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BARRETTS HAS A TOUGH ACT TO FOLLOW

The Barrretts March Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training will be held at the Hinds Pavilion in Pomona, California, this afternoon. Bidding begins at 2:00 p.m. local time, but it will be hard to match the numbers put up by Barretts March in 2007. While the buyback rate rose from 25 to 31 percent last year, the average soared from \$154,419 to \$219,773, a gain of 42 percent, and the median rose a whopping 84 percent, from \$80,000 to \$147,500. "The market sure looks like it did last year, for the most part," said Gerald McMahon, president and general manager of Barretts. "I think the overal numbers look really selective. They are really strong in places, but it is difficult to get large percentages of horses sold, just from the competition among consignors. That's what it looks like going into our sale." An uncertain economic picture also has some consignors concerned. "We need the stock market to stop being so temperamental," said B.C.3. Thoroughbreds' John Brocklebank. "Those are the things that we can't control, but they are a little hard on a horseman's nerves." But McMahon is optimistic that Wall Street's woes will have a minimal effect on the two-year-old market. "I always tend to think that the upper end of horse market is probably not influenced a great deal by that," he remarked. "But, you know, as you work your way down the scale in terms of pricing, there might be an impact; you would think that the depletion of discretionary wealth would affect the middle market." The Barretts March catalogue is just nine hips smaller than last year. McMahon is less concerned about the slightly smaller offering than he is about the larger number of outs. "All of us now are suffering from higher numbers of withdrawals than we're comfortable with," he remarked. "But what I like to point out is that, in some respects, it's self-screening. It just makes the job easier for the buyers. The horses that come out, generally, are going through difficulties of one kind or another, and the consignors just decide to wait for the next sale. In terms of gross numbers, we'd sure like to have higher numbers, but that seems to be just another trend in the industry--and hopefully we'll get them back to sell in our May sale." The Barretts May sale is set for May 13. For the complete March catalogue, go to www.barretts.com. Hip Happenings cont. p4

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DENIS OF CORK TO SKIP REBEL

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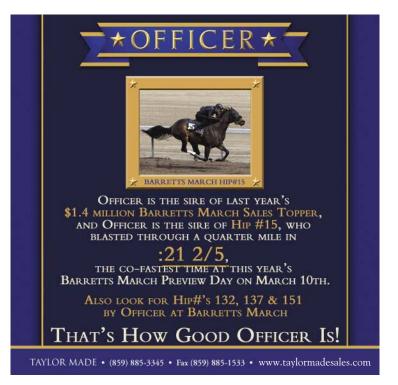
Trainer David Carroll revealed yesterday that **Denis of Cork** (Harlan's Holiday) will skip Saturday's GII Rebel S. at Oaklawn Park and will point instead toward the GI Wood Memorial or the GII Illinois Derby. Both races will

be run Apr. 5. Denis of Cork is unbeaten in three lifetime starts and is coming off a 2 1/4length win in the Feb. 18 GIII Southwest S. "The horse is doing fine," Carroll said during a national teleconference Tuesday. "But the whole team got together and we all feel that the horse just needs one more start to the [Kentucky] Derby. We think he's sitting on a good race and then the race after that, he's just going to explode. We



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don't want to run in the Rebel and then come back in the [GII] Arkansas [Derby] and run our best number in the Arkansas and then regress. We just feel he's one race away from running his career best race and we want that race to be the Kentucky Derby." Carroll also trains **Blackberry Road** (Gone West), who was fourth in Saturday's GII Louisiana Derby. Carroll reported that colt will start next in the Illinois Derby.







BOB BLACK JACK TAKES TWO

Bob Black Jack (Stormy Jack) took advantage of an insanely fast Santa Anita track to set a six-furlong world record of 1:06.2 while winning the Jan. 26 Sunshine Millions Dash. The colt, who also won the Califor-



nia Breeders' Champion S. last December, will try to stretch his speed to 1 1/16 miles in Saturday's GII San Felipe S., but trainer James Kasparoff isn't worried about the stretch-out. "I would think that this horse

Benoit can relax," Kasparoff said yesterday. "He's got a good head on

him. He's very relaxed in the mornings. He's not been getting rank at all, which is very important."

The trainer admits Bob Black Jack could very well be on the lead in the San Felipe.

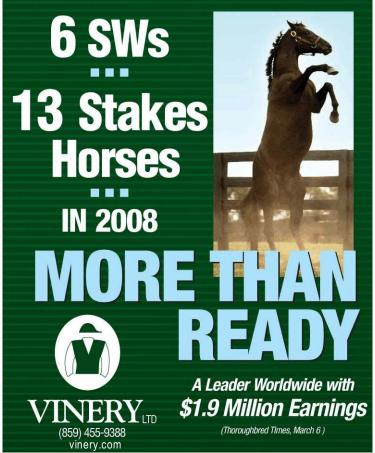
"He's one of these horses that gets out of the gate good," Kasparoff explained. "It kind of puts you in a position, he breaks so good, you just have to go with him. So I wouldn't be shocked if we were on the lead. I would like to see him sit second, get a nice trip right off the pace, but I wouldn't imagine the horse was going to be five or six out of it."

The Cushion Track has been revamped since the Sunshine Millions, so Bob Black Jack will also be racing on a vastly different Santa Anita track Saturday.

"He's worked very, very well on this track," Kasparoff reported. "We've been training on it basically since they put it in the Pro-Ride surface. He's had some real good works on it for a horse that's not a real good work horse. I don't think it's going to be any problem."

Kasparoff isn't content to rest on Bob Black Jack's world record.

"Those things come and go," he said. "People, I guess, will say that they did some things to the track and maybe that's why he ran so good. For me, that day, it was just important that he ran well. I saw something new from him where he was able to be inside and take a lot of pressure and then in the stretch be able to pull away, which is good for us. The record--those things come and go. I would imagine somewhere along the line, someone will run quicker than that.



It's nice, but in the bigger scheme of things is how good he came back and his development. That's what was really important in that race."

Bob Black Jack, who now has earnings of \$268,925, was a bargain \$4,500 BESJAN yearling purchase. Kasparoff, his brother Tim, and Jeff Harmon subsequently bought the colt privately for \$25,000. It didn't take Kasparoff--who has been training on his own since 2000--very long to find promise in his young charge.

"When I first got him into training, I really never thought the horse was a sprinter," he said. "The horse reminded me more of a route type. I'd say after a couple of breezes, we breezed him in company once, just the way he trained, I had an idea that he was a good horse. He looked like he had some talent, but it looked like he had some maturing to do. It's been a steady progression since."

- Jessica Martini

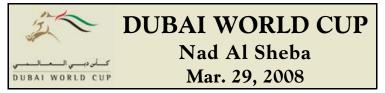


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BETTER TALK NOW READIES FOR DUBAI The nine-year-old Better Talk Now (Talkin Man) worked five furlongs Monday over the Palm Meadows Training Center's turf course in advance of the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic on Dubai World Cup Day Mar. 29. The gelding completed the work in 1:04 3/5 around the dogs, which suited trainer Graham Motion just fine. Motion explained that Better Talk Now has learned over the years to focus his energy on his races. "Certainly he's mellowed as he's gotten older, but he's still got the competitive instinct," Motion said. "All things considered, I was guite happy with the way he went. He's not a real flashy work horse, and at his age, he kind of does only what's needed." Better Talk Now, who won the 2004 GI Breeders' Cup Turf, is slated to work again in a week prior to boarding a flight to Dubai. He finished fifth to Daytona (Ire) in his only start this term, the Feb. 9 GII Fair Grounds H.

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Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

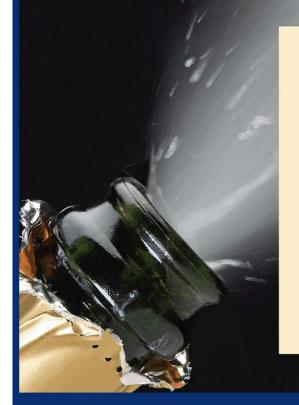
GRANDE PREMIO DIANA-G1, R\$101,097, Gavea, 3-9, 3yo, f, 2000mT, 1:59.65, sf.

1--▲@#RIGHT IDEA (BRZ), 123, f, 3, by Nedawi (GB) 1st Dam: Fixed Idea (Brz), by Bright Again 2nd Dam: Fancing (Arg), by Bold Forli 3rd Dam: Faraly (Arg), by Liloy (Fr) 0/B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-Roberto

Morgado Neto; J-Bruno Reis; R\$43,793. Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-3, R\$54,929. *Full to Fort Wilderness (Brz), MGSW-Brz.

- 2--New Play (Brz), 123, f, 3, Matisse (GB)--Nebel (Brz), by Grimaldi (Brz). O-Stud Miguel Lemos; B-Haras Morumbi; R\$13,137.
- 3--**Rubia del Rio (Brz)**, 123, f, 3, Put It Back--Rupiana (Brz), by Falcon Jet. O/B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; R\$10,137.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, 1/4. Odds: 30.20, 5.60, 2.20. Right Idea collared runaway pacesetter Scilicet in the final strides to post a breakthrough victory in the second leg of Rio de Janeiro`s Filly Triple Crown. New Play closed ground late to earn second over first leg heroine Rubia del Rio, who suffered a career-ending injury nearing the wire. The top two finishers are expected to renew their rivalry in the 2400-meter G1 GP Zelia Gonzaga Peixoto de Castro on Apr. 6. Right Idea was making her first start since October when finishing seventh in an allowance event.



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Hip <u>20</u>, c, Lightnin N Thunder--Indyfendant by A.P. Indy

Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent The dark bay colt was bought by Gulf Coast for \$160,000 as an OBSAUG yearling. While his first two dams are not much to write home about, his third dam is MGISW and millionaire Dispute. It is also the Phipps family of GISWs Adjudicating and Time for a Change. The Valentine's Day foal worked an eighth in :10 1/5 at th first under-tack show (video). "He has a great physical and he is a real athlete on the racetrack," Gulf Coast partner Jerry Bailey said.

Hip <u>37</u>, f, <u>Macho Uno</u>--Lovin Spoonful, by Dixieland Band

Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock (Becky Thomas), agent

A half to stakes winner It's True Love (Yes It's True), the bay filly is a May 16 foal, but zipped a furlong in a co-fastest :10 flat during the first preview (<u>video</u>). "She's a tall, leggy, stretchy filly," Becky Thomas said. "She worked fast and galloped out in :21 and change. She does everything you could possibly ask of her-she's a really nice filly."

