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PYROTECHNICS LIKELY IN THE RISEN STAR

The Triple Crown trail is just getting underway, but today's GIII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds can produce some early fireworks. **Pyro** (Pulpit) had the misfortune of hooking two-year-old champ War Pass in three straight outings following a game Churchill maiden win at first asking in July. The handsome dark bay finished a troubled third behind the Robert LaPenta colorbearer



Pyro working at Fair Grounds
Lou Hodges Jr.

in a \$75,000 optional claimer at Saratoga Aug. 26, then placed a good second at 32-1 in the GI Champagne S. Oct. 6. Pyro closed out his juvenile campaign with a second-place finish over the sloppy going at Monmouth Park in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Oct. 27. The Winchell homebred has been training smartly in the Big Easy with stablemate and Horse of the Year Curlin. His Beyer Speed Figures of 78 and 80 don't exactly jump off the page, but **Signature Move** (Vindication)'s last two victories in Southern California are worth a second look. After racing a bit headstrong in the early stages, the \$625,000 KESESEP yearling purchase powered clear to post a 1 1/4-length maiden win at Hollywood last December ([Video](#)). Facing only three rivals in his first attempt against allowance foes, Signature Move coasted home to an effortless 2 1/4-length decision at Santa Anita Jan. 4 ([Video](#)). "He shipped over good and he's training really well," trainer Eric Guillot said by phone yesterday. "He just finished schooling in the paddock 10 minutes ago and he looked great. I wanted to give him some shipping experience, a dirt track and a test of class and [today] we'll find all of those answers out. If you want to be a Derby horse, you need to get tested. This horse is a legitimate horse. He ran his last sixteenth with a ton of horse left last time. He could have run a mile and a quarter that day."

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JUV. FILLIES REMATCH IN THE BIG EASY

Proud Spell (Proud Citizen) looks to turn the tables on champion **Indian Blessing** (Indian Charlie) in today's GIII Silverbulletday S. The winner of the GII Matron S., she was 3 1/2 lengths adrift of the Eclipse winner when second in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. While she has not been out since, Indian Blessing came back in the Jan. 13 GII Santa Ynez S. and held onto her unbeaten streak, but just barely. Three lengths on top at midstretch after dashing off the first three-quarters in 1:07 flat, she was all out to hold off Golden Doc A by a head in that seven-furlong affair.



Indian Blessing
Equi-Photo

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 3:55 p.m. CST

SILVERBULLETDAY S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Jolie the Cat	Tale of the Cat	Asmussen	5-1
2	Highest Class	Mineshaft	Howard	10-1
3	Miss Missile	Golden Missile	Smith	12-1
4	Absolutely Cindy	Arch	Kinmon	6-1
5	Proud Spell	Proud Citizen	Jones	7-2
6	High Surf	Storm Cat	Stewart	15-1
7	Indian Blessing	Indian Charlie	Baffert	4-5

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The Road to the Derby Begins...

Blackberry Road (Gone West), a half to champion Vindication, figures to improve off his second-place finish behind the unbeaten **Z Fortune** (Siphon {Brz}) in the GIII LeComte S. over this strip Jan. 12. Owned by Dogwood Stable, the dark bay previously rallied to a third-place finish in the GIII Kentucky Cup Juvenile S. at Turfway last September before completing the exacta in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. Nov. 24. "The Risen Star has shaped up to be plenty tough,"



2008 GIII LeComte S.
Lou Hodges Jr.

Dogwood's Cot Campbell said on the company's website. "We know our colt will run his best--he is a natural born closer--and we just hope that he does not encounter traffic problems nor have to run into a pace where there have been soft fractions up front. Blackberry Road has schooled in the paddock and he's definitely ready for his best effort. All we need now is for the Racing Gods to smile on us." Z Fortune handled his first test against open company in the LeComte with flying colors after posting maiden and first-level allowance victories against Empire-breds.

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RISEN STAR S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Check It Twice <i>(c, Repent Christmas List, by Out of Place)</i>	Cloverleaf/S Robbins et al	Cloverleaf Farms II-FL	Pletcher Velazquez	Scr
2	Blackberry Road <i>(c, Gone West--Strawberry Reason, by Strawberry Road {Aus})</i>	Dogwood Stable	Payson Stud Inc-KY	Carroll Borel	5-1
3	Visionaire <i>(c, Grand Slam--Scarlet Tango, by French Deputy)</i>	Team Valor & Vision Racing	Reiley McDonald-KY	Matz Lezcano	6-1
4	Bonanza <i>(c, Jump Start--Explore the Gold, by Fast Gold)</i>	W S Farish & M Seltzer	Marilyn Seltzer-KY	Casse Husbands	15-1
5	Unbridled Vicar <i>(g, Vicar--Unaffordable, by Unbridled)</i>	James B Tafel LLC	James Tafel-KY	Geier Lanerier	15-1
6	Rich Young Ruler <i>(c, Victory Gallop--Scratch Paper, by Notebook)</i>	Greg Norman	Brylynn Farm-FL	Daughn Arguello	30-1
7	The Darp <i>(c, Proud Citizen--Silver Savior, by Silver Deputy)</i>	Oxbow/Prestonwood	Spooky Hollow Racing-KY	Werner Albarado	15-1
8	Pyro <i>(c, Pulpit--Wild Vision, by Wild Again)</i>	Winchell Thoroughbreds	Winchell Thoroughbreds-KY	Asmussen Bridgmohan	3-1
9	Signature Move <i>(c, Vindication--Swingin on Ice, by El Prado {Ire})</i>	Southern Equine Stables	Don Amos-KY	Guillot M Baze	6-1
10	Peteadoris <i>(c, Smart Strike--Marie's Pride, by Saratoga Six)</i>	R Wadleigh & S Yuratich	Ralph J Wadleigh-LA	Amoss Graham	20-1
11	Z Fortune <i>(c, Siphon {Brz}--Fortunate Faith, by Fortunate Prospect)</i>	Zayat Stables	Delehanty Stock Farm-NY	Asmussen Gomez	7-2
12	Prince Cortez <i>(c, Repent--Ranba, by Relaunch)</i>	Casa Farms I	Cloverleaf Farms II-FL	Amoss Leparoux	12-1



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5:28p Risen Star S.-GIII, FG	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
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Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 1:30 p.m. PST
SANTA MARIA H.-GI, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Dawn After Dawn	Successful Appeal	Sadler	8-1
2	Double Trouble (Brz)	Wild Event	Frankel	7-2
3	Sweet Belle	Deputy Commander	DeLima	10-1
4	Tough Tiz's Sis	Tiznow	Baffert	7-5
5	Somethinaboutlaura	Dance Floor	Hollendorfer	5-2
6	Zardana (Brz)	Crimson Tide (Ire)	McAnally	6-1

Somethinaboutlaura, a two-time heroine of the seven-furlong Gill A Gleam Invitational H., had a two-race winning streak snapped when dead-heating for fourth in the Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Turf at Santa Anita Jan. 26. The six-year-old posted back-to-back wins over the Golden Gate Tapeta in the Pacific Heights S. Dec. 1 and the Campanile S. Jan. 1. She seeks her first win at the highest level. **Tough Tiz's Sis**



Somethinaboutlaura
Benoit photo

looks to go one better following strong runner-up efforts in the GII Bayakoa H. Dec. 1 and the GII El Encino S. Jan. 13. The bay gamely annexed the GI Lady's Secret H. over this course last October.

