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SOPHS SET FOR SATURDAY'S STAGE

Two of Saturday's three major Kentucky Derby prep races --the \$750,000 GI Toyota Blue Grass S. and the \$1-million GII Arkansas Derby--attracted deep fields



Action This Day Horsephotos

when they were drawn yesterday. Along with the \$750,000 GI Wood Memorial, which will be drawn today, the races comprise the wager entitled Big 3 Pick 3. The 5-2 morning-line favorite for the Blue Grass is Grade I winner

Lion Heart (Tale of the Cat), who will be making his first start outside of California. The chestnut, who came up just a bit short to Imperialism in his 2004 bow in the GII San Rafael S. Mar. 6, won't have an easy task in this nine-furlong contest. "This is the toughest prep race in the country," stated trainer Patrick Biancone. Also coming in from the Golden State are champion **Action This Day** (Kris S.) and GII San Felipe S. hero **Preachinathebar** (Silver Charm).



Preachinathebar
Horsephotos

Unbeaten **Smarty Jones** (Elusive Quality) is the headliner at Hot Springs in the Arkansas Derby. The 7-5 morning-line favorite has drawn the outside in his quest to gain graded stakes earnings. "I



Smarty Jones Equi-Photo

love the outside, it's just fine," said trainer John Servis. "Smarty will be the last to load, and there's a good, long run to the first turn. He's got the tactical speed to get a good position." A number of vanquished rivals from Smarty Jones' victories in the Southwest S. and the Rebel S. are back for another go at the Pennsylvania-bred chestnut, but there are several new challengers as well. **Borrego** (El Prado {Ire}), runner-up in the GII Louisiana Derby, ships in from California. Team Valor's **Shadowland** (Distant View), a victim of a rough trip in the Louisiana Derby, will look to get back on track. **Fields, p3**

NINE LIVES

Facing her toughest competition to date, **Ema Bovary (Chi)** (Edgy Diplomat) ran her winning streak to nine with a victory in the \$175,000 Vinery Madison S. at Keeneland. Her skein, which began last March in the Soviet Problem H., includes a victory via disqualification in the Kalookan Queen H. on New Year's Eve. She captured her first graded stakes in the GIII Las Flores H. at Santa Anita Feb. 22. The bay sat a few lengths back as **Harmony Lodge** (Hennessy) and **Lady Tak** (Mutakddim) zipped a half in :44 1/5, then rallied five wide turning for home. She hit the front in midstretch and was kept busy while drifting in slightly.



Ema Bovary Bill Straus

"Sometimes races go the way you see them," said winning rider Roberto Gonzalez. "I thought there would be a speed duel and there was. She's a push button horse to ride." Harmony Lodge looked done on the turn, but battled on gamely to get second. A claim of foul against the winner was disallowed.



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Wednesday, Keeneland

MADISON S., \$175,000, KEE, 4-7, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23 2/5, ft.

1--**EMA BOVARY (CHI)**, 120, m, 5, by Edgy Diplomat

1st Dam: **Coqueta**, by Toy

2nd Dam: **Sherry M.**, by Rigorous

3rd Dam: **Darlin Butchie**, by Mohammedan

O-Richard T Beal & Lana Ramsey; B-Haras San Patricio (CHI); T-Larry D Ross; J-R M Gonzalez; \$108,500. Lifetime Record: GSW-US, 17-12-2-0, \$406,442.

2--**Harmony Lodge**, 123, m, 6, Hennessy--Win Crafty Lady, by Crafty Prospector. (\$1,650,000 2yo 2000 FTFFEB). O-Eugene & Laura Melnyk. \$35,000.

3--**Yell**, 116, f, 4, A.P. Indy--Wild Applause, by Northern Dancer. O-Claiborne Farm & Adele B Dilschneider. \$17,500.

Margins: 2 1/4, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 3.10, 2.20, 5.50.



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Wednesday, Oaklawn Park

FIFTH SEASON S.-GIII, \$100,000, OPX, 4-7, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42 2/5, ft.

1--@SPANISH EMPIRE, 118, c, 4, by Pleasant Colony

1st Dam: La Paz (MSW, \$175,431), by Hold Your Peace

2nd Dam: Classy Craft, by Crafty Drone

3rd Dam: Classy Stamp, by Outing Class

(\$500,000 wlng '00 KEENOV; \$400,000 yrl '01 KEEOCT). O-Jubilee Stable, Martin L Cherry & Twin Creeks Farm; B-John R Gaines Thoroughbreds & Twin Creeks Farm (KY); T-Steven M Asmussen; J-E M Martin; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 15-5-3-2, \$237,714. * 1/2 to Forest Camp (Deputy Minister), GSW, \$339,984.

2--Crafty Shaw, 122, h, 6, Crafty Prospector--Her She Shawklit, by Air Forbes Won. (\$130,000 yrl '99 KEESEP). O-Charles J Cella. \$20,000.

3--No Comprendre, 122, h, 6, Compadre--Sociologie, by Caro (Ire). O-Clarity Stables. \$10,000.

Margins: 1, NK, 2. Odds: 1.80, 1.80, 17.60.