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 Hip <u>47</u>, c, <u>Cherokee Run</u>--Melo Note, by Relaunch Consigned by B.C.3. Thoroughbreds, agent
 A \$190,000 KEESEP purchase, the dark bay colt is from the family of champions Ad Valorem and Tight
 Spot, and Grade I winners Premium Tap and Valiant
 Nature. He worked an eighth in :10 1/5 at the first

preview (<u>video</u>) "He packs a lot of body, he trains like a champ and he had a great preview," said B.C.3.'s John Brocklebank. "He has stayed extremely sound, and I am very pleased with him."

Hip <u>78</u>, c, <u>Maria's Mon</u>--Runnymede Bride, by Dehere

Consigned by Scanlon Training Center, agent The grey colt, bought for \$240,000 by Buzz Chace as a KEESEP yearling, is one of the top-priced pinhooks to go through the ring at Barretts this year. He worked an eighth in :10 1/5 at the first show (<u>video</u>). "He's a great mover, he's done everything right and he's by the right sire--I'm a big Maria's Mon fan," said consignor David Scanlon.

Hip <u>80</u>, c, <u>Distorted Humor</u>--Sakura Song, by Unbridled's Song

Consigned by Kirkwood Stables, agent The first foal of an unraced mare, herself a \$200,000 KEESEP yearling, this chestnut also boasts GI Travers winner Willow Hour and GSW Traverse City on his page. Connections opted to buy him back for \$190,000 at the KEESEP sale. He breezed an eighth in :10 2/5 at the first preview and came back with a quarter in :21 4/5 at the second (video).

 Hip <u>96</u>, f, <u>Chapel Royal</u>--Staretta, by Cox's Ridge Consigned by B.C.3. Thoroughbreds, agent John Brocklebank of B.C.3. Thoroughbreds went to \$325,000 to get this filly as a KEESEP yearling. She is from the first crop by GSW and MGISP Chapel Royal, and her second dam is GSW Zero Minus. The bay

breezed an eighth in :10 1/5 at the initial tack show

Hip Happenings cont.

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(video).

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Hip <u>122</u>, c, Seattle Fitz (Arg)--Whiskey Babe, by Whiskey Wisdom

Consigned by Scanlon Training Center, agent Buzz Chace paid only \$22,000 for this one at the FTKOCT sale, but the May 10 foal looks to have been a bargain. "He has been beautiful from the beginning," said David Scanlon. "He's a nice scopey horse, a beautiful mover and he has a terrific mind." The dark bay went an eighth in a co-bullet :10 at the first preview (video).

Hip <u>126</u>, c, <u>Chapel Royal</u>--You'll B Impressed, by Valid Appeal Consigned by Wavertree Stables Inc (Ciaran Dunne),

agent

Another from the first crop by Chapel Royal, who has been well received so far, the dark bay is a half to SW I'm Impressed (Proud Birdie) and GSP Impressive Grades (Honor Grades). The Pennsylvania-bred was bought for \$125,000 as a FTMSEP yearling, and dashed off a furlong in a co-session-topping :10 at the first preview (<u>video</u>).

Hip 148, c, Sir Cherokee--Candytuft, by Dehere

Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I The dark bay colt is a half to champion sprinter Midnight Lute (Real Quiet) and stakes-placed Tusculum Road (Gilded Time), from the first crop by GII Arkansas Derby winner Sir Cherokee. Purchased for \$150,000 at Keeneland September 2007, he worked an eighth in :10 1/5 at the first preview (video). "We think he is a hell of a colt," said Niall Brennan. "He's not as big as his brother, but he has great balance. I thought his breeze was excellent--he is a tremendous, effortless mover-and he has a great mind. We are very high on him. His pedigree is proven and he has the talent."

Hip 169, f, Silver Deputy--Duchess Kiss, by Cox's Ridge

Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent "People tell me--people I respect--that she's the best filly on the grounds," boasted Jerry Bailey. The \$210,000 KEESEP yearling is a half to Italian stakes winner and G1SP As You Like (Trempolino); her second dam is GISW A Kiss For Luck. Her time at the first show was :10 1/5 (<u>video</u>). "She has a great physical, and I love the way she moves on the track," Bailey said. "She's an exciting filly."

Hip <u>178</u>, c, <u>Orientate</u>--Fast 'n Fleet, by Mr. Greeley Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent II

A \$170,000 KEESEP yearling for Budget Stable, the bay colt dashed off an eighth in a co-fastest :10 flat at the first preview (<u>video</u>). A February foal, he is out of a half to no less than four stakes winners, and both of his dam's foals to race are winners. "It appears that the right people are looking," said Eddie Woods. "He's a very, very good horse. He is gorgeous and he worked really well."

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Hip <u>190</u>, c, Forestry--Frolic Away, by Pentelicus

Consigned by SAB Training, agent His third dam is the prolific Cherokee Frolic, and he is out of a half to three stakes winners, including millionaire and GSW Smok'n Frolic. On the outside rail when he worked an eighth in :10 4/5 at the first preview, he followed with a furlong in :10 3/5 (video) at the second (video). "He's very sensible, he's got a great head on him," said SAB partner Jenny Martinez. "He's a very smart horse, very mellow around the barn. Normally they nip, the colts, and they're getting into trouble all the time, but not him. He's real classy."

2007 Leading Barretts Buyers

<u>Consignor</u>	Head	Gross	Average
John Ferguson Bloodstock	5	\$3,950,000	\$790,000
Zayat Stables LLC	3	\$1,840,000	\$613,333
Mr. John W. Sadler, agent	4	\$1,360,000	\$340,000
Stonestreet Stables LLC	2	\$950,000	\$475,000
Sierra Sunset LLC	4	\$895,000	\$223,750
Dennis R. O'Neill	4	\$860,000	\$215,000
Arnold Zetcher LLC	5	\$710,000	\$142,000
Mike Ryan, agent	2	\$600,000	\$300,000
West Point Thoroughbreds Inc	2	\$585,000	\$292,500
Christopher S. Paasch	2	\$530,000	\$265,000



What They're Saying At The Sales...

Consignor Niall Brennan on the freshman sires:

"The Speightstowns are very nice, and it looks like the Cuvees will be early. There are a lot of the Lion Hearts, and they are looking precocious, which is what you'd expect. But there are sires to watch for later--Medaglia d'Oro and Pleasantly Perfect. I have a Pleasantly Perfect that I really love (hip <u>181</u>); she's a superstar."

Consignor Eddie Woods:

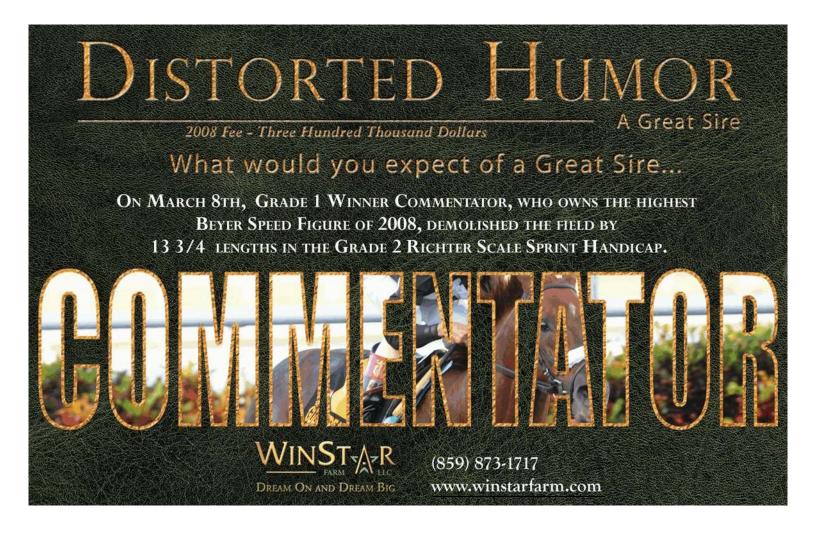
"The traffic has been very typical of Barretts. There isn't much happening on the weekend, but [Tuesday] has been pretty lively for the number of horses here. The vetwork done on my horses has been very good in comparison with the traffic, if that means anything. Tomorrow will tell the tale."

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Do you think the current method of preparing and offering two-year-olds for sale is the appropriate one for both the buying public and the horses themselves? How do breeze shows, the time of year and lack of uniform medication rules, among other things, affect them?

CORRECTION: Through an editing error, the Question of the Month Feature in yesterday's TDN contained quotes incorrectly attributed to Liberation Farm's Rob Whiteley. Whiteley's response is listed below. We regret the error.





Liberation Farm Owner Rob Whiteley:

My hat is off to the pinhookers and two-year-old sale consignors. They do a damn good job for the most part, while lodged between a rock and a hard place. Quite a few pinhookers possess some of the keenest eyes in the business, and they show tremendous horsemanship



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in getting a number of their hand-picked babies to the sales in one piece. Yet, the current obsession with speed makes their job extremely difficult and defies common sense.

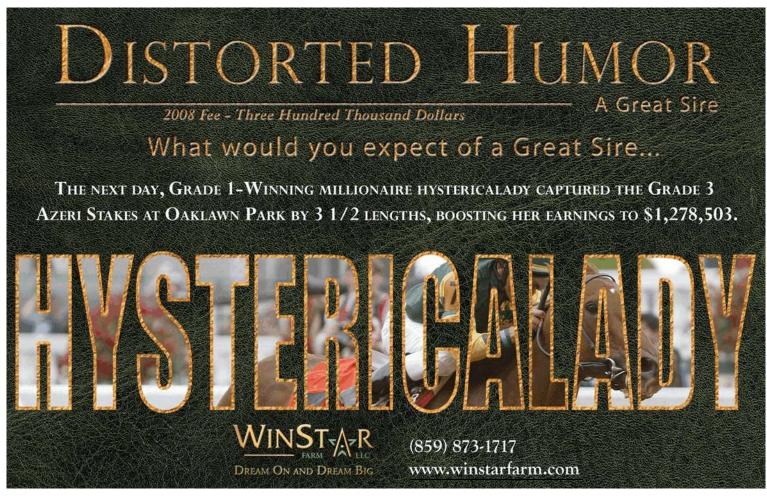
Asking a young, developing horse for a maximum burst of speed on a given day in February or March (and putting him or her through such a demanding preparation) doesn't prove much, and unnecessarily risks ruining the

horse. I believe we need to turn back the clock to the days when we let the babies show themselves under a strong gallop. (I think Frank Stronach has this one right when he conducts his entire private sale under something close to a two minute lick.)

I think also that we are selling trainers and other real horsemen short when we suggest that they can only tell a good horse by the time it takes them to go an eighth or a quarter. This game is all about having an eye to see athletic, fluid motion, and about inferring quality and competitiveness in an untried horse. It is not about cheap speed. Real pros used to have no trouble picking out the stars when they were galloped, so where did we blow the turn? Do we really think that Richard Mandella or Mike Ryan needs to watch a horse go in 10 flat to see that it's a promising race horse? What time did Afleet Alex or Monarchos or Stevie Wonderboy work in when they were two-year-old sales horses? Go look it up.