THREE CHIMNEYS
Winners' Circle Report

For the week ending February 8, 2008



Sky Mesa

TOP TEN SECOND CROP SIRE OF 2008

*Sky Mesa's first stakes winner is **SKY MYSTIC** (05 f. o/o Delicacy, by Pleasant Colony), who rallied impressively to win the \$100,000 California Oaks going 1-1/16 m. on the all weather track by a neck. Last at the quarter and the half, she swung out to be four wide into the stretch and rallied steadily. She broke her maiden on the turf in late October and won an allowance in November on the all weather surface by six and a half lengths. It's her third win in five starts and she's earned \$104,700 and vaults Sky Mesa to among the **Top Ten Second Crop Sires of 2008**.*

Owners: David and Jill Heerensperger. Breeder: Gaines-Gentry Thoroughbreds. [chart](#) [video](#)

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SQUARE DEAL (c. o/o Jaded, by Gone West) Owner: Dennis Narlinger. Trainer: Steven M. Asmussen. Breeder: Hio Stables, Inc.

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Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 3:30 pm. PST
LAS VIRGENES S.-GI, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Divine Legacy	Full Mandate	Currin	5-1
2	Czechers	Indian Charlie	Glatt	15-1
3	Lovely Isle	Double Honor	Frankel	3-1
4	Golden Doc A	Unusual Heat	Abrams	5-2
5	Peisinoe	Yes It's True	Gallagher	15-1
6	Tasha's Miracle	Harlan's Holiday	Sadler	7-2
7	Grace Anatomy	Aldebaran	O'Neill	7-2

Grace Anatomy showed plenty of potential in her juvenile season and looks to get back on track following a pair of disappointing efforts in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies and the GI Hollywood Starlet S. The GI Darley Alcibiades S. third-place finisher led in the stretch in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. before tiring late to place second last out Jan. 13. **Lovely Isle**, purchased privately by Michael Bello following a 16 1/2-length starter-allowance victory at the Big A in December, stretches to two turns following a disappointing seventh as the 6-5 chalk in the GII Old Hat S. at Gulfstream Jan. 12. **Tasha's Miracle**, heroine of last summer's GIII Sorrento S. at Del Mar, makes her first start since finishing fourth in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 4:00 p.m. PST
SAN ANTONIO H.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Big Booster	Accelerator	Mitchell	8-1
2	Racketeer	Awesome Again	Frankel	8-1
3	Zappa	Afternoon Deelites	Sadler	6-1
4	Awesome Gem	Awesome Again	C Dollase	9-2
5	Heatseeker (Ire)	Giant's Causeway	Hollendorfer	8-1
6	Sweetnorthernsaint	Sweetsouthernsaint	Trombetta	5-1
7	Rathor (Ire)	Machiavellian	Frankel	10-1
8	Student Council	Kingmambo	Cerin	7-2
9	Well Armed	Tiznow	Harty	6-1

Student Council thrived last term after being acquired by Ro Parra's Millennium Farms. The bay posted a 23-1 upset over Awesome Gem in the GI Pacific Classic S. Aug. 19 and followed with a victory in the GII Hawthorne Gold Cup H. Sept. 29. The six-year-old faces the starter for the first time since finishing a well-beaten eighth in the G1 Japan Cup Dirt Nov. 24. The first three finishers of the GII San Pasqual H.--**Zappa**, **Well Armed** and **Heatseeker**--meet again. **Sweetnorthernsaint**, best known for going off as the slight favorite in the 2006 GI Kentucky Derby, makes his California debut following a dismal sixth in the Holiday Cheer S. at Turfway Dec. 29.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:13 p.m. EST
FORWARD GAL S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Keep the Peace	Touch Gold	Kenneally	2-1
2	Cozy Mesa	Sky Mesa	Lukas	8-1
3	Bsharpsonata	Pulpit	Salzman	3-1
4	Sensational Love	War Chant	H A Jerkens	6-1
5	Melissa Jo	Fusaichi Pegasus	J Jerkens	4-1
6	Cape Cod Lady	Yonaguska	Garcia	15-1
7	Morakami	Fusaichi Pegasus	Arnold II	5-1

Keep the Peace, a perfect two-for-two, makes her stakes debut. A maiden winner at Churchill Downs in November, the \$65,000 KEESEP yearling earned

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ status with a seven-length allowance score at Gulfstream Park Jan. 4, and she could find herself alone on the lead again here. "I believe she's a flexible and manageable filly and doesn't need to be on the lead," trainer Eddie Kenneally told *Daily Racing Form*, "but on paper it sure looks like if she breaks sharp like she's done in her first two



starts, she should find herself in **Bsharpsonata** front." **Bsharpsonata** switches to the dirt and drops back to a sprint after two straight stakes wins on the grass. The Cloverleaf homebred captured the Nov. 24 Selima S. at Laurel and the Jan. 1 Tropical Park Oaks at Calder, but also proved she could handle the main track with a seven-length romp in the Irish Sonnet S. at Delaware Park back in September. **Melissa Jo** comes into this off a third in the Nov. 24 GII Demoiselle S. at the Big A and a troubled second in the Jan. 12 GII Old Hat S. over this track. She gets Lasix for the first time today.

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 2:55 p.m. CST
MINESHAFT H.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Encaustic	Broad Brush	Asmussen	12-1
2	Grasshopper	Dixie Union	Howard	5-2
3	Stonehouse	Chester House	Broussard	10-1
4	Island Warrior	Cherokee Run	Stewart	10-1
5	Silver Lord	Unbridled's Song	Asmussen	9-2
6	Magna Graduate	Honor Grades	Pletcher	2-1
7	Better Than Bonds	Sweetsouthernsaint	Motion	7-2

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Grasshopper makes his first start since finishing second as the 3-10 chalk in the Sept. 22 GII Super Derby. The four-year-old, first or second in six of his seven career starts, was a half-length behind Street Sense when making his stakes bow in the GI Travers S. last August. His connections opted to give him time off after his Super Derby upset, and trainer Neil Howard is cautiously optimistic about his chances in his return. About his preparation for the



Grasshopper (inside)
Adam Coglianese

Mineshaft, Howard told *Daily Racing Form*, "You're trying to do the most difficult thing to do. You want him to be ready, but you don't want to blow the hair off his back."

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 3:25 p.m. CST
FAIR GROUNDS H.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	French Beret	Broad Brush	Frostad	10-1
2	Silverfoot	With Approval	Stewart	12-1
3	Warn	War Chant	Werner	20-1
4	Sterwins	Runaway Groom	Pierce	6-1
5	Better Talk Now	Talkin Man	Motion	3-1
6	Baby First (Fr)	Enrique (GB)	Guillot	15-1
7	Jazz Quest	Jambalaya Jazz	Amoss	6-1
8	Daytona (Ire)	Indian Ridge (Ire)	Hendricks	7-2
9	Save Big Money	Storm Cat	Howard	10-1
10	Inca King	Sir Cat	Asmussen	9-2

MGISW **Better Talk Now** looks to add to his \$4-million bankroll in his first winter-time appearance in five years. The nine-year-old started just four times last season, winning the GI Manhattan H. in June and ending the year with a fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf. He has been in steady training at Fair Hill. "It's a little bit of unknown territory for us, but he gives me every indication that he's fine," trainer Graham Motion told *Daily Racing Form*. "From what I've seen, I'd be surprised if he's lost a step." If all goes well, Better Talk Now will head next to the Mar. 29 G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Nad Al Sheba.



