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A LION IN THE TALL BLUE GRASS

As expected, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith's Lion Heart (Tale of the Cat) will skip Saturday's GI Santa Anita Derby and instead target the Apr. 10 GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keenland. Trainer Patrick Biancone's decision followed the striking chestnut's work at Santa



Lion Heart

Horsephotos

Anita yesterday, where he moved five panels in 1:01 2/5 under exercise rider Jean Claude. Lion Heart, winner of the GI Hollywood Futurity, was a game runner-up to Imperialism in his sophomore bow, the Mar. 6 San Rafael S. "He ran a very hard race in his first start

this year," Biancone explained to The Blood-Horse. "The Blue Grass is a better option for him right now because it gives us an extra week to have him ready to run. We don't want to worry about a bounce or anything like that. But he worked good this morning; nice and relaxed. I'm much more happy when he doesn't work too fast. We know he can go fast."

TRIPLE THREATS

Rock. Meet Hard Place

The promising but untested Rock Hard Ten (Kris S.), two-for-two in Southern California, made a case for himself as a candidate for this weekend's Santa Anita

Derby, ripping through five furlongs in :58 2/5 under Corey Black, jockey-turned-TVGpersonality-and-sometimesexercise-rider. It was the cosecond-fastest work of 42 at the distance. Providing the Jason Orman-trained colt comes out of Rock Hard Ten Horsephotos the work in fine fettle, he'll



tackle a more seasoned field in Saturday's featured event. "That's the plan," Orman told The Blood-Horse. "It was a real good work and I'm happy with how he's doing. If he's good [Tuesday] and good through the week, we're all set for Saturday." Triple Threats cont. p3

NEWSTODAY

SANGSTER HOSPITALIZED

Prominent Thoroughbred owner and breeder Robert Sangster has been hospitalized in London and is battling cancer, according to published reports. The 67-year-old inherited the Vernons Soccer Pools fortune from his father and registered his now-famous blue and green silks in Britian in 1967. Sangster has bred and raced more than 100 individual Group 1 winners. His 27 European Classic wins include two Epsom Derbys, three Prix l'Arc de Triomphes and four Irish Derbys. He cobred and raced preeminent sire Sadler's Wells and campaigned champions El Gran Senor, The Minstrel, Assert (Ire), Golden Fleece, Alleged and Detroit (Fr). In 1975, Sangster teamed with John Magnier and trainer Vincent O'Brien for the beginnings of racing superpower Coolmore. Sangster pioneered the practice of shuttling stallions between hemispheres and his three sons, Guy, Ben and Adam, run Australia's Swettenham and Collingrove operations, as well as England's Manton.

RESULTS

Sunday, Palermo, Argentina GRAN PREMIO CRIADORES-G1, \$45,000, Palermo, 3-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 2500m, 2:40.43, ft.

- 1--PERUGIA WELLS (ARG), 119, f, 3, by Poliglote (GB) 1st Dam: Perugia (Arg) (GSW-Arg), by Forlitano (Arg) 2nd Dam: Praxis Bell (Arg), by Snow Ball 3rd Dam: Panamera (Arg), by *Pappe II O/B-Haras Firmamento; T-J C Etchechoury; J-D
 - Ramella; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1.
- 2--Me Dear Lady (Arg), 119, f, 3, Mutakddim--My Gal Shall, by Believe It. O-Orilla del M.; \$7,500.
- 3--India Halo (Arg), 119, f, 3, Halo Sunshine--Ileana (Arg), by Farnesio (Arg). O-Parapokos; \$4,500. Margins: 2 1/2, 3, 8. Odds: 3.70, 5.40, 4.40.

Gran Premio Criadores cont. p2

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Gran Premio Criadores cont.

Perugia Wells, victress of last year's G1 Seleccion (Argentine Oaks), made a winning return to the races in her first start since a disappointing finish in the G1 Copa de Plata last December. Ridden confidently by jockey Damian Ramella, the filly set a comfortable pace, with favored Luna Local (Arg) (Equalize) a tracking second. The top two distanced themselves from the rest of the field down the backstretch and Perugia Wells set sail for home and an easy 2 1/2-length victory as Luna Local tired to a well-beaten fourth. Perugia Wells was winning her second Group 1 race and stamped herself as a major contender for the upcoming long-distance events.

Saturday, Hanshin, Japan

MAINICHI HAI-G3, \$480,990,000, Hanshin, 3-27, 3yo, 2000mT, 2:01.20, fm.

- 1--@KING KAMEHAMEHA (JPN), 125, c, 3, by Kingmambo
 1st Dam: Manfath (Ire), by Last Tycoon (Ire)
 2nd Dam: Pilot Bird (GB), by Blakeney (GB)
 3rd Dam: The Dancer (Fr), by Green Dancer
 O-M Kaneko; B-Northern Farm; T-K Matsuda;
 J-Yuichi Fukunaga; ¥43,343,000. Lifetime Record:
 5-4-0-1, \$838,679. *1/2 to The Deputy (Ire)
 (Petardia {GB}), GISW, \$817,787,
- 2--Shell Game (GB), 123, c, 3, Swain (Ire)--Chancey Squaw, by Chief's Crown. (FF500,000 yrl '01 DEAAUG). O-Takashi Watanabe; B-Runnymede Farm Inc. & Peter J Callahan. ¥17,098,000.
- 3--Meiner Makros (Jpn), 125, c, 3, Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)--Sakura Endless (Jpn), by Sakura Yutaka O (Jpn). O-Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Noguchi Bokujo. ¥11,049,000.

