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**HEADLINE
NEWS**

COMMUNIQUE BEWITCHING AT KEENELAND

Four-year-old **Communique** (Smart Strike) needed all of the 1 1/2-mile distance in yesterday's GIII Bewitch S. at Keeneland to record her first career graded stakes victory. An unhurried eighth through early splits of :25.25, :49.84, 1:14.78 and 1:39.56, the bay saved ground and was able to close on leading **Tejida** (Rahy) with a half mile left to run and bounded to the front in the final strides to best her rival by a half-



Trackphotographer

length. The final time of 2:28 4/5 was seventeen-hundredths of a second slower than the course record. **Rising Cross** (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}) ran an even race throughout to be third. "When I started my way through the field and when we turned for home, I had one left to get by [Tejida]," explained winning rider Garrett Gomez. "When I showed her some daylight, she did what she's supposed to do and she did it nicely for us." *cont. p3*

Thursday, Keeneland

GREY GOOSE BEWITCH S.-GIII, \$150,000, KEE, 4-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT, 2:28 4/5, fm.

1--#**@COMMUNIQUE**, 118, f, 4, by **Smart Strike**

1st Dam: **Martinique**, by **Pleasant Colony**

2nd Dam: **Ballet de France**, by **Northern Dancer**

3rd Dam: **Fabulous Native**, by ***Le Fabuleux**

O/B-G Watts Humphrey Jr (KY); T-George R Arnold II;

J-Garrett K Gomez; \$93,000. Lifetime Record:

13-3-3-2, \$265,164. **Werk Nick Rating: A++**

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2--**Tejida**, 118, m, 5, Rahy--Batique, by Storm Cat.

O/B-Helen K Groves Revocable Trust (KY); T-Michael R Matz; \$30,000.

3--**Rising Cross** (GB), 118, m, 5, Cape Cross (Ire)--Woodrising (GB), by Nomination. (10,500gns wlng '03 TATDEC; €20,000 yrl '04 TATIRE). O-Gary A Tanaka; B-J R Wills (GB); T-Roger L Attfield; \$15,000.

Margins: HF, 1HF, NK. Odds: 4.40, 3.30, 3.70.

Also Ran: Flawless Treasure, Palmilla, Jive, Final Refrain, Swingit, Eres Magica (Chi), Monte Crystal (Per). Scratches: Gulchic, Viva La Flag.

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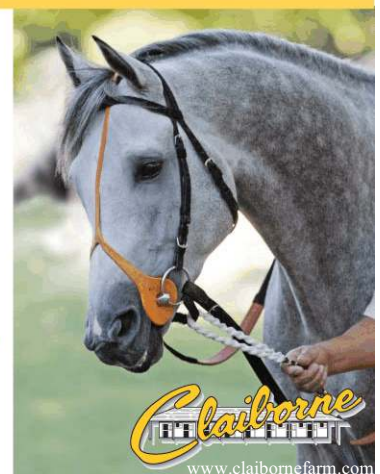
BIG BROWN WORKS AT PALM MEADOWS

IEAH Stable and Paul Pompa Jr.'s **Big Brown** (Boundary) gave every indication of being ready for a big effort after breezing five furlongs in :58 3/5 at Palm Meadows Training Center in Florida Thursday. In his final serious work ahead of the GI Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs May 3, the bay was accompanied by his regular rider Michelle Nevin. "He did exactly what we wanted him to do," said trainer Richard Dutrow Jr. "He did it the right way, looked real good, and did it in racehorse time, while well within himself. He went about his business in a smooth and ordinary way." Dutrow Jr. seemed unfazed by the quick move. "Right now, I'm not concerned in any way," said Dutrow Jr. "We needed to turn his head loose a little in the lane, because we've kept him covered up in his last couple of breezes. I told Michelle [Nevin] to let him out just a notch in the stretch, she did just that. The colt took the bit, and just carried her to the wire. With the race 10 days away, that was what we needed and wanted." Big Brown will be flown from his Florida base to Louisville, Kentucky, Apr. 28, and should arrive at Churchill Downs by 5:00 p.m. The big bay is expected to have an easy three-furlong breeze over Churchill's main track next Thursday. "I've never been in this kind of spot before, but I don't feel any pressure, not as long as my horse is going good," added Dutrow Jr. "I'm having fun. This is what I was born to do." *cont. p3*

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THE MRS. IS COMING TO TOWN

Longchamp will play host to **Mrs. Lindsay** (Theatrical {Ire}) on Sunday as Bettina Jenney's G1 Prix Vermeille and GI E. P. Taylor S. heroine is set to return in the €300,000 G1 Prix Ganay. Trainer Francois Rohaut yesterday warned that the four-year-old may need her return after the recent wet weather has held up her preparations in the south west corner of France. "She looks very well in her coat and seems in very good form, but I have to say she has not had the ideal preparation," he revealed. "We have had a lot of rain and the training grounds have sometimes been in very poor condition, so it has been difficult to work her. She has missed two pieces of work, so I'd say she's not going to be 100 percent, but it's a good race for her to return in." It is well-documented by now that the chestnut is a fifth-generation homebred from Jenney's Derry Meeting Farm and her success in the Vermeille mirrored the achievement 27 years earlier of her fourth dam Mrs. Penny, England 's champion two-year-old filly and co-champion three-year-old filly in England and Ireland. Now Mrs. Lindsay, who is named after Jenney's mother and who failed to sell as a yearling, is on the road to a potentially thrilling seasonal finale in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at this venue. "She is in good enough form to run a good race, but she is most definitely not there yet and the decision to keep her in training was due to the possibility of a tilt at the Arc," her conditioner continued. "Her program this year will be geared towards that race--after this will be the G2 Prix Corrida [at Saint-Cloud May 29] and [June 29] G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, before she has a summer break and returns for the G1 Prix Vermeille [at Longchamp Sept. 14]." Longchamp's ground conditions look likely to be testing on Sunday, but Rohaut is not overly worried. "She's won before on soft ground, so although she is best on a fast surface I'm not too concerned," he added. "She has done well at a mile and a quarter, even if she is best at a mile and a half, and ideally, we want a true-run race."--*Claude Beniada*

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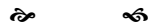
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GUINEAS PASSED OVER

Khalid Abdullah's G3 Craven S. scorer **Twice Over (GB)** (Observatory) will bypass next Saturday's G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket, connections announced yesterday. Following deliberations regarding the campaign of the Henry Cecil-trained three-year-old, who defeated Raven's Pass in last Thursday's Newmarket prep, the decision was made to aim at the June 7 G1 Epsom Derby. A statement issued by the owner-breeder's Racing Manager Teddy Grimthorpe read, "After consulting with Henry Cecil, Prince Khalid has decided that the colt will miss the 2000 Guineas and run in the [May 15] G2 Dante S. at York with a view to going to the Vodafone Derby. If, after the Dante, it was thought that the colt would not stay a mile and a half, then the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club would become an option. The decision was taken with the colt's long-term future in mind."





Triple Threats cont.

Cool Coal Man Readies for Derby...

Robert LaPenta's **Cool Coal Man** (Mineshaft) put in his final work for the GI Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs Thursday, negotiating a half-mile in :47.40 while in company. Ridden by Megan Smillie, the bay was partnered by stablemate Chris Got Even. The pair, who worked over a fast track following the renovation break, recorded internal splits of :11.60, :23.40, :35 and galloped out in 1:02.60. "I was very happy," confirmed trainer Nick Zito. "He was galloping along the right way. You always worry about the breeze before the Derby, but they were really comfortable." Julien Leparoux, who is scheduled to ride the colt in the May 3 Classic, was aboard maiden Chris Got Even for the work. "I just wanted Julien to see his horse, which is why I had him work the other horse" explained Zito. "Basically, I just wanted him to get alongside him and see what kind of horse he's got instead of being on top of him. Plus, Megan gets on him all the time and I didn't want to change anything." Zito plans to train the bay up to the Derby in much the same way that he trained the colt up to a victory in the GII Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 24. "He's not a big, giant horse, but he's perfectly built," said Zito. "I don't think many horses can boast his record as far as conditioning goes. Nobody has three, mile-and-an-eighth races, so I don't want to overdo it. I don't want to underdo it. I'd rather have him gallop all week into the Derby."

Bewitch S. cont. from p1

Communique closed to be third in last spring's 1 1/16-mile Gaily Gaily S. at Gulfstream before using the same tactics to be a good second to Sharp Susan in the nine-furlong GIII Herecomesthebride S. last March. Out of the money in four subsequent starts, the bay hit the board in her four most recent tries at the allowance level, including a 3/4-length score last time out *JB Faulconer* in a nine furlong off-the-turf test Apr. 4. "I just tried to save some ground and be patient with her like I did the other day going a mile and an eighth," said winning jockey Garrett Gomez, referring to Communique's victory at Keeneland on April 4.



