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HEADLINE NEWS

THE KEEJAN TOPPER? YES SHE IS

She entered the ring soaked from the cold January rain that made for a dreary day outside the Keeneland sales pavilion, but the three-year-old filly **Yes She Is** (Seeking the Gold) nonetheless managed to shine during the fourth session of the January Horses of All Ages Sale in Lexington, Kentucky. The unraced chestnut sparked the most contentious bidding of the afternoon that concluded with Jim Stone's \$260,000 winning offer. Stone purchased the filly as a broodmare prospect and will send her to his Stoneway Farm near Louisville. "That was more than I wanted to pay for her," Stone admitted after signing the ticket. "I thought about half of that was fair. But we liked the family, and that's the kind of sale it is, if everybody's on the same one." Yes She Is, consigned by Brookdale Sales, agent, is a daughter of Grade I winner Well Chosen, a \$360,000 juvenile purchase by Coolmore's Demi O'Byrne in 1997. Racing for Mrs. John Magnier and Michael Tabor, Well Chosen won the GI Ashland S. at Keeneland as a three-year-old of 1998, beating Let and Banshee Breeze. Well Chosen was off the board in that year's GI Kentucky Oaks and never raced again. Jayeff 'B' Stables bred Well Chosen's first foal before the mare joined Darley's broodmare band. Yes She Is is Well Chosen's fourth foal. *cont. p2*



Yes She Is Lucas Marquardt

WAR PASS BACK ON THE WORKTAB

Robert LaPenta's **War Pass** (Cherokee Run), favored to collect the Eclipse Award for champion juvenile colt, posted his first official work of the year with an easy three-furlong breeze in :37 flat at Palm Meadows Thursday. "He looks great," confirmed trainer Nick Zito. "This is a real pleasure having a horse like this." The three-year-old colt won all four starts in 2007, including his two most recent starts in the Oct. 6 GI Champagne S. at Belmont and the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Monmouth Park Oct. 27. As for the dark bay's next start, Zito added, "We're looking for a race for him at Gulfstream going a mile in mid-February."



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STILL NO DECISION FOR SANTA ANITA

Santa Anita President Ron Charles said yesterday that there has not yet been a decision made as to the future of the track's winter/spring meeting. The Arcadia oval was back in action yesterday, and racing will be held as scheduled through Monday, but Charles said plans beyond that are "day-to-day." He added, "We know that the industry wants answers. Believe me, we do too. But we have to be sure we take the time necessary to make the right decision on this. The minute we know we've got a solid plan for the rest of the meet, we will announce it. At the request of numerous horsemen, owners, trainers and jockeys, we are continuing to lab test our current synthetic material in order to see if there is anything we can do that would enable it to drain as it was designed to." If the decision is made to take up the Cushion Track and temporality replace it will a conventional dirt track, Santa Anita will need to find the needed materials for the conversion. "We feel strongly that we need the added time to continue to look for, test and procure the absolute best high quality material that would be required if we in fact choose to install an all-natural dirt surface," Charles said. "This is just too big a decision, with too much at stake, to rush into." The GII San Gorgonio H., which was originally scheduled for Jan. 6, will now be contested Jan. 14.

KEENELAND JANUARY STATISTICS
THURSDAY, JAN. 10, 2008

| <u>CUMULATIVE</u> | <u>2008</u> | <u>2007</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Catalogued | 1506 | 1487 |
| No. Offered | 1201 | 1233 |
| No. Sold | 906 | 980 |
| RNAs | 295 | 253 |
| % RNA | 24.6% | 20.5% |
| No. \$500K+ | 11 | 10 |
| High Price | \$2,700,000 | \$1,800,000 |
| Gross | \$62,912,300 | \$60,995,500 |
| Average (% change) | \$69,440 (+11.6%) | \$62,240 |
| Median (% change) | \$30,000 (unch.) | \$30,000 |

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THURSDAY'S TOP BROODMARES**

| <u>Hip</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Covering Stallion</u> | <u>Price (\$)</u> |
|-------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1261 | Yes She Is <i>(3, Seeking the Gold--Well Chosen, by Deputy Minister)</i> | b'mare prospect | 260,000 |
| | Consigned by Brookdale Sales, agent Purchased by Stoneway Farm | | |
| 1239 | Vague Notion (Ire) <i>(Grand Lodge--Epicure's Garden, by Affirmed)</i> | b'mare prospect | 165,000 |
| | Consigned by James B Keogh/Grovendale, Agent XVI Purchased by Green Garden Stable | | |
| 1172 | Sadler's Profile <i>(9, Royal Academy--Miss Profile {Ire}, by Sadlers Wells)</i> | Thunder Gulch | 125,000 |
| | Consigned by James B Keogh/Grovendale, Agent XXXI Purchased by Argentina Bloodstock | | |
| 1259 | Woodsia <i>(9, Woodman--Long Silence, by Alleged)</i> | Stormy Atlantic | 120,000 |
| | Consigned by Paramoun Sales, Agent XXXVII Purchased by Bryan Cross, agent | | |
| 1375 | Elegant Prospect <i>(8, Mr. Prospector--Glamorous, by Danzig)</i> | Strong Contender | 120,000 |
| | Consigned by Warrendale Sales, Agent for Family Broodmares I LLC Purchased by B Walden for Kelley Farms Racing | | |
| 1397 | Gala Regatta <i>(6, Boston Harbor--Gala Prospector, by Northern Prospect)</i> | Broken Vow | 110,000 |
| | Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by Joe McMahon | | |
| 1228 | Toss the Feather <i>(5, Dixie Union--Dancing Mirage, by Alleged)</i> | Silver Train | 105,000 |
| | Consigned by Warrendale Sales, Agent IV Purchased by Phil Needham | | |
| 1341 | Come Together <i>(4, Dixie Union--Comfort Zone, by Rubiano)</i> | b'mare prospect | 105,000 |
| | Consigned by Summerfield Sales Agency, Inc., Agent XCI Purchased by Baker Stable | | |



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Way of the Stone...

Jim Stone launched Stoneway Farm in 1998. He came from a successful trucking business, having launched Mercer Transportation Co. back in 1977 in Louisville, Kentucky, with a partner. Stone continues to operate Mercer, which today is a major carrier in the United States. Long a fan of horse racing, Stone began Stoneway as a breeding venture, intending primarily to sell at auction. Nearly 10 years later, Stoneway is still "just a small operation," said Stone. "We're just trying to upgrade as we go along, just like everyone is trying to do."