Spanish Empire
Sunny Taylor/Coady Photo

Spanish Empire blossomed at Fair Grounds this winter, besting Tenpins to win the Louisiana H. Jan. 2 before running Olmodavor to 3/4 of a length when second in the GIII Whirlaway H. Feb. 1. He threw in a clunker when seventh to Peace Rules in the GII New Orleans H. Feb. 29, but was favored to get back on track here. Attending the pace while three wide, the dark bay tackled second choice Crafty Shaw in

the stretch and bested that rival late, securing his first graded stakes victory. "I wanted to give him a target," said winning rider Eddie Martin. "I didn't ask him for his best until the eighth pole. I stayed busy on him because he does have a tendency to hang when in front."

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☆ PREVIEW ☆

Thursday, Keeneland, post time: 4:45 p.m. EDT

STONERSIDE BEAUMONT S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo, f, a7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	She's A Rebel Too	Two Punch	Vance	30-1
2	Katestormedthebird	Out of Place	Lukas	20-1
3	Movant	Conquistador Cielo	Amoss	20-1
4	Halfbridled	Unbridled	Mandella	3-5
5	Sweet Vision	Southern Halo	Terranova	20-1
6	Victory U. S. A.	Victory Gallop	Baffert	3-1
7	Thisgirdontlaugh	Distorted Humor	Fojan	30-1
8	Wildwood Flower	Langfuhr	McLaughlin	5-1
9	Very Vegas	Storm Boot	Polanco	15-1

The tying-up episode that kept champion **Halfbridled** out of Saturday's GI Ashland S. might turn out to be a blessing in disguise, as she gets an easier spot here as the odds-on morning-line pick. Trainer Richard Mandella took the incident in stride, philosophizing, "I missed the Santa Anita H. with Pleasantly Perfect, and look what happens. He wins the Dubai World Cup." The imposing dark bay suffered her first loss in her seasonal debut, finishing second in the GI Santa Anita Oaks Mar. 13. But a half-mile bullet in :47 1/5 at Santa Anita Mar. 29 says she's sharper this time and she should return to her winning ways. Primary opposition figures to come from **Victory U.S.A.**, who was third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. Coming off a three-month break, she completed the exacta in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks and has a win at this distance. **Wildwood Flower** makes her first start under the tutelage of Kiaran McLaughlin, who is hitting at a smart 29 percent with horses making their first start for the barn. The filly gave a good account of herself when facing the boys in the Mar. 13 GIII El Camino Real Derby at Golden Gate, leading the way through honest fractions before tiring to fifth, beaten just two lengths for trainer Jerry Hollendorfer.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the GII Stonerside Beaumont S. at Keeneland. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](http://www.brisnet.com).



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Thursday, Oaklawn, post time: 5:29 p.m. CDT

COUNT FLEET SPRINT H.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Skeet	Dove Hunt	Holthus	116
2	Was My Case	Gold Case	Brennan	109
3	Beau's Town	Beau Genius	Norman	118
4	That Tat	Faltaat	Norman	112
5	Where's the Ring	Seeking the Gold	D K Von Hemel	111
6	Aloha Bold	Flying Chevron	Hawley	114
7	Shake You Down	Montbrook	Lake	121

Top sprinter **Shake You Down** burned a lot of money in his first try over this surface, finishing fifth as the 2-5 chalk in Hot Springs H. Mar. 21. Maryland-based jockey Ramon Dominguez will replace regular rider Mike Luzzi. "It was the owner's [Bob Cole] call," said trainer Scott Lake. "He felt it was time to make a change, and that Dominguez would suit the horse."

Friday, Keeneland

MAKER'S MARK MILE-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Freefourinternet	Tabasco Cat	Perret	116
2	Royal Spy	Peteski	Albarado	116
3	Burning Roma	Rubiano	Castanon	116
4	Millennium Dragon (GB)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Migliore	116
5	Perfect Drift	Dynaformer	Day	116
6	Stroll	Pulpit	Bailey	120
7	Perfect Soul (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Prado	116
8	Honor In War	Lord at War (Arg)	Flores	116
9	Needwood Blade (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Santiago	116
10	Hear No Evil	Carson City	Garcia	116

Friday, Oaklawn Park

FANTASY S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	House of Fortune	Free House	Solis	121
2	Slewy's Storm	Storm Creek	D'Amico	121
3	Elusive Diva	Elusive Quality	Valdivia Jr	117
4	Stephan's Angel	Crypto Star	Elliott	121
5	Miss Coronado	Coronado's Quest	Velasquez	121
6	Shadow Cast	Smart Strike	Borel	121
7	True Blonde Beauty	Proudest Romeo	Theriot	117
8	Yoursmineours	Belong to Me	Pettinger	121
9	Stellar Jayne	Wild Rush	McKee	117
10	Platinum Ballet	Skip Away	Martinez	117
11	Island Sand	Tabasco Cat	Thompson	117

CORRECTION: In Tuesday's *TDN*, the hospital where MGISW Excellent Meeting underwent colic surgery was erroneously reported. The mare was treated at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. We regret the error.

Saturday, Keeneland

TOYOTA BLUE GRASS S.-GI, \$750,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	Birdstone	Grindstone	Prado
2	Action This Day	Kris S.	Flores
3	The Cliff's Edge	Gulch	Sellers
4	Limehouse	Grand Slam	Santos
5	That's an Outrage	Quiet American	Guidry
6	Lion Heart	Tale of the Cat	Smith
7	Mustanfar	Unbridled	Migliore
8	Preachinatthebar	Silver Charm	Santiago
9	Breakaway	Silver Deputy	Albarado

All carry 123 pounds.

