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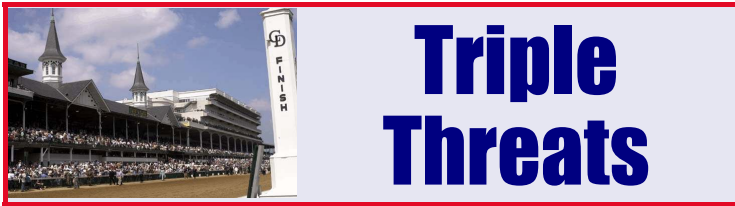
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**HEADLINE
NEWS**



Triple Threats

MAJESTIC WARRIOR BIG EASY BOUND

Majestic Warrior (A.P. Indy) will kick off 2008 in the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 8 at Fair Grounds, reports *Daily Racing Form*. An impressive winner of the GI Hopeful S. Sept. 3 at Saratoga, the son of MGISW Dream Supreme hasn't faced the starter since finishing sixth to War Pass in the GI Champagne S. Oct. 6, and emerged from that race with a minor injury to his left front foot. "He's ready," trainer Bill Mott told *DRF*. "I think he's doing good. Of course, there's a couple of others going to that race who are doing pretty good, too." Mott added, "I like the racetrack. It's a pretty fair racetrack. You can close



Adam Coglianesi

ground. Pyro's there, but any race you go to at this time of year is not going to be a giveaway. They're all going to be competitive. You shouldn't be ducking any one horse. My horse has held his own against good company. I don't think we want to be in the position of ducking and diving. We've got to pick our spot and hope it works out."

Denis of Oaklawn...

Mr. and Mrs. William Warren's **Denis of Cork** (Harlan's Holiday), an impressive winner of the GIII Southwest S. at Oaklawn Monday, will return to the Arkansas oval for the GIII Rebel S. Mar. 15. The blaze-faced bay has already shipped back to his New Orleans base. "I'll probably breeze Denis twice at Fair Grounds, then bring him back to Hot Springs four or five days before the Rebel, and hope [trainer] Larry [Jones] will give us the same stall," said trainer David Carroll. "If all goes well, then we'll think about the [GII] Arkansas Derby [Apr. 12]. He needs racing." Jones, who saddled **Eight Belles** (Unbridled's Song) to an overpowering score in a division of the Martha Washington S. Sunday at Oaklawn, offered Carroll a spot in his barn. Denis of Cork's stall was back-to-back with the big filly. "I'm thinking,...that Eight Belles maybe knocked on the back wall, and told Denis of Cork how easy it was," Jones quipped yesterday morning. **Cont. p2**

EXCELLENT FIELD FOR BLUE DIAMOND S.

A total of 14 horses have been drawn for Saturday's A\$1-million G1 Arrowfield Stud Blue Diamond S. at Caulfield, the first major juvenile test of the year in Australia. The field includes a trio of runners by Darley's breakout sire Exceed and Excel (Aus) (Daneshill) who are expected to continue their winning blitz. The Lee Freedman-trained **Wilander** (Aus) is dominating betting at A\$5.50 with TAB Sportsbet, ahead of stable-mate **Exceedingly Good** (Aus) at A\$6, and the Mark Kavanagh-trained filly **Believe'n'Succeed** (Aus) at A\$7.50. Also at that price is the intriguing Red Ransom colt **All American** (Aus), a A\$220,000 Magic Millions graduate out of Milva (Strawberry Road {Aus}), a half-sister to Rock Hard Ten. The imposing colt won on debut at Moonee Valley Dec. 7 and repeated the dose with an emphatic win in the Listed St. Alban's S. at the same venue over 1200 meters Dec. 29. After missing the start, he settled four lengths last and despite covering extra ground won by two lengths.



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Triple Threats cont.

- Unbeaten champion **Indian Blessing** (Indian Charlie) will return to the scene of her victory in the GIII Silverbulletday S. Feb. 9 for the GII Fair Grounds Oaks Mar. 8, according to *Daily Racing Form*. "She's getting fitter now," Baffert told the publication. "She should run much stronger this time. One thing about her, she gives it her all every time. She's doing great and looks awesome. She bounced out if really quick. I like that surface--it's very consistent. You know what to expect." A homebred for Hal and Patti Earnhardt, the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies heroine captured the GII Santa Ynez S. Jan. 13 in her 2008 opener.
- California-based **Yankee Bravo** (Yankee Gentleman), perfect in three outings, will make his next start in the \$600,000 GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 8, according to *Daily Racing Form*. The dark bay is coming off a score in the California Derby Jan. 27 over Golden Gate's Tapeta. "We've got to try him on the dirt sometime," trainer Paddy Gallagher told *DRF*. "It's that time of year."

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Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO ESTADO DO RIO DE JANEIRO-G1, R\$93,859, Gavea, 2-17, 3yo, c, 1600mT, 1:33.10, sf. 1-- ▲@**JOE BRAVO (BRZ)**, 124, c, 3, by **Vettori (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Brave Lady (Brz)** (GSP-Brz), by **Roi Normand**

2nd Dam: **Political Intrigue**, by **Deputy Minister**

3rd Dam: **Fascinating Trick**, by **Buckpasser**

O-Haras Internacional; B-Stud Mega; T-Venancio Nahid; J-Tiago Josue Pereira; R\$40,837. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1, R\$76,285.

2--**Rooney (Brz)**, 124, c, 3, Public Purse--Dizzy Quick (Arg), by Lode. O-Stud Intermaranguape; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras. R\$13,334.

3--**Hampesco (Brz)**, 124, c, 3, Impression (Arg)--Wonderful Example, by Tasso. O-Stud Eternamente Rio; B-Haras Santarem. R\$9,251.

Margins: 2 1/4, 1/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 2.20, 23.50, 15.00.

Fans' choice Joe Bravo toyed with pacemaker Refuge Cove (Brz) (American Gipsy) before bursting clear to post an impressive victory in the opening leg of Rio de Janeiro's Triple Crown series for sophomore colts. With rider Tiago Josue Pereira leisurely checking for any serious threats in the stretch, the Vettori colt cruised to a dominant victory over 10 rivals. Joe Bravo is expected to point to the 2000-meter G1 GP Francisco Eduardo de Paula Machado Mar. 16, although a U.S. campaign is also under consideration, and will be determined in the coming days. The bay came into the race off a runner-up effort in the G3 GP Jose Buarque de Macedo Jan. 13. With the win, he gave five-time leading trainer Venancio Nahid, 47, his 2,000th career victory. Joe Bravo was produced by a full sister to MGISW Redattore (Brz).

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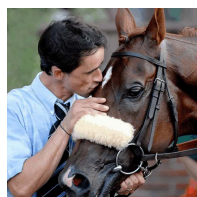
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Thursday, Nad Al Sheba, Dubai, post time: 9:55 p.m.
AL FAHIDI FORT-G2, \$250,000, NH4yo/up/SH3yo/up, 1600mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	Linngari (Ire)	Indian Ridge (Ire)	Moore
2	Big Timer	Street Cry (Ire)	Eaves
3	Danak (Ire)	Pivotal (GB)	Hills
4	Lord Admiral	El Prado (Ire)	Kinane
5	Warriors Key (Ire)	Key of Luck	Durcan
6	Royal Oath	Kingmambo	Mullen
7	Admiralofthefleet	Danehill	Murtagh
8	Archipenko	Kingmambo	Shea
9	Etihaad (GB)	Dubai Millennium (GB)	Doyle
10	Dark Islander (Ire)	Singspiel (Ire)	Dettori
AE	Quebec Citizen (Brz)	Know Heights (Ire)	no rider
AE	Delude (Ire)	Be My Guest	no rider

All carry 125 pounds, except Linngari, 132.