Irish Smoke NYRA photo

Stoneway currently has about 15 mares at its farm. "We typically breed to sell, but we've got about 10 in our racing stable right now," Stone commented. While Stoneway is Stone's operation, his girlfriend, Terri Burch, works closely with him on all decisions, Stone said. "At auctions, we work by committee--my vet, farm manager and Terri and myself," Stone explained. "Anyone can turn down any horse for any reason. One vote turns it down, it takes all votes to buy." In addition to agreeing on Yes She Is, Team Stoneway also landed on the Dehere mare Her She Kisses, a MSW & MGSP half-sister to the good handicap horse Crafty Shaw, earlier in the sale. Stoneway purchased the 12-year-old mare, in foal to Street Cry (Ire), for \$250,000 on Tuesday. "Most of the mares we have are around that range," Stone said. Though a relatively new operation, Stoneway has enjoyed some success on national level. In 1999, Stoneway purchased Magicalmysterykate privately after she failed to meet her reserve at \$210,000 as a yearling. The filly broke her maiden at Gulfstream for the operation, but proved much more valuable as a broodmare prospect. Magicalmysterykate (Woodman), a half-sister to MG1SW Agnes World and to the dam of G1 winners Librettist and Dubai Destination, was put through the 2003 Keeneland November Sale and made \$900,000. And last year, a filly bred and sold by Stoneway, Irish Smoke (Smoke Glacken), registered a Grade I victory for West Point Thoroughbreds when taking the Spinaway S. at Saratoga. West Point later sold Irish Smoke for \$750,000 at the Fasig-Tipton November Sale. "We still have her dam, Added Time," said Stone. "She's going to Street Cry (Ire)."

Stoneway sold a Forest Wildcat half-brother to Irish Smoke for \$200,000 at the 2007 September Sale.

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| Hip | Sex | Sire | Dam | Price (\$) |
|---|-------|-------------------------|------------------|------------|
| <u>1171</u> | colt | <u>Tapit</u> | Ryvnine | 145,000 |
| <i>B-Denny Andrews and Blackwater Farm (Ky)</i> Consigned by Lane's End, agent Purchased by Stepping Stone Bloodstock | | | | |
| <u>1428</u> | colt | <u>Elusive Quality</u> | I'll Get There | 120,000 |
| <i>B-Morgan's Ford Farm (Va)</i> Consigned by Morgan's Ford Farm Purchased by Jean Pierre Deroubaix | | | | |
| <u>1396</u> | colt | <u>Purge</u> | Fusaichi's Angel | 95,000 |
| <i>B-Fernando Diaz-Valdes (Ky)</i> Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by D & T Enterprise | | | | |
| <u>1325</u> | filly | <u>Cuvee</u> | Cercida | 90,000 |
| <i>B-Santa Rosa Partners (Ky)</i> Consigned by Warrendale Sales, Agent I Purchased by Stepingstone Farm | | | | |
| <u>1161</u> | colt | <u>Harlan's Holiday</u> | Regal Heir | 80,000 |
| <i>B-Budget Stables (Ky)</i> Consigned by James B Keogh/Grovendale, Agent IV Purchased by MPK | | | | |
| <u>1369</u> | filly | <u>Eurosilver</u> | Don't Ring Me | 80,000 |
| <i>B-Fredericka Caldwell (Ky)</i> Consigned by Highclere Sales, Agent VIII Purchased by Josham Farms Limited, agent | | | | |

Mr. Greeley's Got a Notion...

Young broodmare prospects from good families are always a hot commodity, and Vague Notion (Ire) was no exception when she stepped into the ring as hip 1239 yesterday. The scopey four-year-old filly realized the day's second-highest price after Michael Hernon saw off all challengers at \$165,000. By Grand Lodge, Vague Notion was a winner in Europe and boasted an impressive page. Her dam is the stakes-winning, multi-



Vague Notion L. Marquardt

ple group-placed Epicure's Garden (Affirmed), meaning that Vague Notion is a half-sister to Group 2 winner and Irish highweight Lisieux Rose (Ire) (Generous {Ire}). "I love her pedigree, it's a great family with a lot of quality," said Hernon, who signed the ticket as Green Garden Stable. Hernon declined to name who he was buying for, but said, "We've just bought a sprinkling over this sale, but we're focused on quality, and she fell into that category." Hernon, the director of sales at Gainesway Farm, said Vague Notion will be headed to that nursery's star stallion, Mr. Greeley. "I think he fits her very well," Hernon commented. Vague Notion was one of the standouts in yesterday's catalog, and Hernon said that the price was about right. "We expected her to be around that number; I think that was a reasonable price for her," he said.

THURSDAY, JAN. 10, 2008

| SESSION TOTALS | 2008 | 2007 |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Catalogued | 388 | 368 |
| No. Offered | 305 | 309 |
| No. Sold | 239 | 247 |
| RNAs | 66 | 62 |
| % RNA | 21.6% | 20.1% |
| No. \$200K+ | 1 | 3 |
| High Price | \$330,000 | \$1,500,000 |
| Gross | \$6,725,800 | \$9,203,500 |
| Average (% change) | \$28,141 (-24.5%) | \$37,261 |
| Median (% change) | \$20,000 (+25%) | \$16,000 |



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Tapit Colt Heads Yearlings...

Lane's End sold the day's top-priced short yearling, a handsome bay colt from the first crop of Grade I winner Tapit (Pulpit), to Stepping Stone Bloodstock for



Tapit Bill Straus

\$145,000. The colt was bred by Denny Andrews and Blackwater Farm and followed by two months his dam into the sale's ring at Keeneland. "We sold his mother for \$480,000 in November, so we were expecting him to do well," explained Lane's End's Farm Manager Mike Cline. His dam, Rynvine (Broad Brush)

was knocked down to BBA Ireland carrying a foal by Mr. Greeley. A Mar. 9 foal, the colt is from the immediate family of GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Concern. Rynvine is a full-sister to that \$3-million earner, as well as to graded winner Tennis Lady and the stakes horses Lucky Clone and Broad Expectations. The Tapit colt was one of two short yearlings to reach the six-figure mark Thursday. "We were very happy with the price," said Cline. "He was a very nice colt, probably the nicest one of the day." Hip 1428, meanwhile, attracted a bid of \$120,000 from Jean Pierre Deroubaix. Produced by a half-sister to Grade I winner Is Your Pleasure, the Mar. 17 foal is a half-brother to GI Hollywood Starlet victress I Believe in You (Pleasant Tap) and stakes winner Ready Cash (Key to the Mint). Morgan's Ford Farm bred the colt in Virginia and offered him through its two-horse Keeneland January consignment.



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Average Down, Median Up On Day Four...

Last year, the fourth session of the Keeneland January Sale was buoyed by the \$1.5-million sale of Grade I winner Downthedustyroad, as well as the \$500,000 A P Easy. Those hefty prices meant that yesterday's average was unlikely to match up with 2007 figures, and that proved to be the case: average was down 24.5 percent, from \$37,261 to \$28,141. There were also more six-figure horses in 2007. A total of 15 eclipsed the mark last term, compared with 11 yesterday. Despite those figures, yesterday's fourth session median rose 25 percent, from \$16,000 to \$20,000. "I thought, horse for horse, we sold very well today," said Keeneland Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell. "The RNA rate was 21.6 percent, which is an acceptable level. The quality yearlings were very well-received and there was spirited bidding on them."

What They're Saying At The Sales...

Michael Hernon, Gainesway Farm:

"The market's very polarized. That filly we sold the other day [the Gainesway-consigned Moon Catcher, for \$1.35 million] to Narvick, that was a very good sale for her. The market's for young, quality broodmares. Earlier today, we chased a very nice colt by Tapit, who was knocked down for \$145,000. He was very athletic, a good mover, and those kinds of horses are still eliciting top dollar. More average horses or horses that don't vet--it's a free fall from the top to the bottom. That's just the market we're operating in."

