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NEW YEAR'S KING?

Santa Anita kicks off the new year with what should be a brazen display of speed in this afternoon's GIII El Conejo H. One of the quickest horses in the country who routinely gets to the half in :43 and change, **King**



King Robyn *Benoit photo*

Robyn (Robyn Dancer) is coming off a pair of graded wins on the grass, taking the GIII Morvich H. at Santa Anita Oct. 24 and the GIII Hollywood Turf Express H. Nov. 28. He won eight of 11 in 2003 and looks to start the new year the right way. He'll have company on the front end, however, with the likes of GSWs

Boston Common (Boston Harbor) and **Avanzado** (Arg)

(Luhuk) in the field. The latter was uneven last year, but performances like his victory in the GI Ancient Title Breeders' Cup H. in October provide evidence of his latent talent. Though Bob Baffert's **Rojo Toro** (Mountain Cat) won the GII San Rafael S. over this track last March, he must overcome a nine-month break and an undesirable inside post. Those shopping for a price should take a look at **Hasty Kris** (Kissin Kris). If he can keep close tabs on the leaders early, his strong closing kick fits in a field of unabashed speed junkies.



Avanzado *Benoit photo*

Thursday, Santa Anita, post time: 4:07 p.m. PST

EL CONEJO H.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 5 1/2f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Rojo Toro	Mountain Cat	Baffert	115
2	King Robyn	Robyn Dancer	Mullins	119
3	Casas Caballo	Boston Harbor	Mitchell	111
4	Giovannetti	Memo (Chi)	Monteleone	114
5	Grimm	Hansel	Kruljac	113
6	Boston Common	Boston Harbor	Mullins	117
7	Summer Service	Siberian Summer	Spawr	112
8	Avanzado (Arg)	Luhuk	O'Neill	119
9	Hasty Kris	Kissin Kris	Sadler	116

TIMO TRIES TO KEEP IT SUNNY

A strong field of new sophomores line up for today's GIII Tropical Park Derby at Calder. Probable post-time favorite **Timo** (El Prado {Ire}) has done nothing wrong in five lifetime starts, placing second in two and winning the other three, including a pair of stakes. He prompted the pace when annexing the nine-furlong Pilgrim S. over a yielding Belmont lawn in mid-October, then showed a different dimension with a brilliant late run to capture the Mecke S. at Calder Nov. 29. Turf whiz Bill Mott sends out **Cool Conductor**, whose sire, Stravinsky, has gotten off to a great start at stud.



Timo *A Coglianese*

Cool Conductor managed a fourth in the Pilgrim after a poor start and led late in the Mecke before finishing a respectable third. He's a horse on the improve, but has broken slowly in three of four starts. The well-bred **Commendation** (Capote)--a half to distaff star Take Charge Lady--is three-for-four on the grass, including a win in the Bourbon County S. at Keeneland. His tactical speed will help him here.

Thursday, Calder, post time: 3:53 p.m. EST

TROPICAL PARK DERBY-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Broadway View	Broad Brush	Procino	112
2	Potomac Chase	Smoke Glacken	Blengs	115
3	Wasabi Cat	Tabasco Cat	McPeek	112
4	Global Arena	World Stage (Ire)	Malek	112
5	Sovereign Honor	Double Honor	Pinchin	117
6	Milestone Victory	Dynaformer	Brennan	112
7	Timo	El Prado (Ire)	Badgett	122
8	Cool Conductor	Stravinsky	Mott	112
9	Imperialism	Langfuhr	Salinas	115
10	Kitten's Joy	El Prado (Ire)	Romans	119
11	Up Anchor	Polish Navy	McGee	117
12	Commendation	Capote	Motion	119

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the \$100,000 Tropical Park Derby at Calder. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).



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Undeclared 3yo Pesci by STORMY ATLANTIC romps by 5 at Santa Anita on Dec. 28, maintaining her perfect record. This victory follows an impressive 8 1/2 length win at Hollywood Park in late November.

Her next stop: the Sunshine Millions.



NORTH AMERICA

SEVERE BRUISE SIDELINES SNAKE MOUNTAIN

Jimmy Jerkens' gelding **Snake Mountain** (A.P. Indy), whose affinity for Aqueduct was confirmed last winter with a trio of graded stakes victories, has been forced to the sidelines after suffering a severe foot bruise in his right hind. "They located exactly where it is; they're just cutting away where they can get it to come out," Jerkens told *Daily Racing Form*. "Most of the time, there's so much pressure there that it pops right out. What can you do?"



Snake Mountain A Coglianese

He won't be long getting to the races. He was dead fit and ready to run when it happened." The handsome chestnut returned from a five-month freshening to capture an open allowance race at Belmont Oct. 24 and was gearing up for busy winter in New York. Jerkens indicated the six-year-old might be ready to return to the races by March.