Making astute selections involves discerning how a horse moves and uses himself, not about how fast he can pick up his feet over a couple of football fields. Photographer Eadweard Muybridge was the pioneer in motion analysis, and he did quite well using horses at a gallop. Even the contemporary stride analysis folks at DataTrack, Equix, or EQB don't require intense speed, because you can't hide inefficiencies of movement. Furthermore, individual stride analysis can still be performed meaningfully with horses galloping strongly, because an individual sale horse's score or profile is relative to all of the other horses in that sales group.

In short, and for many reasons, speed is our enemy. Training for intense speed causes too much attrition. It's hard on pin-hookers who bravely make the investment, and it's obviously hard on the immature horses.



Whiteley cont.

At the end of the day, are we really happy selling only 35 percent of the two-year-olds catalogued for a sale? So, what will fix this dismal reality? It's time the consignors, buyers, and sales companies sat down together and figured it out.

Juvenile Consignor Nick de Meric:

I think that history proves annually how effective our method of marketing two-year-olds is: the results speak



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for themselves. Year in, year out, graduates of two-yearold sales outperform industry percentages, breed statistics and their own pedigrees. They consistently perform at the highest levels of competition. However, the steady progression towards rewarding extreme workouts in breeze shows has resulted in

a potentially unhealthy preoccupation with sprint speed. It is a truism to say that good horses tend to work faster than mediocre ones and by definition have naturally higher cruising speeds. Nevertheless, it is also true that a horse that can work :11 flat, a distinctly moderate time in today's breeze shows, six times in a row has just set a new world record for three-quarters of a mile. It does not follow that every horse capable of a superfast workout for an eighth of a mile will be stakes quality if he remains sound, just as not every horse whose top speed is significantly slower than the fastest works has no chance of being better than an average performer, though plenty are, in both categories. For me, it is all about how they do it.

This trend has resulted in preparation methods that tend to favor tremendous speed over short distances. This is not always in the best interests of the animal's long term athletic future. Preparation for the track tends to place less emphasis on this kind of speed, if the truth be told. In recognition of this, sale companies have sought to mitigate its effects, while still providing a suitable stage upon which two year olds can perform for buyers' evaluation. Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland changing their format to a single breeze show and OBS's significant investment in the synthetic Safetrack all help to reduce the risk of injury and promote a sounder product. As sellers, we should applaud these initiatives and do our part to present our customers with horses that are not overtrained when they are purchased and which continue to perform well at the track, as they have for decades.

Regarding uniformity of medication rules, embracing an intelligently conceived industry standard for the sale of two-year-olds would doubtless be a positive step, but until racing jurisdictions and state laws offer the same parity, it is difficult to envisage this becoming a reality.

From its very inception, the Thoroughbred breed has been developed on an annual cycle, including mating, foaling, yearling and sales and the racing of two-yearolds as early as March and April. Spring to early summer, therefore, is the only viable time to build any excitement for marketing them to buyers who hope to participate in juvenile races.

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THE VERDICT: THE NEW WORLD TOP 25

The Greek philosopher Thales of Miletus was always one of my favorites, but not so much because he is regarded by some as the founder of Greek philosophy when he postulated something very roughly translated as 'all is moisture.' No, I admired him just as much because he cornered the olive market in Thrace in order to prove that philosophers had to be practical, too, and not just walk around with their heads in the clouds.

I'm a huge advocate of pragmatism in our little world, too. In fact, the APEX ratings were originally devised to assist John Ed Anthony, then of Loblolly Stable, in trying to buy yearlings and arrange matings which could result in money-making racehorses. So, besides being theoretical stallion ratings, the intention has always been for APEX to have practical application, too.

In the past few weeks, we've turned these numbers inside out, upside down, and sideways in an attempt to dig into them a little deeper and to interpret them to try an unearth names of sires which stand out a little bit from the crowd. Those efforts have included one structural division--separating sires whose first foals were born 1996-2004 (the 'big-book era') from those which came earlier--as well as isolating two key measurements of class: 'A Runner Index' and 'Percentage of Unique A Runners from Foals of Racing age' (all this, and much more, now available in the APEX section of the *TDN* website).

The APEX ratings tell us a lot about a sire's consistency in producing class racehorses, but they don't necessarily rank sires in the exact order as the broad commercial marketplace. A little interpretation is necessary. So, as sort of a conclusion to this series--which has been dissecting the 2001-2007 APEX ratings--this week I've gone a little subjective. When all is said and done and written down, here is my idea of a new 'World Top 25,' featuring only sires whose first foals were born 1996-2004 (though I arbitrarily eliminated from consideration for this list any sire who is already age 18, which includes Monsun and Unusual Heat). These are the top sires of the near future, as I see it. It's like the AP Top 25 College Basketball rankings, except there's only one vote. And you'll notice right away that today's top sires aren't anywhere near as far ahead of their contemporaries as were the star sires of yesteryear. Already F1996-F2004 sires constitute two-thirds of the sires assigned 2001-2007 APEX ratings, and the proportion will of course continue to increase each year. These rankings certainly take the two APEX-generated numbers I mentioned into account, but they also include how the horse is rated by 'the market,' as I perceive it.



"PLEASANT TAP, the sire of 45 Stakes Winners, has gone up from \$15,000 to \$25,000, but **the numbers justify it**. He was dirt cheap at \$15,000, let's face it."

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As this is to a large extent subjective, disagreements are guaranteed. Don't be shy if you feel there is a case to be made that certain sires have been overrated, underrated or left out--let us know. One thing we don't claim around here is infallibility.

Distorted Humor just edges **Smart Strike** for the top spot among 481 sires (less sires themselves foaled 1990 or earlier) with first foals 1996-2004 and the minimum number of 2001-2007 year-starters specified (200+, except 100+ for first foals 2003, and 60+ for first foals 2004). The two are virtually tied: Smart Strike (3.87) edges Distorted Humor (3.70) on A Runner Index, while they are within decimal points in terms of 'unique A Runners from foals'--9.38 percent for Distorted Humor, 9.35 percent for Smart Strike. I awarded Distorted Humor top spot on the basis that he's consistently generated more fireworks, but there's only a dirty nose in it. Smart Strike has always been a top sire, though he's only now getting the recognition for it.

I've been saying for a long time that the 'sire classes' of (first foals) 1998, 2000, and 2002 are all very good, and sure enough eight of my top nine sires come from these three classes. In fact, five of the top six come from the 1998 and 2000 groups. Third-ranked **Pivotal** and sixth-ranked **Unbridled's Song**, like Smart Strike, had their first foals in 1998.



Oppenheim cont.

As I've noted on several occasions, they were the top three in their group from the word go. Pivotal stood cheaply to start with, but now ranks as Britain's top sire, while Unbridled's Song, as usual, has been firing winners from all directions already this year. According to the under-used Sire Progeny Counts from the *TDN* website, he has already sired 16 individual horses who rated a mention in *TDN* in the first nine weeks of the year. Joining Distorted Humor from the F2000 sire class is **Awesome Again**, whose 21 individual 'hits' on the Progeny Counts on the website ties him for the 2008 lead to date, with **A.P. Indy**. Awesome Again always seems to have a

Grade I winner carrying the flag.

I rate F2003 Galileo at number five, the top actual young sire (he's 10 this year) on this list. Sire of successive G1 Dewhurst S. winners and champion European two-year-olds, Teofilo and New Approach, and out of G1 Prix de l'Arc winner Urban Sea, Galileo is displaying all the class his race record and pedigree entitled him to. My seventh-, eighth- and ninth-rated horses are the three top F2002 sires: Dansili (sire of Arc winner Rail Link in his second crop), Giant's Causeway, currently number one on the North American General Sire List (that didn't take long, did it?), and Montjeu, sire of two winners of the G1 Epsom Derby, Motivator and Authorized, in his first three crops. The top 10 is rounded off by leading F2004 sire Street Cry, sire of 2007 GI Kentucky Derby winner Street Sense, the first horse to crack the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile/Kentucky Derby jinx.

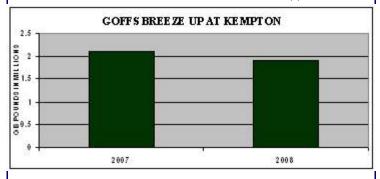
With F1997 Monsun and F1999 Unusual Heat disqualified from this list on age grounds, this subjective list's second 10 is kicked off by the then-leading sires from the 1997, 1999 and 2001 sire classes: 11th-ranked Mr. Greeley (still with a massive 7.45 European A Runner Index) was F1997, 12th-ranked Pulpit, current number two on the General Sire List, now, finally, leads the under-18 F1999 sire class, and Forestry, the leading F2001 sire, claims the 13th spot. Seventeeth-ranked Not For Love, probably the leading North American sire standing outside Kentucky, is the only other F1997 sire to make the top 25 (there are none from the F1996 class among this top 25). Three more F1999 sires make the list: Danehill Dancer, another who started out for next to nothing, ranks 14th. Pulpit's nemesis, Langfuhr, ranks 17th and the underrated, but also uncommercial, Singspiel, is ranked 20th.

Three more from that strong F2002 class make my top 25. **Chester House** (ranked 15th) was a real surprise package in that most people probably assumed his storied temperament would come through. Unfortunately, the horse died quite young, so nobody, including Juddmonte, could take much advantage of the fact that he's turned out to be a really good sire. **Successful Appeal**, ranked 18th, has impressive numbers from his Florida crops. If his Kentucky crops are just that good, he could be a top 10 sire in no time.

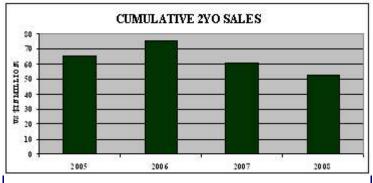


"After the year's first three two-year-old sales – Goffs at Kempton last week kicking off the European season, following OBS February and Fasig Calder – the combined gross of \$53-million is down 12 percent from last year, though with fewer sold, the average is down just two percent. The relatively good news is that the clearance rate (of those catalogued) is off just a tick from 2007 – 47 percent this year, versus 48 percent in 2007. So you have a fifty-fifty chance of selling your horse."

- Bill Oppenheim



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Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



Lemon Drop Kid has recovered from a slow start and, though the market maybe hasn't forgiven him for not being a top 10 sire, he deserves to make this top 25.

Completing this top 25 are: **Cape Cross**, who I rate second to Forestry among F2001 sires in 19th; **Medicean**, who I rank second to Galileo among F2003 sires, ranked number 21 and a cluster of three F2004 sires which I rank second through fourth in their sire class, behind Darley's Street Cry: Coolmore's **Johannesburg** (22nd) and **Rock of Gibraltar** (24th); and the Irish National Stud's **Invincible Spirit** (23rd), who Darley has bought into.