All horses in the *TDN* are bred in North America, unless otherwise indicated

TOP 2007 FRESHMEN SIRES BY EARNINGS THROUGH DEC. 31

| Name | Strs | Wnrs | SWs | Earnings (\$) |
|------------------------------------|------|------|-----|---------------|
| Posse | 43 | 24 | 7 | 1,765,638 |
| Harlan's Holiday | 55 | 24 | 5 | 1,661,195 |
| Proud Citizen | 53 | 20 | 3 | 1,434,066 |
| Van Nistelrooy | 60 | 24 | 5 | 1,328,831 |
| Macho Uno | 32 | 15 | 2 | 1,085,455 |
| Whywhywhy | 36 | 11 | 2 | 1,073,083 |
| Empire Maker | 25 | 8 | 3 | 1,031,923 |
| Vindication | 53 | 19 | 1 | 947,733 |
| Hold That Tiger | 72 | 21 | 2 | 868,880 |
| Kafwain | 35 | 14 | 4 | 867,331 |
| D'wildcat | 25 | 7 | 2 | 842,377 |
| Yankee Gentleman | 41 | 15 | 2 | 719,602 |
| Repent | 44 | 18 | 2 | 714,181 |
| Hook and Ladder | 26 | 8 | 2 | 630,489 |
| Sunday Break (Jpn) | 52 | 20 | 0 | 605,701 |

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Sunday, Santa Anita

SANTA YNEZ S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT)

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|-----------------|------------------|----------|-----|
| 1 | Champagne Eyes | Flatter | M Baze | 114 |
| 2 | Izarra | Distorted Humor | Talamo | 114 |
| 3 | Indian Blessing | Indian Charlie | Gomez | 123 |
| 4 | Nook and Granny | Impeachment | Migliore | 114 |
| 5 | P. S. U. Grad | Harlan's Holiday | Flores | 121 |
| 6 | Peisinoe | Yes It's True | Solis | 116 |
| 7 | Golden Doc A | Unusual Heat | Bejarano | 123 |

Making her first start of the season is likely Juvenile Fillies champion **Indian Blessing**, undefeated in three starts last year, including the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile



Indian Blessing Horsephotos

Fillies at Monmouth Park Oct. 27. Cutting back in distance for this one, the Hal and Patti Earnhardt homebred will be takling a synthetic surface for the first time. "She's a very tactical filly," said regular rider, Garrett Gomez. "You can put her anywhere you want." Equally confident in his filly, trainer Bob Baffert added,

"You never really know how good they are until they get tested, but Indian Blessing is a very, very good one." Indian Blessing worked a sizzling six furlongs in 1:10 at Hollywood Park Jan. 4.

Sunday, Santa Anita

EL ENCINO S.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT)

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|------------------|---------------------|----------|-----|
| 1 | Indescribable | Pleasant Tap | Bejarano | 115 |
| 2 | Zenyatta | Street Cry (Ire) | Flores | 115 |
| 3 | Dawn After Dawn | Successful Appeal | Gomez | 115 |
| 4 | Hucking Hot (GB) | Desert Prince (Ire) | Solis | 117 |
| 5 | Romance Is Diane | In Excess (Ire) | M Baze | 122 |
| 6 | Tough Tiz's Sis | Tiznow | Espinoza | 122 |
| 7 | Fleet Caroline | Tejano Run | Talamo | 115 |

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will indicate first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

Sunday, Gulfstream Park

FIRST LADY H.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|-------------------|-----------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Rgirldoesn'tbluff | Pine Bluff | Lezcano | 117 |
| 2 | Bereba | Exchange Rate | Coa | 116 |
| 3 | Running Lass | Running Stag | Nunez | 115 |
| 4 | Miss Tizzy | Cee's Tizzy | Velasquez | 116 |
| 5 | Marina Ballerina | Outflanker | Desormeaux | 118 |
| 6 | Sugar Swirl | Touch Gold | Castellano | 119 |
| 7 | Princess Janie | Elusive Quality | Prado | 116 |
| 8 | Quality Affair | Elusive Quality | Castro | 115 |

Sunday, Santa Anita

SANTA YSABEL S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT)

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------|-----------------|----------|-----|
| 1 | Grace Anatomy | Aldebaran | Gomez | 114 |
| 2 | Kazamira | Dynaformer | Smith | 114 |
| 3 | Turn Away | Empire Maker | Bejarano | 114 |
| 4 | Rareville | Petionville | Quinonez | 114 |
| 5 | Final Fling | Bertrando | Talamo | 114 |
| 6 | Initiation | Deputy Minister | Leparoux | 120 |

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NEEL COLT HAS APPEAL

Clay Neel refuses to live in a world of woulda, shoulda, coulda. That mindset will allow him to cheer this weekend for **Massive Drama** (Kafwain), a colt bred in partnership with his wife Mena, who should go favored in the one-mile Gill San Rafael S.



Massive Drama Benoit Photo

“We are real humble people,” Neel said. “We’ve been in the horse business for all our lives. We’re just very thankful for this.”

The story begins back in the early 1980s when Neel purchased Slewacide, a colt from the first crop of 1977 Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew, to stand stud after he suffered a career-ending injury in his one trip to the post. The horseman was also the owner of Mr. Prospector’s stallion son Collier and bred the sire to a mare called Windy Poo. The result was Mary Pat, a foal of 1990, who won five times from 32 starts, and was retired in 1996 with earnings in excess of \$72,000. Bred later that year to Slewacide, Mary Pat produced Peyvon the following spring, and the Oklahoma-bred earned her keep at the track, winning seven times, including a minor stakes, and over \$137,000.

Armed with a whole lot of inside information, Neel capitalized on the opportunity when Peyvon was catalogued for the 2004 Keeneland January sale.

“I thought she was the best Slewacide mare that I’d ever seen, as far as a physical,” Neel explained. “She’s a stunning physical mare.” He added, “I knew her race record, I knew her family, but I didn’t buy her for sentimental reasons whatsoever. I am in the horse business to make a living, not as a hobby. We don’t have any other business. The reason I bought her is because she is such an outstanding physical mare, a very attractive mare. The best looking mare I’ve owned in a long time.”

Slewacide, the horse Neel stood for those few years in the 80s, had gone on to become reasonably successful, having sired the millionaires Slew of Damascus and Clever Trevor.

Having secured his new purchase for just \$10,000, Neel undertook the process of seeking out a mate for her first year at stud. He explains his rationale.

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“I am a big believer in using Seattle Slew on Mr. Prospector and vice versa, and [Peyvon] has got that. For a sire, I was looking for a first-year horse from the Northern Dancer line, or even a physical horse that I thought would match Peyvon. I thought Kafwain was the physical horse and he also had a pedigree that would work, because Cherokee Run has really got an affinity for Mr. Prospector-line mares. On the bottom side of Kafwain, you have some Damascus, and one of [Slewacide’s] millionaires [Slew of Damascus] was out of a [grand-] daughter of Damascus, so I saw that little part work as well.”

Peyvon dropped her Kafwain foal on St. Patrick’s Day 2005 at Calumet Farm, and he caught Neel’s eye.

