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FRIDAY IS LADIES' DAY AT BREEDERS' CUP

In a major change in format, the 2008 Breeders' Cup World Championships will feature all five of its races for female horses on the Friday card, it was announced Wednesday. The two-day Breeders' Cup event will be held this year at Santa Anita on Friday, Oct. 24 and Saturday, Oct. 25. The Breeders' Cup also announced that it has renamed the GI Breeders Cup Distaff the GI Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic, which will be the premier race on the Breeders' Cup Friday program. It marks the first time a major Thoroughbred event in North America has focused an entire day on female championship racing. In addition to the championship events at the track, the Breeders' Cup plans to develop a series of festivities designed to promote the new Friday format, including



Ginger Punch, final winner of the BC Distaff

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cause-related programs focused on women's health. Friday's lineup will now include the \$2-million GI Juvenile Fillies, \$1-million Juvenile Fillies Turf, \$1-million F/M Sprint and \$2-million GI F/M Turf. "The initial response from the Breeders' Cup family, including ESPN, our marketing partners, nominators and trustees, has been extremely supportive and enthusiastic," said Breeders' Cup President and CEO Greg Avioli. "By shifting some of our traditional Saturday races to Friday, we ensure that Friday stands on its own as an international competition of the highest level. This new format provides a great stage to showcase the talents of the best female Thoroughbreds in the world." Breeders' Cup officials are in discussions with several prominent non-profit women's organizations and expect to announce partners in March. The 2007 renewal of the Breeders' Cup was the first conducted in a two-day format. In December, three races were added to the program: the \$1-million Turf Sprint, Juvenile Fillies Turf and \$500,000 Marathon. The Juvenile Turf and Dirt Mile, run on Breeders' Cup Friday in 2007, will now be run on Saturday.

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BIG FIELD FOR BIG 'CAP

Saturday's renewal of the GI Santa Anita H. marks only the second time in the last 25 years that the field for the race has reached 14 entries. West Point Thoroughbreds's **Awesome Gem** (Awesome Again), eighth in last year's Big 'Cap, has been installed the 4-1 morning-line favorite.



Awesome Gem

Benoit

"He goes out there and lays his body down, and hopefully, the San Antonio was a good tightener for him to set up his stretch kick that we know he has, and get that Grade I win under his belt. He's definitely come close." Dollase will also saddle **Monterey Jazz** (Thunderello), 5-1 on the morning line. The four-year-old won the GIII Sir Beaufort S. over the turf last December and switched to the main track to win the Feb. 2 GII Strub S. last time out. "He's really improved immensely," Dollase said. Of his Big 'Cap duo, Dollase added, "I'm not a very good poker player, but I've got a good hand here." **Cont. p2**

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WALDROP TESTIFIES BEFORE CONGRESS Alex Waldrop, president and chief executive officer of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, testified before the United States House of Representatives Wednesday about performance-enhancing drugs in



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horse racing. Waldrop spoke in front of the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection in a forum called "Drugs in Sports: Compromising the Health of Athletes and Undermining the Integrity of Competition."

Waldrop was part of a panel that included speakers from the U.S. Olympic Committee and the National Collegiate Athletics Association, among others. In his testimony, Waldrop presented a Thoroughbred racing community which was generally unified against performance-enhancing drugs in competition, and addressed the current hot-button issue of steroids in racing. He commented, "In 2007, the [Racing Medication and Testing Consortium] and the [Association of Racing Commissioners International] completed development of a model rule that will effectively prohibit the use of anabolic steroids in racehorses. While FDA-approved anabolic steroids may have some therapeutic value in treating racehorses, horsemen, tracks and breeders all agree that racehorses should not compete on anabolic steroids." He added, "The model rule has been or is being adopted by Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington. Florida, Kentucky, Maryland and Texas are among the many other states that are expected to support the model steroid rule, as well. We continue to work with the remaining jurisdictions to secure their support." Waldrop fielded questions from two U.S. Representatives, including committee member Ed Whitfield (R-KY). Whitfield noted that the racing industry actively urged congress to pass the Interstate Wagering Act, allowing for simulcast wagering among states, and asked Waldrop if he thought it was unreasonable for Congress to require racing jurisdictions to adopt a uniform policy by a certain date to be included under the act. "No, it would not," Waldrop responded. Waldrop later elaborated on the issue when a similar question was posed by another representative, saying that he felt federal intervention on the issue was unnecessary. "We think we're getting that confluence of an active group of states getting behind a model rule, not because of Congress, but because of our owners, who spend billions of dollars on horses, and horseplayers, who wager billions and want the sport to be on the up and up." *For a transcript of Waldrop's prepared notes, click [here](#).*

Another *Cool* Winner for **MINESHAFT**

The day before **COOL COAL MAN** took the Grade 2 Fountain of Youth, CASINO DRIVE, a 1/2 brother to Rags to Riches and Jazil won his first start by 11 1/2 lengths in Japan!

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Big Field in the Big 'Cap (cont. from p 1)

Trainer Bobby Frankel, who won the Big 'Cap with Milwaukee Brew in 2002 and 2003, will saddle **Champs Elysees** (Danehill) Saturday. The five-year-old, winner of the GII San Marcos S., will be making his first start on the main track, but Frankel is not concerned. "He trains good on the synthetic surface," explained Frankel, "and the way this track is playing, I think he's got a chance. His full brother is Dansili, one of the leading sires in Europe, and he's the leading all-weather sire over there."