Saturday, Oaklawn Park

ARKANSAS DERBY-GII, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Borrego	El Prado (Ire)	Espinoza	118
2	Mambo Train	Kingmambo	Ramsammy	122
3	Shadowland	Distant View	Day	118
4	Every Advantage	Tactical Advantage	Borel	118
5	Purge	Pulpit	Velasquez	118
6	Tricky Taboo	Mazel Trick	D'Amico	118
7	Mr. Jester	Silver Deputy	Chapa	122
8	Hasslefree	Forestry	Doocy	118
9	Harvard Avenue	You and I	Court	122
10	Pro Prado	El Prado (Ire)	McKee	122
11	Smarty Jones	Elusive Quality	Elliott	122

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Ready for Action

Champion **Action This Day** (Kris S.) tuned up for Saturday's GI Blue Grass S. with a half-mile move in :48 3/5 at Keeneland yesterday morning. "It's good that he's settling down now," trainer Richard Mandella told *Thoroughbred Times*. "He makes up ground quickly; he has a big, strong stride." The bay will be looking to bounce back from an unplaced effort in the GI San Felipe S. Mar. 15, in which he incurred a cut requiring stitches.

Kentucky-Bound Rock Hard Ten in Limbo

Though a lack of graded earnings may cost GI Santa Anita Derby third-place finisher **Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.) a spot in the GI Kentucky Derby, trainer Jason Orman will ship his charge to Kentucky and hope for the best. "I think we're going to leave Friday," Orman said. "We don't plan to run before the Derby [in an attempt to gain earnings]. The disqualification [from second to third in the Santa Anita Derby, costing \$60,000 in earnings] really hurt us bad." Rock Hard Ten's indefinite Derby plans, explained Orman, also leaves the colt in limbo in terms of a jockey. Gary Stevens, now riding for Andre Fabre in France, guided the colt to victory in his first two starts, but was replaced by David Flores when Stevens was unable to make the trip back from France for the Santa Anita Derby. "I guess Gary is obliged to come back from Europe to ride the horse in the Derby, but I don't know. How do we tell him to come back? We don't know if we're in. He's got other commitments to make. It's just a bad deal."

Zito's Royal Assault to Wood

Recent Hall of Fame nominee Nick Zito has announced his intentions of running Tracy Farmer's lightly raced **Royal Assault** (Kris S.) in Saturday's GI Wood Memorial at Aqueduct. The chestnut, a first-out winner at Gulfstream in January, finished third to fellow Wood runner **Value Plus** (Unbridled's Song) in a Valentine's Day allowance race and runner-up to Suave at the same level Mar. 13. "We got started with this horse late, mainly because of maturity, but also because Mr. Farmer also bred this horse and wants to take his time," said Zito. "But this horse has developed by leaps and bounds. The Wood is a tough race, as always, but it will give us a chance to see where we're at. I don't want to jinx myself, but I think this is a legitimate Belmont horse. So, we have to see what he's capable of doing. This horse lost to Value Plus, but that was at seven-eighths. It is a whole different ballgame now."

Back in the Hunt

Team Valor's **Tiger Hunt** (Kris S.) will make his long-awaited three-year-old debut in Saturday's one-mile Northern Spur S. at Oaklawn. Plans to run the three-year-old--off since a fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile--in the Rebel S. were scrapped when he came down with a fever and missed several days of training. But he has worked well since, posting a bullet half in :47 1/5 Monday morning in his final major move ahead of the Northern Spur. "[Trainer Ralph Nicks] got him in :46 3/5]," Team Valor president Barry Irwin said of that drill. "He's training so well. This race is a good starting point for him." Irwin will await Saturday's result before setting a future course for Tiger Hunt. "We're trying not to look ahead," he said.

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O-Bruce Lunsford; B-Needham/Betz Thoroughbreds & James Blackburn (KY); T-Frank Brothers
Sold Keeneland September 2002 for \$160,000; Earnings now \$479,200
Consigned by Needham Betz Hanley LLC, Agent; Purchased by Frank Brothers, Agent

POLLARD'S VISION, winner of the April 3 Illinois Derby (GII)

O-Edgewood Farm; B-Charles A. Smith (KY); T-Todd Pletcher
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United Way Celebrates Volunteer Week at Keeneland:

As part of National Volunteer Week, United Way of the Bluegrass will celebrate its mission and its volunteers Apr. 21 with a series of events at Keeneland and, in appreciation of the many contributions United Way makes to the central Kentucky community, Keeneland is donating all general admission proceeds that day to the philanthropic agency. As a bonus to racing fans at Keeneland on Apr. 21, several businesses who actively support United Way are donating prizes that will be given away by random drawing after each race.

Half to Golden Missile Makes Debut:

Pino Alto (Deputy Minister), a half brother to multi-millionaire Golden Missile (A.P. Indy), will make his career debut in today's fourth race at Keeneland, a seven-furlong maiden for three-year-olds. He is the fourth foal from the multiple graded stakes winner Santa Catalina (Cure the Blues), who was acquired by Angus Glen Farm for \$1.35 million in 1999 while in foal to A.P. Indy. Pino Alto failed to meet his reserve at \$285,000 as a Keeneland September yearling, and will make his bow in Angus Glen's orange and turquoise colors. Brice Blanc has the mount for trainer Roger Attfield; the duo will break from post 10.

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Yesterday's Results:

9th-KEE, \$53,900, Alw, NW3X, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:27 4/5, fm.