“I loved him to start with,” he stated. “I told [Darley’s] Dan Pride when he was a weanling that he was the best Kafwain I’d seen.”

Under normal circumstances, the Neels would have retained ownership of the colt, at least for a bit longer, but circumstances conspired against the couple. The couple had just sold their original farm and purchased new property on Elkhorn Creek. They needed to build a house, a barn and fences on their new acreage, which resulted in their selling their foal crop as weanlings that year. Their Kafwain colt was knocked down to Simmons Bloodstock for \$40,000 at the 2005 Keeneland November sale. Neel wasn’t terribly disappointed in the result. *cont. p7*



TDN Feature Presentation cont.

"We had a \$10,000 stud fee and a \$10,000 mare, so we made out alright," he said. "I thought he'd bring \$50,000 or \$60,000 because he was a nice colt."

Neel admits to being a bit surprised when the colt he'd bred was purchased by Zayat Stables for \$485,000 at the 2006 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale.

"I know he was an awfully nice looking colt, but that's a lot of money for a \$10,000 stud fee," he offered.

Neel takes some solace in the fact that he and his wife still own Peyvon, currently in foal to Tapit, and a yearling half-sister to Massive Drama by Woke Up Dreamin, which they will retain. The couple intends on breeding Peyvon to Darley's new sire Street Sense and will likely offer the mare in foal late this year.

As for Massive Drama, Neel will be leading the cheers this weekend.

"I love seeing him run," Neel said.

WIND'S LEGACY MISSES SAN RAFAEL Wind's

Legacy (Millennium Wind) was forced to miss Saturday's GII San Rafael S. due to a minor setback, according to the *Daily Racing Form*. "He had a little bit of a sore shin out of his last work," trainer Jennie Green told DRF. "We're not taking any chances." The colt covered six furlongs in 1:11.60--the fastest of 25 moves at the distance--in his latest work Dec. 29. According to Green, the three-year-old will now be considered for the Feb. 2 GII Robert Lewis S. if the colt clears further x-rays this weekend. "It's a wait-and-see situation," Green told DRF. "It depends on what it is." Third behind subsequent GSW Into Mischief in a maiden here Oct. 21, the Kentucky-bred reeled off two straight most recently, including a 2 1/2-length score in a Hollywood allowance Dec. 6.

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STAR PLUS JOINS MACK STABLE Earle Mack has purchased G1SW **Star Plus (Arg)** (Alpha Plus--Nannar {Arg}, by Big Play) from owners Natalie Pia Morkevicius and Mariano Barros for an undisclosed sum and will bring the bay to the U.S. to race. "This colt is a very exciting miler and we can't wait for him to run in North America," said Mack's Racing Manager Aaron Cohen. "Mr. Mack was in Argentina to see Star Plus's Grade 1 win on the day of the Pelligrini S. and was very impressed with his speed. Kenny McPeek advised Mr. Mack on the purchase and he will train Star Plus for us in the United States." Star Plus, a Southern Hemisphere four-year-old, has compiled a record of 14-4-6-1 for earnings of \$81,406. Runner-up in three Group 1 events and three Group 2 races, he posted a 3/4-length score in the Dec. 15 G1 Joaquin S. de Anchorena S. at San Isidro last time out. He will be shipped to Ocala to acclimate before joining McPeek's string at the track.

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KELLY'S LANDING EYEING DUBAI REPEAT

Seven-year-old **Kelly's Landing** (Patton) is currently in training at Palm Meadows and is likely to make his 2008 debut during the Gulfstream meeting before a possible tilt at the G1 Golden Shaheen at Nad al Sheba Mar. 29. The mammoth gelding, who won last year's Golden Shaheen, finished fifth in the slop in his latest start in the G1 Breeders' Cup Sprint at Monmouth Oct. 27. "I had hoped to bring him back in the [GIII] Mr. Prospector [Jan. 5], but I missed some training with him and ran out of time for that one," explained trainer Eddie Kenneally. "The goal is to get him back to Dubai. Hopefully, we'll find a spot for him [at Gulfstream] sometime in February." The dark bay worked most recently Dec. 30, covering a half-mile in :47 4/5, the fastest of 61 horses at the distance that morning. Also a member of the Kenneally team, undefeated **Keep the Peace** (Touch Gold), a seven-length winner most recently at Gulfstream Jan. 4, is expected to make her next start at the current meet. "She was nominated to the [GII] Old Hat S., but that would be too quick to come back only eight days after she ran," he explained. "We'll wait and point for the [GII] Forward Gal S. [Feb. 9]."



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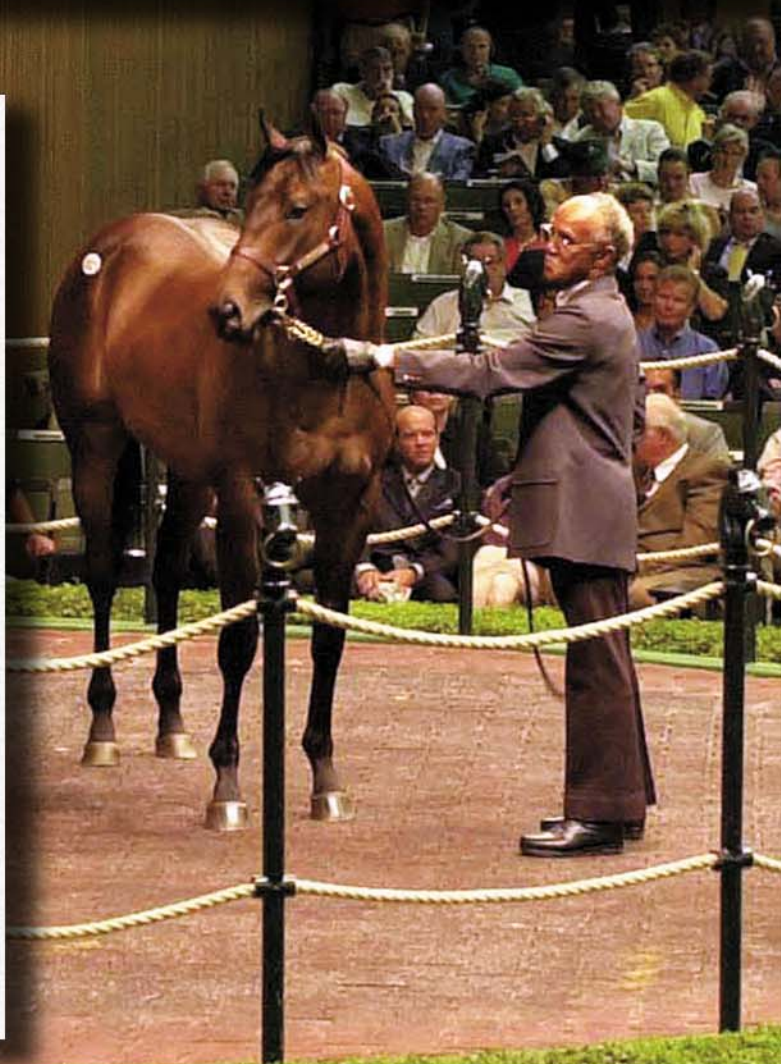
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Yesterday's Results:

8th-GPX, \$49,500, Alw, NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34, fm.

