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HEADLINE NEWS

KIP KIP HOORAY!

How often do you get 2-1 on a Breeders' Cup champ? **Kip Deville** (Kipling) was making his first start since taking the Oct. 27 GI Breeders' Cup Mile, but he was let go at seemingly generous odds in yesterday's GI Maker's Mark Mile S. at Keeneland, and rewarded the faithful with a decisive score. The five-year-old had raced in Lexington twice before, taking the Bryan Station S. in the fall of 2006 and the Maker's Mark a year ago, and showed his affinity for the Keeneland course once again in his title defense. Jockey Cornelio Velasquez had the gray tucked in at the rail while rating off the pace over the rain-softened turf. It looked like he might get shuffled back as they raced down the backstretch, but Velasquez urged Kip Deville to maintain his position, then hustled him inside pacesetter **Thorn Song** (Unbridled's Song) at the top of the lane, and set sail for the wire. It was a length back to **Einstein (Brz)** (Spend a Buck) in second. "We targeted this race after the Breeders' Cup," said trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. "At times things don't work out the way you plan it, but 'Kip' made sure it worked out this time."

Friday, Keeneland

MAKER'S MARK MILE S.-GI, \$300,000, KEE, 4-11, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:36 3/5, gd.

1--**KIP DEVILLE**, 123, h, 5, by Kipling

1st Dam: **Klondike Kaytie** (SW, \$173,802), by Encino

2nd Dam: **Charming Dawn**, by Vigors

3rd Dam: **High Charme**, by High Tribute

(\$20,000 yrl '04 TEXAUG). O-IEAH Stables & Pegasus Holding Group Stables, J Roberts & A & S Cohen; B-Center Hills Farm (OK); T-R E Dutrow Jr; J-Cornelio H Velasquez; \$186,000. Lifetime Record: 22-10-3-2, \$2,620,422. *1/2 to Gotthard (Ghazi), SW, \$286,645. **Werk Nick Rating: A +**. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Einstein (Brz)**, 123, h, 6, Spend a Buck--Gay Charm, by Ghadeer (Fr). O-P Cunningham & M Green; B-Fazenda Mondesir (BRZ); T-Helen Pitts; \$60,000.

3--**Thorn Song**, 117, h, 5, Unbridled's Song--Festal, by Storm Bird. (\$160,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '05 FTMMAY). O-Zayat Stables LLC; B-Pinnacle Racing LLC & Taylor Made Farm Inc (KY); T-Dale L Romans; \$30,000.

Margins: 1, HD, 2. Odds: 2.10, 7.70, 33.80.

Also Ran: Cosmonaut, Out of Control (Brz), Shakis (Ire), Parading, Ruff and Ready, Zann, War Monger.

Scratched: Thousand Words (GB).

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Undefeated this year, **Pyro** (Pulpit) will be squarely in the bull's eye when he takes to the gate for today's GI Toyota Blue Grass S. Which of his 11 rivals has the best shot? It could be **Cool Coal Man** (Mineshaft), who is also two-for-two this year. The bay comes off a half-length victory in the Feb. 24 GII Fountain of Youth S. He drew the rail, but trainer Nick Zito won't be disappointed if his colt doesn't come out on top...at least not today. "I want him to get a nice race out of it," Zito told DRF. "The Blue Grass is a Grade I, it's a great race to win, but I'll be happy if he has a good race." **Cont. p2**



Cool Coal Man Horsephotos

HE HAS THE POWER!

AT 2: Gr.1-pl. **AT 3:** Gr.2 wnr, Gr.1 pl.

AT 4: Gr.1 wnr by 6L. **AT 5:** Gr.1 wnr by 3L.

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Horse for the Course?

Miner's Claim (Mineshaft), two-for-two on the Polytrack at Woodbine last year, did not make his sophomore debut until March. Bet down to 19-10 in his stakes bow, the Mar. 22 Rushaway S. on the Turfway



Cowboy Cal *Jim Lisa*


Poly, the dark bay colt set a pressured pace and held on gamely to be second, beaten only a neck. He tries out yet another synthetic surface this afternoon, but, if he can pick up enough graded earnings to make his way into the field for the May 3 GI Kentucky Derby, trainer Mark Casse believes he will handle the

switch to a traditional dirt track. "I personally think that Churchill Downs is a lot like Polytrack," Casse said. "Polytrack has a little substance on the top, but it has a nice bottom that has some give to it, and that's the way Churchill Downs is. It's not real deep and it has a little bounce to it. A horse that likes Polytrack will love Churchill Downs." Trainer Todd Pletcher, still in the market for a Kentucky Derby hopeful, is banking that GSW **Cowboy Cal** (Giant's Causeway) will handle the switch from turf to Poly...and from Poly to dirt. "Our plan all along has been to run him in the Blue Grass," Pletcher said, adding, "It's pivotal in terms of earnings, and whether they run well enough to deserve a chance in the [Derby]."

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TOYOTA BLUE GRASS S.-GI, \$750,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Cool Coal Man <i>(c, Mineshaft--Coral Sea, by Rubiano)</i>	Robert V LaPenta	Farish & Hudson Jr Irrev Trust-KY	Zito	4-1
2	Kentucky Bear <i>(c, Mr. Greeley--Tate, by Afleet)</i>	Bear Stables Ltd	Alexander Valley Brdrs-KY	Desormeaux Baker	50-1
3	Cowboy Cal <i>(c, Giant's Causeway--Texas Tammy, by Seeking the Gold)</i>	Stonerside Stable LLC	Stonerside Farm-KY	Theriot Pletcher	15-1
4	Stevil <i>(c, Maria's Mon--Company Storm, by Storm Creek)</i>	Robert V LaPenta	John E Piehl III-KY	Velazquez Zito	30-1
5	Monba <i>(c, Maria's Mon--Hamba, by Easy Goer)</i>	Starlight Stable LLC, Lucarelli, et al	Mill Ridge & Jamm Ltd-KY	Bejarano Pletcher	15-1
6	Big Truck <i>(c, Hook and Ladder--Just a Ginny, by Go for Gin)</i>	Eric Fein	A Lakin & Sons-NY	Prado Tagg	6-1
7	Pyro <i>(c, Pulpit--Wild Vision, by Wild Again)</i>	Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Winchell T'breds LLC-KY	Coa Asmussen	Even
8	Stone Bird <i>(c, Grindstone--Bird Cage, by Kris S.)</i>	Marylou Whitney Stable	Marylou Whitney Stables-KY	Bridgmohan Lukas	50-1
9	Medjool <i>(c, Monarchos--Perfect Story, by Tale of the Cat)</i>	Equine Prep Management	John C Oxley-KY	Lanerie D Hofmans	30-1
10	Miner's Claim <i>(c, Mineshaft--Sapphire 'n Silk, by Pleasant Tap)</i>	Briarwood Stable	William A Carl-KY	M Baze Casse	20-1
11	Halo Najib <i>(c, Halo's Image--Najibe's Wish, by Sword Dance {Ire})</i>	Zayat Stables LLC	John S Scott-FL	Husbands Romans	15-1
12	Visionaire <i>(c, Grand Slam--Scarlet Tango, by French Deputy)</i>	Team Valor Int'l & Vision Racing	Reiley McDonald-KY	Gomez Matz	6-1

All carry 123 pounds.



☆ ARKANSAS DERBY ☆

A Change of Fortune?

Unbeaten in his first three starts, **Z Fortune** (Siphon {Brz}) followed a 2 3/4-length score in the Jan. 12 Gill LeComte S. at Fair Grounds with a solid second behind Pyro in the Feb. 9 Gill Risen Star S. But the gray faltered as the odds-on chalk in the Mar. 15 Gill Rebel S. at Oaklawn Park, finishing a well-beaten fifth. Can the Steve Asmussen trainee put that performance behind him in today's Gill Arkansas Derby? Jockey Robby Albarado, who captured the 2007 edition of the event with Asmussen's superstar Curlin, picks up the mount. "What a difference a year makes in the Arkansas Derby," Albarado said. "The only thing that's the same is that I'm riding a horse for Steve. But, unlike last year, this is a wide-open Derby with no standout." As for this year's mount, the rider said, "I know he has a lot of talent. I've watched him train, I've ridden against him, and Steve tells me that he is doing well. All I can do is try my best, and hope for the best."



Lou Hodges Jr

California Dreaming...

A quartet of colts ship in from California for the \$1 million Arkansas Derby. The contingent is headed by **Gayego** (Gilded Time), who has been first or second in all four starts. The dark bay tried two turns for the first time in the Mar. 15 Gill San Felipe S. and just missed, finishing 3/4 of a length behind Georgie Boy. **Indian Sun** (Indian Charlie) was fourth in that race, while both **Victory Pete** (Five Star Day) and **Tres Borrachos** (Ecton Park) were third last time out. Victory Pete tired to run 3 1/2 lengths behind Colonel John in the Mar. 1 Gill Sham S., while Tres Borrachos was beaten three lengths in the Mar. 8 Gill El Camino Real Derby.

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[GI Maker's Mark Mile S.](#) Kip Deville (Kipling) rides the rail to a decisive score.

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Winners' Circle Report

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Dynaformer
13TH MILLIONAIRE, 82ND STAKES WINNER

Dynaformer's **13TH millionaire** is **Dragon Welds** (03 c. o/o Poolesta (IRE), by Hero's Honor), who was second in the Lord Derby Challenge Trophy (**G3Jpn**) on April 6.

The **82ND stakes winner** and **32ND graded stakes winner** for Dynaformer is **BOSS LAFITTE** (05 c. o/o War Thief, by Lord at War (ARG)), who won the \$150,000 Transylvania S. (**G3**) at Keeneland on April 4. Owner: Uptown Racing LLC. Breeders: B.P. Walden, C. Montgomery & Dearborn Stable.

[Chart](#) [Video](#)

Sky Mesa
\$340,000 2-YEAR-OLD

Four more Sky Mesa juveniles sold at the Keeneland April Sale this week, including a filly out of Rebridled Secret, who was purchased by John Oxley in the second session of the sale for **\$340,000**. A filly out of Shouldn't We All was purchased by Elite Horse Racing for **\$150,000**.