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NO EXCUSES FOR DAAHER; STABLEMATE FOY BOUND Daaher (Awesome Again) has exited his disappointing seventh-place finish as the 4-5 favorite in last Saturday's GI Donn H. without injury, according to trainer Kieran McLaughlin. "We're still scratching our heads and throwing the whole thing out," McLaughlin said of the GI Hill 'n' Dale Cigar Mile winner's effort in the Donn. Daaher can earn a spot in the starting gate for the G1 Dubai World Cup Mar. 29 if he rebounds in his next start. "We'll nominate to everything, including the 1 3/16-miles race here," McLaughlin said of the GII Gulfstream Park H. Mar. 1. The Mar. 8 GII New Orleans H. at Fair Grounds and the GIII Razorback H. at Oaklawn Park are other possible targets for Daaher's next start. Edgewood Farm's **Make the Point** (Menifee), an impressive seven-furlong allowance winner in his sophomore bow at Gulfstream Jan. 24, will make his next start in the GII Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 24. The bay fired a four-furlong bullet in :48 4/5 at Palm Meadows Feb. 5. "He worked [Tuesday] really nice," McLaughlin offered. "He'll get another two works--probably on the 11th and 18th--and be ready to go."



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SEACHANGE LOOKS TO SECURE DUBAI BID

New Zealand standout **Seachange (NZ)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) will be favored in today's NZ\$200,000 G1 Waikato Draught Sprint at Te Rapa, a race which will confirm whether the mare heads to Dubai for the \$5-million G1 Dubai Duty Free Mar. 29. "If she goes to Dubai, she has to get there in the right condition," owner/breeder Karreman Bloodstock's Racing Manager, Rick Williams, told *The Dominion Post*. "If she doesn't win this weekend, there would be no point in going. But logic tells you she wins, and wins well. There's no such thing as a given, but you wouldn't be betting against her on Saturday." He added, "She's so well and is racing at weight-for-age over what is probably her best distance [1400 meters]." Seachange is coming off a score in the G1 Telegraph H. Jan. 19. If all goes to plan today, the brown mare will likely depart New Zealand next Monday, and will be given a prep at Nad Al Sheba in the G2 Jebel Hatta Mar. 6. "There are no other suitable races in New Zealand, and Australia is not an option," Williams continued. "By going over earlier, she can have a run over the same track and distance as the Duty Free, and if there are any hiccups, it gives us time to work around them. She will have to carry 60kg in the Jebel Hatta, but that is on a 55kg minimum, and she will drop back to weight-for-age in the big race." Seachange could head further afield if the Dubai venture goes well. "We will consider giving her two or three races in England, but she would need to win, or go close, in Dubai first," Williams added. "The stake is one of the main attractions of Dubai--it's a chance to get a huge payday, while going to England gives her a chance to internationalise her pedigree."

Thoro-Graph Race of the Week
by Jerry Brown

Saturday, Fair Grounds

FAIR GROUNDS H.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT
PP HORSE SIRE JOCKEY ODDS
1 French Beret Broad Brush Graham 10-1

Worked his way down to a good figure late in his three-year-old season, but it took a lot out of him, and he didn't get back to that level for 15 months, when he won a local stake last time out. This horse has a history of bouncing following big efforts (unusual for a grass stakes horse), and even his best would only make him a marginal contender here.

2 Silverfoot With Approval Leparoux 12-1

Was a top grass horse three years ago, not nearly as good the next year, and resurfaced recently after a long layoff at the age of eight with a mediocre effort. It's tough to play a horse to do something he hasn't done in three years.

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3 Warn War Chant Campbell 20-1
 Has never run fast enough to threaten here.

4 Sterwins Runaway Groom Husbands 6-1
 Has been the rare horse that can run stakes-level figures on both dirt and grass. In his first local appearance he won despite a very wide trip (4w4w, upper left), earning a big figure, before bouncing in a paceless race. He's about 50/50 to return to his top now, which at the weights and with a good draw makes him a strong contender.

5 Better Talk Now Talkin Man Dominguez 3-1
 Really wasn't much different at eight than he was at six and seven, except that he ran his best race less often. Now nine, he faces some serious obstacles here--he's spotting serious weight (five pounds is worth a point in the Thoro-Graph scales), and shipping into Fair Grounds from the north, which almost no one does successfully. He's not likely to run his best, and even if he does it only makes him a marginal contender.

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6 Baby First (Fr) Enrique (GB) M Baze 15-1

Was a decent three-year-old in France, and is another that returned recently following a very long layoff. He would need a significant jump forward to contend here, and normally second-off-a-layoff might be the time for that, but look how poorly the barn does in that category (see trainer profile).

7 Jazz Quest Jambalaya Jazz Velazquez 6-1

Ran 11 times last year, and every one was a paired top or a new one. Amoss added blinkers last time and got the best effort of this colt's life, and given his history and six weeks' rest, it's likely he'll pair up once again, which at the weights makes him a borderline contender.

8 Daytona (Ire) Indian Ridge (Ire) Smith 7-2

Developed quite a bit last year, and will be heavily bet here due to three straight graded-stakes wins in California. But the Thoro-Graph figures he earned in those races were just okay, and the advantage he will gain by saving ground on the lead here will be offset by the weight he spots his main rivals. A contender, but an underlay.

9 Save Big Money Storm Cat Albarado 10-1

Ran some good figures last year, but has not gotten back to them in three turf tries. He would need a significant forward move, and the post doesn't help.

10 Inca King Sir Cat Bridgmohan 9-2

Improved dramatically for Asmussen last fall, throwing two big figures in Kentucky. His local debut was not as good, but it came shortly after shipping north/south, and the way the barn is going, we expect a sharply improved effort this time. This colt has good tactical speed in a field lacking of same, and Bridgmohan is riding like a man possessed, so with a long run to the turn, we're not too concerned about the post. Very strong contender.

Bottom Line: Sterwins and Inca King are the two most likely winners, and Jazz Quest can be used at a price in the exotics.

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18 First Crop Winners to date...

including, DIVINE LEGACY, a Santa Anita maiden special weight winner in Jan. and a \$170,000 sale purchase.

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They have fantastic lamb, and several different kinds of mussels. Mostly, I like the bar area and just the feel of the place. It's especially nice in the summer because all the doors open onto the street and they put tables out on the sidewalk."

TOM BOZARTH, Mayor, Midway, KY; Arch Bloodstock LLC:

I was really pleased reading about the best restaurants in central Kentucky (Best Bets, *TDN*, 1/8/08; click [here](#) to download). I am proud that two Midway restaurants were mentioned. Charlie O'Connor's review on the Black Tulip is very accurate, as is Pete Bradley's review on Heirloom. Both are very good dining destinations. I wanted to mention two other dining destinations in Midway. I cannot say enough about our restaurants. I will put them up against any restaurants in central Kentucky. I encourage everyone to make the drive to Midway and have a fabulous meal.