1--WAQUOIT'S LOVE, 120, m, 5, Not For Love--

Waquoit's Tune, by Waquoit. O/B-Dennis J Federico (MD); T-Timothy A Hills. Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-2, \$139,957.

2--Tejida, 118, m, 5, Rahy--Batique, by Storm Cat.

3--Lisa M, 118, f, 4, Banker's Gold--Lords Guest, by Lord At War (Arg).

Margins: 3/4, 1 3/4, NK. Odds: 8.70, 3.20, 8.10.

Waquoit's Love returned from a two-month break to post a front-running allowance tally at Calder Dec. 14. Displaying her versatility here, the Maryland-bred grey settled midpack early, angled to the outside to deliver her challenge and bested favored Tejida for her second straight score. U.S. debuter La Conseillante (Elusive Quality), a 9-2 shot, got off to a slow start before finishing seventh, beaten a length for the show spot.

5th-GPX, \$48,000, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, 7 1/2f, 1:29 1/5, ft.

GOLD TRIPPI (g, 4, Trippi--Christmas Gold, by Slew o' Gold), who earned a 101 Beyer when second by a neck to Merchant Marine (Tiznow) in an optional claimer at Belmont Oct. 6, closed out 2007 with a score in a similar contest at Aqueduct Nov. 9. Sent off as the 5-2 third choice to Merchant Marine here, the Florida-bred chestnut raced three wide, set his sights on pacesetter Gstaad (Storm Cat--Cash Run) in the lane and got the better of that rival late to prevail by a neck in a blanket finish. Merchant Marine was a head back in third, while Shadwell's U.S. debuter Mach Glory (Arg) (Honour and Glory) rounded out the superfecta. The winner is a half-brother to Christmas Lights (Citidancer), SW, \$172,041. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-2, \$121,504. O-E Paul Robsham Stables LLC. B-E Paul Robsham (FL). T-Stanley M Hough.

Gulfstream Results cont. p2

**THREE CHIMNEYS** TODAY'S
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- 3:06p HRTV 5th-GP, \$40.5K, Alw, 3yo, 1 1/16mT**
HALL OF FAMER (Grand Slam) was a good-looking winner at first asking Dec. 17 at Calder for Dogwood and Christophe Clement. A 1/2 to GSW Fifth Overture and SW Lake Music as well as a 3/4-brother to SW & GISP Gold From the West, the \$250K KEEAPR juvenile has his work cut out here from post 10. brisnet.com pps
- 4:30p HRTV 8th-GP, \$59.5K, Opt. Clm. (\$100K), 4yo/up, 1mT**
EINSTEIN (BRZ) (Spend a Buck), winner of the 2006 GI Gulfstream Park BC H., makes his first start since losing his rider while avoiding a spill in the GII Dixie S. on the Preakness undercard. The six-year-old captured the GII Mervin Muniz Mem. H. last March. Making his U.S. bow is **Elusive Fort (SAf) (Fort Wood)**, a multiple Group 1 winner in his native land. Marty Wolfson, who hits at 43% with runners transferred to him, will saddle the six-year-old. brisnet.com pps
- 4:58p HRTV 9th-GP, \$40K, Msw, (S), 3yo, 7f**
VALDERO (Johannesburg), a \$300K OBSFEB purchase, kicks off his career emboldened by a sparkling work tab. The Todd Pletcher trainee was produced by a 1/2 to MGISW Adoration and GSP Mo Mon. He faces **Hyrule (Smart Strike)**, who adds blinkers while cutting back to a dirt sprint for trainer Bill Mott. The chestnut was second in a pair of one-turn efforts before finishing seventh on the grass at AQU. brisnet.com pps

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4th-GPX, \$41,500, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:39 1/5, fm.

RAHYSTRADA (c, 4, [Rahy](#)--Ministrada, by Deputy Minister), a half-brother to Lone Star Sky (Conquistador Cielo), GSW, \$504,995, won first time out at Ellis at two, but was limited to three outings in 2007. The chestnut came up a head short as the runner-up in a Churchill allowance May 17, but hadn't faced the starter since. Sent off at 5-1 in his return to action, the homebred tracked the leaders, put his head in front approaching the quarter pole and outbattled Holiday Trip (Trippi) to win by a neck. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: SP, 7-2-2-2, \$69,385. O/B-Jaime S Carrion Trustee (KY). T-Frank L Brothers.

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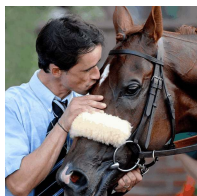
5:34p 4th-SA, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, f, 1mT

HRTV BE GLORIOUS ([Red Bullet](#)), third by a head in her Dec. 7 debut in an off-the-turfer at Hollywood, gets another chance after last weekend's racing was washed out. The Stronach homebred is a 1/2 to GISW Citronnade, Canadian champions Primaly and Poetically, and GSW Whiskey Wisdom. Also making her second start is **Wilshire Boulevard ([Sadler's Wells](#)),** who was beaten 5 1/4 lengths when ninth going down the hill Oct. 20. Vladimir Cerin trains the bay, a granddaughter of MGSW Number and inbred 3x3 to famed broodmare Special. [brisnet.com pps](#)

7:09p 7th-SA, \$57K, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

HRTV MISSISSIPPIAN (IRE) ([Montjeu {Ire}](#)), a 350K guineas yearling, was a smooth winner of his lone previous start for trainer Aidan O'Brien, an Oct. 24 maiden at Navan. Purchased privately by his current connections, the dark bay will have Lasix for his Stateside debut. [brisnet.com pps](#)

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6th-GPX, \$48,000, Msw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41, fm. DINNER GUEST (g, 4, [Orientate](#)--Romantic Dinner, by Who's for Dinner) lost the lead late and settled for second last out in a Churchill maiden Nov. 23. The 4-1 third choice here, he tracked Liscarroll (El Prado {Ire}) from the start, headed that horse turning for home and got by him late to graduate by a length. He is a half-brother to Lady Gin (Saint Ballado), MSW, \$227,098; and Sea of Green (Seacliff), MSW & GSP, \$526,797. Lifetime Record: 7-1-3-0, \$61,300. O-KZ Stable LLC. B-Ocala Stud Farm (FL). T-Dale L Romans.

9th-GPX, \$40,000, Msw, (S), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:25 2/5, ft. INDIAN HALLOWEEN (f, 3, [Sunday Break {Jpn}](#)--Indian Halo, by Halo), a half-sister to Indian Ocean (Stormy Atlantic), GSW, \$176,460, made up some ground to check in fourth in her Nov. 15 career bow at Churchill. Never too far from the front this time, the 7-2 third choice made her way to the lead approaching the stretch and outfinished Pocket Angel (Aptitude) to score by a length. A \$60,000 OBSOCT weanling and a \$90,000 KEESEP yearling, the winner is also a 3/4-sister to Megan's Halo (Jules), MSW, \$115,207. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,980.