Saturday, Santa Anita

SANTA ANITA H.-GI, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m (AWT)

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----|
| 1 | Champs Elysees (GB) | Danehill | Dominguez | 117 |
| 2 | Tiago | Pleasant Tap | Smith | 119 |
| 3 | Big Booster | Accelerator | M Baze | 115 |
| 4 | Medici Code (GB) | Medicean (GB) | Pedroza | 115 |
| 5 | Awesome Gem | Awesome Again | Flores | 117 |
| 6 | Monterey Jazz | Thunderello | R Baze | 119 |
| 7 | Zappa | Afternoon Deelites | Rosario | 114 |
| 8 | Seminole Native | Lil Tyler | Valdivia | 113 |
| 9 | Celtic Dreamin | Game Plan | Solis | 115 |
| 10 | Heatseeker (Ire) | Giant's Causeway | Bejarano | 116 |
| 11 | Student Council | Kingmambo | Migliore | 117 |
| 12 | Go Between | Point Given | Gomez | 118 |
| 13 | Great Hunter | Aptitude | Espinoza | 115 |
| 14 | Air Commander | Point Given | Gryder | 116 |



☆ SALES NEWS ☆

NO REGRETS FOR RAYMAN At two-year-old auctions, speed is usually king. In many cases, a swift breeze translates into high six- and seven-figure price tags. Owner Drew Rayman threw caution to the wind at Tuesday's Fasig-Tipton Calder sale, offering a trio of juveniles which merely galloped under tack, or "Zephyr-breezed," instead of being asked for a top effort. While Rayman elected to buy back all three horses--he withdrew a fourth horse prior to the sale--he sees Tuesday's results as something other than an abject failure. "I am not at all disappointed," said Rayman. "I didn't expect much more than what happened here. People got to see something a little bit different and I think that it'll stick in their minds if next year we come to the sale and do the same thing and the horses that we slow-breezed the first time turn out to be nice horses." Employing the services of trainers John Kimmel and Ken McPeck last summer, Rayman purchased three youngsters at the Fasig-Tipton July sale and added one to his portfolio at the Saratoga sale (*see graphic below*). Following his purchase of the Candy Ride filly last summer, Kimmel, a veterinarian, reasoned that too much is asked of young horses leading up to the juvenile sales and that Rayman would be experimenting with this new approach at the 2008 juvenile sales. With results now in hand, Rayman remains committed to his philosophy. "A lot of people said to see the horse in its natural gait was nice--they enjoyed it," Rayman stated. "Everyone comes to the show to see a breeze, so they were a little taken aback. It might take a year or two for it to catch on." He added, "I think it went well. I bought back all the ones that Zephyr-breezed to race and they're all doing extremely well and they're mentally perfect and I'm going to go on and race them all. I've got a feeling that I've got a couple here that are going to go on and do very well." Rayman, who races under Rayzin the Bar Stable, said that the Meniffee colt would be turned over to McPeck. The three fillies will be split between Kimmel and Christophe Clement.

RAYZIN' THE BAR PINHOOKS--F-T CALDER

| Hip | Sex | Sire | Yrl Price | 2yo Price |
|-----|-----|------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 15 | f | Smarty Jones | \$150,000 | (\$110,000) |
| 30 | f | Candy Ride (Arg) | \$230,000 | Out |
| 75 | f | More Than Ready | \$170,000 | (\$170,000) |
| 166 | c | Meniffee | \$97,000 | (\$72,000) |

☆ PREVIEW ☆

Saturday, Santa Anita
FRANK E. KILROE MILE H.-GI, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | War Monger | War Chant | Desormeaux | 116 |
| 2 | Mr Napper Tandy (GB) | Bahamian Bounty (GB) | Migliore | 114 |
| 3 | Out of Control (Brz) | Vettori (Ire) | M Baze | 117 |
| 4 | Artiste Royal (Ire) | Danehill | Bejarano | 118 |
| 5 | Storm Military (Arg) | Bernstein | Gomez | 116 |
| 6 | Willow O Wisp | Misnomer | Espinoza | 114 |
| 7 | Ever a Friend | Crafty Friend | T Baze | 113 |

Saturday, Gulfstream Park
GULFSTREAM PARK H.-GII, \$350,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/16m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY |
|----|------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 | Wood Be Willing | Pulpit | Lezcano |
| 2 | Fairbanks | Giant's Causeway | Velazquez |
| 3 | Kiss the Kid | Lemon Drop Kid | Castro |
| 4 | Sir Whimsey | Jump Start | Prado |
| 5 | Leonnatus Anteus | Stormy Atlantic | Coa |

All carry 115, except Sir Whimsey at 117.

Saturday, Santa Anita
SHAM S.-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m (AWT)

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|------------------|----------|-----|
| 1 | El Gato Malo | El Corredor | Flores | 120 |
| 2 | Success Fee | Mineshaft | M Baze | 116 |
| 3 | Coast Guard | Stormy Atlantic | Bejarano | 116 |
| 4 | Trevor's Clever | Stephen Got Even | T Baze | 116 |
| 5 | Victory Pete | Five Star Day | Talamo | 116 |
| 6 | Colonel John | Tiznow | Gomez | 118 |
| 7 | Reflect Times (Jpn) | French Deputy | Smith | 116 |

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

| Date | Race | Track |
|--------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Mar. 1 | GI Santa Anita H. | Santa Anita |
| | GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile | Santa Anita |
| | GII Gulfstream Park H. | Gulfstream |
| Mar. 2 | GIII Sham S. | Santa Anita |
| | GII Davona Dale S. | Gulfstream |
| | GIII Baldwin S. | Santa Anita |

