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HALFBRIDLED DRAWS RAIL FOR RETURN

Last year's champion two-year-old filly Halfbridled (Unbridled) will make her long-awaited comeback in the GI Santa Anita Oaks Saturday. The big filly has drawn



Halfbridled Benoit Photo

the rail in a deep renewal of the \$300,000 affair, where she will face fellow Grade I winners A.P. Adventure (A.P. Indy) and Hollywood Story (Wild Rush), as well as graded stakes winner Miss Coronado (Coronado's Quest) and highly regarded California-bred Silent Sighs (Benchmark). Jockey Gary Stevens has

the mount aboard the champ. "I've run against her and I've watched all



A.P. Adventure defeating Hollywood Story Benoit Photo

her races," said Stevens. "She's pretty straightforward. She's got a big old long stride and she's the real deal. My job is just to stay out of her way and point her in the right direction."

MASSCAP MOVED TO JUNE 19

Officials at Suffolk Downs have announced that the \$500,000 GII Massachusetts H. will be contested Saturday, June 19. The 64th renewal of the MassCap, which was last run in 2002, had originally been scheduled for May 29. "We know we are now in competition with the Stephen Foster [GI, 6-12], but feel we remain a viable East Coast alternative to shipping to the Midwest," said Suffolk Downs Chief Operating Officer Bob O'Malley. "We hope the purse and the history of the MassCap will enable us to compete with the Brooklyn [GII, 6-12]." Another factor in changing the race date was to distance it from the GI Pimlico Special, which will be held May 14.

ROAD TO THE CLASSICS

| Date | Race | Track |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Mar. 13 | GI Florida Derby | Gulfstream |
| | GIII El Camino Real Derby | Golden Gate |
| Mar. 14 | GII San Felipe S. | Santa Anita |
| | GIII Tampa Bay Derby | Tampa Bay |

TRIPLE THREATS

Minister Eric Finally Returns

Halfbridled's stablemate Minister Eric (Old Trieste) will also return to action Saturday at Santa Anita. He runs in the fifth race, a 6 1/2-furlong allowance/ optional-claiming sprint down the hill. The chestnut has not raced since finishing runner-up to fellow Richard Mandella trainee Action This Day in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Oct. 25.

PREVIEW

Saturday, Santa Anita

SANTA ANITA OAKS-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m PP HORSE SIRE **JOCKEY** 1 Halfbridled Unbridled Stevens 2 Salty Romance Smith Salt Lake 3 Miss Coronado Coronado's Quest Desormeaux Silent Sighs 4 Benchmark **Flores** 5 Hollywood Story Wild Rush Espinoza 6 A.P. Adventure A.P. Indy Solis

Stellar Jayne All carry 117 pounds.

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park

Vencedora Amiga Broad Brush

| FORWARD GAL SGII, \$150,000, 3yo, t, /t | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|------------------|--------|-----|--|--|--|
| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT | | | |
| 1 | Journey Fever | Gold Fever | Diego | 121 | | | |
| 2 | Madcap Escapade | Hennessy | Bailey | 121 | | | |
| 3 | Irish Melody | Unbridled's Song | Day | 115 | | | |
| 4 | Frenchglen | Forestry | Day | 115 | | | |

A.P. Indy

Formal Dinner

Wild Rush

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

La Reina

Wacky Patty

SWALE S.-GIII. \$150,000, 3vo. 7f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT | | | | |
|----|-------------------|--------------------|------------|-----|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Chapel Royal | Montbrook | Velazquez | 122 | | | | |
| 2 | Saratoga County | Valid Expectations | Bailey | 116 | | | | |
| 3 | Wynn Dot Comma | Struggler (GB) | Prado | 120 | | | | |
| 4 | Caiman | Malibu Moon | Boulanger | 116 | | | | |
| 5 | Dashboard Drummer | Alamocitos | Dominguez | 120 | | | | |
| 6 | Eurosilver | Unbridled's Song | Castellano | 120 | | | | |
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GULFSTREAM

Eye Dazzler Injured, Out of Future Wager: A knee chip has sidelined Lee Lewis' Eye Dazzler (Boundary), forcing the filly out of consideration for the GI Kentucky Oaks Apr. 30. Churchill Downs officials have suspended wagering on the three-year-old in Pool 2 of the Kentucky Oaks Future Wager, where she was listed at 50-1 on the morning line. "We didn't enter her in the Bonnie Miss [last weekend] because she came back a little funky after a workout," explained trainer Mark Hennig. "We watched her closely for a few days and finally found a chip in her knee." Hennig said that his charge would undergo surgery and would likely be out of training for 60 to 90 days.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m70vd, 1:43 4/5, ft.