JB Faulconer

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CHURCHILL DOWNS

Cool Coal Man (Mineshaft), 4f, :47.40, 2/35
Honest Pursuit (Storm Cat), 4f, •:47.00, 1/35

HOLLYWOOD

Yankee Bravo (Yankee Gentleman), 4f, :48.80, 18/36

KEENELAND

Wicked Style (Macho Uno), 5f (T), 1:04.60, 2/2

PALM MEADOWS

Big Brown (Boundary), 5f, :58.60, 1/1

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Friday, Keeneland, post time: 5:10 p.m.
FIFTH THIRD ELKHORN S.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up,
1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	French Vintage	Mecke	Serpe	12-1
2	Stream of Gold (Ire)	Rainbow Quest	McLaughlin	5-2
3	Embossed (Ire)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	O'Callaghan	20-1
4	Pellegrino (Brz)	Nugget Point (Ire)	Attfield	20-1
5	Dancing Forever	Rahy	McGaughey	5-1
6	True Cause	Storm Cat	bin Suroor	7-2
7	Brass Hat	Prized	Bradley	15-1
8	Transduction Gold	Formal Gold	Glenney	15-1
9	Bee Charmer (Ire)	Anabaa	Matz	15-1
10	Silverfoot	With Approval	Stewart	12-1
11	Drilling for Oil	Giant's Causeway	McPeck	8-1
12	Cougar Bay (Ire)	Daylami (Ire)	Tagg	10-1

Also Eligible

13 Lauro (Ger) Monsun (Ger) Wohler 15-1

Stream of Gold (Ire) has hit the board in five of six starts in the U.S. Passed late in last September's GI Turf Classic Invitational at Belmont Park, the gelding had to settle for second place behind turf champion English Channel and closed out the 2007 season with another runner-up finish behind Einstein in the GII William L. McKnight H. at Calder in December. The seven-year-old kicked off 2008 with a third in the 1 3/8-mile GI Gulfstream Park H. Feb. 23 and employed his customary closing finish to score in the GII Mac Diarmida H. Mar. 16. **Transduction Gold** showed his affinity for the Keeneland turf last October and stormed from off the pace to win the GIII Sycamore S. over this trip. The five-year-old failed to handle the wet turf at Monmouth Park during a soggy edition of the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Oct. 27 and trailed home a distant eighth.

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Friday, Sandown, Britain, post time: 1:50 p.m.

GORDON RICHARDS S.-G3, £47,000, 4yo/up,
10f 7ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	4	Ask (GB)	Sadler's Wells	Stoute
2	3	Hattan (Ire)	Halling	C Brittain
3	2	Championship Point (Ire)	Lomitas (GB)	Channon
4	6	Illustrious Blue (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Knight
5	1	Majoune Song (GB)	Singspiel (Ire)	Johnston
6	5	Many Volumes	Chester House	Cecil
7	7	Philatelist	Rahy	M Jarvis

All carry 126 pounds bar Ask and Hattan at 129.

Saturday, Sandown, Britain

SANDOWN MILE-G2, £80,000, 4yo/up, 1m 14ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	5	Babodana (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	J Quinn
2	7	Blythe Knight (Ire)	Selkirk	Gibbons
3	2	Major Cadeaux (GB)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Hughes
4	8	Medicine Path (GB)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Spencer
5	1	Metropolitan Man (GB)	Dr Fong	Fanning
6	6	Rob Roy	Lear Fan	Moore
7	4	Tell (GB)	Green Desert	McEvoy
8	3	Bahia Breeze (GB)	Mister Baileys (GB)	Fortune

All carry 126 pounds bar Bahia Breeze, 123.

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Saturday, Randwick, Australia, post time: 2:05 p.m.
INGLIS SIRES PRODUCE S.-G1, A\$450,000, 2yo, 1400mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	8	Sebring (Aus)	More Than Ready	Waterhouse	124
2	6	Von Costa De Hero (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Hayes	124
3	9	Dubai To Sydney (Aus)	Dubai Destination	Hawkes	124
4	4	Fury (Aus)	Fusaichi Pegasus	Moody	124
5	3	Rhyno Chaser (Aus)	Catcher In The Rye (Ire)	Moses	124
6	12	Baci Amore (Aus)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	D Payne	124
7	5	Duport (Aus)	Red Ransom	Cummings	124
8	10	Delta Girl (NZ)	General Nediym (Aus)	Rogerson	120
9	11	Love And Kisses (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Waller	120
10	1	Soho Secret (Aus)	Lucky Owners (NZ)	D Payne	120
11	2	Glowlamp (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	C Connors	120
12	7	Samantha Miss (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Lees	120

Suspended jockey Blake Shinn was forced to watch from the sidelines last Saturday as replacement Glen Boss produced an inspired ride to give trainer Gai Waterhouse her third Golden Slipper victory with **Sebring**. Now, the young hoop can't wait to be reunited with the Sebring and is convinced the colt has the ability to replicate Dance Hero's Triple Crown feat. Sebring somehow overcame missing the start by at least a length, winning the Slipper by a half-head from **Von Costa De Hero**. The pair are the only Slipper runners backing up here. "The way that Sebring hit the line showed that he has the ability to go on and win the Triple Crown," Shinn, 20, said. "He overcame plenty of obstacles to win" But trainer David Hayes believes Von Costa de Hero, who races in Sheikh Mohammed's colors, can turn the tables. "All my horses tend to improve having a run the Sydney way under the belt," he said. "He seems great at the moment but you won't definitely know until race day. I have a lot of respect for Sebring, but my bloke had a bad barrier and hadn't had a race for nearly six weeks and will benefit greatly from the run." Hayes said the colt would settle closer to the action that he did last week when a wide draw limited jockey Craig Williams's options. Von Costa De Hero is already a winner over the seven-furlong trip, having captured the G2 VRC Sires' Produce S. at Flemington Mar. 8.

Saturday, Randwick, Australia, post time: 4:10 p.m.
SYDNEY CITY LEXUS T J SMITH S.-G1, A\$500,000, 3yo/up, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	8	Takeover Target (Aus)	Celtic Swing (Ire)	Janiak	129
2	6	Apache Cat (Aus)	Lion Cavern	Eurell	129
3	5	Paratroopers (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Snowden	129
4	3	Reigning To Win (Aus)	King of Kings (Ire)	O'Shea	129
5	4	Magnus (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Moody	129
6	7	Cent Per Cent (Aus)	Secret Savings	Rogerson	119
7	1	Is Amazing (Aus)	Laranto (Aus)	Martin	123
8	2	Hurried Choice (Aus)	Choisir (Aus)	D Payne	119

The prospect of a an extremely heavy track diminishes the chances of eight-year-old **Takeover Target**, who was last seen out 16 weeks ago when he carried 135 and was beaten via disqualification in the G2 Villiers H. Jan. 5. On that occasion, a nose separated him from Honor in War and stewards favoured the latter in a protest. Takeover Target will head next to the KrisFlyer International Sprint in Singapore May 18, en route to England. "Takeover Target has never won on a heavy track. The only time he's been on it was in the (2006) Oakleigh Plate at Caulfield when he ran third," said trainer Joe Janiak. **Apache Cat** is, however, proven in the wet, and chases his third win at racing's highest level and his third consecutive win. Having scored a first-up G1 Lightning S. win Feb. 2 ahead of a decisive 1 3/4-length win in the G1 Australia S. Feb. 16, he is primed to clash with Takeover Target for the first time. Trainer Greg Eurell confirmed plans to go to Japan for the Centaur S. and Sprinters' S. later this year with the striking chestnut. **Magnus** is untested on ground this heavy but trainer Peter Moody is unconcerned. The entire was disappointing when beaten fourth in the G1 Galaxy H. Mar. 22 at Randwick. "I don't think the wet will worry him too much, but he'd have to win to warrant a trip to England," Moody said.

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DAVID JONES AUSTRALIAN DERBY-G1, A\$1,800,000,
 3yo, 2400mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	10	Dealer Principal (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	A Cummings
2	2	Littorio (Aus)	Bellotto	N Blackiston
3	13	Kingda Ka (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Waterhouse
4	9	Solo Flyer (Aus)	Belong to Me	A Cummings
5	17	Rios (NZ)	Hussonet	M Baker
6	16	Book Of Kells (Aus)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	JB Cummings
7	14	Largo Lad (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Hayes
8	11	Steel Giant (Aus)	Carnegie (Ire)	Worthington
9	15	Nom Du Jeu (NZ)	Montjeu (Ire)	Baker
10	1	Guillotine (NZ)	Montjeu (Ire)	D Payne
11	6	Red Ruler (NZ)	Viking Ruler (Aus)	Sargent
12	3	Prince De Galles (Aus)	Anabaa	Waller
13	7	Emperor (Aus)	Redoute's Choice (Aus)	Rogerson
14	8	My Sweet Cookie (Aus)	Hussonet	Moses
15	5	Mufasa (Aus)	Scenic (Ire)	Carey
16	4	Butwaittheresmore (NZ)	Lord of Warriors	Moroney
17	12	Zazabeau (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	JB Cummings

All carry 124 pounds.