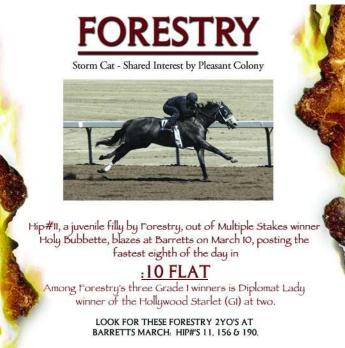
There are a further 10 sires which I rate 'on the cusp' of this top 25. From the F2000 class, these include the number three and four sires on the current General Sire List: Indian Charlie (18 individual progeny in the 2008 TDN count) and Stormy Atlantic (North America's Leading Sire of Two-Year-Olds in 2006). From the equally prolific 2002 sire class, we need to keep a close eye on More Than Ready, a top two-year-old himself and a very consistent sire; and Bernstein, who has been registering very good numbers, and whose first Castleton Lyons crop are two-year-olds this year. The F2003 class, headed by Europeans Galileo and Medicean in my top 25, has probably five North American sires who could be knocking on the door: Kentucky imports Songandaprayer and Exchange Rate from Florida, and City Zip from New York; Put It Back, who is still in Florida; and the leading 'indigenous' Kentucky F2003 sire Broken Vow. And finally--just behind Street Cry, Johannesburg, Invincible Spirit and Rock of Gibraltar-the number five F2004 sire is Officer, whose runners trained on just fine as three year olds last year. He's not far off being a 'new Top 25' sire himself.

ELSEWHERE: The Racing Post's Bloodstock Editor, Rachel Pagones, has been in Melbourne for an international breeders' meeting, and reported in Monday's edition on a very important study which was conducted by the University of Melbourne and presented by Dr. Chris Whitton at the conference. They tracked 2,773 yearlings bought at Magic Millions and William Inglis yearling sales in 2003, and compared their repository X-rays to their subsequent racing performance at two and three. Guess what they found? Said Dr. Whitton, "The bottom line is, radiographic lesions at yearling sales have no or limited effect on future performance." Rachel's article goes into further detail, but the upshot is what most horsemen already knew: taking horses off your list at a yearling sale because they don't vet 'clean' is usually a mistake. I hope the CBA (Consignors and Commercial Breeders Association) will be getting copies of the study and briefing their members on it. Now, if it could just be required reading for owners.

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Cheltenham Tuesday...

It's the Royal Ascot of jumping, and yesterday's opening day of the four-day Cheltenham festival didn't disappoint. The day's feature, the two-mile Champion Hurdle, was won by Katchit, bred for the flat (by Kalinisi out of an Ezzoud mare) by Dominic Burke, a client of James Delahooke's. He's only small, is Katchit, and he's just a five-year-old, which defies history; but he's a tenacious wee thing, and he's now earned a little over \$1 million in two seasons of h urdling. They go hurdling (smaller obstacles) or 'chasing (bigger), between two miles and three miles-plus, and in their first season in each category they can run in 'novice' races the whole first season in which they first win. Yesterday were the two two-mile novice Group 1's. Top Irish owner J.P. McManus ran one-two in the first one, the Supreme Novices' Hurdle. McManus's seven-year-old, Captain Cee Bee (by Germany, a son of Trempolino who won two Group 1's in--you guessed it--Germany, for the late Sheikh Maktoum's pal, Jaber Abdullah) outstayed the four-year-old Binocular, by the 1999 G1 English and Irish runner-up, Enrique (he was from Barathea's first crop). The two-mile novice chase, the Irish Independent-sponsored Arkle, was won impressively by Tidal Bay, whose sire, Flemensfirth, was a son of Alleged who won the G1 Premio Roma; the distant runner-up was the five-year-old mare Kruguyrova, from the second crop of Muhtahir, winner of the 2000 edition of the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois. Muhtathir's first crop, you may remember, included two 2007 Group 1 winners, globetrotting Doctor Dino and Satwa Queen, a \$7-million mare at last year's Tattersalls December Sale. Another French stallion bailed me out for the day, in the get-out stakes, a four-year-old novices' handicap hurdle won by 15-1 shot Crack Away Jack, who is by Alexander Goldrun's sire, Gold Away.



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THE TOP 25 F1996-B2004 SIRES - Oppenheim's Subjective Rankings

			(Exclude	ung Snet	<i>s 10y0</i> a	A Rnr	Rank	Pct A's	Rank
RANK	SIRE	YR	HIS SIRE	1st Fls	ST	Index	A Index	Foals	Pct A's
1	Distorted Humor	1993	Forty Niner	2000	Ky	3.70	2	9.38	1
2	Smart Strike	1992	Mr. Prospector	1998	Ky	3.87	1	9.35	2
3	Pivotal	1993	Polar Falcon	1998	GB	3.16	10	6.26	16
4	Awesome Again	1994	Deputy Minister	2000	Ky	3.21	9	5.71	25
5	Galileo	1998	Sadler's Wells	2003	lre	3.32	8	4.88	52
6	Unbridled's Song	1993	Unbridled	1998	Ky	3.09	13	6.70	6
7	Dansili	1996	Danehill	2002	GB	2.48	30	6.34	13
8	Giant's Causeway	1997	Storm Cat	2002	Ky	2.73	20	6.42	12
9	Montieu	1996	Sadler's Wells	2002	lre	2.70	23	4.17	80
10	Street Cry	1998	Machiavellian	2002	Ky	3.33	23 7	5.71	25
11	Mr. Greeley	1990	Gone West	1997	Ку	1.79	78	5.14	38
12	Pulpit	1992	A.P. Indy	1999	Ку	2.39	39	6.54	8
13	Forestry	1996	Storm Cat	2001	Ку	3.16	11	5.71	25
14	Danehill Dancer	1993	Danehill	1999	lre	2.40	37	5.51	29
15	Chester House	1995	Mr. Prospector	2002	Dead	2.40	27	7.62	23
16	Not for Love	1995	Mr. Prospector	1997	Md	2.29	44	7.37	3 4
17	Langfuhr	1990	Danzig	1999	Ky	2.29	29	5.54	28
18	Successful Appeal		Valid Appeal	2002	Ку	3.33	29	5.91	23
10 19	Cape Cross	1990	Green Desert	2002	Ire	3.33 2.24	46	3.78	101
20		1994	in the Wings	1999	GB	2.45	34	4.41	68
20 21	Singspiel Medicean	1992	Machiavellian	2003	GB	2.45	34 42	4.41	80
21 22		1997		2003		2.31	42 30	3.60	112
23	Johannesburg	1999	<mark>Hennessy</mark> Green Desert	2004	Ку		30 47		91
	Invincible Spirit				Ire	2.23		3.93	
24 25	Rock of Gibraltar	1999	Danehill Kinamamba	2004	lre Ku	2.44	35	6.09	20
20	Lemon Drop Kid	1996	Kingmambo	2002	Ку	2.46	33	5.41	32
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	Stormy Atlantic	1994	Storm Cat	2000	Ку	2.22	48	4.83	53
	Indian Charlie	1995	in Excess	2000	Ку	1.47	114	4.21	79
	More than Ready	1997	Southern Halo	2002	Ку	1.77	81	4.82	56
	Bernstein	1997	Storm Cat	2002	Ку	2.71	22	6.21	17
	Exchange Rate	1997	Danzig	2003	Ку	3.55	4	6.29	14
	City Zip	1998	Carson City	2003	Кy	2.75	19	5.95	22
	Put It Back	1998	Honour and Glory	2003	FÍ	3.42	5	5.15	37
	Songandaprayer	1998	Unbridled's Song		Ку	2.33	41	4.94	47
	Broken Vow	1997	Unbridled	2003	Кy	2.40	38	4.19	79
	Officer	1999	Bertrando	2004	Ку	2.80	17	5.06	41
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Yesterday's Results:

9th-TAM, **\$20,400**, **Alw**, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, a5fT, :58 1/5, fm.

SARAH'S IMAGE (m, 5, <u>Stormy Atlantic</u>--Kim's Image, by Image of Greatness) romped home by 10 lengths in her debut over this dirt track in 2006, but was sidelined nearly 10 months after that effort. She returned with a lone start in 2007 before resurfacing this winter with a runner-up effort in an off-the-turfer Jan. 18 and a 3 1/2-length tally over course and trip Feb. 3. The evenmoney choice to go back-to-back, Sarah's Image jumped out to the early lead, drew off when challenged

leaving the backstretch and came home 3 1/2 lengths better than Inhonorofjohnnie (Double Honor). Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$41,296.

O-Michael J Clare. B-Michael Clare & Martin Minella (FL). T-Lori A Smock.

7th-TAM, \$20,200, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, a1 1/16mT, 1:47 3/5, fm.

MYSTERIOUS JULE (f, 3, Wild Event--Jule Royale, by Jules), a debut winner sprinting over this dirt track Dec. 29, was fifth in the Jan. 19 Gasparilla S. and was coming off a fifth-place allowance effort Feb. 16. Trying the turf and a route for the first time, the 7-1 shot rated in second behind modest fractions, powered to the lead turning for home and romped home an 8 1/4-length victoress. Cato Major (E Dubai) was second. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$27,797.

O-Isabel Padilla. B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). T-Lynne M Scace.

6th-PHA, \$51,360, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. +JUSTICEANFORTITUDE (c, 3, Dayjur--Truth and Nobility {MSW, \$255,594}, by Proud Truth), dismissed at 29-1 in his debut, stalked the pace early, forged to the lead a sixteenth from home and pulled clear to a 3 1/4-length win over 13-1 outsider Opening Page (Deputy Wild Cat). Zoned (A.P. Indy) was scratched. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made. Click for the brisnet.com chart. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600. O-Briter Stable. B-Briter Farm (PA). T-John C Servis.