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3:53p **Tropical Park Derby-G3**, Calder

7:07p **El Conejo H.-G3**, Santa Anita

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★ **NEW YORK** ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$47,000, Alw, NW3X, 3/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

1--**DON SIX, 118, c, 3, Wild Escapade--Concorde's Beauty, by Concorde Bound.** O/B-Patricia Generazio

(FL); T-Frank A Generazio Jr. Lifetime Record: SW & MGSP, 12-4-4-1, \$193,450. *1/2 to Stacey Tracey (Trick Me), MSW, \$284,935.

2--**Pop Rocks, 114, h, 6, Rocky Mountain--Cherry Maison, by Cherry Pop.**

3--**Crafty Song, 113, c, 3, Unbridled's Song--Crafty Casa, by Crafty Prospector.** (\$290,000 wlng '00 KEENOV; \$180,000 2yo '02 FTFEB).

Margins: 4, 2 1/4, 7 1/4. Odds: 0.80, 2.15, 14.60.

Don Six, second in the Gill Bay Shore S. and third in the Gill Jersey Shore Breeders' Cup S. earlier this year, was given a break following a fourth in a Saratoga allowance Aug. 20. The Florida-bred returned to be the runner-up in a pair of Aqueduct allowance contests, over the main track Nov. 2 and on the inner Dec. 10. Bet down to 4-5 to go one better this time, Don Six assumed command at the outset and opened up when asked to score under a hand ride.

3rd-AQU, \$46,000, Alw, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:53 2/5, ft.

BIOGIO'S BEAUTY (f, 3, Distorted Humor--Night Sparkler {SP}, by Pleasant Colony), runner-up in the New York Oaks Sept. 1 at Finger Lakes, had some trouble clearing her NW1X condition in open company thereafter, but finally did so over track and trip Dec. 13. Let go at 6-1 this time, the New York-bred miss was forwardly placed from the start, rallied three wide on the far turn and came home a length clear of favored Hot Golden Jet (A. P Jet). She was a \$23,000 FTNAUG yearling. Lifetime Record: SP, 16-5-2-3, \$183,862.

O-Joseph & Alfred Nastasi. B-Gary F Mottola (NY). T-Robert Ribaud.



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New York Report cont.

6th-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 9f, 1:51 3/5, ft. CHARLIE WHISKEY (g, 3, Cryptoclearance--Flying Minister, by Deputy Minister) found himself running for purse money only after entymate Top Song (Sultry Song) was scratched at the gate. The Fox Ridge homebred had failed to hit the board in five previous outings, most recently running eighth over the Belmont lawn Oct. 8. Breaking from the rail for his return to action, the dark bay quickly went up to set the pace and showed the way throughout, scampering home to graduate by 8 1/4 lengths. Kentucky Pride (A.P. Indy), the runner-up, paid \$5.90 to win. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-0, \$27,840.

O/B-Fox Ridge Farm Inc (KY). T-Patrick J Kelly.

4th-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft. + SUM MARVAL (c, 2, Polish Numbers--Maragold Princess {MSW, \$322,900}, by Smarten) was content to track the early pace in sixth behind pacesetter 1-2 choice Jet Prospector (A. P Jet). Up to third a furlong from home, the 7-1 chance finished gamely once straightened away and got up in time to beat his foe by a head. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600. O-Madcapt Stable. B-Michael Joesph Cascio (NY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

NYRA Announces 2004 Seating/Parking Prices:

The New York Racing Association yesterday announced its reserved seat and parking prices for Belmont S. day and the 2004 Saratoga meet. Clubhouse seats remain \$40, \$25 and \$15, which does not include a \$5 admission price. Grandstand seats stay at \$25, \$15 and \$7, to which a \$2 admission price will be added. Fans purchasing reserved Belmont S. seats are entitled to a complimentary reserved seat on Friday, Acorn Day at Belmont. At the Spa, grandstand admission and reserved seating will be available for \$9 or \$10, depending on seat location. Clubhouse admission, including reserved seating, will range from \$14 to \$17. There is an additional \$10 charge per reserved seat on GI Travers S. day. For more information, visit

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★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

MARYLAND JUVENILE CHAMPIONSHIP S., \$100,000, LRL, 12-31, (S), 2yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51 2/5, ft.

1--**WHITE MOUNTAIN BOY, 122, c, 2, by Meadowlake**

1st Dam: La Sarto, by Cormorant

2nd Dam: Dame Sybil, by Elocutionist

3rd Dam: Anne Campbell, by Never Bend

(\$50,000 yrl '02 KEESER; \$50,000 2yo '03 FTFEB). O-Michael J Gill; B-Elk Manor Farm (MD); T-Phil Schoenthal; J-A Castellano Jr; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$110,250.