HOLLY HILL INN

426 North Winter Street, Midway, KY. (859) 846-4732. www.hollyhillinn.com. Open for dinner Wednesday through Saturday beginning at 5:30. Reservations are strongly recommended.

Chris and Ouita Michel put Midway on the world food map when they opened Holly Hill Inn eight years ago. Their beautiful restaurant has a national reputation for Ouita's creative use of local meats, cheeses and vegetables, and for Chris's wine list, which gets the Wine Spectator Award of Excellence every year. It's the first place I think of when I want to take friends or clients or just enjoy a great meal. The seasonal, prix-fixe menu is always changing and always delicious and the service is friendly and professional. If the Bourbon County rack of lamb is available, be sure to try it. Whatever you order, you'll be impressed by the incredible food and service! Holly Hill Inn serves dinner Wednesday through Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and weekend brunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The restaurant is just outside of town near the I-64 interchange at 426 N. Winter St. Check out their website, and then call Donna for reservations!

BISTRO LA BELLE

121 Main St. E., Midway, KY. (859) 846-4233. [Http://bistrolabelle.googlepages.com](http://bistrolabelle.googlepages.com). Open for dinner Wednesday through Saturday from 5:30-9. Reservations suggested.

Bistro La Belle is celebrating their 10th year in Midway. The food is exceptional and it is located in beautiful downtown Midway on Main Street. The bistro has a gallery and bar adjacent to the restaurant. (*The Gallery Bar features live racing on TVG and HRTV on their new plasma screen t.v.*) They also serve local products and have a very interesting and affordable wine list. Laura Wolfrom is the owner and will make your dining experience an enjoyable time.

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(I also want to mention some other restaurants that are available for lunch. Darlin Jeans, Quirk, Le Marche and the Midway Corner Grocery for one of the best hamburgers you will ever eat. -Tom Bozarth)

BILL MALEY:
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380 South Mill Street, Lexington, KY. (859) 252-1010. www.dudleysrestaurant.com. Lunch: Mon. thru Sat. 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Sunday Brunch: 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Dinner: Sunday thru Thursday 5:30 to 10:00 pm. Friday and Sat. 5:30 to 11:00 pm.

Though I often enjoy trying the new boutique restaurants in the area, the one I always come back to, and the one that I think of first, is Dudley's. On almost any given evening, I can walk into the bar and have a conversation with someone who does exactly what I do. The menu is varied and creative, always providing a choice of several new dishes and a few tried-and-true ones, and the wine cellar is arguably the best in Kentucky. My favorite dish is one of the tried-and-trues: marchand du vin. It's a filet with a wonderful rich sauce made of butter, red wine and shallots. Add to that the presence of owner Debbie Long, with her bright smile and warm greeting, and it's hard to make myself go anywhere else.

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-GPX, \$44,500, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500-\$57,500), NW2X, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 2/5, fm.

RAHYSTRADA (g, 4, [Rahy](#)--Ministrada, by Deputy Minister) was stakes-placed on the grass at two and made the frame in each of his three starts last season, but was sidelined off a head defeat at Churchill Downs May 17. The half-brother to Lone Star Sky (Conquistador Cielo), GSW, \$504,995, made a successful return to competition, taking a Jan. 10 allowance over track and trip. Good value here at 4-1, the homebred stalked the early pace, edged to the front approaching the quarter pole and was fully extended to hold off Pick Six (Dynaformer) by a half-length. Lifetime Record: SP, 8-3-2-2, \$96,085. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O/B-Jaime S Carrion Trustee (KY). T-Frank L Brothers.

7th-GPX, \$48,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 1:37 4/5, ft. **SAMBA ROOSTER** (c, 3, [Songandaprayer](#)--Illumination, by Devil's Bag) was bet down to even-money for his Jan. 2 debut at Calder, but weakened to be second after setting the pace. He employed similar front-running tactics in a course-and-distance maiden Jan. 21 and carried the lead into the lane before yielding to finish third. A 7-2 shot to take them all the way this time around, the dark bay cut out swift early splits, widened at the quarter pole and drew off to a 5 3/4-length victory over Chris Got Even (Stephen Got Even). Tools for the Job (Forest Wildcat) chased the pace and finished fourth. The winner sold twice as a yearling, for \$45,000 at OBSJAN and \$200,000 at FTKJUL. He resold for \$280,000 at the 2007 OBSMAR sale. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$39,800. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Off The Hook LLC. B-Johnson Hollow Farm & Volan Corp (FL). T-Martin D Wolfson.

3rd-GPX, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:37 2/5, ft. **READY TO FLY** (f, 3, [Sky Mesa](#)--Mary Goodnight, by Grindstone) was beaten by double digits in a pair of tries over sprint distances last year, finishing sixth in her 5 1/2-furlong bow at Monmouth Aug. 2 and a distant fifth in a similar event over six panels at Aqueduct Nov. 14. The dark bay filly improved to miss by a head in her first try around two turns at Calder Dec. 22, but was dismissed at 11-1 in her seasonal debut. Settled in midfield early on, the \$210,000 ADNMAR juvenile rallied on the turn, but was overtaken by Ms. Margaret H. (Point Given), who looped the field to lead at the quarter pole. Ready to Fly would not be denied, as she fought back gamely inside to score by a neck. Quiet Dance (Tiznow), the half-sister to Horse of the Year Saint Liam, was steadied on the backstretch and finished 10th. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$31,520. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-OI Memorial Stable & C E Glasscock. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Cam M Gambolati.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9:

02-23 \$100/50,000a **Tampa Bay Breeders' Cup, Tam, 4yo/up, 8.5fT (100)**

02-23 \$100/50,000a **Bayou H., FG, 4yo/up, f/m, a9fT (100)**



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Yesterday's Results:

3rd-AQU, \$52,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

EXECUTIVE FLEET (h, 5, Northern Afleet--Saralina Jo, by Executive Order) thrashed conditioned \$35,000 claimers by 11 lengths at Belmont Oct. 12, then stepped up to allowance company and scored a 2 3/4-length victory over a muddy Aqueduct strip Nov. 10. The bay stretched out to two turns and was third in a Dec. 5 test over the inner and was coming into this off an even sixth going six panels Jan. 17. A 5-1 chance in this spot, the \$70,000 OBSJUN juvenile was never far from the front, engaged pacesetting Trophy Road (Jump Start) leaving the eighth pole and drove by that one for a 2 1/2-length success. Lifetime Record: 11-5-0-2, \$142,293.

O-Team Solaris Stable. B-Norman Merlet (FL). T-L Rice.

★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

6th-FGX, \$40,000, Msw, 3yo, f, a1mT, 1:40 4/5, yl. + TALKIN INDIAN (f, 3, Indian Charlie--Bendita, by Baldski), a half-sister to Better Talk Now (Talkin Man), MGISW, \$4,052,788; Beat the Play (Defensive Play), GSP; and B. A. Way (Lasting Approval), SW & GSP, \$320,775, sported a moderate worktab for the debut and was let go at odds of 11-1. Second-last for the opening three-quarters of a mile, the \$160,000 KEESEP yearling purchase rallied into the lane and bridged a seven-length gap in the final furlong to score by 3/4 of a length. Street Sign (High Yield) was second at 67-1, triggering a \$730 exacta and \$5,001 triple with favored Cape Cod Bay (Cape Town) third. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$23,400. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Gary & Kathy Priest. B-Dr & Mrs Gary T Priest, Glencrest Farm & Jack Goldthorpe (KY). T-F R Springer.