1--**ART VARIETY (BRZ), 116, h, 6, Pleasant Variety--La Belle Celina (Brz), by Ghadeer (Fr).** O-Team Victory II; B-Fazenda Mondesir (BRZ); T-Kenneth G McPeck. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Brz, GSP-US, 19-4-2-5, \$157,211. *Full to Tiptronic (Brz), GSW & G1SP-Brz; 1/2 to Viernes (Brz) (Roy), GSW & G1SP-Brz, SW-US.
2--**In Hand, 118, c, 4, Belong to Me--Summer Fantasy, by Summer Squall.** (\$130,000 yrl '01 KEESEP).
3--**Grand (Ire), 116, c, 4, Grand Lodge--Easy Pop (Ire), by Shernazar (Ire).**

Margins: NK, HF, 3/4. Odds: 4.60, 2.50, 5.60.

Art Variety finished first but was disqualified to third from a start at this distance in the GIII Kentucky Cup Turf H. at Kentucky Downs last September and returned from a three-month layoff to run fifth over the Gulfstream turf Mar. 4. The bay dropped back to last, was ridden to contention with a half mile to run, circled the field eight wide into the lane and just got up for the victory.

7th-KEE, \$55,400, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 1/5, fm.

LITERACY (f, 4, Diesis {GB})--Tuviah, by Eastern Echo), unraced since a handicap win at Nottingham last October for trainer Clive Brittain, was dismissed at 37-1 in her first North American outing. The bay filly hopped at the start and was slow into stride, but rushed up into contention, swept out five wide for the drive and just missed catching 28-1 outsider Modena Bay (NZ) (Volksraad {GB}) by a nose, but was bumped by that rival in the final stride. Modena Bay was disqualified from first and placed second, giving Literacy the victory. Literacy was an \$80,000 KEENOV weanling and \$105,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-0, \$24,941.

O-John S Pregman Jr & Gerald Goodman. B-Syd Belzberg & Budget Stable (KY). T-John S Pregman Jr.

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4-15	BM	San Francisco Breeders' Cup Mile (GII)	3yo/up, 1mT	\$150,000	4-24

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6th-KEE, \$53,515, Alw, NW2L, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:18, ft.
TIGER HEART (c, 3, Scatmandu--No Small Miracle, by Silver Deputy), a maiden winner sprinting six furlongs at Churchill last fall, missed by just a nose in his sophomore debut over 1 1/16 miles at Gulfstream Jan. 24 before finishing 5 1/2 lengths behind GI Wood Memorial hopeful Eddington when second in a Feb. 28 allowance at that same distance. Turning back to a sprint, the chestnut colt vied for the early lead, turned back the challenge of Risky Trick (Clever Trick) leaving the backstretch and drew clear down the lane to score by two lengths as the 3-5 favorite. Risky Trick just held on for second over Nightlfeatbigblue (Formal Gold). Tiger Heart was a \$32,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$150,000 FTKJUL yearling. Lifetime Record: 5-2-3-0, \$83,396.
 O-Buckram Oak Farm. B-Audubon Farm (KY). T-Kenneth G McPeek.

4th-KEE, \$50,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:24 1/5, ft.
WICKED WISH (f, 3, Gold Case--Holy Wish, by Lord At War {Arg}), a \$28,000 WIMJUL yearling, started slowly but finished strongly to miss by just a neck when runner-up in her Mar. 14 debut at Oaklawn Park. The 8-5 favorite battled on the front end early, kicked clear leaving the backstretch and stormed home an 11-length winner. Heartbreaker (Stormin Fever) was second. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$37,470.
 O-Thorndale Stable LLC. B-Wimborne Farm, Inc (KY). T-Jesse N Wigginton.

★ GULFSTREAM ★

Yesterday's Results:
1st-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 3f, :34 1/5, ft.
+ ALL THIS 'N CHANGE (f, 2, Mister Jolie--Sparkling Speed, by Entropy), dismissed at 27-1 in her bow, went right to the lead despite drifting out after the start and, after swerving in leaving the chute, held on late under a vigorous hand ride. Memories of Pa (Kelly Kip) was a head back in second. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200.
 O-Georgie Yates. B-Carol & Georgie Yates (FL). T-Michael Yates.

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Yesterday's Results:
8th-AQU, \$47,040, Alw, NW3X, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:48 1/5, ft.
1--KISSIN SAINT, 118, c, 4, Kissin Kris--Saintly Speaking, by Dahar. O-Peter Karches & Michael Rankowitz; B-John Franks (FL); T-Lisa L Lewis. Lifetime Record: GISP, 12-4-1-3, \$206,910. *1/2 to Golden Saint (Gold Alert), SW, \$176,929.
2--Rogue Agent, 115, g, 5, Anjiz--Ruler's Storm, by Irish Ruler. (\$10,000 yrl '00 FTMOCT).
3--Aventura Place, 118, c, 4, Miswaki--Star Jolie, by John Alden.
 Margins: 3/4, 13, 1 3/4. Odds: 3.20, 0.70, 12.50.
 After being claimed for \$50,000 in January '03, Kissin Saint went on to win three in a row before finishing third behind Empire Maker and Funny Cide in the GI Wood Memorial at this track and trip last spring. He missed by just a head racing nine furlongs over Aqueeduct's inner track in a Mar. 7 allowance last time out. Second choice in the field of five, Kissin Saint was never far back, rallied three wide into the stretch and reeled in Rogue Agent late for the 3/4-length victory.