BAISER D'AMOUR (m, 5, Whitney Tower--Mere Aggression, by Stiff Sentence) broke a streak of three straight runner-up finishes with a half-length win going 8 1/2 furlongs over this strip Jan. 29. A slow start in her next compromised her chances, but she ran on well as a 15-1 outsider to be third Feb. 18. A 9-2 chance here, the \$3,700 OBSOCT weanling and \$7,000 OBSAUG yearling lay in sixth through three guarters, commenced her run leaving the turn and was all out to assert by a head over Chase Gap (Hennessy). Lifetime Record: 21-5-7-2,

O-Bruno Schickedanz. B-J D Farms (FL). T-H Collazo.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 12:

03-21 \$500,000 Mervin H. Muniz Jr. Mem'l H.-II, FG, 4yo/up, a9fT (100)



TOMORROW, SATURDAY, MARCH 13:

03-27 \$150,000 Distaff Breeders' Cup H.-III, Aqu, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (100)

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7th-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 4yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5, ft. + PROVINCIAL (f, 4, Pulpit--Colonial Review {MSP}, by Pleasant Colony) worked a solid :47 3/5 from the gate in a four-furlong Gulfstream move Feb. 23 before making her belated unveiling here as a 5-1 chance. A bumping incident soon after the break left the dark bay well off the leaders, but an eye-catching move on the turn put her back in the mix. Asked for her best a furlong from home, she lengthened her stride and surged past Right Out Ro (Grand Slam) for the half-length win. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200.

O/B-William Acquavalla & Ogden Mills Phipps (KY). T-Claude R McGaughey III.

NEW YORK *

Yesterday's Results:

5th-AQU, \$47,040, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$65,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36 3/5, ft.

- 1--ELEGANT MERCEDES, 118, f, 4, Suave Prospect--Good Mercedes, by Mercedes Won. O-Sullivan Lane Stable, Trevor Williams & Vince Scuderi; B-Farnsworth Farms (FL); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr. Lifetime Record: 19-8-5-2, \$201,555.
- 2--Lavender Lass, 123, f, 4, Skip Trial--Lucky Lavender Gal, by Carson City.
- 3--Biogio's Beauty, 115, f, 4, Distorted Humor--Night Sparkler, by Pleasant Colony. (\$23,000 yrl '01 FTNAUG).

Margins: 5 3/4, 2 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 0.85, 2.55, 4.90. Elegant Mercedes has paid nice dividends for her current connections, who haltered her for \$45,000 out of a Belmont claimer last June. After another claiming win in August, she proceeded to knock off her first two allowance conditions, but faltered when tossed in to the GIII Chaposa Springs H. at Calder Dec. 13 and finished a well-beaten ninth. Returning to the allowance ranks, she ran second in a Gulfstream optional claimer Jan. 31 before returning to New York for this race. Rightly sent off the heavy favorite despite the scratch of entrymate Twist and Pop (Oliver's Twist), Elegant Mercedes rallied from a tracking spot and sprinted home a clear-cut victress.

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8th-AQU, \$45,000, Alw, NW3L, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. 1--ORATION, 117, h, 7, Deputy Minister--Existentialist, by Relaunch. O-Regina Brennan; B-Jamm, Ltd & W Lazy T, Ltd (KY); T-Donald S Reeder. Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-1, \$87,080. *1/2 to

Youbetterbelieveit (Kris S.), SW, \$138,551; and Governor Hickel (Gulch), MGSP, \$116,670.

- 2--Courting Concorde, 117, c, 4, Concorde's Tune--Pretty Prosecutor, by Court Trial.
- 3--Blue Skies Ahead, 122, c, 4, Sky Classic--Cally, by Salt Lake. (\$24,000 wlng '00 FTMDEC).