The **21ST winner** from Sky Mesa's first crop is **STONESTREET LADY** (05 f. o/o Lady Carson, by Carson City), who won a 5 f. maiden special on April 9. She has one win and one placing from three starts with earnings of \$21,000. Owner: Stonestreet Stables, LLC. Breeder: MALEC Thoroughbreds, Inc. [Chart](#)

War Chant

EL ROBLAR (02 c. o/o Screamer, by Roanoke), was third in the \$200,000 Potrero Grande Breeders' Cup H. (**G2**) going 6-1/2 f. on the Santa Anita all weather track April 5. This was the sixth stakes performance for the graded stakes winner who has earned \$323,946. Owner: Stonestreet Stables, LLC. Breeders: Donald & R. Mary Zuckerman. [Chart](#) [Video](#)

BELLICOSE (04 f. o/o Brush Over, by Broad Brush & TCF GRAD) won a 6 f. allowance on the Keeneland all weather track on April 6 by a neck to give her two wins and a second this year. She's earned \$67,033. Owners: Robert N. Clay & Mark Ackerman. Breeders: Robert N. Clay & Fair Way Equine, LLC. [Chart](#) [Video](#)

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Arkansas Derby cont.
Give Me Liberty!

He has won every other start since breaking his maiden at Churchill in November, but **Liberty Bull** (Holy Bull) will try to put them back-to-back here. The gray took the Jan. 21 Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn and, after running third in the Feb. 18 GIII Southwest S., won the Mar. 16 WinStar Derby last time out.



TVG will be broadcasting live from Keeneland today, featuring the GI Toyota Blue Grass S.

Saturday, Oaklawn Park, post time: 5:44 p.m. CDT
ARKANSAS DERBY-GII, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Victory Pete <i>(c, <u>Five Star Day</u>--Blabby B., by Tabasco Cat)</i>	Peter O & Ellen Johnson	American Equistock-FL	Barba Potts	12-1
2	Tres Borrachos <i>(c, <u>Ecton Park</u>--Pete's Fancy, by Peteski)</i>	Greely, Greely IV & Houchens	Shapiro, Greely IV & Houchens-KY	Greely T Baze	20-1
3f	Shekinah <i>(c, <u>Johannesburg</u>--Private Pursuit, by Private Account)</i>	Horton Stables Inc	Horton Stable Inc-TX	Stewart Emigh	12-1
4	King's Silver Son <i>(c, <u>Mizzen Mast</u>--River Dyna, by Dynaformer)</i>	Mike McCarty	Totier Creek Farm-KY	Asmussen Quinonez	6-1
5	Gayego <i>(c, <u>Gilded Time</u>--Devils Lake, by Lost Code)</i>	Cubanacan Stables	Hargus & Sandra Sexton-KY	Lobo Smith	5-2
6	Isabull <i>(c, <u>Holy Bull</u>--Ms. Isadora, by Miswaki)</i>	Alex & JoAnn Lieblong	Margaret E Grimm Trust-KY	Hobby Doocy	20-1
7	My Pal Charlie <i>(c, <u>Indian Charlie</u>--Shahalo, by Halo)</i>	B Wayne Hughes	John R Penn-KY	Stall Jr Leparoux	12-1
8	Blackberry Road <i>(c, <u>Gone West</u>--Strawberry Reason, by Strawberry Road {Aus})</i>	Dogwood Stable	Payson Stud Inc-KY	Carroll Borel	8-1
9	Liberty Bull <i>(c, <u>Holy Bull</u>--Lasting Sensation, by Dehere)</i>	Kenneth Maier	Lawrence & Janis Levin-KY	Amoss Razo Jr	6-1
10	Golden Yank <i>(g, <u>Yankee Gentleman</u>--Golden Charm, by Strike the Gold)</i>	Seldin Revocable Trust	Seldin Revocable Trust-KY	Thomas Sterling Jr	15-1
11f	Ablaze With Spirit <i>(c, <u>American Spirit</u>--Ablazing Spirit, by Wekiva Springs)</i>	Heiligbrodt Racing Stable	Donald R Dizney-TX	Asmussen Berry	12-1
12	Z Fortune <i>(c, <u>Siphon {Brz}</u>--Fortunate Faith, by Fortunate Prospect)</i>	Zayat Stables LLC	Delehanty Stock Farm-NY	Asmussen Albarado	9-2
13	Indian Sun <i>(c, <u>Indian Charlie</u>--Unequivocal, by Alleged)</i>	Cecil Peacock	Kim & Rodney Nardelli-KY	Hendricks Migliore	12-1
14f	Jazz in the Park <i>(c, <u>Ecton Park</u>--Time for Jazz, by Kentucky Jazz)</i>	Russata Stables	Katy Cowan-KY	Barnett Mena	12-1

*Mutuel field

BULL IN THE RING!



HOLY BULL

Holy Bull, sire of Triple Crown contender Liberty Bull (an OBS April sale graduate), was represented by a \$460,000 two-year-old at Keeneland's April sale. Sire of a G1 winner in each of the past four years.

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Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 4:40 p.m. EDT
COMMONWEALTH S.-GII, \$400,000, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Xchanger	Exchange Rate	Shuman	4-1
2	Papa Bear	Distorted Humor	Hushion	30-1
3	Storm Military (Arg)	Bernstein	Frankel	9-2
4	Buffalo Man	El Prado (Ire)	Gambolati	8-1
5	Elite Squadron	Officer	J Baker	20-1
6	Rebellion (GB)	Mozart (Ire)	Motion	6-1
7	Medzendekron	Unusual Heat	Abrams	10-1
8	Forefathers	Gone West	Mott	4-1
9	Doppio	Gentlemen (Arg)	Gaines	15-1
10	Thousand Words (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Frankel	7-2

Winner of last year's GIII Barbaro S. and a neck second in the GII Pennsylvania Derby going two turns, **Xchanger** should be well-suited by today's distance. The grandson of Danzig was beaten a half-length when third to Diamond Stripes in the GII Meadowlands Cup Oct. 5, but was no factor when sixth in the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile Oct. 26 and fourth in the GI Cigar Mile H. Nov. 24. He makes his first start over a synthetic track, but has trained sensationally over similar footing at Fair Hill. **Rebellion** won two of his four tries over European all-weather tracks and fared quite well in his first try at this venue, missing by a half-length when runner-up in last year's GIII Phoenix S. Oct. 6. He was last seen finishing eighth in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile Oct. 27. **Doppio** could be the exotics kicker. The California shipper has won three straight and is perfect in four career starts over the Cushion Track at Hollywood and Santa Anita. **Thousand Words** scratched from yesterday's GI Maker's Mark Mile in favor of this spot.

Nathan Fox on Star Dabblers

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JENNY WILEY S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Candy Ball	Lemon Drop Kid	Leggio Jr	20-1
2	Roshani	Fantastic Light	Pletcher	5-1
3	Sealy Hill	Point Given	Casse	8-1
4	Rutherienne	Pulpit	Clement	9-2
5	Bit of Whimsy	Distorted Humor	Tagg	4-1
6	Stormy West	Gone West	Mott	20-1
7	Swingit	Victory Gallop	Wiggins	30-1
8	Precious Kitten	Catienus	Frankel	3-1
9	Lady of Venice (Fr)	Loup Solitaire	McLaughlin	4-1
10	Arravale	Arch	Benson	12-1

Canadian Horse of the Year **Sealy Hill** makes her 2008 debut. First or second in seven of eight tries last year, the four-year-old filly captured Canada's filly Triple Crown, then ran second in the Sept. 16 GII Canadian S. and in the Oct. 21 GI E.P. Taylor S. The dark bay signaled her readiness with a bullet five-eighths in :58 4/5 on the Keeneland Poly Mar. 31 and a half in :47 2/5 Apr. 6. She faces a solidly Grade I field in her return. **Precious Kitten** was last seen taking the GI Matriarch S. at Hollywood Nov. 25. **Cont. p6**



Precious Kitten Horsephotos



Jenny Wiley cont.

Bit of Whimsy capped off 2007 with wins in the Oct. 13 GI QEII Challenge Cup over this course and the Nov. 10 GII Mrs. Revere S. at Churchill. GI Del Mar Oaks heroine **Rutherienne** also captured her 2007 finale, taking the Dec. 29 GIII Frances Genter S. at Calder. **Lady of Venice** had to settle for third in the Matriarch in her latest outing, but is two-for-three on the Keeneland lawn. **Arravale**, Canada's Horse of the Year in 2006, looks to get back on track after going winless in five tries last year. The five-year-old was last seen running seventh after a rough trip in the Oct. 27 GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf.

Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 4:53 p.m. EDT

COMELY S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Elusive Lady	Van Nistelrooy	Kimmel	4-1
2	Sherine	Precise End	A Dutrow	10-1
3	Love Co	Not For Love	Contessa	15-1
4	Lady Chace	Tiznow	Pletcher	8-5
5	Zaftig	Gone West	J Jerkens	2-1
6	Ready for Fortune	More Than Ready	Contessa	6-1

A 10 3/4-length maiden winner at Monmouth in her career opener last June, **Lady Chace** faded to sixth in the GIII Schuylerville S. in July and was done for the year. The \$290K KEESEP yearling made her return in a Gulfstream allowance Mar. 14, cruising by 6 1/2 lengths, and will be tough stretching out off that seven-furlong test. **Zaftig** was named a ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ after breaking her maiden by 8 3/4 lengths Feb. 23 at Gulfstream, and should have no trouble handling the mile in her stakes debut.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 6:00 p.m. EDT

HOLY BULL S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1 3/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Famous Patriot	Repent	Hills	3-1
2	Hey Byrn	Put It Back	Plesa Jr	8-5
3	Chief Bear	Chief Seattle	Baker	8-1
4	Bipolar Express	Equality	Bennett	20-1
5	Nathan Ridge	Quaker Ridge	Carlini	8-1
6	Dream Maestro	Concerto	Kaplan	5-1
7	Web Gem	Fusaichi Pegasus	Zito	4-1

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keeneland. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

Saturday, Rosehill, Australia

DUBAI ROSEHILL GUINEAS-G1, A\$500,000, 3yo, 2000mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	6	Marching (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Snowden
2	7	Littorio (Aus)	Bellotto	Blackiston
3	5	Kingda Ka (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Waterhouse
4	8	Mission Critical (Aus)	Fantastic Light	Moroney
5	12	Pillar of Hercules (Aus)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Moody
6	4	Dealer Principal (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	A Cummings
7	1	Steel Giant (Aus)	Carnegie (Ire)	Worthington
8	14	Solo Flyer (Aus)	Belong to Me	A Cummings
9	3	Arlington (Aus)	Red Ransom	Rogerson
10	11	Guillotine (NZ)	Montjeu (Ire)	Payne
11	13	Red Ruler (NZ)	Viking Ruler (Aus)	Sargent
12	10	Largo Lad (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Hayes
13	2	Nom Du Jeu (NZ)	Montjeu (Ire)	Baker
14	9	Emperor (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Rogerson

All carry 125 pounds.