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| Rank (prev. week) | Name | Owner | Breeder | Trainer | Last Race - Video | Best BRIS | STATUS |
|-------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------------------|-----------|---|
| 1(1) | WAR PASS (Cherokee Run) (<i>'08: 1-1-0-0, \$36,000</i>) <i>(A half brother to GISW Oath, was ultra impressive against lesser rivals in 2008 debut...Christina Bossinakis)</i> | Robert LaPenta | Cherry Valley | Zito | <u>1st GP Alw</u> | 114 | 3/15 GIII Tampa Bay Dbv RETIRES TO LANE'S END |
| 2(2) | MAJESTIC WARRIOR (A.P. Indy) (<i>'07: 3-2-0-0, \$195,200</i>) <i>(Regally bred colt, hero of the GI Hopeful, should rebound this year....Marie Kizenko)</i> | Kinsman | Homebred | Mott | <u>6th-GI Champagne S.</u> | 102 | In Florida RETIRES TO COOLMORE |
| 3(3) | TALE OF EKATI (Tale of the Cat) (<i>'07: 4-2-1-0, \$313,200</i>) <i>(The GII Futurity winner is from the family of champion Sky Beauty, MGISW Pine Island and BC Distaff winner Pleasant Home...J Martini)</i> | Charles Fipke | Homebred | Tagg | <u>4th GI BC Juvenile</u> | 100 | 3/8 GII Louisiana Derby |
| 4(*) | PYRO (Pulpit) (<i>'08: 1-1-0-0, \$180,000; '07: 6-3-1-1, \$259,422</i>) <i>(Left the racing world buzzing following explosive stretch run in GIII Risen Star, but still has to prove he can defeat the champ...Steve Sherack)</i> | Winchell Tbreds | Homebred | Asmussen | <u>1st GIII Risen Star S.</u> | 96 | 3/8 GII Louisiana Derby |
| 5(5) | COURT VISION (Gulch) (<i>'08: 1-0-0-1, \$35,000</i>) <i>(MGSW closed well despite slow pace in seasonal bow; he is from one of the best stallion families around; dam a full to Summer Squall & 1/2 to A.P. Indy...Marie Kizenko)</i> | WinStar/IEAH | W S Farish | Mott | <u>3rd GII Fountain of Youth</u> | 96 | Undecided |
| 6(6) | ETCHED (Forestry) (<i>'08: 1-0-0-1, \$12,500</i>) <i>(Son of GISW Unbridled Elaine looks to improve off his sophomore debut in UAE...Marie Kizenko)</i> | Darley | Homebred | McLaughlin | <u>4th G3 UAE 2000 Gns</u> | 98 | 3/29 G2 UAE Derby |
| 7(8) | THE LEOPARD (Storm Cat) (<i>'07: 6-3-1-0, \$173,700</i>) <i>(Impressive graded stakes victory gives this \$2.5-million juvenile out of a sister to GISW Scan substance to match his pedigree...Christina Bossinakis)</i> | Magnier/Tabor/Smith | Eagle Holdings | Pletcher | <u>1st GIII Generous S.</u> | 98 | In California |
| 8(*) | COOL COAL MAN (Mineshaft) (<i>'08: 3-2-0-0, \$235,800; '07: 5-2-1-0, \$71,731</i>) <i>(From the family of champions Storm Bird, Pas de Reponse, Warrior Queen, Green Tune and Northernette, he made it two in a row in Fountain...Andy Belfiore)</i> | R. LaPenta | Farish/Hudson | Zito | <u>1st GII Fountain of Youth</u> | 100 | 3/29 GI Florida Derby |
| 9(9) | DENIS OF CORK (Harlan's Holiday) (<i>'08: 2-2-0-0, \$174,000; '07: 1-1-0-0, \$24,552</i>) <i>(The \$250K BESMAR juvenile, out of an Unbridled mare, looked good when going three-for-three in Southwest and should handle any distance...Andy Belfiore)</i> | W. Warren Jr. | Westbury StbIs | Carroll | <u>1st GIII Southwest S.</u> | 99 | 3/15 GIII Rebel S. |
| 10(10) | INTO MISCHIEF (Harlan's Holiday) (<i>'08: 1-0-1-0, \$30,000; '07: 3-2-1-0, \$448,800</i>) <i>(GI CashCall Futurity winner kicked off season with a runner-up effort in GII San Vicente S; can improve further if able to rate...Steve Sherack)</i> | B. Wayne Hughes | J T Hines Jr | Mandella | <u>2nd GII San Vicente S.</u> | 101 | 3/15 GII San Felipe S. |

AT THE GAP: Anak Nakal (*Victory Gallop*), Blackberry Road (*Gone West*), Bordeaux Bandit (*Vindication*), Cowboy Cal (*Giant's Causeway*), Colonel John (*Tiznow*), Cool Coal Man (*Mineshaft*), Dixie Chatter (*Dixie Union*), Elysium Fields (*El Prado {Ire}*), Giant Moon (*Giant's Causeway*), Kodiak Kowboy (*Posse*), Maimonides (*Vindication*), Massive Drama (*Kafwain*), Ready's Image (*More Than Ready*), Salute the Sarge (*Forest Wildcat*), Turf War (*Dixie Union*), Wicked Style (*Macho Uno*), Z Humor (*Distorted Humor*).

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Yesterday's Results:

4th-GPX, \$43,000, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24 3/5, ft.