TODAY'S INSIGHTS

1:35p HRTV 1st-FGX, Msw, \$39K, 3yo, f, 1mT
DAN'S PRIDE ([Cherokee Run](#)), a \$185K FTKJUL yearling, makes her debut. From the family of champion Shahrastani and MGSW Pharatta (Ire), she is the first foal out of GSW La Vida Loca (Ire) (Caerleon). **Much Obligated** ([Kingmambo](#)), fourth going six panels in her first turf try, was second on the Woodbine all-weather in her latest Nov. 4. The Pin Oak homebred is a half to MGSW Bedanken (Geri) and MGSP Free Thinking (Unbridled). [brisnet.com pps](#)

2:13p HRTV 3rd-GPX, \$42K, Alw/Opt Clm, 3yo, 6f
 ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ **SARATOGA RUSSELL** (Trippi) looks to build on his 7 1/2-length maiden score at Aqueduct Dec. 15. West Point's \$170K OBSMAR purchase prepped for this with a bullet five furlongs in :59 2/5 at Palm Meadows Feb. 2. **Valdero** ([Johannesburg](#)), a \$300K OBSFEB acquisition for Coolmore, went gate to wire to post a debut victory over Florida-breds at Gulfstream Jan. 11. [brisnet.com pps](#)

3:25p HRTV COLONEL POWER S., 5th-FGX, \$100K, 4yo/up, 5 1/2FT
EUROEARS ([Langfuhr](#)) puts his unbeaten record on the line. The four-year-old, out of GSW Unky and Ally (Heff), took two starts on the dirt, then wired the field when making his turf debut in a Fair Grounds allowance Dec. 2. He made it 4-for-4 with a game victory over MSW **Stormin Baghdad** ([Stormin Fever](#)) in the Jan. 12 Gaudin Memorial S. on the main track at Fair Grounds and returns to the lawn here. [brisnet.com pps](#)

3:49p TVG CORRECTION H., 8th-Aqu, \$75K, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f
SPECTACULAR MALIBU (Malibu Moon) makes her first start in more than 13 months. The Country Life colorbearer captured the 2006 Maryland Million Lassie in her second start and followed with a second in the GIII Tempted S. She was last seen running second by a neck in the Maryland Juvenile Fillies Championship S. on Dec. 30, 2006. [brisnet.com pps](#)

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4th-FGX, \$39,750, Msw, 4&5yo, 1m, 1:39 3/5, ft. **SONOMA CAT** (c, 4, **Storm Cat--She's a Winner**, by **A.P. Indy**), a full brother to Bluegrass Cat, GISW, \$1,761,280; and a half to Lord of the Game (Saint Ballado), MGSW, \$539,920, made his first two career starts at Presque Isle Downs, running third in his Sept. 12 debut before finishing runner-up Sept. 26. Most recently third in an Oct. 27 maiden at Keeneland, the \$625,000 KEESEP was the 3-5 chalk trying a distance of ground in his four-year-old bow. Sent for the lead by Shaun Bridgmohan, the Stonestreet runner set a reasonable pace, opened a bit of daylight in the stretch and held on for a one-length victory from Hollywood Handsome (Include). Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-2, \$54,400. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Stonestreet Stables LLC. B-Racehorse Management LLC (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

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- 8th-GPX (Alw \$43K) Rahystrada** (Rahy) makes it two straight in Hallandale.
- 7th GPX (Msw \$48K) Samba Rooster** (Songandaprayer) gets it done in his third career start.
- 3rd-GPX (Msw \$42K) Ready to Fly** (Sky Mesa) digs in gamely en route to victory.
- 6th-FGX (Msw \$40K) Talkin Indian** (Indian Charlie), a half-sis to Better Talk Now, finishes fast to win.
- 4th-FGX (Msw \$39K) Sonoma Cat** (Storm Cat) takes his two-turn debut.

Arlington Announces Stakes Schedule:

Following approval by the Illinois Racing Board, Arlington Park has announced a stakes schedule of 27 (14 graded) races worth \$5.575 million. The International Festival of Racing, featuring the \$1-million GI Arlington Million, \$750,000 GI Beverly D. S. and \$400,000 GI Secretariat S., will be held Aug. 9. The track has also inaugurated the \$200,000 American 1000 Guineas, a one-mile race on grass for three-year-old fillies to be run May 24. The race's winner will automatically qualify for the GI American Oaks at Hollywood, typically contested in July. "In every major racing jurisdiction around the world, the 1000 Guineas is the first classic race of the year for three-year-old fillies," explained Arlington Park Vice President of Racing and Racing Secretary Kevin Greely. "America has its Derbies and Oaks, but this will mark the first time a 1000 Guineas race will be run in North America." The \$200,000 Arlington Sprint has been switched to the turf this year in order to serve as a prep for this year's new Breeders' Cup event, the \$1-million Turf Sprint Oct. 24 at Santa Anita. For 2008, the track has elected to shelve a pair of long-standing events, the GI Washington Park H. and Round Table S. "We will assess the strength of these longtime Arlington fixtures to determine when they need to be run to maximize both the local and national stakes programs," Greely stated.

Kentucky Breeders' Awards Announced:

Senator Damon Thayer, the legislative author of the Kentucky Breeders' Incentive program, announced the Award amounts for the 2007 Kentucky Breeders' Incentive Fund yesterday. The 2007 KBIF Awards, which total \$19,220,007, are 100 percent funded from a six-percent sales tax on stud fees in Kentucky. The Awards totaled \$15 million in 2006. "These are positive steps to help Kentucky's horse industry," Thayer said. "It is gratifying to see the Fund grow over 20 percent from 2006 to 2007, a sure sign that the Fund is accomplishing its goal of attracting more horses to Kentucky's farms. This will create more equine commerce and a more robust economy." Eighty percent of the Awards are allotted to Thoroughbreds.



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Valenzuela Return Delayed:

Jockey Pat Valenzuela, who was named to ride two horses at Fair Grounds Friday, had to take off those mounts as he had not yet arrived in New Orleans. "He's got some things to tie up before he comes," his agent, Danny Gargan, told *Daily Racing Form*. "He'll get into town on Sunday and start breezing horses during the week and get fit." Gargan added that Valenzuela, who lost his conditional license in California after a DUI arrest at the end of December, would likely be back in action at Fair Grounds next weekend. The 45-year-old was granted a Louisiana license in order to compete in the GIII Delta Jackpot S. at Delta Downs Dec. 7, and remains in good standing in the state, as there was no actual ruling against him in California. He will, however, be required to meet with Fair Grounds stewards before he is cleared to ride.