The picture for the G1 AJC Australian Derby at Randwick Apr. 26 should be much clearer after this contest. It's a decidedly open affair, with **Largo Lad**, **Guillotine** and **Littorio** sharing ante-post favoritism. Largo Lad endured a torrid run and finished three lengths in arrears of boom sophomore Weekend Hussler (Aus) in the G1 Randwick Guineas Mar. 29; prior to that, he was fifth in the G1 Australian Guineas at Flemington Mar. 8. Initially purchased for A\$75,000 by agent Dermot Farrington at the 2006 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale, Largo Lad changed hands recently for a reported A\$1.5 million and is having his first start for trainer David Hayes. "If you study his races, every start he has he produces the best final 200-meter sectional," Hayes explained. "I'm really looking forward to seeing what he can do in the Guineas. If he pulls up well, and I'm happy with him, then we will go to Randwick--the Derby is what we bought him for." Victoria Derby placegetter Littorio, a bargain basement A\$15,000 buy at Inglis Premier, could give Bart Cummings' former foreman Nigel Blackiston a career highlight.

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Saturday, Morphettville, Australia

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	9	Brom Brom (Aus)	Delago Brom (Aus)	Scratched
2	1	Mega Boss (Aus)	Peintre Celebre	Morgan
3	6	Arazamataz (Aus)	Arazi	Carey
4	14	Zagreb (Aus)	Zabeel (NZ)	Hayes
5	11	Cosmic Commander (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Balfour
6	10	Vigor (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	O'Brien
7	18	Zabdued (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Scratched
8	4	Next Shot (Aus)	Regal Shot	Bottomley
9	8	Spiritstar (Aus)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Haworth
10	7	Neugine (Aus)	Generous (Jpn)	Price
11	19	Yarra Park (Aus)	Arena (Aus)	Scratched
12	15	Jad Prince (Aus)	Delago Brom (Aus)	Searle
13	16	Lars Boy (Aus)	Dieu D'or (Aus)	Richards
14	13	Spare A Dime (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Hore-Lacy
15	12	Zarita (NZ)	Pentire (GB)	Hyland
16	3	El Daana (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Hayes
17	2	Climb The Hill (Aus)	Carnegie (Ire)	Macdonald
18	17	Standing Ovation (Aus)	Sadler's Wells	Scratched
19	5	San Roque (Aus)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Merrall

All carry 124 pounds bar Zarita & El Daana, 119.

The Pat Hyland-trained **Zarita** is favored to become the first filly to triumph here since Showella (NZ) in 1999. Last out, she landed the G1 Schweppes Oaks at this venue Mar. 29, and has four career stakes wins from 10 starts. Connections chose to pay a late entry for this after her dominant win, with Hyland reasoning, "The day she won at Morphettville the colts raced on the same day in the Chairman's S., and the winner **Zagreb** ran quite a deal slower time than us. Zarita's was a good tough effort; she never wins by far, but she just keeps winning."



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GOODWOOD H.-G1, A\$300,000, 3yo/up, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	20	Let Go Thommo (Aus)	Laranto	Zahra	128
2	2	Here De Angels (Aus)	Dehere	Freedman	123
3	6	Publishing (Aus)	Testa Rossa (Aus)	Sadler	123
4	15	Count to Zero (Aus)	Danzero (Aus)	Griffiths	121
5	22	Idalou (Aus)	Northern Drake (Aus)	Dansie	121
6	1	Diplomatic Force (Aus)	Oamaru Force	Nichols	121
7	19	Miss Fantabulous (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Hayes	119
8	8	Shadoways (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Johnstone	119
9	3	Cocinero (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Griffiths	119
10	5	Cargo Cult (Aus)	Spectrum (Ire)	McLean	119
11	18	Sharkbite (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Douglas	119
12	17	Monet Rules (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Corstens	119
13	16	Pinnacles (Aus)	Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)	Hore-Lacy	119
14	21	Immortality (Aus)	Lion Hunter (Aus)	D O'Brien	119
15	23	Tramuntana (Aus)	Singspiel (Ire)	Jolly	119
16	13	Sleek Chassis (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Hayes	116
17	24	Miss Judgement (Aus)	Strategic (Aus)	P Moody	116
18	9	Zipanese (Aus)	Bellotto	Cozamanis	113
19	11	Bel Mer (Aus)	Bel Esprit (Aus)	Price	112
20	4	Vivacious Spirit (Aus)	Bel Esprit (Aus)	Price	112
21	10	Pencelaron (Aus)	Peintre Celebre	Balfour	119
22	14	The Chunkster (Aus)	Blevic (Aus)	Jolly	119
23	7	Mi Casa Su Casa (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Minervini	119
24	12	Ambika (Aus)	Indian Danehill (Ire)	Brook	113

Let Go Thommo is seeking to defend his title despite a 128-pound impost and barrier 20, but trainer Simon Zahra is positive. "If he can get three wide with cover and come down to the centre of the track, that will suit him," he said of the gelding. **Here de Angels**, who carries the Slade Bloodstock colours, is the early co-favourite, alongside **Publishing**, after an emphatic 3 1/2-length win in a Group 3 event here Mar. 10 for trainer Lee Freedman. The consistent four-year-old has won eight of 13 appearances. Publishing, bred by John Singleton and raced by Singelton and Lloyd Williams, has posted wins in the G3 Standish H. Jan. 1 and the G3 Carlyon Cup Feb. 23. The Goodwood will be his first run since finishing eighth in the G1 Futurity S. at Caulfield Mar. 1.

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Friday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX PENELOPE-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 4-11, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT, 2:23.10, hy.

1--**GAGNOA (IRE)**, 126, f, 3, by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: **Gwynn (Ire)**, by **Darshaan (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Victoress**, by **Conquistador Cielo**

3rd Dam: **Royal Statute**, by **Northern Dancer**

(€190,000 yrl '06 DEAAUG). O-Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Susan Magnier; B-Quay Bloodstock; T-Andre Fabre; J-Stephane Pasquier; €40,000.

Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €100,150.

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Werk Nick Rating: **A +**.

2--**Top Toss (Ire)**, 126, f, 3, Linamix (Fr)--Tossup, by Gone West. O/B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm; T-Yves de Nicolay; €16,000.

3--**Sanjida (Ire)**, 126, f, 3, Polish Precedent--Sanariya (Ire), by Darshaan (GB). O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; €12,000.

Margins: NK, HF, 3. Odds: 2.10, 1.80, 5.60.

Also Ran: Quarayed, La Fresca (GB), Vadsalina (Ire).

Last of 10 to Zarkava (Ire) in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp on Arc day, Gagnoa bounced back to garner the Oct. 23 G3 Prix des Reservoirs at Deauville for trainer Yves de Nicolay. That effort attracted the attention of Coolmore's Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith and Susan Magnier, who purchased her privately from Aleyrion Bloodstock, and the filly paid an instant dividend on the investment with a commanding performance for new trainer Andre Fabre in this G1 Prix de Diane trial. Ideally positioned in second for the most part, the bay pounced for the lead at the quarter-mile marker and would not be denied under a sympathetic drive in the closing stages to claim a second pattern score. Gagnoa hails from the family of champions Awaasif (*Snow Knight) and Lammtarra (Nijinsky II).

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☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

LEADER SET FOR CRAVEN The Sangster Family's G2 Royal Lodge S. winner **City Leader (Ire)** (Fasliyev) will reappear in Thursday's G3 banshahouse.com Craven S., connections announced yesterday. The Brian Meehan-trained grey--also runner-up in the G1 Racing Post Trophy--was one of 19 left in the prep over the 2000 Guineas track and trip at yesterday's five-day stage. "We'll know a lot more after the race on Thursday," Ben Sangster told *PA Sport*. "We'll see what ability he's got and what distance he wants--it's a fact-finding mission.



Raven's Pass on Apr. 10
Newmarket photo

He seems in very good form. Jamie Spencer was down at Manton on Thursday morning and partnered him in a nice bit of work over a mile, and he worked well. We're hopeful he's going to give a bold showing. Physically, he's done very well over the winter." As expected, John Gosden has entered Stonerside Stable's **Raven's Pass** (Elusive Quality), while Khalid Abdullah's promising pair of **Confront (GB)** (Nayef) and **Twice Over (GB)** (Observatory) feature from the yards of Sir Michael Stoute and Henry Cecil respectively. Aidan O'Brien has a trio of entries, including Susan Magnier's unraced **Zulu Chief** (Fusaichi Pegasus), a 3/4-brother to Hawk Wing, while Paul Cole has entered Michael Spencer's G3 Somerville Tattersall S. hero **River Proud** (Proud Citizen).

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‘WATSON’ GETTING WOUND UP Peter Chapple-Hyam will put leading G1 2000 Guineas contender **Winker Watson (GB)** (Piccolo {GB}) through his paces in a mile racecourse gallop at Newmarket next week as he prepares for the May 3 mile Classic. Last year's G2 Norfolk S. and G2 July S. winner has yet to race beyond six furlongs, but his trainer is convinced he can stretch out, and he will be looking for vital clues next week. "He's going straight to the Guineas, but he'll go to Newmarket this coming week to gallop on Wednesday or Thursday," the trainer commented. "He's been working well--I haven't put the gun to his head yet, but it's now time. In his races last year, he wanted every yard of the six, and we were going to step up to seven, but circumstances didn't let us. When he works at Newmarket I suppose I'll have a better idea, as I will work him over the full mile." Chapple-Hyam also had news of Five Horses Ltd's Newmarket maiden winner **Cape Amber (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}), who is entered in the May 4 G1 1000 Guineas. "She's a filly I like a lot, but she went wrong last year," he said. "She's working really nicely, but she works like a staying filly. She's in the Guineas and that probably is the plan, although I think really she might be more of an Oaks filly."



Winker Watson
Steve Cargill

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

DEDICATION DIES Haras du Quesnay's Group 1 winner **Dedication (Fr)** (Highest Honor {Fr}--Dissertation {Fr}, by Sillery) died after emergency colic surgery last Monday. The nine-year-old mare had recovered from surgery after foaling an Anabaa colt last month. Bred by Alec and Ghislaine Head, the grey carried their famed colors to victory in the 2002 G1 Prix de la Foret while trained by Criquelette Head-Maarek. Dedication was later campaigned in the U.S. by trainer Christophe Clement, finishing third in the G1 Matriarch S. The following year, she landed the GIII Beaugay H. and ran second in the GIII Jaipur H. She retired with a record of 23-7-6-1 and earnings of \$456,565. Her first foal is a two-year-old filly by El Prado (Ire) named Dedicace. She produced a grey colt by Malibu Moon in 2007.