Margins: 3/4, 2 3/4, HD. Odds: 13.40, 4.30, 7.10. Oration, who was cross-entered in a Charles Town allowance event last night, scratched out of the right race and sprang the healthy 13-1 upset at the Big A. Trained by Bob Baffert through a lightly raced career, the seven-year-old returned from a 5 1/2-month absence with a new conditioner in Don Reeder, who sent out the veteran to an eighth-place finish in a Meadowlands optional claimer Nov. 8 and an improved fourth at Philly Park Nov. 29. A hard-fought victor in a NW1X at that track Dec. 16, he returned from a three-month breather as an outsider here. Oration was up close in a tightly bunched field, found room between foes at the top of the lane and dug in determinedly to get past the pacesetting Courting Concorde.

7th-AQU, \$**43,000**, **Alw**, NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

WILD CEE (f, 3, Wild Again--Cameo Performance {SW-Eng}, by Be My Guest) romped by 6 1/4 lengths as a first-timer against New York-breds Jan. 25, then ran a credible fourth in the Dearly Precious S. sprinting six panels over the inner on Valentine's Day. Here, the \$60,000 KEESEP yearling, sent postward as the evenmoney pick, made all the pace and edged away to notch the 3 1/4-length victory. Moochie Magnum (Open Forum), a 31-1 longshot, spruced up the exacta payoff with a late-running second. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$54,470.

O-Joan T Simpson. B-Questroyal Stable Inc, E & J Simpson & Wild Again Partners (NY). T-G Contessa.

6th-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, (S), 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:19, ft. SEND IT IN (c, 3, Mt. Livermore--Fateful Beauty, by Turkoman), a \$300,000 FTSAUG yearling, was well supported in his Feb. 22 debut over the inner track as a 9-5 chance, but was bumped at the start and forced to steady later on, finishing an excusable fifth. Losing the hood for this start, the overwhelming 1-5 pick dueled early after another rough start, then bounded away to prevail by 8 1/4 lengths. Eros (Distictive Pro) filled the place spot. Send It In's full brother David, MSW & GISP, \$403,920, campaigned by the same connections and standing at New York's Sugar Maple Farm, has his first runners this year. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,830.

O-Barry K Schwartz. B-Stonewall Farm (NY). T-Michael E Hushion.

* CENTRAL *

Steady Course Sidelined:

Overbrook Farm's **Steady Course** (Old Trieste) came out of her fourth-place finish in Saturday's Gll Fair Grounds Oaks with a condylar fracture of her left hind cannon bone, according to *Daily Racing Form*. "She's going to Kentucky for surgery," trainer Dallas Stewart told *DRF*. "They're going to put three screws in, and we'll see how she comes back. It's tough, but it's part of the game." The chestnut filly had broken her maiden Nov. 23 at the New Orleans oval and added an impressive, 8 1/4-length allowance victory Feb. 13. Making her stakes debut in last Saturday's race, she rallied from last to finish fourth to Ashado. Steady Course is a 3/4-sister to graded stakes winner Jump Start (A.P. Indy), who is standing his first season at Overbrook Farm.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th race at Aqueduct, a \$52,000 allowance. For pps and a complete race analysis, click here.

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Wednesday Night's Results:

9th-TPX, \$40,000, Alw, NW3\$9MX, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, N/A, ft.

PRIVATE HORDE (h, 5, Brunswick--Manila Rose, by Manila) had a breakout year in 2003, winning six of nine starts and earning a berth in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint based on his smart five-length victory in the GII A G Vanderbilt H. at Saratoga in mid-August. The bay homebred was shuffled back at the break and never figured in the Sprint, finishing ninth, and was shelved off the effort. Returning here as the crowd's 3-5 choice, he was in tight up the backstretch, but sprinted away once a seam emerged to win by a comfortable two lengths. Clayton's Trick (Phone Trick) was second. Private Horde is a half to Pricearose (Repriced), MGSP, \$276,218. Lifetime Record: GSW, 26-11-4-0, \$538,627.

O/B-Billy R Tucker (KY). T-S Joseph Cain.



SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Friday, Mar. 12

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

EXPELLED (Explodent), Albemarle, \$5K, 70/10/1
9-DED, Alw, 5f, Birdie Barrage, \$19K TEX AUG yrl, 4-1
FRISK ME NOW (Mister Frisky), Old Frankfort, \$5K, 41/4/0
9-DED, Alw, 5f, Suzans Love Report, \$8K EAS OCT yrl, 10-1
OLD TRIESTE (A.P. Indy), Dead, 112/13/2
7-AQU, Alw, 1 1/8m, Venizia, \$80K KEE SEP yrl
REAL QUIET (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 127/12/0
7-TP, Msw, 1m, Notquietforlong, \$7K FTK OCT yrl
TACTICAL CAT (Storm Cat), Overbrook, \$10K, 114/14/1
1-OP, Alw, 6f, Hollywood and Wine
VICTORY GALLOP (Cryptoclearance), WinStar, \$15K, 144/17/2
7-AQU, Alw, 1 1/8m, Gallop to Victory, \$92K OBS FEB 2yo

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Pleasantly Perfect Back on Track:

Breeders' Cup Classic hero **Pleasantly Perfect** (Pleasant Colony) worked seven-eighths in 1:25.60 at Santa Anita Thursday morning, outfinishing a pair of stablemates. The six-year-old had been forced to scratch out of last Saturday's GI Santa Anita H. after coming up with a fever. "I got him in 1:24 and change," said trainer Richard Mandella. "He went out a mile in 1:38 and looked great. Now I just have to hope it doesn't make him sick tomorrow. If not, he'll be on a plane Saturday to Dubai." The Diamond A colorbearer is scheduled to contest the G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 27.

Azeri Continues Comeback Trail:

Working like clockwork, **Azeri** (Jade Hunter) drilled a bullet six furlongs in 1:11.60 at Santa Anita Thursday. "She worked very well," said trainer D. Wayne Lukas. "That's about as good as it gets." The 2002 Horse of the Year, a two-time defending champion of the GI Apple Blossom H., is under consideration for this year's renewal of the Oaklawn contest Apr. 3.

3rd-SAX, \$56,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:36 1/5, fm. QUERO QUERO (f, 4, Royal Academy--Big Dreams {MSW, \$153,047}, by Great Above), little sister of dual champion sprinter Housebuster (Mt. Livermore), MGISW, \$1,229,696, won a Hollywood maiden by two lengths last May, then took the GII Honeymoon BC H. a month later. Shelved off that one, the \$55,000 KEESEP yearling returned to be fourth in the Audrey Skirball S. Nov. 23 and dropped in here as the 9-5 chalk. Caught behind horses in mid-stretch, the bay moved out and showed good speed to get past Jolie Rafaela (Brz) (Trempolino) by half a length. The victress is also a half to Maison de Reve (Mt. Livermore), GSP, \$181,183; and Yashima Japan (Forty Niner), SP-Jpn, \$994,891. Lifetime Record: GSW, 7-3-2-1, \$226,020. O-Old Friends Inc. B-John R Gaines Thoroughbreds &

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Greatest Game to Host Potential Investor Receptions:

The Greatest Game, Inc., an industry program which matches potential owners with horse racing insiders, will host a series of receptions in Maryland, Florida and Georgia from March 17-25. "These are part social events and part new owner recruitment opportunities," said the group's president Gay Fisher. "We anticipate doing several more of these receptions throughout the year in places like New York, California and Texas. In the past we have found them to be a valuable tool for bringing together our consultants with potential owners." The first reception will take place Mar. 17 at the Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, Maryland and will be hosted by TV analyst Charlsie Cantey and husband Douglas Davidson. On Mar. 23, a reception will be held at the new International Polo Club in Palm Beach, Florida and will be hosted by John Goodman, part owner of multiple Grade I winner Came Home. The series concludes with a Mar. 25 event at the Ravinia Club in Atlanta, where Nick Nicholson, president of the Keeneland Association, will serve as co-host with club member Steve Sansone. The Greatest Game was launched in 2001 with backing from the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, the Keeneland Association, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association and The Blood-Horse. The organization's web site is www.thegreatestgame.com.

Wood Memorial/Kentucky Derby Sweep

Gallant Fox - 1930 (Triple Crown winner)

Twenty Grand - 1931 (2 legs of Triple Crown)

Johnstown - 1939 (2 legs of Triple Crown)

Count Fleet - 1943 (Triple Crown winner)

Hoop Jr. - 1945 (two divisions of the Wood in '45)

Assault - 1946 (Triple Crown winner)

Foolish Pleasure - 1975

Bold Forbes - 1976 (2 legs of Triple Crown)

Seattle Slew - 1977 (Triple Crown winner)