Margins: 2 1/2, NK, 2 1/2. Odds: 2.70, 1.70, 5.00.

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Mainichi Hai cont.

King Kamehameha, winner of the Sumire S. last time, tracked the early pace in third, swung wide to launch his challenge heading into the stretch, forged to the lead a 100 meters out and held the advantage all the way home. "It was an easy win," said jockey Yuichi Fukunaga. "I just let him concentrate on the race today. He is a very good horse and he deserves a shot at the Grade 1 level." The colt is likely to make his next appearance in the G1 NHK Mile Cup May 9 before a possible tilt at the GI Japanese Derby May 23.

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

MARCH S.-G3, ¥81,190,000, Nakayama, 3-28, 4yo/up, 1800m, 1:53.00, ft.

- 1--@EN DEHORS (JPN), 123, h, 5, by Brian's Time 1st Dam: Star Ballerina (Jpn) (GSW-Jpn, \$1,757,408), by Risen Star 2nd Dam: Berliani, by Nureyev 3rd Dam: Eleven Pleasures, by What a Pleasure O-Shadai Race H.; B-Shadai Farm; T-H Nagahama; J-M Matsunaga; ¥42,483,000. Lifetime Record: 16-7-4-1.
- 2--Precise Machine (Jpn), 127, h, 5, Mayano Top Gun (Jpn)--Be Silent (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. O-Seiichi Iketani; B-Shiraoi Farm. ¥17,138,000.
- 3--Agnes Arashi (Jpn), 117, h, 7, Sunday Silence--Eileen's Moment, by For The Moment. O-Takao Watanabe; B-Shadai Farm. ¥11,069,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2 1/2, NK. Odds: 6.80, 3.00, 15.40. En Dehors won an upper-class plate trial in January before recording his second straight win in the Miyabi S. two weeks later. Fourth in his latest try in the Jinsen S. Mar. 7, the bay went off the fourth choice to return to the winner's circle this time. Held off the early pace, En Dehors took over from pacesetter Precise Machine late and rolled home an easy winner.

CORRECTION... Two Links from the Dubai World Cup wrap-up in Sunday's *TDN* were incorrect. The correct pedigree links follow: Paolini Lundy's Liability (Brz)



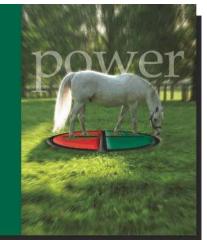
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🖈 TRIPLE THREATS 🖈

Nothing Halfway About Halfbridled's Work

Trainer Richard Mandella's Halfbridled (Unbridled) earned the bullet at Santa Anita yesterday morning when she nailed four furlongs in :47 1/5. Last year's juvenile filly champ is tightening the screws for Saturday's GI Ashland S. at Keeneland, a race expected to draw an all-star cast that could include Ashado (Saint Ballado), La Reina (A.P. Indy), and the exciting Madcap Escapade (Hennessy). La Reina also was on the track Monday, working a best-of-18 four furlongs in :48 2/5 over Keeneland's strip. Clockers caught the Shug McGaughey trainee galloping out five furlongs in a shade over a minute. Winner of the GIII Tempted S. at Aqueduct last fall, La Reina will be making her second start of the year after running a non-threatening runnerup to speedball Madcap Escapade in the GII Forward Gal S. at Gulfstream Mar. 13.

Birdstone Stretches Wings at Keeneland

Looking to rebound off a poor showing in the Mar. 20 GII Lane's End S., Marylou Whitney's homebred **Birdstone** (Grindstone) took a positive step Monday toward the Apr. 10 GI Blue Grass S., working six furlongs at Keeneland in a comfortable 1:15 2/5. The compact bay is being considered for the Blue Grass after the defection of stablemate **Eurosilver** (Unbridled's Song), whose training was interrupted last week when he came down with a temperature. "He's not a big horse, but his stride was incredible this morning," said Zito of Birdstone. "I was really happy with the way he went. If he works good next week, we'll stay here and run in the Blue Grass."

Pletcher, Back From Dubai, Sends Out 3YOs

Trainer Todd Pletcher, who was back in the States after saddling Alke to a runner-up finish in the G1 Golden Shaheen Saturday, sent out a trio of sophomores to their morning drills at Palm Meadows Monday. Value Plus (Unbridled's Song), second to Friend's Lake in the GI Florida Derby, sped through five panels in :59 flat in preparation for a tilt in the Apr. 10 GI Wood Memorial at Aqueduct. It was the co-fastest work at the distance, matched by stablemate West Virginia (Tomorrows Cat). GII Sanford S. winner Chapel Royal (Montbrook), a disappointing fourth in the GIII Swale S. in his seasonal bow, breezed four furlongs in :49 4/5.