Dedication (1999-2008)
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Date	Race	Track
Apr. 12	G1 Blue Grass S.	Keeneland
	GII Arkansas Derby	Oaklawn
	GII Comely S.	Aqueduct
	GII Commonwealth S.	Keeneland
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\$350,000 2yo FTFEB 2007

Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$157,200.

Zayat Stables, launched in 2005 by Egyptian entrepreneur Ahmed Zayat, enjoyed its latest graded-stakes victory when **J Be K** (Silver Deputy) stormed home to a five-length tally in the seven-furlong GIII Bay Shore S. on the GI Wood Memorial S. undercard. The speedy son of GSP Major Wager (Valid Wager) was acquired for \$350,000 at the 2007 FTFEB sale.

"He worked in :10 1/5," recalled Sohby Sonbol, vice president of Zayat Stables. "In the first breeze show, the horses weren't working fast. He worked very fast and did it so easy. Physically, he's a very nice horse--a very strong horse. Pedigree-wise, being a son of Silver Deputy, that also appealed to us as he may have some commercial value. He was a horse that hit on all notes. He was our number one pick out of that sale. He was very business like, has an excellent mind, was an excellent physical, and he was fast."

J Be K certainly lived up to expectations in his debut. He achieved **★ "TDN Rising Star" ★** status following a track-record setting performance, completing 5 1/2 furlongs at historic Saratoga Racecourse in 1:03 for trainer Bob Baffert in late August. Put on the shelf for the rest of the season, the dark bay resurfaced for conditioner Steve Asmussen in the Big Easy, and rolled to a five-length first-level allowance victory Feb. 15. Making his first start beyond six furlongs in the Mar. 8 GII Louisiana Derby, J Be K raced with the early pace through easy fractions of :24 and :48, but tired badly to cross the line eighth, beaten 16 1/4 lengths. Although J Be K failed to step up to the plate in his two-turn debut, Sonbol believes his charge should be given another shot to prove himself at longer distances.

"We still think he can carry his speed a distance of ground," he continued. "Our experiment didn't go the way we wanted it to go. The whole point was to go fast early and for him to carry his speed; then everybody has to chase you. We were hoping to go fast early, but he wound up going slower than he ever went in his life. The plan wasn't executed the way we had hoped. Unfortunately, that race doesn't tell me if he's a sprint or a route horse. I know he's a fast horse. For him to get the distance, he has to use his advantage over every other horse--that he has an amazing amount of natural speed. We still believe that he's a horse that can get the distance if he uses his style."

According to Sonbol, J Be K will make his next start in the one-mile GIII Withers S. at the Big A Apr. 26.

In 2006, Bernardini used the Withers as a launching pad to a championship season, including a victory in the second leg of the Triple Crown. Sonbol said that possible targets for J Be K include, the GI Met Mile H. at Belmont May 26 and the GI King's Bishop S. at Saratoga Aug. 23, but also mentioned the possibility of stretching him back out for the GI Haskell H. at Monmouth Aug. 3.

Zayat acquires the majority of its stable from the yearling sales, but has also put plenty of money through the two-year-old sales rings as well. In 2008, Zayat has already purchased no fewer than 13 juveniles for a sum of \$4,095,000.

"We are pretty content with what we bought [at the two-year-old sales]," Sonbol continued. "We have a stock of about 72 two-year-olds this year, around 60 of which we purchased as yearlings. At the two-year-old sales, we look for something we don't have or something that is comparable to what we have. We try to buy as yearlings, but there's always going to be that horse that really shows himself as a two-year-old. You just want to be there and put yourself in the best situation to acquire him."



J Be K rolls in the Bay Shore

Sarah K. Andrew

Zayat approaches buying juveniles differently than yearlings.

"You try to look more at the individual at the two-year-old sales," Sonbol explained. "You see how the horse works and how the physical matches up with them. After that, you have to try and justify the price of the pedigree. At the yearling sales, you try to look for pedigrees and more physicals. At the two-year-old sales, you are looking more for athletes. You end up with some horses that may not have the best pedigrees, but they are pretty athletic horses and horses that can run. We've had success buying two-year-olds and yearlings. The good horses come from everywhere. We've made a commitment to the industry. You've just got to be where they are."

Zayat was passionate about horse racing from an early age, but didn't enter the horse business until 2005. The 45-year-old, who has played his hand in no fewer than seven industries, is best known for his work in the beverage industry, most notably the privatization of Al Ahram Beverages Company, which was later sold to Heineken International after turning into the largest beverage manufacturer and distributor in the Middle East.

"Mr. Zayat hasn't been in the horse racing industry all his life, but has always been a big fan of the game," Sonbol offered. "We've come in from a different industry, tried to adapt our beliefs and philosophy to this industry, and it's worked for us so far. I think the results can speak for themselves. We were among the leading owners last year and we're off to a good start this year and have three candidates for the Derby. We're not in it to just win the Derby. It would be a beautiful race to win. You have to see who belongs where and the whole game is about putting your horses where they have the best chances of winning."

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JAMES MORAN JR. PASSES AWAY Thoroughbred owner and breeder James "Jimmy" Moran Jr. passed away Apr. 9 after a short illness. The son of Brushwood Stable matriarch Elizabeth Moran, he joined his mother in the racing industry in 1980, and acquired the Chesapeake Bay, Maryland, operation Elk Manor Farm in the early 1990s. Horses bred and/or raced by Moran include European champion and MG1SW Les Arcs, MSWs Richetta and White Mountain Boy, SW Irish Osprey and GISP Silver Knockers. "Jimmy was a kind, gentle, brilliant guy," said longtime friend Robert Courtney. "A great father, friend, husband and a fine horseman, he will be sorely missed by many in the racing world." Moran is survived by his wife, Beatrice, daughters Katie and Meghan and son Matthew. His children will continue to operate Elk Manor Farm.

★ KEENELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-KEE, \$56,515, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW2X, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15 1/5, ft.

INFORMED DECISION (f, 3, **Monarchos--Palangana**, by **His Majesty**), a \$150,000 FTKJUL yearling and \$320,000 FTMMAY juvenile, belied debut odds of 26-1 to graduate at first asking at Gulfstream Park Jan. 3, then finished second, but was placed first in a Feb. 2 entry-level allowance test in Hallandale after being struck by a rival's whip. Most recently a tired fourth in the GII Davona Dale S. Mar. 2, the Strawbridge runner was the 6-5 chalk to take her first start over the Polytrack. Away well, Informed Decision raced inside through the opening furlongs before being guided out to the four path approaching the far turn. Taken wider still for the drive, the grey took command under a full head of steam outside the eighth pole and rolled home to score by 6 1/4 lengths over GSP Minewander (Mineshaft). Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$92,957. [Video](#), [sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#)

O-Augustin Stable. B-C Kidder & N Cole (KY).

T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

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1:40p
TVG

2nd-KEE, Alw/Opt. Clm (\$100K), \$58K, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT) **SMOK'N COAL** ([Smoke Glacken](#)), a full brother to six-time GSW Smok'n Frolic, topped the '07 OBSFEB sale on a John Ferguson bid of \$550K and won his first two outs, including the Oct. 21 Grand Slam S. at Belmont. The gray, last seen finishing fourth in the Jack Price Juvenile S. at Calder Nov. 10, makes his debut in Godolphin blue today. **Meal Penalty** ([Distorted Humor](#)) returns to allowance company for the first time since taking a similar event at Keeneland Oct. 14. He was most recently fifth to Crown of Thorns in the GII R.B. Lewis S. at Santa Anita Feb. 2. [brisnet.com pps](#)

2:40p
TVG

4th-KEE, Alw, \$58K, 4yo/up, 1 3/16M Pin Oak Stable's **EQUITABLE** ([A.P. Indy](#)) took a first-level allowance over this turf course last October, then closed his three-year-old campaign with a strong runner-up effort to the talented Inca Cat in Churchill's Commonwealth Turf S. Nov. 11. Trainer Bill Mott is always dangerous with this type of returnee. **Mach Glory** ([Arg](#)) ([Honour and Glory](#)) switches back to the turf for the first time since taking the G1 Estrellas Juvenile in his native country last June. [brisnet.com pps](#)

3:10p
TVG

5th-KEE, Msw, \$50K, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT) Masatake lide's **REVE DE FILLE** ([Storm Cat](#)) is the first filly from European champion and MG1SW Bosra Sham (Woodman). The Orpendale-bred shows a steady series of Palm Meadows works for trainer Graham Motion. **Kip Seville** ([Kipling](#)), a full sister to yesterday's GI Maker's Mark Mile victor Kip Deville, was 11th in her bow over the Fair Grounds turf Feb. 28, but raced deep throughout and deserves another chance. She adds blinkers for this initial Polytrack foray. [brisnet.com pps](#)

3:50p
HRTV

6th-GPX, Msw, \$40K, 3yo, 7f **CARTOUCHE** ([Officer](#)) gets his career started for trainer Leo Azpurua and owner J.J. Balsamo, who gave \$190K for the colt as an EASSEP yearling in 2006. His works are steady for a barn not known for cranking them up at first asking. **Fearless** ([Kingmambo](#)) makes his debut on the main track, but his future may be on the grass, a surface on which his full sister Voodoo Dancer excelled. [brisnet.com pps](#)



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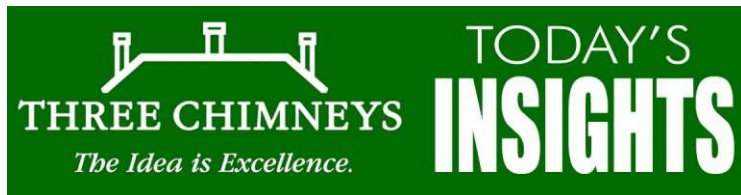
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7th-KEE, \$52,160, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:51 2/5, ft.

SARAHLANE'SDESTINY (f, 4, [Point Given](#)--Sarah Lane's Oates {MSW, \$888,295}, by Sunshine Forever) broke her maiden in an off-the-turfer at Fair Grounds Dec. 31, then placed third in a first-level allowance Jan. 18. Back on the sod in her next two, she finished fifth Feb. 24 and followed with a well-beaten ninth last out Mar. 15. Removing the hood for her first start out of Louisiana, the chestnut settled in sixth, rallied to the front in midstretch and held off Parris Hill (A.P. Indy) to win by a neck. Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-3, \$87,346. O-Glen C Warren. B-Dr Glen Warren (KY). T-Andrew Leggio Jr.

5th-KEE, \$58,000, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 3/16mT, 1:58 2/5, gd.