7th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.
COLOGNY (f, 4, Go for Gin--C. J.'s Sister, by *Slady Castle), claimed for \$25,000 from a Feb. 11 win three back, missed by just a neck in a Feb. 20 allowance in his first start for the new connections before another runner-up finish over a sloppy track Mar. 6. The 2-1 shot battled Primary Colors (Premiership) for the lead and was briefly passed by that rival in the stretch, but fought back to eke out a nose win. The winner, a \$40,000 KEESEP yearling, is a 3/4-sister to Keep It S.S. (Cormorant, SW, \$113,394) and a half to Selective (Mi Selecto, MSW & GSP, \$309,060). Lifetime Record: 22-6-3-4, \$178,840.
 O-Evan Gewirtz. B-Dr Jerry Bilinski, Martin Zaretsky & Joseph Cornacchia (NY). T-Scott A Lake.

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5th-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:51 4/5, ft. VICTORY CIRCLE (c, 3, [Victory Gallop](#)--Loa {SW, \$153,271}, by *Hawaii) was beaten 18 lengths when sprinting in his Feb. 21 debut at Gulfstream and improved to fourth when trying this distance second time out in Florida Mar. 13. Sent off the 3-5 favorite, the bay was allowed to settle well of the pace after being bumped at the start. He moved into contention on the final bend and closed stoutly to just get up to best Bandit Nailhead (Siphon {Brz}) by a head. The \$60,000 KESEP is a half brother to Eagleton (Majestic Light, MGSW, \$719,550). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$26,800. O-Flying Zee Stable. B-Audley Farms (VA). T-P Serpe.

1st-SAX, \$39,024, Msw, 2yo, f, 2f, :21 1/5, ft. DOUBLE D APPEAL (f, 2, [Successful Appeal](#)--Wicked Diablo, by Diablo), a \$120,000 OBSFEB two-year-old, missed the break, but finished strongly to run third in her Mar. 24 debut. The 6-5 favorite chased the pace-setter before taking charge in the final strides to win by a head over 7-5 Rents Due (Renteria). Double D Appeal is the first winner for her multiple graded stakes winning freshman sire (by Valid Appeal). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$25,920. O-Rusty Brown, Phillip Lebherz & Richard Meister. B-McKathan Farms (FL). T-Jeff Bonde.

★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-OPX, \$33,500, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44 4/5, ft. SMOKEY DIPLOMACY (f, 3, [Dynaformer](#)--Attractive Missile, by Relaunch), a \$60,000 KESEP yearling, attended the pace in her six-furlong debut, but couldn't keep up late and finished third at Fair Grounds Feb. 7. Going wire-to-wire in her turf and route debut in New Orleans, she returned to the main track here as the 9-5 pick. The gray was once again sent for the lead, set measured fractions from the rail, rebuffed the challenge of Outright Buck (Kissin Kris) and won by a half length. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$39,980. O-Nolan Creek Farm & Diane Connell. B-Burning Daylight Farms, Inc (KY). T-Larry Robideaux Jr.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-SAX, \$49,882, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. HIGHEST HONOREE (f, 3, [Double Honor](#)--Horseshoe Peak, by Olympio), a solid performer in the Calder claiming ranks, transferred to Santa Anita and won at the \$62,500 level Jan. 28. The chestnut then tried the turf and ran a bang-up fourth, beaten 1 3/4 lengths in an optional claimer Mar. 12, but was let go at 12-1. After stalking the pace, the Florida-bred hit the front in the stretch before being headed by Ugotadewhatugotado (Jazzing Around), fighting back bravely to win by a nose. Favored Rahy Dolly (Rahy) backed out of it to run sixth. Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-1, \$100,740. O-Patricia & Stephen Fitzpatrick. B-Farnsworth Farms (FL). T-Vladimir Cerin.

★ WEST ★

Yesterday's Results:

5th-BMX, \$29,725, Msw, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:03 3/5, ft. MARLA BAY (f, 3, [Skip Away](#)--Coesse Gold, by Seeking the Gold), third by 5 1/2 lengths in her Feb. 28 unveiling after ducking in at the start, recovered quickly from a slow break and rallied through the lane to win by a length over longshot Tialinga (Tialinga). The victress was a \$30,000 FTKJUL yearling and \$70,000 BESMAY two-year-old. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$18,830. O-Chaiken Family Trust. B-Dr Donald Dreyfuss & Skip Away Syndicate (KY). T-William J Morey Jr.



First-time starters/stakes runners: Thursday, Apr. 8

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)
EPIC HONOR (Honor Grades), Blooming Hill, \$2K, 36/4/0 3-BM, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Epic Power
EXPELLED (Exploident), Albemarle, \$5K, 70/10/1 2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Josie'scountrygirl, \$5K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
MALIBU MOON (A.P. Indy), Castleton Lyons, \$3K, 123/14/2 1-SA, Msw, 2f, +Lower Shore, \$30K EAS SEP yrl
OLD TRIESTE (A.P. Indy), Dead, \$, 112/13/2 4-KEE, Msw, 7f, Honolua Storm, \$55K KEE SEP yrl, 3-1
REAL QUIET (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 127/14/0 4-KEE, Msw, 7f, Streamline, \$110K FTK JUL yrl, 7-2
RENERIA (Incinderator), High Horse, \$1000, 28/2/0 1-SA, Msw, 2f, Semi Queen
SILVER CHARM (Silver Buck), Three Chimneys, \$25K, 150/23/1 2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Silver Kitty, 15-1
TRICKY MISTER (Phone Trick), Foxwatcher, \$500, 18/1/0 2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Dressed for Succes, 7-2
VICTORY GALLOP (Cryptoclearance), WinStar, \$15K, 144/19/2 8-KEE, Stk, 7f, Victory U. S. A., \$525K FTF FEB 2yo, 3-1