★ EAST ★

OBS February's Second Preview Set for Sunday:

The second under-tack show for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's February Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training will be held tomorrow beginning at 9 a.m. All workouts will be recorded, and will be available for viewing at www.obssales.com starting Monday afternoon. Videos will also be available at the OBS sales grounds and at the Ramada Inn, The Courtyard by Marriott, Residence Inn and Ocala Hilton. The one-day sale is set for Tuesday, Feb. 12.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Monashee Retired:

MGSW **Monashee** (Wolf Power {SAf}--Avide, by Wall Street Dancer), who won 11 straight stakes races in western Canada before finishing off the board in the Maple Leaf S. at Woodbine last November, has been retired, *DRF* reports. The six-year-old rebounded from her Maple Leaf loss to take the Jan. 14 Paseana H. at Santa Anita, but pulled a shoulder muscle while getting ready for the GI Santa Maria H. Purchased by Ole Nielsen for \$14,000 as a KEESEP yearling, Monashee went on to win 18 of her 24 career starts for trainer Michael Orman, including three Grade III events at Hastings Park, and earned \$693,675. She will be bred to Hard Spun.

First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, February 9

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- ALDEBARAN** (Mr. Prospector), Darby Dan, \$50K, 150/11/0 7-SA, Stk, 1m, Grace Anatomy, \$190K KEE APR 2yo
- 10-OP, Msw, 6f, Sweet Redeemer, \$75K KEE SEP yrl
- ALMOSTASHAR** (A.P. Indy), Running R, \$2K, 28/2/0 3-FG, Msw, 6f, +Almost Impressed, \$35K EVA MAR 2yo, 20-1
- AUTHENTICATE** (Gone West), Le Mesa, \$3K, 110/9/0 8-TAM, Msw, 6 1/2f, Loving Warrior, \$2K KEE JAN yrl, 30-1
- CACTUS RIDGE** (Hennessy), Walmac, \$7K, 138/16/1 1-FG, Msw, 1mT, Stepsister Jones, \$35K KEE NOV wnl, 20-1
- CAPSIZED** (Summer Squall), Windfall, \$4K, 69/6/0 5-BM, Msw, 1 1/16m, Downsized
- COMPANY APPROVAL** (With Approval), Prairie View, \$2K, 17/1/0 9-PHA, Alw, 6f, Miss Duck Buck, 8-1
- DAVID COPPERFIELD** (Halo), Hopewell, \$5K, 46/4/0 2-BM, Aoc, 1m, Green Lite Honey, \$45K BAR MAY 2yo
- DESERT WARRIOR** (Deputy Minister), McMahan, \$3K, 87/9/0 9-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Battle Ready, \$14K EAS SEP yrl
- EMPIRE MAKER** (Unbridled), Juddmonte, \$100K, 185/8/3 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Back in Time, \$375K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
- FLATTER** (A.P. Indy), Claiborne, \$5K, 145/18/1 8-TAM, Msw, 6 1/2f, Flatter Me Blue, \$4K KEE SEP yrl, 3-1
- FULL MANDATE** (A.P. Indy), Hartley, \$, 173/18/1 7-SA, Stk, 1m, Divine Legacy, \$170K KEE NOV wnl
- 11-FG, Msw, 6f, +Soul Mandate, \$6K OBS OCT wnl, 8-1
- HARLAN'SHOLIDAY** (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 169/25/4 2-BM, Aoc, 1m, P. S. U. Grad, \$375K BAR MAY 2yo
- 12-TP, Msw, 6f, Christmasinabottle, \$100K EAS MAY 2yo
- 7-SA, Stk, 1m, Tasha's Miracle, \$325K BAR MAR 2yo
- HIGHLAND GOLD** (Slew o' Gold), 37/0/0 5-BM, Msw, 1 1/16m, Mocito
- HOLD THAT TIGER** (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$15K, 250/27/2 1-FG, Msw, 1mT, Winning Idea, \$100K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Stop the Drama, \$16K OBS AUG yrl, 6-1
- INDY KING** (A.P. Indy), Adena South, \$2K, 58/4/0 11-FG, Msw, 6f, Indy Victor, \$87K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1

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KAFWAIN (Cherokee Run), Darley, \$10K, 179/16/4
 10-SUN, Stk, 5f, Yonegwa, \$190K OBS MAR 2yo, 3-1
MINESHAFT (A.P. Indy), Lane's End, \$100K, 151/9/1
 11-FG, Msw, 6f, Access Code, 15-1
 7-TUP, Stk, 1m, La Mina, \$90K BAR MAR 2yo, 5-2
 8-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Highest Class, \$300K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Dixie Miner, \$75K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
 1-FG, Msw, 1mT, Lantern, \$350K KEE SEP yrl, 9-2
PROUD CITIZEN (Gone West), Airdrie, \$13K, 210/21/3
 9-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, The Darp, \$47K EAS MAY 2yo, 15-1
 8-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Proud Spell, 7-2
REPENT (Louis Quatorze), Vinery Florida, \$5K, 158/21/4
 9-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Prince Cortez, \$25K OBS MAR 2yo, 12-1
 8-TUP, Stk, 1 1/16m, Campeone, \$25K OBS WIN yrl, 8-1
ROMAN DANCER (Polish Numbers), Cottonwood Creek, \$4K, 26/1/0
 3-BM, Stk, 6f, Doalittleraindance
SKY MESA (Pulpit), Three Chimneys, \$30K, 177/12/1
 9-GP, Stk, 7f, Cozy Mesa, 8-1
SLIGO BAY (IRE) (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 128/11/1
 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Bahia Girl, \$15K ADS SPR 2yo, 7-2
SUNDAY BREAK (JPN) (Forty Niner), Walmac, \$9K, 156/24/0
 3-FG, Msw, 6f, +Sunday Ride, \$14K KEE NOV wnl, 6-1
VAN NISTELROOY (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$8K, 201/30/6
 5-BM, Msw, 1 1/16m, Sand Harbour
VINDICATION (Seattle Slew), Hill 'n' Dale, \$50K, 229/23/1
 9-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Signature Move, \$625K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
 8-OP, Aoc, 1m, Star Defender, \$400K KEE NOV wnl
 5-PHA, Msw, 1m, Coat the Cubes, \$225K FTS AUG yrl, 6-1
WHYWHYWHY (Mr. Greeley), Gainesway, \$8K, 100/16/2
 8-OP, Aoc, 1m, Why Be Quiet, \$4K OBS WIN yrl

☆ **EUROPE** ☆

FALLON APPEAL FAILS Kieren Fallon will be on the sidelines for 18 months after learning that his appeal against the suspension meted out by France Galop has failed. The decision by the ruling body to uphold the ban imposed for the former champion jockey's positive test for a substance--believed to be cocaine--at Deauville last August, will see him out of action until Aug. 8, 2009.

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Yesterday's Results:

Southwell, 4.05, Mdn, £3,600, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:29.22, stn.
LITTLE WING (IRE) (c, 3, Hawk Wing--Hartstown House {Ire}, by Primo Dominie {GB}) was off the board on three turf outings--most recently at Sandown in July--and started as the 2-1 second favorite to adapt to the fibresand. Keen early when reined back to stalk the pace, the €120,000 GOFNOV weanling and €215,000 GOFORB yearling grabbed the lead at the quarter pole and went on to post a 3 1/2-length score over Jal Music (GB) (Ishiguru), despite hanging right. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, £2,457.
 O-Mountgrange Stud; B-Andrew Coonan & Thomas J K Clarke; T-Jamie Osborne.