LADY CARLOCK (f, 4, Chester House--Incha {GB}, by Nashwan), a last-to-first allowance winner at Churchill Nov. 23, opened her four-year-old campaign with a third-place finish over the Gulfstream lawn Jan. 12. Freshened following that effort, she just missed by a head while second at this level at Hallandale Mar. 7. Sent off at 3-1 here, the bay was last of 12 through six furlongs in 1:15.55, but came with a flying finish after circling the field on the turn for home to win it by a half-length. Slightly 3-1 favorite Viva La Flag (Rahy) was second. The victress is a half to Solvig (Caerleon), MGSW, \$800,694, who sold for \$950,000 at the 2006 KEEJAN sale in foal to Smarty Jones, and at that same sale one year later in foal to Afleet Alex for \$750,000. Lifetime Record: 12-3-3-2, \$140,534. O-Bentley Smith Revocable Trust Agreement. B-Bentley L Smith (KY). T-Carl A Nafzger.



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5:00p HRTV 4th-SAX, Msw, \$48K, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT)
PHANTOM WILDCAT ([Forest Wildcat](#)), purchased for \$210K as an FTKJUL yearling, resold for \$500K at the 2007 BESMAR sale. The dark bay must overcome the tricky rail draw for his debut. **Eon ([Fusaichi Pegasus](#)),** a half to the good sprinter Golden Gear and to GI Kentucky Oaks winner Keeper Hill, debuts for owner Arthur Hancock III. The Stone Farm owner bought out his partner, Stonerside Farm, in the mare Fineza (Lypheor {GB}), for \$500,000 carrying this foal in utero at the 2004 KEENOV sale. brisnet.com pps

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6th-KEE, \$50,000, Msw, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16 3/5, ft.

PAPA (g, 3, [Mizzen Mast](#)--Tactical Move {SW, \$103,518}, by Tactical Advantage) began his career with three starts over the Fair Grounds main track this term, placing third Feb. 1, sixth Feb. 23 and fourth Mar. 21. Trying a synthetic surface for the first time here, the \$120,000 KEESEP yearling purchase sat a stalking trip in fourth and fought his way to a neck decision over A Diehl (Aldebaran) at odds of 5-1. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$38,135. O-Mark H Stanley. B-Nellie M Cox (KY). T-Dallas Stewart.

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04-26 \$150,000 Withers-III, Aqu, 3yo, 8f (150)

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★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

2nd-AQU, \$49,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.

RHAPSODY QUEEN (f, 3, [Unbridled's Song](#)--To the Queen {GSP, \$191,335}, by Deputy Minister), a \$350,000 KEESEP yearling purchase, debuted with a well-beaten fifth-place finish going six furlongs over the inner Jan. 9. Stretched to a route over a sloppy oval, she finished seventh, beaten 40 1/4 lengths, behind subsequent GI Ashland S. victress Little Belle Feb. 1. Back on a fast track last time, the 6-1 chance completed the trifecta, 12 3/4 lengths behind the winner Mar. 2. Hustled to the front here by Rajiv Maragh, the Siena Racing colorbearer bounded under the line 3 1/2 lengths clear of Unique Citizen (Proud Citizen). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$36,230. O-Siena Racing Stable. B-Dapple Bloodstock (KY). T-Thomas M Bush.

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-GPX, \$47,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 2/5, fm.

ASHLEY RIVER (f, 3, Deputy Wild Cat--Christie Light {SP}, by Colony Light) closed out her juvenile campaign with a 5 3/4-length maiden win in the Calder sloop Sept. 24. Making her grass debut in a Gulfstream allowance Feb. 1, the bay reported home third, beaten four lengths. She finished eighth, beaten 30 lengths, in Tampa's Suncoast S. Feb. 16, and was sixth in her return to the Gulfstream turf last time Mar. 15. Let go at 13-1 this time, Ashley River led through fractions of :25.14 and :49.73, and drew away to take it by 3 1/4 lengths. My Princess Jess (Stormy Atlantic), the 9-5 favorite, completed the exacta after getting steadied at the start. Joffe's Run (Giant's Causeway) failed to threaten while eighth. Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-2, \$65,300.

O/B-J D Farms (FL). T-David R Brownlee.

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East Report cont.

1st-LRL, \$28,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :54 4/5, ft.
 + **ONEARMEDBANDIT** (f, 2, No Armistice--Court Tour, by Polish Numbers), sent off at 3-1 to win at first asking, was clear through fractions of :23.77 and :48.30 and had 4 1/4 lengths on Fight Like a Tiger (Roar of the Tiger) on the wire. The victress was a \$13,500 FTMOCT yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,960.

O-Hidden Hill Farm. B-David Daniel (MD). T-John J Robb.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Centenerola, f, 3, [Century City \(Ire\)](#). See "Britain."

A Big Sky Brewing, g, 4, Arch--Runalpharun, by Thunder Rumble. Wolverhampton, 4-11, Hcp, 4yo/up, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Braeburn Farm Corp. *\$6,500 wnlg '04 KEENOV.

IN IRELAND:

+ **Sharp Drop**, f, 3, [Stormin Fever](#). See "Ireland."



★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIMA DONNA S., \$50,000, OPX, 4-11, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft.

1--**#PALANKA CITY, 117, f, 3, Carson City--Indian Sunset, by Storm Bird.** (\$60,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-William Stiritz; B-Overbrook Farm (KY); T-Terry Gestes; J-Christopher A Emigh; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-2-1, \$113,000. *Full to Quick Action, MSW & GSP, \$192,130.

2--**My Sweet Valor, 117, f, 3, Vindication--Destined, by Deputy Minister.** (\$250,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL; \$190,000 2yo '07 BESMAR). O-Zayat Stables LLC. \$10,000.

3--**My Heavenly Sign, 117, f, 3, Forest Camp--Winner's Ticket, by Jolie's Halo.** (\$50,000 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$55,000 2yo '07 KEEAPR). O-Cindy Jones & Susan Knoll. \$5,000.

Margins: 4, 1 3/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 0.90, 15.50, 6.20.

Palanka City, third in the Coca Cola Bassinet S. at River Downs Sept. 1, ended her juvenile season with a ninth-place finish in the Kentucky Cup Juvenile Fillies S. at Turfway Sept. 29. She crossed the line third behind Rated Fiesty in the Dixie Belle S. Jan. 26, but was moved up to second through disqualification. The chestnut was a well-beaten fourth in the Feb. 17 Martha Washington S., then bounced back with an Oaklawn allowance score most recently Mar. 2. Back with stakes company here, Palanka City vied for early command and drew clear in the stretch to win going away.

7th-OPX, \$36,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$16,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft.

PURE BABY (f, 3, Pure Prize--Holdthebaby, by Marquetry), who posted a front-running victory over the Arlington turf to break her maiden Sept. 13, returned from a five-month absence to be a weakening fourth in a main-track sprint at this track Feb. 16. An even fifth in a similar event Mar. 29, the homebred was stretching back out to two turns as a 5-1 chance. Up to dispute the early pace, the chestnut poked a head in front after six panels and cruised down the lane to score by 5 1/2 lengths. Perfect Connect (Yonaguska) was second best. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$50,540.

O/B-Norma Lee Stockseth (KY). T-Don Von Hemel.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-SAX, \$58,200, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:47 4/5, fm.

MARZELLINE (IRE) (f, 4, Barathea {Ire}--Juno Marlowe {Ire}, by Danehill), a half-sister to Fairmile (GB) (Spectrum {Ire}), SP-GB, \$381,996, concluded her stint in England with a third in a Leicester conditions race Oct. 16 for trainer Walter Swinburn. A tepid 3-1 choice in her U.S. bow going a mile over this course Mar. 16, the Irish-bred rallied to be third, and was bet down to 6-5 here. The chestnut was handily placed in third, took over in the lane and was hand-ridden to a two-length success over Darlling Mambo (Broad Brush). Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-2, \$63,049.

O-Peter Harris. B-Pendley Farm (IRE). T-Ben D A Cecil.

1st-SAX, \$48,800, Msw, 2yo, 2f (AWT), :21, ft.

+ **GOT TOBE RIO (f, 2, Rio Verde--Cause I'm Tricky, by Nineelevn)** broke fourth from the six hole, was a half-length behind El Navigante (Illinois Storm) through an eighth in :10.85 and fought past that rival to secure a half-length victory at odds of 4-1. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$28,080.

O-John Costello, Richard London & Terry C Lovinger. B-Terry C Lovingier (CA). T-Walther Solis.

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SoCalifornia Report cont.

6th-SAX, \$49,200, Msw, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15 2/5, ft.

+ TAMERIN (f, 3, Chief Seattle--Shirley Temper {MSP, \$114,740}, by Miswaki), debuting with Lasix, stayed with the early leader Sayit (Zavata) from second through a :45.40 half mile, and fought her way past that one to secure a one-length victory at odds of 8-1. The victress was a \$19,000 TEXAUG yearling and an \$80,000 OBSMAR juvenile. Indy Blaze (A.P. Indy) finished fourth. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$28,800. O-J Michele Kuelbs. B-DJR Thoroughbreds (KY). T-Mike R Mitchell.