LOOKY YONDER (f, 4, [Johannesburg](#)--**Victorian Angel** {MSW, \$159,199}, by **Vice Regent**) took a non-winners of two lifetime allowance at Keeneland Apr. 22, then was fourth in the GIII La Troienne S. May 5 and seventh in the GIII Dogwood S. June 2. Switched to this barn for her four-year-old season, the dark bay was a good third in a Jan. 9 allowance over course and distance. Content to lay just off the early pace, the \$22,000 KEENOV weanling and \$25,000 KEESEP yearling edged to the front in upper stretch and drew off to a 3 1/4-length victory. Baroness Thatcher (Johannesburg), making her first start since finishing fourth in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint, was under urging early on, was steadied a bit on the turn, and crossed the line fourth, beaten nearly seven lengths as the 1-2 favorite. Lifetime Record: 8-3-0-2, \$102,435.

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O-Lansdon B Robbins III. B-James & Janice Millar (KY). T-Richard E Dutrow Jr.

9th-GPX, \$41,500, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41, fm.

CONTENTIOUS (f, 4, [Giant's Causeway](#)--**Illicit**, by **Mr. Prospector**), third in the Listed Rosemary H. at Ascot Sept. 29, finished eighth in the Oct. 19 Severals S. at Newmarket, but closed out her European career with a runner-up effort in the G3 Kolner Herbst-Stuten-Meile Nov. 4. Repatriated for her four-year-old season, the bay was a distant third in a seven-furlong allowance over this main track Feb. 3. Getting back on the grass as the 7-2 third choice, the homebred advanced smartly from midpack on the turn, angled three wide for the drive and was not fully extended en route to a 2 1/4-length victory over **Communique** (Smart Strike). The winner is out of an unraced daughter of champion **Inside Information**. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ger, MSP-Eng, 10-2-2-2, \$59,893. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Phipps Stable. B-Ogden Mills Phipps (KY). T-Claude R McGaughey III.

7th-GPX, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40 2/5, ft.

DATTS R GIRL ADDY (f, 3, [Vindication](#)--**Fatal Distraction**, by **Hatchet Man**), a \$180,000 KEESEP yearling purchase, tired to be fifth over Aqueduct's one-turn mile Nov. 25 and had one start to her credit at this meeting, an improved third going this distance Jan. 7. The co-second choice here at 5-2, the bay chased the pace from the outside, edged to the front leaving the far turn and held off first-time starter **Jasmine Gardens** (Mineshaft) to score by 1 1/2 lengths. Favored **Splendorella** (Deputy Minister) was fourth, beaten 7 1/2 lengths. The winner is a 3/4-sister to **Urban Distraction** (Slew City Slew), SW, \$177,889; and **First Spear** (Dare and Go), MSW, \$365,114. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$30,570. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-DATTT Stable. B-R Alex Rankin & Gary L Drake (KY). T-Mark A Hennig.

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STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28:

03-08 \$300,000 **Santa Anita Oaks-I, SA,**
3yo, f, 8.5f (300)

03-08 \$150,000 **Richter Scale Sprint H.-II, GP,**
4yo/up, 7f (150)

03-09 \$200,000 **Rampart H.-II, GP,**
4yo/up, f/m, 9f (200)

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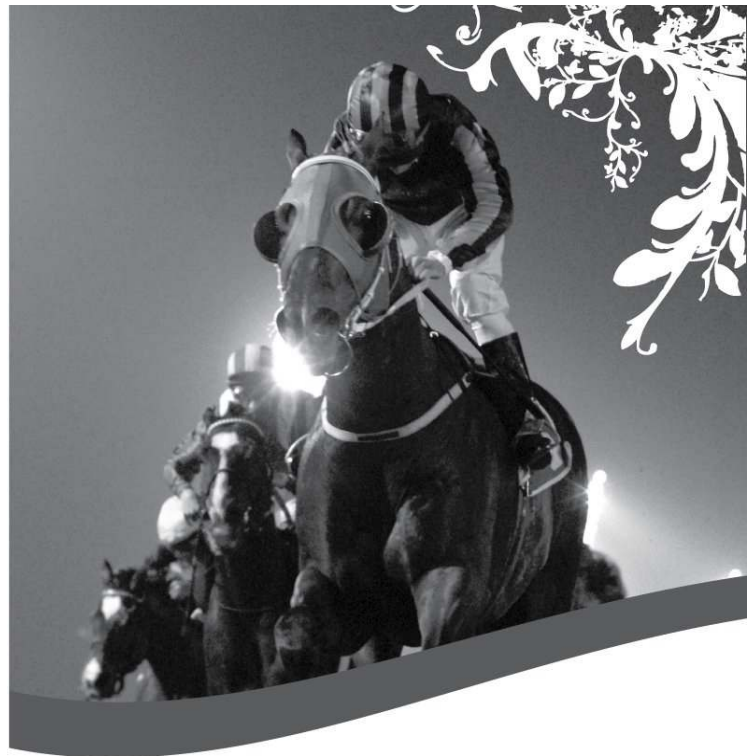


**Gulfstream Report cont.
Sightseeing Returns Friday:**

Sightseeing (Pulpit), winner of last year's GII Peter Pan S., returns to the races Friday in a 1 1/16-miles optional/allowance over Gulfstream's turf course. It will be the four-year-old Phipps runner's first turf appearance and first start since running fifth behind Any Given Saturday in the Sept. 22 GII Brooklyn H. In addition to his win in the Peter Pan, Sightseeing was second behind Nobiz Like Shobiz in the GI Wood Memorial and third behind Street Sense in the GII Jim Dandy S.