The Australian Jockey Club's signature Doncaster-Derby meeting will be run on a heavy track with rain falling steadily across Sydney's eastern suburbs all week but the main contenders for the Derby have demonstrated this week at trackwork they are not averse to rain-affected going. Trainer Nigel Blackiston, formerly a long-time foreman for Bart Cummings, is poised to record his first Group 1 victory with VRC Derby runner-up **Littorio** and points out his sophomore has had the benefit of a spring racing campaign whereas many Sydney-based runners were sidelined during the E1 outbreak.

Australian Derby cont.

"I'm not over-confident because there are a lot of nice horses in the race, but he's had the extra experience and the extra preparation as well," Blackiston said. "That's definitely going to be in our favour. It will be a real, tough staying test on Saturday with the track and the weather." **Largo Lad** impressed trainer David Hayes with a powerful gallop on a waterlogged Kensington track Tuesday, the course proper having been closed after some 100mm of rain fell. Sporting blinkers, Largo Lad galloped in the rain over 1400 meters in 1:34.7 with his final 600 meters in :39.1 and his final furlong in :12.3. Largo Lad made his debut for the Hayes stable in last weekend's Rosehill Guineas when fourth to the Anthony Cummings-trained Dealer Principal. He was switched from trainer John Ledger to Hayes after his eighth to Weekend Hussler in the Randwick Guineas Mar. 29, having been purchased by Hayes' clients Scott and Matthew Perrin as a potential Melbourne Cup prospect. "It was the first time that we have put him under pressure in trackwork and he seemed to really hit the line well," Hayes reported. "The biggest test was whether he handled the soft ground. Looking at the way he has run, I think he does." Dealer Principal also galloped smartly on Tuesday over 1600 meters, clocking :36 for the final 600 meters and :12.8 for his final furlong.









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Saturday, Randwick, Australia, post time: 4:10 p.m.
EMIRATES DONCASTER H.-G1, A\$1,800,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	14	Mentality (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Hawkes	127
2	16	Sniper's Bullet (Aus)	Bite The Bullet (Aus)	Bartley	122
3	5	Casino Prince (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	A Cummings	120
4	12	German Chocolate (Aus)	Kenny's Best Pal (Aus)	Cave	120
5	10	Megatic (Aus)	Danetime (Ire)	Beckett	119
6	6	Eskimo Queen (NZ)	Shinko King (Ire)	Moroney	118
7	9	Marching (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Snowden	118
8	13	Valedictum (Aus)	Umatilla (NZ)	O'Brien	118
9	15	All Silent (Aus)	Belong to Me	Begg	117
10	11	Falaise (Aus)	Grand Lodge	Snowden	117
11	4	Friday Creek (Aus)	Commands (Aus)	Hayes	117
12	8	Just Mambo (Aus)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	O'Shea	117
13	22	Molotov (Aus)	Grand Lodge	Hayes	117
14	17	Forensics (Aus)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Snowden	116
15	2	Gallant Tess (Aus)	Galileo (Ire)	D Payne	116
16	1	Hot Danish (Aus)	Nothin' Leica Dane (Aus)	Bridge	116
17	21	Pinnacles (Aus)	Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)	Hore-Lacy	116
18	18	Theseo (Aus)	Danewin (Aus)	Waterhouse	116
19	19	Serious Speed (Aus)	Royal Academy	Macdonald	115
20	7	Triple Honour (NZ)	Honors List (Ire)	Waller	112
21	20	God's Hand (Aus)	Galileo (Ire)	JB Cummings	116
22	3	Fighting Fund (Aus) S	ecret Savings	Walter	116
23	23	Mr Ubiquitous (NZ)	Tale of the Cat	Waller	116

The fairer sex is dominating ante-post betting for this with **Forensics** (A\$5.50), **Hot Danish** (A\$6) and **Eskimo Queen** (A\$8.50) leading the market. Eskimo Queen proved her ability on rain-affected going snatching the G1 Coolmore Classic from Hot Danish at Rosehill last week, while trainer Peter Snowden elected to keep Forensics at home that day ahead of her Doncaster assignment. Trainer Les Bridge noted Hot Danish carried 126 when she led to the top of the straight last week and she drops to 115 here; he also maintained the idea that it was necessary to go out wide on a wet track was wrong. "I'm very happy my mare has drawn inside," Bridge said. "She's got the speed and she'll save a lot of ground in there. She's come out of her race on Saturday really well. I was disappointed she was beaten but she had all that weight and the ground was pretty heavy." Golden Slipper winner Forensics is unbeaten this preparation, scoring the G2 Light Fingers S. Mar. 1 and the G2 Golden Rose a fortnight later, both against her own age group; the sophomore then faced older distaffers to win the G1 Queen of the Turf April 5. She is poised to become the first three-year-old filly since Sunline (NZ) in 1999 to win the race.



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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	11	Viva Pataca (GB)	Marju (Ire)	Beadman
2	7	Matsurida Gogh (Jpn)	Sunday Silence	Ebina
3	10	Archipenko	Kingmambo	Shea
4	2	Quijano (Ger)	Acatenango (Ger)	Starke
5	6	Jackpot Delight (NZ)	Danasinga (Aus)	Mosse
6	3	Packing Winner (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Whyte
7	8	Helene Mascot (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	Coetzee
8	1	Sir Slick (NZ)	Volksraad (GB)	Herd
9	9	Balius (Ire)	Mujahid	Doleuze
10	12	Bullish Cash (NZ)	Howbaddouwantit	Prebble
11	4	Viva Macau (Fr)	Sendawar (Ire)	Nunes
12	5	Musical Way (Fr)	Gold Away (Ire)	Thomas

All carry 126, except Musical Way at 122.

CHAMPIONS MILE-G1, HK\$8,000,000, 3yo/up, 1600mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	7	Armada (NZ)	Towkay (Aus)	Whyte
2	4	Good Ba Ba	Lear Fan	Doleuze
3	5	Bullish Luck	Royal Academy	Mosse
4	10	Floral Pegasus (Aus)	Fusaichi Pegasus	Coetzee
5	9	Joyful Winner (Aus)	El Moxie	Beadman
6	6	Able One (NZ)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Saint-Martin
7	1	Joy and Fun (NZ)	Cullen (Aus)	Boss
8	2	Green Birdie (NZ)	Catbird (Aus)	Prebble
9	8	Meiner Segal (Jpn)	Zenno El Cid (Ire)	Ebina
10	3	Dao Dao (Aus)	Shinko Forest (Ire)	Purton

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HARLAN'S HOLIDAY COLT TOPS OBS FINALE

A colt by Harlan's Holiday brought top price of \$370,000 at yesterday's final session of the four-day Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's April Spring Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training in Ocala, Florida. The bay, named **Cruisinforabruisen**, is the first foal for the unraced Act So Noble (Wavering Monarch). Consigned by Another Episode Farm, agent, the juvenile worked a furlong in :10.1 at last Friday's under tack show. Padua Stables made the winning bid. Yesterday's top-priced filly was a daughter of freshman sire Friends Lake (A.P. Indy). From the consignment of Eisaman Equine, agent, the chestnut was purchased by trainer Linda Rice, agent, for \$300,000. The juvenile zipped a quarter in :21.1 last Friday. Through four days, OBS sold 772 two-year-olds for a gross of \$22,578,000. The average of \$29,246 rose 1.3 percent from a year ago, while the median increased 5.9 percent to \$18,000. For complete results visit www.obssales.com.

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<u>SESSION TOTALS</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	
Catalogued	344	349	
No. Offered	260	260	
No. Sold	189	175	
RNAs	71	85	
% RNA	27.3%	32.7%	
High Price	\$370,000	\$410,000	
Gross	\$5,107,400	\$5,700,900	
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1319	colt	Harlan's Holiday	Act So Noble	370,000
<i>B-Ronald G. McPeek & Shane Floyd (Ky)</i>				
Consigned by Another Episode Farm, Inc., Agent				
Purchased by Padua Stables				
1211	filly	Friends Lake	Trix City	300,000
<i>(\$22,000 yrl '07 KEESEP)</i>				
<i>B-Roasting Ear Ranch (Ky)</i>				
Consigned by Eisaman Equine, agent				
Purchased by Linda Rice, agent				
1114	colt	Roar of the Tiger	Successful Verdict	185,000
<i>B-Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds (Fl)</i>				
Consigned by Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds, Agent				
Purchased by Zayat Stables				
1276	colt	Cuvee	Wacissa	170,000
<i>(\$40,000 wnlg '06 KEENOV)</i>				
<i>B-Dixiana Stables (Ky)</i>				
Consigned by Wavertree Stables (C Dunne), Agent II				
Purchased by N Sallusto, agent for IEAH				

<u>CUMULATIVE</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Catalogued	1381	1399
No. Offered	1066	1080
No. Sold	772	786
RNAs	294	294
% RNA	27.6%	27.7%
High Price	\$400,000	\$410,000
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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

1:10p TVG 1st-KEE, Msw, \$50K, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f (AWT)
PRIDE (Lion Heart) worked an eighth of a mile in the bullet :10 ahead of the OBSFEB sale and was knocked down to Demi O'Byrne for \$475K, the co-third highest price. The chestnut blew out three furlongs from the gate in :35 Apr. 19, fastest of 34 moves at the distance, but has drawn the 12 hole for her debut. **Shadow of Storm (Storm Cat)** is a full sister to GSP Dark Cheetah and is closely related to GSWs Caress, Country Cat and Bernstein. brisnet.com pps