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FROM THE DESK OF...
 Bill Oppenheim



BLINDED BY THE LIGHT

A few weeks ago I was privileged to be included among a panel of speakers at the ITBA Trade Fair at Goffs. It was a heavyweight lineup, too. I'm sure my journalistic colleague and co-panelist Leo Powell, editor of *The Irish Field*, won't be offended when I say he and I were rather wondering what we were doing up there on the platform with Denis Brosnan, Chariman of Horse Racing Ireland; Nic Coward; and Winfried Engelbrecht-Breges, CEO's of the British Horse Racing Authority and the Hong Kong Jockey Club, respectively. Needless to say, Leo acquitted himself brilliantly, and the other speakers were as interesting and thought-provoking as we'd expected.

The Trade Fair was sponsored by the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, chaired by Joe Hernon, and it was coordinated by Eddie O'Grady's daughter, the excellent Amber Byrne. There were 85 booths, and Goffs was teeming with people. It's an amazing country, Ireland. It's the only place I know where, when somebody happens to make some serious money (which quite a few Irish have been doing over the last decade), the first thing they think about buying is a horse. We could use a few dozen more countries like that.

One of the most popular booths at the Fair, by all accounts, was that of the G1 Goldmine pedigree website manned by Australian software developer Leo Tsatsaronis. Unfortunately I didn't have a chance to see the seminar he presented, but there were so many people trying to get in they brought him back for an encore the next afternoon. I was sorry I didn't get to meet him; there's always room for good information, and by all accounts the information their website provides is very good. In fact, there's an interesting review by Nancy Sexton, in Monday's *Racing Post*, of G1 Goldmine and the new *Blood-Horse*-sponsored Truenicks, co-produced by another Australian, Byron Rogers, with Alan Porter.

Both products do represent advances in certain respects, as far as I can tell, certainly in the range of the databases they tap into. But, as somebody who also works in the field of pedigree analysis, I'm not convinced that either or both is the Holy Grail they're being cracked up to be. I'm probably somewhat biased, being a competitor, or at least a rival of sorts, but the truth is I'm not at all convinced this rush to measure and index opportunity, in the one case (Truenicks), or indexing individual crosses, as is cited in Nancy's article about the other, really are 'the answer.' I realize both programs do a lot more, and I'm sure both are very useful tools.



182 Copelan's Angel colt



255 Lady Dora colt



233 How So Oiseau filly

Strong Hope

1st Crop 2yos

Fasig-Tipton Calder



31 Pennant Winner colt



48 Restored Hope filly



81 Smooth and Classy filly



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But is "Compton Place over Night Shift" (index 71.93) really a better cross than "Sadler's Wells over Darshaan" (index 2.26)? It's simply that Compton Place has had several early successes over Night Shift, from a very small sample size. Sod's Law, as well as the Law of Averages and the Laws of Probability, virtually guarantee that the next 50 times it's tried, the results won't be as impressive.

It's the same sort of rush of fashion as we saw when Believe It had early successes over the Raise a Native line, or when Storm Bird had Storm Cat (in his first crop) out of a Secretariat mare. Storm Cat was a foal of 1983, and in 1987-1988 Storm Bird had three more A Runners out of Secretariat mares, including Summer Squall (whose dam produced A.P. Indy two years later) and Mujadil. I don't know how many Secretariat mares were bred to Storm Bird in his ensuing 11 crops, but I can tell you how many more A Runners there were bred on that cross: zero. And that's my problem with measuring opportunity: when the sample size is so small (evidently, too small), early successes may mean not that this is a great nick, but that whatever successes this cross was going to have happened to come early.

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Oppenheim cont.

I have no doubt success rates drop as the numbers bred on that cross increase, and these raw measurements of opportunity don't take that into account, since as far as I know nobody has done that research (yet). Moreover, when you consider even ABC Runners are only 8 percent of the population, the odds are stacked against success. It's no wonder the trend lines flatten as the number of cases increase.

The Bright Young Things...

All this is also by way of explaining why we don't do APEX ratings on freshman sires; those early successes can be misleading. Even doing them on sires with three-year-olds and four-year-olds, we routinely see sires ring up huge early numbers, which then naturally contract as they have more, and more older, runners. The first year A.P. Indy was rated, his A Runner Index was over 9.00. Eventually it has settled to around the 5.00 mark, which is still the best there is. Distorted Humor, whose oldest foals were seven in 2007, has now dropped below 4.00 for the first time. Significantly, though, even as the numbers (usually) fall, the top sires tend to hold their positions among their 'sire classes' (sires with first foals the same year).

Consequently, we find with the younger sire classes--in this case, sires with first foals 2003 (oldest four-year-olds of 2007) and 2004 (oldest three-year-olds)--it is as important to look at their total numbers of 'A' and 'ABC' Runners as at their indexes. So we present eight 'Top 20' tables in this issue, four each for F2003 and F2004 sires: number of A and ABC Runners as well as the leaders by A Index and ABC Index. **Tables p8-11**

In terms of number of A Runners and ABC Runners 2005-2007, Galileo, Broken Vow, and City Zip rank one-two-three on both lists, in that order. The two leaders by A Runner Index are two Florida sires (each with roughly half the number of year-starters as Galileo): Exchange Rate (3.55), who has now emigrated to Three Chimneys Farm in Kentucky; and Put It Back (3.42). The latter, who is surely the biggest bargain in Florida this year at \$7,500, leads the list by ABC Runner



Put It Back Bridlewood Farm photo

Index (2.23), over two sires whose runners have all been sired in New York to date, City Zip (2.17, now at Lane's End in Kentucky), and Giant's Causeway's little brother, Freud.

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Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

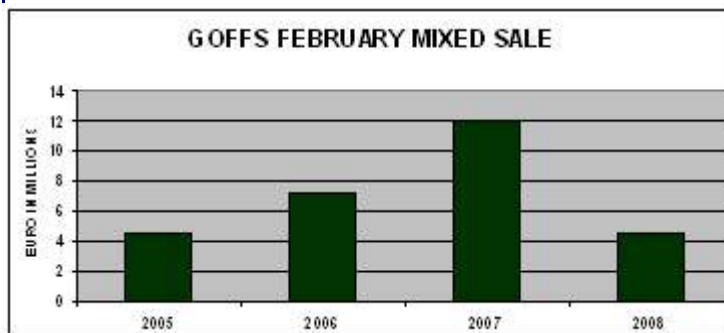
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"Some good news on the auction front last week, as the first two-year-old sale of the season, OBS Select, showed good gains in gross and average over last year. The news was not so bright at Goffs, though, where their mixed sale was way down in both categories, with only 38 percent of those catalogued listed as sales. It could all be further evidence of the widening gap between the 'good ones' and 'the rest'."