2--**Cryptic Skier, 122, c, 2, Crypto Star--Grand Slalom, by Broad Brush.** \$20,000.

3--**Kwame, 122, g, 2, Valiant Nature--Princess Tori, by Sham.** O-Hickory Plains Farm Llc. \$11,000.

Margins: 6, 10HF, 8. Odds: 1.30, 0.60, 39.20.

White Mountain Boy got things off on the right foot with a nose win in his debut going 1 1/16 miles over this track Oct. 23 before falling a half-length short last time, but still collected the victory following the disqualification of the winner in the seven-furlong Rollicking S. against state-bred foes Nov. 8. Sent off the 6-5 second choice to keep his perfect record in tact, the bay sprinted clear soon after the start, built a comfortable lead and was never threatened late to score by daylight.

AULD LANG SYNE S., \$40,650, CRC, 12-31, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:39 4/5, fm.

1--**#ALL THE HONOR, 112, f, 3, Double Honor--Elite Jet**

Setter, by Highland Blade. (\$25,000 2yo '02 FTMMAY). O-Thorobeam Farm; B-Lori Fackler & Sheila Kagan (FL); T-Edward Plesa Jr; J-E Castro; \$26,390. Lifetime Record: 14-5-1-4, \$116,554.

2--**Born Something (Ire), 117, m, 5, Caerleon--Born Gold, by Blushing Groom (Fr).** \$7,130.

3--**Cocktailsandreams, 117, m, 6, Lucky North--Country Lover, by Country Pine.** \$3,922.

Margins: HF, 2HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 4.70, 3.20, 34.70.

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Auld Lang Syne S. cont.

All the Honor found the turf to her liking when she came home a 3/4-length winner in her grass debut in a \$25,000 optional claimer going five panels here Oct. 12 and made it two in a row with a four-length score in her latest, going a mile of the Calder turf Nov. 12. Looking to keep her turf record spotless this time, the fourth choice took command early, fought off the attentions of Born Something (Ire) through the straight and held the advantage late en route to a narrow score, just three ticks off the course record.

7th-LRL, \$31,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000-\$25,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 3/5, ft.

BOCCA AL LUPO (c, 3, Grand Slam--Tilt My Halo {Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MSW, \$402,943}, by Halo) lost his unbeaten record when returning from a nine-month hiatus Sept. 24 at Pimlico, but returned to win twice at Laurel, including a 2 1/2-length tally in an optional claimer Nov. 27. Unhurried early, the dark bay launched his run on the outside in the stretch and just got up to deny 4-5 My Good Trick (Tricky Fun) by a nose. Bocca al Lupo was a \$40,000 KEESEP yearling and \$33,000 OBSMAR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 5-4-1-0, \$68,160. O-Germania Farms Inc. B-Holtsinger Inc (KY). T-Timothy J Tullock Jr.

7th-CRC, \$26,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000-\$22,500), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 1/5, fm.

POETIC ROMANCE (f, 3, Storm Creek--Blend of Poetry, by Iron Constitution) won her last two starts on the lawn, including a 3 1/2-length victory over this track last time Nov. 23 and was sent off the 6-5 choice to remain undefeated on the grass. Off the pace early, the half to Crusader's Poetry (Crusader Sword), SW & GSP, \$118,612, angled out to mount her challenge entering the stretch, took over midstretch and drew off in the final sixteenth to score by two lengths over Still As Sweet (Ire) (Fairy King). Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$46,670.

O-Runnin Horse Farm Inc. B-Farnsworth Farms (FL). T-Norman R Pointer.

5th-LRL, \$25,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, ft. SHE'S A REBEL TOO (f, 2, Two Punch--Dixieland Queen, by Dixieland Band), third in her debut going a panel longer over this track Dec. 18, jumped out to take an easy early lead this time, increased her advantage throughout and cruised home a 6 1/4-length winner. The 2-1 favorite is a half to Ragtime Doll (Smarten), SW, \$129,665. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$17,000. O-Thomas Bowman Jr & Sutton Thomas. B-Dr & Mrs Thomas Bowman, Mr & Mrs Sutton Thomas (MD). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Nimello, g, 7, Kingmambo--Zakota (Ire), by Polish Precedent. Wolverhampton, 12-31, Hcp, 3yo/up, 9f 79yds (AWT). B-Glencrest Farm LLC. * \$115,000 wnlg '96 KEENOV; 70,000gns 2yo '98 TATAPR; 7,000gns HRA '02 TATAUT.