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3:40p 6th-GPX, \$40k, Msw, 3yo, f, 7f

HRTV SONG OF LOVE (Changeintheweather), a half sister to GISW Nobiz Like Shobiz (Albert the Great), makes her first start off a bullet five-furlong move (:59 3/5) at Gulfstream Mar.
 6. Like Nobiz, she is an Elizabeth Valando homebred trained by Barclay Tagg. Eibar Coa has the mount. Happy Point (Point Given) set the pace before tiring to third over a sloppy Gulfstream track at this trip Feb. 21. The Ken McPeek trainee is out of MSW & MGSP The Happy Hopper (El Prado {Ire}). Klein homebred Whirlie Bertie (Stormin Fever), out of MGSW De Bertie (De Niro) debuts for trainer Steve Margolis. Working sharply for her bow, the dark bay filly is a half to SW & MGSP Get Ready Bertie (More Than Ready). brisnet.com pps

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AQUEDUCT

Ice Cool Kitty (Tomorrows Cat), 3f, :38.94, 4/5 Irish Smoke (Smoke Glacken), 3f, :36.94, 3/5

BAY MEADOWS

Somethinaboutlaura (Dance Floor), 4f, :49.00, 5/10

BELMONT PARK (training track)

Naughty New Yorker (Quiet American), 5f, 1:01.18, 3/16

Officer in Pursuit (Officer), 5f, 1:00.17, 1/16 Praying for Cash (Songandaprayer), 4f, :48.43, 5/43

HOLLYWOOD

Ginger Punch (Awesome Again), 5f, 1:00.40, 8/38 In Excelsis (Fusaichi Pegasus), 7f, 1:27.60, 1/3 Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}), 5f, 1:00.00, 7/38

LAUREL PARK

Control System (Lion Hearted), 5f, 1:01.40, 2/10 My Mammy (Came Home), 4f, :50.80, 23/27

OAKLAWN PARK

Sebastian County (Hennessy), 3f, :36.20, 6/7

PALM MEADOWS

Keep the Peace (Touch Gold), 4f, :48.60, 3/38 Summer Doldrums (Street Cry {Ire}), 5f, 1:01.00, 3/26

SANTA ANITA

Barbecue Eddie (Stormy Atlantic), 5f, :59.00, 3/50 Council Member (Seattle Slew), 3f, :36.80, 3/16 Greg's Gold (Lake George), 5f, 1:05.00, 49/50 Indian Sun (Indian Charlie), 4f, :46.20, 1/36 Swiss Diva (Swiss Yodeler), 5f, 1:00.40, 16/50 Tasha's Miracle (Harlan's Holiday), 5f, 1:02.00, 36/50 Well Armed (Tiznow), 5f, 1:00.40, 16/50



\star AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS \star

IN FRANCE:

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IN BRITAIN:

- Decider, g, 5, High Yield--Nikita Moon, by Secret Hello. Southwell, Britain, 3-11, Hcp, 4yo/up, 5f (AWT).
 B-Green Willow Farms. *\$100,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; 6,500gns HIT '05 TATHIT.
- Nimello, g, 12, <u>Kingmambo</u>--Zakota (Ire), by Polish Precedent. Southwell, Britain, 3-11, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-Glencrest Farm. *\$115,000 wnlg '96 KEENOV; 7,000gns HIT '02 TATAUT.



NO KATCHING HIM Moderate flat handicapper Katchit (Ire) (Kalanisi {Ire}) completed the fairytale journey to a pinnacle of National Hunt glory yesterday when capturing the £360,000 G1 Champion Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival. Successful 12 months ago in the GI Triumph Hurdle at the venue, the Alan Kingtrained "pocket rocket" became the first five-year-old to bag this prestigious prize since the eventual triple champion hurdler See You Then (GB) opened his account in 1985. His battling length defeat of Osana (Fr) (Video Rock {Fr}) at the end of the 2 1/16-mile highlight of day one of the famed meet was met with surprise by connections. "I've been very relaxed all day, because I honestly didn't think he could win," King explained. "He got a beautiful ride and kept battling--I'm so proud of him." Jockey Robert "Chocolate" Thornton, who had also won the opening G1 Supreme Novices' Hurdle aboard J P McManus's Captain Cee Bee (Ire) (Germany), admitted that he had shared his trainer's pessimism beforehand. "I had to believe he could do it, or there was no point, but whether he could or not was a different matter," he said afterwards. "He's unbelievable, just a little terrier. He was flat out all the way and is unreal." Earlier, Tidal Bay (Ire) (Flemensfirth) put up a highly impressive display of speed chasing when taking the G1 Arkle Chase by 13 lengths for the County Durham yard of Howard Johnson and his main patron Graham Wylie.

STAKES CLOSINGS

<u>TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12:</u> 3-22 \$150,000 Shirley Jones H.-II, GP, 4/up, f/m, 7f (150) 3-22 \$75/75,000 Bourbonette Oaks-III, TP, 3yo, f, 8f (100) <u>TOMORROW, THURSDAY, MARCH 13:</u>

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IN HONG KONG:

- Helene Brilliant (GB), g, 4, Dr Fong--Molly Brown (GB), by Rudimentary. Sha Tin, 3-9, Hcp., 1600mT, 1:35.70. B-Lostford Manor Stud. *Formerly Doctor Brown (GB). **GSP-Eng. ***34,000gns yrl '05 DONSEP.
- Industrial Express (Ire), g, 5, Alhaarth (Ire)--West of Eden (Ire), by Crofter. Sha Tin, 3-9, Hcp., 1800mT, 1:49.40. B-Ciara Eglington. *Formerly Alcyon (Ire). **1/2 to Clapham Common (GB) (Common Grounds {GB}), MSW-Ity, SP-Eng; and Tempting Fate (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}), SW & G1SP-Eng, GSP-Fr, \$116,480. ***€55,000 wnlg '03 GOFNOV; €25,000 yrl '04 GOFORB; 28,000gns 2yo '05 TATAPR.

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Yesterday's Results:

Saint-Cloud, 3.25, Cond, \in 34,000, 3, f, 8fT, 1:53.00, hy. **QUARAYED (f, 3**, <u>Dynaformer</u>--Golden Aster, by Seeking the Gold), who scored on her sole start at Clairefontaine in August, was sent off the 6-5 crowd's choice to make light of the time off. Racing in the rear of a small four-horse field, the \$190,000 KEESEP yearling challenged widest of all in the stretch and reeled in Ballerina Blue (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}) in the final strides to score by a half length. The victress hails from the family of Sadler's Wells, Nureyev, et al. Quarayed's second dam, the Nijinsky II mare Fairy Dancer, is a three-parts sister to Sadler's Wells. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, \notin 27,500.

O-M Keller; B-Castleton Lyons; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

Saint-Cloud, 4.05, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:51.50, hy.

MESS AROUND (FR) (c, 3, Sagacity {Fr}--Bubba Gump {Ire}, by Charnwood Forest {Ire}) lost his perfect tally at Toulouse on his sophomore bow Feb. 13 and started as the 10-3 second favorite to get back on track. Stalking the leader Indigo Blue (Fr) (Night Shift) throughout, the \in 15,000 DEAOCT yearling overcame that foe passing the eighth pole before asserting for a neck success. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, \in 35,400. O-Herve Morin, Eric Pokrovsky & Lydia Rabineau; B-L Lengin & O Varin; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

Saint-Cloud, 5.15, Cond, €33,000, 4-5yo, f/m, 1 5/16mT, 2:25.20, hy.

ALIX ROAD (FR) (m, 5, Linamix {Fr}--Life on the Road {Ire}, by Persian Heights {GB}), a solid group performer at three, was returning off a year's absence, having finished runner-up in the Listed Prix Lord Seymour at Longchamp last March. Stalking the early fractions, the €80,000 DEAAUG yearling cruised to the fore at the quarter pole before stretching to a three-length success from Nickelle (Fr) (Sagamix {Fr}) as the 4-5 pick. Alix Road is a half-sister to Fils de Viane (Fr) (Kadounor {Fr}), SW & GSP. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 13 starts, 3 wins, 10 places, €192,035.

O-Mme G de Chatelperron; B-F Bayrou; T-M Bollack-Badel.

Saint-Cloud, 4.45, Mdn, €22,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:29.90, hy.

MOUNT HELICON (GB) (c, 3, Montjeu {Ire}--Model Queen, by Kingmambo), fourth on his final juvenile outing in a conditions event at Longchamp in October, began his three-year-old debut as the 3-5 favorite and settled behind the early leaders. Making his move on the turn into the straight, the 600,000gns TATOCT yearling grabbed the lead approaching the furlong marker before drawing away for a 2 1/2-length defeat of Nouveau Roi (Fr) (Poliglote {GB}). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €19,500.

O-M Tabor; B-Highclere Stud & HMH Mgmnt; T-A Fabre.



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WINNER BY U.S. SIRE:

Mascot Fortune (Aus), g, 3, Fusaichi Pegasus--

Vegahoney (Aus), by Todvega (Aus). Sha Tin, 3-9, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:22.40. B-Clairefontaine Stud. *1/2 to La Volta (Aus) (Laranto {Aus}), G1SW-Aus; and Terevega (Aus) (Laranto {Aus}), MSW & GSP-Aus.

WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES:

- Seize the Day (NZ), g, 2, Indian Danehill (Ire)--Let'em Eat Dust (NZ), by Carolingian (Aus). Sha Tin, 3-9, Griffins, 1000mT, :59.00. B-T O Harrison.
- A Mirror (NZ), g, 4, Cape Cross (Ire)--Douschka (NZ), by Nassipour. Sha Tin, 3-9, Hcp., 1400mT, 1:23.00. B-C V J & S C Montgomery.

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





FACE VALUE FILLY TOPS MM TUESDAY Prominent South Australian stud Lindsay Park has been home to some unheralded but extremely effective stallions. and Red Ransom freshman Face Value (Aus) could be the latest. Yesterday, Mark Pilkington, who purchases for David Hayes but also for a number of Hong Kong clients, secured a filly from the Catrail mare Extravagantly (Aus) for a session-topping A\$120,000 at Adelaide Magic Millions, a significant result on Face Value's service fee of A\$6,600. Arrowfield-bred Extravagantly is a half-sister to the dam of triple Group 1 winner Bomber Bill (Aus) and has proven a handy producer; her first foal, by Lindsay Park stalwart Rory's Jester (Aus) fetched A\$240,000. Named Miss Lucille (Aus), she races in the Arch of Gold syndicate colours made famous by Elvstroem (Aus) and Haradasun (Aus) and she has two wins from seven appearances to date. Pilkington has previously signed for her full-brother, Oh Pickles (Aus), for A\$140,000. Prepared by David Hayes, the juvenile won his debut convincingly before racing on the pace and fading to finish well out of the frame in the G3 Blue Diamond Prelude at his only other appearance. Face Value won three races at two before finishing runner-up in the G1 Caulfield Guineas at three. Another first crop sire, the Gone West stallion Mugharreb, provided the second top price with Kennewell Racing snaring the half-brother to G3 Adelaide Guineas winner Blahnik (Aus) (Jeune {GB}) for A\$110,000. Figures were down a bit from Monday's opening session and from 2007 figures, but Magic Millions managing director David Chester said, it was unfair to compare figures. "This year's catalogue is obviously much weaker than usual," Chester said. "El created big problems with most interstate vendors not entering yearlings because of travel restrictions, which continued to well after the entries closed. A number of the top local yearlings were also interstate at the time of entry and were picked up by sales in other states including this month's Conrad Jupiters Magic Millions Yearling Sale on the Gold Coast. For the overall clearance rate to jump to 72 percent was pleasing and that's the barometer in this case."