2:10p TVG 3rd-KEE, Msw, \$50K, 3yo, 7f (AWT)
 Helen K. Groves' **ENCANTO (Awesome Again)** shows a strong series of works for trainer Michael Matz, who wins with a surprisingly low two percent of his first time starters. The homebred is a half to Batique (Storm Cat), a three-time graded winner on the turf. **I'm So Lucky (Langfuhr)** was fifth to J Be K at Saratoga last August, but improved to be third in his lone appearance at this track Oct. 19. brisnet.com pps

3:10p TVG 5th-KEE, Msw, \$50K, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT)
 Robert S. Evans's **VALUE STREAM (A.P. Indy)** had some trouble at the start of her bow, but recovered to run fifth to \$3.2-million yearling Charming in a highly-rated race Apr. 10. **Venetian World (Giant's Causeway)**, a \$550K KEESEP yearling, is a granddaughter of champion Miss Alleged and has trained nicely over the synthetic surface. brisnet.com pps

3:25p HRTV/G 6th-AQU, Msw, \$49K, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m
QUIET NOW (Tiznow) was bet into 7-1 for her one-mile debut at Gulfstream Feb. 8, but was steadied on the backstretch and did little thereafter, finishing last of 10. The half-sister to Horse of the Year Saint Liam has trained forwardly since, indicating an improved effort may be in the offing. brisnet.com pps

4:10 TVG 7th-KEE, Msw, \$50K, 3yo, 7f (AWT)
ELDAAFER (A.P. Indy) gets his career started for Shadwell Stable and trainer Kiaran McLaughlin. The dark bay is the second foal to race out of Habibt (Tabasco Cat), the dual Grade I winner which was purchased by Shadwell for \$2.9 million out of the 2003 Keeneland November sale. **Anewday (Vindication)**, a \$1-million FTFEB juvenile, makes his Polytrack debut today. He is a half to MGISW Tout Charmant. brisnet.com pps

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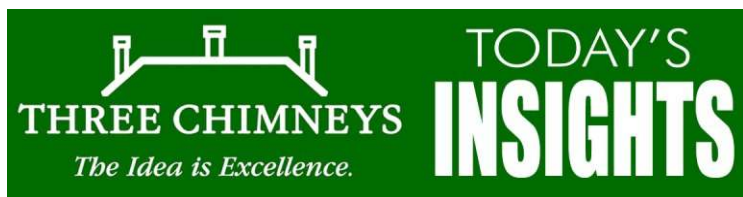
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4:40p 8th-KEE, Alw, \$54K, 3yo, f, a7f (AWT)
TVG **SPOKEN** ([Unbridled's Song](#)) was an even fifth in a 4 1/2-furlong maiden at Churchill last July 1, but exploded in her first visit to the Poly, graduating by 7 1/2 lengths going a mile at Arlington Aug. 3. The Claiborne/Dilschneider runner, out of a SP half-sister to Pulpit, makes her first start for trainer Al Stall Jr. **Baffled** ([Distorted Humor](#)), a 3/4-sister in blood to GISW Awesome Humor, won her lone Polytrack start at Lingfield last May. brisnet.com pps

6:23p 6th-HAW, Msw \$26K, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2ft
TVG **LAUD** ([Honour and Glory](#)) makes her debut for Steve and Diana Holland's S D Brilie LP. The homebred is a half-sister to connections' turf GSW Chic Dancer (Joyeux Danseur) and is out of a half-sister to MGISW Best Pal. She breezed six furlongs in a bullet 1:11 1/5 Apr. 14. brisnet.com pps

★ KEENELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-KEE, \$52,160, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, a7f (AWT),
 1:26 3/5, ft.

SECRET GETAWAY (c, 3, [Skip Away](#)--Chief's Honey, by Chief's Crown) was promoted to a somewhat controversial victory by the stewards, who decided to take down the number of favored Accredit (E Dubai). A debut second at Prairie Meadows July 4, the chestnut was a distant fifth in the Brian Barencheer Juvenile S. at Canterbury July 21, but took a Shakopee maiden by a length in his most recent start Aug. 5. Up to argue the pace inside the odds-on chalk, the two exchanged bumps in the stretch, causing Secret Get Away, a 4-1-1 chance, to stumble slightly. Accredit crossed the line a neck better than his rival, but was subsequently disqualified. The winner was a \$20,000 KEESEP yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-0, \$48,006. O-Sand & Cee Stables. B-Parrish Hill Farm (KY). T-Michael Stidham.

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4th-KEE, \$51,240, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1mT,
 1:35 2/5, fm.

XELA (c, 4, [Belong to Me](#)--Remediate, by Miswaki) got the big Pick Six carryover off to a flying start, causing a 21-1 boilover. Fifth in a pair of turf stakes last fall, the chesnut was seventh and fifth in two subsequent allowance tries over this grass course and was shelved off a ninth on the Churchill turf Nov. 22. Dangled in for a conditioned \$30,000 tag Apr. 9, he responded with a half-length victory in a six-furlong test over this Polytrack Apr. 9. Closest to a moderate early pace in the three path, Xela took command past the midstretch marker and outstayed Cobrador (El Prado {Ire}) for a half-length victory. Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-1, \$80,774. O-B Klatsky. B-Shining Armour Stable (KY). T-J Secor.

6th-KEE, \$49,090, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m,
 1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5, fm.

PARIS WINDS (IRE) (m, 5, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Lil's Jessy {Ire} {GSW-Eng}, by Kris {GB}), a 200,000gns TATOCT yearling, was third in the G2 Blandford S. in September 2006, but went missing for 15 months off a third in the Listed Garnet S. the next month. The chestnut endured a rough trip and was a half-length second in a Gulfstream turf allowance Jan. 9, but atoned for that defeat with a 1 1/2-length victory in Hallandale Mar. 16. Close up early, the 5-2 favorite raced inside and gave jockey Kent Desormeaux a few anxious moments when blocked for a run in the stretch. Underterred, she was angled back towards the rail and found the wire a head better than Quiet Jungle (Forest Wildcat). Lifetime Record: GSP-Ire, 7-3-1-2, \$95,386. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Swettenham Stud. B-Razza Pallorsi (IRE). T-W I Mott.

9th-KEE, \$50,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:24, ft.
PATHTOTHECROWN (f, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#)--Robins Reign, by Boston Harbor) ran into subsequent Eclipse Award and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner Indian Blessing in their respective debuts at Saratoga Aug. 30, but was certainly not disgraced, overcoming a sluggish start to finish fourth, beaten 9 3/4 lengths. Favored at 3-2 in her Polytrack and three-year-old bow, the chestnut settled in midfield and advanced leaving the half-mile pole. Ridden along four wide into the lane, she responded to strong riding from jockey Garrett Gomez and drove clear to a 2 1/2-length success. Grandma Martha (Gone West) was second best. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$34,355. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Click for the brisnet.com chart. O-Green Lantern Stables LLC & Robert Muir. B-Wayne G Lyster III, Robert Muir & Des Scott (KY). T-George R Arnold II.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, SATURDAY, APRIL 26:
 05-10 \$200,000 **Peter Pan-II, Bel, 3yo, 9f (200)**
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Keeneland Report cont.

★ "TDN Rising Star" ★

3rd-KEE, \$47,025, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f (AWT), :50, ft.
+ MR MISTOFFELES, c, 2, by Storm Cat

1st Dam: Country Romance (SW, \$157,230), by Saint Ballado

2nd Dam: Cuddles, by Mr. Prospector

3rd Dam: Stellarette, by Tentam

Mr Mistoffeles was bought by pinhookers Ricky Leppala, Carl Bowling and Jill Jillian for \$300,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale and the trio scored a nifty profit when the flashy dark bay colt made \$1.5 million after breezing an eighth of a mile in an effortless :10 1/5 ([video](#)) at the Fasig-Tipton Calder sale two months ago. Sent off the 4-5 chalk to validate his pricetag, Mr Mistoffeles jumped fastest and got his opening quarter mile in :21.48. He



Pat Lang photography

opened up after four furlongs in :43.89 and drew off under his own courage to score by 9 1/4 lengths. Chapel Run (Chapel Royal) ran on late for second. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,255. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) and the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Michael Tabor, Mrs John Magnier & Derrick Smith.
B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-AQU, \$53,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 2/5, fm.

THEM THERE EYES (f, 4, [Holy Bull](#)--[So Long Dearie](#), by [D'Accord](#)) exhausted her state-bred conditions with a head victory going a mile over this main track Nov. 2, then returned on seven days' rest to annex the grassy Scoot S. Fifth in the Nov. 18 Gaily Gaily S. on the turf, the homebred got a well-deserved rest and was an even fifth in her Apr. 6 comebacker in the Personal Girl S. Back to allowance company for this, the gray filly raced in the last third of the nine-horse field for the opening six panels, responded when set down for the drive and was up late to register a neck success over Beatrix Kiddo (Fr) (Victory Note), who in turn had a neck on Sally Bowles (SAf) (London News {SAf}). Lifetime Record: SW, 13-5-2-1, \$199,104.
O-Akindale Farm. B-John Hettinger (NY). T-Kathleen M Feron.