FRESHMAN FOCUS

First-crop progeny to watch: Thursday, January 1

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- DONERAILE COURT** (Seattle Slew), Buck Pond, \$8K, 75/18/2 8-LRL, Stk, 6f, Basketball Court, \$50K OBS MAR 2yo, 6-1
- EVENT OF THE YEAR** (Seattle Slew), Golden Eagle, \$10K, 72/3/0 8-LRL, Stk, 6f, Seeyouattheevent, \$10K EAS OCT yrl, 8-1
- FASLIYEV** (Nureyev), Coolmore, \$20K, 112/32/7 6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Faswiga
- HORSECHESTNUT (SAF)** (Fort Wood), Claiborne, \$10K, 36/6/0 6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Lucifer's Stone, \$150K FTF FEB 2yo
- MENIFEE** (Harlan), Stone, \$15K, 37/7/0 7-TP, Msw, 1m, Thelionshare, \$100K KEE SEP yrl
- REAL QUIET** (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 72/9/0 6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Really American
- SAHM** (Mr. Prospector), Shadwell, \$5K, 34/4/1 6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Coquinerie, \$6K KEE SEP yrl
- STRAVINSKY** (Nureyev), Ashford, \$18K, 115/26/2 9-CRC, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Cool Conductor, \$210K KEE APR 2yo

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HIP 129 – c, Gilded Time–Hong Kong Jade

Out of a stakes-producing 1/2-sister to Rubiano.

HIP 169 – f, Forest Wildcat–Leary Lass

Out of a winning 1/2-sister to Aly's Alley, GSW of \$902,210.

HIP 180 – c, Touch Gold–Majestic Dy

UPDATE: Full-sister Tea Lady broke her maiden in 2nd start at Calder 12/28.

All 2yos are broken and galloping.

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SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Thursday, Jan. 1

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1999 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

AWESOME AGAIN (Deputy Minister), Adena, \$50K, 148/40/5
6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Pink Champagne, \$100K OBS FEB 2yo

DOUBLE HONOR (Gone West), Farnsworth, \$, 138/69/2

9-CRC, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Sovereign Honor, \$17K OBS MAR 2yo

LASTING APPROVAL (With Approval), Walmac, \$7K, 42/13/0

6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Honey Ryder, \$70K WIM BRN yrl

NORTHERN AFLEET (Afleet), DBL Diamond, \$5K, 81/38/2

6-CRC, Stk, 1 1/16mT, Cold Wynnter, \$7K OBS JUN 2yo

★ **SO. CALIFORNIA** ★

Yesterday's Results:

KALOOKAN QUEEN H., \$84,850, SAX, 12-31, 3yo/up,
f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:14 4/5, ft.

*1--**EMA BOVARY (CHI)**, 120, f, 4, Edgy Diplomat--

Coqueta (Pan), by Toy. O-Beal & Ramsey; B-Haras
San Patricio (CHI); T-Larry D Ross; J-R M Gonzalez;
\$20,480. Lifetime Record: 7-6-0-0, \$156,880.

2--**Royally Chosen**, 119, m, 5, In Excess (Ire)--Her
Royalty, by King of Kings. O-Peter Abruzzo, Vincent
Johnston, Et Al. \$47,940.

3--**Sparkling Ava**, 113, f, 4, Royal Academy--Carolina
Chant, by Linkage. O-Barry K Schwartz. \$9,588.

Margins: NO, 5HF, NO. Odds: 1.20, 1.90, 70.30.

**Royally Chosen finished first, but was DQ'd to second.*

Ema Bovary needed little help from the stewards, but secured her sixth straight victory in a brilliant finish. In March, the bay, campaigned in Chile as a three-year-old, began a series of four minor stakes wins that culminated with a tally in the Camilla Urso H. at Golden Gate Nov. 9. Last out, she faced \$100,000 optional claimers at Hollywood Nov. 29 with familiar results--a snapshot from the track photographer. Here, she rallied from just off the pace and was just nosed out at the line by a dead-game Royally Chosen, but stewards ruled the latter came out and reversed the order of finish.

7th-SAX, \$52,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X,
2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.

FRIENDLY MICHELLE (f, 2, Artax--Valiant Jewel {MSW,
\$296,792}, by Buckley Boy) ran a non-threatening
fourth in her July 27 bow, but came right back 13 days
later to rip off an impressive 6 1/2-length maiden
breaker. With a nearly five-month vacation under her
belt, the leggy chestnut returned here off a series of
very solid works that ensured short 4-5 odds. Flashing
speed from the outside, she joined Hawa Mahal
(Hennessy) and Can't Be Denied (Afternoon Deelites)
through sharp early fractions, then kicked clear profes-
sionally to prevail by four lengths. Hawa Mahal held
well for second, while Sunshine Allie (Southern Halo)
closed for third. Friendly Michelle, a \$77,000 FTKJUL
yearling acquisition, is a half to Abba Gold (Devil's
Bag), MSP, \$179,732. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0,
\$63,540.