Sugar Swirl Eyes Shirley Jones:

Sugar Swirl (Touch Gold), coming off an impressive 8 3/4-length win in the Feb. 17 GIII Hurricane Bertie H., is expected to make her next start in the Mar. 22 GII Shirley Jones H. over seven furlong. The five-year-old was shipped to Florida to possibly begin her broodmare career at owner Frank Stronach's Adena Springs South in Ocala, but wins in the GIII First Lady H. and Hurricane Bertie have put those plans on hold. "This is the time of the year when mares are bred and Frank's farm is down here, so he wanted her to be in Florida," explained trainer Brian Lynch. "We ran her in the First Lady H. and planned to make a decision after that race on whether or not to keep her in training. Since she ran so well in that race, we ran her in the Hurricane Bertie. Now we'll run her in the Shirley Jones next and then probably in the [May 3 GII] Humana Distaff at Churchill Downs on Derby day." Also pointing towards the Shirley Jones is **Shaggy Mane** (Bertrando), coming off a fifth-place effort in the Jan. 26 Sunshine Millions F/M Sprint S.



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3:55p HRTV 6th-FGX, \$39K, Msw, 3yo, f, a 1 1/16mT
KIP SEVILLE (Kipling) makes her debut for her owner/breeder Center Hills Farm. Similar in her grey color to her full brother, GI Breeders' Cup Mile winner Kip Deville, the Oklahoma bred sports a lengthy series of works for her bow, including a bullet half-mile in :48 Feb. 15. Lonnie Meche takes the call for trainer Dallas Stewart.
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★ CENTRAL ★

Committee Approves Casino Bill:

A proposed constitutional amendment that would allow up to nine casinos in Kentucky was approved yesterday on a 7-2 vote by the Committee on Elections, Constitutional Amendments and Intergovernmental Affairs. The approved version of the bill would not guarantee a certain number of casino licenses to horse tracks, as Governor Steve Beshear's original proposal did. Under the committee-approved measure, up to five casinos could be located at Kentucky race tracks. The proposal now goes to the full House for consideration. If passed by both the House and Senate, the measure would be placed on the ballot for the approval of state voters.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Hendricks Puts Indian Sun on Triple Crown Trail:

Trainer Dan Hendricks reported that **Indian Sun** (Indian Charlie), winner of a Feb. 23 turf allowance at Santa Anita, is on the Triple Crown trail. "I haven't been able to get 100 percent out of him yet, but when I do, you'll see a different horse," Hendricks said. "I'm still working on that. He's a nice little horse, he's just not putting out 100 percent. We'll nominate him to everything and consider our options." Indian Sun was second behind El Gato Malo in the Jan. 12 GIII San Rafael S. and fourth in the Feb. 2 GII Robert B Lewis S.

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4th-GPX (Alw \$43K) Looky Yonder (Johannesburg) wins, as **Baroness Thatcher** (Johannesburg) falters.

9th-GPX (Alw \$41K) Contentious (Giant's Causeway) makes a victorious return to the turf.

7th-GPX (Msw \$42K) Dattts R Girl Addy (Vindication) improves yet again.

6th-SAX (Msw \$50k) Judgement day for Fire n' Brimstone (Pulpit)

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Yesterday's Results:

6th-SAX, \$52,100, Msw, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36 4/5, fm. FIRE N' BRIMSTONE (f, 3, Pulpit--Joi's Flame {MSP, \$218,040}, by Strawberry Road {Aus}) returned from a three-month freshening to be an even seventh sprinting down the hill Feb. 9. The 5-2 shot raced in midpack early, moved closer turning for home and was fanned widest of all into the lane. She charged to the front at midstretch and outbattled Courtly Couture (Doneraile Court) to the wire to win by a neck. Starzig (Danzig), the 2-1 favorite, chased the pace before holding on for third. The winner was a \$90,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$145,000 OBSFEB juvenile. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-1, \$55,200. O-A and R Stables LLC and Class Racing Stable. B-Hinkle Farms (KY). T-David E Hofmans.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29:

03-08 \$100/50,000 **Razorback Breeders' Cup H.-III, OP, 4yo/up, 8.5f (0)**

03-09 \$100/75,000 **Azeri Breeders' Cup-III, OP, 4yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (0)**

05-26 \$400,000e **Shoemaker Breeders' Cup Mile-I, Hol, 3yo/up, 8fT (500)**

05-26 \$400,000e **Gamely Breeders' Cup-I, Hol, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT (500)**

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★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN ITALY:

Sogna, f, 3, Distant View. See "Breeders' Edition Europe."

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First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, February 28

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

- CASTLE GANDOLFO** (Gone West), Dead, \$7K, 40/3/0
3-AQU, Alw, 6f, Urban Flight
- CENTURY CITY (IRE)** (Danzig), Wintergreen, \$10K, 92/4/0
6-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Crawford County, \$20K FTK OCT yrl, 15-1
- DREAM TRIPPER** (Dehere), 9/0/0
10-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Dream Nightly, 20-1
- HARLAN'S HOLIDAY** (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 169/26/5
6-OP, Msw, 5 1/2f, Wild Adventure, \$87K OBS APR 2yo
- KAFWAIN** (Cherokee Run), Darley, \$10K, 179/16/4
6-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Baloobas, \$30K FTK OCT yrl, 15-1
- 6-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Reappearance, 7-2
- MACHO UNO** (Holy Bull), Adena South, \$15K, 136/18/2
9-FG, Alw, 6f, Macho Again, \$150K OBS FEB 2yo, 3-1
- NEW TRIESTE** (A.P. Indy), Turf Express, 37/3/0
3-FG, Alw, 1m, Gusto Nuevo, \$20K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1
- SLIGO BAY (IRE)** (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 128/11/1
6-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, South Beach Luv, 9-2
- VINDICATION** (Seattle Slew), Hill 'n' Dale, \$50K, 229/24/1
8-DED, Aoc, 7f, Miss Van Gogh, 5-2
- 6-FG, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Sustain, \$125K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
- 9-OP, Aoc, 1 1/16m, Star Defender, \$400K KEE NOV wnl
- WHYWHYWHY** (Mr. Greeley), Gainesway, \$8K, 100/19/2
3-FG, Alw, 1m, Tensas Why Gin, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 5-2

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the
7th Race, \$41,000 Allowance, at Gulfstream Park.
For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

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NTRA REPORT FROM CAPITOL HILL



WALDROP TESTIFIES WITH OTHER LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVES

NTRA President and Chief Executive Officer Alexander Waldrop was among a series of league representatives who spoke Wednesday at a hearing entitled "Drugs in Sports: Compromising the Health of Athletes and Undermining the Integrity of Competition" before the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.