11 Probable For Illinois Derby

The last two renewals of the GII Illinois Derby have produced Kentucky Derby winner War Emblem and top prospect Ten Most Wanted, and 11 three-year-olds are lined up to contest Saturday's running, all trying to establish themselves as legitimate Triple Crown candidates. Undefeated Song of the Sword (Unbridled's Song) beat GII Lane's End S. winner Sinister G in an Aqueduct allowance/optional claimer in early March and will attempt stakes company for the first time this weekend. He'll be joined by Pollard's Vision (Carson City), a solid third in the Mar. 7 GII Louisiana Derby, and Suave (A.P. Indy), whose winning time in a ninefurlong Gulfstream allowance on the Florida Derby undercard was two ticks faster than the feature. Also probable are Farnum Alley (Distorted Humor), Kilgowan (Smoke Glacken), O.K. Mikie (Michael's Flyer), Skipaslew (Skip Away), White Mountain Boy (Meadowlake), Pure American (Quiet American), Chrome Soldier (Demidoff) and Dancefortyniner (Roar).

Tiger Hunt Remains on the Shelf

Gauging the Illinois Derby as too much too soon, the connections of **Tiger Hunt** (Kris S.) will keep their charge on the shelf for the time being and wait for a more appropriate spot, reports the *Daily Racing Form*. "He's not ready to ship and run a mile and an eighth in that kind of company," explained Tiger Hunt's trainer Ralph Nicks. "We want to do what's right by the horse." Nicks noted the Apr. 10 Northern Spur Breeders' Cup S. at Oaklawn or the Apr. 17 GII Coolmore Lexington S. at Keeneland as possible comeback races for Tiger Hunt, who won the MGD Cradle S. last summer on his way to a fourth-place finish in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

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DUBAI WORLD CUP-G1, \$6,000,000, NAD, 3-27, 3yo/up, 2000m, 2:00.24, ft.

1--PLEASANTLY PERFECT, 126, h, 6, by Pleasant Colony
1st Dam: Regal State (G1SW-Fr, \$102,762), by Affirmed
2nd Dam: La Trinite (Fr), by Lyphard
3rd Dam: Promessa (Ire), by * Darius II
(\$725,000 yrl '99 KEESEP). O-Diamond A Racing
Corp; B-Clovelly Farms; T-Richard Mandella; J-Alex
Solis; \$3,600,000. Lifetime Record: GISW-US,
15-8-2-1, \$6,699,880. *1/2 to Hurricane State
(Miswaki), GSW-Fr.

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When Gerald Ford and Richard Mandella paid \$725,000 for a well-bred colt at Keeneland's 1999 September Sale, they surely had every right to think that their buy had all the makings of a Triple Crown contender. After all, the colt's sire Pleasant Colony had won the Kentucky Derby and Preakness in 1981 and his broodmare sire was Affirmed, who earned immortality by taking the 1978 Crown in a series of epic encounters with Alydar.

Stamina clearly wasn't going to be a problem for the youngster, and neither should he be found wanting for speed or precocity. His dam, Regal State, had become a Group 1 winner in August of her two-year-old season by taking the six-furlong Prix Morny--a race also won by her half-sister Seven Springs. For good measure, Regal State already had a two-year-old group winner to her credit in the shape of her Miswaki colt Hurricane State, whose win came over 6 ½ furlongs.

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The colt--Pleasantly Perfect--has since been described by Gary Mandella as "massive," but even his size didn't rule out his developing in time to make a Derby horse. Pleasant Colony was a tall, leggy individual who stood nearly 17 hands, yet he was precocious enough to rank among the top 12 juvenile males of 1980, when he won the GII Remsen S. It was a similar story with Pleasant Colony's substantial son Pleasant Tap, who also enjoyed stakes success at two. Affirmed, too, was fairly sizeable at 16.2 hands, but he packed nine starts into his juvenile season, which yielded the first of his championships.

So much for theory. In reality, physical problems hindered Pleasantly Perfect's development, starting with inflammation of the heart as a two-year-old. Consequently, instead of becoming a Triple Crown candidate, Pleasantly Perfect had managed only one start by the end of his three-year-old days.

Fortunately for Ford and Mandella, the record of some of Pleasant Colony's previous high-class performers underlined that Pleasantly Perfect was by no means a lost cause. Now, in winning major Grade I contests at five and now six, the Diamond A colorbearer has followed in the footsteps of such as Behrens, a Grade I winner and runner-up in the Dubai World Cup at the age of six; Forbidden Apple, winner of the GI Manhattan H. at six, after gaining his first graded success at five; and Pleasant Tap, who earned his champion older horse title as a five-year-old. Other examples include Sir Beaufort, winner of the Santa Anita H. at six; Denon, who maintained his Grade I-winning form to the age of five; and Pleasant Variety, who was seven when he took the San Luis Rey S. Even Pleasant Colony's good daughter Shared Interest didn't achieve Grade I-winner status until she was five.