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Yesterday's Results:

UAE 1000 GUINEAS-Listed, \$250,000, NAD, 2-8, NH/SH3yo, f, 1600m, 1:37.68, ft.
 1--**COCOA BEACH (CHI), 130, f, 3, by Doneraile Court**
 1st Dam: Visionera (Chi), by Edgy Diplomat
 2nd Dam: Spray (Chi), by Roy
 3rd Dam: Memsahib (Chi), by Musketeer
 O-HRH Princess Haya; B-Haras La Obra (CHI); T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-T Durcan; \$150,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW-Chi, 6-5-1-0, \$185,661.
 2--**Fiesta Lady (Arg), 130, f, 3, Southern Halo--Fiereze (Arg), by Political Ambition.** O-Godolphin; B-Haras La Esperanza (ARG); T-Saeed bin Suroor. \$50,000.
 3--**Love of Dubai, 121, f, 3, More Than Ready--Diamond Kris, by Prospect Bay.** (\$27,000 2yo '07 OBSAPR). O-Mohammed Ali Al Shafar; B-MGG Holdings (FL); T-Clive Brittain. \$25,000.
 Margins: 5 1/4, 11, 3/4.
 Also Ran: Patio (GB), Star of Rosanna (GB), Dalkey Girl (Ire), Olympic Glory (Brz), Miss Clonyn (Ire), Queen Jock, Badaria (Fr), Baby Princess (Brz), Swallow Star (GB).
 Scratched: Lamistrelle (Ire).

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Cocoa Beach swept through her first four starts in her native Chile last year, taking the G3 GP Seleccion de Potrancas in March, the G3 GP Juan Cavieres Mella in April by 9 1/4 lengths and the G3 GP Jose Saavedra Baeza in June by 9 3/4 lengths. Subsequently pur-



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chased privately by Princess Haya, the brown filly lost her unbeaten record when a non-threatening second to stablemate Fiesta Lady in a local conditions race Jan. 17, but turned the tables on that rival emphatically this time. Equipped with blinkers, the granddaughter of Seattle

Slew recovered from a slow start to track the leaders, headed Fiesta Lady with a sixteenth to run and drew off to score comfortably. "She had the blinds on and was far closer to the action," said winning rider Ted Durcan. "She ran in behind Frankie [Dettori, on Fiesta Lady] a little, but I knew we could pick them up." **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).**

Nad al Sheba, 20:40, Hcp., \$175,000, NH4yo/SH3yo+, 1777mT, 1:51.05, gd.

ORACLE WEST (SAF) (g, 7, Western Winter--Noble Prophet {SAf} {MGSP-SAf}, by Noble Ambition), winner of the 2006 G3 Dubai City of Gold S., ran second in last year's renewal of that contest. He followed that with a runner-up effort to Vengeance of Rain (NZ) in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic before taking his show on the road. Sixth in both the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Sha Tin Apr. 29 and G1 Singapore Airlines Int'l Cup May 20, the bay came back to finish second by a neck in a Newbury conditions race Sept. 22 and closed out his season with a close fifth in the G1 Canadian International Oct. 21 at Woodbine. Facing just five runners here, the grandson of Gone West made his bid with a quarter-mile to go and ran on well to defeat Sushisan (Aus) (Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}) by 1 1/4 lengths. **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-UAE, MGSP-SAf, 29-8-5-3, \$1,595,261. O-A Geemooi; B-Langeberg Stud; T-Mike de Kock.



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Nad al Sheba, 20:10, Hcp., \$110,000, NH4yo/SH3yo+, 1700m, 1:42.15, ft.

JALIL (c, 4, Storm Cat--Tranquility Lake {MGISW}, \$1,662,390, by Rahy), a full brother to After Market, MGISW, \$903,685, made headlines as the top-priced yearling of 2005 when selling for \$9.7 million at KEESOP. The handsome colt made an inauspicious bow at two, finishing sixth at Newarket in October, but showed improvement in his first outing as a sophomore, coming up a half-length short at Newbury May 18. While he duly graduated next out at Ripon June 6, he didn't face the starter again until Oct. 12 at Lingfield, running second by a head in an all-weather handicap. Kerrin McEvoy settled the dark bay in mid-division here. Jalil moved into contention passing the 600-



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meter mark, hit the front 100 meters from home and went on to post an easy three-length tally over Aleutian (GB) (Zafonic). "He has improved with age, and looks much better mentally and physically, and the dirt seems to really suit him," said trainer Saeed bin Suroor, who saddled four winners last night. **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$81,198. O-Godolphin; B-Mr & Mrs M Wygod (KY); T-S bin Suroor.



Dubai Report cont.

Nad al Sheba, 19:05, Hcp., \$175,000, NH4yo/SH3yo +, 2400mT, 2:35.37, gd.

GRAVITAS (GB) (h, 5, Mark of Esteem {Ire}--Bombazine {Ire} {SP-GB}, by Generous {Ire}), a half-brother to Affirmative Action (Ire) (Rainbow Quest), SW-Fr, \$154,869, hadn't visited the winner's circle since taking the 2006 Listed Derby du Languedoc in Sheikh Mohammed's colors. Second to Quijano (Ger) in a handicap over course and distance last January, the chestnut failed to place in a pair of outings last fall in Britain, but improved to be second first up this year, a handicap over track and trip in January. After racing a bit keenly



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early, Gravitas went up to take the lead midstretch and reported home a 3 1/4-length winner over Imperial Blue (GB) (Dansili {GB}). His dam is a half-sister to top milers Baratheia (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Gossamer (GB) (Sadler's Wells). **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** Lifetime Record: MSW-Fr, 15-5-2-1, \$279,483.

O-Godolphin; B-Exors of the Late Gerald Leigh (GB); T-Saeed bin Suroor.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

Nad al Sheba, 21:20, Hcp., \$120,000, NH4yo/SH3yo +, 1600mT, 1:39.44, gd.

THIRD SET (IRE) (g, 5, Royal Applause {GB}--Khamseh {GB}, by Thatching {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 12-5-4-0, \$528,879. O-Sultan Ali; B-A Stroud & J Hanley (IRE); T-Saeed bin Suroor. *55,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT. **1/2 to Bonus (Ire) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), GSW-Ire & SW-GB, \$355,649.

Nad al Sheba, 19:35, Hcp., \$120,000, NH4yo/SH3yo +, 1200mT, 1:12.06, gd.

TURN ON THE STYLE (GB) (g, 6, Pivotal {GB}--Elegant Rose {GB}, by Noalto {GB}) Lifetime Record: 32-8-7-1, \$189,997. O-The Haydock Badgeholders; B-J & Mrs Botwell (GB); T-John Balding. *26,000gns yrl '03 DONSEP; 5,000gns 2yo '04 DONAPR.

Nad al Sheba, 22:30, Hcp., \$120,000, NH4yo/SH3yo +, 1200mT, 1:12.39, gd.

MUTAMARRES (GB) (g, 5, Green Desert--Injaad {GB}, by Machiavellian) Lifetime Record: 16-4-4-2, \$164,160. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd (GB); T-Doug Watson.



AUSTRALASIA



SPARTACUS STAYING IN NEW ZEALAND A syndicate headed by The Oaks Stud has bought out the remaining 50-percent interest of **Spartacus (Ire)** (Danehill--Teslemi, by Ogygian), whose first juveniles reached the races in 2007. The eight-year-old will remain at The Oaks, owned by Sir Patrick and Lady Hogan, Peter and Petrea Vela, Scott Williams and partners and Peter Francis and partners. "Spartacus has proved very popular this season, covering 170 mares, and we believe he has the potential to become a prominent sire," said Rick Williams, general manager of The Oaks Stud. The stallion has been represented by Italian listed winner Rastignano (Ire), among 18 Northern Hemisphere winners, as well as Maureen Dorothy (NZ), runner-up in the Karaka Million in January.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-AQU, \$47,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:45, ft.