Joining Waldrop were: Bud Selig, commissioner, Major League Baseball; David Stern, commissioner, National Basketball Association; Donald Fehr, executive director, Major League Baseball Players Association; G. William Hunter, executive director, National Basketball Players Association; Roger Goodell, commissioner, National Football League; Gary Bettman, commissioner, National Hockey League; Gene Upshaw, executive director, National Football League Players Association; Paul Kelly, executive director, National Hockey League Players Association (Toronto); Jim Scherr, chief executive officer, United States Olympic Committee; Travis Tygart, chief executive officer, United States Anti-Doping Agency; Myles Brand, president, National Collegiate Athletics Association; and Robert Kanaby, executive director, National Federation of State High School Associations.



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★ FRANCE ★

HIGH-CLASS ENTRY FOR BOTH FRENCH GUINEAS

This season's Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1000 Guineas) and Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French 2000 Guineas) have attracted entries of 143 and 152, respectively. Heading the fillies' Classic is His Highness The Aga Khan's impressive G1 Prix Marcel Bousac heroine **Zarkava (Ire)** (Zamindar) and **Saoirse Abu** (Mr. Greeley) winner of the G1 Phoenix S. and G1 Moyglare Stud S. Completing a quartet of top-level winners is G1 Fillies' Mile victress **Listen (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) and G1 Cheveley Park S. winner **Natagora (Fr)** (Divine Light {Jpn}). The colts' equivalent boasts an even more impressive line-up with the winners of seven of Europe's nine remaining two-year-old Group 1 races entered. They are headed by G1 National S. and G1 Dewhurst S. victor **New Approach (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}), supported by **Scintillo (GB)** (Fantastic Light), **Thewayyouare** (Kingmambo), **Rio de la Plata** (Rahy), **Ibn Khaldun** (Dubai Destination) and **Myboycharlie (Ire)** (Danetime {Ire}). The next forfeit stage for both contests is Tuesday May 6. There is also a €24,000 supplementary stage.



French Report cont.

Yesterday's Result:

Toulouse, 2.35, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:17.37, sf.

RIPPLE (FR) (c, 3, **Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}**--Slipstream Queen {MSP}, by **Conquistador Cielo**), a half-brother to the very good Slickly (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}), Hwt. Older Horse-Eng & lty (2x) at 7-9.5f, MG1SW-Fr, G1SW-lty, \$530,905, was a debut runner up at Bordeaux-le-Bouscat Nov. 24. Here, he stalked the leaders for most of this second try. Asked for an effort at the top of the straight, the 1-2 pick took a slight lead at the eighth pole and was pushed clear before gearing down to an easy one-length score from Bilbo Quest (GB) (Dr Fong). Ripple is also a half to No Slip (Fr) (Exit to Nowhere), MGSW-US, \$249,725; and a 3/4 brother to Sichilla (Ire) (Danehill), SW-Fr. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €9,600.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN HONG KONG:

Confucius Classic (Ire), g, 4, **Danehill Dancer (Ire)**--Sublime Beauty (SP-Ire), by Caerleon. Happy Valley, 2-27, Hcp., 1200mT. B-Epona Bloodstock Ltd. *€38,000 yrl '05 TATIRE.

Romantic Green (Ire), g, 5, **Dr Fong**--By Candlelight (Ire), by Roi Danzig. Happy Valley, 2-27, Hcp., 1800mT. B-Limestone Stud. *Formerly Romantic Evening (Ire). **SP-Eng. ***30,000gns yrl '04 DONSEP.

Happy Crusader (Ire), g, 7, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Les Hurlants (Ire), by Baratheia (Ire). Happy Valley, 2-27, Hcp., 1650mT. B-J Hanly. *GSP-Fr. **Ir£35,000 wnlg '01 GOFNOV; 55,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT.

Sounds Best (Ire), g, 7, **Intikhab**--Lidanna (GB) (MGSW-Ire), by Nicholas. Happy Valley, 2-27, Hcp., 1650mT. B-Ballylinch Stud. *Formerly Prince Monalulu (Ire). **SP-Mac. ***€60,000 yrl '02 GOFORB.

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MIDDLE EAST



★ DUBAI ★

Thursday, Nad al Sheba, Dubai, post time: 9:15 p.m.

JAGUAR TROPHY, \$175,000, Hcp, 3yo/up, 2000m

| PP HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 1 Curlin | Smart Strike | Asmussen |
| 2 Arqaam (GB) | Machiavellian | Watson |
| 3 Engrupido (Arg) | Potrillon (Arg) | de Kock |
| 4 Familiar Territory (GB) | Cape Cross (Ire) | bin Suroor |
| 5 Imperialista (Brz) | Voando Baixo (Brz) | bin Suroor |
| 6 Jet Express (SAf) | Jet Master (SAf) | Al Raihe |

All carry 117 pounds, except Curlin at 132.