Sadly, there won't be too many more names to add to this list. Although Pleasant Colony died as recently as December 2002, his stud career had effectively ended a few years earlier. Having sired 35 live foals from 54 mares in 1999, he failed to get any mares in foal in 2000 and was retired at the age of 22. In other words, his youngest offspring--including the talented Spanish Empire--are now four years old. *Cont. p5*

"HIGH YIELD was a \$1-Million-plus yearling, won three G1's at two and three and hails from an ever-improving family. He'd be our pick as Leading Freshman Sire of 2004."

RACING UPDATE, MARCH 26, 2004

ASHFORD STUD



Pleasant Colony is one of the Kentucky Derby winners whose stallion careers are assessed by John Sparkman in the latest issue of Pacemaker, the British magazine. A table of winners dating back to the 1925 hero Flying Ebony shows that only four Kentucky Derby winners have bettered Pleasant Colony's total of 75 stakes winners, these being Northern Dancer (147), Seattle Slew (108), Sunday Silence (104 and rising) and Affirmed (85).

Whereas Seattle Slew and Sunday Silence were each responsible for well over a thousand foals, Pleasant Colony achieved his admirable total with only 640 foals, which represents nearly 12 percent stakes winners. In his early years at Buckland Farm, Pleasant Colony covered books of only 40 mares until the limit was raised to 50 in the 1990 season. Had his book been larger, he would surely have become champion sire at least once--he was the only one among the top four stallions with fewer than 100 runners when he was runner-up to Danzig in 1992. Even so, Pleasant Colony struggled for respect in the sales ring, his cumulative yearling average standing at around \$185,000 to the end of 2001, whereas Danzig's figure stood at over \$450,000 over pretty much the same period. No wonder Sparkman concludes that Pleasant Colony's legacy isn't secure.

Pleasantly Perfect is presumably destined for Ford's Diamond A Farms, where he will have plenty of options thanks to a pedigree which has Raise A Native and Northern Dancer no closer than the fourth generation. He comes from the same female line as Sightseek's sire, the champion miler Distant View, whose dam is a half-sister to Regal State.

Although Pleasantly Perfect's dam is by Affirmed, his second dam La Trinite was by Lyphard, a neat, blocky son of Northern Dancer of the type which provided Pleasant Colony with plenty of success. He sired St. Jovite, Denon and Forbidden Apple from daughters of Northfields, plus the Grade II winner Colonial Minstrel from a daughter of The Minstrel and Behrens from a daughter of Mari's Book. But it wasn't just the smaller Northern Dancer-line horses which suited him, as he showed by siring the Belmont S. hero Colonial Affair and the Grade I winner Cherokee Colony from daughters of Nijinsky II.

TDN TODAY

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La Trinite, while not as good a racemare as her Grade 1-winning daughters, was still good enough to finish fourth in the G1 Criterium des Pouliches. Pleasantly Perfect's third dam, the 10-furlong winner Promessa, was a sister to an unusually versatile English filly called Pia. As a two-year-old, Pia began winning in June and went on to take the Cherry Hinton S. over six furlongs and the Lowther S. over five, yet her exploits as a three-year-old included a win in the Oaks over a mile and a half and a dead-heat in the Park Hill Stakes over a mile and three-quarters.

Pleasantly Perfect and Distant View aren't the only outstanding performers from this family, as Pia became the second dam of a remarkable English colt called Chief Singer. Although very big by British standards, Chief Singer made an explosive start to his career by winning the G2 Coventry S. on his two-year-old debut and only the brilliant El Gran Senor was rated above him at three, when he showed rare versatility.

With a background like this, who is to say that Pleasantly Perfect won't eventually secure Pleasant Colony's legacy as a stallion, provided breeders treat him with the respect he deserves following his magnificent victories over Medaglia d'Oro.

FOALING NEWS...

LOVELY AMANDA, 7, Belong to Me--Love Alleged (Alleged)

Foal born Feb. 29, a filly by Lemon Drop Kid.

Will be bred back to Forestry.

Owned by Robert Pierz & Peter McCann.

Boarded at Woodstock, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW of \$376,450.

PULSATILLA, 9, Gone West--Peggibonsi (Proud Truth) Foal born Mar. 1, a colt by Dynaformer.

Will be bred back to Mineshaft.

Owned by Robert Evans.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW.

BORDELAISE (ARG), 9, Espacial (Arg)--Maconnaisse (Arg) (*Keats)

Foal born Mar. 2, a filly by Maria's Mon.

Will be bred back to Silver Deputy.

Owned by Haras Santa Maria de Araras.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: GSW & MGISP-US, MGSW-Arg,

\$482,967-US.





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Yesterday's Results:

T-Christophe Clement.

7th-GPX, **\$36,000**, **Alw**, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 1/5, fm.