O-Ed Friendly & Mike Foster. B-Ronald Fein (KY). T-Bob
Baffert.

2nd-SAX, \$57,820, Msw, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44 1/5,
ft.

GARDEN WHIMSY (f, 2, Bertrando--Seed Case, by
Never Tabled) had made all of her previous starts in Cal-
bred company, including a second going six furlongs at
Hollywood Nov. 29. Stretching out to a route for the
first time, the 3-1 shot vied for the lead, took charge on
the backstretch and held off a rallying Willow Rush
(Wild Rush) for a 3/4-length triumph. Lifetime Record:
4-1-1-1, \$51,900.

O/B-Mr & Mrs Martin J Wygod (CA). T-John A
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Johar Gets Brief Vacation:

Following a poor showing in the G1 Japan Cup in late November, The Thoroughbred Corporation's **Johar** (Gone West) will be "getting a rest," according to trainer Richard Mandella. The GI Breeders' Cup Turf dead-heat winner failed to fire over a rain-soaked Tokyo Race Course sod that Mandella termed "a bog," finishing 16th of 18 runners. Of future plans, Hall of Famer Mandella said, "He'll run later in the spring some time and probably be pointed to the Jim Murray and the [GI, Charles] Whittingham H. at Hollywood."

Half to Flander Debuts Today:

A half brother to **Flanders** (Seeking the Gold), who was named two-year-old filly champion after winning the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies in 1994, makes his debut today in the first race at Santa Anita. Four-year-old **Capital Spending** (A.P. Indy) goes out for trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who has overseen a steady work tab that dates back to mid-October. The Overbrook homebred, out of the Storm Bird mare Starlet Storm, will break from post one in the mile-and-a-sixteenth event and is listed at 6-1 on the morning line. He's also a half to MGSP **Late Edition** (Cryptoclearance).

★ WEST ★

Tuesday Night's Results:

7th-SUN, \$26,069, 12-30, NW2LX, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:15 2/5, ft.

SPEEDY FALCON (f, 2, **Jeblar--Tiny Falcon, by Agitate**), a \$50,000 OBSAPR juvenile, won her first three starts by a combined 20 1/4 lengths, but faltered to be fifth in her latest, the Nov. 28 Princess H. at Sunland Park. Let go at 5-1 with the drop down to the allowance ranks, the 1/2 to Bet Birdie (Bet Twice), MSW, \$188,746, put a head in front after a half and returned to her winning ways with a one-length score. Lifetime Record: SW, 5-4-0-0, \$56,467. O-G Chris Coleman. B-Farnsworth Farms (FL). T-Henry Dominguez.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

ESPN Announces New Fans' Awards:

Long John Silver's Wire to Wire, ESPN's weekly journal on Thoroughbred racing, has created a new online pole called "ESPN.com Fans' Champion Awards" that allows fans to vote on winners in respective equine and human categories. Voting takes place today through January 19th at www.espn.com, with winners announced on the Tuesday, January 20 airing of *Wire to Wire*. *Wire to Wire* airs each Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. (ET) on espn2 with a repeat airing each Saturday at 5:30 a.m.

UPCOMING MAJOR U.S. STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Jan. 1	GIII El Conejo H. GIII Tropical Park Derby	Santa Anita Calder
Jan. 3	GII San Pasqual H. GIII Hal's Hope H. GIII Honey Fox H. GIII Mr. Prospector H.	Santa Anita Gulfstream Gulfstream Gulfstream
Jan. 4	GIII Appleton H. GIII Santa Ysabel S.	Gulfstream Santa Anita
Jan. 10	GII San Fernando H. GII San Gorgonio H. GIII Golden Gate Derby GIII Spectacular Bid S.	Santa Anita Santa Anita Golden Gate Gulfstream
Jan. 11	GIII First Lady H. GIII San Miguel S.	Gulfstream Santa Anita
Jan. 17	GII Santa Catalina S. GIII Holy Bull S.	Santa Anita Gulfstream
Jan. 18	GII El Encino S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 19	GII San Marcos S. GII Santa Ynez S.	Santa Anita Santa Anita
Jan. 24	GIII Lecomte S.	Fair Grounds
Jan. 25	GI Santa Monica H. GIII Mac Diarmida H.	Santa Anita Gulfstream
Jan. 31	GIII Brown Bess H. GIII Canadian Turf H. GIII San Bernardino H. GIII Suwannee River H.	Golden Gate Gulfstream Santa Anita Gulfstream
Feb. 1	GII Palos Verdes H. GIII Whirlaway H.	Santa Anita Fair Grounds
Feb. 7	GII Davona Dale S. GII San Vicente S. GII Strub S. GIII Deputy Minister H.	Gulfstream Santa Anita Santa Anita Gulfstream

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Equine Vision Stallion of The Week

SIR CAT

Sire of Predawn Raid, winner of the G3 Fred W. Hooper H. at Calder Race Course. Congratulations to Gainesway!