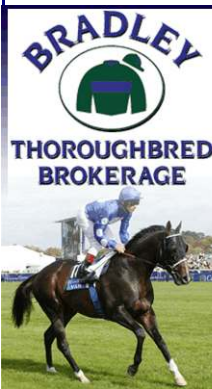
- Bill Oppenheim



YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% S/C	GROSS	AVG
2008	172	124	89	52%	\$14,030,000	\$157,640
2007	192	137	96	50%	\$12,831,000	\$133,656
2006	207	158	93	45%	\$12,967,000	\$139,430
2005	204	169	109	53%	\$14,921,000	\$136,980



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In what looks like a pretty salty group of F2004 sires, Coolmore sires Johannesburg (12) and Rock of Gibraltar (10) head the list, perhaps not surprisingly, considering they are the two with the highest number of runners. Darley's Street Cry (nine) comes next, followed by Officer and Invincible Spirit (eight each), and Orientate (seven). In terms of A Runner Index, the list is led by the unheralded Val Royal (3.62), still only a £10,000 stallion at The National Stud in Britain, when he gets back into service, followed by Street Cry (3.33), Pure Prize (3.16), Sakhee (2.86), Officer (2.80), and E Dubai (2.72). Johannesburg, Rock of Gibraltar, and Invincible Spirit (all with more year-starters) also rate in the 2.00's. Invincible Sprit and Rock of Gibraltar are tied for the lead by number of ABC Runners, with 28 each, ahead of Officer and Johannesburg, each with 24; Include (21); Orientate (20); and Street Cry (19). E Dubai (2.17) is tops by ABC Runner Index, ahead of Officer (2.10).



BYRON ROGERS

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Are large stallion books good for the industry?

It would be populist to say "no they are not good for the industry," but I am sure that is the wrong answer. I think from a genetic viewpoint there is not a lot to worry about. Any suggestions about narrowing of the gene pool is plain fear-mongering by the uneducated as the Thoroughbred is a long, long way off having any problems with lack of genetic diversity. Any geneticist will tell you that. Actually the internationalisation of the Thoroughbred has done a good job in creating a fairly diverse gene pool and the free market does a great job in regulating itself. In Australia for example, the commercial gene pool is really reaching saturation with Danehill/Danzig blood, so you are seeing 1) breeders only wanting to buy mares that are not from this sire line so they can send them to the Danzig line; and 2) stallion owners desperately looking for a "foil" to Danzig. The same is occurring in Japan with Sunday Silence/Halo. It will sort itself out.



Byron Rogers

The common argument that "the next Danzig/Red Ransom wouldn't get an opportunity in this day" is also popular but far from reality based. The reality is that a lot of stallions that got mares in the past really don't deserve the mares that they got.

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"a really good sire"

Dehere has been missing in Japan, in Northern Hemisphere terms, the last few years. In 2002, when his oldest crop were six, he ranked second to El Prado on the North American General Sire List, and had a year end two-year-old ABC index of 3.30, ranking him sixth in the world.....He'd still be considered a really good sire if he'd never gone to Japan."

Bill Oppenheim, TDN, 2/6/08



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As the bar to become a top commercial stallion rises, then naturally the bar for the lesser commercial and regional areas rises as well as instead of these areas getting the unraced half-brother to the good stallion, they are getting a Grade 3 winner or a Grade 2 winner. They are getting a better horse to start with so from that viewpoint I think that bigger books are actually helping the industry breed a better horse overall. At any rate, if the stallion truly upgrades he will prove it despite the market's best efforts to deny him.

One matter I would raise as a concern is that because an increasing number of foals are entering the sale ring as opposed to being bred to race, from a product differentiation viewpoint we are starting to enter dangerous territory. As a sire serves bigger books, the uniqueness of the product is lost. When you went to a sale a decade ago and wanted to buy a Seattle Slew, you knew that there were probably going to be about 10-20 of them offered each year at the most, and that you would have to work hard to get one.

Now you know that there are probably going to be 40-50 of them offered (and some times up to 100) which is a little different. There is not that sense of desperation to buy, but rather comparison to buy as buyers start grading each foal by a sire more extensively than they would have in the past. This is not "good" for breeders as they are the ones that are taking the product to sale and subject to this arbitrage by the marketplace.

Will book size continue to grow?

Absolutely. Large stallion books will continue in a natural fashion because we are seeing across the world that there are less and less stallions to go to. The bar to be a stallion in any country is being raised each year as the market expects the stallion to provide more (or at least that is how the market is being marketed to believe!). Twenty years ago in Australia, there were some 2,000 stallions serving 25,000 mares; last year, there were a little over 700 serving the same number. The same is occurring in North America and Europe. Go and take a look at the stats from The Jockey Club. This is not a bad thing, either. More mares are tending, and tending is the key word, to go to better-class stallions, so the bar of what is being bred is rising.

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LEADING

Freshman Sire by Rate of Return

OBS Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training	Sale Avg.	Fee	ROR
Teton Forest	\$192,500	\$5,000	38.5
Speightstown	\$337,500	\$40,000	8.4
Friend's Lake	\$275,000	\$15,000	18.3
Chapel Royal	\$156,000	\$10,000	15.6
Cuvee	\$150,000	\$10,000	15.0

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The flip side to the coin is, of course, that stallions who ultimately turn out to be bad stallions get a lot more chance at stud than in hindsight they probably deserve. By the time we find out that a stallion should have been gelded for disservice to the breed, there are 400+ of his foals running around that, in the case of fillies, we then decide are good enough to breed from. Again, this is not the ideal, but you can't have it both ways, and ultimately the marketplace and the winning post decide who survives as far as stallions are concerned.

The more pertinent question is that while we are now applying a fairly severe genetic, conformation and performance test on the stallions that retire to stud, why are we not applying this test to the other side of the equation--the mares? It seems to me that we are quite happy to breed out of a mare that proved herself completely useless as a runner and can have next to zero pedigree to her--she still gets a chance to prove herself a useless breeder also, and of course we blame the stallion if her foals are useless.... Does this count as a win for the feminists?

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What is your prediction for 2008? Will book size continue to grow? Tell us what you think!**

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2008 ROAD TO THE CLASSICS		
DATE	RACE	TRACK
Feb. 24	GII Fountain of Youth S.	Gulfstream
Mar. 1	GIII Sham S. John Battaglia Mem'l S.	Santa Anita Turfway
Mar. 8	GII Louisiana Derby GIII El Camino Real Derby GIII Gotham BC S.	Fair Grounds Bay Meadows Aqueduct
Mar. 15	GII Rebel S. GII San Felipe S. GIII Tampa Bay Derby	Oaklawn Santa Anita Tampa Bay
Mar. 16	WinStar Derby	Sunland Park
Mar. 22	GII Lane's End S. Rushaway S. Private Terms S.	Turfway Turfway Laurel
Mar. 29	GI Florida Derby	Gulfstream
Apr. 5	GI Santa Anita Derby GI Wood Memorial S. GII Illinois Derby	Santa Anita Aqueduct Hawthorne
Apr. 12	GI Toyota Blue Grass S. GII Arkansas Derby GIII Holy Bull S.	Keeneland Oaklawn Gulfstream