Pleasant Colony - 1981 (2 legs of Triple Crown) Fusaichi Pegasus - 2000

Dancer's Image won the Wood, but was DQ'd from first in the Derby

Oxley Foundation Issues Challenge Grant:

The Tulsa, Oklahoma-based Oxley Foundation has issued a challenge grant of up to \$1 million to the Gravson-Jockev Club Research Foundation to raise funds dedicated to horse health and safety. Under the terms of the Oxley challenge, the Grayson-Jockey Club Foundation can qualify for matching funds of \$1 million over the next four years by raising \$250,000 annually in new contributions. "We are extremely gratified by the generosity of The Oxley Foundation in issuing this matching grant opportunity," said Grayson president Edward L. Bowen. "The Oxley Foundation supports a broad range of causes. It has been an annual contributor to Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation for several years, but this challenge grant is truly a major expression of support for our work." The Oxley Foundation has stipulated that its contributions will be earmarked for endowment, but has not placed that stipulation on how other new income will qualify for the match. The Oxley Foundation is a family foundation established in 1985. One of its trustees is owner/breeder John Oxley, who won the GI Kentucky Derby in 2001 with Monarchos and campaigned 1999 Eclipse champion Beautiful Pleasure. More information can be found on www.grayson-jockeyclub.org.







* FRANCE *

Yesterday's Results:

Saint-Cloud, 3.50, Cond, €29,000, 4yo/up, 1 15/16mT, 3:37.10, gd/sf.

FORESTIER (FR) (c, 4, Nikos {GB}--Forest Hills {Fr}, by Sicyos), successful in the Listed Prix Vulcain at Maisons-Laffitte last October, stalked the lead in third until making smooth progress on the outside with three furlongs remaining. The 39-10 chance challenged at the quarter-mile marker, quickened to the front nearing the eighth peg and lengthened clear thereafter to beat Le Carre (Miswaki) by a decisive 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: SW-Fr, 8 starts, 5 wins, 3 places, €72,500. O/B-Mme R J Wattinne; T-Eric Danel.

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Saint-Cloud, 2.20, Cond, €23,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:20.60, gd/sf.

PROSPECT PARK (GB) (c, 3, Sadler's Wells--Brooklyn's Dance {Fr} {GSW-Fr}, by Shirley Heights {GB}), third in the G3 Prix de Conde on his final juvenile start at Longchamp last October, was settled in a midfield fourth until making progress at the top of the stretch run. The 7-10 favourite was ridden along to challenge at the quarter-mile marker, was pushed to the front approaching the final furlong and eased clear in the closing stages to defeat Vaillant Prince (Fr) (Desert Prince {Ire}) by an easy three lengths. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €25,750. O/B-Wetheimer & Frere: T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

Winisk River (Ire), c, 4, Barathea (Ire)--Brisighella (Ire), by Al Hareb. Nad al Sheba, 3-11, Hcp., 1600m. O-Godolphin; B-P H Betts (Ire); T-S bin Suroor. *43,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT.

Mubeen (Ire), c, 4, Barathea (Ire)--Fernanda (GB) (GSP-GB), by Be My Chief. Nad al Sheba, 3-11, Hcp., 2000m. O-Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Gerardstown House Stud (Ire); T-E Charpy. *50,000gns yrl '01 TATOCT.

Feet So Fast (GB), g, 5, Pivotal (GB)--Splice (GB) (SW & GSP-GB, \$133,134), by Sharpo (GB). Nad al Sheba, 3-11, Hcp., 1300mT. O-Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Cheveley Park Stud Ltd; T-S Seemar. *MSW-UAE. **8,000gns yrl '00 TATAUT.

Scott's View (GB), g, 5, Selkirk--Milly of the Vally (GB), by Caerleon. Nad al Sheba, 3-11, Hcp., 2400mT. O-The Great Escape Partnership; B-Cliveden Stud (GB); T-Mark Johnston. *SW-GB. **21,000gns yrl '00 TATOCT.

Walmooh (GB), h, 8, In The Wings (GB)--Walimu (Ire), by Top Ville (Ire). Nad al Sheba, 3-11, Hcp., 1600mT. O/B-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; T-Allan Smith.

FOALING NEWS:

HISHI AMAZON, 13, Theatrical (Ire)--Katies (Ire) (Nonoalco)

Foal born Feb. 27, a filly by Awesome Again.

Will be bred back to Fusaichi Pegasus.