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February 26, 2008

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Hip #184 Storm Cat-Country Romance

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INSIDE PASSAGE (f, 4, [Tiznow](#)--[Magical Flash](#), by [Miswaki](#)) was third by 3/4 of a length in a nine-furlong allowance at Saratoga Aug. 5, but was less effective in a pair of starts going Belmont's one-turn mile, finishing fifth Sept. 9 and fourth Oct. 18. Making her first appearance since being transferred from trainer Wally Dollase, the bay was able to save ground from just off the pace, came out for the drive and edged past odds-on Better Again (Thunder Gulch) for a 3/4-length victory. The winner is a half to Oysters (Prized), MSP, \$224,050; Bright Magic (Prized), MSW, \$212,393; Hot War (In Excess {Ire}), SW, \$165,130; and Take the Ribbon (Chester House), GSW & GISP, \$372,102. Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-2, \$77,698.

O/B-Eurowest Bloodstock Services (KY). T-Barclay Tagg.

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★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

6th-PIM, \$28,000, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44, ft.
SARTO (c, 3, Dixie Union--La Sarto, by Cormorant) crossed the wire 4 1/2 lengths behind Money For Love (Not for Love), but was awarded the victory upon the disqualification of Money for Love (Not For Love). Sarto, a half-brother to Les Arcs (Arch), Co-Hwt. Older Horse-Eng at 5-7f, MG1SW-Eng, \$958,893; and White Mountain Boy (Meadowlake), MSW, \$167,470, turned in a solid debut run, finishing second over a muddy Laurel main track Apr. 4. Trying two turns for the first time, the \$200,000 KEESEP yearling was rated off the pace, but advanced around the far turn. Headed and passed by Money for Love in upper stretch, Sarto was bumped soundly and steadied leaving the three-sixteenths pole and was a clear second, only to be put up on further review. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$21,840. O/B-Elk Manor Farm (MD). T-Bruce C Jackson.

6th-ATL, \$27,000, Msw, 3yo/up,8.5fT, 1:44 3/5, fm.
+ DEAL MAKING (c, 3, Empire Maker--Recording {GSW, \$134,224}, by Danzig) was the lone first-time starter in a field of 11, but that did not deter those who sent her off the 3-1 second choice. Saving ground from off the pace, the homebred waited for room at the quarter pole, got through a wedge at the hedge and lasted for a neck victory over Grand Cinnabar (Grand Slam). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,200. O/B-George Strawbridge Jr (PA). T-H Graham Motion.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Churchill Files Suit against THG & FLHBPA:

Churchill Downs Incorporated, Calder Race Course and Churchill Downs Technology Initiatives Company filed suit against the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Group (THG), the Florida Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (FLHBPA) yesterday, according to a press release. The suit, which alleges violations under the Sherman Antitrust Act and is a result of the FLHBPA's refusal, acting in concert with the THG, to approve the distribution of Calder races to out-of-state off-track betting sites, including advance-deposit wagering (ADW) companies, was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky Thursday. "Florida horsemen are preventing horse racing enthusiasts from wagering on Calder races, which is unfortunate for the racetrack, horsemen, and most important, our customers," said Steve Sexton, executive vice president of Churchill Downs Incorporated, Calder's parent company. "Despite what we have accomplished for them, by nearly doubling the host fee rate paid to Florida Horsemen, the FLHBPA and the THG, are simply seeking even more money to the detriment of all other parties. We are filing suit to ensure those interests are protected."

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

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6th-KEE (Alw \$49K) Paris Winds (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) overcomes a bit of trouble to make it two straight.
9th-KEE (Msw \$50K) Pathtothecrown (Giant's Causeway) takes her Polytrack debut.
3rd-KEE (Msw \$47K) Mr Mistoffelees (Storm Cat) becomes a ☆ "TDN Rising Star" ☆.

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Ellis to Add Blinkers to Buzzards Bay:

In an effort to inject a bit more interest into **Buzzards Bay** (Marco Bay), trainer Ron Ellis intends to equip the six-year-old with a set of blinkers when he takes his spot in the GII Mervyn LeRoy H. at Hollywood Park Saturday afternoon. "I'm trying to shake him up because it seems he isn't trying," Ellis commented. "He moves to the head of the lane and doesn't go on with it. I hope this helps him focus." The 2005 GI Santa Anita Derby winner, Buzzards Bay was third in last year's LeRoy, but hasn't factored in two starts this season, fifth-place efforts in the Sunshine Millions Classic Jan. 26 and in the GII Oaklawn H. Apr. 5.

BC Tix Applications to be Mailed May 1:

Ticket applications for the 2008 Breeders' Cup World Championships will be mailed beginning May 1, it was announced. The 25th Breeders' Cup, to be held at Santa Anita (Oak Tree Racing Association), will take place Oct. 24 & 25. "The Breeders' Cup is always well received in Southern California and with the initial positive national response to last year's introduction of Championship Friday, we expect strong demand for Breeders' Cup 25," Breeders' Cup President and CEO Greg Avioli commented. "We have designed our ticket policy with a range of options to accommodate fans who want to ensure premium, priority seating for both days as well as those who might prefer to come for one." Completed ticket applications received at Santa Anita Park by June 9 will be included in a random draw for priority seating. Applications can be found at www.breederscup.com, www.santaanita.com, and www.oaktreeracing.com. Requests for ticket applications must include name, email and complete mailing address. Written inquiries will be accepted at the following address:

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Gorgeous Goose (Mongoose), 5f (T), 1:01.20, 3/4
Worldly (GB) (Selkirk), 6f (T), 1:17.20, 6/8

KEENELAND

Cosmonaut (Lemon Drop Kid), 5f (T), 1:03.20, 1/2
Dancing Forever (Rahy), 3f, •:35.00, 1/10
Hatta Fort (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}), 4f, :49.80, 19/27

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Porto Santo (Fr) (Kingsalsa), 4f, :48.00, 16/39

"First Saturday in May" Extended After Strong Debut:

"The First Saturday in May," which debuted in at least 20 cities around the country Apr. 18, will be carried over for at least one more week in six Truly Indie theatres, documentary filmmakers John and Brad Hennegan announced yesterday. "The response to the film has been overwhelming and we're thrilled that so many people have come out to see it," John Hennegan said. "We can only hope that they will continue to recommend it to others while it is still playing in theaters." The film--which profiles six trainers as they prepare for the 2006 Kentucky Derby, including Michael Matz, trainer of the ill-fated Barbaro--will be shown in New York (Cinema Village), Los Angeles (Sunset Laemmle), Boston (Kendall Square), Chicago (Century), Denver (Chez Artist), Philadelphia (Ritz at the Bourse) and San Diego (Hillcrest) through Thursday, May 1. It will also continue its Kentucky run in Lexington (Kentucky Theatre), Louisville (Stonybrook 20), and Florence (Florence Cinemas). "The First Saturday in May" is also scheduled to debut at the Saratoga Film Forum in Saratoga Springs, in Atlanta (Midtown Arts), Milwaukee (Downer), Seattle (Varsity), Santa Ana, California (South Coast Village), Muskegon, Michigan (Harbor Theatre) and Paducah, Kentucky (Maiden Alley Cinema). For an updated list of theaters and dates, visit www.thefirstsaturdayinmay.com.

Kentucky Teen Dies of Head Injury:

After complications stemming from a brain injury sustained during a fight with a school mate, 15-year-old Bobby Covert died Apr. 22 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky, according to the *Lexington Herald-Leader*. After the injury, the Honor roll student slipped into a coma for several weeks, and despite regaining consciousness briefly, he soon slipped back into coma and died shortly thereafter. A celebration of Bobby's life is scheduled for 11 a.m. May 10 at Crossroads Christian Church, 4128 Todds Road. He is survived by his parents, Bobby and Carmen Covert, and sister, Lauren Taylor Covert. In lieu of flowers, people can donate to the following charities: Crossroads XSM Student Ministries, 4128 Todds Road, 40509; God's Pantry, 1685 Jaggie Fox Way, 40511; Hospice of the Bluegrass, 2312 Alexandria Drive, 40504; Habitat for Humanity, 1260 Industry Road, 40505; Ubuntu Education Fund (www.ubuntufund.org/) or the charity of your choice in honor of Bobby Wayne Covert II.

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Yesterday's Results:

6th-HOL, \$63,658, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:43 4/5, ft.

G. I. BETTY (f, 4, One Man Army--Queen Betty, by River Flyer) won going against \$32,000 optional claiming company while trying a mile against Cal-breds at Santa Anita Oct. 3, before finishing a flat sixth in her turf debut when pitted against \$80,000 optional claiming company here Nov. 8. A close-up second in an allowance over the Polytrack at Santa Anita Mar. 9, the bay was sent off the 4-5 choice to record her first win of the season. Settled off the early pace in fifth, the filly swung out while looking for room in the stretch and was all out to post a 1 1/4-length score over Forest Miss (Forestry). Lifetime Record: 11-3-4-1, \$172,820. O/B-B Headley & Mercedes Stbl LLC (CA). T-B Headley.