MAGIC MILLIONS ADELAIDE YEARLINGS Tuesday, Mar. 11, 2008

CUMULATIVE	2008	
Catalogued	313	
No. Offered	279	
No. Sold	200	
RNAs	79	
% RNA	28.3%	
Top price	A\$160,000	
Gross	A\$5,258,000	
Average	A\$26,290	
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REMARKABLE NEWS TO STAND AT IIALA

STUD George Fraser's Ilala Stud, based on the outskirts of Scone in the Upper Hunter Valley, will stand four-time U.S. graded stakes winner Remarkable News



(Ven) (Chayim--Unreachable {Ven}, by Alhajras). The six-year-old Venezuelan-bred will take up stud duties at a fee of A\$7,700. The consistent Remarkable News won nine of 17 starts and earned just over \$820,000. Runner-up to Aussie

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Rules in the 2006 GI Shadwell Turf

Mile S., his wins included the 2006 GII Fourstardave H. and last season's GII Firecracker H. and GII Dixie S. He closed out his career with a seventh in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile at Monmouth Park. "By Chayim, a son of Woodman, and out of an Alhajras [by Northern Dancer] mare, his breeding may be a little out of the ordinary for Australian breeders, but with an immediate pedigree featuring Mr. Prospector, Roberto, Spring Adieu [granddam of Danehill], and Northern Dancer, there are plenty of names recognizable to everyone," Fraser said in a statement. "Chayim also boasts the unusual distinction of siring over 37 percent stakes winners to foals, a feat that is unmatched by any sire of active stallions in Australia." Trained by Angel Penna, Jr. for Holly Rincon, Remarkable News made all of his starts in the U.S.

MAGIC MILLIONS ADELAIDE YEARLING SALE THESDAY'S TOP LOTS

IUESDAY'S IUP LUIS							
<u>Hip</u> Sex		<u>Dam</u>	Price (A\$)				
<u>176</u> filly	Face Value (Aus)	Extravagantly (Aus)	120,000				
Consigned by Lindsay Park Stud, agent							
		ark Pilkington Bloodsto					
<u>183</u> colt	-	Gift Bouquet (Aus)	110,000				
	Consigned	d by Tori Park Stud					
		by Kennewell Racing					
		re) My Duchess (Aus)					
		Stud, agent for M & S Hale, B					
		avid Bridgland Bloodsto					
<u>310</u> colt		Royal Tess (Aus)	77,500				
	•	d by Kambula Stud					
Purchased by The Superhorse Trust							
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<u>133</u> filly	Belong to Me	Champagne Mist (Aus)					
<u>133</u> filly	Belong to Me Consigned b	Champagne Mist (Aus) by Willow Grove Stud					
<u>133</u> filly	Belong to Me Consigned b	Champagne Mist (Aus)					
	Belong to Me Consigned b Purcha	Champagne Mist (Aus) by Willow Grove Stud sed by Joe Hall	74,000				
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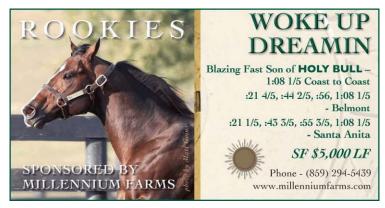




WINNERS BY U.S. SIRES:

In Honour (Arg), c, 3, <u>Honour and Glory</u>--Inimitable (Arg) (GSW-Arg), by Farnesio (Arg). San Isidro, 3-9, Maiden, 1400m, 1:21.56. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0. O-Stud Rubio B; B-Haras Vacacion; T-J C Etchechoury. *1/2 to Interdite (Arg) (Confidential Talk), GSW & G1SP-Arg; and Intensa (Arg) (Confidential Talk), G1SP-Arg.

Doriprize (Arg), c, 3, <u>Pure Prize</u>--Dorinita (Arg), by Roy. San Isidro, 3-9, Allowance, 1400m, 1:21.51. Lifetime Record: 13-2-0-6. O-Stud Identic; B-Jose I Hurtado Vicuna; T-R M Bullrich. *SP-Arg.



First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, Mar. 12 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, 150/13/0 6-DED, Msw, 5f, +Free Space, \$45K KEE APR 2yo, 9-2 CHANGEINTHEWEATHER (Gone West), Xanthus, \$8K, 74/17/1 6-GP, Msw, 7f, +Song of Love, 10-1 DREWMAN (Unbridled), Ocala Stud, \$3K, 123/17/0 5-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Princessnthepauper, \$2K OBS JUN 2yo, 12-1 EMPIRE MAKER (Unbridled), Juddmonte, \$100K, 185/9/3 6-GP, Msw, 7f, +Perfect Empire, \$150K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1 HOOK AND LADDER (Dixieland Band), Sequel NY, \$10K, 100/10/2 8-AQU, Alw, 6f, Fire Marshal, \$37K KEE SEP yrl POSSE (Silver Deputy), Vinery, \$10K, 154/28/7 8-TP, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Pistols N Pearls, \$12K KEE SEP yrl 2-PEN, Msw, 6f, +No Advantage, \$14K EAS MAY 2yo, 4-1 VINDICATION (Seattle Slew), Hill 'n' Dale, \$50K, 229/26/1 6-GP, Msw, 7f, +Choice Play, \$160K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1 VOLPONI (Cryptoclearance), Hopewell, 92/14/3 2-PEN, Msw, 6f, Mr. Volponi, \$43K EAS MAY 2vo, 6-1 WILD WEST (Gone West), Circle H, 25/0/0 2-PEN, Msw, 6f, H F Wild Alex, 20-1 WINDSOR CASTLE (Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain, \$3K, 26/3/0 2-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Marcy Claim Tofame, 6-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-PHA, **\$42,000**, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17, ft.

QUICK SALE (m, 6, Pembroke--Mount Forloon, by Coastal) Lifetime Record: 36-11-3-6, \$247,642. O-Home Team Stables. B-Hermitage Farm LLC & Jerry Durbin (KY). T-Scott A Lake. *\$5,000 yrl '03 KEEJAN.

8th-WRD, \$22,240, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:08 2/5, ft.

REEL CHROME (f, 4, Reel On Reel--Chromogenic, by Chromite) Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-3, \$78,642. O-Hal Browning and David Faulkner. B-H & S Farms, LLC (OK). T-Kari Craddock.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Run Itsamonster, c, 3, Meadow Monster--Runner, by Runaway Groom. PHA, 3-11, (C), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Indian Mills Stock Farm (PA).

Tarafox, g, 3, Tarakam--Foxy Judi, by Akureyri. WRD, 3-11, 1m, 1:36 3/5. B-Thoroughbred Investments Ltd. (OK).

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Minus Fifteen (Ire), c, 3, Trans Island (GB)--Bumble (GB), by Rainbow Quest. Southwell, Britain, 3-11, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-Denis McDonnell. *60,000gns wnlg '05 TATDEC.



RAGING FEVER, 10, Storm Cat--Pennant Fever, by Seattle Slew Foal born Feb. 12, a filly by Distorted Humor. Will be bred back to Street Cry (Ire). Owned by and boarded at Lane's End. Accomplishments: MGISW of \$1,458,198.

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NATIONAL:

03-15 150 Skip Away H.-III, GP, 4/up, 9f (150), CLOSED 03-29 6000 Dubai World Cup-G1, Nad, 2000m (6000s), CLOSED 03-29 1000 Godolphin Mile-G2, Nad, 1600m (1000s), CLOSED 04-05 500 Oaklawn H.-II, OP, 4/up, 9f (200), 03-22 04-05 100/100 Excelsior BC H.-III, Aqu, 9f (100), 03-22 04-26 300 Texas Mile-III, LS, 8f (0), 04-17 04-30 100a Westchester H.-III, Bel, 8f (100), 04-19 05-02 150 Alysheba-III, CD, 8.5f (150), 04-09 05-24 100 Hanshin Cup H.-III, AP, 8f (100), 05-14 05-26 600 Metropolitan H.-I, Bel, 8f (600), 05-10 05-26 400 Lone Star Park H.-III, LS, 8.5f (0), 05-15 06-06 150/50 Brooklyn BC H.-II, Bel, 12f (150), 05-24 06-14 750 Stephen Foster H.-I, CD, 9f (750), 05-31 06-28 400 Suburban H.-I, Bel, 10f (400), 06-14 06-28 250/50 PrM Cornhusker BC H.-II, PrM, 9f (0), 06-17 07-05 300 Salvator Mile-III, Mth, 8f (200), 06-21 EAST: 03-15 65a Instant Friendship, Aqu, S, 4/up, 8.5f (0), CLOSED 03-29 80 H. E. Johnson Mem'l H., Lrl, 9f (0), 03-19 04-20 75a Kings Point H., Aqu, S, 9f (75), 04-05 EAST: 05-10 75 Brandywine, Del, 8.5f (0), 04-28 **MIDWEST:** 03-15 50 Tejano Run, TP, 4/up, 9f (0), CLOSED 03-23 60 Louisiana Lagniappe Classic, FG, S, 4/up, 8.5f (60), CLOSED 04-10 50 Premiere, LS, S, 8f (0), 04-03 04-11 100 Fifth Season, OP, 4/up, 8.5f (0), 03-29 04-19 200 Bill Hartack Mem'l H.-III, Haw, 9f (100), 04-07 04-19 100a Fort Harrod, Kee, 4/up, 13f (100), 04-09 WEST: 04-20 150 Ben Ali-III, Kee, 4yo/up, 9f (150), 04-09 04-26 100 Milwaukee Ave. H., Haw, S, 8.5f (75), 04-14 WEST: 03-29 100a Tokyo City Cup-III, SA, 4/up, 12f (100), 03-20 04-20 100 Sunland Park H., Sun, 9f (200), 04-12

NATIONAL:

03-16 150 Mac Diarmida H.-II, GP, 4/up, 11fT (150), CLOSED 03-22 200 San Luis Rey H.-II, SA, 4/up, 12fT (200), 03-13 03-29 5000 Dubai Duty Free-G1, Nad, 1777mT (5000s), CLSD 03-29 5000 Dubai Sheema Classic-G1, Nad, 2400mT (5000s), CLSD 04-05 150 Arcadia H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, 8fT (150), 03-27 04-05 150 Pan American H.-III, GP, 4/up, 12fT (150), 3-26 04-11 300 Maker's Mark Mile-I, Kee, 4yo/up, 8fT (200), 04-02 04-20 250 San Juan Capistrano-II, SA, 4/up, a14fT INV 04-25 200 Fifth Third Elkhorn-II, Kee, 4/up, 12fT (200), 04-16 04-27 1800 Audemars Piguet QE II Cup-G1, ST, 2000mT (0), CLOSED 04-27 a1025 Champions Mile (AMC), ST, 1600mT (0), CLOSED 05-03 500 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic-I, CD, 9fT (100), CLSD 05-26 400e Shoemaker BC Mile-I, Hol, 8fT (500), CLOSED 05-26 200 Dallas Turf Cup-III, LS, 9fT (0), 05-15 06-07 400 Manhattan H.-I, Bel, 10fT (400), 05-24 07-04 175/25 Firecracker BC H.-II, CD, 8fT (200), 06-21 07-04 125/50 Stars/Stripes BC-III, AP, 12fT (150), 06-25 07-05 750 United Nations-I, Mth, 11fT (500), 07-21 08-09 1000 Arlington Million-I, AP, 10fT (500), 04-18 04-05 85 Cherokee River Stb Turf Classic, Tam, R, 4/up, a9fT (50), 03-22 04-27 100a Fort Marcy H.-III, Aqu, 8.5fT (100), 04-12 05-11 100a Kingston H., Bel, S, 9fT (100), 04-26 MIDWEST: 03-15 60 Allen Lacombe Mem'l H., FG, 4/up, 8fT (60), CLOSED 03-22 60 Fortin H., FG, 4/up, 8.5fT (60), CLOSED 05-03 100 James B Tafel IL Owners, AP, R, 8.5fT (100), 04-23 03-16 100a Crystal Water H., SA, S, 4/up, 8fT (100), CLOSED 03-22 55a March Madness H., BM, 4/up, 8fT (50), 03-15 04-26 75 Bay Meadows H., BM, 8.5fT (75), 04-17 04-26 75/50 Bay Meadows BC H., BM, 8.5fT (75), 04-17 04-27 150 TVG Khaled, Hol, S, 4/up, 9fT (150), 04-04

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03-30 a726 March, Nak, 4/up, 9f (0), CLOSED

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03-23 a1202 Hanshin Daishoten-G2, Hsn, 4/up, a15fT (0), CLSD 03-29 a1188 Nikkei Sho-G2, Nak, 4up, 12.5fT (0), CLSD 04-06 a754 Lord Derby Challenge Trophy, Nak, 4/up, 8fT (0), CLOSED 04-06 a1188 Sankei Osaka Hai-G2, Hsn, 4/up, 10fT (0), CLOSED 05-18 a2010 Singapore Airlines Int'l Cup-G1, Krn, 2000mT (0), CLSD

<u>3/up, dirt, sprint</u>

NATIONAL:

03-29 2000 Dubai Golden Shaheen-G1, Nad, 1200m (2000s), CLOSED 04-05 300 Carter H.-I, Aqu, 7f (300), 03-22 04-05 200 Potrero Grande BC H-II, SA, 4/up, 6.5f (200), 03-27 04-10 150 Count Fleet Sprint H.-III, OP, 6f (100), 03-29 04-12 300/100 Commonwealth-II, Kee, 7f (200), 04-02 05-03 250 Churchill Downs-II, CD, 4/up, 7f (250), 04-09 06-07 250 True North H.-II, Bel, 6f (250), 05-24 07-04 150/50 Tom Fool BC H.-II, Bel, 7f (150), 06-21 EAST: 04-05 85 Hilton Garden Inn Sprint, Tam, R, 4/up, 6f (50), 03-22 05-03 75 Panhandle H., Mnr, 5f (0), 04-21 05-10 75 Lyman Sprint H., Pha, S, 7f (150), 04-26 05-10 100a Bold Ruler H.-III, Bel, 6f (100), 04-26 05-17 75 Waterford Park H., Mnr, 6f (0), 05-05 MIDWEST: 03-22 60 Louisiana Lagniappe Sprint, FG, S, 4/up, 5.5f (60), CLOSED 03-22 50 Hot Springs, OP, 4/up, 6f (0), 03-14 04-05 75 James Levitch IL Owners H., Haw, R, 6f (75), 03-24 04-26 100 Chicagoland H., Haw, S, 4/up, 6f (75), 04-14 WEST: 03-15 50 Bill Thomas Mem'l H., Sun, 6.5f (150), CLOSED 03-15 100 Bay Meadows Sprint-III, BM, 4/up, 6f (100), CLOSED 03-29 100 Mt. Cristo Rey H., Sun, S, 4.5f (200), 03-21 04-27 70 Barretts, Hol, S&R, 7f (50), 04-04 04-27 60 NTRA, Hol, S&R, 6.5f (50), 04-04 04-27 150 Tiznow, Hol, S, 4/up, 7.5f (150), 04-04 <u>3/up, turf, sprint</u>

NATIONAL:

04-13 125 Shakertown-III, Kee, 5.5fT (100), 04-02 05-02 150 Aegon Turf Sprint-III, CD, 5fT (150), 04-09 06-15 100/50 Jaipur BC-III, Bel, 6fT (100), 05-31 EAST:

03-15 75 Turf Dash, Tam, a5fT (50), CLOSED WEST:

04-04 125a Sensational Star H., **SA**, ⑤& 闬, 4up, a6.5fT (125), **3-27** 04-05 100 California Turf Sprint, **BM**, ⑤, 4/up, 5fT (100), **03-27** 04-19 100a San Simeon H.-III, **SA**, 4up, a6.5fT (100), **04-10 FOREIGN**:

03-30 a1759 Takamatsunomiya Kinen-G1, Cko, 4/up, a6fT (0), CLSD



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<u>3 yo, dirt, route</u>

NATIONAL:

TRIPLE CROWN NOMINATIONS (600), CLOSED 03-15 200 Rebel-II, OP, 8.5f (300), CLOSED 03-15 200 San Felipe-II, SA, 8.5f (200), CLOSED 03-22 500 Lane's End-II, TP, 9f (300), CLOSED 03-29 2000 UAE Derby-G2, Nad, 1800m (2000s), CLOSED 03-29 1000 Florida Derby-I, GP, 9f (2500), 03-15 04-05 750 Santa Anita Derby-I, **SA**, 9f (2500), **03-22** 04-05 750 Wood Memorial-I, Aqu, 9f (750), 03-22 04-12 750 Toyota Blue Grass-I, Kee, 9f (200), CLOSED 04-12 150 Holy Bull-III, GP, 9.5f (150), 04-02 04-12 1000 Arkansas Derby-II, OP, 9f (1000), 03-22 04-19 325 Coolmore Lexington-II, Kee, 8.5f (200), 04-09 04-26 150 Withers-III, Aqu, 8f (150), 04-12 04-27 250 CAL NATIONAL Snow Chief, Hol, S, 9f (250), 04-04 05-03 2000 Kentucky Derby-I, CD, 10f (6000s), 03-29 05-10 400 Lone Star Derby-III, LS, 8.5f (0), 05-01 05-10 200 Peter Pan-II, Bel, 9f (200), 04-26 05-17 1000 Preakness-I, Pim, 9.5f (6000s), 03-29 06-07 1000 Belmont-I, Bel, 12f (6000s), 03-29 06-14 150/25 Northern Dancer BC-III, CD, 8.5f (175), 05-31 07-06 150/50 Dwyer BC-II, Bel, 8.5f (150), 06-21 EAST: 03-15 300 Tampa Bay Derby-III, Tam, 8.5f (150), CLOSED 03-22 80 Private Terms, Lrl, 8f (0), 03-12 MIDWEST: 03-22 75 Crescent City Derby, FG, S, 8f (75), CLOSED 03-22 100 Rushaway, TP, 8.5f (100), 03-12 04-05 100 Illinois Derby-II, Haw, 9f (500), CLOSED 04-12 75/25a Northern Spur BC, OP, 8f (0), 04-04 05-10 125 Texas Stallion-Stymie Div., LS, R, 8.5f (0), CLOSED

WEST:

03-16 600 WinStar Derby, **Sun**, 9f (5000), **CLOSED** 03-16 100 NM Breeders Derby, **Sun**, ⑤, 8f (200), **CLOSED**

<u>3 yo, turf, route</u>

NATIONAL:

04-04 150 Central Bank Transylvania-III, Kee, 8fT (150), 03-26 05-02 150 Crown Royal American Turf-III, CD, 8.5fT (150), 04-09 05-24 150 Arlington Classic, AP, 8.5fT (300), 03-28 06-14 200 Jefferson Cup-II, CD, 9fT (200), 05-31 07-12 250 American Derby-II, AP, 9.5fT (300), 03-28 08-09 400 Secretariat-I, AP, 10fT (300), 03-28 EAST: 03-29 150 Palm Beach-III, GP, 9fT (150), 03-19

04-05 85 Dayton Andrews Dodge Soph Turf, **Tam**, **R**, a8.5fT (50), **03-22**

LATE NOMINATIONS DUE SATURDAY, MARCH 15 \$1,000,000 GI FLORIDA DERBY

> For three-year-olds at 1 1/8 miles To be run Saturday, March 29, 2008

MIDWEST: 03-21 60 Grindstone, FG, 8.5fT (60), CLOSED 04-26 50 Grand Prairie Turf Challenge, LS, 8fT (0), 04-17 WEST: 03-15 75a Pasadena, SA, 8fT (50), CLOSED 3 yo, dirt, sprint NATIONAL: 04-05 150 Bay Shore-III, Aqu, 7f (150), 03-22 06-07 250 Woody Stephens BC-II, Bel, 7f (200), 05-24 07-04 150 Jersey Shore-III, Mth, 6f (100), 06-21 EAST: 03-13 65a Spicy Award, Aqu, 6f (0), CLOSED 04-05 85 OBS Sophomore, Tam, R, 7f (50), 03-22 04-13 100 NY Stallion-Tms Sq., Aqu, S, 7f (n/a), 04-13 04-26 75 Francis Jock LaBelle Mem'l, Del, 6f (0), 04-14 MIDWEST: 03-22 50 Hansel, TP, 6f (0), 03-12 03-30 50 Rainbow, OP, S, 6f (n/a), CLOSED 04-06 50 Bachelor, OP, 6f (0), 03-28 04-06 100a Lafayette, Kee, 7f (100), 03-26 04-22 100 Derby Trial, CD, 7.5f (100), 04-09 04-26 50 Golden Circle, PrM, 6f (0), 04-18 04-26 100 Land of Lincoln, Haw, S, 6f (75), 04-14 05-17 100 Matt Winn, CD, 6f (100), 05-07 WEST: 03-29 75a San Miguel, SA, 6f (50), 03-20 04-06 50 Daylight Sprint, Sun, 6f (150), 03-29 2 yo, turf, route

MIDWEST:

09-01 200 Miller Lite Cradle, RD, 8.5fT (100), 05-09

NATIONAL:

05-01 100/50 Kentucky BC-III, CD, 5f (150), 04-09 MIDWEST:

06-07 100e TTA Sales Fty, **LS**, **R**, 5f (3250s), **05-01 WEST:**

04-19 130a Copper Top Fty., **Sun**, **S**, 4.5f (10000s), **3-23**

KEY: Race Date, Purse, Name, Grade, Track, S=State-bred, R=Restricted, Distance (T=turf), Nomination Fee, Closing Date ALL FEES FOR CANADIAN RACES ARE GIVEN IN CANADIAN DOLLARS

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<u>3/up, f/m, dirt, route</u>

NATIONAL:

04-05 500 Apple Blossom H.-I, OP, 4/up, 8.5f (200), 03-22 04-18 125 Doubledogdare-III, Kee, 4/up, 8.5f (100), 04-09 05-02 200/100 Louisville BC-II, CD, 8.5f (300), 04-09 05-17 150 Shuvee H.-II, Bel, 8f (150), 05-03 05-26 150 Arlington Matron H.-III, AP, 9f (150), 05-14 06-14 300 Fleur De Lis-II, CD, 9f (300), 05-31 06-14 300 Ogden Phipps H.-I, Bel, 8.5f (300), 05-31 EAST: 03-29 100a Next Move H.-III, Aqu, 9f (100), 03-15 <u>03-29 75 Forever Whirl, GP, S, 9f (50), 03-19</u> 04-19 75 Cicada, GP, S, 9f (50), 04-09 MIDWEST: 03-29 50 Fairway Fun, TP, 4/up, 8.5f (0), 03-19 04-09 100 Bayakoa, OP, 4/up, 8.5f (0), 03-29 04-19 200 Sixty Sails H.-III, Haw, 9f (100), 04-07 04-26 100 Peach Of It H., Haw, S, 8.5f (75), 04-14 WEST: 03-16 100 Harry W Henson BC H., Sun, 8f (200), CLOSED 03-23 100 Sydney Valentini H., Sun, S, 8f (200), 03-15 04-12 75a Santa Lucia H., SA, R, 4/up, 8.5f (50), 04-03 3/up, f/m, turf, route NATIONAL: <u>03-23 150 Santa Ana H.-II, SA, 4/up, 9fT (150), 03-13</u> 03-30 150 Orchid H.-III, GP, 4/up, 12fT (150), 03-20 04-12 200 Jenny Wiley-II, Kee, 4/up, 8.5fT (200), 04-02 04-19 200 Santa Barbara H.-II, SA, 4/up, 10fT (200), 4-10 04-24 150 Grey Goose Bewitch-III, Kee, 4/up, 12fT (100), 04-16 05-03 150 Churchill Distaff Turf Mile-III, CD, 8fT (150), 04-09 05-24 150 Sheepshead Bay H.-II, Bel, 11fT (150), 05-10 05-26 400e Gamely BC-I, Hol, 9fT (500), CLOSED 05-26 200 Ouija Board Distaff-III, LS, 8fT (0), 05-15 06-07 400 Just A Game-I, Bel, 8fT (400), 05-24 06-14 150 Early Times Mint Julep H.-III, CD, 8.5fT (150), 05-31 06-14 150 Eatontown-III, Mth, 8.5fT (100), 05-31 06-21 250 New York BC-II, Bel, 10fT (150), 06-07 08-09 750 Beverly D.-I, AP, 9.5fT (300), 04-18 EAST: 03-15 175 Hillsborough-III, Tam, 4/up, a9fT (100), CLSD 04-05 85 L&D FarmTurf Distaff, Tam, R, 4/up, 8.5fT (50), 3-22 04-12 80 Dahlia, Lrl, 8fT (0), 04-02 04-26 100a Beaugay H.-III, Agu, 8.5fT (100), 04-12 05-18 100a Mount Vernon H., Bel, S, 8.5fT (100), 05-03 MIDWEST:

03-21 60 Red Camelia, FG, S, 4/up, 8.5fT (60), CLOSED



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WEST: 03-29 55a Hillsborough H., BM, 4/up, 8fT (50), 03-22 04-06 75a Valentine Dancer H., SA, 4/up, 8fT (50), 03-27 04-27 150 Fran's Valentine, Hol, S, 4/up, 8.5fT (150), 04-04 05-11 55a Mother's Day H., BM, 8.5fT (50), 05-03 FOREIGN: 03-16 a726 Nakayama Himba-G3, Nak, 4/up, 9fT (0), CLOSED <u>3/up, f/m, dirt, sprint</u> NATIONAL: 03-22 150 Shirley Jones H.-II, GP, 4/up, 7f (150), 03-12 03-22 100/50 Distaff BC H.-II, Aqu, 6f (100), CLOSED 04-09 200 Vinery Madison-II, Kee, 4/up, 7f (200), 04-02 04-19 100/50 Bed O' Roses BC H.-II, Aqu, 7f (100), 04-05 05-03 300 Humana Distaff H.-I, CD, 4yo/up, 7f (300), 4-09 05-25 150 Vagrancy H.-II, Bel, 6.5f (150), 05-10 06-28 100/50 Chicago H.-III, AP, 7f (100), 06-18 07-04 150 First Flight H.-II, Bel, 7f (150), 06-21 EAST: 03-15 60 Conniver, Lrl, S, 7f (0), CLOSED 04-05 80 Primonetta, Lrl, 6f (0), 03-26 05-13 75 Hancock County H., Mnr, 5f (0), 04-29 **MIDWEST:** 03-21 60 LA Lagniappe Ladies Sprint, FG, S, 4/up, 5.5f (60), CLOSED 03-22 50 Queen, TP, 4yo/up, 6f (0), CLOSED 03-29 50 Carousel H., OP, 4/up, 6f (0), 03-21 04-19 50 JEH Stallion Station, LS, S, 6.5f (0), 04-10 04-26 100 Governor's Lady H., Haw, S, 4/up, 6f (75), 04-14 04-26 100 Lady Hallie, Haw, S, 6f (75), 04-14 WEST: 04-06 150 Las Flores H.-III, SA, 4/up, 6.5f (150), 03-27 04-12 50 Czaria H., Sun, 6f (150), 04-04 04-27 70 Warren's Thoroughbred's, Hol, S&R, 7f (50), 04-04 04-27 60 Magali Farms, Hol, S&R, 6.5f (50), 04-04 04-27 150 B. Thoughtful, Hol, S, 4yo/up, 7f (150), 04-04 <u>3/up, f/m, turf, sprint</u> MIDWEST: 04-19 100a Giant's Causeway, Kee, 5.5fT (100), 04-09 04-26 50 Irving Distaff, LS, 7.5fT (0), 04-17 05-01 100 Mamzelle, CD, 5fT (100), 04-09 WEST: 03-17 125a Irish O'Brien, SA, SJ, 4up, a6.5fT (125), CLSD 04-13 100a Las Cienegas H.-III, SA, 4up, a6.5fT (100), 04-09 04-19 55a Monterey H., BM, 4/up, 5fT (50), 04-12 **3yo fillies, dirt, route**

NATIONAL:

03-22 150 Bourbonette Oaks-III, TP, 8f (100), 03-12 03-29 150 Bonnie Miss-II, GP, 9f (150), 03-19 04-05 500 Ashland-I, Kee, 8.5f (100), CLOSED 04-06 250 Fantasy-II, OP, 8.5f (100), 03-22 04-12 150 Comely-II, Aqu, 8f (150), 03-29 05-02 500a Kentucky Oaks-I, CD, 9f (25000s), 04-29 05-31 100 Dogwood-III, CD, 8f (100), 05-17 06-07 250 Acorn-I, Bel, 8f (250), 05-24 06-14 150/25 Susan's Girl BC, Del, 8.5f (175), 06-02 06-28 250 Mother Goose-I, Bel, 9f (250), 06-14

EAST:

03-15 200 Florida Oaks-III, Tam, 8.5f (100), CLOSED

03-19 65a Andover Way, Aqu, 1m70yds (0), 03-12

MIDWEST: 03-16 100 Honeybee-III, OP, 8.5f (0), CLOSED

03-22 75 Crescent City Oaks, FG, S, 8f (75), CLOSED

04-12 75/25a Instant Racing BC, OP, 8f (0), 04-04

05-10 125 Texas Stallion-Got Koko Div., LS, R, 8.5f (0), CLOSED

WEST:

03-16 200 WinStar Sunland Park Oaks, Sun, 8.5f (250), CLOSED 04-27 200 Melair, Hol, S, 8.5f (200), 04-04

31	<u>yo fil</u>	lies, 1	<u>turf,</u>	route	

NATIONAL:

04-16 125 Appalachian-III, Kee, 8fT (100), 04-09 05-02 150 Edgewood, CD, 8.5fT (150), 04-09 05-24 200 American 1000 Guineas, AP, 8fT (200), 05-14 05-31 150 Sands Point-II, Bel, 9fT (150), 05-17 06-14 200 Regret-III, CD, 9fT (200), 05-31 06-28 150 Boiling Springs-III, Mth, 8.5fT (100), 06-14 MIDWEST: 03-21 60 Bedanken, FG, a8.5fT (60), CLOSED WEST: 04-05 100a Providencia-II, SA, 9fT (100), 03-27 04-12 75a Bay Meadows Oaks, BM, 8.5fT (75), 04-03 **3vo fillies, dirt, sprint** NATIONAL: 03-15 100a Cicada-III, Aqu, 6f (100), CLOSED 04-10 250 Stonerside Beaumont-II, Kee, 7f 184ft (200), 04-02 05-03 200 Nassau County BC-III, Bel, 7f (100), 04-19 05-03 150 La Troienne-III, CD, 7.5f (150), 04-09 07-05 250 Prioress BC-I, Bel, 6f (200), 06-21 EAST: 03-14 65a Love Is Eternal, Aqu, S, 6f (0), CLOSED 04-05 85 Stonehedge Farm So. Soph Fillies, Tam, R, 7f (50), 03-22 04-13 100 NY Stallion-Pk. Ave, Aqu, S, 7f (n/a), CLOSED

04-19 100 Peach Blossom, Del, 6f (100), 04-07

05-04 100a Bouwerie, Bel, S, 7f (100), 04-19

05-13 75 Trevose, Pha, 6.5f (500), 04-29

MIDWEST:

03-28 50 Rainbow Miss, OP, S, 6f (n/a), CLOSED

04-11 50 Prima Donna, OP, 6f (0), 04-04

04-26 50 Goldfinch, PrM, 6f (0), 04-18

04-26 50 Richland Hills, LS, 6f (0), 04-17 WEST:

03-30 100a Santa Paula-III, SA, 6.5f (100), 03-20

2vo fillies, dirt, sprint

MIDWEST:

06-07 100e TTA Sales Fty, LS, R, 5f (3250s), 05-01 08-30 100 Coca-Cola Bassinet, RD, 6f (100), 05-09

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