Owned by Masaichiro Abe.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Kv.

Accomplishments: Ch. 2yo Filly, Ch. 3yo Filly, Ch. Older Mare-Jpn, MSW & G1SP-Jpn, \$6,981,102.



MIDDLE EAST



★ DUBAI ★

Yesterday's Results:

MELBOURNE RACING CLUB UAE OAKS (Conditions), Dhs250,000, Nad al Sheba, 3-11, 3yo, 1800m, 1:51.51, ft.

- 1--TAMARILLO (GB), 121, f, 3, Daylami (Ire)--Up and About (GB), by Upend (GB). (40,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT). O-Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed al Maktoum; B-P D & Mrs Player (GB); T-M Al Kurdi; J-T Durcan; Dhs162,500. Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-0.
- 2--Festive Style (SAf), 130, f, 3, Fort Wood--Fanciful (Arg), by Ringaro. Dhs50,000.
- 3--Menhoubah, 121, f, 3, Dixieland Band--Private Seductress, by Private Account. Dhs25,000. Margins: 1 1/2, 8 1/4, 2 3/4.



Tamarillo
DRC/Andrew Watkins

Second in her first two career outings in England, Tamarillo broke her maiden at Nottingham third time out Aug. 20 before rounding out her juvenile campaign with a fifth in the G2 May Hill S. at Doncaster Sept. 11. The grey filly made two starts at Nad al Sheba in February, finishing fifth to the highly regarded Catstar in the UAE 1000 Guineas Feb. 7 before being a neck runner-up to colts in a Feb. 21 conditions race. Allowed to settle into stride in the early stages here, Tamarillo overhauled

Festive Style in the stretch to earn her second career victory. She is from the first crop of champion Daylami.

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Dubai Report cont.

DARLEY BALANCHINE S. (Conditions), Dhs130,000, Nad al Sheba, 3-11, 3yo/up, 1777mT, 1:48.70, fm.

- 1--GONFILIA (GER), 130, f, 4, Big Shuffle--Gonfalon (GB), by Slip Anchor (GB). O-Godolphin; B-Gestut Auenquelle; T-S bin Suroor; J-L Dettori; Dhs84,500. Lifetime Record: 10-4-3-0, SW-Fr, SP-GB; \$147,452. *Full to Gonlargo (Ger), Hwt 3yo at 7-9.5f-Ger, MGSW-Ger, GSP-HK.
- 2--Desert Glow (Ire), 130, f, 4, Machiavellian--Alumisiyah, by Danzig. Dhs26,000.
- 3--Special Parade (SAf), 134, m, 5, Elliodor (Fr)--Triumphal Parade (SAf), by Foveros (GB). Dhs13,000. Margins: 6, 1/2, 1 1/2.

Gonfilia was a perfect two-for-two during her juvenile campaign before finishing in the money in four of six starts at three, including in the Prix Saint-Cyr at Maison Laffitte last October. Out of the money in her only prior start this year in the Darley Cape Verdi S. Feb. 19, Gonfilia earned enough points here to collect the Darley Distaff Series. Following a clean break, the filly soon took command and cruised home an easy six-length winner over Desert Glow, with South African raider Special Parade back in third. "She has been working well and was working well after the Cape Verdi, so we decided to run in this," said winning jockey Frankie Dettori. "Running at the front seems to work and we just kept the tempo up to the line."

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-SAX, \$**52,000**, 3-10, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 4/5, fm.

SKYWALKER RED (g, 4, Skywalker--Beautiful Redhead {MSW}, by Flying Paster) Lifetime Record: 15-3-5-4, \$178,180. O-David Bienstock, Michael Parks & Charles & Sie Winner. B-Mr & Mrs Bart Heller (CA). T-Patrick Gallagher. *\$72,000 2yo 2002 BESMAY. **Full to Red Sky's, MSW, \$306,951.

3rd-GGX, **\$37,538**, NW1\$3MX, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36 2/5, ft.

A B NOODLE (m, 5, Alphabet Soup--Rasant {GISP}, by Assert {Ire}) Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 16-5-3-2, \$177,735. O-Amity & Bench. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Charles J Jenda. *\$7,000 yrl '00 OBSAUG. **1/2 to Thunder Blitz (Holy Bull), MGSW, \$462,450.