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JUDDMONTE AGAIN LEADS FRENCH OWNERS

Prince Khalid Abdullah's Juddmonte Farms captured France's leading owner title for the second year in a row after a suspense-filled contest that saw the contest go down to the year's final day of racing. Juddmonte held the lead in the standings before the Aga Khan forged ahead when his homebred Dalakhani won the Arc. Juddmonte closed the gap with wins by American Post in the G1 Gran Criterium, Weightless in the G2 Prix Dollar and Moon Search in the G2 Prix de Royallieu. The month of October proved a successful one for the Juddmonte colours with a success by Etoile Montante in the G1 Prix de la Forêt and Apsis's victory in the G3 Prix Thomas Byron. By mid-December Prince Khalid's lead was €30,000, but the Aga Khan stable started to roll again and by Dec. 20, on the eve of the last two days of flat racing at Deauville, the Aga Khan was back in the lead by a mere €215. On Monday at Deauville, Prince Khalid's last runner of the year, the three-year-old filly Real Trust was the heavy 5-10 favourite in the Prix de Rabodanges. In an event restricted to jockeys and apprentices who had not won 15 races in 2003, Bruno Marchand was aboard the fancied filly. Opening four lengths soon after the break, Real Trust turned for home six in front. Still four in front one out, her rider dropped his hands only to see the fast-finishing Solo Tango come by 75 yards from home. Real Trust had to settle for second and her rider was suspended eight days, but Prince Khalid was again in front by €2,585. Tuesday's card at Deauville was France's last day of flat racing for the year and it provided the Aga Khan with two chances to secure the owner's title. With a third-place finish in the first race, the Aga Khan needed only a fifth-place effort from one of a pair of runners in the fourth race, but neither could threaten.

Juddmonte cont. next column

Narrowest of Margins...

With an €185 lead, the smallest in French racing history, Prince Khalid Abdullah retained the title he gained for the first time last year. His horses amassed €2,488,840. Juddmonte was also the winningest owner of group races with 12 wins (four Group 1s, five Group 2s and three Group 3s), ahead of the Wildenstein stable (two Group 1s, five Group 2s, three Group 3s) and the Aga Khan (three Group 1s, three Group 2s). Juddmonte's 2003 French Group 1 winners are: **Nebraska Tornado** (Storm Cat) (Prix de Diane and Prix du Moulin de Longchamp), **Etoile Montante** (Miswaki) (Prix de la Forêt) and **American Post (GB)** (Bering {GB}) (Grand Critérium Jean-Luc Lagardère).

★ **GERMANY** ★

HUMAITA BOUND FOR WINTER SUN

Gestut Fahrhof's homebred filly **Humaita (Ger)** (Surumu {Ger}) has been moved to the United States where she will continue her racing career under the guidance of conditioner Graham Motion, who is currently based in Florida for the winter. Humaita won the Listed Krefelder Sommerstutenpreis as a sophomore in 2003 and is a member of leading sire influence Surumu's final crop, which also included the 2003 G1 Derby Italiano hero Osorio (Ger). Humaita is a full sister to the Group 3 winner Happy Change (Ger) and is a 3/4 sister to the G2 Premio Carlo d'Alessio scorer Hamond (Ger), who is by Surumu's best son Acatenango (Ger). Humaita will carry the colours of Andreas Jacobs, who is the grandson of Fahrhof's founder, the late Walther J. Jacobs.

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★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Wolverhampton, 1:45, Mdn, £4,340, 3yo, 7f (AWT), 1:31.75, sl.

DENVER (IRE) (c, 2, Danehill--Born Beautiful, by Silver Deputy) was second in his first start for Brian Meehan last time out at Southwell Dec. 19 after starting his career with Aidan O'Brien. Always within striking distance with blinkers on here, the colt took charge with two furlongs to run and bested Bahiano (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}) by two lengths. Denver, a €770,000 GOFORB yearling, is the first foal of the unraced Born Beautiful. The mare is a half sister to the dam of French champions Green Tune and Pas de Reponse. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, £5,556.

O/B-Gigginstown House Stud; T-B J Meehan; J-R Winston.