First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, April 12

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

OMEGA CODE (Elusive Quality), Hartley, 96/0/0
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Omega Glory, \$5K EAS SEP yrl, 9-2
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Prideofcorey, \$1K EAS SEP yrl, 4-1

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Saturday, April 12

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

A. P. DELTA (A.P. Indy), 37/3/1
 7-EVD, Alw, 6f, Biduadeau, \$14K LOU OCT yrl, 3-1
ALDEBARAN (Mr. Prospector), Darby Dan, \$50K, 150/16/1
 7-OP, Stk, 1m, Buddy's Bid, \$125K FTK JUL yrl
 8-OP, Aoc, 1 1/16m, C Alldestars, \$50K KEE APR 2yo
 10-OP, Stk, 1m, Sweet Redeemer, \$75K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
AMERICAN SPIRIT (Storm Boot), Double Diamond, \$2K, 21/1/1
 4-SPL, Stk, 1 1/8m, Ablaze With Spirit, 12-1
AUTHENTICATE (Gone West), Le Mesa, \$3K, 110/13/0
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, Loving Warrior, \$2K KEE JAN yrl, 9-2
CACTUS RIDGE (Hennessy), Walmac, \$7K, 138/21/1
 5-KEE, Msw, 7f, My Little Dragon, \$27K OBS MAR 2yo, 12-1
COWBOY CARSON (Carson City), 8/1/0
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Cowboysandindians, 6-1
D'WILDCAT (Forest Wildcat), Vinery, \$10K, 68/9/2
 7-WO, Msw, 5f, Queen of All Cats, \$9K CAN SEP yrl, 12-1
 7-WO, Msw, 5f, +Wild D' Ice, 4-1
EARLY FLYER (Gilded Time), Valor, 63/9/1
 9-WRD, Msw, 6f, +Im So Cranky, \$3K HER JAN 2yo, 15-1
EMPIRE MAKER (Unbridled), Juddmonte, \$100K, 185/10/3
 5-KEE, Msw, 7f, Temper Temper, 9-2
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, Classic Empire, \$190K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

EQUALITY (Mt. Livermore), Dickinson, \$2K, 48/9/1
 10-GP, Stk, 1 3/16m, Bipolar Express, \$14K MIC AUG yrl, 20-1
ESCRITO (Cox's Ridge), 15/1/0
 10-LS, Msw, 1mT, Escritos Trickster, 20-1
FULL MANDATE (A.P. Indy), Hartley, 173/20/1
 3-BM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Divine Legacy, \$170K KEE NOV wnl
GHOSTLY MINISTER (Deputy Minister), Buckstud, \$3K, 19/1/1
 3-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Bumpass, \$950 CTN OCT yrl, 15-1
GREATNESS (Mr. Prospector), Adena South, \$5K, 83/10/0
 6-WO, Stk, 6f, Blizzard Buddy Ben, 4-1
 8-HAW, Aoc, 6f, Little Somethin, \$20K OBS APR 2yo, 9-2
HARLAN'S HOLIDAY (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 169/32/5
 7-KEE, Alw, 1 1/16m, Cardinal Hill, \$135K EAS MAY 2yo, 15-1
 2-OP, Msw, 1m, Wild Adventure, \$87K OBS APR 2yo
HOLD THAT TIGER (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$15K, 250/38/2
 6-GP, Msw, 7f, Tiger Bud, 20-1
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Ferentz, \$38K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
 5-SA, Msw, 1 1/8mT, Catastaire, \$130K KEE APR 2yo
HOOK AND LADDER (Dixieland Band), Sequel NY, \$10K, 100/14/2
 9-KEE, Stk, 1 1/8m, Big Truck, \$90K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1
KAFWAIN (Cherokee Run), Darley, \$10K, 179/19/4
 10-OP, Stk, 1m, Rasierra, \$32K OBS APR 2yo, 8-1
 8-AQU, Alw, 6f, Koufax Curve, \$355K EAS MAY 2yo
KENTUCKY HAROLD (Mt. Livermore), 3/0/0
 11-BEU, Stk, 6f, Polly Pepperstone, 20-1
MACHO UNO (Holy Bull), Adena South, \$15K, 136/19/2
 2-KEE, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Macho Again, \$150K OBS FEB 2yo, 7-2
MAYAKOVSKY (Matty G), Mill Creek, \$3K, 56/3/0
 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Mr. Blue Grey, \$30K OBS APR 2yo
MILWAUKEE BREW (Wild Again), Adena South, \$15K, 162/24/0
 7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Mascara, \$20K ADS SPR 2yo, 3-1
MINESHAFT (A.P. Indy), Lane's End, \$100K, 151/13/2
 5-KEE, Msw, 7f, +Embellish, \$300K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1
 9-KEE, Stk, 1 1/8m, Miner's Claim, \$175K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
 9-KEE, Stk, 1 1/8m, Cool Coal Man, \$850K FTF FEB 2yo, 4-1
MY HOME PHONE (Phone Trick), 9/0/0
 9-WRD, Msw, 6f, Duchess of Mayhem, 20-1
NAJLAN (Runaway Groom), Hopewell, \$8K, 129/15/0
 6-WRD, Msw, 6f, +Tappinforadance, 10-1
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Silver Success, \$390K FTF FEB 2yo, 5-1
PARKER'S STORM CAT (Storm Cat), Country Life, \$3K, 116/6/0
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +A Bit Charmed, \$1,000 EAS DEC yrl, 8-1
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Inside the Parker, \$2K EAS SEP yrl, 10-1
PROUD CITIZEN (Gone West), Airdrie, \$13K, 210/24/3
 10-OP, Stk, 1m, Eagle's Song, \$70K FTK JUL yrl, 6-1
 7-KEE, Alw, 1 1/16m, Proud Kentuckian, \$14K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
PURE PRECISION (Montbrook), Lou-Roe, 87/12/0
 9-EVD, Stk, 5 1/2f, Purely Class, \$9K OBS WIN yrl, 15-1
REPENT (Louis Quatorze), Vinery Florida, \$5K, 158/29/5
 8-GP, Aoc, 1m, I've Repented, \$32K OBS MAR 2yo, 15-1
 10-GP, Stk, 1 3/16m, Famous Patriot, \$67K OBS APR 2yo, 3-1
 8-GP, Aoc, 1m, Sinners Repent, \$18K OBS APR 2yo, 12-1
RICH DEEDS (Alydeed), Piece of the Rock, 12/1/1
 1-LRL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Rich Discovery, 12-1
SEEKING DAYLIGHT (Seeking the Gold), MD Stln, \$7K, 55/9/0
 3-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Little Bobber, \$9K EAS DEC wnl, 4-1
SKIP TO THE STONE (Skip Trial), Lou-Roe, \$3K, 57/1/0
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, +My Heart Skips, \$10K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1
SKY MESA (Pulpit), Three Chimneys, \$30K, 177/23/1
 2-KEE, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Processor's Turf, \$425K FTF FEB 2yo, 4-1
 5-KEE, Msw, 7f, Skylighter, 5-2
SLIGO BAY (IRE) (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 128/14/1
 9-WO, Alw, 7f, Dylan's Choice, \$9K OBS JUN 2yo, 20-1



Rookies cont.

TRUST N LUCK (Montbrook), Vinery, \$9K, 118/13/1
 10-LS, Msw, 1mT, Luck of the Bluff, \$110K KEE JAN yrl, 15-1
VALID N BOLD (Valid Appeal), 24/0/0
 7-WO, Msw, 5f, +Vibold, 15-1
VAN NISTELROOY (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$8K, 199/35/6
 7-SA, Msw, 1m, Cloudbreaker, \$4K BAR OCT yrl
 6-LS, Alw, 5 1/2f, Fleetful Cat, \$19K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
 9-AQU, Stk, 1m, Elusive Lady, \$90K KEE SEP yrl
VINDICATION (Seattle Slew), Hill 'n' Dale, \$50K, 229/26/1
 3-KEE, Msw, 7f, Trumpet Call, \$310K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
 7-OP, Stk, 1m, Ferragamo, \$80K KEE SEP yrl
 5-KEE, Msw, 7f, Choice Play, \$160K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
VOLPONI (Cryptoclearance), Hopewell, 92/14/3
 7-OP, Stk, 1m, Poni Colada, \$20K KEE SEP yrl
YANKEE GENTLEMAN (Storm Cat), Airdrie, \$10K, 114/23/2
 2-KEE, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Stormin Yank, \$27K OBS MAR 2yo, 6-1
 6-OP, Msw, 1 1/16m, Numismatist, \$40K BAR MAR 2yo
 11-OP, Stk, 1 1/8m, Golden Yank, 15-1



★ BRITAIN ★

Saturday, Kempton, post time: 2:45 p.m.

MASAKA S.-Listed, £26,000, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	5	Comeback Queen (GB)	Nayef	Kirk
2	1	Elizabeth Swann (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	Hannon
3	3	Frivolous (Ire)	Green Desert	Gosden
4	10	Honky Tonk Sally (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Bell
5	8	Jazz Jam (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Cole
6	2	Jeninsky	Stravinsky	McBride
7	7	Kay Es Jay (Fr)	Xaar (GB)	B Hills
8	6	Lady Aquitaine	El Prado (Ire)	Meehan
9	9	Love of Dubai	More than Ready	C Brittain
10	4	Madame Hoi (Ire)	Hawk Wing	Channon

All carry 124 pounds.

Saturday, Kempton, post time: 3:20 p.m.

EASTER S.-Listed, £26,000, 3yo, c/g, 1m (AWT)

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	1	Eastern Gift (GB)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Hannon
2	8	Fool's Wildcat	Forest Wildcat	Meehan
3	5	Gaspar van Wittel	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Callaghan
4	6	Geezers Colours (GB)	Fraam (GB)	Burke
5	3	Il Warrd (Ire)	Pivotal (GB)	Tregoning
6	4	Last of the Line (GB)	Efio (GB)	H Dunlop
7	7	Latin Lad (GB)	Hernando (Fr)	Hannon
8	2	Speedy Dollar	Dixie Union	M Jarvis

All carry 124 pounds.

Yesterday's Results:

Doncaster, 5.35, Mdn, £7,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:31.85, gd.
CENTENEROLA (f, 3, **Century City {Ire}**--Lady Angharad {Ire} {SW-GB & MSP-US, \$188,233}, by Tenby {GB}), third on her sophomore bow over this course and distance 13 days ago, was sent off the 11-4 second choice. The bay filly raced under restraint behind the early leaders before challenging wide inside the final quarter. In front before the furlong marker, the \$16,000 KEENOV weanling and €35,000 GOFORB yearling drew away to record a convincing nine-length success. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, £5,134. O-Paul Moulton; B-Arbaway Ventures; T-Barry Hills.
Doncaster, 1.40, Mdn, £6,250, 3yo, 7fT, 1:30.29, gd.
ROYALIST (IRE) (c, 3, **King's Best--Nebras {GB}**, by **Green Desert**), fifth in a maiden at Glorious Goodwood on his sole start, pulled hard close to the early pace before striding to the fore passing halfway. Quickening away from his overmatched rivals inside the final quarter, the 2-1 choice crossed the line 3 3/4 lengths clear of Alwaabel (GB) (Green Desert). He was a €425,000 GOFORB yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,047. O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Irish Nat'l Stud; T-Michael Jarvis.



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SHORT ROUTE, 6, Mud Route--Short Call, by Phone Trick
 Foal born Feb. 21, a filly by Tiznow.
 Will be bred back to Tiznow.
 Owned by Bill Herrick.
 Boarded at Cobra Farm.
 Accomplishments: GSW of \$202,935.

FRENCH GRAND, 10, French Deputy--Flag Country, by Miswaki
 Foal born Feb. 22, a colt by Rock Hard Ten.
 Will be bred back to Pulpit.
 Owned by Mercedes Stables LLC.
 Boarded at Diamond A Farm.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Kat Nan Do (Formal Gold), SW.