REYANA'S JET (f, 4, A. P Jet--Alytazm, by Alydeed)

Lifetime Record: 25-2-6-2, \$86,361. O-Anthony Calabrese. B-Joseph Aquilino (NY). T-Atreo Persaud.

7th-AQU, \$47,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft.

DUKE OF DE BUQE (g, 3, Dixie Union--Miss Livi, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$60,084.

O-Anstu Stables Inc. B-Anstu Farm LLC (NY). T-Todd A Pletcher. * 1/2 to Balto Star (Glitterman), GISW, \$2,363,780.

8th-AQU, \$47,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40 3/5, ft.

CITY BY SEA (f, 3, City Zip--Leniently, by Langfuhr)

Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$58,286. O-IEAH Stables & Curragh Stables. B-Curragh Stables & Michael Iavarone (NY). T-John P Terranova II.

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AQUEDUCT

Oprah Winney (Royal Academy), 3f, :37.57, 5/9

FAIR GROUNDS

Coolwind (Forest Wildcat), 4f, :49.20, 11/33

Crossword (A.P. Indy), 4f, :49.60, 12/33

GULFSTREAM

Change Up (Distorted Humor), 5f, 1:00.20, 4/12

HOLLYWOOD

Bai and Bai (Falstaff), 4f, :49.40, 27/52

Chattahoochee War (War Chant), 5f, 1:00.20, 20/76

Coco Belle (Storm Boot), 6f, 1:13.00, 9/37

Les Grands Trois (Officer), 5f, 1:00.40, 25/76

Shore Do (Include), 5f, 1:01.60, 51/76

OAKLAWN PARK

Brownie Points (Forest Wildcat), 5f (g), 1:00.80, 3/26

PALM MEADOWS

Big Prairie (Danzig), 4f, :50.80, 10/20

Cosmonaut (Lemon Drop Kid), 7f (T), 1:30.60, 1/1

Notable Guest (Kingmambo), 5f (T), •1:02.40, 1/8

Shakis (Ire) (Machiavellian), 3f (T), :39.00, 2/2

Stream of Gold (Ire) (Rainbow Quest), 4f, •49.00, 1/20

Tale of Ekati (Tale of the Cat), 5f, 1:01.00, 2/19

Tiz It (Tiznow), 5f, •1:00.60, 1/19

SANTA ANITA

Diamond Fury (Sea of Secrets), 4f (tr), :47.60

Dixie Meister (Holzmeister), 4f, •:50.20, 1/4

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9th-FGX, \$42,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12, ft.

JAZZY GIN (f, 4, Albert the Great--B. J.'s Hennessy, by Hennessy) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$55,565. O-Glen C Warren. B-Dr Glen Warren (LA). T-Andrew Leggio Jr.

8th-LRL, \$34,000, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000-\$28,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23 4/5, ft.

ETERNAL STAR (c, 4, Five Star Day--Retsina's Princess, by Eternal Prince) Lifetime Record: SW, 9-4-2-1, \$130,750. O-Harry C & Tom O Meyerhoff LLC. B-George Arnold Sr & Tom Van Meter (KY). T-Michael J Trombetta. *\$65,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

8th-CTX, \$28,000, 2-7, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :53, ft.

MEET ME IN PARIS (f, 4, General Royal--Meet the Fleet, by Ghazi) Lifetime Record: 20-4-4-0, \$58,451. O-Scott Nicks. B-Jim Rankin (KY). T-Ollie L Giggins III.

10th-TAM, \$20,200, NW1X, 4yo/up, a5fT, :57 1/5, fm.

THISCATCANS CAT (g, 4, Scatmandu--Bonnie Dale, by Distant Ryder) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-3, \$52,858. O/T-Michael Dini. B-Bill D Little (FL).

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Skar, g, 3, **Comic Genius**--Atliata, by Storm Boot. SUN, 2-8, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:03 1/5. B-Gale Brown & Gary Balzano (NM).

Cruzatte, g, 3, **Cozzene**--Carr de Mon, by Carr de Naska. OPX, 2-8, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5. B-Albert & Joyce Bell (KY).

Clouds in the Sky, f, 3, **Straight Man**--Dilate, by Northern Flagship. FGX, 2-8, (S), a1 1/16mT, 1:46 4/5. B-Charles Michael McDowell (LA). *Won by 10 lengths.

Famous Gentleman, g, 3, **Yankee Gentleman**--Famous Colony (GSP), by Pleasant Colony. CTX, 2-7, 4 1/2f, :54 1/5. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). *1/2 to Powerful Nation (Turkoman), GSP, \$176,245; and Buffalo Bird Woman (Slew City Slew), MSP, \$162,013.

Tropical Soldier, g, 4, **Elusive Quality**--Bering Cruise, by Danzig. CTX, 2-7, 4 1/2f, :54. B-W S Farish & Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership (KY). *\$22,000 yrl '05 KEESEP. **1/2 to Lieutenant Danz (Gold Fever), MSP, \$217,947.

Lightening Flash, c, 4, **Two Punch**--Angel Lady, by Polish Numbers. LRL, 2-8, 7f, 1:26 2/5. B-James M Courtney (MD).

Warrior Belle, m, 5, **War Deputy**--Bebopper, by Prosperous. CTX, 2-7, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5. B-Brian Wallace (ON).

✓ **APPOINTMENTS**

JENNIFER VOSS-FRANCO

- Appointed to the position of coordinator of racing officials for the Racing Officials Accreditation Program.
- Voss-Franco will oversee the program's day-to-day operations and will coordinate ROAP's efforts to assist racing officials, stewards and judges. She will be based in The Jockey Club's Lexington office.
- Formerly served as program facilitator for the North American Racing Academy.
- Effective Feb. 11.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Naples, 5.10, 2-7, €13,500, 3yo, 7fT, 1:25.40, gd.

MENDACE (GB) (c, 3, Bering {GB}--Chinchilla {Ire}, by Inchinor {GB}) Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1, €29,580. O/T-Raffaele Biondi; B-Hesmonds Stud Ltd. *2,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

ITALY, Naples, 3.10, 2-7, €10,800, 4yo/up, 5fT, :56.90, gd.

CHAMPION PLACE (GB) (m, 5, Compton Place {GB}--Villa Via {Ire}, by Night Shift) Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, 32-11-8-3, €168,776. O-Scuderia Razza dell'Olmo Srl; B-Larkwood Stud; T-Riccardo Menichetti.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Je N'Aime Que Moi (Ire), c, 3, **Intikhab**--Komleva (Fr), by Green Desert. Pisa, Italy, 2-7, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/8mT. B-Finanza Locale Consulting Srl. *€28,000 yrl '06 ITYSEP.

Princess Livius (Ire), f, 3, **Titus Livius (Fr)**--Last Shaambles (Ire), by Shaamit (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 2-8, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 20yds (AWT). B-Ivan & Eileen Heanen. *€3,500 wnlg '05 GOFNOV.

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