BRIS Speed Ratings
Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Nite Light	Thunder Gulch	John B. Campbell H.	110
Golden Dawn	Hennessy	Barbara Fritchie H.-G2	106
Ruff and Ready	More Than Ready	Shotintheheart S.	105
Tribesman	Tribal Rule	Phoenix Gold Cup H.	104
Sugar Swirl	Touch Gold	Hurricane Bertie H.-G3	103
Straight Faced	Straight Man	Florida Thoroughbred Charities S.	102
Ravalo	Mutakddim	Impressive S.	101
Surf Cat	Sir Cat	San Carlos H.-G2	100
Billy Allen (Ire)	Night Shift	Turf Paradise H.	99
Kettleoneup	Victory Gallop	Pippin S.	99
Eight Belles	Unbridled's Song	Martha Washington S.	98
Vaulcluse	A.P. Indy	Suncoast S.	98
Calico Bay	Three Wonders	Darley Ocala Breeders' Sale Championship S.	96
Elliecat	Crafty Prospector	Chou Croute H.	96
Fierce Wind	Dixie Union	Sam F. Davis S.	96
Gold and Roses	Gold Token	Hollie Hughes H.	96
Ready for Fortune	More Than Ready	Dearly Precious S.	96
Sky Mom	Maria's Mon	Martha Washington S.	96
Why Tonto	Indian Charlie	Hallandale Beach S.	96
Dreaming of Anna	Rahy	Endeavour S.-G3	95
Halo Najib	Halo's Image	Darley Ocala Breeders' Sale Championship S.	95
Sea of Pleasure	Sea of Secrets	Sophomore Sprint S.	95
Ablaze With Spirit	American Spirit	Jim's Orbit S.	94
Cheroot	Smokester	Daytona H.	94
Self Made Man	Catienus	Dust Commander S.	94

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UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Feb. 23	GI Gulfstream Park BC S. GII San Luis Obispo H.	Gulfstream Santa Anita
Feb. 24	GII Fountain of Youth S.	Gulfstream
Mar. 1	GI Santa Anita H. GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile GII Gulfstream Park H. GIII Sham S.	Santa Anita Santa Anita Gulfstream Santa Anita
Mar. 2	GII Davona Dale S. GIII Baldwin S.	Gulfstream Santa Anita
Mar. 8	GI Santa Anita Oaks GII Louisiana Derby GII Mervin Muniz Mem. H. GII New Orleans H. GII Fair Grounds Oaks GII Richter Scale Sprint H. GIII Gotham S. GIII Toboggan H. GIII The Very One H. GIII Razorback H. GIII El Camino Real Derby	Santa Anita Fair Grounds Fair Grounds Fair Grounds Gulfstream Aqueduct Aqueduct Gulfstream Oaklawn Bay Meadows



BILL OPPENHEIM TABLES

TOP 20 F2003 SIREs by A RUNNER INDEX										
SIRE	ST	2008	Tot	Tot	Tot A	Tot	ABC	ABC	ABC	ABC
		Fee	Rnrs	A's	Index	ABC	Index	2yo	3yo	4yo
EXCHANGE RATE	KY	25000	169	12	3.55	23	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.7
PUT IT BACK	FL	7500	146	10	3.42	26	2.23	1.41	2.9	2.18
GALILEO	IR	225000	316	21	3.32	48	1.9	1.58	2.17	1.63
CITY ZIP	KY	15000	236	13	2.75	41	2.17	3.18	2.22	1.4
PERIGEE MOON	ON	n/a	141	7	2.48	14	1.24	1.9	1.22	0.73
BROKEN VOW	KY	30000	313	15	2.4	43	1.72	1.14	2.14	1.78
SONGANDAPRAYER	KY	25000	193	9	2.33	26	1.68	1.98	1.57	2.26
MEDICEAN	GB	30000	238	11	2.31	26	1.37	1.56	1.6	0.73
POINT GIVEN	KY	15000	198	9	2.27	19	1.2	1.18	1.31	1.01
SILVANO	S Afr	n/a	90	4	2.22	13	1.81	1.56	1.59	1.7
TRAJECTORY	ON	6000	134	5	1.87	19	1.77	2.91	1.63	1.15
MUNIR	Italy	4000	56	2	1.79	6	1.34	3.36	0.38	1.84
EL CORREDOR	KY	30000	302	10	1.66	35	1.45	1.24	1.61	1.56
TIZNOW	KY	30000	281	9	1.6	25	1.11	1.51	1.03	1.11
FANTASTIC LIGHT	JP	n/a	291	9	1.55	33	1.42	1.41	1.26	2.23
UNCLE ABBIE	TX	3000	66	2	1.52	3	0.57	0.81	0.77	0
KING CUGAT	NY	3500	135	4	1.48	9	0.83	0.99	0.78	0.82
MONARCHOS	KY	6000	171	5	1.46	17	1.24	1.65	1.19	1.09
FIVE STAR DAY	KY	15000	176	5	1.42	19	1.35	1.84	1.34	1.05
DISCO RICO	NY	4000	107	3	1.4	14	1.64	1.87	1.42	1.87

TOP 20 F2003 SIREs by NUMBER of A RUNNERS										
SIRE	ST	2008	Tot	Tot	Tot A	Tot	ABC	ABC	ABC	ABC
		Fee	Rnrs	A's	Index	ABC	Index	2yo	3yo	4yo
GALILEO	IR	225000	316	21	3.32	48	1.9	1.58	2.17	1.63
BROKEN VOW	KY	30000	313	15	2.4	43	1.72	1.14	2.14	1.78
CITY ZIP	KY	15000	236	13	2.75	41	2.17	3.18	2.22	1.4
EXCHANGE RATE	KY	25000	169	12	3.55	23	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.7
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TIZNOW	KY	30000	281	9	1.6	25	1.11	1.51	1.03	1.11
FANTASTIC LIGHT	JP	n/a	291	9	1.55	33	1.42	1.41	1.26	2.23
APTITUDE	KY	20000	295	8	1.36	27	1.14	0.39	1.72	0.57
PERIGEE MOON	ON	n/a	141	7	2.48	14	1.24	1.9	1.22	0.73
BLACK MINNALOUSHE	S Afr	n/a	252	7	1.39	15	0.74	0.42	0.69	1.37
TRIPPI	FL	12500	262	7	1.34	39	1.86	2.66	1.85	1.43
FOREST CAMP	Korea	n/a	261	6	1.15	29	1.39	1.61	1.71	0.45
TRAJECTORY	ON	6000	134	5	1.87	19	1.77	2.91	1.63	1.15
MONARCHOS	KY	6000	171	5	1.46	17	1.24	1.65	1.19	1.09
FIVE STAR DAY	KY	15000	176	5	1.42	19	1.35	1.84	1.34	1.05
BRAHMS	KY	8500	249	5	1	29	1.46	0.97	1.65	1.52
BERTOLINI	IR	10000	331	5	0.76	22	0.83	0.96	1.06	0.68