O-Sumaya US Stables. B-George & Lee Ann Isaacs (FL). T-Todd A Pletcher.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

AQUEDUCT

Urban Flight (Castle Gandolfo), 4f, :47.84, •1/9

BELMONT (training track)

Bishop Court Hill (Holy Bull), 4f, :50.90, 28/35

FAIR GROUNDS

Coolwind (Forest Wildcat), 5f, 1:01.40, 4/18
Saada (Thunder Gulch), 4f (g), :47.00, •1/29

GULFSTREAM

Dr. Pleasure (Thunder Gulch), 5f, 1:00.00, 2/14

PALM MEADOWS

Commentator (Distorted Humor), 5f, :59.80, •1/13
Phantom Income (Montbrook), 5f, 1:00.80, 2/13
War Pass (Cherokee Run), 3f, :37.00, 5/14

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★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-FGX, \$40,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m (off turf), 1:40, sy. **MAPMAKER** (c, 3, Unbridled's Song--Biscayne Bay, by A.P. Indy), produced by a 3/4-sister to champion Surfside (Seattle Slew), ran third in his turf bow over the local sod Dec. 6, but found himself on the also-eligibles this time. Going postward as the 5-2 favorite after drawing in when the race was taken off the turf, the chestnut was forwardly placed from the start. He collared Beyond Ready (More Than Ready) with two furlongs remaining and went on to defeat that colt by a neck. Moral Fiber (Honor Glide) ran eighth. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, \$31,585.

O/B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-Dallas Stewart.

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IN BRITAIN:

Flores Sea, g, 4, **Luhuk**--Perceptive, by Capote. Southwell, 1-10, Hcp, 4yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Beckie McLay-Irons. *\$5,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

Dodaa, g, 5, **Dayjur**--Ra'a (SW-GB), by Diesis (GB). Wolverhampton, 1-9, Cond, 4yo/up, 5f 20yds (AWT). B-Silverleaf Farm Inc. *\$13,500 wnlg '03 KEENOV; 50,000gns yrl '04 DONSEP. **Full to Musafi, MSW, \$254,846.

IN PERU:

Gramsci, c, 3, **Flatter**--Hem, by Forty Niner. Monterrico, 1-5, Alw, 8f, 1:40.80. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$4,800. O-Stud Porte Bonheur; B-Charles Ness. T-Luis Quimper. *\$6,000 yrlg '06 KEEJAN.

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- 01-26 \$500,000 **Sunshine Millions Distaff, GP**, [R], 4yo/up, f/m, 9f
- 01-26 \$500,000 **Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Turf, SA**, [R], 9fT
- 01-26 \$300,000 **Sunshine Millions Sprint, GP**, [R], 4yo/up, 6f
- 01-26 \$300,000 **Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Sprint, SA**, [R], 4yo/up, f/m, 6f
- 01-26 \$250,000 **Sunshine Millions Dash, SA**, [R], 3yo, 6f
- 01-26 \$250,000 **Sunshine Millions Oaks, GP**, [R], 3yo, f, 6f

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Cushion or Dirt; Pletcher Will Stay at Santa Anita:

Trainer Todd Pletcher, the winner of the Eclipse Award the last three year's, plans to keep his horses at Santa Anita Park, regardless of whether track officials



Ravel Benoit Photo

decide to stick with the Cushion Track or if the decision is made to replace it with a traditional dirt track. "A dirt surface isn't going to discourage us," said Pletcher. "In fact, we might run more horses. We like dirt." Pletcher, who currently has 35 horses stabled at Hollywood Park,

will be well represented in this weekend's graded stakes at the Arcadia oval. **Talk of a Cat** (Tale of the Cat) is scheduled to participate in Saturday's GIII San Rafael S., while **Ravel** (Fusaichi Pegasus) will mark his 2008 debut the same day in the GII San Fernando S.

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7th-SA (Alw) Down (Mr. Greeley) does her best Silky Sullivan impression.

7th-FG (Msw) Mapmaker (Unbridled's Song) posts a popular victory.

4th-GP (Alw) Rahystrada (Rahy) rallies to take his 2008 opener.

9th-GP (Msw) Indian Halloween (Sunday Break {Jpn}) wins in her second try.

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Yesterday's Results:

7th-SAX, \$55,400, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:35 1/5, ft.

DOWN (f, 4, Mr. Greeley--Up We Go {MGSP, \$229,054}, by Waquoit) looked like a superstar in the making when she came from the clouds to be a close third in the 2006 GI Hollywood Starlet. Graduating two starts later over the Belmont lawn last July, the roan became unhinged in the GI Test S., finishing 11th.

Moved back to the grass for her next three, the filly failed to regain her early luster, but did manage a third in an \$80,000 optional claimer going 6 1/2 panels over this turf course Oct. 21. On the board on the Hollywood Cushion Track in her two latest, including a closing third Dec. 15, Down was sent off the 2-1 choice here. Well back the early going, the Maryland-bred swung out wide for the stretch run, dug in to catch the early leaders in deep stretch and got up in time to record a 3/4-length victory over Queens Full (Indian Charlie). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: GISP, 11-2-2-4, \$150,699.

O-Michael Bello. B-Mrs Richard C duPont (MD). T-Robert J Frankel.

3rd-SAX, \$55,000, Msw, 3yo, 1mT, 1:36 3/5, fm. VICTORY PETE (c, 3, [Five Star Day](#)--Blabby B., by Tabasco Cat), a \$75,000 BESMAR acquisition, debuted with a fourth to Into Mischief Oct. 21 at Oak Tree. Sixth at Hollywood Nov. 18, he improved to be fourth when sent long over the same all-weather surface Dec. 14 and was favored at 2-1 in this turf bow. The Florida-bred bay broke alertly and went up to take the lead, but was reined in by Joe Talamo entering the backstretch. He stalked the pace, switched to the outside turning for home, hit the front and repulsed all comers to win by a neck over Shem Tov (Unusual Heat), with Come in Almighty (Thunder Gulch) a nose further back in third. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$35,620.

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

ALDEBARAN (Mr. Prospector), Darby Dan, \$50K, 150/10/0
7-LRL, Msw, 1 1/16m, Raisa, 6-1

AMERICAN SPIRIT (Storm Boot), Double Diamond, \$2K, 19/1/0
5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Ablaze With Spirit, 15-1

CAPSIZED (Summer Squall), Windfall, \$4K, 68/4/0
8-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Nitro Active

CASTLE GANDOLFO (Gone West), Dead, \$7K, 39/3/0
10-FG, Msw, 6f, Linda Lu Lu, \$8K LTB SPR yrl, 15-1

COMIC GENIUS (Unbridled), Doubletree, \$3K, 50/5/0
8-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Skar, 4-1

DECARCHY (Distant View), Magali, \$5K, 99/7/1
8-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Decarchyan

DREWMAN (Unbridled), Ocala Stud, \$3K, 123/14/0
7-AQU, Aoc, 6f, Theycallmetater

EARLY FLYER (Gilded Time), Valor, 63/9/1
7-AQU, Aoc, 6f, Api Mohkat, \$30K EAS SEP yrl