SPANGLED (f, 4, Kris S.--Bangled, by Alysheba) ended her juvenile campaign with a win in the 2002 Listed Criterium de Lyon and resurfaced a year later to take her comeback race last October, but had not started since running eighth in Longchamp's Prix Casimir Delamarre Oct. 26. Sent off the 8-5 favorite in her U.S. bow, the filly came from just off the pace to take the lead with a furlong to run and outlasted Dancewithasoldier (Lost Soldier) for a one-length victory. The \$230,000 KEESEP yearling is a half sister to Anklet (Wild Again, GSW & GISP, \$486,571). Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 6-3-2-0, \$55,585.

8th-GPX, \$34,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

KUANYAN (f, 4, Carson City--Plate Queen {MGSW, \$279,139}, by Pilgrim), a seven-length maiden winner at Monmouth Park last summer, returned from a sixmonth layoff and tired to third after setting the pace over track and trip Feb. 20. The even-money choice pressed the pace before drawing clear down the lane under a hand ride to win by 5 3/4 lengths. Elegant Edge (Wheaton) completed the exacta. The winner is a half sister to Gadzook (Meadowlake, MSW, \$168,271). Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, \$56,730.

O-Live Oak Plantation. B-Live Oak Stud (KY). T-John C Kimmel.

Saturday's Results:

2nd-SAX, \$46,000, Msw, (S), 3/up, 1mT, 1:36.26, fm. SOUTHERN OUTLAW (c, 3, Crafty Friend--Niece of Regal, by Regal Classic) was off slowly and closed to fourth behind Spellbinder and Wimbledon in his Dec. 29 debut, and returned to finish a late-closing third after a five-wide trip against state-bred foes Feb. 12. Making his turf bow, the 9-5 favorite rated off the pace while saving ground early, was four wide into the stretch and closed strongly to just get a nose in front of 10-1 shot Running Free (Soft Gold {Brz}) at the wire. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$36,942.

O-Mr & Mrs T Shapiro. B-T Shapiro (Ca). T-J Shirreffs.

* CENTRAL *

Yesterday's Results:

8th-HAW, \$38,080, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

AKANA (f, 4, Cartwright--Aladosious, by Spectacular Bid) closed stoutly to defeat state-bred company by 2 1/4 lengths in her Mar. 15 bow over track and trip. Dismissed at 9-1, the gray filly was last in the early going, angled out for the drive and swept to the front to win going away by two lengths over Royal Prize (Kingmambo). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$42,480. O/B-Mark Tripp (IL). T-Carmelo Mendoza.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31:

4-9 \$200,000 <u>Maker's Mark Mile-II</u>, Kee, 3/up, 8fT (200) 04-10 \$200,000 Connally Breeders' Cup Turf, Hou, 3yo/up, 9fT (0)

04-17 \$150,000 <u>Jim McKay Breeders' Cup H.</u>, Pim, 3yo/up, 9f (100)

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IN JAPAN:

Natur, c, 3, <u>Diesis (GB)</u>--Girchoop, by Storm Cat. Hanshin, 3-27, Novice Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$83,019. O-Koji Maeda; B-Shadwell Farm, LLC; T-Hiroshi Takeda. *\$15,000 yrl '02 KEESEP; \$50,000 '03 KEEAPR.

Eishin Marukamu, c, 3, Mr. Greeley--Sweetest Gal, by Honest Pleasure. Hanshin, 3-28, Renge Sho, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, \$260,094. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Spendthrift Farm; T-Yoshio Oki. *\$195,000 yrl '02 KEESEP; \$400,000 2yo '03 FTFFEB.

Hyper Delight, c, 3, Silver Hawk--Sayyedati (GB) (Hwt 2yo-Ire, Hwt Older Mare-Eng at 7-9.5f, Hwt Older Mare-Eng at 7-9.5f, MG1SW-Eng & Ire, G1SW-Fr, GSP-Jpn, \$1,383,707), by Shadeed. Nakayama, 3-27, Yamazakura Sho, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$183,019. O-Masako lida; B-Gainsborough Farm LLC; T-Hirofumi Toda. *\$12,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

Brad Barows, c, 3, Singspiel (Ire)--Dawn Ransom, by Red Ransom. Hanshin, 3-27, Plate Race, 10fT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$257,358. O-Hirotsugu Inokuma; B-Eurowest Bloodstock Services; T-Kazuya Nakatake. *GSP-Jpn. **\$160,000 2yo '03 KEEAPR.

+ Storm Fang, c, 3, Storm Cat--Hum Along, by Fappiano. Nakayama, 3-27, Novice Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$47,170. O-Southnia Inc; B-Pacelco S A & Chelston Ireland; T-K Fujisawa. *1/2 to Storm Song (Summer Squall), MGISW, \$1,020,050.

Eishin Hampton, c, 4, <u>Dynaformer</u>--Sedona Berry, by Strawberry Road (Aus). Hanshin, 3-27, Naruto S., 7f. Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-1, \$647,264. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Oakbrook Farm; T-Hideaki Fujiwara.

*\$380,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR.