4th-CTX, \$37,500, 3-10, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:20, ft. NORTH BROAD (c, 4, Northern Afleet--Glamorous Broad, by Broad Brush) Lifetime Record: SP, 20-6-5-2, \$163,440. O-Terry W Socks & Lester Everetts. B-Sandra Willwerth (VA). T-Terry W Socks. *\$30,000 yrl '01 KEEJAN; \$75,000 2yo '02 OBSMAR.

8th-TPX, \$33,800, 3-10, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37, ft. SONNY'S LEGACY (c, 4, American Chance--Bien Jolie, by Lion D'Or) Lifetime Record: 22-5-3-3, \$91,247. O-Millennium Racing LLC. B-Wishful Thinking Thoroughbred Partners (KY). T-Gregory D Foley. *\$6,000 yrl '01 KEESEP.

5th-DED, **\$32,500**, 3-10, NW2L, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:29 2/5, ft.

SMELL'S A WINNER (f, 4, Rail--Judge's Lady, by Judge Smells) Lifetime Record: 15-3-4-2, \$89,412. O-Angelle Stables Inc. B-Jo Ann M Jacob (LA). T-Dale Angelle. *\$2,800 yrl '01 LOUAUG.

10th-FGX, \$32,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:45, fm.

SKIPAMISS (f, 4, Skip Away--Wise Action {GSP, \$128,095}, by Wise Times) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-1, \$76,985. O-Estrorace Com Llc. B-Barry R Ostrager (KY). T-Rebecca Maker. *\$20,000 wlng '00 KEENOV.

9th-FGX, **\$30,000**, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

STALKERAZZI (c, 3, <u>Tale of the Cat</u>--Haze, by Septieme Ciel) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$60,045. O-Mount Joy Stables Inc. B-Indian Creek, Mike Brown & Tom Hinkle (KY). T-Dallas Stewart. * \$40,000 wlng '01 KEENOV; \$85,000 yrl '02 FTKJUL.

8th-LRL, \$29,400, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000-\$28,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, ft. FRENCH JEANNETTE (f, 4, French Deputy--Fancy Sheba, by Alysheba) Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2, \$77,132. O-Michael J Gill. B-Land of Believe Farm, Inc (PA). T-John J Robb. *\$33,000 yrl '01 KEESEP;

7th-LRL, \$25,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, ft. DEVIL ON THE MOON (g, 4, Devil On Ice--Raise a Moon, by Chisos) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-2, \$48,395. O-Michael J Gill. B-Howard E Belvoir, David & Ann Perrigoue (WA). T-Phil Schoenthal.

8th-OPX, **\$25,000**, Opt. Clm. (\$45,000), C, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 3/5, ft.

QUEST FOR TRUTH (f, 4, Proudest Romeo--Questforperfection, by Quest for Fame {GB}) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-8-1-1, \$143,562. O/B-Dr Kalarikkal K & Dr Vilasini D Jayaraman (FL). T-Steve Hobby.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

\$100,000 2yo '02 FTFFEB.

Honey Hit, c, 3, Direct Hit--Honey Bell, by Fort Chaffee. DED, 3-10, (S), 5f, 1:00 4/5. B-Marc & Jill Winston (La).

Aly's Alpha Boy, g, 3, Devil's Bag--Aly Sara (SW), by Saratoga Six. AQU, 3-11, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:20. B-Sez Who Thoroughbreds (NY). *\$33,000 2yo 2003 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Kool Humor (Distorted Humor), MSW, \$219,800.



Iza Legend, f, 3, Iz a Saros--Bonnie Blue Me, by Rumbo. GGX, 3-11, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5. B-Gerald Evarts Redman (Ca). *1/2 to Iza Bon Bon (Iz A Saros), SW, \$338,766.

Steamboat Springs, c, 3, Menifee--Seattle Byline, by Slew City Slew. GPX, 3-11, (C), a1m70yd, 1:44. B-Gavin Murphy & Catherine Donavan (Ky). *\$110,000 yrl '02 FTKJUL.

Roll On Partner, g, 3, Partner's Hero--Rollingwood, by Baederwood. CTX, 3-10, 4 1/2f, :54 1/5. B-Dark Hollow Racing Partnership (Md).

Memory Man, g, 3, Woodman--Memory of Margit (Fr), by Kendor. SAX, 3-11, (C), 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds Llc (Ca).