EASYFROMTHEGITGO (Dehere), 519 Tbreeds, 56/3/0
10-FG, Msw, 6f, Gittin Cozy, 9-2

EMPIRE MAKER (Unbridled), Juddmonte, \$100K, 185/8/3
7-FG, Msw, 1mT, Our New Empire, \$150K EAS SEP yrl, 12-1

FLATTER (A.P. Indy), Claiborne, \$5K, 145/18/1
11-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Flat Out Run

11-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Silver Flatters, \$5K KEE SEP yrl

FULL MANDATE (A.P. Indy), Hartley, 173/13/1
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Full Makeover, \$30K FTK JUL yrl, 7-2
9-GP, Msw, 7f, +A Bee C, \$100K FTK JUL yrl, 8-1

GULF STORM (Storm Cat), Lou-Roe, \$4K, 135/12/1
5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Alycero, \$11K OBS OCT wnl, 12-1

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 169/24/4
7-LRL, Msw, 1 1/16m, Sharp Street, \$90K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1

HOLD THAT TIGER (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$15K, 249/23/2
7-FG, Msw, 1mT, Winning Idea, \$100K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

INDY KING (A.P. Indy), Adena South, \$2K, 56/3/0

5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Indy's Ahyoka, \$27K OBS APR 2yo, 8-1
MILWAUKEE BREW (Wild Again), Adena South, \$15K, 161/16/0

5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Cyryaco, \$37K OBS AUG yrl, 12-1

5-HAW, Msw, 6f, Cervesa Especial, \$30K OBS AUG yrl, 7-2

NO ARMISTICE (Unbridled), Country Life, \$3K, 64/3/0

7-LRL, Msw, 1 1/16m, Eye of the Cat, \$13K FTK OCT yrl, 30-1

OKAWANGO (Kingmambo), 91/6/1

4-SA, Msw, 1mT, Shake It Off (Ire)

POSSE (Silver Deputy), Vinery, \$10K, 154/24/7

7-AQU, Aoc, 6f, Possetothemax

PROUD CITIZEN (Gone West), Airdrie, \$13K, 210/21/3

5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Joe's Plum, \$130K KEE SEP yrl, 8-5

REPENT (Louis Quatorze), Cloverleaf II, \$5K, 155/20/2

9-GP, Msw, 7f, +Destiny's Image, \$25K OBS WIN yrl, 10-1

9-GP, Msw, 7f, Wardyan, \$30K OBS AUG yrl, 20-1

SAY FLORIDA SANDY (Personal Flag), Buckridge, \$5K, 81/1/1

6-AQU, Msw, 1 1/8m, Patent Pending Tom

SHORE BREEZE (Danzig), Eagle Valley, \$5K, 58/8/0

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, Audreys Aliby, \$6K ILL HRA 2yo, 10-1

SLIGO BAY (IRE) (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 126/9/1

5-FG, Msw, 1mT, South Beach Luv, 8-1

SPEED JARO (FR) (Take Risks {Fr}), 11/1/0

8-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Indianski

TRUST N LUCK (Montbrook), Vinery, \$9K, 117/9/1

5-HAW, Msw, 6f, Our Lucky Gray, \$8K KEE SEP yrl, 5-2

VOLPONI (Cryptoclearance), Hopewell, \$, 92/12/3

6-AQU, Msw, 1 1/8m, Hoist the Gala, \$33K OBS APR 2yo

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IN DUBAI:

Malahem (Ire), g, 6, **Mark of Esteem (Ire)**--Majmu (GSW-Eng), by Al Nasr (Fr). Nad Al Sheba, 1-10, Hcp., 2000mT. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd; T-Erwan Charpy. *1/2 to Muhtathir (GB) (Elmaamul), Hwt. Older Horse-Ity at 7-9.5f, Co-Hwt. Older Horse-Eng, 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Horse-Ity at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Horse-UAE at 9.5-11f, G1SW-Ity & Fr, MGSW-Eng, MSP-UAE, \$686,034.

Public Forum (GB), h, 6, **Rainbow Quest**--Valentine Girl (GB) (MSW & GSP-Eng), by Alzao. Nad Al Sheba, 1-10, Hcp., 2400m. O-Salman Mussallam Al Shalahi; B-Juddmote Farms; T-Musabah al Muhairi. *32,000gns HRA '06 TATHIT.

Instant Recall (Ire), g, 7, **Indian Ridge (Ire)**--Happy Memories (Ire), by Thatching (Ire). Nad Al Sheba, 1-10, Hcp., 1500mT. O-Salman Mussallam Al Shalahi; B-Frank Dunne; T-Musabah al Muhairi. *140,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT; 35,000gns HRA '04 TATHIT.

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GEORGE MOORE DIES George Moore, the legendary Australian jockey whose 119 wins at Group 1 level remain the standard some 36 years after his retirement, passed away Tuesday night in Sydney following many years of ill health. The 84-year-old lost a leg to diabetes two years ago, and was also suffering from Alzheimer's disease at the time of his death, his second son, Macau trainer Gary Moore, told *South China Morning Post*. Born in Queensland in 1923, he debuted in the saddle at the age of 15 under the tutelage of trainer Louis Dahl in Brisbane. He relocated to Sydney in the 1940s and became most famous for his sometimes tempestuous association with trainer T. J. Smith. In 1949, the two teamed to win the AJC Australia Derby with 100-1 shot Playboy (Aus), the first of Moore's 35 Derby winners. Moore and Smith achieved possibly their greatest successes courtesy of Tulloch (NZ), a four-time champion in Australia between 1957 and 1961. In 1958, Moore ventured overseas and won 21 times in a month for trainer Alec Head and returned to Europe in 1967 to guide Royal Palace (GB) to victory in the Epsom Derby. He last rode in 1971, but went out with a bang, winning the Victoria Derby aboard Classic Mission (NZ). Following his retirement from the saddle, Moore relocated to Hong Kong and became a trainer, winning 11 titles in his 13 years. He stepped down following the 1984-1985 season, handing over the reins to his son John Moore, who won the training title in his first year. Moore remains one of Hong Kong's leading trainers today. George Moore is immortalized by a medal carrying his name which is awarded to Sydney's outstanding jockey from year to year. Moore was the first jockey inducted into the Australian Sporting Hall of Fame in 1986 and was an inaugural inductee to the Racing Hall of Fame in 2001. A public funeral will likely be held in Sydney late next week, John Moore said.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Chattahoochee War (War Chant), 5f, 1:01.00, 25/38
 Costume (GB) (Dansili {GB}), 4f, :49.20, 14/29
 Foxysox (GB) (Foxhound), 3f, :37.80, 7/10
 Siren Lure (Joyeux Danseur), 4f, :47.00, 2/29

SANTA ANITA

Daytona (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), 4fT, :50.00, •1/7
 Desert Code (E Dubai), 5f, 1:00.80, 30/101
 Greg's Gold (Lake George), 5f, 1:01.60, 44/101
 Horse Greeley (Mr. Greeley), 4f, :51.80, 59/61
 Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday), 6f, 1:14.60, 17/42
 Medici Code (GB) (Medicean {GB}), 6fT, 1:15.80, •1/3
 Tasha's Miracle (Harlan's Holiday), 5f, 1:01.20, 37/101



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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-FGX, \$42,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:41 2/5, sy.