Agnes Wing, c, 4, End Sweep--Tuesday Edition, by Gold Alert. Chukyo, 3-27, Plate Race, 5f. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$147,170. O-Takao Watanabe; B-Becky Thomas, Agent; T-Toshiaki Shirai. *1/2 to Sea Span (Valid Expectations), MSW, \$243,747.

Charming Kris, f, 4, Kris S.--Too Cool to Fool (SW, \$183,517), by Foolish Pleasure. Chukyo, 3-28, Atsuta Tokubetsu, 10fT. Lifetime Record: 15-2-5-2, \$324,434. O-Kazuko Yoshida; B-Morven Stud, Ltd. T-Hiroyoshi Mtsuda. *\$205,000 wnlg '00 KEENOV; \$295,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR.

Water Henin, m, 5, Boston Harbor--Scrape, by Mr. Prospector. Chukyo, 3-28, Shonaigawa Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 14-3-1-2, \$339,528. O-Ryoichi Yamaoka; B-Indian Creek; T-Inao Okada. *\$57,000 yrl '00 KEESEP.

Toyo Atlanta, h, 5, Cozzene--Gwedda (SP), by Gone West. Nakayama, 3-28, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 19-4-6-3, \$519,811. O-Toyo Club; B-James H Heyward; T-Hideharu Narishima. *\$95,000 yrl '00 KEESEP; \$300,000 2yo '01 KEEAPR.

Eagle Sword, h, 5, Sword Dance (Ire)--Heavenly Shadow, by Valid Appeal. Hanshin, 3-27, Chushun Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 23-2-3-3, \$651,792. O-Mie Sugiyama; B-William F & Annabel Murphy; T-Hidekazu Asami. *GSP-Jpn. **\$60,000 yrl '00 OBSAUG.

Shonan the Beach, h, 6, Irgun--Miss. Greinton, by Greinton. Chukyo, 3-28, Plate Race, 8.5fT. Lifetime Record: 12-3-3-2, \$389,717. O-Tetsuhide Kunimoto; B-Clarkland Farm; T-Hiroyoshi Mtsuda. *\$160,000 2yo '00 FTFFEB.



SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Thursday, Feb. 26

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A MAN OF CLASS (Carson City), Wafer, \$1000, 8/1/0
10-SUN, Alw, 6 1/2f, My Mega Man, 20-1
ARTAX (Marquetry), Taylor Made, \$15K, 143/6/1
6-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, Please Pay Artax, \$20K KEE SEP yrl
CHARISMATIC (Summer Squall), Japan, \$, 156/13/0
6-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, K's Charismatic, \$5K KEE OCT yrl
CRAFTY FRIEND (Crafty Prospector), Hopewell, \$8K, 172/19/2
9-PHA, Alw, 1m, Broadway Bernie, \$30K FTK OCT yrl, 8-1
EVENT OF THE YEAR (Seattle Slew), Golden Eagle, \$10K, 136/7/0

10-SUN, Alw, 6 1/2f, Expert Design, 8-1

FREE HOUSE (Smokester), Vessels, \$15K, 92/9/1

10-SUN, Alw, 6 1/2f, Free N Wild, \$26K RUI AUG yrl, 15-1

REAL QUIET (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 127/14/0

9-PHA, Alw, 1m, Real Town Guy, \$5K EAS MAY 2yo, 12-1

SAHM (Mr. Prospector), Shadwell, \$5K, 51/9/1

2-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, Double Didgit Baby, \$24K EAS OCT yrl

STORMIN FEVER (Storm Cat), Airdrie, \$15K, 141/19/1

6-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, Stormin Man



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BUMPY START FOR STEVENS Gary Stevens got off to an inauspicious start as retained jockey for trainer Andre Fabre at Maisons-Laffitte yesterday when he fell from Mountain Top (GB) (Zafonic) in the first race. Stevens, who had earlier spoken of his excitement about riding for "the greatest trainer in the world in my eyes," slipped from the full brother to Xaar (GB) exiting the stalls. Describing himself as "just embarrassed," he bounced back half an hour later to finish runner-up on Russian Beauty (Diesis {GB} in the second division. However, to add to the Hall of Famer's frustration, the winner Linguist (Ire) (Linamix {Fr}) also hailed from the Andre Fabre stable. "I said this morning when riding out for Andre I felt like an apprentice having his first day at the races," explained Stevens. "With what happened coming out of the stalls, I looked like an apprentice! It's new and fresh and exciting and I'm looking forward to learning the language--I'll be more comfortable when I can speak French."

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* FRANCE *

Yesterday's Results:

Salutare (Ire).

PRIX RIGHT ROYAL-Listed, €45,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 3-29, 4yo/up, 1 15/16mT, 3:25.20, sf.

- 1--LE CARRE, 128, g, 6, Miswaki--Dibs (SW, \$165,643), by Spectacular Bid. O-J R de Aragao Bozano; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; J-Christophe Soumillon; €22,500. Lifetime Record: 21 starts, 7 wins, 8 places, €173,945. *3/4 to Malmaison (Gulch), SP, \$219,441.
- 2--Risk Seeker (GB), 128, c, 4, Elmaamul--Robertet, by Roberto. €9,000.
- 3--Foreign Affairs (GB), 128, h, 6, Hernando (Fr)-Entente Cordiale, by Affirmed. €6,750.