TAKE THE CAKE, 9, Fly So Free--Lil Merry Sunshine, by Chief's Crown
 Foal born Feb. 23, a filly by Vindication.
 Will be bred back to Hard Spun.
 Owned by Elizabeth Jones Valando.
 Boarded at Three Chimneys Farm.
 Accomplishments: GSW & GISP, \$256,333.



Musselburgh, 2.00, Mdn, £6,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.85, gd/sf.
 + **POLISH PRIDE (GB) (f, 2, Polish Precedent--Purple Tiger {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest)** was rushed from the gate to chase the leaders in the early stages of this first at-bat. Pushed along approaching the two pole, the 11-1 was driven out to deny Count Almaviva (Rossini) by a neck in the dying strides. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,886.
 O/T-Mel Brittain; B-Darley.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Saint-Cloud, 2.50, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:51.10, hy.
KAYABA (GB) (f, 3, Anabaa--Senkaya {Fr}, by Valanour {Ire}), a debut winner on Deauville's all-weather surface Mar. 20, shadowed the leaders in fourth from the break in this second go. Easing to the front with 500 meters remaining, the 41-10 chance poached a decisive two-length advantage inside the final quarter mile and maintained that buffer to the line to comfortably best Blue Ciel (Fr) (Oasis Dream {GB}). Ballerina Blue (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}) raced off the pace and closed well in the straight to finish third. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €28,000.
 O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.

Saint-Cloud, 2.20, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:48.10, hy.
TRINCOT (FR) (c, 3, Peintre Celebre--Royal Lights {Fr}, by Royal Academy), who broke through at Compiegne last time Mar. 25, raced in fourth in this contest. Making smooth headway in the straight, the 4-1 chance challenged at the 300-meters pole and exhibited a smart turn of foot from there to account for Cool Star (Fr) (Starborough {GB}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Dunkerque (Fr) (Highest Honor {Fr})--a full sister to the ill-fated Dedication (Fr)--raced in second for much of the contest, but was outgunned from the eighth pole and lost second on the line. Lifetime Record: 8 starts, 2 wins, 6 places, €52,000.
 O/B-Ecurie Bader; T-Philippe Demercastel.

Saint-Cloud, 1.50, Mdn, €22,000, 2yo, 4 1/2fT, :52.90, hy.
CAPARROSO (FR) (f, 2, Sin Kiang {Fr}--Lourinha {Fr}, by Loup Solitaire), runner-up over course and distance on debut Mar. 24, broke sharply and took immediate control. Safely ahead at the eighth pole, the 4-5 choice cruised further clear in the closing stages to register an impressive six-length win from Miguelight (Fr) (Divine Light {Jpn}). Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €15,400.
 O-Steeve Berland; B-Christian Berland; T-Thierry Lemer.

Bordeaux-le-Bouscat, 2.05, Mdn, €14,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.17, vsf.
 + **KOKAWANGO (FR) (c, 2, Okawango--Matakana {Fr}, by Green Tune)** bullied his way to the front during the opening skirmishes of this career bow. Pushed along when pressed approaching the final furlong, the 53-10 chance kept on well in the latter stages to comfortably hold Arakawa (Fr) (Indian Rocket {GB}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €7,000.
 O-Jean-Denis Salvvert & Michel Roussel; B-Jean-Denis Salvvert; T-Michel Roussel.

Bordeaux-le-Bouscat, 3.35, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, f, 1 3/16mT, 2:11.86, vsf.
BOCASTAR (FR) (f, 3, Kaldounevees {Fr}--Bocanegra {Fr}, by Night Shift) enjoyed crowd confidence for this coming back from a debut third at Toulouse Mar. 3. Settled in the wake of the leading pair from flagfall, the 6-4 favorite eased to the front with 300 meters to go and was ridden out inside the closing panel to withstand the late rally of Karttiskeya (Fr) (Kouroun {Fr}) by 3/4 of a length. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €9,100.
 O-Exors of the Late Baron Guy de Rothschild; B-Baron Guy de Rothschild; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

Bordeaux-le-Bouscat, 2.35, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 3/16mT, 2:10.13, vsf.
BLIND SHAFT (FR) (c, 3, Linamix {Fr}--Mysterious Guest {Fr}, by Baratheas {Ire}) went off as the 9-10 pick for this turf bow coming back from a debut second on the Deauville sand Mar. 7. Leading after the initial strides, the grey colt cruised clear approaching the final furlong and geared down inside the last 150 meters to best Time to Go (Fr) (High Chaparral {Ire}) by a facile four lengths. The winner, a €160,000 DEAAUG yearling, is full brother to Mysterious Lina (Fr), SW & GSP-Fr, \$115,895; and a half to Mysterious Peintre (Fr) (Peintre Celebre), SW-US & SP-Fr, \$202,446. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €11,400.
 O-Noel Forgeard; B-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

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Yesterday's Results:

Dundalk, 6.40, Mdn, €12,500, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:14.40, stn.
 + **SHARP DROP (f, 3, Stormin Fever--Precipice, by Gulch)**, produced by a half-sister to owner/breeder Robert Evans's MGISW Sewickley (Star de Naskra) and GISW Shared Interest (Pleasant Colony), was let go at 4-1 as the second favorite. The bay showed speed to race close to the early pace. Switched inside for her run inside the final eighth, the homebred inhaled Slam Dunk (Grand Slam) in the final strides to register a head success. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,637.
 O/B-R S Evans; T-John Oxx.



Irish Report cont.

Dundalk, 7.40, Mdn, €12,500, 3-4yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:41.47, stn.

+ **ZAFAYRA (IRE) (f, 3, Nayef--Zafayana {Ire}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire})**, sent off at 9-2, broke well and shadowed the early leader before taking over with a quarter mile remaining. Pushed out to assert, the Aga Khan homebred forged a 1 3/4-length margin over Shy Smile (Ire) (Peintre Celebre) at the line. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,637.

O-His Highness the Aga Khan; B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-John Oxx.

 **SOUTH AMERICA** 

COOLMORE SHUTTLING TRIO TO ARGENTINA

Ashford stallions **Giant's Causeway** (Storm Cat) and **Johannesburg** (Hennessy) will shuttle to Argentina's Haras La Mission for the upcoming Southern Hemisphere breeding season, Coolmore officials confirmed yesterday. Giant's Causeway had previously shuttled to Australia, but remained in Kentucky the past two winters. Johannesburg, whose oldest progeny are four, travelled to Coolmore's Jerry's Plains property from 2003, but returned to the U.S. in mid-September last year after covering only 20 mares due to the EI outbreak. Johannesburg's sire Hennessy died of an apparent heart attack at La Mission last year. The pair will be joined Coolmore's G1 2000 Guineas winner **Footstepsinthesand (Ire)** (Giant's Causeway), who stood at Coolmore Australia in 2005 and 2006.

GROUP WINNER BY U.S. SIRE:

Indian Haven (Arg), c, 3, **Bernstein**--Indian Passion (Arg), by Ahmad (Arg). Argentina, Palermo, 4-11, Clasico Benito Villanueva-G2, 1600m, 1:33.98. O/B-San Jose Del Socorro; T-Juan C Maldotti. Lifetime Record: MGSW-Arg, 8-5-2-0.

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LADY MAIL (IRE), 14, Pursuit of Love (GB)--Wizardry (Ire), by Shirley Heights (GB)
 Foal born Feb. 24, a filly by Minister Eric.
 Will be bred back to Attila's Storm.
 Owned by R D Hubbard.
 Boarded at Crystal Springs Farm.
 Accomplishments: MSW.



AUSTRALASIA



HKBC BUY INTO ALIGN Peter Yip, co-founder of the Hong Kong Breeders' Club and part-owner of Highview Stud near Hamilton in New Zealand, has announced the club has purchased a one-third interest in the young stallion **Align (Aus)** (Night Shift). The chestnut reigned as Australia's champion juvenile of 1998/99. The 11-year-old, sire of nine stakes performers from three crops including Group 1 winners Nightlign (NZ) and Fully Fledged (NZ), had been the subject of significant interest by European interests when Yip entered the picture, according to Highview manager Brent Gillovic. "He was on the verge of being sold, and then Peter Yip came in with an offer and, as a result, the horse is staying in New Zealand," Gillovic said. Last season, the club acquired a significant share of **Towkay (Aus)** (Last Tycoon {Ire}). That stallion has been represented by Group 1 winner Special Mission (NZ) as well as Happy Owner (NZ), winner of the G1 Levin Classic and third in the G1 HK Classic Mile, as well as top Hong Kong performer Armada (NZ). The club also owns another Highview Stud-based stallion, Danroad (Aus), and has interests in Australian-based sires including Starcraft (NZ), Lucky Owners (NZ), Danbird (Aus) and God's Own (Aus).



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CHINESE DRAGON ARRIVES AT GOODWOOD

Graded stakes winner **Chinese Dragon** (Stravinsky--Fabulous Fairy, by Alydar) arrived at Goodwood Stud in New Zealand's Central District this week to begin his breeding career. "He has settled in well and is proving to be a lovely, quiet type," said Rex Fell, who recently established Goodwood along with his son William. Fell sourced the bay in conjunction with New Zealand Bloodstock Ltd. A foal of 2002, Chinese Dragon captured seven of 13 career starts, including the GII San Francisco Mile S., and also finished third by a neck in the GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile in 2006. "He is a strong, early-maturing type of horse with plenty of presence and scope," Fell added. "Standing at 16.1 hands with a classic head and shoulder, he has a fantastic temperament and was the stable pet when in training. He was an honest and genuine racehorse winning over six furlongs to a mile, exclusively on grass. He's the perfect type for Australasian racing, running mostly from the back with an explosive turn of foot, but could race handy when required." Hailing from the famed Joel family of Fairy Footsteps (GB) and Desert Prince (Ire), Chinese Dragon will command a fee of NZ\$6,500.



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Australasian Report cont.

MCGAURAN NAMED TBA CEO Former Federal Agriculture Minister Peter McGauran, who was instrumental in developing and implementing the A\$234-million Equine Influenza Assistance Package for the racing industry following the outbreak in August last year, has been appointed chief executive of Thoroughbred Breeders Australia Limited (TBA). TBA President John Messara said, "Mr. McGauran can make a significant contribution to the administration and further growth of our industry," and added that the appointment "caps off a transition for the association, after its alignment with Aushorse, into a powerful, united administrative and marketing arm of the Australian Thoroughbred Industry". Messara's statement continued, "Mr. McGauran's role will be to promote the Australian horse and recruit new investment into the Australian Thoroughbred Industry." However, the appointment has left a sour taste in the mouths of other equestrian bodies who have said they were overlooked during the EI pandemic. Queensland Performance and Pleasure Horse Association president Peter Toft told *The Australian* that the appointment was "grossly inappropriate" after the former government awarded greater assistance to the racing industry and vaccinated its horses before other performance and pleasure horses. "McGauran did a pathetic job as far as we are concerned," he said. "The majority of our section of the industry would see this as a backhander deal. The racing and breeding parts of the industry had the restrictions on their movements relaxed a lot quicker than ours, and they were vaccinated first," he said. Vaccinations were initially directed only at racehorses, rather than all horses in "buffer" zones.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA**

STAKES RESULTS:

FIFTH SEASON S., \$100,000, OPX, 4-11, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5, ft.