ASIA

★ HONG KONG ★

ALAN LI, FORMER HKJC CHAIRMAN, DIES

Alan Li Fook Sum, who was part-owner of top runners Sagace (Fr) and Strawberry Road (Aus) and was a former chairman of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, died Tuesday from an apparent heart attack. He was 66 years old. A near 40-year veteran of the Club, Li was elected a Steward in 1987 before ascending to the role of chairman in 1998. During his four years in that position, purse money for the Hong Kong International Races more than doubled from HK\$20 million in 1998 to HK\$54 million in 2002. An accomplished owner, Li's red, green and black colors were most prominently carried in Hong Kong by Giglit (Fr), who set a track record in winning the 1984 Stewards Cup. He also maintained racing and breeding interests overseas, particularly in France, where he was the part owner of 1984 G1 Arc de Triomphe winner Sagace (Fr) as well as Strawberry Road (Aus), the 1983 Australian Horse of the Year who went on to campaign successfully in Europe and the United States. "Alan Li loved his racing," commented current HKJC Chairman Ronald Arculli. "His contribution to racing was immeasurable. Not only did he put Hong Kong on the world map of Thoroughbred racing, but he was also held in high esteem throughout the world. As a good and old friend, I will miss him and his guidance very much."

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BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

MARYLAND JUVENILE FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP S., \$100,000, LRL, 12-31, (S), 2yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:53, ft.
1--#POUR IT ON, 119, f, 2, Cryptoclearance--Quality Control, by Cojak. O-Hickory Plains Farm Llc; B-Albert H Cohen, Randy L Cohen & Philip Teinowitz (MD); T-Hamilton A Smith; J-E Rodriguez; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$78,090. *1/2 to Quarter Ton of Fun (In Case), SP, \$169,680.
2--Sea of Promises, 119, f, 2, Sea of Secrets--Crafty Promise, by Crafty Prospector. (\$29,000 2yo '03 FTMJUL). \$20,000.
3--Grant's Moon, 119, f, 2, Malibu Moon--Grant a Wish, by Nureyev. (\$3,000 yrl '02 FTMSEP). \$11,000.
 Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 2. Odds: 36.10, 4.00, 9.10.

NEW YEAR'S EVE S., \$77,300, MNR, 12-30, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 4/5, ft.
1--#SARATOGA HUMOR, 110, f, 3, Distorted Humor --Saratoga Ack (SP), by Saratoga Six. O-William A Baker; B-Fairlawn Farm (KY); T-S Joseph Cain; J-A R Ramgeet; \$46,380. Lifetime Record: 13-4-1-4, \$126,855.
2--Abundantly Blessed, 116, f, 4, Phone Trick--Virginia City, by Carson City. (\$25,000 yrl '00 FTKJUL). \$15,460.
3--Born to Dance, 124, f, 4, Service Stripe--Guard Dance, by Fools Dance. \$8,503.
 Margins: 1, 1, 1 3/4. Odds: 9.00, 15.90, 1.10A.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-AQU, \$44,000, NW1X, (S), 2yo, a1m70yd, 1:43 4/5, ft.
LITTLE MATTH MAN (c, 2, Matty G--Lady's Legacy {SP}, by Matchlite) Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-1, \$63,130. O-Vincent Papandrea. B-Jill P & Edward Michaels (NY). T-Martin E Ciresa. *\$11,000 yrl '02 OBSJAN. **1/2 to Shameful (Flying Chevron), SW & MGSP, \$241,345.
7th-HAW, \$37,200, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 1/5, ft.
LET'S TOUR (f, 3, Tour d'Or--Let's Love a Lot, by Bucksplasher) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$69,620. O/B-Irish Acres Farm (IL). T-P Noel Hickey.
10th-SUN, \$33,200, 12-30, NW19MX, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03 3/5, ft.
ADAM'S JAG (c, 3, Sunday Minister--Surfari, by Ogygian) Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$50,700. O-Pierre Jean & Leslie A Amestoy. B-Richard Brunacini & Kay Thurman (NM). T-L Lucero. *\$13,000 yrl '01 RUIAUG.



9th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12, ft.
KID DIAMOND (c, 3, Wild Zone--I Prefer Emeralds, by Vaal Reef) Lifetime Record: 17-3-2-5, \$80,360. O-Mast Thoroughbreds LLC, Ron Bieke & Robert M Gorham. B-Ben Barnow (IL). T-Robert M Gorham.

9th-SUN, \$29,300, 12-30, NW19MX, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36, ft.
KOMAX (h, 5, Society Max--Muko, by Strawberry Road {Aus}) Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 18-7-2-3, \$149,652. O/B-Triple AAA Ranch (AZ). T-R Kory Owens.

8th-CTX, \$28,200, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:51 1/5, ft.
MORETHANASTAR (c, 4, Mt. Livermore--Star of the Ballet, by Nijinsky II) Lifetime Record: 29-7-1-2, \$107,219. O-Chris C Burnside. B-Warren W Rosenthal (KY). T-Scott A Lake. *\$42,000 yrl '00 KEESEP.

8th-SUN, \$26,300, 12-30, NW3L, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 4/5, ft.
TINY COMET (f, 3, Turkoman--Brainchild, by Fly Till Dawn) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-2, \$39,435. O-Ernest E Dixon. B-Bob Altermatt & Michael P Culleton (CA). T-Zachary Armstrong. *\$3,500 yrl '01 ARKDEC; \$2,200 yrl '01 BESJAN.