The Looper, g, 4, Labeeb (GB)--Pigeon Pea, by Topsider. FGX, 3-11, a1 1/16T, 1:45 1/5. B-Mill House (Ky). *1/2 to De Bertie (De Niro), MGSW, \$485,920.

King George W., c, 4, Stately Cielo--Up Move, by Fred Astaire. SAX, 3-11, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5. B-Darwin Alfstad (Ca).

My Niner, c, 4, Tirade--Nile Venture, by Nile Delta. DED, 3-10, 5f, 1:00 1/5. B-R L Robertson (La).



WRITERS UP

OXX OUTLINES PLANS by Tom Frary

John Oxx, successful in two of the last four renewals of the G1 Irish Derby with Sinndar (Ire) in 2000 and Alamshar (Ire) last year, has outlined his plans for the forthcoming season. The Currabeg trainer now has Michael Kinane in place as stable jockey and will be looking to the likes of **Azamour (Ire)** (Night Shift) to keep him in the G1 spotlight. He said: "Our horses are fairly forward, they are fit and well and, in general, they are ready to roll. Our numbers are much the same as last year and last year's two-year-olds were a bit slow to come to hand but we have a lot of nice horses. Michael (Kinane) won't be back for the first meeting (at The Curragh Mar. 21) but he'll be back for Leopardstown (the day after the G1 Dubai World Cup)."

Azamour (Ire) (c, 3, Night Shift--Asmara, by Lear Fan) "He has done very well. He is a beautiful, rangy athletic horse. He has done terribly well and is a great athlete but he just needs to improve. He is rated 109 and that's about 10 pounds below Grey Swallow so he has got to improve. I don't put a lot of store on two-yearold form, they are just an indicator of promise, they are not an end in themselves. Sinndar was rated 105 and Alamshar was 110 so their rating may not mean a lot. What your two-year-old rating is, is never enough. If the ground was okay, we would be aiming to have him ready for the Loughbrown S. If the ground was heavy he may run the following week in the Guineas Trial at Leopardstown. He worked last Wednesday but it was a very wet morning and the ground was quite soft and he'd want it better than that."

Haratila (Ire) (f, 3, Marju {Ire}--Harouniya {Ire}, by Siberian Express)

"A nice rangy filly for later in the year. She won't run too early and she won her maiden at Tipperary (after finishing second to G1 Epsom Derby favourite Yeats on her debut last year)."

Treasure The Lady (Ire) (f, 3, Indian Ridge {Ire}--Kasora {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB})

"She is a half-sister to High Chaparral (Ire). I thought she was unlucky not to win the (Listed) Silken Glider S. last year, she is promising and from a good family. The family got better as they got older and she could be a possible for the (G1) 1000 Guineas at Newmarket (May 2)."

Hanabad (Ire) (c, 4, Cadeaux Genereux {GB}--Handaza {Ire}, by Be My Guest)

"A good sprinter, it took me all (last) year to find out that he was a sprinter. We ran him over seven furlongs and a mile eventually, when the trainer copped on he did well! He won a Listed race at the Curragh (Waterford Testimonial S.) and he has done very well. I hope that can go up the tree this year."

Sea Dart (c, 4, Diesis {GB}--Wedding of the Sea, by Blushing Groom {Fr})

"He won a Group 2 up the Curragh (G2 Goffs International S.) and he had a lot of soundness problems last year, but at the moment he is going fine. He has strengthened up well and he could be a nice horse."

D'Anjou (GB) (g, 7, Marju {Ire}--Rose de Thai, by Lear Fan)

"He has enjoyed the heat in Dubai and he has done well there. He has really thrived and he loves a left handed track. We don't get enough races for him over here and I end up running him at the Curragh which he doesn't like. Anytime I run him at Leopardstown he seems to run very well. He runs in a handicap (Mar. 11), he has top weight, it's not going to be easy for him. Things need to fall right for him, he needs a strong pace and needs to come from behind. Horses like him need a bit of luck. He has a couple of options on World Cup night and if he is fit and well he'll turn up."

FOALING NEWS:

MEMORIES OF SILVER, 11, Silver Hawk--All My Memories (Little Current)

Foal born Feb. 24, a filly by Street Cry (Ire).

Will be bred back to Aldebaran.

Owned by Phillips Racing Partnership.

Boarded at Darby Dan Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: MGISW of \$1,448,715.