5th-HOL, \$62,540, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 2/5, fm.

BEL AIR SIZZLE (f, 3, Unusual Heat--Bel Air Belle, by Runaway Groom) graduated on her fifth try going a sixteenth longer at Santa Anita Mar. 16. Back in the winner's circle next time out in a one-mile, state-bred allowance Mar. 27, the dark bay was a good third most recently in the GII Providencia S. at the Arcadia oval Apr. 5. Pounded down to 1-2 favoritism, the sophomore trailed the field early, swung four wide turning for home, took command midstretch and had enough in reserve to score by 2 3/4 lengths over Fire 'n Brimstone (Pulpit). Lifetime Record: GSP, 8-3-0-1, \$139,940. O/B-Madeline Auerbach, David Abrams & Vincenzo Loverso (CA). T-Barry Abrams.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN ARGENTINA:

Unbridled Trouble, m, 5, Unbridled's Song--Troubling, by Storm Cat. San Isidro, 4-23, Mdn, 1100m, 1:05.91. O-Stud Rubio B; B-WinStar Farm LLC; T-Enrique Sauro. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-1, P15,000. *\$385,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL; \$25,000 HRA '07 KEENOV.

IN BRITAIN:

Chocolate Caramel, g, 6, Storm Creek--Sandhill (Brz) (GSW-Brz), by Baynoun (Ire). Great Leighs, 4-24, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 3/4m (AWT). B-Sierra Thoroughbreds Ltd. *\$85,000 yrl '03 KEESEP. **1/2 to Tiger Motion (Grand Slam), SP-Jpn, \$387,550.

Bartercard, g, 7, Sir Cat--Pure Misk (GB), by Rainbow Quest. Southwell, 4-24, Hcp, 4yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Red Gate Venture LLC. *\$52,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

IN PERU:

Athor, c, 4, Our Emblem--Forty On Line (GB) (GSW, \$162,927), by Pharly (Fr). Hipodromo de Monterrico, 4-24, Cond, 1000m, :59.40. O-Stud Chevere; B-Taylor Made Farm; T-Jorge Luis Salas. Lifetime Record: 15 starts, 3 wins. **\$11,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

First-crop starters to watch: Friday, April 25

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

- LION HEART** (Tale of the Cat), Ashford, \$30K, 180/0/0
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Pride, \$475K OBS FEB 2yo, 3-1
- 1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Cameron Crazyes, \$125K OBS AUG yrl, 8-1
- OMEGA CODE** (Elusive Quality), Hartley, 96/0/0
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Symbology, \$60K FTK JUL yrl, 5-1
- TOCCET** (Awesome Again), Castleton Lyons, \$15K, 86/0/0
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Cookie Dough, \$6K FTK OCT yrl, 20-1

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Friday, April 25

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

- ESSENCE OF DUBAI** (Pulpit), Hartley, 119/13/0
8-HOL, Stk, 6fT, Red Sky Dubai, \$20K KEE SEP yrl
- HARLAN'S HOLIDAY** (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 169/35/5
3-KEE, Msw, 7f, +Little Rock, 12-1
- KAFWAIN** (Cherokee Run), Darley, \$10K, 179/20/4
3-KEE, Msw, 7f, +Radio Relay, \$100K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
- 1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Shemeansbidness, \$45K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- NAJHRAN** (Runaway Groom), Hopewell, \$8K, 129/16/0
8-HOL, Stk, 6fT, Sky Cape
- POSSE** (Silver Deputy), Vinery, \$10K, 154/33/7
8-HOL, Stk, 6fT, Possibi, \$30K OBS APR 2yo
- SKY MESA** (Pulpit), Three Chimneys, \$30K, 177/23/1
7-KEE, Msw, 7f, +Scariff Island, \$100K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
- SLIGOBAY (IRE)** (Sadler's Wells), Adena South, \$10K, 128/16/1
9-WO, Stk, 1 1/16m, Dylan's Choice, \$9K OBS JUN 2yo, 15-1



★ EUROPE ★

PASSAGE SET FOR REINTRODUCTION Khalid Abdullah's **Passage of Time (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) will kick off her four-year-old campaign in Newmarket's G3 Dahlia S. next Saturday. Trainer Henry Cecil announced the news on the 2006 G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud heroine, who was also third in the G1 Prix Vermeille at Longchamp and G1 Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf in October. "Passage of Time worked well on Wednesday morning and is on course for her scheduled first run of the year in the Dahlia S.," Cecil said.




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2.15 Wolverhampton, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo, 7f 32ydsT
SKADRAK (Forest Camp) missed his engagement at Newmarket's Craven meeting last week and is found a much weaker spot for his sophomore bow by trainer Brian Meehan. Iraj Parvizi's loftily rated maiden found only Mick Channon's best colt Atlantic Sport a short-head too strong on debut at Ascot in July and meets nothing of that calibre here.

3.00 Sandown, Cond, £10,500, 3yo, c/g, 1m 14ydsT
CHARM SCHOOL (GB) ([Dubai Destination](#)) could not have made a more impressive winning debut for Princess Haya of Jordan and John Gosden at Doncaster last month and steps up to the plate in this informative contest. He meets Rebecca Philipps's homebred **Manassas (Ire)** ([Cape Cross \(Ire\)](#)), a Brian Meehan-trained colt from the family of Monturani (Ire) who was seventh in Longchamp's G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere when last seen.

3.35 Sandown, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, f, 10f 7ydsT
ALBAROUCHE (GB) ([Sadler's Wells](#)) was the sensational €2-million topper at the 2006 Goffs Million Sale and makes her debut for owner Barbara Facchino and the Michael Jarvis stable. As a full-sister to the 2006 G1 Epsom Derby runner-up Dragon Dancer (GB) from one of the best families anywhere, anything on the track will be a bonus and she meets a serious rival in Lord Lloyd-Webber's **Dar Re Mi (GB)** ([Singspiel \(Ire\)](#)), a John Gosden-trained half to Diaghilev (Ire), later renamed River Dancer while in Hong Kong.



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Friday, Toulouse, post time: 2:50 p.m.
PRIX FBA AYMERI DE MAULEON-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Blue Exit	Pulpit	Rouget	123
2	4	Jafar Second (Fr)	Jafar (Spa)	Martin Sanchez	123
3	2	Dreamking	Kingmambo	Laffon-Parias	123
4	6	Royal God	Royal Academy	F Head	123
5	5	San Sicharia (Ire)	Daggers Drawn	Rouget	120
6	1	Maree Basse (Ire)	Royal Applause (GB)	Rouget	120
7	7	White Spire (Fr)	Septieme Ciel	Rohaut	120

Friday, Toulouse, post time: 3:20 p.m.
PRIX CARAVELLE - HARAS DES GRANGES-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	7	Counterclaim (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Pantall
2	2	Londonintherain (Ire)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Rohaut
3	6	Louve Orientale (GB)	Red Ransom	Tarrou
4	3	Satan's Circus	Gone West	Rouget
5	5	Himariya (Ire)	Marju (Ire)	Rouget
6	4	Prosopopee (Fr)	Verglas (Ire)	Couroyer
7	1	Isanous (Fr)	Zamindar	Roussel

All carry 123 pounds.

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX DE SURESNES-Listed, €55,000, Chantilly, 4-24, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:08.90, vsf.

1--**#VISION D'ETAT (FR), 128, c, 3, by Chichicastenango (Fr)**

1st Dam: Uberaba (Fr), by Garde Royale (Ire)

2nd Dam: Ile d'Amour (Fr), by Montevideo (Fr)

3rd Dam: Old England (Fr), by Wild Risk (Fr)

(€39,000 yrl '06 DEADEC). O-Jacques Detre & Mme Eric Libaud; B-Gaetan Gilles; T-Eric Libaud; J-Ioritz Mendizabal; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 4 wins, €71,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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*2--**Indian Daffodil (Ire), 128, c, 3, Hernando (Fr)--Danseuse Indienne (Ire), by Danehill. €11,000.**

3--**Astarix (Fr), 128, c, 3, Sagamix (Fr)--Abaya (Ger), by Surumu (Ger). €8,250.**

Margins: 3, HF, 4. Odds: 4.40, 1.50, 31.00.

Also Ran: Putney Bridge, Assafair (Fr), Americain, Magadan (Ire).



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Prix de Suresnes cont.

*Magadan finished second, but was disqualified.

Vision d'Etat followed up freshman victories at Les Sables d'Olonne and Fontainebleau with another score at Saint-Cloud on sophomore bow Mar. 8 and stretched his perfect record to four-for-four with another smooth passage in this first stakes go. Finding an ideal sit on the heels of the leaders in fourth, he delivered an impressive burst of acceleration to lead approaching the final furlong and was pushed out in the closing stages to comfortably register a career best. "This horse has always shown quality and I've been very patient with him because he gives his all every time and needs time between his races," trainer Eric Libaud commented. "Five to six weeks is perfect and that is exactly the interval between now and the [June 1] G1 Prix du Jockey-Club, so that is where we will go next."