- 1--**#PROM SHOES, 117, c, 4, [Include](#)--Pink Shoes (MSW, \$121,877), by Phone Trick.** (\$50,000 yrl '05 KEESEP). O-Patricia B Blass; B-Patricia Blass & David Harris (KY); T-William H Fires; J-C A Emigh; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 18-4-4-1, \$233,536. *1/2 to Wildcat Shoes (Forest Wildcat), MSW, \$352,512; Isabell's Shoes (King of Kings {Ire}), SW. **Werk Nick Rating: B.** [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#)
 - 2--**Encaustic, 115, c, 4, Broad Brush--Illeria, by Stop the Music.** \$20,000.
 - 3--**Sumac, 117, c, 4, Crafty Prospector--Dynamiss, by Dynaformer.** \$10,000.
- Margins: NK, 3, 1. Odds: 10.60, 8.60, 31.50.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-SAX, \$63,596, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2X, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 1:59 3/5, fm.

UFFIZI (g, 5, [El Prado {Ire}](#)--Magic Melody, by Gulch) Lifetime Record: 23-5-4-3, \$214,109. O-Bongo Racing Stable & Capen. B-Gauchos Ltd (KY). T-Mike R Mitchell. *\$100,000 wlng '03 KEENOV.

8th-WOX, \$63,210, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (AWT), :57 4/5, ft.

NATURAL MYSTIC (f, 4, Bold Executive--Stutz Classic, by Regal Classic) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$75,859. O-Cudney Stables & Kingview Farms. B-Kingview Farms & Rob Cudney (ON). T-Catherine Day Phillips. *1/2 to Invitational (Peaks and Valleys), SW, \$211,719.

8th-AQU, \$51,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 2/5, ft.

MY FAIR EL (f, 4, Three Wonders--Starinthemeadow, by Meadowlake) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-1, \$85,190. O-Sanford J Goldfarb. B-Hidden Point Farm Inc (FL). T-Richard E Dutrow Jr. *\$67,000 wlng '04 OBSOCT; \$135,000 yrl '05 FTKJUL.

4th-AQU, \$49,000, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 2/5, fm.

AKEBONO (g, 4, [Sky Classic](#)--Tsuyu, by Rahy) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$98,940. O-Barry K Schwartz. B-Stonewall Farm (NY). T-Michael E Hushion.

11th-OPX, \$38,000, C, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.

SILVER TRIPPI (f, 4, Trippi--Picabo Silver, by Gold Meridian) Lifetime Record: 14-7-5-2, \$118,130. O-Windy Spa Racing Stable LLC, Bobby Robertson & James White IV. B-Centaur Farms Inc (FL). T-Save Hobby.

3rd-HAW, \$37,952, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000-\$35,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:48, ft.

CALL THE KITTY (f, 4, [Langfuhr](#)--Hello Kitty Kitty, by Tale of the Cat) Lifetime Record: GSP, 23-4-1-2, \$125,878. O-Dolphus Morrison. B-Dede McGehee DVM (KY). T-Lon Wiggins. *\$25,000 yrl '05 FTKJUL.

8th-LRL, \$35,280, C, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:23 4/5, ft.

MAGICAL GEM (g, 7, Clever Trick--Gemstone, by Graustark) Lifetime Record: SW, 51-10-6-8, \$309,393. O-Wade D Glosser. B-Preston I Moffett & Stephanie Moffett-Litz (MD). T-Scott A Lake. *\$20,000 wlng '01 FTMDEC. **1/2 to Jove Stone (Northern Jove), MSW, \$306,772; and Clever Gem (Clever Trick), MSW, \$307,118.

4th-HAW, \$28,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$40,000), NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

SHADOWDANCING (c, 3, Montbrook--Deputy's Mistress, by Deputy Minister) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$47,120. O-Robert E & Nancy J Bartels. B-Ocala Stud Farm (FL). T-Terrel Gore. *\$200,000 2yo '07 OBSFEB. **1/2 to Throwthebookatem (Notebook), GSW, \$220,291.



9th-LSX, \$26,190, 4-10, NW2X, 3yo, 1m (off turf), 1:40 4/5, ft.

BULLET BREW (g, 3, Milwaukee Brew--Worthy of Silver {SP}, by Silver Ghost) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$36,600. O-Bob Zollars & Mark Wagner. B-Adena Springs (FL). T-Steven M Asmussen. *\$53,000 2yo '07 ADNMAR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

French Chime, f, 3, Chimes Band--French Flare (MSP), by French Deputy. SUN, 4-11, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5. B-Pierre J & Leslie Amestoy (NM).

Cajun Tribute, c, 3, Gold Tribute--I Told You So (SP), by Plain Dealing. EVD, 4-10, 5f, :58 3/5. B-J Adcock (LA). *\$15,000 yrl '06 LOUOCT. **1/2 to Leesa Lee (Leestown), MSW, \$360,771.

My Friend Nev, g, 3, Matty G--Her Majesty Rose, by Magesterial. HAW, 4-11, 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Loch Lea Farm Inc (KY). *\$31,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

South Beach Luv, f, 3, Sligo Bay (Ire)--Goodbye My Luv, by Gone West. KEE, 4-11, (C), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45 4/5. B-Mr & Mrs Philip Maas (KY).

No Other Tone, f, 3, Touch Tone--No Other Name (SW, \$135,685), by Honour and Glory. LSX, 4-10, (S), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Tom Durant (TX).

Lord Snooty (Ire), c, 3, Traditionally--Actualite (GB), by Polish Precedent. LRL, 4-11, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 2/5. B-Keatly Overseas Ltd (IRE). *42,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT. **1/2 to Shamrock City (Ire) (Rock City {Ire}), SW-Eng.

Mountain Stag, g, 4, Running Stag--My Valley Girl (MSP), by Friendly Lover. OPX, 4-11, (C), 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Adena Springs (ON). *\$40,000 2yo '06 ADNMAR.

Beau Smoke, c, 4, Smoke Glacken--Beau Blush (MSW & GSP, \$222,088), by Rahy. SAX, 4-11, (C), 6f (AWT), 1:08 3/5. B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton (KY). *\$170,000 yrl '05 FTKJUL; \$47,000 HRA '07 BESNOV.

Borobudur, h, 5, Kingmambo--Chimes of Freedom (G1SW-Eng & Ire, \$503,431), by Private Account. KEE, 4-11, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44. B-Flaxman Holdings Ltd. (KY). *\$20,000 HRA '08 KEEJAN. **1/2 to Tomisue's Indy (A.P. Indy), SW, \$199,703; Good Journey (Nureyev), GISW, \$1,722,965; and 3/4 to Aldebaran (Mr. Prospector), Ch. Sprinter, MGISW-US & GSP-Eng, \$1,739,127; and Sea of Showers (Seattle Slew), GSW-US & SP-Fr, \$161,494.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNER BY U.S. SIRE:

Linda Premio (Arg), c, 3, Easing Along--Sarialinda (Arg), by Mat-Boy (Arg). Argentina, Palermo, 4-11, Alw, 1000m, :56.85. O-El Pilon; B-Jose Maria Mayer; T-Juan M Dulom. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0. *Won by 3 lengths.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lady Star (Ger), f, 3, Acambaro (Ger)--La Vega (Ger), by Turfkönig (Ger). Pisa, Italy, 4-10, Mdn, 3yo, 7 1/2fT. B-Walter Mahler. *4,000 yrl '06 BBAOCT.

The Oil Magnate (GB), g, 3, Dr Fong--Bob's Princess (GB), by Bob's Return (Ire). Doncaster, Britain, 4-11, Mdn, 3yo, 7fT. B-Wheelersland Stud. *24,000gns yrl '06 DONSEP.

Spin Again (Ire), c, 3, Intikhab--Queen of the May (Ire), by Nicolotte (GB). Wolverhampton, Britain, 4-11, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 216yds (AWT). B-Barry Lyons. *€9,500 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; 28,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

Tajweed (Ire), g, 3, Pivotal (GB)--Mannakea, by Fairy King. Musselburgh, Britain, 4-11, Mdn, 2yo, 1 1/8mT. B-Kilboy Estate. *110,000gns wnlg '05 TATDEC.

Perks (Ire), g, 3, Selkirk--Green Charter (GB), by Green Desert. Doncaster, Britain, 4-11, Hcp, 3yo, 1mT. B-Chess Racing Ab.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRE:

Silent But Deadly (Aus), f, 2, Choisir (Aus)--Silent Smytzer (Aus), by Rory's Jester (Aus). Canterbury (Sydney), 4-9, Hcp, 2yo, 5 1/2fT. B-Emily Krstina (Aust) Pty Ltd.

Prince de Galles (Aus), g, 3, Anabaa--Tahnee (Aus), by Lake Coniston (Ire). Canterbury (Sydney), 4-9, Hcp, 3yo, 1 3/16mT. B-I V & Mrs A Millard.

Sixteen Carat (Aus), f, 3, Commands (Aus)--In Vain (NZ), by Kaapstad (NZ). Canterbury (Sydney), 4-9, Hcp, 3yo, f, 6f 55ydsT. B-J Ingham.

Prima Nova (Aus), f, 3, Danehill Dancer (Ire)--Bonanova (NZ), by Star Way (GB). Canterbury (Sydney), 4-9, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7f 165ydsT. B-Tyreel Thoroughbreds.

Mr. Ultraspeed (Arg), c, 4, Numerous--Ultraspeed (Arg), by Equalize. Argentina, Palermo, 4-11, Mdn, 1400m, 1:23.88. O-Rubio B; B-Haras Firmamento; T-Juan J Etchechoury. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1. *Won by 6 lengths.

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CRAZY ENSIGN (ARG), 12, Firery Ensign--Crazy Fitz (Arg), by Fitzcarraldo (Arg)
 Foal born Feb. 27, a colt by Perfect Soul (Ire). Will be bred back to Perfect Soul (Ire). Owned by Charles Fipke. Boarded at Darby Dan Farm. Accomplishments: GSW & MGISP-US, MG1SW-Arg, \$432,297-US.