TOP 20 F2003 SIREs by ABC RUNNER INDEX

SIRE	ST	2008 Fee	Tot Rnrs	Tot A's	Tot A Index	Tot ABC	ABC Index	ABC 2yo	ABC 3yo	ABC 4yo
PUT IT BACK	FL	7500	146	10	3.42	26	2.23	1.41	2.9	2.18
CITY ZIP	KY	15000	236	13	2.75	41	2.17	3.18	2.22	1.4
FREUD	NY	10000	146	4	1.37	24	2.05	1.9	2.2	3.06
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TRIPPI	FL	12500	262	7	1.34	39	1.86	2.66	1.85	1.43
SILVANO	S Afr	n/a	90	4	2.22	13	1.81	1.56	1.59	1.7
TRAJECTORY	ON	6000	134	5	1.87	19	1.77	2.91	1.63	1.15
BROKEN VOW	KY	30000	313	15	2.4	43	1.72	1.14	2.14	1.78
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DISCO RICO	NY	4000	107	3	1.4	14	1.64	1.87	1.42	1.87
BRAHMS	KY	8500	249	5	1	29	1.46	0.97	1.65	1.52
EL CORREDOR	KY	30000	302	10	1.66	35	1.45	1.24	1.61	1.56
ECTON PARK	KY	7500	183	3	0.82	21	1.43	1.05	2.01	1.19
PRIME TIMBER	NY	3000	157	2	0.64	18	1.43	0.87	1.67	1.26
FANTASTIC LIGHT	JP	n/a	291	9	1.55	33	1.42	1.41	1.26	2.23
FOREST CAMP	Korea	n/a	261	6	1.15	29	1.39	1.61	1.71	0.45
MEDICEAN	GB	30000	238	11	2.31	26	1.37	1.56	1.6	0.73
FIVE STAR DAY	KY	15000	176	5	1.42	19	1.35	1.84	1.34	1.05
MUNIR	Italy	4000	56	2	1.79	6	1.34	3.36	0.38	1.84

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CITY ZIP	KY	15000	236	13	2.75	41	2.17	3.18	2.22	1.4
TRIPPI	FL	12500	262	7	1.34	39	1.86	2.66	1.85	1.43
EL CORREDOR	KY	30000	302	10	1.66	35	1.45	1.24	1.61	1.56
FANTASTIC LIGHT	JP	n/a	291	9	1.55	33	1.42	1.41	1.26	2.23
BRAHMS	KY	8500	249	5	1	29	1.46	0.97	1.65	1.52
FOREST CAMP	Korea	n/a	261	6	1.15	29	1.39	1.61	1.71	0.45
APTITUDE	KY	20000	295	8	1.36	27	1.14	0.39	1.72	0.57
PUT IT BACK	FL	7500	146	10	3.42	26	2.23	1.41	2.9	2.18
SONGANDAPRAYER	KY	25000	193	9	2.33	26	1.68	1.98	1.57	2.26
MEDICEAN	GB	30000	238	11	2.31	26	1.37	1.56	1.6	0.73
TIZNOW	KY	30000	281	9	1.6	25	1.11	1.51	1.03	1.11
FREUD	NY	10000	146	4	1.37	24	2.05	1.9	2.2	3.06
EXCHANGE RATE	KY	25000	169	12	3.55	23	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.7
BERTOLINI	IR	10000	331	5	0.76	22	0.83	0.96	1.06	0.68
ECTON PARK	KY	7500	183	3	0.82	21	1.43	1.05	2.01	1.19
TRAJECTORY	ON	6000	134	5	1.87	19	1.77	2.91	1.63	1.15
FIVE STAR DAY	KY	15000	176	5	1.42	19	1.35	1.84	1.34	1.05
POINT GIVEN	KY	15000	198	9	2.27	19	1.2	1.18	1.31	1.01



TOP 20 F2004 SIREs by A RUNNER INDEX

SIRE	ST	2008 Fee	Tot Rnrs	Tot A's	Tot A Index	Tot ABC	ABC Index	ABC 2yo	ABC 3yo
VAL ROYAL	GB	10000	69	5	3.62	7	1.27	1.25	1.62
STREET CRY	KY	100000	135	9	3.33	19	1.76	2.33	1.96
PURE PRIZE	KY	12500	95	6	3.16	14	1.84	2.94	1.68
SAKHEE	GB	10000	70	4	2.86	10	1.79	0.62	2.66
OFFICER	KY	35000	143	8	2.8	24	2.1	2.79	2.4
E DUBAI	KY	15000	92	5	2.72	16	2.17	2.96	2.58
JOHANNESBURG	KY	65000	242	12	2.48	24	1.24	1.71	1.39
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	IR	35000	205	10	2.44	28	1.71	2.68	1.66
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	IR	75000	179	8	2.23	28	1.96	3.61	1.31
ORIENTATE	KY	25000	182	7	1.92	20	1.37	1.58	1.62
LITTLEEXPECTATIONS	KY	3500	52	2	1.92	2	0.48	0.78	0.43
INVISIBLE INK	FL	n/a	30	1	1.67	2	0.83	0	1.15
YONAGUSKA	KY	10000	186	6	1.61	13	0.87	1.22	0.92
ISHIGURU	GB	4500	62	2	1.61	6	1.21	1.82	1.19
SAMUM	GE	10000	31	1	1.61	2	0.81	0	0.98
MIZZEN MAST	KY	20000	156	5	1.6	13	1.04	1.23	1.23
ACT ONE	GB	6000	66	2	1.52	5	0.95	1.28	0.97
ANABAA BLUE	FR	10000	108	3	1.39	8	0.93	0.77	1.22
GOLAN	IR	4000	73	2	1.37	6	1.03	2.43	0.57
SKIMMING	CA	7500	73	2	1.37	3	0.51	0	0.8

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JOHANNESBURG	KY	65000	242	12	2.48	24	1.24	1.71	1.39
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	IR	35000	205	10	2.44	28	1.71	2.68	1.66
STREET CRY	KY	100000	135	9	3.33	19	1.76	2.33	1.96
OFFICER	KY	35000	143	8	2.8	24	2.1	2.79	2.4
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	IR	75000	179	8	2.23	28	1.96	3.61	1.31
ORIENTATE	KY	25000	182	7	1.92	20	1.37	1.58	1.62
PURE PRIZE	KY	12500	95	6	3.16	14	1.84	2.94	1.68
YONAGUSKA	KY	10000	186	6	1.61	13	0.87	1.22	0.92
VAL ROYAL	GB	10000	69	5	3.62	7	1.27	1.25	1.62
E DUBAI	KY	15000	92	5	2.72	16	2.17	2.96	2.58
MIZZEN MAST	KY	20000	156	5	1.6	13	1.04	1.23	1.23
SAKHEE	GB	10000	70	4	2.86	10	1.79	0.62	2.66
JUMP START	KY	10000	149	4	1.34	15	1.26	1.39	1.69
INCLUDE	KY	35000	161	4	1.24	21	1.63	1.96	1.74
ANABAA BLUE	FR	10000	108	3	1.39	8	0.93	0.77	1.22
THREE WONDERS	FL	7500	126	3	1.19	9	0.89	2.04	0.41
NOVERRE	India	n/a	146	3	1.03	11	0.94	1.34	1.12
KYLLACHY	GB	12000	172	3	0.87	14	1.02	1.71	0.92
TOBOUGG	GB	5000	176	3	0.85	12	0.85	1.36	0.82