PRIX SERVANNE-Listed, €52,000, Chantilly, 4-24, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:13.70, vsf.

1--**CALBUCO (FR), 126, c, 4, Kendor (Fr)--Pennegale (Ire), by Pennekamp.** (€39,000 yrl '05 DEAAUG).

O-Thierry Cheron & Serge Stempniak; B-Dunmore Stud Ltd; T-Bertrand Dutruel; J-William Mongil; €26,000. Lifetime Record: 16 starts, 10 wins, 4 places, €164,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Tiza (SAf), 132, g, 6, Goldkeeper--Mamushka (Saf), by Elliodor (Fr).** €10,400.

3--**Only Answer (GB), 122, f, 4, Green Desert--**

Occupandiste (Ire), by Kaldoun (Fr). €7,800.

Margins: NK, HF, SHD. Odds: 2.00, 3.50, 4.10.

Also Ran: *Derison, *Belliflore (Fr), Loda (Fr), Arc de Triomphe (Ger), Very Very Risky (Fr), Skagerrak, Jim de Fleur (Fr).

*Derison and Belliflore dead-heated for fourth.

Successful on stakes debut in the Listed Prix Cor de Chasse at Fontainebleau last time Mar. 31, Calbuco maintained his perfect black-type record with a brave front-running display in this. Out smartly to take control after the initial strides, he came under pressure as the pack closed after halfway and was ridden out in the closing stages to hold the late flurry of Tiza.

Chantilly, 2.50, Mdn, €22,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:02.90, vsf.

EBONY ROSE (f, 2, Polish Precedent--Highest Nobles

{Fr}, by Highest Honor {Fr}), off the chart at Maisons-Laffitte first time Apr. 7, stalked the front rank in fifth for most of this second go. Pushed along at halfway, the 29-2 outsider kept on for continued urging and swooped wide and late to deny Pink Candie (Fr) (Fath) by 3/4 lengths in the shades of the post. The winner was a €45,000 DEAAUG yearling. Lifetime Record:

2 starts, 1 win, 0 places, €11,000.

O-Growthwork & G Peramo; B-P Moen; T-Sandrine Tarrou.

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06-14 200 Jefferson Cup-II, **CD**, 9fT (200), **05-31**

06-21 600 Colonial Turf Cup-III, **Cnl**, 9.5fT (600), **05-28**

06-21 150 Cinema BC H.-III, **Hol**, 9fT (150), **06-11**

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AUSTRALASIA



SHAMARDAL COLT TOPS INAUGURAL INGLIS

SESSION II The newly introduced Session II of the Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale got off to an inauspicious start with pouring rain and a noticeably high pass-in rate, but the sale improved toward the end of the evening with trainer Anthony Cummings leading the charge. Cummings purchased 15 yearlings, primarily for Patinack Farm, helping to push the sale toward an average of A\$81,226 for 117 sold from 195 catalogued. Inglis, as agent, signed the ticket for the top-priced yearling, a A\$275,000 colt by Darley's prominent freshman sire Shamardal (Giant's Causeway) out of Salty Sal (Salt Lake), herself a half-sibling to G1SP Hong Kong-based Aint Here (Aus). Cummings signed for a Hussonet colt out of Straight Lake (Salt Lake), a half-sister to G1SP Moonflute (Aus) for A\$240,000. He was also purchaser of a A\$210,000 Al Maher (Aus) filly out of Coverage (Aus) (Covetous {Aus}) offered by Yarraman Park. The filly is a half-sister to SW Uber (Aus) and to SP Viva Caro (Aus). "It has been pleasing shopping here," Cummings said. "One had to search a little harder than in the first few days of the sale, but nevertheless there are good bodied, nice types and good buying at the money. It was difficult [but] I had a list and got through them and I am quite pleased with what we are taking home, and looking forward to getting them to the track sometime soon." Inglis managing director Mark Webster said he was uncertain if the Session II concept would become a permanent feature of the Sydney-based sale company's calendar. "The clear message to come out of today is if there were good horses on show, there was interest from trainers," Webster said. "The clearance rate was a little softer than I would have expected...there were 195 horses and that is too many to go into the Classic sale. Because of EI, we had 200 extra horses and we had to work out what to do with them. I have no problem selling extra horses off the back of Easter if we can maintain the quality. It did not go as well as I would have liked but nice horses sold well and A\$83,000 is still a lot of money, so it is not a bad result." Webster added that 41 horses sold for more than A\$100,000.

INGIS EASTER YEARLING SALE -- SESSION II THURSDAY'S TOP LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (A\$)
<u>562</u>	colt	Shamardal	Salty Sal	275,000
Consigned by Twin Palms Stud Purchased by William Inglis, agent				
<u>577</u>	colt	Hussonet	Straight Lake	240,000
Consigned by Robyn Wise, agent Purchased by Anthony Cummings Thoroughbreds				
<u>650</u>	filly	Al Maher (Aus)	Coverage (Aus)	210,000
Consigned by Yarraman Park Stud Purchased by Anthony Cummings Thoroughbreds				
<u>516</u>	filly	Lion Heart	Liefing	200,000
Consigned by Coolmore Stud, Jerry's Plains, agent Purchased by Anthony Cummings Thoroughbreds				
<u>564</u>	colt	Fastnet Rock (Aus)	Scavire (Aus)	200,000
Consigned by Lustre Lodge Purchased by P Perry				
<u>686</u>	filly	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Grieger Girl (Aus)	200,000
Consigned by Lyndhurst Stud Farm Purchased by G Ryan				

BRAMSHAW TO LARNEUK STUD Unraced three-year-old **Bramshaw (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago (Aus)--Cotehele House {NZ}, by My Swanee) will stand at Larneuk Stud in Victoria at a fee of A\$4,400. Bred by Wood Nook Farm's Bob Scarborough, Bramshaw is a half-sibling to stallions Commands (Aus) and Danewin (Aus). His second dam is the revered Eight Carat (GB). Scarborough elected to keep Cotehele House's last foal, a King Charlemagne colt who is now two, named Cornish King (Aus) and with trainer Peter Moody. Cotehele House retired in 2005 from the breeding shed. Bramshaw was sent to David Hayes but a barrier accident curtailed his racing career, according to a Larneuk Stud press release. Bramshaw is the fifth sire son in Australia of all-conquering Encosta de Lago (Aus); himself the sire of 50 stakes winners and 11 Group 1 winners.

DARLEY REFUTES BEADMAN STORY It was reported Wednesday in the South China *Morning Post* that top Southern Hemisphere jockey Darren Beadman, currently plying his trade in Hong Kong, had rejected an offer from Darley to return to Australia to ride first call for the operation. Darley Australia General Manager Olly Tait said yesterday that the reports were not true, and that Darley had never made such an offer. "Darren Beadman has not at any time been asked to return to Australia to ride for Darley," Tait said. "We wish him every success with his engagements in Hong Kong. At the present time, we have no plans to retain a jockey."



INGLIS YEARLING SALE SESSION II

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2008

SESSION TOTALS	2008
Catalogued	195
No. Offered	173
No. Sold	117
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Australasia cont.

STAR WAY DIES *Star Way* (GB) (Star Appeal--New Way, by Klairon), the sire of 18 Group 1 winners and 60 stakes winners, died at Windsor Park Stud last Friday. He was 31. Purchased by Windsor Park Stud's Nelson Schick as a four-year-old, he has been a resident at the stud for the past 27 years, starting in the breeding shed in 1981. "Star Way was a very special character and his accomplishments at stud have been a life-changing event for those of us here at Windsor Park," Schick said in a statement. "His contribution to the overall success of our operation cannot be adequately measured." Star Way was champion two-year-old sire with a first crop that produced five Group 1 winners, a feat that was later matched by Sadler's Wells. His fifth crop also yielded a further five Group 1 winners among 10 group-winning sophomores. Star Way has also excelled as a broodmare sire with his daughters producing 45 stakes winners, including Australia's current leading sire Encosta de Lago (Aus). Star Way's final crop, his 27th and sired at age 30, are due to be born this coming spring. He is the sire of 539 winners from 819 runners to date, for progeny earnings of A\$36-million. Among his leading earners is Sky Chase (NZ), a three-time Group 1 winner, and Shankhill Lass (NZ), winner of the VATC 1000 Guineas. He also sired Filante (NZ), a dual Group 1 winner.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-ATL, \$33,920, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38 2/5, fm.

M. E.'S SMILE (m, 5, *Ops Smile--Prospective Bet*, by *Allen's Prospect*) Lifetime Record: 40-5-5-9, \$98,240. O-Bella Cavello Stables LLC. B-Kennard Warfield Jr (MD). T-Crystal G Pickett.

8th-EVD, \$32,750, 4-23, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, ft.

ANYTHING BUT QUIET (f, 4, *Real Quiet--La Vita's Infinity*, by *Timeless Native*) Lifetime Record: SW, 12-3-1-4, \$126,251. O/B-Marcia J LaMarche (LA). T-Victor Arceneaux.