 Margins: SNK, 2HF, NK. Odds: 1.20, 2.10, 13.50.

 Also ran: Grey Glitters (Fr), Bailamos (Ger), Terrazzo,

Le Carre graduated from handicap company to open his stakes tally at the first time of asking in the Listed Prix Scaramouche at Saint-Cloud in October. He followed up in the Listed Prix Denisy at Fontainebleau the next month and returned to finish runner-up to Forestier (Fr) in a conditions event at Saint-Cloud last time Mar. 11. Settled in a stalking fourth by Christophe Soumillon this time, the grey was angled wide for his run with Risk Seeker in the final quarter mile. As Foreign Affairs won his private battle with Grey Glitters (Fr) (Grey Risk {Fr}) on the rail, the duo in the centre of the track swooped to the front with 100 yards remaining and it was Le Carre who held the upper hand in the drive to the line.

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Maisons-Laffitte, 2.20, Cond, €23,000, 3yo, f, 6½fT, 1:22.80, sf.

LINGUIST (IRE) (f, 3, Linamix {Fr}--Persian Secret {Fr} {SW-Fr, SP-Eng}, by Persian Heights {GB}), fourth in the Listed Prix Yacowlef at Deauville in August, broke well and was sent straight to the lead by Anthony Carre. Joined by Russian Beauty (Diesis {GB}) inside the final quarter mile, the 8-1 chance battled gamely to hold that rival's persistent challenge and win by a neck. The winner is a half sister to Seba (GB) (Alzao), SW-Eng & GISP-US, \$112,552. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €15,600.

O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Andre Fabre.

* BRITAIN*

Yesterday's Results:

Newcastle, 4.10, Mdn, £5,515, 3/up, 7fT, 1:31.36, sf. ETMAAM (GB) (c, 3, Intikhab--Sudeley {GB}, by Dancing Brave), fourth in a Pontefract maiden in September, was sent off the 10-11 favorite. Breaking well, the €80,000 GOFORB yearling was soon at the head of affairs and responded gamely when pressed by Henndey (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}) inside the final quarter mile, asserting close home to record a two-length score. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,912.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Hawkers

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Hawkers Stud; T-Mark Johnston.

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IN JAPAN:

Dorubako (Ire), c, 3, <u>Danzig</u>--Spring Pitch, by Storm Cat. Chukyo, 3-27, Novice Race, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 4-1-3-0, \$111,321. O-Yoichi Aoyama; B-M P B Bloodstock Ltd; T-Hideyuki Mori. *140,000gns 2yo '03 DONAPR.

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Following a sluggish start Sunday, Monday's second and final session of the Magic Millions Gold Coast Premier Yearling Sale showed across the board increases in average and aggregate, which helped boost overall final figures to record heights. Gross revenue during the second day increased to A\$3,059,750 for 178 lots sold, while the average rose to A\$17,190. Topping yesterday's action was hip 556, a bay colt by Belong To Me out of the Diesis (GB) mare Magical Wand. Consigned by Strathden Stud, the bay colt brought A\$72,500 from the account of K. Tinsley of Queensland, "Overall, the interest in this sale has been very strong and the support of so many interstate and international buyers has ensured the successful outcome of this sale," said Magic Millions Managing Director David Chester.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:43 3/5, ft.

SILVER DOLLAR GIRL (f, 4, Bold Revenue--Kentucky Mist, by Drone) Lifetime Record: 21-3-2-4, \$88,866. O-Robert D Irwin Racing Stable Ltd. B-Thomas J Kutrovacz (IL). T-Robert D Irwin. *\$6,000 wlng '00 KEENOV; \$4,500 yrl '01 OBSAUG; \$30,000 2yo 2002 OBSAPR.

8th-MNR, **\$25**,000, 3-28, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41 4/5, ft.

MUTED (h, 7, Dixieland Band--Silent Turn {MGSW & MGISP, \$527,649}, by Silent Cal) Lifetime Record: 43-9-9-3, \$171,775. O-Panic Stable LLC. B-Maple Leaf Farm (PA). T-J Michael Baird. *\$70,000 yrl '98 KEESEP.

9th-PHA, **\$22,726**, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), 4yo/up, 7f, 1:24. ft.

BRING OUT THE BEST (c, 4, Helmsman--Patty's P. C. Cake, by Fight Over) Lifetime Record: 18-4-3-4, \$96,973. O-Charlotte C Polin. B-Debbe Wojack & Jackie Saide (FL). T-John C Servis. *\$52,000 2yo 2002 OBSMAR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cozzening, h, 5, Cozzene--Countless Affairs, by Storm Cat. MNR, 3-28, 1m, 1:44 3/5. B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd (Ky). *\$100,000 yrl '00 FTKJUL.



BREEDERS' EDITION **EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Maisons-Laffitte, 1.50, 3-29, €23,000, 3vo, c/g, 6½fT, 1:22.00, sf.