9th-TPX, \$25,400, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 2/5, ft.
COZY ONE (f, 3, Slew City Slew--Cozier {SP, \$198,500}, by Copelan) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-2, \$78,958. O-Timothy Thornton & Foley Gregory D. B-Timothy Thornton (KY). T-Gregory D Foley.

8th-MNR, \$25,000, 12-30, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07 4/5, ft.
LOOSECANNONONDECK (f, 4, Bright Launch--Double's Lass, by Mr. Leader) Lifetime Record: 24-7-6-4, \$117,932. O/T-Adam Gerteisen. B-Hurstland Farm Inc (KY). *\$50,000 yrl '00 KEESEP. **Full to Launch a Double, SW, \$134,730.

7th-MNR, \$25,000, 12-30, NW2L, 3yo, 1m, 1:42 3/5, ft.
HILL TOP MAN (g, 3, Ordway--Hill Top Honey, by Bounding Basque) Lifetime Record: MSP, 6-2-2-0, \$48,874. O-Robert G Klimasewski. B-Westerly Horse Farm Inc (NY). T-John Progno.

11th-CRC, \$24,000, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:19 2/5, ft.
LA ROVERINA (f, 3, Concerto--Disorderly, by Out of Place) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-2, \$49,230. O-Chester A Bishop. B-Steve Tortora & Frank Moreno (FL). T-Frank Carlisi. *\$1,200 yrl '01 OBSJAN; \$13,500 2yo 2002 OBSJUN.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

American Thunder, c, 2, American Chance--Basqueing Beauty, by Bounding Basque. TPX, 12-30, 6 1/2f, 1:19. B-Terry Raymond (KY).

Esplendida, f, 2, Catillac--Beau Called, by Beaudelaire. SUN, 12-30, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5. B-Susie Byrd (NM). *SP.

Scarlett Memories, f, 2, Diligence--Marry Me Scarlett, by Dixie Brass. CRC, 12-31, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:07. B-M375 Thoroughbreds Inc (FI).

Jimmy's Instinct, g, 2, Distinctive Cat--Lucky Starlett, by Something Lucky. SAX, 12-31, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5. B-Applebite Farms (Ca). *\$14,000 wlng '01 BESNOV; \$43,000 2yo 2003 BESMAY.

He's a Lover, g, 2, Friendly Lover--Love Ticket, by Deposit Ticket. MNR, 12-29, 6f, 1:15. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA).

Wee David, c, 2, Gilded Time--Kryptonite (MSW), by Bionic Light. CTX, 12-31, 4 1/2f, :53 3/5. B-David Ahearn (NY). *\$80,000 2yo '03 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Galloping Gael (Lost Code), MSW, \$297,317.

Jinny's Gold, f, 2, Gold Fever--Nijinsky Dancer, by Upper Nile. TPX, 12-31, 1m, 1:39 1/5. B-Richard S Kaster & Frederick C Wieting (Ky). *1/2 to Dancing Water (Silver Deputy), MSW & GSP, \$197,401.

Miss Boundary, f, 3, Boundary--Emotionally (MSP, \$165,372), by Explodent. MNR, 12-30, 5 1/2f, 1:08 3/5. B-Donald David Drohan (Ky).

Kristofferson, c, 3, Dumaani--A Duchess for K, by Kalim (Ire). CTX, 12-31, 4 1/2f, :53 2/5. B-David Casanova (Ky). *\$4,200 2yo '02 KEEJAN.

High Forest, c, 3, Formal Dinner--All for Jeannie, by Track Barron. HAW, 12-31, 6f, 1:12. B-Sally J Andersen (FI). *\$15,500 yrl '01 OBSJAN.

Gardeness's Gem, f, 3, Miner--The Gardeness, by Write Off. MNR, 12-29, 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-Robert Gale (Mi).

Wild Force, c, 3, Ponche--Gemella, by Double Sonic. CRC, 12-31, 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Ocala Stud Farms & Karl D Koontz Revocable Trust (FI). *\$33,000 2yo 2002 OBSAPR.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Naples, 3.00, 12-31, €13,005, 2yo, 1 1/8mT, time: n/a, vhy.

ELYSEO (ITY) (c, 2, Close Conflict--Calagirgoli {GB}, by Inchinor {GB}) Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 2 wins, 4 places, €25,075. O/B-Scuderia di Garavichio SRL; T-Giampiero Ligas.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Saga (Fr), f, 2, Nombre Premier (GB)--Sokala (Fr), by Solicitor (Fr). Deauville, France, 12-30, Mdn, 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-Y & Mme Fremiot.