Eight Stallions Tied With 2



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SIRE	ST	2008 Fee	Tot Rnrs	Tot A's	Tot A Index	Tot ABC	ABC Index	ABC 2yo	ABC 3yo
E DUBAI	KY	15000	92	5	2.72	16	2.17	2.96	2.58
OFFICER	KY	35000	143	8	2.8	24	2.1	2.79	2.4
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	IR	75000	179	8	2.23	28	1.96	3.61	1.31
PURE PRIZE	KY	12500	95	6	3.16	14	1.84	2.94	1.68
SAKHEE	GB	10000	70	4	2.86	10	1.79	0.62	2.66
STREET CRY	KY	100000	135	9	3.33	19	1.76	2.33	1.96
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	IR	35000	205	10	2.44	28	1.71	2.68	1.66
GRAEME HALL	FL	5000	88	2	1.14	12	1.7	1.56	2.02
INCLUDE	KY	35000	161	4	1.24	21	1.63	1.96	1.74
ORIENTATE	KY	25000	182	7	1.92	20	1.37	1.58	1.62
RED BULLET	FL	10000	73	0	0	8	1.37	2.87	0.89
VAL ROYAL	GB	10000	69	5	3.62	7	1.27	1.25	1.62
JUMP START	KY	10000	149	4	1.34	15	1.26	1.39	1.69
JOHANNESBURG	KY	65000	242	12	2.48	24	1.24	1.71	1.39
ISHIGURU	GB	4500	62	2	1.61	6	1.21	1.82	1.19
ROYAL DRAGON	GE	5000	32	0	0	3	1.17	1.36	1.29
FATH	IR	3000	91	1	0.55	8	1.1	2.38	0.57
SAGACITY	FR	2500	57	0	0	5	1.1	1.98	0.86
KINSHASA	ON	n/a	35	0	0	3	1.07	2.3	0.65
MIZZEN MAST	KY	20000	156	5	1.6	13	1.04	1.23	1.23

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SIRE	ST	2008 Fee	Tot Rnrs	Tot A's	Tot A Index	Tot ABC	ABC Index	ABC 2yo	ABC 3yo
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	IR	75000	179	8	2.23	28	1.96	3.61	1.31
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	IR	35000	205	10	2.44	28	1.71	2.68	1.66
OFFICER	KY	35000	143	8	2.8	24	2.1	2.79	2.4
JOHANNESBURG	KY	65000	242	12	2.48	24	1.24	1.71	1.39
INCLUDE	KY	35000	161	4	1.24	21	1.63	1.96	1.74
ORIENTATE	KY	25000	182	7	1.92	20	1.37	1.58	1.62
STREET CRY	KY	100000	135	9	3.33	19	1.76	2.33	1.96
E DUBAI	KY	15000	92	5	2.72	16	2.17	2.96	2.58
JUMP START	KY	10000	149	4	1.34	15	1.26	1.39	1.69
PURE PRIZE	KY	12500	95	6	3.16	14	1.84	2.94	1.68
KYLLACHY	GB	12000	172	3	0.87	14	1.02	1.71	0.92
MIZZEN MAST	KY	20000	156	5	1.6	13	1.04	1.23	1.23
YONAGUSKA	KY	10000	186	6	1.61	13	0.87	1.22	0.92
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NOVERRE	India	n/a	146	3	1.03	11	0.94	1.34	1.12
SAKHEE	GB	10000	70	4	2.86	10	1.79	0.62	2.66
THREE WONDERS	FL	7500	126	3	1.19	9	0.89	2.04	0.41
RED BULLET	FL	10000	73	0	0	8	1.37	2.87	0.89
FATH	IR	3000	91	1	0.55	8	1.1	2.38	0.57
ANABAA BLUE	FR	10000	108	3	1.39	8	0.93	0.77	1.22
CAME HOME	JP	n/a	108	2	0.93	8	0.93	1.15	1.01



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ASCOT KNIGHT EUTHANIZED Leading Canadian sire **Ascot Knight** (Danzig--Bambee T. T., by Better Bee) was euthanized at Windfields Farm in Ontario Feb. 8



Ascot Knight (1984--2008)
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due to declining health. The 24-year-old stallion, pensioned from stud duty in January, was buried at the farm cemetery alongside luminaries Northern Dancer, South Ocean, Vice Regent and Windfields. Produced by a full sister to the dam of Clever Trick, the \$1.4-million KEEJUL yearling was campaigned by Gainsborough in Great Britain. The half-brother to Canadian champion Bounding

Away and Spanish champion Petit Loup captured the Scottish Derby and was runner-up in the G1 Matchmaker International S. and the G2 Dante S, earning \$216,582 while compiling a record of 10-2-3-2. Acquired by Windfields for stallion duties, Ascot Knight established himself as one of the best stallions in Canada, siring Sovereign Award winner Pennyhill Park as well as Grade/Group 1 winners Influent and Bahamian Knight. From 17 crops of racing age--including this year's crop of 12 juveniles--the bay has sired 32 stakes winners (6 percent of foals), and has progeny earnings over \$26.7 million.

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CBA Elects New Board Members:

The Consignors and Breeders Association has added three members to its Board of Directors. The new directors are Darrell Brown of Stonereath Farm, Neil Howard of Gainesway Farm and Martha Jane Mulholland of Mulholland Springs. The CBA holds elections each February for an alternating six and seven vacant seats on its 13-member Board. Re-elected this year were Robbie Lyons of Hartwell Farm, Joe Seitz of Brookdale Farm, Mark Taylor of Taylor Made and Rob Whiteley of Liberation Farm.

★ EAST ★

OBS March and Adena Springs Catalogues On Net:

Catalogues for the OBS March Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training and the Adena Springs Two-Year-Old Sale are now available at www.obssales.com. The March Sale is set for Mar. 18-19, with the bidding beginning at 11 a.m. each day. The Adena sale will be held Monday, Mar. 17, starting at 4:30 p.m.

TODAY'S INSIGHTS
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2:42p **4th-GPX, \$40K, Msw, 3yo, 6f**
HRTV PUBLIC SPEAKER (Distorted Humor) debuts for WinStar Farm and trainer Todd Pletcher, who wins with 22 percent in this condition. The \$300K KEENOV weanling, a son of the stakes-producing Argentine mare Guernika, has been working forwardly of late, including a five-furlong move in 1:01 1/5 at Palm Beach Downs Feb. 15. **Arizona (Carson City)** was favored in his bow, and came home a good third after encountering some problems in the mile test over the Polytrack at Arlington Sept. 1. brisnet.com pps

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20:

- 03-01 \$350,000 **Gulfstream Park H.-II, GP**, 4yo/up, 9.5f (350)
- 03-22 \$500,000 **Lane's End-II, TP**, 3yo, 9f (300)
- 04-05 \$500,000 **Ashland-I, Kee**, 3yo, f, 8.5f (AWT) (100)
- 04-12 \$750,000 **Toyota Blue Grass-I, Kee**, 3yo, 9f (AWT) (200)

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

- 03-01 \$200,000 **Sham-III, SA**, 3yo, 9f (AWT) (200)
- 03-02 \$150,000 **Davona Dale-II, GP**, 3yo, f, 8f (150)

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CHRB Conducting Surfaces Forum:

The California Horse Racing Board will conduct a Special Purpose Meeting today at 10 a.m. in the Baldwin Terrace Room at Santa Anita. The meeting will be webcast through www.chrb.ca.gov. "We have scheduled this special meeting in part to review our track surfaces," explained CHRB Chairman Richard B. Shapiro. "Clearly, with the situation that has developed at Santa Anita, and much that has been written about the Board's mandate, it seems logical and appropriate to pause and see where we are today, what we know today, and what we should be looking for or doing differently in the future. The meeting is to review where we are, identify concerns, discuss solutions, get the facts to date, improve communications, and create collaborative efforts." Among the panelists slated to participate are Hall of Famers Richard Mandella and Gary Stevens as well as riders Garrett Gomez, Aaron Gryder and David Flores.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