CLASSIC MIRAGE (f, 4, Classic Alliance--Jessica Make Music, by Slew o' Gold) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-3, \$66,655. O/B-Joe Duhon & David N Meche (LA). T-Joe Duhon.

9th-FGX, \$41,000, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47 1/5, sy.

MARQUISE (f, 4, Cape Town--Diamond Dream, by Harperstown) Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-0, \$87,864. O-Carl E Raabe. B-Carl Raabe (KY). T-William I Mott. *1/2 to Southern Surprise (Northern Prospect), SW, \$334,684.

4th-HAW, \$38,080, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$40,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18 2/5, ft.

MISSY BISCUIT (f, 3, Silic {Fr}--Missy Monarch, by Wavering Monarch) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$45,100. O/B-Gary & Beth Leverton (IL). T-Frank J Kirby. *1/2 to Miss Classified (Classified Facts), MSP, \$216,990.

8th-LRL, \$36,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000-\$35,000), C, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

PLACE YOUR BET (g, 4, Out of Place--Hishi Pebble, by Northern Prospect) Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-5-2-2, \$131,145. O-TradeWinds Stable. B-Pegasus Stud LLC & Marablu Farm (FL). T-Scott A Lake. *\$25,000 yrl '05 FTMOCT. **GII Swale S. winner Adore the Gold (Formal Gold) finished fourth at 4-5.

7th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5, gd.

DENOUNCER'S GAL (m, 5, Denouncer--Crusading Native, by Crusader Sword) Lifetime Record: 19-7-1-1, \$77,180. O-Tim W Rosin. B-John Hillebrand (IL). T-George L Weir.

8th-HAW, \$28,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, gd.

SUAVE DOTTIE M. (m, 5, Suave Prospect--Bold Leita, by Singular) Lifetime Record: 18-7-3-4, \$91,260. O-Matteucci, Leo, Fattore, Robert, Boni, Lido and Cristel, Judy. B-Joanne Houle (FL). T-Mark J Cristel.

8th-CTX, \$27,000, 1-9, NW3LX, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:21 1/5, ft.

CEDAR RUN'S EMBLEM (m, 5, Our Emblem--Minister's Lady, by Mane Minister) Lifetime Record: SP, 19-5-5-1, \$140,508. O-Cleil W Albrite Jr. B-Maurice F Casey III DVM (WV). T-Timothy C Grams.

7th-CTX, \$27,000, 1-9, NW3LX, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:28 4/5, ft.

ON ONE NOD (g, 4, Wheelaway--Live Band, by Dixie Brass) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-3, \$49,530. O-Joho Racing Stable. B-Edition Farm (NY). T-Skoobie Schneider. *\$500 wlng '04 FTMDEC.

5th-TAM, \$20,200, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m, 1:38 4/5, ft.

JOAN'S ROYAL DAWN (f, 4, Eltish--Big Royal Dawn, by Dawn Quixote) Lifetime Record: 22-5-3-2, \$79,499. O-John Cruise Racing Inc. B-Mr & Mrs Frank Ambrosio (FL). T-John Cruise.

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Tuffend, c, 3, **Precise End**--Solid Claim, by Mining. AQU, 1-10, (S), (C), 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Sez Who Thoroughbreds (NY). *\$81,000 yrl '06 OBSAUG.

Strategic Weapon, g, 3, **Strategic Intent**--Diva Devil Gayle, by Malagra. FGX, 1-10, (S), 1m, 1:41 2/5. B-J Patrick Lee Racing LLC (LA).

Sterling Niner, c, 4, **Luhuk**--Fauffy (SW, \$126,969), by Creole Dancer. CTX, 1-9, 6 1/2f, 1:22 2/5. B-Andrena F Van Doren (KY).

Valley View Gem, f, 4, **Our Valley View**--Jewel Raiser, by I'ma Hell Raiser. CTX, 1-10, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:23 3/5. B-Marion Eastham Sharp (WV). *\$2,000 2yo 2006 CTNSEP.

+ **Saratoga Tango**, f, 4, **Successful Appeal**--Dark Tango, by Roanoke. TAM, 1-10, 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable (TX). *\$115,000 yrl '05 KEESEP; \$37,000 HRA '07 KEEJAN.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Furnasatt (GB), c, 3, **Dr Fong**--Rabadan (Ire), by Warning (GB). Pisa, Italy, 1-9, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4mT. B-Azienda Agricola Francesca.

Chivola (Ire), c, 3, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Boudica (Ire), by Alhaarth (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-10, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 20yds (AWT). B-Mohammad Al-Qatami. *45,000gns 2yo '07 DONAPR.

Calculating (Ire), g, 4, **Machiavellian**--Zaheemah (GSW-GB), by El Prado (Ire). Southwell, Britain, 1-10, Mdn, 4yo/up, 1 3/8m (AWT). B-Darley. *\$225,000 yrl '05 KEESEP; 13,000gns HIT '07 TATJUL.

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WINNERS WERE UP TO AS 2-YEAR-OLDS...**

2007 STREET SENSE - *Capped championship season with a 10-length score in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile.*

2006 BARBARO - *Won Laurel Futurity Nov. 19 by 8 lengths.*

2005 GIACOMO - *Broke maiden Oct. 22 at Santa Anita. Second to champion Declan's Moon in GI Hollywood Futurity Dec. 18.*

2004 SMARTY JONES - *Won Pennsylvania Nursery S. Nov. 22 by 15 lengths.*

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Birthdate: 1992. **Birthplace:** Ontario, Canada

First question. So are you really smart, or is it just a name? Ah, I'm pretty smart, I guess. **Quick quiz?** Go. **Capital of Vermont?** Montpelier. **Youngest president to occupy the oval office?** Roosevelt. Theodore. **You weigh more or less 1000 feet underground?** Less. **Who performed the first triple jump in figure skating?** Dick Button. In 1952.

Wow. I told you so.

You and your barnmates had a pretty good year as sires. Yep, and it didn't cause a small amount of animosity at Lane's End. When Curlin beat Lawyer Ron in the Jockey Club Gold Cup, Langfuhr was furious. No, wait, he was Langfurious! Ha! Get it?!

Yeah. We get it. Sorry.

Anything else? Well, A.P. Indy--who mind you wouldn't shut up for a year after Mineshaft was named Horse of the Year a while back--got a bit big for his britches when Rags to Riches beat my Curlin in the Belmont. 'Holy cow! Even my daughters can beat your boys! Wow, am I an amazing sire or what?!' It got old real quick.

What about the Breeders' Cup? Man, I'm just so proud of those kids, Curlin and English Channel. Curlin called me nearly every day for a month after the Classic. 'Hey pop, you see that? You see how fast I ran? Soooo fast!' I just told him to stay focused and not get a big head. And I was always worried about English Channel. I always read that grass was bad for you and would make you stupid. Ha! Get it?!

Yeah. We get it. Sorry.

Favorite sport? You would think being from Ontario, it'd be hockey, but I'm a football fan. Will Farish and I have a bet on the table if the Colts and the Cowboys--Will's a Texan, you know--make it to the Super Bowl. Ha! The Cowboys?! Not with that secondary, Mr. Farish!

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