YAHSHUA (FR) (c, 3, Le Triton--Snadora {GB}, by Kendor (Fr)) Lifetime Record: 9 starts, 2 wins, 4 places, €28,900. O-M R Sebaoun; B-SARL Haras de Saint-Faust and Jean Biraben; T-Jean-Jacques Boutin.

ITALY, Rome, 4.05, 3-28, €26,775, 3vo, 1mT, time: n/a, sf.

GUGLIELMO TELL (IRE) (c, 3, Idris {Ire}--Spugnola {Ire}, by Law Society) Lifetime Record: 14 starts, 6 wins, 4 places, €68,850. O-Scuderia Ri Ma SRL; B-Villa Dosia SRL; T-Fabrizio and Luigi Camici.

ITALY, Rome, 4.35, 3-28, €26,775, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, time: n/a, sf.

BLU FOR LIFE (IRE) (h, 7, Rainbows for Life--Tinte Blu {Ire} {Hwt Older Mare-Ity at 9.5-11f, GSW-Ity}, by The Noble Player) Lifetime Record: G1SP-Ity, 62 starts, 13 wins, 23 places, €320,258. O-Scuderia Delta; B-F Mimmocchi: T-Roberto Mimmocchi.

ITALY, Milan, 3.50, 3-28, €22,950, 3yo, 6fT, 1:14.30,

EFISTORM (GB) (c, 3, Efisio {GB}--Abundance {GB}, by Unfuwain) Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 4 wins, 4 places, €33,065. O-Giuliano Mandredini; B-E Duggan and D Churchman; T-Mario Marcialis. *13,000gns yrl '02 DONSEP.

ITALY, Milan, 4.50, 3-28, €22,950, 4yo/up, 5fT, 59.50, hy.

SOPRAN FOLDAN (IRE) (g, 6, Danehill--Foolish Heart {Ire} {GSW-Ity, \$102,921}, by Fools Holme) Lifetime Record: Hwt Older Horse-Ity at 5-7f, MGSP-Ity, 38 starts, 13 wins, 16 places, €272,381. O-Scuderia Cocktail; B-Azienda Agricola San Uberto In Cerrecchia SRL; T-Bruno Grizzetti.

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ITALY, Pisa, 3.30, 3-28, €15,300, 4yo/up, 7½ fT, 1:29.60, gd/sf.

TEA GARDEN (IRE) (c, 4, Barathea {Ire}--Narwala {Ire} {GSW-Eng, GSP-US}, by Darshaan {GB}) Lifetime Record: SW-Ity, 15 starts, 4 wins, 4 places, €83,045. O/T-Antonio Peraino; B-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. *1/2 to Affidavit (Affirmed), Hwt 3yo-Fr at 14f+, MGSW-Fr, \$156,780. **4,500gns 2yo '02 TATJUL.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ Tara Tara (Ire), f, 2, Fayruz (GB)--Gobolino (Ire), by Don (Ity). Newcastle, Britain, 3-29, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-Roseanne Millett and Paul McEnery. *Full to Don Fayruz (Ire), MSW-Ity, \$133,838; and 1/2 Infinity River (Ire) (Definite Article {GB}), Hwt Older Mare-Ity at 14f + , MSP-Ity.

Dara Lodge (Ire), f, 3, Grand Lodge--Two Shonas (Ire), by Persian Heights (GB). Rome, Italy, 3-28, Cond, 3yo, f, 1 3/8mT. B-Austin Curran. *Ir£40,000 wnlg '01 GOFNOV; 25,000gns yrl '02 TATDEC.

Our Little Rosie (GB), f, 3, Piccolo (GB)--Villella (GB), by Sadler's Wells. Wolverhampton, Britain, 3-28, Mdn, 3yo, 1½ m(AWT). B-Biddestone Stud and Partner.

FOALING NEWS:

ADEL, 9, Strawberry Road (Aus)--Prankstress (Foolish Pleasure)

Foal born Feb. 28, a filly by A.P. Indy. Will be bred back to Seeking the Gold. Owned by Diamond A Racing Corp.

Boarded at Diamond A Farms, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW & GISP, \$204,336.

I BELIEVE IN YOU, 6, Pleasant Tap--I'll Get There (Copelan)

Foal born Feb. 28, a colt by Thunder Gulch.

Will be bred back to A.P. Indy.

Owned by Mace & Samantha Siegel.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky. Accomplishments: GISW, \$244,270.

LA FEMINN, 8, Memo (Chi)--Lila Finn (Mamaison)

Foal born Feb. 28, a colt by Dixie Union.

Will be bred back to Gone West.

Owned by Diamond A Racing Corp.

Boarded at Diamond A Farms, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW & MGSP, \$366,429.

VIA LACTEA, 11, Capote--Torrie Ann (Blushing Groom

Foal born Feb. 28, a colt by Jade Hunter.

Will be bred back to Smart Strike.

Owned by Winner Silk Inc.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Medalha Milagrosa (Miner's

Mark), Ch. 2yo Filly, GSW-Brz.