park

5th Race, Allowance, \$40,000, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT ROYAL HIGHLANDER (IRE) (c, 3, Foxhound {USA}--Sky Lover {Ire}, by Ela-Mana-Mou {Ire}) opened his career with a 1 1/2-length win at Doncaster Nov. 5 of last year and spent the winter on the sidelines. In early spring, the bay colt was bought by Team Valor and began training under John Hills. He returned to the races to make his sophomore debut in the Apr. 19 Listed European Free H. and finished fifth behind Cape Town (Ire). Staying on the grass for his American premier today, the Jenine Sahadi trainee adds Lasix for the first time and attempts the shortest distance of his career. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$7,354. O-Barber & Miller & Team Valor. B-Jacqueline Donnelly (Ire). T-Jenine Sahadi.

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