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Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2001 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW

Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- CAT POWER** (Storm Cat), RC, \$750, 14/0/0
2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Chloe's Cat, 20-1
- 2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Red Millenium, 20-1
- CATIENUS** (Storm Cat), Highcliff, \$4K, 47/0/0
2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Lisa's Cat, 9-2
- CHIEF SEATTLE** (Seattle Slew), Spendthrift, \$10K, 64/0/0
2-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Bold Outlook, \$400K OBS FEB 2yo, 4-1
- GEN STORMIN'NORMAN** (Storm Cat), Jeh, \$2K, 5/0/0
1-SA, Msw, 2f, +Capt. Mc Craiger, \$15K TEX AUG yrl
- LION HEARTED** (Storm Cat), NorthView, \$5K, 47/0/0
3-AQU, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Chocolate Brown
- LITTLEBITLIVELY** (Lively One), Franks, \$4K, 46/0/0
1-SA, Msw, 2f, +Littlebitofzip, \$30K BAR MAR 2yo
- MUQTARIB** (Gone West), Valley Creek, \$4K, 20/0/0
1-SA, Msw, 2f, Gone Western
- ROBB** (Strawberry Road {Aus}), Beau Ridge, \$500, 9/0/0
3-AQU, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Strawberry Treat
- THE DEPUTY (IRE)** (Petardia {GB}), Margaux, \$8K, 47/0/0
3-AQU, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Deputy Festes, \$15K KEE SEP yrl
- VICAR** (Wild Again), Darby Dan, \$10K, 61/0/0
1-SA, Msw, 2f, +Viva El Vicar, \$35K BAR MAR 2yo

★ **BRITAIN** ★

HUGE INCREASES AT DONNY

Huge gains at America's premier breeze-ups were also evident in Europe yesterday as Doncaster's version kicked off with increases across the board. [Hip 65](#), Mocklershill Stables' Diesis (GB) colt out of a half-sister to G1 Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) runner-up Solid Illusion, was the star of the opening session when purchased by Howard Johnson for 90,000 guineas. That trainer, whose Northern base has seen an injection of class due to the big-spending exploits of local businessman Graham Wylie, was also responsible for the session's second top price of 80,000 guineas for Kirriemuir Stud's [hip 87](#), the King of Kings (Ire) colt out of the stakes-placed Vena (Ire). Among the fillies, Knockatrina Stud's [hip 76](#), a sister to last year's Wokingham H. and dual stakes scorer **Fayr Jag (Ire)** (Fayruz {GB}), was knocked down to Mijas-based trainer Eddie Creighton for 52,000 guineas. The second and final session of the sale commences today at 2:30 p.m.

★ **EUROPE** ★

★ **CLASSIC CORNER** ★

NO TRIAL FOR BLOOM

Cheveley Park Stud's **Red Bloom (GB)** (Selkirk) will avoid the trials and go straight to the G1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket May 2. Conditioner Sir Michael Stoute told the *Mirror* that he has been keen to avoid "rushing" last year's G1 Fillies' Mile winner in her preparation for the mile Classic. "We haven't done anything serious yet and that has always been the plan," he said. "Russian Rhythm, Musical Bliss, Golan and Entrepreneur all won a Guineas without a prep race."



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FRANKIE LIGHTS UP FOLKESTONE

Jockey Frankie Dettori turned lowly Folkestone into his stage yesterday when completing a 947-1 five-timer. With his exploits on Observer (Ire), Petite Rose (Ire), Wistman (UAE), Doctored (GB) and Belle Rouge (GB), the exuberant Italian cost the bookmakers, many of whom are still reeling from his infamous “magnificent seven” at Ascot in September 1996. It is thought that the total damage of small accumulator bets will cost the betting industry millions of pounds.

FALLON TO FACE INQUIRY

Kieren Fallon and John Egan will face a Jockey Club disciplinary panel in the near future, it was announced yesterday. After the *News of the World* expose of his dealings with undercover journalists entitled “The Fixer,” the jockeys will be called to Portman Square to attend the inquiry. Fallon, who was banned for 21 days for failing to ride out Ballinger Ridge (GB) to the finish of a maiden race at Lingfield Mar. 2, is due to return to the saddle at Kempton on Saturday. He will have to answer to the newspaper’s claims that he and fellow jockey Egan made statements that could, in the Jockey Club’s interpretation, prejudice the integrity and good reputation of horse racing. Fallon will also have to prove that he did not communicate information to the reporters about horses for material reward, gift, favor or benefit in kind. “My conscience is clear and it will be a relief to get the opportunity to clear my name,” Fallon said yesterday. No date has been officially set, but the Jockey Club intend to resolve the situation as soon as possible.

Yesterday’s Results:

Folkestone, 2.10, Mdn, £6,260, 2yo, 5fT, 1:04.03, gd/sf.