FAIR GROUNDS

Kodiak Kowboy (Posse), 5f, 1:01.00, 1/16
 Rated Fiesty (Exchange Rate), 5f, 1:02.00, 7/16

PAYSON PARK

Rondo (Grand Slam), 3f, :39.20, 2/4
 La Dolce Vita (Quiet American), 4fT, :47.00, 1/10
 Pellegrino (Brz) (Nugget Point {Ire}), 4f, :50.20, 8/10
 El Sultry Sun (Eltish), 5f, 1:02.00, 3/3

HOLLYWOOD

Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}), 5f, 1:04.00, 11/15

PALM MEADOWS

High Finance (Talk is Money), 3f, :37.40, 9/11
 Chelokee (Cherokee Run), 4f, :48.60, 6/29
 Tomcito (Street Cry {Ire}), 4f, :46.00, 1/29

SANTA ANITA

Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet), 4f, :49.80, 20/31
 Tough Tiz's Sis (Tiznow), 4f, :47.40, 2/31
 Colonel John (Tiznow), 7f, 1:24.80, 1/4

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*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW
 Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- DREWMAN** (Unbridled), Ocala Stud, \$3K, 123/16/0
5-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Decadent Man, 8-1
- EASYFROMTHEGITGO** (Dehere), 519 Tbreeds, 56/3/0
3-DED, Msw, 7f, +Canyouketchup, \$9K LTB AUG 2yo, 10-1
- EQUALITY** (Mt. Livermore), Dickinson, \$2K, 48/9/1
5-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Bipolar Express, \$14K MIC AUG yrl, 6-1
- HOLD THAT TIGER** (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$15K, 250/27/2
4-GP, Msw, 6f, Tiger Bud, 10-1
- INDY KING** (A.P. Indy), Adena South, \$2K, 58/4/0
8-TAM, Alw, 1mT, Indy's Ahyoka, \$27K OBS APR 2yo, 3-1
- LIDO PALACE (CHI)** (Rich Man's Gold), Lambholm South, \$9K, 88/7/0
10-TAM, Msw, 1mT, +Palace Charm, \$1K OBS WIN yrl, 10-1
- MILWAUKEE BREW** (Wild Again), Adena South, \$15K, 162/21/0
10-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Cervesa Especial, \$30K OBS AUG yrl, 20-1
- PAYNES BAY** (Mr. Prospector), Norse Ridge, \$3K, 82/4/0
5-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Commander Bay, \$1K OBS AUG yrl, 9-2
- REPENT** (Louis Quatorze), Vinery Florida, \$5K, 158/25/4
8-TAM, Alw, 1mT, Repent's Gem, 4-1
- SEEKING DAYLIGHT** (Seeking the Gold), Maryland Stallion, \$7K, 55/7/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Little Bobber, \$9K EAS DEC wnl, 8-1
- SKY MESA** (Pulpit), Three Chimneys, \$30K, 177/14/1
8-LRL, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Sky Heat, \$100K EAS MAY 2yo, 3-1
- SLIGO BAY (IRE)** (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 128/11/1
8-TAM, Alw, 1mT, Sara's Hot Shot, \$3K OBS JUN 2yo, 8-1
- SMOOTH JAZZ** (Storm Boot), Cloverleaf II, \$3K, 70/12/1
6-DED, Aoc, 5f, Inca River, \$5K OBS AUG yrl, 10-1
- WINDSOR CASTLE** (Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain, \$3K, 26/3/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Marcy Claim Tofame, 8-1

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★ FRANCE ★

LETTRE SPIRITUELLE TOPS ARQANA MIXED SALE

Following last year's record gains, trade returned to a more somber level at Arqana's one-day February Mixed Sale at Deauville yesterday. There was an international presence once again as California-based agent Francoise Dupuis landed Hip 185, **Lettre Spirituelle (GB)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), for a session-topping €100,000. It was the only six-figure transaction of the day. Presented by trainer Valerie Dissaux, the three-year-old filly enhanced her value with a hat trick of all-weather wins at the end of last year and her page received an additional boost with the Grade 2 hurdle success of half-brother Aigle d'Or (GB) at Cheltenham last month. She is set to further her career in the States. Second highest price of the day, €67,000, was paid by BBA Ireland for the three-year-old **Kappa** (Storm Cat), a full-brother to G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Denebola from a deep Niarchos family page. Offered out of training as Hip 155 from Pascal Bary's Chantilly barn, the unraced colt is a son of G1 Prix Morny and G1 Prix de Salamandre victress Coup de Genie, a daughter of Coup de Folie and a full-sister to Machiavellian and Ocean of Wisdom. The highest price achieved by the Ecurie Cohen dispersal was realised by the winning seven-year-old mare **Winding Road (Fr)** (Barathea {Ire}), who went the way of Francois Rohaut for €60,000. Offered as Hip 103, she was sold with a five-week-old Aussie Rules filly at foot and hails from the immediate family of Ecurie Wildenstein stalwart Westerner (GB). Despite wholesale drops on last year's impressive figures, the returns registered a significant improvement on the 2006 comparatives. The €8,460 average, down over 62 percent on last year's equivalent, boasted an increase of almost 43 percent on the previous year. The €3,500 median experienced the same rollercoaster effect, down 56 percent on 2007, but up almost 17 percent on 2006. "The aggregate at today's sale was much the same as at last year's February sale if you take out the dispersal from the Haras de Saint Pair du Mont, which enabled us to achieve a record result in 2007," said Arqana President Eric Hoyeau. "All of the sale's statistics are well up from previous years, so [it is] a satisfactory result for a sale appreciated by many vendors." Full results can be viewed at www.arqana.com.


★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Result:

Southwell, 3.40, Mdn, £3,600, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:20.15, stn.

THEBES (GB) (c, 3, Cadeaux Genereux {GB}--See You Later {GB} {MSP-Eng}, by Emarati), went postward as the 4-6 choice returning from a debut second at Wolverhampton Feb. 9. On the front end from the bell, the 270,000gns TATOCT yearling took command at the top of the stretch and was urged clear from the quarter-mile marker to comfortably best Flying Sommelier (Dixieland Band) by six lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £3,182.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Whitsbury Manor Stud & Mrs M E Slade; T-Mark Johnston.

 DEAUVILLE FEBRUARY MIXED SALE TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 2008		
	2008	2007
No. Offered	213	224
No. Sold	120	149
RNA	93	75
% RNA	43.7%	33.5%
High Price	€100,000	€420,000
Gross	€1,015,200	€3,320,400
Average (% change)	€8,460 (-62%)	€22,285
Median (% change)	€3,500 (-56.3%)	€8,000
*Total Private Sales:		
No. Sold	6	9
Gross	€127,000	€36,700
Adjusted Gross	€1,142,200	€3,357,100
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★ GERMANY ★

SHIROCCO'S DAM SO SEDULOUS EUTHANIZED

Baron Georg von Ullmann's high-class producer **So Sedulous** (The Minstrel--Sedulous {Ire}, by Tap on Wood {Ire}) has been euthanized following a severe illness. The bay 17-year-old proved herself a star in the Baron's broodmare band by producing numerous stakes winners by stellar sire Monsun (Ger). The very best of these is Darley sire and international champion **Shirocco (Ger)** whose major victories include the G1 Breeders' Cup Turf, G1 Coronation Cup, G1 Deutsches Derby and G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club. His brother **Subiaco (Ger)** was a top stayer and won four group races as well as running second in the Deutsches Derby, while another stakes-winning brother **Storm Trooper (Ger)** ran third in Germany's premier Classic. The fourth stakes winner from this combination is listed scorer **September Storm (Ger)**, who maintained So Sedulous' 100 percent record by becoming her fifth son to contest the German Derby; half-brother **Satchmo (Ger)** (Surumu {Ger}) being the first to do so in 1999. So Sedulous has the nine-year-old **Shoah (Ger)**, a winning daughter of Acatenango (Ger), as well as two Monsun fillies, **So Squally (Ger)** and **Swish (Ger)**, to secure the line. Her last offspring is another Monsun colt, a yearling who has already been named **Slash (Ger)**.