Today marks the return of 2007 GI Breeders' Cup Classic hero and subsequent Horse of the Year Curlin to the races. While a few questions surround the brilliant chestnut--how did he handle the long trip to Dubai? How will he handle the about-1 1/4-mile distance off the long break?--Curlin figures to have plenty of leeway against these even if he's not at his best. Trainer Steve Asmussen is using the race as a prep for the Mar. 29 G1 Dubai World Cup, something noted by his assistant, Scott Blasi. "Obviously the big race is four weeks away, and that is the real target," said Blasi. "But [this race] looks an ideal opportunity and he is ready to do himself justice."

Thursday, Nad al Sheba, Dubai, post time: 9:15 p.m.

UAE OAKS-Listed, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 1800m

| PP HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER | WT |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----|
| 1 Dalkey Girl (Ire) | Raise a Grand (Ire) | V Smith | 121 |
| 2 Classy-Lady (Brz) | Fahim (GB) | Brown | 130 |
| 3 Patio (GB) | Beat Hollow (GB) | Watson | 121 |
| 4 Fiesta Lady (Arg) | Southern Halo | bin Suroor | 130 |
| 5 Swallow Star (GB) | Observatory | Bouresly | 121 |
| 6 Love of Dubai | More Than Ready | Brittain | 121 |
| 7 Star of Rosanna (GB) | Bertolini | Watson | 121 |
| 8 Olympic Glory (Brz) | Choctaw Ridge | Al Raihe | 130 |
| 9 Cocoa Beach (Chi) | Doneraile Court | bin Suroor | 130 |
| 10 Miss Clonyn (Ire) | Statue of Liberty | Watson | 121 |
| 11 Love Dancing (Arg) | Salt Lake | bin Suroor | 130 |

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AUSTRALASIA



“LIVING LEGENDS” SHOW PRIOR TO PREMIER SALE

Inglis' Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale figures to get underway in fashionable style Sunday with a trio of “Living Legends” gracing the Inglis' Oaklands Junction sale ring prior to the commencement of the sale at noon. The retired geldings **Fields of Omagh (Aus)**, **Might and Power (NZ)** and **Silent Witness (Aus)**, all household names in Australia and all Inglis graduates, are set to make an appearance. “It will be wonderful to welcome such a distinguished trio of champions to the sale, certainly in the case of Fields of Omagh--the highest stakes earner ever to be sold in Victoria--it will be a homecoming for him as we sold him here in 1999,” said William Inglis & Son Director Peter Heagney. “While for Silent Witness, it will be the first time the former world champion sprinter will be out in public since his return to Australia.” The Premier is scheduled for four days of action on Mar. 2,3, 4 & 6.



SOUTH AMERICA



WINNER BY U.S. SIRE:

Persian Cat (Arg), c, 3, **Honour and Glory**--Personal Right (Arg) (G1SW-Arg), by Lode. San Isidro, Argentina, 2-27, Allowance, 1600m, 1:37.22. O/B-Santa Maria de Araras; T-J C Maldotti.



ASIA



★ JAPAN ★

Wednesday, Kawasaki, Japan

EMPRESS HAI-G2-NAR (Listed), ¥68,000,000, Kawasaki, 2-27, 4yo/up, f/m, 2100m, 2:14.7, hy.
 1--**#SAYONARA (JPN)**, 121, m, 7, **Brian's Time--So Smug, by Nureyev**. O-Yuichi Odagiri; B-Shimokobe Farm; T-Kiyoshi Tani; J-Yasunari Iwata; ¥40,000,000. Lifetime Record: 41-7-4-7, ¥151,052,000.
 2--**Nishino Nurse Call (Jpn)**, 121, m, 6, **Brian's Time--Noble de Nord (Jpn)**, by Northern Taste.
 3--**Queen of Queen (Jpn)**, 121, m, 6, **King Halo (Jpn)--Heine Sport (Jpn)**, by Northern Taste.
 Margins: 1HF, 3, HF. Odds: 2.80, 8.70, 76.60.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-SAX, \$55,860, NW1X, (S), 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:39, ft.
BERT'S LAW (g, 3, Bertrando--Digby, by Pirate's Bounty) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-3-2-1, \$83,400. O-Curt and Lila Lanning. B-Mr & Mrs Martin J Wygod (CA). T-Ed Moger, Jr. *\$18,000 yrl '06 BESOCT.

9th-AQU, \$49,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39 2/5, ft.
CITY IN THE CLOUDS (f, 4, Good and Tough--Champagneforlisa, by Champagneforashley) Lifetime Record: MSP, 23-3-6-4, \$186,286. O-Richard Bennett. B-Brendan Mullery (NY). T-Gary C Contessa. *\$30,000 2yo '06 FTMMAY.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a + will indicate first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BELMONT PARK (training track)

Giant Moon (Giant's Causeway), 6f, 1:13.82, 1/2

FAIR GROUNDS

Graeme Six (Graeme Hall), 4f, :49.20, 11/33
 Proud Spell (Proud Citizen), 4f, :48.20, 2/33

FAIR HILL

Xchanger (Exchange Rate), 4f, :49.00, 2/3

GULFSTREAM

Dreaming of Anna (Rahy), 5f, •1:01.80, 1/5

HOLLYWOOD

Declan's Moon (Malibu Moon), 1m, 1:41.00, 1/1
 El Gato Malo (El Corredor), 3f, :37.00, 7/9

OAKLAWN PARK

Brownie Points (Forest Wildcat), 4f, :48.20, 2/41
 He's Eze (Silver Deputy), 4f, :51.20, 27/41
 Minewander (Mineshaft), 4f, :48.80, 7/41
 Pure Clan (Pure Prize), 5f, 1:00.40, 2/25
 Silver Edition (Silver Deputy), 5f, 1:03.00, 14/25

PALM MEADOWS

Arravale (Arch), 4f, :51.40, 8/12

SANTA ANITA

Artiste Royal (Ire) (Danehill), 4f (T), :48.60, 1/2
 Indian Blessing (Indian Charlie), 7f, •1:25.60, 1/3
 Midnight Lute (Real Quiet), 4f, •:47.60, 1/32
 Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet), 4f, :48.60, 11/32
 Tough Tiz's Sis (Tiznow), 5f, 1:01.60, 12/31
 Tasha's Miracle (Harlan's Holiday), 4f, :48.40, 7/32

★ Watch Out for "TDN Rising Stars" ★
 Stars of tomorrow grabbing the spotlight today...