+ **OBSERVER (IRE) (c, 2, Distant View--Virgin Stanza, by Opening Verse)**, sent off the 4-7 favorite to provide David Loder with his first juvenile winner of 2004, was positively ridden from the gate by Frankie Dettori. Quickening from the front passing the quarter pole, the 23,000gns TATDEC weanling and 95,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase had to fight in the end to withstand the challenge of Norcroft (GB) (Fasliyev), but responded gamely to score by a half length, with 12 lengths back to the third. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,069. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Viejo Pueblo; T-David Loder.

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Folkestone, 3.40, Mdn, £5,920, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:31.92, gd/sf.

+ **WISTMAN (UAE) (c, 3, Woodman--Saik, by Riverman)**, lukewarm in the market beforehand, raced in rear off the honest early fractions. Quickening past the halfway marker, the 10-1 shot produced a late rattle to cut down Rangoon (Distant View) in the final strides and win by a head. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,848. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley Dubai; T-David Loder.

Warwick, 3.30, Mdn, £5,650, 3yo, 1m 22ydsT, 1:46.79, sf.

HASAYIS (GB) (f, 3, Danehill--Intizaa, by Mr. Prospector), 11th in a Newbury maiden last time in October, went off the 9-4 favorite to get off the mark. Settled in mid-division through early exchanges, she made smooth progress to lead with quarter mile remaining before holding off the rally of Cesare (GB) (Machiavellian) by 3/4 of a length. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, £3,672. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited; T-John Dunlop.

Warwick, 5.00, Mdn, £5,625, 3yo, 1m 22ydsT, 1:46.78, sf.

CITY PALACE (GB) (c, 3, Grand Lodge--Ajuga {SP-Eng}, by The Minstrel), sixth behind the promising Warrad in a Newbury maiden in October, was sent off 6-4 second choice. Stalking the early pace, the half to Ajanta (GB) (Rousillon), Horse of the Year, Ch. Miler & Ch. 3yo Filly-Cze, MGSW-Cze; Bad Bertrich Again (Ire), GSW-Ger, \$269,025-Ger & US; and Prolix (GB) (Kris {GB}), GSW-GB, \$208,651, proved too strong in the final 100 yards for Oh Golly Gosh (GB) (Exit to Nowhere), asserting to score by a length. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,656. O-Khaild Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Barry Hills.

Folkestone, 2.40, Mdn, £4,240, 3yo, 6fT, 1:15.25, gd/sf.

+ **PETITE ROSE (IRE) (f, 3, Turtle Island {Ire}--Double Grange {Ire}, by Double Schwartz {Ire})** broke well and showed early dash to lead the favored far side group. Kicked into a clear advantage at the eighth pole, the 11-4 second favorite was pushed out to comfortably beat Warden Complex (GB) (Compton Place {GB}) by four lengths. The 35,000gns TATDEC weanling and €75,000 GOFORB yearling is a full to Lincoln Grange (Ire), Co-Hwt 3yo-Eng at 5-7f, SW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-Fr, \$131,453. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,968. O-Salem Suhail; B-Quay Bloodstock, Peter Magnier and Dr M Wallace; T-John Gosden.



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SCOTT'S VIEW INVITED TO QEII CUP

Listed winner **Scott's View (GB)** (Selkirk), who ran third last time out in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Nad al Sheba Mar. 27, has been invited to contest the Audemars Piguet QEII Cup at Sha Tin Apr. 25. A winner of two of five starts this year at Nad al Sheba, Scott's View will replace French challenger **Short Pause (GB)** (Sadler's Wells). A Listed winner in France, Short Pause was withdrawn from consideration by trainer Andre Fabre, who felt the five-year-old horse needs more time to recover from a third-place finish in his most recent start in the G2 Prix d'Harcourt at Longchamp Apr. 4.



“DARK HORSE” REPORT
by Dave Keena

ALL TOO BEAUTIFUL (IRE), f, 3, Sadler's Wells--Urban Sea, by Miswaki
O-Michael Tabor; B-Sunderland Holdings Ltd and Abbey Bloodstock; T-Aidan O'Brien

This filly could never be described as “dark” as her illustrious family goes before her. Nevertheless, the full-sister to the stable's brilliant dual Derby and King George winner Galileo (Ire) is not just about pedigree, as she showed when winning a competitive conditions event at Leopardstown Mar. 28. If the Epsom Oaks comes too soon, she can add further lustre to this family later in the season.

TDN TODAY

Around the World 7 pages

CAIRDEAS (IRE), c, 3, Darshaan (GB)--Sabaah, by Nureyev
O-H E The President Of Ireland; B-Irish National Stud; T-Dermot Weld

Dermot Weld already has the exciting Grey Swallow (Ire) to take Rosewell House forward in 2004 but there was no disguising his enthusiasm for Cairdeas on his open day last month. He subsequently finished runner-up to the promising Book of Kings from an unfavorable draw in a Curragh maiden on Sunday on his debut. He can make up into a useful middle-distance performer like his half-brother Desert King (Ire).

HAVE A HEART (IRE), f, 3, Daggery Drawn--Sukeena (Ire), by Brief Truce
O/B-D H W Dobson; T-Jim Bolger

Third in a Tipperary maiden last May, Have a Heart took until Mar. 21 to get back on a racecourse and finished fourth in a Curragh maiden. She may still have needed the experience when seventh in Sunday's Listed Loughbrown S. back at that venue and is held in high regard by her trainer, who knows this family inside out.