POMELLATO INJURED

Gestut Ittlingen's **Pomellato (Ger)** (Big Shuffle), Germany's leading juvenile colt of 2007, has sustained an undisclosed training injury which will keep him off the track for most, if not all, of the forthcoming European turf season. Trained by Peter Schiergen, Pomellato improved off a debut win at Frankfurt in August to garner the Aug. 31 G3 Maurice Lacroix-Trophy at Baden-Baden later that month. He suffered his only defeat when fourth in the G1 Gran Criterium at Milan's San Siro in October and closed his freshman campaign with an impressive score in the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte at the beginning of November.



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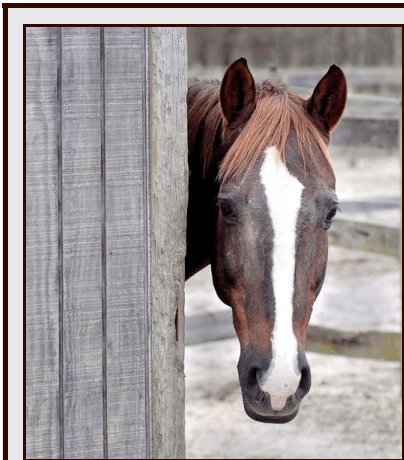


★ DUBAI ★

SEACHANGE ARRIVES IN DUBAI

Champion New Zealand mare **Seachange (NZ)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) has arrived in Dubai after a 25-hour journey via Singapore. The six-year-old Seachange, a seven-time Group 1 winner in her homeland, will now likely use the Mar. 6 Jebel Hatta S. as a prep for the \$5-million G1 Dubai Duty Free Mar. 29. Both races are 1777 meters on Nad Al Sheba's turf course. Seachange is set to be the first Kiwi to run at the Dubai International Racing Carnival, the prelude to Dubai World Cup day. Her groom and regular track-work rider, Jayne Ivil, said the mare endured the grueling trip as well as could be expected. "It's taken us more than 24 hours to get here, whereas before, the furthest she had traveled was three hours to Australia," said Ivil. "So naturally, she's a little quiet and is taking it all in, in her own time. I think she'll perk up once we start getting her into a routine again, and we'll take her to the track tomorrow morning. We'll probably give her a serious workout on Saturday morning, and continue to work her pretty hard." Trained by Ralph Manning, who arrives in Dubai on Friday, the star mare will be hoping to fare even better than her compatriot Sunline (NZ), who finished third in the 2001 Dubai Duty Free. "She is the best New Zealand horse since Sunline," Ivil added. "She tries her heart out each time she races. The only doubt is the distance which may be a touch beyond her, but she will not let us down."

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AUSTRALASIA



SWETTENHAM DISPERSAL HEADLINES

EASTER BROODMARE SALE In advance of Friday's closing date for entries for the William Inglis & Son Easter Broodmare Sale, Inglis has confirmed the sale will feature the complete unreserved dispersal of the Swettenham Stud broodmare band. The dispersal will take place on the opening day of the sale, Sunday May 4, promising a strong start to the two day select portion of the sale. The first general session commences Tuesday, May 6. "With such a high standard of entries, the 2008 Easter Broodmare Sale looks sure to be a bumper one," said Inglis Director of Bloodstock Jonathan D'Arcy. "The addition of the Swettenham draft adds to the global appeal and cosmopolitan flavour of a sale that already features a group of high quality mares from the USA and UK covered Southern Hemisphere time by some of the worlds best stallions." Highlights of the 54-strong Swettenham draft can be viewed at www.inglis.co.au.

PERFECT PERSUASION RETIRED *Perfect Persuasion (Aus)* (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), sold for a then-record \$A2.6 million to top the 2006 Inglis Easter sale, has been retired. The sophomore filly, a full sister to MG1SW Alinghi (Aus), pulled up lame in her near fore-leg following her last start at Sandown Feb. 13, when she beat just one runner home. "She got her black type as a two-year-old, but her spring preparation was littered with misfortune, and to have this happen to the connections on the eve of her autumn campaign is particularly disappointing," trainer Lee Freedman said. "I am not suggesting that she had the brilliance of her sister, but she always promised that much more than she delivered on race day." The sophomore won once in 10 starts and placed in the Listed Talindert S., earning A\$25,430. Knocked down to Demi O'Byrne, the filly was raced by the Coolmore Syndicate, the Freedman family's Markdel Syndicate, E. J. Lucas and Yarraman Park Stud, which offered her for sale.



SOUTH AMERICA



WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE:

Storm Sport (Arg), c, 4, **Bernstein**--Shy Spray (Arg), by Shy Tom. Palermo, 2-18, Allowance, 1000m, :57.30. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0. O-Ricardo Oscar Benedicto; B-La Pasion (ARG); T-Juan Carlos Etchechoury.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PHA, \$49,632, NW1X, 3yo, 1m70y, 1:43 4/5, ft. **KUDU (c, 3, Menifee--Buckaroo Zoo {MSW & GSP, \$216,728}, by Buckaroo)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$71,848. O-Robert Harvey. B-Daniel M Ryan (PA). T-John C Servis. *\$45,000 yrl '06 FTMOCT.

7th-PHA, \$48,208, NW2X, 4yo/up, 1m70y, 1:41 4/5, ft.

THREE IN THE BAG (g, 6, Silver Deputy--Light Show, by Pleasant Colony) Lifetime Record: SP, 26-7-6-2, \$237,150. O-Michael Dubb. B-Kinghaven Farms Limited (ON). T-Anthony W Dutrow. *\$200,000 yrl '03 KEESSEP.

9th-PHA, \$45,936, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:46, ft.

DUCHESS OF STANCO (f, 4, Scorpion--Most Proud, by Smart Strike) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$71,620. O-Jeff Singer. B-Dr Ruben Vallejo (KY). T-John C Servis.

8th-MNR, \$24,900, 2-18, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:45 2/5, my.

CAVALRY N' GOLD (g, 4, Castine--Apple Turn {SW}, by Aye's Turn) Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-3, \$24,496. O/B-John D McKee (WV). T-Donald D Shade.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sister Dolores, f, 3, **The Kaiser**--Rosa de Lima (Per), by Prince (Per). TAM, 2-19, 1mT, 1:39 4/5. B-Frank Bertolino (FL).

Lumpy Proof, c, 4, **Dusty Screen**--Resounding Proof, by Proof. PHA, 2-19, 1m70y, 1:43 3/5. B-Spring Run Nursery (NJ).

First of May, c, 4, **Lite the Fuse**--Mato, by Take Me Out. TAM, 2-19, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Robert Deckert Sr., Robert Deckert Jr. & Deckert Enterprises LLP #2 (NY).

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