8th-AQU, \$47,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:43 4/5, ft.

SO SMASHLEY (f, 4, Officer--So Much Splendor, by Coronado's Quest) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-1, \$69,710. O-Three Diamonds Farm, R Veratti & J Besecker. B-JMJ Racing Stables (NY). T-Carlos F Martin. *\$18,000 yrl '05 KEEJAN; \$39,000 2yo '06 FTMMAY.

11th-SUN, \$27,200, 2-26, NW2L, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.

BAREFOOT BABY (f, 4, Petionville--Bayou Boots, by Storm Boot) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-3, \$51,224. O/B-Everest Stables Inc (KY). T-Henry Dominguez.

5th-PEN, \$22,048, 2-26, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 2/5, sy.

MISS BELLE ROAD (f, 4, Cahill Road--Sherries Disco {SW}, by Certain Times) Lifetime Record: 17-5-2-2, \$60,539. O-Charles W Everett. B-L G Farms (WA). T-Brandon L Kulp. *\$20,000 yrl '05 WASSEP. **1/2 to Badger K. Eli (Game Plan), SW, \$100,431.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Victoria Bay, f, 3, Northern Afleet--On the Horizon (MSP), by Lord Avie. GPX, 2-27, (C), 1mT, 1:36 4/5. B-Four Horsemen's Ranch (FL). *\$87,000 yrl '06 OBSJAN.

Try for Point, f, 3, Point Given--Hishi Nile (SW-Jpn, \$778,021), by A.P. Indy. PEN, 2-27, 1m, 1:42. B-Masaichiro Abe (KY). *\$130,000 2yo '07 KEEAPR.

Iniquitous Kid, g, 4, Alnaab--Wicked Games, by Hurontario. SUN, 2-26, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:46 1/5. B-Bryan Grant (NM).

Cents of Humor, g, 4, Distorted Humor--Lightning Speed, by Two Punch. TPX, 2-27, 1m (AWT), 1:39 4/5. B-Robert E Courtney & Dr Warren Frank (KY).

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Toulouse, 2.05, 2-27, €24,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:06.90, sf.

SAN REAL (FR) (g, 6, Smadoun {Fr}--Al Kicks {Fr}, by Al Nasr {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 24 starts, 5 wins, 16 places, €102,080. O-Jean-Claude Solhonne; B-Olivier Tricot; T-Jean-Luc Pelletan. *€25,000 yrl '03 DEAOCT.

ITALY, Rome, 3.20, 2-26, €19,800, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:41.70, stn.

SOGNA (f, 3, Distant View--Goldendale {Ire}, by Ali-Royal {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €13,600. O-Letizia Bellini Parri; B-LEGI di Massimo Parri; Gianluca Bietolini.

ITALY, Rome, 2.50, 2-26, €19,800, 3yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:34.30, stn.

CIMA ON FLY (IRE) (c, 3, Kris Kin--Peralta {Ire}, by Green Desert) Lifetime Record: GSP-Ity, 8-4-3-0, €65,754. O-Scuderia Cocktail SRL; B-Scuderia di Annunziata Falchetti; T-Bruno Grizzetti.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Upstanding (GB), f, 3, Acclamation (GB)--Uplifting (GB), by Magic Ring (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 2-27, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 20yds (AWT). B-The Hon Mrs R Pease. *1,500gns yrl '06 DONOCT.

Vezzoso (GB), c, 3, Ocean of Wisdom--Wind Bay (Ire), by In the Wings (GB). Rome, Italy, 2-26, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/16m (AWT). B-Urbano Aletti.

+ Nel Blu (Ity), f, 3, Reckless William (Ire)--Blue Kris (GB), by Kris (GB). Rome, Italy, 2-26, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 5/16m (AWT). B-Albertino Baseggio.



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FLYING GLITTER, 6, Glitterman--American Flier, by Quiet American
Foal born Feb. 1, a filly by Empire Maker.
Will be bred back to Forestry.
Owned by Aaron and Marie Jones.
Boarded at Taylor Made.
Accomplishments: MGSW of \$597,443.

LADY LAIKA, 15, Gone West--Princess Laika, by Blushing Groom (Fr)
Foal born Feb. 1, a colt by Bernardini.
Will be bred back to Bernardini
Owned by and boarded at Siena Farm.
Accomplishments: Dam of Langoureuse (Gilded Time), MSP-US & Fr, \$159,903; Arch Lady (Arch), MSW, \$167,029; Healthy Addiction (Boston Harbor), GISW, \$1,032,837.

DELTA PRINCESS, 9, A.P. Indy--Lyphard's Delta, by Lyphard
Foal born Feb. 2, a filly by Empire Maker.
Will be bred back to Empire Maker.
Owned by Palides Investments NV, Inc.
Boarded at Chanteclair Farm.
Accomplishments: MGSW of \$740,918.