DABIROUN (IRE), c, 3, Desert Prince (Ire)--Dabaya (Ire), by In the Wings (GB)
O-His Highness the Aga Khan; B-His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs S C; T-John Oxx

Dabiroun, who took a heavy-ground mile maiden at The Curragh on his debut Mar. 21, showed surprising pace to finish a half-length second to Newton (Ire) dropped back to seven furlongs in Sunday's Listed Loughbrown S. back at that track. His dam was effective at 10 furlongs but stayed 1 3/4 miles, when runner-up in the Listed Challenge S. Dabiroun has a nice blend of that plentiful distaff stamina and his sire's inherent speed, which has also served His Highness the Aga Khan's Kalamán (Ire) well.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-AQU, \$43,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. I HAVE A DATE (f, 3, Take Me Out--Iron Bit, by Cormorant) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$75,280. O/B-Chester & Mary Broman Sr (NY). T-Ramon M Hernandez.

3rd-BMX, \$33,840, NW1X, 3yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:30, fm. LOST BRIDE (f, 3, Pioneering--Danzig's Bride {SP, \$160,412}, by Danzig) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$42,395. O-Nicholas B Alexander. B-John B Crook (KY). T-Charles J Jenda. *\$35,000 yrl '02 BESOCT. **1/2 to Ideal State (Crafty Prospector), SP, \$155,947; Babai Danzig (Cure the Blues), SW & GSP, \$169,689.

9th-HAW, \$30,000, 4-6, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. JOHNATHAN (g, 4, Demidoff--Queeny Park, by Highland Park) Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-2, \$67,360. O/B-Carlene Kelley (IL). T-Justin Johns.

8th-HAW, \$28,000, 4-6, NW1X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft. GENERAL JAY (c, 4, Dare and Go--Ms. Jiles, by Tejano) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-1, \$37,780. O-Arbaway Farm & Carson Springs Farm. B-Carson Springs Farm (FL). T-Christine K Janks.

8th-PIM, \$25,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13, ft. SULTRY RENDEVOUS (f, 4, Sultry Song--Mrs. P Minister {SW, \$169,413}, by Proud Appeal) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$38,440. O-Linda Gaudet & Morris Bailey. B-Frederick J Seitz (KY). T-Edmond D Gaudet. *\$15,000 wIng '00 KEENOV; \$16,000 yrl '01 FTMOCT. **1/2 to Montana Cat (Mountain Cat), MSP, \$199,817; Van Minister (With Approval), GSW, \$119,475.

11th-SUN, \$21,500, 4-6, NW2L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft. DANCINGINTHESKY (g, 3, Guarani--Danceswithroses, by No Points) Lifetime Record: 15-2-2-1, \$34,922. O-Blue Sky Training Center & Ramon O Gonzalez. B-Blue Sky Training Center & James Hampton (CA). T-Ramon O Gonzalez.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ituna, f, 3, Boston Harbor--Goodeve, by Pleasant Colony. GPX, 4-7, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:43 2/5. B-Winsong Farms (On).
Quiteaguy, c, 3, Out of Place--Holy Miss, by Holy Bull. MNR, 4-6, 1m, 1:44 1/5. B-Stonerside Stable (Tx).
Taleofthewampuscat, c, 3, Tale of the Cat--Gracious Reason, by Secretariat. OPX, 4-7, 6f, 1:11. B-Cho, LLC & JPR Stables, LLC (Ky). *\$50,000 yrl '02 KESEP.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Rome, 3.35, 4-6, €19,125, 3yo, 1 3/16mT, 2:01.90, gd. HALLING ROCK (GB) (c, 3, Halling--South Rock {GB} {SW-Fr}, by Rock City {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 8 starts, 5 wins, 2 places, €45,509. O/T-Raffaele Biondi; B-Worksop Manor Stud.

ITALY, Rome, 3.05, 4-6, €19,125, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44.80, gd. MISS NASHWAN (IRE) (f, 4, Nashwan--Miss Carolina {Ire} {Hwt Older Mare-Ity at 7-9.5f, MSW & GSP-Ity, \$222,313}, by Danehill) Lifetime Record: SP-Ire, 10 starts, 2 wins, 2 places, €36,675. O/B-CAMMA SAS di Schiavi; T-Maurizio Grassi.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Polly Alexander (Ire), f, 2, Foxhound--Fiveofive (Ire), by Fairy King. Warwick, Britain, 4-7, Mdn, 2yo, f, 5fT. B-Mrs T A Foreman.



FOALING NEWS

FIREY AFFAIR, 20, Explodent--Country Romance (Halo) Foal born Mar. 6, a colt by Cat Thief. Owned by Arthur B. Hancock III. Boarded at Stone Farm, Ky. Accomplishments: Dam of Swearingen (Deposit Ticket), MSW & MGSP, \$673,203; and Adage (Tale of the Cat), GSP.

METROMANE, 14, Metrogrand--Momma Mae (Naskra) Foal born Mar. 7, a filly by Street Cry (Ire). Will be bred back to Vindication. Owned by Pollock Farms & Taylor Made Farm. Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky. Accomplishments: SW. Dam of Flame Thrower (Saint Ballado), MGSW, \$458,200.

AREWEHAVINGFUNYET, 21, Sham--Just Jazz, by Exclusive Native Foal born Mar. 8, a filly by Aptitude. Will be bred back to Diesis (GB). Owned by/boarded at Juddmonte Farms, Ky. Accomplishments: GISW of \$508,892. Dam of Have Fun (Topsider), SW-US, \$251,663.