8th-PIM, \$30,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44 1/5, ft.

MIDNITE COMMUNION (c, 3, *Tiznow--Twopointfour*, by *Pentelicus*) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-3, \$48,400. O/B-Steven T Newby (MD). T-Dale Capuano. * 1/2 to Grace Bay (Waquoit), SW, \$168,374.

4th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

THUNDER AND BELLE (f, 4, *Thunderello--Crimson Belle*, by *Royal Academy*) Lifetime Record: 21-7-0-2, \$110,333. O-Maggi Moss. B-Peter Salmen Jr (KY). T-Thomas M Amoss.

7th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft. **SILVER NAT** (c, 4, *Autocracy--All for Julie*, by *All for Fun*) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$52,435. O-Valene Farms. B-Jo Ann M Jacob (LA). T-Richard R Scherer. * \$5,000 yrl '05 LOUOCT.

9th-EVD, \$27,656, 4-23, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03 3/5, ft.

HOWDY HO (c, 4, *Pulling Punches--Pale Speed {SW}*, by *Six Speed*) Lifetime Record: 10-5-0-0, \$67,720. O-Leighton H Dunham Jr. B-J Adcock & Neal McFadden (LA). T-Patrick Mouton.

7th-PIM, \$26,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1mT, 1:39 2/5, fm.

HUGO (c, 3, *Stormy Atlantic--Go Baby Go {Ire} {SP}*, by *Lion Cavern*) Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-0-1, \$38,270. O-Franklin G Smith Sr. B-Morgan's Ford Farm (VA). T-Hamilton A Smith. \$16,000 yrl '06 FTMOCT.

5th-PEN, \$24,200, 4-23, NW4L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38 2/5, ft.

BARBICAN (h, 5, *A.P. Indy--Colour Chart {MGSW-Fr, \$457,949}*, by *Mr. Prospector*) Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-1, \$113,455. O-Tea Party Stable Inc. B-Darley (KY). T-Todd M Beattie. * 1/2 to Equerry (St. Jovite), MGSW-Fr, G1SP-Eng, \$264,035; full to *Tempera*, Ch. 2yo Filly, GISW, \$670,240.

8th-PEN, \$22,000, 4-23, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

STORMY ECLIPSE (m, 5, *Pin Stripe--Stormy Sunshine*, by *Future Storm*) Lifetime Record: 15-3-4-1, \$46,913. O-Pinnacle Racing, Ltd. B-Dr Williwm J Solomon (PA). T-Amy Randolph. * \$5,500 HRA '07 MNTSPR.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Rexford, g, 3, *Golden Missile--Crystal Shard*, by Mr. Prospector. PIM, 4-24, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-G Watts Humphrey Jr & Louise I Humphrey (KY). * \$60,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to *Clear Destiny* (Deputy Minister), SW, \$193,667; 3/4 to *Perfect Cut* (A.P. Indy), SP, \$164,225.

Mud Sweat 'n Tears, f, 3, *Mud Route--Gypsy Soul*, by Mr. Greeley. HOL, 4-24, (C), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44. B-Desperado Stables, Inc. (CA).

Bernie, c, 4, *Bernstein--Paula's Day*, by Henbane. PIM, 4-24, 1mT, 1:39 1/5. B-Dr. Scott A McManus (PA). * \$25,000 yrl '05 FTMOCT.

SO. AMERICAN WINNER BY U.S. SIRE:

La Melindre (Arg), f, 3, *Salt Lake--La Comadrona* (Arg), by Mutakddim. San Isidro, Argentina, 4-23, Cond, 1100m, 1:05.25. Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-0. O-Stud S. de B.; B-Haras La Quebrada (Arg); T-Edmundo Rodriguez.

Kyuan (Arg), h, 5, *Mutakddim--Costanera Sur* (Arg), by Festin (Arg). San Isidro, Argentina, 4-23, Cond, 1400mT, 1:23.49. Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-0. O-Stud Alegria; B-Haras Arcangel (Arg); T-Enrique Clerc.



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ITALY, Milan, 2.30, 4-23, €19,800, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:08.60, hy.

CONNESA (IRE) (f, 4, [Invincible Spirit {Ire}](#)--Corbetta {Ire} {SW-Ity}, by Polar Facon) Lifetime Record: SP-Ity, 7-2-2-0, €32,997. O/B-Rangio Farm SRL; T-V Valiani.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Art Basel (Ire), c, 3, Clodovil (Ire)--Sticky Green (GB), by Lion Cavern. Milan, Italy, 4-23, Mdn, 3yo, 7 1/2fT. B-B Kennedy. *10,000gns wnlg '05 TATDEC; 18,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

Beauty Elegance (Fr), f, 3, Daliapour (Ire)--Fleet of Foot (GB), by Zamindar. Nancy, France, 4-24, Cond, 3yo, 9f 165ydsT. B-Lucky Racing Syndicate.

Hepburn Bell (Ire), f, 3, Intikhab--Borsalino, by Tremolino. Beverley, Britain, 4-24, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1m 100ydsT. B-Forenaghts Stud & D Cantillon. *€42,000 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; €70,000 yrl '06 GOFORB.

Great Charm (Ire), g, 3, Orpen--Briery (Ire), by Salse. Southwell, Britain, 4-24, Mdn, 3-4yo, 7f (AWT). B-G & Mrs Middlebrook.

All in the Red (Ire), g, 3, Redback (GB)--Light-Flight (Ire), by Brief Truce. Great Leighs, Britain, 4-24, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-John McEnery. *13,000gns yrl '06 DONSEP; 7,000gns 2yo '07 DONAPR.



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MS. TRICK OR TREAT, 7, Favorite Trick--Baby I'm Yours, by Lord at War (Arg)

Foal born Apr. 4, a filly by Macho Uno. Will be bred back to North Light (Ire). Owned by and boarded at Adena Springs. Accomplishments: SW, \$138,822.

ANZILLE, 22, Plugged Nickle--Allegretta (GB), by Lombard (Ger)

Foal born Apr. 7, a colt by Ghostzapper. Will be bred back to El Prado (Ire). Owned by and boarded at Adena Springs. Accomplishments: Dam of All Blade (Ger) (Sure Blade), SW (N)-Swi; All Pride (Platini {Ger}), SP-Ger; Anzillero (Ger) (Law Society), G1SW-Ger, \$165,141; Always Awesome (Awesome Again), SP, \$137,900.

Who's HOT?

by Jack
Werk

A PIVOTAL NICK IN THE MAKING!

It is rare when a stallion, even the best of stallions, sires three SWs during the same week, or even during the same month, for that matter. But, that is exactly what Cheveley Park Stud's Pivotal accomplished, not in a week or a month, but on the same day (4/12/08) when his First-Time SWs [Heaven Sent](#) (WNR: A), [Jazz Jam](#) (WNR: A), and [Il Warrd](#) (WNR: B+) won listed races in Great Britain. To make it even more unique, all of them won at the same distance (one mile) and on the all-weather surfaces. Not done yet, just four days later Pivotal's 3yo daughter [Infallible](#) (WNR: A++) won the G3 Nell Gwyn Stakes. Pivotal stands for 85,000 euros (about \$150,000) and is considered, rightfully so, one of Europe's top stallions. Pivotal was not alone in producing three SWs that Saturday. Daughters of Rahy were also responsible for three SWs — [Rutherienne](#) (WNR: A++), winner of the G2 Jenny Wiley Stakes at Keeneland, as well as previously mentioned Jazz Jam and Heaven Sent. While Rahy has done little as a sire of sires, he has become a broodmare sire extraordinaire. In 2008, he is tied for [second place with five SWs as a broodmare sire](#). To date, daughters of Rahy have produced 40 unrestricted SWs, including five G1 winners. As a complete outcross to Northern Dancer and Raise a Native, daughters of Rahy should be a major player in the population of high-level stakes performers for years to come, especially considering he's still active at stud.

The Pivotal/Rahy nick certainly looks like a mega-nick in the making. In addition to Jam Jazz and Heaven sent, G1 winner Megahertz is by Pivotal out of the Rahy mare Heavenly Ray. In fact, from four Pivotal foals of racing age out of Rahy mares, three of them are SWs! Even the most ardent detractor of the power of the nick would have difficulty ignoring this one. Considering the Pivotal/Rahy success to date, it will be most interesting to follow the two registered Pivotal/Rahy 2yo's this year — a colt named Count Paris (Pivotal--Dearly, by Rahy) and a filly named Funhouse (Pivotal--Fun and Games, by Rahy).

FOALING NEWS CONT.

BURNISH, 6, Meniffee--Burnished Bright, by Well Decorated

Foal born Mar. 5, a filly by Smart Strike. Owned by and boarded at Stone Farm. Accomplishments: GSW of \$178,009.

INSPIRING, 6, Golden Missile--Arches of Gold, by Strike Gold

Foal born Mar. 5, a colt by Maria's Mon. Will be bred back to Mr. Greeley. Owned by the Robert and Beverly Lewis Trust. Boarded at Denali Stud. Accomplishments: GSW of \$147,388.